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Post to Go on Daylight Saving Time May 4th

OGMS CLASS SHOWS—

From All Walks of Life Come Nation's Missilemen

America's missilemen come from many walks of life as evidenced in a Nike class here at the U. S. Army Ordnance Guided Missile School.

For in one class of 11 enlisted men sit a cattle rancher, lawyer, school teacher, salesman, and design engineer. They're all specialists in their own right, but they have one thing in common—they're on their way to becoming

successful in this new and ever-expanding field and becoming a part of our nation's missile might.

It's not that the Army takes anyone it can get for guided missile training — for at first glance who would imagine a cattle rancher, lawyer, school teacher, salesman, and design engineer becoming successful missile technicians?

These men and hundreds like them have an aptitude for electronics, though it may have been hidden beneath the surface during their high school and college training. The Army picks only the best qualified men with the highest aptitudes for its guided missile training.

Before attending school here the Army makes sure the men are (See FROM ALL on Page 2)

Gen. Toftoy Returns From Hospital, on Convalescent Leave

Maj. Gen. H. N. Toftoy, commanding general of Redstone Arsenal, left yesterday for several weeks of convalescent leave in Florida, following his recent operation.

Gen. Toftoy returned to the arsenal from the U. S. Army's Walter Reed Hospital in Bethesda, Md., last Thursday after undergoing the last of three operations there.

He will return to duty at the end of his convalescent leave.

WORK SCHEDULES REMAIN SAME

Change Effective At Midnight Sat.

All activities on this installation will go on daylight saving time at midnight Saturday, May 4.

Work schedules will remain the same — 8 a.m. to 4:30 p. m., with a lunch period of one-half hour. Previously announced deviations from normal duty hours will continue on the same basis.

The changeover to Central Daylight Time, which requires that clocks be advanced one hour, comes as the result of a poll taken recently at Redstone and throughout the county. Seventy-six per cent of the nearly 11,000 persons voting were in favor of daylight saving time.

Last week Huntsville Mayor R. B. Searcy issued the following proclamation:

"WHEREAS, a number of citizens of the City of Huntsville, Alabama, and the commanding generals in command of Redstone Arsenal have urgently requested that the City of Huntsville adopt daylight saving time as its official time; and

"WHEREAS, in order for this community to adopt daylight saving time it must be upon a voluntary basis, and to seek to discover the opinion of the people of this community, a public and open poll was taken in The Huntsville Times — a newspaper published throughout the City of Huntsville — and a ballot taken at Redstone Arsenal, and said poll reflects that a great majority (76 per cent in favor and 24 percent opposing it) favor the establishment of daylight saving time,

"NOW THEREFORE, I, R. B. Searcy, mayor of the City of Huntsville, Alabama, do hereby urge our civic leaders, store owners and citizens of the City of Huntsville to adopt hours of business in conformity with daylight saving time and to establish the same at midnight, Saturday, May 4, 1957, by moving the time forward one hour."



TRIO 'RE-UPS' — Capt. Paul F. Woodall (extreme left), executive officer, Special Troops, swears in three re-enlisting post soldiers at a recent ceremony, as Sfc. Carl V. Simpson (second from left), post recruiting NCO, looks on. "Re-upping" for six years each were Sfc. Edwin S. Klein, Sgt. Arthur M. Davis, Jr., and SP2 Bernard J. Mondeau. Sfc. Klein, of Spring Grove, Ill., is assigned as an automotive repair supervisor in the 283rd Ord. Det. Sgt. Davis, of Lakeland, Fla., is assigned to the Military Personnel Office, ABMA. SP2 Mondeau is a native of Cloquet, Minn., and is assigned to the Photographic Section of Ordnance Missile Labs, RSA. The three re-enlistees already have a total of 31 years service behind them. The old saying, "Time Is Money," holds true for this trio, too — between them, they shared a reenlistment bonus totaling \$2,542.80.

217TH BN. MARKS FIRST BIRTHDAY

Another Army "first" was chalked up last week when officers and men of the 217th Field Artillery Missile Battalion celebrated their unit's first anniversary.

Formed in April, 1956, at the Army Ballistic Missile Agency, the 217th is the first battalion organized to handle the giant Redstone ballistic missile system in the field.

Maj. Gen. J. B. Medaris, commanding general of the Missile Agency; Brig. Gen. John G. Shinkle, acting commander of Redstone Arsenal; and Col. H. S. Newhall, commandant of the Ordnance Guided Missile School extended congratulations. Lt. Col. J. T. O'Keefe commands the battalion and took part in a cake-cutting ceremony with the distinguished guests.

"In a very literal sense," Gen. Medaris told the assembled battalion, "you have broken new ground. The Army carefully selected your cadre to fulfill a difficult and challenging assignment. You have satisfied every requirement with an esprit de corps which elicited commendation from every quarter. Out of the solutions you devised has come a hard core of experience

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Sens. Smith, Bridges Praise ABMA Group

(Photo Inside)

'ANTI-LITTERBUG' CAMPAIGN BEGUN

It's "Spring cleaning" time on post—and that goes for the roads and grounds, too. reminds the Post Engineer Office.

"The person who thoughtlessly throws a little piece of paper out of his car window just doesn't realize what a big problem he's contributing to — or he wouldn't throw it," said a PE spokesman. "With 14,000 people on post, it doesn't take long for such thoughtlessness create a bad situation."

For instance, in only two days recently, in a concentrated clean-up program, four truck loads of paper, scrap wood, scrap metal, bottles, cans, and other debris were picked up along 10 miles of Patton and Redstone Roads by Post Engineer crews.

The total cost of cleaning up these two roads was \$297.92.

An "anti-litterbug" campaign appeal has been issued to all personnel by the Post Engineer Office to help keep the installation clean. "This is the time of year when the natural scenery is at its prettiest," a spokesman pointed out. "It seems a shame to spoil it by thoughtlessly littering up our grounds and roads."

Posters on the "anti-litterbug" theme will shortly be put up about the installation.

"To be really effective, this must be a continuing thing, though, not just emphasized for a couple of weeks and then forgotten," it was added.

Two members of the U. S. Senate paid an official visit to the Army Ballistic Missile Agency Thursday and expressed their satisfaction at the progress in the development of long range ballistic missiles.

They were U. S. Senators Styles Bridges (R., N.H.), and Margaret Chase Smith (R., Me.). They were accompanied by Dr. William H. Martin, director of research and development in the Office of the Secretary of the Army.

Maj. Gen. J. B. Medaris, the Agency commander, and his staff briefed the senators on the progress of weaponizing the Redstone Ballistic Missile System and developing the Intermediate Range Jupiter Missile. The visitors toured laboratories and witnessed static firing of rocket engines.

Before departing for Washington, D. C., Sen. Smith was asked for her impressions of the Agency. Her reply was:

"I am so impressed that I have to go home and think it over. I am amazed at the type of personnel down here, the organization and the progress that is being made under Gen. Medaris."

Sen. Bridges said that he and his colleague are members of the Senate Appropriations Committee. He is also a member of the Armed Services Committee. Both committees pass upon appropriations for all armed forces installations.

"Both of us are intensely interested in the missile program," Sen. Bridges declared, "and particularly in the progress being made here at Redstone. We were impressed today with the spirit of the personnel engaged in the work and the dedication with which they approach their duties. It is a very outstanding installation. We commend Gen. Medaris and all of his associates for the outstanding job they are doing."

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NEW MOBILE UNIT CAN DESTROY CLASSIFIED MATERIAL RAPIDLY

The Intelligence and Security Office at Redstone has a new mobile unit to destroy classified material at the rate of 40 mail bags or about one thousand pounds of (See NEW on Page 2)



DISPOSES CLASSIFIED WASTE — Mrs. Bobbie Toussiant (right) hands classified waste to Russell R. Gentle to dispose of in the new mobile grinder unit assigned to the RSA Intelligence and Security Office. The grinder can pulp and bleach one thousand pounds of paper an hour. Mr. Gentle is the machine operator. Mrs. Toussiant works in the Intelligence and Security office. (Photo by Rex Evers)

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paper in one hour, according to James C. Lynch, Intelligence and Security officer.

The unit is the largest of its kind in the United States, he said, and will operate on a schedule published in unnumbered memorandum form April 16, 1957.

The machine is handled by Russell R. Gentle, a member of Lynch's staff and will service the Army Ballistic Missile Agency and the Ordnance Guided Missile School as well as Redstone.

Custodians and witnesses of destruction of classified matter will no longer stand over hot boilers and poke up fires until they are sure that the outmoded papers are entirely destroyed.

Instead, they drop their material in a large vat with teeth that grind it to pulp with the aid of a little water. The pulp is conveyed through a chute into a dump truck bed and there is no chance that secrets will fall into unauthorized hands.

However, Mr. Lynch's people advise that a witness from the custodian's office be there too. Otherwise, the machine operator will have to check the material to be destroyed before destruction, and this will waste valuable time. Classified waste should also be hand carried to the machine.

Made by Wadell Manufacturing Co., this machine is powered with Chrysler motors and was originated as a garbage disposal unit. Then, the manufacturers thought of using this to get rid of classified papers.

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prepared for missile training by developing their aptitudes in the Ordnance Electronic Entry Course at Fort Monmouth, N. J. supersonic weapon capable of following and destroying enemy aircraft.

Ordnance Electronic Entry Course at Fort Monmouth, N. J. With few exceptions, once they have the electronics training, the men take to guided missiles like ducks to water.

A typical class here is a six-week course which trains enlisted men in the inspection, repair, and maintenance of the internal guidance system of the Nike, a supersonic weapon of following and destroying enemy aircraft.

To Pvt. Ray Johnson of Durand, Ill., it's a long way from riding range on his cattle ranch to sitting in a classroom studying guided missiles. He's in partnership with his brother in a Black Angus cattle ranch in Durand.

Pvt. Bradley M. McTavish of Milwaukee, Wis., never thought he'd be tinkering with guided

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and information which will greatly benefit those who will follow.

"As you enter a new year, I know that you carry the high hopes of those who believe that by marshalling an unprecedented array of mobile firepower in the hands of courageous and skillful fighting men, the Army has kept the peace and spared our homes from aggression."

HOURLY PAY RATES FOR WAGE BOARD EMPLOYEES

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2	1.35	1.42	1.49	1.56
3	1.42	1.49	1.56	1.64
4	1.49	1.57	1.65	1.73
5	1.57	1.65	1.73	1.82
6	1.63	1.72	1.81	1.89
7	1.71	1.80	1.89	1.98
8	1.79	1.88	1.97	2.07
9	1.85	1.95	2.05	2.15
10	1.93	2.03	2.13	2.23
11	2.00	2.11	2.22	2.32
12	2.08	2.19	2.30	2.41
13	2.15	2.26	2.37	2.49
14	2.22	2.34	2.46	2.57
15	2.30	2.42	2.54	2.66
16	2.37	2.49	2.61	2.74
17	2.44	2.57	2.70	2.83
18	2.52	2.65	2.78	2.92
19	2.58	2.72	2.86	2.99
20	2.66	2.80	2.94	3.08
21	2.74	2.88	3.02	3.17
22	2.80	2.95	3.10	3.25
23	2.88	3.03	3.18	3.33
24	2.95	3.11	3.27	3.42
25	3.02	3.18	3.34	3.50
26	3.10	3.26	3.42	3.59
27	3.17	3.34	3.51	3.67
28	3.24	3.41	3.58	3.75

Shift Differentials:

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To be effective at the beginning of the first pay period after 4 May 1957.

The first fleet movement through the Panama Canal was made April 23, 1934. More than 100 ships bound for the West Coast went through the canal in 47 hours.

missiles after receiving his degree in law from Marquette University.

Steven W. Cassidy, a private from Fort Wayne, Ind., supervised the operations of 15 salesmen before entering the service, and Pfc Robert C. Gauntlett designed heating, refrigeration, and air-conditioning units while a civilian.

And, to Pvt. Ronald B. Wilson of Mountain, Wis., guided missile training is quite a switch from teaching school.

Others in the class are Pvts. Norman W. Williams, Jr., a former radio-TV repairman from Odessa, Texas; Donald W. Mack, an employee of American Airlines from Chicago, Ill.; and Alphonse C. Ronowski, a history major from Marquette University and Milwaukee, Wis.

A steady influence is provided by three sergeants with a total in-service time of more than 34 years, who are remaining here to continue their schooling.

Upon completion of the course, McTavish, Wilson, Ronowski, and Cassidy are being transferred to White Sands Proving Grounds, N. M., while Johnson, Williams, Mack, and Gauntlett are being reassigned to jobs within the School.

HOURLY PAY RATES FOR WAGE BOARD SUPERVISORY EMPLOYEES

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1	1.85	1.95	2.05	2.15
2	2.00	2.10	2.21	2.31
3	2.15	2.26	2.37	2.49
4	2.29	2.41	2.53	2.65
5	2.43	2.56	2.69	2.82
6	2.58	2.72	2.86	2.99
7	2.73	2.87	3.01	3.16
8	2.88	3.03	3.18	3.33
9	3.05	3.21	3.37	3.53
10	3.24	3.41	3.58	3.75
11	3.42	3.60	3.78	3.96
12	3.60	3.79	3.98	4.17
13	3.78	3.98	4.18	4.38
14	3.90	4.10	4.31	4.51
15	4.01	4.22	4.43	4.64
16	4.14	4.36	4.58	4.80
17	4.28	4.50	4.73	4.95

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Industrial Engineers Set Meeting Monday

The May meeting of the North Alabama Chapter of American Institute of Industrial Engineers will be held on Monday, 6 May.

A film on electronic data processing systems will be shown at 5 p.m. in Room 51, Building A-101. Following the showing of this film, a dinner meeting will be held at the Redstone Officer's Club beginning at 7 p.m.

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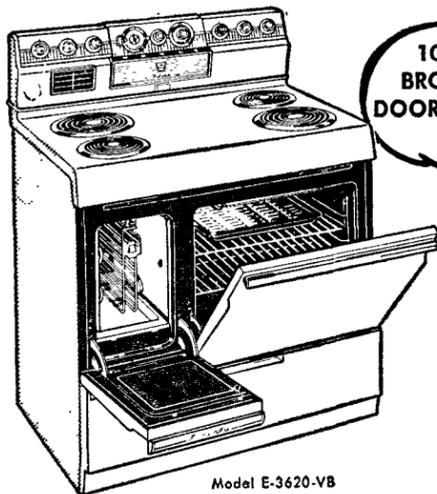
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Cost Accountants Nominate Officers

J. Grady Shaw of Decatur has been nominated for president of the North Alabama Chapter of the National Association of Cost Accountants for 1957-58. Mr. Shaw has served in the chapter as vice-president for the last two years. He is a member of the accounting staff of Chemstrand Corp.

Nominated to serve as vice-presidents are James G. Thomas, Rohm and Haas Co., Huntsville, and Howard W. Girford, Reynolds Metals Co., Sheffield. A. Q. Weaver, Baker Manufacturing Co., Hartselle, was nominated to serve as treasurer and R. D. Meredith Jr., Reynolds Metals Co. was nominated for secretary.

Nominated for directors were Joe T. Jones, Leon McCrary, Lloyd F. McMurrie, Robert C. Huffman, Robert N. Stephenson, Hubert E. Burleson, Frank J. McLaughlin, Jr., Claude H. McBride, Jr., and O. J. LaPointe.

Frank E. Dornon, Jr., chairman of the nominating committee, announced the nominations.

Lieutenant T. G. Ellyson qualified as the first Navy aviator April 12, 1911.

Three Toastmasters Give First Speeches

Three members of the Redstone Toastmasters Club gave their first speeches at the weekly meeting April 23 at Redstone Arsenal Officers' Mess.

Col. Arthur Lahlum was elected best speaker of the evening for his presentation titled "The cobreaker." While this is a generic title for the first speech in the "Basic Training" series of Toastmasters International, the title was particularly appropriate to Col. Lahlum's speech as he told of his experiences in Greenland and the arctic regions.

Others giving their first speech were Lt. Tom Lindsey, aide to the commanding general at Redstone, and Maj. Bob Darnell of the British Army who is liaison officer at Redstone. The first speech is designed to introduce the speaker to the club, and to give him an opportunity to present his experiences and interests to the other members.

The fourth speaker on the program was Hand Hall, who spoke on "Human Relations" and their importance in the daily world of business. Toastmaster for the evening was Tom Enzor; "Table Topics" were led by Capt. Joe Pinkston. A brief business meeting was held prior to the speaking program.

Guests for the evening were Walt Slade and Jack Pedigo.

THE STAMP CORNER BY J. H. MULDER

The Post Office Department has just announced that a special three cent stamp would be issued from Norfolk, Va., during the period of 8-17 June to mark an International Naval Review which is to be a highlight of the Jamestown 350th anniversary celebration. The stamp will be in aqua blue color and will express a "Friendship of the Seas" theme.

Another stamp possibility for next year is a stamp to mark the 75th anniversary of the Civil Service Act of 1833. A bill has been introduced into Congress to effect this issue.

The USPOD is trying out a new idea with respect to coil stamps. These will now be available in rolls of 100 (instead of 500) and will enter a plastic dispenser for five cents. It will be interesting to see the reaction to this method of dispensing.

Wantads Get Results



U. S. SENATORS VISIT MISSILE AGENCY — Left to right: U. S. Sen. Styles Bridges (R., N. H.), Maj. Gen. J. B. Medaris, Commanding General, Army Ballistic Missile Agency; U. S. Senator Margaret Chase Smith (R., Me.) and Dr. Wm. H. Martin, director of research and development, Office of the Secretary of the Army. Photo was taken at the Redstone Arsenal airstrip today (24 April 1957) on the occasion of official visit to the Missile Agency by Dr. Martin and the Senators, who are members of the Senate Appropriations Committee. Sen. Bridges is also a member of the Senate Armed Services Committee. (U. S. Army Photo).

Employment Service Available Through Accountants Assoc.

Employment service is available without charge to those wishing to employ accountants and people in related jobs through the North Alabama Chapter of the National Association of Cost Accountants, Hugh F. Henderson of Sheffield, employment director of the local chapter has announced.

In calling attention to this service of the NACA, Mr. Henderson called attention to the fact that the local group had contact with 129 other chapters of the NAACA located throughout the country, and thus can provide a wide selection of applicants and of jobs when the need arises.

Employers desiring accounting personnel are invited to get in touch with the local chapter through Mr. Henderson whose address is 1409 34th Street, Sheffield. A job specification sheet will be furnished, in order that

RELIGIOUS SERVICES

The following religious services are held each Sunday at the Post Chapel, Building T-151, in the Old Troop Area. You are invited to attend the services of your faith regularly.

PROTESTANT

10:00 a.m. — Morning Worship
10:00 a.m. — Sunday Church School for children ages 3 to Senior High.

Holy Communion is served the first Sunday of each month.

CATHOLIC

7:30 a.m. — Confessions.
8:00 a.m. — Sunday Mass and Benediction.

the chapter may have an accurate description of the jobs to be filled.

Persons desiring employment may also communicate with Mr. Henderson who will provide an application blank on which the applicant may list his qualifications.

JEWISH

Services are held at Temple B'Nai Shalom, Lincoln and Clinton Streets, Huntsville, at 8:00 p.m. on Friday.

Attend the services of your faith regularly. If you haven't already started, begin this Sunday. A free nursery is conducted during both Protestant and Catholic services for babies and small children.

CHAPEL BUS SCHEDULE

Catholic Mass:
Leave Troop Area — 7:25 a.m.
Arrive Chapel, Bldg. T-151 — 3:00 a.m.
Leave Chapel — 2:50 a.m.
Arrive Troop Area — 9:00 a.m.
Protestant Service:
Leave Troop Area, Bldg. 631 — 9:30 a.m.
Arrive Wherry Housing Area — 9:40 a.m.
Leave Wherry Housing Area — 9:45 a.m.
Arrive Chapel, Bldg. T-151 — 9:55 a.m.
Leave Chapel — 11:05 a.m.
Arrive Wherry Housing Area — 11:15 a.m.
Arrive Troop Area — 11:25 a.m.

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POSITIVE EMOTIONAL AND MENTAL HEALTH SHOULD BE AIM OF ALL

(Editor's note: The following article on mental health was submitted by Dr. Bartley L. Ness, Jr., psychologist at the Post Hospital.)

The cafe was practically deserted, only a truck driver and the waiter there. They were talk-

ing about some item in the local newspaper. "What is this mental health we hear about?" "Oh, that is what you got when you ain't nuts. Those guys who lose it and go off their rocker wind up in the nut house."

It is acknowledged that the above conversation is fictitious.

However, it could be true. All of us have probably heard remarks to that effect and possibly have unthinkingly made similar remark ourselves.

But, what is positive emotional and mental health? It is much easier to define illness than health. Physicians more usually determine the degree or severity of the disease process rather than how healthy a person is. That is because of traditional emphasis upon the curative aspects of medicine.

In modern science, however, more and more attention is being focused towards maintaining positive health rather than negative illness — a preventive approach as particularly found in modern public and industrial medicine. We have also learned that our emotional health is just as important as our physical status. Although realized for years, we are daily becoming more aware of the tremendous influence mind and body have on each other, for they are one. Many people go to their physician with every little ache or pain but fail to give any thought or attention to their emotional health.

So, what is positive emotional and mental health? The absence becomes glaringly apparent when we hear or read about the mother of six children going to a mental hospital, when a loving father goes berserk and shoots his loved ones, when vigorous youths beat and kill an elderly man, when a girl still in her childhood runs away from home to live a life of prostitution, when a successful business executive or scientist commits suicide. Such life tragedies idelibly etch themselves in our minds.

We prick up our ears and pay attention when we hear that in Alabama alone, 7,200 mental pa-

tients are crowded into our two state hospitals where there are only 3,980 approved beds with too few staff and facilities. But, none of that can happen to me, we may think.

But, what about those ulcers, migraine headaches, sleepless nights, irritability, loss of temper, feelings of depression, prejudice, resentment, suspicion, jealousy, inferiority, and insecurity, alcoholism, loneliness, tensions and anxieties for which we may take our nationally famous "tranquility pills?"

Although not as extreme and far less sensational they, too, are signs of emotional and mental illness. But those happen to most of us. Yes, we are led to the realistic conclusion that we are all at least a little bit emotionally ill in one or more respects and could be more healthy than we are.

Therefore, positive emotional and mental health becomes that

Missilemen, Maids To Sing on Radio Mon., Tues., Evenings

The Missilemen and Maids will present a 15 minute radio broadcast Monday evening, 6 May, at 6:45 over Station WBHP.

Included in the program will be selections by the combined Men and Maids and two songs by the Missilemen alone.

On Tuesday evening the combined groups will give a program for the local Music Appreciation group.

state of being—including attitudes, feelings, and resulting behavior—which enables each of us to feel comfortable within ourselves and to get along comfortably and successfully with our neighbors and associates. Are you as emotionally healthy as you might be?

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COMMENDED FOR GUIDED MISSILE RESEARCH — First Lt. Charles M. Schloss, Jr., receives a commendation ribbon with metal pendant from Brig. Gen. John G. Shinkle, deputy commanding general of Redstone Arsenal. Lt. Schloss, of Denver, was assigned to Redstone Arsenal in July, 1954 and studied at the Ordnance Guided Missile School. He was then transferred to the Ordnance Missile Laboratories, R&D, as a guided missile research and development officer. His work over the past year has been rated "outstanding." Lt. Schloss is a graduate of the University of Colorado with a bachelor of science degree in engineering physics. While at school, he was a member of the Zeta Beta Tau fraternity, the Sigma Pi Sigma, physics honorary, and Pi Tau Pi. He came to Redstone from the 22nd AAA Group at Chicago where he was the Group communications officer. Lt. Schloss is a licensed amateur radio operator. His wife (right) is the former Miss Jo Ann Bock, daughter of Mrs. Sam Bock, 727 Garfield St., Denver. The couple have two children, Charles M. III and Sindi Jo.

At The Service Club

BY MARTY GATES
Here we are at the beginning of a new month, let's hope that something on the program will catch your fancy. You know all

constructive criticism is appreciated, so if there is some activity program or service which your Service Club can plan for your pleasure please let us know a-

bout it.

We'd like to take just a bit of space here to say a great big "thanks" to Mr. Walters, Mr. Hodd Smith, and all the members of the Huntsville Town Band who gave us the fine program on Sunday afternoon.

For all you bridge players, here's a little plan we hope you'll enjoy. Starting tonight and then every Wednesday night this month we will have a bridge party. Party bridge will be played, complete with tallies, snacks, and prizes for high and low score and possibly a travelling prize. Let's make this a time for some bridge fun at 6:45 p.m. each Wednesday night beginning tonight.

Our first sightseeing tour of the season will be to the beautiful Cathedral Caverns near Scotsboro. We plan for the buses to leave the service club at 1:30 p.

Communism in U. S. To be Lecture Topic

Capt. Jack Lentz, an instructor from the Army Intelligence School at Ft. Holabird, Md., will give two presentations in the Rocket Auditorium on "Communism in the United States." on May 3, it was announced by James C. Lynch, chief of the Intelligence and Security Office.

The lecture is confidential and will be presented at 10 a.m. and again at 1 p.m. It lasts two hours. Deputy security officers and key officials from the Army Ballistic Missile Agency, Redstone Arsenal, and the Ordnance Guided Missile School have been invited to attend the lecture.

Much of Capt. Lentz's Army experience has been in Europe. He is considered one of the foremost authorities on Communism in this country.

Prior to attendance, RSA 666 cards must be filled out. They may be obtained from the unit deputy security officer.

m., so if you would like to go, be sure to sign up on the tour list in the Service Club by Thursday morning. Tomorrow, that is. The Service Club will provide a picnic lunch on the trip so you won't get too hungry before you get back.

Here it is!! Just what you've been waiting to hear! The girls from the Chattanooga YWCA are coming back for a dance on Friday night the 10th of May. So plan now, get that tie and suit out and ready so you can be here to dance to the music of Bob Miller's orchestra.

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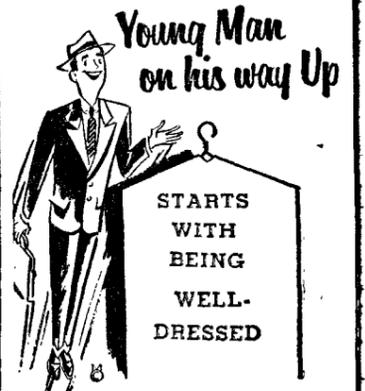
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SPORTS

TENNIS TEAM DOWNS FT. CAMPBELL

Redstone Arsenal's tennis team showed their superiority again Saturday as they defeated Ft. Campbell, Ky., 5 to 4 in matches played at Campbell.

Redstone's Don Newton and Thomas Frost both won their single and double matches. Thomas Frost playing with Jack Gibson in the doubles and Newton with Ewbanks.

Coach Ewbank's team will travel to Marion Military Institute to play return matches this Saturday. Redstone defeated Marion last week.

The tennis team's record to

date is three wins and one tie. REDSTONE ARSENAL VS. FT. CAMPBELL, KY.

S. O. English (C) defeated George Carey (R) 6-3, 6-1. Robert Payne (C) defeated E. W. Ewbank (R) 6-4, 6-2.

Jack Gibson (R) defeated Hyman (C) 6-1, 6-3.

G. L. Proctor (C) defeated Don Newton (R) 6-4, 8-6.

Reginald Harris (R) defeated G. Resch (C) 6-3, 6-1.

Thomas Frost (R) defeated Doug Kennedy (C) 6-1, 6-1.

English & Payne (C) defeated Carey & Harris (R) 6-0, 6-3.

Ewbank & Newton (R) defeated Proctor & Hyman (C) 6-2, 4-6, 6-3.

Gibson and Frost (R) defeated Resch & Kennedy (C) 6-0, 6-3.

BASEBALLERS TOP FT. CAMPBELL IN 2 PRACTICE TILTS

The Redstone Rockets baseball team defeated Ft. Campbell Ky. in two games played last weekend at Linton Field.

Although these games were only practice, the Rockets made an impressive showing with prospects of a good season.

The Rockets will open their home season against Donaldson Air Force Base on the 9th of May at 7 p. m. at Linton Field.

In the game played Saturday night, Robert Carter and J. B. White pitched the Rockets to their 9 to 7 victory and on Sunday afternoon David Boyer and Roy Marrero pitched the Rockets to a 7 to 4 win.

Outstanding on the local team was George Watts, with excellent fielding and hitting.

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Eleven members of the Redstone Arsenal Pistol Squad fired with 158 top pistol shooters from the South at the Spring Hand Gun Tournament held at Fort Benning, Ga., on 27-28 April.

SP-2 Richard McKee, OGMS, won first place in the .45 caliber slow fire match and second place in the .45 caliber and center fire aggregate matches in the Marksman Class.

Pvt-2 Thomas E. Rickman, ABMA won second place in the center fire and .22 caliber timed fire matches in the Marksman Class.

CWO George Seely, OGMS, fired the high aggregate score for the squad with 2374 out of 2700 possible points.

Hollenback Stars As Tracksters Lose to Campbell

Redstone Arsenal's track team was defeated by a strong Ft. Campbell, Ky. team in a meet held at Campbell Saturday, 27 April.

Bill Hollenback was the outstanding member of the Redstone team establishing a new post record in both shotput and discus.

Hollenback threw the shotput 42 feet, 9 1/2 inches, and the discus 125 feet and 7 inches.

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FT. BRAGG ELIMINATES REDSTONE FROM THIRD ARMY VOLLEYBALL PLAY

Redstone Arsenal's volleyball team was defeated last week in the Third Army Volleyball Tournament at Ft. Benning, Ga.

In the first game, the volleyball men were defeated by Ft. Jackson in two out of three games, Ft. Jackson winning the first and third game 15 to 12 and 15 to 11, Redstone taking the second 15 to 13.

Redstone defeated its next two opponents, Ft. Campbell in two straight games, 14 to 11 and 14 to 12, and Ft. McClellan also in two straight games, 15 to 8 and 15 to 8.

Ft. Bragg defeated Redstone in two straight games 15 to 11 and 15 to 8, thereby eliminating Redstone in the double elimination tournament.

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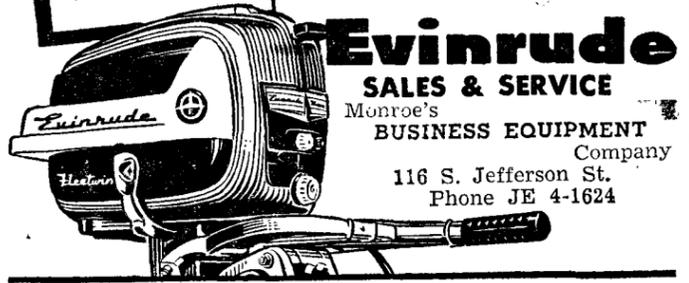
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Oldtimer's Safety Lecture Put to 'Ultimate' Test

(Editor's note: The article below was submitted by the RSA Historian who extracted the humorous 'yarn' from a column called "Redstone Yarns" which appeared on Sept. 29, 1945, in the old base newspaper, The Redstone Eagle.)

Back in Redstone's early days, it has been said that some amusing incidents occurred in the process of getting the production lines built and into operation. To tell the truth about it nobody knew exactly what might happen, and while all precautions possible were being taken to protect the workers, many beautiful cases of the "jitters" undoubtedly developed among the little group of persons who struggled so faithfully to get things going. The Eagle's roving reporter recently ran across the story of one of these incidents, which was told to him by an "oldster" who is now employed in the Engineering Division. The reporter thought the yarn was good enough to pass on to the Eagle's readers.

It seems that a class in safety training had been organized and was holding its first session in

the Administration Building on the same night that the first experimental run of explosives was being made on Line 1. All of those who were participating in the safety training class were aware of the momentous events that were taking place on the production line and all of them were tense with excitement and a certain degree of apprehension.

The training instructor, probably realizing the tenseness of the group, chose to talk to them that night on the importance of keeping their nervousness under control and always acting with calmness and deliberation, both in the course of their regular duties and in the face of emergencies as well. No doubt his lecture was good and there was lots of good old horse sense in the things he told the fellows that night. Also, there is no doubt that everything would have been lovely, except that—

Just about the time the instructor had finished his learned exposition on the necessity of calmness in the face of emergencies, somebody took a notion to blast a few rocks in a nearby rock quarry. Well, sir, the effect on that tense and apprehensive audience was instantaneous. They immediately concluded that their worst fears were justified and that the new production line had evaporated into the space whence it came. Somehow, so the "oldster" told the reporter, there just weren't enough doors and windows in that classroom.

Who was the first one through the window? Yes, you guessed it. The instructor beat all of his erstwhile students. It is said that he later explained that he felt it his duty to follow the usual safety



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LOVELY GRASS — Perched prettily on one water ski, shapely Mary Ann Grass practices for the Water Ski Tournament for Women in Cypress Gardens, Fla.

NEW MEETING DATE

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Friday, 3 May 57, "She Devil" starring Mari Blanchard, Jack Kelly and Albert Dekker (Mature) Time 1900

Saturday, 4 May 57, "To Paris with Love" starring Alec Guinness (Mature) Time 1900.

Sunday, 5 May 57, "Twelve Angry Men" starring Henry Fonda and Lee J. Cobb (Mature)

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Monday, 6 May 57, closed.

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Albert Camus, "The Fall."

Leonard Carmichael, "Basic Psychology."

Gina Cerminara, "The World Within."

Donald Chidsey, "This Bright Sword."

John Collier, "His Monkey Wife; Or, Married to a Chimp."

Carleton Coon, "The Seven Caves."

David Daiches, "Two Worlds."

Eddie Davis, "Laughter in Bed"

Hildegard Dolson, "A Growing Wonder."

George Dufek, "Operation Deepfreeze."

The Economist (London), "The U.S.S.R. and Eastern Europe."

Phyllis Fenner, "The Proof of the Pudding."

Janice Giles, "The Believers."

Henry Hansen, "Costumes and Styles."

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Alfred Noyes, "A Letter to Lucian."

George Panetta, "Viva Madison Avenue!"

Ruth Randall, "The Courtship of Mr. Lincoln."

Samuel Rapport, "America Remembers."

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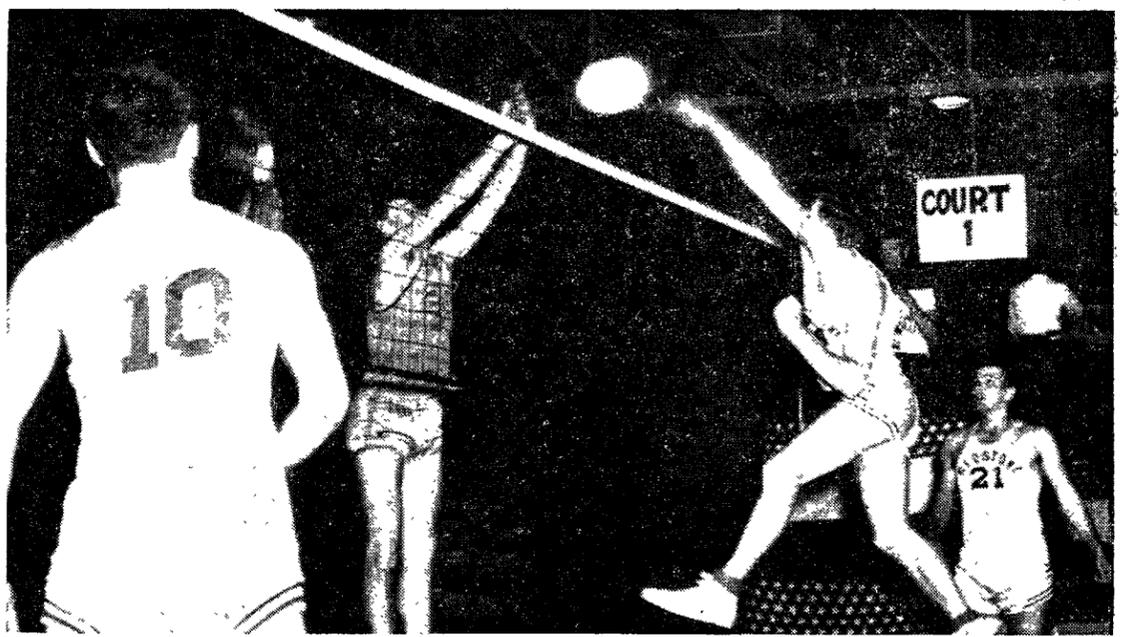
Frank Slaughter, "Sword and Scalpel."

Andre Soubiran, "Bedlam."

Jill Stern, "Not in Our Stars."

James Stokley, "The New World of the Atom."

Philip Stong, "Gold in Them Hills."



SPIKE SHOT — Getting ready to "slam it down their throats," Elmer Kulousek of Redstone Arsenal lets go with a sharp spike attempt in a contest against Fort Campbell, Ky. Other Redstone players are Rudy Mike (10) and Gene Gilbertson (21). Redstone won easily in two sets, 14-11 and 14-12 to sweep the win in the second day action April 23 of the Third U. S. Army Volleyball Tournament at Fort Benning's Briant Wells Field House. Redstone was eliminated from the tourney by Fort Bragg, N. C.

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Five German Army Officers on Tour of Redstone and OGMS

Five Army officers from the Republic of West Germany arrived yesterday morning for an orientation tour of Redstone Arsenal and the Ordnance Guided Missile School.

The German visitors are Col. Kurt Fischer, Col. Hans Schumann, Lt. Col. Wilhelm P. Sieber, Lt. Col. Kurt Laube, and Maj. Hans-Werner Mehlen. The group will depart Friday afternoon.

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The Times (London), "The Times Atlas of the World, v-4. Southern Europe and Africa."

Robert Warren, "Segregation."

Milton White, "The Power of Self-Knowledge."

Year, "Pictorial History of the World."

Frank Swinnerton, "Background with Chrous."

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MARIANNA DOTSON gave up a movie career to become the wife of Major Raymon S. "Fred" Dotson. The couple is pictured above (left) discussing a trip Marianna plans to make to Hollywood this Fall to audition for a new movie. The photograph in the center is of Marianna and

Eva Gabor and was taken during the filming of "Captain Kidd and His Slave Girls." At right is Marianna with her "naturalized" sewing machine busily at work whipping up a new creation for a weekend out of town.

FORMER 'MISS BELGIUM' AND 'MISS UNIVERSE' CONTESTANT

Lucky Redstone Major Has 'Designing' Actress for Wife

Marianna Dotson tingled with excitement the first time she saw the Statue of Liberty and the buildings of New York's Park Avenue in 1952. All her life she had dreamed of coming to the United States and becoming a designer of women's clothes. This trip was not for that purpose, but it didn't matter. The 5'8" winner of the Miss Belgium beauty contest was thrilled to be here. Auburn-haired Marianna, the wife of Redstone's Maj. Raymon

S. "Fred" Dotson, was born in Eynatten, Belgium, shortly before fighting began between Belgium and Germany. From one day to the next Marianna never knew to what country she owed her allegiance—Belgium or Germany. She had lost her brother, Hans (17) during World War II while he was serving in a "work" camp, and her father immediately following the war in 1945. She still had her mother and sister, Edith, however—and a whole new life

before her in the United States. Marianna, while attending school in Brussels, had applied to enter the "Miss Belgium" beauty contest. Several weeks later, after she had returned to her home and was designing in the department store that had belonged to her father (but which now was owned and operated by her mother) she received a notice to come to Brussels for an interview. Excitedly she packed and was there at the stated time of arrival. She learned that she was competing with approximately 500 other girls in the contest. But the fair-complexioned, brown-eyed beauty won. She was then showered with gifts of all kinds, most of them complete outfits to make up an entirely new wardrobe for her trip to the United States where she would represent her country in the first "Miss Universe" contest ever held. On June 15, 1952, Marianna arrived for the first time in New York where she met nine other contestants and was welcomed by the mayor of New York. A tour of the city, parties, dinners, and shows filled the few hours they were in this fabulous place. They were shown Rocke-

efeller Center, the 21 Club, Stork Club, and the United Nations building. In the UN building they were shown into a room where she had only to push a button to hear, in her own language, what was being said on the assembly floor. On June 17 the girls left New York and, exhausted but happy, soon arrived in Long Beach, California, where they were joined by 66 other representative beauties from all over the world. Many important citizens of the city and state, as well as stage, screen, and radio personalities greeted them upon their arrival. Each girl was provided with a car, a chauffeur, and a chaperone. Another merry whirl of parties, tours, and shows filled their waking hours. There was a party at Jane Russell's house one night which was quite the most unique event Marianna ever attended anywhere. Jane greeted them dressed in slacks and a blouse. Everyone was sitting around here and there in little groups talking when suddenly Jane introduced a preacher to the group. He immediately began to preach an hour-and-a-

half-long sermon. Cookies and punch were served afterwards and everyone went home. Later she attended parties at Cesar Romero's home, Jeff Chandler's and Leslie Caron's. The "Miss Universe" contestants were constantly in demand to appear on television, radio, and in person. Their slightest desire was a command. Anything they wanted to eat—any time of the day or night—was provided. Almost every hour of the day gifts from sponsors and well-wishers were received. Marianna, among the top seven winners in the contest, was offered and accepted contracts from United Artists, Allied Artists, and Universal Studios to appear in a total of 12 movies. Off to Hollywood they went, the top contestants, to be tutored in dancing, dramatics, English, and the three R's—(readin', ritin', and rithmetic). Marianna's geometry teacher was Mary Astor, famed film star of the 30's. Marianna lived in the same apartment house in which Anita Ekberg and Renata Hoy (Miss Germany of 1952) lived. (See 'UNIVERSE' on Page 10)

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CITED FOR EXCELLENCE — Mrs. Evelyn D. Hiers, executive secretary of the Civil Service Board at Redstone, receives a letter of commendation and \$200 from Brig. Gen. John G. Shinkle, Redstone deputy commanding general. Mrs. Hiers also received a letter of commendation from the Redstone Arsenal-Army Ballistic Missile Agency Board of U. S. Civil Service Examiners. This is the second year Mrs. Hiers has been cited for "sustained superior" performance. She is a native of Sandusky, Ohio. Mrs. Hiers came to Redstone Arsenal in January, 1951, when her husband, James Hiers, transferred here. She was then working for the Treasury Department at Columbia, S. C. Mrs. Hiers completed the Department of the Army Senior Clerks course at Rock Island Arsenal, Ill., in 1943. Among the installations where she has been engaged in personnel work are: Rossford Ordnance Depot of Toledo, Ohio, Erie Proving Ground, Ohio where she first worked on the Civil Service Board; and the Sierra Ordnance Depot at Herlong, Calif., where she was chief clerk and executive secretary of the Civil Service Board.

'UNIVERSE'

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Five months later Marianna learned that she would have to return to Belgium to obtain her immigration papers.

In January, 1953, she came back to the United States. During the two years to follow she was given the stage name of Marianna Lynn and parts in four movies and appeared a number of times on television.

She was seen in "Yarkee Pasha" with Jeff Chandler and Rhonda Flemming; "Paris Playboys" with Huntz Hall and Leo Gorcey; "Captain Kidd and His Slave Girls" with Eva Gabor and Tony Dexter; and "Return to Treasure Island" with Tab Hunt-

er. During this time Marianna had not given up her idea of becoming a ladies fashion designer. She spent many of her leisure hours sketching. Clothes she designed were shown by Edita Lead, leading designer in California, on her television shows.

She designed an evening gown for Mrs. Frances Nelson, the wife of a movie director, who wore the gown to a movie directors and actors ball and won first prize.

In the Fall of 1954, Marianna returned to Europe again to visit her mother and sister. While there she made the movie "I Was An Impossible Girl" with co-stars Sonja Zeman and Dieter Borsche, and was offered the lead in "The Marguerite Higgins Story." (Marguerite Higgins, a female American foreign correspondent, gained fame during the Korean action by bravely covering front-line events in the campaign).

For this movie, filmed by an independent producer, it was necessary for Marianna to actually participate in a four-day maneuver with Army troops. Through rain, mud, and slush she tramped. Eating, hiking, and suffering the same discomfort the soldiers suffered. Her quarters, however, differed from the soldiers in that the commanding general had given up his trailer for her use.

Unknown to Marianna, while she was pretending to be the American reporter, the movie re-

porter working with her was taking candid photos and writing articles about Marianna.

Many weeks and months are required to make a film such as this since only a small footage can be obtained at one time. Therefore, after the maneuver Marianna returned home for a brief visit.

Though she spent most of her time sketching while resting in the large three-story yellow stone house, she did attend several socials, among them a tea given by Miss Cornell Borchers, a German movie actress who has played in many American movies. The tea was given at her home in Garnish near Munich.

It was during this visit that Marianna decided to give up her career as a movie actress. It all happened when Fred Dotson, her husband-to-be, unaware that Marianna was there, dropped in to visit her mother.

During the war, in 1944 and '45 he had been stationed in her hometown — even in her home. Six American and four Belgium officers had occupied the first floor of her father's house as officers quarters.

The large house, situated on a half acre of ground and surrounded by lovely gardens, had five bedrooms and a very spacious dining room, living room, and what Americans call a den, as well as a music room. There was a large cellar and attic also. The officers had taken over the first floor and remained there for several months during the climax of the war.

Before final plans to film "The Marguerite Higgins Story" could be made, Marianna and Fred decided to be married. On a cold, but beautiful January 20, 1953, they were wed in Ardon near Orleans, France.

Then, separation came to the newly-weds. Marianna, due to being under contract to Rodolfo Loewenthal in Munich to make a series of television and movie stories, was unable to accompany Fred back to the States. Her recent papers had to be renewed, and the transfer of furniture and personal belongings also presented a problem.

It was July, 1956, when she arrived in the New York harbor for the third time. After a short three-weeks honeymoon, Marianna was hospitalized early in August with a pleural infection which kept her "prisoner" until early

February, 1957.

The hours spent in the hospital were not wasted. Marianna spent every minute of her spare time designing. Fashions for the slim, the tall, the chubby, and color combinations for every shade of the dark and fair-complexioned — these occupied her time.

Now at home at Redstone Arsenal, she not only designs but makes all her own clothes. She has a "naturalized" sewing machine she brought with her from the old country which Fred has modernized with American parts.

Her career as a movie actress, though set aside for awhile, may blossom again this Fall. Marianna has been asked to come to Hollywood to audition for a part in a vet-unnamed movie.

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ROCKETS MAY BE USED TO TRANSPORT CIVIL SERVICE GOODS, PASSENGERS, SAYS QUARLES EXAMS LISTED

An ABMA scientist Saturday said such large rockets could be used to transport mail, freight or even passengers over long ranges at very high speeds.

He is Dr. G. G. Quarles, scientific and technical consultant of the Missile Agency.

Addressing the annual dinner meeting of the Southwest Student Conference, Institute of Aeronautical Sciences in Fort Worth, Texas, Dr. Quarles noted that rockets are even now being used for other than military purposes. He cited the Viking and other research rockets used to carry instrumentation into the upper atmosphere for scientific research.

"The demonstrated feasibility of stable flight of very large rockets," he added, "definitely opened up the possibility of travel beyond the atmosphere of the earth. The dreams of early pioneers of inter-planetary travel are on the verge of realization. There is no question in the minds of the senior missile and aircraft experts that travel by man beyond the confines of the earth is now technologically possible. It is feasible on the basis of knowledge we have today."

Comparing the modern space traveler with Columbus when he set out on his historic voyage to America, Dr. Quarles noted an important difference.

"Columbus had the ships but did not know where he was going," he commented. "The prospective space traveler knows exactly where he wants to go but presently lacks the transportation. However, construction of necessary space ships to reach Mars is well within current engineering capability."

The speaker cited studies made by Dr. Wernher von Braun, director of development in the Army Missile Agency, for a round trip to Mars requiring a little over 2 1-2 years.

Dr. Quarles said the Vanguard satellite program, which will place a small, instrumented globe in orbit around the earth, will provide information and necessary launching techniques paving the way to larger, manned satellites.

He referred to the work of Dr. Ernst Stuhlinger, another Missile Agency scientist, and said this has proved an electrical propulsion system is feasible for a space ship traveling between satellite orbits. A nuclear reactor would make up the primary power source.

Computing the trajectory for the Stuhlinger model ship, Dr. Quarles said it would reach Mars

on the 347th day after take-off from a satellite station.

He discussed some of the questions which must be answered prior to space ship operations and aid they may be partially answered by the Vanguard program. Dr. Quarles proposed a "meteor bumper" of thin sheet of metal to ward off the smaller objects which might be encountered as he ship hurtles through outer space. Large meteors are rare but if one struck the vehicle, he suggested damage compartments like those of modern sailing vessels to localize and minimize the impact.

Dr. Quarles listed some biophysical and physiological problems awaiting solution; for example, artificial atmosphere to support the crew, space suits, weightlessness, and close confinement. The crew's chance of safe return will be greater than that of Columbus, he declared.

While he believes that the potential for interplanetary travel is within man's technological grasp, Dr. Quarles said this is not yet true of interstellar travel because of the large masses required for propulsion. The photonic system would make it feasible, he added, but more scientific breakthroughs are necessary.

The Civil Service Examiners have announced four new unassembled examinations.

Announcement No. 5-35-13(57) calls for fixed industrial equipment installer and repairer (\$1.97 per hour) and WB-16 (\$2.25 per hour); and fixed industrial equipment installed and repairer lead foreman at WBS-7 (\$2.58 per hour). Persons who attained eligibility for these positions under Announcement No. 5-35-1(55) need not re-apply because the two registers will be combined.

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Announcement No. 5-35-16(57) supercedes all previous announcements for telephone installer and repairer. Anyone qualifying on other registers for grades WB-10, WB-12, WB-15 and wish to remain eligible should re-apply.

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Brig. Gen. John G. Shinkle, acting Redstone commander, was notified of this award in a recent letter from the chief of Ordnance, Lt. Gen. E. L. Cummings. Gen. Cummings' message, as well as a letter from Gen. Palmer, which informed him of the action, are reprinted below:

It is a pleasure to inform you that the Ordnance Corps will receive the Department of the Army Award of Merit for Safety for 1956.

This sixth consecutive safety award is given for superior achievement in preventing accidents and for maintaining a comprehensive and effective safety program. You and the personnel of

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16 April 1957
SUBJECT: Safety Award to the Ordnance Corps.
TO: See Distribution Below.

1. I have recently received a letter dated 1 April 1957 from General W. B. Palmer, Acting Chief of Staff, U. S. Army. This communication was particularly significant since it informs me that the Ordnance Corps has received the Department of Army Award of Merit for Safety for 1956. This award marks the sixth consecutive year the Ordnance Corps has been honored for its effective safety program and superior achievement in accident prevention.

2. In receiving the 1956 Award of Merit for the Ordnance Corps, I fully realize that the accomplishment which made this honor possible resulted from the combined safety effort and support of every individual in the Corps, military and civilian alike. I am justifiably proud of the safety record attained and the resulting safety award.

3. I consider General Palmer's letter so important that I inclose a reproduction for review by you, your staff and personnel at your installation. I too, add my congratulations for an achievement with which I am well pleased.

4. It is possible for the personnel of the Ordnance Corps, by diligent and aggressive support of the safety program, to further improve a fine record. I am requesting that the efforts at your installation be directed toward contributing affirmatively to a seventh consecutive Ordnance Corps Safety Award for 1957.

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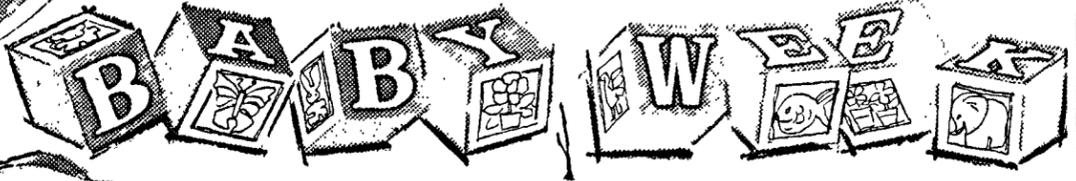
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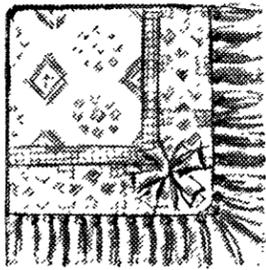
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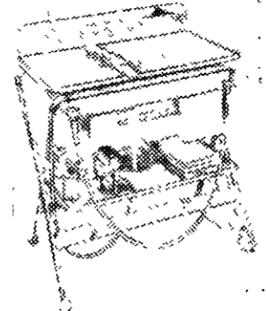
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