

Manufacturing Gets Third Army Safety Award

Blood Donors Give 670 Pints

Mobile Unit Makes Fourth Arsenal Visit As Last Minute Move

Redstone Arsenal personnel last week donated their 670th pint of blood to the Red Cross Bloodmobile when the unit made its fourth, and emergency visit to the arsenal.

Workers, mainly from Plants Area One, gave 139 pints on May 27, when the vehicle changed its schedule and came to the arsenal at the last minute. It was originally scheduled to collect blood in Huntsville, but a shortage of potential donors caused the change.

The Bloodmobile made its first visit in September, 1951 when it collected 138 pints. It returned on a scheduled visit in December, 1951 when 184 pints were given. Its third regular visit was in April when 209 pints were given.

In all of the visits arsenal personnel have generously exceeded the blood quotas set up. Although an emergency visit, the arsenal again went over the quota of 100 pints established by the Blood Center in Birmingham. The 100 pints were necessary for the center to meet its weekly quota in the continuing drive for blood for defense.

1st Lt. Cecil Aldridge, coordinating officer for the arsenal's blood program, said 99 pints of blood were given by Plants Area One personnel. Other arsenal personnel gave the remaining 40 pints.

Among volunteer workers assisting the regular bloodmobile staff in handling volunteer donors were the following wives of arsenal personnel:

Mrs. W. M. Mebane, Mrs. John Geisel, Mrs. Hal Ritchey, Mrs. Joe Burnett, Mrs. Robert Stultz, Mrs. Walter Mills, and Mrs. Leon Reynolds.

Many Chances Open To EM Wanting OCS

Enlisted men who wish to earn officers' commissions through Officers Candidate Schools now have an excellent chance to attend schools of their choice, according to Redstone Arsenal military personnel authorities.

A survey of OCS applicants shows a shortage of 925 students for the June classes, throughout the national military establishment.

Those interested may obtain ap-
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Your Post Engineer Foundry Is Rare Arsenal Facility

When Redstone's scientists working on guided missile and rocket project need complex and ingenious metal parts in a hurry, they call on the efficient Post Engineer Foundry.

One of the lesser known and more important services at the arsenal is the foundry. Located behind the Machine Shop in a small building, it contains equipment, nearly all of which was constructed on the spot. It is part of the Mechanical Trades Section where M. H. Adcock, 105 Surrey Rd., Huntsville, is the foreman.

The man who is indeed the fath-



SAFETY AWARD RECEIVED—Capt. James M. Long (second from right) is shown receiving a Third Army safety award on behalf of the Manufacturing Division, for the division's achievement of over 1,000,000 working hours without a disabling

injury. At right is I. D. Lewis, chief of the Operations Branch, Manufacturing Division, and at left, Wilbur E. Albright, arsenal safety director. (U. S. Army Photograph by O. B. Schlotterback.)

No Disabilities Wins Honors

1,000,000-Hour Streak Helps In Other Awards By Army & Ordnance

The Manufacturing Division today is the proud holder of a Third Army Certificate of Merit for compiling a safety record of over 1,000,000 man-working hours without a disabling injury.

The certificate was presented in the commanding officers office by Col. Benjamin D. Beach, May 27, to Capt. James M. Long, chief of the Manufacturing Division. The ceremony was witnessed by W. E. Albright, chief of the arsenal's Safety Section, I. D. Lewis, chief of Operations Branch of the Manufacturing Division, and Maj. Paul McCune, director of logistics.

In making the presentation Col. Beach said, the obvious wholehearted cooperation of all workers, in following the training and safety program set up within the Manufacturing Division, made possible the outstanding record.

The colonel, also pointed out that the record compiled by the division workers contributed greatly to the arsenal's safety record, which in turn aided the Ordnance Corps to win recently the National Safety Council's highest safety award.

The winning record for the division began July 6, 1951 and extended to May 6, 1952.

The arsenal also participated recently in honors conferred on the Third Army for its outstanding safety achievements when the Third Army was one of only two continental commands to receive the National Safety Council's Award of Honor for outstanding service to safety.

Corporal Wins MP Of Month

Contest Is 1st In Series By Provost Marshal For MP Of Year Selection

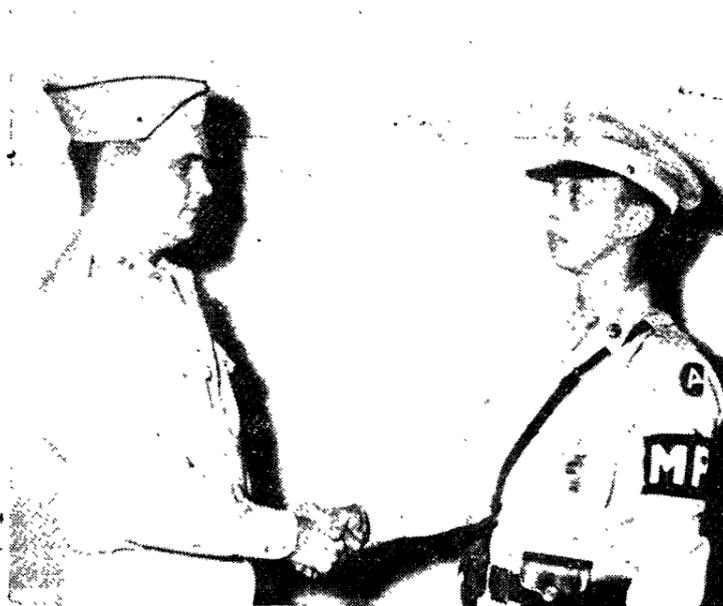
A 25 year-old corporal originally from Owensville, O. was selected the "Military Policeman of the Month" during ceremonies May 29 in the office of the Provost Marshal. The winner is Cpl. Robert R. Ravenscroft 3523 ASU.

The May ceremony begins a program originated by Capt. James F. Fail, Provost Marshal, to be carried out monthly and aimed for a final selection of "M.P. of the Year" for the man chosen the most times for the monthly honor.

Cpl. Ravenscroft was top man of five candidates chosen from the four military police platoons stationed at the arsenal. Each platoon named one soldier, except for the third platoon where two men tied for the honor.

The basis for naming a candidate is established by totalling the number of times a man has been selected as "MP. of the Day" by the leader in his outfit.

The other contenders for the title were Pfc. Earl G. Heacock, Jr., third platoon, who was awarded se-
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CONGRATULATES BEST MP—Capt. James F. Fail, Redstone Arsenal Provost Marshal, congratulates Cpl. Robert R. Ravenscroft, 3523 ASU, for winning the first monthly competition for "The Military Policeman of the Month." The program is pointed to eventually selecting a military policeman of the year. Cpl. Ravenscroft was best in a final field of five. (U. S. Army Photograph by O. B. Schlotterback.)

Credit On Dividends To Be Given Veterans

WASHINGTON (AFPS) — The Veterans Administration has announced that veterans who do not request their 1952 National Service Life Insurance dividend in cash will be notified that the dividend amount has been placed on deposit to their credit.

Dividend notices will be mailed to such veterans after the 1952 anniversary dates of their policies—the dates when the 1952 dividend is payable. The first notices are scheduled to be mailed soon.

Holders of NSLI in military service, who are paying premiums by allotment from military pay and who request their 1952 dividend in cash, will receive their checks from the VA Central Office in Washington, D.C.

Policyholders who desire dividends paid in cash should write the VA office to which they are paying premiums, giving their full names, insurance policy numbers and the addresses to which they want the dividend payments sent.

Civilian Dance Is Big Success

Plans Will Be Made For Big Fall Dance If Employees Want It

An estimated 1,000 to 1,500 persons attended the first big Civilian Welfare Council dance, in recent years, May 29 at the Huntsville Armory.

The civilian employees at Redstone, and their guests danced to the music of DeWitt Shaw, well-known central Alabama orchestra from Birmingham.

The lucky winners in the door prize contest, staged by the Council, in conjunction with the dance were:

Gordon England, Production Branch, Technical and Engineering Division, the 17-inch Maganovox television set.

Paul Fuller, Design Branch, Technical and Engineering Division, won
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Promotion Notice Letters Go To 3,100 Reservists

WASHINGTON (AFPS) — The Army currently is preparing letters to be sent out to 3,100 Reserve officers serving on active duty in grades lower than their ORC commissions informing them whether or not they have been recommended for promotion during the next round. Of the officers, 900 have been recommended.

The remaining 2,200 will be allowed to break their category and go off active duty. They may, however, elect to stay on active duty and hope for a promotion at a later date.

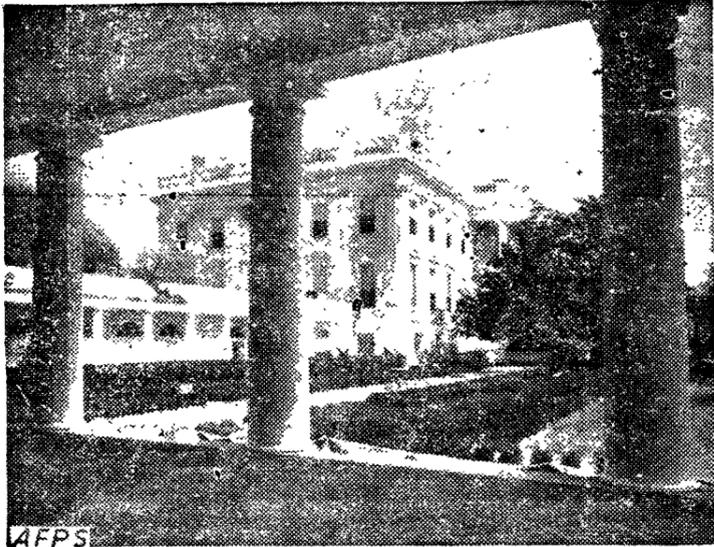
By The Number!

Williamsport, N.C. (AFPS) — Viola Brown 23, who has given birth to quintuplets, quadruplets and twins since 1946 now has a set of triplets.

Wife of an Army private first class now in Korea, Viola's birth record is one of the most unusual in medical history, according to doctors. Her triplets are reported "doing nicely." They weigh five pounds each.

A son born in 1948 and the twins, born last year, are living. But the quadruplets, which were born six years ago when Viola was 17, and the quint, born prematurely in 1950, lived only a few hours.

PFC. Brown has been in the Service eight months.



VIEW FOR A PRESIDENT—This view of the White House south portico was made from the office window of President Harry S. Truman. The grounds have been replanted and the chief executive's mansion rebuilt at a cost of \$5,700,000. The job took three years. (UP Photograph.)

Manufacturing Division

By HOKE WALLACE

Building 819 resembles Grand Central Station, with people coming and going on vacations, TDY, and others just transferring into the division.



J. H. Hyer, deputy chief, and his family are visiting relatives and acquiring a sun tan this week in Charleston, S. C.

Steakley said she Mrs. Louise was going to spend a quiet week at home, but we can't imagine Louise spending a quiet week anywhere.

We are quite proud to report that we have one of our personnel vacationing in Europe, Pfc. Robert Russell.

Captain James M. Long, chief of the division, and I. D. Lewis, chief of Operations, and their families spent the weekend in Springfield, Tennessee. Mrs. Lewis and children are spending a few more days in the Tennessee city.

C. M. Mohr, E. R. Kenamer and W. F. Woodard are on TDY. They are spending the week at Ordnance Ammunition Center, Joliet, Ill. Mac and Ed spent part of last week in Joliet and just returned long enough to get orders cut for a return trip.

Mrs. Mary Allen, Line 2 office, and her husband, are planning a vacation trip to Florida. They plan to leave in 10 days.

Mrs. Susie Bryan has transferred from 819 to Line 2.

Mrs. Helen Collier has been transferred to Line 8. Mrs. Edith Cribbs was moved from Line 8 to take her place. At least, these two young ladies will have new environment.

Lucy Payne, Line 2 has been a busy lady lately. Her shining star has just returned from New York City.

John Clarke, cost accountant for our division, has come up with another cost account. He has figured one out for the daily wear on coveralls and towels that are used on the production lines.

Talk about fish tales! Here is one for the books. Newman Terry, foreman at Line 2, reports he caught a fish that weighed eighty pounds, with his hands, in the back water of the Tennessee River.

We have a number of good farm-

ers in our division. Paul Smith, who resides at Owens Cross Roads, grows blackberries, raspberries and strawberries. Paul really has a berry farm.

Walker White, forman at Line 2, is from Guntersville. Walker says his favorite sport is eating chicken and T-bone steaks.

In an earlier issue of The Rocket we told you about the time and effort expended in making Line 2 more attractive. We are sorry to report, that the weather has been a little too dry for Charlie Sneed's flower beds. Probably the late showers will bring them out.

House Committee Passes K-Vet Bill Up To Congress

WASHINGTON (AFPS) — The K-Vet bill has been unanimously approved by the House Veterans Committee. It must now be passed by the House and Senate.

The measure would provide up to 36 months of free schooling, up to \$300 in mustering-out pay, and government-guaranteed loans on homes, farms and businesses.

The benefits would be available to all men and women in uniform between June 27, 1950, and a date to be set later by either Congress or the President.

Chief benefits are: Education — \$110 a month for single veterans and up to \$150 to those with dependents. Students would be entitled to one and one-half days of free schooling for each day of service. The maximum would be 36 months, the normal period for a four-year college education. Veterans must pay their own tuition and use whatever is left for living expenses.

Housing — Provisions are the same as those in the WWII bill, except that home builders will be required to give veteran buyers a one-year warranty that the house is as represented.

Loans — The government, as before, will guarantee up to 60 per cent of a four per cent loan on home, farm or business with a maximum guaranty of \$7,500.

Mustering-out pay — Men up through the Army rank of captain will get \$100 for service of less than 60 days, \$200 for more than

Rocket Development

By CPL. T. VAUGHN AND CPL. R. ROGERS

Wedding bells will be ringing for Leland H. Williams, Design, Rocket Development June 18 at the First Baptists Church in Columbia, S. C. The bride is Cornelia Burnett of Columbia where she is teaching grade school. Williams will interrupt four months TDY in Knoxville, Tenn. for the wedding.

Robert S. Cronhardt, originally from Baltimore, Md., is a new employee of the Design Branch, Interior Ballistics Section. Cronhardt, formerly with The Naval Ordnance Test Station, Inyokern, Calif., began his new duties May 19. He is accompanied to Huntsville by his wife and daughter and is now residing at 214 W. Holmes St.

We hear from the External Thread Section that Sam Grumion is back in the hospital with a bad nose-bleed. We are all hoping that you will be cured this time, Sam.

Mrs. Anne Waldrop, Project, celebrated her eighth wedding anniversary May 28. Her husband is F. W. Waldrop of the Guided Missile Development Group.

John Wallace, Design, returned to work May 20 after 11 exciting days in New York City. John must have spent most of his time attending Broadway shows. He saw 'Pal Joey,' 'The King and I,' 'Guys and Dols,' 'The Moon is Blue,' and 'I Am A Camera.' John reports that 'Pal Joey' was a "real snapper." John, incidentally, received his Bachelor of Industrial Design degree from Pratt Institute, Brooklyn, May 29 in absentia. Congratulations.

The conversation in Report Section is liberally sprinkled with words like "hacienda", "serape", "bull fight", "Quilla," and "Monterey" now for a good reason. Mrs. Christine Nannelley, Report section, and husband, Jim Nannelley, Guided Missile Development Group, plan to leave July 4 for Monterey, Mexico for a week in the sun.

Cpls. Vaughn and Rogers, who are collaborating on this column, are assigned to the Design Branch of the Rocket Development Group. Vaughn is a mechanical engineer with a bachelor of science degree from Notre Dame, and has been at Redstone since Sept., 1950. He is originally from Rochester, N.Y.

Rogers came to Redstone in October, 1950. A 1949 graduate of Iowa State College with a degree in aeronautical engineering, he was associated with Boeing Aircraft, Wichita, Kan. prior to entering service. His home is in Arkansas City, Kan.

60 days and \$300 for more than 60 days and overseas duty.

Social security — As before, the government will credit each man in service with \$160 monthly salary in figuring social security benefits.

On-the-job training — Generally, the same, except that the government's contributions will be reduced automatically every four months.

The committee provided special safeguards against abuses which hampered the WWII program. It barred such avocational courses as bar-tending, dancing and personality development. Any flight training would have to lead to a job.

BUFFALO — A friend walked to the judge's bench to testify on the character of a man facing a drunk charge. "He's a good man your honor," said the friend. "You're drunk too," said the judge, "30 days."

CHICAGO — Chronic gum trouble and bad teeth will develop in children who breathe through their mouths, scientists here claim.

NEW YORK — A 30-foot cabin cruiser, the Louis Braille, has braille-marked instruments for seamanship instruction of blind students.

KNOXVILLE — A payroll check withholding statement has "negotiated" here at a gas station. The attendant "cashed" the pay check statement after the owner identified himself.

PLAINFIELD, Ind. — A 14-year old boys' correctional institution escapee knocked on the door after four days of freedom for re-admittance. He had eaten only two apples during his flight.

WASHINGTON — Abraham Lincoln's only book, "Debates," a best seller in 1760, has been added to the Library of Congress. The book concerns the historic debate with Stephen A. Douglas, as recorded by newspaper accounts.

WASHINGTON — A University of Chicago scientist is seeking to aid

in the fight of cancer by experimenting each bodily organ has its own "automatic growth controls."

WASHINGTON — An aircraft magazine says a 24-hour round-the-world flight is within reach, on a pound of fuel; atomic fuel.

LONDON — A portable cocktail cabinet, carried over the shoulder like a handbag, is being exhibited at the British Industries Fair.

LOS ANGELES — Effective treatment for arthritis, bursitis, and gout, is claimed to be given by a Swiss drug, phenylbutazone.

NAPLES, Italy — A Neopoiitan returned to his wife after 39 years absence in America. He went abroad to make his fortune. He returned with \$23,500.

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Civilian Personnel -- No Indefinite Appointments Are Being Converted Now

By H. B. CARPENTER

As a result of the Korean situation, a special agreement was entered into between the Civil Service Commission and the Department of the Army, on July 14, 1950, whereby emergency-indefinite appointments could be made to positions within Army installations.



Such appointments carried a suffix "not to exceed June 30, 1952." This agreement, which was set forth in Civilian Personnel Circular 3, dated Sept. 12, 1950, remained in effect until superseded by Circular 8, dated Nov. 22, 1950.

The purpose of the agreement was to avoid, to the greatest possible extent, an increase in the permanent work force of the Army establishments.

On Dec. 1, 1950 all emergency-indefinite appointments (NTE 6-30-52) were automatically converted

to indefinite appointments without time limitation, and each employee was considered to have begun his trial period as of the date he entered on duty.

Standard Form 50's were not required to effect the conversions. Thus, for all practicable purposes, any present employee who entered on duty with an emergency-indefinite appointment (NTE June 30-52) now has an indefinite appointment without time limitation.

Executive Order 10180, dated Nov. 13, 1950, established new authorities and practices which placed most personnel transactions on a temporary, rather than permanent, basis. This order will remain in effect until specifically rescinded or modified. Thus, under the existing laws, no indefinite appointments are being converted to permanent appointments within the Department of the Army.

If and when such legislation becomes effective, information and instructions regarding conversion to permanent status will be published for all concerned.



"I'm the first pilot on a guided missile!"

From The Chaplain

By REV. L. A. WILLIAMS
Auxiliary Chaplain

In Palestine are two lakes, one of them is known as the Sea of Galilee, the other is named the Dead Sea. The Sea of Galilee, located in the northeast section of the Holy Land, is one of the most beautiful spots in that region.



On the shores of the Sea of Galilee grow prolific vineyards and grassy slopes on which abound a variety of trees and shrubs. Birds sing in the branches of the trees with all kinds of wild flowers blooming underneath. Nearby the lake is teeming with fish, communities, large and small thrive amid the beauty of these shores.

About 150 miles to the south lies the Dead Sea. The Dead Sea is so named because there is no life in it; nor is there life in the surrounding territory. There are no birds singing in the air. There are no trees, no meadows on this barren land. The wild, desolate shores will not support plant or animal life.

One is made to wonder at this contrast of life and death. The answer is not hard to find; for the waters of the Sea of Galilee flow into the Jordan river which in turn empties into the Dead Sea. The Dead Sea has no outlet. It takes in, but gives nothing out.

A fruitful life is one that comes, not by taking in, but by giving out. If we would be happy and spread sunshine round about us, we must share with others. We must serve even to the point of sacrifice.

Indeed! We have no right to criticize the other person for his lack of sharing his life when we have made no effort to make an example of sharing in our own lives. We miss the blessings of life by our failure to create blessings for others. The words of the Apostle Paul, "It is more blessed to give than to receive," is just as true in application to life as they are of possessions.

Chances Are Slim Martians, Venusians Live To Visit Earth

By Armed Forces Press Service
Are we really getting visitors from space?

Do flying saucers exist? Are these reported spinning, disc-shaped objects piloted by intelligent creatures?

The existence of flying saucers may or may not be real, but it's highly improbable that they come from other planets in our solar system. This is the opinion of Dr. Hubertus Strughold, head of the department of Space Medicine at the Air Force School of Aviation

ge Hamby, was discovered on the golf driving range. Each had played miniature golf, but it was their trout on the driving range, and they proved to be very good. Claude may be classed as an expert, for a beginner. After a little practice, he'll be claiming blue ribbons.

Education Center

By CURTIS B. WILLIAMS

Citizenship classes have been scheduled for the University Center, Huntsville, as a public service, according to a recent announcement.



Starting date is June 10. The classes will be of great material help to foreign born personnel who have not gained their American citizenship. For further information contact the Post Education Center, Bldg. 651, Extension 5243, or Mr. Campbell at the University Center.

All applicants for the Summer Quarter of the University Center are reminded that registration for the quarter begins June 9. All military personnel interested in attending under TI & E funding should contact the Education Center immediately.

Every week some soldier is gaining an equivalent of a high school education at the Education Center by taking the high school GED test offered by USAFI.

If you haven't obtained your diploma, come in today. Education Center personnel are willing to show you what courses and tests are available and the procedure for obtaining them.

The two classes in beginning typing are near the half-way mark, and the students appear to be interested in the course. Other courses, to be offered at night, are planned in the near future, possibly in July.

Medicine, Randolph AFB, Tex.

Dr. Strughold believes that temperature considerations and other factors rule out the possibility of life as we know it on any other planet except Mars or Venus.

Primitive cells akin to bacteria known as "aerosols" might conceivably be found floating in the dense upper atmosphere on the planet Venus. No other living matter could have its home on Venus, Dr. Strughold contends.

On Mars there isn't enough oxygen to support any higher forms of plant or animal life. Dr. Strughold thinks it possible that Mars may have a very low form of plant life resembling the lichens and mosses that grow in our desolate arctic regions. These might exist on the oxygen which they produce and store within their own cell structure.

Outside of these possibilities, the solar system is empty of any other life remotely resembling that which exists on earth. The only other place where living creatures might come from, says Dr. Strughold, is from a satellite of Alpha Centauri, which is the nearest star.

And that's a mere 40 trillion miles away.



"Stop asking silly questions and put all your weight behind the drive instead!"

Officers May Transfer To Ordnance, Engineers

WASHINGTON (AFPS) — The Army is accepting applications from its regular officers who wish to transfer to the Ordnance Corps and the Corps of Engineers.

Officers applying for the Ordnance Corps must be in a permanent grade of major or below and possess a degree in engineering, industrial management, metallurgy (physical), physics, chemistry, mathematics, business administration or be a graduate of the U.S. Military Academy.

Officers applying for the Corps of Engineers must be in a permanent grade of captain or below and possess a degree in engineering or related technical fields. Circular 36 outlines the eligibility requirements for both Corps.

A vacuum power brake now used in automobiles can stop an automobile traveling 60 mph in 160 feet. Conventional brakes require 365 feet.

Guided Missile Group

By KITTY HOLLINGSWORTH

It's just the time of the year when everyone is buzzing with ideas and plans for vacationing, and Florida seems to be the most popular vacation spot.



The first person from our branch to carry out those plans was Guy Kay. He left this week for his vacation.

Following him are Ed Scott and C. M. Mason, Florida bound. We're hoping their vacation isn't so enjoyable they forget to return. Vance Harton also left, unexpectedly, for his vacation. Destination—Florida.

What's going on in Bldg. 412? There's a long line of people out waiting their turn to ride the bicycle. It seems there weren't enough bicycles procured to take care of the passengers.

J. C. Hollis requested one bicycle to serve the purpose of transportation for Harry Christian, but Harry seldom gets to use the bicycle, because L. O. Jones and Dave Hoppers are always gone on it.

Wasn't that Florinne Campbell's name on the top of the list of waiting?

There's a peculiar odor in the breeze! It's plans in the pot for a bicycle race!

Joe Broome has returned to work

after jury duty. While on duty, Joe became the possessor of an infected foot, and the result was the loss of two weeks from work.

Who's the man in the Tool Crib born under a lucky star? After winning check pools, raffles, etc. who could it be but Mr. Clay? It seems useless for anyone to take a chance.

There's a rumor that Betty Matthews is in the market for a box. Can someone help her?

Harry Christian, Bob Leming, and Vernon Benson, may very well be described by the adjective "mischievous". The number of jokes played on their fellow workers, by the above named, it countless. Be careful, you may be the next guinea pig.

A ball and chain was lying on the floor of the Tool Crib for a week, but come Saturday morning, Vance Harton gathered it up again. Vance was a free man for one week. Poor Vance! His wife, Nancy, returned Saturday after a visit with her mother in Tennessee.

Congratulations to Loyd Holloway, the succeeding Chairman of the Safety Committee. The retiring chairman, Al Conder, is leaving Monday for a trip to California accompanied by James Finley, and Bill Craddock.

Some unknown talent, in the form of Claude DeLaBar, Robert McLeod, Bill Abernathy, and Geor-

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Words are inadequate when one attempts to describe the struggles and sacrifices of a previous generation. But, too often the written word is the only medium by which the pioneer lives and conditions can be described.

Henceforth, we extend the sincerest congratulations to those who have spent years in research and have prepared comprehensive studies of conditions throughout the years.

For the benefit of those who have just come into our com-

munities to reside, as well as for those who always enjoy refreshing their memories on these subjects, we hope that the material reproduced from varying sources will be of interest to them.

We wish to give credit to James R. Record for his "Report on Madison County," from which we have secured material, and also wish to admit that the following pages would have been almost impossible without the assistance of the "Early History of Huntsville, Alabama" by Edward Chambers Betts

(Continued from last week)
Education Money

On Dec. 13, 1816, the Legislature appropriated for the academy the sum of \$500. from the funds in the Territorial Treasury. This, and the other moneys raised by lottery for the construction of academy buildings, remained unused for some time; the business of housing the institution not being completed until 1819, presumably from a lack of adequate funds.

The aid necessary for the erection of buildings was provided by the Territorial Legislature, by act of Nov. 21, 1818, whereby the Planters' and Merchants' Bank at Huntsville was authorized to increase its capital stock, and sell the increase at public auction. Ninety per cent of the profits or excess arising from such sales went to the academy.

The profits accruing from the sale the stock were \$2,000. This, together with the other moneys on hand constructed the academy buildings, on a lot on the northeast corner, at the intersection of E. Clinton and Calhoun St.

Leads In Field

Though without buildings of its own during these years, Green Academy had been doing good work in the field of education.

For a long number of years it was the only institution affording advanced education in the northern part of the state. Here most of the prominent men in this part of the country were trained.

It was virtually without competition and had none greater in its field of service until the state university was established and well under way.

Pres. Jackson Visits

Religious and fraternal as well as social, organizations were beginning to be seen also. The Huntsville Masonic Lodge was the first chartered in the state, having operated continuously under a dispensation from the Grand Lodge of Kentucky, granted it in 1811. President Jackson, while on his frequent visits to Huntsville, often attended the meetings of the lodge, in its temple located on Lincoln St. at the corner of Williams St.

During the period around 1820 the town of Huntsville proper had a white population of 833 and was veritably the center of population. The commercial interests of the community developed apace with its advance in population, and a healthy condition of thrift and prosperity attended all business interests.

Industry Varied

Diversified industry was not lacking; every character of enterprises from the brewing of beer by W. M. McNeil and Co., to the tanning of leather by Martin Miller, was to be found here, including Keys' and Wells' "New Boot and Shoe Manufactory" and the "Huntsville Hat Manufactory", operated by R. H. Champion on Bank Row; also "Watch and Clock Making" by Thomas Cain and Co; as well as the manufacture of "copper stills", which, judging from the number of firms engaged therein, were in pretty general use.

In addition to these industries, others similar in nature, were operated by competitors of the firms named. Many others of varied and different character supplied the needs of this part of the state.

A "Candle Manufactory" was operated by I. Windham on the lot at the intersection of E. Clinton and Green Sts., on the southwest corner. Pumps were also manufactured to be used in connection with the water works system already established in the town.

New Factories

During the next 15 years there were erected some large factories, which turned out in quantities, far in excess of the demands of the local market, commodities necessary to the industry and life of the South in the early part of 1834, a plant for the manufacture of plows was owned and operated by E. T. and R. Parker. This firm enjoyed an extensive business for a number of years, and supplied the trade over

an extended area.

During the latter part of this period, new enterprises continued to invade the field of industry. One of many such which had been in

operation here for years, was a coach factory, established some time prior to April, 1851.

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Huntsville Celebrates It's

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"Bell Factory"

The most noteworthy single industrial development of the times was the "Bell Factory". Though cotton had, as we have seen, been converted into yarn for domestic uses, not until 1832, when "Patton-Donagan and Company" was incorporated for the manufacture of cotton cloth, was the raw product converted on a large scale for commercial purposes.

The company's plant was situated about ten miles northeast of Huntsville, on its own lands, at what was called Bell Factory on Flint River. The power used in the operation of the 3,000 spindles and 100 looms of this mill, was that furnished by jamming the water of Flint, and forcing it over a wheel or turbine. Steam not being used in its operation, signals could not be given by whistle, and so large bell was used; hence the name "Bell Factory".

This was the first cotton manufactory of any consequence in the South. Slave labor was used almost exclusively in its operation. In later years, economic forces, drove this industry from its field of usefulness and its operation was discontinued.

Expansion Noted
In the period between 1850 and 1860 Huntsville had three weekly newspapers; The Southern Advocate, The Huntsville Independent, and

The Huntsville Democrat; four architects, 24 lawyers, three brick manufactories, three hotels, 12 doctors, a bank with a capital of \$500,000; seven schools, two stage lines, two civil engineers, two saloons, one cotton and woolen manufactory, one cotton gin manufactory, one flour mill and other industries and enterprises too numerous to mention. This shows the thrift and stability of the commercial development of the town.

New Courthouse
Many beautiful homes had been erected in this period, and even a new courthouse at the cost of \$52,000. This handsome building was a monument to the skill and ingenuity of George Steele, a local architect. Contractors were William Wilson and James Mitchell. The material for the building came from the county. The brick was made by the blue limestone rock used was quarried from Monte Sano, and Russell's Hill, respectively.

The home of the First National Bank, so striking in its dignified simplicity, is no less a monument to the talent of George Steele, than was the courthouse. This striking edifice, which added so much to the charm of the community, was erected in 1836, at a cost of \$76,000 as the abode of the Huntsville Branch of the State Bank. It is said to have been by far the handsomest building in this part of the South.
Rivers Used



Huntsville's world famous P...
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Being settled before the day of railroads, Huntsville and Madison County likewise resorted to Waterways for commercial intercourse with the outside world. Almost contemporaneously with the production of cotton in the county, Flint and Paint Rock rivers were used to transport this commodity to the New Orleans market.

Flat boats or barges were loaded with cotton and floated down these streams to the Tennessee river.

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and there reloaded on to large boats, which proceeded to New Orleans. Often times these river boats, when discharged of their cargo, were reloaded with provisions and supplies for the settlement and then poled or pushed up the Flint and Paint Rock rivers to their starting point.

These sections of the county not far from a stream, hauled cotton bales to Ditto's Landing and then, on the Tennessee, where it

was stored on large flat boats to await the coming of the freshets, usually in the spring.

It was necessary to hold the cargoes until the river rose, in order that the boats might be floated over Muscle Shoals.

River Pilots

Pilots were taken on at Ditto's Landing or Decatur, and remained with the crew until the rough waters of the shoal had been passed. For which services they usually received from \$175 to \$200. After crossing the shoals these river navigators would leave the boat to proceed on to its trip to New Orleans, and walk back to the shipping point, from whence they had embarked. Usually two trips a year were made by each pilot.

The expense to the freighter of transporting to market a cargo of cotton, consisting usually of four hundred bales, was approximately \$600. The carriage charge to the shipper was from \$4 to \$5 per bale, and he assumed all risks of loss by water. River navigation furnished the only means of transportation

until the coming of the railroads to this section many years later.

Triana Booms

These were boom days for Triana. Many cotton freighters maintained offices there. Judging from the many firms engaged in this business, competition was very keen.

The feverish speculation in land having subsided, there followed naturally in its wake development of the county's resources and internal improvements. By 1828 the county had a good road network connecting on all sides with roads from other sections of this and the adjoining state of Tennessee.

Many of these roads were toll or turn-pike roads, built by stock companies, chartered by the Legislature. Leading thoroughfares were, from time to time, designated by the Postoffice Dept. as post roads or mail routes, and by virtue of such selection became the main highways between the "great centers of population."

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Society



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EMPLOYEES WED—Mr. and Mrs. Robert M. Burlison are shown following their marriage May 10 at the First Baptist Church in Huntsville. The bride is the former Miss Anita Gilbert, Rohm and Haas employe, and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Gilbert of Parish, Ala. Mr. Burlison is employed in the Rocket Development Group, and is the son of Dr. and Mrs. J. M. Burlison of Johnson City, Tenn. They are residing at 311 S. Lincoln St., in Huntsville. (Photo by Jimmy Gill Studio.)

Betty Gooch To Head Epsilon Sigma Alpha

Miss Betty Gooch, USA Infirmery employe, was installed as president of the Alpha Delta chapter of Epsilon Sigma Alpha sorority at a dinner meeting May 27 in the Red Room of the Russel Erskine Hotel

in Huntsville. Mrs. Leonard Schreiber, S-1 employe and retiring president, was the installing officer.

All of the other officers installed at this meeting are arsenal employes. Mrs. Aldredge Stephenson of Post Ordnance is the vice-president, Mrs. Dorothy Blackburn of Salvage is corresponding secretary, Miss Helen Maddox of Technical and Engineering Division is recording secretary, and Miss Chris Maddox of S-2 is the treasurer.

Mrs. E. H. Fohrell, Jr., Mail and Records employe, was in charge of the arrangements for the meeting. The sorority colors were used in the table decorations with a bowl of blue carnations and yellow candles burning in crystal candelabra. Miniature yellow candles with blue place cards marked the places for 15 guests.

It was voted to adjourn for the summer months, and resume the meetings in September.

Mr. and Mrs. John Lemons, Huntsville, announce the birth of Kathy Florette on May 19. The baby weighed five and one-half pounds. Mr. Lemons is an employe of the Thiokol Corp.



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Personals

Mr. and Mrs. E.H. Burr and daughters Linda and Diane of Evansville, Ind. were May 31 weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Albright, 1611 Alabama Ave., Huntsville. Mr. Albright is safety director at the arsenal.

Miss Mary Ellen Horn, Montgomery, was a May 31 weekend guest of Mr. and Mrs. Deward Brown, 401 California St., Huntsville. Both Mr. and Mrs. Brown are arsenal employes.

More than 80 persons attended the "School Days" dance May 24 at the Officers Open Mess, when the officers assigned to the Provisional Redstone Ordnance School were the hosts. During the intermission, a quintet composed of Lts. Rodney Stewart, Victor Caruso, Cecil L. Ramsey, Lewis Garber, and Kenneth Ahl, sang the "School Song" which was written by Lt. James McNulty. Lt. Stewart also sang a solo, "Columbus." Charlie Prince's orchestra furnished the music for dancing.

Stanley Veatch, 1706 Alabama Ave., Huntsville, was a May 31 visitor in Nashville. Mr. Veatch is an arsenal employe.

Personnel of the 3523 ASU enjoyed a barbecue May 29 at the post swimming pool.

Lt.-Col. and Mrs. Henry R. Jordan, and children, Quarters A-125 are spending leave at Jacksonville Beach, Fla.

Personnel of the Budget and Fiscal Section honored Leslie Fisk at a farewell dinner and dance May 23 in the Blue Room of the Russel Erskine Hotel in Huntsville. Mr. Fisk has been employed as assistant chief of the Fiscal Section. Robert Stultz was master of ceremonies. More than 40 persons attended.

Lawrence Craig of the Budget and Fiscal Section has returned from four months at Ft. Benjamin Harrison, Ind. where he attended Accounting School.

Mrs. Emil Tolonen and son have returned from Detroit to their home at 1618 Thornton Cir., Huntsville. Mr. Tolonen is associated with the Army Audit Agency at the arsenal

Miss Gwen McCafferty of Anderson, Ala., who has been employed in the Management Improvement Section, resigned May 29, and will be married in June to George Sanders, aviation machinist third class, of Tallahassee, Fla. After a honeymoon in North Carolina, the couple will reside in Memphis where the bridegroom-to-be is stationed.

Ladies Bridge Club will meet at 12:30 p.m. June 5 at the Officers Open Mess with Mrs. Henry Parker at Huntsville 1916-J. and Mrs. Thomas C. McOsker at Extn. 3-2229 as the hostesses. Those who plan



WILL WED JUNE 15—Plans were announced here this week for the approaching marriage of Miss Ann Parker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Parker of Lancaster, Pa. and Pfc. Samuel D. Albrecht 9330 TSU, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Albrecht, Ohio, Ill. The wedding will take place June 15 at the Wesley Foundation in Urbana, Ill.

to attend should call one of the hostesses so that even tables may be arranged.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil B. Estes, Jr. are the parents of a daughter, Rebecca, born May 26 at Whitaker's Clinic, Huntsville. They have an older daughter, Susan Lynn. Mr. Estes is the chief of the technical branch, National Guided Missile Explosive Component Control Point.

Parker - Albrecht Wedding Is Set

Mr. and Mrs. William Parker of Lancaster, Pa. announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Ann, and Pfc. Samuel D. Albrecht 9330 TSU, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Albrecht, Ohio, Ill. The wedding is set for 7 p.m. June 15 at the Wesley Foundation Chapel in Urbana, Ill. with Dr. Paul Burt officiating.

Miss Parker will be a June graduate of the University of Illinois, Urbana, with a bachelor of science degree in languages. Pfc. Albrecht is assigned to the Guidance and Control Branch of the Guided Missile Development Group, and holds a bachelor of science degree in mechanical engineering from the University of Illinois.

With the exception of William Parker, Jr. who will be one of the ushers, all of the attendants are University of Illinois students or graduates. Miss Martha Parker will be the maid of honor, and Miss Jean Olfen and Miss Orpha Crook will be the bridesmaids.

Harold Gunther will serve Pfc. Albrecht as best man, and William Parker, Jr. and Ivan Dremann will be the ushers.

The reception following the ceremony will be given in the rose garden of the bride-elect's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Johnson, in near-by Campaign, Ill.

On their return from a wedding trip, the couple will reside in Huntsville.

Spring fashions in Paris, this year, includes the "gypsy look," one large earring worn in the left ear.

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In power and size it has grown and flourished, but its glorious traditions remain intact. Established originally as 10 rifle companies by order of the Continental Congress, the Army was soon put under the command of General George Washington. Around this nucleus was built the victorious Army that won the Revolutionary War.

Things changed a great deal during the years that followed. After the Revolutionary War, for example, the Army comprised a force of only 80 men, a company raised by Alexander Hamilton.

The Navy and Marine Corps were disbanded following the war and reestablished several years later. Thus, the Army is the only branch of the Armed Services that has served continuously since it was established.

This same 80-man unit is still on active duty. Known as Battery D, 5th Field Artillery Bn., it is now serving in Europe as part of the 1st Infantry Div.

Some Army units on active duty can trace their history back to 1672 when they were part of the British Militia. Four of these units are in the 102nd and 169th Infantry Regts. and the 192nd and 963rd Field Artillery Bns.

Now a growing Service that will soon reach 20 full divisions and 1,500,000 men, the spirit of the U.S. Army remains unchanged. The years have passed, the faces are different but the same valor that was shown at Valley Forge and Yorktown, Getysburg and San Juan Hill, St. Lo and Okinawa is distinguishable today in the bunkers and ridges of Korea.



STAIRS BUILT IN 1841—The circular, winding stairway, located in the central hall of Quarters 811, is the one of the unusual features of this ante-bellum plantation home. Mrs. Robert J. Walsh, whose home it is at the present time, is shown descending the stairs that are made of solid walnut and cherry woods. Hand-carved bannisters and carved stringers on the outer carriage decorate the stairs, which sweep in a 180 degree turn to the second floor of the old mansion. (U. S. Army Photograph by G. B. Schlotterback.)

Ante-Bellum Home On Post Holds Famed Curving Stairs

"Oh, you mean the house with the circular stairway—the Col. Lee home," is the first comment people make when soft-speaking Mrs. Robert J. Walsh tells where she lives on Redstone Arsenal.

The famous stairway is not all that people have to say about the spacious old plantation home. listed on the post as Quarters 811.

Shaded by one of the oldest and largest pecan trees in Madison County, with holly, fig, and cedar trees growing about it, tales persist that this was a contact point for the "underground railroad" during the days of the Civil War. Authentic sources claim that this

is truly a figment of imaginations as the house was far off the "beaten track." The family living there then had no kin engaged in local campaigns, and it was neither a Confederate nor Union headquarters. For the information of newcomers to Redstone, it is located six miles southwest of Post Headquarters on Buxton Rd.

Not until 1941 did the Army enter the picture where this house is concerned. At that time it was taken over by the Army on the activation of the Gulf Chemical Depot, a sub-command of Huntsville Arsenal. The house was converted into offices and utilized as Depot Headquarters.

When the Chemical Corps decided to abandon its facilities at Huntsville in 1948, this house was among the properties turned over to the Ordnance Corps, and it became a part of the Redstone reservation. It was then renovated for the purpose originally intended—a home.

The original three-room house is built of bricks which were brought from Chattanooga by flatboat on the Tennessee to near-by Ditto's Landing. Slaves carried the bricks to the building site and construction started in 1818.

The first owner, a Mr. Cooper, died in 1834. In 1840, his widow married a neighbor, Col. Houston Lee, thus joining their plantations and slaves making a total of 2000 acres and 36 slaves.

In 1841 the Lees built the large two-story frame section which contains the stairway in a central hall. The original brick house was joined to this by a covered porch.

Curving gracefully in a 180 degree sweep, the staircase of solid cherry and walnut woods rises in a 30-foot stairwell, the smooth, cream-colored plaster wall on the right its only support. So carefully was it put together that even today it does not shake or give with weight.

Wooden pegs and wrought iron nails hold the wood of the stairs together, and some of the original wide-planked flooring in the rooms is still there, laid in place with the same kind of pegs and nails.

The construction is especially remarkable considering the labor and tools available at that time. The delicately hand carved banisters, the outside stringer of the carriage

Post Ordinance

By WANDA PALMER

Parties make the world go round and CWO Henry W. Behr's transfer to Germany gave Post Ordinance a good reason for some long needed recreation. A chicken dinner and juke box

dance at Cameron's on Friday May 23rd brought out seventy people. The chicken was good, the speeches short and full of praise for Mr. Behr. Mrs. Behr was given a corsage which was pinned on by Mr. McNaron who seemed to be a little nervous.

During all of this a few dear friends shed a couple of tears then everyone forgot the sad moment and let their hair down and the fun really started!

The dance floor and shoes had to be cooled off after two hours and some reliable sources report that the real show started after midnight.

"Flossie" Palmerlee will never forget this party because her boyfriend was in a good mood that night. Incidentally, I understand she stayed a long time after he left. He had to leave a little early.

A few old-timers who dropped in during the evening were Mildred Kilgore, Juanita Cope, Lewis Sis-co, Tom Shrou and Mr. Bock. I don't know what time they dropped out.

Just when everyone was about

adorned with carving, wide stair treads, all enhance the beauty of the curving stairs. It is one of the unusual architectural features of this ante-bellum home.

The square-columned front porch first had a floor made of cedar logs placed on end and fitted together to form a pattern. This floor has since been covered with bricks.

Thus the house exists today as a monument to the craftsmen of 134 years ago. Lt. Col. and Mrs. Walsh, and daughters Bonnie, Nancy, and Shirley Ann now occupy the quarters.

to call it quits someone closed their eyes, stuck a nickel in the juke box and came out with the Mexican hat dance. You can imagine what new energy this aroused.

Mr. Wieseman was reported as the one that finally closed the doors and then he wasn't ready but didn't think that he would enjoy it alone.

It was a sad looking bunch that returned to work the following Saturday (at least the ones that were able) but most of them admit that it was well worth while. Everyone is now looking forward to the next event which promises to be even more fun.

FRANKFURT, GY. — Forty-nine million West Germans last year drank 11.6 million gallons of beer. In 1950 the consumption was 9.2 millions. The pre-war high was 22.5 millions in 1929, consumed by 65 million people.

The new parson took up a collection to send a couple of missionaries to the South Seas. The richest parishioner refused to give. "I don't like the idea of sending them out there," said the important man.

"Ah, remember how the Lord commanded us to feed the hungry."

"To be sure, to be sure," the parishioner rejoined, "but can't they find any cheaper food than missionaries?"

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Manufacturing Division Drops Thiokol In Second Round Softball Opener, 2-0

Leaders Win 10 Of First 11

The Manufacturing Division's softball team is as hot as a pop corn popper in a corn field on an August afternoon.

Under the leadership of James Talley and Charlie Sneed, the team completed the first round in the Redstone Soft ball League by winning 10 out of 11 games played.

The only team that holds a victory over the Manufacturing team is 9330th Ne .1. They won the game

Arsenal Baseball Team Will Play New Hope At Optimist Park

The Redstone Arsenal baseball team will make a home appearance June 6 at Optimist Park when it meets New Hope.

The team played Gadsden at Gadsden on May 24 and wound up on the short end of a 20-14 final score. On May 23 the team played Douglas at Optimist Park and lost 12-6.

Holiday, Rain Interrupts Play

Rain and a holiday put a stop to most of the games scheduled in the opening of the second round of the Redstone Softball League last week.

Evenso, the top running Manufacturing Division team continued its fast pace with another win, and in doing so turned back third-place Thiokol which has an eye on regaining the top slot.

behind some good pitching by Verble, 5-0. Verble also connected for a home run.

On the bright side of the picture for the Manufacturing team, Sam Brown, ace pitcher, has won six games in a row. He has good control, and a baffling fast ball.

Another good pitcher on the team is Fred Wells. His record consists of four victories and one defeat. Wells is a good hitter, and has one home run to his credit. He has pitched one shutout.

The Manufacturing team has averaged nine runs per game, to their opponents three.

Ty Samples leads the team in runs made, while hitting safely 17 times out of 39 times at the plate. He has scored 14 runs. James Talley leads in home runs, hitting seven round-trippers.

William Battles has the highest batting average, having been at the plate four times and collecting three hits for an average of .750. James Talley is second, with an average of .533, and is followed by George Foster who has an average of .500. Tobie Gray places fourth for an average of .444, while Ty Samples is fifth, with .436.

Other averages are as follows: William McCracken .400, Fred Mance .385, Loren Tuck .364, Fred Medlen .353, Jack Troupe .352, Fred Wells .304, Sam Brown .294, Charles Chittam .286, Vernon Nunley .267, R .Talley .162, Finley .112, and Ed Meadows, who has failed to connect.

The second round is to get under way at Redstone this week, and the competition will be plenty rough the rest of the season. The interest in softball will become more tense as the season goes along.

Rocket Sports Head Designed By Chandler

The Redstone Rocket owes another debt of gratitude to Bill Chandler of Management Improvement. Bill designed for The Rocket's sports page the new standing head first used last week.

The new head is representative of the major sports engaged in at the arsenal, and by arsenal person-



Football Coaches

The football rush is on again. Not the skull sessions, scrimmages and practice games. We refer to the rush of weary and embittered coaches leaving the game to younger aspirants for vacated positions. Colleges are in their annual search for replacements.

Colgate recently announced the appointment of 37-year old Hal Lehar "after more than 90 men were considered for the post, with everyone being measured against the same list of qualifications." The question is, what sort of qualifications force such noted coaches as Henry Frnka (Tulane), Blair Cherry (Texas), Bernie Bierman (Minnesota) and Jeff Cravath (Southern California) to quit the game they've been part of for years?

HENRY Frnka is a case in point. After apprenticing in Texas prep schools and Vanderbilt University, he went to Tulsa University early in WWII. A combination of 4-F's and green inexperienced youngsters was his challenge—and he won.

In five years his teams won 37, lost five and tied one game, and played five consecutive bowl games. His reward was the athletic directorship and head football coaching job at Tulane.

The first three years at Tulane

Switching Around

his teams won 20 of 29. Then the Green Wave slowed to a trickle; material was spotty and the schedule was tough.

Defeats came more often and the alumni began to rant. "Big-time football" and winning teams were their desire and Frnka's magic just had to work.

It didn't and he quit New Orleans for a quieter spot at tiny Austin College, Sherman, Tex. There he's vice president in charge of promotion, and is happier.

Oklahoma's Bud Wilkinson brought national prominence to the Sooners the last five years.

Stu Hilcombe boosted Purdue's stock in 1950 and 1951. Both were rewarded with 10-year contracts.

But the rush is still on in the other schools. Spring football is underway.

Little Jimmy's father found him in the barn shaking his pet rabbit and saying, "Five and five. How much are five and five?"

The surprised father finally interrupted the proceedings: "What's the meaning of all this, Jimmy?"

"Oh," said Jimmy, "Teacher told us that rabbits multiply fast but this fellow can't even add."

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By PAT CRICK

Celestial Sequences: When a fellow sees a pretty girl he sees "stardust". When he marries her he may see "stars" from the pots and pans she thrills. And sometimes the family addition is referred to as a "bundle from heaven". Coasting along in this sequence is the Pilot Line as follows: Harold Ortnier has finally talked the young lady into setting the date sometime in July. James McCulley is just now announcing his recent marriage. Seems Mrs. McCulley wanted to get her high school "degree" before she announced her "M-R-S" degree.

Joe Light, Mech. Eng. recently went to the doctor for an eye injury. Light has acquired a home site on Monte Sano and, in completing his house, became a bit too enthusiastic with the tools.

Thiokol welcomes the following new employees: Horace I. Bomar, resident of Huntsville and draftsman in Mech. Eng.; Dorothy Yell, Accounting. Dorothy is wife of Billy Ray Yell in Testing Department. June Mullins hails from Toney, Ala. and is lending a hand in Purchasing. Harry C. Rice has been with Thiokol previously and in the school months resumes his teaching profession. Rice is from Huntsville and will be found in the Welding Shop.

You can always recognize the employe heading out for that vacation. His step is light and quick. But when he returns—the footsteps are slow and dragging.

Wilodene Butler, Purchasing, came back from Florida with a nice tan varying in shades from dark brown on the legs to a healthy tan on the arms and an anemic glow on the face.

Marilyn Mirth, also of Purchasing, departed for her home in Kokomo, Ind. for a week of vacationing, spending, and attending. Marilyn plans to buy and plan for that future wedding date in July. And is attending the wedding of a friend and taking in some pointers for the time when she and Hans Eckhardt, Chem. Eng., "middle-aisle" it.

Joe Ward will leave for Indiana and points north this week. Ward plans a hop over to Chicago to introduce his children to Lake Michigan, the zoo, and the museums.

Ruth Kate Logan has just returned from a trip to the Smokies. Says there is nothing like it!

Lucy Payne, Acct., and husband, Bob of ORC, accompanied by two other couples took in a weekend of fishing at Panama City Beach. Lucy claims a catch of 98 fish!

John L. Williams advises there is some good fishing in the Big Spring but you have to watch the police in the daytime and the cars at night—in short there's a "catch" to everything. (This information is printed for the future reference of Bob Brooks, Testing foreman. If Williams turns up missing, Bob, try



REDSTONE LEAGUE LEADERS—The arsenal Manufacturing Division softball club has swept aside almost all its opponents in the first round of loop play to compile a record of 10 wins against one loss. Team members from left to right in the front row are: William A. Battles, Fred Mance,

Vernon Nunley, Ed Meadows, George Foster, Jack Troupe, and Fred Medlen. Those in the back row are: Ty Samples, Roy Talley, William E. McCracken, Tobie Gray, C. W. Sneed, manager, Fred Wells, Loren Tuck, Sam Brown and James Talley, field manager. (U. S. Army Photograph)

July 19, 1950.

Originally from Milwaukee, Wis., Col. Beyma was graduated from the United States Military Academy in 1934 with a bachelor of science degree. He also had a master's degree in science from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

From 1949 to 1950, he continued his graduate study by doing work in physics at the University of Chicago. The departing Redstone officer has also attended Marquette University, and the Industrial College of the Armed Forces, Washington, D.C.

After graduating from West Point, Col. Beyma was assigned as a math instructor and later as a battery officer with a Coast Artillery unit in the Hawaiian Islands. During World War II he was an ordnance officer with the 93rd Infantry Division. In 1944, he was stationed with the Iceland Base Command and Normandy Base Section.

After overseas duty, he was assigned in Washington, D. C., as chief of the military plans division in the Office, Chief of Ordnance.

Sports Quiz

By AFPS
QUESTIONS

1—Which of the major sports attracts the greatest number of spectators?

2—Does the Kentucky Derby take its name from (a) an 18th century English nobleman; (b) the type of hat commonly worn at the event; (c) the site of a prominent British track?

3—When Primo Carnera fought in 1933, their combined weight set a record for two boxing opponents. Was the total poundage (a) 425, (b) 470, (c) 488, (d) 525 or (e) 610?

4—Has a modern major league pitcher ever gone unbeaten in a full season for more than 10 decisions?

5—Carl Hubbell's outstanding pitching feat in the majors was in the 1934 all-star game when he struck out five of the top American League sluggers in succession.

6—In an old movie called "Who were they?"

7—Who holds the scoring record for a single season in professional basketball?

8—With which sport are the Hart, Ross, Lady Byng, Calder and Vezina Trophies associated?

9—Who besides Bobby Jones has won the British and American amateur golf titles and the U.S. Open Golf championship?

ANSWERS

1—Including high school games, basketball is tops. without those figures, baseball attracts the most. Bowling has the most participants.

2—(a) The 12th Earl of Derby instituted an annual race for three-year-olds in 1780.

3—(c) Carnera weighed 259 and Uzudun weighed 229 pounds. Total: 488.

4—Yes, Tom Zachary, with the 1929 Yankees, won 12, lost 0

5—Ruth, Gehrig, Foxx, Simmons

breed, named Heddie's Favorite.

Then to add to our sorrows there was the case of mistaken identities. We reported Jack Archer and Curt Ramey as requesting female companionship. That should have been Lawrence Lacey instead of Curt Ramey and since Lacey is Lacey instead of Ramey we apologize to both Lacey and Ramey for confusing Ramey with Lacey. (We hope that clears up the confusion but we doubt it!)

As you probably know, JATO is abbreviation for Jet-Assisted-Take-Off. Thiokol's city league softball team has adopted "Jato" as its name and if you want to see some jet-take-off playing come on out and watch the team play.

Col. Beyma Gets Watertown Duty

Col. Severin R. Beyma, who was formerly chief of the Technical and Engineering Division, is being transferred to Watertown Arsenal, Watertown, Mass.

At Redstone, Col. Beyma was first assigned as chief of the Ordnance Rocket Center, the parent organization of today's Rocket Div. corp. He reported to the arsenal

and Cronin, in that order.

6—Max Baer was the leading man and Primo Carnera the other actor. 7—George Mikan scored 1,932 points in 1950-51 in the National Basketball Association.

8—National Hockey League trophies for more valuable player; leading scorer; sportsmanship; rookie-of-the-year, and least goals allowed by a goalie in the season, in that order.

9—Lawson Little won the U.S. and British Amateurs in 1934 and 1935 and the U.S. Open in 1940.

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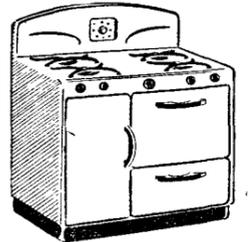
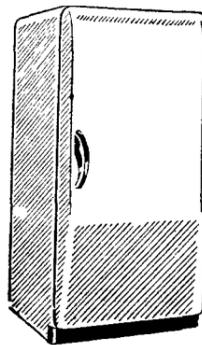
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Great Lakes Are Spilling As Ice Age Weight Lifts

Nature, man's ally in many battles, threatens him in the Great Lakes region of the U. S. The Great Lakes are brimming over. Owners of property on the west and south shores are confronted with rising water levels that so far have inundated many areas.

Worse yet, all the dams, canals, dikes and dredging done by man in the region have affected the water depths by only a few inches in the past century.

Born of the melting ice age, the Great Lakes contain half the earth's fresh water, according to the National Geographic Society.

Enough water to cover the continental U. S. with 18 feet of water lies behind the hard-rock sills of Niagara Falls.

More than 212,000 cubic feet of water a second flows into Lake Ontario from the falls.

Cause of the serious change in the water level is the gradual tilting of the earth's surface around the deep-cradled waters. North and east of the lakes the land is lifting, recovering from a massive depression made by the crushing weight of the great ice cap.

South and west of the lakes the earth is sinking.

Pushed down in one region, the lake's surface rises in another. Fluctuations continue in the lakes' levels daily.

In the past year the waters have risen four feet above normal. Their 325,000-square mile watershed steadily feeds during spring thaws from the heavy snow areas.

So far, no solution has been found for the problem.

Post Headquarters

By MONA KING

The Mail and Records Section is one of the busiest places at headquarters. Every piece of mail going or coming in or out of the arsenal, goes through M & R. There is always something going on in there.



Elna Sanderson left May 16 to devote full time to rearing her offspring, a five-year old daughter. She left quite a gap and will be missed in M&R. As a result of Elna's resignation there is quite a switch.

Catherine Sandlin has replaced Elna, Flossie Harless replaced Catherine in M&R Library and Mrs. Patton replaced Flossie in the crypt . . . er, I mean vault. By the way, there is a very appropriate motto in the vault hanging over a desk. It says, "Why be difficult when with a little effort you can be impossible."

Joyce White is going to meet her husband in Springfield Mass., June 6 to accompany him back to Huntsville. He is in the Air Force and is stationed at Harmon AFB, Newfoundland. Since he has only an 18-day furlough, she is meeting him.

M&R has thrown out the welcome mat to Jean Baker, a tall dark brunette. While in M&R-Sally Fohrell certainly looks chipper after her recent vacation.

Bill Johnson, is one of the mail carriers. If he is on your mail run you will know him. He always believes in service with a smile and sometimes a song. Incidentally, Bill is trying to find himself a good press agent to further a singing career. In case any of you are interested in the job, he has wide experience in that field. He once sang at the Tutwiler.

There is a new employe Logistics by the name of William C. Benton. Mr. Benton is from Lakeland, Florida and has been employed as a statistician since May 28.

We owe an apology to Mr. Leslie Mathis of Logistics for inferring that he had to pay in order to go fishing with Bingham and Fleming. The truth of the matter, according to Mr. Mathis, is that he was paid to join the party due to his technical knowledge concerning the subject of fishing. He is also considering suing Paul McClung (MIB) for libel since he was responsible for the original report in the last column. Mr. McClung failed to mention that he too, was a member of the luckless party.

The first US. alcohol tax, levied in 1791, resulted in the Whiskey Rebellion.



Dream Girl

Combat correspondents of the 1st Marine Air Wing in Korea have picked Mary Castle as their "Number-One Dream Girl." The scribes couldn't have a more fitting title. The 21-year-old redhead, who is a dead ringer for Rita Hayworth, will appear in a series of dream sequences as the No. 1 gal for a group of frontline infantrymen in the Stanley Kramer production of "The Dirty Dozen." The Texas-born, gray-green-eyed actress was chosen for the part over 200 Hollywood beauties

and lived to squeak about it.

WALNUT GROVE, Calif. — When informed her niece had stowed away on an Air Force bomber from Sacramento to Guam, an aunt sighed, "This generation has got me licked."

SINGAPORE — Custom officers were puzzled here by a pair of shoes found to contain \$500 in gold. No one claimed the shoes, they fitted no one. No arrests were made, but the gold was confiscated.

RICHMOND, Va. — A railroad board of directors member recently missed a board member. His plane was grounded.

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Robert A. Lovett

By Armed Forces Press Service (This is the first in a series of articles dealing with the nation's top Defense leaders.)

Secretary of the Defense Robert A. Lovett, was appointed to his present post after a career in a vocation, banking, and government service. He was appointed from his tasks as deputy secretary on the resignation of George C. Marshall in September.

A native of Huntsville, Tex., Secretary Lovett attended Yale University, Harvard Law School and Harvard Graduate School of Business Administration.

He joined the Aerial Coast Patrol in 1916 and received his Navy wings in 1917 as an ensign in the U. S. Naval Reserve Force. He went to France and won his wings as a French military aviator and established a U. S. Naval Air Service Flying School. For participating in bombing missions against enemy submarine bases and other installations he was awarded the Navy Cross.

Secretary Lovett entered the investment business in 1921, but his travels abroad kept him in close contact with developments in European aviation.

In 1940 he joined the government service as Special Assistant to the Secretary of War. A year later he became Assistant Secretary of War for Air, serving in this capacity throughout W. W. II. For this work he was awarded the Distinguished Service Medal.

From July 1947 to January 1949 he was Under Secretary of State for Secretary Marshall.

On Sept. 17, Mr. Lovett was sworn in as Secretary of Defense.

Old Lady: "When I was a little girl I washed my face five times a day."

Little Girl: "Yes, and now look

NEW YORK — Promoting a and managing various types of contests are the businesses of certain firms here.

Tidbits From Nation's Press

HARTFORD — A state motor vehicles inspector told the driver of a car with whom he was living, "your driving is first-rate." "Good," said the driver, "I think I'll apply for a license."

MOBILE — A 72-year old Spanish war veteran has been jailed on a bigamy charge. His fifth and illegal wife, recently gave birth to a girl.

LONDON — Moving nudes under too bright lights in girlie shows have been attacked by the Public Morality Council.

MOUND CITY, ILL. (AFPS — No sign of recognition passed between Rev. J. H. Copeland and his 28-year old son Thomas when they met in court here. Copeland, a justice of the peace, fined his son \$32.20 for disorderly conduct.

VALLEY STREAM, N. Y. — A 70-year old man asphyxiated here when he placed a whole boiled Easter egg in his mouth.

Science has given a new twist to the possible answers to the aged query, "are you a man or a mouse?" After all mice are the only living creatures which have taken a rocket ride 80 miles up

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