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Dr. McDaniel Directs Research & Engineering

Dr. John L. McDaniel has become the first civilian to head the Army rocket and missile research and development here since 1960 when Dr. Wernher von Braun was transferred to the Marshall Space Flight Center.

The U. S. Army Missile Command has announced that Dr. McDaniel has been named director of its Research and Engineering Directorate. He has been acting in this capacity since last September.

The R&E Directorate is the Missile Command's window into tomorrow. Its highly skilled personnel, experts in the complex disciplines of missile and rocket technology, are at work on the ideas, components and techniques required for future Army weapons systems.

This so-called "in-house" research and development work also provides the Army with a broad base of competence to better evaluate complex technical proposals submitted by industrial contractors.

Similarly, the knowledge of the Army R&E experts is applied in partnership with industry in solving problems that may occur during weapon system development and investigating the feasibility of future systems.

Dr. McDaniel, a native of Guin, Alabama, began his career in Federal Service in 1942 with the Army Chemical Corps. at the Huntsville Arsenal. Following active service with the Navy he returned at the end of World War II.

With a background of chemistry and electronics, Dr. McDaniel began his rocket and missile career as an aeronautical research engineer. His years at Redstone have been marked by promotions with increased responsibility. He had



DR. JOHN L. McDANIEL

been Technical Director of the R&E Directorate since 1962.

In addition to numerous local awards for outstanding performance, Dr. McDaniel has received the Army Research and Development Achievement Award, the Meritorious Civilian Service Award, the Decoration for Exceptional Civilian Service, and the Department of Defense Distinguished Civilian Service Award. He was conferred an honorary doctor of science degree by Auburn University in December, 1968.

He is married to the former Helen Blankenship from Priceville, Ala. They have five children, Nancy, the wife of an aerospace engineer at Cape Kennedy; John, studying mechanical engineering at Auburn University; Bonnie, taking a pre-medical course at the University of Alabama; Mark, the athlete of the family and a senior at Madison Academy; and Willy at Huntsville Junior High School.

Nominating Committee For Civilian Welfare Fund Council Named

The nominating committee for the Civilian Welfare Fund Council coming up soon has been named.

Lewis Ellenberg, Metrology and Calibration Center, Missile Command is the chairman with Harry Black, Research and Engineering Directorate, Calvin Thames, Army Missile and Munitions Center and School, Rene Mood, Safeguard Systems Command, Sylvia Weyandt, Support Operations Directorate, Rheba Phillips, Management Information Systems, and Robert Robinson, Procurement and Production Directorate serving as members.

The representatives elected will serve for two years. Two will be selected from the Arsenal Support Operations, one from Research and Engineering, one from Safeguard, one from Metrology and Calibration and one from Management Information Systems.

Time's A-Wastin' On AUSA Bargain

Time is running out for new members to join the Association of the U.S. Army or current members to renew membership before dues advance April 1.

Current membership rates are \$6.00 for one year and \$16.00 for three years. The rates after April 1 will be \$7.50 for one year and \$20.00 for three.

A 1970 membership campaign for the Tennessee Valley Chapter is now being conducted to permit interested persons the opportunity of taking advantage of the lower rate. Col. Eugene J. McGinnis, Chief of Staff, is chairman for the Army Missile Command. Co-chairman is Lee R. Jones, Missile Command Inspector General's Office.

All primary organizational elements of the Missile Command have been asked to name a general chairman and executive chairman. These persons must turn in all applications to Jones (AMSMI-H, Telephone 876-3641) by tomorrow in order to allow time to complete administrative processing and mailing by March 31.

Service Set At Sunrise On Easter

Easter Sunrise Service at Redstone Arsenal will mark the 18th annual observance on post, the 25th sponsored by the Greater Huntsville Ministerial Association.

Scheduled at 6 a.m. Sunday morning, the Bulter High School Choir and the 55th Army Band will furnish the music. Accompanist for the choir will be Annise Arrington and director is Carolyn Park. CWO DeWitt Mytinger heads the band.

The Rocket Nursery will open its doors at 5:30 a.m. to tots who have reservations so their parents can attend the service.

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Vacancies In Arizona And St. Louis Agencies

There are approximately 275 civilian personnel vacancies at the U.S. Army Strategic Communications Command, Fort Huachuca, Ariz., and the Automated Logistics

(Detailed Lists on Page 3)

Maintenance Support Agency, St. Louis, Mo.

In keeping with previous announced policy of the Army Missile Command to assist in every possible way to lighten the impact of the recently directed reduction in force, the Civilian Personnel Office has contacted these two organizations regarding their vacancies.

A detailed list by job title, series, grade and number of positions for each will be found on Page 3

of today's issue of The Redstone Rocket.

Any person who is qualified, available and sincerely interested in being considered for one of these vacancies should call the Civilian Personnel Office, Telephone Nos. 876-7835, 876-7510 or 876-8080, prior to April 1, for further information concerning an application.

Those who are available for lateral transfer will be given first consideration.

When a local list of interested and available personnel is compiled, both the Army Strategic Communications Command and the Automated Logistics Maintenance Support Agency will send representatives to the Missile Command for personal interviews with persons interested in available vacancies.

Research & Engineering Topics To Be Examined

Gen. Ferdinand J. Chesarek planned a working visit to the Army Missile Command today for an in-depth look at the Command's research and engineering activities.

The Commanding General of the Army Materiel Command was scheduled to arrive at Redstone at 10 a.m. to begin a schedule which included visits to seven of the Missile Command R&E laboratories. He was to see a TOW missile test during the afternoon at Range 1.

He has also planned a personal examination of R&E activities at other major AMC commodity commands.

Maj. Gen. Edwin I. Donley, Missile Command commanding general, and Dr. John L. McDaniel, director of R&E, were to accompany

Gen. Chesarek and participate in discussions and briefings which were keyed to present information on the R&E laboratories role in both future and current missile systems.

Morning meetings were to be held in Command headquarters. During the afternoon, Gen. Chesarek's schedule calls for stops at the McMorrow Laboratories, the Propulsion Laboratory and the Test & Reliability Evaluation Lab.

In examining specific programs and work underway in the McMorrow Labs, Gen. Chesarek was to be briefed by Jess B. Huff, William J. Lindberg, Will A. Lewis, Dr. William McCorkle and William C. Watson. Frank W. James was to present the propulsion laboratory portion of the program and Wilborn P. Lloyd activities of the Test and Reliability Evaluation Laboratory.

During the morning session, Carl A. Pinyerd, deputy Pershing project, was scheduled to discuss his project's view of the support received from Missile Command R&E elements. Edward B. Dobbins was to present the Army Missile Plan, a Missile Command developed plan relating requirements, technology and resources to present and future missile systems.

Gen. Chesarek planned to depart tomorrow morning after spending the night here.

This is his third visit to Redstone in the year since he assumed command of AMC.

Moon Rock On Display In Lobby Of Bldg. 5250

A small moon rock, picked up by the Apollo 11 crew which landed on the moon last July, was scheduled to go on display this morning in the lobby of Building 5250.

The rock, about the size of a walnut, will be on display from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. today, tomorrow and Friday. It is inside a sealed case but can be viewed through a transparent cylinder.

The display is being provided by the Marshall Space Flight Center. It will be guarded at all times and will be locked in a vault during non-display hours.



THROUGH THE KEYHOLE—The photographer tells a complete story in this peek-a-boo shot of James H. Holland, a Post Engineer employee for more than 21 years. For details see story on Page 11.

The Redstone Rocket

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Rocket Ruminations

Every man feels instinctively that all the beautiful sentiments in the world weigh less than a single lovely action.

—James Russell Lowell



EDITORIAL

Dignity And Worth

Our nation was founded on the principle that the individual has infinite dignity and worth. The Department of Defense must always be guided by this principle. In all that we do, we must show respect for the serviceman and civilian employe as a person, recognizing his individual needs, aspirations and capabilities.

The defense of the nation requires a well-trained force, military and civilian, regular and reserve. To provide such a force we must increase the attractiveness of a career in Defense so that the serviceman and the civilian employe will feel the highest pride in himself and work, in the uniform and the military profession.

The attainment of these goals requires that we strive to help each man in uniform bridge the transition from service activity to civilian life.

The Department of Defense is fully aware that the manner in which an individual is treated throughout his years in the service and, particularly as he nears the end of his career in uniform—is part of the positive attitude-building that can and must be generated by the leaders of and within the military services.

This is part of the reason for such programs as:

Project Transition, primarily for the first-termer who needs to learn a civilian job skill.

Project Referral, a program to assist men retiring from the military in finding jobs in civilian life.

Project MEDIHC, presently a pilot program in Texas that may eventually include all the states, and which is designed to fit medically-qualified servicemen into civilian health agency jobs.

Project Memo, a program to help separating servicemen establish contact with a college or university.

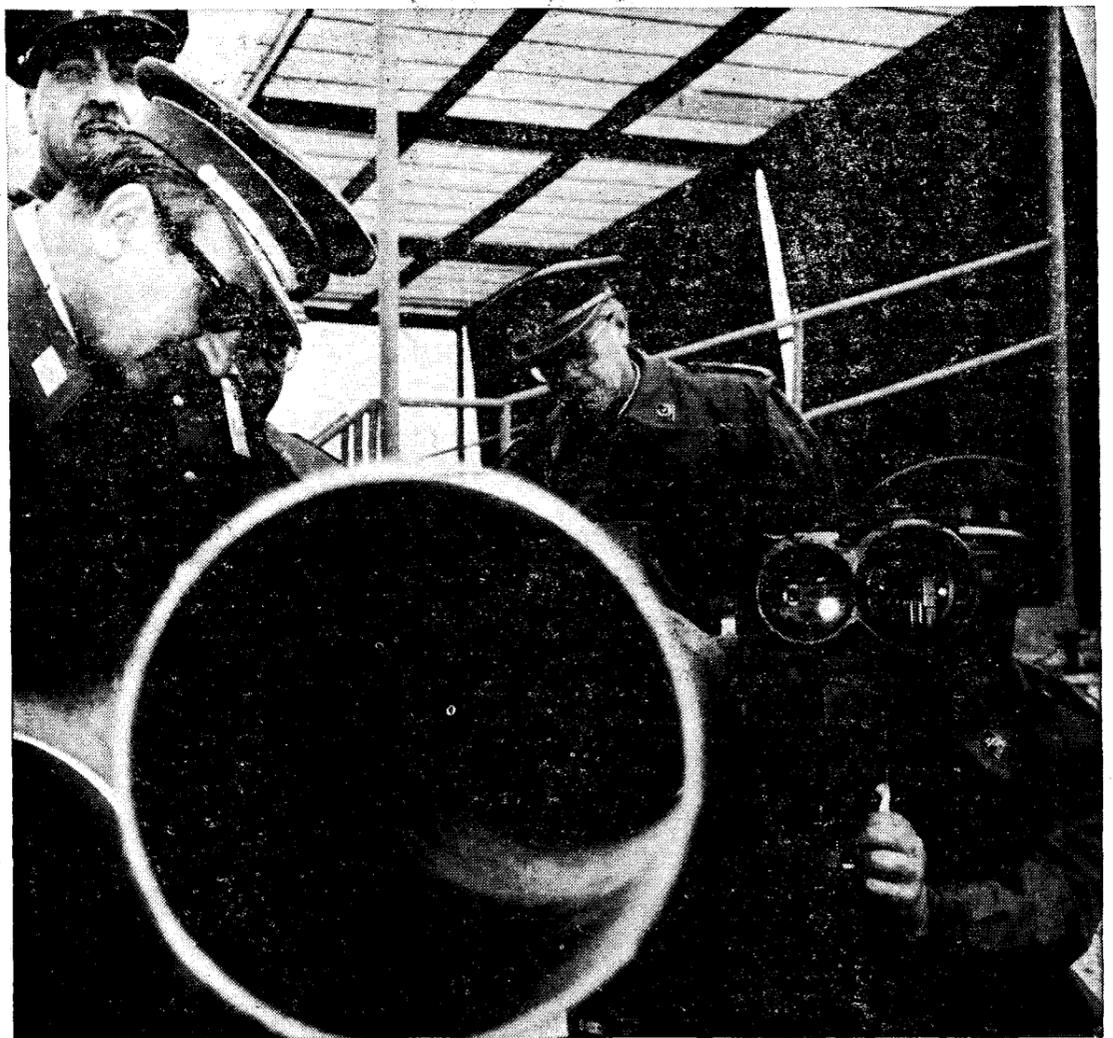
The list goes on and on: early-out programs, to allow for seasonal occupations and school attendance, to include vocational schools; special police and fireman recruiting programs, rehabilitation assistance, and, perhaps the most important of all, the GI Bill.

The United States Government recognizes that when a veteran has served his country well, it is only right that the government provide the veteran with educational benefits designed to assist him in meeting the challenge of the civilian community.

But, that is possible only when the departing serviceman—whether he is retiring or leaving after his first-hitch—completes the bond between what the program has to offer and the results of his efforts.

The foundation for returning to civilian life has been laid by the government. It is up to each individual to determine what he is prepared to contribute toward that foundation.

(AFPS)



SPANISH OFFICERS INSPECT TOW—Brig. Gen. Luis Serena Guiscafre, (dark glasses), Secretary of Spanish Army Central General Staff, and members of his party inspect a TOW launcher during their recent visit to the U.S. Army Missile Command. While here, they saw a TOW missile score a direct hit on a moving target.

SUNRISE

(Continued From Page 1)

Dr. H. P. Snodgrass, president of the Association and pastor at the First Baptist Church in Huntsville, named Rev. John Rutland, Trinity Methodist Church, as chairman for the Sunrise Service.

Participants in the program will include Rev. Michael O'Donahue of Holy Spirit, Donald Caperton, First Cumberland Presbyterian;

Rev. Charles E. Lee, First Assembly of God; and Chaplain (Col.) Robert F. Mashburn, Post Chaplain.

The Services will be held behind the Post Chapel which is

reached most easily through Gate 10 on Patton Road. The 291st Military Police will have traffic controllers to help Easter worshippers park their cars, and keep traffic moving.

Defense Budget At Rock Bottom

WASHINGTON (AFPS) — The Defense budget for Fiscal Year 1971 is "at the borderline of acceptable military risk," according to General Earl G. Wheeler, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

Gen. Wheeler made the statement before a joint session of the Senate Armed Services Committee and the Senate Sub-committee on Defense Appropriations. He said the Joint Chiefs agree that the budget represents a rock-bottom figure and could not be trimmed "without the United States accepting a substantial lessening in our military ability to meet our current global commitments."

The Joint Chiefs of Staff were active participants in the Administration's decision process which formulated the budget recommendations, Gen. Wheeler said. They believe Defense goals within the recommended fiscal limitations are sound.

"This does not mean that the Joint Chiefs . . . expect our defense requirements to remain static," Gen. Wheeler said. "As Secretary Laird has stated, Defense planning is in a process of transition."

The general said "we are moving in an orderly way" toward national security policies appropriate for the 1970s.

Navy To Expand Traffic Safety Plan

WASHINGTON (AFPS) — The Navy plans to expand its at sea traffic safety program to include every ship returning from the Western Pacific.

The program was started in 1966 when California highway patrolman began lecturing Navy men aboard some ships just before they reached port.

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Recreation Specialist (Arts & Crafts)	GS-188-7	1
Recreation Specialist (General)	GS-188-7	1
Recreation Specialist (Youth Activities)	GS-188-10	1
Staffing Assistant	GS-203-7	1
Optical Data Equipment Operator	GS-301-3	1
Optical Data Equipment Operator	GS-301-4	2
Quality Control Clerk	GS-301-5	1
Program Control Clerk	GS-301-6	1
Clerk-Typing	GS-301-6	1
Clerk-Typing	GS-301-4	2
Equal Employment Opportunity Officer	GS-301-12	1
Mail & File Clerk	GS-305-4	1
Clerk-Steno	GS-312-4	4
Clerk-Steno	GS-312-5	1
Secretary-Steno	GS-318-7	1
Secretary-Steno	GS-318-6	7
Secretary-Steno	GS-318-5	4
Clerk Typist	GS-322-3	3
Clerk-Typist	GS-322-4	1
Computer Systems Administrator	GS-330-15	1
Computer Systems Administrator	GS-330-14	2
Computer Operator	GS-322-5	1
Computer Specialists	GS-334-11	3
Computer Programmers	GS-334-11	4
Computer Programmer	GS-334-9	1
Computer Systems Analyst	GS-334-11	1
Computer Specialists	GS-334-12	11
Computer Systems Analyst	GS-334-12	1
Computer Specialists	GS-334-13	2
Computer Systems Specialist	GS-334-13	1
Computer Systems Analyst	GS-334-14	1
Computer Specialist	GS-334-15	2
Sup Management Analyst	GS-343-12	1
Management Analyst (Manpower)	GS-343-12	2
Management Technician	GS-344-9	1
Computer Aide	GS-335-5	1
Program Analyst	GS-345-9	3
Program Analyst	GS-345-11	1
Program Analyst	GS-345-12	1
Program Analyst	GS-345-13	1
Card Punch Operator	GS-356-2 or 3	3
EAM Operator	GS-359-3	2
Telephone Operator	GS-382-3	1
Communications Specialist	GS-393-11	11
Communications Specialist	GS-393-12	9
Communications Specialist	GS-393-13	3
Communications Specialist	GS-393-14	1
Management Agronomist	GS-471-11	1
Accounts Maintenance Clerk	GS-520-4	1
Accounting Technician	GS-525-5	1
Cash Clerk Typing	GS-530-4	1
Sup Cashier	GS-530-7	1
Voucher Examiner	GS-540-3	1
Clinical Nurse	GS-610-6	2
General Engineer	GS-801-12	1
Engineering Technician (Drafting)	GS-802-9	1
Architect	GS-808-12	1
Civil Engineer	GS-810-12	1
Mechanical Engineer	GS-830-13	1
Electronic Engineer	GS-855-11	10
Electronic Engineer	GS-855-12	9
Electronic Engineer	GS-855-13	11
Sup Electronic Engineer	GS-855-13	3
Sup Electronic Engineer	GS-855-14	1
Electronic Technician	GS-856-9	1
Electronic Technician	GS-856-11	3
Museum & Historical Officer	GS-1001-11	1
Office Draftsman	GS-1021-05	1
Public Information Specialist	GS-1081-11	1
Writer/Editor	GS-1082-7	1
Technical Publications Writer (Engr)	GS-1083-11	3
Technical Writer/Editor	GS-1083-12	1
Visual Information Specialist	GS-1084-7	1
Assistant Mess Officer	GS-1101-9	1
Physicist	GS-1310-12	1
Tech Info Specialist (Engr)	GS-1412-12	1
Operations Research Analyst	GS-1515-12	1
Operations Research Analyst	GS-1515-14	1
Mathematician	GS-1520-12	1
Mathematician	GS-1520-13	3
Statistical Assistant	GS-1531-5	1
Equipment Specialist	GS-1670-11	1
Training Instr (Electronics)	GS-1712-11	1
General Supply Specialist	GS-2001-7	1
Supply Mgt Representative	GS-2003-11	1
Supply Mgt Representative	GS-2003-12	1
Supply Clerk	GS-2005-3	1
Supply Clerk Supervisory	GS-2005-7	1
Inventory Management Specialist	GS-2010-9	1
Inventory Management Specialist	GS-2010-11	3
Supply Clerk	GS-2040-4	1
Freight Rate Assistant	GS-2131-6	1
Travel Clerk	GS-2132-4	1
Electronic Equipment Maker, Installer & Repairer	WG-2614-12	2
Tool, Die & Gage Maker	WG-3416-13	1
Pipefitter Helper	WG-4204-5	1
Plumber	WG-4206-9	1
Offset Press Operator	WG-4417-8	1
Bowling Alley Equipment Repairer	WG-4801-7	1
Refrigeration & Air Conditioning Mechanic	WG-5306-9	1
Operating Engineer Steam	WG-5402-10	2
Meatcutter	WG-7407-8	1

Automated Logistics Maintenance Support Agency St. Louis, Missouri

Title	Series & Grade	No. of Pos.
Supply Systems Analyst	GS-2003-12	6
Systems Accountant	GS-510-9 to 12	3
Writer-Editor	GS-1082-9	1
Security Officer	GS-808-9 or 11	1
Historian	GS-170-9 or 11	1
Computer Programmer	GS-334-9 to 12	*
Computer Systems Analyst	GS-334-9 to 12	*
Computer Specialist	GS-334-9 to 12	*
Computer Technician	GS-335-5 to 8	*
Computer Operator	GS-334-5 to 8	*
Card Punch Operator	GS-356-3	*

*These vacancies total About 60.

Two Retirement Programs Available To Employees

Recently, two retirement programs were initiated which individuals working for the Government at the Missile Command could utilize if they so desired.

One program, called discontinued service with immediate annuities, permits retirement by those who are age 50 and have 20 years of creditable service, or have 25 years of service regardless of age.

The other is a trial retirement program for those who are eligible to retire at age 62 with five years of creditable service, age 60 with 20 years, and age 55 with 30 years. Under this plan, personnel may return to their jobs after one year if they choose to do so.

Lester Himes, head of Retired Activities in the Civilian Personnel Office, reports that during March, nine employees have elected to accept discontinued service retirement.

Under the trial retirement plan, seven have completed action to enter the program.

Under other continuing retirement programs, 12 have chosen optional retirement, 27 were given disability retirements, and one retired because of age, during this calendar year.

However, under these and the other continuing retirement programs, the Retirement Activities office has counseled 99 in groups and 21 individuals on trial retirement, 41 on discontinued service, 32 on disability, and six on optional retirement during this month.

The initial results of a survey of employees eligible for discontinued service annuity show that 172 are considering retirement and want additional information, and 22 indicated they are considering retirement.

Himes can be reached at 876-3902, Building T-3158.

Center Holds Calibration Courses Here

The U.S. Army Metrology and Calibration Center at Redstone Arsenal was host to 25 representatives of Army calibration facilities being trained to operate and maintain new equipment.

These representatives will cross train people at the facilities they represent. James Miller of the Field Operations Division, set up the course and served as an instructor along with Robert Jervis, Dave Blue and Bob Peterson.

The students met in the Physical Standards Laboratory at the Center to study the new pressure equipment which includes barometers, manometers and dead weight testers.

People attended from three locations in Europe, seven support depots in the U.S., the Pacific, and local personnel involved in handling the equipment.

Want Ads Get Results

EXPO 70 FLIGHT STILL HAS SPACE

Space is still available on Redstone Recreation Association's Flight to Japan and Expo 70 leaving Huntsville, July 23 and returning Aug. 15, according to Rex Luna, the trip coordinator.

Explaining that recent publicity on Expo 70 has increased the number of requests for seats on the charter aircraft, Luna advises persons going on the trip to mail in their deposits without delay. Seats will be reserved on the usual first-come-first-served basis.

The tour itinerary includes stops in Nikko, Kamakura, Hakone, Atami, Kyoto, Nara, Beppu, Hiroshima, and Osaka—the site of Expo 70, the first World's Fair ever held in the Orient.

Air transportation, hotel, tour fees, land transportation, and airport transfers all are included in the price of \$900 per person, based on a maximum of 200 passengers.

Information about the Japan trip, and membership in RRA, is available by calling 539-2592 during the day, and 852-6103 after 5.

Written inquiries can be made to Redstone Recreation Association; P.O. Box 1541, West Station, Huntsville, Alabama 35807.

Diabetics To Hear Thompson Talk

A meeting of the Huntsville Lay Diabetes Society will be held Thursday, March 26, at 7:30 p.m. in Room 325 of the Madison County Courthouse.

Aubrey Thompson will discuss the various tests used in detecting and diagnosing diabetes, as well as tests which may be made by the diabetes patient at home to determine the effectiveness of his diet and medications.

Thompson is the laboratory and X-ray technician for Dr. James Jackson as well as a laboratory technician at one of the local hospitals. His educational background includes the University of Tennessee and Madison College of Nashville, Tenn., Yerba Buena Clinic School of Medical Technology at Chapas, S. Mexico and Oakwood College of Huntsville.

ECOM Director Honored

Dr. Robert S. Wiseman, Director of Laboratories at AMC's Electronics Command, has been elected a Fellow of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE). Honored by the IEEE for his significant contribution in developing night vision devices for the nation's armed forces, Dr. Wiseman has previously received the highest DOD and DA awards than can be bestowed upon a civilian employee. These night vision devices are employed widely by US forces in Vietnam and are considered major items in saving the lives of US fighting men.

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Officers Wives See Pants-Dominated Show

Fashion shows at the Redstone Officers Open Mess always bring out more Officers Wives Club members and guests than any other program and last week was no exception.

Surroundings on St. Patrick's Day were naturally shamrock green with leprechaun hats strewn among the lunch tables, accented with streamers of ivy kept fresh in Irish potatoes. The wives of Safeguard System Command officers were in charge of the arrangements.

The fashion show was presented by Pizitz—an array of pant suits that covered a girl's activities from dawn until dawn—if she has that much energy. Some of them had mini-skirts for events where skirts are still considered a must.

Materials included synthetics, linens and cottons—many of them in knitwear that travels well and washes well with no need of a travel iron to keep it neat.

A navy linen pant suit in a tailored style was enlivened at the throat with a tie-draped scarf and completed with a saucy straw in navy, a crisp and neat effect. At the opposite extreme was a soft, permanently pleated jumpsuit for evening with wide legs and the filmy flow of chiffon. The latter was girdled with a buckle of brilliants, the neckline draped.

Costume suits were much in evidence with long coats over chemise dresses, some with spaghetti straps, others sleeveless or short sleeved.

Lots of beads were hung and chains in countless combinations. Scarves added a dash of color in both patterned and monotoned outfits and came in numerous shapes and sizes, serving as drapes, head bands or accents.

An aqua and navy dress sported a tunnel waistline as did several other items shown.

Broad brimmed hats topped suits, dresses and pant suits. Colors described didn't always match the color the spotlight showed.

AVE MARIA GROTTO

The Service Club has scheduled a tour of Ave Maria Grotto for Saturday, March 28.

This tour of the Grotto will be of special interest at Easter time having been built by Brother Joseph Zoetti, a Benedictine monk of St. Bernard Abbey.

Located on the campus of St. Bernard College, Ave Maria Grotto is sometimes known as the Little Jerusalem. The beautifully landscaped four acre park is designed to provide a natural setting for the 125 historic buildings and shrines of the Holy Land.

The tour bus will leave the Ser-



CONTRAST—Pants for girls are topped in crisp fashion of the tailor or soft coats of the dressmaker. The tennis costume is a polyester knit. Color and stark white, stripes and powerfully bright



prints are good again this season. Almost everything calls for a scarf. These are some of the outfits exhibited at the Officers Wives Club fashion show on St. Patrick's Day.

Theatre Schedule

WEDNESDAY, March 25—"Valley of the Dolls"(GP)

THURSDAY-FRIDAY, March 26-27—"Age of Consent"(R)
INCREASED ADMISSION: adults: 50c, children 25c

SATURDAY, March 28—"War of the Gargantuas"(G)

SUNDAY-MONDAY, March 29-30—"The Lion in Winter"(GP)

INCREASED ADMISSION: adults 75c, children 25c

TUESDAY, March 31—"God Forgives—I Don't!"(GP)

Two shows nightly at 6:00 and 8:30 pm. Sunday matinee at 2:00 p.m.

vice Club at 11 o'clock and return at approximately 4 o'clock.

Art Classes Will Begin

The Huntsville Community Center will have an organizational meeting March 30 at 7 p.m. for the Spring art classes to be taught by Phil Andrews, Missile Command illustrator, at the Big Springs Community Center.

Prospective and continuing students will be welcomed. In addition to outlining the curriculum for the season, Andrews will present color slides taken in Mexico City and other Mexican towns.

The schedule as it now stands: acrylic painting on Monday nights from 7-10 p.m. Figure drawing on Tuesdays, same hours, and transparent watercolor classes from 9 a.m. until noon on Saturdays. Acrylics classes begin April 6, figure drawing on March 31, and watercolors on April 4.

Classes are informal and no grades are given. All classes are

Toastmistresses Meet At Open Mess

Members of the Redstone Toastmistress Club held their luncheon meeting in the Pershing Room of the Redstone Officers' Open Mess on March 18. The invocation was given by Mrs. Gordon Setterlund, followed by the pledge of allegiance to the flag, led by Mrs. Montie Burgess.

Serving as Toastmistress was Mrs. Garner Sims. She presented Miss Marjorie Rieves, Mrs. Mary

open to beginners and advanced students. Further information can be obtained from Andrews at home, 837-0667, or at the Studio, 536-3657.

Ealy, Mrs. Melvin Kilgore, and Mrs. Ruth Price, who gave autobiographies, and Mrs. Dorothy Mann, an extemporaneous speech. Mrs. Kilgore was voted best speaker. Topicmistress for the program was Mrs. William McMullen. Mrs. Gaston Boyd was voted the best topic speaker.

Speech evaluators were Mrs. Houston C. Adams and Mrs. W. W. Seward. Mrs. M. G. Gibbons and Mrs. M. W. Wilkie served as tellers, Miss Helen Nixon as timer, and Mrs. Clyde W. Miller as grammarian.

Mrs. R. M. Coulter, president of the Huntsville Toastmistress Club was a guest at the meeting, and also served as general evaluator of the program.

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More About How A Reduction In Force Works

Editor's Note: The following information is extracted from chapter 351 of the Federal Personnel Manual, and is reproduced here for the information of civilian personnel.

COMPETITIVE LEVEL

a. General principles. Another essential step in the plan for reduction in force is to determine for each competitive area the types of jobs in which employees will compete with each other for retention in the first-round competition.

These are the jobs so similar in all important respects that the agency readily can move an employee from one to another without significant training and without unduly interrupting the work program. These jobs constitute the competitive level for first-round competition.

A level may consist of only one job when that job is so nearly unique that it is not interchangeable with similar jobs. Characteristics shared by all positions in a competitive level are similarity of duties, responsibilities, pay schedule, and terms of appointment; and similarity of requirements for experience, training, skills, and aptitudes.

Some of these characteristics are easily determined; sound determination on others may require careful judgment. Questions that may require study are:

(1) Do the positions require the same basic experience and training?

(2) Do the positions require the same skills and aptitudes?

(3) How long would it take an employee with experience in one position to reach a level of satisfactory performance in another?

(4) How much time can be allowed for meeting satisfactory performance standards without causing serious harm to the organization's work program?

ESTABLISHING LEVELS

(1) Job requirements. When subparagraphs a(1) and (2) are answered yes, there is no arbitrary or predetermined amount of training beyond which undue interruption of the work program would result. Each judgment should anticipate the effect on the program under the circumstances that will exist when reduction in force occurs.

When an agency considers the effect of qualifications on the composition of a competitive level, its concern is not with the incumbent's qualifications, but with those required by the job's duties and responsibilities as stated in the official job description.

For example, the agency readily might move a GS-3 typist trained in shorthand to a GS-3 stenographer position. Typist qualifications,

however, are not stenographer qualifications, so GS-3 typist positions and GS-3 stenographer positions are in different competitive levels.

For another example, some of the duties assigned to an employee in a trainee position or a position in a formally designated developmental program may be similar if not completely identical to those assigned to employees in regular positions. Nevertheless, trainee positions or developmental positions are in different competitive levels from regular positions because the qualifications required for assignment to them are different. Positions are in the same competitive level only when they require substantially the same knowledge, technique, and know how, to get the work done satisfactorily. Therefore, the laws, orders, rules, regulations, policies, or procedures the employee applies in carrying out the duties of the position must be considered. Among competitive positions different competitive levels are indicated for positions with different examination requirements or with selective certification requirements.

Positions, however, are not placed necessarily in the same level because they are filled from the same examination without selective certification. Separate levels may be indicated because the knowledge, technique, and know how acquired on the job may be distinctive enough to keep the agency from readily moving employees from one job to another.

JOB TITLES

Similarity of job titles is not conclusive in determining the composition of competitive levels. Sometimes employees with the same generic job title and similar statements of duties and responsibilities cannot be moved readily to each other's jobs because they are in different specialized fields. It is proper to establish separate levels according to specialized fields for those fields that have significant recruiting or training differences. For example, under the title Materials Engineer, the jobs Materials Engineer (Plastics) and Materials Engineer (Metals) are not interchangeable. Likewise, under the title Electrician, the jobs Electrician (Elevator) and Electrician (House Wiring) are not interchangeable.

SEX

An agency may not assign positions to competitive levels on the basis of sex of the incumbents, except in those positions for which restriction of certification of eligibles by sex is found justified by the Commission.

RECORDS

An agency must keep a record of all competitive levels in a com-



MULE GOES ARMY—To promote interest in the West Point Preparatory School, Fort Belvoir, Virginia, among soldiers at the U.S. Army Missile and Munitions Center and School at Redstone Arsenal, Ala., CPTs Arthur H. Swisher and James W. Holmes "induct" a symbol of the United States Military Academy (USMA), one of the few surviving mules in North Alabama. The U.S. Military Academy is urgently seeking soldier-students who can obtain a free education and help the Army preserve its link between officers and enlisted men. CPT Swisher of the 8th ETC (Phone 876-4329) will discuss details with any interested applicants.

petitive area. Every position in the area must be assigned to a competitive level, and the record must show clearly all positions in each level. The record should be reviewed and, when needed, brought up to date when reduction in force is expected. The record and the dates of changes in levels must be available for inspection by the Commission and by employees.

SEPARATE COMPETITIVE LEVELS REQUIRED

Positions that seem so similar that they otherwise might seem interchangeable and thus be in the same level must be in different levels when the positions vary by one important factor. An agency has no discretion in establishing levels in this situation. Competitive positions and excepted positions must be in different levels. (The term excepted positions is de-

finied as jobs for which the Civil Service Commission does not conduct open, competitive examinations.) Excepted positions must be in different levels. Among either excepted or competitive positions

an agency must establish different levels for positions: (1) under different pay schedules, (2) filled on a seasonal basis, (3) filled on a part-time basis, (4) filled on an intermittent basis.

Girl Scouts Celebrate

Ten Redstone Arsenal Girl Scout troops participated in the South Madison Association exposition at The Mall Saturday, in observance of the 58th birthday month of Girl Scouting.

The exhibit's theme, "To know—To Care—To Be Involved," emphasized service to others, a major concern of today's Girl Scouts.

Redstone's ten Girl Scout troops represent all four age levels in Girl Scouting: three Brownie troops; five Junior troops; one Cadette troop and one Senior troop.

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Army Civilians Suffer Twin Basketball Loss

Marshall Stars Outlast CWF Champions For Title

Army civilians won most of the battles but the Marshall Center came out first in the war when the MARS Downtowners captured the All-Redstone basketball championship with an 88-85 win over Finance Accounting in the final round their three-day tournament last week.

The only survivor of a first round Army coup, the Downtowners followed up their 80-51 conquest of Missile Intelligence with a 87-65 conquest of Engineering QA to reach the final contest.

The Accountants opened the tourney at Evangel School whipping the MARS Bombers and ICO made it two in a row for the Army with a come-from-behind, 51-48 victory over the Scramblers.

After the MID loss QA staged another closing rush to gain a 64-61 decision over the Fireballers.

In the first semi-final contest, F&A led all the way to defeat ICO, 80-62. The all-Army consolation contest saw ICO outscore QA, 76-68.

It was the second NASA win in the four years that the meet has been held. A military team won the first tourney and a CWF entry took the 1968 meet.

After falling behind early in the final contest, the Army champions fought a valiant up-hill battle and finally tied the count at 83-83 with less than two minutes to play.

Their big chance came seconds later when a player possession foul was called on one of the Downtowners. The Accountants called time out and decided to hold onto the ball and play for the last shot.

The strategy worked for about 40 seconds before Dick Beranek intercepted a pass and quickly fed a pass to Gary Arnett on the fast break. Arnett canned the layup and added a free throw for a three-point MARS lead.

Jim Bunnell cut the lead to one point again with a long onehander but Coley Kellett got the two points right back by hitting both ends of a one-and-one situation as the game ended.

The Downtowners were out front at each of the period breaks and twice during the contest built their margin to nine points. Each time the Accountants came back with a flurry of their own but were never able to get the lead.

Tom Morris canned five layups and Don Donald hit four one-handers at the NASA team jumped off to a 28-23 first period lead. Greg Bogue netted five of six outside shots and added a foul for almost half of the F&A points.

The red-hot Bogue made it 10 out of 11 with five in a row as the Accountants cut their deficit to a single goal at the half. Only six straight foul conversions by Morris kept the Downtowners ahead.

Gary Arnett took over the scoring pace at the outset of the second half and the Downtowners clamped a tighter rein on Bogue limiting him to four shots in building their lead to six points, 69-63.

NASA slowed the game down in the final period, working the ball around for the sure shot while picking up fouls against the anxious Accountants. John Reppert hit three goals, and Bogue, Elliott Agee and Bunnell added a pair of

two-pointers apiece as F&A fought back and finally tied the count only to fall behind for the final count.

Arnett took scoring honors for the winners with 26 points, one more than Morris, and Donald scored in double figures with 14.

Bogue completed a fantastic shooting average by hitting 15 of 19 shots from the field for a 31-point performance. Reppert collected 22 in addition to providing rebounding strength against the much taller opposition. Agee and Bunnell scorer 13 apiece for F&A.

Five of the players in the final game captured half of the spots on the tournament all-star team named by the tourney officials. Arnett, Morris and Paul Kendrick were named from the winning MARS entry while Bogue and Reppert scored 13 apiece for F&A.

Don Wood, of QA, Jerry Mullinax, the ICO ace, and Phil Shepherd, of MID, were other Army players selected along with Ron Toelle and Bob Junkins from the other three NASA contenders.

Civilian Athletes Turn To Softball

With the CWF basketball season now a part of history, the Arsenal's civilian athletes are ready to turn their attention and after hour energy to softball.

The Civilian Welfare Fund has completed plans for honoring the cage stars with their annual awards banquet and at the same time scheduled a preliminary meeting to draw up plans for the softball campaign.

The banquet will be held at the NCO Open Mess on Friday evening, April 10. Joe Clark, the league president, said that all players and league officials are invited to attend the affair. He said that tickets will be \$3 for singles or \$5.50 for couples.

Trophies will be passed out at the banquet for the regular season and the post season tournament, both of which were won by the Finance and Accounting Center. The Army trophies for the All-Redstone will also be presented.

Charley Sneed, who headed the softball league last summer, called for the organizational meeting on Tuesday, April 7, starting at 4:45 p.m. in Room A-115 of Building 5250.

Officers will be elected for the season and preliminary plans will be formulated.

Sneed said that it is important that all teams from last year be represented at the meeting as well as any new units that may be planning to field a team.

Season Ends With Overtime Thriller

The curtain fell on the Arsenal round ball season last Saturday much to the chagrin of the Army civilians who would like nothing more than one last crack at their Marshall Center adversaries.

For the second time in less than a week the Army was forced to swallow a defeat after a valiant up hill fight when MARS took a 110-104 overtime victory in the first annual All-Star game at the Big Springs Community Center.

Defeat in the All Star game was an especially bitter blow for the Army cagers who apparently had the game well under control half-way through the final period.

After trailing throughout the first half and well into the third quarter, the CWF stars mounted a rally that carried them to an eight-point bulge with a little over three minutes to go.

Greg Bogue sparked the comeback with half of his 20 points crowded into a three-minute spree. Don Wood, Elliott Agee, Jim Bunnell and George Starkey added a pair of goals apiece and the latter hit five free throws without a miss as the Army stars threatened to blow the game wide open.

But MARS changed to a pressing man for man defense forcing the Army into several floor mistakes and with their own fast break working to perfection, regained the lead, 93-91, 15 seconds from the end.

Dave Arnett hit the goal that put MARS in front and Agee matched it with a long one-hander as the horn sounded to send the game into overtime.

Bogue opened the extra period with a one-hander and Gary Arnett returned the favor and then added a foul to put MARS back in the lead. From there on out the NASA stars displayed their foul shooting proficiency by counting on ten of eleven tries to wrap up the contest. Woolsey Finnell hit six straight and Bob Junkins was perfect in three attempts.

Gary Arnett hit 13 field goals and added seven free shots to take scoring honors with 33 points while Bogue was high for the Army with 20.

Junkin and Dave Arnett collected 15 apiece for the winners while Don Wood was right behind Bogue with 18. Jerry Mullinax and Starky collected 13 apiece for the Army stars.

Savings Stamp Sales Are To End June 30

WASHINGTON (AFPS) — The sale of United States Savings Stamps will be discontinued by the Department of the Treasury, effective June 30, 1970.

Savings Stamps were a popular vehicle for saving during World War II and have been sold primarily through School Savings Programs during the post-war years. However, administrative costs have risen sharply and participation has not increased in recent years, and as a result, it has been concluded that the program should be discontinued.

While Savings Stamps will no longer be on sale after June 30, fully or partially completed albums may be used to purchase Savings Bonds at banks or may be redeemed for cash at post offices.

Old Bowlers Don't Retire They Just Keep Striking

Comp Center Faces Hot Stretch Run

The Comp Center Mixed league race has heated up again with both the Lucky Strikes and the Main Frames within shooting distance of the pace setting North Alabama College of Commerce and four weeks left on the league schedule.

The Bedell Florists delivered the latest blow to the season-long leaders with a 3-1 setback last week. The runner up Strikes took advantage of the opportunity to move within a point and a half of the top by shutting out the Gutter Dusters.

The Main Frames moved to within four points of NACC by winning three out of four from the Skonks. The Alley Oops took the Sparer and the Whiskers defeated the Jesters, both by 3-1 margins, in other league action.

The McCormacks had the big hand in the Lucky Strike surge again with Ray regaining the family superiority over Rita, 579 to 522.

Hal Richards shot a 526 and Mac Morgan turned in a 4-6-7-9-10 split for the Alley Oops and Larry Spradley fired a 525 in the losing Jester effort.

MIDIots Move Up In RSA Standings

Twelve quintets battled through three games seeking to enhance their standing in the RSA Officers bowling last week but only one of them was able to move up.

The lone gainer was the MIDIots, a shutout winner over the D-Squares. The four-for-four sweep enabled the MIDIots to move ahead one notch to ninth place.

Tommy Thompson was primarily responsible for the shutout win by churning out a 575 series.

About the only spectacular development of the week was the 961 scratch game rolled by the Five Splits. It was the best game that has been rolled in the league this year.

Seven bowlers reached the double century mark in single games. They were: Jim Simmons, 228; Tommy Thompson, 216; George Stewart, 216; Henry Mattern, 211; Jim Pruett, 208; Ray DeBolt, 206; and Jerry Keefe, 202.

Retired, like the Phoenix rose from the ashes to take a one and one-half point lead in the School Brigade Bowling League last week.

The rise to the top began with a three-point win over the 88s two weeks ago and was capped by completely humiliating Co. B.

While Retired was running through the best of them, the 88s were being beaten by Co. B, and Co. C and the 94-Plus were having troubles winning from the small teams.

Retired scored the league's highest games and series in beating Co. B. The loop leaders scored an 1136 handicap, 997 scratch and posted a handicap series of 3098. Larry Mankanani hit his fifth honor roll series in the loop posting a 642 on games of 211, 194 and 237. His 237 was high for the night. George Umlor and Horace Jackson added a pair of 500 sets that spelled doom for Co. B who was kept in the contest by William Kirkpatrick and Bobby Shaw.

Chuck Butler came out of deep freeze against the 88s to lead his Chargin' Charlie quint to a three point win over the one time leaders. Butler scored a 550 on a 232 game. Stan Baker, the 88s most consistent bowler, posted a 536 in a losing cause.

Jerry Loyd spearheaded a 260th Ord. Det. comeback that derailed 94-Plus. The detachment swept three points from 94-Plus that sent the headquarters quint to third place. Loyd hit the pins for a 533 and a 218 game. Mike Katz scored for 94-Plus, hitting a 545.

Co. A took over the fourth place spot in the loop posting a three point win over 522d Ord. Ed Gorzynski led a trio of 500-plus bowlers for Co. A. Gorzynski hit the deck for 523 while his teammates Buddy Creek and George Mitchell hit a 513 and 511 respectively.

Elsewhere around the loop Jim Morris posted a 532 to lead Nike Track to a four point shellacking of 1st ETC. A pair of 500 series enabled UTC to scuttle Low Balls. Mike Hayes hit the second highest series, a 575, to lead the charge and Art Brochu hit for 528. Rick Maestas scored for Low Balls. 3rd ETC and Nuclear Weapons split its match and Steve Horvath's 556 led Five Aces to a three point win over Half 'n' Half.

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DEPENDENTS POST INFORMATION DAYS

"Dependents Post Information Days" will be held on Wednesday, April 8, and Thursday, April 9, at the Post Chapel Social Room. The program will be from 9 a.m. until noon.

Speakers attending the Information Days will be from the Post Chapel, Staff Judge Advocate, American Red Cross, Post Housing, Military Personnel Division, Post Hospital, Post Transportation, Finance and Accounting, Provost Marshal Division, and the Army Community Service, Retirement Services Office. All military dependents in the Redstone area are urged to attend. The program will help each one learn more about the Post and its facilities.

For further information call 876-8957 ACS Office.

Bandit Power Too Much For Rivals

The championship hopes of the Bandits in the AMC-Civilian Welfare bowling league are taking on a brighter shade by the week and are just about to blind the chances of their rivals.

The Metrology Lab gang stretched their margin to a full seven points last week by winning all four from the Jokers while the runner up Voyagers were being held to a split by the Metro-Cals.

John Goltz was once more the Bandit leader with a 589 that boosted his season long average to 185. John Callahan continued his late surge with a 553 and Willie Wiggins chipped in with 541.

The Voyagers took their lead from Joe Brewer whose 587 total included a 228 game, and Carl Morrison who ended with 555. Harry Yager equalled the latter pinfall for the Voyagers.

Bill Brazelton captured bowler of the week honors with a 596 in guiding the Raiders into third with a 3-1 win over the T-Birds. Brazelton had a 220 game in his string and Butch McDougal helped the cause with a 551 while Dick Gill destroyed 541 sticks for the Birds.

The Alley Cats followed the lead of Karl Bayer for a sweep over the All-Sports, the Bombers blanked the Lancers and the Wonnors took all four from the Avengers. In the latter duel Les Thomas hit a 221 game and a 544 total for the winners while Gene Ashley dropped 544 pins and Bob Taylor hit for 541 in the losing cause.

The Travellers won three from the Tigers as Jim Watts upended 545 maples and the Rejectors won three points and split another in their scrap with the Sprinters.

In the latter match Chuck Mount chopped down 566 pins and the Sprinters prevented a sweep with a 1048-1048 tie in the final game.

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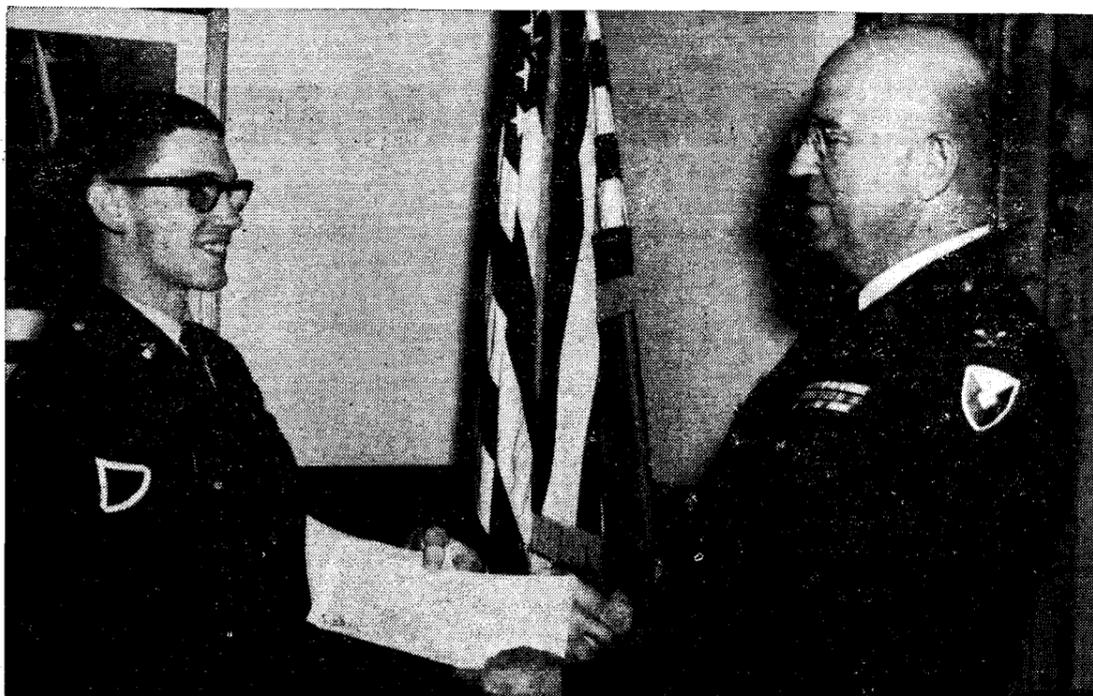
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SOLDIER OF THE MONTH—PFC Bruce Barham, receives certificate of recognition from Col. Mac D. Hendricks, Deputy Director, DASO. Barham, assigned to the 7th ETC—the no-AWOL unit—is attending the Light Air Defense System Electronic Repairman course.



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NAMES IN THE NEWS

By SFC Ben Casey

An old familiar face will soon disappear from Bldg. 3300. His name? Well, he has many, just depends on to whom you are speaking.

To his adversaries on the maples he's a tiger, a sandbagger, a pro, or Mr. Big "8". To new arrivals, he is a homesteader, having been here since 1964; to Co. C, he is probably Mr. Kingpin, having led Co. C to five championships in the School Brigade Bowling League.



SFC BUTLER
29 Years Service

Regardless of what you chose to call him, he will be missed at MMCS. SFC Charles D. Butler, Co. C, will retire after 29 years service at the end of this month. As mentioned earlier, he has been here since 1964, and as NCOIC of the Office of Secretary, he has "trained" nine school secretaries during his tour. SFC Butler is one of the most cheerful persons this writer has had the pleasure of knowing. It was quite evident at his farewell coffee at the headquarters that SFC Butler would also miss the many friends at Redstone. Good luck, SFC Butler, on your future endeavors.

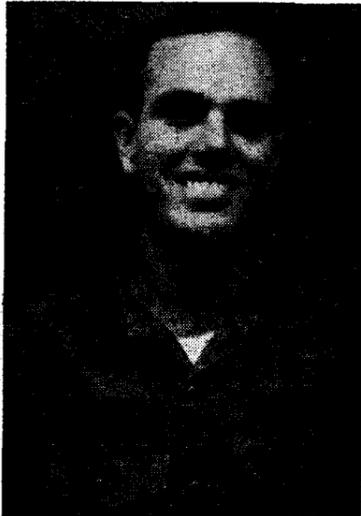
AWARDS CEREMONIES

Eleven persons were honored in the Commandant's Office last week. On the military side of the ledger CWO Flemming G. Butler, Opns., received the Meritorious Service Medal from the 32d Army Air Defense Command, Europe. Other military awards, all Army Commendation Medals, went to: CPT Donald A. Gibson, SOC, (32d Army Air Defense Command); CW2 Owen D. Manley, UTC (8th Army); and CW2 William Stephens, DIT (Vietnam). Civilian employees were also honored. Sick Leave Conservation Certificate—Edgar B. Jones, Ofc. of Opns., accumulated 2058 hours of sick leave. Missile Maintenance Officer Correspondence Course Completion Certificate—James Morris, DIT, completed 300 hours. Outstanding Performance Rating—Robert H. Blessing, Ofc. of Opns.; Virginia McMillan and James B. Rasburry, DIT; Dan E. Stapler, Compt.; and Linwood L. Varney, Log.

At the 1st Battalion ceremony, two additional awards were presented. The Army Commendation Medal was presented to SFC Clyde

L. Anderson, Co. B, for meritorious service while serving in Vietnam and a Letter of Commendation and Plaque was received by SP4 Paul F. Witt, Co. C, the Battalion Soldier of the Month for March.

**MMCS SOLDIER OF
THE MONTH**



PFC MICHAEL L. BAKER

A student in the Nike Radar and Computer Repair course has been

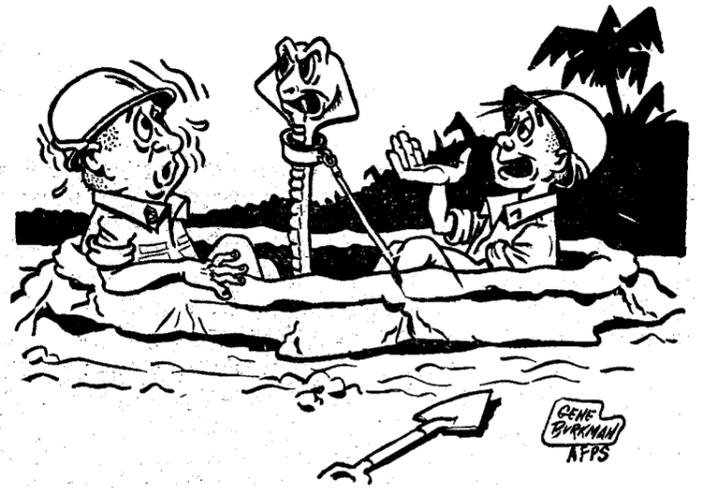
named MMCS Soldier of the Month for March. PFC Michael L. Baker, of Anchorage, Alaska, was selected by a board of Senior Noncommissioned Officers as the school's sharpest of the sharpies. Baker attended University of California at Los Angeles prior to entering the service. Baker will compete with the top soldiers from MICOM for Redstone Arsenal Soldier of the Month. The 23-year old soldier is currently assigned to 7th ETC, the no AWOL unit.

COMMANDANT'S AIDE



LT. BLOUNT
Protocol Officer

Second Lt. Jerry L. Blount, has been named to replace 2LT James Field as the Commandant's Administrative-Protocol Officer. LT Field is scheduled for reassignment to Thailand in the near future. LT Blount comes to the school from



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the Engineer OCS at Ft. Belvoir, Va. He attended the University of Mississippi and worked as a commercial pilot and flight instructor in Pascagoula, Miss. Lt Blount has just completed the Missile Maintenance Officer Course at the School. He is married, and his wife, Sherry, is from Tallassee, Ala.

WELCOME

A warm welcome is extended to those who have joined the staff of this global training center. Joining the elite this week were: SFC

Ernest Leatherwood, instructor in Pulse Radar; SFC Daniel Everhart, Security Division, SFC Merle Hoffman, Transportation Branch of Log. and MSG Carl Davis, Reenlistment Office.

THIRD ARMY AWARDS

Third U.S. Army has announced that former members of this command have received the Army Commendation Medal. Those receiving the award were: SFC James Rector, SFC Jonathan Spencer, MSG David B. Oliver and MSG Charles W. Brooks.

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Dr. Fike took his undergraduate studies at Ohio Wesleyan and completed his medical studies at Western Reserve University in Cleve-

land, then joined the staff as an intern at the Cleveland Metropolitan General Hospital, where he completed part of his residency in internal medicine.

Upon entering active duty he completed his residency at Madigan General Hospital, Ft. Lewis, Wash.

In addition to outpatient duties, he and Dr. Stephen S. Cox, the other internist on the staff, are responsible for all medical patients admitted to the hospital and run a census of approximately 12 hospital patients per day.

Only two doctors are assigned to the area, so like the other doctors, they have many patients and not enough hours in the day. An average work day includes duty at the hospital or clinic—plus being on call every other night for medical emergencies plus regular medical officer of the day duty and regular hospital rounds.

Dr. Fike feels that there is a desperate need for more doctors or fewer patients.

The doctor is a native of Hamilton, Ohio, near Cincinnati. His relaxation is diversified. Sometimes he paints with oils. On good days he plays golf, and sometimes he gets out the rod and reel to seek his peace and catch a fish or two.



CONSULTATION—SP4 David Lay, Headquarters and Headquarters, Army Missile Command, seeks the services of Dr. John A. Fike, chief of internal medicine at the Redstone Arsenal Medical Department. (Fourth in a series).

COMMENDATION MEDALS

The Army has awarded a First Oak Leaf Cluster to the Army Commendation Medal earned by Lt. Col. Neil W. Schrack.

Army Commendation Medals have been presented to SFC Frederick G. Helmer, 1st Lt. Alden D. Holford, 2d Lt. Richard E. Parker, 2d Lt. David L. Myers, Capt. Jon A. Peterka, Capt. Michael W. Bauer, Capt. William E. Gelhaar, and 1st Lt. Eric J. Lundquist.



PLANNING—The annual "Night on Bourbon Street" sponsored by the Redstone Officers Wives Club to support some of the club's charitable activities will be an event of Apr. 25 at the Redstone Officers Open Mess. Mrs. Edward M. Dooley is the honorary chairman and Mrs. Robert Pearce (right) is the executive chairman for the event. On the davenport (left to right) are Mrs. James W. Ferguson, tickets; Mrs. James O. Sammons, publicity; and Mrs. Bates Vurnell, prizes. Happenings begin at 6:30 p.m., dinner at 8. Dick Lewis's combo will play for dancing.

VC 'SOUVENIRS' ARE DANGEROUS

WASHINGTON (AFPS) — Beware—the life you take may not be your own. That, in essence, is the caustic warning given American servicemen in the Republic of Vietnam who are bringing or mailing "souvenirs" back to the United States.

ter Sergeant Frank M. Smith emphasized, "The Viet Cong transform anything into weapons." Tin cans, watches, and metal tubes filled with glass or rocks are just some of the many lethal products of the VC ingenuity and imagination.

MSgt. Smith of Salt Lake, Utah, is one of several airmen at Tan Son Nhut who fight this "imagination" as members of the base's explosive ordnance disposal team.

Besides disposing of "souvenirs" found or placed on the air base, the unit has a mobile team that flies throughout the country to dispose of explosives at remote sites.

"The majority of our calls involve removing sabotage devices and picking up grenades and we take all kinds of ordnance out of personal baggage during customs inspections," said Senior Master Sergeant Willard D. Hudson of Springhill, La.

"Our biggest problems there are grenades, 40mm shells and small arms rounds. The people want to take them back home," he said.

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1LT and Mrs. Ross D. Reager, boy, Gregory Ross, Mar. 13;
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 SP5 and Mrs. Willie Eddie Battle, girl, Alicia; and PVT and Mrs. Randall L. McElhattan, girl, Brook Ann, Mar. 17;
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Recalling his 21 years as a locksmith on Redstone, Holland chuckles over some of the unusual events that make his life so busy and interesting.

There was, for example, the woman charged with responsibility for 28 safe combinations. She kept the combinations in her main safe. One day the lock jammed, Holland worked on the safe until 11 p.m. before he got it open. The 27 other safes stayed closed all day too.

Holland, who lives in Athens, has made frequent 20 mile trips to the Arsenal late at night or early

in the morning whenever a lock crisis arose.

He was called once at 5:30 a.m. and upon arrival found a colonel living in the Bachelor Officer's Quarters marooned in the hall in his pajamas. The officer had heard a noise in the hall. As he investigated, the wind blew his door shut. Holland got the door open and received the chilled and sleepy Colonel's thanks.

Occasionally he likes to go fishing and one weekend he went out on the Elk River, 12 miles north of Athens, to try his luck. Sure enough just when the fish were biting the best, someone hailed him from the bank and told him that he was needed to open a safe at the Arsenal. Still in his fishing clothes, Holland opened the safe and employees were able to complete the urgent report they were compiling.

Holland started tinkering with locks more than 45 years ago as a hobby. He was first employed at the Arsenal in 1945 as a carpenter.

In 1948 when the old Huntsville Arsenal was about to close and "For Sale" signs were posted at the gates, Holland was one of the men picked to close up the buildings. He and several other carpenters nailed the windows and doors shut as part of the close-down and deactivation operations.

When Huntsville Arsenal closed in 1949 and Redstone Arsenal emerged as a combination of the two with the Army's missile mission, Holland was on duty in the carpenter shop.

Even as a carpenter he was frequently called upon to open locks and doors and since there was no locksmith assigned, Holland soon became the locksmith and has served in that job since 1949.

Holland has worked on safes that range from eight feet tall to small safety deposit boxes that measure five to six inches in height.

Holland admits he has run into some rough ones but he operates with a philosophy that goes — "Anything man-made can always be opened."

Holland disclosed that he had learned a lot about locks and safes from a fellow who was quite proficient in the art and had served some time in a leading penal institution.

Holland loves his job . . . and it shows. He took correspondence courses and paid for his own training on Manipulation of Combinations, Servicing, Repairing and Changing Combinations, and Lock Repair.

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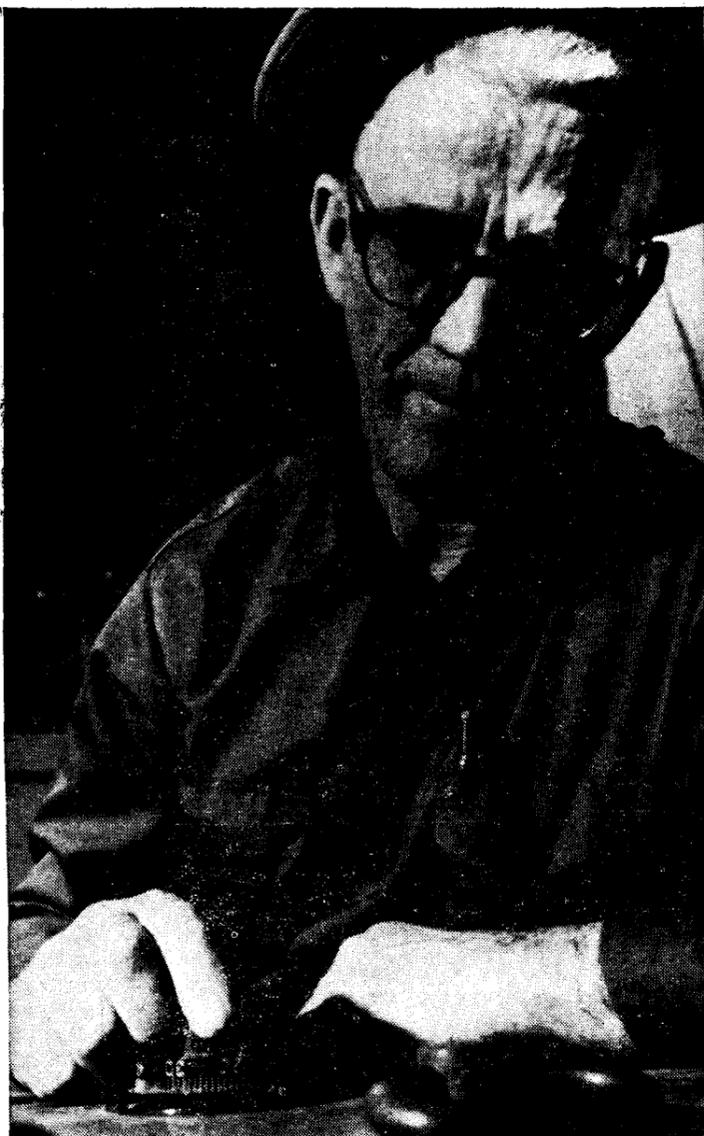
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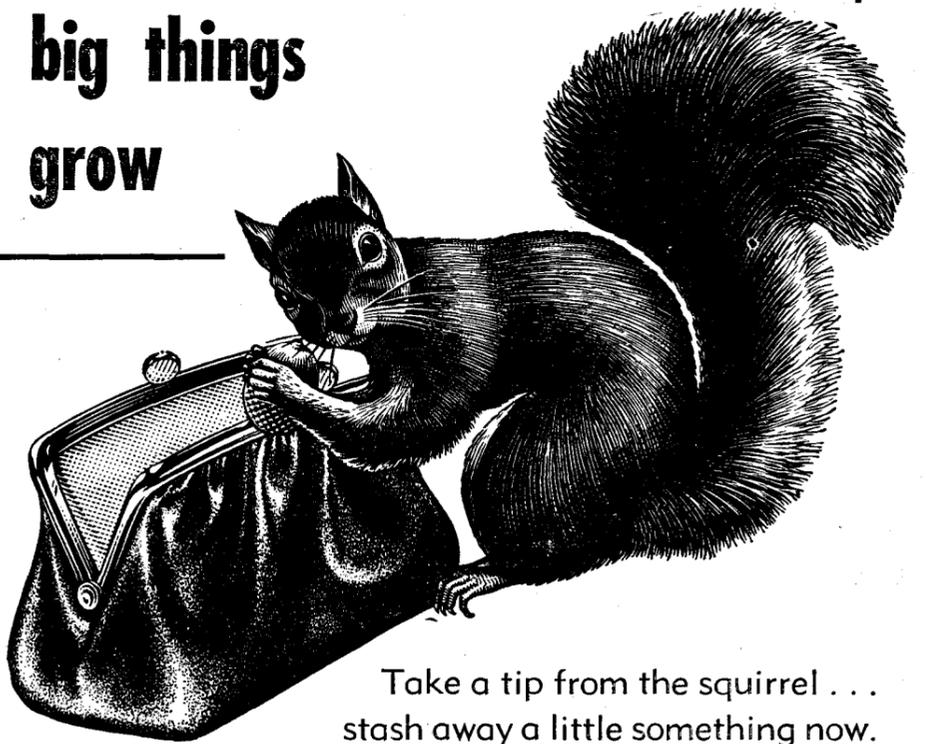


100 YEAR OLD LOCK—James H. Holland, left, Missile Command Locksmith, shows his boss, L. F. Kilpatrick, Cabinetmaker Foreman, a 100 year-old lock that he has been working on and trying to get open with the big circular key.



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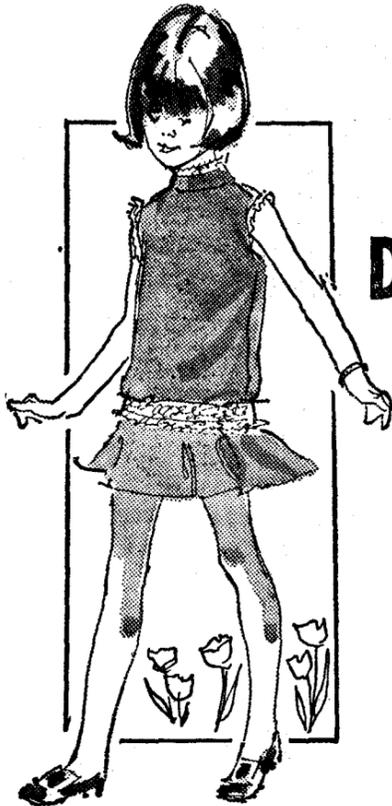
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Early the following morning, on request from the county sheriff, the Sharpe pilots took to the air in Army Materiel Command-developed OH-6A Cayuse helicopters in the search to flush the other bandit from his hiding place in the

rugged Sierra foothills.

The manhunt extended for more than a 40-mile radius of Lathrop. Receiving word from ground control that the bandit was holed up in an old shack, the pilots hovered over the area until officers converged and the bandit ran from the building shooting. He was critically wounded during the exchange of gunfire and later died.

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"With another quarter remaining in the Fiscal Year, all other cost saving projects will be gravy," Allen C. Metzger, coordinator for the program, said.

Through March, MMCS elements have reduced cost in all areas.

The "School area" accounted for the majority of cost savings. In this area, including manpower and administration, 26 separate actions were validated by the Army Audit Agency (AAA).

The largest savings, \$30,000, was realized by a single action in the Nike Division of Director of Individual Training (DIT) and involved the turn-in of equipment.

Another action, also in the Nike Division, resulted in a savings of \$13,000 when it was realized that radars could be painted under one

work request in lieu of two requests previously used.

The cost reduction figures show that of the 19 actions submitted by DIT, the Nike Division alone has submitted 11. The division has already surpassed the DIT goal for the Fiscal Year.

Goals for each Fiscal Year are set by CONARC. The comptroller here then determines the goals of each major element of the school, depending upon the operating budget allocations.

There were two actions in the Equipment Maintenance Management area and one in the "catch all" area, Other Management Improvements. In this area MMCS-TV saved \$10,000 by reusing video tapes.

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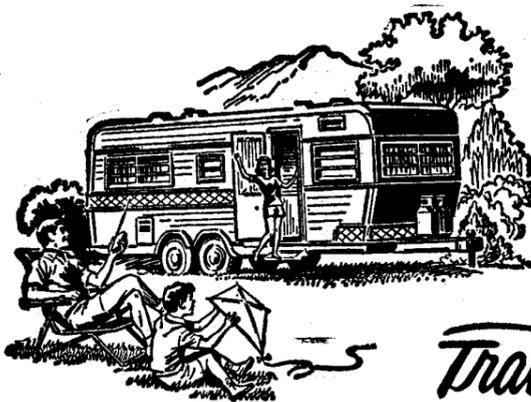
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This one center, providing edu-

cation and training in technical fields ranging from ammunition storgae to nuclear propellants, is composed of students from every branch of the U. S. armed forces, every state in the Union, and from 34 Allied nations. Presently there are 177 Allied students at the school, representing 15 of the 34 nations.

The education of the Allied students doesn't stop with formal classroom instruction. Provisions are made to help the students to better understand the surroundings, the government of the United States and our history.

The Foreign Liaison Office arranges tours to prominent, local and "near-distant" cities. During many of these tours the students receive information about the operations of city, state, and national government. The students themselves are often asked to present a comparative discussion on the functions of their homeland government. At such sessions both Americans and the Allied students benefit.

Historical sites, museums, and obviously, points of interest rank high on the students' itinerary.

The most prominent place for the students to find local color is the "Friendship House," sponsored by the Madison Baptist Association and located directly outside gate 10. Here, the students both Allied and American—meet concerned individuals from various churches. These people help to welcome the incoming students and provide information to aid them in adjusting to the Huntsville area. Conversation, friendly atmosphere, refreshments and courses on citizenship and conversational English are all available.

Many of the Allied students are also the guests of local families. At these informal occasions the feelings of being away from home become less, and the more formal atmosphere of Army life softens. Many times, customs, traditions, or just plain backyard banter dominate the conversation.

Scouts Tough It During Long, Wet Arsenal Weekend

The best way to learn how to operate under adverse conditions is to be placed directly into them, and the boy scouts who attended the Tennessee Valley Council's Junior Leaders Training found this out firsthand.

During the past weekend, scouts from more than 20 troops in the area gathered at Redstone Arsenal for training that would qualify them to aid their scoutmasters in troop functions.

Rain started Friday evening and continued through to Sunday afternoon. While the young men underwent training. Saturday morning they gathered at the civilian recreation area at Redstone Arsenal and received classes in camp-lay-out, field sanitation, and various ways to cook a meal while in the field. After a meal which was prepared in the rain, the men were given some parctical instruction in the art of rainy-day weather camping.

Saturday evening was a time of fun and more theory. After they were taught the correct manner of packing and carrying a full field-pack, the scouts were instructed in some of the technicalities that compose the patrol meeting and how it operated. This was then followed by a few hours during which various groups performed short skits.

Sunday the boys packed up the paraphernalia they had used over the weekend and received more classes in the theory of Scouting. After an evaluation session, the council dispersed.

City Soldier Graduates At MMCS Friday

Among the 107 graduates of Friday's Missile and Munitions Center and School graduation was a Huntsville resident, SFC Jerry D. Tielking.

SFC Tielking, 173 Nevada, was graduated in the Pershing guidance and control repairman course.

SFC Tielking attended Rison High School, and prior to his coming into the Army in Aug. 1964 was employed as a mechanic by a Huntsville firm. His wife is the former Joanne McCauley of 103 Nelson Street, Albertville.

J. J. Weed, Association of the United States Army representative, awarded plaques for outstanding academic achievement to 1st Lt. Dale S. Sharples II of Conshoecton, Ohio, with a 97.4 in the missile maintenance officer course; SSG Robert H. Castleberry, Pasco, Washington, 97.1 in the land combat missile system repair technician course; Marine SSG Edwin R. Olson of Jefferson, Iowa, 96.6 in the air defense missile maintenance technician course; PFC Lester A. Coles, Seattle, Wash., 96.7 in the Pershing digital equipment repairman course; and PV2 Larry J. Unroe, 98.5 in the ammunition storage course.

Guest speaker, Maj. David R Codd, Chief, Nike Division, Air



SSG JERRY D. TIELKING

Defense Department, stressed career planning. He emphasized that when planning a career, one must assume a positive attitude, utilize his capacities, and apply the acquired knowledge and training. MAJ. Codd added that this applies not only to a military career but also to a more comprehensive career—the career of life.

Maj. Codd presented certificates of recognition to Marine SGT C. M. Carroll, II of Denver, Colo., who had an 88.6 in air defense missile maintenance technician course; and PFC Michael J. Doherty, Moscow, Idaho, with a 93.0 in land combat support system test specialist.

Also receiving certificates were PFC Lyman M. Reil, Plattsburgh, NY, with a 95.9 in the ammunition records specialist; PFC Robert J. James of Flint, Mich., 94.2 in Pershing guidance and control repairman course; and PV2 Guy P. Olmsted of Colorado Springs, Colo., 92.0 in the ballistic missile repair helper course.



FIRST WINNERS IN NEW PROGRAM—Mrs. Lillie P. Hanners, center, and Mrs. Marylyn E. Murphy, right, were the first to receive recognition under a recently initiated program in the Procurement Requirements and Production Division, Systems Operations, Procurement and Production Directorate. Mrs. Hanners was selected as "Procurement Planner of the Month" and Mrs. Murphy was named "Production Manager of the Month" for their efficient performance. Robert M. Hooker, left, initiated the program, and presented letters of commendation to the two. The recognition also carries with it the privilege of parking their cars in specially provided spaces in front of Bldg. 7442, where they work, for one month.

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7.35-15					2.08
7.75-14	25.25	18.90	28.50	21.35	2.17
7.75-15					2.19
8.25-14	28.75	21.55	32.00	24.00	2.33
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