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RSA Now A 2- General Post

Drive Courteously And Win A Prize!

Weekly Contest Is On Now

Judges Will Be Fellow Road Users; All Regular Arsenal Drivers Eligible

It can pay off to drive with courtesy and regard at Redstone Arsenal.

Yessir, it can net somebody each week a Ronson lighter, or a travel alarm clock, or a billfold, or a meal ticket good at any of the arsenal's cafeterias.

The deal is simple:

Begins Now

Beginning Nov. 12, a traffic courtesy contest is being run on the arsenal in which every person who regularly drives within the confines of the arsenal are eligible. This means military personnel, civilian employes, employes of contractors, lessees, anybody who is at the arsenal regularly—except visitors.

The winners of each week's contest, and for the present there will be a winner each week for eight weeks will be doubly screened.

Road Recommendation

First he has to be recommended by a fellow motorist or pedestrian. That recommendation must come on a "Driver of the Week" application. These applications have been distributed throughout the arsenal, but additional copies may be secured at the Safety Office, Bldg 713.

After having impressed a fellow worker enough with his or her courteous driving, the candidates for the award of the week must be screened by a selection committee.

Complete Info

On the nomination blank, the nominator must fill in these items—Names, badge or serial number of the driver, car model, state license and or arsenal tag; when the driver was observed being courteous, place what he or she did (or didn't do.)

Actually all anyone needs to know, if they see a person that should be recommended for an award, is to get either the arsenal or the state tag number, and the other information can be obtained by calling Ext. 3-4238.

The Selection committee will run over the applicants for the week closed each Wednesday, and the next day the award will be made.

Now Is Time

Therefore, the contest is on today, and every arsenal driver is under the watchful eye of every other arsenal road user. Entries for this week should be in the hands of the committee by the close of business Nov. 18.

Members of the Selection committee include:

Col. Henry C. Thayer; Capt. James F. Fails; John O. Lawrence, W. E. Albright, Cecil Jackson, Stuart H. Jones, and James E. Hiers, recording secretary.

Cut Criticism

In a letter to all employes last week, Gen. Vincent asked the cooperation of all arsenal drivers in courteous driving to end criticism that has come in about arsenal drivers showing reckless disregard for the safety of other highway users.

Both the general and the Selection committee hopes this contest will cut down on the traffic onus outside as well as inside the arsenal.

Every Other One Is Everyone's Best At Intersections!

Don't yell, "where are the cops?" when you come to an arsenal intersection at quitting time these days and find no policeman to direct you.

The best thing to do is follow the new plan and alternate in getting through the intersection. It is a recommendation made by Gen. Vincent in a recent letter to all employes regarding traffic safety.

This is the deal:

When you come to a busy intersection, instead of cutting off one road or the other with a solid stream of traffic, alternate; one car from one road goes, then one from the other.

The cooperation will have to come from the drivers in the main stream of traffic who will have to lag a bit to allow the sideroad car to enter.

CMH Wearer Visits Redstone

An officer who received the Congressional Medal of Honor while still on the frontline, visited Redstone Arsenal last week on a routine annual staff visit. He is Maj. Orville E. Bloch, General Staff Corps, G-2, Third Army.

Maj. Bloch's exploit which deserved winning the Medal was his single-handed destruction of five German machine guns, and elimination of 19 Germans on Sept. 22, 1944 during the breaching of the Gothic Line in the North Apennine mountains in Italy.

At that time, the major was with the 85th Infantry Division.

The Medal was presented on the Fifth Army front in Europe, Feb. 6, 1945, by Lt. Gen. Lucian K. Truscott, Fifth Army commander.

Immediately following the presentation, Maj. Bloch was returned to the U.S. and stationed at Ft. Benning, Ga. as an instructor in the Infantry school. Since then he has also had three and one-half years duty in the Far East Command.

Maj. Bloch is originally from Streeter, N.D., the son of Mr. and Mrs. Emil Bloch. He is married to their former Miss Beverly Asplund, Wilton, N.D. They have two children, Rae Idell, 5, and Paul, six months.

OTTAWA—Potato seeds, dipped in a zinc sulphate solution are claimed to produce early sprouting, early blossoming, and better yielding potato plants, by the Canadian department of agriculture.

OMAHA—A 14-year old driver asked a man for a push and wound up in juvenile authorities hands. The man was a state safety patrolman, and the stricken car was stolen.



NEW RSA GENERAL—Brig. Gen. Holger N. Toftoy, is the first Redstone Arsenal officer to be appointed as a general while serving here. Gen. Toftoy received news of his appointment by wire late Friday evening. Shortly afterwards, Gen. Vincent, arsenal commander, pinned his own insignia on Redstone's second general officer in an informal ceremony. The new general is director of the Ordnance Missile Laboratories, headquarters for the Army's research, development and engineering activities in the guided missile and rocket fields. (U. S. Army photograph.)

1st PRO Officers Class To Graduate

The first class of officers to graduate from an intensive study period in the Provisional Redstone Ordnance School, will graduate Nov. 17 in ceremonies in the Rocket Auditorium. Friends, relatives and others interested are cordially invited to attend.

Pvt. Harlo J. Patton, and Pvt. Raymond R. Wurm, are the honor students in Provisional Redstone Ordnance School graduates this week. The 27th class graduated in the guided missile guidance components repair course, and the 12th class in the guided missile repair course.

Due to the Armistice Day holiday, exercises were held on Friday. Gen. Toftoy, OML director was guest speaker.

Mr. Charles O. Holoman, civilian was issued a certificate of merit for the Guided Missile Guidance Components Repair Course.

Students who received their proficiency certificates for the second phase of the guided missile guidance components repair course were:

Pvts. Howard O. Baumann, Martin J. Berger, Clarence C. Bewig, Jr., Fred D. Bodenhamer, Philip A. Dullea, James L. Fuller, Robert J. Greene, Walter D. Hogan, Roy A. Hanson, Willard J. Johnson, Richard H. Knox, Herbert S. Levison, Thaddeus E. Majzer, Earl P. Moyer, Dudley E. Neff, Harlo J. Patton, Clyde J. Rettke, James V. Schwind, Donald J. Tarnowski and Edwin F. Widmann.

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Businessmen Hail Meet As Eyeopener In Arsenal Methods

About 150 Huntsville businessmen came to Redstone Arsenal to learn about the guided missile and rocket business and to find out how they can do business with Redstone Arsenal and the Army.

The group left at the end of the day-long visit Nov. 6, amazed and impressed by the vastness and intricate nature of the operations of the Army's guided missile and rocket control and coordination center.

\$10,000,000 Local

They were also impressed when they learned that directly and indirectly there is over \$10,000,000 in local business here.

During the visit, arranged by Maj. Charles E. Barrett, director of supply, the businessmen received detailed descriptions of the Army's procurement channels and how they affected Huntsville's small businessman. The Purchasing and Contracting Division gave each visitor a pamphlet guide on who to see to sell various items that the arsenal can buy locally.

The meeting explained purchasing systems of the arsenal itself, and the contract companies located here.

Tour Arsenal

During the visit, the group toured a large portion of the arsenal, and saw and heard a description of a V-2 missile, which Col. H. N. Toftoy, director of the Ordnance Missile Laboratories, calls a "scientific marvel."

At the end of the day, the arsenal guests personally visited three of the Consolidated Supply Divi-

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Toftoy Receives Star On Nov. 8

Appointment Is First Given Any Officer Here During 11-Year History

Brig. Gen. Holger N. Toftoy, director of the Ordnance Missile Laboratories, is the first officer at Redstone Arsenal to be appointed to the rank of general.

Gen. Toftoy, formerly Col. Toftoy, received news of the appointment to brigadier general this weekend. His appointment is effective Nov. 1.

The appointment is doubly unique as it will be the first time in the history of the Army's guided missile and rocket center that two general officers have been stationed here.

Informal Ceremony

Brig. Gen. Thomas K. Vincent, arsenal commander and close friend of Gen. Toftoy, pinned his own insignia on the new general shortly after the news was received by Army teletype.

Gen. Toftoy came to the North Alabama installation on May 29 from Washington, D. C. where he had been chief of the Rocket Branch Research and Development Division, Office, Chief of Ordnance.

Long GM Exponent

In military circles, Gen. Toftoy is considered as the foremost exponent and guiding spirit of the Army's guided missile and rocket programs.

It was his decision that caused Redstone to be reactivated in 1948 as a free rocket center. Through his efforts the Army was "sold" on the idea of a progressive guided missile program utilizing the talents of former German guided missile experts contacted by his command during World War II. At the time he was chief of the Ordnance Technical Intelligence in Europe.

Makes It 40,000 Acres

In 1949, through his efforts, the facilities of Huntsville Arsenal were combined with Redstone to make room for an expanding guided missile program.

During World War II, Redstone was a shell assembly plant, and Huntsville Arsenal, a Chemical Warfare Service installation.

As director of OML, Gen. Toftoy is responsible for the research, development and engineering phases of all Army guided missiles and rockets. His headquarters, in essence, are the control and coordination center for programs that reach into research, scientific and industrial facilities throughout the nation.

USMA Graduate

Gen. Toftoy was born in Marseilles, Ill., Oct. 31, 1902. He attended the University of Wisconsin for two years before entering West Point. He graduated as a second lieutenant in what is now the Air Force in 1929.

In 1927 he transferred to the Coast Artillery and served in Hawaii until he was assigned to West Point for five years as an instructor.

Mine Expert

In later years, Gen. Toftoy became a mine expert and for a time had charge of Panama Canal mine defenses. During World War II he figured in key efforts in the development of a key mine control system.

After attending the Command and General Staff School, Ft. Leavenworth, Kan., and the Ordnance School, Aberdeen Proving Ground, Md., Gen. Toftoy was assigned to his European ordnance intelligence

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Businessmen

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sion's warehouses and the commissary.

Arsenal Buys Million

During the panel discussions, the group heard that last year, the arsenal bought more than \$1,000,000 from local small businesses, and that the potential for increasing this volume is good. These purchases included ammunition boxes, mechanical goods, hardware items, commissary and subsistence needs, small construction contracts, metal fabrications, and numerous other items.

Exchange, \$200,000

Capt. Bruno Lambruschi described the Army-Air Force Exchange operations and said that the Redstone exchange bought about \$200,000 in local products for use in the cafeterias and PX outlets.

Brig. Gen. T. K. Vincent, arsenal commander, pointed out that the payroll potential for Huntsville businessmen is tremendous. Catering to this business is "something you businessmen should think more about", the general said.

Big Payroll

Of the arsenal's estimated 7,000 people, more than 75 per cent live in Madison County, and represent a payroll of at least \$800,000 a month, or about \$9,000,000 a year.

Many of the Huntsville visitors said they had not been to Redstone since the arsenal was established during World War II. Others who had paid calls here said this is the first time they realized exactly to what the arsenal is dedicated, and how vast the problems are it faces.

Here To Stay

Gen. Vincent and Col Toftoy both emphasized that Redstone, as one of the Ordnance Corps eight permanent arsenals is "here to stay," and that the vagaries of international situations will not cause it to be "something that rises and falls."

Col. Toftoy, who Gen. Vincent introduced as "Mr. Missile for the Army", and Dr. Wernher von Braun, technical director of the Guided Missile Development Group, explained the missions of the arsenal and the complexities of developing guided missiles requires the best brains available in every field of science known today.

Missiles Complex

The colonel said a guided missile system is more than just the missile alone, that it includes ground control units, launching facilities, pre-launching needs, besides the many items within the missile, such as propellants, guidance systems, fuelling systems.

"Because of these great complexities," the colonel said, "and because we are working in so totally a new field, we have to package contract for the development, engineering and production phases of our families of missiles."

Important Work

"This is one of the most important development programs in the nation today. The requirement for

guided missiles is real, as for the first time in its history, the nation is subject to crippling attack;

"The pressure on us is great to produce guided missiles as quickly as we can, and we are accelerating the program at every possible turn," the colonel concluded.

Col. Toftoy told something of the official background of Redstone's becoming the missile and rocket center. He said it took two years of a "selling job" to get the initial okay to reactivate as the free rocket center with contract companies manning the laboratories.

Ridgeway Approved

He said that Gen. Matt Ridgeway approved later plans to add the old Huntsville Arsenal facilities to Redstone so that the guided missile program could be established here.

The OML chief said that the attitude of the town's people, the housing conditions, the strategic location, as well as the available facilities at the World War II installation, won his 11th hour selection of Huntsville as site of these important defense missions.

Wise Choice

Gen. Vincent said that the selection of Redstone for the program was "economically and for the best of the nation, the wisest possible choice."

It was repeatedly underlined in the descriptions of Redstone, that it is a planning and coordinating center, and that no major manufacturing will be undertaken here. Only a limited amount of missile building for development and pilot line purposes may be undertaken.

Missiles Needed

Dr. von Braun in his description of guided missile development problems, that the fast armored division penetrations and transonic bombers made guided missiles necessary. The ranges and needs in both cases outstrips both conventional artillery and fighter aircraft.

He gave an example of some of the difficulties facing missile developers saying that the never-before-known performance requirements and conditions usually resulted in the design and redesign of a single missile part at least three times.

Paradoxical Problem

Dr. von Braun said too, that the paradox of building in dependability and accuracy in missiles faces the developer. Dependability means "ruggedizing" and simplifying, while accuracy means more controls and their increased complexity.

The business group heard talks from arsenal experts on stock control, purchasing and contracting, packaging and shipping, and financing. Maj. Barrett was host to the group.

HASTINGS, Neb. Thorough sales training can be a handicap! A tourist asked a restaurant employe where the restroom was. The employe said, "It's out of order." and without thinking added, "Can you come back tomorrow?"

The first U.S postage stamp was issued in 1847.

Xmas Gift Tips For Korean Joes

What to send a soldier in Korea for Christmas?

As much as you would like to see your favorite soldier have those fancy pajamas, house slippers, robes, colorful socks and neckties, remember that a Korean fahole is a far cry from the living room.

Cigarettes, cigars, razors, blades and other toiletries normally are available to him throughout Korea. Although these and other items would be appreciated, it's a good bet there are other gifts he would prefer.

Instead of sending him a large

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Students who received their proficiency certificates for the guided missile repair course were:

Pvts. William J. Gallagher, Raymond Harper, Raymond S. Henry, Thomas E. Heuring, Bernard N. Katz, Michael W. Kepchar, Joseph M. Kowalchick, Sal P. Labua, James J. O'Gorman, Arthur F. O'Leary, James D. Reed, Kenneth R. Wallen, Raymond R. Wurm, James J. Maher, William R. Voorhees, and John W. McIntyre.

Toftoy

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It was during this time that his command contacted the German missile experts and he selected about 130 of them to bring to the U.S. for work on missile projects. He also ordered the shipment of 16 Liberty shiploads of V-2 missile parts to the U.S. for experimental work here.

glass-encased photo to remember you by, send a small billfold-size picture so that he may carry it with him.

A.C. Nil

If you're toying with the idea of surprising him with a new electric razor, forget it. Electrical outlets in forward combat areas are almost non-existent.

If it's something to stuff his tummy, remember it's a long haul to Korea—and perishable items in all probability never would survive the voyage.

Time Killers Best

With time hanging heavy on his hands, favorite magazines and pocket books, puzzles, tricks, games, and playing cards will help break the monotony.

Small, sturdy flash-lights, pocket-knives, identification bracelets inscribed with his name and serial number, portable radios, and cameras are welcomed by most front-line soldiers.

Durable Eats

Always popular are the homemade goodies—the cakes, cookies, candies, and nuts—that answer his need for sweets and allow him to brag about mom's or sis's minor miracles in the kitchen. If it's cak-

es and cookies you're sending, protect your Yuletide gifts by packing them in a sturdy box or carton so they will not arrive as Christmas crumbs.

If you know he has a particular craving for a certain kind of delicacy, small tinned snacks may satisfy that stateside appetite in Korea.

Handy Bibles

A small, pocket-sized Holy Bible, or appropriate religious medals are welcomed by most combat men.

Whatever you send, remember that Christmas parcels for members of the Armed Forces overseas should be mailed before Nov. 15.

Pack Well

As in years gone by, Uncle Sam's military postmen will make a supreme effort to assist Santa with the tons of packages destined for overseas areas. You can help by mailing your gifts early and by packing them in strong wood, metal, fiberboard or double-faced corrugated cardboard boxes to insure safe delivery.

His Aching Back

Before you buy for that certain guy, remember — everything a soldier has in combat he must carry on his back. (ANF.)

IRENE JONES

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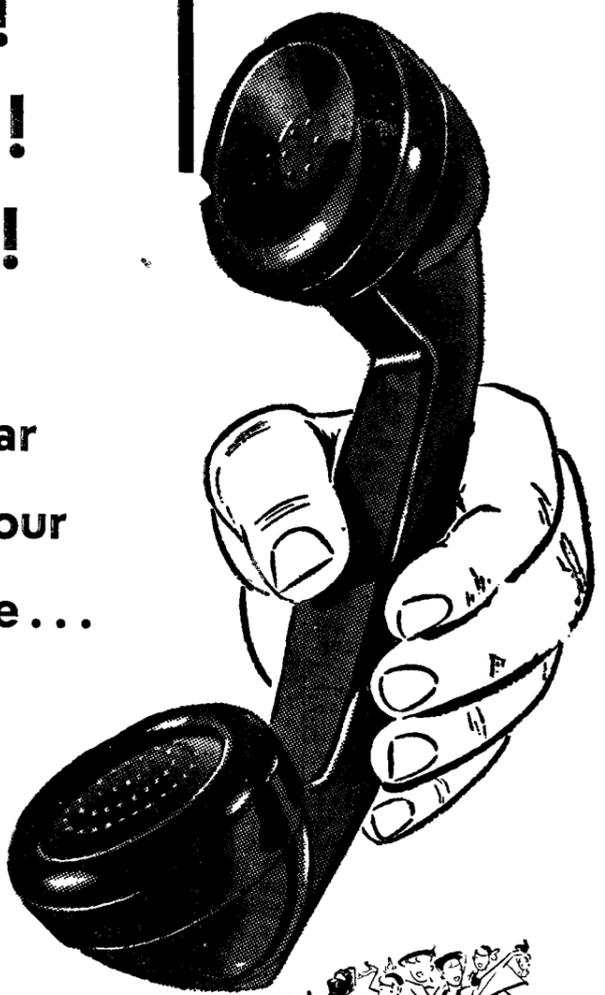
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When Are Blue Jeans Reddening? When Joan Dru Wears 'Em In Pix

Hollywood (AFPS) — Censorship in Hollywood has its comic side. The people who keep the flickers on the straight and narrow path recently reviewed "Thunder Bay," in which Joanne Dru plays a sexy role of a Creole girl on a shrimp boat. The censors took a peek at the blue jeans Miss Dru was wearing and blushed. "Too tight," they said "Especially in the-er-derriere." "I've worn tighter ones before," Miss Dru protested. "In

Consolidated Supply

By JEWELL KELLY

Overtime seems to be "The thing" in our division - only 51 days until Christmas.



Helen Thummel and Hazel Robertson can't sleep. They have sets. Zourie Light new television has been visiting Hazel and watching TV.

Dot Golden is taking lessons on "how to pick pocket" so she can get the \$75 and bill fold back that someone Florence Palmerlee visited little took from her in town.

Alice and attended the University of Alabama homecoming last weekend.

We have absent from our midst, Sallie Carson and Joan Rash whose husbands have been assigned overseas duty. Sallie is soon leaving for Wisconsin and Joan is leaving for New York.

Moses Namie has returned to us from Mallory Air Base in Memphis and is now working in the warehouse.

Everyone in Station Stock has their fingers crossed since Bill Corley is auditing their account again.

Chester and Aldridge Steveson took their guns and flips and left for Dodge City, Ka. on a hunting vacation.

Has Jackie Jensen replaced Sallie Carson?

Ruby Baron took a fast trip to Indianapolis and brought her mother-in-law home.

Edwina Moreton has transferred to Redstone Ordnance School, Bldg. 668-4.

Don Fitzpatrick is back at work in Mail and Records Section and the females are happy again.

George Reardon and family have moved from Chattanooga to Warren Park.

some westerns I wore jeans that looked like ballet tights." The censors thought it over. "You were a lady in those films," they said. "This is a sexier role. We have to be subtle about it." The next day a cryptic note was sent to the wardrobe department on official censorship stationery: "Please let out the seats in all of Joanne Dru's blue jeans."



CAPT. RALPH E. BOLVIN

It's Two Bars For One For Signal Officer

Capt. Ralph E. Bolvin, (above,) deputy Signal officer at Redstone Arsenal, recently received his promotion from first lieutenant.

The new captain is a native of Dixonville, Pa. He has been stationed at the Army's guided missile and rocket control center since September, 1951. Previously he served with U. S. forces in Korea.

Capt. Bolvin entered service in November, 1936 as an enlisted man. He received a Signal Corps commission in August, 1942, and served as an officer until November, 1945. He reverted to his enlisted rank of sergeant until outbreak of Korean hostilities when he was called up again as a reserve officer.

During his duty tour at Redstone, Capt. Bolvin temporarily served as post transportation officer in addition to his duties as deputy signal officer.

"How many soldiers work in your office?"

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ANOTHER MAN'S POISON



Thiokol Corp.

By PAT CRICK

All's quiet on the political front but we've heard reverberations that sound pretty ominous. John F. Smith (Democrat from Accounting) predicts rabbit hunting will be in full swing as of Jan. 21, 1952. Whether that he hndsght or foresight we'd advise anyone dis

hking the taste of rabbit to switch to mind over matter or from donkey to elephant. (No wonder JFS lost election—still using 1952 calendar! Ed.)

James L. Smith, Mech. Eng must surely report for work minus a good bit of sleep. Smith was the lucky winner of the television set given away at the Arsenal Halloween Dance and small need to mention that the prize was just in time to catch the election returns and —we'll bet—a lot of evening company!

Our wishes for a speedy recovery to Robert L. Dort hospitalized with a back injury.

Daisy Mae'd

Ruth Kate Logan is now back at her desk and with her usual smile after a journey in the hospital for bone surgery of the nose. Ruth says she can now "sniff" at the major problems in life.

Vacations seem to be still with us. Evelyn Lipscomb plans a two weeks vacation with points of interest down old Mexico way.

Our deepest sympathy goes out to Henry Nocke, Chief of Control

Lab, in the trying times he must endure through the love life of on Otis Cauthen and the sideline hecking of Betty Farrow and Lero, Hart.

Cauthen insists that he is no matrimonial minded but in view of the fact that he bolts for the door on Friday (for that weekly Chattanooga visit) and comes in Monday morning whistling needle: the curiosity of Betty and Hart. Maybe a little sideline encouragement would help but Hart is a bachelor also so small help there

Aw, go on, fellas. If it's any comfort to you — statistics prove that 50 per cent of the people married are men!! (Results of a Gallup poll?)

Two former employes are back at work with Thiokol once more Marion Cole, after a two year period with the Army, and William Swam, Jr. who had decided to postpone the college work for another year. Glad to have you back

Welcome to those who are just reporting: Jessie Kelsoe, Vernon L. Gullion, Ira Willis, Johnnie Lyle, Sam Jones, Merl Powers, John Rigney, Gene Lemons, William Cranford,

Norva, M. Jacks, Leonard Brewer, Robert P. Ware, William Dunlap, Melvin R. Phillips, George B. Day, Sanford Shaver, John Lightford, Henry Hankins, George Hurt, Will Allison, John Childress and Clifford Chunn.

Huff'n Puffer Diet

"Daffy-nitions" overheard this week: The conference room referred to as "Cave of the Winds"—glib gibber, Matt Weber (with apologies to whomever it may concern) . . . A "sooner dog", as defined by Leroy Hart, is one which could "sooner be one kind as another".

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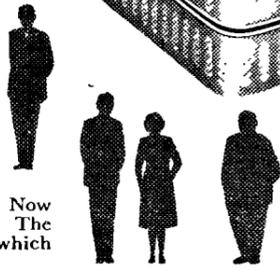
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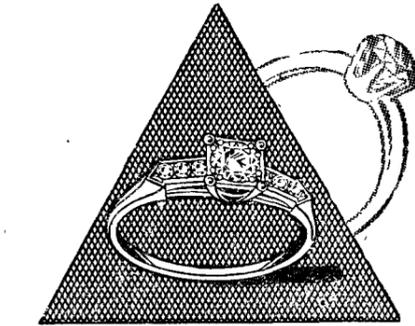
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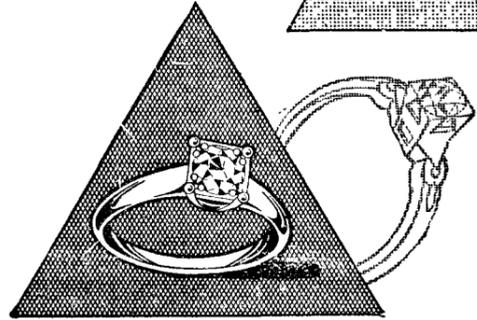
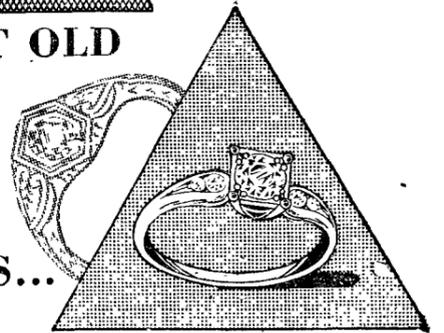
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AFTERMATH OF FIRE PREVENTION

This story comes from Cpl. Henry A. Eudenholdt and Pfc. Donald A. Kunstler, fire protection engineers, who tell of a small Illinois city's efforts to prevent a disastrous fire.

The town fathers argued for hours about how to avoid another disaster due to fireplugs freezing up. Finally one councilmember, slightly beyond his wit's end jumped up and moved that every fireplug be tested three days before a fire.

The council seconded and adopted the resolution.

From Post Surgeon - Little Diphtheria; A Medical Win

By CAPT. THOMAS C. McOSKER
Diphtheria is a disease first noted in Biblical times. Many epidemics swept Europe with a high death rate although it never was as severe as the plague.



During the end of the last century, the germ which caused the disease was discovered. Shortly thereafter it was determined that death was caused by a toxin which the microbe manufactured. In due time an anti-toxin was developed and control of the disease was at hand.

This material which neutralized the killing poison of the germ usually is made by injecting the poison into a horse in small amounts. The horse builds up an immunity to the poison and by concentrating the fluid, part of an immune horse's blood, we obtain the anti-toxin.

A similar process is used in the familiar lockjaw shot.

Prevention Necessary

However, the material only stops the process and does not rectify the damage already done. It is an obviously better idea to protect individuals against infection. At first, small amounts of the poi-

National Procurement

By NANCY R. SEWARD

Greetings to our new personnel - Lt. Jack E. Oberle, Lt. St. Clair F. Luzzi, Jr., Procurement Group; and Mr. John Grehan, Mobilization Planning Group. Our new lieutenants are both transfers from Aberdeen Proving Ground. By the way, Jack is a member of the "Fathers to be Leauge" Mr. Grehan, formerly a captain in the office of Director of Plans and Training is from Louisiana Military District. He and his family (wife and two boys) live in Huntsville. We're glad to have you working with us.



We want to extend our sympathies to Mr. Blackwell on the death of his father-in-law; Leonard Blay lock whose mother recently suffered from a stroke and the father of Elinor Webb and Carolyn Batt who underwent surgery last week. We are delighted to hear that Leonard's mother has improved. Fred Bagwell sent his "hello"

son or toxin mixed with the anti-toxin were injected and good protection was obtained.

However, the horse serum of the anti-toxin was a serious drawback because the injected person became allergic to horse serum. Nowadays we use a preparation formed by treating diphtheria toxin with chemicals. This alum precipitated toxoid is more powerful and not at all dangerous although occasionally a sore arm may result.

Inject Infants

Almost all doctors nowadays advise that infants only a few months old be given a series of these injections. Usually similar materials to prevent lockjaw and to minimize or prevent whooping cough are given in the same injection. This is effective for many years.

A simple test, called the Schick test, in which a tiny amount of the toxin is injected into a person's skin, can tell whether a person is immune to diphtheria or not. From the above it would seem that we have the disease pretty well controlled since we can prevent it and since we can stop it once started. This is true indeed, but we still have cases of diphtheria and sometimes a death because these methods are not used in time.

Few Cases

There were a few cases in Huntsville this year, but due to the rapid action of the excellent health department, its spread was stopped by mass immunization.

Many younger doctors have never seen a child die of this strangling, paralyzing disease. The discomfort from a few injections is little enough to pay for this result.

to us from Wichita, Kan. where he is now working for Boeing Aircraft. Fred says the town is a little crowded but he likes it.

Just about the proudest person we know of at the time is Mr. Heck about his new home on Hermitage. He's been using elbow grease and annual leave fixing it up.

In case you didn't notice in the "Heirs and Heiresses" column, Jack Ivy and his wife, Gladys had a baby daughter on Oct. 28. She is named Jacqueline and weighs a little over eight pounds. Congratulations, Jack and Gladys.

We welcomed Lonnie Hightower back to work again after a short vacation in Atlanta with his family. While there he saw the football game between Vanderbilt and Georgia Tech. Needless to say, Lonnie was rooting for Georgia Tech.

Joe Norris is now a handsome civilian again. Have you noticed his nameplate with the Mr. in two inch letters pasted over Sgt.

Congratulations to Pfc. Wally Bergstrom for winning third place in the Special Services photo contest (color class).

If anyone wants to see Lt Berke's face turn red, just ask him if the lights were too low or what was the matter on the night of the concert when he put his arm around the wrong girl.

Carolyn Batt went on a shopping trip to Nashville with her husband Oct. 24-26. Georgia Sullivan accompanied them in order to visit her mother there.

Returned from a week in Los Angeles are Mr. Jungerman and Mr. Helms; J. D. Murphy from a week in Philadelphia; and closer to home, George Ferrell from Eu-faula where he went to see the homecoming football game.

Holland Sauls left Nov. 1 for two weeks in Rock Island Arsenal to get some book learnings on manpower control.

Pfc. Burt Zempsky and Cpl Henry Weimann will depart Nov. 6, on leave. Burt will be gone about 25 days and plans to visit New Haven, New York, Syracuse, and Boston; Henry, 12 days, to visit New Haven, New York, Princeton, and Boston. Sounds like they're trying to out travel the whistlestop campaigners.

Nov. 4 will be a happy day around

here if for no other reason than that it will put an end to these endless feudal discussions at lunch time among the men. On the other hand, if the Republicans get in, the arguments may not be cut off after all, but it's five to one the lurches will. Don't let this concern you. I can't vote anyway. Happy election!

Sidetracked Captain

Question: When is an Army captain a first lieutenant?

Answer: When he doesn't know he's been promoted.

This bitter pill was swallowed by Capt. Dalcourte Thompson of Camp Polk, La. After sporting silver bars for many years the good lieutenant was notified he was really a captain—had been since July, 1951.

Capt. Thompson is a multi-decorated veteran of 71 months overseas service during WWII. He's been in the Army since 1936 and has been awarded the Silver Star, Bronze Star, and Purple Heart with cluster.

An investigation of the delayed notification is underway. (AFPS)

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Cage Kings Meet Thursday At "Y"

Thursday at 7 p. m. at the Central Y, the bigwigs of the YMCA Men's Basketball league will put on the conference cap for the last time before action opens up. At the meet the coaches and managers of the cagemen will meet to elect a league chairman, and to accept last minute entries. All entries must be sealed with the \$25 per team entry fee.

Volleyball Loop Begins First Week Of Play

The Ramblers, General Shoe and —General Shoe came out on top in last week's volleyball wars, and as of Friday, the Missilemen were due to corner their first win. The Ramblers took a hard fought set from the Rams, 15-6, 13-15, 16-14. Military problems netted the first win for General Shoe with a forfeit at the expense of the Missilemen. But the Shoemen came back in a second scheduled game to best the first of the week winners, the Ramblers, 15-11, 15-9. Set for Thursday are the Ramblers v. Rams; Friday, General Shoe v. Missilemen. Scheduled earlier this week were the Ramblers v. Missilemen, and Rams v. General Shoe.

Gridiron Rules Change To Play

NEW YORK (APFS) — Football fans this fall are seeing several rule changes in the game, for the whistle-tooters as well as the players must keep up with changing play patterns. Spread formations, on the rise in the past few years, are hitting their peak. Coaches have learned to cope with the tight T-formation

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Janet Leigh lets out a shriek as she tries to avoid the spray from an ocean breaker. Her latest movie assignment is in MGM's "Naked Spur."

offensives by setting up stronger defenses through the middle of the line. Split T-formations and spread-out offenses have resulted.

Officiating changed, too, to demands of wide - ranging football. The spread formations combine the good points of tight and split T-football; the referees, umpires (football has them, too), and field judges shifted their positions to combine old and new methods of keeping the game clean.

The field judge and the referee this year have shifted positions. The judge now stands astride the scrimmage line. The referee, to get better sight of clipping, pushing and other illegalities, takes his place behind the opposing lineman.

All four officials are required to use whistles. Specific rules have been altered or changed completely.

Clipping is now treated as it was a few years ago: "There shall be no blocking of an opponent other than the runner from behind, outside of the three yard by four yard scrimmage zone area."

The penalty for the defensive holding of offensive blockers has been raised from five to 15 yards.

An illegal shift violation in 1952 costs 15 yards; last year it was a five-yard loss.

Disqualification or suspension has been added to the 15-yard penalty for striking an opponent's head or face with the forearms.

Faking the fair catch rule (it allows the fair catcher to take no more than two steps in completing a catch without being tackled) will cost the culprit's team 15 yards.

Time will be ticking off when a substitute enters the game after the ready-to-play signal. Not only will a five-yard penalty be charged, but a timeout will be charged.

Last year there was only the five-yard penalty; the coach could substitute after the ready-to-play signal without forfeiting one of his five two-minute rest periods.

Half Of Army Now Overseas

Almost half of the personnel in the Army—more than 700,000 men—today are serving overseas.

Six divisions are in Korea and five more in Europe. In all, there is a total of 13 divisions overseas.

Gen. J. Lawton Collins, Chief of Staff, U. S. Army, addressing a meeting of the Carnegie Institute Society, also said that seven divisions are in the U. S., to conduct training and act as a manpower pool for the rotation program.

Must Train 750,000

Thousands of replacements are needed every month to support this rotation program, Gen. Lawton said. Veterans are being released at such a rate that the Army will have to train almost three-quarters of a million new men this year.

The difficulty of providing sufficient numbers of men to support the rotation program is shown by the fact that 13 divisions are overseas while only seven are active in the U. S. "Thus, in effect, each unit in the U.S., while losing its own personnel through separation, must train replacements for the personnel that are lost and, at the same time, supply replacements for two units overseas.

Underestimate Importance

"Today, with so many advances being made in the mechanical tools of war, there is a tendency on the part of some to overemphasize the importance of machines and to underestimate the importance of men.

"But the true value and importance of these tools to defend our freedoms depend finally upon the skill, the courage, and the conviction of the men who use them. Men will always be more important than machines, and on the battlefield men have always determined the issue and always will."—(APFS)

Officers' Release Policies Relaxed

Washington (APFS)—The rigid restrictions governing the release of officers from active duty have been relaxed, the Army announces.

Reason for the new policy, according to the Army, is the increasing number of officers serving voluntarily, and the availability of newly-commissioned officers.

It allows more officers to be released because of undue hardship or essentiality to national health, safety, or interest. However, this relaxation does not apply to all officers. Personnel not eligible under this policy are:

1. Officers of the Army Medical Service, other than Medical Service Corps, who would have to be

Sports Quiz

QUESTIONS

- 1 — Which pennant - winning teams of the National and American League were the last ones to win more than 100 games in a season?
- 2 — Who was the only boxer to register a defeat over Gene Tunney?
- 3 — Which race horse was the first to win more than \$1,000,000 for his owners?
- 4 — According to the record, the biggest fish ever caught weighed 2,176 pounds. Would you guess it was a (a) marlin, (b) tuna, (c)

ANSWERS

- 1 — The Red Sox were the last American League to win more than 100. They were victorious in 104 games in 1946. The Cards won 105 in 1944, the last team to do it in the National League.
- 2 — Middleweight Harry Greb decided Tunney before the later was heavyweight champion.
- 3 — Citation, retired at the age of six in 1951, is the first and only race horse to win more than a million dollars.
- 4 — (e) white shark.

The faults that annoy us most in others are often those we possess ourselves.

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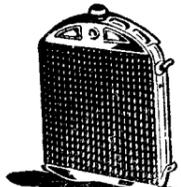
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IS RECENT BRIDE—Mrs. Myron F. Uherka is shown following her marriage Oct. 25 to the chief of the arsenal Management Office. The bride is the former Mrs. Lillian Reif, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy D. Hugston, Spartanburg, S. C. The wedding took place in the home of the bride's parents. Following a wedding trip to Florida, the Uherkas are residing at the Valley Park Trailer Village.

Miss Owen Is Honored At Pre - Nuptial Party

Mrs. Sam Sockwell and Mrs. Dyke McCullough were the hostesses at a linen shower and bridge and canasta party Nov. 5 honoring Miss Bubs Owen, bride-elect. The party was held at the home of Mrs. W. S. Sockwell, Whitesburg Pike. Miss Owen is an arsenal employee.

The rooms were decorated in the bridal colors of green and white. Green candles were centered on each table with miniature mums. Yellow and bronze chrysanthemums were used in arrangements through the house.

Mrs. Warren Sockwell and Mrs. W. S. Sockwell assisted the hostesses, and a salad course was served during the evening.

The honoree wore a kelly green silk dress, and was presented a corsage of gardenias by the hostesses.

Mrs. Edgar Clift won the high score prize at bridge, Mrs. Steve Johnson won the low score prize, and the canasta prizes went to Mrs. William Moore, and Mrs. Billy Rhea Harris. Mrs. E. M. Harris won a contest prize. There were 30 guests.

form for this occasion. Dance music will be furnished by Hilding Holmberg orchestra. Reservation may be made by calling Maj. A. A. Nichlosi's office, Ext. 5249, or the Officers' Mess, Ext. 3-2238.

Lt. and Mrs. Edward Sparkman were the high score winners at Couple's Bridge Club Nov. 3 at the Officers' Open Mess. Mrs. Thomas C. McOsker won the low score. Four tables were in progress with the Sparkmans making the arrangements. Capt. and Mrs. Thomas C. McOsker will be the host and hostess next meeting, at 7:30 p.m. Nov. 17 at the Mess. Those planning to attend should call the McOskers at Ext 3-11-59 by noon of Nov. 17.

John C. McOsker, Providence, R. I. is visiting at the home of his brother, Capt. Thomas C. McOsker and family.

Farewell Party

More than 50 persons from the Ammunition Division honored Mr. and Mrs. I. D. Lewis at a farewell dinner Nov. 7, at the Russel Erskine Hotel. Following the dinner, the guests went to Cambron's Aero Club for dancing. Mr. Lewis is an Ammunition Division employe



WED SATURDAY—Mrs. Donald Ray Jordan is the former Miss Cordelia Brentlinger, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell Brentlinger, Louisville, Ky. She was married Nov. 8 to Lt. Jordan, son of Lt. Col. Henry R. Jordan. The wedding took place in the Tulip St. Methodist Memorial Chapel, Nashville. They will reside at Ft. Hood, Tex. following a wedding trip to Redstone, and to Florida.

Brentlinger - Jordan Marry In Nashville

Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell Brentlinger, Louisville, Ky., announce the marriage of their daughter, Cordelia, and 2nd Lt. Donald Ray Jordan, son of Lt. Col. Harry R. Jordan, Redstone executive officer. The wedding took place Nov. 8 at the Tulip St. Methodist Memorial Chapel in Nashville.

The bride is a graduate of Okolona high school, Louisville. Lt. Jordan entered the Army on graduation from the Fayetteville, N.C. high school, and was graduated Nov. 5 from Armored Officer Candidate School, Ft. Knox, Ky.

Following the ceremony, the couple left for a wedding trip to Redstone Arsenal to visit Col. Jordan, and to Florida. They will reside at Ft. Hood, Tex. where Lt. Jordan has been assigned.

who is resigning to return to his business in Springfield, Tenn.

The "office force" of Capt. Joe Burnett's Quartermaster office surprised him with a birthday cake, ice cream, and coffee Nov. 3. Mrs. Burnett and son Robert were also invited.

Six tables of bridge were in play at Ladies Bridge Club Nov. 6 at the Officers' Open Mess. First prize

Heirs And Heiresses

Pfc. and Mrs. Samuel Ringel announce the birth of Allan Richard Nov. 4 at the Wesson Maternity Hospital, Springfield, Mass. The baby weighed six pounds and 13 ounces.

\$10 Billions In NSLI May Lapse By Law

Washington (AFPS) — More than \$10 billion in lapsed government term life insurance will be lost forever under present laws unless the 1,200,000 veterans who have permitted their policies to lapse, reinstate them before terms expire during the next 14 months.

The Veterans Administration said the policies involved are lapsed term NSLI that were issued to two groups of WWII and post-WWII veterans:

(1) The 1,100,000 WWII veterans was won by Mrs. Robert Merchant, second prize by Mrs. Henry C. Thayer, third prize by Mrs. James Fagan, and Mrs. A. A. Nicolosi won low score. The next meeting is at 10:30 a.m. Nov. 20 at the Mess. Mrs. Thayer, Wives Club bridge chairman, has requested that those who plan to attend should call her by noon of Nov. 18 at Ext. 3-1156.

Col. and Mrs. Henry C. Thayer and Lt. Col. and Mrs. Stanley Smolensk attended the Army-Georgia Tech football game Nov. 8 in Atlanta. Col. and Mrs. Thayer and children went on to Anniston to spend the weekend in Anniston with Mrs. Thayer's sister and family.



THIOKOL EMPLOYE WEDS—Mrs. William Tarpley, employe of Thiokol Corp., Redstone Division, was married Nov. 8 in Augusta, Ga. to Pvt. Tarpley, who is stationed at Camp Gordon, Ga. Mr. and Mrs. J. Earl Gurley, the bride's parents, Lacey Springs, accompanied her to Augusta. Pvt. Tarpley is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Tarpley, Pulaski, Tenn.

who took out NSLI policies while they were in service during the last two months of 1944 and all of 1945, and

(2) The 100,000 WWII and post-WWII veterans who took out NSLI policies while there were in service during the last two months of 1947 and all of 1948.

If veterans in either group do not wish to lose this coverage altogether, they must reinstate their policies before the terms expire. Otherwise, they will not be eligible for further government life insurance coverage.

Personals

Officers' Ball

A free formal military ball will be held for members of the Officers' Open Mess from 9 p. m. until 1 a. m., Nov. 14 in Bldg. 1051, formerly occupied by Officers' Clothing Sales Store. Military personnel are encouraged to appear in uni-

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anan, Outbound
Freight, enjoyed
a three-day leave
Oct. 22 through
24, just staying
at home. Blanche
lives in Decatur, Ala.

Jo Hannah, Inbound Freight,
was back at work Nov. 5, after an
illness of several days. When one
of these girls in Transportation is
out, even for one day, she is im-
mediately missed by all the others.

Ruby Athey was also out sick
several days.

Leila Moore, Passenger Move-
ment Section, and husband spent
week of Nov. 3 in Biloxi, Miss.
Mr. Moore has been undergoing
medical treatment there.

With unexpected "turn of
events", Ruby Athey and hubby
Lawrence are really doing some
thinking ahead. They went "rabbit
huntin'" Nov. 8. We may have to
help them eat that rabbit.

Toots Maples, Passenger Move-
ments, and Murry Her husband,
spent Nov. 1 weekend in Birming-
ham. They attended the Alabama-
Georgia football game.

Martha McClendon was also a-
mong the numerous Redstonites
who attended the game.

Erma Wooten, Inbound Freight
looked like she had lost her last
friend, when she came to work Oct.
31. But by the next Monday she
had that gleam in her eye and was
all smiles again. Could it be that
"lover boy" from Georgia changed
all of that, during the weekend?

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too big look out for the machines.
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RECEIVES COMMISSION — Lt. Donald Ray Jordan, son of Lt. Col. Henry R. Jordan, was graduated Nov. 5 from the Armored Officers Candidate School, Ft. Knox, Ky. His father pinned on the second lieutenant's bars, during the graduation ceremonies.

Col. Jordan Pins Son's Gold Bars

Lt. Col. Henry R. Jordan attend-
ed Armored Officer Candidate
School graduation exercises Nov. 5
at Ft. Knox, Ky., when his son, Lt.
Donald Ray Jordan, was commis-
sioned a second lieutenant. Col. Jordan
pinned the second lieutenant's
bars on his son during the gradu-
ation ceremony.

Lt. Jordan was designated a dis-
tinguished graduate, finishing in the
number two position in his class,
one point behind the honor gradu-
ate. He was the winner of the Arm-
ored field sweepstakes at Ft. Knox,
an event scheduled to test the ef-
ficiency of all OCS candidates.

The new lieutenant's first duty
assignment is the 509th Tank Bat-
talion Ft. Hood, Tex.

Preventive Dentistry Saves Army Teeth

Washington (AFPS) — A re-
search program designed to save
one million teeth a year is now
being conducted by the Army Medi-
cal Service.

The Army program of preven-
tive dentistry and causes of tooth
decay and diseases is in coopera-
tion with the National Research
Council and many other civilian
professional groups. This research
already has resulted in better teeth
for Service personnel.

Mag. Gen. George E. Armstrong,
Army Surgeon General, reports
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disclosed by the Alaskan Com-
mand.

The base, one of the best-guard-
ed defense secrets of the northern
perimeter, literally was dropped
from the skies by Air Force C-82
Flying Boxcars. No civilians were
employed in the rush project.

It was built for approximately
\$275,000 compared with an average
cost of \$2,500,000 for similar radar
posts in Alaska.

The installation is situated in the
heart of a mountain wilderness,

more than 100 miles from the near-
est trail or navigable river. A round
the-clock airlift from a central base
parachuted every piece of equip-
ment from nails to bulldozers.

Weather at the base is the worst
in Alaska with temperatures of
60 degrees below zero and winds
of 120 mph.

Philots flying to the base are
handpicked. In landing they must
come down over a ridge or ap-
proach the field by flying through
a deep ravine.

Either way, once the plane starts
the approach, the landing must be
made. The airstrip ends against a
mountain wall, and there is no
chance to correct a faulty approach.

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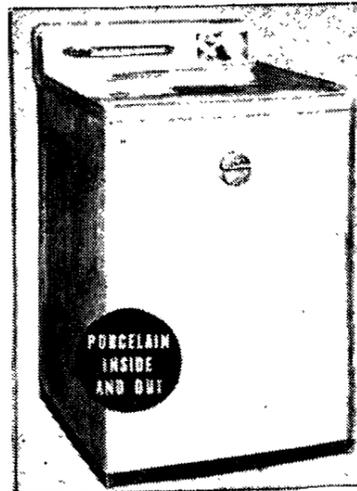
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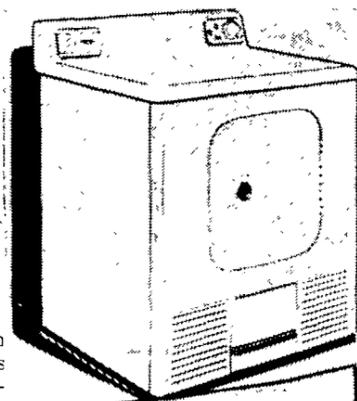
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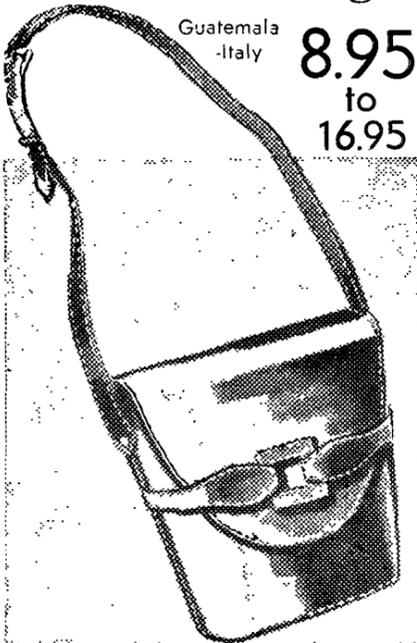
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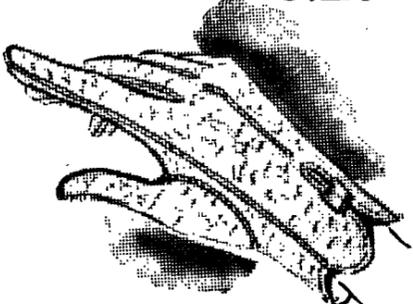
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