

## **Soldiers Win in Photo Contest**

Redstone's amateur photographers took three first places in the 76th annual Interservice Photo Contest.

SSG Gregory Prior, Co. B, MMCS, captured two firsts—one for Waterfall III in the scenic monochrome print category and for "Girl in Jeans Eating a Carrot" in the experimental monochrome print category.

"Erector Set" was MEDDAC photographer SFC William Howard's first place winner in the slide picture study category.

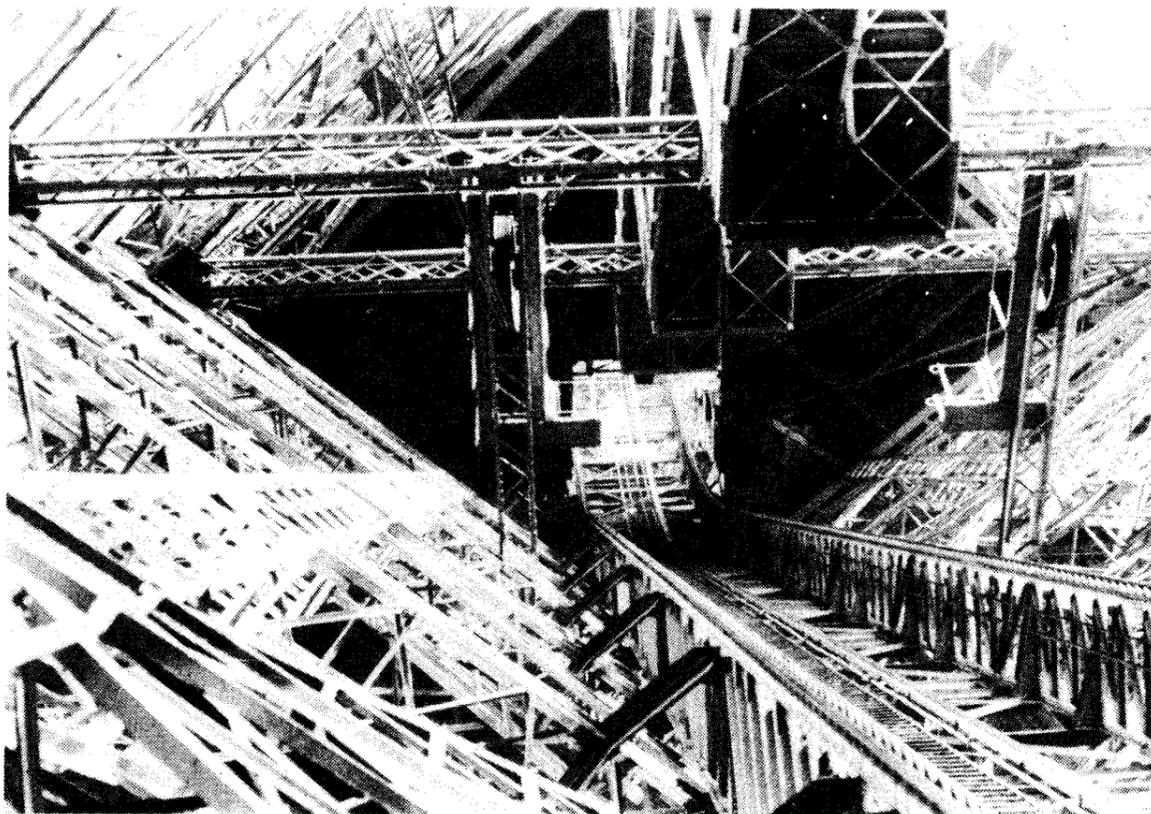
Second place awards were presented to Captain Arthur S. Kendall HHD, MICOM, for "Fall Persimmons" in the close-up slide competition and to Sp 5 Eric K. Rugg of Co. A, MMCS, for "Framed Reflections" in the scenic slide competition and "Impressions" in the experimental slide category.

Prior and Rugg also received third place prizes; Prior for "Water and Log" color print and Rugg for "Long Summer" scenic slide.

Captain John Addy of BMDSCOM received two honorable mentions — monochrome print "National Cathedral" and color slide "Windmill."

The Interservice Photography contest is conducted jointly by the Departments of Army, Navy, Air Force, Transportation and Marine Corps. It is designed to give both amateur and experienced photographers in the Armed Forces an opportunity to compete worldwide and to have their work judged by leading authorities in the photographic field.

Redstone had a total of 69 entries, with 13 receiving prizes.



*"Erector Set" by Bill Howard*

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# **Fish Spawn in Spring Branch**

Local Huntsville Spring Branch watchers have been pondering what to make of the presence of great numbers of spawning carp.

While it is true that the pollution-tolerant carp to a degree indicate the foul condition of the water, they are cause for encouragement to those whose memories go back a few years when a large part of the branch was so poisoned that nothing, not even vegetation, could live in it.

For some time carp have lived (and not infrequently have died) in large numbers in the branch, but until the spawning activity last week it has not been evident how numerous they actually are.

During the initial spawning frenzy, as far upstream as the Martin Road bridge they were "so thick you could have walked

across the water on them", in the words of one observer. In "big squirming knots" they muddied the water so that "it looked like the bottom was being plowed", he said.

The fish were big. Fishing from the bridge a Huntsville teenager caught one weighing 11 pounds. Seeing this, another angler happening by whipped out a fishing rod and brought in a 15 pounder. Within a short time rifles began cracking upstream as shooters moved in for the kill.

By the end of last week the spawning activity had diminished, but some spawning was still evident from the roiled condition of the stream, and carp could still be seen in the mud slurries.

The carps' smaller goldfish

cousins were spawning also, depositing eggs in the thick aquatic vegetation in the backwaters of the branch along Patton Road.

Charles Hooper, a state fish biologist contacted in Decatur said that the large carp presence seems to indicate that the stream has regained a degree of health. He said that if carp are present there is a good possibility that more desirable species are too, since even they require a certain level of water quality to feed and spawn in, and that level should be high enough to support other fish.

Thomas Z. Atkeson, manager of Wheeler National Wildlife Refuge, said the large carp presence does not necessarily mean they are proliferating in the branch, pointing out that carp are

much more visible when spawning because of the shallows they seek for depositing their eggs. If they are proliferating, Atkeson said, one possible reason may be that that branch is recovering from the poisoning it received from tremendous amounts of residues from a DDT manufacturing plant which operated here during the '50s and '60s.

From the standpoint of dissolved oxygen, or DO, content, which is a prime indicator of a stream's ability to support life, the branch is healthier than it has been in years, although this is little evident from the feculate appearance and smell.

Jimmie Reid, water quality chemist at Facilities Engineer,

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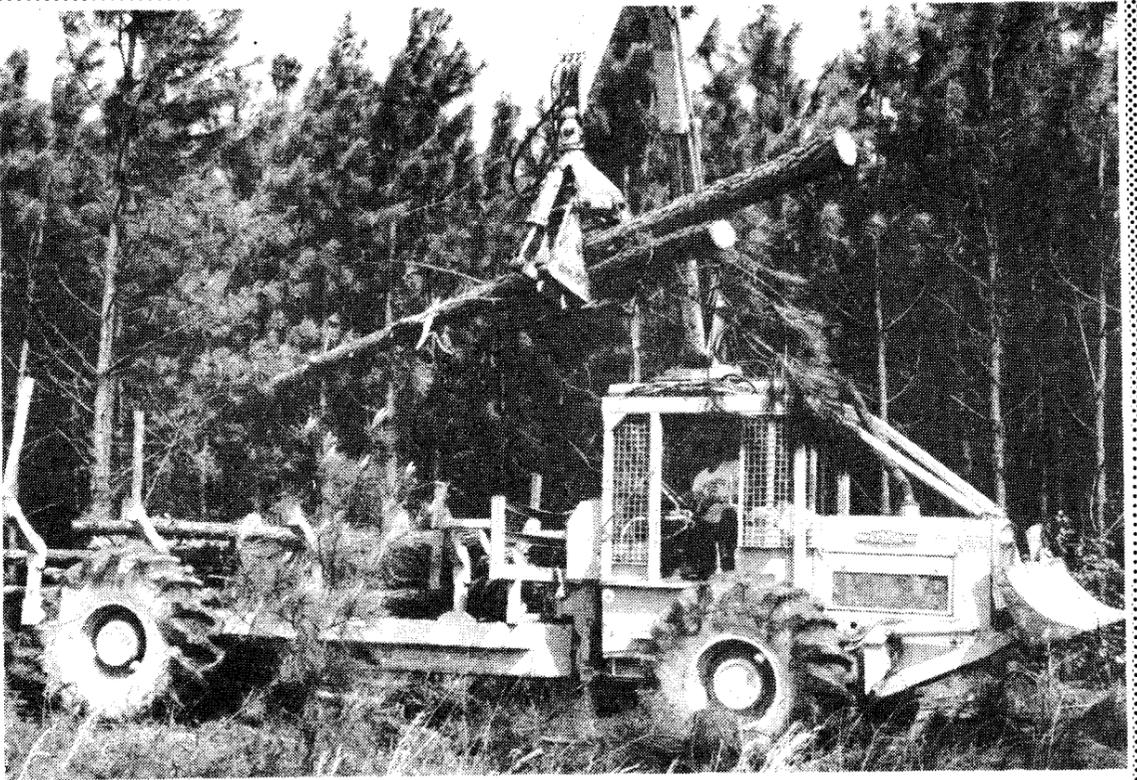
## Tree Thinning Underway

Woodcutters moved into the pine groves along Goss Road last week and began thinning out the trees which were the roosting site this winter for millions of blackbirds.

The approximately 20 acre grove north of Goss is being thinned first. After about 75 percent of the trees have been removed, the woodcutters will thin the groves south of Goss on either side of Vincent drive which together contain about 40 acres.

The thinning is being done by a Guntersville-based commercial cutter, who contracted to do the work for the value of the timber and an additional small payment to the government.

The contractor is hauling away and selling for pulpwood that portion of the timber that has commercial value. The work will continue for several weeks.



Logging machine operates in pine grove north of Goss Road behind post nursery.

Photo-Bill Kellar

## Army Chief Says Prepare For War To Prevent It

The Army Chief of Staff told more than 500 Huntsvillians Friday night that those who say the United States cannot afford an adequate defense are laying the basis for war.

General Fred C. Weyand said in remarks at the Redstone Arsenal Officers Open Mess that America's 200 year history makes it evident that "our weakness, not our strength, has tempted those

who opposed us. The best assurance of preventing war, is to prepare for it."

Weyand addressed a joint meeting of the Huntsville Chapter of the Reserve Officers Assn. and

the Tennessee Valley Chapter of the Assn. of the U.S. Army.

He told a reporter during a brief interview prior to the speech that Redstone's missile technology and the increased capability it represents is the key to the American army's ability to fight and win in future wars. He said it was clear to him that the U.S. Army would have to fight outnumbered.

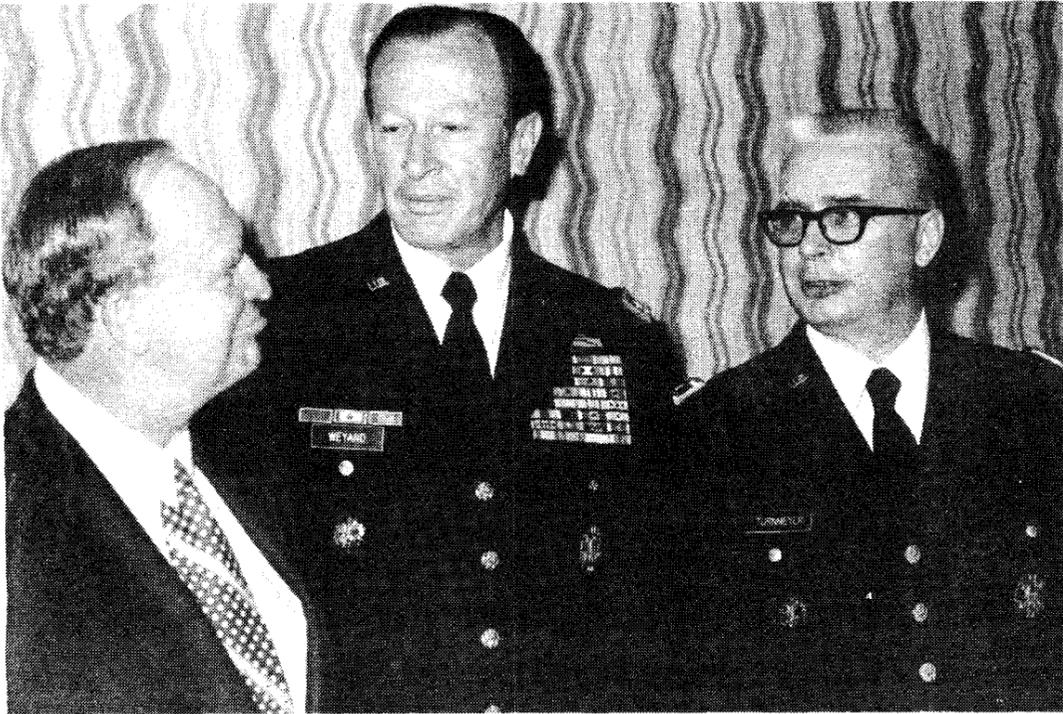
In his prepared remarks, Weyand discussed American history and the nation's place in the world today. He said his experience convinces him that America's power and influence in the world has not faded and has been made stronger by the

traumatic experiences of Watergate.

"It may be, he said, "that our friends have greater faith in us than we do in ourselves."

The facts of the rapid expansion of Soviet armed might, are clear and ominous, he said, and are "a very serious problem. One that is not going to go away and one that we ignore at our great peril."

The United States, Weyand said, is one of the few nations left in the world that can still be master of its own fate. "We have the ability to take care of ourselves," he said, "all it takes is the will and determination to face up to facts and our responsibilities."



### With The Chief

General Fred C. Weyand, Army Chief of Staff (center), MG George E. Turnmeyer, MICOM Commander, and Pete Redding of the Reserve Officers Assn. chat before Weyand's speech at the Officers Open Mess Friday evening. Redding was instrumental in arranging the Chief of Staff's visit to Huntsville.

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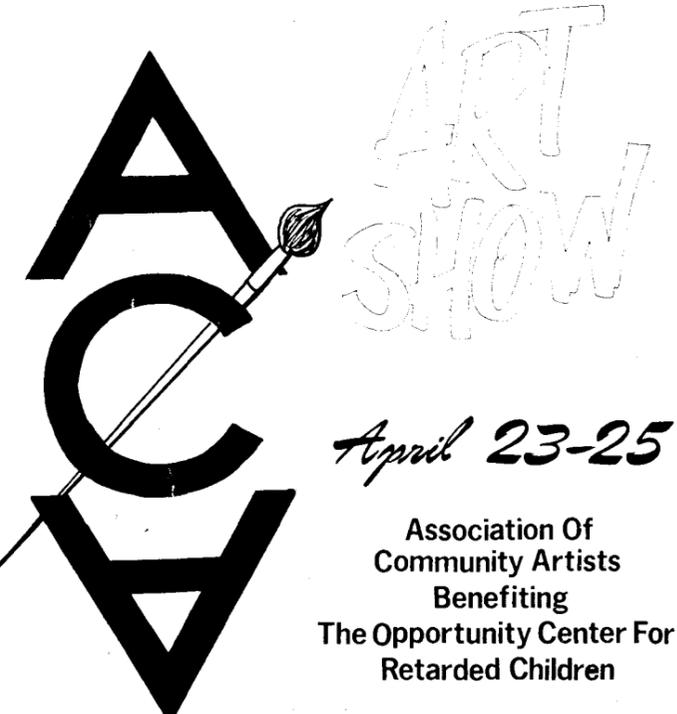
### Local 1858 In New Offices

AFGE Local 1858 has moved to new offices in building 7132 across from the fire station on Redstone Road.

Visitors to the union office should use the north parking lot in the rear of the building.

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Wade Sturdivant oversees Tennessee River recreation area.



Seabees put "lid" on dance slab.

# Civilian Rec Area Gets Improvements

A safety harbor and covered dance slab are just a few of the improvements at the Civilian Recreation Area with the enclosing of the Rustic Lodge expected by the end of the year.

The Seabees were responsible for building the 25 boat safety harbor, roofing the dance slab, and grading the Rustic Lodge's new parking lot. A boat ramp for the safety harbor is being graded by the two week Navy reservists.

Enclosure of the Rustic Lodge will eventually be a reality with the Civilian Welfare Fund in the process of awarding a contract for that purpose.

Over 28,000 people registered at the Civilian Recreation Area last year. Wade Sturdivant, custodian of the area, hopes that just as many eligible patrons enjoy the facility this season.

The 15 acre Tennessee River site is intended for the use of Redstone's Department of Army civilians and their guests.

The Civilian Rec Area's barbecue pits and picnic tables abound

for the outdoor cooking enthusiast.

Baseball diamonds provide a home for 10 Civilian Welfare Softball teams as well as sand lot players.

Other sports nuts can choose from horseshoes, basketball, volleyball or badminton. Depletion of sports equipment due to vandalism has become a problem in recent years so potential visitors are urged to bring their own mitts and balls.

Boating and fishing sportsmen should remember to obey Alabama boating regulations—particularly the importance of up to date state decals and the possession of one lifesaving vest per boat occupant.

Sturdivant is encouraging civilian employees to take advantage of the facilities at the river site. Seven parties at the Rustic Lodge have already been booked for the season and more are expected.

The rec area is open from 10-8. Guests must be accompanied by Department of Army civilians employed at Redstone.



Fishermen unload boat for a day at the river.



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# A Long Three Months

They left for ninety days but stayed 18 months—that's the story with the 95th Service Company's recent calibration experience in Europe.

A calibration team from the 95th was sent to Germany in October 1974 for 90 days to aid support units in calibration procedures.

The initial team was sent to Europe because support units in the field didn't have the expertise equipment to calibrate and repair C level equipment. The Army has two levels of calibration—A and C. A is performed by area calibration support facilities and transfer teams; C by support units in the field.

Eventually three 95th teams rotated in Europe through March of this year, calibrating and repairing over 10,000 pieces of equipment.

The entire USAREUR support area was covered by calibration teams rotating to five areas—Mannheim, Kaiserslauten, Boeblingen, Hanau and Baumholder.

The 95th received many certificates of appreciation and achievement. The First Support Brigade in USAREUR even footed the bill to extend the stay of one of the calibration teams.

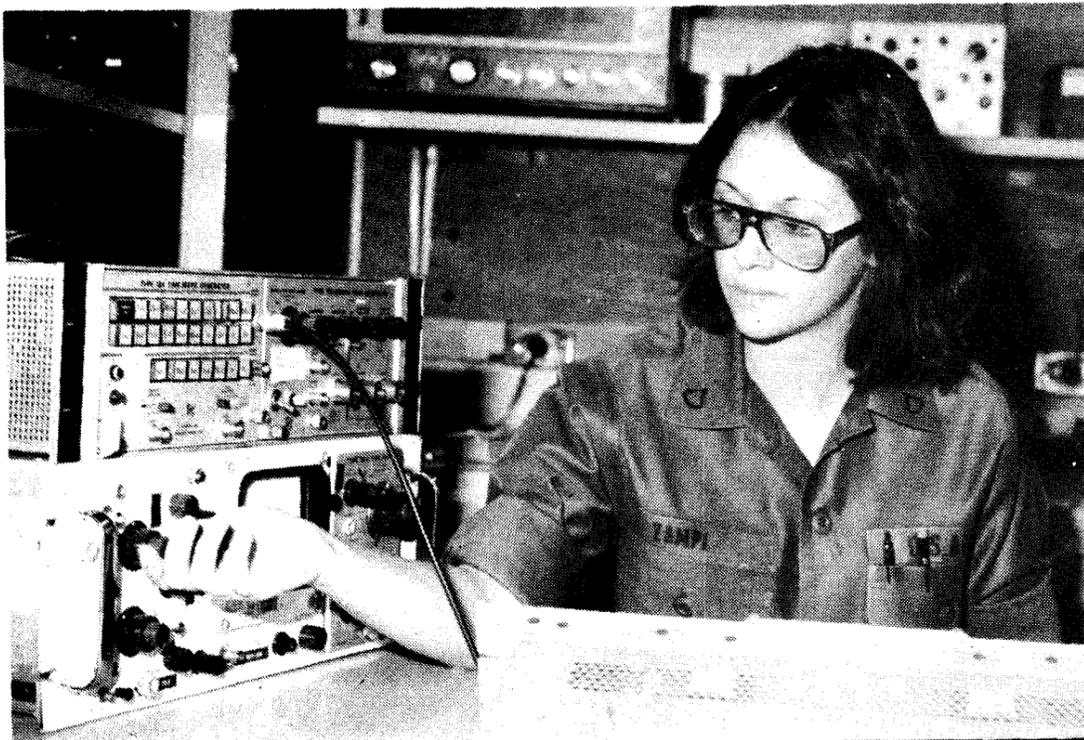
The 95th's calibration support in Germany provided a stop-gap measure until a new calibration mobile unit could be fielded.

Now the AN-GSM-256, formerly called TMEC (Test Measuring Equipment Maintenance and Calibration) will be sent to support units to provide calibration equipment, expertise and repair parts.

In simple terms AN-GSM-256 is a van loaded with the latest in calibration equipment—signal generators, voltmeters, oscilloscopes, tachometers, etc.

Sixteen units are scheduled to be fielded in Europe this summer.

Thanks to the 95th's input to the Army Metrology and Calibration Center plus pre-deployment proofing and testing at Lexington Blue Grass Army Depot, the AN-GSM-256 will give support units adequate calibration capability.



Calibration Specialists like Donna Zampi from the 95th Service Company repair and calibrate equipment all over the world.

## Regular Reenlistment Bonus Out; Some Selected Skills Qualify

WASHINGTON (ANF)—Soldiers who enlisted after June 1, 1974, are not eligible for the regular reenlistment bonus (RRB). That word from DA personnel officials is part of the continuing effort to stop the false rumors about RRBs. Soldiers planning to reenlist should check with their career counselors to find if they are eligible.

Before the All Volunteer Army, some sort of bonus was necessary as additional inducement for soldiers to remain in the Army and to help maintain a qualified career force. One way was to provide a reenlistment bonus.

Now, because of pay increases, the economy in general and other reasons, retention has improved and reenlistment bonuses are required for only a selective number of skills. Selective reenlistment bonuses (SRB) were

begun and are presently authorized for 111 MOSs and DA advises that number is expected to decrease.

In 1974, Congress passed the Armed Forces Enlisted Personnel Bonus Revision Act. It replaced the old variable reenlistment bonus (VRB) with the selective reenlistment bonus (SRB). That legislation also did away with the RRB except for persons on active duty 1 June 1974. Thus, soldiers enlisting on June 2 or later are not entitled to RRB.

The RRB for soldiers on active duty before June 1 was continued because the Army believed it had a moral obligation to those who had earned an RRB through a prior reenlistment or because of enlistment promises.

The Army still has a problem attracting qualified soldiers into

certain skill areas. The reasons may be unpleasant job conditions in some skills, or perhaps the skill is not marketable in the civilian community. Soldiers were reluctant to volunteer for those fields so the Army has provided a SRB as an added incentive to keep those MOSs up to strength.

DA officials are concerned over the soldier's labeling the RRB as a benefit. They emphasize that the bonuses should not be viewed as "benefits" to the soldier but strictly as management tools to help the Army keep qualified people in certain career fields.

RRBs, because of the relative low pay at the time, were necessary to encourage reenlistment of qualified soldiers to keep the Army strong. As their need decreases, the bonuses will decrease.

## Court Upholds Hair Standards

WASHINGTON (ANF)—Soldiers hoping for a Supreme Court decision in favor of longer hair styles suffered a setback recently along with policemen of Suffolk County, Long Island.

The Supreme Court upheld the right of police departments to prohibit beards and regulate the length of police officers' hair. The wording of the decision left little doubt that it would be cited as precedent by the military services in cases involving the permissible length of servicemen's hair.

At the time of the decision, the Court of Military Appeals had yet to decide a case questioning the Army's right to regulate hair lengths.

The Supreme Court ruled that the hair regulations are one of the many demands that state and local governments may make on policemen in the interests of "discipline, esprit de corps and uniformity."

Justice William H. Rehnquist, who wrote the majority opinion, noted that the 'Justices' recognized that "...the county has chosen a mode of organization which it undoubtedly deems (to be) the most efficient in enabling its police to carry out the duties assigned to them."

The 6 to 2 decision also upheld the police regulation which banned wigs to conceal long hair while on duty.



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# Experts Meet Here to Identify Rare Wildlife

A firing lane for a missile will require clearing a corridor through a stand of pines on one of the test ranges here.

The pines are old, diseased, and virtually worthless as a timber resource. But they are potential nesting sites for an endangered bird, endangered because its habitat is disappearing.

The bird is a red-cockaded woodpecker which refuses to nest and breed anywhere but in pines with red heart disease which causes the hearts to decay.

If, as in this hypothetical case, the army had to convert wildlife range into test range, the action would have to conform to requirements of the Endangered Species Act and a raft of Defense and Army documents which the Act has spawned. Because of this a group of wildlife specialists met here recently to identify threatened species that the arsenal is likely habitat for, and to discuss ways to avoid disturbing them or their known or potential habitat.

The red-cockaded woodpecker is one of a number of rare or endangered species they identified as possibly present here.

Said Redstone Forrester Dave Bryant, who assembled the group, "There's a lot goes on here in the way of testing, training and construction that can disturb wildlife, and with respect to our rare and endangered species we want to determine what types of activity they don't tolerate and how we possibly can avoid it."

Bryant said also that an inventory by experts of Redstone wildlife, including plants, is being planned.

Those taking part in the discussion were Thomas Z. Atkeson, Emmet Waldrep and Bobby R. Tramel of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Robert E. Waters, U.S. Soil Conservation Service, Sammy K. Harris, Madison County District Conservationist; James E. Keeler, Alabama Department of Conservation and, representing Redstone, John T. Cline, Game Warden, and Dave Bryant, Forester.

Working from state lists the wildlife specialists identified rare or endangered species ranging from birds to fish to bats and big cats that the arsenal is likely habitat for.

Three species of bats and two of cats were among threatened mammals identified as possibly present here.

## MAMMALS

The cats, the Eastern Cougar and Florida Panther, may be the last large predatory mammals left in this part of the state. The only other large predators in North Alabama the Red Wolf and Common Black Bear, may be extinct, for the same reason the cats are disappearing. The state's large predators "have been persecuted by man to the degree that they have been extirpated from most of their original range and now occupy very small present day ranges, if they are present", according to "Rare and Endangered Vertebrates of Alabama", the official state list which Alabama Department of Conservation's Keeler helped compile.

The Eastern Cougar and Florida Panther are thought to be the subject of big cat sightings on the arsenal occasionally, variously reported as cougar, panther, puma, catamount and mountain lion sightings. A late-night big cat sighting has been reported by a military policeman, and Fish and Wildlife's Atkeson reports getting faithful descriptions from hunters although no concrete evidence of their presence, such as tracks, hair or droppings, has been collected. Atkeson, Manger of Wheeler National Wildlife Refuge which shares more than 10 per cent—about 4,100 acres—of its acreage with Redstone Arsenal, said he doubts the cats sighted here are residents, but rather are wanderers attracted by the arsenal's deer.

The rare Southeastern Shrew may be on the arsenal, the wildlife specialists said. It ranges throughout the state but only in very small numbers and man's activities aren't thought to have any particular affect on its existence.

## CAVE LIFE

They identified one endangered and two rare bats as possibly here, since arsenal caves are free of human interference for the most part and disturbance of their cave habitats is one of the main reasons the bats are in trouble.

A cave amphibian, the endangered Tennessee Cave Salamander, was given "good possibilities" of being here. It like all cave life exists in only the very small numbers that their en-

vironment is able to support and is prized by collectors for the unique features it has evolved in generations without light. It is also threatened by actions of man which pollute or lower the water table of its aquatic environment, as is the pale, eyeless Southern Cavefish, which is thought to live in caves. It is listed as rare by the state.

Arsenal streams were thought by the wildlife specialists to be likely habitat for the rare Tuscumbia Darter and the Flame Chub, which is status-undetermined on the state list.

The entire world's population of the minnow-like Tuscumbia Darter is confined to this general area of the state. It requires undisturbed springs that are clear, clean and have abundant vegetation. Suitable streams are rare nowadays. It is felt that it could be driven to extinction by pollution or stream channeling and impounding. While its presence here has not been substantiated, it has been found close by. The arsenal's Wynn Spring and one or two others here are considered good potential habitat.

The Flame Chub, described as one of the state's most beautiful native fishes, also requires undisturbed springs. It has been suggested that the fish is rare or endangered, but too little is known about it to make a firm determination. Its presence here is unconfirmed, but is considered likely as the fish is known in Alabama from good springs in the Tennessee River System.

While no rare or endangered birds are known to be on the arsenal, several are on Wheeler Refuge and the wildlife specialists agreed that protection programs should assume that they are, either as residents or transients.

## BIRDS

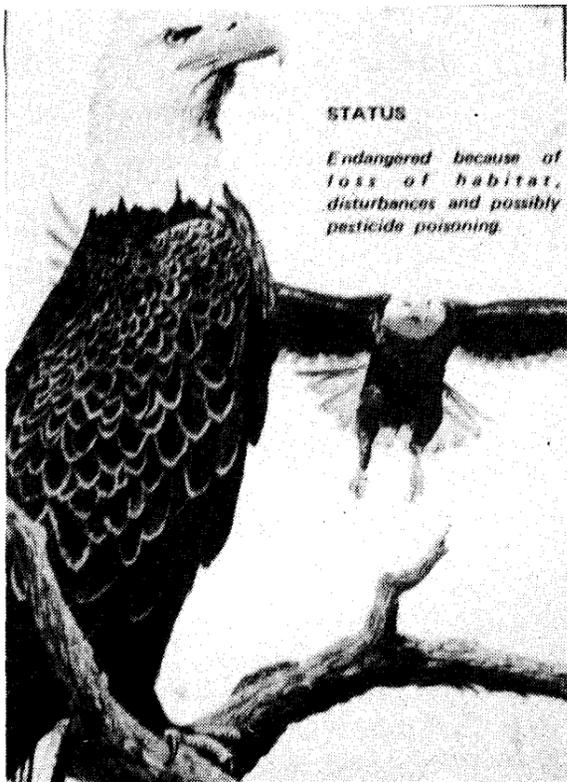
At least two bald and one golden eagles, the former an endangered species, the latter rare, are known to be wintering on the Refuge.

The specialists said dead-tree areas along the arsenal boundary at the river should be preserved as they are potential habitat for eagles and other threatened predatory birds, and that the habitat possibly could be made attractive by killing occasional large trees.

It was also suggested that marshes and creek heads be well protected in hopes of attracting other threatened birds.

Other threatened birds identified as possibly being here were the American and Arctic Peregrine Falcons, the Sharp-shinned and Cooper's Hawks, Bewick's Wren and Bachman's Warbler, and the Osprey.

While special requirements were noted for a few of the birds, as well as for a few of the other rare or endangered animals, the consensus on how best to serve their interest was voiced in just three words by one of the wildlife specialists: "Leave them alone." The animals would not be threatened were it not for human activity, and the number of places where they get refuge from that is dwindling.



### STATUS

Endangered because of loss of habitat, disturbances and possibly pesticide poisoning.

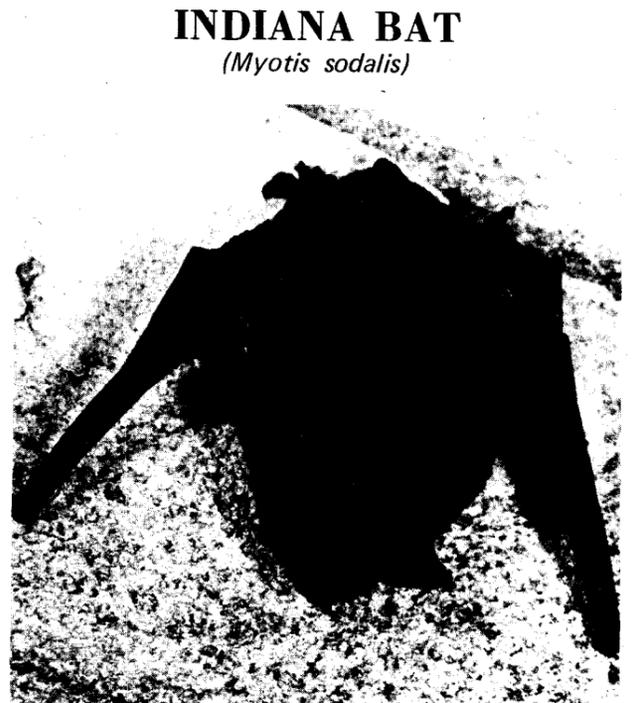
## SOUTHERN BALD EAGLE

(*Haliaeetus l. leucocephalus*)



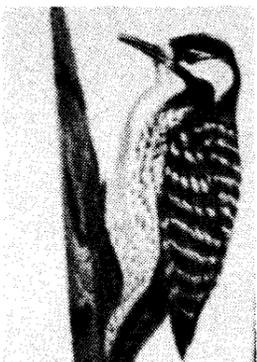
## PEREGRINE FALCON

(*Falco peregrinus anatum*)



## INDIANA BAT

(*Myotis sodalis*)



## RED-COCKADED WOODPECKER

(*Dendrocopos borealis*)



## FLORIDA PANTHER

(*Felis concolor coryi*)



## BACHMAN'S WARBLER

(*Vermivora bachmanii*)

## Army Bicentennial Series

# At Luzon, Some Fight To Live, Others To Die

Man's greatest war came to a violent climax in a last battle between men who fought to live and others who fought to die.

On Easter morning, 1945, the largest armada ever assembled—some 1,500 warships and cargo vessels—sent square nosed landing boats and beetle-like amphibious craft carrying the vanguard of some 180,000 marines and soldiers toward a last hostile shore.

The 83 days of agony and bravery that followed, recorded as the battle for Okinawa, involved a gigantic fight in, around and over a 640 square mile Pacific island on the doorstep of the Japanese home islands.

Troops pushed cautiously inland expecting violent resistance momentarily and met instead only sporadic long range fire. In a few hours, the Americans had both airfields that had been the planned objectives of the first week's fighting.

A rifleman of the 7th Division, pausing to wipe sweat from his eyes while hiking inland from the west coast invasion beaches, spoke the thoughts of many of his buddies when he said: "I've already lived longer than I thought I would."

Everyone knew it was too good to last. Radio Tokyo had predicted the landing for days. A perfect staging base for the invasion of Japan, Okinawa dominated the sea routes to the home islands and the coast of China. Planes based on the big island could be over Japanese cities in little more than an hour.

The Japanese had to fight for Okinawa and did, with fanatical bravery. This was the showdown, a summation of 40 months of bloody combat in a last perfection of the tools and tactics that one man uses to kill another.

In the desperate months after Pearl Harbor, the small but hardy Japanese soldier had seemed invincible. Even the great American naval victory at Midway in June 1942 did not diminish the unbroken string of victories won on land by the Japanese army. The myth of invincibility died in late 1942 and early 1943 in the jungles of Guadalcanal, and a hundred other exotic places known only to the National Geographic Society before American marines and soldiers died there and gave the names the same instant fame Shiloh, Gettysburg, and Antietam got for the same reason in another war.

The tide turned, ever so slowly at first, then in full flood.

The Americans regained military supremacy fighting and winning a series of campaigns of easy miles and terrible yards in a picture post card paradise. With mounting strength their carrier



**U.S. Infantry stop a Japanese Banzai charge, Luzon, Philippine Islands, April 1945.**

forces, planes, and submarines swept the seas, bypassing some Japanese island strongholds, leaving their garrisons—in the phrase of the time—to "wither on the vine." It was a war for bases, each taken at last by marines and soldiers with flame throwers, grenades, bullets, and bayonets, yard by yard in frontal assaults.

They faced a tenacious, dug in enemy who fought to the last breath with no hope of victory or relief, preferring death to the disgrace of surrender.

A portent of what might lay ahead in the last battles for the home islands came in May 1943. U.S. infantry wiped out 2,000 Japanese soldiers fighting for three weeks in the mist and fog on Attu in the western Aleutians, shooting down more than 1,000 in a wild melee when the survivors, screaming "Banzai" flung themselves on the Americans in a final charge. Many of the enemy blew themselves apart with grenades. Only 11 dazed men were taken alive.

Such apparent irrational behavior might baffle and revolt Americans, but Japanese newspapers compared it lovingly to The Charge of the Light Brigade.

After that there was a grim sameness to the outcome of those island combats: massive preliminary bombardment, then the infantry went in to finish it in fights without quarter, little wars of extermination. Tarawa, Kwajalein, Saipan, Tinian, Guam, Leyte, Iwo Jima, each one was as bad or worse than the last.

The Japanese died very hard, fighting with the desperation of trapped animals. During the battle for Leyte in October 1944,

American sailors reported that Japanese pilots no longer tried to bomb warships, instead deliberately sought to crash their planes into them.

That too was a portent of what waited at Okinawa, the Kamikaze Special Attack Squadron, an aerial Banzai charge. The young airmen of the empire planned to sacrifice themselves to break the spirit of the weak Americans who considered life so precious.

Sixty-seven miles long, three to 20 wide, a maze of ridges, cliffs and caves, Okinawa had been designed by nature for defense. Elaborately dug in ingenious fortifications interlocked with trenches and tunnels, the Japanese 32nd Army awaited attack on the south end of the island, the bait in a gigantic trap.

Providing air cover, fire support and supplies to the troops ashore, the American fleet had to stay off Okinawa and it was that fleet the enemy intended to destroy.

Six days after the landings, the enemy stood and fought. Intelligence had estimated 55,000 to 65,000 Japanese soldiers in the island with perhaps 200 pieces of artillery. The estimates erred. There were perhaps twice as many soldiers, about 500 guns. By April 6, three U.S. Divisions, 7th, 27th, and 96th, were in solid contact with an unwavering enemy.

Shortly after daylight, began the most eerily gallant spectacle of the war. A swarm of high explosive wasps, the Kamikazes pounced on the American ships, first by day, then by night, in mass raids and individually.

American fighters shot them down by the hundreds. Navy gunners sent many more into the sea in flames, but some got through. Ships and the men in them died in explosion and fire.

After three weeks, the Marines cleared the northern end of the island. Two marine Divisions, and the 77th Infantry Division joined the three Army divisions in the south. Yard by yard, the Japanese were pushed toward the sea while off shore the primitive guided missiles with perfect guidance systems, came again and again. The Okinawa anchorage was littered with blackened, shattered ships, others limped off toward home burying their dead at sea.

Soldiers and marines by then were in a battle of "Blowtorch" and "Corkscrew," using blazing liquid and high explosive to root Japanese soldiers from dugouts, tunnels, caves, even burial vaults.

In the first combat, the America armored flame thrower, a medium tank converted to project a 100 yard stream of fire from its turret proved grimly effective.

Satchel charges and grenades took out some of the enemy strong points. Elsewhere the attackers resorted to napalm, bazookas, sometime sealed the entrance to caves with bulldozers, poured in hundreds of gallons of gasoline and detonated it with tracer bullets.

By early June less than 15,000 fanatical defenders held out in hills and caves with their backs to the sea defying calls to surrender while the Kamikazes rained terror and death on the American fleet.

Finally, in mid-June the defense collapsed in an orgy of wild charges, some by Japanese civilians, and ritual suicide.

Dreams of negotiated peace held by the Japanese military flickered out at Okinawa, with them more than 110,000 soldiers, 16 combat ships, almost 8,000 airplanes, most with their pilots.

American casualties in the last battle—more than 49,000—were the worst of the Pacific War. Some 4,500 soldiers, almost 8,000 marines, airmen and sailors died in combat. The Kamikazes, sunk 26 American ships, none larger than a destroyer, damaged 164 others.

Even in the superlatives of global war, Okinawa was an epic, the biggest land, sea, air combat in history. The terrible price of victory left the American people and their leaders filled with foreboding as they prepared for what they thought then would be the real last battle, the invasion of the Japanese home island.

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# Employed by Contractor? Report May Be Required

WASHINGTON (ANF)—Certain Army officers and DA civilians, GS-13 and above, who have retired or separated must report to the Army annually if they are employed by a defense contractor.

The report is required if the contractor received more than \$10 million in contracts awarded by DoD during any part of a fiscal year and if the retired or separated individual earns \$15,000 or more per year from that contractor. The report is required only for the first three years following retirement or separation.

The annual report is required by Public Law 91-121 and is implemented by AR 600-47. The report is required of any former or retired military commissioned officer in the rank of Major or above with 10 or more years extended active duty and for civilian employees, including nonappropriated fund employees, who are paid at a rate equal to or greater than the minimum rate for grade GS-13.

Specifically the regulation requires that a report by submitted:

1. if individuals are "employed" by a defense contractor as a consultant or otherwise,
2. if they represent a defense contractor at a hearing, trial, appeal, or other action in which the U.S. was a party and which involved services and materials provided or to be provided to the DoD by such contractor, or
3. if they represented a defense contractor in any transaction with DoD involving services or materials provided or to be provided by such contractor to DoD.

Commanders are required to provide separating or retiring military and civilian personnel with a copy of the appropriate regulation (AR 600-47).

The annual report is submitted on DD Form 1787 and must be filed by October 15 following the end of the fiscal year during which employment began.

Personnel who feel they are or will be affected should contact their closest Adjutant General or servicing civilian personnel office to determine their status and reporting requirements.

## SAME Observes High School Night

The Huntsville Post, Society of American Military Engineers will conduct its annual high school night, Thursday at the Officers' Open Mess with festivities beginning at 6:30.

Colonel John V. Parish, SAME post commander, announced that one outstanding student in the field of engineering will be announced and the winning student, teacher sponsor, and school will be honored.

Finalists in the scholastic endeavor contest are Mildred Shofner, Randolph High School; Barbara Fisher, Madison Academy; and Brian Godsy, Johnson High School. In addition to the award, the victorious student will be invited to present a technical paper to the Society.

The feature speaker for the evening will be Alvah Barron, President of Barron/A.S.E., Inc. of Birmingham, who was recently elected "Alabama's Engineer of the Year." His topic will be "Energy and Its Options."

Telephone reservations for the meeting may be made by calling 895-5810.

## Thiokol Director Wins NASA Award

Bill Barnes, Project Director at Thiokol was recently presented the National Aeronautics and Space Administrations' Public Service Award in recognition for his contributions to the success of their Delta Program.

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Before his promotion to Project Director, Barnes was the Project Manager for all Castor motor programs.

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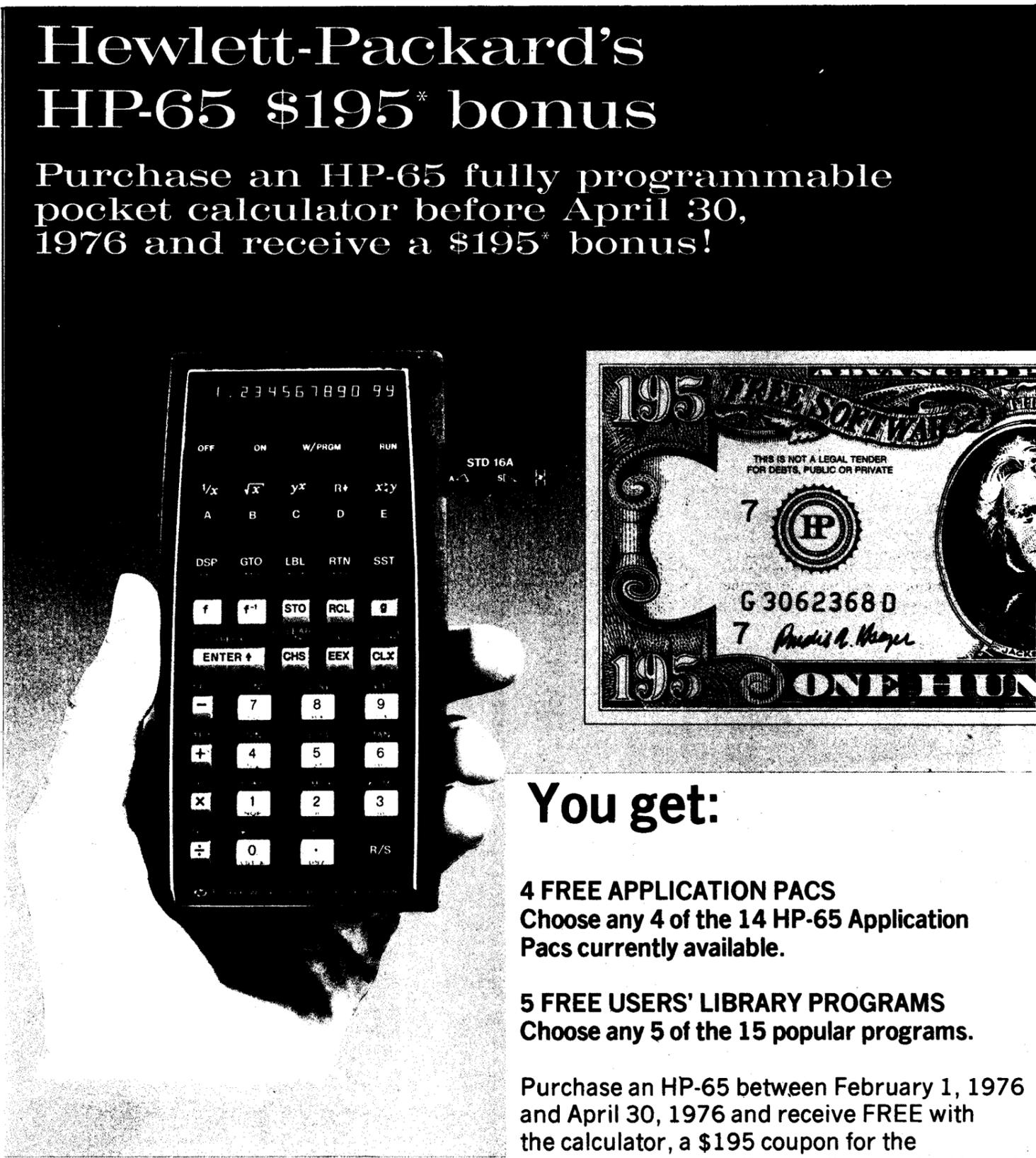
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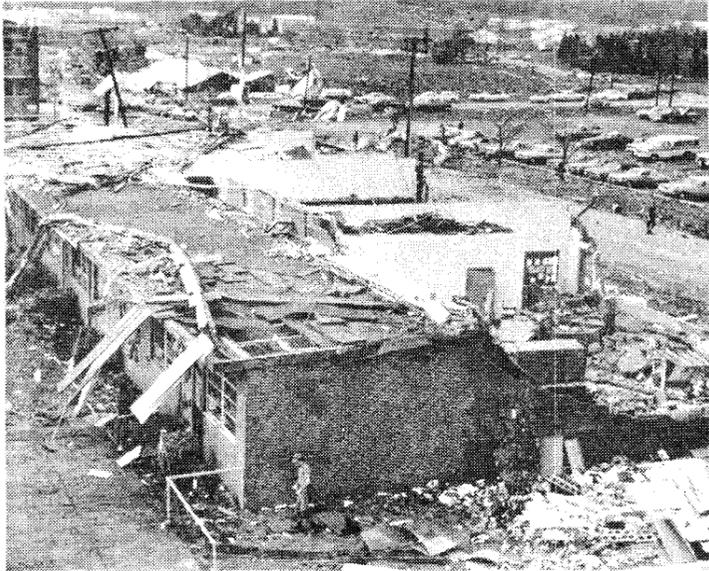
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Now, almost two years later, most of the damaged buildings have either been torn down or rebuilt.

This week, School Brigade Headquarters and its satellite offices will be relocated to bldg. 3440. Other offices include Reenlistment, Command Information, Supply, RREO and Battalion Headquarters.

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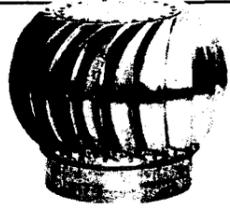
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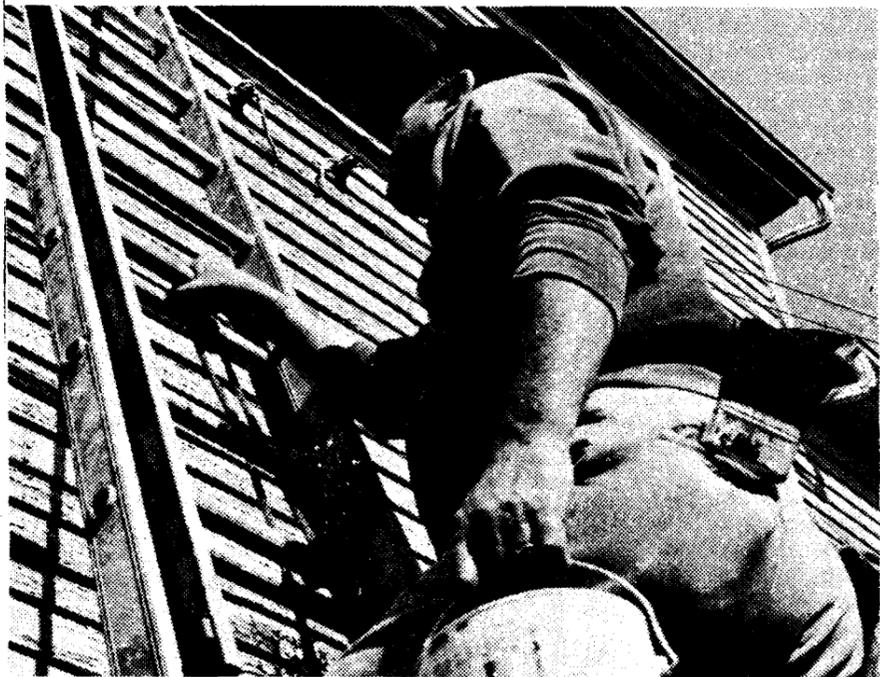
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# Fish Spawn

(From Page 1)

said that in the latest checks (in March) of the branch's DO content both within and outside arsenal boundaries, no levels lower than 8.0 milligrams of dissolved oxygen per liter of water were recorded. State of Alabama water quality criteria specify a 5.0 or higher DO level as capable of supporting a balanced aquatic environment.

Good amounts of rainfall have kept the branch DO level relatively high for more than a year. Barring prolonged dry spells this summer, it should remain high enough to support

fish for another year. The DO drops in dry weather because without rainfall to dilute the effluent from the Huntsville sewer plant which discharges into the branch, organic matter in the effluent consumes all the oxygen in the water.

In dry weather effluent accounts for an estimated 75 to 90 percent of the flow of the branch. Even though the effluent meets present regulatory requirements for cleanliness, and is oxygenated before leaving the treatment plant, the sheer volume of it (about 20 million gallons daily) cannot be sufficiently diluted by the streams natural flow in dry weather.

While the DO level will go down this summer, Reid said, it only poses a problem when it gets down and stays down. Then fish kills occur. There were no kills last year, but several occurred in 1974 during a dry period that lasted for a few weeks.

Reid views the large numbers of carp as not necessarily a good sign. "Of course they're a good sign in that they're living in places that used to not support fish of any kind", said Reid, "but carp can tolerate pollution and you can't say that the branch is getting clean until it's able to support other kinds of fish."

The carp likely will have the branch mostly to themselves for

the immediate future. The branch is "at a plateau", and it is "strictly a weather situation" that it is as good as it is presently, Reid said, and there will be no real improvement as long as the branch is the receiving stream for the city's effluent as presently treated.

The branch may get a reprieve in a few years, however. According to a spokesman for the Huntsville Sanitation Department, the city is planning to run a pipeline from the waste treatment plant directly to the river. Construction of the pipeline will begin when money becomes available, probably in 1978, the spokesman said.

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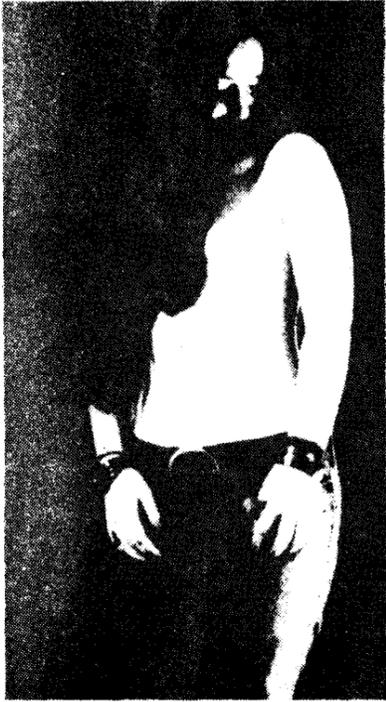


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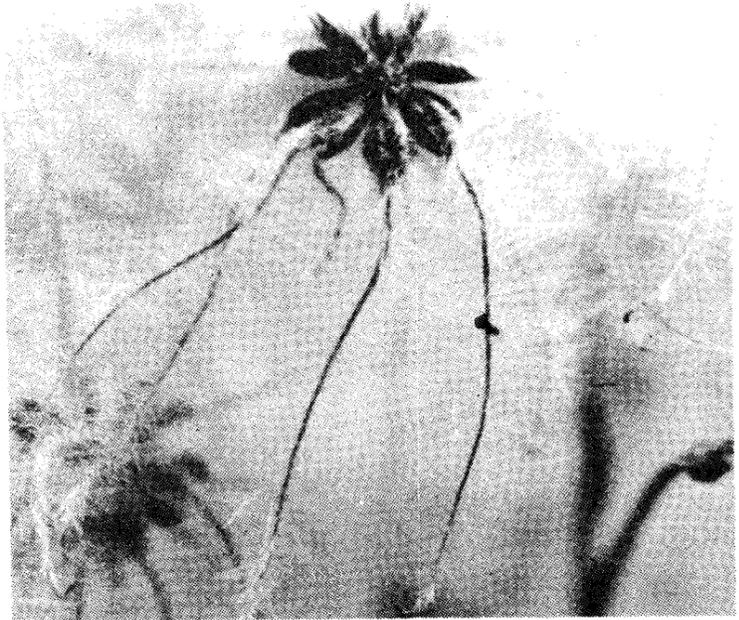
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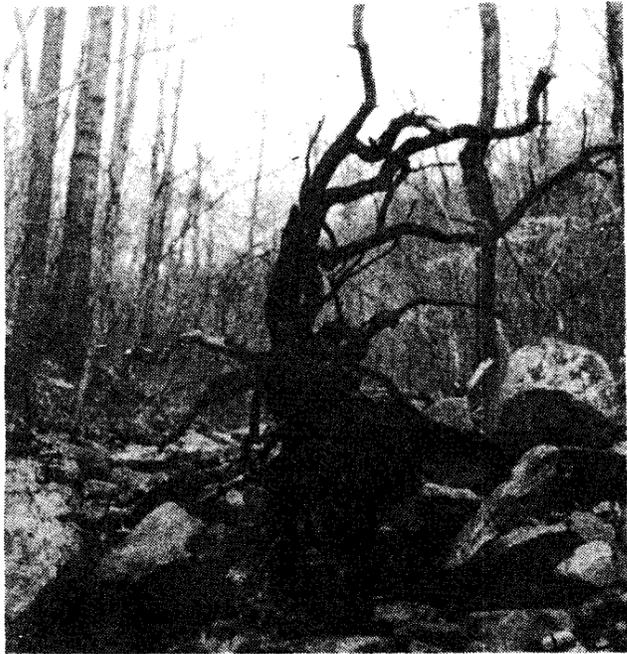
# Soldiers Win in Photo Contest

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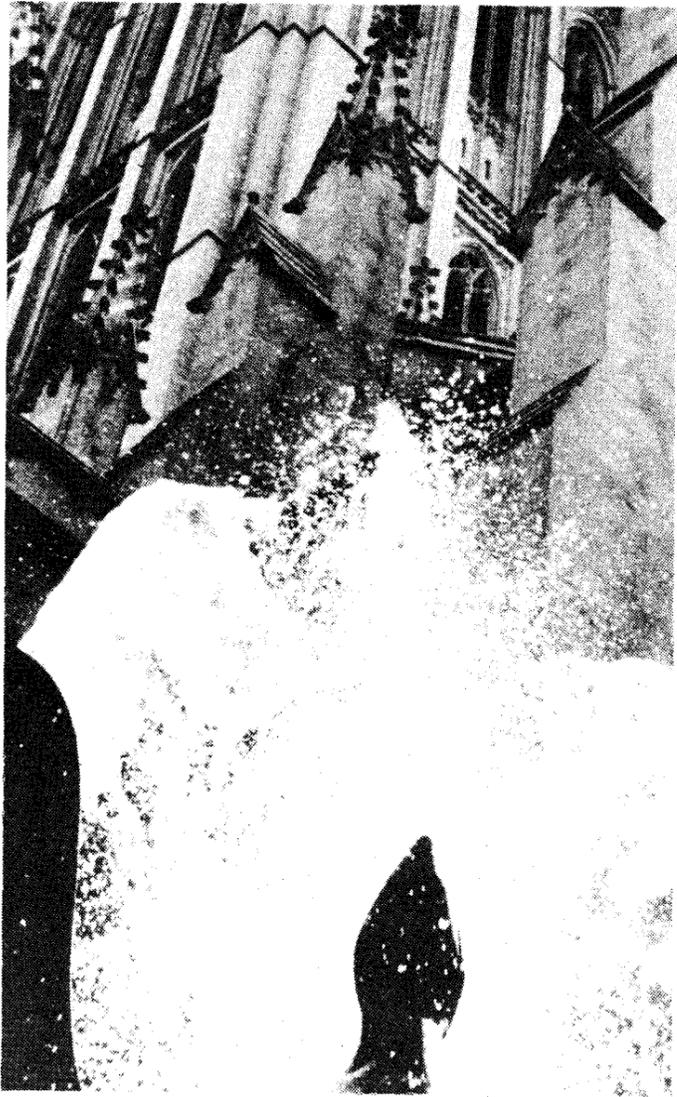
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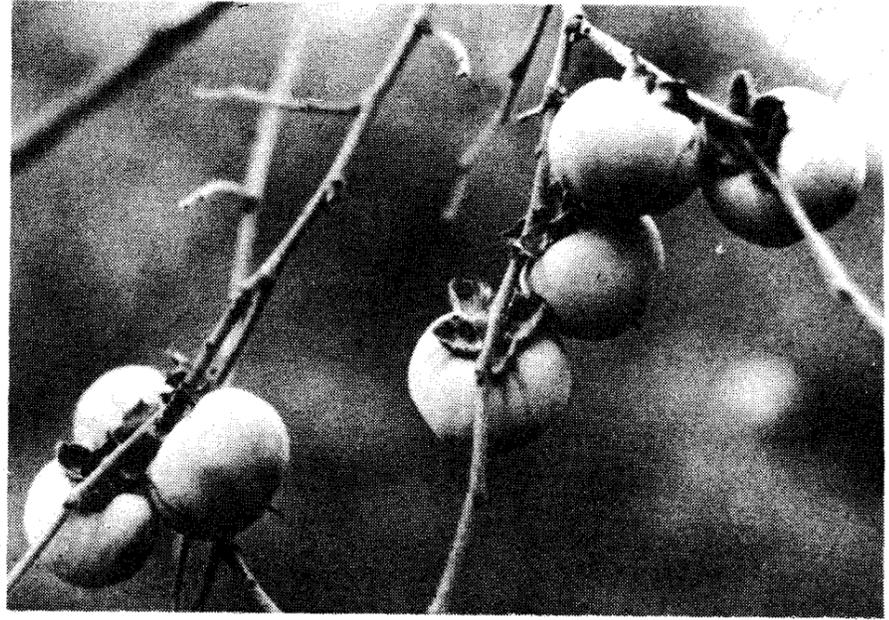


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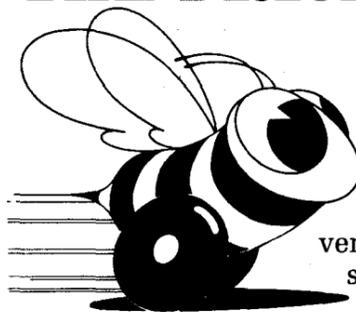


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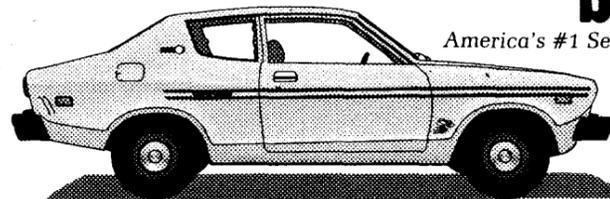
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## Per Diem Hike Proposed

WASHINGTON (ANF)—Soldiers will be getting eight bucks more a day for TDY trips if current legislation gets the final nod. The bill is now in conference committee and may reach the President in the near future.

New stateside rates of \$33, or more in designated high-cost areas, should reach GI pockets about one month after he signs it.

This proposed increase will bring Army TDY pay in line with civilian rates. Rising costs of travel and lodging were cited as reasons for recommending higher rates.

Under the new rules, troops will get \$14 per day for meals and other expenses like laundry, dry cleaning, etc. Also the average cost of the rooms you stay in will be refunded.

For example, if you paid \$14 one night and \$16 the next evening, simply total the costs (\$30), and divide by the number of days (2). You would get \$15 per day for lodging. Total daily expenses cannot exceed \$33 per day for stateside TDY except in designated high-cost areas.

For these high-cost areas, actual expense reimbursement is authorized for not more than the max daily amounts set for each city. The highest cost areas is the boroughs of Manhattan, Bronx and Staten Island. Soldiers will receive \$50 per diem there. Rates for other areas are: Brooklyn and Queens, San Francisco and Chicago — \$39; Washington, D.C. — \$42; Boston — \$38; and Los Angeles — \$37.

Servicemembers can opt to be

paid on a per diem basis and receive \$33, or ask to be reimbursed for actual expenses when staying in a high-cost area. However, you must be prepared to show proof of expenses if you claim the max payment for high-cost areas. Regardless of expenses, soldiers will receive no more than the max rate set for each particular area.

The method of computation for overseas per diem will also change. Soldiers traveling there will be allowed half the applicable per diem rate for meals and incidental costs. They also will get back the cost of their room. All this must not exceed the set area per diem rate.

Congress had approved a \$35 per diem rate hike, but DoD wanted a \$33 limit to be consistent with civilian rates.

## Covenant Players Here

The Los Angeles Covenant Players will present a contemporary drama, consisting of three short plays, this afternoon at the Post Chapel from 12:30 to 4 p.m.

The program centers on people, their lack of ability to communicate with one another and life in the modern society.

According to a School Brigade official, students at the Missile and Munitions Center and School who

wish to attend the retreat, will be excused from their afternoon classes.

The California performers, consisting of two men and three women, have performed for military service groups throughout the world.

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The target was recovered by its two-stage parachute which was activated by remote ground command.

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MICOM awarded Beech a \$7.7 million contract in April 1975 for first year production of Streaker targets and equipment.

The MICOM Targets Special Management Office under Colonel A. A. Busck has program responsibility for Streaker. Raye Stanley is the Project Engineer.



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## Now You Can Buy Back Leave

WASHINGTON (ANF)—Soldiers who have reenlisted and sold back leave since Feb. 10, 1976—when the FY 76 Appropriation Bill became law—will be allowed to repay the leave payment and have the leave credited instead.

With the anticipated congressional passage of the 60-day limit on leave sell-back beyond FY 76, soldiers who sell back leave early in their career would lose money. If the soldier waits until later in his career when basic pay and allowances are greater, the payment for unused leave will be greater.

The congressional measure limits to 60 days the amount of leave a soldier can sell back over an entire career, instead of at each reenlistment. Soldiers may not have been aware of that provision when reenlisting so DA is giving them the opportunity to buy back leave they may have sold at reenlistment since Feb. 10.

The payment must be made in a lump sum by June 30, 1976. The soldier's leave will be reinstated when full payment has been made. The soldier's discharge certificate—DD Form 214—also will be corrected to reflect the amount of leave sold back.

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Winners of six league titles in seven years during the 60s, the Bombers fell on hard times following their last win in 1969 with the Bandits, the All-Sports and the Spares grabbing championships.

But this year's race in the Civilian Welfare Fund league belonged to Walt Heflin's crew almost from the start. The final victory margin over the Spares was six points with Hughes TOW another six and a half lengths back. The Cadillacs eased into fourth with a closing night 3073 total.

Heflin and Eulas Gilbert, Bomber regulars throughout the winning era, were joined on the winning combo by Lee Keim, Dick Gore, Bill Walker, Tom Smith and Lee Lavender.

The sixth-place Lily Flagg quintet accounted for the best game and series team efforts of the year with a 1117 game and 3093 three game total.

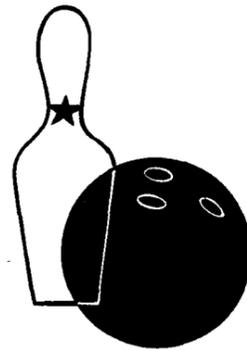
The Bombers shot a 1102 game and had a 3061 series while the Cadillacs put a 1098 game in the books during their closing foray.

On the individual front Dave Cowan edged Dave Blackwood and Danny Koklas for the average crown. Cowan knocked down 174 pins per game with Blackwood and Koklas bracketed at 173. Two of the Bombers, Keim and Gore, were another pin back at 172.

Blackwood shot the first Honor Roll count three nights into the season and turned in a 628 finale to become the only league bowler to pass the 600 mark twice.

In between the two Blackwood splurges, the Honor Roll admitted Koklas, Keim, Steve Stevens, Ernie Rhodes and Bob Brock. Keim's 629 was the best scratch series of the year.

The best game of the year almost didn't make it with Monroe Bates putting together a 241 in the third game of the last night. Joe Hyatt hit a 267 handicapped game and Ray Herlston had a 265.



# Bowling News

## S&M League

Final Standings	W	L
Outhouse Lounge (*)	39	21
Barber-Coleman	37	23
Clowns	37	23
Strikers	33 1/2	26 1/2
Mistis (*)	32	28
Reba's	26	34
Three & Two	26	34
Outcasts	25 1/2	34 1/2
The Docs	25	35
Huntsville Times	19	41

\* The Outhouse Lounge captured the second half title of the league's split season and will take on the first half-winning Mistis for the league championship tonight.

### Last Wednesday

Barber-Coleman-3 — Outhouse-1  
Clowns-4 — Misfits-0  
Strikers-2 1/2 — Outcasts-1 1/2  
Reba's-3 — The Docs-1  
Three-Two-3 — Times-1

### High Rollers

Chuck Sloan, 547; Greg Arndt, 543; Jim Schleimer, 543; Richard Smock, 543; Buck Wade, 538; Hugh Mauney, 531.

## AMC League

(Final Standings)

	Pts
Bombers	73 1/2
Spares	67 1/2
Hughes TOW	61
Cadillacs	60
T-Birds	58
Lily Flagg	57 1/2
Alley Cats	57 1/2
King Pins	56 1/2
Sprinters	56
Fat Cats	52 1/2

## Wed. Officers

Final Standings (Second Half)

	Won
76'ers	76
Swingers	70
Lucky Strikes	70
Strikeouts	62
School Brigade	60
ExASPRators	58
Readiness Group	58
Metracals	56
Kuwait Keglers	54
Black Jacks	52
Pickups	50
Redrock Injurers	48
P&P Registers	44
Halo's	26

### Results

Swingers 8 — Readiness 0  
Strikeouts 6 — Sch. Bde. 2  
ExASPRators 6 — Metracals 2  
Lucky Strikes 6 — 76'ers 2  
Pickups 6 — Redrock 2  
Black Jacks 6 — Kuwait 2  
P&P 6 — Halo's 2

### Ind. Honors

High Series: Penscola, 594 (211-201); Lyko, 567; Ogozalek, 559; Bryan, 551 (204); Aldrup, 546 (205); Witzzak, 546; Jordon, 534; Wilkerson, 530; Chiarizio, 526 (209).

High Games: Ivy, 207; Magno, 204; Curry, 203; Turner, 200.

High Averages: (First) Bryan, 175.8 (Second) Townley, 175.6.

High Scratch Game: Bofenkamp, 267.  
High Scratch Series: Rausch, 666.  
High Team Scratch Game: 76'ers, 1025.  
High Team Scratch Series: 76'ers, 2801.

(In a late news item, second-half champions 76'ers defeated first-half winners Lucky Strikes for the league championship, 2,834-2,809.)

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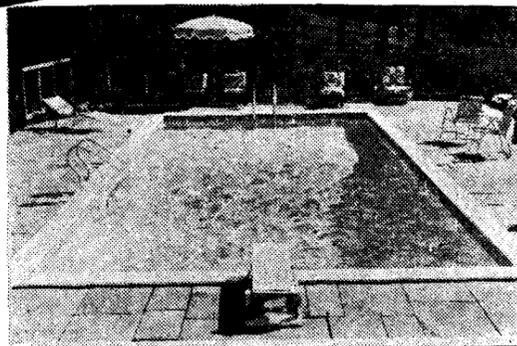
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# Booters Give Departing Coach Rousing Send-off

Mobile, Ala.—The Redstone soccer team stunned the South last weekend with a climactic fourth place finish in the prestigious Mobile Invitational Soccer tournament here.

In a brilliant display of defensive plays and outstanding teamwork, Redstone defeated Mississippi State, routed Maxwell Air Force Base, and tied Pensacola International.

However, five games within a two-day period had its effects on the Redstone team as they moved into the semi-finals against three other unbeaten teams.

In two closely-contested matches, Redstone lost to University of Georgia, and Georgia Tech, to finish fourth among 16 competing teams—mostly Southeastern Conference foes.

In the final standings, the University of Florida nabbed first, Georgia took second, and Georgia Tech, third.

Redstone ended a successful season with a 7-3-1 record; perhaps a momentous conclusion for coach Helmut Achilles, who will soon depart the Arsenal for his homeland in Germany.

Achilles' team did surprisingly well during the tournament, finishing way ahead of the

University of Alabama (Tuscaloosa) and the University of Alabama in Huntsville.

During the past several years, UAH has been considered a southern powerhouse in soccer.

"I'm sorry to see coach Achilles leave us," said Athletic Director Ralph Santaliz. "His ability, along with his knowledge and expertise, enabled him to get his players to put forth a little extra when the team was completely exhausted," Santaliz added.

"In addition," said Santaliz, "Achilles' tireless efforts and his team's fine record have made him one of the outstanding coaches on my staff."

Bodo Strohle, the post soccer team's leading scorer, was named by Santaliz to replace Achilles as the new coach.

The Rockets encountered the Internationals in the first game, laying them to a 2-2 deadlock.

Strohlein gave Redstone a 1-0 lead with 18 minutes elapsed in the game on a corner kick that buzzed by Pensacola's goalie. Two minutes later, Redstone missed a golden opportunity to score when Egon Harms attempted a shot that bounced off the crossbar supporting the goal net.

With 23 minutes gone, the

Florida squad scored on a power play to notch the game at one-all at halftime.

Manfred Krause put Redstone back into the lead with 16 minutes elapsed in the second half on a shot that got by the goalie into the right corner of the net.

Four minutes later, Pensacola came back on another corner kick to even the game at two-all.

In a hard fought battle, Redstone downed Mississippi State 2-1 in the waning minutes of the contest on a 20-yard goal by Strohle.

The Bulldogs took a 1-0 lead over the Arsenal team with 16 minutes gone in the game, but Redstone retaliated with a penalty kick by Strohle to even the match at halftime.

With three minutes left in the game, Achilles passed the ball to Manfred Thomas, who then passed it to Strohle. Strohle fired a blazing shot from 20 yards out and scored the winning goal for the post team.

Redstone met Maxwell in the final game of the A Division bracket and defeated them 5-0.

The Rockets jumped off to a quick 1-0 advantage on Strohle's fourth goal of the tournament. Strohle added his fifth goal in the

second half, along with scores from Dieter Hohner, Egon Harms and Dieter Renn, as the Rockets easily eliminated the Fliers from the competition.

Redstone advanced to the semi-finals with a 2-0-1 record with the Georgia Bulldogs as their opponent. In a demoralizing loss, the Rockets fell to Georgia, 2-1, on a controversial goal by the Bulldogs in the early minutes of the game.

The disputed goal—with 20 minutes elapsed—gave the Bulldogs a 1-0 lead and drew an encore of "boos" from the fans, who thought the ball never penetrated the goal area.

Still stewing, the Rockets got back into the game minutes later when Dieter Renn hit the corner of the net for a score. Just before halftime, Georgia took a 2-1 advantage and then held on for the win as neither team could score in the final period.

With one loss, the Rockets dropped into the consolation bracket and met Georgia Tech, loser to Florida on a game-ending penalty kick.

The Engineers took advantage of Redstone's fifth game in two days and outmuscled the Rockets 3-1 for third place.

## Handball Ends In Deadlock

The Intramural European Handball League concluded an unstable six-game schedule with three teams from the Missile and Munitions Center and School handcuffed in a three-way tie for the championship.

All three clubs—the 8th SC, 4th SC and the German Air Force — finished the regular

dall added three and two goals for the fourth, while Gerd Aye and Rainer Estner led the Germans with eight and four goals respectively.

Rod Skidmore hammered home four goals in overtime to give the Marines a thrilling 16-15 win. Skidmore collected 10 biggies during the match.

more got three, followed by Charles Wattmuff, Dan Skelton and Rick Framme with two each.

### Wednesday

In Wednesday's only contest, the German Air Force outscored the Marines 10-6 in the final period to register a 17-13 win and a share of first place.

Erich Vronauer led the Germans with seven goals, after both teams played to a seven-all stalemate in the first half. Rainer Estner and Gerd Aye contributed four each in GAF's win, while Rod Skidmore banged in nine biggies, followed by Ken Swegrenin with three for the Leathernecks in a losing effort.

In the final two games of the season, the German Air Force won a forfeit from the 291st MPs, 1-0, Wednesday night. On Thursday, again the MPs forfeited another match to Company A.

### TEAM HANDBALL

#### TOP 10 SCORERS

NAME/UNIT	G	GOALS
Aye, German Air Force	4	27
Pangelinan, 8th SC	6	26
Skidmore, Marines	3	22
Lockett, 4th SC	4	19
Bray, Company A	5	16
Schanz, Company A	5	13
Vronauer, German Air Force	3	13
Antalosky, 8th SC	4	13
Bachman, Marines	5	12
Thompson, 8th SC	5	11
Ford, 8th SC	4	10

#### FINAL HANDBALL

	Standings		
	W	L	GB
8th SC	5	1	—
4th SC	5	1	—
GAF	5	1	—
Marines	2	4	3
Company A	2	4	3
291st MPs	1	5	4
6th SC	0	6	5

season with identical 5-1 records. No special playoff was scheduled to determine the final standing.

Therefore, all six teams are competing in the Post playoffs, which got underway Monday night.

### Monday

In two games under the lights last Monday night, the 4th SC edged the German Air Force 14-13; and the Marines nipped Company A, 16-15.

In the first of two games Monday night, the Fourth students pounded out eight goals in the final half to nip the German Air Force.

Lewis and Herb Adams paced the students to their win with four goals each, after both clubs played to a seven-all draw in the first half.

Ken Chance and Stanley Ran-

Both teams played to a seven-all tie at halftime and then in the final period each club produced five more goals each to send the game into overtime.

For the Marines, Herman Val-esques and Ken Swegrenin had two goals apiece, while Gary Schanz and Don Bran contributed five each, followed by Roy Locklear with three for the A's.

### Tuesday

The 4th SC upended the Marines, 13-11, to finish the season with a 5-1 slate. Jim Wells and Herb Adams scored four goals each as the students took a 6-5 halftime advantage and then outscored the Marines 7-6 in the final stanza for the win.

Lewis Lockett, the team's high scorer with 19 goals, helped the students' cause with three. For the Leathernecks, Rod Skid-

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# Redstone Drops Baseball Thriller to Athens

The Redstone Rockets was on the verge of winning its second consecutive exhibition baseball game Thursday at Linton Field when Athens College diminished their hopes with a two-run sixth inning to take an eventual 6-3 win.

The Rockets jumped off to a 2-0 advantage over Athens and then increased their lead to 3-2 after five innings. But three hits and three walks to the Athens foes in the sixth spelled disaster for Rocket's right-hander Steve Edmonston, who yielded only two hits through five innings.

The Rockets enjoyed a 2-0 lead

after one inning of play when K.C. Manning walked and then scored and third baseman Mike Spry cracked his fifth home run of the season.

Athens deadlocked the game at two-all in the second when Jay Winkler slammed a homerun, after John Siminlinger reached first on an error.

Through the next two innings, Rocket's Edmonston gave up two hits, while Athens hurler Terry Vickery yielded only one.

Redstone took a 3-2 lead in the fifth on Jim Niepatter's first four-bagger. Niepatter's towering

homer came on a 1-1 pitch off Vickery.

Athens retaliated with two runs in the sixth to take a 4-3 advantage. Joe Cornelius reached first on an error, Siminlinger stroked a base hit, and then three consecutive walks, including a hit batter, by Edmonston allowed Athens to push across two easy runs.

The college players sewed the game up in the ninth with two insurance runs. Glenn Connors and Jeff Thompson singled, and then both men scored when Cornelius slapped a double.

The loss dropped the Rockets to a dismal 1-8 record.



Above, Pitcher Steve Edmonston. Left, Jay Jefferson takes a short lead off third base

## RSA BASEBALL STATISTICS

Name	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	BB	SO	RBI	On Base		Slugging Pct.
										BA	Pct.	
Wiese	19	5	4	2	0	0	6	12	0	.211	.423	2-4 .500
Teppe	26	4	4	1	0	0	3	16	1	.154	.333	1-4 .250
Manning	28	2	2	0	0	0	3	9	1	.071	.189	0-2 .000
Niepatter	21	3	5	1	0	1	4	6	4	.238	.320	2-5 .400
Spry	32	8	15	2	3	5	4	3	13	.469	.583	10-15 .666
Johnson	32	0	7	1	0	0	1	12	0	.219	.303	1-7 .143
Dixon	14	2	4	1	1	0	4	5	0	.286	.500	2-4 .500
Chance	12	1	3	0	0	1	3	5	4	.250	.357	1-3 .333
Diforie	27	1	2	0	0	0	1	13	1	.074	.172	0-2 .000
Edmonston	30	0	4	1	0	0	1	11	0	.133	.161	1-4 .250
Byrd	14	0	2	0	0	0	0	4	0	.143	.143	0-2 .000
Leathers	5	1	4	0	0	1	0	0	1	.800	.800	1-4 .250
Total	260	27	56	9	4	8	30	96	26	.215	.324	21-56 .375

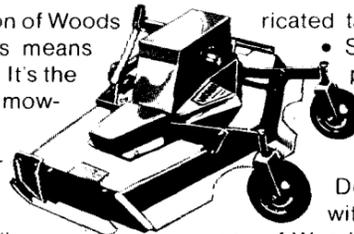
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There will be classes for four and five year olds and also a first grade class for children whose sixth birthday falls between October 1 and December 31. The curriculum includes a reading and math readiness program in addition to art, music, science and physical education.

The registration fee is \$10 and the monthly tuition is \$30.

### NCOA Schedule

The Redstone Chapter of the Noncommissioned Officer's Association will change their summer meeting schedule in June.

During June and July, the meetings will be held on the second Sunday of each month from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Military Recreation Area.

Members are encouraged to bring guests and a covered dish for the outdoor gathering.

### ISA Meets Monday

The Huntsville Section, Instrument Society of America will meet at 6:30 Monday evening April 26 at Ireland's Restaurant.

This will be the annual business meeting for the section.

Election of officers will be held and awards will be presented to deserving section members.

### Unearned Bonus Must Be Repaid

WASHINGTON (ANF)—Enlistment or reenlistment bonuses must be repaid if the enlistment terms are not fulfilled, according to DoD pay rules. Soldiers are liable for repayment of unearned bonus money if discharged voluntarily or for misconduct.

### MMCS Wives

The Missile and Munitions Center and School Officers' Wives Club will sponsor a tour to Morris Greenhouse Thursday April 22.

The convoy will form at 9:30 a.m. in the parking lot of the Youth Activities building (3197) outside of Gate 8 on Goss Road. A picnic prepared by Stanlieo's at Braham Springs Park will follow. In case of rain, the convoy will meet at the new Post Chapel.

The price for the tour is \$2.50. Reservations may be made by calling Dianne Boylston at 837-0566 or Margaret Haley at 837-5503. The cutoff time for making reservations is noon, April 19.

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## Hatch Act Ban Still Has Life

WASHINGTON—President Ford vetoed April 12 a bill that would have removed the Hatch Act's 40 year ban on partisan political activity by federal employees.

Sponsors of the legislation acknowledged afterward that the President's veto ends any chance of Hatch Act repeal during this year. The act passed both houses of Congress with less than the two-thirds majority needed to override the President's veto.

In his veto message, the President said: "The public ex-

pects the government service will be provided in a neutral, non partisan fashion. This bill would produce the opposite result."

The proposed legislation would have removed prohibitions which keep 2.8 million federal employees from running for local, state or federal office as candidates of partisan political parties.

The President said removal of the Hatch Act protections would make it inevitable that federal employees would be subjected to intense political pressures.

## Weapons Acquisition Seminar

"Weapons Systems Acquisition—Financial Problems" will be the topic for the second annual northern Alabama financial management seminar April 21-22 at the Sheraton Inn in Huntsville.

The Association of Government Accountants is sponsoring the seminar in conjunction with the Huntsville chapter.

Hadlai A. Hull, assistant Secretary of the Army for Financial Management, will be the dinner speaker at the opening banquet April 21.

Other speakers include R.W. Gutmann, director, Procurement and Systems Acquisition Division, General Accounting Office; Robert R. Kemps, Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Comp-

troller); Dr. John L. McDaniel, Army Missile Research, Development and Engineering Laboratory; and Col. Michael J. Dooley, MICOM Director for Plans and Analysis.

Panelists for the seminar will be Richard J. Trainor, Office of the Chief of Research, Development and Acquisition; James Ratliff,

BMDSCOM; Col. George Mooney, MICOM Comptroller; Col. B.F. Register, director of MICOM Procurement and Production; and Frank Buckley, Jr., chief of the MICOM Legal Office.

Lt. Col. Herbert Wagenheim, chief of the Finance and Accounting Division, is seminar chairman.

## Marshall Plans Space Symposium

A two-day symposium on "Space Industrialization" will be held at the Marshall Space Flight Center on May 26 and 27.

The general purpose of the symposium will be to discuss the latest information on planning expanded space operations after the Space Shuttle. Four primary topics will be covered—Space Habitation, Space Transportation, Space Processing and Space Power.

James A. Downey, deputy director of MSFC's Program Development Directorate will be chairman of the event sponsored jointly by the Marshall Center and American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics.

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# AT AUCTION

**SAT., APRIL 24 BEGINNING AT 10:02½ A.M.**

Located in Ardmore, Tenn.-Ala., excellent Commercial, Residential and Farm land property belonging to the estate of the late Mr. E. D. Rolin; being sold for division among heirs.

### Sale No. 1 — Commercial Property

Located on First Street of the business district of Ardmore, Tenn., now occupied by Ardmore Plumbing and Electric and Bradley's Shoe Store. Property is located on corner of First Street and First Avenue, West. Property will be offered in three separate units and as a whole; highest price will determine sale.

**Unit No. 1** now used by Ardmore Plumbing and Electric has two sections, one for retail sales floor and the other for storage. The storage section is large enough and so arranged that it could be used as another unit if so desired. It is a concrete block structure with concrete and wood floors and bathroom facilities.

**Unit No. 2** now used by Bradley's Shoe Store is a concrete block structure about 83' deep and has wood floor with vinyl tile on top. It is heated with gas, has bathroom facilities and is above average condition.

**Unit No. 3** is of concrete construction and has lavatory facilities. It is presently utilized for storage, but is a perfect building for any number of businesses including jewelry, ready-to-wear, barber or beauty shop, etc.

This is excellent property suitable for so many and varied purposes, whether for your own business or as investment property. There is plenty parking area on the east side.

### Sale No. 2 — Lots

**Lot No. 1** fronts 146.8' more or less on State Line Road and 132' more or less on right of way between Rolin property and Lewisburg and Northern Railroad. On this lot is a concrete building with metal roof, concrete floor with vinyl tile, acoustic ceiling, gas heat, bathroom facilities and large plate glasses for showroom display. This is an excellent building in every respect, ready to be occupied for business purposes. Attached to this building is an older frame building formerly used by the Rolins in their business. This building has about 3200 square feet floor space and is ideal for furniture, hardware or any business of this type.

**Lot No. 2** is 60' x 120' more or less adjacent to the old frame store building. There is a 2 room frame dwelling situated on this lot. It is now occupied by tenants and could be put with any tract you like.

**Lot No. 3** is 60' x 120' more or less with frontage on the 100' right of way and situated on this lot is a concrete and metal building formerly used as a scale house. It could be used for retail feed, fertilizer or warehouse operation or anything of this type.

**Lot No. 4** is a corner lot fronting 77' more or less on the right of way and 200' more or less on the alley on south side. Situated on this lot is a 6 room frame dwelling with bath and a concrete block storage building. This is an excellent lot with plenty shade and cyclone fence around the yard and is the old home place of Mr. Ed Rolin.

**Lot No. 5** is also a corner lot fronting 80' more or less on the alley and 77' more or less on proposed street on the town plan, and situated on this property is a 3 room frame dwelling.

**Lot No. 6** just north of lot No. 5 fronts the proposed street 60' more or less and is 80' more or less deep. It also joins lot no. 3 with the former scale house.

**Lot No. 7** is a corner lot fronting the proposed street and 70' more or less on State Line Road. Situated on this lot is the old frame shop building.

This property can be bought in individual parcels as described or we reserve the right to sell in groups and combinations as the owners and agents may decide. The property has city water and sewer and is located in a heavy business section of Ardmore. It will be sold in every combination possible in order to allow the buyers every opportunity to get the property desired.

### Sale No. 3 — Commercial Lot

This is an excellent commercial lot fronting Highway 31—50' more or less and going back 165' more or less to State Line Road. It is just north of the railroad underpass and joins Phillips 66 service station on the west and the Animal Clinic on the South, and has one room frame dwelling. This is prime commercial property on a heavily traveled main thoroughfare of Ardmore. It is serviced by all utilities and is ideal for any type business.

All properties described will be sold subject to any zoning restrictions by the planning commission of the City of Ardmore and in accordance with the agreement and approval of the executors of the estate of the late Mr. Ed Rolin. A clear warranty deed will be given on each parcel or sale.

**At Auction Sat., April 24 at 2:02½ P.M.**

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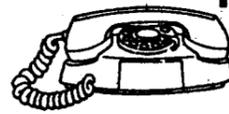
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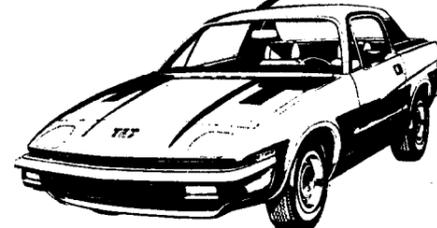
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