

Summertime Work Hours Seems Unofficial Favorite

A middle-of-the-poll, unofficial check of the voting by arsenal personnel on what working hours are preferred shows, so far, an almost two and one half to one preference for the usual Summertime schedule of 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

All Polled

The check included enlisted and officer military personnel, who were among the first to get in a vote, and Wage Board Civil Service employees. Ballots are now coming in to Civilian Personnel from per diem Civil Service workers.

The final results will probably not be known until the latter part of the week or the first of next week.

Options Given

Employees and persons stationed at Redstone were given four options in the information-seeking poll: Hours from 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.; 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.; 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., and 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

77 Per Cent

Wage Board ballots tallied so far showed a heavy 77 per cent favoring the early hours, and 14 per cent for the regular Winter schedule. A scant 8 per cent like a medium schedule beginning at 7:30 a.m., while a bare handful chose the late beginning work hours.

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The officers voting showed a fraction over 50 per cent in favor of the early schedule. Those desiring the 8 a.m. time mustered 47 per cent of the vote, with a little less than three per cent favoring a 7:30 beginning time.

Two To One

The enlisted men showed preferences for only two times, and split their vote two-to-one for the Summer schedule.

Results of the poll, of course, are not conclusive, but will be used, in conjunction with other governing factors, to determine if any changes in working hours will be made.

Best Fire Prevention Week Slogan Writers Announced

Eighteen children received awards in the first Redstone Arsenal fire prevention slogan contest held recently in connection with Fire Prevention Week.

First Contest

The contest was conducted by the arsenal fire marshal in the city schools and among children of Redstone personnel.

Those receiving awards include:

Top Winners

Cathryn F. Jackson, 12, 403 Pulaske St., winner of a girl's bicycle, and Gerhard Boehm, 7, 812 Hermitage, winner of a boy's bicycle.

Victor Campbell, 505 McClung St., roller skates; Betty Foxworthy, 16, 1619 Alabama Ave., necklace; Herman Hamlet, 13, 107 F Ave., belt and flashlight; Tommy Rosser, 12, 711 Locust St., fountain pen;

Other Lucky Ones

Redge Swing, 10, 607 Locust St., football; Betty Sue Lawrence, 16, 54 W. College St., Hartselle, cosine

tics; Jane Carroll, 7, 326 Walker St., doll; Ricki Rothe, 13, 100 Linwood Ct., toy rocket; Vernett Romine, 13, 217 Biene Ave., football; Joe David Wilson, 17, 423 Oak Ave., fishing reel; Charles W. Echols, 8, 104 Brown St., football; Julai Mae Fletcher, 10, 812 Hendlev St., doll; Jo Ann Douglass, 14, 320 Orchard St., compact.

More Prizes

Awards for the best safety posters went to Robert Burns, 13, 336 Walker St., fountain pen; Larry Williams, 7, 502 College Hill Apts., pocket knife; and Steve Johnson, 7, Longwood Dr., space gun.

Honorable mentions for slogans in the contests were received by:

Honorable Mentions

Anne Tyson, 13, 521 McClung St.; Hilda Sue Reynolds, 10, 715 Randolph St.; Louise Kilpatrick, 14, 1106 McCullough Ave.; Patricia Sarge, 11 204 Park Lane Ave.; and Virginia Huth, 10, 73 10th St. W.

Ammunition Division Worker Wins Efficiency Award Check

Richard J. Burke, 30, 1005 Seventh Ave. W., has received a \$16.38 efficiency award check at Redstone Arsenal for a suggestion that will save the government approximately \$327.50 a year in its ammunition assembly missions.

Suggest Dispenser

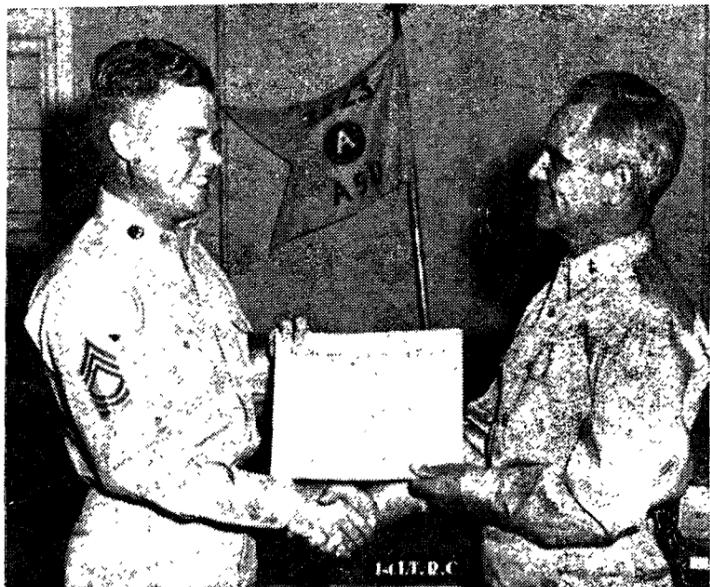
The World War II veteran suggested the use of a tape dispenser to carry tape used in wrapping burster tubes assembled on one of the ammunition lines.

Burke is an explosives opera-

tor, and has been employed at Redstone about two years. This is his first efficiency award suggestion.

Worker Encouragement

The Efficiency Awards program is designed to encourage government personnel to find cheaper, more efficient, and safer ways of accomplishing their tasks, or in the accomplishment of any government operation. The ideas must be beyond the scope of work for which they are employed.

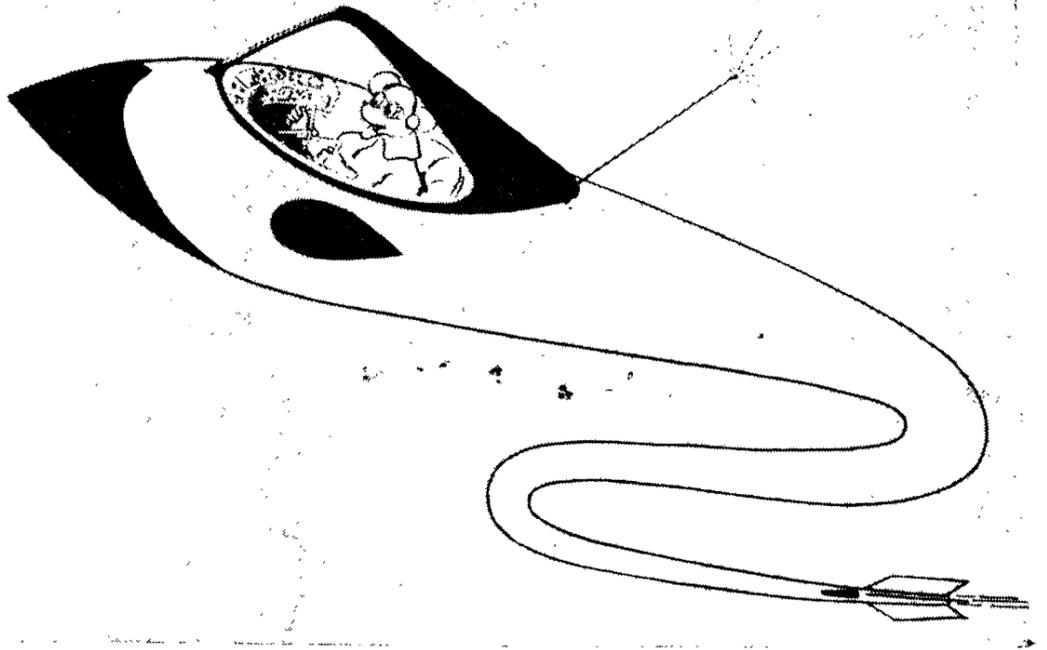


CERTIFICATE WINNER—M-Sgt. Rollins H. Nash (left) receives the Florida Military District Certificate of Achievement for administrative services performed while stationed with the University of Florida ROTC unit at Gainesville, Fla. The presentation was made on behalf of the Florida district by Maj. James W. Severn, Sgt. Nash is now assistant first sergeant for the 3523rd ASU. (U. S. Army photograph.)

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SUPER MISSILE REVEALED—Here is an artist conception of the super-triple-plated secret new guided missile, the Screwball Boomerang, as described to the Redstone supervisors' conferences. The flexible, 300-foot missile is considered a surface-to-air missile in spite of performance fac-

tors. Note educated teddy bear equipped with Anartic flight gear. Blacked out spot on side marks location of new design pigeon cote used in missile. Psychological gear for teddy bear not shown due to high classification. (Design by Bill Chandler, from dubious source.)

Mysterious Missile Studied By Supervisor Conferences

Study Is Being Made On G. M. Defense Of Continental U. S.

Washington (AFPS) — An intensive study is now being made by the Army to determine what areas in the U. S. will eventually be defended by antiaircraft units equipped with guided missiles.

The Army said that recent tests have justified plans for the use of guided missiles in antiaircraft battalions.

Tactical and technical training of officers and men in this new air defense are being conducted at the Guided Missile Center, Ft. Bliss, Tex., and White Sands Proving Ground, Las Cruces, N. M.

Navy Releases Data On Guided Missile Conversion Program

Washington (AFPS) — The Navy has released an up-to-date report on its guided missile conversion program.

GMs On BB

The USS Mississippi has been fitted with guided missile launching equipment and recently made a round-trip shakedown cruise from Norfolk to New York.

Another Converted

The USS Norton Sound has been converted to launch any Navy guided missile. (Continued On Back Page)

Staggering Tax Intake Reported By Treasury

WASHINGTON (AFPS) — American taxpayers paid a record-breaking \$65,009,585,000 into the Federal Treasury last fiscal year, an average of more than \$415 for every man, woman, and child in the nation.

The Bureau of Internal Revenue reported that receipts for the 1952 fiscal year, which ended June 30, showed an increase of 28.9 percent over the previous year's income of \$50,445,000,000.

While tax collections outstripped all previous years, the Treasury still wound up with a deficit of ap- (Continued On Back Page)

Colonel's Memory Leads To Site Of Greenland Base

Thule, Greenland (AFPS)—The long and exact memory of Col. Bernt Balchen, veteran arctic and antarctic explorer, had as much to do with the establishment of the 90,000-acre super airbase here as did anything else.

1927 Tip

In 1927, long before transpolar aviation was a remote possibility, the late Danish explorer Knut Rasmussen told Col. Balchen of an extraordinary flatland on the edge of the Greenland ice cap.

Plans In 1919

Preliminary investigations made (Continued On Back Page)

Column Capsules

Several two and three-bedroom houses are now available through the Employee Service officer. The houses are furnished with stove and refrigerator, and automatic gas heat. They rent from \$69.45 to \$82.50 a month. Persons interested should call Thurman Smith at Ext. 3-1236.

A note received from up Nawth reveals that Pvt. Richard Wolfe is especially attentive of the November issue of Redwood Magazine; it contains a story "An Angel Who Went AWOL," written by his sister, Winifred. No connection, we hope. Winifred will also appear in SATEVPOST and again in Redbook with other fiction shorts, soon.

Mediterranean Fleet Says Has Navy Missiles

Paris, France (AFPS) — Adm. Robert B. Carney, USN, has reported that Korean-tested guided missiles are available "at any time" for sea in event of war in Europe and that U.S. naval forces in the Mediterranean are "capable" of atomic bombing. ADM Carney is Allied Commander for Southern Europe.

Variable Factor Weapon Is Answer To Many Important Tactical Needs

During the past few weeks, Capt. David S. Lane, project officer, Ordnance Missile Laboratories, has been giving a short talk in the Supervisor Development program conferences on Redstone Arsenal's work and how it is assigned.

In the course of the presentations, Capt. Lane has used a missile hypothetically still in the development stages to illustrate the problems that might arise concerning research, development, engineering, procurement of guided missiles, and the training problems also incumbent with them.

At the insistence of supervisors attending the meetings, Capt. Lane has condescended to allow notes on the preliminary design of this missile to be visibly published.

Inasmuch as details of this missile are still covered with a super-top-triple-plated secret security classification, all readers are asked to observe the following note carefully. Violators of this warning will be.

ALL PERSONS NOT CLEARED UP TO UNCLASSIFIED DO NOT—REPEAT—DO NOT READ BELOW THIS LINE.

The original idea for this missile, code named the Screwball Boomerang, emanated from the brilliant mind of one Sgt. Liverlips Lovelace, ASN 000-000-000-1 following his return to Korea from a dangerous mission in occupied San Francisco.

Fatal Letter

Cpl. Love Lips had just received a billet from his old girl friend at Redstone Arsenal, Miss Passion LaFlame. In the letter, "an" as Lancelips called Miss LaFlame, very conscientiously enclosed the latest in an annotated memorandum on Cost Consciousness and Supply Economy, per organization.

Consciousness of his combat experience and reading the memorandum, P... was disturbed by a new technical manual IM-9 (Continued On Back Page)

Here Are Arsenal's Red Feather Drive Helpers



RECEIVES THE LAST WORD—Lt. Col. Alvy G. Johanning (seated left) tells three of the committee heads for the Community Chest drive on the arsenal what the goals are in the annual campaign which both directly and indirectly benefits arsenal personnel. Seated by Col. Johanning is C. B. Brown, Field Service Division. Standing are (left to right) Hoke Wallace, Ammunition Division; and Lt. R. V. Martin, Provisional Redstone Ordnance School. (U. S. Army photograph by Jake Gurley.)



HEAD ARSENAL SEGMENTS—The representatives of five arsenal segments discuss plans for the Community Chest drive at Redstone during the kick-off meeting of committee chairmen and their co-workers Oct. 14 in the Rocket auditorium. Shown here, and the segments which are their

principal responsibilities are (left to right) James Cleary, Executive Office; Bradley P. Cartwright, Army Inspector of Ordnance; Marvin Moring, Budget and Fiscal; Gilbert Appler, Adjutant; J. W. Sutts, Civilian Personnel Division. (U. S. Army photograph by Jake Gurley.)

Call In Tag Change To Registration Sec.

Save yourself an embarrassing moment at the gate in the future and call Ext. 3-3143 as soon as you get your new 1953 state license tag! The Registration Section, Provst Marshal Division points out that changes in automobile registration must be reported within 72 hours after the change. The changes can be made by telephone, or if necessary, can be made in person at the Registration Section office in Bldg. W-442.

Central Textile Buying Unit is Established

Washington, AFPS) — The Armed Services Textile and Apparel Procurement Agency (ASTAPA)—newly established Army-Navy-Air Force-Marine Corps purchasing organization—has begun operations in New York. ASTAPA is expected to fill a long-felt need for the creation of a joint Armed Forces purchasing agency capable of achieving maximum efficiency and economy in the buying of supplies for use by the four Services at home and overseas.



CHAIRMEN CONVENE—The personnel chosen to head the various arsenal divisions receive their material for working on the Community Chest drive which started Oct. 15. Here five of the chairmen look over instructions. They are, (left to right) C. F. Bishop, Medical Division; Mrs.

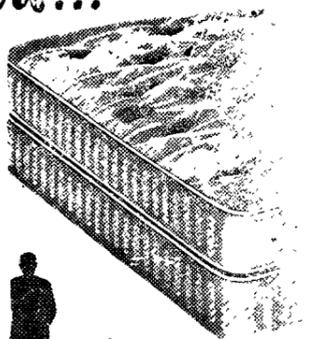
Ophelia Mitcum, Post Engineer Division; Lt. Louis L. Holder, Provost Marshal Division; Mrs. Elizabeth Esslinger, Signal Division; and Mrs. Eunice Danner, Supply Directorate. (U. S. Army photograph by Jake Gurley.)

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SET TO GO—Chairmen and sub-chairmen heard the keynote remarks given by Lt. Col. Alvy G. Johanning, arsenalwide chairman, and read Gen. Thomas K. Vincent's letter endorsing the Community Chest drive at the Oct. 14 meeting in the Rocket auditorium. They are ready to back their segments to start the drive. Above are

(left to right) Mrs. Anna Croft, Purchasing and Contracting Division; S. C. Wilkins, Transportation Division; Abner McNaron, Consolidated Supply Division; W. O. Sisco, Ordnance Missile Laboratories; and Lt. W. E. Burke, National Procurement Division. (U. S. Army photograph by Jake Gurley.)

From Post Surgeon -- Child Feeding, Care Is Discussed

By CAPT THOMAS C. McOSKER

One of the most popular of today's specialists is the pediatrician, or the child expert. A competent pediatrician is an extremely important person in the medical fraternity and his treatment of a really sick child is often near miraculous. But one does not need a pediatrician to care for a normal child. It has often been said that two-thirds of the care of a well baby is the care of the parents, and here again the family doctor will be found to be the better choice.

Many Foods Available

As most mothers have noted, there are now a bewildering array of infants' and children's foods. Of course, the best infant food is mother's milk, but a harried, nervous woman of today is often unable to manage this particular duty to her child and must fall back on less adequate substitutes.

The doctor's choice may be a powder or a fluid, and the expense may be great or little, but after a few days the child usually adjusts well to whatever product is used.

Solids Given Soon

Years ago no solid foods were given for months, but now we have found they may be started in the first weeks of life and the variety and amount increased as the baby can handle them. All the foods are now in convenient containers, all ready to serve; thus the day of the laborious grating, etc., has passed.

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From The Chaplain

By CH. JOHN SIMPSON

The Greek translation renders this as "Do not bring us into temptation." The thought expressed is of God's ordering things so as to bring into trying circumstances. God permits circumstances to come upon us and by them we are tested. James is speaking about the same subject. Says, "My brethren, count it all joy when ye fall into manifold temptations." He is asking for the proper attitude toward experiences of testing. By the power of the proper attitude we distinguish ourselves in the testing experience. One can be tested with Good as well as evil.

"But deliver us from evil" is not a separate petition from the foregoing one. By steadfastness and stubborn resistance we can be delivered in any experience. By faith we can overcome any trial. When we pray in such manner we do so in faith and we shall overcome the world.

This article brings to a close our

Vitamins which are necessary in early life are prepared in dropper dosage in a pure form, easily administered.

Allergies A Problem

Allergies to foods still remain a bugaboo so that the mother must be impressed that she should note any symptom after a new food is introduced. An allergic child is the greatest problem and sometimes a diet with a goat milk or soy bean base must be used.

Compromise Schedule

Only a few years ago a strict schedule on feeding was adhered to, but now the pendulum has swung so that "demand" feeding is the style. In order not to injure the child's emotional experience, the baby is fed whenever it cries. I suspect the true course lies about half way between, and I know that just as mothers used to break rules of the strict regime, they now steer the child toward a schedule which will not disrupt the whole family.

Exercises Teeth

After the child has a few teeth with which to work, he is given food with which to exercise them, and he is soon eating with the family. He must have added vitamin D until about 12 years of age but otherwise a good diet is sufficient.

The normal child's appetite may fall off from time to time, after worrying the mother considerably. She coaxes and threatens, and finally, child and mother, exhausted with the perpetual fight, end up in the doctor's office.

Headstrong Feeding

If no organic disease is found, it is often just a case of a smart, attention-desiring child, and a doting parent. The children who "won't eat" but who manage to worm several soft drinks a day and all the candy, gum and dessert they desire out of their mother, are a common problem. Sometimes the parents correctly deny these to the children but neighbors feed them.

It is a good rule never to give sweets to a child without express permission from the parents. Common sense will cure most feeding problems of children.

Post Headquarters

By MONA KING

"Now let's see — where did I leave my desk yesterday?" That's the voice of a bewildered Headquarters employe who isn't quite sure where his office is since the latest changes. The seemingly innocent looking piece of paper called an organization chart necessitated most of the moving. However, things have settled down to a slow boil and the following information might be of some interest.

A. Veatch and his secretary, Kay Hopkins are back at Headquarters after their brief stay at Bldg. 111. They are occupying the office that Mr. Reasin used to be in. Kay says that it's good to be back.

New Boarder

S. Mathis is taking refuge in the Management Office. A picture of his wife and children grace his desk which means that he feels at home now. Some other newcomers to Management are Mrs. Bertie Funderburk and Howard Slayden, formerly of Plans and Training.

Travelling Tommie

If you pass by the Billeting Office, look in and say "Howdy" to Mrs. Tommie Whatley. She has been moved so many times that it is impossible to count, but at last she is permanently located in the Billeting Office. For a while we thought she was with the Pony Express Co. Tommie is replacing Patricia Vance Sokoloski.

Pat and her husband, the former Lt. Edward Sokoloski have gone to Delaware where he is employed with the Hercules Co. Before she left, Pat told us that she had already learned to spell her last name after only three months of marriage.

Nick of Time

A sure sign of winter - the screen doors to the cafeteria have arrived, now that most of the flies have

discussion on the Lord's Prayer. We truly hope that they have brought forth better understanding about it. Let us pray it, that its power will always be with us.

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frozen to death. Oh yes, the Cafeteria has undergone quite a few changes lately.

Mr. Foster has built a cage around the cash register. Well, not actually around the cash register, but in this cage is an assortment of shaving equipment, towels, soap powders, etc. which have been added as a special service for those who did not have time to do the family wash before they left home and who would like to do it during their break. Also stocking the cage are cigarettes and candy bars, which should prove frustrating to those accustomed to using slugs.

We Wuz Kidding

Seriously though, the cafeteria gives lots of service to the personnel, but we have only one suggestion to make. In order to promote candy sales, the scales in the hall should be moved - even though us girls know they are wrong.

Missing from the cafeteria this week is Lillian Mearns. She fell recently at home and injured her back. Here's wishing her a speedy recovery. Lillian has only been in this county about nine months and is doing remarkably well with the language. However, she plans to go to night school in order to improve her English. Lots of us could stand a little schooling along that line. Incidentally, she is from Italy, or as she says "Ectaly".

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Overemphasized?

Fiery Jean Peters' latest film, "Blaze of Glory," has the young starlet in the role of a rebellious B-girl. "I'm not the type in real life," commented the flaming red head, who believes that Hollywood has overemphasized her physical talents.

Memphis, Tenn. (AFPS) — Detectives here are looking for the person who cashed a check drawn on the "East Bank of the Mississippi" at a local department store.

Detroit, Mich. (AFPS) — The last name in the Detroit telephone directory is Zeke Zzzpt.

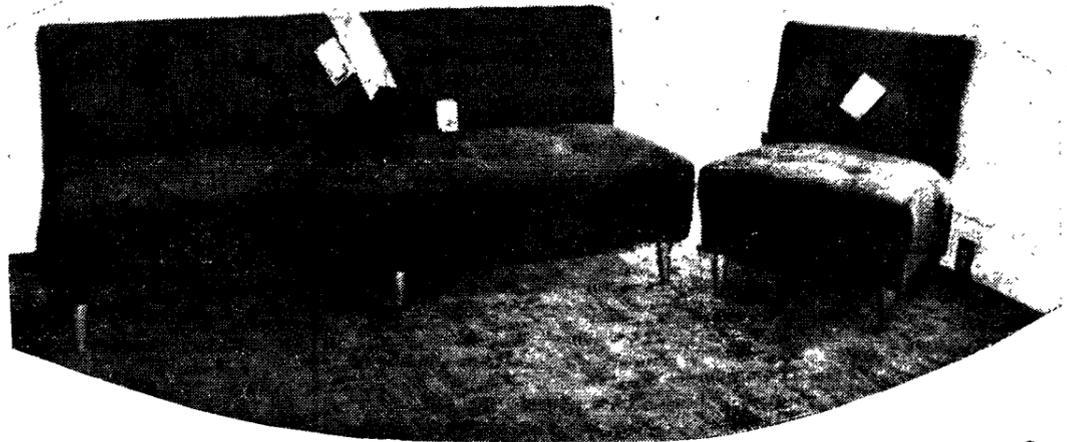
Walla Walla, Wash. (AFPS) — The State Penitentiary baseball team is still looking for their centerfielder. During a game, he tacked back toward the fence after a fly ball, jumped the barrier, and kept on running.

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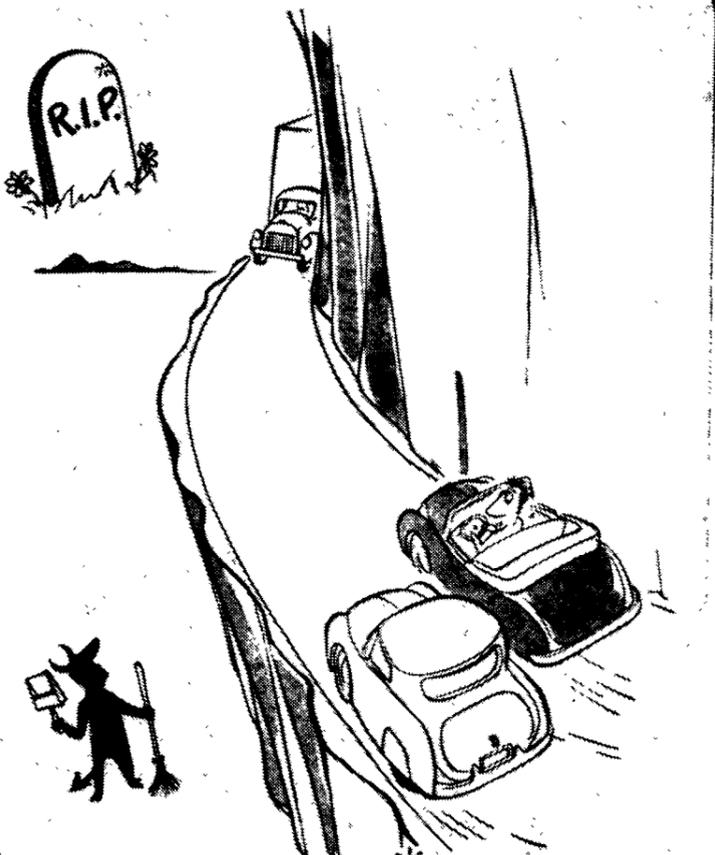
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National Procurement

By NANCY R. SEWARD

The big news in Quality Control Group these days is the engagement of Reggie W. McLaney to Marie Vivian Shipley, formerly from New Orleans, whom he met while on TDY in White Sands Proving Ground. They plan to be wed on the Oct. 18 in Las Cruces, N. M., at St. Paul's Methodist Church at 4 p.m. with Joe Huie as best man. Reggie should be back in NPJ by the Oct. 27 so we'll just have to delay our rice throwing until then.

TDY-ed
Returning from other TDY trips, we have Clarence Reed and Bill Blades who spent five weeks at Western Electric in St. Paul, Minn.; Mr. Jungerman who spent two weeks in Los Angeles and White Sands Proving Ground; and Chuck Beseman and Jack Stolle who have spent approximately 11 months in California.

Chuck and Jack will take their accumulated leave to visit their homes sometimes before they are discharged in December.

Also, Joe Thompson and Pfc Burt Zempsky recently made a short trip to Washington. Mr. Muller is still in the Quartermaster school in Fort Lee, Va., but should return around the middle of November.

Privileged Character

While the rest of us were listen-

ing to the World Series on the radio, watching it on television or keeping up with it the best way we could, Della Eubanks was watching the games from a Grand Stand seat in Yankee stadium. Della's vacation trip also included a tour into Canada.

Home Again

Mrs. Betty Lou Taylor, formerly Betty Lou Lindsay, was married to Houston Taylor, employe at Dunnavants in Huntsville, on Oct. 10 in Monrovia, Ala. After their honeymoon to Chattanooga, the couple returned to their apartment at 101 Humes, where they are now residing.

Vocal Talent

Earnestine Phillips has returned from two weeks spent at a Management Training Course at Rock Island Arsenal. In lieu of an examination at the conclusion of the course, Earnestine had to make a speech which was tape recorded. When it was played back, Ern said she sounded like a cross between Tallulah Bankhead and Gravel Gertie and wondered why she hadn't stayed in bed that day.

Capt. Brown returned from same school, same place, same course. We haven't heard how much education he received, but he acquired the last word in cars—a brand new off-the-line Nash.

Miscellany

W. L. Moore, administrative assistant, has moved his family to Huntsville.

Lt. Berke's mother is in far-off California is the angel of the Administrative Group. She regularly sends boxes of cookies and stuff-like-that—there which are just as regularly devoured by the entire Administrative Group.

Jennie Warden is regaling all who will listen with the wonders of the West and the glories of California which she visited on her vacation. Makes us all want to

take the next covered wagon.

Busman's Holiday

Gil Bernstein has enjoyed a brief vacation. She is, among other things, travel clerk for the division and having to make out so many TR's, Gil seems to have become allergic to travel herself. Therefore, she spent her time off right in Huntsville. The Bernsteins have recently entertained Stan's mother and aunt—Mrs. J. Bernstein and Mrs. W. Schwartz, from New York City.

Heard the news? Lt. Ledford, who has transferred to Aberdeen Proving Ground, has been promoted to captain. The division sent fitting congratulations to Capt. Ledford, and the hope that the two bars will not be too weighty on his shoulders.

Play Planners

Earnestine Phillips and Joe Williams are deep in plans for the big ball to be held in Building 826, or Oct. 31. Save the date and dust off your best beau (or somebody else's—after all, it'll be Halloween when tricks are to be expected) for the big occasion.

Party Parting

Well, by now Pfc. Ray Deyo is just plain Ray Deyo and is probably already at his home in Hollywood. Procurement Group gave Ray a luncheon on the Friday before he departed and presented him with a tie clasp as a going-away gift. Also, Helen Camp and Ruth Gilbreath gave a party for Ray on the following Monday night at Ruth's home.

There were about 16 guests present to send Ray off in style. Ray's friends in California should get a big kick out of his acquired Southern slang. Just wait until he says he's "fixing to go" someplace.

Time tells on a man . . . especially a good time.

Consolidated Supply

By JEWELL KELLY

We wish to express our thanks to Wanda Palmer for a well done job as reporter for the Consolidated Supply Division.

Don Fitzpatrick had a nice surprise gift just before leaving on a 20-day furlough to his home in Brookline, Mass. Albert Albright is taking his place until he returns.

Margie Pruitt visited friends in Memphis last week. Jackie Jensen has been with her mother in Atlanta during her illness.

Mac McCullough and family are spending a week's vacation in Florida. Edwina Moreton is back at work after taking a two week's business trip to Houston. We wish to welcome George Reardon, who is replacing Herman



Hollingsworth as chief of Mission Stock. He transferred from Volunteer Ordnance Works, Chattanooga, Tenn. Oct. 15. His wife and two boys - one seven and one two will arrive later. Incidentally he is looking for a two bedroom house or apartment. (Call Thurman Smith Ext. 3-1236 Ed.)

Joe Norwood is a new ledger clerk in Expediting.

Everyone extends deepest sympathy to Phil Koonce in the death of his mother.

STRATFORD ON AVON — The town corporation of Shakespeare's hometown gave into the populace recently and voted to allow weekly vaudeville shows.

ELIZABETHTOWN, Ill. — Harry Dorris quelled a fire among some paper and shingles in his truck by shaking a bottle of pop and directing the liquid with his thumb over the open bottle.

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The Redstone Rocket

Oct. 27 Is Set As Opening For Spirited Volleyball Play

The opening whistle will sound Oct. 27 for the YMCA winter volleyball league play, says Russel Barber, Y executive secretary.

Meantime, practice sessions for the teams already entered, and those that will want to enter, can be arranged by calling Barber at Huntsville 66. Practice sessions are being held, beginning this week, from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday night the loop leaders will meet to draw for playing positions. Play is contemplated at both the downtown Y courts and at the Virginia McCormick courts in West Huntsville.

Entries are still open, and teams can enter by calling Barber now.

Already lined up for the season are the Ramblers, the Rams, the Missilemen, and at least three teams from military personnel at Redstone.

Probable entrants is the loop are Rohn and Haas and General Shoe.

Halfway Mark For Some 11s

Games upcoming on the gridirons this week represent the halfway mark in the season for many squads. For others it is just another day of reckoning. The schedule as it stacks is as follows. The first team mentioned will be host team. N. following a listing indicates night game.

EAST

Lehigh v. Boston; Bucknell v. Colgate; Columbia v. Army; Boston C. v. Fordham (Sept. 24, N.); Harvard v. Dartmouth, Penn. v. Navy; Cornell v. Princeton; Brown v. Rutgers; Syracuse v. Holy Cross; Temple v. NYU; Xavier v. Villanova (Sept. 26); Yale v. Lafayette.

MIDWEST

Okla. A. & M. v. Detroit; Drake v. Bradley (Sept. 24 N.); Illinois v. Purdue; Michigan State v. Penn State; Michigan v. Minnesota; Missouri v. Iowa State; Northwestern v. Indiana; Notre Dame v. No. Carolina; Iowa v. Ohio State; Oklahoma v. Kansas State; Tulsa v. Wichita (N.)

SOUTH

Alabama v. Miss. State; Auburn v. Tulane; Chattanooga v. Miss. Southern; Citadel v. Presbyterian; So. Carolina v. Clemson (Sept. 23); Davidson v. Furman; Virginia v. Duke; Florida v. Georgia; George Washington v. VMI (Sept. 24, N.); Cincinnati v. Kentucky; Maryland v. LSU; Miami v. Marquette (Sept. 24, N.); N. C. State v. Florida State; Tennessee v. Wofford; Georgia Tech v. Vanderbilt; Wash. & Lee v. VPI; Pitt v. West Virginia; Wm. & Mary v. Richmond.

SOUTHWEST

Arkansas v. Mississippi; Baylor v. Texas A. & M.; Temple State v. Houston (N); Rice v. Texas; SMU v. Kansas;

ROCKY MOUNTAIN

Arizona v. H. Simmons (N); Brigham Young v. Denver; Colorado v. Nebraska; Utah State v. Col. A. & M.; New Mexico v. Texas Western (N); Wyoming v. Utah.

WEST COAST

So. California v. Califorma; Santa Clara v. Idaho (Sept. 24, N.); Oregon v. Montana; Montana State v. Colo. W. St.; Washington St. v. Oregon State; Pacific v. San Diego Navy (N); Stanford v. Washington; Wisconsin v. UCLA.

Albany, N. Y. (AFPS) — Motorcycle patrolman Thomas Mullaney is keeping mum these days. Recently he stuck his tongue out while riding through town and a bumbeebe stung it.

MEXICO CITY — A Texas chemist says he can harness heat from a Mexican volcano to produce cheap electricity for the country's West Coast.

Slowdown Ball Is Hurting Sport

(By Armed Forces Press Service)

Europe's first international baseball game recently resulted in a 7-3 win for Spain over Italy and a poor spectator reaction. After seven innings of play marked by 23 errors, one umpire-player hassle, seven bases on balls and two hit batsmen, most of the crowd left the stadium, complaining that three and one-half hours was too long for one game.

Same Idea Here

Here in the birthplace of the game, the same feeling has cropped up. The shortest game in major league history took 51 minutes in 1919. But who now can remember seeing a game that took less than one hour? Today's games average two hours and 11 minutes in length.

3 1/2-Hour Game

Twenty-five years ago a nine-inning contest was completed in 1.58 hours, on the average. The longest game in the books—26 innings—took three hours and 51 minutes to complete in 1920. The Giants outlasted the Dodgers recently in nine innings and three hours and 38 minutes. Why are games so long?

Pitchers work fewer complete games today than they did 25 years ago—and it takes a long time to walk in from an outfield bullpen. With each new pitcher and each new crisis, the manager must talk it over at the mound. That takes time. Some critics call it show-boating—they claim the conferees never turn their backs to the plate—they're putting on a show for the television audience. . . . But there's more to it.

Scared Pitchers

PITCHERS are afraid of the home run ball with smaller parks. They work more deliberately, hence, more slowly. Night baseball and day-night doubleheaders upset eating and sleeping schedules. The players are tired—the 25 year baseball career of Eddie Collins looks unapproachable today. Night baseball limits a veteran to 15 years in the ball time.

Speed-Up Sought

What's the answer? Casey Stengel wants a pitcher removed after two conferences with his manager. He wants to speed up their delivery and stop batters from stepping out of the box. And he wants the umpires to make the plays move. . . . The fan wants a speed-up, too. Tactics are slowly choking America's favorite game.

2nd Lt. BILLY FLOYD is home on leave from Fort Lee, Virginia, where he is in training with the Army Quartermaster Corps.

2nd Lt. ROBERT M. COLLINS, Army Quartermaster Corps, is currently in training at Fort Lee, Virginia.

War Drums Begin Rolling Call To Y Men's Cage Tilts

YMCA basketball will begin aiming at the charmed hoops Oct. 28 at 7:30 p.m. at the Huntsville Y when the forthcoming Y Men's League managers and coaches will have their first organizational meet.

Russel Barber, executive secretary, says that the meet will probably see Nov. 17 announced as the date when league play will actually begin.

Entries into the Men's League are now open, and will remain open until the night of the organizational meet. So far at least five teams have announced their intentions of competing in the fast-moving, highly spirited loop.

The teams entered include at least three teams from Redstone Arsenal, John Blue and Martin Stove. Others from last year's play, as well as several other new combinations are expected in play.

Barber urged that all teams desiring to play in the league to contact him as soon as possible.

Furlough railroad fares have been extended to Jan. 31, 1953.

Civilian Personnel

By GILDA GARDSBANE

No one in this entire section is more "in the clouds" these days than Jean Caneer. Her husband



called to say that he would be back from Korea and at Ft. Jackson this week to be discharged from the Army. Happy Day. And Bobbie, Jr. will see his Poppa for the first time!

Thank goodness for people like Connie Keene and Louise Lockard who pay attention. When we had a fire prevention display this past week, Connie ably showed the on-lookers how to put out a fire with soda and acid extinguisher. When asked what kind of extinguisher was in her office, Louise chirped up. "One of those water buckets kind."

Immediately after the demonstration, everyone looked at the type that was distributed in the building. Thank you for the very interesting and informative display, Capt. Delaney and assistants.

Aiste-Minded

Roland McGee, Salary and Wage, belongs in the to-be-wed department. His bride will be Miss Gladys Moore, of Huntsville and the wedding date is set for Nov. 10. Congratulations and best wishes for a long, happy life together.

Welcome to you, Mary Francis Britton. We hope you find us a good substitute for the Logistics Section.

And a big "Hello" to James Blackwell. Welcome to our section. We hope you will stay for a long, long time. Mr. Blackwell hails from the Holston Ordnance Works in Kingsport, Tenn.

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Highsmith-Horton Marry In Moulton

Miss Alice Joyce Highsmith, employe of the Civil Service Board, became the bride of Robert Horton Oct 11 during a ceremony in the Methodist Church, Moulton, Ala. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob H. Highsmith, Moulton.

The aisle was decorated with white satin ribbons, and the altar with palms and white caryophylls. Four tall candelabra held lighted white tapers. In the windows were single candles with magnolia leaves.

Music Played

Through The Years," "I Love Thee," and "The Lord's Prayer" were sung, and nuptial organ music was played.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a white lace and tulle gown with a standing collar of lace. The bodice was fitted to the waist with lace covered buttons, and the full skirt of lace was scalloped to reveal an underskirt of tulle. She carried a bouquet of pink roses and stephanotis.

Maid's In Taffeta

The six bridesmaids wore dresses of pink and rose taffeta, fashioned with boat necklines and gathered, tiered skirts of alternating colors. The maid of honor, Miss Mary Jane Horton, sister of the bride, wore a similar dress of rose taffeta. The bride's attendants carried old-fashioned bouquets of pink and white carnations, and wore garlands of pink taffeta flowers in their hair.

Following the wedding, a reception was given by the bride's parents at their home. Mrs. Highsmith received the guests in a blue lace dress, and the mother of the bridegroom was attired in rose lace.

Pink Table

The cake table was covered with a pink satin cloth decorated with a bouquet of pink and white carnations and silver candleholders.

For their wedding trip, to Washington the bride wore a green tweed suit with brown suede accessories. On their return, they will reside in Montgomery.

Out-of-town guests included Mr. and Mr. Jesse Stutts, Huntsville, and the employes of the Civil Service Board of Redstone.

Nicalosi, Ext. 5249, or the Mess, Ext. 3-2238. Dinner reservations may be made by calling the Mess.

Heirs And Heiresses

Mr. and Mrs. William Stewart, 1545 Pike Rd., Birmingham, are the parents of a son, Michael Morgan, born Oct. 9, and weighing six pounds and seven ounces. Mrs. Stewart was formerly employed in the Budget and Fiscal Office and in the Executive Office

Mr. and Mrs. Jack McCalmon announce the birth of a son, Jeffry Richard, Oct. 8 at the Huntsville Hospital. Mrs. McCalmon was formerly employed in the Adjutant's Office, and Mr. McCalmon in National Procurement Division.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Carmack announce the birth of Donna Jean, Oct. 9 at the Huntsville Hospital. She weighed six pounds and five and one-half ounces. Mr. Carmack is an employe in National Procurement Division.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Cheseboro are the parents of a daughter, Marcia Jane, born October 14 at the Huntsville Hospital. She weighed seven pounds and three and one-half ounces. The father is a National Procurement Division employe.

Several employes of the Consolidated Supply Branch announce baby sons and daughters. Mr. and Mrs. Branch Fleming have a baby girl, Mr. and Mrs. "Bud" Morris and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Foster have boys. Mr. and Mrs. Jim Fox announce the birth of twin boys.

Mr. and Mrs. Earle Harris announce the birth of a daughter at the Huntsville Hospital. Mr. Harris is an employe in Facilities Plann-



WED RECENTLY — Mrs. J. W. Berry is the former Miss Perlina Hall, Civilian Personnel employe, who was married Oct. 3 at the Methodist parsonage in Trenton, Ga. Mr. and Mrs. Berry are residing at 105 Cherry St., Scottsboro, Ala.

Mr. and Mrs. Brooks Cruse 34 Ridgecraft Dr., Huntsville, announce the Oct. 10 arrival of Patricia Gayle weighing five pounds and 10 ounces. Mrs. Cruse has been the receptionist in Bldg. 111.

Capt. and Mrs. David Lane announce the birth of Sara Ennis on Sept. 28 at the Huntsville Hospital. She weighed six pounds. The Lanes reside at 522 Lowell Dr., Huntsville, and Capt. Lane is assigned to the Project Staff.

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ARIZONA WED—Mr. and Mrs. Roy C. Rogers, Jr. are shown at the reception following their wedding Oct. 12 at the home of the bride's uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Coyle Ray, 308 5th Ave., E., Huntsville. The bride is the former Miss Betty Ray, receptionist in the Guided Missile Group headquarters. Mr. Rogers was recently released from active Army duty at the arsenal. On their return from a wedding trip, they will reside at 813 Beirne Ave., Huntsville. Mrs. Rogers is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Ray, 502 Beirne Ave., Huntsville, and Mr. Rogers is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy C. Rogers, Arkansas City, Kan.

Ladies Bridge Club Holds First Meet

The Ladies Bridge Club met for the first time this season, Oct. 16 at the Offices Open Mess with six tables of bridge in progress. Mrs. W. C. Rotenberry held the high

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score, Mrs. Stanley Smolensky was second high, and Mrs. John Rigg won third prize. Mrs. Fred Smith was the low score winner.

Mrs. Henry C. Thayer, bridge chairman for the Wives Club, made all of the arrangements for the meeting. The next meeting is scheduled for 10:30 a.m. Nov. 6 at the Mess. A lunch will be available, and those planning to attend should call Mrs. Thayer by noon of Nov. 4 so that even tables may be arranged.

Mrs. Ralph Bolvin will assist Mrs. Thayer in setting up tables and making necessary preparations at the Mess.

Personals

Mrs. Helen Magee, employe in the office of the Projects Staff, was the guest of honor at a farewell party given by 17 persons from her office. She was presented a chrysanthemum corsage and a gift. Cake and coffee were served. Mrs. Magee is resigning to return to her home in Gadsden as her husband, Pfc. Magee is being transferred from the arsenal. They have been residing at 1002 Pratt Ave., Huntsville.

The entertainment committee for the Officers Open Mess has announced a free Halloween costume dance for Oct. 24 at the Mess, starting at 9 p.m. Hilding Holmberg's orchestra will furnish the dance music. Prizes will be awarded to the woman and many whose costumes are judged the best. Reservations for the dance may be made by calling the office of Maj. A. A.

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WEDS EMPLOYEE -- Mrs. Billy Warren Payne, who was married Oct. 16, is the former Miss Jean Sparks, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Sparks, Huntsville. Mr. Payne is an Ammunition Division employe. They were married in Iuka, Miss. (U. S. Army photograph).

Jean Sparks Is Wed During Iuka Ceremony

During a double ring ceremony Oct. 16 in Iuka, Miss., Miss Jean Sparks, former Payroll employe, became the bride of Billy Warren Payne, Ammunition Division employe. The Rev. Gober read the vows in the Iuka Baptist Church. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Sparks, Huntsville, and attended the University of Alabama where she was chosen "Miss Alabama" in 1951. She was a student in the school of Home Economics. The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Payne, Hartselle. He is a 1950 graduate of the University of Alabama, and is a member of Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity. For her wedding, Mrs. Payne wore a purple suit with a corsage of orchids, and blue and white accessories. Mrs. Richard Macomb, Intelligence Office employe, was their only attendant. They will reside at 108 Kent Rd., Huntsville.



NEW OFFICERS ARE INSTALLED—The recently elected officers of the Officers Wives Club of Redstone Arsenal were installed for six-month terms at a luncheon meeting Oct. 14 at the Officers Open Mess. They are (left to right) Mrs. Robert P. Merchant, recording secretary, Mrs. Thomas C. McOsker, vice-president, Mrs. Holger

N. Toftoy, president, and Mrs. John E. Simpson, treasurer. Not present for the picture was Mrs. Henry Parker, corresponding secretary. The luncheon marked the opening of Fall and Winter club activities, and was attended by more than 45 members and guests. (U. S. Army photograph.)

Fall Luncheon Starts Program For Post Officers Wives Club

At a luncheon Oct. 14 in the Officers Open Mess, the Officers Wives Club of Redstone Arsenal held their first Fall meeting, with the luncheon table decorated with colored leaves.

Officers Installed

The recently elected officers were installed and assumed their duties for the next six months. They are Mrs. Holger N. Toftoy, president, Mrs. Thomas C. McOsker, vice-president, Mrs. Robert Merchant, recording secretary, Mrs. Henry Parker, corresponding secretary, and Mrs. John Simpson, treasurer.

Chef Talks

Mrs. Charles E. Barrett, program chairman, introduced a chef from the Russel Erskine hotel in Huntsville, who gave a demonstration on making of canapes and snacks.

Christmas cards and gift novelties were displayed under the direction of Mrs. Lyle Barker. Orders were placed by club members, and revenue will be derived from these sales for the welfare fund.

Sitters Available

Mrs. Toftoy welcomed the more than 45 members and guests, and called for reports from committee chairmen. Mrs. Stanley Skeiber, chairman of the baby sitter committee announced that she has a list of sitters available for those

Bridge Luncheon Given At Durrenberger Home

On Oct. 10 Mrs. W. J. Durrenberger entertained with a bridge luncheon at her home on the arsenal. Two tables of bridge were in progress with the high score prize going to Mrs. Henry Shuey. Mrs. Karl Woltersdorf won the traveling prize, and Mrs. William Stevens was the low score prize winner.

Place cards for the luncheon were decorated with nasturiums to match the flowers painted on the bridge tallies.

desiring this service.

Mrs. Joseph Rush, hospitality chairman, had charge of the arrangements and decorations. She was assisted by Mrs. George E. Elmore and Mrs. Wayne H. Numbers.

COLOGNE, Germany — A carpenter who fascinated and horrified thousands of people with stunts aloft the 512-foot cathedral spire to "demonstrate his courage," landed in the pokey as a public nuisance.

FORT WORTH— Crime doesn't pay. A man broke into a box car containing what he thought was liquor. In jail he found out it was empty beer bottles.

Personals

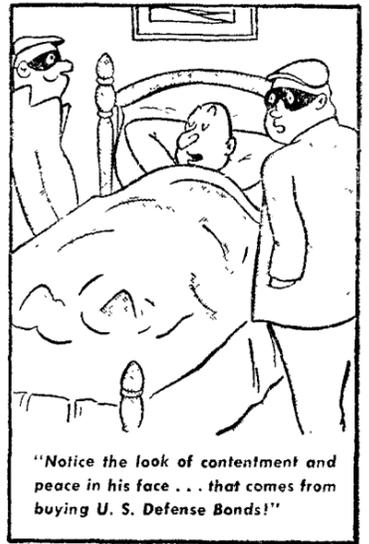
Mr. and Mrs. N. Walker are vacationing in New York City. Mrs. Walker is an employe in the Intelligence Office.

Mrs. Mary Mullikin, wife of Pvt. Mullikin, Army Audit Agency, has recently joined the staff at the United States Army Infirmary as a laboratory technician.

S. A. Veatch has returned to his duties as Contract Administrator after a Florida vacation.

Mrs. Mel Gruel, employe in the Adjutant's Division, is taking leave for several months.

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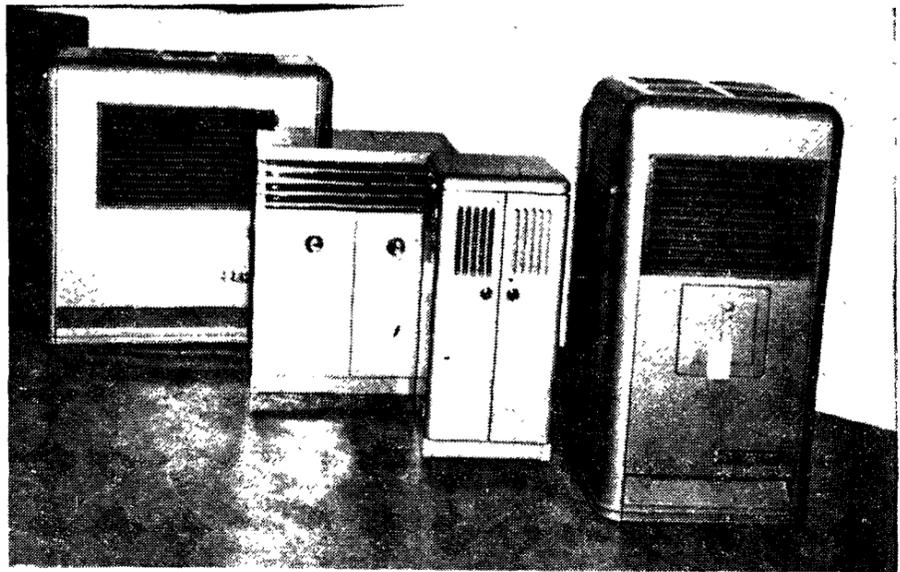
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Pvt. Liverlove's basic ideas were the missile should incorporate the salient features of the boomerang and baseball. From baseball came the idea that the missile worth its salt should get three strikes at a target before being counted out and returned (boomerang fashion) to the launching site.

(Ed. note: The ramifications of an armed, high explosive missile returning to the launching site, are dynamic, particularly when considered from a supply economy point.)

Channeled Thought

Pvt. 2 Liverlove submitted his idea for a guided missile of these dimensions through channels. After being efficiently expedited, the Ordnance Corps definitely undertook a program for this boomerang-baseball missile under the code name, Screwball Boomerang.

(Ed: Please note the following warning carefully!)

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Following many modifications in

design, performance, personnel, coffee hour schedules etc. the accepted tentative design has these specifications:

- a. Approximate length (at sea level) 300 feet. Usual diameter, one foot and three-quarter inches.
- b. Speed, 15,000 miles per hour (electronic brain calculation.)
- c. Range, two miles. (actual measure.)
- d. Warhead weight, 10,000 pounds, (culbertson system).

Elastic Plastic

According to authoritative, but undisclosed sources, the body of the Screwball Boomerang is made of an elastic plastic (now being developed for the Ordnance Corps by the Lockjaw Bubble Gum Corp.)

Launching and propulsion follow the rubberband-powered model airplane theorem: That is the elastic plastic missile body is wound up, then released. The unwinding 3 foot missile (at sea level) body flaps a tail which propels the missile. Obvious are the advantages of this system of providing an economical, reusable propulsion source.

Tactical Tail

The flapping tail also has a tactical advantage, in that if the missile nose, or any of the other 298 feet of the weapon misses the target aircraft, the whipping tail might spank into it and accomplish the mission.

For a booster the Screwball Boomerang uses a small-size A-bomb.

Missiled Monk

To return the missile to its base for potential re-use, each weapon is equipped with a half-grown and blind chimpanzee. When the missile misses the target for the third time, the chimpanzee raises one thumb, screams, "You're Out," which automatically sets up an electrifying reaction causing the missile to return whence it came. This returned is facilitated by two flocks of carrier pigeons contained in streamlined coops on each side of the missile. They are attached to the Screwball by means of reclaimed yo yo strings and pull the thing back to the launching site.

Vital Need Missing

After this initial design was sub-

mitted to the Army Field Forces it was requested that a Coke machine be incorporated in the missile for the chimpanzee. Ordnance indicated suitable type Coke machines were in development and unavailable. A shortbeer dispensary was substituted.

Further experiments showed the short beer dispensary psychologically unsuitable as the chimpanzee was putting in slugs and getting coffee royale.

Mission Changed

Before tooling was completed on production models of the dispensary model, Army Field Forces decided the Boomerang would be used in the Antarctic and requested that teddy bears and hot chocolate machines be installed.

Gravelengrit Builders

At the present time the Screwball Boomerang is under beneficial contract to the Gravelengrit Washing Powder Corp. (Ltd.) since the national emergency has reduced the sales of foaming cleanser. (Gravelengrit scratched by Lockjaw Bubble Gum in the stretch on the production bidding.)

(Ed. note: Lacelips resigned his privacy in the Army to marry Far LaFlame and became president of the board of governors of the Gravelengrit concern. (see Redstone Rocket, Jan. 29, 1952.)

Staggering Tax Intake

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approximately \$4,000,000,000.

The total receipts, however, included millions of dollars in social security and unemployment taxes which are not available for general spending purposes.

Navy Releases

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ed missile now under development. Conversion has been completed, but the ship may need additional equipment for some of the new missiles.

Subs Also

The submarines Cusk and Carbonero have been converted for use as guided missile submarines. The cruisers Boston and Canberra are being converted at New York Shipbuilding Corp., Camden, N. J. When completed, they will constitute a new class of ship for the Navy.

Colonel's Memory

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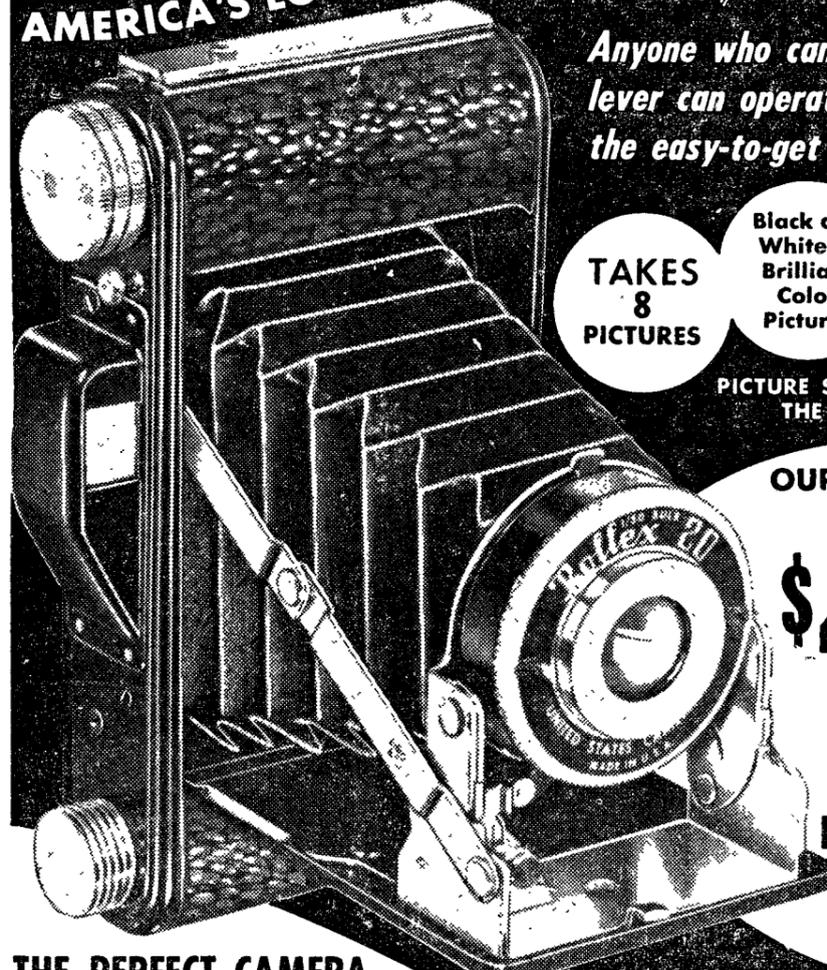
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