

Air Scoop



SPRING DANCE SET FOR TONIGHT

This weekend promises to be a full one for Laboratorites with the Little Theatre production and the Spring Dance.



With payday Thursday it looks like a "good deal" to take in the dance on Friday night and then Saturday to proceed to the play. So men give your date or your wife an opportunity to wear that spring outfit she's been dreaming about all winter.

The music will be furnished by Harry Semento and his orchestra. The dance will be informal, cost will be \$1.50 stag or drag, place will be the Activities Building and the time is from 9 'til 1.

LITTLE THEATRE PRESENTS PLAY

Tonight at 8:15 in the Hampton High School auditorium the curtain will rise on the first of two performances of the Hampton Little Theatre's final presentation of their thirteenth season, "State of the Union."

The plot of the comedy centers around the efforts of Jim Conover, a politician, to get Grant Matthews, a successful industrialist, nominated to head the Republican party ticket in 1948. He is assisted by Kay Thorndyke, the owner-publisher of a chain of newspapers, and Spike MacManus, a Washington political reporter. It is decided that Grant, accompanied by his wife, Mary, shall make a speaking tour of his plants in order to sound out public opinion before announcing his candidacy for the nomination.

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NEW SHIFTS START SUNDAY

Beginning Sunday and until further notice, the regular hours of duty of Laboratory employees will be 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. These new hours will supersede the regular 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. working hours.

Other changes in shifts are as follows: the 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. shift is changed to 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., the 3:30 p.m. to 12 midnight shift remains unchanged, and the 12 midnight to 8:30 a.m. shift will work from 11:30 p.m. to 8 a.m.

The East and West Cafeterias will open for breakfast at 6:30 a.m. and close at 7:30 a.m. There will be no changes in assigned lunch periods.

In accordance with the change in shifts, the NACA shuttle bus will leave the Administrative Building for West Area beginning at 6:30 a.m. and every 15 minutes thereafter until 4:15 p.m. Busses will leave the 16-Foot Tunnel for East Area beginning at 6:42 a.m. and every 15 minutes thereafter until 4:27 p.m.

The change of working hours applies to employees here at the Laboratory and those stationed at Wallops Island, Virginia.

GOLF ASSOCIATION OPENS MEMBERSHIP

Officials of the Hampton Golf Association announced this week that membership to the club is now open to both men and women golfers. The main objective of the club is to promote the playing of golf through association tournaments and through matches with outside clubs. Plans are also underway to sponsor a few dances and a special club room is being renovated at the Hampton Country Club.

The dues are five dollars for the first year and four dollars for each year thereafter. Application blanks may be obtained from Frank Hart, Instrument Services, or Jim Bertoci, 16-Foot Tunnel.



King part tonight and tomorrow night in the Little Theatre's production of the "State of the Union" are front row (from left): Eileen Hilsdon, as Jenny; Lenore Hulcher as Mrs. Draper; Bernice Gay, Charge of Properties; and Mary Wagner as Mrs. Alexander. Back row (from left): Bristow Hardin as Sam Parrish, Miles Farster as Swenson, Bobby Rogers as Stage Manager, Charles Rodriguez as William Hardy, and James Bailey as Judge Alexander.

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LIFE AT LABORATORY

The Aircraft Loads Division.

seems to have set an all time record for the Laboratory with nine new arrivals being delivered to division members since January 1. The latest arrival was a daughter, Laurel Suzanne, born Friday, April 23, to the Phil Edge household. So far the members of the stronger sex are leading by a nose with five boys and four girls. The other proud parents, in addition to Edge, are Ben Tinglehoff, Joe Brooks, Bill Aiken, Sid Batterson, Bill Huston, Jean Snyder, Dexter Potter, and Don Howard.

Returning to work.

after a two-week honeymoon are Bonnie Justice now Bonnie Dettwyler of Free Flight Computers and Rudy Dettwyler, Pilotless Aircraft Research. Bonnie was welcomed back to the computing section with a bouquet of spring onions, lettuce, weeping willow and other beautiful spring flowers.

Another proud papa.

is Harold Soule, Gas Dynamics. He became the father of a son, William Charles, on Sunday, April 25.

Dan Cupid scored.

another victory last week when Boyer Hall, West Machine Shop, went and got himself engaged to Viola Hennant of Hilton Village. No definite date has been announced for the big event.

Gradually recuperating.

from the ordeal of becoming a new father is Walter Leigh, Flight Research. He became the father of a daughter on Sunday, April 25.

Wedding bells will ring.

Saturday when Howard Holland, Full Scale Analysis, takes a nose-dive into the sea of matrimony. He will marry Kitty Walker of Richmond.

Another young Laboratory.

maiden who is contemplating matrimony is Joy Smith, Stenographic Section. She became engaged last week to Phillip Rogers of Newport News and the wedding is scheduled to take place sometime in the Fall.

Word has just reached the Laboratory.

that one of the old timers, George Bulifant, formerly of Langley but now of Ames, has finally decided to try his luck at matrimony. It seems that the Hampton girls tried their tactics on Bulifant from 1925 to 1941 but failed to make much head way. He then transferred to Ames where the California women immediately took over and proved to be far better schemers. The wedding will take place sometime in June.

Playing favorites in.

the eyes of the stork this week was the West Model Shop with two new arrivals delivered on Sunday, April 25. Not only were the two bundles from Heaven delivered on the same day but at the same hospital and both are girls. The proud fathers are Charles Gilman and James Dempsey.

A few copies of.

"Frontiers of Flight" by George W. Gray are still available to Laboratory employees at the reduced rate of \$3.50 a copy. Persons wishing to purchase a copy may do so at the East Cafeteria.

FOR SALE: Motorola car radio. Billy Johnson, Mech. Reprod. or H. 7856.

FOR SALE: 1935 Chevrolet coach. Emswiler, 4-Foot Superionic.

WANTED: Alternate drivers from Southampton to E.A. on 8 shift. Weinflash, 2394.

WANTED: Ride from Sussex-Hilton to E.A. on 7:30 shift. Bonnie Dettwyler, 2214.

LITTLE THEATRE

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At the conclusion of the tour, on which Grant arouses considerable controversy, a party is held at the Matthews apartment to discuss the outcome and plan possible convention strategy. To this meeting come Sam Parrish, a successful business man; Judge Jefferson Davis Alexander and his wife, Lulubelle, from the deep south; Mrs. Draper, an expert on the foreign vote; labor leaders Hardy, Vincent, Solly and Mack; and Senator Lauterback, a supporter of the farm bloc. The things which happen when this odd assortment of persons are gathered together make for a hilarious and entertaining evening and show clearly why the Lindsay-Crouse play was awarded the Pulitzer prize.

The cast includes Col. Parry W. Lewis as Jim Conover; Eugene C. Marlin as Spike MacManus, Wilhelmine C. Gillis as Kay Thorndyke, Charles Cole as Grant Matthews, Sallie Whitten as Mary Matthews, Bristow Hardin, Jr., as Sam Parrish, James W. Bailey as Judge Alexander, Mary H. Wagner as Mrs. Alexander, Lenore D. Hulcher as Mrs. Draper, Charles Rodriguez as William Hardy, Capt. Jack M. Little as Senator Lauterback, Miles E. Farster as Swenson, John R. Dawson as Stevens, Robert Allen as a waiter, Crickett Burr as a bellboy, Vivian Catlett as Norah, Eileen Hilsdon as Jenny, Richard Schusterman as Mr. Vincent, Paul Sawyer as Mr. Solly and Andrew C. Glass as Mr. Mack.

"State of the Union" is directed by Mrs. John B. Parkinson, assisted by H. Granville Derby, and Mrs. George B. Colonna is producer.



A summer night
 Moon just right
 Made more bright
 By us, for you, in June.

FOR SALE: Folding camera Kodak Jr. F6.3 lens. \$25. Salmi, 19'.

WANTED: Ride from East Hampton to E.A. on 7:30 shift. Windler, 2336.

WANTED: Ride from Carrollton, Va. to W.A. on 7:30 shift. Telbot, 4567.

BOWLING NEWS

TENPIN LEAGUE

The second round of the Tenpin League ended last week with Headpins coming out on top with 26 wins and 10 losses. The Headpins will now bowl a six game series with Missilleaneous, the winner of the first round, to determine the first and second place positions for the season. The high scores for the season were as follows:

HIGH INDIVIDUAL AVERAGE: Watson, Missilot, 173.3; Ferne Driver, Fiscal Wrecks, 128.8.

HIGH INDIVIDUAL GAME: Needham, Low Turbulence, 241; Ferne Driver, 176.

HIGH INDIVIDUAL SET: Needham, 606; Ferne Driver, 466.

HIGH TEAM GAME AND SET: Low Turbulence with 950 and 2532.

FINAL STANDINGS - ROUND II

Team	W	L	Avg.
Headpins	26	10	.722
East Model	21	12	.636
Pinbusters	20	16	.555
Splinters	19	17	.528
Structures	19	17	.528
Paris	18	18	.500
Aces	18	18	.500
Alleycats	18	18	.500
Missilot	18	18	.500
Missilleaneous	16	17	.485
Low Turbulence	16	20	.444
Pinpoints	14	22	.389
Fiscal Wrecks	8	28	.222

DUCKPIN PLAYOFFS

16-Foot still leads in the Duckpin Playoffs with 11 wins and 4 losses. G.R.I. is in second place with 9 wins and 6 losses. High individual games were rolled last week by Henry Black and Everett Cain, G.R.I., with 123, and Barbara Durling, PRD, with 103. High set went to Bob Gorman, PRD, with 326, and B. Revere, Mechanical Maintenance, with 271. G.R.I. took both high team game and set with 498 and 1454.

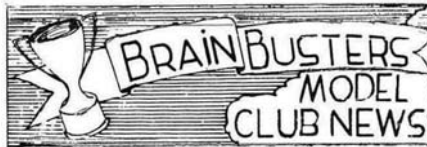
STANDINGS

Team	W	L	Avg.
16-Foot	11	4	.733
G.R.I.	9	6	.600
Tank	8	7	.533
FGDA	8	7	.533
PRD	7	8	.467
Mech. Maint.	7	8	.467
Sound Lab	5	10	.333
19-Foot	5	10	.333

FOR SALE: Garro portable automatic record player. Nancy Rowe, 4454.

WANTED: 2 wheel trailer with truck body. Willing to pay between \$25 and \$40. Jules Miller, Research Staff Office, or Hampton 8993.

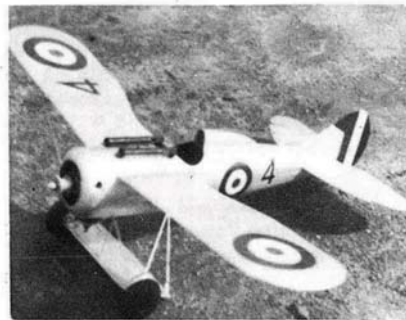
WANTED: Ride from Newport News to E.A. on 7:30 shift. Miss Cole, 2281.



By Joe Blanco

This week the Brainbusters present a model built by a member, Bill Poythress of West Engineering, who has made quite a name for himself as a scale model builder. The model is a scale model of a 1919 Nieuport Fighter to be flown as a control line job.

Although the Brainbusters are primarily a free flight club, a few members have ventured into the Yo-Yo field. This model has yet to be flown but it is being presented, not for its flying potentialities, but for its fine construction and details.



Shown above is the 1919 Nieuport Fighter built by Bill Poythress.

The ship is comparatively small using a wing with a 12-inch span. An inverted Arden .099 engine is used.

The details of the model conform to the original airplane as closely as possible including machine guns mounted before the cockpit. Movable controls are another feature which merit a great deal of credit. The paint job is the final touch that sets off the model and makes it a replica of the original version built back in 1919.

Last Tuesday night John Worth and Bill Poythress put on a demonstration for a group of cub scouts at the Armstrong School. The demonstration included the flying of an Ornithopter, a speed rubber model, a CO2 race car and a CO2 model engine. A flying wing was also glided as part of the demonstration.

FOR SALE: Arvin radio and RCA phonograph. \$25. Hampton 32686.

WANTED: Part-time secretary to do general office work such as typing, letter writing, bookkeeping, etc. Persons interested may send applications to Bruce Amole, c/o NACA Morale Activities Association, Langley Field, Va.

OH, FOR THE LIFE OF A SAILOR!!!!

"Now landmen all, whoever you may be,
If you want to rise to the top of the tree,
If your soul isn't fettered to an office stool,
Be careful to be guided by this golden rule--
Stick close to your desks and never go to sea,
And you may be Rulers of the Queen's Navee."

From all reports, boat fiend Tom Hulcher, PARD, has purchased himself another boat, a 65-foot Air-sea rescue job, but as the old saying goes "Seeing is believing." Although the boat has not put in an appearance in this vicinity, several employees claim that they can vouch for the fact that such thing does exist. It seems that when Tom purchased the boat it was in Jacksonville, Florida so Tom, Bob Little, and Harry Barritt rushed down to give it a general check over and cruise leisurely back to Hampton.

A few days later Paul Taylor, Melvin Butler, and Harry Shoaf took a train to Florida with the intentions of enjoying the cruise back with Hulcher and the new boat. Well, the seamen managed to get one motor running and just as things were looking rather promising the motor blew up and cracked the block. They thumbed a tow with a tug-boat and after they were 6-hours out of Jacksonville, the tug-boat sprung a leak and so back to Jacksonville.

After fixing the leak they started on their way again - this time the tug-boat took a wrong turn and they ended up on a dead end river. Finally they started on their way again only to run into a fog and have the tug-boat run aground. The unhappy crew finally landed at Charleston, S. C. where Little and Butler mutinied and caught a bus back to Hampton. The remaining part of the crew stuck it out to South Port, N. C. and from there they abandoned ship and caught the next ride back to Hampton. The new boat is still at South Port awaiting another tow from the next tug-boat that comes along.

Incidentally, the boat has been christened "Baby Dumpling" but how the name originated is a story within itself.

WANTED: Ride from Copeland Park to W.A. on 7:30 shift. Broughton, 4515.

SOFTBALL LEAGUE OPENED MONDAY

The Men's Softball League opened its season of play last Monday with 8-Foot taking a 12-8 win over 16-Foot and 19-Foot trouncing 9-Inch to the tune of 16-3.

Trailing 3-1 at the end of the third inning, 19-Foot came from behind to chalk up 8 runs in the fourth and 7 more in the seventh to down 9-Inch 16-3. Pat Cancro, the winning pitcher, gave up 6 hits, walked 1, and struck out 0 to losing pitcher Burley Baals' 20 hits, 1 strike out, and no walks.

8-Foot won their first game of the season by downing 16-Foot 12-8. Winning pitcher Smith gave up 10 hits, walked 2, and struck out 1 while losing pitcher Hunt gave up 17 hits, struck out 2, and walked 0. Star batters for the winners were Bob Pendley with a double and 2 singles, May with a triple and 2 singles, and Vincke with 3 singles. Ted Himka was big gun for the losers, getting a single and a double.

CAMERA CLUB MEETS WED.

The Hampton Camera Club's salon contest held recently at the Syms-Eaton Community Center was won by John Hoffnagle of West Engineering. Second place went to Paul Hunter, Flight Research, and third place was won by Sgt. Brooks of Langley Field.

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 5 at 7 p.m. at the Syms-Eaton Community Center. Featured will be a lecture by Andy Sea followed by a work night. All members are urged to attend.

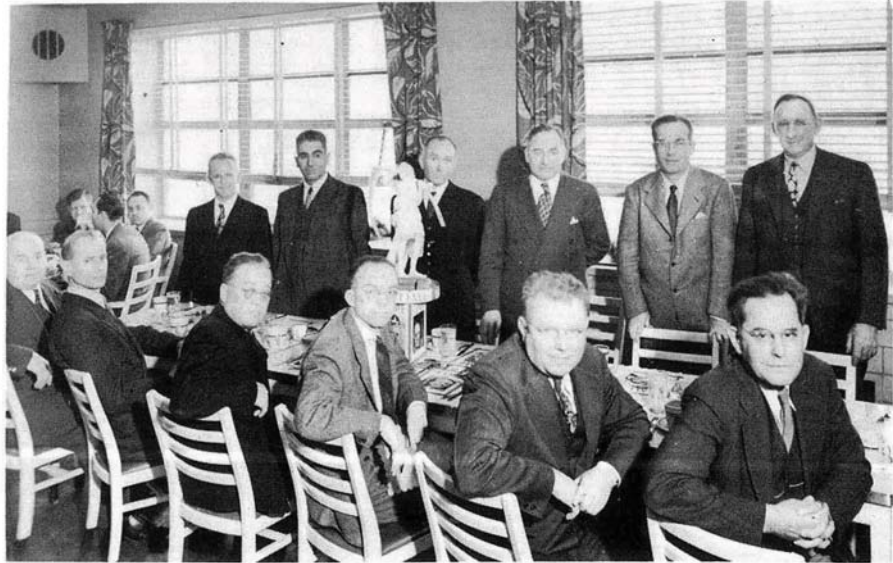
CIVIL SERVICE NOTICE

Officials of the Board of the U. S. Civil Service Examiners announced this week that applications will not be accepted for the position Apprentice, First Year, \$1788, after the close of business on Wednesday, May 5. All applications should be sent to the Executive Secretary, Board of U.S. Civil Service Examiners, NACA, Langley Field, Va.

WANTED: Girl or couple to share four room house in Copeland Park. Muriel Eadie, Purchase.

FOR SALE: "Plane Spherical Trigonometry" by Shibli, "Advanced Calculus" by Sokolnikof, "Elementary Differential Equations" by Kell, "Mathematical Methods in Engineering" by Karman. Training Office, telephone 2256.

CLEVELAND OLD TIMERS



Members of the Old Timers Club at the Cleveland Laboratory are back row (from left) Harold Gerrish, Achilles Gellales, Clarence L. Decker, Carlton Kemper, Hampton Foster, and William Dewey. Front row (from left) Emery Gilbert, Charles S. Moore, Dale McConnaha, Addison M. Rothrock, Oscar Schey, and Arthur Tessman.

Several weeks ago thirteen members of the "Old Timers" Club at the Cleveland Laboratory gathered for their annual luncheon at the Laboratory's cafeteria. The 13 members, most of whom started their career at the Langley Laboratory, are employees who have devoted 20 years or more service to the NACA.

William Gibbons, Employee Relations Officer, introduced each man and his choice of words should be of interest to the old timers here who remember the Cleveland old timers when they were just another bunch of green employees at the Langley Lab. He presented Harold Gerrish as the Ideal Democrat and a valuable person on fuel mixtures, and Bill Dewey, Division Chief of Mechanical Services, as the supervisor with the largest number of employees under his direction.

Stan Moore was introduced as a new member of the club and a follower of the principle of exactness in all endeavors; Carl Kemper, Executive Engineer, was cited for his adherence to the philosophy, "Each individual research engineer contains within himself a resume of the entire human condition, with all its pos-

WANTED: Passengers from Wythe to W.A. on 7 shift. Staples, 4489.

FOR SALE: Four room house in Speegle Village. Archie Collins, Transportation and Repair.

WANTED: Ride from 30th and Wickham Ave. to W.A. on 7:30 shift. Mrs. Kendrick, 4401.

sibilities of wisdom and folly in the field of research."

When Oscar Schey, Compressor and Turbine Division Chief, took his bow his opinion that "education is something far more important and more difficult than indoctrination", was voiced.

Other members were described as follows: Addison M. Rothrock, Assistant Director of Aeronautical Research, who often expresses the opinion, "The emphasis of liberal arts education deals too heavily with the linguistic side, forgetting the scientific;" Clarence L. Decker, who has manifested to all who know him a real spirit of friendliness; Achilles Gellales, who devotes his time as a process system analyst; Hampton Foster, the Laboratory's most famous Diesel engine expert, who is renowned for his market analyses; Arthur M. Tessman, who is a chemist by profession, a musician by choice, and a director of fuels and chemical supplies by necessity; Emery Gilbert, who has been on the sick list for some time due to his untiring efforts in connection with his work at the lab; and Dale McConnaha, who is the night chief here and a veteran of both world wars.

FOR SALE: 1933 Pontiac. \$285. Burlock, IRD, or N.N. - 24742.

FOR SALE: Metal Clarinet - ideal for beginner. N. N. 5-1146.

WANTED: Ride from Huntington Courts to W.A. on 7 shift. Lindwood Moore, W. Machine.