

AIR SCOOP

NEW TAX LAW PRACTICALLY OFFERS BONUS FOR BABIES

Married folks with children will benefit more than any other wage earners by the new federal tax law which goes into effect on January 1. There will be approximately 12 million wage earners who will move out of the tax paying brackets in 1946 and they will all be men and women who are supporting large families, according to estimates made by the Internal Revenue division.

An example showing the saving is the P-2, CAF-7, or SP-8 who is making \$2980 per year. If he is married and has no children, his '45 tax is approximately \$411 and in '46 it will be \$327. If there is one child in his household the tax drops from \$311 to \$232. Two children bring it from \$211 to \$137. Three drop is from \$111 to \$42, and four or more entitle the father to be taxless.

A wife and five children eliminate taxes from the pay of a man making \$3500 or less. A \$3000 employee does not pay the tax if he has at least four kids; a \$2500 man is in the same boat if he has at least three, and a \$2000 bigshot is likewise with two.

Single people, of course, will benefit by a small cut in their tax. Marriage licenses are available at the office of the Clerk of Courts in the courthouse.

AIR SCOOP SPONSORS A CHRISTMAS SHARE-THE-RIDE POOL

Once again the Air Scoop Office will act as a Traveler's Aid for Laboratory employees who want to spend this Christmas at home.

EMPLOYEES MAY GET FOUR DAYS FOR CHRISTMAS, THREE FOR NEW YEAR'S

It has been learned through the Associated Press that President Truman has approved an adjustment of the work week to give Federal employees a four day holiday at Christmas and a three day ditto for New Year's. A semi-unofficial Washington source predicted that this might mean that Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve will both be holidays while both Saturday after Christmas and Saturday after New Year's Day will be regular work days. However, as Air Scoop went to press, approximately 48 hours after the AP announcement, no official word had been forthcoming from the White House as to how the adjustment will be administered. Since government agencies are run according to official memoranda and executive orders and the like, and not by press releases, however official they may seem to be, the day of rejoicing by federal employees must wait until some word has been received through official channels. (Ed. note Remember the AP V-E story?) As soon as official confirmation is received, Laboratory employees will indubitably be advised in the usual manner.

SHARE-THE-RIDE POOL (Continued)

Anyone planning a trip and who has vacancies in his car, is asked to send a note to the Air Scoop Office, Service Building, listing his name, destination, departure and return dates, and number of vacancies. The plan will be worked on a first-come-first serve basis. Those desiring rides are also asked to send their name and destination to the Air Scoop Office.

The Air Scoop has been mimeographed this week due to a shortage of lithographers and the pressure of work in the Mechanical Reproduction Unit. As soon as possible we will resume the regular publication process.

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SO LONG, FOLKS

It is with a tear in the eye that one must view the closing of the Industrial USO club rooms at 108 North King Street. It is hard to realize that the "home away from home" and the folks who helped to make it home are leaving. The entire community is bound to suffer from the loss, no matter how small the need has grown. The need in this community will never grow small however, for as long as American boys and girls have a bit of wanderlust, initiative, or curiosity in them, and as long as the governing bodies of the community persist in refraining to sponsor an adequate recreation program, there will be a need and it will always be a great one.

The presence and maintenance of the Industrial USO in Hampton were two things of which certain employees of this Laboratory may be justly proud. It would be unfair to certain other local interests to say that the Nacas did 100 percent of the volunteer work, but it would be equally as unfair to those Nacas to say that their contribution was much less. To Baxter Beaman and Lauretta Muir and to the other directors and assistants who have administered the funds and facilities, to those people who first saw the need and impressed the right people of it, to those who have served on the board of directors, and to those who have spent countless volunteer hours "just helping", the workers of this Laboratory, whether

LIFE AT THE LABORATORY

PRT certainly seems . . .

to be getting its share of visits from the stork. The last one to be visited was Carl Sandalh and the surprise bundle was a son, Carl Allen.

16-Foot Tunnel

doesn't seem to be doing so badly either. A newcomer arrived at the Julian Maynard household on Sunday, November 18. It was a "he" and has been named Julian Decatur, Jr.

Dan Cupid is still

sewing his oats rather freely. Two of the latest victims are Maxine Spaur, Structures Research, and Jim Staffino, O45. They were married on Saturday, November 24.

Wedding bells rang

On November 9 for Virginia Perry, 7 X 10-Foot Tunnel, and Gerald R. Warren of the U. S. Navy. The groom is attached to the U. S. S. Randolph and expects to receive his discharge within the near future. The big event took place in Elizabeth City, N. C.

With Christmas

now less than a month off and finding it a little too airy for an outdoor party, employees are no doubt wondering just where they can have their Christmas party. Bruce Amolei, who is playing Santa Claus for these befuddled groups, has the solution and will be glad to arrange for the old Collier Home, located in the West Area, to be used for such an affair. Amolei states that it is an ideal place now that the

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we came in every night of the week for an entire evening's entertainment or whether we just dropped in for a few minutes before the feature went off at the movies, offer an expression of our sincere appreciation and heartfelt gratitude for what you have done for us.

BASKETBALL PRACTICE

The NACA Basketball team will hold a practice Saturday at 10 a.m. in the Langley Field post gym. All interested candidates are asked to come out.

BRAIN BUSTERS TO HOLD MEET SUNDAY, DECEMBER 9.

The first in a series of model airplane meets to be held between now and next summer will be an indoor contest in the Erection Shop on Sunday, December 9 from noon to 5 p.m.

There will be three contests for each class of competition, indoor, rubber (outdoor), a tether gas, classes A and E combined, and class C gas free flight. A point system has been devised so that winners from first to fifth place in each contest will be awarded points to be totalled at the close of the third meet in each class. The contestant with the highest number of points will be sent to the National Model Airplane Championships meet in Chicago next summer with expenses paid. A trip will be awarded each Brain Buster member who is lucky enough to build up top points in any class. In case any winner places first in two events, the second place winner with the highest points of the two events will be given the trip.

All contests will be sanctioned by the Academy of Model Aeronautics and any record set will be recorded as official in the Washington records.

The next meets will be held on January 6 and 20. It is hoped that the lighter-than-air hanger may be obtained for these events.

The Brain Busters will hold their regular club meeting at the Syms-Eaton Community Center at 8 p.m. on December 9.

FOR SALE: 14-Foot sail boat. Two years old in excellent condition. Stewart Parker, West Machine Shop.

FOR SALE: Hohner accordion. Harry Murray, Stability Tunnel.

FORMER STARS TURN OUT FOR FIRST BASKETBALL SESSION

The four remaining members of last year's basketball all stars, two second team selections, and seven other promising prospects turned out last Saturday for the first practice of the NACA team, much to the pleasure of coaches Harry DeVoto and Frank Read.

The complete list of hopefuls includes Pat Cancro, Frank Liberatore, Billy Bates, Eddie Polhamus, Chuck Bennett, Bob Jaquis, Jim Dawson, Jim Lindel, Tony Proterra, Joe Vincke, Luke Liccini, Lawrence Perry, and Lowell Hasel. DeVoto, pleased at the first turnout, said that he was looking for at least ten more men to round out the complete squad as the team will undoubtedly play some of top notch amateur and service teams in this area and will need all the strength it can muster.

BASKETBALL LEAGUE HOLDS FIRST ORGANIZATION MEET

Nine teams were represented at the organization meeting of the Laboratory Men's Basketball League last Tuesday night at the Industrial USO. Last year's officers, chairman Pete Korycinski and Secretary Frank Read, are acting as temporary officers until elections can be held.

The teams represented expressed a wish to open the league this year to all interested organizations in the county in an attempt to get all basketball teams moving in the same circle. Plans are underway to contact local churches and other sponsoring organizations to see if they are interested in entering teams in one big community league.

Korycinski asked that all teams elect captains as soon as possible and send their complete team roster to Frank Read, East Engineering.

WANTED: Boy's junior bicycle. Virginia Tucker, East Computing Section, or Hampton - 4970

"NIGHT OF JANUARY 16" SET
FOR NIGHT OF DECEMBER 7

The Hampton Little Theater will present the second in a series of play-reading nights at the Hampton Court House on Friday, December 7, at 8 p.m. when co-producers Tiny Hutton and Seymour Bogdonoff present "The Night of January 16".

The play-reading nights were planned by the Little Theater Board of Directors in an effort to give more people an opportunity to try their luck on the stage. This plan does not necessitate the learning of lines but just reading; however, in order to familiarize the characters with the play, a practice reading will be held at the Sym-Eaton Community Center on Monday night, December 3 at 7:30 p.m. Anyone interested in reading a part is invited to attend.

"The Night of January 16" is a very unusual play in that it is the story of a murder trial and will be read in the realistic surroundings of the court house. Probably the most unusual feature is that the jury is actually picked from the audience. They hear all the evidence, retire for deliberation, and render a verdict. The author was thoughtful enough to provide two endings, depending on the finding of the jury. The public is cordially invited to attend. In case of a guilty verdict, Little Theater members will be able to attend the hanging by presenting the membership card at the door.

LABORATORY REACHES HALF-WAY
MARK IN VICTORY DRIVE

Latest figures on the Victory Bond Drive reveal that the Laboratory has reached \$25,447 of the \$45,000 goal, which is slightly passed the half-way mark. Full Scale Area leads the drive with total contributions of \$12,475; West Area is second with \$10,215.75; and the Administrative Area third with only \$2,756.25.

LIFE AT LAB

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The Induction

Aerodynamics Laboratory has donned sun glasses and blinkers these days. Reason: That sparkler on the third finger left hand of (Lois Alford). She'll soon be Mrs. Howard McCracken. (He's that little boy from Structures).

All was quiet

and peaceful on Monday morning, with everyone still envisioning roast turkey and cranberries and stuffing 'n stuff when BANG!!! Dot Harris, Induction Aerodynamics, breezed in with marriage in mind! Seems as if "he" is a gentleman from the deep "sooth"; Georgia, to be exact, by name of Tom Brumby.

TO HOLD BASKETBALL CLINIC
TUESDAY IN NEWPORT NEWS

The city recreation department of Newport News will sponsor a basketball clinic next Tuesday night at 7:30 in the new recreation building on Wickham Avenue between 28 and 30 Streets in Newport News.

Athletic director Harry Shoff has arranged for the officials of the district officials association to lead the demonstration and discussion on the rules. All coaches, officials, players, and other interested parties are invited to attend. An open form discussion will be held.

ACER'S UNDER 26 TO REMAIN-IN THAT
CATEGORY UNTIL MARCH 31, 1946

Langley has been officially informed that the War Department will continue all ACER'S Under 26 in that category until March 31, 1946. The War Department will make no commitment at present relative to further retention of these men after March 31, 1946.

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FOUND: A strand of pearls. Owner may have same by contacting Maxine Horne, 16-Foot Tunnel.