

Air Scoop



CHILDREN'S PARTY SET FOR DEC. 22

The grown-ups have been enjoying themselves all year at the various parties at the Activities Building but Wednesday, December 22 will be a day for the children when the NACA Activities Association sponsors a children's Christmas party at the Activities Building. The affair will get underway at 6 p.m. and last until 8. All children of Laboratory employees are invited and the party will be free.

Santa Claus will put in a personal appearance at the party to take a few of the last minute orders and he will present each child with a gift in addition to a bag of fruit, nuts, and candy. Other forms of entertainment are also being planned.

So that adequate arrangements can be made to accommodate the group, employees who are planning to bring their children to the party are asked to contact the "Air Scoop" Office, telephone 2376 not later than Friday, December 17.

HOME BUILDERS COURSE OFFERED

The Adult Education Department at Hampton High School announces the starting of a course entitled "Home Builders Forum". The class is for persons interested in planning new homes and will be conducted as a discussion group with Albert Diamont as leader.

Diamont plans to bring to the group individuals who can give authoritative information on various kinds of materials used in home construction. The course will start on January 10 and will meet on Monday nights at 7:30. The enrollment will be limited to 25 persons so it is important that prospective home builders register now. The registration desk near the Victoria Avenue entrance to Hampton High School will be open next week on Monday and Thursday evenings from 7 to 8:30.

EMPLOYEE RETIRES AFTER 29 YEARS



Charles W. Wolf

Charles W. Wolf, the Laboratory's second oldest employee in point of service, retired from the Laboratory last Tuesday due to physical disability. At the time of his retirement he had served 29 years with the Committee.

Born July 12, 1893 in Lincoln, Illinois, Wolf entered on duty at the Laboratory September 22, 1919 as a car mechanic. He is one of three Laboratory employees who were here for the dedication of the first wind tunnel on June 11, 1920 - the other two being R. E. Mixson and Benjamin Bennett.

Prior to his employment at the Laboratory he spent 5 years in the U.S. Armed Forces and held the rank of Sergeant First Class at the time of his discharge.

On July 20, 1920 Wolf was made Leadingman of the Dynamometer Laboratory and was later transferred to the Flight Maintenance and Repair Section. In 1936 he went to the Sheetmetal Shop where he has been Chief Shop Superintendent for the past few years.

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NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY DEC. 31

The Activities Association takes pleasure in announcing it's annual New Year's Eve Dance will be held in the Activities Building on Friday, December 31, from 9 p.m. 'til 2 a.m.

Music will be furnished by Robert Christian and his Royal Swingsters.

The dance will be semi-formal which generally means long dresses for women and tux or tails optional for the men. The admission price is \$5 a couple which includes set-ups, hats, noise makers, ice, etc.



Tickets will go on sale in the East and West Cafeterias Monday, December 12. Reservations for tables may be made by calling Harry Hamilton or Mrs. Branham at 2378. Since only 250 tickets are to be sold it will be necessary to turn in the numbers of the tickets for all the couples in the party when making reservations.

SEEKS INFORMATION FOR TRAFFIC PANEL

Harold R. Turner, Safety Officer, will participate as a member of the Peninsula Safety Council in a panel discussion to be held at the council's meeting at 8:30 p.m. Tuesday in Newport News on the subject, "Current Traffic Law Violation Trends".

Members of the Virginia bar, judges, and law enforcement leaders will join the council in a discussion of the subject. Any one desiring to offer observations for use in the panel discussion may forward them to Turner in time for the Tuesday meeting, he announced.

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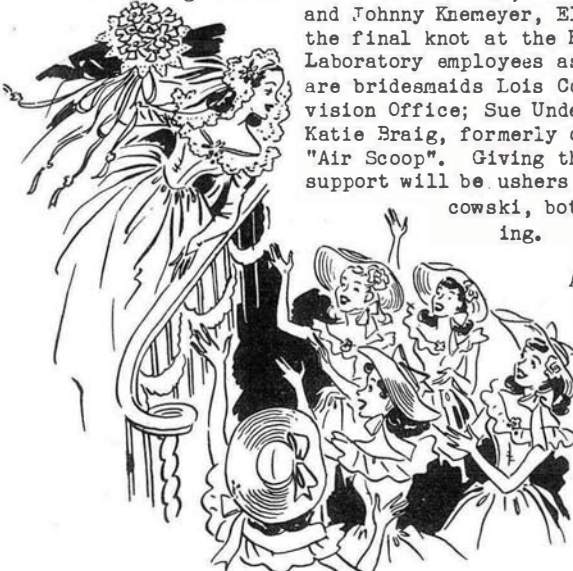
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LIFE AT THE LABORATORY

Passing out cigars.
 is A. C. Norsworthy, Jr., Maintenance. He became the father of a daughter on Monday, November 29.

Wedding bells.
 will ring tomorrow when Louise Neal, Office of Personnel Officer, and Johnny Knemeyer, Electrical Engineers, tie the final knot at the Hampton Baptist Church. Laboratory employees assisting in the affair are bridesmaids Lois Cole, General Services Division Office; Sue Underhill, Full Scale Tunnel; Katie Braig, formerly of Files; and Ruth Angel, "Air Scoop". Giving the nervous groom moral support will be ushers Mark Cole and Ben Win-cowski, both of Electrical Engineer-ing.



Another Laboratory.
 bachelor who took a nose-dive into the sea of matrimony was James J. Donegan, Jr., of Aero Loads. He was married November 20 to Dorothy De Lullo of Philadelphia.

Sporting a new.
 sparkler on the third finger left hand is

Dorothy Comstock, Flight Research Computers. The other half of the two-some is Robert A. Champine, Pilots, and the big event will take place Saturday, December 18 at the bride's home.

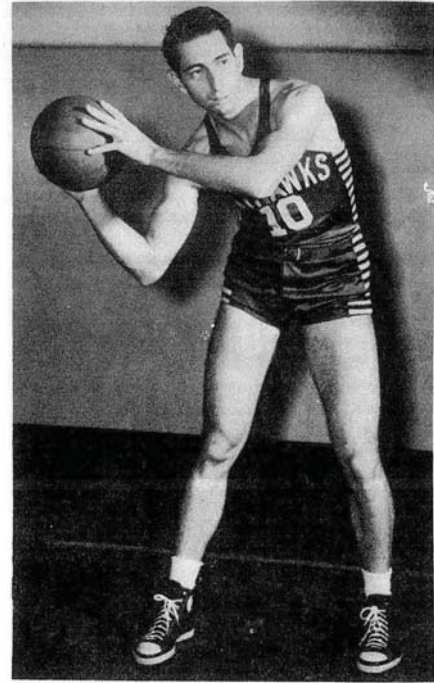
Last week was.
 the week for sons and this seems to be daughter week. Celebrating the arrival of a new heir is Robert Byrne, Gas Dynamics, and the new lady of the household, Pamela, arrived on Wednesday, December 1.

The stork visited.
 the Proctor household Friday, December 3 and left a 7 pound, 6 ounce son, Bernard Carlson. The proud mother, Kitty, is formerly of the West Dispensary.

It's happened at last.
 John Houbolt, Structures Research, went and got himself engaged to Mary Morris, also of Structures, last Tuesday night. John leaves this week for 6 months in England after which he will return to Langley and settled down with a wife. Houbolt is one of the charter members of the Bachelor's club so moving up to take his place will be Dick Whitcomb, 8-Foot High Speed Tunnel. Dick will reach the 28 year old mark in February.

Gradually recuperating.
 from the ordeal of becoming a new father is Don Talmage, Flight Research. He became the father of a daughter on Friday, December 3. The mother, Gloria, is formerly of Flight Computers. Also celebrating the arrival of a daughter on the same day is Andy Sea, Photo Lab.

MEET THE SKYHAWKS



Luke Liccini

The tallest man on the Skyhawk team is Luke Liccini who stands 6-foot and 2-inches high. He alternates back and forth between the guard and center position and had had little basketball experience before coming to the Laboratory in May 1946. Most of his spare time at Catholic University was spent at track meets or on the baseball diamond.

Luke hails from Washington, D. C. and he received his education at Catholic University where he received a B.A. degree in Aeronautical Engineering in May 1944. When Luke first hit Langley Field he was sent to 8-Foot High Speed Tunnel where he stayed until he was transferred a year or so ago to Gas Dynamics. One of the original members of the Skyhawk team, he has played with the 8-Foot team and the Variety Club in the NACA Basketball League. During the latter part of the 1947-48 season he coached the St. Vincent basketball team of Newport News.

Luke is single, unattached, and he reached the quarter century mark last August.

FOR RENT: 3 room furnished apartment. Mrs. Black, 105 Shenandoah Rd.

WANTED: Ride from Jefferson Ave. Langley View to W.A. on 3 shift. Walls, 4593.

FOR SALE: 1947 Nash 600 four door sedan. Wilson, H - 7617.

HONEYMOON NOT SO BAD AFTER ALL

Back from a honeymoon which attracted nation-wide publicity are Jayne Stanaway, Report Typing, and Frank Fromal, Electrical Section.

The couple was married Saturday, November 27 at the St. Vincent's Church in Newport News. The unusual started happening right before the ceremony when the bridegroom started to dress for the big event and found that the tailor had given him the wrong pair of trousers. With 30 minutes to go before aisling it, he rushed down town only to have the tailor tell him that he didn't think he had a pair that would fit. A pair was finally found and everything seemed to be running rather smoothly until they reached Baltimore.

The honeymooners were heading for New York but stopped over at Baltimore Saturday. Sunday morning when they were ready to leave the hotel they couldn't find the car and were advised by the hotel clerk to check with the police. They did and were informed that the car was in the city impounding lot where it had been towed the night before because of improper parking. Frank was told that he could have the car back after he paid the fines and produced the registration card, which he had left at home.

Frank called his father and the card was put in the mail-special delivery. Thursday the card had not arrived and it was finally found after the Postmaster ordered a search. It had been sent to "Frank", instead of "D.F." Fromal and sent back by the hotel with a quick "not registered here". The embittered honeymooners finally got their car back, but it was too late for the New York trip.

Baltimore, trying to make up for their disappointment, went all out for love and marriage. Mayor D'Alesandro paid a \$12.25 fine for the bridegroom and presented the bride a key to the city. Shortly thereafter things started happening.

The couple was whisked away from City Hall to appear on radio and television programs over TV-WBAL. They lunched at the Sheraton Belvedere as guests of "The News-Post", and went to the Ford's Theatre where they met Rex Harrison, the star, who presented them with tickets to his show.

The couple never reached New York but they both agree that Baltimore is a very nice honeymoon spot.



After police released their impounded car, honeymooners Jayne, Report Typist, and Frank Fromal, Electrical Section, were presented the key to the city and wished a long and happy marriage by Mayor D'Alesandro of Baltimore.

Coming Events

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

- Dec. 10 - Supervisor's Club
- Dec. 11 - Compressibility Research Division Dance
- Dec. 12 - PRD Party
- Dec. 13 - Basketball League
Volley Ball
Art Class
- Dec. 14 - Bridge Club
Girls' Basketball
- Dec. 15 - Male Chorus
Volley Ball
Basketball League
- Dec. 16 - Loads Party
- Dec. 17 - Maintenance Party
- Dec. 18 - 7 X 10 Dinner
- Dec. 19 - Flight Research
W. Sheetmetal

FOR SALE: 35mm Contax II sonnar f2. Woolston, Hampton 6938.

WANTED: Rides during Christmas to the following places:

- Texas, Magstadt, 2214.
- Montgomery, Ala., Hockcutt, GRI.
- Chicago, Jenness, 4507.
- New York, Beck, 4593.
- Charlotte, N.C., E. Ehitley, 2229.
- Johnson City, Tenn., King, H-5917.
- New York, Kalkin, 2336.
- N.Y. or Newark, Semento, 2353.
- Greenville, S.C., Putner, 4524.

SOME FAIL TO HEED "NO PARKING" SIGNS

A portion of the parking lot across from the Warehouse Building in the West Area has been set aside for the use of NACA trucks and other official NACA vehicles. Difficulty has been encountered recently because some employees are disregarding the signs which prohibit the parking of private vehicles in the marked-off area.

The cooperation of all employees is requested in keeping this area clear for use by official vehicles only.

CREDIT UNION NOTICE

Members of the LAL Federal Credit Union are reminded to reserve Tuesday night, January 25 for the Annual Membership Meeting of the organization. The meeting will be held at the Activities Building and all members are urged to attend as important business will be discussed.

WANTED: Passengers from Cary St. to E.A. on 8 shift. Cofer, 2216.

WANTED: Passengers during Christmas to the following places:

- Pittsburgh, Kruszewski, 4469.
- Durham, N.C., Poe, 2277.
- New York, Schmidt, 4503.

BOWLING NEWS

TENPIN LEAGUE

Last week EIGS went into the lead in League A when the Cost Office dropped two out of three games. Missilleaneous took a step towards catching the Headpins and are now only one game behind. Smith, W. Engineering, bowled high game with a 212, but lost high set to Reusch, Structures, who hit a 539. Barbara Durling, Alleycats, was high for the women with a 147 game and 399 set. Headpins topped all other teams last week by virtue of their 854 game and 2311 set.

STANDINGS League A

Team	W	L	Avg.
EIGS	17	7	.708
Cost Office	16	8	.657
Low Turbulence	15	9	.625
East Model	14	10	.583
W. Engineering	13	11	.542
Alleycats	11	10	.524
Missilot	10	11	.476
Figures	10	14	.417
Splinters	8	13	.381
Full Scale	8	16	.333
Waki Sakis	8	16	.333

League B

Headpins	16	5	.762
Missilleaneous	15	6	.714
Structures	14	10	.583
Pinbusters	11	10	.524
16-Foot	10	11	.476
Flight Mechanics	10	11	.476
Flying Pins	11	13	.458
PARIS	8	13	.381
Deadloads	7	14	.333
Tyros	6	15	.286

MONDAY DUCKPIN LEAGUE

Mechanical Maintenance took over the lead last week by virtue of their 3 wins while 19-Foot lost 2 games to drop down to second place. Taking high bowling honors were Bill Nelson, IAL, with a 123 game, Bill Hickman, Somnambowlists, with a 322 set, and Ann Johnson, PRD, with a 109 game and 285 set.

STANDINGS

Team	W	L	Avg.
Mech. Maint.	23	10	.697
19-Foot	21	12	.636
Somnambowlists	20	13	.606
Tank	18	15	.545
PRD	16	17	.485
FGDA	16	17	.485
16-Foot	15	18	.455
Rocketeers	15	18	.455
Electrical Shop	11	22	.333
IAL	10	23	.303

WEDNESDAY DUCKPIN LEAGUE

CRIS lead the Wednesday bowlers with 23 wins and 7 losses. Leading with high individual averages are C. Noce, CRIS, with 110.9 and Ferne Driver 16-Foot, with 94.4.

TEMPORARY P-1'S MUST TAKE RE-EXAM

Attention is called to a paragraph in the Fourth U.S. Civil Service Region's announcement No. 4-78 (1948) of exams for Engineers, Mathematicians, Physicists, and Metallurgists, grade P-1. The paragraph reads: "Eligibility established for these positions under previous announcement will be expired upon the establishment of new registers."

Persons who received eligible ratings on previous exams but who have not received probational appointments as a result of them, should file for the new P-1 exam if they wish to continue their name on the regional office's register of eligibles for that grade.

For copies of the announcement, application forms, or further information, call the Board of Civil Service Examiners, telephone 2226.

TOUCH FOOTBALL

Although Saturday's games were rained out, Sunday's card produced two very close games.

In a closely played contest between Structures and West Sheet-metal, Len Bartone intercepted a pass to put Structures in the lead by a 6-0 score; however, a reverse from Gear to Burks resulted in a T.D. for the opponents and the game ended in a 6-6 tie.

In the last few minutes of play Loads scored to down the Independents 6-0. Don Cheatham, whose passing had moved Loads down the field to a scoring position, elected to run with the ball to score and win the game.

FOR SALE: 6 cubic foot refrigerator. Sternfield, Stability Analysis.

WANTED: Ride from Buckroe to E.A. on 8 shift. Betty Fuller, Editorial Office.

WANTED: Riding combination from Lakeside to W.A. on 8 shift, Becht, 4462.

STANDINGS

Team	W	L	Avg.
G.R.I.S.	23	7	.767
Ragouts	19	11	.633
S.R.U.	18	12	.600
16-Foot	17	13	.567
PARDners	15	15	.500
Sound Lab	13	17	.433
Stenographic	12	18	.400
Structures	12	18	.400
Independents	11	19	.367
Deadpins	10	20	.333

SKYHAWKS LOSE GAME 56-55

The NACA Skyhawks lost another heart-breaker last Tuesday night when the Newport News Apprentice School barely nosed them out 56-55, in an overtime period. With three minutes left to play Chuck Bennett sank a long shot which tied things up 45-all. The Apprentices made good their foul shot to lead 46-45 but Billy Bates came back to make good a charity shot to tie the game again. With 4 second left to play, Ken Merten, who topped the scorers with 17 points, missed a try from the free throw lane.

Shortly after the extra five-minute period opened, the Skyhawks moved into a 3-point lead, 49-46, on Luchuk's hook shot and Merten's free throw. Cooper sank a set shot for the A's and Merten came back with a basket to put NACA out in front again by 3 points. With less than a minute to play the A's sank 2 two-pointers to take a 56-53 lead and Luchuk scored for NACA to cut down the winners lead to 56-55.

This was the Skyhawk's second defeat at the hands of the Newport News Apprentice School, and the second time that the two clubs have staged overtime battles.

Sunday the team will journey to Richmond to tangle with the Richmond Royals who defeated the Langley Fliers 74-48 last Tuesday.

VOLLEY BALL

Team	W	L	Avg.
9-Inch	8	1	.889
24-Inch	12	3	.800
PARD-Reds	11	4	.733
E. Engineering	7	5	.583
PRD	6	6	.500
Tank 2	4	5	.445
Flight Whites	5	7	.417
PARD Blues	4	8	.333
Flight Pilots	4	8	.333
Structures	3	9	.250
RMA	2	10	.200

FOR RENT: 2 rooms. Mrs. Taylor, 331 Armistead Ave., H 4028.

FOR SALE: Record player with high fidelity amplifier. Heberle, PRD.

FOR SALE: 1942 Packard, 4 door sedan. \$895. Col. Sykes, L.F. 7106 during day, L.F. 6131 after 5 p.m.

WANTED: To join car pool from Jefferson Ave. traffic circle to E.A. on 8 shift. Simon, 2281.

WANTED: Passengers or Ride from Beaconsdale to E.A. on 7:30 shift. Main, 2315.