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GRABENSTEDER TO ASSIST IN DRAFT

Deputy Comptroller On Advisory Group

Louis Grabenstedter, deputy Comptroller at Redstone, has been named to a new Advisory Committee to assist Alabama Selective Service in classifying selectees in certain highly specialized fields, according to an announcement by Col. T. T. Johnson, Jr., state director of the Selective Service System.

All committee members are highly recommended, and are leaders in their respective fields. On request, they will advise Local Selective Service Boards on scientific, engineering, and other specialized personnel.

Col. Johnson said that Maj. Lewis B. Hershey, national director of Selective Service, has requested that six states name these Advisory Committees. Other than Alabama, California, Michigan, New Jersey, New York, and Ohio were chosen to test the practical usefulness of such a program throughout the Selective Service System.

The organization meeting for the committee was held April 13 in Birmingham. Dr. John M. Gallalee, former president of the University of Alabama, Dr. David W. Mullins, executive vice president of Alabama Polytechnic Institute, and Joseph P. Trotter, engineer of the Ernst Construction Co., of Mobile, and S. Jack Davis, head of the Textiles Research Section of the Chemstrand Corp., Decatur are some of the distinguished members of the committee.

"General Hershey stressed that our local boards have proven themselves quite capable of exercising reliable judgment when provided with complete and pertinent information," Johnson pointed out. "But in view of the increasing technical nature of many occupations, felt that some effort should be made to set up some type of system whereby local boards could be provided in appropriate cases with expert advice."

Johnson emphasized that the committee would be advisory only in its relationship to the local boards. The committee, having highly technical and specialized knowledge of the occupations involved in research, production, and other related fields, will render to the local boards, in individual cases, advisory opinions as to the essentiality of a registrant in his particular field.

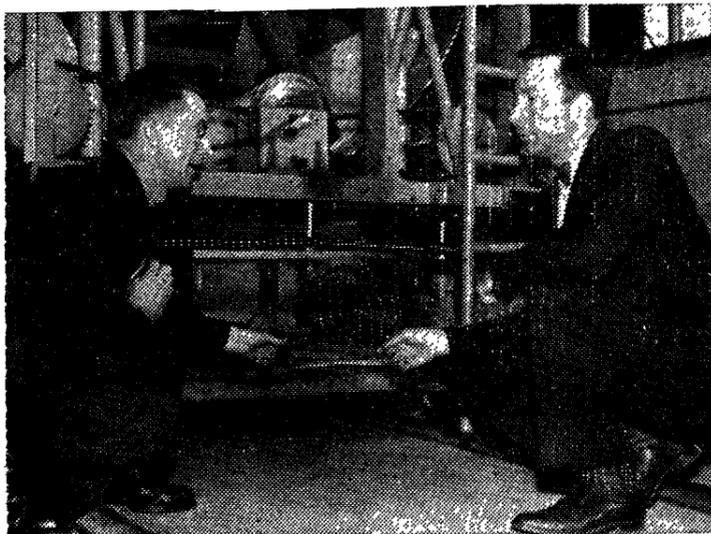
He said the recommendation might, for instance, include whether or not the activity in which an individual is engaged is necessary to the maintenance of the national health, safety, or interest.

"This committee may also recommend whether the registrant can be replaced because of a shortage of qualified men in his occupational activity," Johnson explained. It could also recommend whether the removal of such a registrant will cause a material loss of effectiveness in his field, Johnson said.

Johnson explained that the recommendations were intended to help the local board determine whether a "temporary deferment" should be granted, in order that the registrant could be replaced in his employment. "These recommendations in no way violate the fundamental principle of Selective Service that occupational deferments are granted for temporary periods, and in no instance will such deferments become permanent exemptions from military service," Johnson stressed.

He said the program is intended mainly to aid in the classification of individuals in three employment areas—research, production, and technical.

CANCER KILLS!
Help Kill Cancer!



GMDD, explains a suggested improvement to E. C. Wooten, executive secretary of the Efficiency Awards Committee. Wooten recommended the use of a crank type stop to be used on the dolly of a spot welder, which eliminates the necessity of using another employe for adjusting the equipment during operation. The suggestion earned the employe \$70.

Checks Totaling \$185 Given

Milford Compton, GMDD Fabrication Laboratory employe, led a parade of awards winners when checks totaling \$185 were presented during the last week for suggestions for improvement of the arsenal. An annual savings for the government of over \$3166 was realized, in addition to the elimination of safety hazards and improvements for the convenience of employes.

Compton received \$70 for suggesting the installation of a crank type stop on a spot welder dolly that eliminated the necessity of an additional man behind the dolly to change adjustments. The

Steurer to Address Technical Seminar

"Material Problems in Missile Design" will be the subject of the second Technical Orientation Seminar to be held at Rocket Au-

estimated savings amounted to \$1664.

Three other GMDD employes also received checks. Edgar Kinney of the Fabrication Laboratory was presented \$20 for recommending the re-use of cloth mail bags, resulting in a \$400 annual savings. Clyde Holmes of the Mechanical Lab won \$10 for suggesting safety guards for a tube cutting machine. Thomas Lightfoot, Launching and Handling, was paid \$10 for his idea of the use of cigarette butt sifters for cleaning sand buckets.

Ten dollars went to Leo Troup of Consolidated Supply for recommending the paving of a slab near Building W-440 to make operation easier at this point.

Frank Brown, Ammunition Division, Line 6, was presented \$55 for recommending an improved method of changing the nomenclature on fuses. An annual savings of \$1102 was estimated.

Hiers Will Attend Safety Luncheon

James E. Hiers, Safety Office, will represent Redstone at a Traffic Safety "Dutch" luncheon, sponsored by the Huntsville Jaycees, at Noon Saturday at the Russel Erskine Hotel, it was announced by Paul McClung, Management Office.

The luncheon is a kickoff for the Huntsville Safety Week, which starts the following day, Jaycee President McClung said.

A representative from the Alabama Safety Council in Montgomery, will deliver the principle address. MacEdward Nolen, state Jaycee traffic safety chairman from Birmingham, will be on hand with an "Ortho-rater" — a device used for testing the sight of drivers or would-be drivers.

Law enforcement officials from Huntsville, Madison County, and the state will also be present at the luncheon. Anyone else interested in traffic safety is urged to attend the affair, McClung said. Tickets will be available at the door.

To climax the Traffic Safety Week, a teen-age "Road-E-O" will be held, he said. This event is aimed at testing the driving skill of youthful drivers.

Security Violations Increase in 1954

A marked increase in the number of security violations in the Third Army area has been noted since Jan. 1, James Lynch, security officer, said.

The increase coincided with the publication of Circular 127, DA, 1953, he said. This circular prescribes additional security measures in preparing and transmitting classified documents. Mainly, it requires that outgoing documents classified "Confidential" be registered.

All arsenal division and section chiefs should take necessary action to see that their personnel who prepare and transmit classified documents become familiar with the provisions of this circular, as well as other pertinent regulations, Lynch said.

Branch Post Office Set for Troop Area

CANCER CRUSADE BEHIND SCHEDULE

Only \$942 Given By RSA Employes

Redstone's "Cancer Crusade" had tallied only \$942.88 at press time Thursday, Capt. Joseph Hinesley, arsenal chairman, reported.

"This is far short of what we had hoped for this late in the campaign," Capt. Hinesley said. "Last year about \$4500 was contributed to the 'Cancer Crusade' by arsenal personnel. We want to do that well again this year."

The crusade started April 1 and will run through the month. About 40 co-chairmen have been appointed over the arsenal to make personal solicitations and receive donations.

OML leads the list of contributors with \$178.97. Employes at Ammunition have contributed \$171 and Post Engineer workers have come through with \$156.64. Other segments reporting and their contributions are:

Redstone Depot	\$ 4.65
Army Inspector of Ordnance	29.75
Inspector General	5.00
Safety Office	4.00
Adjutant Division	29.15
Finance	12.50
Purch. & Contract.	59.10
Small Business Office	2.00
Transportation	93.25
Field Service	85.37
Nat'l Procurement	33.00
Comptroller & Man.	78.00
Legal Office	.50

ditorium at 8:30 a.m., Friday, April 23.

Dr. W. H. Steurer, chief of the Materials Laboratory Section, Structures and Mechanics Laboratory, GMDD, will be the speaker.

This lecture will be unclassified and all interested personnel are invited to attend. For further information, call the Redstone Graduate Institute, Ext. 3-3137.

Bids Being Taken For Postal Clerk To Be in Charge

A branch post office will be established at Redstone for use of troops sometime soon, Capt. Wilbert R. Becker, adjutant, announced.

Bids are being accepted now at the Huntsville post office for the position of clerk to be in charge of the branch office, which will be a branch of the main post office in Huntsville.

The branch office will be set up in the Exchange building in the troop area.

The adjutant said that all services offered at the downtown post office will be offered here. This includes such things as money orders, special delivery stamps and insurance.

Date of the opening has not been set yet, Capt. Becker said. However, the branch office will probably open shortly after a clerk is found to run it.

Both males and females are eligible to submit bids for the clerkship. Bids must be on an annual rate basis and they should be submitted in triplicate on Standard Form 33. Bids will be received by the postmaster, L.G. Collier, until 2 p.m. April 21.

Capt. Becker said that the wives of military personnel are particularly urged to submit bids.

The hours when the branch office is to remain open will be decided later, he said, but they will be arranged to give soldiers maximum benefit of services.

The new branch office in no way affects the operations of Mail and Records or normal business mail.

Jungerman Elected President of ROA

A Redstone employe, Edward E. Jungerman, was elected president of the local chapter of the Reserve Officers Association, Wednesday night.

Lt. Col. Jungerman, who works at National Procurement Division, succeeds Lt. Col. Charles L. Arnold as president.

Colonel T. E. Lawrence, USA, (Ret.), was the principle speaker and master of ceremonies at the installation of officers.

The newly installed officers are: President, Col. Jungerman; vice-president, Maj. Norman C. Buchholz; secretary - treasurer, Maj. Theo J. Combel, Jr.; vice-president, Army, Maj. Harold G. Zier; vice-president, Navy, Comdr. Marvin Dinsmore; vice-president, Air Force, Lt. Stephen Zelabowski.

The outgoing officers are: President, Arnold; vice-president, Lt. Col. W. C. Benton; secretary-treasurer, Maj. Emmett V. Doyle; vice-president, Army, Maj. Albert H. Bryan; and vice-president, Navy, Lt. James G. Goodwin.

Von Braun Article Appears in Collier's

Dr. Wernher von Braun, Redstone's world famous space man, has another article in Collier's Magazine this week.

This time, instead of bothering with the moon, the fictional space travelers make it all the way to Mars, the closest planet but one to the earth.

The preparations for the trip, the actual voyage, the landing, exploring, and return, make exciting reading.

It is the third article dealing with space travel that Dr. von Braun has co-authored for the nationally circulated magazine.

H. G. Barbazon, news supervisor for this area, said that a thousand extra copies of the magazine had been ordered for Huntsville.

22911 REDSTONE PIN-UP



SHE AIMS HIGH—Pretty Shirley Blackwood looks "real cool" practicing her aim for a favorite summer sport—archery. And she knows the right costume to wear in this Alabama heat. This lovely brunet spends her on-duty hours in Budget and Fiscal. (Photo by Gil Edelstein)

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ORDNANCE GUIDED MISSILE SCHOOL

JEAN BREWER

Vacation time has finally arrived at OGMS. Among those leading the way are Nancy Ward and Rosemary Weatherington who just returned from a week's relaxation in Florida. Lt. William Schacht and family also spent an early vacation touring Florida. Lt. "Pete" Cummings just returned from leave which was spent at home, getting acquainted with "Steve" his new off-spring.

When we speak of leaves and vacations, we immediately think of those who are permanently vacating to their homes. Williams-

port, Pennsylvania welcomes a native son, Joseph Letscher who was recently discharged from active duty, after having served as an instructor in SAM Section of Internal Branch. Also, Internal Branch bids farewell to Albert Vogt, another discharged member of SAM Section.

Congratulations to Capt. Kenneth C. Johnson, Projects Officer, Management Assistance Office, on his recent promotion, and to those instructors who were recently promoted to corporal, they are: Alfred Lykens, Mechanical Br., James Monroe, External Branch, and Roland Kane, Internal Br.

Eugene Fesler, a representative of Northrop Institute, has just returned to work in the Propellants-Explosive Branch after spending several weeks at White Sand

REDSTONE DEPOT

BY LT. COL. T. H. EBBERT

MANAGEMENT:

We hear a lot about management these days. Books have been, and are being, written about it. I suppose a good understatement might be: "Some authors know what they are talking about." Since I am not an authority perhaps I can talk about some of the "little" things that can make or break "Big" management.

Let us consider two viewpoints: the scientist might say: "We will make two assumptions." Viewpoint (1). How you get the job done is immaterial. Results are what count.

Viewpoint (2). Getting the job done is vital, but the manager who can win willing cooperation from his employes will not only get the job done but he will turn out the better product.

"Nothing profound in either of these statements, is there? In a Communist country, viewpoint one might satisfy the slave drivers. It might even get the job done—sure, we have been reading about such things for some 20 years now. They turn out tractors that won't run, or if they do run—not for long. By the way, after more than 20 years of this, I notice a strong effort to buy American made tractors. You guess why.

Viewpoint (2). I have seen indications of this displayed in many places, including Redstone Arsenal—signs indicating: organize, deputize, supervise. These are good devices. In fact, these elements MUST be ever present. But lack-

Proving Ground and New York City.

Internal Branch welcomes new Branch Chief, Capt. Walter F. Diggs, who has spent 30 months with the Tokyo Ordnance Depot. Former Branch Chief, Lt. Richard P. Fallows, is now Training Officer in the Training Division.

Evidently it is not general knowledge that several of the girls at OGMS have found a very satisfactory way of preparing, financially, for the inevitable weddings, additions to the family, resignations (unfortunately), illnesses, and deaths among "sister employe." This "way", known as the "Gift Fund Club", is for each girl to pay a small amount into a fund each payday then when the inevitable happens, there is a nice nest-egg with which to purchase the appropriate gift or flowers. Any girl is invited to join the Club by contacting Jewel Thomas, Ext. 5828, who will furnish all the necessary details.

A group of OGMS young ladies was recently entertained with a luncheon at the home of Mrs. Edwina Moreton. The girls express their appreciation for the splendid food and warm hospitality which Mrs. Moreton provided.

There are still some people who will tell fish tales in spite of the fact that nobody believes them. According to John Parks, Propellants Explosive Branch, he caught 47 of the evil smelling creatures on a recent fishing spree.

Pvts. William Furst and Stanley Nunnenkamp, graduates of Class 18, have been assigned to External Branch as Instructors. Messrs. Kenneth Dixon, James Strickland, Donald Mackin, and Robert Wylie, Philco representatives, were also assigned to External Branch. Welcome to the staff and faculty.

Mrs. Louise Ogletree is now working the Management Assistance Office. She was replaced in Mail & Records by Mrs. Helen Lee, who was previously in the Ammunition Division. Welcome to OGMS Mrs. Lee.

M/Sgt. Koyanasky from External Branch replaced M/Sgt. Dempsey in P & A. M/Sgt. Dempsey is now with External Branch.

We extend our deepest sympathy to Mrs. Gene Kurtz and to M/Sgt. William Allen both of whom recently suffered the loss of their fathers.

We are happy to see the return of Pfc. David Harris who has been on leave at his home in Texas. According to David, his main objective for going home was to get his fill of "good ole Texas beef steak."

Pfc. Winegar and Pvt. Coleman of Propellants-Explosive Branch are spending leaves in their respective home states.

Mrs. Martha Hobbs of P & A moved last week from Ardmore, Tennessee to Huntsville. Miss Jo Putnam, Commandant's Secretary, moved from Athens, Ala., to Decatur, Ala.

It is with regret that the Mechanical Branch announces the transfer of the following Instructors to White Sands Proving Grounds. Cpl. Ernest V. Collins, Cpl. Alfred P. Lykens, Cpl. Richard L. Quirk, Cpl. Nels G. Johnson, and Pfc. Don B. Riley.

MP HI-LITES

BY ROY "NED" DUGGER

Ahoy all you landlubbers . . . This has been a very eventful week for the MP Detachment . . . The most important event was our

ing cooperation, what will they accomplish? This business of cooperation is, fortunately, an American National Habit. Without this we could never have arrived where we are.

Cooperation (enforced or otherwise) built the pyramids, finally defeated the Romans. I'm no philosopher. This argument can be debated both ways. Willing, enthusiastic cooperation is the only medium whereby we can develop a superior product—fast.

Are you sold yet? Good! But let's just add one more for good measure. I know of a prominent American product that is selling "like hotcakes". And every sale is driving that company closer to bankruptcy! No names please. The question is—WHY!

In my opinion, the management in that company has replaced craftsmen with workers. A real craftsman has "willing cooperation" as a "built-in" mechanism; consequently, he turns out a superior product. With good leadership he will not only turn out a superior product, but he will find a way to do it rapidly and cheaply.

We come now to the users; that is you and I. When we spend our hardearned dollars for, say, a TV set—what do we buy? Why, the one that gives us the most satisfaction for the money we pay. We have willingly cooperated with the craftsmen who willingly cooperated in the first place—whatever that means.

moving from our old area to the 9352nd area. In other words, we're close to the flag pole and right by Fire Station number four. Now if the First Sergeant explodes we'll be close to someone who can extinguish the resulting fires . . .

Pvt. Jerome (Chi Boy) Pelka is still getting mail from three or four little chickadees. One of 'em is gonna catch up with him one of these days. . . Congrats to the 13 men promoted to PFC recently . . .

The fence is coming along splendidly and will be completed soon. M/Sgt. Robert L. (Roy Rogers) Booker had an accident and his big toe was injured. He claims "Trigger" stepped on it . . . Pvt. Byron C. (Coffee Time) Starr, who is presently working in the Orderly Room, and Pvt. Richard (Tonto) Hector are swapping turns being the Detachment Mail Clerk. It's quite a deal. I'm wondering if they're reading each other's post cards . . .

Quite a number of our sharecroppers are getting 3 day passes and leaves. Really makes keeping the duty rosters a pleasure . . .

Crime Hi-Lite: The army doctor was examining a draftee. "Flat feet ever bother you?"

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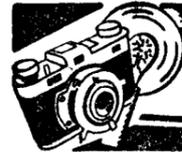
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BY HELEN REED

There is a comparatively new red brick building down on Patton Road which sits alone, against a background of Spring blooming trees and shrubs. It doesn't look like the usual office building, nor is it a warehouse type of structure. We stopped in the parking lot and wondered which one of the few openings would be a good place to try to enter!

Once inside, it isn't so strange at all, with offices, supply rooms, rooms full of machinery we can't describe, (because we know absolutely nothing about it) and a great lack of windows.

This is where Mrs. James L. (Bobbie Jo) McGill is the secretary to John L. McDaniel, deputy chief of the Test and Evaluation Branch of RDD.

Bobbie Jo is the pretty wife of Sgt. McGill, who is stationed at Sullivans Barracks near Frankfurt, and Mannheim, Germany.

She is an unusually sweet and attractive young lady whom we liked very much.

Bobbie Jo came to Redstone last September on a transfer from Camp Stewart, Ga., so she could be nearer her hometown of Attalla, Ala.

When her husband entered service in December, 1950, then left this area in January, 1951, Bobbie Jo decided to go up near Camp Edwards, Mass., where he was assigned.

She was there four months living in a resort town, 55 miles north of Boston. "They told us the summer population was about 30,000, but only 3,000 in the winter. We were completely snowed in while I was there. There was no place to go, and nothing to do but look at the snow," Bobbie Jo remarked in remembering, Onset, Mass.

The McGills went from Camp Edwards to Camp Stewart. What a contrast that must have been, from the snowbound coast of New England to the piney woods of Georgia.

After Sgt. McGill went to Germany, Bobbie stayed on at Camp Stewart working in the hospital, until she got the transfer to Redstone.

Her work at Camp Stewart was pretty routine. She knew from one week to the next just what she would be doing. Not so, at Redstone.

"Something new comes up every day, things one would never consider if not working in it," Bobbie Jo related. "I type material for others in the building. Practically all of the range work comes through here."

"When there are demonstrations, we have visitors, but otherwise we seldom see anyone not employed in the building," Betty Jo told us.

There seemed to be very few girls around, so we asked if there are any others at all in the building. Bobbie Jo counted—"There is a draftsman, Mrs. Martha Frier-son. Then there's Mrs. Jean Strickland, another secretary, and Mrs. Marian Turner who transferred here recently."

Presently she has an apartment

BUDGET & FISCAL

BY M. MENDEL

We are happy to welcome the following new faces to the Budget and Fiscal domain: Bobbie Johnson, who lives in Athens with her husband and daughter, Sharon Ann. Betty Ward, formerly from Atlanta whose husband is now stationed at Redstone. They have a son, Sidney. Shirley Nash from Rogersville, Ala., and Angela Sobko of Bloomfield, N. J., whose husband is in the Ordnance Guided Missile School.

While some people move in, others move on: Phyllis Hoxie and Eleanor Fortini have returned to New England following their husbands' separation from service; Evelyn Russell left us to be with her husband at his new location in New York State and Beverly Adkins resigned due to illness.

We congratulate James Brazelton, 15-year old son of Hazel Brazelton, who is employed in our Fiscal Accounting Branch, on the medal he received for his excellent cornet playing in recent state competition.

Have you noticed that sparkle in Kitten Crider's eyes lately? It matches the sparkle on her left hand. Guess the big event is going to be a spring feature.

Sporting new cars are Anne Ri-

ley, and Evelyn Wall while the Curtis' are now a two-car family. By the way the Wall's new car is not a stock car.

We are happy to welcome to the younger set a young lady born to Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Fraser.

Mr. Williams' riders are most grateful for radio recently installed in his car. This gratitude must have some reason.

Lacy Clay and her husband moved into their new home on Bluefield Road recently. When's the housewarming?

We are glad to see the smiling face of Mr. Ancel Farris again, back with us after a recent illness.

Clara Terry spent a weekend in Warner Robins, Ga., recently.

Lillian Tyler celebrated her birthday in Birmingham last weekend.

Jennie Hughes and Elizabeth Williams each had a week's vacation recently. Seems they just stayed home doing some spring cleaning.

Mildred Busbin attended the state convention of the League of Women Voters in Birmingham.

Kathleen Sisco and husband attended the Jaycee convention in Montgomery. Bet that was really a weekend.

The girls in Payroll surprised their chief, Lacy Strong with a birthday cake recently. I've heard that the cake tasted might good with their morning coffee. We were quite surprised to learn that the cake would hold the required number of candles.

Tom Willis and Lacy Strong have been bragging about the good luck they have had on their fishing trips lately. What we want to know is whether this is due to a certain "Know-how" or the particular fish market they have been

patronizing. Our latest information about Viola—seems that she is having trouble getting shoes to go with her new Easter outfit—she wears a size 12.

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Speaking of Spring, Viva la mockingbirds. We've about four right outside the window, who carol constantly.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Haraway ("Pollyanna") announce the birth of a daughter, Marion Jane, who weighed in at 7 pounds. Congratulations.

We've a celebrity in the office. Vivian Jacobs is a member of the Adult Division of the YMCA Women's Basketball team that won the Madison County championship. Did you see her picture in the local gazette March 31? She was the real cute one in the back row.

Everyone seems to be doing it these days. Yep, fishing is really the current mode. Ripley should

FIELD SERVICE DIVISION
BY SUDIE AMSLER

We're planning to FINE frolic, and it's a triple threat deal whereby we kill three birds with one stone. It's to be a bon voyage party

hear "the ones that got away" tales circulating around P&C. If word gets around to the Nawth Waters, they'll be sending whalers down to land 'em.

Welcome to the new employe, Pat Hinkley. Pat transferred from Finance Center, Indianapolis, Ind. Her father, Col. O. T. Hinkley, is the new Finance Officer.

Bob Broun and 'family' enjoyed a social luncheon of barbecued chicken a few days ago. Hear 'twas delicious.

Peggy Rousseau spent the weekend with her family in the metropolis of Colored Pebble—er Paint Rock, Ala. How's the 'night life' there, Peg?

Mrs. Gerry Peabody is leaving Friday to await the arrival of a new tax exemption. Don't forget to send us the proverbial bulletin.

ty for Major Sparks, a fare-thee-a well party for Col. Beach, and a welcome party for Col. Elias. The date is April 23rd, the theater of operations is Cambron's, and it's a dine an' dance deal. From scattered smatters of information, it seems Laverna Frazier, Bob Stultz, Evelyn Crabtree and Herbert Parker are sparking the function.

Y'll come, and we'll have a gay old time.

WO JG Rene L. Mood, recently assigned to FSD, is a handy man to have about the place. He'll tackle any task you give him and turn it out for you in nothing flat.

We're going to have a candidate for the most versatile girl anywhere if Clara Teters keeps going. She came to work in the library, found herself sitting in on teletype duty, assisting at rush hours in Mail & Records and finally, acting as receptionist when needed. First thing you know she will be NX.

The girl in the classified mail department with all the answers and all the earrings is Jean Baker, a transfer from Mail & Records, Bldg. A-101. Mighty happy to have you folks with us.

Home from the West Coast for a short spell is Kyle Chalker. He brought news of Levi Smith. Poor Smitty had a slight accident with

truck, and we all hope he's completely recovered by this time.

Joe and Clare Haley went to another Coast—the Gulf Coast. Joe said they really had a good time.

That was a gorgeous orchid Sara Hix was sporting around the office the other day. It was presented her at the recent Pilot Club meeting in Sheffield. Sara said they had a fine time over there. Oh, by the way—weren't the Shriners holding a conclave there at the same time?

THE BIG HOTEL ROBBERY. And Holy Toledo! That's where it happened. Bill Shroust, Angelo Ferranti and George Nichols were in a hotel, sleeping away like innocent babes when this second story operator entered their rooms and made off with all their nickels. (Tom Childress was with them, but foxed the thief. He hid his lucre in his pillow case). The unlucky three had a sad awakening the next morning. Their first words were: "WE WUZ ROBBED".

All this is very sad, but there's a happy ending. The hotel management made good their losses.

The June issue of Fortune Magazine will be of special interest to home folks. It will contain a story of the pleasure craft, etc., on the Tennessee River.

Mrs. W. A. Cobb is presenting the program at the meeting of the Redstone Garden Club at 10 a.m. today, in the home of Mrs. William Baker, 311 S. Lincoln St., Huntsville. The guest speaker is discussing conditions and arranging of flowers, and she will give some suggestions on how local nurseries and greenhouses can assist the club members. With an active program planned, the club will offer help and entertainment for all dependents of members of the armed forces and residents of the arsenal, who are interested in joining. Anyone interested should call Mrs. Theodore Ebbert at Ext. 5054 for further information.

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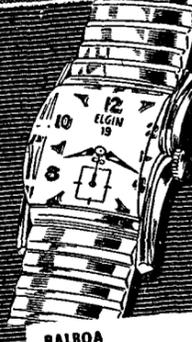
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BASEBALL SPARK—One of Redstone's hottest basketball players has turned in his gym suit for a baseball outfit. Ben Cavaliere was a stand-out at second base last year for the Rockets and he hopes to repeat again this season. The speedy infielder is also assistant coach for the local nine.

'ATHLETE OF WEEK' SERIES STARTS WITH CAVALIERE AS FIRST CHOICE

BY JACK WOLFF

Starting off the new "Athlete of the Week" series is 23 year old Corporal Ben Cavaliere. An arsenal athlete more worthy of the lead-off spot would be difficult to find, for hustling Bennie has been a more than active participant in Redstone's sports program for over a year.

Bennie has spark-plugged the Redstone baseball and basketball teams since his arrival at the arsenal, March 9, 1953. He has racked up an impressive athletic record in his short time here at Redstone to add to his feats in civilian days. Ben scored over 200 points as a high-powered basketball guard this year and belted in more than his share of runs as captain and second baseman for the arsenal nine. His defensive

ball-hawking in both sports has been responsible for many narrow margin wins for the Redstone team.

Ben, born in Norristown, Penn., was a three-letter man in high school, starring in football, basketball and baseball. It was at Norristown High that he was introduced to American Legion baseball which was to be the stimulus for a promising professional career. It was also while with the Legion team that he encountered what was to be his greatest sports thrill. "It was the East-West American Legion Championship played under the lights at Shibe Park in Philadelphia," Ben reminisced. "The game was a big thing in itself for a 16 year old, but the noise in

Softball Managers Hold First Meeting

Civilian and military softball managers met at the Service Club last Thursday afternoon to talk over some of the difficulties facing them this season.

Discussion was led by Sgt. Ralph Glendening of Special Services Athletics on the problems in schedules. Nights and times most suitable to play were tentatively decided upon though much of the advance scheduling depends on the completion of the new softball field now being graded.

At least two games per week are promised each team entered in the league. The first round of play will afford each team to play each of the other thirteen entered. If postponed games are few, it may be possible for a second round to be completed before the season is over.

An idea for a game between the military and civilian all-stars at the end of the season was suggested and agreed upon and the acquisition of team and individual trophies was discussed.

Sgt. Glendening is awaiting official word of entry from the student and post officers in the military league and a team from Ammunition Division in the civilian league.

the crowded stands, the glaring lights and my extreme nervousness made that game especially memorable."

From Norristown High and American Legion ball, Ben entered Duke University with a baseball scholarship. He divided his time well between his favorite sport, baseball, and his major subjects, business and accounting. It was at Duke that he was taught the poise and tricks of the game that turn a natural amateur athlete into professional material. He attributes any athletic prowess he has today to his collegiate mentor, Jack Coombs, onetime major league pitcher. "He is one of the greatest baseball coaches in the country," asserts Ben.

A broken leg in his junior year kept him out of play for most of that season. This incident Ben laughingly labels his "greatest sport's disaster." "It happened in an early season game with Indiana University," laughed Ben. "We had the game sewed-up at 19-1. I had had a good day with five runs of my own but I got anxious in the eighth while waiting on third and took out for home. I hit the dirt, scored the run, but also broke my leg."

In his senior year at Duke, Ben shared All-Southern Conference honors with his team. He won the batting championship of the Southern Conference while Duke University was voted one of the Big Four teams of the Conference.

Three days after graduation, "Big Bat Bennie" signed a contract with the Philadelphia Athletics. He played Class B ball for Raliegh, North Carolina until a few days before the season's closing when Uncle Sam stepped in to the picture.

After eight weeks of basic training and another eight weeks of Ordnance Supply School at Ft. Benning, Ga., Ben came to Redstone where he is now working at Special Services and continuing his sports activities as the arsenal's peppery little second baseman.

As to the future he is undecided. "I would like to return to pro ball, the Athletics still have my contract, but if a good business position comes along I'll probably take it."

If the business world wins Ben's favor and if he enters it with the aggressive spirit he displays on the baseball diamond, his future is bound to be successful.

WO REQUEST GO TO SAFETY

Effective yesterday, Repairs and Utilities Work Order Requests, DA Form 5-27, are being submitted to Post Engineer through the Safety Office. This is being done pending rewriting of RSA Administrative Instructions 400-16-52.

Wanna Be an Ump? Here's a Chance

For the active baseball and softball season ahead, many more umpires are needed, said Capt. Wattendorf of Special Services last week.

The only way anyone may officiate Redstone games this season is to first attend the arsenal's Umpire Clinic. The present class claims an enrollment of only four arbitrators but Capt. Wattendorf hopes for many more members to be on hand for a new class starting this week.

Special Services realizes that though the job of an umpire involves many amusing experiences it is not always an easy one, so they have arranged to reimburse the game officials. Release from duties is also taken care of so the men may attend the Umpires Clinic which usually meets in the afternoons.

Anyone interested in attending the new class of the school should contact Special Services at 5476.

Candidates Meet For Swimming Team

The first meeting of the arsenal swim team candidates was held at 6:30 in the Service Club last night.

Names of the hopefuls were taken and plans for dryland workouts were made, according to Lt. Stewart Evans, team coach and manager. He expects the boys to equal or better the mark set at the Third Army Meets last year when the team took fourth place with only half a team entered and backed up by three weeks of practice.

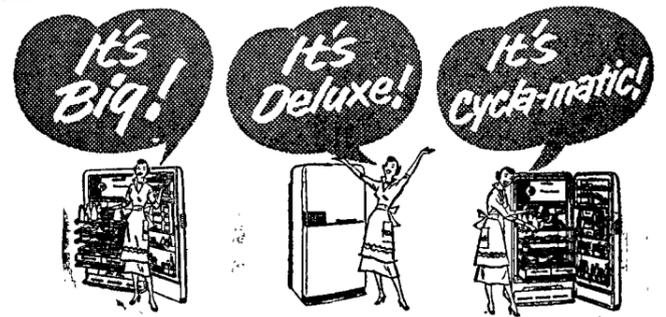
Anyone interested in coming out for the team who missed last night's meeting should contact Lt. Evans or call Special Services at 5476.

NEW BALL FIELDS AWAITED

Within 30-45 days four new ball fields will be ready for use, according to word received from Special Services last week.

Work is now in progress on a new lighted baseball field across from the Commissary and another lighted softball field on the other end in the same area.

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When SFC Dick Coddington was told to go to the Dental Clinic and make a color photograph of the inside of a man's mouth, he didn't bat an eye. To Coddington, it was just another assignment—no more unusual than dozens of other requests that pour into the

Photography Section in Bldg. W-441. The Photography Section, a part of OML coming under the Administrative and Management most any conceivable job—whether it's motion pictures, still pho-



FILM EDITING—Editing motion picture films of rocket technicals and other arsenal activities is one of the many highly technical jobs done by the Motion Picture Unit of the Photography Section. Here, Jack Martin is shown editing in the Photo Lab.

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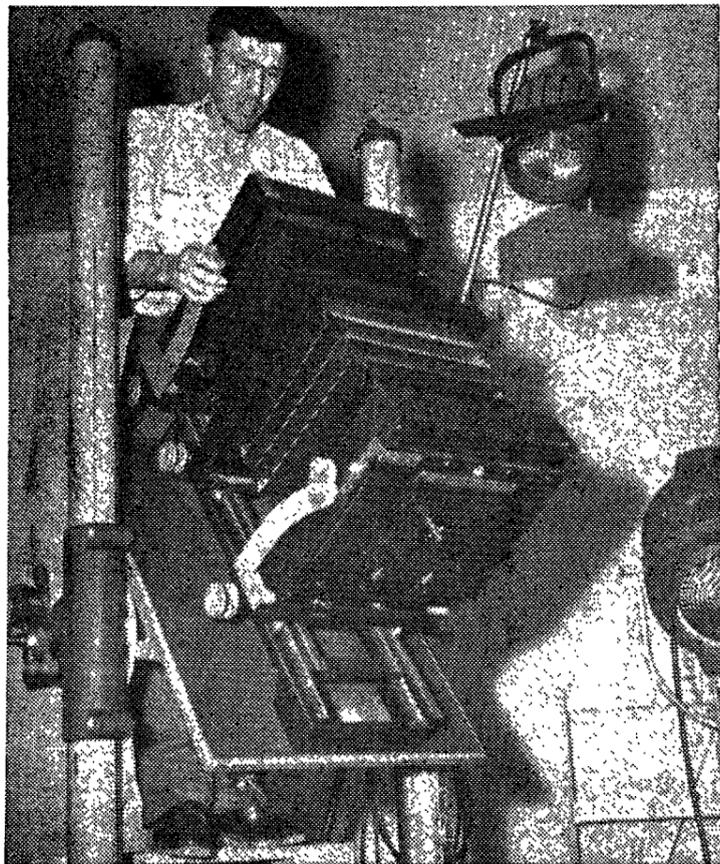
tos, or color shots. Some of the work, however, is a little more interesting than taking a picture of a man's abscessed tongue. When a pretty Redstone girl consents to pose in shorts or bathing suit, the 12 staff photographers all volunteer their services.

But it proves more difficult to find a volunteer to go out on a flat bottom boat during the winter and get pictures of the Redstone "Navy", a job that Gil Edelstein found himself one cold, wet day. Edelstein got the pictures—he also got soaked.

The Photography Section—commonly known as the Photo Lab—is headed by George V. Sowers, from Mansfield, Ohio. Principally a motion picture man, Sowers came to Redstone in April, 1952 from Chincoteague, Va.

Sowers, and his assistant, Sam Hobbs, have 32 employees. On an average month, they process 156,000 feet of motion picture film and 7500 still photo prints.

The tremendous amount of work processed by the Photo Lab



LOOKING DOWN—Harvey McCrary, one of the Photo Lab's top photographers, focuses a giant Deardorff camera on an unseen subject. The camera, one of two at the Photo Lab, produces an eight by ten inch negative. It can also bring out an object until it is three times its actual size.

has made it necessary to develop an unusually efficient filing system. In fact, there are two systems: one for motion pictures and one for still photo negatives.

Miss Marie Wynn's still photo files include some 11,000 negatives, dating back several years. Miss Wynn set the system up herself, and she has made cross indexes for subject, number, alphabet, and chronology.

All that it takes to find a negative taken months before is to give Miss Wynn a brief description or the approximate date, and she dips into her files and comes up in minutes with the negative.

Mrs. Jan Warrick's motion picture files are not so complicated, but they are equally well kept. As film librarian, Mrs. Warrick keeps tab on work being done as well as finished movies.

The Photo Lab's equipment ranges from Deardorff cameras, which make eight by ten inch negatives, to 35-mm jobs, which produce prints little over an inch square.

O. B. Slotterbeck, in charge of the Still Photo Unit, recalls the biggest print ever made in the Lab. It was a cut-away drawing of the V-2 rocket. The print was nine feet long.

Not all of the jobs that come to the Photo Lab are as enjoyable as taking pictures of pretty girls. Sometimes the work holds a different kind of excitement. There was the photographer who had to stand on top of a concrete barricade and take shots of exploding nitro-glycerin.

Pfc. William Smith was stumped by one request—for a while. Someone wanted an aerial photo of the old NCO Club. There was no airplane available, and so Smith did the next best thing—he climbed the flag pole in front of the building and made the picture.

At other times photographers have found themselves hanging from telephone poles and rafters, or straddling partitions in giant warehouses.

Once, while making pictures in Bldg. 112, SFC Coddington got the shock of his life—and that statement is almost literally true.

Coddington was moving two food lamps, one in each hand. It was a warm day and his hands were damp with perspiration. The electric current decided to take a detour—through his body.

With about 25 amps cruising through him, Coddington froze. There were two people in front of him—looking the other way—but he couldn't make a sound to attract help. His vocal cords were paralyzed.

After a few seconds (or was it hours) a fuse blew out—and so did Coddington. He hit the floor on his face, the now impotent lamps clattering on each side. "It was 15 minutes before I stopped shaking," he said.

Although Sowers is chief of the Photo Lab, including still and motion pictures, he leaves most of the still photo work in the hands of Sam Hobbs, who incidentally,

can't help," is the way Harvey McCrary puts it. "And if there is someone else in the picture, he can make them relax and feel at ease."

Too much relaxation is not always a good thing, as one motion picture cameraman recalled. The cameraman was assigned to his first big rocket firing. Being a bit uneasy, he asked a colonel standing nearby:

"What do you do if one of these things gets out of control and starts coming down in the wrong place?"

The colonel, a veteran of many firings, assured him: "There is nothing you can do. No use in running, because you don't know where the bird will hit."

The rocket was launched—and sure enough it looked like it might be out of control. The camera man turned to the veteran soldier for further assurance. The colonel was gone.

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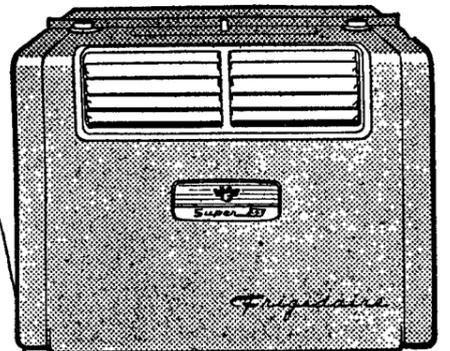
"celebrated" his third year at Redstone last Thursday.

A native of Decatur, Hobbs worked for the Decatur Daily, and ran his own photo shop before he came to Redstone.

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HAT SHOW WINNERS—These are the contestants in the Wives Club hat show who won the prizes for prettiest, most original and most comical hats at the tea on April 13 at the Officers' Open Mess. Left to right are Mrs. Prentiss B. Reed, Jr., Mrs. Archibald Dean and Mrs. Harry Schoenmann. Each is holding the prize she won. (Photo by Harvey McCrary)

Hats Are the Theme For Wives Club Tea

"Chapeaux a la Fantasie" was the theme for the Wives Club tea for members and guests on April 13 at the Officers' Open Mess. Decorations set the scene with red and white checked table cloths, candles in antique bottles, and a wheelbarrow filled with bouquets of spring flowers.

A center piece of red and white flowers was used on the tea table, and the silver tea and coffee services were on opposite ends of the serving table. Easter posters appeared on the walls.

Mrs. Henry R. Jordan was the mistress of ceremonies. She introduced the contestants as they appeared in their hat creations, giving their names and the names of the hats they wore.

The prizes were won by Mrs. Harry P. Schoenmann for most comical hat, by Mrs. Archibald Dean for the most original, and by Mrs. Prentiss B. Reed, Jr., for the prettiest. Mrs. Schoenmann received an Easter basket, Mrs. Dean an original hat, and Mrs.

Pre-Nuptial Parties Honor Doris Toftoy

Two parties last week honored Miss Doris Toftoy, bride-to-be in June.

Mrs. James P. Snooks, Jr., entertained with a tea and miscellaneous shower for Miss Toftoy at the Snooks home on the arsenal on April 16 when 50 guests were invited to call during the afternoon.

Mrs. Snooks, Mrs. H. N. Toftoy and Miss Toftoy received guests at the door, and Mrs. Clinton A. Waggoner opened the shower gifts and arranged them on display.

Two of Miss Toftoy's sorority sisters at the University of Alabama, Miss Peggy Venable and Miss Norma DeYoung, served the punch, and Mrs. George McBride assisted in serving refreshments. The bride's book was kept by Mrs. Edward Long.

The serving table was covered with a sheer embroidered white linen cloth and centered with a large bride's doll carrying a bouquet of white and pale pink snapdragons. Other table decorations were magnolia leaves painted white and lighted pale pink tapers.

On April 15, Mrs. William Ste-

Reed an Easter lilly.

The judges were Mrs. Elizabeth Parks Beamguard, Mrs. William Pennington and Mrs. M. Stuart McGee. Mrs. Beamguard made the announcement of the winners.

Mrs. Jordan read a message from Mrs. Charles Barrett, the retiring president, who could not be present for the meeting, and introduced the new president, Mrs. Woodrow Crum. Mrs. Crum was presented a corsage.

Mrs. Ben Keyserling, the hospitality chairman, arranged the tea table and the refreshments. Among those presiding at the tea table were Mrs. Miles Chatfield and Mrs. Frank Gasper.

Pvt. Joe Morrow furnished piano selections throughout the afternoon.

Mrs. Edward Long was the chairman of the program committee for this meeting. She and her committee were responsible for the elaborate planning for the event. The committee members were Mrs. John Wattendorf, Mrs. Schoenmann and Mrs. Dean.

Approximately 50 members and guests were present.

Parties Are Given To Honor Barretts

Col. and Mrs. Miles B. Chatfield entertained at a cocktail supper on April 12 for Lt. Col. and Mrs. Charles E. Barrett. More than 20 guests were included in the courtesy at the Chatfield home on the arsenal.

Another weekend party for the Barretts in addition to the April 11 dinner given by Capt. and Mrs. Joseph Hinesley, was on April 10 when the Barretts were dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Rush Byerline at 103 Benet Cr., Wherry. Col. Barrett left on April 13 for assignment in Saudia, Arabia.

Mrs. Will Halsey, Jr., were hostesses at a luncheon at the Huntsville Country Club for Miss Toftoy.

The centerpiece for the luncheon table was rose and white snapdragons, and green fern was used the length of the table. Miss Toftoy was presented a gardenia corsage tied with rose colored ribbon, and a gift of crystal from the hostesses.

Included among the guests were Miss Kate Halsey, Mrs. W.L. Halsey, Mrs. Ben Giles, Mrs. Milton K. Cummings, Mrs. Carl Jones, Mrs. James Fagan, Mrs. Joe Fleming, Mrs. Paul Elias, Mrs. H. N. Toftoy, Mrs. Benjamin Beach, Mrs. James P. Snooks, Jr., Mrs. Miles Chatfield, Mrs. C. A. Waggoner, Miss Norma DeYoung, Miss Peggy Venable, Mrs. Prentiss B. Reed, Jr., and the honoree.

Mr. and Mrs. James Fagan were the host and hostess at four tables of bridge on April 12 when Couples Bridge Club met at the Officers' Open Mess. They also won the high scores for the evening. Mrs. Richard Meyer and Lt. Thomas Cooper won the low scores. There will not be another meeting until May 3 at 7:30 p.m. when Mrs. Henry Thayer will be the hostess. Regular members who do not plan to attend should call Mrs. Thayer by noon of the 3rd at Ext. 3-1156.

Maj. Arthur Pinkham visited Redstone on April 14. He has recently returned from Inchon, Korea, and will assume duties as Post Signal officer here on May 8.

PERSONALS

There were three tables of bridge and one table of Samba in progress at the meeting of the Ladies' Bridge Club on April 15 at the Officers' Mess. Mrs. Henry Thayer won high score at bridge, Mrs. Woodrow Crum was second, and Mrs. James Long, a visitor from Springfield, Tenn., won low. The Samba winners were Mrs. Ben Wilson with high score, and Mrs. Frank Gasper won low. The next meeting will be at 10:30 a.m. on May 6. Those planning to attend should call Mrs. Edward Weatherford at Huntsville 5862-J

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Kelly are the parents of a son, Paul III, born April 8 at the Huntsville Hospital. Mr. Kelly is employed in the Management Office.

Sgt. and Mrs. Benny Adams announce the birth of Kathy Deborah on April 2 at Ft. McClellan Hospital. The baby weighed seven pounds and nine ounces.

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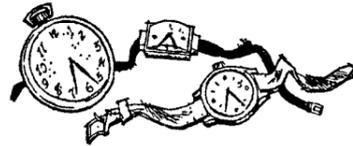
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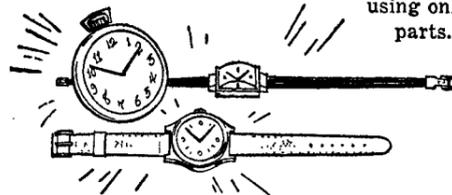
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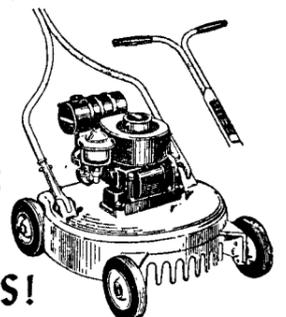
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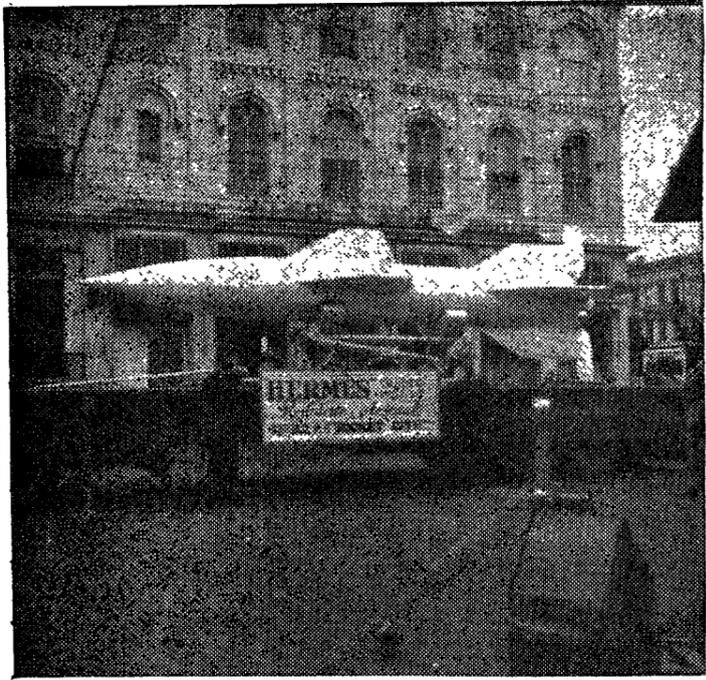


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ARSENAL FLOAT—A "Hermes" guided missile from Redstone took top honors in a parade at Montgomery during the State Junior Chamber of Commerce convention. The "Hermes" float, with two soldiers from Redstone and two Jaycee "space men," was among the three floats from Huntsville which captured the parade honors. The guided missile was also displayed in downtown Montgomery for one and a half days before the parade. The two soldiers with the missile are Bob Kurchnic and George Ging, both of 9330 TSU.

CONSOLIDATED SUPPLY

BY JANE GRAHAM

An inquiry for news in the various sections has revealed a scarcity of noteworthy events this week.

Mr. Simmons did take time to tell about his recent dream or rather it was a nightmare, which seems to be bothering him to the extent that he is searching for a dream interpreter. The dream goes something like this: Mr. Simmons was a new employe of John Zolnier in a beautiful and delectable candy shop. Naturally, right away he tried (in vain) to sample the candy only to hear, "Say, Ollie, don't do that." Later

of their life to come.

Rustic revelry is the order of the night on Saturday when Mr. and Mrs. John McDermott and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Countess will sound the clarion call "Choose Your Partners" as the scheduled Barn Dance gets under way.

Sunday morning at 0930 hours, coffee will be served at the Service Club with a session of Classical Music to follow. At 2030 hours the many new prizes that have been obtained for the sole purpose of giving them away, will start to find their way to their new owners when BING fills the center spot of activity. The new prizes include many which will be appreciated by members of the feminine sex plus a brand new assortment that should meet with the approval of all the male participants of the game.

The evening of the 22nd of April should prove to be a gay one at the Service Club as the long planned "High Time Variety Show" gets under way at 2000 hours.

A varied program of music, dancing and comedy has been prepared which should delight the entertainment appetites of every one attending. The spotlight will shine on many talented performers from both the Arsenal and the surrounding area as they engage in the battle to replace gloom with joy.

Among the many who will exercise their talents are such well known individuals as Ed DePolvere, master of mimicry, Miss Dee Cummings, song and tap dance stylist, Miss Ann Dickey, terpsichorean wonder and Bob Yeazell who will act as master of ceremonies. In addition Bob Yeazell and some of the members of his musical aggregation have promised to present a pantomime to music and Redstone's own representatives at the forthcoming Third Army Talent Finals, "The Rocketeers" will perform in their inimitable fashion.

These are but a few of the many attractions that have been assembled for your enjoyment, so be sure to make the Service Club a must on your list for the evening of the 22nd.

Do you desire to lift the misty curtain that hides the future from your eyesight? Are you intrigued with the fates that are in store for you?

If so, you will want to take full advantage of the opportunity offered on Friday evening at the Service Club to satisfy any such desires or curiosity.

At 2030 hours on this fateful evening the mysteries of the future will be unfolded before your eyes, as various purveyors of the age old art of prognostication will probe the unknown and attempt to bring forth the shrouded secrets of days to come.

Mrs. Flo B. Fleming, Mrs. Sidney L. Katz, Mrs. Jeane Van Beusekon and Mrs. Frank J. Gasper will utilize the medium they are most adept at, be it Palmistry, reading of the Cards or Horoscope. Interpretation in the effort to reproduce for you the "Handwriting on the Wall" which serves as a documentary report of your life to come, as the inexorable passage of time progresses.

Remember the time and date. The 23rd of April at 2030 hours for your own individual insight into the future.

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there was a second attempt, and he heard, "Sorry, I'll have to let you go." Mr. Simmons waked before he saw his replacement, but we can be sure it was someone who wouldn't take even a nibble of that fattening stuff.

Katherine Adams, a Butler High senior, and daughter of William Adams has returned from a pleasant trip with her class to Washington and New York.

Herman Hollingsworth is back from TDY in Raliegh, N. C. He was missed by many of his fellow employes, but there were several who realized his absence only when they saw him reappear on the scene.

We are all glad to have Eddie Pylant back with us and to know that her little boy, Jerry who has been seriously ill, is so much improved.

Helen Sullivan and Sam Burns are new arrivals in Building A-171. Helen went to Standard Accident and Sam to Mission. We are real glad to have you all join our gang.

Lillian Shahan was especially happy when she left Friday with husband Howard for a two week's visit with his family in Akron, Ohio. Howard has just been released from the Fort McClellan Hospital.

Best wishes go to a mighty fine person, Audrey Buford, who transferred to Field Service last week. While we miss you Audrey, we are pleased to know that our dear friend, Ruby Fanning, is enjoying old acquaintances.

Geneva Kilgore left Friday to await a visit from that benevo-

lent old bird. At a shower given by her sisters recently she was the recipient of many lovely and useful baby gifts, most of which were from the girls here in Building A-171. Best of luck from all of us to you, Geneva.

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SERVICE CLUB ACTIVITIES
BY BOB KURTZ

Running the gamut of entertainment from quiet pastimes to

uproarious frivolity, no individual's taste has been ignored in the planning of the events to take place at the Service Club this week.

It is well nigh impossible to single out any one function as the main attraction of the week, due to the great number of them rating stars, therefore a capsule digest of the schedule will follow and you may judge for yourselves.

Tuesday evening there will be a Dance Instruction Class as usual. In the television room the TV set will spiel out its tale of music, drama and make believe, while the facilities of the game room and music room will be available for all who may care to use them.

The tender strains of that ever popular "April Showers" will set the theme for the dance on Wednesday evening at 2000 hours.

Bob Yeazell and his orchestra will provide the musical setting and the Junior Hostesses will also do their bit to insure the presence of that oft-sought "Happiness Bluebird" the song mentions.

Entertainment with a capital E is sure to be an end product on Thursday evening, when the long awaited High Time Variety Show will be presented.

The spotlight will be on the future Friday evening when the "Wheel of Fortune" spins. Individuals proficient in the arts of foretelling what fate has in store, will display their mystifying talents for all who desire a preview

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