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EMPLOYEE TO DIRECT LITTLE THEATRE PLAY



Sally Rodriguez

Sally H. Rodriguez, of the Purchase Section, has been selected to direct the Hampton Little Theatre's forthcoming production of "Junior Miss." Under her maiden name of Sally Herold, she has had an extensive career acting and directing in a professional capacity. She is a graduate of the American Academy of Dramatic Arts.

Before coming to Hampton, Sally was assisting New York producer Lee Sabinson in his forthcoming production of a musical, but this came to an abrupt ending when her husband, Charles, accepted a position as an engineer here at Langley. However, upon learning of the Little Theatre she welcomed the opportunity to continue her theatrical work and enthusiastically donated her histrionic abilities. Among the plays she has appeared in are: "Arsenic and Old Lace", "My Sister Eileen", "Junior Miss", "Personal Appearance", "Janie", "Cry Havoc", "Ah, Wilderness", "Of Mice and Men", "You Can't Take It With You", "Bill of Divorcement", and many others. She has also appeared in many radio shows in New York.

Tryouts for "Junior Miss" will be held at Syms-Eaton Sunday, October 13, at 2 p.m. A large

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FORMAL DEDICATION OF RECREATION BUILDING SET FOR OCTOBER 16

INCREASE SPEED LIMIT ON POST

With an estimated additional 2400 persons now leaving Langley Field at 4:45 p.m. each work day, the result of a change in duty hours of an Army unit here, a serious traffic problem has arisen which makes a large number of Laboratory employees about 15 or 20 minutes later in getting home.

The Langley Field provost marshal's office, cognizant of the resulting traffic congestion, is attempting to solve the problem by increasing the speed limit on the post and on the military access highway and through the cooperation of drivers of private vehicles.

The new speed limits for leaving Langley Field are 25 miles per hour from Austin Hall to the bridge; 30 miles per hour on the bridge; and 40 miles per hour on the military access highway to Moller's store, where Army jurisdiction ends.

Captain Greenwood, provost marshal, announced that no passes will be checked at the end of the day and that drivers should refrain from stopping at the gate unless they pull over to the side of the highway far enough to permit a steady flow of traffic to pass them.

Upon reaching the access highway, drivers are requested to maintain the 40 miles per hour

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AIR COMMODORE SHARP VISITS LABORATORY

A distinguished visitor to the Laboratory facilities last Wednesday afternoon was Air Commodore A. C. H. Sharp D.S.O., Director of accident prevention for the British Air Ministry. Sharp arrived at Langley Field last Tuesday. He stated that his purpose in visiting America was "to study the accident prevention program in the American air forces and, if possible, to learn ways of improving our own."

The Executive Board of the LMAL Morale Activities announced this week that the new Recreation Building in West Area will have its formal opening at the dedication ceremony on Wednesday, October 16. Laboratory employees will be excused from their regularly assigned duties in time to attend the ceremonies which will begin at 2:30 p.m. The program will begin with an opening address by Dr. H. J. E. Reid, Engineer-in-Charge, followed by the dedication of the building by John F. Victory, Executive Secretary of the Washington Office. After the ceremony, employees may inspect the facilities and attend demonstrations of various activities such as tennis, horseshoe, volley ball, and badminton tournaments.

The dedication will close with a semi-formal dance on either Friday or Saturday night of the same week. The exact date will be announced at a later date. The dance is being held in an effort to raise funds for operational expenses. Cost of tickets has not been announced as yet; however, tickets will be placed on sale one week in advance of the dance.

TYPIST, STENO EXAM MAY BE GIVEN HERE

Due to the large number of applicants for the examination for typists and stenographers, who are employed at this Laboratory, the Regional Office has been requested to hold the examination at Langley Field. Those who have not filed their applications, may send their application cards to the Employment Office, not later than October 14, without specifying the place of the examination. The closing date for filing applications in the Regional Office is October 17. For further information, call the Employment Office, telephone 2272, or see copies of the announcement on bulletin boards in the Technical Service, Administration, Utility, and West Area Warehouse Buildings.

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LIFE at the LABORATORY

Another long lived Laboratory romance. was climaxed last Saturday when Odie Beckham and Stan Lipson, both of Full Scale Tunnel, took their final vows at the St. Andrew's Episcopal Church in Norfolk. Al Braslow, Low Turbulence, was best man and groomsmen were: Bob Harrington, Full Scale Tunnel; and Felician Fullmer and Jones Cahill, both of Low Turbulence.



Young V. Houston, FRD. and wife Charlotte, formerly of Employment Office, recently became the proud parents of a daughter.

Another proud papa. is Tom Voglewede of Flight Research. He became the father of a son on Saturday, September 28.

Last Saturday was the big day. for Isabelle Montgomery, formerly of Files, when she tied the final knot with Arthur Marshall in Lynchburg. Helen Marshall, sister of the groom and former "birdcage" mate of the bride, was maid-of-honor.



The East Machine Shop. is finally settling down now that Clarence Brown has become the proud father of a daughter born Sunday, September 29.

Another former employee. Jackie Cook Ferraro, formerly of Special Projects, recently became the proud mother of a seven pound son, Nicholas Duell.

Jean Rowe, Personnel Records. flitted in this week with a big sparkler on her third finger left hand. She's engaged to Robert Daniels of Newport News. No definite wedding plans have been announced.

Passing out cigars. last Monday in a manner typical of new fathers was C. L. Brown of Physical Research. He became the proud papa of a daughter, Sandra Ann, on Sunday, September 29.

Another Laboratory maiden. is sporting a new sparkler on her third finger left hand. This time it's Doris Rudd, I.B.M., and she is engaged to Robert Porter of Newport News. No definite wedding plans have been announced

FROM AVIATION'S LOG BOOK

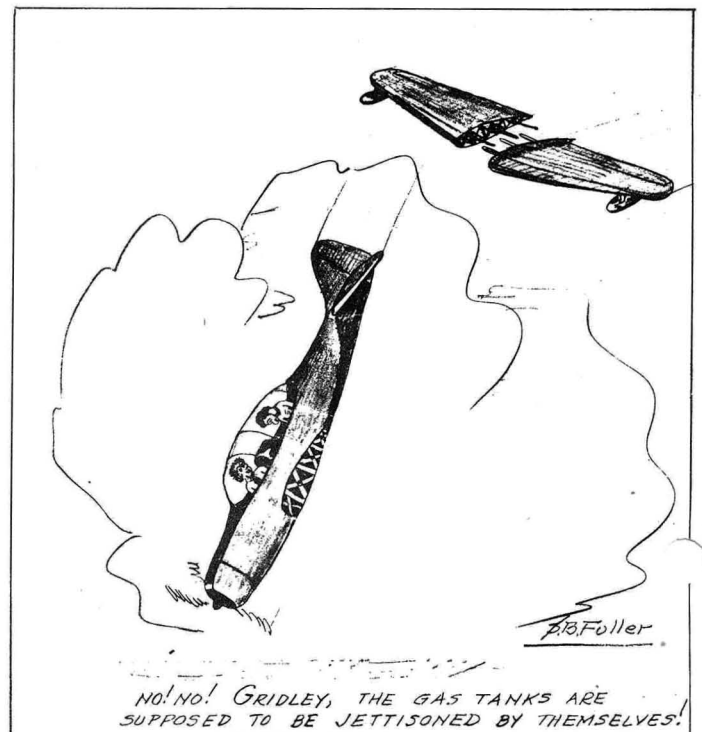
Zeppelin - A Man and an Invention----

The success story of Ferdinand Von Zeppelin and the airship didn't begin until he passed his first half century of life, his early career being spent as a cavalry officer in the German Army. Zeppelin thought that he could succeed where others had previously failed in the construction of a rigid airship, which unlike a balloon, could maintain its shape under all conditions and move under its own power. Building an envelop from a metal framework covered with coped cloth within which several separate gas cells were located, Zeppelin tested out his rigid airship idea. The initial attempt in 1900 met with failure as did a number of others. However, the fourth Zeppelin airship achieved considerable success when it flew over the Alps to Switzerland and returned to Germany. Misfortune struck again when it too was lost shortly thereafter during an attempted landing in a storm.

Nevertheless, Count Von Zeppelin kept building and improving his airships and in 1910 he began a commercial passenger service with dirigibles. During the next four years the service carried 35,000 passengers for 170,000 miles without a serious mishap; this was many years before our present day airlines even came into existence.

When World War I came, Zeppelin built many dirigibles for the German Army which were used for bombing and observation purposes. Perhaps the outstanding Zeppelin exploit of World War I occurred when the L-59 made a sustained 4,000 mile flight from Europe in an attempt to relieve a hard pressed German military force in East Africa. When the L-59 landed it still had enough fuel for two more days of continuous operation.

Zeppelin did not live to know of the L-59 flight but his work was carried on by others. A number of years later, even the L-59 flight was eclipsed by the "Graf Zeppelin", named after the old Count, when it made its historic trip around the world.





Shown above are staff members of the Washington Office. Front row (left to right): Jerry Teplitz, formerly of 19-Foot, Raymond M. Frymire, Carl Schreiber, William M. Shea, William M. Thompson, Ralph E. Cushman, Harry W. Hammann, Harry W. Cameron, Parnely C. Daniels, R. Wilmot Brown, David Finegold, James A. Hootman, Edward T. Macutchen, Mateel A. Ward, Nell Mitchell, Ruth Conover, Florence E. Anschutz, Vivian Adair, Martha Klein, Second row - Sylvia Green, Ada Raup, Frank Clarke, Edgar N. Hammerley, Marjory Havens, Rosa Smith, Catherine Wheeler, Russell G. Robinson, Charles H. Helms, Edward H. Chamberlin, John F. Victory, Jerome C. Hunseker, George W. Lewis, Margaret Muller, Ruth Scott, Helen Hopkins, Alexandrine Johnston, Helene Gingras. Third row - Lillian Fischer, Nellie Apanasewicz, Daisy Wenk, Ruth Mansell, Evelyn Catrow, Theodore W. Billings, Thomas T. Neill, Helen Smith, Yvonne Burke, Ellen Underck, Vivian F. Keene, Fred Rice, formerly of Low Turbulence, Rachel Buchanan, Mary Reed, Suzanne Garner, Helen Lazaro, John W. Walker, Pauline Bailley, Kathleen Beckley, Lawrence M. Pearson, Lorie

Gough, Zenobia Mills, Elaine Liebman, Lillian Husa, Edith Coons, Lucy Beall, Ralph E. Ulmer, Marjorie Leverett, Mary Wood, Elizabeth Baugh, Wilma Remagen, Marion Yates, Beverly Eveson, Mary Llewellyn, Emily Torrillo, Adeline Hellend, Barbara Dunn, Edward T. Maher, Clarence J. Robey, Morris E. Bowling, Melville F. Kiefer, Ruth Saunders, Grace Mary Colliflower, Elizabeth Washam, Mary Redding, Julia Wingate, Helen Rankin, Geneva Stromme, Marie Schmid, Mary Gilbert, Anita Collins, Mae Heinemann, Anna Kunde, Matilda Shotts, Mary Adair. Fourth row - Dwayne A. Collins, formerly of Training, Robert E. Littell, Milton B. Ames, Jr., Franklyn W. Phillips, David Baker, Harrison C. Chandler, Jr., Joseph F. Vanier, Louise Lawhorn, Lucille Bunn, Mildren Young, Lillian Contee, Mack P. Smith, Elizabeth Jackson, Arthur Hood, Theresa Bishop, Margaret Hopper, Peggy Percival, Bette Luckritz, Josephine Dibella, Margaret Freudiger, Mary Liggett, Bessie Loss, Betty Pearce, Helen Ballinger, Charlotte Jarek, and Elizabeth Victory.



Last week quite a few of our cohorts from the Washington Office, Cleveland, and Moffett Field paid a visit to the Laboratory. Cleveland had the largest representation with the following persons dropping in: A. D. Boelmer, Structural Engineer; W. J. McCann, Budget Officer; A. H. Heidenreich, Electrical Consultant; Robert C. Sessions, Assistant Manager; M. J. Timmerman, Structural Designer; W. V. Gough, Jr., Test Pilot; A. G. Groff, Jr., Architect; and Milton E. Lipes, Equipment Installation Shop Superintendent.

Joe Jurscaga, Machinist, and Terrie A. Nickle, Budget Officer; were visitors from the Ames Laboratory; and Washington Office was represented by H. C. Chandler, Jr., Assistant Aeronautical Engineer; and Ralph I. McReady, Coordinator of Reproduction. C. J. Wenzinger, former head

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speed. Drivers are also asked to stay in line on the highway and refrain from trying to pass cars that are in front.

One outstanding problem noted during the past week was that drivers have difficulty emerging from side streets in the vicinity of the Administration Building and the 19-Foot Pressure Tunnel, into the traffic flow on Dodd Boulevard. Since it does not appear likely that traffic will be directed in these areas, the only apparent solution is that there will be a few courteous souls with enough patience to permit these drivers to enter the main traffic stream.

WANTED: Passengers to Lynchburg and Roanoke. Driving every weekend, leaving Friday after work and returning Sunday evening. C. E. Saul, Maintenance Utility Operation.

FOR SALE: Three month old black and tan male cocker spaniel pup. 250 Columbia Avenue or call Hampton -7635. of 19-Foot Pressure Tunnel and now head of Aeronautical Mechanics for the David Taylor Model Basin, also dropped in to chat with old friends.

COMING

The following calendar of coming events at the West Area Recreation Center is printed for the convenience of sections planning future get-togethers.

Oct. 13 - Spin Tunnel

Oct. 30 - 7 X 10

Nov. 2 - W. Sheet-metal



LITTLE THEATRE

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turnout is expected.

The comedy has had a successful two year run on Broadway. The story deals with a girl of Junior Miss age, Judy Graves, and her chum, Puffy Adams, who reside in the same apartment house in New York City. Many humorous and some almost tragic situations that these two create involving parents and friends make for an evening of hilarious entertainment.

KILGORE, CAMPBELL IN FINAL PLAYOFFS

Ed Kilgore, East Engineering, and Johnny Campbell, Free Flight Tunnel, will meet in the finals of the annual NACA Tennis Tournament. Kilgore defeated Jim Daus in the semi-finals 6-2, 6-4, after Daus had advanced by beating Bill Jordan 6-1 7-5 and Marvin Haar 6-0, 6-2. Campbell reached the finals with a 6-0, 6-4 win over Bill Sperry. Sperry had won from Leo Rogin 7-5, 6-3 in the second round and had received a forfeit from Jack Erwin in the quarter-finals.

SOFTBALL NOTICE

Due to failure of some team captains to notify John Knemeyer of the names of all the umpires who called their home games, many ump's have not been paid in full. All team captains are requested to check their records and notify Knemeyer, Electrical Engineering, of any omissions that may have been made in reporting umpires' names for their home games.

FOOTBALL NOTICE

All sections interested in entering the Touch Football League for the coming season are urged to have a team representative present at the meeting which will be held at the Syms-Eaton Community Center on Wednesday night, October 9, at 7:30.

BOWLING LEAGUE GETS UNDERWAY

The NACA Bowling League started its season of play this week with three leagues, mixed duckpin, men's duckpin, and ten pin. As the "Air Scoop" went to press only one league, the mixed duckpin, had played. Structures Research and 19-Foot Pressure Tunnel were the only two teams to win all three games.

Men's high game was won by Joe Kempner, Administration, with 115; and women's high game went to Marjorie Wilson, Sound Lab, with 100. High set honors were won by Ed Kruszewski, Structures, with 302, and Virginia Tucker, Editorial Office, with 273. Full Scale #1 took high team game with 466 and Structures came in to take high team set with 1,370.

Teams represented in the league are: Structures Research, 19-Foot, Full Scale #1, Full Scale #2, Tank, 16-Foot, Editorial Office, Administration, Electrical, and Sound Lab.

FOR SALE: Winchester 12 gage, model 24 double barrel shotgun. Like new. Price - \$45. T. T. Starkey, West Machine.

WANTED: Passengers to Birmingham by way of Atlanta. Leaving October 18 and returning October 29. H. S. Ribner, Stability Analysis.

FOR SALE: 1946 General electric portable radio. James C. Forrest, East Electrical Shop.

What's My Name?



I am a native Hamptonian having seen the first light of day in Crab town in April 1915. I grew up as every normal boy grows up and managed to struggle through grammar school and high school. I received my high school education at Hampton High and I'm proud of it. In 1934 I entered Randolph-Macon College and received an A. B. degree in Literature and Languages in 1937.

Upon completion of my college education, I took a job teaching Algebra at George Wythe Junior High. After teaching for five years I finally ended up at the NACA in June 1940 as an Engineering Aide. A little later in my Naca career, I took over the Duplicating Section and now I'm connected with the Personnel Division as Head of Employment Section.

Somewhere along the way competition got pretty strong so I married my high school sweetheart. I am the PROUD papa of a one year old son who is walking and talking. My two main hobbies are duck hunting and staying married.

J. NORWON POOMSON

WANTED: Ride for two to Cincinnati, Chicago, or Cleveland. Leaving around October 12. A. Alexander, Personnel Services, or call Hampton-6448.

FOR SALE: Factory majored Elf Twin with coil and condenser also newly broken in Cless "C" Cannon engine. Bill Rowley, Dynamic Model Shop.

