



Notices Out Friday; 1,100 in MICOM, SAFSCOM

MICOM:

364 affected; 168 offered reassignment
at lower grade; remainder transfer in grade.

SAFSCOM:

727 affected; 394 separations, 178 transfer
in grade; offered reassignment at lower grade.

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MICOM

The Army Missile Command will issue formal notice on April 20 to 364 civilian employees affected by an organizational realignment planned for completion on June 26.

Result of a major review of civilian positions and organizational functions begun more than a year ago to improve the position management structure of the command, the personnel actions are required to assign individuals to positions in the new organizational structure.

Civil Service reduction-in-force procedures are being used to protect the rights of individuals involved in the realignment.

More than 7,000 MICOM civilian employees will not receive notices and are not affected by the organizational shifts.

The total of 364 individuals currently affected will decline further as retirements, resignations and transfers in the organization prior to June 26 provide additional opportunities to place them.

A majority of the individuals scheduled to receive notices Friday will be informed that they are being reassigned to another job at the same rate of pay. One hundred and sixty individuals will be offered positions at a lower pay grade. Most of those downgraded will be paid at their current rate for two years in accordance with Civil Service procedures. Fewer than 20 are being demoted more than three grades. Their salaries will be adjusted in accord with a formula specified by Civil Service rules. The exact rate of new pay in such cases varies in accord with a formula specified by Civil Service rules. The exact rate of new pay in such cases varies in accord with how long the individual was employed at the higher pay grade and the number of grades he has been reduced.

The formal notices are scheduled to be hand delivered to the individuals at

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SAFSCOM

The Army SAFEGUARD System Command will issue formal notices a week sooner than expected to 727 civilian employees affected by an organizational realignment planned for completion on June 29.

The notices will be hand delivered to employees at their work locations on April 20 instead of the following Friday, but will be dated the 27th. Since the employee who receives an offer must reply within 15 days of the date of the letter, the effect of the early notification is to give that employee an extra week to decide what he wants to do. Should he fail to reply by May 14 (the Monday following the 15th day), he will be considered to have declined the offer and will be slated for separation on June 29.

The realignment which was first announced on January 11, is due to restrictions placed on the deployment of the Safeguard System by the ABM Treaty that was signed with the Soviet Union last year and by 1972 Congressional actions that further limited deployment.

Three hundred and ninety-four employees will be informed that they will be separated as of June 29. The January 11 announcement indicated that 470 employees would be terminated by mid-1973. That figure has been reduced to 394 by normal attrition. One hundred and seventy-eight individuals will be notified that they are being reassigned to another job at the same rate of pay. An additional 155 people will be offered positions at a lower pay grade.

Almost 800 USASAFSCOM civilian employees will not receive notices Friday.

Most of those downgraded will be paid at their current rate for two years in accordance with Civil Service procedures. However, some people being downgraded are being demoted more than three grades. Their salaries will be adjusted in accordance with a formula specified by

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The Redstone Rocket

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Answers

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

QUESTION: If a person is offered a job at a lower grade level than he or she presently holds, would that person be eligible for severance pay if he or she does not accept the job? Would it be considered an involuntary separation if he or she doesn't accept the lower job?

ANSWER: An employee who at the time of separation from the service, is offered and declines to accept a position in his or her agency of equal pay, tenure, and seniority, located within the same commuting area, is not entitled to severance pay. Actions of this nature are not considered an involuntary separation.

EXAMPLE: An employee is employed as a Clerk Typist, GS-4 (\$6544) in San Diego. The installation where he or she works is closed and the function is transferred to another installation, also in San Diego. The employee is offered the position of Clerk Typist, GS-3, rate 5 (\$6604) and declines. He or she is not entitled to severance pay because the employee declined an equivalent position in the commuting area.

An employee is employed as a Clerk Typist, GS-4 (\$7634) in San Diego. The installation where the employee works is closed and the function is transferred to another installation, also in San Diego. The employee is offered the position of Clerk Typist, GS-3 (\$7634) Retained Rate and declines. He or she is entitled to severance pay because the position offered was not an equivalent position.

QUESTION: How do U.S. Army commands at Redstone plan to increase black and women employees by five percent and promote them when the commands are going through RIFs and downgrading actions?

ANSWER: As pointed out in the announcement made on Feb. 28 on the new EEO Plan of Action being followed by local Army commands and agencies, attainment of the revised hiring and promotion goals for blacks and women is dependent upon the authority to hire. The plan envisions placing blacks and women, where possible, when vacancies occur within authorized manning levels. Reduction in manning levels and grade controls admittedly make attainment of the EEO goals difficult. As the official announcement pointed out, the EEO numerical goals may have to be revised at mid-year to take into account restrictions on outside hiring and promotions that will be in effect as the local commands adjust their manpower. Despite reductions and grade controls, however, the local Army Commands will enter the new fiscal year on July 1 with a total civilian manning strength of about 10,000. Normal turnover in a work force that size will create many vacancies. There will be hiring. There will be promotions. Every supervisor and manager has a responsibility to take positive action when effecting personnel actions to correct imbalances in the workforce where they exist. The Army is placing additional emphasis at all levels in the areas of recruiting and placement to provide qualified minority and women candidates for referral to selecting supervisors. It is not now, nor has it ever been, the plan of local Army agencies to attain EEO goals by laying off white male employees to create vacancies to hire or promote blacks and women.

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EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the first of a two part article on the disease of alcoholism. This week vital statistics of the disease are discussed.

Your eyes feel like a truck load of gravel has been dumped into them—every movement of the eyeball grinds that "gravel" into the sensitive soft part of the delicate organ.

Your mouth feels as though it were stuffed with cotton, or as if your tongue had transformed into mushy cardboard. It even tastes like you had dined on cardboard the night before.

Ballooning out with any slight movement, your head could conceivably drop off at any moment—or maybe you wish it would.

So you go for the "morning after" to relieve that giddy, empty feeling deep down in the pit of your stomach. But this isn't the first time—or even an occasional occurrence. This action is perhaps just one in a long string of mornings after. You're caught in a vicious circle.

If this is the case—you're sick—and sadly enough you're just one of nine million in this country who are subject to this disease. You're an alcoholic.

The Federal Drug Commission has declared alcoholism to be the number one drug problem in the nation. Heroin ranks second.

Alcoholism involves repeated excessive drinking in an environment where drinking is considered a pastime or treat. The individual who develops the disease, starts out treating himself to occasional booze.

After the first drink, some individuals are hooked to a chain reaction of compulsive drinking. For them, one drink becomes too many. Others acquire the habit over a gradual process to the point where they no longer can control their drinking. Over a period of time—perhaps years or perhaps only weeks—they end up treating themselves to the chronic disease of alcoholism.

According to national averages, in proportion to our nine million alcoholics, we have approximately six hundred thousand hard core drug addicts. Yet drug addiction is recognized nationwide by most Americans as a major threat to health in America, and addiction to booze is ignored, forgotten, or hushed up.

Alcoholism has reached such a large scale, that it ranks among the major national health threats, along with cancer, mental illness and heart disease.

It threatens physical damage to the body and its organs. It threatens the people close to an alcoholic—his family, friends, job and associates. It even threatens the people having no association with the alcoholic—the people who make up his environment—society.

The National Council on Alcoholism reports that 50 per cent of all fatal accidents occurring on the roads today involve alcohol.

The council also said alcoholism accounts, directly or indirectly, for 40 per cent of the problems brought to family courts.

Loss of productivity among employed workers because of alcoholism has been computed at 10 billion dollars annually, the Council continues. The total cost to the nation and the human loss to individuals, families and communities is incalculable.

Other statistics from the Council are:

Forty per cent of all male admissions to state mental hospitals suffer from alcoholism.

Thirty-one per cent of those who take their own lives are alcoholics. Their suicide rate is 58 times that of non-alcoholics.

Closer to home—the Council reports that there are approximately 240,000 problem drinkers in the Federal service, or about 8 per cent of the work force. The cost to the Federal Government alone in terms of absenteeism, turnover, the faulty work performance has been conservatively estimated to be between \$275 and \$550 million annually.

Yet, with all the damage alcoholism is doing to society—society is relatively ignorant of the disease. Part of that ignorance is rooted in the old attitudes and prejudices surrounding the national concept of the alcoholic.

He has been symbolized over the years as the "red-nosed Skid Row bum" who served as the object of derision and the subject of scorn. In religious circles he was considered useless, hopeless, and without character. Many people say of the alcoholic, "He drinks too much and if he had any will power he would cut down; he is a weak person."

No man or woman wants to admit that image to himself. Because the image is false, and because the majority of alcoholics believe in that image, most never can admit to their disease.

The truth is that the "skid row" alcoholic represents less than five per cent of the total number of alcoholics. They are actually found in all types of occupations and all levels of society and income brackets.

The average alcoholic is a man or woman in their middle thirties with a good job, a good home, and a family.

So, instead of facing the truth, the alcoholic tries to convince himself and others that his drinking behavior is not abnormal. The day he "faces up" is the day he could be on the way to recovery. Many times, he needs help from those close to him to do his facing up.

Yes, alcoholism is treatable. Effective business and industry employee alcoholism programs show recovery rates of 65 to 70 per cent, according to the National Council on Alcoholism. Alcoholics Anonymous in the United States now has a membership of some 750,000.

Education, early detection and community treatment facilities are the greatest forces operating today for the control and reduction of alcoholism.

A minister, priest, rabbi, or a family physician may be called on for help.

Specifically oriented toward the alcoholic is the local chapter of Alcoholics Anonymous (534-8524), the local Mental Health Center Alcoholism Information Coordinator (534-2466), the North East Alabama Council on Alcoholism (536-6011), the local Community Action Committee's AL-PRO Center (539-6469), the RSA Alcohol and Drug Program Office (876-5705), the RSA Alcohol and Drug Counselling Center, or the Halfway House (876-7670), the RSA Rap Center (876-6665), the MSFC Medical Center (453-2390), the MSFC Alcohol and Drug Abuse Program Coordinator (453-5411).

Next week, alcoholism at Redstone Arsenal,—what is being done to find and treat it—will be discussed.

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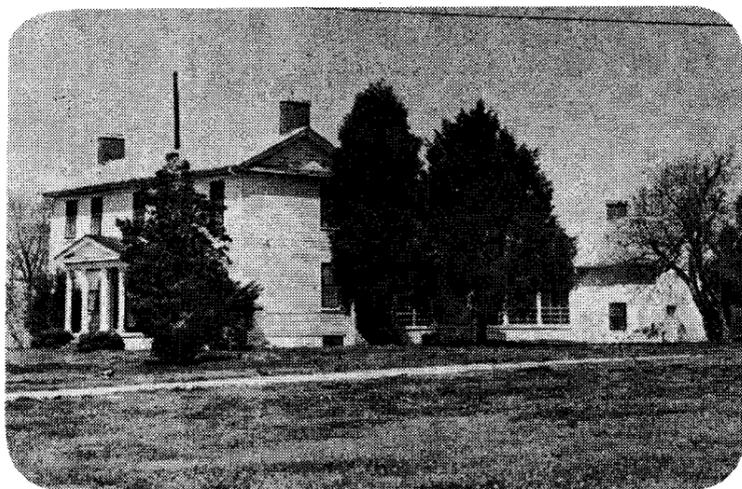
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Redstone's historic Lee mansion and 17 other buildings will soon disappear. They've been sold to Surplus Inc. of Arab, with the stipulation that they be removed from the Arsenal within 12 months of the signing of the contract.

Property includes two story barracks, administrative buildings, warehouses, latrine's, family quarters, and the Lee house.

Removal of the Lee house will leave only the numerous family cemeteries on the Arsenal as historic reminders of the early settlement of this portion of Northern Alabama.

Historically the Lee house dates back to 1818 when the first two rooms of the mansion were built by James Cooper on the quarter section of land then known as Pond Beat.

Bricks to construct the house were brought down the Tennessee River from Chattanooga and other points north, on the stern-wheel steamers that plied the river in those days.

Cooper and his bride, Charity, lived in the original two story brick building until his death in 1834. According to historical accounts Cooper committed suicide on December 7, 1834, by placing an iron pot over his head and walking into the Tennessee River.

In 1840 Charity married Colonel Huston H. Lee, a neighbor, and they added four rooms 20 by 20 feet square and the large walnut winding stairway that is still a part of the house.

Strangely enough though Cooper built the original house, it was never known as the Cooper house. While Charity and her second husband lived there, it became known as the Lee mansion and the title stuck.

Today it can truthfully be said, "they don't build homes like that anymore."

The winding stairway was built so carefully that now, 133 years later, the steps do not shake or give with weight upon them. The Lees added four more rooms one-and-a-half stories high making the house a Z-shape. All three sections of the house had a walkway to keep the occupants from having to go out in the weather when going from one part of the house to another.

In what was considered a mean feat of engineering, the builders excavated under the entire house and built a basement that had one access door through the house and two access doors from outside.

Though there were never many dances held there when the Lees were residents, the home became a social center for the area in the decades that followed the Civil War.

After it was acquired as part of Redstone Arsenal, the Lee mansion served for years as family quarters for some of the military personnel with large families.

Now more than 155 years later the Lee mansion has been sold and will be moved to a new location.

Assumes Command At Safeguard

The Safeguard System Command and the Army Engineer Division, Huntsville have new commanders following change of command ceremonies at the headquarters in Research Park last week.

Brigadier General Bates C. Burnell, formerly Division Engineer of USAEDH, assumed command of SAFSCOM from Major General Robert C. Marshall, who will be assigned to Headquarters, U. S. Army Forces Command.

Colonel Lochlin W. Caffey, formerly Deputy Division Engineer replaced General Burnell.

Lieutenant General W. P. Leber, Safeguard System Manager, participated in the change of command ceremonies and presented awards to General Marshall and General Burnell for their contributions to the United States ballistic missile defense program. General Marshall received the Distinguished Service Medal and General Burnell received the Legion of Merit. The Distinguished Service Medal is the Nation's highest non-combat award and the Legion of Merit is the second highest non-combat award.

General Marshall began his tour of duty with the Army's ballistic missile defense effort in June 1968 when he was assigned as Director, Site Activation Directorate for the Sentinel System Command. On 31 July 1969, General Marshall was named Acting Commander of USASAFSCOM and assumed command on 27 October 1969. He is scheduled to report to Fort McPherson on 30 April 1973.

General Burnell reported to the Engineer Division, Huntsville in March of 1969 for assignment as Deputy Division Engineer.

Colonel Caffey returned to the Huntsville Division in August 1970 as an Assistant Division Engineer and then assumed the duties of Deputy Division Engineer in August 1972. He had previously been assigned to the Division in 1968 and 1969 as an Assistant Division Engineer.

Gen. Eifler Is AOA Speaker

Lieutenant General Charles W. Eifler (USA Ret.) will be feature speaker during the spring meeting of the Tennessee Valley Chapter, American Ordnance Association next Wednesday.

The meeting will be at the Redstone Officers Open Mess beginning at 6:30 p.m.

Eifler's subject will be "Why Europe?"

Advance tickets may be purchased from the following:

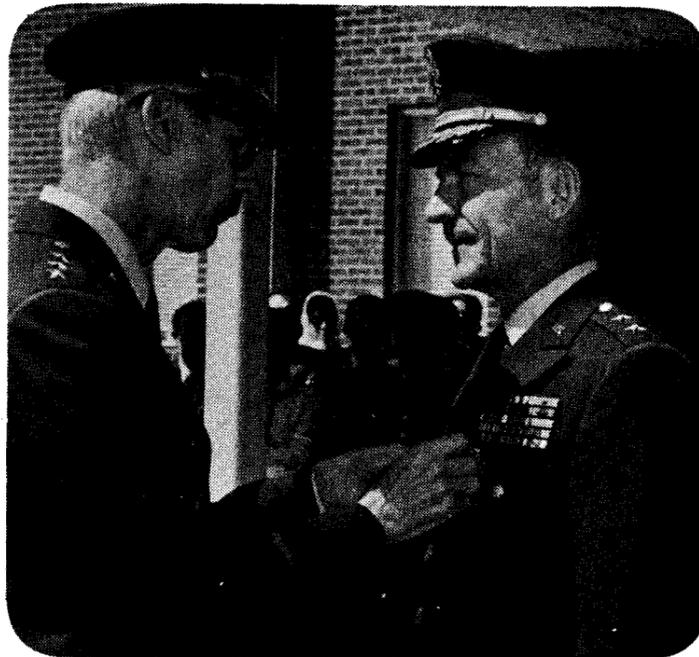
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Recognize Wives

Wives of soldiers of all ranks may be receiving some notice of appreciation at the Missile and Munitions Center and School.

In a letter to staff officers of MMCS, the office of the Secretary solicited nominations of wives who make contributions to community life while their husbands are assigned to MMCS.

The letter called for procedures to assure that nominations of wives active in such activities be sent to the office of the Secretary in time for an award presentation prior to the husband's change of station, retirement or end of active service. Nominations for a "Great Ordnance Lady" may be made on a disposition form addressed to the Secretary, MMCS.



ON LEAVING, LT. Gen. W. R. Leber pins The Distinguished Service Medal on Major General R. C. Marshall.

Three Cash In On Their Ideas

Three MICOM people, all employed by the Procurement and Production Directorate, have won cash for suggesting better ways to do a job.

Bobbie Smith, a secretary-stenographer, got \$25 for her idea to store all superseded regulations in the P&P library, thus cutting costs of maintaining separate files.

Eston Lovingood, a contract negotiator, won \$70. Lovingood suggested that it would be cheaper to completely reprint his

division's internal operating procedure (which covers every type of action in the tournament chain) about four times a year rather than update it every time a procedure changed.

Shelia Hartsfield, a procurement clerk, got \$135 for her suggestion to use pre-printed forms to gather data for procurement packages. Her idea eliminated the drafting, typing and proofing of disposition forms which had been used to gather the information.



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"Not so," said Major Tommy L. Thorne, MICOM's EEO officer.

"Equal employment opportunity is for everyone. Any employee who feels he or she has been discriminated against because of race, religion, sex or national origin should take steps to have the case resolved."

Thorne outlined the procedures for EEO complaints.

First, it is recommended that an

attempt be made to work out the problem through supervisory channels.

If this recourse doesn't prove satisfactory, the employee, in order to pursue resolution, must contact an EEO counselor - not necessarily one appointed from the organization element where the employee works.

The counselor has 21 calendar days to perform an inquiry into the complaint and try to effect an informal agreement between the individual and management, then report the findings to the employee.

"The complainant is entitled to a representative to do the talking and handle the case," Thorne said, "This often relieves tension between information as to employment practices and patterns."

A report is then made and sent back to the commander who makes a decision on the complaint, based on the investigator's recommendations.

"We should point out that disciplinary action may be recommended and taken against supervisors who do not carry out the full intent of the program," Thorne said.

If an employee is not satisfied with the commander's decision on the case, the individual may request a hearing by an examiner designated by the Civil Service Commission.

This examiner comes and checks all facts, then documents the findings and conclusions.

When a case goes through a hearing, the examiner makes his recommendations to the Department of Army EEO director.

At this point, if the examiner has submitted a recommendation that there is discrimination and the EEO director has not issued a final decision within 180 calendar days after the complaint was filed, the complaint examiner's decision shall be construed as final and become binding on the Department of Army 30 days after the director receives it.

Other alternatives are open. The ween the employee and management. The counselor is not a representative for the employee nor for management."

If the final interview between the counselor and the employee is not completed within 21 calendar days, the counselor must notify the employee that a formal complaint

may be filed with the installation EEO officer, the Federal Women's Program Coordinator, the activity commander, the Secretary of the Army or Director of EEO, within 15 calendar days.

"The complaint may be by letter," Thorne said, "but should be on DA Form 2590-R."

When this is done, the EEO Officer decides whether to accept or reject the complaint. If it is accepted, it must be sent to the U. S. Appellate Review Office that serves the agency where the complainant is employed. MICOM is served by the office in Atlanta.

If the complaint is rejected, the complainant must be informed in writing.

When a complaint is accepted the Appellate Review Office responds by furnishing an investigator who comes to check into the matter. This investigator is provided appropriate records as requested and talks to the complainant, management and any others necessary to get all per-complainant has the right to go to the U. S. District court within 30 calendar days of the Army decision; or may go to court within 180 calendar days if there has been

no decision within 30 calendar days of receipt of notice of final action taken by the Civil Service Commission; or 180 calendar days from date of filing an appeal with the Commission if there is no Commission decision.

"A complainant is kept informed of all actions as they occur. An employee should feel free and may actually take action if coerced or reprimed at any stage during handling of the case - these charges may go as part of the complaint package or separately," Thorne said.

Formal complaints may be filed with: Major Thorne, installation EEO officer, MICOM, Room A-200, Bldg. 5250, Phone, 876-1128; Charles Ray, assistant MICOM EEO officer, EEO office, Room M-132, Bldg. 5250, Phone 876-3591; Arleta Martin, Federal Womens Program Coordinator, EEO office, Room M-132, Bldg. 5250, Phone 876-3591; the commanding general MICOM, Room A-200, Bldg. 5250, Phone, 876-2101; Joseph S. BENNETT, Director of EEO, Department of the Army, Washington, D. C. 20310; or the Secretary of the Army ATTN, SAEPO, Washington, D. C. 20310.

Local Members Elect Officers

Members of Local 1858, American Federation of Government Employees, will elect new officers Monday to serve two year terms. There are contests for six positions.

Incumbent Raymond Swaim, an employee of the Missile Command, is seeking re-election as president, a post also sought by George Burchfield who is employed at the Safeguard System Command.

Remberst Chastain and Joe Miller are running for Executive Vice President. Albert Banks and Leonard Gurley, the incumbent, are the candidates for Sergeant-At-Arms.

There are three contests for organization vice president posts. Peter Lazar, incumbent, and James L. "Tuck" Lewis Jr. are the candidates in MICOM: Joseph Stewart, incumbent, and Curtis Van DeGrift in MMCS and Mae Anderson, incumbent, and Juanita Lopez for Non Appropriated Fund Activities.

Those running unopposed for union office include: Treasurer, Lester Mitchell, incumbent; Secretary, Billy Garrison, VP DCAS, Charles Woodard, incumbent; VP MEDDAC, Eunice

Holden, incumbent: VP Post Exchange, Walter Parks, incumbent, and VP SAFSCOM non-professional unit, Jessie Drake. No candidates filed for the post of VP SAFSCOM professional unit but space will be provided on the ballot for write-ins.

There will be two polling places. One in Carpenters Hall on West Clinton Avenue will be open from 8 AM until 6 PM the other balloting place will be in Room 4, Bldg 3648, open 7 AM to 7 PM.

Post Theatre This Week

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SATURDAY, 27 March
"Lady Liberty" (PG)

SUNDAY-MONDAY, 22-23 April
"Skyjacked" (PG)
INCREASED ADMISSION: adults 75c, children 35c

TUESDAY, 24 April
"Fat City" (PG)

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

Three Plus Three

Sergeant and Mrs. Edduardo Rivera suddenly found their family almost doubled last week with the arrival of triplets at the Medical Center Hospital in Huntsville.

The new arrivals, a boy and two girls, weighed in from four pounds, fifteen ounces to two pounds, thirteen ounces.

Sergeant Rivera is assigned to the 9th ETC while attending Basic NCOES at MMCS.

The new arrivals brings the family up to 5 girls and one boy.

Cost Of Smoking On The Upswing

Dallas -- The Army and Air Force Exchange Service has announced it will raise prices for most cigarettes effective March 28.

The new arrivals, a boy and two girls, weighed in from four pounds, fifteen ounces to two pounds, thirteen ounces.

For the United States Hawaii

and Alaska prices for most regular and kingsize cartons will increase from \$2.60 to \$2.70. Extra-length brands will go from \$2.70 to \$2.80.

Exchanges in Europe the Pacific and other overseas areas will increase prices per carton for most regular and kingsize brands from \$1.90 to \$2.00. Extra-length brands will increase from \$2.00 to \$2.10.

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Congratulations: Bennie Robison



Pictured is Bennie Robison receiving his Chief Warrant from LTC Randall in Nuulm, Germany where Bennie is now serving with the 1st Bn., 81st FA after his tour of duty here at Redstone. His wife Jessie and their two daughters currently reside at 3510 Purdy here in Huntsville.

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"I have never been lonely because there are too many interesting things to do. The main problem is I don't have enough time to do all the things I want to," says Maria Fanning, inventory management specialist in the Materiel Management Directorate.

In less than two weeks, she will have more time for her many interests as she is retiring April

27 after 25 years of service. "I've been offered a job teaching organ and there are always too many great things to do for me to be idle," she said. "The big problem is to decide which one of my varied activities I want to spend the most time on."

Miss Fanning's activities include making artificial flowers, flower arranging, playing the organ, designing hats, tailoring

clothes and making decorator panels.

Actually Miss Fanning started making crepe paper flowers over 20 years ago. She used various color combinations to simulate real flowers that she arranged into centerpieces for tables, mantelpieces, coffee tables and sideboards.

Over the years times and materials changed and Miss Fanning turned to creating artificial flowers from colored foam egg cartons, knitting yarn, crushed glass, plastic packing materiel, embroidery thread and artificial greenery.

Even though flower making and arranging is usually a full-time hobby, Miss Fanning found time to learn to play the organ. As if these activities weren't enough, she turned to crocheting, needlework and tatting.

Next she turned her talents to designing hats and fashioning clothes. She attended a millinery school and has thoughts of someday owning her own original hat shop.



FLOWER LOVER—Maria Fanning, who will retire April 27, will soon have more time for her flower arranging.



SPEAKER FROM ENGLAND—Rebecca Stokes, left, Vice-president of the North Alabama Chapter of the American Society for Metals, listens as Miss Jane Killingworth, chats with James T. Davidson.

British Woman Speaks

Miss Jane Killingworth, Technical Manager, Sales Department, Cambridge Scientific Instruments Limited, Cambridge, England, was guest speaker at a meeting of the North Alabama Chapter of the American Society for Metals, last week.

The guest speaker was introduced by Rebecca Stokes, chapter vice-president, a Physical Metallurgist in the Ground Equipment and Materiel Lab, Missile Command.

Prior to her speech, Miss Killingworth received a certificate of honorary citizenship to the city of Huntsville, from Mayor Joe Davis.

In her presentation, she emphasized the future use of scanning electron microscopy in developing new sciences and new branches of existing sciences.

Since receiving her degree in

physics from the University of Bristol, Miss Killingworth has been working for Cambridge since they manufactured the first scanning microprobe more than 13 years ago.

The scanning electron microscope is one of the most significant accomplishments in the field of materials research and investigative instrumentation.

At the present time there are only 240 of these Cambridge instruments in the United States and seven of them are located in the Huntsville area. The Missile Command has two, NASA has three, TVA has one and IBM the other.

Miss Killingworth discussed many of the uses of SEM in current materials research and then gave her listeners some ideas of the future capabilities that are now being developed at Cambridge.



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By Dave Cowan

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In a way, it's true. In fact, the Army believes voluntary sports activities contribute greatly to combat readiness through improved mental and physical fitness and esprit de corps.

The Army encourages all military personnel on active duty, including members of the Reserve components on active duty for training, and their dependents to participate in the newly organized Presidential Sports Award program.

Under a new Army regulation (AR 28-5) effective April 15, retired military personnel and their dependents can also participate in the Presidential Sports Award program.

The goal of the program is not to produce athletes, but to allow each person to know and enjoy the stimulating experience and pleasure that sports give, and at the same time, achieve and maintain physical fitness. The award itself is an added incentive.

Anyone age 18 or older may participate in any one of 31 popular sports outlined in the regulation.

The basic principle governing qualification is 50 hours of playing one game. The time factor covers at least 50 activity sessions (two or three times a week in most sports) within a period of approximately four months. Participants may earn as many awards as they desire so long as they meet each of the qualifying standards required for each sport.

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The new regulation has additional information on rules and sports.



ROUGH ACTION—A forward for Redstone Arsenal (solid jersey) delivers a mid-air body check in a recent game between the Redstone team and Birmingham.

Last Minute Goal Wins

A last-minute, game-trying goal sparked Ft. Benning to the championship of a military soccer tournament played on Redstone Arsenal last weekend.

Benning's Noel Spleen provided the heroics when he booted the tying goal past a diving Redstone Arsenal goalie with only five seconds remaining.

Redstone had broken a scoreless deadlock in the tightly-played contest on Guenter Kahrs' goal with just four minutes left to play.

Thus the championship game ended in a 1-1 tie, and the score remained the same after 10 minutes of overtime. Each team was then given a chance to try five penalty kicks in order to determine the championship. Benning won the kicking duel and the title with three successful kicks, while Redstone could convert only once. In Saturday's first-round action,

Redstone beat a team of German Military Representatives from Washington, D. C., 3-1. In the second game Saturday, Benning defeated the Birmingham Internationals.

The German Military Representatives took third place by edging Birmingham, 5-4, on Sunday.

Trophies were awarded after the games by Col. Joseph A DeSantis of the Missile and Munitions Center and School.

In addition to team trophies, individuals honored were Felix Enrriquez of Ft. Benning, outstanding goalie; Ulrich Mueller of Redstone Arsenal, outstanding defensive player; and Noel Spleen of Ft. Benning, outstanding offensive player.

Special recognition was given Dr. Ostap Stromecky of UAH who officiated all four games of the tournament.

Keim Sets Pace

And What Else Is New?

Lee Keim has been the P&P Golf League's premier shotmaker for the past five seasons the current season could very well be the sixth chapter in an unbroken series according to the opening night results.

Davenport, Iowa's, gift to the Redstone golfing fraternity got away from the post last week with a sub-par round of 53 that included a hole-in-one on the 250-yard twelfth hole at the Piedmont Par 3 course.

Keim was the only shooter to better par as the league lifted the curtain on the 1973 season under conditions that were something less than ideal.

He and partner, Don McGary combined for a 109 team total in taking four of six match points from the Lloyd Jackson-Lou Snyder duo.

J. D. Kirkland and Clay Morgan equalled the 109 total and won all six of their points, one



LEE KEIM

of four tandems to sweep opening night matches.

Paul Spelar turned in a 2-over 56 for the second lowest individual total of the evening. Two more strokes off the pace were Bill Breedlove, John Sharpe, Gaylord Huffman and Snyder.

Skeet Tourny Set For June

Army personnel have been invited and are authorized to participate in the 13th Armed Forces Skeet championship at Ent Air Force Base, Colorado, in June. Participation by individual and-or unit teams will be at no cost to the

US Government and only in a leave status.

Interested participants should contact Major John R. Bridges, Shoot Manager, Ent Air Force Base (AUTOVON 692-4322-4323).

Buddy System Italian Style

(ANF)—Some American soldiers arriving for duty with the Southern European Task Force in Italy are finding a new kind of "Buddy System."

The 167th Signal Company and the Headquarters Company Support Group there pair up newly

arrived soldiers with a buddy who's about the same age and rank. The buddy introduces the newcomer to the post and helps make things a little easier for him. Incoming soldiers are also given special briefings by the unit first-sergeants.

RSA Keglers Roll At Gordon

A six-man team representing Redstone is at Fort Gordon, GA., this week rolling in the annual third army bowling tournament.

The six keglers, who competed against 34 contestants in a 21-game roll-off at the Post bowling lanes last month, are Gene Hatfield, Terry Harding, Dave Cowan, Jesse Youngblood, Fred Helmer and John Goltz. Frank Hill will be Redstone's alternate at the tourney.

The bowlers will compete in the team, doubles, singles and all-events categories. A successful finish in the tournament would send Redstone to Army-wide competition at a later date.

Wives Win At Guntersville

Fourteen members of the Officers Wives Golf Group attended the invitational at the Val Monte Country Club in Guntersville in the Tuesday snowstorm last week and eight came home winners.

Marian Deppensmith and Erlene Dials were winners in the first flight; Betsy Pearce and Camille Schlendering in the fourth flight; Midge Clisson and Madeline Quattlebaum in the fifth flight; and Marie Melochek and Connie Sterling in the seventh flight.

The same 14 also went out on their regular playday at the Special Services course. Play was based on throwing out the three worst holes.

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MICOM Girls Sweep

MICOM women's independent slow pitch softball team won four games over the past week-end in stretching their unbeaten skein for the year through six encounters.

Royal Electric of Sheffield provided the opposition on Saturday dropping 12-5 and 14-3 decisions to MICOM. Another Sheffield outfit, Southern Electric, came to town on Sunday and went away on the short end of 1-0 and 3-2 decisions.

The week before MICOM opened their season with a double win over the Arab Piggly Wiggly Store.

Barbara Roberson accounted for the lone run in Sunday's opener with a sacrifice fly that enabled Pat Shipp to score. MICOM was working on a double shutdown in the afterpiece with a 3-0 lead going into the final inning, but had to stave off a Sheffield tally that produced a pair of runs before winning.

Gladys Hill has been the winning pitcher in each of the games with the hitting pretty well divided. On Sunday Glenda Kidd totaled five hits in the two games and Sara Disk collected four.

Ave Maria Grotto Visited Saturday

The Service Club has scheduled a tour to Ave Maria Grotto for Saturday.

The Grotto, located on the Campus of St. Bernard College in a 40 acre park designed to provide a natural setting for 125 miniature reproductions of famous buildings in Jerusalem and the Holy Land, Roman landmarks, Spanish Missions and the famous Shrines of Our Lady, Fatima and Lourdes.

The tour bus leaves the Service Club at 1:30 p.m. A picnic lunch will be served to all who sign up for the tour. For further information contact any Service Club Staff Member at 876-4531.

Civilian Service Cited By Safeguard Honors

Three Command employees and three contractor employees were honored last week for their outstanding service in the advancement of the Army's Safeguard Ballistic Missile Defense System.

Major General R. C. Marshall presented the Decoration for Meritorious Civilian Service to Charles E. Richardson, William O. Turney and Dr. Oswald H. Lange and the Outstanding Civilian Service Medal to Clifford A. Warren, Thurman W. Stephens and Sidney Stark.

Chief Engineer Richardson was recognized for his efforts in directing the configuration management activities of the Command resulted in the transition of Safeguard hardware from development to production. Richardson's management abilities were evident in 1971 while performing as Chairman of the Site Defense Source Selection Evaluation Board.

Turney, Chief of the Contracts Office, was cited for meritorious performance while serving as chief negotiator for the Command. During this period, Turney was responsible for over 2'000 contractual awards valued in excess of \$4.6 billion.

Dr. Lange received his award for meritorious performance of duties while serving as Chief Scientist. He served as the principal advisor to the Commanding General on all matters pertaining to automatic data processing and computer software activities associated with the state-of-the-art ballistic missile defense program. His ac-

Cena Taber and Sherrie Gray collected four hits apiece in the double win over Royal while Pat Bryant clubbed the only home run.



Walt Churchill

Churchill Rules 3-M Golf Play

Walt Churchill and Billy East walked off with top honors for the Maintenance and Materiel Management spring golf tournament staged recently over the Arab Country Club greens.

The former turned in a net 63 for the overall title while the latter was the tournament medalist with a three over 74.

Eighty-five contestants were entered in the meet with special prizes for coming closest to the pin on designated tee shots going to Bob Alves and Gary Phillips.

Flight winners were: East, championship; Bill Tankersley, first; Noel Reed, second; Churchill, third; and Dave Blackwood, fourth. The fifth flight ended in a deadlock with Paul Kennedy and Perry Michaels all even.

complishments took place during the critical period of re-orienting the Sentinel System to meet the overall objectives of the Safeguard ABM system.

The Command cited Warren, of the Bell Telephone Laboratories, for outstanding managerial and technical leadership as the senior weapons system prime contractor manager in research and development for the state-of-the-art Army Ballistic Missile Defense System. His accomplishments were also achieved during the period of re-orienting the Sentinel ABM System to meet the overall objectives of Safeguard deployment.

Stephens, of McDonnell Douglas Astronautics Company, was honored for his outstanding performance as Director of the Nike Zeus Missile Program and later as Vice President-Program Manager of Safeguard-Spartan. Stephens' technical leadership and managerial techniques made possible a smooth, scheduled research, development and production process for a missile sub-system.

Stark, of Martin Marietta Corporation, was presented his award for outstanding achievement in the development of the Sprint Interceptor System for Ballistic Missile Defense.

He organized an outstanding staff, selected capable sub-contractors, made the principal design and testing to production. His efforts were directly responsible for the remarkable performance of the Sprint Interceptor during the Safeguard system tests.

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their work sites Friday. They have 15 calendar days after the date of notice to accept or decline the job offer. An individual who fails to reply is considered to have declined the offer and will be separated as of June 26.

The letters are dated April 26 to provide the required 60 days notice. Delivering them Friday will give the individuals concerned additional time to make a decision.

Two hundred and twenty of the notices are to be issued to individuals now employed in the Army Missile Command's major organizational elements and the SAM-D and LANCE Project Offices. The remaining 164 will go to individuals employed in the Redstone

Arsenal Support Activity, a MICOM element, which is in a separate competitive area.

The realignment of functions includes transfer of 19 individuals in the Maintenance and Procedures Branch of the Redstone Arsenal Support Activity Equipment Management Division to the Missile Command Directorate for Maintenance.

The Civilian Personnel Division will provide counseling for individuals affected by the realignment. In addition, those eligible will be registered in the Department of Defense Program for Stability of Civilian Employment to provide them the opportunity for priority placement as vacancies occur with DOD.

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Civil Service rules. The exact rate of new pay in such cases varies with how long the individual was employed at the higher pay grade and the number of grades he has been reduced.

Civil Service reduction-in-force procedures are being used to protect the rights of individuals affected by the realignment.

The total of 727 persons now affected will decline further as retirements, re-

signations and transfers before June 29 provide additional opportunities to place them.

The Civilian Personnel Division will provide counseling for individuals affected by the realignment. In addition, those eligible are being registered in the Department of Defense Program for Stability of Civilian Employment (DOD Stopper List) to provide them the opportunity for priority placement as vacancies occur within DOD.

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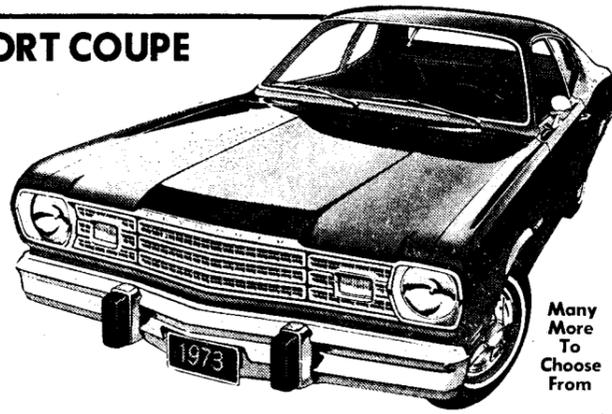
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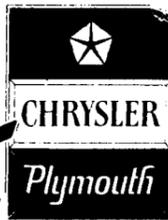
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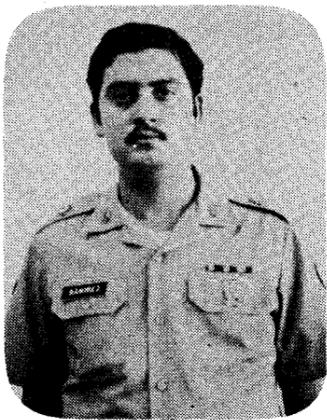


Looks To New Career

Specialist Five Gilbert Ramirez, a nuclear weapons instructor at the Army's Missile and Munitions Center and School, may have found a new career as an environmental engineer. He'll be getting four years of college free, too.

Ramirez, 22, entered the Army shortly after graduating from John F. Kennedy high school in San Antonio, Texas. After basic training, he studied nuclear weapons and was assigned to Redstone as an instructor at MMCS.

Ramirez was informed recently that he was one of 11 applicants selected from a world-wide group of 234 to attend East Tennessee State University at Johnson City. He'll receive his regular pay and allowances while attending college, and his tuition and fees will be paid for by the Army. He will attend the Academy of Health Sciences at Fort Sam Houston for



RAMIREZ

eight weeks, prior to enrolling at East Tennessee.

When he receives his degree, Ramirez has a chance for a commission as a lieutenant in the medical service corps.

Every Veteran Should Have Copy

(ANF)—The Veterans Administration has just published a booklet listing all the benefits available to vets and their dependents. It has everything from G-1 Bill information and facts about home loans to a complete

listing of V-A office and hospital locations.

If you'd like a copy, just send 30 cents to the "Superintendent of Documents, Washington D-C, 20420." Ask for the booklet on benefits for veterans.

Korean Tours Shortened

WASHINGTON (ANF)—Tours of duty in Korea for soldiers without dependents are being shortened from 13 months to 12 months in length.

The 13-month tour was originally designed to allow the soldier one month for the long trip by sea from the United States to Korea and then the return trip home.

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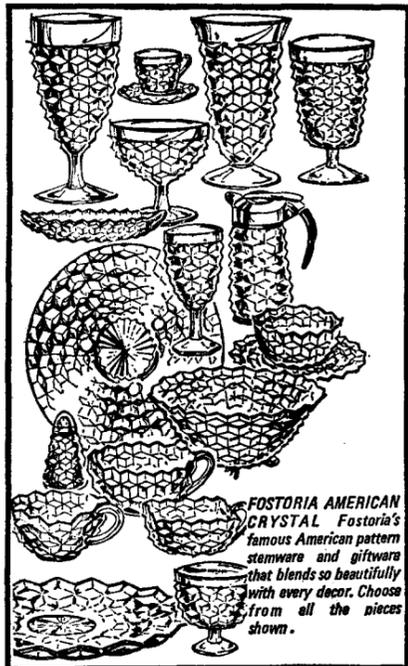
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Holy Week Services Set

Catholics and Protestants are observing the days leading to Easter Sunday, and the Jewish community is preparing for the observance of Passover.

This morning, the day began with a prayer breakfast, at the NCO Mess.

The Catholic community will celebrate Mass at noon today in the Post Chapel. Maundy Thursday a Mass of the Lord's Supper is scheduled in the chapel at 5 p.m. and services of Adoration will be held in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel until midnight. At 6 p.m. confessions will be heard.

Good Friday, Adoration is scheduled from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel and Veneration of the Cross and Holy Communion will be held in the Post Chapel at 5 p.m.

Saturday services begin at 11 p.m. for Blessing of New Fire, Paschal Candle and Holy Mass of the Vigil of Easter. Confessions are scheduled from 4 to 5 p.m. and from 7 to 8 p.m.

On Easter Sunday Mass of our Lord's Resurrection will be at 8:30 a.m., 12:45 and 5 p.m. in the Post Chapel and at 11:30 a.m. in the Chapel Annex.

Tonight at 6 p.m. the Protestant Fellowship of the Chapel will share a potluck supper and hear Lisa Sergio discuss "The Buck Stops With You."

Maundy Thursday the adult choir will present "Service of Darkness" followed by Holy Communion and a candlelight service at 7 p.m.

A general Protestant Worship Service is scheduled at the chapel at 3:30 p.m. There will also be services at 11:30 a.m. and 12:15 p.m. in the Meditation Room of building 5250.

Easter begins with a 6 a.m. Sunrise Service with Dr. Arthur B. Rutledge as the guest speaker. Two other services are scheduled at 10 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. Dr. Rutledge will be the guest speaker at both. Everyone in the community is invited to attend the sunrise service and the cantata.

The day will end with a modern cantata, "No Greater Love" presented by a 46 voice Ecumenical choir.

In the Jewish community, Passover will be celebrated from sunset Monday, April 16, through Tuesday, April 24 at sunset. The first two days and the last day are days of special observation with services scheduled at the Post Chapel at 8:30 a.m.

Home hospitality over Sedar Services will be conducted in the Jewish Community and all single Jewish military personnel are invited to attend these traditional family services. Information can be obtained at the Post Chapel, telephone 876-2409 or by calling Carol Wittenstein (Conservative) 881-9375 or Nancy Eisenstat (Reform) 883-1614.

Family Sederim (ritual meals) are of vital importance in the celebration. Commanders are authorized to excuse Jewish personnel from duty so that required worship obligation and ecclesiastical customs can be observed during the High Holy days.

These carry special family significance and passes or leaves can be authorized. Time should be allowed for the individual to reach his destination before sun-

set on the first day and return to his home station after sunset on the closing day of the festival.

The Huntsville Chapter of the Federal Government Accountants Association will meet tomorrow evening at Michael's Restaurant. Guest speaker at this regular monthly meeting will be Donald L.

Scantlebury, Director of the Division of Financial and General Management Studies for the United States General Accounting Office, His topic will be "Audit Standards."

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Candidates whose names appear below have pledged themselves to work together in unity for the progress of Local 1858. They have chosen to institute the slate method rather than run for election to office independently or attempt to align themselves with assistants or aides. The slate illustrates complete unity and cooperativeness throughout the Executive Committee, which by constitutional amendment is the governing body of Local 1858. A strong Executive Committee makes for a strong Local. This slate of officers will work together in harmony under the leadership of their candidate for President.

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2. Continue action to eliminate retention credits from OPRs.
3. Continue action against "militarizing" civilian jobs.
4. Special attention to needs of WG, PX and NAF workers.
5. Conserve funds to avoid an increase in dues.
6. Regular visits to the work areas.
7. Continue action to BROADEN "CL" base.
8. Concerted effort to promote unity in our local.
9. The membership will be kept informed.
10. Establish a training program for shop stewards.

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- Lester Mitchell Treasurer
- Billy Garrison Secretary
- Leonard Gurley Sgt-At-Arms
- Peter Lazar MICOM VP
- Joe Stewart MMCS VP
- Jessie Drake SAFSCOM VP
- Walter Parks PX VP
- Juanita Lopez NAF VP

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But Pauli's high regard for the system doesn't keep him from thinking about ways to improve it. Recently, a few of them have paid off with cash awards under the Army-wide Suggestion Program.

For example, Pauli suggested a bleed valve on the heat exchanger be rotated so the system could be bled without removing the operator's seat.

More recently, Pauli suggested modifying the battery terminal clamps in the Chapparral battery box to prevent a safety hazard and possible damage to the electrical circuits.

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NAMES IN THE NEWS

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HONOR GRADUATE

Specialist Five Terry A. Wills of Sebastopol, Calif., has been selected Honor Graduate of the Shillelagh Missile Systems Repairman course. Wills achieved a 93.97 percent academic average to lead his classmates during the 16-week course.

Entering the Army in June 1970, he will now remain in the same field as an instructor. Prior to coming to Redstone, Wills was stationed with Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 509th Infantry, 8th Division, in Mainz, Germany.

REENLISTMENT

Specialist Four Fred L. Kendrick, a Vulcan instructor at MMCS, has reenlisted for five more

years in the Army. A native of Calhoun, Ala., Kendrick will now be assigned in Korea. He will be leaving Redstone today.

He is a member of the Star and Vine Society and was an adult business administration advisor at McCord's in Washington, D.C., prior to entering the Army in April 1971.

WO1 APPOINTMENT

Warrant Officer James D. Montgomery of Zwolle, La., received a commission to his present rank April 10. Montgomery, a nuclear weapons instructor at MMCS, will be assigned to Ascom, Korea.

Prior to his assignment at Redstone, he was stationed at the U.S. Army Garrison at Kirtland Air Force Base, New Mexico.



CHANGE OF COMMAND—Major George Schreiber (left), new commander of the German Air Force detachment at MMCS, strolls back to headquarters with Colonel Otto Frank, GAF commander at El Paso, Texas and Lieutenant Colonel Horst Zumkley, MMCS detachment commander since February, 1971.



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Departing German Officer Praises Stay In Huntsville

Major Georg Schreiber has assumed command of the German Air Force Detachment at the Missile and Munitions Center and School. The former Commander, Lieutenant Colonel Horst Zumkley, is returning to Germany to command a Hawk battalion.

Schreiber, a graduate of the German Air Force Academy, is serving his second tour of duty in the United States. He graduated from the Hawk Maintenance Supervisor course at MMCS in 1964.

The new GAF Detachment Commander has served on the Hawk System Staff Directorate for Techniques and Logistics, served as commander of a Hawk unit and held the position of Technical Staff Officer in the German Air Force prior to assuming his new position.

His wife, Sibylle, and their two children, Hans-Georg, 9 and Petra, 8, accompanied Schreiber to Redstone Arsenal.

Prior to his departure, Zumkley expressed personal views of his two and one-half years at Redstone and the Huntsville area.

He was complimentary of the training given German students and felt their technical backgrounds helped them assimilate the material better.

Some of his comments included recommendations that MMCS courses be at least eight months long so married students could be accompanied by their families

Military Strength Declining

(ANF)—The latest military strength figures show a decrease of almost 34,000 active-duty servicemen, in the period from January to February.

The combined U.S. military strength is listed at 2,299,967. Of that number, 845,084 are in the Army.

and that newly arriving married personnel live in different areas of Huntsville so they could learn American customs and something about the area.

Zumkley was especially impressed with the Host Family Program sponsored by the Foreign Liaison Office (FLO). The English language class held at the local Baptist churches for the benefit of the students' wives was a great help to the newcomers.

He felt that the FLO sponsored tours gave the German students and their families an interesting and inexpensive way to see some of the country.

Several facets of American life were particularly interesting to Zumkley during his tour at Redstone. He was impressed by the fact that Americans voluntarily contribute to their individual churches, whereas in Germany when a person is baptized and chooses a church, the State assesses a ten percent tax on the individual to support the church.

While at Redstone, the Zumkley family was involved in community activities. He was surprised at the enthusiastic way Americans participated in community projects as opposed to the German feeling that such projects were the responsibility of the politicians.

Zumkley and his family felt that the people of Huntsville and the surrounding areas were delightful, friendly and hospitable. In fact he stated his intentions to start a Host Family project for Americans in Germany when he reported to his new assignment near Bremerhaven.

He feels this program will continue the ties of friendship he established in this country and repay Americans for their hospitality to him, his family and his countrymen.

Job Openings

(Editor's Note: Published here are Civil Service job openings away from Huntsville. The announcements are received in various formats and all do not give the same information regarding job openings. The Rocket is extracting information from them in order to let its readers know there are openings in certain categories at certain locations. These announcements are posted on the bulletin board in the Civilian Personnel Division, Building T-3159, for interested persons to obtain further information. No telephone calls, please.)

MISSISSIPPI

Announcement No. 73-20 from the Supervisor of Shipbuilding, Conversion and Repair, US Navy, Pascagoula, lists vacancies for the following positions:
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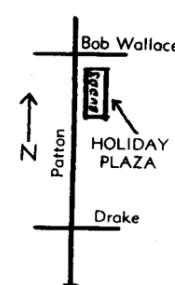
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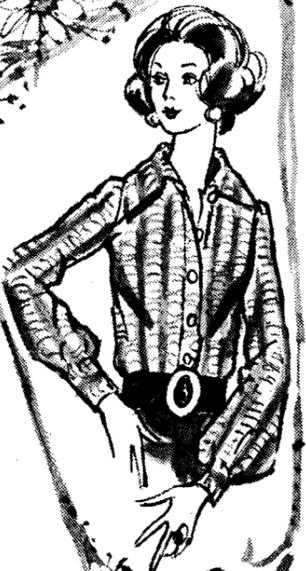
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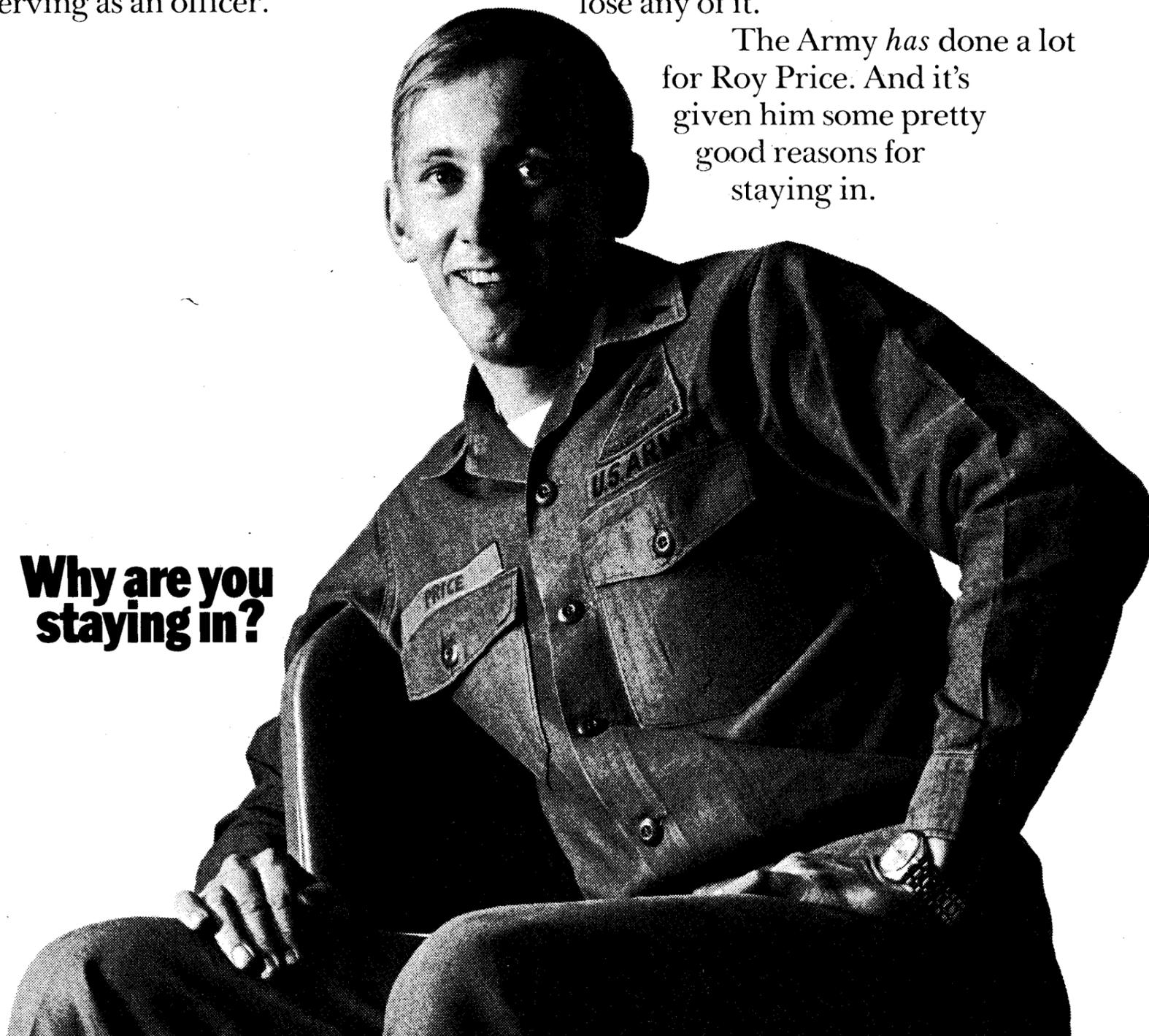
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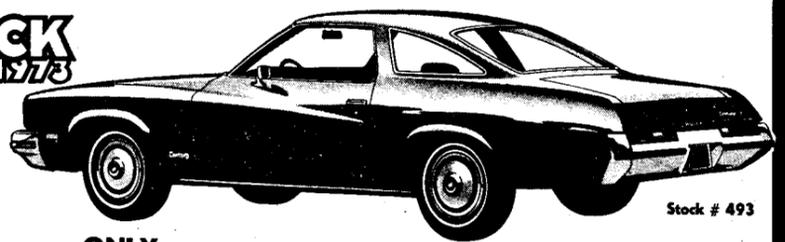
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