

# Air Scoop



## EMPLOYEES MUST FILE BENEFICIARY FORMS

Serious delays have been encountered in effecting settlement of (a) the amount to an employee's credit in the Retirement fund, and (b) lump sum leave payments, because of the deceased employee's failure to designate a beneficiary under the Retirement Act. Under applicable laws, such moneys are turned over to the executor or administrator of the employee's estate, or to his next of kin, if no beneficiary is designated. This is not only time consuming, but may result in payment of the money to other than the person or persons the employee would have designated.

The designation of a beneficiary is no longer optional, but is required under current provisions of the Act. All employees who have retirement deductions

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## CLOSING DATE SET FOR EXAMINATIONS

The NACA Board of U.S. Civil Service Examiners has announced that the following examinations will close on August 26: Aircraft Welder, Auto and Truck Mechanic, Boat Operator, Boat Operator Group Leader, Burner and Cutter, Cleaner Foreman, Diesel Engine Mechanic I through IV, Diesel Engine Mechanic Shift Leader, Electrician I through IV, Engineer P-2 through P-5, Engineering Draftsman SP-2 through SP-8, Equipment Maintenance Mechanic II, WB-10, Equipment Maintenance Mechanic Group Leader, Heat Treating and Orifice Installation Mechanic, Helper (Aircraft Mechanic), Helper (Electrician), Helper (Electronic Mechanic), Helper (Heating Plant Operator), Helper (Machinist), Helper (Sheetmetal Work-

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## X-RAY CLINIC WILL REOPEN AUG. 31

The X-ray survey of Laboratory personnel was interrupted last week by mechanical failure of the X-ray machine. Twelve hundred and one employees from East Area and Wallops Island had been examined at the time of the break-down. It is estimated that about the same number will report to the West Area Clinic.

According to information received from the State Health Department in Richmond, repairs are being made on the machine and will be completed soon so that the balance of the Laboratory staff may have the opportunity to take advantage of this service.

The West Area clinic will be located in the Morale Activities Building on August 31 and September 1 and section heads will be notified as to the time the members of their sections are to report for examination. A Laboratory shuttle bus will furnish transportation to and from the survey headquarters.

## MALE CHORUS RESUMES WORK

Officials of the NACA Morale Activities Association announced that the piano in the Activities Building has been completely worked over and will be in top shape for the Male Chorus rehearsals.

Rehearsals were discontinued about a month ago in order that repairs could be made on the piano. Mary Noble Bennett, Director of the organization, announced that rehearsals will be resumed next week and that the group will meet every Wednesday after noon at 4:30 in the Activities Building. All men interested in singing and who would like to join the group are invited to come out next Wednesday.

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The year 1924 is famous for the world flight projects fostered by various nations. France, along with many other nations, marshaled their best resources in the hope of being the first to circle the globe, but it was the U. S. Army Air Service World Flight Squadron which achieved success. Seven years later two French pilots, Coste and Belonte, made the first successful world flight in a French plane. They are shown above at the controls of their plane as they landed at the Omaha, Nebraska airport in August, 1931. --Photo by Frank Morris

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## LIFE AT THE LABORATORY

Things are a little dull. . . . .

this week with nobody getting married and just a few people having babies. It looks as though Dar Cuipt and the Stork have gone on a vacation along with the rest of the elite. Either that or some reporters are falling down on the job. You may not think we're talking to you but if you'll glance at the staff box you'll find out just who the "Air Scoop" reporters are. The last time we looked at it it read "Reporters . . . . . Langley Employees, so if you work here that means you so call us at 2376 and tell us all the latest news. If all 3,000 reporters did their job we wouldn't have lean weeks like this one.

One reporter who's on the ball. . . . .

called in the other day to tell us about the new arrival at the Joe Boyle household. The new addition is a son and he arrived on Wednesday, August 4. The proud father works in East Model Shop, and the mother, Elva May, is formerly of Physical Research.

It seems that the. . . . .

"Air Scoop" was given a bum steer last week on the rescue story of four Hampton boys. The credit for the rescue was given to George A. Wingfield, F.I.D.A., but George claims that it was evidently another George Wingfield because he had nothing to do with the episode.

Bill Talmage, formerly of. . . . .

West Engineering, was given a farewell dinner party by members of his group last week at the Activities Building. Those attending were Bill and Eloise Talmage, Paul and Lot Taylor, Nick and Grace Jevan, Ray and Ginny Spaulding, Kent and Ruth Horton, Ralph and Dolores Chanfrau, and Earl and Edith Council. Caldwell Johnson and Joe Dodson served as waiters for the occasion.

Harold R. Snyder. . . . .

East Electrical Shop, came in passing out cigars this week after becoming the father of a 10 pound, 15 ounce bouncing baby boy on Monday, August 9.

Members of the dancing. . . . .

class are reminded that class will meet next Wednesday night at 7:30 at the Activities Building as scheduled. After a two-week rest, students will no doubt find it a little hard to get back into the swing of things so mark the date on your calendar and come out and learn another new step.

Last week. . . . .

John Crigler was awarded the bridge trophy for the series championship through April 1 to July 31 with a total of 60 percent. The new series started August 1 and will run the remaining part of the year with a trophy going to the winner. In order to be eligible for the trophy, a player must play as many as 10 games and he cannot play with any one partner more than 3 times. At the club meeting last Tuesday night at the Activities Building North-South winners were Crigler and C. M. Marks with 116 points and 64.4 percent. East-West winners were Carl Rosaman and Ed Kruszewski, Structures Research, with 110½ points and 61.4 %.

In life as in baseball-yesterday's hits will not win today's game. --Sommers

The man who is a good listener not only is popular, but after a while he learns something. --Weller

In all affairs of life, courtesies of the smallest character are the ones which strike deepest. -Clay

It is usually not so much the greatness of our troubles as the littleness of our spirit which makes us complain. --Taylor

## BRAINBUSTER NEWS

By Bill Poythress

At the last club meeting Contest Director Caldwell Johnson and his aides drew up a tentative prize list for the model meet on September 5. Trophies and motors of good quality will be given for first place and motors will go to the second place winners. Other prizes will be made up of first class merchandise awards.

The same 50' x 50' tank that was used last year for the Rise-Off-Water type models will be used again this year and it is hoped some outstanding records will be broken.

Some of the records for ROW models are outstanding while others are very low and can easily be bettered. Listed below are the records up to date that may be broken at the Brainbuster Contest. Class A Jr., 50 seconds; Class A Sr., none established; Class A Open, 22 minutes, 1 second; Class B Jr., none established; Class B Sr., 59.6 seconds; Class B Open, 3 minutes, 27.8 seconds; Class C Jr., none established; Class C Sr., none established; Class C Open, 10 minutes, 52 seconds; Class D Jr., none established; Class D Sr., none established; Class D Open, 8 minutes, 8.6 seconds; Class C Stick Rubber powered Jr., 44.2 seconds; Class C Sr., 5 minutes, 22.6 seconds; Class C Open 3 minutes, 45.2 seconds.

Class D Jr., none established; Class D Sr., none established; Class D Open, 6 minutes, 12 seconds. None established for Class C and D cabin. gas powered.

If anyone is interested in trying to better an existing record or establishing a new one, the Brainbusters hold record trials for all type models every Sunday. Persons interested are asked to contact Joe Dodson, 4568.

FOR SALE: 1936 Ford - 2 door sedan. \$300 cash. P. H. Oncken, Instrument Service.

WANTED: German police puppy. Jean Forrest, Stability Research Division Office.

FOR SALE: 75 pound Coolirator ice box. Call Poquoson 3471.

FOR SALE: 3/32-inch plexiglass - used, all sizes. Ferguson, Classification.

FOR SALE: Spring and mattress for one single bed and a lavatory with new type drain. A. Alexander, Hampton - 6448.

# SOFTBALL NEWS

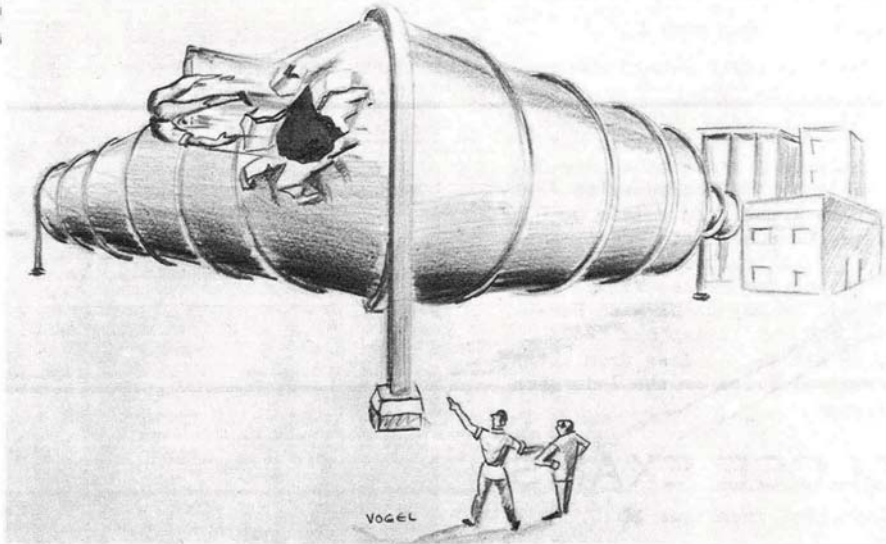
With the regular season of play drawing to a close, 19-Foot still leads Division I with a perfect record of 8 wins and West Machine heads Division II with 7 wins and no defeats. Trailing in the number two spot for each division are Electrical Shop and Instrument Research with an identical record of 8 wins and 1 loss.

Last week 19-Foot won their second straight game by defeating Aircraft Loads 8-4. The winners chalked up 4 runs in the first and 4 in the fourth while the losers scored 1 in the third and 3 in the fourth. Winning pitcher Pat Cancro gave up 7 hits, walked 9 and struck out 2 while losing pitcher Bill Aiken gave up 7 hits, walked 4, and struck out 2. Star batters for the winners were Davis and Corner with two singles each.

An impartial IAL fan sent in the following account of the IAL versus IRD game. The game was a close, hard fought contest all the way with IRD leading 4-3 at the beginning of the second inning. During the remaining part of the game IRD barely managed to hold the lead to win 24-4. Captain Bugg, IRD, began to worry in the first part of the fifth about a seventh inning rally by IAL, the score than being 18-3, so he tactfully suggested limiting the game to 5 innings. IAL stout-heartedly refused his offer and in desperation Bugg put himself in as a pinch hitter and popped up in the process. IRD lucked out 15 singles, 2 doubles, 2 triples, and 2 home runs by maneuvering all the IAL fielders into mud puddles. Collier racked up 2 singles, a triple, and a home run for the winners. IAL boomed out five tremendous singles. Eichmeyer was pitcher for the winners and Persh served on the mound for the losers.

Electrical Shop chalked up another win Tuesday when they defeated Dynamic Tunnels to the tune of 10-0. The winners scored three in the first, 4 in the third, and 3 in the fourth. Winning pitcher Knemeyer gave up 6 hits while losing pitcher Tosti gave up 10. Star hitters were Cottrell with 2 doubles and a single and Koffman with 2 doubles. Tosti led the losers with a double and a single.

19-Foot took their ninth straight win last Monday by trouncing Low Turbulence to the tune of 20-1. 19-Foot started off with 7 runs in the first and added 6 in the second, 1 in the third, 1 in the fourth, and 5 in the seventh.



"Oh, there's our new mechanic now!"

FOR SALE: 16 hp outboard motor. Slear, Mech. Maintenance.

FOR SALE: Garden tractor - 1 1/2 hp. Bob White, Inst. Construction.

Low Turbulence managed to come through with one run in the seventh. Winning pitcher Cancro allowed only 4 hits and struck out 5 while losing pitcher Dale Burrows gave up 19 hits and struck out 4. Leading batters were Chet Furlong with 3 singles and a triple, Davis with 2 singles and a double, and Conner with 2 singles and a triple. The outstanding play of the game came when Conner caught a long fly in right field and caught the man on first off base for a double play.

## STANDINGS - DIVISION I

Team	W	L	Avg.
19-Foot	9	0	1.000
Electrical	8	1	.889
Structures	6	2	.750
9-Inch	5	4	.556
Engineering Serv.	4	4	.500
West Model	4	4	.500
Dynamic Tunnels	4	5	.444
Loads	4	5	.444
Low Turbulence	3	5	.375
Spin Tunnel	2	7	.222
East Shops	0	10	.000

## STANDINGS - DIVISION II

Team	W	L	Avg.
West Machine	7	0	1.000
IRD	8	1	.889
Full Scale	6	3	.667
E. Compress.	5	3	.625
7 X 10	4	4	.500
16-Foot	3	3	.500
PRD	3	5	.375
PARD	3	5	.375
IAL	3	5	.375
Inst. Service	1	6	.143
8-Foot	1	9	.100

## LEADING BATTERS

Listed below are a few of the league batters who are batting .400 or better.

Player	Team	H	AB	Avg.
Davis	19'	21	38	.553
Aiken	Loads	13	24	.542
Bennett	Dyn. T.	14	27	.519
Conner	19'	17	34	.500
Furlong	19'	13	26	.500
Price	PRD	13	26	.500
Staffino	PRD	7	14	.500
Hubbard	PRD	9	19	.474
Nuber	LTS	10	22	.455
Schaefer	LTS	10	22	.455
Black	PRD	9	21	.420
Neihouse	Dyn. T.	12	28	.419
Scher	Dyn. T.	9	22	.409

## WATCH THE "AIR SCOOP" FOR PLANS TO FORM A NACA RIFLE LEAGUE.

WANTED: Ride to Richmond on week ends. G. J. Hagood, 19-Foot Shop.

FOR SALE: Stearman airplane. G. J. Hagood, 19-Foot Shop.

FOR SALE: 1948 Cushman motor scooter. N.N. 2-4701.

FOR SALE: 1947 Cushman motor scooter with large tires. Call Hampton 3-2748.

WANTED: Magazines for hospital distribution. Mrs. McSmith, Hampton - 6661, or East Erection Shop.

WANTED: Passengers from Southampton to E.A. on 7:30 shift. Mary Bailey, 2391.

FOR SALE: 4 cubic foot deepfreeze unit, 1 Thor Gladiron automatic ironer. Hampton 3-2106.

# BENEFICIARY FORMS

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taken from their salary should fill in Form 2806-1 "Designation, Change, or Revocation of Beneficiary". If an employee has transferred from another agency, it will not be necessary to execute a new form unless he wishes to change his beneficiary.

If an employee is in doubt as to whether he has filed Form 2806-1, he may check with Personnel Files, telephone 2247. Forms may be obtained from either Personnel Files or the Induction Office.

# CLOSE EXAMS

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er), Labor Foreman WB-7, Machinist WB-10, Painter, Painter Group Leader, Pipefitter, Pipefitter Group Leader, Refrigeration Mechanic Group Leader, Rigger Structural Steel Worker WB-9, Stationary Boiler Fireman, Transportation Group Leader, and Truck Driver.

Applications for these examinations must be received by the NACA Board of U.S. Civil Service Examiners by the close of business on Thursday, August 26 in order to be accepted. For further information or for application forms call the Board of Examiners, telephone 2226.

# Air Scoop's Picture Album



Here's an old photo taken in 1933 when a hurricane swept in from sea and caused a large number of employees to turn out for emergency service in an effort to minimize damage to instruments, equipment, records and other laboratory property. The tireless group above was snapped during a lull in the storm. They are (from left): Walter Reiser, Chief of Maintenance Division; Ernest Johnson, Chief of Administrative and Technical Service; Dr. H. J. E. Reid, Director; Dr. E. Raymond Sharp, Director of the Cleveland Laboratory; and Elton W. Miller, former Executive Assistant now retired.

# TENPIN MEETING NEXT TUESDAY

With the bowling season only a month off, final plans are being made to form a Tenpin League. All team captains are asked to meet at the Symes-Eaton Community Center in Hampton on Tuesday, August 17 at 7:30 p.m. to decide on final rules and regulations for the coming season. For additional information contact Ike Edgett, Instrument Service Section.

WANTED: 3 passengers to vicinity of Michigan City, Indiana Aug. 20. Roy Flanigan, Aero Loads.

WANTED: Ride from 52nd and F St. to W.A. on 7:30 shift. Betty Jefferson, 4520.

FOR SALE: Dog house - 27 cubic feet volume. Wollner, 4418.

FOR SALE: 1937 Ford with rebuilt motor and transmission. Joe Siegfried, Inst. Construction.



Visting this week from the Cleveland Laboratory are William H. Swann, Carlisle Betz, Leroy E. Clapp, Scott H. Simpkinson, William W. Carlton, Joseph A. Walker, and Martin J. Saari.

Representing Washington Headquarters was M. D. Havron.

Also at the Lab this week was a former employee, John Boshar, now with the Civil Aeronautics Administration.

WANTED: Ride from East Morrison to W.A. on 7:30 shift. Ruth Miller, 4520.

FOR SALE: 40 feet of 30 inch copper screen. Gillis, PARO.

WANTED: Ride from Wythe to IRD on 7:30 shift. Thomkinson, IRD.

# Coming Events

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

- Aug. 13 - Physical Research Party
- Aug. 15 - Hydrodynamics Division Party
- Aug. 17 - 7:30 Bridge Club
- Aug. 18 - 4:30 Male Chorus rehearsal
- 7:30 Dancing Class
- Aug. 21 - Impact Basin Party

WANTED: Ride from Ferguson Park to E.A. on 7:30 shift. Moore, 2231.

FOR SALE: Late model Philco radio phonograph. Call Hampton 5793.

WANTED: 2 passengers to New Orleans Aug. 19. Matheny, Hampton 8912.

WANTED: Ride from 3515 Chesapeake Blvd. to E.A. on 7:30 shift. Virginia Boyd, 2339.

WANTED: Passengers from Southampton to E.A. on 7:30 shift. Mary Bailey, 2391.