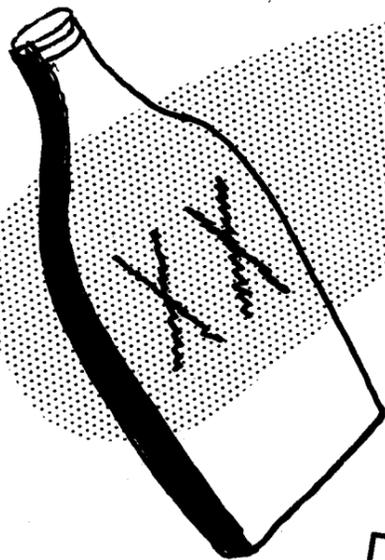
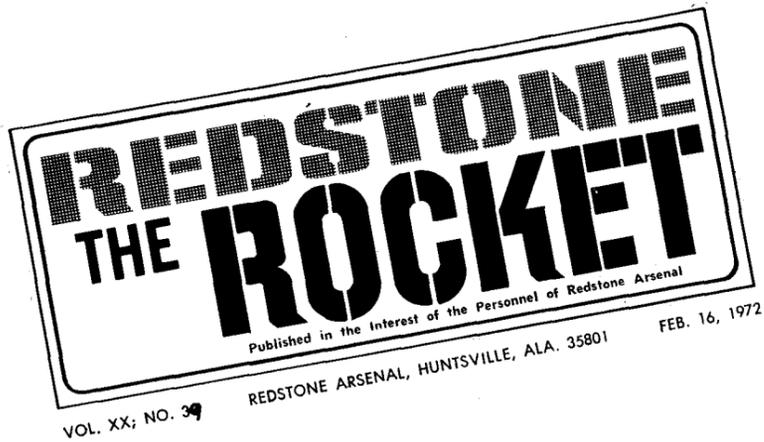


ALCOHOLISM: Is it a problem at Redstone?



Can I help?

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... "From what I see problem drinking is not really that much concern, although it must be admitted that there are some around who are in need of help. In those isolated instances, the supervisor should take the initiative to counsel the individual and make a strong effort to refer him to Alcoholics Anonymous."

... "I'm not aware of alcoholism as a problem for concern at Redstone. Oh, I'm sure many employees have cocktails on a regular basis at their homes, but I've seen no indication of drinking on the job."

... "No doubt, it is a problem here just as it is in all other segments of modern society, and at just about the same degree. Social drinking has become an 'in-thing' and the problem is merely a spinoff of this overall attitude."

... "Yes it probably is and it is heartening to hear that at long last something is being done to help the problem. I don't know if starting an Alcoholics Anonymous chapter here is enough or not, but at least it is a step in the right direction."

... "I don't believe alcoholism is a problem that should involve the whole Arsenal workforce. Those individuals who are afflicted are responsible for their own predicament. All the assistance in the world will avail nothing until the person himself decides he is in trouble."

... "A problem ... some people must not think so. By the way when is the last time you have heard of a meeting that didn't open with a 'social hour'?"

... "I think alcoholism is the foremost social problem of our time—even more of a threat to society than drugs. One reason the sickness is so widespread and hard to cure is that too few who are afflicted will admit that they have a problem. You can't lick a problem if you don't face up to it."

... "The presence of one alcoholic constitutes a problem, and Redstone qualifies several times over."

... "Probably so. I don't know of course, but we hear about a high rate of sick leave and a high incidence of early morning tardiness. If this is true, it would indicate a possible alcoholism problem."

... "I don't know. Since I am a teetotaler myself, I don't come in contact with persons who would be so afflicted."

... "Well, I read recently where alcoholics outnumber drug addicts, four to one. I'd say that is quite a problem."

... "I am personally not acquainted with anyone in this situation but am sure that there are some persons around who have a drinking problem. I believe everything humanly possible should be done in an effort to help such persons return to a normal life."

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Statistics Say Yes!

Is alcoholism a problem at Redstone?

No one knows for sure, but if national averages can be applied to the Arsenal civilian workforce and military population, there are at least a couple hundred individuals here who have a problem and need help.

Even if they're ready to admit that to themselves, they may not seek the aid being offered to them out of fear that they are risking their jobs by asking for help.

The reverse is closer to the truth.

Latest Army policy on alcoholism among civilian employees is contained in AR 600-300 published January 24. This is some of what it says:

- The Army recognizes that alcoholism is a condition which has social, psychological and medical implications and which is preventable and treatable.

- The Army is not concerned with the private decision of an employee to use or not to use alcoholic beverages off the job. However, when its use impairs his overall work performance or adversely affects his dependability or conduct on the job, it is the responsibility of management to take action.

- The alcoholism program introduces non-disciplinary procedures by which an employee with a drinking problem is offered rehabilitative assistance. If he refuses such assistance or if the course of rehabilitation fails to achieve satisfactory results, normal disciplinary action and procedures for dealing with problem employees . . . should be used.

- Disciplinary and/or adverse actions for offenses related to alcoholism may be suspended for employees who are satisfactorily enrolled in an alcoholism rehabilitation program . . .

- The employee should be granted sick leave in accordance with existing rules and regulations to obtain treatment and rehabilitation.

- Individuals who suffer from alcoholism are entitled to the same respect, consideration, offer of assistance and confidentiality of medical treatment and records as employees who suffer from any other health condition.

- No employee will have his job security or promotion opportunities jeopardized by his request for counseling or referral assistance . . .

The new regulation says that "first line supervision is a key point of emphasis in this program because the supervisor is in the best position to observe his employee's attendance, on-the-job attitudes, conduct and performance."

After spelling out a supervisor's responsibilities in detail, however, it goes on to tell him what he can not do. Specifically, witch hunts are out.

"Supervisors are cautioned to be aware that this program is in no way designed to be a 'witch hunt' . . . The program is designed for the purpose of dealing with employees with existing performance problems related to problem drinking or alcoholism, and not for the purpose of 'seeking out' possible alcoholics or possible problems drinkers whose overall performance is fully satisfactory."

On-The-Job Indicators

1. Repeated Friday, Monday, or half-day absences
2. Frequent reporting of absences by members of the employee's family or persons other than the employee himself.
3. Unusual excuses for absences.
4. Late to work.
5. Hangovers on the job.
6. Morning drinking before going to work.
7. Drinking during working hours.
8. Long lunch periods.
9. Leaving post temporarily.
10. Avoidance of the supervisor.
11. Frequent use of breath purifiers.
12. Lying about inconsequential matters.
13. Display of an increasing lack of responsibility.
14. Mood changes in a previously stable employee.
15. Frequent loud talking or irritability.
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Another way you could interpret that description might be that you were being described as a "party pooper," a person who takes the fun out of a party by leaving early or failing to participate

fully in it. This description might be a way of saying in a snide or snickering way that you don't know how to celebrate your own birthday properly.

When moderation is defined in these ways, who needs it?

Actually moderation involves balance and control. It means exercising reason in every area of life. We all need it.

When moderation becomes part of your life style, you too can lead a more satisfying, fuller life. The person who avoids excesses, whose life has balance, can more easily reach the goals he has set for himself.



CHINESE VISIT—Maj. Gen. Wan-kuei Lee, Chief of Staff of the Army Logistics Command, Republic of China, inspects the color guard during an honor ceremony at Redstone recently. Behind him are Maj. Gen. Edwin I. Donley and 2/Lt. Roger Isom (left) escort officer of the 291st Military Police company. General Lee and his party were guests of the Missile Command for a look at Army supply and maintenance procedures.



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Lay-Offs Not Likely

Army Missile Command civilian employees learned yesterday that the Command can make its June 30 manpower ceiling without a lay-off.

In a letter to all personnel, Major General Edwin I. Donley, Commanding General, said MICOM had been told that its fiscal year end strength should be 7,659 civilian employees. As of the end of January, the command had 7,704 civilians.

General Donley said he intended to accomplish the 45 man reduction through attrition. He expressed the hope that the information "will dispel any lingering fears of a reduction in force aimed at sending people out the gate. We can get there without one."

In the same letter, Donley said MICOM would continue to accomplish actions outlined to the workforce on January 31, involving the

phase down of the manning level of project offices and some internal realignments. Reduction in force procedures will be used to place individuals affected by moves in other jobs within the command.

There has been great concern among civilian employees about the possibility of an impending layoff since the Defense Department announced last month that it would be compelled to reduce its civilian employment by 52,000 by the end of the current fiscal year. The Army share of the total Defense-wide reduction is 20,000 civilian jobs.

Retirements, resignations and transfers in the next four months should handle the 45 man reduction MICOM must make. More than 20 retirements are now being processed. Others are anticipated under options now available.

Strong Defense Posture Guarantees Our Freedom

A discussion of trends in the U.S. and including an expression of concern for the future of the country highlighted an address by Maj. Gen. John G. Zierdt USA (Ret.), Monday night to the local chapter of the Association of the U.S. Army.

A former Commanding General of the Missile Command, well known at Redstone as an outspoken advocate for research and development, he said:

"The disenchantment of just plain John Q. Citizen with the spectacular technological advances of this century is nothing short of alarming.

"I have been watching the grumbling grow... people asking why so much for weapons and space vehicles and so little for food and welfare. The fact is, that we are spending tremendous amounts on both, and the problem is to spend the money effectively.

"The defense outlay guarantees our freedom, and without that precious freedom we would have no control over anything else.

"We must find a way to re-educate the American public as to the stakes for which we are playing. This is a life and death struggle that we dare not lose.

"The leaders in the Kremlin and Peking know what is going on. They are not cutting back in their technological competition—and we are."

General Zierdt said another thing that disturbed him was what had happened to the individual's sense of responsibility to himself.

He cited safety as an example and said that formerly you were expected to use common sense and be careful with anything that could cause injury if improperly used but that now the attitude prevailed that the user is not responsible for anything and there is always ground for a suit against the manufacturer.

Another area of concern cited was individual integrity. He said:

"Doesn't a man's word and his promise mean anything any more?"

He said he thought the nation



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needed to go back to the old fashioned ways of thinking to restore our international reputation for keeping our word, and using good judgement.

During chapter business transacted prior to the address by General Zierdt, now Director of Missile Systems Division and Aerospace Planning for the Beech Aircraft Corporation, Staff Sergeant Kenneth W. Ille received an award plaque for outstanding instructor of the quarter at the Missile and Munitions Center and School.

A bill proposed to Congress by the Administrator of Veterans Affairs would permit the VA to give premium pay to VA nurses working nights, weekends and holidays.

Ille, an instructor in the Missile Components Department, instructs new missilemen in common block subjects they need as a base for advance study in missile electronics.

In addition, six local industrial firms were recognized for recently joining the chapter as corporate members. They were:

Teledyne Wha Chang Huntsville, Teledyne Brown Engineering, Pedigo Welding and Fabrication, Inc., A.C. Electronics, Inc., Huntsville Bottling Company, and Wyle Laboratories.

New Alpha Class Starts

Twenty-three students received certificates recently for completion of three weeks of study on Project Alpha (Army Materiel Command Logistics Program, Hardcore Automated System).

A second class is now underway. Studies relate to the standard logistics system being introduced throughout the Army Materiel Command.

Instructors conducting classes and on the job training completed their studies at the Army Logistics Management Center at Fort Lee. The Center's coordinator for the Missile Command is Paul Olejarz. He was here for the graduation ceremonies. Classes are held under the supervision of the Training and Development Branch of Civilian Personnel here.

Project Alpha is the first phase of the Materiel Command program to standardize many functional activities at all major subordinate commands. The first phase at Redstone Arsenal covers basic national inventory control and national maintenance operations, includes the procurement

Command Inaugurates Weekly AA Sessions

The Redstone Alcoholics Anonymous chapter holds its first meeting at noon today in Bldg. 3151, a building immediately adjacent to the Chapel annex in the Civilian Personnel area. Closed—one hour meetings will be at the same time every Wednesday, and are for the benefit of persons who feel they have any problems related to alcoholism.

The chapter was established as part of a Department of Army alcohol and drug abuse, prevention and control plan, and is for individuals in all activities served by the Missile Command Civilian Personnel Division.

Military personnel seeking help with drinking problems or alcoholism should go to the Red-

stone Arsenal Drug and Alcohol Counselling Center in Bldg. 111.

E. L. McDermott has been assigned to the Civilian Personnel Division as counsellor and administrator for the program. He is available to all individuals who wish to participate.

"I'm here to help anyone who wants to call me or come in to see me anytime," McDermott said.

"We don't want people to think this is a witch hunt. We're here to help people who are making an entry into alcoholism—the guy who starts to lean on alcohol—and the people who realize they have severe drinking problems.

"We're looking at job performance, and nothing else. The only degree of success we seek is improvement in a person's performance on the job."

Since first line supervisors play major roles in the program as they are in positions to observe the attendance, on-the-job attitudes, conduct and performance of their staffs, training sessions are being planned for them.

They will receive instruction in methods of recognizing the signs of problem drinking; planning approaches that will lead to the persons' recognizing their problems and subsequently participating in rehabilitation; arranging and holding discussions with persons regarding their drinking problems; and arranging for conferences with McDermott in order to obtain assistance.

and financial activities required to support them.

Approximately 300 people working in the Directorate for Information Systems earlier received instruction from a team brought here from Rock Island's Management Engineering Training Center.

So many people are involved that much of the training will be on the job. In the meantime, functional and supervisory personnel are preparing to take over as soon as the programming is ready for use and enough people are trained.

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Quality arts and craft items made by military personnel, active duty and retired, their dependents and by members of the Officers Wives Club, will be taken on consignment with a percentage of the sale price going to the Club's welfare fund. Workers in the shop will all be volunteers from the Club's membership.

The shop will be open from 10 a.m. until noon March 20 through 24 to receive items for consignment.

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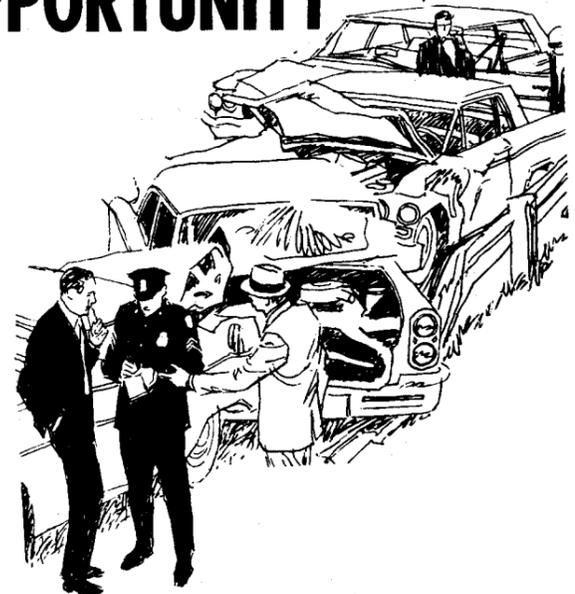
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Transition Gives Head Start

It is quite a contrast from being the crew chief on a twin engine aircraft to digging drainage ditches and terracing cotton fields, but Spec. 5 Charles R. Eddy is making the change under The Arsenal's Project Transition Program.

Since there seems to be little demand in today's labor market for twin engine propeller driven aircraft crew chiefs for the old Douglas C-47's, Eddy is using Project Transition to gain additional experience in his pre-Army occupation.

A native of New Madrid, Mo., Eddy was raised on a farm and likes outdoor work. He attended the University of Missouri part time for four years and worked summers with the Soil Conservation Service prior to joining the Army.

Following basic training at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo., and specialized training at Fort Rucker, Ala., Eddy became a crew chief on one of the old C-47 transports still in use in the Army.

Now with less than six months remaining before he is separated from the Army, Eddy is utilizing Project Transition to learn about developments in soil conservation that have occurred in the last four years.

Eddy is working with Russell Carlton, District Soil Conservationist for Madison County. Russell has 34 years experience in soil conservation with the last 24 spent right here in Madison County and is able to teach Eddy about specific soil conditions in Northern Alabama.

In fact as part of his training Carlton told Eddy about field terracing back when he first came into soil conservation and he used a slip scrape pulled by a team of mules.

During the interview, Carlton paid Eddy the supreme compliment when he said: "Eddy is a good worker. When he completes his last year of college I would like to see him come back to Huntsville and work right here in this office with me."

For Eddy, who has a wife and 3 year old daughter, his return to civilian life looks much brighter, because he does have a needed vocation and the promise of a job.

Discussing Project Transition, Eddy said: "I feel the Army really wants to help guys like me who are returning to civilian life. This experience I'm getting here in Huntsville is valuable mainly because Mr. Carlton, with his 34 years experience, is willing to share that experience with me."

According to Carlton: "This Project Transition is a good program. We would like to have more of these trainees who have some background in agriculture, soil science, forestry, biology or other related fields who want to



PROJECT TRANSITION IN ACTION—Spec. 5 Charles R. Eddy, a C-47 crew chief at Redstone Arsenal, looks over some recent developments in soil conservation with Russell Carlton, Soil Conservationist for Madison County. Eddy is studying and working with the Soil Conservation Service through the Project Transition Program and will go into this type work as soon as he is discharged from the Army.

prepare themselves for their return to civilian life."

Redstone personnel, officers and enlisted men, who are interested in

Project Transition, can call Julian V. Heimsness at 876-8664 for information on training and vocations available to them.

William B. Petty, director of the Defense Contract Agency, will speak tomorrow to a joint meeting of Federal Government Accountants and the Huntsville chapter of the National Contract Management Association at the Ramada Inn at 7 p.m. Petty has served as director of

the Defense Contract Audit Agency since its inception in 1965. He will talk about "Operational Auditing - Its Application to Government Contracts."

Further information may be obtained by calling Bob S. Hall, 876-3469 or J.A. Muller, 876-1109.

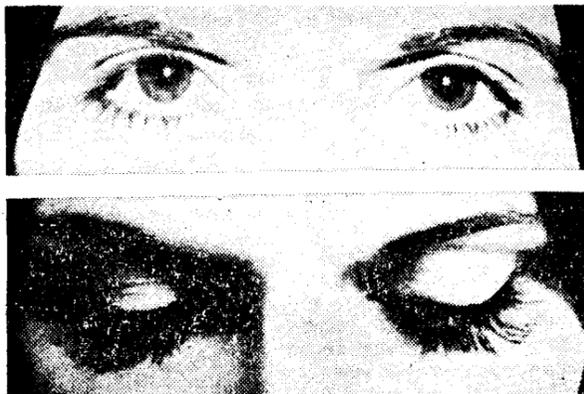
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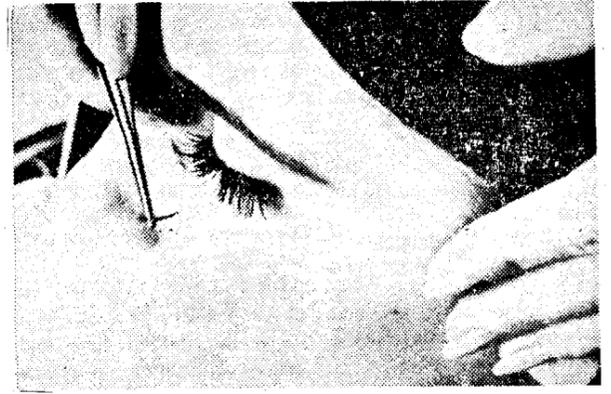
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It will give callers ready telephonic access to accurate sources for timely answers to personnel questions. The center will identify the problem and put the appropriate action officer on the line.

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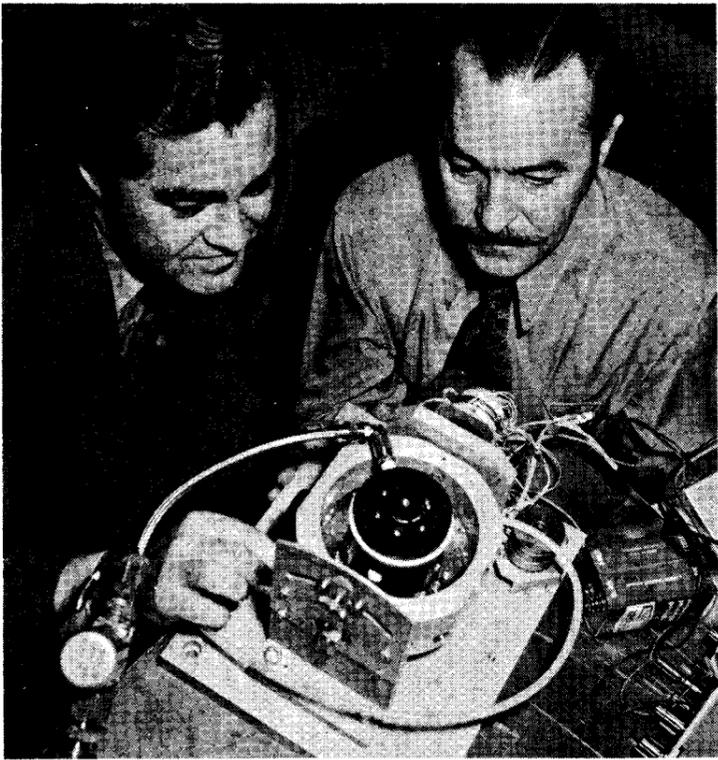
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An Army Missile Command researcher has designed a gyro that is an advancement in the state-of-the-art of low cost gyros.

Aubrey Rodgers, a research physicist, describes his invention as a spherical hydrostatic gas bearing gyro. He not only designed, fabricated and tested the gyro, but the Durant, Miss., native did it within six months after starting from scratch in laboratories at the Missile Command.

Incorporating innovations not found in any other gyro design—such as fewer working parts and a single power source for spin, uncage and bearing—Rodgers' gyro is expected to be more reliable, less expensive and faster reacting than existing gyros.

Thus far he has completed 20 static tests with the gyro looking carefully at characteristics such as drift rates, uncage repeatability, coast down rates and pick off scale factors.

"The gyro has performed exceptionally well," said Rodgers, who works in the Inertial Systems Group, Guidance and Control Directorate of the Missile Command's Directorate for Research, Development, Engineering and Missile Systems laboratory.

More advanced testing is to be done, Rodgers said, including vibration, shock and temperature variation tests.

The gyro could be used in any directional control missile such as Lance or D. C. Honest John.

Rodgers described how it works. Operation of the gyro begins

AIAA Schedules Panel Meetings

The first of two technical panel meetings sponsored this month by the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics is set for next Wednesday at the Officers Open Mess.

Dr. J. Thoenes of the Lockheed Missile And Space Company will be the guest speaker for the noon session.

Dr. Thoenes will outline an analytical optimization study of potential power output from a small continuous wave chemical laser.

The following Monday the local AIAA Section will hear Robert Lewis discuss Dynamics and Control of Reentry Spacecraft. This panel meeting is also slated for the Officers Open Mess and will start at 12:15 p.m.

Lewis is chief of the Advanced Studies Section of the Aero-Astrodynamic Laboratory of the Marshall Space Flight Center.

when pressurized gas is introduced into a spherical stator. The stator exits the gas through restrictors thus forming a hydrostatic gas film between the stator and the spherical rotor cavity. Almost simultaneously, cold pressurized gas energizes the spin-up mechanism. The rotor is accelerated very rapidly to the design speed and automatically uncages when the spin-up gas is exhausted.

At that point, the gyro is operational and pickoff signals can be used to provide attitude information.

Rodgers, a graduate of Mississippi College, has been specializing in gyros and guidance research since he came to Redstone in 1960. So when he was asked if a gyro could be designed—in a hurry—to perform within a 150-degree-per-hour drift rate and operate within a 50g environment, he went to work immediately.

He not only designed a gyro that performs at the 60-70 degree per hour drift rate and well within the acceleration limits specified, he accomplished the job in six months—a feat that is half the normal development time. Working with him were Bob White who was the assistant designer, and Rayburn Widner, the instrument maker, both employed by the G&C Directorate.

Adams Heads Credit Union

Luther Adams, MICOM Civilian Personnel Officer, has been elected president of the Redstone Federal Credit Union. The election by the Union's Board of Directors took place prior to the Annual Membership Meeting.

Other new officers include First Vice President Harold Carpenter, Second Vice President C.G. Babcock, Secretary J.W. Herring, and Treasurer Lee Oswalt.

At the Annual Membership Meeting, the Union saluted past presidents of the now 20-year old organization. In attendance and receiving plaques for past service were Stuart H. Jones, Michael K. Foster, and A.A. Stewart.

Elected to the Board of Directors were Carpenter, Oswalt, and Brig. Gen. Louis Rachmeler.

Phillips Named To Atlanta Panel

W.R. Phillips, Reproduction Branch, Redstone Arsenal Support Activity, will participate in a panel discussion at the National Microfilm Association meeting in Atlanta.

Members from throughout the southeastern area will attend the one-day conference, next week. The program will emphasize an examination of the latest uses of microfilm.



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Skeet Expert Seeks Olympic Team Berth

Late this summer Huntsville just might lay claim to owning an Olympic champion — and a skeet shooter at that.

Bob Thomas, an equipment specialist in the Safeguard Logistics Command, recently received an invitation from the National Rifle Association of America asking him to compete in the 12th U. S. International Shooting Championships and final tryouts for the U. S. 1972 Olympic Shooting Team — and you can bet he'll be there.

The Olympic tryouts will be held at the Black Canyon ranges and Phoenix Trap and Skeet Club, Phoenix, Arizona, in June.

Thomas got his start at skeet shooting during World War II when, as a fighter pilot, he was required to shoot skeet. But when the war ended, he abandoned the sport for some 20 years, picking it up again while working for the Government in Germany.

It was in Germany that he got his first taste of skeet competition shooting. In 1956 the team he was on journeyed to France to shoot in the French National Championships—and came home with first place.

Over the years Thomas has added to his laurels and is presently serving as President of the Alabama Skeet Shooters Association.

For the Olympic trails in Phoenix, international skeet rules will govern, as opposed to National Skeet Shooting Association rules which are predominant in U. S. Shooting.

Thomas explained, "The differences are that in international rules the target travels approximately 30 per cent faster than

ROCKET SPORTS



BOB THOMAS

American-style targets, and the shooter must keep his weapon stock against his hip until the bird is in the air."

"Also," Thomas added, "there is a random delay of from zero to three seconds from the time the shooter calls for the target until it is released. In U. S. shooting, the pull is supposed to be instantaneous with the command of the shooter."

Thomas estimates that he has more than 50 individual trophies

in skeet shooting, but he admits that probably his most memorable ones were his trophy for Third Place (Individual) in the 1966 French Championships where his team won first and the 1970-71 28 gauge Class A Alabama State Championships where he took first place.

The Olympic Shooting Team

selected at Phoenix will consist of four rifle shooters, four pistol shooters, four shotgun shooters, and two running boar shooters.

During the three shooting days, each shooter will take on 100 clay pigeons a day. Thomas feels that he must shoot 295 out of 300 to make the team. His best run has been 100 out of 100.

Valentine Day Wish Too Much For TOW Men

One week is apparently the limit that the All-Sports mean to permit any of their AMC competitors to stay on top the civilian bowling league standings at a time.

Although they have been up and down like a yo-yo since the start of the season, the Sports always seem to have that little extra when a challenger threatens to keep them down.

Last week Hugh Valentine provided the extra shove that provided a 3-1 win over Hughes TOW and vaulted them back ahead of the missilemen by a single point.

The two teams split the first two points before Valentine decided it was time to send a message. He put together six in a row and Hal Madry rapped a four-bagger to write an quick end to the TOW hold on the lead. Their efforts enabled the Sports to shoot a 1065 game.

Valentine ended his string with a 236 game for a 591 total and Madry closed out with 203 for 535. Tom Patterson rapped a 203 to get the TOWs their middle game win and ended the set with 536.

The battle for third ended as it started in a stalemate with the Cobras and Bombers each taking a pair of points. Bill Davis was the big Cobra threat with a 586 while Ed Kellis topped the Bombers at 536.

Another pair of splits saw the Bandits break even with the Sheratons and the Toppers square accounts with the Sprinters.

John Goltz padded is league leading average with a 564 count and Willie Wiggins added a 540 for the Bandits while Chris Johnson topped the Sheratons with 534.

Art Frederick shot a 562 and Earl Sims helped the Sprinter attack along with 530 while the Topper toppers were Monroe Bates and Jack Crader.



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Fourth ETC Collars First

The standings remain unchanged in both the American and National Leagues, but the number of undefeated teams is down to one—MICOM.

The 4th ETC pulled a major upset in downing the previously undefeated 1st ETC 42-39.

In highlights of last weeks action:

Monday

In the first scheduled game of the night, the 291st MP's were awarded a forfeit at the expense of the 6th ETC.

In the next game, Safeguard won a close game from B Co 46-41. Down at the half 24-16, B Co fought back behind the second-half heroics of Chuck Bonner. Eleven of Bonner's 18 points were tallied in the second half, but they were not enough to offset Safeguard's halftime advantage. Greg Landry's 16 points and Rod Lane's 11 were high for the winners.

MICOM continued its undefeated ways in a 55-27 conquest of the 7th ETC. Completely dominating the game, MICOM led at the half 32-9. Wayne Mears had 21 points, while Ronnie Harper contributed 16 for the winners.

SSG won a rather lack-luster game from UTC 29-24. Behind 11-10 at the half, SSG was led in the second half by Brent McGee's 8 points to sew up the decision. High man for SSG was Gilbert Quick with 9.

Tuesday

Tuesday night began with a major upset. The 1st ETC, playing without the services of scoring ace Ed Jelovich, came out on the short end of a 42-39 decision to the 4th ETC. The 1st went into the dressing room at the half with a 19-17 lead, primarily due to the shooting of Lynch who scored 14 points in the half. However, 4th ETC came back in the second to score the upset. High men for the 4th were Gayden with 13 and Thornton with 15.

In a rather dull game, the Medics completely outclassed the 95th Cal 45-21. Leading the onslaught for the Medics was Al Black's 21 points.

In the last game of the night, A Co breezed by SOC 53-37. Leading only 21-16 at the half, A Co pulled away in the second half. High scorer for the game was SOC's Ken Sweazy with 18 points. Leading the way for the winners was Woodrum with 16.

Wednesday

The 291st MP's completely crushed UTC 50-11. The score at

the half was 23-5. The scoring was balanced for the MP's with none in the double-figure bracket.

MICOM continued its domination of the American League with a 52-37 verdict over SSG. Sid Granger contributed 16 points in a losing effort. High scorer for MICOM was Ossie Randolph with 26.

DeVaults About Ready To Move

It took a long time to get started, but the DeVault bowlers are convinced they have finally put it all together for a strong run at the S&M League title.

The DeVaults could do no better than third place during the first half run and hadn't improved much during three weeks of the second half. That was until last week when all five cogs started hitting at the same time and the Bushwackers caught the full force of a DeVault assault on the Playmor maples.

Ken Bell had the leading role in the DeVault sweep cutting down 226 maples in one game and ending the set with an even 600. Al Powers chipped in with a 546 as each of the

In a night filled with forfeits, the 95th Cal won a forfeit from the Marines in the first game while the Medics won a forfeit from SOC in the last scheduled game of the night.

In between, the 1st ETC got back to its winning ways with a 40-25 victory over A Co. Ed Jelovich led the way with 19 points.

DeVaults padded 500.

Buck Wade shot a 548 and Jerry Cletcher hit for 511 for the Bushwackers.

The front running Bale's Rental five stayed two points ahead of DeVaults with a sweep of their own against MIA. Joe Burgess topped the leaders while Charley Bradburn saw a 239 game go for naught for MIA.

Bale's got a chance to derail the on-coming DeVault charge tonite when the two meet in the feature scrap of a position night round.

Reba's dropped to third in losing three of four to Jim's Five behind the steady bombing of Ricky Morgan and Jim Bertoldi.

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291st MP	9	1	Medics	8	2
UTC	7	5	A Co	6	5
B Co.	6	5	4th ETC	4	5
SSG	5	5	Marines	3	6
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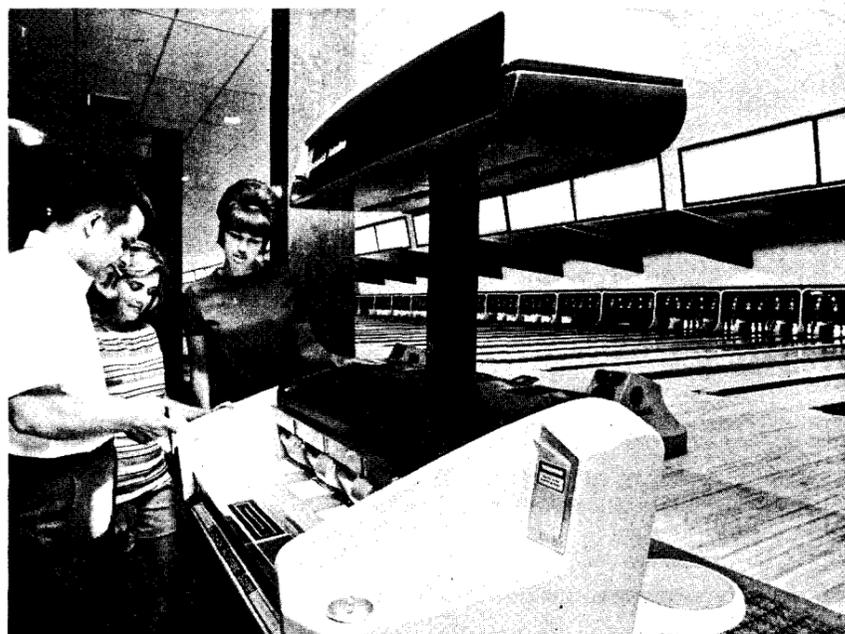
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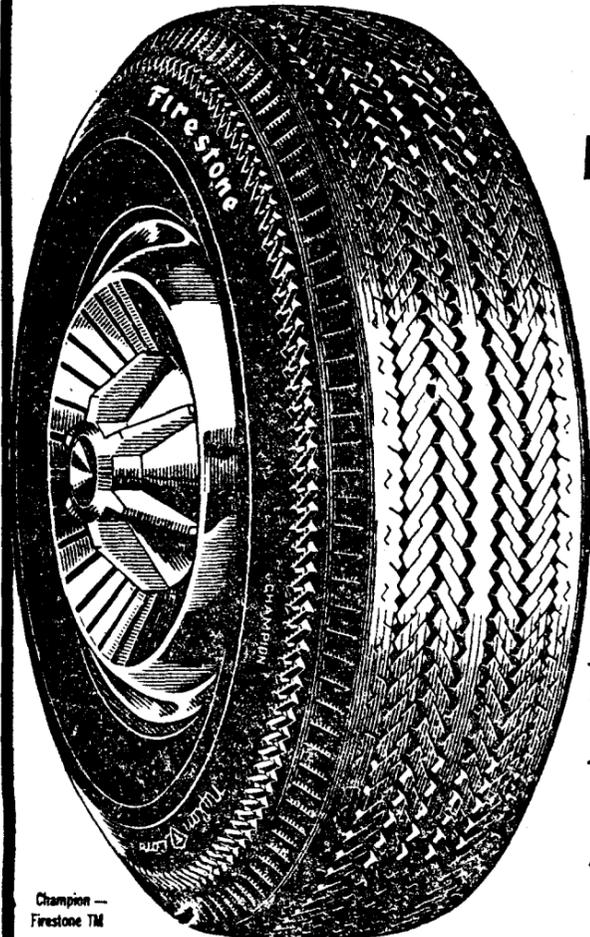
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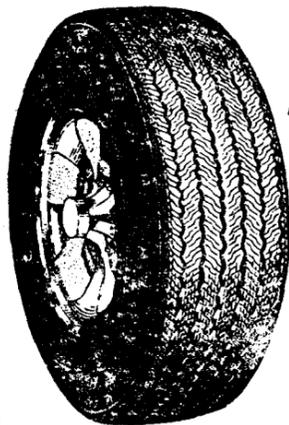
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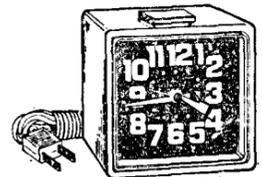
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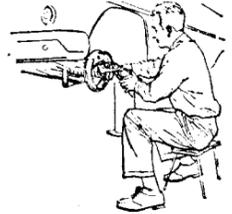


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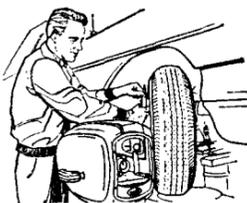


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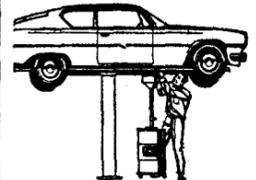


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(Editor's Note: The MICOM Information Office conducts a question and answer program for job-related questions of general interest. Such questions may be telephoned to 876-4161 or 876-4400, or mailed to AM-SMIG. Some questions are selected for publication in the Rocket. Names are withheld. It is not intended that this program take the place of the usual supervisor-employee relationship which is the proper channel for specific job-related questions.)

QUESTION: The Civilian Welfare Fund apparently receives and dispenses thousands of dollars each year. I assume the accounts are audited and an annual statement published. Why isn't it published in the Rocket where it is accessible to all interested civilian employees?

ANSWER: The reference made in the question to the CWF "receiving and dispensing thousands of dollars each year" connotes a very misleading interpretation. At the present time the CWF is receiving approximately \$600 per month from the Post Restaurant Council, which is the sole source of revenue. However, the \$600 figure covers an extremely short period and there have been months in the past twelve during which no revenue was received. The accounts are regularly audited by the Internal Review Division of the Comptroller. Copies of the audits are available for review by interested persons through the Chairman, Civilian Welfare Fund Council.

QUESTION: In addition to MICOM, what other organizations participate in the Civilian Welfare Fund Council? Approximately how many employees?

ANSWER: Civilian Welfare Fund participation is available to all Department of Army civilian employees in the Huntsville area, whether or not they contribute to the Fund. Approximation of the number of civilian employees would be 12,000.

QUESTION: Of the total civilian population, approximately how many participate in Council sponsored activities such as softball, basketball, bowling, etc.?

ANSWER: It would be impossible to quote a figure as to the percentage of actual participation in CWF activities other than to say 100 per cent. This is based on the fact that sponsored activities are open to all persons who desire to participate. While it may be true that a relatively few civilians play softball, for instance, the Council does sponsor enough other activities so as to cover the individual recreational desires of most every civilian. Included in these other activities would be skeet shooting, tennis, golf, volleyball and boating facilities, badminton and the Tennessee River Recreation Area with its Rustic Lodge that is ideally suited for family picnic functions.

QUESTION: Please list all activities sponsored by the CWF.

ANSWER: The previous answer covers CWF activity pretty thoroughly as to its present schedule. However, it does not necessarily say that other recreational areas of concern to civilians are barred. On the contrary, the Council is constantly studying other endeavors at the request of individual employees. For instance the Council is at this time attempting to assess the available interest in the formation of a Riding Club and a Flying Club. The council has optimistic plans for a far reaching program in the months to come that would hopefully touch the individual persuasion of every civilian. But it must be realized that the financial standing of the Council is the final judge.

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MVA Going? No

A revised basic training program went into effect throughout the Army Monday. In essence, basic combat training is being made more interesting, more challenging and . . . tougher.

The tough part has given rise to some bum dope, the gist of which was that many, if not all of the Modern Volunteer Army changes were on the way out.

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The revisions that are being made apply only to basic combat training — about four percent of the whole Army. The remaining 96 percent — including Redstone Arsenal — will continue to benefit from those programs which have been validated by VOLAR tests or spelled out under the MVA program.

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Arsenal Cave Explorers Help Research

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Army Missile Command spelunkers helped Dr. Merlin Tuttle of Kansas State University research the number of mosquitoes bats would consume in the course

of a summer's night on Gunter'sville Lake. The count from one small cave came to one half ton or between 50 and 60 tons during the feeding season. Dr. Tuttle wore out teams of spelunkers from the Huntsville Grotto of the American

Speleological Society, among them three from the Research, Engineering, Development and Missile Systems Laboratory: Ruth McGrew, John Van Swearingen III (and IV) and John French.

The immediate past president of the Grotto, Darwin Moss, was involved as were James Johnson, Donald Myric and Reynolds Duncan. Moss is in the Missile Intelligence Agency, the other three are contractor employees as is Swearingen IV.

There were more from the grotto who helped the night prowling researchers capture, sort and band bats, but none more enthusiastic than the three from the directorate of RDE and MSL.

Endangered

The sorting was done by age, sex, and mothers nursing babies. In the course of the year, the three learned that bats are an endangered species from DDT, that their radar can be befuddled but it reorients rapidly, and many other things about the habits of the winged mammals.

Mrs. McGrew grew fond of the tiny creatures. She upset her family by taking the bats home to sort and band. She and the Tuttle worked on the patio, and as they let the bats go one by one her mother came to visit. Bats went whizzing by the mother's face creating panic. She took refuge in the house and refused to be coaxed onto the patio even after the bats were well on their way to the feeding ground.

Work by the spelunkers was carried out on weekends. Mrs. McGrew was fascinated by the fact that the bats talked to each other and every so often one of the mild creatures would become agitated and try to bite the humans handling them. One of the major points Tuttle was trying to establish was whether or not bats are rabies carriers.

They found no rabid bats, but a scare compounded by a local news program wiped out much of the experiment. Someone exploded

dynamite in a bat cave under study, causing large numbers of the babies to let go which is fatal. If they lose their hold on mothers and fall to the floor, they become the prey of the mites that infest the guano piles. They are too young to fly.

Van Swearingen found their radar fascinating. He is a technician in optics and is firmly convinced that bats see with their ears. John French is also fascinated by the built in radar. He is an electronics engineer in experimental systems. He found that researchers use different techniques in trapping bats.

From Florida

Using the same method the Fish and Wildlife Commission does, the doctor and his teams checked banded bats to study their migratory habits. They discovered one colony where the females came from Florida and spent the summer with bachelors of another colony. Nobody knows why. Others

have found colonies migrating along other flyways, following rivers.

Spelunkers and speleologists are a menace to the bat population during the hibernation period because a sudden noise or light can cause them to expend energy and come out of hibernation. Too many periods of wakefulness can cause death. From May to July, spelunkers should stay out of bat brood caves. Each disturbance can cause 20 to 40 per cent mortality rate.

Moss was not as active in the research as some of the others but he did help.

In winter, the bats are dormant. Some researchers use this time to capture them. Others have devised methods of tuning out bat radar to bag them. All are convinced the bat is doomed unless new bugkillers can be found that are harmless to bat systems.

Members of the local grotto are awaiting publication of the treatise they helped research.



HELP WITH BAT RESEARCH—John Van Swearingen adjusts the lamp on the helmet of Ruth McGrew. Both are cave explorers, members of the Huntsville Grotto of the American Speleological Society who participated in a research project on the habits of bats. They are also in the Research, Development, Engineering and Missile Systems Laboratories of the Army Missile Command.

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In 1969, the Civil Service Retirement Law was amended in several significant respects. Eligibility for retirement and the amount of the benefits were liberalized.

Retirement deductions and matching agency contributions were increased, and the average salary used in computing annuities was changed from hi-5 to hi-3. But more importantly, the credit for unused sick leave was included as creditable service in

counting the number of years and months of service for annuity computation purposes.

During a career in the Federal Service of 30 years duration, it is not unreasonable to assume that an employee will accrue 2080 hours of sick leave, equivalent to one year of creditable service.

Should a person 55-years old retire after 30 years of service with a hi-3 of \$15,000 and 2080 hours of accrued sick leave, he would receive an extra \$23 per month in retirement pay.

According to actuary tables, the life expectancy of a 55-year-old male is 21 years. Thus, the basic

added income from sick leave would be \$5796.

Civil Service annuities, however, are tied to the cost of living as determined by the Consumer Price Index. Since the annuities have been rising at the rate of approximately five per cent each

year, the value of the unused sick leave could be worth as much as \$10,920 over a 21-year span.

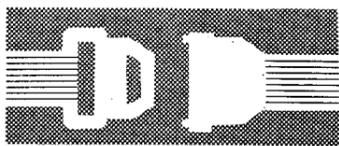
Whether the amount is \$5976 or \$10,920, the fact remains that this is a lot of extra retirement money for a relatively simple act—taking sick leave only if absolutely necessary.

Of course, sick leave is also important should a person have an extended illness. Even expensive insurance policies that insure pay

while ill and off the job usually do not provide full income. But civil service employees who have saved sick leave have full pay—even for extended periods if they have saved many hours.

In addition, as a person accrues sick leave and his basic salary increases, the dollar value of the sick leave increases. In other words, the value of the sick leave accrued last year is worth more in dollars and cents this year.

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Program Analyst Knows The Beauty of Coins

Have you ever heard the story about the man who squeezed a nickel so tight the buffalo belated? Jim Sanford, a Program Analyst in the TOW Project Office, doesn't squeeze his coins that hard, but he does look them over carefully to see if they fit into his collection.

Sanford is a Numismatist (coin collector) and is constantly on the lookout for different coins he needs to complete various sets in his collection.



JIM SANFORD

He has a set of Indian Head pennies that is almost complete except for a few key dates. His Mercury dime set lacks only a 1916 D and a 1941/42 overdate to round out his collection.

Though he does not consider himself a big collector, Sanford has a mighty good start. He has complete uncirculated sets of: Franklin half dollars, 1948-1963; Kennedy Half dollars, 1964-to-date; Washington quarters, 1940-to date; Roosevelt dimes, 1946-to date; and Jefferson nickels, 1938 to date.

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Sanford best described his reasons for being a coin collector when he said: "I get a lot of pleasure out of looking at the artistic beauty and designs of coins. There is a certain satisfaction in looking for and obtaining a rare and valuable coin for my collection. Then too, I enjoy the friendships I have formed through trading with and buying from other collectors."

Like many other coin collectors these days, Sanford keeps his collection in a bank safety deposit box to discourage would-be thieves. He feels that one of the secrets of coin collecting is buying something other collectors need and then swapping or selling to get what you need.

Sanford is currently serving as president of the Rocket City Coin Club which currently meets the third Thursday of every month. He extends an invitation to anyone interested in coin collecting to attend a special program on Thursday evening, Feb. 17 in the Madison Room of the Russel Erskine Hotel. The guest speaker will be Dr. Walter B. Jones of Huntsville, who will speak on Obsolete Currency of Alabama.

Interested persons can call Jim Sanford at 876-4951 for further information.

Prompt Claim Submission Reduces Delay In Payment

Officials of the Civilian Health and Medical Program of the Uniformed Services (CHAMPUS) have announced that beneficiaries can help prevent delays in claims payment by not withholding receipts and itemized statements until the end of the fiscal year.

They encourage beneficiaries to submit claims for payment of authorized outpatient medical care bills to their state fiscal administrators on a regular basis after the annual deductible has been satisfied.

The annual outpatient deductible requirement is \$50 in charges for one beneficiary and not to exceed \$100 per family if two or more beneficiaries use the program.

After the deductible requirement is met, CHAMPUS pays for 80 percent of the authorized outpatient care for dependents of active duty personnel and for 75 percent of the charges for retired personnel, their authorized dependants, and for survivors of decreased active duty or retired personnel.

The deductible must be met each fiscal year (from 1 July - 30 June), but CHAMPUS officials noted that holding claims until the end of the fiscal year and then submitting

them in quantity causes considerable delay in payments.

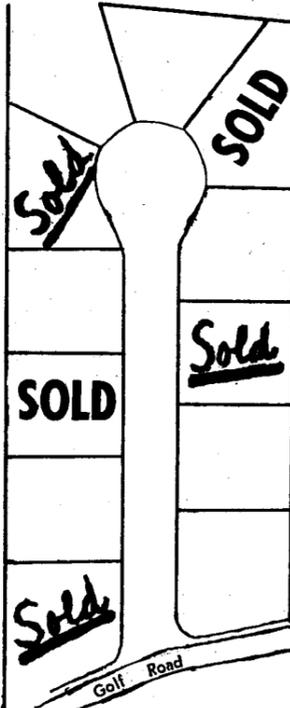
CHAMPUS beneficiaries, say the officials, who pay their medical and pharmacy bills directly to the provider of care should send the

receipts or itemized statements to the fiscal administrator as soon as their value exceeds \$25 to \$30.

Local personnel who have questions concerning the CHAMPUS program should telephone or visit the Installation CHAMPUS Advisor, Office of the Registrar, U.S. Army Hospital, Redstone Arsenal, telephone 876-2971 or 876-8420.

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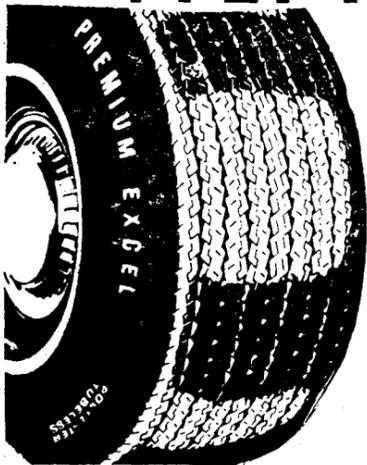
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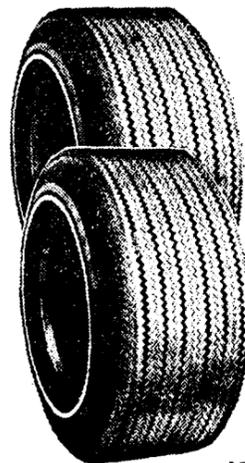
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NSLI Dividends May Be Used For More Coverage

Nearly four million veterans will be hearing from the Veterans Administration in the months ahead as the result of two bills signed into law last month.

VA insurance officials said 3.9 million veterans with "V"-prefixed World War II National Service Life Insurance (NSLI) policies are eligible under PL 92-188, commencing in July 1972, to buy additional paid up NSLI with insurance dividends. They will be mailed information and asked if they want to use their dividends that way.

About 25 percent, or one million veterans, they reported, are expected to apply in writing for the insurance which requires no physical examination. Use of dividends to buy paid up insurance is common practice with commercial insurance companies, it was noted.

Officials said 650,000 of the 3.9 million NSLI policyholders have accumulated insurance dividends with the agency. These funds are used to pay any delinquent premiums to prevent lapse of policies, unless the veteran requests in writing that his dividends be paid in cash, or elects some other option, they explained.

Veterans having accumulated dividends with VA can expect to hear from the agency in June or July. PL 92-188 becomes effective July 1, and these veterans have six months to decide if they want to use their dividends for additional paid up insurance.

All other eligible NSLI policyholders will be notified in advance of their policy anniversary dates (dividend due date), starting with those which become due next July.

Under the other new law, PL 92-193, many of these same veterans and others will be notified beginning next June before renewal dates of their NSLI policies about a new insurance plan called Modified Life 70.

The purpose of this plan, according to VA officials, is to make it financially feasible for veterans with term policies (premiums go up periodically) to convert to insurance on which premiums remain at a level amount.

Premiums will be lower than for other level premium insurance, it was explained, because insurance face value will be reduced 50 percent on the veteran's 70th birthday, when many veterans feel they require less insurance.

The old Modified Life insurance has a face value reduction of 50 percent on the insured's 65th birthday.

About 200,000 veterans who hold old Modified Life insurance policies will be given an opportunity to convert to the new Modified Life 70 plan, VA officials added.



THREE EAGLES—Redstone Arsenal Boy Scout Troop 203 recently had three scouts make Eagle at the same Court of Honor. These are the first scouts in the troop to make Eagle in over two years. The new Eagles are: Dale Teruya, Steve James and Howard Kinch.

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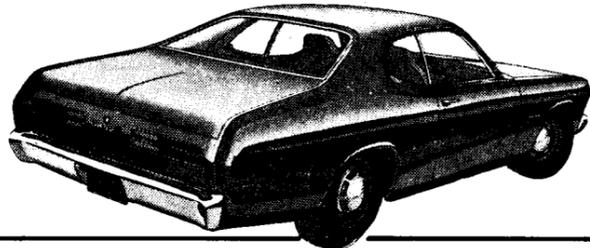
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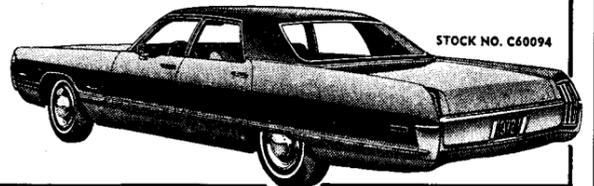
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"I just came in out of the cotton patch and went to work during World War II when people were needed and I needed a job," Mrs.

Hollingsworth said of her first employment with the Air Force in Gadsden. She started at the lowest grade and has had to go back to the bottom again about three times due to employment circumstances.

"But there's no point in looking back - I look forward," said the cheerful, efficient program analyst.

"Working, for me, just meant earning a living, not planning a great career the way young people do today. I've loved every minute of my 26 years at work, just going about my business and having some fun to boot."

"I've been the only woman in an

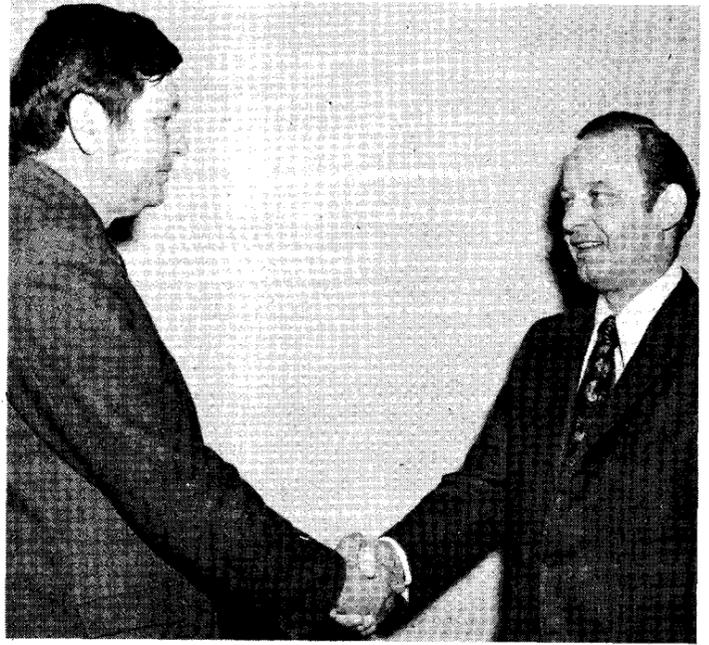
office full of men, and it seem to me there isn't much discrimination against women in the government."

She said her recipe for success is years of hard work that were mixed with raising little Hollingsworths, now grown, and an ability to get along well with fellow workers. "But most of all, you must be able to laugh at yourself," she said, then launched into a technical description of her duties as a program analyst.

She learned the missile business through working closely with hardwork oriented programs, first at the Army Missile Command, then at SAFLOG.

The young Hollingsworths are two sons and two daughters. Mrs. Hollingsworth helped her older son through Auburn University where he studied pharmacy, and now he practices in Arab. The second son is also going the medicine route - he is a junior at Auburn in the Pharmacy School.

The older daughter is married, and the younger one, a senior at Butler High, is planning a career in choral interpretation beginning next fall at Flagler College, St. Augustine, Fla.



TAKES OFFICE—Sam Zeman (right) receives congratulations from outgoing president Garland Grace as he takes over as President of Thiokol's Management Club. Zeman has been associated with Thiokol since 1958 and is presently Chief of Thiokol's Rocket Engineering Section. Other new officers installed include: Gary Davis, First Vice President; Jo Killian, Second Vice President; Doris Osmer, Secretary; and, Linda Auguish, Treasurer.



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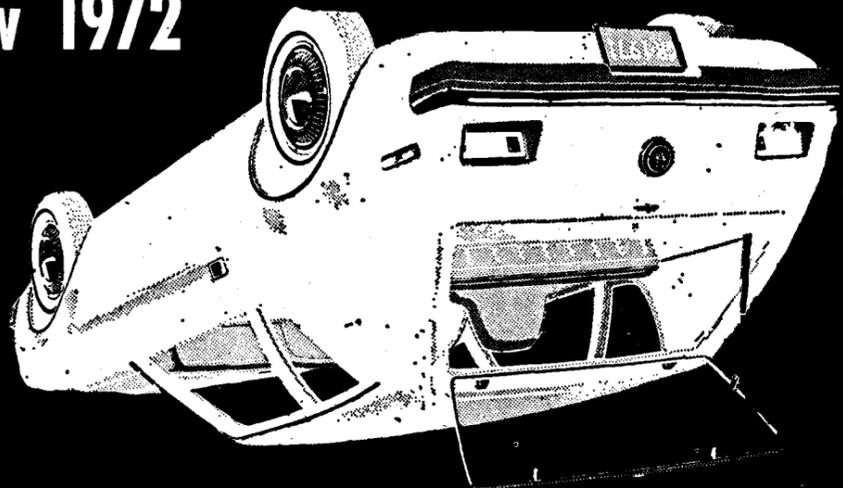
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Wives Examine The Huntsville Project

The February luncheon of the Redstone Arsenal Officers Wives Club was a success due to the lovely decorations and to charming guest speaker.

The MEDDAC hostesses had decorated the ballroom in the red and white colors of Valentine's Day using cupids and hearts in various arrangements on the tables. Thanks go to Mrs. James M. Feltis, Jr., the chairman, and her committee members including Mrs. Lloyd Williams, Mrs. Donald McClure, Mrs. John J. Miller, Mrs. Richard Matthews, and Mrs. Alan Taranto.

Following the luncheon, Mrs. James T. Haynes, OWC president, presented Mrs. Morris Pettit with a framed award of appreciation from the OWC for her many contributions to the OWC, military and civic organizations.

Mrs. C. Frederick Kleis, first vice president, introduced the guest speaker, Dr. A. Jack Turner, a most charming and informative speaker. Dr. Turner, research director and psychologist for the Huntsville-Madison County Mental Health Center, spoke about "The Huntsville Project" which he explained is a "Behavioral Modification Program."

Huntsville's Mental Health Center is the model center for the United States in a program dealing with new approaches to treating mental illness. He said that during the first year of the program statistics dealing with unwanted or unfavorable behavior were compiled in Huntsville-Madison County.

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Johnston Speaks At ISA Session

The February meeting of the Instrument Society of America will explore Skylab resources experiments in support of agriculture.

Guest speaker for the February 22 meeting at the Russel Erskine Hotel will be Garland Johnston who is chief of the Vibration and Acoustics Test Section for the Marshall Center.

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A CLOSER LOOK— General Harold K. Johnson (right), U.S. Army (ret.), gets a close look at a matrix array antenna during a tour of facilities at the Missile Command. Describing the hardware, which is part of a MICOM research program to investigate low-cost antenna techniques, is Bill Spaulding of the Advanced Sensors Directorate.

Always Strive For Number One

Ten servicemen, including seven marines, graduated from two classes in a joint graduation ceremony here on Monday. The two courses were the Air Defense Missile Maintenance Technician course and the Hawk Fire Control Repair course. The duration of the courses was 41 and 35 weeks, respectively.

The graduation address was delivered by Lt. Col. Robert E. Fuller of the Office of Doctrine Development, Literature and Plans. He told the class that in this computerized age where men are too often assigned or considered a number, each individual still has the potential to carry himself to a higher plateau in life.

"To your creditors you are a number. To your bank you are a number. . . . Your class standing is another number. . . . But of what significance is your class

standing. . . ? he asked.

Fuller explained that men of the past who have had only mediocre academic records had achieved greatness, including Robert E. Lee, Ulysses S. Grant, and George Armstrong Custer.

Fuller concluded that a man's performance is gauged by numbers in both military and civilian life. The next step for the graduates, he said, will be the opportunity to try to be number one.

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NAMES IN THE NEWS

By SP4 Rod Andersson

Post SOM

SP4 John D. Shorb came out on top last week as January's Post soldier of the month. Shorb, a Redeye repair student assigned to the 4th ETC, beat out other competitors, then went back to



SHORB

studying for his finals.

When he graduated last week, Shorb collected again—this time, as the honor graduate of his class. Shorb calls Yucaipa, Calif., home.

New Beginning

Meanwhile, SP4 Larry R. Reed was named Soldier of the Month for the First Battalion for February.

Reed, an instructor in the Shil-laghlagh branch, was selected over



REED

two other entrants from the fighting first. Originally from Bellevue, Washington, Reed attended the University of Washington in Seattle before he entered the Army in March, 1971. The

Co. B soldier will face the top troops from Second Battalion, UTC, and MICOM later this month in search of post SOM honors.

Top Wheel Man

Other honors last week went to SP4 John McCracken, who was named Best Driver of January for the Third U. S. Army's Unit Training Command. His vehicle was also judged the best in the outfit.

McCracken, a wheeled vehicle



McCRACKEN

repairman assigned to the 249th Ordnance Detachment, originally comes from Arnold, Mo. He entered the Army in September 1970, and has been a Redstone ranger since he completed basic training at Ft. Leonard Wood.



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Distinguished Grads
Hard stripe NCOs got into the act, too. SGTs Clyde D. Umphrey and Frank R. Cole, instructors in the Ammunition Department,

were both named as distinguished graduates of the Basic Leadership Course conducted at Tin City.

The BLC distinguished graduate award is not limited to one student in the course, and the award is not necessarily given for each course.

Distinguished graduates are named on the basis of their performance through the entire course, including academic standing, military bearing, and a classmate evaluation.

Umphrey, originally from Birmingham, was a mortarman before he entered the munitions



UMPHREY

field in 1966.

Cole, who attended high school in Philadelphia, is also an instructor in ammunition maintenance. Formerly, he was a Nike missile launcher repairman.

Promotions

If you hear a lot of men from Co. B shouting "Bravo" this week, it may be because of their unit pride. It also might be due to the handful of promotions in the unit last week.

New E-8's last week were MSG's Kenneth Dockendorf and Charles E. Rideout.

Three other B troopers put on

E-7 stripes for the first time: SFC's Walter R. Hockman, Albert J. Shaw and Ralph E. Pyle.

There's one more SFC—he's from the Third U.S. Army's Unit Training Command here. SFC Norman R. Skeeters joined the ranks of the senior NCO's. All the new senior NCO's are now eligible to join the Redstone Top Three Association, whose next meeting is March 20.

Seven soldiers from various units were promoted to E-5 last month. They are: Randy A.

Heidt, Ralph M. Harris, and Ernest L. Presley, all of Co. B.

James L. Trafford of Co. C got a new stripe, too.

Down UTC way, new E-5's were Glenn W. Edwards of the 200th Ordnance Detachment, and John McCarthy and Finance W. Smith, both of the 157th Ord.

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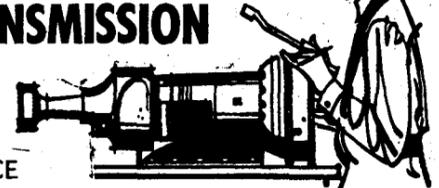
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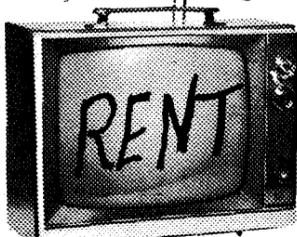
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Drug Fight

CAMERON STATION, VA.—
Topping the menu of the February issue of SOLDIERS are five feature articles that will bring you up-to-date on the Army's continuing fight against drug abuse. "Battle Plan for Drugs," "Getting Clean," "Rap House," "Don't Get It Wrong" and "Lingo of the Drug Scene" constitute provocative reading for every GI.

There's a switch in pitch when the Army's official magazine presents "Consciousness 4," a penetrating look into the world of transcendental meditation, better known as TM.

What is TM? It's been around for at least 6,000 years but to contemporize, experiments at the Harvard Medical School, at Stanford University and at the University of California at Los Angeles confirm that many physiological changes take place during transcendental meditation.

And before you declare that TM is for way outs or turned-on characters, reconsider. One of the military's foremost supporters of TM is Major General Franklin M Davis, Commandant of the Army War College at Carlisle Barracks, PA. Among other benefits, he found his blood pressure had dropped 10 points after 2 weeks of TM.

If action is more your thing, turn to "Under Northern Lights," an account of the art of mushing or dog sled racing. It's the story of an Army lieutenant, his wife, and their menagerie of sled dogs. You'll find out it isn't a snap sport.

Also, it isn't easy to get Americans to the polls, even though 1972 is an election year. "YOU-the Voter" is aimed right at you, not the other guy. It presents need-to-know information on how you can cast your vote even though you're far away from home. Yes, soldier—your vote does count.

And to show you that you count too, catch "Barracks Go Mod" and "Add A Little Love," two features about how Army living is on the upswing.

These and many other features are the main bill of fare but the trimmings are just as tempting.

"Editor's Choice" will generate a chuckle. "What's New" and "Soldiers Dateline" spotlight what's going on in your Army and give you hard facts you can use. "Write On" features the best of letters sent to the editor and then a funny thing happens on your way through the magazine—"Unofficially Speaking," laugh-tested cartoons.



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