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MERRY CHRISTMAS



CONFIDENTIALLY SANTA—David Debolt (left), and Debbie Penuel sit on Santa's knee to tell him what would delight them after his Christmas Eve visit. The annual Christmas party for military dependents is today, sponsored by the Joint Activities Council at Redstone Arsenal. Santa will actually hold four parties, two in the morning and two in the afternoon at the Rocket Auditorium and at the Post Theater. The morning parties start at 9:30 a.m., the afternoon parties at 12:30 p.m. Santa (above) is First Sgt. C. A. Mahaffey of the Ordnance Guided Missile School; David's parents are Capt. and Mrs. Ray W. Debolt; Debbie's are Capt. and Mrs. Benjamin H. Penuel, Jr.



Christmas Lasts Forever

Chaplain (Lt. Col.) John E. Batterson

The very best of material things are liberally poured out at Christmas time, yet the most precious things of Christmas are not material ones at all.

Christmas is the richest event in the year's calendar. Each age has added to it, till for every one of us Christmas is a warm, cheerful, inspiring festival, strengthening us on our way into the new year. At the heart of winter, it glows with firelight, candlelight and starlight.

It is primarily a family festival. Everywhere families meet and relations visit one another. That has been so ever since the strange, heart-stirring drama of the first Christmas when, under a harsh

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Sergeant Courses To Be Taught at Sperry Utah Lab

The first formal course of instruction for the Army's Sergeant Ballistic missile system will begin in 1961 at the Sperry Utah Engineering Laboratory, Salt Lake City, Utah.

Brig. Gen. Richard M. Hurst, commander of the Army Ballistic Missile Agency, said today that students will attend the three-month course to receive instruction in operation and maintenance of the Sergeant system.

Purpose of the three-month course is to train instructors and maintenance personnel for agencies which will later conduct courses for soldiers assigned to Sergeant units.

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Army Hospital Will Be Completed by Mid-1961

A modern 50 bed hospital is expected to be completed at Redstone Arsenal in mid-1961; the result of renovating a former office building and laboratory on Squirrel Hill.

The hospital will serve all military personnel of the Army Ordnance Missile Command, Redstone Arsenal, and the Ordnance Guided Missile School.

It has been designed to permit addition of a two story wing housing an additional 57 beds at some future date.

The present hospital, a World War II vintage frame building, will be used as an Occupational Health Center and to accommodate any overflow of patients from the new hospital. It may also be continued in service on a limited scale until the new wing is completed.

Renovation began shortly after a \$600,000 contract was let to the Whaley Construction Company of Birmingham. The U. S. Army District Corps of Engineers at Mobile, Ala., awarded the contract to the lowest bidder.

The work on the three story masonry structure is about 30 per cent completed.

It will house the latest hospital equipment.

Engineers at Redstone Arsenal said the hospital will contain

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THIOKOL RECEIVES CONTRACT FOR PERSHING PARTS

The Department of the Army last week announced the award of a contract for \$1,139,675 to the Thiokol Chemical Corporation for parts for the Pershing missile system.

It will be used to procure motor cases and other inert component parts for the system. While work on first and second stage propulsion units is still in the research and development phase at the Thiokol Redstone Division in Huntsville, Ala., the components

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Merry Christmas!

National, Local Leaders Send Season's Greetings

President Eisenhower Sends Last Greetings As Commander in Chief

"This is my last message to the members of the Armed Forces as your Commander-in-Chief.

"For most of my adult life, I celebrated the Christmas season in uniform—in war and peace, on military assignments at home and overseas. Invariably each Christmas-tide awakens many memories of those years, of service friends and comrades, and it lifts up my hopes for the future.

"I deeply believe in the Christmas message of 'Peace on Earth, Good Will Toward Men.' This is the highest goal of mankind. It requires our finest efforts. It promises the greatest reward. Moreover, the peace of the world is the absolute necessity of our time.

"But as I remember the Christmas story, it is not simply the birth of a child and the singing of shepherds and the coming of the wise men. The story also includes a cruel king, a pitiful flight of refugees and a tragic slaughter of innocent children. So with the joy of that first Christmas we cannot forget the perils of that time—or the perils of our time.

"We are also living in an age of cruel and aggressive leaders. To preserve our homes and liberties against them we must stand firm. Whenever need requires, we must

MARTIN AWARDED NEW CONTRACT

Award of a contract in the amount of \$1,037,169 for components for the Lacrosse missile system was announced last week.

It was awarded to the Martin Company of Orlando, Fla. Work will be performed at the Orlando plant. Martin is the prime contractor for Lacrosse.

Lacrosse is a close support weapon with all weather capability. It is fired from a launcher mounted on a standard Army truck.

The contract was awarded by the Birmingham Ordnance District.

The Lacrosse missile is now operational and in the hands of field units. It was developed under the technical supervision of the Army Rocket and Guided Missiles Agency, an element of the Army Ordnance Missile Command.

The Commanding General of the Army Ordnance Missile Command and the Agency Commanders here have each published a Christmas message to everyone working or stationed at Redstone Arsenal.

Maj. Gen. August Schomburg, Commanding General of the Army Ordnance Missile Command issued the following:

"We are in the midst of the year's most personal and significant Holiday season . . . it's the time for families to be together and celebrate with joyous hearts . . . a time when hope abounds throughout the land.

It's a time when most of us tend to think less about self and more about others . . . especially those we love and those with whom we have daily contact. We pause for meditations about things spiritual and philosophical. It's a time when most of us take stock of the past and plan for the future.

"With these things in mind I want to thank all of you who are a part of the Army Ordnance Missile Command for your cooperative efforts during the past year.

"I also want to say that I look forward to working with you during the New Year, anticipating your continued support, as we prepare for defense while truly

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General Schomburg Gives Fiery Oration

One of the most unusual graduation speeches in the history of the Army Ordnance Guided Missile School was delivered last week by Maj. Gen. August Schomburg who used foot-long jets of flame to drive home his points about the future of missiles.

Before a cosmopolitan group of 101 students from seven Allied nations, the commanding general of the Army Ordnance Missile Command personally demonstrated new concepts of missile guidance and control.

Donning white safety gloves and igniting two gas burners fed from a tank on a cart wheeled from the stage, Gen. Schomburg said gases and fluids can be made to perform the same functions that electrons now carry out in directing missiles in flight.

The Army's missile chief said the new concept stems from an effect first noted by ancient Greek and Roman scientists—that functions of guidance and control can be exercised by directing a high-powered stream of gas or fluid at right angles to a low-powered

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Christmas Lasts

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dictatorship, a lonely man and his wife due to give birth to her first child, struggled eighty miles through the winter's cold to their home town, there to find no welcome, no heart warm enough to offer a fit place for the baby to be born.

It is a rich human experience when our generosity gets some exercise, polly invades the frostiest folk and everyone, however cantankerous puts on the spirit of goodwill. The birth of Christ is celebrated with the best of everything—best food, best drink, best fun, best presents, best behavior, best nature. How right that is. Christianity is essentially everything at its very best.

And, willy-nilly, however hardened or disbelieving we may be, for all of us it is a time of spiritual experience. We all come closer to appreciating the love of

God. A love for one another stirs more powerfully than at any other time.

The music of Christmas, the families united with a glow of goodwill, the good things of every sort surrounding us bring into being a Spirit—the Spirit of our best selves, the people we might have been yet somehow never quite have been.

The magic of the first Christmas still invades us, when a Babe was born who loved all mankind—and we love Him, for who can help loving a small baby?

Somehow at Christmas we feel anything is possible and a Spirit fills our hearts which defies the materialism that threatens to engulf us all. Existentialism and

PRESIDENT

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make personal sacrifices on our own part—and on the part of our families.

"You are already doing this. The members of our armed forces stationed at home and overseas, are among the most generous and most effective defenders of peace. I am the spokesman of your fellow-Americans as I say, all of us are grateful to you.

"Mrs. Eisenhower joins me in sending our thanks and Christmas greetings to you—with best wishes for a happy new year. "God bless you all.

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Sergeant

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ABMA is responsible for technical supervision of industrial production of the Sergeant. Sperry Utah is prime industrial contractor.

The Sergeant, being developed to replace operational, liquid propellant Corporal, will extend the range of conventional artillery and supplement tactical air support.

All elements of the system have been especially designed to provide maximum mobility and all are transportable by Army vehicles.

The Sergeant course, prepared by the Training Division of ABMA, will be conducted five times at SUEL. Other classes begin in February, April, May and July. Representatives of the Ordnance Guided Missile School at Redstone; the Army Artillery and Guided Missile School at Fort Sill, Oklahoma; White Sands Missile Range, New Mexico; the Army Ballistic Missile Agency; and other installations, will attend the classes.

Approximately 150 persons will be trained in the program.

The course is divided into four major parts; the Sergeant missile system; the firing set; the Organizational Maintenance Test Station; and the Field Maintenance Test Station.

The Organizational Maintenance Test Station is a test van in which missile parts are checked out prior to firing. For more detailed check-outs, the Field Maintenance Test Station is utilized.

Sperry Utah will provide instructors and equipment to be used in the courses.



YOU CAN'T STOP ON A DIME: To conclusively prove this statement, the Safety Division, Redstone Arsenal conducted a stopping distance demonstration. Shown is Bill Cook, Safety Officer mounting a mechanical device which accurately measures, the operator's reaction and total stopping distance of a vehicle at variable speeds.

Hospital

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two x-ray rooms, a-pharmacy, a therapy section. An out-patient and pediatrics clinic will be located in two small buildings near the hospital.

Other features of the hospital include two elevators—one for people and the other for cargo—an emergency treatment room, kitchen, dining room, cafeteria, two operating rooms, two delivery rooms and a nursery.

The structure will be fireproof and air conditioned.

Doctors will wear transistor intercom systems on their lapels to eliminate the public address that might disturb patients.

The hospital is to accommodate

the military personnel assigned to the Arsenal and their 12,000 dependents. Others, such as retired personnel and their dependents who live in this area, may also use the hospital.

The new hospital will be located near the housing area on Post and is more centrally located to the main buildings on the reservation.

Office personnel and laboratory technicians who formerly used the buildings were absorbed in other office and laboratory buildings.

The building will contain nearly 38,000 square feet of space for the 50 beds, compared to the 16,240 square feet of space in the old hospital. At least 55 beds were jammed into the old structure.

Pershing

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to be procured as part of this new contract will be utilized in the production version of the Pershing motors to be manufactured at the corporation's Longhorn Division in Marshall, Tex.

Pershing is under the technical supervision of the Army Ballistic Missile Agency.

The prime contractor is the Martin Company, Orlando, Fla.

Pershing, a two stage solid fuel ballistic missile is being developed to replace the operational Redstone missile.

other isms and philosophies claim men's minds. Yet the simple Spirit of Christmas has a message for the world — a world philosophy. It springs from an event that changed the calendar. Christmas should not only enrich us as individuals and families, but knit the world together. Men take new heart then—nations can too.

Our task today is to mobilize the Christmas spirit and to apply its power and healing to our daily life.

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Greetings

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trying to achieve 'Peace on Earth' and the time when all people can have 'Good Will Toward Men.'

"It is my sincerest hope that each of you and your families will have the very merriest Christmas possible and a New Year that will be filled with happiness and gratifying accomplishments."

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Brig. Gen. Richard M. Hurst, Commander, Army Ballistic Missile Agency:

"As the holidays draw nearer, I look forward to sharing with you the observance of my first Christmas in the Army Ballistic Missile Agency.

"I appreciate the cooperation and loyalty which you have shown since my arrival in April of this year. As 1960 ends, I believe we can review with a great deal of pride the new ABMA's contributions to the cause of peace, uppermost in our thoughts at Christmas time.

"I wish to extend warm greetings and best wishes to all military and civilian persons in ABMA and among our contractors, who have worked faithfully together to increase the security of our nation, and to obtain the much sought-after blessings of peace.

"May each one of you worship in the true meaning of Christmas, and may the New Year hold happiness, peace, and personal security for you.

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Col. John G. Zierdt, Commander of the Army Rocket and Guided Missile Agency:

"Our annual observance of the Christmas season marks a significant pause in the busy routine of our lives. We fill this brief interval with special devotion and with expression of cheer and good will to our friends and acquaintances.

"In the fundamental spirit of Christmas I extend greetings to all personnel of the Army Rocket and Guided Missile Agency and to your families. May each of you have a very Merry Christmas and a happy holiday season.

"This is the first time I have been privileged to express the traditional Christmas message to personnel of this agency. During the past few months of our association I have noted with pride your group and individual response to the daily challenges. I appreciate your loyalty to ARG-

MA and the cooperation and support which you have so freely given.

I salute you on the eve of a new year which is sure to bring to each of us new tasks and stronger challenges, and trust that this next year will bring to each of you an abundance of good fortune and happiness."

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Col. Owen T. McCloskey, Commander of Redstone Arsenal:

"At this blessed season of the year, when the message of Bethlehem is on the lips and in the hearts of men, we pause and contemplate two great Commandments, the Love of God and the Love of Fellow Man. In this spirit, I extend to each of you my greetings, with humility and gratitude. May the joy and peace of the Babe in the Manger, bring to each of you, and to your loved ones at home, the full meaning of the ageless Christmas message—Peace on Earth, Good Will Toward Men. May He continue to bless our country and our Army family."

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Lt. Gen. J. H. Hinrichs, Chief of Ordnance joins the local commanders:

"At this traditionally happy time of year I extend to all the military and civilian personnel of Ordnance, and to their families, The Season's Greetings. I want you to know that I take great pride in the splendid job that you are doing to build and maintain a great Army. During the Holidays and the year to come, we will have much to do — I hope we can continue to do it well, and that there will be few blocks to our progress and happiness, both in our official and personal lives.

"A very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!"

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Thomas S. Gates, Secretary of Defense:

"It is a very personal pleasure for me to send Christmas greetings to the men and women, military and civilian, who make up our national defense forces throughout the free world.

"Wherever you may be serving, I hope that you enjoy the satisfaction that comes from knowing that you are in a great cause, dedicated to the maintenance of peace and the promotion of mutual understanding and good will among men.

To each of you and your fam-

ilies I extend my very best wishes for this Holiday Season and for the New Year."

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Gen. L. L. Lemnitzer, Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff:

"Throughout our country and in the far corners of the world, on land, at sea, and in the air, you who are members of the United States Armed Forces are maintaining a steadfast vigil to preserve the freedom which is our American heritage everywhere. Supporting you and performing functions vital to your military effectiveness, are the dedicated civilians of the Agencies of the Department of Defense.

"Together with the Armed Forces of our Allies, you are helping to maintain a world in which men are free to celebrate Christmas, and to further that age-old yearning of mankind for peace on earth and good will among men. The demands of your duty and the sacrifices they entail are heavy, but the freedom you preserve is beyond price.

"With deep pride and gratitude, I extend to all of you, and to your families, my best wishes for the Christmas Season and for the New Year."

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Gen. G. H. Decker, Chief of Staff, U. S. Army:

"The holiday season provides me with a welcome opportunity to wish all members of the Army a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

"This is a time of year when the thoughts of everyone turn toward home and family. Yet many of you are serving in distant lands; others, while stationed in our own country, are carrying out your duties far from familiar surroundings. But wherever you are serving, you are making an especially significant contribution to the spirit of Christmas itself. That is so because the spirit of Christmas is also the spirit of freedom and peace. The men and women of the Army, together with our comrades of the other Armed Services and of our Allies, are a vital element in our efforts to preserve the values of the spirit which are symbolized in the observance of this holy season.

"To every American soldier, to all Department of the Army civilians, and to their families, I extend my sincere wishes for a Merry Christmas and express the hope that you may find the true

Gen. Schomburg

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stream. He ignited the twin nozzles of the demonstration burners and waved the tongues of fire before the graduates to emphasize his talk on the need for more simplicity in oncoming missile systems.

Standardization of missile components and development of universal test equipment that can apply to all missile systems are among the most pressing requirements of the Army, he said.

Another unusual feature of the graduation was the playing of seven national anthems of the Al-

joy of Christmas throughout the New Year."

GIVES TO CHARITIES

Personnel of the Large Rocket Office, Research and Development Operations, Army Ballistic Missile Agency, contributed to Huntsville Christmas Charities this year in lieu of exchanging cards among office personnel.

The 22 persons employed in the office contributed \$51.50 for Christmas Charities to distribute in line with policies of this special community organization.

lied students represented in the class—the U. S., Belgium, Canada, Denmark, France, Germany and Norway. The 55th Army Band, directed by CWO D. H. Mytinger, rendered the anthems in alphabetical order before a capacity audience in the Post Theater.



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Social News



DR. HAROLD W. RITCHEY

ARS Elects Former Resident President

Rocket propulsion expert Dr. Harold W. Ritchey, Vice President in charge of Rocket Operations for Thiokol Chemical Corporation has been elected President of the American Rocket Society for 1961. The announcement was made at the close of the Society's annual convention and exposition in Washington, D. C., Dec. 7, 1960.

From 1949 until 1959, Dr. Ritchey was a resident of Huntsville, where he was Technical Director and Assistant General Manager of Thiokol's Redstone Division. After being named Vice President and Technical Director of Rocket Operations in 1958, Dr. Ritchey continued his headquarters until moving to Ogden, Utah, in June, 1959.

Dr. Ritchey will head the Society's 1961 "Space Flight Report to the Nation," a year-long program in which special attention will be given to keeping the public informed about our country's progress in space exploration.

LEE RECEIVES SCHILLING AWARD

J. W. Lee, Systems Engineer in the Engineering Department of Thiokol was named recipient of the 1960 Martin Schilling Award of the Alabama Section of the

Visitors Coming . . . for the holidays?

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Volunteers Sponsor Annual Hospital Christmas Party

The Gray Ladies and Red Cross Volunteers sponsored a Christmas party in the men's ward of the U. S. Army Hospital last Thursday afternoon.

Brig. Gen. R. M. Hurst, ABMA Commander, Col. Harry C. McClain, Hospital Commander and Col. O. T. McCloskey, RSA Commander, visited with patients before the entertainment and refreshments were served.

The Officers Wives Garden Club decorated with gold medallions, wreaths, Christmas bells and angels.

The table arrangement was of greens, candy canes and Christmas balls. Silver candelabra holding green candles complimented the centerpiece. Gifts, furnished by the Red Cross, were under the Christmas tree.

The entertainment was secured through Special Services under the direction of SP4 James Stark. Pvt. Brett Combs was Master of Ceremonies. Christmas carols and songs were played by a duet of saxophone and guitar by SP4 George Weaver and Pvt. Bob Watson. The male vocalists were Sp4 Frank Carbraugh and PFC Jon Hansard. Miss Lee Seifert and Miss Joy Sawicki, presented a girl-talk skit.

Serving with Mrs. Charles E. Harrison, Chairman of Hospital Volunteers were Mrs. James H. Davitt, on Post Chairman of Volunteers, Mrs. George M. Arnold, Mrs. R. A. Bergmann, Mrs. A. C. Macey and Mrs. Harry A. Lawson.

Lt. Col. Donald C. Maliskey, Chaplain Bernard Burns, Clifford T. Harmon, Red Cross Field Director, and Miss Kathy Farmer, Harmon's assistant, attendant.

Santa Claus favors will be placed on the patients trays on Christmas Day.

American Rocket Society at the annual honors dinner held in Huntsville, Ala., Nov. 9.

Lee, first recipient of the award, was recognized for his outstanding contributions to the local society while serving as its secretary during 1960.

Named for the founding president of the Alabama Section, the award will be presented annually to an outstanding member of the organization. This year's presentation was made to Lee by the man whose name the award honors, Dr. Martin Schilling.

The banquet was also the occasion for announcing the new officers of the Alabama Section for the coming year. Serving as the organization's Vice-President for 1961 will be Walter L. Berry, Director of Technical Management at the Redstone Division.

CHRISTMAS TEA—Mrs. R. L. Spragins (seated) hands Mrs. J. L. Edgar a cup of coffee during the annual silver tea sponsored by the Redstone Arsenal Officers Wives Club. The event which drew approximately 125 members and guests was held in the Hawk Room at the Squirrel Hill Officers Club Tuesday (Dec. 13). Door prizes were the Christmas decorations used as centerpieces on the tables, and the poinsettia appliqued table cloth.



Annual Silver Tea Draws 125 Wives Club Members

The Redstone Arsenal Officers Wives Club held the annual Christmas tea at the Squirrel Hill Officers Club Tuesday (Dec. 13) with approximately 150 members and guests attending.

Each member brought one Christmas tree ornament to decorate the tree in the Hawk Room. Christmas tree lights and candle light were used for the late afternoon event.

Christmas ornaments, including candles in ornamental candelabra, were used for decorations and were awarded as door prizes

BRIDGE GROUP HAS CHRISTMAS PARTY

Eleven tables of bridge players attended the Christmas party of the Party Bridge Group at the Squirrel Hill Officers Club on the evening of Dec. 13.

Winner for the men was Maj. Robert Wensley, Capt. H. L. Carmichael second.

Winner for the women was Mrs. Wilbert Higgins, Mrs. C. Finch second.

The Group will not play on Dec. 26 but will resume play on Jan. 2. A cocktail and dinner party is also planned for this meeting.

Reservations may be made with Mrs. John Severeid by noon Saturday.

"What are you putting in your pocket, Jack?"

"That's a stick of dynamite. Every time Riley sees me he slaps me on the chest and breaks all my cigars. Next time he does it, he's going to blow his darned hand off."

presented as door prizes. Committee women included Mrs. Austin Triplett, Mrs. K. H. Applewhite, Mrs. W. W. Cobb, Mrs. Paul B. Schuppener, Mrs. R. G. McEwan, Mrs. G. B. Borin, Mrs. M. W. Shroeder, Mrs. Orlando Garcia, Mrs. Kyle Washbourne, Mrs. R. L. Anderson and Mrs. M. W. Ashley.

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At the Service Club

Well, it's that time of year again — the week before Christmas. Christmas Carols are ringing out all over the post, last-minute shoppers are counting the gray hairs, and despite all the hustle and bustle here at the Service Club, that old Christmas Spirit has managed to slip in and find a place to stay. Before you hear it too often, let me be one of the first to wish you a Merry Christmas and a Very Happy New Year.

Our dance classes have progressed so well that this week we're just having a practice dance session of a lesson, so you dancing class members come on Wednesday the 21st for an enjoyable evening of dancing. That's at the usual time, 1930 hours.

On Thursday night, the 22nd, the Shutter Club will meet at 1800 hours in the small lounge. We'll have a Shuffleboard Contest on Thursday night, too — the local experts will be whizzing those pucks down the board starting at 2000 hours. Thus, any of you Shutterbugs who want to play Shuffleboard can work in both.

Friday night, the 23rd, we'll have a night of Smoker Poker. I'll be on hand to pass out cigars, cards, and "Service Club Money" to all players. The player who winds up at the end of the evening with the most loot wins a prize, so I'll be expecting some really sharp playing. That's the 23rd, starting at 2000 hours.

Then Saturday night, the 24th of December, we'll have a Christmas Eve Party at 2000 hours, and afterwards at 2100 hours,

everyone can gather around and sing Christmas Carols.

On Christmas Day, Dec. 25th, Hot Coffee and Donuts will be served from the kitchen at 0930 hours, and Christmas Evening we'll have a Christmas Record Dance and Birthday Party.

Monday night, Dec. 26th, is an evening of games, and Molly will be calling the numbers, starting at 2015 hours.

On Tuesday night, the 27th, the Bridge Club will meet again for an evening of cards and companionship. If you haven't taken up the game of Bridge, you ought to try it, we plan to begin a Bridge workshop shortly after the first of the year. The club will begin playing at 1930 hours.

HISTORY: Those of you who missed the "Rolling Along Show of 1960," really missed the entertainment event of the year. It was a fast-paced, well constructed show, and I, for one, enjoyed it immensely.

We had a fine tour of Birmingham on the 10th. The tour visited Vulcan Park and climbed up inside the huge Vulcan Statue for a breathtaking view of Birmingham at twilight. After the tour we went to the "Y" for a dance and Buffet, and believe it or not, the "Miss Dixie" Contest was in progress there. Needless to say, this attracted quite a bit of interest.

Gary Joy Gilmore won the recent Chess Contest on the 9th, and a couple of other contest winners were George W. Reese and LeRoy Rabideau, both of the 249th Ord. Det., who came out on top

Christmas Chapel Programs Listed

Chaplain (Lt. Col.) John E. Batterson announced the following schedule of Christmas activities for Redstone Arsenal:

Protestant services at the Post Chapel consist of a Christmas Eve candle lighting service at 7:30 p.m. and a Christmas Eve Holy Communion at 8:15 p.m. on Dec. 24.

Regularly scheduled Protestant services will be held at the Post Chapel Sunday, Dec. 25, beginning at 10 a.m. and 11:15 a.m.

At the Redstone Park Chapel, a Protestant Sunday School Christmas program will be held at 7 p.m. on Dec. 22. A Christmas Eve candle lighting service will be at 7:30 p.m. on Dec. 24.

Sunday School will begin at 9:45 a.m. Dec. 25 at the Redstone Park Chapel and the regular morning worship will begin at 11 a.m.

A regular schedule of services will be held Sunday, Jan. 1, beginning at 11 a.m.

Members of the Catholic faith may attend services from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 23.

Confessions are also scheduled at the Post Chapel on Dec. 24 from 9:30 to 11 a.m. and from 4 to 6:30 p.m. Christmas Carol singing will begin at 11:30 p.m. and midnight High Mass will follow.

On Sunday, Dec. 25, the regular schedule of Masses will be held at 7:30 a.m.; 12:30 p.m. and

in the pinochle contest. Congratulations!

A very enjoyable evening was had by all who attended the 55th Band Concert here at the Service Club on Dec. 12th. All the pieces were timely, and especially enjoyed was the Rocket City March.

That's the round-up of events for this week. Next week we'll have a New Year's Eve Dance among other programs. So drive safely this week, and stay in one piece for all the Service Club events coming up in the New Year. Happy Holidays!

Margaret



BECOMES EAGLE SCOUT—Col. Owen T. McCloskey (left) congratulates Robert Birkenstein as the colonel presents the Eagle Scout certificate to him during the recent Court of Honor for Boy Scout Troops 234 and 308. Maj. and Mrs. Albert Birkenstein stand beside their son during the award ceremony. Col. McCloskey is the Redstone Arsenal Commander.

Business Training Offered at Decatur Vocational School

The next enrolling date for business subjects at The Tennessee Valley State Vocational School is Jan. 9, 1961.

Prospective students interested

5 p.m. No Junior Catechism classes are scheduled Saturday, Dec. 31.

The regular schedule of Masses will be held Sunday, Jan. 1.

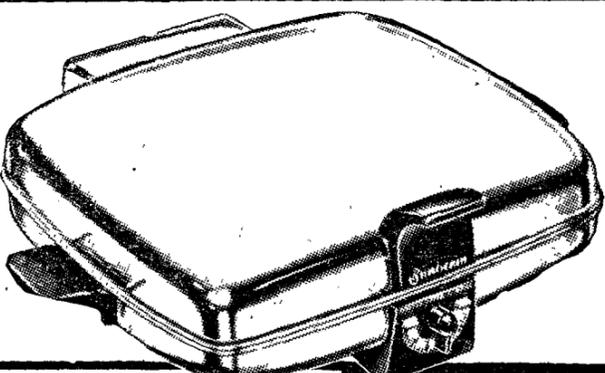
in training as secretaries or junior accountants may contact The Tennessee Valley State Vocational Technical School, Post Office Box 97, Decatur, Alabama, or go by the school. Enrollment is limited.

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We hope you will bring the following holiday safe driving tips to the attention of your family and motoring friends. If enough of us follow these suggestions we will help assure a happier and safer season for all.

Drive in keeping with road, weather and traffic conditions.

Be Alert To Holiday Hazards

Make allowances for unpredictable driver and pedestrian actions. Most holiday accidents involve drinking and speed too fast for conditions.

Watch Out For Others

Allow plenty of time for your holiday travel. On long trips make frequent stops. Arrive relaxed.

Plan A Safe Drive

Drive with good tires, properly adjusted brakes, lights and turn signals working, windshield wipers and defrosters functioning properly.

Use Courtesy Abundantly

It Pays! "Make Courtesy Your Code of the Road" your holiday resolution.

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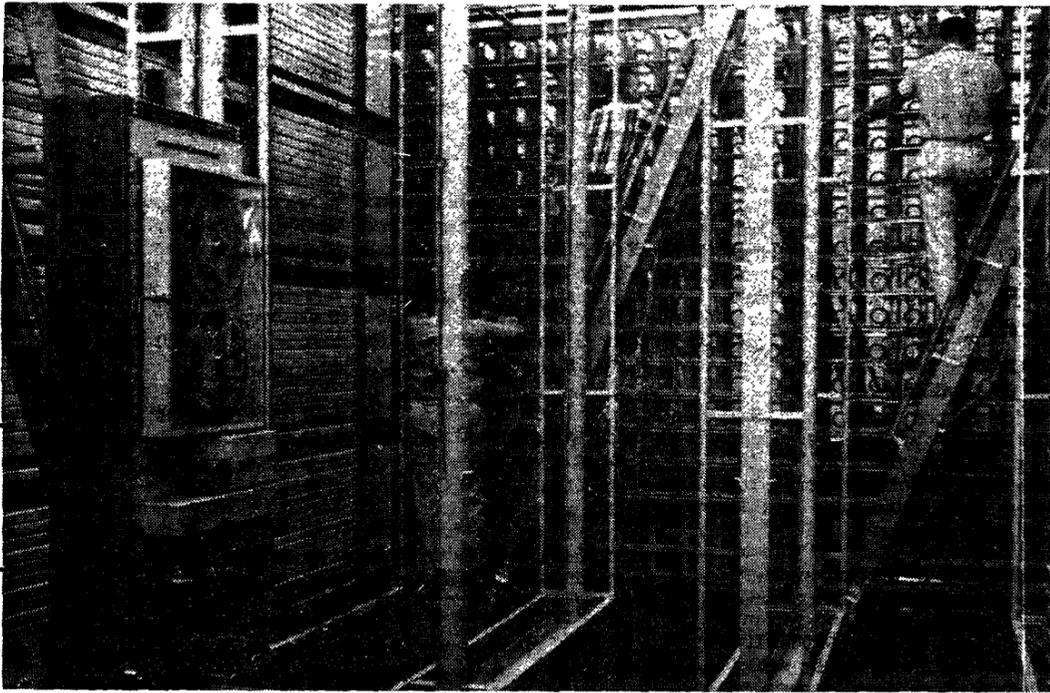
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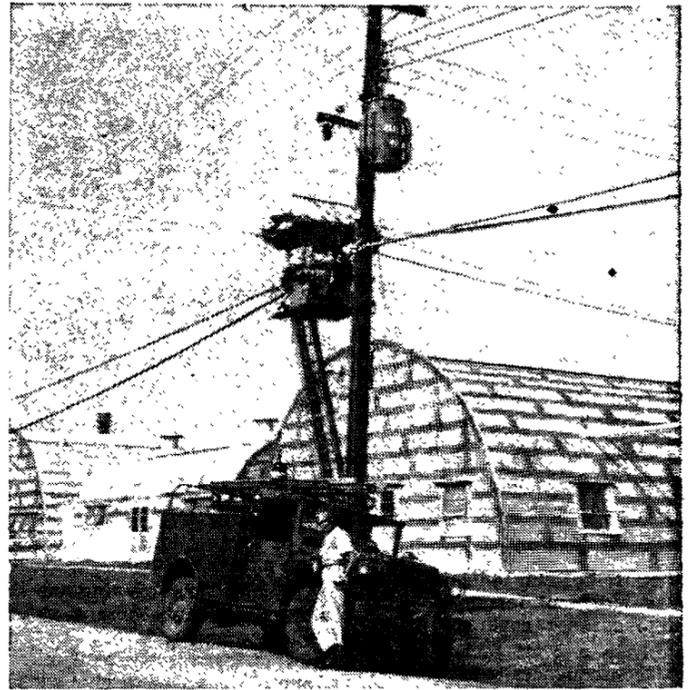
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TELEPHONE INSTALLATION and Maintenance Branch men work on a round-the-clock schedule in all kinds of weather to keep telephone service available to Redstone Arsenal employees and post residents. At present the Post Signal



Division is preparing to cut into the Huntsville Southern Bell Exchange to allow "In-Out Dialing" from offices and residences on and off-post. Future plans call for long distance dialing.

Telephone Traffic Increases As Missile Business Grows

Vociferous communication seems to be a basic instinct of humans from infancy to eternity.

Constant experiment has built sophisticated communications systems that link city and jungle as needed.

The Army's missile program substantiates the theory and makes use of the innovations as witnessed from the Post Signal Telephone Exchange Branch and Telephone Installation and Maintenance Branch growth at Redstone Arsenal as the missile program has expanded.

In 1950, when the missile program was introduced on the Arsenal and Army Ordnance was laying the groundwork for the vast growth of missilery, the telephone exchange was housed in a tiny building on the lip of a hill near Post Headquarters.

It took 23 people to accomplish all necessary telephone work required indoors and out.

Then, across the 40,000 acres, buildings were completed, the population mushroomed 10 times to reach an approximate 20,000 Ordnance personnel and contractors, technical service liaison officers and support operations personnel, NATO and U. S. guided missile students.

Open fields took on the aspect of bustling activity as bigger, better and more sophisticated guided missiles with increased firepower and accuracy were developed.

The obvious need for close communication between men testing in the field and the men directing the operations impacted on switchboard operators.

By the end of 1960, it takes 135 men and women to keep the Telephone Exchange and Telephone

Installation and Maintenance Branches in operation. The long distance toll traffic increased so that outgoing long distance calls now in a day equal the average total, local load during a day in 1950.

Statistics are (in 1950 with 350 telephones): 1500 local; 15-20 long distance calls completed in average day;

In 1960 (with 13,600 telephones): 176,000 local calls through the dial exchange in a day; 1500-2000 long distance toll calls a day;

Meantime, operators, telephone exchange equipment and military activities moved from the Post Headquarters area to a building at the intersection of Patton and Martin Roads.

Though the building was constructed in 1954 especially to accommodate the expanded growth, like clothing for a fast-growing child, the building seams have been "let out" several times. The latest addition completion in 1959. The changes have been so numerous that the Chief Operator, Mrs. Burmah Lee, has almost lost track of the intermediate steps between the four operator position board and the present 20 plus positions.

There are two information operators on duty at a separate board answering an average of 154 calls an hour.

From 11 operators the staff has grown to 46 to handle the expanded traffic.

Since the missile business is still growing, the Signal Corps still has all stops pulled in order to keep up with the increased traffic load, according to Maj. Thomas Koeman, Post Signal Officer. "The most modern arts of the trade are being introduced."

"In March "In-Out dialing" is



THE TELEPHONE EXCHANGE looked like the picture above when the operation was moved to Bldg. 5298 in 1954. Now, the switchboard has grown to 20 places and is housed in an addition to the original building. The new switchboards, connected in 1959, look like the picture at right.

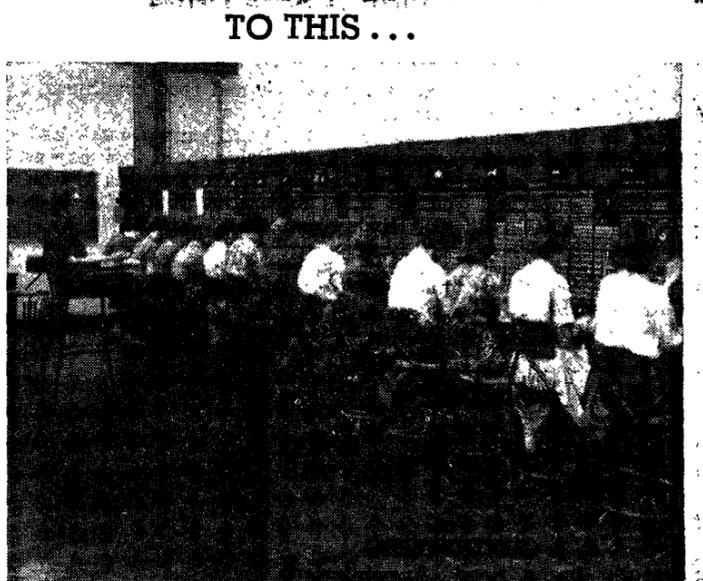
scheduled between the Arsenal and the Huntsville area.

Plans and schedules are being coordinated with Southern Bell Telephone Company which is expanding the Huntsville telephone office to tie in the Arsenal system.

For a time operators will be needed to complete long-distance calls, although eventually complete automation will be accomplished for long distance as well as local calls.

"Without 'In-Out dialing' by 1961, it would have been necessary to increase the PBX board to 35 instead of 20 positions.

"In-Out" dialing will eliminate



TO THIS . . . The need by relieving the operator load on long distance, thus saving equipment and personnel costs. "The overall aim is to speed up service from both distant and local points in the most economical manner," Maj. Koeman said.

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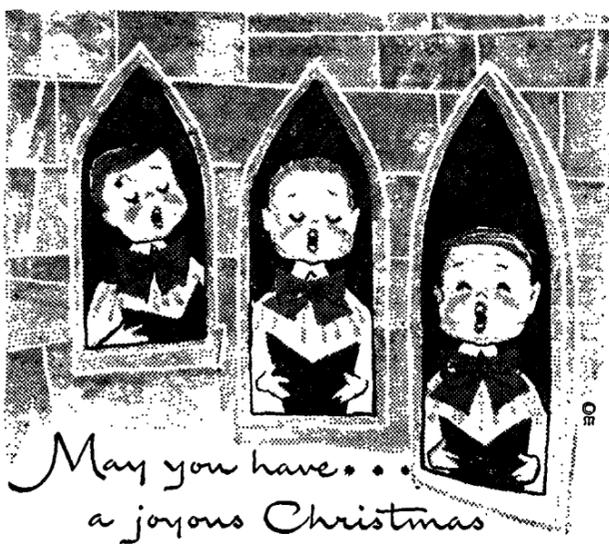
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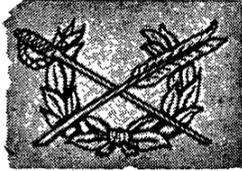


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Legal Aspects of Motor Vehicle Accidents

The usual holiday accident rate reveals that little heed is given to appeals directed toward concern for physical safety. Perhaps an appeal to the pocketbook would command more attention.

Automobile insurance is not a license to commit manslaughter on the highways, nor is it a permit to damage the property of others. An automobile accident during the crowded highway season ahead could spoil your holiday festivities and obligate you to pay a judgment far in excess of your insurance coverage.

Perhaps a brief review of the legal consequences of certain types of accidents will encourage caution.

As a general rule, a driver approaching an intersection shall give the "right of way" to a vehicle on his right. However, there is a practical message in the familiar poem:

"Here lies Tim O'Day
He died maintaining his
"right-o-way."

These words from the Alabama code should also be noted. "The driver of any vehicle traveling at an unlawful speed shall forfeit any right of way which he might otherwise have . . ." In summary, approach intersections with extreme caution since an accident is a poor reward for taking advantage of a legal right of way. Bear in mind also that you may not prevail in a lawsuit if you could have avoided the collision by not insisting upon your right of way.

The driver of a vehicle which is overtaking another traveling in the same direction is under a duty to avoid crowding the car ahead. Alabama's law, like that of most states, is flexible on this point: "The driver of a motor vehicle shall not follow another vehicle more closely than is reasonable and prudent, having due regard to the speed of such vehicle and the traffic upon and condition of the highway." If the car ahead stops and you hit it, you will have a difficult time

convincing an insurance adjuster or a jury that you were not to blame.

In connection with overtaking vehicles, note further the Alabama law: "The driver of an overtaking vehicle not within a business district as herein defined shall give audible warning with his horn or other warning device before passing or attempting to pass a vehicle proceeding in the same direction. Any person violating any of the provisions of this section, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor."

Although horn-blowing on the open road has become a rather obsolete practice, it is clear that Alabama law regards as a misdemeanor the failure to give such a warning. Although this provision of law may not be enforced, failure so to give such warning may affect the outcome of a civil action for damages.

The driver of a vehicle which is being overtaken and passed by another vehicle approaching from the rear must give way to the right in favor of the passing vehicle and must not increase the speed of his vehicle until completely passed by the overtaking vehicle.

Your position as a claimant after an accident with a vehicle approaching from the opposite direction may depend upon whether you were taking your half of the road on the right of the center. If you are involved in such an accident, be sure to have the road measured if you feel it will establish that you were to the right of the center.

There are several factors which cause accidents to happen. Usually one fact will stand out as the primary cause, and it may determine your rights and liabilities in the matter. Some of the important facts which bear upon claims are speed, drunken driving, mechanical defects, signals, weather and road conditions, and skid marks.

More accidents are attributable to excessive speed than any other single factor. For this reason, it is imperative that drivers obey speed limits established by law.

Note, however, that you are not at liberty to drive at the maximum limit at all times under any conditions.

There is also a law of common sense which requires drivers to travel at a reasonable speed when certain situations exist.

In a civil action a court or jury will determine what as a reasonable speed by considering among other things: (1) amount of traffic, (2) width and grade of street or highway, (3) condition of road, (4) visibility, (5) weather, (6) driver's physical condition, (7) driver's familiarity with the road, (8) positions of vehicles on the road, and (9) condition of vehicle.

With regard to driving while intoxicated, the Driving Handbook of Alabama says, "If you have been drinking or taking drugs, don't drive your car. Do this for your own safety, but also remember that if you are found guilty of driving when you have been drinking, your license must be taken away and you may be fined as much as \$1,000. It is possible that you may be sent to jail for as much as a year in addition to the fine."

On the other hand, slow driving also may create a traffic danger. The Alabama Code says, "No person shall drive a motor vehicle at such a slow speed as to impede or block the normal and reasonable movement of traffic except when reduced speed is necessary for safe operation or in compliance with law."

Your position in litigation may be jeopardized if there is evidence of defective equipment on your car. No jury will sympathize with you if you were driving without good brakes, proper lights, a horn that can be heard two hundred feet away, rear view mirror, windshield wipers, and other safety equipment.

A special warning is given to those of you who delight in blinding drivers approaching from the opposite direction. Your failure to dim your lights could be the cause of an accident which would dim your pocketbook and/or your life.

Until the time when people are completely replaced by more intelligent machines, we will have to bear with the many variations of giving hand signals for turns and stops. Mechanical turn signals are recommended especially to those who cannot or refuse to bend properly at the elbow. Remember that failure to give a proper signal can result in your liability for negligent driving.

If you are involved in an accident, be sure to make a note of the weather and road conditions. It is surprising how many people forget whether it was raining or snowing, whether the road was wet or dry. Also note whether the road was straight or curved, concrete, blacktop, or gravel, lined in the center with one, two, three, or no white or yellow lines. Remember the previous caution regarding the reasonableness of your speed when certain conditions are present.

Skid marks carry a lot of weight and sometimes change the outcome of a trial. They can indicate speed, evasive action by the drivers, and the point of impact.

If your careless driving causes an accident, your sins will find

Chrysler Receives Additional Contract

The U. S. Army announced Friday that it had awarded a contract for \$1,321,590 for component modification and related engineering on the Jupiter intermediate range ballistic missile.

Col. J. E. Johnston, commander of the Detroit Ordnance District, disclosed that the work will be performed by the Chrysler Corporation at the Michigan Ordnance Missile Plant, Sterling Township, Michigan. It will extend through June 30th, 1961.

The Jupiter was developed by the Army Ballistic Missile Agency. It is under the operational control of the Air Force.

To date, the Army Ordnance Missile Command has awarded to Chrysler contracts for production of the Jupiter missile with a dollar value of \$296,060,311.

you out. You cannot change the facts after an accident has happened, and there are many ways to determine approximately what did happen.

Also bear in mind that in most states any negligence on your part will prevent your recovering damages from the other party, even though his negligence may have been greater than yours.

Therefore, if there is any indication that you were negligent, do not hasten to spend all the money you plan to get from the other fellow's insurance company. You can find yourself buying someone else a new car for Christmas and financing his recovery from a back or other injury.

BACHELOR QTRS. NEAR COMPLETION

The coming of the New Year means new living quarters soon for 70 unmarried Army officers at Redstone Arsenal.

The 70 units of permanent type bachelor officer quarters are nearing completion. When open, the new construction will bring the total permanent BOQ spaces available to 150. Most of the unmarried officers are assigned to the Army Ordnance Missile Command or the Ordnance Guided Missile School.

Post engineers said the three buildings housing the 70 units will be completed in early 1961 at a cost of \$562,678. The 60 new units now occupied were completed in August under a \$529,881 contract.

Some 50 bachelor officers have been living off the Arsenal. Others have been quartered in temporary housing on the Arsenal. Some of the temporary BOQ's were located in buildings constructed in 1942 and two were originally erected for the manufacture of munitions during World War II.

The new units will be filled immediately. Even then, more than 50 unmarried officers at Redstone will have to remain in temporary quarters.

The new units are located in the Squirrel Hill Section of the Arsenal near the Officers Open Mess and the Golf Course.

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FROM ARMY TO NASA—Maj. Gen August Schomburg, Commanding General of the Army Ordnance Missile Command; Dr. Wernher von Braun, Director of the George C. Marshall Space Flight Center; and Maj. Gen. Frank S. Besson, Chief of the Army Transportation Corps, participated in ceremonies last week as the Army transferred the "Palaemon" to NASA at Redstone Arsenal. Dr. von Braun and Gen. Besson are holding a plaque which symbolizes the transfer of the vessel. Designed by the Army Transportation Corps, the especially constructed barge will transport the first stage of the Saturn space vehicle from its development site at Redstone Arsenal, on a 2,200 mile water trip to its launching site at Cape Canaveral, Florida.

CAPT. GOLDEY ASSIGNED
 Capt. Clarence W. Goldey, formerly signal communications Officer at the AOMC office at Cape Canaveral, Fla., has been assigned to the Signal Office at Missile Command headquarters.
 Reporting for duty December 13th, Capt. Goldey left the At-

lantic Missile Range Army Field Office, where he served under Col. James D. Sams, after a year's duty.
 Capt. and Mrs. Goldey and their three children will shortly occupy quarters on post.

"Our strength and freedoms are in God . . . not material things. Most important . . . my job is to help fellow Americans understand this." Pvt. George E. Pickett, Valley Forge Patriots' Award winner.

RSA BASKETBALL STANDINGS
 (As of 15 DEC. 1960)

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|-----------------|-----|------|-----|-----|
| USAG No. 1 | 3 | 0 | 181 | 72 |
| CO B OGMS No. 1 | 3 | 0 | 135 | 73 |
| CO A OGMS No. 2 | 3 | 0 | 156 | 91 |
| CO A OGMS No. 1 | 3 | 1 | 202 | 132 |
| HQ OGMS | 2 | 1 | 159 | 143 |
| ABMA | 2 | 1 | 183 | 135 |
| 291 MP | 1 | 2 | 104 | 119 |
| CO B OGMS No. 2 | 1 | 2 | 88 | 120 |
| ARGMA | 1 | 3 | 171 | 199 |
| 1st ETC | 1 | 3 | 110 | 192 |
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Health Insurance Carriers Open Local Offices

Representatives for the two major insurance carriers in the Federal Employees Health Benefits Program are now located in Huntsville, it was announced by Leonard Brockman, program coordinator in the AOMC Personnel Office.

The representatives were appointed, Brockman said, following a meeting with James Wilson, Regional Director for the Health Program for the 5th Civil Service Region when it was found that an expert was needed to an-

swer claims questions.

Aetna, which carries the Government-Wide Indemnity Benefit Plan, has a representative for this program at the Boswell and Cooper Insurance Agency in Huntsville.

The representative is Keith Wheeler, phone 534-5711. He is specially trained as a consultant and to answer questions arising from insurance claims under the Indemnity Benefit Plan.

Blue-Cross and Blue Shield, which carries the Government-Wide Service Benefit Plan, also has a representative who can be reached through an answering service.

He is Kenneth Burnett and he

may be reached by calling JE 4-9691. Burnett checks with the service three times a day, at 8 a. m., noon, and at 4 p. m.

Brockman suggested that any employe having a question should get in touch with the representative from the appropriate agency.

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SCIENCE RESEARCH INSTITUTE SCHEDULED TO OPEN NEXT MONTH

A science research institute is expected to open simultaneously with the new \$750,000 University of Alabama Extension Center early next month.

A director of the institute, who will be nationally known, is expected to be named shortly. The present interim director is Dr. Fred Mitchell, who is assistant to the dean of the graduate school at the University of Alabama.

The institute brings to a reality dreams of Major General August Schomburg, commanding general of the Army Ordnance Missile Command and Dr. Wernher von Braun, director of the George C. Marshall Space Flight Center, both located at Redstone Arsenal in Huntsville.

The institute is to provide basic research services in problem areas encountered by those two government agencies and also to expand and strengthen the University's graduate training program.

President Frank A. Rose, University of Alabama, who has also promoted the project, lauded it

by saying "The University of Alabama joins the ranks of foremost American universities that take part in solving critical military and scientific research problems."

He added, "The University at its institute will employ a number of nationally and internationally known scientists who, in addition to conducting University research under contract to government and industry, will be available to teach graduate programs of the University in Huntsville and to direct research of graduate students."

Thus, the institute officials will play a dual role in enhancing the welfare of the graduate student program and the government role in space and missiles.

More than 200 high-level professional and technical employees at the Space Flight Center and Missile Command now participate in graduate degree classes offered by the University in Huntsville. The University main campus at Tuscaloosa, Ala., now conducts extensive research under

contract with the two agencies. Both the research and the graduate training programs are expected to increase appreciably as a result of the institute development. It will operate directly under the central administration of the University.

It will begin with an initial staff of directors and about three permanent and three visiting researchers, and several research assistants. An interchange of personnel between the main campus and the Huntsville institute will occur as research progresses.

Areas of research at the outset will include physics, mathematics, chemistry and engineering. Specific research projects will be developed by institute staff in conjunction with academic departments of the University.

Dr. Rose said these institutes generally expand into major re-

search operations which have attracted industry and industry-sponsored research to their areas. Thus, they have become an important factor in the economic as well as the educational growth of the states in which they are located.

Gen. Schomburg said the institute will provide employees at his Command with instructors for graduate courses and at the same time enhance the professional environment in this area to the advantage of the people, contractors, and industry.

He said the Army has made available classroom facilities and laboratories on the Arsenal to the University and, in addition, assisted the University in staffing its faculty by encouraging qualified personnel from the work forces to participate as part-time instructors.

Other employees are encouraged

to attend the graduate level courses when such courses are needed in the work related development of the individual, Gen. Schomburg said.

CHESS TOURNEY TO BEGIN JAN. 16

The Huntsville Chess Club will start an eight-round Swiss system tournament on January 16.

The Club meets at the community Center in Big Springs Park on Monday nights, but during the tournament each individual will schedule at least two games a week until competition has been completed.

The Club will not meet on Dec. 26 nor on Jan. 2.

At the end of the Swiss system tournament, prizes will be awarded in three classes and to the top junior contender.



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Col. Barnhill Is Named ABMA Control Office Chief

Lt. Col. Aber Is Chief, ABMA Field Support Operations

Two major reassignments within the Army Ballistic Missile Agency were announced today by Brig. Gen. Richard M. Hurst, Agency Commander.

Col. Gervase L. Barnhill, formerly Chief of ABMA's Field Support Operations, was named Chief of the ABMA Control Office. He succeeds Col. William F. Kaiser who has been named Chief of the Control Office in the Army Ordnance Missile Command.



COL. W. H. KAISER
AOMC, Control Chief

Lt. Col. John E. Aber, formerly Deputy of ABMA's Control Office, succeeds Col. Barnhill as Chief of Field Support Operations.

The ABMA Control Office has responsibility for program coordination for all Army ballistic missiles.

Field Support Operations provides support for ABMA missile systems in the hands of troops. Maintenance and the supply of spare parts are two of the major responsibilities of the office.

Col. Barnhill, who has been at Redstone Arsenal since December, 1958, is a veteran of almost 20 years Army service. He received a bachelor's degree in chemical engineering from the University of Tennessee. Following World War II, he received a Master of Science degree in Metallurgical Engineering from Stanford University.

During World War II, Col. Barnhill served with the Army Air Corps at Maxwell Field, Ala., Fort Worth, Texas, and Washington, D. C., and with the 2nd Marine Air Wing on Okinawa. He served with the 2nd Infantry Division in Korea.

Lt. Col. Aber, a graduate of the United States Military Academy, served with the 100th Infantry Division in Southern France and Germany during World War II.

Following assignments at the Army Artillery School and the Engineer School at Fort Belvoir, Virginia, Col. Aber attended the University of California where he received a master of science degree in Mechanical Engineering.

A graduate of the Command and General Staff College at Ft Leavenworth, Kansas, he has been at Redstone since February, 1960

ABMA EMPLOYEES RECOGNIZED FOR LONG SERVICE

Eighteen employees of the Army Ballistic Missile Agency, who have a combined total of 380 years government service, were presented longevity emblems by Brig. Gen. Richard M. Hurst,

commander, this week.

Two employees, Raul P. Lopez of the Facilities Planning Office and George M. Hallenbeck of Industrial Operations, were cited for 30 years service each.

Twenty year emblems went to Vivian R. Bolton, Lector H. London, Donald W. Plaskett, George

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IN THE GARDEN—Col. Owen T. McCloskey and Huntsville Times Reporter Valerie Laxon discuss the garden of Goddard House. The lily pond is in the foreground, and a bird house center left. Col. McCloskey has made the garden his special project and spends many hours working there.

Goddard House Is Official Guest House for Visiting VIPs at Arsenal

Three Post Military Men Have Quarters In the House

The Christmas season marks the anniversary of the physical move by the Post Transportation and the Post Engineer to place Goddard House on its present site. The Goddard House, guest house for VIPs visiting the Arsenal, was moved the same day the Joint Activities Council sponsored the Children's Christmas party four years ago.

The lovely antebellum house, purchased from M. G. Chaney when Huntsville Arsenal was built, was moved approximately eight miles from its original site near Rideout Road and the intersection of the Southern Railroad tracks to its present position across from Post Headquarters Building on Redstone Road.

The children's party was in

progress in the Rocket Auditorium when all overhead wires were unstrung to give the moving house clearance. The Post Fire Marshall set up a portable electric generator at the Rocket Auditorium and the cartoons were shown as scheduled.

Among the first visitors to use the newly renovated house were Secretary of Defense Charles Wilson and a party visiting the then newly-organized Army Ballistic Missile Agency.

Three men have quarters in the guest house. Col. Owen T. McCloskey has a suite of rooms on the second floor. SP7 George F. Hill, interpreter assigned at the Technical Library and PFC. John Griffin also live in the house as caretaker; or when Griffin is on leave, PFC. William Carson moves in temporarily.

When Col. McCloskey moved in, the grounds were neat but not

landscaped. He made this his special project.

In the back yard, under the colonel's direction, a replica of one of the fountain's at Versailles was constructed. He planted trees, bushes and flowers which he spends his Summer evenings cultivating and tending.

A native stone well with an oaken bucket and gourd dipper, bird baths, lily pond complete with gold fish, bird houses, and a shrine to St. Francis of Assisi the patron Saint of birds and gardens were added to the garden.

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lica of a shrine from Oberammergau, Germany and had a similar shrine placed at the edge of a small wild wood on the edge of the garden.

The colonel credits a gift from the Netherlands' Ambassador as the beginning of the garden. The Dutch presented 500 tulip bulbs to the Arsenal. These were planted beside Goddard House to make a brave show of red and white in the Spring. From this beginning the garden grew.

Goddard House was ready for use in February, 1956. Its interior was completely overhauled, though much of the original wood was retained throughout the house.

Now, a painting depicting Dr. Robert Goddard firing the first American missile hangs over the fireplace in the main living room. A painting of Gen. John J. Pershing hangs on the first floor of the main entrance hall.

Col. McCloskey, in his own quarters, has an electric fireplace which emanates firelight to re-

flect on the furnishings he has gathered on his many assignments across the world.

He hung a yule wreath on the front door and wreaths over his fireplace.

When Summer comes again he can rock on the front porch in the high backed wooden rockers, or work in his garden to the strains of his hi-fi collection which he has piped to a speaker

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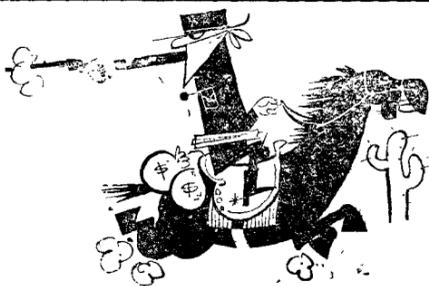
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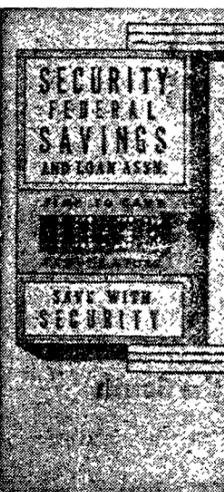
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CHRISTMAS WREATHS—Col. Owen T. McCloskey, Arsenal Commander, and PFC. Joseph A. Williams of Woodbine, Penna., the colonel's driver, place Christmas wreaths on the fireplace in Col. McCloskey's quarters at the Goddard House. The house has been on its present site and open since early 1956. It is used as an official guest house for VIP visitors.

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in the back yard. The view from the backyard of the Goddard House leads East by South along a valley in which the agrarian and industrial aspects of the Arsenal merge. The modern laboratory buildings of Rohm and Haas contrast with the bales of hay gathered by the farmers who lease the open fields to harvest this crop. the front of Goddard House: The MP said, "Some old colonel The colonel likes to tell a story of a military policeman who stopped to admire the garden and should live here." "Some old colonel does," the Post Commander told him.

Births at Post Hospital

- Daniel Philip Jenks, 8 lbs., 13/4 ozs., Dec. 8, son of Sgt. and Mrs. Michael T. Jenks.
- Carolyn Ann Collie, 5 lbs., 11/4 ozs., Dec. 9, daughter of SP5 and Mrs. Marion E. Collie.
- Glenn Mark Huber, 5 lbs., 13 ozs., Dec. 10, son of SP5 and Mrs. Rolf W. O. Huber.
- Robert Donald Slaughter, 6 lbs., 14 1/2 ozs., Dec. 11, son of SP4 and Mrs. Donald Slaughter.
- McKeen Conway Hale, 8 lbs., Dec. 13, son of SFC and Mrs. Olivet R. Hale.
- Kipp Douglas Au, 6 lbs., 11 ozs., Dec. 13, son of Capt. and Mrs. Robert H. C. Au.
- Stephanie Danae Hunter, 6 lbs., 2 1/4 ozs., Dec. 13, daughter of SP4

Movie Schedule

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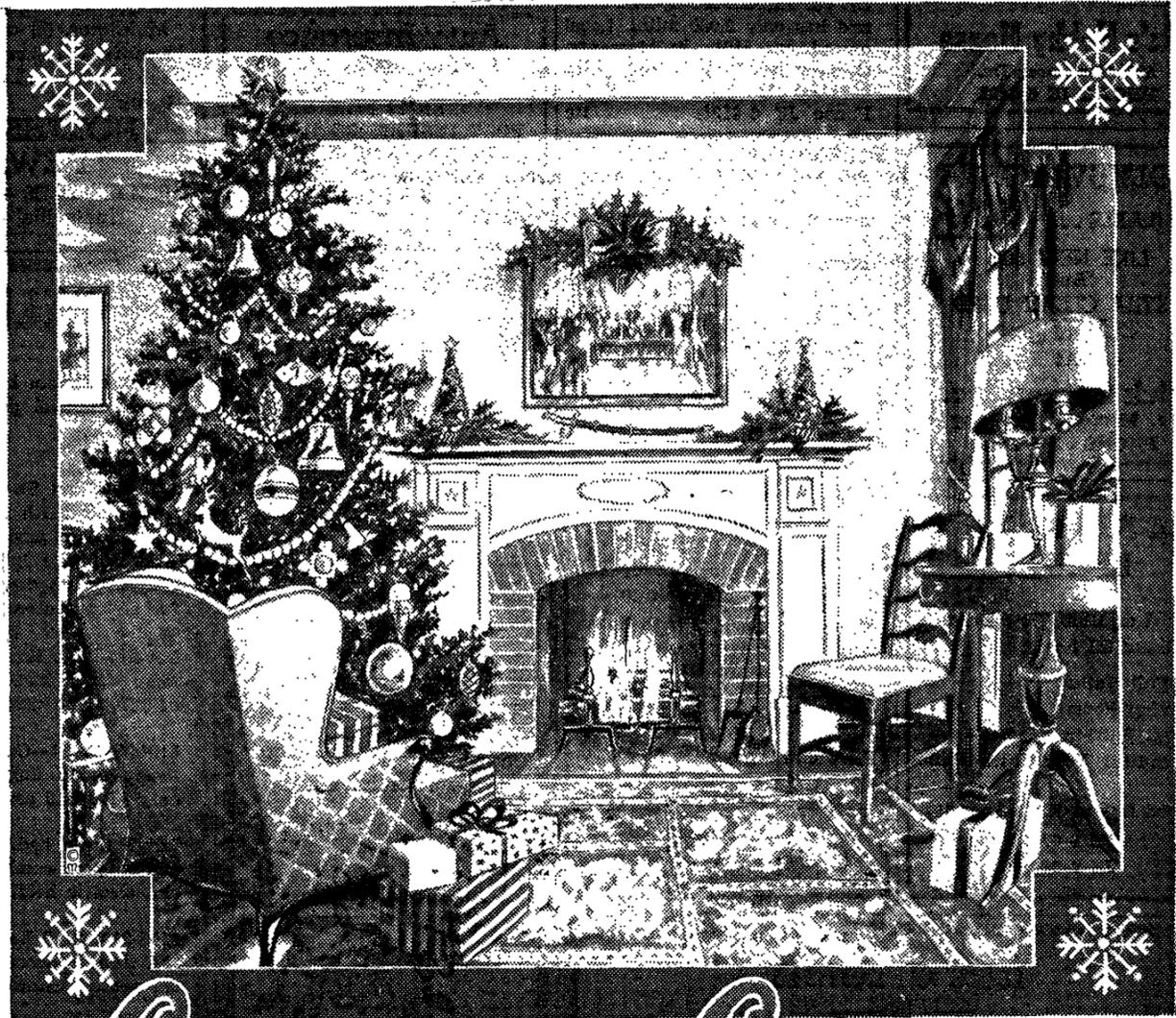
Friday, Dec. 23, "The Facts of Life" (Mature) starring Bob Hope and Lucille Ball. Time 1900 hours. Saturday, Dec. 24, **SPECIAL**

MARGARET JOTS HOLIDAY NOTES PLANNED AT CLUB

'Twas the week before Christmas, and all through the post, The troops were all planning to make it "the most." The passes were nestled all snug in their pockets, And someone was putting green wreaths on the rockets. And the Service Club Staff had decided that day To see about getting some fun under way. Christmas is not a time to be alone and far from home. Most of you will be going home this Christmas, but there will be those who cannot. You, who will not be able to make it home in time for the holidays are the ones to whom I am writing this. At Christmas, you need a tree, friendly people, good conversation, and much laughter. All of

this can be found in abundance at the Service Club. So let me extend an invitation to you now: Please come and help us celebrate Christmas. There will be all the hot coffee you can hold on Christmas morning, and donuts too. We will have dancing Christmas night, and a huge cake to celebrate all December birthdays that might have slipped by without any celebration. During the week following Christmas there will be plenty to do here at the Club. You won't want to miss our New Year's Eve Dance, for one thing, and the regular nightly programs will be interesting, also. Molly, Tom George, and I will be "holding the fort" for the holidays. So drop by and see us. Pick up a copy of our December schedule at the Club so that you will be up to date on all the programs (plus having a handy little calendar.) If you aren't interested in joining the planned programs, we have a television room, all sorts of small games, pool tables, tape recorders, musical instruments, and free stationery. See you soon? Margaret

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Hightower Receives ARGMA Junior Executive Award

His Contribution In Public Service Is Recognized

Col. John G. Zierdt, Commander the Army Rocket and Guided Missile Agency, recently presented the first Junior Executive Award to be conferred by the Agency to Lonnie N. Hightower.

Hightower is chief of the Air Defense Systems (Low Altitude) Division, Industrial Operations, ARGMA. His work includes direction of the Hawk, Mauler, and Redeye Missile programs, significant internationally as these systems have been selected for inclusion in NATO planning.

Cited as an example of Hightower's superior contributions in public service was his direction of the development of the LaCrosse Missile System during several crucial stages. He has prepared numerous complete briefings on the LaCrosse system and in June of this year made preliminary briefings to military authorities and eventually a congress-

awards were established this year by the Army Ordnance Missile Command to give special recognition and encouragement to civilian employes for exemplary achievement or notable contributions in the administrative field. The Command and each of its elements may make the awards annually.

To be eligible for the Junior Award, a recipient must be less than 36 years of age at the close of the year in which the award is made. Senior Awards are made to personnel more than 36 years of age. In both cases the employe must have been with the agency for at least 12 months.

Recipients receive an appropriate plaque and written commendation from the agency commander.

Hightower, who came to Red-



HOLIDAY SAFETY SPOTLIGHTED: In consonance with the Ordnance Corps objective of an accident-free holiday season, Col. Lester H. Levine, Deputy Commander Redstone Arsenal addressed personnel of Troop Command assembled in the Post Theatre. In his address, Col. Levine emphasized traffic hazards associated with holiday activities, and made an emphatic appeal for exercise of safe conduct to insure a happy holiday and a safe return to duty.

stone Arsenal in 1951 as an Industrial Engineer, lives at 4407 Choctaw Circle, Huntsville.



LONNIE N. HIGHTOWER

sional sub-committee.

In September Hightower was reassigned to direct the Hawk, Mauler, and Redeye programs.

Another example of his leadership ability was noted during the 1959 Redstone United Givers campaign when he served as ARGMA Industrial Operations chairman and led the division to the highest percentage participation ever achieved at that time.

Junior and Senior Executive

General Schomburg Presents Safety Award to Anniston

Maj. Gen. August Schomburg, Commanding general of the Army Ordnance Missile Command, presented the Ordnance Corps Commendation for Safety to Col. Robert C. Baker, Commander, Anniston Ordnance Depot, today (Tuesday).

In making the presentation, Gen. Schomburg represented Maj. Gen. Nelson M. Lynde, Deputy Chief of Ordnance for Field Service.

The Anniston Depot was awarded the commendation for outstanding improvement in field accident prevention and reduction of injuries to personnel for Fiscal Year 1960.

Improvement noted at the depot during the year included 50 per cent reduction over the previous year in motor vehicle accidents, 37 per cent reduction in disabling civilian injuries, 70 per cent reduction in minor injuries to personnel, and 39 per cent overall reduction in the total costs of all accidents.

This record was based on 3,300 employes at the Anniston Ordnance Depot who worked a total of 6.5 million man-hours during Fiscal 1960. Army motor vehicles assigned to the depot logged a total of 3,225,000 miles during the period.

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