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TRAINING **OFFERS** THREE **COURSES**

RUSSIAN

Since some members of the staff have indicated a desire to study Russian, a course in Technical Russian may be offered through the University of Virginia Extension Program. Such a course would probably be taught by Mr. Boris Rosenfeld of Construction Drafting. No prerequisites are necessary for the course.

Empolyees interested in enrolling in this course may register at the Training Division. The operation of this course will be dependent upon the registration and final approval of the University of Virginia. If conducted, this course will offer college credit and the regular \$15.00 fee will be charged. For additional information, call the Training Division, phone 300.

MUSIC APPRECIATION

A Music Appreciation course is being offered through the University of Virginia Extension program. Classes will be held at the Hampton High School from 7:00 FIED or other official data or p.m. to 9:00 p.m. one night per week, either on Monday or Wednesday depending upon the desire of the group.

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PERSONAL USE OF OFFICIAL DATA

The Laboratory was advised last week by Edward Klauber, Acting Director of the Office of War Information, of the principles relative to the problem of personal use of official data, as stated by the Security Advisory Board.

All information received or compiled by the officers, employees and offices of the Federal Government for the use of the Government is official government data and is the property of the United States. "Official government data" as used in this memorandum includes but is not limited to material classified as "RE-STRICTED, " "CONFIDENTIAL." "SECRET," and "TOP SECRET" and any other information concerning the national defense. No Federal officer or employee, by virtue of his position, has any property right to this type of information even though he may have helped compile it.

Official government data is intended soley for the performance of official business of the Government. Copying or removal of CLASSIdocuments from the files of the Government or removal of such material or of files from their accustomed places in Thos course will be taught governmental offices for ofor for culture only, at a designated representative.

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SLADEK WINS CHAMPIONSHIP

Dick Sladek, Dynamic Model Shop, won the championship trophy at the All American Brainbusters model championships held last Sunday. Sladek, along with the other winners, was presented his award at the Victory banquet held at the Hampton Armory following the meet.

Starr Truscott, Chief of Hydrodynamics, acted as master of ceremonies at the banquet, and Mel Gough, Chief of Flight Research, was the principal speaker. Gough addressed the group as one test pilot talking to a group of other test pilots. He told the group that in the assembled modelmakers, he saw the future engineers, designers, test pilots, and mechanics of aviation.

Frank Parmenter, president of the Brainbusters, expressed his appreciation to all those who helped make the meet a success. He said that he was highly pleased with the cooperation of everyone, from those who donated trophies to those who just came out to watch.

DEADLINE EXTENDED FOR CARTOON CONTEST

The deadline for entries in the Bulletin cartoon contest has been extended to October 14. Several persons have sent in cartoons and it is hoped that by extending the time limit, more persons will have time to submit entries.



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SEMI-ANNUAL EFFICIENCY RATING DUE

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sentimental value. Reward. York or Washington on or a-Return to Margaret Bame, bout October 20. Contack L. Gavurin, PRD, phone 332.

PROCEDURE PERSONAL

A new procedure has been started which provides a more accurate check on property borrowed from sections of the Laboratory. A loan slip (form L.F. 72) is made out in triplicate and copies kept by the person borrowing, section borrowing, section borrowed from, and the Property Office.

This will enable the Laboratory to keep accurate current records and any employee will be able to determine at any time whatever property he is charged with. These records will be practicularly valuable when an employee leaves the Laboratory

Each employee who has For the interim efficiency reason to borrow property at

UNIFORMS FOR WOMEN ON SALE AT CAFETERIA

All women workers in shops

The suits are two pieced The price is \$4.

Any women desiring to see and development needs of the preference for the new effi- the suits may try them on at



SPOONER, MARTINA PACE 19-FOOT WIN

The softball finals finally came to a close last Friday when the 19-Foot Tunnel downed Structures, 1-0, to take the series, three games to one.

Stan Spooner, lanky first baseman, came through with a mighty homerun smash, deep in center field, in the fourth inning. The winners got two other hits off Si Diskin, but scored no more.

Al Martina was in top form for 19-Foot. He allowed two hits.

Pat Cancro, at shortstop, and Bill Koven, in short field, were the highlights of the winners' defense. Chet Furlong made the most sensational catch of the afternoon when he back-pedaled all over right field to take George seventh inning.

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BUSINESS COURSES

Hampton High School in cooperation with the Virginia State Department of Trade and Industrial Education has announced courses in Typing, Shorthand, and Business English. Interested applicants may register in Room 105 at Hampton High School on Monday, October 9, at 7:00 p.m. Classes will probably be held on Monday and Wednesday between the hours of 7:00 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. The level of training will be based on data obtained from the registration and classes will be established in as many levels as registration permits.

A fee of \$5.00 must be paid at the time of registration, and upon satisfactory completion of the course and with an attendance record of this one from Boughan to Dobat least 80 percent, a cer- rowski. Kruszewski took Boutificate will be issued and ghan's pass for the extaa \$2.00 of the fee will be re-point. funded. Additional information may be obtained by Daum accounted for both of the



The members of the 19-Foot Tunnel team that ended the Structures reign over the men's softball league are: front row left to right, Owen Deters, catcher; Chet Furlong, outfield and third base; Captain Pat Cancro, shortstop; Kit Carson, scorekeeper; Bill Koven, short field; and Jerry Teplitz, second base; back row, Al Martina, pitcher; Walter Doneson, third base; Ray Salmi, outfield; Stan Spooner, first base; Sid Zender's hard smash in the Alexander, outfield; and Bob Neely, outfield. Absent when the picture was taken were Bud Mulac, Bill Conner, and Jerry Kayten.

STRUCTURES, 8-F00T FLIGHT.

Structures, 19; Stability, 0 Flight, 12; 16-Foot, 0 8-Foot, 18; IRD, 0 PRD, 7; Engineering, 0 AWT, 12; West Shops, 7 Loads, 19; PRT, 19

Structures, Flight, and 8-Foot stretched their victories to two, and AWT opened their season with a win over Shops to pace the second week's games. PRD provided the real upset of the week by taking the long end of a 7-0 count over the last season champions, Engineering.

A pass from Boughan to Ochiltree drew first blood for Structures in the third quarter. Another pass, this time from Dobrowski to Houbolt, provided the second touchdown late in the same period. The final score was made on a pass,

The throwing arm of Fred calling the Training Division. touchdowns that Flight scored

against 16-Foot. In the second quarter, Thompson took a pass from Daum on the forty and ran the remaining distance to the goal line. The other score was made in the third period when Daum pitched one to Forsythe in the end zone.

The passing combination tf Luoma to Vincke accounted for two of 8-Foot's three touchdowns against IRD. On the opening play of the game, the combination clicked on a "sleeper" that was good for 80 yards and a touchdown. Midway in hhe third quarter, the same pair tallied on a 60 yard play. Donaldson caught another of Iuoma'a passes for the final tally.

Physical Research took a 7-0 lead late in the first period when Oborny took a psss from McNulty in the end zone. Oborny placekicked the point after touchdown. They managed to hold Engineering scoreless. throughout the game.

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Starnes Act Protects Veterans

the Starnes Act recently passed by Congress which gives veterans preference in federal employment.

SEC. 6. Preference eligibles shall not be subject to the provisions of section 9 of the Civil Service Act concerning two or more members of a family in the service, or to the provisions of section 2 of that Act concerning apportionment of appointments in the Government departments in the District of Columbia among the several States and Territories according to population, but may be required to furnish evidence of residence and domicile.

SEC. 7. The names of preference eligibles shall be entered on the appropriate registers or lists of eligibles in accordance with their respective augmented ratings, and the name of a preference eligible shall be entered ahead of all others having the same rating: Provided, That except for positions in the professional and scientific services for which the entrance salary is over \$3,000 per annum, the names of all qualified preference eligibles, entitled to ten points in addition to their earned ratings shall be placed at the top of the appropriate Civil-Service register or employment list, in accordance with their respective augmented ratings.

SEC. 8. When, in accordance with civil-service laws and rules, a nominating or appointing officer shall request certification of eligibles for appointment purposes, the Civil Service Commission shall certify, from the top of the appropriate register of eligibles, a number of names sufficient to permit the nominating or appointing officer to consider at least three names in connection with each vacancy. The nominating or appointing officer shall make selection for each vacancy from not more than the highest three names available for appointment on

This is the second part of such certification, unless objection shall be made, and sustained by the Commission, to one or more of the persons certified, for any proper and adequate reason, as may be prescribed in the rules promulgated by the Civil Service Commission: Provided, That an appointing officer who passes over a veteran eligible and selects a nonveteran shall file with the Civil Service Commission his reasons in writing for so doing, which by such appointing officer, and a copy thereof shall be sent to the veteran eligible or to his designated representative upon request therefor: Provided, further, That if, upon certification, reasons Service Commission for passing over his name shall three times have been given by an appointing officer, certification of his name for appointment may thereafter be discontinued, prior notice of which shall be sent to the veteran eligible. Whenever in the Postal Service two or more substitutes are appointed on the same day, they shall be promoted to the regular force in the order in which their names appeared on the civilservice register from which they were originally appointed, whenever there are substitutes of the required sex who are eligible and will accept. unless such vacancies are filled by transfer or reinstatement.

STAFF CAN SEE **FILMS**

Through the cooperation of the Air Technical Service Command - NACA Liaison Office many excellent training films are made available for use at the Laboratory, and in most cases have been shown in the shops of the Laboratory during lunch periods. In addition to these films, however, the Army has made available certain other films of a series known as "Why We Fight." These films shall become a part of the such as "The Battle of Russia," record of such veteran eligi- "Divide and Conquer," etc., run ble, and shall be made avail- from an hour to one hour and able upon request to the vet- twenty minutes and when viewed eran or his designated rep- by certain members of the staff resentative; the Civil Service at meetings after hours have Commission is directed to de- received such enthusiastic actermine the sufficiency of claim that it has been decided such submitted reasons and, if to arrange for special showings found insufficient, shall re- after hours of work for any quire such appointing officer group of employees who indicate to submit more detailed infor- an interest in seeing them. mation in support thereof; the Many of the scenes used in Civil Service Commission as to these pictures were filmed the sufficiency or insuffici- during actual combat and are ency of such reasons shall be presented in a clear and forcetransmitted to and considered ful manner, According to information received from the Training Office, these films may be shown in the Projection Room after hours of work for any group of Laboratory employees.

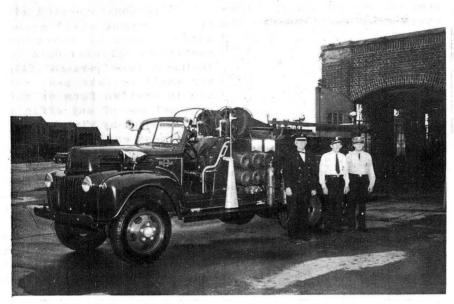
Persons interested in viewdeemed sufficient by the Civil ing these films are requested to make their desires known to their supervisor in order that he may contact the Training Division, Phone 300, and arrange for their inclusion at a special showing.

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SEC. 9. In the unclassified Federal, and District of Columbia, civil service, and in all other positions and employment hereinbefore rereferred to in (c) of section 2 hereof, the nominating or appointing officer or employing official shall make selection from the qualified applicants in accordance with the provisions of this Act.

WANTED: Pair of ladies' white boots with heels, Will pay good price.

OCTOBER 8-14 IS FIRE PREVENTION WEEK



Pictured by the NACA crash truck are Chief Charles J. Saterfield and NACA firemen David M. Beales and Harry Selby.

Life At The Laboratory

ROMANCES: Robert McKann, Tank, and Betty Ann Hewitt, Park City, Utah, were married Saturday, September 30, in Williamsburg. The bride was given in marriage by Henry Suydam, Tank.. Texie Belle Felts, Full Scale Tunnel, is sporting something new on her third finger left hand. She is engaged to Jules Miller, Office of Chief of Research ... Connie Hobbs, 10-Foot Pressure Tunnel, is engaged to Lt. Charles Hutchens, now with the Army in England.... Howard Johnson, Flight Research, was married Thursday, September 28, to Mary Catherine Granthan.... Harriet Eisenberg and Seymour Bagdanoff, both of FGDA, tied the final knot on Sunday, October 1.... Margaret Farmer surprised the AWT personnel last Wenbesday when she walked in with a new diamond. She is engaged to Reese Ivey, Physical Research.

FROM THE WAR FRONT: Elizabeth Scott, Office of Chief of Adminstrative Department, had the surprise of her life Tuesday, October 3, when her husband, Sergeant Edward Scott, came home after thirty-two months in New Guinea...Loualice Georges. Stability Tunnel, got a thrill last week when she heard her fiance, Lt. Jim Crain, on a broadcast from Australia. HEIR MAIL: Harvey Forest, East Model, is the father of a daughter, Linda Lou, born September 23.

HAMPTON INSTITUTE

Culture Pattern; " December 15, Columbia University. W. E. B. DuBois, dean of Ammusic education; March 15, Institute.

ANNOUNCES LECTURES.

Hampton Institute announ- Ralph Bates, lecturer on culces the following lectures: tural and political movements October 13, J. S. Plant, in Europe; April 13, G. S. author of "Personality and the Counts, professor of education,

Lectures will be delivered erican Negro Scholars; Jan- in Ogden Hall at 8:15 p.m. uary 12, M. F. A. Montagu, Season tickets are \$1.50 each anthropologist; February 2, and may be obtained through Lilla B. Pitts, authority on Comptroller's Office. Hampton

The Executive Safety Committee is following the example set by the President and the 48 governors in proclaiming October 8-14 as fire Prevention Week. At this time. an extensive nationwide educational effort will be made to secure public interest and cooperation in reducing the loss of life and destruction of property by fire.

Here at the Laboratory, a general clean-up program in all sections will highlight the week's activities. It is recognized that three elements must be present before we can have a fire: burnable material, heat to supply ignition, and oxygen for the support of the flame. Now is the time for everyone to make certain that these three do not come together at any place at any time.

Each Section Head, assisted by his Safety Coordinator, is requested to make a detailed survey of the premises for which he is responsible for the purpose of eliminating all fire breeding accumulation of rubbish and unusable material.

Now is the time to clean out that loose paper under and behind the file cabinets; move those crates away from the hose rack; take that ladder from in front of the fire extinguisher; throw out the portable extension cord with the green cotton insulation; and insist on shades and protecting shields on all of your dropcords.

Charles J. Satterfield of the Fire Protection Service, telephone 277, will complete arrangements for handling all such accumulations and will otherwise assist in the program.



POSITION CLASSIFICATION

This is the first of two fications can have no bearing

the Classification Act of 1923, therindicate that he is in line Because of the varying stand- organizational needs and limiards of agencies, the need for tations. uniform control was obvious to that positions subject thereto the Congressional Joint Committee on Reclassification of sorvices namely: D. CAE S.D. Salaries which recommended the and CU - now CPC (Professional enactment of the law in 1923. and Scientific; Clerical, This act has had six amend- and Scientific; ments, three of which have raised the pay rates. All jobs in the U.S. Civil Service are covered by this law unles ex-

made mandatory the use of an a series of classes. A class inflexible compensation sche- constitutes a specific grade dule and the determination of level and the Classification salary levels on the basis of Act gave general standards Continued from page the duties and responsibilities which define these grade levels. involved in individual posi- These standards were based on tions. Thus, salaries are facts obtained from surveys of two touchdown passes to assist based on specific work assignthe Federal Government. The first toss was good for ments and the minimum qualifications that such assignments fication Program is to estab-zone. Shops then came back require for the satisfactory lish and maintain uniform and with a touchdown pass from performance thereof. If an equitable salary administration Muhly to Little which was alemployee has education or exthroughout the entire Federal most broken up by Polhamus of perience or has exhibited abil-ities, skills, and aptitudes

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articles dealing with Federal upon his present salary. How-Position Classification and ever, they may indicate the the Government shall accumwage administration and how our employee's capacity to perform salaries are determined. duties and responsibilities of Prior to the enactment of a nigher caliber. It may furthere were no approved official for consideration for assignstandards by which Federal ment to a more responsible or officials could determine uni- more complex job or one of form and equitable pay scales broader scope. Such an assignfor employees in the civil ment would justify a salary service. Salary rates were commensurate with the employee's left to the discretion of the abilities. An adjustment of a legitimate exception can be heads of the various agencies. this nature depends upon the

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IN OTHER WORDS NO SMOKING

SECURITY

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No person connected with ulate copies of documents containing official data for inclusion in a "personal file" nor shall he take away with him in written form or make personal use of any official data acquired by virtue of his government employment. An. employee who may believe that entitled to appeal to the Head of the agency or his representative for such an excep-

Several sections of the U. S. Criminal Code prohibit the improper use of official files, documents and records by government employees. Every Federal official or employee should consider carefully the spirit of the law in the event of any question as to his personal use of information from governmental files.

John Knemeyer clicked with The purpose of the Classi- 25 yards to Bates in the end AWT. Muhly passed to Butler The next article will deal for the point and Shops led at winning touchdown on a pass from Knemeyer to Scriven in the final period.

> The PRT-Loads game was perhaps the most exciting of the afternoon. The lead changed hands several times and Nichols and MacLaughlin of PRT provided a real Frank Merriwell finish with a touchdown pass with one second left to play.

> Red Forster 29 gas model in vicinity of Queen St. and LaSalle Ave. Rewaed. If found, contact Reid Hull, East Engineering.