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Dragon Is . . .

Best Weapon Yet For Foot Soldier

Sergeant First Class Billy McKeith has seen a lot of the world since he joined the Army—far away places like Korea, Philippines, Thailand and Vietnam.

And his training with Special Forces not only has taken him where the action was but has made him an expert with Army weapons—everything from rifles, to mortars, to heavy artillery pieces.

But McKeith fired a new weapon last week that impressed even him.

"It's the best weapon I've seen in 16 years in the Army," he said.

The 37-year-old Columbia, La., native was describing Dragon, a shoulder-fired tank killer that he'd never heard about until assigned to Redstone.

"It's light—a soldier can sling one over his shoulder and it can be carried easily with another weapon," McKeith said about Dragon which will weigh approximately 30 pounds when it goes into production.

But what he particularly likes is that Dragon gives the infantryman a knockout punch against his classic enemy—the tank.

"When I was in Vietnam," McKeith recalled, "enemy tanks knocked out a special forces camp which didn't have weapons to effectively fight enemy armor. And Marines at Khe Sanh suffered heavy casualties and damages before air support came in and knocked out nine tanks."

"Boy, what they couldn't have done with a few Dragons," McKeith said.

How does he compare Dragon with other weapons he's fired?

"There's no comparison," he answers. "For the infantryman, airborne troops or special forces, I think Dragon is the best weapon they could get—not only for armor, but to use against bunkers or other field fortifications."

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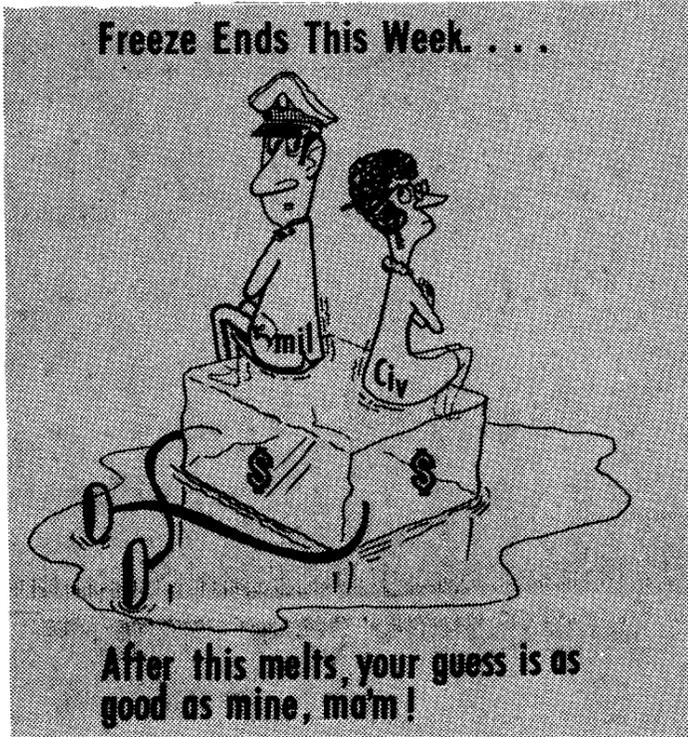
Huntsville Mayor Delivers Message

A Tri-Faith Ecumenical Service of Thanksgiving will be celebrated Sunday, November 25 beginning at 10 a.m. in the post chapel.

Huntsville Mayor Joe Davis will be main speaker. He has selected "Thankful Citizens as Children of God" as his topic.

Persons attending the ceremony are requested to bring items of food instead of the usual monetary offering. The food will be presented as an oblation of Thanksgiving to God and will be taken to the Harris Home for Children in Huntsville immediately after the service.

During the ceremony, Brigadier General Louis Rachmeler, MICOM deputy commanding general, will read President Nixon's Thanksgiving Proclamation.



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CAFETERIA SPECIAL

Barbecue ribs is the special menu at the civilian cafeterias on Friday.

The complete special is, one pound barbecued ribs, baked beans, cole slaw, bread and butter, and a drink, coffee, tea or soda. And all for 96 cents too.

NATO Group Here For Talks

You might hear several different languages at Redstone this week that you don't normally hear.

That's because people from eight NATO countries are gathered at the Missile Command to talk about explosives.

The group, about 40 strong, is meeting here at a conference sponsored by the Army Materiel Command to standardize techniques in explosive devices among NATO allies.

One of the highlights of the week-long conference will be a demonstration Thursday at the Army Missile and Munitions Center and School conducted by explosives experts from the Army, Navy and Marines.

This is the second NATO meeting hosted by the Army in the United States. The first was in 1967.

Countries represented include the United States, United Kingdom, Netherlands, Canada, Germany, Belgium, Norway and Denmark.



GANG'S ALL HERE—Only one man was missing when Senior Staff Technical Representatives of the Missile Command last week gathered for talks. All are assigned to the Directorate for Maintenance under Lt. Col. D.S. Fugit (seated). From left, Maj. Richard L. McLennan, Ft. Sill, Okla.; Lt. Col. Robert MackIntosh, U.S. Army Europe; Kenneth Easter, Army Air Defense Command; Maj. George Huffman, Okinawa; Col. Fugit; Maj. Ernest Divis, Ft. Bliss, Lt. Col. Alfred Downs, USARPAC. Missing is Maj. H. Bruce Mueller, just recently assigned to Eighth Army, Korea.

Responsibility There Despite Uncertainty

About the only sure thing that can be said at this time concerning the 1972 Combined Federal Campaign is that it produced the greatest response ever in the Huntsville area.

The six-week fund raising drive was officially closed last Friday with more than \$540,000 in the bank. Scattered donations continue to be received, pointing to an even higher final report.

The largest previous contribution raised was two years ago when the final amount totaled \$531,000. Last year Federal military and civilian personnel donated \$506,000 for distribution to the many health, welfare and social service agencies for whom the drive is held.

During the next couple of weeks, the CFC Finance Chairman, Gene Sisson, will prepare his final report including the official breakout of funds as designated by contributors.

The final report will be forwarded to the Civil Service Commission and will be published in the Rocket as soon as available.

Abner McNaron, the Area CFC coordinator, commended Federal workers highly for their outstanding response to the needs of others in view of the uncertain times.

He remarked that the campaign was conducted during the period of the President's wage freeze and that the local Federal payroll had been reduced by over a thousand persons since the previous drive.

"Despite all of this," McNaron said, "local personnel realized they had a job to do, and they went out and accomplished it just as they have always done."

Weather Bad. . . How's Your Car?

The season for quick changes resulting in extreme weather conditions is here. Despite conditions, however, it is imperative that the maximum work force be maintained to carry out the mission of this Command.

Each civilian and military employee of this Command should make preliminary arrangements and maintain the necessary equipment to insure his ability to report to work under severe weather conditions.

The Army will make every effort to provide open roads so that work areas can be reached safely.

Administrative leave or excused absence, not charged to leave, will not be granted except in rare instances.

Per Diem Rate Now Computed On Costs

A new method of computing the per diem allowance is the principal change affected by recently revised Defense Department travel regulations for civilian personnel.

Several significant changes are already in effect at Redstone while other will be implemented at a later date.

The per diem allowance has been changed to the average daily cost of lodging plus \$11.80 per day for meals and other incidentals, rounded to the next dollar. The former \$25 per day flat rate now becomes the maximum under the new system.

Travellers are required to state the average daily lodging costs on their reimbursement voucher. Receipts for the lodging are not

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The Redstone Rocket

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Rocket Ruminations

Life is just one damned thing after another.
Frank Ward O'Malley

Answers

(Editor's Note: The MICOM Information Office accepts job-related questions of general interest to all MICOM personnel, military and or civilian. Questions may be submitted by telephone, 876-4161 or 876-4400, or by arsenal mail to the Information Office, Rm. A-134, Bldg. 5250. This program is designed for questions of general interest.

QUESTION: Until recently, employees returning from overseas were not given special consideration for re-promotion, since their request to exercise re-employment rights was considered a demotion at their own request. What regulation covers the change in policy which now permits the special consideration which was formerly denied such employees?

ANSWER: There has been no change in the regulation. Special consideration for repromotion is covered by FPM 335, Subchapter 4, paragraph 2-3c (2). Although special consideration for repromotion of employees demoted without personal cause was not formerly interpreted as including employees returning from overseas, AMC has recently determined that these employees are entitled to special consideration for repromotion to a position at his former grade (or any intervening grade) for which he has demonstrated that he is well qualified.

QUESTION: At the Army Missile Command, how many people are currently employed at the various General Schedule levels, GS-1 through GS-18?

ANSWER: As of October 1, 1971, the General Schedule employment at MICOM by grade level was as follows:

GS-1, 1;	GS-10, 94;
GS-2, 8;	GS-11, 1105;
GS-3, 162;	GS-12, 1338;
GS-4, 396;	GS-13, 966;
GS-5, 579;	GS-14, 374;
GS-6, 230;	GS-15, 153;
GS-7, 321;	GS-16, 10;
GS-8, 120;	GS-17, 1;
GS-9, 629;	GS-18, 0.

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The regulation says to use low beam when a drivers' visibility is reduced to 500 feet or less by reason of rain, fog, other weather conditions, smoke, dust and periods of natural darkness. Also, the low beam is used when within 500 feet of an on-coming vehicle or when following another vehicle within 500 feet when it's dark.

According to the Post Safety Office, some people use parking lights because they think the battery will be discharging if they use low beam and are not traveling at a high rate of speed. Modern vehicles are so constructed that the battery is charging any time the motor is running.

Parking lights are much harder to detect when in use on an approaching vehicle and pose a definite safety hazard. There are people, too, according to the Safety Office, who think a vehicle is parked if they see parking lights and don't recognize that it is moving.

RECORD TO BE PROUD OF. Employees of the Maintenance Directorate have compiled an enviable in their voluntary support of the Red Cross Blood program and they want visitors to Building 5681 to know that they are proud of it. The honor roll lists the names of 77 personnel who have contributed from two to over seven gallons of blood and contains a picture of the Donor of the Month. Roy Hood is on hand as Colonel Daniel Fugit, the Director, recognizes him as the first monthly winner. An equipment specialist, Hood is working on his eighth gallon. The honor roll was designed by Ralph Prince and built by James Wilkes, both employees of the Publications Illustrations Branch.



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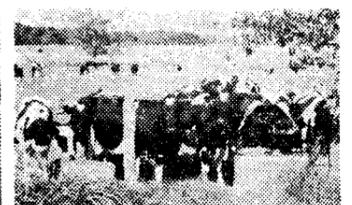
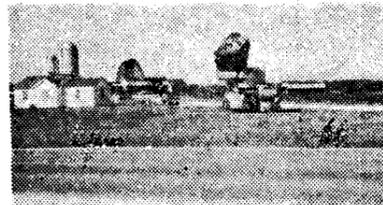
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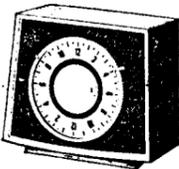


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PROUD TRADITION—Maj. Gen. Edwin Donley presented another in a long line of Army Materiel Command safety awards to the Huntsville Division of the Thiokol Corp. last week. John Goodloe, general manager of the Arsenal-based facility, accepted the award for the entire Thiokol workforce that now has recorded over three million manhours without a disabling injury.

Limit On Award Fails To Halt Thiokol Record

Thiokol Chemical Corporation's Huntsville Division has won the Army Materiel Command's top safety award for 1971.

Maj. Gen. Edwin I. Donley last week presented the AMC Award of Honor for Safety to John H. Goodloe, Vice President and General Manager of the Redstone-based facility.

In winning the coveted award, Thiokol competed against 21 installations which included three AMC organizations—the Missile Command, Army Weapons Command and Army Electronics Command.

General Donley told Thiokol: "This is becoming a proud tradition. But perhaps this award can be regarded more highly than others because the rules were changed this past year to limit the number of awards made."

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Also participating in the presentations were T. R. Gooch, Thiokol's safety manager and Robert Seavers, safety director for the Missile Command's Redstone Arsenal Support Agency.

Thiokol now has recorded more than three million civilian man hours without a single disabling injury which is estimated to have saved the company more than \$240,000.

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McKeith said many times while on reconnaissance missions in Vietnam "... I saw enemy armor. But usually by the time I could get air support the armor was gone or else dug in so effectively that we couldn't do anything with them."

"If our squad had had a few Dragons we would have had firepower to handle almost anything," he said.

At Redstone McKeith is evaluating a training program for Dragon gunners and he is the Army's advisor to the Dragon Project Manager at the Missile Command—Robert P. Whitley.

McKeith has been with Special Forces since 1963 and says his Redstone assignment is the first stabilized tour he's had since that time.

PER DIEM

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required. A sample statement is: "The average daily cost of lodging paid for myself only during the period to was \$. . ."

The statement covers commercial lodging only and is not required on travel vouchers when Government quarters are utilized for the entire period of the trip.

The new method of computing per diem allowance went into effect on October 10.

Another revision, effective on the same date, discontinued the reimbursement to travelers for the cost of purchasing extra collision insurance in connection with rental automobiles.

However, reimbursement for personal funds paid for damage sustained by a rented auto while being used for official business is authorized. Claims for such expenditures must be supported by appropriate documentation and receipts.

A more liberal policy is now in effect regarding leave for part of a workday while in a per diem status.

Leave for part of a workday not extending into the next workday, and totaling up to one-half of the prescribed working hours, will be

disregarded for per diem purposes.

If the leave extends to more than half of the prescribed working hours, one half of the authorized per diem will be allowed. Previous regulations did not make this provision.

Provisions for paying per diem to travellers taking leave in conjunction with their official travel have also been somewhat liberalized.

Travellers are now considered to be in a per diem status on non-work days unless they have returned to their duty station or home, of if they are in a leave status at the end of the workday preceding the nonwork day and at the beginning of the following workday, and the period of leave on either of those days is over half of the prescribed working hours for that day.

Per diem will not be paid for more than two non-work days when the leave is immediately preceded and followed by non-work days.

Wives Coffee

The Safeguard Officers Wives group will meet for coffee at 10 a.m. at the Redstone Officers Open Mess on Monday for the last time until after the holidays.

Betty Ericksen, 837-5077, is handling reservations until noon tomorrow.



JOINT SERVICE AWARD—Lieutenant Colonel Orion J. Hyde, recently assigned to the Safeguard Logistics Command, has received the Joint Service Commendation Medal for achievements while serving in Cambodia. He is in the Materiel Management Directorate, chief as of the Plans, Program and Procedures Office.

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By now, two 48-hour courses have been completed with 26 students enrolled in each and a third is underway.

The course is doing what it was

designed to do - give people with high school educations but with two years of college or less, an opportunity to improve their job performance, help them qualify for further training and related advancement, and to bolster their long-range potential.

Different Now

"I hadn't had a chance to study math since I was in high school, and I didn't do very well then because math courses scared me to death," said Edna Anderson, a

secretary-stenographer in SAFLOG. "The math in the course woke me up to what it is all about, people helped me with my assignments and I enjoyed it. My success gave me confidence, and I want more training."

Lorenzo Cruthcher who works in the MICOM Directorate for Maintenance is enrolled in the current course. "It's interesting," he said, "and I want to get enough out of it to pass the Federal Service Entrance Examination."

One of the great advantages of the course is that it is offered during working hours. For many people who sincerely desire to improve themselves, this is a key factor. "Finding time to take courses at night isn't always easy," Doris Kirkpatrick to the Legal Office said, "yet I want to keep furthering my education and improving my ability so I can do a better job. It's a good course."

A mail and file clerk in the Patent Division, Doris Toney, enjoyed the course, and wishes still more time could be spent on each subject presented. "What I learned has helped me in my work, especially the English. I don't use the math much now, but I'd like to be a computer programmer, and all I learn now helps for the future."

Lloyd Cox is convinced the course will help him to move to a better position. "I'm glad I volunteered to take it - it's a pretty

good course. He's a supply clerk in the Redstone Arsenal Support Activity.

Advance Skills

The course introduces students to effective techniques of study and prepares them for advanced training in English, mathematics, reading skills, vocabulary, and social and natural sciences. Throughout the course students practice reading skills and through comprehensive vocabulary study, work to improve their comprehension. Each student received two text books and many pages of specially developed handouts featuring problems and exercises to be completed as homework.

"The students kept up a high attendance record throughout the courses that have been completed," John Heath, in the Civilian Personnel Division Training Branch, said.

"The results of devoted student effort show up in a comparison of grades made on the preliminary evaluation test and the final examination. On the preliminary test, the average was 52 percent. On the final exam, it was 90 percent."

He said that some of the students plan to take the College Level Entrance Examination and feel that the course will help them successfully complete the English composition, mathematics, and social and natural science portions of the general tests.

Additional Adult Education Refresher classes are scheduled to begin shortly after the first of the year.

Safeguard Trio Have "Mame" Roles

Three Safeguard System Command employees, Major Jerry Marshall, Dick Lawrence, and Leonard Flank, all active members of the Huntsville Little Theatre, have parts to play in that organization's upcoming musical comedy "MAME."

Lawrence is featured in the role of Lindsay Woolsey, Mame's erstwhile boyfriend, publisher, and financial advisor; Maj. Marshall is in charge of lighting; and Flank will handle stage props.

This musical comedy opens Friday at the temporary Civic Arts Building on Clinton Avenue.

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Trip To Third Army Meet To Winner

Nearing the end of the regular schedule of games in the Unit Level flag football league, a number of teams are looking forward to the post season tournament and a possible chance to travel to Fort Bragg for the Third Army championship.

In the American division A Company remains consistently cool on the top of the heap although the Marines are coming on fast and have started to exert a great deal of pressure. The Marines have captured eleven straight after a rather slow start. Another contender in the American are the defending champions from the Student Officer Company. B Company appears to have the inside track on the fourth playoff slot in the division.

National division competition is just as tight with the Sixth ETC presently setting on a two game bulge over the Ninth ETC.

MICOM trails by another game and a half and leads the First ETC by virtue of one less defeat. These four appear to have the

National playoff berths pretty well in tow although the Medics could rally and oust either MICOM or the First.

The championship tournament gets underway on Monday evening with the final schedule for Friday of next week. It is a double elimination event.

The Redstone champion will earn the right to compete in the Third Army meet that opens on November 29 at the North Carolina installation.

The division standings as of November 3 are:

American Division		
	W	L
A Company	15	3
Marines	14	5
SOC	12	5
118th Ord	10	8
B Company	7	12
4th ETC	6	13
157th Ord	3	16
National Division		
	W	L
6th ETC	13	3
9th ETC	11	6
MICOM	9	6
1st ETC	9	8
Medics	8	9
UTC	3	14



GETS AUSA AWARD—Dr. Harold Ritchey (right), chairman of the board of Thiokol Chemical Corp., receives an award from the Association of the United States Army from Gregory Moshkoff, first vice-president of the Tennessee Valley Chapter of AUSA. Dr. Ritchey was cited for his support of AUSA.

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Regular Rugby Slate Planned

The Special Services Office is spearheading a strong effort to put rugby on the regular Redstone athletic calendar and has put out a call for civilian and military personnel who might be interested in participating.

Practise sessions are held each Wednesday evening at the football field on Patton Road (opposite Linton Field) starting at 6:30. For those who might be interested in taking a look at the sport, a game is scheduled for Saturday afternoon with the kickoff slated for 2:30.

Specialist John Holmes is handling arrangements for the establishment of the Redstone team and has asked potential players to contact him at 876-7650.

He said that if enough interest is available on post that a full schedule of games will be arranged starting in the spring with college and military teams in this part of the country.

King Pins Move Up On Leaders

The S&M bowling league went through a belt-tightening session at the Playmor Lanes last Wednesday with the Tired Five applying the squeeze and the King Pins reaping the benefits.

Reba's took a four point lead into the session and came out bruised but still clinging to a single point on the plus side. The Tired Five took three of four from the leaders while the King Pins were sweeping the Bushwackers.

Larry Ryan stirred the Tired Five to their winning effort with 545 while Carl Black topped Rebas with 535.

Bob Doak felled 574 Maples and Vic Shellenbarger upended 536 more in the King Pin blanking of the Wackers. Buck Wade was high in the losing effort with 553.

DeVaults did a little gaining of their own, moving to within a point of second, with a shut-out of Jim's Five. Ernie Miller was the top gun with 568.

The other two shoot outs ended in deadlocks with the Pin-spotters ending all even with Bale's Rentals and MIA getting a draw with the Lot-o-Pins five.

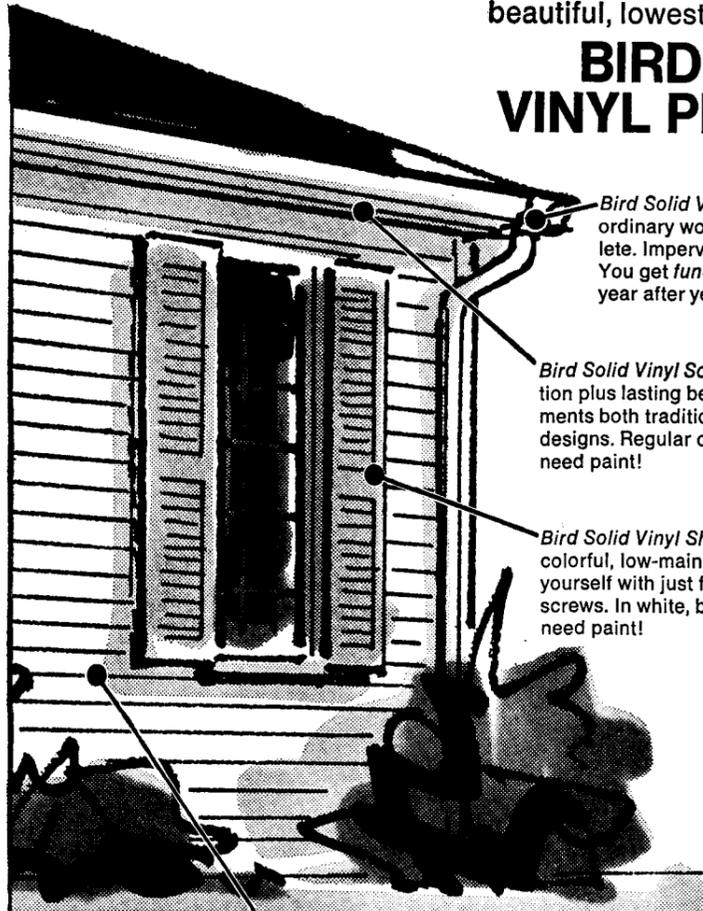
Bill Roach just missed Honor Roll status in winging a 596 total at the Spotters and the league secretary, Dick Pingry, answered Roach with a 552.

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Planning To Hunt At Redstone? Read On

Redstone hunters and their guests can get their equipment ready for the goose season, opening Nov. 15 and extending through Jan. 23. Prospective hunters are reminded they must have valid Alabama hunting licenses and a duck stamp and must check into the Game Management Office prior to hunting on the Arsenal.

Master Sergeant Duane Conley, Deputy Game Warden, makes this suggestion, "Hunters should come to the office and check hunting locations and wildfowl charts. With goose season starting next Monday and duck season on the 27th, we frequently have hunters who shoot ducks during the goose season because they are not able to properly identify them. Checking the charts and identifying the fowl before they shoot could prevent hunters from being fined for illegally shooting ducks."

Federal law specifies that goose hunters may shoot or have five geese a day in their possession, but of that number only two may be Canada geese which are the most apt to be seen locally.

Game wardens are strict, and hunters who exceed the limits set by the law will be charged.

Specialist 5 Ron Smith of the Game Management Office has charts showing the different species of ducks. The Federal law on ducks specifies the hunter may have six in possession and they have to be within the limits set on certain species.

Hunters are urged to check with the Game Warden on the limits and species and to be able to identify them before shooting. Ignorance of the law is no excuse.

Further information can be obtained by calling the Game Management Office at 876-8912.

Twenty Enrolled In Basic Course

A new basic adult education course, offered by the MICOM Civilian Personnel Division, begins Tuesday in Bldg. 5414 with 20 students from nonprofessional and subprofessional positions enrolled in the first class.

The course was announced in the summer, and is limited to those without a high school diploma or State equivalency certificate.

In the initial announcement, officials in the Civilian Personnel Division said the opportunity was being made available to help people qualify for further training, improve their job performance and long range potential.

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KNOW YOUR WILD FOWL—Spec. 5 Ron Smith, Deputy Game Warden, points out some of distinguishing marks hunters should look for when hunting geese and ducks on the Arsenal. Prospective hunters can visit the Game Management Office on Patton Road and check the charts on wild fowl. Hunters should know their ducks and geese so they won't be fined.

Weather Research Helps

Weapons developers may be concerned about how hot it gets in Timbuktu or which way the winds blow there, but the Facilities Engineer staff pours on the coal or doesn't according to weather forecasted for Redstone Arsenal.

The forecast is furnished twice a week by the Aerophysics Group of the Army Missile Command Physical Sciences Directorate. That's one of the side benefits of having professional meteorologists handy. Their primary mission is research in the atmospheric environment so they can tell missile developers how the weather up there is going to affect their hardware.

The forecasting for the Facilities Engineer started last year when a fuel shortage hit, and it was imperative that coal be conserved. With a feeling for what the weather looked like for the next few days, they could judge when or how much to fire up the steam plants and thus stretch the coal supply.

This year, although coal stockpiles rose through sizeable deliveries until the end of September, miners' strikes put a halt to this and the supply stopped growing or being replenished. On top of that, there are budgetary limitations that apply to buying coal.

The unusually long time taken to change from summer to winter conditions permitted delay in firing the steam plants, but what causes the stretchout of mild weather is still a mystery to the meteorologists.

All they can say is that there is a high pressure area over the Southeast that brings warm winds across southern states.

"It takes sometime to find the exact reason why this year's circulation behaves as it does," Dr. Oskar Essenwanger, Group chief, said. "This isn't regular weather for this time of year, but other places have had weather just as odd. It snowed in Denver September 15."

AMC Shootout On for Tonite

The cat is about to catch up with the mouse, or vice-versa as the case might be, as the AMC Bowling League rivals get together for a position night round at the Parkway Lanes tonite.

The top rung of the league's ladder will be squarely on the line when the All-Sports and the Bombers go at it on lanes 1 and 2. The Cobras, a single point behind the co-leaders, drew Sheraton for their opposition on 3 and 4.

The Bombers rolled into a share of the lead by winning three of four from the faltering Bandits while the Sports were splitting even in their duel with the Hughes TOW bunch.

John Goltz was the top bowler of the week with his 586 count for the Bandits. But the Bombers overcame the Goltz string with Joe Barnes in the lead.

The Sports got a 565 effort from Jack Vickers along with Lee Keim's 551 in their break even match with the Nick Sparks-led Tow five.

The Cobras stayed in contention with three of four from the Alley Cats as Charles McCleery upended 558 sticks and the Sheatons followed the lead of the Johnsons, George and Chris in winning three from the Chry-

ler TOWs.

Jim Sanford shot a 233 game to get the Toppers a split with the T-Birds, the Sprinters broke even with the Rejectors, and the Lancers won three points from the Fat Cats in other duels.

Doug Stephens paced the Lancers with 533 and Charley Murray rapped a 528 count for the Cats.



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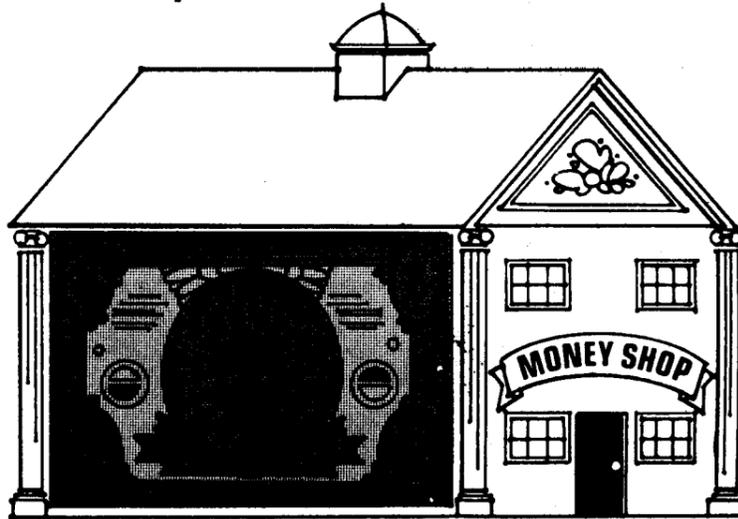
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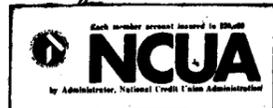
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The tree eventually formed from the shrub never grows straight. The trunk branches and the branches seldom grow straight, but the wood is as hard as white pine and much more durable when it comes in contact with the soil.

A native of the bottomlands

Advisor Speaks At HATS Congress

Harry S. Dent, formerly political advisor to South Carolina's Senator Strom Thurmond and presently special counsel to President Nixon, will speak to the Huntsville Association of Technical Societies Space Congress Wednesday, November 17 at the Sheraton Inn.

The week-long Space Congress is being presented November 15-19 in an attempt to develop a method of communicating with the general public in popular rather than technical language to bring attention to the more practical aspects of the space program.

The direct benefits of space funded research in communications, meteorology, oceanography, manufacturing processes, electronics, medicine, power and instrumentation—among others—will be reviewed by experts in the various fields.

Any individual will be admitted free for one of the days on a space available basis. Registration, including the printed proceedings, is available for a twenty dollar fee.

along the Red River Valley in Arkansas, the Osage orange is so adaptable that people all over the country have used it for hedgerows and windbreaks. That's probably how it came to Redstone.

The familiarity of the plant has earned it a number of names including Bois D'Arc because the Osage Indians probably started the practice of making bows from the elastic hardwood.

The fruit is often called hedge apple or mock orange but it is not related to those fruits at all. Instead, its cousins are the fig and the mulberry. This much maligned plant is not used for shade because it is not gracefully symmetrical but the wildlife doesn't know that, nor do the cows in the pasture.

Bowmen still search it out and refer to it as bow wood. Manufacturers are still using it in pulley blocks. It isn't marketable because its common and coarse and unlovely.

It's also dangerous because it drops its fruit at this time of year and hedge apples grow as big as grapefruit—or Osage oranges or whatever the popular name of the district in which it grows.

It once served as hedgerows on the farms where Redstone Arsenal is now located and now flourishes in tree forms in a number of areas.

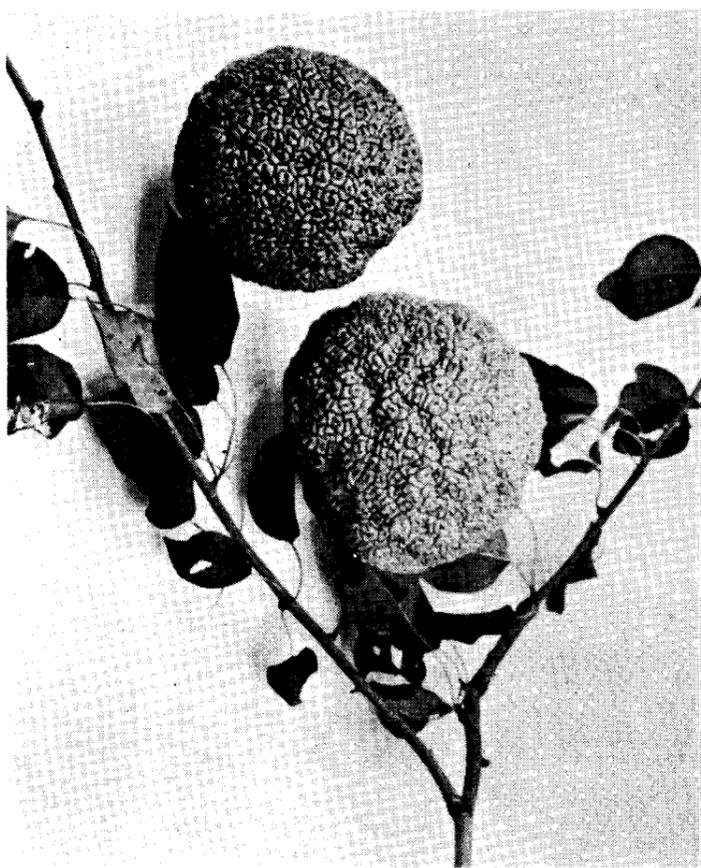
We thought we'd pass along the foregoing information, just in case there are other office's on the installation, like this, where a couple of people were wondering what in heck those big green things were.

Safeguard Hosts Range Directors

The Commanders of the United States' national test ranges met at the Safeguard System Command last Wednesday, for a discussion of the operations of their facilities.

The ten range commanders direct the installations where testing of most of the nation's armaments missiles aircraft, and military space systems is carried out.

Major General Robert C. Marshall, Commanding General of the Safeguard System Command, hosted the Range Commanders Council. General Marshall also commands the Kwajalein Missile Range, one of the national ranges.



WHAT IS IT?

What is it?

It is one of the few missiles actually produced on Redstone Arsenal, a missile favored by youngsters whose usual target is a nearby tree or fence post.

It's an Osage orange and they grow wild on the Arsenal. That's not exactly news to natives of the area but it is to the many people who work here who come from other parts of the country.

This is the time of the year the Osage oranges are dropping and a lot of people who see them on the Arsenal are encountering them for the first time.

Marine ROTC At New School

Each of the four armed services will soon have a Junior ROTC unit in Huntsville following an announcement by the Marine Corps that a unit had been approved for the new J. Oliver Johnson High School.

Now under construction in the northwest section of the city, Johnson will open its doors for

the first time next year. The Marine ROTC unit there will be one of 41 in the country.

Previously the Army installed units at Lee and Grissom High Schools. The Air Force is at Butler High School with the Navy having a unit at Huntsville High School.

Similar To Our Halloween Day

Redstone Arsenal's British Army Major-in-residence, Major Ralph A. Sewell, and his family did not celebrate Guy Fawkes day here last Friday.

It's a holiday for children (although not an official national holiday), he explained, celebrated in his native England each year on November 5th. However, his three-year old son, Martin, and nine-month old daughter, Marianne, are not old enough to appreciate it yet.

Guy Fawkes was a British conspirator noted for the infamous "Gunpowder Plot" to blow up Parliament and the King on Nov. 5, 1605. Fawkes, also a veteran of the Spanish Army, was arrested after the plot was discovered, and he revealed the names of his co-conspirators after being tortured on the rack. He was tried and convicted, and on January 31, 1606, he was executed.

Sewell compared the Guy Fawkes Day celebration to our July 4th and Halloween. "People build bonfires and shoot off fireworks," he said, "but it is generally a children's holiday." In the evening children solicit candy much like our trick-or-treaters do. "If my children were old enough to appreciate the day, I might build a bonfire here if it were allowed," the Major said.

Major Sewell has been Chief of the Course Development Division, Officers Training Department of the Missile & Munitions Center and School since last November. He is a native of Wokingham, England, about 14 miles west of London.



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Dr. Leaming is pastor of the temple. His radio ministry is heard throughout the midwest and east, in Canada and the islands of the Caribbean.

He is also founder of the Beacon College and a member of the Chaplains' Commission of the National Association of Evangelicals.

Col. Wilson

Awarded MSM

Colonel Patrick W. Wilson, Chief of the Army Field Office at Vandenberg Air Force Base, California, was presented the Meritorious Service Medal last week by Major General R. C. Marshall, Safeguard's Commanding General.

This medal recognized Col. Wilson's service as Project Manager, Division of Military Application, United States Atomic Energy Commission, from May 1969 to July 1971.



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- 3) What about the book as a Christmas gift? (ANSWER) A great idea. . . Why not? How else can you give a gift worth over \$100.00 for only \$10.00
- 4) Why wasn't your phone number put on book? (ANSWER) We goofed. Here it is, 539-4101.

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Broken Wing Award To Chopper Pilot?

Twice during his flying career Chief Warrant 4 Richard C. Grant had engine failures on his helicopters and twice he landed them successfully. The second engine failure earned the Redstone Arsenal Aviator the Broken Wing award.

The situation occurred like this: Grant was chosen to ferry a UH-1H helicopter from Davidson Army Airfield, Washington, D.C. to Redstone Arsenal. Approximately one hour after takeoff, Grant was flying along at an altitude of 2,500 feet when suddenly the engine just quit.

Grant described the action this way; "When the engine quit, the rotors automatically disengaged

and went into auto-rotation. This action is similar to free wheeling, where the rotors continue to revolve, but there is no engine power to drive them. At approximately 50 feet altitude, the pilot must change the attitude of the helicopter to slow the forward movement and apply corrective pitch at the right time to cushion the landing."

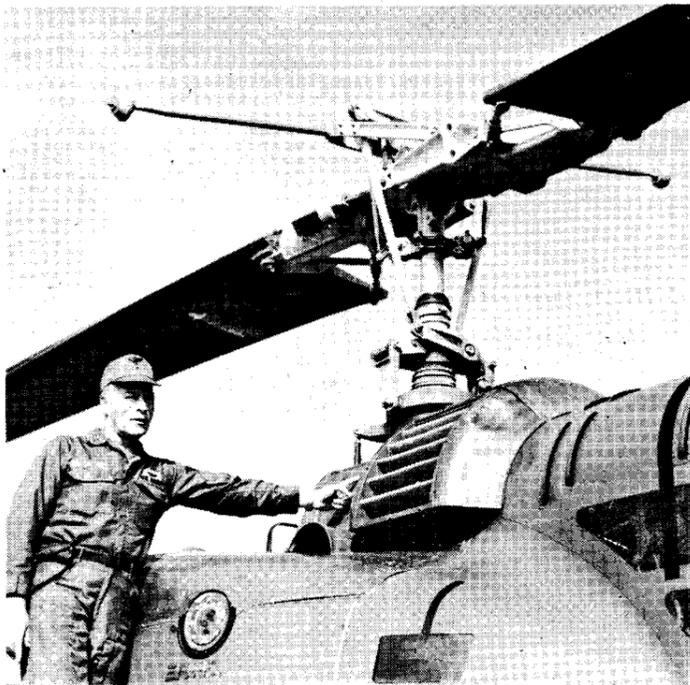
Grant was able to do all these things and landed his powerless helicopter in an open field near Charlottesville, Va. Once the engine was repaired, Grant flew the helicopter on to Redstone Arsenal.

For his successful emergency landing, Grant received the Broken Wing award from the U.S. Army Board for Accident Research.

During the interview, Grant revealed that his first helicopter forced landing occurred in Vietnam in 1966. He did not receive a Broken Wing award then, because the Army Board at Fort Rucker, Ala., had not yet established the award.

A veteran of 23 years service, Grant has been flying for the last 12 years and has had some close calls, however, he walked away unscathed each time.

While there may be an element of luck involved, Grant thinks that studying emergency procedures and accident prevention techniques has been the biggest factor in his safe flying program.



IF THE ENGINE QUILTS—CW 4 Richard C. Grant explains what happened when his engine quit and he was forced to make an emergency landing in a UH-1H helicopter. Grant explained how the rotors automatically disengage and go into auto-rotation when the engine quits. For his successful emergency landing Grant received the Broken Wing award.

Rock City Tour This Saturday

A tour of Rock City, Chattanooga, Tenn., is scheduled by the Service Club for military personnel and families this Saturday.

All persons planning on making the trip must make reservations at the Service Club today or tomorrow. The tour bus leaves the Service Club at nine on Saturday morning.

Lunch will be furnished all single military personnel making reservations.

Further information may be obtained by contacting any member of the Service Club staff. Phone No. 6-4531.

Indian Officer Given New Role

Charles W. "Chuck" James, Chief of Manpower Management for the Safeguard System Evaluation Agency at White Sands Missile Range, New Mexico, has been appointed agency superintendent of the Yankton Sioux Indian Reservation at Wagner, South Dakota.

A Choctaw Indian, James was appointed by U. S. Commissioner of Indian Affairs Louis R. Bruce.

Picatinny Gets New Commander

Command of Picatinny Arsenal, Dover, N. J., recently passed to Colonel George M. Montgomery, former Deputy Director of Development, Test and Engineering, at the Safeguard System Office (SAFSSO) in Arlington, Va.

Col. Montgomery served with SAFSSO for three years before being assigned to the Arsenal.

Audio-Visual Meet Here

Professional audio-visual managers from across the nation visited the Missile and Munitions Center and School at Redstone Arsenal last week.

They came to see how Army instructors present highly technical missile and ammunition information to military students at the global training center.

About 60 representatives of the Industrial Audio-Visual Association (IAVA) toured the Arsenal as part of a week-long national meeting in Birmingham.

At MMCS, the representatives of private industry received briefings by educational and audio-visual specialists of various departments of the missile school which has pioneered the use of television for missile training since 1958 and now is a production center for other Army schools.

Up-to-the-minute presentations of training devices included tours of the training aids production and television facilities, as well as classroom demonstrations of newly-developed and applied equipment.

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More than 4,000 Boy Scouts and adult leaders are expected to assemble at Redstone Saturday for the 1971 Roundup Awards Ceremony.

Awards will be presented by Brig. Gen. Louis Rachmeler, Deputy Commanding General, Army Missile Command; Col. Gilbert P. Levy, Commandant, Missile and Munitions Center and School; Charles Kill, Roundup Chairman; and Col. Alva J. Forsythe, Roundup Day Chairman.

Eight Boy Scouts who signed up the largest number of new scouts in their respective districts will be presented a regulation football autographed by coaches and players of Auburn University and the University of Alabama.

The roundup, which began in September, carries the theme "Touchdown for Boy Power".

Activities will begin at 8:30 a.m. with a 30-minute concert by the 55th Army band under direction of

CWO Burnon W. Lydic, Jr., Bandmaster.

At 9 the awards program to honor scouts and leaders who have done outstanding jobs in the roundup will begin with Rachmeler and Levy welcoming visitors to Redstone Arsenal. Emcee of the event is Capt. Darryl P. Yank. Col. Robert F. Mashburn, Chaplain, will deliver the invocation and benediction. Also, on the platform will be Col. Warden R. Kimmins, Director of Logistics, MMCS, and scout representative for the installation.

Following awards, scouts will see a simulated atomic explosion and a parachute drop conducted by the 20th Special Forces. They will also see demonstrations in police radar and traffic control, rappelling, and how the Navy accomplishes underwater demolition.

Other attractions include a missile display and the always

popular hot dogs and soft drinks.

Scouts receiving awards will be given a free pass to the Alabama Space and Rocket Center. Others attending the roundup may visit the Center at the group rate of 60 cents per person.

In case of inclement weather the event will be held on Nov. 20. Announcements, if postponement is necessary, will be made by local radio stations throughout the Tennessee Valley Council area.

New Gym Complete And Open

Another giant stride forward in the modernization of the Arsenal's resources for entertainment, recreation and physical conditioning was taken last week with the dedication of the new Post Gym on Honest John Road, in the troop area.

The \$265,300 facility opened its doors for use by the Redstone military community on Tuesday following a traditional ribbon cutting ceremony presided over by Maj. Gen. Edwin I. Donley.

It includes a modern basketball court, electric scoreboard, bleachers seating 350 spectators, massage room with whirlpool bath, exercise room with a universal gym, two locker-shower rooms each with accommodations for a full team, and a connecting corridor to the Workout Facility with handball courts and steam room.

The new gym replaces the old facility south of Martin Road that has been utilized since early 1956. The building that was converted from a World War II pumping station will be the home of the Civilian Welfare Fund basketball league.



ONE-GUN SALUTE—It's a little out of the ordinary, but official none the less. A recent look at the last station of Redstone Arsenal's Rod and Gun Club trap range revealed Sergeant First Class Richard R. Mann of the Unit Training Command at the Missile and Munitions Center and School taking the oath for four more years. While the commander of the Third U.S. Army's UTC, Lieutenant Colonel James I. Town, administered the oath to Mann, Master Sergeant William L. Napier prepared for a one-gun salute at station one. All three soldiers are members of the post Rod and Gun Club. Mann has completed more than 14 years of Army service.

There's something to be said for...

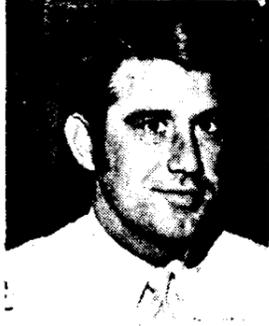
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NAMES IN THE NEWS

By PFC Jerome Mercer

Free elections are a basic element of democracy yet millions of Americans of voting age fail to register so they can vote.

Captain Herbert C. Feldmann, the commanding officer of the 1st ETC, is encouraging his men to take that all-important first step toward voter registration.

At present over 90 percent of Feldmann's 180 troops are registered.

Only ten to twenty percent of the soldiers of voting age 2nd Battalion-wide are registered to vote, according to the battalion commander, Major John P. Copens.

Before the 18 year-olds got the vote, few of the students in the 1st ETC met the age requirement for voting and little emphasis was placed on voter registration in the company. However, with the coming of the 18 year-old vote Feldmann has



FELDMANN

made it standard procedure for men processing into the company to have the opportunity to register to vote by completing an application for voter registration.

Are you registered to vote? If not, don't complain next year.

Ansick Is Back

CSM William P. Ansick, who left the School September 1970 for a 13-month tour in Korea.



ANSICK

after serving two years as MMCS's top enlisted man, is back at MMCS, this time as 1st Battalion's CSM.

The 42 year-old command sergeant major has 25 years military service behind him. He is originally from Greensburg, Pennsylvania.

Post SOM

Last week SP4 Gregory V. de Lissvoy, a Vulcan electronics repairman with the 157th Ord Detachment, UTC, was selected Post Soldier of the Month for September.

The 26 year-old Pennsylvania State University graduate is the second consecutive soldier assigned to the 157th Ord Detachment to take top honors in soldier of the month competition.

SP4 Patrick J. Barrett, Jr., was the September Post Soldier of the Month.

Kennedy HHC CO

Captain Max H. Kennedy recently assumed command of Headquarters Company, School

Brigade, replacing CPT Richard W. Bregard.

Kennedy was assigned to the Flight Operations Division of the



KENNEDY

Redstone Arsenal Airfield prior to taking command.

The 29 year-old commanding officer holds a bachelor of science degree from East Tennessee State University, Johnson City.

A native of Statesville, North Carolina, he received his commission in 1966 through participation in the East Tennessee State ROTC program.

The outgoing commanding officer, Bregard, is now officer-in-charge of alcohol and drug



BREGARD

abuse for School Brigade.

Bregard had served as Headquarters Company CO since January 1970.

Instructor of The Quarter

SSG Charles R. Dileo was recently selected as the MMCS Instructor of the Quarter in School wide competition.

The 28 year-old soldier had worked two years as an instructor in the Inspection Branch of



DILEO

the Ammunition Department before leaving this week for a tour in Germany.

Tell It To Bourre,

Want to get news items and photos about activities of School Brigade people in your outfit into the Rocket?

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Marine CPT Norman P. Bourre, OIC of the Marine Training Detachment at MMCS, is now the official coordinator of School Brigade news. LTC Manuel N. Buckallew, deputy Brigade com-

mander, asked for the volunteers to cover Brigade activities



BOURRE

for us—and the chosen volunteer was the Marine captain.

All Brigade news items can be delivered or called to him at Bldg 3730, phone 6-4086.

Bourre and Buckallew have already stirred up something newsworthy. They're responsible for 93 Brigade personnel signing up as absentee voters in the 1972 national, state, and local elections. The vote drive continues.

Buckallew And The Animals

LTC Buckallew led a cat and dog life for a few hours recently—literally. A neighbor family went away for a weekend, asking the colonel to feed their young daughter's cat. But the cat was attacked by a roaming neighborhood German shepherd dog and severely injured. The dog had not been licensed or inoculated, and the cat was so badly injured that the city veterinarian had to put it away. Result: one grieving little girl.

But School Brigade doubled-timed to the rescue. The Humane Society conferred with the shepherd dog's owners. Meantime, CPT Raleigh Jernigan, the Brigade's S-1, came up with a Siamese kitten from his own cat's new litter, and the Army's community relations rating was high in the neighborhood.

But the next morning, Buckallew awakened to hear rattles and whines outside.

A young male bird dog with liver and white spots had escaped from somewhere and tangled his collar chain in the fence outside the colonel's window. It also had no tag. The Animal Shelter people picked up the dog and are now advertising for its owner to claim it.

Some cats, dogs, vets, kind-

hearted officers and humanitarianism can figure in MMCS Names in the News—and smart people should take proper care of their pets.

Blood Donors

The number of blood donors MMCS has had in the monthly blood drives has taken a nose-dive during the last three months.

In August, 364 military and civilian personnel attached to the School donated blood, in September, 320, while last month only 296 School personnel contributed.

Two-hundred eighty of last month's 296 donors were military.

For October the 5th ETC won the large unit Redstone Arsenal Red Cross blood trophy while UTC's 200th Ord Detachment captured the small unit Redstone blood donor trophy.

The 5th had 79 donors for a 71.17 percent troop participation while 24 men assigned to the 200th Ord Detachment gave for 82.75 percent troop participation.

This month's Bloodmobile visit at the Service Club, Bldg 3711, will be on the 24th.

Re-Uppers Top In Third Army

MMCS is known for having the top men Armywide in their respective fields and MMCS career counselors MSG Rudolph T. Blackstock and MSG Carl Y. Davis are no exceptions.

For the period July through September the MMCS reenlisters signed up 90 percent of their objective—62 men—for the highest reenlistment percentage in Third Army.

The re-up crew at the John F. Kennedy Center for Military Assistance at Fort Bragg, North Carolina, reenlisted 74.6 percent of their objective for second best.

Have Ten Years Federal Service

Last week ten civilians in DOI were presented pins and certificates in recognition of ten years federal service by COL Gordon D. Rood, director of DOI: Goldie Patrick, Virgil Smith, Thomas A. McClure, Francis Moorehead, Linda Kimbrel, William Jackson, Richard Connolly, Charles J. McGougan, Barney Williams and James D. Howell.

**League Race
Bottle Necked**

The Bottlenecks tiptoed back into sole possession of 1st place in the RSA Officers Bowling League.

But it wasn't easy. They did it despite losing three games to the Blackjacks. Last week's co-leaders with the Bottlenecks, the usually high-scoring RASA Rascals, dropped all four of their games with the Sperts.

While the co-leaders were stumbling, three other quintets—the Misfits, the Pinsplitters and the Wheezers—joined the RASA Rascals in the runner-up slot just one game behind the Bottlenecks. The span between the top slot and 10th place in the scrambled 16-team League is now only five games.

The Mixups' Tom Hartley paced the individual pinfall with a consistent 563 series. Clint Gould's 538 set for the Sperts highlighted their sweep of the RASA Rascals, while Ralph Nearhoff added 516 sticks to the Sperts' count.

Another Mixup kegler, Daryl Yank posted a 209-526 series, and Bob Wendt pitched a 202-522 set for the Bottlenecks.

Other top counters included the Liquidators' Bob Barbee (518), the Blackjacks' Dick Coltrane (516) and the Pinsplitters' Bob Bales (514).

Fun time Slated

At Club Sunday

A Funtime Coffee House at the Service Club has been planned by Miss Donna Emerick, Coffee House Hostess for enlisted personnel on Sunday evening. Coffee will be served at eight.

Enlisted men are encouraged to participate in the Coffee House program. Rock bands and vocalists, comedians, country-western musicians and vocalists are invited to take part in the program.

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DOD Plan Promises Cut In Reporting

Approximately 500 persons at the Army Missile Command concerned with acquisition of major defense systems are getting management insight into new procedures as outlined in a recent directive from the Department of Defense.

Orientations are being conducted at several locations on the Arsenal by the Procurement and Production Directorate, Research, Development, Engineering and Missile Systems Laboratory, Product Assurance, Comptrollers, and Maintenance Directorates.

The directive is 5000.1, and applies primarily to weapons programs which have an estimated cost in excess of \$50 million for development and an estimated production cost in excess of \$200 million. However, the same

management principles apply to all weapons programs.

It promises to cut red tape as the Department of Defense intends to get out of the day-to-day management and decision making process by eliminating some of the formal reporting to higher authority.

The directive stresses two concepts for prototyping, advanced development prototyping, and a fly before buy concept as expressed in Deputy Secretary of Defense David Packard's memo of May 28, 1970. It provides for more procurement of prototype hardware by competition and less paper competition.

Other points include less reliance on detailed finished documentation during development, and the prohibition of total package procurement.

Expected are separate contracts for each phase in the life cycle of the weapon such as at definition, advanced development, engineering development, prototypes and test support, advanced Production engineering, and production.

Each service or Defense agency is name a single individual to be responsible officer during the conceptual effort on major new programs.

Although logistic support is to be considered carefully during the design phase, according to the directive, detailed development documentation on hardware that may not be in the final product is to be avoided.

The appropriate Army regulation is being amended to incorporate the principles of the directive.

Essay Contest Open To All

Members of the four military services, retired personnel and civilians were invited this week to participate in a lucrative essay contest sponsored by the Fund for Advancement of Management in the Armed Forces.

The contest, administered by the U. S. Army Logistics Management Center at Fort Lee, Va. awards a cash prize to the three best essays each year. Top prize in the contest is \$300, second \$200 and the third place essay is worth \$100 to its author. All winning essays become property of the Fund for Advancement of Management in the Armed Forces and manuscripts will not

Drug Abuse Exemption Cannot Be Withdrawn

(Extracted from Department of Army Message dated 16 October 1971.)

The primary purpose of the exemption program is to encourage drug users voluntarily to seek appropriate treatment and rehabilitation as early as possible.

Experience has shown that many soldiers are not participating in the program because they are confused concerning the degree of protection to which they are entitled and because they believe that the objective is to identify them for future punitive action. Some commanders are employing contracts which state that exemption will be granted only once or that future use of drugs will result in withdrawal of exemption.

Previous DA guidance stated no member of the Army will be subject to any disciplinary action under UCMJ or be discharged under other than honorable conditions solely on the basis of his identification as a drug abuser by his having volunteered for treatment or as a result of urinalysis administered for the purpose of identifying drug users. This exemption cannot be denied nor can it be withdrawn. An identified drug abuser who is caught in a subsequent urinalysis screen or who requests treatment receives the same protection if this is the only evidence of his violating the law.

The objective of treatment and rehabilitation is to restore the soldier to full and effective duty. While the Army has been exempted from retaining those individuals who require extensive treatment, a genuine effort to rehabilitate the soldier is required. Experience has shown that it is especially difficult in the early stages of rehabilitation for a drug-dependent individual to abstain totally from drug use. The soldier with a positive attitude who is performing effectively should not be considered a rehabilitation failure solely on the basis of positive urine. This is not to suggest that individuals should be afforded repeated opportunities to undergo extensive inpatient treatment.

be returned to contestants.

The papers are judged on originality or research and writing talent exhibited by the author, and the extent to which the essay makes a worthwhile contribution to the improvement of management in the Armed Forces.

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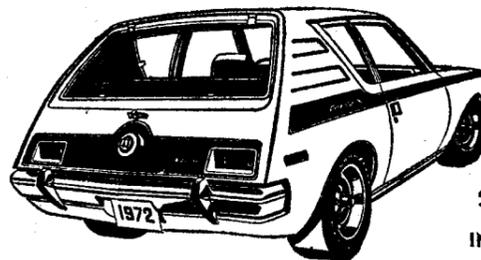
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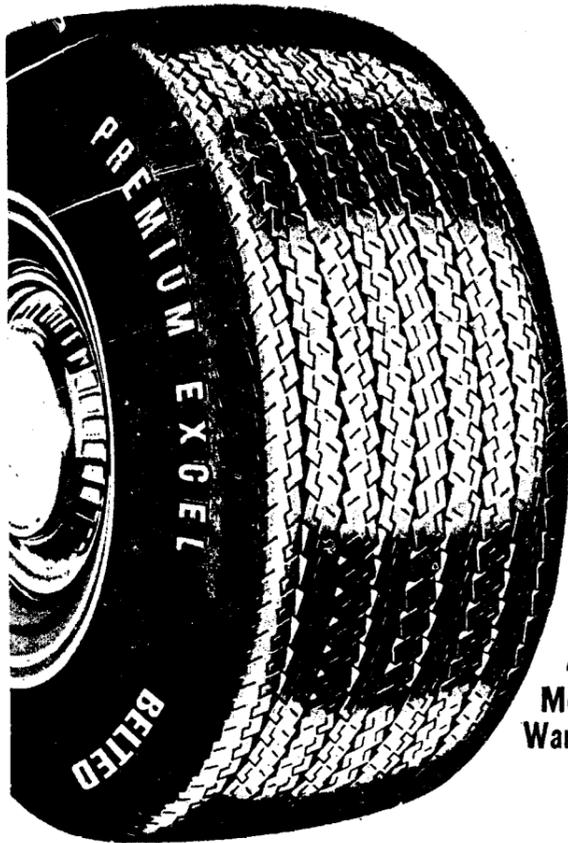
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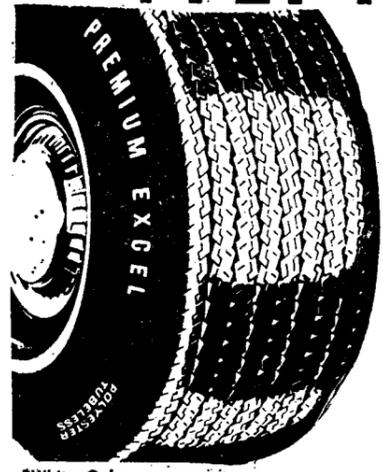
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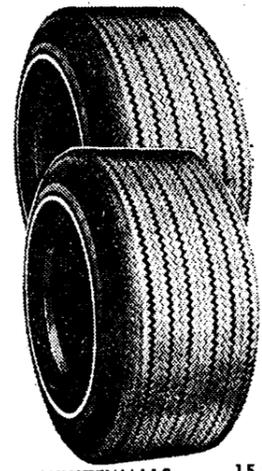


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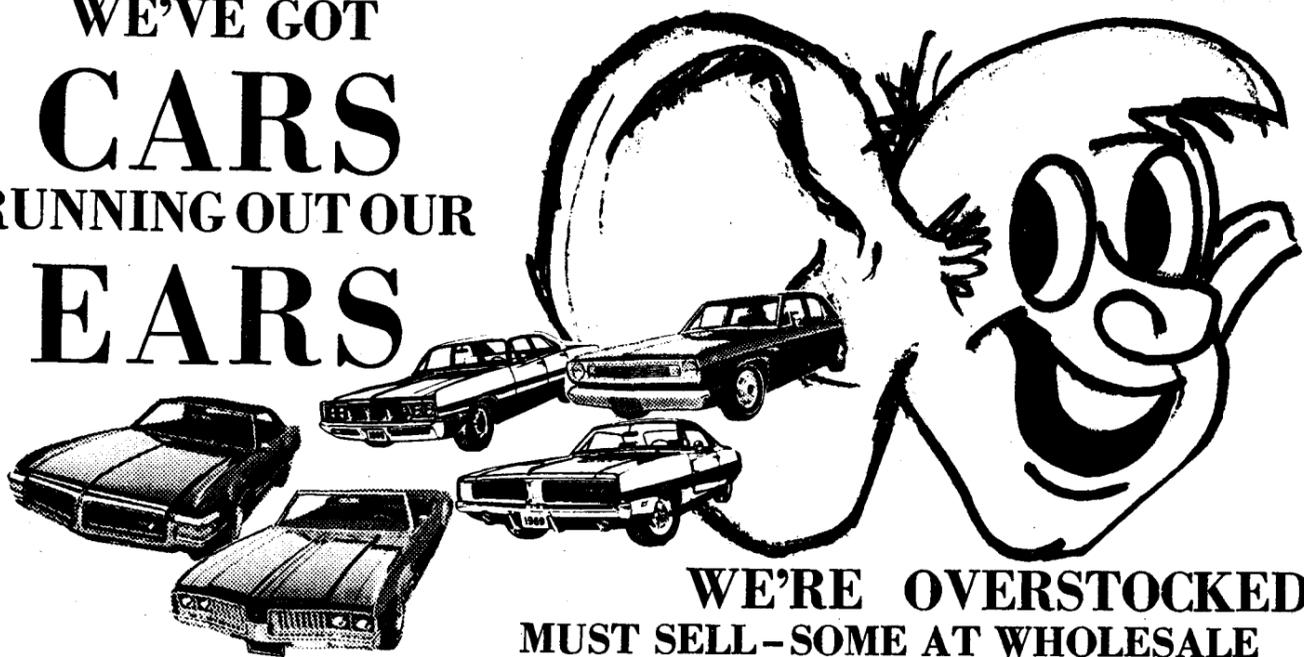
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