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GREEN COW TO DANCE AND SWIM, MAY 17

Passing by the stale air of the Country Club and the Armory for the seabreezes at the Grand View Dance Pavilion, the Green Cow Executive Committee will sponsor a Seashore Cakewalk at the bayside rendezvous on Friday, May 17, with dancing during the customary hours of nine until 12.

In addition to all the usual attractions furnished by the Cow at any dance, Cow chairman Hal Johnson noted that a gala swimming party would possibly be held, beginning as soon as it gets too hot to dance. "The beach will be available at no extra cost," he said, "and we will try to get some life guards but I don't think we will have much luck. Everybody's life will be in his own hands." Questioned as to the availability of bathing suits for those who have not as yet purchased their summer finery, Johnson stated that the Green Cow would not run competition with the local clothing establishments.

Of course, members of the Green Cow will be admitted to all the goings-on by presenting their engraved invitations, but non-members must pass the rigid entrance qualifications (possessing four bucks) before they may attend. Johnson added that representatives in every section have membership tickets available and that they will be glad to get rid of same to interested parties. Should anyone, who has four bucks, not know who is his Green Cow representative, a telephone call to any of the committee members will do the trick. Members are: Johnson, 4425; Charlie Forsyth, 2264; Pat Chiarito, 4459; and Joe Martin, 4458.

For those who are interested in knowing, Red Overton and his orchestra will provide danceable rhythms.

LAB NEEDS POSIES FOR DECORATIONS

Lenore Hulcher, who is in charge of table decorations for the dinner for the Fifteenth Annual Inspection of the Langley Laboratory to be held on May 9, 13, and 15 is seeking the help of Laboratory employees. She asks that persons with spring flowers of any kind please get in touch with her. Dinner will be served on all three days and approximately 28 tables will have to be decorated each time so any help will be greatly appreciated. Lenore is located on the first floor of the Service Building, telephone 2226.

GEN. SPAATZ NAMED FOR NACA POSITION

General Carl Spaatz, Commanding General of the U. S. Army Air Forces, has been appointed a member of the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics, succeeding General Arnold on the Committee. The commission of appointment, signed by President Truman, is dated April 12, 1946.

General Spaatz attended his first meeting of the Committee on Thursday, April 25, and was welcomed on behalf of the Committee by Dr. Jerome C. Hunsaker, Chairman of the Committee. He was sworn in by Mr. John F. Victory, Executive Secretary.

The NACA is the Federal Agency responsible for aeronautical research and experiment. Its membership of fifteen is appointed by the President from the central offices of the Army and Navy Air Branches, other government agencies contributing to aviation, the aviation industry, and leading scientists from private life. Its function, fully set forth in the National Aeronautical Research Policy made public April 1 is to conduct the research necessary to practical solution of the problems facing military and civil aviation.

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INDUSTRY BIGWIGS VISITING THURSDAY

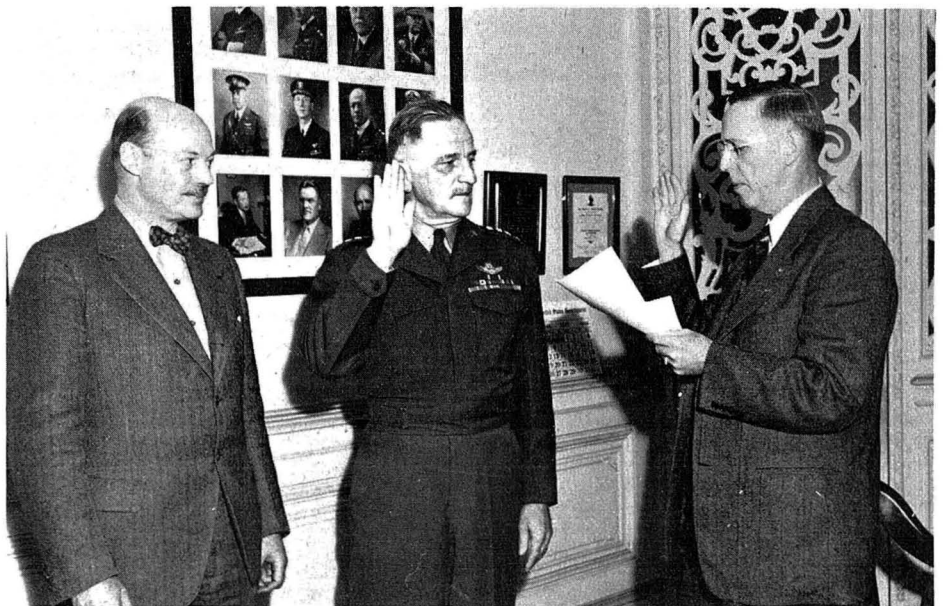
Approximately 300 representatives of leading aircraft industries in the United States will visit Langley Field next Thursday as the initial program of the 3-day Fifteenth Annual Inspection of the Langley Laboratory gets under way.

The second day of the Inspection, Monday, May 13, is for representatives of the Armed Services, most of whom are expected to arrive at Langley by plane. The concluding day's session is scheduled for Wednesday, May 15, and will also include leading aircraft manufacturers' representatives.

The majority of guests attending the May 9 and 15 Inspection will arrive by Washington steamer and have breakfast at the Chamberlin Hotel before coming to Langley Field for opening exercises at the Base Theater. Also, on these 2 days, the groups will enjoy a recreational period at the Chamberlin, where the salt-water swimming pool and roof garden will be available for NACA guests.

Indications are that many well-known persons in the field of air-

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The Army Air Forces' Commanding General, Carl Spaatz (center) takes the oath of office as a member of the NACA as Committee chairman Dr. Jerome C. Hunsaker (left) looks on. The oath was administered by John F. Victory, Executive Secretary of the NACA.

WHAT DO YOU THINK OF DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME?

Melvin Butler, Assistant Personnel Officer: "I think it's wonderful that they have worked out a schedule where we have an extra hour; why that means we now have a 25 hour day. Since that's true I don't see all the fuss about losing the extra hour of sleep. But I think that people should know that they don't have to get up in the middle of the night to change their clocks just because the time changes then. They can change them either before they go to bed or after they get up in the morning, depending on their sobriety."



Lenore Hulcher, Counsellor to Women: "Good--now I betcha I can get to work on time. Or will I be an hour later? I don't know; I'm not sure whether--Tom, what do you think?"



Sid Batterson, Impact Basin: "I'm all for it. I'm all for it. We yachtsmen, such as myself, find it necessary to get as much daylight as possible for our cruises. After all did you ever try to get home from up the James River in the dark? I'm all for it."



R. V. Rhode, Chief, Aircraft Loads, "I'm agin it! I think it's particularly screwy to see the thing handled by small local political subdivisions. A look at the newspapers will show what trouble it has caused. My wife is against it too because the kids operate by sunlight, not an arbitrary time schedule."



Nick Mastrocola, PRT: "I think it's stupid. People go around having daylight saving time without considering what it is doing to the romances of countless young people like myself. We don't like the idea of calling for our dates in broad open daylight and then having to take them home before the sun goes down--at least I don't."



Ben Vogel, Technical Illustrators: "I think of Daylight Saving Time as a fleigabout (not to be confused with the common house fly) because it raffles the unksoff. Some people however are inclined to seriphole it, others are just inclined, while spang of us are prostrate."



at the LABORATORY

The owners and operators. of the "Old Glory II," one of the Laboratory's more noteworthy seagoing craft, took her out on the first pre-season trail run of the year last Sunday. According to her owners, it was an emergency trip due to the emergency of quad-owner Hank Fedziuk's family showing up. With Commodore John Garvin on the poop deck, the Old Glory wobbled from her mooring on Sunset Creek with the assistance of Hank Pearson and Fedziuk who cast off the shrouds. She then steamed majestically down Hampton River into Hampton Roads where skipper Garvin moved her skillfully in and about the warships riding at anchor in the stream. From there, her crew took her into the far reaches of the lower James River. "We went under the bridge," said Garvin, "but they didn't have to raise the draw; the tide was low." The crew and guests numbered 14, among them Capt. Roy Kenney, of Boston and Langley Field. Capt. Kenney filled the position of assistant to Miss Buzz Walters who is Fifth Assistant Keeper of the Bilge. Capt. Kenney, who learned all about sailing last summer when he finished first in a race which started two hours after his own, now knows all about cruising. According to all hands, "it was a most eventful voyage, because it was so uneventful." However, it is reported that one guest had a little trouble keeping his lunch in place.

Now that June, the month for marriages. is just around the corner, young maidens are looking toward the future and making plans to become brides in the typical June fashion. The most recent one to reach us by way of the grapevine is Dorothy Young of Flight Research who plans to marry Stokes Dickens of Greenwood, Miss.

Judging from last Sunday's. "Daily Press", we've been scooped again. According to that particular issue of the local gazette one of the Laboratory romances that has been budding forth for the past three years is about to burst into bloom. Wedding bells will ring sometime this summer for Virginia Smith and Al Stokke, both of Aircraft Loads.

An honest-to-goodness fish fry. plus steamed crabs is being lined up by the Habba Habba Club of East Machine shop for this afternoon on the west area picnic grounds. It's the outfit's second blowout since organization took place a month ago. The feature recreational attraction will be a softball game between Ed Swansey's team and the Carolina Zebras, led by Joe Loviner.

With Division Chief Dolph Henry. standing by beaming as they gulped the food he and Bruce Amole had prepared, the Personnel folks enjoyed a real smorgasbord feast in the west area Monday night. There was plenty of everything on hand and everybody had all he wanted to eat and drink. All save one made it to work next day.

Hot Pilot Steve Cavallo. buzzed in the other day asking, "Whatsamatter wid all dis nooz the other ain't printin about da pilots' offis? We don't crash da headlines unless we bail outa a airplane. Whatsaguy gotta do--half kill himself or get married which is worst. I'm tellin ya not askin ya."

After keeping everybody in suspense. for quite some time, Leigh Lewis, Planning, and Viola Edwards, Maintenance Office, exchanged that well known happy look and Viola is now sporting her third finger, left hand, a la ring. The happy couple is so thrilled that they haven't made any definite plans at present.

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SOFTBALL SEASON OPENS MONDAY

The men's softball league of the Lab will pry the lid off the 1946 season Monday on the two new diamonds in the West Area. Auxiliary Flight Research takes on East Area Shops and 7 X 10 Tunnels meet Aircraft Loads in games beginning at 5:15 p.m.

The AFR-BAS game will be played on diamond number one, the one nearest the old Collier home. Manager Cliff Link of the Shopmen stated that he planned to have Irwin Schumacher on the mound and Don Lapworth behind the plate. Opposing them for AFR, Captain Bill Hagginbotham plans to use pitcher Sammy Vollo and catcher Ellis Katz.

Loads' Paul Harper and 7 X 10's John Lowery will be the opposing moundsmen for the game on number two diamond with Sid Batterson and Marvin Schuldenfrei donning the respective masks. Batterson captains the Loads aggregation and Norm Silvers leads the 7 X 10 team.

Joe Kotanchik and A. C. Bradley will umpire the number one game while Ben Winckowski and Eldon Neimann work the second.

BRIDGE TOURNEY TUESDAY, MAY 14

The LMAL Bridge Club will hold its second tournament on Tuesday, May 14, at the Symes-Eaton Community Center, and the deadline for entries has been set at Friday, May 10, according to Gene Frank, tournament chairman.

Carl Rossman, club president, announced that the executive committee had set an initiation fee of one dollar and monthly dues of fifty cents and that they had been approved by the membership. The initiation fee will include the first month's dues, and the regular dues will entitle the member to participation in all club activities, including tournaments, at no extra cost. The tournament entry fee for non-members is one dollar.

Those desiring to enter the tournament may contact Frank at the Safety Office or Rossman at Structures Research.

HULL TAKES FIRST IN MODEL MEET

Reid Hull came in again to take first place in the second meeting held by the Brain Busters at Langley Field last Sunday. Hull, who was winner in the first meet, averaged two minutes and twelve seconds but lost his winning ship in the match. When last seen, it was headed toward Langley View. The series of contests is being held to decide who will be sponsored by the Brain Busters at the Chicago Victory National Meet in July and Hull looks like a sure bet.

Dick Sladek came in for second place with an average of 1 minute, 39 seconds, and Jack Kinzler took third with 1 minute and 11 seconds. The last contest in the series will be held Sunday, May 12 at Langley Field.

LAB CLOCKS TO BE MOVED UP AN HOUR

The Laboratory will make a change from Eastern Standard Time to Eastern Daylight Saving Time, effective at 12:01 a.m. Sunday, May 5, it was announced this week by Engineer-in-Charge, Dr. H. J. E. Reid. The announcement was made following the acceptance of the time change by the Newport News city council and reasonable assurance that the rest of the community would do the same.

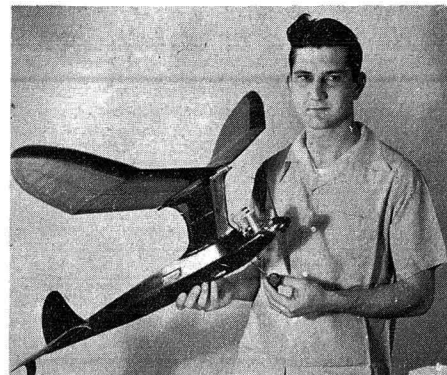
NEIHOUSE TALKS TO STUDENT IAS CHAPTER

A. I. Neihouse, Head of the Spin Tunnel, spoke at Blakburg Monday to the VPI Chapter of the Institute of the Aeronautical Sciences.

Neihouse was graduated from VPI in 1930 and took an MS in Electrical Engineering the following year, after which he accepted a position at the college to teach Physics and Math. He has been with the Committee since 1935.

ATTENTION, ACER'S

Members of the ACER, especially those who are approaching their twenty-sixth birthday, should notify Third Service Command, Baltimore 2, Md., of their current mailing address.



Ben Cleveland, West Machine Shop, poses with his four foot gas model. The ship was cracked up in a recent Brainbuster meet but has been repaired and is ready for the next contest.

GEN. SPAATZ

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Commanding General of the U. S. Army Air Forces on February 9, General Spaatz was Brigadier General, Commander-in-Chief of the Air Forces in Europe. He holds the DSC, DSM with 2 oak-leaf clusters, the DFC, and Legion of Merit. He was born in Boyertown, Pennsylvania on June 28, 1891. Educated at West Point, he began his service as a Second Lieutenant in 1914, and entered on his flying career with the 1st Aero Squadron in 1916. Since that time he has advanced through all the grades to full General. He was awarded the DFC for a refueling flight (The Question-Mark) in 1929, and the DSC for bringing down enemy planes in the St. Mihiel offensive in World War I. The other awards were earned in World War II, in connection with 8th Air Force activities and the strategic bombing of Northern Europe.

General Spaatz is at present residing in General Arnold's former headquarters at Fort Myer, Washington, D. C.

LATE SPORTS NEWS

Just as Air Scoop was going to press, word came that East Area Shops had dropped from the men's softball league, necessitating a change in the schedule. League officials promised that the revised schedule would be sent to team captains as soon as possible.

SOFTBALL SCHEDULE

WEEK OF	MONDAY		TUESDAY		WEDNESDAY		THURSDAY		FRIDAY	
	Diamond #1	Diamond #2	Diamond #1	Diamond #2	Diamond #1	Diamond #2	Diamond #1	Diamond #2	Diamond #1	Diamond #2
May 6	2-12	1-13	14-15	3-11	4-10	5-9	1-7	6-8	13-14	
13		14-6	15-5	13-7	11-9	12-8		6-2	5-3	4-1
20	1-11	5-7	2-10	3-9	4-8	12-14		1-6	9-15	2-7
27		15-8	14-9	13-10	12-11	4-3	X	X	X	X
June 3	1-10	2-9	3-8	4-7	5-6	11-14	12-13	10-15	2-8	
10		15-7	5-1	12-10	13-9	14-8	3-2		5-4	15-12
17	6-11	1-14		4-13	5-12	2-15	7-10	8-9	3-6	11-13

- 1 - Aircraft Loads
- 2 - Auxiliary Flight
- 3 - West Area Shops
- 4 - Structures Research
- 5 - 8-Foot High Speed Tunnel

- 6 - Instrument Research Division
- 7 - Atmospheric Wind Tunnel
- 3 - Low Turbulence
- 9 - Full Scale Tunnel
- 10 - 16-Foot Tunnel

- 11 - Propeller Research Tunnel
- 12 - East Area Shops
- 13 - 7 X 10-Foot Wind Tunnels
- 14 - 19-Foot Pressure Tunnel
- 15 - Dynamic Tunnels

RESTAURANTS GOING WAY OF ALL FLAME

The local community enjoyed its fifth eatery fire in a little more than two months Tuesday morning when the Central restaurant in downtown Hampton suffered at the hands of fire, smoke, and water to the tune of several thousand smackolas.

The parade of gastronomic conflagrations began late in February when Frank's, a Phoebus cafe noted for its lobsters, took the torch one Saturday night. A few Saturday nights later, the Club Casino, noted as the Peninsula's only night club, blazed away in a manner that left Hampton residents (who happened to be up at the hour) gazing into the sky with the horrible suspicion that some one had struck a match to Copeland Park. It was reported that the Casino had just been sold prior to the fire, then that it hadn't; and the story finally dropped from print with the public still confused. Both of these establishments suffered nearly total loss.

Somewhere along the line the Rendezvous, noted for being near the Wythe fire station, had a small fire with only a small loss.

Then on Friday night a couple of weeks ago, the High Hat, recently re-furnished in a decor never before approached locally, went down before a blaze. Suffering a partial loss, the manager hoped to get the place reopened in about six weeks.

The Central, which it was just noted on Saturday had started serving filet mignon one and one-half inches thick for one and one-half dollars, succumbed to an explosion of the automatic french fryer. Several hundred curious Nacas were late to work.

All of which leaves everybody wondering whether somebody has let this food shortage talk go too far to his head or the owner of some second class beanery believes in less competition. Anyway, it looks like a hungry summer all around.

WANTED: To buy a luggage trailer, old house trailer that might be used for same, or two old wheels. W. R. Wright, Hampton - 3757.

MISSING: Volume 1, Issues number 2 and 3 of "Journal of Aeronautical Meteorology". Please return to Bob Souter, Meteorological Lab.

FOR SALE: Pre-war Ohlsson Sixty. Recently overhauled and not operated since Reid Hill, East Engineering.

WANTED: To buy electric refrigerator. Mavis Henry, Library, East Area.

WANTED: Ride for two to New York or Washington over Decoration Day weekend. Call K. Margolis, Stability Analysis Section.

GEN. EISENHOWER VISITS CLEVELAND

On April 11, Dwight D. Eisenhower, General of the Army and Chief of Staff, visited the NACA research facilities at AERL and addressed the staff. Arriving in the Sunflower II, the same C-54 airplane which he used in Europe, General Eisenhower was greeted by John F. Victory, Executive Secretary, NACA.

Following a press conference, General Eisenhower made a tour of inspection of the Laboratory's research facilities. In the afternoon, the Laboratory staff gathered in front of the Administration Building to hear an address by the General.

In his address, he pointed out that the NACA had played a large part in winning the war and "that it could not have been won without the many research and development workers who brought to perfection the innumerable items of equipment with which our fighting men were supplied."

Others present at the Laboratory during the tour of inspection were Lieut. Gen. Nathan Twining, Commanding General of the Air Materiel Command, Wright Field; and Major Gen. Curtis E. LeMay, Air Corps, Chief of Research and Development.

FOR SALE: National "One" design sail boat and trailer. 22 feet overall, 16 feet at water line. Hollow mast, rayon sails, new stays, sailed two seasons. Call Hampton - 3982.

CIGARETTES GOING UP

Miss Sarah Rickman, Manager of the NACA Exchange, announced that beginning Monday, May 6, the price of cigarettes per carton will be increased from \$1.30 to \$1.35. She pointed out that this raise in price is due to the increase in wholesale prices of cigarettes, but that they will still sell for 15 cents per pack.

INSPECTION

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craft manufacturing and a number of top-ranking Army and Navy officers will visit the Laboratory during the inspection. The names of persons who have accepted invitations to visit here were not immediately available, however. Dwight D. Eisenhower, General of the Army and Chief of Staff, is among those expected to attend.

The guests on all 3 days will be transported within the Laboratory by chartered city busses, and efforts are being made to keep parking areas adjacent to buildings to be visited clear on the days of inspection. The May 9 and 15 sessions at the Base Theater begin at 9:35 Eastern Daylight Saving time and the May 13 session at 10:35 Eastern Daylight Saving Time.

RIDE NEEDED

A ride is needed desparately for an employee living in Newsome Park and working in the West Area. He can report to work anytime between 6:30 and 7:30 a.m. Call Personnel Services, 2377.

