

# Air Scoop



## 111 EMPLOYEES ELIGIBLE FOR SERVICE AWARD

Laboratory officials pointed out this week that approximately 111 employees are eligible for the NACA Meritorious Service Emblem and plans are being made to present the emblems to the group during the first part of August.

According to the record, 104 male and 7 female employees are eligible for the service emblems. Robert E. Mixson, Chief, General Services Division, is the Laboratory's oldest employee in point of service and he will be eligible for the 30 year pin on August 11. The fifteen year pin will be presented to 42 employees, the 20 year pin to 46, and 23 employees are eligible for the 25 year pin.

The gold-filled, emblematic pins have the basic wing design of the NACA insignia and are embossed

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## ACTIVITIES BUILDING OPEN SUNDAY AFTERNOON

Laboratory employees are reminded that starting Sunday the Activities Building will be open every Sunday Afternoon from 1 until 5.

It is thought that Laboratory employees and their friends will tend to take more advantage of the picnic area if the building's rest room facilities are made available to picnickers. Officials of the Association pointed out that the Laboratory possesses one of the best picnic grounds in this vicinity and it is hoped that this added service will influence employees in planning more family and group outings.

As was pointed out last week, the building will be open for a trial period of approximately one

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## X-RAY SURVEY STARTS AUG. 2

Preparations are being made by the Laboratory's Health Unit in cooperation with the State Department of Health for the 1949 chest X-ray survey of Lab employees. Dates for the 1949 survey have been scheduled and preliminary work for the program is underway. The scheduled dates are August 2-5 and August 8-10.

It is planned to use the same locations as in the 1948 survey with employees in the East Area being served in the East Area Dispensary located in the Utility Building and the West Area employees being X-rayed in the lounge room of the Activities Building.

As has been customary for the past few years, there will be no charge for this service and disrobing will be unnecessary. Although participation in the X-ray survey is entirely voluntary, it is strongly recommended that each employee avail himself of the opportunity of obtaining this valuable diagnostic service. For the

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## LEWIS EMPLOYEES RECEIVE EMBLEM

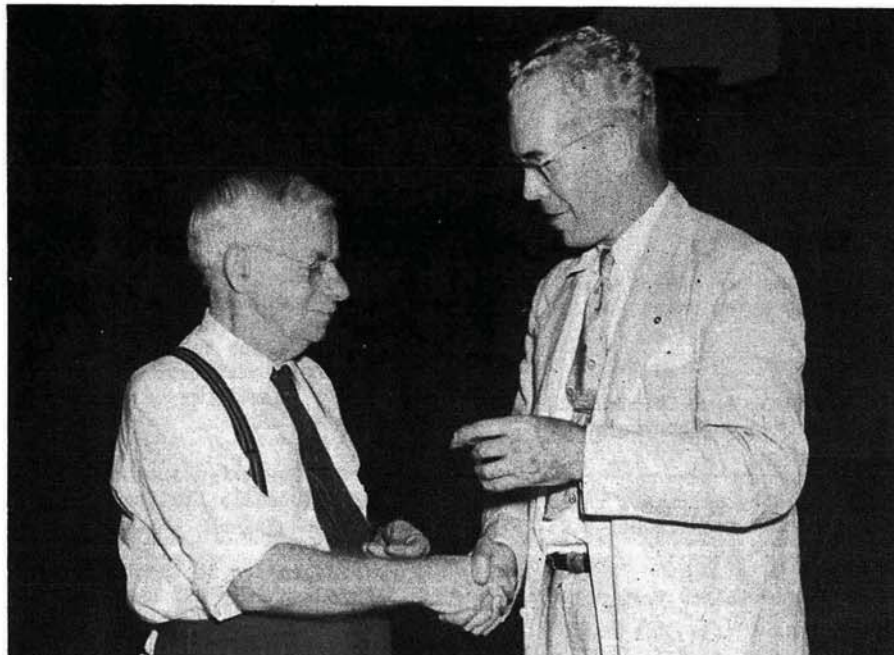
On June 29, twenty-nine employees of the Lewis Laboratory were awarded the NACA's Meritorious Service Emblem in the auditorium of the Administration Building.

Dr. Edward R. Sharp, Director, presented the emblems preceded by a brief commendation for each recipient read by Robert Sessions, Executive Officer.

John F. Victory, Executive Secretary and the first employee of the Committee, presented the introductory remarks in which he stated that the success of the NACA is accountable not to the facilities, but to the devotion and loyalty of its staff members. He also pointed out that the NACA has grown from a single employee in 1915 to more than 6,000 scientists and technicians.

Victory presented the 25 year

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Dr. H. J. E. Reid, Director, presents William E. "Scotty" Wallace with the 25 year NACA Meritorious Service Emblem at a retirement party last Friday night in his honor. "Scotty", who retired from the Laboratory last Monday, was also presented a Gruen wrist watch. —Photo by Bill Taub



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## LIFE AT THE LABORATORY

As was announced. . . . .

Last week, it was decided to have Axel Mattson, who will desert the Bachelor ranks next Saturday, to appoint his successor as advisor to the Bachelor's Club. After giving the matter serious consideration, Axel has finally made his decision. He pointed out that quite a few members are well qualified for the position but he feels that Earl Stahl, Dynamic Model Shop, is the man for the job. In recommending him for the position, Axel stated that he has always felt that his own qualifications and abilities were far inferior to Earl's and he pointed out further that had he consulted earlier with Earl that his present problem would probably have been different. Earl, who is five feet, 10½ inches tall, will celebrate his thirty-first birthday on August 2.

Quite a few. . . . .

Babies were born this week. Keeping the Walter Bressette household awake nights is a new daughter who arrived on Tuesday, July 12. The happy father works in Pilotless Aircraft Research.

Word has just. . . . .

Reached the Laboratory that two former employees of Central Files recently became proud mothers. Quite pleased with her new offspring is Betty Newbold Schannon. The new arrival is a daughter, Mary Sherrod, and she was delivered on Friday, July 8. The other proud mother is Jean Allen Council and her new daughter, Cynthia Faye, arrived on Monday, July 11.

Quite a few Laboratory. . . . .

Employees are undergoing treatment at the various Peninsula hospitals. Hubert Battle, East Machine, is receiving treatment at the Dixie Hospital for injuries received in an automobile accident. At the Buxton are Lester Willey, Instrument Construction; Charles Brooks, Flight Research; and Carl Christenburg, 4-Foot Supersonic Tunnel. In Riverside are John C. Taylor, Maintenance Construction and Repair, and James M. Watson, 7 X 10. Ralph E. Wagner, Jr., East Machine, is in the Kecoughtan Hospital and John Rawls, Purchase, is at De Pauw in Norfolk.

Of course, this column. . . . .

wouldn't be complete without another IRD baby. Bringing the total number of arrivals for the year to 25 is the new son of William Yoakum. The new heir weighed in at seven pound, seven ounces and he has been named John Franklin.

Passing out cigars. . . . .

and grinning from ear to ear is Carl Stafford, West Sheetmetal. His new eight pound son, Carl Herbert, Jr., arrived on Saturday, July 9.

WANTED: Men to fill three room vacancies. Mrs. Sheild, 249 Newport News Ave., Hampton 3-3837.

WANTED: Alternate driver to drive one day a week from Copeland Pk. to E.A. on 7:30 shift. Frank, Penland, 2256.

WANTED: Ride or riding combination from Sussex-Hilton to W.A. on 7:30 shift. Boatright, 4488.

FOR SALE: Baby carriage, bathinette, play pen, and teed-abade. Leftwich, N.W. 2-3445.

WANTED: Ride to New York July 29. Steinberg, 4586.

FOR SALE: Girl's Elgin bike, adult size - \$12. Mayo, Impact Basin.

WANTED: Girl to share apartment. Lorraine Putnam, 4525.

## BRAINBUSTER NEWS

By Jesse Shepherd

In spite of high winds, Jack Zanks, F.I.D., and Beverly Williamson, of Newport News, came through with high points to win trips to Detroit. Zanks won his trip by taking one first place and a second in Free Flight while Williamson won his trip by taking one first and a third in control-line flying.

These trips to the Plymouth International Contest in Detroit were presented by the Peninsula Plymouth Dealer to the local flyers under 26 years of age with the highest number of points in free flight and control-line flying. The Plymouth dealer also presented trophies to the winners and furnished a pick-up truck to chase the free flight models across the field.

With modelers coming from North Carolina, Washington, Roanoke, Charlottesville, and other points, the contest attracted sixty-four entrees with others being scared off due to the high winds. Seventeen places were won by the local modelers from Newport News, Hampton, and Langley Air Force Base.

An estimated crowd of 2000 spectators saw the control-line models attain speeds up to 136 miles per hour and the free flight models attain durations up to three minutes, forty-four seconds.

## OPEN BUILDING

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month. If Laboratory employees make good use of this service it will be continued. On the other hand, if it is seen that the facilities are not being used, it will be assumed that employees do not care for it and it will be discontinued.

Picnickers are reminded that reservations still have to be made if the group plans to use the outdoor cooking facilities. Reservations may be made by contacting Bruce Amole, 4583.

LOST: Brown Schaeffer automatic pencil. Major Goodell, Liaison Office, 2311.

WANTED: Passengers to Tranton, N.J. via Washington July 29. Leaving Trenton for Boston August 1. Savage, 2326 or Hampton 3-4689.

FOR SALE: 1948 Plymouth 4 door sedan with radio and heater, seven months old. Semento, Gas Dynamics.



# SOFTBALL NEWS

As the Softball League nears the close of the regular season, West Machine still leads Division I with 8 wins and 2 losses and Structures heads Division II with 9 wins and only 1 loss.

One of the upsets of the season came last week when Construction Engineering came out on the winning end of a 4-2 battle with Electrical. The only scoring of the day came in the sixth with the winners chalking up 4 to Electrical's 2. Winning pitcher Dykes gave up 3 hits while Knemeyer allowed 8.

In a closely played game, 16-Foot was unable to overcome PRD's six runs scored in the first inning and went down 9-7. Winning pitchers Martin and Lessiter gave up 8 hits while Hunt was tabbed for 11.

Getting off to a good start with 7 runs in the first, 7 X 10 continued on their scoring streak to defeat West Model 15-7. Winning pitcher Andrews gave up 9 hits to Clickner's 14.

In another closely played game, Low Turbulence managed to come out on the winning end of a 7-5 battle with Spin Tunnel. The losers got off to a good start with 4 runs in the first but lost out when Low Turbulence came back with 4 in the fifth. Winning pitcher Newman gave up 6 hits while Burk was tabbed for a like number.

With the score tied 9-9 going into the seventh, Loads came through with a run to take a 10-9 win over Instrument Service. Winning pitcher Lindquist gave up 11 hits while losing pitcher Ingebritsen was tabbed for 13.

IRD moved up to third place in Division II by virtue of an 11-7 win over East Model. East Model was ahead until the fourth when IRD scored 3 to take a 7-6 lead and added four more throughout the remaining part of the game to win 11-7. Winning pitcher Bugg allowed 12 hits while losing pitcher Lewis gave up 10.

16-Foot lost another last week when West Model defeated them to the tune of 14-8. 16-Foot got off to a good start with 4 runs in the first but the winners came back with 3 in the second and 6 in the fourth to take command. Winning pitcher Poteet gave up 10 hits while losing pitcher Luchuk was tabbed for 15.

A number of forfeits took place last week with West Machine forfeiting to PARD, Physical Research getting a forfeit from the Apprentice team and 9-Inch adding a 7-0 win by virtue of a forfeit from 8-Foot.



A lot of fish stories are going around these days but here's proof that one didn't get away. The 77 pound bonita was hooked by Frank Smith on a recent Mechanical Reproduction fishing party. Shown with the fish are (from left) Al Pettigrew, Fred Rector, Francis Parker, Frank Smith, Elroy Johnson, and Clyde Diacont.

## 17 APPRENTICES ON HONOR ROLL

The Training Office announces that seventeen apprentices made an average of 93 or above in their related studies during the spring semester. Jesse L. Phillips, West Machine Shop, led the class with an average of 99 and Aubrey Cross, E.I.C.S., was second with 97.

The honor students are listed below in the order of their class standings: Jesse L. Phillips, Aubrey Cross, Billy Dancy, Instrument Construction; Roy Farmer, West Machine; Donald Johnson, Instrument Construction; Albert Philips, West Model; Garland Wilson, Instrument Service; William Haraway, West Sheetmetal; Charles D. Riley, E.I.C.S.; David Rucker, IRD; Robert L. Gungle, West Engineering; Luther Machen, IRD; William M. Phillips, Jr., E.I.C.S.; John Bristow, West Machine; Clarence Cunningham, West Sheetmetal; Carl Roberts, IRD; and Albert B. Stacey, Jr., West Sheetmetal.

The Spring schedule included 20 courses which met two hours each week from February 7 until June 10.

FOR SALE: Argus C-3, flash holder, and filters - \$43. Roberts, Structures Research.

WANTED: Passenger from Morrison Area to E.A. on 7:30 shift. Bailey, 2336.

## SERVICE EMBLEM

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emblem to Dr. Sharp, the Laboratory's Director and longest-service employee.

Employees who received 25 year emblems were: Carlton Kemper, Executive Engineer; Oscar Schey, Chief, Compressor and Turbine Research Division; William E. Dewey, Chief, Mechanical Services Division; Emery H. Gilbert, Chief Mechanical Inspector; and Dale H. McConaha, Altitude Laboratory Section.

Twenty year emblems were awarded to Eugene C. Braig, Jr., Administrative Officer; William K. Ritter, Acting Chief Fundamental Compressor and Turbine Branch; Vern G. Rollin, Acting Chief, Icing Branch; Bruce E. Ayer, Assistant to Chief Service Engineer; Dana W. Lee, Assistant to Budget Officer; Cloyd D. Waldron, Head, Engineering Unit for EP&M and WTEF; Abe Silverstein, Chief, Wind Tunnel and Flight Division; J. George Reuter, Research Facilities Engineer; Alfred W. Young, Chief, Altitude Wind Tunnel Branch; John H. Collins, Jr., Chief, Engine Performance and Materials Division; Fred Voss, Thermodynamics Branch; Arnold E. Biermann, Chief, Engine Operation and Controls Branch; Charles S. Moore, Assistant Chief Service Engineer; Hampton H. Foster, Engine Operations Section; Arthur M. Tessmann, Head, Chemical Services Section; Achille G. Galalles, Process Systems Engineering Section; and Harold C. Gerrish, Instrument Section.

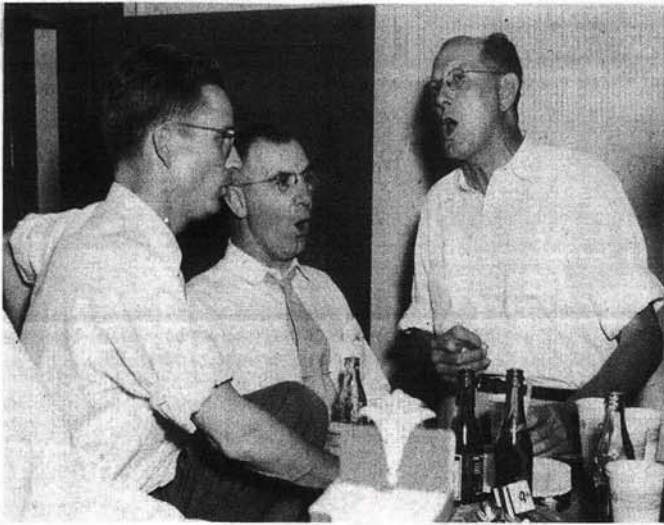
Recipients of the 15 year emblems were: J. Kenneth Barber, Head, Thermocouple Shop; Robert F. Selden, Technical Assistant to the Director; Benjamin Pinkel, Chief, Fuels and Thermodynamics Division; Herman H. Ellerbrock, Chief, Turbine Cooling Branch; Robert E. Tozier, Chief, Instrument Division; Edred T. Marsh, Head, Fuels Systems Engineering Section; Beverly G. Culick, Chief, Civil Engineering Division, and Isidore Warshawsky, Head, Instrumentation Section.

WANTED: Ride from Kecoughtan Court to W.A. on 7:30 shift. Hazel Hughes, 4525 or N.N. 2-0916.

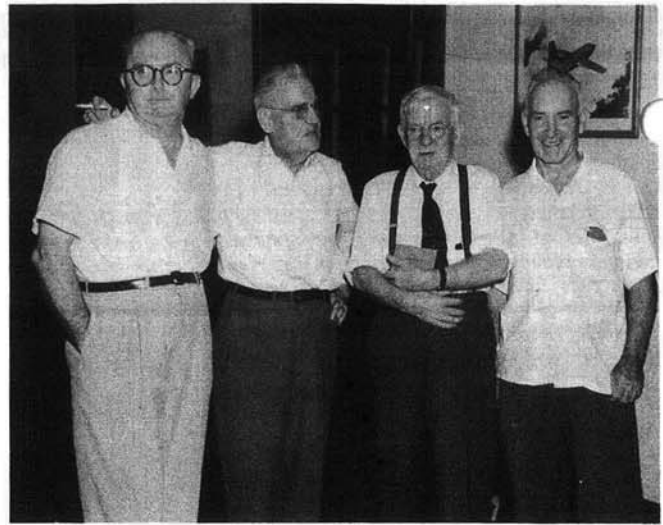
WANTED: Alternate driver from Southampton to E.A. on 7:30 shift. Sivells, Hampton 7242.

WANTED: Passenger to N.Y. August 2. Jones, 2245.

FOR SALE: 1941 Oldsmobile with '47 motor. Posey, Hampton 7514.



Giving out with a vocal rendition at the "Scotty" Wallace retirement party are songsters T. Melvin Butler, Personnel Officer; Francis J. "Stumpy" Howard, Head, Instrument Construction; and George M. Hearn, Assistant



Chief, Mechanical Service Division. On the right three old-timers who have retired from the Laboratory pose with "Scotty". They are (from left) Charles W. Wolf, Ernest J. Shave, Wallace, and Harry Lyons.

## TOURNEY FINALS SET FOR SATURDAY

The NACA Golf Association's best ball tournament has reached the finals with playoffs scheduled for tomorrow. All players were placed in flights of eight and then paired off into two-man teams.

The results of the first round were as follows:

First Flight - Walter Bressette and Gordon Griffith over Harry Norris and Bill Bates, 1 up 22 holes; Grady Mitcham and Chuck Bennett over Harold Crate and Frank Hart, 1 up 21 holes.

Second Flight - Johnny Campbell and George McGhee over Sam Huston and P. P. Smith, 1 up 20 holes; and Jack Paulson and Jim McNulty over Albert Chittenden and Bill Outten, 2 and 1.

Persons interested in entering the Scotch Foursome for men and women are asked to call Bill Bates, Free Flight Tunnel, Gordon Griffith, Construction Engineering, or Walter Bressette, PARD. The match is scheduled for Saturday, August 6.

NOTICE: Wives of Laboratory employees who are interested in teaching in the Elizabeth City County Schools are asked to contact C. A. Lindsay, Hampton 6336.

FOR RENT: 4 room furnished apartment. 203 N. First St., Buckroe.

WANTED: Wife of Laboratory employee with teaching experience to assist in kinder garten in Cavalier Ct. Thelma Kline, Hampton 7221.

## MUSIC CLUB PLANS X-RAY SURVEY SOCIAL FUNCTION

The Langley Music Club will hold a social hour and get-acquainted period for old and new members in conjunction with its regular meeting Wednesday, July 27 in the lounge of the Activities Building. The social get-together will start at 7 p.m. and during the evening refreshments will be served and the following program, devoted to the three B's and featuring long-playing records, will be presented:

Bach's "Sacred Songs" (two numbers), Brahms' "Violin Concerto", Beethoven's "Eighth Symphony", and Beethoven's "Moonlight Sonata" (last movement).

You are invited to join the group for what is hoped will be a delightful evening of sociability and good music.

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with the letters NACA and numerals denoting the years of service. The 20 year pin is set with a ruby, the 25 year pin, an emerald, and the 30 year, a diamond.

LOST: Copy of "Fluid Mechanics" by Vennard. Milwitzky, 4593.

FOR SALE: 23-foot battery park sloop - \$400. Teitelbaum, PARD, or Hampton 3-2255.

FOR RENT: Room with double bed and also single room for gentlemen. Mrs. Coleman, Hampton-5613, or 306 Lee St.

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past few years the survey has received an excellent response and it is hoped that from 80 to 90 percent of Laboratory employees will take advantage of this "screening" examination.

Any suspicious findings will be reported and 14 and 17 inch film will be taken on these persons with the reading being sent to the individuals physician.

It is pointed out that early case-finding may save months or years of treatment and expense, and may prevent communicating the disease to children, most of whom contract the disease from adult contacts.

## Coming Events

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

- July 22 - Stag party for Axel Mattson
- July 23 - 19-Foot Party
- July 26 - Ping Pong Club Bridge Club
- July 27 - Music Club Apprentice Club

FOR SALE: 28-foot modern house trailer - all metal. Norman, Payroll.

WANTED: Ride or to join car pool from Wythe to W.A. on 7:30 shift. Rice, 4525.

FOR SALE: Welch baby carriage - \$15. Williams, IRD.