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Fuel Crisis — ?

Outlook Ranges From 'No Problem' To 'It's Here...'

As an energy crisis fueled by no fuel looms larger than ever in the southeast, the impact at Redstone ranges from the "What shortage?" response of an Equipment Management official to the PX service station completely out of gasoline from last Wednesday until yesterday.

Supplies of regular and low lead had been exhausted since the 23rd.

Redstone foresees no problems maintaining adequate supplies of fuels, be they ground, aviation or heating, for official requirements according to E. M. Minor, post supply officer.

The PX service station, at the opposite pole, has already been cut by its supplier to less than 50 per cent of contract volume and is planning to suspend Saturday gasoline sales.

Redstone's supply of ground fuels—regular gasoline (820,000 gallons yearly), diesel (150,000 gal/yr), No. 2 fuel (650,000 gal/yr) — is contracted until March 31. Minor does not anticipate the contractor's being unable to supply these amounts.

The contract for aviation gasoline and JP4 (helicopter fuel) expired last week, again no problems are foreseen in finding a supply.

Conversion of steam plants here from coal-fired to natural gas as a clean air measure is creating a need this year for 4.5 million gallons of No. 5 fuel for back-up. The plants will burn oil in some boilers during peak periods if gas demands cannot be met.

Number 5 fuel is one of the last products of the refining process, Minor said, and it appears plentiful, no problems expected in getting it. The contract for the fuel is up for bids, and storage facilities will be ready soon, a half million gallon tank at the steam plant near the commissary and one twice as big at the plant on Rideout Road.

Meanwhile, AMC has sent a query to installations asking each to assess the operational impact of 10 and 20 per cent fuel cutbacks based on FY 73 consumption.



Minor said Redstone can take a 10 per cent cutback in stride, but will suffer considerably from one of 20 per cent.

To conserve fuel post officials have asked that trips and loads be consolidated, post taxis be used and engines shut off when waiting.

Hillard R. Frey, spokesman for the PX service station, reports a surge in fillups in the 6, 8 and 10 gallon range. "People are trying to keep their tanks full at all times", he said. "This takes more help and costs us more to dispense."

Due to short gasoline supplies Frey said the service station is temporarily suspending Saturday gasoline sales; other services, lubrication, oil change and minor repairs, will not be affected.

He won't speculate on whether the situation will get worse or better. The station's next gasoline allocation, for a three month period beginning in September, is—in Frey's words — "anybody's guess".

"I know just what I read in the papers", Frey said of the problem. "Everybody's trying to second-guess this gas shortage deal — I believe it's genuine and the refineries are doing all they can to remedy it".

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Gasoline Burning Workforce

In choosing a topic for emphasis this week the Rocket selected the nationwide fuel shortage, especially as it may or may not pertain to us locally at Redstone.

If there is one, it affects us because we are a workforce of gasoline burners. It's the only way we now have to get from our homes to our places of work.

It wasn't an easy subject because the situation appears to be fluid and changing every day.

Early last week news reports indicated the Government might announce mandatory controls before the week's end.

Late in the week as the Rocket was going to press, one of the major news wire services was carrying the news that three of the major oil companies were either increasing allotments or lifting customer quotas for July.

Regardless of the final outcome we felt our readers would like to know what the situation was as far as can be determined at present for official fuel to keep Redstone in business as usual.

We also thought it would be interesting to know what the workforce thought about the situation and attempted to do a quick survey that would be representative for our widespread commuting area.

We hope the result is information to our readers.



CHANGING TIMES — Cars lined up to get gas at the Post Exchange gas station is getting to be a familiar sight to people on Redstone. A shortage of gasoline has resulted in shorter hours of operation and less gasoline for sale.

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Editorial

Just Another Day?

The Fourth of July . . . is it going to be just another one of the eight holidays which all Federal employees have the good fortune to enjoy annually?

If it's just another day that we get paid for and don't work . . . and if there are enough of us with such an attitude we're in serious trouble.

Tomorrow is our national birthday . . . the day commemorating our birth as an independent nation. It's more securely tied to our national being than other holidays which have religious, historical or sentimental significance.

The annual picnic . . . parade . . . flag-waving speech . . . fish fry on the river bank or favorite racing competition are among the many appropriate ways to celebrate. It's a day to observe individually and independently as we may prefer.

It's also a time to reflect seriously on the past, present and future of our nation. The past is locked into history and there is no point in resenting the present unless we are willing to fight to right the future.

The United States is beset with troubles within and without. In its 198-year history, there hasn't been a time when it wasn't.

Of course the Watergate controversy, the gasoline shortage, pollution problems, dollar crisis, drug abuse and high cost of living concern us because we're living in the now. Things were rough back in 1873, too. The moral fibre, determination and intelligence of Americans willing to work swung the balance and made the difference.

We developed into a nation with the highest standard of living in the world and have provided world leadership for more than half a century.

Where we go from here is still up to us and tomorrow is a good time to think about it, remembering that no nation is stronger than its citizenry.

Happy birthday, Uncle Sam! May you have many, many more.

Fill 'er Up!

When the commentator on the evening news reports people elsewhere in the nation are having trouble buying gas, that's a fuel problem.

When your neighbor has the same trouble, that's a fuel shortage.

When you can't get any, that's a fuel crisis.

Applying that rule of thumb, Redstone Arsenal's gasoline dependent civilian work force reckoned this week that it is somewhere between a fuel problem and a fuel shortage. Random checks with men and women turned up a few, however, who are beginning to show real concern as the nation's fuel woes expanded.

Call it what you will, problem, shortage or crisis, it's getting harder to "Fill'er up" in the Tennessee Valley, a trend that if continued could pose real problems for an installation where the entire work force travels to and from the job by automobile.

COSTING MORE

Some of that travel can account for a lot of miles in a week, miles that are getting more expensive to cover as Arsenal workers discover that they sometimes must buy premium priced gasoline.

For some people, getting the gas they need is mainly an inconvenience. If their regular station is out, they go on down the road to another one.

They aren't too concerned about a shortage—yet.

A few have given thought to what alternatives they have if they can't fill their gas tanks.

Some typical comments:

A. E. Chiles, Materiel Management—"I've heard of people being unable to buy all the gas they wanted in some places, but I haven't had any trouble. I ride in with someone else from Albertville. If gas is rationed in any way people could combine their allotments in one car and all ride together."

CONSIDER MOVING

Keith Finley, Missile Intelligence—"I might have to consider moving to Huntsville if I can't get enough gas to commute from Guntersville. Or I might have to start carpooling. I've noticed some stations I pass are out of gas sometimes."

Sherry Bellew, Legal Office—"I commute 55 miles one way from near Wheeler Dam, and I've heard rumors of shortages, but the station where I trade hasn't been out of gasoline. If gas gets scarcer, I guess people will have to double-up on transportation. I haven't stopped to consider the possibility of moving closer to the arsenal because that necessity hasn't become a reality."

Nell Rudd, Maintenance—"Yes, I have given some thought to a possible gasoline shortage since I travel about 25 to 30 miles to work every day. I live west of Decatur and am in a car pool with three other Arsenal employees. I think that if the situation became critical, a bus system could be run to bring people to their jobs."

C. B. Masters, Flight Operations, comes from northeast of Albertville. "I drive 135 miles round trip and sometimes a station will be out of gas. If it is, I just go down the road a piece until I find somebody who has some," he said.

RATIONS HER OWN

Fay Bomar, MISD—"As for gasoline rationing in the future, all I can say is that I'm way ahead of the government. When prices started going up so fast this spring, I started rationing my own consumption and have had quite a bit of success. By cutting out a lot of needless trips and being more careful about my driving, I have been able to make a tank of gas last three weeks instead of two, as in the past. Joining a car pool would probably help, but I would rather not think of it."

Lawrence Lemley, MICOM Headquarters mail room, commutes from over near the Guntersville Dam. "I'm already in an eight-passenger station wagon carpool," he said "and there really isn't any way we can double up, but we haven't had any trouble getting gas. I suppose if they get to rationing we can all pool our rations and still get to work."

RUNS STATION

Marvin Solomon, RASA Audio Visual Support Center—"Driving from Pulaski, Tenn., is about 38 miles each way. I'm not in a carpool but I don't mind the drive. I think there is definitely a gasoline shortage but the question is where it originates. I run a service station myself and I know that my competitors have been rationed already. Luckily, I have not been affected yet. Most people don't think there is really a shortage. I can't say whether or not there is a shortage of oil, but one thing is for certain, it is a fact that some distributors are being rationed and if they can't get the gas to the public then there is a shortage no matter where the hold up is."

Ellen J. Ingram, Plans and Analysis, commutes from Fayetteville in a two-person carpool. "I've given some thought to it," she said, "but thus far we've had no trouble getting gas at our regular station. If a crisis actually develops, I am sure that our first step will be to get more people in the carpool. I have heard that in our county stations of one of the major oil companies are closing. I don't know whether or not this is true and what it means if it is."

DISLIKES CARPOOLS

Annie Mefford, also Plans and Analysis, drives alone daily from the Grant area, about 20 miles one way. "I don't like carpools," she said and will go into one as a last ditch measure to get to work. I have had no trouble getting gas at my regular station though I've heard of a station at New Hope closing early and some others running out of one kind of gas or another."

J. C. Barnard, Maintenance—"I have not encountered any problem yet. Some stations I've visited have been out of regular gasoline but since I use premium, this did not affect me personally. I'm in a carpool from Arab with three other people and we travel 30 miles each way every day. I suppose if it became a real problem I would purchase a smaller car with better gas mileage. This is a question I'm interested in because I'm presently working on a research paper dealing with the gasoline situation worldwide. I believe that there is a definite shortage of crude oil available and not just a conspiracy among the major oil companies."

LONG DRIVE

Jimmy Walker, Internal Security—"I travel about 180 miles to and from work every day from Gadsden. This includes picking up and delivering others in my carpool. We have five carpool members so each person drives only one day a week. I haven't run into any gas shortages so far and have really given no thought to what I'd do in an emergency."

Emily Whitman, Propulsion, commutes from Albertville. "We haven't had any trouble," she said. "I've heard of some stations closing one day a week, and one night the station where I would ordinarily get gas was closed early, but I went to another station."

Sam Bagley, Maintenance—"My regular station, has been out of gas several times, but I could always get some somewhere else. I haven't been worried. I drive a small car and get good gas mileage. It wouldn't be convenient for me to car pool as I live on a farm out from Fayetteville. Guess I'd have to retire if I couldn't get gas for my car."

In September

2.75 Rocket System Coming To Redstone

The project office managing the 2.75-inch rocket system will be transferred to Redstone Arsenal from its present location at Picatinny Arsenal in New Jersey. Major General Edwin I. Donley said relocation of the new mission is tentatively scheduled for September 1.

VOLUNTEERS WANTED

The Missile Command is seeking a sponsor for each civilian employee of the 2.75 Rocket Project Office who chooses to transfer to Redstone.

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Colonel Frank Ragano, project manager for the rocket system, said his staff includes 45 employees — 41 civilians, most professionals

such as engineers and cost analysts — and four military, with an annual payroll of \$850,000. John Harry is his civilian deputy.

"Most of the people assigned to the project have indicated they will make the move to Alabama," Ragano said. "When we learned we were being moved from Picatinny, we were happy to hear our new location would be Redstone."

Donley said MICOM will have not only research, development, procurement, and life-cycle management responsibility for the Army but responsibility for procurement, production and delivery of all 2.75-inch rocket components for the Navy, Air Force and Marine Corps as well. "We're the only Army aerial rocket" said Ragano, "and we've adapted the system to both fixed and rotary wing aircraft. The system was used extensively in Vietnam in an air-to-ground role."

"We have several exploratory development programs underway to extend the effectiveness of the weapon system well into the 80s," Ragano said.

More than 30,000,000 rockets have been produced since the program started in 1965, Ragano said.

MICOM Has New CSM



Arthur R. Senkewich is the new Command Sergeant Major for the Missile Command replacing CSM Charles A. Havner who completed his tour of duty and has been reassigned to Germany.

The new Command Sergeant Major is a veteran of 25 years service with four tours of duty in Vietnam and three tours in Korea.

In addition to his overseas duty,

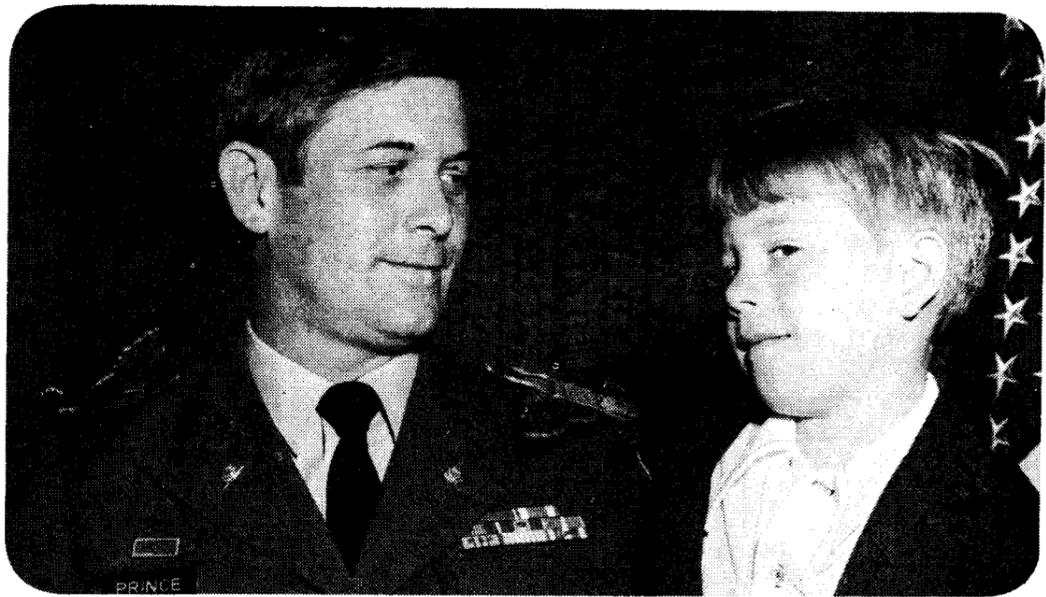
Senkewich served at Fort Dix, N.J.; Fort Campbell, Ky.; Fort Bragg, N.C.; Fort Devens, Mass.; and Fort Richardson, Alaska.

Prior to his assignment to Redstone, Senkewich was CSM for the 3rd Brigade, 82nd Airborne Division, Fort Bragg.

During his military career Senkewich has been awarded the Bronze Star with one oak leaf cluster and the Air Medal for service in Vietnam, the Meritorious Service medal and the Army Commendation Medal with two oak leaf clusters.

In his off-duty time he is active as a private pilot, plays golf, does sport parachuting, fishing and scuba diving.

The Senkewiches have a son, David Paul, who is a captain in the Air Force.



WHICH ONE? — Who knows where to look when there's more than one birdie? So eight-year-old John Prince has every right to be puzzled.....the camera? Or the oversized eagles on dad's shoulder? Occasion for the happy dilemma was the recent promotion to colonel of Ivan R. Prince, Director for Materiel Management.

It's Huntsville Two-To-One

A few of the 12,000 civilians directly employed by the several Army commands at Redstone Arsenal and in Huntsville are working and living in Europe and Asia as well as widely scattered locations in the United States, but almost two thirds of those wage earners live in Huntsville.

A computer tabulation made in mid-May of the zip codes of home addresses of the 11,953 men and women Army employees then being paid by the Redstone Arsenal Finance Office recorded 7,579 — about 62 percent — with Huntsville addresses.

Athens (502) ranked second, Arab (400) third and Decatur (397) fourth.

Three hundred and thirty one

Army civilian employees listed Madison as their home, enough to rank that community fifth in concentration to Army-employed residents. Fayetteville, Tenn., (245) was sixth.

Other communities throughout the Tennessee Valley commuting area of Redstone with more than 10 Army-employed residents include:

Guntersville (191), Hartselle (133), Lacey's Springs (100), Albertville (97), Ardmore (91), Union Grove (89), Owens Cross

Roads (86), Stevenson (84), New Hope (81), Grant (76), Scottsboro (69), Harvest (67), Gurley (63), New Market (61), Somerville (61), Hazel Green (58), and Cullman (41).

Others are: Brownsboro (39), Valhermoso Springs (38), Rogersville (38), Taft, Tenn. (29), Boaz (24), Elkmont (23), Pulaski, Tenn. (23), Moulton (21), Flintville, Tenn. (17), Meridianville (17), Elora, Tenn. (15), Trinity (14), Huntland, Tenn. (11), Falkville (10), and Tanner (10).

Chapter Size About The Same

This year's membership campaign for the Tennessee Valley Chapter, Association of the U. S. Army, should give the chapter about the same membership as last year, possibly a little better.

W. C. Smith, chapter president, said the campaign was closed and that there had been better than 1,000 new members or renewals reported... "Since many of the members renew directly to the National AUSA Headquarters in Washington, you really can't tell what our membership will be until we get computer runs in a couple of months.

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

The speaker will be Major General Allen M. Burdett, Jr., Commanding General of the U.S. Army Aviation Center at Fort Rucker.

Tickets are still available.

"In my opinion we will maintain, or exceed, the present membership of about 2,800," Smith said.

"All of our Army organizations have been experiencing personnel turbulence during the campaign and the fact that membership has held up as well as it has is remarkable.

"I give credit to the many tireless workers who have been so loyal to the professional organization whose mission is to support the Army.

"The Missile Command especially did a splendid job this year showing a total membership well above 1600."



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Pinch Already Being Felt

At MMCS, a telephone survey among employees who drive more than 20 miles one way showed six in car pools and three driving solo.

Bobby Cornelius of Instructional Technology lives in Guntersville, and he used to drive to work by himself.

"The independent station I buy from used to pump 40 thousand gallons a month. He says his distributors have cut him in half. He used to be open seven days a week, but now he's closed Sunday. In the past few months, the price has gone up about a nickle a gallon for regular on the self-service pumps," he said.

Cornelius already drives an economy car, but adds, "I'm going to start car pooling. It's better to make arrangements now than be caught short."

Barbara Marsh drives her economy car between MMCS and Greenbriar, about 12 miles east of

Decatur.

"It seems I can't get regular gas from independent dealers as much as usual. Most of them in my home area have run out," she said.

But Barbara keeps hunting until she finds regular pump with gas in it.

She says she'll have to keep driving to work solo.

"I want to join a car pool, but I can't find one in the Greenbriar area," she said.

To cut down on fuel consumption, her husband rides his motorcycle to work whenever he can. Barbara has cut down on her shopping trips to Decatur.

Douglas Moore, of Grant, rides 35 miles from Gunter's Mountain to his job in the Missile ND Electronics Department. He rides with five other employees in one station wagon, and the total round trip mileage including passenger pickup and delivery adds up to about 90

miles a day.

"We have one driver in our car pool, and the rest of us chip in," he said.

"Our driver says he's had no problem getting gas at the usual prices at a national chain station," he added.

Charles Marshall of M&E's electronics division rides in a car pool with four others from the Scottsboro area, 50 miles one-way. Pickup and delivery of the pool's two NASA employees adds ten miles a day.

"So far, we haven't had any problem. We can gas up anywhere along the way, at Gurley, Paint Rock or Rim Rock. I usually get my gas from my uncle, who runs a chain station. He says he has no problems so far, but if he sells more gas than he's pumping now he expects trouble," Marshall said.

Marshall reported one station who price went from 36.9 cents a gallon to 42.9 over a four-day period. He says other stations have raised prices three or four cents a gallon.

Roberta King of Arab works in Academic Support rides with three persons in a pool for the 35 miles one way.

"We've discussed the gasoline shortage among ourselves going back and forth. It hasn't affected us yet, and we hope it doesn't," she said.

She admitted that no one in the group has made any definite plans, though one person jokingly suggested they buy gas-sipping motorcycles.

Her supervisor views the situation more seriously. He says being out of gas is no excuse for not coming to work.

"Leave wouldn't last too long," said James Martin, a RASA employee who supervises equipment management for MMCS.

Martin drives from his home in Moulton to Decatur, where he and a friend meet and ride together to Redstone. Martin's daily round-trip mileage is about 90 miles.

"At the end of last month, my usual station ran out of gas for five days. I had to go somewhere else. I'll buy it wherever I can get it," he added.

Martin said the gas shortage would become a threat to him "if a majority of stations ran out. As long as you can get gas, it's not a threat."

Albert W. Ogletree of Academic Support drives from the Arab-Guntersville area alone each day, at least right now.

"The place where I usually buy doesn't have any gas. They've been out since last Tuesday," Ogletree said.

"I have what's in my tank, and that's it," he added.

He used to drive his V-8, but now he's driving his second car, a six-holer that had a full tank. He says he may start driving his daughter's four-banger soon.

"I'd like to join a pool, but I start work at 7 a.m. and it's hard to find an early pool in my area. If I started at 8, it wouldn't be such a problem," he said.

Mary Wright, also of Academic Support, is part of a four-person pool from Decatur. They want a fifth member.

"We've talked about the shortage and about smaller cars, but that wouldn't help in a car pool with five people—it would be too crowded," she said.

One member of her car pool has reported he couldn't get regular gas at one station. The station operator told the member that he expected car owners who burn

regular gas might have a problem.

Wesley Ruth of Nike Hipar gets 18 miles per gallon on his standard V-8 with air conditioning and automatic shift.

"I always get my gas at the same place, run by a bowling buddy. I've bought from him for 11 years," Ruth said. Since Ruth arrives at work around 6:30 and leaves after 3:30, he's able to find only one rider to go with him.

Along the route to his Athens home, Wesley Ruth has seen some changes.

"A number of off-brand stations have taken pumps out and boarded up their glass—they're out of business. One grocery store that used to sell gas now has the pumps roped off. Now he's selling used cars instead," he said.

Ruth says he would form a larger car pool at some point. What point?

"When I have to try more than two stations or rationing starts, I'll start looking for more riders," he said.

Specialist Six Bill Lightner of Nike Hipar lives on post.

"That's because of the shortage and price increases. My Mercury uses too much."

He says he's already run into stations with a maximum quota of gas for each customer. He says other stations with or without quotas in Huntsville have closed their pumps or shortened gasoline sales hours.

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Stronger Support For Council

If members of the MMCS Junior Officer Council seemed excited this week, it might be due to indications of stronger support of their organization from command and staff elements.

"We've asked for permission to hold a JOC meeting for all company-grade officers at MMCS to be held during duty hours, and it's been granted," said Captain Jerry Walsh, commander of the 4th ETC and vice-chairman of the council.

In a recent letter to each MMCS company grade officer, Colonel Thomas J. McDonald, Commandant, expressed support of the JOC and its objectives.

He called participation in the JOC a professional obligation, "... to take an interest in your organization and the U.S. Army in an effort to improve their operation and the accomplishment of their mission."

The purpose of the July 10 meeting, scheduled for 2:30 p.m. in the Safeguard room of the Officers Open Mess, is to discuss the JOC in general terms and solicit input from the junior officers at MMCS.

"JOC's at my previous assignments weren't very visible,

and their results often weren't impressive," Davis said.

A recent Department of the Army study showed that decreasing retention rates among young officers were apparently due to their being turned off by things they felt they couldn't discuss with persons in authority, Davis explained.

The stated purpose of JOC's, outlined in the regulation, is to promote retention of "quality junior officers" through a three-pronged approach.

First, the JOC is designed to provide an additional means of communication with the commander and staff.

"A lot of officers would hesitate before telling the boss, 'I don't like this policy' or questioning the way things are done," Walsh said.

In other cases, a young officer may dislike a product or service, but not enough to invest a lot of time seeking satisfaction on a matter that may be a freak occurrence. He may not even be aware if the problem is recurrent or widespread, Walsh said.

The JOC can serve as a collection point of case histories, and present them while preserving anonymity of the complainants, he said.

The MMCS council has already taken action in a number of areas, but the word "action" does not necessarily mean an answer that makes everyone happy.

Some actions by the JOC in recent months relate to the Officers Club, Rocket Nursery and PX, though the council doesn't confine itself to consumer affairs. Another area includes the day-to-day events in a young officer's life — like the duty roster.

Recently, MMCS officers with questions about the roster were shown how it works and the way it's administered. The object of that meeting was to give each one a better understanding of why he pulls the duty when he does.

Davis said he hopes the July 10 meeting will give the young officers a better understanding of the JOC itself. With that better understanding, they may use the JOC more.

Safeguard Deputy Promoted

Colonel Byard W. Rife of the Safeguard System Command was promoted to his present rank June 22. Brigadier General Bates C. Burnell, Commanding General was assisted by Mrs. Rife in pinning the "eagles" on the Logistics Management Directorate deputy.

Before coming to his present position, Rife was Comptroller of

the former Safeguard Logistics Command.

The Montanan entered the service in 1953 after being commissioned a second lieutenant from the ROTC program at Montana State University where he earned his BS degree in business administration. Rife also has an MBA from Syracuse University and has attended the U. S. Army Command and General Staff College.

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Instructor Commended

Skeggs Gilchrist, an instructor in the Missile School's Pershing Weapons System, was recently presented a letter of commendation in ceremonies held in the German Air Force Liaison Office.

Gilchrist had been mentioned several times in the end-of-course critique by the allied students as an outstanding instructor.

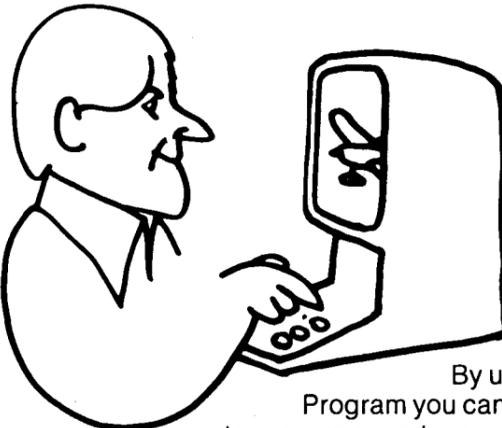
In recent ballistic missile maintenance course consisting of six German Air Force warrant officers. The students unanimously decided to honor Gilchrist for his outstanding contributions to their class, and Major Georg Schreiber, GAF detachment commander, concurred.

Channel 31 (WAAY-TV) covered the ceremony, aired the day of the class graduation.

The combined academic average for the class was 99.1 percent with the honor student attaining an average of 99.49 percent.



GETS AWARD — Shelba Brown has won the Certificate of Achievement at the Missile Command. Major General I. Donley presented the award recently. She was cited as MICOM's nominee and one of four finalists in government-wide competition for the Army's Federal Woman's Award. The certificate recognized her for outstanding scientific achievements as a chemist in the Missile Research, Development and Engineering Laboratory.



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New Facility Enhances MICOM Mission

Clean surroundings and precision work characterize the new Prototype Fabrication Facility, an addition to the Research Development and

Engineering Laboratory. Major General Edwin I. Donley and Dr. John L. McDaniel, Director of RD&E will preside at a ribbon cutting ceremony next week to

formally dedicate the facility.

Located in the McMorrow Laboratories, Building 5400, the new addition is comprised of a collection of sophisticated equipment integrated with environmental test, dynamic test and clean room complexes.

The main purpose of the facility is to support research and development activities. In addition, support will be given to the Engineering Service Division by fabricating and redesigning small quantities of supply parts that are not available through normal supply channels and are no longer in production.

Seven basic areas make up the facility including design, printed circuit fabrication, thick film fabrication, metal photo fabrication, chemical milling, precision fabrication and final assembly and test.

Personnel range from circuit designers with a knowledge of micro-electronic technologies to layout specialists experienced in translating circuits and other sketches into precise layouts.

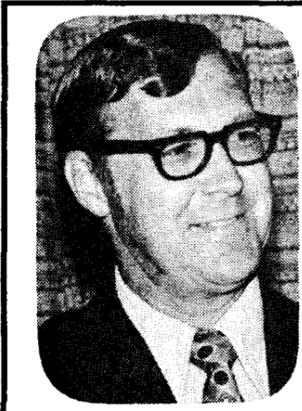
Due to the great size reduction of the microcircuits, much of the work in the thick film area is done under microscopes.

Careful attention is given to the collection of detailed information in every area for the formulation of design standards to be used on future projects.

Overall, the new facility should prove a valuable asset in both research and development.



LOOK AGAIN!— Richard Wootten takes a closer look at the minute make up of a microcircuit fabricated in the RD&E facility.



HONORED — Millard Jernigan, Configuration Management Officer with the Army Metrology and Calibration Center, has received the Meritorious Civilian Service Award. He got the award recently for "...meritorious performance of duty while serving as Assistant Director for Calibration at Pirmasens Army Depot in Europe from 1969 to 1972." Major General Edwin I. Donley presented the award.

Management Improvements Net Individual and Unit Awards

Two individuals and two organizational elements of the Safeguard System Command have received the Department of the Army's Management Improvement Awards from Lieutenant General Walter P. Leber, Safeguard System Manager.

Receiving awards for Exceptional Performance during FY 1972 were E. A. R. Marshall and Charlie J. Mohling, both of the Site Activation Directorate. The unit recognitions went to the Production and Logistics Directorate and the Training Division of the Site Activation Directorate.

Marshall inspired exceptional Cost Reduction Program Performance among his associates with effective planning and management practice while heading Value Engineering Office. His principal strategy was to promote continuous system improvements by personnel at all levels through coordination with the Weapon System Contractor and other support agencies. Through Marshall's initiatives and motivational procedures, Directorate personnel netted some \$23,900,700 in total savings.

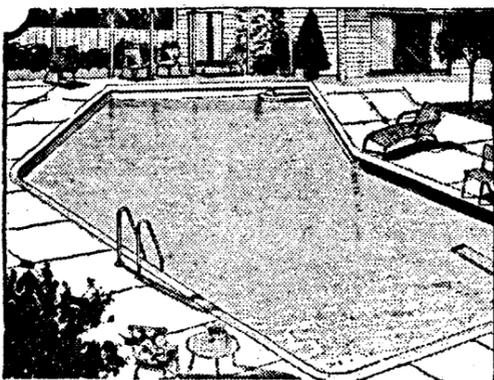
Mohling was the coordinator from inception through imple-

mentation of a joint Government/Contractor Value Engineering effort on radar testing at tactical sites. This joint VE effort involved investigating possible alternatives to the planned orbiting of a special satellite for Safeguard radar testing.

It was determined that the necessary radar testing could be accomplished using existing methods and satellites for the Safeguard system. The savings amounted to \$7,560,000.

Multimillion dollar savings were achieved by the Production and Logistics Directorate in the areas of breakout and competitive procurement of complex hardware items. One-hundred, eleven, validated cost reduction actions were reported in FY 1972 with an attendant saving equal to 3.9 percent of the total obligational authority.

The savings achieved in the Training Division through management improvement actions during FY-72 totaled \$12,733,500. This represents one of the all-time high achievements for a single Safeguard System Command element, both in terms of the number of persons participating and in dollars saved.



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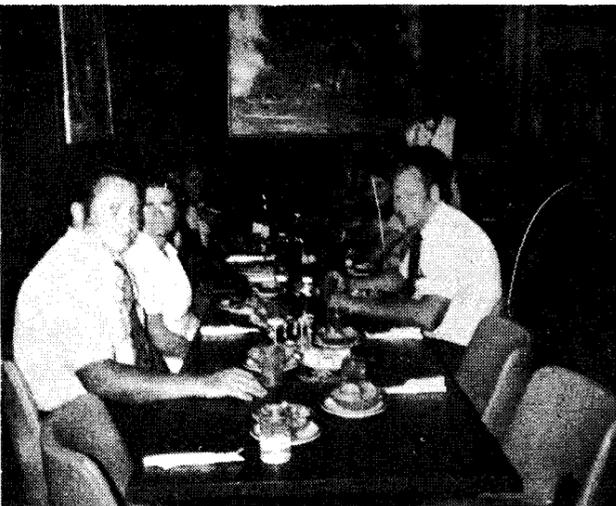


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Bright Future Through Solid Mission

Colonel James Miller, whose career goes back to German scientists and the beginning of the Army's missile and rocket programs, retired from active Army service last week.

"I feel lucky to have had the opportunities that have been given me — and the chance to be a part of missile development within the Army," said Miller who plans to make his retirement home in Huntsville.

Pausing to reflect on three decades of Army service, the former MICOM Chief of Staff said his greatest satisfaction stems from "...the wide variety of jobs I've had in missile research and development."

Missiles have come of age in the Army, Miller said, and MICOM's greatest contribution, in his opinion, was putting those guided missiles into this country's defense arsenal.

BRIGHT FUTURE

"The need for missile hardware

is growing significantly," Miller said. "For that reason, MICOM's mission is solid—and well established—and its future could not be brighter."

Spending nearly 11 years of his Army career at Redstone, Miller's first assignment was as Executive Officer of the Ordnance Research and Development Office at Fort Bliss the group that supervised the efforts of German scientists who were brought to the United States after World War II. He came to Redstone with that group in 1950.

"In those days we were trying things for the first time," Miller said explaining the difference between then and now. "We were playing it by ear, and we made some mistakes. But those mistakes subsequently gave us the experience we needed."

"Show me a man who has experience — and I'll show you a man who has made mistakes."

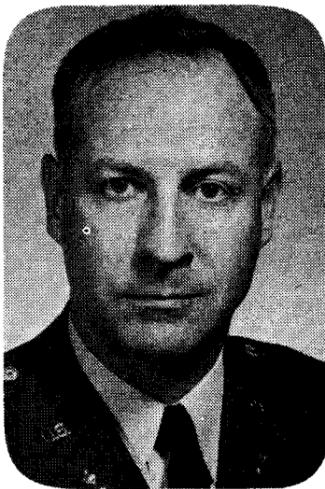
"As we learned, however, we tried to eliminate future mistakes

and we began to develop the ideas of management which, obviously, serve us so well today — We've become almost institutionalized, systematized so the speak, and today we plan the complete missile life cycle, from design to logistics support."

GROUND FLOOR

"I like to think I saw the potential that loomed on the horizon with missiles and I tried to create opportunities to get in on the ground floor," he said. That was one of the reasons, he explained, he went to school from 1946-48 to get his master's degree in mechanical engineering.

During his second job at Redstone, Miller was Chief of Future Missile Systems Division, Research and Development Directorate.



MILLER

"I think we laid the groundwork at that time for developing concepts, and future hardware needs, that the Army uses today," Miller said.

His longest job here was also his third assignment—SAM-D project Manager.

"It's a sense of satisfaction to see SAM-D now in engineering development. It's the Army's largest R&D project and, I think, one of the most vital requirements Army has today."

How does today's Army differ from yesterday's?

"I think the Army has become a lot more sensitive to the needs of individuals—as well as groups," he said.

"The Army is concerned about its peacetime role and its public image. It wants the public to have confidence in its aims and capabilities.

"After all," Miller concluded, "Without that support, the Army could not exist."

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NATIONAL LEAGUE

Wet grounds forced postponement of Thursday's games, so National League activity was reduced to four games played on Tuesday.

Company A Massacred the 8th ETC, 19-5, in Tuesday's first game on Field Two. James Bryant had three hits for the winners, and winning pitcher Cal Done hit a three-run homerun and an additional solo shot. Roy Lester also homered for the A's who scored in every inning, including a nine-run fifth inning.

The 100th Ordnance avoided an upset by P&P with a four-run rally in the seventh inning to gain a 13-12 victory. Don Ekelund provided the heroics by driving in the tying and winning runs with a one-out triple in the final frame. He also had two other hits for the evening. Frank Smith, Bruno Wargo and Chris Van Asche added two hits apiece for the 100th. Jeff Skelton and Joe Paddock homered for P&P, while Jack Paul had two hits and three RBIs.

Homeruns by Jim Crowson and Rich Northcraft powered MICOM I to an 11-3 win over the 95th Calibration Company. The winners scored three times in the first inning, then added five more runs in the third. Bob Davidson had three hits for the 95th Cal.

In Tuesday's final action, the Marines whipped the 6th ETC, 13-2. Don Fannin, James Stewart and Frank Paoli had two hits

each for the Marines. Winning Pitcher James Warren allowed just two hits.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Only four games were played in the American League last week, as Wednesday's four contests were rained out. Winners on Monday were the 1st ETC, the MPs, MICOM II, and Company C.

The 1st ETC beat the 4th ETC, 11-5, to record their third win of the year. Jeff Sackett led the winners with three hits and Dave Siegenthaler drove in four runs with two homeruns. Ron Ottenbacher, Dan Biron, and Stan Brumm each added two hits for the 1st. Larry Craycraft and Steve Viele collected three hits apiece for the 4th ETC.

The MPs maintained their hold on second place by beating the 9th ETC, 9-2. Gray Morgan contributed three singles and John Thomas had two hits, as Ernie Williams held the 9th to five hits.

MICOM II was at it again Monday with a 13-3 victory over Safeguard. The winners ran their season homerun total to 46 (the other 15 teams in both leagues have 66) by cracking out six more roundtrippers. Pitcher Ron Lockwood led MICOM with two homeruns and a double, while Jerry Thomas, Rick Newman, Mike Spry and Max Lawson also homered. Spry and Lockwood each drove in three runs.

For those that enjoy low-scoring games, Company C and the Meddacs put on a great show be-

STANDINGS

American League		
	W	L
MICOM II	14	0
MPs	10	4
Company C	9	5
Meddac	7	7
Safeguard	6	8
9th ETC	4	10
4th ETC	3	11
1st ETC	3	11
National League		
	W	L
MICOM I	13	2
Company A	13	2
100th Ord	7	5
Marines	6	6
8th ETC	5	8
6th ETC	4	9
95th Cal	3	11
P&P	2	10

hind the pitching of C's Fred Helmer and the Meddacs' Terry Harding. Neither pitcher allowed a hit until the fourth inning, and the only run scored in the fifth inning when Tiny Parish singled, moved to second and third on two sacrifices and came home on a wild pitch to give Company C a 1-0 victory.



Terry Harding of the Meddacs delivers pitch to Fred Person of the 1st ETC. Harding has boosted the Meddacs into playoff contention.

Chess Tourney

The Huntsville Chess Club's next tournament starts Monday. It is open to all comers, rated and unrated. The entry fee is \$2.00 and there will be prizes. Playing is from six to ten p.m. at the Recreation Center, Big Springs Park. For details, call George Rudd, tournament director, at 876-5120 or 859-1014.

Clisson Takes Nassau With 68

Nassau was the name of the game on playday for the Officers Wives Golf Group last week.

Playing with handicap, Midge Clisson scored low for the course with a 68; Billy Shuput and Mary Sutherland tied with 36s on the

front nine; Ina Clark was low with 32 on the back 9.

Members of the group played in the Florence Country Club Invitational Tournament and Ina Clark placed second in the fourth flight. Marion Deppensmith scored low putts.

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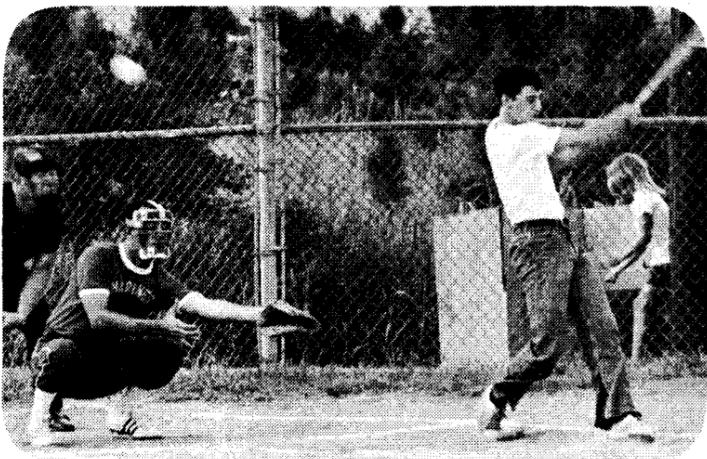
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Larry Sunday of the 95th Calibration Company fouls off a pitch against the Marines. Sunday was one of the top hitters in the National League after last week's action.

All-Stars Meet Friday

The National League and American League will face each other at 6 p.m. Friday in a softball All-Star game. Sixteen men were selected to fill each team.

The unit-level softball league standings are reflected in the two honor squads. MICOM I and MICOM II have six players on the teams, while Company A has five representatives.

Two players selected will be unable to play. They are John Goltz of MICOM I for the National League, and Rick Newman of MICOM II in the American League. Newman injured his shoulder recently and may be out of action until the league playoffs.

Each team includes three top pitchers. The National League will send Cal Done and Marvin Walker of Company A and Sid Roberts of MICOM I to the mound, while the American League will counter with Ron Lockwood of MICOM II, Fred Helmer of Company C and Terry Harding of the Meddacs.

W. A. Stevens will coach the Nationals, while Lynn Ash handles the Americans.

The All-Star rosters include:

American League

Lynn Ash	MICOM II
Manny Chavez	Meddac
Terry Harding	Meddac
Fred Helmer	Company C
Max Lawson	MICOM II
Ron Lockwood	MICOM II
Ron Ottenbacher	1st ETC
Mike Oury	Company C
Jim Porter	Safeguard
Mike Spry	MICOM II
Harry Thomas	MPs
Jerry Thomas	MICOM II
John Thomas	MPs
Don Watson	MICOM II
Ernie Williams	MPs
Steve Venable	4th ETC

National League

Mark Bennett	8th ETC
Gerry Calmes	8th ETC
Quentin Diggs	Company A
Jim Crowson	MICOM I
Quentin Diggs	Company A
Cal Done	Company A
Don Fannin	Marines
Walt Fuller	MICOM I
Gene Howey	MICOM I
Charlie Miller	Company A
Rich Northcraft	MICOM I
Stan Przedzicki	6th ETC
Sid Roberts	MICOM I
W. A. Stevens	MICOM I
Larry Sunday	95th Cal
Marvin Walker	Company A
Marvin Williams	Company A

Rod and Rake Opening Set

Re-opening the newly furnished Rod and Rake on post July 7 is scheduled by the Post Exchange employees and the military community at 10 a.m.

New lighting, bright, movable display racks five deep for wall clocks and picture frames, and the addition of a luggage department, are some of the additions and merchandising updating pointed out by Hillard R. Frey, Post Exchange Manager.

Merchandise will be easy to see on the center aisle display racks holding housewares, appliances, lamps and bric-a-brac.

The hardware department is complete, including a varied supply of contact paper, paints and tools.

The store also carries a basic supply of drugs, snacks and beverages. It does not handle plants but has supplies for those who cultivate them and lawn and garden equipment.

The opening day sale will include \$20,000 of special discount merchandise.

One of the best stocked departments is the sporting goods featuring items for fishermen, archers, and other sportsmen.

Another Reminder

(ANF) — Retired servicemen are being reminded about the deadline on their option for the Survivor Benefit Plan. They have until September 20 to enroll in the program.

The plan pays a serviceman's survivors up to 55 per cent of his retired pay. When Congress enacted the new plan last year, it gave then-retired servicemen a period of one year to sign up for the program.

Post Theatre

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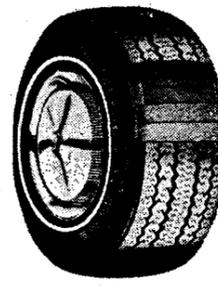
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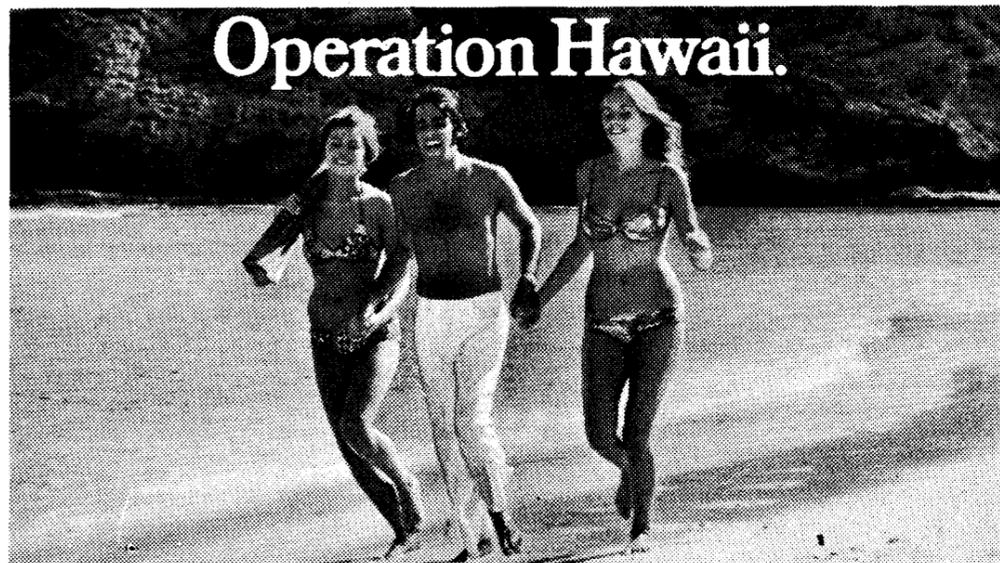
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NEWCOMER

New Commander

There's a new commanding officer at Company B, School Brigade. He's Captain Michael A. Jurca, who moves to his new position from the munitions department of the special ammo division, where he was branch chief. Jurca is a 1969 graduate of Canisius College in Buffalo, N.Y., and holds a Bachelor of Science degree in physics.

SP5 Kenneth D. Ryals, of Company B, was presented an achievement award last week as outstanding instructor in the EOD division, where he works as a demolition instructor. Ryals is a 1967 graduate of Ft. Campbell (Ky.) High School and received a degree in structural design from Florida Tech in 1971.



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Promotions

Promoted to Major last week was Victor F. Burrell, from Whitmire, S.C. Burrell is chief of the missile team in the career development department. He has received his Bachelor of Science degree in industrial engineering from Clemson and his Master's degree in the same field from the University of Alabama.

David E. Lamb and Lyndall G. Miles, both of Company C, were promoted to PFC. Lamb, from Rocky River, Ohio, works as a personnel specialist at military personnel. He is a 1971 graduate of Olmsted Falls (Ohio) High School and had completed one year at Mount Union College in Alliance, Ohio, before reluctantly entering the Army last August.

PFC Miles is a native of Coalgate, Okla., and is a 1970 graduate of Olney High School there. Miles attended East Central State College, in Ada, Okla., before entering the Army. He works as a clerk/typist/mailman at Company C.



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Honor Graduate
PFC Donald J. Hicks was honor graduate of his Nike hipar and repair class with an 88.01

class average. He hails from Sweetwater, Tex., and is a 1971 graduate of the high school there.

Honor graduate of his Methods of Instruction class last week was Captain Tommy D. Woods, of Sterling, Okla. Woods received his Bachelor of Science degree

from the University of Oklahoma in 1966 and is assigned to the career development division here. His previous assignment was at the Kwajalein Missile Range.

New Arrivals

Incoming personnel at MMCS this week include SP6 Wesley E. Manship, an instructor assigned to Company B whose last assign-

ment was in Germany.

Reporting in from Okinawa last week was SP6 Douglas R. Pruitt, of Bartley, W. Va. A 1965 graduate of Big Creek High School in War, W. Va., Pruitt works in the Hawk CW radar branch.

A new Nike radar computer repairman here is SSG Arthur W. Newcomer, a native of Williamsport, Pa. He's a 1958 gradu-

ate of Williamsport High School and was previously assigned to the 44th Ordnance Company in Okinawa.

Also arriving here is SFC Alvin Rose, an EOD supervisor assigned to Company B. His last assignment was just down the road at Ft. McClellan. Rose is a 1962 graduate of Carver High School in New Orleans, La.



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Local Chapter Rated Best

The Tennessee Valley Chapter has just been named the most outstanding chapter for 1973 among members, internationally, of the Society for Logistics Engineers (SOLE).

Lieutenant Colonel Daniel S. Fugit, president of the local chapter, got a letter last week from SOLE international headquarters in Los Angeles notifying him of the selection.

The letter said the Tennessee Valley Chapter will receive the Annual Leadership Award which is given to the most outstanding chapter for fulfilling goals and objectives of the Society. The award is based on accomplishments such as civic activities, special projects, technical papers and presentations, and increase in membership.

Fugit said the chapter is to get the award in August at the Society's annual convention banquet in Cockeysville, Md.

Other officers in the local chapter, which has about 60 members, include Mildred Bobo, Vice-President; Robert Reiff, Jr., Secretary and Program Chairman; and John Horseman, Treasurer.



TRIPLE VISION? Martin, Marlene and Melanie, recent additions to the family of Sgt. and Mrs. E. Rivera-Castro, are shown in their first weights in a little over six pounds and Melanie tips the scales at 10 pounds. Marlene in her short two months has undergone two major operations at the Huntsville Medical Center to correct an intestinal disorder and was the last to be released from the hospital.

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Retirees Cited At Ceremony

Five military personnel were honored at a recent awards ceremony held in the MICOM headquarters building. Major General Edwin I. Donley presided at the ceremony last week.

Colonels James C. Miller, Jr., Adelbert E. Miller and Harry A. Buzzett received the Legion of Merit Award. Each has retired from active service.

Maj. Forest D. Haynes, Jr., was awarded the Meritorious Service Medal and Sgt. Maj. Charles A. Havner received the Army Commendation Medal with second oak leaf cluster.

James Miller was honored for outstanding performance of duty while serving as project manager of the SAM-D project office and also as MICOM Chief of Staff.

Adelbert Miller distinguished himself by his service as Director of Personnel Training and Force Development from July, 1970, to June, 1973.

Buzzett received the award for his performance of duty as Hawk project manager from Dec., 1970, to June, 1973.



RETIREES — (Reading from right) Sergeant First Class Junior L. Smith, Chief Warrant Officer Duane A. Avard, Major Forest D. Haynes, Jr., Colonel Harry A. Buzzett, Colonel A. E. Miller and

Colonel James C. Miller watch the troops pass the reviewing stand during retirement ceremonies on the Arsenal parade field Thursday afternoon. The reviewing officer is Major General Edwin I. Donley.

Haynes was recognized for his service as Chief, Military Personnel Division, Directorate for Personnel Training and Force Development.

Havner was honored for his performance as Command Sergeant Major from March, 1970, to June, 1973.

Thirty-One End Active Careers

Six of the 31 military men who retired at the end of June were honored at a retreat parade and review on the Arsenal parade field Thursday afternoon.

Troops, lead by the 55th U. S. Army Band, passed in review.

Colonel Harry A. Buzzett, Colonel Adelbert E. Miller, Colonel James C. Miller, Jr., Major Forest D. Haynes, Jr., Chief Warrant Officer Duane A. Avard, and Sergeant First Class Junior L. Smith shared the reviewing stand with Major General Edwin I. Donley, the reviewing officer.

Others who retired are:

- COL Joseph F. Schuman, SAFSCOM
- COL Everett G. Topham, SAFSCOM
- LTC Marshall L. Byrd, Jr., RASA
- LTC Kenneth D. Moore, USAEDH
- LTC Gene N. Castleberry, MICOM
- CW4 Philip H. Stresel, MMCS
- CSM Irel B. Reed, MMCS
- SGM Fred James, RASA
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- SSG Allen G. Hopkins, MMCS
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- SP6 Jae E. Mollett, RASA

Retirement List Swells

Forty more MICOM civilian employees have retired since last week's Rocket listed some 230 for this calendar year. Here are their names, by organization.

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- William Tucker
- Willie Talley
- John Masters

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- Frank James
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- Jacob Hendershott
- Winston Daniel
- Polly La Vine
- Andrew Reid

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- Leo Wright
- Irene Chapman

MAINTENANCE

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- Hulan Rodgers
- Harry Harden
- Earl Bennett

INTERNAL SECURITY

- Alfred Jones
- Grady Gullion
- James Boyd
- Charles Bunch

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- Spaulding Boster (TOW)
- Jimmie Johns (RASA)
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Spencer, Chief, Technology Group, Missile Research, Development and Engineering Laboratory, is an outdoorsman first and a hunter second. He likes the clean air, rugged country and beautiful scenery and doesn't really care whether he gets an animal or not.

So far his biggest bags have been a six point, 850 lb. elk and a 135 lb. antelope. He has the elk horns on the wall of his den and the antelope head is being mounted.

In addition to the hunting, Spencer has had some very interesting experiences. One year in Wyoming a early blizzard hit the area and all the hunters were snowbound for several days. Some of the hunters complained, but Spencer really enjoyed the experience of being snowbound in the wilds.

On one of his hunting trips Spencer got a taste of the wild wild west. A guide took them into a remote area to hunt elk. A good sized elk came down the trail and he got a good shot, but the elk didn't fall. He pursued the elk and finally found it just over a rise in the trail. As he was checking the animal, two men on horseback showed up and claimed they shot it.

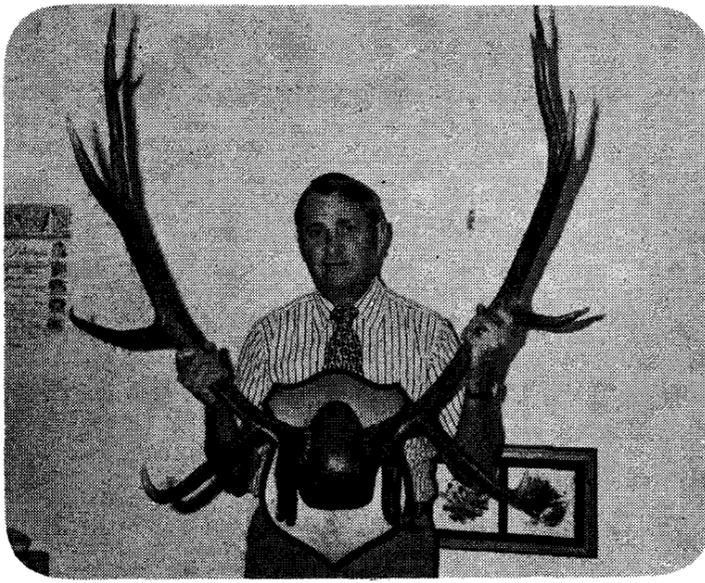
Spencer pointed out it was shot with a rifle and they only had pistols, but they insisted it was theirs and took it at pistol point. He didn't feel the animal was worth a confrontation, so the two characters took off with the elk.

Two years later he bagged a bigger elk than the one he lost to the pistol toting hunters.

Sometimes the weather can be almost as exciting as the hunting. One year his group was caught in a ground blizzard. The high winds and snow hit at a low level, it was difficult to see, and the winds were so strong they blew cars and campers right off the road.

Even though hunting is one of his big interests, Spencer also likes golf and gardening. He and his wife, Edna, landscaped their home and have a unique rock garden and barbecue area in the midst of the trees and flowers in their yard.

In their den, the Spencers have several trophies they have won in golf tournaments. Both enjoy the sport and frequently take trips to



A BIG RACK . . . JACK SPENCER

participate in tournaments.

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A small pat on the back for the man in the gray Mustang.

Enroute to work on Neal Road Thursday morning he U-turned to retrieve a young cardinal who tried her wings a bit early and sat cringing in the middle of the road as cars streaked by.

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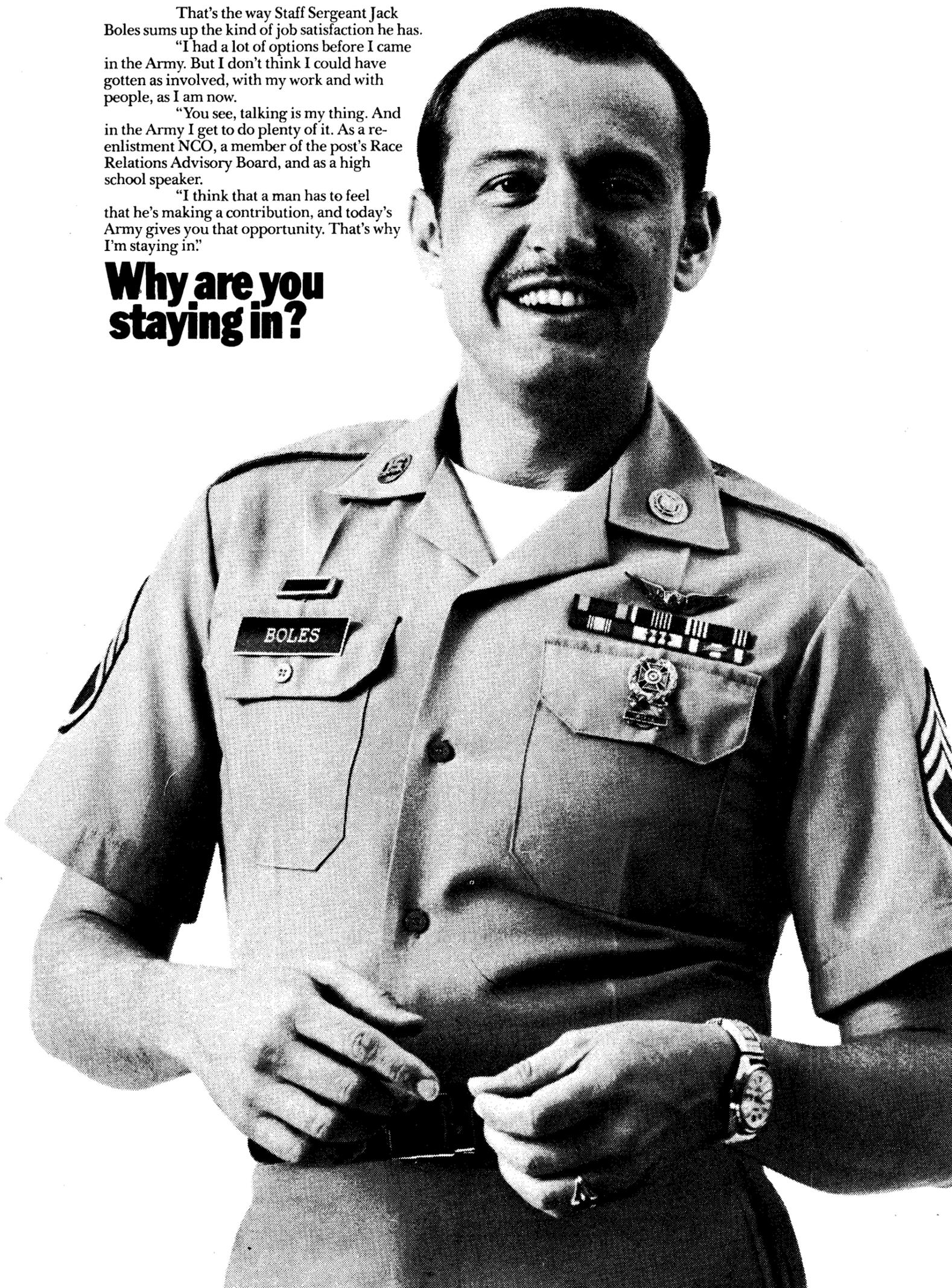
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