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BENEFICIARY FORMS SHOULD BE FILED BY LAB EMPLOYEES

All Laboratory employees who have retirement deductions taken from their salary should fill in Form 2806-1, "Designation, Change, or Revocation of Beneficiary." If an employee has been 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 uncertain as to whether or not he has filled out a form, he may call Personnel Records and check. The forms may be obtained from the Personnel Records Section, telephone 2345. Please return all completed forms to this section so that a record may be made for the personnel folder. The forms will then be mailed immediately to the Civil Service Commission.

WILL GIVE AWAY SPRING OUTFIT

Now that spring is here and people are beginning to put away their winter clothes and drag out their old summer wardrobe, which is completely out of style this year, the Activities Association has decided to help some lucky person off to a good start by giving away a summer outfit at the next Bingo Party on Thursday, April 15 at the Activities Building. If a lucky man wins the prize, his new outfit will consist of something like this - a summer suit, sport coat, trousers, hat, and shoes. If a woman wins, she may be a good budgeter and stretch the winnings to include a summer dress, play suit, bathing suit, hat, shoes, and maybe a purse.

Last time the jack-pot started off with an Elgin wrist watch and since no one won, a Never-

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SILAS WASHINGTON DIES OF ILLNESS; FRANK VESS IS KILLED IN ACCIDENT



Silas Lockly Washington

Silas Lockly Washington, 207 West Mallory Ave., Hampton, died Wednesday, March 30 in the Dixie Hospital. Born March 22, 1893 in Gloucester County, Silas entered on duty at the Laboratory on April 27, 1942 and was assigned to the East Sheetmetal Shop.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Maggie Washington, and one brother and one sister.



Frank Malcolm Vess

Frank Malcolm Vess, Impact Loads, was killed last Friday night when the motor scooter he was operating collided with a trailer on U.S. alternate Route 1 near Fredericksburg.

Born August 3, 1921 in Roanoke, Frank reported to duty at the Laboratory on January 27, 1944. He was assigned to the Sheetmetal Shop and on April 27, 1946 he enlisted in the U.S. Army. He received his discharge on November 7, 1947 and returned to the Laboratory on January 8, 1948.

SPRING DANCE SOON

Nothing sensational, nothing unusual just a very nice sociable dance. That's what the Spring Dance promises to be. Sit out on the porch being kissed by the balmy spring breezes, sip your drink (bring the makings for a julep), meet your friends and listen to those danceable strains. Sounds like a pleasant way to spend an evening particularly when the "main ballroom" is made mellow by Harry Semento's music.

Here's the data again, Spring Dance, April 30, 9 to 1 a.m., Activities Building, \$1.50 dual or solo, with music by Harry Semento and his orchestra.

HOUSES AVAILABLE

Laboratory officials announced this week that a few houses, located between Hampton and Buckroe on the East Hampton Highway, have been made available to Laboratory employees. The houses, which are handled by Drucker and Falk, have five rooms and a bath and rent for sixty dollars a month. The tenant must furnish his own refrigerator, stove, and utilities. Persons interested in renting one of the houses are asked to contact Townsend Johnson, Employment Office, telephone 2272.

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LIFE AT LABORATORY

Dan Cupid still seems.

to be doing rather well for himself. One of his latest victims is Gladys Glenn, East Library. She is engaged to James Barber of Newport News and wedding bells will ring in the early fall. This marks the fifth match for the Library and the sixth for Betty Gilman's entire section. Betty guarantees marriage within nine months to anyone wishing to transfer to the Library; however, a few seem to think that this is a debatable statement.

Another Laboratory maiden.

Audrey Cooper, Purchase, recently changed her name when she took her final vows with Charles Danley of Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. The wedding took place in the Bruton Parish, Williamsburg.

We have quite a few.

Laboratory employees on the sick list this week who would appreciate a little company. Included on the list are W. I. Dansey, West Machine Shop, in Riverside Hospital; I. B. Bloxom, Sr., 7 X 10, Kecoughtan; Carl M. Styles, 7 X 10, Kecoughtan; Maciel Hathaway, 19-Foot, Riverside; and Archie Smith, Maintenance, Kecoughtan.

Wedding bells rang.

last Saturday at the Post Chapel when Marjorie Lee Hopkins, Instrument Research, and Pfc. Winfred Lee Jones, Langley Field, tied the final knot.

Passing out cigars.

this week is Johnny Becker, Compressibility Research Division Chief. He became the father of a seven pound, six ounce daughter, Mary, on Friday, April 2. The mother, Rowena, is formerly of 8-Foot.

Gas Dynamics received quite a surprise.

this week when they received word that two of their fellow-workers, Mary Mourhess and Stan Neice, had gone and got themselves married.

Visiting the Laboratory.

and greeting old friends Monday was Alyce Rudeen Frickson, formerly of the Lab. Alyce is now making her home in Grand Haven, Michigan.

Another Laboratory maiden.

Barbara Burris, Technical Illustrators, joined the ranks of old married folks when she took her final vows Saturday, March 20 with Bill Matthews, formerly of Mechanical Reproduction.

Several of our cohorts.

from the Cleveland Laboratory and Washington Office visited the Laboratory this week. Representing the Washington Office were Dr. Hugh L. Dryden, Director of Aeronautical Research, and E. H. Chamberlin. From the Cleveland Lab were Joseph Walker, Scott Simpkinson, William H. Swann, J. P. Forgas, Frank Holt, C. F. Kinghorn, and L. Robert Howe. Marvin Schuldenfrei, formerly of 7 X 10 but now with the Bureau of Aeronautics, also visited here.

FOR SALE: Duncan Fhyfe sofa, maple finish bedroom suite. 3814 Chesapeake Blvd., after 5:30.

FOR SALE: Whizzer motor bike. Boone, Gas Dynamics project.

FOR RENT: Two rooms for light house keeping. Prefer working couple. Hampton 5984.

FOR SALE: 17-Foot boat with 4.2 h.p. champion out-board motor. Forehand, West Engineering.

Anybody can become angry—that is easy; but to be angry with the right person, and to the right degree, and at the right time, and for the right purpose, and in the right way—that is not so easy.—George Washington

BOWLING NEWS

DUCKPIN PLAYOFFS

The Duckpin Playoffs entered its second week of bowling with FGDA leading with six wins and no losses. High men's game and set went to Henry Block, G.R.I. with 125 and Carl Noce, G.R.I., with 331. High women's honors went to Ferne Driver, 16-Foot, with a 113 game and 311 set. G.R.I. rolled high team game and set with 525 and 1523, respectively.

STANDINGS

Team	W	L	Avg.
FGDA	6	0	1.000
16-Foot	5	1	.833
Tank	3	3	.500
Sound Lab	3	3	.500
PRD	2	4	.333
19-Foot	2	4	.333
G.R.I.	2	4	.333
Mech. Maint.	1	5	.167

TENPIN LEAGUE

With only three bowling nights left, the Headpins are steadily strengthening their lead. Raoul Bugg, Paris, was high man last week with a 224 game and 581 set. Dodie Price, Splinters, walked away with top honors for the women with a 163 game and 395 set. Headpins rolled two 822 games and took high set with 2399.

STANDINGS

Team	W	L	Avg.
Headpins	20	7	.741
East Model	19	11	.634
Structures	16	11	.594
Pinbusters	16	11	.594
Splinters	14	13	.519
Paris	14	13	.519
Aces	14	13	.519
Alleycats	13	14	.481
Low Turbulence	12	15	.445
Pinpoints	13	17	.434
Missilleaneous	11	16	.407
Missilot	11	16	.407
Fiscal Wrecks	7	23	.234

FOR RENT: Room at 97 East Ave. Call Hampton 7027.

FOR SALE: 1941 2 door Hudson sedan with radio and heater. Black, PRD, or call Hampton 7392.

FOR SALE: Log-log duplex slide rule. Lichtenstein, Stability Tunnel.

WANTED: Passengers to Atlanta or Birmingham on April 16. Bill Sleeman, 7 X 10, or Hampton 5483.

FOR RENT: Room in Boulevard Section. Call Newport News 4-1668.

WANTED: Passengers to Detroit by way of Washington and Pittsburgh on April 16. Hampton 3-2530.

WANTED: Ride for 2 to Philadelphia or Newark, N.J. on April 16. Presto Tuovila, 4577.

How To Play Golf ... or what fore?

Golf is a game in which you chase a white pill over hill and dal You try to hit this pill so that it rolls into a hole. To accomplish this, you need a whole bunch of clubs, some teas, a bag, money, the afternoon off and in some cases wher the player hasn't much strength, a caddy comes in handy. A caddy, by the way, is a strong young man who chases what you try to hit and carries on his back what you try to hit with. So much off equipment.

Find a golf club, or course, if you will. This affair is often a building surrounded by many acres of country and a bar. After you've gone thru the finding out where the first tee is and calling your wife to tell her that you're tied-up at work and won't be home for dinner.. then you are ready to start.



Saunter out to the place called First Tee, place the ball on a tee, take a firm grip on the club marked Driver, keep your feet apart, your eye on the ball. Swing the club over your shoulder (still gripping it) then swing down hard to drive the ball toward that pennant waving on a stick in the distance. Okay...fine. Now swing again...again...again. Throw club on the ground in the approved fashion. Mutter a few words such as "_____". Now try again...There, you've done it. Now step ahead three paces and try again.

Continue this all afternoon, if possible. Use all the clubs you have because you paid for them. If you become overly-tired, switch places with the caddy. You'll make more money as a caddy than you do as a golfer anyway.

Your last stop is a spot reded to as the Nineteenth Hole. Quite often it is just that...a hole lined with plush and chrome and filled with hot air. Here you may purchase a cool drink such as iced lemonade or another which resembles iced tea.



The Skychicks closed their season of play with a dinner at the Activities Building last Monday. Members of the team are (from left): Mary Campbell Paulson, Mary Alice Smith, Virginia Warren, Edna Lishman, Jean Scott, Margaret Farmer Ivy, Leona Hofmann, Edna Scott, Betty Ann Johnson, Becky Boykin, Maxine Horne, Lorean Cooper, and Nita Moore.

--Photo by Bill Taub

EICHELBERGER WINS SERIO SPEED AWARD

Charles Eichelberger, an Apprentice Model-maker in the Dynamic Model Shop, won the Serio speed trophy at the Consolidated Gas Bugs' monthly model airplane competition held last Sunday with a speed of 123 MPH to set a new Peninsula model record. The meet was held at the old prisoner-of-war camp at the James River overpass circle.

Eichelberger, the second-place winner last month, used a lower-powered motor than in previous races but was helped by a smoother performance and favorable winds.

FOR SALE: Graflex camera, postcard size with extras. Two 6.00 x 16 tires. Crane, Hampton 3-2535.

Tired of lack of something novel?
Soon you'll change your tune.
Bolt your doors and leave your hovel
Around the first of June.

Return home at your leisure to talk knowingly about birdies... approaches...par, and a host of other tricky names. You see, you are now a strange species known as a golfer.

--James M. Ludge

BINGO PARTY

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Lift electric iron will be added. If no one wins this time another prize will be added and so on until some lucky person walks away with an armful of gifts.

Other prizes included on the list are: Pop-up toaster, waffle iron, electric iron, bathroom scales, carving set, electric blanket, Waterman fountain pen and pencil set, electric fan, musical clock radio, and several other prizes.

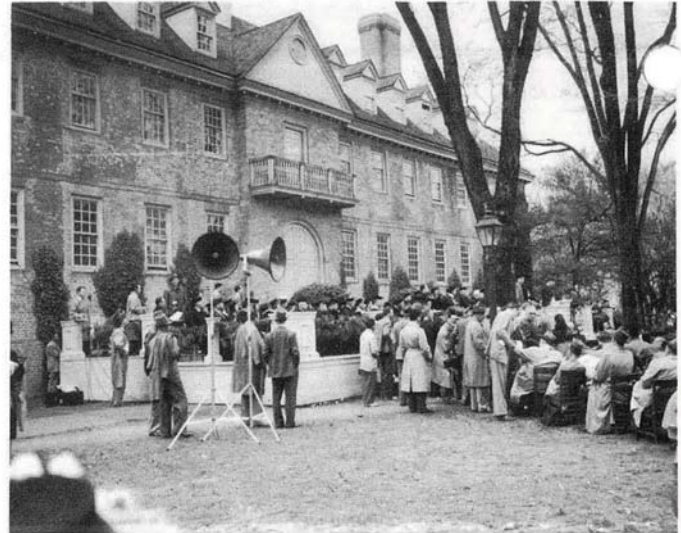
Coming Events

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

- April 9 - Tank Party
- April 12 - Payroll Party
- April 13 - 7:30 Bridge Club Volley Ball
- April 14 - Official Function
- April 16 - Maintenance Party
- April 17 - Free Flight Party

WANTED: Ride from Wythe or 1611 Chesapeake Ave. to E.A. on 8 shift. James Paddock, 2284.

FOR SALE: Waco cabin airplane with continental engine. Reasonable. 16-Foot runabout equipped with new jeep engine. Les Oborny, PRD, or Hampton 8497.



The above pictures were taken by Cal Worthington and Andy Sea, Photo Lab, at the Canadian-American Day exercises held last Friday in Williamsburg at the College of William and Mary. During the ceremony the honorary degree of doctor of law was awarded to President Harry S. Truman, the eighth President of the United States to receive the degree from the college; Viscount Alexander

of Tunis, governor general of Canada; Prime Minister W. L. Mackenzie King of Canada, and Governor William Mumford Tuck. Shown in the picture on the left are (from left): Viscount Alexander, President Truman, Dr. John E. Pomfret, President of the College, and Prime Minister King. The picture on the right shows the crowd as they gathered to see the notables.

BRAINBUSTERS MODEL CLUB NEWS

By Joe Blanco

In one of the shortest and most business like meetings held in a long time, the Brainbusters presented a number of resolutions.

Rules formulated by the "Flapping Wing" contest committee were presented to the club. All points were discussed with no changes offered. However, a vote was not taken because it was thought that club members should have more time to think over the rules; therefore, a vote on final acceptance will be held at the next meeting.

The delegates who were appointed to attend the meeting of the G.I. Club, with intentions of forming a dual meet, gave their report. It seems that the Langley Field Club favored a Control Line meet, which is not exactly in the Brainbusters' line, but further plans are being made and will be presented later.

One of the more important points discussed was the results of the meeting of the old Hampton Roads Model Association. Final distribution of funds in the treasury of the old club was the main point of the meeting. It was decided that the money should be turned over to the Brainbusters. Twenty-five dollars of the funds will be used by the Brainbusters for the prime purpose of advancing Junior model aviation among the younger set who are interested

VOLLEY BALL

STANDINGS

Team	W	L	Avg.
9-Inch	14	4	.778
Structures	11	4	.734
E. Engineering	10	5	.667
S&C-PARD	7	8	.467
24-Inch	7	8	.467
Gas Dynamics	5	10	.333
GA-PARD	0	15	.000

NOTICE: The person who ordered "Principles of Jet Propulsion" by M. J. Zucrows may now pick it up at the Training Office.

FOR SALE: High chair - \$10, Nursery Chair - \$4, Ivory enameled Crib - \$20, combination radio and phonograph - \$100. Hampton 4870.

FOR RENT: Furnished apartment at 312 Marshall St. Mrs. Bartlett, Hampton 6714.

FOR SALE: Single bed, box spring and mattress. \$45. High chair, \$8. Hampton 3-3007.

in model building and flying.

Plans were also discussed for the "Brainbusters Model Championship Meet" and a discussion and vote will be taken on the policy of the coming meet at the next meeting. It is hoped that as many club members as possible will attend the next meeting so a definite stand can be made.

A motion picture program is also in the planning stage and further developments will be published in the next issue of "Air Scoop."

ANNOUNCE STAFF FOR COMING PLAY

With curtain time only two weeks off, the production staffs are settling down to business so that everything will be in first class shape when the curtain goes up on the Hampton Little Theatre's spring production of "The State of the Union", which will be presented April 23 and 24 at the Hampton High School auditorium.

Members of the less glamorous but highly essential committees were announced this week by the producer, Mrs. George B. Colonna.

The task of Art and Set Director is being handled by Tech. Sgt. Bill Lewis of Langley Field.

Committee members are as follows: Properties - Ann Mellish, Margaret Ferguson, Dot Taylor, and Bernice Gay; Wardrobe - Mrs. William P. Hunt, Mrs. George C. Bentley, Mrs. A. F. Colonna, and Leonard Richardson; Furniture - Frances King and Frances Butler; Make-up - Sally Rodriguez, Marion Carpenter, and Ann Parkinson; Backstage crew - Jack Kinzler, John Sewell, Bobby Rogers, Charles Rodriguez, and Dare Blalock.

The play is being directed by Mrs. John B. Parkinson with Granville Derby, 8-Foot, acting as assistant director.

FOR SALE: 1935 Pontiac in good running condition. \$200. Call Hampton 6741.

FOR SALE: 1939 Oldsmobile club coupe. E. G. Popp, I.A.L.