

## ***New Mission Satisfies Soldiers***

The soldiers waited for the day's action. They stood in small bull session groups—seeking out the shady spots in this steamy, burning hot day.

Volunteers, all 130 of them, and uncertain what they were getting into, wondered why, in weaker moment, they had displayed so much heart. Awkward in their lack of knowledge of what to expect, they merely said they had never done such a mission, then turned to more familiar subjects of sports cars, military equipment, and life in the School Brigade of MMCS.

A Jaycee broke the mood with, "Here they come," and a fleet of yellow buses arrived. The soldiers' wards began to dismount. Some came with wheelchairs, some with walking sticks, and some struggling unsteadily without walking aides.

For an instant these two groups sized each other up—the strong, self-sufficient soldiers and the youth and young adults who would need some assistance through life. The youngest broke the instant by grabbing one of those big, helpful hands. So the clasped hands became the thing as they walked through the day exploring the Northeast Alabama Fair—the animals, the tent of exhibits made by the handicapped, the carnival rides, and the inevitable hamburger and soft drinks.

So the youth found a helpmate and friend—found a day where they could easily go where their whims desired. And go they did, mindless of heat, oblivious of time.

"Isn't she darling?" Said a WAC. Her uniform was ruffled and wet as she lifted her friend onto another ride. "I'm so glad I decided to come," she said, and squeezed into the miniature airplane.

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"I lost a hat," said one soldier. His friend laughed and hugged the overseas cap tightly so the soldier could not take it back. Then she pointed to another ride and they were back into a world of fun.

The soldiers learned that fun makes for big appetites. They shuttled free hamburgers, provided by local businesses, to the youth who seemed to have no end to capacity.

"You ate three," kidded one soldier.

"Well, you ate five," was the retort.

The day ended unlike it began. Gone was the uncertainty and in its place a realization that beyond a label, such as handicapped, there exists warm and loveable people.

In response to a question from one youth a soldier summed up the collective feeling of the group.

"Well, if I'm not overseas, I'll be back next year."

# AMC Commander Calls For Full EEO Support

In a recent memorandum General John R. Deane Jr., AMC commander, called on officers and NCOs in the command to join him in giving full support to the objectives of the Race Relations-Equal Opportunity Program.

"You are the men and women who are instrumental in achieving equal recognition and opportunity for all our people", Deane said in the memorandum. "Through your leadership, concern and dedication we can accomplish our goals. I know and expect that every member of this command will give to this program the consideration and effort that are so greatly deserved."

Dealing with the cross section of society in AMC "gives us the chance to achieve significant advances in the field of equal opportunity and keep AMC in the forefront as a leader and trend setter in equal opportunity programs", Deane said.

"I officially and personally pledge my full support", said Deane, to achieving the program's primary goals of creating a positive atmosphere of racial harmony and providing equal opportunity for all service members regardless of race, color, religion, national origin or sex.

"You all have my wholehearted support in your endeavors in continuing to improve equal opportunity for each person in AMC and throughout the U.S. Army", he concluded.

# Volunteers Sought

"Volunteer Huntsville Days" will be held next week at The Mall. Interviewers from the Voluntary Action Center and the Community Service Agencies will be present from 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Tuesday and Wednesday to explain programs.

The Center is a non-profit organization whose purpose is to recruit, interview and place volunteers in all qualified agencies in the community requesting such services.

Visiting jail inmates; working at a family planning clinic; tutoring in math or reading, are a few of the many areas for volunteers. The list is extensive and covers a wide range of activities.

Anyone desiring information, but unable to attend the Volunteer Huntsville Days may call 539-7797 or come by the Voluntary Action Center at 701 Andrew Jackson Way, Room 215.

# The Rocket

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# MICOM Civilians Attend College

A number of Missile Command employees answered the roll call when area colleges and universities opened for the fall term this week.

With government financial assistance, 363 courses are being taken by men and women from MICOM. Delia Black of Civilian Personnel discussed the categories of support.

"Employees who qualify under the assistance program may receive full or partial support depending upon the course taken. There is also a program for those who qualify for the upward mobility plan."

To obtain full support, the course courses must be job related and also required to perform a job satisfactorily. Partial support is given for courses that

are not required but are still job related. The upward mobility program tries to enhance the background of an employee desiring to move up the career ladder and who has demonstrated the potential to do so. Assistance is given for courses that would expand this potential.

Mrs. Black added that the individual receiving assistance is totally responsible for making arrangements with the school regarding admission, enrollment and other administrative functions.

Although Civilian Personnel makes no references as to which school is attended, there does exist a list of schools to which assistance will not be approved because of unfair Equal Opportunity practices or other ques-

tionable matters.

"However," Mrs. Black added, "none of these schools are in this area."

The breakdown of courses approved for the fall term is listed below. This is not necessarily the number of students enrolled since some are taking more than one course.

Graduate courses: The University of Alabama in Huntsville, 112; Alabama A&M University, 76; and Jacksonville State University, 1. Undergraduate courses: UAH, 77; A&M, 20; Athens College, 5; Calhoun Junior College, 16.

One civilian on duty in Texas is taking a course at the American Technological University in Killeen, Tex.

# CFC Hopes To Extend Fine Record

A six-week solicitation, starting Monday, September 22, has been established for the 1975 renewal of the annual Combined Federal Campaign in the Huntsville area.

In announcing the schedule Area Coordinator Leonard Twinem said civilian and military personnel of 22 Federal agencies will be united for the annual fund raising effort.

They will get together for the traditional kick-off rally at the Rocket Auditorium and hear Major General Vincent Ellis deliver the keynote for this year's drive.

The main stress of the drive will be to extend for another year the excellent record of previous years that have seen Huntsville consistently near the top among the nearly a hundred areas of the country that conduct drives of this kind.

The Huntsville area perennially claims one of the highest per capita giving figures as well as a rate of participation that ranks among the best.

In last year's drive local donors made contributions totaling \$589,583 with 95 per cent of the 17,500 Federal employees joining in the campaign with gifts that averaged \$33.76 per giver.

Ruth Milner Morrison will direct the Missile Command drive this year with O. C. Ashworth serving as the vice chairman.

Ruth Milner Morrison of the Metrology and Calibration Center is directing the Missile Command drive this year with O. C. Ashworth of Materiel Management serving as assistant chairman.

William Clark of Civilian Personnel has taken over the training function and has already held briefings for the personnel of most of the smaller agencies located off Redstone.

The financial end of the overall campaign will be directed for the fourth consecutive year by Gene Sisson of the Comptroller Office, and Marietta Graves is once more the payroll deduction coordinator.

# Bloodmobile Day Wednesday

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# Turnmeyer Gets Second Star

The deputy commander of the Missile Command has been promoted to Major General. Mrs. George E. Turnmeyer pinned the second star on her husband's shoulder last week assisted by MG Vincent H. Ellis, MICOM Commander.

General Turnmeyer's mother, Mrs. Louise B. Turnmeyer, Mrs. Turnmeyer's mother, Mrs. Marie Fahey of Dubuque, Iowa; and the couple's two children, Ann and Robert attended the brief ceremony here last week.

Other special guests included Miss Frances Shunk, Lt. Col. William Shunk (U.S. Army retired) and Mrs. Shunk, all of Huntsville.

A native of Dubuque, Turnmeyer, 50, entered the Army as a private in April 1944 following graduation from Loras Academy, Dubuque.

He has been in his present

assignment for a year after 16 months as Project Manager for the Lance Ballistic Missile System. He was promoted to Brigadier General during that assignment. He had commanded the U.S. Army Materiel Command, Europe, prior to coming to Redstone in April 1973.

Other overseas tours during 31 years of active Army service have taken him to the Phillipine Islands, Korea and France.

He received the Bachelor of Military Science Degree from the University of Maryland in 1954 and the Master of Business Administration in Industrial Management from Babson College in 1957.

The general is also a graduate of the Army Command and General Staff College, Armed Forces Staff College and the Industrial College of the Armed Forces.



GETS SECOND STAR

... General Ellis, Mrs. Turnmeyer do the honors for General Turnmeyer ...

## Register Directs P&P

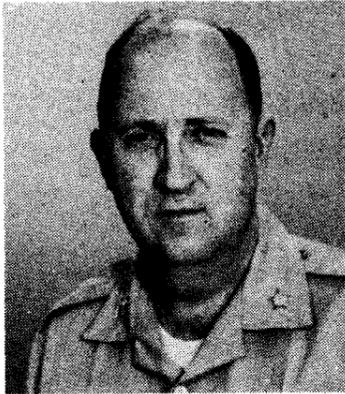
One of the last Army officers to leave Vietnam in April, Colonel Benjamin F. Register, Jr., has been named to head MICOM's Procurement and Production Directorate. He succeeds Colonel Leonard M. Winter who retired at the end of August.

The newly assigned colonel recalls, "It was 4:10 PM April 29, the last day helicopters lifted Army personnel out of Saigon, that I was evacuated. There was a good deal of rocket and mortar fire and some ground action at the time, but the Marine helicopter crews, ground security force, and the Naval evacuation task force were superb."

He was among those who remained to the end as he had been assembling and organizing personnel for evacuation by helicopter.

His assignment in Vietnam was as chief, Resources Management Branch, in the Army Division of the Defense Attache Office.

Now he is turning his attention to a field quite familiar to him - procurement. In 1960 he began an assignment in the Office of the Assistant Chief of Staff for In-



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dustrial Operations of the Army Ordnance Missile Command (AOMC), forerunner of MICOM, and in 1969-70 he was chief of the Procurement Division, Ammunition Procurement Supply Agency, Joliet, Ill, then part of the Army Munitions Command. Later, he served on the Department of Army staff in Washington, D. C.

"This is my third tour at Redstone, a place I like," he said. "I was a student and then on the staff of the Ordnance Guided Missile School, now called MMCS, in the

late 50s. I then returned for the assignment at AOMC in 1960."

Register has a bachelors degree in industrial management from Georgia Tech having attended there on a basketball scholarship, and received a masters degree in logistics management from the Air Force Institute of Technology at Wright Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio in 1966.

He is also a graduate of the Command and General Staff College and of the Industrial College of the Armed Forces.

Among his overseas tours, in addition to Vietnam where he was assigned twice, are Alaska and Korea. While in Korea he participated in "Operation Big Switch", repatriation of American POWs from North Korea.

## Schaub Heads RASA

Colonel Warren M. Schaub is the new Deputy Post Commander and Commander of the Redstone Arsenal Support Activity (RASA), a position he assumed when Col. John D. White retired at the end of August. He had been Deputy Commander of RASA since January.

"I'm delighted to have this position," he said last week. "It's the kind of job that could be impossible if it weren't for the many talented, dedicated people we have in RASA. Then too, there's no set routine for anyone heading RASA. Every day is different and therefore always interesting."

No newcomer to the area, the colonel was first assigned to the Safeguard Logistics Command in 1972, and subsequently joined the Ballistic Missile System Defense Command, the assignment he held before transferring to RASA.

A former Navy enlisted man, he had sea duty in both the Atlantic and Pacific for two years during and immediately following World War II. His 24 years of Army duty have taken him to Korea, Germany and Vietnam, and to stateside posts at Forts Sill, Polk, Benning, Jackson and Leavenworth, then Washington, D.C. where he served on the Department of Army Inspector General's staff.

Schaub is from Anadarko, Oklahoma and is a 1951 graduate of the University of Oklahoma with a bachelors degree in management.

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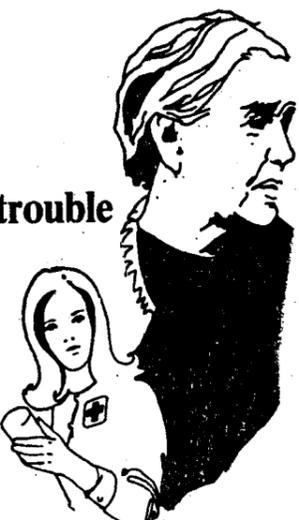
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Accreditation Discussed

# Education Group Visiting MMCS

A twelve-man team of educators is visiting the Missile and Munitions Center and School this week to check the institution's qualifications for accreditation by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools.

Headed by Dr. Phares S. Nye, associate executive secretary of the Atlanta-based Commission on Occupational Education Institutions of the Southern Association, the team will talk informally with faculty, staff and commanders to determine if MMCS meets accreditation standards.

The missile school is seeking a rating as a vocational-technical institution. MMCS officials say accreditation will signify the academic community's ac-

ceptance of Army training standards.

Should accreditation be granted, officials expect that a soldier's chances of obtaining college credit for military courses taken here will be markedly improved.

"The team's purpose will be to determine if the standards of this school meet or exceed the standards set by the association," said Vaughn E. Davison, MMCS education advisor. "They will visit every element of the school, assessing our training."

A briefing on the Army service school's mission and training kicked off the team's stay on Monday afternoon. Dinner followed at the Officers' Open Mess.

The next day, a 6:30 a.m.

working breakfast opened a busy day of visits to school departments. A similar schedule faced the team on Wednesday.

Team members, most of whom teach or administer vocational or technical instruction in southeastern schools, will view instruction at MMCS both in the classroom and at various outdoor training sites. They will talk to advisors, instructors, students and others.

A fact sheet circulated to MMCS employees encouraged them to hide nothing. "If one of the visitors asks you what you think about your instruction," said the sheet, "tell him honestly what you think."

"On Thursday afternoon there will be an exit briefing with the Commandant at which time the team will relay their observations and findings and submit recommendations and suggestions," said Davison.

School Commandant Col. David C. Smith will know Thursday afternoon whether the school has earned accreditation, Davison said. The team's conclusion must be confirmed within 30 days and, if all goes well, formal accreditation will come in December, Davison said.

The missile school was accepted as a candidate for accreditation last December. A self-study report which explained the school's training and programs and examined problems was submitted last month.

The report will be the basis for questions the team will be directing at school employees this week.

## TACOM Split

Department of the Army has approved establishment of a Tank-Automotive Systems Development Center and a Tank-Automotive Logistics Command to be formed from the present TACOM headquarters and Mobility Systems Laboratory.

The reorganization follows through on recommendations of the Army Materiel Acquisition Review Committee (AMARC) which proposed separate development centers for research, development, engineering and materiel acquisition with logistics and readiness functions being performed in logistics commands. Implementation of the realignment plans has begun at TACOM and is expected to be completed in five or six months.

## Chapter Hears NASA Coordinator

NASA's Federal Women's Program Coordinator, Mrs. Ocie Hall, is the scheduled speaker at the dinner meeting September 23 of the local chapter of the International Personnel Management Association. The public is invited.

Tickets are \$6 and obtainable from Arleta Martin, Bldg 5250, Rm A116, phone 876-3436. A 6 p.m. social precedes the dinner at 7 p.m.

## Self Help Workshop

A workshop in "Rational Emotive Self-Help Techniques" will be conducted by John Walling, Ph.D, a local counselor and educator, beginning Sept. 11 from 8-10 p.m.

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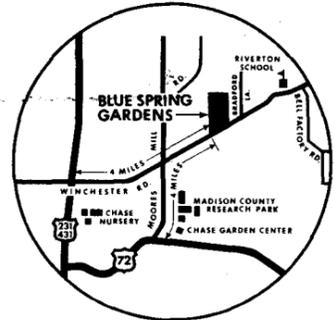
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# Deutsche Schule: German Language Taught In School Opening

German soldiers at the Missile and Munitions Center and School opened a special school at Redstone Arsenal last week, one in which only German will be spoken.

Called simply the German School—Deutsche Schule, its aim will be to keep about 30 children in grades one through four in touch with the language and culture they left behind.

At opening ceremonies in Toftoy Hall, Lt. Col. Georg Schreiber, German Air Force Liaison Officer at MMCS, said in a speech that because soldiers' children "must return to Germany," a school was needed which would strengthen their ties with their homeland.

"After five or six months in the Huntsville schools, my children were speaking English better than I did," Schreiber recalled. He said he took this as a sign that his children were becoming "thoroughly Americanized."

Germans at Redstone began working to form a native language school over a year ago. At first, Schreiber said, the response from higher headquarters was sprinkled with words like "impossible" and "too much money."

By July 1974, however, the schoolteacher wife of a German officer was teaching children in German for three hours each week. In October, approval for a full-time German language school was secured from the Ministry of Defense in Bonn.

Dr. V. M. Burkett, superintendent of Huntsville schools, approved the arrangement six

months later.

Mrs. Anke Otto was named principal of the German School. She will teach the primary grades—grades one through four under the German school system—five days a week at the Arsenal Chapel Annex.

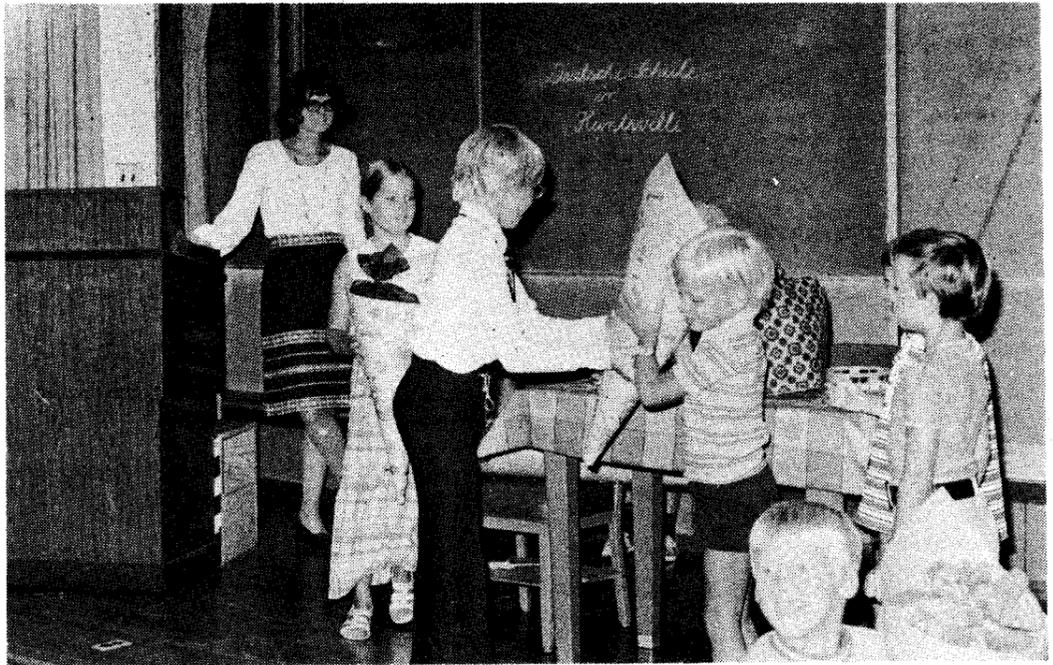
Children in grades five and up will continue to attend Huntsville city schools, but will receive three hours a week of German language training at Redstone. Georg Von Tiesenhausen will be their instructor.

"I wish you a good mixture of pleasure, humanity and education," said Schreiber to Mrs. Otto in his address to some 50 persons at the school's opening. Col. David C. Smith, MMCS commandant, Chaplain William Wetzell and other officials were present.

Uwe Klee, principal of the El Paso, Tex., German school, was guest speaker for the opening. He emphasized that foreign language schools are nothing new: U.S. soldiers overseas send their children to English-language schools instead of to those taught in the tongue of the host country.

A group of students staged a comic play based on a German story. Mrs. Otto distributed ample gifts of candy to first graders in the audience, as is the custom in Germany on a child's first day of school.

The candy, Mrs. Otto said, is meant to sweeten a day filled with new faces and happenings.



**SWEETS**—For first graders, the first day of school is a big, often frightening event. In Germany, they remedy the anguish with a giant cone of sweets for each newcomer to academics. Mrs. Anke Otto, left, principal of the new German School at Redstone, revived the custom at the school's opening last week.

## One-Station Training Concept Starts

It is sometimes said the Army wastes money by programming basic and advanced individual training at different installations.

But recently, the Army moved to change the situation by establishing a new infantry training brigade—a one-station training concept—at Ft. Benning.

The brigade was activated Sept. 2. In the past, soldiers who completed basic training at Benning underwent AIT training at one of numerous sites throughout CONUS.

A considerable savings for the Army in travel allowances should result. Soldiers now can complete both phases of their training at one

location—sparing them an inconvenient moving chore.

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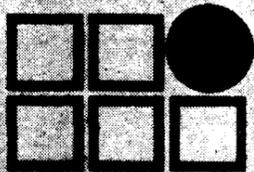
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In the case of the Missile and Munitions Center and School's September Soldier of the Month, the Army is a family tradition. Specialist Four Eugene W. Grant Jr. is the son of a retired master sergeant and has evidently charted a long military career of his own. "I'm a career Army, no doubt about it," said the Lawrenceburg, Tenn., native. "It's just a question of whether I retire at warrant officer four or general. The future holds that."

Grant, 20, entered the Army a year ago this month and completed basic training at Ft. Knox, Ky. For a year prior to his enlistment, he majored in mathematics and Russian at Vanderbilt University on a four-year Marine Corps scholarship.

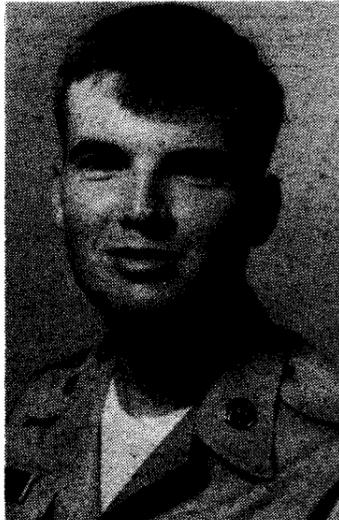
At the close of his freshman

year, he needed a "change of pace," he said. Forsaking a commission and a degree, Grant donned the uniform of an enlisted man and ended up at MMCS studying Pershing missile electronics repair.

"My father was career Army," said Grant. "Once Army, always Army."

The hard-driving specialist four plowed confidently through 38 weeks of computer-oriented training and emerged first in his class at graduation ceremonies last week. Grant will soon move on to 48 weeks of Army aviation training at Ft. Rucker, Ala.

He was named Soldier of the Month after competition here. Judges rated aspirants on knowledge of military and world affairs, on bearing and on appearance.



GRANT

Quality Given Most Emphasis

Washington, D.C.—The Army has chosen to accept the possibility of fewer enlistments in coming months in order to more closely match numbers, quality and skills of recruits with service needs.

Recruiters have been signing up too many persons for certain military occupational specialties, which has resulted in overloads at certain training centers and low attendance at others, an Army spokesman said.

A new procedure sets weekly rather than monthly recruiting goals and requires that recruiters be more careful in selecting applicants.

This technique, according to Department of the Army, will

provide timely replacements for persons mustered out of the service or transferred. Units will not need to be without persons possessing critical skills for as long a time, the spokesman said.

Personnel turbulence will be decreased, readiness will be improved and training centers will be better used, according to the spokesman.

Recruiting shortfalls are expected to be intensified by the Army's recent elimination of the two-year enlistment option, by increased emphasis on quality and by requirements for longer terms of service.

Army officials said they expect to recoup recruiting shortages later in the fiscal year.

DIAL 112 FOR REDSTONE NEWS

Additional Compensation For Vets

An estimated 2.5 million service-connected disabled veterans and eligible dependents of deceased veterans who died of service-connected causes will receive an additional compensation check from the Veterans Administration this month.

The checks, ranging in amounts of \$3 to \$174, will represent increases of 10 to 12 per cent signed into law by President Ford last month. The increases came too late to be included in the August checks.

A separate check, representing the retroactive amount for August, will be mailed about mid-September, a VA spokesman said. The new rates will be reflected in the September checks. Total cost

of the increases for the first year is \$450 million.

The increases require no action by recipients, VA officials emphasized. No contact with VA offices is necessary.

Veterans with a 50 per cent or less disability rating received a 10 per cent increase in their monthly payments. Veterans with a greater disability rating and dependency indemnity compensation beneficiaries received a 12 per cent increase under the new law.

Monthly payments to single veterans with 10 per cent disabilities were increased from \$32 to \$35. Veterans rated 100 per cent were raised from \$584 to \$655. For the most severely disabled, the maximum amount was raised from \$1,454 to \$1,628 monthly.

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# Little Office Has Big Job

Gus Brown's job at Redstone is a curious melange of old and new—old as Honest John which has been around since 1954 and new as the Multishot Flame Weapon which the Army Missile Command is developing as a replacement for the Army's older flame thrower. With one of the smallest but most active shops in MICOM's Special Systems Management Office, headed by Colonel H. C. Bennett, Jr., Brown and his staff of 10 battle daily the problems connected with the support and maintenance of familiar names such as Honest John, Sergeant, Redeye, Small Free Rockets and Aircraft Weapons Systems.

"They're doing an outstanding job," praised Lt. Col. J. S. Laposata, Chief of the Special Systems Analysis and Administration Office.

Though many of the weapons are no longer in production in the Army's arsenal of weapons, the command must support the fielded systems and the soldiers who man the equipment.

"We review, coordinate and manage the programs," Brown said, "but we get support across the board at MICOM, particularly in the laboratories and functional directorates."

"We use the team approach. Whenever there's a problem, we call the team together at MICOM from Special Systems, the directorates, safety office and legal office, among others, and review the problem so we can attack it."

Brown cited one example.

"We had a malfunction at Tooele Army Depot not long ago with the trigger switch on one weapon. We immediately established conference calls, got all the interested parties together and arranged for a team to go to Tooele. Based on the team's findings and later analysis in the R&D Labs we found that the weapon had a defective trigger switch.

"Within 30 days the team had developed a plan and eliminated the problem," Brown said.

Brown said his office works closely with MICOM Senior Staff Technical Representatives stationed around the world.

One of the most active of the "older" systems and the one requiring much work and attention at the moment is Redeye. Foreign military sales are booming and seven countries have already bought the shoulder-fired plane killer.

MICOM also has developed a Moving Target Simulator which creates an environment giving gunners realistic training with Redeye. Featuring tapes that simulate aircraft flights, complete with an infrared source on the screen, the equipment utilizes a trainer identical to the actual Redeye weapon.

"We now have 13 training facilities in operation around the world," Brown said.

Of added importance, the simulator will be used with the Army's new Stinger air defense system now under development with minor modifications.

Elsewhere, Honest John and

Sergeant are being replaced by Lance but Honest John will be retained by the National Guard. That means coordination with Fort Sill Okla., to keep the Honest John training facility going and a review of assets to insure that spare parts are available.

Small Free Rockets include the M-72 (LAW) which was developed at MICOM and turned over to what is now the Armaments Command, the M-202 Multishot Flame Weapon, and the XM-96 which is a chemical rocket that would dispense tear gas.

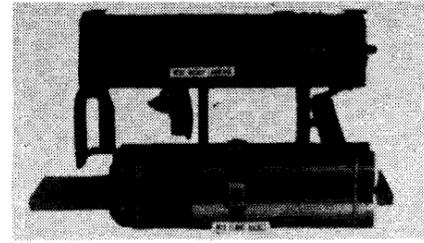
MICOM has research and development responsibilities for all these small free rockets," Brown explained, "while ARCOM has life cycle management responsibility."

Brown said once MICOM completes R&D on small free rockets, responsibility is turned over to ARCOM if the item is a low cost, high density item that is mass produced in the conventional ammunition base and distributed through the same logistics system as other conventional ammunition.

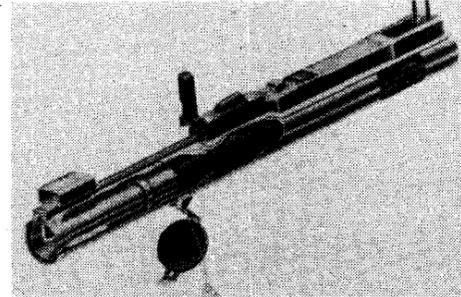
In Aircraft Weapons, the M-22 which saw action in Vietnam is still in the Army inventory but is to be replaced by TOW Cobra. The M-22 will remain in the reserves forces however.

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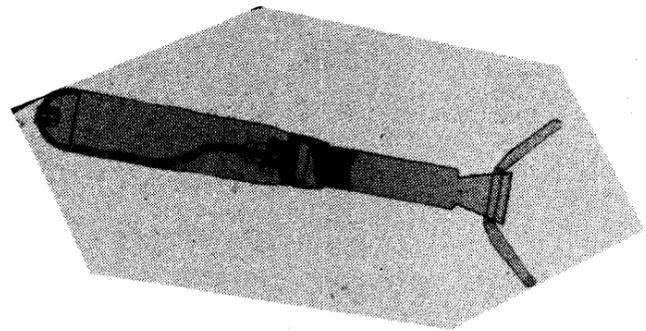
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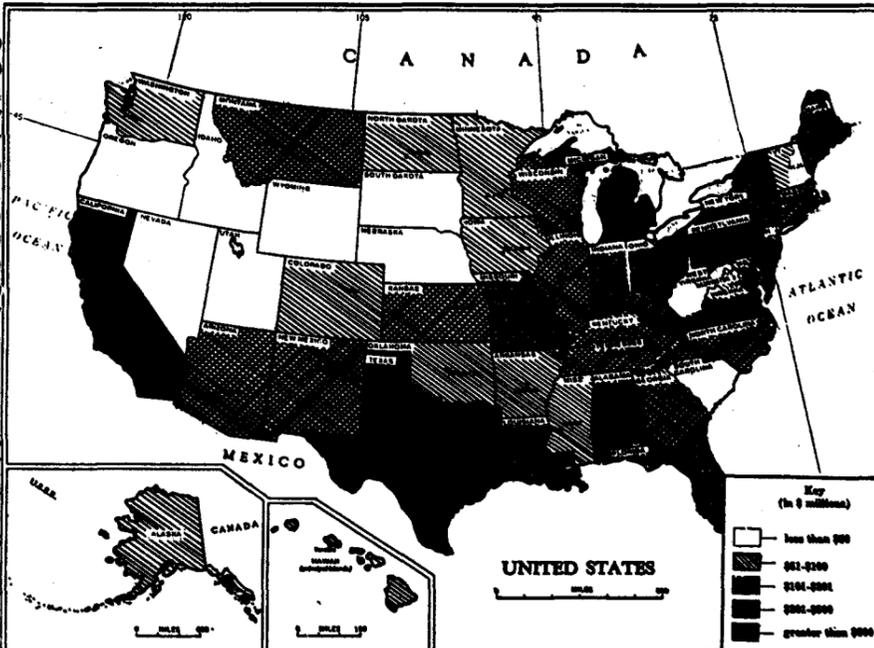
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Conn.	124.1
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Del.	10.9
Fla.	261.9
Ga.	169.0
Hawaii	53.7
Idaho	16.9
Ill.	196.4
Ind.	445.9
Iowa	89.1
Kan.	110.6
Ky.	123.7
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Maine	256.3
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Mich.	764.2
Minn.	96.8
Miss.	53.9



State	Total Amount (in \$ millions)
Mo.	284.7
Mont.	156.1
Neb.	11.9
Nev.	3.5
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Wyo.	.4

## Utilities Manager Is Guest Speaker

The Institute of Electronic and Electrical Engineering (IEEE) will meet Sept. 19 at 11 a.m., at the Roadway Inn. Guest speaker, E. E. Cobb, will discuss "The Effects of the Energy Crisis on Utility Rates."

Cobb is general manager of Huntsville Utilities. He is also vice president of the American Public Gas Association and secretary-treasurer of the Tennessee Valley Public Power Association.

Reservations should be made by Tuesday with Don Fronck at 895-6463; Barnes Beasley, 453-3734; Donna Brock, 876-7241; John Hawkins, 533-0300, ext. 238; or Mel Hilbert, 533-3700, ext. 335.

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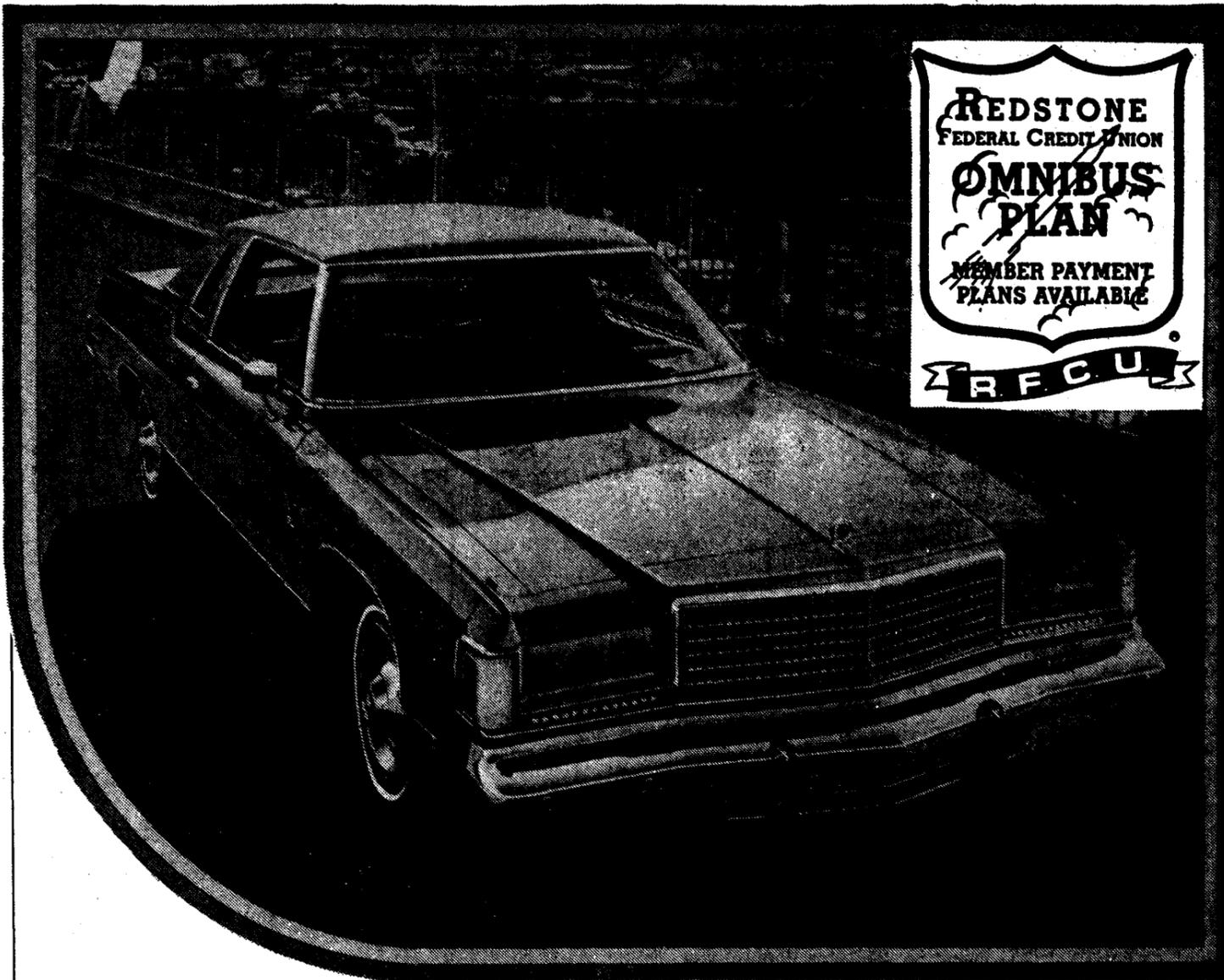
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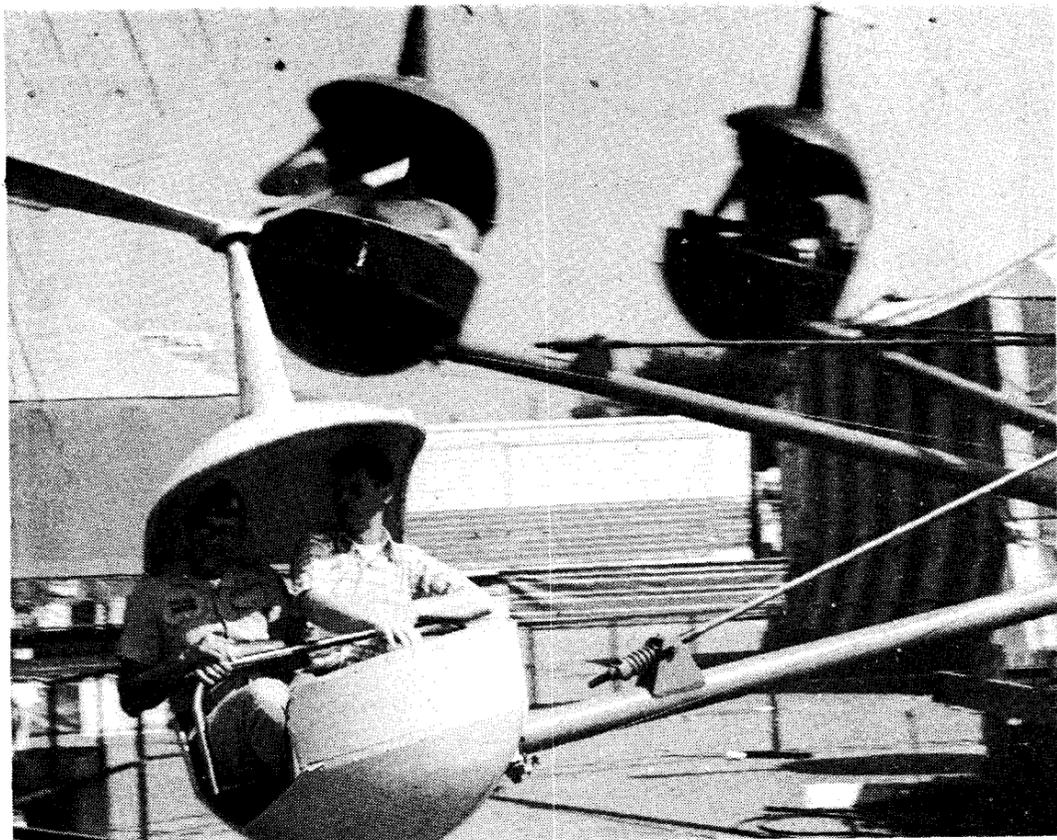
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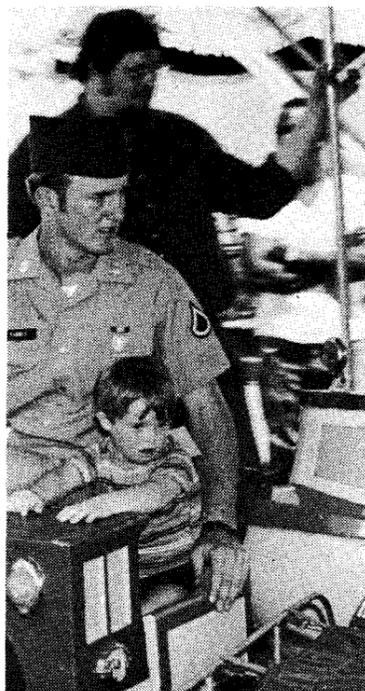
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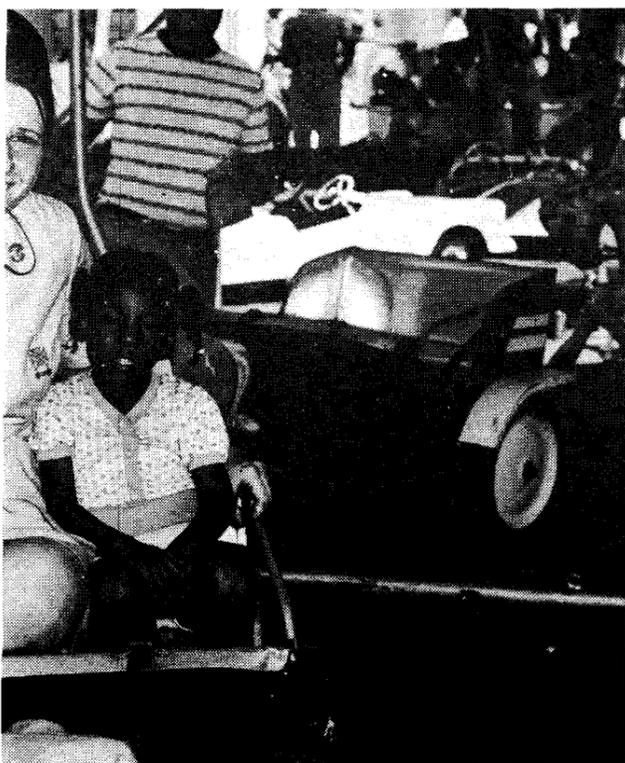
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And it was knotting a neckerchief across your nose and mouth and gagging as you buried what you found spread eagled over a slow fire, or the sudden dry taste of fear at the sight of a single naked horseman on a distant ridge wheeling his pony slowly, signaling "Enemy."

After the Civil War the regular Army came back to the American West destined to fight more than 1,000 engagements against the plains Indians.

It was a time to relearn the hard lessons of small unit tactics against a foe who specialized in mobility and deception.

The penalties for those who did not learn fast were harsh. There was, for example, Captain William J. Fetterman.

### WAR TESTED

Fetterman quickly became a divisive influence when he showed up at Ft. Philip Kearny in November 1866. In contrast to the fort's commander, Colonel Henry B. Carrington, Fetterman had a fine combat record in the Civil War. Carrington, through no fault of his own, had spent the war in administrative jobs far from the fighting.

Beset by hostile Sioux, Carrington and his small garrison had been attempting to build the fort and lay in a supply of firewood before the onset of winter.

When the Indians raided his horse herd and harassed wood cutting parties, Carrington had used cautious defensive tactics.

The officers and men in the fort soon all had heard Fetterman say: "Give me eighty men and I would ride through the whole Sioux nation." Many shared his opinion.

In the winter of 1866, the tiny regular Army had been scattered in remote garrisons spotted along the main immigrant trails. Ft. Phil Kearny was one of three on the Bozeman Trail, which left the Oregon Trail about 70 miles west of

Ft. Laramie, and went Northwest through the Powder River Country to the gold mining camps at Virginia City, Montana. The trail ran through the hunting grounds of the many tribes of the Sioux nation. The Sioux wanted no part of the white man's wagon trains and forts.

Early immigrant trains had been turned back by determined Indians. When others persisted, fighting broke out. Soon there were calls for the Army to protect the immigrant trains.

### FREQUENT ATTACKS

Carrington and his small force had come to the site of Ft. Kearny in July 1866. In the ensuing five months, the Sioux made 51 attacks or raids. Several soldiers had been killed.

The early fights had been a learning process for both the soldiers and their opponents. The Sioux learned more. They noted that the soldiers had been easily led into small ambushes. In one brief fight soon after the arrival of a troop of cavalry, they had lured its commander and a few horsemen away from the main force and killed them.

By December, the Sioux had carefully planned, even rehearsed, a massive ambush, hoping to draw a large part of Carrington's force away from the protection of the fort where it could be surrounded and destroyed.

Four days before Christmas, fate and Captain Fetterman combined to give the Sioux the opportunity they sought.

A wood cutting party left the fort about 10 in the morning. An hour later, a lookout post atop a hill a short distance from the fort signaled the train was under attack. A mixed force of infantry and cavalry assembled hastily on the parade field. As Carrington was giving final orders to Captain James W. Powell Fetterman came up and demanded that he be given command. Fetterman outranked Powell. Carrington placed him in charge.

Fetterman had 48 infantrymen and 28 cavalry troopers, 76 in all. Four volunteers, an enlisted man, an officer friend of Fetterman's and two civilians, then rode up and asked to go along and Fetterman had his 80 men. The two civilians were particularly welcome, each carried a 16 shot Henry repeating rifle. The soldiers were armed with single shot muzzleloaders.

### DO NOT ENGAGE

Carrington's orders to Fetterman were explicit: "Support the wood train. Relieve it and report

to me. Do not engage or pursue Indians at its expense. Under no circumstances pursue over Lodge Trail Ridge."

Exactly what happened next has never been known in detail, because Fetterman and his men were about to fight one of two actions in the Indian Wars in which no white men survived.

Lured on by a few mounted Indian decoys, Fetterman moved West to the crest of Lodge Trail Ridge. About that time the Sioux who had been harassing the wood train rode up and joined the decoys, mocking the soldiers, riding in close to the column, flapping blankets and shouting.

The temptation proved too much for Fetterman. He ordered his men forward, cavalry in the lead. The horse soldiers tore off after the Indians, infantrymen hurried along trying to keep up and Fetterman's column became badly strung out.

The startled soldiers suddenly found themselves an island in a sea of Indians. Dismounted warriors jumped out from the tall grass and from behind rocks on both sides of the trail, loosed a hail of arrows. Indians interviewed years later said there were some 4,000 warriors in the camps near Ft. Kearny that winter. Most of them lay in wait for Fetterman and his 80 men west of Lodge Trail Ridge.

Rifle fire, heard plainly in the fort, lasted about 45 minutes, long enough for a relief column to get on the way. It died out just as the relief force reached the crest of Lodge Trail Ridge. The soldiers gasped at the sight of hundreds of Indians swarming the valley below.

The Sioux made no move to attack. Gradually, they moved off and the soldiers on the hill could make out objects along the road, the bodies of Fetterman's men, all dead.

### FROZEN BLOOD

The Indians carried off their dead and wounded but there was evidence that Fetterman's soldiers had not sold their lives cheaply. Small groups of men had made it to the rocks along the road. Carrington said in his report that 65 pools of frozen blood had been counted near the position where the two civilians with their Henry repeaters had held out while their ammunition lasted.

The soldiers and their single shot muzzle loaders had been overwhelmed. At the end it was clubbed muskets for a few desperate minutes. They found the bugler

with his instrument, battered and beaten out of shape, still clutched in his lifeless hand. His body had been covered with a buffalo robe. A number of the others had crosses slashed on their breast or back, the Sioux mark of a brave man.

Fetterman and his officer friend who had volunteered to ride along on what promised to be an exciting afternoon were found close together with powder burns on their temples. Plainly they had saved the traditional last bullet for themselves to avoid capture and certain slow death by torture.

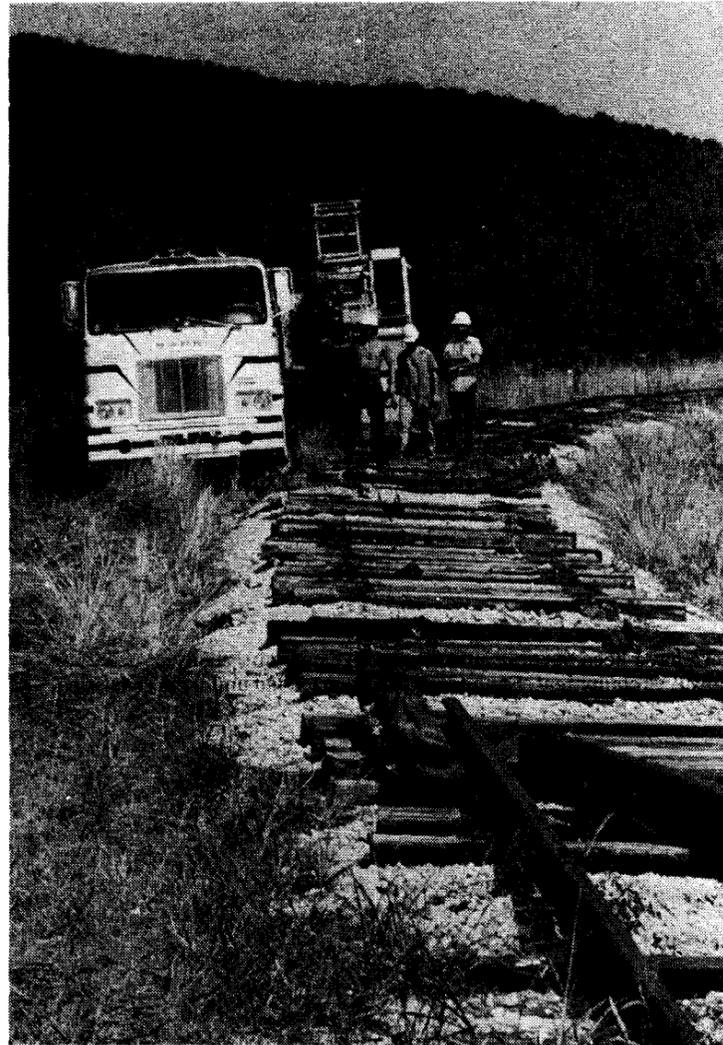
As the wagons bearing the frozen bodies of Fetterman and his

80 men rolled into the fort in the gathering dusk it was evident that there would be no quick and simple victory in the war with the plains Indian.

None knew it at the time, but the fighting would in fact continue for another 24 years and eight days, ending at last on another frozen field, not too far away, a place called Wounded Knee.

### Sources:

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HOT RAILS—A flatbed and a fork lift, and workmen, form a busy backdrop to the once heavily used railway tracks near Skunk Hollow. The area became a hot spot last week when a grass fire broke out near the working crew. Quick action by the crew and the installation fire department quelled the flames before any damage could result.

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# Salvitti Edges Piette

## World Of Sports

By Dave Cowan

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Their commanding presence will undoubtedly stir mixed emotions among their rivals—especially the Missilemen, who captured the CG's silver cup last year, but are out of contention this year.

While the Missilemen and others want revenge, the 4th will feel the most pressure from the 7th SC. Since the annual trophy is based upon total points accumulated over the past year, the 7th is capable of surpassing the 4th's overall point total if they win their division and the playoffs.

The question now becomes, "How much juice can the 7th squeeze from the 4th?"

The pickings could be easy for the 7th. After all, the 4th Students are considered ripe candidates. In the past year, the 4th has swept basketball and European team handball and recently captured their division in softball. They ended last year's sports program with a divisional win in football.

Every dynasty must come to an end, hopefully a sweet one for the deserving 4th—a bunch of transient students, here today and gone tomorrow. In any case, a divisional title for either team would mark the first time in Redstone's sporting history that a team or teams from the Missile and Munitions Center and School swept all major sporting events for a given year.

Time will tell. The league opens Sept. 15 on the two football fields across from Linton Field. The season ends the first week of November with playoffs scheduled from Nov. 3 through 7, followed by an All-star contest on Nov. 12.

There have been several interesting developments since last season. One involves equipment. Each team will be provided uniforms consisting of jerseys, trousers, helmets and shoes for an 18-man roster.

"The vivid uniforms will somewhat professionalize the league," said sports director Ralph Santalix.

For the first time, players will wear helmets, a costly item, but Santalix believes it will reduce head and facial injuries.

All in all, the complete uniform should unify the league. Ragged cutoffs, T-shirts, multiple colored socks and footwear are passe.

A one-over 73 on Sunday enabled Joe Salvitti to stave off John Piette's closing surge and capture the 1975 club championship at the Redstone Arsenal golf course.

Salvitti sandwiched his 73 between an 80 and a 78 for a 54-hole total of 231, below Piette in the Labor Day weekend event. Hal Lee and Joe Coffman shared third place another stroke back.

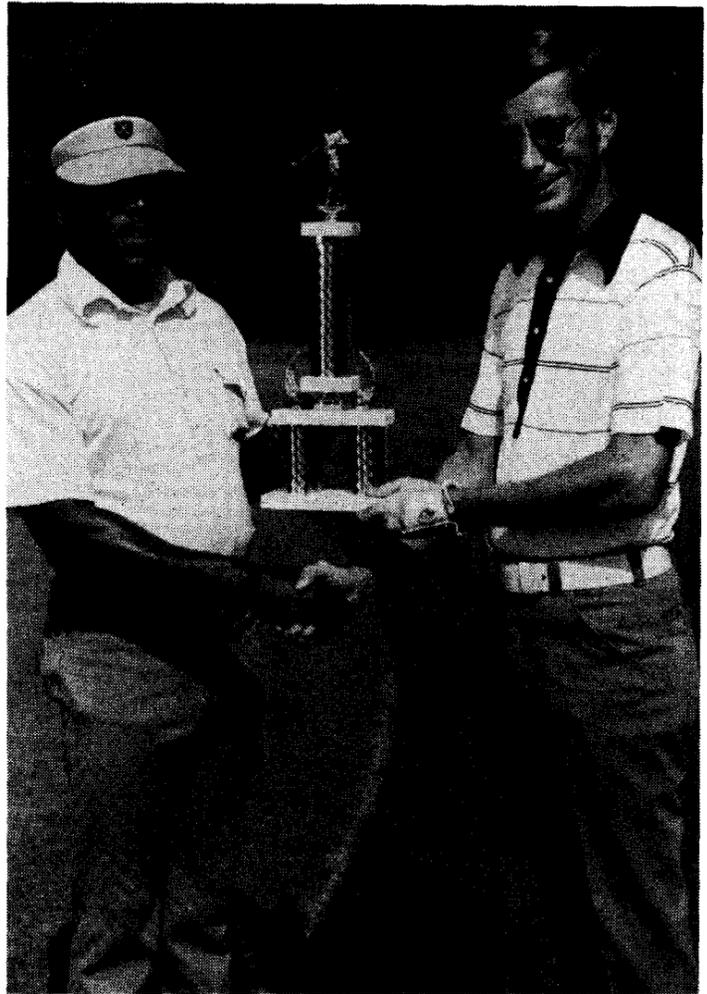
Eighty-four active duty and retired military golfers participated in the three-day event that, according to assistant pro Mel Davis, was the best played tourney at Redstone in several years.

Piette used his one-stroke advantage over Lee and Coffman to grab the championship flight while Salvitti outdistanced Rex Javins (244) and Ken Ingram (247) in the first flight.

Pete Dwyer used 246 strokes in touring the 54 holes to win over Stan Baker (250) and Dick Kisling (253) in the second flight.

The third flight was won by Howell Stevens followed by Van Quick and Chuck Addicott and Joe George captured the fourth flight ahead of Jim Ward and Clyde Riker.

Walt Churchill was the fifth flight winner with John Butt and Nick Stafford trailing and Chuck DeRosier took the sixth flight win followed by Alan Hendley and Elby Crochet.



**CLUB CHAMPION**—Assistant Pro Mel Davis handles the honors as Joe Salvitti claims the championship trophy following the Labor Day weekend tournament at the RSA course.

## Groaners Make Arsenal Debut

Take your basic Marv Hubbard, add a little of that Terry Metcalf, garden-variety speed, sprinkle a dash of the cutes, and a move or two from one of your everyday O.J.'s, and you're approaching a pretty good imitation of the genuine article—a wrestler.

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The single-elimination, eight-division event is open to all active military.

In preparation for the bouts, a scratch meeting will be conducted at the Recreation Center at 4 p.m. Sept. 24 to set up pairings. Registration is open at the workout facility, Bldg. 3474.

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# Levie-Martin Duo Cop P&P Title

Bill Levie and Gene Martin grabbed five of six points in a season-ending match with the Little-Clanton duo and wrapped up the 1975 title for the P&P golf league last Tuesday at the Piedmont Par 3 course.

The final night victory margin enabled the winners to turn back a late season comeback by Jim Galbreath and Gaylord Huffman who had to settle for second place, a notch ahead of the Clark-Dieter tandem.

Huffman made up in part for the setback in team play in capturing the individual title by edging Lee Keim marking the first time in the

Final Standings	
	Pts.
Levie-Martin	92
Galbreath-Huffman	88
Clark-Dieter	85
Barnes-Krivutza	83
Whalley-Foxworthy	74
Jackson-Snyder	74
Chapman-Spelar	71
Fisk-Andrews	70
Shingler-Grieb	69
Clarke-Dyer-Smith	68
Lyko-Pencola	64
Keim-McGarry	64
Harsh-Humphries	57
Donehoo-Proffitt	56
Perkins-Laird-Leahy	53
Varden-Duke	52
Meyers-McMillian	52
Renton-Price-McKamey	50
Thomas-Ray	49
Winter-George	43
Little-Clanton	37
Golden-Kilpatrick	34

league's nine years that the latter has not posted the low average. The two shot the best single

rounds during the 22-week season with Huffman firing a two-under 52

and Keim turning in a 53. Paul Spelar also shot a round of 53. Humphries turned in the best handicapped round, a 46 and Clanton had a 47.

Lloyd Jackson had the honor of shooting the most birdies for the season with 37 followed by Huffman and Ralph Barnes, each with 30. Martin led the division B golfers with 24 birdies and Levie was one under 18 times to lead all other C division shooters.

## Davis Carries Redstone Hopes

Eight medalists in the recent post match play tournament here will represent Redstone in the western division TRADOC Golf Tournament next week at Fort Benjamin Harrison, Ind.

Mel Davis, individual runnerup in last year's annual event, will head Redstone's entry in the open division along with Frank Miller, Tom Perry and Stephen Smith.

In the senior division, Wiley Sharer and Henry Lowder—members of this year's MMCS Golf League—will compete. Nancy Rice and Diane Roberson are entered in the women's division.

Among the 10 teams Redstone will face are White Sands Proving Ground and Forts Rucker, Bliss, Sill, Leonard Wood, Knox, Leavenworth and McClellan.

## Mason Opens In Mid-Season Form

Jimmy Mason and Bob Hinson grabbed high scoring honors as the civilian bowling season got off to a rather sluggish start at the Parkway Lanes last Wednesday.

Mason missed connections with an Honor Roll total by the slimmest of margins when he socked out a 599 count that stood head and shoulders above anything else in the S&M league.

A distant second in scoring was

Gus Schrocke at 544 while Mike Kalange put together the best single game, a 217. The only sweep of the evening was scored by the Huntsville Times quintet.

Hinson shot a 216 and totaled 555 to lead the pack in the AMC loop. Tom Howell turned in a 539, Dave Pentecost shot a 531 and Dick Gore stacked 529 maples.

The Fat Cats started the season with a four-for-four sweep.

## Hubbard Sets Pace At Skeet

Ben Hubbard, with a record of 577 out of 600 birds, led the Rod & Gun CLUB skeet league at the end of the 12th round. His team also led the league with 28 points.

Other high scratch shooters included Hoover with 569; Penrod with 550 and Wade with 543.

Team standings and points included Birney No. 4, second with 25, followed by Roseman No. 1, 21; Phillips No. 6 19; Wade No. 5, 17; Biel No. 8 13 and Cutts No. 7. 12.

Manning is the league high average shooter with 24.5 followed by Hubbard, 24.04; Hoover, 23.71; Brooks, 23.68, and Dunn, 23.44.

Bowhunters will hold a novelty shoot Sunday at the club grounds.

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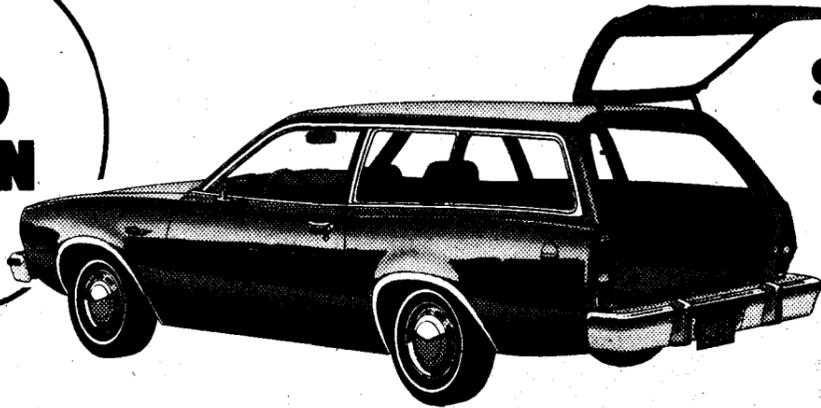
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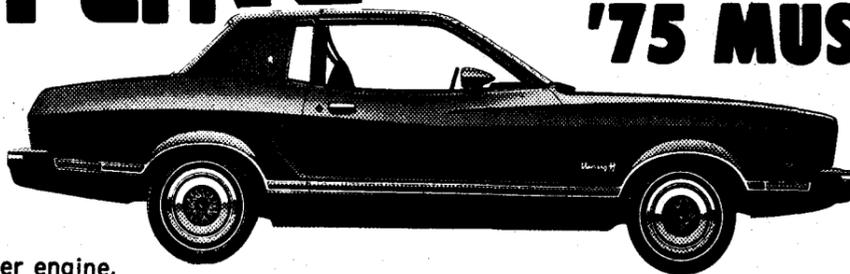
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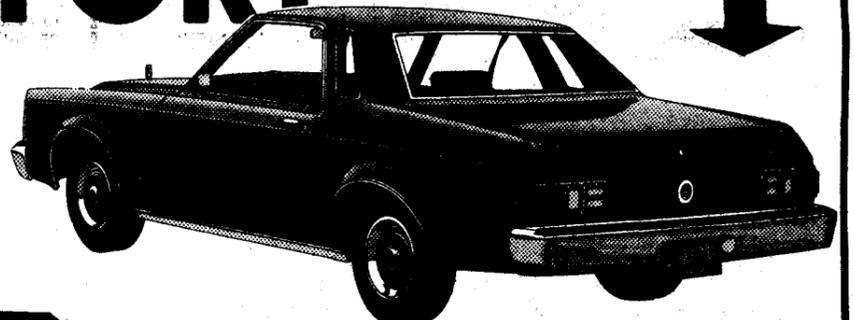
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# BMDSCOM Gets First WAC

Private E-2 Maureen Moore is the one and only WAC assigned to the Ballistic Missile Defense Systems Command . . . and she's happy about the whole thing.

"When I heard I was being assigned to BMDSCOM, see I've already learned the abbreviated title, I had never even heard of the Command. In fact I had to inquire around among my friends to find anything I could about the organization. I liked what I heard, but I had no idea that I would be the only WAC in the outfit. That was a surprise," she said.

As a Personnel Records Specialist, Private Moore moved into her new job with the usual apprehensions that go with moving into a new position. Working with

Actually her assignment as the four military and three civilian employees, Private Moore found that all the problems she had worried about were nonexistent.

According to Sergeant First Class Harvey Owne, "She fitted right into the scheme of things. She was just out of personnel school and has a lot of knowledge we needed. She is catching on to things quickly and is a willing worker. I foresee no problems, she's one of the gang now."

"I felt that being the only WAC might create some problems, but everyone accepts me as a part of the office and they respect me for knowing my job and doing it. Believe me that is a good feeling that is hard to describe," she continued.

only WAC in the Command is just another of the challenges that Private Moore has faced since joining the Army in October 1974.

As an assistant bookkeeper with a savings and loan association in Kearny, N.J., Maureen Moore was looking for something that was more of a challenge in her. She read about the education and travel benefits in the Army and felt like this might be her biggest challenge.

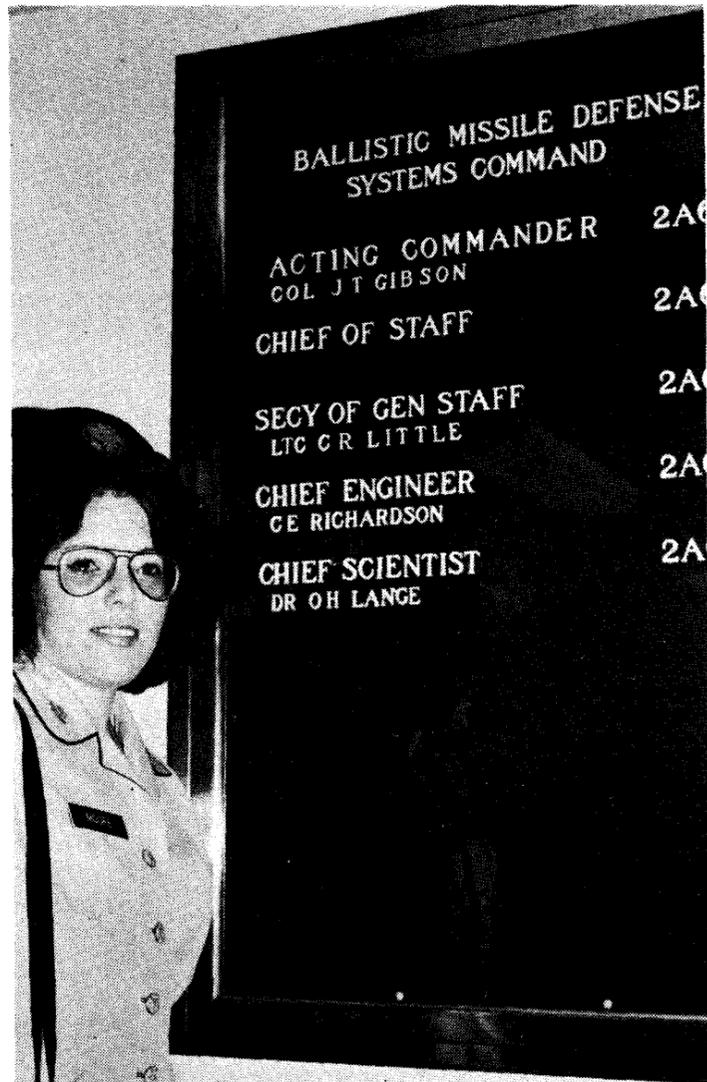
Private Moore admitted that basic training was rough, but she liked the field exercises because she enjoyed outdoor activities and camping out.

Although she has been in the Army nearly a year, she has already done some traveling. She took basic training in Fort Jackson, South Carolina and now she is assigned to Alabama . . . this is her first time to visit both places.

"My folks were in favor of my coming into the Army. I have three younger sisters and a brother. One of my sisters will be graduating from high school soon and already she is thinking of joining the Army too.

"Everyone has been terrific to me. I guess the best thing I can say is I like the people I have met and work with and I like what I'm doing and that is important to me," she concluded.

Captain Wayne Morris, BMDSCOM Adjutant, put it this way, "Private Moore fits right into our operation. She is eager to learn more and we want to help her all we can. Actually she in-processed and required less attention than the usual personnel type. We are happy to have her in the office."



"Everyone has been terrific," says Moore

## BMDSCGM Wives Meet

The BMDSCOM Officer's Wives Club will meet for coffee at ten on Monday morning, September 22 in the Pershing Room, RSAOOM. The Office of the Commander Wives

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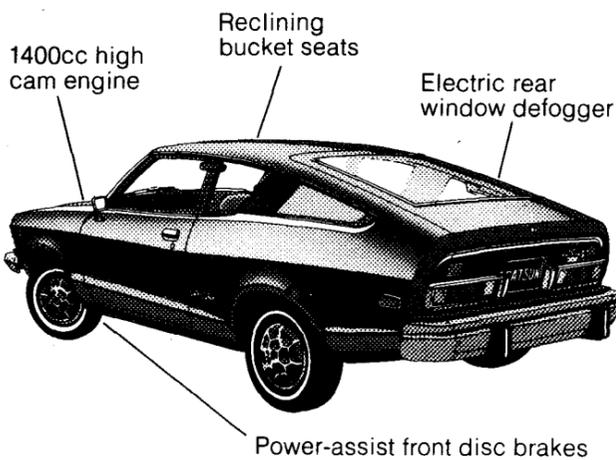
The Protestant Women of the Chapel will hold their first meeting of the season Tuesday morning at 9:30 in the Social Room of the Post Chapel.

will be Karol Landrum, wife of Major David Landrum.

All interested women are invited to attend. For further information, call Mrs. John McDaniel 837-4302; Mrs. Jerry Rodgers, 837-0973; or Mrs. Bruce Willis, 837-8072.

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# Army Denies Positions Identified For Elimination

In Washington last week Army personnel officials denied that specific officer, enlisted and civilian positions had been identified for elimination under the review of personnel authorizations and requirements that is presently underway.

In reply to news accounts that have stated specific positions had been identified, the officials said that part one of the study—a review of officer requirements—has been conducted “to assist in identifying officer positions for elimination or downgrading to meet strength ceilings, and to reduce the percentage of

senior officers.” The review of officers should be completed in early September.

SASTAR, the second part of the Army personnel review, is “a natural follow-on and complement to the officer review,” the personnel officials said. SASTAR (Support Activities Staffing Review) is a review of enlisted and civilian positions which began last December.

SASTAR is being conducted by the major commands with guidelines from DA, the officials said, but DA did not direct that specific positions be eliminated,

as some news accounts have stated.

Explaining SASTAR, the officials said that “The commands will be looking for ways to trim enlisted spaces in support units which can be allocated to combat forces. (DA analysis teams in June completed a review of about 47,000 senior NCO jobs.)

“Civilian jobs will be scrutinized to cut possible ‘overgrading’ of positions. Initial recommendations are due at Headquarters, DA by September 30.”

Army personnel officials say that on both the officer and en-

listed/civilian reviews, the guidelines have been to arrive at the minimum staff and grade structure required to accomplish the mission. No quotas have been set. “The object of the review is to insure that every position retained in the Army is a meaningful job with the grade authorized for the position equal to the responsibilities of the job”, the officials said.

Review of officer strength, which began last November, has been done in two phases by major commands and staff agencies, the first phase—completed in Mid-January—result-

ed in elimination of almost 2,800 officer jobs and downgrading of more than 900 others.

In the second phase four DA teams, each headed by a brigadier general, conducted on-site analyses of major command TDA's to assist in identifying more reductions.

Recommendations of the major commands and TDA analysis teams are being analyzed and reconciled at DA Headquarters to preclude an adverse impact on OPMS, promotion, career progression and other personnel programs, according to the personnel officials.

## Ambrose Reflects On 40 Years With Government

For Ike H. Ambrose, 40 years of Federal service has meant soldiering, guarding a federal prison, and working as a Department of the Army civilian.

Before Ambrose enlisted in the Army in 1934, his only military experience was about 30 days of training in a Citizens' Military Training Camp, part of a now-defunct reserve program.

His first assignment was with the 8th U.S. Infantry at Ft. Moultrie, S.C., near his hometown of Greenville.

“A private in those days earned \$21 a month, but a 15 per cent pay cut for soldiers left me with \$17.95 gross pay,” he says.

That pay cut was designed to help finance the massive economic recovery programs of the Depression.

Young Ike Ambrose was fascinated by the military experience. “It offered adventure,” he said.

One of his first adventures was a five-year tour at Ft. Santiago, in the Philippines.

As an enlisted man, Ambrose was personal secretary to five successive commanding generals at the post.

“During part of that time, General Douglas MacArthur was advisor to the Philippine government. One of his staff officers was

a Lieutenant Colonel Dwight Eisenhower,” Ambrose said.

Ambrose was reassigned to the states and received a commission in the Quartermaster Corps. Following the Japanese raid on Pearl Harbor, he became part of the staff readying Ft. Gordon, Ga., for training operations.

He was assigned overseas, “for the battles of Melbourne and New Guinea,” Ambrose quips.

After two and a half years in the Pacific theater, Ambrose was assigned as an instructor at the Quartermaster School at Ft. Lee, Va.

With the coming of V-J day, he attended the Army Counterintelligence School at Ft. Holabird, Md. He stayed there for three years, then spent the next 11 years in counterintelligence: two years in Germany, and four years in Japan, including three assignments in Korea.

When he reached age 45, he left the service as a major.

“I had 25 years of service, but I was too young to retire,” he says. After a brief break, he went to work for the Post Office.

“That was the hardest work I ever did,” he says with feeling.

Ambrose says his postal worker days began early and ended late. In addition to constant demands for speed in mail processing,



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supervisors were forever hunting for errors that could misdirect mail.

Ambrose moved on to different work in May of 1960, becoming a correctional officer in the Atlanta Federal Penitentiary.

“Correctional officer—that’s a polite name for a guard,” he explains.

Among the prisoners Ambrose had in his charge for varying lengths of time were Mickey Cohen, Vito Genovese, Frank Castello, Joseph Valachi and Johnny Dio, all with underworld connections.

“The most memorable prisoner was the Soviet agent Rudolf Abel,” said Ambrose. Abel was the prisoner exchanged for Francis

Gary Powers, who was captured by the Soviets in 1960 when his U2 aircraft was shot down.

For two years, Ambrose said, Abel “was one of the best prisoners we had.” Ambrose says he’s still impressed by the Soviet’s resourcefulness and intellect.

Rudolf Abel was exchanged for Powers in 1962.

The difficult role of the prison guard and disappointment in the prison system’s powers of reform led Ambrose to seek other employment during his annual vacation in the fall of 1966.

He got the job as security officer at the Missile and Munitions Center and School, the job he’s held ever since. Ike Ambrose seems to find the job satisfaction here that he’s been missing in Atlanta.

One of the more rewarding parts of his job, Ambrose says, is instilling an appreciation of the need for security in young soldiers at MMCS, particularly students.

Students of some technical courses must frequently work with classified information and documents, and are responsible for safeguarding classified publications entrusted to them.

“And I like people—like to be around them” he adds.

Ambrose says he feels the military and civil service are both made up of people representing a cross-section of the American society.

“We have some fine young people in the program. They’ll be adequate replacements for the people who are leaving,” he says.

Ambrose says he feels motivation is the key to success, and defines motivation as “... any incentive to better one’s self.”

He recalls his military career fondly, and contends that military people—and other frequently dealing with younger subordinates—develop a younger frame of mind by being exposed to young peoples’ ideas.

Ambrose, senior employee at MMCS since the retirement of James W. Hudgins, says he’s not decided on a date for retirement.

“But I don’t believe in ‘stacking arms’ once the decision is made to retire,” he says resolutely.

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