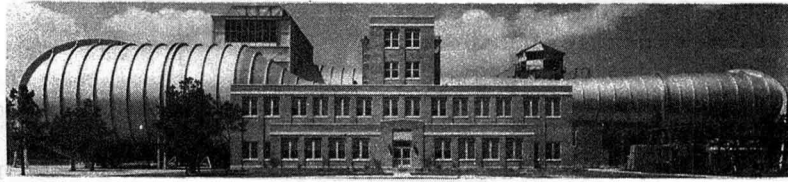
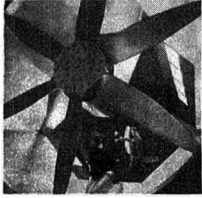


# LMAL BULLETIN



## LANGLEY MEMORIAL AERONAUTICAL LABORATORY

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### **SOFTBALL LEAGUE selective service CAGE SEASON MAKES '44 PLANS asks cooperation HERE BEGINS**

Preliminary organization plans for the 1944 Laboratory men's softball league have been completed, according to Si Diskin of Structures Research, newly-elected chairman. Other permanent officers include Ben Johnson, Low Turbulence Section, secretary, and Jerry Teplitz, 19-foot Tunnel, sergeant-at-arms.

A committee comprised of Diskin, Everett Daniels, 8-foot Tunnel, and Paul Marchal, Engineering Section, was appointed to investigate the possibility of using fields located at Darling Memorial Park, Armstrong School, Wythe Junior High School, and a field adjoining AmWythe Hall.

Also named was a cost committee to study the establishment of an entrance fee for teams, Teplitz and James Read, Engineering Section; a publicity committee, Sid Batterson, Diskin, Johnson, and Frank Read, Engineering Section; a committee to formulate aims of

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The Laboratory requests that all draft-eligible men furnish promptly to the LMAL Selective Service office (Technical Service Building, telephone 368) any information that comes to them concerning (1) reclassification, (2) orders for preinduction physical examination, (3) notices of reclassification, (4) orders for induction, or (5) other matters that affect their Selective Service status.

Further, to prevent charges of delinquency by local boards, LMAL draft-eligible men should keep their local boards fully and promptly informed as to changes (1) in their local addresses; (2) in their marital status, including the birth of children; and (3) in other matters in which Selective Service is concerned.

This information is needed under Selective Service Regulations, if LMAL is to do all that it can and should to retain essential workers.

Plans for the LMAL Basketball League have been completed, it was announced by a committee of league representatives, including Pete Korycinski, chairman; Blake W. Corson, Jr., Hank Fedziuk and Bill Craig.

The committee in company with George B. Colonna met with the Elizabeth City County school board and obtained use of the Wythe Junior High School gym for two nights each week. Frank Long, head of the Hampton Industrial USO, obtained for the league the use of the Langley View School gym.

The league got under way Feb. 23 at Langley View. Each game started off with a bang and a fast and furious pace was maintained for about three minutes of the first quarter. After that impressive three-minute spurt, however, the players, heaving and panting like tired locomotives, settled down to less furious play.

In the first game, 16-foot Tunnel defeated Structures, 16 to 12. PRT and 8-foot Tunnel tangled in the second game which had more than a touch of football in it. The powerful 8-foot team garnered 27 points to PRT's 11, with Hank Fedziuk high scorer with 13 points. The final game between FRM and Tank was unbelievable. Despite their energetic efforts, the game ended with a 6-6 tie. In a five-minute overtime period neither team scored. The game

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### **OFFICERS CONFER WITH REID**

Colonel Jarvis Butler and Lieutenant-Colonel J. H. Belknap, representing the Joint Army-Navy Aeronautical Board, visited LMAL Wednesday, February 23, to confer with H. J. E. Reid, Engineer-in-Charge, regarding the Army and Navy's plan for the continuance of essential Army-Navy work with present employees of the NACA. The full plans are now being developed and will be released within a few days, either by an extra edition of the Bulletin or by memorandum to the staff and through the local press.



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*Let's Be 100 Percent On The Home Front*

John F. Victory, Secretary of the NACA, requests in a communication that LMAL make a concerted effort to subscribe 100 percent to the payroll allotment plan for war savings bonds. A check with the bond office shows that there were 86 non-contributors on a payroll of approximately 2,350 as of Jan. 16-31. Mr. Victory says:

"Every loyal American, of course, wants to do his part to help win the war. The Government at this time is asking for help from those on the home front in the form of war bond purchases. There undoubtedly are some employees who simply cannot afford to subscribe their full quotas. The decision in the matter by each employee is fully respected. The Government, however, needs support from all of its citizens, and no subscription is too small.

"The NACA is anxious to have every one of its employees participate, for not only does every little bit help, but the smallest subscription helps as much as the largest in reaching the goal of 100 percent participation. Appeal is therefore made to those who have not yet subscribed to re-examine their problem if they can, by making some sacrifice if necessary, subscribe something, even though they honestly cannot subscribe their full quota.

"By helping our country at this time, we are also helping ourselves. So, in the long run it is no sacrifice. We not only want to make the quota but we want above all to present a united front with every employee enrolled."

*A Note About Telephones*

A Laboratory employee, in calling attention to a lack of telephone etiquette displayed by many employees here, suggests that persons answering a telephone always identify themselves and their section or office; and be prepared to give thorough, definite answers to questions.

A suggestion is also made that employees consider the importance of their calls before placing them. The telephone system is being burdened with an increasing number of calls each day and it is possible that many of them could be avoided by substituting a brief memorandum to convey the message desired.

**BASKETBALL**

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was finally won in the second overtime period when Lindell made a basket and FRM won, 8 to 6.

The league is composed of nine teams: PRT, Structures,

8-foot Tunnel, IRL, Tank, AFR, FRM, Engineering, and 16-foot Tunnel.

The feminine side of basketball is represented by the PRT and 16-foot Tunnel girls' teams. They use the Langley View gym on Tuesday nights.

**LIBRARY NEWS**

The following Library books are available for charging out:

Hurt, H. H. The College Blue Book.

National Fire Protection Association. National Fire Codes for Extinguishing and Alarm Equipment. Compiled by Robert S. Moulton.

Freberg & Kemler. Elements of Mechanical Vibration.

Allen, Roy M. The Microscope in Elementary Cast Iron Metallurgy.

Prandtl & Betz. Vier Abhandlungen zur Hydrodynamik und Aerodynamik.

Management Review (issued monthly).

Bulletins of the American Management Association, including Office Management Series, Production Series, Insurance Series.

Webster's Dictionary of Synonyms.

Steeds, W. Engineering Materials, Machine Tools, and Processes.

Thompson, J. E. Manual for Aircraft Hydraulics.

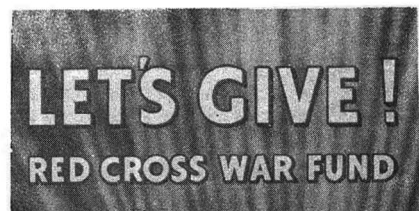
Now on file and available for limited loan are the following magazines on personnel administration:

Personnel (issued bi-monthly).

Factory.

It is believed that these magazines will be of considerable reference value to various staff members who are confronted with problems of personnel management.

LOST: The following library material: 629.142, D93, v. 3, copy 4, Aerodynamic Theory by W. F. Durand, 1934; please return to library if found.



# Life At The Laboratory

**CELEBRATION:** The Club Chippy Dale enjoyed a meeting and buffet supper recently in celebration of the birthday of one of its members, "Pudgy" Parmenter.

**THANKS:** Tommy King's mother sends her sincere thanks to the Laboratory for the flowers, favors and best wishes extended to the family during Tommy's critical illness. Tommy, injured in an accident at the Laboratory several weeks ago, is reported at the Norfolk Marine Hospital as showing much improvement.

**ROMANCE:** Two redheads at the Laboratory became engaged during the past week. They were Charles V. Bennett, Free-Flight Tunnel, and Mary Noble Angel, Engineering Section. It all happened on Mary's birthday--Feb. 21.

**MISCELLANY:** Margaret Corbett, Stability, is back at work after two weeks' illness....Dot Severance, Illustration, is getting excited over her trip to New York and West Point. Who wouldn't be, with six plays to see and two dates.

**PARTY TIME:** The Instrument Service Section frolicked last week at the first of a series of monthly parties to be sponsored by the group's Fun Club. The affair was held at the Hampton Odd Fellows Club, where refreshments and dancing were enjoyed. Charles Shobe made it a double celebration. It was his 19th anniversary of service with the NACA. On the Fun Club committee are Hazel Calloway, Alma Betts and Pat Mueller.

**THE FORMULA CHAMP:** Warren Gilman is playing nursemaid to a litter of pups at his house since the mother canine was taken to the dog hospital. He had a little trouble with the formula at first, but is reported now to be quite an expert.

**HE WAS RIBBED:** J. J. Lankes, assuming the attitude of an "absent-minded professor", reported to work the other day with unmated shoes and bore the brunt of the Illustrators' ribbing all day.

## TECHNICAL SERVICE CLUB FETES APPRENTICE GRADUATES

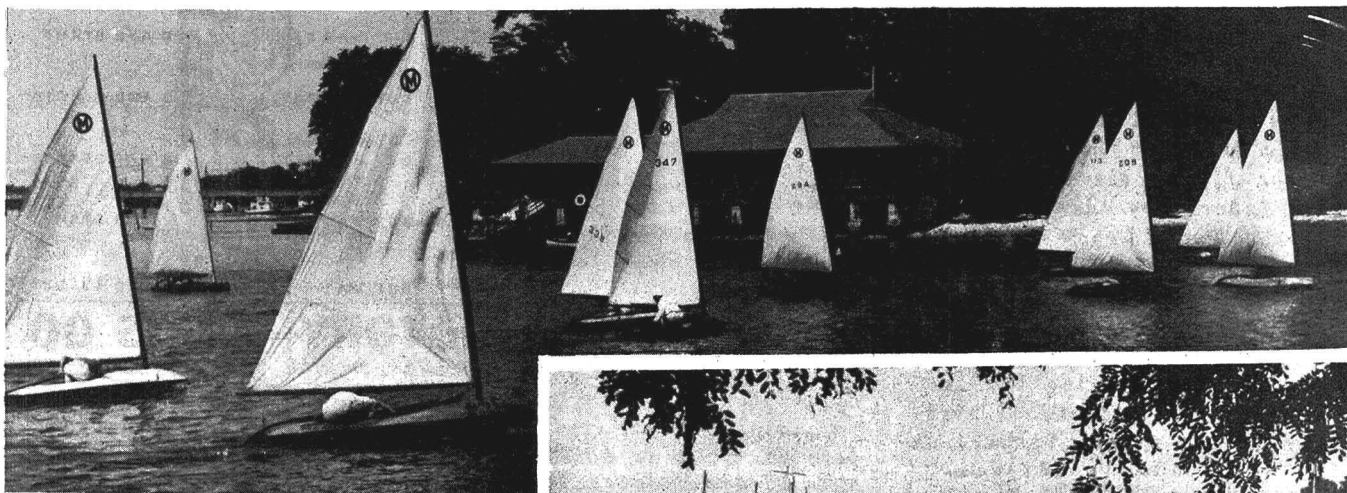
The Supervisors' Club of the Technical Service Division gave a party for LMAL graduate apprentices at Oak Point camp on February, 20.

Those present also included various members of the Research and Administrative Departments.

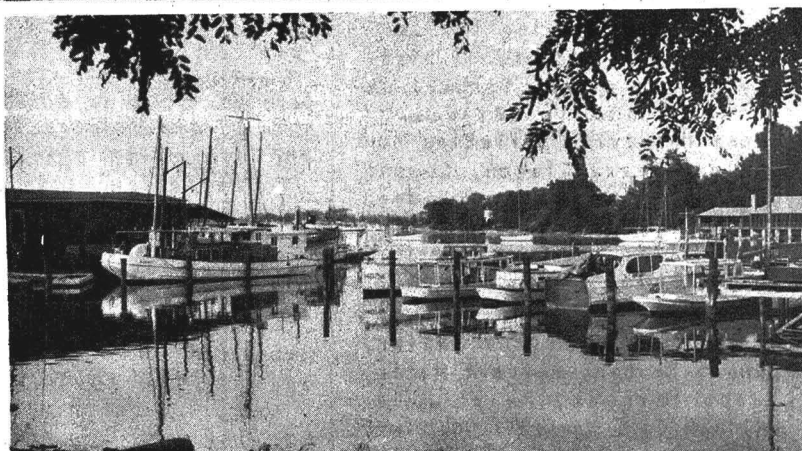
Although inclement weather handicapped outdoor activities, a very enjoyable time was had indoors by all, playing games, solo dancing to the accompaniment of Tom Hulcher's accordion and witnessing a feature tumbling act by Leigh Lewis and Harry Shoaf (Harry Shoaf was on the bottom). Those who did not participate in any of the games found great pleasure in just looking on or reminiscing before the big fireplace.

A special sea food dinner was served, consisting of fried trout, steamed crabs, clam cnowder, french fried potatoes, oysters.

**NEW NUMBERS:** Pass Office at entrance to West Area, 390; Counselor-to-Women, 226; Fluid and Gas Dynamic Analysis Section in old VDT office, 248.



*Harbinger  
Of Spring--  
Hampton River*



# Service

## Notes...

The Bulletin is really getting around now as its service men's mailing list expands....The paper goes to the South Pacific, England, and all over the United States.... A Bulletin sent last week to Private James T. Smoot at Lawson Field, Fort Benning, Ga., was returned with a notation on the envelope: "Deceased--return to sender." The date and circumstances surrounding Smoot's death were not available. He worked at the Laboratory during the first four months of 1943, serving as an under aircraft woodworker in the Two-Dimensional Tunnel. He was 20 years of age and lived at Fox Hill while employed at LMAL....Aviation Student Stanley P. Shapiro writes that he has successfully completed his training for appointment as an aviation cadet and has been transferred from Miami to Middle Georgia College at Cochran for five months of college training preparatory to entering pre-flight school. "Being in the Air Force, I can really appreciate the work I did while at NACA, for I hope soon to be flying the planes that the Laboratory has tested and improved; and I know our planes are the best", Stanley says. He sends his regards to all the fellows in the East Machine Shop, where he formerly worked....Any one knowing the correct service address of Stanley Colson please forward it to the Bulletin Office.... Those receiving Bulletins now include Harry Clason, Eugene Snyder, Doug Hill, Vincent Colosimo, Stanley Shapiro, Frank Allen, W. E. Owen, Jr., David Crump, John Kaufman, Karl Birkel, Donn Schaff, Viggo Dereng, George Sadler, Edward Reuben, Herbert Mills, Bruce Largent, Ralph Moll, William Guy, Howard B. Miller, and Harold Raymond Long.

# USO NEWS

**BRIDGE CLUB:** Bruce Amole, Tank, is the president of the Hampton Industrial USO's contract bridge club which plays there each Monday night. Andrew M. Myers, Construction, is vice president, and Manuel Stein, Structures Research, is secretary-treasurer....Those interested in playing bridge may become members by making application to Amole or one of the other officers.

**PING PONG:** The Hampton USO ping pongers topped the Newport News center during the past week. Carl Kolbe, Hydrodynamics, beat Phaup; Everette Dunlap, IRL, whipped Karam; Bob Stewart, Dynamic Model Shop, defeated Folger; Leonard Damratowski, Tank, lost to Inman; and Fred Waller, Apprentice, bested Chalmers in the singles....Doubles winners were Damratowski and Dunlap over Inman and Folger; and Stewart and Kolbe over Phaup and Karam.

**SPACE ADDED:** The second floor of the Industrial USO has been remodeled and is now available for parties and meetings. Leigh Lewis, Apprentice Administration, says any group wishing to make use of the quarters may communicate with him and he will arrange to reserve it at the time requested.

**JUST A THOUGHT:** Don't forget to patronize your Industrial USO...It was established for your pleasure.

# SOFTBALL

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the league. Diskin, Batterson, and Teplitz.

Other organization steps taken: Appointment of Frank Read to investigate possibility of obtaining non-playing umpires; suggestion that all teams using a uniform turn in the desired color scheme to avoid duplication; decision to have the league purchase bats and balls to be issued to teams at beginning of games; appointment of Jack Posner, Tank, to acquire official rule books for each team; recommendation that each player subscribe to hospital insurance.

Any one desiring to serve as umpires and official scorers or any employee who would like to play softball and is not now a member of a team may send their names to the Bulletin Office.

The next league meeting will be March 2 at 7:30 p.m. at the Industrial USO. All new teams are requested to send a representative to this meeting.

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## RECRUIT FOR VICTORY-- LET'S GO

The Laboratory is distributing with this issue of the Bulletin several postcard folders for use by the employees in aiding LMAL in its present campaign to recruit additional personnel. It is hoped that each employee will send one or more of the folders to a friend who might be interested in employment at the Langley Laboratory.

The folder is in three sections. One section includes space for an address on one side and for a personal message on the reverse side. The middle section contains a picture of the 16-foot High-Speed Wind Tunnel and a description of the Laboratory and the NACA and of the personnel needs here. The third section has a return address and a questionnaire which may be sent back to the Laboratory by the person receiving the folder.

Any one desiring additional folders may obtain them by calling the Bulletin Office, 376.