



## Post Hospital Offers Examinations

Women in the military and dependents of military personnel may take advantage of three different services at the post hospital geared toward detection of breast cancer.

Visits to the Gynecology Screening Clinic are by appointment only. For information call the central appointment desk, 876-3247. The clinic is located on the second floor of the hospital, building 112.

Those desiring immediate attention, may come to the Walk-In Clinic located on the first floor of the hospital.

A telephone clinic is also conducted each morning between the hours of 8 and 9, and from 2 to 3 in the afternoon. A registered nurse will answer questions concerning the technique for self-examination and other queries related to breast cancer.

### A Breast Check

# So Simple, So Important

"Yes, I feel threatened by it, but I try not to think about it."

This reaction could be voiced by any woman who is questioned about her concern over breast cancer. Too often, an avoidance attitude can be deadly.

Cancer is the second leading cause of death for women of all ages. Breast cancer, specifically, is the number one cancer killer of women. Statistics estimate that one of every 15 women in the United States will develop it.

The hopeful side of this dim picture is that if detected early and treated promptly, breast cancer is highly curable. More than 90 percent of breast cancers are discovered by women through self-examination.

A simple three-step examination, if conducted properly, on a regular monthly basis, could be life-saving. All women are encouraged to learn the proper technique for examining their breasts in addition to having a regular check-up by a physician.

Fortunately, most breast lumps are not cancerous, but only a physician can make that determination and one should be contacted as soon as possible if a lump is found.

A random survey of women employees at the Missile Command indicated that although most of the participants have an annual check-up by their physician, very few practice self-examination on a regular monthly basis.

Almost all of the women claimed that they knew the proper technique for self-examination, but simply did not practice it.

About half of the women indicated that they felt threatened by the disease. Others viewed it as something that would probably not happen to them.

Although cancer may strike anywhere in the body, certain areas are more vulnerable than others. For women, cancer of the breast, reproductive organs, colon-rectum and skin account for about three-fourths of all cases.

Wherever cancer arises, it is the process of cell growth gone out of control. Normal cell division is essential to form the human body. But, by the time an individual is fully grown, the process is normally limited to replacing worn out or damaged cells.

With cancer, however, there is no apparent purpose for cell division. These excess cells form tumors that destroy normal cells. Some cancer cells eventually break off from the parent tumor and spread to other parts of the body, a process called metastasis.

Once this happens, it is almost impossible to track down all of the cancer cells and destroy them. When cancer cells destroy a vital organ, they cause death.

The key to successful treatment of cancer is early diagnosis and the removal or destruction of cancer cells. In breast cancer, a surgeon may remove the cancerous growth. Some cancers are treated with drugs or radiation applications.

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**TANGLED UP IN BLUE**

**—OR—  
WORKING IS AN ACTIVE VERB, ISN'T IT?**

"I took a job in the Great North Woods,  
Working as a cook for a spell,  
I never did like it all that much,  
and one day the axe just fell."

Bob Dylan, "Tangled Up In Blue"  
Bob Dylan Words and Music Co.  
ASCAP

(Editor's note: This piece by Jerry Holly of Maintenance represents "the range of emotions I went through (and) the perspective that got me through" the fabled Big RIF of 1970 when notified he was being cut in 90

days from GS-11 to GS-3. While a new job saved his grade in the end, he did experience for a time the feelings now being experienced by co-workers who have been notified their grades are to be reduced.)

Well, it's fallen. Grade cuts now, and probably more to come. And, Dear Reader, it is bloody well terrifying to receive one of those carefully obscure, tightly written letters from Personnel. A letter that informs you of an adverse personnel action. And there is utterly no comfort in numbers just because most of your co-workers got one too.

You think that you can handle it; you think that because the rumors have been around; have been acknowledged as fact; you know what is coming and you think that you are steeled to it....

But; But when you see it in black and white; when it is right there in your hand, voices drift into a nether region and you can no longer listen because your own thoughts become an overpowering, booming monologue; you develop tunnel vision, and all except the sheaf of 8 x 10 paper in your hand defocuses into a blur of grays and blacks and whites. Even the color leaves your face.

You scan the text, hoping against knowledge that it doesn't say what you know must be there; hoping that perhaps it isn't as bad as you have imagined; hoping....

"... this action in no way reflects on your conduct.... it is for the good of the service...."

And you may be angry, or you may be sad with a soft, lost feeling, or you may be breathless, suddenly after a long minute wondering why you haven't breathed, then greedily inhaling and exhaling gulps of air.

Most will feel somehow, surreptitiously shafted. Most will not display their true emotions, which is an unsufferable urge to tell someone, anyone, to get bent. Some will lose the ability to

speak, be able only to nod, chagrin showing in the line of their faces; some will be light, gay; some macabre.

A very few will not feel anything; as if they were just accepting another mail delivery.

Later you will have time to become more philosophical, more adult, more professional, more and deeper angry.

And you will not soon lose the feeling that you have been had.

And that is wrong. With the exception of a few cases we all are being had only by the times.

Dylan wrote another song entitled "The Times They are a-Changing", and the title if not the substance of the song fit the situation here.

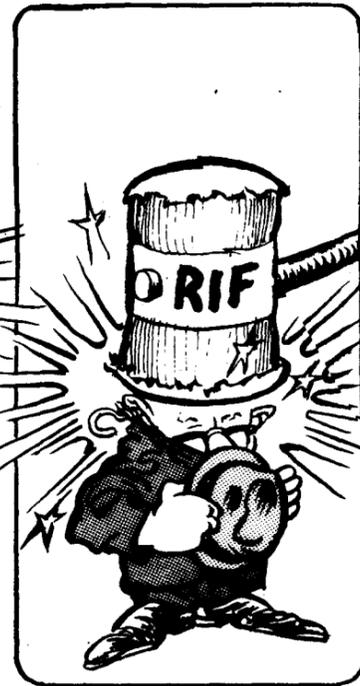
Unfortunately, stock in "for the good of the service" has taken a sharp nosedive, and it appears that a lot of us are in danger of forgetting the "service" in "Civil Service" and the subtleties implied by "Public Trust" and "civil service". To insist blindly on maintaining a given order simply because it exists is perversion of public trust at its worst and has been the undoing of some national political leaders in the last decade. People with real clout. Could the same sort of thing lead to our own undoing?

Y'see nowhere did Uncle Sam say that we would be here forever. Or that our jobs would. Or, for that matter, that this installation would.

And we came into this thing with not thought of a guarantee.

We didn't demand a promise of lifelong support.

We came in because the money was good; it was secure for the foreseeable future; it was a chance to be a professional.



MORAL: —  
NEVER KICK AN OLD HAT...  
IT MAY BE A FELLOW CIVIL SERVANT...  
*norris*

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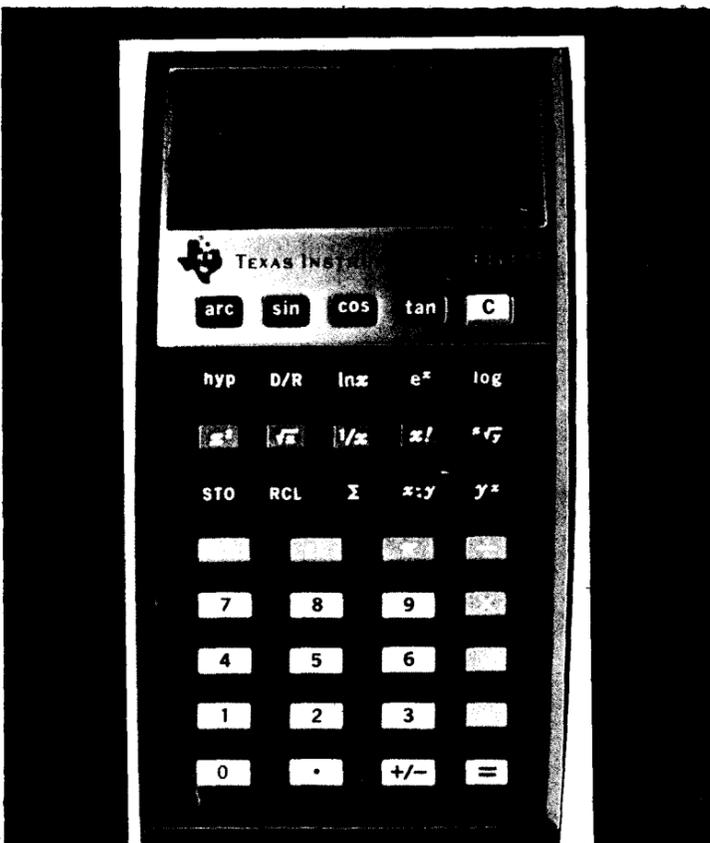
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# Hoffman Nominated As Army Secretary

President Ford has nominated the Defense Department's top attorney for Secretary of the Army.

Martin R. Hoffman, a career government lawyer, was nominated last week to succeed Howard H. Callaway who resigned July 3 to run Ford's election campaign.

The Senate must confirm Hoffman's appointment as Secretary.

The 44-year-old Hoffman has been DoD General Counsel since March of last year. Before that he was Special Assistant to the Secretary of Defense and Deputy Secretary. He has also been Atomic Energy Commission General Counsel, Minority Counsel for the House Judiciary Committee and an assistant U.S. Attorney.

He is a graduate of the University of Virginia law school and Princeton University.

A Massachusetts native, Hoffman is married and has three children.

# Surgeon General Seeks LSD Study Participants

(Washington, D.C.)—Plans are underway to locate and examine all participants in LSD tests, a spokesman for the Surgeon General's office said last week.

Approximately 585 military and 900 civilians who have participated will be asked to report for tests at locations to be determined later, the spokesman said. Each person will be given a complete examination lasting two to five days. Any health problems of the LSD participants will be compared with health problems of similar groups from the general population to help determine if the problems

are due to the LSD tests or to other causes.

All participants in clinical and field tests were volunteers; all were told they would be given a behavior effecting compound and, in general, what they might expect and the duration of the effects, according to the spokesman.

Continuing, he said that a task force is being formed by the Surgeon General's Office "to develop a practical plan for follow-up examination of participants in the Army-sponsored volunteer studies between 1956 and 1967. As soon as this plan is formulated and validated by appropriate con-

sultants, the volunteer participants will be contacted by mail and invited to an appropriate location for examination."

Inquires from participants in the LSD tests should go, preferably in writing, to MAJ Michael V. Johnston, Medical Corps; Chief, Human Use Review Office; Office of the Surgeon General; Department of the Army; Washington, D.C. 20310. Telephone 202-693-8065.

Inquiries should include the participant's name, service and social security numbers, present home address and phone number, and dates and locations of participation in the LSD tests.

# "Negative Attitudes" Irk CSM

Since Command Sergeant Major Leroy A. Arceneaux came to MICOM a few weeks ago, he's spent a lot of time talking to people and meeting with installation officials.

What he's heard from some people and what's come out of those meetings has not all been to his liking.

He's disturbed by "negative attitudes" toward enlisted soldiers in general, junior enlisted soldiers in particular, and has set about changing those attitudes when he runs into them.

Arceneaux has been assured that he is the Commanding General's personal representative, both in title and in fact.

Personal representative he may be, but MICOM's new top enlisted soldier is no "company man", existing apart from other enlist-

ed soldiers in some cozy relationship with senior officers.

"I'm here to look out for the enlisted man and woman, their morale and welfare", said Arceneaux, summing up in one sentence his perception of a CSM's function.

The CSM, as representative of and advisor to the commander, can if necessary go straight to the top with enlisted soldiers' problems and Arceneaux is doing it.

He said that it's not enough that a CSM be willing to go to the mat for the enlisted soldier: the soldier must also know that the CSM will do that. "A soldier's got to know that he has someone he can go to with his problems who'll get those problems worked out for him. Otherwise he's going to create worse problems.

You don't have morale and discipline problems when you let the soldiers know that you're for them.

"A soldier with a problem usually can't take his problem to the colonel or general, but the CSM can take it there for him, and I will," said the blunt-spoken, cigar-smoking Arceneaux.

A first sergeant at age 19, a command sergeant major at 30, Arceneaux is believed to be the youngest soldier ever promoted to the Army's top enlisted rank. No more than a handful of Command Sergeants Major in the entire Army have spent more time at the top than Arceneaux, now a 45-year-old grandfather.

Few are more decorated either. Arceneaux has the Legion of Merit, and a great number of other decorations, including three Meritorious Service and three Purple Heart citations, the latter for the 14 wounds in his back and legs.

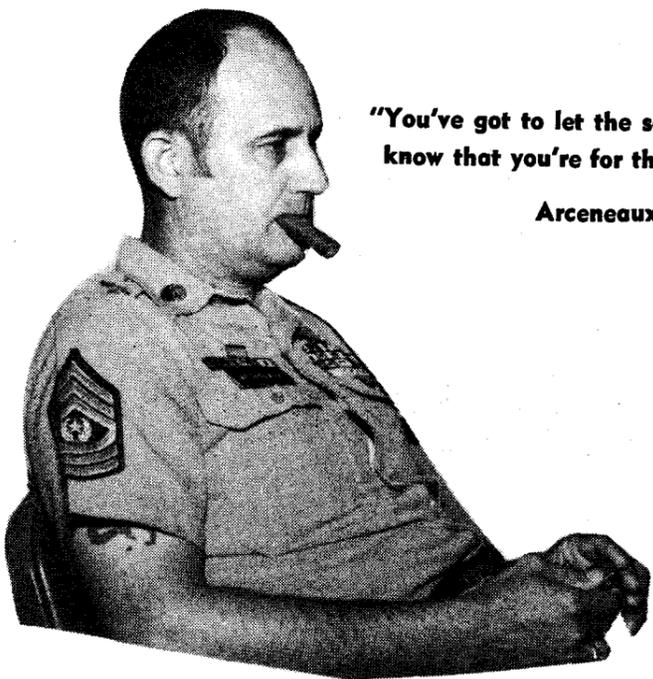
He twice declined battlefield commissions because of what he felt was too great a disparity between his own educational level and that of those who would have been his officer peers.

He is now serving in what likely will be the last assignment of his military career. It is a little ironic that only now is he seeing the Army become what he's worked to see it become since he joined it nearly 28 years ago: An Army of professionals.

"The Army's getting a lot better caliber people now," said Arceneaux. "It used to attract people like me, high school dropouts. But now it's getting good people, smart people . . . college graduates even, the kind of people you need in an Army of professionals. And I know what I'm talking about — I just came off recruiting." Arceneaux's last assignment was Command Sergeant Major of the Recruiting Command at Ft. Sheridan, Ill.

"You've got to let the soldiers know that you're for them."

Arceneaux



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## Army Shade 44 Sweaters OK

WASHINGTON (ANF)—The men's Army Green shade 44 sweater has been approved by the Army Uniform Board as an optional purchase item.

The 100 per cent acrylic, cardigan-style sweater should be just the thing next winter when government buildings—because of DoD energy-saving directives—will be kept cool. It can be worn in offices or buildings and under the Army Green coat.

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# Civilians Get "Hot Line" To CPD

MICOM civilian employees with personnel related questions or problems can get help by calling 6-6866.

The number rings recently-installed special equipment at the Civilian Personnel Division.

Callers receive brief instructions and are asked to record their message.

They can get a direct answer by leaving their name and telephone number. General questions will be answered in the Redstone Rocket or in Civilian Personnel special bulletins if necessary.

Where followup discussions may be required, the individual will be asked to meet with appropriate Civilian Personnel Division specialists.

Luther Adams, Chief of Civilian Personnel, decided to install the automatic phone recording service to give people an easy access to his organization.

"We can get a question to the right place much faster than someone who is not familiar with our organization and as a result has difficulty getting to the right person. Getting there is often half the problem," Adams said.

Adams plans to listen to the tapes himself whenever possible, hopes that people will use the system to also pass along personnel problems they feel need to be surfaced.

Adams is anxious that everyone understand that the direct

line to his office is not intended, and in fact cannot, replace or circumvent the relationship between individual employees and their supervisor.

"The supervisor is the person who either has the answer to an employee's question or knows how to get one in almost every instance," Adams said.

"On the other hand there are problems that individual's have that probably can be resolved or at least made more understandable, with direct contact with CDP.

"Then too, we sometimes make mistakes. When we do we can correct them.

"We can also tell people why

something is happening that may impact their jobs. The individual may not like what he or she hears, but at least we want to make sure they understand it.

"It may be too, that this direct contact will help individuals whose supervisor may be part of their problems.

"This is not intended to replace any formal channel for grievance and complaint or even any formal communications channel such as that between the supervisor and the individual employee. What we hope we are offering is an alternative way to surface problems and get answers in our area of responsibility for people who have things bugging them."

## CIVILIAN BRIEFS

The following is a list of new hires, retirements, and promotions for July 24 through July 24.

NAME	GRADE	ORGANIZATIONS
<b>New Hires</b>		
Lee, Grady E.,	GS-085-4,	RASA
Cox, Harold R.,	GS-085-4,	RASA
Meadows, Olen L.,	GS-085-4,	RASA
Lawyer, Michelle A.,	GS-312-4,	High Energy Laser Sys Mgmt Ofc
Barker Mary G.,	GS-322-3,	RASA
<b>Retirements</b>		
Strickland, Nina E.,	GS-345-12,	P&P
McCormack, James E., Jr.,	GS-525-7,	Comptroller
<b>Promotions</b>		
Williams, Thomas T.,	GS-801-14,	Plans & Analysis
Shanahan, John D.,	GS-1102-12,	P&P
Owen, James R.,	GS-1102-12,	P&P
<b>Promotions</b>		
Sartain, Ronald B.,	GS-855-9,	MRDEL
Byram, Jerold D.,	GS-2005-8,	Materiel Management
Stanford, Doris K.,	GS-2005-8,	Materiel Management

**HONORED**—Colonel R. A. Axelson, who is retiring from the Army in July, has been awarded the Legion of Merit. Major General Vincent H. Ellis presented the award at Redstone Arsenal last week. Axelson was cited for outstanding service as Deputy Director of MICOM's Army Missile Research, Development and Engineering Laboratory.



## Goodall Fires Dragon

Colonel Arthur L. Goodall had never fired before and the Raytheon round wasn't man-rated so the Army's Dragon Project Manager killed two birds with one stone by shooting the man-portable tank killer last week at Redstone Arsenal.

Goodall not only became the first man to shoulder-fire a Raytheon produced round, he also demonstrated his marksmanship by hitting a stationary target.

In addition to man-rating the Raytheon round, Goodall fired with a Kollsman tracker, the first time

that combination of Dragon equipment had been man-tested together. Raytheon is a second source producer of Dragon rounds and Kollsman a second source producer of trackers.

During follow on tests at Redstone, Dragon gunner cadres from Ft. Polk, La., and Ft. Benning, Ga., fired at moving targets. Conducting tests were SFC M. L. Lonsberry of Ft. Polk; S-Sgt. G. M. Mecum of Ft. Benning, and SFC Bill McKeith who is the Army's advisor to the Dragon Project Manager at the Army Missile Command.

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Pictured are from left, Joe Weaver, Booker Mukahanana, Slate, Beverly Robinson, Pat Moore and Kay Ratliff. (AC Photo By Carol Malone).

The Psychology Department of Athens College, in cooperation with the Huntsville ESP Study Group is offering a special course in "Psychology for Effective Living," to be conducted at the Mall Auditorium each Thursday in August, 7:00-9:30 p.m.

The course, under the direction of Dr. Joe Slate, Prof. of Psychology, Athens College, is designed to provide ways in which psychological principles can be applied to everyday living.

Topics will include not only ESP and related areas but also such subjects as interpersonal relations, creativity, and self-hypnosis. Sessions will include group activities, discussion, demonstrations and active participation.

Course offerings are as follows: "Expanding Awareness: How to meditate, learning to relax, developing psychic awareness," and "Improving Communications: Verbal and nonverbal communication techniques, extra sensory communication."

"Increasing Creativity: Unlocking your creativity, brainstorming, steps to greater creativity," and "Reducing Anxieties: Coping with stress, unlearning fear, letting off steam."

"Developing Personal Relations: Steps toward better relationships, influencing others, leading and influencing groups," and "Breaking Bad Habits: Six steps toward self control, de-automatize yourself, break the links."

"Developing Self-Hypnosis: Procedures & techniques, unlocking mental potential, building self-confidence," and "Using Biofeedback: How to produce Alpha, learning to keep cool, inner freedom."

The course is being offered for either three semester hour's credit at the regular College tuition cost or non-credit at \$35 for the entire course. Registration may be in advance at Athens College or at the first class meeting, Aug. 7, at 6:30 p.m.

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# Wives Honor Mrs. Burnell

The Ballistic Missile Defense Systems Command Officers Wives Club honored Mrs. Bates C. Burnell at a farewell tea, July 22 at the home of Mrs. Henry L. Brown in Huntsville. Attending were about 60 civilian and military wives.

Maj. Gen. and Mrs. Burnell are moving to the Washington area where the general will become the Director of Military Construction in the Office of the Chief of the Army Corps of Engineers. He has been in Huntsville for several years in a series of assignments and has been the Commanding General of BMDSCOM since April 1973. During their years at Red-

stone, Mrs. Burnell has been active in the BMDSCOM Officers Wives Club and has served as an advisor to the board of the Officers' Wives Club. She has been an avid participant in both golf and duplicate bridge and is presently chairman of the duplicate bridge activities.

A gift was presented to the honoree as an expression of appreciation for her many contributions to the Wives Club.

Responsibility for the tea was shared by Mrs. Joseph T. Gibson, Mrs. Louis G. Hergert, Jr., Mrs. Brown, and Mrs. Charles R. Covert. They were assisted by Mrs. Edward M. Riddlehoover and Mrs. Wayne D. Miller who were in charge of refreshments.



**THE BEST**—Lee Watson of Materiel Management shows awards he won when named District 48 outstanding Toastmaster of the Year. The district includes all of Alabama except Mobile and Baldwin counties. Watson is a member of the Mason-Dixon Toastmasters Club, and has served as its president.

## PREP May Be Your Answer

WASHINGTON (ANF)—The Army's Predischarge Education Program (PREP) continues to march and is helping more enlisted men than ever in their quest for a high school education.

Recently released figures for the first three quarters of FY 75 show that of 132,800 enlisted men with less than a high school education, almost 20 per cent were participating in PREP.

PREP was established in 1970 by an amendment to the GI Bill. Since then it has been included as part of the Education Services Plan at every Army installation. PREP now incorporates all Army programs leading to a high school diploma or equivalency.

The money for PREP comes from the Veterans Administration under provisions of the GI Bill. Enlisted soldiers with more than 180 days of active duty are eligible to receive up to \$220 per month to pay to a cooperating educational institution. This monetary benefit in no way cuts into the future veteran's full entitlement to GI Bill educational and training benefits.

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# Col. Smith Named Acting Commandant Col. Hayes Leaves Missile School

Col. Errol E. Hayes Jr., commandant of the Missile and Munitions Center and School since last July 29, has announced that he has accepted command of Pine Bluff Arsenal, Ark. He will depart the missile school in early August.

Col. David C. Smith has been named acting commandant. Smith, who is Deputy Commandant for Training and Education, will serve in the Army service school's top military position until the Training and Doctrine Command at Ft. Monroe, Va., names a new commandant.

Hayes, 47, came to MMCS from the Taiwan Materiel Agency at Taipei, where he was commander.

A transfer to the ammunition manufacturing facility at Pine Bluff was offered him by the Washington-based board that selects officers for positions classed as command-designated.

A change of command ceremony is scheduled for 2:30 p.m. Thursday at the School Brigade quadrangle. In case of rain, the ceremony will be held in the Recreation Center.

A farewell reception and buffet is planned for 7 p.m. Friday at the RSA Officers' Open Mess.

Mrs. Hayes will be honored at a farewell coffee next Tuesday at 9:30 a.m. at the Officers' Open Mess. The affair is sponsored by

the MMCS Officers' Wives Club. Reservations must be made by noon Monday with Ladonna Tarpley (A-1) 837-5391, or Diane Boylston (M-z) 837-0566.

This will be the second time Smith has been named acting commandant of the missile school. He held the job from November 1973 to July 1974, succeeding Col. Thomas J. McDonald, who left the position vacant on his retirement, and preceding Hayes.

During his year as commandant, Hayes established a telephone recording system called the Commandant's Action Line, which allows MMCS soldiers and civilians to call him 24 hours a day with problems and comments.

He also initiated department-level race relations training and began energy conservation measures that, while they displeased some employees who missed iced drinking water or mid-morning coffee, cut the school's electric bill.

"I believe we opened up the chain of command and made it operate the way it should," said Hayes. "We extended the chain through the Commandant's Action Line and the RAP (Racial Awareness Program) sessions, so that the lowest man or woman now has access to me. We've made sure he gets a square deal."



**PARTING MEMENTO**—Lt. Col. Shu Lung-tan, training officer for the Republic of China at the Missile and Munitions Center and School, explains to departing commandant Col. Errol E. Hayes Jr. the significance of scrolls presented Hayes on behalf of the Chinese Government. Painted by Chinese Congressman Wong, the memento expresses happiness at the peaceful relations between the U. S. and Nationalist China. Hayes will assume command of Pine Bluff Arsenal, Ark.

## Official Briefed

The next Chief of Staff of the Army Training and Doctrine Command (TRADOC) completed a comprehensive series of briefings and orientations recently at the Missile and Munitions Center and School.

Major General Robert C. Hixon becomes TRADOC Chief of Staff August 1, succeeding Major General Burnside E. Huffman.

His orientation at MMCS was to bring him up to date on numerous projects and regular operations conducted at the activity, one of the 23 Army service schools commanded by TRADOC.

While here, Hixon received briefings on training programs and innovations in the Missile and Electronics and Munitions departments.

He also observed the training MMCS is now conducting for the 62nd Ordnance Detachment, an Explosive Ordnance Disposal unit from Ft. Douglas, Utah. The unit is undergoing its operational readiness training test.

Hixon also examined education and training facilities at MMCS, and received an update on local implementation of the Army-wide Enlisted Personnel Management System.

## Cooking Experience Counts

Ft. Monroe, VA.—If you're an Army cook, you might already be aware of the certification program that went into effect March 1.

If you haven't heard, what it means is this: If you're in the Army's food service career program, your job experience will count toward certification when you get on the "outside."

After years of negotiation between the American Culinary Federation and Army officials, permission was granted in a joint memorandum issued last Jan. 19.

The memorandum, signed by Major General Dean Van Lydegraf, Commandant of the Army's Quartermaster School at Ft. Lee and Amato Ferrero,

Federation president, was the culmination of a pilot project undertaken by the Training and Doctrine Command.

The document sets forth the terms by which the Federation will recognize Army food service training, education and experience for certification.

Certification has been a technique to recognize skill levels in various trades since the 1920's.

Titles such as apprentice, journeyman and master chef are still widely used to distinguish skill levels in civilian industry.

Information on this program can be obtained by calling the program coordinator, CW3 George A. Herb,

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# Retiree Reflects On Missiles And Smoky Rooms

Tom Williams' memories of World War II are filled with the sounds of planes and bombs, and the crashing of guns, his and the enemy's. Even after 30 years, the Army Missile Command engineer remembers the big war as a nightmare of noise.

As a gunner with the First Cavalry' Division's 14th Anti-Aircraft Command, Williams added his own orchestration to the battlefield cacophony on 40, 90 and 120mm guns, during fierce fighting at places called New Guinea, Leyte, and Luzon.

The guns have long been stilled but Williams remembers the noise.

The transplanted Columbus, Miss. native, who has been a MICOM missileman for 18 years, retired from civil service at Redstone Arsenal last Friday on a medical disability.

"Permanent damage to the nerves of both ears, stemming from my artillery days, won't permit me to continue at a level of

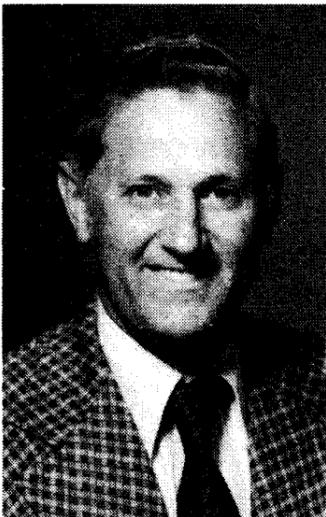
performance that is acceptable to me, or the Army," Williams said. "My doctor sees nothing but continued deterioration."

"I want to thank all the members of the MICOM team with whom I worked for their cooperation and support."

Williams enjoyed a lot of spice at Redstone filling a variety of roles that included project offices, commodity offices, research and development, procurement and production, and the control office of the Army Ballistic Missile Agency. At the time of his retirement, he was employed by MICOM's Plans and Analysis Directorate.

Reflecting on 25 years of federal service, Williams saw a lot of change in the Army, change in the way it fights, and what it fights with.

"One of the biggest changes, in my opinion, was the Army decision to develop missiles and free flight rockets and put them in their



WILLIAMS

battlefield arsenal with artillery and other weapons."

The weapons not only had to be developed and tested, they had to be accepted by the soldier and proven to be combat worthy. It was no easy job, Williams believes, but who would argue with the decision?

"Back in the old days, we used to throw up a barrage of shells hoping enemy planes would fly into it," Williams said. "Boy, what we couldn't have done with a few missiles like Hawk, Nike Hercules and Redeye."

Williams career touched many familiar names at Redstone, names such as Jupiter, Redstone, Saturn, Sergeant, Nike Zeus, and Hawk but the most interesting job he had, and the one he enjoyed most, was a stint as manager of the TOW helicopter program during its early research and development days.

"I feel that was my most worthwhile contribution," he said.

That was accomplished during

the early 60s when MICOM began to adapt missiles and rockets to helicopters.

"It represented a new concept and gave the Army a mobility and firepower it never had before," Williams explained.

TOW was deployed in Vietnam in 1972 to become the first Army missile to be fired in combat by American soldiers.

Williams' remembrances of his civilian career at Redstone include smoke filled conference rooms and offices, which are particularly offensive to the non-smoker.

"I have sat in conferences where you could almost cut the smoke with a knife. It obviously won't bother me anymore since I've retired but I'm thinking about others. I believe it's time for MICOM management to establish realistic and attainable standards for air purity within offices and enclosed areas."

Williams plans to make his retirement home in Huntsville.

Follow these simple steps.

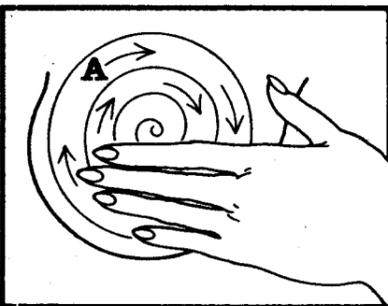


Lie down. Put one hand behind your head. With the other hand, fingers flattened, gently feel your breast. Press ever so lightly. Now examine the other breast.

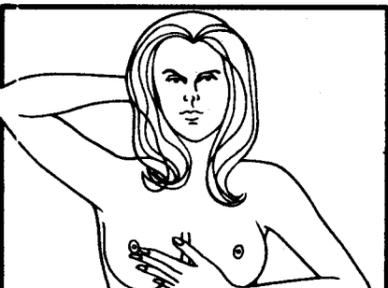


This illustration shows you how to check each breast. Begin where you see the A and follow the arrows, feeling gently for a lump or thickening.

Remember to feel all parts of each breast.



Now repeat the same procedure sitting up, with the hand still behind your head.



## Standard Breast Check

The breast examination can be done very easily while bathing or showering. Keeping the fingers flat, touch every part of each breast. Feel gently for a lump or thickening. The fact that your skin is slippery will make it easier to detect an abnormality.

Three areas should be carefully investigated: (1) the supra-clavicular or above the collarbone area (2) the breasts and (3) the axillae or the armpits.

Careful attention should be given to the area above the collarbone for enlarged cervical lymph nodes.

After bathing, sit before a mirror and examine the breasts for signs of bulging, skin dimpling or areas of surface flattening. Do this first, with the arms relaxed at your side, then with the arms raised above your head. Look also, for redness, ulceration, edema (orange peel appearance), surface erosion or dilated veins.

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Miss Hagler started her government career in 1950 as a GS-2 clerk-typist at the Atlanta General Depot. A native of New Hope she moved to Huntsville in 1951 and worked in Purchasing and Contracting.

Though only a clerk-typist she liked procurement and contracting work and took every opportunity she could to learn more about it. By 1954 she had been promoted to a GS-5 and had been designated as a procurement agent.

"I think I have been fortunate to work in places where there was no prejudice against women. Whenever a new situation came up, I tried to learn as much about it as I could. I've always enjoyed my work and had fellow workers and supervisors who would help me. I've never worked in any other field and I've had no desire to do so. I feel I am treated equal in my profession and that gives me a feeling of pride and satisfaction," she said.

Miss Hagler was quick to note that things had changed since she first entered government service. She feels there is more emphasis now on formal education and preparation.

"When I started work attitude meant a lot. If you were willing to work and assume responsibility, the boss let you. I saw a lot of women who didn't get ahead

because they didn't like their work. . . and as a result they didn't accept responsibility when they had the opportunity. I think the key has been that I've always been happy doing my job," she continued.

Though she was able to advance, Miss Hagler spent 11 years as a GS-11 before she was promoted to GS-12 in 1971. She feels that she might have advanced faster if she had started college work sooner. Most of her advancement occurred when she had only a high school education. She is now enrolled in the University of Oklahoma program and is working towards a degree.

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History shows that the Army has always operated morale, health and Welfare programs for its personnel on the principle, "The Army Takes Care of Its Own." This began when many posts were isolated from civilian communities, and personnel developed self-sufficiency and independence through necessity.

Army wives played a unique role on the early, isolated posts, and continued to do so through the years, by taking an interest in the needs of military families. Various organizations associated with the Army as it grew - Wives Clubs, Army Emergency Relief, the Red Cross - contributed to morale and welfare.

### By Leaps And Bounds

Then the Army started to grow by leaps and bounds. In 1940 approximately 67,000 Army personnel were married and had families. By the late 1960s, there were more than half a million family units involving 1.7 million dependents.

What had once been a rather small, intimate group became a large, mobile population. As personnel increased so did the problems associated with military life - separation, reassignments, life in foreign countries, moves away from areas where relatives resided.

Commanders and their wives who once knew all the families in their units could no longer effectively attend to the morale and welfare needs of all dependents.

Realizing the situation, the Army Chief of Staff directed that Army Community Services should be established in July 1965. An Army regulation for ACS was issued that Fall.

### ACS Objectives

ACS objectives are to reduce the amount of time unit com-

manders, staff officers or their dependents spend in finding appropriate sources of assistance on personal and family problems, and to improve the general morale of the soldier and his family by providing prompt and efficient service when needed.

### Caring

The ACS theme, "Self-Help, Service and Stability" reflects the Army tradition of caring for its own an encouraging Self-help. The Army recognizes that ACS should not attempt to completely remedy every situation, but instead give enough guidance and assistance so individuals can help themselves.

The aim of ACS at Redstone is to make existing services useful to military personnel and their families and to provide volunteer and self-help services.

### Lending Closet

Available through the Lending Closet at the ACS Office in Bldg. 3484, Aerobee Rd., are numerous housekeeping items for loan up to 40 days. Also at the ACS office is a list of baby sitters, most of whom reside on the post.

ACS office files are stocked with brochures and informational material about other posts in the U. S. and overseas, of interest to personnel being reassigned.

A sewing machine is located at the ACS office which eligible personnel may use in place - it is not for removal from the building.

Volunteers are on hand at the ACS office to deal with emergency situations - such as transportation, babysitting and food. A well stocked food locker is maintained to meet emergencies.

Help is available with such items as official forms, paperwork in connection with financial matters, passports, and orders.

Current CHAMPUS information is available at the ACS office.

## Help

Mrs. Douglas Kline, committee chairman, and LT Roy Denney, ACS officer, discuss activities of the ACS committee that works with local organizations to arrange help for handicapped dependents.



## Loan

Lending Closet Chairman Mrs. Samuel McKenty inspects the well-stocked bins of household items for temporary loan. A food locker is maintained also.



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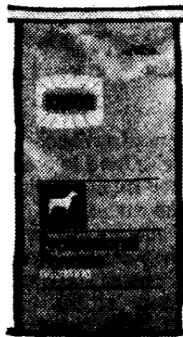
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# The Volunteers Tell What Their Work Means To Them



## Editor

Sigrid Benson, an experienced editor puts together the ACS Bulletin. The monthly bulletin for post residents contains items about ACS and other information of special interest to military families.

Army Community Services is staffed mainly by volunteers, wives of military personnel, and headed by an ACS officer, Lt. Roy Denney, with two coordinators, SFC Edward Knight, NCOIC, and SP4 Kevin Williams.

Volunteers are the backbone of the Army Community Services program at Redstone. Mrs. Ford

**"I think we wives need to get away from being 'mommy' all the time."**

G'Segner probably summed it up pretty well for all of them when she said, "I'm an ACS volunteer because I feel the need to give something. ACS is my answer because it allows me to give to the Army and the Army is my family.

"Then too, I think we wives need to get away from being 'mommy' all the time. It's good for us and for our children." She does consumer affairs counseling.

Some of the volunteers came to ACS because of special interests. Mrs. William Benson, for instance, had worked as an editor, and wanted to keep her hand in the business.

"There was an ad in the Daily Bulletin one day asking for someone to edit the ACS Bulletin, so I came in to see about it. Actually I didn't realize that involved being an ACS volunteer, but it's worked out just fine. I'm interested in people, and this is a people job," Mrs. Benson said.

"The Bulletin is something that is of service to somebody. Besides

**"I'm interested in people, and this is a people job."**

being distributed in the commissary, walk-in clinic, etc., it goes to the homes on post and keeps people informed on what ACS is doing. But all in all, I edit the Bulletin for my own self-satisfaction and because I feel I

owe something to the Army community."

Mrs. Howard Dorsey who heads the ACS Welcoming committee is quick to respond to the question, "Why are you an ACS volunteer?" by saying she wanted to volunteer for something when she arrived at Redstone, and recognized a need for someone to welcome newcomers to the post. "No one welcomed me, and this was my first experience of living on an Army post. It seemed to me someone should visit newcomers and tell them about the services available here, where things are, and what is available in Huntsville and the surrounding area," she said.

"I've gone to so many posts where people didn't know what was on the post," Mrs. Franklin Anderson said. "I look on being an ACS volunteer as a way to help people, make living on the post more pleasant."

Helping handicapped children is Mrs. Douglas Kline's way of serving as an ACS volunteer - she heads the committee that fosters

**Some of the volunteers come to ACS because of special interests.**

programs for the handicapped, and in addition is the activities chairman for PEP (Parents and Friends of Physically Exceptional People) in Huntsville. She is directing a summer enrichment program for PEP.

Other committees and the chairmen of each are: Social Services Office, Mrs. G. Caporale; Lending Closet, Mrs. Samuel McKenty; Waiting Wives, Pat Bradley; and Publicity, Mrs. Harold Hannum.

The honorary volunteer supervisor is Mrs. George Turnmeyer, Mrs. Robert Sikorski is the volunteer supervisor; and Mrs. Hannum is the volunteer supervisor's assistant.



## Welcome

A new Redstone resident, Mrs. Jerry Stumbo, is welcomed by ACS Welcoming Chairman Mrs. Howard Dorsey, left, and Mrs. Franklin Anderson. The committee gives each new resident an information kit and introduction to the area.

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# Shrinking Union Army Turns To A Draft And Recruiting Of Blacks

The soldiers stood in a hollow square to hear the general from Washington speak his piece.

They listened silently, many of them scowling, and Lorenzo Thomas, adjutant general of the U. S. Army, told them the policy of their government henceforth would be that Negroes would be enlisted in the Army.

Further, Thomas told each of the many regiments he addressed in the spring of 1863, men who left the army because of the recruiting of Negroes would be guilty of treason and would be shot.

He told them many other things, among them that Negroes would be formed into regiments with white officers which might give some of them a chance at promotion, but the soldiers tended to remember the business about getting shot.

Afterward the soldiers would gather and talk about this extraordinary development. A black man in a U. S. uniform with government issue rifle and cartridges was something very few of them had in mind when they enlisted, but then this war was turning into something very few of them had in mind then either.

The men would talk it over and finally conclude that a black man could stop a bullet just as well as a white man. That

### A black man stopped a bullet as well as a white man

was equality of a sort, about all the equal opportunity they were ready for just then.

They had enlisted, most of them, to save the Union. Because the Lincoln Administration was determined to do whatever it had to do to win, it had made the war one to end slavery as well. Now it would make the freed black man a soldier. Doing that it would change things profoundly and permanently by recognizing that the black man was a human being.

No one could be quite sure what this shift in official attitude that changed blacks from property to people would mean in the long run, but the thing carried some kind of commitment to equality. If the soldiers did not like it, and a great many did not like it at all, they were being told in effect: "That's tough."

Black men had served in the Revolution and had fought in the War of 1812, notably at New Orleans, but they had been barred from enlisting in the regular army. Now they would be accepted as soldiers and in most instances, their regiments were federal volunteer units, without specific state designations.

Promises of the recruiters notwithstanding, black soldiers soon found that they were not treated precisely like their white counterparts. There was, for example, the matter of pay. White



MEMBERS OF THE 107TH U.S. COLORED INFANTRY pose for a Brady photograph during the Civil War. (Library of Congress photo by Mathew B. Brady)

## Army Bicentennial Series

privates got \$13 a month. By War Department ruling, black privates drew \$10. The ruling stuck almost until the end of the war.

When Massachusetts officials, outraged by the inequity, voted to make up the difference in pay for black regiments from their state they got a shock. The black soldiers refused to take the additional money. This was a matter of personal pride they explained, a difference between them and their government. They would wait until their government decided to make things right. Their government eventually did so but not before many of these \$10 a month privates had been shot dead in its service.

Mainly they were used as garrison troops and laborers, but some fought and fought well and when black men began to talk about "their government" some major changes were going to come from this war.

What was being done just now may have had some moral backing in the pledge of equality for all men contained in the Declaration of Independence, but it was being done out of necessity. There were other things necessary to the winning of

### Substitution fostered a thriving market in human cattle

the war and they were being done too. Specifically the United States was drafting men into the Army. It was being done poorly for the draft law had built in loopholes that allowed men with money to buy their way out and even to hire substitutes.

The South had come to this grim expedient a year earlier, the North turned to it at last in March 1863.

The main practical use of the draft proved to be that it stimulated volunteering and it had become evident that something drastic would be needed. Volunteering had dropped to a trickle from the flood of two years before.

War had all sounded like a glorious adventure then, but the bill had come due in the long lists of names published after

### White privates got \$13 per month, blacks \$10.

every battle and the young men with empty sleeves who came back to the small towns from places like Antietam, Fredericksburg, Stones River and Chancellorsville.

The war was going badly. Black men would be enlisted because black men were needed to fill the shrinking ranks and the draft, imperfect though it was, would be needed too.

It allowed a man whose number came up to buy deferment for \$300 until his number happened to be pulled again or he could get exempted from military service altogether by hiring a substitute who would serve in his place. Substitution fostered a thriving market in human cattle. Brokers scoured the nation to procure substitutes and what they came up with were the sorriest bums ever sent to serve in an American army.

Many of these were professionals of a

sort, professional crooks who signed up for a cash and took off at the first opportunity to re-enlist some place else and get paid all over again.

It became necessary to assign armed guards to drafts of these bounty men when they were sent down to join combat outfits. Some actually travelled in chains - they were called "hancuffed volunteers" in the Army of the Potomac - and many others were shot by their guards trying to escape.

The veterans in the combat outfits despised these new men who proved almost worthless. A few, subject to brutal punishments like bucking and gagging or being spread eagled on an artillery limber wheel, were kicked and punched into soldiers. Most stole what they could, shirked their duty and deserted at the first chance.

The inequity of the draft law - men with money escaped service and those without went to fight - touched off the strangest battle of the Civil War, the Battle for New York City.

In mid-July 1863, an attempt to enforce the draft act there in a neighborhood composed almost entirely of Irish laborers ignited a three day riot. These were people who could never put their hands on \$300 and who had been told that the newly freed black slaves would soon arrive in New York and compete for their jobs and the combination was too much.

It began with thrown rocks and it turned into a rampage of arson, rape, murder and the lynching of any black man, woman or

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## Blacks (continued)

child unlucky enough to be spotted by the mob.

Policemen and anyone else who got in the way were shot, kicked and beaten to death and things were out of control until several regiments of tough veterans from the Army of the Potomac were rushed into the city and turned back the rioters with bayonets and bullets.

The draft, in short, carried a very high price, but because it encouraged volunteering it was a price that was going to be paid.

In the end, some 2.6 million Americans served in the Union army. Only about six percent of that number were drafted. The remainder volunteered, among them about 180,000 blacks. Each one of the latter, by his service, staked a claim to be an American, something that may not have occurred to too many of their

countrymen but something that a former slave, Frederick Douglass saw clearly when he wrote:

"Once let the black man get upon his person the brass letters, U.S.; let him get an eagle on his button and a musket on his shoulder and bullets in his pocket, and there is no power on earth which can deny that he has earned the right to citizenship in the United States."

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## Science Winner Here

Five minutes of conversation tells the story — Richard Foch is a winner.

The 18-year old high school graduate from Titusville, Fla., visited the Missile Command last week at Army expense, just one of the many opportunities afforded a winner of the International Science Fair.

Richard's specific interest in Redstone is linked to MICOM's research program dealing with remotely piloted vehicles (RPV's). His own project involved extensive research on the wing section of an airplane, plus the construction and testing of a model airplane.

Although he didn't actually fly the model at the science fair, he did show a movie filmed in his hometown demonstrating the plane's capabilities.

The local RPV study is part of a tri-service effort to explore possibilities of using low-cost technology to combat tanks or other hardpoint targets. At first glance the RPV model looks like a little boy's dream come true—the biggest airplane on the block.

But the vehicle, with a wing-span of about 8 feet, is a highly sophisticated piece of equipment with a low-resolution television camera mounted in the nose. The control team sitting in a van on the ground, can fly the plane and identify targets by means of tv pictures relayed on a monitor screen.

As the plane dives and maneu-

vers, the tv camera photographs the area below and beyond the model in flight.

Richard, an attentive visitor, commented that this trip to Redstone was a far cry from his original intent—to build a model airplane.

"The science fairs came as an afterthought, but they've really been wise investments."

He has, thus far, received scholarships that will pay for his first four years of college, which he begins this fall at the Florida Institute of Technology.

In addition, he has received other trips, including one in December of last year that took him to Stockholm, Sweden, to attend the Nobel Prize ceremonies.

Coming out on top among international competitors is no easy road but the fierce competition has left Richard with valuable experiences. He speaks calmly and deliberately about his scientific interests.

"I don't know if I had any influence," he said, "but the first year that I entered the Fair, there were very few competitors in aerodynamics. This year there must have been 12 or 15."

The fair is divided into general categories such as engineering, which Richard won.

Reaching international competition levels involves long hours of preparation for regional and state science fairs. Richard put out the effort, now come the rewards.

## Tangled Up

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through whatever means are available, and pursue them with a vengeance.

But the rest of us have got to get on with it. This gray fog of disappointment, surliness, disgust, and anger is going to get in the way of the work. And to do anything other than keep on keeping on is to admit de facto that we are not professionals.

The verse of Dylan's song quoted

above is followed by a verse beginning, "So, I drifted on down to New Orleans . . ." If things get truly bad, that's everyone's option; but then, after all, working is in fact an active verb, and Dear Reader, we are working, aren't we?

Now, if only we can get untangled from these bite-the-bullet, bad luck, blues.

## Girl Scouts Meet

The 1975-76 girl scouting season will get underway this evening with an organizational meeting starting at seven in the Girl Scout Building (3181).

The meeting is open to all adults interested in working as

volunteers. There are several positions open at this time due to the rotation of volunteers.

Those interested in obtaining additional information on scouting at Redstone may call Joan Lewis, troop organizer, at 837-4954.



FIRST HAND LOOK—International Science Fair winner Richard Foch, left, is briefed on the construction and operation of a remotely piloted vehicle (RPV), by Bill Jenkins of the Aeroballistics Directorate. The young man toured research facilities at Redstone during a week-long visit.

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The new Associate in Applied Science in Missile and Munitions Technology also can be earned by missile school instructors and retirees, military or civilian.

The Decatur-based college and the missile school have agreed to award as many as 63 quarter hours of credit upon successful completion of military courses. At least 40 hours must be compiled at the missile school.

After completion of at least 16 additional quarter hours at Calhoun, the AAS degree is awarded. In all, a minimum of 96 quarter hours are required for the two-year degree.

As rated by Calhoun, the greatest number of quarter hours can be earned by students in air defense missile maintenance and land combat—61 in each case. Pershing missile guidance and repair course students can receive 49 hours' credit. An ammo storage student will get 11.

A detailed listing of credits

covering nearly all courses taught at the missile school can be obtained from the school's Office of Education Advisor.

Many of the liberal arts courses needed to round out the 96 hours for a degree are taught on post by Calhoun instructors. Others can be taken at Lee High School or

**To get started toward earning your associate in applied science degree in missile and munitions technology, follow these steps:**

**Get together all certificates of completion or certification records of training for education you have completed.**

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**Watch for a detailed list of MOS courses with equivalent credit hours which will be circulated with a DF explaining the Calhoun degree program.**

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The Army Education Office, Bldg. 3484, can provide a roster of courses to be taught as well as registration information.

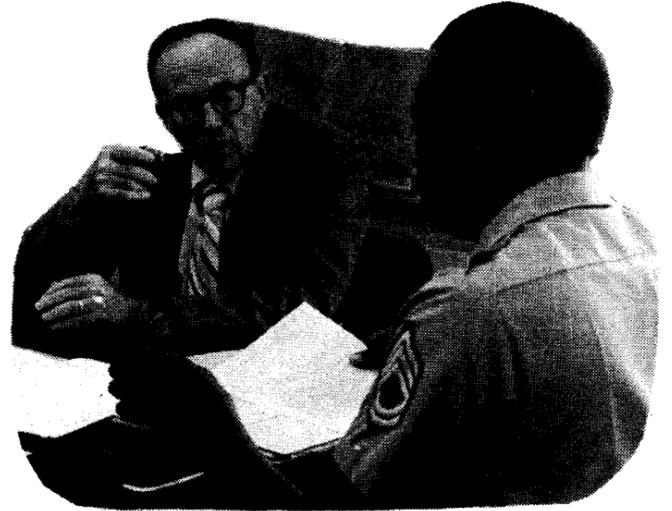
To sign up for the missile school-Calhoun degree program, soldiers should first call Calhoun's Extended Day Programs Office at 353-3102, extension 248.

Instructors wishing to enroll must secure a written statement from the commandant that they have taught courses for which they wish to receive credit. The Extended Day Programs Office is also the first point of contact for instructors.

The only prerequisite for entry into the program is a high school diploma or GED certificate. Soldiers can obtain a GED high school equivalency rating on post through the Army Education Office.

The joint program is approved by the Training and Doctrine Command and the Department of the Army. It is part of a DA push for closer ties between military posts and Servicemen's Opportunity Colleges like Calhoun.

Under the Servicemen's Opportunity College program,



**EDUCATIONAL EXPLORATION**—Sfc. Charles Evans talks with J. C. Calhoun College representative Jim Burr about the new Missile and Munitions Technology degree that Calhoun and the Missile and Munitions Center and School are offering to qualified soldiers and civilian employees.

soldiers can begin their studies at a college near one installation and, when they're transferred to a new post, pick up their studies at another participating college with little or no loss of credit. Transfers from other colleges are, by the way, welcome in the Missile and Munitions Technology degree program.

## Moving Tax Gets Set Back

WASHINGTON (ANF)— Servicemen have been granted a reprieve in the latest skirmish with the taxman. The Secretary of Defense and the Secretary of the

Treasury signed a formal agreement extending the moratorium on official military moving expense taxation until the end of this year.

Had the agreement not been signed, the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) would have begun collecting these taxes on June 30. The IRS has been moving to enforce a portion of the 1969 tax law, disputed by Department of Defense, which requires reimbursement of moving expenses to be taxable.

A proposed legislative relief bill has been forwarded to Congress by DoD.

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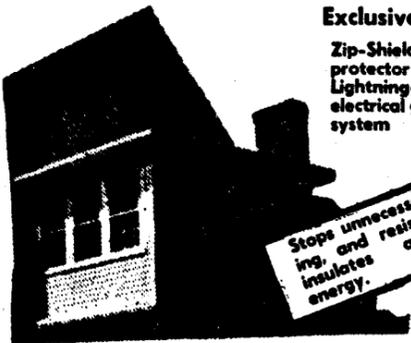


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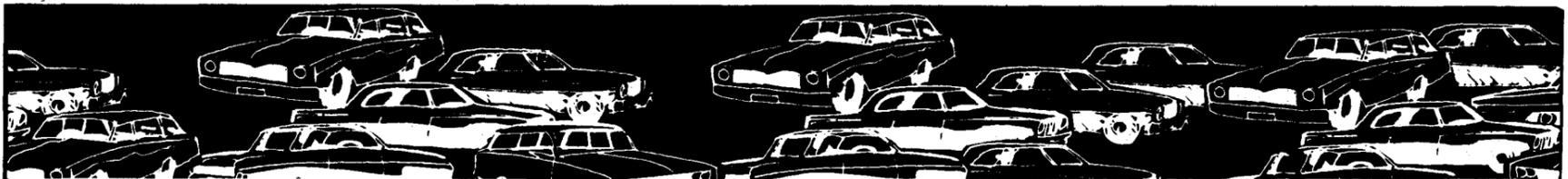
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## World Of Sports

By Dave Cowan

### Bouton's Absurdities

Big league baseball today is unhealthy, undemocratic, un-sportsmanlike, unimaginative, greedy, male chauvinistic, arrogant toward fans, unconcerned about the community, and unfair to midgets.

That's not my opinion, but that of a former Yankee pitcher, Jim Bouton, now a sportscaster for CBS in New York.

His lackluster remarks are from his book, "Ball Four," and describe what he would do if he were your baseball commissioner.

His philosophy and goals are ridiculous, and my goal is to finish this without throwing up.

For fans who don't already know, the commissioner presently draws an annual salary of \$150,000. But according to Bouton, the commissioner is too vulnerable to bribes and a new \$300,000 contract and a liberal expense account will eliminate temptation on his part and suspicion on the part of fans.

Wow! Baseball players already are taking a share of the gate receipts, and the commissioner's salary is outrageous as it stands. Tack on \$150,000 more? Absurd.

Another goal of Bouton's is to draw fans closer to the game. During each game, one fan should be allowed down on the field to play the position of his choice for one inning, he states.

All we need is to have baseball begin resembling soccer games. In South American and Europe, soccer games have developed into free-for-alls. Deaths have resulted from fans' displeasure with a play or referee's call. More than 400 people were killed in one such outbreak.

Baseball doesn't need that kind of involvement.

#### Women Umpires

So far, Bouton's baseball reform package strikes out on all counts. But some of his other ideas may be winners.

For instance, the former hurler believes women should be encouraged to get into baseball. "As your commissioner, I would order that they be given jobs immediately. Many women know the rules of baseball as well as any man, their eyesight is just as good, and if they've read any good books lately, they know all the bad words, too!" said Bouton.

Women should be allowed to umpire "big-time" ball, but I've seen many male contemporaries receive vicious blows from bouncing or ricocheting baseballs. Do women have the stamina to endure such mishaps?

Now that women's rights have infiltrated our society like a bad apple among a bushel of good ones, the female of the species wants to play in the majors. No deal.

Mixing male and female players in a physical contact sport would go over like a lead balloon. For one reason, they speak different languages. And, can you imagine a male base runner sliding into second with the idea of upsetting a female second baseman? He probably would muster the courtesy to avoid such a maneuver, and it would detract from the game.

Pitchers would be less apt to hit a woman hitter or pitch tight and in fear of causing injuries. Maybe some fans feel this is improper even in an all-male game, but hardnosed baseball is what draws crowds.

#### The Democratic Way

Another of Bouton's whims is to have the commissioner force owners to show more community spirit. "I would ban all franchise shifting, and force teams to post a \$1 million bond with the city to be forfeited if a new tenant needs to be found for a vacated stadium," he writes.

Again, I disagree. Take the San Francisco Giants for instance. For the past seven years, the Giants have been near the top in their division. Yet, they're in last place in attendance among the 24 teams competing in both conferences. For one home game this year, they drew only 750 spectators. Excepting one year, they have failed for seven years to hit one million annual attendance, which many owners feel is the minimum to break even.

Why should a team stay in one place if the fans won't support them? Last year, the Giants reported a \$1.4 million loss. Why should the Giants' Stoneman continue to swallow massive losses each year in a game that calls for profits to meet rising player salaries and stockholders' expectations?

I do agree on several points with Bouton's suggested changes in the player reserve clause and the commissioner selection process.

He would like to eliminate the reserve clause in contracts, which binds a player to a team for life. "If a team wants to keep a player, for 5, 10, or 50 years, let it offer him a 5-, 10-, or 50-year contract, like other human beings get.

"I'd also let the players and the fans vote to help select the baseball commissioner. The way things are now, the owners hire and fire him so he represents the owners' financial interests and not the interests of the players, or the fans, or the good of baseball in general," said Bouton.

Some of Bouton's ideas are far-fetched, but some suggest valid changes.

If some of his theories are banished without changing the structure of the game, fine and dandy. If not, I hope if change comes at all it comes after my time on earth.

## O'Neill Stars In Tennis

Mal O'Neill swatted his way to tennis stardom here recently, capturing the singles championship and sharing the doubles crown in the RSA Tennis Tournament.

The Chicago native defeated Richard Rickenbach 7-5, 6-4 in singles at the post courts. With Eddie Bryant, O'Neill whipped the team of Grayson Tate and Robert Morrison 6-0, 6-0 for the doubles title.

Maj. O'Neill, who has been at Redstone since last September, is research and development coordinator with the High Energy Laser Systems Management Office.

Sid Roberts, Larry Welborn and Thomas McLaughlin joined O'Neill for the trip to the TRADOC Western Conference Tennis Championships at Ft. McLeellan this week.

The post tourney, which was played from June 28 to July 21, attracted 14 singles entrants and six teams for the doubles.

## Shooters Place First

The United States Military Team, led by some top-notch Army shooters, captured their seventh consecutive International Shooting Championship recently at Oulu, Finland.

The U.S. team took first in the rifle competition, rapid-fire pistol event and runner-up in center-fire pistol against the powerful Finns. In all, soldiers took three of the four individual medals won by the U.S. squad.

The victorious military team took home an unusual first-place trophy—a matched set of antique dueling pistols in a satin-lined carrying case, donated by the late King Paul of Greece. The trophy was last appraised in excess of \$14,000.

Upon their return from Finland, the Army-dominated squad participated in the U.S. National Shooting competition at Phoenix, Ariz. The top shooters in the event will go on to represent the United States in the upcoming Pan American games.

## Bowling

It's sign up time for the Friday Night Mixed Doubles League. Rosters are available in the post bowling alley.

Bowling starts Sept. 5. A league membership meeting is slated for 7 p.m. Sept. 2 at the Recreation Center.

For details, call the league president at 837-8875 or the league secretary at 837-4410.

## Coffee House

Richard Miller, guitarist and vocalist, will host the Coffee House at the Recreation Center on Sunday evening.

Miller invites all persons with any type of talent to participate and join in the fun.

Coffee and donuts will be served at eight.



TRADOC CHALLENGERS—Arsenal representatives at the TRADOC Western Conference Tennis Championships at Ft. McLeellan this week pause before a pre-departure practice round here. Mal O'Neill, standing at right, captured the post singles championship recently. Other members of the Redstone team are, from left, Larry Welborn, Sid Roberts and Thomas McLaughlin.

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# Slo-Pitch Tournney Season Begins

The District II qualifier for the state slo-pitch championships is the immediate goal of the MISD sluggers following their successful defense of the Civilian Welfare Fund title.

District play opened in Huntsville this week with the top four teams earning a trip to the Alabama State Championships scheduled for late August in Cullman. Joining MISD in district play are the CWF runner-ups from Materiel Management and an all-star outfit from the Redstone Intramural league.

And in between the qualifier and the state meet is the All-Redstone playoffs with the top four CWF outfits going against a like number of teams from the Marshall Center league.

Materiel Management will be trying to make it three in a row in the latter meet with R&D and the Satellites earning the other two Army berths.

R&D had staved off the MISD pennant clinching party with a resounding 18-3 conquest of the champs a week before the finale but the Satellites were unable to duplicate as MISD won for the second straight season in a 19-4 rout.

Wins over the Comptrollers and the T&E Lab enabled MISD to close out the season with 19 wins in 21 tries, one game better than the

chart posted by Materiel Management. R&D closed fast for a 14-7 rating while the Satellites lost nine times against two dozen wins.

The Comptrollers and T&E are involved in a second division

## CWF Slo-Pitch

MISD	W	L
Mat Management	19	2
R & D	18-	3
Satellites	14	7
F & A	12	9
T & E Lab	9	12
Comptrollers	5	16
Chargers	1	20

playoff with Finance and Accounting this week. The Chargers were to have made it a four-team field but were unable to finish the season due to the loss of players.

Rob Sumner clouted a grand slam homer to climax an eleven run first inning outburst that sparked MISD to the clinching win over the Satellites.

Buddy Lewis and Jack Harris also homered during the big inning as Bruce Coker coasted to a win over Bill Hart.

Just a week before MISD looked like anything but champions in absorbing the 18-3 pasting doled out by R&D. A six-run third followed seven more runs in the

fourth spelled the difference.

Dean Reese homered for the winners and Mike Fahey went four for four as Ray Whiddon picked up the win and George Lillard was tagged with the setback.

Lillard got the win in a 7-5 decision for the winners over the Comptrollers and Doug Peavey was the winner in a 11-1 conquest of T&E.

Materiel Management came home the winner four times in the last two weeks of the season to hold off the surging R&D outfit.

Dave Blackwood and Ed Trentham collected three hits apiece as Lindon Calvert hurled a 9-2 win over the Accountants, Jody Winkles belted a three-run homer in a 15-7 win over T&E and Wayne Tucker delivered the winning low for a 6-5 decision over the Satellites.

R&D added wins over T&E and the Comptrollers in grabbing their third place finish.

Reese homered and Ron Eystone hit safely three times in the win over T&E while George Thurlow singled home the tying and winning scores in a come-

back 5-4 win over the Comptrollers.

The Satellites ended three lengths in front of F&A with an 8-6 win over the Comptrollers and a 4-3 decision from the Accountants to show for their last four efforts.

Wade Griffin went four for four and Ken Lomax homered to spark the first win and Leonard Hatcher singled home the winner against F&A. The Accountants, blanked by Bill Hart through six innings, up the win.

erupted for three runs in the final stanza. Griffin cut down the tying score with a strike from right field. The Accountants scored ten times in the first three innings and then coasted to a 12-1 win in the season finale with the Comptrollers.

Herb Wagenheim paced the winning attack with four straight hits and Bill Cannon added three more with Marty Schmitz picking up the win.

## Team 2 Leads Skeet League

Ben Hubbard's Team 2 led the Redstone Rod & Gun Club skeet league at the mid point of the season after seven weeks of shooting.

Russ Hoover was high gun having broken 338 out of a possible 350 targets. Hubbard held second spot with 337, followed by Fred Roseman, 321; Marty Penrod, 319; Fred Biel and Buck Wade, 315 and Bill Cobb, 310.

Trailing Hubbard's squad by

two points with a total of 15 was Bill Burney's Team 4. Other team standings in order included, Mark Phillips, Team 6, 13 points; Buck Wade, Team 5, 10; Fred Biel, Team 8, 8; Don Cutts, Team 7, 8; Fred Roseman, Team 1, 7 and Don Coe, Team 3, 6.

The club plans a trap league to begin August 20 and continue on Wednesday afternoons after work. Members may sign up at the club house. A \$5 entry fee will be charged.

## First Come, First Served

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## Rod & Gun Club Names Chairmen

Fred Roseman, president of the Redstone Rod & Gun Club, has named committee chairmen for the club year which began July 1.

Chairmen include: Finance, Willie O. Carr; Membership, James Potter; Public Relations, Terrence Amidon; Program, D.M. Watt; Local Projects, Donald Lewis; Fish & Game, Bud Hunter; Youth & Education, Ben Hubbard and Committee Coordinator, Ed Barszcz.

Club members are reminded that annual dues were payable effective July 1.

## Race Ticket Deadline Near

Wednesday, August 6, is the deadline for purchasing Talladega 500 NASCAR national championship race tickets at the Recreation Center.

The Center has reserved 52 seats in the Talladega section on the start/finish line. Price of tickets is \$12.

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# No. 2 Teams Formidable

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Except in horseshoes, coming close in sports is like coming in last—it doesn't count.

That's the way it is with the 7th and 8th Students. Both started the RSA Intramural Slo-pitch Softball League last May on a dismal note; buried deep in the cellars of their respective divisions. Both squads rejuvenated into clubs to be reckoned with and when the regular season came to a close last Friday, each unit ended up one game out of first.

It was for them a remarkable and at the same time disappointing comeback.

Yet, on the eve of the post playoffs, which got underway Monday night, none of eight teams competing for the Arsenal softball crown was taking them lightly.

The two teams that finally took the Eastern and Western conferences had to win important games over the two student clubs

top 9-4 in a Friday evening match. Both teams had ended the regular season with 9-7 records.

How teams finish in their divisions is important because parings for the double-elimination post playoffs are based on the final standings (example—first-place team in one division plays the fourth-place team in the other conference). Therefore, the permanent-party dwellers had to settle their differences in a special playoff.

### MONDAY

Two home runs by Rodger Wineinger and Roger Henley in the first two innings helped the 7th Students compile 10 runs, lifting them to a 13-6 win over the Marines.

Shortstop Henley powered the 7th to their win with two more hits—both doubles, Jim Dixon hammered out four base hits, and Mark O'Driscoll got three. Mike Joneas had two doubles, Don Fannin and Fletcher belted a three-bagger each for the Leathernecks.

The 291st MP's picked up eight runs on two walks, four hits and three errors in the first inning and eventually held on for a 14-12 win over Company C in the second contest.

Policeman Charlie Dickerson broke the game open for the MP's in the fourth after the C's fought back with nine runs in the first three innings and trailed the cops 10-9. Dickerson unloaded a towering homer to right with two men on to give the MP's a 13-9 lead and eventually the win.

For the cops, Dickerson added a triple and Gary Jerald belted two doubles. Dave Hayden had a three-bagger and Ed Yohe smashed two doubles for the C's.

As coach Jim Whitfield said, his 4th squad celebrated their Eastern division championship too early. The 8th Students downed the tipsy 4th 18-8.

Bob Parks and Dick Mingle paced the 8th with a triple and two doubles respectively. Elwin Shumway cracked a triple and Tyrome Holt ripped two doubles for the 4th.

### TUESDAY

In the final night of regular scheduled games on Tuesday, Meddac and the 6th SC locked horns in the first contest. The medics snapped a 9-9 deadlock, coming up with two runs in the final inning to upend the Students 11-9.

Leonard Eisenfeld cranked out two doubles and Bob Burroughs and Roger Crossen collected three hits apiece for Meddac. Richie Miller had two doubles for the 6th.

With their backs against the wall, Company A was ready for danger and 95th Calibration found out the hard way against Company A in the second game.

Leading 11-2 in what looked like a sure win for the 95th, the Calibrators committed four errors in the third, allowing the A's to score 12 runs (nine unearned) in posting an eventual 20-13 win.

Ken Bell banged out two triples and Joe Wikoff collected one three-bagger. Leonard Langford had a double for the A's. Alan Suzuki led the medics with two doubles.

Company B deadlocked MICOM in the top half of the seventh inning with four runs, but the "powerhouse gang" pushed four more across in their bottom half to beat the permanent party 12-8.

Red-hot Ray Smith fired two more home runs for MICOM, and fellow missilemen Joe Jones and Mike Spry teamed for five doubles. Mike Fields and Beckwith had a two-bagger each for the B's.

### WEDNESDAY MAKE-UPS

Leonard Langford went three for three, including a double, lifting Company A to an 8-4 win over Company B in the first of three make-up games Wednesday night.

Langford's hot bat eased the pressure on the A's leading the B's 5-4. Two runs came in, then Langford scored the third tally on B's shortstop Beckwith's error.

Ed Brice, Al Stadiford and Fu had two hits apiece for the A's. Jay Johnson collected three singles for the B's.

Mike Spry belted two home runs, and Walt Fuller and Jim Carter added a solo each as MICOM outslugged the 95th Calibration 17-3 in the second game.

The three MICOM stars collected 10 hits among them in 11 trips to the plate. For the 95th, Larry



Sunday tallied two base hits.

MICOM's big win assured them first place in the Western division, but they still finished only one game ahead of the 7th.

In the last game, the 291st MP's scored seven runs in the opening inning and then went on to white-wash the Marines 10-2, behind the strong seven-hit pitching of Frank Chrisman.

In the contest depicting no extra-base hits on either side, the cops compiled 10 hits with Bill Hileman, Gary Jerald and Chrisman collecting two singles each. Burnett led the Marines with two base hits.

The medics came up with six runs in the seventh inning, but fell short. The missilemen edged them 16-15.

It was an important win for MICOM, as a loss would have tied them with the 7th Students.

Mike Spry unloaded a homer and Tim Draft ripped two triples and a double to lift MICOM over Meddac. Randy Hoerth walloped two home runs in a losing effort for the medics.

It was a fruitless effort for Company A in the second game as the 8th Students, after jumping off to a 5-0 advantage, defeated the permanent party 6-3.

Bill Bennett and Bob Parks ignited the students with two hits each—one of Bennett's being a triple—while Ken Bell and Rhodell led the A's with a homer and double respectively.

The A's loss dropped them into a tie with Company C and a playoff was needed to determine their final standing in the Eastern conference.

### INTRAMURAL SOFTBALL

Standings	Eastern	Final	W	L
* 4th SC	12	4	12	4
8th SC	10	5	10	5
** Company C	10	7	10	7
** Company A	9	8	9	8
Meddac	4	12	4	12
6th SC	2	13	2	13
<b>Western</b>				
* MICOM	12	4	12	4
7th SC	11	5	11	5
291st MP's	9	6	9	6
95th Cal.	6	11	6	11
Company B	5	11	5	11
Marines	5	11	5	11
* Divisional Champs				
** Playoff				

in the final days of the regular season.

MICOM's missilemen, who started the season with a shocking 7-0 record, dropped three consecutive games in as many days and had to win their three remaining games to finish with a 12-4 slate—one game ahead of the 7th.

On the other hand in the Eastern division, the 4th Students sewed up their conference two weeks earlier. But then it became a battle among the 8th and Company's A and C to see who would finish second, third and fourth.

The 8th students won the battle for second. The struggle between the A's and C's saw C come out on

## OWC Golf

The Officers' Wives Golf Group held a dog-fight competition during last week's regular playday.

Winning team members for the 18-hole group are Nancy McDonald, Billie Shuput, Betsy Pearce, Camille Schlendering, Maggie Bennett and Judi Dwyer.

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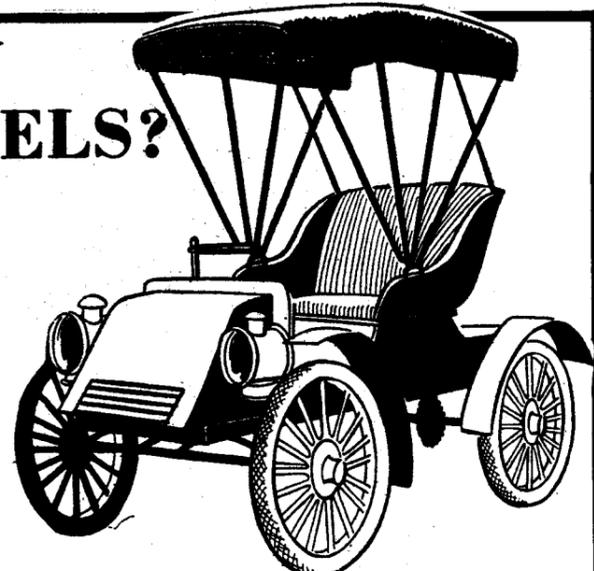
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