

# AIR SCOOP

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## 1000 EAST AREA EMPLOYEES X-RAYED

Three technicians representing the Bureau of Industrial Hygiene of the State Department of Health began the 1947 X-ray survey at the Laboratory last Tuesday morning and in 7 hours of actual operation had served nearly 1,000 employees in the E. Area.

The three health department representatives include Carleton Ward, Emmett Bailey and James Peele who operate the department's 70mm portable X-ray equipment throughout the State. The group expected to have completed the East Area by Thursday and be in operation in the Electrical Building in the West Area today and through next week if necessary.

East Area employees who were unable to visit the clinic room in the Utility Building at the time their section was called may be X-rayed in the Electrical Building by appointment. This appointment may be made by telephoning 4420.

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## URGE EMPLOYEES TO BUY BONDS

Laboratory employees are asked to review their budgets and to invest any surplus amount in United States Saving Bonds. In a letter to Laboratory officials, Secretary of the Treasury John W. Snyder stated that "Widespread ownership of the national debt is essential to a sound debt structure" as well as beneficial to the purchasers of bonds. He stated further that "During the months of June and July the United States Savings Bonds Division will conduct an aggressive sales campaign...I hope you will see that your Bond organization is revitalized for this campaign."

During the month of April the Langley Laboratory had an average participation of 5.9% by 42.6% of the employees. In a recent letter to Laboratory officials, John F. Victory stated that "It is hoped that during the months of June and July, when the special sales campaign is in progress, you will make a special effort to raise your average participation to 10%

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## GOUGH, JOHNSTON WIN GOLF TOURNEY

Shooting five strokes under par on the front nine and eight over on the back nine for a total of 75, Melvin Gough, Chief of the Flight Research Division, fired a second round 77 to clinch low gross honors in the NACA Annual Golf Tournament last weekend at the Hampton Country Club. His two rounds gave him a total of 152 for the 36-holes.

J. Ford Johnston, also of Flight Research, turned in the two best games of his golfing career to win the first low net trophy with 95-104--199-72--127.

Sig Sjoberg, another Flight Research golfer, followed Mel Gough with 81-88--169 for runner up position in gross score. Wiley Jenkins, East Sheetmetal Shop, took third with 84-90--174.

Bill Martz, Pilotless Aircraft Research, and Gene Guryansky, Full Scale Tunnel, tied for runner up net honors with 136. Guryansky took second and Martz third on the flip of a coin.

Gross winner Mel Gough started off Saturday with five birdies and four pars on the front nine for a total of 30 strokes but he ran into a little difficulty on the back 9 getting one birdie and two pars for a 45. In the second round on Saturday he parred twelve holes and got one birdie for a total of 77.

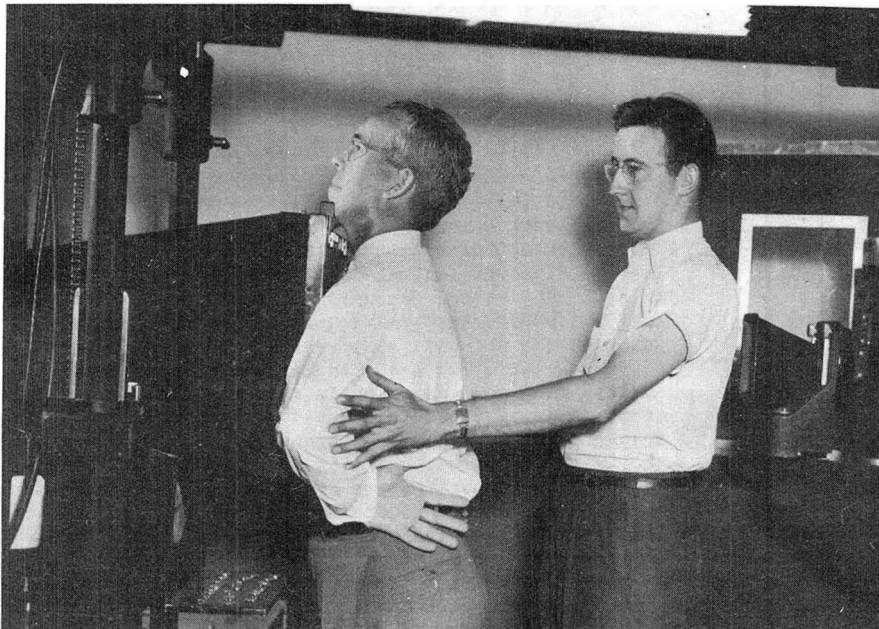
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## ANNOUNCE EXAM FOR STOREKEEPER

The NACA Board of U. S. Civil Service Examiners has announced the opening of an examination for the position of Storekeeper, grades CAF-1 through CAF-6, with salaries ranging from \$1756 to \$3021 per annum.

Persons qualifying in this examination may be given a probational appointment leading to a permanent Civil Service status. An employee serving in a position at a salary above the basic entrance salary for the position in which he is appointed or classified from this exam, may continue at his current salary rate if it is not beyond the maximum salary for the position in which he is

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"Take a deep breath and hold it," Carleton Ward of the State Health Department tells Dr. H. J. E. Reid as the Engineer-in-Charge becomes the first Laboratory staff member to be X-rayed in the 1947 survey.

Photo by Bill Taub

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## **CLIPPING at the LABORATORY**

The birth rate seems. . . . .

to be on the up-grade once again and Dan Cupid seems to be back in business after a short vacation. Passing out cigars last week down 19-Foot Tunnel way was Stan Spooner. He became the father of a daughter on Monday, June 2.

Wedding bells rang. . . . .

on Monday, June 2 for Coreta Michie, Photo Lab, when she took her final vows with Carlton Walden Seamen of Brooklyn, New York.

Passing out cigars. . . . .

last week was Harry Nutter of East Model Shop. He recently became the proud father of a daughter.

Sporting a new sparkler. . . . .

is Margaret Wilson of Low Turbulence. She is engaged to Bill McCloud of Newport News. No definite wedding plans have been announced as yet.

Another new papa. . . . .

is Joe Halissy of 16-Foot Tunnel. He became the father of a six pound, three ounce son, James Benjamin, on Saturday, June 7.

8-Foot High Speed. . . . .

Tunnel lost two more of its eligibles yesterday when Ann Freeman and Charles Wilson tied the final knot at the Grace Methodist Church. This brings 8-Foot's total of newly weds to four within the past month.

Word has just reached. . . . .

the Laboratory that Phoebe Mrozowski, formerly of the Warehouse Stock Section, became the mother of a seven pound, seven ounce son, Daniel Cornwell, on Sunday, June 1.

Division members are reminded. . . . .

that the Entertainment Committee of the Stability Research Division officially opens its social season Sunday with a picnic at Virginia Beach. All division members are invited to bring their families and friends for an afternoon of fun and entertainment. Activities will start on the beach about one hundred yards north of the Dunes at 12 noon.

Last minute flash. . . . .

"Another bachelor succumbs." Running true to form, Dan Cupid hit the bull's eye once again to score another victory and leave another vacancy in the Bachelor's Club. The victim this time is Howard Edwards of IRD and he is engaged to Bobbie Livesay of Amhurst, Virginia. Wedding bells will ring August 26. Howard makes the fifth bachelor to drop out of the club since its organization about six weeks ago. Moving up to fill his vacancy is Billy Bates, Free Flight Tunnel. Bates will be 27 years old the twenty-eighth of this month.

## **LABORATORY COMMENDED ON INSPECTION SUCCESS**

Several letters of appreciation for the manner in which the 16th General Inspection was conducted at the Laboratory last month have been received here.

Dr. George W. Lewis, director of aeronautical research, in a letter to Dr. H. J. E. Reid, Engineer-in-Charge, wrote:

"Again the entire staff of the Langley Laboratory is to be commended for making the Sixteenth General Inspection of the Laboratory a memorable one.

"It is not possible for me to thank every member of the staff for his or her participation in this most important event. I am sure that few members of the entire staff at the Laboratory have a full appreciation of the effects on the members of the Committee, the Army, the Navy, the aircraft industry, and educational institutions, of presenting in such a splendid way, the Committee's research facilities and the current research on which we are engaged.

"Dr. Orville Wright on his return from Langley made a point of calling on me to express his pleasure and appreciation; and of the many people who have attended the Inspection, all are enthusiastic in their praise of the efficient and clear presentation of our present research problems.

"Please let me assure you that all the hard work and effort you and your staff have put into the Sixteenth General Inspection are greatly appreciated, and you have my sincere thanks."

C. E. Davies, secretary of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, said "the inspection trip...was a splendid success. I enjoyed every moment of it. The planning and carrying out of this was a credit to you and your entire staff."

Capt. C. E. Glese, director of flight test at Patuxent River, Md., commented that he and five other pilots who made the inspection tour "found the visit to be intensely interesting and very instructive. The organization of the entire program was very impressive."

J. B. Woodward, Jr., president and general manager of the Newport News Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Company, expressed the shipyard's appreciation for the privilege of being represented at the inspection, as did James E. May of the University of Virginia and L. Z. Seitzer of the Virginia Polytechnic Institute.

## **REID THANKS STAFF**

Again I want to express my appreciation to the entire staff for another job well done in the handling of the Sixteenth General Inspection of the Laboratories. The series of inspections this year were larger than ever held before, entailed more work and preparation and, in many cases, depended even more than ever on the cooperation of many individuals and groups. Had there not been the splendid cooperation, the inspection would not have been a success. In many cases the cooperation and its need were apparent to everyone; however, the great majority of the staff did not appear directly as speakers, group leaders, attaches, or in any other capacity in direct contact with our visitors. The success of the inspection was nevertheless in very great measure dependent on those who did not come in direct contact with the visitors. It is for this reason that I refrain from mentioning the many outstanding examples of splendid cooperation and teamwork. That the inspection was a real success has been attested by the many letters of commendation received. Again my hearty thanks to the entire staff.

*H. J. E. Reid*

# 19-FOOT ONLY UNDEFEATED TEAM

"Air Scoop" erroneously stated last week that Full Scale remained one of the two undefeated teams in the league; however, it seems that 8-3/4 Tunnel won their game with Full Scale last week for the upset of the season. (Ed Note: Our most humble apologies to the 8-3/4 team.)

Full Scale took another beating this week to chomp up two defeats and put 19-Foot Tunnel in undisputed first place with no losses. Putting on a three run rally in the third inning, 7 X 10 came through with a 6-3 win over Full Scale. Winning pitcher Tommy Andrews gave up five hits, struck out three, and walked two while losing pitcher Roy Lange gave up five hits, struck out five and walked four. Bob Thompson statted for the winners, getting a home run.

16-Foot Tunnel came through with a 15-9 win over the Model Shop. Winning pitcher Kurt Strass gave up ten hits, struck out nine, and walked five while losing pitcher Roberts gave up sixteen hits, struck out three and walked three.

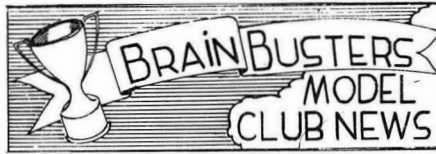
Korycinski and Vernon Ward came through with honors for the winners as did Harry Nutter for the losers.

Dynamic Tunnels took a 6-2 win over Structure Research to move into second place with five wins and one loss. Winning pitcher "Red" Neihouse gave up eight hits, struck out two, and walked one while losing pitcher Andy Anderson gave up three hits, struck out eleven, and walked four. Chuck Bennett was star batter for the winners getting two singles. Ed Kruszewski came through for the losers with a triple and two singles.

With bases loaded, Dave Newby knocked a homerun to add four runs to IRD's 15-2 win over 7 X 10. Winning pitcher Raoul Bugg gave up three hits, struck out ten, and walked one while losing pitcher Tommy Andrews gave up fifteen hits, struck out none, and walked three.

Chalking up the highest score of the season, Dale Burrows pitched his Low Turbulence teammates to a 20-2 win over Engineering Services Division. Hurling a one-hitter, Burrows struck out five and walked one while losing pitcher Jim Dawson gave up seventeen hits, struck out and walked one. Twelve of the winner's runs came in the first inning.

19-Foot Pressure Tunnel marked up a 7-3 win over Physical Research to remain the league's leading team with no defeats to their credit.



By John Worth

Continuing with last year's pace, club members placed in the third straight out-of-town meet this season at the meet in High Point, North Carolina last Sunday.

Reid Hull took third place in Class "A" and Paul Marchal followed with fifth in the same event. Marchal also won third and fourth place in the Beauty event. Joe Boyle came through with the number eight spot in Class "B".

Initial arrangements for the Annual Meet are now beyond the planning stage as definite progress has been made. Information is currently being compiled for the "Hydro Flying Tips" booklet which is to be distributed nationally in conjunction with the meet. All contributions will be gratefully accepted and should be given to club officials so that a complete booklet may be issued.

## CAMERA CLUB HOLDS CONTEST

The Hampton Camera Club will hold a Photographic Print Contest on June 18 at 7:30 at the Symes-Eaton Community Center. The contest is open to both members and non-members.

The entrance fee for each print will be ten cents and prizes will be awarded for first, second, and third places. Contestants are advised to arrive early in order to get the prints ready for exhibition.

WANTED: Riders from Stuart Gardens to W. Area on 7:30 shift. Hugh Watson, Purchase.

WANTED: Ride to 7:30 shift from Back River Road to E. Area. Louise Cumming, 2236.

WANTED: Ride to E. Area from Morrison on 7:30 shift. Ann Poindexter, Army phone - 7156.

FOR SALE: Laundry coal heater. 38 Mitchell Rd., Cavalier Courts.

FOR SALE: Large English-type baby coach. Call Hampton 3-2906.

The outstanding play of the day was a double play from Davis to Bloxom to Deters. Pat Cancro served on the mound for the winners and gave up 8 hits, struck out one and walked one to losing pitcher's Storey's ten hits. Starring for the losers was Staffino with two triples.

## GOLF

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Dr. H. J. E. Reid, Engineer-in-Charge, and Dolph Henry, Chief of the Personnel Division, were on hand to present the trophies.

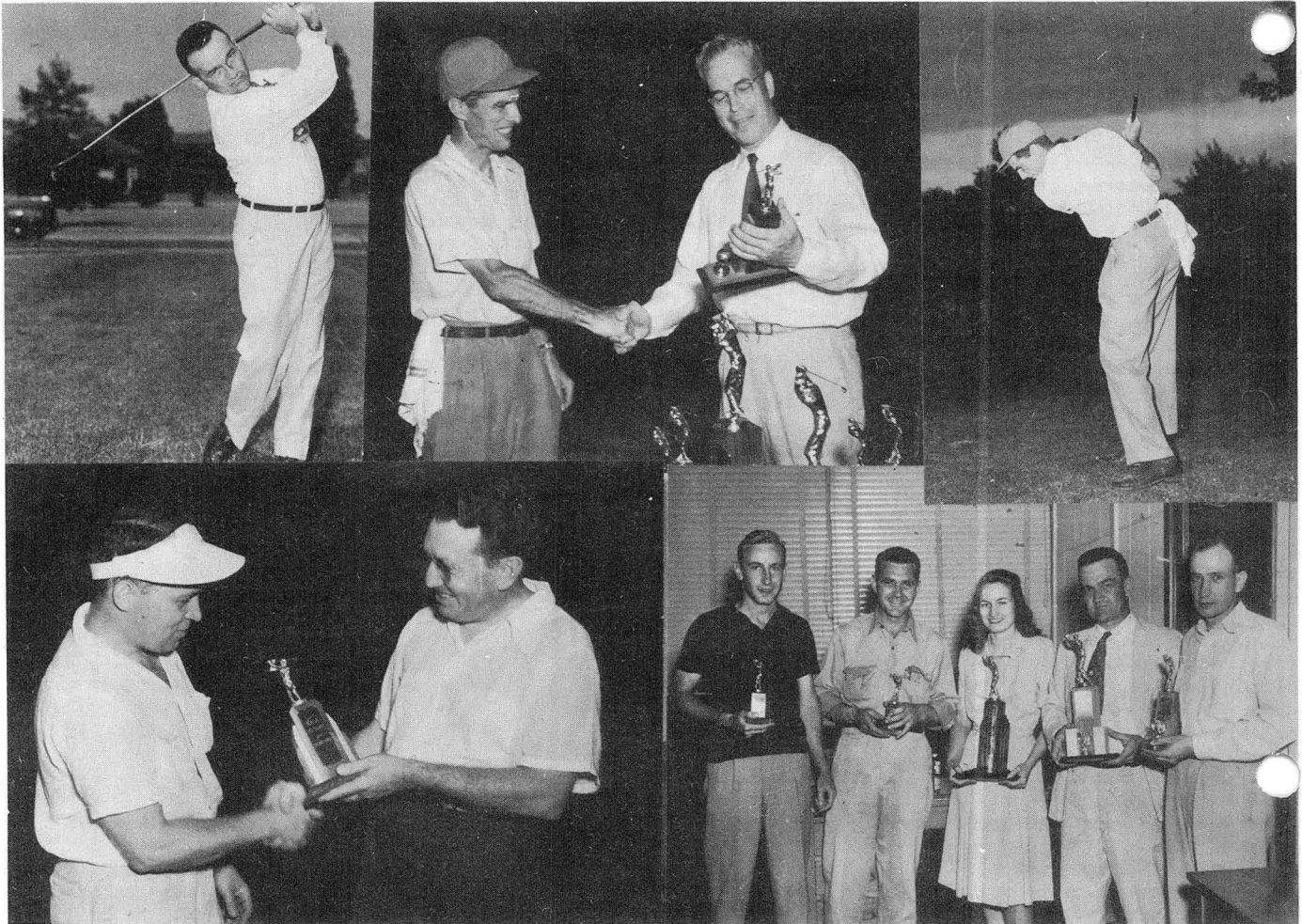
The scores are:

Mel Gough	75-77--152-12--140
Sig Sjoberg	81-88--169-20--149
Wiley Jenkins	84-90--174-32--142
Dick Everett	92-93--175-28--147
Tom Carpini	97-80--177-32--145
Dick Braig	89-89--178-32--146
Bob Helfrick	88-90--182-20--158
Frank Hart	95-84--179-42--137
John Hanks	91-89--180-28--152
Bill Martz	89-91--180-44--136
Hal I. Johnson	89-93--182-28--154
Buck Barber	87-95--182-36--146
Ted Himka	93-90--183-36--147
Chris Kraft	97-88--185-32--153
Gordon Griffith	93-97--190-42--148
G. Guryansky	101-91--192-56--136
Art Voageley	94-98--192-36--156
J. F. Johnston	95-104--199-72--127
Hal Crate	103-97--200-46--154
John Draper	103-98--201-62--139
Grady Mitcham	102-100--202-52--150
Bill Nelson	99-105--204-56--148
Billy Bates	104-102--206-36--170
Harry Clason	110-97--207-36--171
George Zender	106-104--210-58--152
G. E. Gardner	106-105--211-58--153
Len Bartone	114-100--214-52--162
Chuck Bennett	108-109--217-58--159
Johnny Campbell	111-109--220-60--160
Lee Dickinson	123-122--245-72--173
George Griffith	85 No Card
Jim Bertoci	81 No Card
John Wallace	91 No Card
Ed Kruszewski	106 No Card

## GIRLS' TENNIS

Alice Aronson, Physical Research, held onto her number one spot on the Girls' Tennis Ladder by virtue of a 6-3, 6-1 win over Jerry Couch, Loads. Dot Huston, Aircraft Loads, moved from the number nine position to fifth by defeating Shirley Huxter, 18-Foot Tunnel, 6-1, 6-2. Also moving up were Dorothy Comstock, Flight, to ninth place by defeating Gerry Hilton; and Lucy Taylor, Loads, to sixth place by defeating Shirley Huxter.

No	Players	Phone
1	Alice Aronson	4454
2	Eleanor Andrews	4403
3	Gerry Couch	4527
4	Julia Woodbridge	4527
5	Dot Huston	4527
6	Lucy Taylor	4593
7	Shirley Huxter	4590
8	Becky Boykin	2255
9	Dorothy Comstock	2229
10	Gerry Hilton	2245
11	Frances Butler	2236
12	Mae Meadows	4527
13	Nancy Wall	4590
14	Mary Maline	2255
15	Edna Cameron	4558
16	Betty Newbold	2236



In the upper left, Melvin Gough, Flight Research, drives a hard hit ball down the fairway. Mel took first low gross honors in the Annual NACA Golf tournament at the Hampton Country Club last weekend...J. Ford Johnston, Flight, is congratulated by Dr. H. J. E. Reid, Engineer-in-Charge, for taking first low net honors...Upper right shows Johnston in action. Lower left, Gene Guryansky, Full Scale Tunnel, is congratulated by Personnel Officer Dolph Henry for taking second low net. Guryansky

and Bill Martz tied for second and Guryansky won by a flip of a coin...Lower right, Bill Martz, third net, Wiley Jenkins, third gross, Mel Gough, first gross, and Sig Sjoberg, second gross, pose with the trophies they won. Ruth Angel, Editor of "Air Scoop" which sponsored the tournament, holds the perpetual low gross trophy also awarded to Gough. This trophy remains on display in the "Air Scoop" Office.

Photos by Bill Taub

## EXAM

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appointed. No written test will be given, but applicants will be rated on qualifications and experience set forth on the application form.

For further information or for application forms, call the Board of Examiners, telephone 2226. Applications will be accepted by the Executive Secretary, NACA Board of U. S. Civil Service Examiners until August 11.

**FOR SALE:** Completely furnished home in excellent location. Four rooms and bath. Stairway to floored attic. Vance Hedgepeth, Hampton - 8726.

## 1000 X-RAYED

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Night shift employees may be served in the Electrical Building at any time between 9 a.m. and 12 noon and 1 p.m. and 4 p.m.

Present plans call for any necessary rechecks to be made on 14 by 17 inch film within about eight weeks by a follow-up crew from the health department.

**FOR SALE:** 2 men's wrist watches also parts for 1936 Oldsmobile. Vance Hedgepeth, Hampton-8726.

**WANTED:** Riding combination from Southampton to E. Area on 7:30 shift. Bill Craig. Classification.

## BUY BONDS

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or more by 90% of the employees."

Attendance clerks in each section will be given bond allotment cards and employees are urged to fill them out and invest as much as possible in the Payroll Savings Plan.

**WANTED:** Riding combination from Southampton to W. Area on 7:30 shift. C. E. Brown, 4488.

**WANTED:** Ride for 2 from Buckroe to E. Area on 7 shift. Luck, E. Erect.

**NOTICE:** Anyone interested in joining flying club with Cessna, contact Alec Fulks, IAL.

# SHIP-WRECK DANCE FRIDAY, JUNE 27