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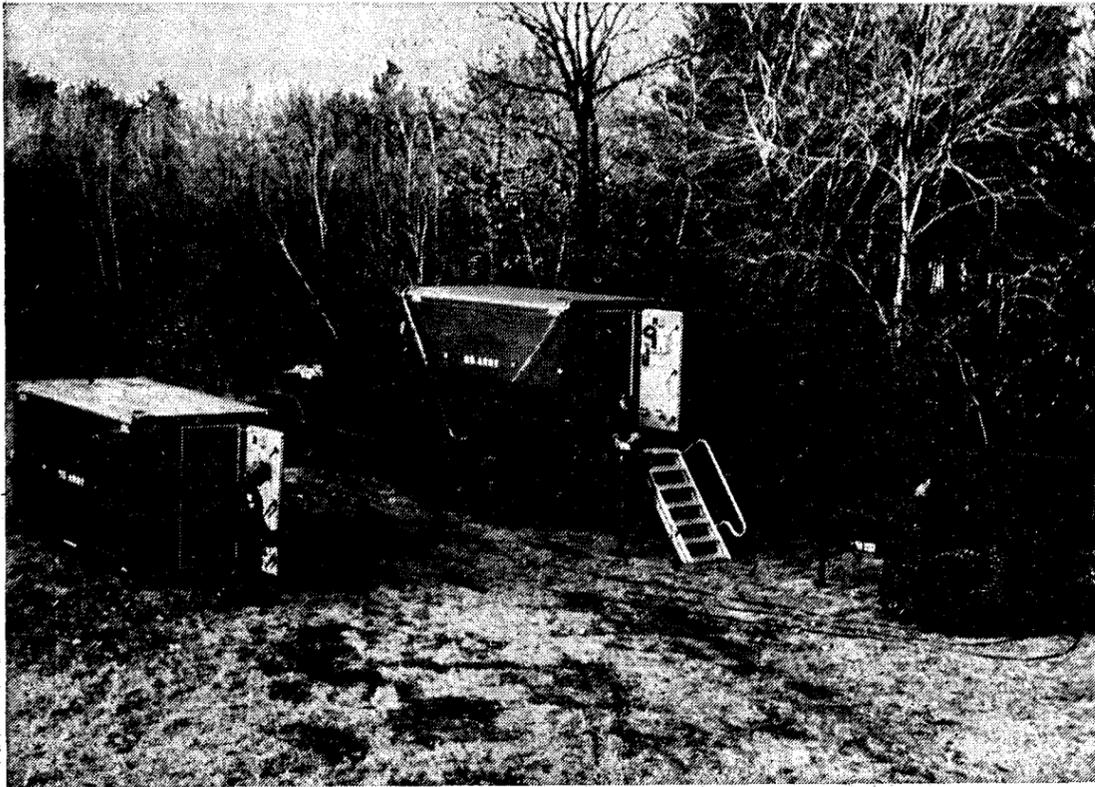
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LCSS IN FIELD—The U. S. Army's Land Combat Support System (LCSS) which was recently deployed in Europe, is a multi-purpose test system developed at the Army Missile Command. It is designed to test and isolate faults in the Shillelagh, TOW, Dragon and Lance missile systems in the field. The system consists of two shelters, a test station shown here mounted on a truck, and shop equipment on the left. Both are powered by the generator on the right.

LCSS Bound For Europe With Sheridan/Shillelagh

The U.S. Army has announced the deployment of the first four production models of its Land Combat Support System (LCSS) with fully trained tactical units bound for Europe in support of the Sheridan/Shillelagh weapon system.

The LCSS is a multi-purpose system developed by the Army Missile Command to test electronic guidance and control components of the Shillelagh, TOW, Dragon and Lance missile systems. The system is mounted in two shelters which are readily transportable thus enabling its employment near the weapons it serves. One shelter contains test equipment and the other provides repair and storage facilities.

When a soldier determines that his weapon system is malfunctioning, a contact team is called forward. The team, equipped with LCSS test equipment, determines which major assembly of the guidance and control components is causing the malfunction, and replaces the faulty assembly, thereby returning the weapon system to full operational status.

The malfunctioning assembly is returned to the LCSS which automatically isolates the faults within the assembly.

LCSS is also capable of self test. The program is managed at the Missile Command by the Land Combat Support Systems Product Office, under Lt. Col. F. A. Matthews, Product Manager.

Missile Command Will Be Reorganized In Fall

The Army Missile Command will reorganize later this year to comply with a standard commodity command structure being adopted through the Army Materiel Command.

While the exact date for the switchover has yet to be established, work has begun to develop detailed mission statements and tentative personnel allocations in the new management setup. Once these are approved by higher authority, the changeover will begin.

Indications are that the change will not occur until some time in the fall. The Materiel Command wants the new structure operational by December 31.

Manning of the new organization is to be accomplished within personnel ceilings previously set by AMC which MICOM will reach through reduction in force actions to be completed on June 29.

AMC recently approved the basic structure of the new organization, granting MICOM some exceptions to the standard commodity

command structure, among them: excluding certain post functions from MICOM headquarters and retaining some functions in the procurement and production area that otherwise would have gone to research and development. AMC believes the standard commodity command structure will improve management at all levels.

MICOM will operate in the new structure with seven major directorates, a change that will entail shifting some functions and personnel from existing organizations. Some physical movement of personnel work sites will be necessary during the conversion period.

Three new directorates will be established: one for plans and analysis, one for materiel management and one for maintenance. The latter two will be created by dividing functions of the Supply & Maintenance Directorate.

The function of the Product Assurance & Test Management Office (See REORGANIZATION, Page 3)

ARMY DISPLAY AREA TO CLOSE

The Army Missile Display near the intersection of Patton Road and Bob Wallace Avenue will be closed indefinitely effective April 17, the U. S. Army Missile Command has announced.

Closure of the Army display which featured rockets and missiles developed at Redstone Arsenal is an economy measure necessitated by reduced funding, the announcement said.

The display has been open to the public since May of 1968 and has been a popular tourist attraction. It replaced another Army display area nearby which featured exhibits housed in three air-inflated domes which were destroyed by high winds.

MOST AFFECTED BY RIF TO GET NOTICES MONDAY

Most civilian employees affected by the Missile Command reduction in force are scheduled to receive notification in individual letters Monday.

The Civilian Personnel Office time schedule as of today calls for

LTC Wayne B. Miller Is Manager Of New Office Here

LTC Wayne B. Miller has been appointed acting manager of the newly established Land Combat Special Items Management Office at the Army Missile Command.

He was formerly Product Manager of the Missile Command MARS II Product Office.

The new Land Combat Special Items Management Office consoli-

delivery of the majority of the letters to individuals at their work sites.

Notices to persons affected at duty stations outside the United States and those on temporary duty outside the country during the period April 20 through April 29 are scheduled for mailing to them on Friday.

Those individuals whose duty station is away from the Huntsville area and those known to be on temporary duty, leave of absence or extended training during the notification period are to be mailed their notices Monday.

The letter to an individual advises him of the action taken in his case, for example, downgrade, transfer or separation. Individuals have 10 working days after receipt of the letter to accept or decline any offer. Individuals who elect to accept the offer will continue in their present status until June 29.

A reply form inclosed with each letter must be returned to indicate acceptance of the offer. Individuals who decline the offer made by letter will be separated as of June 29.

A special counseling service has been set up by Civilian Personnel to advise individuals affected by the RIF. The counseling will begin at noon Monday and continue through May 11.

Basically there will be three different types of counseling provided affected employees: (1) General Counseling related to specific reduction-in-force actions, (2) Outplacement counseling, and (3) Civil Service Commission group counseling.

General counseling will include retention register inspection, regulation examination, pay fixing, severance pay, the various retirement plans, appeal rights, placement determination, unemployment compensation, insurance conversion, withdrawal or status of retirement funds and repromotion rights. This counseling will be provided by knowledgeable Civilian Personnel Office personnel.

(See RIF NOTICES on Page 3)



LTC WAYNE B. MILLER

dates the Aircraft Weapons, Land Combat Weapons and Sergeant Commodity Offices for more effective utilization of personnel and resources.

The weapons systems to be managed by this organization include the Sergeant, Honest John, and the 2.75-in. rocket launchers.

Col. Miller will have responsibility for directing the development, (See COL. MILLER on Page 3)



RECEIVES EDUCATION CERTIFICATE—Stanley Wilkins, right, chief, Post Transportation Division, Arsenal Support Operations Directorate, presents a High School Equivalency Certificate to Onezean Otey, Sr., foreman, Household Goods Storage Warehouse. Mrs. Evelyn C. Beasley, chief, Household Goods Section, was on hand to extend congratulations to Otey on his accomplishment. Otey, a native of Huntsville, has worked at Redstone Arsenal for 19 years. He passed the General Education Development tests at Alabama A&M and was awarded his equivalency certificate by the Alabama State Department of Education.

The Redstone Rocket

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Rocket Ruminations

Anger blows out the lamp of the mind. In the examination of a great and important question, everyone should be serene, slow-pulsed and calm.

—Robert G. Ingersoll

Loyalty And Respect

To attract to the defense service people with ability, dedication, and capacity for growth.

That is part of the statement made last August in Philadelphia by Secretary of Defense Melvin Laird when he addressed the Veterans of Foreign Wars convention. He emphasized that "People are our most important asset," and outlined a program he called Human Goals. He listed five ways to attain the Human Goals. The italicized statement above is the first one he listed.

Secretary Laird believes most young men entering the military are well educated and highly motivated, full of ambition and full of energy.

"We must see that the treatment they receive does not frustrate their ambitions or waste their energies," he said.

A characteristic of all mammoth organizations is the ease with which one can get lost in the crowd, forgotten and ignored.

If Human Goals are to be achieved, if the attractiveness of a career in Defense is to be brought out, then the serviceman or the civilian employee must feel the highest pride in himself and his work.

The Secretary of Defense believes it can be done. He offers these guidelines:

"We must show them that loyalty and respect among military ranks are a mutual, not a one-sided relationship—extending downward as well as upward. We must cultivate and train these young men for leadership. We must provide them with personalized career development. Above all, we must make them feel they are important people doing important jobs." (AFPS)

Engineers Increase Air Force Pilots Cost Reduction Set Reserve Talk Goals For FY70

The Office of the Chief of Engineers initially assigned a FY 70 cost reduction goal of \$43,000 to Huntsville Division; however, the goal has recently been increased to \$78,000. In addition to the assigned goals, the Division imposed higher goals based on cost reduction potential reported by various elements for an overall total of \$501,000.

To date, validated savings of \$65,176 have been reported for FY 70. Reported savings include:

Office of Administrative Services — \$50,239 resulting from improvements in reproduction and printing methods initiated by Cecil Dobbs, Chief, Reproduction Branch; Facilities Engineering Division—\$14,313 resulting from elimination of one GS-15 position by reorganizing the Engineering Support Branch; and Personnel Office—\$624 resulting from an action initiated by Nettie Biggs, Chief, Technical Services Branch, to make

Two air force pilots from Indiana will make a special film presentation Friday night at the Huntsville Chapter Meeting of the Reserve Officers Association.

Maj. Norman Reid and Capt. J. E. Davis, both with the 930th Special Operations Group at Grissom Air Force Base, will show film highlights of their activities with the Shadow Squadron gunship in Southeast Asia.

This gunship is the modern version of the C-47 known as the "Magic Dragon."

Activities for the ROA's Air Force Night will begin at 6:30 p.m. at the Redstone Arsenal Officer's Open Mess.

For reservations or further information, call Ray Rice at 536-9479, Charles Shield 881-5460, Elmer Hargis 895-3732 or William Mixon at 453-4621.

use of in-house computer facilities for preparation of monthly employee rosters.



LAW DAY PROCLAMATION SIGNED—Maj. Gen. Edwin I. Donley, Commanding General, U.S. Army Missile Command, signs the Law Day Proclamation as Capt. Gilbert Stroming, II, left, Assistant Judge Advocate for MICOM, and John Cady, Attorney, Chief Counsel's Office, observe the occasion. Law Day is May 1, and Cady is Chairman, Law Day, for the North Alabama Federal Bar Association.

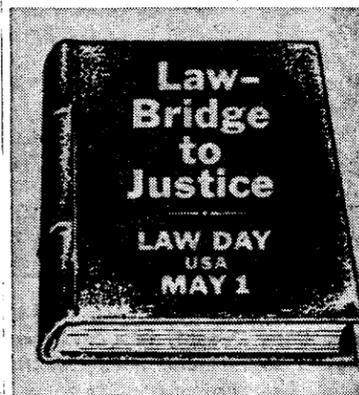
Civilian Welfare Council Elects Representatives

Chairman, Lewis D. Ellenberg, of the nominating committee for two-year terms on the Civilian Welfare Fund Council has announced the results of the election last week.

Robert Jones was named the Arsenal Support Operations Directorate representative; Curtis Williams, Procurement and Production; Charlie Colvard, Management Information Systems Directorate (Prov.); George Melochick, Army Missile and Munitions Center and School; Ellis Parker, Research and Engineering; Charlie Sparks, Army Metrology and Calibration Center; and William Beierle, Safeguard System Command.

Representatives of the Supply and Maintenance Directorate, Headquarters, Missile Command, and members at large will be elected in 1971 when the present representatives two-year terms expire.

Ellenberg may be contacted about activities of the nominating committee. His number is 876-3440. Chairman of the Council is Leonard Twinem, 876-3298. The chairman can answer any questions about any of the regular business of the Council.



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Job Vacancies

Project MASSTER (Mobile Army Sensor System, Test & Evaluation Review)

FORT HOOD, TEXAS

There are job vacancies at Fort Hood, Texas on which the Civilian Personnel Office at Redstone Arsenal has information, and which have not been previously announced locally.

Any person who is qualified and available to be considered for one of the vacancies should call the Civilian Personnel Office, Telephone Nos. 876-7835, 876-7510, or 876-8080, for further information. An up-to-date Standard Form 171 will be required. The list follows:

Title	Series & Grade	No. of Pos.
Meteorologist (Forecast and Interpret)	GS-1340-13	1
Safety Engineer	GS-803-12	1
Physicist	GS-1310-12	1
Computer Systems Analyst	GS-334-12	2
Computer Systems Analyst	GS-334-11	1
Science Illustrator	GS-1020-9	1
Geodesist	GS-1372-12	1
Electrical Engineer	GS-850-12	1
Operations Research Analyst	GS-1515-12	1
Operations Research Analyst	GS-1515-11	1
Technical Publications Writer	GS-1083-12	4
General Engineer	GS-801-13	1
Electronic Engineer (Electromagnetic)	GS-855-13	1
Electronic Engineer (Range Instrumentation)	GS-855-12	2
Operations Research Analyst	GS-1515-15	1

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Each employee requesting counseling will be counseled on appropriate subjects mentioned above and will be given the opportunity to ask questions.

In addition to general counseling, certain career or career conditional employees are eligible to register in formal outplacement programs; for example, the DOD Priority Placement Program (stopper list), Civil Service Commission Displaced Employees Program, and the Area Reemployment Priority Program.

Persons being separated from the federal service or who are to be reduced in grade as a result of the RIF are eligible to register in the DOD Priority Placement Program (Stopper List). Those who are being separated as a result of the RIF are eligible to register under both the Civil Service Commission Displaced Employees Program and the Area Reemployment Priority Program. During outplacement counseling, employees will be provided with an explanation of the various programs.

After eligibility for the outplacement programs has been definitely established, qualification determination and locality preference will be made. Eligible employees will then be registered in the available programs. Each individual requesting counseling relative to the outplacement programs will be assigned to a knowledgeable Civilian Personnel Office employee who will counsel the employee relative to each available program; thereby, allowing one stop counseling for all outplacement programs.

The third type of counseling will consist of Civil Service Commission Group orientation during which a Civil Service Commission representative and Civilian Personnel Office representative will provide employees with RIF procedures and appeal information. This counseling will be provided for affected employees on a group basis in the Rocket Auditorium on May 4th and 5th, 1970. Specific information relative to scheduling of employees and transportation arrangements for this group counseling will be provided at a later date.

General counseling and outplacement counseling will be provided only by appointment. Both general counseling and outplacement counseling will be provided in the Civilian Personnel Office complex. All persons scheduled for counseling will be requested to report to Building 3164 for initial reception.

Individuals desiring either general counseling or outplacement counseling should call 876-5709 for appointment scheduling upon receipt of reduction-in-force notices. General counseling sessions will be one-half hour in duration, and counseling relative to special outplacement programs will be one hour in duration. An attempt will be made to schedule personnel seeking both general and outplacement counseling so that the second appointment will follow the first.

Arrangements will be made with Post Transportation to establish and maintain bus schedules on a half-hour basis to the Civilian Personnel Office from all points on the arsenal and the Safeguard Building. Transportation schedules will be printed in the Daily Bulletin.

REORGANIZATION

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Office will be retitled as the Product Assurance Directorate.

Directorates of Research, Development and Engineering; Procurement and Production, and Management Information Systems will generally continue to perform functions now assigned them.

The Directorate of Arsenal Support Operations will be renamed the Redstone Arsenal Support Agency with some of its functions being transferred to other elements. The director of this renamed activity will also be the Deputy Post Commander. The Missile Intelligence Directorate will also become an "agency" in the new organization.

Staff office changes will include dropping the Installation & Services Office and the Management Science & Data Systems Office in the new organization and transferring their functions to other elements. New offices for security and a second for safety will be added at the staff level. The Judge Advocate and General Counsel offices will be merged.

Other staff offices, project manager offices not previously announced for discontinuance, special assistants to the Commanding General and the Army Metrology and Calibration Center will carry over into the new organization. Some will gain additional functions. The Comptroller, for example, will gain the external audit functions now performed by the Special Review Office and the internal review functions now in the Arsenal Support Operations Directorate.

The Redstone Arsenal Support Agency, Missile Intelligence Agency, Project Manager offices, Metrology Center, RD&E Laboratories and Michigan Army Missile Plant Contracting Office will be established as Class II activities with separate tables of distribution and allowance.

COL. MILLER

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procurement, production, testing, distribution and logistical support of these weapons.

He was assigned to the Missile Command in January, 1969 from Germany where he was Chief of the Joint Sales Branch, Military Assistance Advisory Group. He has a bachelors degree from the University of Oklahoma and an MBA in Financial Administration from Syracuse University.

tin at a later date.

In addition, retirement counseling will be continued in Room 111, Building T-3158.

State Employment Agency Offers Cooperation In RIF

MONTGOMERY — All facilities of the Alabama Department of Industrial Relations, especially the Huntsville office of the Employment Security Division, are available and ready to assist persons affected by the Reduction in Force at Redstone Arsenal.

"We are prepared to cooperate to the fullest extent with Redstone Arsenal and private employers in the Huntsville area who are finding it necessary to make personnel reductions," said state industrial relations director Robert G. Kendall, Jr.

"The full resources of the department are at the disposal of the Army Missile Command and will support its efforts to secure new employment for people who are left without jobs as a result of the cutbacks."

Kendall said the Department of Industrial Relations will develop a realistic employment service program to aid the workers expected to be out of work by June.

"We realize we must provide

bona fide assistance and that employment opportunities must be consistent with the individual's qualifications, abilities, and aptitudes," he said, "and at the same time we will try to provide a plan of service to fit employers' needs."

In addition to the Huntsville office, the State Employment Service maintains a network of offices throughout Alabama. Each office represents a link between the job seeker and the largest listing of employment opportunities in the community and the state. The State Employment Service is part of a nation-wide system of manpower centers which includes more than 2,000 offices in all 50 states. Listed in this national clearance system are many unfilled professional classifications.

Through the exchange of labor market information, the employment service, which is part of the federal-state system, has access to current trends in labor supply and demands and current labor market conditions in all parts of the country. The labor market information guides include knowing what kinds of jobs are available and where they are in the community, the state, and the nation as well as listings for employers who want to know the available numbers and types of workers.

Kendall said the Unemployment Compensation Agency is also prepared to assist workers who do not find immediate employment. He urged workers who are to be separated to check with the agency's Huntsville office to determine their eligibility for benefits under the unemployment compensation program.

Hawk Awards \$1 Million

The U.S. Army Missile Command has awarded a \$1,020,000 contract to Raytheon Company for engineering services on the improved Hawk missile system.

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

Hawk is a mobile Army air defense missile, capable of intercepting high performance aircraft and airbreathing guided missiles at low altitudes. The weapon system is in operation with Army and Marine Corps units in the United States and overseas.

Technical supervision of Hawk is from the Missile Command at Redstone Arsenal, Ala., where Col. J. R. M. Covert is Hawk Project Manager.

FOLK MUSIC CONCERT

The Huntsville Folk Music Association will present a program of music at the Service Club Sunday at 7 o'clock.

Maj. Edward Harrison, president of the Huntsville Association, will be in charge of the program. Coffee will be served.

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Library Week Time To Renew Acquaintance



NEW OFFICERS ELECTED—Cleo Cason, left, chief librarian, Redstone Scientific Information Center, congratulates Jane F. Bentley, center, chief, operations section and Clara T. Rogers, chief, documents section, on their election as officers in the Special Libraries Association. Mrs. Bentley was elected president and Mrs. Rogers secretary-treasurer, of the Alabama Chapter of SLA.

Whether it's the latest best seller or a how-to-do-it book, military personnel at Redstone Arsenal have their choice of 27,000 books at the Directorate of Arsenal Support Operations' Special Services Library in Building 3323.

Books of many varied subjects, some in foreign languages occupy the shelves in the library's three reading rooms.

"We try constantly to provide a good selection of general reading volumes and also some specialized books," said Mrs. Norma S. Harkness, post librarian. "We have mysteries, current fiction and non-fiction, childrens books, books for young adults and magazines and newspapers from throughout the United States."

Library hours are from 12:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Sunday. The library is closed holidays.

"The Library is available to military personnel, retired military and their dependents," said Mrs. Harkness. Books may be checked out for two weeks, and they can be renewed for another two weeks just by calling the library or coming by."

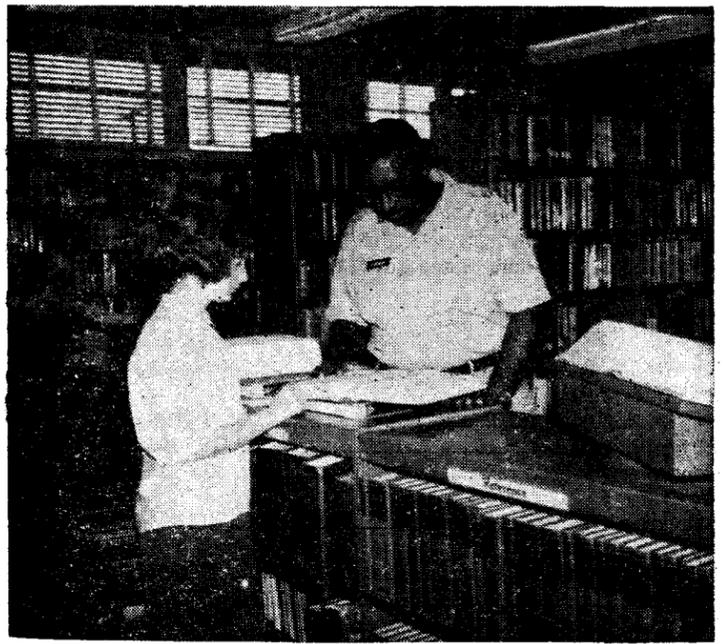
Books in the German, Italian, French, Danish and Dutch languages are available for the foreign students. All books are cataloged under the Dewey Decimal System and are listed in the card files using the Library of Congress listing card.

In addition to the three reading rooms and a periodical room, there is a record room which can be used only by active military personnel.

Miss Lillian M. Long, librarian, and Miss Georgia Lanier, student aid, assist Mrs. Harkness with running the busy operation of the Post Library.

In this modern age the library has grown in importance, and if anyone doubts this, they can just ask Mrs. Harkness.

"Reading is an important part of everyone's personal development," said the Post Librarian. "We encourage all our military personnel to make full use of the Special Services Library whenever they can."



NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK—Mrs. Norma S. Harkness, Post Librarian (left) assists MMCS instructor, CPT Charles A. Johnson in finding needed reference materials. An April tradition, the Special Services Library along with other libraries at Redstone Arsenal is celebrating National Library Week.

Toastmistress Club Will Receive Charter Apr. 23

The Redstone Toastmistress Club will hold its charter banquet at the Redstone Officers' Open Mess on the evening of April 23.

There will be three speakers: Brig. Gen. George H. McBride, Deputy Commanding General, U.S. Army Missile Command; John Hinkle, Chief of Civilian Training and Development Division, Civilian Personnel Office; and Mrs. James H. O'Donnell of the Birmingham Toastmistress Club.

The installing officer for the ceremony will be Mrs. Gere Wyss of the Huntsville Toastmistress Club. Mrs. Wyss is chairman of Council I of the Dixie Region of Toastmistress Clubs.

Presenting the charter will be Miss Billie Holland, immediate past supervisor of the Dixie Re-

gion of Toastmistress Clubs, and Dixie Region extension coordinator. Miss Holland is employed at McCoy Air Force Base at Orlando, Fla., as secretary to the Medical Group Commander. She is a charter member of the Strato Jette Toastmistress Club which was established in 1960 and has held all club and council offices except treasurer.

Officers appointed for the charter banquet are: Mrs. John Ballou, general chairman, with Mrs. James Stanley and Mrs. M. R. Wilkie as co-chairman. Committee chairmen are: food and reservations—Mrs. Alfred Czachowski; protocol—Mrs. John Pond; decorations—Mrs. Dana Sperr; publicity—Miss Dudley Williams; tickets—Miss Marjorie Rieves; program—Mrs. B. B. Graham; telephone and hotel reservations—Mrs. William Mann; and hospitality—Mrs. Wilke.

Theatre Schedule

WEDNESDAY, April 15 — "The Madwoman of Chaillot"(G)
 THURSDAY-FRIDAY, April 16-17 — "Take the Money and Run" (GP)
 INCREASED ADMISSION: adults 50c, children 25c
 SATURDAY, April 18 — "The Christmas Tree"(G)
 SUNDAY-MONDAY, April 19-20 — "Marooned"(G)
 INCREASED ADMISSION: adults 75c, children 25c
 TUESDAY, April 21—"The Forbin Project"(GP)
 Two shows nightly at 6:00 and 8:30 p.m. Sunday matinee at 2:00 p.m.

Tour Of Nocalula Falls Planned For Saturday

A tour of Nocalula Falls, located at Gadsden, Ala., has been scheduled by the Service Club for Saturday.

Nocalula Falls is named for an Indian maiden who committed suicide by jumping into the Falls following a lovers' quarrel. A statue in memory of Nocalula was unveiled at the falls last year.

The restored covered bridge and pioneer community plus the beautiful botanical gardens attracts tourists from all over the USA.

The bus will leave the Service Club at 9 a.m. Enlisted men planning on making the trip are required to register at the Service Club. A picnic lunch will be furnished.

RSA Toastmasters Oldest In This District

Redstone Toastmasters Club No. 1932 is one of the ten top rated clubs for Toastmastering in the world. This club has been in the top ten for the past six years and is trying for seven in a row.

This is the oldest Toastmasters Club in North Alabama. Redstone Toastmasters was begun in 1955. Its initiation was requested by Gen. H. N. Toftoy, former Commanding General of Redstone Arsenal.

In recent years Redstone No.

1932 has distinguished itself in local, state and international Toastmasters programs. In club achievements Redstone has consistently been recognized as the "Outstanding Toastmasters Club in District No. 48."

Redstone Toastmasters is composed of men whose professions come from a variety of backgrounds. The group is intent on individual and group improvement in the art of speaking. They meet each Tuesday night at 6:30 p.m. at the Ruby Nell Restaurant located at 2003 Pulaski Pike NW. It is open to men who seek self-improvement.

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Barnes Seeks Treasure In Hills Of Alabama

Arrow points, knives, tomahawks, hoes, hammers, utensils, shark's teeth, coral and sea shells are just a few of the artifacts and rocks belonging to Joe Barnes, a civilian employed by the Army at Redstone Arsenal.

Barnes, a Program Analyst with Land Combat Support Systems, Army Missile Command, has covered much of North Alabama in search of artifacts and stones for his collection which includes more than 8,000 pieces.

Among his finds Barnes has uncovered petrified conch shells, pieces of coral, and mussel shells estimated to be over one million years old, and supporting a theory this land was once a vast sea.

Many of the artifacts show the culture of the Indians that once lived in this particular area of Alabama. Primitive utensils such as mortars and pestles, bowls and scrapers made of rocks and smooth polished stones indicate that Indian medicine men plied their trade just like the white doctors.

According to Barnes, the best

place to look for artifacts is along streams, rivers and ponds since most of the Indian tribes settled as close to the water as possible.

On the other hand, he said, the best places for fossils, relics and unusual stones, are on hillsides, in gravel pits, dry stream beds and ravines.

Some of the fossils and items Barnes has found are totally unrelated to the area as we know it today. Pieces of coral like those that form protective reefs around many South Pacific islands and shark's teeth believed dating back one million years are a part of Barnes' collection.

Barnes said that many of the artifacts were submitted to the University of Alabama where they were given in carbon test to determine age.

Looking for artifacts actually launched a new hobby for Barnes when he once noticed some unique pieces of rock and stone. He took a few home, polished them into beautiful items of varying shapes and sizes and immediately became



DISCUSS PROJECT LITE—Colin Tapper, Exchange professor from Oxford University, England now teaching at the University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, and Frank Buckley, Chief Counsel for the Army Missile Command, discuss the advantages of legal information retrieval by computer. Tapper is the technical consultant to the Council of Europe on Legal Information Retrieval. A program, referred to as Project LITE, has been set up in the U.S. with headquarters at Denver. Spelled out LITE is Legal Information Retrieval Through Electronics. The Missile Command is a customer.



A MEDICINE MAN WORE THESE—Joe Barnes places a set of Indian beads around the neck of Mrs. Marcie Keith, an office secretary. Made of round smooth stones, the beads are the type worn by Indian Medicine Men and were found along one of the rivers in Northern Alabama. Barnes collects Indian artifacts and stones and is interested in Indian history in Alabama.



CORAL IN ALABAMA—Would you believe Alabama was once a tropical ocean? Joe Barnes holds a piece of coral found in Northern Alabama that resembles the coral reefs around many of the South Sea islands. Barnes looks for unusual rocks and artifacts as a hobby.

a "Rock Hound."

While some folks have just one hobby, Barnes has several that are related. When he finds Indian artifacts, it helps him learn more about the history of the Indians who lived in this area.

Barnes has authored a historical novel, co-authored a county history and an Indian drama that has been successfully produced and has worked with descendants of Indian tribes that still live in the area.

A true hobbyist, Barnes has donated the receipts from his writings to charities or sponsoring organizations.

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Bowler Of Year—

Goltz Directs Bandits In AMC League Clincher

With the championship safely cached away in the Bandit till, AMC-Civilian Welfare League bowlers go to the post for the final time tonight before dropping the curtain on their 1969-70 season.

Second place is the big stake for four quintets in tonight's firing while all sixteen of the league entries will be shooting for special final night prizes.

The Bandits put a lock on the league title by squeezing out a tie with the second place Raiders in last week's action. The split was enough for the second placers to take a slim margin over the Travellers, Voyagers and Bombers into the schedule finale.

John Goltz was the hero of the Bandit charge that brought home the title and just about clinched all of the league's individual scoring honors for the season.

The Bandits went into the match needing to win one of the four points, and proceeded to do just that by posting a 16-pin win in the opener as Goltz struck out in the tenth frame.

The Raiders came back with a 1088 game that was good for two

points before the Bandits won the third game for the tie.

Goltz followed his opening 222 with games of 204 and 205 for a 631, his fourth better than 600 series. It gave him his third Bowler of the Week award and all but clinched the average crown at 185.

Butch McDougal shot a 235 to lead the middle game coup for the Raiders and he joined Goltz on the Raider Roll with a 604 total.

The Voyagers joined the Travellers in third by taking three from the Rejectors while the Travellers were breaking even with the All-Sports. Another deadlock between the Bombers and the Avengers left the former a half point further back.

The Metro Cals won three from the Sprinters, the Tigers had similar luck against the Alley Cats. The T-Birds swept the Jokers and the Lancers broke even with the Wonnors in other matches.

Jawbreakers Make Big Jump In RSA

The MICOM Jawbreakers jumped from fourth to second in RSA Officers Bowling League action last week by taking three out of four from the SAFSCOM Wheelers.

The Dentists now trail the leading Lucky Strikes by six games. However, the SAFSCOM quintet has a makeup set with the MID-ions that could add to or subtract from that margin.

The Huntsville Engineers' Hard Hats slipped a notch to third and D-2 fell to fourth to make room for the Jawbreaker advance.

Two members of the Sandbaggers set the individual scoring pace in last week's firing. Russ Bergmann put together a 553 series and Ray Parmalee was close behind at 547 and had a 207 game along the way.

The best game of the night was tossed by John Costello who totaled 211 in one of his games for the 5-Splits.



CIVILIAN CAGE CHAMPIONS—The Civilian Welfare Fund basketball season was officially closed last Friday evening with a banquet and awards ceremony at the NCO Open Mess. The championship Trophy along with a large share of the individual awards went to the Finance and Accounting five. The Accountants won the regular season crown in a playoff and then added the post season tournament crown before dropping an overtime contest in the final round of the All-Redstone championship tournament. Six members of the winning team are shown with their winning loot at the banquet. They are, left to right, Greg Bogue, Danny Franklin, Elliott Agee, John Reppert, Richard Hines and Jim Bunnell.

Larry Makanani Pilots Retired Five To Crown

Retired has virtually won the Brigade Bowling League championship for the 1969-70 season. The team will have to lose the next eight points in order to be denied the crown. And that is unlikely to happen.

The team has the momentum to carry them to the crown. This week the team faces 94-Plus, an unpredictable quintet, and the following week the second place team, probably Delta 88s, in position night finale.

In the last contest 94-Plus was scuttled by Retired and the 88s were dealt a three point loss that started Retired's move to the top.

The 88s can keep the pressure on Retired by taking four points from its adversary this week, Nuclear Weapons. But, the 88s can't be caught napping as Co. A has come on strong to move into a tie for second place with the one-time leaders.

In the individual honors department, Larry Makanani is about the only one sure of his standing. Makanani holds high average with an 188, six pins ahead of his nearest competitor, Mike Katz of 94-Plus. Don Reichert shot a 263 game last week to become the fifth bowler to hold the league's high individual game thus far.

Makanani also holds the high series score with 642. Team wise, Retired and Co. B holds the marbles. Retired has posted the league's team high game 997 while Co. B holds the high series at 2758.

In last week's action: Nuclear Weapons and Co. C split; 1st ETC shut out Half 'n' Half; 94-Plus was a three point winner over Co. B; 3rd ETC surprised Delta 88s by

forcing a split despite a 1068 game by the 88s and Co. A won three from Low Balls.

Nike Track was derailed by Five Aces 4-0; UTC and 522d Ord. split its set while Retired, paced by Makanani's sixth 600 series, white washed 200th Ord.

CALL IS OUT FOR MANAGERS

Girls softball has been added to the RSA Youth Sports program for the summer with the greatest present need being for volunteer managers.

All ladies interested in serving the dependent youths in this capacity are asked to contact Sgt. Dinkel at 837-6472.

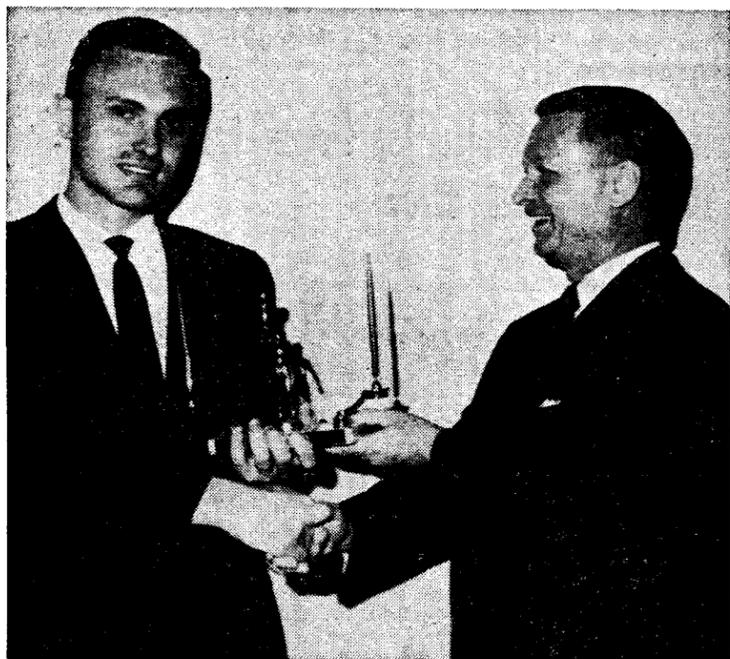
YOUTH BASEBALL SEASON OPENS

The Redstone Little League baseball season is all set for another season of play with the opening scheduled for Saturday morning.

Opening ceremonies are set for 9 a.m. on Field No. 3.

Three games are on tap for Saturday with Ajax going against the Sprints on Field No. 1. The Hercs will test the Hawks on Field No. 2 with the Nikes and the Rockets going at it on Field No. 3.

Officials of the Youth Sports Program announced that clean up time at the Little League park will be on Saturday afternoons throughout the season. All parents are invited to help starting at 2 p.m.



PRESIDENT'S TROPHY—Leonard Twinem, chairman of the Civilian Welfare Fund Council, presents the President's Trophy to John Reppert, of the Finance and Accounting quintet. Reppert was selected as the player who best coupled outstanding ability with the highest ideals of sportsmanship.

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Lucky Strikes Cop CC Title

Four quartets will be grabbing for a single prize when the Comp Center Mixed bowling league closes out its 1969-70 season at the Playmor tomorrow evening.

The Lucky Strikes clinched the league championship last week but second place is up in the air with the Spares, North Alabama College of Commerce, Bedell Florists and Main Frames all casting for the runner up spot in the final standings.

The Strikes closed out the title race last week with a shutout of the Whiskers. Ray McCormack posted the best total pinfall for the series with a 529 while his wife, Rita, rolled the best game, a 208.

NACC and the Spares take a deadlock into the final night after each earned an even break a week ago. The College four split with the Alley Ops while the Spares ended two and two with the Jesters.

Jim Traglia walked off with individual honors in shooting a 234 game in a 588 series for NACC. Howard Jess topped the Spares with 535.

The Florists won three out of four from the Skonks despite a 213 and 516 by Joe Bennett while the Main Frames dropped all four to Norm Marsh and the Gutter Dusters. Marsh turned in a 550 total.

Bedell goes into the final night a half point out of second and a half point ahead of the Frames.

Jean Cobb Tops Golf Group Play

The Golf Group sponsored by the Redstone Officers Wives Club played in two separate groups last week.

Those playing only nine holes eliminated two blind holes. Jean Cobb was the winner, Sue Huffman second, Lee Welsh, third, Marie Melochek fourth and Helen Churan, fifth.

The 18-hole group played bingo, bongo, bongo with Jane Walker the winner. In descending order were Mae Levaas, Gladys Javins and Jo Donley and Liz Fraggi in a tie. Camille Schlendering was low.

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AMC Plans To Effect Data Standardization

Major commodity commands of the Army Materiel Command are soon to achieve a degree of standardization of automatic data processing equipment and systems that has never before existed.

In 1964, the Department of the Army recognized AMC's need to develop standard systems, operat-



UNIQUE CATCH—Spec 4 Wendell E. Honeycutt displays a big Spoonbill caught in Bradford Sinks on the Arsenal. The big fish, not usually caught in this area, weighed 10 lbs. and was 3 ft. 5 in. long. Honeycutt, assigned to Hq Det., Missile Command, snagged the Spoonbill last week.

Bob Alongi Heads Civilian Softball

Final preparations for the 1970 Civilian Welfare Fund Softball league season will be drawn up at a meeting of league officials and team captains next Tuesday evening.

The meeting will be held in Room A-115 of Building 5250 starting at 4:45 p.m.

Bob Alongi was elected president of the league at the initial meeting conducted last week. At that time there were thirteen organizations that indicated an intention of fielding a team.

Joining Alongi on the newly elected slate of officers for the coming season are, Jim Thacker, secretary and publicity manager, Hal Jacobs, equipment chairman, Darwin Moss, Julian Williams and Clark Poolos.

Alongi said that the league roster will remain open until the meeting next week and that organizations not already entered can do so at that time. The league president can be reached on extension 6-2403 and Thacker is at 6-3120.

He said that plans call for the season to open during the first week of May. Practice sessions may be scheduled at the Recreation Area prior to the opening of the league season.

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The standard system has become known throughout AMC as the ALPHA System (The AMC Logistics Program-Hardcore Automated). It represents the heart of AMC's supply operations and is providing a standard system for cataloging, provisioning, stock control, supply management, procurement and production and financial management at the commodity command level.

It was initially determined that the development of the complete program would be accomplished in three phases.

Phase one required the selection of the equipment. The IBM 360

system was approved in April 1967 and ALMSA's test equipment was installed in August of the same year. In July 1969, the Aviation Systems Command, also in St. Louis, received and installed their equipment.

Phase two required the development of the system by ALMSA, testing the system on the AVSCOM computers and making it operational. AVSCOM is presently testing the system with an ALMSA liaison group on-site to assist in solving problems as they arise.

Phase three will begin after the successful conclusion of the AVSCOM test — now scheduled for July—and will include the development and implementation of all sub-systems and follow-on systems, not included in phase two.

ALPHA will be installed at all commodity commands, on a phase basis.

In addition to the prime objective of mission operation standardi-

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zation, the program will make real inroads in solving problems which have plagued the Army since the introduction of computer equipment, that is responsiveness to change.

In order to insure that the ALPHA system is responsive to the requirements of the functional managers, AMC has established seven functional coordinating groups and a Commodity Command Management Information System coordinating group. They will validate ALPHA systems design against functional manager's requirements at each level.

ALPHA is a big step in AMC's five year ADP Program, which will encompass the entire spectrum of AMC's data processing activities. It includes all of AMC's data processing equipment and functions, exclusive of analog computers and computers which are an integral part of a production process or weapon system.

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REENLISTMENTS

Well, the Reenlistment Office is still operating, and in the same place, Bldg. 3210. The office has reported that 12 have taken the oath for extended service this week. Those reenlisting were: For three years—SSG Paul Lawrence, Hq. Co.; SFC Donald Armaral, 6th ETC; SFC Gilberto Ayala-Pagan, Co. C; SP6 Roeward Greene, Co. B; SFC Wilford Fisher, 4th ETC; SFC Jesse Johnson, Co. C and SFC Nathaniel Lewis, Co. C. For six years—SFC Glenn Parsons, 9th ETC; SFC Robert Peterson, 5th ETC; SSG Clarence Hoopii and SFC Delano Sandlin, Indian Head, Md. For four years—SP4 William Fisher, Hq. Co.

AWARDS

School personnel continue to reap the benefits of the Incentive Awards Program. Fifteen were honored for outstanding service last week in the Commandant's Office. The awards were: Outstanding Performance Rating Certificate and Quality Increase—Bettye A. Dugger and James E. Hollingsworth, Log. Outstanding Performance Rating Certificate—Carol T. Bice and Charles W. Gibson, Ofc of Opns.; Dorothy D. Cagle, Jack L. Matthews, Boydston Moorman

and Nancy R. Wright, D&NM; John M. Gullick, Jr., DIT; Kenneth R. Hertha and Elizabeth R. Reddick, Compt.; Gladys T. Wood, Harold J. Rutherford, Robert E. Scheffler and Mary M. Wright, Log.

At OTD, CPT Joseph T. Whitaker was presented the MMCS Certificate of Achievement for outstanding performance as an instructor in the Log. Div.

BON VOYAGE

Bon Voyages will be echoed throughout the school for those personnel scheduled to retire this month. Heading the list of potential retirees is Col. Paul B. Schuppener. Others on the list are SGM Walter J. Brennan, Co. B and MSG James M. Crowell, Hq. Co. The best to all of you.



CAPT. JAMES AMATO
 Graduation Speaker

GRADUATION SPEAKER

The commanding officer of the 249th Ord. Det., CPT. James D. Amato, has been selected to address the graduates at the Post Theatre ceremonies Friday. CPT Amato assumed command of the unit after completing the Ammunition and Missile Maintenance Officer Course at the school. He is a graduate of the University of Connecticut where he obtained his bachelor of science degree in Electrical Engineering and his commission as second lieutenant through ROTC. CPT Amato has attended the Ordinance Officers Basic Course and the Nuclear Weapons Officer Course. His assign-

ments have been in Europe and Thailand.

PROMOTIONS

A raise in pay via the promotion route was realized by members of the command this week. The promotions were: To CPT—Douglas R. Morris, 249th Ord. Det. To MSG—Kenneth G. Todd, Co. B and A. R. Logsdon, Co. D. To SFC—Robert H. Castleberry, Co. D and Mert L. Sodersten, Jr., Hq. Co. UTC. To SSG—Robert C. Nichols, Co. C.

2ND BATTALION REPORTS

Recognition of the Soldier of the Month, two honor units and the presentation of promotion orders for personnel completing the Skill Base Development training highlights events in 2nd Bn. The ceremony took place last Monday near Battalion Headquarters. PFC Michael Baker, 7th ETC, received the Soldier of the Month trophies for being named SOM at battalion, brigade and post level. The 7th ETC took top honors in the Military Category I blood donations for the second time this year. The unit contributed the largest amount of blood during the bloodmobile visit in March and January. The Honor Company plaque and guidon streamer went to the 5th ETC. The unit, commanded by CPT R. D. Lowe, captured the honor for the third straight month. The company was best in the battalion in the area of barracks maintenance and cleanliness, area police, administration and overall company operations. The following personnel received promotions to E-5 as a result of completing the SBD training: Jimmie R. Calloway, Thomas H. Askew, Robert G. Berkeimer, Charles R. Brown, Kerry Childers, Lairy J. Cooper, Hunter L. Cox, William J. Drangsholt, Thallis I. Malowe, Leo Valentin, George H. Hill and Charles L. Weir.



SP4 COLONNA
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SOLDIER OF THE MONTH

Unit Training Command has selected its soldier of the month for the month of March. Selected by a senior non-commissioned officer's board, SP4 Gene C. Colonna was selected to represent the command at the MMCS competitions. Colonna, assigned to the 255th Ord. Det., entered the service May 1969, and completed basic training at Ft.

Sixty-Three Graduate From Missile School

Among the 63 graduates of Friday's MMCS graduation were two recipients of the Association of the United States Army (AUSA) award.

Donald Maliskey, AUSA representative, presented plaques to PFC Ronald J. Baker of Mission Hills, Calif., having a 96.0 in the Sergeant electrical-mechanical repair course and to Pvt. Dan A. Pally of Milwaukee, Wisc., having a 99.6 in the guided missile repair course. This award is presented only to those students who achieve an average of 96 or higher in their studies.

Guest speaker, Maj. James L.

Benning, Ga. He attended Virginia Tech. after graduating from Northampton High School, Eastville, Va. SP4 Colonna is a light air defense electrical repairman.

Osborn, Chief, Technical Research Branch, MMCS, presented certificates of recognition to SSG Guy Dans, Belgium, with a 92.4 in Nike radar and computer repair course; PFC Bosis J. Castle of Everett, Wash., with a 95.5 in the Pershing Guidance and Control Repairman course; PFC Peter C. Eberlin, Gadsford, Pa., with a 93.7 in the Nike high power acquisition radar and radar simulator repair course; and PFC Creed M. Haigh, having a 94.1 in ammunition records and hailing from Stuttgart, Ark.

Prior to the awards presentation, Maj. Osborn advised the graduates to continue their quest for knowledge and to expand and further their education. He emphasized that education is not the only requirement needed to meet today's constant changes; one must have, in addition, an open mind and a receptive mind.

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Two hundred eleven of the

awards are four-year scholarships being awarded to high school seniors from Third Army Area while the remainder are two-year scholarships awarded to college students who are completing their second year of ROTC training.

Robert W. Burnstine and John R. Mattern, both seniors at Lee High School, and Stephen D. Abernathy of Butler High have been awarded four-year scholarships while Michael C. Mauldin, a student at the University of Alabama will receive a two-year scholarship.

The scholarships pay for tuition, textbooks and laboratory fees and also provide a subsistence allowance of \$50 per month.

Authorized by the ROTC Vitalization Act of 1964, the scholarships are designed to provide financial assistance to students interested in becoming commissioned officers through the Army ROTC Program.

Following successful completion of their ROTC studies and graduation from college, scholarship recipients are commissioned as second lieutenants and serve a minimum of four years on active duty with the Army.



PREPARATIONS FOR BENEFIT—The Redstone Officers Wives Club members almost have their scenery ready for the Bourbon Street Night supper and gala which has become an annual charity fund-raising event, this year on April 25 beginning at 6:30 p.m. Mrs. Robert M. Pearce (left) is the general chairman for the event. The others, left to right busily painting are: Mrs. John Winters, Mrs. Robert D. Funke, decorations chairman and Mrs. D. T. Workizer. Mrs. Edward M. Dooley is the honorary chairman and tickets are the responsibility of Mrs. James W. Ferguson and Mrs. Elby J. Crochet.

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Dr. McDaniel Challenges Instrumentation Engrs.

The Director of Army missile research challenged instrumentation engineers to play a more active role in the next decade in the national effort to improve the quality of our environment.

Dr. John L. McDaniel, the Army Missile Command's director of research and engineering, said in a keynote speech prepared for delivery today at the Ninth Annual Exhibit and Technical Exchange of

the Huntsville Section, Instrument Society of America, that instrumentation engineers should become more involved in human needs.

"You cannot sit on the sidelines of the technological explosion," Dr. McDaniel told the group meeting at The Mall. He encouraged the engineers whose job is designing better instruments to measure scientific phenomena to apply their knowledge and experience in solving the problems of insufficient medical care and increasing pollution.

The Ninth Annual Exhibit and Technical Exchange continuing

through tomorrow at The Mall consists of exhibitions of the products of various instrumentation manufacturers and conference sessions for the presentation of technical papers.

EXPLODING STARS

The Rocket City Astronomical Association will present two programs at 2 and 4 p.m. in the Planetarium on Monte Sano Saturday.

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PROMAP-70 Will Use Missile Command System

An Army Missile Command program requiring systematic hard looks, by a team of experts, at a missile system before committing it to quantity production, has been adopted as a model for use in the Army Materiel Command's major new program to improve the process of weapons acquisition.

The system of intensive review—called Production Management Review in MICOM's Procurement and Production Directorate where the concept took shape—involves in-depth examinations at contractor plants to spot problems and potential ones before major funds are committed to buy items for the Army in quantity.

Gen. Ferdinand J. Chesarek, Commanding General of AMC, heard about the system, learned more about it in a recent visit to Redstone Arsenal, and directed that it be incorporated into PROMAP 70.

PROMAP-70, formally known as the Program for the Refinement of Materiel Acquisition, is AMC's new program designed to improve the materiel acquisition process.

Some of the immediate goals of PROMAP-70 include: 1.) Reduction of over-optimism by both government and industry in initial cost estimates. 2.) Improve in assessment of technical risks and program costs prior to system development. 3.) Controlling changes once programs are underway. 4.) Increased use of competitive prototypes emphasizing "try before buy" practices. Many of these concepts are already in effect on MICOM managed missile systems, but are experiencing a special reemphasis under the new program.

Problems that crop up once quantity production begins almost invariably add additional cost—at times it is substantial—and de-

lay the delivery of military hardware to soldiers.

The Missile Command review system, recognizing that problems are bound to turn up in the process of acquiring any complex items of hardware, turned its sights on events that occur prior to production.

In early tests of the program on a missile system nearing the point when it would phase from development into production, a MICOM review team turned up more than 20 deficiencies. MICOM was able to take corrective action with the contractor and other government agencies supporting the system and head off potential trouble.

J. W. Haney of the Missile Command's P&P Directorate, has been working with the Production Management Review System since its inception in 1968. The operation is now formalized in a MICOM regulation and is applied to all major hardware programs managed by the Missile Command.

Haney explained that the MICOM system involves four independent looks at a particular program:

1.) The first review, while the missile system is still in the development phase, concentrates on design stability, documentation and configuration control, development and reliability test results, technical problems, and deficiencies requiring correction during advance production engineering (APE). The review team determines if the program is ready to move into APE.

2.) A few months after award of the APE contract, a second review assures that the APE effort is properly oriented and progressing on schedule.

3.) During the latter stages of the APE effort, a third check weighs progress against requirements and determines that the APE effort fully supports the on-



PERSHING P-1A COMPUTER—As part of its two and one half week tour of the U. S. a Swiss Air Group visited the Missile and Munitions Center and School. The group travelled to Cape Kennedy to witness the Apollo 13 moon shot. Here SFC Harold Pierce, Co. D, explains to Miss Lilo Seemueler of Zurich and Josef A. Stemmer of Niederlenz, a panel board which is part of the new P-1A Pershing computer. Stemmer has a radio program in Switzerland on rockets. The tour is sponsored by the American Express International.

coming production program.

4.) Once the missile system moves into the production phase, but before hardware is actually produced, a fourth review looks at documentation control, plant layout, acquisition of industrial production equipment, special tooling and test equipment, and progress of subcontractors and government furnished property suppliers.

These independent management reviews are performed by teams of 20 to 30 experts from various MICOM elements and include representatives from Procurement and Production, Supply and Maintenance, Research and Engineering, and Management Science. In some cases individuals from other elements of AMC are called upon to serve as team members.

Gen. Chesarek's interest in the program resulted in Haney being

sent to AMC Headquarters to brief other commodity commands on the MICOM program, and to set up the framework for an AMC regulation.

While benefits from the reviews vary from system to system, MICOM experience clearly indicates that identification and correction of problems encountered early in the program save time and money for the government and the contractors. Better missile systems at less cost is the name of the game and MICOM is constantly striving to attain this goal.

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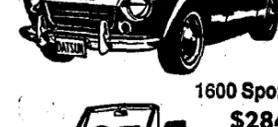
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Engineers Compete In Indoor Flying Meets

Rex Powell, Tom Killough and Charlie Brazzel of the U. S. Army Missile Command's Research and Engineering Directorate have a lot in common. All are aerospace engineers; all work for the Advanced Systems Laboratory, and all are fiercely dedicated to promoting the unusual hobby of indoor model flying.

Indoor flying is a sport; one of the least athletic. Indoor modelers have the ruddy complexions of

salt miners, fingers as nimble as Van Cliburn and proudly trace their workmanship back to the guys who used to engrave the Gettysburg Address on pin heads.

They compete in absolute silence, launching models so fragile that it takes expert knowledge just to pick one up without breaking it. You don't have to be an engineer to be an indoor modeler, but it's a fact that most of the good ones are.

"It is a most interesting hobby, and all of us really enjoy the challenge," said Rex Powell, a modeler of many years. "There are a dozen or so of us here at Redstone Arsenal who constitute a small informal club known as the Huntsville Aeromodelers."

Powell explained that the Aeromodelers sponsor indoor contests for interested youngsters, trying to assist beginning indoor flyers in every way short of building the planes for them.

The most unusual feature of indoor flying are the model airplanes, designed for this type of environment.

"The flying arena is usually the Madison County Coliseum, a school gym or other large indoor area," said Tom Killough. "Since the environment is very stable as far as the wind and weather are concerned, the indoor aircraft modeler can rely on lighter framework and covering materials for his airplane."

An honest to heaven indoor model, built to achieve the longest possible flight duration, looks a lot more like an overgrown insect than the average person's idea of an airplane.

Tom opened a large brown cardboard box and assembled an indoor model that seemed more illusion than reality. The craft was about the size of a large dime-store glider. Its wings were frames of delicate balsa wood strips so small that a match looked like a fire-place log beside them.

The wing and tail surfaces were covered with a gossamer like material called microfilm (not the same as that used in data storage files) so thin that one million sheets of covering would be about the thickness of a sheet of typing paper.

"This airplane is very light," said Killough. "Twenty of these planes would barely weigh an ounce. The power to fly comes from the rubber band that turns the propeller. The rubber accounts for 50% of the total aircraft weight."

Flights by members of the Huntsville Aeromodelers and participants in their contests have lasted up to twenty minutes. The World's record is 44 minutes.

Tom Killough's indoor stick model flies at two point seven miles per hour with the prop turning so slowly that each revolution can be seen.

There are other types of indoor free flight aircraft.

Brazzel has an indoor scale flying model of the Church Midwing, a popular home-built plane of the thirties. It is a beautiful model painted yellow with black scallops.

"I spent almost a hundred hours building this model," professed Brazzel. He picked up the craft and wound up the rubber band



STANDBY FOR TAKE OFF—Charlie Brazzel demonstrates the correct procedure used in flying indoor scale aircraft. His plane, a Church Midwing, is modeled after a popular home-built airplane of the thirties and took Charlie over a hundred hours to build.



INDOOR STICK AIRCRAFT—Tom Killough adjusts the rubber motor of his competition indoor free-flight airplane which weighs less than 1/20 of an ounce. Despite its appearance, the wing and tail surfaces really are covered.



INDOOR BIRDMEN — Aerospace Engineers Rex Powell (left), Charlie Brazzel (center) and Tom Killough inspect the very fragile microfilm covered indoor stick flying model airplane. They are members of the Huntsville Aeromodelers, a local club dedicated to model aviation.



E-Z BEE—Rex Powell winds up his indoor flying model, the Easy "B". According to Powell, this is an excellent model for beginners, and it is still advanced enough for competition.

attached to the propeller. Gently, he placed the Church Midwing on the hallway floor, released the propeller and swung the plane through an arc as if it were taking off.

"Rules of the American Modelers Association which governs our contests require that indoor scale aircraft be released on the floor and permitted to take off like a full size airplane. After the flight it lands, hopefully without damage," said Brazzel.

Rex Powell got out his model called the Easy "B", a craft which is ideally suited for beginning modelers. It strongly resembled a reinforced version of Killough's indoor stick model. There was a difference, however. The covering was condenser paper which is much thicker than microfilm. It only takes ten sheets of condenser paper to equal the thickness of one sheet of typing paper.

According to Powell, the Easy "B" is the perfect indoor airplane for beginners since it is easy to build, but right in there with the

other competition. There are other types of indoor free flight aircraft available to enthusiasts although those mentioned above are the predominant types.

All, of course, have different flying characteristics. Killough's Indoor stick model with the microfilm covering is so light that it starts flying the minute it is released.

The same is true of the Easy "B" only, it flies a little faster. Both these planes fly as if they were suspended in molasses.

The indoor scale Church Midwing which Charlie Brazzel built has flying characteristics similar to the real McCoy. All are fun to fly and fun to watch. Powell hefted his Easy "B" and flew it through the seemingly dense air.

"Wow! look at her go! And, by the way, be sure to tell anyone interested in getting started in indoor free-flight that any one of us in the Huntsville Aeromodelers will be glad to help them all we can. Just call me at 876-5655."

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At present, the surgery at the Redstone Arsenal hospital is headed by a blue-eyed Irishman, Dr. (Maj.) Michael A. Flynn, Jr. The second member of the surgeon team is Dr. (Capt.) Robert N. McGeehee. The knots they tie would be admired by any oldtime sailing man, and the neat stitches they sew could be the envy of a seamstress.

Dr. McGeehee, a Texan inclined toward laconic speech, said he chose surgery because of its dynamic, definitive approach to a patient's illness.

Good surgeons are on hand to reassure their patients before the anaesthetist, James Cooper, puts the patient to sleep, and the doctor is usually not far away when the anaesthetic wears off.

"Techniques and methods are constantly being improved," Dr. Flynn said, "which upgrades the Army's medical program immeasurably because the young doctors they draw for an obligatory tour are generally new graduates from medical schools, internship and residencies from modern hospitals." He said he likes being on the job as a surgeon but he deplors the lack of continuity in treatment of patients because of the doctor turnover.

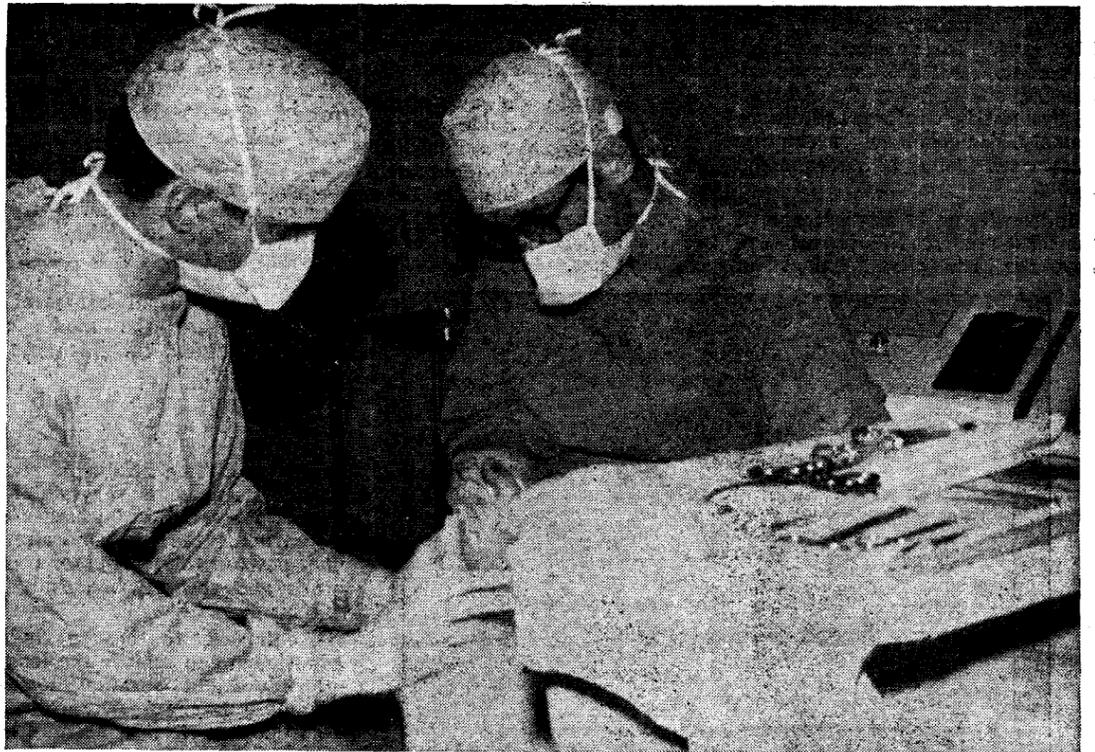
In the surgery the two men is a team which includes a surgical nurse, Maj. Nadine Daytner, and medical technicians, SP5 Larry G. Hastings, SP5 Charles R. Blanken-

ship and SFC Francis L. Caster, trained to assist the surgeon. The surgeons are steady of hand and eye and have already outlined their problem verbally before the operation began. The surgical nurse floats in the background, the anaesthetist keeps a constant check on respiration, heartbeat, color and other physical changes the patient may undergo as the operation progresses and the doctors sever skin, muscle and fatty tissue, tying off the blood vessels as they go. When they correct the patient's problem, they reverse the process, putting everything back in place again. Nature does the rest.

Dr. Flynn is from Akron, Ohio and studied medicine at St. Louis University before taking an internship at Ford Hospital in Detroit. He completed his surgical residency at the City Hospital in Akron and received his certification by the American Board of Surgery while in the Army.

Dr. McGeehee is from Mildred, Texas and trained at the University of Texas, Galveston. He interned at the famous Parkland Hospital in Dallas and had begun his post graduate training,—again at Galveston. He intends to pursue further studies in the field when his Army tour ends.

Both are married, opinionated about the good and evil that make their profession a challenge, and like most doctors, feel dedication to constant study is the only way a doctor can be both successful and true to himself.



Dr. Robert N. McGeehee and Dr. Michael A. Flynn, Jr., Army Surgeons

Flowers Named Personnel Officer For Engineers

Gewin W. Flowers former Personnel Staffing and Employee Management Cooperation Specialist of the South Atlantic Division has joined the Huntsville Division as Division Personnel Officer.

He will replace Herb Shaw who has been serving as Acting Personnel Officer since the departure of Ralph Loschialpo in January for his new position as Chief, Civilian Personnel Division, OCE, Shaw will remain as Chief, Recruitment and Placement Branch.

Flowers born in Birmingham, Alabama is a graduate of Georgia Tech with a bachelors degree in chemical engineering and from Georgia State College with a degree in commercial science.

A veteran of 29 years of government service he joined the Personnel Office staff of the South Atlantic Division in 1951 after ten years with the US Civil Service Commission. He has remained with the South Atlantic Division in various personnel assignments continuously except for a period of 4½ years as Labor Advisor to the Eighth US Army in Seoul, Korea.

The Flowers, Gewin and wife Hope, are the parents of three daughters and a son.

FIRST AID COURSE

The Red Cross will conduct a ten-hour first aid course between 9 and 11 a.m. at the Post Chapel beginning April 20.

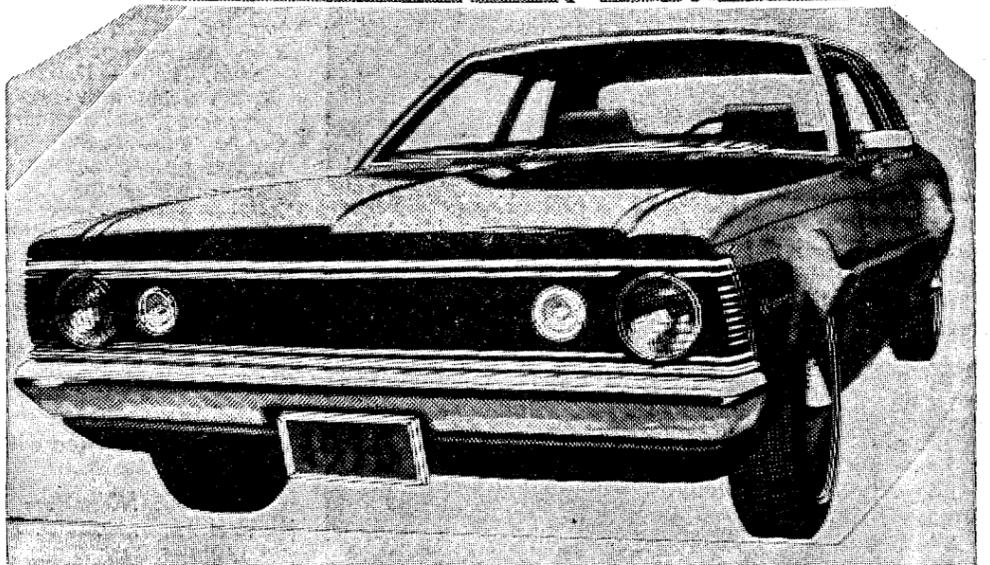
The classes will not run on consecutive days. The second class is scheduled April 21, the third April 23, and the fourth April 27 and the final class on May 4.

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Federal Retirement System Celebrates Its Golden Year

The month of May has a special connotation for Federal employees and retirees this year, as May 22, 1970, marks the Golden Anniversary of the Civil Service Retirement System being signed into law. Special observance activities are now in the planning stage and are scheduled to take place at various times during the entire month of May. The system that provides the various benefits for Federal re-

tierees and survivors of employees and retirees today is a bit different from the Act that was signed into law by President Wilson May 22, 1920. The original law provided that government employees be required to retire upon reaching 70 years of age, and provided disability retirement for those who qualified for it and had completed at least 15 years of Federal service.

NO SURVIVOR BENEFITS
There were no survivor benefits. The maximum annuity was \$60 a month and went to a retiree with 30 years of service. A minimum of \$15 went to an employee retiring after 15 years of service. Nevertheless, the 1920 law established the first worker retirement system of any consequence in the United States. Now known as the "granddaddy of retirement systems," it has provided through the years ideas and customs that have been incorporated into the retirements systems of some of our largest corporations and industries.

SYSTEM IMPROVED
It also has improved steadily during its half century of existence and it appears that the improvements will continue in the future. Some 25 Congresses have been convened during this period and each has passed an amendment improving the law, thus improving the system. The result to date is the inclusion of such provisions as disability benefits, survivor benefits, and "discontinued service" annuities for persons who leave the Government service, but choose to leave

their retirement contributions intact, then begin drawing the benefits upon reaching 62 years of age. A highlight of the observance of the 50th Anniversary of the Retirement Act is a banquet scheduled for May 26 at the Statler-Hilton Hotel in Washington, D. C. Thomas G. Walters, National President of the National Association of Retired Civil Employees, is general Chairman of the planning group which includes representation from Federal employees organizations and the Civil Service Commission.

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Committee Will Report Engineering Contributions

Earl Kramer, acting chief of the Site Support Division of the Safeguard System Command's Site Activation Directorate, travels to Houston, Texas, this week to bring two years of effort to fruition.

For the past two years Kramer has been a member of the five-man committee of the American Society of Civil Engineers engaged in investigating and documenting the roles and contributions of civil engineers in the aerospace field.

The committee will report its findings during a three-day joint conference of the ASCE and the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics meeting to explore the theme of "Engineering For the Space Environment."

Kramer's address Friday concerns "The Civil Engineer at Government Aerospace Centers."

Kramer said, "We've found that engineers are participating in the aerospace program in areas not traditionally associated with civil engineering." As an example, he said civil engineers are conducting soils mechanics studies on lunar soil for NASA.

Kramer also said the committee did not find the expected numbers of civil engineers and speculated that they lose their identity as they move outside the traditional fields.

Kramer said the roles and contributions of civil engineers in aerospace deserve recognition in any case, and especially in educa-

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CPO Tells Of Three Re-Employment Programs

The Missile Command Civilian Personnel Office has announced three different programs to assist personnel who seek another position when they are affected as the result of the current RIF.

A Reemployment Priority list for the commuting area in which Missile Command career and career-conditional personnel are separated from competitive positions will be established and maintained by the Civilian Personnel Office.

All of these personnel are automatically registered on the list unless they request to be excluded.

Under this program the separated individuals are entitled to have their names on the register for consideration in filling vacancies at federal activities within the commuting area for which they are qualified and available.

Names will be carried for two years from the date of separation for career employees for consideration in filling vacancies or positions occupied by temporary employees. Names of career-conditional employees will be on the register for one year from the date of separation for consideration of vacancies when there are no career employees on the list entitled to priority placement.

Selections from this list are made in subgroup order. Persons with career status must be considered before those who are career-conditional, and within each tenure group veterans have priority over non-veterans.

Names will be removed from the list by an individual's written request, by acceptance of a non-temporary appointment, or by declining an offer of a permanent appointment in the commuting area

at a grade or salary equivalent to that held at the time of separation.

At the present time there are no temporary employees in the competitive area occupying positions for which those being separated at the Missile Command are qualified, available and entitled.

A second service is called the Department of Defense Priority Placement program and is commonly called the DoD Stopper List. It covers personnel scheduled for involuntary separation, or change to a lower grade by a RIF and provides consideration for placement in other DoD activities.

Personnel affected by the RIF may register for up to five skills at acceptable grade levels that don't exceed their present grades provided they meet the basic Civil Service qualifications for such skills.

Registration will generally be for DoD activities in Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Mississippi, North and South Carolina, Tennessee, Arkansas, Louisiana, Oklahoma and Texas.

A list of the installations in these areas will be included in notices going to employees to be separated.

Registration in this program is not automatic, and must be requested.

Those who register will stay on the list until they are either selected, removed by their request, removed for other valid reasons, or the time limit expires.

Personnel being separated will stay on the register for six months, and those involved in demotion receive consideration only during the advance notice period (20 April-29 June, 1970).

Anyone who registers in this program must be sure that he is willing to leave the commuting area around the Missile Command, and that he is definitely available and interested.

The third plan is the U.S. Civil Service Commission Displaced Employee Program. Assistance under this program will apply only to those who are separated by a RIF.

Inclusion in the program is upon request, and will entitle a person to placement assistance within any one regional office of the Civil Service Commission, and for consideration for employment opportunities in the Washington, D.C. area, if desired.

An individual displaced by the RIF may apply for placement assistance by the Commission as soon as he has received a RIF notice or other advance notice of displacement. He must apply no later than 90 days after the date of separation.

In order to enter this program, a person must complete a Standard Form 170 (Application for Federal Employment) using a typewriter or a ball point pen, and specify the lowest grade and salary he will accept and the geographic areas in which he is willing to accept employment.

The job application form is available in administrative offices and should be completed before bringing it to the Civilian Personnel Office for counselling.

Personnel registered in this program receive priority referral which means they are referred to agencies for possible employment ahead of eligible applicants on Civil Service registers.

A career displaced employee is eligible for placement assistance under this program for two years, and a career conditional employee for one year, from the date he was separated or from the date he entered the program, whichever is later.

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In addition to other benefits, a displaced employee will be able to apply after the closing date for entrance of his name on existing competitive Civil Service registers in regular order.

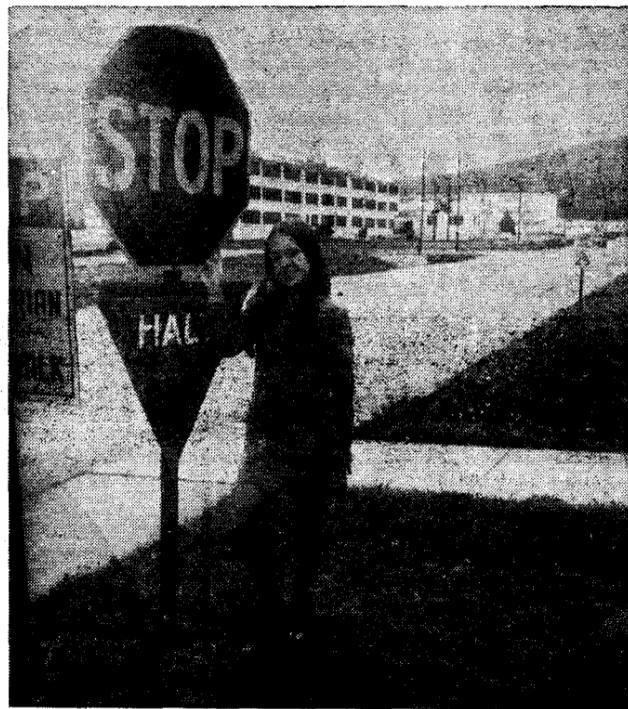
This application must be made within 90 days after separation. The late filing privilege applies only at grades higher than the grade he held when separated.

Officials at the Missile Command Civilian Personnel Office have stressed that personnel being displaced should indicate their interest in all the programs they elect at the same time so that one counselling session will cover all programs.

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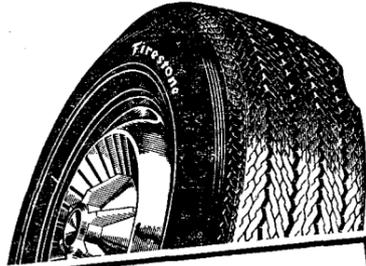
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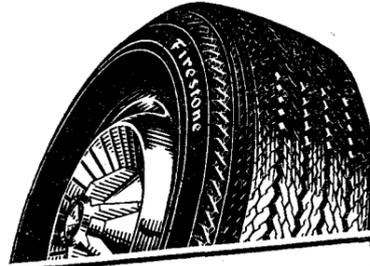
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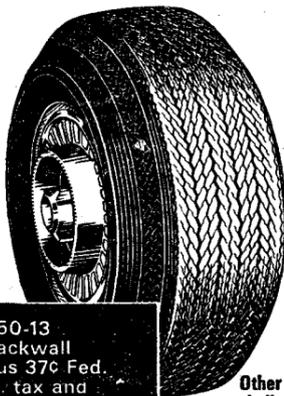
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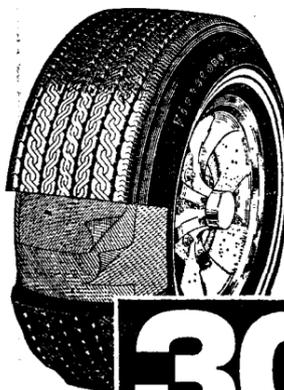
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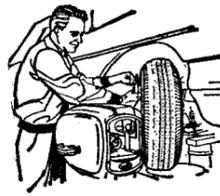
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