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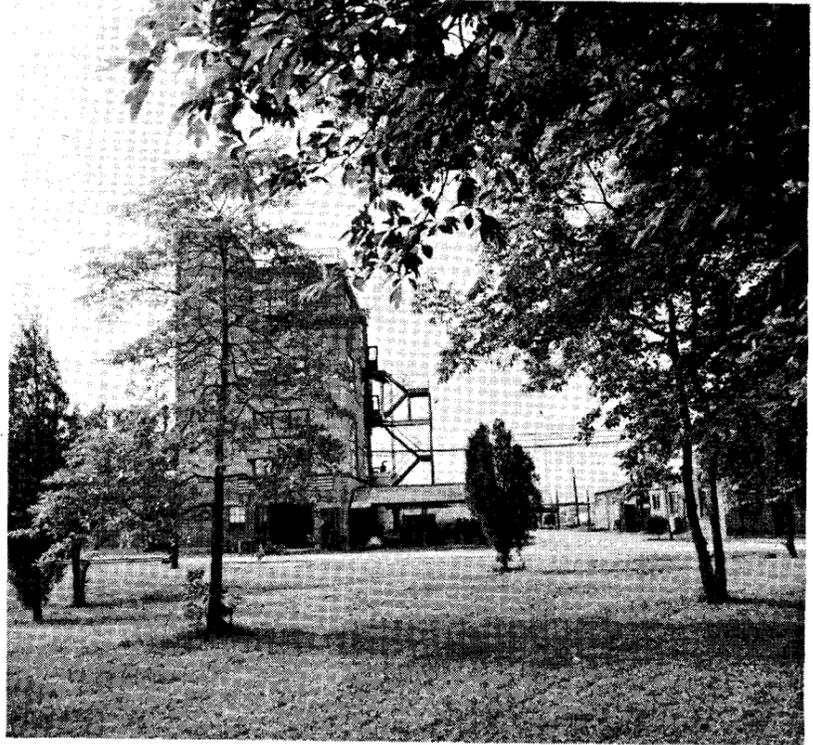
Local retirements could pick up this week as a result of the 124.3 Consumer Price Index figure for April announced last Friday by the U. S. Department of Labor.

Both civilian and military pensions are tied to the CPI under a complicated escalator system. It requires that the CPI jump at least 3 per cent over the CPI at the time of the last annuity increase.

The CPI must then remain at that level, or higher, for three consecutive months. When that happens, the annuity increase becomes automatic.

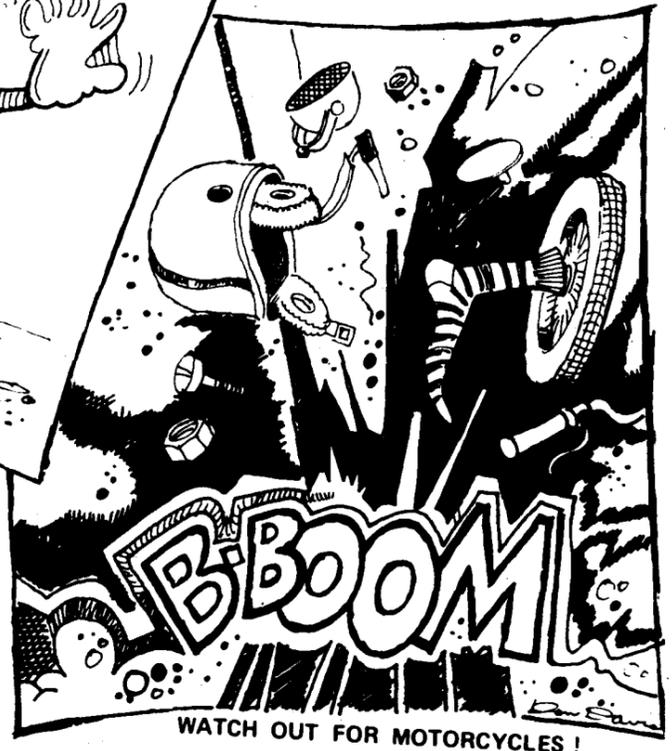
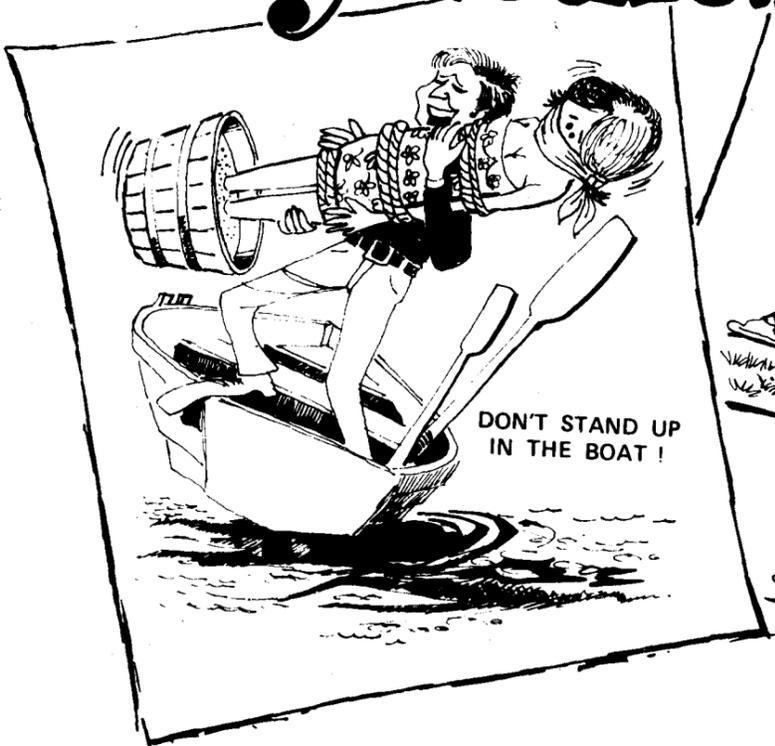
Civilian and military personnel on the retirement rolls as of July 1 are eligible for the pension increase which will show up in retiree checks mailed out for August delivery. The increase will be 4.8 per cent.

In the MICOM civilian personnel area retirements prior to or by June 30 could affect the current situation in which more than 200 individuals received notices of reassignment or downgrading due to consolidation of function and internal organization by creating vacancies to which some of these persons could be reassigned.



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## Play Safe...



Spring is advanced, summer is upon us and thoughts are turning to outdoor recreation and those things we enjoy so much . . . motoring, boating, fishing, picnicking, camping, baseball, etc.

Thousands will be taking to the highways and crowding recreational areas this week to take advantage of the first long weekend holiday of the season.

It sounds good but it will also be a weekend filled with hazards and

tragedies, many of which could be avoided.

There are many things we as individuals can do to make sure that summer weekend outings are pleasant:

Assure that whatever mechanical equipment we may be using is kept in good working order . . . avoid trying something with an element of danger which we do not really know how to do . . . stay alert . . . watch the other fellow and play it safe.

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## Rocket Ruminations

A promise made is a debt unpaid.

—John D. Rockefeller, Jr.

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There's a phone on the Arsenal which isn't ringing as often as it might. Maybe it's because people don't know the number. Maybe it's because they don't know what happens when they dial it.

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## Answers

(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 AMSMI-G. 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:** Why should I be a member of the Association of the U. S. Army?

**ANSWER:** The Association of the U. S. Army is the professional organization for all Department of the Army personnel, military and civilian. It is a voluntary, educational, nonprofit organization dedicated to the premise that a strong, modern, mobile Army is vitally essential to our National Defense.

Any American interested in the Army and National Security is eligible for membership. One of the national objectives of the organization is to contribute to a greater public understanding of the rationale for and requirements of an adequate National Defense posture and to serve as a sounding board and forum for issues relevant to the Army.

Local chapter activities have included recognition of both civilian and military personnel for outstanding contributions toward fulfilling the Army's mission, recognizing and assisting veterans, bringing AUSA's position on certain matters affecting the Army to the attention of local Congressmen and news media, and supporting local military commanders in their community relations programs. Of course the final decision as to whether or not you are a member of AUSA is up to you.

**QUESTION:** What per centage of MICOM checks are mailed directly to individuals? To banks or other savings institutions?

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The state programs include payments to both living veterans and to next of kin of soldiers who die either in action or as a result of service-connected injuries.

Qualification requirements and total entitlements vary from state to state, and residents of these states are encouraged to check with the veterans affairs office in their states.

## Black History



### Deborah Gannett—Soldier

By Ed Beasley

You know about Molly Picher, the lady who replaced her fallen husband when he was injured while firing a cannon in the Revolutionary War. But, have you heard of Deborah Gannett? Debra Gannett was a Black woman who wanted to fight for American Independence. So, in 1781 she dressed up like a man and enlisted in the Massachusetts Militia. Using the name Robert Shurliff, Deborah Gannett served as a soldier for 17 months.

After the war, Deborah was in need of money, so she applied for the pension that Robert Shurliff was entitled to. When the Massachusetts legislature investigated and learned the truth, they were astonished but grateful; and Deborah Gannett was awarded a very generous pension for service to her country.

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Registration will be in ROOM 216 CARVER COMPLEX, NORTH, during the hours of 1:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m., June 5 and 6, 1972.

Materials for registration by mail will be forwarded upon request.

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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT  
Dr. Joseph R. Jenkins, Director  
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# New AMC Headquarters Expected Ready By Early Fall

The new 13-story Army Materiel Command (AMC) headquarters building, now under construction near Cameron Station in Alexandria, Va., is expected to be ready for occupancy by mid-September, according to information received recently from AMC.

Move to the new headquarters will begin shortly after the completion date, and will bring all personnel into one location. Some

## Dragon Second Source Sought

The Missile Command is looking for a second producer of Dragon missiles and, in July will begin evaluating proposals submitted by contractors who are capable of manufacturing the tank killers.

Proposals are to be submitted to the Missile Command in response to letters the Army sent to 35 companies.

Later this year, the Army will select one company as a second producer of Dragon missiles. McDonnell-Douglas is Dragon prime contractor.

Many of the 35 companies that got Army letters attended a bidder's conference at Redstone just recently to ask questions and learn more about Army requirements. Meeting with them were MICOM representatives from Procurement and Production, Product Assurance, Dragon project office and the Safety Office.

Dragon is a shoulder-fired

staff offices have been located at various sites in the Washington area outside Building T-7, the main headquarters.

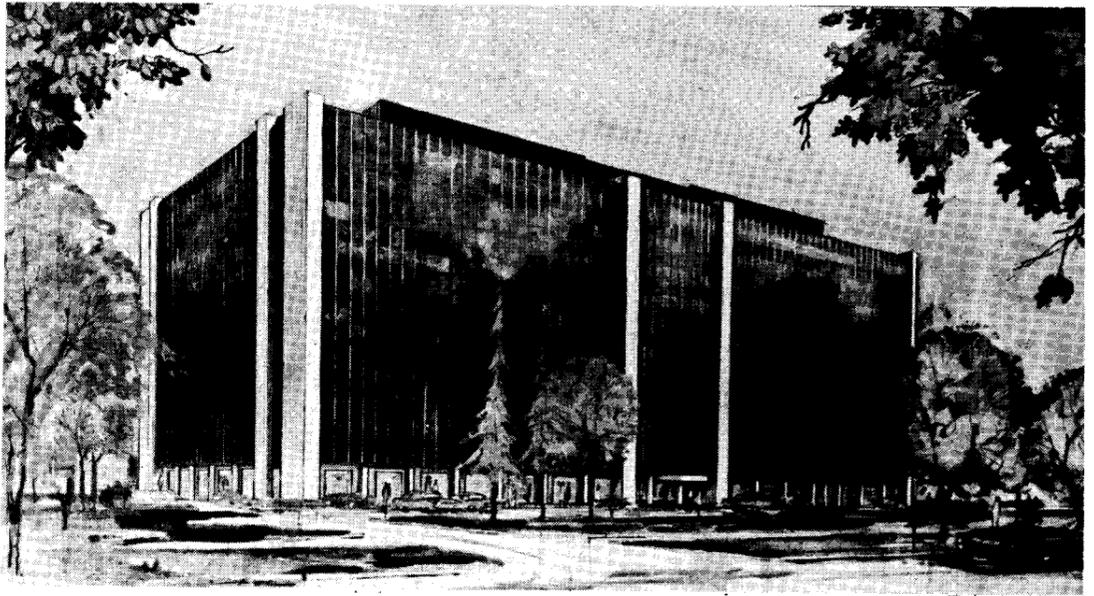
The building is privately owned. The contract for its construction was awarded by the General Services Administration.

AMC will occupy the entire building except for first floor commercial enterprises and an area of approximately 2500 square feet of office space. The AMC Equipment Authorization Review Center, now located at Ft. Belvoir, Va., will move to the new building. The only contract signed at present for a commercial enterprise is with the company that will operate the cafeteria and restaurant.

Parking, always a problem in the Washington area, will be provided on two sides of the new building with approximately the same number of spaces as now available at Building T-7. There will be a parking fee of \$12.50

weapon system that is being produced to enable the individual soldier to kill a tank with one shot. It can destroy any known enemy armor.

Robert P. Whitley is Dragon project manager for the Army.



NEW HOME . . . SOON TO BE AMC HEADQUARTERS

per month for the first five years. Payment of the fee entitles employees to reserved, numbered spaces in the lot. No street parking is permitted.

Two of the 13 stories are underground and will house AMC

heavy equipment such as ADP and communications. The building will be serviced by 11 high

speed elevators. There will be no Post Exchange in the building. This convenience is available

at nearby Cameron Station.

After the move, AMC headquarters will not be on the Oxford telephone exchange which services the Pentagon, but will have a seven-digit number.

## Latest Job Info As Near As The Nearest Telephone

The U.S. Civil Service Commission has announced installation of a new toll-free telephone service to give the public quick, easy and direct access to federal employment information.

From anywhere in any one of 46 states a person can call his federal job information center without a toll charge—a pay phone even returns his dime.

In addition to improving federal job information to the public, the

commission says it expects that toll-free telephone service will help make staffing activities more effective. Personnel offices can now refer both local job seekers and updated hiring needs information directly to the federal job information center. The increased public access is also expected to give the commission expanded recruitment capabilities

in job markets throughout the U.S.

Persons wishing to get the toll-free number in their state should check the white pages of the telephone directory under U.S. Civil Service Commission or call the information operator: (800) 555-1212. Toll-free numbers are available at this time in all states except Alaska, Hawaii, California and Rhode Island.

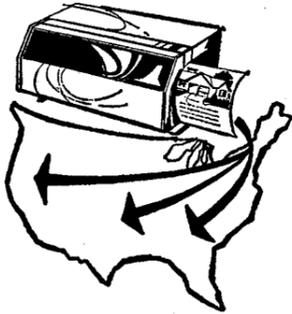
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## A&M Dean Heads Seminar

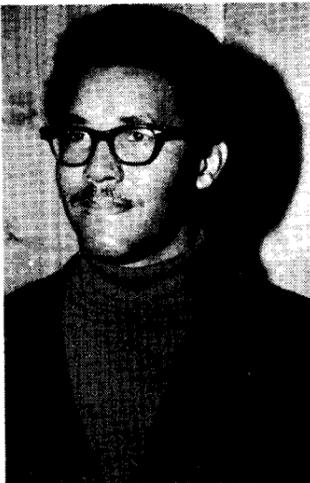
The second in a series of three Equal Employment Opportunity seminars being conducted by the Directorate of Personnel, Training and Force Development will be held on Thursday morning starting at nine in Building 3170.

The seminars have an objective of increasing the awareness of minority group employment problems and bringing about a team interest in the resolution of the problems.

Conducting the seminars is Dr. Carl H. Marbury, dean of the School of Library Media at Alabama A&M University.

In each session Dr. Marbury centers his discussion around three topics, "Realities and Dynamics," "History of the Problems," and "Revolution or Resolution."

LeRoy Daniels, who is monitoring the seminars, said the series was initiated in April and will be concluded with the final session set for June 22.



DR. MARBURY

## Post Theatre

WEDNESDAY, 24 May  
"Such Good Friends" (R)

THURSDAY-FRIDAY, 25-26 May  
Walt Disney's "The Aristocrats" (G)  
INCREASED ADMISSION: adults 50c, children 25c

SATURDAY, 27 May  
"YOG—Monster from Space" (G)

SUNDAY-MONDAY, 28-29 May  
"Hannie Caulder" (R)  
INCREASED ADMISSION: adults 50c, children 25c

TUESDAY, 30 May  
"Possession of Joel Delaney" (R)

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

## Army Secretary Tours Kwajalein

Secretary of the Army Robert F. Froehlke is on a tour of U.S. Army activities in the Pacific, including a scheduled stop at the Kwajalein Missile Range which is operated by the Safeguard System Command.

The Department of the Army said he will also visit troop units and personnel in Hawaii, the Republic of Korea, the Phillipines, and the Republic of China (Taiwan).

## Major Heads Ballet Company

Major A. F. Quattromani of Safeguard's Production and Logistics Directorate has been elected President of the Board of Directors of the Huntsville Ballet Company and School.

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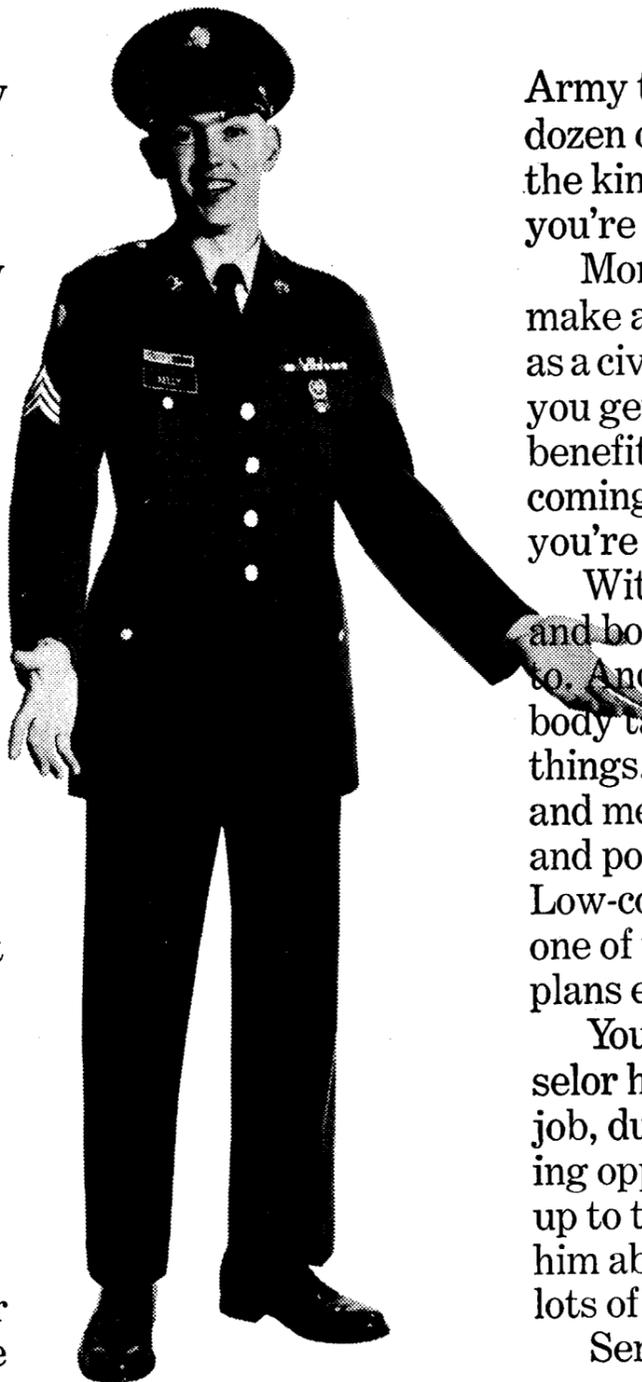
"I wanted to do something different. And the Army said okay. So I picked radio mechanic and got it.

"There's the other benefits too. Free medical care. Dental work. Any legal assistance.

"And I have lots of time to do the things I want. And the retirement. I've thought a great deal about it. Sit around at age 37 and draw half of whatever I make in rank. That's not bad."

Sergeant Kelly figures the Army offers just about all the things a man needs.

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Army there's bound to be a dozen or so that'll give you the kind of self-fulfillment you're looking for.

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Sergeant Kelly has good reasons for staying in.

## Why are you staying in?

## Building Own Airplane A Long Time Ambition

Hobbies aren't fun when they take up all of your spare time and keep you on a treadmill. Jess Maulsby, an engineer in the SAM-D Project Office, is building his own airplane, but it's strictly a long range leisurely hobby.

He has been working on his plane for three years and figures it will be another three year before he finishes.

According to Maulsby, "I like to fly and have always wanted to build my own plane, but I am not going to let it interfere with my family activities. As a family, we have a variety of interests and I don't want my hobby to come ahead of everything else." Maulsby is building a Jodel F-12 Falconair in his garage. He has already completed two sides of the fuselage and has them hanging on the wall of the garage waiting to be covered. He is in the process of building spars and framework for the wings, but he hasn't monopolized the whole garage for his project.

There's still plenty of room for the model airplanes his 17 and 20 year old sons built several years ago. The three family bicycles haven't been put out in the weather to rust, and Maulsby still has the transmission and motor from the hotrod he built when he was courting his wife, stored away in the corner.

When Maulsby talks of his plane he still brings up family participation: "Both of my sons like flying, but not as much as I do. I plan to take them with me on some of the flights when the plane is finished. My wife doesn't fly, but she doesn't object to my building the plane because I never let in-

terfere with our activities together."

Though he is a member of the Experimental Aircraft Association and has had his pilot's license since 1967, this is his first attempt to build his own plane. In the past he has always rented a plane when he wanted to fly.

One thing for sure... when Maulsby does get his plane finished, he won't have to bother renting one... he can fly his own, because he built the whole thing.

## Grays Nip NASA For First Win

The MICOM Grays evened their season's slate in the B Division of the Huntsville Industrial Tennis league with a 5-4 win over the Marshall Center in the second round of league action.

The civilian netters scored their win by taking four of the six singles sets and one point in doubles.

The Grays open the third round of HITL play this week with M&S Computers providing the opposition.

Bob James, Jim Burt, Joe Mitchell and Joe Craft shalked up the winning points individual play. Burt and Craft teamed up for the point in doubles that assured the team victory.



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## All-CWF Duel In Skeet Loop

Missile Command civilian skeet shooters will hook up in an intramural shoot out next Tuesday when the Huntsville Skeet League resumes competition at the Pine Bluff Skeet Range.

It will be the MICOM Reds, winners of five out of six points, pitted against the MICOM Blues, who have broke even in two matches. Both teams are sponsored by the Civilian Welfare Fund Council.

The Reds opened their slate with a 3-0 sweep of Boeing and came back to shade the Marshall Center shooters in a 2-1 decision.

Kirby Moore turned in a perfect 50 for 50 run in the opener and Kelly Grider was almost as proficient in smashing 49 birds.

## MICOM Girls Headed Toward Another Title

The Missile Command's girls softball team apparently has no intention of abdicating their Huntsville Women's league championship and already has chalked by four wins in defense of the title they have held for three years.

The Civilian Welfare Fund-sponsored gals have run roughshod over three opponents after winning the first contest when the opposition was unable to field a team.

Safeguard was victimized 19-2 and Martin Stove fell under a 16-10 barrage in games played last week. The week before MICOM hung a 17-0 shutout on Automatic Electric.

Brown Engineering provides the Pat McIngvale and Lew Hurt each went 49 x 50 in the win over MARS.

The Blues were unable to put anything together in dropping a 3-0 nod to MARS but came back to even their slate at the expense of Boeing.

Charles Lewis negotiated a 49 x 50 run in the winning Blue effort.

opposition for MICOM in a 5:15 contest this evening and the MICOM girls go to Sheffield on Saturday evening for a pair of exhibition games.

Sixty-three base hits with a liberal sprinkling of extra base raps rang from the MICOM bats in support of near perfect defensive play in each of the three winning efforts.

Donna Hudson, Barbara Ikard and Glenda Kidd each went three for four in the win over AE. One of Barbara's hits went for four bases and Jeanne Hayes hit another round tripper as Sara Fisk picked up the win.

Kathy Leeth paced the 23-hit assault on Safeguard with four out of five. Ikard and Hayes each hit safely three times in five tries, and Donna Whitmire stroked a pair of doubles.

Three home runs and a triple sparked the winning attack against Martin with Kidd, Ikard and Jackie Carswell each hitting for the circuit. Sherry Gray and Barbara Robinson had perfect 3 for 3 records.

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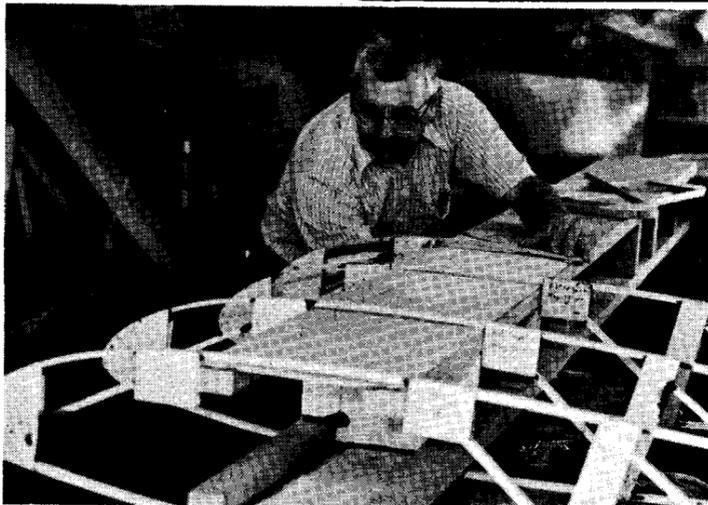
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# Arch Civilian League Rivals At It Again

## With Upset Of The Engineers MISD Gets Jump In Slo-Pitch

By Doug McKee

The second straight twin victory week has left MISD as the only unbeaten entry in the CWF slo-pitch softball league race. The only other unblemished record at the start of the week was erased when the Corps of Engineers fell before Materiel Management.

MISD whaled GEM, 21-8, on Tuesday and two nights later out-fought Missile Intelligence for a 10-5 decision. The Corps ran roughshod over Metrology, 33-5, before running afoul of MM in a 12-10 reversal.

The remainder of the Tuesday card saw MM down Missile Systems, 25-7, and MIA slip by SAFLOG. On Thursday GEM got even for the week with a 15-8 win over Missile Systems and Metrology did the same at the expense of SAFLOG, 10-4.

Jerry Arszman, John Roberts and Buddy Lewis each connected for the circuit as MISD cruised past GEM. Arszman added a double and a single to his output while a grand slammer by Dean Reese and a two-run shot by Wayne Dahlke provided most of the opposition scoring.

Roberts unloaded again on Thursday to provide the spark for the win over MIA. Bruce Coker got credit for his fourth win of the season with most of his trouble being generated by Bob Self with a homer and a trio of safeties by Pacheco.



"BIG JOHN" ROBERTS

The Corps' dreams of an unbeaten season came to an abrupt halt on Thursday when Materiel Management stifled a final inning rally, two runs short.

MM led 8-7 into the seventh and added four insurance runs. The Corps came back with three of their own and had the tying runs on base when the final out was made.

Steve Reed contributed three hits, good for four runs, to the winning attack and Marv Throneberry added an inside the park homer. Bradshaw and Fred Taylor homered for the Corps.

Earlier the Engineers went on a rampage with Jerry Mullinax setting the pace with six for six, including three two basers. Hamil Martin hit the only homer.

Throneberry, Jim Foules and Dewey Wilson collected four hits apiece to keep MM rolling for their win over Msl Systems. Lindon Calvert was the winner while Friedrich delivered a pair of triples and a single to the loser's cause.

The MIA-SAFLOG duel was a defensive battle with Bob Pacheco tipping the offensive scales in favor of MIA. He collected three safeties while none of the SAFLOG hitters were able to manufacture more than one.

## Takes An Extra Hole To Decide

Sonja Skemp won the Spring Golf Tournament of the Officers Wives Club last week among a field of 16 competitors.

The match play tournament chairman was Marion Deppensmith who arranged the play in two divisions.

It took 19 holes and sudden death for Mrs. Skemp from the B Division to win over Florence Teir, A division, a total of 73 holes.

The rest of the field played 54 holes with Mrs. Deppensmith runner up in the A Division and Kay Smith her counterpart in the B Division. Consolation honors went to Goldie Holt in A Division and Mimi Diehl in B.

GEM rebounded from the MISD loss to hand Msl Systems their fourth straight reversal. Dean Reese was once more the leading offensive threat with four for five while Perry Michael had three hits for MS.

The top pitching effort of the week was turned in by Don Agner in letting SAFLOG down with six hits as Metrology got an even split on the week.

McCormick generated the batting support for Agner with three straight singles.



CHAMPIONS—Sonja Skemp, center, captured the Spring Golf Tournament sponsored by the Officers Wives Club Golf Group. The contender (right) is Florence Teir. Marion Deppensmith served as tournament chairman this year. It took 19 holes of play before Sonja earned the right to have her name engraved on the cup. Sixteen members of the golf group competed for the honor.

## Out Front And Running Hard

Thoughts of a runaway race are already cropping up in the P&P Golf league just five weeks into the season.

Howard Andrews and Les Fisk are responsible for the dire thoughts. The two have swept all six points four times since the start of the schedule and lost a single point on their other outing.

Last week Paul Greib and Rick Shingler tried their luck against the Andrews-Fisk duo and found a pair of 60's too much and came away from the Piedmont Par 3

course without a point. The sweep enabled the leaders to build a six-point bulge over the second place tandem of Lee Keim and George Moss who vaulted into the runner up slot on the wings of a sweep of their own.

The second placers routed Grady Thrasher and Ken Williams with an 107 net. Keim toured the 18 holes in two-under 52 and Moss shot a 60.

Lou Snider trailed Keim in individual net by a stroke. He had five birds on his way to a 56 scratch round.

## Ping Pong Tourney

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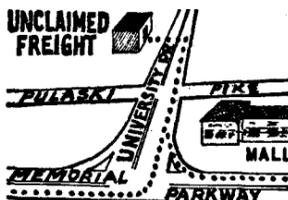
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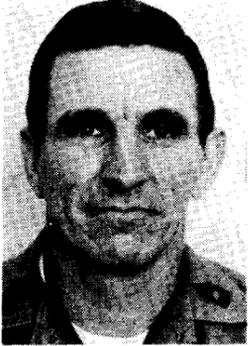
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**NAMES IN THE NEWS**  
 By SFC Wilfred Gileau

**Field Day**

The men of the 22nd Ordnance Detachment (Provisional), UTC, captured high scores in sports events at UTC's second annual field day. Events included baseball pitching for distance, horseshoes, tug-of-war and a pie eating contest. The first place winners received a two-day training holiday. An interesting aside is that the 22nd Ordnance Detachment has not yet been activated.

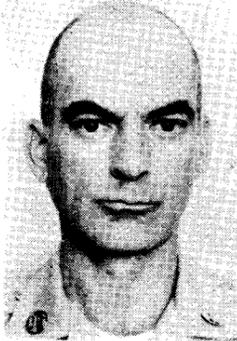
**Promotions**

M. Sgt. Douglas A. Johnson was recently promoted to his present



**JOHNSON**

rank at ceremonies held at HHC, USAUTC. The Tennessee native is assigned to the S4 office. Prior to his present assignment to MMCS, Johnson was assigned to the 337th Army Security Agency Company at Fort Riley and with the 509th Radio Re-



**THOMPSON**

search Group in the Republic of Vietnam.

M. Sgt. Theodore J. Thompson, HHC, USAUTC, was recently promoted to his present rank and awarded the Army Commendation Medal (1st Oak Leaf Cluster) at ceremonies held at UTC.



**GREZA**



**LANNERD**

Thompson is presently serving as NCOIC of the Nuclear Weapons Support section. He was previously assigned to Headquarters, VIII U.S. Army in the Republic of Korea. The ARCOM was presented for meritorious service while stationed in Korea.

**USMC Promotions**

Three members of the U.S. Marine Corps Administrative Detachment, MMCS, were recently promoted to Staff Sergeant and presented their warrants. They are: Terry L. Lannerd, Robert J. Foley and James E. Stewart.

**New Arrivals**

CPT Nickolas Helg-Greza, HHC, UTC (EOD) has been



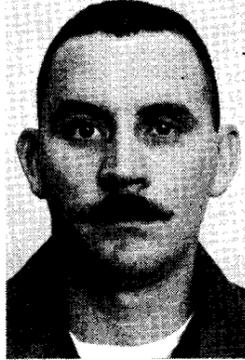
**BUTLER**



**FOLEY**

assigned as Range Safety Officer. Captain Helg-Greza's last assignment was with the 62nd Transportation Company (M.T.) Da Nang Support Command, Republic of Vietnam.

CW4 Fleming G. Butler has



**HOFFMAN**

recently been assigned as Material Readiness Officer in the office of Director of Individual Training, Air Defense Department, MMCS. Mr. Butler's last assignment was with Headquarters, Joint U. S. Military Assistance Group in the Republic of Korea.

**Awards**

S. Sgt. Peter D. Hoffman, HHC, USAUTC was recently awarded

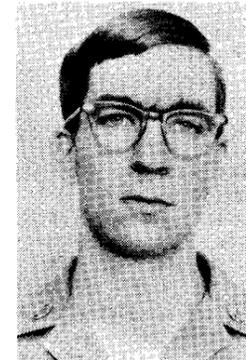


**STEWART**

the Bronze Star Medal with "V" device at ceremonies held at UTC. Hoffman was awarded the BSM for Valor while serving with the 287th Ordnance Detachment (EOD) in the Republic of Vietnam. He is an EOD instructor with UTC.

**SOM**

SP4 James L. Weaver, Company B, 1st Battalion, School Brigade, has been selected as 1st Battalion's Soldier of the Month



**WEAVER**

for May. Weaver hails from Anacortes, Washington, and is assigned as an Instructor. He will now compete against UTC and 2nd Battalion for MMCS Soldier of the Month.

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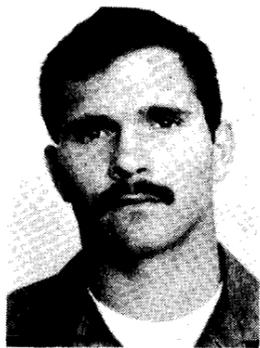
Corporal John J. Kassay, Jr., USMC, assigned to the U.S. Marine Corps Administrative Detachment, MMCS, recently won unit honors in the USMC semi-annual physical fitness program conducted at the Marine Detachment.

The overall test is based on a maximum of 300 points which requires the individual to complete 80 sit ups in two minutes, 20 pull ups and to run three miles in 18 minutes or less. The maximum for each event successfully completed is 100 points. Kassay successfully

obtained a maximum score for the first two events and completed the three mile run in 16 minutes, 45 seconds.

In addition to the semi-annual physical fitness tests which are required of all Marines, regardless of age, the Marines at the Detachment are required to participate in physical training for one hour, three days a week.

The grades given on the semi-annual tests reflect on the individual's physical performance markings which is a criteria for



KASSAY

promotion. However, performance is determined by age. Kassay was

in the younger age group which is 17-26.

Sgt. Glenn W. Thornton, USMC, a student in the HAWK program, was runner-up for top honors. He obtained the highest possible score in sit ups and pull ups but missed the run by 45 seconds.

The Detachment is active in the Huntsville school area in the promotion of the Physical Fitness program. They monitored the northern Alabama ROTC drill competition which is a national event and also the northern Alabama Youth Physical Fitness

competition which determines the champions for the Sixth Marine Corps District. The finals for the latter competition will be held on 14-17 June in Washington, D. C.

The Detachment provides color guards for parades, school games, national holidays, and is the major coordinating area for all Marine Administrative matters to include assistance to dependents and retired Marines.

At the present time there are 17 permanent party personnel and 19 students attending various HAWK missile courses at MMCS.

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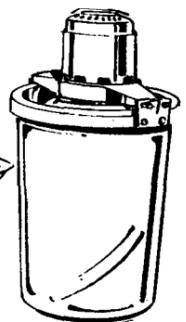
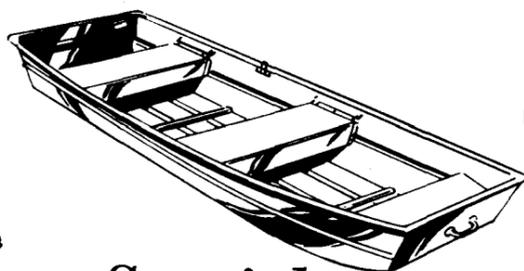
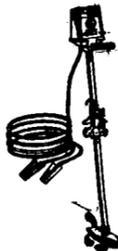
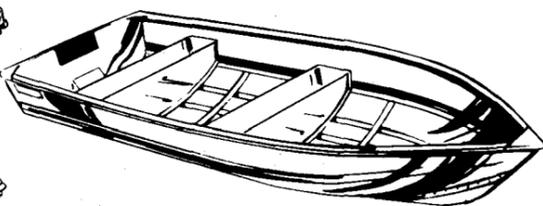
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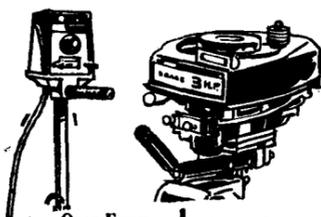
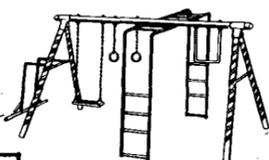
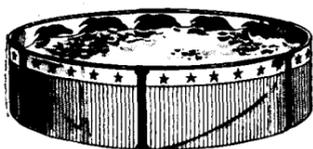
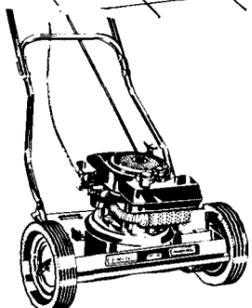


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# Involuntary Release Of Officers Outlined

Recent worldwide visits made by officials from Department of the Army have revealed a pronounced feeling of uncertainty and insecurity among junior officers as the result of action required to reduce strength levels.

While the trauma of involuntary release programs is recognized, maximum effort must be made to allay the apprehension of those officers remaining.

A brief summary of the circumstances necessitating officer involuntary releases and current status is provided for the benefit of our readers.

### Background

The Republic of Vietnam buildup which began in 1965 was made without benefit of the mobilization of reserve forces such as was done for World War II and the Korean Conflict.

The Army anticipated the problems of phasedown which would follow the peak strength buildup in 1968 and programmed actions to minimize the impact of personnel phasedown. The technique was to develop a baseline force for fiscal year 73 and plan a glideslope to be followed during the phasedown period from fiscal year 71 to the end of fiscal year 1973.

During fiscal year 71, an early release program for aviation warrant officers and a two month early release policy for OBV officers were initiated to generate losses in officer strength during fiscal year 71 and 72. Qualitative screening of reserve records resulted in the involuntary loss of approximately 1200 officers. However, over procurement and loss shortfall resulted in the Army ending fiscal year 71 over strength.

A rider to the draft legislation passed September 71 imposed an additional 50,000 man year reduction on the Army during fiscal year 72. This required that additional losses of approximately 11,000 officers be generated prior to 30 June 1972. The precipitous drop in officer strength in such a short period called for extraordinary measures. Numerous alternatives were examined which would achieve required losses with emphasis on voluntary release programs and which would lessen the impact on career committed reserve officers. As a result, approximately 4,200 company grade reserve officers will be voluntarily released by 30 June 1972.

### Involuntary Release

To further minimize impact on career officers, the two month early release of OBV officers was extended to four months. Under this program, OBV officers whose normal release dates fall between 1 July to 31 October 1972 will be involuntarily released by 30 June 1972. The decision to continue this program through fiscal year 73 is being studied and will be announced as soon as possible.

To obtain the balance of required losses, Department of the Army Active Duty Board (DAADB) action was necessary. Under the qualitative provisions of paragraph 3-58A, AR 635-100, as changed, DAADB Boards were convened and selected 2,436 officers and warrant officers for release. An additional 2,446 officers and warrant officers were quantitatively selected for release under the provisions of paragraph 3-58B. Qualitative Boards (UP paragraph 3-58A) will continue to meet as required. The latest Board met 10 April. Losses as the result of this Board and subsequent Boards will occur in fiscal year 73.

### Promotions

Temporary promotions to major are suspended until the end of fiscal year 72. The projected overstrength in this grade

precludes any further promotions during this fiscal year.

Temporary promotion to captain was also suspended because projected end strength exceeded the budgetary limitation.

In consonance with the above actions, the time in grade requirement for temporary

The group separation orientation session for military personnel being released from active duty during June and July will be held at 8:30 a.m. tomorrow in Toftoy Hall (Building 3495).

The Veterans Administration, Civil Service Commission, Social

promotion to first lieutenant is being extended.

Department of the Army does not foresee a need for further reductions-in-force of officers in fiscal year 72.

Security Administration, the U.S. Employment Service, and State Department of Veterans Affairs will have speakers at the meeting to relate the benefits of their agency's programs.

All service personnel being released from active duty in June and July are scheduled to attend.

## Dial 112 For Redstone News

The American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics will meet at the Officers Open Mess on May 25 to hear Dr. Rowland E. Burns of the Marshall Space Flight Center talk about the environment. The luncheon starts at 12:15.

The environmental studies talk will be technical. Further information can be obtained from Dr. Gerald R. Guinn, 532-1401.



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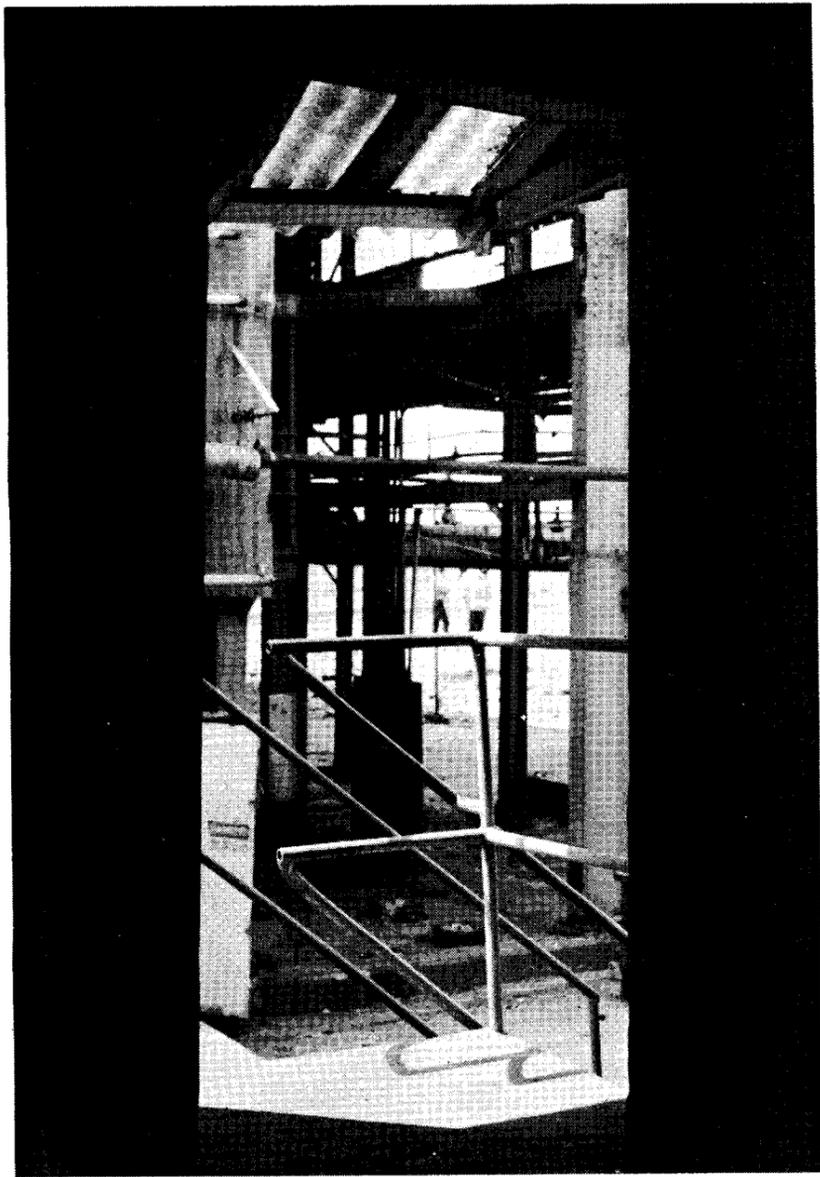
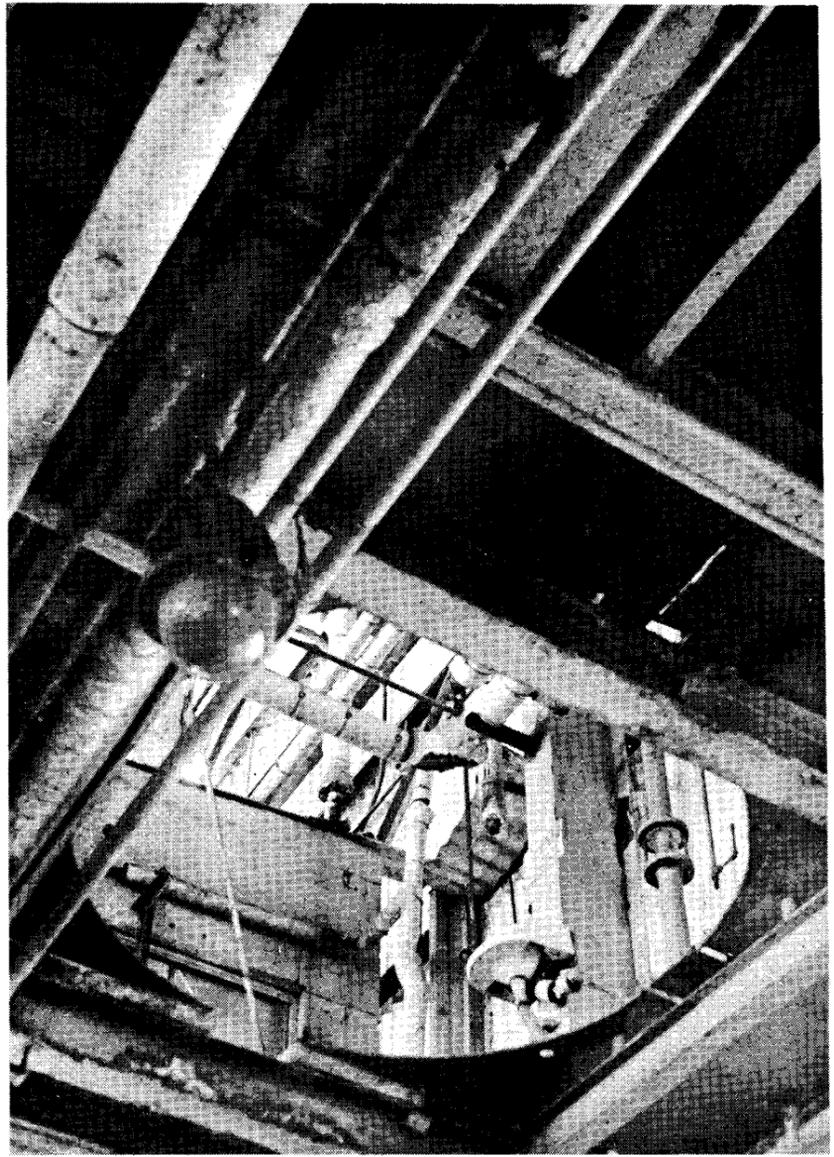


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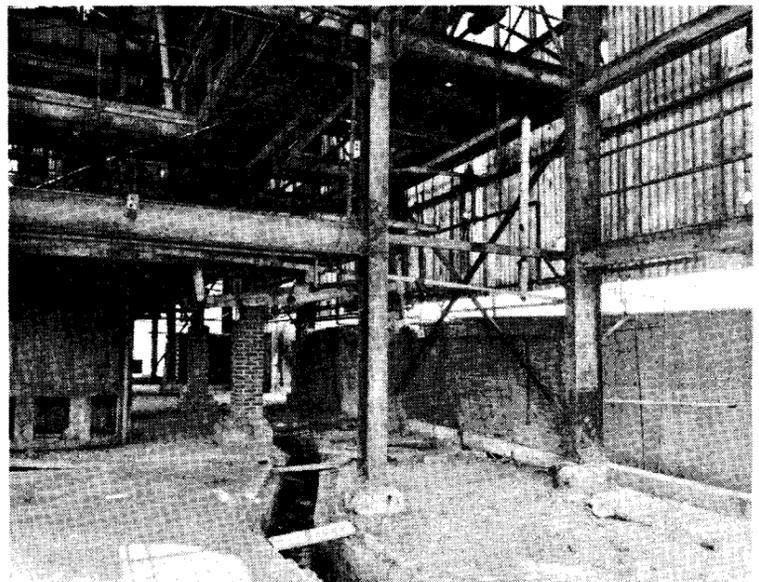
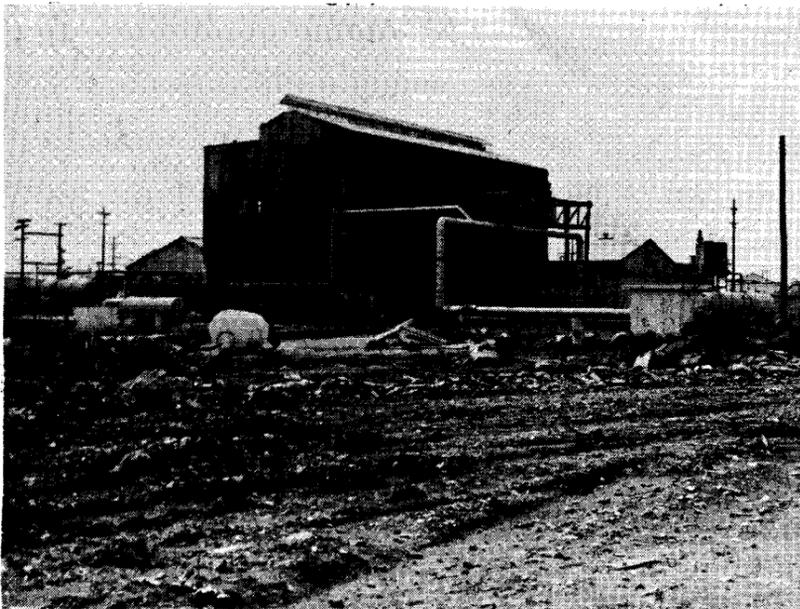
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## DDT Doesn't Live Here Anymore

Bill Kellar of Communications-Electronics Division, RASA, made these black and white studies of the closed-out DDT plant south of Mills Road. See story on facing page.



# Once There Were Four - Only One Remains

Redstone's DDT plant is dead and looks it.

Noise, motion and most of the characteristic smell, once the plant's vital signs, have gone, together with the men who formerly produced more than 20 percent of the national output of DDT there.

It's quiet now in the curious, many-storied maze of corroded, rusting pipes and structural steel work, quiet enough to hear sparrows chirp as they flit about inside and the thud of wreckers' hammers from the adjoining site.

Salvage operations there are rapidly removing the last traces of a plant that once produced chlorine. Soon the land will be completely cleared and re-seeded.

There are several bags of grass seed in the DDT plant's not too distant future. Its days are numbered.

Where once four civilian industrial chemical operations functioned—three within sight of one another south of Mills Road—only one remains active today on the arsenal.

All four date their beginnings from World War II and a time when a part of present day Redstone was Huntsville Arsenal operated by the Army Chemical Corps. Three of the plants were built by the Army to make chemical munitions, poison gas in layman's terms. The fourth, was and is, the single source in the United States of carbonyl iron, iron in the form of powder composed of microscopic spherical pellets used in high frequency cores for radios, telephones and television sets.

Private operators leased the plants after World War II during an era when the government actively sought civilian tenants for wartime facilities. Title to the plants remained with the Army. Such leases are administered by the Corps of Engineers, in the case of the Redstone plants, by the Mobile District.

Tucked away beneath large oaks in a secluded area south of Mills Road, the plant leased by GAF Corporation is the only one of the four still operating and the only one built specifically for the purpose it is being used for today.

Not many of the thousands of persons who work on Redstone Arsenal have ever ventured off the beaten track to the end of the road that winds south from Mills to the GAF plant. Fewer still have been inside. There's nothing classified about the place, but the company protects, for propriety reasons, the process which produces the microscopic iron spheres. The Army built the plant on the arsenal because it considered the powdered iron a strategic war material. It still does.

Unlike many industrial pro-

cesses which use chemicals in manufacturing, production of carbonyl iron has not resulted in release of pollutants into the environment. No trace of pollutants has ever been detected by Army personnel who regularly monitor the operation. The plant has never been a cause of concern to the people who work nearby.

That much could not be said of the chlorine plants. The element has many commercial applications and one drawback. Breathe too much of it and you're dead. That property of their product kept the men in the plants careful and their neighbors elsewhere on the Arsenal wary if not worried.

There were two chlorine plants on the arsenal, one midway between the DDT plant and the carbonyl iron plant south of Mills Road, the other just east of Rideout Road. The latter was distinguished by a massive red structural steel barricade that partially encircled it.

Originally set in an isolated location, the plant off Rideout Road accumulated many neighbors in the mid-50's as Army missile operations expanded with the establishment of the Army Ballistic Missile Agency. Office buildings and laboratories sprouted in close proximity. They contained a great many people who worked with one eye on their potentially lethal neighbor until the barricade was erected in the late 50's.

Set up as an emergency system to trap a chlorine spill and confine it from drifting on the wind into nearby buildings, it effectively shielded the plant from view. In time, most of its neighbors forgot the plant was there and the day came when an



**SITE CLEARING**—A chlorine plant formerly occupied this site, now almost ready for re-seeding. Large structure in the background once produced DDT. It too is scheduled to come down.

open bottle of Chlorox in ABMA Headquarters would not have set off a mass scramble for the door.

The barricade is gone now with the plant that stood behind it. Chlorine manufacture ended at the arsenal in an era of increasing public awareness of an endangered environment, but not because of the dangers of pollution.

Discovery of a more economical method of producing chlorine doomed the Redstone plants. The antiquated process installed here during World War II and continued in the leased operation used massive cells—Hooker cells—in which common salt, broke down into its elements—Chlorine and Caustic—when an electrical current passed through a brine solution. The two plants consumed about 5,000 tons of salt each month, yielded about 110 tons of chlorine and 120 tons of caustic each day.

Stauffer Chemical Company terminated its lease on the plants two years ago. The Army subsequently sold them, Young-Posen, a Cleveland-based salvage firm, is completing disposal and clean-up operations now on both sites.

The new manufacturing process, one using mercury and never employed at Redstone, however has been cited by environmentalists as a cause of mercury pollution in waterways near such plants elsewhere in the nation.

Many things contributed to the controversial end of the fourth of the leased industrial operations, but pollution was at the heart of it.

Converted to DDT production in 1947, the plant at Redstone produced some 25,000,000 pounds annually of the grainy white powder, 99.9 percent pure. Liquid effluent—waste water—from the plant ran off the site in a ditch which emptied into Huntsville Spring Branch, a creek that comes out of the City of Huntsville, flows east to west across the center of the Arsenal and joins Indian Creek which then flows south into the Tennessee River. The effluent contained DDT. Part of the ditch and both creeks are within the Arsenal portion of the Wheeler National Wildlife Refuge.

Initially almost universally hailed as a miracle of chemistry, DDT found ready use throughout the world controlling disease and cutting agricultural losses. By the mid-60's, however, evidence had accumulated which raised concern among scientists about DDT's long term effect on the environment. It's persistent staff and scientists were finding increasing concentrations of the insecticide everywhere, in water, in plants, in fish, in birds and animals.

One result of the mounting

Months of dispute ensued involving various elements of the Army, the Environmental Protection Agency and Olin.

The fate of the DDT plant hung in the balance just as national concern on DDT's effects on the environment moved out of the laboratory and on to the front page.

In November 1969, the administration announced plans to phase out all but essential uses of DDT within the United States over the next two years in a far-reaching attempt to clean up the environment. Less than three months later President Nixon issued an executive order giving all federal agencies three years to stop polluting the air and water.

Environmentalists quickly made an issue of a DDT plant operating in the middle of a federal installation and discharging effluent into a federal wildlife refuge. In early June, the Environmental Defense Fund, the National Audubon Society and the National Wildlife Federation filed suit in federal court charging Olin with polluting the Wheeler Refuge with DDT effluent. Three days later, on June 8, 1970, Olin announced that it would cease DDT production at the Redstone plant on June 30 and did.

Which is almost, but not quite, the end of the story. Olin subsequently moved its operations away from the Arsenal, removing equipment it had installed at the Redstone plant. ChemAir Corporation which had operated as a subcontractor to Olin grinding chemicals, also removed its equipment. A few minor clean-up operations are continuing on the site.

MICOM has since declared the plant excess to government needs and ready for disposal. The last chapter will be written once the Mobile District and Olin close out the lease and the plant is advertised for sale.

Today it stands empty waiting for the salvage hammers, bulldozers and the inevitable bags of grass seed.

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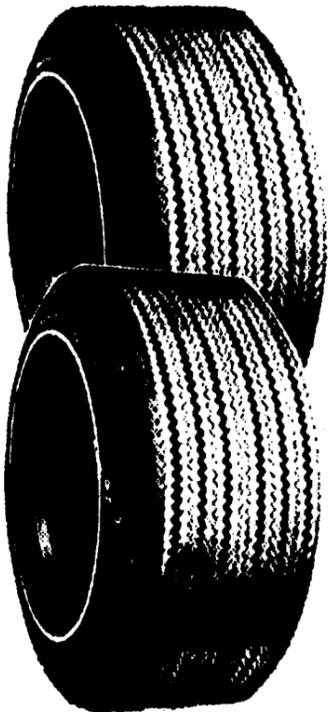
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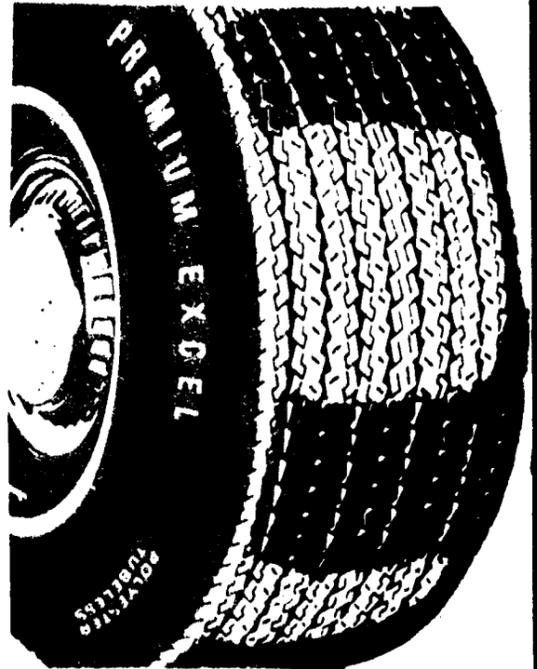
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# Eleven Primaries In June

Primary elections will be held in 11 states during June, most of them early in the month.

The states are: California, Maine, Mississippi, Montana, New Jersey, New Mexico, South Carolina, South Dakota, Texas, Virginia and New York.

All of them except New York permit absentee voting in primaries but it is already too late to make application for absentee ballots in Mississippi, Montana, South Dakota and South Carolina.

In Iowa a primary originally scheduled for June has been changed to Aug.

### See Voting Officer

Voting officers at Redstone can provide additional information and assistance.

They are: Lieutenant Donald F. Wiseman, Headquarters and Headquarters, 876-3225; Lieutenant Charles W. Thomas, Special Troops, 876-2826; Lieutenant Robert W. Evans, Medical Detachment, 876-8748; Lieutenant Michael C. Guilbault, 95th Calibration (Service) Company, 876-7926; and Lieutenant Jimmy R. Lakey, 291st Military Police Company, 876-2489.

In states permitting eligible persons to vote absentee, voters may use the Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) to apply for absentee registration, if required, and absentee ballots. FPCA's are available from the above voting officers.

### Six June 6

The California, Mississippi, Montana, New Jersey, New Mexico and South Dakota primaries will be June 6, so military personnel, their dependents and other eligible voters concerned have to make early preparation for voting absentee ballots.

In California, eligible voters should mail completed FPCA's for absentee ballots and simultaneous registration, if required, to the county clerk, county of residence. The voted ballot must reach the designated official no later than 1 p.m. June 6.

Eligible voters in Maine, where the primary is June 19, must be registered before absentee ballots are sent. To register, a completed FPCA must be mailed to the board of registration or registrar of voters, municipality of residence. To apply for a ballot, the voter should complete an FPCA and mail it to the Secretary of State, Augusta 04330, or to his city or town clerk at any time before the election. Voted ballots must reach election officials before 3 p.m., June 19.

### Mississippi

Registered voters in Mississippi may apply for ballots by completing the FPCA, including the affidavit, and mail it to the city or county registrar, place of residence. Instructions say that the voter should execute the affidavit on the absentee ballot envelope after marking the ballot, and mail it to reach election officials prior to June 6.

To vote in the general election, Nov. 7, Mississippi voters must be registered by July 7, 1972.

To apply for a ballot in Montana, where registration closed April 27, registered voters should complete the FPCA and mail it to the county, city, or town clerk, place of residence. The voted ballot must reach the clerk in time to be delivered to election officials before the polls close on June 6.

### New Jersey

Military service voters are not required to register in New Jersey, and may apply for an absentee ballot by completing an FPCA and mailing it to the county clerk, county of residence, or the completed FPCA may be mailed to the Secretary of State, Trenton, 08608, for a ballot. Voted ballots must

reach election officials before the polls close on June 6.

In New Mexico, a "Federal voter" which includes members of the Armed Forces, may register temporarily for the primary and apply for an absentee ballot by completing an FPCA, having it witnessed, and mail it to the county clerk, county courthouse, county of residence. Eligible "Federal voters" are registered in New Mexico when their FPCA's are accepted. Service personnel on duty in the U. S. must mail completed FPCA's to reach the county clerk no later than May 26, and indicate political party preference or affiliation on the FPCA.

An FPCA constitutes registration of an absentee voter only for the election in New Mexico for which the ballot is requested. Therefore a voter must register separately for the November general election by sending another FPCA. Voted ballots must reach the county clerk in time to be delivered to the polling place by 7 p.m. June 6.

### South Carolina

The South Carolina primary date is June 13, but the voter had to be registered by May 13. Registration is by writing to the Board of Registration, county of residence, to request a blank "absentee registration card".

To apply for a ballot in South Carolina after registering, the voter should complete an FPCA and mail it to the Board of Registration, County of residence, indicating the party in whose primary election he wishes to vote. The voted ballot has to reach designated officials before the polls close on June 13.

The South Carolina voter who has applied for registration should complete an FPCA and mail it to the Board of Registration, county of residence, indicating the party in whose primary election he wishes to vote, to apply for an absentee ballot. The voted ballot must reach the designated officials before the polls close June 13.

Eligible voters in South Dakota may apply for registration at the same time they apply for absentee ballots. An FPCA had to be completed, witnessed by a commissioned officer, and mailed to the county or city auditor of the town or township, county of residence, in time to reach election officials no later than May 22. Voted ballots are due with officials before the polls close June 6.

### Texas

Texas will hold a run-off primary for both Republican and Democratic slates on June 3. If an FPCA was used to vote in the primary May 6, Texas officials should send the run-off ballot automatically. If a person is registered but did not vote in the primary, an FPCA should be mailed to the county clerk, county of residence, to obtain a run-off ballot. Party preference should be shown on the FPCA. Voted ballots must reach the county clerk no later than 1 p.m. on election day, to be counted.

June 13 is Virginia primary date. An eligible voter who is not registered may use the FPCA as a simultaneous request for registration and for an absentee ballot. He should note under item 6 that registration is requested. The FPCA should be witnessed by a commissioned officer, and should be mailed to the general registrar of the county, city, Virginia. Voted ballots have to be in before the polls close June 13.

For the Aug. 1 election in Iowa, eligible voters should mail completed FPCA's for absentee ballots to the county auditor, or city or town clerk, place of residence. Iowa will mail ballots to applicants as early as June 22. To assure registration, the voter should execute the affidavit on the ballot

return envelope, and voted ballots must reach election officials before Aug. 1.

## Blood Is Life — Pass It On

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Garrison won re-election as National Vice President, Fifth Region, rolling up 35,060 votes to defeat two opponents. John Brooks of Warner-Robins, Ga., polled 5,370. Everett Brouillette of Huntsville got 420.

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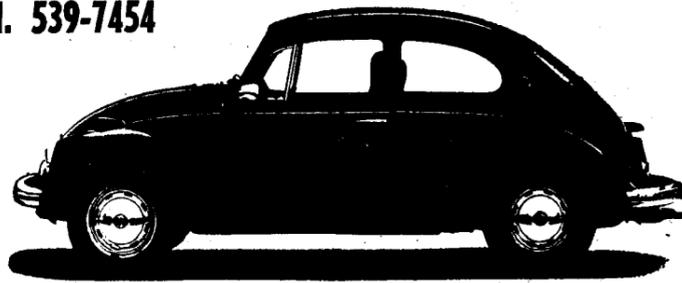
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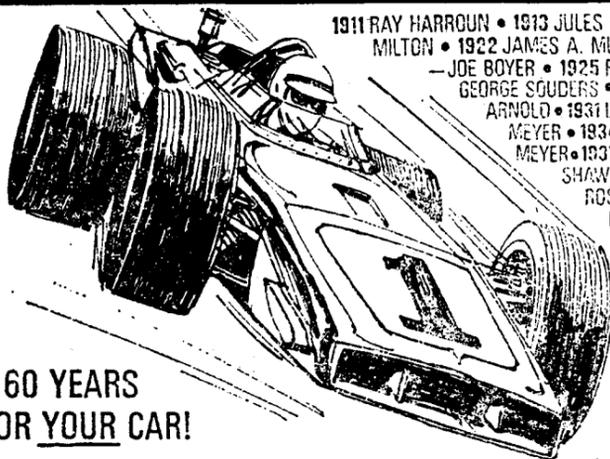
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Most of those at the annual event were present employees of the Directorate, however, several who have retired in recent years returned for another fish fry. One of them, Paul Barker, proved once again that he was the catfish eating champion of northern Alabama.

The meal was prepared by a quintet of the most proficient chefs in the area, Bill Skidmore, Jack Torzillo, Chris Leachman, Lou Archangeli and Mel Tack. Pat Patterson served as master scrounger of equipment and stores.

The Tennessee River facility provides an excellent setting for organizational and family outings. It is open throughout the summer months for use by Department of Army civilian employees in the local area.



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## And The Band Plays On

Band concerts in the park or on the village green are a part of the nostalgic past since musical entertainment via radios and TVS, took over the audiences that once gathered to listen and socialize on summer evenings.

But there's no way to substitute electronically produced band concert music for the real, live thing in the Army - who wants to march to a tune blared from a PA system? Imagine a distinguished visitor being greeted by martial tunes coming from some electronic device.

Army bands live on, but bandsmen, especially at Redstone, are becoming fewer and fewer. The blow fell when the early out for soldiers started at the beginning of this year. The 55th Army band at Redstone lost 15 men by this route, and replacements are slow in arriving.

Chief Warrant Officer Burnon W. Lydic, Jr., bandmaster of the 55th, says that the Army band offers a better career for a musician than is fully realized, especially for an instrumentalist. No only does a bandsman get more pay than many public school music teachers, he also spends most of his time playing in a band rather than being involved in teaching details.

### No Cinch

Getting into an Army band is no cinch. A person has to pass a standard test and audition to qualify.

"About one out of 10 people who have played in junior high and high school bands can make it - it almost takes a contest winner. And from college bands, it is usually some one from the first chairs who

qualifies," Lydic said.

"These days when a lot of liberal arts graduates can't find the jobs they hoped for, the Army can offer a good career if they're accomplished instrumentalists. They can go to Specialist Five in three years - the salary is about \$7200 a year for that rank.

"All a person has to do to get into a band assignment is pass the audition. He can even specify which band he wants to play in. After he enlists, receives basic training and then band training at the Army's school in Little Creek, Va., he will be assigned to the band of his choice for a year. Usually after that, he is transferred to Europe for the rest of his enlistment if he is a three-year man.

### A Good Deal

"That's a good deal for a bandsman, too. If he decides to get out of the Army and stay in Europe for six months, the Army will still pay his way home. Some fellows like to study in Europe, and this gives them six months to do it."

In spite of all of this, Army bands throughout the U.S. are down to 50 percent of strength.

Lydic has suggested that women be considered as members of Army bands. "There's often a shortage of people who play clarinets, flutes and horns. These are the instruments most frequently chosen by women in school and college bands," he said.

Although the 55th still has the right balance of instrumentalists to fulfill its obligations, the low number of bandsmen inspired Lydic to suggest asking the ROTC band from Alabama A&M to supplement their group at a recent retreat parade.

In the past Army bands have often assisted ROTC units at various schools, but this is the first time in my experience that we've gotten some reciprocal help. The A&M band quits during the summer, so we can't call on them again until possibly in the Fall," he said. In the meantime, the 55th band will play on, and hope for some early replacements for members they've lost.

## NCO Wives Give Band Big Boost

The NCO Wives Club donated \$1,000 to the Butler Band Fund to help finance, the band's trip to Austria this summer.

The ceremony took place at a teenage tea dance for military teenagers at the NCO Open Mess, last week.

The ballroom was decorated with a gazebo built with pastel flowers and the Butler high dance band played at the open house event. The climax came when Mrs. Vickie O'Shea, wives club president, presented the check to Alan Weinberger and Jeff Heath, members of the band.

## IEEE Meets

A presentation by George von Pragenau a pioneer in Austrian television, currently associated with the George C. Marshall Space Flight Center, highlights tonight's meeting of the Control Systems Society of the Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers. Von Pragenau will discuss "Reactive Stability, A Building Block to System Stabilization" at 7pm in room 127 of the Science and Engineering Building at UAH.

A business meeting and election of officers for 1972-1973 follows the presentation.

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These missile launches represent annual service practice for the troops and provide important data for improving the missile system and firing techniques.

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# Safeguard Engineer Wins High Army Recognition

The Army's second highest civilian award has been awarded to William F. Graves of the Safeguard System Command for contributions to the development of the Safeguard interceptor missiles.

The Meritorious Civilian Service Award was presented to Graves by Major General Robert C. Marshall, Commanding General.

Graves has served as Chief of the Missiles and Warhead Branch in the Research, Development, Test and Evaluation Directorate since 1963. During this period both the Sprint and Spartan missiles were developed and successfully tested against ballistic missile targets.

The citation which accompanied the Department of the Army award said Graves' "efforts have contributed significantly to the outstanding performance and high reliability demonstrated by the Sprint and Spartan missiles."

A graduate of Auburn University with a degree in chemical engineering, he came to Huntsville in 1953 as a test engineer with the Army Rocket and Guided Missile Agency.

Graves was especially commended for his efforts in managing the development of the highly advanced Sprint missile which resulted in a number of innovations in missile technology. Among these were a "pop-up" launch technique and a design which permits the 27-foot-long missile to reach intercept altitude within seconds after launch.

Graves was also commended for saving the Army several millions of dollars by devising ways to reduce the number of missile test flights needed in the development

program. Mrs. Graves is Chief of the Examination Branch for the Missile Command's Finance and Accounting Division.

## Eleven Complete Logistics Class

The first class of operators for the financial portion of the Army Materiel Command Logistics Program, Hardcore Automated System, graduated here last week.

Honor graduate among the 11 people trained in this class is Ray Whitt, Finance and Accounting.

The instructors are from the same division, James O'Hara, Charles Johnson, Sam Powe and Jo Ann Blue. The instructors were trained at the Logistics Management Center at Ft. Lee in March. They organized the first classes in April at Redstone.

The first group includes Art Bynum, Production and Procurement; Herman Nelson, Materiel Management; Horace Weeks and Joan Elkin, Comptroller; and Ted Sellinger, Burt Spurlock, Frances Strickland, Ralph Trine, Hazel Cunningham and Harry Marsinkus, Finance and Accounting.

The program will integrate automatic data processing files for finance, procurement, and management throughout AMC. Prototype testing is underway at the Aviation Command in St. Louis now.

It will be operational in phases in FY 73 at the Missile Command.



**John E. Price**

Funeral services were held yesterday at the Spry Funeral Chapel for John E. Price, 56, an employee of the HAWK Project Office in the System Support Division. Burial followed in the Maple Hill Cemetery.

Mr. Price, employed by the Army for the past 18 years, was the apparent victim of a heart attack.

An equipment specialist Mr. Price worked from 1960-1970 in the Maintenance Engineering Division of the Supply and Maintenance Directorate. Prior to coming to MICOM he was the Assistant Project Officer for the H23 Helicopter at the Army Aviation System Command.

He is survived by his wife,

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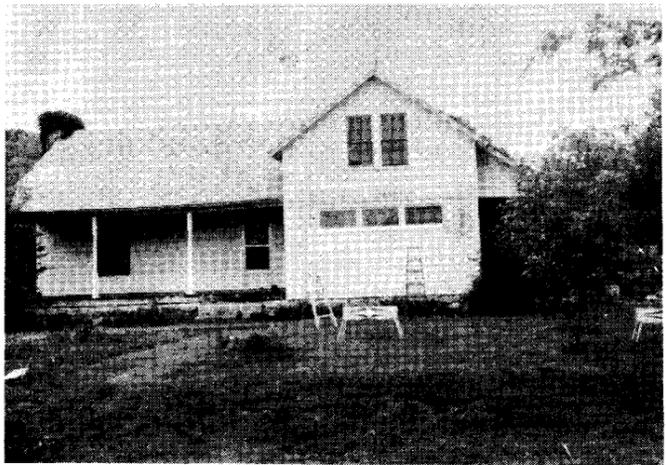
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Unusual? Try this one: Her former supervisor, Harold Mitchell, began work about the same time 1955. He has accumulated 1,748 hours of sick leave which puts Mrs. Boles exactly one hour ahead in their contest.

Hired in as a GS-1 comptometer operator in cost accounting, Mrs. Boles caught a virus two weeks after beginning work at the arsenal in 1955. Without any sick leave to her credit, she had to take leave without pay.

Her determination to build sick leave started right then.

In those days, the Army here was switching from manual ma-

chine operations to electric machine operations. Mitchell, a supervisory computer specialist, was hired to set up the first machine system. Mrs. Boles went to work in his section soon thereafter.

The first operation shifted to electronic machines was the payroll, Mitchell and Mrs. Boles found themselves teaching more and administering less until new operators were trained.

Then missile activities expanded rapidly here and the pressure of pay day deadlines stayed on as the electronic machine operations were expanded to cover data in other areas, supply, pro-

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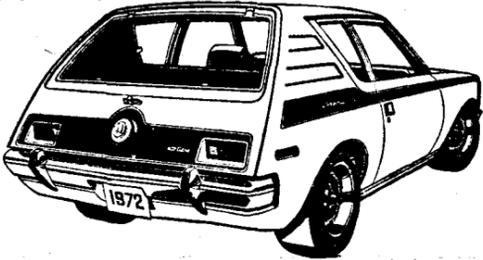
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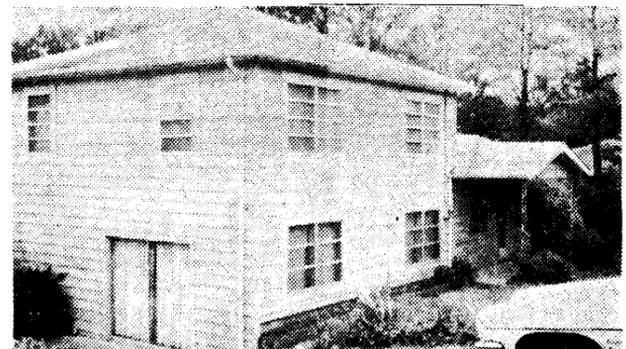
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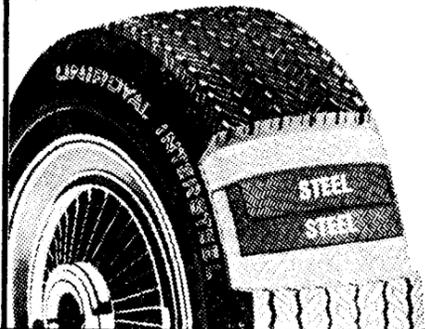
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