

Mrs. Mitcham Finds Retirement Projects Plus



MRS. OPHELIA MITCHAM

There are cosmetic company ads which promise ladies that the way to a beautiful, flawless complexion and appearance of eternal youth is through the use of their product.

Ophelia Mitcham has found another way to the same results. At the end of 1966, she cleared off her desk at the Missile Command for the last time and went home after working at the Arsenal for more than 24 years. She frankly says she's 67, but she looks years younger. The eventful years since retirement have erased all cares and worries.

"They say a person needs to start a new project when he or she reaches 40," she said. She and her sister, Miss Rebecca Larkin, a retired school teacher, postponed their new projects until Ophelia retired.

The first thing they did was take a trip to Florida to decide whether or not they should build a retirement home there. "But we missed our Huntsville friends and our church, and we like a climate where there are definite changes

of season, so we came home. In less than two weeks we had sold the house we lived in for years, bought a new one, and moved."

A newly constructed house meant completely establishing a yard and deciding on the details of decorating a new home.

"We had fill dirt hauled in, we planted trees, and made beds for lilies of many varieties so we have some in bloom all summer," she said. Their yard looks like a well kept park, and they do absolutely all the work themselves. No sprig of nut grass or clump of wild onions dares to grow in their yard.

The inside of their house is just as tastefully done as their yard and garden. Everywhere there are well-placed objects of art from Japan. And they periodically add more. Some things are put away for a while as others are displayed.

Back in 1934 Japanese students at Redstone came to their home with letters of introduction from Ophelia's daughter who was with her Army colonel husband in Japan and was teaching there.

Since that time the sisters have

continued to entertain these students, always meeting new ones as they arrive and are brought around to their house by the ones who are leaving. The young Japanese men bring mementos in appreciation of the gracious hospitality they receive, and some gifts have come from their superiors in Japan.

"This past summer, a Japanese girl spent two weeks in our home as she prepared to marry one of the students. The biggest problem we had was trying to find a wedding dress that was small enough!"

Last Spring, the busy retirees decided they'd go to Japan, via Honolulu, and visit some of the people who had been to their homes. "We were truly treated like 'visiting firemen.' They even had a project officer assigned for our visit who had made every conceivable arrangement for our comfort and pleasure."

They've made other trips to Florida and one to Washington, D. C. Twice Ophelia has gone to (See MRS. MITCHAM on Page 3)

The Redstone Rocket

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Calibration Conference In Session At Redstone

Tuesday, the annual Army Area Support Calibration Conference began at the U. S. Army Missile Command with the Army Metrology and Calibration Center staff hosts to representatives from the worldwide organization.

Maj. Gen. Edwin I. Donley, Commanding General of the Missile Command, welcomed the group which will confer for four days on problems faced by the calibration teams in the field and in the secondary standards laboratories.

Col. William C. McMillan, director of the Metrology and Calibration Center, is conference chairman. Richard Tiner of the Army Materiel Command's Quality Assurance Directorate, is honorary chairman.

Some of the areas of interest which the conferees will cover are five year goals in field operations responsibilities and support, new equipment training, supply catalogs, new equipment, procure-

ment and provisioning, and inspections. They will cover administration, cross-service agreements, calibration procedures, and audits in the radiac program.

Discussion will be both general and specific in areas in which changes have been made or problems are encountered.

Members of the local staff who will serve as moderators for the meeting include Maj. E. R. Harrison, chief of the Field Operations Division, and his deputy, Carl H. Morrison, Jr.; Elmer F. Rufe, chief, Maintenance Engineering Section; William E. Billingsley, Policy and Requirements Office;

M. L. Fruechtenicht, chief, Metrology Development and Engineering Division; Cecil E. Hammett, chief, Policy and Requirements Office; J. C. McKinney, Jr., chief, Army Standards Laboratory; James McAdams, Metrology Development and Engineering Division; Lewis

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Thank You

People at Redstone did their part.

In October an appeal was issued from Birmingham for Red Cross Blood Donors to help in the fight for life of three and one-half year old Stephanie Leigh Parker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Parker. Stephanie was the victim of leukemia.

She lost her fight for life in November, but her parents are grateful to the individual blood donors from Redstone Arsenal who gave blood in an effort to save the life of their daughter.

Their message reads:

"Employees of Redstone Arsenal:

"We would like to take this opportunity to thank each and everyone who participated in giving blood to our little daughter, Stephanie. Your thoughtfulness in wanting to help her has meant so very much to both of us. We will always remember your kindness. Larry and Jackie Parker."

HAWK AWARDS \$5.7 MILLION

Two U. S. Army contracts, totaling more than \$5.7 million, have been awarded to Raytheon Company for work on the Improved Hawk missile system.

Largest of the awards, for \$4,449,993, calls for engineering services while the other, for \$1,322,368, will support refurbishment and retrofit of basic Hawk equipment to Improved Hawk.

Work will be performed at the company's Andover, Mass., facility.

Under the improvement program, the Hawk missile is redesigned as a more reliable defense against enemy aircraft. The weapon system is deployed with Army and Marine Corps units in the United States and overseas.

The Hawk program is managed (See HAWK on Page 3)

AOA Sets Election Tonight

Election and installation of new officers will be a feature of the annual dinner meeting of the Tennessee Valley Chapter, American Ordnance Association, tonight at the Redstone Officers Open Mess beginning at 6:30.

Officers to be nominated by the nominating committee are:

Brig. Gen. George H. McBride, president; Fred Glickman, Sterling C. Holmes and Col. Gilbert P. Levy, vice presidents; Thomas L. Burkett, secretary-treasurer; and Ollie

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SUGGESTION NETS CHECK—Carlos Jordan, a calibration specialist in the Field Operations Division of the U. S. Army Metrology and Calibration Center, receives a check of \$1140 for a suggestion initiated as a Value Engineering proposal which saved the government \$87,219 in FY 69. Col. W. C. McMillan, director of the Center, made the presentation Friday afternoon. Jordan spent eight and one-half years in the Air Force in related work and came to Redstone in June 1962.

New Nurse Joins Staff

1Lt Linda Lansford has joined the nursing staff at the Redstone Army hospital following a year's assignment in the 93rd Evacuation Hospital at Long Binh, Vietnam.

Lt. Lansford is one of the many young, Army nurses who underwent her student nurse training as a member of the Army on active duty. She began her program at Enid General Hospital (now Bass Memorial Hospital) as a civilian and switched to Army training under a three year program that paid her tuition, books uniforms and room and board.

At Brook General Hospital in Ft. Sam Houston, Lt. Lansford was given the basic Army nurse course and received her commission. The hospital was filled with Vietnam casualties at the time, the lieutenant (See NEW NURSE on Page 3)



ARMY NURSE—1Lt. Linda Lansford gives PFC William M. Hoehn the medicine prescribed for the Missile Command, Headquarters soldier during his stay in the Army hospital. Lt. Lansford is the most recent Army nurse to join the staff at Redstone Arsenal's Medical Department Activities. Previous duty was in Vietnam.

The Redstone Rocket

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Rocket Ruminations

The clock indicates the moment—but what does eternity indicate?
—Walt Whitman

Roll Up Your Sleeves

The American National Red Cross is making a special appeal for year-long support during 1970. It is not just another fund drive. Red Cross officials say they now get about 90 per cent of their operating budget through United Funds. The remainder is raised by chapters which conduct independent fund raising campaigns in March.

The Red Cross feels its "Roll Up Your Sleeves" campaign is in keeping with the President's emphasis on voluntary action. It hopes the slogan will promote year-round participation in and support of the many Red Cross programs which help in time of disaster; provide first-aid, water safety and home nursing education; supply about half of the blood needs of our nation's hospitals, and serve the men and women of our armed forces and veterans.

Last year, Red Cross served a monthly average of 121,000 servicemen. It transmitted more than 863,000 emergency welfare messages to and from overseas, including birth and death notices, and other information vital to servicemen and



their families. During the year, it presented more than 147,000 recreation events to sick and wounded servicemen in military hospitals around the globe. An average of 248,000 troops participated each month last year in recreation programs offered by young women in Red Cross Center/Clubmobile programs in Vietnam and Korea—\$51,747,603 was spent for these services.

The Red Cross counseled more than 15,750 veterans or their families each month on personal and family problems. And it provided nearly \$13.5 million in loans and grants to servicemen and their families to help meet emergency financial problems.

The American National Red Cross aids all segments of the community. It serves all America and all Americans.

Roll up **your** sleeves with the Red Cross (AFPS)

Our Obligation

Everyone has obligations. Teachers, parents, scholars, servicemen and women—no matter what the walk of life—we are obligated by the nature of our society, whether we've thought about it or not.

One definition of the word obligation by Webster states: "That which a person is bound to do or forbear; any duty imposed by law, promise, or contract, by the relations of society, or by courtesy, kindness, etc."

President Nixon perhaps best asserted the meaning of our obligations as members of the U.S. Armed Forces when he spoke last June at the Air Force Academy commencement exercises. He said, "I believe that we must balance our need for survival as a nation with our need for survival as a people. Americans, servicemen and civilians, must remember that defense is not an end in itself—it is a way of holding fast to the deepest values known to civilized men."

No country can survive for long unless its people survive within it. By this we mean, dedicated and compassionate men and women of our great country must hold fast to the human values we deeply believe and accept as a highly civilized society. Among these aesthetic values are freedom, heritage, happiness, prosperity and peace. To lose anyone of these from within means we would fail to survive as a people; in turn, we would also fail to survive as a nation.

As Americans, servicemen and civilians, we must band together, work together and build together. Above all, we must be idealists if we are to continue to progress and be respected as the leader of the Free World.

Individualism and enthusiasm are urgently needed if we are to remain a proud society of idealists. This is how America became the greatest nation on earth. This is how she will remain the greatest nation on earth.

We have only to love our country and contribute our fair share of effort as individuals and as a team to achieve and retain the goals we hold fast as "... the deepest values known to civilized men."

We have only to fulfill our **obligations**—as a people and as a nation.

ZERO DEFECTS CORNER



it's up to you!



A pair of enlisted specialists who work together in the Arsenal Support Operations Directorate were selected as a team to share the Missile Command's Zero Defects Employee of the Month citation for February.

They are SP/4 Walter A. Trzeciak and SP/4 John F. Kennedy. The Nike Radar repairmen are assigned to the Maintenance Support Division for on-site work at the DASO hardstand.

The two specialists were cited by the Zero Defects Program Council in recognition of their outstanding performance of the technical inspection of electronic assemblies for Nike Radar equipment.

Duties of the on-site team entail their dismantling the system, accomplishing 1,600 chassis inspections, and reassembling the system for a final checkout to insure proper operation.

During the past eight months Specialists Trzeciak and Kennedy have performed checkouts on eight systems and completed each well within the two-week time limit established for the job.

The two specialists from the northeast part of the country entered the Army on the same day, December 4, 1967; Trzeciak from Niagara Falls, N.Y., and Kennedy from Chester, Pa.

Trzeciak holds an associate applied science degree in electronic technology earned at the Niagara Community College and plans to work for an Electrical union while studying Electronics at the University of Buffalo.

Kennedy expects to leave the service at the end of his present tour and is looking forward to civilian work as a computer programmer.

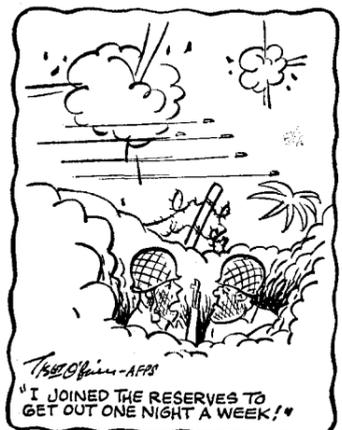


RETURNS—Maj. Raymond L. Dinger has been assigned to the Supply and Maintenance Directorate where he will be Chief of the Liaison Branch, Stock Control Division. This is the third tour at Redstone for Maj. Dinger whose two previous assignments were with the Missile and Munitions Center and School. His most recent assignment was in Vietnam where he was an Ordnance Advisor to the Army, Republic of Vietnam.

COMMENDATION MEDALS

The Army has awarded Commendation medals to SP5 Robert S. Wakefield, SP4 Wayne L. Spier and 1Lt. Stephen L. O'Keefe.

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Iranian Lieutenant Gets AUSA Scholarship Award

Seventy-five graduates from the United States Army Missile and Munitions Center and School received universal advice today from the first British Exchange officer assigned to the school's faculty.

Maj. J. S. D. Wharton of Officer Training Department urged the men not to let themselves become one of Thomas Paine's "summer soldiers." He stressed that the next two years should be used productively; that self-improvement should be the prime goal of every man.

The universal appeal of his advice related not only to the American graduates but also to Iranian 1st Lt. Parviz Khorrani, who compiled a 98.0 in Ammunition Records and received the Association of the United States Army (AUSA) award.

Edward D. Mohlere, representative of the AUSA, presented additional outstanding student awards to SSG Hilton G. Lacure, Jr. of Ohio, Mich., having 98.4 in the Land Combat Support Missile Repair Technician course, and to PFC Henry P. Moore of Orangeburg, S. C. and Pvt. James A. Williams of Leslie, Ga., each having a 97.6 average in the Ammunition Storage course.

The AUSA award is presented to students who achieve an average of 96 and up.

Other honor graduates were: 2Lt Daniel C. Creamer, Manchester, Conn., with a 91.1 in the Mis-



MAJ. J. S. D. WHARTON

sile Maintenance Officer course; SP/4 Robert E. Shirley of Belton, S. C., having an average of 89.5 in the Nike Radar and Computer Repair course, and PFC Peter C. Young, having a 90.1 in the Nike Missile Repair course and hailing from Golden, Colo.

National anthems from Iran, Great Britain, and the United States were rendered by the 55th U. S. Army Band, and Chaplain James R. Perkins delivered the concluding benediction.

MRS. MITCHAM

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Albuquerque, N. M. to stay with her five grandchildren while their mother went to Hawaii to meet her husband who was on business trips there from Vietnam.

She has crocheted 10 afghans and gave away seven. The other three were made for friends who furnished the thread. She sews for her granddaughter and has been making play suits or mandarin pajamas for Vietnamese orphans as part of her church circle work.

"We frequently have dinner with old friends, we have a lot of church work, and I belong to the Association of Retired Civil Service Employees," she said. And this year she worked for six weeks with the Chamber of Commerce Sesquicentennial committee.

One of the best things about retirement is economic. "I save more money than I did when I was working because I don't need so many clothes, car expenses are less, and there is time to shop carefully for groceries and cook, instead of grabbing up convenience foods at the nearest store."

Not to leave any stone unturned, she worked part time long enough to build up minimum social security credits.

While employed at Redstone she was a program specialist in the Procurement and Production Directorate, and earlier had been a management analyst as well as doing other office work. All of this followed 18 years of school teaching.

Her exact comment about retirement is, "It's heavenly. There's never a dull moment."



HONORED IN KOREA—Robert F. Priess accepts the congratulations of Maj. Gen. Ward S. Ryan following the presentation of the Department of Army's Meritorious Service Commendation Award. An employee of the Missile Command's Supply and Maintenance Directorate, Priess was honored for his achievements as an advisor to the Republic of Korea Army in the maintenance and supply of the Nike Hercules missile system. He was cited specifically for significantly improving the quality of training. Gen. Ryan made the presentation as Chief of the U. S. Army Advisory Group, Korea.

also plays the piano and paints.

Lt. Lansford is enthusiastic about the role of an Army nurse. She first became aware of the nurse's importance when she was assigned to an open heart surgery case and realized that in a civilian institution she might work years without

ever attaining that degree of responsibility, or even see so many dissimilar ailments entrusted to her care in the Army.

Feb. 12—Dateline 1809—Abraham Lincoln, 16th President of the United States, was born.

CALIBRATION

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B. Ellenberg, chief, Calibrations Operations Branch; and James M. Breece, Policy and Requirements Office.

Others who will share a spot on the program are John L. McSparrin, and B. M. Snyder, both from the Policy and Requirements Office; Joseph R. Prochaska, Program Management and Administration; Thomas M. English and David L. Ponder, Jr., Missile Command Computation Center and Frank C. Westmoreland, Program Management and Administration Office.

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L. Hirsch, National Council Member.

Principal speaker for tonight's meeting will be Dr. Arthur G. Hansen, president of the Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta.

Dr. Hansen became president of Georgia Tech last May following three years as Dean of the College of Engineering. Prior to that he was on the faculty at the University of Michigan for seven years.

Feb. 22—Dateline 1732—George Washington—surveyor, soldier, patriot, statesman and "Father of our Country"—was born at Wakefield, Va.

NEW NURSE

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tenant worked with thoracic and cardio-vascular patients and in the intensive care wards.

At Redstone, she will be assigned wherever she is needed—relieving in surgery, working in the outpatient clinic, and relieving the chief nurse, Lt. Col. Sarah Perkins. In Vietnam, Lt. Lansford was assigned as head nurse on the medical ward before she left.

A native of Moore, Okla., she likes to ride and play tennis. She

HAWK

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by the Army Missile Command at Redstone Arsenal, Ala., under Col. J. R. M. Covert, Project Manager.

Contracts were negotiated by the Missile Command's Procurement and Production Directorate.

Shelby Chamberlain Dies

Graveside services for Mrs. Shelby McCullough Chamberlain, 51, were held Monday at Huntsville's Maple Hill Cemetery.

Mrs. Chamberlain, a management analyst in the Manpower Division, Safeguard System Command's Support Operations Office, died last Sunday following a short illness.

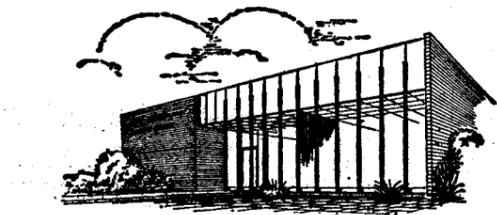
She was a native of Huntsville and a graduate of Huntsville High School.

Mrs. Chamberlain began her career in Federal Service in 1941, starting as a stenographer in the Area Engineer Office at Huntsville Arsenal. She transferred to the Army Chemical Center in Maryland when the Arsenal closed in 1948 but returned to Huntsville and the newly activated Redstone Arsenal two years later.

Later she worked for several of the Army's Rocket and Missile agencies headquartered at Redstone joining the Nike Zeus Project in 1962. She remained with the project, now the Safeguard System Command until the time of her death.

Mrs. Chamberlain is survived by her husband, Rodney D. Chamberlain; three children, Janice, Rodney Jr., and Richard; her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Shelby McCullough; and two brothers, Martin McCullough and Richard McCullough.

Feb. 2—Dateline 1901—The Army Nurse Corps was established, marking the first time women nurses were officially recognized as part of the War Department.



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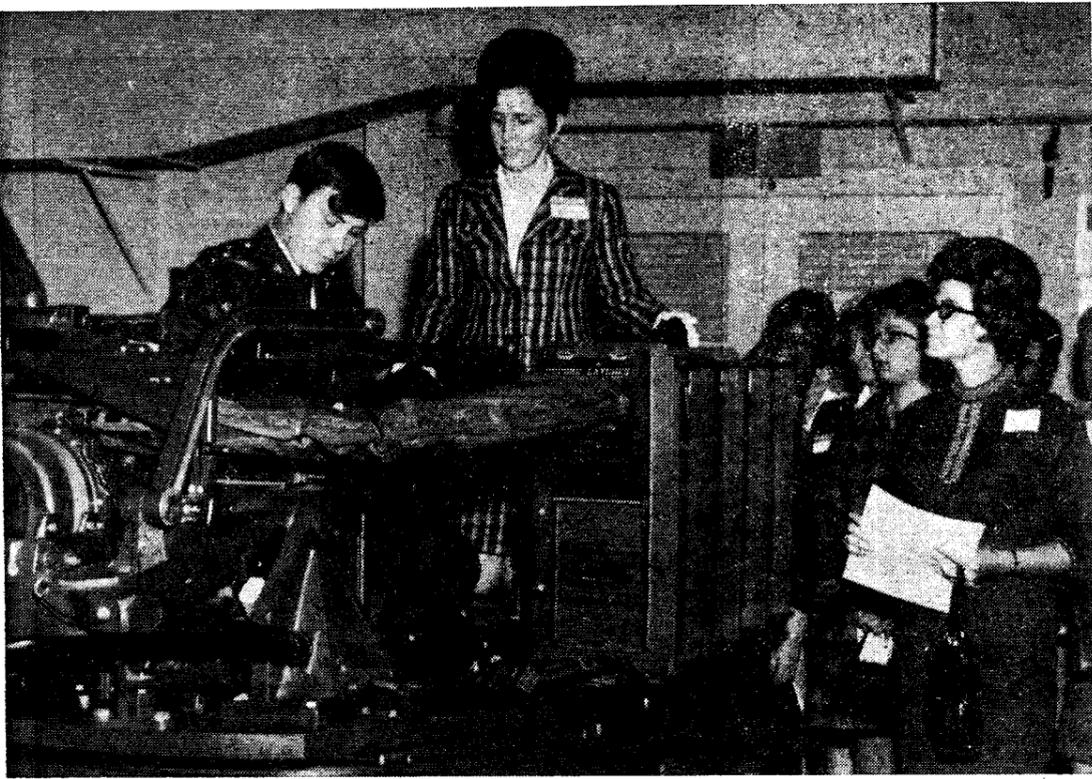
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WIVES TOUR—More than 75 wives of recently arrived military and civilian personnel at the Army Missile and Munitions Center and School receive an orientation tour of the \$100,000,000 training facility. Here Mrs. John Black, whose husband is employed in the Operations Office, is briefed on the Vulcan automatic cannon by SP4 Richard Saint, an instructor on the weapon which can fire as many as 3,000 bullets a minute. Vulcan can be used in combination with small missiles in many combat situations.



DECORATIONS—Mrs. R. E. Wesson (right), chairman of the Redstone Home and Garden Club sponsored by the Officers Wives Club, discusses the type of decorations that can be made with cones and pods with Marie Sullivan who is teaching members of the Officers Wives Club to make their own. The Home and Garden Club is open to all members of the Wives Club. It meets once a month.

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The luncheon, sponsored by Directorate of Missile Intelligence and NASA wives, will begin at noon in the Ballroom. Reservations should be made before noon, Friday, Feb. 6, to Mrs. D. J. McCarron, 837-0806, (A-N), or Mrs. Regis Reynolds, 837-3045, (O-Z). Mrs. R. P. Loshbough, 837-6434, will take cancellations till noon, Monday, Feb. 9.

New Arrivals

- Sp5 and Mrs. Thomas D. Stawiar-ski, boy, Lee Thomas, Jan. 15.
- Sp5 (Ret.) and Mrs. Floyd J. Junks, boy, Richard Garland, Jan. 16.
- Sp4 and Mrs. J. D. Diamond, boy, Dwayne, Jan. 17.
- Sp5 and Mrs. John L. Lampert, boy, Richard Thomas, Jan. 17.
- Sp6 and Mrs. Clyde E. Mier, girl, Staci Leigh, Jan. 18.
- 2LT and Mrs. Charles W. Cunard, boy, Jeffrey David, Jan. 18.
- Sp5 and Mrs. Leon A. Johnson, girl, Lovena Ruth, Jan. 19.
- Sp4 and Mrs. David A. Boyce, boy, Derrick Asa, Jan. 20.
- CPT and Mrs. William A. Covelli, Sr., boy, William Arthur, Jr., Jan. 21.
- Sp5 and Mrs. Brian P. Hamer, girl, Wendy Patricia, Jan. 21.
- PFC and Mrs. Vincent J. Isabella, girl, Laura Beth, Jan. 22.
- Sp4 and Mrs. Roy W. Alexander, girl, Carol Marie, Jan. 22.

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John Nelson Covers Management Of EEO

The last few years have brought changes and steady improvement in operation of the Equal Employment Opportunity program at the Army Missile Command, according to John Nelson, the able young EEO special assistant to the Civilian Personnel Officer.

Nelson's dedication to the program shows in his lucid description of its aims. Although he officially went into his present position in July, he has been involved in the program for two and one-half years.

"When we speak of EEO, we mean providing the same opportunity to all employees on all matters that enhance their careers," Nelson said.

The program is predominately applicable to minority groups who haven't been given opportunities for advancement in the past.

"Minority group employees, as defined by the Army, are those considered disadvantaged in the employment situation," Nelson said. They are identified by local installations based on the racial or ethnic composition of the locality.

"In this area, black people are the minority group. In parts of the West, it might be the American Indians, and in the Southwest, the Mexican Americans.

"As to changes, in the past we viewed equal employment opportunity as meaning no discrimination at the time of employment, promotion or training.

"Now we know they must be advised from the beginning how they can gain experience that will qualify them for advancement."

How do they get specialized experience?

"We call it 'fooling with the equipment,'" Nelson said.

For example, a laborer should be given a chance to learn to operate some heavy piece of machinery if one is being used on his job, by sitting up with the operator and learning from him.

"And also from the beginning, the supervisor should understand that he is to give each a turn at learning new skills and to have it put in the person's record. When a vacancy occurs, it is readily apparent who is qualified.

"Now we are having to view the program in a new perspective. That is, that equal opportunity has to become a part of every decision made by managers at all levels in carrying out day-to-day duties.

"I'd like to point specifically to supervisory support of the EEO program. We must insure that top management understands the program and evaluates the effectiveness of his subordinates in carrying out their responsibilities. Within the past two and one-half years, I have witnessed top managers becoming more concerned and involved.

For instance, just recently I briefed approximately 90 per cent of the Wage Board supervisors in the Arsenal Support Operations Directorate.

"This was done at the direction of the DASO director. With that kind of top management support, I am expecting DASO in the future to become a model for other directorates to follow.

Quoting from a speech made by Nicholas J. Organovic, executive director of the U. S. Civil Service Commission, Nelson said, "Managers must develop in themselves and in their subordinates a keener sense of racial sensitivity. They must examine their own attitudes and make sure they represent a conscious policy of equal employment opportunity."

Several years ago there was a strong effort to get more minority group employees into professional and scientific positions, Nelson said. Now emphasis is being directed toward Wage Board and clerical employees.

Nelson looks at the whole personnel program and evaluates the status of the minority group employees to the entire work force. If he finds an unfavorable situation, he takes necessary action to bring it to the attention of the proper management official.

He said that in correcting such situations, "The opportunities for all employees are enhanced."

In carrying out his responsibilities in the Civilian Personnel Office, he coordinates with Jimmy Temple, the Commanding General's special assistant for EEO affairs, who, like Nelson, sports a mustache. "You know they say that twins think alike—even when they're apart. Sometimes I think it would be helpful if we'd been twins—our minds have to run in the same channel. Seriously, though, I support his role," Nelson said.



JOHN NELSON
"... and equal opportunity for all employees ..."

Nelson came into Federal Service by the Federal Service Entrance Examination route. "I had some friends at the Missile Command, and used to come down from Nashville to visit them. They encouraged me to apply for a job—I talked to the Civilian Personnel people, and they suggested I take the exam. I did, I passed, and I was hired."

A native of Pulaski, Tenn., he is a graduate of Tennessee A&I University where he majored in biology. He worked as a research technician at Vanderbilt University before coming to his present position.

WHOs

WHOs, the organization for wives whose husbands are overseas, will hold a business dinner meeting at 7 p.m. tomorrow in the NCO Open Mess. The section of the organization is for the wives of non-commissioned officers who are overseas. For further information about the group, call Mrs. Glen Ausmus, 881-8546.

Pots, Pans, Irons Needed By ACS At Lending Closet

The Army Community Services volunteers find some of the items in the lending closets are wearing out.

They have issued an appeal to members of the military community who are moving on to another assignment to give their slightly worn but useable items ordinarily thrown away to the lending closet for use of incoming personnel who arrive before their household goods.

The ACS lending closet is located in Bldg. 3656.

For further information about the group, call Mrs. Glen Ausmus, 881-8546.

Hail And Farewell Proves Successful

With more than 550 persons attending, last Friday's (30 Jan 70) Hail and Farewell party was the most successful of these bi-monthly events in the history of the Army Missile and Munitions Center and School.

Maj. Jerald C. Bangerter and Capt. David C. Grace, co-chairmen of the affair, said the record crowd that turned out to greet 77 arriving or departing officers came close to swamping the facilities of the Redstone Officers Open Mess, including parking lots.

A prime factor in the success of the event was the broad repertoire of music offered by "The Distortions" of Birmingham and the vocalizing of Sheri Alexander.

As a result, the MMCS Hail and Farewell Committee is trying to book another name band for the next event to be held in March.

Col. Paul B. Schuppener, MMCS commandant, Col. Gilbert P. Levy, assistant commandant, Col. Robert N. Edger, chief of the local Combat Development Command agency, and their wives assisted in receiving the guests.

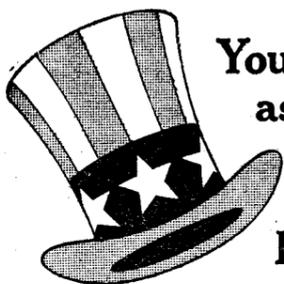
Maj. Bangerter praised officers of the MMCS Land Combat and Air Defense departments for devising elaborate decorations that carried out the theme of "Southern New Year."



NATIONAL BEAUTY SALON WEEK FEB. 8-14

The Rocket City Hairdressers Association is participating in activities for National Beauty Salon Week, February 8th. through February 14th., in support of Mental Health. On Mon. Jan. 26, a group of Hairdressers went to the Extencare Nursing Home and contributed their time for beauty treatments—shampoos, styles, facials and manicures. Last Monday, February 2nd., a group went to Big Spring Manor Nursing Home at 9:00 a.m. for the same services. Johnson Towers Apartments and Juvenile Assistance League will be included at a later date.

Saturday, February 7th., at 2:30 p.m., there will be a parade downtown to kickoff National Beauty Salon Week. Monday, February 9th. the Hairdressers Association will have a breakfast at Shockley's Pancake House on Governors Drive. Tuesday through Friday each Salon will have open house. Saturday, February 14th., we will have a Hair Fashion Show, crowning of the Queen and the Hairdressers Ball at Dunnavant Mall. Admission is \$1.50 each. The public is invited. All proceeds go to Mental Health.



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Civilian Cage Upsets Continue As ICO Falls

Safeguard Gives Form Sheet Another Beating

It's getting to the point where predicting the outcome of Civilian Welfare Fund basketball league games is dangerous business with just about any one of the twelve teams capable of whipping any other on a given night.

What started out as a cozy three-team race has turned into a virtual free for all with no less than five quintets still holding to a chance to share the regular season crown. The post-season tourney is likely to have an even wider range of possibilities with each team starting from scratch.

The Safeguard five, upset winners over Engineering QA a week ago, destroyed the form sheet for the second time in a row in handing ICO a 54-45 setback. The loss was the first inflicted on the defending champs this season and sent them spinning into second place.

The leading Finance and Accounting narrowly escaped the upset hopes of DASO to win 75-70, and QA was extended to two overtimes before claiming a 62-58 win over Data Processing.

The remainder of the weekly card saw Research and Engineering capture their fifth straight from Metrology, 67-47, Missile Intelligence take a 55-42 win from Procurement and Production and the Missile School destroy the Corps of Engineers, 64-38.

Safeguard battled back from a 27-23 half time deficit in putting a stop to the ICO string that had run through seven contests. The Research Park quintet used only six players and each of them broke into the scoring column.

Reaves took scoring honors with 20 points and Dupree joined him in double figures with 11. Mulli-

nax topped ICO with 21.

The F&A-DASO clash was a nip and tuck affair all the way neither team being able to build a lead of over five points at any time. The Accountants led by four, 39-35, at the half.

Elliott Agee sparked the F&A attack with 24 points, Reppert hit for 15, Franklin got 14 and Bunnell collected 13. Burnette topped DASO with 22 and Laster added 15 more.

Al Maddux hit a pair of long one handers to provide the winning margin for QA in their long duel with DPO. The regulation game ended in a 54-54 tie, and each team counted with four points in the first overtime.

Don Woods collected 31 points in the win and Maddux added 12 more. Bill Largen was high for DPO with 24 and Bishop Arnold was close behind with 18.

Nine players scored as R&E made it five wins in a row at the expense of the Metrology Lab. The Engineers started fast and kept right on adding to their lead which was 44-21 at the half.

Jerry Dooley topped the scoring with 17, one more than his team mate, Doug Schrader. Lee was high for Metrology with 13.

The School captured win No. 3 with ease against the Engineer five that is still missing its star point maker, Hamill Martin. The winners were ahead from the start and led 34-16 at the half.

Veach tossed in 13 points and Oakes added 11 for the School while Jay Soper topped the Engineers with 12.

Missile Intelligence built up a 34-17 halftime lead against P&P in racing to their sixth win in nine starts.

Shepherd was high for MID with 15 points while Rencher scored 11 for the losers.

NACC Regains Customary Role

Being relegated to second place for the first time this season brought on a quick reaction from the four members of the North Alabama College of Commerce team of the Comp Center Mixed League.

After leading the loop by as many as eleven points, NACC went into a slump and dropped behind the Lucky Strikes by a half point a week ago.

The positions were swapped again last week in a head-to-head match with NACC walking off with a sweep of the four points. The two rivals will go back at it this week in the position night ending the second round of the schedule.

Jim Traglia shot a 518, his wife, Eudora, was almost as tough with a 516, and John Jones rapped a 503 for the Collegians. Ray McCormack shot a 538 in the losing cause.

The Main Frames blanked the Alley Oops and the Jesters had too much for the Skonks in a pair of series sweeps.

The best individual efforts went into the Bedell Florist-Whiskers duel with Wayne Spruell hitting a 547 total as the Florists won three points. Don Dutchess included a 225 in his 587 series for the Whiskers.



TWO GOOD REASONS for the lofty position of the Bandits in the AMC-Civilian Welfare Bowling League are Willie Wiggins (l) and John Goltz. The latter is threatening to make a runaway of the league's individual average race with a 185 while Wiggins has been pounding the maples for an average of 175. The Bandits take a five-point lead into tonight's battle with the second place Bombers who still have designs on the title that they have captured six of the last eight years.

Yager Is Star Of Week . . . Bombers Try To Derail Bandit Express

The Bandits added another couple of lengths to their hold on the AMC-Civilian Welfare bowling

league last week while the Bombers fell into a three-way tie for the runner-up slot last week.

Harry Yager was the most productive Voyager with a 563 and Joe Powell kicked in with a 535. Yager's 638 handicapped total gave him Bowler of the Week laurels.

MICOM Gals Bid For Shot At GE

Its General Electric against the field in the double elimination tourney opening this week for the championship of the Huntsville Women's basketball league.

The Bandits, looking more like the team to beat every week, hung a 3-1 setback on the Avengers while the Bombers were losing by the same margin to the Sprinters. The Voyagers blanked the Tigers and the Travellers took a 3-1 win from the Jokers for the other two shares of second.

The All-Sports hopped on the Raiders for another sweep behind the 566 lead of Harold Madry. Lee Keim added a 536 to the attack and Ed Leahy stoked up a 533. Billy Brazelton topped the Raiders with 548 and Les Westbrooks chopped down another 534 sticks.

The GE six completed regular season play in the six-team loop last week by making Safeguard their tenth consecutive victim for an unbeaten slate.

John Goltz continued his heavy blasting with a 575 and Willie Wiggins added a 539 to get the leaders their margin. Goltz shot a 228 in the final game to provide the margin for the last two points and Steve Stevens prevented a sweep with a 211 in the middle.

In other matches All Rossi put together a 553 count as the Lancers won three from the T-Birds and Karl Bayer turned in a 537 card as the Alley Cats won a trio from the Rejectors.

Lucky Strikes In First All Alone

Safeguard's Lucky Strikes snapped a first place tie with the MICOM D-2's and moved out to a three-point advantage in RSA Officers bowling league activity last week.

The Strikes swept their set with another Safeguard outfit, the Wheezers, while D-2 was dropping three out of four to the Huntsville Engineers' Hard Hats.

Wednesday night action was marked by a flurry of individual heroics with the high scoring including 13 series over 500 and an even half dozen better than 200 games.

Sperry Rand's Bob Love put together the best single game, a 231, while Roy Parmalee of the Sandbaggers, and Larry Martin of the Jawbreakers deadlocked for high-series honors, each with 579.

The Five-Splits accounted for an outstanding team effort in putting together a 1026 game.

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The Missile Command appears to have the best chance of derailing the GE hopes for a third consecutive league crown. MICOM dropped a pair of encounters to the champions but won twice a piece from each of the other four league entries.

Win number eight was scored last Monday when a surprisingly strong RCA team fell 50-33 after having put up a terrific battle through three quarters of play.

Leading only 37-31 going into the final eight-minutes, the MICOM girls dashed the upset hopes of RCA by scoring 13 points while limiting the losers to a single field goal.

Gladys Hill was the top point producer again with 30 points and Joyce Ingram connected for 14 more. Carrol Bissinger hit a pair of goals for four points and Evelyn Smith completed the scoring with two points.

Theater Schedule

WED., Feb. 4
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SAT., Feb. 7
"Guns of the Magnificent Seven" (G)

SUN.-MON., Feb. 8-9
"On Her Majesty's Secret Service" (M)
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LTC James Williams Is Army History Collector

To some, tracing the Army's history might be a tedious and dull chore, but LTC James Williams, chief, General Ammunition Division, has found a way to mix knowledge with pleasure—collecting unit crests. According to Col. Williams, "by studying the unit crests, their designs and symbolism, that is, you could learn the history of the Army." Each crest is distinctive; each provides a symbolic vignette of the part played by the unit in the drama of the Army's history.



Col. Williams' interesting and informative avocation first started in 1958. At that time he was stationed at Ft. Sill, Okla., a base "where crest variety is the rule than the exception." At first his interest was merely one of curiosity; but as curiosity became coupled with information and enthusiasm, a collector was born.

As in other collections, oddity and scarcity are rated highly. Crests of units prior to WW II are much harder to find than the current crests; these would be more "valuable" than crests which are more numerous. One example of oddity would be the crest of the 15th Ordnance Bn. On some crests the motto of the 15th Ord unit—"I am ever prepared—is misprinted; the "I" is omitted.



Because of the unusualness of this pastime, increasing the collection at times is difficult. Although Col. Williams is a member of the American Society of Military Insignia Collectors, an organization with approximately 800 members, he relies heavily on donations from NCOs and Officers to supplement his collection. Presently Col. Williams has ap-

MICOM Rolls On . . .

SOC/HHC Leads C Co. By Half Game

MICOM (I) and SOC/HHC each captured a pair of wins last week to maintain their respective leads atop the National and American Divisions of the RSA Unit Level basketball league.

The unbeaten Missile Command quintet raced past the 522nd Ordnance, 76-41, and repeated later in the week with the 200th Ordnance feeling the sting of an 80-27 shellacking.

The brace of wins were the tenth and eleventh of the season for MICOM in the National race. The runner up C Company quintet was awarded a win in their only scheduled game when the 6th ETC was forced to forfeit. C has taken six wins while losing only to the leaders.

American Division play is much closer with SOC/HHC holding a slim half-game lead over B Company. The leaders hung up win No. 6 with a 78-30 drubbing of 8th ETC (II) and made it seven out

of eight in beating the 7th ETC, 74-42. B Company, loser of just one game also, made it six out of seven with a 73-51 decision over the 5th ETC.

UNIT LEVEL STANDINGS

(THROUGH JANUARY 30)

American Division			National Division		
	W	L		W	L
SOC/HHC	7	1	MICOM (I)	11	0
B Company	6	1	C Company	6	1
D Company	5	2	8th ETC (I)	7	2
9th ETC	6	3	522nd Ord	5	2
7th ETC	6	3	249th Ord	6	3
5th ETC	6	3	A Company	5	5
MICOM (II)	4	4	Police	6	7
563rd Ord	4	5	6th ETC	4	5
218th Ord	2	6	MICOM (III)	2	7
8th ETC (II)	2	7	200th Ord	2	8
95th Cal	2	8	Marines	1	8
1st ETC	0	9	3rd ETC	0	11

Half 'N Half Pin Power Hastens Delta Retreat

There's sadness in 88 land! The Delta 88s have slipped—from the pinnacle of the Brigade Bowling League standings. Its replacement again is 94-Plus.

But the teams did not meet in the deciding match. Half and Half deflated the 88s while 94-Plus showed no mercy in disposing of 522d Ord to cause the shift in standings.

Meanwhile, Co. A kept its title hopes alive by squeezing three points from 3rd ETC to stay within three and one-half points of the leaders. The remaining top six teams remain unchanged with Retired, Co. B and Co. C in that order.

A dazzling performance by Mike Katz propelled the 94-Plus to the four-point victory. Katz notched a 253 game enroute to his first honor roll series in the loop. With his 621, plus handicap, he scored a 668 to become Redstone's representative in the March of Dimes Sweep at Parkway Lanes, next week.

The 88s, who have been colder than the weather during their last three outings, were even colder in their match with Half and Half. Steady bowling by Half and Half spelled the downfall for the 88s as the teams split their match. The loss dropped the 88s to second place, one point behind 94-Plus.

Co. A relied on the clutch bowling of Richard Robinson to squeeze three points from 3rd ETC to remain in contention for the crown. Robinson put together games of 158, 206 and 198 for a 562 series. Ed Kalka kept in the game with a 469 set.

In other action, Co. B white-washed UTC to stay in the number five position. William Kirkpatrick and Al Klaus led the bravo charge

with a 567 and 530 respectively. Mike Hayes led UTC with a 540.

Nike Track, usually on the short end of everything, flexed their muscles and overpowered Nuclear Weapons 4-0. Aaron Davenport shot a 510 and led the Nike run that included a 1,018 game.

Elsewhere, Retired took three from Five Aces, Co. C was a three-point winner over Low Balls, and 200th Ord. drubbed 1st ETC by three points.

Army Boxers Set For Russia Bouts

WASHINGTON (ANF) — Four U. S. Army boxers are competing for berths on the Amateur Athletic Union (AAU)—sponsored team which is slated to fight Soviet amateurs in Russia later this month.

Fighting to represent the U. S. in the AAU matches are Sp5 Willie Hawthorne and Pfc Tommie Lee Roland, Ft. Knox, Ky.; Sp4 Armando Muniz, Ft. Bragg, N.C.; and Sp4 George Coley, Ft. Polk, La. Hawthorne and Muniz beat their Russian opponents last October at the AAU bouts held in Las Vegas, Nev.

Muniz, who won the 1969 AAU "Outstanding Boxer of the Year" award, holds a career record of 52 wins, 22 of which were by knockout.

Hawthorne sports 62 wins in his amateur career.

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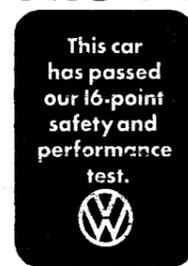
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Provost Marshal, CID Help Crack Theft Cases

An outbreak of thefts, mostly involving auto accessories, that had plagued military officials at Redstone Arsenal for almost a year, has been solved.

Five Redstone soldiers, allegedly involved in arsenal thefts, have been arrested by the Huntsville Police Department and jailed on such charges as grand larceny, buying, receiving and concealing stolen property.

All were stationed with the 522nd Ordnance Detachment.

At first there was no pattern to thefts on the Arsenal, the Provost Marshal's office said. Especially hard hit were parking lots where cars were stripped of tape players and other accessories.

Later, one soldier was seen burglarizing a car. But it took a tip from an alert unit commander, who was suspicious of two of his men, to break the case.

Acting on the unit commander's information, the Provost Marshal's office and the Criminal Investigation Division (CID), launched an intensive investigation that led to the arrest of five soldiers and two girlfriends.

Not only were the soldiers apparently active on Redstone Arsenal, they were reportedly involved throughout Huntsville, CID agents, and Provost Marshal investigators who worked closely with Huntsville City police, said the soldiers may have been involved in 30 or more larcenies in Huntsville.

Since their arrest, parking lot thefts on the arsenal have drop-

ped to nothing, the Provost Marshal said.

Two of the soldiers, who were on orders for Vietnam, were only hours away from boarding a plane when arrested.

To discourage future thefts, the Provost Marshal will have Military surveillance teams watching parking areas at selected hours, day and night.

Hats off to the CID and Provost Marshal's office for a job well done.

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Special Leave Policy Changed

WASHINGTON (ANF) — The Department of the Army has announced a change in the special 30-day leave granted soldiers who voluntarily extend their prescribed tour in the Republic of Vietnam (RVN) and other hostile fire areas in Southeast Asia.

Effective Jan. 22, 1970, an individual must agree, in writing, to serve in a hostile fire area for at least six months (exclusive of leave and travel time) beyond the expiration of a normal 12-month tour before being granted special leave.

An individual scheduled for separation prior to completing a normal 12-month tour must extend, in writing, for the length of time required to serve a minimum 18 months in RVN to be eligible for special leave entitlements. Previous policy required a soldier to complete a minimum of 12 months service in RVN to be eligible for special leave entitlements.

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Mock HUEYS Given

Vietnamization Role

Best Army Newspapers, Magazines Given Honors

WASHINGTON (ANF) — Winners of the 1969 Army Newspaper and Magazine Awards competition have been announced.

Top honors in the letterpress/offset newspaper category went to The Voice, published by Headquarters, First Army, Ft. George G. Meade, Md. The Yukon Sentinel, published by Headquarters, U. S. Army, Alaska, and the Berlin Observer from the U. S. Army, Berlin, provided the closest competition.

The Pers'ian Press from the Military Assistance Advisory Group in Iran won in the multilith newspaper category. The Frankfurter

Forum, Headquarters, U. S. Army Security Agency (USASA), Europe, and Dimension, 10th Psychological Operations Battalion, Vietnam, placed second and third.

The award for the best mimeograph newspaper went to The Guardian, published by the 709th Military Police Battalion in Europe. Second place went to the ASA Leader, a publication of USASA, Southern Command, Ft. Clayton, Canal Zone.

Best magazine award went to Hurricane, published by II Field Force in Vietnam. Runner up was Army in Europe from Headquarters, U. S. Army, Europe and Seventh Army.

Tropic Lightning, a history of the 25th Infantry Division, won the Special Journalistic Achievement award. Army in Europe finished second for its special Germany orientation issue and Veritas, published by Headquarters, John F. Kennedy Center for Military Assistance, Ft. Bragg, N. C., finished third for its John F. Kennedy memorial issue.

Army winners in the newspaper, and magazine categories will be entered in the Department of Defense Thomas Jefferson Awards competition in which winning entries from all services vie for top honors. The Thomas Jefferson Awards competition has a civilian enterprise newspaper category in which the Army will enter the Fort Gordon Rambler.

The first place winner in each category of the Army newspaper and magazine competition receives a mounted certificate signed by the Army chief of staff and the Army chief of information.

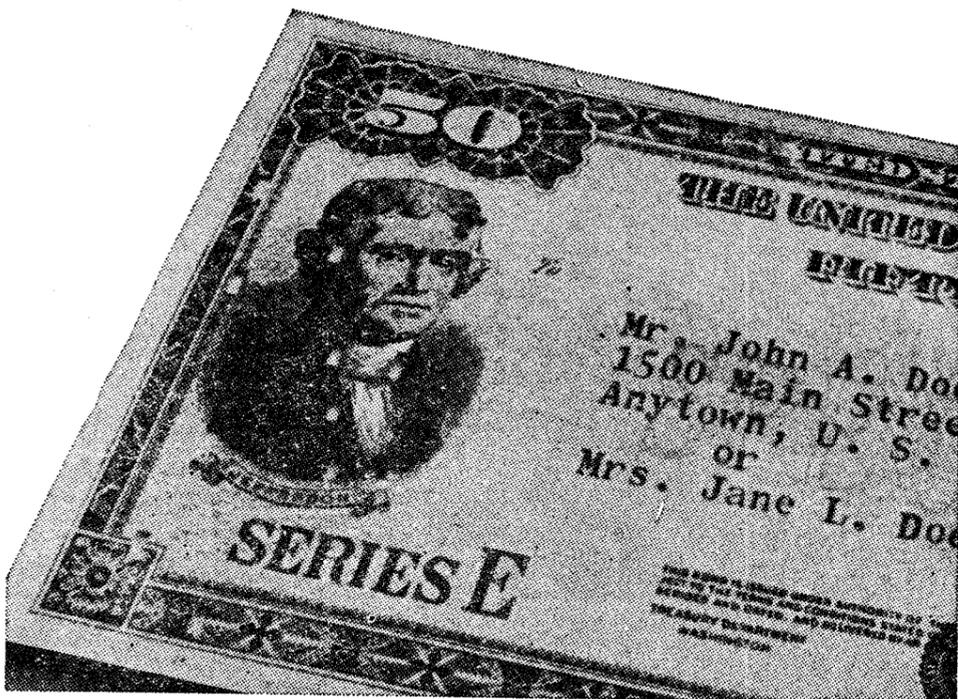
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Construction of seven ground trainer helicopters stems from requirements of a Vietnamization operation known as PACER BRAVO.

The purpose of PACER BRAVO is to enable the Vietnamese to train their own helicopter maintenance personnel. In the past, such training has been in the hands of the U. S. Army and Air Force.

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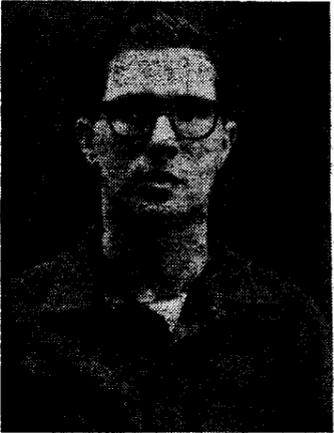
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NAMES IN THE NEWS
 By SFC Ben Casey

The appropriate theme for this week might be "Recognition Week." Medals, letters of commendation, certificates, and awards all went to deserving individuals.



SSG KNIGHT, BRONZE STAR

To head the list of recipients are three men who received medals. SSG Edward L. Knight, Hq. Co. UTC, was presented the Bronze Star. For meritorious service, SP5 John Jung, Jr., Hq. Co. UTC, received the Army Commendation Medal and SGT Raymond W. Ayers, Hq. Co. UTC, received the First Oak Leaf Cluster to the ARCOM.



SP4 JUNG, ARCOM

Awards! Awards! Awards!

Today at the Commandant's Award Ceremony 15 persons were recognized for outstanding performance in their field. The Senior Executive Award for 1969 went to Kenneth E. Carroll, DIT; the Junior Executive Award for 1969 went to Harvey W. Adams, ODNM. Ellen B. Thorn, Ofc of Secy., received the Suggestion Award,

Stanley E. Kreger of the Ofc of Compt was presented the Military Comptrollership Completion Certificate.

Receiving recognition for outstanding performance ratings are: Freddie C. Forrester, ODNM; Carolyn J. Jones, DIT; Virginia H. McMillan, DIT; Charles E. Thornberry, Log.

Ten year Service Certificates and Pins went to Aubrey Farmer, DIT and to Geraldine H. Morgan, Opns.

Charles D. Havens, Opns and Edgar B. Jones each received Sick Leave Conservation Awards.

In addition to the civilian personnel, two officers received medals. The Bronze Star was presented to CPT Edward L. Wiehe, SOC and to 1LT Takenore Nuraoka, DIT. For meritorious service, 1LT Muraoka also received the Army Commendation Medal.



SGT AYERS, OLC to ARCOM

Outstanding Instructors Cited

For the third consecutive time, SSG Robert C. Harris received the outstanding instructor's award at the Air Def. Dept. Plaques indicative of second time recipients went to SSG John E. Speziale, Eugene C. Anderson, and William L. Hill. SFC Kenneth Cockendorf, James M. Jager, Otto W. Olson, Kenneth E. Carpenter, and James F. Robinson all received letters of commendation. Finally, a letter of appreciation went to SFC Lawrence E. Munson.

Promotions

Railroad tracks went to Riechard Bregard, HHC. Reaching the E-6 mark are: Ronald Peterson, David Walker, Warren Williamson, Jimmy King, James Sharp, Douglas Burkemper, Michael Ray and Wayne Morris, all of Co. D. HAWK Div was represented by Daniel



SILVER STAR AWARD—Mr. and Mrs. Ike Harris, Rt. 2, Hillsboro, Ala., and their young son, receive the Silver Star awarded posthumously to PFC Benjamin Harris, who was killed in Vietnam in June 1969. Making the presentation is Col. Preston B. Cannady, Deputy Post Commander of the Army Missile Command. PFC Harris wrote a poem before he was killed that is printed elsewhere.

Vietnam Casualty Leaves Parents Thoughts On War

PFC Benjamin Harris, like most young soldiers thousands of miles from home, was homesick for his native Alabama.

But the Hillsboro native had some lofty ideals about duty, and honor to his country, and helping his fellow man.

Once, during a lull in the action, young Harris put some of his thoughts on paper, in the poem entitled, "I Will Never Forget." The poem was returned to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ike Harris, Rt. 2, Hillsboro, Ala., among his personal possessions.

PFC Harris was killed while on a combat mission in Vietnam in June 1969.

Penned on a crude piece of cardboard, the poem was shown to Col. Preston B. Cannady, Deputy Post Commander of the Army Missile Command. The Colonel had traveled to Hillsboro to present the Silver Star to Mr. and Mrs. Harris, awarded posthumously to their son by the Department of Army.

This is the poem:
"I WILL NEVER FORGET"
 I will never forget that lonesome day
 when I packed to get on my way
 To that faraway foreign land

Couolo Darrell Dean, Stephen Hammons and Phillip Teeter. Achieving NCO status, to E-5, were: John A. Alderman, Patrick H. Dauphinee. Larry Cutleff, Raymond Davis, Robert Spout, Gerald Crabtree, Danial Rodd, William E Galvin, Henry Clark, Ronald R. McLaughlin, and Gerrell North. SP4 Richard Christal of Co. C received his present rank from COL N. L. Holland at a surprise presentation at DIT.

Distinguished Graduate

SP6 Jimmy King, Co. D, captured second place in the Third U. S. Army Noncommissioned Officers Academy's Class 10 graduation.

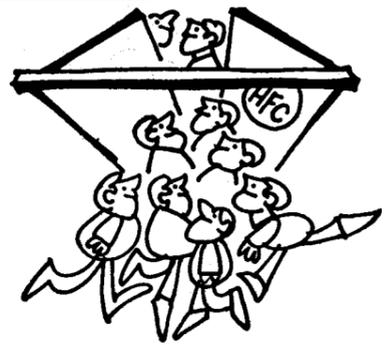
New Arrivals

MMCS's new officers are anxiously awaiting to begin their duties. They are Maj. Robert E. Vanlandingham, CW4 Fleming Butler, CPT William L. Tremble, and CW3 Edward White. The School's new NCOs are CSM Clyde Riker, UTC; SFC J. H. Sand, DIT and SFC C. L. Anderson, DIT.

put up a fight
 Because it is our life many of us give
 that the unfree people may live
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 Lets fight the war and work as brothers.
 When we return home having fun
 All of us can say we have a job well done."
 The poem was signed:
 PFC Benjamin Harris
 Co. D, 3d Bn., 39th Inf.

to give the Vietnamese a helping hand
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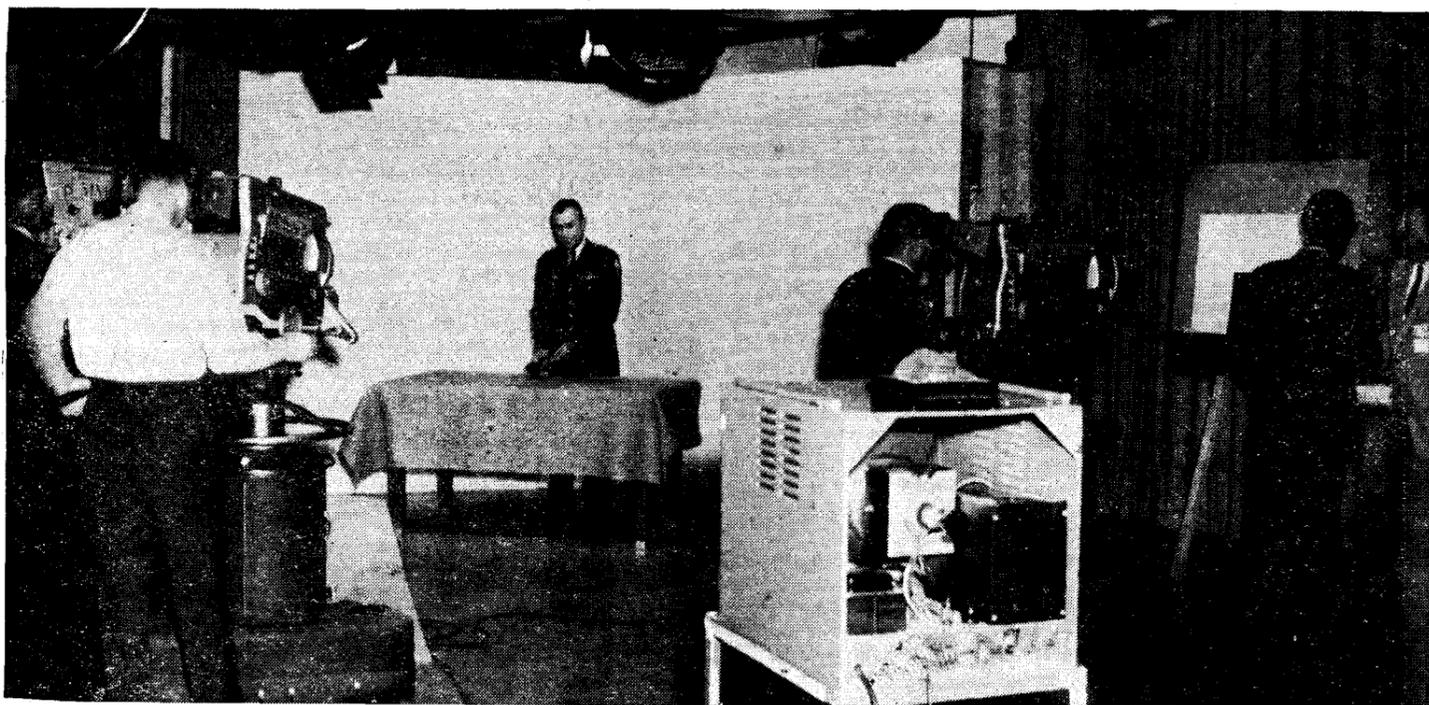
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B. D. HERBERT

Thiokol Changes Two Managers

John H. Goodloe, vice president and general manager, Thiokol Chemical Corporation—Huntsville Division, has announced a realignment of management responsibilities at the Huntsville Division. Effective March 1, B. D. Her-



LIGHTS! CAMERA! ACTION!—That's the order of the day as students of the TV Applications course at the Army Missile and Munitions Center and School prepared a take of their demonstra-

tion video tape on the assembly and disassembly of the Cal. 45 pistol. Students of the course operate the cameras, serve as directors and floor managers during a practical studio exercise.

bert, now Director Project Management, will become Director Finance and Administration, replacing H. L. Speake. Speake has resigned to enter private practice in the law partnership of Speake and Speake in Moulton, Ala.

C. C. Lee, currently director marketing, will become director projects and marketing, combining the project management and marketing responsibilities in one directorate.

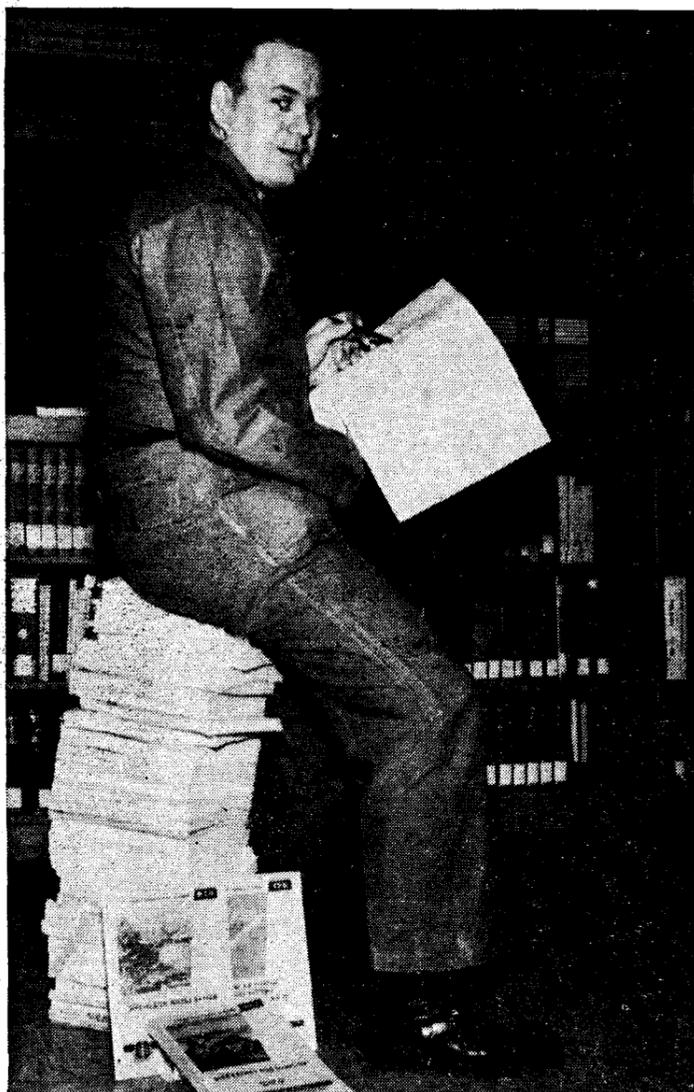
SERVICE CLUB

Enlisted men will have the opportunity to visit Cathedral Caverns Saturday aboard a bus sponsored by the Redstone Arsenal Service Club. Pre-registration is required so that the planners can provide enough lunch for a picnic.

Tani's troupe will be at the Club Sunday night at 8 p.m., featuring Sula, a Turkish dancer. Other numbers will be presented by the Melodaires, folk singers, and the Golden Girls, jazz dancers.



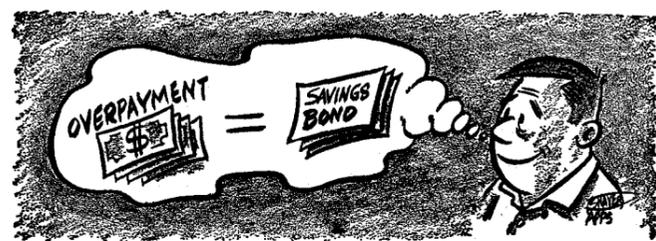
C. C. LEE



SUBCOURSES SEAT SGT. SCHOLASTICALLY—In his 12 years service, SSG Arland Rounds has taken approximately 200 subcourses both from the MMCS's Non-Resident Instruction Department and from the United States Armed Forces Institute. All the courses have helped him in the performance of his duties as instructor in Microwave. In his words, "I have taken courses to be able to remain 'on top of any situation' that I face." His future plans include not only continuing the extension courses but also taking courses at the University of Alabama at Huntsville. According to Rounds, his enthusiasm for education is prompted by his desire for understanding. "No matter what course I take, my prime goal is understanding."

The VA says permanently and totally disabled veterans are eligible for grants up to \$12,500 for the construction, remodeling or adaptation of homes.

Feb. 3—Dateline 1943—Four Army chaplains — two Protestants, one Catholic and one Jewish — drowned after giving their life preservers so others might be saved from a torpedoed troop ship.



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Career Studies Being Pursued By Employees

Twenty-two Department of Army civilians and three officers are away from their regular duties this week and for periods of up to six months while they pursue career development training courses at government schools, contractor plants and leading colleges located in nine states.

The local personnel were selected for the courses of study under the Missile Command's career development program administered by the Training and Development Division of Civilian Personnel.

The largest single group of Arsenal civilians left for Ft. Lee, Va., for study at the Army Logistic Management Center. Seven locals are enrolled there in three different classes.

Melvin Tack and Edwin Roe (S&M) will spend two weeks studying ADP Systems and Logistics Management while Walton Hayes (Sergeant) will be at Ft. Lee until mid-June for the Logistics Executive Development course.

Completing the Ft. Lee contingent are, Col. R. P. Hazzard (Per-shing), Charles Cockrell (SAM-D), Col. Morris Pettit (Hercules) and LTC Robert Loshbough (ADCAT). They are attending the Project Management Procurement Seminar this week.

Three others are in Rock Island, Ill., this week for classes at the Army Management Engineering Training Agency.

Billy Harbin (SAFSCOM) is en-

rolled for Financial Management, William Huskinson (S&M) is taking Operations Research, and Charles Sparks (Metrology) is attending the Seminar for Middle Managers. The first two will be there for one week while Sparks will spend two weeks at Rock Island.

Francis Hart (I&S) is spending two weeks at the AMC Field Systems Safety, and James Lucas (Chaparral) is studying Radiological Safety for the same period at the Army Chemical Center and School Ft. McClellan, Ala.

James Edgar (S&M) began a course of study at the Army Missile and Munitions Center and School this week that will extend throughout mid-August. It is the Land Combat Systems Test Specialist course.

Kay Derrick (ABMDA) and W. F. Fitzpatrick (Shillelagh) are in Ohio for two weeks to study Contract Law at the School of Systems and

Logistics, Wright-Patterson AF Base.

Kelly Prady (P&P) is in Kingsport, N. Y., for Environment of Federal Operations with the Civil Service Commission, and Patsy May (P&P) went to Atlanta for Government Contract Negotiations with the General Services Administration.

A group of five locals are in Norman, Okla., this week for the Seminar in Problems in Motivation at the University of Oklahoma.

They are, Earl Edmondson (Shillelagh), George Hendrix (Admin), Ernest Williams (P&P), Sammie Hardy (Lance) and Walter Tribble (SAFSCOM).

Completing the list for the week are three MICOM civilians who are at the LTV Aerospace Corp., Warren, Mich., for the Lance Staff Planners Course. They are Harold VanderVeen (DASO), Roy Bauman (Gen Counsel), and Aubrey Anderson (LCSS).



COLONEL BUDD HONORED — Lt. Col. Gene W. Budd, who retired last week from active military duty, was awarded the Legion of Merit in ceremonies at Redstone Arsenal. Making the presentation was Maj. Gen. Edwin I. Donley, Commanding General of the Army Missile Command. Among assignments at the Missile Command, Col. Budd served as Director of the Missile Intelligence Directorate and more recently as Secretary of the General Staff.



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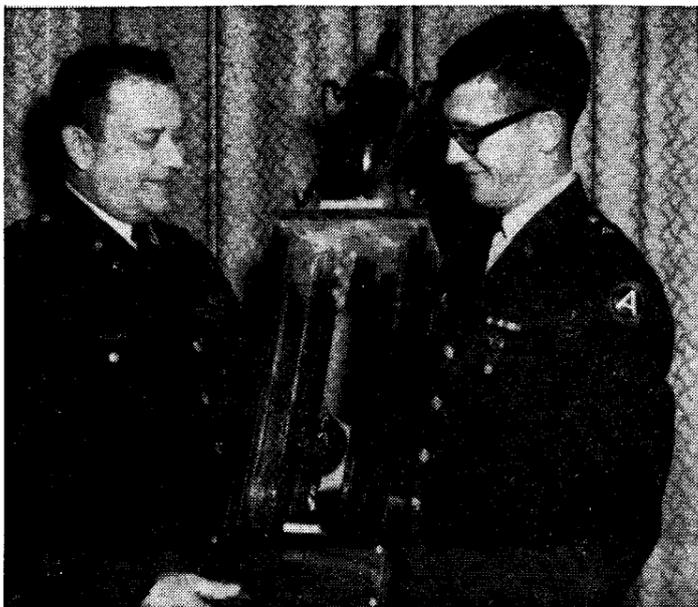
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Civil Service Announces Open Season On Insurance

An open season for regular and optional life insurance—with a reduction in premiums for the more than 300,000 employees and annuitants who carry the \$10,000 optional life insurance, but no change in premium rates for regular insurance—was announced recently by the U.S. Civil Service Commission.

The open season will be held during the entire month of March 1970, and the new premium rates for optional life insurance will become effective at the beginning of the first pay period in April 1970.

Premium rates for the \$10,000 optional life insurance are based on the employee's age group, whereas the cost to the employee for regular insurance remains constant at 27½¢ per \$1,000 of insurance per biweekly pay period regardless of the employee's age. Present and new rates for the \$10,000 of optional life insurance are shown in the accompanying table. The new 7-step premium sched-

ule was adopted after consultation with the Employees Life Insurance Committee, employee organizations, and Federal agency representatives.

Meantime, the Commission said, premium increases for optional insurance, scheduled to be adjusted in January 1970 for employees who reached ages 35 or 55 in 1969, will be postponed until April 1970, at which time premium rates will be lower. In view of the pending reduction in rates, the Commission urged employees who are considering canceling their optional insurance at the end of this month to reconsider on the basis of the new premiums. Present premium rates will be continued through March 1970.

During the open season in March 1970, any eligible employee (but not an annuitant) who has waived his regular life insurance will be given an opportunity to cancel the waiver and obtain the regular

Age Group	Present Biweekly Premium	New Biweekly Premium	Present Monthly Premium	New Monthly Premium
Under 35	\$ 3.00	\$ 1.30	\$ 6.50	\$ 2.82
35-39	6.00	1.70	13.00	3.68
40-44	6.00	2.40	13.00	5.20
45-49	6.00	3.60	13.00	7.80
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The Data Systems Division of Litton Industries will donate annually \$2,400 in savings bonds (worth \$3,200 at maturity) to be divided equally among recipients.

Awards will be presented to winning cadets by the Army chief of staff at the Commanders Conference each year, beginning in fiscal year 1971.

life insurance without evidence that he is in good health. Similarly, any employee who has regular insurance but who declined to take the optional insurance will be given an opportunity to elect the optional insurance without evidence of good health.

Automatic Coverage
Eligible employees are automatically covered for regular life insurance unless they have specifically stated in writing that they do not want the insurance. The cost of the regular insurance is shared by the employee, who pays two-thirds, and the Government, which pays one-third of the premium. The amount of regular life insurance coverage approximates an employee's annual salary plus \$2,000, with a minimum of \$10,000 of insurance for those earning \$8,000 or less. The maximum amount of regular insurance coverage is \$45,000.

The Commission's decision to reduce the rates followed a study which indicated that premiums for the optional insurance have largely wiped out the deficit created by benefits paid on account of employees who died during the first four months after the optional insurance program was enacted in 1966. Many of those employees were not required to pay premiums during the first 4-month period.

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Dentists Agree Brush After Eating, Cut Down On Sweets; Prevent Decay

(This is the fourth in a series of four articles on dental health published by the Redstone Rocket, in cooperation with the Arsenal Dental Clinic, in observance of National Children's Dental Health Week, February 1-7.)

Even though my family sees the dentist regularly, it seems that we all have some decay, especially the children. Isn't there some way we can prevent decay between dental visits?

With modern techniques, most decay can be prevented. But this disease is mankind's most widespread health problem. It is estimated that more than 90 per cent of the people have decay.

One of the most effective weapons against decay, or dental caries, is fluoridation. Thousands of studies have confirmed that fluoridation effectively prevents up to 60 per cent of decay. Fluoridation at recommended levels is completely safe.

Diet can play a part too. Most people in this modern age eat far too many sweets, and sweets are a factor in dental decay. Simply, sugars activate the bacteria in the

mouth, which in turn are responsible for formation of decay-causing acids. So, it is important to brush your teeth, especially after eating sweets, and to cut down on your sugar intake whenever possible.

Basically, then, there are several methods of preventing decay or reducing the amount and se-

verity. Fluoridation of the drinking water remains the most effective preventive yet known. Brushing the teeth immediately after eating and cutting down on sweets will also help prevent decay. Regular visits to the dentist will permit your dentist to treat any beginning decay before it becomes a serious problem.



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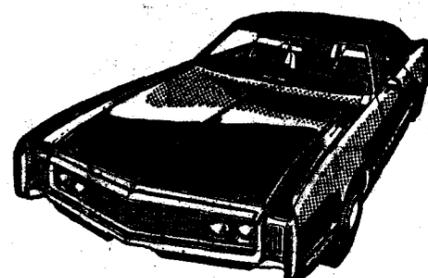
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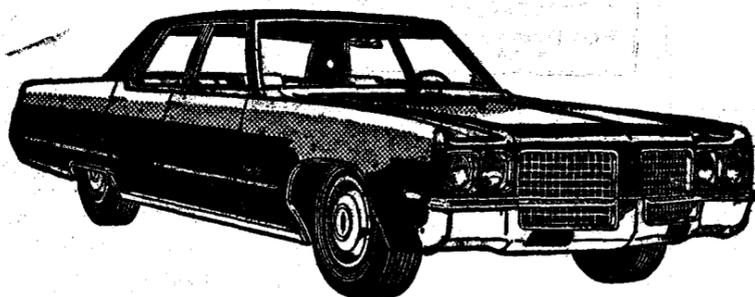
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Federal Women Seek Charter For Organization

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Membership is open to federally employed men and women interested in fostering positive action to end discrimination in government because of the sex of an employee. Eligibility depends on current federal employment or less than one year since termination of federal employment.

Arlita Martin, the Federal Women's Program coordinator at the Army Missile Command, has application forms available for anyone interested in becoming a member of the organization which meets five times a year. Approximately 45 names have been submitted to national on the application for charter.

Other objectives the organization is trying to reach are: increasing job opportunities for women both in industry and the federal government, and furthering the potential skills of women in all areas of the labor market. They will also promote the use of the "merit" system in government employment; and they will assist employees or applicants for employment who feel discriminated against because of sex of the individual.

The local organization will cooperate with other local and national organizations and individuals concerned with equal opportunity.

FEW is a non profit organization. Dues are spent on promoting the Federal Women's Program, locally and at the national level. National keeps the member organizations abreast of legislative action pertaining to support of the program. The local is responsible for implementing projects pertaining to this area.

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7.75-15					2.19
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