

**CITED**—Garland G. Buckner (right) is congratulated by Wilbur S. Davis, Chief Purchasing and Contracting Division, upon receiving a Certificate of Achievement from Maj. Gen. K. L. Hastings, Quartermaster General, for being the Honor Graduate at the Quartermaster School, Fort Lee, Va. General Toftoy wrote a letter of appreciation to Mr. Buckner, who will be a contracting officer for Redstone Arsenal. Mr. Buckner was tops in a Quartermaster course that contained students from the technical service of all the branches of the Armed Forces, selected on a nationwide basis.

## CELEBRATION IS THIS SATURDAY

### Armed Forces Day Plans Are Made

The Corporal and Honest John will highlight a vast panorama of arsenal equipment, illustrating many phases of Redstone Arsenal work, on the Courthouse Square, Armed Forces Day, Saturday, May 21. The Naval Reserve Training Center, National Guard, and the Redstone divisions of Rohm & Haas and Thiokol will also provide displays.

The celebration will start with a parade at 10:30 a.m. which will include Redstone Arsenal troops, a delegation from the Naval Reserve Training Center, representatives of veterans organizations, the Red Cross, and other groups connected with the armed forces.

The National Guard will exhibit a group of antiaircraft artillery weapons on mobile carriages.

The Naval Reserve Training Center will hold open house all day Saturday with guided tours through the building. In addition, the Naval Reserve will have a display on the Square which includes a continuous movie, gas masks, and oxygen breathing apparatus, a shallow water diving outfit, small arms, and a model of lifeboat handling equipment.

The Naval Air Station will exhibit aircraft weapons, including machine guns, rockets and bombs, and large photographs of all types of Naval aircraft.

Two Navy F4U "Corsairs" will be on public display at the Huntsville airport from 9 to 2 on Saturday.

The arsenal exhibits include, in addition to the Corporal and Honest John, a Nike guided missile on its portable trailer, a large exhibit of cutaway views of artillery shells and rockets, a 24-tube, mobile rocket launcher, color photographs of test firings, a variety of special cameras used for rocket tests, several examples of electronic test equipment, a display of headlight rockets used for night tests, several movies, a display of machine tools, several types of

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## Astronomical Group Slates Telescope

A number of Redstone Arsenal employes are participating in the newly organized Rocket City Astronomical Association which is planning to construct an observatory with a sixteen-and-a-half inch reflector telescope on Monte Sano in the near future.

President of the new organization is Dr. Wernher von Braun. Vice president is B. Spencer Isbell. Samuel F. Pruitt is secretary and Edwin W. Priddy treasurer of the group.

Committee chairmen include Dr. Martin Schilling (Astronomical Research Committee), Dr. Ernst Stuhlinger (Real Estate and Planning), Wilhelm Angele (Observatory Construction), William Eisner (Technical Instrumentation), B. Spencer Isbell (Constitution and By-Laws), J. Robert Maulsby (Program) and George A. Ferrell (Publicity).

The proposed site for the observatory, according to Mr. Ferrell, is one mile north of the dude ranch on Monte Sano. The telescope, largest in the state, will magnify up to 500 power. It will be valued at several thousand dollars.

The association already has purchased the reflector for the telescope, and has obtained from the state the right to use the Monte Sano site for the observatory.

The association has received a cash donation from Cole Motor Co. Chase Nursery has offered to supply shrubbery for landscaping the site, Huntsville Brick and Tile Co. has agreed to donate bricks for building the observatory, and Priest Engineering Co. has offered to undertake the surveying of the site.

The next meeting of the association will be held June 2. Yearly dues for membership in the organization are \$4.

# Assistant Secretary To Visit Redstone

## Group Will Tour Test Facilities

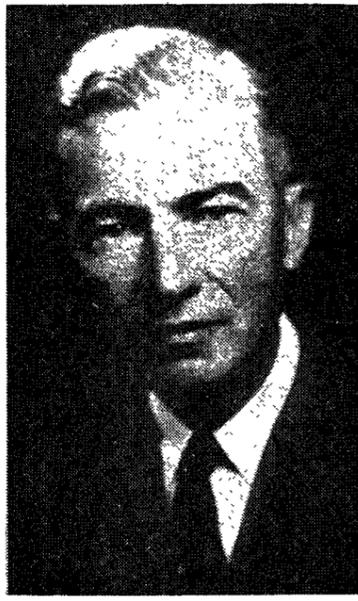
Dr. Donald A. Quarles, Assistant Secretary of Defense (Research and Development), and Lt. Gen. (Ret.) Walter Bedell Smith will tour Redstone Arsenal on Friday, May 20.

Included in the party will be Brig. Gen. John P. Daley, also of Washington. The group is scheduled to arrive late Thursday afternoon.

On Friday they will tour the Guided Missile Development Division and the static test stand areas of Redstone. They will hear talks by General Toftoy and Dr. Wernher von Braun.

Dr. Quarles, formerly vice president of the Western Electric Co. and president of Sandia Corp., became an Assistant Secretary of Defense in September of 1953. Prior to his appointment he served as chairman of the Committee on Electronics under the Joint Research and Development Board.

Mr. Smith was Dwight D. Eisenhower's chief of staff during World War II, subsequently served three years as U.S. ambassador to Russia, and then returned to Washington to head the Central Intelligence Agency. He retired recently.



DR. DONALD A. QUARLES

## \$5,504 Collected In Cancer Drive

A total of \$5,504.89, a per capita average of 62 cents, was donated by Redstone Arsenal and contractor employes to the 1955 Cancer Society drive in Madison County.

Arsenal contributions exceeded the county quota which was \$5,400.

Major Emmette A. James was chairman and Don Karas was co-chairman of the Redstone drive. Both expressed their appreciation for the cooperation demonstrated throughout the campaign.

One hundred per cent participation in the drive was achieved by Mission Planning and Coordination Office, Signal Division, Army Inspector of Ordnance, Purchasing and Contracting, Legal Office, Safety Office, Civilian Personnel, Contract Administrator, and Olin-Mathieson Chemical Corp.

Contributions were Industrial Division, \$292.36; Field Service, \$251.41; Redstone Depot, \$96.50; Ammunition Division, \$425.30; Ordnance Missile Laboratories, \$1,187.09; Research and Development Division, \$72.25; OGMS, \$432.38; Mission Planning, \$31; Comptroller, \$186.46; Civilian Personnel, \$71.98.

Consolidated Supply, \$185.72; Medical Division, \$21; Property Disposal, \$9.72; Post Engineers, \$717.02; civilian personnel of Provost Marshal Division, \$102.66; Signal Division, \$46; Transportation Division, \$180.10; Ammunition Surveillance Office, \$6.25; Army Inspector of Ordnance, \$100.55; Purchasing and Contracting, \$86.25; Adjutant Division, \$94.22; Legal Office, \$13.25; Safety Office, \$30.16; Troop Command, \$276.72; Finance and Commissary Offices, \$36.57; Contract Administrator, \$11; Rohm and Haas coin collectors \$11.01; Thiokol Corporation, \$327.22; U. S. Ind. Chemical Co., \$18.25; Olin-Mathieson Chemical Corp., \$121.35; U. S. Resident Engineer, \$30.80; General Alliline and Film Co., \$16.25; RSA Open Mess, \$9.65 and NCO Club, \$6.44.

## Bids Are Sought On Redstone Job

Col. Harold E. Bisbort, Army District Engineer at Mobile, Ala., announced today that bids are being accepted by the Engineers for the job of air conditioning the enlisted men's service club now being constructed at Redstone Arsenal. A contract for constructing the club was let to Butler and Cobbs of Montgomery on April 11 in the amount of \$167,156.50.

The air conditioning work consists of the installation of a condensing unit, a cooling coil, refrigerant piping, a cooling tower, a condenser water pump and pip-

## Thiokol Gets Award For Safety Record

Dr. W. M. Mebane, General Manager of the Redstone Division, Thiokol Chemical Corporation, reports that the National Safety Council has given Thiokol an "Award of Merit" for its fine safety performance record during 1954.

Thiokol's accident rate was .7 accidents per one million man-hours of work, and the accident severity rate was .01 per one million man-hours, during 1954. This means that Thiokol's accident frequency rate was 88% above par, and its severity rate was 100% above par.

## Georgia Tech Head To Address Alumni

Col. Blake Ragsdale Van Leer, president of the Georgia Institute of Technology, will be the guest speaker at the local chapter of the Georgia Tech Alumni Association Meeting on Friday, May 27, it was announced by Gregory S. Moskov, president of the local chapter.

The Georgia Tech Alumni have planned a stag dinner meeting to be held at the Elks Club to include a social hour from 6:30 p. m. until 7:00 p. m. prior to the serving of dinner.

In addition, a film, "Expanding Frontiers", will be shown which displays Georgia Tech as an educational institute from an engineering standpoint.

The film should be of especial interest to those alumni who have been away from school a long time since it will show the new buildings and facilities recently built to meet the expanding needs for the basic training of engineers.

Other guests invited to the alumni meeting will include the principals of the high schools of Athens, Decatur and Huntsville. Arrangements for this meeting are being made by George W. Wilde, Carl Jones and David H. Newby, members of the Educational Committee.

Members desiring to attend the dinner meeting should make reservations by contacting Joe Rabern at 525 Lowell Drive, Huntsville (phone JE4-0577). Cards will be mailed to the alumni on the mailing list requesting a reply if reservations are desired.

Bids received for the work will be opened at 11 a. m. on May 24 in the District Office on Grant Street, Mobile, Alabama.

## 'BOOBY TRAPS' FIRST TRICK OF YOUNG ORDNANCE CORPS

**Third Army Headquarters, Fort McPherson.**—Veterans of World War I and II, as well as of the Korean conflict, have learned by experience about "booby traps", but few know that the U. S. Army Ordnance Corps was the first to ever use traps of this type.

It was all unintentional however, but very effective.

It all came about during the war of 1812.

The Ordnance Corps had just been formally organized.

The British troops were advancing upon Washington. American troops had to evacuate quickly the city. They had a large stock of gun powder which it was not possible for them to take with them, so the powder was stored in an old abandoned well, and then members of the U. S. Army moved out with the supplies they were able to load hastily on wagons or carry in packs on their shoulders.

The British came into Washington. They discovered the old well and realized something was stored in it. In order to investigate thoroughly the contents of the well, a lighted lantern was lowered into the well.

It was a costly lesson the British learned, for several British officers and about 30 enlisted men were killed in the terrific explosion.

From that day on, the Ordnance Corps has grown, and quite naturally reached its peak during World War II as it supplied the demands of the greatest Army ever assembled, supplying material to U. S. troops who were virtually at all points of the compass. In addition to this Herculean task, the Ordnance Corps was sending equipment and supplies to many of our allies.

As Hitler and his hordes were pushed back in Europe, and the American troops moved from island to island in the Pacific, the demands on the U. S. Army Ordnance Corps grew greater, but the Corps grew with the de-

mands. At the cessation of hostilities in 1945, the Ordnance Corps had supplied the Army with millions of tons of ammunition, guns and other equipment.

There were thousands upon thousands of different items supplied to the troops by the Ordnance Corps, many of them undreamed of prior to the beginning of the war.

Not stopping to rest on the achievements in World War II and the later Korean conflict, the Ordnance Corps has continued to progress. Among the latest weapons of the Corps will be found the 280 MM cannon, the world's mightiest gun, the "Honest John", and the "Corporal," two powerful missiles.

On May 14 the Ordnance Corps observed its 143rd anniversary, and on that date in 1812 the Corps came into being. However, as far back as 1778, the Army had a force of troops which Congress referred to as the "Ordnance Department," when they appointed two engineers and two artillery

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## Employes Receive \$895 In Awards

Through the Army Incentive Awards Program, Redstone employes were awarded a total of \$895 during the month of April.

The largest award, \$460, was presented by Brigadier General Toftoy to Mr. Niles Prestage of Post Engineer Division. Mr. Prestage suggested a system of a roving boiler watch which resulted in a first year savings of \$46,000 in adopting the suggestion.

As a supervisor, Mr. Prestage's suggestion was actually a part of his normal job responsibility; however, Army Regulations provide for an award, under certain conditions, even though the improvement is definitely job responsibility. Quoting from the pertinent regulations on the subject:

"... employe contributions of the idea type which are outside job responsibilities are eligible for award consideration whether they are minor or major in nature, or are adopted in whole or in part. If within job responsibilities they must be so outstanding as to warrant special recognition."

Another very important point in the regulations is that a suggestion or idea does not have to be new. Regardless of how old the idea is, if it is not now in practice at Redstone, and the suggester is responsible for a change in procedure or method and if his idea or suggestion was submitted

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## Hillbilly Show Slated This Week

"Western Hayride," a hillbilly variety show sponsored by Third Army Special Services, will be held on Friday, May 20, at 8 p. m. at Huntsville High auditorium, and on Thursday, May 19, at 8 p. m. at the Redstone Arsenal Service Club. Admission is free.

The show features two hillbilly singers, Don Windle and Clyde Camp, both of whom have a number of phonograph recordings to their credit.

# The Redstone Rocket

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## SAVE FOR SECURITY

This year there will be no U.S. Savings Bond "drive", but the Department of the Army is conducting a continuous effort to promote the sales of Savings Bonds, starting this month.

The primary reason for this is that our national defense program must be continuous if we are to survive as a free nation, and thus our Savings Bond Program must also be a year-round effort.

But there are excellent personal reasons for buying bonds on a regular basis. First, bonds give you the security of having money set aside in case of emergency; also, they provide a sure means for saving money which otherwise is so hard to set aside; and finally, bonds are an excellent way of letting your money make money for you.

When a bond matures, you get \$1 for every 75 cents you had put aside, and, of course, U.S. Savings Bonds are the safest investment you could make.

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Whenever you think of yourself, your future, or your country, remember U.S. Savings Bonds.



**SPECIAL LIBRARIES ASSOCIATION OFFICIALS** — Mrs. Cleo S. Cason (right) and Mrs. Jane Bentley, were named to top positions in the Alabama Chapter of the Special Libraries Association during a meeting held in Mobile recently. Mrs. Cason, chief of Redstone Arsenal's Technical Library, was elected president. Mrs. Bentley, Technical Library Cataloger, was selected secretary-treasurer.

Special Libraries Association is an international organization of libraries and information experts who serve limited clientele. In contrast to public libraries, information housed in special libraries is built around special subjects.

## PURCHASING & CONTRACTING DIV.

By Beatrice Gardner

The Purchasing & Contracting office takes pride in introducing two new additions to their family — Ruth Hines and Beatrice Gardner. A big family is a happy family, so a warm welcome girls.

In our stork department Neida Stanley has left us to make preparations for her coming event and Estelle Polk has acquired a son. We expect Estelle back to rejoin our crew in a short while, and we can readily anticipate what her favorite subject will be from now on. This must be a time for baby boys (take note, Neida) for Dorothy Medlin has a new-comer in her family, too, named William Judson. Dot is now back with us, effervescent and radiant. Dot Howard's new offspring is a son named Jo-Jac and this Dot, too, boasts a radiant appearance. Joyce Bryant has resigned for the time consuming task of managing her new family. And goodness knows who is next!

We welcome back a much missed Helen Todd of the Small Business Office. Helen is now with us after a month's sick leave and nothing does the heart so much good as welcoming a friend back from the clutches of an illness.

After being away on TDY at Fort Lee, Va., for two months, Messrs. Buckner and Lide have returned to the nest and their familiar haunting grounds. And leaving us temporarily, for a similar duty, are Messrs. Hardee and Morrison. Mr. Harry Johnston has transferred to Field Service where we hope his friends will be as numerous as those he leaves here.

Spring has come to our building with a new frock of fresh paint glimmering on our office walls and that clean, brand-new feeling in the air. If I were a poet I might say — "Blessed is Spring, for it soothes us to sing, of the glory of paint, and the cold that now ain't."

## SWIM SQUAD STARTED

Special Services has announced that Redstone Arsenal will send a swimming team to the Third Army Swimming Meet at Camp Gordon, 16 and 17 July, if enough persons for a team wish to participate. All interested military personnel are asked to submit their names to or call Special Services, Extension 2501.

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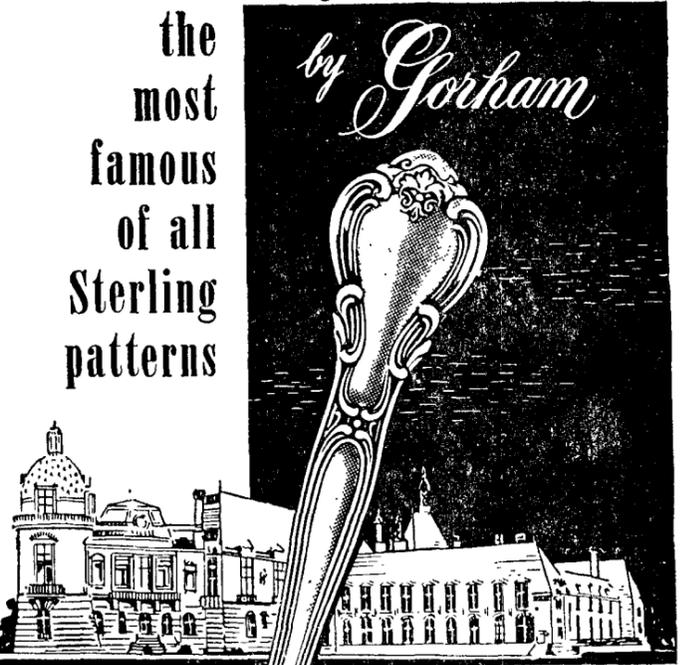
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# TROOP COMMAND

Headquarters Detachment  
By Bill West

Even a superficial reading of these columns (both OGMS and 9330) for the past few weeks reveals the fact that the major concern of Redstone Arsenal's enlisted population currently is physical training . . . the "bend and reach" and "squat thrust" variety.

As is always the case, there are two predominant attitudes. One is emotional and totally negative, while the other is coldly rational and holds that the good derived from P.T. is its own justification. Thus, those fifteen minute sessions every morning fall into the same category as taking castor oil

or receiving a typhoid injection. They are valuable but odious. There is something amiss somewhere.

Along with the inception of P.T. came the annual order to "unblouse" fatigues. The purpose of exposing the shirt tail and dropping the pant-legs is to make the soldier cooler, but this modified costume looks and feels like nothing so much as a pair of sturdy pajamas. This possible confusion must account for those black and gold "U.S. Army" labels above the left pocket.

Seven men in civilian clothes took permanent leave of Headquarters Detachment and the Army recently, and a number of others are scheduled to follow before the end of the month. The fortunate seven are Corporals Robert Cloyd, Robert Dieckgrafe, Carl Eller, Joseph Montana and William Nolte; and Privates first class Robert Ethridge and Peter V. Heller.

Although the C. Q. roster is be-

ginning to look rather slim, the K.P. balance was maintained with the arrival of Pvt. James Boyd on May 3 and Privates Robert Leftwich and Thomas Sasaki on May 7th.

Item—Over 28 dollars was collected from Headquarters Detachment payees on April 30 in behalf of the cancer drive.

Item—Pfc. Robert Ward achieved the highest score (198) in the detachment for record firing with the Carbine.

Item—Sgt. Earl Gordon is the father of an eight pound, two ounce boy born May 3.

Two practice parades and a retreat parade distinguished last week from other weeks, and this week will be noted for its Armed Forces Day exhibitions on Saturday. Luckily three out of four of these marching days are even ones; on the odd ones we have a standing invitation to the post pool.

## Detachment "A" By Carl Hensley

Many complaints are being voiced about the local girls. Now with early arsenal hours, it is indeed surprising that at least those girls working on the arsenal would cooperate. You girls are simply keeping our men up too late. With the early schedule and PT, the boys are awakened at 4:20 a. m. You-all must say goodnight and make sure that at least every other night they are all tucked in bed at 8:30 p.m. in order for those eight hours of beauty sleep.

Tom Daniels got married the other day. Whether it is due to the increased beauty sleep obtained by moving off post (off-post men report at six) or to the enjoyment of wedded bliss, we don't know, but Tom certainly seems to enjoy it. Best of luck, Tom.

Several of our detachment have found a unique or perhaps not too unique solution to the four-twenty problem. They are staying in (on week nights, at least) and working on Wayne Fey's sail boat. Wayne, an aerodynamicist, makes sure that the correct lines are adhered to. So uncompromising is the owner that occasionally he finds his staff depleted. Thanks to this attitude, however, the boat is a beauty. No one could doubt the professional quality of the job. Occasionally we have heard Don Gaillbreth mutter about the extra hours over a scratch here or a rough surface there.

There was no muttering heard from those receiving promotions last month. Raymond Sargent became Corporal. We hear that he is packing for an extensive TDY to Florida. Benjamin Svrjcek, Lawrence Nyblade, David Carlson, Glen Carter, Alfred Hartkopf, Dale Scott, Albert Walack, Leo Kline, Michael Melfi and Hugh Fleming became PFC's. Mike was happy to make it in time to ship to Europe. No one doubts, however, that Hugh will be happier to see that separation paper than the stripe.

Friday there was a retreat parade and this Saturday everyone is invited to view the technical service unit along with the military police and the guided missile school troops marching through Huntsville. Very few of the technical personnel look forward to parades to raise their own morale. However, they realize the value of such in keeping the Third Army area enlistments "ahead of them all."

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## Service Club Plans Week of Activities

Quite a few interesting functions have been planned for the week of 17-24 May for the participants in Service Club activities.

Beginning at 7:30 on the night of May 17 there will be a meeting of the Chess Club. A variety of other games will be available for those who are not interested in chess. On May 18 at 8 p.m. Ben Svrjcek and his orchestra will play for a dance. The enlisted men's council meeting will be held at 6 p.m. on May 19 at the Service Club. Following the meeting there will be a bridge party and at 8 p.m. instructions on various dance steps will be given.

The semi-final pool tournament will begin at 7 p.m. on May 20 and will continue until 10 p.m. Bridge, chess, checkers and other games will be available also.

TV night is May 21. The programs are always good on Saturday night, and there will be records to play and pinocle, pin-pong, pool, tennis, shuffle board and many other games on hand.

Coffee Call will be at 9:30 a.m. on Sunday morning, May 22, and the Music Hour will begin at 10 a.m. That night the Evening of Games will begin at 8:30.

The night of nights is May 23. On this night, beginning at 8:00 o'clock, the Ladies and Gents Fashion Show will be held. There will be no admission fee and door

prizes will be given away. A bridge tournament will be played at the Service Club on May 24 at 6:30 p.m. Interested contestants are requested to go by the Service Club and sign up immediately.

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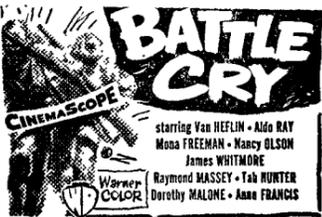
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The double ring ceremony will be held at 5 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church in Huntsville. The Rev. Harry B. Wade will perform the ceremony.

**Visitors to Thiokol Honored With Supper**

Dr. and Mrs. W. M. Mebane honored Mr. Joseph Crosby and Mr. Harry Ferguson with a buffet supper in the ballroom of the Russel Erskine Hotel last Wednesday night.

Mr. Crosby is president and Mr. Ferguson is vice president of Thiokol Chemical Corporation.

Mrs. Mebane decorated the buffet table with a centerpiece of pink carnations in a silver bowl. Pink roses in silver bowls were placed on individual tables. Pink and white candles burned in silver candelabra on each table.

About 100 guests, military and civilian, attended the supper.

Immediately following the supper, Mr. Crosby took a plane to Minneapolis Minnesota, to attend the dedication of a large new Minneapolis Mining Company laboratory.

**Gormley-Howell Wed in Montevallo**

At noon on May 6, Miss Mary Virginia Gormley, daughter of Mrs. J. C. Gormley and the late Mr. Gormley of Madison, became the bride of Calton Howell, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Howell, of Perkinston, Miss.

Vows of the double ring ceremony were said at the home of the bride's brother, Dr. Charles Gormley of Montevallo. The Rev. Thelmer Vaughn of Sylacauga performed the ceremony.

The bride is a graduate of Fresno State College, Fresno, Calif., and is employed as secretary to the chief of the Field Service Division.

Mr. Howell is a graduate of Perkinston Junior College and Mississippi State College. He is employed by the U. S. Department of Agriculture in Huntsville.

Miss Gormley, given in marriage by her brother, wore a sky blue dress of raw silk. The jacket had bracelet-length sleeves with wide white silk cuffs trimmed in white braid. The V-shaped neckline was edged with petal pink organdy. Her necklace of pink forget-me-nots was a gift of the groom. She wore a white hat and carried an ivory covered prayer book, centered with a white orchid, valley lilies and white sweet peas.

Candles were lighted by Jimmy and Claude Sturdivant, Jr., nephews of the bride.

Mrs. Claude Sturdivant of Madison, sister of the bride, was matron of honor. She wore petal pink silk and pink accessories and carried a nosegay of pink, blue and white.

**CHESS CLUB MEETING**

The Huntsville Chess Club will meet tonight, May 17, at 7:30 p.m. at the Redstone Arsenal Service Club, the first building on the

Mr. and Mrs. Angelo L. Ferranti attended the Birmingham School of Law banquet and dance at the Birmingham Country Club Saturday evening. Previous to the banquet, Mr. Ferranti was initiated into the Sigma Delta Kappa intercollegiate law fraternity. Mr. Ferranti is an employee of Field Service Division.

Robert A. Martin of Huntsville was best man.

The bride's mother wore blue lace with navy and white accessories and an orchid corsage.

After the ceremony, Mrs. Charles Gormley entertained with a luncheon. Mrs. Robert Martin cut the cake and Mrs. Ralph Sears assisted in serving. A lace cloth covered the table, which was centered with the wedding cake, surrounded by roses, sweet peas and fern. White candles burned in silver holders.

The bride chose a navy linen sheath dress with jacket and white accessories to wear on the honeymoon trip to the Gulf Coast and New Orleans.

Upon their return, the couple will reside with the bride's mother in Madison.

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**Officers' Wives' Hear Mrs. Clopton**

Members of the Officer's Wives' Club held their regular meeting last Tuesday at noon at the Officers Open Mess.

Mrs. J. B. Clopton, guest speaker, explained to the group how cobweb painting is done and displayed some of the unusual paintings and works of art she has received from various artists all over the world.

Club members accepted the resignation of Mrs. Clinton A. Waggoner, president. Mrs. Waggoner will be leaving soon for Hawaii. Mrs. O. M. Hirsch will be acting president until September.

Mrs. Edward E. Weatherford was named chairman of the nominating committee.

It was decided that no new projects would be undertaken in the near future.

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# MP HI-LITES

James "The Deacon" Randolph

In beginning, I would like to submit my earnest apologies for failing to mention in the last edition, that our Company Clerk, Cpl. Byron Starr, is the brand new father of a big baby boy. Considering the time that has elapsed since it's arrival and this printing, I'm certain that the child is ready for some little league team.

The word convertible has become synonymous with summer here in America and Cpl. Doyle Rogers owns one in the strictest sense of the word. I thought the color was an aggravated pink but his assistant driver corrected me saying it was "Desert Rose." One young lady is reported to have said, "The longer I look at that

Ford the more handsome Doyle appears." After a tug-of-war, Cpl. Rogers was gracefully loaned to Special Services who in turn dispatched him to the swimming pool.

The 291st is well noted for its shaping up techniques. Pvt. "Baby Boy" Turner who was accompanied back to the rigors of basic training by his father is now a functional member of the unit. At least he was until he decided to redesign a little white jeep by flattening the top to give it that long sleek look.

Pvt. "Frenchman" LaVallee should be commended after donating his Army issued white (now battleship grey) undershirts, cotton M-1 A-1, to be utilized in cleaning what few jeeps we have left.

Congratulations to one new private. After several weeks of diligent searching, his efforts proved to be fruitful. He found himself a girl and expressed his enthusiasm in this manner, "She's kinda fat, sorta ugly, five years older'n me, but she's a girl with a car too." He happens to be under 18 so I simply can't mention his name.

Speaking of names, pet ones are sometimes misleading until one finds how they are derived. They call Pfc. Cammons (Sugar Dahling). Could those teeth marks on his arm be associated with the nickname?

Pvt. Greener often walks around mumbling to himself and repeating these words "I'm a real MP . . . I'm a real MP". Now of course he isn't alone in his world. In the days to come many of us will try to convince ourselves of this uncertainty. Speaking in reference to the preparation for the Armed Forces Day parade, many long hours of practice will determine our inevitable "Good Showing."

Pvt. Newfield, who hails from Menadier's territory has a "Method in his Madness." Being fully aware of the disadvantages that a surgical operation affords, he volunteered to take a trip to Ft. McClellan keeping in mind that a post-operative recuperation

leave will be in order. What won't people do for a few days off? Well, anyway good luck Newfield.

Pvt. Catalina (no relation to Pontiac) says he'll never find a girl in these parts who possesses the savoir faire of his Detroit Heart beat, perhaps time and a weeding out process will change his outlook.

Pfc. Corbitt spent a few days in Florida with his future (hope so) wife. Back to his insane work at the motor pool, he resorts to soft music and deep thought trying desperately to recapture those wonderful days and priceless moments by the sea. Moments unpoisoned by regimentation.

MSGT (El Toro Sr.) Stanley informed me that the Traffic Section was an integral part of the 291st and that it should be recognized in this column. So with all the pomp and circumstance, regal splendor and fanfare that a pen affords I proceed:

M/Sgt. (El Toro Sr.) Stanley—Head.

Sgt. (Olds 88) Nealey — Chief yes man.

Cpl. (Red on the head) Paxton — "Never get mad."

Cpl. (Smiling Boy) Schroeder — "You ran a stop sign."

Pfc. (El Toro Jr.) Woidat — Confused.

Sgt. (one said EM Teddy Bear) Drake has declared that he will request a leave in order to do research on his jokes. According to our joke expert, Pvt. Faulk, Sgt. Teddy should take a leave indefinitely for his jokes are decidedly stale.

# THE POST LIBRARY

BY ANNA L. FARRAR  
Librarian

These new books were added to the library collection this week:

Alice Acland, "Templeford Park"

Margot Bennett, "The Long Way Back"

Pearl Binder, "Muffs and Morals"

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# LAWN PARTY PLANNED

A lawn party will be held today from 2:30 p. m. until 10:30 p. m. at St. Mary's School. It is sponsored by the Parent-Teacher Association for the purpose of providing funds for expansion of the school.

Dinner will be served from 5 to 8 p. m., and will cost \$1. Booths, games and other entertainment will be set up.

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Francoise Quioirez, "Bonjour Tristesse"

John Sack, "From Here to Shimbashi"

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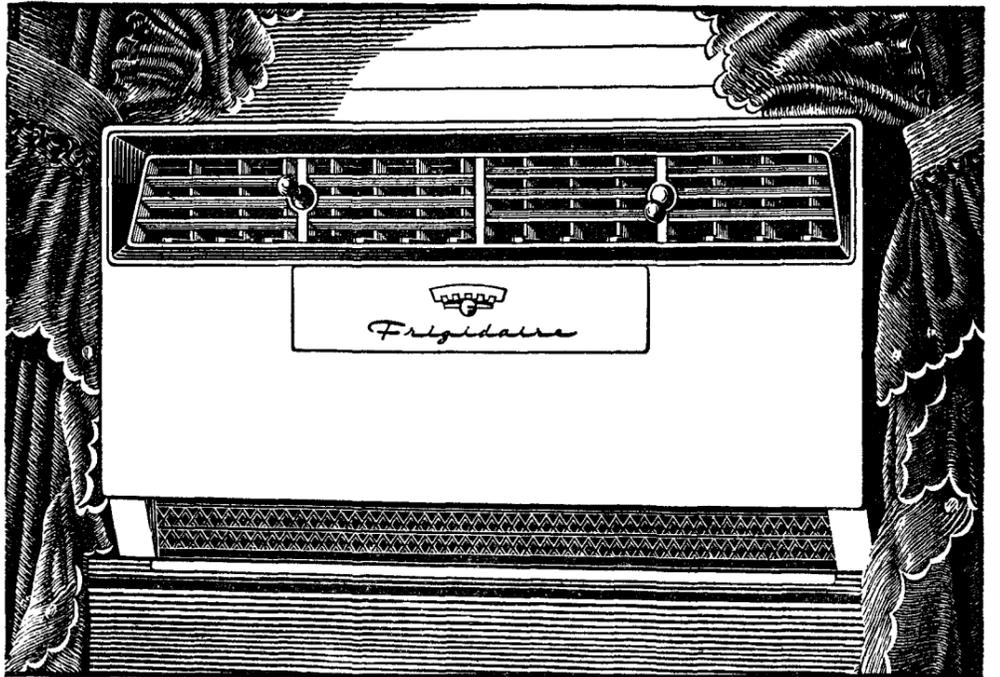
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**MAJOR BOWLING LEAGUE WINNERS**—Major Bowling League awards for the 1954-55 season were made to (left to right) E. C. (Buttermilk) Johnson, G. Sanford and Pfc Jerry Renguette. Johnson took awards for high average and second high for series. Sanford won high game award and Renguette took high series award.

**Annual Dinner Held By Bowling League**

The third annual Major Bowling League banquet was held Saturday (May 7) at the Officers Open Mess. Election of officers

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**FOLLOWIN' THRU**

A ROUND-UP OF RSA SPORTS NEWS By J. D. Nilsson

Let's talk about two kinds of track, the kind you ride on and the kind you run on.

We had a nice talk with Redstone's E. C. Roberts, president of the Rocket City Racing Club, and were informed that stock car racing will return to Huntsville this Friday. The club, a non-profit organization of which many Redstone employees are members, has taken over the operation of the Huntsville Speedway, located on Athens Highway. Club members are either drivers or car owners.

and presentation of awards for the 1954-55 season followed the banquet.

The American Television Institute team received the League championship award. Individual awards went to E. C. (Buttermilk) Johnson for high average. Johnson also won second high for the series. G. Stanford won high game and PFC Jerry Renguette took the high series award for the past season.

New officers for the coming year are Chester Plonda, ATI, retiring secretary, was elected president; Howard McGill, Rhom & Haas, vice president; PFC Jerry Renguette, 9352 TU, secretary; and E. C. Johnson, Thiokol, treasurer.

Lt. Robert Vujovic, OGMS, League president, and Raymond Bennett, ATI, treasurer for the past year are retiring from office.

Total purse for the first night's activities, which start at 7:30, is \$750, quite high for a city the size of Huntsville. Roberts hopes to increase the purses more as the season continues. Because the club is strictly non-profit and because all money taken in will go into prize money, he has an excellent chance.

By working nights, club members hope to have the quarter-mile dirt track and the grandstand in good shape for Friday's opening races. Friday will see five events: a slow heat, a fast heat, a Class B (amateur) affair, a consolation race, and the main event. Similar events will go on every Friday.

Returning to action will be several well-known Redstone employees. The most notable is probably Bill Kelly, who raced to the 1954 North Alabama Championship.

Why not give it a try Friday night? We'll see you there.

The other kind of track involves Redstone's track squad. The cindermen recently traveled to Fort McClellan and emerged from a dual meet with the Wolverines with a 62-60 victory.

Although McClellan was heavily favored, Redstone literally ran 'em ragged, placing 1-2-3 in the 100, 1-2 in the 220, 1-2-3 in the 440, 1-2 in the 880, and 1-3 in the mile. McClellan captured points in the field events, sweeping the discus and javelin.

Bill Harris and Gene Adams of Redstone were the only double winners in the meet. Harris took the 100 and 220, while Adams won the 440 and 880. Lee Cooper made it a clean sweep of first places in the running events by winning the mile.

Other point winners for Redstone included Manager Jim Stookey, Larry Humphrey, John Luckhowec, John McMullan, Arthur Wright, Len Lemanski, Herb

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1 ETD, 9352	2	3	.400	3
291 MP	2	3	.400	3
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General Shoe	0	0	.000	1/2
FABRICATORS	0	1	.000	1
Hill Chevrolet	0	1	.000	1

Includes games of 9 May.

Brigham, Art Timmins, and Ken Ridgway. Timmins is a former Yale high jumper. And yes, Ken Ridgway is related (cousin) to the general.

Stookey says that other meets, primarily a triangular meet with Redstone, McClellan, and Benning, are being scheduled. Redstone is at present unable to play at home because of lack of facilities. The arsenal is planning to enter a full team in the 1955 Third Army Track Meet, slated for Fort Bragg, N. C., June 3-4. As usual, Bragg, Benning, and Campbell will be the teams for Redstone to beat.



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Joe Perrotta picked up the win in the first game and was particularly effective as he struck out 19 batters in the second contest.

The line scores:

Redstone 104 202 301 13-19-4  
Seward 003 001 100 5-6-5  
Perrotta and Lehmann; Bright, Wilson (6) and Roddy.  
Redstone 000 000 000 0-4-4  
Seward 000 106 01x 8-10-1  
Sanders, Tamburrino (8) and Lehmann; Heuss and Roddy.

### Redstone Downs Huntsville

Before a crowd of about 6,000 fans, the largest ever to see a semi-pro baseball game in Huntsville, Redstone defeated the Huntsville Parkers, 2-0, behind the splendid pitching of Joe Perrotta. Perrotta, superb in the clutches, fanned 17 batters in bringing his season record to 2 wins against 2 losses.

The Parkers threatened in their half of the third when a hit, a walk, and an error loaded the bases with no one out. Perrotta calmly struck out the next three batters.

Perrotta was again in serious trouble in the eighth after a triple and walk opened the inning. With Jim Bohlmann making a fine stop of a ground smash and catching the runner off third in a run-

down, Perrotta weathered the storm.

In the ninth, Bohlmann walked, George Smith singled, and Harry Menadier singled home Bohlmann. Perrotta's double play ball scored Smith with the second run.

The line score:

Redstone 000 000 002 2-5-3  
H'ville 000 000 000 0-6-1  
Perrotta and Lehmann; Stewart and Gant.

### Monsanto Upsets RSA, 9-6

In a long, poorly played ball game before a small crowd at Linton Field, Monsanto Chemical's Maulers of Columbia, Tennessee, outslugged Redstone's

Rockets to take a 9-6 upset victory.

Paul Tamburrino, amateur pitcher from Youngstown, Ohio, was Manager McNamara's choice to start the game on the mound for the Rockets and suffered the loss. John Sanders relieved in the fourth.

Monsanto proved to have a better ball club than was expected, with Dan King, 6-foot 6-inch, 240 pound centerfielder leading the hitting attack with a home run over the bleachers in center field. A former basketball player at Western Kentucky, the huge slugger collected 4 hits in 5 trips.

The loss gave Redstone a sea-

## Cost Accountants Meet Held Monday

The annual meeting of the North Alabama chapter of the National Association of Cost Accountants was held on Monday

son won-lost record of 3-6. Monsanto remained undefeated in three games. The line scores: Monsanto 202 022 001 9-12-2  
Redstone 003 002 010 6-8-4  
Tamburrino, Sanders (4) and Lehmann, McMullan (7); Haney, Hill (6) and Watts, Clark (6).

evening at 6:30 o'clock at the Tennessee Valley Country Club in Tusculmbia. Neil F. Pendleton, treasurer of the New Orleans Bank for Co-operatives, spoke on "Loans to Co-operative Associations and Accounting for Co-operative Associations". Mr. Pendleton, who has been associated with co-operatives for many years will speak from his intimate knowledge of producer co-operatives.

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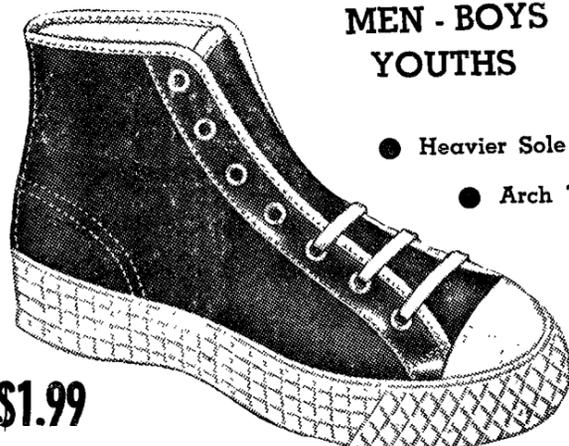
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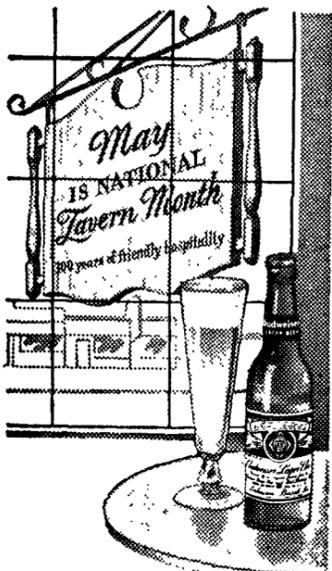
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**Employees Receive**

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in writing to the Incentive Awards Committee, he will be fully considered for an award. The Committee determines eligibility of the suggester for an award for an adopted suggestion. So if you are in doubt about eligibility, submit your suggestion for appraisal. The second highest award of the month went to Mr. Alfred H. Kennemer, Rocket Development Division. Mr. Kennemer suggested:

"That all flight ranges place fastax cameras such that the ratio of inches on the film to the feet in space will be some power of tenx843. 843 is the number of units per inch in a telereader (the machines used by Data Section to measure distance on the film)."

This idea saved the tax payers \$4,200 a year for which \$130 was awarded.

Mr. Matthews, Post Engineer Division, refuses to be "out-done" by his fellow workers; therefore, he wrote down his idea concerning a revision in RSA Form 38 and came up with a savings of \$2,975. Mr. Kohler, in the presence of several other Post Engineer employees, presented Mr. Matthews an award of \$100.

Twenty dollars went to Mr. Ira T. Thompson, Ammunition Surveillance Division. Previously, in case of a fire or an accident in the magazine or igloo areas, it would have been necessary to travel a half-mile in order to sound an alarm for help. Mr. Thompson suggested that a few telephones be installed in the area concerned.

Fifteen dollars was awarded to: Mr. J. D. Smith, Fab Lab, Guided Missile Development Division; Mr. William Reed, Guidance and Control Laboratory; and Mrs. Evelyn W. Months, Consolidated Supply Division. Mr. Smith's suggestion concerned an air hose on the tube flaring machine. Mr. Reed suggested the fabrication of a tool to accurately surface grinding wheels. Mrs. Monk received her check for suggesting a stamp for routing slips.

Fourteen awards of ten dollars each were made as follows:

Health and Morale: Mrs. Jennie C. Hughes, Pay Roll Section, and Mr. Ronald C. Chittam, Guided Missile Development Division.

Safety: Mr. Milton G. Stewart, Ammunition Division; Mr. James L. Brewer, Guidance and Control Lab; Mr. Marvin Todd, Rocket Development Division; and Mr. Kenneth E. Riggs, Launching and Handling Lab.

Miscellaneous Suggestions resulting in a savings not exceeding \$200 were made by: Mr. George W. Hamby, Fabrication Laboratory; Mr. Walter Thomas, Guided Missile Division; Mr. John Ray, Fabrication Laboratory; Mrs. Mary E. Nolte, Guided Missile Development Division; Mr. Mack P. Bradford, Welding Shop, Guided Missile Development Division; Mr. Ollie B. George, Guided Missile Development Division; Mrs. Mozelle Pockrus, Rocket Development Division; and Raymond Gurley, Fabrication Laboratory.

**Booby Traps**

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officers to function under the Commander-in-Chief as the "Board of War and Ordnance." This board was charged with the

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supply and maintenance of ordnance in the field, and with the storage and issue of ordnance in camps and other facilities.

As Third Army observed the anniversary this year, the personnel paused to read a letter of felicitation from Maj. Gen. E. L. Cummings, Chief of Ordnance, Department of the Army, which says in part:

"The splendid support Ordnance has given to all other elements of the Army, and to the other services, strongly assures continued success in our many missions. May we always be able to provide, as needed, the world's best ordnance to the world's finest soldiers."

**Celebration**

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electronic telephone equipment, a boat from the "Redstone Navy", and the simulated firing of a rocket at a dummy tank.

Window displays will decorate downtown stores in Huntsville for a week prior to Armed Forces Day to create interest in the celebration on Saturday, May 21.

Montgomery Ward, Southern Furniture, J. C. Penney, City Electric, McLellan's, and Dunnivant's are all contributing window space.

The displays illustrate various aspects of Redstone's role in na-

**MENTAL HEALTH DRIVE**

Capt. L. F. Lieske, Redstone Arsenal chairman for the Mental Health drive, reports that the progress of the campaign is satisfactory. The drive has been extended to May 31.

tional defense, and they include a missile model exhibit featuring accurate models of the Corporal, Nike, V-2, and Hermes missiles and the Honest John rocket; a 5 by 8 foot Hermes static test site model in full detail; examples of the new "Army green" uniforms, and several graphic exhibits of the arsenal's role in the national missile program.

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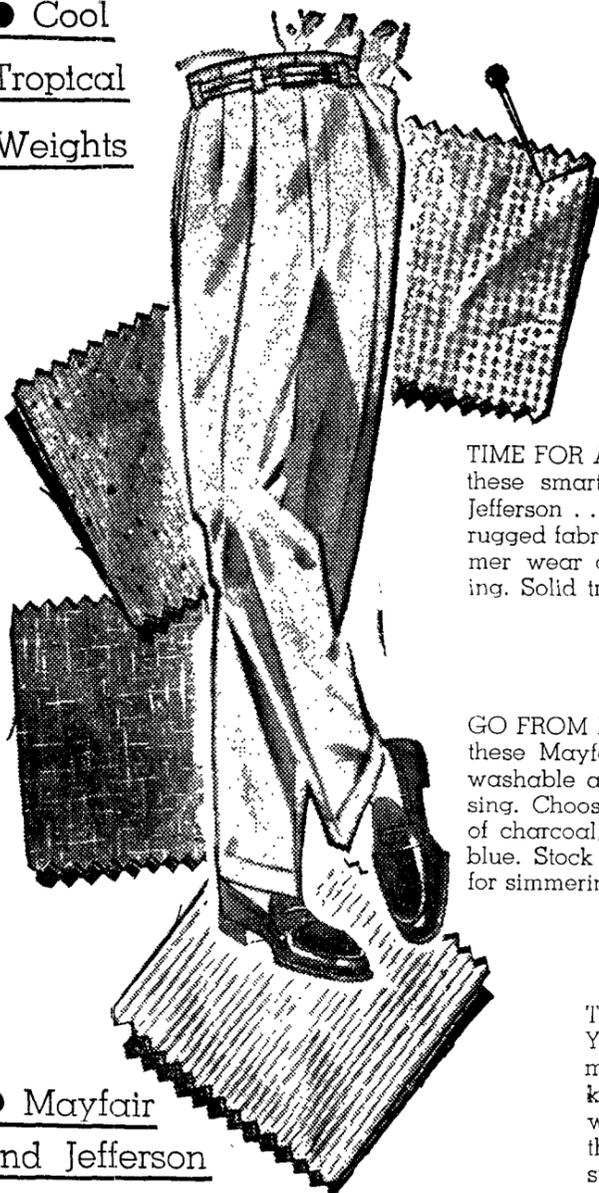
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