

### Shooting Incident Takes Life Of Dr. Carpenter

The Bakersfield College Theater 27 Desert Campus production of "Oliver" was rocked by tragedy this past Wednesday evening as a result of a shooting accident in connection with rehearsal of the last scene of the play.

In the scene, Dr. Wayne Carpenter, playing the part of Bill Sykes, was shot to death. Details regarding the actual events that took place on stage are still being investigated by the Kern County Sheriff's office.

Richard A. Jones, Dean of the local college, expressed extreme grief over the accident, as well as apprehension regarding the causes



Dr. Wayne Carpenter

that contributed to the slaying. "The production is in the hands of highly reliable professional people who were intelligently staging all aspects of the scene in question. Blanks were definitely being used in the gunshot sequence and it is still a highly obscure mystery as to what type of projectile actually penetrated the victim's body."

Dr. Peter Pinto, a physician associated with the Drummond Medical Clinic, who happened to be at the College that evening on

another matter, accompanied the victim to the hospital in the ambulance. "I never did get a pulse" he reflected. "He was dead on arrival at the hospital."

According to Dean Jones, the future of the production, which was scheduled to be presented in the Burroughs Lecture Center on March 26, is to say the least, uncertain. Tentative plans are to cancel the production.

Dr. Wayne Carpenter was employed in the Research Department of the Naval Weapons Center as an Organic Chemist. Most recently, his work was involved with important studies in conjunction with Dr. Giorgio Soli of NWC, that dealt with the Navy's efforts in the area of oil pollution.

Dr. Carpenter has been employed at the Center since May, 1959. He received his Ph. D. just prior to that time from the University of Illinois.

Dr. Carpenter resided on the Center at 52-B Sellars, where he lived with his wife, Willis, and their six children.

### Murray Parents Issue Plea For Book Donations

A plea for books of any kind has been issued by the Music Parents Club of Murray School, who will hold a used book sale in front of Shopping Bag Market Saturday, March 27. All proceeds from the sale will be used to send eight music students to Camp Arrowbear.

Any person having old books they wish to donate to this worthwhile cause are asked to call Phyllis Earle, 375-4719, or Jean Backman, 440-2325.

**CARE USE EASTER SEALS**  
MARCH 1st TO APRIL 11th



NOW SEE HERE!—Cast members of "Here Lies Jeremy Troy," the first production of the year by the Community Light Opera and Theatre Association, rehearse on a specially-constructed two-story set, the first ever in the history of Indian Wells Valley little theater groups. The set was designed by David Chapman and is being built by Pete Leet, and Ed Romero, director of the play for CLOTA. Cast members are, beginning on top, left to right: Sandy Schaper, Jack Lindsey, Barbara Hintz, Nancy Hoyem and Bob Griffon.

### Ballet Celeste Coming

The San Francisco "Ballet Celeste," will return to China Lake on March 29, to present its second performance at the Center Theatre. Much has happened to the Ballet Celeste since its last performance here. This company has toured half the world, including a six-state trip in the West, and in the Far East.

Their debut was at the City Hall

Theatre in Hong Kong, followed by a short series of programs in the Philippine Islands. The main event, however, was the company's engagement at EXPO '70. No other ballet troupe from the United States was invited to perform at the multi-scale show. Fifteen performances were presented by the troupe and many honors were accorded the dancers, including the Key to the City of Osaka.

On the local stage, the Ballet Celeste will perform several delightful ballets, including "Les Sylphides," the famous "white" ballet; "Les Patineurs" (the skaters), and the famous Black Swan Pas de Deux, from "Swan Lake."

This last dance will be done by two of the young stars from the Far East Tour, Kimberly Graves and Daniel Copich. Both have been acclaimed for their accomplished artistry.

Tickets, priced at \$1.50 and \$3, can be obtained at the Center Pharmacy in China Lake, and at the Gift Mart, Loewen's, and Ace-TV in the Sierra Vista Shopping Center, in Ridgecrest, or at the door on the night of performance. The curtain goes up at 8 p.m.

### SHOWBOAT

MOVIE RATINGS  
The objective of the ratings is to inform parents about the suitability of movie content for viewing by their children.  
(G) - ALL AGES ADMITTED  
General Audiences  
(GP) - ALL AGES ADMITTED  
Parental Guidance Suggested  
(R) - RESTRICTED  
Under 17 requires accompanying Parent or Adult Guardian

FRI 19 MARCH  
"FINIAN'S RAINBOW" (145 Min)  
Fred Astaire, Petula Clark, Keenan Wynn  
7:30 p.m.

(Musical) With memorable lulling tunes this tells of an Irishman and his daughter who follow their rainbow from Erin to the Southeast USA where he buries a pot of gold stolen from a leprechaun. (G)

SAT 20 MARCH  
—MATINEE—  
"PERILS OF PAULINE" (98 Min)  
Pat Boone  
1:00 p.m.

Short: "Three Little Woodpeckers" (7 Min)  
—EVENING—  
"THE VAMPIRE LOVERS" (91 Min)  
Peter Cushing, Dawn Addams, Ingrid Pitt  
7:30 p.m.

(Horror) The Karnstein castle is the center of evil and where the undead rise each night to seek the blood of victims, but Baron Harlog seeks vengeance on them and he drives stakes thru all but one—and she becomes re-incarnated! (R)

Short: "Thar She Blows" (17 Min)

SUN and MON 21-22 MARCH  
"THERE WAS A CROOKED MAN" (123 Min)  
Kirk Douglas, Henry Fonda  
7:30 p.m.

(Western-Comedy) Bawdy, violent rough-house western has jailed badman, Kirk, being offered release for half of his hidden loot until a new warden, Fonda, takes over. (R)

TUES and WED 23-24 MARCH  
"CATCH 22" (120 Min)  
Alan Arkin, Paula Prentiss, Orson Welles, Jon Voight  
7:30 p.m.

(Satire) CAPT. Yossarian was a SA bombardier caught in an insane situation—it he's crazy he must be grounded. BUT he has to ask to be grounded and any man who wants out of combat can't be crazy—and can't be grounded! It's an anti-everything film where high comedy and stark realism blend with uncertainty. (R)

THURS and FRI 25-26 MARCH  
"BURN!" (112 Min)  
Marlon Brando  
7:30 p.m.

(Adventure) Professional opportunist is hired to foment a Caribbean revolution to forestall a sugar monopoly and he succeeds only to be hired ten years later, ironically, to destroy the very movement that he previously had created. (GP)

Short: "Ants In The Pantry" (7 Min)

The Commissary Store will be closed for inventory Monday, March 29. The store will open for business as usual Tuesday, March 30, from 10:30 a.m. until 5:30 p.m.

### Jolly Roger Set For Big Opening

Bob Furey, manager of the Jolly Roger (the EM Club) announces the grand opening celebration of his club this weekend by booking the popular "Chain of Fools" headed by Doug Spires. Music for dancing will be played from 9 p.m. until 1:30 a.m. on Friday and Saturday, March 19 and 20.

## RAdm. McClellan Is COMNAVAIR

### Relieves RAdm. T. J. Walker, Newly-Appointed COMNAVAIRPAC

Rear Admiral Thomas R. McClellan, 49, a naval aviator and World War II veteran of destroyer and carrier operations in the South Pacific has been named to head the Naval Air Systems Command. He relieves Rear Admiral Thomas J. Walker who will soon take command of all naval air forces in the Pacific Fleet. The change of command takes place on 1 April.

In his new assignment, Admiral McClellan will command a multi-billion dollar complex which develops all aircraft and airborne weapon systems for the Navy and Marine Corps. The organization includes more than 55,000 people engaged in air systems work throughout the world. Notable achievements of the Command include the development of the F-4

awarded a master of science degree in June 1947. He has commanded two patrol squadrons, a Fleet Air Wing and a Carrier Division, and served afloat in the carriers TICONDEROGA and YORKTOWN. His shore duties include assignments in the Bureau of Aeronautics, the Requirements and Developments branch of the Joint Staff and as liaison officer to the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Born in Gatesville, Texas, Admiral McClellan lived in Waco, Texas and attended Waco High School and Baylor University prior to entering the Naval Academy in 1939. Graduated in 1942 from a course accelerated by the war, he reported to the destroyer USS MUGFORD and saw action during the Guadalcanal-Tulagi landings, Lae and Finschhafen occupations, Bismarck Archipelago operation and the occupation of Saidor. In the carrier YORKTOWN he participated in the Philippine and Okinawa campaigns and the first strikes against the Japanese home islands. He later commanded the assault transport ROCKBRIDGE and has served as Deputy Commander and Comptroller of the Naval Air Systems Command prior to his new assignment.

Admiral McClellan is married to the former Jane Atkinson of Waco. They have three children—John Clay, Susan Scott and Thomas Robert McClellan.



RAdm. T. R. McClellan

PHANTOM, the P-3 ORION, the A-6 INTRUDER and the attack A-7 CORSAIR II. The new F-14 fighter and the S-3 antisubmarine warfare aircraft are currently under development.

Admiral McClellan brings a wealth of aeronautical experience to his new post. Following World War II, he returned to the Naval Academy for postgraduate instruction in aeronautical engineering. He later continued his studies at the California Institute of Technology where he was

### Washington Liaison Office Moves Again

The NWC Liaison Office, in Washington, D.C., has moved to Room 1258, Jefferson Plaza No. 2 (same building). The new telephone numbers for the office are: OX 2-8573-4-5 or OX 2-0857, which are temporary until "phone work" can be accomplished.



RETURN ENGAGEMENT—"Les Sylphides," the famous "white" ballet, will open the special return engagement to be presented here by San Francisco's famous "Ballet Celeste," slated for March 29 at 8 p.m. in the Center Theatre. For more details, see page 8.



MICHELSON DISPLAY PLANNED—D. T. McAllister, curator of the Michelson Museum, and Dr. Jean Bennett, of the Physics Division, plan one of the displays of Michelson memorabilia from the Museum collection to be exhibited at the Optical Society meeting in Tucson, Arizona April 5-8. Seven displays are planned featuring Michelson's

awards, velocity of light experiments, either drift experiments, pages from his notebooks, personal glimpses, and other topics. The exhibit shown on the table is of Michelson's two ruling engines, and includes a precision screw and other items from the Museum collection.

—Photo by PHI D. C. Mandersheid

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## Henry Wair Steps Down As Credit Union President After 14 Years

The Board of Directors of the NWC Federal Credit Union hosted the annual dinner and installation of officers Thursday, March 11, at the Hideaway. Guests from areas representing the Credit Union's field of membership and representatives from the local financial and business community joined the Credit Union staff in giving the new officers of the Board of Directors their best wishes for a successful year.

New President  
Leading the Credit Union for 1971 is the newly-elected President of the Board, I. Bruce Wertenberger. Wertenberger, who is a native of North Dakota, has been at NWC since 1953. He graduated from Jamestown College in North Dakota, and his Post-Graduate work was done at the State University of Iowa where he was listed in "Who's Who in American Colleges".

Wertenberger is active in the local society of ASPA (American Society of Public Administration) and the China Lake Civic Concert Association, serving as President of the Concert Association in 1965-66. In 1965 he was listed among the Outstanding Young Men in America; and his present position at NWC is Head of the Data Reduction Branch of the Assessment Division of the Systems Development Department.

Wertenberger served on the Supervisory Committee from 1965-67, the last two years as Chairman. He was appointed to the Board of Directors in the fall of 1967 and has served continuously since then.

Wair Ends 14 Years  
Wertenberger succeeds Henry H. Wair, who remains on the Board

of Directors, but is stepping down as President after successfully piloting the Credit Union from 1957 to 1971. During Mr. Wair's term as President, the progress has been no less than phenomenal: assets have been increased from \$858,303.00 to over \$11,000,000.00, and membership has grown from

Accounting Department to On Line-Real Time computers was completed, which will further increase the potential for anticipating and covering members needs. It will also promote greater efficiency in operation and provide up-to-the-minute information on member accounts.

Wair will continue to serve on the Board of Directors as Chairman of the Education Committee. It is due to the dedication of individuals who are willing to serve on a purely voluntary basis that the Credit Union concept of highest service at minimum cost has been made a reality. Prior to his term as President, Mr. Wair served on the Credit Committee for three years and on the Board of Directors for one year as a member. He has been at NWC since 1950, and became Head of the

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2000 persons to over 8000 participating members. Illustrating the span of growth in his fourteen years as President, the Board of Directors has been increased from five to seven members, and the Credit Committee from three to five members plus six alternate members. The dividend rate has been increased from 3½ per cent to 6 per cent for the entire year of 1970; and the Credit Union quarters were moved twice to more expanded housing facilities.

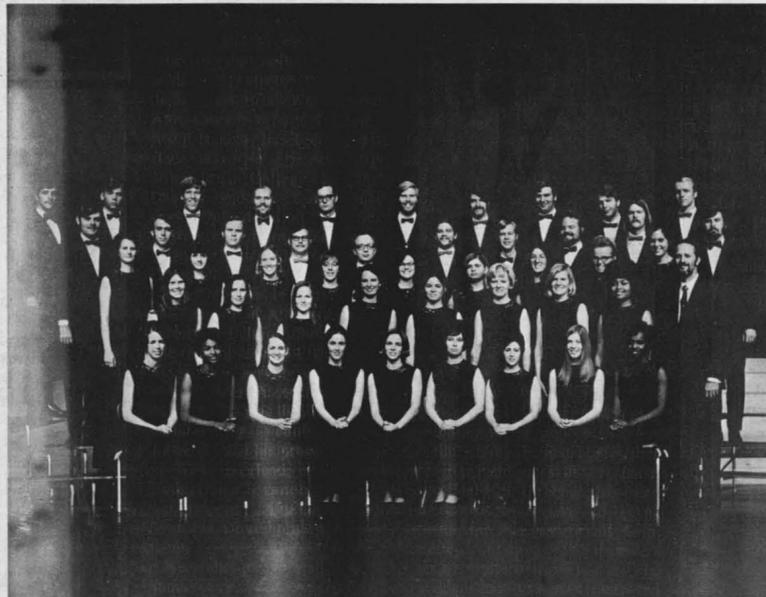
Also during Wair's service as President, the conversion of the



Bruce Wertenberger



Henry H. Wair



TO PERFORM HERE—The a cappella choir of Chico State College will present a concert on Friday, March 19, at 8 p.m. in the Burroughs High School lecture center. The choir's appearance at Burroughs is part of its annual tour throughout California in an expanded program of concerts.

The group, under the baton of Ralph W. Wadsworth, associate professor of music at the college, will present selections from every period of music. There is no admission charge and the public is invited to attend.

—Chico State Photo

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### PROMOTIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

Applications for positions listed in this column will be accepted from current NWC employees and should be filed with the persons named in the ad. All others desiring employment with the Naval Weapons Center may contact the Employment Division, Code 452, Extension 269. Current applications (SF-171) or Standard Form 172 should be submitted bringing your work history up to date if one has not been submitted within the last 4 months. The fact that positions are advertised in this column does not preclude the use of other means to fill these positions. Part of the ranking process of those listed 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 nonmerit reason.

Physicist GS-1310-9 or 11 Code 4563—This position is located in the Weapons Systems Branch, Warhead Division, Propulsion Development Department. Duties include exploration and applied research of fuel air explosives. Job Relevant Criteria: Must have experience in the physics of mechanical systems. Minimum Qualification Requirements: As defined in CSC Handbook X-118. Must have BS in Physics.  
General Engineer, GS-801-9 or 11, Code 4543—This position is located in the Weapons Systems Branch, Warhead Division, Propulsion Development Department. Major duties in development of fuel air explosives weapons. Job Relevant Criteria: Must have mechanical engineering background with some experience in aerospace missile field. Minimum Qualifications: Requirements: As defined in CSC Handbook X-118. Must have BS in Engineering.

File above applications with Pat Gaunt Bldg. 34, Room 202, Phone 2723.

Clerk-Typist, GS-322-03, PD No 7130011AAM1, Code 3052—This position is that of a Clerk-Typist in the Electronic Warfare Branch of the Countermeasures Division, Systems Development Department. The purpose of this position is to provide ECHO Range personnel clerical services in receiving, cataloging and distributing data collected and processed from flight tests conducted at ECHO Range. Qualification Requirements: As stated in the X-118 CSC Handbook. Advancement Potential: To the GS-4 level.

File above applications with Beverly Saiger, Bldg. 34, Room 212, Ext. 2514.

Supervisory Accounting Technician, GS-525-8, Code 1761—This position is Head, General Ledger and Cash Control Section, General Accounting Branch, of Central Staff. This position is responsible for the functions of the Section which are to maintain the NIF General Ledger and substantiating records using proprietary and accrual accounting practices; prepare financial statements on financial conditions and operating results of the NWC Navy Industrial Fund (NIF) and the status of the cash account; control cash transactions processed through finance centers and other activities; reconcile cash registers with Navy Comptroller records; analyze and coordinate documentation for entry into the cost accounting system and the NIF General Ledger. Minimum Qualification Requirements: 2 years general and 4 years specialized & 1 year of experience at next lower grade. Advancement Potential: GS-9 level. Job Relevant Criteria: Thorough knowledge of well-established accounting principles and practices; the NIF accounting system, including system and account relationships; the NIF financial management program; and the numerous guidelines covering accounting operations. Be

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COMMITTEE SELECTS ARTWORK—Ruth Mayer, Jack Durk and Ida Davis (l-r) select a desert painting which will be displayed in conjunction with the 25th Annual Wildflower Show, May 1 and 2, at the Community Center. The paintings from the Desert Art League members and other local artists will complement the western mining town motif, and will form the background for the show itself.

### CENTER LIBRARY LISTS NEW BOOKS

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

#### FICTION

- Braine—View from Tower Hill.
- Douglas—Dealing.
- Gavin—The House of War.
- Guthrie—Arfive.
- Hill—Lonesome Traveler.
- Karmel—An Estate of Memory.
- Laumer—The World Shuffler.
- Leason—They Don't Make Them Like That Any More.
- McKinley—Follow the Running Grass.
- Mather—The Break.
- Pace—Afternoon of a Loser.
- Read—Monk Dawson.
- Reeman—Greatest Enemy.
- Rennert—A Moment in Camelot.

#### NON-FICTION

- Barber—Broadcasters.
- Beard—How to Eat Better for Less Money.
- Chevalier—I Remember It Well.
- Dankin—Chariots of the Gods?
- David—What the World Needs Now.
- Della Femina—From those Wonderful Folks who gave you Pearl Harbor.
- Dowling—Coach: a Season with Lombardi.
- Durant—Interpretations of Life.
- Epstein—Great Conspiracy Trial.
- Hollis—Holy Places.
- Hoopes—Winslow Homer Watercolors.
- Just—Military Men.
- Longstreet—War Cries on Horseback.
- Mehta—Portrait of India.
- Slater—The Pursuit of Loneliness.
- Stevenson—Zanek.
- Teale—Springtime in Britain.
- Wormley—Many Shades of Black.
- Smith—Ghosts Around the House.
- Stevenson—Zanek.
- Tuchman—Stilwell and the American Experience in China.
- Wilhelm—Guide to Mexico.
- Willcox—Modern Leather Design.
- Wylie—Sons and Daughters of Mom.



"SEW 'N GO"—Young ladies of Girl Scout Cadette Troop 430 model some of the fashions to be seen in the "Sew 'N Go" fashion show sponsored by the Troop Sunday, March 28 at Vieweg School Auditorium. Door prizes will be awarded and

refreshments will be served. Tickets are priced at 50 cents. Persons desiring tickets may call Catherine Donoghue, 446-3378, or Mrs. Simmons, 446-5154. The public is invited to attend.

—Photo by PH2 D. E. Hart

### Wair Steps Down As Credit Union President

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Metric Electronics Branch of the Systems Development Department in 1959. Although professionally Wair is a Supervisory Electronics Engineer, he is probably best known to IWV residents by his avocation—he is a leading member of the Society for the Preservation and Encouragement of Barber Shop Quartet Singing in America.

#### Other New Officers

Installed also for 1971 was Vice-President William R. Hitt. Hitt is an Engineer-Technician in the Systems Development Department and has been in the area since 1954. He is active in many organizations, including the Navy League, and is a new 1971 member of the Kern County Grand Jury.

The Incoming Secretary is William J. Baker, who is Head of the Procurement Division of the Supply Department. Baker was Chairman of the Supervisory Committee before coming to the Board of Directors; and he is finishing a year as President of the local Kiwanis Club.

Warren G. Stelmiller will continue as Treasurer in 1971. Stelmiller, who has been in the area for over nine years, is an Auditor with the Internal Review Staff. He enjoys golf and he participates in many of the local tournaments.

Roy R. Rafalovich is the new Chairman of the Supervisory Committee, and William A. Arriola will chair the Credit Committee.

#### Solid Institution

Brief speeches by Wertenberger and the Committee Chairmen revealed the Credit Union as a stable financial institution, which last year paid dividends of 6 per cent for all four quarters of 1970 and with assets currently totalling eleven million dollars.

The new President listed as challenges to meet in 1971: the need for more space, more service to members, and research on devices for handling the increased volume of business at the counter and in the loan department.

Wertenberger closed the meeting with several presentations to Henry Wair evidencing appreciation for his years of service as President of the Board.

Arrangements for the dinner were made by Mrs. Evelyn See, the retiring Vice-President of the Board, with the help of Mrs. Kathy Meinking, Mrs. Evelyn Hullin, and Mrs. Cathy Sticht, Credit Union staff members.

Since its organization in 1947 the NWC Federal Credit Union has evidenced a steady growth in assets and membership and an increasing record of services to members. Founded on the philosophy of "helping others help themselves" by making credit more available to persons of limited financial means and providing savings and loan benefits at best possible rates of interest and lowest possible cost under the non-profit method of operation, the Credit Union now serves a membership of 8000 persons.



MAYOR KICKS-OFF CAMPAIGN—Mayor Ken Smith, left, of Ridgecrest, purchases a Family Package plan from Jack Lindsey, to kick-off the current Community Light Opera and Theatre Association's 1971 "Patrons of the Arts" campaign. The Family package (\$20) consists of two season tickets and a listing as a CLOTA Patron for the Smith family. Other plans available, including regular season tickets for \$5, are a Business patronage, for \$15; a single season ticket, for \$3; a single package plan for \$15; a Life Membership in CLOTA for \$100; or Patronages, which sell for \$10. Slated for production in 1971 by CLOTA are "Here Lies Jeremy Troy," "Music Man," and "Fiddler on the Roof." Persons desiring to purchase one of the above plans are asked to contact any member of CLOTA.

### Look Into The Past

(Editor's Note: Incidents of note that were reported in past issues of the ROCKETEER that were highlighted 5, 10, and 20 years ago will be featured in this column of the publication beginning this week. The feature will be a continuing feature of the ROCKETEER from now on.)

#### 20 Years Ago . . .

Plans for expansion of the Naval Ordnance Test Station were outlined at the recent Kern County Chamber of Commerce Roundtable at Bakersfield by Capt. Walter V. R. Vieweg, Station Commander. He reported that the Station will eventually increase its present annual expenditure of \$30,000,000 for research to \$52,000,000.

#### 10 Years Ago . . .

The third in a series of successful CATSHELL "double-shots" was completed recently involving a unique method of soft recovery of an artillery shell. The tests were conducted on the Station's SNORT Range . . . . . Veteran NAF pilots LCDrs. Walt Henning, Andy Berthelson, and NAF drone aircraft controller LCDr. John McIlmoil, saved the taxpayer and the Navy an estimated \$100,000 by their quick thinking and skill when they safely landed an F9F-6K drone aircraft after it was hit by a missile over G-Range.

#### 5 Years Ago . . .

Janice Hukel of the Supply Department was named Miss Ridgecrest . . . . . NOTS was visited by RAADM. Elmo R. Zumwalt, Jr., and General Curtis LeMay, USAF (Ret.).

### Youth Center To Conduct \$1 Car Wash

A "car wash" will be conducted by members of the China Lake Youth Center Teen Club on March 20, from 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m., at the Fedco Service Station on the Center.

The donation of \$1.00 will cover a thorough wash and interior cleaning. Owners will be required to do all necessary moving of their vehicle.

Funds from the car wash will be used by the Teen Club for future programs.

### MDISL Volleyball

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Nellis	11	1
Norton	10	2
Edwards	9	3
29 Palms	5	7
Barstow	3	9
China Lake	2	10
LAAPS	2	10

George AFB did not participate.



HELP FOR CAMPERSHIPS—PTA officers Don Raef (l) and Kathi Drake (r), discuss plans for the "Fractured Follies of '71" with Bob Pinney, Follies Chairman. The talent revue is scheduled for the nights of April 23 and 24 at the Burroughs

### Employee In the Spotlight



Bill Erwin

Bill Erwin, of the Graphic Arts Branch in the Technical Information Department, is the first NWC employee to be interviewed in a newly established weekly ROCKETEER feature, Employee in the Spotlight.

Erwin was recently awarded a third place in a national graphic arts contest, sponsored by the Technical Illustrators Management Association for his China Lake Community Council Logo. The contest was open to any institution or agency which dealt in the graphic arts.

TID, headed by K. H. Robinson, entered three separate designs for Erwin in the competition. All three were accepted for judging, however, the Logo was Erwin's only winner.

Erwin has been employed at TID since August of 1969. A graduate of the University of Arizona, in Tucson, with a Bachelor's Degree in Advertising Design. While an employee with Creative Associates, Bill entered a contest sponsored by the St. Regis Paper Company, and won a packaging design award.

Prior to coming to NWC, Erwin had his own advertising art service.

Bill married his high school sweetheart, Carol, who now

teaches at Groves School. He presently teaches ceramics at the Desert Campus, Bakersfield College, and has taught Two-Dimensional Design and Figure Drawing at the College.

The couple reside at 720 N. Fairview, in Ridgecrest.

Persons who know of any NWC employee who might make an interesting addition to this feature are asked to contact the ROCKETEER, by writing Code 7504. Please do not telephone.

### Assessment Waived For Death Of Ludwig Hendrickson: GEBA

GEBA-CLMAS secretary-treasurer, Larry Mason, announces that Assessment 225-153 will be waived for the death of Ludwig Hendrickson, who passed away March 14, at the Ridgecrest Community Hospital. Hendrickson, age 62, succumbed to a heart attack. He was a retired employee of Code 5545 of the Naval Weapons Center.

Assessment 225-153 is the third successive assessment to be waived; however, all members are advised to make certain that they

have paid Assessment 222-150, which is long overdue. Addresses of members and beneficiaries should be up-dated by notifying the secretary of any changes.

All Corona transferees are invited to join the two associations which pay beneficiaries a total of \$1,000 upon the decease of a member. Members who retire from Civil Service may retain their membership and pay assessments by mail. For further information, call Larry Mason at 375-2846 after 5 p.m.

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### DIVINE SERVICES

Protestant (All-Faith Chapel)—  
Morning Worship—10:00 a.m.  
Sunday School—9:30 a.m., Chapel Annexes  
1, 2, 4 (Dorms 5, 6, 8) located opposite Center  
Restaurant.

Roman Catholic (All-Faith Chapel)—  
Holy Mass—5:00 p.m., Saturday (Fulfills  
Sunday obligation); 7, 8:30 and 11:15 a.m.  
Sunday.

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

Confessions—4 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.

### McQueen Shoots 798 With Hdcap. For Singles Crown

The singles and doubles events of the annual Men's City Bowling Tournament are history. Red McQueen, a 160 average bowler who competes in league at Ridgcrest Lanes, blasted out a 698 scratch series, which, when combined with this 100 pins handicap, gave him a 798 total, good for first place and \$100.

Dick Bauers, who earlier had combined with Jim Kincheloe for a 1338 total and the doubles crown, rolled a 685 series scratch, and a 751 with handicap, earning him second place money (\$80) in the singles.

Ron Shargots finished third with 705 and Hal Moore garnered fourth place with a 699 total.

In the doubles, R. C. Jones and Jim Bowen made a run at the 1338 posted by the hot NAF duo missing by only 7 pins when Bowen came up with a 5-10 split in the final frame of the final game, going 9-out. The two Hall Memorial Lanes bowlers (they both work there) tallied 1331, good for second place in the doubles and \$90.

Bauers and Kincheloe split \$120, which gave Bauers \$140 for his two hours work. Warren Turnbaugh and Vic Black took third in the doubles, and split \$60.

All Events Leaders  
It just might be possible that the 1971 running of the Men's City Tournament might be renamed the "Dick Bauers' Fund," for that personable young Chief from NAF also leads the All Events, both singles and handicap. His 1254 total scratch is five pins ahead of Hal Moore's posted score of 1249, the Bauers' 1378 with handicap leads Red McQueen by 12 pins.

The tournament continues tomorrow and Sunday with team events at the Ridgcrest Bowl.

### Pony League Tryouts Slated

Tryouts for 13-year-old Pony League baseball players will be held Saturday, March 20 on the Center's Pony League diamond.

Also, the registration period for all ages, 13 through 17, has been extended. The special registration will be held in conjunction with this Saturday's tryouts.

A special invitation to register is extended by League President "Robbie" Robbins to 15, 16, and 17-year-olds. Since there are now only enough Colts for three full teams, 17-year-olds will be allowed to play during the regular season.

The tryouts will be for boys whose birthdates were August 1, 1957 through July 31, 1958. Boys whose last names start with A through M will try out at 8 a.m. Boys whose last names start with N through Z will try out at 10 a.m.

Since it is essential that managers have an opportunity to rate every player, boys who do not try out will not be eligible to play during the league season, Robbins stressed.

However, Robbins said an alternate tryout time will be arranged for those boys unable to try out at the scheduled time and date if the player will call player agent Del Mathias at 375-9027.

All Pony-Colt players have been given tickets to sell for the league's annual pancake breakfast.



**BURROUGHS' RECORD HOLDER**—Steve Sievert sails over the bar during a workout recently in preparation for the Palmdale Relays, which he won with ease. Sievert recently broke the 12'3" pole vault record at Burroughs with a jump of 12'6". The senior student, according to coach Joe Dominguez, should reach 13'6" this season. He was the Golden League "B" champ last year and, in addition to the win at Palmdale, has also won at Victor Valley. The Burroughs track team, composed of members of A, B and C thinclads, won the Palmdale Relays with 85 points. Apple Valley was second with 60 points.

### Volleyball Squad Finishes Sixth in MDISL Meet At 29 Palms

All weekend long, the China Lake volleyball team resembled the Santa Fe track layers who couldn't hold the railroad ties together—no spikes.

The result was a disappointing sixth-place finish for China Lake in the Mojave Desert Interservice League volleyball tournament last weekend at 29 Palms.

"We recovered the other teams' shots well, and our sets weren't bad. But just couldn't hit a spike to save our lives," said coach Gabe Imer after the team had completed the two-day tournament, won by defending champion Nellis AFB.

Third-place finishers a year ago, the NWC squad lost all hope of an improvement early in the tournament by losing its first six games, two each to Barstow, Nellis and Edwards.

However, they recovered in Saturday's fourth match to overhaul Los Angeles Air Force Station twice.

Trailing 14-11, China Lake pulled out a 16-14 triumph as Jack Andrews served five straight winners.

In the second game against LAAFS, Dick Sullivan served six straight points to give China Lake a commanding 13-7 lead. Chuck Jones' drop shot ended the 15-9 victory.

Still hopeful of a fourth-place finish, the NWC team began Sunday's matches against eventual runner-up Norton AFB. After losing the opener, 15-4, China Lake rallied in the second game.

Matching Norton point-for-point to a 10-10 deadlock, China Lake

seemed set to play the spoilers as they took a 13-10 lead on Bill Knight's block shot, Jerry Kissick's drop shot and Jones' block.

But Norton took the serve and momentum carried them past the China Lakers, 15-13.

### Major League Tryouts Diamond 4 Sat., 8 A.M.



**TENNIS WINNERS**—Mike Knox, Mike Peacock, Chuck Beatty and Ted Ribuffan, (l-r), recently scored victories in a Golden League pre-season tournament held at Victor Valley High School.



### Dalpiazz Rolls 652 To Pace Hot Premier

Ken Dalpiazz hit 244 and 652 to lead the Premier League scoring last Monday, followed by John Dowd, who scored 228, 214 and 201 for a 643 series.

Jack Brown, who rolled a 604, had a nice 256 game and R. C. Jones shot a 238 enroute to a 632 series. Earle Roby bowled 627 and Dick Bauers had 611.

Other high games: Craig Rae, 233; Bill Tomaras, 236; Jim Peck, 226; Jim Brewer, 237; and Bill Pinckney, 236.

Allied Automatic Vending rolled a 2969 to set the season high series mark and B&F Liquor shot a 1055 single game.

**Midway League**  
The Budgets dominated the bowling Tuesday by having high team scratch series of 2764, high handicap team series of 3,274, high individual scratch game series of 1037, and high handicap game of 1207. Spearheaded by Ed Sopke with 255-656, and Rex Kaylor with 288-646 the team now holds high handicap series, high scratch game, and high handicap game. Sopke's series was good for second high in the league over-all, and Kaylor's 288 is the second highest game of the year in the league.

Norm Woodall, a 154 average kegler, rolled a 201, 193, 173, 567 series.

**Ding-a-Lings**  
Mary Shepard rolled a 206 game and a 558 series to lead the individual scoring last week. The Stardusters had a 763 for high game and the Go-Getters rolled a 2164 series.

**Supply Dept. Mixed**  
Brad Royer had games of 202 and 226 enroute to a 605 series for high men's series, while Ann Brady rapped out a 482. Barbara Beyer was close with a 473. Norma Diede had a 173 game while Ann Brady's 179 was the high mark.

**Desert League**  
Dick Evert had a 630 series on games of 201-219-210. John Dowd rolled a 233 and a 622. Dick McLaughlin had a 263 game and

Larry Peabody a 235. The Sumco team had a 1087 scratch game, 1195 with handicap. Their 3171 total was good for the night also.

**Koffee Klutchers**  
Lori Boyd rolled the high game for the league on the year with a 222 stellar effort, and hit 552 for high series total. Mary Shepard had a 213 and Peggy Preston a 200.

**Women's Scratch**  
Sue Lewis was high with a 612 series, including a 246 game, while Rosie Pelley took second with a 555 series. Joyce Paulson had a 216; Sherry Ray 202; Maggie Branson, 201; Rosie 201; and Patty Maxwell, 200.

Angie Damico had a 519 series and Joyce Zurn, 529. Maggie hit 527, Shirley Hartman and Joyce Paulson, 516 and Pat Maxwell, 505.

**Wed. Nite Handicap**  
Wilma Johnson rolled a 248 game and a 619 series to lead all the scoring last Wednesday. Connie Evans shot a 229 with a 570, and Donna Hitt also rolled a 570. Myrtle Snyder rolled a 539 and Pat Maddux shot a 217 game. Mary Jane Clark accomplished an all-spare game, 181.

### Record Turnout For Annual Dewing Classic

More than 150 golfers, the largest turnout for a tournament in China Lake history, are entered in the 3rd Annual Dewing Classic, April 7-9 at the China Lake Golf Club.

The tournament is designed to give any military man (even those playing for the first time) a chance to enjoy three days of golf and win prizes as well.

At the end of the final round, totals for all 54 holes will decide the prize winners in each flight.

The three-day tournament begins Wednesday, April 7, 7:30 a.m. tee-off times and concludes Friday with an awards banquet and dance at 6 p.m.



**NAF AMD OFFICER**—Cdr. Harrison Mathew Moore, a graduate of San Jose State and the USN Post Graduate School, at Monterey, recently reported aboard to assume the duties of AMD Officer at NAF. Cdr. Moore's last duty station was in Spain where he served as Maintenance Officer and Operations Officer with VQ-12. He and his wife, Jean, have two children: Kerry Jean, 11, and Todd Mathew, 5. Cdr. Moore has been awarded the DFC, 2 National Commendation Medals, and 6 Air Medals, among other decorations.

### GI Home Loan Guaranty May Be Restored: VA

Servicemen who have used their GI home loan guaranty may have it restored if, through no fault of their own, they were forced to sell their homes for reasons of health, employment, condemnation proceedings of Federal, State or local governments, or other compelling reasons.

The Veterans Administration said that the VA must be released from liability on the original loan before entitlement can be restored. This is usually done by paying off the guaranteed loan in full, officials said.

The VA also will restore eligibility if the property was destroyed by fire or other natural hazards.

Other reasons for restoring loan benefits servicemen and veterans include:

1. Limited space in the serviceman's home, if a doctor certifies it is a health hazard. (An increase in the size of his family is not in itself sufficient grounds for restoring the loan entitlement, officials said.)
2. Loss of employment through a reduction-in-force, or curtailment of activities in the occupation where he is employed—if suitable employment is obtained in another locality.
3. Transfer of employment from one locality to another by the Veteran's employer.
4. Voluntary change of employment to another locality offering the veteran more income and opportunity for advancement—provided satisfactory evidence is furnished VA.
5. Retirement of a veteran, or transfer of a serviceman by his military department while he is still on active duty.

### Guidelines Offered On Home Study Courses

Because the Department of the Navy encourages the development of individual skills and talents by the use of home study type courses, some guidelines and information pertinent to the different kinds of courses available through the NWC Training Center are listed for interested NWC personnel.

These courses serve a useful purpose in making training available, particularly when there is limited demand for training, or when the activity is geographically removed from education institutions, or the capability for providing the instruction is not available locally.

The NWC Training Center has available material from primarily five different sources to help satisfy these needs, including: NAVFAC, Norfolk, Virginia; ECI, Gunter Air Force Base, Alabama; MCI, Washington, D.C.; The U.S. Army (Various schools across the country); and the Department of the Navy, Scotia, N.Y.

The Departments of Navy, Army and Air Force have agreed upon certain policies with respect to joint use of and participation in extension and military correspondence course programs. Most of these courses are provided free of charge to military and-or civilians. A properly endorsed enrollment application (NWC Form 12410-28) from the individual through Department Channels to Code 654 is all that is normally needed to enroll an employee.

Many of these courses today are providing skills for the Center Prejourneyman Development Programs in Public Works. So far, Plumbing Shop, Carpenter, Electrician, Electrician (Lineman), Automotive Mechanic, Heavy Duty Equipment Mechanic, Joiner, Machinist, Machinist (Maintenance), Gas Heating Equipment Mechanic, Refrigeration and Air Conditioning Mechanic and Power Plant Controlman trainees are using this form of instruction for trade theory.

After enrollment, the student is expected to complete the course within one year. Although this sounds like adequate time, for any number of reasons, it sometimes isn't enough time. If a student does not complete a course within a year and fails to notify Code 654 two weeks before the end of the year's time limit, that student will not be able to take another course from that school for one year from the date of discontinuance for non-participation by the school.

These courses are not meant to be easy and do require time and effort. There is no monetary penalty for failure to complete a course, however, only the loss of gaining an additional personal skill.

All schools grade each lesson as it is completed and issue a certificate of completion when the course is satisfactorily finished.

**Private Courses**  
The Center realizes that individuals want to learn as much as possible for promotion and job proficiency reasons, and several people have asked about the possibility of the Center picking up the cost of private correspondence courses. This is a possibility under the

concept of tuition refund. However, the approval to enter into such an agreement must be obtained from Code 654 before any contracts are made. This approval is necessitated by: The conditional nature of using private correspondence courses to meet training needs of Center employees; the availability of similar, if not more complete courses in certain areas from government sources; the Navy's criteria employees must meet before taking any training course.

If approval is granted, the student pays the cost of the course and upon satisfactory completion, will be reimbursed the costs.

Persons who decide to enroll in a private correspondence course are asked to insure that the school is accredited by the National Home Study Council. This council is sanctioned by the Department of Health, Education and Welfare to maintain certain standards of excellence for schools to maintain in providing reliable courses. Students of private correspondence courses are cautioned in that they can receive no credit for the course if it is not accredited, and, additionally, cannot be refunded the money spent for the course.

Most of the courses offered by the government have trade, labor and technician orientation. There are professional development courses offered by the U.S. Army and Navy Officer's Correspondence School, but they are limited.

Interested persons should check Code 654's catalogs to see what exactly is offered, for the total number of courses available are too numerous to list.

### School Board Schedules Two Special Meets

At the March 15 meeting of the China Lake School District board of trustees, Administrative regulations for the policy on Absence, Witness Supoena for both certificated and classified employees were accepted, effective immediately.

In other business, Donald Knauf was selected as the assistant principal of the 1971 summer program.

Two special meetings, one for Monday, March 22 and one for Tuesday, March 23, were called by the board. The March 22 meeting will be a joint session with the IWV School District, and will take place at 7:30 p.m. at the James Monroe School. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss central food service and other items of mutual interest.

On March 23 the board will meet in executive session on personnel items. CLEA representatives will meet with the Board in this session, which will be held in the district office conference room.



**MEETS COMPETITOR**—Barbara Lewis, Miss Ridgcrest-China Lake, congratulates Bernice Gramlich, the new Miss San Bernardino, following the latter's title win last Saturday night. Both girls will compete for the title of Miss California in Santa Cruz, June 12-20.



**NAVY WIVES BENEFIT GIRL SCOUTS**—The China Lake Navy Wives Club presented the proceeds of their recent bake sale to the local Girl Scouts of America. L-R, Donnie Goettig, China Lake Neighborhood Chairman of Girl Scouts, accepts the check from Diann J. Pottorff, Vice President of the China Lake Navy Wives Club. —Photo by PH3 Ronald Gray Mills, USN



**DIRECTORY NOW AVAILABLE**—Charles M. Nilsen, left, Chairman of the United Fund Social Service Committee, presents a copy of the Indian Wells Valley Resource Directory (Social and Public Services) to J. H. McGlothlin, Public Affairs Office, representing NWC, and Phyllis O'Lane, president of the United Fund presents Mayor Kenneth Smith, of Ridgcrest, a copy of the directory. The Directory is a listing of public service organizations that specialize in a broad range of social and public services. Copies are available in libraries, schools, churches, City, State and County offices, hospitals and agency offices.

# NATIONAL POISON PREVENTION WEEK

MARCH 21-27, 1971

## Questions and Answers On

- Q. What is the first thing a parent should do when an accidental ingestion of a potentially toxic substance occurs or is suspected?**
- A.** She should contact her physician or emergency room of the local general or children's hospital. If some other adult is present, the latter might do the calling while the mother reads the label for appropriate first-aid measures. Of extreme importance is the need to get adequate information quickly and not wait "to see if anything happens." It is of equal importance not to panic or rush.
- Q. What substances are most frequently involved in childhood poisonings?**
- A.** The largest group includes the many medications found in all our homes. The medicines most frequently involved are the analgesic-type (pain-killing) compounds for children and adults.
- Q. How can this aspect of accidental poisoning be minimized?**
- A.** Use as directed. Read the label. Take medicines out of the view of youngsters so that they won't be tempted to imitate. Turn on the light when giving or taking medicines. Store internal medicines separately from other household products. Refer to medicine as medicine; not candy. Ask the pharmacist if there is an expiration date for the medicine, and write it on the label. Ask him, also, if he has a safety-type closure he can put on the container, and learn how to use it. Get rid of prescribed medicines once the patient recovers. Flush them down the toilet, rinse the container, and then discard.
- Q. Is there some way to determine if a prescription medicine, accidentally taken by a child, is dangerous?**
- A.** If the name of the medicine is given on the prescription container, call your doctor for instructions. If the name is not given, give the doctor the name and telephone number of the pharmacy which filled the prescription, for whom it was written, and the prescription number stamped on the label. He can then determine what was taken and then give proper instructions.
- Q. Is it true that a child can die if he swallows some oral contraceptives?**
- A.** Oral contraceptives are hormones taken by women to prevent pregnancies. They exert their effect by a regular alteration of normal body functions. However, there are no reports of serious illnesses among children who ingest as many as a month's supply.
- Q. Is there anything being done by way of package design to make it more difficult for children to get into these hazardous substances?**
- A.** The United States Senate has passed legislation (S.2162—Poison Prevention Packaging Act) which would authorize the Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare to require certain products to be packaged in safety containers which would be difficult for a child to get into. As of this date, the House of Representatives has not yet acted on this bill.
- Q. What is a poison control center?**
- A.** A poison control center is a unit, generally located in a hospital, which provides to physicians information on the toxic aspects of medicines and commonly-used household products; and recommends treatment when the misuse of these products causes injuries. Most centers also have treatment facilities. In many areas, the poison control centers will provide information to the general public; in others, its service is restricted to medical and medically-allied personnel. A check should be made with your physician, pharmacist, or health department to find out what local policies are.
- Q. Why is there no poison control center in my community?**
- A.** The centers are authorized by the official health agency of the respective State governments. They are inaugurated when a need is demonstrated. With the availability of rapid telephone communication, the absence of a poison control center in a community is not the liability one might expect, at first thought. In fact, there are areas where the multiplicity of centers can be a drawback to efficiency.
- Q. There have been several reports that keeping things out of reach of children is not the primary key to preventing poisoning accidents. Could you comment on this?**
- A.** Several reputable research authorities have indicated that there are psychological, emotional, and situational factors present which impel certain youngsters to swallow potentially hazardous substances—and that these factors are apart from the

natural tendency of children to place things into their mouths. The variance among the differing approaches is in what motivates a child, and, in which direction preventive activities should be focused. All authorities agree that efforts should be made to keeping medicines and household products out of reach of children.

**Q. Manufacturers of baby aspirin have been restricting the number of these pills to 36 (1 1/4 grain) per container. Has this reduced the number of aspirin poisonings among children?**

**A.** This voluntary program on the part of producers of flavored aspirin is an example of the Industry's efforts to reduce poisonings from the misuse of their products. Since this program went into effect in 1967, reports of hospitalizations due to ingestions involving baby aspirins have declined about 30 per cent. The total number of ingestions, however, has declined very little.

**Q. If poisoning accidents occur to children because they can reach the products, how do we account for poisonings among infants?**

**A.** Parents often (unwittingly) are responsible for such incidents. When taking a medication from the cabinet in an unlighted room, they may mistake a container of the same size, shape, and color, with the intended one. By not reading the label, they may give an overdose. Also, by storing some products in food-related containers, contents may appear similar, increasing the possibility of error.

**Q. Some safety closures on medicines have been reported to be effective in keeping children out but also have been difficult for elderly people, or those with arthritic conditions, to open. Is this fact being considered?**

**A.** Producers of these safety closures are taking this factor into account in their design and testing procedures. The legislation referred to above (S.2162) also makes allowance for special packaging conditions to meet these situations.

**Q. Is there any way the manufacturer can reduce the hazardous chemical properties in such products as automatic dishwashing detergents and furniture polish?**

**A.** Actually, there are many brands within each of these categories which do not present the serious hazard that certain automatic dishwasher detergents and furniture polishes do. Pay particular attention to the label before buying.

**Q. Do all household products carry warning labels?**

**A.** Only those hazardous substances which may cause substantial personal injury or substantial illness during, or as a result of, any reasonably foreseeable handling or use, including reasonably foreseeable ingestion by children.

**Q. What are some things a parent should know in anticipation of a poisoning accident?**

**A.** Have on hand the telephone number of your doctor, your pharmacist, and the poison control center and find out if the latter will take calls from the general public. Check with your doctor about getting Syrup of Ipecac, which is used to induce vomiting. Know these basic first-aid procedures:

DO NOT force the child to vomit if the product swallowed contains petroleum, lye or caustic, or if the child is unconscious or convulsing. Read the label. Contact your physician or the nearest hospital emergency room to determine if vomiting should be induced in other instances.

**Q. Are there any particular precautions one should take in disposing of used containers of furniture polish and pesticides?**

**A.** Containers of household cleaning and polishing substances should be rinsed before discarding. In the case of pesticide containers, they should be buried at least 18 inches below ground. (Before burial, cans, with the exception of aerosols, should be punctured; glass containers should be broken.) These, and other containers such as bags, should never be burned because of the possibility of toxic smoke.

**Q. Is it true that lead poisoning is caused by children eating paint?**

**A.** Lead poisoning among children is generally associated with their eating over a period of time, dried paint chips found in old homes. A child eating fresh paint on one occasion will not be affected.

**Q. What is the situation regarding the lead content of paints being used in interiors of new housing construction?**

**A.** Paints currently sold for interior use contain less than 1 percent lead.

## Details Told On NWC Trial Retirement

Involuntary separations for discontinued service retirement have been taking place at the Naval Weapons Center since April, 1970, to help minimize the need of manpower reductions due to imposed ceiling restrictions. The time limitation is currently June 30, 1971. Center employees have been notified of the requirements to be met and procedures for requesting discontinued service retirement as they become eligible.

Further information on the provisions of trial retirement or discontinued service retirement may be obtained from Department Personnel Management Advisors.

Trial retirement and involuntary separations for discontinued service retirement have provided a more liberal retirement procedure at the Naval Weapons Center.

The Navy's Trial Retirement Plan permits employees who secure approval and are eligible for optional retirement to try retirement for a year with the option of returning to work at the same grade or rating and salary step (except those in supergrade positions who must return at the GS-15 level). The Naval Weapons Center adopted the plan in 1969.

Any employee accepted into the Trial Retirement Plan must notify the Activity in writing 60 days prior to the end of one year. If such request is not received by that time, the employee is automatically permanently retired.

Upon return to employment, the annuitant must meet all regulatory qualification requirements including the physical for the type of appointment and position to which being appointed.

Employees who are eligible for disability, discontinued service, or mandatory retirement are not eligible for participation in the Navy's Trial Retirement Program. Also, those on notice of investigation for misconduct cannot be considered for trial retirement.

Roland W. Reynolds, formerly of Code 5556, was the first Center employee to receive trial retirement in January, 1969. He chose to remain in retirement. Since that time seven employees have elected and been granted trial retirement. Only two have returned to employment. The majority of the small number taking part in this program found that they preferred retirement.

The merits of the Trial Retirement Plan are currently being evaluated by the Office of Civilian Manpower Management on the basis of two years of operation. When statistics are compiled, it is expected that a report of findings will be issued.

## Social Security Rep. At Community Center Wednesday, March 24

All China Lakers with questions about Social Security provisions may contact a representative from the Administration here next Wednesday, March 24.

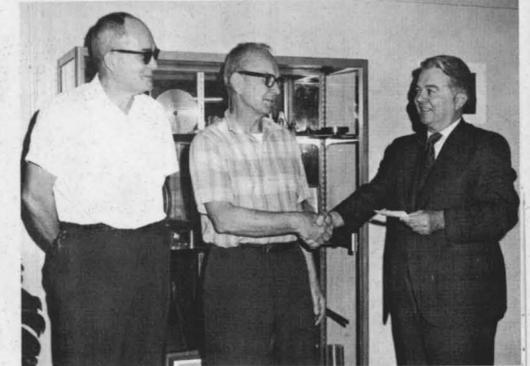
He will be at the Community Center from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m., and is available for consultation.

# Deserving Awards Made During Past Week



**SPECIAL SERVICES HONORS HELPERS—Mr. and Mrs. Steve Etheredge, Mrs. and Glenn Harbin and Mr. and Mrs. Dick Mahan (l-r) were recently presented plaques from Marty Denkin, right, Youth Center director, for their help at**

chaperoning dances. In addition, they were honored for their involvement in other Youth Center programs, including girls softball, basketball and baseball.  
—Photo by PH3 Ronald Gray Mills, USN



**THIRTY YEARS FEDERAL SERVICE AWARDS—F. L. Chenault (r), Head, Engineering Department, recently presented 30-year Federal Service pins to (l-r) Melvin Ennis, instrument maker; and to Walter Pieper, model maker, during award ceremonies held in the department office. Both recipients are in the Shop Branch of the Mechanical Division.**



**HONORED BY ESB—C. John Di Pol, right, Chairman of the Employees Services Board, presents a plaque to Jack A. Richards, center, in recognition of Richards' having served as Chairman of the ESB in 1962, 1963 and 1964. Dr. C. J. Thelen, left, was similarly honored for having served as Chairman in 1964 and 1965.**



**CODE 40 AWARDS—Frank Knemeyer, left, Head, Weapons Development Department, recently presented awards to four Code 40 employees. They are, left to right, Mrs. Lorraine Lutjens; Gary**

Rainwater; Conrad Neal; and Leonard Haugen. C. P. Smith, Head, Infrared Systems Division, looks on.  
—Photo by PH2 D. E. Hart

## PROMOTIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

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able to instruct and supervise.

File application for above with Mary Morrison, Bldg. 34, Rm 210, Phone 2032.

Accounting Technician, GS-525.4, Code 1742—This position is in the Cost Accounting Branch of Central Staff. Is responsible for the functions of the unit which are to control and maintain cost accounting records and subsidiary ledgers for all Naval Weapons Center travel and related transportation costs chargeable to the Navy Industrial Fund (NIF).

Minimum Qualification Requirements—2 years of general experience and 2 years of specialized experience (6 months of which is directly related) as stated in X-118.

File Application with Mary Morrison, Bldg. 34, Rm 210, Phone 2032.

Clerk GS-301-3.4, PD No. 470009 AMI, Code 723—Position is located in the Engineering Division, Public Works Department. The incumbent receives and processes requests for improvement projects, military projects, and controlled maintenance projects from Maintenance Control Division and is informed on all other engineering being performed in the Division. The purpose of this position is to furnish clerical services for the work reception function of the Division Office Management Program. Qualification Requirements: GS-3—One year of appropriate general experience; or education and/or experience as allowable in X-118; GS-4—Two years appropriate experience; or education and/or experience as allowable in X-118. Advancement Potential: GS-5 level.

File applications with Dora Childers, Code 57, Room 210, Phone 2393.

Electronic Engineer (General) GS-855-12 Code 5532, PD No. 7155006—Position is that of a Senior Electronic Engineer in the Systems Electronic Branch. Incumbent's major duties include test, evaluation, design and development responsibilities in the area of electromagnetic compatibility (EMC). He will function in all of the following engineering areas: Instrumentation, Test and Evaluation, and Electromagnetic Fields and Antennas. Responsibilities also include significant planning, administrative and liaison duties as the Center's representative in the DOD EMC Programs and in the EMC community in private industry. Minimum Qualification Requirements: As outlined in CSC Handbook

X-118, 3 years of professional experience in the appropriate subject-matter field, 1 year of which must have been comparable to the next lower grade. Job Relevant Criteria: Experience in electromagnetic propagation, fields and antennas. Knowledge and understanding of instrumentation techniques and equipment. Demonstrated ability to plan and implement technical programs.

File applications for above with Joan MacIntosh, Code 657, Ext. 2371.

Electronics Technician, GS-454-07, PD No. 7130012, Code 3043—Position is located in the Systems Development Department, Instrument Development Division, Electro-Mechanical Branch. Duties include the design, fabrication, testing, evaluation and modification of electronic hardware and electro-mechanical components related to control systems under the cognizance of the Branch. Minimum Qualification Requirements: Two years of general experience and one year of specialized experience or equivalent education as outlined in X-118. Job Relevant Criteria: Thorough knowledge of mechanical design and experience in the field of electronics.

File above applications with Beverly Saiger, Room 212, Bldg. 34, Ext. 2514.

THE NAVAL WEAPONS CENTER, CHINA LAKE, CALIFORNIA ANNOUNCES A COMPETITIVE PROMOTION EXAMINATION FOR FOREMAN, ELECTRICIAN (LINEMAN), WS-28006-10. CANDIDATES FOR THIS POSITION MUST FILE CARD FOR NAVEXOS-1558B, STANDARD FORM 172 AND EMPLOYEE INFORMATION SUPPLEMENTAL SHEET WITH THE SPECIAL EXAMINER, CODE 652, CHINA LAKE, CALIFORNIA, TO BE RECEIVED OR POSTMARKED NOT LATER THAN 5 APRIL 1971. FORMS MAY BE OBTAINED IN THE PERSONNEL BLDG., ROOM 100, CHINA LAKE.



**RED CROSS TRAINING UPDATED—L-R, standing, A. G. Frew, Assistant Director, Service to Military Families, American Red Cross (Western Area); and Dave Richards, Supervising Field Director for NWC and Edwards Air Force Base; met this week with (l-r) Mrs. George Silberberg, Vice-Chairman of Volunteers; Mrs. Ben Tozer, Chairman of Volunteers, ARC, Indian Wells Valley; and Mrs. Fred Chenault, Chairman of Casework Volunteers—Local Red Cross caseworkers—to update training of local volunteers. Locally, caseworkers assist military individuals, families and veterans in a variety of emergency situations.**

## Museum Presents Cowper Lecture On Indians

Mrs. Dorothy Cowper, of Pasadena, will present an illustrated lecture on "Riverside County Indians, Past and Present" as a joint program sponsored by the Matungo Museum and the Mojave Sierra Archeological Society.

The program will be held in the Weapons Exhibit Center of the Museum on Monday, March 22, at 7:30 p.m. Mrs. Cowper became interested in the Riverside Indians, who mostly belong to the Cahuilla tribe, when she was living near them. She has interviewed and studied them, and is currently attempting to help the tribe members get along better with their white neighbors.

Mrs. Cowper has a B.A. in art with a minor in natural sciences, has taught art and natural history at the USC summer school at Idyllwild, and has also served as docent at the Southwest Museum. She has been interested in archeology since 1947 and is a charter member of the Archeological Survey Association of Southern California.

The lecture is open to all.

**PREVENT FOREST FIRES**

## CANCER CONTROL MONTH

APRIL 1-30