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The Monmouth Message

All The News
Of Post Military
Civilian Activities

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Pro Tests Start Here Tomorrow

FORT MONMOUTH — The first Army Proficiency Tests given at Fort Monmouth are scheduled to begin here tomorrow afternoon.

Those wishing to take the examinations are warned that they must show up at the time and place scheduled or they may not be afforded another chance to take the test until next year.

A time limit of three hours has been set for all tests. Tests will consist of 100 questions, except those covering supervisory skills in which case 125 questions will be asked.

Consider Two Points
Two things are taken into consideration under the testing program before an individual will be awarded Proficiency Pay. They are the written examination score and the command evaluation report.

Both are sent to the Army Endicott Evaluation Center at Fort Benjamin Harrison, Ind., where a composite score is figured. The composite score is then reported back here by means of a Proficiency Data Card.

Within 30 days following the examination the Department of the Army will announce a cutoff score for each test. All individuals having a score equal to, or higher than, the cutoff score will be authorized Proficiency Pay. In any case, though, each individual will be informed of his score through his unit personnel officer.

Other Uses
This same testing system will later be used for promotion and reassignment purposes. Individuals who have been previously authorized Proficiency Pay under the interim proficiency program will be required to take the tests whenever their particular MOS is changed. And if they fail to meet the cutoff score they will no longer receive proficiency pay.

Initially proficiency pay is authorized at \$30 a month. However, legislation provides that it can range up to \$150 a month. These amounts, though, will be taken into grades P-2 and P-3. Enlisted personnel awarded a pay must be assigned to a commensurate grade with their OS and grade. And if this is possible they are to be regraded to higher headquarters.

Should Make Inquiry
Any enlisted person who takes himself qualified to be an MOS proficiency test and has not yet been informed in regard to his status should contact his unit personnel officer immediately.

It is reported that at the end of four years 15 per cent of the authorized enlisted strength of the Army will be drawing proficiency pay and that a certain percentage of individuals in pay grades E-4 and above will be drawing proficiency pay in all MOS's.

Funds which have been appropriated to cover the proficiency program over a four-year period are shown below on a progressive scale:

FY '59 \$2,316,000
FY '60 \$1,424,000
FY '61 \$32,795,000
FY '62 \$51,057,600

The MOSs tested tomorrow will be 2B1-1 and 2B1-6. Examination will start at 1300 hours in Room 180 of Squier Hall.

Variety Show Set

There will be a variety show next Monday night at the Post Service Club beginning at 2300 hrs. The show is produced and presented by Post Entertainment Special Services.

NCO Wives Unit Installs 1959 Slate of Officers

FORT MONMOUTH — The Fort Monmouth NCO Wives Auxiliary held a formal installation of officers Monday night. The evening activities began with a candlelight dinner held in the NCO Club cocktail lounge. Mrs. Corrine McMullin, past president, presented the outgoing officers with gifts and introduced the newly elected officers.

Outgoing officers are Mrs. Janice McDowell, president; Mrs. Eleanor O'Donnell, vice president and Mrs. Nan Brown, secretary.

Newly-elected officers are Mrs. Theresa Sanders, president; Mrs. Joan Rice, first vice president; Mrs. Peggy Plantamura, second vice president and Mrs. JoAnn Carroll, secretary. Mrs. Isobel Hiller was re-elected treasurer.

Committee chairman appointed by the executive board were: Mrs. Lois Brennan, entertainment; Mrs. Joan Rice, hospital; Mrs. Jane Culbertson, publicity; Mrs. Wanda Zaorski, refreshment and Mrs. Corrine McMullin, historian.

New members welcomed to the club included Mrs. Rosa Lee Barbee, Mrs. Marion Woodall, Mrs. Lillian Weinstein, Mrs. Rosemary Pascher and Mrs. Army Avls.

Refreshments were served by Mrs. Nan Brown and Mrs. H. Bondi.

Capt. M. J. Strally Returns to Post

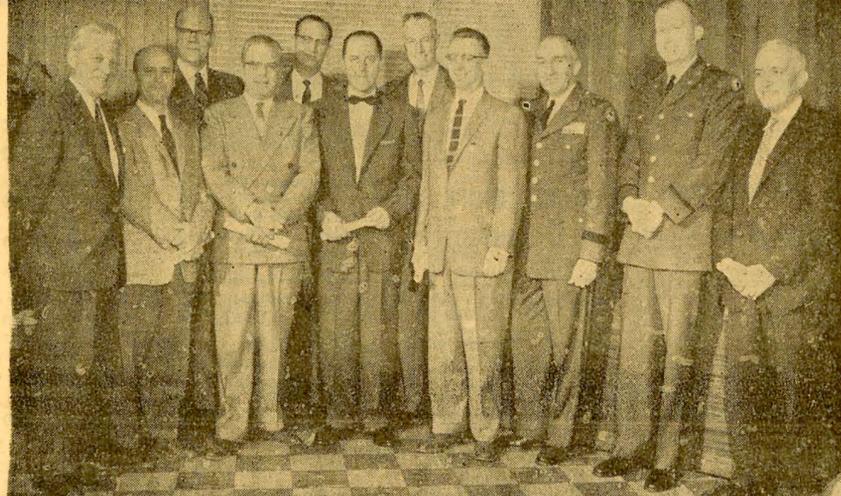
FORT MONMOUTH — Capt. Michael J. Strally is back at his job as assistant chief, Radar Division, U.S. Army Signal School, after four months of allied work at Pakistan.

Assigned to the Pakistan Military adviser and assistance group in Karachi, the capital of Pakistan, he was assigned to the task of establishing a seven week school for Field and Base Radio Repair on all types of tactical radio and carrier equipment.

From Karachi, he traveled 900 miles north to the remote region of Rawalpindi where the school was built.

He studied Pakistan methods and procedures by traveling from his latest Pakistan assignment to inspect and observe Army maintenance units. He visited the Khyber Pass and other geographical regions written of by Rudyard Kipling.

He lectured officers, enlisted men, and civilians.



SET PROMOTIONS—Eight scientists and engineers of the U. S. Army Signal Research and Development Laboratory, Fort Monmouth, have been given special job status after authorization by the U. S. Civil Service Commission. They were congratulated at a ceremony attended by laboratory officials. Here (left to right, front row) are Dr. Harold A. Zahl, Director of Research, who already held the special standing permitted by a Congressional Act; Victor L. Friedrich; Edward J. Fister, Harry W. Parmer; Charles K. Shultes; Brig. Gen. A. F. Cassevant, Fort Monmouth Commanding General; Col. Harold McD Brown, Laboratory Commander; S. A. Petrillo, Director of Engineering, who also had been promoted earlier to the special category; (rear row, left to right) Dr. Harrison J. Merrill; Willie L. Doxey, and R. S. Boykin. Aldred W. Rogers, eighth man promoted with the group, was absent.

Chief of Staff Praises Safety Record for 1958

FORT MONMOUTH — At ceremonies in the Pentagon, the Secretary of the Army accepted the National Safety Council Award of Honor for performance during the Fiscal Year of 1958.

In a letter to the Deputy Chief of Staff for Logistics, the Chief of Staff for the U. S. Army congratulated the military and civilian personnel for their contribution to the fine record. The Deputy Chief of Staff for Logistics in turn commended the Chief Signal Officer for the part played by the Signal Corps in this record, and the Chief Signal Officer wishes the personnel of Fort Monmouth to share in the fine commendation by Department of the Army.

While the accident prevention record for the Fiscal Year of 1958 for this installation was outstanding, as evidenced by the Award of Honor presented to the Chief Signal Officer, some retrogression in accident rates in practically all categories was noted for the first five months of the Fiscal Year of 1959.

It has been urged that all Fort Monmouth personnel reinforce their safety consciousness and use every effort to improve the record for the remainder of the Fiscal Year.

PX HOURS CHANGE

FORT MONMOUTH — Here are the new hours of operation for the Main Post Exchange which went into effect last Thursday: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, 1030 to 1800; Wednesday 1030 to 2000; and Saturday from 0930 to 1300.

Laboratory Scientists, Engineers Are Given Special Promotions

List Film Schedule

Following is a schedule of films to be presented during the week of 19-23 Jan. by the Educational Television Division of the U. S. Army Signal School over WFM-TV on Channels 4 and 6, starting at 1200 hrs.: Channel 4, "Continental Classroom," Monday, "Promotives," Tuesday, "Fermat's Principles," Wednesday, "Lenses," Thursday, "Diffraction," Friday, "Interference," Channel 6, "War Films," Monday, "Pacific Pathways," Tuesday, "Sky Blitz," Wednesday, "Campaign in Sicily," Thursday, "U.N. Campaign in N.E. Korea," and Friday, "Interference."

M-Sgt. Schreiber New Co. A 1st Sgt.

FORT MONMOUTH — M-Sgt. John J. Schreiber has assumed duties as First Sergeant of Company A, USASCS Regiment. He replaces M-Sgt. M. B. Black, Jr., who is now assigned to Headquarters and Headquarters Company, USASCS Regiment, as NCOIC of the Signal School Drill Team.

Before assuming his present duties, Sgt. Schreiber was Personnel Sergeant with the 516th Signal Group, stationed in Karlsruhe, Germany. He has been on active duty with the U. S. Army for over 10 years. He is married and has four children. His wife, Denise, is presently in New York. She and the children will join him at Fort Monmouth in the near future.

Guild to Meet

The Fort Monmouth Protestant Woman's Guild will hold its first meeting of the year on next Tuesday at 1300, at Chapel No. 3. It was announced by Mrs. Arthur Parsons, who will be in charge of the program. Mrs. Richard Nybro and Mrs. Charles McPherson will act as hostesses. All Protestant women are invited to join in Christian fellowship and are asked to bring their friends to participate.

"Super grade" status in this series was given to Willie L. Doxey, West Long Branch, chief scientist and civilian director of the Electronic Components Research Department; Robert S. Boykin, Lincoln, chief scientist and civilian director of the Communications Department; Charles K. Shultes, Little Silver, chief scientist and civilian director of the Surveillance Department; Dr. Harrison J. Merrill, Elberon director of the Applied Physics Division; Edward J. Fister, Long Branch, Director of Countermeasures Division; Victor L. Friedrich, West Allenhurst, director of Radar Division; and Aldred W. Rogers, Springfield, director of Electronic Parts and Materials Division.

Bloodmobile Visit First in '59; Eight Scheduled

FORT MONMOUTH — The Red Cross Bloodmobile made its first visit of 1959 to Fort Monmouth today with donors at the Post able to contribute at the Field House from 0800 to 1300 hrs.

Having just completed a banner year, today's visit is the first of eight trips scheduled by the New York Regional Blood Program to Fort Monmouth this year. Donors under the Post Blood Program are assured full blood needs for themselves and their families for one year anywhere in the States.

In 1958, Post personnel donated, 3852 pints of blood the best turnout in four years. Since the program started here in June 1951, contributions exceed 31,000 pints of blood.

Civil Service Approved

The promotions required prior approval of the Civil Service Commission, which acted under authority of a 1947 law to provide special inducement to qualified persons holding highly responsible positions in designated fields. These include research and development, such as the laboratory conducts in the physical sciences.

Brig. Gen. A. F. Cassevant, Commanding General of Fort Monmouth, congratulated the men at a laboratory ceremony in their honor. Gen. Cassevant has held laboratory assignments, including directorship from June 1948, to Evans 1950, of what was then Evans Signal Laboratory (now Evans Area). He commented that he has known the promoted men for a number of years and therefore has direct knowledge of their ability and accomplishments.

Col. Harold McD. Brown, laboratory commander, said in extending his congratulations that the promotions are viewed as a reflection of the caliber of the individuals and the high scientific and technical standards of the U. S. Army Signal Corps and the Laboratory. The latest action in the series brings to ten the number of persons in the laboratory presently holding positions under the act. Dr. Harold A. Zahl, director of research, and S. A. Petrillo, director of engineering, already held grades in the special category. Both extended congratulations at the ceremony for the newly promoted men.

Concert is Planned

The Cadet Glee Club of the United States Military Academy will be presented in their sixth annual concert at Fort Monmouth on Saturday evening, 7 Feb. Tickets will be distributed on a first come, first served basis. Tickets will be available for distribution at the Information Office, Russel Hall, beginning 21 Jan., and may be obtained by written request or by telephoning Ext. 21654.

First 1959 Fund Raising Campaign is Opened Here

Avionics Division Pilot Wins Home in Florida

Reading Skill Increase Aim Of New School

FORT MONMOUTH — To provide students with increased reading skill is the purpose of a new course offered to Advanced Class students of the Officers' Department, USASCS.

The students attend a two-hour class each week for a total of 15 weeks. Approximately 40 students, divided into two classes, began the course last Saturday.

The purpose of the course in increasing reading skills is to increase the rate of speed and comprehension of written material.

Training Devices
In the first lesson, the instructor, R. Paul Anderson, Civilian Personnel Office, used two training devices in his presentation. The first was a film produced by Harvard University which exposed portions of written material at an approximate speed of 180 - 200 words per minute with one paragraph at a speed of 500 words per minute.

Another device he used was a tachistoscope, a device which exposes, for a fraction of a second, a phrase or a series of numbers. These devices are used in the classroom along with suitable tests to determine how well the student comprehends what he has read. According to Mr. Anderson, two main reading faults account for a slow rate of reading. One of these he refers to as the "eyespan" or the number of words that the reader sees in each fraction of an instant that his eyes stop as he reads. The tachistoscope, with its varied length of exposed material, gives the student an estimation of his ability in this respect.

Second Fault
Another fault, he refers to as "regression," or the practice of the reader referring back to what he has already read. The films used in class do not permit the student to do this. In addition to the classroom work, the students are required to do exercises in a workbook, "Power and Speed in Reading," published by Prentice-Hall. The student will retain this workbook and be able to make a record of his progress throughout the course.

Chorus Membership Roster is Opened
FORT MONMOUTH — The Fort Monmouth Mixed Chorus is open for membership and new singers are invited to join. A concert is planned for 18 March, and men and women who enjoy singing good music are welcome.

Rehearsals are held every Monday evening in the Entertainment Workshop (Bldg. 669) from 1900 to 2200 hrs. The chorus is directed by PFC William S. May, and is a Special Services activity under the supervision of the Entertainment Director, Post Military and Civilian personnel, and depends over 18 are eligible for membership. Army Information Digest.

Limited war may be defined as anything less than all out war. It is a war fought with some degree of restriction as to areas of conflict, targets attacked or weapons employed. — Army Information Digest.

The contract, to be performed in Redwood City, Calif., calls for 12 Ampex model Recorder - Reproducers, and ancillary items.

A contract for \$76,878 went to Adler Electronics, Inc., New Rochelle, N. Y., calling for 10 Terminal and Repeater Stations, consisting of special transmitter heterodyne converter, and special frequency converter.

To ACF Industries, Inc., (Avionics Division) Paramus, went an award of \$29,044.88 for fabrication of special volt DC power supply for C-band superheterodyne.

During the 1958 campaign, Colonel White pointed out, a total of \$12810.22 was set at Fort Monmouth for the seven national health agencies participating and in addition, \$6,689.24 was donated to Care and to Crusade for Freedom.

In line with the policy for fund raising on a federal basis, each individual will be given an opportunity to make his voluntary contribution in private, and to designate the agency or agencies to which he wishes to donate. Each individual must determine within his own heart, within his own means, as to what constitutes a generous donation on his part.

Kenneth K. Huhn, Post Educational Advisor, who is drive co-chairman, distributed campaign literature among the keymen and give an orientation on the procedures for the conduct of the drive.

Two Officers Graduate From Staff College
FT. LEAVENWORTH, KANS. — Two officers assigned to Fort Monmouth graduated last month from the U. S. Army Command and General Staff College which is conducted here.

Lt. Col. Robert L. Perley, son of Col. R. N. Perley, Dalton, Ga., graduated from the associate course and returns to the U. S. Army Signal School, Fort Monmouth, as chief of the Curricula 5 Division, Officers Department.

Capt. William F. O'Meara, Troy, N. Y., also graduated from the associate course and returns to the Instructor Group of the Officers Department, USASCS, Fort Monmouth.

Memorial School's PTA Sets Meeting
EATONTOWN — The Parent-Teacher Association of Eatontown Memorial School will hold its first 1959 meeting next Friday night at 2000 hrs. in the school auditorium.

The problem of how to provide a sound educational program for the children of the community will be discussed by the following panelists: Anson Ransom, Edward Allen, William Ramsey, F. Bliss Price and Dr. De Hart.

The Parent-Education Study Group met this morning at the school to discuss how one may help his child by a knowledge of the tax structure that supports the school.

The United States Army pioneered in guided missile, ballistic missile and rocket development just as it did in the development of the atomic bomb.

'Bud' Waite, Home from Antarctic, Brings With Him an Unusual Find

FORT MONMOUTH — Amory (Bud) Waite of Port-au-Peck, veteran of seven expeditions into the Antarctic, has returned to the U. S. Signal Research and Development Laboratory from his latest Antarctic trip with a memo that dates back over half a century to the days of the noted British explorers, Sir Ernest Shackleton and Capt. Robert Falcon Scott.

The rare item is a copy of "The Sunday Strand," published in London, which Waite dug out of a pile of dismantled and rusted equipment at what was once Capt. Scott's long abandoned Antarctic base.

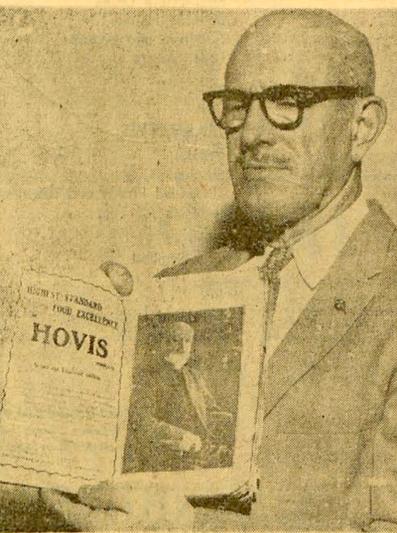
The paper is believed by Waite to have been part of reading material left at the camp of Sir Shackleton and later retrieved as reading matter by Capt. Scott's men.

Waite put the prized paper through drying and pressing procedures in the five days and weeks that followed.

"I had to be careful with it. After all, it had come off the press in London 51 years ago and it was buried in ice and snow most of the time since," he said.

Waite, accompanied by Richard J. Ritter of Long Branch, an electronic engineer at the laboratory, as an observer made his latest research trip on the U. S. Navy's "Operation Deepfreeze IV."

Waite and Ritter flew from San Francisco, on Sunday, 26 Oct. made stops at Hawaii and Fiji, arriving at Auckland, New Zealand on 30 Oct. They traveled from there to McMurdo Base aboard the Navy's biggest ice breaker, the U. S. S. Glacier, arriving on 10 Nov.



RARE FIND—Amory H. Waite holds copy of a 1907 issue of "The Sunday Strand," a London publication which he dug out of a pile of abandoned equipment at the Antarctic base of Explorer Capt. Robert Falcon Scott.

They had Christmas dinner aboard ship at Wellington, N. Z. They returned to the Pacific Coast by air via Fiji and Hawaii.

Doxey to Address Vetter School PTA

EATONTOWN — W. L. Doxey will discuss "Observations on Industry and Education in the Soviet Union" at a meeting of the Parent-Teacher Association of Margaret L. Vetter School to be held tonight at 2000 hrs.

The talk will be illustrated by color slides taken in Russia which Mr. Doxey visited as a member of a scientific team during the summer of 1957.

Candidates in the upcoming Board of Education election will be introduced at the meeting.

DeLizza Is Editor Of I Corps Paper

SPECIAL TO THE MESSAGE
FORT MONMOUTH — SFC Frank R. DeLizza, formerly stationed at the Hankin, U. S. Army Signal Research and Development Laboratory is now editor of the I Corps official newspaper, "Bullseye, in Korea."

Sgt. DeLizza, who forwarded a copy of the paper to the Public Information Office, is featured in a page one full-page photo of the holiday issue in the role of Santa Claus, with a little Korean girl on each knee.

Several articles by the Sergeant appear in the pages of the sprightly overseas service paper.



COSTUMES OF MANY LANDS — As part of the International Show, featured at the January luncheon of the Fort Monmouth Women's Club, members wore costumes brought with them from lands in which they have lived, during tours of their husbands overseas. Shown above are, l. to r., (seated) Mrs. C. C. Gibbs, in Korean costume, Mrs. A. J. Carbone, Japanese; Mrs. W. H. Blatti, Hawaiian; Mrs. K. E. Davis, Chinese; Mrs. D. E. Baxter, Pakistani; Mrs. G. C. Brannon, Hawaiian; Mrs. R. M. Quackebush, Japanese; Mrs. R. H. McTeer, Korean. (Standing): Mrs. D. H. Shick in Dutch costume; Mrs. M. J. Skvorak, in costume of Okinawa; Mrs. C. D. Ford, Japanese; Mrs. W. J. Rolya, Alaskan; Mrs. S. J. Duhon, Puerto Rican; Mrs. N. E. Anderson, Mexican; Mrs. W. B. Ware, N. E. Hand, Philippine; Mrs. L. M. Hand, Philippine; Mrs. G. S. Summers, Turkish; Mrs. Charles Crone, Dutch; Mrs. G. A. Broms, Formosan; Mrs. Peter Madden, Japanese; and Mrs. M. A. Little, wearing a costume from Africa, from where she recently returned. (USASCPub Photo by Ruane.)