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Spring Change Over In Eleven Days

It's that time of year again to put the winter uniforms back into mothballs and take out the summer uniform.

The date of changeover will be the first Monday in April, which also happens to be the first day of the month. And, even though the first happens to be April Fool's Day, the unit commanders won't consider it a joke if you're caught wearing the winter uniform on that day.

There are still 11 days left in this month before the changeover. So, in order not to be caught in the last minute rush at the Post Exchange laundry and tailor shop, make your plans now to get your uniforms ready.

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Welcome Spring



Undecided . . . ?

Some people who have been accustomed to the independence of driving alone to work find it difficult to surrender that independence by carpooling.

It is true that loners are more independent but there are pluses on the carpool side and with per-gallon gasoline prices soaring above 50 cents they are causing more and more people to take a second look.

You can dramatically increase passenger miles-per-gallon by carpooling. If your carpool cars average, say 13 miles to the gallon and you share costs with three others, you are paying for only one gallon in four, and you are getting 52 passenger miles per gallon.

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And, you might enjoy it. According to the Federal Highway Administration, carpoolers say that when they are not at the wheel, tensions vanish and they come to work relaxed. They read, chat or just sit back and doze.

An added bonus is that you might find it possible to cut out one of the cars in your household.

You definitely can help cut driving time. If you had a four-member pool, you would remove three cars from your route. Another 100 pools like yours would take away another 300 cars. Traffic tie-ups would be reduced, driving time shortened.

And a lot of carpools would make a big difference in buying the time our nation needs to help resolve our energy problems.



Two-Wheelers

Crazy Locomotives

Bikers may be pedaling quietly along the arsenal's railway beds where once steel rail carried the huge and noisy locomotives chugging heavy freight.

The bike routes could come about as an offshoot to removal of the rail. The arsenal's railway system was closed last year.

A plan by the Missile Command, awaiting action at the Corps of Engineer, Mobile, would require a buyer of the railway material to put some of the bed in shape for bicycle paths.

The conditioned route would run South from the classification yard, near gate 9, paralleling Rideout Road, turn at Martin and go East to the switch yard located Northeast of Building 5250. From that point the path will go North to where the locomotive shops were located.

The biker could make his way along roads to the swimming pool on Vincent Drive. There he could catch an already established path to the housing area.

If year-end funds are available, an additional bicycle path will be established from the housing area to Madison Pike School.

Can You Help . . . ?

Dust off those new or used Materiel Command shoulder patches. The information office has use for them, rather, some fans do.

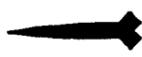
The following letter should give you reason for being proud to wear the patch and proud to share a surplus one:

"I am eleven years old and am very interested in the Army. You people do a great job in defending our country and make the United States what it is today, strong and free.

Each and everyone of you should be proud of yourself for serving such an honorable profession for our country. You make me proud to be an American. Someday I hope to enlist.

"Not long ago I started collecting different Army patches. I wrote to the U. S. Department of Army asking them for all the addresses to the different forts and installations. I would appreciate it very much if you could send me your insignia patch (which I am sure you are proud of) and I will proudly display it. . ."

The Information Office has received several letters such as this asking for the shoulder patch. If you have one to donate, we will forward it to one of the young fans.



The Rocket

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ANSWERS

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

QUESTIONS: Why has the Civilian Welfare Fund stopped funding the civilian sports program for this year?

Where is the money going that normally goes into the program? If this money is going some place else what are the benefits to the civilian employees?

ANSWER: The Civilian Welfare Fund Council has not, in effect, stopped the funding of civilian sports programs. Rather, financial sponsorship in a number of areas has been curtailed due to: (1) reduced revenue, and (2) a critical need to channel more funds toward the replacement of certain equipment in the cafeterias.

As you probably know, the Post Restaurant Council took over the management and the assets of the restaurants and vending machines in the predominantly civilian areas of the Arsenal (south of Neal Rd.) three years ago. The facilities are operated contractually with a percentage of the profits going to the Restaurant Council and, in turn, to the Welfare Fund. Decreasing patronage and increasing costs in recent months together with the requirement for a replacement of restaurant equipment has put a severe strain on the Council's operating funds.

The Restaurant Council has given first priority to the modernizing of the equipment as the means of best serve the long term welfare of Redstone civilians.

Army Committed To Priority Placement

The Secretary of the Army recently expressed appreciation for placement assistance already given Federal employees displaced by Department of Defense realignments, and called for renewed efforts along the same line.

Howard H. Callaway's comments were recently reproduced in a civilian personnel bulletin issued by Luther F. Adams, Redstone Arsenal Civilian Personnel Officer.

The Callaway memorandum reported on the contents of a White House memo signed by President Richard M. Nixon which said, in part, "We cannot afford to lose talented and exper-

enced personnel who qualify for existing vacancies."

Callaway credited the DoD program for stability of civilian employment with assisting and placement efforts through priority placement provisions and relocation expense allowances.

He re-stated the Army's commitment to assisting adversely affected employees in every way possible, and called for each employee to support the provisions and intent of the Priority Placement Program.

Callaway called for acceptance and productive placement of employees referred by civilian personnel officers for placement.

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Soon Enough For Another

One year ago this week 40 percent of Redstone Arsenal was inundated in the worst flood on the Tennessee River in more than 100 years. Members of Facilities Engineer Division who dug us out and patched us up will not forget the tidying. Neither will the program managers who found funds to do the job.

"They call this a 150 year flood," said John Cotney, Facilities Engineer, "I hope it is that long before another. Of course, that is an average. There have been several other cases where such floods came in twos or threes in short sequence."

Reconditioning began even as the murky water covered the lower arsenal. Estimates of damage to roadways and to the firing range were made. They were adjusted downward as the water receded and damage was not as great as feared.

Roadways became the most numerous victims of the flood. Damage occurred at, or near, bridges over streams flowing through the Arsenal. Much of the damage occurred not through the stream flow, but rather from the Tennessee washing back up-stream.

SHOULDER REPAIR

Road paving and shoulder repair was necessary on Buxton Road near Gate 2 and at the western end where Indian Creek crosses it. Martin Road damage was on the

West end near Indian Creek. Patton Road shoulders were repaired and paving was put down over damage done at Huntsville Spring Branch crossing.

"Cleanup of the fish was the worst," said Leon Towery, then with Roads and Grounds, "Flood water was trapped on the range and we pumped it out. When we got the area reduced to about 50 by 75 feet, it was alive with fish—mostly rough fish such as gar.

By then thousands had died from lack of oxygen and we disposed of them. Then we seined out the area. We disposed of the scavenger fish. I don't know how many pounds we must have buried from there and other areas near roadways."

The Tennessee brought unwanted items and of that Towery said, "We hauled away tons of silt. Debris was all over the area. It was one big mess."

The equipment and communication tunnels of the test area had been flooded. All the equipment in the area had to be reconditioned. Additionally, the buildings and tunnels needed mud removed to be again inhabited.

Material moved in for protection against the flood water was taken back. The largest single effort of this type centered around protection of the water treatment plant.

The engineers were prepared to sandbag and to cover the doors with plate iron. In event that failed

engineers planned to open the roof and lift the large machinery with hoists to above water level.

UNDER WATER

Another foot of flood water would have put the main domestic treatment plant under water. Because of this the Engineers have outlined an emergency plan which will pull the industrial water treatment plant into operation in conjunction with a smaller domestic water plant on high ground.

The plan is dependent upon funding for a small levee on two sides of the industrial water plant which is located near the river.

Bryant figures there was one bonus from the flood, and it went to the hunters. "Game was driven onto the Arsenal from the Wildlife refuge," he said. "Animals found food better than that of flooded area, so many remained. I believe that is why the deer harvest proved to be so much better this year than in any previous year.

Though well-remembered by individuals who took devious routes to work, or did not reach work at all, as well as by those who re-conditioned, the scars of the flood are largely gone.

Strips of new paving, paving on the center line road in the fange, new culverts on McKinley Range are the major reminders. Then, there are the big flood stories which persist.



FISH OUT OF WATER—John Cotney, facilities Engineer, and David Bryant, Installation Forrester, look over "Flood Victim", a bass picked up after the big 1973 flood and subsequently mounted. It hangs in the Facilities Engineer building as a memento of the largest Tennessee Valley flood in more than 100 years. "Flood Victim," represents the tons of fish stranded after the flood.

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Design Changes For Stinger Promise Four-To-One Return

MICOM's Stinger Project Office has won Army authorization to incorporate some major design changes into the development of its shoulder-fired air defense weapon system.

"We're making changes to reduce weapon costs—without sacrificing Army performance requirements," said Colonel David Souser, Stinger Project Manager who directs the program for both the Army and Marine Corps.

Souser said the modifications may delay fielding Stinger by a few months but the delay will be more than offset by substantial savings to the Army during production.

"These changes will lower the average Stinger unit cost," Souser said. "What we spend now during research and development, we expect to quadruple in savings once we enter production."

Among design changes planned for Stinger are elimination of some electronic parts; manufacture of a

reusable grip stock, sight assembly and IFF antenna; and elimination of a nuclear hardened container that was a requirement in the original Stinger baseline configuration.

Called Stingthrift, the program to redesign Stinger and cut weapon costs is the result of a comprehensive study by General Dynamics, prime contractor, working closely with the Stinger Project Office. It involved months of studies, briefings, close coordination and teamwork among themselves, the Army Missile Command, Marine Corps, Army Materiel Command and a host of other Army agencies.

The Stingthrift seed was planted about two years ago in a directive by Dr. John Foster, former director of Defense Research and Engineering.

"DoD must establish a price-per-item copy that is compatible with

the minimum required military performance," he said, "and with what we can afford to pay for the quality number of products we need. To accomplish this, we are willing to pay more in time and dollars in the R&D phase to assure achieving the desired unit production price and support cost."

Faced with that challenge, General Dynamics and the Stinger Project Office put together a team of design and production experts to examine every facet of the Stinger program for potential performance trade-offs and cost savings. They identified 26 areas that might affect unit costs.

"Those proposed items were reviewed and evaluated by everybody that had anything to do with Stinger development," Souser said. "We finally narrowed the list to six items that were the most feasible, practical and economical."

The colonel said the design changes will increase Stinger weight from 32 to 35 pounds and will require a slight extension of the program to complete engineering development.

But the return is worth the investment.

"For every dollar we spend in R&D, the Army anticipates a 4-1 savings during production," Souser said.

Stinger will be an all arms weapon that will give combat forces immediate air defense wherever they have to fight. Using the latest infrared technology, Stinger will be able to counter more sophisticated aircraft threats.

Mission-Retreat

Chaplain (LTC) Anthony P. Wilwerding will hold a mission and retreat for high school students Mar. 29, 30, 31 at St. Bernard's College in Cullman.

A mission at the Arsenal begins Apr. 6 and ends on Holy Saturday, April 13. Daily Masses will be in the Post Chapel at noon and 5 p.m.

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Changing Strategic Doctrine

Will To Respond Still A Primary Deterrent

(Editor's Note: Lieutenant General W. P. Leber, the Army's Safeguard System Manager, recently made a presentation on "The Deterrent Value of Ballistic Missile Defense." This presentation addressed the overall contribution made by Ballistic Missile Defense (BMD) to the nation's posture of strategic deterrence, first through an initial review of the evolution of BMD programs in light of the policy of deterrence, then a discussion of the deterrent value of future BMD programs in light of the limitations of the Anti-Ballistic Missile (ABM) Treaty. Excerpts from the presentation follow.)

"In the 1960's the measure of effectiveness was the 'Assured Destruction, criterion which postulated that deterrence could be maintained if it were clear that, following a large-scale nuclear attack, the U.S. could retaliate and

inflict an unacceptable level of damage on the population and industry of the attacker . . .

"In the 1970's, we have come to realize that the strategic doctrine must meet new criteria. While the specter of risk of an unacceptable

loss remains a factor in deterrence, the ability to kill millions of people is, in itself, probably not the most effective deterrent.

DRASTIC RESPONSE

"In fact, assured destruction is such a drastic response for less than all-out attacks that it could potentially lack credibility as a response to such attacks. While deterrence is still central to our strategic policy, credible deterrence in the 1970's will require greater flexibility and the capability to extend deterrence over a wider spectrum of possible contingencies . . .

"The measure of effectiveness of U.S. forces then is their ability to respond credibly to a wide range of confrontations and crises. Flexibility is now central to U.S. strategic policy . . .

"Throughout the 60's and 70's, even with the changing strategic policy and the derivative strategic force changes, the objective of all U.S. military forces has remained constant—deterrence is still the fundamental objective of U.S. military forces . . .

WILL TO RESPOND

"Just as beauty lies in the eye of the beholder, so the effectiveness of the U.S. deterrent force lies in the perception of a potential aggressor. If our deterrence is to be viable, there must be no doubt in his mind that the U.S. has the will to respond, but, in addition, the enemy must believe we can respond . . .

"Obviously, diversity in U.S. strategic forces along with their constant improvement continually poses a changing and credible deterrent to the Soviet hierarchy. The addition of a defense along with improvements to the offense further compounds the uncertainty of the Soviet offensive planner . . .

"Stagnation in a deterrent force can only reduce the uncertainty of the Soviet planner. Stagnation is the Achilles' heel of deterrence . . .

"The U.S. offensive weapons potentially had more survivability and, hence, more utility. Approximately 90 days after the announcement of the Sentinel system (later Safeguard) deployment decision, the Soviets indicated the matter of strategic arms control was under study and the subject was one to which they attached great importance. Soon thereafter they told the United Nations General Assembly they would consider entering strategic arms limitation agreements . . .

"In this business of strategic warfare, where a miscalculation can lead to self-annihilation, all reductions in levels of confidence are significant . . .

"The events indicate that, to date, BMD has served as a stabilizing influence in the international situation because BMD programs were an important factor in the opening and initial success of Strategic Arms Limitation Negotiations . . .

PRIME MOTIVATOR

"We have been told by the negotiators that this deployment was a prime motivator in limiting strategic arms deployment . . .

"If there ever was any doubt about BMD as an effective component of our deterrent as measured by the perception of its effectiveness by a potential adversary, that doubt was removed during the Strategic Arms Limitation negotiations . . .

"The Grand Forks Safeguard site is nearing completion. By completing this deployment, we force the Soviet planner to consider a system that has utility. Completion of the site demonstrates our belief in its effectiveness, the exact effectiveness being an unknown to the planner. All of these point to BMD as a major contribution to deterrence. Completion of the site allows the U.S. to gain practical, operational experience in BMD at



GEN. LEBER

a tactical site . . .

"Completion of the Site Defense Prototype Demonstration program, which also has been observed by Soviet monitors, provides positive evidence to the USSR of the potential of America to increase its BMD capability and be prepared to deploy if necessary . . .

SALT II

"Like Safeguard before it, Site Defense will provide an even greater incentive for the Soviet Union to negotiate in earnest during the second phase of SALT . . .

"DOD has recognized that Site Defense is the most cost-effective solution to Ballistic Missile Defense. We must demonstrate to the Soviet Union that Site Defense is feasible, that it has utility. If we do not so demonstrate, our deterrent and leverage in SALT could well be weakened . . .

"Two of the three parts of the U.S. ongoing BMD program are Safeguard and Site Defense. The third part supports the other two—a strong technological program . . .

"It is this element that demonstrates the resolve to continue and improve ballistic missile defense forces and in so doing, increases uncertainties in the mind of the Soviet planner. Dr. Kissinger noted in the recent Senate hearings that an on-going program is no obstacle to agreement. On the contrary, it may accelerate it. If it was true in SALT I, it is all the more true in SALT II and any future negotiations. In the past, the U.S. has capitalized on our technological superiority vis-a-vis the Soviets. We must maintain this superiority . . .

"We must continue to have a strong Ballistic Missile Defense program."



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Army Women Study Missiles, Munitions

Four Army enlisted women now studying at the Missile and Munitions Center and School here have entered an Army career field dominated by men for decades.

For the first time, women in the Army will study Nike radar and computers, Pershing missile systems and nuclear weapons electronics at MMCS.

The four women, Privates Doreen Bradley, Barbara Edwards, Evelyn Vila and Linda Yandt, say they have already found their courses intriguing. They've had interesting experiences outside the classroom, too. They currently occupy one floor along with seven other female trainees of a regular MMCS barracks that includes men of the 7th Enlisted Training Company.

Private Bradley was the first to arrive at MMCS. Originally from Elmira, New York, she's studying Nike computer and radar repair.

"At first, I expected living in the

barracks with men on the same floor would be like living at home with all my brothers," she said.

So far, she's had little trouble with the academic work at MMCS.

"I expect no academic problems unless I suddenly develop a mental block against learning," she added.

"I got the giggles when I first arrived here," said Private Edwards, "At Fort McClellan, (a basic training center for women in the Army) I was told that Redstone had a fantastic WAC detachment. Now I'm sharing a building with men. The first night I was here, they had a fire drill—a mandatory one, they say—to get us out of our rooms," she said.

Private Yandt, a native of Hollywood, Calif., says she had her doubts when starting a 25-week missile and mechanical systems repair course.

"I didn't think I could make it in electronics, and my doubts grew

more rapidly when I arrived and found only a handful of women here. I felt like a novelty piece placed on exhibit for all of the men," she said.

"But now I'm more optimistic about the course, and am gradually adjusting to the men's atmosphere as well," Yandt added.

During her MMCS schooling, Yandt will study missile electrical and mechanical subjects, including support maintenance of electrical, mechanical, hydraulic and hydro-pneumatic portions of a missile system.

Private Barbara Edwards will attend the 26-week Nuclear Weapons Electronics Specialist course under a guaranteed training enlistment option. A native of Whittier, Calif., Edwards was interested in electronics and data processing before entering the Army last October.

"My WAC recruiter was

delighted that I took this course," Edwards said.

Private Vila, from Puerto Rico, hasn't yet begun her 18-week Pershing missile electrical and mechanical repair course, but is expected to begin technical training when she has completed some English courses at MMCS.

Private Evelyn Vila says here English language ability will be critical to her success here.

"If I can get my English down pat, I think the course will be fairly easy," she said.

While women have been in the military for over 50 years, it has been only recently that women have been able to enlist for a wider range of Military Occupational Specialties (MOS's).

Recent changes in Department of the Army have opened up career fields in law enforcement, alcoholism counseling, aircraft maintenance, preventive medicine, warrant officer flight training, airborne and other areas, including missile maintenance.

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In recent years, several women who are Department of the Army civilian employees have attended classes and graduated from MMCS to become missile maintenance technicians.

Now, 434 of the Army's 482 MOS's are open to women.

All four women at MMCS expressed a common goal—to outscore their male counterparts in their respective courses.

"I felt the pressure every day," says Edwards, "but if I can be number one in my class, it will be worth all of it. I will be glad when it is all over and I can just sit back and laugh at the whole experience."

IEEE Luncheon

The Huntsville Section, Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers, will hold a luncheon meeting at the Officers Open Mess at noon on Friday, March 22.

The guest speaker for the day will be David Nicholas, of the Marshall Space Flight Center.

Reservations may be made through Robert Trenkle at 536-9611.



BASIC CIRCUITS—Private Doreen Bradley checks electronic components mounted on a training circuit with a multimeter during an early phase of her training. Her partner during the exercise is Sergeant Edtios Donopoulos of Greece. (U.S. Army Photo)

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Proposed Action Would Cut Out Colonels

WASHINGTON—The number of Army colonels and lieutenant colonels on active duty may be further reduced during Fiscal Year 1975 if legislation pending in Congress becomes law, the Department of Defense has announced.

Sponsored by the DOD and affecting the Army, Navy and Air Force, the proposal would authorize selective involuntary retirement and is referred to as Selective Continuation.

Introduced (HR11113), but not yet assigned to committee, it would authorize the services to convene selection boards which would consider certain regular officers for continued active duty or early retirement.

Officers eligible for consideration would be lieutenant colonels and commanders who have failed to be selected for promotion two or more times and colonels and captains who have served in grade at least four years.

Normal statutory retirement points for Army and Air Force officers are 30 years for colonels and 28 years for lieutenant colonels. In the Navy and Marine Corps these points are the same for captains and colonels but 26 years for commanders and lieutenant colonels.

CONSIDERED ONCE

Under terms of the proposal, an officer can be considered for continuation only once in each grade and at least 70 per cent of the

officers considered by the boards must be allowed to continue on active duty until their normal statutory retirement points.

Officers affected would be permitted to serve until completion of 20 years service for retirement purposes. In addition to the retired pay to which they are entitled, officers not selected for continuation would receive a lump-sum transition payment of \$4,000. This would be payable to those officers who on the date of enactment of the bill are serving in, or selected to, a grade from which they are later retired by a continuation board.

Although not excluded from the legislation, doctors and dentists would not be considered for early retirement in FY '75.

The early retirements planned in FY '75, if the legislation is approved, would enable the DOD to make further progress in reducing the numbers of senior officers and assist in efforts to restore balance in the officer grade structure as a consequence of the substantial force reductions which have occurred since 1969, the announcement said.

Senior officer reductions until now have been made through slowing of promotions which adversely affect the career opportunities of younger officers. Selective Continuation would spread the impact of the required reductions into the more senior groups and protect the future vitality of the Officer Corps.

The estimated number to be selected for early retirement, and the planned FY '75 strength reduction in the grades concerned for services using the authority, if enacted, is shown in the accompanying box.

Colonel-Captain FY '75		
	No. To Be Selected	Strength Reduction
Army	200	150
Navy	133	100
Air Force	200	150
Lieutenant Colonel-Commander FY '75		
Army	100	76
Navy	133	100
Air Force	320	240

RETIRED ANYWAY

The reason planned reductions in end strengths do not equal the number of officers who could be retired early is because it is expected that the continuation boards unavoidably would select some officers for early retirement who would have retired anyway.

The military departments each would prepare its own plan for implementation. In accordance with terms of the bill, they would prescribe the zones of eligibility, categories of officers to be considered, selection board procedures and other necessary regulations.

The key factor in when the Selective Retirement legislation would take effect is the date of enactment by Congress. After that, boards would have to be convened and selected officers notified.

The bill would allow officers selected to request their own date of retirement anytime within six months following approval of the board's report by the secretary of the military department concerned. With this notification period and allowing Congress time to act, it is expected that early retirements under the new legislation would not take effect before January 1, 1975.

Georgia Tech Professor Speaks

The regular monthly meeting of the North Alabama Chapter of Federally Employed Women is scheduled for Tuesday evening, March 26, at the Officers Open Mess.

Guest speaker for the evening with Dr. Morris Mitzner, professor of social sciences at Georgia Tech. Dr. Mitzner will speak on the topic, "The Socio and Psychological Aspects of Sex Discrimination in Employment."

FEW members are encouraged to be present for a very enlightening evening and visitors are welcome to attend. Dinner is at seven.

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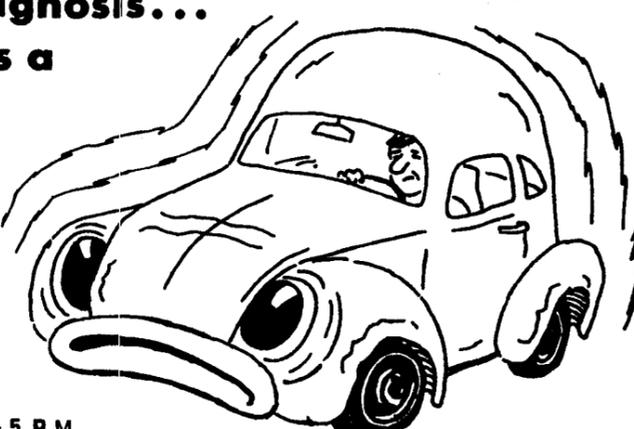
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Wanted Something Different

When Second Lieutenant Steven D. Schumacher came to Redstone sixteen months ago for his first tour of duty in the Army, he had no idea he would join a speleological society and discover his own cave.

"But I did," he said.

Schumacher, a native of Montana, is an Automated Data Processing coordinator in the Missile Command's Materiel Management Directorate.

"I didn't want my time at Redstone to be just an ordinary assignment. I wanted my tour of duty in the Army to be outstanding in my memory and decided to acquire a new hobby while I was here.

SPELUNKING FAMILY

"The mountains of North Alabama suggested an abundance of caves so my wife, Carol, and I quickly became enthusiastic spelunkers," he said.

"We knew nothing about caves before and were introduced to the hobby at a meeting of the local chapter of the National Speleological Society, the Huntsville Grotto.

"The Speleological Society is headquartered in Huntsville because the area is one of the best for caves and many world renown speleologists live here," he said.

Schumacher and his wife have explored caves on their own and have discovered, explored and are registering a new cave in the

Half-Fare Air Rate No More

WASHINGTON (ANF) — The half-fare military standby rate for airline tickets will disappear April 16, according to a March 14 ruling by the Civil Aeronautics Board (CAB).

Most airlines, however, have said they will wait until May 1 to implement new rates. So far, airlines have indicated they will react to the CAB ruling in one of the following ways:

—Raise standby rates to three-quarters of regular fare and make them available only on Fridays and Sundays. The rest of the week military personnel will be able to fly military reserve, which will also be three-quarters of the regular fare.

According to the CAB, airlines that have indicated they will adopt this approach are United, American, TWA, Eastern, Frontier and Southern.

—Eliminate the standby fare altogether, but make the three-quarters military reserve rate available every day of the week.

According to the CAB, airlines that have indicated they will adopt this approach are Delta, Braniff, Continental and Northwest.

The CAB ruling was made after United filed a proposal to raise the price of standby rates and limit their availability to Fridays and Sundays, the military rate remaining the same.

United claimed the present

Alabama cave survey. It is in the Anderson Creek area of Lauderdale County.

The Schumacher's are now active members of the Huntsville Grotto.

"Huntsville is the best area in the nation to start out in caving," he said, "the courthouse is built directly over a cave that was originally used for the first courthouse for Madison county.

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"The Speleological Society, headquartered on Pulaski Pike, is built over another cave and the largest speleological library in the U.S. is located here in Huntsville.

"I've been in 30 horizontal caves (don't have to climb) in this area, and 15 vertical caves (have to climb up and down) and I have found caving a rewarding and inexpensive hobby.

"There are over 400 registered caves within 50 miles of Huntsville. One of the largest and most famous of the 400 is Cathedral Caverns located near Grant.

Shelta cave, under the Speleological headquarters, had a wooden dance floor and was equipped with electric lights around the turn of the century before Huntsville had electric lights," he said.

200 FEET DOWN

Natural Well Cave on Monte Sano mountain goes down 200 feet into the mountain and members of

discounts were uneconomical, nothing that they were installed during the Vietnam war when there was a military draft and military pay rates were very low. All these conditions, United said, have changed dramatically.

The Department of Defense objected to the United proposal. The Army also filed its own objections, arguing that the current discounts were important to the morale and welfare of soldiers and were helpful in attracting and maintaining a volunteer force.

The CAB ruled in favor of United. However, it did decide the old standby/reserve rates could not be suspended until April 16 to give military personnel a chance to fly under them during the Easter holiday. United had wanted to suspend the old rates on April 1. United and other airlines then decided to postpone implementing new rates until May 1.

Mileage Rates Go Up

(ANF)—Here's good news for soldiers who use their own vehicles for local travel on official business.

The mileage rates for such trips have been increased to 8-cents a mile for motorcycles and 12-cents a mile for cars.

On July 1 PCS and TDY travel. The exact increases haven't been announced yet.

the Grotto perform rescue services for the cave.

Crossing Cave, near Cathedral Caverns is a new cave geologically speaking, noted for its beautiful pure-white limestone formations. (Limestone doesn't pick up color until after it ages.)

"The most interesting single thing I discovered about caves is the fact that they retain a constant temperature the year around, corresponding to the average annual temperature for that area. Caves in the Huntsville area are always about 50 to 60 degrees," Schumacher said.

"I've enjoyed Redstone," Schumacher said. "One thing in the line of duty I'll remember is escort duty. Some of the escort officers shun escort duty but I enjoy our visitors. I've recently had foreign groups and a group of R.O.T.C. students."

A graduate of Montana State University, he holds degrees in physics and mathematics and plans to return to Montana to teach when he leaves the Army in July.



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Headed by T. A. Childress, personnel of this office are on call 24 hours a day. They know that a deployed missile system must be continually maintained in a state of combat readiness against the time it might be called on, without advanced notice, to perform its mission.

"This state of readiness is

dependent upon availability of skilled personnel, reliable equipment, adequate maintenance and supplies," Childress said, "and aggressive attention is continual by personnel of this office to sustain this achievement."

"The primary effort of getting the repair part or skill to the place where it is most urgently needed is supplemented with a secondary effort that keeps MICOM management and higher level command channels apprised of significant readiness situations."

Childress said the responsibility of meeting the goal of combat readiness at MICOM had been assigned to the Materiel Management Directorate and that Colonel Ivan R. Prince, Jr., the director, is the MICOM Logistics Readiness Officer.

"Colonel Prince relies on my office to keep him and members of

staff abreast of our combat readiness position.

"Of course we are in continuing contact with him, the deputy director, A. A. Stewart, and the various project managers, special items managers, and other functional directors in the MICOM organizational complex.

"To accomplish our mission there has to be an extensive interchange of information through weapons system coordinators who concentrate on sustaining a high level of readiness on each of the MICOM managed missile systems," he said.

Childress said that in short the job was to assure tactical equipment users, MICOM, AMC and the Department of the Army, that missile systems receive the timely support necessary to keep them at the highest possible readiness level.



MARINES CAPTURE TROPHY—Captain John R. Murray, officer in charge of the MMCS Marine Corps detachment, presents the School Brigade marching trophy to Marine Sergeant Donald E. Heath. Heath, an instructor in the Munitions Department of MMCS, was Marine Corps platoon leader during the competition.

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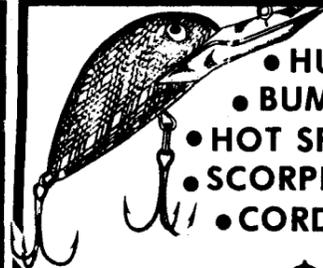
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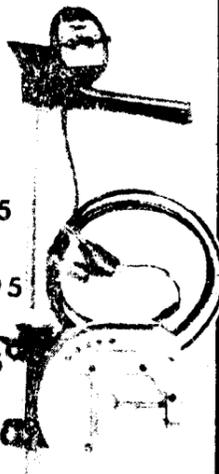
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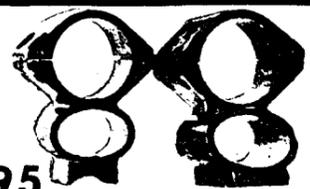
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Missilemen Outlast Cops In Post Meet

Gruelling Schedule Too Much For Scrappy MPs

By Dave Cowan

Before a lively crowd of spectators, the missilemen from MICOM upended the 291st MPs, 59-48, in the final game of a March 8 doubleheader at the Post gym for the Post basketball championship.

The cops forced the second meeting of the night an hour earlier with a 68-57 win. The MP win evened both club records at one loss in the double-elimination tournament. After a 60-minute pause, the teams went back at it with MICOM pulling out the win and the title.

In the final game, the MPs seemed on their way in jumping off to a 12-2 lead with 1:23 left in the first quarter, highlighted by two unbelievable 20-footers by Sanders. But in the last minute of play, the missilemen scored five unanswered baskets to end the period deadlocked with the MPs at 12-12.

In the second quarter, MICOM rolled out to a 10-point advantage using their classic style of play—fast breaking—to take a 27-17 halftime lead.

The cops whittled the margin to six points, 36-30, with 3:17 left in the third stanza, but that was as close as they got.

Ron Castine led the missilemen with 16 points, while Gene Howey, Willie Williams and Arthur Perrin netted 12 each. Newcomer Willie Rice grabbed 22 biggies for the MPs.

For the MPs, it was an uphill struggle all the way as they

played two more games, including two doubleheaders within a five-day period. The lawmen advanced to the final round by defeating the 8th ETC, 66-60, a day before the showdown.

However, the MPs showed no signs of fatigue in the first game of the finals against the missilemen as they soared to a 68-57 win.

The cops took a 18-16 lead in the first quarter, increasing their lead to five points at halftime, 34-29. In the closing seconds of the first half, Ray Smith sank a 30-footer at the buzzer to narrow the MPs lead to five.

The missilemen moved within one point of the MPs in the third stanza, 35-34, with 7:20 left, but the battling cops increased their margin to six points at the close of the period. In the final period, the MPs racked up an 11-point advantage for the win.

Both teams displayed fine free-throwing as MICOM hit seven of eight attempts from the charity line, while the MPs netted 12 of 16. Charlie Sanders, Richard Mitchell and Willie Rice led the lawmen with 22, 18 and 13 points respectively, while Ray Smith had a 20-point performance for the missilemen, followed by Gene Howey and Willie Williams with 12 and 10.

In the post-game ceremonies, MP Charles Sanders was named Most Valuable Player (MVP) during the playoffs, while Tom Garrett of SSG received honors

as high scorer during league competition. Garrett averaged 30.4 points per game. Steve Scott of 4th ETC captured the One-On-One Tournament trophy, while the 8th ETC of the American division and the MPs of the National circuit accepted team trophies for finishing first in their leagues during the regular season.

A climax to the ceremonies was the presentation of the play-off awards to MICOM for first place and the MPs as runners-up. Each team member received individual trophies.

Winning's A Habit

Winning awards is nothing new for the Marine Corps detachment at the Missile and Munitions Center and School, but the leathernecks recently earned another trophy with a new wrinkle.

This time, they captured honors for the first monthly drill competition, recently organized by Colonel Joseph A. DeSantis, School Brigade commander.

Before the new competition, units received recognition for excellence during monthly retreat parades at Redstone. The new monthly march-offs, held the last Wednesday of each month, are for platoons rather than entire units.

Each unit in the School Brigade and the attached Marine detachment will field one platoon, consisting of four squads of six men each, four squad leaders, one platoon sergeant and a platoon leader, all volunteers.

Each unit's platoon practices at least three hours weekly to develop and maintain skills in drill movements. During competition, officers and senior NCOs not directly associated with any participating team score the platoons on the basis of precise execution of close order drill movements.

Competition for the School Brigade traveling trophy is expected to begin about 1:30 p.m. each last Wednesday, with selection and trophy presentation to be the same afternoons.

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 291st MPs 73 — Meddacs 60
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NAME	TEAM	GA	FG	FT	TP	AVG.
Banks, Willie	4th	4	47	16	110	27.5
Morgan, Willie	8th	4	48	11	107	26.8
Smith, Raymond	MI	5	40	19	97	26.8
Boler, Clifford	8th	2	18	3	39	19.5
Harris, Fred	B	2	19	1	39	19.5
Scott, Steve	4th	4	35	8	78	19.5
Bryant, Harry	9th	3	25	1	51	17.0
Rice, Willie	MP	7	57	16	133	19.0
Sanders, Charles	MP	7	48	14	110	15.7
Conley, R. W.	C	2	14	0	28	14.0
Ashton, Al	Med	3	16	2	34	11.3
Castine, Ron	MI	5	27	4	58	11.6
Williams, Willie	MI	5	30	4	64	12.8
Mitchell, Rich	MP	7	48	8	104	14.9
Howey, Gene	MI	5	29	8	66	13.2
Zehner, Bobby	MP	7	33	11	77	11.0
Ward, Jim	Med	3	19	1	39	13.0
Ross, Harry	C	2	12	2	26	13.0
Fields, Mike	B	2	13	0	26	13.0
Rooker, Mickey	Med	3	16	6	38	12.7
Whitfield, J. F.	C	2	11	3	25	12.5
Grubbs, Milton	8th	4	21	3	45	11.3

Arsenal Booters Claim 7-2 Win On Saturday

The Redstone soccer team dumped the University of Alabama 7-2 at the Arsenal soccer field Saturday afternoon, bringing the RSA season mark to 1-3-0.

Guenther Schuette of the Redstone squad led the scoring with penalty shot after Tuscaloosa was charged with hand-to-ball contact. Harry Pahlke and Nicholas Pasvantis scored one goal each for Redstone.

The Redstone win last weekend continued the Redstone-Tuscaloosa tradition of each team winning only at home.

Coach Joachim Giesler of Redstone attributed the home winning streaks of Alabama Soccer Association teams to the long bus rides by visiting squads.

"Teams who play after a three to five hour bus ride have a disadvantage," he pointed out.

Twelve ASA teams from Alabama compete in play sanctioned by the organization, including St. Bernard College, Oakwood College, Maxwell Air Force Base and the Tuskegee Institute.

With more games on the schedule, Giesler says he's looking forward to stiffer competition and finer soccer. To stay competitive, Giesler says, he has to recruit.

The coach invited Huntsville players interested in trying out for the team to visit practice sessions Monday and Thursday afternoons.

Redstone's next game is April 6 in Birmingham against the Internationals.

April 20, the Redstone squad travels to the Port City for the Mobile Soccer Tournament. Last year, they placed second among the 12 teams playing.

Berths Open On RSA Pistol Team

Active duty military personnel interested in competitive pistol shooting are invited to contact the Redstone team to try out for the post pistol competition squad.

"The team just lost two members who have been assigned elsewhere," said team spokesman Pete Alley.

The team must fill two openings immediately in order to field a complete squad and two additional spaces on the team are available.

Team members fire .22, .38 and .45 caliber firearms in competition

classified to provide a chance for beginners and experts alike.

The team is currently practicing for entries in the U.S. Army Rifle and Pistol Championships, to be held at Ft. Mead, Md., April 18 through 26.

The RSA club has won every monthly First Marksman team competition against the two NASA squads since October.

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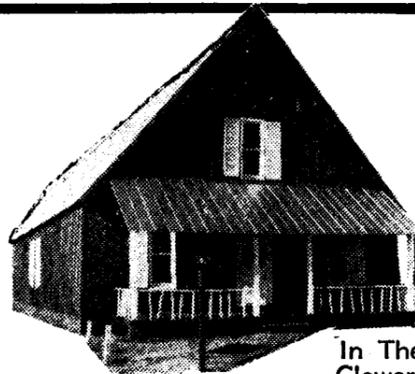
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MISD Regains Civilian Title

The CWF basketball trophy is back in Building 5201 after an absence of a year following a 55-52 victory that MISD scored at the expense of Missile Intelligence at the old Post Gym last Tuesday.

The league race was just about to end in a three-way deadlock with Stinger joining MISD and MIA at the top when the Computeremen erupted to wipe out a 12-point deficit and claim the win.

Stinger ended a game back of the winners with MIA coming in another length back. The Stinger crew captured the title last season while wearing the Corps of Engineers colors.

The top three teams race along

with the fourth place finishers from R&E will represent the CWF in the annual Army/NASA tournament scheduled for the week of April 4.

One of the Marshall teams have taken the title in each of the last two years with the Army coming back each time to win the season-ending All-Star contest.

In the last game of the regular season MIA, with Mose Hall and Jerry Baldwin doing most of the damage led throughout the first half and took a 26-24 margin into the intermission.

The second half was more of the same and MIA appeared to be coasting home with a 12-point lead and only three minutes showing on the clock.

During that three-minute span the MISD shooters started finding the range with James Love and Bob Hubbard showing the way. Each collected seven points during the spree and Elliott Agee and Fred Smith had a goal apiece in the 18-3 blitz that brought victory.

Love ended the evening with an even two dozen counters and Hubbard collected 17 including five for five from the charity line in the closing minutes. Agee collected eight points and Smith had six.

Hall topped MIA with 15 and Baldwin hit for 13. Rick Nichols had ten, and Larry Phillips, Billy Williams and Curt Gentry completed the scoring.

Tough For Dependents

In going AWOL you not only face an almost 100 percent chance of capture but you and your dependents lose all benefits accrued to your service time.

A couple weeks ago, the wife of a serviceman who had been killed in an accident last November, tried to apply for Servicemen Group Life Insurance (SGLI) benefits but received none because he had been in deserter status since last September.

Almost all deserters are captured "sooner or later" according to Captain Darryl Yank of Internal Security and Chief of the AEOL Apprehension team.

"Last year the Redstone MP's and the Huntsville police captured 361 deserters. This year so far they have captured 70."

Bona fide deserter status applies to someone who is listed as AWOL for a period of thirty days.

A man is listed as AWOL from the first day he misses muster. After 30 days this becomes a DFR (Dropped From Roles) and he is in official deserter status. After 60 days the FBI is notified. If stationed overseas, DFR listing comes after five days.

When a man's name is turned in as a deserter, it is fed to the U. A. Army Deserter Information Point and entered in the National Crime Information Center. This is the list of all AWOL personnel. Flyers or Wanted Posters are sent out to the area where the man was stationed, and to his original home town.

Locally the Military Police and the Huntsville police cover Madison County, the Huntsville police being provided the incentive (open to all civil authorities) of a \$25 reward for the apprehension and return of AWOL's to the Military Police.

"We have picked them up after periods as long as five years and as short as a couple of minutes," Yank said.

"One man turned himself in last year who had been a police chief of a small town in Tennessee for two years, but had been AWOL for five years, and was afraid they would find out about him.

"Another man was picked up last January by the Huntsville police while walking just outside the gate, and upon contacting us we found out his unit had just made out AWOL papers on him."

AWOL's in surrendered status (gave themselves up) are usually ordered back to their unit for non-judicial punishment at their commanders discretion.

The maximum he can receive in this situation is a bust one grade lower.

If in apprehended status (captured involuntarily) chances are much greater of getting the court martial, as with multiple offenders.

"But the emphasis now is on rehabilitating the prisoners" Yank added.

When in a deserter status, the man has no benefits, and neither do his dependents.

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"Easter Song"

The Post Chapel's ecumenical choir will present Easter Song, a cantata by John W. Peterson, at seven p.m., Easter Sunday.

The music and theme are similar to the cantatas presented last year at Easter and Christmas. Mrs. Gary Nearhoff is the director.

SFC Nearhoff and Eunice Ford will play the piano and organ. The program is approximately one hour long.

Soloists include Liane Mathis, Beth Wood and Louise Macey, sopranos; Jan Woiten, alto, Maj. John Woiten, bass; CPT Ric Flack, tenor and Lester Strickland.

Bowling

Results



S&M League

STANDINGS

	W	L
Reba's Apparel	28	16
Lobos	28	16
Clowns	27 1/2	16 1/2
Sidewinders	24	20
Strikers	23 1/2	20 1/2
Interns	22	22
Outcasts	21	23
Lot-o-Pins	19	25
Outhouse Lounge	18	26
Misfits	10	34

LAST WEEK

Lobos-4 — Sidewinders-0
Outhouse-4 — Misfits-0
Clowns-3 — Outcasts-1
Rebas-3 — Lot-o-Pins-1
Strikers-3 — Interns-1

TOP SHOOTERS

Chip Jennings, (574; Mac Baeder, 569 (223); Ted Blake, 562 (226); Sid Rhodes, 548 (218); Charles Robinson, 545; Earl Schmidt, 543 (234); Vern Benson, 537 (220); Lou Suchic, 537.

FRIDAY MIXED

Standings (Top Ten)

	W	L
Sand Hills	76	28
H.J.'s	68	32
Outhouse Gang	64	32
Hob-Nobs	60 1/2	35 1/2
Travelers	60	36
Busy Bees	58 1/2	37 1/2
Bugs	57	39
Mis-fits	57	39
Perry's Winkles	56	40
Joker's Wild	54	42

High series: Fred Helmer, 557; John Beyea, 534; Ed Gerheuser, 528; Terry Harding, 522; Bear Gray, 538; Hugh Mauney, 521; Mary Dorrough, 503; Doris Mc-Adams, 491.

High games: Bear Gray, 208; Hugh Mauney, 207; Ed Gerheuser and Ken Lad, 200; Geneva Gillespie, 199.

Recreation Area Visited Saturday

The Recreation Center will sponsor, a tour and sight-seeing trip to Joe Wheeler Dam and State Park, on Saturday. The bus leaves the center at nine.

Located in Lauderdale and Lawrence Counties this Dam and Park offers the city tourist a getaway world of 2,600 acres for recreation and relaxation.

Military personnel and their guests planning to make the tour must register at the Recreation Center by three, Friday afternoon, or call 876-4531 or 876-5492 for further information. A picnic lunch will be provided for those making this tour.

AMC League

STANDINGS

	Pts
Bandits	64
What Ifs	63
Sheraton	57 1/2
Rockets	54
Alley Cats	53 1/2
Bombers	53
Hughes TOW	53
Spares	51 1/2
Fat Cats	50
T-Birds	47
Sprinters	42
All-Sports	41 1/2
Lancers	40
Tigers	30

LAST WEEK

Spares-4 — Alley Cats-0
T-Birds-3 — Lancers-1
Hughes-3 — Bandits-1
All-Sports-3 — Bombers-1
Sheraton-3 — Tigers-1
Fat Cats-2 — Rockets-2
What Ifs-2 — Sprinters-2

LEADING SCORERS

Fred Helmer, 595 (230); Bob Eiden, 581; Chuck Turner, 570; Dave Pentecost, 562; Art Frederick, 557; Ernie Rhodes, 547 (222).

Monday Mixed

	W	L
O'Dragon	62	30
Snoopy Snoozers	58 1/2	33 1/2
Strike Outs	55 1/2	36 1/2
L&M's	53	39
Hover Lovers	52 1/2	39 1/2
Tanglefeet	51 1/2	40 1/2
Gotcha's II	51	41
Nite Owls	50	42
Moback's	45	47
Noboutadoutii	43	49
Black & White	41	51
Odd Balls	39	53
213 Bombers	38 1/2	53 1/2
3 plus 1	36	56
Riff Ruffs	34	58
Luckless IV	25 1/2	66 1/2

Last Week

Nite Owls 4 — Moback's 0
Hover Lovers 4 — Tanglefeet 0
O'Dragon 4 — Riff Ruffs 0
Noboutadoutii 3 — 3 plus 1 1
Snoopy Snoozers 3 — Luckless IV 1
Gotcha's II 3 — Odd Balls 1
213 Bombers 2 — L&M's 2

High team game: Snoopy Snoozers, 668; Strike Outs, 661.

High series: O'Dragon, 1885; Nite Owls, 1858.

High games: Mike Jurca, 222; Fred Smith, 213; Loretta Lowery, 185; Judi Dwyer and Eloise Miller, 177.

High series: Bill Sevey, 555; Pete Dwyer, 547; Mike Jurca, 543; Fred Smith, 532; Al Fasnacht, 531; Readie Kelly, 482; Barbara Jones, 478.

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Electrical Signals Get Investigation

Only finishing touches remain for the Army Missile Command to make on a new test facility just completed at Redstone to evaluate effects of electromagnetic energy on Army missiles and equipment.

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Innocent Violation

Sgt. John Doe and his wife were flattered by the telephone call.

It came from the manager of the appliance store who had sold them a color television set. Sgt. and Mrs. Doe had been very pleased with the way they had been treated there. The price was more than right. When they had a minor problem with the set, a repairman had appeared almost instantly and handled it with no charge.

The Does were so pleased that they wrote a letter to the store manager and told him so. He followed up with a call inviting the Does to pose for a photo. The photo wound up in a newspaper advertisement. The store, of course, obtained the Does permission first.

Sgt. Doe, in uniform, and Mrs. Doe appeared smiling in the advertisement and were quoted as saying they had been very pleased with the product and the service received, which was all fine except that by posing for the photo in uniform and allowing his military title to be used in the advertisement, Sgt. Doe innocently violated Army regulations.

Specifically, AR 360-5, para. 15 b says the following:

"Individuals may not endorse commercial products in such a way as to involve the Army uniform or their title or grade or express or imply other official Army connection therewith."

There is also a paragraph (4-2(5) in AR 600-50) in another reg which states: "Except as authorized by law or regulation, military personnel will not use their military title or position in connection with any commercial enterprise or in endorsing any commercial product."

Chaplains End AMC Workshop

The second Army Materiel Command Chaplains Workshop in Communications Arts is being hosted here this week at the Skycenter, Madison County Jetport.

The speaker for this morning is Major James B. Shannon, Communications Arts Division, Army Command and General Staff College, Ft. Leavenworth, Kan. His lecture will be "Two case studies in Small Group Work and Small Group Feedback."

This afternoon, the Workshop will break up into groups for separate discussions.

A banquet was held Monday evening with introductory speeches by Chaplain (colonel) Gene M. Little, Colonel George F. Gregg, Chaplain (Colonel) William V. O'Connor, and Lieutenant Colonel James L. Lorder, Jr.

The speaker yesterday morning was Dr. William A. Convooy, professor, Department of Speech and Drama, University of Kansas. He spoke on "Workshop-Principles of Background Techniques and Applications".

The Workshop will be concluded tomorrow with a general session hosted by O'Connor. Adjournment is planned for 2:15 in the afternoon.

microwave oven, the test facility is part of the Test and Evaluation Directorate and is called the Electromagnetic Radiation Effects Test Division.

"We are interested in stray electrical signals to determine if they could inadvertently cause the firing of a motor or warhead," said Charles Ponds, Chief of the division, "but our primary mission is to evaluate radiation effects on missiles and equipment."

"Any missile that depends on electrical devices for guidance can be affected by radiation," said Phil Carmack, facility test engineer. "Now we can determine early in the development cycle of a weapon system what those influences are—and design the system to overcome them."

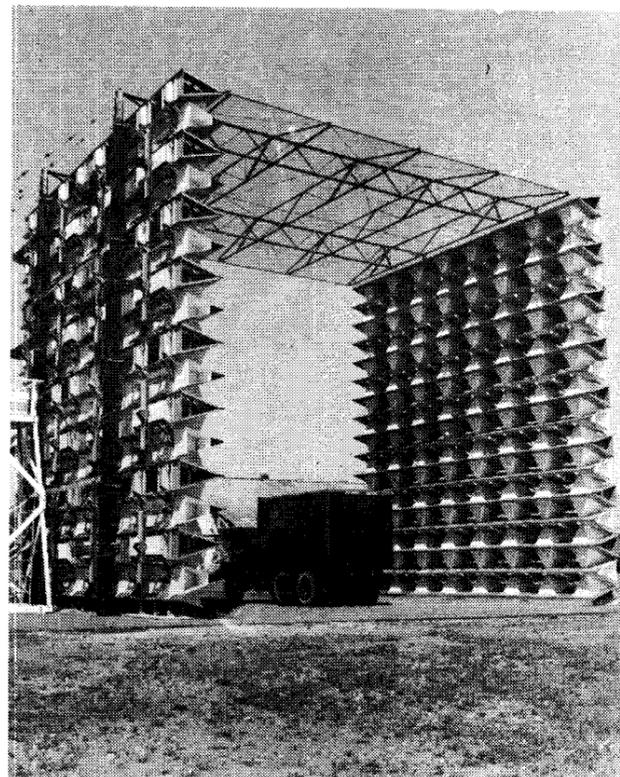
Carmack said MICOM can test almost any missile—even put the entire weapon system in the chamber whether it's mounted on a tank, helicopter or wheeled vehicle. Among Army missiles now in development that MICOM will test are SAM-D, Stinger, Hellfire, and Shorads.

Inside Bldg. 8795, located in a remote southeast corner of the arsenal in the old Line 6 area, there's a transmitter that can generate a broad spectrum of frequencies from very low to ultra high. Outside, looking like a honeycomb for giant bees, is the 40-foot-cube radio frequency test chamber which is powered by the transmitter. The chamber, that can simulate just about all the electromagnetic environments a missile might undergo in actual flight.

With the entire operation computer controlled, the RF facility can transmit, radiate and even absorb energy so that none escapes into the atmosphere.

The computer runs the test, gathers data and provides a printout for test engineers that shows how equipment performed in the radiation environment.

Prior to completion of the facility, some similar testing was done at White Sands Missile Range and at Picatinny Arsenal, Carmack said, although "... neither place has a capability like this."



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Dental Service Limits

A story appearing on page 15 of last week's issue of this newspaper stated that dental service would be reduced for retired military personnel effective April 1. That is not correct. Retired personnel will be treated at the Redstone Arsenal Dental Activity as they have been in the past.

There is a change coming April 1, but it effects only dependents of retired military personnel and dependents of active duty military personnel, and only those dependents living outside a 30 mile radius of Redstone Arsenal.

This is the situation:

The Dental Activity has limited staffing and resources, not enough to provide routine care for all those authorized dental treatment. The dental activity is now providing care for active duty military personnel, their dependents, retired personnel and their dependents, subject to the availability of space, facilities and professional staff.

Effective April 1, only those authorized dependents of active duty personnel and dependents of retirees living within a 30 mile radius of the arsenal will be eligible for routine dental care.

Because demand exceeds currently available resources, the following priority system has been established for routine treatment:

1. Active duty personnel.
2. Dependents of active duty personnel living within a 30 mile radius of Redstone.
3. Retired personnel.
4. Dependents of retired personnel living within a 30 mile radius of the Arsenal.

There will be no change in the provision of emergency care.

The dental activity has also established a limit of two weeks in advance for booking dental appointments for routine care. Experience has shown booking appointments further than two weeks in advance contributes to an increase in broken or forgotten appointments. A call list will be established and patients will be notified by mail of appointment times when the two week limit is exceeded.

If it is determined that the provision of certain types of routine dental care will be beyond the requirements of the dental service due to the requirements for active duty personnel, those types of routine care must be curtailed.

The problem is not limited to Redstone. Most installations in the United States have been compelled to limit dental service because of a shortage of staff, facilities and resources. Some are authorized to treat only active duty personnel.

Sunrise Services

Sunrise services are scheduled for six Easter morning April 14, behind the Post Chapel.

The service is jointly sponsored by the Post Chaplains and the Greater Huntsville Ministerial Association.

Two choirs and the 55th Army Band will present the music.

Herbert Banks, headmaster of Baylor Schools, will present the sermon. Chaplain (Maj.) Clyde Wood and the Rev. Donald B. Bailey of the First Presbyterian Church in Huntsville are coordinating the program.

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Boone, assigned to Safeguard System Command, is a successful hunter and he has the trophies to prove it. Since his early start in Roseville, South Carolina at the age of nine, Boone has hunted all over the United States and has many of his trophies mounted.

In fact, he has acquired so many trophies his den looks like the hall of horns and his wife has relegated some of his prizes to the garage.

Army assignments have given Boone an opportunity to hunt in many different areas. He shot a six point buck in New Hampshire, an eight pointer in Maryland, a nine pointer in Colorado

and a six pointer at Redstone. Though he really likes hunting in Alabama, Boone had some of his biggest and most successful hunts in Colorado. During two seasons, he got an elk, an antelope, and a mule deer in addition to pheasant, geese, ducks, quail and a lone coyote.

"I love to hunt deer, but I like quail and bird hunting almost as well . . . it's really hard to say which I like best. My 13 year old son, Louis, likes dove hunting and is good at shooting on the wing. The last time we were hunting together, he nearly outshot me. When the day's hunting was over, I ended up with only one more . . . he's a mighty good shot," Boone added.

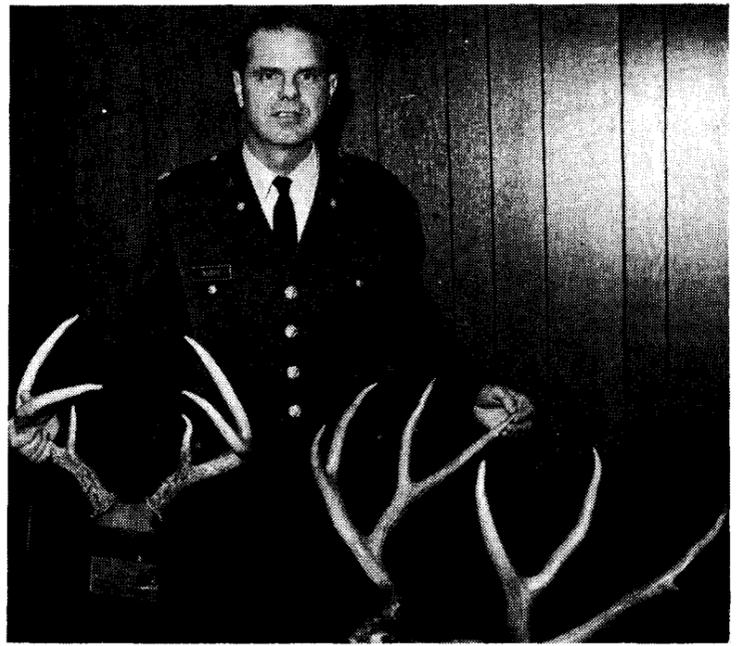
While many of his hunting trips have been thrilling, Boone

rates his wild boar hunt in Hawaii as one of the most exciting.

"I went out with a native Hawaiian friend on a wild boar hunt. These wild boars are mean and hard to handle because they will charge and rip you if they can. Our dogs cornered a wild boar weighing about 125 lbs.

"I was laying back a little to get a shot and be able to get out of the way if the slug didn't stop him. I was sure surprised when my Hawaiian friend rushed in and killed the boar with a knife.

"Those long tusks are capable of ripping a man open and that was a lot closer than I want to get to something that mean and vicious. It was a thrill, but he can have that knife hunting."



Hunter's Trophies . . . Boone

Army Chopper To The Rescue

An Army helicopter from the Redstone Airfield was used Thursday to fly an injured Huntsville teenager, Parri Parrish, from Monte Sano to a local hospital following her rescue from the bottom of a steep bluff where she had fallen.

This was the first time an Arsenal helicopter had flown such a mission.

Arsenal authorities responded to a call for assistance from the Huntsville Police Department, and reached the scene within 15 or 20 minutes.

On arrival, helicopter pilots Chief Warrant Officers Richard Bosworth and James Schuurmans, considered lowering ropes to the injured girl, but decided that would not be a safe means of moving her as the extent of her injuries were not known.

The pilots then monitored the scene from the air and relayed information to people on the ground as to the best approach for reaching the girl.

Redstone helicopters are not equipped with hoists for lowering and raising slings for rescue missions.

Canvasser Openings Available

Openings are available in the MMCS Student Recruiting Program (SRP) for qualified soldiers who like to travel and talk about their work.

Members of the SRP will be selecting volunteers for duty as program canvassers. Canvassers travel throughout the U.S., talking to young men and women about career opportunities available through MMCS schooling.

To be considered for positions, volunteers must project a professional image of the Army, be available for TDY for periods of 45 to 60 days, and hold a primary MOS in the missile maintenance field.

In addition, they must be high school graduates with a GT score of 95 or higher, and must have been assigned to MMCS for at least six months.

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Drive Leaders Named By AER

The Army Emergency Relief-Army Relief Society campaign key persons have been named to form the drive's organization.

Second Lieutenant William M. Kruidenier, AER Officer, said that the group of 42 persons was selected based upon organizational elements.

"Organizations, such as the Missile and Munitions Center and School will name additional individuals to assist in the fund drive," Kruidenier said. He added that the campaign is open to all who wish to contribute, though the funds go to assist active duty and retired Army persons and dependents in this area.

Locally individuals received \$21,150 in loans or grants this past year.

Persons who hold key positions and their organizations and phone numbers follow:

LTC D. W. Clark, ARDCOM, 876-5941; 2LT Thomas A. Hintz-SSG Thomas Profis, USAMMCS, 876-2002; 1LT, C. R. Wanzer, MED-DAC, 876-3166; CSM John J. Laskowski, Special Troops, 876-3791; Major D. E. Smith, Readiness Group, 895-3821; Major Robert M. Duggan, SAFEGUARD, 895-4150; CPT T. M. Devanney, P&A Dir, 876-7312; CPT C. V. Farthing, Special Systems, 876-5010; LTC Wilson Hamilton. Roy

Accardi, Targets, 876-4153.

CPT Bernard Verdier, RASA, 876-1672; 1LT Kerry Pullen, Ms1 Int Agency, 876-1781; 1LT Martin Lopez, Jr., Product Assurance Dir, 876-5516; LTC J. D. Horne, Jr., MISC, 876-4639; CPT Jack M. Paul, P&P Dir, 876-7164; 1LT Robert M. White, Mat'l Mgmt Dir, 876-5266; W1 Joseph Johnson, Maintenance Dir, 876-3231; LTC Robert S. Cannon, RDE, 876-5401; SP4 John P. McCarty, Legal Office, 876-3166; SSG Joseph Stevenson, Communications Electronic Div, 876-5861.

SFC John C. Piette, Met & Cal, 876-7412; Major Richard M. Pilcher, PT&FD, 876-2896; W2 Harry L. Childress, Airfield, 876-2186; CPT Ford G'Segner, Post Chapel, 876-2409; COL Brandon L. Parker, IG, 876-4905; SP5 Robert Colp, Comptroller, 876-1721; Ms. Courtney Poteet, Hellfire, 876-1271; Major Lawrence E. Sisterman, Lance, 876-1410; LTC W. M. Lewis, Jr., SAM-D, 876-2529; Mar. Nancy Pepper, ADCCS Dir, 876-1493; Major H. M. Richardson, TOW, 876-5185; CW2 Melvin Bane, HAWK, 876-1453; Millicent Steelman, 2.75" Rocket System, 876-1204; Major Tommy L. Thorne,

Abrams Calls For Support

In a recent letter to all soldiers and their families, General Creighton W. Abrams, Army Chief of Staff called for Army-wide support of the current Army Emergency Relief-Army Relief Society fund-raising campaign.

"In peacetime, as well as during periods of war and turbulence, members of the Army and their

families follow the time-honored custom of lending a helping hand to needy fellow members," Abrams wrote.

"Your generous contributions to the Joint Army Emergency Relief-Army Relief Society Annual Fund Campaign in 1973 bear testimony to your continued interest and pride in maintaining the proud tradition that 'The Army Takes Care of Its Own.'"

The AER campaign at Redstone Arsenal continues through May 1, 1974.

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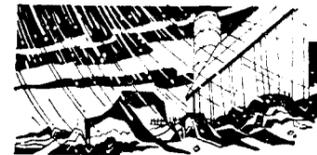
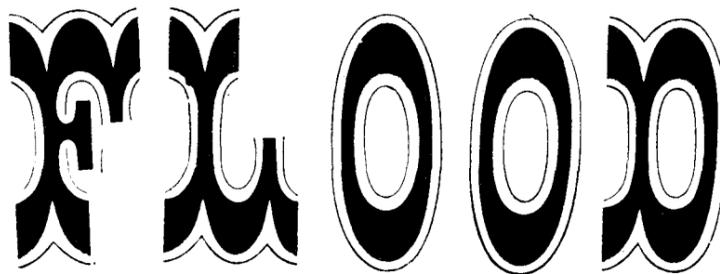
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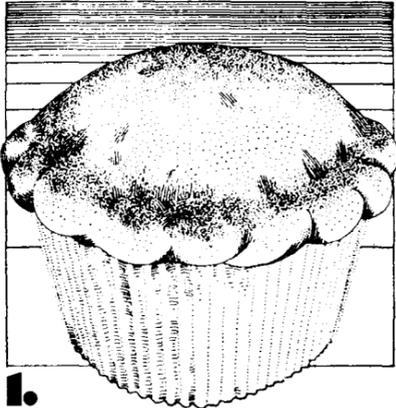


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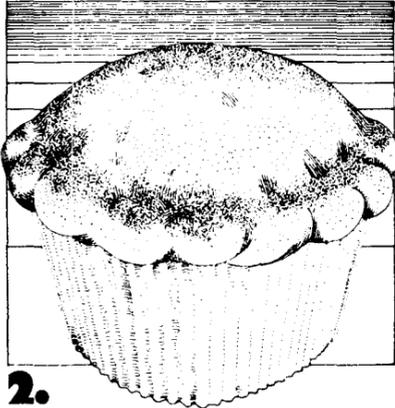


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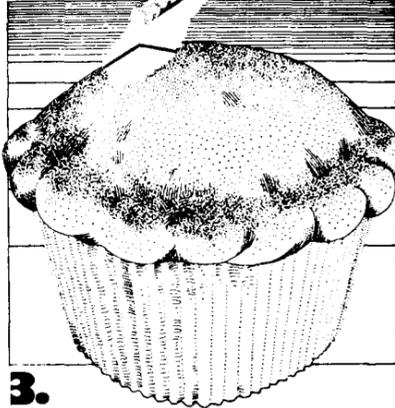
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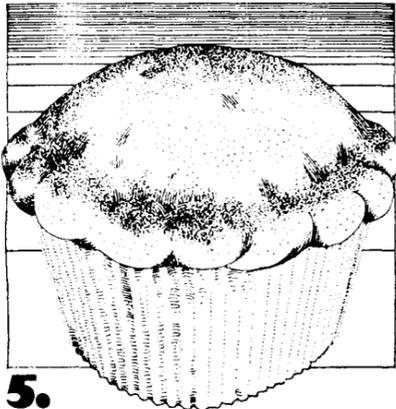
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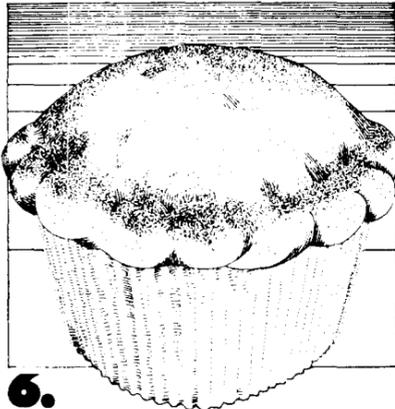
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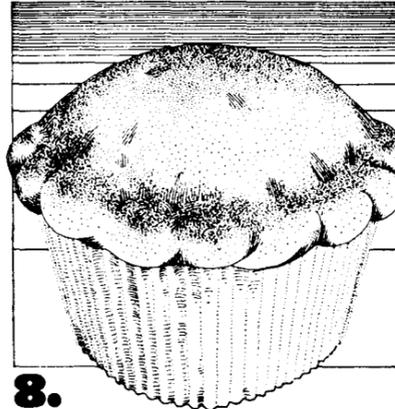
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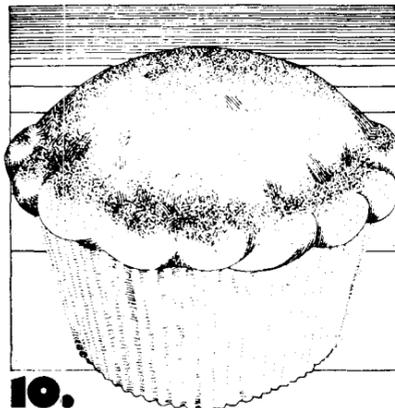
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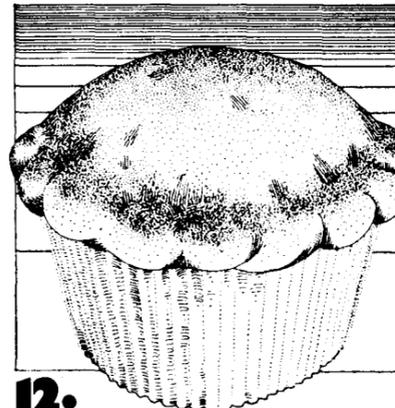
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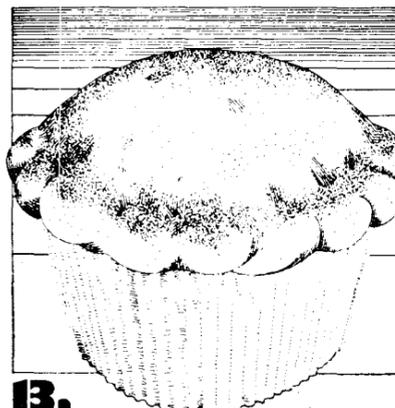
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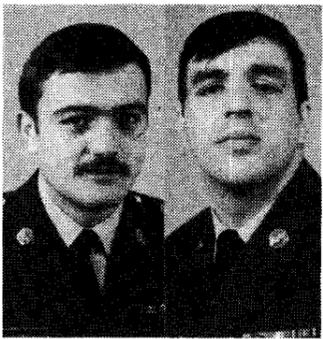


NAMES IN THE NEWS

By MSG Malcolm L. Carr

FAMILIAR FACES

SSG Howard Alspach of Delphos, Ohio returned recently to resume duties as an instructor in the CSM-A Branch, DCT&E. He was a student at MMCS in 1966 and remained to instruct after graduation. Alspach is assigned to Company B and was last assigned to the 5th Corps Support Command in Germany. SSG James Pilon, Oswego, N. Y., has returned after an extended absence. He was a student here in 1967-1968 prior to tours in Germany, at Aberdeen Proving Ground and Korea. The 1966 high school graduate is assigned to Company C with duties as instructor in the Hawk division.



ALSPACH PILON

SP5 John Campbell is back at MMCS after a 9-year hiatus. He was a student here in 1965 and left the Army in April 1967. Campbell reenlisted in November 1971 after giving civilian life a try and served a tour in Germany. He is assigned to Company A with duties as a Nuclear Weapons Maintenance man for the Office of Logistics. Campbell is a native of Mobile, Ala.

NEW ARRIVALS

PVT John McDonough of Estill Springs, Tenn., enlisted under the Guaranteed Station of Choice program, with RSA as his choice. He arrived recently after completing basic training and an 8-week course in Unit and Organization Supply at Fort Lee, Va. The 18-year-old is assigned to Company C with duty at S-4, School Brigade as an armorer.



CAMPBELL McDONOUGH

SP5 Albert Baker graduated from the Nuclear Weapons Maintenance course recently and was assigned to Company C with duties in the Office of Logistics. He is a former aircraft mechanic and served in Vietnam in 1971 and 1972, receiving the Bronze Star and Air Medal with 13 clusters. Baker is a native of Winchester, Tenn., and was last assigned to Fort Campbell, Ky.



BAKER EUELL

NEW WAC STUDENTS

Privates Nina Shirley and Marilyn Meller enlisted for Guaranteed Station of Choice with Europe as the choice. Both WACs are training in the Land Combat Support Systems Test Specialist course. Both are 1973 high school graduates and are assigned to the 7th ETC. Shirley is from Henry, Tenn., while Meller hails from Jefferson City, Mo.



MELLER SHIRLEY

PFC Rosemary Dickey and Private Letita Mineer arrived last week to start training in the HAWK missile continuous wave radar repair course. Both enlisted under the Guaranteed Station of Choice program with Europe as the choice, and both completed common basic electronics training at Fort Jackson, S.C. Mineer, a former telephone operator, hails from Cincinnati. Dickey is a former postal clerk at Long Beach, Calif.



MINEER DICKEY

PFC Nancy Hull of Newport Beach, Calif., arrived for training in the Land Combat Support Systems course. She enlisted for assignment to Europe after completion of training. The former executive secretary is a 1969 junior college graduate.



HULL SPURLOCK PROMOTIONS

Stripes fell on RSA recently and MMCS received its share. SSG Frankie Spurlock of Fayetteville, Tenn., was promoted to his present rank by 2d Battalion Commander LTC J. W. Lloyd. Spurlock entered the Army in September 1966 and is a Platoon Sergeant. He served in Vietnam receiving the ARCOM, two Purple Hearts and the Combat Infantryman's Badge.

SP5 Emmanuel Euell, a supply clerk for the 7th ETC, was recently promoted to his present rank. He entered the Army in August 1970 and attended the supply course at Fort Lee, Va. The Detroit native is a former Eagle Scout. Euell served a tour



BENOIST THOMAS

in Korea before arriving at MMCS.

SP4 Michael Benoist, a Lance missile instructor from Jennings, Mo., was promoted recently. He is a 1970 high school graduate and was a former maintenance crewman in a manufacturing company. Benoist completed Lance missile repair training at MMCS and has been an instructor since January 1973.

SP4 Julius Thomas, of Landley, N.Y., received his promotion recently. He graduated from high school and entered the Army in 1972. The 21-year-old is assigned to Company C and works at S-4, School Brigade as a clerk-typist.

A pair of birds with umbrellas went to SP5s Henry Martin and John Holt. Both are personnel management specialists at the Military Personnel Branch.

Holt has prior service with the MPs at RSA and entered the Army in April 1969. He hails from Earlville, N.Y., where he graduated from high school in 1967.



HOLT MARTIN

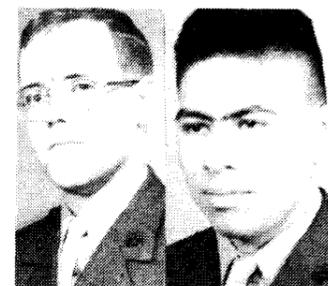
Martin is a native of Dothan, Ala., where he graduated from high school in 1969 and was a department manager of a shoe company.



CRANFORD

The USMC had the honor grads for two of the ammunition courses last week.

Marine PFC John Nichols, received the honors for his graduating class in ammunition storage specialist training. His academic average was 97.5 per cent for the course, enough to qualify him for the AUSA award. Nichols is from Monroe, La., and a 1971 high school graduate.



NICHOLS HERNANDEZ

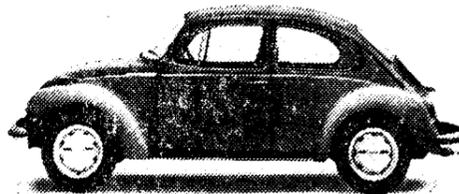
He entered the Corps in August 1973 and was sent to MMCS for training after completing Boot Camp at Parris Island.

PVT Jose A. Hernandez, was the honor grad for his ammunition class, with an academic average of 97.71 per cent. Hernandez, from Whittier, Calif., and a 1973 high school graduate, also received the AUSA award. He entered the Corps in August 1973 and completed boot at San Diego.

The 18-year-old had to double-time to stay ahead of three fellow Marine classmates. PVT Paul DuCommun from Tacoma, Wash., completed with a 97.1 per cent average; SGT Donald Girouard from Kiethville, La., 97.08 per cent average; and PVT David Tomlinson of Camdenton, Mo., a 96.77.

SGT Lynda L. Cranford, was not an honor grad but holds a unique position as being one of the first women to complete the Technical Escort phase of EOD training. She is from Chickasha, Okla., where she graduated high school in 1971.

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Nursery Shows Off In Public

The Rocket Nursery on Goss Road will hold open house from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. March 24. The following evening they will hold a general membership meeting at seven in the Activities Building on Gray Road.

The two activities are planned to acquaint the military community with the facilities and services available to them. Later tours will be made by appointment with the director, Blanche Moore. The open house is scheduled Sunday so that the children's activities will not be disrupted.

The Rocket Nursery will accept children at three months or more. It gives day care service including hot meals for the tots.

Programs include story telling, songs, rhythmic, coloring and games both indoors and out. There are also animated cartoons and

other child oriented programs.

In the play yard, the children are roughly divided into age levels to give all a chance to participate in things best suited to the individual's development.

To use the nursery, it is very important to make reservations. The facilities will accommodate 112, but it is necessary to plan ahead to make sure there are enough attendants on hand to supervise not more than 10 children in any one area.

Mrs. Robert J. Sikorski, Jr. is the chairman of the board which has called the first general membership meeting.

Two champion long-term suggesters in the Maintenance Directorate are Len Twinem and Frances Carter, but winner this year's suggesterama is Ben Thomas in the Publications Division who placed more than half of the 78 suggestions filed.

In the past fiscal year, Mrs. Carter has had six adopted. In the past year, Twinem submitted more than 40. Fourteen of these were adopted.

Dorothy Cummings, coordinator of the suggesterama, said, "This year we had quality. Last year we received more nonsensical ideas."

Suggestions are no novelty to members of the Directorate. Maintenance is a regular winner of

the command's Suggestions Award Plaque. It was awarded them again this quarter which ends this month. The plaque is awarded to the organizations having over 500

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Court Of Honor Set For Monday

Four local Scouts will become Eagle Scouts next Monday during a court of honor at the Post Chapel.

Troops 203 and 234, both from Redstone, will co-sponsor the event. The program, beginning at 7 p.m., includes other awards for troop members.

Scouts receiving the Eagle rank are Fred Bisch, son of Lt. Col. and Mrs. F. R. Bisch; Chuck Dodd, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Dodd; Bobby Huntzinger, son of Col. and Mrs. R. W. Huntzinger; and Mark Vittorini, son of Lt. Col. and Mrs. D. Vittorini.

A representative of the Elks Club will present special citizenship awards during the ceremonies.

All Scouts and friends of Scouting are invited to attend.

Athens College Hosts Secretaries

The third annual North Alabama Secretarial Seminar will be held Saturday at McCandless Auditorium, Athens College. Theme for the all-day seminar is "Horizons for Involvement."

The keynote address will be delivered by Dr. William M. Mitchell, chairman, Department of Office Administration & Business Education, University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire. Dr. Mitchell's speech is entitled, "The Expanded Role of the Professional Secretary."

A panel discussion on the theme, "Questions from Secretaries Today," follows. Panelists will be Dr. Sidney E. Sandridge, President, Athens College; Louise Julich, Executive Editor, Decatur Free Press; Dr. Azalia S. Francis, Chairman, Athens College; and Walter Wiesman, lecturer, consultant and writer, Huntsville.

Anyone interested in attending may contact Nancy Guire, 453-1928, for registration form.

Active, Retired Military Personnel

The local Chapter of the National Association of Uniformed Services (NAUS) will meet next Monday evening at the Officers Open Mess. Active and retired military personnel of all services are invited.

The meeting, beginning at 7:45, will feature a report from the newly-formed legislative committee on pending bills as well as some new business regarding laws affecting service members and veterans, according to Matt Salopek, chapter president.

Further information is available from Salopek by calling 881-7369 evenings.



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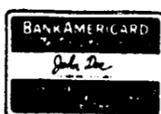
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