



## PLAN NEW YEAR'S EVE CELEBRATION

Well, another year is almost over and it's time to start making plans to see the old year out and the new one in. Just where and how to spend New Year's Eve is a simple problem as the Activities Association has issued invitations to Laboratory employees to spend that evening at the Activities Building and give the New Year a hearty welcome.

Women are reminded to get out their best formal and have it cleaned as the celebration will be semi-formal. Music will be furnished by Jimmy Marshall and his orchestra and the gala affair will get underway at 10 p.m. and run until two in the morning.

The admission price will be five dollars a couple which includes set-ups, favors, noise makers, ice, etc.

Tickets will go on sale Monday in the East and West Cafeterias and employees are urged to buy them early as only 250 tickets will be sold. Reservations for tables may be made by calling Harry Hamilton or Mrs. Branham at 2378. Persons wishing to reserve a table together are urged to buy their tickets together and make reservations at the same time.

## COMPENSATION BENEFIT CLAIMS MAY BE FILED

The Bureau of Employees' Compensation has advised that a review will be made of all claims on record and that employees eligible for benefits under retroactive provisions of the recent amendments to the Federal Employees' Compensation Act will be notified.

Regulations and procedures

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## FOUR DIVISIONS 100 PER CENT IN CHEST CAMPAIGN

Four divisions had 100 per cent participation in the Laboratory's Community Chest campaign as of November 29 and nine boasted a participation of more than 80 per cent, lending encouragement to the hope that a Laboratory-wide participation of 90 per cent would be realized by the end of this week.

The four 100 per cent divisions represented 294 employees and they contributed \$1,216.30 for an average donation of \$4.14. The nine divisions with a participation of more than 80 per cent average 86 per cent, while the remaining five divisions with a participation of less than 80 per cent average 70 per cent. The Laboratory average as of November 29 was 80 per cent.

Aircraft Loads, whose campaign chairman was Jack See, had 118 employees on the rolls and they contributed \$450.50, for an average donation of \$3.81. Pat Chiarito was

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## AVIATION CITED AS TOOL OF PEACE

In his address before the American Society of Mechanical Engineers in New York City last Tuesday, Dr. Hugh L. Dryden, Director of Aeronautical Research for the NACA, pointed out that "The most challenging task of our time is not the development of nuclear power, interplanetary travel, or any other advance in the conquest of the physical world. It is rather the building of a peaceful world."

The engineer's peaceful world, he said, is a "beehive of activity, of turning wheels, of moving earth; not a lifeless landscape, a quiet country graveyard, or a deserted and crumbled city. His peaceful world has a high internal energy with individuals moving vigorously to and fro in a free and random

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## BINGO WILL FEATURE CHRISTMAS SPECIAL

A Christmas Special will be the main feature of the Bingo Party next Thursday at 8:30 p.m. at the Activities Building as this will be the last Bingo game before 1949 makes his debut. The Christmas Special will be the jack-pot game. Since this is the last game until 1950, numbers will be called until some one bingos.

The winner of the jack-pot will no doubt have his Christmas shopping worries solved as the list consists of an electric hair dryer, electric kitchen wall clock, Universal pressure cooker, Manning-Bowman twin automatic waffle iron, Proctor pop-up toaster, Proctor never-lift iron, and a Universal Coffeematic Percolator. In addition to the above prizes, one other gift will be added to the group.

Plans are underway to have a portable Singer sewing machine on hand for the grand prize.

In addition to the two big games fifteen other games will be played including a game for children. The regular prize list will consist of the usual gifts such as a Musical alarm radio, bathroom scales, pressure cooker, waffle iron, electric iron, kitchen wall clock, etc.

## DANCE PLANNED FOR TOMORROW

Laboratory socialites are reminded that the Activities Association will sponsor their last in a series of bi-weekly dances for 1949 on Saturday night at the Activities Building. This will be the last dance this year until the big New Year's celebration.

The dance will be informal and music will be furnished by Blair Blanton and his orchestra from 9 p.m. 'til 1 a.m.

Reservations for section parties may be made until noon today by calling Bruce Amole, 4563.

Admission will be \$1.00, stag or drag, and tickets will be available at the door.

## COMPENSATION BENEFIT

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for filing of claims under this Act are being prepared by the Bureau. There will be some delay, however, both in the issuance of these regulations and the review of claims.

Therefore, the Bureau has suggested that employees who believe that they are eligible for benefits should file a claim in letter form immediately.

Langley employees who feel that they are entitled to such benefits will be advised of the information to be included in these letters and assisted in their preparation by James Tingle of the Health Unit.

Retroactive benefits allowable are reviewed in the following paragraphs to aid employees in determining whether or not they may be eligible for compensation under the Act.

Persons who since January 1, 1940 have sustained total and permanent loss, or loss of use of an arm, hand, leg, foot or eye (including loss of binocular vision), or total and permanent loss or hearing of both ears, or disfigurement to head, face or neck in line of duty are advised to notify the Bureau.

In addition, employees who have sustained one or more of the following disabilities since October 14, 1948 should also file claims: loss or loss of use (total or partial) of leg, foot, toes, arm, hand, fingers, eye, or hearing.

Any person wishing to make application for such benefits should call the East Area Dispensary, phone 2243, and arrange for a time to discuss and prepare his letter to the Bureau of Employees' Compensation.

FOR SALE: 1936 DeSoto with 41 engine. \$65. Jenness, IRD.

WANTED: Passenger to fly to Dayton, Ohio Dec. 3. Fulks, 4522.

FOR SALE: Girl's 26-inch bicycle. Rosenfeld, N.N. 2-7281.

FOR SALE: Upright Eureka vacuum cleaner and accessories. \$20. Newport News 2-6226 on Sunday.

FOR RENT: 2 rooms for gentleman. Mrs. Dalin, 2008 Electric Ave.

FOR SALE: Dining room suite. Alford, Hampton 8896.

FOR SALE: Complete furnishings for 1 bedroom apartment. H-35357.

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## Life At The Laboratory

Another Laboratory. . . . .

romance has reached the engagement stage. The two love-birds who are making wedding plans are Barbara Wylie, Gas Dynamics, and Jack Bryant, Instrument Research. The big event will take place in the Spring.

Instrument Research. . . . .

is still receiving visits from the stork. One of the latest arrivals to the Division is seven pound, nine ounce Christina Rogers Curry who was delivered to the Truman Curry household on Monday, November 21.

We're a little. . . . .

late in hearing about this one but Will Taub, Technical Illustrating, became the father of a six pound, eleven ounce daughter, Eugenia Kathryn, on Friday, November 11.

Bringing Instrument Research's. . . . .

birth record to 40 for the year was six pound, four ounce Daniel Frank, who arrived at the Frank Blanchard household on Thanksgiving Day.

Wedding bells rang. . . . .

on Thanksgiving Day when Jane Collins, Editorial Office, took her final vows with Earl E. Coulson of Newport News at the First Congregational Christian Church in Newport News.

Hazel Hughes, East Library. . . . .

would like to thank her NACA co-workers who were so very kind and nice to her during her nineteen day stay at the Riverside Hospital. Hazel is resting up at the Red Lion Inn in Williamsburg and will be back on the job January 2.

Marian Primavera, of the Payroll clan, no less, And Johnny Tomassoni, will get married, they confess, The diamond, it is lovely, a most binding type of ring, Together they are altar bound, sometime in early Spring.



More news from Dan Cupid. . . . .

Horace N. Davidson, Stability and Control, took his final vows with Lois M. Conrade in Glenside, Pennsylvania on Friday, November 11.

Joining the ranks. . . . .

of old married folks are Margaret Spear, 7 X 10, and Frank Diedrich, Maneuver Loads. They took their final vows on Saturday, November 26 at the Baker Village Methodist Church in Columbus, Georgia. Barbara Weigel, IAL, served as mistress-of-ceremonies, Bernard Budiansky, Structures, was best man, and Charles Libove, Structures, assisted with the wedding music.

The Apprentice Club. . . . .

will meet Monday, December 5 at 8 p.m. in the Activities Building. All members are urged to attend this business meeting and all interested Apprentices are invited.

All employees . . . . .

from Iowa are reminded of the Iowa party on Sunday, December 11 from 2 'til 6 p.m. at the Activities Building. Those planning to attend are asked to notify Paul Marchal, 4521, or Dale Burrows, 2343 by Monday.

FOR RENT: Room with steam heat. Call Hampton 6682. FOR RENT: Bedroom with kitchen privilege. Mrs. Diggs, H-33402.

# BOWLING NEWS

## TENPIN LEAGUE

LTS-I still leads the Monday League but the three-way tie in the Tuesday League was broken with Headpins taking over the number one slot with 21 wins and 9 losses. Cothren leads with a 158 high average and Peg McNulty is high for the women with 138.

### MONDAY LEAGUE

Team	W	L	Avg.
LTS-I	20	10	.667
Flight	17	13	.567
Cherokees	16	14	.533
Equip. Eng.	16	14	.533
West Eng.	16	14	.533
Structures	15	15	.500
Misselot	15	15	.500
Pinbusters	12	18	.400
Const. Eng.	12	18	.400
LTS-II	11	19	.367

### TUESDAY LEAGUE

Team	W	L	Avg.
Headpins	21	9	.700
Alleycats	20	10	.667
Repro's	20	10	.667
Miscellaneous	18	12	.600
Tyro's	15	15	.500
16 Foots	14	16	.467
Elec. Eng.	14	16	.467
7 X 10 Foots	13	17	.433
11" Tunnel	8	22	.267
Rockets	7	23	.233

### MONDAY DUCKPIN LEAGUE

Round I ends last week with Free Flight Fliers taking first place with 23 wins and 7 losses and PRD coming in second with 18 wins and 9 losses. Leading the high average category were Red Neihouse with 110.3 and Mary Blanche Webb with 98.

### STANDINGS FOR ROUND I

Team	W	L	Avg.
Free Flight Fliers	23	7	.767
PRD	18	9	.667
Lucky Strikers	17	10	.630
Strike Sures	16	11	.593
Gutter Balls	14	13	.519
Stock Section	15	15	.500
Demons	12	15	.444
Rocketeers	12	15	.444
Scotch 'n Tapers	12	15	.444
Mech. Maint. #1	11	16	.407
Gas Dynamics	9	15	.375
Gutter Rats	9	18	.333
Mech. Maint. #2	9	18	.333

### IRD LEAGUE

The Unholy Rollers and Wrecks are tied for first place in the IRD League with 8 wins and 1 loss.

### STANDINGS

Team	W	L	Avg.
Unholy Rollers	8	1	.889
Wrecks	8	1	.889
Pinhookers	7	2	.778
Rebels	6	3	.666
Gremlins	5	4	.555
Gutter Rats	4	5	.444
Beels	3	6	.333
Modangoodnics	2	7	.222
Bloodhounds	1	8	.111
Aristocrats	1	8	.111

# VOLLEY BALL

24-Inch won six games this week to take a strong hold onto the number three position. PRD and East Engineering are still fighting it out for fifth place. 9-Inch has a mathematical chance of another first this year but there is little doubt that they will be able to match Flight Pilots' record of 40 wins and 2 losses.

### STANDINGS

Team	W	L	Avg.
Flight Pilots	40	2	.952
9-Inch	36	6	.857
24-Inch	27	15	.643
RMA	22	20	.524
PRD	18	24	.429
E. Engineering	18	24	.429
PARD	13	29	.310
Flight Research	10	32	.238
Structures	8	40	.167

# 19 APPRENTICES ON HONOR ROLL

Nineteen apprentices made the Apprentice School honor roll for the mid-semester term. George Lamb, W. Machine Shop, made the highest grade with 95½. The honor students are listed below according to their year of apprenticeship.

Fifth year - Thomas Ezell, W. Engineering; Dick Schock, Instrument Construction; John Dupere, East Machine; and Jack Smith, Instrument Construction.

Fourth year - George Lamb, Bob Gungle, West Engineering; and Albert Stacey, West Sheetmetal.

Third year - Allen Baldwin, Instrument Construction; William Van Dyke, West Machine; and Jesse Phillips, Instrument Construction.

Second year - Thomas Collier, IRD; Russell Clickner, West Model; Kenneth Gale, Electrical; Ward Hodge, West Machine; Carl Roberts, Electrical Instrument Construction; Garland Wilson, Instrument Service; and John Hudson, Elec. Instrument Construction.

First year - Aubrey Cross, IRD; and Frank Reaves, W. Model. At press time the grades for the apprentices who entered on duty in September had not been received.

WANTED: Ride or riding combination from Hilton Homes to E.A. on 8 shift. Amick, 2356.

WANTED: Passengers to Columbia, Greenville, or Spartanburg on Dec. 16. Adair, 2266.

FOR SALE: Columbia record player. Wollner, 4413.

WANTED: 2 passengers to Louisiana Dec. 15. Mitcham, 4427.

# AVIATION CITED

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manner, but capable of being marshaled and directed to produce power for useful ends and of a magnitude far greater than that associated with any single individual." In this type of world, he pointed out, the aeronautical scientist and his fellow workers can contribute invaluable tools and join in using them for the welfare of mankind.

Dr. Dryden stated further, "The people of the world long for an environment in which aeronautics can be an instrument of peace. But, so long as there are human disturbers of the peace, the most important use of the airplane is as an instrument for war, rather than as an instrument of peace. Having tried the road of disarmament once, many believe that it is safer for our nation to try the road of strength, especially to develop and maintain air power. The lesson of World War II is clear - we must not permit ourselves to become a second best in air power if we wish to survive as a free people.

"Air power is much more than a collection of airplanes in being which are becoming more obsolete every minute. We are today facing a real danger in a time of shrinking budgets that this growing obsolescence will be overlooked, that the seed corn of research and development funds intended for airplanes of the future will be consumed. We face the necessity of providing new research facilities and of conducting new and intensive research caused by the development of the jet engine and the attainment of supersonic flight. Unfortunately, the speed of sound cannot be abolished by executive decision. The maintenance of technologic leadership is the only hope of obtaining air power sufficient to serve as an instrument for peace.

FOR RENT: Large bedroom. 268 Victoria Ave., Hampton 3-3408.

FOR RENT: 3 room furnished apartment. 133 Wine St., Hampton 4179.

WANTED: 2 wheel cargo trailer. Flanigan, Aero Loads.

FOR SALE: Remington pump 2520 rifle and ammunition - 430. E. N. Bandenbree, N.N. 4-3488.

FOR SALE: High chair, 4 burner gas stove, electric ironer, umbrella. Hampton 3-2106.



The above picture was taken at the reception given in honor of Miss Ruth Scott and Miss Margaret Muller, of the Washington Headquarters, who will retire after 32 years of service with the Committee. Shown above are

(from left): Mrs. Lucy Bainbridge, Miss Ruth Belle, Mrs. Stewart Winborne, Miss Scott, Dr. H. J. E. Reid, Miss Muller, Mrs. Elizabeth Gilman, and Mrs. Indie Atkins.  
—Photo by Bill Taub

## SKYHAWKS LOSE OPENING GAME

The NACA Skyhawks opened their season last Monday night with what they hope will be their toughest game of the season. The much unconditioned Skyhawks came out on the short end of a 90-57 tangle with the Norfolk Navy Flyers. Taking high point honors were Bob Thompson with 14, Ken Merten with 10, and Wally Luchuk and Bill Bates with 8 each.

Coach Spoltore has been giving the Hawks a work out every night this week in preparation for the battle with the Newport News Apprentice School in Newport News on Wednesday, December 7. This should be a highly contested game as the Apprentice boys defeated the NACA squad twice last year in overtime periods.

On December 10 the Hawks will play Little Creek there and will play their first game on home grounds when they meet Fort Eustis on December 12.

Tickets which are good for ten admissions to the Activities Building are on sale for \$3.50 and may be purchased from the "Air Scoop" Office, Nick Jervas, West Engineering, or the General Assembly members.

FOR SALE: Motorola portable radio, silvertone portable radio, and small craft compass. McLaughlin, 4483.

## CHEST DRIVE

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drive chairman for Structures, whose staff of 67 gave \$398.75 for a per capita donation of \$5.95. Hydrodynamics, chaired by David Goldenbaum, gave \$194.25, being a per capita contribution of \$3.24 for the staff of 60. The other 100 per center, reported earlier in the campaign, was Fiscal, whose 49 employees gave \$172.80 for an average of \$3.51. William J. Whelan was Fiscal drive chairman.

The campaign total as of November 29 was \$7,173.59 and indications were that last year's figure of \$7,260 would be slightly exceeded. A higher percentage of the Laboratory contributed this year but the average contribution as of November 29 of \$2.81 was 22 cents less than the final average of 1948.

One hundred per cent units reported since last week's "Air Scoop" include: Gas Dynamics Computers, 11-inch Hypersonic, 24-inch Tunnel, Compressibility Division Office, Mechanical Reproduction, East Photo Lab, Office of Research Chief, 7 X 10 Tunnels branch units, Report Distribution and Storage, Full Scale Tunnel, Full Scale Analysis, Free Flight, Stenographic and Clerical.

Divisions with more than 80 per cent participation included Flight, Personnel, Full Scale, Staff Offices and Independent Units, General Services, PFD, Stability, Compressibility, and IRD.

## COMING EVENTS

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

- Dec. 3 - West Sheetmetal Association Dance
- Dec. 5 - Apprentice Club Basketball Practice Volley Ball
- Dec. 6 - Bridge Club Ping Pong Bridge Class 19-Foot Basketball Practice
- Dec. 7 - Male Chorus Supervisor's Club
- Dec. 8 - Bingo Party
- Dec. 9 - West Machine Shop
- Dec. 10 - Engineering Division Party
- Dec. 11 - Iowa State Party

FOR RENT: 2 bedrooms with kitchen privileges. Mrs. Halliday, 114 Cherry Ave., Newport News 2-0573.

FOR SALE: Oil cooking stove and oil heater. Hampton 5745.

FOR RENT: 2 room furnished apartment. 411 Chesapeake Ave., N.N. 2-6228.

FOR SALE: Keystone movie projector C16-8 mm. \$20. Hampton 7597.

WANTED: Ride from 51st St. to W.A. on 7:30 shift. Allison, 4532.