



SCOUT EXHIBIT—One of the highlights of the mainside activity that will take place during the Armed Forces' Day "open house" celebration scheduled for May 9, will include a Scout Exposition at Schoeffel Field. The scene above, taken during last year's Apollo Exposition, will be repeated in part for the 1970 celebration. Tickets to the show are now being sold in the area by local Scout groups.

SHOWBOAT

NEW RATING PROCEDURES
Future ratings for motion pictures shown at the Center Theater will be based on two different types of ratings—the familiar Parents' Magazine ratings, and the new MPAA (Motion Picture Association of America) ratings. (The Parents' Magazine ratings will eventually be superseded completely by the MPAA ratings.)
The rating designations are:
MPAA*
(G)—General audiences.
(M)—Mature audiences, parents should use discretion.
(R)—Restricted, persons under 16 admitted only with parent or legal guardian.
PARENTS**
(A)—Adult
(Y)—Youths 13-17
(C)—Children 8-12
(M)—Mature for Y & C

FRIDAY APRIL 24
"THE RAIN PEOPLE" (101 Min.)
James Caan, Shirley Knight
7:00 P.M.

(Drama) A discontented housewife unable to face responsibilities runs away on an aimless drive across the U.S. She picks up a hitchhiker, a brain-damaged ex-football player, whom she can't seem to get rid of (R)

Short: "A Taste of Catnip" (7 Min.)

SATURDAY APRIL 25

—MATINEE—
"CLARENCE THE CROSS-EYED LION" (92 Min.)
Marshall Thompson
1:00 P.M.

Shorts: "Let's Stick Together" (7 Min.)
"Frank & Jesse James" (No. 8, 13 Min.)

—EVENING—
"DUNWICH HORROR" (90 Min.)
Sandra Dee, Dean Stockwell
7:00 P.M.

(Horror/Drama) A naive college student becomes involved with a follower of the occult when she borrows an ancient book on magic for him. He lures her to his mysterious mansion, Dunwich. Well made drama with multi-color psychedelic monster in a mod style providing more fun than chills. (GP)

Shorts: "Put to Rest a Woodpecker" (7 Min.)
"Jockey Jacks" (10 Min.)

SUNDAY-MONDAY APRIL 26-27

"SOUTH PACIFIC" (154 Min.)
Mitzi Gaynor, Rossano Brazzi
7:30 P.M.

(Musical) The famous Rogers and Hammerstein classical musical is back again . . . The love story of a Navy nurse and a French planter who assists a Marine lieutenant in the Pacific Islands to spy on Japanese troop movements. (GP)

TUESDAY-WEDNESDAY APRIL 28-29

"TICK . . . TICK . . . TICK" (98 Min.)
Jim Brown, George Kennedy, Frederic March
7:30 P.M.

(Drama) A small Southern town turns into a time bomb when a Negro sheriff is elected and bigotry engulfs this community until the old sheriff and the new combine forces. (G)

Short: "Harry, Come Sail with Me" (10 Min.)

THURSDAY APRIL 30

CHINA LAKE CIVIC CONCERT
UTAH SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA
7:30 P.M.

(Western/Historical Drama) It was the Last Frontier and it took a special breed of a man to tame the roving guerrillas who tried to keep them from homesteading in Kansas. (G)

Short: "The House That Jack Built" (10 Min.)

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Barry Sullivan, Kathryn Hayes
7:30 P.M.

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IN AN EMERGENCY CALL: 446-3333



IT'S THAT TIME AGAIN—As 4-year-old Kimberly Ann Senn learned in a recent class at the China Lake Day Nursery. Daylight Savings Time will go into effect this Sunday morning at 2 a.m. as in years gone by. At that time residents should turn their clocks ahead one hour.

Ann Washburn Named Runner-up At Miss Kern County Pageant

Ann Washburn, the current Miss Ridgecrest-China Lake, was named first runner-up in the Miss Kern County Pageant held last Saturday in Bakersfield.

Miss Washburn is the alter-nate for the winning Miss Kern County, Carolyn Hodge, if for any reason Miss Hodge is unable to compete in the Miss California Pageant at Santa Cruz in June.

Miss Washburn and Miss Hodge were selected by a panel of four judges for their talent, beauty, poise, personality, and appearance in swim suits and evening wear from a field of 10 contestants.

In addition to the Miss Kern County crown, Miss Hodge received a \$1,000 educational scholarship. A 5-foot 11-inch brunette, Miss Hodge was the tallest contestant in the pageant.

Miss Washburn, a 5-foot 7-inch, brown-haired, brown-eyed beauty, attends Brigham Young University where she is majoring in home economics with a minor in dental hygiene. She is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Aldean Washburn of Ridgecrest.

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Twenty-Fourth Annual Wildflower Show Opens This Weekend On Center

WACOM Festival To Feature 150 Live Varieties

The desert's magic carpet of spring wildflowers will be exhibited in a "live" production this week-end, April 25-26, when the Women's Auxiliary of the Commissioned Officers' Mess sponsors the 24th annual Indian Wells Valley Wildflower Festival at the China Lake Community Center.

More than 150 live wildflower varieties will be displayed in an effort to "tell it like it is" on Saturday, April 25 from 1:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m., and on Sunday, April 26 from 10:00 a.m. to 8 p.m.

So that visitors may have free access to the event, the Naval Weapons Center's gates will be "open" during the hours of the show. Mrs. Melvin R. Etheridge, wife of the Center Commander, and general chairman of the show, extends an invitation to all local residents and guests to visit the Festival.

A. Bristlecone Pine photograph, taken by W. P. Fettkether and tinted by K. H. Robinson, will be given as a door prize. All visitors to the wildflower show should register as they enter the lobby of the Community Center.

Of paramount interest among the bountiful floral displays will be the staging of a desert water hole as it might appear at night. Mrs. Tilly Chamness and Robert Barling will create the night desert scene using some of Mrs. Robert Westbrook's collection of stuffed birds augmented with some bird specimens from the L.A. County Museum.

Mrs. Westbrook is a local taxidermy hobbyist. Mrs. Chamness, employed in the Public Works Department, serves as NWC Coordinator for Natural Resource Management, and Barling is an architect in that department.

Also, Mrs. Chamness and Barling will exhibit their photographs on the family life of nesting roadrunners and the hatching and first flight of two Costa humming birds.

Desert Bouquets, identified by common and botanical names, will be enhanced with desert scene paintings by local artists. Also, local photographers will display their prints of desert scenes.

Other Exhibits
Mrs. Juane Beresford will have a regular showing of her wildflower slides continuously throughout the Wildflower Festival.

Peter Woodman will be in charge of the reptile and wild-life exhibit, which he says will be larger than in past years.

The Indian Wells Valley Gem and Mineral Society will feature a desert rock and gem exhibit under the direction of Mrs. R. DeHarrold.



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150 VARIETIES—More than 150 Wildflower varieties such as the Blue Lupins that are being admired here by Burroughs High Senior Amy Licwinko, will be on display this weekend at the Community Center. They will be part of the 24th Annual Wildflower festival which is staged each year at about this time on the Center. The event, which is free of charge, will be opened to all visitors to the Center on an "open gate" basis starting at 1 p.m. on April 25.

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—Photo by W. Fettkether

By Executive Order 11524, approved 15 April, 1970, General Schedule employees have been given a six percent pay increase retroactive to 28 December, 1969. This increase was also extended to employees who receive special shortage category salary rates.

Military personnel were granted a similar pay raise retroactive to 1 January, 1970.

Trades and Labor employees will not receive benefits from this increase as their wages are based on industrial rates of pay determined in area wage surveys. Such a survey is expected to take place this Fall in the Los Angeles and San Bernardino-Riverside areas.

The new pay schedule for civilian employees will be reflected in the checks paid on May 8, with the retroactive portion scheduled to be paid the following week.

Retroactive pay for Military personnel will be included in their regular pay checks on 30 April.



SCOUTING FAMILY—AT1 Pottorff is deeply involved with his family's interests, as are most Navy men. Harold is Asst. Scoutmaster of Troop 112 and his wife, Diann, is Den Mother of Pack 291. The other Pottorff scouters are (l-r) Richard Ray, Joe Glenn, and Wanda Gail.

AT1 H. Pottorff Selected April's NWC Bluejacket

NAF Supervisor Chosen To Take Bakersfield Trip

Aviation Electronics Technician First Class Harold Eugene Pottorff, supervisor of the IMA Electronics Shop at NAF, has been chosen "Bluejacket of the Month" for April. The 15-year Navy veteran was chosen on the basis of his military bearing, job "know-how," and leadership capabilities.

As a result of his selection, the Gresham, Oregon native will journey to Bakersfield, where he will be met by representatives of the Greater Bakersfield Chamber of Commerce and taken to KERO-TV for an interview. While in that city, Pottorff and his wife, Diann, will be hosted by the Downtowner Inn, where they will receive their rooms, and by the Westchester Bowl Coffee Shop, where the couple will be served their meals.

In addition, the Pottorffs will be presented gift certificates and discount certificates from merchants of Bakersfield, including: Brock's Department Store; the Kern County Museum; and the Nile Theatre.

Prior to leaving the local area, Pottorff will be given the keys to a new Ford from Doug Butler of Desert Motors, for his weekend trip.

The April Bluejacket and his wife have three children: Wanda Gail, 13; Richard Ray, 11; and Joe Glenn, 9. The Pottorff family is a Scouting family. Wanda belongs to Cadet Troop 430; Richard is a member of Boy Scout Troop 112; and Joe is a Cub Scout, Pack 291, Den 4. Harold is the Assistant Scoutmaster of Troop 112, and mother Diann is a Den Mother of Pack 291, and a Cadet Leader.

Harold likes to hunt and fish, but Scouting activities have taken up much of the time he formerly used for those sports. When asked if he liked the local area, he replied: "Very much. This is similar to Gresham, where I grew up. Ridgecrest-China Lake is a little lar-

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"PATTERNS FOR SPRING"—Nancy Hoyem, left, and Lou Mello, center, measure Linda DeMarco for one of the "home-styled" ensembles that will be on view at the Catholic Fashion Show and luncheon Sunday, May 3, in the East Wing of the All-Faith Chapel. The admission price, \$2.50, will buy luncheon, as well as a pleasant hour's viewing of more than 20 different models displaying their work. Door prizes and a grand prize, consisting of a hand-crocheted dress, custom-made to suit the winner, will be awarded. Tickets are available following Sunday Mass, or by calling Lou Mello, 446-40-78, or Ethel Ritchie, at 446-5082.

China Lake BPW Installation Of Officers Thursday, April 30

The China Lake Business and Professional Women's Club will hold their installation of 1970-71 officers on Thursday, April 30. The event will be held at the Chief Petty Officers Club beginning with a social hour at 6:30 p.m. followed by dinner at 7:30 p.m. After dinner BPW members and their guests will be entertained by the Murray Junior High School A Cappella Choir. The choir will be directed by Mrs. Joan Moser.

Council Vacancy

Persons interested in serving as a Community Council director for combined Precinct No. 3 and No. 7, should contact Wardna Abernathy at 446-2272.

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 24 April to 1 May 1970. Secretary, GS-318-04 or GS, PD No. 704-5016, Code 4563—Serves as secretary to the Program Manager, Fuel-Air Explosive Weapon Program. Receives and screens visitors and telephone calls to the Program Office; keeps the Program Manager's calendar; composes and types correspondence, etc.; performs other duties as assigned. Minimum Qualification Requirements: For GS-4, two years progressively responsible general office clerical experience, at least six months of which must have been demonstrated ability to perform secretarial work above the trainee level. For GS-5, the requirements for GS-4 plus: an additional six months of demonstrated ability to perform secretarial work above the trainee level, and six months of experience actually assistant to a designated supervisor. Job Relevant Criteria: Prefer knowledge of NWC, Departments of Navy and Defense, and RDT&E. Experience as secretary to a Project Manager is also desired.

London Positions

The Chief of Naval Research has recently published a list of vacancies for the three year period—1 July 1971 through 30 June 1974—for positions on the Office of Naval Research London staff in the European Scientific and Technical Representation Program. Employees selected for these positions will receive one to two year assignments in London with dependent transportation, travel, etc., paid by ONR. During the assignments the employees will remain on the rolls and payroll of the parent organizations, and they will return to the parent organizations upon completion of the assignments. To be eligible for consideration, employees must be GS-14 or higher, have been employed by the U. S. Government for the three-year period immediately preceding selection, and, for most positions, have or be prepared to obtain some foreign language facility. Vacancies exist in a variety of disciplines including physics, chemistry, mathematics, electronics and certain other engineering fields. For further information, contact: Head, Employment Division (Code 652).

File applications with Pat Gaunt, Bldg. 34, Rm. 24, X-2723. Clerk-Typist, GS-322-4, Code 4050—This position is that of secretary to the new Project Office of Night Observation Gunship. This position is established to provide personal assistance to the Program Manager and his staff by performing a variety of clerical and administrative duties related to the management of the office such as, scheduling appointments and conferences, telephone and receptionist work, receiving and replying to incoming mail, reviewing outgoing mail, etc., provided a technical knowledge of specialized subject matter is not required. Minimum Qualification Requirements: One and one-half years general experience and six months specialized for GS-4 in accordance with X-118. File applications with June Chipp, Bldg. 34, Rm. 26, phone 2676.

Clerk-Typist, GS-322-3 or 4, Code 17021—Provides clerical services for the technicians in the Paperwork Management Group, Central Staff. Types directives from smooth or semi-smooth copy. Provides information on status of in-the-mill directives. Provides reference service to Center personnel regarding current and cancelled NWC directives. Maintains directive case files and forms case files. Types correspondence required, travel orders, and sub requisitions. Minimum Qualification Requirements: GS-3: Completed high school plus one year general clerical experience; GS-4: the above plus a year of specialized experience. Job Relevant Criteria and/or Selection Placement Criteria: Position requires a qualified typist with a good knowledge of English composition, familiarity with NWC organization and local terminology, etc. Advancement Potential: GS-3 may advance to GS-4. File application for the above with Sue (Continued on Page 5)

'Evening of Magic,' 'Talk-Out' Highlight Chapel Weekend

LCdr. Quinn L. Hawley, CHC, USN, Assistant District Chaplain of the Eleventh Naval District, will be the guest speaker at the 10 a.m. service, Sunday, April 26, at the All Faith Chapel.

Following the morning service, Chaplain Hawley will lead a "Talk Out" session in the Chapel East Wing. He is visiting China Lake in conjunction with the Ecumenical Vacation Bible School seminar to be conducted by Cdr. Harold E. Lind, CHC, USNR.

Chaplain Hawley entered active duty in September 1965 as Chaplain aboard the U.S.S. Duluth and shortly thereafter will follow a potluck dinner that will begin at 5:30 p.m. The potluck dinner and the "Evening of Magic" presentation will be held in the Chapel's East Wing.

Monday Seminar

At 9 a.m., Monday morning, Chaplain Lind will conduct a seminar for Catholic and Protestant Vacation Bible School workers at the Chapel's East Wing. Chaplain Lind is pastor of the First Baptist Church of El Centro Calif., and for several years has used his skills as a Vacation Church School expert and amateur magician to present seminars for Navy Chaplains while on his annual two weeks reserve training.

Chapel Schedules Ecumenical Class In Early June

An Ecumenical Church School, one week in length, is scheduled at China Lake for June 15-19. The sage writer of Ecclesiastes said, "There is nothing new under the sun" (Ecclesiastes 1:9). However, for the Protestant and Catholic congregations of the All Faith Chapel, there is going to be something new under the sun at China Lake.

This June, for the first time in China Lake's history, the two congregations are planning and presenting an Ecumenical Vacation Bible School under the co-directionship of Mrs. Clarence Renne (Protestant congregation) and Miss Yolanda Casados (Catholic congregation). He was chosen as guest soloist for the evening, which represented the first performance on American soil for Casals and this distinguished group other than at the White House and at the United Nations. Kates has also given request concerts at the White House and has appeared as soloist with many of the major orchestras of the United States, including: the New York Philharmonic; the Boston Symphony; the Los Angeles Philharmonic; and the San Francisco Symphony Orchestra.

He was also the guest conductor of Monteux's Orchestra Symphonique de Paris, and traveled to Australia as musical director of a British opera company. He came to America in 1936 under the sponsorship of the Metropolitan Opera. at the recommendation of Furtwaengler and Walter. Following the engagement of Abravanel in 1947, the Utah Symphony Orchestra began to grow in stature and repertoire. The symphonic season now exceeds 170 performances per year, and includes extensive touring of the United States and Europe. The orchestra is now hailed as one of the top 15 symphony orchestras in the world.



RED CROSS CHAPTERS MEET—Mrs. Anne Etheridge (r), wife of NWC's Commander, Capt. M. R. Etheridge, operates the Informx projector and hearphone for Mrs. Jean Slay, wife of Brig. Gen. Alton D. Slay, Commanding Officer of Air Force Flight Test Center, Edwards AFB. Brig. Gen. and Mrs. Slay toured the Center recently in conjunction with a joint meeting of the Bakersfield, Edwards, and China Lake Chapters of the American Red Cross. The Informx, provided by the Presentations Division in the lobby of the Commissioned Officers' Mess, projects video and audio information about the Center. —Photo by PH2 M. F. Krause

Utah Symphony Orchestra Due April 30

The China Lake Civic Concert Association will present the Utah Symphony Orchestra as their final concert of the current season Thursday, April 30, at 8 p.m. in the Center Theater.

Single performance tickets for the concert will be available at the box office on the night of the performance only for guests of present Concert Association members and will be priced at \$8 each. Every effort will be made to find seats for these guests near those of the sponsoring members.

For the benefit of newcomers to the area, Concert Association memberships with permanent seats will also be available. These memberships, which entitle the purchaser to seat assignments for next year's concert series, as well as this year's, have been prorated and are now \$10, \$8 and \$6, depending on seat location.

Under the baton of Maurice Abravanel, the Utah Symphony will feature cellist Stephen Kates as guest soloist, who replaces Miss Zara Nelsova, originally scheduled to appear as soloist with the orchestra, has had to cancel her appearance due to illness.

The Indian Wells Valley is fortunate that Kates was selected to take Miss Nelsova's place. Kates is a Silver Medal Winner in the Tchaikovsky Competition of 1966, held in Moscow, and last year appeared in the unique Waterloo Village concert in New Jersey with Pablo Casals and the Casals Festival Orchestra.

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United States, and serves an area of over a quarter-million square miles. Each year it plays to a combined audience of over 300,000 persons. 1st Tour in '66 The Utah Symphony made its first concert tour of the major West Coast cities in June, 1968. Everywhere they have toured they have received standing ovations and glowing praise. Said music critic Alexander Frieder of the San Francisco Examiner: "It was musical values . . . that gave them reason for their great applause." Echoed Marilyn Tucker of the Oakland Tribune: "The Utah Symphony and Maurice Abravanel passed with high marks." Martin Bernheimer of the Los Angeles Times said: "A certain grandeur emerged . . ."

In 1966, Abravanel and the Utah Symphony received an invitation to appear at the Athens Festival for three concerts. In addition, the orchestra gave its Carnegie Hall debut in New York while en route to Athens for the festival. While on the journey, they appeared in Vienna, Berlin, London, and several cities in Greece, Yugoslavia and Germany, playing a total of 16 concerts in three and one-half weeks.

Most of the world's great artists have appeared as soloists with the Utah Symphony, including: Rubinstein; Heifetz; Van Cliburn; Oistrakh; Sutherland; Milstein; Stern; Bachauer; Iturbi; and Utah-born Johannesen, and others. Without exception, these artists express enthusiasm about their appearances with the group.

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Rodeo To Feature Parade, Queen

The fourth annual two-day Desert Empire Rodeo begins on Saturday, May 2 at 11 a.m. with a western parade down Balsam Avenue and Ridgecrest Boulevard to the VFW grounds.

According to Lorry Gaska, co-chairman of the event and former Desert Empire Fair Director Mike Molner, "There will be no fees, no judging, no prizes and no losers in this parade." Anyone who wants to enter the parade should write Miss Gaska at Rt 1, Box 3851, Ridgecrest, or phone her at (714) 375-5441, as soon as possible. "Western dress" for the parade includes all types of western, Spanish or American Indian clothes.

Featured at the parade and the rodeo will be Autumn Eyre, Shirley Cooley and Karen Ernst, who are contenders for the Rodeo Queen title. Autumn is backed by the Valley Riders and Ridgecrest Roping Club. Shirley is sponsored by the Trona Corral of the Seales Valley Round-up Club, and Karen was entered by the Inyokern Saddle Club.

The Queen and her court will reign over the rodeo and serve as goodwill ambassadors at the Desert Empire Fair, September 30 to October 4. The rodeo queen and princesses will be crowned at 2 p.m. on the first day of the rodeo, which will run from 2 to 4:30 p.m. each day at the Desert Empire Fairgrounds Park east of Ridgecrest and south of the Naval Weapons Center.

Admission to each session of the rodeo is two dollars for adults and one dollar for children 12 and under. Tickets are available from Fair directors, the Medical Arts

Pharmacy and the Gift Mart in Ridgecrest, and the Community Center and the Club Chaparral in China Lake. They will also be sold at the gate. Another special rodeo celebration will be a combined barbecue and western dance at 5:30 p.m. Saturday night at the fairgrounds. Admission to the barbecue-dance, which will honor the rodeo queen and her court, is \$2.50. Wayne Paisano and the Roadrunners will play country tunes, rock-n-roll, old standards and instrumental songs for the dance, and will also accompany Saturday's parade with marching music and fanfares. The Roadrunners are a local group who have played in Bishop, Lone Pine, Edwards AFB and Frazier Park near Bakersfield.

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Protestant (All-Faith Chapel)—Morning Worship—10:00 a.m. Sunday School—8:30 a.m., Chapel Annexes 1, 2, 4 (Rooms 5, 6, 8) located opposite Center Restaurant. Thursday—Service at 5:00 p.m. (Organ Prelude at 4:45 p.m.) Roman Catholic (All-Faith Chapel)—Holy Mass—7, 8:30 and 11:15 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.



Pony-Colt Leagues Tell New Tryout Procedures

In a year marked by franchise changes, spring training experiments, and rule changes in the major leagues, it's not surprising to find China Lake's Pony and Colt Leagues making changes as well.

"We've made a number of changes in our programs this year and all of them are designed to make our leagues function better for the boys," said Gordon Peacock, president of the leagues.

The most important changes are in league arrangement and tryout procedures. In previous years the Pony League composed of a four-team "A" division and a four-team "B" division for less skilled boys. This year, however, the league has been revamped. The players have been redistributed and all 120 will play in one eight-team league.

"We think it will lead to better baseball," said Peacock. "The boys who were on "B" teams will improve simply by playing against tougher competition."

The new tryout procedure was likewise designed to assure a well-balanced league. At the tryouts the coaches rated each boy on a 10-point scale in running, fielding, and hitting.

The eight teams were then equally apportioned a first-rate pitcher, a first and second string catcher, a first baseman, and then on till all the positions had been filled. When all eight coaches were satisfied that the teams were as even as possible, they drew to see which team each coach would get.

"We plan to use the same system next year. Hopefully players and parents will be more accustomed to the registration deadline and other tryout rules. We think this balancing system and intra-league

playoffs will lead to a more interesting season," said Peacock.

The Colt League (for boys 15 and 16) proved more troublesome. The program calls for a minimum of 48 boys, and only 34 signed up to play.

"What we've decided to do is have three teams of 15- and 16-year-olds and one team of 17-year-olds only. They'll all play in one league here, but the 17-year-olds won't be eligible to play in all-star games or our interlocking games with Lancaster," Peacock said.

"Despite our problems we do have some excellent talent working with these Colt League boys. Gary Dilworth, who pitched at San Fernando Valley State; Lowell and Lou Radcliff; Robin Fuller, our training officer who has managed for 15 years; George Adair and Joe Coczinski. We think we're going to have an excellent season," he concluded.

Safety Class On Motorcycles Begins April 25

A motorcycle safety class, sponsored by the Community Council and the Gypsy Wheels Motorcycle Club, will begin Saturday, April 25 in the Traffic Safety Building on Hulsey Street across from the Center Dispensary.

Classes will be held from 9 a.m. until 12 noon. The course is open to any interested member of the community. Actual riding experience will be available on later dates for members of the class.

Persons interested in attending the classes are asked to call NWC Ext. 2037 for more information.



GOLF CHAMP VISITS NWC—China Lake Golf Club professional Paul Someson, left, greets Lt. Bill Scarborough, current Navy Senior Golf Champion, and former two-time Navy Open Golf Champ, who played the local course this week. Lt. Scarborough commented on the fine golfing facility available to Center personnel.

Bowl Makes Summer Plans

With winter leagues nearly over, Fred Dalpiaz, manager of the China Lake Bowl, is currently in the process of planning summer leagues and a few special events which will take place this summer.

One of these events is the Bowl-A-Thon, sponsored by the Women's Bowling Association. This tournament consists of 6 games bowled over 3 pairs of lanes. Entry fee will be \$15 per couple, and entries will close May 1. All those planning on joining the fun should enter early in order to be assured of a good starting time. The

tournament will be held on two separate evenings: May 8 and May 11, beginning at 6:30 p.m. both nights.

For further information, contact Dalpiaz, Ext. 3471.

Another special feature to be held weekly during the slack season is the Sunday

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Hatchetmen Win Volleyball Crown; Finish Season with 34-2 Record

Rolling through the season with only two defeats, the Hatchetmen were crowned the winners of the China Lake Volleyball League Wednesday at the Center Gym.

The Hatchetmen finished the season with a 34-2 record to outdistance the second-place Redbirds.

The champs fell just once in the last two weeks of play, while the Redbirds lost five to drop out of contention. The Redbirds swept the B-B's 15-5, 15-6, 15-9 on April 14, but then their troubles began.

They lost two of three to the Hatchetmen 15-2, 10-15, 9-15 and dropped one to the Low Orders 12-15 before reclaiming the other two matches, 15-8, 15-8.

Then Wednesday the Redbirds lost two to the Ding-A-Lings 13-15, 8-15, 15-11 to be eliminated from contention.

Meanwhile, the Hatchetmen were almost flawless. Except for the loss to the Redbirds, the Hatchetmen went undefeated, sweeping the Low Orders 15-1, 15-0, 15-11; the Ding-A-Lings 15-8, 15-11, 15-9; the Critters 15-10, 15-8, 15-7; and the Snorts 15-2, 15-8, 15-7.

Behind the two leaders there was a mad scramble for third. The Snorts went 4-11 over the

IWV Swimmers Beat AV YMCA In Lopsided Tilt

Carol Chatterton's Indian Wells Valley Swim Team journeyed to Lancaster last week to compete against the Antelope Valley YMCA. They won the meet handily, by a score of 317 to 179. First place winners from IWV include:

Individual Medley—7 & 8 girls: Louise Hugo; 7 & 8 boys, Kirk Odencrantz; 9 & 10 girls, Susan Goettig; 9 & 10 boys, Kenny Hayes; 11 & 12 girls, Elaine Forrester; 11 & 12 boys, Mike Hamm; 13 & 14 girls, Kris Bjorklund; 15 & 16 boys, Jeff Hamm.

Butterfly—7 & 8 girls: Vicki Rungo; 7 & 8 boys, Kirk Odencrantz; 9 & 10 girls, Carol Boyd; 9 & 10 boys, Steve Hamm; 11 & 12 girls, Becky Beresford; 11 & 12 boys, David Deis; 13 & 14 girls, Jane McGoethlin; 15 & 16 boys, Bruce Hillard.

Backstroke—6 & Under boys: Gary Randle; 7 & 8 girls, Nancy Gilkenson; 7 & 8 boys, Steve King; 9 & 10 girls, Susan Goettig; 9 & 10 boys, Steve Hamm; 11 & 12 girls, Jayne Stillwell; 11 & 12 boys, Mike Hamm; 13 & 14 girls, Kris Bjorklund; 15 & 16 boys, Jeff Hamm.

Breaststroke—8 & Under girls: Louise Hugo; 7 & 8 boys, Chris Lockwood; 9 & 10 girls, Jon Goettig; 9 & 10 boys, Lori Noland; 11 & 12 girls, Elaine Forrester; 11 & 12 boys, Martin Forrester; 13 & 14 girls, Linda DeMarco; 13 & 14 boys, Ricky Lovern; 15 & 16 boys, Rick Bjorklund.

Freestyle—6 & Under boys: Gary Randle; 9 & 10 girls, Carol Boyd; 11 & 12 girls, Becky Beresford; 13 & 14 girls, Jan Hillard; 15 & 17 boys, Rick Bjorklund.

The next meet for the red-suiters will also be in Lancaster, Saturday, May 2.

FINAL LEAGUE STANDINGS

Team	Won	Lost
Hatchetmen	34	2
Redbirds	29	7
Snorts	17	19
B.B.'s	16	20
Ding-A-Lings	15	21
Low Orders	11	25
Critters	4	32

Pony/Colt Leagues Sponsor Breakfast

The IWV Pony/Colt Baseball League will sponsor their annual pancake breakfast Saturday, April 25 at Bennington Plaza, in front of the Shopping Bag. Breakfast will begin at 7 a.m. and the last pancake will be served at 10 a.m. The price is 75 cents per person with all monies realized to benefit the Pony/Colt League.

All IWV residents are cordially invited to attend.

McBride Park Little Used Relaxing Spot

Residents of the community, newcomers in particular, may be surprised to hear that there is a park right here within the Naval Weapons Center which may be used not only by individual families but by organized groups as well.

Located between Entwistle, Forrestal, Hussey Road and Lauritsen, McBride Park was officially dedicated on June 19, 1959. At the time of the dedication, a sprinkling system, trees and grass were not yet a reality as they are today.

The park was named in honor of John S. McBride, father of Dr. William R. McBride who is an NWC employee, for his service on the Community Council committee which planned the area into a place for recreation and relaxation. John S. McBride was employed here from 1947-1959 and currently resides with his wife, Edith, at Rossmore Leisure World.

In 1964, the China Lake Park Commission, which at first had the name of the McBride Park Commission, was formed with representatives of many civic groups composing the 12-member board. Included on the board were representatives from the Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Protestant and Hebrew congregations of the Chapel, Indian Wells Valley Council for Retarded Children, Community Council, Unitarian Fellowship, Oasis Garden Club, and the American Association of University Women.

The American Association of University Women had taken the initiative in rehabilitating McBride Park by circulating petitions which were signed by 1139 residents and employees and submitted them to the Command. Four members of AAUW served as members of the Commission and one of them, Mrs. Arnold Yukelson, was chairman of the Commission, when it was reactivated. Later, Diane Frandsen, another of the four AAUW members who was the original secretary, became president of the Commission after Mrs. Yukelson's

term. The Commission set to work to clean up the area—which had earned the dubious nickname of "old stickery" — by digging up weeds, renovating tables and repairing head facilities, and disposing of trash. The Commission enlisted the help of many groups to accomplish this work and volunteers included Boy Scouts, youth groups, Girl Scouts, SeaBees, and the Oasis Garden Club.

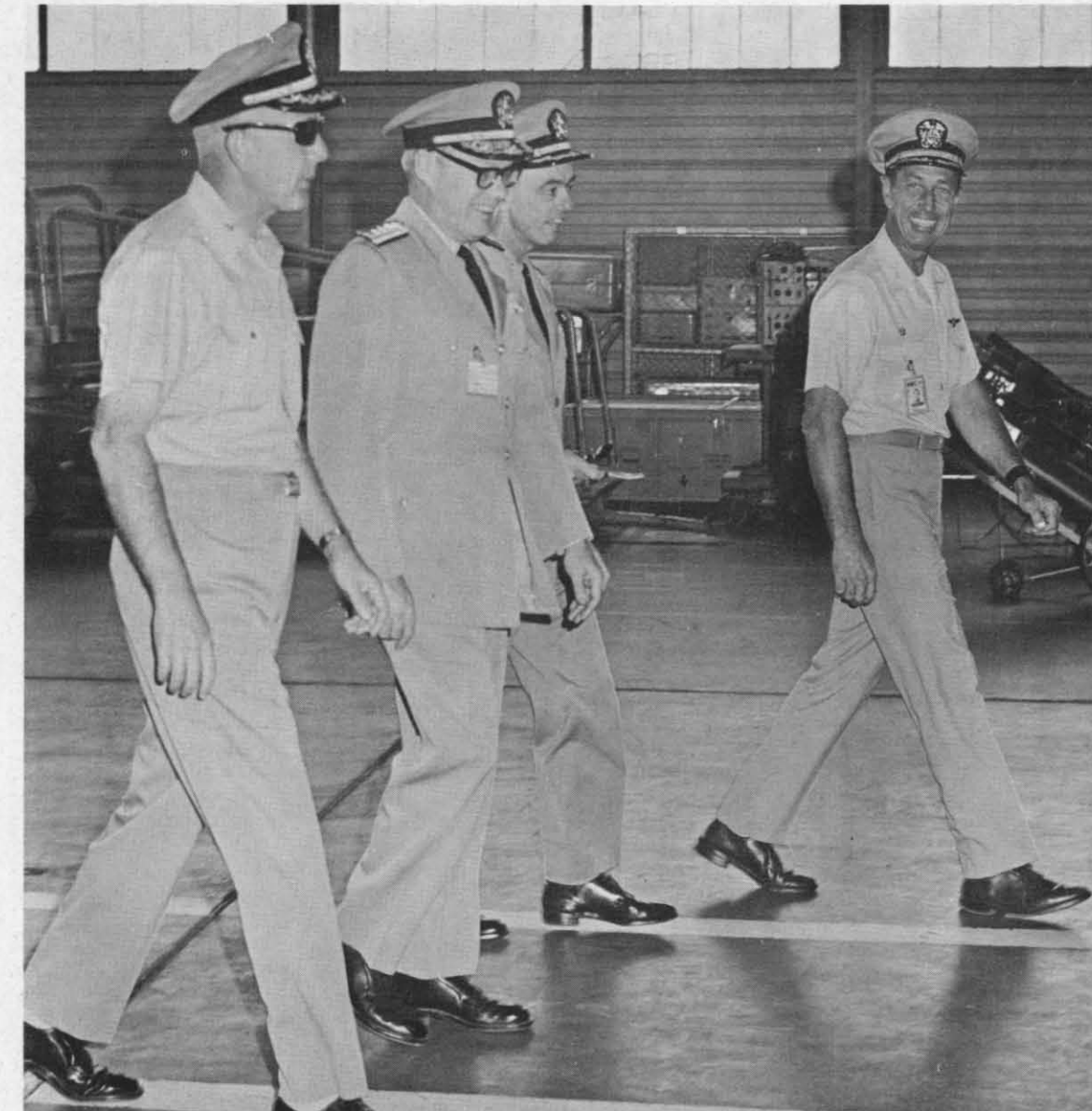
In addition to labor, many groups donated money for equipment and other improvements for the park. The China Lake Players presented "Spoon River Anthology" by Edgar Lee Masters as a benefit for the Park.

During 1965, several summer programs were presented in an effort to acquaint the public with park facilities. The Desert Community Orchestra held a Sunday afternoon concert there; and a hootenany, also folk and square dancing, and a community sing featuring the Sweet Adelines was included in the summer's entertainment.

For several years the Park Commission was inactive and last year was reactivated as a part of the Community Council activity.

Present members of the Commission are: Mrs. R. J. Freedman, Mrs. R. M. McClung, Mrs. M. E. Etheridge, LaVerne Bradshaw, Mrs. F. M. Brady, and Ted Bergman as the liaison with the Community Council.

Gifts of labor and money are still welcome in an effort to maintain McBride Park. The Park Commission has no funds for maintaining areas such as McBride Park and must rely on organizations and community residents for interest and community pride. The cooperation of all is asked in reporting acts of vandalism which have plagued the area. Organizations that might wish to help in some way are asked to call a member of the Park Commission or the Community Relations Office.



VISITS NWC—Rear Admiral A. S. Goodfellow, Jr., Commander, Operational Test and Evaluation Force, 2nd from left, is flanked by Capt. M. R. Etheridge, NWC Commander, 2nd from right, and Capt. L. A. Dewing, Commanding Officer of NAF, left, as Capt. C. W. Fritz, Commanding Officer of VX-5, leads the way to the lecture room at VX-5 in Hangar One. Admiral Goodfellow received VX-5 briefings and other technical briefings and other technical briefings during his brief stay at NWC.



PLAQUE PRESENTATION—Capt. M. R. Etheridge, NWC Commander, left, presents an engraved plaque from NWC to Brig. Gen. W. L. Hamrick, (USAF, Ret.), West Coast Director of the National Security Industrial Association (NSIA). One hundred and three members of the NSIA spent April 15 and 16 at the Center viewing Displays and touring Center facilities. —Photo by PH3 L. H. Detweiler

Lecture To Feature McAllister

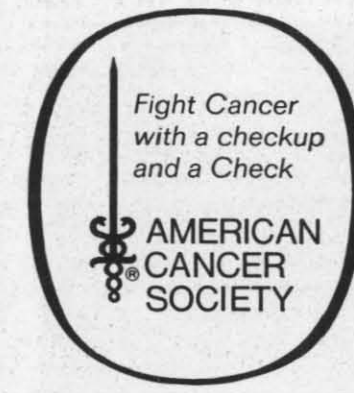
The second program in the 1970 Maturango Museum lecture series will be given by D. Theodore McAllister at 7:30 p.m. on April 28th.

The topic, "Backpacking Food and Gadgets - - - for the Fun of It", is one which should appeal to anyone who likes the out-of-doors, whether he be a hiker, fisherman, mountain climber, or just plain boondocker.

Backpacking and lightweight food have been hobbies of

Ted's for over 20 years. He has continually tried different kinds of food, searching for types which are easily prepared, nutritious, and also tasty. He plans to furnish samples of some of these for the audience. He will also have on display some of his specially developed backpacking equipment.

The program will be held in the Weapons Exhibit Center of the Maturango Museum and the public is invited.



RETIREMENT SEMINAR—Dr. Vernon Schull, newly arrived physician at the Drummond Medical Clinic, addresses the Retirement Seminar being conducted jointly by the Naval Weapons Center and Bakersfield Junior College. The nine-week seminar was organized to assist persons approaching retirement age, in subjects such as: health; social security benefits; civil service retirement benefits; managing personal finances; legal problems and other subjects. The seminar has a limited number of spaces still available for persons approaching retirement age. Interested persons should contact the Employee Management Relations Division, Code 651, Ext. 2348, for further information. —Photo by PH1 G. D. Bird



PREMIER CHAMPS—Members of Ace-TV, League champions for 1970, present their sponsor, Jim Poore, center, with the American Bowling Congress Sponsor Award. Ace garnered the League title on the final night of play, defeating Boyd's Auto Parts 11 points to 9. Poore was presented with a

trophy at a later date. Members of the team are, left to right: Ed Donohue, Bob Hooper, Poore, Bobby Kochman, team captain, and Thad Brightwell, who won the league high average honors with a 192. Missing from the picture are team members Bryan Schuetze, Leo Montano and Dick Zinke.

Expanded Auto Hobby Shop Open Now

Military personnel at NWC who use their spare time to work on their private autos, or who suddenly need to make an emergency repair, will now have more room to pursue their hobby, according to ADJC Troy Ott, manager of Special Services' Auto Hobby Shop, located between Halsey Street and the Club Chaparral.

The Auto Hobby Shop was recently renovated to include five additional stalls inside the building, making a total of eight, and now has 14 marked outside stalls on concrete for the use of self-mechanics.

In addition to these changes, an area is now available behind the fence, on dirt, for the storage of autos whose engines or transmissions, etc., have been pulled to be worked on inside the building.

The Shop, which is for the use of military personnel, their dependents above the age of 16, and retired military personnel, stocks parts and supplies needed to complete tune-ups on most makes of automobiles. Also available to hobbyists are headlamps, tires, coolants, anti-freeze, oil, fan belts, STP, and other minor parts and supplies.

For those needing a special part for a major repair, the Auto Hobby Shop makes available a service whereby parts may be ordered, with delivery in about one week.

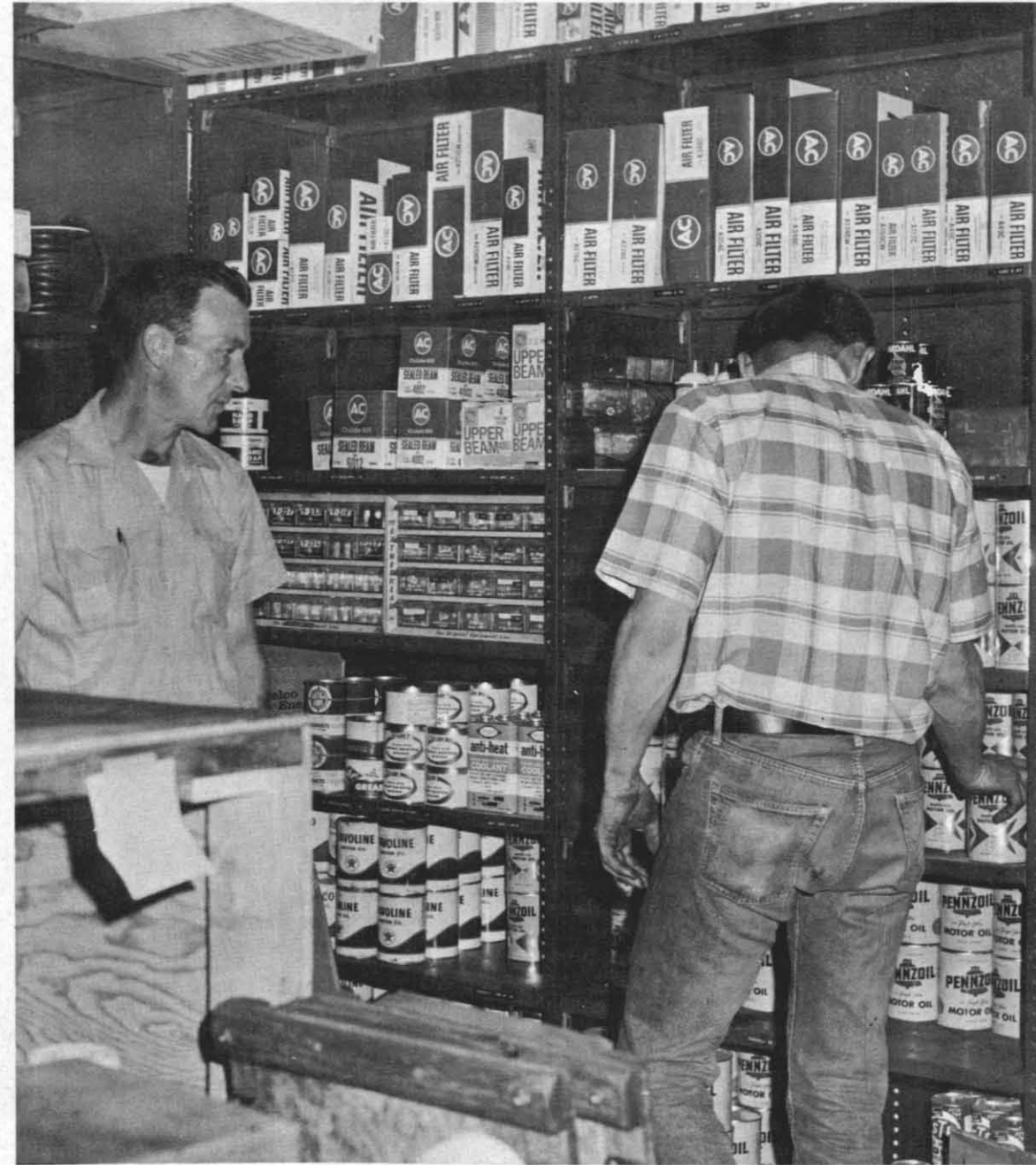
Persons who wish to make repairs on their autos find that they do not need their own tools. A special feature of the hobby facility is the check-out counter where nearly all types and sizes of tools may be obtained. Scattered throughout the shop are jacks of all sizes, grinders, drill presses, a spark plug cleaner, an electric arc welder, a gas (acetylene) welder, a valve grinder, a brake drum lathe, compressed air, and other machines.

The engine build-up area, located on the east end of the building, is large enough for two, three or more engine rebuilding jobs to be going at a time.

A chain hoist for pulling engines is located in the outside area. Here an engine is pulled, and lowered onto a rolling block holder. Then the dismantled auto is stored in the storage area west of the concrete.

Chief Ott is in his second tour of duty as manager of the Auto Hobby Shop. He served in that capacity in 1963-1964 during

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Chief Troy Ott, left, manager of the Auto Hobby Shop, and Denny Rich, a night manager, check oil stock. In addition to oil, other lubricants, coolants and anti-freeze is available to hobbyists who use the facility.



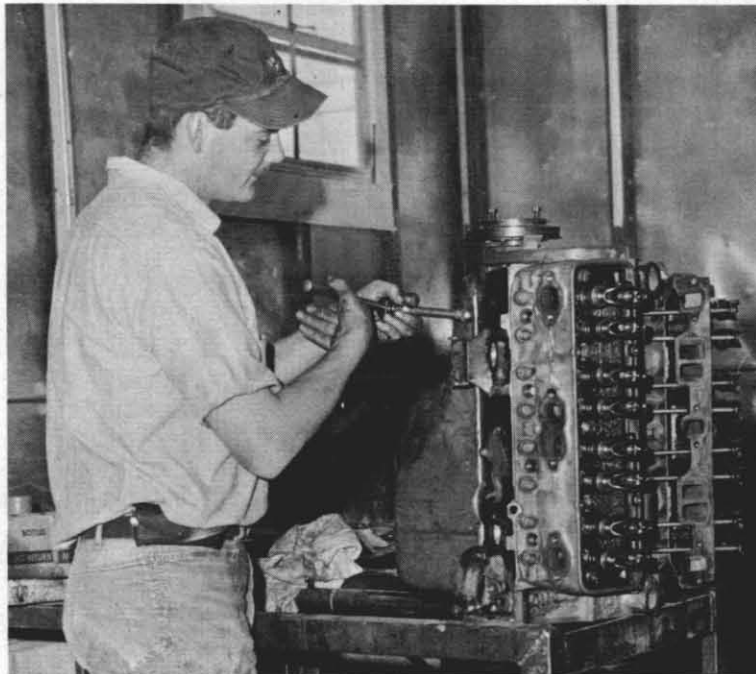
Mike Habel, an enlisted man at NWC, performs a minor repair on his Fiat. Shown are the added stalls and more working space

now available at the Hobby Shop. An unidentified hobbyist does a minor tune-up on his Chevrolet.

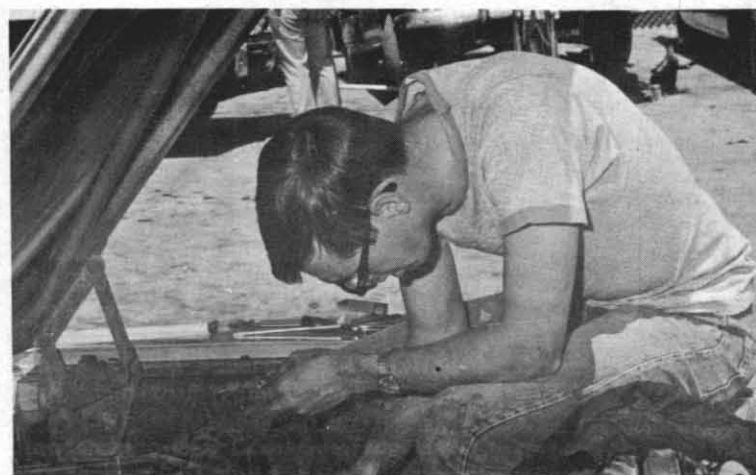


GRAND OPENING — Capt. C. W. Fritz, Commanding Officer of VX-5, (c), prepares to cut the ribbon marking the grand opening of the Auto Hobby Shop Wednesday, April 22. Others attending the official function are, from left to right: Cdr. J. H.

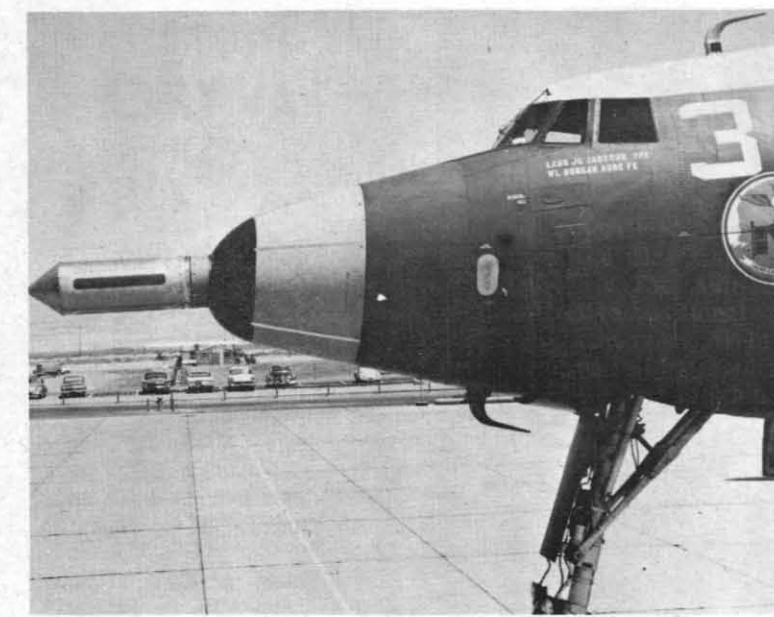
Robcke, Executive Officer of NAF; AMS-3 Robert Memking, Assistant Manager of the Shop; Capt. Fritz; ADJC Troy Ott, Manager; and Cdr. B. H. Creighton, Executive Officer of VX-5. —Photos by PH3 M. V. Dias and PH2 M. F. Krause



Bryan Miller, a night manager of the Hobby Shop, rebuilds a 283 Chevrolet engine in the build-up area located at the East end of the hobby building.



An unidentified user of the Special Services facility tunes-up his auto. Spark plugs, points, condensers, and other small parts needed for a tune-up are available for most makes of automobiles.



NEW RAIN GAUGE—A new electronic measuring device which can record the size, time and frequency of rain drops is an invention of Robert D. Zink of NWC's Corona Annex. Shown above mounted on the nose of a weather aircraft, the device has earned Zink a patent award.—NWC Corona photo

Corona's Zink Registers With Electronic Rain-Measuring Device

An ingenious rain gauge for aircraft has earned a patent award for Robert D. Zink of the Naval Weapons Center Corona Annex, Corona, California. The idea came from hearing rain on a tin roof.

The electronic measuring device works by recording the size of rain drops, and the time and frequency with which they hit a cone-shaped kettle-drum mounted on the nose of the plane.

Drops impacting on the cone furnish the initial information. From this, the amount of rain, the time in milliseconds of first entering the rain squall, and likewise the exact time of leaving it may be determined. Radar had previously been used to find an approximate rain rate in the air. This device is much simpler to use.

The gauge is useful in connection with research communications projects where rain interference is a factor. It can also be used in the study of aircraft turbulence, and in weather studies where the amount of rain at specified altitudes and the amount falling

on the ground might be useful comparisons.

The aluminum cone, a 6-inch diameter impact surface, is insulated from the aircraft vibration. In operation, a falling raindrop hits the cone, transferring its momentum to the cone like a small hammer pounding on a kettledrum. The airstream going past the cone wipes off the water immediately allowing the next drop to register equally well.

A crystal accelerometer mounted on the inside of the cone wall, with its amplifier, converts damp resonant vibrations into voltages. The amplitude is proportional to rain drop size. This information is then fed to a tape recorder inside the airplane. Tape backups converted to printed paper records furnish visual displays from which start and stop times, rain rates, and times of changes in drop sizes, can be determined.

Zink, the inventor, is a physicist in the Reliability and Evaluation Division of the Fuze Department at the Naval Weapons Center.

Kindergarteners To Register April 27-May 8

The two-week period beginning April 27 through May 8 has been scheduled by the China Lake School District as the time to register pupils who will be eligible to attend kindergarten during the 1970-71 school year.

All registrants will be screened prior to placement in kindergarten classes for the 1970-71 year. Information regarding screening and placement will be available at the time of registration.

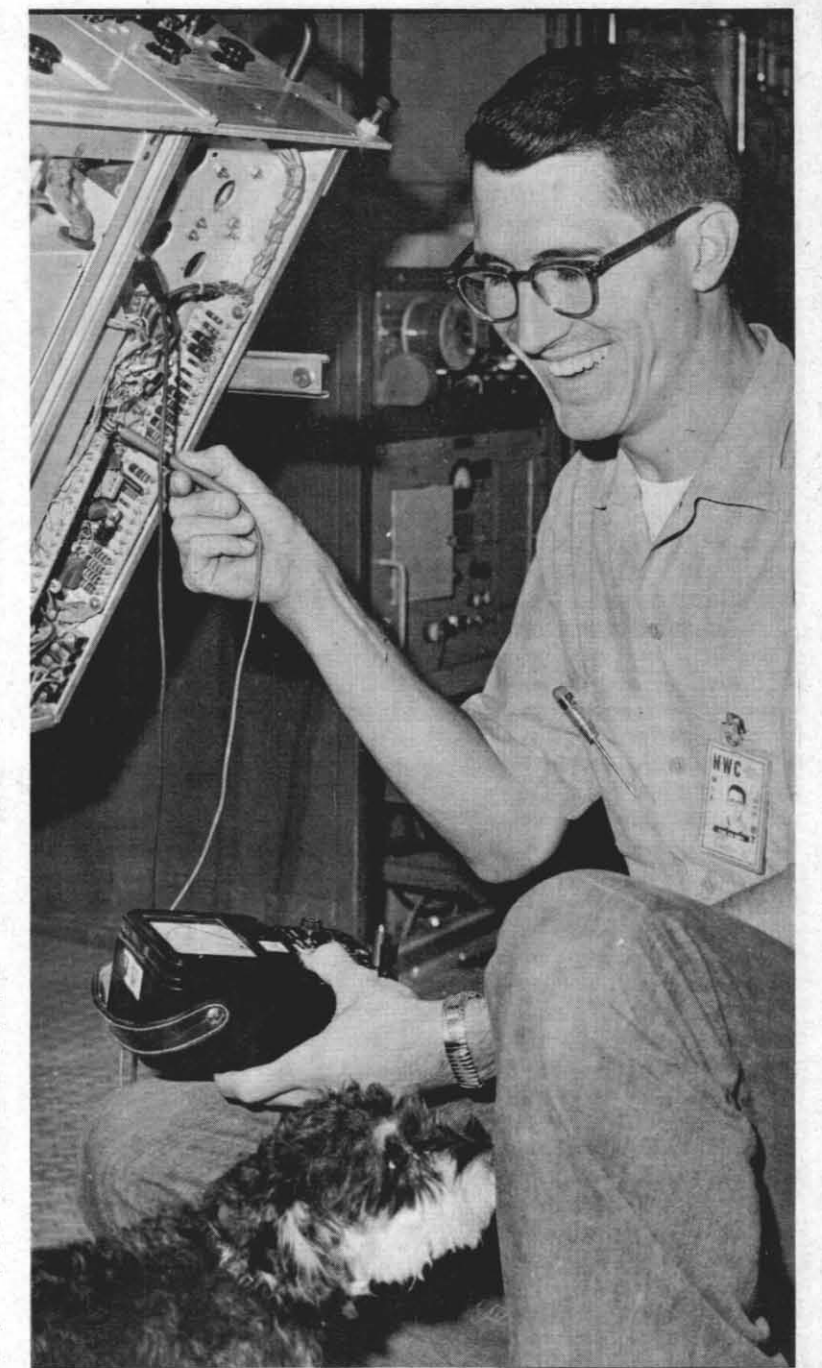
Registration will take place at the district office between the hours of 8 a.m. and 3 p.m. Monday, 27 April through Friday, 8 May.

The office will remain open during the lunch hour, and it will not be necessary for the children to be present at the time of registration as the screening will take place at a later date.

Children must be five years of age on or before 2 December 1970 to be eligible for attendance in kindergarten for the 1970-71 year. Proof of age must be presented at the time of registration. Recognized proof of age can be a birth certificate, a baptismal certificate duly attested, a passport, or a legally executed affidavit by the parent, guardian or custodian of the child.

Evidence of polio and measles immunization or a written statement by parent or guardian requesting exemption for reasons of personal belief or medical necessity must also be presented at time of registration.

Parents are asked to have information available for the school registrar on childhood illnesses the registrant may have had and dates of all previous immunizations.



LISTED AS UA—DOG-2 Sooner, Cockapoo mascot of the 4th Division, for the past 1 1/2 years, shown in this photograph with ETR-2 Timothy J. Dart, Bluejacket of the Month for May, 1969, is being carried on the rolls as UA, (Unauthorized Absence). Sooner has been missing since April 16 from the Receiver/Transmitter Building (Navy) in the "ER" area. Members of the 4th Division would appreciate any information as to the whereabouts of their mascot. If you know where Sooner might be, please call NWC Ext. 5360 or 5312.

PROMOTIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

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Praslowicz, Bldg. 34, Rm. 28, ext. 2577.

Pneumatic Tools Operator, WG-57032-06, JD No. 319, Code 704—Operates various pneumatic tools to breakup or drill hard surfaces, such as concrete, asphalt, and masonry. Drives truck on which air compressor is mounted to work site. Operates jackhammer or paving breaker equipped with various tool attachments. Makes minor repairs and adjustments to air compressor and maintains it in operating condition, etc. Qualification Requirements: Rating will be on the basis of the appropriate J-Element Standard in accordance with the CSC Handbook X-118C. Job Relevant Criteria: Must be skilled in the use of various pneumatic tools and knowledgeable in the care, maintenance, and operation of various compressors.

Electronics Technician, PD No. 6930085, GS-856-9, Code 3067—Performs the duties necessary to develop, modify, evaluate, calibrate, operate and maintain complex electronic systems such as trajectory or velocity measurement instrumentation equipments (AN/MSG-3A, MPS-26, M-33, Mod 7298 radars, and AN/MPQ-33 velocimeter). Duties also include the following radar modification projects: CPS-1, CPS-4, CPS-6, FPS-6 or M-33 radar modifications used in support of missile projects, or the maintenance and operation of target radars. Minimum Qualification Requirements: As specified in Handbook G-118. 1 year of experience comparable in difficulty to GS-8 or two years comparable to GS-7. Also 1 year of experience must be directly related to the duties of this position. Job Relevant Criteria: Demonstrated capacity to operate target radars, set test parameters, make required measurements according to test specifications—make modifications to antennas and feed systems as required to provide desired beam characteristics. Advancement Potential: Possible advancement to Supervisory Electronics Technician, GS-12, based on incumbent's potential.

Water Systems Controlman, JD No. 261 Aml, Code 70452—Duties are to provide instructions to, and surveillance of, pump operations, well operations, reservoir levels, pressures, valve positions, etc., as is indicated on the central control panel. Maintains log operations; takes readings of percentage of chlorine in water and takes samples for other analysis as necessary. Qualification Requirements: Rating will be on the basis of the appropriate J-Element Standard in accordance with CSC Handbook G-118. Job Relevant Criteria: Experience in the operation or control of a water supply system.

File applications and Supplemental Rating Forms with Dara Childers, Code 657, Room 32, Bldg. 34, phone 2393.

Clerk-Typist, GS-322-3, Development Division 1 in the Fuze Department, Naval Weapons Center, Corona, California 91720

The incumbent of this position prepares clerical duties in the Division, prepares reports, memorandums, official letters and appropriate filing and maintenance of records. Other duties involve timekeeping, making travel arrangements and typing travel vouchers and distributing the mail. Minimum Qualification Requirements: Applicants must meet the qualification standards as set forth in CSC Handbook G-118 which calls for 1 year of general experience or 1 year of education above the high school level for GS-3. Interested ap-

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Officers Get Citations And Awards



AWARDS CEREMONY—Three NWC officers were presented with citations and decorations recently by Capt. M. R. Etheridge, NWC Commander, right, for service in Vietnam and Korea. The officers are, from left to right: Capt. R. S. Moore, NWC Technical Officer, who received the Navy Commendation Medal and a Vietnam Service Award from the Vietnamese government; Lt. G. E. Fant, Jr., who earned the Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal (Korea); and LCdr. W. W. Poole, who was awarded the bronze star for meritorious service as Officer in Charge of Inshore Undersea Warfare Group 1, Western Pacific Detachment Unit 3, in Vietnam. Capt. Moore served aboard the USS Hancock in Vietnam from August 1968 to February 1969. Lt. Fant saw Korean service with VA-155 aboard the USS Coral Sea from January 1968 to March 1968. Lt. Fant is Operations Officer for the Weapons Development Department. LCdr. Poole is the Assistant Technical Officer for Surface Weapons Systems. —Photo by PH2 M. F. Krause



'Sooners' To Play At Chiefs' Mess Friday, Apr. 24

According to Cap Prentice, manager of the Chief Petty Officers' Mess, "Harold Cox and the Sooners," will play for a dance Friday, April 24, from 9 p.m. until 1 a.m. Members of the CPO Club and their guests are cordially invited to attend.