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"... hell, I'm not disgusted — I'm a citizen of the United States of America, and I'm no second class citizen, either, and no man here is, unless he thinks like one, reasons like one, and performs like one. This is my country and I believe in her Flag, and I'll defend her and I'll fight for her and I'll serve her and I'll contribute to her welfare whenever and however I can."

Daniel "Chappie"
James, Jr.
Major General,
USAF

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"... A Man In His Own Right

The nation is observing Black History Week and that is the focus of this edition of the Rocket. There are related stories on inside pages, but for the theme of this issue we asked Dr. Richard David Morrison, President of Alabama A&M University and the grandson of a slave, for his personal assessment of the Black American... Where he has been... Where he is now... Where he hopes to go. Excerpts from Dr. Morrison's comments follow:



And Respected For What He Is..."

"The black man was brought to this country to help work in the cotton fields of the South. This was a source of cheap labor... Maybe it wasn't so cheap after all. There's always a price to pay..."

"Some of the black people also worked as domestic servants. It developed that some of those black people had talent. Many became skilled artisans... very good blacksmiths and carpenters for example..."

"When the Civil War ended, all at once a large segment of the population was suddenly set free without any training other than what they had been able to pick up by observation. They had not been permitted to learn to read and write, but in spite of that, some did. There were sympathetic people who had taught them those skills secretly..."

"But they were set free to make it on their own and this surely was a frustrating experience to some. Others had enough experience and knowledge to go ahead and set up shop for themselves and make a living. Many had to hire themselves out for what they could get for their labor. Sadly, many were exploited..."

"Black people came out of that kind of

background. Those who had the native intelligence were the ones who came to the forefront and with the aid of a few black leaders... step by step they raised themselves by their own bootstraps..."

"They progressed... despite setbacks they struggled and managed to gain important places and to help one another. By the twenties there were a few black doctors and other professional people... This kept going until we got to the place where we really saw that education was one of the most important things. Every black person had in mind 'I want my kid to go to school so he'll have a better opportunity than I had' and that same attitude prevails today. It works pretty well for some people. Really, in terms of percentage, you probably have more black kids trying to go to college than any other race..."

"Today with the passage of the Civil Rights Act and with the change in attitude in various parts of the country, it seems now that we have the opportunity to really step out and be first class citizens, to participate in all the activities that would really encourage a person to seek intelligence and, as I put it, give his consent to be governed in an intelligent way and work for the good of society."

"When this really happens in a way that is acceptable to everybody, then we will be able to move on into the future with greater expectation of making the contribution to society we can make. When I say 'we' I mean all black people... We have plenty of people who are capable of making great contributions to our society."

Citing achievements of several black men such as Dr. Charles Drew, who developed the process of changing blood into blood plasma, Dr. Morrison continued:

"As we have more and more of these kinds of people, then we're going to move into a bright future. But we're going to have to work for it just as anybody else has to work to make the kind of accomplishments that are outstanding..."

"You know there are just a few people, a relative few, who have the capability of making these unique contributions in any country. Those people are very precious because they think up the ideas which keep all the rest of us working and able to make a good living or raise the standard of living..."

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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 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.)

This column will not accept questions from individuals who refuse to give their name and return telephone number.

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Job Openings

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WASHINGTON

Asst. Dept. for Sup., Maint. & Trans., GS-340-16, Annt. No. AW-386-73, closing date, Feb. 26; location: Pentagon, Washington, D. C. SF 171's should be forwarded to Office of Personnel Manager, Recruitment and Placement Branch, Office, Secretary of the Army, ATTN: Mrs. Gallagher, Rm. 3D737, Pentagon, Washington, D. C. 20310.

VIRGINIA

Supv. Fire Prevention Eng., GS-804-13, closing date, Feb. 23; location: Naval Facilities Engineering Command, Norfolk, Va. SF 171's should be mailed to Civilian Personnel Division, Navy Public Works Center, Norfolk, Va. 23511 (Code 142).

FLORIDA

The U. S. Civil Service Commission, Orlando, Fla., Area Office has 350 openings listed on an announcement dated January 1, 1973. All have a further-notice closing date.

Included are positions in the areas of Engineering and Scientific, general, medical, office assistant and technical aid, social and educational, trades and crafts; Agricultural and forestry, ammunition, explosives and toxic material work, armament work, electronic equipment installation and maintenance, electrical installation and maintenance, fixed industrial equipment and maintenance; Food preparation and serving, general equipment maintenance, general maintenance and operations, instrument maintenance, instrumentation, machine tool work, manual labor, manufacture and repair shot operation, masonry, plastering and roofing; Metal processing, metal work, mobile industrial equipment maintenance, mobile industrial equipment operation, motion picture and sound record work, packing and processing; Painting and paperhanging, plastic work, printing and reproduction, warehousing, wire communications equipment installation and maintenance, and woodworking. Grades vary from GS-2 to GS-12.

MID WEST

In an announcement date Jan. 24, no closing date given, the Omaha, Neb., Army Engineer District has 26 vacancies listed in Nebraska, South Dakota, Illinois, Michigan, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Kansas and Colorado as follows:
 Supv. Realty Spec., GS-1170-12; Realty Spec., GS-1170-11; Appraiser, GS-1171-11; Realty Spec., GS-1170-9; Computer Programmer, GS-334-5 or 7; Management Analyst, GS-343-5; Realty Asst., GS-1170-5; Civil Engineer, GS-810-9;
 Mech. Eng., GS-830-9; Civil Eng., GS-810-11; Mech. Eng., GS-830-11; Structural Eng., GS-810-11; Admn. Asst., GS-2101-6; Sup. Clk., GS-2005-5; Wtr/Ed (Printed Media), GS-1082-5; Accts. Maint. Clk., GS-312-4; Motor Vehicle Inventory Clk., GS-301-4; Statistical Clk. (Typing), GS-301-3; Clerk-Typist, GS-322-2.
 SF 171's should be submitted to District Engineer, U. S. Army Engineer District, Omaha, ATTN: Personnel Office, 6014 U. S. Post Office and Courthouse, Omaha, Neb. 68102.



Study Released on Military Retirees in Federal Government

A recently released study of retired uniformed services personnel in the Federal civilian service shows that 77,655 military retirees are serving in the Executive Branch of Government.

The study was prepared by the U.S. Civil Service Commission in response to a request from Rep. David N. Henderson (D-N.C.), Chairman, Subcommittee on Manpower and Civil Service, House Committee on Post Office and Civil Service.

Of the military retirees, 72,087 were identified as receiving military retired pay and presumably most of the others are receiving veterans' pensions. This was about 3.9 percent of the total workforce.

Below is a summary of highlights included in the study:

- Eighty-one percent of the retirees were in the Department of Defense (by comparison the Department accounted for 52 percent of the covered workforce of 2 million). In percentages, retirees made up 5.7 percent of DOD's workforce and 1.4 percent of other agencies.

- Enlisted retirees outnumbered former officers by more than 3 to 1; the percentages were 76 percent former enlisted personnel and 24 percent former officers (including warrant officers).

- Eighty percent of the retirees were regulars and of these 94 percent were former enlisted personnel. Of the 20 percent who were non-regulars, 94 percent were former officers. In all, a little less than 5 percent of all retirees were retired regular officers (about 3,500).

- Sixty-four percent of the retired officers had retired at the major and lieutenant colonel levels. In all, there were 70 who had retired as general or flag rank officers. Of this group 36 were regulars in full-time, permanent posi-

tions. Of retired enlisted personnel, 87 percent had retired at staff sergeant level, or above.

- About 57 percent of the retirees were in General Schedule positions (by comparison, about 67 percent of all the employees in these agencies were in GS positions); another 39 percent of the retirees were in wage system jobs (the comparable figure is 23 percent for employees, generally, in these agencies).

- Of retirees in GS positions, 12 percent were in GS-13 and above (by comparison, about 13 percent of all GS employees in these agencies were in the same grades). While retirees made up 3 percent of the total GS employee population, they made up 2 percent of the supergrade population. Almost half the retirees in GS positions were in GS-9 through 12.

- From a dollar standpoint, about half of all retirees had pay rates of less than \$10,000 a year (for employees, generally, in these agencies this figure was about 51 percent). At the other end, about 9 percent of the retirees had pay rates of over \$18,000 a year (compared with a figure of almost 13 percent for all employees of these agencies).

This report, Committee Print #22, is on sale at the U.S. Government Printing Office, Division of Public Documents, Washington, D.C. 20402.

Fourth ARCOM

CW2 Alvin R. Bissette, equipment specialist attached to the Air Defense Command's Field Office at Safeguard, has received the Army Commendation Medal (Third Oak Leaf Cluster).

Bissette received the award for meritorious service in support of military operations in the Republic of Vietnam where he was a Maintenance Officer at the U.S. Army installation in Pleiku.

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Gen. Eifler Retires Here



Former MICOM Commander Will Reside In Huntsville

Lieutenant General Charles W. Eifler will end more than 35 years of military service at a retirement ceremony here the afternoon of February 28. A reception honoring General and Mrs. Eifler will follow the retirement ceremony.

For the past 30 months he has commanded the U. S. Army Theater Support Command, Europe, a military and civilian force of more than 150,000 men supporting Army forces in Europe.

General and Mrs. Eifler, the former Julia Knight of Buena Vista, Virginia, left Germany last week. They plan to reside in Huntsville.

German-French System Tested

Missile Command engineers have started evaluating an air defense missile system jointly developed by Germany and France.

The weapon system — called Roland II — mounts ground to air missiles, radar and fire control equipment on a single tracked vehicle which also carries a three man crew. It arrived last week from France in an Air Force C5A cargo aircraft which landed at the Huntsville — Madison County Jetplex.

Some 20 representatives of the German and French companies and government project offices which developed the system are also at Redstone to demonstrate Roland II. Testing here will require about three weeks and includes aircraft tracking exercises. No missiles will be fired during the Redstone portion of the tests. The system will be moved to Ft. Bliss, Texas, for firing tests in early March.

The evaluation of Roland II by the Missile Command will complete a two year program which has involved similar tests and evaluations of two other foreign-developed air defense systems, the French Crotale and the British Rapier. Crotale was tested here in 1971, Rapier during 1972.

Purpose of the evaluation of the three foreign systems is to determine how well they meet requirements of the U. S. Army for a low altitude, forward area air defense system.

General Michael S. Davison, Commander-in-Chief, U. S. Army Europe, presented Eifler the Distinguished Service Medal at Heidelberg January 31, citing him for his service as Commander of the Theater Army Support Command and also as Deputy Commander-in-Chief, U. S. Army Europe, a post Eifler held from 1969 to 1970.

Third Time

The presentation marked the third time the general has received the Army's highest decoration for meritorious service.

Widely known in the service as a missile and logistics expert, Eifler spent much of his career, including three tours of duty at Redstone, in the Army missile program. Recognition for his achievements in combat logistics came while he commanded Army supply and support operations in Vietnam from 1966 through mid-1967 during the major buildup of American forces in Southeast Asia and many of the large scale ground combat actions of the war.

The general is the only officer to command both major Army missile activities at Redstone. He first came to the arsenal as a colonel in 1959 to command the Army Ordnance Guided Missile School. He later served as Deputy Commander of the U. S. Army Missile Command, directing land combat weapon systems from 1963 until going to Vietnam in late 1965. When he returned in July 1967, he became Commander of the Missile Command, a post he held for two years.

Well known in Alabama, the general was active in community affairs, in particular, the Tennessee Valley Council of the Boy Scouts. He is a member of the Huntsville Rotary Club. Governor Albert Brewer presented him with the state's Distinguished Service Medal in 1969 recognizing his service to Alabama and its citizens.

Wealth of Ideas

Prior to his departure from Germany, Eifler was honored by the German Army at an evening torchlight ceremony at Taukkunen Barracks attended by more than 1,000 Germans and Americans as well as representatives of the French Army. Major General Jurg Von Kalkreuth, Commander of the German Territorial Southern Command, praised Eifler for his "wealth of ideas benefitting our common mission for peace."

The general was also cited by the City of Worms, site of TASCOM Headquarters, at an afternoon reception hosted by the Lord Mayor, Dr. Guenther Kuhfuss.

A native of Altoona, Pa., the 58-year-old Eifler is a graduate of Pennsylvania State University and holds a masters degree in Electrical Engineering from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Penn State last year named him a "Distinguished Alumnus."

The Eiflers have three children. Charles W. III is a senior at the University of Tennessee. A daughter, Mary Elizabeth (Mrs. Robert Stiles) lives in New Market and is a teacher in the Huntsville school system. A second daughter, Julia Ann (Mrs. William J. Roberts) is living in Germany with her husband, an Army officer.

NEW CHIEF—Lieutenant Colonel William R. Males is the new Morale and Welfare Division Chief. Prior to his assignment to Redstone, Males was Director, Installations and Services, SAFLOG. He replaces Lieutenant Colonel M. H. Sweat who retired last month.

Freedom Plaza

Members of the Sertoma Club in Huntsville will hold ceremonies on George Washington's birthday, February 19, at 2 p.m., to dedicate a new section of Big Springs Park in honor of America.

The new area will be called Freedom Plaza and will be the first of its kind in the country. The Plaza will feature a 30 ton granite stone monument with a large bronze plaque of the Declaration of Independence. An eternal flame on top of the stone will be lit during the dedication ceremony.

Gifts have been received from countries around the world including a windmill from Holland, a lighthouse from Norway and cherry trees from Japan.

Gov. George Wallace will make a long-distance call which will be amplified at the ceremony. President Nixon is expected to send a telegram expressing his support of the event.

The public is cordially invited to attend.



"My feet is tired, but my soul is rested. . ."



UNION LEADERS HUDDLE—Dennis Garrison (right) meets with Raymond Swaim president of Local 1858, American Federation of Government Employees, and Kenneth Blaylock, AFGE's 5th District vice-president, during last Saturday's annual Civil Service Week banquet at the Carriage Inn. The national executive vice president of the federal employees' union was the principal speaker at the banquet commemorating enactment of the Civil Service Act of 1883.

Craig Rites

Funeral services for Lawrence D. Craig, 63, were held last Saturday in Laughlin-Service Funeral Home Chapel with burial following in Memory Gardens.

Survivors include his wife and two sons of Huntsville. Service last April he had been a contract administrator with the Missile Command's Procurement and Production Directorate since 1958.

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As Long As There Is A Difference

Black men first came to America as conquerors.

They crossed Panama to the Pacific with Balboa in 1513; marched in Mexico with Cortes, explored in Florida with Narvaez in 1528.

One hundred years later they returned as slaves.

In 1619, a Dutch ship with a cargo of African captives bound for the West Indies, landed 20 black slaves at Jamestown, Virginia.

The trade in black human cargo grew rapidly in the New World. Once the morality of the business was set aside, and it was, it offered immense profits. Abundant resources in an opening continent and a shortage of labor created the market.



MARY McLEOD BETHUNE

The first slaves were relatively lucky. After a period of years of service, most either bought themselves free, or were set free to buy plots of land and servants of their own.

Massachusetts became the first colony to recognize slavery as legal in 1641. Virginia followed, then others.

The fears of black uprisings first appeared in the 17th century, as colonists discovered slaves at Northern Neck, Virginia, were plotting to kill their masters.

By the turn of that century, severe slave codes became law. An official Virginia Slave Code declared slaves "real estate," permitting the separation of families.

Shortly thereafter, the Germantown Friends of Pennsylvania issued the first formal protest against slavery. Later that colony passed a law against importing slaves.

By the mid-18th century, blacks saw the oncoming clash between the British and Americans, as an opportunity. Freedom was the main issue of the conflict. Blacks felt sure the ideals of the revolution included them too. They found they were wrong.

When revolt did break out, free and enslaved blacks enlisted freely in the Continental Army. Many believed if they joined they would have a good chance to be released from slavery at the end of the war, but many white landowners pressured Washington to stop the enlistment of slaves. He did. A year later, when the Revolutionary Army was desperate for men, the policy was loosened. In 1779, Congress even recommended slave enlistment, the slave to receive freedom and \$50; his former master: \$1000.

The First Regiment of Rhode Island, largely composed of black soldiers, distinguished itself by repelling joint British and Hessian forces in Rhode Island. Other



CRISPUS ATTUCKS

blacks fought at Lexington, Concord and Bunker Hill. Most black enlistees, though, served largely in combat support roles. Whites were afraid to arm large numbers of blacks, for fear of a general uprising.

The status of blacks after the war was reflected by the Articles of Confederation, of 1781. Congress could draw men from each state for the Continental Army. The number of men provided was in proportion to the number of white inhabitants—the blacks did

not count.

When the Constitution was drafted in



RICHARD ALLEN

Philadelphia, concessions were granted to southern states on the slavery issue to induce them to sign. They delayed banning of the foreign slave trade, incorporated fugitive slave laws, and regarded slaves as only three-fifths of the population in a state's representation ratio.

Although slavery soon proved unsatisfactory for the industrial operations of the North, it was more than suitable for the large-scale agricultural ventures of the South.

The invention of the cotton gin brought new prosperity to the South, and contributed greatly to the expansion of slavery from the early to the mid-19th century. By 1810, slavery was rooted in Southern society.

Black slaves were brought up believing they were inferior, a tactic to offset the possibility of a slave revolt.

Most black resistance was nonviolent, using such methods as work slowdowns. Occasionally, violent resistance did occur.

The incidents resulted in harsh new slaves laws, even tighter control.

When the Civil War began, President Lincoln, who was opposed to slavery, still felt that the issue should be left up to the states. However, in preserving the Union, he also considered emancipation through gradual compensation to the slave holders out of federal funds.

As the war continued beyond the few months, spirits sagged in the north, a revitalizing cause was needed—slavery provided it.

Lincoln proposed the Emancipation Proclamation in 1862, signed it early the next year. The move forced a stand against slavery from sentiment to one of official policy.

Many blacks responded to the first call to arms. They were turned down.

The Emancipation proclamation authorized enlistment of blacks in the Union Army. Nearly 10 percent of all the Union forces were black before the end of the war. However, as in the Revolutionary War, most blacks were assigned combat support roles.

After the war, blacks thought they had finally achieved the equality they had waited for so long. They found it was more legal, than real. The 13th, 14th, and 15th amendments to the Constitution, abolished slavery, guaranteed all native born Americans equality before the law, and guaranteed all citizens the right to vote.

But attitudes had not changed. As southern states were readmitted to the Union, new laws, the "Black Codes," gave the blacks an inferior legal status, a "place" enforced by the Klu Klux Klan and other vigilante groups.

Whites in the North were not ready to construct or finance full integration of blacks in white society. The South did not want to. Former slaves were not ready to make the move. The majority were illiterate. Instant education was not possible.



DR. DANIEL HALE WILLIAMS

Interest in the plight of the black faded through the era of industrial expansion. The blacks, having no white support, again saw their dreams shattered amid social reality.

Immediately after the war, only one institution came to the aid of the blacks. The Freedmen's Bureau helped in emergency rations and in education for the ex-slaves.

Segregation appeared during this period, and became the rule.

However, one man did begin a trend for the blacks, to raise them to the educational level of white society. Booker T. Washington began the vital step toward equality, in founding an institute of higher learning for blacks, Tuskegee Institute.

The turn of the century saw a trend toward organization among the blacks. The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People and the National Urban League were



PHILLIS WHEATLEY

founded to begin work against all discrimination, setting in motion a new black sense of self-identification and the genesis of black pride.

When America entered World War I, the response from black volunteers was put into effect as an anonymous equalizer.

As in previous wars, blacks were assigned support roles, and leadership was restricted, but this time pressure was put on the War Department by blacks to open a training camp for black officers. By the end of the war, 4000 black officers were on active duty.

After the war, change and involvement were not popular concepts. The KKK had a rejuvenation, and the "Red Scare" erupted. Persons or organizations suspected of leftist ideas, and that was liberally translated to include any notion of change, were the victims of the ugliest forms of political repression.

Yet, black attitudes were changing radically and militancy was growing. Marcus Garvey, who founded the Universal Negro Improvement Association, preached separatism from white America.

As the Depression settled over the nation, economic difficulties experienced by the blacks since World War I were aggravated by, not brought on by the depression. In 1932, came President Roosevelt's "New Deal." For the first time, blacks felt that someone cared—someone with the power to do something—the federal government.



W. C. HANDY

Civil rights tactics changed too. Mass demonstrations designed to affect decision making in Washington began. Blacks became more involved in politics through elections and appointments. The black vote shifted from the Republican to the Democratic party.

When World War II came, it was soon evident that blacks would no longer accept discrimination at home while supporting a war abroad. A. Phillip Randolph called for a mass march on Washington to protest discrimination in defense industry jobs. To avert the march, the President issued an executive order requiring integration in defense industry employment. He established a Fair Employment Practices Committee to



DR. CHARLES DREW

insure the order's enforcement.

In the services, segregation was official policy, but black men fought for America in every theater. The traditional support role of the blacks was gradually fading.

At the end of the war, the U. S. found itself the champion of freedom for the world's peoples in the face of Communism. International developments forced the racial question into the open, and the American people were compelled to face the question in the view of all the nations of the world.

President Truman appointed a commission on race relations, ordered all businesses dealing with the U. S. Government to follow non-discriminatory hiring policies, and ordered equality of opportunity in the armed services and integration within 5 years.

The historic Brown vs. the Board of Education case in 1954, resulted in determination by the Supreme Court that segregation of public schools deprived minority group children of equal educational opportunities. The court ordered desegregation, but it took years to accomplish.

A Woolworth store in Greensboro, North Carolina, in 1960 was the scene of another shift in civil rights protest tactics. Four black students from nearby A&T College sat down at an all-white section of the lunch counter and refused to move. The era of the student sit-ins began.

Black students held sit-ins at public facilities throughout the South. These incidents marked the first time on a large scale that blacks had challenged the system of segregation directly. They challenged the white power structure without asking for help. They also began challenging the existing black leadership in the civil rights movement as too conservative.

A wave of protest activity throughout the South against segregation of public facilities culminated in the Birmingham demonstrations in the Spring of 1963.

That same year a march on Washington by black and white civil rights proponents demonstrated the increasing unity of the movement.

As direct action techniques came increasingly to the fore, there were historic results. The Civil Rights Act of 1964 barred discrimination in any public facility and has been followed by other landmark legislation committing America to a new course, one that never promised to be easy.

Rising expectations among black people have added to their increasing awareness of economic and social inequalities. That in turn has led to frustration, sometimes to despair. Change has been bought at terrible cost, violent confrontation, riot, death.

Yet Black Americans continue their search for equality, a search that will go on so long as they know there is a difference between what could be and how things really are.



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"We Want Our Share Of The American Pie"

American history that has often been left untold in the past.

"For example, the positive aspects of the black family, the strong role of the black grandmother. I wonder how many white people understand the role the black grandmother plays," she said.

Of equal importance, however, she feels is the message Black history gives to all Americans to foster better understanding and communication among the races.

"If all people knew what blacks have done, the good things for the nation, it would lay the ground work for later development. It might change a few attitudes. We've fought in wars for this land, this country, that we live in but we've done it as foreigners because of the way we've been treated. For example, Crispus Attucks, a runaway slave, was the first man to die in the American Revolution, killed for a country where 'the law of the land' more often oppressed rather than protected him.

"If the impact of all this really means anything, and if people consider blacks as human beings with human needs and aspiration, black history will help set the records straight. . . . In other words let's produce equality in our history and this will enhance equality in opportunity.

"The search for equality must begin at the national level, it needs to start at the highest office in the land and come on down to the state and local levels of government. We need national leadership. We need blacks in places where they can be heard. Too many ideas and concepts conceived about blacks which are used as rationale for direction and programming are planned by white people unfamiliar with our needs. We need dynamic black leadership, more representation in social and educational programs so that we can enhance our own developments. We need more say, more authority."

Black history tells a story of a people moving toward a common objective they express most often in a few simple words like equality, justice and peace.

The President of the Huntsville Chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) sums it up this way: "We want our share of the American pie, nothing more, nothing less."

Katie W. Byrd, an Army civilian employee long active in the NAACP, was installed in the office two weeks ago. She feels black history has a definite part to play. First, by building pride in blacks by pointing out positive achievements by Black people, a facet of

Mrs. Byrd feels advancement for blacks should pose no real threat to white people.

"I think it would be a threat only to those white people who think of blacks in a paternalistic fashion in terms of being subordinate or unequal as individuals — that blacks have no right to equal opportunity. A good analysis would be to say that those are the people who are basically insecure themselves. And also there are those who have a bit of racism about them. They perceive blacks as subordinate, unequal, people who only want a 'hand out'.

"These people think we might let a few have a little piece of the pie, but they still think blacks have no right to be on an equal basis with whites. These are the people who would be upset about the blacks' push for equality and justice.

"It's those who have their own hangups and their own problems who are afraid of black people — they're the ones who are going to be shaken and disturbed by the fact that we're asking for what we should already have — or that we have made many attempts to have and still don't have. Our labor and efforts far outweigh our gains and rewards.

"If a person feels 'I have nothing to lose by not preventing blacks from having equal opportunity, I have nothing to hide and I'm not going to throw any stumbling blocks' then there's nothing to fear.

"Equality in promotion is a threat only to those who were ill-prepared and got promoted anyway on the basis of something like seniority or by knowing the right person, and who are themselves incompetent. These people feel a fear for their jobs. They are insecure and they get up tight. They sit around for years and don't do anything to improve themselves, yet they resent it when a young, well-qualified black is selected for promotion. . . .

"I worked side by side and for a lot of

people who were inferior to me in terms of education, in terms of personal skills, in terms of initiative, leadership ability, creativity, and just plain common sense.

"It's kind of a humiliating thing at times. I feel I've always been a competent and spirited hard worker, a driver, and if I had not been that way I would probably still be in the clerical category where I started. I don't think anyone would have looked at me and recognized my potential had it not been for my own initiative and drive and persistence.

"Still I don't feel I've reached the level of my incompetence. I feel I have a heck of a lot to offer that's not being utilized at the present time, and I feel there are a lot of important positions that I could hold, and contributions I could make that would benefit the federal government. A lot of my resources are untapped.

"There are a lot of other blacks in the same boat. We have a wealth of un-tapped black talent stuck in jobs performing menial tasks. I talk with them every day.

"I would like to say too that the NAACP is not a racist organization. It is for people who believe in human justice and equality. We have white members. We aim to improve 'the lot of humanity' through human resources. When the time comes when we have accomplished this, we'll be out of business. This is our goal — to go out of business."

Mrs. Byrd has a bachelors and a masters degree, has completed part of her work toward a doctorate at Penn State. While at Penn State she was the only black female counselor on the university's counseling and psychological staff.

She has recently been named a special assistant to the commandant of the Missile and Munitions Center and School for equal opportunity.

Attitudes Don't Change Overnight

The newly-appointed Race Relations Officer at the Missile and Munitions Center and School talked about his job in a recent interview here.

Lieutenant O. G. McCane talked first about what he is—a monitoring agent to be sure agencies and individuals comply with DoD and DA policy. He also talked about what he is not.

"I'm not the balck man's I.G.," McCane said, leaning forward. "In this office, we're talking about looking out for everybody—not just one small group," he explained.

Though blacks make up the largest minority at MMCS, the kinds of problems they face are not always unique. Similar situations confront other minority groups, including low-ranking soldiers.

Before his race relations assignments, McCane was an instructor in the Management and Special Training Department at MMCS. Before that, he had served a tour in Korea. He's 28 and has been in the Army four years.

Originally from Gary, Ind., McCane is a graduate of Kentucky State University, a math major with a minor in sociology.

As he moved past Gary and Kentucky State to the Army in Korea, Texas and Alabama, McCane said he experienced different environments. Through these he says his awareness of racism progressively increased.

Now, in addition to the functions of his office, McCane gets out evenings to talk—and listen—at the Rap Center.

From the men who go there, McCane picks up ideas of what's on their minds. It's not always easy. Sometimes McCane has to work against a potential handicap—the silver bars on his shoulders.

Some soldiers may look upon McCane as a Tom, and he has to prove he isn't every time he meets someone new.

"If a man looks at me as a sellout, he'll turn off and I won't learn anything," McCane said.

"Each man's perceptions form his beliefs. For instance, if I think you're ripping me off, I'll act accordingly, and in the end it doesn't matter if you really did rip me off or not," he explained.

And as long as any soldier thinks he's being ripped off by the Army or anyone else, the Army has a problem. And that problem is real, whether or not the rip off is.

That relationship between fact, perception and belief is not McCane's own theory—a lot of other people in DA subscribe to it, up to and including the Secretary of the Army.

"DA is putting a lot of emphasis on this," McCane said, "but it's impossible to change attitudes overnight. Attitudes are a product of experience. We're working on changing behavior instead."

High-level directives and interest are designed to change behavior, without stripping each commander of his prerogatives. Commanders have guidelines,



but they must decide what action to take and where to take it in order to correct any problem.

To advise the commander, McCane keeps close tabs on courts-martial, Article 15's, traffic citations and other items to see if any group is getting more than its share.

"Using a race relations officer as a so-called 'black expert' doesn't work," McCane said.

He said the chain of command, right down to the sergeants, must be able to lead and discipline men without sloughing off on an "expert."

"If a white officer hands a black man in his command to me, that's like me being a company commander and looking for a 'white expert' every time I have a white soldier up for discipline," he said.

If McCane investigates a charge of discrimination in Huntsville, he reports his findings to the commander. If the discrimination is there, the commander must decide what to do. One option is placing an establishment off-limits. Once that is done, the off-limits must be enforced for no less than six months.

Some things McCane will be dealing with will be more than outright discrimination.

"When men are at work, they often get along pretty well because they share a common interest on the job. But back at the barracks, the black soldier may go to his room and dig on a Roberta Flack album, while his white friend may go check out Three Dog Night. A few friends come along, and pretty soon one group is talking around Roberta Flack, while the other is shooting the breeze with Three Dog Night in the background. Then one guy looks over and says to himself, 'those dudes have been talking for a long time. Think they're talking about us?' That's one way men split up along color lines after work," McCane said.

He also talked about the men who feel left out in the cold by the club system on and off-post.

"I don't think the lower ranking men are bugged by not being able to go into the NCO Club—a lot of them feel advancement in the Army should have its rewards. But if they don't like the EM Club, they may have no place else to go. In spite of the pay hikes, a private's pay still doesn't go far with cover

charges and outside prices: Some mixed groups have had a hard time finding a place to go on the outside, so you're right back in the barracks again," he said.

But getting into clubs is not the only problem for MMCS soldiers—nor the most important, according to McCane.

"Huntsville is one of the most progressive cities in the South, but it's not L.A.," McCane said.

If someone in town says he is down on the Army, chances are he's really down on a few soldiers he has seen, but just says "Army" to cover it, McCane added.

And McCane said he feels improvement of that attitude can come with more soldiers being active in Huntsville so that townspeople get to know them better.

"We want to change attitudes about soldiers by letting them go into the community," he said.

"And it's about time that we, as young soldiers, get involved in something besides ourselves."

One way to do both jobs at the same time might be through community action, providing volunteers for civic projects that need them. And that can give soldiers a second look at Huntsville. For each man, Huntsville, MMCS and the Army will be just what he thinks they are.

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A Man In His Own Right

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"For a long time we were on a plateau, but now it seems that the trend is upward. The black man is gaining and we hope the time will come when he will be looked upon as the equal of any other man in the world.

"De Tocqueville (French author Alexis De Tocqueville) wrote that because the black man had once been a slave in America, he will never be accepted as a white man's equal. I disagree. A lot of people have been slaves and not all of them were black. They seem to have overcome that difficulty.

"What does the black man in America really want. . . . He wants to be a man in his own right and be respected for what he can do, for what he knows and for what he is able to contribute to society, nothing more. . . . It's not any different from what any man wants.

"The unfortunate thing about it is that the color of a black man seems to place him in

a very different situation. I guess custom has ground into people that a black man is not supposed to be able to do all the things other people can do, in spite of all the demonstrations that he can do it.

"I recall hearing a story about something a Jewish mother said to her son. She said, 'Son, in order to be silver, you must be gold.' I feel the same is true for the black man. In order for him to be silver, he must be gold. He must be that good. . . .

"There will always be aspirations among men. I don't care what we are able to accomplish. There's just a little bit more that we want to accomplish. We'll never be satisfied.

"There will always be the struggle for certain rights and recognition. As we gain more in the civil rights area, I think there will be less friction among the races, but there will always be this upward reach among men."



GUIDE CLUB DESTINIES—Newly elected officers of the Redstone Toastmistress Club get together following their installation at a mid-January meeting. They are, bottom row, left to right; Lorraine Whittaker, second vice-president; Margaret Thames, first vice-president; and Juliette Sperr, president. Standing are: Ruthanne Sanders, treasurer; Ann Cooley, secretary; and Helen Childress, club representative. Parliamentarian Dudley Williams was not available for the picture.

Events Of Week Stress Culture

A series of cultural events are being held at Alabama A&M University and in the community in observance of Black History Week. The general public is invited to attend all activities.

Tonight, will mark the performance of the Dance Company of the National Center of Afro-American Artists from Boston, Mass. The program will begin at 8 p.m. in the university gymnasium.

An all university assembly will be held at 1 p.m., Thursday, in the Bibb Graves Auditorium. Highlighting the program will be a dramatization of "The Death of Bessie Smith" by Edward Albee. Performers will be from the freshman studies history program. Music for the program will be presented by the University Choir, under direction of Nell Bradford.

Events held earlier in the week included a Sunday worship service at the Second Cumberland Presbyterian Church featuring the theme, "Black Men and Women We Should Know."

Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., honored more than forty young black leaders in observing the sorority's sixty-fifth Founder's Day on Sunday. Six of the young people were named to the Involvement Hall of Fame.

A special freshman orientation program was held Tuesday, in the Bibb Graves Auditorium with emphasis on black achievers in the fine arts. Barbara Ann Howard of the Huntsville Ballet Company danced to the poems narrated by students in the freshman history program.

Positive, Aggressive

Commandant Outlines Race Policy At MMCS

Two persons have been named to deal with the problems of race relations and equal opportunity at the Missile and Munitions Center and School, according to Colonel Thomas J. McDonald, Commandant.

Katie W. Byrd was named Equal Opportunity Officer and First Lieutenant O. G. McCane was designated Race Relations Officer.

The programs known as Equal Opportunity (EO), Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) and Race Relations (RR) have sometimes been misunderstood. Last week, McDonald outlined the MMCS approach to racial problems and equal opportunity for all minorities (particularly blacks, but including other ethnic groups and women).

He called the MMCS program "positive and aggressive." All managers and leaders—military and civilian—are expected to actively assist those of all races who have the capacity for future development, he said.

"It is hoped, as we progress, that more of our top and middle-level civil service and military managers will be drawn from among blacks and other minority groups," McDonald said.

Although Equal Opportunity and Equal Employment Opportunity programs support each other, they serve different purposes.

One major difference between the two programs is that EEO concerns civilian employment.

The EO programs and actions, on the other hand, attempt to correct structural deficiencies; eliminate personal and institutional discrimination against minorities; and assure upward mobility of all qualified persons.

Specific Army Race Relations programs and actions are designed to eliminate discrimination while promoting racial harmony and attitudes supporting Army objectives.

Common Needs

Guest pastor at the 11 a.m. service at the First Baptist Church Sunday was Chaplain (Col) Gene M. Little, post chaplain.

Chaplain Little talked about the common needs of the Christian in emphasizing the beginning of National Brotherhood week.

Dr. Alvin H. Hopson is the pastor of First Baptist.

Drive Supports Radio Station

The Huntsville Friends of the Library are conducting their annual membership drive and will continue throughout the month of February, according to Abner C. McNaron, publicity director. McNaron is a civilian employee in the Secretary General's Staff Office at the Missile Command Headquarters.

McNaron says that all funds from this year's drive will go to support the installation of an FM radio station featuring classical music. The station is planned to operate on a 24 hour basis.

Only two other radio stations of this kind are in operation in the United States. The library group hopes to have the station operating by this fall.

A sum of \$2500 has already

been donated by Friends of the Library and an equal amount has been pledged.

Other projects of the group have included purchasing microfilm equipment and several hundred paperback books for the library.

Although membership is open to the public throughout the year, an intensified campaign is conducted every February. For further information call Abner C. McNaron at 881-3306.

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Physical Training, Stamina No Test For Devlin

With the draft call ending announced last week by Secretary of Defense Melvin Laird, observers may find fewer and fewer soldiers with seemingly unrelated former civilian occupations.

But Private First Class Charles L. L. Devlin, a draftee who entered the Army last July, says he's found a way to relate his studies in air defense systems to ballet.

Devlin is a student at the Missile and Munitions Center and School.

"My training's getting along fine, and when I get out I hope to put some of that electronics training to work, building crossover boards for theater lighting," the 20-year-old native of Raleigh, N. C. said.

He's the son of Mrs. Kate Hearn of Raleigh.

He explained that a more sophisticated stage lighting system could let one lighting technician produce more striking effects during a ballet performance.

Devlin has performed in the Nutcracker for eight years, in a half-dozen roles; once he danced two roles in the same production.

He danced in the Huntsville Ballet Company's presentation of the Nutcracker last December, and is now a member of HBC.

Before he entered the Army, Charles Devlin was a freshman at the North Carolina School of Arts at Winston-Salem, with a major in dance.

"That covers not only ballet, but modern, character, jazz and waltz dancing," said Devlin.

In addition to his experience in The Nutcracker, Devlin has done pas de deux and pas de trois in other productions.

"I guess I began to dance just to compete with my sister, Sheila," he said.

Sheila no longer dances, but Charles looked for a chance to stay at it as soon as he arrived in Huntsville. Little more than a month after he arrived, Devlin was rehearsing for The Nutcracker.

Rehearsals for the Huntsville production kept Devlin pretty busy.

"My adagio (a couple dancing) partner and I sometimes rehearsed until 2 a.m.," he admitted.

Depending on what his military duties allow, Devlin takes about three hours of instruction a week in Huntsville, and instructs adagio for about one hour each week.

"I'm teaching couples the technique, balance, lifting and catching that are common to almost any kind of dance," he explained.

There's quite a difference between "kinds," "styles" and "forms" of dancing, according to Devlin, and he explained those differences carefully.

"We would use the world 'kind' to talk about the differences between Russian ballet and, say, The Nutcracker. The Russian would be described as a hard kind, demanding on the dancer, while The Nutcracker would be described as a lyrical, romantic kind," he said.

Devlin explained "style" as the dancer's way of interpreting the movements in the choreography of any ballet.

"Form" relates to the esthetics of the performance, he said.

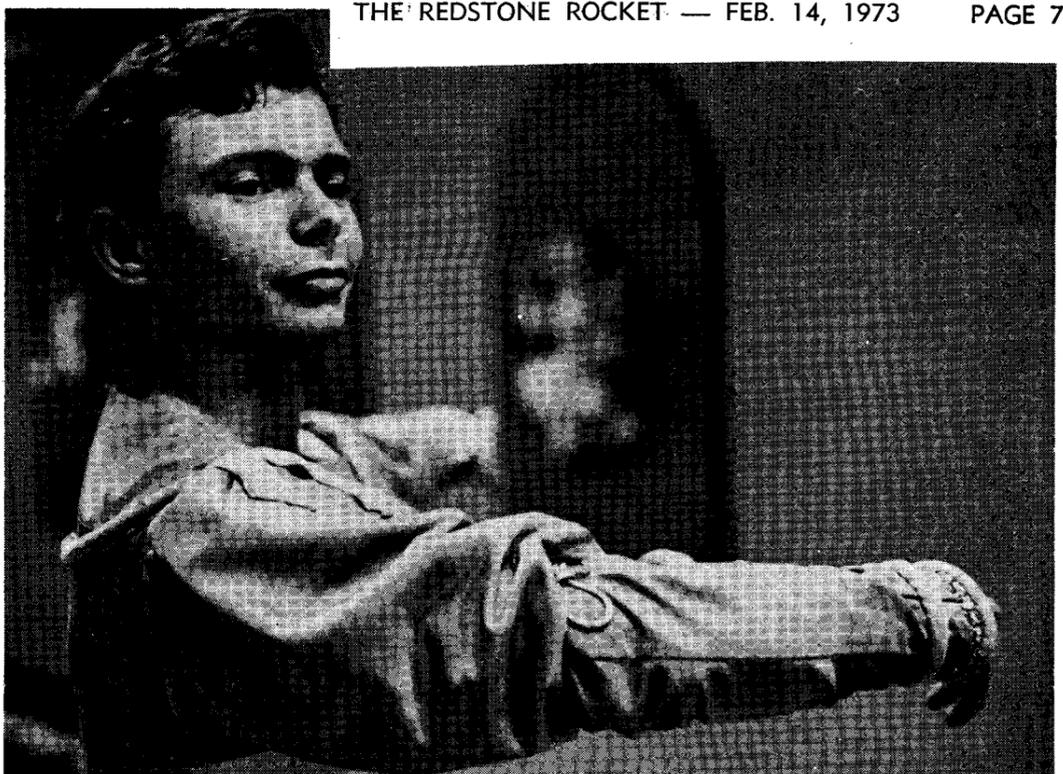
"When an Olympic diver makes a swam dive, his form is judged on a point system, and we're talking about the same considerations of form in the dance," he said.

That comparison between dancer and athlete brought up another relation between art and science, artist and soldier.

"The physical training for a dancer is more demanding and strenuous than what's prescribed for a soldier's physical training," Devlin claimed.

He said ballet builds more stamina. Though the time of physical training for a dancer is relatively short each practice session, the dancer works harder in that short time.

Devlin said he's had no problems with the physical fitness test he took in basic training. He'll take another such test before he leaves MMCS in May.



KEEPING AN ACTIVE FOOT IN HIS DANCING—Private First Class Charles Devlin, a student at the U. S. Army Missile and Munitions Center and School on Redstone Arsenal, stays active in ballet while studying the electronics of Land Combat Support Systems.

Woman's Future In The Military

Rear Admiral Alene Duerk, director of the Navy Nurse Corps, will be the guest speaker for the annual Navy Night Dinner of the

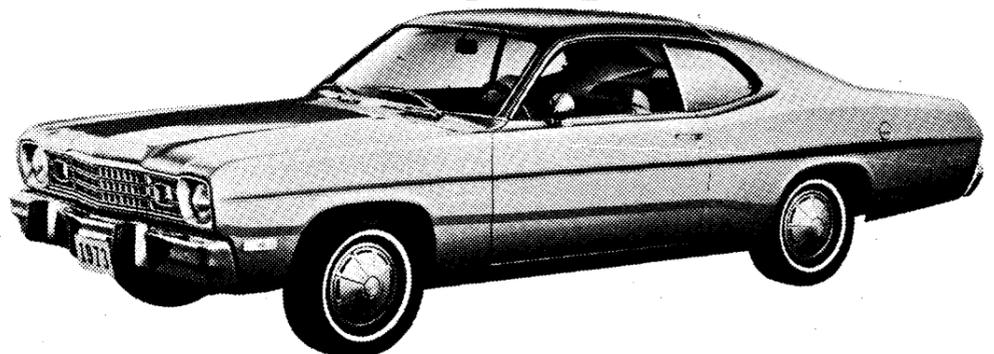
Reserve Officers Assn., set for February 23 at the Officers Open Mess.

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The Arsenal soccer team, made up of Germans, Danes and Americans, badly singed the feathers of the Gamecocks of Jacksonville State last Sunday in a soccer game at Redstone.

Denmark's Ole Pedersen scored five goals in lifting Redstone to a devastating 13-0 win.

"The unusually high score would be like a 91-0 win in American football," said Redstone's coach, Herbert Woelfel.

Pedersen scored Redstone's first goal with 13 minutes gone in the first half enroute to his five-goal performance. The Gamecocks never got off the ground as RSA rumbled to a 7-0 halftime lead.

Juergen Holzdeppe performed beautifully in his last contest at Redstone before reporting back to Germany. Before the game started, Coach Woelfel "ordered" Holzdeppe to score two goals in his final game. Holzdeppe promptly carried out his captain's order.

American Art Fallier was selected outstanding defensive player of the game for Redstone.

British Major Ralph Sewell, an exchange officer at the Missile and Munitions Center and

School and well-acquainted with the sport, was the referee for the game.

Redstone will host the tough Birmingham Internationals here February 25.

CUF Basketball

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Corps, Engineers	17	0
RSA	15	2
P & P	12	5
PIO	12	5
CSD	11	5
DOI	8	7
Interns	7	9
RD & E	5	11
MIA	4	12
Metrology	3	13
SAFLOG No. 2	3	15
SAFLOG No. 1	1	15

Games Last Week

RSA-53 (Phillips, 18)—PIO 32 (Hubbard, 8)
 RD&E-58 (Moor, 19)—SAFLOG 2-29 (Bentley, 10)
 C of E-81 (Seale, 19)—SAFLOG 1-33 (Couch, 15)
 P & P-72 (Hall, 22)—Metrology-26 (Beale, 6)
 CSD-63 (Standford, 23)—PIO-62 (Reppert, 31)
 P & P-76 (Hart, 33, Hall, 22) — Interns-45 (Ampanan, 24)
 DOI def. SAFLOG 2, forfeit
 MIA-45 (Williams, 20)—SAFLOG 1-33 (Couch, 12)

Olympians Host Team Handball Clinic

Willie Bourda and Fletcher Abram, two members of the U.S. European Handball team at last year's Olympic games in Munich, conducted a handball clinic last week at the post gym.

The olympians explained rules, fundamentals, coaching and officiating, then showed two films on the sport. Team handball, a relatively new sport in this country is very popular in Europe and one of the required 18 Olympic sports.

Abram got his first handball training at Ft. McClellan 18 months ago after seeing a film on the game following a Third Army basketball tournament that spring. The 21-year-old Mississippi athlete packs plenty of power in his 185 pound, 6' 3"

frame. After his experience in Munich, he feels he will be with the team in the 1976 Olympiad in Montreal.

Bourda began playing handball in 1969 as a member of the Army team. A native of New Iberia, La., he has played against teams from Iceland, Norway, Sweden, Denmark, Germany and others. The 27-year-old olympian was an outstanding athlete at Jones Henderson High School in New Iberia and has retained his athletic abilities while in the Army.

He has been selected as outstanding player in Third Army competition three times in handball and football. He has also received all-star recognition three times in softball, twice in football and once in baseball.



OLYMPIANS—Willie Bourda (left) and Fletcher Abram demonstrate the right procedure in blocking a shooter in a European Team Handball clinic at the post gym last week.

Post Playoffs Start...

Co A Wins National Crown

Both divisions of the RSA Men's Basketball League went down to the wire last week as the teams wound up regular season play.

Company A fought off a determined 9th ETC squad to gain the National division title, while UTC and the MPs tied for the American division crown and were scheduled to meet in a playoff game last night.

Monday

Trailing the MPs by only one game, the Meddacs lost a chance for the championship when they were upended by MICOM, 71-69. Raymond Smith paced the Missilemen with 20 points. Bob Evans and Bob Moore led the Meddac attack with 20 markers each.

UTC's Al Ashton scored 21 points to lead his club to a 66-53 win over the 1st ETC. Steve Zelnak had 15 for UTC, while Brian McMahon collected 31 for the losers.

In a key make-up contest, UTC whipped the MPs, 68-63, to create a first-place deadlock between the two rivals. Al Ashton was high man again with 27 points for UTC. Bob Shea paced the cops with 23.

Tuesday

Company A nipped 9th ETC, 55-51, to retain a one-game lead over 6th ETC in the National division. Charles Miller led the permanent party with 18. The 9th ETC finished with a 6-6 season record, losing their six games by a total of only 14 points. David Winston and Curtis Dunbar tallied 16 points each for the losers.

All five starters for the 6th ETC hit double figures in a 68-59 victory over School Brigade. Steve Singer led the way with 22 points. John Yacono scored 25 for School Brigade.

In the final National division contest of the regular season, 3rd ETC beat 7th ETC, 69-57. Dan Wyrick led the victors with 20 points, while Parsons and Donelson had 21 and 19 points for the 7th ETC.

Wednesday

After several one-point losses, Lady Luck and a basket by Bob Evans reversed the trend as the Meddacs nipped 1st ETC, 55-53. Evans was high man with 19, while McMahon put on another one-man show with 30 points for the 1st.

The MPs took a 64-43 decision from Safeguard. Shea, Bussard, White and Heintskill were all in

Pick All-Stars For Cage Meet

Redstone's all-stars will compete in the Third Army basketball tournament Feb. 26-March 2 at Ft. Gordon, Ga. The roster of 12 men was selected by Special Services and includes coaches Nick Newman and Ron Lockwood.

Fourteen military installations are expected to be represented at the tournament, and competition will be broken down into two divisions. Redstone will be in Division B for smaller installations.

Bob Shea, Al Black, and Al Ashton will operate at the forward position during the tournament. Black and Ashton were also on the Third Army All-Star football team at Ft. Rucker last November, with Ashton winning most valuable player honors.

Arthur Perrin, Marvin Williams, and Jerry Thomas will be the Redstone guards, and Steve Zelnak and Jerome Campbell will be the centers.

High-scoring Brian McMahon and David Winston will work as swingmen between the forward and guard positions.

double figures for the cops.

Reed Lindfors sank 28 points as UTC romped to a 80-62 triumph over 4th ETC. Ashton added 16 for the winners, while Alire hit 16 for the students.

Thursday

UTC turned back the Meddacs, 67-54, in Thursday night action. Al Ashton led UTC with 22. Bob Evans had 16 for the Meddacs.

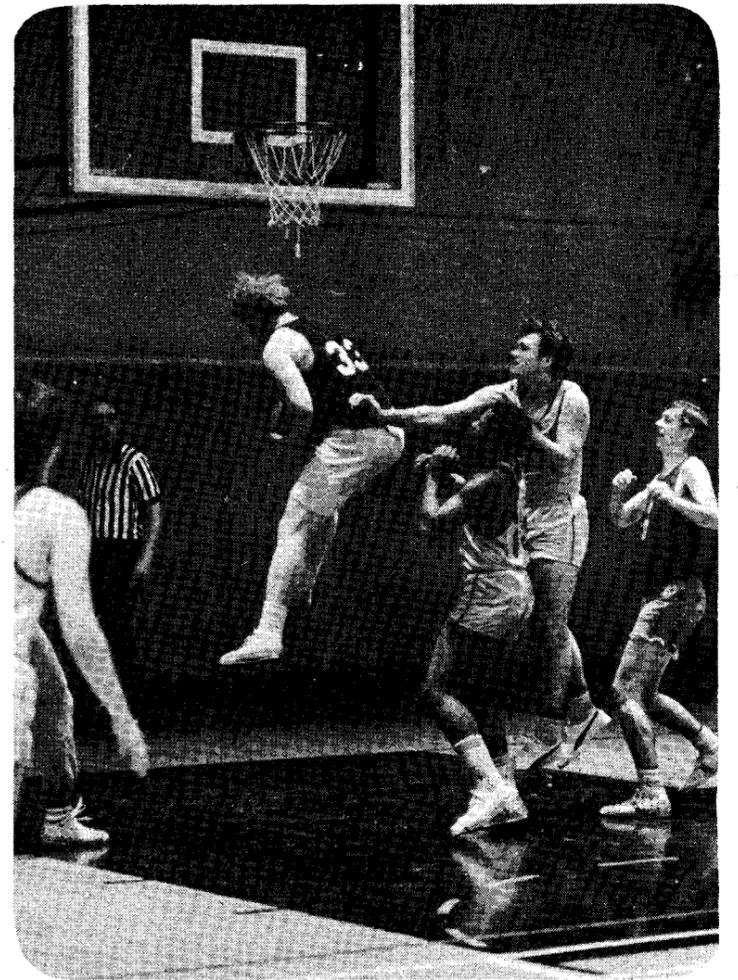
Jim LaBore's 21 points led Safeguard to a 51-42 win over the 4th ETC. Ron Castine added 15 more for the winners.

Friday

The MPs slipped past MICOM, 73-67, on the strength of Bob Shea's 39 points. Raymond Smith tallied 24 for MICOM.

In the evening's second game, UTC buried Safeguard, 108-60. Greene led the UTC barrage with 30 markers, while Lindfors and Ashton threw in 26 and 20 points, respectively, for the UTC machine.

And Bob Moore and Al Black each scored 19 points in the Meddac's 55-38 win over SSG in the final game of the week.



REBOUNDING HIGH—Gerald Scutt (No. 33) grabs a rebound for the 6th ETC in a recent contest against the 9th. The 9th won, 48-47.

Soccer Now On YSP Schedule

For the first time in its history, the Redstone Youth Sports Program has added a relatively new sport — soccer. Although fairly well established in the Northeast and on the West coast, boys' soccer is in its infancy here in the South.

The game is probably the most international of all games, the most recent World Cup games drawing world-wide television audiences of 400 million.

The international flavor extends to Redstone as well. Coach Ralph Sewell, a British subject, will be assisted by members of the German Air Force soccer team, already established here.

Twenty-three boys turned up for the first practice in spite of a 24-hour postponement due to weather conditions. More than half of the boys had played before, either overseas or elsewhere in the United States.

Coach Sewell announced that practices will be held each Friday afternoon starting at five on the RSA soccer field. "The season will extend until mid-April and start up again in August," he said.

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S&M League

S&M League bowlers produced a whole host of individual highlights last Wednesday evening and came out of their weekly slugfest at the Parkway Lanes with a brand new race.

Six single games better than 220 went into the books and five of the bowlers passed 550 in total pinfall as three of the four team matches ended in clean sweeps.

The Misfits took a four-point lead into the evening's festivities and came out of it nursing a single point bulge after dropping all four points to the Rinky Dinks.

The Fugitives took full advantage of the Misfit loss to grab second by scoring a sweep of their own with Bale's Rentals as the victims. Reba's ended another point back after blanking MIA, and the Parkway Lanes five won three of four from Lot-o-Pins.

Larry Kimmons paced a three-way assault that boosted the Fugitives to their win with a 578. Joe Powell sacked 554 more and George Nelson was no better than third best with his 545 count.

Kimmons added the league's bowler of the Week honor with a handicapped total of 689.

Tom Patterson guided his Rinky Dinks mates with a 563 series while Reba's had a pair of near Honor Roll totals in their lineup. Garland Kinslow totaled 595 and Jesse Partridge ended with 593.

AMC League

The Bandits opened a four-point bulge between themselves and the rest of the AMC League last week and in the process let their rivals in on a secret — they intend to stay on top of the heap.

The second place Sprinters tied into the Bandits last week and came away from the Parkway Lanes a notch lower after dropping all four points. The new challenger is the Cobras who moved into second despite dropping three of four to the T-Birds.

The All-Sports took three from the Bombers, Sheraton split with the Fat Cats, the Lancers won three from the Spartans, the What Ifs continued the Hughes demise with another 3-1 decision, and the Tigers earned an even split with the Alley Cats.

Fred Helmer and Don Slagle took over the leading roles in the latest Bandit conquest with Earl Sims shooting 545 in a vain effort to

stave off the shutout for the Sprinters.

Jim Watts was the leading pinsmith with his 556 count that paced the Sheratons to a 3029 team pinfall. The Fat Cats with Arlie Hovatter as the pacesetter took the opener, 1059-1041, and claimed a five-pin margin in the third game. But the Innkeepers shot 1026 in the middle game and turned it into a two-pointer.

Jack Vickers was next behind Watts with 552 for the Sports. Joe Leary accounted for 540 Lancers pins while Joe Gareri turned in a 225 single for the one Spartan win.

RSA Officers

The Lucky Strikes took two games and total pins against the Blackjacks last Wednesday, and stayed alive in the league, tied for first place with the Loggers. The Loggers had given the Metrocals the same treatment. The Users, formerly eighth, are next in line, four points out. They're pressed closely by the Strikeouts.

Paul Brooks led the Lucky Strikes with a 525 series, with Clyde Young and Paul Pencola adding a 507 and 512.

Leo Miller led the RSA Rascals with his 578 series, and Gary Perkins added a 520 in the Rascals' bid for eighth. The Rascal clean sweep last week gives them an even season mark.

Another clean sweep by the Dippers against the Swingers puts that team in tenth place. Ray Weinberg was the Dipper pinfall leader with a 536, with a 536, with Bill Breedlove contributing a crucial 201 game to help overcome a Swinger team bowling with one blind.

Though Jay Vick rolled a respectable 555 for the Hardhats last week, his team dropped six points to the Prunes and remains number 12 in the league.

Thursday Nite

The Alley-Oops remained in first place among Thursday night bowlers, stretching their league lead by two more points over the Bacchanals, who split their match.

The Chefs took six points, though, coming to within one point of the Bacchanals. They're tied with the Loggers, who took a clean sweep from the Wild Balle team. Wild Balle bowled with two blind.

The Logger sweep was the result of a pinfall broadside delivered by Downs (545), Bryan (529) and Coffman (522).

Wells of the Chefs scored a 538 series with a 206 game to keep his team alive in the race for third, 24 points behind the leaders.

Though the Misfits took six points out of a possible eight last week, they remain in the cellar. Dwyer rolled a 518 for the team, and Coddington contributed a 208.

Friday Mixed

Bobbie Otten rolled a 207 game last Friday night to lead the Don't No's into their continuing hold on first place.

The Munchers slipped another point back and now lie seven points out. Top Muncher last week was Naomi Sands, with a 573 series and games of 215 and 213.

The Tee-Totalers, meanwhile, broke their tie for third and hold that position alone. Four more teams are slugging it out for fourth.

Ethel Smith rolled a 533 series to put the Black & White Cats in the race for fourth, along with the UM's, Grab Grass and Hopefuls.

Fred Helmer tallied a 551, and Don Johnson scrounged a 541 series. Other top keggers included Herman Hatfield, 540, 213; Bernie Owens, 532; ohn GoJltz, 531; Harry Evans, 528; and Jean Fortner with a 512 series.

Post Season Playoffs Next

All hope for a regular season title disappeared for the Missile Command's girls basketball team last week in the wake of a 64-54 setback handed out by State Farm.

The loss dropped the Civilian Welfare Fund girls' record to six wins and four losses with two games yet to be played in the Huntsville Women's league schedule. The annual post-season playoff and all-star game follow the regular season.

State Farm leads the five-team race with Mary Sullivan Realty in second, a half game ahead of MICOM. A week ago the Arsenal team doled out a 61-44 lacing to the Realtors.

Trailing by a single goal at the half, the MICOM girls saw their hopes smashed by a blistering third period spree fired up by Cena Taber, the league's premier shotmaker.

Janice McGee turned in a ten-point fourth quarter and ended the evening with 27 for MICOM scoring honors. Anita Whittaker hit for 17 and Gladys Hill accounted for ten.

Hill was the leader in the win over the Realtors with 22. Whittaker collected 20 and McGee tossed in 19.



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Vanderbilt Upsets Redstone In Rugby

Vanderbilt University's rugby team edged the Redstone Rugby club, 16-10 last Saturday as mud and icy conditions on the field hampered a well-played game at the UAH rugby field.

Playing in near-freezing temperatures and a stiff wind, Vanderbilt took an early lead of 6-0 on a try by Scott Ross and successful kick by John Rosenquest. Redstone knotted the score five minutes later on Mike Hardin's try (four points) and Jay Donahue's conversion kick (two points).

Don Denbo and Rosenquest

added six more points to the Vanderbilt total, then Redstone answered with Stuart Burnell's try, which made the halftime score 12-10.

The defensive action dominated most of the second half until Vanderbilt's Ken Kirk scored on a sweep around left end to give Vandy a 16-10 lead.

Redstone made one final attempt with two minutes left in the game as they reached Vanderbilt's one-yard line. But an interference call against RSA got Vanderbilt out if trouble and the local team's hopes for a tie were ended.

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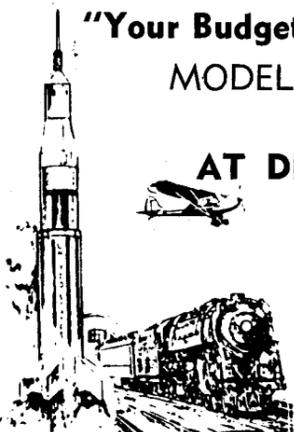
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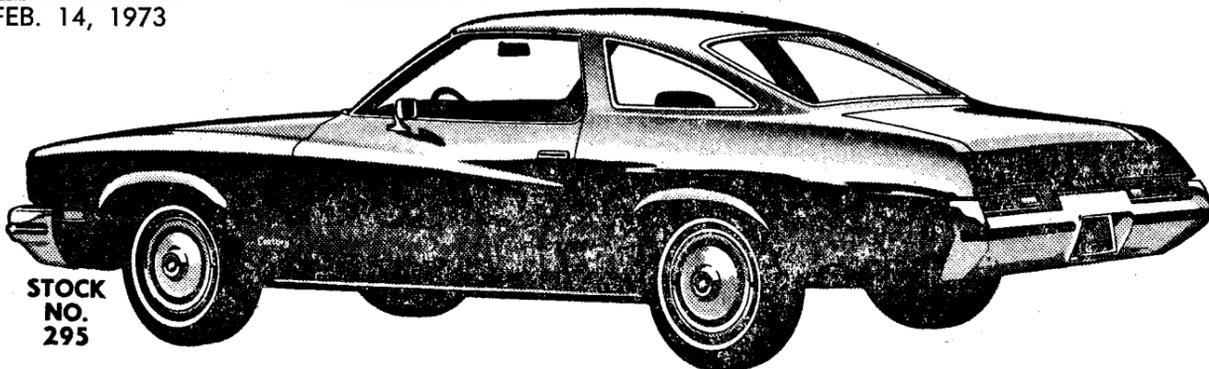
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Persons planning to visit the amusement park in Florida may obtain the memberships through their respective Council representative. The previously issued memberships expired at the end of last year.

Membership in the Magic Kingdom Club enables Department of Army civilians at Redstone to visit Disney World at reduced rates. It involves no cost to the Council or the individual.

Curtis Williams, Council chairman, said that discount

tickets are expected to be available again this year for persons desiring to visit Opryland, USA, in Nashville, and Seven Flags in Atlanta. More information will be available when these parks open later in the spring.

Williams said the Council is also exploring the possibility of an arrangement whereby Arsenal civilians can obtain tickets locally for Atlanta Braves games.



A Veterans Administration campaign to provide more on-the-job training opportunities for returning Vietnam Era veterans provides help for employers in setting up training.

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Warrant Officers Organize Chapter

The newly formed Redstone Arsenal Warrant Officer's Association is looking for prospective members in the local area.

Formed as a local chapter of the Army Warrant Officer's Association, the new organization membership is open to active duty, retired, reserve and National Guard Army Warrant Officers.

Meetings are held at 4:30 p.m., the last Wednesday of each month in the Safeguard room of the Officers Open Mess.

Personnel interested in joining the chapter can call CW2 Robert L.

Provancher, 876-2788; CW2 Gilbert F. Sarabia, 876-4023; or CW2 James C. Himes, 876-6671.

Chapter officers are: CW 4 Fleming G. Butler, president; CW 3 Robert F. Larabee, vice-president; CW 2 Daniel Moffat, Jr., acting secretary; and CW 2 Alvin S. Bryant, treasurer.

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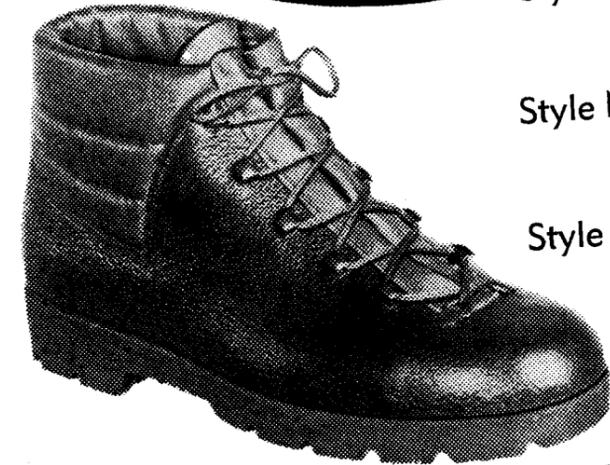


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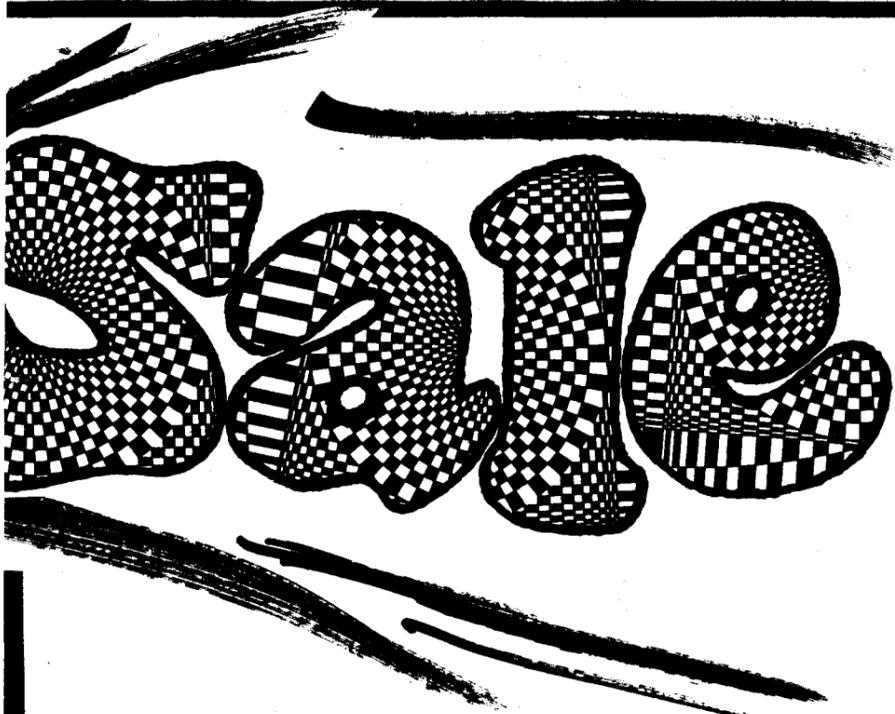
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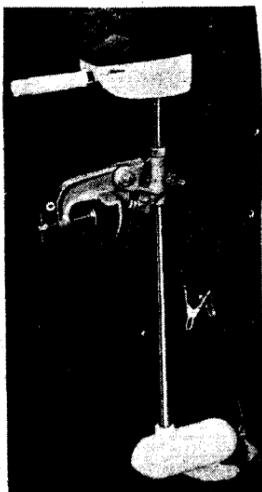
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PINTAIL—Sandra Robertson, a secretary in MIA, inspects Henry's work on a pintail duck.

Post Theatre

This Week's Schedule

WEDNESDAY, February 14
"Air Port" (G)

SUNDAY-MONDAY, February 18-19

THURSDAY-FRIDAY, 15-16 February
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NAMES IN THE NEWS

By SP5 Dave Cowan

NEW DIRECTOR

Lieutenant Colonel Willie A. Mayo has assumed the duties of Director of Logistics. He replaces Colonel Richard D. Kising.



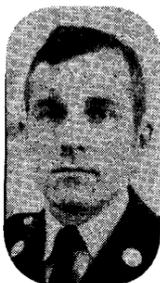
MAYO

Mayo, former director of Maintenance, received his silver oak leaves in November. During his 14 years in the Army, he served as an artillery officer in Europe and as special weapons staff officer, Eighth Army, Korea.

Other tours included staff duty, 4th Infantry Division, and battalion executive officer with the 3rd Ordnance Battalion (Amo), both in Vietnam. This is his second tour at MMCS.

Mayo received his bachelor of science degree in mathematics from North Carolina State College at Raleigh in 1958. He is a member of Sigma Pi Fraternity.

He has previously been awarded the Bronze Star Medal with 2nd OLC, Meritorious Service Medal and the Army Commendation Medal with 1st OLC.



PARSLEY



ORMOND

Bronze Star Medal

Captain Thomas R. Ward, an instructor in Conventional Ammunition has been awarded the Bronze Star Medal, for an earlier assignment in Vietnam.

He graduated from the Bordentown Military Institute in New Jersey and received his Bachelor of Science degree from Norwich University, Northfield, Vt.

Ward has received the Joint Service Commendation Medal and the Army Commendation Medal.

Commendation Medal

Staff Sergeant Terrence W. Ormond, an instructor in the Missile Components Division, was presented the Army Commendation Medal last week.

Hailing from Granton, Wisc., Ormond entered the Army in September 1966, completing basic training at Fort Polk, La. Ormond attended Lakeland College, Plymouth, Wisc.



KAPSCH



SINK

Honor Graduate

Specialist Five Daryl K. Sink pulled all plugs in achieving honors for the NCOES Class II Course.

Sink recorded a 97.21 academic average and was presented the AUSA plaque for his efforts.

Formerly a member of the 57th Ordnance Detachment (EOD), Fort Belvoir, Va., Sink has received the Bronze Star Medal and the Army Commendation Medal.

A native of Benton Harbor, Mich., he is a member of 9th ETC.

Graduation speaker Lieutenant Colonel Gerald W. Pack, challenged the graduates "to implement their training and tasks in order to be modern leaders. In doing this they should understand their men," he said.

Warrant Officer

Staff Sergeant Kenneth W. Ille, stationed at Redstone since July 1968, has received his warrant officer appointment. A member of Headquarters Company, Ille is now chief of the NIKE Maintenance Branch.

Before coming to Redstone, he was assigned to the 89th Ordnance Company, Fort Shafter, Hawaii.

A native of Grass Range, Mont., Ille was a graduate of the NIKE Radar Computer Course at RSA, in 1965. He was honor graduate of the Third U. S. Army NCO Academy, Fort McClellan, Ala., in July 1969. Ille maintained a 95.2 percent academic average during the six-week course.

His latest achievement was Instructor of the Quarter at MMCS in 1971.

Ille's wife, Janice, hailing from Pocatello, Idaho, was honored as RSA's Military Wife of the Year for 1972.



McGEE

ILLE

Honor Graduates

Staff Sergeant Clarence F. Kapsch of the Ammunition Inspector Course and Private Danny R. McGee, Ammunition Storage course, graduated with honors last Wednesday.

Kapsch, a native of Mitchell, S.D., compiled a 93.16 academic average. He will now be assigned to the 144th Ordnance Company in Germany.

Kapsch has received the Bronze Star Medal and the Army Commendation Medal with 1st OLC.

McGee, a native of Durham, N.C., topped his class with a 95.40 percent average. He entered the Army in August 1972, after completing four years of study at North Carolina State University at Raleigh.

ACHIEVEMENT

Staff Sergeant William H. Parsley, a native of Fayetteville, Tenn., was presented the Army Certificate of Achievement ear-

lier this month.

He was cited for meritorious service as a NIKE Launcher Repair foreman in 43rd Air Defense Artillery, at Fort Richardson, Alaska.

Parsley, a graduate of Butler High School in Huntsville, is assigned to Company A, School Brigade, and performs duties as Launcher Section Chief of the NIKE Maintenance Branch.

**MMCS Soldier
Tops His Field**

Department of the Army announced recently that a soldier at the Missile and Munitions Center and School achieved the highest MOS test score in his

field during a test administered last May.

Staff Sergeant Emmet A. Francis, Jr., 28, was top scorer worldwide in his specialty—nuclear weapons maintenance.

Francis is an instructor in the nuclear weapons division of the Management and Special Training Department.

Francis gave partial credit for his success to his current assignment.

"I'm in the common subject branch, and I can keep up on logistics, records and reports as well as the hardware that way," he said.

He's been in the Army 10½ years, all of it as a nuke maintenance specialist. His assignments include four years in Germany.

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"But maintaining healthy teeth is a lifelong concern. Any adult group or organization which might want to include our presentation in one of its meeting programs can get it for the asking," he said.



AUTOGRAPHED COPY—W. E. Whitener, right, has author, F. Howard Ellingsen, autograph a copy of his first book, Random Truths.

First Volume Out, The Next Not Far Behind

Twenty years ago F. Howard Ellingsen decided to write a book. Then for the next 18 years he thought about it, but never got around to doing the actual writing.

Now Ellingsen, Chief of the Program Review and Compliance Branch, Redstone Arsenal Support Agency, has written his book, had it published and has started work on the second volume. Why was he so long getting started? What happened to trigger this sudden activity during the last two years? Ellingsen described it this way:

"Writing a book was something I always wanted to do, but just couldn't seem to start. One evening I watched a well known author being interviewed on TV. The Master-of-Ceremonies asked what the first step was in writing a book and the author said, 'You just pick up your pencil and start writing.' When I heard that, I wondered what I had been waiting for. . . so I picked up my pencil and started writing."

Ellingsen's book, titled, Random Truths, covers a variety of subjects and gives the author's true opinion of these subjects as he

sees them. He covers such topics as, The Work Force, Student Rioting, Past Positions, Authority, The Purpose of the Law, and some 200 others.

An example of one of Ellingsen's random truths is this thought, titled, The Painful Truth: "There is nothing more delightful than being told the truth when it is complimentary and nothing more painful when it is not."

Now that he has published his first book, Ellingsen plans to write more. . . and this time he isn't going to wait 18 years.

GI Bill Takers On The Increase

(ANF)—By the end of the current fiscal year, there'll be two-(M)-million servicemen and veterans taking advantage of G-I Bill Education Benefits.

So far this fiscal year, almost 1.3 million servicemen and vets have signed up for education programs. That's an eight-per-cent increase over the same time last year, and 31 per cent more than two years ago.

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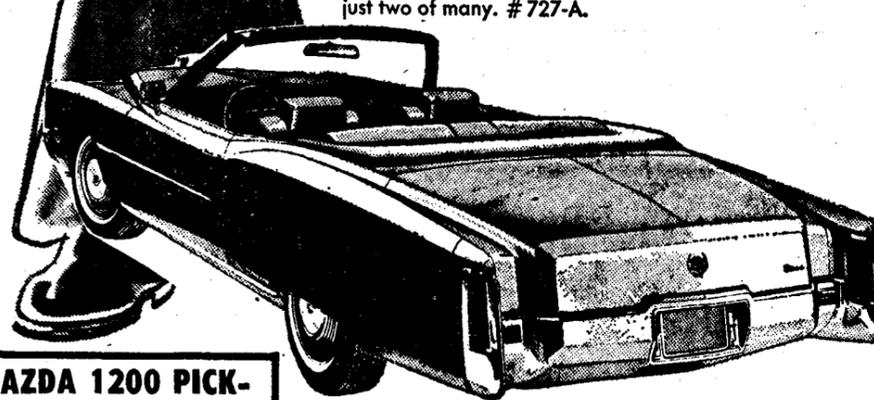
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First SAFLOG Officer Retires After 31 Years

Colonel Robert E. Bundy, Deputy Director of the Logistics Management Directorate of the Safeguard Systems Command, will retire February 28, after 31 years of military service.

Prior to the merger of the Safeguard Systems Command and the Safeguard Logistics Command, Col. Bundy was Chief of Staff of the Logistics Command. He had been Comptroller and Director of Programs for the command since it moved to Huntsville in 1968 with the logistics mission for the deployed Safeguard system.

A native of Pittsburgh, PA, Col. Bundy entered military service in 1942, at Camp Sibert, Ala. Since that time he has completed assignments in Washington, D.C., Hawaii, Vietnam and Korea.

Military awards include the Bronze Star, the Purple Heart and the Army Commendation Medal.

Col. Bundy's educational background includes a Bachelor of Science Degree in Military Science from the University of Maryland, a Master's Degree in Business from Syracuse University and a Master's Degree in International Affairs from George Washington University.

He and his wife, the former Rosemary Hawthorne of Pittsburgh, plan to remain in the Huntsville area. They have four children, Bernard, Patricia, Kathleen and Michael.

Other retirees include Chief Warrant Officer Four Gaetano Caproale, 30 years service; Chief Warrant Officer Three Louis T. Weir Jr., 25 years service; Master

Sergeant Terry K. Ford Sr., 26 years service; First Sergeant Kenneth C. Layman Jr., 22 years service; Platoon Sergeant David Smith and Staff Sergeant Ben H. Furnas with 23 years service. All are with the Missile Command.

Retirees assigned to the Missile and Munitions Center and School are Chief Warrant Officer Two Ruford E. Posey, 20 years service; Chief Warrant Officer Two Robert J. Shewell, 20 years service; Sergeant Major Charles F. Duke, 30 years service; Master Sergeant Percy A. Hoffman, 23 years service; Sergeant First Class James A. Jones, 20 years service; Sergeant First Class Leroy E. Barnes, 20 years service and Staff Sergeant Freddie Durham with 30 years service.

Lieutenant Colonel William E. Ward, presently stationed at Patrick Air Force Base, Florida, will also be among those retiring on Feb. 28.

Good News Club

Chaplain (Col) Gene M. Little is organizing a Good News Club for youngsters in school grades one through six to meet at 3:15 p.m. on Wednesday afternoons at the Post Chapel.

The objectives of the club are to build good relationships among the children as well as to Christ, to get more deeply involved in praying and learning to pray, to help apply Bible stories and parables to life and to teach them to use the Bible.

Slides, films and other training aids will be used in the instruction. In addition there will be sessions in crafts, fellowship, and recreation in good weather.



Elliot Lee Richardson is the new Secretary of Defense. He replaces Melvin R. Laird who recently retired.

Richardson, 52, is a graduate of Harvard College and Law School, graduating cum laude both times.

WECO Names New Liaison Officer

Greg Hillenberg is the new Chief of the Western Electric Company Liaison Office at the Safeguard System Command. He replaced George Leimbach who had served as Chief since June 1971.

Hillenberg was formerly Chief of Program Definitions Engineering Department at the Greensboro facility. The Roanoke, Va. native holds a BS degree in electrical engineering from Virginia Tech.



FULL COVERAGE—A Red Cross Bloodmobile nurse extracts the pint of blood from Wickliffe Hendry entitling Safeguard System Command personnel to coverage under the Blood Donor's Program. The coverage allows all Safeguard personnel to obtain blood from the Red Cross, at no cost, for himself and his immediate family. Hendry has donated about four gallons of blood over a period of several years.

Jaycees Boost Army's Effort

The United States Jaycees, a national organization for men between the ages of 21 and 35 has offered assistance to the Army in furthering its community relations program and cooperating with the Army at the local level in joint community projects.

Locally, the Huntsville Jaycees have been in contact with the Army Missile Command with a similar offer of support and assistance. Although details of specific cooperative programs have not been worked out, the Huntsville Jaycees has extended an invitation to young men, particularly active duty military personnel, to join the organization. Further information can be obtained from Walter Hennessee at 534-2952.

Once known as the Junior Chamber of Commerce, the Jaycees is not a part of the Chamber or any other organization. It is an organization oriented to community service projects, not a social club, lodge or

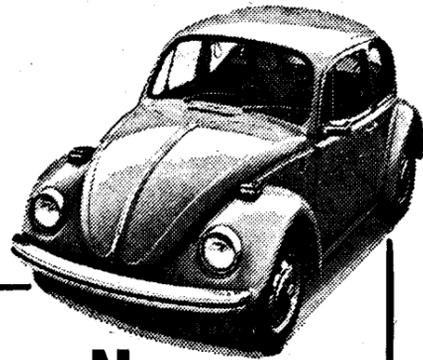
fraternity. While fellowship is encouraged, it is a means to generate effective action in worthy projects, according to Hennessee.

He listed these benefits of Jaycees membership:

1. It gives the young man an opportunity to take part in the civic development of his community.
2. It provides a way for the young man to express his viewpoint.
3. It gives the young man an opportunity to exercise leadership and initiative in community projects.
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Those who have attended a Maintenance Directorate Fish Fry say Bill Skidmore's hush puppies and fried catfish have no equal.

Skidmore, a Publications Writer, has been at Redstone since 1956 and has been cooking for the fish fries since 1963. It all started in 1963 when the director of the supply and maintenance directorate, decided to have a fish fry for all the employees. He was having trouble finding someone to do the cooking and someone suggested that Skidmore might do the job.

The fried catfish, hush puppies and baked beans were so good that the employees decided they should hold fish fries more often. They gradually increased to two or three a year and now they plan about six a year. . . with Skidmore as chef.

"It's a pretty good job cooking for about 150 people, but if you set things up right you can time it so you feed everyone while the food is still hot. I keep the fish on ice until about an hour before I'm ready to cook them. Then I put salt and

meal in a big bag and shake the fish until they are coated and ready to pop into the hot grease," Skidmore said.

He has no special recipe for his catfish, but he does have a favorite mixture for his hush puppies. He has his own portable cooker with bottled gas that he likes to use for these affairs.

SKIDMORE'S HUSH PUPPIES

- 1 cup self-rising corn meal (white)
- 1 cup very coarsely chopped onions
- 1/2 teaspoon sugar
- 1 egg
- 1 teaspoon black pepper

Use buttermilk to thicken to paste Drop from spoon into hot grease

Several times Skidmore was volunteered to cook for other directorates, but now he is limiting his activities to the Maintenance Directorate and his own private cookouts.

"Cookouts are fun, but I like to do them when I want to and when I feel like it. When you get too involved, it isn't fun anymore," Skidmore said.



BOND BOOSTER—Elaine Grimes, cashier at the Finance and Accounting Division, hands Haskell M. Johnson the 50 one hundred dollar bonds that he just purchased. Johnson works in the Security Branch, Internal Security Division, RASA, and decided to invest some of his savings in Government bonds.

Another Pool This Summer

Construction work started Monday on a swimming pool adjacent to the Non-Commissioned Officers' Open Mess, with tentative completion date set for May 21.

A contract for \$150,142 has been awarded Jabco, Inc., of Florence for the construction which is to be funded from non-appropriated funds.

Plans call for the pool to be

63 ft. by 82 ft., with a 35 ft. by 35 ft. diving well and a 30 ft. diameter wading pool. The contract also includes a filter system, night lighting and dressing facilities for both men and women.

The contract is being administered by Facilities Engineering Division of the Redstone Arsenal Support Agency.

Local Colleges Set Registration

The University of Alabama in Huntsville, and the John C. Calhoun Junior College have announced Spring registration for Graduate and Undergraduate courses.

The University will conduct its regular registration Monday, March 5. Calhoun will conduct its registration on Monday and Tuesday, March 19-20.

Organizations desiring to nominate civilian employees for courses should submit an SMI Form 1011, an Off-Post Training Request, to reach the Training and Development Branch of the Civilian Personnel Division by February 21.

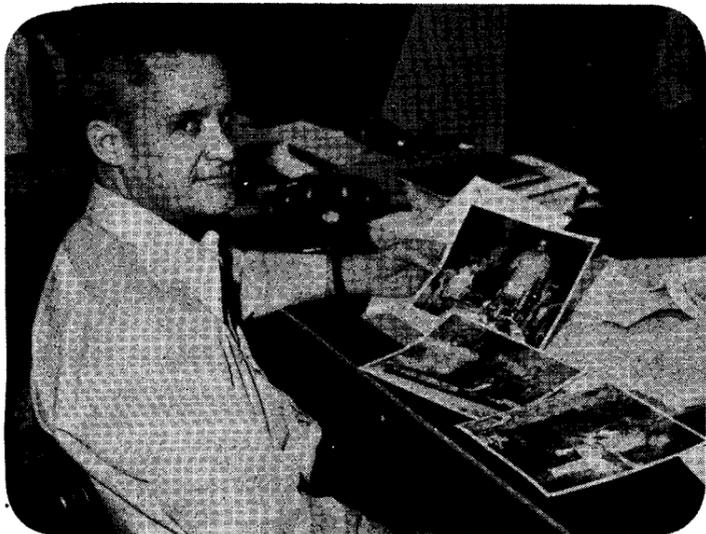
Address the form ATTN: AM-SMI-PCTT, and submit four carbon copies. Forms received after this date will be returned, and copies reproduced on office copying machines will not be accepted.

Accountants Set Meeting

The Huntsville Chapter, Federal Government Accountants Association will hold a joint meeting with the North Alabama Chapter, National Association of Accountants on Monday, February 19, at Michael's Restaurant.

Guest speaker will be Claude M. Hamrick, Jr., CPA, a general partner of Alexander Grant & Company, who will speak on, "Cost Standard Board."

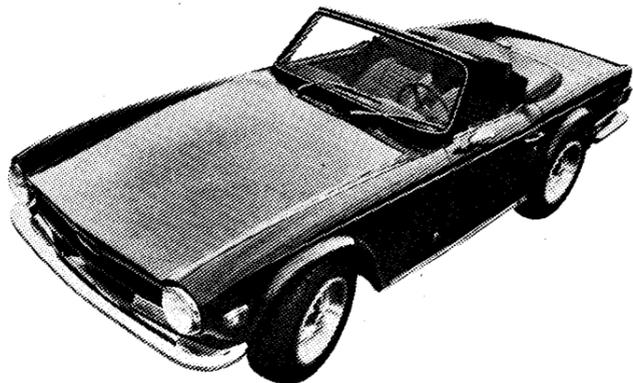
Guests are invited and reservations can be made by contacting Johnny Barron, telephone 453-0195.



REDSTONE CHEF—Bill Skidmore goes through the photo file of past fish fries.

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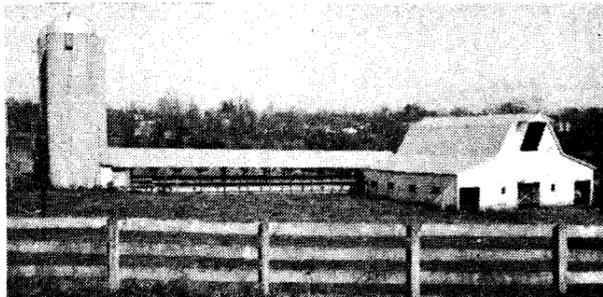
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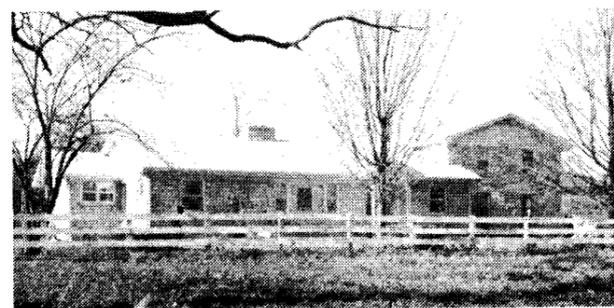
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Joint Effort

Five staff members of the MICOM Civilian Personnel Division have received certificates of commendation and checks for their efforts in getting the Public Services Career program underway at Redstone.

Helen Hughes, LeRoy Daniels, Cecil B. McAllister, Lucy Grace and Mary Birmingham shared \$350 award.

The Public Services Career program is designed to improve and extend programs in order for the Federal government to employ persons with limited education and skills.

To date, 46 persons have been employed in the Redstone Arsenal Support Activity under the program. Remaining spaces for further employment will be distributed among other MICOM organizations.

Spartan Zeroes On ICBM Target

A Spartan missile, launched and controlled by a research and development Missile Site Radar (MSR), successfully intercepted a simulated ICBM target nosecone over Kwajalein Atoll in the Pacific Ocean.

The purpose of this mission was to test the capability of the MSR and its associated data processor to launch and guide the Spartan to a long range, low altitude intercept.

The interceptor missile passed close enough to the simulated

target, as verified by instrumentation, to have successfully accomplished the intercept. The Spartan did not carry an explosive warhead.

The Spartan was launched from Meck Island in the Kwajalein Atoll where the MSR is also located.

The MSR and the associated data processor which guided the interceptor missile are similar to equipment planned for use at the Safeguard tactical site now under construction.

Redstone Tour Now Assured

Residents of North Alabama can now enlist in the U. S. Army and be guaranteed a minimum of one year of service at Redstone Arsenal.

The Redstone Arsenal tour would begin after basic training and any additional training needed for Army jobs.

The U. S. Army Missile and Munitions Center and School has started the Station/Unit of Choice Program to fill its enlisted job openings.

The program has afforded the opportunity for Redstone Arsenal and MMCS to work closely with the recruiters in North Alabama to attract potential recruits from the area.

MMCS has already begun to advertise the positions available, some of which do not relate to missiles and ammunition.

The Army is trying to fill vacancies in several critical skills such as supply, food service, personnel specialists, television

specialists and clerks, and this program can put new soldiers where those vacancies exist.

Canvassing teams from MMCS will work closely with each recruiting station to provide motion pictures and brochures explaining the program for potential applicants. A radio and television advertising campaign aimed at the young North Alabama audience is in progress.

Further information is available from Major Anthony L. Hittner of the School Brigade MMCS, Redstone Arsenal, Ala., 35809, telephone 876-6608 or from local Army recruiter.



Determination of eligibility for CHAMPUS benefits and issuance of official identification cards as proof of eligibility are responsibilities of the individual uniformed service.

Slow Down

The speed limit through all Arsenal gates is now set at 25 mph. Signs already have been posted at the most frequently used gates, and markers will soon be placed at all gates.

Mini-Sized Manual

(ANF)—There's a new handbook for soldiers taking basic training. It's called the "Soldiers Manual, Army Testing"—A pocket-sized book that has everything a soldier needs to know to pass his end-of-the-cycle exam.

The first copies of the book were issued last month, and there'll be up-dated versions of it every six months or so.

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"Some people think all a chaplain does is sit in a corner, pray and punch cards. I don't want to sit and shine halos when there's so much work to be done," says Mrs. Marlene Bradley, secretary and administrative assistant to Staff Chaplain Gene M. Little.

Marlene feels that people need to have a "can do" attitude and this is certainly apparent in her work at the Post Chapel.

A native of Germany, she moved to the United States in 1953, after marrying James W. Bradley, who is with the U. S. Army Metrology and Calibration Agency.

Before coming to the United States, Marlene worked as an interpreter at the U. S. Air Force headquarters in Germany. She translates in French, German and English.

Besides taking formal instruction in the science of languages at the University of Frankfurt in Germany, Marlene has done linguistic research on her own and tries to keep up with language changes, both written and verbal.

Her educational background also includes a degree in home economics with a minor field in child psychology.

LINGUIST

Because she comes into contact with such a wide range of people in her work, Marlene is constantly turning to her education for assistance. She says that her knowledge of languages has proved valuable in a number of instances at the chapel.

Marlene frequently receives visits from the Germany troops stationed at Redstone. She is a welcome reminder of home for the young soldiers and Marlene enjoys discussing Germany with them.

Since she is responsible for planning and supervising many of the social functions at the chapel, Marlene is able to use her training in home economics. She even made the arrangements for a German meal that was served to a group of local ministers. This included planning the menu and instructing others in the food preparation.

Marlene came to Huntsville and began working at Redstone Arsenal in 1965, but it was in 1968, that



Marlene Bradley Linguist

she moved into the position at the chapel. Since then, her duties have included keeping up with programming and funding procedures, property, reports and special arrangements.

She even developed a concept of contracts and presented the plan at the Chaplain Command Conference. Marlene meets with chaplains from all command levels and emphasizes the fact that the chapel serves all Redstone units including the Missile Command, Safeguard and the Missile and Munitions Center and School.

One of the major responsibilities Marlene carries in her office is maintaining an atmosphere of diplomacy. In a chaplain's office there is much emphasis put on good human relations.

HELPING PEOPLE

"Our missions is helping people," says Marlene. "If I did not have the time to listen to people, there would be no purpose to my life."

Many of the people who come in to speak with the chaplain stop and talk with Marlene first. She often finds herself listening to the problem at hand. "I listen but I do not try to counsel," says Marlene. "That's for the chaplain to do. One moment I may be talking with a young girl ecstatic over her wedding and the next moment will be with someone who is grief stricken."

Another important aspect of her job at the chapel is providing a link of continuity between the chaplains that come and go in the office. Since all of the chaplains are military officers, the turnover is large. Marlene tries to see that each new chaplain is fully oriented to the position and is informed of what has gone on before his arrival.

Marlene's vitality does not stop at the end of her work day. She is active in religious and community affairs and is the mother of two daughters. Marilyn, 19, is a student at the University of Alabama in Huntsville and Sylvia, 17, is a senior at Butler High School.

Her mother, who is 90, came from Germany seven years ago to live with Marlene and her family.

Since she was a member of a university rowing team in Germany, Marlene is enthusiastic about water sports. She likes boating and fishing but says she did not become interested in fishing until she came to the United States.

In Germany, she always took the oars out of the water when passing a fisherman so as not to disturb the fish. Now she enjoys the other side of the bank as well.

Help Is Available

(ANF)—The Veterans Administration offers assistance to the ex-serviceman in many ways—and helping a vet addicted to drugs is one of them.

If a veteran has a drug problem, all he has to do is visit the nearest V-A Hospital or out-patient clinic—and he'll get help right away.

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Surplus Cameras Will Do Job

For saving the Government \$300,000, Patrick O. Matkin, an electrical engineer with the Safeguard System Command has received the Command's Quarterly Cost Reduction Award for the second quarter of Fiscal Year 1973.

The award was presented by Major General R. C. Marshall, SAFSCOM's Commanding General.

The saving was achieved by Matkin's value engineering studies which led to procurement of surplus BC-4 cameras for the

Safeguard Research and Development Facility in the Kwajalein Atol.

Matkin received his BS degree from the University of Alabama in Tuscaloosa and has been with SAFSCOM since 1969.



Why we nutritionists must advertise

By
Johnnie McDaniel
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Today's Sermon About Health Foods

My sermons about health foods will officially start tomorrow, but first I would like to say a little something about why we 'Nutritionists' must do more advertising. We are not trying to acclaim glory for ourselves, although there always has been and always will be 'fanatics' to every cause. A true 'Nutritionist' like myself is only interested in 'the facts'. The fact is that advertising has become the number one menace to the health of our nation. By advertising white bread, cola drinks and so many other foodless foods, our nation is being lead like a bunch of helpless sheep to the slaughter. We can only fight evil with good. That is the reason we 'Nutritionists' must begin to advertise.

I realize that 'The Reader' must be skeptical even when he is reading what seems to be right. For so many times the reader is lead in the wrong direction, even when the direction seems as pure and right as 'The Writing on the Wall'. I will give you an example of such righteous purity — his name is LOUIS PASTEUR!"

Antoine Bechamp

It was a Frenchman, named Antoine Bechamp, who first recognized germs as helpful scavengers, brought into being by the inner resources of the body to destroy its own pathogenic material.

Louis Pasteur, a druggist, drew a different interpretation from the evidence. To him, the germ was a hostile invader that came from outside the body and because certain germs were always present in certain diseases, he assumed that it was germs that 'caused' the disease.

Louis Pasteur

Whereas Bechamp was absorbed in his researches, Pasteur was an ADVERTISER who made sure that the public heard about everything he discovered. In this way, he created a popular following that



discovered. In this way, he created a popular following that proclaimed him a "scientific genius". Much of his work, according to Dr. William Howard Hay of Buffalo, New York, was "plainly cribbed from Bechamp without credit, and interpreted to suit his purpose which was to build up a huge market for germ destroyers."

Pasteur Acclaimed

Pasteur's theory of germs as the cause of disease was analyzed by Professor Robert Koch and a dictum accepted by the scientists of the time was formulated to prove or disprove the theory. Using this dictum the germ theory of disease was exploded again and again. Even the British doctor's own paper, "The Lance," (March 20, 1909) acknowledged that it simply c'dn't work. But once a good story gets going, it's next to impossible to stop it. Had the implications of Bechamp's findings been properly understood and applied, we might have been saved many years of confusion and pain. He recognized the soil conditions of the body as the prime cause of disease and the germ as a development of a biochemical nature whose role was to break down the dead organic waste matter and rid the body of it. Bechamp died poor and almost unknown while Pasteur has been acclaimed by the scientific world and presented as a great benefactor to mankind. Now Hollywood has written his epitaph!

My Sermons "Quoted"

In all my future 'sermons' I will never say what I believe to be right. I realize that just because I 'believe it' does not make it so. I will always state the facts. All my sermons will always be 'quoted'. They may be 'quoted' from a dozen different experts who have been doing research for forty years or more — but they will be coming from 'The Pros' of 'Nutrition'.

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DoD Plans Drug Abuse Workshop

WASHINGTON (ANF) — The Department of Defense (DoD) plans to hold a Drug Abuse Workshop to gather and disseminate information to military and civilians in the United States and other nations.

It is expected that the



GOLD STAR AWARD. Huntsville Chapter 26, Disabled American Veterans, has initiated a plan to award plaques to Gold Star mothers in the area and has called on local residents to identify mothers who have lost a son in the military service. Hollis Bridges, chairman of the plaque committee said persons may call him at 876-1191 or contact Clarence Albright at the Madison County Courthouse (536-5911). Bridges said the plaquest will be presented as soon as the Gold Star Mothers list is completed.

Army would provide most of the military personnel at the workshop because the Army has a large proportion of individuals knowledgeable of the Vietnam drug situation.

Maj. Gen. John K. Singlaub, deputy secretary of defense for drug and alcohol abuse, issued a memorandum that stated:

"The past experience of the Armed Forces, and the Army in particular, with drug abuse in Vietnam has been unique; undoubtedly many situations arose and many solutions were devised for the first time in our military experience.

"These episodes or lessons learned unquestionably have value and possible application to the drug abuse problems in the military in other parts of the world as well as in the civilian sector of our society

"This experience should be fully documented and prepared for dissemination among those with drug abuse programs so that they and the nation might benefit from the experience of the Armed Forces."

Singlaub's office has already prepared a draft document which details the Armed Forces experiences as they are now known.

It is felt, however, that

there is much that can be added. Therefore, DoD proposes to sponsor a two or three day workshop in late February or early March to which selected military and civilians would be invited.

Tour Take In Famed Distillery

A tour of the Jack Daniels distillery and other points of interest in southern Tennessee, is on the Service Club schedule for Saturday.

Located on the outskirts of Lynchburg, Tenn. the distillery was built in 1866 and is the oldest registered distillery in the United States.

The tour bus leaves the Service Club at 9 a.m. Enlisted Men interested in making the tour are required to register at the Club.

A picnic lunch will be furnished for all those registering in advance.



"What we did yesterday and the way we did it is not good enough for today..." (Whitney Young)

"Aman's state is like his house. If it has defects, he tries to remedy them..." (Medgar Evers)

Not So Short After Thirty Years

When A. W. Beier mentioned to his co-workers that he had found his short snorter, they conjured up all sorts of visions of what a short snorter was.

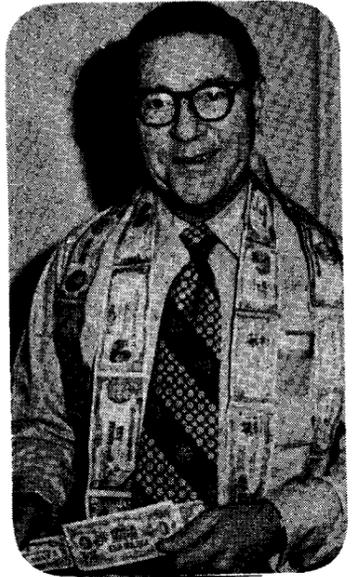
One person said, "I thought it was a bottle of something special that he had saved for a short snort now and then." Another commented, "I thought it was a good luck charm that had a special meaning." In short, no one knew what a short snorter was.

Beier, who is TDY from AVSCOM and working with personnel of the Directorate, Management Information Systems at Redstone, started his short snorter during World War II.

As a member of the 5th Army Air Force stationed at Brisbane, Australia, Beier moved from island to island as the U. S. started its counter-offensive in the Pacific.

The short snorter started with Beier taking a piece of paper currency and getting some of his buddies or crew members to sign it. Then when he moved to a new place he added another bill and the procedure continued at each place he visited.

Since Beier was stationed at such places as Nadzab, New Guinea; Owi and Biak, Netherlands Indies. Leyete, Philippines; Okinawa and Australia, he collected paper currency from each. His short snorter is 12 feet long and is composed of Japanese yen, Dutch



A. W. "BILL" BEIER... and his short snorter

guilders, Philippine pesos and several invasion currencies and scripts. Some of the bills are now collector's items.

According to Beier, "It has been nearly 30 years since I started it really brings back the memories. What amazed me most was the fact that so many people had never heard of a short snorter. I guess the custom has died down through the years."

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