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LOCAL ADVISORS TO GATHER HERE

Meeting Is Set For March 17

The Madison County Army Advisory Committee will meet at Redstone March 17, Foster Haley, PIO, announced.

It will be the second meeting for the committee, organized for the purpose of advising arsenal officials on community relations and troop morale.

Gens. Vincent and Toftoy will meet with the group in the War Room, Bldg. A-101, where part of a film, "A Message from the President," will be shown. Later, Albert O'Clare, of Howell and Company, will discuss the industrial accounting fund going into effect here.

The 24-member committee, with guests and hosts, will lunch at the Officers Open Mess before making a tour of the arsenal.

Among the events planned for the group are:

- (1) Inspection of a NIKE booster and possibly a firing at Range 5.
- (2) A talk by Joe Rush, chief of RDD, on Redstone's role in the development of the booster.
- (3) A visit to OGMS and the NIKE battery.
- (4) Wind tunnel display in Plants Area 1.
- (5) Brief discussion on guided missiles by Dr. Wernher von Braun.

The Army Advisory Committee is composed of M. B. Spragins (chairman), the Rev. F. H. Heidelberg, Dr. H. D. Nelson, John P. Garrison, Jack M. Langhorne, Milton K. Cummings, Thomas D. Johnson, Brig. Gen. Edwin W. Jones, George M. Mahoney, C. B. Ragland.

Mrs. Milton Anderson, Mrs. Charles Butler, Mrs. Clarence Grace, Judge Elbert H. Parsons, Robert K. Bell, Mayor, R. B. Searcy, Roy Stone, Mrs. Elizabeth P. Beamguard, the Rev. Harry B. Wade, Jimmy Walker, and H. E. Monroe.

Three guests will be with the committee. They are Alvin Blackwell, Chief Grover Pylant, and John Rodenhauer.

Fish, Hunting Club Seeks New Members

Over 200 sports enthusiasts, including many from Redstone, have joined a hunting and fishing club being organized in this area, William Sayre, arsenal legal officer, announced recently.

The unincorporated Rocket City Sportsmen's Club is being formed for the purpose of improving and enforcing game laws and for bringing sportsmen of all ages closer together, he said. A membership goal of 1000 has been set.

The club, open to interested persons of North Alabama has as its charter members three Huntsville sportsmen: Winston Bailey, Doug Johnston and Glenn Slayton.

"The hunters and fishermen of this area have seen the need for a long time for such an organization," Winston Bailey said. "But until about a week ago when we drew up this charter nothing had been done."

As stated in the charter, the primary purposes of the club are:

1. To unite sportsmen of all ages in North Alabama and to improve hunting and fishing conditions in this area.
2. To cultivate sportsmanlike relations among members.
3. To encourage mutual cooperation among sportsmen.
4. To seek improvement of game laws, to learn and disseminate information about game laws, and to insure enforcement of these laws.

The first meeting of the "Rocket City Sportsmen's Club" will be held to elect officers and write by-laws as soon as enough members have been signed up, Sayre stated.

Membership is one dollar.



HELP SET NEW RECORD—Two Redstone soldiers have their temperatures checked while waiting to give blood during the Red Cross Bloodmobile visit here last week. A new record for one day of 303 pints was set during the visit and the day's quota was more than doubled. The previous high was 260 pints. Two volunteer workers, Mrs. Jere Evans (left) and Mrs. F. L. Malmberg, both of Huntsville, take pulse reading of Pvt. James Furlong (left) and Pvt. George A. Helfirch, of 1st ETD. The blood donation program is only one of the activities made possible by donations during the Red Cross fund raising campaign, now in progress. (Photo by Harvey McCrary)

McClung Is Elected Jaycee President

A Redstone employe, Paul McClung, was elected president of the Huntsville Junior Chamber of Commerce last week and four other arsenal workers were elected to the board of directors.

In addition, Frank Gardiner, of Thiokol, was elected 1st vice president of the Jaycees and Horace Bomar, also of Thiokol, was voted a place on the board of directors.

McClung, Management, is the second arsenal employe to be elected president of the Jaycees. Walt Weisemann, Management, was president last year.

Houston Admas, of the State Employment Service in Huntsville, was chosen as 2nd vice president.

The new board of directors members from Redstone are: Harry Johnstone, Robert Lochridge, Charles Parker, and Herman Sharp, all of OML.

Don Glen, who works for General Shoe, was also elected to the board of directors. He is well known for being the most surprised father in town.

The Huntsville Jaycees were organized in 1951 and since then have grown to 120 members, many of whom are Redstone personnel.

Weisemann, who is now state chairman for the Jaycee International, was the fourth president of the local chapter.

In addition to Weisemann's statewide job, two other arsenalites hold state chairmanships. Foster Haley, public information officer, is state publicity chairman and James Cleary, Legal Office, is Alabama chairman for Americanism.

In the past, five persons from Redstone and one from Thiokol have been vice presidents in the organization. They are: McClung, Weisemann, Cleary, Louis Sisco, OML, Joe Taylor, Consolidated Supply, and Anthony Guzzo, Thiokol.

All Units Have New Promotion Lists

Three men in the 9352nd Technical Service Unit were promoted to corporal. They are Cpls. Roy H. Krotzer, James J. Spinelli, Jr., and Brice S. Vallett, Jr. Bradley G. Rose was made a private first class.

In the 9330th, Walter Brunner, Wilton R. Grice and Kenneth L. Vevea were promoted to corporal. The new Pfc. are Robert E. Moser, Jr., John R. Simmons and Leonard A. Peterson.

Pfc. James W. Borbes and Pfc. Clyde A. Pierce of the 3523rd Army Service Unit received corporal's stripes and Richard A. Brone received his Pfc. stripe.

NEW BLOODMOBILE COORDINATOR CAN NOT CONTRIBUTE HIS OWN

BY RHODA STAMBAUGH

Bloodmobile donors will give their pledges to Jesse W. Stutts, Jr., assistant chief of Civilian Personnel, from now on.

Stutts was appointed to replace Capt. Marvin Shaw, a assistant Post Engineer, who has served as the Red Cross Bloodmobile coordinator since August, 1952.

Stutts appointment came from the Executive Office. He has been in the Civilian Personnel Division at Redstone Arsenal for the past twelve years and has watched the up and down of the rolls from 121 people when he came, to 4500 during World War II. After the war, it dropped to 201 and when the guided missile and rocket programs centered here, rose to the present 5,000 plus.

He finds it ironic to be Bloodmobile coordinator. He has been advised not to donate his own blood. It is Type 1, a type so rare that only about 3 per cent of the people in the United States possess it.

Therefore, the doctors advise him to save himself for emergency donations . . . a thing he has been called to do on several occasions. In the Madison County area, he is one of two known to have Type 1 blood. Both have

Post Exchange Now Houses Sp. Svcs.

Soldiers who can't find the Special Services Officer are looking in the wrong place.

He now wears two hats. Capt. John J. Wattendorf is also the Post Exchange officer and has combined the two services in the Post Exchange office. Some changes were made by the Post Engineer who turned storage space in the PX into offices for Special Service.

The telephone numbers remain the same: Special Services 5615 and the Post Exchange 5252.

Air Reserve Unit Meets Thursday

The regular meeting of the 9920th Air Reserve Squadron will be held at 7 a.m. Thursday at the Naval Reserve Armory, W. P. Lloyd, RDD, stated.

Members of the unit, and others who are eligible to join are urged to attend Lloyd said.

Anyone who has been a member of the Air Force, whether he is in the reserve or not, is eligible Lloyd said.

Lt. Col. John Scott is commanding officer.

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been called to meet the same emergency.

Under Capt. Shaw, the Redstone contributions to the Bloodmobile have always exceeded the quota established for the arsenal.

According to the captain, the reason Bloodmobile visits have been such a success here it that he received splendid cooperation from everyone, both in keeping pledges and appearing at the hour scheduled. During the course of one operation, the doctors claimed it was the smoothest program they had ever participated in.

And although the arsenal quota dropped from 165 pints to 130 pints at the end of the Korean struggle, the arsenal exceeded its quota.

In March they collected 303 pints, the arsenal record, and could have collected more.

Col. Otto P. Kohler Is New Arsenal P. E.

Lt. Col. Otto P. Kohler officially became the Post Engineer at Redstone last week following the departure of Col. Harton for assignment in the Far East Command.

The new P. E. is originally from Pittsburgh, Pa. He attended Franklin and Marshall College and Duquesne University.

He came to Redstone from Fort Amador, Canal Zone, where he was assistant deputy post commander. His previous overseas service also includes duty in Europe during World War II, and in Korea.

The Kohlers reside on Whitesburg Pike. They have one daughter, Gertrude ("Butch"), 14.

Col. Kohler is a member of the Military Engineers Society of Washington, D. C.

Second Showing Set For Soldier's Play

"At War With the Army" had its first showing last night and a second showing of the lively stage comedy is set for this Friday at 8 p.m. in Rocket Auditorium.

The play, put on by Redstone soldiers and girls played to a responsive house last night, it was stated by M/Sgt. Frank Ponton, in charge of the production.

Marvin Reed directed the play, which had a long run on Broadway several years ago.

Scenery for the production was designed and created by Pvt. Terry Wells, 9330 TSU.

The cast featured Morty Fine, Charley Lyle, and Martha Robinson.

Everyone is invited to attend this Friday, Sgt. Ponton stated.

HEART CAMPAIGN IS BIGGEST EVER

Record \$2337 Collected Here

A great many people at Redstone proved conclusively that they are interested in hearts—interested to the tune of \$2337.33.

That's the final total of Heart Fund donations made by arsenal personnel during the drive which ended last Tuesday.

It is not only the biggest Heart drive on record at Redstone but the more than \$2300 is approximately two-thirds of the Madison County goal of \$3500. Only \$126 was collected at Redstone last year.

Outstanding among contributing segments was the 9330 TSU, which donated \$295.80, or about 81 cents per person present for duty. M/Sgt. Cecil Riley, in charge of Heart Fund collections for the 9330 TSU, highly praised the troops for their fine showing.

The largest contribution came from the Post Engineer Division, where \$603.39 was collected by Heart Fund worker Henry Lewter.

OML, with Mrs. Margaret Darby in charge, donated a total of \$544.34.

James Lynch, Intelligence officer, and Maj. Harvey Vance, provost marshal, were the arsenal leaders in the fund raising effort.

The final tally follows:

Executive Office	\$ 9.40
Ammo. Surveil. Of.	5.75
Army Inspector of	
Ord. Office	19.06
Contract Adm. Of.	9.00
Information Office	7.00
Inspector Gen. Office	1.00
Legal Office	2.50
Mission Pln. & Coord. Office	7.00
Safety Office	14.00
Budget & Fiscal	80.00
Industrial Acct. Of.	8.12
Management Office	16.13
Civilian Pers. Div.	2.23
Consol. Sup. Div.	28.79
Dental Division	1.89
Finance Division	6.29
Intelligence Office	7.60
Medical Division	4.76
Military Per. Div.	4.02
Post Engineer Div.	603.39
Property Disposal Div.	6.21
Provost Marshal Div.	14.08
Purch. & Contr. Div.	15.02
Signal Division	40.00
Transportation Div.	21.00
Troop Command	
Headquarters	36.65
Ammo. Division	127.32
Field Service Div.	75.89
Nat'l Procure. Div.	60.40
Ordnance Missile Labs.	544.34
Redstone Depot	14.80
Ord. Guided Missile School	58.07
Thiokol Chemical Corp.	55.03
Rohm & Haas Co.	1.25
9330 TSU	295.80
9352 TSU	27.20
3532 ASU	1.03
1st Enl. Train. Det.	.92
2d Enl. Train. Det.	86.03
67th Engr. Det.	7.84
Miscellaneous	9.99

League Is Planned For Civilians, GI's

Hey, there ball player—it's getting to be that time!

Knock last year's mud out of your spikes and get ready for Redstone's biggest softball season.

That's the way it's going to be, according to SFC Ralph Glendenning, Special Services NCO for sports.

A bang-up softball league is being formed here right now—and the sergeant is asking both civilians and soldiers to join.

The Civilian Welfare Council has agreed to foot some of the expenses for the civilians, and Special Services is going to take care of the GI's.

SFC Glendenning is hoping for a 16-team league—eight civilian and eight military. But whether there will be that many—or more—depends on you.

Get the boys together right away and give the sergeant a ring at Ext. 5476. That includes contractor employes too. Anybody interested?

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Maj. Palmer Receives 1st Prize



Army Maj. Thomas A. Palmer of the Signal Corps Pictorial Center, Long Island City, N. Y., receives the Freedoms Foundation first place award in the category for Letters from Armed Forces Personnel. The award was made by Dr. Milton S. Eisenhower, president of Pennsylvania State University. Maj. Palmer expressed his belief that the thoughts and sentiments in the winning letter are the same as those of millions of people

WHAT AMERICA MEANS TO ME

(This is the first place entry in the Letters from Armed Forces Personnel contest sponsored by Freedoms Foundation, Valley Forge, Pa.)

America is something more to me than coastlines, skylines, mountains, standards of living, Hollywood, gimmicks, gadgets, freedom of opportunity and TV.

America is not an accident. America had to be. America was born of a protest — a protest against dictatorial domination and religious intolerance. America attracted all the protests of the world.

Out of this welter came the result: not the saccharous cliché of "people living together"—but of people, people from far and wide—bringing here their protests and fears and frustrations and, in the crucible of freedom, getting stronger, confident, more inter-dependent, and in that process making one grand schoolroom for the rest of the world to see and possibly emulate.

America to me is not the arrival—but the way—to the time when all bigotry, all hate, all divisions of race or creed will have gone. America cannot be static; neither can Americans. America changes one. To accept a status quo based on expedients of life and effort is not American. America is the impulsion of growth, of freedom of concept and expression—of the grasping of the NOW until the future's promise becomes graspable. America is not for the timid—the chronic conservative—the myopic. America is for the vigorous man, the energetic man; the far-seeing and the far-seeking man. America is not for the selfish man, for America was born of protest against the selfishness of government and religion.

No, America has not as yet arrived; we are striving in our vigor and fearlessness and hope. We are hard pressed for some of the things America has protested against and are trying hard to settle here.

America should be so infused with the vitality of the spirit of its protestations that it will not permit its triumph through years of honest strife and sacrificing effort to be deluged in foreign bigotries, and foreign fears, and foreign hates, and foreign politics—for it was not only against one, but against all of these things that America was forced into birth.

America is the effort of brotherhood—not a poetic, sentimental ecstasy—but a vigorous, practical common effort — an effort that gripes in its striving—but which, by the gripe, spurs greater effort towards a practical, cooperative humanity.

All those over the world who strive for the good of all share

the American spirit—all those who strive for tolerance, and practical, honest facing of issues, and seek purposeful action for the good of all are essentially American. Does it matter where they live, or what their color or creed?

For America is a symbol—a generous symbol—which we as a Nation translated into a Way of Life, of liberty and the pursuit of happiness, which eventually, I believe, will be attained for all by the collective effort of mankind seeking freedom from the nameless, and unexplainable my-

DANNENBERG WAS SPEAK

Konrad K. Dannenberg, chief Power Plant Liaison, GMDD, v guest speaker at the regular meeting of the West Texas-New Mexico Section of the American Rocket Society at State College, N. M.

Dannenberg gave an informative talk on the early development of German rockets. He showed films of early V-2 flight

riad of human fears—attained first dissolving through understanding the fear of man for me. That is what America means to me.

Thomas A. Palmer
Major, Signal Corps

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Farewell Activities for the Smolenskys

Farewell parties for the Smolenskys have been on the social calendar during the past week. The National Procurement Division sponsored a dance March 2 at the VFW post on Dallas Ave., Huntsville. More than 150 persons attended the event when Charlie Prince's orchestra furnished the music. Col. Thayer made a farewell address, and Col. Smolensky was presented a scroll of appreciation.

Mrs. Vincent and Mrs. Thayer were the hostesses at a luncheon March 3 at the Officers' Open Mess. The tables were decorated with bouquets of spring flowers, and Mrs. Smolensky was given a message of sweet peas by the hostesses. Approximately 35 guests attended the affair.

On March 2, Mrs. Rigg, Mrs. Rumm and Mrs. Detchemendy gave an afternoon bridge party for Mrs. Smolensky at the Officers' Mess Annex. Nautical decorations were used throughout the lounge. One streamer read, "The Army sails across the foam, the Navy always brings them home."

The hostesses wore sailor suits, and the guests were "piped aboard" in true Navy style.

Four tables of bridge and one of canasta were in play. Mrs. Ben Keyserling won high prize at bridge, Mrs. Henry Parker won second high, and the prize for low score was won by Mrs. Robert Bailey. Mrs. Becker received the raveling prize. Canasta winners were Mrs. Wattendorf for the first prize and Mrs. Sayers for the low. Mr. and Mrs. Tom Thrasher gave a dinner party Feb. 27 for the Smolenskys at the Thrasher home at 1707 La Grande.

Party Decorations Feature St. Pat's

The St. Patrick's Day theme was carried out in the decorations for a cocktail party given March 5 by Col. and Mrs. Childs and



FARE THEE WELL—Mrs. Stanley Smolensky, (left) receives a basket of fruit as part of the farewell party given for her March 2 at the Officers' Mess Annex. Mrs. Vincent presents the gift, and in the background are the three hostesses of the party, (left to right) Mrs. Woodrow Crum, Mrs. John Rigg and Mrs. Edward Detchemendy. (Photo by Harvey McCrary)

The Haskins Are Wed In March 6 Ceremony

Miss Dortha Danner became the bride of Pfc. Richard Haskins, during a double ring ceremony March 6 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jac Countess, 528 Adams Ave., Huntsville. The Rev. Harry Wade read the vows before an altar of greenery and white stock and snapdragons. Wrought iron candelabra held the lighted white tapers.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Danner of Dayton, Ohio, and is employed in the Technical library here. Pfc. Haskins is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Haskins of Columbus, O., and is assigned in the Research Division.

Mrs. Harry Miller, pianist, furnished the nuptial music, and Judge Elbert Parsons sang "All for You" and "The Lord's Prayer."

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore an ice blue lace dress with a hat of pearls and veiling. Her bouquet was an arrangement of white orchids and satin streamers on a white Bible.

The maid of honor, Miss Edith Houston, and the bridesmaid, Miss Katie Hembree, wore matching dresses of light blue lace. Their bouquets were hand clusters of blue iris.

Cpl. Charles Bowman served Pfc. Haskins as best man, and Cpl. George Heller was the groomsmen.

Guests were greeted at the door by Mrs. Charles Cason, and Mrs. Niles White and Mrs. Jack Bentley assisted in seating guests. These girls had corsages of white gladiolias.

There was a small, informal reception at the Countess home following the ceremony.

After a wedding trip, the couple will reside at 311 S. Lincoln, Huntsville.

Strong tea diluted with a little water makes an excellent antique-like stain for pine wood; when dry, cover with two thin coats of fresh white shellac and then wax.

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Col. and Mrs. Chatfield at the Officers' Open Mess.

The large table from which refreshments were served was centered with a green Irish hat holding an arrangement of green and white flowers. Lighted tapers were placed in Irish potatoes.

One hundred and fifty guests were invited to the party.

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BODY OF NAVAL HERO PAUL JONES ONCE LOST, NOW RESTS AT HOME

Annapolis, Md. (AFPS)—Where was the body of John Paul Jones buried?

To find the body, Gen. Horace Porter, U. S. Ambassador to France, started a search in 1899 which was to end six years later in a forgotten burial ground in Paris.

When the Revolutionary War ended, Jones, a captain in the Continental Navy, served as Ambassador to the French Court. Later he accepted service in the Russian Navy under Catherine II. He died in the French capital at the age of 45. A friend, Pierre Simonneau, made the burial arrangements.

With the aid of the French government, Ambassador Porter began his search. A transcript of the burial certificate and two old letters finally led him to the cemetery in 1905. Tunnelers sank five shafts into the burial grounds. They found five lead coffins buried together. One belonged to Jones. His coffin had been filled with alcohol and positive identification was made.

President Theodore Roosevelt dispatched a Navy squadron to France to bring the Revolutionary hero back in honor.

In the United States his body was taken to the Naval Academy. President Roosevelt, Ambassador Porter and the French Ambassador to this country were among 12,000 to honor him at commemorative services.

Final tribute was paid Jones when Congress appropriated funds for a crypt in the Academy Chapel. The crypt is open daily to visitors to the Academy.

Today, Ambassador Porter's report of that six year search to the Secretary of State has been turned over to the U. S. Naval Museum along with a French translation of Jones' memoirs and other historic documents. The account outlines his discovery of Jones' grade.

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PERSONALS

With four tables of bridge in progress on March 1, Couples Bridge Club met at the Officers' Open Mess. Mrs. Robert P. Merchant and Lt. Robert Yaeger won the high scores, and Lt. and Mrs. Morton Palmer held the low scores. The next meeting will be on March 15, and there has been a change in the starting hour from 7 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Only three progressions will be played during the evening. Mrs. Thayer (Ext. 3-1156) will be the hostess. Those regular members who do not plan to attend should call Mrs. Thayer by noon of the 15th so that even tables may be arranged.

Col. and Mrs. Barrett were the honored guests at a dinner party Feb. 28 at the Huntsville Country Club when Mr. and Mrs. Joe Fleming, Mr. and Mrs. Will Halsey, Jr., and Mr. and Mrs. William Stevens entertained for them. The dinner party was preceded by a cocktail party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Fleming on Whitesburg Pike. Fourteen guests were included in the courtesy.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Thrasher were host and hostess to a dinner party for Col. and Mrs. Barrett on March 6.

Ladies' Bridge Club met March 4 at the Officers' Mess with four tables of bridge and one table of samba in progress. The bridge winners were Mrs. Swann, first, Mrs. Rigg, second, Mrs. Foxworth, third, and Mrs. Becker, low. Mrs. Long held the high score at samba, and Mrs. Wilson the low score. The next meeting will be at 10:30 a.m. March 18. Those who plan to attend should call Mrs. Weatherford at Huntsville 5862-J.

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Albany, N. Y. (AFPS) — Three surgical teams working in shifts for 10 hours repaired a man's damaged chest artery with a plastic chamber, arteries from a calf, and a human aorta—or great artery—from a tissue bank.
The surgical technique developed by staff surgeons of the Naval Medical Research Institute, Bethesda, Md., and surgeons of

the Albany Hospital and Medical College, N. Y., was the first of its kind. It was successful.

The patient, facing death a month ago, now is at home staging an uneven recovery. His name was not revealed in the released details of the daring Albany operation.

He had been injured in an auto-

mobile accident four years ago and his aorta was partially ruptured. A six-inch section of the great artery leading from the heart ballooned, forming a sac about the size of a grapefruit.

This condition went undetected until the patient attempted to walk after nearly four years in beds and wheelchairs. The strain on the sac caused chest pains and doctors put him to bed again.

Surgical procedures known at the time were inadequate to cope with the patient's condition. Staff surgeons from the Bethesda and Albany research institutes set out to solve the problem.

After several months of ex-

periments with dogs, the surgeons were ready to operate. During the operation the vital flow of blood was continued by use of a plastic artificial aorta around the damaged section of the artery. The plastic device was secured by grafts

of calf artery.

The damaged aorta was replaced by a graft of human aorta from the tissue bank of the Naval Medical School at Bethesda.

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SHE CAN BAKE A CHERRY PIE—Miss Evelyn Ann Dailey, who represented Alabama in the National Cherry Pie Baking Contest in Chicago, is the daughter of Alfred L. Dailey, lineman in the Outside Electrical Dept. in the Electrical Section of the Post Engineer. Evelyn took second place in the Southern regional division. She attends Butler High School. Last year's winner, Maxine Walker, is also the daughter of a Post Engineer employe.

Double Treat



Lucy McAleer, young Warner Bros. actress, looks good in this double exposure. If you want to see her again, she is making her screen debut in "A Star Is Born."

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BY JAMES CARSON

James Carson of Stores & Property Group has been appointed to assume the duties of Cecil Jackson as reporter for The Redstone Rocket.

Our congratulations to Herbert Pender on his recent marriage. Herbert married the former Miss Glendale Springer of Lexington, Ala. The marriage, a double ring ceremony, took place on February 20, at the home of the bride, with the Rev. J. L. Wheeler officiating. The couple spent their honeymoon in Atlanta, Ga., and now reside in Huntsville.

Bill Brown finally won that bout with the measles. Glad to see you back again, Bill.

You fellows in the car pool with Noble keep an eye on him while the Mrs. Jahnke is away visiting. Boston is a long way off, you know!!

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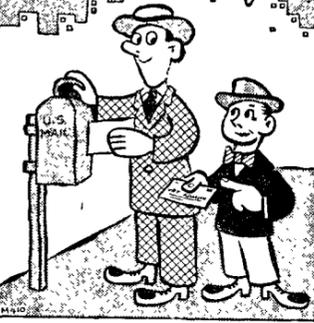


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recently made a trip down to ole' New Orleans. I'm told the chorus lines are mighty close to the front tables in some of those places. Hey, fellows??

Frank Hayes attended a banquet in Birmingham recently, given in honor of an official of the Jaycees.

Hurry up, Bill Franklin, and get that new boat. We may want to borrow it, come spring and fishing time.

Where do the two ole' salts, Don DeYoung and Ellis Payne, plan to go when they complete their houseboat?? I understand there is one in the making!!

Have had reports that the Little Theatre play, in which Pat Schwarz starred, was very good. Keep up the good work, Pat!

A wish of good luck to Harold Black who left the company a couple of weeks ago.

We hear that Margie Gaines



FIRE FIGHTER—Common fire-fighting equipment was demonstrated recently to the military personnel at Redstone in a series of demonstrations under the direction of the fire marshal. Here, Pfc. Albert P. Dyer shows men of the 8330 TSU how to use a fire extinguisher. (Photo by Pfc. Peter Broom)

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BY HELEN REED

In case anyone is curious about what goes on at Redstone Arsenal, we'll tell you that we've accidentally stumbled on a means of learning a lot about the far reaches of this post. Going all over the place to visit secretaries gives a new perspective on what does happen here.

The whole business takes shape, the pieces fit together, and we gain confidence in what is being accomplished.

The secretaries are proud of their part in the mission, and they are anxious to extoll the merits

of their segments and the fine bosses they have.

Such a secretary is Mrs. David Couch (better known as Mary Fann) whose boss is Mr. Hans Maus, chief of the Fabrication Laboratory. This is the place where they plan the schedules of manufacture, originate manufacturing procedures, and manufacture all component parts, including mechanical components and electrical wiring, and accomplish the assembly of a guided missile.

Like other girls who work for the scientists, she feels particularly lucky because she meets many technical people, and learns

CONSOLIDATED SUPPLY
BY JANE GRAHAM

There has been no new arrivals

of the inner workings that go into research and development on rockets and guided missiles.

Through their office is funneled every problem of the Lab, and Mary Fann especially enjoys the people involved. Business like that is never routine. Besides, "People are more fun than anybody."

She came to this job with a good background in meeting professionals in many fields. Her first Redstone assignment was in Civilian Personnel where she worked for the men who interviewed technical people for jobs.

Our Fab Lab secretary was in on the ground floor, having started in September, 1950, at the time the wheels were beginning to roll to make this indeed the guided missile and rocket center for Army Ordnance. (She was among the young people in a young project.)

An alum of Arab High School, Mary Fann attended Jacksonville State Teachers College, and then was graduated from North Alabama College of Commerce. While there she was a member of Epsilon Sigma Alpha sorority, but is not an active member at present.

She tried for a while combining teacher training with business training by working as a machine instructor at NACC.

After three months of this, out she came to Redstone to step into a job she liked—meeting interesting people in Civilian Personnel.

Her husband is employed at Rohm and Haas in engineering maintenance. They are from Lacey's Spring, and now reside in Morgan City.

It is interest and intelligence like Mary Fann's that keep an office running smoothly.

One of the things she has learned is how to interpret her boss's German way of thinking to American thoughts. They have combined forces to come up with the right phrases where an exact interpretation from German to English wasn't just what was needed.

Away from Redstone, when there's time to relax, Mary Fann enjoys playing the piano, and listening to all kinds of music. In the sports field, she is a football and basketball fan, and likes to play badminton.

and only one departure since the last report on those who come and go. Receiving Section personnel are missing Betty Turner, who has resigned to join her Navy husband in Florida.

A speedy and complete recovery is wished for J. W. and Bob Ivey's father, who sustained severe injuries in a plant accident recently.

We are glad to have Verma Sewell back with us after an illness of several days.

Eunice Chall and husband are vacationing in their home state of Connecticut. Upon their return Mr. Chall, who was until recently a soldier stationed at Redstone, has a civilian job waiting for him here.

Those taking weekend jaunts are Marie Weeks, Florence Palmerlee, and Jewell Kelly to Birmingham; Ann Bruce to Selma, and Lois Sharpe to Pensacola and Mobile.

Trying to cooperate with the current "Silence is Golden" campaign and at the same time stay on her diet has posed quite a problem for Ruby Fanning. For obvious reasons, she can't enjoy her after-lunch carrot with the

same freedom as before. So it seems the answer lies in arising ten minutes earlier in order to have time to grate the carrot. That's surely going to hurt come April 25th.

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Class	Prerequisite	Hours
I. FIRST PERIOD (6:00-7:55)		
Accounting 3—Intermediate Accounting	Accounting 2	3
Drawing 31—Engineering Drawing I, 6:00-10:00	None	2
Economics 12—Principles of Economics, Part II	Econ. 11	3
English 52—Fiction Writing, Mon. only, 6:00-8:30 (Wednesday Conference) (Course continues through August 18)	Permission of Instr.	4
History 49—Current World History	Perm. of Instr.	3
Mathematics 15—Trigonometry	Math 11	3
Mathematics 49b—Differential and Integral Calculus	Math 49a	3
Mechanical Engineering 109—Thermodynamics	Mechanical Eng. 51	3
Political Science 1—Principles of American Gov.	None	3
Sociology 2—Introduction to the Sc. of Human Rel.	Sociology I	3
II. SECOND PERIOD (8:05-10:00)		
Accounting 101—Cost Accounting	Accounting 53	3
History 1—History of Western Civilization	None	3
Marketing 6—Business Correspondence	English 1-2	3
Physics 6c—Technical Physics (Lab. Thurs. 6:00-9:00)	Physics 5c or 1	3
Political Science 45—Public Administration	Pol. Sc. 3	3
Psychology 1—Introduction to Psychology	Perm. of Instr.	3
Classes Meeting on Tuesday and Thursday		
III. FIRST PERIOD (6:00-7:55)		
Accounting 2—Principles of Accounting	Accounting 1	3
Art 11:12, Drawing 1 (Tuesday only—6:00-10:00)	None	1 1/2
English 9—American Literature	English 1-2	3
History 22—The United States since 1865	Perm. of Instr.	3
Mathematics 11—Algebra	None	3
Political Science 3—Functions of American Gov.	Pol. Sc. 1	3
IV. SECOND PERIOD (8:05-10:00)		
Accounting 1—Principles of Accounting	None	3
English 1—English Composition	None	3
French 1—Elementary French	None	3
GES 12—Engineering Preview	Math 11	2
History 25—Alabama History	Perm. of Instr.	3
Math 73—Theory of Equations	12 hrs. Math.	3
Political Science 5—Comparative Government	Perm. of Instr.	3

Registration dates are March 22-23. Classes begin on March 24. Late registration will be accepted for one week after classes begin. Students are urged to register during the regular registration period in order that their advisors will be available for consultation. Any class above not enrolling sufficient number of students will be cancelled.

First Sign of Spring Is Baseball Practice

Spring baseball practice has begun. For the first try-out, 57 players showed up at the practice field. Last year they had 11 turn out. Capt. John Wattendorf, Special Services officer, refused to predict his team winners of the Third Army tournament, but claimed they'll end up high on the tournament ladder. His reason: Fort McPherson has a full club of pro and semi-pro players that would be hard for some of the big league teams to beat.

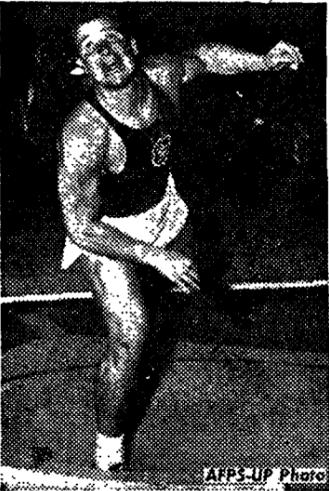
Manager of the team this year will be Capt. Harry Schoenman, troop commander. Between 60 and 70 games are tentatively on the schedule between the first spring game and tournament time. The Redstone team will meet others from colleges in the area, industrial concerns, and all the military teams in the Third Army.

Meantime the field, originally built by troop labor, has been professionally reworked and a professional type backstop installed. Predictions of high interest in the coming season were that the 2,000 capacity bleachers will be full for every home game.

RSA Will Have Umpires Clinic

An umpires clinic, for softball and baseball officials, will be held at Redstone starting March 25, it

Sets New Record



APPS-UP Photo

Californian Parry O'Brien follows through after breaking the world indoor 16-pound shot-put record with a 59-foot, 4-inch heave at the National AAU Indoor Track and Field Championships held at Madison Square Garden in New York recently. O'Brien, representing the Los Angeles AC, beat the old indoor mark of 58 feet, 3½ inches set by Jim Fuchs of the New York AC in 1951.



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COURTESY DRIVE NATIONAL NOW BUT ITS OLD STUFF AT ARSENAL

BY ED SUMMERS

A nation-wide effort to make courtesy a practical, on-the-road consideration of every driver while he's behind the wheel of his car officially started March 1. Built around the slogan, "Make Courtesy Your Code of the Road," the program is co-sponsored by the National Safety Council, the Inter-Industry Highway Safety Committee, and the National Committee for Traffic Safety.

The movement is nothing new here at Redstone. However, it is hoped that renewed interest will be displayed by employees in the Redstone "Courteous Drivers Guild" during the campaign.

Among the materials published for use in the campaign is a calendar card which reads:

Courteous driving will save lives. My code of the road is courtesy. I will not be the cause of an accident.

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ing or following vehicles.

RESPECT traffic laws, signs, signals and road markings.

ADJUST my driving to road, traffic and weather conditions.

Each one of the seven points of the code represents a definite act of courtesy which, if carried out by every Redstone motorist, would certainly do much to make travel in and around the arsenal more pleasant and a great deal safer.

Kohler to Be Hobby Advisor

Tinkerers and hobbyists who use the hobby shop now have a new advisor on procurement of materials, equipment and sundries.

He is Lt. Col. Otto P. Kohler, Post Engineer, who is a cabinet maker of repute in his own right.

The colonel has made his daughter a complete bedroom suite in modern design. However, there is still one more piece to add and she has seen Louis Quinze, or something ornate, and now wishes that last piece in the fancier period. The colonel's sense of artistry won't let him ruin good wood . . . nor the decor.

The hobby shop is acquiring more equipment. It has a new metal work lathe and a new wood working lathe as well as additional supplies.

The shop is located in Bldg. T-171, right next to the theatre and is open from 6:00 to 10:00 p.m. every night except weekends. On Saturday it is open from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m., and is closed on Sundays.

SERVICE CLUB ACTIVITIES

BY BOB KURTZ

Step right up, all that are interested in spending idle hours in ways other than hermitlike meditation and thumb contemplation, and learn what tid-bits of gaiety are in store for you at the Service Club this week.

Things get off to a flying start on Tuesday at 1945 hours, when the intricacies of the dance will be explained to anyone who cares to add this art to their list of accomplishments.

Wednesday evening the advent of 2000 hours will be the signal to all who are talented, to parade their wares before all and sundry, in the first Talent Show in the latest attempt to produce the most talented individual in the Third Army area. For those who enjoy dancing there will be periods when the music, provided by the omni-present Bob Yeazell Orchestra, will be designed especial-

ly for this pleasure. The Jr. hostesses will hold a meeting of their gracious clan at 1930 hours, so gals, get into your bibs and tuckers a little earlier than usual.

Athletic endeavors are also adequately arranged for by the inclusion in the week's activities, of a skating party at the Rocket City Roller Rink, Thursday evening. Buses will leave the Service Club at 1830 hours.

All of you people who were unlucky enough to miss the first showing of "At War With the Army" have a second chance at its rib-splitting humor, on Friday evening at 2000 hours in the Rocket Auditorium. Don't Miss It.

On Saturday evening from 2000 to 2300 hours, the rafters of the Service Club will be rocking in rustic rhythm as devotees of 'The Barn Dance' hit their peak. The order of the day will be Do-Si-Do and Alle-mande Right, so grab your partner, it's going to be quite a night.

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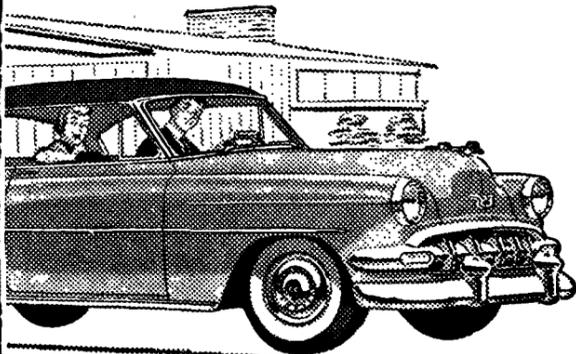
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PROPOSED GS AND CPC PAY RAISES GIVEN BY WASHINGTON COLUMNIST

(Ed's Note: The following article reprinted in part from the "Washington Post," is by a well known Washington reporter, Jerry Klutz.)

The President's "one-package" plan to reclassify the jobs of classified and postal employees and to extend "fringe" benefits to all federal employees was well received yesterday on Capitol Hill.

Chairman Phillip Young of the Civil Service Commission appeared before the Senate Post Office and Civil Service Committee, to explain the President's nine-point program in detail. Chairman Frank Carlson (R-Kansas) said he was favorably impressed by it. He is sponsoring a bill which would provide many of the "fringe" benefits endorsed by the Administration.

Young revealed that the Administration would oppose that provision of the Carlson bill to provide up to \$100 annually to each federal employee who was required to wear a uniform while on duty. He said the opposition was based solely on the over-all costs involved, estimated at about 15 million dollars a year.

Young stressed that the proposed job reclassification would "correct pay inequities" which were caused by flat across the board increases. And he emphasized, too, that the Administration was opposed to any such additional pay raises as have been proposed by Congress.

The top Administration spokesman on personnel problems said that the cost of living had increased 93.6 per cent since 1939, and he conceded that most GS entrance rates would still lag behind that figure even if the reclassification plan is approved.

Young said that grades GS-1 and -2 had been increased 98.4 and 91 per cent, respectively, since 1939, and that was why no additional increase had been recommended for them.

In the meantime, Chairman Rees (R-Kansas) of the House Civil Service Committee introduced a bill to carry out the President's reclassification plan.

The increase for GS-3 is 82.1 and it would be raised to 85.2 per cent under the President's plan. GS-4 is now 76.3 and it would be boosted to 80.6 per cent. GS-5 is 70.5 and it would go to 80 per cent. GS-6 would go from 65 to 73.9; GS-7 from 61.7 to 69.2; GS-8 from 59.3 to 65.5; GS-9 from 58.1 to 65.6; GS-10 from 57.1 to 65.7; GS-11 from 56.3 to 68.4; GS-12 from 53 to 63; GS-13 from 49.3 to 57.1; GS-14 from 47.7 to 56.9 and GS-15 from 35 to 45 per cent.

The table below is the present and proposed entrance salary rates of the 900,000 federal and district government employees covered by the General Schedule (GS) of the Classification Act. Employees also should know that



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Artillery Battalion stationed here Napoleon decided to do some hunting while stationed at Camp Stewart. He set off through the swamp and after an hour or so he came across some wild pig rooting in the mud. Picking out the smallest one, Napoleon brought his gun to his shoulder and fired.

"The first shot hit him in the left hind leg but only angered him. He turned and roared and charged me. I pumped my shotgun and fired again — point blank."

This time Napoleon was on target. The shot hit the head of the charging boar, killing it instantly.

The fun, however, was just beginning at this point. The other three boars charged, forcing Napoleon to take to the trees. From his tree refuge he fired shot around them in an attempt to drive them off.

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2	2750	2750	None
3	2950	3000	\$50
4	3175	3250	75
5	3410	3600	190
6	3795	4000	205
7	4205	4400	195
8	4620	4800	180
9	5060	5300	240
10	5500	5800	300
11	5940	6400	460
12	7040	7500	460
13	8360	8800	440
14	9600	10200	600
15	10800	11600	800

The present and proposed entrance salary rates for each of the 10 grades of the Crafts, Protective and Custodial schedule (CPC) appears below along with the proposed increase for each of the grades. An estimated 116,000 employees are covered by the CPC schedule.

The proposed increase, if any, for the entrance rate of the grade is the same for each of the several steps within the grade.

Grade	Present	Proposed	Increase
1	\$1810	\$1810	None
2	2420	2420	None
3	2552	2552	None
4	2750	2750	None
5	2974	3000	\$ 26
6	3200	3250	50
7	3435	3600	165
8	3740	4000	260
9	4150	4400	250
10	4565	4800	235

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