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**DIGGING IN**—Carving steak is no problem for six-year-old Charles Byram. A good appetite and a steady hand are all that's needed. Eating supper in the NCO Club, Charles was caught by the camera at a tense but happy moment. He is the son of SFC and Mrs. L. A. Byram. (Photo by O. B. Schlotterbeck).

## ORDNANCE GETS A NEW LEADER

### Cummings Named To Replace Ford

The announcement of the appointment of Maj. Gen. Emerson L. Cummings as Chief of Ordnance last week was received without surprise at Redstone. Rumors had been circulating for several days mentioning his name. He succeeds Maj. Gen. E. L. Ford, who is retiring.

Gen. Cummings has been assigned as chief of the Industrial Division at OCO.

Originally from Michigan, the general is a 1924 graduate of the United States Military Academy, finishing fourth in his class. He was commissioned in the Corps of Engineers on graduation, and transferred to the Ordnance Corps in 1938.

He was assigned to OCO in Washington 1940-42, OCO Detroit, 1942-45, OCO Headquarters in Europe, 1945, was deputy chief of Ordnance in Europe in 1945, detailed to General Staff, Logistics, 1948-50, and to OCO, in 1950.

Gen. Cummings is a graduate of Command and General Staff School, Engineer School company officers course, Ordnance School, Chemical Warfare School field officers course, holds a degree in engineering from Cornell University, a bachelors degree in mechanical engineering from Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

There was a lack of more detailed information at the time the paper went to press.



MAJ. GEN. CUMMINGS

## Change Announced In Vehicle Rules

Redstone agencies checked-out with government vehicles are now required to deliver them to the maintenance shop for scheduled maintenance, and unnumbered memorandum released early this month stated.

This move was made necessary due to the reduced number of personnel assigned to Transportation, the memo stated.

When maintenance becomes due, a memorandum will be attached to the trip ticket showing time and place to deliver vehicle.

The driver will deliver the vehicle to an inspector who will sign the memo, showing that vehicle has been turned over to him. Then the driver will turn in the trip ticket and memorandum to his respective motor pool or to the Main Motor Pool.

## Insurance Sales To Stop at RSA

No more insurance solicitation at Redstone, a recent policy announcement stated.

The policy applies to all Ordnance installations having classified operations or materials.

An indorsement by Gen. Vincent stated: "Due to the classified operations at this arsenal, it is deemed to be in the best interest of national security to prohibit the solicitation of insurance on the military reservation."

### NOTICE

Subscriptions are available for the Redstone Rocket. If you are leaving Redstone and would like for the newspaper to follow you, it only costs three dollars a year—or \$1.50 for six months.

Some persons working at White Sands or other installations over the country are interested in seeing copies of The Rocket. A check or money order to the publisher, Jack Hoffhaus, Hartselle, Ala., will get you a subscription.

what not to fill out a band. The instrument problem was temporarily solved by scouring half the high school and college bands within 100 miles, borrowing a cornet here and a drum there.

The band made public appearances in two states and received requests for more. But instrument-borrowing became a bothersome problem and the band was dissolved.

Then some mysterious benefactor somewhere in the Third Army area came to Redstone's rescue.

The band had barely quit functioning when drums, bugles, saxophones, horns, and flutes began pouring in.

So we have a band again—this time with instruments.

As a visiting officer to the guided missile center said recently:

"It's amazing that so much

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## REDSTONE'S BRAINY G.I.'s DISPLAY UNUSUAL TALENTS IN MANY FIELDS

BY FOSTER HALEY

Although they live mostly in a world of guided missile and rockets, the soldiers here at Redstone spent much of their time displaying unusual talents in unsuspected fields.

Soldier-scientists by day, everything else by night . . .

With only a handful of troops, Redstone Arsenal boasts a crack 40-piece band, a 18-man choral group that appears on TV, and athletic teams of all descriptions—good, bad and fair. Also writers, radio announcers, private pilots, artists, and ministers of the gospel.

For more than a year now, the Information and Education office here has been claiming that the educational level of Redstone soldiers is the highest in the Army. They've claimed it long and loud—in places like the Army Times—and nobody has argued about it yet.

Twenty per cent of the privates are college graduates, and 85 per cent high school graduates. These figures take in the cooks, carpenters, and river boat pilots as well as the engineers, mathematicians, physicists, and other scientists.

Some of the most brilliant and imaginative brains in the world work steadily at the job of developing new weapons of defense that may someday play their part in beating back a powerful aggressor.

An awesome responsibility rests upon the military technicians, scientists, and engineers here.

Redstone is the nerve center not only for the research and development of rockets and guided missiles, but for the procurement, storage and repair of the entire family of Army Ordnance missiles.

When Private Bob Yeazell decided to round up a full-fledged military band recently, he ran into only two problems—no instruments and no musicians.

The musician part was solved when they combed the troops and found, rather amazingly, enough rumpet players, clarinetists and

## SUPERS TRAINING TO START SOON

### Program to Reach Top Supervisors

Plans are being completed for a Supervisor Development Program, for Wage Board and Class Act first and second line supervisors, it was announced by Frank R. Royal, chief of the Training Branch in Civilian Personnel.

A series of pre-planning conferences have been completed Royal said. The conferences, led by L. L. Guess, were conducted to sound out the opinions and ideas of branch and division chief in order to work out the best program possible.

The purpose of the proposed supervisor conferences is to develop a sense of managerial responsibility in top supervisors and to point out what they can do to improve efficiency and employe relations.

"We want supervisors to realize that they are a member of the management team," Royal said.

About 30 supervisors will attend the conferences, Royal said. They will be separated into smaller groups—each group attending for one week, a total of 40 hours.

A certain number of conference spaces will be allotted to each arsenal division. It will be up to the divisions to decide which supervisors will attend, Royal said.

Among the subjects to be covered in the program are: Elements of Supervision, Policies — Their Interpretation and Use, Management Office Functions, Supervisor's Role in Management, Cooperation and Communication, Planning the Work, Salary and Wage Program, Employee Selection, Employing Training, Maintaining Discipline, Techniques and Methods of Discovering and Adjusting Grievances, Rating System, Suggestion and Awards System, Recent Developments in Safety, Morale and Leadership.

Royal stressed the importance of the full backing of the Management Office in order to insure a successful program.

## Sale Starts Monday For Concert Tickets

Tickets go on sale at Redstone next week for Huntsville's 1953-54 Community Concerts series, Walt Weisemann, publicity chairman for the association, said.

After two successful seasons, Weisemann said that another capacity sale is expected this year.

James Melton, well-known Metropolitan tenor, has been tentatively booked for the series. Melton's concert will be one of four covered by the six-dollar tickets that will be sold next week in all arsenal divisions.

The piano duo of Morley and Gearhart will present a program sometime in the Spring. The exact date has not yet been announced.

Two additional concerts, to be announced later, will round out the series, Weisemann said.

Melton, a native of Tennessee, has established an excellent reputation in opera and on the concert stage. He is also well known for his warm interpretation of American and European folk music.

The duo-piano team of Morley and Gearhart won national following during the eight years that they appeared on Fred Waring's radio and television shows. The two artists have also received high praise for their concert stage appearances.

### PARADOX . . . What are the safest factory jobs?

Those in ammunition plants of the U.S. Army. This kind of work in 1952 was only one fourth as hazardous as that in the average American factory.

—This Week Magazine



**CIVILIAN CHEST COMMITTEE**—Shown here are some of the leaders in the annual Community Chest drive on the arsenal which will be launched this week. From left to right, they are: Mrs. Ophelia Mitcham, Post Engineer; Thurman C. Burns, OGMS; E. L. Saint, Ammunition Division; Mrs. A. B. Smith, Jr., secretary-treasurer for the arsenal campaign; Kenneth Rossman, GMDD; J. J. Fagan, arsenal civilian chairman; and Lawrence Cooper, FSD. (Photo by Sgt. Coddington.)

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## THANKS FROM ARMY SAFETY DIRECTOR

The results of the Army's campaign to cut down on the number of traffic accidents involving military personnel can be seen in a recent announcement from Eliot V. Parker, Army Safety Director. Parker said:

"... reports ... indicate that 11 military personnel died as a result of accidents which occurred during the 85 hour period between 1700 hours 4 September and 0600 hours 8 September. This represents a reduction of approximately 50 per cent below the figures for 1952 and 1951.

"Non-Army motor vehicle accidents resulted in eight deaths, a reduction of 53 per cent from the number in 1952.

"The credit for this major reduction belongs to the many thousands of troops who accepted the limitations produced by congested traffic and willingly drove with more than ordinary care."

## ARMY REVISES NONCOM STRUCTURE TO RESTORE LEADERSHIP, PRESTIGE

WASHINGTON (AFPS) — The Army is in the process of making sweeping revisions in its NCO structure.

The move, designed to restore NCO leadership and prestige, separates NCO's from specialists all down the line.

Army Chief of Staff, Gen. Matthew Ridgway, has approved preliminary plans and revised TO&Es will be sent to field commands by Jan. 1, 1954.

The plans call for separating all present NCO's having command responsibilities from their specialist counterparts, giving the latter entirely new designations. Pay grades will remain the same and the top two grades of specialists probably will retain NCO privileges.

Here is what the new ranks will be called and how they correspond to their present counterparts.

Pay Gd.	NCO Gd.	Spec Gd.
E-7	M/Sgt.	Sen. Spec.
E-6	Sfc.	First Class "
E-5	Sgt.	Second Class "
E-4	Cpl.	Third Class "

The basic difference is that the Army is paying the NCO for leadership qualities and the specialist for technical or administrative ability.

The Army previously carried approximately 62 per cent of its enlisted strength in the NCO category. Under the new plan, only 18 percent of the enlisted personnel will be NCO's.

Designs for specialist rates are being studied. Six have been approved by the Heraldic Branch, OQMG, and QM procurement officials. They are now in the hands

of Gen. Ridgway for approval.

When the General passes on the six possibilities, a three-week pilot study will determine which design appeals to NCO's and specialists most, and then production of the new stripes will begin.

It is estimated it will take six months from the time of the design approval to the time the stripes reach the field, but interim arrangements are being worked out.

The special regulation governing the sweeping change is expected to be in G-1 hands by Oct. 15 for staffing.

Here is how the new system will work out percentage-wise:

Pay Grade	NCO	Spec.
E-7	95%	5%
E-6	70%	30%
E-5	25%	75%
E-4	5%	95%

In the new TO&E's the corporal has few command responsibilities, therefore the number of corporals will be low.

Here are some of the practical situations which the new move brings on:

Jones, who is an NCO in grades E-5 through E-7 will be addressed as Sgt. Jones, or if he is an E-4, as Cpl. Jones. If Jones is a specialist in one of the pay grades of E-4 through E-7, he will be addressed as Specialist Jones.

Examples of common staff and organizational NCO positions:

First sergeant, motor sergeant, mess steward, sergeant major, operations sergeant and platoon sergeant.

Specialist examples: Automatic rifleman, tank driver, gunner, high-speed radio operator, medical lab technician and welder.

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## Inspectors Convene For Conference Here

The first nationwide Army Ordnance Inspector conference on guided missiles conducted by Quality Control Branch was held here last week.

The problems affecting inspectors and Redstone were discussed and conclusions agreed upon. Tentative plans for another conference to be held in the near future were made, date and location to be established later.

Representatives in attendance included: A. R. Spence and H. J. Ferrero, N. Y. Ordnance District; S. C. Durland and W. C. Ferguson, Los Angeles Ordnance District; R. Nickols and E. M. Beck, Philadelphia Ordnance District; K. I. Moore and A. P. Rodman, Cleveland Ordnance District; C. M. Rhodes, Pueblo Ordnance Depot; R. F. Jost, G. B. Baker and V. G. Malchow, Chicago Ordnance District; F. A. Fleck, OCO Reliability group; C. T. Lowry, Redstone Ordnance Office, Los Angeles area; T. A. Connare, Erie Depot and J. P. Huie, Quality Control representative, White Sands Proving Ground.

Arsenal segments representatives were: Lt. R. E. Bauman, OGMS; Stanley Palmer, FSD; A. J. Zazzi, B. D. Broadwater, O. N. Scofield, F. B. Thompson, A. L.

## BUDGET & FISCAL

BY M. MENDEL

Between visiting with her husband and arsenal activities, Elsie Hugel has decided to be our ex-correspondent, leaving yours truly in the role of correspondent for Budget and Fiscal.

Smiling faces are especially evident on two of our employes. Phil Hugel returned from Japan and was sent to Brookes Army Hospital, San Antonio. Mrs. Elsie Hugel joined him there for three weeks. After 15 days convalescent leave at home, he returned to Brookes for a check-up and re-assignment. Our other smiling face belongs to Mrs. Christine Stevenson. Her husband has just returned after 19 months in the Far East. During the past two weeks they visited friends in Kansas City and Oklahoma.

We welcome the following new employes:

Mr. James Cobb transferred from Mail and Records to Cost. He is married and has one child.

Mr. James Hoskins transferred from Mail and Records to Pay-

Graham, J. L. Studdard, W. E. Blades, J. H. McArthur, W. B. Allen, A. Bedford and Arthur Rudolph, chairman of the committee, NPD.

roll as timekeeper.  
Mrs. Nancy Abbott has joined us from Cincinnati. Her husband is stationed here with the Ordnance Guided Missile School.  
Mrs. Marian Baker, an employe in Cost during World War II, is back with us again.  
Mrs. Mariam Ewing transferred from Field Service to work in Cost Accounting.  
Mrs. Eleanor Fortini, from Springfield, Mass., and Mrs. Phyllis Hoxie, from Pittsfield, Mass., whose husbands are stationed here with the Ordnance Guided Missile School.  
Miss Camille Nulta transferred from Purchasing and Contracting as secretary to our assistant chief.  
Mrs. Anne Taylor has joined us to work in our bookkeeping control section.  
Mrs. Ruby Berry has just returned from maternity leave. Mrs. Berry will be glad to show anyone a picture of the new heir.  
We were sorry to lose Mrs. Helen Newby who transferred to Purchasing and Contracting and Mr. Charlie Rodenhauser who left us for the Post Engineer Division. Mrs. Loretta Colburn is home waiting mention in the "Heirs and Heiresses Column."

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## Publicity Pays Off In New Enlistments

Recent publicity in newspapers and the Army Times has resulted in about 1400 new enlistments for the Army, an OGMS spokesman reported.

The 1400 recruits asked specifically to be assigned to the guided missile school, the spokesman said.

The national publicity given to the school originated with the Public Information Office here at Redstone. Stories and pictures about the school have appeared in a number of newspapers and periodicals over the country.

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**FIELD SERVICE DIVISION**  
BY SUDIE AMSLER

Col. Beach and his family did a little bit of everything on their vacation. They went to Montrose, Pa., to visit Col. Beach's family, then to Bristol, N. H., to make a call on Mrs. Beach's father, Mr. W. H. Arnold. They spent about ten days at a cottage near Lake Newfound. They went to the county fair, where they rode the merry-go-round and the Ferris wheel with Jane Anne, 4, and Peter Taylor, 14 months. They saw the White Mountains and the Skyline Drive, which Col. Beach said are beautiful this time of the year. But it was the two-day shopping spree in New York City that broke the bank (the Colonel's own words) and sent them scurrying home.

There was only one dark spot to mar the vacation—a black eye for Peter Taylor. Col. Beach said he tumbled, fell against the board walk at the cottage, and got a perfect shiner. Let's hope he has such pat answers for future black eyes—if any.

Lawrence Cooper, FSD's chairman for the Community Chest drive, has been the very busy beaver, placing those pretty posters around the building. His committee is composed of Mona King, NEC; Martin L. Kingsmore, NMP; and Herbert Parker, NSCP. They'll be ready for you, folks, when the drive opens on the 14th.

Jean Wilburn came to the Adm. Office, FSD, to assist in the operation of the library—and heaven knows, the library could use some assistance; for is the word "assistants?" Jean finished Hazel Green High School last spring, worked a while at Kress', then decided to try her luck with the Department of the Army, Ord. Corps. SO-O-O-O glad to have you, Jean.

In answer to all the questions, Dave Turvey's reason for being a southpaw this week was an infected right hand. Dave says it's coming along fine.

The puny list claimed Nina Duncan, and it was the hospital for Wanda Palmer. Get well fast, girls; you're being missed.

This is a sad, sad story, but there's a happy ending. Two members of the Eng. Br. of NMP, Royal L. Scott and Bill Huff, had been on TDY in California and were informed their stay would be extended. They wanted very much to come home. They pleaded that they had no money, their clothes were dirty, they needed haircuts, they worked late nights, and so on and so on. Oh, this is so sad. Alas, it was a painful duty for the bosses to assign, but the word went out to them that they must remain two or three more weeks.

Those engineers remaining in resident duty at NMP were touched by the pitiable plight of their pals. They emptied their pockets, made up a fund, and assembled a (miniature) CARE package for the comfort and solace of the troubled twosome—all done after working hours. Of course, they pooled their combined knowledge of packing, packaging, numbering and marking specifications, along with their cash, and sent a benevolent bundle to the West coast. In the package were a small wash tub (a "reusable container"), clothes line and clothes pins, cleaning fluid, Duz, \$25,000 (in play money), a package of NO-

DOZE pills and a small smoothing iron. They also tried to float the temporary loan of that handy little gadget called a "Comb-a-Trim". (The owner of the last named item was loath to part with it; so loath, in fact, that he didn't—but anyway, they tried).

This message came wig-wagging back from the Coast: "We didn't know you CARE-D".

**PERSONALS:** Dorothy Hopkins and a girl friend from Ann Arbor, Mich., spent two weeks at Dot's Oklahoma home—Dotty gained 10 pounds. We see Doris Roden is flitting around in a Buick nowadays. Lee Bowman is back at work after three days' annual leave. Virgil Jennings, Col. Beach's driver, has recuperated from a short illness.

The redecorating job on Mai-

**I. R. E. Plans Visit To Anniston Plant**

The Huntsville Subsection of the Institute of Radio Engineers has planned a field trip to the Anniston Tube Plant of the General Electric Company on Oct. 16, it was announced by R. C. Haraway.

The visit is planned jointly with the Atlanta I. R. E. Section. It will take the place of the regular monthly meeting.

Transportation to the Anniston plant will be by private cars. Guests, visitors, wives are invited

son-Shrout is approaching a finale. Tom, the wife, and all four chillun have been spreading paint all over the place, including themselves, and they hope to move in before long. Into the house they recently bought and it's on Marchantz, however you spell it—

to make the tour.

Arrangements have been made with the management of the plant for a tour of the installation to include the viewing of production lines in operations.

In order that necessary arrangements may be completed, everyone desiring to attend is urged to contact either C. O. Brock, Ext. 5870, or R. C. Haraway, Ext. 5515,

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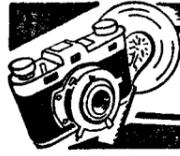
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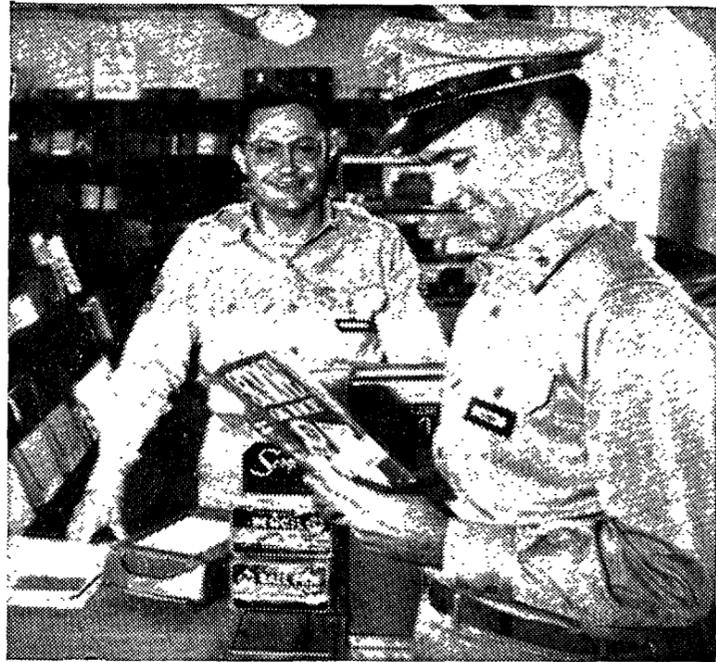
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**NEW BOOK STORE OPENS NEAR PX**

**Soft Music Piped To Book Browsers**

Yesterday a book shop was opened at Redstone Arsenal for use in troop activities, and open to dependents and reserves of the armed forces as well. It is located in Bldg. T-187, across from the Post Exchange.

M/Sgt. William B. Allen is in charge of the store from 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. daily. On Saturday's the store will be open from 9:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. These hours may be adjusted later according

to demand.

The bookstore officer is Lt. Keith A. Glasgow, secretary of the Ordnance Guided Missile School, and his assistant in the bookstore is also his assistant as secretary, Lt. Lodwick M. Cook.

At the bookstore, people can pick up such items as handcraft sets, games and greeting cards as well as the latest in fiction and fact. Any book the store does not have in stock may be ordered through them.

Such services as subscriptions to favorite magazines, newspapers and other periodicals may be obtained at the bookstore. One unique service with which the operators are experimenting is a picture frame on which baby's shoes may be mounted, bronzed for posterity. This particular service will take several weeks. The shoes are bronzed in Cincinnati, Ohit.

The store is stocked with an almost complete set of the college outline series as well as handy books, technical manuals and text books.

For those who carry their offices with them, the bookstore has brief cases, portable typewriters, card-size mimeograph machines and office supplies of all types.

Cooks will find a collection of books offering both exotic and plain, old-fashioned recipes. In the field of etiquette, both the military and civilian fields are covered so one need not be without a guide in any situation.

Telephone service is offered to those who wish to order an item when it is inconvenient to visit the bookstore. The phone number is 5922.

However, browsing in the bookstore is encouraged by soft music, piped in during the hours the store remains open.

One of the books they have in stock at present is Professor Werner von Braun's newly published, "The Mars Project."

The store was prepared for operation by troops from the Ordnance Guided Missile School. They were given a display cabinet by the Post Exchange and made another to match, even dyeing the wood to look like the old one. They also built bookshelves and a book rack, painted the interior in soothing green and generally dressed the place up to look

**THE POST LIBRARY**

By Anna L. Farrar

**NEWSPAPERS**

The following list of newspapers is currently being received by the Post Library. Personnel is invited to avail themselves of the opportunity of keeping in touch with the "Ole Home Town"—in case your paper is listed, and of keeping informed on world affairs.

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## "ON THE HILL"

BY PFC. TONY BENFANTE

A guy finds a great deal of variety when perusing a newspaper. Next to the crossword puzzles, I get a bang out of reading the "love lorn" columns. There is always some poor individual in desperate need of advice and assistance. To those dejected, despondent, and depressed people, I devote this week's column.

Dear Mr. Anthony Mason:  
I was born at a very early age and am therefore ridiculed and scorned by my so-called friends. All my life I've been laughed at because nature erred when she gave me three heads. Employment for me, as you can readily see, is very difficult. Doctor's tell me that I am allergic to saw dust; therefore a circus is out of the question. Pray help me! What shall I do?

My dear Mr. Tripod,  
I will not sympathize with you for that is a sign of weakness. I have given your case much attention and consideration. With the 3-Dimension fad now prevalent, you should have no trouble getting a job. There is a pawn shop in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania that

can use you, providing you shave your heads!; or my dear friend, you can dye your three heads red, white and blue. After all most people have but one head to give their country, and you have three!

Dear Mr. Anthony Mason:  
I just turned eleven years old last week and my parents have the audacity to tell me that I am too young to marry! Oscar, he is my boy friend, loves me very much. He recently reached the age of sixty-eight. I just know that I am mature enough to marry, because I no longer 'burp'

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My Dear Miss Fortune:

If Oscar can provide you with a baby carriage and a doll house; by all means marry the man. Buy a one way ticket to Iuka before he changes his mind. . . .  
Dear Mr. Anthony Mason:

I am the mother of fourteen very lovely children whose ages range from one month to fourteen months. John and I love to spend evenings out attending the movies; but the children are somewhat an obstacle. We are in dire need of a baby sitter. What can we do?

My. Dear Mrs. Fertile:

If I recall correctly your children's ages range from one month to fourteen months. Are you sure you and your husband spend evenings out watching the movies; or do you mean evenings home watching television?? . . .

Any similarity between the "character" 'Mr. Anthony Mason' and the living Mr. Anthony or Miss Mary Mason is purely intentional.

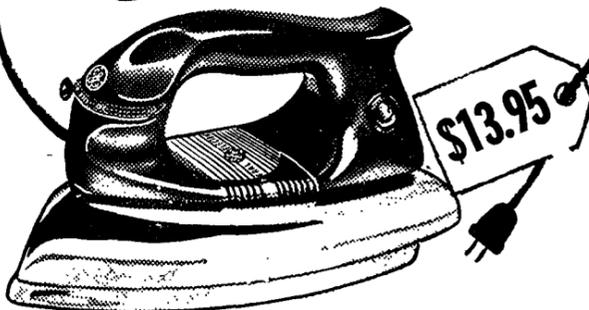
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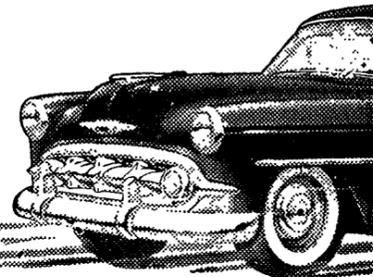
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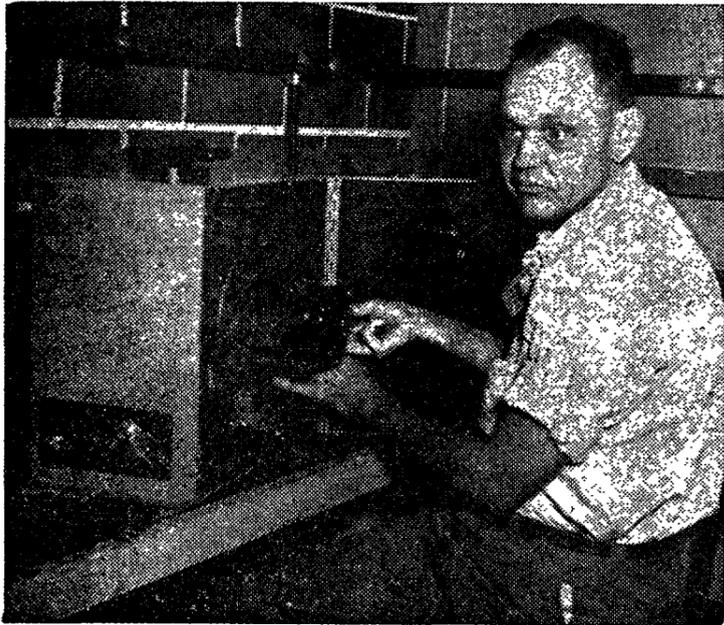


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# Paper Handicap - Not Job Handicap



**SEEING HANDS**—William Howard depends not on his eyes but his hands to tell him where to replace parts in complicated photographic and radar equipment. After only six weeks on the job, Howard, who has been blind since he was sixteen, knows his way around Bldg. 855 like an old-timer.

## SO-CALLED HANDICAPPED WORKERS PROVE OUTSTANDING AT REDSTONE

William Howard, 34, does delicate repair and maintenance work on high-speed motion picture and radar tracking equipment. Nothing remarkable in itself—except that Howard happens to be blind.

But watching his deft, quick fingers assembling an intricate instrument, such as a high-speed Mitchell camera, it is hard to believe that Howard is blind.

He is only one of the many so-called physically handicapped employees at Redstone.

John Campbell, 33, is another employe who, on paper, is considered handicapped, but on the job not at all. Stricken with polio at the age of four, Campbell's right leg is now drawn up almost double, rendering it useless. However, Campbell is not useless. In fact, until he recently was promoted to a better job, Campbell stood at a lathe for as much as ten hours a day, with only short breaks for lunch and coffee. Campbell supported himself with his one good leg and a crutch, leaving both hands free for work.

Neither Howard or Campbell is considered handicapped by the men who work with them.

Howard, after only six weeks at his present job in the Instrumentation of the Rocket Development Division, has learned his way around "like an old timer", according to fellow employes.

"When he first came to work," his supervisor, John Larkin, said, "I didn't know what kind of jobs to give him. But I soon found out that I could give him a job just like I do anybody else."

The list of the so-called handicapped employes at Redstone goes on and on. It has been estimated that about one in eight employes here has some sort of disability.

Actually, there is no way of determining the exact number without checking through the more than 5000 personnel files at Redstone—a job that would cost hundreds of dollars.

But after a spot check of more than one dozen of the most severe cases, one fact is evident: the so-called handicapped employes are doing, on the whole, superior work than the average employe in the same job category.

The type work they do ranges all the way from important and responsible supervisory jobs to the less responsible but still important work of janitors.

It has been a long established policy of Redstone Arsenal as well as other government installations, to hire the so-called handicapped without discrimination.

During the past week (Oct. 4-10) which was designated "National Employ the Physically Handicapped Week" special attention was called to the example that government is setting in hiring physically handicapped persons.

Although there are no separate records maintained on the physically handicapped at Redstone Civilian Personnel employes were able to recall from memory about 16 outstanding cases. Among these were two paraplegics, two victims of polio, one totally blind person and several with impaired eyesight, two persons with only one leg and two with one arm, and an assortment of other so-called handicapped persons.

The notable thing about all the cases studied is that they are all doing good work—and in many cases exceptional work.

Clifford Odom, 40, a paraplegic since World War II, put it this way: "I've got a good job, a good family, a good home, and a good life—I don't see anything handicapped about that." Odom, a dispatcher for Transportation, has learned to walk by moving his braced legs with his hands—a rare feat for a paraplegic.

Another paraplegic, J. B. Middleton 27, is a mathematician working on important guided missile problems. He has a Masters Degree in mathematics and a B. A. in physics.

Arthur Harvey, 35, confined to a wheel chair from an attack of polio in 1950, is in charge of a group of technicians, ranging in age from two busy solving the problems involved in the design of rocket testing facilities. Harvey is also the father of five children and designers who are years to nine.

Many of these people, like Odom, resent being considered "handicapped." Some, like Campbell, are matter-of-fact about it. But all of them are too proud to want sympathy or pity. The thing that they want most is to prove

by their own example, that to hire a so-called physically handicapped person is not charity, but good common sense.

Secretary of the Army Robert T. Stevens gave special thanks to the physically handicapped persons working for the Army. In a message to all commanding officers of Army installations, Stevens said:

"I would like to take this opportunity to express my personal thanks to all physically handicapped personnel of the Army establishment for setting a good example for all of us. I am informed that their work output equals or exceeds the average, and that they are establishing fine standards of dependability. This certainly proves that a physical handicap is not necessarily a job handicap.

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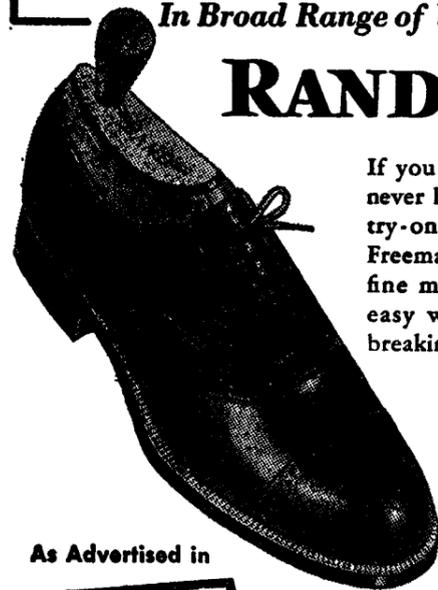
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Fists will fly next Monday when Redstone's first boxing matches are held in the newly constructed ring adjacent to the Post Theatre.

The seven exhibition matches will start at 8 p.m., Sgt. Frank Minerva, Special Services, announced. Although pairing of the contests has not been determined, Sgt. Minerva said that there would be seven boxing matches and at least one wrestling match. Some of the men who will be wapping blows are Charles Odum, 170 lbs., of 1st ETD; Joe Fanasta, 174 lbs, 1st ETD; Eddie Urges, 160 lbs, 2 ETD; Henry Zell, 170 lbs, MP Det.; William Laurice, 140 lbs, 1st ETD; Eddie Arvin, 145 lbs, 9330; Joe Davis, 43 lbs, 2 ETD; Eddie Ort, 165 lbs, 1st ETD; Harold Hayes, 164 lbs, 2 ETD; Henry MacArthur, 30 lbs, 2 ETD; Chuch Kwalski, 45 lbs, Tommy Duane, 175 lbs, 330; Tommy Davis, 143 lbs., 2 TD; and Tim Smith, 170 lbs., 2 TD.

Minerva, who has been coaching the boxing team said that about 50 men are trying out for a place on the squad.

Capt. John Wattendorf joined with Minerva in congratulating the men for the work they did in building the boxing ring. Since no funds were available for Post engineer to do the work, the men pitched in on off-duty hours and constructed a ring themselves.

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**Statistical Theory of Measurements and Quality Control** —Bldg. 668-3, Thursday, 1900 to 21 hours.

**Chemical Engineering Thermodynamics — Auditorium of Bldg. A-120, Thursday, 1900 to 2100 hours.**

**Advanced Analytical Chemistry** — Bldg. A-120, Monday, 1630 to 1830 hours.

Anyone wishing to register for any of the above courses during the registration period may do so by calling the Institute office at 3-3137, coming by the office in Bldg. A-101, or attending the class meeting and completing registration forms there. These courses will meet two hours per week for 15 weeks. The fee for each course is \$16.00.

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BY JACKIE JENSEN

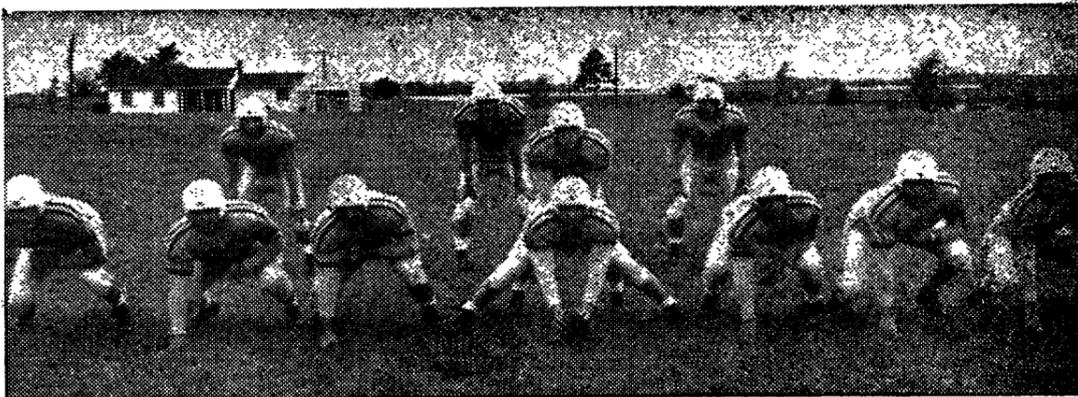
First, let's say hello to our newcomers Marilyn Milner and Floy Adcock who have come to stay a spell with us and bid farewell to Frank Higgins whose uncle has called him for a visit, Sam that is, and Frank we will miss your pleasant smile and helpfulness. Bob Burns resigned to take up winter residence in Florida. We envy you Robert.

We had quite a few spells of fever this past week, it seems that some strange malady called World Series Fever struck quite a few in the section — symptoms were bright eyes and worried expression and J. T. Walls had complications since he had bet on the Dodgers—there will be another Series next year, so cheer up.

Please let me apologize to Kenneth Bliss. I moved him into an entirely different place than was intended, the new home will be on McClung Avenue. Other new homeowners are Marjorie Pruitt and a possible one—Howard Odell, it seems as if Howard wants to move to Decatur to be nearer the fish.

George Reed has been on the sick list for the past two weeks and we hope that he will be back with us real soon and feeling chipper. We also hope Lamar Phillip's son will be well and back home. Have you noticed the sparkling light in Station Stock? It is Lavene Jean's new engagement ring and we hope to admire the other ring soon Lavene.

The Fair was a big success so



**REDSTONE ELEVEN**—With one game under their blocking pads, the Rockets are back at practice in an effort to get ready to meet a tough Atlanta General Depot squad Saturday at Atlanta. Squad members shown here are (backfield, left to right) Roy Graham, Fred Huston, Jim Spinelli, and Lorin Beaber. On the line it's (from left to right) Bill Fields, Robert Kuhlman, John Borton, Robert Kurtti, Gene Signori, Bill King and Larry Petersen.

### EM Class Hears Weatherford Talk

Major Edward E. Weatherford, Chief, Redstone Depot, Field Service Division, will address graduates of class 35, Guided Missile Mechanical Systems Repair Course at 2 p.m. Monday.

Certificates will be issued to the following: SFC Robert W. Haynes, CPL Augustus E. Abbott, PFC Joseph L. Hogan, PVT's

I'm told but rather an expensive evening for Mary Wilbourn—she lost her purse and all that was returned was a compact and billfold minus the money, you have our sympathy Mary.

Annie Mae Adcock has returned from a week's vacation in Miami and said that a good time was had by all—lucky girls.

Robert C. Easton, David Findlay, Gordon H. Palmer, John R. Phillips, Robert B. Pierson, William F. Rose, Norman L. Tweedie, Ervin H. Viegut, Jr., Carl M. Yost, and Mr. Peter H. Sutter.

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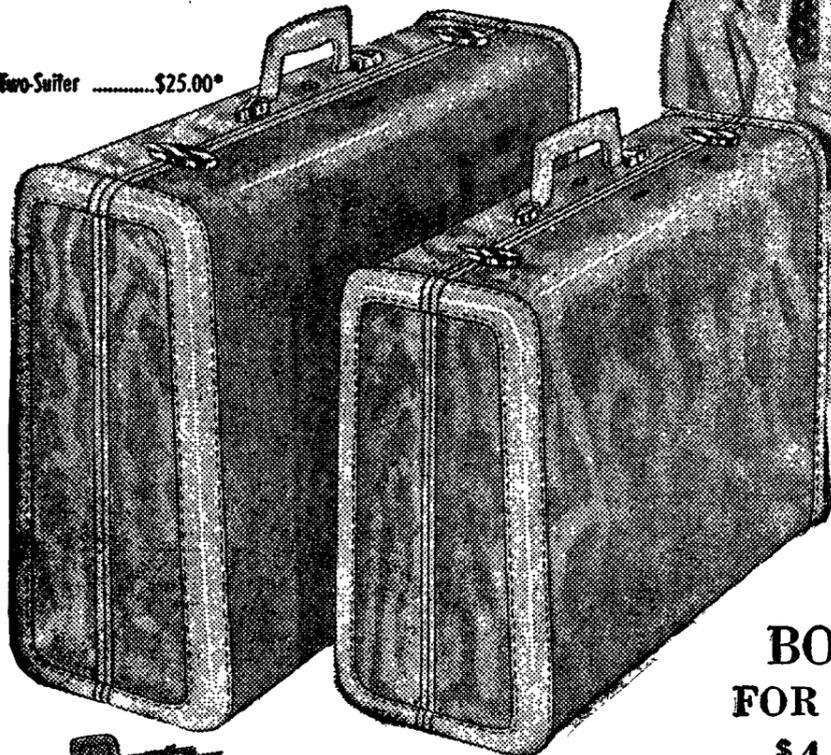
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talent and ability can be found among so few soldiers. Redstone has about the same number of troops as a battalion.

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The visitor also commented favorably on the "Missilemen," the

18-member singing group that has won wide acclaim throughout the area, especially through frequent appearances on television.

In sports, Redstone Arsenal puts a team in the field for practically everything that comes along . . . softball, baseball, swimming, tennis, football, boxing, bowling, volleyball, horse shoes, billiards, track and field, and basketball to mention a few. Only last month 91 men showed up at a football meeting and said they wanted to report for the team. All they needed was \$9,000 worth of uniforms and equipment to be in business.

Requests for uniforms went in. They were turned down cold. Then, mysteriously, from somewhere in the vast reaches of the Third Army area came a stream of football uniforms, footballs, cleats and helmets. Again a secret benefactor came to our rescue. The team is in business and out to win.

When the Reverend (Master Sergeant) Buford McElroy made up his mind to put on a revival not long ago, he wanted to do something dif-

**SERVICE CLUB ACTIVITIES**

Fall is proving to be a busy season at the Service Club. This month there is a particularly full schedule of activities. Wednesday the 14th we have another in our series of dances with Bob Yeazell's Orchestra. On October 15, "Stars of Tomorrow" is being presented by the Irene Jones School of Dance in the Service Club. Everyone is invited to be there to

ferent. The fact that he is an intelligence non-com during the week who serves God on Sunday was not different for him.

So he lined up a singing physicist for his soloist and a chaplain's assistant for his pianist.

The religious military trio held their revival in a local Methodist Church a week or two ago and played to a packed house every night. Sergeant McElroy is a licensed minister who preaches regularly in his own church.

With all their regular rocket jobs and outside activities, Redstone soldiers still take time out to "soldier." They are required to take part in a complete troop training program. They frequently stage parades and reviews. And they pull KP and fatigue details like ordinary soldiers.

Troop training, from rudimentary small arms firing to intricate instructions in the maintenance and firing of guided missiles at the Ordnance Guided Missile School, constitute an important element in the varied missions of Redstone Arsenal.

Among Redstone's troops are about 150 military policemen who share the responsibility of guarding the important guided missile and rocket installations here, as well as several ammunition lines.

Many instructors, and most of the students, in the Ordnance Guided Missile School located here are soldiers—all, naturally, with high qualifications and education.

With one of the smallest troop contingents in the entire Third Army area, Redstone soldiers were the proud hosts to the recent Third Army-wide tennis tournament. Much credit for the success of this major tournament is due the Special Services office.

The troop command here, headed by Capt. W. R. Becker, is made up of the 9330th Technical Services Unit (Ordnance), 3523 Army Service Unit, 9330th Technical Service Unit (Military Police Detachment) 9352nd TSU, Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, 9352 TSU First Enlisted Training Detachment, 9352 TSU Second Enlisted Training Detachment, 9352 TSU Student Officer Detachment, 9615 TSU (Signal), and one secret detachment that can't be publicized.

As Captain Becker said recently:

"Our troops are outstanding in many fields, particularly when it comes to brains.

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Saturday, October 17 is the date for two events sponsored by Special Services. The tour to Ave Maria Grotto at Cullman, Ala., is scheduled for this day. This is the religious shrine which received wide publicity in an Atlanta paper recently. The tour has been planned especially for the newer members of the school and 9330 T.S.U. It is important that everyone planning to go, sign up in the Service Club TODAY so that transportation is assured. For those of you who cannot go on the tour remember the Game of the Week on TV Saturday afternoon.

Other events to keep in mind are:

FANFARE, the Third Army Special Services show to be presented at the Post Theatre Oct. 28 and at the Rocket Auditorium Oct. 29.

The Hallowe'en Costume Dance on Friday, Oct. 30. Miss Patterson is planning this to be a very special affair. The Service Club needs to be decorated for the occasion. Anyone with any ideas is

welcome to make suggestions. Volunteers (the army kind, the Tennessee kind, and otherwise), will be needed to help put these plans into action. Drop by and offer your suggestions.

Post Special Services Library is also operating on a new fall schedule. Weekday hours are from 1400 to 1700 and 1800 to 2100 hours. New books have been coming in regularly. The library is a good quiet place to read the latest magazines and to answer correspondence. Everyone is urged to make use of its facilities.

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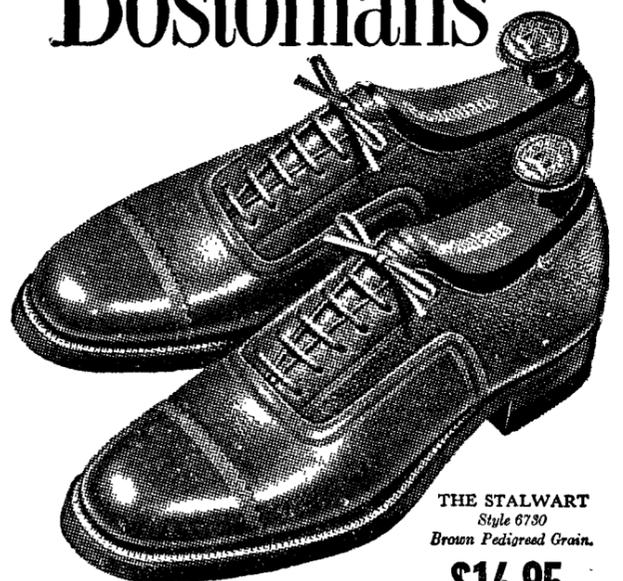


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