

Care and Feeding of Missiles Now Being Taught in SC Course

The world's only course in the safe handling of ballistic missiles has opened at the University of Southern California. With the beginning of the eight-week course, which is being attended by 26 Air Force and Marine Corps officers, the name of the seven-year-old USC Aviation Safety Division has been changed to include the word "Missile," according to Dean Carl Hancey of USC's University college, under which the Aviation and Missile Safety Division operates.

THE NEW missile safety course is loaded with more than 260 hours of instruction in such subjects as propellant chemistry, physics, electronics, mathematics, the structures and fluid mechanisms of missiles and even human factors and safety program management.

The course is the result of a request from and a contract with the U.S. Air Force through the Directorate of Flight Safety Research, Norton Air Force Base, San Bernardino.

MORE THAN six months of research already has gone into the preparation of the missile safety course, according to George B. Potter, director of the A&MS division. Researching the subject included trips by division representatives to virtually every major missile base including Cape Canaveral and Vandenberg AFB, and to the plants of major manufacturers of missiles and missile components.

Among the "laboratory" materials which students of the missile safety course have for their work is the aft 20 feet of the X-15 which exploded in a static test in June. This wrecked portion of the sleek space ship including the engine and the propellant tanks, has been given to the USC course for instructional purposes. Too large for any USC classroom, the wrecked section of the X-15 is now at the Marine Air Base at El Toro and students will travel there to study it.

DURING THE course the missile safety classes also will visit Vandenberg AFB and the plant of at least one major missile producer in the Los Angeles area, Director Potter said.

"When these officers finish this course of instruction they will compose the only professionally trained missile safety experts in the world," Potter added.

Commenting on the selection of USC for the missile safety instruction, Director Potter said: "USC has long taken a definite lead in the field of aerospace safety with its already seven-year-old course. More than 2100 U.S. and foreign officers, representatives of private aircraft companies and even NATO pilots have gone through the USC flight safety courses which remain the only ones of their kind in the world."

Next Week's School Menu

Menus in Torrance elementary schools next week (Jan. 23-27) will include vegetable beef casserole, tacos, chili beans, Salisbury steak, and fish, according to officials.

Elementary school lunches, including milk, cost 30 cents. Ice Cream bars are six cents extra, while single bottles of milk cost four cents. On next week's menu are:

MONDAY — Vegetable beef casserole, buttered spinach, apple sections, baked custard, bread, butter, milk.

TUESDAY — Tacos and shredded lettuce, buttered corn, savory tomato e.u.p., marshmallow fruit gelatin, hot French bread, milk.

WEDNESDAY — Chili beans, buttered broccoli, delish sticks, apricots in syrup, corn bread, honey butter, milk.

THURSDAY — Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes, confetti salad, sliced peaches, bread, butter, milk.

FRIDAY — Oven grilled fish with tartar sauce, savory baked rice, mixed vegetable salad, bread, butter, orange sections, milk.

DIRECTOR POTTER, named to head the USC division last summer, has more than 6000 hours of logged time as a pilot. Regarded as one of the nation's leading administrators in the field of air science, Potter is a specialist in aircraft maintenance engineering.

A former associate professor of air science and tactics at the University of Illinois, Potter was director of material for the 314th Troop Carrier Wing with the rank of lieutenant colonel before coming to USC to head the A&MS division.

Association to Hold Drive For Solo Concerts

Preliminary plans for a community concert membership drive have been set for Feb. 20 through 25 and will comprise approximately 300 officers and campaign workers, it was announced this week by Mrs. Robert Laube, publicity chairman for the organization. Al Lukes, Southern California Gas Company executive, is president of the board of directors of the group.

The purpose of the South



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Bay Community Concert Assn. will be to present to area audiences a series of concerts featuring top-ranking solo artists, it was pointed out. The association is affiliated with Community Concerts Inc. of New York and represents a plan by which more than a thousand communities in the United States and Canada present concerts on a non-profit no-loss basis.

David Ferguson, field representative for Community Con-



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certs, attended a recent meeting and advised the local association on plans and procedure for the campaign.

The group will hold a dinner meeting Feb. 20 at the Pen and Quill restaurant to kick-off the membership drive. The affair will start at 6:30 p.m. Headquarters have been set up in the Redondo Beach Chamber of Commerce.

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Flower Arranging Classes To Begin Here on Feb. 1

Classes in beginning and advanced flower arranging are slated to begin Feb. 1 under auspices of the Torrance Recreation Department.

Both will be taught by Allyn Miller of Gardena, widely known floral artist, at the city plunge, 3331 Torrance Blvd. Each class will have six two-hour sessions on Wednesdays.

Tahitian Dishes Added to Menu

Contributing further to the new Tahitian theme now prevailing at The Polynesian, tropical restaurant in Torrance, authentic foods of Tahiti have been added to the dining establishment's exotic menu. The new Tahitian dishes, augmenting the other island and cantonese fare, include Eia Ota (Tahitian limed fish salad) and the Tahitian Tamaaraa, which consists mainly of Puaa Himaa (roast pig cooked in underground pit), Pota, baked yams and Fei (native bananas).

Wellman New Glendale S-L President of

Charles A. Wellman has been elected president of Glendale Federal Savings and Loan Assn., it was announced Thursday by J. E. Hoeft, founder and chairman of the board.

Wellman, formerly executive vice president of the association, succeeds Hoeft in the presidency. Hoeft will now devote full time activity to the duties of chairman of the board.

Wellman joined Glendale Federal in 1948 and has been a key figure in the savings and loan industry for many years.

Glendale Federal is the nation's fifth largest federal savings and loan association, with assets of nearly \$350,000,000. The association has 10 offices serving the Greater Los Angeles area.

A nationally-known savings and loan executive, Wellman

has been active in housing legislation on both the local and national levels. He is chairman of the Legislative Committee for the National Savings and Loan League, and a member of the Legislative Committees for both the U.S. and California Savings and Loan Leagues.

IN ADDITION, he is vice chairman of the Treasury Advisory Committee for the savings and loan industry, and a member of Gov. Brown's Business Advisory Council and Metropolitan Areas Commission. He was recently selected for membership in Lambda Alpha, international honorary fraternity on land economics.

A native of Chicago, Wellman attended the University of Southern California at Los Angeles and Columbia University, and is a graduate of the University of Southern Califor-

nia where he received his law degree. He served with the U.S. Army during World War II. He started his business career as an attorney in Los Angeles and in 1939 entered the savings and loan field with Coast Federal Savings, Los Angeles.



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