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ENGINEERS TURN LIFESAVERS AND SAVE TWO LIVES

Through the quick action of Claude Hart and Charlie Kelly, Full Scale Tunnel, James E. Dorsey, Instructor in music at the Hampton Institute, and his small son, James E. Dorsey, Jr., were saved from near-drowning when their cance capsized in Hampton Roads Saturday evening, August 12.

Hart and Kelly were just entering the mouth of the Roads in a sailboat when they saw the cance overturn. Hart swam about 75 yards to rescue the two drowning persons while Kelly maneuvered the boat up to the scene of the accident. After a struggle with the man and boy, both were finally dragged aboard the sailboat and taken to the naval facility at Hampton Institute where artificial respiration was administered.

Bunny Klawans, who arrived at the scene of the accident soon after the rescue, retrieved and towed the overturned cance into the naval facility.

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PLAN POST-SEASON SOFTBALL LEAGUE

Any men's teams interested in playing in a post-season softball league are asked to contact the Bulletin Office, 376. Plans are being made for a six team league to extend through September. Games will be played on a diamond east of the traffic circle on Langley Field road.

STAFF ASKED TO RETURN ENVELOPES

A change in the status of franked Government envelopes has made necessary a tightening up of the use of envelopes bearing the frank. By frank is meant the printing in the upper right-hand corner of official envelopes which reads, "Official business - penalty for private use to avoid bayment of postage, \$300."

The new regulations require payment by the Committee for the frank on all franked envelopes used as though the frank were a postage stamp whether used for interoffice correspondence, as file containers, or for mail. In order to avoid unnecessary expense to the Committee, all sections having in their possession franked envelopes are requested to return them to the Duplicating Section and obtain unfranked envelopes. This must not be delayed because the new regulations are already in effect. The use of franked envelopes for any except official mailing purposes, is a violation of the Federal Law.

SOCCER LEAGUE

An attempt is being made to organize a girls' soccer league this fall. All girls interested in playing, whether they know how or not, are asked to contact Annie Young, 226.

PLANS FORMING FOR MODEL MEET

Plans for the Brainbusters Model Championship contest, which will be held in October, are progressing rapidly. As previously announced, the prize list has been tentatively set at the \$500 mark, and numerous persons have expressed a desire to donate prizes for the event. Five trophies have been pledged to date. A complete list of prizes and donors will be available within the next two weeks.

Since this will be an all LMAL affair, the majority of the awards must be raised on the field. Any and all contributions will be appreciated, and it is hoped that some of the larger sections will consolidate their efforts and present a trophy. Costs of first place trophies range from \$25-\$40, second place, \$15-\$20, and third place, \$10-\$15. Smaller cash amounts will be needed to purchase medals and smaller awards. The following persons are authorized recipients of donations and are equipped with receipt books: Frank Parmenter and Bill Poythress, West Machine Shop; Charles Folk, Instrument Service; Leigh Lewis, Apprentice Administration; Dick Everett, D.T.O.S.; Dick Sladek, Dynamic Model Shop; and Joe Dodson and Paul Marchal, East Engineering.

An attempt is being made to hold the Victory Banquet Continued on page 2



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ROMANCES: Dorothy Pierce gave AWT a big surprise when she announced her marriage of May 21 to C.P.O. Walter Massey of the U. S. Navy.... The engagement of Hazel Storey and Lloyd Fisher, Tank, was announced in Sunday's Daily Press. The wedding will take place in September ... Rosellen Hoffman has left the Stability Tunnel to be married to Lt. Guy Via of Newport News....John M. Riebe, AWT, recently became engaged to his home town girl, Helen Price.

HEIR MAIL: Mark Nichols, PRT, was passing out cigars in a big way last Friday, August 12. It's a boy, Mark Lovell.

PARTIES: Full Scale Tunnel had a beach party at Grand View Saturday, August 19.... Connie Pegues, 16-Foot, entertained the computers at a dinner party Wednesday night, August 16....Full Scale Analysis had a beach party at Virginia Beach Sunday, August 14.... Reproduction celebrated with two parties this week. One was a lawn party given by Winifred Diller, and the other a dinner party at the home of Doris King for Frances Liddell who left the Laboratory Tuesday.

ILL WINDS: Evalyn Wells, who has been confined to Dixie Hospital for a few days is now recuperating at her home. AWT wishes her a speedy recovery Virginia Finch, AWT, has returned to work after a brief stay in Dixie Hospital Patsy Cole, ALD, is recuperating from a recent illness at her home in Front Royal.

GOOD LUCK: Full Scale Tunnel wishes Elizabeth Lipscomb the best of luck in her new job. She will work in Civilian Personnel Control at the McGuire Army General Hospital, Richmond.

WRECKCREATION COMMITTEE: AWT had a complete turn over in its Wreckcreation Committee. The new members are: Margaret Farmer, Chairman; Leroy Spearman, Marvin Schuldenfrei, Billy Bates, and Oleta Church.

MISCELLANY: The Impact Basin staff entertained for Mr. and Mrs. Wilmer Mayo last Saturday night at the home of Jackie Martin....16 Foot Computers had a surprise paper shower for Marie (Dutch) Holland in celebration of her first wedding anniversary Thursday, August 12.... Sally Bourne was recently awarded a medal for bravery shown beyond the call of duty when she courageously overcame a fire which started in the ladies' room at the Structures Laboratory.

FOR SALE: One eighty (80) bass Italian make soprano accordian in excellent condition. Contact E. C. Cook, Dynamic Model Shop, 217.

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LOST: A package containing a blue Hawaiian apron. Reward. Contact Betty Katchmore, Payroll.

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Service Notes

Karl Birkel, formerly of the West Area Machine Shop, writes from New York to say, "Since I left the Machine Shop, the Navy has sent me to Machinist Mate School on the dry and dusty plains of Oklahoma for the first lap of studying. We spent twenty-one weeks there trying to learn all they threw at us. Then they shipped us to a gunnery base at Purcell which is a little farther into the wilds of that barren state. We stayed here eight weeks and learned to be Naval Aerial Gunners. I managed to graduate from there about two weeks ago and was one of the two men chosen to go to Flight Engineer School at Pan American Airways, I am now A.M.M. 3/c and have about thirteen more weeks of training as Flight Engineer." Karl's new address is: Karl Birkel, A.M.M. 3/c, N.T. Sch. Pan American Airways, 80-12 19th Avenue, Jackson Heights, New York.

D. E. (Gene) Hicks writes from Norman, Oklahoma to say, "I thought that the gang there would be interested to know that 1500 miles from NACA six former employees are here together. W. D. Leonard, Herby Aiken, D. E. Hicks and three other boys whose names I do not know. I'm afraid to take inventory of the place 'cause I might find that this place is made up entirely of NACA employees." Gene's address is: D. E. Hicks, S 2/c, 48-A-44 Brks 147, N.A.T.T.C., Norman, Oklahoma.

BRAIN BUSTERS

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in the Armory. Plans call for a sale of 200 tickets at \$1.25 per person. All awards will be made at the banquet, and several prominent guests are expected to be present.

If successful, this contest will rank as the largest contest on the East Coast.

PRT MOVES TOWARD PLAYOFFS

Playing a fast game of ball behind the brilliant pitching of Sam Vollo, PRT made a desperate bid for a position in the playoffs by defeating AWT 4-2 and Full-Scale 3-1. Vollo was nicked for only six hits in the two games, three in each. John Knemeyer was on the mound for AWT and allowed five hits. Roy Lange did the pitching chores for Full-Scale and was touched for nine safeties. PRT's only remaining game is with the East Area Shops and, should the propellor team win, both teams would be tied for the third playoff spot with AWT. In case the 19' Tunnel drops their game with FRD; AWT, PRT, EAS, and 19' would all be tied for second place.

Structures is the only team certain of getting in the playoffs. They ran their record to ten wins and two losses by defeating Tank 10-2. Diskin and Daniels were the opposing moundsmen. John Neff, Structures catcher, and Jack Posner, Tank shortfielder, both hit for the circuit.

AWT downed the Tank team on the following day 7-6. Scriven and Daniels did the pitching. Ray Comenzo, AWT shortstop, led the batting attack with a double and a triple.

Full-Scale dropped games to both Stability and Loads. Stability won, 9-8, in nine innings and Loads took the long end of a 12-2 count.

The 8' HST team downed Low Turbulence, 9-4. Burly Baals went the route for the winners, and Jack Irwin and Lou Stivers pitched for the losers. John Henry, left field, and Andy Hayes, second base, each got two hits for the winners. Henry poked out a long triple with the bases loaded. He drove in a total of five runs for the day. Fred Rice, LTT left fielder, led the losers at the plate with three for four.

For the second successive time, the Full-Scale-Structures game was called on account of darkness after it had gone into extra innings. Si Diskin and Roy Lange faced each other on the mound. Diskin was touched for nine hits and Lange for six, Full-Scale had the game won until the seventh. With the score 3-1 and one man on base, Carl Rossman, Structures left fielder, hit a triple and scored on the fielder's error. The game was called at the end of the eighth inning.

The games remaining are: Structures-FST, EAS-PRT, 19'-FRD, and 8' HSR-Eng'g.



The Aircraft Loads Division team, champions of the Girls' Softball League. They are, left to right, Front row: Jackie Martin, third base; Helen Wall, right field; Virginia Smith, shortstop; Co-Captain Ethelda McArver, left field; Co-Captain Dot Beadle, second base; Jerry Crouch, pitcher; Margaret Steiner, short field. Back row: Kathleen Carson, center field; Jerry Couch, catcher; Thelma Stewart, manager; Mary Frances Mikell, catcher; Constance Mynatt, first base; Revie Bayer, right field; and Isabel Martin, left field. Coach Allen bulletin board. Stokke was not present when the picture was taken.

ALL-STARS DROP GAMES TO WACS

In a game played Wednesday, August 5, the HRPE WAC's overwhelmed the NACA All-Stars by a score of 26-6. Margaret Farmer, AWT, and Sybil Bateman, Structures, pitchers for the losers, gave up ten and six hits respectively. Goldie, star for the WAC's, collected four of the hits. Margaret Farmer was the star in the NACA offense, hitting a triple.

The Patrick Henry WAC's defeated the NACA All-Star team by a close margin of 5-4 Wednesday, August 16. The winning run was scored in the last inning with one out. Sybil Bateman, pitching for the All-Stars, performed superbly on the mound. She yielded nine hits and one walk. Nancy Shelton, Ann Timberlake, and Chris Reynolds were the NACA offensive stars, gathering two hits each. The Purple Heart was awarded to Nancy Wall and Nancy Shelton (what, again!) for injuries obtained during the battle. Each player is commended for her all around good performance.

The beginning line-up for the All-Stars was as follows: Sybil Bateman, Structures, pitcher; Nancy Shelton, Personnel, catcher; Kay Desander, Files, first baseman; Jerry Crouch, ALD, second baseman; Chris Reynolds; Payroll, third baseman; Nancy Wall, 16 Foot, short stop; Kit Carson, ALD, short field; Ann Timberlake, AWT, right field; Margaret Farmer, AWT, center field: and Ann Merfeld, 8-Foot, left field.

On Tuesday, August 23, at 6:30 p.m. the All-Stars will tangle with the WAVES from the Naval Air Station, Norfolk. The game has been tentatively scheduled to be played at Armstrong School, however, an official announcement will be posted on the

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H.A.A. NEWS

The Hampton Athletic Association appears to be well on its way to becoming a successful active organization, as the current membership drive has run the membership list to forty-five persons.

Three sports, badminton, weight lifting, and table tennis, are well under way. The badminton club has already held one meeting and has scheduled games for 7:30 each Wednesday evening in the rear of the Industrial USO. The weight lifters will tentatively hold their activities on Friday nights at 7:30 until the old Syms-Eaton school building can be obtained.

Plans are also being made for girls' badminton and archery classes. A track and field club is also being planned for those members who are interested in those events. It is thought, by club members, that there are many athletes in the community who would like to participate in such events, both from the standpoint of providing physical exercise for themselves and competing with other teams in the surrounding territory.

All persons who are interested in becoming members of the H.A.A. are urged to contact any of the men whose names appear on the announcements on the bulletin boards. or to attend the next regular meeting at 7:30, Monday evening, at the Industrial USO.

TO PLAY FOR NEXT DANCE

Blair Blanton and the Southerners, who have played for the last three Green Cow dances, are returning by popular demand to hold forth on the Grand View bandstand on August 25, it was announced by Bill Craig.

Craig also said that the hours of the dance would be from 9 until 12, instead of from 10 until 1, as announced last week.

Admission to the dance is by membership only. Season tickets are \$3.50 and may be purchased from any member of the executive committee.

USO NEWS

This week's program at the Hampton Industrial USO will begin on Sunday, August 20, with open house. On Monday, August 21, the athletic and bridge clubs will meet. A sing-around-piano and a meeting of the American Legion will be held on Tuesday, August 22. On Wednesday, August 23, at 7:30 p.m. the USO Mimes will meet, and there will be an informal dance at 9 p.m. The Calisthenics class will meet at 7 p.m. on Thursday, August 24, and at 8:30 p.m. the movie "Alias the Deacon" will be shown. Both the Friday, August 25, and Saturday, August 26, calendars will be featured by open house.

SOUTHERNERS EMPLOYEES PLAN NEW TOUCH FOOTBALL LOOP

Another sports activity is being organized among LMAL employees - touch football. Plans are under way for the league schedule to begin by September 24. Each team is requested to send one or more representatives to a meeting which will be held at the Hampton Industrial USO on Wednesday, August 23, at 8 p.m. The purpose of the meeting will be to formulate all rules for the league games.

Any sections interested in participating in the league are asked to communicate with Irwin Schumacher, Engineering Section, 251; Bob Nuber, Air Flow Research, 249; Walt Williams, Flight Research, 264; or Gus Boughan, Structures, 216.

STANDINGS-

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8	Tank	6	7	.461
9	LTT	5	8	.385
9	IRD	5	8	.385
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Number participating	109	2,782	568	2,263	5,722
Percentage participati	ng 93.97%	91.97%	95%	96.37%	94.03%
Monthly pay roll	\$27,440.94	\$630,139.04	\$140,326.84	\$537,702.77	\$1,335,609.59
Amount subscribed	3,316.88	80,718.25	14,254.33	53,527.60	151,817.06
Percentage subscribed	12.09%	12.81%	10%	9.95%	11.36%
Average subscription	\$30.43	\$29.01	\$25.09	\$23.65	\$26.63