

Air Scoop



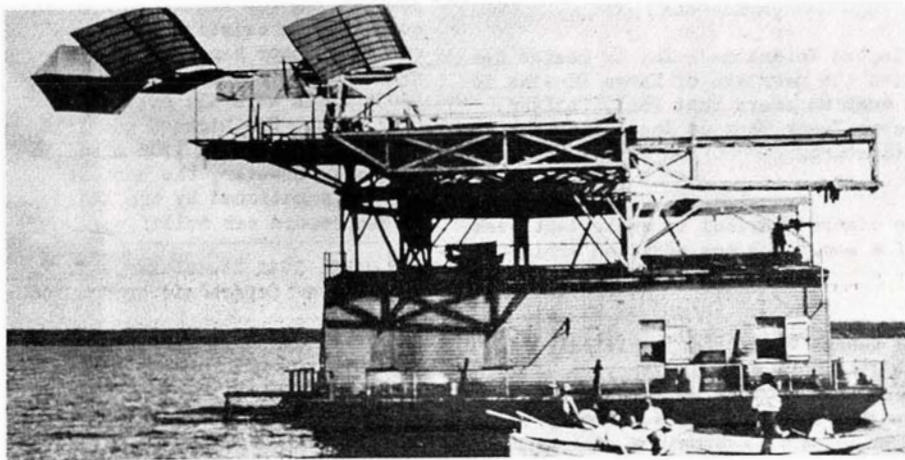
BINGO PARTY NEXT THURSDAY

Next Thursday is payday so it is also Bingo night. As usual the affair will get underway at 8:30 p.m. at the Activities Building. The grand prize will be a Lady or Lord Elgin wrist watch, depending on the sex of the winner. The jack pot was not won last time so next Thursday it will increase in value and the numbers called will be increased.

In addition to the grand prize, one of the regular prizes should attract quite a bit of attention especially among the fairer sex. It's a hand made crocheted bed spread.

Other prizes include a waffle iron, Pelican disposal can, pressure cooker, musical clock radio, Parker 51, electric clock, set of dishes and a carving set.

Air Scoop's Picture Album



Shown above is Samuel Pierpont Langley's large Aerodrome as it was mounted on its houseboat catapault for the first test flight on October 7, 1903. It was erected on the rear of a catapault track above a large houseboat on the Potomac. Its wings spanned 48 feet 5 inches, length 52 feet 5 inches, weight 750 pounds including the pilot. Its engine drove two pusher propellers mounted between the tandem wings and revolved by shafts and gears. The exact-scale miniature had flown very satisfactorily on August 8, 1903, but as the catapault mechanism was released for the test of the large craft, a pin on the launching car failed to release it as expected. The front guy post was pulled back, distorting the wing, and the aerodrome plunged into the river.

"LITTLE FOXES" OPENS TONIGHT

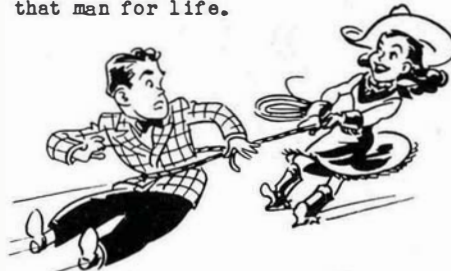
Tonight at 8:15 the curtain will rise on the first performance of the Hampton Little Theatre's production of "The Little Foxes" in the Hampton High School auditorium. This will mark the beginning of a new policy being tried by the Little Theatre; that is, the presentation of its plays on Friday and Saturday nights rather than Thursday and Friday as was previously done.

"There are several reasons for this change of nights", stated Tom Hulcher, president of the group and producer of "The Little Foxes". "In the first place, a good majority of our membership is composed of NACA employees, and many of these people are attending night school on Thursday nights. Then, too, night school presents a second problem in the matter of parking space.

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THIS IS IT!

These words adopted from G.I. jargon mean "the finale", "the wind-up", "the last chance" and that's what it is gals regarding the Leap Year Dance. You have kept him in suspense long enough, now go ahead and ask him. You have only a matter of hours until the doors open wide and give women a chance to pay, break and wait on "him". Tonight is the night to be bright and win that man for life.



Don't let the Little Theatre interfere with your plans; the play will be over at approximately 10:15 so you have lots of time to make a stylish entry and the last waltz is not until 2 a.m. Dave Goldenbaum says the Little Theatre will take on a first nighter appearance with the long dresses being worn and encourages your wearing them to the play.

Now for the last time here are the facts and figures, Leap Year Dance tonight, February 27 from 10 to 2 in the Activities Building. Dress is semi-formal, the music is by Joel Vause and the only mandatory fee is \$1.50 admission at the door (with or without).

"FRONTIERS OF FLIGHT" BEING DISTRIBUTED

George W. Gray's "Frontiers of Flight" has just been released and is being distributed this week to approximately 1,000 Laboratory employees.

"Frontiers of Flight", is the history of the development of the NACA research Laboratories and the work carried on by this organization.

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By Joe Blanco

Last Tuesday night the Brain Busters went over important business which has been in the planning stage since last October.

This business had to do with the editing and final adaptation of the Hydro article which is scheduled to appear in the "Air Trails" magazine soon. Club members contributing reports on various phases of hydro flying, float and airplane design, engine operation and float installation were Jesse Shepard, West Sheetmetal Shop; John Worth, Flight Research; Bill Poythress, West Engineering; Paul Marchal, West Engineering; Joe Dodson, West Engineering; and Reid Hull, East Engineering.

A few drawings, which should be turned in within the next two weeks, are the only holdups in its publication.

Reports to be published by the AMA were also discussed. These reports were parts of the Technical Conference held last October in conjunction with the Hydro Meet. Two of the reports, which will be published, are by Hewitt Phillips, Flight Research, and Walt Good.

This past meeting saw two new members inducted into the club. An ex-Brainbuster, Robert Dagand, now calling Los Angeles his home, surpassed an existing world record in indoor hand launched glider. The record time is 1:07. Bob's times were all over record time. His highest was 1:18 with 1:14, 1:09 and 1:08 also clocked. However, the contest was not sanctioned by the AMA so the record was nullified.

FOR SALE: 1941 Studebaker. T. T. Starkey, 4' Supersonic or H - 7460.

FOR SALE: Metal Clarinet. \$45. Call Hampton 6246 after 5 p.m.

FOR SALE: Vivel twin '60 with twin coil and condenser and a Delong '30. Will buy or trade the above for Supersonic '60. Don Hewes, Free Flight Tunnel.

FOR SALE: Double Bed with spring and mattress. A. Spear, Const. Eng.

WANTED: Surplus stove pipe. Cecil Hickman, Equipment Control.

Life At The Laboratory

Passing out cigars.

this week is Roy Lange of Full Scale Tunnel. He became the father of a daughter on Wednesday, February 18. The mother, Audrey, is formerly of the Library.

Visting the Laboratory.

and greeting old friends last week were Eve and Jerry Lerverenz, formerly of 8-Foot High Speed Tunnel, and Florence Timberlake Wood, formerly of Personnel.



Tonight is the night when the members of the fairer sex launch their campaign for the remaining part of Leap Year. The plans for lassoing the man of their choice will start when the women escort the "young gentlemen" to the

Leap Year Dance in the Activities Building. Some maidens may be faster workers than others and complete their conquest tonight but those who run into difficulties are reminded that there are ten more months in the year. As a bit of consolation for those who find the going a bit tough, Henry Ward Beecher once said, "Victories that are cheap are cheap. Those only are worth having which come as the result of hard fighting."

Wedding bells rang.

last Sunday when Ruby Hellard, Reproduction, took her final vows with Walter J. Felker in the First Baptist Church of Stony Point, North Carolina.

We just discovered.

that another Laboratory maiden selected Valentine's Day to change her name to Mrs. Hart. Last week we reported the marriage of Norma Blevins to James Hart on Valentine's Day and this week we heard that Polly Pollard, Impact Loads, picked the same day to marry Frank Hart of Instrument Services. The wedding took place in Williamsburg.

The Stock Section.

is gradually recuperating from the cigars they had to smoke last week when Walter Porter became the father of a son. The new addition arrived on Wednesday, February 18.

So far we have heard.

of only one new arrival who picked George Washington's birthday for his entrance into the world. The new addition is Francis Terry, 5 pound, 11 ounce son of Francis Wolak, East Model. The mother, Mildred Terry, is formerly of the Leave Office. Now we are anxious to see how many Leap Year babies will be delivered to the homes of Laboratory employees, so be sure and let us hear about them.

Mrs. Emma McSmith.

East Erection Shop, expresses appreciation to NACA employees who furnished clothing for distribution to those in need during the recent inclement weather. "Calls have been many, and needs varied, yet the material supplied by the personnel has helped in a wonderful way toward meeting those needs," Mrs. McSmith said.

FOR SALE: 1941 2 door Ford deluxe. Mrs. G. Roberts, Hampton - 5455.

FOR SALE: Studio couch. June Sallards, Hampton 3-2153.

FOR SALE: Play pen and baby stroller. 440 E. St., Copeland Park.

LEAGUE NEARS END OF PLAY

Only two games were scheduled to be played this week in the Men's Basketball League due to other use of the Activities Building. The Stability #1 team received a forfeit from Pilotless Aircraft Research to give them nine wins and one loss in the league standings.

In the Aircraft Loads - PRD game, Loads came out on the winning end of 37-21 final score. Loads got a head start early in the game and led at half time by the score of 15-7. The PRD boys were never able to get within close range of the winners. This win gave Loads seven wins and only one loss. Taking high scoring honors for the winners was Mertens with 22 points and tops for the losers was Ed Kilgore with 9.

Up to date the West Machine Shop team is leading the league in offensive play with an average of 39.5 points per game. Loads is second with a 33.3 average, 19-Foot is third with 32, and Stability #1 and Variety fall in fourth and fifth place with 31.4 and 31.2, respectively. Leading in defensive play is Loads with an average of 23.1 points scored against them per game. 16-Foot is second with 23.5, Stability #1 comes in third with 24.2, and Variety and West Machine are tied for fourth with 24.6. Stability #2 is setting a new record. They are on the bottom of the league with 0 wins and 9 losses; on the bottom of the offensive standings with an average of 12.2 points per game, and on the bottom of the defensive standings with an average of 43.4 points against them per game.

The games scheduled for March 3 have been postponed until March 10. The remaining part of the schedule is as follows:

March 2 - 6 p.m. PARD versus IRD; 7 p.m. Loads versus 19-Foot.
March 10 - 6:30 PARD versus Stability #2; 7:30 Variety versus PRD; 8:30 Loads versus West Machine; and 9:30 9-Inch versus IRD.

STANDINGS

Team	W	L	Avg.
Stability #1	9	1	.900
Loads	7	1	.875
19-Foot	6	4	.600
W. Machine	6	4	.660
16-Foot	6	4	.600
Variety	6	4	.600
9-Inch	5	5	.500
IRD	4	4	.500
PARD	3	5	.375
PRD	3	6	.333
W. Model	1	9	.100
Stability #2	0	9	.000



Player	Team	FG	F	TP	G	Avg.
Mertens	Loads	57	13	127	8	15.9
Himka	16'	49	7	105	8	13.1
Cancro	19'	45	14	104	9	11.6
Polhamus	Sta. 1	51	2	104	9	11.6
Davis	19'	43	7	93	10	9.3
Liccini	Variety	26	16	68	9	7.6

JUKE BOX DANCE SET FOR FRIDAY

Next Friday night at 7:30 is the time set for the NACA Basketball League's Juke Box Dance at the Activities Building. Good music will be provided by the nation's top band leaders and vocalists.

The proceeds from the affair will go towards purchasing an electric score board for the use of the Basketball Leagues. The admission is only twenty-five cents per person and tickets may be obtained from members of the basketball league or from the Air Scoop Office, Service Building.

FOR SALE: 1935 Chevrolet coach. P. A. Hunter, Flight, or H 3-3240.

BOWLING NEWS

TENPIN LEAGUE

Last week the Splinters won 3 games to take over the number one spot in the league. High game for the evening went to Bob Kenimer, Pinbusters, with a 207 score, closely followed by Les Oborny, Alleycats, with 205. Oborny also bowled the high individual set with 557. Barbara Durling, Fiscal Wrecks, rolled a 149 game for women's high game, while high set went to Ferne Driver, Fiscal Wrecks, with 384. The Alleycats rolled both high game and set with 886 and 2364, respectively.

STANDINGS

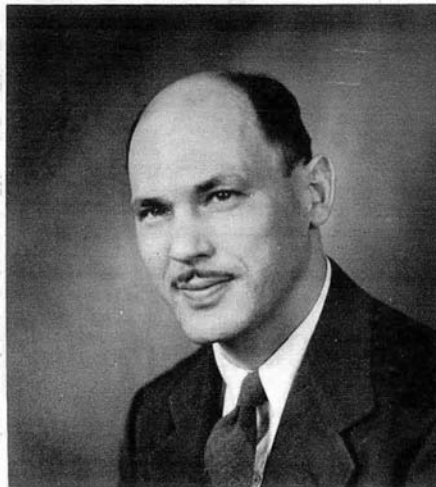
Team	W	L	Avg.
Splinters	7	2	.778
Low Turbulence	6	3	.667
Headpins	8	4	.667
Pinbusters	6	3	.667
Missilot	6	5	.545
Aces	6	6	.500
Pinpoints	6	6	.500
Structures	6	6	.500
Alleycats	5	7	.416
East Model	5	7	.416
Missilleaneous	3	5	.375
Paris	4	8	.333
Fiscal Wrecks	3	9	.250

WANTED: Alternate driver from Armistead Ave. to E.A. on 8 shift. Charlie Barrison, 2213.

For sale; Five cubic foot Kelvinator refrigerator. Stan Scher, Spin Tunnel.



THIS YOUNG LADY IS SPENDING A GALA EVENING BY NOT ASKING A YOUNG MAN TO GO DANCING



Shown above are Laboratory employees who will take part in the Hampton Little Theatre's production of "The Little Foxes" tonight and tomorrow night at the Hampton High School auditorium. On the left is Jack Park-

inson, Chief of the Hydrodynamics Division, who will enact the role of Horace Giddens. In the center is Director Dave Goldenbaum, Tank #1; and on the right is Producer Tom Hulcher, Pilotless Aircraft Research.

LITTLE THEATRE PLAY

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Often persons have arrived at the high school and been discouraged by the lack of convenient parking space in bad weather or the belief that with so many cars outside, there will likely be no available seats in the auditorium. There are also such things as club meetings, the Bingo games at the Activities Building and the fact that people work on Fridays which helped to dissuade us from the Thursday performances.

"However, this change is still an experiment, and not a definite policy as yet," Hulcher continued. "It may be that Saturday will prove to be even more conflicting than Thursday, but only time and public opinion will tell. The Board of Directors will welcome any comments you may have regarding the new performance nights, in order that we may best serve the will of the majority.

"In the meantime let me urge you not to miss "The Little Foxes". Dave Goldenbaum has lined up a superb cast and turned in another of his fine directing jobs."

Hulcher also stated that the Leap Year Dance need not interfere with plans for attending the play as the curtain will fall at approximately 10:15. He also urged party goers to come in their formal attire as it will save time for those planning to attend the dance and lend atmosphere to the Little Theatre's opening night.

FOR RENT: Rooms for gentlemen in Wythe. 304 Brightwood, Ave.

FAMILIES URGED TO HAVE X-RAYS

Laboratory employees have been requested to encourage members of their families, 15 years of age or older, who reside in Hampton, Phoebus and Elizabeth City County, to attend the tuberculosis X-ray clinic being conducted each Friday until further notice at the Hampton City Hall.

No disrobing is necessary and the x-ray is free of charge, being sponsored jointly by the Elizabeth City County Tuberculosis Association and the Hampton City Health Department. The complete process for each person takes less than a minute, it was announced by clinic officials.

Mrs. J. B. Violette, executive secretary of the tuberculosis association, said that reports of the examination will be sent to the family physician of each individual. In addition, all persons will be notified by mail.



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DINNER MEETING NEXT TUESDAY

The Hampton Roads Sub-Section of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers will meet for dinner at the Morale Activities Building at 7 p.m. Wednesday, March 3. After the dinner there will be two talks in the Instrument Research Laboratory. The talks will be on "Radio Telemetry" and "Electrical Instrumentation for Force and Pressure Measurements.

The Instrument Research Laboratory will open at 8 p.m. and those who wish to hear the talks but who are unable to attend the dinner may go on to IRD.

Persons wishing to attend either the talks or the dinner are asked to contact Kitty Joyner, 2384, or Morton Stoller, 4440 by Tuesday noon.

Coming Events

Printed below is a calendar of events scheduled to take place in the Activities Building throughout the coming week.

- Feb. 27 - Leap Year Dance
- March 1 - Girls' Basketball
- March 2 - Bridge Club
- Men's Basketball
- Volley Ball
- March 3 - Electrical Dinner
- March 4 - Bingo Party
- March 5 - Juke Box Dance
- March 6 - Loads Party

FOR RENT: Room for man. 445 Newport News Ave. or call Hampton 5475.

WANTED: Riding combination from James River Bridge or Huntington Court to W.A. on 8 shift. Dave Buchanan, 4560.