Friday, May 8, 1970

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

7 a.m. - 7 p.m.—Station Restaurant Open 7:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.—NWC Open House 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.-Weapon Exhibit Open Maturango Museum Open Navy/NWC Films (Weapons Exhibit Bldg.) 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.—All Faith Chapel Open 8:30 a.m. - 2 p.m.-NAF open to visitors 8:30 a.m.—Static Displays Open 9:30 a.m.—Parade the Colors 9:35 a.m.—Welcome Aboard 9:45 a.m.—Flight Demonstrations Commence Antique Aircraft Flyby **Firepower Demonstration** Helicopter Demonstration Parachute Demonstration 11:30 a.m.—Blue Angels Flight Demonstration 12 Noon - 4 p.m.—Safety Exhibit Open 12:30 p.m.-4 p.m.-Michelson Laboratory Open 2 p.m.-6 p.m.-Boy Scout Exposition (Schoeffel Field)

Navy Flight Demonstration Team. .

PARKING AREA

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ed of them as naval aviators. nal interest, the "Blues" hope to interest young men in air or interest in the nation's air po-

In combat, the tactics that the Blue Angels demonstrate might be flown from tree-top level to 60,000 feet. But for the come to watch, the "Blues" bring all the maneuvers down to eye-level. "Bringing it down" involves performing at low altitudes the tactical skills taught student pilots at high altitudes, to demonstrate to the public the kind of aerial teamwork which has paid off for Americans in actual battles from

Midway to Vietnam. who make up the "Blues" bear tighter. little resemblance to the dashing daredevil barnstormers lapping, they change speeds demonstration and flies #7 on who stunted before county from nearly supersonic to just jet orientation flights for newsfairs half a century ago. These above a stall. They change for- paper, television and radio meare professional pilots with mations several times during a dia representatives. Lieuteskills honed by thousands of show, some executed smoothly nant Dick Schram, #8, is a nahours in the air and many and rapidly within the context val flight officer and is the more thousands of hours learn- of other maneuvers right in Team's Public Affairs officer. ing the engineering, naviga- front of the spectators. The Lieutenant Commander Mack tion, meteorology, and electro- two solo "Blues" were the first Prose, the Aircraft Maintennics that must be second na- pilots in the world to fly super- ance Officer, is in charge of ture to the jet pilot of today. sonic jets in a "back-to-back" the one-hundred-man mainte-None of the maneuvers are formation with the top plane nance crew and is responsible stunts or "daring feats," for all inverted and the second snug- for the 100 per cent availabilare part of the stock-in-trade gled underneath, right-side-up, ity of the Blue Angels aircraft of any fighter pilot-tactical with minimum separation. By at all times. Lieutenant Mary maneuvers. They are, however, any measure, the Blue Angels Russell, administrative assistdone in extremely close forma- display of aerial artistry and and assistant Public Aftion rather than individually professionalism is seldom fairs officer, is the first woman and are, of course, done at matched. . and never exceeded. assigned to the team. lower altitude than is normally In echelon, the "Blues" exethe case. "Stunts" involve cute rolls and changeover rolls. Blue Cross Ins. Agent "luck," the Blue Angels ex- In the Diamond, they roll, loop plain, and when you are doing and execute the "Fleur-de-lis" the kind of demanding flying breakup. The Blue Angel Dia- Wednesday, May 13 the Navy does, day in and day mond seems to hang in the air out, luck is something a Navy as they demonstrate a slow Insurance representative, Gorpilot just doesn't depend upon. pass at carrier-landing speed, don Ellis will be at the Com-The secret behind the smooth with gear and flaps down and munity Center next Wednesgrace of a Blue Angel perfor- engine air streaming over the day, May 13, from 10 a.m. to mance is practice, teamwork, wings to create boundary layer 2 p.m., according to T. J. Haycoordination, alertness and phy- effect. All these maneuvers are cock, Head, Employee Managesical conditioning. . and more flown with the wingmen tuck- ment Relations

The "Blues," in their swept-And by performing at air shows wing Mach 2 Phantoms, utilize and other events in the natio- two basic formations for their performance: the echelon, in which the planes are stacked ground careers in naval avia- down and back from the leadtion and to stimulate public er at a 45-degree angle, and the famous Blue Angel Diamond, in which there is a wingman on each of the leader's wings and a "slot man" flying directly behind and below the leader's engine exaerospace enthusiasts who hausts, between the two wingmen. The Blue Angel pilots slide their Phantoms together in the sky until but a scant yard separates wingtip from canopy and with wings over-

lapping completely. in the demanding program they have fashioned to demonstrate tenant Steve Shoemaker, flytheir planes and their skills. They fly their Diamond so Umstead, flying #6, do the The serious naval aviators tight that none could fly it maximum performance solo

ing their wings behind the leader's, their canopies about four feet from his wing tips. After

mation reverses course, the Blue Angel solo pilots demonstrate some of the record-setting performance flight characteristics of the Phantoms, unobtrusively and simultaneously exhibiting the precise timing and teamwork which is a tra-

dition in naval aviation. The line-up for the 1970 season is as follows:

Commander Harley Hall #1, leader; Captain Kevin O, Mara, USMC, flying #2 on the right wing; Lieutenant Jim Maslowski, flying #3 on the left wing; Lieutenant Ernie Christensen, The Blue Angels take pride flying #4 in the "slot" position of the diamond formation. Lieuing #5, and Lieutenant Skip routines. Lieutenant Comman-With the complete wing over- der J. D. Davis narrates the

At Community Center

The Blue Cross/Blue Shield

MOVIE RATINGS FOR PARENTS AND YOUNG PEOPLE

The objective of the ratings is to inform parents about the suitability of ovic content for viewing by their childre

ALL AGES ADMITTED

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"ME), NATALIE" (111 Min.) Patty Duke, James Farentino, Elsa Lanchester

(Drama) She was just a Plain Jane ugly duckling until she found her inner beauty. Short: "Pink Outs" (7 Min.)

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"TARZAN'S HIDDEN JUNGLE" (73 -MIN.) 1:00 P.M. Shorts: "Quiz Whiz" (16 Min.) 'Frank& Jesse James" (No. 11, 13 Min.)

"SCREAM AND SCREAM AGAIN" (94 Min. Vincent Price, Peter Cushing

(Horror Drama) A weird melange of Lon macabre, but successful, transplants of

SUNDAY-MONDAY "TAKE THE MONEY AND RUN" (85 Min.) Woody Allen, Janet Margolin 7:30 P.M.

(Comedy) The funniest putdown you ever saw with Woody an inept criminal who is a cross between a retarded Clyde Barrow an da butter-fingered Cool Hand Luke! "New England Heritage Trail" (15 Min.)

TUESDAY-WEDNESDAY "JOURNEY TO THE FAR SIDE OF THE SUN" (98 Min.) Ian Hendry, Lynn Loring

7:20 P.M. (Science/Fiction) Was there really a new planet behind the sun, rotating at the half the calculated time? (G) Short: "Man from Chimp" (9 Min.)

THURSDAY-FRIDAY "THE DIRTY DOZEN" (149 Min.) Marvin, Ernest Borgnine, Jim Brown

an Army Major leading 12 condemned prisoners on a mission to destroy an ene-

Destroy Food

According to a memoranum from CWO-2 W. E. Bassett, Officer in Charge of the Commissary Store, the Navy Resale System Office is recalling all lots of Thomas J. Lipton soup mixes, to include the following: Chicken vegetable, packed 2 2-oz. pks/box; Ringo noodles with real chicken broth packed 2-2 2/8-oz. pks/box; Giggle noodles with real chicken broth packed 2 2-oz. pks/ box; Beef flavored noodles with vegetables packed 2 2oz. pks/box; Alphabet vegetable packed 2 2-oz. pks/box; Turkey noodles packed 2 11/2-oz. pks/box. The above named products purchased by residents for home use should be destroyed.

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Central Area Map

Center Gates To Swing Wide For 20th Annual Armed Forces Day

Firepower Demonstration, Navy's **Blue Angels To Highlight Event**

Special displays and exhibits have been set up at various locations throughout the Naval Weapons Center in anticipation of the arrival of thousands of vistors to the 20th annual Armed Forces Day celebration that will be held on Saturday, May 9.

Although most installations will be holding open house celebrations on May 16, the Center has moved the event up a week to take advantage of the availability of the Navy's Flight Demonstration Team, the "Blue

The day will begin at 7:30 a.m. when the NWC Main Gate opens to visitors from the surrounding com-

The Maturango Museum and Weapons Exhibit Building, located east of Switzer Circle, on the north side of Halsey St., will open their doors to visitors at 8 a.m. Inside the Maturango Museum are displays and artifacts which relate to the history of the In-

BUSSES AVAILABLE

Due to the anticipated crowd and accompanying traffic problem expected on the road to the Naval Air Facility, visitors are encouraged to park their vehicles near the Bennington Plaza area (See map, page 8) and board one of for NAF on a regularly scheduled basis beginning at 8 a.m. May 9.

dian Wells Valley, the Mojave Desert, and the Naval Weapons Center.

The Weapons Exhibit Building, which adjoins the Maturango Museum, contains a collection of weapons developed at NWC since the Center's inception in 1943.

NAF Open House Open House at NAF will begin at 8:30 a.m. It is here that

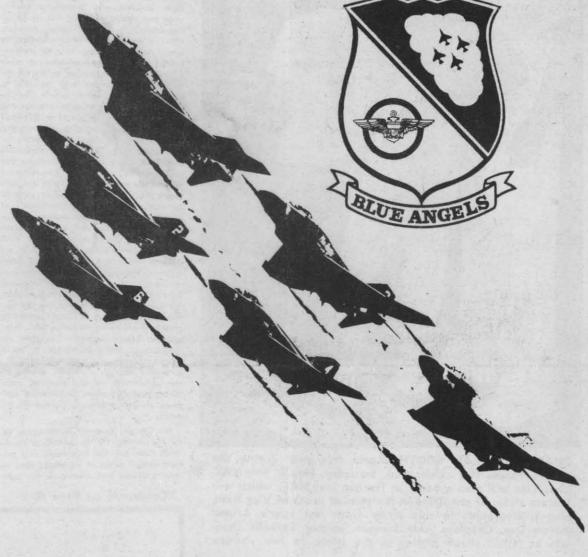
Armed Forces Day visitors to NWC will have a birds-eve view of the firepower demonstration and air show, which will feature the Blue Angels.

Capt. M. R. Etheridge, NWC Commander, will give a "Welcome Aboard" address at 9:35 a.m., followed by the air show, slated to commence at 9:45

During the two-hour display of part of the might of our Armed Forces, visitors will see the first public firing of a Chaparral missile, the Army's newest surface-to-air missile, which was developed at NWC. In addition, the public will witness an antique aircraft fly-by; a firepower demonstration, put on by pilots of NWC; a helicopter demonstration; and a parachute demonstration by a local sky-diving organization.

The celebrated Blue Angels will close the show with a performance of their precision tight-formation drills, all of which are taught to Navy pi-

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THE BLUES PERFORM—The celebrated Blue Angels sweep across the skies in this tight wedge formation, trailing smoke behind them, during a recent air show. The Navy's Flight demonstration Team will give local sightseers a first-hand look at the many

combat and aerial maneuvers in their repertoire during the 20th annual Armed Forces Day celebration at NWC Saturday, May 9. All of the maneuvers and close-order flying performed by the "Blues" are taught as standard combat techniques to Navy pilots.



Capt. L. A. Dewing Commanding Officer NAF



Capt. M. R. Etheridge **NWC Commander**



Capt. C. W. Fritz Commanding Officer VX-5

ROCKETEER



CHAPLAINS PLAN BOOTH-Again this year during the Armed Forces Day celebration, Saturday, May 9, the NWC Chaplains will man a booth in Hangar 3 at NAF, which will feature slides of chaplains in the combat areas of Viet Nam, plus photographs. In this photo from last year's Armed Forces Day, Chaplain Jude Senieur, former Catholic chaplain at NWC, shows photos in the booth to two visitors.



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SERVICES Protestant (All-Faith Chapel)-

DIVINE

Morning Worship-10:00 a.m. Sunday School—8:30 a.m., Chapel Annexes 1, 2, 4 (Dorms 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.

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 Sabbath School-10 a.m. to noon, every

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

PROMOTIONAL Armed Forces Day Message **OPPORTUNITIES**

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Employees are encouraged to apply or 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

Part of the ranking process of the

rated as basically qualified will be a supervisory appraisal form that will be

ent to the employees present and mos

The vacancies listed below are effective

Policeman, GS-082-03, 04 or 05, PD No

884015, PD No. 884016, PD No. 284011 (6

these positions will be under the supervision of the Head, Police Division and/or

the Sergeant of the Watch. The duties of

these positions are: to enforce county, state and federal laws as well as Center

regulations; to conduct initial investiga-

tions; to make arrests when necessary; to

attend court when required; to preserve,

protect and gather evidence at crime

sccenes; to prepare written reports of a

operate a police patrol vehicle. The in-cumbent is required to carry firearms and

to be proficient in the use of a .38 caliber

revolver. Annual qualifying marksmanship

is mandatory. Minimum Qualification Re-

guirements: GS-3: One year of acceptable

experience which clearly demonstrates that

the candidate possesses a knowledge of

general law enforcement methods and tech-

ing police functions. This experience must

have included protecting property, equip-

relationships in enforcing various rules and regulations. GS-4: Two years of ex-

perience which has given the candidate

practices, and techniques. The experience

must have included making arrests, protect-

ing life and property, maintaining law and

crime and preserving the peace. GS-5: Three

vears of experience which has given the

candidate a broad knowledge of police

rests, protecting life and property, main-

aining law and order, investigating acci-

ents, preventing crime, and preserving the

Fire Fighter (general), G5-081-03 or 04, PD No. 584008, PD No. 584002 (8 vacan-

volving airfield and/or structural fire fight-

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iques that could be applied in perform-

scancies), Code 843—The incumbents of

recent previous supervisor. Selectic shall be made without discrimination

This is the day on which every citizen should pause to recognize and appreciate the selfless, invaluable service being rendered to each of us throughout the year by those in our

It is no longer enough that the Sailor, Soldier, Marine or Airman know how to fire a gun. Today he must learn to operate and maintain costly and complex weapons systems, undergo prolonged separations from home and family and risk his life in conflict with a determined enemy in an unorthodox and unpopular war.

Our servicemen have met each demand with quiet competence and loyal dedication to our country, and with far too little support from the people they serve.

I urge on this Armed Forces Day that we all remember that it is only behind the perimeter manned by the individual in uniform that we are free to live our lives in safety and comfort and to pursue happiness, each in his own way. John H. Chafee Secretary of the Navy

Advisory Board Visit Next Week

Michelson Laboratory Awards, Lab

The 1970 Michelson Laboratory Awards will be announced during a luncheon to be held in the Mojave Room of the Commissioned Officers' Mess at 11:45 a.m., on Monday, May 11. Presentation of the awards will be made by Dr. Bruce Old, Chairman of the Laboratory Advisory Board for Air Warfare of the Naval Research Advisory Committee (NRAC).

The Michelson Laboratory Awards, "Fellow in Ordnance Science" and "Fellow in Management," were established in 1966 to recognize outstanding administrative abilities and professional excellence, demonstrating personal leadership in the furtherance of the mission of the Laboratory.

experience must have included making ar-Center personnel are invited to make reservations for the luncheon by calling Ext. 2634. The menu will be English Mixed Grill at \$2.50, including gratuity. Reservations should be in by 4:30 p.m., Friday,

Research Advisors Visit Dr. Old will be visiting the Center at this time in connection with a meeting of the Laboratory Advisory Board for Air Warfare to be held in Michelson Laboratory on Monday and Tuesday, May 11-12.

Capt. M. R. Etheridge, NWC Commander, will welcome the Board and Mr. H. G. Wilson, Acting Technical Director, will present an overview of the Center's technical programs. During the two-day meeting, the Laboratory Advisory Board will be briefed on current weaponry developments, including the transition from development to production; they will meet with key project personnel and will be taken on a tour of the facilities.

A reception will be held in honor of the Laboratory Advisory Board at 5:45 p.m., Monday, May 11, in the Plaque Room at the Commissioned Officers' Mess. Dinner will be served at 6:45 p.m.

Members of the Advisory Committee who will be attending the meeting include: Dr.

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THE FIRST DAY—"I have sworn upon the altar of God eternal hostility against every form of tyranny over the mind of man," said Thomas Jefferson. It was a belief in these principles which earned the U.S. serviceman a day of his own. Above is a reproduction of the painting that was used on the official Department of Defense poster for the first Armed Forces Day on May 19, 1951. This year's celebration at NWC is Saturday, May 9.

Scouts Gather For Exhibition

The 1970 Desert District Exposition of the Boy Scouts of America will be held in conjunction with Armed Forces Day, Saturday, May 9 beginning at 2 p.m. at Schoeffel Field on the Naval Weapons

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The theme for this year's Exposition is "The Triple E. Scout Exposition — 1970," wherein the three E's emphasized are: Empire; Expansion; and Exposition. The annual Scouting show will feature many demonstration booths where Scouts of all ages will dramatize the skills and activities of the Cub Scout, Boy Scout and Explorer

A few examples of the areas of Scouting on display will be: motorcycling; communications; pioneering; hiking; camps, and

Admission Charge

Tickets for this year's Exposition have been on sale since April 18, and may be purchased from any Cub Scout, Boy Scout or Explorer. Admission price is \$1 for adults, with children under 12 admitted free of charge when accompanied by an adult.

All uniformed Scouts are also admitted free to the Exposition. Scouts will receive one "Scout Buck" for each ticket they sell with the Scout money to be redeemable at the Exposition for prizes at a special Scout Trading Post. The prizes this year range from a neckerchief slide (three Scout Bucks) to a choice of a GE clock radio, Disneyland trip or an expense-paid week at Camp Kern (100 Scout Bucks). Scouts may also use their Scout Bucks to purchase Scout equipment at a rate of 25 cents per Scout Buck. However, the individual Scout will have to pay the tax on merchandise of this type.

Prizes from the Exposition will be awarded by a ticket drawing from tickets turned in at the main gate. A portable TV set will be presented to the

admission ticket. The Scout must be present to win. In addition, a \$50 cash award will be made to the winning Scout's

According to Scout officials, 30 per cent of the money taken in through ticket sales will be returned to the local units. Units participating in the Exposition will also earn a 5 per cent bonus. Troops, Packs and Posts can then use this income to purchase equipment or pay for activities.

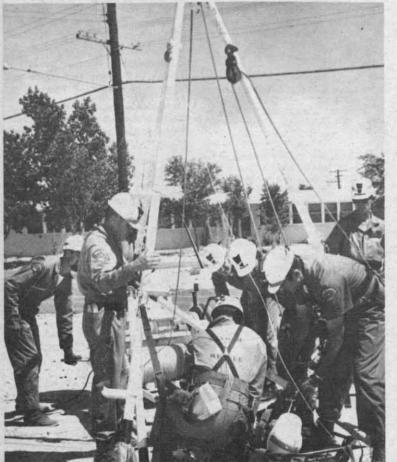
Scout units from Kernville, North Edwards, Lake Isabella, Boron and Trona are expected to take part in the show, as well as those of the Ridgecrest-China Lake area. Locations will be available at Schoeffel Field for Troops to camp overnight if they desire to do so. A total of about 35 units are expected to participate.

Court of Honor The grand finale of the day will be a Court of Honor at which a number of Scouts will be recognized for advancement in rank. In addition, all Eagle Scouts of the District will be called to the front of the as-

The flag of each unit of the district will be displayed and the Order of the Arrow will perform the official opening

Chairman of this year's Exposition is Lt. Bob Cummins of NAF. His assistants are Dave Alfsen, Participation Chairman; Bob McCarten, Publicity Chairman; Frank Haymaker, Ticket Sales and Prize Chairman; and Bill Fitzgerald, Physical Arrangements Chair-

Howard Allen and Gordon Shumway, as District Scout Executive and District Chairman, have contributed substantially toward the organization of this year's Exposition, and in addition, Allen will handle the finances and budget portion of the program.



MEN OF THE Indian Wells Valley Ground Search and Rescue Team are shown exhibiting their skills at last year's Armed Forces Day celebration. The group will have a booth in Hangar 3 at NAF this year where they will display their rescue gear to all interested persons.



Gerry Baker and talent coach Herb Childers flank bevy of Miss Ridgecrest-China Lake Pageant candidates who will be among the honored guests in the VIP seating area at the air show. In first row (I-r) are Dana Hulin, Miss NWC; Cynthia Scott, Miss NAACP; Barbara Gallaher, Miss Control Data; 2nd row, Tina Parrish, Miss Contel; Bar-

bie Bryant, Miss Ace TV; Melody Inman, Miss NAF; 4th row, Theresa Kersten, Miss Rotary Club; Linda Taylor, Miss Elks Club; and Coral Nicholson, Miss Desert Campus. The candidates will attend the Kiwanis breakfast tomorrow at the Community Center. Title winner wil be named June 6.

-Photo by PH2 D. E. Hart

The China Lake Little

League has scheduled try-

old who wish to play T-ball

tryouts at 8 a.m. Saturday,

May 16, and boys 9 years old

are asked to come to tryouts

at 1 p.m. the same day. All

tryouts will be on Little

League Diamond No. 4, op-

posite the China Lake Bowl.

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Milton U. Clauser, Director of

Mass.; Dr. Jack W. Dunlap, Sr.,

of Dunlap and Associates, Inc.,

dore P. Heuchling, Vice Presi-

Russell, USN(Ret.) of Tacoma,

Advisory Board

NWC "Open House" . . .

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lots for use in combat.

Static displays of modern Navy aircraft, helicopters, and other examples of the Navy's "aerial arm" will be on display at NAF during the period following the air show until 2 p.m., when NAF will close to

visitors.

Displays in Hangar Hangar 3, located at NAF, will feature displays which range from a Chaplain's booth, to a T-41 tank. Included on the deck of the hangar will be a Safety Department exhibit: a display of equipment by the Mountain Rescue Team of Indian Wells Valley; a Mine & Surface Rescue Team exhibit; a booth erected by the Earth & Planetary Science Department at NWC; a booth containing information regarding Ling-Temco-Vought, a spaceage company; a special ordnance display; an exhibit manned by the Explosives Ordnance Department, and a special squad of Marines from Camp Pendleton who will display field ordnance and equipment and Marine survival gear.

Visitors will be allowed into Michelson Laboratory between the hours of 12:30 p.m. and 4 p.m. Inside the lobby of the building will be weapons displays and technical information booths, featuring weapons and scientific achievements developed at the famous labora-

Boy Scout Exposition The 1970 District Boy Scout Exposition, entitled "The Tri-

outs for boys 8 and 9 years ple E Scout Exposition-1970," will be held at Schoeffel Field, or Farm League this season. across from the Station Res-Boys 8 years old will have taurant on Blandy Street, from 2 p.m. until 6 p.m.

Visitors to the exposition will see Boy Scouts, Cub Scouts, Explorer Scouts, and others, display their Scouting activities; cooking, camping, hiking, merit badges, etc., at booths arranged around the interior of

WACOM Intros Pageant Rep At Luncheon

The 1970-71 Executive Board of the Women's Auxiliary of Darien, Conn.; Mr. E. H. the Commissioned Officers' Heinemann, Vice President of Mess will be installed following General Dynamics Corporation a 1 p.m. luncheon on Tuesday, of New York, N. Y.; Mr. Theo-May 12 at the COM. Champagne punch will be served dent of A. D. Little, Inc., Camduring the social hour starting bridge, Mass.; and Adm. J. S.

Barbara Lewis, WACOM's Wash. Dr. Old is vice presicandidate for the 1970 Miss dent of A. D. Little, Inc. Heine-China Lake-Ridgecrest Pageant, mann has been acquainted with has been invited to sing as the Center since the early part of the entertainment. Or- 1950's when he served on the chids for the floral decorations former NWC Advisory Board. will be donated by Mrs. Margaret Bittner, orchid grower in Solana Beach, Calif.

IN AN EMERGENCY CALL: 446-3333

Assessments Waived

GEBA-CLMAS secretary-treasurer, Larry Mason, announces that Assessments 207-135 are waived (free) for the death of Sherold Andrews who died May 1, 1970 from pneumonia. Mr. Andrews, age 52, was employed in Code 3532, at the Center.

'Blue Angels' History, Raison D'Etre Essayed

The Blue Angels, officially Ray Hawkins took command in known as the U.S. Navy Flight December, 1952. A three-time Demonstration Team, have for 24 years thrilled millions of spectators with spectacular demonstrations of precision aero- the Pacific during World War batic and formation flying. The maneuvers, taught individually to every naval aviator during flight training, are exhibited to perfection when flown by the skillful Blue Angels in their Mach 2 Phantoms. The show, as it is seen today, has developed through the years as new techniques have evolved and higher performance aircraft have been introduced.

The original Flight Exhibition Team within the Naval Air Advanced Training Command was formed in June, 1946, at the Naval Air Station Jacksonville, Florida. Lieutenant Commander Roy M. "Butch" Voris was selected to organize and lead the original Team. The first public performance, in Gruman F6F Hellcats, was at the Southeastern Air Show, June 15-16, 1946.

The four Hellcats of the original Team performed a combat routine, pretending to "shoot down" a training plane aerial change-of-command cerepainted as a Zero. The plane spiraled downward from the "flight" trailing realistic smoke. A dummy pilot was parachuted mier, another World War II from the craft to be promptly and Korean veteran fighter picaptured in front of the onlook- lot. A double ace with 10 enemy ers by a detachment of Ma- planes to his credit, "Zeke" rines. Most of the combat ma- Cormier led the Blue Angels neuvers were performed in as they were seen by more tight formation, a style which people in 1954 than during any became the basis for the pre- previous year. sent awesome combination of high speed and tight forma- were assigned to the Blue Antion flying. The original Team gels in the winter of 1954-55. developed the famous Blue Angel diamond which has become their trademark.

Shortly after the Team was started, they shifted into the faster and more powerful F8F Bearcat fighter, which they flew until their transition to jets. Lieutenant Commander the "Annapolis of the Air," Voris was relieved as leader Naval Air Station Pensacola, of the "Blues" in 1947 by Lieu- Florida, home of the Naval Air tenant Commander R. S. Training Command. Clarke, who was, in turn, relieved by Lieutenant Com- ley, a Navy Cross winner and mander R. E. "Dusty" Rhodes. a pioneer in jet aviation, led Lieutenant Commander Rhodes the "Blues" during 1957-58, led the team through the tran- during which the Team transition into F9F Panther jets in sitioned from F9F-8 Cougars to the summer of 1949. Lieuten- F11A Tigers in mid-season. It ant Commander Johnny Magda was necessary to devote all took over as Team leader in available time between shows

was interrupted with the out- ing the older Cougars for pubbreak of hostilities in Korea. lic air shows. In June, 1950, the Blue Angels The Navy named Commanwere ordered to duty in a der "Zeb" Knott to lead the combat status aboard the air- "Blues" in October, 1958. He craft carrier USS Princeton as began his tour by leading the the nucleus of Fighter Squa- Team through 76 air shows in dron 191. Lieutenant Comman- nine months with more than der Magda, then Commanding 200 days on the road in his Officer of the new squadron, first year as Team leader. was the first Blue Angel to Lieutenant Commander Ken lose his life in combat. He Wallace, who flew the Blue Anwas shot down off Korea's gels slot position in 1954-55,

The Blue Angels were re- second tour in July, 1960, and activated at the Naval Air Sta- became Team leader in Janution Corpus Christi, Texas, in ary, 1962. late 1951 with Lieutenant Com- During 1962, the Blue An-

Navy Cross winner, Hawkins shot down 14 enemy planes while flying 154 missions in II, and was credited with materially contributing to the sinking of a 34,000-ton enemy battleship, all before his 21st birthday. He also flew 47 missions over Korea.



LCdr. H. H. Hall Blue Angels' Leader

In February, 1954, in an mony, Lieutenant Commander Hawkins was relieved by Lieutenant Commander R. L. Cor-

Swept-wing F9F-8 Cougars In this new fighter, some of today's spectacular new maneuvers were developed, the most noteworthy being the thrilling "Fleur-de-lis."

In June, 1955, the operations base for the Blue Angels was moved from Corpus Christi to

Commander Edward B. Holto familiarize the pilots with The demonstration program their new aircraft, while fly-

northeast coast in March, 1951. returned to the "Blues" for a

mander "Butch" Voris, original gels introduced the Diamond Team leader, again given the landing, the Delta landing (all organization job. With a newer six airplanes land together), and faster version of the Pan- the Farvel (basic Diamond forther, the F-9F-5, the Team un- mation but with the leader inderwent strenuous practice in verted), and the inverted Half preparation for the 1952 sche- Cuban Eight, an aerobatic sequence not given to verbal de-Lieutenant Commander A. scription, perfomed by a solo

In 1964 through 1966, Com-

mander Bob Aumack led the "Blues." The Team performed a record 87 flight demonstrations in 1965 while appearing throughout the United States, Europe for the first time, Iceland, Bermuda, Bahama Islands and the Caribbean.

Commander Bill wheat became Officer-in-Charge in January, 1967. During his first year, the team was viewed by nearly five million spectators in Europe, North Africa, the Middle East, Alaska, Canada and the United States. During a single show in Naples, Italy, one million persons watched the 'Blues" perform.

The 1968 season was the final year for the venerable F11A Tigers, yet their flashy performances continued to attract millions. The final, nostalgia-tinged

show of the year was performed before 10,000 persons at the Blue Angels Winter Training Headquarters in El Centro, California. This show and the retirement of the F11A Tigers ended 22 straight years during which the Blue Angels were continuously equipped with Naval aircraft built by the Gruman Aircraft Engineering Corporation, Bethpage, Long Island, New York. The first Phantoms, built by McDonnell Douglas Corporation, St. Louis Missouri, was flown to Pensacola by Commander Wheat on December 23, 1968.

Transition to the F4J Phantom and Winter Training began on January 3, 1969, and were completed on schedule by February 28. During the 1969 season, more than five million persons in the Continental United States, Alaska, Canada and the Bahamas Islands watched the Team perform in their spectacular new Phantoms. Many new maneuvers illustrating the tremendous performance capabilities of the F4 were added to the 1969 demonstration. The four plane trail formation and the box formation provided variations to the famous Blue Angel Diamond. The two solo pilots performed opposing and perfectly matched 4-point hesitation rolls and inverted Half

Cuban Eights. The extremely successful first demonstration season with the F4J Phantom ended in November, 1969. In Decen Lieutenant Commander Harley H. Hall, a combat veteran of the Vietnam conflict, became the 12th Officer-in-Charge and leader of the Blue Angels. Practice for the 1970 season began

on January 5, 1970. The precision maneuvers demonstrated by the 1970 Blue Angels are coordinated and continuous tactical techniques developed in practice and actual combat by Navy and Marine pilots. In carrying out this demonstration mission with the Phantoms, the "Blues" also exhibit the high-performance capability of the latest service fighter aircraft as well as the high level of training and skill

charactistics of naval aviators. Navy student pilots witness in the flight demonstration the ultimate in airmanship expect-

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COMMENDED—Capt. M. R. Etheridge, Commander of NWC, presents a citation from Commander-in-Chief of the U. S. Pacific Fleet to AOC Hamp W. Knight, Explosives Ordnance Disposal Technician attached to the Technical Officer's Staff. The citation was for "outstanding service in the performance of duties while attached to and serving aboard the U. S. S. Oriskany as Explosives Ordnance Disposal Technician from May 16, 1969 to October 31, 1969." Chief Knight, his wife Teresa and their four children have been at China Lake since -Photo by PH3 L. H. Detweiler

PROMOTIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

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ing and rescue work. Minimum Qualifica- Prasolowicz, Bldg. 34, Rm. 28, ext. 2577. ments: GS-3-High school edu-

plus 1 year of specialized experience; GS-5 1 year of general clerical experience plus 2 years of specialized experience as GS-2 may advance to 3; GS-3 may advance to GS-4 and GS-4 may advance

File application for the above with Sue Prasolowicz, Bldg. 34, Rm. 206, ext. 2577. Clerk (Typing), GS-301-3 or 4, Code 173 Incumbent acts as clerk for Financial Analysis Division. Duties include typing of financial and other reports, maintaining files, and performing general clerical duties as require. Minimum Qualification Requirements: GS-3: Completion of high school plus one year general experience; GS-4: the above plus a year specialized experience. Job Relevant Criteria and/or Selective Placement Criteria: Prefer some xperience in the budget or financial area. Advancement Potential: GS-3 may advance

Prasolowicz, Bldg. 34, Rm. 296, ext. 2577. Teller, GS-530-4 or 5, PD No. 117019, Code 1765-Collects cash and checks for against missile systems. Minimum Qualifitravel, etc. Prepares vouchers, prepares and maintains financial records. Minimum Qualification Requirements: GS-4 (Trainee) I year of general clerical experience and 1 year of specialized experience. GS-5 1 year of general experience and 2 years tion not to exceed 6 months.

Prasolowicz, Bldg. 34, Rm. 206, ext. 2577. Clerk-Typist, GS-322-3 or 4, Code 17021 -Provides clerical services for the technicians in the Paperwork Management smooth or semi smooth copy. Provides in- phone 2032. formation 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 stub 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 Selective Placement Criteria: Position requires a qualified typist with a good knowledge of English composition, familiarity with the NWC organization and local terminology, etc. Advancement Potential:

cation. GS-4-One year of fire fighting 1087-5 or 6, Code 30022-This position is experience. Advancement Potential: Pro- located in the Editorial Branch of the Sysmotion potential to GS-4 level after six tems Development Department. Incumbent Carole Cadle, Bldg. 34, Rm. 204, X-2925. tabulations for technical presentations, and Accounts Maintenance Clerk, G5-520-2,
3, 4 or 5, Code 1762 (2 vacancies)—Examiof the Branch. Executive typewriter experience desired. Minimum Qualification Re counting documents and forms, posting of quirements: As specified in the X-118, ap transactions to accounting records, cor- plicants must possess 1 year of general exrection of errors on postings, entries, com- perience and 2 years of specialized exputations, balances, etc. Minimum Quali- perience to qualify for the 5 level and fication Requirements: GS-2: High school one year general and 21/2 years of specific graduate, GS-3 High school graduate plus cialized experience to qualify for the 6 year of general clerical experience, GS- level. Job Relevant Criteria: Ability re-4: 1 year of general clerical experience quired to prepare technical reports in pressready format, prepare vugraphs and table lations for technical presentations. Must stated in X118. Advancement Potential: and engineering terms and nomenclature. Engineering Technician (Drafting), PD No

230029, GS-802-5, 6, 7, 8, or 9, Code 3012 ment. Incumbent will provide mechanica and electronic layouts, drafting and work with Branch Engineers as a design drafts, Minimum Qualification Requirements: Shall have a minimum of four years experience in mechanical and electrical drafting and (layouts, checking and mathematics) to qualify for this position. Advancement Po tential: To the GS-12 level based on ability

Air Operations Specialist, GS-301-9, Code ate and control aircraft and related air File applications for the above with Sue craft activity involved in the operations of the Electronic Warfare Complex, required for studies of coun special deposits, jury duty fees, advance cation Requirements: As specified in the X-118, 3 years general experience and 2 years specialized experience. Job Relevant Criteria: Incumbent must have at le three years of progressive experience in flight-oriented experimental test operations, and must be familiar with radar systems, of specialized experience. Temporary posi- electronic instrumentation (both aircraft and ground), and computer systems. Advance-File application for the above with Sue ment Potential: This position has advancement potential to the GS-13 level based on incumbent's ability to fulfill job re-

File applications for above with Mary Group, Central Staff. Types directives from Morrison (Code 657), Bldg. 34, Rm. 210,



Center Fosters Unique Philosophy Of Operation, Management Approach

appreciate a visit to the Naval Weapons Center more fully, it is necessary to explain the nature and scope of the uniqueness of the Naval Weapons

Friday, May 8, 1970

Recently, the Center celebrated 25 years of direct involvement in the business of Research and Development activities that have led to a significant list of achievements and milestones (See "NWC Milestones," this page).

Through the years, this effort has resulted in many dynamic contributions to the defense posture of the country and, indeed, to the entire international scientific commun-

The Naval Weapons Center (known as the Naval Ordnance Test Station from 1943 to 1967) has two missions - a continuous, broad mission that describes its goals and capabilities in general terms (see below), and a changing mission that describes what the Center is doing at present and what it hopes to accomplish in the fu-

The fixed mission is to provide new and improved weapons for the Fleet so that it can better meet its responsibilities.

The Center's capabilities to do this cover a broad spectrum from research through weapon development to test and evaluation, assistance to industry in production, and assistance to the Fleet in training and

The Navy, however, operates in a changing world — its functions change, and consequently the Center's working missions must be readily adjustable to new needs. Over the years since the establishment of NOTS in 1943, these working missions have changed

The successful record of the Center has been based on a unique broad concept of R and D management (aboard a military installation) that utilizes a combination of the creativity and education of the university trained Scientist or Engineer and the military training and experience of the fleet-oriented naval officer.

The net result of such teamwork has been an approach that starts with a concept that includes applied theory and practical knowledge.

The basic organizational structure of the Center has been shaped by the expanding technical programs and by the perspective gained from the experience of over 25 years of trial and error. Details have changed, but the broad concept of military-civilian teamwork in the technical and administrative areas of responsibility has served the Center well up to the present time.

In its twenty-seventh year, the Center's management team includes the Center Commander, a senior naval officer, who has primary responsibility for the operation of the entire Center; the Technical Director, the Deputy Technical Director, the Executive Officer, and the Officer-in-Charge of the Corona

The Technical Director is responsible to the Commander for the planning and execution of the Center's technical programs, assisted by the Deputy Technical Director, in direct supervision of the respective technical departments. The Executive Officer at China Lake and the Officer-in-Charge of the Corona Annex coordinate the work of the supporting departments with the Center's technical programs.

of the Commandant, Eleventh Naval District, San Diego, the center has been operating under the management and technical control of the Chief of Naval Material since 1966.

spective fields.

The genius of NWC has

The achievements of NWC men and women who have merited special recognition span the total spectrum of Center programs - from time and cost savings and safety improvements to major contributions in weapon concepts and

Center - sponsored day classly at the Center.

ed by the Navy and is built on government property, it is op-As a permanent naval activ- erated under the command of ity under the military control the Center Commander, who

For its accomplishments in

Weaponry, the Center has received world-wide recognition. Each year it is host to a number of distinguished visitors from high military and scientific circles of the United States and foreign countries. In addition, Center personnel represent the Navy in national and international scientific conferences and are recognized as authorities in their re-

been from the first the quality of its people and the climate of innovation and freedom for independent research fostered by the Center's philosophy of

es and management seminars have led to opportunities for professional development; and undergraduate and graduate courses leading to degrees in the physical sciences, engineering, or public administration have been offered regular-

The China Lake community, an experiment in desert living, has played a large part in the history of the technical experiment it was built to support.

Since the community is own-



H. G. Wilson **Acting Technical Director**

is responsible for the welfare tions, the Center recognizes of its 12,000 residents.

The military - civilian partnership operates at the community level, too, with the administration of housing and other community operations through the civilian Communi-Relations Office and with full participation of the residents in community affairs.

It is difficult to predict what the Center's future specific working mission will be, but the facilities and capabilities which it now has available allow a wide range of possibilities for consideration.

And, in adjusting its changing mission to meet new situa-

that there may not yet be a clear understanding of what is to be accomplished through limited military operations.

Nevertheless, the Naval Weapons Center is ready and capable of accepting its part of the challenges of the future, regardless of their scope.



Naval Weapons Center Mission

The Naval Weapons Center is a major laboratory of the Chief of Naval Material. Its formal mission is to conduct a program of warfare analysis, research, development, test, evaluation, systems integration, and Fleet engineering support in naval weapon systems, principally for air of science and technology.

Established in 1943, the Center was known as the Naval Ordnance Test Station until July 1967. Over the years, the Center has applied its scientific creativity and engineering skills in the fields of rockets, guided missiles, underwater ordnance, aircraft fire-control systems, and limited-warfare weapons.

Present Center assignments include analytical and experimental derivation of advanced concepts for total weapon systems and the technical management of major system development projects as well as other facets of research and technology. Also, the Center provides engineering services required for successful production of new systems and their introduction into the fleet.

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A4A PROTOTYPE—One of the first sights visitors to the Center will see on Armed Forces Day is the A4D aircraft on display year-round at Switzer Circle. The Douglas fighter plane was the third production model of what is now known as the A4A aircraft. It is mounted with a type of ordnance that has been developed at NWC.

China Lake Celebration Features Airpower Display, Exhibits

'Blue Angels,' First Public Chaparral Firing To Top Event

The Blue Angels and the most explosive firepower demonstration in America—that's what visitors will see at the NWC Armed Forces Day Air The show is scheduled to be-

Air Facility's Armitage Field. The NAF gates will open to the public at 8:30 a.m. and during the period before the air show, the NAF road will be one-way toward the field. After the playing of the Na-

tional Anthem to open the show, Capt. M. R. Etheridge, NWC Commander, will welcome visitors and introduce the candidates for Miss Ridgecrest-China Lake pageant. The flight demonstrations

will commence with a flyby by the Angeles Antiquers, a group of antique airplane buffs who have bought and restored aircraft from pre-World War II days. Following the fly-by, the aircraft will land and will be displayed for the public.

Next on the program is the firepower demonstration by pilots from the various units at NWC. Firepower demonstration organizers, Maj. Bill Stein have lined up a 16-aircraft show to demonstrate the aircraft and weapons in use by

Included in the program are a high-speed pass by the F-8 and F-4, a napalm drop, and firings of the Sidewinder and Chaparral missiles

According to the Army Liaison Office, the Chaparral firing will be the first demonstration of this missile for the gen-

Also included will be demonstrations of a number of air-toground bombs and rockets, as well as formation jet flybys and rescue and spotting demonstrations of the UH-1E helicop-

ter and the OV-10 aircraft.

The final portion of the air show will be the flight demonstration by the Blue Angels, after which visitors will be able to talk to the aviators and see the planes on the

a full array of airplanes used by the Navy and Air Force, static displays located at NAF will include the Navy's P-3 and S-2 aircraft and the Air Forces F-100, F-102, F-104, F-105, F-106, F-5, and T-33.

Visitors will receive an air show program at the gate. During the show, restroom and refreshment facilities will be available. Music will be provided by the Fifth Marine Expeditionary Brigade Band from

VX-5 is in charge of preparations for the air show under the direction of Cdr. Barr Stevenson, overall coordinator of NWC Armed Forces Day.

LCdr. Dan Monger and Lt. Ray Clary are responsible for arrangements for visiting participants and dignataries.

Lt. Ron MacDonald, Lt. Rick Williams, and LtJG. Cynthia Saunders are in charge of publicity, visitor services, and en-

Traffic control and security are being coordinated by CWO2 Norm Bensene and ASMC Charlie Beck respectively, while Ens. Art Critser is in charge of public address sys-



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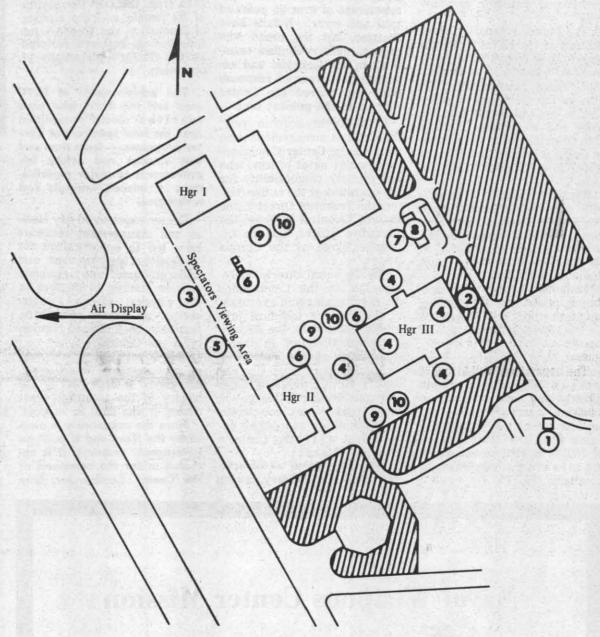
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Refreshments

8) First Aid

General Parking



Angeles Antiquers To Display Aircraft

the restoration of vintage aircraft, will take part in the Armed Forces Day celebration at China Lake by flying and displaying 12 venerable aircraft during the air show at NAF.

While the world continues to advance technologically in flight techniques and space travel, the members of the Angeles Antiquers pursue their hobby in order that the youth of today and future generations will know and appreciate the role that some of the great old planes played in aviation his-

Most of the antique aircraft are of steel tube, wood and fabric construction and date back to the late 1920's and 30's. Included in this outstanding collection are open cockpit bi- tucked away in the dark corplanes, monoplanes, classic ca- ners of an old barn or hanger. bin planes and even an antique Many hours, even years of seaplane. Powerplanes range work have gone into restoring from water-cooled Curtiss them to their original condi-OX-5's of World War One to tion.

The Angeles Antiquers, a the more powerful air-cooled ts dedicated to radials that at one time, re presented a revolutionary development in aircraft power. Cruising speeds for these old birds varies from 70 to 120 miles per hour.

The personal backgrounds of many of the Angeles Antiquers are as impressive as the planes themselves. Included in the membership are former barnstormers, airmail pilots, test pilots, bush pilots and airline captains. Equally represented are pilots with less related occupations, such as salesmen, mechanics, plumbers and ar-

Many of these antique planes were resurrected from long neglected hulks of once beautiful airplanes that had been overgrown with weeds or found



1927 DEHAVILLAND GYPSY MOTH-This venerable aircraft, which belongs to airline captain Bud Gurney, is one of twelve antique vintage aircraft that belongs to members of the Angeles Antiquers, which will

take part in the Armed Forces Day celebration Saturday, May 9, at NAF. The Angeles Antiquers are a group of pilots dedicated to the restoration of vintage aircraft. Visitors to China Lake will see the aircraft displayed.

Michelson Laboratory Lobby And Hangar 3 House Exhibits

Safety Department during Armed Forces Day.

open to the public from 12:30 p.m. until 4:30 p.m., with displays of the work being done at the huge facility.

Named for Dr. Albert A. Michelson, the first American to win the Nobel Prize for Physics, the Lab is the focal point of the Center's activity.

The exhibits will highlight weapons that have been developed at the Lab and will include a special exhibition that includes a supersonic sled that has been used in a variety of tests by the Center.

Safety Exhibit

The Safety Department has lined up a full show in Hangar 3 at NAF. The exhibit will be open from 8:30 a.m. until 2:30 p.m., and will show work that is underway by the department to keep accidents on the Center at a minimum.

Included in the displays will be examples of safety equipment and instruments used to test for harmful effects of radiation or toxic and explosive

The department will also give away a door prize at its exhibit. The winner will receive his choice of a pair of safety shoes or a motorcycle helmet.

Throughout the morning the department will show films of safety techniques and photographs of the effectiveness of safety precautions. Rescue Team

Also on display for visitors to Hangar 3 will be climbing gear and rescue gear, in a booth

Films and exhibits will high- manned by the Mountain Reslight the presentations of the cue Team; a display by the Michelson Laboratory and NWC Earth & Planetary Sciences; a display from Ling-Temco Vought; a special ordnance dis-Michelson Laboratory will be play; and the Explosives Ordnance Department will man a booth which will explain ordnance and handling techniques.

In addition, a Marine squad from Camp Pendleton will display ordnance equipment and Rescue will show their equipment and techniques of rescue.

Also on display for visitors will be a T-41 tank, located at

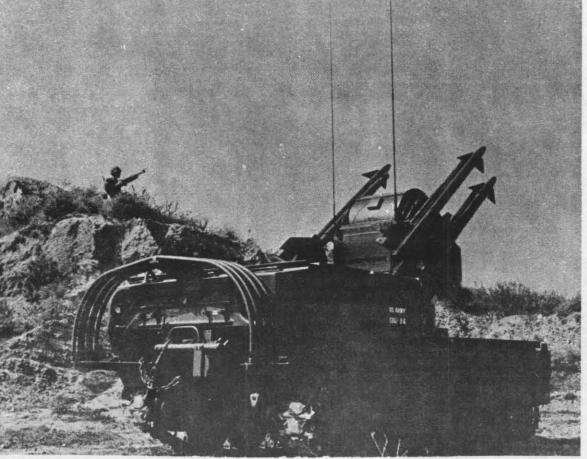
In addition, the Chaplains of NWC will have a booth at the north end of the hangar.



WEAPONS EXHIBIT BUILDING-Persons visiting the Weapons Exhibit Building, located next to the Maturango Museum, will see weapons systems developed at NWC

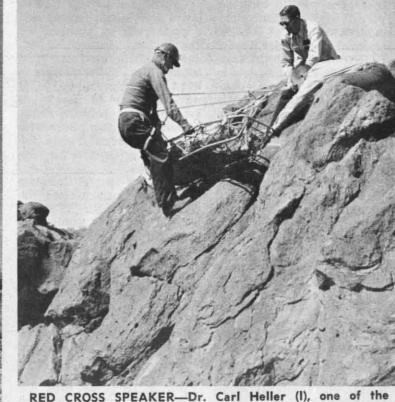
since the Center's inception in 1943. In the at area maps and photos, as well as some of the weapons housed in the exhibit building.





CHAPARRAL-Visitors to the Armed Forces Day Air Show at NAF will witness the first public firing of Chaparral which is the U. S. Army's newest ground-to-air missile system. Developed by the Aeronutronic Di-

vision of Philco-Ford, and NWC, the Chaparral firing will be just one segment of an air show calculated to thrill the thousands of visitors at NWC this weekend for the annual celebration.



RED CROSS SPEAKER-Dr. Carl Heller (I), one of the founders of the Mountain Rescue Group at NWC, will be the featured speaker at the annual meeting of the Indian Wells Valley Branch of the American Red Cross. The meeting will be held Wednesday, May 13 beginning at 12 noon in the COM. The photograph shows Dr. Heller and an unidentified member of the Mountain Rescue Group using a litter basket during a practice session. The Mountain Rescue Group will display this basket, as well as other rescue gear, at a booth located in Hangar 3 at NAF Armed Forces Day.