

CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE

Worship and Destruction

BY CHAPLAIN JAMES D. REID OF THE USS BON HOMME RICHARD

There is an apparent incongruity about attending Divine Worship aboard a weapon of destruction such as an aircraft carrier. For many of us there seems to be a real contradiction in the situation where we are called upon to join in the Evening Prayer during an Ammo Unrep. To hear some people talk, they feel they are planning a robbery during a sermon!

The very tension this paradox produces makes prayer more necessary, not less; spiritual refueling more important, not something to be postponed until we become civilians. The very fact that we feel uncomfortable, guilty or even hypocritical makes it even more imperative to re-think our faith and ideals, not suspend thought.

Admittedly there is a difference in the mission of the church and the mission of the military. The church seeks to bring peace of God to men through the Word and the Sacraments. The military seeks to prevent armed hostilities from beginning by the threat of force, and to end such hostilities from beginning by the threat of force, and to end such hostilities by the use of force.

'Peace' as the statesman uses the word means the absence of war. In the language of Faith, 'Peace' refers to the tranquility of soul that comes when a man surrenders to the love of God in Christ. The two ways of using the same word are not necessarily contradictory, unless we allow ourselves to hate the enemy we are enjoined to pray for.

Perhaps our situation is like that portrayed in the novel 'Beau Geste.' The Sergeant-Major is talking to a Legionnaire whom he suspects is a fallen priest who has found his way to the Foreign Legion. The Legionnaire lies awake on the hot desert sand silently saying his Office. The Sergeant-Major asks: 'How can you associate prayer with killing?' The other replies, 'How can you not?'

We live in a world surrounded by greed, hatred and injustice. Our responsibilities as citizens at times lead us to tasks that are grim and unpleasant. It is in such circumstances that we most need the strength, the forgiveness and the peace of God!

CENTER LIBRARY LISTS NEW BOOKS

A complete list of new books is available in the library.

Fiction Lambert—Kites of War. Lofts—King's Pleasure. Weingarten—Loving Wife. Young—The Todd Dossier.

Non-Fiction Baker—Ernest Hemingway. Baker—The Practical Stylist. Bingham—The Courage to Change. Brooks—In the Mecca. Carrington—Great National Parks of the World. Gerzon—The Whole World is Watching. Homan—Child Sense. Marais—Soul of the Ape. Nicklaus—The Greatest Game of All. Weston—The Reach of Modern Art.

Mason—Harpoon in Eden. Rabie—A Man Apart.

Non-Fiction Carr—So Excellent a Fish. Holt—How Children Fall. Holt—How Children Learn. O'Neill—General Giap. Sampson—Anatomy of Europe. Taylor—Home Winemaker's Handbook. Teveth—The Tanks of Tamuz. Thayer—The War Business. Waldo—The Complete Round the World Meat Cookbook. Walkley—Retirement Housing in California.

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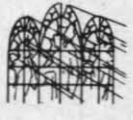
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DIVINE SERVICES

Protestant (All-Faith Chapel)—Morning Worship—9:45 a.m. Sunday School—8:30 a.m., Chapel Annexes 1, 2, 4 (Dorms 5, 6, 8) located opposite Center Restaurant.

Roman Catholic (All-Faith Chapel)—Holy Mass—7:30, and 11 a.m. Sunday.

Daily Mass—11:30 a.m. in Blessed Sacrament Chapel, Saturday, 8:30 a.m.

Confessions—7 to 8 p.m. Saturday, and 8 to 8:25 a.m. Sunday.

NWC Jewish Services (East Wing All-Faith Chapel)—8 p.m. every first and third Friday.

Sabbath School—10 a.m. to noon, every first and third Saturday.

Unitarian Fellowship—(Chapel Annex 95, 95 King Ave.)—Sundays, 7:30 p.m.

PROMOTIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

Employees are encouraged to apply for the positions listed below. Current applications (SF-171) or Standard Form 58 bringing your work history up-to-date should be forwarded as described below. The fact that positions are advertised here does not preclude the use of other means to fill these positions. Part of the ranking process of those rated as basically qualified will be a supervisory appraisal form that will be sent to the employees present and most recent previous supervisor. Selection shall be made without discrimination for any non-merit reason and without favoritism based on personal relationships or patronage.

The vacancies listed below are effective from 3 to 10 October 1969.

Supervisory General Supply Assistant, GS-2001-07, PD No. 625014, Code 2582—This is the Head, Control Branch, Aviation Supply Division, Supply Department. Responsibilities include inventory management; document preparation and distribution; preparation and coordination of Supply data processing function; determining the handling precedence of issue documents; and preparation of certain Supply management reports. Coordinates the work program of the Stock Control, Issue Control, Special Programs and Receipt Control Sections of the Control Branch, Aviation Supply Division. Supervising three clerical positions. Minimum Qualification Requirements: Three years of general experience in administrative, professional, investigative or other responsible work which has provided the applicant with a general knowledge of one or more aspects of the supply field. One year of specialized experience in one or in any combination of technical supply functions; or experience in related supply activities which provided the applicant with the required knowledges and abilities to perform at this level. Appropriate experience is defined in CSC Qualifications Handbook X-118, GS-2001 Series. Job Relevant Criteria: In addition to meeting the above minimum requirements, applicants will be ranked in accordance with the following supervisory criteria:

- a. Ability to motivate, train and work effectively with subordinates. b. Ability to accomplish work with set limits of cost and time. c. Ability to independently carry out assignments effectively. d. Ability to communicate effectively both orally and in writing. e. Ability to understand and further management goals. f. Ability to improve or design new work methods and procedures. Appropriate supervisory training will be provided to the selected candidate. File applications for the above with Carole Cadle, Bldg. 34, Rm. 26, X-71648.

Computer Programmer, Physicist or Mathematician, GS-7-12, PD No. 330057, Code 3023—Position is located in the Data Reduction Branch, Assessment Division, Code 3033. The incumbent will have responsibilities in analysis and computer programming for the testing of electronic countermeasures equipment and tactics. Minimum Qualifications: Basic requirement is a bachelor's degree in physics, mathematics, or one of the engineering disciplines. For GS-9 the applicant must have one year of experience in programming in Fortran. At GS-11 and 12 the applicant must have additional experience in computer programming or analysis, or a combination thereof. Relevant Criteria: The applicant must have proficiency in Fortran programming and the background for the understanding of range instrumentation and testing procedures, and the analysis of test data. Advancement Potential: Position has the potential to go to the GS-13 level. File applications with Pat Gaunt, Bldg. 34, Rm. 34, Phone 71314.

The Naval Weapons Center, China Lake, California 93555, announces Competitive Promotion Examinations for Leader, Laborer, Ann. No. NWC-IVa-4(69), issued 3 October 1969. File NAVEXOS-4155AB & Standard Form 172 or Standard Form 58 with Code 652. Foreman, Pipefitter, Ann. No. NWC-IVa-5(69) issued 3 October 1969. File NAVEXOS-4155AB & Standard Form 172 or Standard Form 58 with Code 652. Foreman, Rigger, Ann. No. NWC-IVa-6(69), issued 3 October 1969. File with Code 652. General Foreman I (Metal Working Shops), Ann. No. NWC-IVa-7(69), issued 3 October 1969. File with Code 652. General Foreman I (Carpenter), Ann. No. NWC-IVa-8(69), issued 3 October 1969. File with Code 652. General Foreman I (Metal Working Shops), Ann. No. NWC-IVa-9(69), issued 3 October 1969. File with Code 652. All Promotion Examinations close on 17 October 1969. See Announcement for further information. Non-Local General Foreman (Grounds) I, Public Works Center, Diego, California—Applications will be accepted from Career and Career-Conditional Employees of all Navy and Marine Corps Activities in the 11th Naval District until COB 8 October 1969. File application Card Forms 4115 and 4156, SW-171 (or 57) and Supplemental Experience Statement should be forwarded to: Consolidated Industrial Relations Office, Box 118, Naval Station, San Diego, California 92136. The Supplemental Experience

Ancient Tradition

A Sukka

A branch covered booth called a "sukka" was erected at the All Faith Chapel last Friday, under the supervision of Student Rabbi Robert Klensin. The "sukka" is a symbol of the ancient Jewish festival of Sukkot, the "Feast of Tabernacles" or "Booths." A holiday of harvest and thanksgiving, it is the most joyous of all the Jewish observances.

The holiday is called the Harvest because, according to the Biblical book of Deuteronomy, it was celebrated at the conclusion of the autumn harvest. The book of Exodus also describes it as the "Festival of Ingathering" of the fruits of the earth.

Many ancient symbols, evocative of the Biblical past of the Jewish people when their culture was both agricultural and nomadic, survive unchanged in this holiday. In keeping with the Biblical injunction, Jews build "sukkot" or booths outside their homes or synagogues. The roof of the "sukka" is covered with green boughs and decorated inside with the fruits of the harvest season.



The theme of the holiday is immediately recognizable since the American Thanksgiving holiday was deliberately patterned upon Sukkot by the Scripture-minded Pilgrims. It shares with Thanksgiving the predominant ideas of autumn harvesting and joyous gratitude to God for His bounty.

The building of Sukkot is associated with the liberation from Egypt and the long wandering of the Jewish people before they reached the Promised Land of Palestine. It is also thought to symbolize the fragility and transitory quality of life; to remind us that material things like "sukka" have little permanence.

The prevailing spirit of this holiday is one of rejoicing, in keeping with the Biblical commandment: "Thou shalt be altogether joyful." Sukkot, in Jewish tradition, is "the season of our rejoicing."

The Jewish Congregation would like to express their appreciation to Public Works for their help and co-operation.

statement may be obtained by writing CIRO and must be completed and forwarded with your application. (You also may call Ext. 1969.) Supervisory Appraisals are required on each basically eligible applicant for use in evaluating and ranking purposes. Please furnish ACCURATE names and addresses of your present and a recent former supervisor. Applicants who do not file in accordance with these instructions will be rated ineligible. Announcement No. A488-9, Issued 23 Sept., 1969. Closed 8 October, 1969. Policeman, GS-083-03, 04 or 85, PD No. 884015-PD No. 884016-PD No. 284011, Code 843—Duties will consist of enforcing laws as well as Center regulations; conduct initial investigations; make arrests; attend court when required; preserve, protect and gather evidence at crime scenes; prepare written reports, etc. Minimum Qualification Requirements: GS-3 level—one year of experience—GS-4 level—two years of experience—GS-5 level—three years of experience. Experience consists of: at the GS-3 level—Acceptable experience is that which clearly demonstrates that the candidate possesses a knowledge of general law enforcement methods and techniques that could be applied in performing police functions. This experience must have included protecting property, equipment or materials; and person-to-person relationships in enforcing various rules and regulations. At the GS-4 and GS-5 level—Acceptable experience is that which has given the candidate a broad knowledge of police operations, practices and techniques. The experience must have included making arrests, protecting life and property, maintaining law and order, investigating accidents, preventing crime and preserving the peace. Supply Clerk, GS-2005-04, PD No. 725638, Code 2575—The incumbent is responsible for maintaining files of advance copies of

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VX-5 Undeclared After Two Weeks Of Flag Football

VX-5 leads the Flag Football league after two weeks of action at Schoeffel Field. The league, which meets on Tuesday and Thursday night at 7:30, has played four games thus far.

In the second game, on Thursday, September 18, VX-5 whipped ACE-TV 28-6. Ron Lyons scored two touchdowns, and J.D. Shivers ran 70 yds. for the third VX-5 score in the second quarter. Skip Benton put the icing on the cake by scoring 6 points in the fourth quarter.

On Tuesday, September 23, VX-5 and the Wolves met in a contest which VX-5 won, 27-7. Again, Benton and Lyons getting away for a 50-yd TD. Terry Lee scored the only touchdown for the Wolves.

Ace-TV defeated NAF 12-0 Thursday, September 25 on touchdowns by Charlie Barkley and Rich Dominguez.

The standings after two weeks of play:

Table with 4 columns: Team, W, L, T. VX-5: 2, 0, 0. Ace TV: 1, 1, 1. Wolves: 1, 1, 1. NAF: 0, 2, 0.

Punt, Pass, Kick Event Slated For Sunday, Oct. 12

Boys between the ages of 8 to 13 who wish to participate in this year's Punt, Pass and Kick competition have until Friday, October 10, to register.

Each boy must be accompanied by one parent or legal guardian when they sign up at the Desert Motors Ford Agency, 1419 No. China Lake Blvd., in Ridgecrest.

All registrants will receive a free PP&K "Tips booklet" containing stories on famous football pro's and competition rules.

The event, now entering its ninth year, is co-sponsored by the Optimist Club of Ridgecrest-China Lake, and the Ford Motor Co., and the National Football League.

Local competition will be administered by the Optimist Club and held on the Burroughs High School football field October 12. Competition starts at 2 p.m. Gold, silver and bronze trophies will be awarded in each of the six age categories.

Burroughs High School football coaches will give a demonstration on how to handle the football prior to the competition. This is an opportunity for youngsters of the local area to not only compete against other boys of the same age, but to pick up some valuable tips on football. They will also be afforded the opportunity to see the varsity team at scrimmage, on October 8 at 5 p.m.

According to Bill Nicol, Intramural Director for the Naval Weapons Center, persons wishing to play in a handball tournament have until October 10 to sign up at the base gymnasium. Play will begin October 13 on the Center's handball courts.

Tryouts for IWV Swim Team Slated for Thursday, October 9

Tryouts for youngsters who would like to be on the Indian Wells Valley Swim Team have been scheduled for 3:30 p.m., Thursday, October 9, at the Naval Weapons Center pool.

Registration of former team members will be on the following Tuesday at the same time.

Prospective swimmers will be required to pass the following qualifying test with a relative degree of proficiency: age 8 and under, swim three widths using two different strokes; 9-10 years, six widths, three strokes; 11 or older, 12 widths using three strokes.

The standard competitive swimming strokes are backstroke, breaststroke, butterfly and freestyle (crawl).

All qualifying swimmers must pay a \$5 registration fee, or \$10 per family, which is used to help cover team administrative expenses. The swimmers will meet twice weekly for training at the NWC pool, and after 5 months must compete in a series of time trial races for replacement on the coming year's team.

Further information about team tryouts can be obtained from Carol Chatterton, head coach, at 446-6468.



CLUBHOUSE NEARING COMPLETION—Members of the Sierra Desert Gun Club are shown hard at work as their clubhouse nears completion. All that remains is to complete the roof, add doors and windows and complete the inside work. The building includes an office, kitchen, rest rooms, club room and firing room. The new building is located adjacent to the NWC Security Police pistol range.

More Information Outlined On Federal Wage System Policies

As the Rocketeer outlined previously in discussing the new Coordinated Federal Wage System, the agency assigned "lead agency" responsibility by the Civil Service Commission is responsible for accomplishing all tasks necessary for the establishment of wage schedules for designated local wage areas.

The Agency Wage Committee, for those surveys in which it participates, considers and makes recommendations to the lead agency on all optional matters and differences reported by the Local Wage Survey Committees and recommends wage schedules.

Under the new system, the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) will be relied upon to a greater extent than before. When the new system is in complete operation, BLS will develop the list of companies to be surveyed in accordance with specifications established by the lead agency, for industry inclusion, company size and job coverage. BLS will also have a more active involvement in the data collection phase of wage surveys so that contacts with private employers for wage information by Federal agencies will not be duplicated. Local Wage Survey Committee data collectors will make joint visits with BLS data collectors.

A nation-wide schedule of local wage surveys to be conducted during each fiscal year will be developed jointly by the Commission and each lead agency. Full scale surveys will be made every second year, with interim surveys in alternating years. Interim wage surveys differ from full scale surveys in that normally wage data is collected from only the same employers and on the same occupations as was used in the preceding full scale survey.

The new plan stipulates that one-half of the data collectors needed for the wage survey will be selected from among the local Federal employees nominated by the qualifying labor organization. The remaining data collectors will be selected from employees recommended by local activities.

A data collector selected

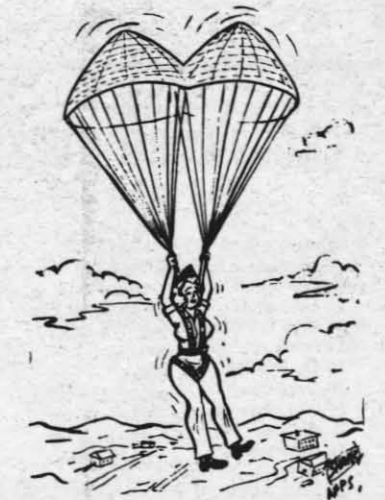


30 YEARS FEDERAL SERVICE—Gus Mead, right, who has spent 30 years in Federal Service, 25 at NWC, is shown receiving a 30-year pin from F. A. Chenault, Head, Engineering Department. The presentation doubled as a retirement ceremony for Mead, who was one of the early pioneers of the Naval Weapons Center.

Club Chaparral

Mike Weinberg, manager of the Club Chaparral, has announced that the Salt and Pepper will play tonight for members and guests. The entertainment will begin at 9 p.m.

Tomorrow night, also at 9 till 1:30 a.m., "Dorean Greg," of Country and Western fame, will entertain Club-goers. Weinberg invites all members and guests to come out and enjoy an evening of fun and dancing.



NEW BOY SCOUT—Don Moore, right, is shown signing up young David Boyd, 2nd from right, and Douglas Haymaker during School Night for Scouting, September 30, at Murray School. Frank Haymaker looks on. The program was held at all elementary schools in the Indian Wells Valley in conjunction with the Scout program.



China Lake Tennis Club Wins Match Against Edwards AFB 7-6

Members of the China Lake Tennis Club journeyed to Edwards AFB last Saturday to play a match which the locals won 7-6.

Ben Quiroz was the only player from China Lake to win a match in men's singles as he defeated Jim Glassmeyer 7-5, 6-4. He later teamed with Dick Mello to win in men's doubles, 5-7, 7-5, 6-2.

Other results in the men's singles: Jim Smith lost to John Sgheiga of Edwards, 6-2, 6-2; Ken Johnson of Edwards defeated Don Beresford, 6-3, 6-1; Rich Hertle defeated Dick Mello of China Lake, 6-1, 6-2; Ray Ferguson of Edwards beat Kirk Studstrup, 6-4, 0-6, 6-3; Rogers Evenly of Edwards downed Duncan Cleaves 6-3, 3-6, 7-5. In men's doubles, Sgheiga and Johnson of Edwards beat Smith and Beresford, 6-4, 6-2.

Ladies Make Difference

The ladies saved the day for China Lake however, as they didn't lose a match in singles play. Rita Wack beat Nancy Selbert in two sets, 6-4, 6-2, while Joan Leipnik won over Julia Everly 6-0, 6-0. Janie Cleaves beat Cindy Packard 6-0, 6-2. Mrs. Leipnik and Mrs. Cleaves teamed up to down Everly and Packard 6-0, 6-0 in doubles competition.

In mixed doubles, Jim Smith and Rita Wack formed a winning combination, defeating Nancy Selberg and Rich Hertle in a close contest, 7-5, 6-2.

The local tennis club has announced it will hold its annual fall tourney this weekend. Late entries in all events, singles, doubles and mixed doubles, will still be accepted as late as Saturday morning at 8 a.m. The tourney will be held at the Center courts. For further information, call Sherry Miller, 446-5448.

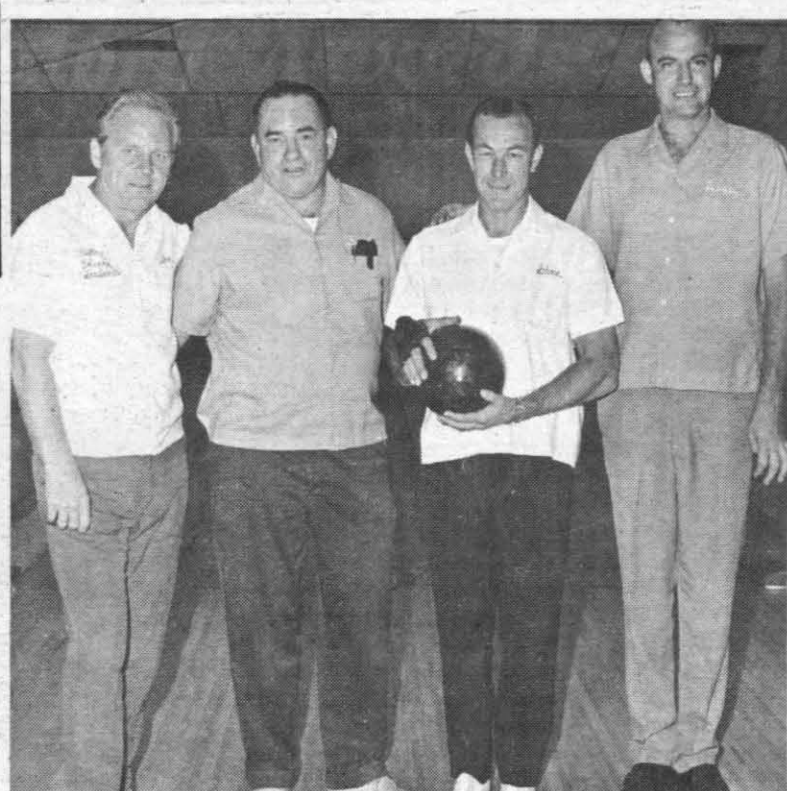
Ski School At NWC

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Boyerne Highlands Ski School

BEGINNER	9:30-12:10	10:15-12:15	SAT. 10:15-12:15	SUN. 10:15-12:15
ADV. BEG.	9:30-12:10	10:15-12:15	ALL LESSONS	ALL LESSONS
INTERMED.	1:30-4:15	1:30-4:15	10:15-12:15	10:15-12:15
ADVANCED	1:30-4:15	1:30-4:15	2/3 PM	2 PM

DRY LAND SKIING INSTRUCTOR—Greg Akin, who is a ski instructor at June Mountain, will conduct a class in dry land skiing for adults beginning October 14 and ending December 2. A similar class for youths will start on October 15 and culminate on November 19. Akin, who is certified by the Austrian and American Ski Association, and who holds a membership in the Professional Ski Instructors of America, will be assisted by his wife Margit, who has the same qualifications. For further information, contact the Youth Center, Ext. 72909. Following the class there will be a further class for more accomplished skiers and for those who have graduated from the beginners school.



BOWLERS VISIT CHINA LAKE—Glenn Allison, 2nd from right, is shown following a demonstration of trick-shot artistry and match game wizardry at the China Lake Bowl last Tuesday afternoon. Norman Belt, the tour arranger, I, and Fred Dalpiaz, 2nd from left, and Dean Ray, r, who are the manager and assistant manager of the Bowl, respectively, pose with the star of the Professional Bowlers Circuit. Dalpiaz reports that approximately 100 persons turned out to watch Allison bowl. In the match games he defeated Thad Brightwell and Earle Roby, the civilian challengers, but Bob "Big O" Owens defeated Allison, 201-189. Owens is stationed at NAF.

Bowling Leagues in Full Scale Battle As Team Standings Shuffle

Ace TV shot into first place in the Premier League by taking 16½ points Monday night, while last week's leader, Boyd's Auto slipped to third. Ridgecrest Bowl improved to second and Kirkpatricks moved up to fourth.

Bill Tenan was high man for the night in the single game department, rocking the backboards for a 257. Bryan Schultze put together a 246-200-193 for high series, a 639. Other games worth mentioning: George Barker, 220; Chuck Cutsinger, 219-213; Bill Mitchell, 218; Allen Smith, 214, and Dick Furstenberg, 216.

China Lake Navy tied with Boyd's Auto for high game, each hitting a 958, and the Navy boys got three games above 900 for a 2792 series. Standings will be found at the end of this column.

Midway League
NAF, the Chillers and the Playboys are tied for first place with a 15-5 record. The Mixers are a close second, having won 14 and lost 6. Holding on to third place are the Spoilers with a 13-7 record.

A. Burkhurst had high game and series last Tuesday night, hitting 256 and a 607. A. Winslow shot a nice 244, and Bob Owens a 235.

Other games of note: Bill Esch, 227; F. Wegley, 222, and R. Fisher, 216. The Gear Jammers shot a 3111 series.

Women's Wed. Night
The El Rancho Nogo's hit 938 to garner high game honors for the evening, while Ray's Appliances took high series with a 2645.

Marlene Green shot 197 on the way to a 508 series. Estella Paine also hit a 197.

Thursday Afternoons
In the Thursday Afternoon Trio League for women, Team No. 6 shot a 633 and The Ifn's a 1693 to lead the league in game and series categories.

Myrtle Snyder and Connie Evans each shot a 606, with handicap, to lead the individual scoring.

DESERT LEAGUE
The Planners shot a 978 scratch-1118 handicap game of the year and the Kern Trophy team hit a 2923 for high series for the night.

John Dowd had high series with a 589 and Bill Esch took the high game with a 232.

JUNIOR BANTAM LEAGUE
Buford Branson shot a 164-446 to win high game and series last Saturday while Christina Fowler hit a 150-391 to lead the girls.

Ernie Herbstreit shot a 180-432 the week before, and Kathy Burkhalter a 174-404. Young Bob Kuzmin, a low average bowler, hit a 165 enroute to a 408 series, raising his average quite a few pins in the process.

PREMIER LEAGUE STANDINGS		
	Won	Lost
Ace TV	53.5	26.5
R. C. Bowl	52	28
Boyd's Auto	51	29
Kirkpatrick's	44.5	35.5
C. L. Navy	42.5	37.5
AV Trophy	37.5	42.5
Starlite Room	35.5	44.5
Mercury Movers	31.5	48.5
Tom's Place	26	54
Team No. 10	26	54

According to Alex L. Iorillo, chairman of the annual Chuckwagon Breakfast of the Desert Empire-Fair by the IOW Lions Club, all preparations for the event have been completed. The breakfast will be held Saturday, October 11 from 6 a.m. until parade time at the K&R Center. All proceeds will be used to support youth activities in the local area. Tickets are \$1.25 for adults and 75 cents for children above the age of 6.

Motorcycle Club For Military Men Recently Formed

A motorcycle club for military men and their dependents, called the "Desert Dwellers," has been recently formed on the Center.

At a meeting held July 21, the new club adopted a set of governing by-laws and a constitution, and elected officers. The new officers are: R. A. Simmers, president; D. O. DeJarnett, vice president; L. T. Smith, secretary; S. M. Kelly, treasurer; H. E. Woytsek, road captain, and D. O. DeJarnett, the additional duties of safety chairman.

Military personnel, 18 years of age or older, and who own



a motorcycle which meets the specific standards of the club, are eligible to join. The motorcycle must be no smaller than 125cc and must be equipped with proper lighting, good brakes, and baffles.

The paid-up club members will vote on applications for membership, and upon acceptance, the new member must pay a \$5 initiation fee, unless the applicant is a child of a member. Yearly dues are \$10, or if paid monthly, \$1 per month.

For further information, those interested are asked to call one of the above officers. The meetings are held each Friday evening at 7 p.m., in one of the married men's homes.

Single Entries Needed for Golf Club Invitational

Gary Castor, tournament director for the China Lake Golf Club, has announced that he will accept entries for the 8th annual China Lake Invitational Golf Tournament as late as Sunday, October 5, at the Clubhouse.

Single entries are being accepted as there are golfers who have already entered the tournament looking for partners. This is a partner's best ball tourney, with a maximum of 36 strokes handicap, and a maximum spread of 8.

Castor also announced that all residents of the local area are invited to come out during the tourney and join the crowds that will be there to cheer on their favorites.

The Invitational will be held October 10, 11, and 12.

China Lake Golf Club members who wish to attend either the cocktail party Friday night or the dinner Saturday night, or both, are asked to contact Gary Castor, Ext. 72622, or 446-3335, or Ray Thurm, 446-3379.

Higher education has distinct advantages. For instance, you rarely see a misspelled picket sign on a college campus.

Three Receive Michelson Laboratory Awards Fellows Named In Management, Ordnance Science

Three gold keys and certificates signifying the presentation of Michelson Laboratory awards were presented to three Center employees on September 30 at a luncheon ceremony held at the Commissioned Officers' Mess.

Barbara Stott, a chemist, and Irv Witcosky, a General Engineer were named Fellows in Ordnance Science; and Ernest Cozzens, Head of the Weapons System Management Division of the Engineering Department was given the Fellow in Management.

Capt. M. R. Etheridge, NWC Commander, presented the award for Management, and Dr. T. S. Amlie, NWC Technical Director, presented the Ordnance Science Fellowships.

Barbara Stott
Barbara Anne Stott is a chemist in the Explosives Research Branch, Explosives and Pyrotechnics Division, of the Propulsion Development Department. She was awarded the Fellowship in Ordnance Science for her numerous outstanding exploratory development contributions to current and future capabilities of explosives with military applications within the Department of Defense.

Recently, she had also been honored by the Department of the Navy as a nominee for the Federal Women's Award.

In charge of an explosives formulations group, she has been the major originator and developer of new compositions for advanced warhead applications for air-launched and guided missile weapons systems, and has made numerous contributions to the literature.

Barbara holds a M.A. degree from Occidental College in Los Angeles and a B.A. degree from the University of California at Berkeley.

RAP Engineer

Irvin Fred Witcosky, a General Engineer in the Program Management and Integration Group of the Propulsion Development Department, was also awarded a Fellowship in Ordnance Science for his outstanding contributions to the successful development and introduction into the Fleet of the 5"/38 rocket-assisted projectile.

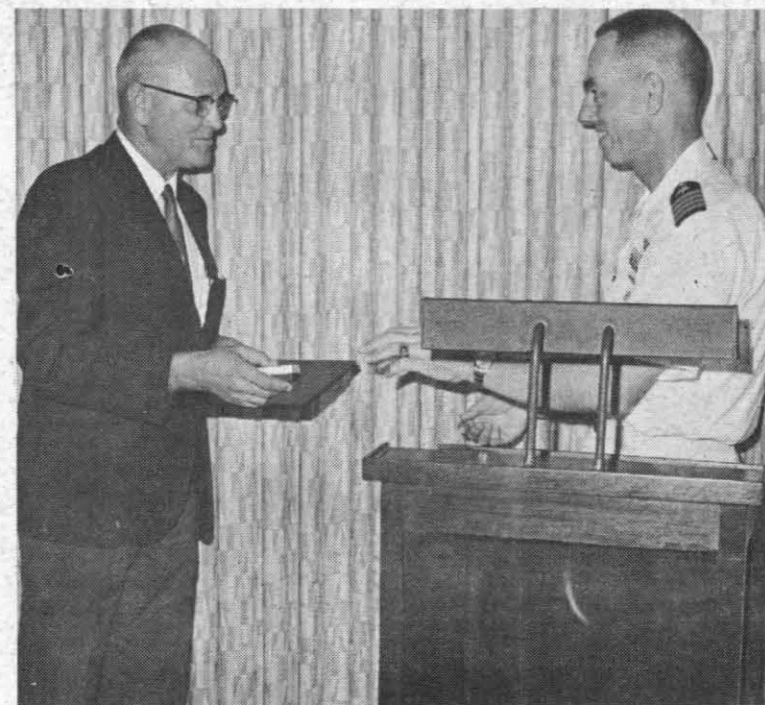
Irv came to the Naval Weapons Center in 1960 as a Junior Professional in Code 40, and was reassigned to Code 45 in 1962.

He holds a B.S. degree from CalPoly which he received in 1960 in Aeronautical Engineering. He has authored a number of technical publications and holds many performance awards.

Superior Manager

Ernest Glee Cozzens, Head, Weapons Systems Management Division, Engineering Department, was awarded the Fellow in Management for his superior management abilities in the direction of major programs relating to production support and Fleet introduction of complex weapons systems.

In his present position, Cozzens provides program man-



MANAGEMENT FELLOW—Ernest Cozzens, Head, Weapons Systems Management Division, Engineering Department, was tapped to receive the Fellow in Management Award in a ceremony held Tuesday at the Commissioned Officers' Mess. Capt. M. R. Etheridge, NWC Commander, presented in this category.



ORDNANCE FELLOW—Barbara Anne Stott, who was recently named by the Department of the Navy for the Federal Women's Award, accepts one of the Fellow awards that were presented by Dr. T. S. Amlie, NWC Technical Director. Barbara is a chemist in the Propulsion Development Department.



ANOTHER FELLOW—Two awards were presented in Ordnance Science at the recent Michelson Laboratory Awards ceremony. Irv Witcosky is shown above receiving his certificate from Dr. T. S. Amlie, NWC Technical Director. All recipients also received a Gold Key with an appropriate inscription.

agement direction on several complex weapons systems interfacing with NASC, Army, Air Force, and other Navy activities, including Sidewinder, Chaparral, Shrike, and several Free-Fall weapons programs.

Cozzens' outstanding leadership and strong job motivation are largely responsible for the success that has been achieved in the efficient, responsive management of major programs within the Engineering Department.

He holds a B.A. degree in Electrical Engineering which he received in 1951 from the University of Utah. Mr. Cozzens has spent most of his professional career within the Engineering Department at NWC as a project engineer, program manager, and division head.

Blue Cross Ins. Agent At Community Center Wednesday, Oct. 8

Chaplain Chief Warns Donors

The Chief of Chaplains reports that individual Vietnamese promoters and individual Americans in Vietnam are writing to Officers' Wives Clubs, chaplains and civic organizations in the U. S. to solicit funds for orphanages, schools and other worthy causes in Vietnam.

The first concern, he states, is that some of the individuals may be frauds, and money sent may never be used for the purpose for which it was given.

The second concern is that some of the projects for which funds are solicited are already receiving large sums of money from chaplain and civic action sources.

He advised that to provide proper distribution and management of contributions, funds should be sent to III MAF "Chaplains Civic Action Account," Force Chaplain, III MAF, FPO, San Francisco 96-602.

Tiemann Reports on Progress In Search of 'Railroad' Worm

Amidst political upheavals, terrorist activities, kidnappings and bombings, the search for the intrepid railroad worm in the jungles of Brazil around Sao Paulo by Darwin Tiemann, an engineer of the Optical Instrumentation Branch, Instrument Operations Division at NWC, goes on.

According to letters received recently by Dusty Newman, a co-worker of Tiemann's, life in the South American country goes on as if nothing has happened, although the President of Brazil has recently been ousted, and there have been several notable kidnappings, that of the American ambassador being the most prominent.

Tiemann, who is in Brazil working under a grant from the National Geographic Society, has been held back by high prices for certain needed items, but reports he has met with success in finding species of the worm he seeks.

In a letter dated September 1, Tiemann reports finding two of the elusive "Railroad Worms," one of which was sent to Bethesda, Maryland for microscopy examination, and the other which he has kept.

He reports noticing some strange characteristics in the South American worm as regards its lighting. He states "They spook with too much light and light up when they please. Each one seems to have its own personality. Some times only the red light is on and at other times few or all of the running lights will glow, but not for long."

He goes on to say, "One had a dark spot where there should have been a light, as if one bulb was burned out."

Budget Tight
Tiemann has had to watch his budget as he has found prices to be nearly double U.S. tariffs for some of the necessities.

For instance, he had planned to rent a car for his stay but found charges to be twice as high in Brazil, so he gets

around by taxis (relatively inexpensive) and busses.

Some of the brighter spots of buying on the Brazilian market, he reports, is the purchase of anti-biotics, which can be had sans prescription and for approximately one-fifth the cost of U.S. drugs; and the price of food, which he states is quite reasonable.

Tiemann has found the scientific people in Sao Paulo to be very cooperative. At the museum in that city, two young ladies have been extremely helpful; one who is studying luminous click beetle larvae, and another who is studying the nematodes that live in the intestines of millipedes and who is supposed to be the best field worker at the museum.

In his most recent letter (September 17) he stated that some students from New Mexico who work the tracking station where he is staying, were preparing to accompany him into the jungle with firecrackers with the intention of scaring the railroad worm into lighting up.

Tiemann's address, for those who wish to correspond with him, is: Darwin L. Tiemann, Tracking Station 008, Am. Con. Gen. (SP), APO New York, N.Y. 09676.

As mail delivery is considerably slow in the remote area, where he is located, Tiemann suggests that mail be sent via air mail.



DARWIN L. TIEMANN

BPW Holds Thirteenth Annual Fall Conference Here

Ladies Given Key to City

The Tri-Valley District Business and Professional Women's Club (BPWC) held their 13th Fall Conference at the Commissioned Officer's Club last week-end September 27 and 28.

Capt. J.K. McConeghy, Jr., NWC Executive Officer, welcomed the ladies to the Center and Mayor Kenneth M. Smith welcomed the guests on behalf of the City of Ridgecrest and presented Betty Jackson, Tri-Valley District President, with a key to the city.

Community Roundtable

At the luncheon program on Saturday, a panel discussed the "Community Roundtable" project that has been launched by the National Federation of BPW Clubs.

The "Community Roundtable" is an organization of all of the women's clubs in a community for the purpose of working together on civic and legislative projects.

Many areas of need were suggested, such as child care, consumer protection, financing in the community, and local and state government.

Music for the Saturday evening banquet was provided by Paul Nelson and the "Cookie-Man". Using the format of the "To Tell The Truth" television program, a biography was given of each club president and the state representative.

On Sunday morning group breakfasts were held for the club presidents, the Past-Presidents' Council, and members followed by a devotional service conducted by Jo Juras, Past President of Tri-Valley District.

During Sunday's business session, Alice Lafleur, China Lake Individual Personal Development Chairman and Instructor, announced that beginning in October classes will be held on the third Sunday of each month at the Station Restaurant, starting with lunch at 11:30 a.m.

Members of all BPW Clubs in the area are eligible to attend these classes. The registration fee is \$5, and the classes will run for eight months, with attendance at six classes required for credit.

Golden Anniversary Year
BPW Clubs throughout the nation have been celebrating 1969 as their Golden Anniversary Year and, in further commemoration, this year's National Convention was held in St. Louis, Missouri, site of the first meeting to organize the National Federation of Business and Professional Women's Clubs.

Next Convention in Hawaii
Next year the National Convention will be held in Hawaii during July, and the California BPW Clubs will be joint hostesses for the convention.

Marjorie Reed of China Lake, Immediate Past President of the China Lake BPW, and who served as Conference Chairman of the meeting this past week-end, is currently serving as Nominating Chairman of the Tri-Valley District for the election of National Federation BPW officers at the National Convention in Hawaii next year.



BPW DISTRICT CONFERENCE—BPW officials took time out from their conference for a photo with welcoming officials, Capt. J. K. McConeghy, Jr., NWC Executive Officer (l), and Kenneth M. Smith, Ridgecrest Mayor (r.) BPW officers are (l-r): Irene Branham, China Lake BPW president; Betty Jackson, Tri-Valley District president; and Jan Edwards, Kern Desert BPW president. China Lake and Kern Desert (Ridgecrest) BPW Clubs co-hosted the meeting held at the Center.

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Health Claims Explained To Personnel Rep.

Recently, the Employee Management Relations Division of the Personnel Department, in response to a number of inquiries from employees concerning the disposition of their health insurance claims, sent a representative to confer with the Aetna Insurance Company at their offices in San Francisco.

It was Aetna's position that, in an effort to respond to Civil Service Commission pressures requiring them to maintain coverage at reasonable rates, they were now examining claims in the general area of physical examinations with more scrutiny. The insurance company states, for example, that an individual's policy may not necessarily cover all of the tests he undergoes as the result of exhibiting a particular symptom. Claims examiners will review each test performed to determine if, considering the symptom or symptoms exhibited, it was reasonable and necessary.

Only those which meet this criteria will be compensated for.

In making this determination, claims examiners will use guidelines established by the Company's medical advisors and reports and information supplied by the individual medical personnel involved.

If an employee feels that his claim was inappropriately handled, he may, under certain circumstances (and after attempting himself to reconcile the problem with the insurance company), obtain relief through the Civil Service Commission.

Corona Scientists Assist With Community Pest Control Problem

"Bodega Bay" black blood-sucking gnats were not so bothersome to local residents this year, thanks to the pesticide work sponsored by several community groups including the Naval Weapons Center Corona Laboratories. A special abatement district has been spraying sands in the Santa Ana river this summer in an effective emergency control plan.

These vicious little pests breed in the damp sand bars in the river and produce up to 83 million offspring per generation. After hatching, the adults congregate in "resting" areas in the dry sands where they burrow beneath the surface during the heat of the day. This proves their downfall.

A non-persistent Malithion spray has been applied aerially at weekly intervals since mid-June over these resting areas. When the adults emerge in the evening they contact the spray and die.

Annoyance by the gnat pests has increased markedly since September 12th. This year's program was terminated on that date because of two impeding factors; the presence of cool weather does not drive the adults below the surface during the day; and the high vegetation now in the river bottom does not permit the aerial spray to reach the sand.

The cooperating group is composed of the Cities of Norco and Riverside, the Naval Weapons Center, and the Northwest Mosquito Abatement headed by Robert D. Sjogren who did the aerial spraying. The control area covers the river bed from Riverside to Prado Park. This includes the treatment plant and outfall which serves the Naval Weapons Center. The Fleet Missile Systems Analysis and Evaluation Group, and the California Rehabilitation Center.

The gnats have a two-mile migratory limit. Three strains have been identified. The local one is called in intermediate strain. There is also a coastal strain found mostly around Newport; and a desert strain at the Salton Sea.

It is hoped that research will determine permanent control measures which can be followed in the future.

SECNAV Will Visit China Lake October 4

The Honorable John Hubbard Chafee, Secretary of the Navy, will visit the Naval Weapons Center Saturday, October 4, on his way to the 16th annual Naval Reserve Association Convention in San Diego, where he is scheduled to be the keynote speaker.

Secretary Chafee will arrive at the Naval Air Facility at 8 a.m. where he will be greeted by Capt. M. R. Etheridge, NWC Commander, and taken directly to the Management Information Center in Michelson Laboratory.

The Secretary will be shown demonstrations of programs and projects that are being carried out on the Center and taken on a tour of the housing area and base facilities.

Secretary Chafee and his party will greet the community at a no-host luncheon at the Commissioned Officers' Mess, following which he will depart for San Diego.

Secretary Chafee is a native of Providence, Rhode Island, and a graduate of Deerfield Academy, Deerfield, Massachusetts. He graduated from Yale University in 1947, and entered Harvard Law School.

Former Marine

Secretary Chafee is a former Marine Corps veteran and saw combat on Guadalcanal. He entered Officer Candidate School in 1943, and received his commission in June, 1944.

After being discharged in 1945, he was recalled to duty in March 1951 following the outbreak of the Korean War. He was discharged in 1953; after which he returned to Rhode Island and entered private practice in that state.

Rhode Island Governor

He was elected to the Rhode Island General Assembly as a member of the House of Representatives in 1956 and served in that capacity until 1962, when he became the Republican candidate and won the seat of Governor of Rhode Island.

He served three terms as governor, after having been reelected in both 1864 and 1866.

Secretary Chafee has received honorary degrees from Brown University, Providence College, and the University of Rhode Island. He is also on the Committee to Visit at the John Fitzgerald Kennedy School of Government at Harvard.

The Secretary was appointed to his present position by President Nixon and saw sworn in on January 31, 1969.

He is married to the former Virginia Coates of Bayville, New York.

PWOC Bake Sale

The Protestant Women of the Center Chapel will hold a bake sale and bazaar at Bennington Plaza on Friday, October 10, from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m.

Featured items for sale will include homemade breads, cakes, pies and cookies, as well as handmade articles.

Proceeds from the bake sale will be used for contributions to missions located in Peru, India, and Africa, as well as the United States.

Safety Council Holds Meeting At Training Center

The Indian Wells Valley Community Safety Council, headed by Gene Richardson of Ridgecrest, held its seventh meeting Monday, September 22 at the Driver Training Center on the Naval Weapons Center.

Up to this time the Council has been getting inputs in the local area, such as: Mountain Rescue Group; Coast Guard Auxiliary; DMV road engineers, and other factions. It is the intent of the Safety Council to take the information given them as to the cause of accidents, or of existing safety problems, and disseminate this information to the public at large.

The Council has invited various guests to their meetings including a Burroughs High School representative; a member of the Enlisted Men's Safe Driving Council; a representative of KLOA; and with safety in the Indian Wells Valley.

The Council now feels that it is reaching the point where it will begin to investigate specific safety problems with an ultimate view toward either eliminating them or bettering the conditions surrounding the problem areas.

Members of the Council, in addition to Richardson, are: Lloyd F. Souders, of the Department of Motor Vehicles in Ridgecrest, who is the secretary; B. F. Sword, of the NWC Research Department, Program Chairman; Jim McGlothlin, Head of Community Relations, and Jim Wheeler, owner of the Western Auto retail store in Ridgecrest.

come official when signed and dated. Retired members who do not have access to a collector may call Mr. Mason at Ridgecrest 375-2846.

Persons interested in joining the Benefit Association may call Mason for applications and further information.

Plans for CFC In Final Stages Of Preparation

Final preparations are being made for the 1970 Combined Federal Campaign, scheduled October 15 to November 15 at NWC. William R. Hattabaugh, campaign chairman, has called a meeting of department-level CFC keymen for 10 a.m. Tuesday (Oct. 7) to preview materials and finalize campaign strategy.

As in previous years, the campaign at NWC will support the Indian Wells Valley United Fund. In addition it contributes to eight national health organizations and four international service agencies.

New on the list of health organizations this year is the Society for the Prevention of Blindness. This group provides glaucoma clinics, sets up community projects for the vision screening of preschool children, promotes eye-safety programs in industry and schools, sponsors eye research, and promotes the general education of the public on vision problems.



LT. (JG) DAVID L. TOMLINSON—arrived this month from VT-27, based at NAS, Corpus Christi, Texas. Prior to that he was a student pilot with VT-5 at NAS, Saufley Field, Pensacola, Florida. A pilot at the Naval Air Facility, Lt. Tomlinson also serves as the NAF Legal Officer. He received his commission in June 1968. In addition to his Naval flight training, he has a B.S. in electrical engineering from Oklahoma State University at Stillwater, Oklahoma. While at Oklahoma University, Tomlinson was the State AAU Champion Wrestler. His hobbies include mountain climbing, scuba diving and hiking. He and his wife, Patricia Gay reside at 204-B Forrestal on the Center.

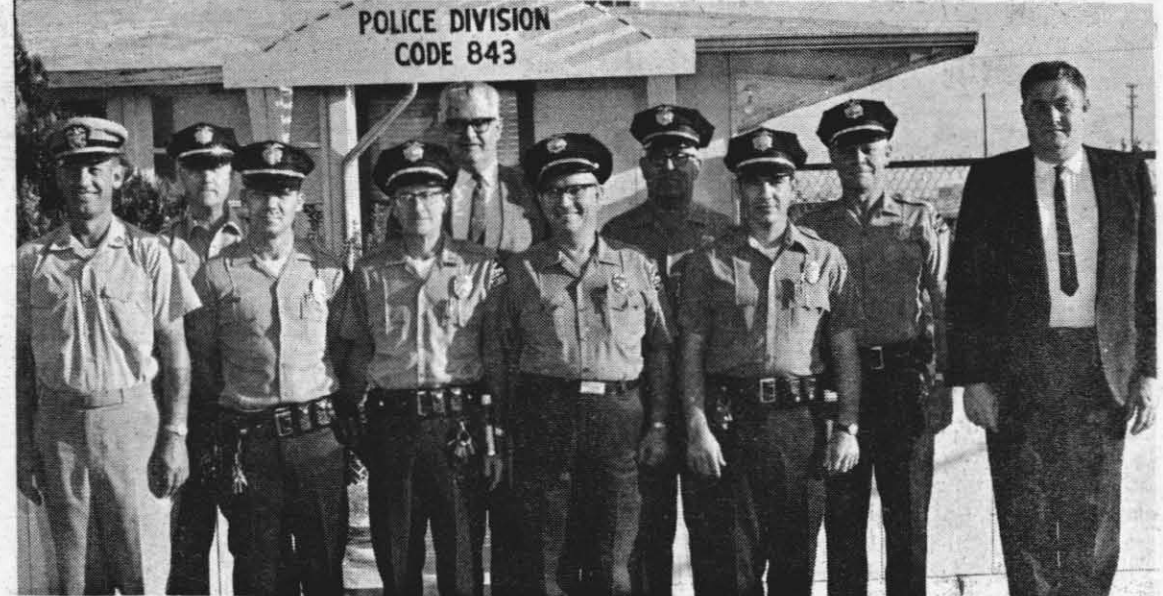
GEBA-CLMAS Waive 185-113

Lawrence R. Mason, secretary-treasurer of the Government Employees Benefit Association and the China Lake Mutual Aid Society, has announced that Assessments 185-113 are waived for the death of Bernie Davis, 56, who passed away September 29, due to a heart attack. Mr. Davis was employed in the Public Works Department at the Center.

Mr. Mason asks that all CLMAS-GEBA members check their cards to be sure they have paid for Assessments 182, 183, and 184. If a member is not paid-up, he is urged to see his collector immediately as these assessments are past due. Members who mail their payments are requested to mail them as soon as possible.

The waiving of assessments depends on the balance of benefit funds on hand; therefore, the sooner payments are received the sooner following assessments can be waived when warranted. According to the by-laws, all assessments are due 15 days from the official announcement.

Advance payments are acceptable by mail to save on postage and check or money order costs. Members should let the secretary or collector know of any change of address. If beneficiary changes are desired, forms may be obtained from collectors. These forms must be completed by the member only and they be-



AWARDS CEREMONY — Members of the NWC Security Department are shown at a recent awards ceremony at which Safe Driving Awards and Service Pins were awarded. In the front row, l to r, are: Lt. B. Cummings, Security Officer; Sgt. J. W. Cathy; Lt. J. R. Pearra; Capt. K. L. Beaver; Sgt. C. R. Fugate; V. A. Cummins, Chief of Police. Back row, l to r: Sgt. G. W. Newman; Sgt. E. J. Roy, Lt. A. B. Adams, and Capt. C.A.L. Mitchell. This photo was taken outside of the Pass Office near the main gate.

PROMOTIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

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inspection reports, invoices and requisitions for use by the receiving section and material inspection section to check and inspect incoming material. She is responsible for identifying incoming material, matching it to the appropriate documents in the open order file and moving it for delivery and payment. Minimum Qualification Requirements: One year of general experience in clerical or office work of any kind which has demonstrated the ability to perform satisfactorily at the grade level of the position, and one year of specialized experience in supply work or closely related activities: (a) which has required the applicant to acquire and apply knowledge of the rules, regulations, procedures and program requirements of one or more areas of a supply system; and (b) which has demonstrated the applicant's ability to perform at the level of the position to be filled.

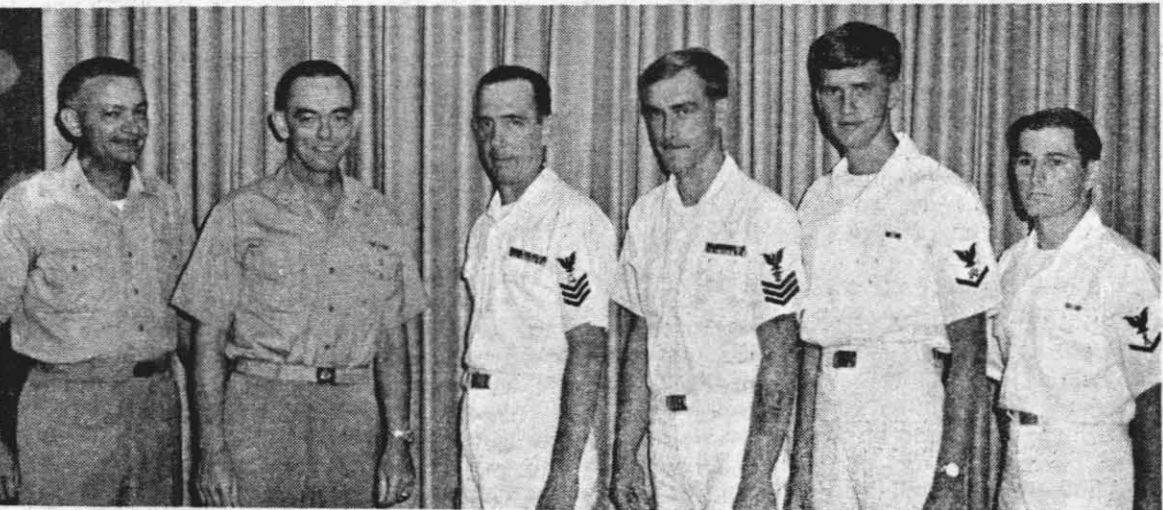
Motion Picture Production Specialist, GS-1071-07 or 09, PD No. 6975027, Code 7523 —Incumbent's prime duty is documentary motion picture photography—location, sound stage, aerial and some animation—with responsibility for overseeing maintenance and security of sound stage, photo and lighting gear, transporting gear to and from location, and maintaining stocks of expendables. Incumbent is responsible for understanding script objectives and recommending photographic means of achieving them. Secondary duty is film editing. Although editorial duties are normally limited to assistance, incumbent occasionally under direction edits film through to completion, including A-B rolls. Minimum Qualification Requirements: GS-7 level—Four years of experience. GS-9 level—Five years of experience. Qualifying experience for positions in this series is experience in the fields of radio, movie, television, or audio-visual communication, or experience in any combination of these fields that demonstrates the ability to perform the duties of the position. Applicants must have had at least 1 year of experience at a level of difficulty comparable to the second lower grade in the Federal service. Job Relevant Criteria: Capability to work as members of a team; initiative to work independently are necessary. Willingness to fly and ability to pass physical for flight above 10,000 feet are desirable. File applications for the above with Corale Cadle, Bldg. 34, Rm. 26, X-71648.



"LILIES" OPENS OCTOBER 17—Ronald Verette, r, who plays the role of Homer, and Kay Lane, r, cast in the part of Mother Maria Marthe, are shown during rehearsals of a scene from "Lilies of the Field," the CLOTA fall production which will open October 17 and play for three other nights, October 18, 24 and 25. Tickets are now on sale at the Gift Mart, Medical Arts Pharmacy, the Station Pharmacy, and from cast members.

NAVY DAY

★ OCT. 27 ★



ADVANCEMENTS IN RATE—Lcdr. C. M. Bates (l), Commanding Officer of Enlisted Personnel, and Capt. M. R. Etheridge (2nd from l), NWC Commander, conducted promotion ceremonies last week when four men were advanced in rate. The men and their new rates are: (l-r) Bobby R. Schlueder, DT-1 Dwayne H. Wightman, SK-3 Gary C. Poteat, and PH-3 Maurice V. Dias. The event was held in COMNWC's office.

Kent Stacey To Discuss Aspects Of Unification Pros and Cons

Kent Stacey, Assemblyman from the 28th District, and Jack Liebermann, of the Kern County School District office, will be present at a joint meeting of the China Lake Elementary School District, Indian Wells Valley School District, and the Rand District board of trustees October 6 at 7:30 p.m. in the library on the Murray School campus, to discuss the ramifications of unifying the three school districts and the Burroughs High School into one district.

Stacey, who recently authored a Bill which made unification legal in Kern County will discuss the pros and cons of unification in the Indian Wells Valley. Liebermann will discuss financial statistics of the districts, and answer questions which those present might have on the mechanics of unifying.

According to Grant Pinney, Assistant Superintendent of the China Lake Elementary School District, all residents of the Indian Wells Valley are vited to attend.

Also on the agenda for the October 6 meeting will be the beginning of unifying some of the services which are not being duplicated by the separate school districts, such as cafeteria contract service, pupil transportation, the adaptation by Ridgcrest of the summer elementary program at China Lake schools, and the question of inter-district attendance.

At the September 22 meeting of the board of trustees of the China Lake School District, board members were informed of the decision to assign Miss Evangeline Tan,

teacher, to the China Lake schools for the first semester and thereafter spend time in the high school land schools of the Indian Wells Valley District during the second semester. The services of Miss Tan were prorated on the basis of ADA between the two elementary districts. The high school felt it could contract for 30 days' service.

In other business, Pinney reported that enrollment is down 86 pupils from the same time last year. Pinney was also authorized to distribute information through the schools on a dental insurance policy.

The board also adopted a policy and approved administrative regulations governing the procedures for appointment of a vice-principal. This policy will be used immediately to fill the position of vice-principal at Murray School, which is presently occupied by a person serving in an acting capacity.

In addition, in response to a letter from Harold Pierce, District Superintendent, the board acted to release Pierce from his position as of June 30, 1970.

Mr. and Mrs. I.M. Coleman, present at the meeting, requested the board begin a class for deaf, and hard-of-hearing children. The board authorized the administration to recruit a teacher for the class and to start one as soon as possible.

Additionally, the board authorized the administration to recruit and employ a part-time District music teacher which will permit resumption of instrumental music instruction at the fifth grade level.

U.S. Civil Service Commission Plans To Modify Leave System

The U. S. Civil Service Commission has asked Congress to enact legislation which would improve the administration of the Federal employees' leave system in two ways.

First, the legislative proposal would allow a Federal employee to receive lump-sum payment for all annual leave accrued during the year in which he leaves the Federal service.

Under present law, an employee is entitled to lump-sum payment for up to 30 days of leave or for the amount carried over into the year in which his separation takes place, whichever is greater. Thus, if an employee carries 30 or more days of accumulated annual leave into his final year of service, he may receive payment for the amount carried into the year but not for any leave accumulated after the beginning of that year.

Most employees elect to use, just before their separation, the amount of leave accumulated during their final year to avoid losing it. The net result is that the employee is away from his job while expending the leave, and a replacement cannot be hired because technically the position is still filled.

Second, the legislative proposal would repeal the ban

on the use of annual leave 90 days of employment, except in the case of employees whose appointments are limited to less than 90 days.

In requesting that this ban be lifted, the Commission said the 17-year-old law containing the provision has resulted in a large amount of paperwork but that it does not aid management in any respect. In many ways it invokes a hardship on the individual during his first 3 months of employment. For example, a new employee moves from New York to Washington to accept a Federal job. During his first 90 days he needs time off for making settlement on a new house, registering children for school, and taking care of other personal matters — at a time when he can least afford to take leave without pay.

In requesting these legislative changes, the Commission pointed out that the proposed legislation would in no way modify the ceiling on annual leave which can be carried over from one year to the next, does not challenge the principle of a limitation on accumulation of annual leave, and does not seek to negate the "use it or lose it" principle.



EMBLEM CLUB OFFICIAL VISITS — Emblem Club members pause for a photo during a recent tour of Michelson Laboratory. They are (l-r): Dottie Davis, president of local club; Lois Peterson, past-president of local club; Beulah Glidewell, first vice president of the State Association; Mrs. Ruth

Duus, president of the California State Association of Emblem Clubs and Nevada-Hawaii Clubs; Jean Gardner, state marshal; Dottie Whitnack, vice president of local club; and "Dicky" Harris, treasurer of local club. Purpose of the occasion was the annual visit of Mrs. Duus.

Garden Club Tells Autumn Schedule

Future Events Are Described

With two local meetings and one district meeting completed, the Oasis Garden Club's fall schedule is gaining momentum as it moves into the holiday season. Future events are described in the following paragraphs.

October 9

The next regular meeting of the Oasis Garden Club will be on October 9 at 207-A Brynes Street. Mrs. Harvey W. Farrington is the hostess.

A horticulture workshop on planting spring bulbs will be conducted by the Horticulture Chairman, Mrs. Edward E. Benton. She will be assisted by Mmes. Alfred Pratt and Richard Kistler.

October 21

The Oasis Garden Club of the Indian Wells Valley and the Desert Planters of Ridgcrest will co-host the Desert Empire District Flower show on October 21 at the China Lake Community Center.

Only members of the Desert Empire District may submit entries for the show, but the public is invited to the oral judging and may view the show from 12:30 p.m. to 3 p.m.

November 18

Members of the Oasis Garden Club are now busy creating holiday decorations for the Holiday Decoration Tea to be given by the club on November 18.

The tea will be held at the home of Mrs. R.L.E. Gilmer at 724 Kevin Court in Ridgcrest.



DRIED PLANT ARRANGEMENTS DEMONSTRATED — Members and guests of the Oasis Garden Club were presented a program of miniature arrangements of flowers and dried plants last week by Mrs. Robert F. Rowntree (l). Mrs. Franklin Barney (r), vice president, admires the impressive wreath Mrs. Rowntree created from pine cones and straw flowers.

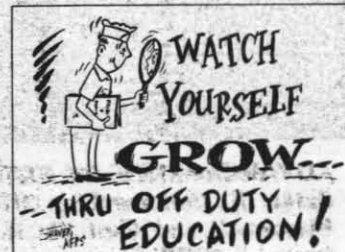
Monday Holiday Dates Listed

When Public Law 90-363, the so-called Monday, Holiday law, becomes effective on January 1, 1971, Federal Holidays will be observed as follows.

New Year's Day, Jan 1. Washington's Birthday, Third Monday in February. Memorial Day, Last Monday in May.

Independence Day, July 4. Labor Day, First Monday in September.

Columbus Day (new), Second Monday in October. Veterans Day, Fourth Monday in October. Thanksgiving Day, Fourth Thursday in November. Christmas Day, December 25.



Handicapped Employees Very Capable Thousands Are Able Workers

NATIONAL EMPLOY THE PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED WEEK, 1969 By the President of the United States of America A Proclamation

During the past three decades, this Nation has made great progress in helping handicapped Americans find work. Seven million men and women have overcome disabilities and found a place for themselves in industry, commerce, and the professions.

As favorable as are the statistics documenting this achievement, there are still many handicapped persons in need of rehabilitation. Programs are needed which will continue and expand the work which has already been done.

Yet even the best programs are not enough if they are not matched by a growth of understanding on the part of employers and the public at large. Misconceptions concerning disability must be supplanted by facts.

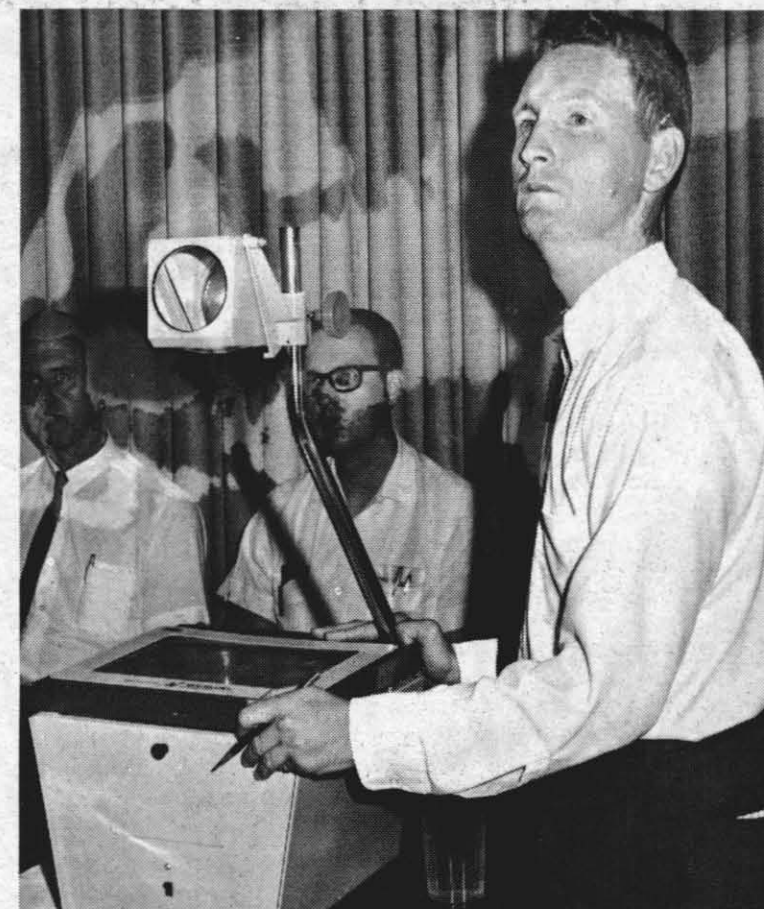
We must help the physically handicapped not only because it enables them to build better lives, but also because an American who is employed despite his handicap can help to build a better nation for all of us.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICHARD NIXON, President of the United States of America, in accordance with the joint resolution of Congress approved August 11, 1945 (59 Stat. 530), designating the first full week of October of each year as National Employ the Physically Handicapped Week, do hereby call upon the people of our Nation to observe the week beginning October 5, 1969, for such purpose.

During that week I urge all the Governors of States, mayors of cities, and other public officials, as well as leaders of industry, educational and religious groups, labor, civic, veterans', agricultural, women's scientific, professional, and fraternal organizations, and all other interested organizations and individuals, including the handicapped themselves, to participate in this observance.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this ninth day of September, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred sixty-nine, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the one hundred ninety-fourth.

RICHARD NIXON



PRESENTS WRAP-UP—Robert M. Beal, a summer graduate student employee who worked in the Design and Development Branch of the Weapons Systems Division of the Systems Development Department, is shown above presenting the results of his work at a meeting held recently by the department. Beal's work incorporated the use of Fast Fourier Transform techniques on the Advanced TIAS project. Although Beal is handicapped by cerebral palsy, he was able to accomplish assigned tasks with a minimum of supervision and received a performance rating of excellent. Beal is a graduate of Brigham Young University.

The Commission took the pioneering step of analyzing specific jobs to see what their physical requirements actually were. Commission doctors visited Federal installations and observed employees performing the physical tasks actually required in their jobs, interviewed employees at their work, consulted foremen and supervisors who were familiar with all phases of the duties of the jobs, and obtained collateral information from safety officers and medical advisors. Their findings were used to establish practical physical standards for positions and were combined into a comprehensive guide for the use of placement officials in Federal installations, opening the door to Federal employment to many people who had serious disabilities.

"Hire the Handicapped—It's Good Business" has been an integral part of the Naval Weapons Center's employment practices for many years. We have definitely found that the properly placed handicapped employee is not handicapped

on the job and can do many jobs. In reviewing the Center's accomplishments as we observe National Employ the Physically Handicapped Week, October 5-11, we find that there are presently employed at the Naval Weapons Center 68 employees who can be classified as severely handicapped and who have required some special placement efforts. In addition, there are many others who have not required any special efforts in placing them in jobs.

Of the total number of NWC employees with severe handicaps, there are nine individuals with amputations, three with controlled epilepsy, one who is blind, one who is deaf, and 41 others who have a deformity or impaired function of an upper extremity or lower extremity/back.

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Coin Collectors Advised To Save Franklin Silver Half Dollars

Coin collectors looking for a specialty are being pointed toward the U.S. Franklin half dollars. They are silver halves minted during the 15 years before 1964. Now, many are being lost by the silver melt because the price of silver is higher than the face value of the coins.

You aren't apt to find a Franklin half dollar in your pocket change. If you want to collect them, your best bet is to see a coin dealer. Some dealers are melting the Franklins along with all the rest of the silver American coinage, but others are sifting the Franklin halves from their melting pots. There are several good reasons:

* The Franklin half has



shown good investment strength over the past few years. A complete set of 35 Franklin halves turned out by the

Philadelphia, Denver and San Francisco mints now sell for \$175 to \$200 in uncirculated condition.

* It is a short series. The Franklin half was minted between 1948 and 1963. The minimum mintage is usually 25 years but Congress passed special legislation at the time of President Kennedy's death to put JFK's image on our half dollars.

* There are only 17 out of the series of 35 coins with a mintage of over ten million. With the silver melt in progress this number is shrinking the rare are becoming rarer.

* It is a unique coin. It is the only "big coin" (quarter, half or dollar) without a large eagle on the obverse. There is a tiny eagle just to the right of the Liberty Bell.

The hard to find coins of this series are the 1949 and 1953 Philadelphia uncirculated halves.

Only 2,700,000 of the 1953 coins were struck in Philadelphia. This small amount followed the 1952 outpouring of more than sixty million from the three mints. Many collectors lost interest in this series after the 1952 deluge. Few kept the 1953 mintage in uncirculated condition. Be-

cause of this, the 1953 Franklin half from the Philadelphia mint retails for \$14 at the present time.

Only 5,600,000 of the 1949 Philadelphia halves were minted and most of these went into circulation. Now, one of those in mint condition, can bring you \$22.



FIRE HURTS



FIRE PREVENTION COLORING PAGE — Your children might enjoy coloring this scene to drive home the fact that fire hurts. Tell them that the men's helmets are red, and their uniforms black. We can't tell you how to color in intense heat, irreparable damage, smoke fumes, or panic. Sorry, but there's no color for tragedy.

DO's and DON'Ts

Fires are caused by people not doing what should be done or doing what should not be done.

Some of the do's and don'ts of fire prevention include the following:

DO—Obey "NO SMOKING" signs.

DON'T — Toss a lighted match or cigarette away carelessly.

DO—Use electricity safely.

DON'T—Take chances with electrical cords or appliances in poor condition.

DO — Practice good "house-keeping."

DON'T —Let rubbish pile up anywhere, indoors and out.

DO — Shut off motors and power if machinery bearings overheat.

DON'T —Use sawdust or shavings to catch oil drippings.

DO — Have a fire guard standing by when welding or cutting.

DON'T — Start to cut or weld until the area is cleared of flammable vapors and combustible materials.

DO —Store oily or paint soaked rags in covered metal container.

DON'T — Overlook the possibility of spontaneous ignition.

DO — Your part in the job of fire prevention.

Evacuation Drill Schedule

- OCT. 8, 1969**
- 8:30—Michelson Laboratory
 - 8:45—Administration Bldg.
 - 8:55—Supply Dept. Bldg.
 - Next—Technical Information Bldg.
 - Warehouse 19
 - Public Works Office Bldg.
 - Training Bldg.
 - Public Works Office Bldg.
 - Public Works Office Bldg.
 - Identification & Housing
 - Personnel
 - Child Care Center
 - Warhead Research
 - Anti-Radiation Guidance
 - SNORT Operations
 - 10:55—Hangar No. 1
 - 11:05—Hangar No. 2
 - 11:15—Hangar No. 3
 - 12:35—Richmond School
 - Next—Murray School
 - Grove School
 - Richmond School
 - Desert Park
 - 9:00—Naval Barracks 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5
 - 9:10—Central Naval Barracks

FIRE PREVENTION WEEK Oct 5-11



FIRE PREVENTION OFFICER—John Seguire, Fire Prevention Officer of the NWC Fire Division, checks over building specifications to insure that proper safety precautions with respect to fire prevention are being upheld. John reports directly to Fire Division Chief J. R. Brust.

The observance of Fire Prevention Week, October 5-11, proclaimed annually by the President of the United States, is a time to concentrate on the elimination of fire hazards which could result in loss of life and property due to the ravages of fire.

All Center employees are enjoined to participate in the observance of this occasion by cooperating with local Fire departments and inspection agencies, with respect to the various activities that will be undertaken during this time.

President Nixon, in his proclamation of August 5, reminded the citizens of the country,

"The present level of our annual fire losses—more than 12,000 lives and over \$2 billion in property — is a measure of our failure to heed fire hazards and to correct them. It is essential that every citizen recognize that such losses can be avoided, but only by personal involvement, determination, and a realization that fires need not occur."

At the Naval Weapons Center, Fire Prevention programs will be fully implemented during the coming week in an effort to dramatically improve the knowledge and awareness of Center personnel and their dependents with the problems

and methods of fire prevention.

Fire Division personnel, under the direction of Chief Brust, and Fire Prevention Officer John Seguire, will coordinate promotional activities on fire prevention at China Lake through dissemination of posters and brochures, paychecks inserts, and other publicity.

Fire evacuation drills in major buildings and elementary schools will be conducted and the Department will also be available for talks, demonstrations and other educational activities.

Home Inspection

Homes on the Center will be inspected each weekday during the month of October to point out to residents situations around the domicile that present the hazard of fire such as rubbish accumulation, hazardous storage of material, proper electrical maintenance, and the type, general condition and arrangement of heating installations.

Inspections will take place between 7:30 and 11:30 a.m. and between 12:30 and 4:30 p.m. each weekday for the rest of the month.

Upon completion of each inspection, the tenant will be fully informed of the fire haz-

ards observed together with a statement of necessary corrective measures required to eliminate them.

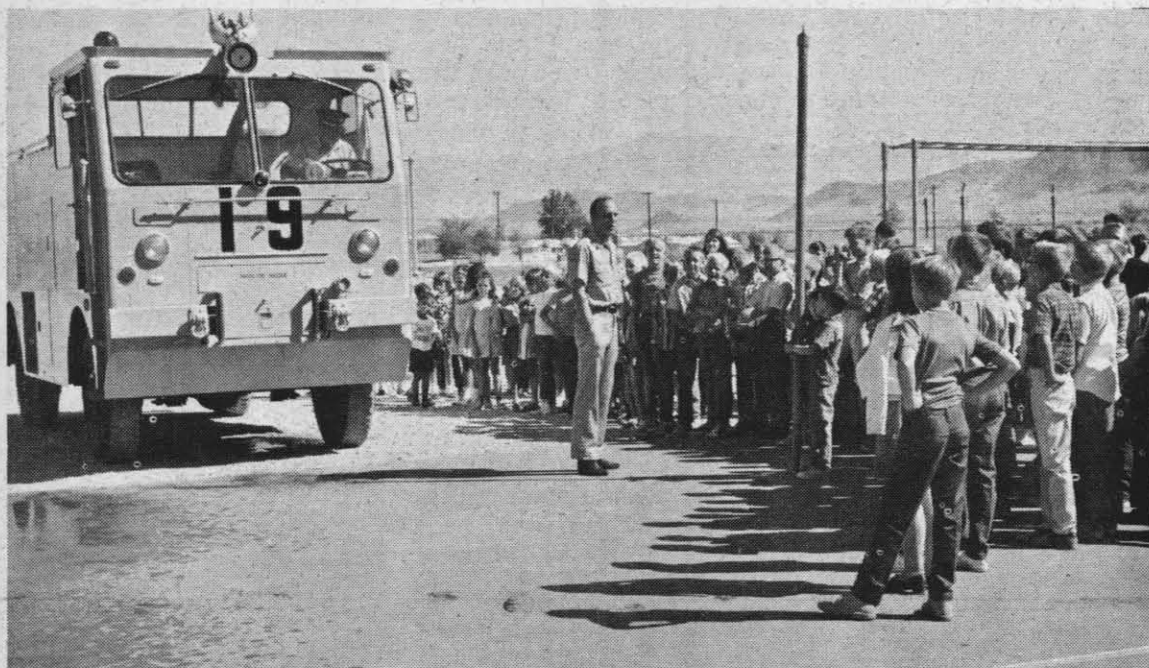
In addition, each tenant will be given a copy of a folder entitled "In a Fire — Seconds Count!" and an emergency number sticker which is to be installed on telephones that will list emergency numbers for fire, police, and medical assistance. Quarters fire bill "NAVDOKS 2593, as required by OPNAV Instruction 11320.15, will be installed (if one is not already installed) in a convenient location designated by the tenant.

The fire bill is designed to serve as a reminder and ready reference to the tenant as to the location of the nearest fire alarm box and the telephone number to call in the event of fire.

The time for each inspection will not exceed 15 minutes.

All should remember that although fire cost is measured in dollars, its most terrible cost is counted in human misery. Fire Prevention Week offers a special opportunity for China Lake residents to gain valuable information on fire hazards and corrective action.

Take the time to make your family fire safe.



FIRE-FIGHTING DEMONSTRATIONS—During Fire Prevention Week, members of the Fire Division of NWC will be available to give demonstrations, talks, and other pre-

sentations in relation to the annual event. Above, Lt. Bob Pinney of the Fire Division gives a lecture on fire-fighting techniques to interested pupils of Richmond School.



HOME INSPECTION—Asst. Chief John Seguire (c), Bob Pinney (l), and Capt. Dick Maxwell of the Fire Prevention Branch of the Fire Division, look over materials that they will be distributing to station tenants during Fire Prevention Week. Home inspection will also be held.



A PICTURE IS WORTH A THOUSAND WORDS