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## TELEPHONE CHANGE-OVER IS FRIDAY

### Industrial Funding System Will Begin at Arsenal May 1

#### Twice Delayed Due To Charter Holdup Fund Is Now Ready

After two-month long postponements, the Army Industrial Fund will go into effect at Redstone starting May 1. Since the arsenal has been ready since last February to proceed with the new system, the charter, granting the authority, was only received this month—a few days too late for the previous April 1 deadline.

An earlier deadline of Mar. 1 had to be postponed for the same reason. The charter had to be okayed by OCO, the Army, the Secretary of Defense, and the Bureau of the Budget.

The transition from the present allotment system to the Fund is expected to be simple, since a "dry run" period has been going on for several months.

Due to technical difficulties which prevented Consolidated Supply from having a "dry run," that Division will stop issue activities from May 1-10 in order to convert its operations to the new system.

For the rest of the arsenal, business will go on as usual. Divisions will have the responsibility of submitting estimates of expenditures, on which the amount of their operating funds will be based. It will be up to the division chiefs to see that these funds are spent in the best interest of the arsenal and the government.

A system of reports and checks will be used to insure the efficient use of both money and personnel. The Fund system is based on (1) a general and cost accounting system and (2) a system of basic management controls.

The original survey for the Fund was started in July, 1953, when a team from Howell & Company, Washington, D. C., arrived at Redstone.

Since then, Redstone personnel have been working with the Howell & Company project officer, Albert R. O'Clare, The Mission Planning and Coordination Office and the Comptroller Office have been the primary representatives from the arsenal.

Other Ordnance installations that have gone under the Fund or that expect to in the near future are Frankford, Sprinfield Army, Watervliet, Rock Island, and Watertown.

#### Maj. Sayers Named Executive for OML

Maj. Frederick Sayers has been assigned as executive in OML, replacing Lt. Col. Charles E. Barrett who left recently to be stationed in Arabia.

The major was previously chief of the Planning Office, OML. His assignments before coming to Redstone in February, 1952, included the Rocket Research and Development office, Washington, D. C., White Sands Proving Ground, N. M., Frankford Arsenal, Pa., and Tokyo, Japan.

He is originally from Albany, N.Y., and is a graduate of Pratt Institute with a degree in industrial and electrical engineering.

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#### Consolidated Supply Will Suspend Issues To Convert to Fund

All material and supply issues will be halted by Consolidated Supply from May 1-10 to give the operation opportunity to convert its operations to the Army Industrial Fund, Harry B. Williamson, chief of the division said.

The only exceptions to this will be emergency cases approved by the executive officer, Williamson said.

"This will give us two weekends and a full work-week to convert to the new system," the supply chief said.

In addition, plans now call for all station accounts (Third Army) to be moved into mission accounts (Ordnance).

A new form, RSA-600, will be used for expendable property requests—which will be considered as Army Industrial Fund items.

Non-expendable, or capital property, will be ordered on Form 446.

Old material request form RSA-65 will no longer be used, Williamson said.

#### PAYNE ANNOUNCES A. F. DAY EVENTS

##### Chairmen Schedule Exhibits, Parade

Joe Payne, 1954 Madison County chairman for Armed Forces Day, has announced the schedule of events for May 15, the date selected for the celebration in Huntsville.

Exhibits will be on display around the Courthouse Square from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. Maj. Troy Dendy, chairman of the exhibits committee, has requested that all organizations wishing to obtain window space contact him at phone 5374 by May 4.

Ceremonies will start with a parade at 10:30 a.m. All organizations planning to join the parade are urged to contact the Chamber of Commerce at phones 524 of 1836 by May 4. Chief Grover Pylant is the parade committee chairman.

Following the parade, a distinguished speaker, to be announced later, will deliver an address at 11 a.m. on the North side of the Courthouse Square.

National Guard units will sponsor a luncheon at noon at the Huntsville Country Club for National Guard officers, Armed Forces Day committee members and distinguished guests.

Open House will be held in the Naval Reserve Armory from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The parade route has been outlined, and will follow the same course as the Armed Forces Day parade in 1953. Forming at the corner of Gates and Franklin streets, the parade will proceed north on Franklin and Washington to Holmes, then west on Holmest to Jefferson, south on Jefferson, and dismiss near the City Hall on Madison.

#### Six From Chicago To Make Inspection

A six-man inspection team from the Field Inspection Office at Chicago will be at Redstone Arsenal from April 26 through May 7 to make the regular annual inspection of arsenal facilities, activities, and personnel, it was announced by Major Edward Long, Redstone Inspector General.

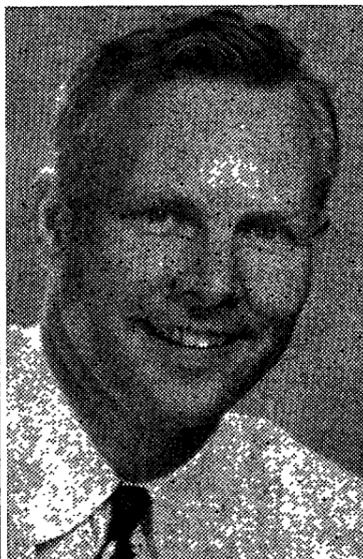
The team is headed by Lt. Col. J. P. Moore, assistant Inspector General from the Chicago office.

Other members who will be here are: Herbert B. Gehrke and Charles A. Simmons, governmental accountants; Paul J. Wimsey, attorney-advisor; David E. Hurst, personnel administrator; and Victor J. Rea, organization and methods examiner.

Some of the things the inspectors will ask about are the mission and organization of divisions and branches, the function, and current trends in operation.

Moore will receive complaints from both military and civilian personnel on Thursday, April 29, between 1:00 and 3:00 p.m.

No punishment in any fashion may be offered individuals for registering an alleged complaint or grievance. This may include a report of waste, fraud, mismanagement or wrongdoing. But all complaints must be based on honest conviction.



DR. M. D. PETERSON

#### Vanderbilt Chemist To Talk on Atoms

Dr. M. D. Peterson, head of the Chemistry Department at Vanderbilt University, will be the guest speaker at a lecture to be given at the Rocket Auditorium at 8:30 a.m. Friday, April 30.

Subject of Dr. Peterson's talk will be "General Applications of Atomic Energy."

Dr. Peterson, a part-time consultant in the rocket field for Redstone Arsenal, was director of the Technical Division of the Oak Ridge National Laboratory. An applied chemistry expert, Dr. Peterson was primarily concerned with the development of new chemical processes associated with nuclear reactors.

While studying for his doctorate at the University of California, Dr. Peterson worked as a teaching fellow in the chemistry department. He earned his bachelor of science degree at Vanderbilt.

He has also worked for the E. I. du Pont de Nemours Company as a research chemist in the ammonia department.

Dr. Peterson accepted the position of consultant for Redstone in October, 1952.

His talk is sponsored by the Rocket Development Laboratory as one of the series of lectures to help inform technical people in the rocket field of different phases of work and problems encountered or overcome.

Dr. Peterson's lecture will be open to all technical personnel who wish to attend. Nothing of a classified nature will be discussed.

#### Forgetful Personnel May Get 'Ticket'

Don't forget that badge in the morning . . . any morning. It may mean that you will get a "ticket" if you do.

Major Harvey Vance, Provost Marshal, said that MP's and guards have been instructed to get the name of any absent-minded employee who tries to get to work without his badge.

A notice of violation on any employee who forgets his badge will be sent to his division chief for any action the chief wishes to take, Maj. Vance said.

"We are not going to treat these cases as security violations," the provost marshal said, "but as careless violations of written regulations."

Maj. Vance said that it was necessary to take this action because some people were becoming more and more careless about

remembering to bring their badges to work. "On some mornings, as many as 20 or 25 persons have had to wait in line at one gate to get temporary passes, because they had forgotten their badges," he said.

#### BETTER SERVICE PROMISED USERS

##### Central Controls, More Cables Added

Redstone's streamlined, new telephone system will be "cut in" at 10 p.m. this Friday night, according to the Signal Officer, Major Hugh (Tex) Peabody.

General Vincent will pull the switch.

Mrs. Burmah Lee, chief operator, will make the first telephone call.

"We figure you'll get about 200 per cent better phone service than before," Major Peabody said. Here's why:

Instead of two central offices, there'll be one.

18,000 feet of new feeder cable have been added.

There'll be 800 new telephones in outlying areas with power boosters in them.

There'll be seven new lines to Huntsville with 15 more lines scheduled soon. This will make 40 Huntsville lines compare to 18 lines now.

All numbers will be four digits. There'll be no busy signals when you dial "5" or "3" numbers. In fact there won't be any 5 or 3 numbers. They'll all be 2 or 3.

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And we'll be eternally rid of those all-alike 3-21312343213432-3124 numbers.

In all, some 2500 phones will be in operation with the cut-over, Major Peabody said.

The new central office will be located in a building at the corner of Patton and Martin Roads. It's the new telephone building.

M/Sgt. Robert W. Heiser, Redstone wire chief, deserves special recognition for the valuable services he rendered in installing the new telephone system, Major Peabody said. "In the absence of the Signal Officer, Sergeant Heiser supervised all the activities of the complicated installation work," Major Peabody said. "This included cable work and inside installations. His ability, perseverance, and ingenuity in performing these tasks were outstanding."

The completely new telephone system took one-and-a-half years to complete.

Among those expected to attend the cut-over ceremonies, which will be in the new central office, will be: Gen. Vincent; Col. A. R. Morley, Third Army Signal Officer; M/Sgt. E. J. Anderson, administrative NCO who was Col. Morley's chief clerk in the Caribbean; Lt. Col. Charles A. Butler, chief of Communications Division, Third Army Signal Office. Maj. Leonard C. Hester, Lt. Robert E. Bailey, and Bernard Simonson, all from the Office of the Chief of Signal, Department of the Army, Washington, D. C.

Lt. Ralph Featherstone, Plant Engineering Agency, Washington, D. C.; Mayor R. B. Searcy of Huntsville; and Mr. C. H. Gordon, manager of the Huntsville telephone exchange.

Major Peabody will leave the next day after the ceremony for Texas and Hawaii.

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## SUPERS' TRAINING LAUDED

BY BRIG. GEN. THOMAS K. VINCENT

The Supervisors Development Training Course was started here to assist our first and second line supervisors in becoming better leaders and to improve their own work by developing better understanding of the workers under them.

I recently had the opportunity to read a letter from Mr. Joe Wear, one of our foremen in the Fabrication Laboratory, GMDD, who had just finished the one-week course in supervisory development. He took it on himself to write down his own impressions as to the value of this program.

I think that it is a good and honest expression of something I believe we may all profit by remembering. To the Training School:

"I was in training from March 15 to March 19 and I enjoyed every bit of it. I think that it is a good thing for everyone to have the opportunity to attend this school. You have everything to gain and nothing to lose.

"What gives you the recommendation to buy any product offered for sale? Doesn't the good recommendation of someone you respect help build your own confidence? We have experienced that right here on the arsenal. We buy cars every now and then—as you would naturally suppose. We hear so much about a certain make from our friends, that we finally buy one—and we like it just as much as we hoped we would.

"Perhaps we couldn't have bought the car if it had not been for the good recommendation others had given it. Very likely you have had the same thing happen to you. Yes, one of the great buying motives is positive proof of satisfaction from a happy user.

"I have heard so much about that foreman that I would like to work for him—or would I?

"Let every foreman conduct himself in a way that the employe will be proud of him. It can be done.

"A man would often walk a mile To work for a man with a smile.

(Signed) Joe G. Wear"



MISS PATRICIA STUTTS

## Patricia Stutts Is Class Valedictorian

Miss Patricia Stutts, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse W. Stutts, Jr., is the valedictorian for the Huntsville High School graduating class this year.

Miss Stutts' father is the assistant chief of the Civilian Personnel Division at the arsenal.

During her high school career, Miss Stutts has maintained a scholastic average of 93.17.

She's been active as editor-in-chief of the Pierian, the yearbook for Huntsville High and president of the National Honor Society. An accomplished pianist, Miss Stutts also received a superior rating in the band clinic held last year.

Her scholastic rating didn't begin with her high school work. During her grammar school days, Miss Stutts maintained a straight A average.

Among the other activities in which she took part, she was vice-president of the Tri-Hi-Y, a member of the Spanish, Dramatics, Band and Glee Clubs, the National Thespian Society, Quill and Scroll (journalism), and a member of the staff of the Red and Blue the Huntsville High School paper.

Next year, she plans to enroll at Vanderbilt University with a major in chemistry.

## FIVE MAN COMMISSION STARTS SEARCH FOR AIR ACADEMY SITE

Washington (AFPS)—The five-man Site Selection Commission for the Air Force Academy has begun its difficult task by announcing the major factors which it will consider.

The members of the commission as announced by the Air Force are: Merrill C. Meigs, vice president of the Hearst Corp.; Virgil M. Hancher, president of the University of Iowa; Gen. Carl A. Spaatz, USAF, (Ret.) first Air Force Chief of Staff; Lt. Gen. Hubert R. Harmon, USAF, special assistant to the Chief of Staff for Air Force Academy matters and Brig. Gen. Charles A. Lindbergh, USAFR.

If the Site Selection Commission makes a unanimous report, the site named must be accepted by the Secretary of the Air Force according to law. Otherwise, he must select a site from among the first three recommended.

The major factors to be considered are:

1.— acreage. An estimated 15,000 acres are required for a four-year academic and flying training program.

2.—Topography. Natural beauty of the site will be considered since the Air Academy will become a national monument as are West Point and Annapolis. Level ground suitable for a modern flying field is also required.

3.—Community Aspects. Consideration will be given to the character and variety of local institutions such as schools, churches and cultural and recreational facilities.

4.—Climate. A four-seasonal climate without extremes is desired.

5.—Water Supply. It is estimated that 3,000,000 gallons a day will be required.

6.—Utilities. Electric power and natural gas or other fuel will be required.

7.—Transportation. Since persons will come from all parts of the country, consideration will be given to rail, air and highway connections.

8.—Cost. The costs of buying the

land, preparing it for use, or moving existing installations, or preparing access roads, railroad spurs, etc., will be considered.

9.—Flying Training. Consideration will be to the extent to which other air traffic will interfere with flying training. Both observer and pilot training will be included in the course of instruction.

## KOREAN KIDS ON TOUR

New York (AFPS) — Twenty-four Korean orphans—the Korean Children's Choir—will stage a nation-wide tour sponsored by the American - Korean Foundation. The choir, which has entertained thousands of American servicemen in the Far East, will make a special visit to the White House.



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### TFSO NEWS

Spring has sprung and summer is here from the looks of the sun-burned faces in our Division. Any of you gals who want the secret to a good tan I would strongly suggest you see Mr. Patt for the desired results.

Skating anyone? Eleven people

from TFSO enjoyed the roller skating party last Friday night at the Rocket City Roller Rink. Those of us who could skate enjoyed helping those who were less fortunate with their skating abilities. Some of us are still carrying the results of this party around with us.

It will be appreciated if anyone having an original and sophisticated joke will please send it to Ben Lindeman or Buck Bradley, c/o TFSO, Bldg. A-120. But remember is must have these two specifications—originality and sophistication!

New York and back to Huntsville, Ala., in Willy's automobile. Unbelievable? It happened (but with the aid of an airplane from Chattanooga to the large city). No trick to it at all.

Open house for TFSO's snail aquarium is from 0630 to 0800 in the morning, and if you aren't an early riser, Mr. Tom Yarbrough will be glad to conduct a tour during his lunch hour. No admission charges.

Another newcomer has come to work in TFSO . . . Mr. Walter Gibson of Nashville, Tenn. Mr. Gibson is a mathematician. We all

welcome you all to our Division.

### TECH & ENGR DIV Anne Baucom

Well, here we are again to report on the happenings in T & E. Have you noticed how different Mr. Jeff Adams looks in civilian clothes. Our Ex-Lt. certainly has some snazzy shirts.

We heard that Mr. Kernachan had a bit of trouble on his last TDY trip. He was to catch the plane at 10:00 a.m. with Ragan, the driver, left with Mr. Kernachan at 9:15. When they got out on Whitesburg Drive, the car had a flat tire, but Ragan managed to hitch Mr. Kernachan a ride instead. That was a close call wasn't it, Mr. K.?

Rebecca Young is sporting a very pretty diamond ring these days. The lucky fellow, who gave it to her, is Walter Austin.

John Blackstone took off Friday for Birmingham. In case you are wondering why, — it was to get married.

We are sorry to lose Betty Krotzer, Joan Agar, Pat Call and T. D. Cantrell. Betty is leaving to go to her husband, who was discharged from the Army. Joan is going to White Sands, where her husband is being stationed. Pat left to become a mother and T. D. transferred to GMDD.

If you have noticed Nell Gordy in Dr. Schilling's Office, it's because she is taking over the job vacated by Betty Krotzer.

The reason for T & E being so quiet lately is that Ruth Cox has lost her voice. Mamie Fisher said she thought she would hide Ruth's medicine so she couldn't find it. I bet Ruth's husband is getting a good rest.

We are all sorry to hear that Mr. Harry Vincent is a patient at the Huntsville Hospital. Best wishes for a speedy recovery, Mr. Vincent.

Mr. Robert Haraway is the proud father of a baby girl. She has been named Marian Jane.

We would like to welcome the new employes to T & E. They are Ruth Taylor, a transfer from FSD, and Amos Bogel, both of Mechanical Br., and Ed Messer and Harvey Miller of Electronic Branch. Projects Branch has a new officer. He is First Lieutenant R. L. Walthour. Happy to have you folks with us.

Well, since I have run out of news and time, I will close for now.

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## Optimist Horse Show Is Set for Thursday

Four arsenal employees are working on plans for the third annual horse show sponsored by the Huntsville Optimist Club to be held at 7 p.m. April 29 at Optimist Park. All proceeds go to carry out the club slogan, "A friend of the boy."

The club helps a boy through Alabama Polytechnic Institute, and raises funds for the project through the horse shows.

The men from Redstone who are club members are E. Witt Compton of the Post Engineer, William R. Henry of Mission Planning and Coordination office, Jeff Darwin of Small Business, and G. B. Burnett of the Resident Engineer office.

Tickets will be on sale at the office of Tom Jones, Jr., in Huntsville.

## Chaffee Downs Ord For Army Net Title

Ft. Lewis, Wash. (AFPS) — Camp Chaffee, Ark., Fourth Army basketball titlists, wrapped up the 1954 All-Army basketball championship with a 87-79 victory over Ft. Ord, Calif., here.

It was the second time Camp Chaffee defeated Ft. Ord, Sixth Army champ, in the double-elimination tournament.

Other participants in the five-day tournament were: Camp Kilmer, N. J., First Army; Aberdeen Proving Ground, Md.; Second Army; Camp Gordon, Ga., Third Army; Ft. Leonard Wood, Mo., Fifth Army; Ft. Belvoir, Va., Military District of Washington, D. C.; Western Area Command, U. S. Army Europe and the Hawaiian Musketeers, U. S. Army Pacific.

Camp Chaffee was the Army representative in the Interservice basketball tournament held at Great Lakes Naval Training Center, Ill., April 14-15.

## Name New Ball Field Win Three Day Pass

A three day pass will be the prize extended to the soldier who submits the winning name of the new post baseball field according to Sgt. Frank Ponton of Special Services.

In order to have a sign erected on the field displaying the name in time for the first game of the season on May 5, the contest deadline will be May 3. Entries should be addressed to the Post Special Service officer.

All types of entries are encouraged whether they be names in honor of some Third Army hero or simply an unobtrusive designation such as "Rocket Field."

## Bragg Boxers Win Third Army Bouts

A battling Ft. Bragg boxing team took first place in the Third Army Boxing Tournament with a total of 30 points, followed by Ft. Benning with 21 points.

Redstone's small squad placed seventh, with one point, ahead of only one team, Camp Gordon.

Ft. Jackson took third place in the meet with 16 points, followed by Campbell, 15 points; Rucker, 14 points and Stewart, 2 points.

## ATHLETE OF THE WEEK



**ACE HURLER**—Uncorking a slow curve is "Athlete of the Week" Don Miller, RSA's ace hurler. Miller, who also helped quarterback the Redstone footballers last fall, will see action on the diamond this year as pitcher and first baseman.

## PITCHING STAR MILLER GETS NOD AS REDSTONE 'ATHLETE OF WEEK'

Starting pitcher, relief hurler, able first baseman, and much relied upon batsman—these titles will be used frequently this baseball season to describe Corporal Don Miller, "Athlete of the Week."

Don was Redstone's mainstay moundsman last year but he did not allow his pitching chores to prevent him from belting his share of team horse-hide past the opposition.

This year Captain Schoenman, team manager, starting pitcher Miller as a starting alternator and first baseman, but his assortment of curves and fast balls will often be called upon for relief work in stopping rival hitters.

Don's versatility doesn't end with baseball, however. He was one of the quarterbacks on the arsenal football team last season. Giving his accurate right arm a rest, he gained impressive yardage with sneaks and plunges on two speedy legs.

Starting his baseball career at Amhurst Central High School in his hometown of Buffalo, New York, he learned the rudiments of the game and found that a good pitching arm is just as well liked by coaches as a big bat. As a standout in basketball and football he recalls many unusual and amusing experiences but his favorite thrill is attributed to his favorite sport. "We were getting ready to take the field against our old time rival, Williamsville High, a tough opponent any year but this particular season—a real powerhouse. I was very nervous when told to start, but with a lot of luck and some hot fielding by my teammates, I go my first no-hitter."

That same year Don won eight other games for Amhurst, leading them to a record of 21 victories, the largest record of wins in the

school's history. On the high school gridiron, Don also proved himself invaluable. As captain and playmaker for the Amhurst eleven in his senior year, he piloted the team through its first undefeated season.

But it was his work on the baseball diamond that won him a scholarship to Fordham University.

At Fordham, Don managed to hold down a weighty academic schedule as a sociology major and also play four years of competitive college baseball. He made a startling pitching debut with the Fordham varsity in his sophomore year by shutting out a determined Princeton club till the ninth inning when they picked up one run. His senior year hurling record of six wins—two losses and his power at the plate helped greatly in enabling the Fordham squad to travel to Penn State for the NCAA playoffs.

Don's college summers were spent pitching for the Galt-Terrions, a semi-pro club in Ontario, Canada. He continued playing for them after graduation from Fordham until the army called him in August of 1952.

Basic training and clerk-typist school at Camp Breckenridge filled out the first 16 weeks of his army career. From Camp Breckenridge he came to Redstone where he is working as a clerk-typist at Test Supply in Plants Area No. 1 in the morning and practicing baseball for Special Services in the afternoon.

After his discharge in August, Don plans to continue his baseball career with the Detroit Tiger's farm club in Buffalo. But right now he is busy working out on the mound and at the plate for Redstone, doing well in disproving the old theory, "pitchers can't hit."

## Volleyball Finals Slated for Thursday

The company level volleyball tournament will go into final play-offs Thursday evening in the Huntsville Armory, announced Sgt. Ralph Glendening of Special Services Athletics last week.

The first game will be played at 7 p.m. and the second at 8 p.m. The 2nd ETD and 9330 TSU are, at press time, the remaining holders of the undefeated niches in the league.

## PREPARED FOR BATTLE

Heavyweight champion Rocky Marciano, seated, and Ezzard Charles, former champion, are given physical examinations by Dr. Vincent Nardiello, N. Y. State Athletic Commission physician. Both fighters will meet at Yankee Stadium in New York, June 17, to battle it out for the heavyweight crown.



## Jaycees Are Pushing Golf Ticket Sales

Many arsenal employees are buying advanced tickets for the Municipal Gold Course, to be opened here sometime in July, Paul McClung, Management Office, said.

The advanced tickets, good for one full year, sell for \$37.50, McClung said. Ten dollar tickets are also on sale. By buying the ticket in advance, a golfer will get \$15 worth of playing.

Both the ten dollar and \$37.50 ticket sales will stop when the course is open, McClung said. After that, the prices will go up considerably.

The Huntsville Jaycees are sponsoring the advanced sale for the City Council. There are about 40 Jaycees working at Redstone, all of whom will sell advanced tickets to employes on request.

The course, located near the Huntsville-Madison County Airport, will be open about July 1-15. Over \$800 worth of advanced tickets have already been sold.

## GI Recreation Cost Only \$8 Per Year

HEADQUARTERS 3RD ARMY Ft. McPherson, Ga., — For only eight dollars a year, the Third Army has had the use of service clubs, entertainment, arts and crafts programs, a huge sports program, and countless theaters in the Army area.

According to a statement issued by Lt. Gen. A. R. Bolling, Third Army Commanding General, and a survey report by the Special Services Section, over 21 million service men and women in the Army Area participated in these varied programs at a cost of \$8.01 per person to the Army and to the taxpayer.

During the past calendar year, the average daily activity totaled 59,641 service personnel taking part in the scheduled activities.

For the whole year the breakdown went like this: over five million men attended service clubs, 711,460 were treated to soldier shows and other musical entertainment, over one hundred thousand enjoyed the facilities of the arts and crafts programs, and five million relaxed in theatre armchairs in the various installations.

Over two and one half million

men used the libraries and library music rooms at Third Army reservations, and nearly seven million used their extra curricular time to enjoy the many sports programs available. With all this, the overall administration costs were less than a penny a participant.

## K-VETS ON CAMPUS

Washington (AFPS) — Veterans Administration officials report that 145,000 veterans enrolled in college last year under the K-Vet Bill.

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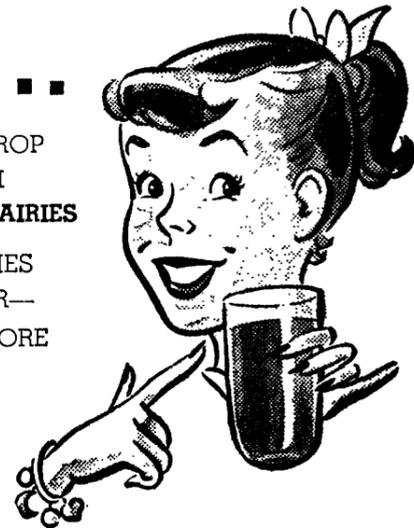
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**ALABAMA MEDAL OF HONOR WINNER JUST 'HAPPENED TO BE UP THERE'**

Seoul, Korea (AFPS) — Sfc. Ola L. Mize of Gadsden, Ala., left here April 17 to receive the Medal of Honor in the ZI for what officers of the 3rd Inf. Div. call the greatest one-man action they ever heard of.

"I just happened to be up there when the attack came," said the shy 22-year-old platoon sergeant. "I didn't have time to be scared or anything."

Mize was speaking of his heroic 14-hour battle last June on a forlorn Korean hill dubbed "Outpost Harry" where he killed more than 65 Communist soldiers.

On the night of June 10, 1953, in the vicinity of Surang-ni, Sfc. Mize had moved through an enemy barrage to rescue a wounded soldier in a forward listening post. What happened after that was told by Pvt. Allan K. England, a member of Mize's unit.

"I was a member of Co. K, 15th Inf. Regt., said Pvt. England. "At approximately 9:30 p.m. we were attacked by a large enemy force. Sgt. Mize, my assistant platoon sergeant, joined my position about 10:15 p.m., after he had brought a wounded man in from a listening post.

**Weapons Don't Fire**

"Finding that none of our weapons were functioning, he took up a position at the bunker entrance. Coming up the trench, he threw a grenade into their midst and slowed the initial attack.

"The enemy began pouring into the trench. Sgt. Mize stood alone at the bunker entrance killing them with accurate carbine fire as they came. Two of the men in the bunker were reloading his expended ammo clips. Within a 10-minute period, he was blown back into the bunker twice by artillery explosions. But he got up and continued to fight.

**Mize Surprised**

"Once as he was putting a fresh clip into his carbine the enemy rushed his position. He reloaded just in time to stop them. One of the enemy fell at his feet, dropping a concussion grenade. The explosion knocked Sgt. Mize down. He was stunned but got up and continued to fight, killing a great number of them.

"About midnight, the ammo supply got low and we left for the command post. We counted about 40 of the enemy lying dead around the bunker. On the way to the CP he killed about five more.

"He set up a barricade at the CP. The enemy began attacking in waves. Sgt. Mize ran from man to man, passing out ammo, encouraging us and directing the defense fire. He killed about 25 or 30 of the enemy, exposing himself in order to fire and throw grenades. It is my firm belief," said Pvt. England, "that while I was with him, Sgt. Mize killed at least 65 to 70 of the enemy."

**Mize Saves Buddy**

When the enemy onslaughts ceased Sgt. Mize moved from bunker to bunker, firing through the apertures at the enemy. An enemy soldier stepped out behind an



SFC. OLA L. MIZE

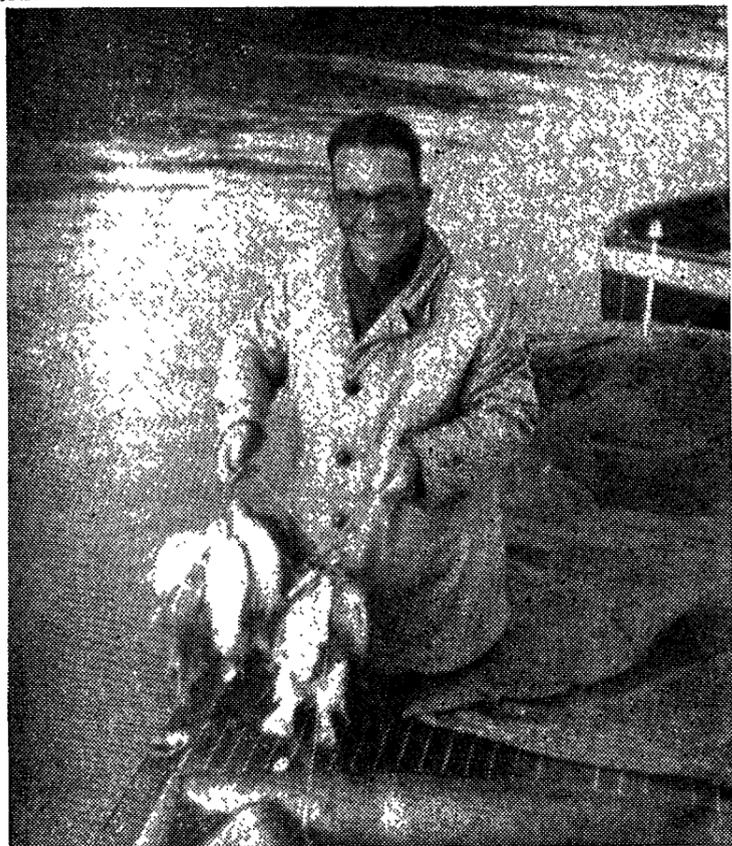
American and prepared to fire. Mize killed the fore, saving his comrade's life.

He then led a counter-attack on a machine gun position that had been overrun, killing 10 more of the enemy, and dispersing the rest.

Fighting back to the CP, he took a position to defend the wounded he had rescued. He later secured a radio and directed artillery fire on the enemy approach routes. At dawn, he helped organize a counterattack which drove the enemy from the strategically important outpost.

Sfc. Mize is the 70th Medal of Honor winner to be announced by

the Army for the fighting in Korea.



**HAPPY CATCH**—William C. Sayre, legal officer, holds the day's limit of crappie caught in the Tennessee Rives. Sayre and a fishing companion, both members of the new Rocket City Sportsmen Club, spent seven days fishing the river. They started at the Madison County Boat Harbor and worked their way upstream, stopping to fish at selected spots, until they reached Coon Creek, about 15 miles above Scottsboro. Sayre reported catching the limit every day.

**AMMUNITION DIVISION**

BY EDITH CRIBBS

We are sorry that M. J.H. Hyer and Mr. Ernest Baucom have been on the sick list for the past two weeks. We welcome them back to work this week and glad they are well.

Mr. C. M. Mohr is on TDY this week. Mack went to Ravenna, O. Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Bock visited

Birmingham during Easter.

Mr. Ellis Merritt and Al Graves went on a fishing trip Thursday. This could be another one of those fish tales, but Mr. Merritt said they caught sixty fish.

Grace Bailes and daughter Gene are planning a trip to Georgia this week.

Chloe Walling, daughter of Mrs. Irene Walling, Storage Branch, has made her mother very happy. Chloe is a Cub Scout and entered a contest to sell cookies for the Girl Scouts. The Scout selling the most cookies in the county, won a camping trip for a week. Chloe sold more cookies than anyone in the county.

We were real surprised to learn that we have a jack-of-all-trades at A-156. One morning recently Doris Smith, Stock Records Clerk, was missing from her desk and after inquiring around we learned that Doris was down at the rocket auditorium taking a conference dictation. We just didn't know Doris had so many talents.

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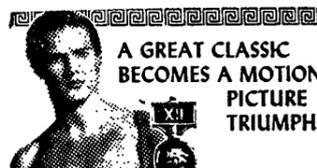


Chief Machinist's Mate Eldon Cook, USN, is holding an extremely rare snake mackerel. He has turned the specimen over to the American Museum of Natural History in New York. Museum technicians said that this is the third snake mackerel brought to their attention in 31 years. The Chief hooked the 29½-inch fish while trolling at night from the destroyer escort USS Edward H. Allen when the ship was halfway between Haiti and Cuba. He used a white feather lure to catch the unusual fish, biologically known as *gempylus serpens*.

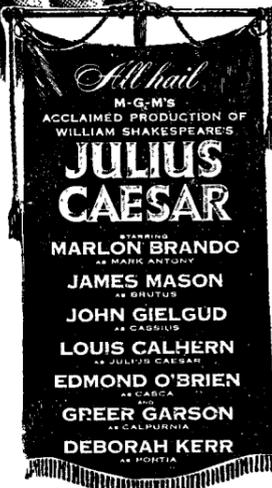
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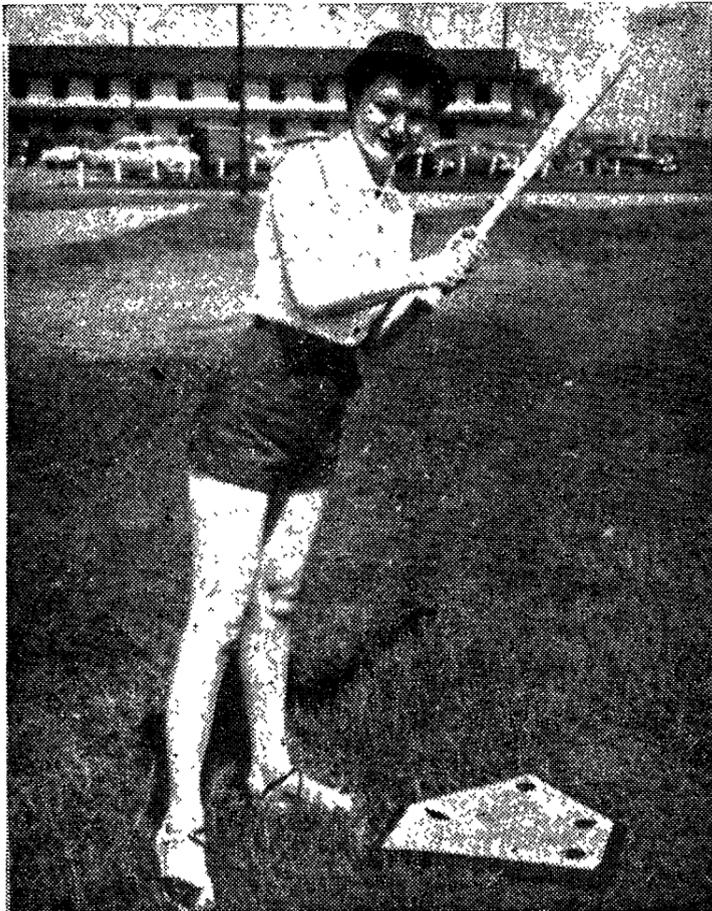
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**KOREA'S UNKNOWN SOLDIERS TO BE BURIED AT HONOLULU CEMETERY**

HEADQUARTER 3RD ARMY, Ft. McPherson, Ga. — The unidentified remains of United States servicemen who lost their lives during the military operations in Korea will be permanently interred in the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific, at Honolulu, Hawaii, according to information received by Lieutenant General A. R. Bolling, Commanding General, Third Army, from the Department of Defense. A directive issued by Secretary of Defense Charles E. Wilson assigns to the Department of the Army the operational responsibility for the preparation, casketing, transportation, and final interment of these remains, and

provides for coordination with Department of the Navy and Department of the Air Force in planning, developing, and execution of the program.

At the present time the unidentified remains of servicemen who lost their lives in Korea are being held at the U. S. Army's Identification Laboratory at Kokura, Japan. These remains were recovered from the Southern regions of the Korea Peninsula where teams of the American Graves Registration Service have been able to conduct search operations. It is anticipated that about 700 eventually may have to be declared unidentifiable and removed to Hawaii for burial as unknowns.

The work of identification now in progress at the Kokura Laboratory is necessarily time-consuming, since every known scientific identification technique is applied to each case before a final determination is made that the remains cannot be individually identified. Additional search of former combat areas, now inaccessible to United States personnel, is also necessary for completion of the case investigations. Because of these factors it is expected that the removal of the remains of unknowns to Hawaii probably will not begin before 1955.

The American Graves Registration Service expects to recover additional remains from North Korea at such time as the Military Armistice Commission establishes the conditions under which search operations in former combat North Korean areas may be conducted. Any of the remains

**Arsenal Attorneys Are Seminar Guests**

Attorneys from the arsenal Legal Office and one from Purchasing and Contracting attended a Legal Seminar last week by special invitation from the Huntsville Bar Association. The meetings were held in the ball room of the Russel Erskine Hotel in Huntsville.

Francis X. Bush, famous trial attorney, conducted the Seminar during one session and discussed trial technics, direct and cross examination of witnesses, and selection of jurors. Another speaker on the program was Judge J. Russell McElroy, Alabama Circuit judge, who spoke on "Laws of Evidence in the State of Alabama." The judge is the author of a book on "Evidence in Alabama."

Those attending from Redstone

**Engineers to Hear Talk on Color TV**

The Huntsville Section of the Institute of Radio Engineers will hear L. E. Rawls present a program on color television April 30.

The meeting will be held at 7:30 in Nashville at the Nashville Electric Service Company, at Church and 13th Streets.

Rawls, who is with WSM-TV, will supplement his talk on color

were William Sayre, Reginald Pippin, Miss Emily Brawner, Hardy Jackson and Roger Cole.

"Four-thirty!" gasped the draftee. "Man, you better get to bed! We got a big day tomorrow!"

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hereafter recovered which cannot be individually identified will also be permanently interred in the Hawaii Cemetery.

The plan to bury the unknown Americans from the Korean conflict in the Hawaii Cemetery follows a precedent set following World War II, when the remains of 2,001 unknowns from the Pacific Theater were buried there. The unknowns from Korea will also join the 216 identified dead of the Korean conflict who have been returned to Hawaii and interred in the National Cemetery at the request of their next of kin.

Following World War I, the remains of 1,647 unidentified dead were permanently interred in the eight United States military cemeteries in Europe. One symbolic unknown of that was returned to the United States and interred in the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, in Arlington National Cemetery, on Armistice Day, 1921.

Approximately 8,350 unknowns of World War II have been similarly interred in overseas national and military cemeteries in Europe, North Africa, the Republic of the Philippines, Hawaii, Alaska and Puerto Rico. The return for interment in Arlington National Cemetery of a symbolic serviceman of World War II is provided for in Public Law 429, 79th Congress, but plans to carry out the provisions of this law have been temporarily suspended in view of the existing international conditions.

The disposition of identified remains is made in conformance with the wishes of the next of kin.

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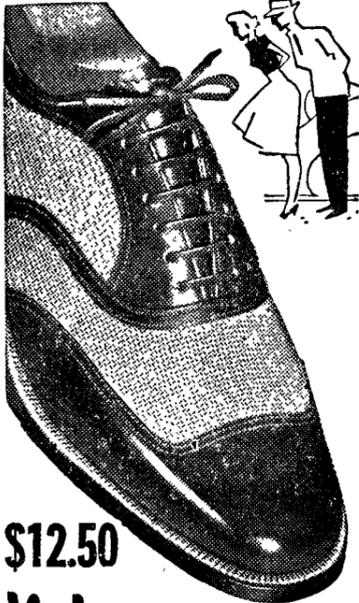
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television with slides. The group will tour the facilities of WSM-TV following the meeting.

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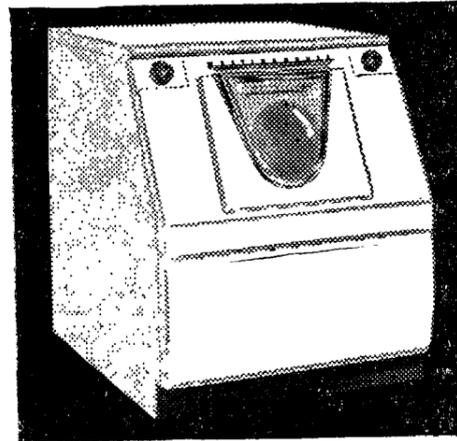
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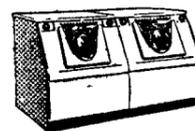
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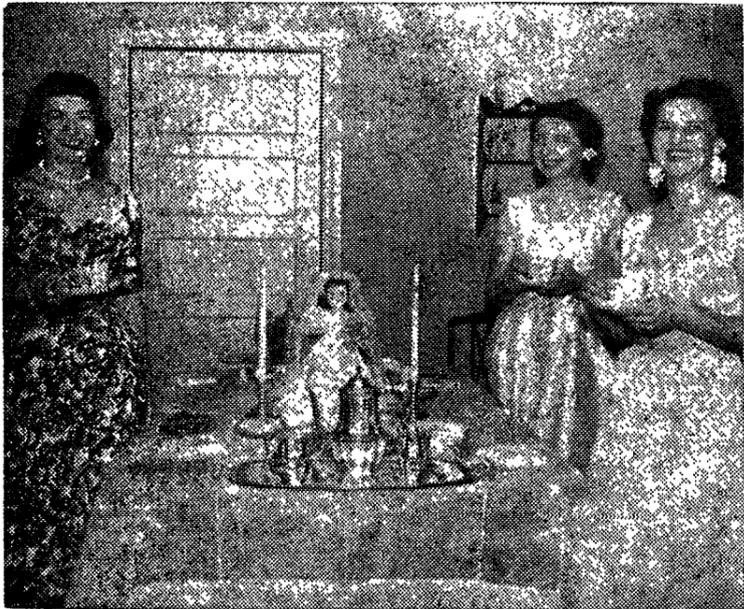
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**TEA HONORS MISS TOFTOY**—Miss Doris Toftoy, left, was the guest of honor at a tea and miscellaneous shower given by Mrs. James P. Snooks, Jr. (right) at her home on the arsenal on April 16. The bride-elect's mother, Mrs. H. N. Toftoy, is on the right of the tea table back of Mrs. Snooks. (Photo by Gil Edelstein)

**Club Members to Enter Local Show**

Members of the Redstone Garden Club voted to join the Madison County Horticultural Society, and to enter the second annual show sponsored by the Society. The show will be held from 3 to 9 p.m. on May 12, and from 2 to 5 p.m. on May 13 at the First Methodist Church in Huntsville.

Each club must enter one arrangement for a buffet table decoration and one niche arrangement. Any other entries may be made, all in the novice class.

The April meeting of the club was held on the 20th at the home of Mrs. William Baker, 311 S. Lincoln St., Huntsville, with Mrs. W. A. Cobb as the guest speaker. "Flower Conditioning" was the topic of Mrs. Cobb's talk. She explained that flowers should be cut in the evening and immediately placed in water to stay overnight before attempting to arrange them. Salt or vinegar may

be added to the water, depending on the type of flowers.

When one is ready to make a flower arrangement, the blossoms will be in good condition from the overnight stay in water, and the task of arranging should be approached in a relaxed manner. "Don't be afraid of the flowers when you start arranging," Mrs. Cobb said.

The guest speaker also gave a list of books for members to consult on gardening. She suggested that they visit potteries in the area to find suitable and economical containers for their arrangements.

Mrs. Baker served coffee, cookies and sandwiches to the 12 members who attended the April meeting. The May meeting will be on the third Tuesday, the 18th, at the home of Mrs. Theodore Ebbert on the arsenal.

**PERSONALS**

The Redstone Handicraft Club met April 23 at the home of Mrs. Theodore Ebbert.

Six Texas A. and M. former students attended the annual Muster held April 21 at the home of Capt. Joseph Hinesley.

There will be a business meeting of the Officers Wives Club of Redstone Arsenal at 9 a.m. April 27 at the Officers' Open Mess.

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**ROHM AND HAAS COMPANY**

BY JAMES CARSON

Noble Jahnke returned from Boston, Mass., where he spent a few days with his wife during her recent illness and operation. We are glad to hear that she is getting along fine and will be home soon. We also hear that Noble is getting to be a culinary expert these days. How are those frozen chicken dinners, Nobel?

Thanks to the Maintenance Shop and all the people who contributed plants, we now have a very nice flower stand in the lobby of Gorgas Lab.

We have added Mrs. Doris Hus to our reporting staff. Thanks for the nice long contribution sheet for our report, Doris.

We hear that Julie Parker had an encounter with some form of wild life here in the R & H area the other day. Careful there, Julie!!

Don Baker is now seeing things from a new angle. The new glasses he is sporting are very distinguished looking—you might even mistake Don for a college professor.

Looks like the LOVE BUG has Joyce Owens in its clutches (or is it Ed Sizer?). Joyce is resigning April 30, and will be married sometime in May. Congratulations and gaiety to the scene. The mutations, and the very best of everything to you, Joyce.

A slightly belated "Welcome back" to Edna Fenn of Payroll & Accounting, who underwent a tonsillectomy a few days ago. Glad you are back, Edna.

A hearty welcome to Betty Gorman of Huntsville, who has joined our Accounting Department. Betty is replacing Dot Clark, formerly with the Accounting Department, and now secretary to Mr. Adams in the Engineering Department.

Eileen Morrison of Engineering resigned a few days ago to await a visit from the stork. Good luck to you, Eileen.

A surprise birthday party was given Ann Smelley of Chemistry Section last week. Those attending the party were Dot White, Willie Mae Dearing, Bill Brown, Buddy Curry, Tom Melton, and Julie Parker.

Congratulations to Dr. and Mrs. Jerry Freeman, who have a baby boy, Thomas Michael, born on April 14, 1954, and weighing 8 pounds, 7 ounces.

A wish of good luck to Richard Cahill who is resigning April 23, to take a job in Summit, New Jersey. Au revoir, Richard.

Bob Lumpkin will be off a few days to undergo a tonsillectomy. Hurry back, Bob, we miss you, Buddy!

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Banks Warren, who have a new baby girl, Deborah Susan, born April 20, weighing 6 pounds, 9½ ounces.

We hear that Sue Criscoe is becoming quite good at frog gigging. When are you going to bring us some fried frog legs, Sue?

A hearty welcome to Mr. Phillips A. Dodd, who will work with the Rocket Development Group. Mr. Dodd comes to us from Southern Technical Institute, Chamber, Ga.

A wish of good luck to Jack Waite, who is transferring to OGML here on the arsenal. We are all going to miss you, Jack.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Charles McEwen, who have a baby boy, William Thomas, born April 9, 1954, weighing 9 pounds, 2 ounces.

Our condolence to Mrs. Lavonne Matthews on the recent loss of her uncle who passed away last week.

Happy birthday to Pat Schwarz on her 16th (plus). She would not say which one.

**LIBRARY NEWS**  
BY ANNA L. FARRAR  
Librarian

New books added to the library collection:

- Pierre Boileu, The Woman Who Was No More.
- Louis Bromfield, A New Pattern for a Tired World.
- Alfred Coppel, Hero Driver.
- Pamela Hill, The King's Vixen.
- Emmett Kelly, Clown.
- Emily Kimbrough, Forty Plus and Fancy Free.
- Harold Lamb, Charlemagne.
- Lawrence Lariar, You've Got Me in Stitches.
- Norah Lofts, Bless This House.
- Jule Mannix, Adventure Happy.
- Roger Peyrefitte, Diplomatic Diversions.
- Margery Sharp, Gypsy in the Parlor.
- Victor White, Peter Domanig in America: Steel.
- Frances Winwar, The Last Love of Camille.

**SERVICE CLUB ACTIVITIES**

BY BOB KURTZ

The entertaining events scheduled for the week at the Service Club once again follow a pattern of variety that should tempt everyone who seeks a way to alleviate the condition or an otherwise boring existence.

If you are among those who enjoy a good bridge game with all the incumbent heavy duty thinking, then you had best get in on the bridge tournament that will be held at the Service Club on Tuesday evening. The tournament is of the Duplicate Hand Contract type which should try even the most experienced bridge player. However, if you do not believe yourself capable of competing with the entrants but still enjoy bridge, why not play spectator and possibly pick up a few pointers on the game.

Wednesday evening at 2000 hours Bob Yeazell and his orchestra will open the weekly dance with the playing of the theme song selected for the evening, "I'll Remember April." Naturally they will not stop there but will continue to fill the air with danceable music which demands attention. It is hoped that climactic conditions will allow the dancing to take place on the patio. If this is the case, the decorations provided will be augmented by the romantic presence of the stars and possibly a moon to say nothing of the atmosphere created by such a combination.

The following evening Redstone Arsenal is in for a treat as the members of the renowned Oakwood College Choir lift their voices in song for your entertainment. This group, under the able direction of Mr. Samuel Jackson, will present a program of music based mainly upon Negro spirituals and Early Americana, starting at 2030 hours.

The fight world as visited through the medium of television will be the main attraction on Friday evening, however, other programs will also be shown.

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**CORRECTION, PLEASE**

A story in the April 13 issue of this paper concerning the installation of air condition units at several spots on the arsenal mentioned that the units were based on a 15-degree temperature differentiation.

According to a representative of Post Engineer Division, this is incorrect. The systems are based on an 80-degree inside temperature. The PE representative also said that it was not stated by that division that a temperature difference greater than 15 degrees could possibly cause strain on a weak heart.

to life on the TV screen, as the Hit Parade and Show of Shows, to mention a couple of the entertaining programs scheduled for Saturday evening bring laughter, sic room, game room and lounge will also be at your disposal to say nothing of the complete record collection newly catalogued for convenience.

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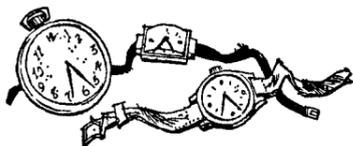
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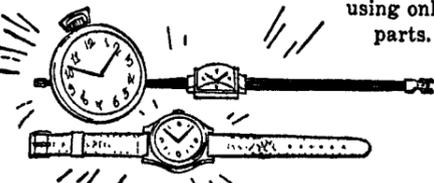
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BY HELEN REED

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"We worked hard, long hours, six days a week, but we worked in shifts, so between our working hours, we played tennis on a court back of the Signal Office, took care of a little vegetable garden that had been planted by some of the enlisted men of the division and even built a fish pond, lined with concrete on which each employe wrote his name. Fed the pheasants that belonged to Col. Carroll D. Hudson, which he kept in a large cage in the wooded area immediately behind the Signal Office. Such seemed to relieve the minds of

personnel with loved ones fighting overseas and to relieve the tension brought on by the war.

These are some of the recollections of Mrs. A. L. (Elizabeth) Esslinger, secretary of Maj. Hugh D. Peabody, post signal officer.

For the first five years at Redstone, she kept a diary and scrap book telling of all arsenal events complete with pictures when they were available.

"Those were the days of the mounted guards. Col. Hudson, the commanding officer, had learned that if he could substantiate a requisition, a number of horses could be issued from Remount Center, Mt. Royal, Va., and since the Igloo Areas, Magazine Areas, and Lines needed mounted patrol (and partly because he (Col. Hudson) liked horses and liked to ride) they were requisitioned. Mr. Fred Hagerman, Post Engr. Division, designed their stable which was known as the "Horse Palace", later became the Recreation Center and now houses the Legal Office. Chief of civilian guards (Mr. Barbee) was in charge. There were 40 horses and in order to keep them, they had to be exercised three hours a week; so Col. Hudson assigned a horse to each officer and one to each officer's wife, and it was the officer's responsibility on his "day off" for seeing that his horse had plenty of exercise. It was a familiar (and beautiful) sight to see them jumping hurdles. Some good riders, too—Capt. Bascom Owen, Capt. Potts, Capt. Hord, Major Stevens, Capt. Attaya and others.

But the patrol didn't work—somehow the men didn't like the idea, and the Mounted Patrol was abandoned."

Probably the most dramatic moments came during World War II when there were emergencies and Signal was the first to be on the alert. There were times too, when good news came through.

During that time, Col. Hudson received his eagles of full colonel. Elizabeth (known by everyone as La Rue) was sending a very long teletype on the night following the day of his promotion. Col. Hudson came into the office and realizing that she could not stop typing until her message had been completed, stood behind her until she had finished.

"He didn't say a word—a teletype connection is the same as a long distance telephone connection—every minute is charged for—but as I finished sending the message, it suddenly occurred to me that he had been promoted that day. I jumped up and before I realized what I was doing, put my hand on his shoulder and exclaimed 'congratulations!' . . . probably the most embarrassing moment of my life.

Col. Hudson had come to send a message to his parents telling of his promotion. "He was just beaming."

"I remember every signal officer we have had here—when he came, and when he left. I've worked as a teletype operator, telephone operator and in the administrative section, so I feel that Signal is like home.

Elizabeth recalled the names of all the signal officers, first Capt.

James Hord, then Capt. Ray Hill, Capt. Robert Ellis, Lt. Wilson, WAC, WOJG E. J. Arledge, Lt. John Petree, Capt. John Honour, Maj. Henry Kincaid and of course Maj. Peabody. During the time when Redstone was on stand-by there were acting signal officers who had other primary duties. Among those were Capt. Robert Hatch, Lt. Morgan Knudsen, Capt. Bert Wilson and Capt. Robert Hansmeier. (Those officers have had some various promotions but we aren't sure of all of them.)

Her first job in the Signal Office was as a teletype operator, then as chief teletype operator from 1944 until Redstone went on a stand-by status. The teletype office was discontinued and she transferred to the telephone office as an operator.

In September, 1951, she came to the Administrative Section as secretary to post signal officer—the position she had looked forward to having since she first came to Redstone, and now in addition to secretarial work, she has responsibilities as administrative assistant to the signal officer.

After high school, Elizabeth finished a course at Tennessee Valley Business College where she was office secretary while in school. After graduation, she went to work for a court reporter in Huntsville, the late E. P. Kingsbury.

After his death, Elizabeth went to Nashville and took a refresher course at Watkins Institute. Her next job was as secretary to the manager of Swiss Fur Storage Company and bookkeeper for the firm in Nashville. She also managed one of their branch offices.

Hearing that Redstone had opened near her home town, Elizabeth applied for and was given a job here.

Her husband is with TVA, and they reside at 420 Randolph St., Huntsville.

When we asked Elizabeth (who is, by the way, most friendly and cooperative) what she does in her spare time, we were amazed. She and her husband own a children's wear shop in Huntsville catering to children from infancy to 12 years of age. They employ someone to manage the shop, but Elizabeth goes in after work and on Saturdays. Besides, she does all of the buying.

In order to work in buying trips, the Esslingers attend showings in Birmingham, put on by New York, California, and other

**MP HI-LITES**  
BY ROY "NED" DUGGER

Ahoy all you inland ground-pounders. Oops! I forgot. Some of you may have fallen into the Tennessee River . . . Congrats to our MP of the year 1953, Edward Lance. Ed just made Cpl. We'll make an RA out of you yet me boy . . . Captain Charlie (Buck) Rodgers has just returned from the hospital at Ft. McClellan, and everyone is happy to see him back and in good shape. He still claims he's not going out for the ball team this season. He's been watching the mails pretty close lately. Must have a tax refund due in or something. Pvt. Menadier has finally returned to duty from the infirmary and may play baseball on the Depot team this season . . .

Complaints have been pouring in on newly made PFC "Tonto" Hector. They claim that since he's

been promoted he's decidedly harder to pacify. I hear he's got a couple of US Pvt's detailed to make his bed and shine his shoes in the mornings. The next Pvt. that goofs up will probably be sweeping his floor. Right now he's out looking for a detail to wash his car. Being a Sgt., I'm not in much danger of being selected to help rinse the Plymouth, but it's darn lucky for me that I'm going to be a civilian in a couple of weeks because the way "Tonto's" been getting his points in, he may be a Master Sgt. by June. Incidentally, he'll probably be the new Detachment Clerk and Reporter . . .

Crime Hi-Lite: The helpful buddy offered advice to the suspect. "An alibi would help you. Anyone see you at the hour this guy was shot?" The suspect shook his head. "Fortunately, no." . . . And in closing I'd like to remind you that if you drive like hell, you'll probably get there . . . Adios.

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big city clothing houses. The show runs three days, Sunday, Monday and Tuesday. So Elizabeth and her husband go down on Saturday night when there is a show opening on Sunday, and do all of the buying on that one day.

"If we had a big department store, it would take all three days, but we can supply the Huntsville Shop in one day of buying," Elizabeth remarked.

"We can't figure when she finds time for it, but the Esslinger are ardent fishing fans. "I caught a nice big bass two weeks ago," she said, "and we go often and have good luck."

Anyone who can make a success of all of the things she does, is indeed to be saluted. Assuming so much responsibility, she is a key figure in running one of the most important agencies on the arsenal.

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## "Caravan" Revue To Play at RSA

"Caravan", a new Third Army musical revue, will be presented at Redstone on May 13 and 14, Special Services announced last week.

The cast of "Caravan" includes some rising stars in the entertainment world. The Wynton Kelly Trio, a new Third Army group, is made up of three versatile young men who like to interpret the cool sound in progressive music. Cpl. Edward Perse of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, is the man on the drums. In civilian days a well known drummer among musicians around Milwaukee, he is now being noted as "that terrific drummer with the Third Army Package Shows." With the trio on the vibes and marimba is Cpl. Dwight Malcom. He formerly was a marimba instructor in his home town of St. Paul, Minn. Both Malcom and Perse are listed among the top young musicians in the Southeast.

The leader of the group, Pfc. Wynton Kelly, piano, was formerly accompanist for Dinah Washington. He received his "progressive"

musical education with the Dizzy Gillespie Orchestra. Though only 22 years old, Pfc. Kelly has recorded for Blue Note Records for some time.

Variety is assured by Ticho Parly, who with his own radio and TV show was Denmark's most raved about singing star, and Hartmuth Wolf, who was fast becoming one of the most popular young concert violinists in the East when the Army called.

Ticho was winning new praise here in the States to challenge his popularity in his native Denmark when he came to the fore for Uncle Sam. His present work for the Third Army Package Shows is gaining him thousands of new fans. Ticho sings a variety of songs in Caravan, guaranteed to please every taste in music.

Hartmuth Wolf of St. Joseph, Mich., was featured violin soloist with the famous Hiedelberg College Choir of Tiffin, Ohio. One of his latest performances before entering service was at Town Hall, New York.

Emceeding the show will be dramatic actor John McAlpine of California. Before entering the Army John did dramatic roles on radio and TV shows in New York City. He is considered to be Hollywood's newest dramatic acting personality.

These are just a few of the talented entertainers who will appear here in the Third Army Show "Caravan." All military personnel, dependents and D/A civilians are cordially invited to attend. The revue will be held at 8 p.m. Thursday, May 13 at the Rocket Auditorium and Friday, May 14 at 8:30 p.m. in the Post Theatre.

## Visitors May be Waiting for You

When Lt. Robert Vujovich, of OGMS, opened the door to his class room in Bldg. 625-3 the other morning he discovered a new student—a four-foot snake.

The visitor was coiled on top of a lab bench, about 37 inches from the floor. Lt. Vujovich quickly dispatched the snake with a convenient weapon.

As it turned out, the reptile was only a harmless kingsnake, but Lt. Vujovich rightly took no chances.

Ed Summers, Safety Office, said that this is the time of year when snakes may be seen almost anywhere. After a winter's hibernation, rattlesnakes and their equally deadly cousins, the cottonmouth and copperheads, are foul tempered and quick to strike.

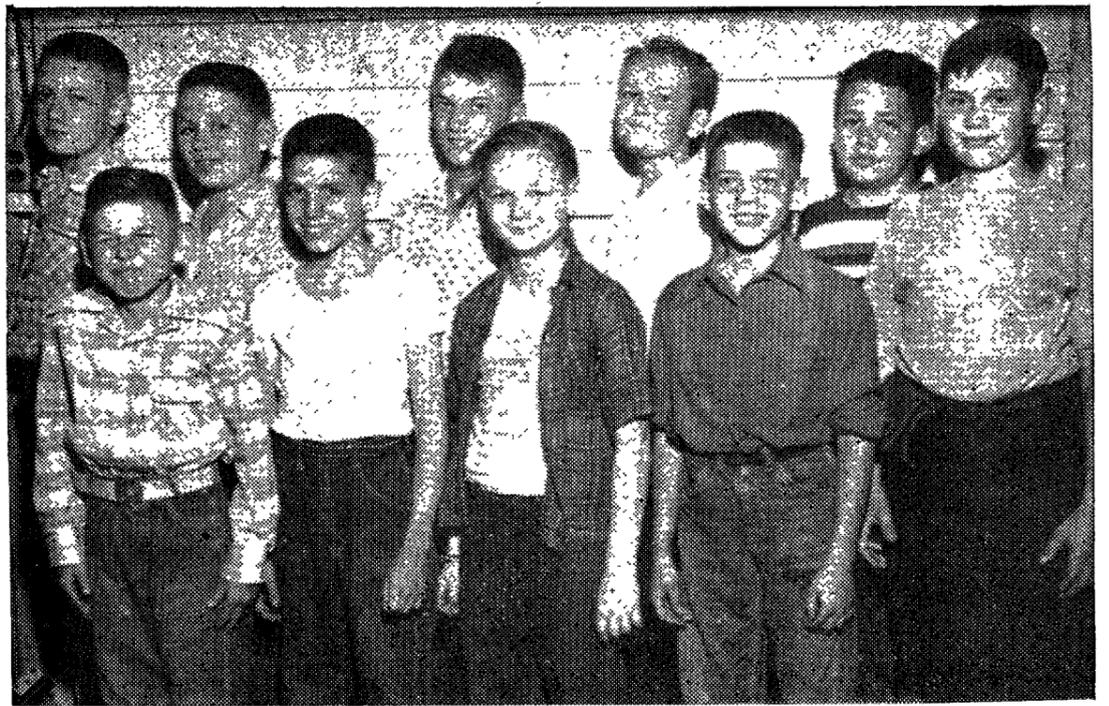
Ordinarily, a snake will go out of its way to avoid striking a person—but during early spring, when the reptiles are shedding old skins and are ravenously hungry, they will strike without provocation.

Summers cautioned outside workers particularly. "Any workers in the field should be equipped with a snake-bite kit," he said. "These can be secured at the Infirmary, behind Bldg. A-101."

A great many harmless, in fact useful, snakes are killed every year by persons who can't distinguish between poisonous and non-poisonous snakes. This is unfortunate, because snakes do a lot of good in keeping down the rodent and insect populations. However, it is always better to kill a harmless snake than let a deadly one escape.

Alabama has the dubious distinction of being inhabited by all four of the venomous species of snakes found in North America—rattlesnake, copperhead, cottonmouth, and coral snake. The coral snake is not found this far north, but the other three are present right here at Redstone Arsenal.

All three types of venomous snakes in Madison County belong to the viper family, distinguished by flat, heart-shaped heads with



**FIRST BOY SCOUT TROOP AT REDSTONE**—These boys make up the first Boy Scout Troop on the arsenal with Maj. Ben Keyserling as their Scoutmaster. They are, front row, left to right, Dennis McKinzie, Robert Thomas Dechemendy, John Gasper, Brindon Reed, and Jon Ebbert. On the back row, left to right, are Kenneth Hinkley, Richard Thayer, Pat Rigg, George Clary, and Charles Keyserling. (Photo by Gil Edelstein)

## Engineers to Discuss Era of Synthetics

The new era of synthetic fibers will be discussed at the April meeting of the North Alabama Group of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers. This meeting will be held at the Redstone Officer's Club today, with a social hour at 6:15 p.m. and dinner at 7:00 p.m.

Speaker for the evening will be Mr. Roy W. Sudhoff, Associate Director of Development for the Chemstrand Corporation. Under the title "Beyond the Test-tube," he will discuss synthetic fibers in general, the extensive evaluation needed before production and the engineering problems of getting into production.

All interested persons, whether ASME members or not, are invited to attend. The Officers' Club is located across the street from the south end of Bldg. A-101. Persons without arsenal passes must enter through Gate 1. For dinner reservations and other arrangements, call Allen Deschere at Rohm and Haas Company or Huntsville 5463-J.

pits under the eyes. According to the Columbia Encyclopedia, the copperhead (also called highland moccasin) "reaches a length of two-three feet and is rather thick, with a coppery head and hazel brown body banded with chestnut, and pinkish with dark spots underneath."

The cottonmouth (or water moccasin) is "dark brown or olive, with lighter, dark-banded sides, and a yellow belly with darker markings. The young, which are born alive, are brightly colored; in very old specimens, the colors fade into a uniform muddy shade." Cottonmouths obtain a length of about five feet, and they are usually found in swampy places or near creeks. There are several ideal spots on the arsenal where these deadly fellows may be found.

About 13 species of rattlesnakes may be found in the United States. Several are found in Alabama, including the giant Florida diamond-back, the largest and most deadly species in North America. Rattles can be recognized by the tail ending in a "rattle," a series of dried, hollow segments up to ten or 12 in number. A new rattle is added each time the snake molts, from three to four times yearly. However, the rattles are being continually worn off.

## Letterhead Contest May Win You Cash

A 15-dollar prize will be awarded for the best letterhead idea for new Redstone Arsenal stationery to be eard at the PX, announced Mr. Earl Smith, post exchange officer last week.

The letterhead or design should be modern and suitable for all military personnel at the arsenal.

As long as the suggestion is appropriate to Redstone, the design may be anything from a simple letterhead to a light-hued design covering the entire page.

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