

Times Have Changed —

Conceptions Haven't

Motorcycle accidents create more carnage per vehicle mile than any other form of transportation. Most killed and injured are young; most motorcyclists fall into the under 30 age group. So do most military members.

Thus the motorcycle "problem" becomes especially pronounced for the military services since their personnel—probably more than any segment of the population—would incline toward the initial low cost, operational economy and unbridled image which are attracting Americans to motorcycling at a rate of about one million yearly.

Lieutenant Richard Byrd has a pretty good grasp of the motorcycle scene as it relates to Redstone and the Army, and to the civilian sector as well. He draws on two years' experience as traffic officer here and three years with the National Safety Council.

Here are some of Byrd's views on the subject, in particular on some misconceptions held by both motorcyclist and car driver. Work experience enhances Byrd's objectivity. He does not ride a motorcycle.

"You'll find motorcyclists are pretty good drivers," Byrd began. "They have got to be or they'd be dead. What happens is you get a couple who go out and tear up and cowboy and then everybody categorizes motorcyclists by them."

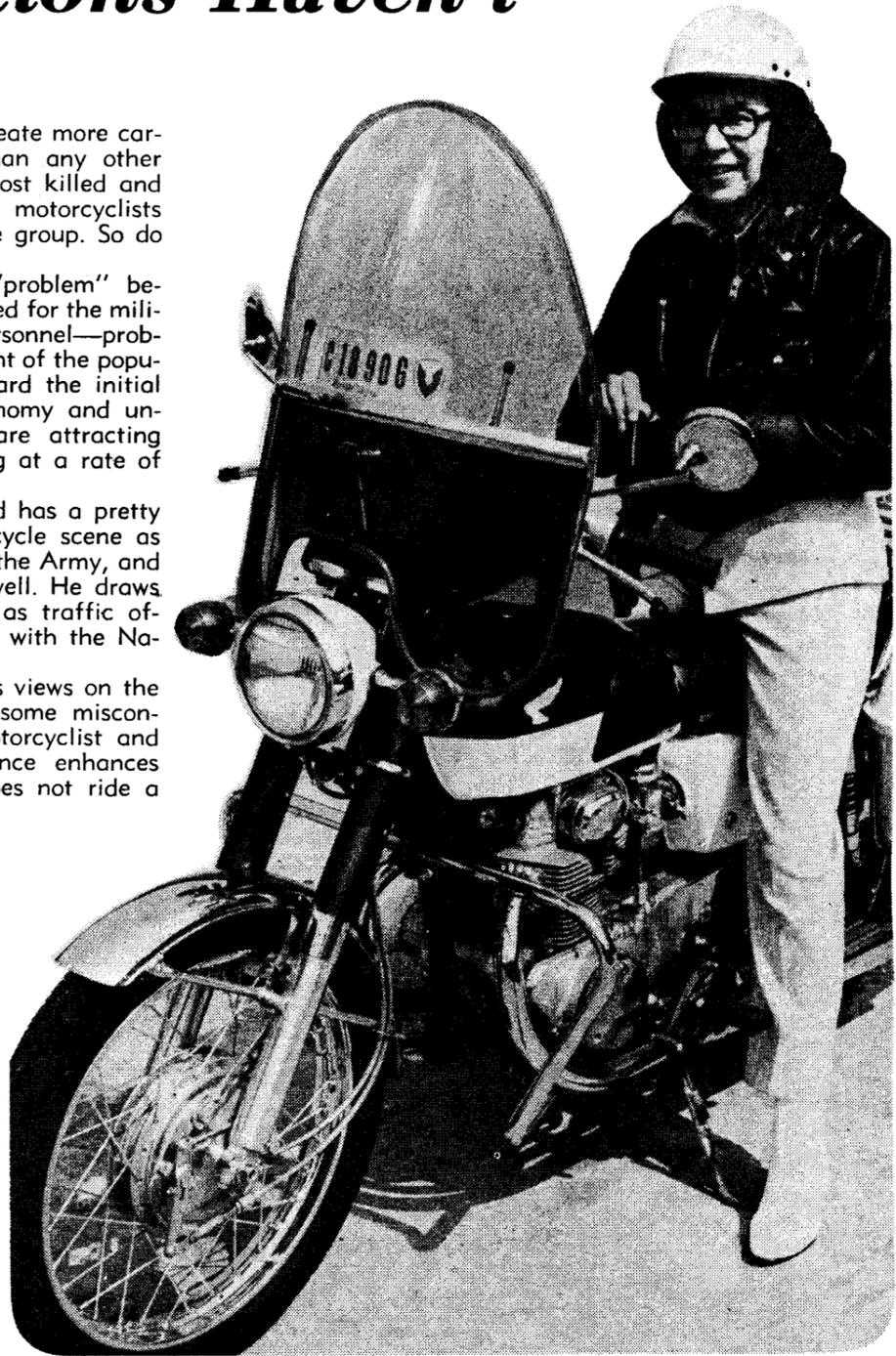
MISCONCEPTION NO. 1: Since motorcycles make up only 5 per cent of motor vehicle population yet are in 30 per cent of accidents it follows they are dangerous. Not necessarily so, Byrd feels. Dangerous maybe for the inexperienced rider, much less so for the experienced one. "The first 30 days are the critical period", Byrd said, noting that most ac-

cidents involve novice riders, often on borrowed machines.

Conversely, experienced riders are much less likely to have accidents and when they do, are seldom at fault. This is attributable to defensive driving, pure and simple. The motorcyclist's main defense, Byrd emphasized, is always assume the man in the car doesn't see you.

He has covered most motorcycle accidents on post and estimates that the motorcyclist wasn't at fault in four-fifths of them. Last quarter there were two motorcycle accidents here. In neither did the other party—one a driver, the other a pedestrian—see the motorcycle.

The fail-to-see situation is a recurring one and results from what Byrd calls the car driver's passive approach: the driver, being a creature of habit, is not looking for a motorcycle and his mind is not "programmed" to respond to one. Rather, it responds to what he does look for, a four-wheeled vehicle with lots of chrome and glass.



JEAN LITCHFIELD
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In another recurring situation the driver sees the motorcyclist but feeling he is a second-class citizen of the highways does not accord him his rights.

MISCONCEPTION NO. 2: The motorcycle's smaller size and vulnerability of its rider automatically give the car a right-of-way imperative. "A motorcycle of course is a motor vehicle and has the same rights and responsibilities as any other motor vehicle", Byrd said. This is spelled out in the Uniform Vehicle Code which says among other things that a motorcyclist is entitled to full use of a lane—even though he may use only the left portion of it.

He stays left for a reason, Byrd explained. Besides increasing visibility, in a passing situation riding left forces a car completely into the passing lane. Motorcycles being passed are sometimes cut

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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: Who got the most SSPs and OPRs within the past 12 months, men or women?

ANSWER: OPRs were awarded to 418 males and 270 females during the past 12 months. For SSPs, it was 184 to males and 93 to females.

QUESTION: Does Redstone Arsenal have any bicycle paths? If not, are there any plans to construct any?

ANSWER: There are no designated bicycle paths on Redstone Arsenal. None are planned because it would take new construction funds allocated by Congress.

The Invisible Man Returns

More than three million "invisible" men are traveling the United States' public roads today!

Who are they? People just like you and me . . . only they ride motorcycles.

Why are they "invisible"? Just because they are what they are . . . motorcyclists.

To illustrate the invisible man, locate an object 25 yards away that is about 30 inches wide (or about the width of a motorcycle). Now try to see the object while holding an ink pen upright about six inches from your eye. The pen makes a "blind spot," blotting out the object you are trying to see.

If a blind spot the width of an ink pen makes it difficult to see a motorcycle, think how large a blind spot your car's doorpost makes.

Imagine yourself stopped at an intersection. You stop, look both ways, but don't see anything. So you take your foot off the brake and hit the accelerator . . . then you see the motorcycle . . . sometimes too late!

Why didn't you see him before? Glancing to either side isn't enough. He could have been hidden by your doorpost "blind spot."



accelerator, he would be almost directly in front of you. All in one second!

Car drivers should be aware of "invisible" cyclists on the road; but by the same token, cyclists should take every precaution to overcome the hazards of motorcycling.

"Bike" headlights should be on at all times. This prevents the bike and rider from being hidden by a shadow and makes him more noticeable. Remember that much of the time you are hard to see.

A helmet should always be worn, and worn properly. The chin strap should be fastened securely; snug enough that it won't come off in an accident.

Watch closely for other vehicles. You never know what the other guy will do.

Reduce speed in gravel; when sand, dirt and such are on paved surfaces and when the roadway is wet. A motorcycle isn't as stable as a four-wheeled vehicle.

Remember, above all, on a bicycle, motorscooter, minibike or motorcycle, you are extremely vulnerable. Skin and bones give way much easier than sheet metal and steel chassis.

But how did he get so close so quickly without you noticing? If the motorcycle was traveling at 50 miles per hour, it would have been moving at about 73.3 feet per second. At that rate, the cyclist could have been 25 yards (75 feet) away as you looked both ways. By the time you moved your foot from the brake and hit the

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Employees of the Redstone Arsenal Commissary have changed all prices on items affected by the President's price freeze of June 13, to the price levels of those products for the period of June 2 through 8.

According to J.C. Bryant, Commissary Officer, "We received instructions from the Army Materiel Command July 2, to change our prices in accordance with the President's freeze order. The order had been issued by the Department of Army, June 26, but was not received at Redstone until July 3. Though we knew of the freeze we could not take action until we received guidance from higher headquarters."

On July 3, Bryant held a meeting with Allen Dale, Accounts Maintenance Supervisor for commissary records and Richard Turner, assistant Commissary Officer, to carry out their plan of action. Dale and his clerks checked all receipts and invoices to determine highest prices paid for items during June 2 through 8 period. Then they checked all items for prices that exceeded those of the freeze period.....approximately 200 items were involved.

Allen had his crew working in the evening to change prices and the project was accomplished by the time the commissary opened for business on the morning of July 7.

Allen explained the situation this way: "When we received instructions from the Department of Army on July 3, they told us that losses incurred due to the price ceiling would be accounted for by the preparation of a consolidated inventory adjustment voucher for each accounting period the prices are frozen."

"As soon as we knew how to account for the losses in the difference of prices, we had a crew start changing the prices to conform to the freeze levels."

"Since the amounts involve hundreds of thousands of dollars," Allen continued, "we had to get all articles priced correctly. For

example the commissary will lose 14c on every package of potato chips sold under the freeze, losses on coffee will range from 7c to 17c, a gallon of Crisco oil has been reduced 40c per container, a 25 lb bag of Purina Dog Chow was reduced 69c per bag, and Gerber baby food was reduced 1c per jar. All of these items are high volume sellers."

Bryant explained further, "the only price changes that will occur in the commissary during the price freeze will be when a vendor voluntarily reduces his prices. As an example medium sized eggs will be selling at 1c a dozen below the roll back price because the egg market dropped. If the market rises the highest the price can go is 1c higher to the freeze level."

"The ceiling price list and a list of all items with the price roll back is located in the Commissary Manager's office near the checkout stands," Bryant concluded.

Locals Attend FEW Conference

Eight members of the Federally Employed Women's local chapter attended the national convention in Washington Friday and Saturday.

The Redstone Arsenal delegation served as registrars for the meetings in the Washington Statler-Hilton.

Workshops covered the Federal Womans Program Revisited; the system and how to use it; career counselling; and helping management review the status of women.

Those attending from here included Delia Black, local chapter president, and Virginia Arnold, the immediate past president.

Completing the Huntsville delegation were Mattie Ballou, Jean Litchfield, Virginia Stephenson, Barbara Bullock, Millie Balch and Mary Bryson.



HELPING HAND — Ezekiel Salter, right, discusses educational opportunities with Paula O'Neal, a summer employee at MICOM. Salter is a counselor with the Summer Employment for Youth program.

Both Youth And Government Profit

If you think you're seeing more young faces around Redstone lately, it's not your imagination. About 200 high school and college students have come to work under the Summer Employment for Youth Program.

Beginning at the Alabama Employment Service, the students make their applications for summer jobs. They are carefully screened at this office and a list of applicants is then sent to the Recruitment and Placement Branch of the Civilian Personnel Division at Redstone. If positions are available, the students are placed and begin a summer of work and counseling.

The 200 young people are working at jobs in MICOM, SAFEGUARD, and MMCS.

Although the main purposes of the program are to fill positions that arise during the summer and also, give the students money to help them meet educational costs in the fall, much more is accomplished.

Two full-time counselors are employed to assist the students in their educational, personal and social growth and adjustment. Rae Sykes, who has worked with the program for five summers, is employed during the regular school year as a counselor at Grissom High School. Ezekiel Salter, who joined the youth program this summer was a counselor while in military service.

A series of group and individual counseling sessions cover a wide variety of subjects. The students are given a general orientation and then are divided into smaller groups for sessions on everything from how to get a college loan to discussions on drug abuse.

Each student is given the opportunity to meet with a counselor on a one-to-one basis to receive guidance in almost any area. If the counselor cannot provide information, a wide referral list is made available to the student.

Aptitude tests may also be given to a student who desires to know more about his hidden capabilities. Overall, the program seems to be working for both Redstone Arsenal and the young employees.



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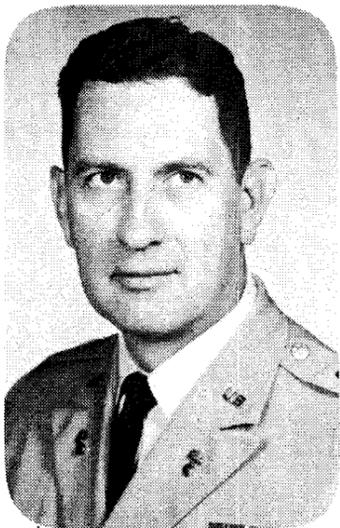


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Ex-Commandant Back for Visit



MG GRAHAM

Major General Erwin M. Graham Jr., who will visit the Missile School on Friday, has assumed command of the U. S. Army Logistics Management Center (PROV) established July 1 at Ft. Lee, Va.

The Center was established from a nucleus of CDC, DCSLOG, and CONARC and marks the first time one organization has been vested with responsibility for developing, testing, integrating and disseminating logistics doctrine and systems.

Graham has had three key assignments at Redstone, beginning in 1952 when he came here to establish what is now MMCS. In 1957 he was assigned here as chief of the control office of the Army Ordnance Missile Command and in 1965 became MMCS commandant. He has a doctorate in electrical engineering.

Retirement Get The Facts - Then Decide

Thinking about retirement...feel you can't afford to take the step right now? Don't just brush the thoughts aside, look into the situation and find out the facts for yourself.

Provisions of the recent retirement bill allow Federal employees with 20 years service at the age of 50 or persons with 25 years service at any age, to retire. In June, the Civil Service Commission granted the Department of Defense 60 days for organizations facing a reduction-in-force to allow employees to choose retirement if they qualify. Those who do not choose retirement within the 60 day period will have to wait until this provision is extended again to take advantage of the situation.

Sometimes employees react differently to retirement when they see figures on what their annuity will be.

Civilian employee retirements, (January through June,) from agencies served by the MICOM Civilian Personnel Division totaled 277 for MICOM, 60 for SAFSCOM, 23 for MMCS and four for MEDDAC at the end of last month.

Take the employee who is a GS-11, step 6, whose annual salary is \$16,326. His high 3 years average out to \$15,000 and should he decide to retire at age 55 with 25 years service, his gross monthly income would be \$578.00 per month. Deduct the maximum survivor annuity and the gross would be \$543. per month.

Better still, try this one on for size...a GS-12, step 6, with 30 years service. This employee's annual

pay is \$19,462. The high 3 years averages out to \$18,000 and at age 55 or older this person will receive gross pay of \$844. per month. Deduct the maximum survivor annuity and the total is \$782. per month.

While these examples may not hit your particular situation, check with Les Himes at 876-3902 and find out what your annuity will be. You may find that retirement is not as far off as you thought.



GETS AWARD — Charles Cockrell, SAM-D Deputy Project Manager, has been awarded the Meritorious Civilian Service Award. Cockrell was cited recently for significant achievements during the Advanced Development Phase of the Army's new air defense weapon system.

General Weyand

(ANF) — The Army is getting a new Vice Chief of Staff, General Frederick Weyand. Upon confirmation by the Senate, he'll succeed General Alexander Haig Jr.

General Weyand has been serving as Commander in Chief of all Army Forces in the Pacific. Before that, he was the last US Commander to serve in Vietnam.

Forest fires burn more than trees.

Survivor Protection

Local retired military personnel who retired prior to September 21, 1972, have only until September 20 this year to sign for the new Survivor Benefit Plan, a program that assures financial protection for survivors.

The Survivor Benefit Plan provides survivor income of up to 55 percent of the retired pay of retirees to their widows or widowers and dependent children.

In the past, surviving members of retirees' families often found themselves with little or no income following the retirees' death. The new program fills that gap in the area of service benefits.

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The Missile and Munitions Center and School (MMCS) has contracted with the Alabama Consortium for Development of Higher Education to present courses in General and Educational Psychology, Basic English Composition, Human Relations and Principles of Learning.

The Consortium consists of seven universities and colleges and two military institutions throughout Alabama. Members are University of Alabama, University of Montevallo, Alabama A&M State University and Miles, Judson, Stillman and Huntingdon Colleges. Military affiliates are MMCS and the Air Force University.

The Consortium provides professors for the courses at MMCS. The Consortium was formed several years ago to improve the quality of education by making available to each member its combined assets of teachers, libraries, audio-visual aids and latest educational techniques.

MMCS is offering the liberal arts courses as part of an Army-wide program to help career military and civilian personnel keep abreast of today's rapid managerial, scientific, technical and educational advances and to become better qualified to advise on long-range administrative and planning matters.

Thus the carefully selected Army personnel are allowed to attend the classes on duty time for four hours weekly over a period of 10 weeks for each course. There is no tuition fee, and books and lesson materials are supplied through the MMCS Technical Library and turned in at the end of the courses.

The first group of 125 students completed its courses on April 16, and a second group began on April 23. Classes are held in Stilwell Hall on the MMCS campus. Classes are limited to 25 students in each of the five courses.

MMCS authorities emphasized that while successful completion of the courses does give a student college credits, the attendees are not selected merely because they want to get college degrees but solely on the basis of how their acquired expertise will contribute to the better accomplishment of MMCS roles and missions in the Army.

Professors for the first session were: General Psychology, Dr. Louis Blackwell, University of Alabama; Educational Psychology, Dr. Bev Holaday, University of Alabama; Basic English Composition, Dr. Bessie Jones, Alabama A&M State University; Human Relations, Dr. Sue Sukhari, Miles College; Principles of Learning, Dr. Earnest Dees, Alabama A&M.

During the second session, Dr. Dorothy Turner of Alabama A&M will conduct English Composition; Dr. Jack Fowler, General Psychology, of Judson College; Dr. Sandord Colley of University of Montevallo, Educational Psychology. Drs. Dees and Sukhari will continue as in the first session.

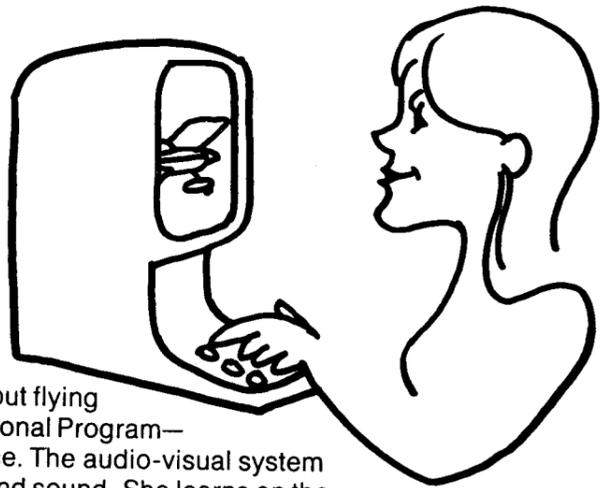
Tour Takes In Cathedral Caverns

A tour of Cathedral Caverns is on the Service Club calendar for Saturday afternoon.

The bus leaves the Service Club at 1:30 and returns at approximately 5:30. Those making this trip must register at the Club by 3:30 on Friday.

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He put it this way: "Some men have hobbies that their wives can't share...and some women have interests their husbands don't share, but square dancing is something they can do together...and it's fun too."

For Raspilair and his wife, Bickie, square dancing has become a way of life. About a year after they started square dancing, he decided to try his luck at calling. Now he does square dance calling

regularly and has been active in helping other square dance groups get started.

A native of New Orleans, Raspilair and his wife became interested in square dancing when they lived on the Gulf Coast. When they came to Huntsville they found square dancing was a good way to get acquainted in the local area.

According to Raspilair, "When I first started there were only a few memorized routines, but square dancing has developed and become more complicated. Now there are approximately 75 basic steps and a lot of variations that make it much more interesting for the dancers."

The Raspilairs are so involved that they have set up a course to teach and interest other couples in learning to square dance.

Mrs. Raspilair writes and edits a monthly newsletter on the activities and events of the Tennessee Valley Square Dance Association.

They are members of a group known as the Mountain Squares composed of 40 couples that get together once a week. Both feel it is an inexpensive hobby, good exercise and a wonderful way to meet people.

The only difficulties the Raspilairs have encountered is getting the men to come square dancing for the first time. However, they found that once the men tried it, they become as enthusiastic and dedicated as the veteran square dancers.

"The real fun comes when the music is playing and the couples are whirling and following the chant of the caller," Raspilair said.



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Man Of Many Talents

Artist, musician, wood carver, model builder . . . Ron Hertz does them all and still has time for a hobby.

Hertz, an illustrator in the Graphic Arts Branch, Audio-Visual division, is known primarily for his water colors and paintings of the missile system that have been developed at the Missile Command. Many examples of his work hang in the conference rooms, project offices and hallways on the Arsenal.

While Hertz is known for his artistic abilities, few people know that he is also a musician and that he played professionally long before he became an artist.

According to Hertz, "I started playing the piano when I was four years old. I never had any lessons I just learned to play by ear. Living in the country as I did, sometimes there was no one to play with so I would just sit down at the piano and work out the sounds I had heard on the keyboard."

His ear for music and constant practice gave Hertz a piano style that later helped pay his way through college. While he was a student at the University of Georgia, he met Bill Anderson who was later to gain fame as a Country and Western singer and song writer.

During his early college days he joined a group of musicians who played for dances in the area. Anderson was the singer and the group was booked regularly in many of the local dance spots in the area.

Later he met Jerry Lee Lewis and performed in some of the one night stands in the days before Lewis became an established star.

"I used to get \$20 per dance and played two dances each weekend. My wife, Carol, would sit at a table and sip orange juice during the show. That money sure did come in handy to help pay my way through college," Hertz said.

Though he chose a career as an artist, other forms of art play an important part in his life. Hertz likes to take a block of wood, round it off with a saw and then carve it into various shapes. He has carved several heads, animals and birds and just about anything that suits his fancy. Some of his carvings have been utilized by his wife as decorations for the house.

About his carvings, Hertz had this to say: "There weren't many

young people around where I lived so I found things to do. I played the piano a lot and then when I was about 11 years old I started whittling to pass the time. It was relaxing, I enjoyed it and I liked to whittle and carve various things. It just fitted into my way of life."

In addition to painting, playing piano and wood carving, Hertz likes to build model airplanes. Though he has no particular reason for doing so, Hertz builds his model planes in the winter. He is continually swapping plans and models with other builders and keeps up on the latest model information.

One thing for sure, Hertz has more talent in the family too. His daughter, Beth, 18, started playing piano when she was 3 years old. She likes to paint and plans on an art major at the University of Alabama next year. His younger daughter, Carrie, 15, also plays the piano and the guitar too.

Mrs. Hertz likes her husband's way of life . . . she has his paintings hanging on the wall, his carvings on her shelves and she likes to hear him play the piano.

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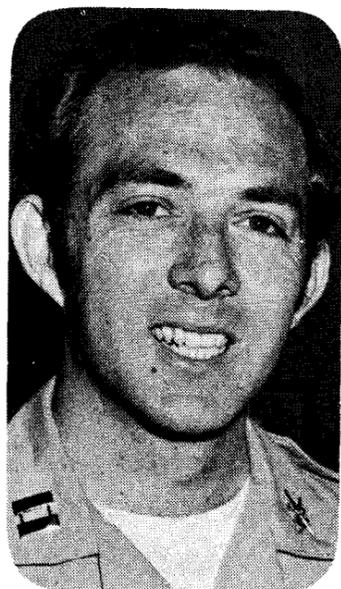
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Ever notice the ads showing clowning cyclist? Or how many illustrators seem to draw only a kind who look like hellraisers roaring out of a B grade movie? Misconceptions die hard.

Motorcycle numbers, already pegged at between four and five million nationally, are expected to increase by about a million this year. This means you may find some of your best friends are motorcyclists; he or she may be scientist or soldier, beautician or mathematician, youthful and exuberant or crabbed and aged.

No longer does the sound of a motorcycle mean Jerome Greaser is disheveling his Vaseline aspic duck tails as he cruises from bistro to barrelhouse on his hawg with Fat Mama on the back. The new image is here, now at Redstone Arsenal.

Take for example Dr. Ray Conrad, 36. On warm days you can catch him riding Bridgestone 350 to his job in laser technology at the Physical Sciences Laboratory.

The Bronson bug bit Conrad, or rather his spouse, about 18 months ago. "My wife wanted a motorcycle and her interest sort of piqued mine too," Snyder said. "I had ridden before as a kid, but she hadn't."

"I like to get out and see the countryside" — he sticks to back roads mostly — "the National forests, the unsettled areas."

Motorcycling for him "...is the sense of controlling a finely tuned

machine, of being able to make it do what I want it to do. It's much the feeling I get flying my own airplane.

"And then again, it's cheap, not the least of considerations."

At the 95th Service Company motorcycle-riding soldiers loom large on scene. Two of them, Specialist 6 Paul Pittman and Sergeant First Class John Rennicks, are veteran riders, while another, Specialist 6 Jimmy Williams, has been convinced by the former two that motorcycles are the only way to travel.

No sunshine cyclist, Pittman rides whatever the weather and in a year racked up 14,000 miles on a Honda 750 that he sold recently. He's looking for another, in his words "waiting for the right deal."

"Being on a good motorcycle on a back country road is like being in a chauffeured convertible limousine with Raquel Welch...", Pittman offered. Apparently having not overstated his ardor, he continued, "motorcycles are sport, pleasure, challenging, demanding — one of the luxuries of life."

Not as avid a motorcyclist as Pittman, Rennicks' motorcycle serves more as a supplement to his car, an old Falcon with 90,000 miles which he plans to keep for 10 more years. "And the only way I can do it is to ride the motorcycle," Rennicks said with a laugh.

Rennicks got into motorcycles on Okinawa as an economy move and because of awesome traffic congestion there. At this point Pittman, who was there too, described how Rennicks (who looks about 6 feet tall) putt-putted

through the jam-packed traffic on a mini-bike equipped with an elongated rear-view mirror that stuck up like a periscope.

Presently Rennicks rides a Honda 750 which he says is "nice, cheap motor transportation. And it's been reliable transportation for me too," he added.

And then came a voice from the wings — "You guys keep talking and I'll go out and buy mine today." It was Williams who had never been near a motorcycle until he came here. "Hey, what's a Yamaha 750 like..."

Probably the Patriarch of Arsenal motorcyclists, Ben Snyder, 50, is a distinguished looking gent with silver hair and mustache that about match the burnished engine cases of his BMW 500.

Snyder, an equipment specialist with the Metrology and Calibration Laboratory, is also a relative newcomer to motorcycling, having joined its ranks after his son and daughter-in-law talked him into attending a safety course offered by the MARS motorcycle club.

The course convinced Snyder he was missing out on something. That something, he now says, is "the free feeling, the breeze, the smell of the air, that sort of thing. I guess it's just the thrill of it," he mused, fingering his stylish gold-framed glasses.

"At one time I would have nothing to do with them," he continued. "I wouldn't buy one for my son, nor would I let him keep his at home after he bought one himself." Snyder's wife is still of his former mind: "She goes to the other end of the house when I leave in the morning."

Now Snyder is pretty

representative of the new breed of gentleman motorcyclist and rides mostly with groups for the camaraderie. "I'm a fair weather rider, I don't like to get wet, don't like to get cold," he conceded.

Thirty-five years younger than Snyder but no less a motorcycle aficionado is Ernest Johnson, a Butler High Freshman and son of Arsenal Master Sergeant James H. Johnson.

In the past 13 months Ernest has logged nearly 4,000 miles on his Kawasaki 100 enduro, dividing his riding time between street and trail.

Trail riding, he says, "is a sort of competition, you pit yourself against the trail and the machine. It's really a challenge."

"When I get tired of trails I'll see some of my friends on the street and ride around or maybe go camping or something." As a result of riding he thinks he'll have an edge when he tries for an automobile drivers license next year.

And with an out-of-the-mouths-of-babies incisiveness, Ernest becomes the voice of motorcycling's millions with the observation. "It's just all fun."

Riding



TOM BILLINGS

Legislature Gets New Bill

The Alabama House of Representatives has passed and sent to the Senate special licensing bill for motorcycle riders, requiring them to wear eye protection, long sleeve shirts, shoes and long pants.

An amendment was pushed through to negate the bill's provision raising legal rider age from 14 to 16. Another amendment changed a requirement for leather

shoes to just shoes.

The bill sparked long debate. Reportedly, one proposed amendment would have required motorcyclists to keep their hair cut short (so as not to obstruct vision); another would have required them to wear black leather jackets. Both were defeated.

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"Easy Writers" is a group of motorcycle enthusiasts comprised of men employed in the publications branch of the Directorate for Maintenance. Unlike the movie images, these men hold down full-time jobs and also find time for riding the trails.

Members of the group are Wayne Holloway, Jerry Holly, Tom Billings, Sonny Austin, Ron Harris, Harry Simons, Bill Creel and Bobby Frazier.

Since March, 1972, the "Easy Writers" have traveled over trails in Alabama and Tennessee on their weekend jaunts. Seeking the freedom of the countryside, they prefer dirt bike riding or trail riding to riding on congested city streets and highways.

Dirt bikes differ from street machines in their adaptations to the trails. Specially designed tires cling to the steep inclines and often muddy trails. The bikes are lighter in weight than street motorcycles so they can be more easily maneuvered.

The riders enjoy staging races among themselves. One of the most common types of race courses is the motocross track which is run on an area of open land covered with a number of obstacles such as ditches, water and steep jumps.

The members have reported no major injuries on their rides but they stress the importance of proper riding attire. Tall, heavy boots are a must for riding through thick wooded areas where branches could cause leg injuries. Helmets and goggles are other items of necessity.

Interest in the motorcycle scene has even turned two of the members toward the business aspect. Harris and Holly recently opened a motorcycle sales shop which they operate after leaving their jobs on the arsenal.

These men ride their bikes for a number of varied reasons. One man summed it up when he said, "We ride for competition and for the satisfaction we get from it. When you're at the bottom of a hill looking up, it's a challenge. But when you come up over the top you can look back and see what you've done."

short: "A lot of new riders get nailed this way," Byrd said.

He also makes the point that drivers should never tailgate a motorcycle. This is because at normal speeds under normal conditions a motorcycle's braking capability usually far exceeds that of a car.

MISCONCEPTION NO. 3: A motorcycle's exceptional braking and handling characteristics compensate for the lack of protection it affords the rider. Not so, says Byrd. This misconception, combined with a lack of common sense, is illustrated amply by the motorcyclist who passes right and tailgates or weaves about or runs

Black leather jacket, boots, helmet, 350 Honda — and a lady. They go together well when the lady is Jean Litchfield, motorcycle enthusiast, artist, dancer and full-time personnel staffing specialist with the Civilian Personnel Division.

Jean began riding a motorcycle about ten years ago before very many women were on the scene. "When my husband began riding a motorcycle, I didn't want to be left at home. The only thing to do was learn to ride myself."

And that's just what she did. Jean and her husband now have three motorcycles, two Harley Davidson 74's and a 350 Honda Super Sport. One of the Harley's is a 1954 model which Jean's husband has completely restored.

"I love riding," she says, "and the Harley's are large bikes built for comfort on the road. I hope to take a cross-country trip

someday."

Jean is an active woman who has many hobbies. She has enjoyed painting since childhood and her home is decorated with many original oil paintings and water-colors.

Sewing is another of her interests and she made many of the draperies and other accessories for her home.

But there is still more in the world of Jean Litchfield. For the past six months she has studied dancing and will be going to New York City to compete in an international dance festival.

All of these interests are added to the activity of her job which Jean says is filled with hard work that she loves doing. She has been employed at Redstone for 15 years and began working here in the Air Force Jupiter office. Since that time she has done almost every type of office work. "Personnel work is what I really love, though,

because you touch the lives of so many people."

The Litchfield's came to Huntsville from the west coast where they followed the missile industry. Litchfield was employed by the Research, Development and Engineering Laboratory before his retirement. He now serves as a volunteer policeman two nights a week.

"We love Huntsville," Jean comments, "and have no desire to leave."

But no matter where she is you can bet she'll have a motorcycle around and be headed for the open road.

The Litchfields have been married for over 28 years. But it was the 22nd wedding anniversary that brought a special smile to Jean's face. "That was the year my husband presented me with my own black leather jacket. What more could I ask for?"

Three-Cycle Family

Times Have Changed

(Continued from Page 1)

up the road's shoulder in congested traffic. "These," Byrd says, "are the ones who give riders a bad name."

"And any vehicle operated beyond its operational capability is a danger," he continued. "Ask any GI if he'd turn an M151 (jeep) at 30 miles per hour on a flat road. Ask the same of someone driving a 914 Porsche."

Safe cycling depends on all users of the highways recognizing mutual rights and responsibilities. "The big guy should watch out for the little guy but unfortunately this is not so. Motorcyclists are actually doing people a favor," Byrd offered; "they use less fuel, pollute

less and cause less congestion."

Until that day the asphalt utopia arrives, the motorcyclist does have protective equipment, especially his helmet.

At this point Byrd brings out the National Safety Council statistics. In 1970 there were 23 deaths per 100 million motorcycle miles; the death number was 20 in 1971, (4.7 for all motor vehicles) a drop despite a substantial rise in motorcycle numbers. The fatality decrease Byrd attributes in part to enactment of helmet laws.

"There's a man alive on the Arsenal today because he had a helmet on," Byrd said, explaining that the man was hurled head-first

into the bumper of an oncoming car in a wreck that wasn't his fault.

According to Byrd helmetless riders are shown no mercy here and the Arsenal has laws in the offing to require motorcyclists to burn their headlights and wear approved eye protection.

(Motorcycle fatalities dropped 49 per cent in Washington following enactment of a helmet law; the number of riders suffering head injuries dropped 61 per cent).

And then there's the story of the unhelmeted rider who, hospitalized in a stupor with a fractured skull, was found to have his passenger's teeth embedded in the back of his head.

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Malcolm Blackard, an electronic technician in the Metrology and Calibration Center, collects phonograph records. The bulk of the collection are old 78s inscribed with country music.

Blackard favors string bands with banjo, guitar, mandolin and fiddles, especially fiddles. A guitarist himself, he's good enough to help judge the annual fiddlin' contest held at Athens College. His preference is the old time country music (what he calls the negro blues) — maybe he does but that ain't country.

The style that Blackard prefers are recorded by people like the Delmore Brothers from around Athens, Mainers Mountaineers and Sid Tanner's Skillet Lickers.

His equipment is not all confined to hand wind phonographs that are associated with his 78 collection. He has electronic 8-track tapes and stereo and subscribes to the John Edwards Memorial Foundation Quarterly.

Edwards was an Australian who had one of the most extensive country music collections in the world. He died in a motor accident, but he is represented by collectors all over the world who trade ballads and tunes in the Quarterly Journal.

Blackard got started as a collector when he answered an ad in a newspaper or magazine. He isn't sure which. Then he got acquainted slowly with others interested in preserving the early country blues, jazz and the music which evolved in the Southern fields.

Now, some of this is being reissued on bootleg LPs by the Japanese. Bluegrass music is especially popular in Japan and other foreign countries.

Blackard has 20 or 30 of the Japanese LP's. He also has somewhere between 50,000 and 75,000 post-World War II 78s, the entire stock of a Nashville music store which was purchased by another collector first. Many of these he has traded or sold. In addition, he has collected another 1,000 or so.

"I purchase what I like," he said, "but I didn't get into it early enough." "Many of the popular songs today are old songs in which they have changed the tempo and rearranged some of the words.

"Most people are not aware of that. They think pop is all brand new."

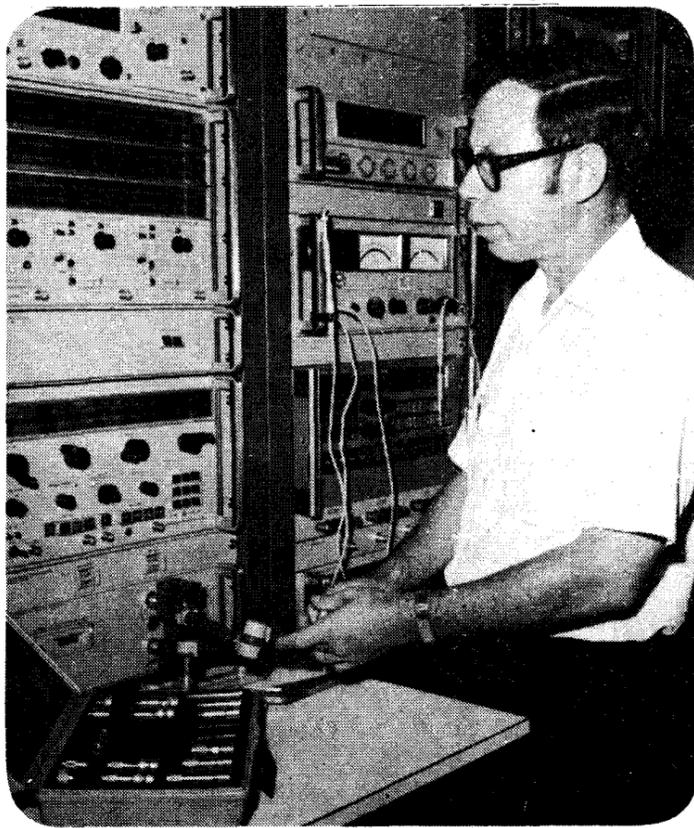
Blackard came to Redstone in 1959 to work in an Army Rocket Guided Missile Agency laboratory. He studied electronics by correspondence when he was in high school and received further training while he was in the Navy. His collection of records, which he keeps in his home at Trinity came to Alabama from Mississippi. He has a few unique items like cylinders and the Edison-type records that are a quarter inch thick.

But the antique holds little fascination for Blackard unless it's his kind of music or a good conversation piece. He points out that the phonograph was the main form of home entertainment before invention of the radio. Before the phonograph, instrumentals and songs were all presented live after man learned to make music.

Coffee Slated

Wives of officers assigned in the Missile Command will hold a coffee July 24 in the Safeguard Room of the Officers Open Mess at 10 a.m.

Reservations will be accepted by Mrs. R. W. Huntzinger, 837-6174 until noon July 18; cancellations by Mrs. J. R. Hilborn 837-7078, until noon July 20.



Country Music Man on the Job... MALCOLM BLACKARD

Never A Dull Moment

Water sports were part of the day's activities for a few of the 709 Redstone people who converged on the Civilian Recreation Area July fourth.

This despite signs warning "DANGEROUS WATERS, No Swimming or Skiing Allowed From This Area" and despite the presence of the ubiquitous S.W. Sturdivant, CRA custodian, who enforces the prohibition un-bendingly. Why, he won't even let kiddies do a little splish-splashing (because of broken glass, among other considerations.)

But July fourth the prohibition was laid by momentarily.

Herb Greene was there, enjoying the holiday with his fellow Redstone motion picture men and their families.

Greene said the fun and games were interrupted by a "Hey, there's a cow in the river!"

Quickly three or four picnics and ball players dropped their divertissements, swam to the struggling animal and steered it shoreward.

It was a calf, some say blind or with impaired vision, and had floundered into the river via a tributary creek that runs through grazing land bordering the recreation area.

A rodeo atmosphere continued as

later in the day Lou Napoleon, a co-worker of Greene's, went out in his boat to chase down a nun buoy which had broken from its mooring in the river channel. Someone in Napoleon's boat lassoed the elusive object and it was towed to shore to await pick up by the Coast Guard.

Selection Of Stock

Discussions on stock selection will highlight the next meeting of the CHIC Investment Club set for tomorrow evening, at the Officers Open Mess starting at seven.

The discussion is open to visitors as are all meetings of the five-year old Club. Persons interested in learning as well as earning through investing in stocks are invited to attend.

Lin Varney is president of the Club for the coming year. Other officers are Larry Vultaggio, Leonard Ellis, Cynthia Crispell, and Ray Weinberg.



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NAMES IN THE NEWS

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LLOYD GLOOR

Lt. Col. Joseph W. Lloyd is the new commander of the 2nd battalion, School Brigade. He moves to his new position from an assignment as Maintenance Director, USARBCO, Okinawa and Japan. The new commander is a native of Lake Bluff, Ill., and received a BA from the University of Michigan and an MBA from the University of Hawaii. He entered the Army in 1955 through ROTC. He and his wife Constance, and three daughters reside on the Arsenal.

Promotions

Sgt. Wilbert D. Gloor, USMC Admin Det., was promoted to his present rank on July 3. He is presently attending school at the Arsenal. Gloor calls San Antonio, Tex., home. He is a 1970 graduate of Winston Churchill High School in San Antonio and entered the service in February, 1971.

Sgt. Alan George Cole, also of the USMC Admin Det., was promoted to his present rank on July 3. He, too, is presently attending school here. Cole hails from Johnstown, N.Y. He is a 1967 graduate of Johnstown High School and entered the service in December, 1970.

Sgt. Roy C. Parrish, Co. C, School Brigade, was promoted to his present rank on July 3. Parrish is a HAWK instructor. He is a 1967 graduate of Hopewell High School and hails from Aliquippa, Penn. He entered the Army in March 1968.

Reenlistments

Three reenlistment ceremonies were held in the 1st Battalion, School Brigade, on June 29. SFC S.B. Richardson, Co. A, reenlisted for five years. Richardson entered the Army in January, 1958. He is assigned as Organization Maintenance in the HAWK Division. SFC Harold C. Kennedy, Co. C, reenlisted for six years. He is an instructor in the HAWK CW course and entered the Army in June, 1958. SFC Albert T. Shaw, also from Co. C, reenlisted for four years. Shaw entered the Army in May, 1956, and is NCOIC of DC-T&E.

Meritorious Mast

In ceremonies held in the office of the USMC Detachment Commander on July 5, SSgt. Dennis L. Dickman, USMC, was awarded a Meritorious Mast and presented a certificate of completion for the Basic School Extension Course. Dickman attended Central Webster High School, Burnside, Iowa, prior to joining the Marines in March, 1964. He is an ammunition instructor at the School.

Honor Graduates

Maj. Arthus G. Woodle, Management Branch Chief, CML, CDD, has been recognized as the first outstanding graduate of the Self-Pace MOI Course. Under the new system which still comprises a block of 80 hours of instruction, the student is permitted to progress at his own pace using audio cassettes with synchronized slides and video cassettes utilizing T.V. Maj. Woodle received a degree in Electrical Engineering from Clemson Univ., and entered the Army in 1960 through the ROTC program.

Pvt. Cyle Earwood of Corpus Christi, Tex., attained a scholastic

average of 92.89 to lead the Light Air Defense Electronic Repairman course which graduated on June 29. He attended Calallen High School in Corpus Christi and entered the Army in September, 1972.

PFC Robert W. Scarlett of Longview Texas, led the Ammunition Storage specialist course with an average of 97.06. Graduation ceremonies were held on July 3. Scarlett is a 1972 graduate of Spring Hill High School, Longview, and joined the Marines in January, 1973.

1st Lt. Michael S. Gilmer of San Rafael, Calif., was honor graduate of the first graduating class EOD Phase 1, with an academic average of 93 percent. He holds a BS degree from the University of Calif., Davis, and entered the Army in April, 1971, through the ROTC program. He was previously assigned to Hq. Co., USAG, Ft. Mac Arthur, Calif.

New Arrivals

A recent arrival at MMCS is Sgt.



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Jack E. Coffey. He is assigned to Co. C and works as a Personnel Records Clerk. He came to MMCS from the 696th Ord. Co., Korea. Coffey is a native of Tecumseh, Mich.

SSgt. Robert B. Dunlap, Jr., arrived at MMCS on June 29 and has been assigned to the 1st ETC. His last assignment was with the 663rd Ord. Det., Hohenfels, Germany. Dunlap entered the Army in February, 1955.

SFC Edgar A. Yohe, Jr., arrived at MMCS on July 5 and has been assigned to Co. C and as a senior instructor in the HAWK Missile Launcher Branch. His last assignment was with the 3rd Bn., 60th ADA, Germany. He is a 1958 graduate of Monongahela High School, Monongahela, Penn., and entered the Army in August, 1959.

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MM In Driver's Seat CWF Slo-Pitch Season Ends

Layaway Plan Streamlined

All the blue chips are on the line this week as Materiel Management seeks to end the MISD domination of the CWF slo-pitch softball league.

The present leaders met the defending champions last night hoping for a win that would assure them at least a tie for the regular season crown. The regular schedule ends tomorrow with MM taking on Finance and Accounting, and GEM in a twin bill.

In the last week's action MISD moved to within a half game of the top with three wins and a loss while MM was winning two of three. Both came out on the short end of Tuesday encounters with MISD dropping a 10-8 nod to the Accountants and Missile Systems hanging a 15-8 defeat on the leaders.

MISD had taken Missile Systems over a 17-5 course on Monday and came back to thump GEM, 18-1, and Safeguard, 16-3, on Thursday.

Len Hatcher was perfect in his three trips.

In the opening end of the upset bill the Accountants chased nine runs across the plate in the seventh inning with Hal Jacobs and Bill Bradley delivering the most telling blows. Bruce Coker's homer had propelled MISD into the early lead.

Jack Bowen pitched Safeguard to their win over Metrology with Willie Porter setting the offensive pace but homers by Wayne Dahlke and Dean Reese enabled Fruchtnicht to thwart the ABM hopes for a double win.

On Thursday Dick Bradshaw drove in three runs as Lindon Calvert pitched MM past Metrology and Tom Johnson overcame home runs by Pete Casper and Charley Looney as Missile Systems overcame the Accountants. Larry Davis had four hits for the winners.

Coker collected five hits and Harris four more, including a triple, in the MISD frolic over GEM and Doug Peavey made it a twin win against Safeguard as Jody Winkles hit safely four times in the nightcap.

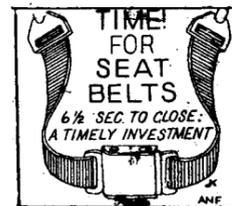
Dallas — The Army and Air Force Exchange Service (AAFES) has announced changes to the AAFES layaway program which will provide for more efficient and effective service to customers.

Maj. Gen. C. W. Hospelhorn, AAFES commander, approved a change to the layaway program which sets a \$15 minimum total purchase as a requirement to initiate a layaway. The minimum may apply to a single item or a group of items.

Another improvement designed to facilitate the processing of customer layaways has been the removal of the requirement to make price changes on layaway

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L. CALVERT

Materiel Management took Safeguard 21-6 on Monday and Metrology 12-3 on Thursday.

Metrology dropped a pair on Monday, losing to GEM, 11-9, and F&A, 18-8, while Safeguard gained a split in their Tuesday play. The ABM crew whipped Metrology, 13-3, but came up short against GEM, 19-16.

The final game on the Thursday card saw Missile Systems take the Accountants, 11-6.

MISD got a pair of homers from Buddy Lewis plus single round trippers from Russ Ward and Jack Harris as Doug Peavey hurled the win over Missile Systems. Charles Lovejoy stroked a pair of four-basers to drive in four runs for the losers.

STANDINGS		
Mat Mgmt	W	L
MISD	13	2
GEM	13	3
Fin & Acc	8	7
Msl Systems	8	7
Safeguard	6	9
Metrology	4	12
	2	14
HOME RUN LEADERS		
Russ Ward, MISD		11
Hal Jacobs, F&A		6
Dave Bryant, MM		5
Dean Reese, GEM		5
Wayne Dahlke, GEM		5

Marv Throneberry and Dave Bryant each got four hits as Lindon Calvert hurled MM over Jack Bowen and the Safeguard entry.

Dean Reese connected with a three-run homer in the bottom of the sixth to provide GEM with their winning margin against Metrology. Ocke Fruchtnicht took the win over Ray Wernle.

Bill Third and Chuck Looney provided the offensive lead as Roland Brown hurled the Accountants past Metrology. Jon Worrell went six for eight in the double loss.

Sid Sapp came off the bench to stifle a late MM rally and protect the Missile System win over the leaders. Tom Johnson got the win as Lovejob went four for four and

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STANDINGS

American League			National League		
	W	L		W	L
MICOM II	15	0	MICOM I	13	2
MPs	11	4	Company A	13	2
Company C	9	6	Marines	8	6
Meddac	8	7	8th ETC	5	8
Safeguard	6	9	6th ETC	5	10
9th ETC	4	11	95th Cal	3	11
4th ETC	4	11	P&P	3	11
1st ETC	3	12			

Softball fans hoping for a close, well-played contest in last Friday's All-Star game got their wish, as the American League edged the National League, 5-4. There were only three errors in the game, but two of them meant the difference when the winning run scored in the bottom of the ninth inning.

Pitching Duel

Marvin Walker of Company A opened up on the mound for the National League, matched against Fred Helmer of Company C. Helmer set the side down in order in the first inning, while Walker retired three in a row after an opening single by Jerry Thomas. The Nationals drew first blood in the second when Quentin Diggs singled, stole second, and came home on Walt Fuller's double. There was no further scoring until the fourth when Terry Harding took the mound for the Americans. Two walks got him in trouble and a run-scoring single by Fuller and sacrifice fly by Gene Howey made the score 3-0.

American Rally

The AL All-Stars finally broke through in the fifth inning against Cal Done. Mike Spry's triple drove in Jerry Thomas to narrow the gap to 3-1. Then, in the sixth inning, Harding opened with a single and moved to third on a pinch-hit single by Rick Newman. A run scored on Don Watson's ground ball, and two more came across when Mike Oury lashed a single to right field, giving the American League a 4-3 lead.

Ron Lockwood took the mound for the Americans in the seventh. Gene Howey greeted him with a soft single to center and moved to second on a passed ball. Cal Done then blasted a long drive to left-centerfield, which was caught against the fence by Manny Chavez, Howey, tagging up from second on the play, never hesitated going around third and beat the relay to the plate in a very close play to tie the game, 4-4.

The Americans threatened in the seventh inning, but Sid Roberts came on to pitch in relief of Done and got out of the jam.

Anticlimactic finish

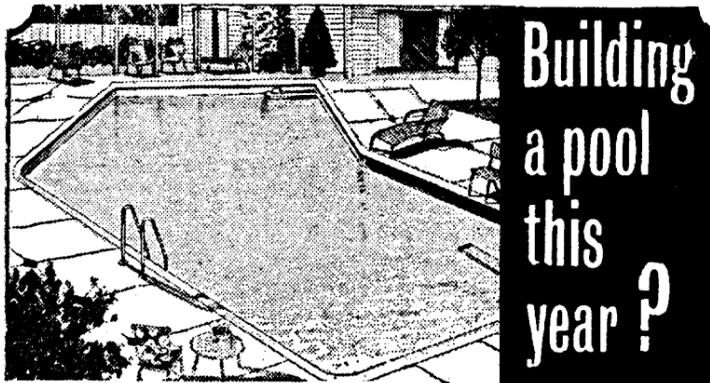
The finish was almost a let-down after an excellent game. Max Lawson led off the ninth inning for the AL. He swung and missed for strike three, but the high pitch got away from the catcher and Lawson reached first base. He then stole second base and when the throw was wild and into centerfield, Mississippi Max raced all away in to score the winning run.



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Lockwood, p	1	0	0	0
H. Thomas, c	1	0	0	0
E. Williams, c	3	0	1	0
Ash, ss	2	0	0	0
Newman, ph-rf	1	1	1	0
John Thomas, lf	2	0	1	0
Watson, 2b	2	1	0	1
Ottenbacher, rf	1	0	0	0
Oury, ph-ss	3	0	1	2
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NATIONALS

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Crowson, 2b	1	0	0	0
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M. Williams, ss	1	0	0	0
Stevens, 3b	3	1	0	0
Diggs, rf-lf	3	2	1	0
Northcraft, c-rf	4	0	0	0
Fuller, 1b	4	0	2	2
Howey, cf	4	0	1	1
Calmes, lf	2	0	0	0
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2b-Fuller, Harding. 3b-Spry. Winning pitcher—Lockwood. Losing pitcher—Roberts

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Propulsion Pioneer Retires

Frank W. James, the first Redstone employee to set up shop in missile propulsion development, retired at the end of June after more than 32 years of federal employment.

A second award of the Meritorious Civilian Service Medal was presented to James by Major Genral Edwin I. Donley, Commanding General of the Army Missile Command. In 1969 James was presented the Outstanding Civilian Service Award by the Department of the Army for the work he had participated in and overseen in the field of missile propellants, both solid and liquid. He was a pioneer in the solid propellant field and helped develop lightweight casings to which the propellant was bonded for greater efficiency in ignition and reduced costs in storage.

James became a recognized authority world for the work he



FRANK JAMES

participated in and directed.

A native of Birmingham, he received his bachelor of science degree with honors, from Howard College in 1932 and his M. A. from Columbia University in 1933.

He was employed by a chemical corporation after graduation and remained with the company as a research engineer in the fields of dyes and detergents until 1940 when he accepted a position with the Army Chemical Corps.

He served as chief chemical engineer for Huntsville Arsenal and received the War Department Commendation for Meritorious Civilian Service in this assignment. At the close of World War II, he was named to direct arsenal operations for Huntsville Arsenal and in 1949 was named director of the Propulsion Laboratory.

James has been active in a number of professional, scientific and engineering organizations and is a registered professional engineer in the State of Alabama.

Hightower New AUSA President

Lonnie N. Hightower was installed as president of the Tennessee Valley Chapter, Association of the U. S. Army last Thursday night during the chapter's annual meeting.

Other officers installed at the same time by C. C. Lee, a former chapter president and AUSA Fifth Region vice president, were:

Briabadiar General G. H. McBride, first vice president; W. A. Harper, Jr., second vice president; Avery Roan, secretary; and J. J. Weed, treasurer.

New directors installed were

Joyce Newton, Hubert Ford, Pat McCauley, G. Cooper, Sam Barnes and Joe Peters.

During the meeting the chapter presented the University of Alabama in Huntsville a check for \$500 for its school of nursing.

W. C. Smith, outgoing president, was presented with a branding iron and medallion.

Principal speaker for the meeting was Major General Allen M. Burdett, Jr., commander of the U. S. Army Aviation Center at Fort Rucker. Using slides, he told the story of Army activities at Fort Rucker.

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OUR ERROR

Mrs. Fay Bomar was inadvertently misquoted in the article "Fill'er Up" in last week's Rocket.

The comment "...I have been able to make a tank of gas last three weeks instead of two," should have read, "I have been able to go a couple days more between fillings."

CALIFORNIA
Department of the Navy merit promotion program vacancy announcement no. 16-73, general engineer GS-801-12 at Naval Plant Representative Office, Pomona, Calif. (open until filled). Submit SF-171 to Naval Plant Representative Office (Code ADP), P. O. Box 2505, Pomona, Calif. 91766.

Department of the Navy vacancy announcement dated June 19, 1973, civil engineer GS-810-12 at Naval Facilities Engineering Command, San Bruno, Calif. (closing date July 17, 1973). Submit application to Civilian Personnel Office, Code 017, Building 102, Western Division, Naval Facilities Engineering Command, P. O. Box 727, San Bruno, Calif. 94066.

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CONNECTICUT
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program vacancy announcement no. 19-73, electronics engineer GS-855-12 PD No. 19-19-1 at Groton, Conn. (closing date July 17, 1973). Submit SF-171 to Code 121, Supervisor of Shipbuilding, Conversion and Repair, USN, Groton, Conn. 06340.

MICHIGAN
Defense Property Disposal Service announcement no DPDS-31-73, budget analyst (two positions) GS-560-12 at DPDS Battle Creek, Mich. Submit SF-171 (and DLSC Form 45 if available) to Office of Civilian Personnel, ATTN: DPDS-IS (Corey Corbin), Room 2-1-15, Federal Center, Battle Creek, Mich. 49016.

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"I like the guys I work with, too. Everybody knows what they're doing. And they like what they do.

"I also like the benefits that come with the job. But mainly it's the diesel. I'm staying in to stay with it."

Why are you staying in?

