

Navy Helicopter To Assist In Santa's Arrival

With a helpful assist from the Navy, Santa Claus will make his initial pre-holiday appearance in Ridgecrest next Friday morning, Nov. 24, at the Sierra Vista shopping center on N. Norma St.

On this date, which is a school holiday (following Thanksgiving), a Navy helicopter, with old St. Nick aboard as a passenger, will set down at 9:30 a.m. in the Grant's Department Store parking lot.

Through arrangements made by the Ridgecrest Chamber of Commerce and the Roadrunners—a merchant group in Ridgecrest—Santa will have gifts of candy for children who are present to greet him, and will then be available to talk to youngsters throughout the remainder of the day at the Grant's Department Store toyland.

Book Week . . .

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experiences is basic to the enjoyment of reading by young people. The Center Library houses a wide array of tales from other lands and of other ages that make interesting and informative reading and listening for all. Simple plays and poetry books are available for those who like to share their reading pleasure. Also available is a large selection of Christmas stories—both traditional and modern—that lend themselves well to family reading.

Older children tend to be "doers," and the selection of craft and collection books for young people grows each year. Among the more interesting of recent publication are "African Crafts for You to Make" by D'Amato and "Pinatas" by Brock.

New ideas for every youngster, regardless of skill level, can be found in the children's non-fiction section of the Center Library. Adults with little experience at a given craft may wish to explore this area before moving into more difficult books on the subject.

There is no limit to the exciting additions that are made to children's literature each year. The Center Library reminds readers that dependent children of all those associated with NWC—military or civilian, regardless of their place of residence—are eligible and most welcome to use the library.

COM To Serve Thanksgiving Day Dinner

The Commissioned Officers' Mess will serve a traditional Thanksgiving dinner and all the trimmings next Thursday, Nov. 23, from 2 to 6 p.m.

In addition to turkey, baked ham and leg of lamb dinners also will be served at the same price—\$3.75 for adults and \$2.25 for children.

For those preferring steak, the COM is offering a special steak dinner for \$6.

The main bar will be open from 2 to 6 p.m. while the Barefoot Bar will be open from 11 a.m. to midnight.

Dinner reservations can be made by calling 446-2549.



TWO PERFORMANCES REMAIN—Only two more performances remain of "Guys and Dolls," the Community Light Opera and Theater Association musical slated to play tonight and Saturday night at the Burroughs Lecture Center, starting at 8:15. The scene above shows the gamblers' floating crap game as Sky Masterson, (center) played by Alex Bellen, has just bet "a thousand bucks against their souls." The other players are (kneeling l.-r.) Bill Tomaras, Leo Barglowski, Greg Erdmann, cast as Nicely-Nicely, Jim Fieser, who portrays Nathan Detroit, John Pietras, Carl Helmick and Stacey MacGregor. Standing (l.-r.) are Steve Carter, Chuck Wilcox, who plays Harry the Horse, Bellen and Jim Rosolanka. Tickets, priced at \$2.50 for general admission and \$1.25 for students through high school, are available at The Gift Mart and Medical Arts Pharmacy in Ridgecrest, at the Center Pharmacy, or at the Lecture Center door. —Photo by Jack Fischer

Plans Taking Shape for Third Annual IWV Christmas Parade

Plans are now taking shape for the third annual Indian Wells Valley Christmas Parade, which is scheduled for the morning of Saturday, Dec. 9. Theme of the parade is "Toyland."

This event is being sponsored by the Ridgecrest Chamber of Commerce, whose aim it is to provide a parade emphasizing old-fashioned holiday season spirit. Although planned primarily for the enjoyment of children of the community, the CoC is encouraging active participation on the part of all organizations and individuals.

Bob Cartwright, parade chairman, announced that so far he and his committee have lined up a number of bands to participate in the parade. In addition to those from schools in the China Lake-Ridgecrest area, the Trona schools band also will be here for this holiday season kick-off event, as will the Army band from Fort MacArthur in San Pedro.

In addition, marching units from Inyokern, a color guard from Barstow, and a drill team from Edwards Air Force Base all have accepted invitations to join in the

parade, Cartwright reported.

The parade chairman explained that he is anxious to have all interested local organizations enter floats, equestrian groups, decorated vehicles and novelty units in the gala procession.

A float that is a miniature model of the heavy cruiser U.S.S. Los Angeles will be making its first appearance in the local area as a part of the forthcoming Christmas Parade. In addition, others who have indicated they will be entering floats in the parade are the Mayflower Van and Storage Co., Job's Daughters, Rainbow Girls and the Continental Telephone Co.

Applications for participation in the 1972 Christmas Parade, which are due no later than Tuesday, Nov. 28, can be obtained at the ROCKETEER office or from the Chamber of Commerce, 141 Panamint St., Ridgecrest.

Additional information can be obtained by calling the CoC office at 375-8331.

Dance Set Tonight At Officers' Club

A dance, featuring music by Chuck Higgins and his band from Los Angeles, will be held tonight from 9 to 1:30 a.m. at the Commissioned Officers' Mess.

Higgins, a recording star of the late 1960s, and his band will be making their first local appearance. The group specializes in danceable music.



CANDY SALE BEGINS—The above scene will be a familiar sight to homeowners in the Indian Wells Valley as the Kern County Camp Fire Girls begin their annual candy sale today. Mrs. Larry Jackson, of Ridgecrest, is shown purchasing some of the delicious peanut butter and peppermint chews (manufactured by Dewar's Candy Company), from Jenny Young, left, and Debbie Herigstad and Leslie Krenzel. The sale, which will continue through Dec. 4, is being held to raise funds to supplement aid received from the United Fund and other supporting agencies. —Photo by PHAA Shellie Borders

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
(PG) - ALL AGES ADMITTED
Parental Guidance Suggested
(R) - RESTRICTED
Under 17 requires accompanying Parent or Adult Guardian
CS - Cinemascope
STD - Standard Movie Screen

FRI. 17 Nov.
"THE CANDIDATE" (STD 110 Min.)
Robert Redford, Melvyn Douglas
(Drama) Robert Redford, playing a little known local figure, is picked by some political king-makers as the likely aspirant who can make it as a U.S. Senator. (PG)

SAT. 18 Nov.
—MATINEE—
"THIS SAVAGE LAND" (STD 97 Min.)
Barry Sullivan, Kathryn Hays (G)

—EVENING—
"LE MANS" (CS 109 Min.)
Steve McQueen, Elga Andersen
(Drama) The story of a champion racer in France's 24-hour competition. (G)
SUN. & MON. 19-20 Nov.
"COME BACK CHARLESTON BLUE" (STD 101 Min.)
Godfrey Cambridge, Raymond St. Jacques

(Comedy Drama) A series of robberies gets things going and it doesn't take long for the two detectives to discover that the haul each time is a heroin shipment. It seems a black organization is robbing the Mafia of their supplies in order to cut the white men out of Harlem. (PG)

TUES. & WED. 21-22 Nov.
"MELODY" (STD 106 Min.)
Mark Lester, Tracy Hyde
(Comedy) Mark Lester, 11, is a mischievous London lad who befriends classmate Jack Wild, a tough and independent youngster. Pretty Tracy Hyde, another classmate, has many friends and a happy home life while the boys prefer each other's company. (G)

THURS. 23 Nov.
"THE PROUD AND DAMNED" (STD 97 Min.)
Chuck Connors, Aron Kincaid
(Western) Four young Texans and their ex-sergeant have wandered throughout Latin America as hired guns for several years after dropping out of the American Civil War. They stumble upon a vicious military dictator who offers them a choice: execution or their services. (PG)

FRI. 24 Nov.
"BED KNOBS AND BROOMSTICKS" (STD 117 Min.)
Angela Lansbury, David Tomlinson
(Musical Comedy) Angela Lansbury, taking correspondence school lessons to become a witch and aid England in wartime 1940, is discomfited by the arrival of three wits, evacuated from London and assigned to her care. (G)

HOLIDAY HOURS

Thanksgiving Day is coming up next Thursday, Nov. 23, and on that date all of the facilities of the Employee Services Board, Special Services, the Exchange and Commissary will be closed with the exception of the following:

The ESB dining room (Station Cafeteria) will remain open from 6:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

The China Lake golf course will remain open from 7:30 a.m. to sunset and Hall Memorial Lanes will be in operation from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m.

In addition, the Center Theater will keep regular hours.

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CNO Cites Need for True Military Discipline

(Editor's note: This Z-gram is being published in full in the Rocketeer in compliance with the request from Admiral E. R. Zumwalt, Jr., Chief of Naval Operations, that it be given the widest possible dissemination.)

On 10 November I addressed the question of recognizing the importance of assuring equal opportunity and fostering mutual understanding in race relations at all command levels of the Navy. My remarks were directed primarily to all in a position of leadership, urging them to direct their fullest efforts at ensuring these programs were being carried out in full.

At that time I also stated that there must be no substitution of one prejudice for another, that the prejudice against good order and discipline is as bad as the prejudice of race. It is to this point that I would address all hands.

Admiral Ernest King, in speaking to my graduation class, stated that true military discipline is the "intelligent obedience of each for the effectiveness of all." As I have said before, it is through enlightened leadership that we obtain that true military discipline about which Admiral King spoke some 30 years ago.

During the past 28 months I have set as my objective bringing about a Navy environment that would assist our

Naval commanders in providing that enlightened leadership that would ensure "intelligent obedience for the effectiveness of all." I believe that we have been successful. We have outstanding performance by our people who have responded with bravery and dedication to the recent massive invasion of South Vietnam. They have done so in the face of greatly extended and early deployments, reduced shipboard manning and over-long hours seven days a week. Navywide, we have seen overall disciplinary and confinement rates reduced from their earlier figures with commensurate reductions in shore patrol requirements. I am proud of the Navy's performance, for it has truly been superb.

On the other hand, it occurs to me that this is perhaps a good time to reiterate to those of our more junior personnel who have entered the Navy in this period of transition, and whom I have not had the opportunity to speak with in the past year, my personal philosophy regarding their responsibility to leadership in our Navy. I do this especially since I note that, of those who have been involved in recent incidents of violence or other disruptive activities, the overwhelming majority are those in the 18 to 20 year age category and with less than one year of Naval service.

This says to me that many of those who are new to the

Navy very well may not be aware of the framework within which we have been working to make the Navy a challenging, interesting and rewarding career, nor of what their responsibilities are to the Navy within that same framework.

Let me speak to you, in turn, of your responsibilities to the Navy and our country. What is required of you is self discipline, especially in these times of extended deployments and reduced manpower. It is your duty to your shipmates and those who are responsible for your welfare in time of peace and especially in time of war to conduct yourselves in a manner that contributes to the overall good and welfare of your division, your ship, your station and, in the long run, of your country. You have taken an oath to do so and the Navy will expect nothing less nor will it accept anything less.

This self discipline and subordination of self for the good of all is absolutely mandatory for any organization, civilian or military, to function properly. It cannot be any other way.

The responsibilities of command are not easy in this modern day of complex machines and even more complex men. Your commanding officer has responsibilities to higher authorities and to his country that stagger the

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HM1 Alan Clay Selected As 'Bluejacket of Month'

Hospitalman First Class Alan "Dick" Clay, an X-ray technician at the NWC Dispensary, has been selected "Bluejacket of the Month" for November.

The Hallock, Minn., native is a 13-year Navy veteran and has been at the Naval Weapons Center since January 1971.

As a result of his selection, Clay and his wife, Janice, will be treated to an all expense-paid weekend in Bakersfield by the Greater Bakersfield Chamber of Commerce. In Bakersfield they will stay at the Imperial 400 Motel and will receive their meals at Tiny's.

The couple also will receive free gift certificates and a hospitality packet containing discount coupons from Bakersfield merchants who participate in the monthly program.

In addition, prior to leaving the local area, Clay will receive the keys to a new Ford from Desert Motors in Ridgecrest, to use on the weekend trip.

Clay's 13 years in the Navy have been varied and, as he puts it, "quite interesting." After he was graduated from Corpsman "A" School, in San Diego, he was sent to Camp Geiger, a U.S. Marine Corps battalion at Camp Lejeune, N. Car., where he spent nearly four years working in the medical department. Then in 1964 he was transferred to Okinawa with the 2nd Battalion of the 3rd Marine Corps and worked there as a medical corpsman.

In 1965, Clay was sent to Camp Pendleton, still assigned to the USMC, where he was placed in charge of the medical supply unit at Camp San Mateo.

He finally "got back into the Navy" in 1966 when he was made the medical representative for reservists at the Naval Reserve Training Center, McAllister, Okla.

Early in 1968, Clay was assigned to independent duty on board the

USS Fox, a guided missile frigate. "I was the only medical person on board the ship," he said. "Sometimes things got a little wild and I had to treat some pretty rough injury cases, such as when a boiler blew up and when we picked up a couple of downed pilots," he pointed out.

In a couple of cases, Clay also had to perform minor surgery. "I never lost anyone, though," he grinned.

In 1969, Clay reported to the San Diego Naval Hospital and attended



HM1 Alan R. Clay

X-ray technician school. Following his graduation in January 1971, he reported to China Lake.

Clay is one of those rare individuals to whom hitting a golf ball comes easy. Presently a four-handicapper at the China Lake Golf Club, he once held a one handicap, while stationed at McAllister.

"I met Bob Dickson, who is now on the professional golf tour, and he and I played quite a bit. I learned a lot from him," Clay explained.

He took up the game of golf when he was 16 years old and has won quite a few tournaments, including

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—Photos by ADJAN Bill Brooks

MARINES CELEBRATE 197TH ANNIVERSARY—In the top photo, the color guard troops out the colors as members of the United States Marine Corps at NWC, retired marines and guests of honor pledge allegiance to the flag, signifying the beginning of the 197th Marine Corps Birthday Ball, held Nov. 10 at the Community Center. Members of the color guard are, l-r: SSgt. Duane Buday, GySgt. Thomas Brown, GySgt. Harold Logue and GySgt. Gerald Hibbard. In bottom photo, Col. E. D. Smith, USMC Liaison Officer at NWC, prepares to cut the birthday cake while RAdm. Henry Suerstedt, Jr., NWC Commander (2nd from right), looks on. They are flanked by MSgt. Bill Irby, USMC, Ret., (at left) and SSgt. Ralph Rinaldi, who were the oldest and youngest enlisted Marines present at the ball.

Council Acts In Favor Of Annexation

The Ridgecrest City Council moved quickly last night on the heels of affirmative action taken earlier this week by the China Lake Community Council board of directors on the question of annexation of a portion of the NWC housing area to the City of Ridgecrest.

With four of the five members of the Ridgecrest City Council in attendance, the vote was 3-1 in favor of a motion authorizing the city staff to prepare and file a petition for annexation with the Kern County Local Agency Formation Commission.

City Councilman Dennis Wilson's was the lone dissenting vote, with votes in favor of proceeding with the annexation being cast by Mayor Kenneth Smith, Councilmen Elliott Fox and Rex Shacklett.

A discussion and vote on the matter was preceded by the presentation of a letter from the

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CERAMICS SHOW WINNER—Aline Schad, manager of the Ceramic Hobby Shop, returned home with a blue ribbon and a special award of merit for the chess set that was one of her entries in a ceramic show held recently at Las Vegas. Mrs. Schad also garnered second place awards for both the large plate and for the ceramic Christmas candle (on right). Another local winner at the Las Vegas event was Marie Loper, assistant manager of the Ceramic Hobby Shop, who picked up a second place ribbon for the large vase shown above.

Thanksgiving Service Set Wed. at All Faith Chapel

A service of Thanksgiving will be held in the All Faith Chapel at 7 p.m. next Wednesday, Nov. 22, sponsored by the chapel's Protestant congregation. The service will be based on American heritage and the many reasons people in this country have for being thankful. Highlight of the service will be a brief film, entitled "An American Time Capsule," which recalls the history of America — from its foundation to the present time — through the use of rapid photography. Chaplain Fred Zobel will present a brief talk, "How It All Began," and Chaplain Robert E. Osman will speak on "This Nation Under

God." Also on the program will be a choral number, "Which Way America," sung by the Chapel choir. A Litany of Thanksgiving will be presented during which a number of lay people will respond by outlining the many things for which they are personally thankful. The speakers will represent the various organizations of the Protestant congregation of the All Faith Chapel. The service will close with "A Symbol of Thanksgiving Harvest in the Sharing of Bread," when homemade bread will be broken and distributed as a symbol of true thanksgiving and sharing with others.

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 2049. Current applications (SF-171) or Standard Form 1972 should be submitted bringing your work history up to date if one has not been submitted within the last 6 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 rated as basically qualified will be a supervisory appraisal form that will be sent to the employees present and most recent previous supervisor. Selection shall be made without discrimination for any nonmerit reason.

Library Technician, GS-1115, PD No. 728501, Code 8553-Mechanical, Electronics, or General Engineer, GS-13 or 14, PD No. 6117, Code 4055—This position is that of Bulldog program manager. Incumbent plans, organizes, and coordinates the complete Bulldog missile weapon systems programs. The incumbent is responsible for technical direction covering the entire range of guided missile technology. Activities include: Qualification Requirements: 1 year general and 2 years specialized experience as outlined in X-118. Job Relevant Criteria: Experience in the appropriate work.

File applications for above with Dora Childers, Code 457, Ph. 2032.

Aerospac... Mechanical, Electronics, or General Engineer, GS-13 or 14, PD No. 6117, Code 4055—This position is that of Bulldog program manager. Incumbent plans, organizes, and coordinates the complete Bulldog missile weapon systems programs. The incumbent is responsible for technical direction covering the entire range of guided missile technology. Activities include: Qualification Requirements: 1 year general and 2 years specialized experience as outlined in X-118. Job Relevant Criteria: Experience in the appropriate work.

Mechanical Engineering Technician, GS-818-4, PD No. 7240256, Code 4014—This position is located in the Documentation Branch, Technical Services Division of the Weapons Development Department. The incumbent will work with engineers and technicians in the design, layout and detailing of test equipment, fixtures, handling equipment and special tooling, required on the Bulldog missile program. The incumbent will make basic calculations to determine physical configurations, weights, volumes, moments of inertia, strength of materials, clearances and tolerances. He will prepare layout sketches, assembly, subassembly and detail drawings. He will check and review drawings prepared by contractor personnel and perform liaison with shop personnel during fabrication of equipment. Job Relevant Criteria: A minimum of two years experience in mechanical design and drafting preparing layout

File applications for above with Elizabeth Sodergren, Bldg. 34, Rm. 206, Ph. 2674. Crater Packer, WG-04621-8, JD No. 50, Code 2598—Packs, crates, straps and stencils material and equipment incident to shipment off Center. This includes blocking, bracing, and shoring of heavy equipment and machinery on to and in railroad cars and motor trucks. Requires operation of different types of power equipment such as: jig, rip and cut off saws, grinder, sanders and planners. Minimum Qualification Requirements: One year of experience in applying preservatives treatment, or such other special processes, as may be required and packing miscellaneous supplies, materials, equipment and parts involving some difficulty in packing or securing in containers. Six months must have included use of hand woodworking tools or using power saws and nailing machines in fabricating and/or securing shipping boxes and crates. Supplementary experience in other fields may be picked up in Room 202, Personnel Bldg. Job

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HONORED FOR 30 YEARS OF SERVICE—Capt. W. H. Sturman, left, NWC Public Works Officer, affixes a 30-year Federal service pin to the shirt of Charles C. Martin, who heads up the Construction Engineering Branch in the Public Works Contract Division. Martin, a civil engineer employed by the Naval Facilities Engineering Command, San Bruno, Calif., joined the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in January, 1941. He came to China Lake on June 27, 1949, as a civil engineer in the Public Works Engineering Division and was promoted to his present job in 1954. Martin, his wife, Mary, and nine children reside on the Center. During the same ceremony, Martin also received a Superior Accomplishment Award and a salary step increase.

NWC Library Observes Children's Book Week

By Pat Emerson "Books Now! Books Wow!" proclaims the theme of the 1972 National Children's Book Week, which began Monday. Since its origin in 1919, National Children's Book Week has been dramatizing and publicizing the importance of building good reading habits at an early age. Book Week inspired the eventual formation of the Children's Book Council in 1945. Each year the council serves as promoter and information center for children's literature and its improvement. Over 50 individual awards are made annually for the most outstanding efforts in the field of children's literature. Two major awards are given by the Children's Book Council. The

A Thanksgiving story hour, for youngsters 5 through 8 years of age, will be held on Saturday, from 10 to 11 a.m., at the Center Library. The story hour will be conducted by Mrs. Marj Cruise, who asks that parents be prompt in calling for their children at the conclusion of the hour-long program. Caldecott medal is awarded to the artist of the best illustrated children's book. This year's Caldecott Medal went to Nonny Hogrogian for "One Fine Day," while the Newberry award for the most outstanding children's book published the preceding year went to Robert C. O'Brien for "Mrs. Frisby and the Rats."

Dramatic steps have taken place since the Dick and Jane of yesteryear in making children's book more meaningful and more exciting—especially to non-readers. No longer is the writing of children's books a market exclusively for housewives and schoolteachers. World famous authors such as Isaac Asimov ("The Best New Thing") and Pearl Buck ("The Big

Wave") and the finest illustrators, including Miska Miles ("Anna and the Old One") and Syd Hoff ("Albert and the Albatross") contribute increased scope and expertise to children's literature. Younger children are especially attracted to the simple, brightly illustrated works. The new emphasis on graphics has become increasingly reflected in children's literature. Training youngsters of all ages to discriminate color and tone, and notice detail and technique is possible with the children's literature that is available today. In the attempt to make reading "fun," the subject area for children's literature has broadened farther than ever before, varying from the more traditional little children who make faces ("Frances Face-Maker" by Cole) to the most amazing factory in the world ("Wonders, Inc." by Kilian). In even the simplest books, the child is awakened to animals, people, feelings and situations he himself may never know or experience any other way except through reading. Often simple, factual books are combined with a story line that eases the transition from story to information gathering for young students. Reading specialists have wielded a large hand in devising controlled vocabulary texts that provide high interest subject matter for any given age, regardless of reading ability. Such materials cover both fiction and non-fiction of all levels of complexity. Even the youngest report writer can find up-to-date subject matter simple enough to comprehend at the Center Library. The young reader whose eyes are bigger than his ability will find easy-vocabulary adventure stories of all levels as well. Family involvement with youngsters in their first reading

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Hail and Farewell

For the month of October 1972. NEW ARRIVALS-CIVILIAN. Clara M. Cram; Code 2573 Phillip D. Good; Code 2573—Gerry R. Wallace; Code 2598—Jack M. Gable; Code 3035—Edward A. Seffel; Code 3042—William P. Bailey; Code 351—Ginger L. Hamaty; Code 4012—Gerald E. Alger; Code 4041—Stanley G. Rajtor; Code 40505—Vernon D. Leonard; Code 4054—James S. Wooley; Code 4064—Vincent P. Accurso; Code 40901—Diana J. Murbach; Code 4565—Wanda L. Clark; Code 4574—Frank W. Jandt; Code 5012—Donald G. Turner; Code 5072—John K. Agrellius; Code 5512—John C. Bemis; Code 5523—George E. Corcone; Code 5526 Michael P. Spowart; Code 5531—David J. Banks; Code 5545E—Wayne A. Burnett and James Harper, Jr.; Code 5545F—James F. Gillard; Code 5564—Thomas L. Jones and Phelps K. Terneun; Code 6014—John L. Tomlinson; Code 6051—Dan E. Bliss; Code 6561—James P. Evans and Gilbert A. Potter; Code 70415—Carl L. Belvin, Lewis E. Lusher and Rodney L. Robbs; Code 70422—Richard D. Alford; Code 70432—Eddie W. Claxton and Jerry C. Spring; Code 8423—Richard A. Eastman, James L. Fentress and Gary L. Wilson; Code 843—James F. Duguid; Code 8517—Theresa J. Easley. CIVILIAN-DEPARTURES. Code 2573—Patty L. Vansliker; Code 2573—Violet A. Rock; Code 2591—Guy Horton; Code 3043—Larry D. Edmonson; Code 3051—Lubin Y. Gee; Code 3509—Beverly Kara; Code 352—Helen E. Spinks; Code 4013—Jane A. Price; Code 40408—Roberta F. Sildam; Code 406—Irene D. McCaw; Code 407—Armin T. Wiebke; Code 4092—Harlan E. Rogers and William S. Roney; Code 4094—Leroy H. Willis; Code 454—Henry S. Perez; Code 4574—John P. Seidle; Code 5043—Ernest H. Finizio; Code 5545J—Joseph W. Fortune; Code 602—Harold A. Duffy; Code 6042—Johannes Tuul; Code 6052—Joseph E. Thomas; Code 6521—Luella J. Gaffield; Code 70761—Terrence M. Pryor; Code 70781—Howard E. Lemon; Code 8423—Clifford B. Wright; Code 8552—Marjio Disanzio.

NWC OFFICERS. Arrivals: RADM. Henry Stuerstedt, Jr. and Lt. David Bright. Departures: RADM. William J. Moran, Lt. Cdr. T. N. O'Hara and CW02 William W. Jones. MARINE Liaison Office. Departures: Major Hugh L. Julian and GYSGT Edward E. Alexander. NAF Enlisted Personnel. Arrivals: PHAN Shellie K. Borders, AC1 Russel J. Cooley, RMSA Constance M. Eisenbarth, PHAN Dennis M. Jeneraux, RMSA Elizabeth E. Reich and SR Edward Thousand. Departures: CS2 Bruce E. Anderson, A23 Dan E. Bliss, AD3 James W. Bristol; ABH3 Charles Brown, AQ2 Alan G. Gervasi; ABF3 Steven R. Heath, ADJC Nino L. Jaromay, PMSA Robert S. Leshinski, AC2 Wayne A. MacKenzie, ADJ3 Ronald E. Melvin, ADRAA Gerald W. Petri, JN Anthony J. Pizzo, Jr., and AE1 Edward A. Seffel. VX-5 OFFICERS. Departure: Lt. Samuel D. Stanifer. VX-5 Enlisted Personnel. Arrivals: AK3 Ernesto D. L. Calara, AN Ivan L. Otto and DPC Chester C. Tussey. Departures: AQ2 Gerald E. Bork, AO3 David F. Glasgow, AO3 Richard M. Keller and AO3 Joel L. Moss.

Housing Assignm'ts. Housing assignments for October, 1972. Johnson, GS-9. "O" B.R. Motel. Marafis, GS-9; Strutz, GS-12. One B.R. Motel. Riedler, GS-14. Two B.R. Normac. Calara, E4; Jacques, E2; Krack, E3; Dorsett, W02; Brett, GS-4; Davis, E3; Long, E3. Two B.R. LeTourneau. Hinkley, GS-5; Warren, WG-4; Easley, WG-11. Two B.R. Old Apartment. Cook, WG-3. Four B.R. Hawthorne. Catling, WG-10. Two B.R. Wherry. Ferran, E5; Patterson, E5; Andrews, E4; Flatness, E5; Ahr, E5; Endicott, E6; Pool, E5; Hallam, E5; Crutcher, E4; Bona, E4; Shumway, GS-7; Harlan, GS-7. Three B.R. Wherry. Good, GS-7; Asparitia, E6; Hall, GS-12. Two B.R. Normac-Duplex. Terneun, GS-12; Cecone, GS-12. Three B.R. Normac-Duplex. Mathews, GS-12. Three B.R. Juniper. Tussey, E7. Two B.R. Old Duplex. Knecht, GS-9; Johnson, GS-11; Rajtor, GS-11; Klecker, GS-11; Smith, GS-12; Cox, Ens. Two B.R. Old Duplex LSP. Schubert, WS-7; Haugh, GS-7; Rush, GS-11; Accuso, GS-9; Brittain, GS-9. Two B.R. JOQ. Lt. Bright. Three B.R. Wasp Cir. Allen, GS-12. Three B.R. Panamint. Lcdr. Williams. Four B.R. Panamint. Fountain, GS-13.

Assessments Due Following Death. Assessments are now due from members of the China Lake Mutual Aid Society and Government Employees Benefit Association following the death of Frank Schuman. A former employee in the Public Works Department, Schuman, who was 70 years old, died on Nov. 10 of a heart attack in Bakersfield. Larry Mason, secretary of CLMAS-GEBAA, asks that members also contact their department representatives regarding payments Nos. 263 and 191.

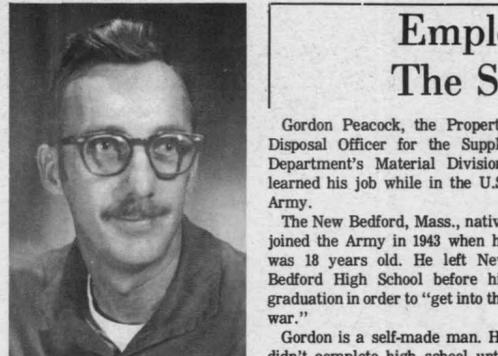
Re-enlists For 4 — Myron J. Roemer, an aviation machinist's mate (jet) 1st class now serving at the Naval Air Facility, recently re-enlisted for four more years of service in the Navy. ADJ1 Roemer, who was transferred to China Lake from the Naval Air Station at Whidbey Island, Washington, has been in the Navy for 13 years.

Quarters For Single Personnel Made Available. A limited number of Hawthorne houses on Monterey St. will be made available for multiple assignment to bachelor-single NWC civilian personnel, C. J. Fallgatter, head of the Housing Division, said earlier this week. These will be two, three and four bedroom quarters, unfurnished except for stove and refrigerator, and will be available for use for a minimum period of one year. One person (of the same sex) per bedroom shall be the minimum level of occupancy permitted. The quarters will be assigned in the same precedence order established in the Housing Division's family housing policy. However, a prospective assignee's name must be on a waiting list for either a two, three or four bedroom house, and have an eligible occupancy group (one person per bedroom) selected and available before an assignment will be made by the Housing office. Subsequent room vacancies must be filled within 30 days. Each occupant shall have the same responsibility for care of the unit and grounds as is applicable to all other Center housing units. Personnel who are interested and eligible should file an application for an assignment card at the Housing office, located next to the Personnel building on Blandly St.

Tips on Safety Given 'Cyclists'. The NWC Safety Department recently received reports about bicyclists who are using the Center streets after dark while riding unlighted bicycles. It would seem that many riders are not aware of the hazards and legal ramifications of not using lights after sunset. California classes the bicycle as a vehicle and the two-wheeler are governed by the same rules as automobiles. Just as a car may not legally be driven without headlights after sunset, neither may a bicycle be operated without both headlights and tail-lights. In the event of an accident, a bicyclist might lose the right to file a claim for damages if he is injured while riding without lights.

30 YEARS IN FEDERAL SERVICE—Loyal Mayer (at left), a technical illustrator in the Graphic Arts Branch of the Technical Information Department, was the recent recipient of a 30-year Federal service pin. The presentation to Mayer, who has been a Naval Weapons Center employee for the past seven years, was made by C. E. Van Hagan, head of TID. Mayer completed 21 years of service in the Air Force before joining Civil Service. He came here from Amarillo Air Force Base in Texas.

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By Jack Lindsey

"Old back-up," Floyd Maxwell, stunned the Friday Night Mixed Four-Some Bowling League last week when he destroyed the pins for a 289 game, which is definitely the highest game ever bowled (sanctioned) in the history of the Ridgecrest-China Lake Men's Bowling Association.

Floyd, who has been bowling since the days of Rip Van Winkle in the Catskill Mountains, (or so it seems, anyway) buried the first ball and left a seven pin. After the conversion for a spare he strung 10 strikes in a row and then got 9 on the last ball for the big score.

A couple of years ago Floyd converted his bowling style to a hook, and retains the back-up ball for picking up pins on the right side of the lane.

His game eclipses the 288 rolled by Thad Brightwell and the 287 by Ken Dalpiaz, both bowled this year.

No one I can think of is more deserving of this game than Floyd. His attitude when others bowl well and when they are honored has always been good. I can remember when I bowled on his team how he would always congratulate others who bowled high marks.

The China Lake Golf Club will be the site of the annual "Turkey Shoot" tomorrow as local duckies take to the links in an effort to win their Thanksgiving dinner bird.

For only an entry fee of \$2, golfers can compete in the three-man team "grab bag" event. A grab bag tournament is one where all of the entrants' names are thrown into a hat AFTER the tournament has been played, and players' scores are then paired up.

The first five teams of three men each will win turkeys.

Golfers may get their own starting times and form their own foursomes for the play. Check in with Paul Someson, club pro, to pay the entry fee prior to going out.

Mary Davis scored a touchdown and Julie Baker added a two-point conversion to allow the Chiefs to defeat the '49ers, 8-0, in last week's Girls' Flag Football League action.

In the second game of the evening, the Vikings sent the Raiders down to defeat, 8-6, on the strength of a conversion by Myrna Martin, who also scored the touchdown for the Vikes.

Lori Kunkel tallied the Raiders' touchdown, but the team missed the two-point conversion that would have tied the game.

The standings, after three weeks of play, show the Vikings and Chiefs tied for the lead with 2 wins and 1 loss, and the '49ers and Raiders trailing with 1 win and 2 losses apiece.



GOLF CLUBHOUSE RENOVATED — Ruth Haynes, Paul and Kay Someson (left to right) admire the new carpet installed recently in the lounge and dining area of the golf clubhouse. In addition, carpeting was laid in the men's and women's locker rooms and these rooms also were paneled. New shower facilities were installed in the locker rooms and the locker facilities will be increased to allow more club members a place to store golf equipment.

/XXXXXXXXXX9 -- 289! Maxwell Bowls Record

Floyd Maxwell, bowling in the Friday Mixed Four-Some League last week, rolled a 289 single game—the highest league sanctioned game in the history of the



Floyd Maxwell
Ridgecrest-China Lake Men's Bowling Association.

The gem came when he spared the first frame and then strung 10 strikes in a row before sticking a pin, ending with a 289 score.

Other scores in the league follow:

Thad Brightwell rolled a 242 game and a 627 series and Ray Freascher socked out a 246 single. Zeke Boyack scored with a 234 and 605 and his wife, Doris, bombed a 565 series and a 210 single.

Fred DeHamm shot a big 265 game and Dan Branson came up with a 600-even. Maggie Branson had a 551 and Chuck Cutsinger bashed out a 604 series. Randy Morris rolled a 616 series and Wilma Johnson had a 552. Myri Plante hit with 554 and Pat Brightwell zeroed in with a 232 game and 550 series total.

Cheryl Preul scored with 512 and Jeanne Crom fashioned a 507 series. Jack Leininger bombed a 243 single game.

Premier League
George Bowles put together games of 210 and 213 to wind up with a 420 series and Al Smith shot 203 and 215 for a 605 three-game set to lead the Premier scoring last Monday evening.

Ken Dalpiaz had a 236 single and Dwight Bartlett a 231.

Arden Dairy leads the league and Loewen's TV is in second place. Western Columbia is third.

Wednesday Handicap
Peggy Ames continues to bowl well, scoring with a 232 game and a 589 series to lead the league. Doris Cosner and Nita Martin each rolled 213 and 549 and Liz Furstenberg put together a nice 202 game enroute to a 540 series. Blanche McKerman had a 205 single.

MarLyn Heeke banged out a 544 series and Rita Glover and Pat Maddux each scored with a 527 set. Myrtle Snyder and Connie Evans finished with 512.

Junior-Seniors

The News Hunt

By J. B. Hunt



The weather here is unusual, to say the least. Water from the sky? Anybody from the desert knows water comes out of the ground, not the sky. And I see the Sierras are again mantled with snow — it's nice to see their bald heads covered again, tho it's a hassle getting the MG beastie warmed up in the mornings.

Now that it's that time of the year, Gabe Imer, Special Services Director, is at Nellis AFB in Las Vegas, attending the Mojave Desert Inter-Service League commander's trophy banquet. At the end of each MDISL sports year, this banquet is held to present awards and conduct business.

At this year's two-day affair, NWC will pick up two awards: one for "overall team sports," and another in the "minor sports" category. NWC earned first place in the latter area, picking up 49 out of a possible 60 points when local teams finished first in last month's golf tournament and tied with Los Angeles AFS for first place in the tennis tournament last May. Handball and bowling are also minor MDISL sports.

By racking up 89 out of 120 points, NWC ranked third in the standings overall, behind Norton AFB's 98.5 points and Edwards AFB's 98 points. MDISL major sports are football, basketball, volleyball and softball.

Imer and Ray Gier, NWC Recreation Director, have been guiding lights in the MDISL since its organization in 1955 when they both were stationed together at MCSC Barstow. The league now consists of eight bases—MCB 29 Palms, MCSC Barstow, Edwards AFB, George AFB, Nellis AFB, Norton AFB, Los Angeles AFS and NWC. Gabe and Ray have both served the MDISL as presidents, Gabe from 1955 to 1957 and Ray in 1967.

NWC plans to petition MDISL to allow the Roaches (the civilian flag football team that just won the championship) to take 12 of their team members to participate in the flag football tourney in December. Only China Lake is allowed to use civilians on MDISL teams, but no more than 40 per cent of each team's roster can be non-military. Due to the fact that a civilian team won the NWC title, it is hoped that the China Lakers will be able to field a team composed of 60 per cent civilians this time.

By the way, I never did find a burro that knew how to cook flap-jacks.

Roaches Defeat NAF To Win Flag Football Title

Richard Lasell scored twice — once in the second quarter and again in the fourth — to push the NWC Roaches past the NAF Hawks in the playoff game for the China Lake Intramural Flag Football League title on Tuesday evening at Schoeffel Field.

The Roaches won the game, 12-6, assuring that they (or at least 40 per cent of them) will represent NWC in the upcoming MDISL flag football competition in December. (See J. B. Hunt's column on this page).

The passing offense of both Roach quarterback Randy Jaramillo and John Sullivan, quarterback for the Hawks, was effectively crippled in the first quarter by sterling defensive play on the part of both teams.

Lasell broke the scoreless tie early in the second period when he streaked 23 yds. through the Hawk defense for a touchdown. The NAF



QUARTERBACK SCAMPERS FOR GAIN—On a pass or run option play, Randy Jaramillo, quarterback for the Roaches, eludes an opposing player while picking up a nice gain in Tuesday night's flag football championship tilt with the NAF Hawks. The Roaches came out on top by a final score of 12-6. —Photo by J. B. Hunt

Individuals' Responsibilities to Navy Stressed

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imagination, and the magnitude of his responsibilities has been made even greater by the fact that world tensions are not always what we would like them to be. These past nine months have been even more strenuous because of the increased efforts off the coast of Vietnam.

On the day that I took command of the Navy I said that I was assuming as my first task the improvement of all aspects of the Naval career. I have dedicated myself to that task and have made many changes designed for that purpose. I also said, and I repeat, that those changes will only be made within the framework of the maintenance of good order and discipline, and that those few who would abuse these privileges must be held to account.

For those of you who are new to the Navy or who may not be aware of my statements in this regard, let me assure you that I meant what I said then and have reiterated in every succeeding change that could be interpreted to have an effect on personnel behavior. I expect, and will continue to insist upon, the strictest possible

adherence to our disciplinary standards in every respect. Those who do not accept these standards can expect to be promptly and fairly disciplined and held responsible for their actions in accordance with the UCMJ (Universal Code of Military Justice).

Other changes made during the past two years are designed to assist both the individual and those in command to draw on the assistance of their superiors to resolve problems beyond their immediate ability or responsibility. These include matters such as personnel assignments, transfers, personal services, etc. These are not intended nor in any way can they be construed to mean an acceptance of "short circuiting" the legitimate chain of command. Commanding officers recognize these for what they are—a tool to be used when solutions are outside his area of responsibility. You should also recognize them for what they are, a solution to problems that cannot be solved within your own command structure.

Finally, let me conclude by addressing the matter of

your personal responsibilities to the maintenance of good order and discipline, for in this matter there can be no compromise. I addressed myself to our Naval leadership on this subject on 10 November, now, let me tell you what I expect of you. I am fully aware of the extra hours worked and the overlong deployments experienced by many, but the Navy is no different than any other institution in that it requires complete and total obedience. It can be no other way.

I pledge my continuing efforts to ensure that all of our Navy men and women will continue to receive my full support in making this Navy of ours an exciting, challenging environment in which to work and live with the equal opportunity which can only be achieved within a framework of discipline. In turn I look to you to match the contributions of those who are your seniors in working toward the same goals.

E. R. ZUMWALT, JR.
ADMIRAL, U.S. NAVY,
CHIEF OF NAVAL OPERATIONS

Annexation Move Favored . . .

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China Lake Community Council indicating the desire of the Naval Weapons Center civic group for affirmative action on the annexation proposal on which a decision has been pending for two years.

The letter from the China Lake Community Council was presented by Bill Werback, who noted that members of the council's board of directors went on record Tuesday night by a vote of 5-3 in favor of the annexation question.

Community Council action on this matter followed a Nov. 7 straw vote on the annexation proposal, which found China Lake residents divided almost evenly on the question.

Donations To CFC Hit Total Of \$62,467

Today marks the end of the 1973 Combined Federal Campaign. As the ROCKETEER went to press, totals had not yet been received for this week's donations to the CFC. Last Friday, Nov. 10, Harold Moore, CFC treasurer, reported that \$62,467 (78 per cent of the \$80,000 goal) had been pledged or donated so far in the campaign.

Moore, who is the administrative officer for the Propulsion Development Department, also released information on percentages of employees in various codes who have pledged their support of the yearly fund drive.

Participation in Code 95 has reached 100 per cent, while Code 14 reports 88.8, and Code 22 has had 73 per cent participation in this once-for-all drive for contributions to support 28 different deserving organizations.

"Other codes are lagging behind at only 30 or 40 per cent participation," Moore advised, "but we are still hopeful they will turn in more donations this week."

Jim Fath, department keyman for the Electronic Systems Department, reported 100 per cent participation for Codes 35, 3502 and 3503, the department administrative staff, as well as for Code 3520, 3522, and 3560.

The ROCKETEER expects to carry word next week on final tallies for the Combined Federal Campaign. Moore and other CFC officials remain hopeful that the \$80,000 goal will be reached this year and that the figure of 51 per cent participation reached in the campaign last year by NWC employees will be surpassed this year.

Of the total of 2,544 votes that were cast, 1,149 favored extending the Ridgecrest City limits to include the Desert Park residential area, the Burroughs High School area, the Bennington Plaza shopping area and some adjoining non-residential land.

Those opposed to annexation cast 1,173 votes, while another 222 of those who went to the polls were undecided.

Votes urging a favorable Community Council recommendation to both the Ridgecrest City Council and the Naval Weapons Center Command on the annexation question were cast by Gene Baker, John Crossley, Dick Schmitt, Dick Schultz and Bill Werback. Community Council directors opposed to annexation were Mimi Chapman, Al Pena and Don Ruff, and two councilmen were absent.

Eventual annexation of the above-mentioned areas of the Naval Weapons Center to the City of Ridgecrest would enable nearly \$69,000 annually in tax revenue that now goes to Kern County to be channeled instead to Ridgecrest and used for development of a 106-acre regional park located adjacent to the Burroughs High School access road and campus, as well as for improvements to and policing of the high school access road.

Address Cards For Mailing W-2 Forms Distributed Today

Distributed with today's paychecks for civilian employees of the Naval Weapons Center will be address cards that are required to facilitate the mailing out of 1972 W-2 (with-holding tax) statements.

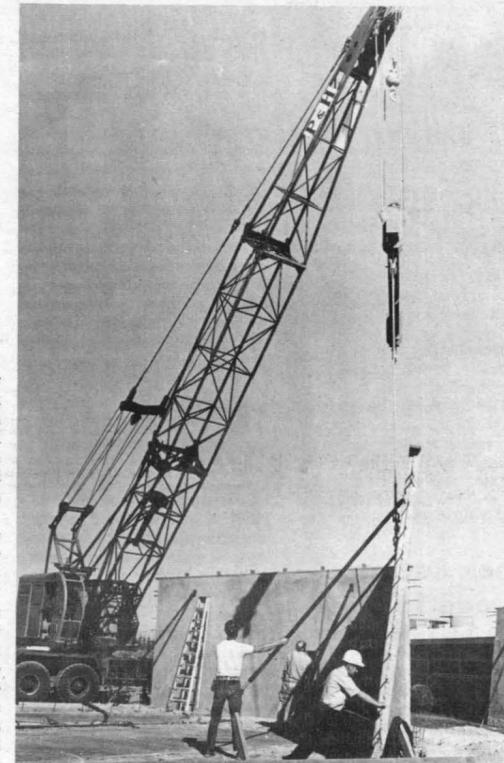
Employees are asked to fill out the address card, putting in their correct mailing address, and then forward it to the NWC Payroll Office, Code 1764, in order for it to be received no later than Friday, Dec. 1.

Potluck Dinner Set By CL Tennis Club

The China Lake Tennis Club's annual potluck dinner will be held on Sunday from 2 to 4:30 p.m. at 717 Ticonderoga Ave., China Lake.

Awards to winners of the recently completed fall tournament will be presented, and an election of officers for 1973 will be held.

All CLTC members and other interested persons are invited to attend. Those planning to do so must call Jim Stanford, at 446-5202, or John Clinton, 446-7123.



SCHOOL BUILDINGS GOING UP—Tilt-wall construction is being utilized for the erection of new buildings at each of the campuses within the China Lake Elementary School District. This photo was snapped at Pierce Elementary School, where a multi-media center and an activity building are under construction. Identical additions also are planned at Richmond, Vieweg and Groves Schools. Moveable walls within the activity buildings will enable their use as a large assembly room, or they can be divided into four separate rooms for use by art and music teachers, for speech therapy and remedial reading instruction. Also a part of the current China Lake School District building program is the construction of a large band and choral music center on the quad at Murray School and a special education building at Richmond School. The latter will include seven classrooms as well as a 20,000 sq. ft. therapy area with examination rooms for use by doctors, physical therapists and teachers.

Attention Called To Potential Hazard of Plate Glass Doors

It is amazingly easy to walk through a plate glass door because, usually, a person is fooled by the transparency of the glass and believes the door is open.

Often the victim has been traveling back and forth through the open door, then someone closes it without his knowledge and when he makes one more trip, he runs into the glass and breaks it.

As such a person goes through the glass door, the whole slab of glass at the top is often loosened from the frame and can come down like a guillotine.

Many of the Capehart homes on the Center have plate glass doors. Requests have been made by the Center for appropriations that would enable replacement of all plate glass doors with safety glass. However, such funds have not yet been received.

All tenants who reside in homes with glass doors are advised by the NWC Safety Department to place decals on the glass at eye level to serve as a visible reminder when doors are closed. Such decals are stocked by the Housing Office, Code 705.

Funds Raised By Seabees For Statue

A Navywide drive to raise funds for a monument honoring the Navy's Seabees has been successfully concluded, according to information received this week from Lt. Tom Perch, USNR, Commanding Officer of Sub-unit 11-2 of Naval Reserve Mobile Construction Battalion 17.

The two-year-long fund raising drive was brought to close recently in Washington, when President Richard M. Nixon signed a joint House-Senate Resolution authorizing the erection of a \$224,000 Seabee monument along the Avenue of Heroes in the nation's capital.

Support for the construction of this Seabee memorial monument came from all across America, but was particularly heavy from the construction industry, the building trades and from Seabees on active duty, as well as reservists.

In the latter category, the local Seabee Reserve unit earned a place on the honor roll of groups credited with donating exceptionally large amounts. The 50 members of Sub-unit 11-2 of RNM-CB17 raised \$3,000 for the Seabee memorial fund drive—making the local group one of the top contributors in the nation.

Top individual fund raisers in the local unit were BUC John Gonzales, of Independence, and AMH2 Ernest Smith, of Ridgecrest, who brought in more than \$200 each.

No Tree Cutting To Be Allowed At Chimney Peak

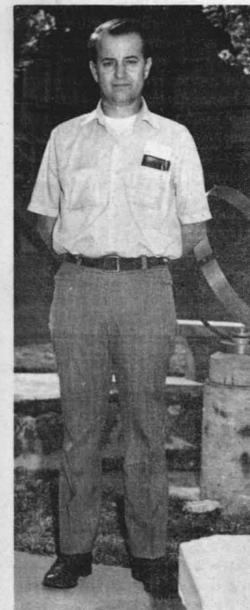
Free use permits for the cutting of Christmas trees in the Chimney Peak area will not be issued this year, according to information received from the Bureau of Land Management.

The demand for such permits has nearly doubled every year for the past five years, and it now exceeds the supply of available Pinon pine trees located on public land in the Chimney Peak area, according to Louis A. Boll, BLM district manager in Bakersfield.

Everyone is cautioned about the cutting or transporting of Christmas trees without a permit. The Chimney Peak area and roads will be patrolled and violators will be subject to arrest under state laws and subject to trespass action for unauthorized removal of trees from federal lands.



MARINES DISPLAY UNIFORMS — The 262 persons who attended the Marine Corps Ball were treated to a first-hand look at the various uniforms worn by the Marine Corps' fighting men since 1775, when the Corps was organized. Shown are (top row, l.-r.) GySgt. Harold Logue, wearing a Civil War uniform; MSgt. Ken Ayers, USMC, Ret., in a WWI uniform, and MSgt. George Beatty, USMC, Ret., wearing an Indian Wars (1834-1850) uniform. In the middle row, (l.-r.) are GySgt. Gerald Hibbard, in a uniform from the Korean War; LtCol. Jack Pipa, who wears a uniform from the Spanish-American War, and MSgt. Tom Flynn, USMC, Ret., dressed as a WWII Marine. In the front row, l.-r., are MSgt. James Jones in the first uniform from the Revolutionary War period, and Capt. Joseph Jewett in the modern-day dress, or Vietnamese War era. The colorful event was held to celebrate the 177th anniversary of the founding of the U.S. Marine Corps.



PATENT ISSUED — A \$100 award was presented recently to R. L. Higuera for a patent that was issued to him entitled "Stab Electric Defonator." The presentation was made to Higuera during an award ceremony at which B. F. Husten, head of the Fuze Department, officiated. Higuera, who transferred to China Lake from Corona, is head of Fuze Development Branch II in the Fuze Department's Electromechanical Division.

Book Review Group To Meet

The Book Review Group of the American Association of University Women will meet Monday, at 1:30 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Kenneth Robinson, 214 Mesquite Ave., Ridgecrest. Mrs. Robinson will review Vance Packard's book, "A Nation of Strangers."

The Survivor Benefit Plan (SBP), as it is called, also allows persons already retired to provide, on a voluntary basis, the same protection for their family members. Costs are the same as for future retirees. SBP embraces also members of

The NWC Food Services Division of the Supply Department is planning a special holiday Thanksgiving dinner at the Enlisted Dining Hall, Bldg. 880, on Thanksgiving Day — next Thursday, Nov. 23. Dinner will be served continuously from 2 to 6 p.m. Enlisted personnel with meal passes will be admitted free of charge. Enlisted personnel who are receiving commuted rations can partake in the meal for \$1, while the wives of such men can eat for \$1.50, and any guest of theirs will be charged \$1.50 each. All children will be served for 75 cents. Tickets are on sale at the Food Service Office from 8-11 a.m. and 1-3:30 p.m. each week day and can be obtained through next Tuesday.

APPETIZERS

- Shrimp Cocktail
- Turkey & Rice Soup
- Crisp Saltines



DRINKS

- Chilled Fresh Milk
- Chilled Chocolate Milk
- Iced Tea With Lemon Slices
- Hot Fresh Coffee

Salads

- Chef's Salad
- Stuffed Celery With Peanut Butter
- Golden Glow Salad
- Cottage Cheese With Tomato Slices

Dressing

- Sour Cream Dressing
- Tasty French Dressing
- Thousand Island Dressing
- Vinaigrette Dressing

MAIN ENTREE

- Roast Young Tom Turkey
- Broccoli Polonaise
- Chilled Cranberry Slices
- Snow Flake Potatoes
- Buttered Mixed Vegetables
- Glazed Baked Ham
- Turkey Giblet Gravy

Candied Sweet Potatoes With Marshmallows

Pineapple & Raisin Sauce

Fruit Cake

Desserts

Pecan Pie

- Pumpkin Pie With Whipped Cream
- Assorted Candy
- Soft Dip Vanilla Ice Cream
- Assorted Nuts

Survivor Benefit Plan Enacted As Aid to Career Military Personnel

With the recent enactment of Public Law 92-425, present career military members can now provide for their widows or widowers and dependent children an automatic survivor income of 55 percent of retired pay.

The Reserve components, including members of the Army National Guard and Air National Guard, with participation beginning at age 60 or later, when retired pay starts.

The new program fills a serious gap in the area of service benefits. Until SBP went into effect, the retired pay of a member ended with his or her death unless the member had elected voluntarily to participate in the Retired Serviceman's Family Protection Plan (RSFPP) — known originally as

the Contingency Option Act. Consequently, following the deaths of retirees, surviving members of retirees' families often found themselves with little or no income, particularly widows without dependent children but younger than age 60, when they could get Social Security widow's payments.

Under the new law, members who retire on or after the Sept. 21, 1972, the effective date of SBP, will be automatically enrolled in the plan if they have spouses or dependent children at retirement time. A member who does not have a spouse or dependent child at retirement can elect either to join the plan at that time by naming another person as his or her SBP beneficiary, or begin participation later if he or she acquires a spouse or a child after retirement.

Persons who retire within 180 days after the effective date of SBP have a special grace period of 180 days after their retirement dates in which to finalize either automatic or voluntary participation in the plan.

Participating in SBP at the maximum level — 55 percent of retired pay as the survivor payment—the average enlisted member retiring today can provide a monthly survivor payment to a spouse of about \$220 per month at a monthly reduction in retired pay of \$17.50. The average officer retiring now can provide about \$520 as the monthly survivor payment, with reductions in retired pay of about \$72 per month.

With the new survivor payment plan now effective, the Military Services are initiating personnel information and counselling programs through which all career members and present retirees will receive full information about

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MAJORETTES WIN SECOND PLACE TROPHY — Burroughs High School majorettes display the trophy they won at the band review, held in Hathorne, Calif., this past weekend in competition with 50 other bands. The local majorette unit took second place (tied with William Neff High School) which is the highest finish in the history of Burroughs. The girls are (l-r) Denise Mendonca, Mary Paine, Trisha Dye, Andrea Daley, Teri Byrd and Becky Feagle. Head majorette Cindy Marquardt is in front. The score earned by the Burroughs majorettes was 84.5, as judged by the Southern California School Band and Orchestra Association. The Burroughs band is led by Russ Parker, instrumental music instructor at the local high school. —Photo by PH2 D. W. Yeatts

Susan Rungo Wins Pageant Title



CHRISTMAS BAZAAR HELD — H. G. "Hack" Wilson, NWC Technical Director, prepares to cut the ribbon signifying the opening of the annual WACOM Christmas Bazaar last Tuesday at the Community Center, as Capt. D. W. Alderton, NWC's Deputy Commander, looks on. The two-day affair featured booths of goods for sale operated by 23 different local organizations, all keyed to the theme of Christmas. For two days, the Community Center was transformed into a colorful world of tinsel and holly, as shoppers bought items to put under the tree — or decorate the holiday boughs, or to eat. A WACOM spokesman stated that the affair was a huge success and that many favorite charities will benefit from funds raised during this event.



IT ALL LOOKS SO GOOD—The little girl at the right can't seem to make up her mind about what to buy, while her friend's interest wanders. The WACOM Christmas Bazaar, held Tuesday and Wednesday at the Community Center, drew hundreds of holiday shoppers, whose spirits were not dampened by the sudden heavy down-pour of rain on Tuesday morning. —Photos by PH2 G. L. Taylor

SUSAN RUNGO, (photo at right) was selected Miss Ridgecrest-China Lake for 1973 last Saturday at the Naval Weapons Center Theater. The 19-year-old Cal-Poly (at Pomona) coed is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Ralph Rungo, of Ridgecrest. For the talent portion of the annual pageant she performed "Hurry, It's Lovely Up Here," from "On a Clear Day You Can See Forever." She was sponsored by the China Lake Rotary Club. Miss Rungo will compete in the Miss California Pageant next June.

BOTTOM PHOTO — Queen Susan poses with the four other finalists and Carrie Gerrard, at left, Miss NAF, who was chosen "Miss Congeniality," for which she received a \$100 scholarship. The girls, in addition to Miss Gerrard, are from left to right, Mary Vernon-Cole, third runner-up; Bonnie Erfurt, second runner-up; Susan Anton, who was the mistress of ceremonies; Susan Rungo, Kathleen Flynn, first runner-up, and Star Doremus, fourth runner-up. Miss Rungo won a \$500 scholarship, Miss Flynn was awarded a \$300 scholarship, Miss Erfurt \$250, Miss Vernon-Cole \$200 and Miss Doremus \$150.



Survivor Benefit Plan Enacted . . .

(Continued from Page 4) SBP. Information on details of the program should soon begin appearing on an on-going basis in a variety of information media reaching the active duty and retiree communities.

Any person who expects to retire in the near future will be interested in more information about a new service benefit one Department of Defense spokesman has characterized as "one of the most important pieces of legislation" to date for career military personnel.

Bluejacket . . .

(Continued from Page 1) the club championship at his home town course in Hallock. This past summer Clay went home on leave and promptly won three invitational-type golf tournaments—at Hallock; Emerson, Manitoba, Canada, and at Wallhalla, N.D.

Janice, whom Clay met while he was in high school at Hallock High, is active in Beta Sigma Phi sorority and with the Protestant Women of the Chapel at the All Faith Chapel. She also attends the Desert Campus of Bakersfield College.

The Clays have two children, Derrik, 8, and Jori, 2.

Armed Services and Department of Defense. A future retiree's choice to participate at less than maximum level or to decline participation must be in writing if he has a spouse or child at retirement. A spouse affected will be advised of such a decision made by the retiring member.

Created by a law applying to all components of the Uniformed Services, SBP applies also to members and retirees of the U.S. Coast Guard and of the Commissioned Corps of the Public Health Service and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, as well as to members and retirees of the Military Services.

Bus Trip Planned To Northridge Nov. 29

Don't miss WACOM's tour to Northridge's Fashion Square on Wednesday, Nov. 29.

All WACOM members and their friends are invited to participate, and the round trip fare is \$10 via chartered bus.

Bus will leave the NWC Visitors' Center promptly at 8 a.m. on Nov. 29 and return by 7 p.m. Persons interested in making reservations for the trip can do so by calling Mrs. Doe Keihner at 375-7119.

Funds OKayed For Water Lines At Red Rock

The State Public Works Board in Sacramento has authorized \$60,500 for the construction and development of a water system for the state park at Red Rock Canyon, according to information received from Assemblyman Kent H. Stacey (R-Bakersfield).

The water supply will come from the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power Company's two aqueducts which pass just west of the Red Rock Canyon park area.

It is anticipated, Assemblyman Stacey reported, that another \$35,500 will be authorized at a later date for the construction of restroom, camping and picnic facilities which will fulfill the \$100,000 allocation that was authorized in legislation introduced earlier this year by Assemblyman Stacey.

PROMOTIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

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Relevant Criteria: Must show experience and/or training in applying preservative treatments or other special processes as indicated above plus must show six months experience or equivalent training in use of tools as outlined above.

Fork Lift Operator, WG-85794-5, JD No. 195, Code 259—Operates electric, diesel, or gasoline-powered high-lift trucks from 4,000 to 15,000 lb. capacity. These are used to load or unload, stack and transport material. Hoists, dollies, hand trucks and cranes plus labor crews are available for assistance. Minimum Qualification Requirements: No specific length of experience is required. To qualify you must show that you have the necessary experience or training which clearly shows that you possess sufficient skills, knowledge, and abilities as outlined in the following list of "Job Relevant Criteria." Supplementary experience statement forms may be picked up

The latter introduced the first legislation for the creation of Red Rock Canyon State Park in 1968. "For the future," Assemblyman Stacey said, "he has obtained a commitment from the state to add perhaps as much as \$250,000 for Red Rock Canyon in next year's budget."

File applications for above with Charlotte Sieckowski, Bldg. 34, Rm. 204, Ph. 3118.

in Room 202, Personnel Bldg. Job Relevant Criteria: Must show ability to work in the position without more than normal supervision. Ability to perform operational maintenance. Ability to interpret instructions and specifications. Ability to operate equipment safely. Physical demands: heaviest weight lifted is 100 lb., average weight lifted is 50 lb. Close eye attention is required including color vision. Good hearing is required.

Clerk-Typist, GS-322-2, 3, PD No. 7250117, Code 505—Types technical material and correspondence for professional and technical personnel in the Electromechanical Division, Fuze Department. Assists division secretary in distribution of mail and maintains division files. Position is located at Salt Wells. Minimum Qualification Requirements: As defined in CSC Handbook X-118. Job Relevant Criteria: Familiarity with scientific and engineering terminology is desirable. Must be a qualified typist. Promotion potential: GS-4.

WOMEN NAVAL AVIATORS
In furtherance of the aim of ensuring equal opportunity for and increased utilization of Navy women, the Navy is initiating a trial program to train women as naval aviators.