

DR. LESLIE W. BALL

## Dr. Ball to Speak On Laboratory Tests

Dr. Leslie Ball will speak at 7 p.m. tomorrow (Sept. 22) in Rocket Auditorium. His topic will be "Laboratory Testing of Guided Missile Components."

At the present time Dr. Ball is vice president and technical director of Wyle Laboratories, Los Angeles, and he is also a consultant to the Army Ordnance Corps and to the Navy Bureau of Ordnance on weapon reliability with particular emphasis on laboratory testing.

He received his formal education with the Sir Laurence Bragg School of Physics at the University of Manchester, England, and continued in academic work at the Canadian National Research Laboratories until World War II brought him into the industrial and military field in which he has continued since.

Dr. Ball will discuss the importance of making sure that complex weapons, such as guided missiles, do not fail in the event of a shooting war. His talk will deal with the practical problems of recognizing and controlling specific causes of missile component failure and will define the ways in which experience has shown that laboratory testing can be used most effectively.

The speech will conclude with specific recommendations for the use of a number of technical and administrative practices that have proved to be effective in other weapon programs and which are applicable to present day missile programs.

This talk is unclassified and all personnel interested are invited to attend.

### NEW HOURS START MON.

Starting next week, Redstone workers will be able to sleep an hour later in the mornings. The Arsenal will return to the 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. schedule Sept. 26.

## Camera Club Plans Meeting Tomorrow

The Redstone Camera Club will hold its organizational meeting tomorrow at 3:30 p.m. in the OML Conference Room, Bldg. A-101, according to Sam Hobbs, Photo Lab.

Anyone who wishes to become a member of the club is urged to attend this meeting, Hobbs said.

### BLOODMOBILE TO VISIT

The Red Cross Bloodmobile will be at Redstone, Sept. 27, according to Jesse Stutts, bloodmobile coordinator and assistant personnel officer.

The bloodmobile, which collected 376 pints during its last visit here, will be at the Assembly Hall, Bldg. 1051, from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m., Stutts said.

Employees and military personnel will be contacted by their local coordinators.

## CLEAN UP WEEK COMES TO RSA

### "Clean Up, Don't Burn Up" Is Motto

"Clean up, don't burn up" is the slogan for Redstone's Fall Clean Up Week, which starts on Monday, Sept. 29, according to Capt. Marvin Shaw, assistant post engineer and fire marshal.

"Fire hazards in the home, shop and office can be controlled through good house-keeping," Capt. Shaw said.

Since the weather for the past months has been extremely dry, Capt. Shaw urged that everyone be especially careful with cigarettes.

The fire marshal asked that all arsenal personnel participate in this drive to minimize the danger of fire to themselves, their families, and their homes.

Military police have been given instructions to halt any person seen throwing a lighted cigarette from a vehicle. The person caught doing this will be required to pick up the cigarette and put it out in a proper manner.

Shaw had a number of suggestions to make concerning fire prevention in the home. Some of them are:

- (1) Dispose of trash and rubbish—old clothing, magazines, linens. Check closets, attics, and basement for these things.
- (2) Keep plenty of well designed ash trays on hand.
- (3) Keep dust mops cared for and keep oily rags in a safe, metal container.
- (4) Use 15 ampere fuses and promptly replace worn cords.
- (5) Keep yards free of grass, weeds, and trash.
- (6) Keep tools and appliances in good working condition.



STEVE JANOVAK

## Investigator Hired For Awards Com'tee

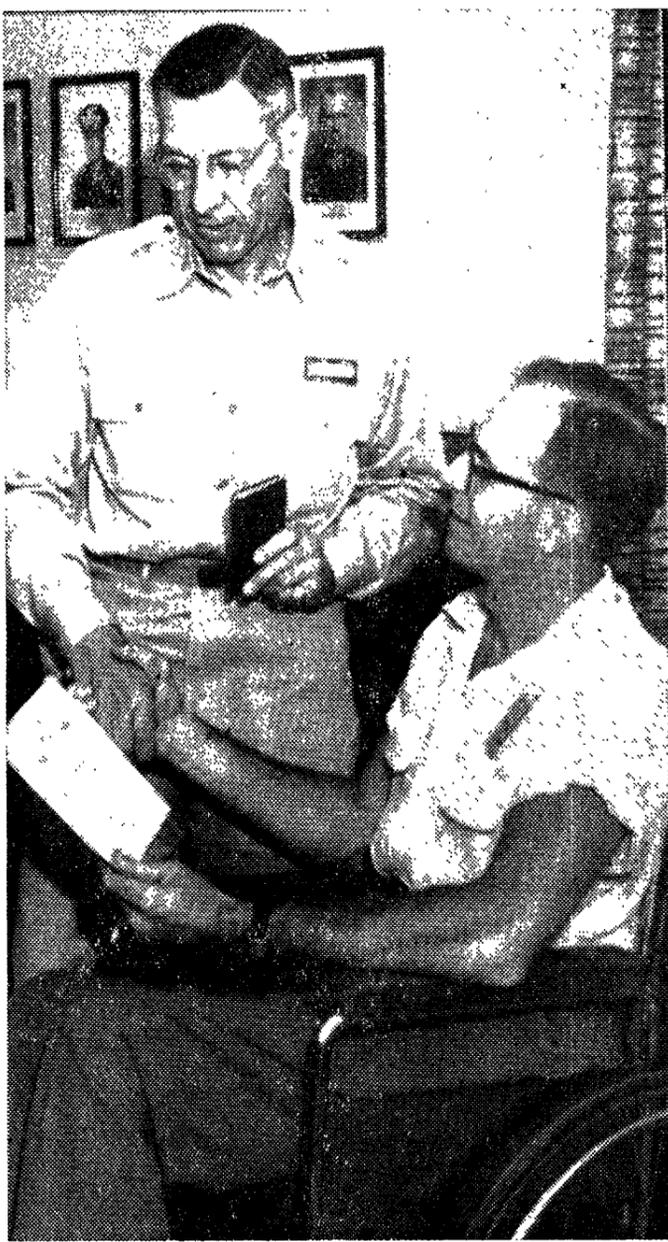
The Redstone Efficiency Awards Committee now has an investigator to help with the job of screening, investigating, and helping to prepare suggestions.

The new arrival is Steve H. Janovak, who came here from the Marine Station, Opa Locka, Fla.

The addition of Janovak is expected to be of help to supervisors who have to examine and evaluate suggestions concerned with their activities. He will also be available to help employees write out their suggestions where such assistance is desired.

Janovak brings to his new assignment a background of industrial and civic experience. He was a manufacturing department chief with Western Electric Co., Winston-Salem, N. C., before going to work for the government.

He has been active in civic programs, particular with regards to aiding children stricken with cerebral palsy. This work resulted in his winning the third place civic award at the 1951 convention of the Royal Order of the



**ARTIST IS COURTEOUS DRIVER**—Bill Kaylor, illustrator in the Mission Planning and Coordination Office, was named Courteous Driver for the period ending last week. Kaylor is shown here receiving a certificate and congratulations of General Toftoy. The Redstone artist teaches classes at the University Center and also has his own ceramics business. (Photo by Dee Bauer)

## REDSTONE ARTIST BILL KAYLOR SELECTED AS COURTEOUS DRIVER

Bill Kaylor is a courteous driver.

That's the opinion of the two "Mr. Safetys" for the period ending last week. Both John H. Hyer, chief of Ammunition, and Lt. Col. Clinton A. Waggoner, deputy chief of FSD, felt that Kaylor's act of courtesy earned him the Courteous Drivers Award for the period.

Here's how it happened, in the words of Hyer:

"On the afternoon of Sept. 9 at 3:35 p.m., while attempting to enter Redstone Rd. from Bldg. A-156, the traffic going west was extremely heavy, as

is usual at this time of day. The people from Bldg. A-156 usually experience some difficulty getting onto Redstone Rd.

"However, on this afternoon a car (driven by Kaylor) stopped and let the car in which I was riding out. This started a chain reaction and several other cars stopped and let cars onto Redstone Rd. one at a time."

For the past year Kaylor has been illustrator for the Mission Planning and Coordination Office.

Meantime he has been building a business in ceramics and has been teaching at the University of Alabama Extension Center here in Huntsville.

Kaylor will have two classes this Fall. Tuesday nights he will teach design and painting. Then, on Thursday nights ceramics classes will be conducted.

He's also retiring from his job to go into full scale ceramics manufacture.

His favorite line is sculpturing, but from a practical point of view it pays less well. For instance, it took three hundred hours while earning his master's degree at the University of Alabama.

Working in clay also means hours of study for pleasing design.

The son of a Presbyterian minister, Kaylor married his high school sweetheart, Miss Evelyn Walker of Athens. He claims the whole of Alabama as home because his father moved on an average of once every five years. Now the Kaylor's live at 1809 Whitesburg Drive in Huntsville. Mrs. Kaylor studied at Montevallo while Bill was in the Army in Europe.

In the ceramics business, Kaylor has another partner, Jack Weaver, an illustrator at the Ordnance Guided Missile School.

## "WEEDEN MANOR" IS WHERRY NAME

### Residents Select By Casting Votes

Residents of Wherry Housing recently cast their votes to select a name for the arsenal housing development located on Goss Rd. which has been open since about February of 1953, but has gone un-named.

The winning name is Weeden Manor. Two names were selected by a committee of arsenal and townspeople, chosen from the suggestions turned in by interested parties.

The two names were Weeden Manor and Chickasaw Heights. Both names have historical interest. The Wherry Housing project is located at the base of Weeden Mountain, a name given in connection with the Weeden family who were among the well-known pioneers of Huntsville.

Chickasaw comes from the Indian tribe to whom the land belonged which is now occupied by much of Redstone Arsenal. During the construction of the arsenal, many evidences of the occupancy by the Chickasaws were unearthed, including an "armament plant" near Sewage Treatment Plant No. 3 on Indian Creek.

The Indians gathered flint stone native to the area, and at this place laboriously fashioned it into arrowheads, or to use more modern terminology, the "Indian Guided Missile."

As a matter of fact, this particular location is less than a mile from our modern guided missile fabrication plant.

Among the other names suggested for Wherry were Missile Manor, Rocket Village, Manning Spring, Cherry Palms, Space Village, Madkin Manor, Highland Housing, Vestavia Village, Bibb Heights and Madkin Acres or Madkin Terrace.

## MP Corps Birthday Will Be Celebrated

Open House at the 803rd Military Police Company will be attended by the public on the 13th birthday of the Military Police Corps Sunday, Sept. 26.

Beginning at 10 a.m. the barracks will be open for public inspection with a full display of equipment, and open wall-lockers. The various weapons used by the MPs will be on display outside of the Unit Supply Room. These include the .45 caliber pistol, .30 caliber carbines and shotguns or riot guns. There will also be all types of dummy grenades and two patrol vehicles on display. The first hour of the open house will also include a guided tour of the Provost Marshal's office.

At 11 a.m. the drill platoon will give a 15-minute demonstration of close order drill and afterwards coffee and cake will be served to everyone in the company dayroom.

Demonstration of an arrest and apprehension will take place in the company area at 12 noon.

Two films will be shown at 12:30 p.m. showing "The MP Story" and "Support in Emergencies" in the MP classroom.

Following the movies, a skit on MP functions will be staged at 1:30 p.m.

Informal guard mount will be demonstrated by the drill platoon at 2 p.m.

At 2:30, coffee and cake will again be served in the company dayroom followed by a traffic demonstration including hand signals, point control and a motorcycle demonstration. The traffic problems will begin at 3:30.

Films will be shown again at 4 p.m. in the classroom and will be followed by the informal guard mount at 5 p.m. that will end the show.

Later in the evening the company plans a party for the members of the 803rd.

# The Redstone Rocket

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## SPORTS AND THE SOLDIER

There is probably no better physical conditioner for men and boys than sports—basketball, football, track, tennis, boxing, baseball, in fact almost any sport that requires vigorous activity. Schools and colleges realize this and lay heavy emphasis on these activities. All students, physically able, are required to participate in some sort of exercise in most schools today. The Armed Forces realize it too, and give soldiers plenty of time for healthful, muscle-building exercise.

It is especially important that soldiers (and other servicemen as well) keep themselves in good physical condition. It is just as important that individual soldiers keep themselves in shape as it is that our nation keep itself armed and ready for any possible aggression.

Sometimes the Army, or rather individuals in the Army, are inclined to overlook this simple fact. To them, a soldier is somebody with a certain duty to perform—whether it's driving a truck, washing pots and pans, or analyzing the flight pattern of a guided missile. He is detailed to do this duty eight hours a day—and by God he is going to do it. The fact that a person may become a better man and a better soldier by spending some of those hours in competitive sports is completely overlooked.

At Redstone we have been lucky in having eager participants in every sport that comes along. And Redstone has acquired a reputation over the entire Third Army area for turning out spirited, competitive teams. And this has been achieved without over-emphasizing any sport.

It has been done without neglecting regular duty and without the presence of highly proclaimed "professional" athletes.

High morale and a strong sense of esprit de corps have been the result of Redstone's moderate but enthusiastic sports program.

Now with football season on us, Redstone's soldiers and civilians alike are looking forward to a successful season . . . success not in the number of games won, but in fine spirit of teamwork that produced for the arsenal last year a good, aggressive team that had many followers.

## DIMES CAMPAIGN IS GREAT SUCCESS

Congratulations are due to the thousands of Redstone people who contributed so much to the Emergency March of Dimes. With

a goal of \$1200, Redstone came through to the tune of over \$5600.

The success of the campaign here is fine tribute to Lt. Col. Otto Kohler, drive chairman, and the many hard working volunteers who helped him. The outstanding job done by all speaks well for Redstone's realization of the continued importance of the battle against polio.

It appears likely that, within a few years, a successful vaccine will be in use which will put an end to the great evils wrought by this disease. This vaccine will be the direct result of the dimes and dollars contributed by the American people . . . by Redstone people . . . by you!

## A MAN WHO IS INTERESTED IN HIS PLANT IS INTERESTED IN HIS SECURITY



Security is important to all of us. A job, more than anything else, makes personal security possible. Our paycheck permits us to provide food, clothing, and shelter for our families and ourselves. It places savings, insurance, and retirement within our grasp. The loss of our jobs jeopardizes our personal security and the whole business of being the breadwinner and head of the family.

Plant security is an important part of our personal security. Plants, machinery, and tools can be destroyed by fire and explosions, and can be caused by the careless or willful acts of our coworkers. Plans and machinery can be wrecked by unskilled operation or sabotage. The result, if you survive, is exactly the same—NO JOB!

Doing our jobs well is not only a source of personal satisfaction, but is a measure of our efficiency. Doing our jobs well includes habitual observance of security regulations and safety rules.

They are designed to protect us and our coworkers. Observing them can never be too much trouble.

Plant security is your security.

FRANKLIN G. FLOETE  
Assistant Secretary of Defense  
(Properties and Installations)

## THIOKOL EMPLOYEES ELECTED TO TOP OFFICES IN JAYCEES

The Huntsville Junior Chamber of Commerce will install new officers at a dinner meeting at 7:30 p.m. Friday at Cambron's Aero Club, according to Paul McClung, out-going president and employe in the Office of the Comptroller.

Frank Gardiner, Thiokol Corporation, is the newly elected president of the Jaycees. Horace Bomar, also of Thiokol, and Carl Moring, local attorney, are the two vice presidents.

At the same time the Jaycee officers are installed, the women's auxiliary will install its new officers. They are: Mrs. Harry Pennington, president; Mrs. Earl Cloud, vice president; Mrs. Robert Lakebrink, secretary; Mrs. William Harrell, correspondent secretary; Mrs. Raymond Bennett, treasurer; Mrs. Robert Lochridge, historian; Mrs. Betty Denson, parliamentarian; and Mrs. Frank

Gardiner and Mrs. James Collins, members of the board of directors.

Charles Trimmier, state president of the Jaycees, will be present to install the new officers. Mrs. Curtis Lyles, state auxiliary president, will install the auxiliary officers.

Other Jaycee officers to be installed are: Dare Newby, secretary; Bob Lakebrink, treasurer and Bob Lochridge, parliamentarian. The new board of directors is composed of Ned Wickham, Bill Harrell, Chester Planka, Ray

## Rocket Society to Hold Dinner-Meeting

The Alabama Chapter of the American Rocket Society will hold a banquet-meeting at the Russel Erskine Hotel ballroom at 7 p.m., Oct. 1.

A distinguished speaker from Paris, France, Ferand Florio, will address the group. Florio is the technical director of the Society for Study of Propulsion by Reaction in France.

The public, as well as wives of members, is invited to attend the dinner and hear the lecture.

Reservation may be made by calling John Wise, Thiokol, Ext. 188, or Charles Northrop, RSA Ext. 3415. Reservations should be made not later than Sept. 29.

## Reynolds Engineer To Address ASME

The chief design engineer for Reynolds Metals Company will address the North Alabama Group of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers dinner-meeting starting at 7 p.m. at the Redstone Officers Open Mess.

Paul E. Brandt, chief design engineer at Reynolds since 1950, will discuss "Economic Advantages of Aluminum." Brandt will come here from the general sales office in Louisville, Ky.

He graduated from Iowa State College with a degree in aeronautical engineering in 1943. He has been with Reynolds since 1947, when he left the Culver Aircraft Corp.

Bennett, Dutch Besselson, and Frank Hayes.

About 50 per cent of the Jaycee membership comes from the Redstone Arsenal personnel.

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BY ANN RICHARDS

**ADMINISTRATION AND MGT.**

If you have been missing several people around the Administration and Management Office, it is probably because they are away on their vacations. Some of the lucky ones are Mr. Sid Mintz who is basking in the sun at Myrtle Beach, S.C., and Mr. Rush Byerline who is sight-seeing in Washington, D. C.

Dawn Massini and her husband Henry, have returned from a trip to New Orleans and Panama City. In Panama City they were joined by Frances Register and her husband Grady. They had driven down from Geneva, Ala., where they had attended Grady's sister's wedding.

Back from Kilgore, Texas, is

Corporal Bobby Cipelle with a huge box of cigars. It was a boy and they named him Richard Lyn.

A newcomer to the General Administration Branch is the new assistant chief, Harold F. McMillan, who is from Montgomery.

Mr. Ralph Jennings, a new member of the Technical Information Section, is quite lucky in our opinion. His bride of several months, Betty, is coming to work just a few doors down the hall.

Two proud parents are Vera Smith and Leta Thompson. Their sons, Mike Smith and Jerry Thompson, are on the Pee Wee football team at Joe Bradley. Also, Mike is now a member of the Safety Patrol.

It's good to see Elizabeth Gardner back with us after being on the sick list for a few days.

Several members of the Photo Lab are back from their trips to the northern states. Ronald Crane visited New York, Leo Davis was in Boston, Mass., and Otto Schlotterbeck visited relatives in Iowa.

We understand that Nellie B. DeYoung of the GM Library is home and is feeling much better. She is now able to be up for short periods of time.

## TECHNICAL FEASIBILITY STUDIES OFFICE

Among the people still enjoying last minute vacations we have: Joe Sims who arrived back in the state of Alabama after a three week's vacation trip to California. He liked "Reno" and "Lost Wages" best of all. Eunice Danner spent the Labor Day holiday on the Gulf Coast and managed to come back without a bad sunburn. Alma Marks and family enjoyed the long weekend with her family in Tennessee. Ben Lindeman spent the past week in Brooklyn (New York, that is) and that ends the vacations in TFSO for this summer.

Welcome to two more newcomers in our division. Steve Johnston, who recently joined our group, will be in the Guidance Analysis Branch and Dick Turner, who will be in the Missile Analysis Branch.

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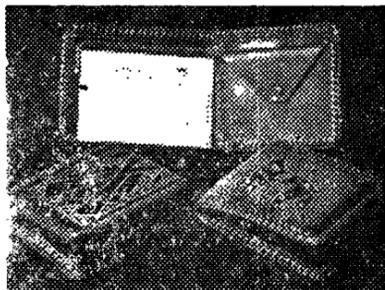
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## SERVICE CLUB ACTIVITIES

BY JIM MURPHY

Your Service Club of Redstone Arsenal offers a diverse and interesting program for the third week of September. On Tuesday the week gets off to a big start commencing at 1945 hours, Eddie DiPolvere, dance instructor, will guide the steps of those who wish to learn the art of the dance. The session will be the third in a series which began with the fundamental concepts of the Fox-Trot. Emphasis, however, is placed up holding the level of instruction to a beginning and intermediate level in order that more will have the opportunity to participate in the event.

Highlighting the week will be our usual mid-week dance featuring the danceable music of Jack Murphy and his orchestra. Junior Hostesses will be on hand to provide the feminine aspect to the evening and of course delicious refreshments prepared by the Service Club staff will be served during intermission. An evening as enjoyable and wholesome as anyone could ask for is awaiting you at your Service Club this Wednesday.

Thursday, due to previous appeal of the event, your Service Club will hold another of its appealing gymnastic exhibitions. The event will be staged at the Boxing Ring. Here's an excellent opportunity for those who enjoy physical culture to find their own nook in the many and varied events presented throughout the week. This feature event will cover events such as tumbling, boxing, weight lifting, a trampoline act. It is sincerely hoped that a large turnout will be on hand to enjoy the event.

Highlighting the events Thursday evening will be the monthly Bridge Tournament. Commencing at 1830 hours all avid fans of the game will be on hand to determine who the successor to the previous tournament will be. As per usual it is requested that all participants please sign the register on or before the 20th, stating both your name as well as your partner's name.

Spotlighting the bandstand in Saturday night's dance band is Danny Drake and his Quintet. Here's an outstanding combo mak-

## REDSTONE HOBBY SHOP—

# A Place for Constructive Relaxation

More and more Redstone soldiers are turning to the Hobby Shop, located in Bldg. T-171, for off-duty relaxation. And dependents also find a complete line of hand tools available and waiting when they tackle such problems as Scout handicraft.

The Hobby Shop, which is run by SFC Clarence Hurst for Special Service, is well equipped for woodwork, metalwork, photography, art, electrical work, and model building.

Up to 500 persons visit and use the facilities monthly according to records kept by SFC Hurst.

"We are fairly well equipped here," SFC Hurst said. "Better than many shops I have seen."

Some of the equipment in the shop are: metal lathe and shaper, wood lathe, drill press, six-inch joiner, band saw, jig saw, circle saw, one-fourth-inch electric drill, electric belt sander and two electric grinding and buffing machines for metals.

Some soldiers like to work on small items such as book ends and lamps. But others, with ambition and foresight, go all out. For example, four motor boats, have been started—a couple are already finished. Paying only for the lumber and other materials, the men are making boats that would cost several hundred dollars on the "outside."

For the camera bugs, there is a fully equipped darkroom for developing, printing, and enlarging.

SFC Hurst is almost always on hand to help anyone whose experience doesn't equal his ambition. Hurst has been at Redstone since June of this year. He came here from the Eta Jima Specialist School, Japan, where he ran a Hobby shop in addition to his regular duties.

While in Japan, Hurst started a camera club that, from all reports, is still going strong. Club members made tours of different parts of Japan, photographing the scenery and people. They also were visited frequently by Chemical Corps personnel and Japanese photographers who led technical discussions.

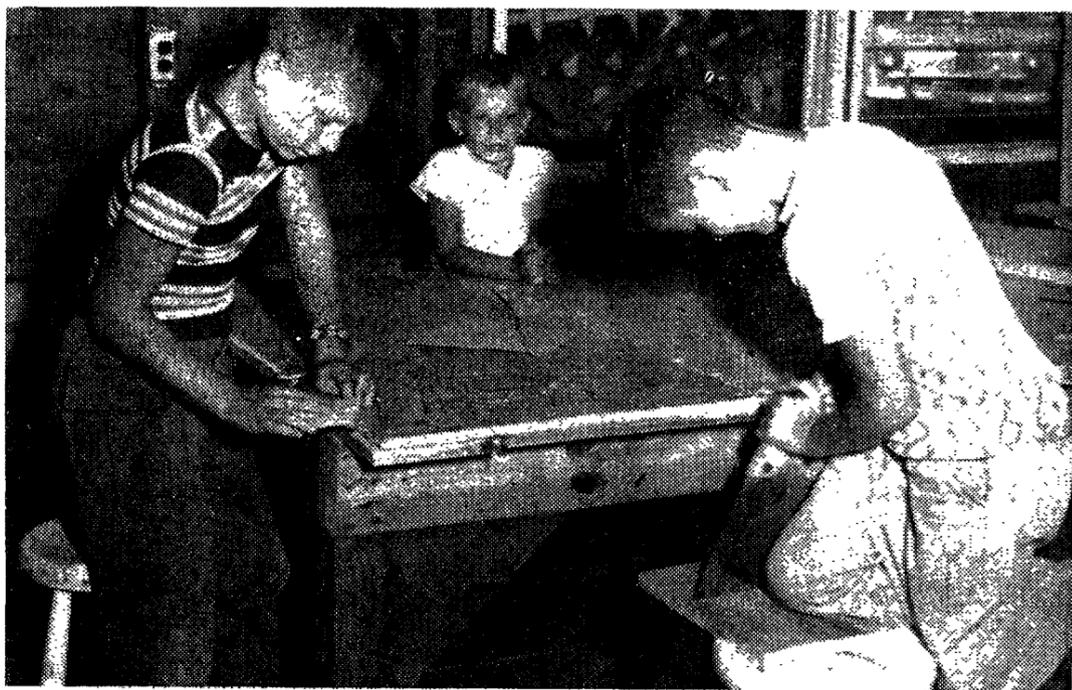
Hurst believes that such a club could easily be organized here at Redstone. "In fact," he said, "if sufficient interest is shown in any field we could organize a group for the purpose of bringing in speakers and making field tours."

Hurst has a complete line of models — airplanes and cars —

ing its debut and setting a precedent for a Saturday night dance here at the Service Club. Commencing at 2000 hours, the Jr. Hostesses will be on hand to assure you of an enjoyable evening. There's an evening under the stars awaiting you with its mystic spell of charm and gaiety interlaced with the poetry of music.

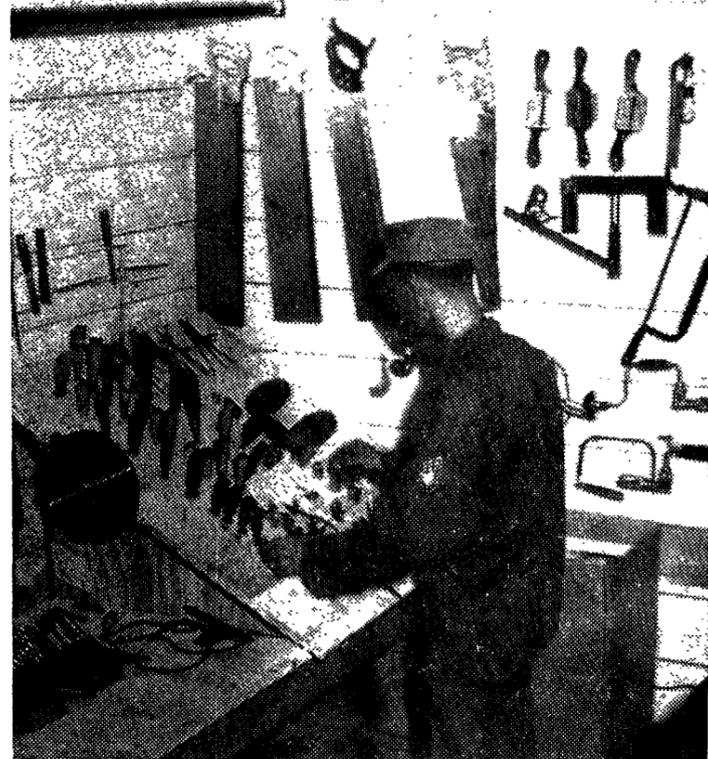
The enjoyable event of the week which provides one of the most relaxing forms of entertainment year round is on hand again. Coffee Call with the particularly enjoyable doughnuts . . . all this to a background of soft music . . . what more could a guy ask for? (Within reason?)

Concluding the sound and complete schedule of events will be a fete presented by the Oakwood College Choir. This particular group is sensational in its ability to present a program of religious and folk songs which through out the years, have remained among the best loved of American songs. Attend this, and you will never regret it.



### HOBBY SHOP ACTIVITIES—

It's easy to do scout handicraft when you have a complete line of tools to work with. The two boys in the picture above, John Wattendorf (left) and John Gasper, have found that the Redstone Hobby Shop has just this to offer—as well as trained supervision. The absorbed spectator is 6-year-old Bill Wattendorf. In the photo at right, SFC Clarence Hurst is seen neatly arranging some of the tools used in the Hobby Shop. SFC Hurst is in charge of the establishment, run by Special Services. The Hobby Shop is open to all military personnel and their dependents. (Photo by Dick Bauer)



which he sells at about a 25 per cent discount. Prices range from \$1 to \$14.

It's all there in the Hobby Shop—tools, equipment, and material—and there are plenty of enthusiastic builders on the arsenal.

### Envelopes Are Out For Aid to Koreans

Envelopes for contributions to the American-Korean Foundation have been distributed to various arsenal divisions by the adjutant, and should be returned to him for final tabulation.

On Sunday, the 26th, all collections at the Post Chapel will go to this organization for use in Korea.

The folder accompanying the envelopes outlines the ways the money is used for survival in Korea. The bare necessities of life are the primary concern of the Foundation. When the hostilities ceased in the battle against communism, over 500,000 homes had been destroyed and another half million damaged. More than 2,000,000 Korean people had been killed by bullets, bombs, and exposure. Some 9,000,000 were homeless or were refugees. Eighty percent of the nation's hospitals were in ruins, and more than 100,000 children had lost both parents.

Gen. James A. Van Fleet is the chairman of the board for the American-Korean Foundation.

### Greene to Lecture At Rocket Seminar

Exterior Ballistics of Free Rockets" will be the subject of the eighth technical orientation seminar to be held at 8 a.m. Friday in Rocket Auditorium.

H. L. Greene, Rocket Development Division, will be the speaker. He will discuss the exterior ballistics of free rockets with particular emphasis on recent methods as applied to the design of aircraft rockets.

A film of aircraft and ground firings of modern aircraft rockets will be shown.

The lecture will be Confidential. Presentation of a properly completed "lecture clearance card," RSA Form 666, is required for admittance.

Harry Kottas, secretary for OML councils and panels, said that the bearer's signature must be witnessed by an authorized deputy security officer. A RSA badge or ID card will be used as identification.

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OUR FIFTY-SECOND YEAR



**NEW OFFICERS**—These are the recently elected officers of the Officers Wives Club of Redstone Arsenal who were installed at a luncheon meeting on Sept. 14 at the Officers Open Mess. Left to right are: Mrs. Richard H. Meyer, recording secretary; Mrs. George Elrod, Jr., corresponding secretary; Mrs. Clinton A. Waggoner, president; Mrs. H. N. Toftoy, honorary president; Mrs. James P. Snooks, Jr., vice president; Mrs. Arthur Pinkham, treasurer; and Mrs. M. B. Chatfield, installing officer. (Photo by Dee Bauer)

**NEW OFFICERS ARE INSTALLED AT WIVES CLUB LUNCHEON MEET**

The officers for a year's term were installed Sept. 14 at a luncheon meeting of the Officers Wives Club of Redstone Arsenal, held at the Officers Open Mess.

Mrs. M. B. Chatfield was the installing officer in the absence of the past president. The ceremony included presenting a corsage of yellow mums to each new officer and introducing her to the

group. In instances where the retiring officers were present, they installed the new officers taking their offices.

Those installed by Mrs. Chatfield were: Mrs. H.N. Toftoy, honorary president; Mrs. Clinton A. Waggoner, president; Mrs. James P. Snooks, Jr., vice president. Mrs. William Lynch installed Mrs. Arthur Pinkham, treasurer; Mrs. James Black, Mrs. Richard Meyer, recording secretary; and Mrs. Thomas Cooper, Jr., Mrs. George Elrod, corresponding secretary.

Mrs. Waggoner presided at the meeting and announced the committee chairman for her term of office. They are: Mrs. Archibald Dean, program chairman; Mrs. Paul Elias hospitality; Mr. George McBride, nominating; Mrs. Rhea Minton, bridge; and Mrs. Robert Winter, fund raising. The chairman of the friendship committee will be announced later.

Included among the new members introduced at this meeting were Mrs. Hugh Eakin, Mrs. Glen Viehmeyer, Mrs. James Whitner, Mrs. Arthur Hogan, Mrs. Rudolph Axelson, Mrs. Frank Warren, Mrs. Smith and Mrs. Raymond Elder.

Mrs. Warren said grace before the luncheon. The table decorations were garden flowers, cornucopias filled with fruit, and colored leaves.

The retiring officers gave annual reports of activities during their terms of office.

The club members voted to assume a welfare project during the year. Various plans were discussed, and a vote will be taken later to decide on a definite project. Mrs. McBride will be the committee chairman in charge.

**ORDNANCE GUIDED MISSILE SCHOOL**

JEAN BREWER

Most "swan songs" are accompanied by sniffles and boo-hoos. However, this reporter is making a valiant attempt to write this last column without any tears. I will miss the many friends I have contacted in OGMS, even though I will be busy studying for a Bachelors in Education at the University of Alabama.

We are glad to see Mr. Christian back after several weeks spent in the VA Hospital in Nashville, Tenn. Cpl. Roy is undergoing a nostril operation at Walter Reed Hospital in Washington, D. C. We are looking forward to his return.

A welcome is extended to our newcomers, Mr. John D. Tyson, Instructor in Mechanical Branch, and Miss Helon M. Sizley, stenographer in Operations Office.

**1ST ETD**

**ASSIGNED GAINS:** Maude Margaret Irwin, Serial No. N/A, Grade: tops, duty: cry when hungry, Control Branch: 1st Lt. and Mrs. John F. Irwin, height: one lovable armful, weight: 8 pounds, 7½ ounces, DOB: 23 August, 1954. Remarks: 1st Lt. Irwin, Commanding Officer of 1st ETD, happily announced the arrival of Maude Margaret at Ft. McClellan Hospital, Alabama. Son, William Irwin, 3½ years, and daughter, Patricia Irwin, 20 months, along with the 1st ETD, say welcome to the brand new arrival and congratulations to the proud parents.

**ASSIGNED LOSSES:** Cpl. David R. Dutchover, Serial No. US 54379315, Grade: Cpl. Duty: Company Clerk, from Dy to Release, "Civilian Status". Remarks: Cpl. David R. Dutchover, a natural born leader, is returning to civilian life to be a school teacher in Redford, Texas. Maria, Texas, is home to "Dutch", who was called from the "Wild West" to become a company clerk. His tour of duty as a company clerk will serve him in good stead as a school teacher. By now it is certain he has heard every excuse for any situation and can judge future renditions accordingly.

To keep the chair warm and the wheels turning after Cpl. Dutchover's exit, Cpl. Everett H. Benson has joined the 1st ETD. Cpl. Benson hails from Anoka, Minn. A former farmer and capable carpenter, he will man the mill for his remaining three months in the service.

**WHO'S WHO:** First in Sergeant Paulson's popularity poll is PFC Bobo, nuff said.

**TIPS:** Sgt. Leslie Perkins, Supply Sgt. of 1st ETD, is not a bookie, but he is still responsible for a lot of "tips" in this organization. To be exact, he takes in bad tips and gives out good tips. You don't have to be an actor to take your cue from this.

The EM of the 1st ETD follow the unwritten SOP of playing pool as much as time permits. The frequent use of the cue sticks results in the loss of tips. Sgt. Perkins being a good tipster soon replaces them so that the cry "Eight ball in the corner pocket" will never cease to echo in the 1st ETD game room.

**THIS IS THE NEW ARMY . . .** The recruiting Sgt. never told you this, but in the Army you are serenaded to sleep, at least in the 1st ETD you are. Two PFC's at the present nameless, make a good harmonica and "git-box" combo. These "second story" men soothe the jangled nerves at the day's

end. For y'all not cultured enough to know what a "git-box" is, that is a guitar.

**ADD EVENING MUSICALS . . .** Sgt. J.D. Garrison serves warning to a certain freckled face ukelele player, often seen on CBS-TV, to prepare to move over. Sgt. Garrison hasn't received "How to Play the Uke in Ten Easy Lessons", yet, but all by himself, he has mastered four chords. The plunk, plunk, plunk, you hear is the search for the fifth, or lost, chord.

**INTERNATIONAL FLAVOR . . .** For the past four weeks, 1st ETD has been host to Sgts of the Royal Canadian Electrical Engineer's Corps. Sgt. Geo. McIntyre, S Sgt. William Glover and S/Sgt. Leonard Gribble are now on their way to Ft. Bliss, Texas for further TDY. Your reporter had a pleasant chat with one of the visitors, attempting to give him a preview of what to expect in Texas. Jolly good trip to you chaps.

**HOWCUM DEPT . . .** As Jimmie Hatlo says, "They'll do it every time." Pfc's Vernon D. Reeves, Edward R. Walsh, George S. York, and Leslie W. Shafer, who recently arrived from Ft. Monmouth, were delayed in their enrollment in school. To provide

them with something to do while waiting for school to start they were detailed to chop weeds and cut grass around 1st ETD's new barracks. Such was far from being a cold or even cool job in this climate, but with perseverance, the former "jungle" was turned into a garden spot. What happens then? The construction crews for the other new buildings by the 1st ETD send their graders and bulldozers over the newly made lawn and plow it up for a parking lot.

**INTERESTING ITEMS . . . .** From the reading room of 1st ETD the issue of Collier's magazine for Sept 3, has an article that should be of interest to those who plan to stay in electronics. Beginning on page 61 of that issue is "Sterelectronics", "steros" a Greek word meaning solid and "Electronics" are the source words of the title. In brief it tells of the developments in the field of transistors and similar devices. The article tells of the TV set of the future having a screen separate from the chassis and flat enough to be hung on the wall like a picture. Looks like the portrait of mother-in-law over the mantle is on the way out in the home of the future.



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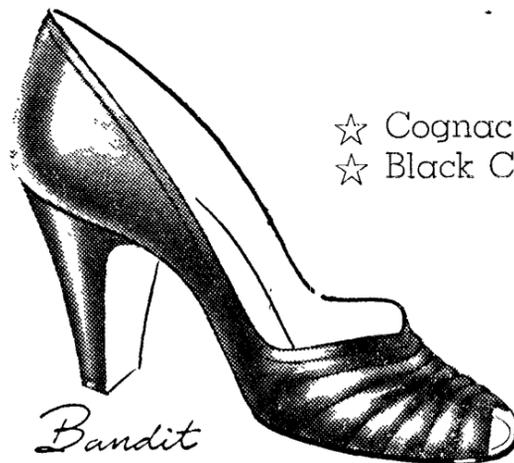


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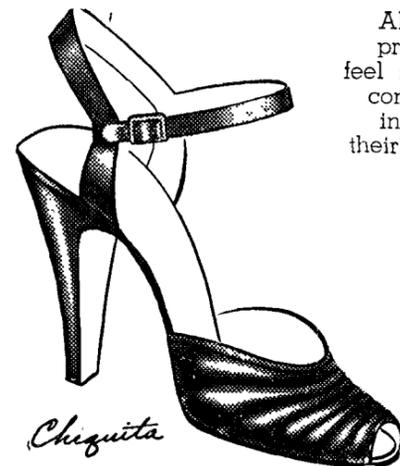
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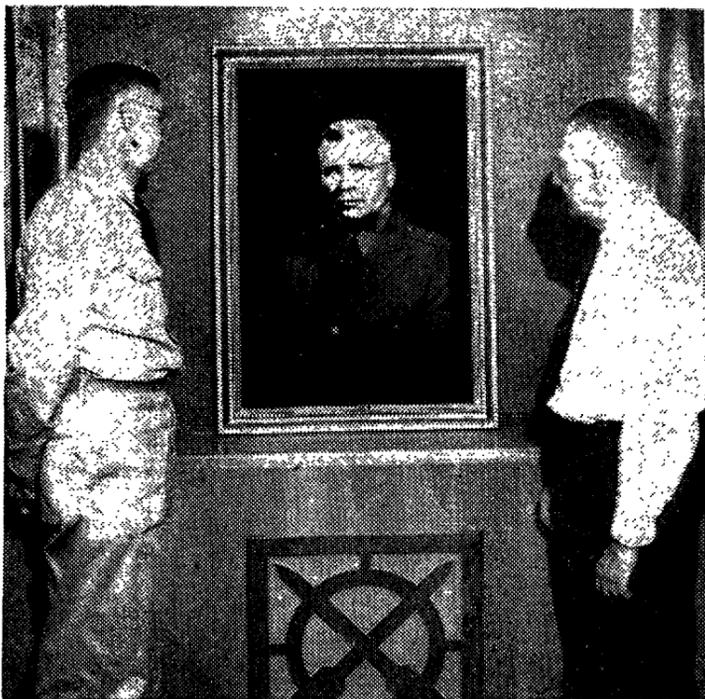
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**PRESENTS PORTRAIT**—George Walter, right, is shown with General Toftoy looking at the portrait of Redstone former CG, General Vincent, which Walter and the city of Huntsville presented to Redstone. Walter, local artist and sign painter, made the silk screen process portrait from an enlarged official photo of General Vincent. The portrait, located in the commanding general's front office, is on nylon black velvet. (Photo by Billy Smith)

**CONSOLIDATED SUPPLY**  
BY MARILYN MILNER

Deflated pocket books and inflated people are a sure sign that trekking to various points of interest has been continuing. One consolation in regard to inflation is that if they can't attain the Dior look they can give Marilyn Monroe plenty of competition.

Any resemblance below to actual people, figures, and finances is purely coincidental.

Sarasota and St. Petersburg, Fla., were the vacation spots for Capt. Joe and Lena Grace Hinesley and family, while John Zolnier attended dog races in Daytona. Mr. Zolnier helped his deflated pocket book by winning \$50 at these races. His extra poundage showed that he was well fed while in Florida. Lena Grace, also put on some attractive pounds.

Margaret Schlotterbeck has been to Cherokee, Iowa, to visit her parents; Erma Draper to see parents in Kalamazoo, Mich.; Roslyn Daniel has returned from her visit to Atlanta; Libbie Cochran went to Red Boiling Springs, Tennessee; Alice Goggins to New Orleans; and Kathryn Adams and Helen White spent a weekend in "taking in" Nashville. Pauline Michele has been visiting in-laws in Alexandria, Virginia.

Eunice Chall is on maternity leave and a baby girl checked in at the Charles Bowen home last week.

David Gill, Leland McConnelly and Leo Horton are convalescing following a car wreck 20 miles north of Decatur. Jim Fox's wife is resting comfortably following her recent operation.

W. C. Adam's son has been here on leave from Camp Gordon, Georgia.

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Airplanes fly so fast nowadays you'd almost think they were trying to beat some poor traveler back to the bank with his peculiar check.

a mascot — a stray pooch of undetermined pedigree.

Among Billy Graham's audience in Nashville last week were Jane Graham, Vera Coffey, and Lavene and Ellis Hollingsworth.

Syble Richardson has transferred to Plants Area One. Rilla Steelman to the Warehouse Office and Pvt. Lawrence Lee to Ft. Benning, Ga. Good luck to all of you on your new jobs.

The latest additions to our Division are Gradine Nichols, Temple Nell Hall, Ruby Barrett, Teddy Butler and WOJG Joe Holley.

Seven tables of bridge were in progress at Couple's Bridge Club on Sept. 13 at the Officers Open Mess. The club will welcome canasta players, and those interested are invited to attend the next meeting which will be held on Sept. 27 at 7 p.m. with Lt. and Mrs. Richard H. Meyer, Jr. as host and hostess. Lt. Gene Lessieu and Mrs. Meyer were the high score winners on the 13th. Lt. and Mrs. Robert Yeager held the second high scores, and the low score winners were Capt. Richard Jones and Mrs. Edward Bartunek.

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BY LUCILE EZELL

In our Emergency March of Dimes campaign, Bldg. 412 contributions were \$48 and with all the shops the total amounted to approximately \$200. Thanks to everyone who contributed.

School days are with us again—The bell rang Wednesday and everybody is busy with the three B's, Books, Ball, and Band. Eugeal Brooks had to take off, she said to enroll her daughter, but who can tell as she is an old school marm — could be she had to return to ease the urge for her old profession. Be careful and don't let the School Bug bite you again. Mary Fann Couch writes us she is having a wonderful time on her vacation, money running short she is asking W. I. Wilbanks to make out travel expenses—you will recover with only a couple of pay checks, Fann. Don't worry.

**GO WEST YOUNG MAN** — That is what we had to say to Richard Taylor as he went on TDY for California. Richard re-

ports World Premier seeing 37 movie stars.

Have you seen the latest picture? We mean of Freddie Mounts—he's the only one in Bldg. 412 who knows what he's doing. It is B-o-o-t-h, at least that's what Joy Simpson Booth wants everyone to know how to spell her new name. Like John Wilkes Booth, although there is no other resemblance than the name.

**BACK YARD ENTERTAINING**—If you've been invited to Carolyn Nolte's house to see her Siamese kittens go for they are getting meaner and bigger by the day. Any visitor should be prepared to be pounced on. When they are grown they will be as big as panthers.

Add to our cradle roll little Teresa Rose Ezell, granddaughter of Mrs. Lucile Ezell. W.K. Matern is not the only proud grandparent these days.

**OUR VACATIONERS**—Mr. Kurers, C. R. Major, Mary F. Couch, Steve Little, and others that won't let it be known. Steve had a wonderful time down in Florida . . . hasn't told all about it yet. Labor Day travelers: Jean Bratton went to Atlanta, brought back many pretty pictures showing how Atlanta has grown. Others report "Coon on the Log," barbecues, stews, and what have you.

**Million-Hour Mark Passed By Thiokol**

Thiokol Corporation had completed over 11 months without a disabling injury before an Aug. 17 accident ended this outstanding safety record, according to Ed Summers, Safety Office.

In this time, 1,188,687 man hours were worked without a disabling injury, he said. This unusual accomplishment was acknowledged by General Toftoy in a letter of commendation to the company.

The last accident at Thiokol, prior to the Aug. 17 event, occurred Sept. 15, 1953, when an explosion took the lives of four employees.

**RESERVISTS TO HEAR ELIAS**

Col. Paul Elias, chief of Field Service Division, will talk on the Far East at the next meeting of the Huntsville Chapter of the Reserve Officers Association.

The meeting will be held at 7:15 p.m. tomorrow at Clark Steadman's Restaurant on the Athens Highway.



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# Weird Tests Conducted

The Army is doing strange things with rockets at Redstone. It is shifting them mercilessly from ovens to deep freezes, dropping them on concrete, shaking them violently, spraying them with salt water, and mounting headlights in their noses before firing them.

This may sound silly but it's deadly serious—and it's all in the interest of providing United States Army soldiers with the most effective, fool proof weapons science can devise.

Supersonic rockets must be able to take a beating and still be ready for use against an enemy, and Army scientists at Redstone figure that if rockets still will take to the air after they have finished giving them the full treatment they'll stand up under normal knocking about by troops in the field.

Joe Rush, chief of Redstone's Rocket Development Division, said, "thorough and ruthless testing is vital if we are to develop safe and effective rockets for use in the field."

"You can design what looks like the best rocket in the world," Rush said, "but if it won't fly,

it's not a rocket."

Using headlights in the noses of rockets has made one tough job of the Redstone scientists much easier. The rockets are fired at night and the headlights make them much easier to track in flight. In daytime, even the most alert and sharpest-eyed have difficulty following the elusive missiles through the skies.

Not all rockets fly through the air, incidentally. Some are magnetized and fired horizontally just a few feet above the ground. They zip with lightning-like speed through pickup coils spaced at exact intervals. Radar and high speed movie cameras then gather precise data.

John Womble, Deputy chief of the Rocket Development Division, said sometimes newly-designed rockets blew up, came apart, or wandered off course. Rarely, if ever, he said, is a satisfactory rocket developed without some modification in the original design.

"They have improved considerably since World War II," he said. "Some fly at several times the speed of sound and are much more accurate than their predecessors. The greater the speed, the more accurate the rocket."

Rush disclosed that two types of rockets now are being developed at Redstone.

One is a precision rocket — a highly accurate missile that is designed to hit such a target as an individual missile.

The other is a "shotgun" rocket. These are fired in clusters—like pellets from a shotgun. While not as accurate as a precision rocket, a cluster sometimes has a better chance to register a kill.

One of the biggest problems in flight testing rockets is finding them after they land. This is a "must" for only by doing so can the scientists gather all the information they need to improve design or performance.

A logical solution was to place observers in the approximate area of impact, but this had its obvious hazards.

However, Army Ordnance came up with the solution with little effort. They loaned the scientists a few tanks. Now the observers button up the hatches when they get the word that a missile is "on the way" and watch from safely inside the steel hulls of the armored vehicles.

## TRANSPORTATION DIVISION

BY NAOMI EDELSTEIN

Hi there: I hope by now everybody is back in the swing of things after our nice long Labor Day weekend.

Who said "Parting is such sweet sorrow?" We're losing one of our fellow workers this week, so let's bid adieu to Mary Jim Esslinger who is returning to Auburn. It's been nice having you with us.

We still have vacationers pouring in and out of Transportation. Lucille Kilpatrick just returned from a nice quiet week at her home in Boaz. CWO Johnson spent a few weeks in his home state of Minnesota and Billie Green spent a week in the Smoky Mountains. She saw the Mountain Indian Pageant and said it was just beautiful.

Betty Bailey and husband welcomed an income tax exemption two weeks ago in the form of a 7 pound 3/4 ounce baby boy. Congratulations Betty and Jack!

We have a few people on the sick list. Let's wish a speedy recovery to Nina Perry and Ruth Athey's husband, Lawrence.

Have you been in the vicinity of Transp lately? If you have, you know that they are re-building Neal Road. Once in a while we've had to park across the railroad tracks down the hill and walk up. I guess I can say the exercise

## FIRST GREEN UNIFORMS EXPECTED TO BE ISSUED BY SEPT., 1956

3RD ARMY HEADQUARTERS, Fort McPherson, Ga. — The Department of the Army has announced its plans for distributing the new Army green uniform to enlisted personnel.

Present plans call for issuance of one green uniform starting about September 1, 1956. The second uniform issued will be the familiar olive drab (shade 33) which is currently in use. After that date the new uniform will be authorized for wear except in formations. It is expected that the new uniform will be available by that time for sale in both Quartermaster Corps outlets and thru commercial sources.

No firm date has yet been definitely determined on which two Army green uniforms will be issued. It is estimated, however, that this will be sometime late in 1958. By the latter part of 1960, it is anticipated that wearing of olive drab by the active Army will be prohibited.

Accessories now authorized for wear with the Army green uniform are as follows:

Shoes, black low quarters, identical with those worn by Navy and Air Force personnel; socks, black, replacing the present tan; neckties, black, replacing the present dark green.

Service (visored) caps will be Army green, with enlisted men wearing black leather chin straps, and officers and warrant officers wearing gold or gold colored chin straps. The visor will be black leather for enlisted men, warrant officers, and company grade officers.

The cap authorized for field

is good for us, but I think that is about all I'd say. From now on we will be referred to as the "Jungle Patrol". That isn't all. Last week while the digging was going on outside, a pipe line was broken which completely and I do mean completely, cut off our water supply. But out of the goodness of his heart and the understanding of human nature, Ralph Lister transported us from Transp to the Locomotive Shop at regular intervals. And thanks to Sgt. Bob Stanley and Cpl. Bob Gore for supplying us with a barrel of "cool water." I think they had an ulterior motive other than being awfully sweet. How about it boys? What would you do without that cup of coffee.

What with all the noise the bulldozers, other mechanical devices and the whip-snapping of Superior Charlie Chatham going on, don't be startled if you should telephone up here and have someone literally scream in your ear. Please bear with us until things ar back to normal. Bye for now.

grade officers will be embroidered with gold nylon or rayon oak leaves. Embroidered gold bullion oak leaves will be for caps of general officers. All cap bands will be plain green except for general officers who will have embroidered gold bullion oak leaves.

Garrison (overseas) caps will be Army green, with all personnel wearing a cord edge braid of matching green in place of the present distinctive braids and branch colored pipings.

Poplin shirt will be modified slightly to harmonize with the Army green uniform. This does not affect the cotton khaki summer shirt.

The chevrons will be changed from the present olive drab and black to green and gold.

## MP HI-LITES

BY DICK HECTOR

After a short "Chineses Leave" much to my regrets, I, like McArthur, have returned. First and foremost, I would like to officially welcome MSGT A. C. (Rebel) Taylor, fortunately no relation to PFC Carl L. (Goober) Taylor, who will soon be 1st Sgt. MSGT William J. (Boat Patrol) Stanley is awaiting his orders and commission as a Warrant Officer. One thing about "Old Boat Patrol". He says that as soon as he gets the warrant, a party will be in order.

Speaking of parties, the 803rd is having another one of those famous company parties in conjunction with the 13th anniversary of the Military Police Corps.

While in Chicago I ran into (Ex) Sgt. LeRoy (Little Red) Dugger, who is now following in the footsteps of Pvt-2 Harry (Sorrowful Jones) Menadier, the ex-bookie from Brooklyn. In a few short years the name of "Dugger" will rank with Capone, Fusco, Gioe, etc. By that time though he will probably have moved to Las Vegas, where the action is hotter. Congratulations (Belated) to Cpl's Sam (Rhine Wine) Clay, Gary (Hot Rod) Hancock and PFC Wayne (Sleepy) Woodlee on their recent promotions. Also, to 2nd Lt Robert E. (Stonewall) Yost,

on the acquisition of a new girl friend.

Just as a sideline the following is offered: I was talking to Mrs. Taylor, of Military Personnel, the other day and she said that she saw MSGT George (S-4) Dull holding a baby and wondered if it were his. The baby was human though and it was determined that it must belong to somebody else. Just received a hot tip that 2n Lt. Joseph M. (Pisano) Ruccio is resting from a vigorous 10 days in New Jersey and that 2d Lt. James J. (RA) Niland, Jr., is soon to depart for the Pennsylvania coal mines.

We had a report from 25th MPCID, in Birmingham that a Strange little fellow was seen sneaking from the pass writer shack near gate 14 every day at about 2:15 p.m. He isn't a stranger though, he is Sgt. Antonio M. (Gumballe) Ubalde, a Ubangi and stalwart member of the 803rd and also a new father.

A border state is where an MG pulls up to the curb and a guy gets out wearing, among other things, cowboy boots and a beret.

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# Sports



**WINS MODEL CONTEST**—Cpl. James Singleton, 9352 TSU, holds the Dooling "61" with which he took first prize in the Class B speed event at the Nashville Model Aircraft Contest recently. Singleton, who builds his own ships, has held several world records in the past. His best speed with one of his planes is 138 mph. The trophy was presented to him in Nashville. (Photo by Billy Smith)

## RSA SOLDIER WINS SPEED CONTEST WITH HOME-BUILT MODEL AIRCRAFT

Redstone is by now well known for having outstanding soldiers in many unusual fields.

The latest example of this to come to the attention of The Rocket is Cpl. James Singleton, 9352 TSU. His specialty is model airplanes . . . and he has held several world records for the speed of his miniature crafts.

Cpl. Singleton, a 21-year-old native of Augusta, Ga., just returned from a model aircraft contest in Nashville where he walked off with first prize in the Class B speed contest. His Dooling '61' clipped off the impressive speed of 125 miles per.

An impressive speed, but not,

said Cpl. Singleton, the best his planes have flown.

Using his own hand-made planes, Singleton has held world records in four different classes. His top speed is 138 mph with a Class C. entry.

Singleton has entered several national and international contests where entries are by invitation only. He has taken first prizes in more than one of these contests.

The model planes are flown, Singleton explained, on the end of a 70-foot stainless steel music wire. After eight years of this "hobby that's more than a hobby," Singleton is an old hand at racing his ships against the best in all parts of the country.

## 9352 Softballers Enter Tournament

The 9352 TSU softball team defeated Redstone champions, the 9330 "A" team in the military playoffs to determine the team to represent Redstone in the Third Army Tournament, which started at Ft. McPherson, yesterday.

The 9352 dropped the "A" team 9-1 in a night contest last Tuesday. The 9330 "B" team took second place in the military event when they won from the 9330 "A" team by a forfeiture.

The 9352 unleashed a dynamic new secret weapon in the person of Corporal Ed Shumsky who abandoned his usual center field chores to assume control of the mound. This member of Hq & Hq Co's Demolition Squad caused the Bombs to fizzle and pop as ineffectively as firecrackers. Shumsky's pitching kept the Bombs handcuffed so that they were unable to secure any more than three hits, two walks, and one run . . . the run scoring when a hit, good for a single, took a bad hop and bounced over the center-fielder's head.

The Bombs experienced no difficulty hitting the ball, but when they weren't popping up or dribbling them ineffectively to the infield, competent ball-handling kept them under control. Since at no time there was a serious threat of recovery or Shumsky's weakening, it was unnecessary to call on either of those ace starters,

## SIX SERVICE ATHLETES TRAIN FOR PENTATHLON BEHIND IRON CURTAIN

Berlin, Germany (AFPS)—Six U. S. servicemen — four Army and two Navy—are training here for a special assignment behind the Iron Curtain.

They are all athletes, practicing for the modern world pentathlon to be held in Budapest, Hungary, Oct. 10-14.

From this group three participants and one alternate will be chosen to represent the U. S. in the international meet—a meet the U. S. has never won.

**These men were selected from a group of nine athletes who performed in the triathlon competition at the Interservice Track and Field Championships at Camp Lejeune, N. C., in late June.**

They have been trained for a month in riding and fencing—the two sports not included in the triathlon—and at the end of train-

ing the group was cut to six. The modern pentathlon consists of five events: riding, swimming, fencing, pistol-shooting and a cross-country run. The six servicemen are:

1st Lt. David C. Miller, Fort Benning, Ga.—Former captain of the University of Denver swimming team and Interservice triathlon champion.

1st Lt. Harlan W. Johnson, 118th Eng. Bn. USAREUR—Placed second in the Interservice triathlon and was a member of the U. S. pentathlon team in the 1952 Olympics.

2nd Lt. Edgar A. O'Hair, 44th FA Bn., USAREUR — Third in the Interservice triathlon and was a swimmer and cross-country runner at West Point.

Pvt. Alan Wadsworth, Camp Gordon, Ga.—Led the Oberlin College (Ohio) cross-country team and was a member of the school's swimming team.

ENS William J. Andre, USN, USS Albany—Dartmouth College cross-country star and member of the U. S. modern pentathlon team that competed in Crili in 1953.

Norman E. Brinker, JO3, San Diego Naval Training Center, Calif.—A U. S. equestrian ace.

## SMALL BUT EAGER SQUAD WORKS FOR SATURDAY'S OPENING GAME

Redstone's football prospects were somewhat dimmed by the small turn-out for practice during the last two weeks. With the first game of the season coming up this Saturday, the Rockets have hardly had enough prospects present at practice sessions for full team scrimmages.

Head Coach (Maj.) Ed Long and Line Coach (Capt.) Rocco Petrone believe, however, that wrinkles will be ironed out and a larger squad will be at work this week.

Starting line-up for Saturday's game, which starts at 7:30 p.m. at Linton Field, is still unsettled. The backfield will probably be Spinelli at quarterback, Cruden at full, and Woodlee and Studeville at the halves.

The line is still shifting, except at the guards where Muratore and Signora have the inside track.

But these two veterans from last year are having to fight off challenges from two rugged newcomers, DiPolvere and Gore—both top flight guards who will see a lot of action this year.

Webster and Kurtti, two small but tough centers, leave that position in pretty good shape.

At the tackles, King, Alba and Hawks are in the lead for the two top spots.

At the ends, Collins, Graham, and Modoc are in the run to hold down the first string flank spots. Collins and Graham are back from last year.

All in all, the Rockets look good—but thin, too thin. Injuries to one or two key players could wreck Redstone's hopes.

## FOOTBALLERS OPEN SEASON

The 1954 gridiron edition of the Redstone Rockets swings into action at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 25, against a regimental team from Ft. Benning, Ga.

The game will be played under lights at Redstone's Linton Field.

## SPORTS ROUNDUP

By JOE CELENTANO, JO1, USN (AFPS Sports Writer)

From where I sit, the Yankees and Dodgers is dead! . . . World Series gets underway at the Polo Grounds in New York Sept. 29. Starting pitchers: Bob Lemon (Indians vs. Sal Maglie (Giants). This will be probably your only chance

to see a barber try his darndest to shave a lemon . . . Should Gene Conley of the Milwaukee Braves quit baseball and return to professional basketball with the Boston Celtics? Ask the Dodgers—for the six-foot-eight righthanded pitcher has whipped the Bums five times, twice with shutouts.

Pity the play-by-play announcer at the University of North Carolina this football season. The Tarheel roster includes such tongue-twisters as Stavnitski, Marcinko, Muschamp, Boyette, Marcopulos, and Klochak . . . Michigan State grid fans are going to miss Biggie Munn. In the seven years that Munn coached the Spartans, 15 players made all-American teams. Munn has moved up to director of athletics at State. When Stockton College in California opens its '54 grid slate, Amos Alonzo Stagg—the Connie Mack of college football—starts his 65th consecutive season on the gridiron. Stagg is only 92.

The decline of hand-kissing is lamented by a society chronicler, but maybe more American men would kiss ladies' hands if they could find one without a cigarette in it.

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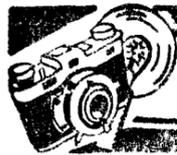
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### FORT McPHERSON SERGEANT IS 'PERPETUAL SANTA CLAUS'

FORT McPHERSON, GA. — A "year-round Santa Claus" was discovered recently at Fort McPherson, Ga., in the person of a small, white-headed Army Sergeant who has been in the service for more than 30 years.

M/Sgt. Madison B. Viers, of Storm Lake, Iowa, is doing deeds of kindness and mercy that have made him a legend to personnel at Fort McPherson, on the outskirts of Atlanta, Ga.

M/Sgt. Viers, a clerk for seven years in the Post Finance Office, is one of those rare individuals who goes "the second mile" in doing service to his fellow man.

An Army reporter heard of Viers' many generous acts, and went to interview the 60-year-old benefactor . . . With touching humility, Sgt. Viers just clammed up, and gave absolutely no clue to the many wonderful things he does for his fellow men.

His only comment was, "I just do what anybody else would do."

So, the reporter began quizzing Viers' working associates and uncovered a fabulous tale of service and sacrifice that the master sergeant has lived for many years.

One of Viers' prime concerns is the family of an old Army buddy now dead. During his friend's illness, which left him bedridden for several months before his demise, Viers made frequent visits to his hospital bed bearing packages of food, books, and flowers.

Ever since his friend's death Viers has become a second father to the children of his buddy. He visits their home regularly, bearing clothes and food for them, money for the bills, and cheer for the loneliness.

Every evening after duty hours, Viers makes a quiet trip to the Post Hospital wards, and passes out fruit, books, candy, and magazines to the patients.

He very often sends toys to children of the hospital-confined patients. He also sends toys to

children of the personnel who work in the Finance Office.

Several of Viers' fellow-workers have received gift subscriptions to national magazines from an unknown donor—they all know it to be Viers.

One civilian secretary who works with the "angel of the Finance Office" calls him a "perpetual Santa Claus." She said, "Practically every day the people who work around Sgt Viers find something in a green bag on their desk. It is usually fruit—sometimes candy or cookies.

"Viers never mentions the gifts," she related, "but we all know he gives them, because he always comes to work early and the gifts are present when the rest of us arrive."

His co-worker disclosed another facet of his unending generosity, when she said, "And every evening when the office closes, he stands by the door and passes out magazines and books to all the employees. When we try to refuse them, he invariably says, 'I'm all finished with them,' but he bought them brand new just to give to us."

The owner of a grocery store-magazine stand just outside the Post estimated that Viers spends at least \$20 per week on magazines and fruit—all of which he presumably gives away.

Another recipient of his gifts remarked, "He gives you things in such a quiet and humble way, you are doing him a favor by accepting."

The last time Viers re-enlisted, he took his re-enlistment bonus, divided it into equal portions, and mailed it in sealed envelopes to the other enlisted men of the Finance Office—of course without signing the envelopes.

Of his total paycheck of \$305, per month, Viers sends more than \$125 to relatives in allotments. And he is sending a niece through college and sends money regularly to two sisters.

Once, when the Finance Office was having a Christmas luncheon, Viers was given an engraved pocket watch for his many kind deeds.

Before the luncheon was over, he had given his old watch to someone else!

His friends say that there is no way of knowing how much he has given away in his lifetime or how many lives he has made happy—no one knows except the benefactors of his gracious acts, because he never speaks of them himself.

Viers' devotion to the military and to his duties has drawn praise from his superiors wherever he has served for the past 30 years. He almost never takes a pass; has had only two leaves in the past four years; and works any and all hours he is needed.

Every morning, before duty time, Viers can be seen walking about the Post "policing the area"—picking up trash, cigarette butts, etc.

Among his tours of duty in the service are four years in the Panama Canal Zone; three years in the Philippines; and many assignments in the states, including the job of setting up a Finance and Fiscal Office at the re-activating Camp Rucker, Ala., in 1951.

### Toyland to Open At PX Next Monday

Toyland is scheduled to begin operating behind the Snack Bar in the Main Post Exchange on Monday, Sept. 27.

The present schedule, which the Post Exchange Officer expects to change later, is to open the doors at 1 p.m. through 5 p.m. on weekdays. Saturdays, Toyland will open at 11 a.m. and close at 2

### REDSTONE DEPOT

BY A. A. STEWART

Here we are well into the second phase of an excellent Executive Development Program with enthusiastic participation from all segments of the arsenal. Speaking of development programs, we have here in the depot instituted a program in which we will endeavor to further develop all supervisory personnel in planning, evaluating, and managing depot activities. Maybe you have a development program being carried out in your organization that you would like to share the idea with us. Why don't we exchange ideas?

Our Depot Chief, Colonel Ebbert, has just returned from a few days' leave which obviously was refreshing. Although he has been very quiet about what he did, we would wager a small sum that he did some fishing. No kidding, 'tis one of the best ways we know to completely relieve yourself of worldly cares. Can you think of a better way to completely relax than to lazily drift across slightly rippling water in the sun comfortably warming the refreshing breeze as you do just enough piscatorial picking to keep you from going to sleep and falling out of the boat? Those of us who have experienced this complete relaxation earnestly recommend it. Those of you who are relatively young but have knots in your shoulders and neck, wrinkles in your face, and too much silver in your hair because of frustration and worry should try it. We don't know whether the colonel caught any fish or not but we bet he did some drifting lazily just for the fun of it. Huh! colonel!

Well! What do you know — we now have the boys from Safety complimenting us — one representative from the Arsenal Safety Office says, "Your housekeeping, general storage layout, and storage conditions are the best that I have ever seen." Knowing that this individual has really been around and observed conditions at many installations, we are exceedingly proud of the compliment.

Conversation topics around the depot lately have been "Big Edna", local football teams and the surging drive of contending teams for the National and American league championships. Yes, just as "Big Edna" passed on and the Yankees were soundly thrashed by the Cleveland Indians, we begin to hear another chant of victory. This victorious chant came from Messrs. Warren Bell, James Day, Claude Davis, Wilburn Dickey and John Leak who were elected by their co-workers to serve on our Operational Planning Board. Members of this board are first and second line supervisors who will work very closely with Depot Operating Personnel and Depot Management Personnel in evaluating the effectiveness of various programs, developing plans for improvement programs and the execution of new as well as improvement programs. You know they will sort of shall we say, represent both labor and management. You may rest assured that you will be hearing more about the activities of this group.

The common phrase heard around the General Supply Storage Section these days is "Don't do this" or "Don't do that" because DOC SAFETY may be watching you. Since the boys were shown a safety film depicting a doctor who was a safety pest, they have had a DOC SAFETY each week. DOC SAFETY for the week roams the operation areas and records each potential safety hazard and each violation of Common Sense Safety he sees. A meeting of the storage group is held each week to have DOC SAFETY report violations observed during the week. After discussion by the group, the person with the largest number of violations is DOC SAFETY for the following week. You can be sure that no one wants the job of DOC SAFETY. By the way — DOC SAFETY does not leave anyone out regardless of rank. If you think so, ask some of the ranking supervisors. Yes, 'tis just another way of preventative safety and the boys have a little fun, too. We feel that with this type safety consciousness, the Depot will remain on the Arsenal Safety Honor Roll for a long, long time.

p.m. Savings on these nationally advertised toys will be from 20 per cent to 35 per cent. A lay-away plan is available and any combination of merchandise totaling \$10 can be put on lay-away.

Some of the lines featured are Horseman dolls, Ideal dolls, Pressman Toys, Louis Marx Toys, Lionel Trains, Gibbert educational toys and others.



1ST LT. DONALD JORDAN

### Son of Executive Wins Hero's Medal

First Lt. Donald R. Jordan, son of Lt. Col. H. R. Jordan, Redstone executive officer, was awarded

### BUTLER HIGH BAND PLAYS

Arrangements were made for the Huntsville high school band to furnish the music for the celebration of Lt. Benjamin Wilson's return to Huntsville, but they were later unable to appear. The Butler high school band then agreed to fill the engagement, and played during the ceremony.

Next to hitting a utility pole, nothing can make your car look worse than having the pictures of next year's models come out.

the Soldier's Medal for heroism not involving actual conflict with an enemy.

The Soldier's Medal is the Army's top award for heroism not actually involving combat with an enemy.

The action leading to the medal occurred in North Korea on July 25. Four men were washed downstream in the Hantan Chon River during a storm when the cable ferry in which they were crossing the river capsized.

Two of the men managed to swim to shore, but the other two were swept downstream until they were able to grasp the remnants of a washed out pontoon bridge.

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