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BLOODMOBILE DUE AT RSA FEB. 6

The American Red Cross Bloodmobile will visit Redstone Arsenal from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday, Feb. 6. Donors are asked to come to Bldg. 827.

All Arsenal coordinators in the blood program are asked to contact possible donors in their respective units and remind them of the forthcoming Bloodmobile visit.

The Bloodmobile comes to the Arsenal about every 60 days. One hundred eighty pints of blood were collected during the last visit. However, the average has been from 200 to 300 pints in the past, and Bloodmobile officials are hoping to reach that figure again.

Free blood if needed will be provided for six months for the entire family of any person volunteering to give blood, whether his blood is accepted or not by the Bloodmobile.

ASTRONAUTICAL SOCIETY HONORS DR. VON BRAUN

Dr. Wernher von Braun, chief of the Guided Missile Development Division at Redstone Arsenal, has been elected to a two-year term on the Board of Directors of the American Astronautical Society.

Election of Dr. von Braun was made at the recent Second Annual Meeting of the Society held at the American Museum of Natural History in New York City.

Dr. von Braun was principal luncheon speaker at the gathering, addressing the group on "Problems of Guided Missile Development."

55-Gallon Drums On Sale at Arsenal

An unlimited supply of 55-gallon drums is now on sale at Redstone Arsenal, it was announced by Joe Engle, chief of the Property Disposal Office in Building 701.

Arsenal personnel are permitted to purchase these drums any time between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.

The drums are priced at one and two dollars each and are sold for cash only. Interested parties are requested to report to the Property Disposal yard at Building 701.

Liaison Committee To Hold Meet Here

Approximately 40 representatives of the armed forces, industry, and educational institutions from throughout the United States will gather at Redstone Arsenal Thursday and Friday, Jan. 26 and 27, when the Liaison Committee of the Office of Ordnance Research meets here.

Sessions of the conference, which is classified "Secret", will begin at 8:30 a.m. each day in the Rocket Auditorium.

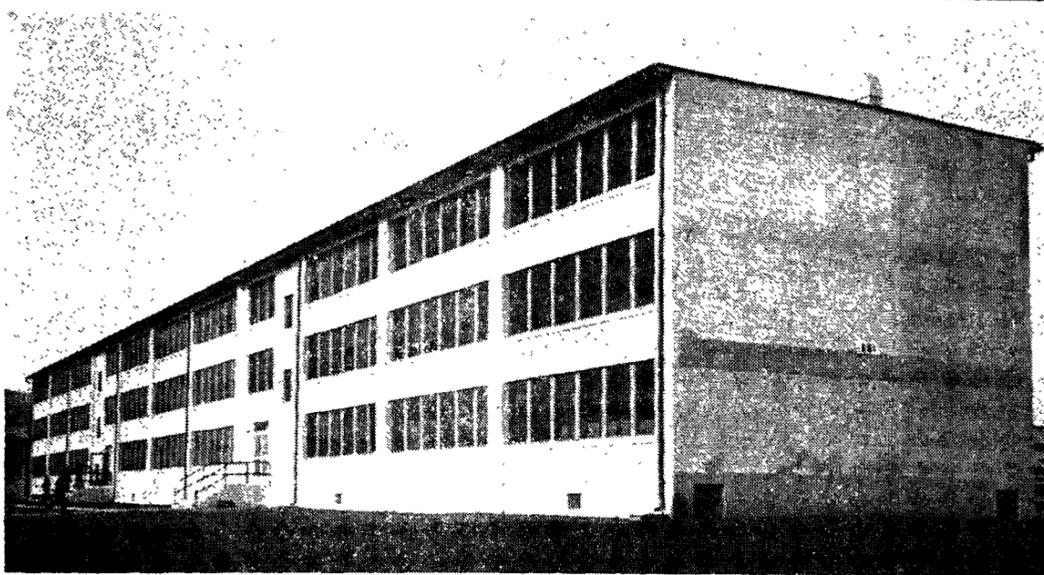
Mechanical Engineers To Hear Researcher At January Meeting

Francis Tatnall, director of reach testing at the Baldwin-Lima-Hamilton Corporation, Philadelphia, will speak on "Present and Future Application of the Bonded Wire Strain Gauge" at the January meeting of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers to be held at the Redstone Arsenal Officers Mess tonight.

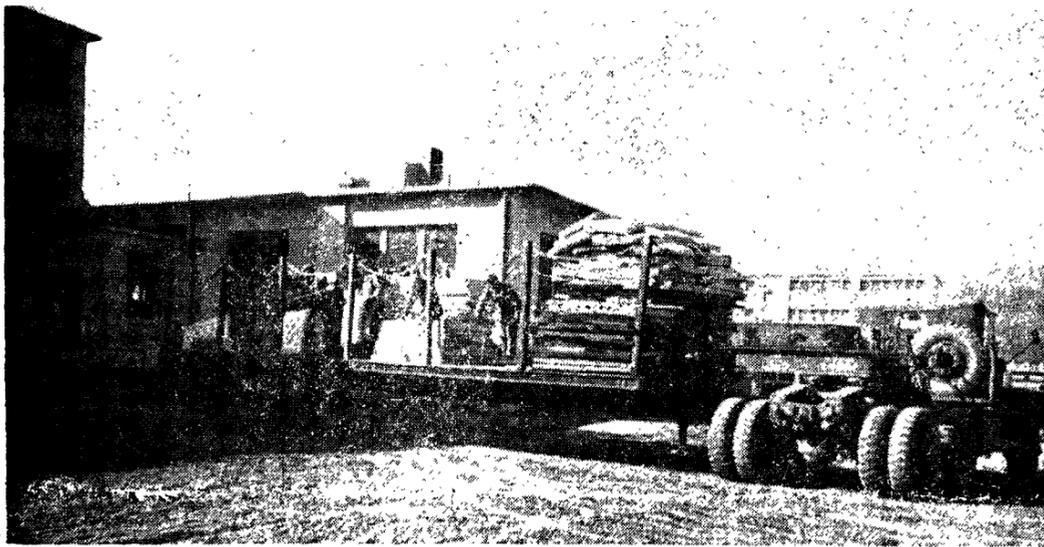
The meeting starts with a social hour at 6:15 p.m., with dinner at 7 and technical session at 8.

Persons without Arsenal passes must use Gate 1 for entrance to the Arsenal.

Reservations should be sent to A. Terrell Jones, Jr., Rohm & Haas Corp., Redstone Arsenal. Guests are welcome, and should also make their reservations.



NEW 'HOME' FOR REDSTONE TROOPS—Above is one of the two new permanent, or garrison, type three-story brick-and-concrete-block barracks buildings into which some 750 troops of Redstone Arsenal's 9330th Technical Service Unit and 291st Military Police Company moved recently. The troops had been housed in old temporary-type frame barracks. The new buildings are complete with mess halls and day rooms.



'MOVING DAY' FOR REDSTONE TROOPS—GI's of Redstone Arsenal's 9330th Technical Services Unit and 291st Military Police Company unload cots, mattresses and footlockers from a truck into their new permanent-type barracks. The troops were formerly housed in old temporary-type frame barracks.

TROOPS IN NEW BARRACKS 'HOME'

It was moving time for some 750 troops of Redstone Arsenal's 9330th Technical Services Unit and 291st Military Police Company last week.

Out of their old temporary-type barracks they came, to their brand-new "home away from home"—two three-story brick and concrete block permanent, or garrison, type barracks buildings, complete with mess halls and day rooms.

The two new barracks are Buildings 680 and 681 in the old Ordnance Guided Missile School area.

Bldg. 681 had previously been occupied by troops of the 9352nd Technical Services Unit, who recently moved to the new school area. Bldg. 680 was just completed.

Disposition of the old barracks in the former troop area has not been announced yet.

Nearby the new barracks are scheduled to open between April 1 and 15.



DANIEL W. FULTS, JR.

Birmingham FBI Chief to Address RSA Security Group

Daniel W. Fults, Jr., special agent in charge of the Birmingham Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, will address Redstone Arsenal's 124 deputy security officers at their regular monthly meeting at 1 p.m. today in the Rocket Auditorium.

The talk is unclassified, and is open to interested Arsenal personnel. Chiefs of RSA organizations are particularly invited to attend, it was announced by the Intelligence Office.

Mr. Fults took over the duties of Special Agent in charge of the Birmingham Office on September 25, 1955.

Mr. Fults was born in Swea City, Iowa, on January 10, 1907. He attended the University of Iowa, Iowa City, Iowa, from 1934 to 1940, and received the degree of Bachelor of Arts and a legal degree of Juris Doctor during that period. Following his graduation from the College of Law at the University of Iowa in June, 1940, Mr. Fults passed the Iowa Bar. While at the University, he was for two years a member of the University of Iowa Varsity Golf team and a member of the Phi Kappa Sigma National Social Fraternity.

On December 2, 1940, SAC Fults entered on duty with the FBI as a Special Agent. His first assignment, after completing New Agents' Training at Washington, D. C., was at Cincinnati, Ohio. Thereafter, he was assigned to New York City; served on two different occasions on foreign assignments; at New Orleans, Louisiana; Memphis, Tenn.; and for six years was assigned at the headquarters of the Bureau in Washington, D. C., as a supervisor. Mr. Fults served as Assistant Special Agent in Charge at Little Rock, Ark., and Detroit, Mich., prior to receiving his appointment as Special Agent in Charge at Birmingham.

MATHEMATICIAN FROM AUBURN

First Girl Co-op Student Here

One young girl among 96 college men.

That's the unique—and doubtless pleasant—situation in which Miss Main Honour, a 19-year-old Auburn mathematics student, finds herself at Redstone Arsenal.

Miss Honour, an intelligent as well as attractive blonde, is the first and only female so far to be accepted for participation in the Arsenal's Cooperative Training Program for engineering and scientific college students. Selected students alternate between attending classes at their schools for a semester and holding down salaried technical jobs at this Army Ordnance rocket and guided missile center.

A junior majoring in math at API, Miss Honour will be working for the next three months as a mathematician in Redstone's Aero-Ballistics Laboratory.

Besides math, back at school Miss Honour is also very much interested in dramatics and is a member of the Auburn Players, for whom she handles technical problems of sound and stage lighting.

She is the daughter of Mrs. W. M. Honour, who resides at 699 Wright's Mill Road in Auburn, and of the late Mr. Honour, once a professor of civil engineering at Tennessee Polytechnic Institute.

In addition to Miss Honour, Redstone presently has 51 co-op students (all men) from three colleges on the job and 42 more (all men) doing their campus stints. Universities now participating are Auburn, Tennessee, and Georgia Tech.

On Feb. 1, the University of Alabama will also enter the co-op program, with four students (all men) slated to start their first

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FIRST FEMALE CO-OP STUDENT AT REDSTONE—Miss Main Honour, a 19-year-old Auburn mathematics student, operates a calculating machine at her job as a mathematician in Redstone Arsenal's Aero-Ballistics Laboratory. Miss Honour is the first and only female—among 96 college men—to be accepted for participation in the Arsenal's Cooperative Training Program for engineering and scientific college students.

VFW Slates Dance For March of Dimes

A benefit dance with proceeds to go to the March of Dimes will be sponsored by the local VFW Club from 9 to 12 p.m. Friday, Jan. 27, at the club.

Admission will be \$1.50 per couple.

IN QUEEN'S COURT

A former employe of Transportation Office, Miss Mary Jim Esslinger of Gurley, was a member of the queen's court at the recent Gator Bowl game in Jacksonville, Fla.

The Redstone Rocket

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\$140 IN AWARDS MADE IN ROCKET DEVELOPMENT DIVISION—John E. Larkin, second from left, and William E. Faulkner, third from left, receive incentive awards totaling \$140 from their respective supervisors, James T. Shepherd and Windell Barnes. Mr. Larkin received an award of \$100 for suggesting a special relay protective device which will save the government \$3,000 a year. A \$40 award was made to Mr. Faulkner for suggesting special equipment for use in the firing bays. His suggestion will save the Government \$435 plus intangible benefits. (Photo by Bill Keller)



DR. CHARLES N. MASHBURN

Religious Emphasis Program Speaker Set At Post Chapel 27

Dr. Charles N. Mashburn, professor of New Testament and Church Missions at Tennessee Temple College, Chattanooga, Tenn., will be guest speaker at a three day Religious Emphasis Program at the Arsenal Post Chapel 27, 28 and 29 January. Chaplain (Major) Frank W. Warren announced today.

Dr. Mashburn spent several months on a round-the-world tour in 1953, collecting material as script-writer for the West Coast TV Program, "Missions Visualized." He has recently completed a second world tour in the interest of missionary projects and has just returned from a missionary trip to Mexico. He is a dynamic speaker who presents a challenging message.

A fellowship dinner Friday, 27 January, at 6:30 p. m. will initiate the program. Special music will be featured at this meeting and Dr. Mashburn will give the after-



LT. COL. LEON VOLKOV

Ex-Red Colonel Volkov to Talk In City Feb. 6

Lt. Col. Leon Volkov, who will speak at Huntsville High School auditorium on Feb. 6, will tell his audience the story of his life as a child of the Russian Revolution—his disillusionment with the Communist philosophy and practices and his eventual escape to this country.

This program is to begin at 8:30 p.m. and is brought to this city by Business and Professional Women's Club as a contribution to the cultural life of the community.

Volkov, a former Russian Air Force Officer, came in personal contact with the West during the last days of World War II and the first months of peace. Finally, he escaped to the West, and came to America. He is an American citizen.

His story of Russia under Communism is a sincere impression coming from one who lived with the philosophies of Stalin, and who chose the West.

One of Mr. Volkov's recent assignments was interpreter for the Russian Farm group who visited the Mid-west last summer.

The program at Huntsville High School will be composed of the lecture by Mr. Volkov, followed by a discussion period when the audience may ask questions.

Tickets may be reserved by

dinner address.

Saturday, 28 January at 7 p.m. Dr. Mashburn will speak at the Post Chapel, showing slides of mission work in Asia. Dr. Mashburn will speak at the regular chapel service Sunday at 10 a. m. and also Sunday evening at 7 o'clock. The public is invited to share these services.

CSC CHAIRMAN URGES MORE EFFORT TO RECOGNIZE TOP PERFORMANCES

"Agencies are just beginning to scratch the surface in making use

of superior-performance awards," according to Phillip Young, Chairman, U. S. Civil Service Commission.

In a recent speech before a personnel conference group, Mr. Young urged a vigorous top-level effort to recognize employes' good work and to keep first-line supervisors informed of the opportunities offered by this phase of the new Federal Employees Incentive Awards Program.

Mr. Young told his audience to "put high on your list of objectives for the coming year a new and vigorous effort to exploit to the fullest the opportunities offered" and to see that achievements of employes be given "the widest possible publicity." He emphasized that acknowledgment of achievement is not only gratifying to the employes but is also important in giving the public a true picture of the high quality of career civil servants.

During the first seven months of the new program, adopted suggestions and superior performance evaluated under the program brought the American people a dollar value return of \$34,358

Cotton bales were the barricades behind which General Andrew Jackson defeated New Orleans against the British Forces under Sir Edward Pakenham in 1817.

The Seventh Infantry Regiment of the Third Infantry Division is known as the "Cottonbalers" because of its part in the defense of New Orleans behind a barricade of cotton bales in the War of 1812.

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U. S. Civil Service Marks 73rd Birthday

The American civil service, now for the first time on the threshold of becoming a world-wide personnel system, observes its 73rd birthday on January 16.

In April of 1956, the coverage of the competitive civil service will be extended to approximately 20,000 jobs held by American citizens in foreign countries and island possessions—marking one of the major historic extensions of the system. Ten thousand jobs in Alaska were brought into the system in 1955.

The civil-service system in America was born of the martyrdom of a President. The assassination of James A. Garfield in 1881, by a disgruntled job-seeker, stirred the American people to act to end the spoils system, under which public jobs were awarded on the basis of politics rather than merit and fitness. On January 16, 1883, the present Civil Service Act — also known as the Pendleton Act — was signed into law by President Chester A. Arthur, laying the groundwork for a competitive civil service which today embraces a career work force of more than 2 million Federal employees.

At the beginning of our national history, merit and fitness for a job were the primary considerations of our first Presidents in making job appointments, but gradually these factors became subordinated to the question of party loyalty. By 1829, the full-scale spoils system had arrived, bringing to vogue the cry: "To the victor belong the spoils!"

Incoming administrations made mass removals of Government workers and awarded the jobs to supporters of the victorious party. The practice became a public scandal and a hindrance to effective operation of the public's business. President Lincoln, besieged by job-seekers, said: "I seem like a man so busy letting rooms at one end of his home that he has no time left to put out the fire that is blazing and destroying at the other end."

Passage of the Civil Service Act of 1883 was not the first attempt to set up machinery to regulate appointments. An act of 1871, in the administration of Ulysses S. Grant, set up such a body and granted \$25,000 for its operations. When these funds ran out, Congress did not supplement them. The Commission did a good job, but Congress was indifferent, if not hostile, to its work. Lacking operating funds, the Grant Commission passed out of existence.

The three years' trial of the merit system, although it seemed to end in failure, was valuable to those who advocated what became the Civil Service Act of 1883. The Grant Commission did accomplish enough to prove to the country that the merit system was both practical and beneficial. A number of civil-service reform as-

sociations were formed, and in 1881, these associations combined as the National Civil Service Reform League. This organization of civic-minded citizens, now known as the National Civil Service League, is still actively working in support of the merit system.

James A. Garfield had been chosen as candidate for the Presidency because his public record won the support of the reform element. He attacked political influence in appointments and supported appropriations for Grant's Civil Service Commission.

Four months after his inauguration, Garfield was slain. He had been engaged in a patronage dispute, which attracted much attention and especially interested eccentric Charles A. Guiteau, who daily visited the White House to press his claim for a job.

On the morning of July 2, 1881, as President Garfield was waiting in a Washington railroad station for the train to take him to his college reunion, Guiteau slipped up behind the President and shot him twice through the back. The President lingered a painful three months before his death.

The tragedy aroused the American people, and impatience at the spoils system became indignation. Newspapers and periodicals were filled with stories and pictures on the subject.

It appeared that Congress underestimated the popular feeling, however, for it continued to do little about civil-service legislation. But the fall elections of 1882 showed beyond doubt that the people wanted the Civil Service Act. In a number of Congressional districts, the issue of civil-service reform decided the election. When Congress met, civil service received its attention from the first day of the session until passage of the Civil Service Act.

The Civil Service Act created the Civil Service Commission "to regulate and improve the civil service of the United States." It established the Federal merit system, providing for open, competitive examinations and the making of appointments to the civil service from among those graded highest in the examination.

Only 10 percent of the jobs in the executive branch were filled competitively at the start. From its meager beginning, the competitive service has grown to embrace approximately 85 percent of all jobs in the Federal Government and 91 percent of those in the continental United States. Unless an executive-branch job is specifically excepted by law or by action of the Civil Service Commission, it is in the competitive service and subject to civil-service rules.

Today the Federal Government is the largest employer in America, with some 2,375,000 workers. Federal employes staff more than 70 departments and agencies—ranging from the Commission of Fine Arts, with three paid employes, to the million-man Department of Defense civilian staff. They are stationed throughout the United States, in its Territories and possessions, and in most foreign countries.

Almost half of the workers of the executive branch are employed in direct support of our Nation's air, ground, and sea forces as civilian employes of the Defense Department. One in five of the executive-branch employes is responsible for delivery of our mail. Another 8 percent serve veterans and their dependents. The remaining 21 percent handle all of the many other services performed by scores of Government departments and agencies.

In one way or another, the work of Federal employes touches every American every day. Government workers print and mint our money, control narcotics, regulate immigration, collect taxes and duties. They help to conserve and revitalize land that is unproductive, bring electricity into rural homes, enforce Federal laws, and administer social security. They operate the atomic energy program,

forecast the weather, and protect national parks and forests. They conduct research in physics, chemistry, electronics, meteorology, geology, metallurgy, and other scientific fields, which has far-reaching effects on the health, welfare, economy, and security of the Nation. They control the Nation's airways, standardize the weights and measures, handle relations with other countries, develop flood control measures, and perform hundreds of other services required by the American people.

Seventy-three years after enactment, the Civil Service Act remains the keystone of today's modern, comprehensive Federal career service. The many facets of the Government's highly developed personnel management system include recruitment and placement, promotion programs, position classification and pay admin-

istration, employe development, performance evaluation, employe relations and services programs, and employe recognition and incentives. Employe benefits in-

clude a model retirement system, low-cost group life insurance, sick and annual leave, unemployment compensation, premium pay provisions, and uniform allowances.

Present Civil Service Commissioners are: Philip Young, Chairman, George M. Moore, and Frederick J. Lawton.

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GENERAL VISITS REDSTONE—Brig. Gen. Theodore A. Weyher (left), of the Ordnance Weapons Command, Rock Island, Ill., is greeted by Col. Merlin L. DeGuire, chief of Redstone Arsenal's Industrial Division during the general's recent inspection and familiarization tour of the Arsenal.

SERVICE CLUB SCHEDULE

On January 24, Tuesday, there will be a bridge tournament beginning at 6:30 p.m. at the Service Club.

Wednesday, January 25, is Robert Burns birthday so the Service Club hostesses have planned a dance in his honor. This will be a "Scotch Dance" and all servicemen and junior hostesses are requested to come dressed in gay-colored shirts and skirts. The dance will begin at 8 p.m.

The 26th of January, Thursday, is dance instruction night and this course begins at 8:30 p.m. Several tables of bridge are also planned.

A variety of games will be played on Friday night, January 27th, at 8 p.m.

On January 28, Saturday, beginning at 6:30 p.m. there will be a buffet supper followed by a record dance.

Coffee Call will be held at 9:30 Sunday morning, January 29, with the Music Hour following at 10.

Monday night at 8:30 a birthday party has been planned in honor of all those who were born in January.

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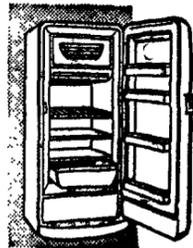
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SETTLING DOWN—These three GI's of the 9330th Technical Services Unit are typical of the 750 troops of the 9330th and 291st MP Co. who spent last Tuesday moving into their new garrison-type barracks. Tasks involved included, of course, making up beds, hanging up clothes, and straightening out foot-lockers, as shown above.



NEW MESS HALL FOR ARSENAL GI'S—Kitchen personnel of the 9330th Technical Services Unit at Redstone Arsenal ready their spotless shining new mess hall, part of the just-completed permanent-type barracks into which the 9330th and the 291st Military Police Company recently moved.

20,000 CIVILIAN POSTS OVERSEAS TO GO UNDER COMPETITIVE SERVICE

On April 1, approximately 20,000 overseas Federal civilian positions, held by United States citizens, will be brought into the competitive civil service, the Civil Service Commission has announced. All are Department of Defense jobs. This is the second major extension of the competitive service within a year. The first action moved approximately 10,000 excepted jobs in Alaska into the competitive civil service last August, the Commission said. When this overseas conversion action is completed, there will ex-

ist for the first time a worldwide career system under which employes may be reassigned freely to and from overseas positions, while remaining in the career service, the Commission pointed out.

Incumbents of these overseas positions will be eligible for conversion to career or career-conditional status if they can meet competitive standards, have had at least six months of satisfactory Federal service immediately prior to the date of conversion, and are recommended for conversion by their agency. Future appointments to any of these positions will ordinarily be made through the regular competitive examining process, the Commission said.

Signal Corps personnel and their families in Headquarters, U. S. Army Europe, have supported two German orphanages for four years.

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BY ANNA L. FARRAR
Librarian

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Frederic Brown, "Martians, Go Home."
Kendell Crossen, "Splintered Man."
Mary Deasy, "Boy Who Made Good."
Glenn Dumke, "Tyrant of Bagdad."
John Durant, "Pictorial History of American Presidents."
Andreas Feininger, "Creative Photographer."
"Great Dog Stories."

Clifford Hicks, "Popular Mechanics Do-It-Yourself Materials Guide."
Marguerite Higgins, "Red Plush and Black Bread."
"Information Please Almanac, 1956."
Garson Kanin, "Do Re Mi."
Kathleen Knight, "They're Going to Kill Me."
New York Museum of Modern Art, "Family of Man . . ."
John O'Hara, "Ten North Frederick."
Robert Scott, "Look of the Eagle."
Shel Silverstein, "Take Ten."
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AWARD—George W. Bartlett, field engineer for Philco Corporation, is shown receiving congratulations from Colonel H. S. Newhall, commandant of the Ordnance Guided Missile School, upon presentation of a seven-year, two-diamond service pin from Philco Corporation. Mr. Bartlett, a native of Huntsville, was recently assigned to the Guided Missile School, as a technical writer in the Research and Curriculum Division. Before assignment to the school, Mr. Bartlett was previously assigned as Field Engineer at the 35th Air Division Area in Lake City, Tennessee. Mr. and Mrs. Bartlett and family reside at 1508 Wellman Avenue, Huntsville.

FIELD SERVICE DIVISION
BY SUDIE AMSLER

Wouldn't you know it? All of a sudden comes the dawn when these girls in Field Service Division remember that 1956 is leap year, and they really get busy.

On Friday, December 16th, Bobbie Sue Williams became the bride of Doyle E. Clark of Florence, in an evening ceremony in the Mt. Zion Church of Christ.

The following Monday, Dec. 19, Bonnie Sanderson changed her name to Mrs. Robert Hayden Wood.

Then Clara Teters took us all by surprise when she decided to

I may be in Det. "A", Det. "B", an MP (what have I said?), or I may be a civilian. This makes it extremely difficult to mention anyone, for that particular person may not be in my detachment, let alone Hq. Det. There is also a possibility that I moved into the wrong building, then I would no longer be writing for any detachment in 9330 TU. Incidentally, what is the New Jersey Turnpike doing here?

Let's see who's in the detachment news. It is true that Jim Pappas misses a certain little Miss from "back home"? He seems to have forsaken the Huntsville beauties for the masochistic pleasure of brooding in the barracks.

Sure . . . New Yorkers can ride horses too. Ask Tony Scorsone. If you're wondering why he doesn't sit down . . . don't ask me.

Bohac, a newcomer in Hq. Det., has extended a chess challenge to any chess player in the barracks, provided that the game is played by mail. He claims that the player's face disturbs his line of concentration. I don't blame him; have you ever really noticed man's grotesque features?

Here's some dirty rumors: The mothers of Huntsville are signing a petition to have SP3 Carl Dow transferred . . . why??? GIs will be required to punch "time clocks" at their respective jobs. Pfc. Hugh Mason is now managing "Rocky" Rocco Siclarr, who will soon meet Tillman at Tillman's Gym. "Humphrey's" is reported to be on Russia's list of ten top targets. The "Ritz" is planning to build an underground extension. Is it true that Hugel's boy scouts are well versed in commando tactics and infiltration? Can it be that the "Informers" is an impersonator?

A recent poll of Hq. personnel has shown unanimous opinions on certain personalities: Fry . . . wittiest guy; Whittum . . . strongest feller; Dow . . . most likely to succeed (at what though); Norman . . . most talkative; Kalina . . . handsomest (if you squint a little); Trommeter . . . Liberace's hair.

Time out for a serious thought. Hq. Det. extends its sincere sympathy and condolence to Pfc. and Mrs. Frame on the unfortunate death of their baby.

John Buchan, the poet, once said:

"I sit alone, and musing fills
My breast with pain that shall
not die,
Till once again o'er greener hills
We ride together, you and I."

"Operation Phase-Out" has come and gone. "Operation Fizzle" came to a climax on the 20th of January. Now, it's time to watch for "Operation Mixup" on the bulletin boards. Till next time, see y'all.

become Mrs. Mitchell Pepper on January 7.

And that's not all. By the time this is in print, Martha Turner and Eric Gustafson will have become Mr. and Mrs. G. They were married last Saturday, Jan. 21, in the home of Martha's sister, June Shapiro, with members of the family attending.

You see how it goes; and who knows—who will be next?

We wish many happy returns of the day to all you people.

From Brides and grooms, our thoughts turn to babies. Naturally.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Krewson announce the birth of a daughter January 7th at the Huntsville Hospital. This young lady weighed 8 pounds 6½ ounces at birth and was 22 inches long, or tall, maybe. (Thanks for the cigar, Luther—I really enjoyed it.)

Debra Lynn Martin, weighing 6 pounds 13 ounces, arrived January 16th at the 5th Avenue Hospital to make her home with Betty and Willie Martin.

Congratulations to the new mamas and paps.

The New Year left a baby on the door steps of this division and its name is the Administrative Operations Office. This office consolidates the many administrative services which are

String Concert Will Give Concert Jan. 27

The University of Alabama String Quartet will present the second of three concerts at 8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 27, at the Huntsville High School auditorium.

Arsenal military personnel may purchase tickets for 75 cents for themselves and guests. If they also purchase tickets for the third concert to be presented at a later date, both tickets may be bought for \$1.25.

Tickets for civilians for the second concert will be \$1.25 each.

required by this division — you know, stuff like mail and records, travel, division files, supplies — even publications. And here, too, is the planning that makes our division click.

This office is a merging of the former P&M Office and the Administrative Office, with several people from the national points thrown in for good measure.

Stepping sprightly along on its newly-formed basis, the office seems to be shaping up according to plans. Certainly, we wish all success to the AOO.

HQ. DET., 9330 TU
BY "THE INFORMER"

This week's article should be entitled . . . "The Shuffle and Re-

shuffle of Practically Everybody." Detachment "B" exiled all non-GMDD men to Hq. Det. and Det. "A". Hq. Det. poured the "UNWANTED" into Det. "B". Det. "A" deported her "untouchables" to Det. "B", while securing for herself the purged RDD and R&D souls. Things became so messed up that, for an unbearable, short duration, part of Hq. Det. was Det. "B". This MUST be a flagrant show of colonialism . . . imperialism . . . or some other ISM; separation by occupation may lead to undesirable segregation . . . or something. Future water fountains might have signs above them which will read . . . FOR GMDD . . . and another which might say . . . FOR THE REST. The troop area became so chaotic that the three detachments, plus the MPs, were booted out and moved "within the gates" for observation. At least 20 men were lost (mentally) in the "big move!" Surprisingly, we seemed to have gained a few extra sergeants in the shift.

As a result of "Operation Big Move," no one seems to know what detachment he's in. In fact, though I'm writing for Hq. Det.,

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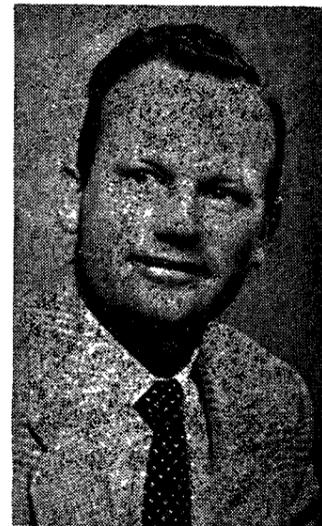
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REDSTONE DEPOT
By WANOPHUS (Pronounced One-of-U's)

It has been an eventful week here in the Depot. The big news item, of course, is the departure of Lt. Col. Ebbert for Newfoundland. We understand he left on the 9:30 plane Sunday morning. After two years, the depot will certainly seem different with him gone.

Our semi-annual Operations Planning Board election was held Monday. The new members of the board are O. L. Bobo and Edmond H. Styles from Ammunition Branch and Frank M. Green from Surveillance. With our two hold-over members, John R. Russell and Claude C. Davis, we are looking forward to a lot of very good ideas from this board.

Euclid Womaek and Jim Day of Ammunition Branch are attending Technical Ammunition Training School at Savanna, Ill. At last report, they seemed to think that this was the wrong time of the year to be going North. Guess we will have to give them a WARM welcome when they return to thaw them out.

During the week, the General Supply Branch was visited by Mr. Sutton from Rock Island Arsenal who is on the trail of storage space for Ordnance Corps General Reserve supplies. In other

words, storage space for stand-by equipment and machinery which has been generated by deactivation of production plants. The present requirement is for 300,000 square feet of good inside heated storage space and we have the space if you have the heat. Incidentally, much of this reserve equipment is presently stored in Michoud Ordnance Plant, located at New Orleans, La. Must be a fairly large building "down there" with 80,000,000 square feet under one roof.

Just in case you happened by the Truck Inspection Yard on Buxton Road during the week and saw many trucks and trailers parked there in the early morning hours, this condition merely indicated that the Ammunition Branch was having another full day outloading their favorite commodity. The largest day on record consisted of about 70 trailers outloaded last October and during this current week, there were two days with 40 each. This smooth-running operation is greatly assisted by a specially rigged forklift truck with a ramrod affair on the front end which gently pushes palletized material into the closed end of commercial trailers. A total of approximately 2,000 tons of ammunition was shipped out during the week. It looks like there will be continued activity along this line.

Personalities in the news consist of all the female members of the depot having visited some sale or other with many new dresses, shoes and accessories displayed (or undisplayed) and many satisfied looks indicating that the store "was took" rather than the customer. It's amazing how many people gain or lose two whole sizes when sale articles are purchased. Someone in surveillance asked Santa Claus for sport shirts with good results.

The Army Corps of Engineers is both a combat arm and a technical service and Engineer officers and men have distinguished themselves in all of the nation's wars.

Committee Chairmen For Party Announced

Committee chairmen for the "S. S. Las Vegas" party planned by the Officers Wives Club for February 4th have been announced by Mrs. T. H. Ebbert, who is the chairman of Special Projects for the Officers Wives Club. Col. and Mrs. Merlin DeGuire

are in charge of games. Decorations will be under the direction of Lt. Commander and Mrs. Julius B. Walker.

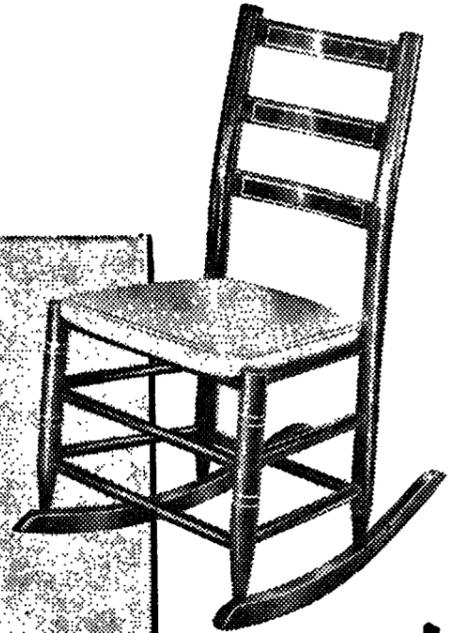
The food committee will be headed by Capt. and Mrs. William Trotter. Major and Mrs. Robert F. Shannon are in charge of property.

Mrs. Otto P. Kohler and Mrs. Robert Winter will take care of the publicity.

Mrs. Marvin D. Parker and her committee will handle reservations and ticket sales.

Funds from the project will be used for all army children on the arsenal including Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Brownies, Cubs and Post Nursery.

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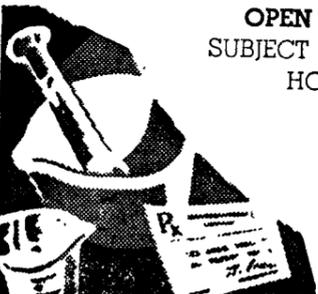
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Members of the Hospitality Committee made all the arrangements for the party and acted as hostesses.

Mrs. Louis Reichmeyer had the Hospitality Committee and her committee members are Mrs. Rudolph Axelsson, Mrs. Paul Gurnee, Mrs. Robert Shannon, and Mrs. Robert Schloss, Jr.

On the table, an arrangement of jonquils and accocia formed the centerpiece.

Mrs. Oliver M. Hirsch, club president, welcomed the newly arrived ladies into the club.

Dinner, Dance Music Set for Sun. Buffet

The success of the recent Sunday buffets at the Redstone Arsenal Officers Mess has prompted Field Service Division to provide dinner dancing music with the buffet on Jan. 29.

The buffet will be served from 4 to 8 p.m. and for one dollar you can eat all you want and dance to the music of the Berlin Robbins Combo. The combo will play from 3 to 7 p.m.

As entertainment for the children, free movies will be shown in the Rocket Auditorium from 3 to 5 p.m. The nursery will be open from 2:30 to 8:30 p.m.

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Jerry Hosemann Feted With Party

Jerry Hosemann, son of Captain and Mrs. Joe Hosemann, celebrated his seventh birthday recently with a clown party at Cameron's Aero Club on Whitesburg Drive.

Approximately forty guests, dressed as clowns, attended the gay affair in the ballroom which was decorated in the circus motif.

Cartoons were shown to the group while they enjoyed popcorn, candy, ice cream and cup cakes.

Assisting Mrs. Hosemann were Mrs. Bailey T. Strain and Mrs. Russell Hart.

FABRICATION LABORATORY

BY KEN LUTHER

THE FAB LAB FEMALE

Categorizing a female is no easy job. But Fab Lab tried it. The winsome set working around us every day is fascinating, to say the least, and we thought that a survey pinning down the average Fab Lab female could be as interesting as handcuffing an orangutan to the CO.

Here's how the survey broke. Our composite Fab Lab gal is 5.5 feet tall, checks out at 116 lbs. (on their words of honor), and wears her nut-brown hair just long enough to preserve female identity in raincoat season. Subjects hesitated to rate their appearance with any particular Hollywood heroine, but entered remarks like "look like a sphinx", "look like a barrel," "take your choice" or "you name it." We hesitated to "name it."

Our average gal falls into Mondays at 6 in the morning. Two who enjoy the bunk more than the birds don't close the window until 7:15. We admire their self-control.

Everyone brushes their teeth—and none use Bab-O. They like their eggs with coffee and a moderately warm husband. Working togs are generally "whatever was clean" more than "glamorous," "efficient" or "provocative"—the latter depending upon mood.

One sweet thing shocked the pollsters by stating that she preferred munching friend onions in the movies to her boyfriends ear. Her man muttered into our phone "cause and effect." It was a draw between the Drive-In and Grand-Lyric security. Ninety per-cent haunt the theatre pages for romantic billings. Most expressed preference for football-baseball sportsmanship rather than the more demanding exertions of being elusive.

Four could sing; five could dance with confidence; five could disturb the piano; and about half could do their job. One single gal said she could play chess.

Just a few more incidentals. More subscribed to Readers Digest than Fortune or Confidential. They thought 12-to-1 that the average male should be a "steady breadwinner" rather than "Dominican Diplomat" or "Jack Armstrong." And they consider GI's "worthy defenders", not "too



INSPECTION TEAM AT ARSENAL—Maj. Ed Long (second from left), Redstone Arsenal inspector general, greets a six-man team from the Ordnance Field Inspection Office, Cincinnati, Ohio, which will be at the Arsenal for about five weeks conducting the annual general inspection of the installation. Members of the team (left to right) are Lt. Col. C. O. Kemman, James J. Collins, J. L. Walther, G. L. Cooper, F. M. Witcraft, and C. T. North.

Civilian Poll Opinion:

MORE PAY AND BETTER HOUSING ARE LISTED AS SERVICE NEEDS

Washington (AFPS)—The armed forces would be more successful in attracting and retaining the high quality personnel they need by increasing financial benefits, improving housing conditions and encouraging a more normal family life.

This was indicated in a survey of civilian attitudes toward military service as a career conducted by Public Opinion Surveys, Inc., of Princeton, N. J., for the Defense Department's Office of Armed Forces Information and Education.

The analysis is now being studied by the DOD and the military

many around." A majority resort to glasses only when reading W-2 forms or being threatened.

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services to find where improvements can be made in present policies and programs affecting military personnel. The findings also will be used as a basis for action on correcting any public misconceptions revealed by the survey.

The survey used two groups—adult civilians and 16 to 20-year-old males—to measure public attitude toward a military career.

The DOD said the study also sought to establish "a baseline from which a program could be launched to enhance the prestige of a military career in order to attract and retain high quality personnel.

Five major conclusions were drawn from the sampling of adult civilians. They are:

1. A military career, whether as an officer or an enlisted man, doesn't carry great prestige among adults at the present time. In the public mind inadequate financial rewards, dislike of service discipline and regimentation, lack of adequate family life and less opportunity to advance than in civilian life are the greatest drawbacks.

2. The best educated group held a lower opinion of both officers and EM than did those with less education.

3. The civilian public does not have a clear idea of the role of the various branches of the service during wartime.

4. Civilian attitudes toward military service are based mostly on reports from people who have been in uniform and from personal service experience. The influence of mass communications media appears to be of secondary importance.

5. The military services would be more likely to attract and retain top quality personnel by raising financial benefits, encouraging a more normal family life wherever possible and improving housing conditions.

The survey among teenagers showed young people saw little prestige in life as an enlisted man. Greater opportunities to advance

in civilian life, lack of adequate family life and inadequate financial rewards were the main reasons given why more officers and EM did not stay in the service. "They got bored," was an oft-stated reason.

Teen-agers held careers as officers in higher regard than did the adult group.

Most of the male teen-agers were inclined to look upon their military service as an "onerous obligation" to get over with as quickly as possible. Despite their overall favorable attitude toward the new reserve program, less than one in 10 said he planned to take advantage of it. However this can be traced in part to a wide lack of understanding of the reserve program.

The youths selected the Air Force as their favorite branch of service, with the Army and Navy following. Most of them expect to see the U. S. in another war during their lifetimes.

Half the adults and 40 per cent of the teen-agers listed education and training as the major advantage of a service career, while about 30 per cent of both groups said the outstanding disadvantage was the lack of an adequate family life.

Of the civilians questioned, 71 per cent considered military personnel to be desirable members of the community, while 11 per cent believed they were not.

The survey among civilian adults also indicated that:

1. Only about 27 per cent definitely would be displeased if their sons took up a military career.

Seventy-four per cent believed the officer places duty above personal welfare. Only 11 per cent said officers place personal considerations first.

3. On the matter of military pay 42 per cent of the teen-agers and 39 per cent of the adults thought the military should be paid more than civilians in comparable jobs, 34 per cent of the teenagers and 43 per cent of the adults said they should be paid about the same, 16 per cent of the younger men and 11 of the adults thought military men should be paid less.

Adults and teen-agers agreed on the initial importance of air power. On teamwork in defense, one-fourth said all services are equally important.

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Sgt. Charles Wildes of (216 West Powhattan) Tampa, Fla.; SFC Charles W. Money of (Route 1) Cedar Bluff, Ala.; Sgt. Clifton McAllister of (305 West Jones Street) Fuquay Springs, N. C.; SFC Melvin C. Collins of Hawkinsville, Ga.; SP2 (Specialist Second Class) Charles E. Cameron of (Route 1) Gulfport, Miss.; Sgt. Ernest W. Neilson of (4740 Airport Way) Seattle, Wash.; SFC Morgan A. Campbell of (803 South Houston Street) Scottsboro, Ala.; and SFC Joseph Rortina, Jr., of (243 Union Street) Hudson, N. Y.

A Real Knockout



Statuesque Julie Benedict, a real knockout, has been picked to play the girl friend of 6'10" Mike Lane in the movie "The Harder They Fall." Julie, who is 6'1", was previously considered too tall for anything but showgirl bits in movies. Pre-fight statistics on Julie are 37-24-37.

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ARMY TO INSTALL FIRST NIKE UNITS IN WEST EUROPE

Washington (AFPS)—Nike anti-aircraft guided missiles soon will be installed in West Germany for the first time, the Army has announced.

An undisclosed number of the supersonic Nikes will be set up in western Europe. They will be a "significant step in strengthening the over-all European air defense system," the Army said.

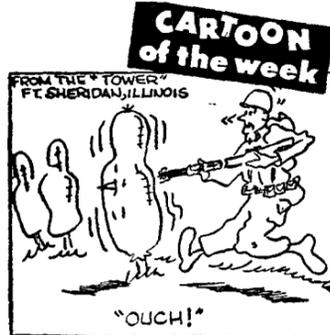
First Girl

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work period at the Arsenal then. And Miss Honour will be one young girl among an even hundred college men.

Army headquarters in Heidelberg, Germany, announced that a survey for possible Nike sites in Western Europe is now under way.

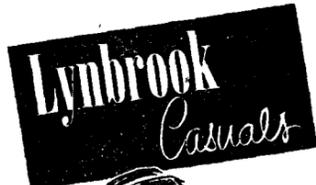
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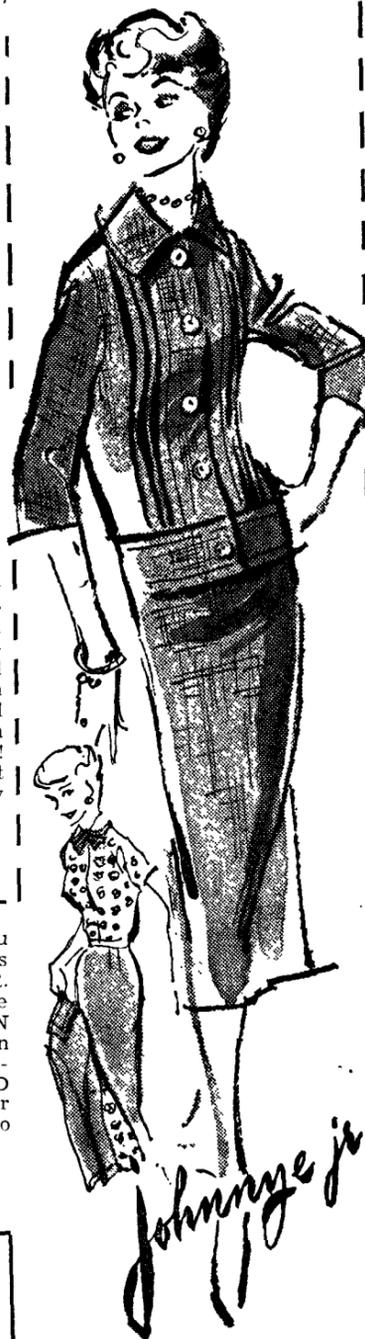
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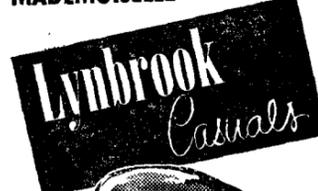


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