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Command Splits On Schedule

WASHINGTON — The massive reorganization of the U.S. Army Materiel Development and Readiness Command moves from plan to reality as the first of its six major commodity commands formally divides tomorrow.

In Detroit, the Tank Automotive Command will split into the Tank-Automotive Materiel Readiness Command and the Tank-Automotive Research and Development Command.

Both new commands will be based in Detroit, MG Chester M. McKean Jr., now commanding TACOM, will head the readiness command. His deputy, MG Oscar C. Decker Jr., takes over the R&D command.

TACOM's work force of about 5,200 is being split with no loss of jobs. "The principle effect will be the realignment of some job functions and reassignments of a limited number of personnel," McKean said.

In St. Louis, meantime, as the promised date for a decision on the Aviation R&D Command and merger

Support Command and Aviation Systems Command approached, DARCOM advised Congress Friday that it would need more time.

The reason cited by the Army in extending the date from the end of June until "near the end of August" was that it needed more time to evaluate alternative proposals submitted by members of Congress.

In April DARCOM had said its preferred alternative was to set up the Aviation R&D Command in St. Louis merging aviation readiness functions and troop support readiness functions in another command in the same city but at a different location.

The Army Friday also set back "until September" a final decision on the future location of the proposed Electronics R&D Command. When first announced last April, the preferred alternative involved shifting some R&D functions now performed in the Electronics Command at Ft. Monmouth, N. J. to the Washington area, probably to the Harry Diamond Labs.

Proposed shifts of functions and people away from Ft. Monmouth have provoked protest from community and employee unions groups. Monmouth recently completed the move of the U.S. Army Signal School to Ft. Gordon, Ga.

Major transfers of function involved in the Armaments Command have also drawn heavy fire and congressional opposition. One member of Congress is attempting to arrange hearings on the decision to move armament R&D from Rock Island, Ill. to Picatinny Arsenal, N. J. Community groups and employee unions are contesting the closure of Frankford Arsenal in Philadelphia.

At Rock Island Arsenal, more than 600 civilians assigned to the Rodman R&D Lab have been canvassed to determine if they would transfer with their function to Picatinny. More than half have refused transfer, preferring separation. Some technical people from the Rodman Labs have already found jobs in industry.

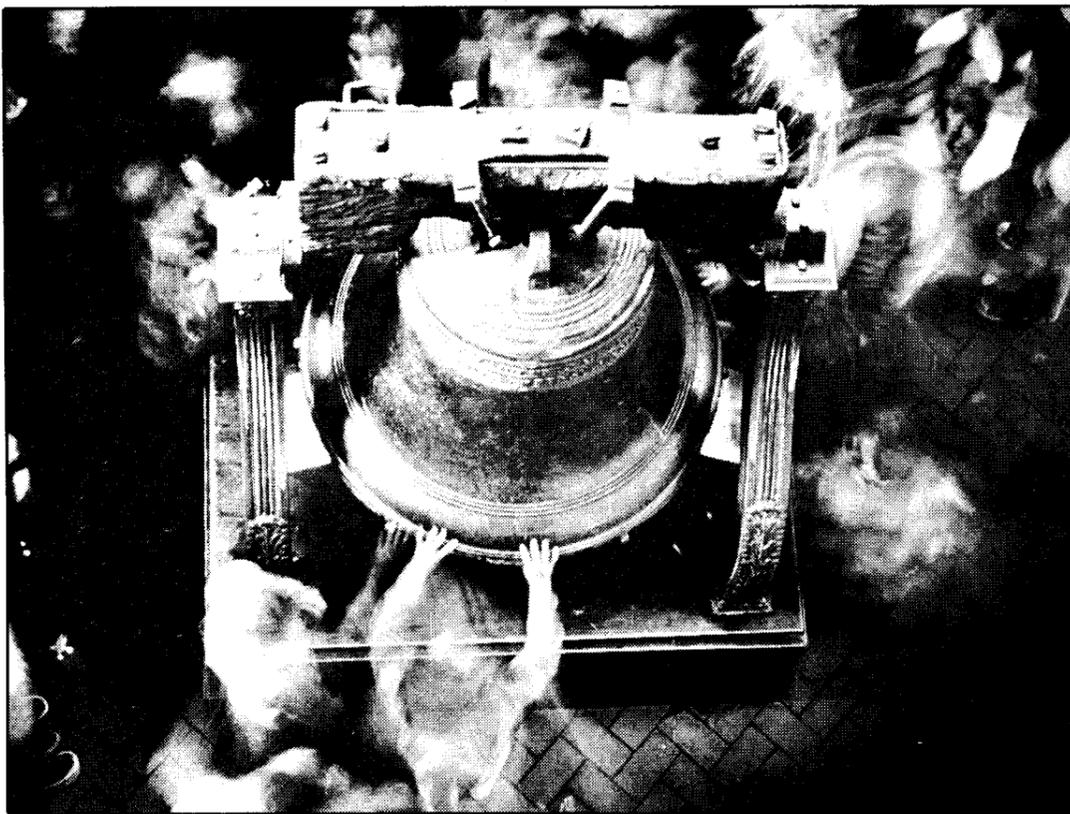
By Karen Rowe

If you have never heard your local bells ring in unison, you will hear them on Independence Day. On July 4, 1976 bells throughout the Nation will proclaim the country's 200th anniversary. Nationwide, bells and carillons will ring simultaneously in conjunction with the ringing of the Liberty Bell in Philadelphia at 2 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time.

The time selected is exactly 200 years from the precise moment the Liberty Bell proclaimed the independence of the new Nation on July 4, 1776. The bells will ring for two minutes in celebration of the Nation's first two centuries.

Communities, churches, schools, and fire departments will toll bells in a symbolic national effort to commemorate our Nation's anniversary. Radio and television stations are being asked to broadcast the sound of bells during the period. Americans working and living abroad are also invited to join in the salute.

The corresponding times elsewhere are 1 p.m. Central Daylight Time, at noon Mountain Daylight Time, and 11 a.m. Pacific Daylight Time. In Hawaii it will be 8 a.m. Standard Time and in American Samoa 7 a.m. Bering Time. Alaska stretches four times zones from Pacific to American Samoa. In Guam it will be 5 a.m. K Time of July 5th, while in Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands it will be 2 p.m. Atlantic Time on July 4th.



THE LIBERTY BELL. The Liberty Bell's traditional associations with the events of the American Revolution and its prophetic "Proclaim liberty" inscription have made it the most cherished and revered symbol of American freedom, and an emblem of liberty known throughout the world.

'Glorious Fourth' A Tradition

The Glorious Fourth of yesteryear will be reborn this July at the peak of the Bicentennial celebration. A nostalgic celebration of July 4th, the kind America's forefathers knew, would include patriotic oratory, flag waving, lemonade in the park, fireworks at the lake, pageantry, picnicking, parades, and plenty of

Then only a providential dog fight under the speaker's platform might offer a chance to escape for a closer inspection of the Stanley Steamer or Apperson Jack Rabbit that were hits of the Main Street parade.

Fourth of July fireworks, increasingly outlawed, have always been an explosive issue

tion's signers and the second President, thought Americans should celebrate on July 2, when the Continental Congress voted approval of the document. John Hancock, president of the Congress, signed it July 4, but it was first revealed to the public—and Biddle—on July 8.

Fourth of July celebrators



"This day should be commemorated as the day of deliverance, by solemn acts of devotion to God Almighty . . . It ought to be solemnized with pomp and parades, with shows, games, sports, guns, bells, bonfires and illuminations from one end of this continent to the other, from this time forward forevermore."

John Adams (July 4, 1776)

free-wheeling fun with family and friends.

Also add a bit of dissent, controversy, and protest. History records that this, too—seeing things another way—has had a long and traditional role in observances of Independence Day, the National Geographic Society says.

Sometimes the protest was merely aimed at long-winded speechifying that kept boys muttering and squirming on hot afternoons when there was more watermelon to be eaten, firecrackers to be lit, a mouthful of ice slivers to be begged from the ice wagon.

and an endless worry, especially to parents. In the first 30 years of this century, fireworks killed 4,290 Americans, or almost as many as the 4,435 who died in the Revolution that Independence Day marks.

Criticism of a Fourth of July goings-on could be highly personal. Charles Biddle of Philadelphia heard the brand-new Declaration of Independence read to some of his fellow townspeople and declared, "There are few respectable persons present."

The date itself has always been controversial. John Adams, one of the Declara-

were castigated in 1827 because they did not "refrain from spitting on that hallowed day." They were admonished in 1825 for not realizing that "public sentiment does not, at the present day, require that a man should get intoxicated to show his patriotism."

During those early celebrations, few citizens may have been brave enough to remind Fourth of July patriots that six months before the founding fathers approved the Declaration of Independence, they adopted a resolution protesting that they had "no design to set up an independent nation."

'...the most important collection of words ever written'

The U.S. Declaration of Independence, which affirmed individual and political equality and the right of self government, has been called one of the most important collections of words ever written. Thomas Jefferson, a delegate from Virginia in his early thirties, was appointed by the Continental Congress to draft this document which cut the ties between the American colonies and Great Britain, and which, subsequently, changed the course of world history.

The ideas and theories that were included in Jefferson's Declaration were not new; the document was a synthesis of what leading colonial citizens have been discussing for years. Basically, the Declaration of Independence relied on John Locke's contract theory of government which maintains that the source of a government's power lies with the people to be governed, not in "the divine right of kings." Jefferson elaborated on this theory with two significant features. First, he stated that certain "unalienable" rights could never be usurped by the government; second, if the government tried to destroy these

rights, the people have a right and a duty "to throw off such Government, and to provide new Guards for their future security."

The first part of the Declaration dealt with these political principles on which the colonists based their right to revolt. The second part of the document applied these principles to the conditions in the colonies during the 1770s. It lists such grievances as the abridged rights of individuals, taxation without representation, economic and trade restrictions, inequality of justice, English troops on colonial soil, and many other problems of the day for which the colonists believed the British Parliament and King George III to be responsible.

This charter for independence in 1776 endorsed an extremely radical concept on which to build a government—a government of the people, by the people, for the people which has withstood the test of 200 years. An incendiary document in its day, the Declaration of Independence ignited a flame of freedom seen and felt throughout the world.

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Executive Committee Sets Lively Drive

Almost a completely new team will be administering the Combined Federal Campaign at Redstone and throughout the Huntsville area this year.

Only two members of last year's executive committee return for another fund raising drive according to MG George E. Turnmeyer, who takes over this year as Executive Chairman of the campaign for the Area.

The MICOM Commander designated Lloyd L. Lively, an engineer in the Missile Research, Development and Engineering Laboratory, as the Area Coordinator and named chairmen for each of the new commands being established at Redstone.

Allan Norman will head the drive among the personnel assigned to the Missile Research and

Development Command and Lee Watson will direct the fund raising effort for the Missile Materiel Readiness Command.

The two returning committee members are Gene Sisson who remains for a fifth year as finance and reports chairman, and William Clark who will be in charge of training again this year.

Willa Dean Jones takes over as payroll coordinator from Marietta Graves who had held the post since the inception of the one-drive a year concept at Redstone in 1965.

Raymond Swaim, president of Local 1858, was designated by the Local to serve on the Executive Committee as the AFGE representative.

In selecting Lively to fill the Area Coordinator role performed by Leonard Twinem last year, General Turnmeyer said the



Lively

campaign should continue the usual six-week format that would cover two military pay periods. The traditional kick off was scheduled for Monday, September

27, at the Rocket Auditorium.

No newcomer to Redstone fund raising activities, Lively has directed successful campaigns within the R&D Directorate several times in previous drives.

He met earlier this month for his shake down cruise with other members of the Executive Committee. He heard preliminary reports from the various chairmen and later expressed optimism for a campaign in the usual Redstone mold.

Norman and Watson, like Lively, are making their initial appearance on the Executive Committee, although each has served at the Command and Directorate level several times in the past.

Ruth Morrison served as Missile Command chairman for the past three years.

Junior E-4s . . .

Housing Outlook

WASHINGTON (ANF) — Junior E-4s and their families may get a better shot at living on-post if DA decides in favor of a proposed Army-wide housing priority policy change.

Under the proposal, E-4s with more than two years service will be placed on an equal footing with other E-4s having four or more years service. Currently, E-4s with less than four years service have a lower priority for assignment to military family housing than the senior E-4s. Soldiers on the lower priority lists have virtually no chance of ever living in post quarters, DA officials say.

Favorable comments endorsing the change have been received from major Army commands. But, according to DA officials, the final decision is not expected until this fall.

USAREUR commanders were given the go ahead by DA last year to shift their junior E-4s to higher priority positions on waiting lists. This test action caused no major problems, and according to DA officials, the shift had little effect on existing lists. However, some minor delays in filling housing requests were experienced.

This temporary policy change was tested in USAREUR because of the severe housing shortages there. If the change worked in that command, DA officials say, the problems that will crop up in other areas should be minimal.

The priority change for E-4s, tabbed by USAREUR officials as "fair and an incentive to reenlistments," will weigh heavily on the Army's final decision, DA staffers say.



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In an effort to insure continu-

ed medical services during this transitional period, the Department of Clinics has announced a number of special arrangements. Full service should be restored in August.

The Surgical Service will operate on a reduced schedule through July with most routine and elective cases being deferred until August. Emergency patients will be referred to civilian facilities until July 9 when emergency service will be available.

Patients referred to surgical

service for routine or elective surgery should leave their referral slip with the secretary for an appointment at a later date.

Full service is expected to be resumed about August 2.

The Pediatric Service will be staffed by a civilian physician during July and August. The hours of operation, Monday through Friday, are 9:30 to 11:30.

Sick call appointments may be made by dialing 876-3247 at 8 a.m. Well babies will be seen

and other appointments arranged in the afternoon from 1 to 3:30.

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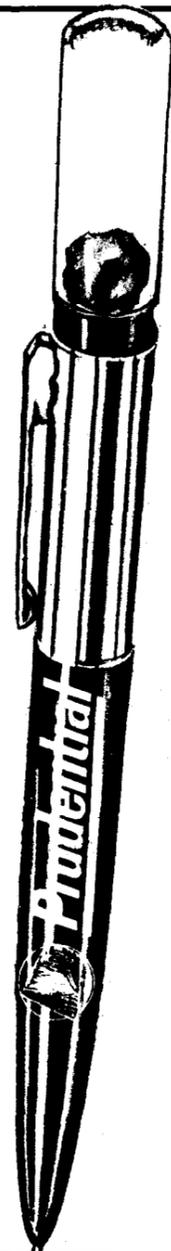
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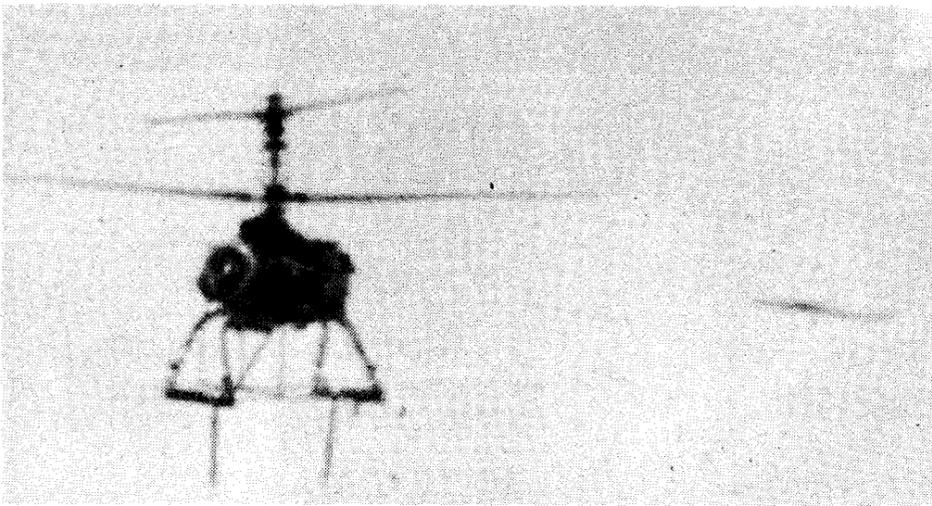
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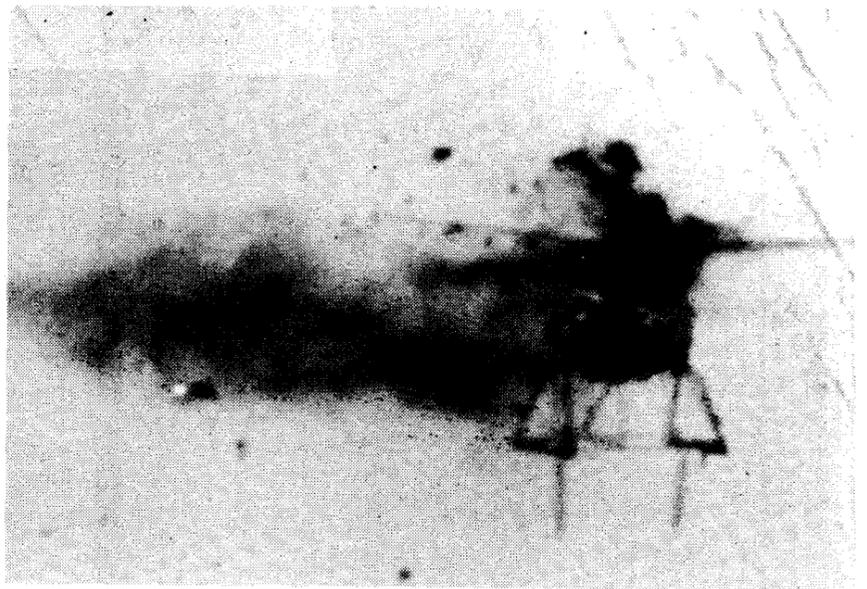
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Stinger Stings Drone Copter

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The recent firing, ninth in a series of 10 scheduled flights to demonstrate system feasibility, was conducted by the Army and Aeronutronic Ford Corp., developer of the new laser beamrider man-portable air defense system.

During the test, the gunner tracked and directed the laser guidance beam at the target with a shoulder held guidance unit. The helicopter was flying a cross-

ing course at a range of more than 2,500 meters.

It was the first gunner in the loop firing of a laser beamrider missile against a moving aerial target.

Aeronutronic Ford is conducting the Stinger Alternate program under contract to MICOM research and engineering laboratories, headed by Dr. John L. McDaniel. Program management in MICOM's Advanced Systems Concepts Office is under the Air Defense Concept Team, directed by Lt. Col. R. S. Cannon and his project manager, Robert Evans.

Analyst Files for Union Office

WASHINGTON — A supply systems analyst from the U.S. Army Missile Command last week announced her candidacy for Secretary-Treasurer of the nation's largest federal employee union.

Joanne Bloom of Madison, Al., seeks the post in the American Federation of Government Employees. The election will be held in September at the union's national convention in Las Vegas.

Bloom, who works in the 2.75 Inch Rocket Project Office, is secretary of Local 1858, AFGE, in Huntsville, one of the largest locals in the national union, and is the union's Fifth District representative on the AFGE National Women's Advisory Committee. She recently completed a term as president of the North Alabama Chapter of Federally Employed Women.

Active in AFGE for four years, Bloom is one member of a three candidate slate seeking national offices. Others are Royal Sims of Philadelphia seeking the union presidency and Virgil Miller, VP, post, and Nick Nolan, incumbent secretary, treasurer.

The second slate, headed by Ralph Fitch includes Kenneth Blaylock, Fifth Region vice president, who seeks the executive presidency and Nick Nolan, VP, post, and Nick Nolan, incumbent secretary, treasurer.

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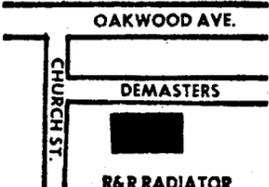
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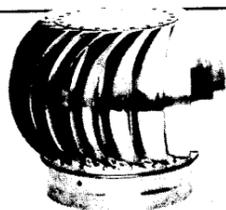
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The change was made to help relieve the administrative burden upon reserve unit commanders who furnished quarterly letters of authorization.

Qualified reservists will be authorized one day of military exchange privileges for two drills of inactive duty training. The LES indicates the number of drills attended.

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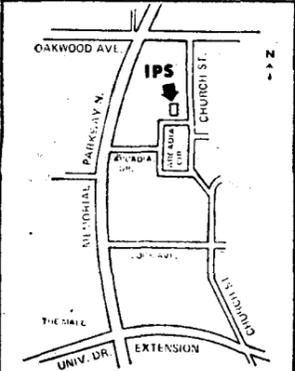
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Blue Collar Raise Granted

The Department of Defense issued a new wage schedule Wednesday granting pay raises averaging more than 19 cents an hour to approximately 1,000 federal blue collar employees at Redstone and throughout the Huntsville wage area.

The new schedule was effective June 13, 1976.

Established under the federal wage system, the new schedule applies to federal blue collar employees paid from appropriated funds who are engaged in laboring, trade, and craft occupations in the area. The pay rates in the new schedule are based on a survey of rates paid by private industry in the area, as well as prevailing rates paid by the guided missile industry in the Philadelphia, Pa., area.

Increases range from 18 to 21 cents an average of 19.66 cents or 3.9 percent.

Most of the federal workers affected in the Huntsville area are employees of Army agencies at agencies at Redstone, National Guard technicians, and those at Marshall Space Flight Center.

Rec Center Tours

Trips to Chattanooga and Birmingham are planned by the Recreation Center for July.

The first will be to Rock City in Chattanooga on July 10th the next to the Birmingham Zoo on the 17th.

Soldiers interested in making one or both trips should sign up soon at the center.

Soldiers' state income taxes have drawn increasing attention recently with some states pressuring the federal government to help them collect taxes from soldiers who are legal residents of that state but assigned in another state. Some estimates indicate that as many as half of the soldiers do not pay state taxes where required.

Tax Hold Back Appears Likely

If mandatory withholding measure is passed, then the taxes for the soldier's home state will be withheld and sent to that state. A soldier's legal residence is that indicated on the W-4 form in his finance records.

DoD has opposed any mandatory withholding because of the expense involved to set up the system. About \$6 million would be required

to set up such a withholding system and \$1.7 million to operate it annually.

It appears that some measure will be implemented—either voluntary or mandatory—which will mean more taxes coming out of soldiers' pay.

Before that action, soldiers should make sure the legal residence in their finance records is up-to-date.

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Upon meeting certain state residency and length of service requirements, Vietnam era

veterans may receive bonuses up to a maximum of \$500, and survivors, \$1,000. Any payment will be doubled if the bonus is taken as educational assistance by the veteran.

Veterans and next of kin who have any questions about

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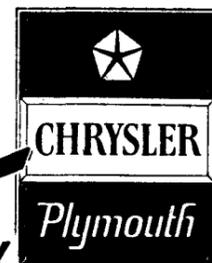
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Since June 1, troops have been collecting the difference between the actual cost of their self-move and 75 percent of what a commercial mover would have charged to haul the same household goods.

Soldiers will know about how much they stand to make before they depart, DA officials say. The transportation officer will make an initial estimate of savings.

The plan works like this. Suppose that your household goods shipment would cost the Army \$1,000 to move commercially. The 75 per cent rule limits the self-move cost to \$750. But the actual move ends up costing \$600—so you're \$150 ahead.

When you have unloaded at your new duty station, file a claim with the local finance and accounting office. You get the \$150 savings and the government still saves money too.

Army officials caution that the initial estimate of savings is not always the same amount that will be received. The money paid at the destination, according to DA officials, will be based on the actual weight of the shipment when it arrives. This weight will be shown on certified weight tickets obtained by the soldier at weight stations. Don't lose them because, DA officials say, without these the Army will only pay the rental vehicle invoice.

Under the self-moving option, a soldier can use rental trucks or trailers to move household goods locally or cross-country to the next duty station at government expense rather than have a commercial carrier do it. The basics of the program are that the move is made voluntarily and that it must be cheaper than if the government had the goods moved by commercial means.

Soldiers get no cash if the move costs more than 75 per cent of what the commercial costs would have been. And DA officials caution that the soldier must pay the difference above the 75 per cent figure to the Army. This sometimes happens when a soldier exceeds his weight allowance.

Troops need not worry themselves about lack of funds for gas or tolls. The truck or trailer rental contractor, upon request, figures the best route, travel time and advances enough cash to cover operating expenses.

The voluntary "move-it-yourself" program, DA officials say, has been very successful since the program was expanded CONUS-wide in January. Passing on some of the savings to soldiers is an added incentive to use the program.

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E9 Board

September date set

An E-9 Promotion Board will start work in early September at the Enlisted Records and Evaluation Center, Ft. Harrison, Ind. Primary zone will include all E-8s with DOR of July 31, 1972 or earlier. Secondary zone will be from Aug. 1, 1972 to Jan. 31, 1974, inclusive.

Eligibility criteria also require a high school diploma or GED equivalent, a basic enlisted service date (BESD) of Nov. 1, 1966 or earlier, and otherwise be eligible

according to paragraphs 7-6N and 7-37 of AR 600-200.

All E-8s who will have completed 30 years of active duty by Dec. 31, 1977 will also be included in the primary zone if they meet the other promotion criteria. This exception gives every E-8 at least one crack at making E-9.

The Board will also take a look at all E-8s in the primary and secondary zone who do not meet the education requirements for

promotion. This screening will be for possible QMP action.

Soldiers in the SZ with an ETS before the end of Feb. 77 will not be able to reenlist until results are announced. These soldiers will, for the first time, be screened for QMP. These individuals may extend to meet tour length requirements on new assignments. If their ETS comes prior to Jan. 77, they can extend until Dec. 31, 1977. This restriction is expected to be lifted near the end of this year.



CHAMPUS Consolidates In 3 States

On May 15, Health Application Systems, Inc., began processing all claims for outpatient, inpatient, and dental care received in Arizona, Nevada, and New Mexico by beneficiaries of the Civilian Health and Medical Program of the Uniformed Services (CHAMPUS).

According to Defense Department officials, all CHAMPUS claims submitted after May 15 for care received in these three states should be sent to the new contractor, even if the care was received before that date.

Defense Department officials estimate that this

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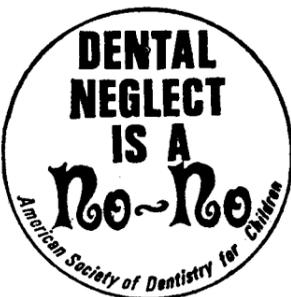
Handwriting—There will be a manuscript class and cursive class. These classes include letter forms for upper and lower case letters, spacing, connecting letters (in cursive) and paper organization. Classes are held one hour each Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Classes are limited to ten students.

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There was much to look backward to with pride as the group heard recounted the many accomplishments of Hawk's storied past. But there was much to look forward to with hope as the optimistic note was sounded that Hawk's future looks equally promising for the next 15 to 20 years.

Major General George E. Turnmeyer, Commander of the Missile Command; Eric Levi, Program Manager of Raytheon's Tactical Ground Defense Systems; John Robins, Hawk Deputy Project Manager; and J.D. Kirkland, Chief of the Hawk System Engineering Division, struck a recurring theme in brief remarks commemorating the occasion.

"The outstanding Army-industry team has made Hawk what it is . . . and will keep Hawk alive for many years to come."

For a system to be alive, and thriving after 20 years, is an accomplishment in itself, was the consensus.

"The real credit goes to you," the crowd was told, "and Hawk is a tribute to the men and women, soldiers and civilians, who have made, and are making, the program go."

"Hawk has evolved into something of major importance to this command, the Army, the United States, and indeed, the Free World," General Turnmeyer said.

"Foreign military sales have made Hawk the Army's leading system in terms of dollar volume, and certainly

among the leaders of all U.S. hardware in terms of foreign sales and numbers of overseas users."

Turnmeyer said that Hawk will continue to play an important role here following the reorganization.

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"I congratulate all members of the Hawk team, past and present."

Among special guests attending the observance, held in the cafeteria of Bldg. 4488, were Maj. Gen. Edwin I. Donley (USA Ret.), past MICOM Commander; Maj. Gen. John Barclay (USA Ret.) and Brig. Gen., George H. McBride (USA Ret.) past MICOM Deputy Commanders.

Former Hawk Office Chiefs-Project Managers included Edward L. Smock; Lt. Col. James Hilborn (USA Ret.); Col. Harry Murray (USA Ret.); Col. John R.M. Covert (USA Ret.); and Col. Harry Buzzett (USA Ret.).

Robins presented 20-year certificates to eight men who have worked continuously with the Hawk program since June 22, 1956. The eight are:

J.D. Kirkland, Clayton Morgan, Thomas Stramiello, James Ams and Sidney Gantman, all of MICOM; Eric Levi and John Shanley, his deputy, of Raytheon; and Robert Philbrick, Hawk program manager for Northrop.

Robins pointed out that Raytheon has approximately 500 people who have been with Hawk for the entire 20 years.

The four-tiered anniversary cake served to the Hawk team and guests was prepared by Mrs. Gardenia Lara, whose husband Marcelo is Chief of the Hawk International Programs Office.



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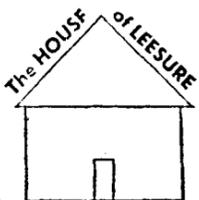
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"We Wanted to Change Our Philosophy"

The following article, reprinted from the current issue of "Soldiers," the Army's official magazine, is a rare interview with General John Deane, DARCOM commander.

Deane discussed DARCOM's new way of doing business with SFC Floyd Harrington. We are reprinting it as a matter of interest to all MICOM personnel.

Q. Why was the name of the command changed?

DEANE: We wanted to change our philosophy of how we do business and also change the attitude of the people in the command. We wanted to emphasize that readiness is a part of our business.

We have a very definite responsibility for the combat readiness of the Army so we have to get out and do something about it. The renaming of the command was designed to point out this philosophy - to indicate there is change going on now change that will continue to go on. We're not going to do business as we have in the past.

Q. You say that DARCOM is an equal partner in combat readiness. What do you mean by this?

DEANE: Combat readiness, as I see it, consists of several elements. One element is training—a U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command (TRADOC) responsibility, as far as individuals are concerned, a U.S. Army Forces Command (FORSCOM) or other major commands, as far as units are concerned. TRADOC also develops doctrine and tactics, which are other elements of readiness.

Then there's the responsibility of designing and supporting the materiel so it operates in the field. A soldier whose rifle doesn't shoot isn't a very effective soldier.

That's our business—to make sure those things work, to design them so they'll work, to get the repair parts out to the people can repair them. If we don't, the Army can't operate in the field. If each of the commands I have mentioned, including DARCOM, does not carry out its responsibility, the Army simply cannot do its job. Therefore, I say we are all partners, equal partners in combat readiness.

Q. What was the Army Materiel Acquisition Review Committee (AMARC)? Who were they and why were they called in?

DEANE: There was a lot of criticism of how we acquired new materiel—from research and development on through to the way we actually procured it. Our leading critic was the then Secretary of Defense James Schlesinger.

So we called together a group of people, most of whom were high-level businessmen with a variety of backgrounds in research, development, testing and production. We had them look at our total acquisition process from concepts on through development. They made recommendations as to how we could be more efficient. Most of them made sense to us, so we adopted them.

Q. You stated in a recent interview that the majority of 71 recommendations were implemented. Was DARCOM (AMC at the time) doing that much wrong?

DEANE: I wouldn't necessarily say we were doing things wrong. Obviously, some things weren't being done well. Others were being done poorly but these people looked at us and said, "We think you could do it better if you did it this way."

The major emphasis by those people was on the way we were organized. Our commodity commands had the responsibility for materiel readiness in the field, plus research and development.

The materiel readiness problem was a current day-to-day problem, with field commanders screaming, "My tank doesn't work. We need repair parts!" The top managers of the commodity commands were placing much of their emphasis on materiel readiness. They

weren't playing equivalent attention to research and development (R&D).

It was the finding of the committee that R&D wasn't getting the emphasis it needed and should therefore be separated from materiel readiness.

Q. DRACOM has some 124,000 employees including a headquarters of more than 1,500. Why is such a large number of employees needed?

DEANE: Because of the amount of business we do. Take a look at Sears Roebuck. They handle about 60,000 items. We handle about 300,000. If you look at our assets we're bigger than any of Fortune's top 500 corporations. If you look at cash flow, we're in the top ten or so.

DARCOM's a big organization, spread over a lot of places. Take tank operations, for instance. Chrysler builds tanks for us assembling them from new parts. But we have a place that does twice the job that Chrysler does. Our people at the Anniston Army Depot in Alabama take old beat up tanks, tear them apart and then rebuild them. It's a bigger operation than at Chrysler plus Anniston does it on several different vehicles. (See "Better than New," November '75 SOLDIERS.) We also rebuild all our helicopters. It takes a lot of people to do everything we do.

Q. Over the past 33 years you've held battalion, battle group, brigade and division command. You've also held key R&D assignments. Do you think of yourself as a troop commander in the key R&D position or an R&D man with troop experience?

DEANE: If you had asked me this question some time ago, I'd probably have said I was a troop commander with R&D experience. But now, I don't command troops in the sense a division commander does. As is the case for all of the top commanders in the Army, we're more in the general management business. It doesn't really matter whether you're managing training, R&D or whatever. I happen to have an R&D background.

Our major emphasis here is finding out what the soldier in the field needs, what's wrong with the equipment we put out there and getting it improved so he's capable of fighting. Having been a company and battalion commander, I think I have some appreciation for what the tactical soldier faces.

Q. Your goal is a smaller, harder hitting headquarters. Can a military organization, not profit-oriented, really function under decentralized corporate-type management?

DEANE: I believe it can. I don't want a lot of decisions made at this headquarters which should be made by the commands in the field.

Corporations don't make decisions. A major corporation might give one of its subordinate companies a mission to perform. It's up to the president of that company to perform that mission.

I want to give a mission to these major generals who head my major commands and then expect them to perform it. That's what I mean by the corporate type. A guy who gets to be a general ought to be able to function pretty well. That's what I want them to do.

Q. To many soldiers your command appears to be technically oriented and far removed from their everyday activities. How does DARCOM affect the soldier in doing his job?

DEANE: We have a lot of field maintenance technicians. We also have logistics assistance officers out there trying to find out what the soldier's problems are. When they find problems we correct them. That means the soldier's equipment is operating better.

For example, 6 or 8 months ago I received a comment from the commander of a unit at Fort Bliss, Tex. He said the clothing used by his armored cavalry unit was just too hot when worn in the desert in the middle of the day and too cold at night. (See "Desert Lab," May '76 SOLDIERS.)

I sent some clothing experts down there and told them I didn't want them to go out there and just visit with the troops during supper time. I didn't want them to come back to the base camp at night, but to stay out in the field for a week. Then they'll get some appreciation for what these soldiers face.

I don't know if we can solve that problem, but at least the experts will get a better feel for the kind of clothing to develop.

Q. Along that same line, is there any kind of suggestion program that allows soldiers to recommend modifications to existing equipment or ideas for new equipment?

DEANE: We have an Equipment Improvement Report (EIR). The soldier can write in and say something like, "I f the magazine had 40 bullets instead of 20 it wouldn't be much bigger, but it would be more effective..." and give us some ideas on how to do it. We look at these reports, evaluate them and then send an answer back.

I don't think the answers we give these soldiers have always been very good. So we've tightened up. They don't just get a "bed bug" letter back; they get a pretty solid answer. Because the people who write the answers know I am checking them in the field.

I also want to look into the possible simplification of the form so the average soldier doesn't have to know a lot of technical data to fill it out. If we change the form maybe we'll get some new and better ideas from the field.

Q. You're on the road a great deal. Why do you spend so much time at subordinate elements of DARCOM and line outfits?

DEANE: I want to find out how we are supporting the soldier in the field. The only way I can find out is to go out and check—to talk to people.

Then, too, they've got problems. By going to them I can see the problem firsthand and do something about it. If I see they're not doing something efficiently I can suggest changes that might improve their operation. Or, if they're doing something that I think should be done elsewhere within the command—or not at all because it's not worth the money—I can make those changes. It's like commanding a regiment. If you don't get out and see what the troops are doing, you won't have a very good operating organization.

Q. Would you explain the general areas of responsibility of your two major subordinate commands—R&D and Materiel Readiness?

DEANE: First I'd like to make it clear that we don't have two subordinate commands. There's only one command and that's DARCOM.

When you get down to the level below DARCOM, we're now in the process of splitting what used to be single commands, like Missile Command.

As a result of the AMARC recommendations there will be the Missile Materiel Readiness Command on one hand and the Missile Research and Development Command on the other.

But at this level there's one command. I have two deputies. Lieutenant General Eugene D'Ambrosio looks at materiel readiness and Lieutenant General George Sammet focuses on materiel development. However, they're not two separate commands.

Q. How do you find out what our units in the field need?

DEANE: Fundamentally their requirements are the responsibility of the Training and Doctrine Command. TRADOC's supposed to say what's required in terms of materiel.

But it's not quite as simple as that. If we see an opportunity—because of our knowledge of what's happening in the technical field—to build a better truck, tank or rifle, we go to TRADOC and tell them we could make a better rifle. They look at how much better it could be and if it's worth developing. If it is then they

write a requirement for it and send it to us saying, "Yes, we want that." It's a process that goes back and forth between TRADOC and DARCOM.

Q. From an R&D standpoint, are we looking at what an Army of the 1980s will need, or making what we have on hand work in the 70s?

DEANE: We're looking at both. Any new development will probably not be fielded in less than 7 years and more likely 8 to 10 years. The advance attack helicopter won't be fielded until the end of this decade.

On the other hand, we're working on product improvements, either to make things we already have work better, or to give them new capabilities. An example of that is the M60 tank.

We went from the M60 to the M60-A3 with the new stabilization fire control system and range-finders. We've increased the capabilities of the "Hueys." We started out with the A models, then went to the B, D and H models. Now we're upgrading power packages.

Q. I understand the Air Force has a "fly before you buy" philosophy for future aircraft procurement. Does DARCOM have a similar approach?

DEANE: The "fly before you buy" is not peculiar to the Air Force. It was a phrase coined by former Deputy Secretary of Defense David Packard. It simply means to be sure your development is complete and the system works before you start buying it. Sure, we do.

Q. Couldn't we save money by accelerating our procurement process once contracts are awarded?

DEANE: Yes, if you had all the money you wanted, then certainly anything that you need that industry is capable of producing would be cheaper to buy this year than next.

The problem has been that we don't have all the money we would like or else industry can't produce what we need quickly enough.

We're short of tanks and are trying to increase the production by 500 percent. But even then it's going to take a long time to get all the tanks we need.

Sometimes it's a case of not having the money. Sometimes it's a case of industry just not being able to produce faster. But if everything was available and you had the money it would be a lot cheaper to buy this year than some this year, next year and the next.

Q. What is Project Hand-off?

DEANE: It's something like the warranty you get on your car. If something breaks within the first 90 days you go back to your dealer who replaces the part. We do the same thing.

An example is the M60A2 tank that is just being introduced in Europe. We put a team over there from the project manager's office. They deprocess those tanks when they arrive in Europe, test them to make sure they run and then turn them over to the unit.

The unit runs them around in their training area for about a month and those things that break down we fix. We make sure these tanks are shaken down and are ready to go by the time the troops take possession.

It's been very well accepted in the field and it's done something for us. It costs us more money than it used to, because the guy in the field used to pay for repair parts. But now he's happy, he has more confidence in the equipment and it's established a better relationship between our command and theirs.

Project Hand-off also gives our people the feeling that we are responsible for materiel readiness. And that's what I want.



Abbreviations anyone?

Many are confused over the transition to new names during the current DARCOM reorganization. So, here is the approved list of names and short titles. Current titles will continue in use until general orders announcing the redesignations are published. To date, general orders have been published for those commands marked by an asterisk.

PRESENT	REDESIGNATION	SHORT TITLE
AVSCOM	USA Aviation R&D Command	AVRADCOM
TROSCOM	USA Troop Support & Aviation Materiel	TSARCOM
AVSCOM	Readiness Command	
MICOM	USA Missile R&D Command, and USA Missile Materiel Readiness Command	MIRADCOM MIRCOM
TACOM	USA Tank Automotive R&D Command, and USA Tank-Automotive Materiel Readiness Command	TARADCOM TARCOM
ECOM	USA Communications R&D Command, and USA Electronics R&D Command, and USA Communications & Electronics Materiel Readiness Command	CORADCOM ERADCOM
NATICK	USA Natick R&D Command*	CERCOM NARADCOM
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M/Sgt Mikail Brown who has coached the club members for the past two years developed the special training program. The youth, age 10 through 18, have been spending two hours per day in special exercises, hoping to better compete at the July 23 meet.

There are about 50 youth in the Arsenal's Dependent Youth Activities Judo program.

October Raise Still At 5%

WASHINGTON (ANF) — Pay raises for soldiers and DA civilians in October probably will be between 3 and 5 percent, according to DA officials. The 5 per cent cap was recommended by President Ford in his FY 77 budget; he recently reaffirmed his recommendation. Congress has given the nod to a 5 per cent limit.

The pay raise again is expected to be distributed among the three elements of regular military compensation (RMC)—basic allowance for subsistence (BAS) and basic pay.

Current legislation calls for equal distribution of future pay increases among the RMC elements, according to DA officials.

However, the administration wants to amend the distribution process. The amendment, which is now before Congress, suggests that a quarter of the raise money now allocated for basic pay—a taxable item—be added to the BAQ element—which is nontaxable.

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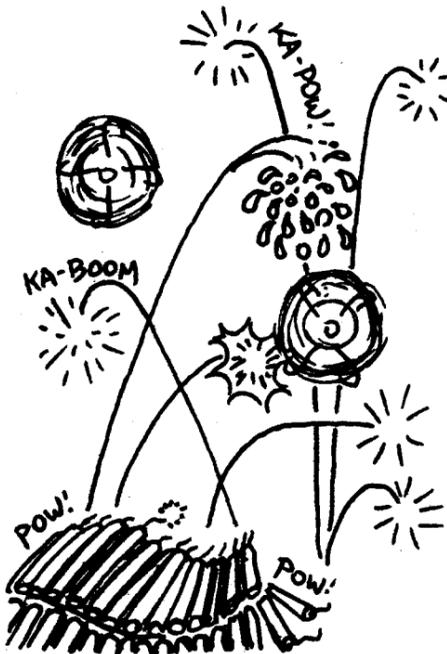
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Once there was a holiday when bands played, parades marched, knots were stomped out in hoe downs, and the picnic basket was raided—all capped off by the giant display of fireworks. This year such July Fourth celebrations are making a comeback.

Several events are scheduled in the local area, beginning on Friday. The Redstone Color Guard dressed in colonial uniforms will participate in the Huntsville Fourth program and in Decatur Spirit of America Festival on Saturday. The Redstone Firing Squad will participate in ceremonies at Gurley.

Fourth activities in the immediate

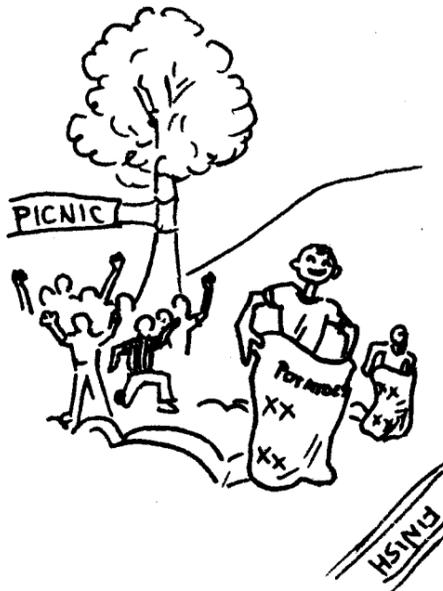


area will start with Friday's Bicentennial Parade, sponsored by the Huntsville Jaycees and the Huntsville-Madison County Chamber of Commerce. The parade theme is America from 1776. It will feature many antique items pertinent to the nation's and area's history. It begins at 7:30 p.m. at the corner of Williams and Lowe.

Guntersville will begin celebration on Friday at 8 p.m. with the musical 1776 to be presented in the Guntersville High School auditorium. Following, a free street dance will occur by the river on Blount Avenue with music by a blue grass band and a country and rock band.

The next day activities will begin with a beard judging at 8 a.m. in front of the Municipal Building. Immediately after, \$200 will be presented for winners in the fishing rodeo. At 9 in the city center a Bicentennial Parade will move through accentuated by a military helicopter flyover. At 10 a barbecue will begin and will be followed by contests in ball games, horse shoe pitching and tennis—all running until 6 p.m. At 3 p.m. boats will parade the lake around the city. The musical 1776 will be presented the second time at 8 p.m. The day will be concluded by fireworks shot by the Yacht Club from a barge in the lake.

Also on the second, 10 a.m. ceremonies at Picknick Dam begin a three-day Bicentennial Festival. The first day features a stage show depicting the 200 years of history in the area, and arrival of flat bottom boats



10. Throughout the day fair type events including fun as sack races for the children will be booths to view at noon. The day ends with dusk.

Decatur's Spirit Festival, is a July 3 Mallard. Flag ceremony at 9. Contests running the day include archery, eating, arm wrestling, pitching. Parachutists times. For the children parade, bicycle parade show. The military enlistment program program of veteran re

Huntsville has determined evening program 7 Saturday in Milton. The two-hour program patriotic events and Participants include the Regiment, Huntsville Lee High ROTC, S Preservation and En Barber Shop Quarter America, and an art program concludes fireworks display be nine.

In Athens Trade Day Fourth activities fireworks display there occur at Athens Plaza will be a Bicentennial Court House Square 1 a.m. Arts and crafts will there will be a firing of

which were used on the rivers on the area.

On Saturday the activities include picking and singing by local groups and the stage show. Festivities conclude at 10 with fireworks over the lake.

The third day, wagon trains will be in the area, and a tribe of Choctaw Indians will present tribal dances and Indian games. Throughout the event there will be displays of arts and crafts in county fair arrangement, as well as the stage show and more picking and singing.

Activities in Gurley, to occur on July 3, open at 9:45 a.m. with flag raising ceremonies to be followed by parade at

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Bicentennial cake will be cut.

Elkmont will have a big barbecue at noon on the third, culminating a morning of ball games. At 7 that evening, horse show will climax the day's activities.

Cullman festivities on Monday begin at 2 with an old fashioned picnic. There will be a variety of participation events such as sack racing. Events in the High School Football stadium will be completed with an 8 p.m. fireworks display.

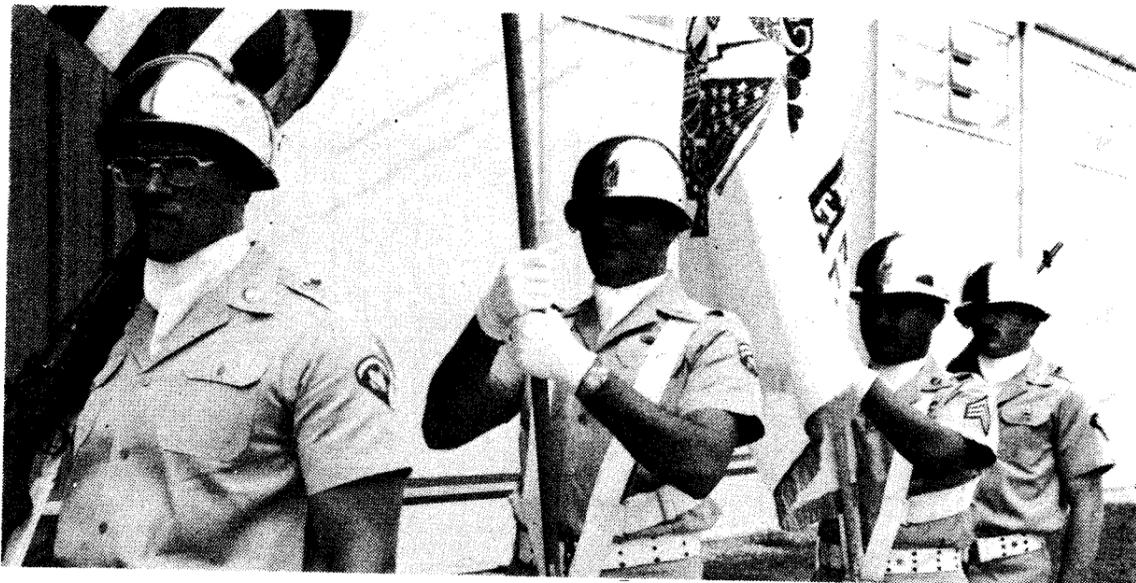
A special outdoor Mass will be said on the Fourth at 10 a.m. at Sacred Heart Church. Also on the Fourth the Cullman County Championship Horseshoe Pitching Contest will be held at Smith Lake Park.

Ft. Payne will have events on Saturday in two locations following a Bicentennial parade. In City Park will be gospel singing, awards for best Bicentennial costumes, music of bygone days by Senior Citizens, country music and square dancing in the street.

At Williams Park, beginning at 10 a.m., there will be a band concert, horse shoe pitching, and a parachute drop. The day will be completed with a fireworks display shot from the mountain.

Florence has a band concert scheduled for Sunday in McFarland Park at sundown. A huge fireworks display follows.

First Monday in Scottsboro will occur as usual, but with the special holiday theme.



Honor Guard

Old Hand at Bicentennial Parades, Events

Nine soldiers at Redstone know the meaning of the term bicentennial as few others do. They are the group from which the color guard is formed, and they have been present at most of the community bicentennial ceremonies.

In most civilian ceremonies they have dutifully donned the colorful colonial uniforms for participation in the patriotic and commemorative events. Such activities have included visits to schools—usually to raise the flag which has been obtained for bicentennial use there.

Sp6 Kenneth Grantham, senior member of the group, said that the audience reaction is about the same when the color guard marches in the colonial uniforms as it is when the guard is dressed in present day uniforms. People usually collect around the soldiers when the ceremony is completed to comment on the old uniform.

SGT Wade Alvarado, Sp4 Roy Carroll, and Sp4 Annie Skimehorne have been serving as color guards since the colonial uniforms were put into use last year. Bicentennial events in which they participated have averaged about two per month since then. Normally four men are sent to each event. They usually raise or post the colors at the beginning of the ceremony.

Other members of the group of nine from which the guard units are formed include Sp6 Earl Albers, Sp5 Bart Jalowski, Sp5 Gilbert Vaught, Sp4 James Henderson, and Pvt2 Charles Neal.



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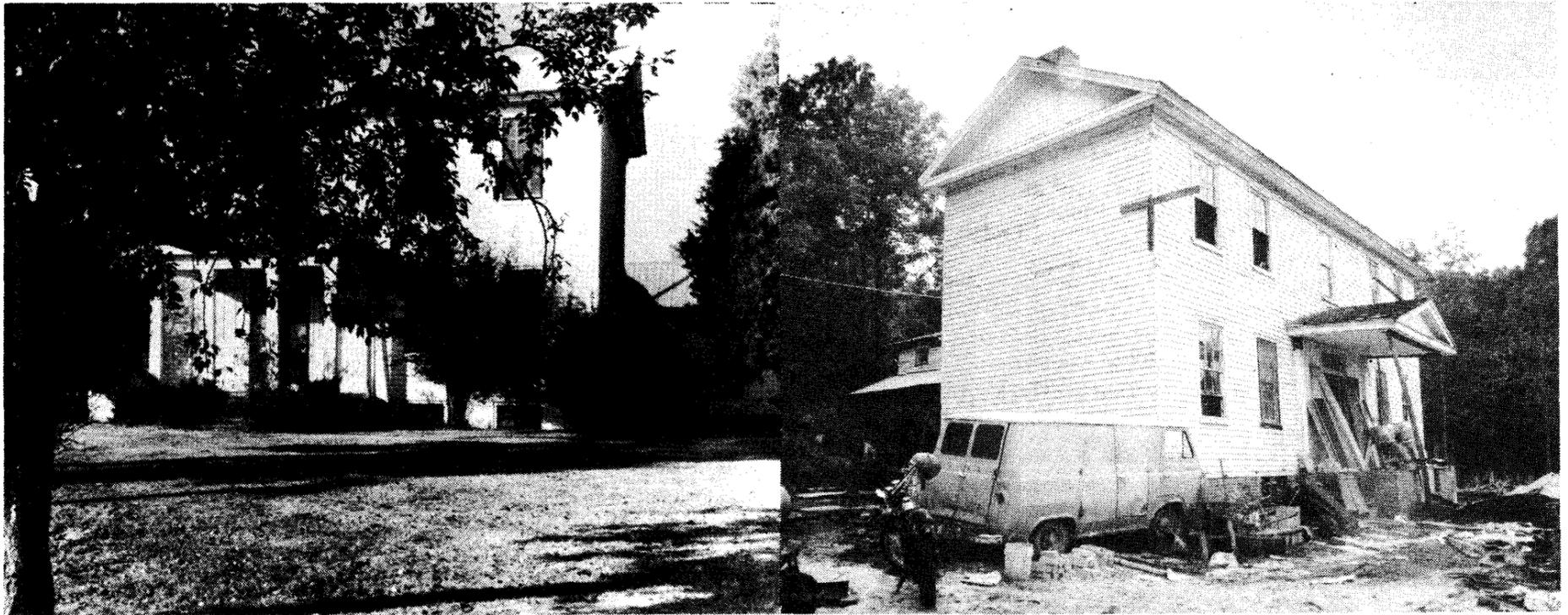
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Lee Home Lives Again at New Location

Three years ago Redstone Arsenal's historic Lee Mansion was sold to Surplus, Inc. of Arab, who agreed to remove the old home from the post within twelve months.

When the announcement of the sale was made, many preservationists as well as old home buffs were worried about the fate of the Lee home.

Well, worry no more . . . The old plantation home is sitting comfortably in the countryside of Madison County, half restored to its former splendor.

Shortly after Surplus, Inc. purchased the historic home along with 17 other buildings on post, Tyler Darwin, former Lee neighbor bought the home.

According to Darwin, he bought the house because "I've known it all my life and I didn't want to see it torn down. My great grandparents came here in the early 1800's from Virginia and lived down the road from the old Lee home. My great grandmother Woodard was buried in the family cemetery in 1850; it's located near what's known now at McKinley Range . . . That house has a lot of good boyhood memories for me."

Historically, the Lee mansion dates back to 1818 when the first two rooms of the

mansion were built by James Cooper on the quarter section of land known as Pond Beat. Cooper and his bride, Charity lived in the original two room brick house until his death in 1834. According to local accounts, Cooper committed suicide by placing an iron pot on his head and walking into the Tennessee River.

In 1840 Charity married Colonel Huston H. Lee, a neighbor and they enlarged the house to a grander homestead. Four large rooms 20 by 20 feet with 14 foot ceilings were built in a two story section to form the front part of the house. A large winding staircase was built in the center hall by a traveling carpenter believed by some local historians to have built the stairway in the Hermitage.

The Lees also added a four room section of a story and a half to the back of the house along with a covered brick walkway made of trapezoid hand-shaped bricks.

Huston Lee died in October 1853 leaving the bulk of his estate to Charity, but the Civil War and the inflationary economy ruined Charity financially.

She sold the property to James and Francis Fennel for \$7,745.98 at a sheriff's sale in 1867.

The house changed hands numerous times before the Army bought it from Sam

Harris in 1941. Military families lived in the house until it was sold again in the Spring of 73.

Tyler Darwin, the present owner, started tearing down the chimneys on the old home in December of 73 and began moving the house shortly after. "It seemed like it rained all the time when we moved the first part of the house . . . The boys down at the firehall didn't think I would be able to do it. I was kind of worried myself when we were getting ready to put the house back together, but after I gave the signal to lower the top part of the house onto the bottom story, it just dropped in place like it was suppose to."

The house was moved in a piecemeal fashion. The bottom story was moved first followed by the second story, roof and the back one-story and a half. Darwin didn't move the original two brick rooms to Madison, although he has used some of the building material from the 1818 home.

Darwin is a cabinetmaker by trade and has done most of the restoring carpentry. The back part of the house has been finished on the interior and the Darwin family is already living in it.

Darwin raised the back story from its original one and a half stories to two

stories to provide more space for the upstairs rooms. Two bedrooms and a sitting room are complete upstairs with a kitchen and family room downstairs.

The kitchen is equipped with all of the modern conveniences but still has the original floors, fireplace, staircase and other structural members. A door from the 1818 home connects the kitchen to the walkway paved with handmade bricks from the 1850 addition.

Although Darwin planned to rebuild the old Lee cellar, he changed his mind midway in the moving operation. However, the house has been restored as much as possible to its former splendor.

Darwin is presently working on the interior of the two story front portion of the home. He has completely insulated the walls and replaced the old fiberboard. The famous winding stairway has presented somewhat of a problem because portions of the railway were stolen before the house was moved.

After Darwin completes the interior of the home he plans to restore and paint the exterior. For the time being he is letting the elements help him in the task of stripping some of the old paint from the cedar boards.



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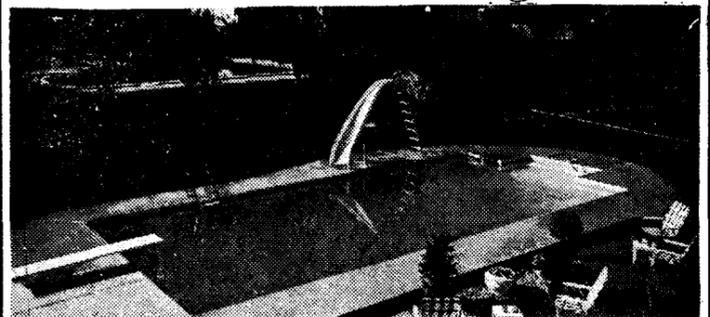
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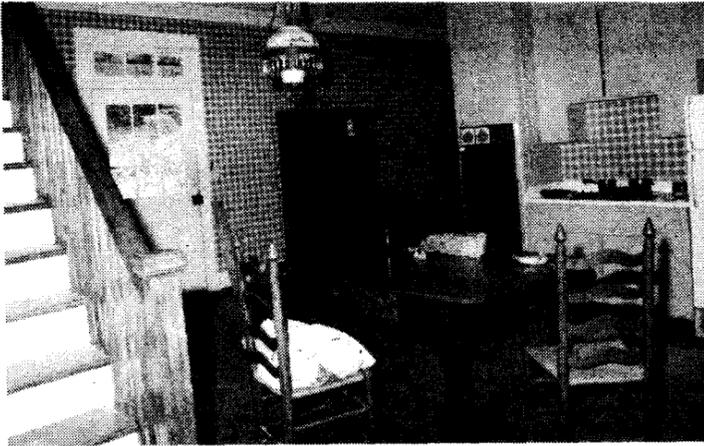
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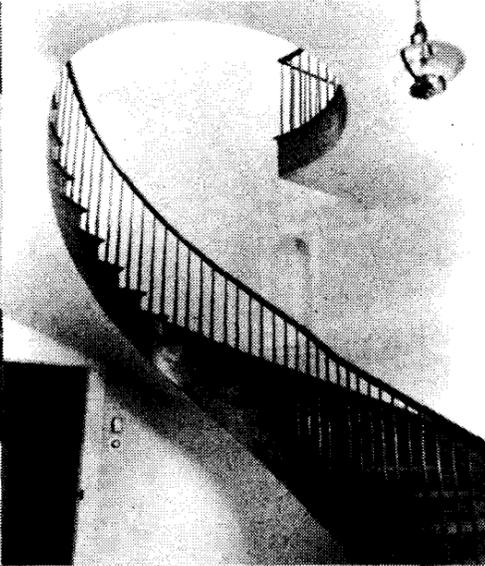
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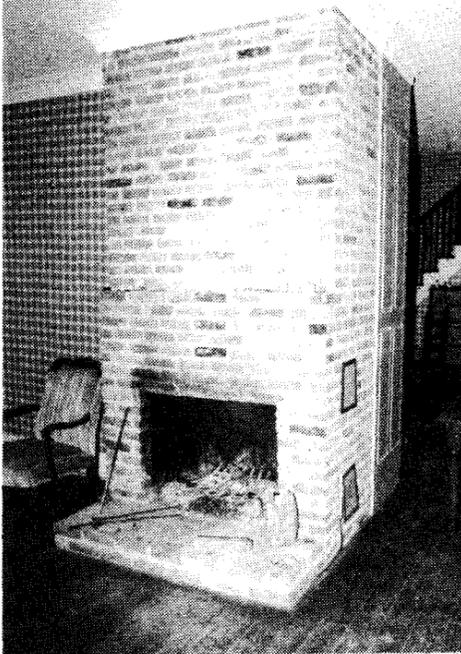
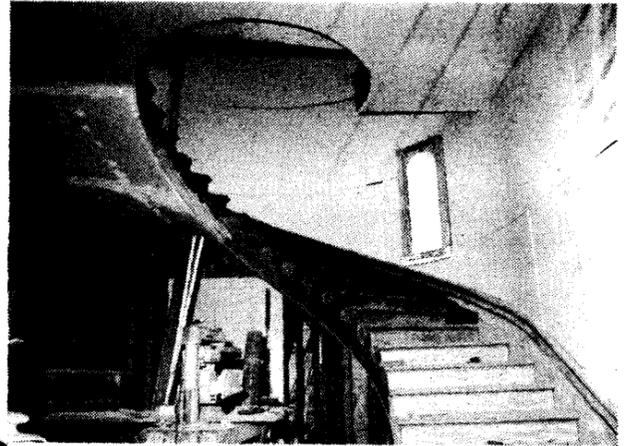
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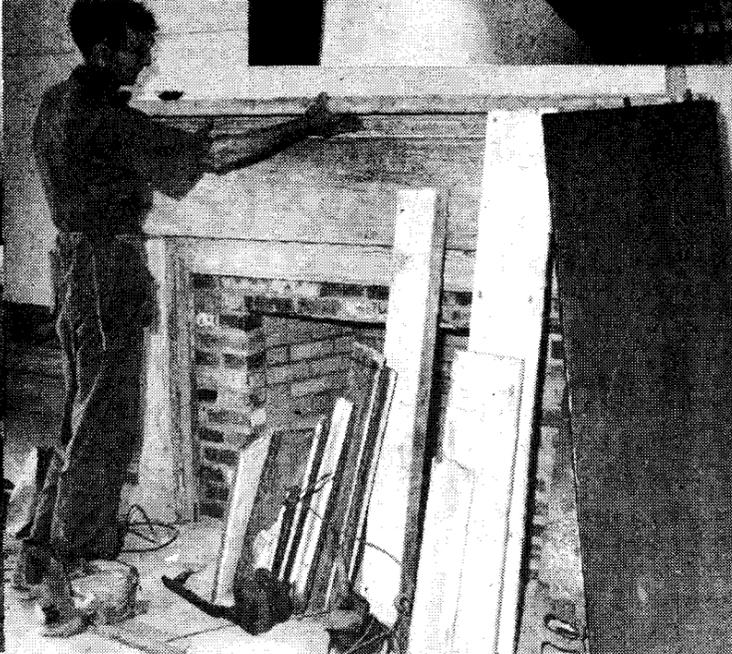
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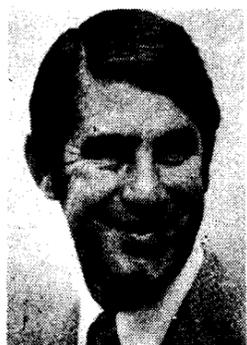
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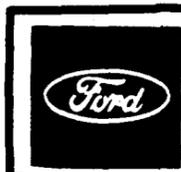
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The directive broadens the scope of DoD's equal opportunity program to embrace all Defense programs and activities—not just those dealing with equal employment opportunity.

For the first time, military departments and Defense agencies must submit an annual report to the Secretary of Defense detailing progress in achieving affirmative action goals.

The directive additionally reemphasized DoD policy to:

—Require DoD contractors to comply with equal opportunity.

—Insure that all on-base activities and any off-base activities offered or available to DoD personnel are open, as appropriate, to all DoD personnel regardless of race, color, religion, sex, age or national origin.

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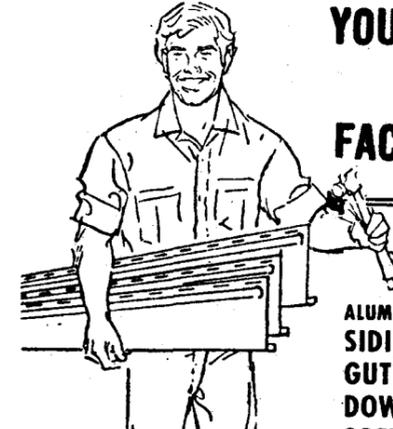
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Unbeaten Ranks Due for Thinning

By RALPH SANTALIZ

In one of the most balanced intramural leagues in many years, four teams remain undefeated after three weeks of play.

The 6th Sc took a half game advantage with 6-0 record in the Eastern conference over Meddac after picking up two wins while the weather cut short Meddac's week.

In the Western conference B Company held on to its half game advantage over the 291st MP's after both teams swept their two games.

Monday

All of Monday nights action was rained out after a heavy down pour in mid afternoon made all the fields unplayable.

Tuesday

B Company routed the 8th Sc, 20-10; 6th Sc overwhelmed the GAF, 19-1; A Company edged the 4th Sc, 7-6; and the 5th Sc upset the Marines, 19-8.

B Company jumped on the 8th Sc in the top of the first inning with four runs but the 8th came back strong to tie it in the bottom half after slugging six base hits. But the leaders failed to get shook as they came back in the second to score six more runs and on their way to an easy victory. B Company was led by Nick Brandon, Bill Nichols, and Lester Noble who slugged three hits while Steve Thorne led the 8th Sc with three safeties.

The 6th Sc continued their dominance by routing the vastly improved GAF in just five innings. The Students were led by Roger Hill with three consecutive homeruns and Joe Jones with one four-bagger. Bob Sullins allowed the Germans only two singles by Buschdorf and Fisher.

In the closest game of the night A company scored two runs in the bottom of the seventh inning to win the game after consecutive doubles by Murdock Maciver and Roger Henley and Gary Schanz's single. The Students took the lead 6-5 in the top of the 5th inning after a single by Harry Evans and a triple by Mike Chandler. But A Co made it look easy in the seventh for its 7-6 win.

The 5th Sc led by R. Collier and F. Davis completely overwhelmed the leathernecks as they scored in every inning. Collier blasted three doubles and Davis contributed a homer and two singles. The leathernecks were led by E. L. Hodges who hit safely three times.

Wednesday

291st Mp's edged the 7th Sc 6-5; C Co thumped the GAF, 14-2; 4th Sc slipped by the 95th Sc Co, 12-8; and the 8th Sc romped the Marines, 18-6.

The 291st scored two runs in the first inning after a walk to Steve Donnelly followed by singles by Bob Cooke and Robert Hollowell and then a double by veteran Gary Jerald. The MP's held off the 7th Sc till their final bats when they made a comeback by scoring four runs. Consecutive singles by Derrick Jones, Tom Tucker, Julio Joubert and Phil Easterly enabled the students to make it a close game. But winning pitcher Whitley Malory snuffed all students chances by striking out the final student batter.

The GAF kept it close with C Co for three innings but their inexperience finally caught up with them. In the final two innings Charlie broke it wide open as they scored ten runs.

The permanent party was led by Tony Difiore who blasted a double and a homer and John Morris and Dave Cowan with two hits apiece. Buschdorf and Adelech blasted singles after two C Co errors to drive in the only scores for the Germans.

The 4th Sc evened their record for the week by scoring five runs in the bottom of the sixth inning. The students were led by Merv Van who slugged four hits including a homer and Mike Chandler who hit three safeties to include a homer.

The 95th were led by Paul Goins with a homer, triple, and a double and Roger Beaver with three singles which enabled the Calibration team to take the lead 6-4. But the 95th could not hold on for its second win as the 4th batted around in the sixth.

The Marines were routed by the 8th SC after the 8th batted around in the second inning and

scored nine runs. The Marines cut the margin down after scoring six runs in the fourth and fifth innings but the 8th cooled any threats by scoring six more runs in the bottom of the fifth.

The 8th were led by Reynaldo Ortiz and John Antalosky who blasted homers while the leathernecks were sparked by O. X. Finley who smashed a homer and a single.

Thursday

6th Sc edged the 7th Sc, 11-8; 291st Mp's blasted A Company, 10-5; Meddac nipped the 5th Sc, 11-9; and B Company massacred Micom, 19-8.

The 6th Sc kept their unblemished record as they romped to a 10-1 lead over the 7th Sc and then held on to a 7th uprising in the end. The 6th completely dominated the early innings as James Whitfield, Bob Sullin, and Nick Manning led the attack. Ted Holgate and Julio Joubert

led the 7th Sc's comeback but it was too little and too late.

The 291st and A Co were deadlocked for the first two inning 1-1 but the Mp's broke it open with five runs in the top of the third. A Co made a final go of it trailing 10-3 but were only able to score two runs even though they cracked five singles in the seventh inning. A Co stranded three men as Frank Chrisman notched the win. The Mp's were led by Larry Day with a homer and Murdock Maciver led A Co with three safeties.

Meddac held off the 5th Sc in the waning innings as they had upset in their minds. The Medics jumped to an 8-2 lead after scoring seven runs in the bottom of the second inning. The Medics were led by Randy Hoerths homer and Bob Cannon's triple and doubles by Bob

Burroughs and Ed Lamon.

The 5th made their comeback in the fifth and seventh innings by scoring nine runs. The students were led by R. Collier and J. Doss.

B Company jumped to a 4-1 lead in the first inning after a two run single by Nick Brandon and a two run homer by Bill Nichols. Micom scored in the next two innings to cut the lead to 6-5 after a two run homer by Larry Singleton and a double by Joe Roney. B Co then broke the game open by blasting thirteen runs across the plate. Nick Branden led B Company with three safeties and Glen Fisher with two hits. Roney led Micom with two blasts.

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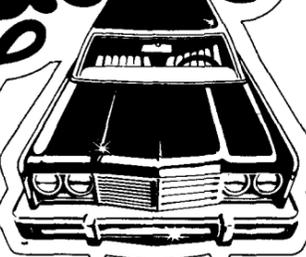


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An early season setback administered by the Finance and Accounting is looming every day as R&D strives to capture the CWF slo-pitch championship.

The loss to the Accountants in their second game was followed by another setback doled out by the still undefeated Materiel Management crew. Since then R&D has captured twelve straight encounters but has only one shot at MM themselves.

The Engineers are left with a hope in their game and a prayer that someone else can put it on the leaders and give them a chance to tie.

R&D got even with the Accountants with a 17-8 win last week and bombed the Satellites

23-8 to boost their slate to thirteen wins in fifteen tries.

Materiel Management showed they are not quite ready to slow down with a 21-4 defeat of the Comptrollers and a 15-7 victory over the T&E Lab.

The Satellites dropped completely out of contention with the loss to R&D along with a 11-9 setback issued by MISD. The Comptrollers broke even on the week with a 10-1 win over Product Assurance and P&P split a pair, dropping a 11-10 squeaker to T&E handing ASC a 16-12 setback.

Jerry Arszman slugged a pair of round trippers apiece and Mike Fahey added another to spark the Engineers to their get

even win over the Accountants. Tom Johnson homered in the losing cause.

Ray Whiddon hurled the win with Emmett Mathias being tagged with the loss.

Home runs once more played a big part in the win over the Satellites, as Lloyd Brooks accounted for six runs with a pair of circuit clouts.

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Mat. Management	14	0
R & D	13	2
MISD	8	4
Satellites	8	5
Fin and Actg	8	6
Comptrollers	6	8
Product Assurance	6	8
ASC	2	11
P & P	2	13
T & E Lab	2	13

Charles Lovejoy, Ken Lomax and Wade Griffin homered in the losing cause and Whiddon helped his own cause with a trio of safeties.

Materiel Management continued their unbeaten pace as Gary Belue homered twice and Bill Hart hit another in the win over the Comptrollers. Rob Sumner hit safely four straight trips to the plate and Wendell Waite hit a Comptroller home run.

Lindon Calvert was the winner over Cleodus Thompson.

Jerry Williams got the homer fever against T&E and slapped a pair of shots over the left field wall, with Hart and Belue contributing a four baser apiece. Calvert picked up another win in relief of Doug McKee.

Ron Leidland Bob Dillon each hit safely three times for T&E and the former turned in the defensive gem of the week with a diving catch of a short liner. Gene Rupert was the loser.

MISD got home run support from Mel Betts and Doug Peavey as Bruce Coker hurled the defending champions past the Satel-

lites. Lomax and Lovejoy homered for the losers.

Cleotis Thompson set PAD down with just three base hits in hurling the Comptrollers to their sixth win. One of the hits was a home run stroked by Wayne Tucker. Ray Wernle took the loss.

Bob Dillon, Tom Ladd and Allen Cochran combined for ten hits as T&E defeated P&P for the second time. Jim Chirizio

kept P&P in the running with a grand slammer and Steve Renner hit a solo shot for the losers.

Two nights later P&P picked up a win with a 17-hit attack that outlasted ASC. Chirizio homered again and Sid Kuhn went 3 for 3 to spark the winning attack.

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Redstone Program Now Among Best

After nearly four years at Redstone Arsenal, I can't help but reminisce on the eve of my last day here about my experience as a writer.

One particular experience involves the Athletic Director Ralph Santaliz and the remarkable job he's done with the sports program.

His primary job is to initiate and regulate sports activities for the soldiers. And when it boils down to the plain truth, soldiers have gotten more than could be expected from a civilian-oriented post.

The Arsenal's Sports and Athletic Training program ranks as one of the Army's most diversified and competitive programs. Why? Because, finally someone cares more about the soldiers' welfare than money and prestige.

Currently, the sports program consists of basketball, softball, football, volleyball, European team handball, wrestling, track and field, bowling, tennis, golf, paddleball and racquetball. In addition, the program provides soldiers the opportunity to participate in five

major college events: basketball, baseball, soccer, golf and tennis.

The reason for college-level competition, Santaliz says, "Is to give the better athlete an opportunity to compete against players of the same caliber. This type of competition also prepares the men for major installation and departmental rivalry."

Although Redstone teams are not expected to do well in college competition, according to Santaliz, it does prepare them for TRADOC events. "Even at the TRADOC level, soldiers will not see any better rivalry than what they experienced with college competitors," the Athletic Director stated.

Four years ago, the sports program was nil. At that time, only one-third of the sports played now were scheduled. Troops wore only T-shirts and cut-off jeans. Rules were changed almost daily by ranking individuals during particular situations.

Hardly a professional atmosphere. Since the arrival of Santaliz, Redstone has undergone a sports boom. While different units have been deactivated or combined, the intramural program has expanded to include, for the first time, the Germans.

When participating in a major sport, each team is fully outfitted. Strict rules and regulations are established prior to the start of each intramural sporting event.

Such changes have spurred respect, increased enthusiasm, a competitive challenge and discipline, while affording soldiers the opportunity to stay physically fit.

During a visit to Redstone last year, Army sports director Billy Dove ranked the Arsenal's sports program as one of the best, if not the best, in the Army. That reflects highly on Redstone, and the man that is responsible — Ralph Santaliz.

After such praises from a person who directs the Army sports program, one might be tempted to stop and take advantage of the savory comments. But not Santaliz.

Presently, Santaliz is in the process of expanding the sports program to include AAU boxing and wrestling. "Boxing has always been an outstanding spectator sport," Santaliz said. "It provides the public with good entertainment. I think there are too many young athletes who need the opportunity to compete. I want to give them that chance while I'm still here."

The athletic director attributes the spendid participation in the intramural program to the presentation of the CG's All-Sports Trophy. "Prior to this trophy," said Santaliz, "there was no unit integrity. Now, it's like competing for national rankings. We have had increased soldier and spectator participation for all events."

As of this year, the "Run for your Life Program" has been established, and many sports are now including women in TRADOC events.

"For a small installation, Redstone has evenly competed against major installation, some with more than 40,000 soldiers," Santaliz said. "In the last two years, Redstone has improved in basketball, golf, and tennis, while gathering championships or runner-up in softball, bowling and golf."

However, Santaliz credits Redstone's successful sports program to his staff. "We have been fortunate at Redstone to have young hard-working men. While all of them are not school-trained, each one puts in extra hours to make the program the best," he said.

In over-all accomplishments of the program, Santaliz gives credit to Irv Lyles, assistant athletic director, and Bill Gore, NCOIC.

While it seems the sports program has reached its peak, Santaliz is still looking for new attractions. "Although we have outstanding command emphasis and backing, we are still open to any suggestions that could improve the sports program," said Santaliz. "We are here to provide a service and we will do our best to assure that the soldiers receive good service."

What more can a soldier ask for? On the other hand, how much more can he get? The future lies with Santaliz, but rest assured, he will not quit now.



RIBBON CUTTING . . . Major General George E. Turnmeyer discusses the new Post Gym facilities with Redstone Sports Director Ralph Santaliz and University of Alabama in Huntsville Basketball Coach Kayo Willis. Willis was the keynote speaker at the ribbon cutting ceremonies held at the gym last week.

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tory in three previous rounds of play although the Blue's Don Reesman is unbeaten in four matches.

Reesman plays the No. 5 singles position and will try to make it five in a row at the expense of Tom Norwood.

Mal O'Neill is still the No. 1 player on the Blue ladder and

he is pitted against the Gray's Jim Kofskey who is filling in for Mike Davis.

The rest of the Blue singles hopes ride with Emil Luft, Bill Evers, Art Jones and Phil Adair. Their respective opposition will come from Jay Robinson, Jim Burt, Bill Lummus and Bob James.

Bill Dunlap joins Adair as the top Blue tandem and they will go up against Frank Fleming and Robinson.

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Consumers Demand Open Dating System

WASHINGTON (ANF) — In this age of consumer advocacy, food shoppers want to know what they are buying and how fresh it is. The question of freshness can be answered by "open dating" used in commercial supermarkets—and in Army commissaries worldwide.

In the past manufacturers dated most of their products in codes the average consumer could not interpret—a "closed dating" system.

Open dating is a method of stating in plain terms either when the product was manufactured—or how long it can be expected to remain fresh.

However, manufacturers, processors and retailers may use different dating methods. A processing date doesn't necessarily give a good indication of how long a product will stay fresh.

Use of a "pull" date may answer this problem. That is the last date the manufacturer recommends an item should remain on sale before it is pulled from the shelf. The product may remain usable after the posted pull date—but the period is hard to fix.

Perhaps the most definite date is one that identifies the last date the product is to be used by the customer. But even that date may be indefinite since manufacturers tend to add a "fudge factor" to be on the safe side. Usually, if the product looks and smells okay, then the inclination is to use it.

Date marking of food is voluntary, done as a service to the consumer. Unless legislation is passed to standardize the dating system and terminology, consumers will be called upon to make judgments based on limited information.

Soldiers overseas are presented with a special problem. Most manufacturers date their items for sale in CONUS where the turnover is greater and supply lines are not as long.

Perishable commissary items shipped overseas often are frozen during shipment making the date stamp no longer accurate. To know how fresh the item is, commissary shoppers would have to know how long a product was frozen.

However, the Army commissary system has safeguards to assure freshness of perishable items. All food items shipped overseas are inspected at various stages by Army veterinarians. Items are sold only when certified by these inspectors to be wholesome.

Items may be out of date by a CONUS dating system but still be wholesome and safe to eat. In some instances the price may be reduced so the item will be sold quickly.

It's important—until some standard dates are agreed upon—

for the military shopper to understand what the date on the item means. For instance the date on most egg cartons is the date they were packed. That date could easily be confused as an expiration date.

The most knowledgeable local sources of information are the commissary officer or Army veterinarian. They can give an idea as to how long the item was frozen in the case of meat and how long other items may retain their freshness.

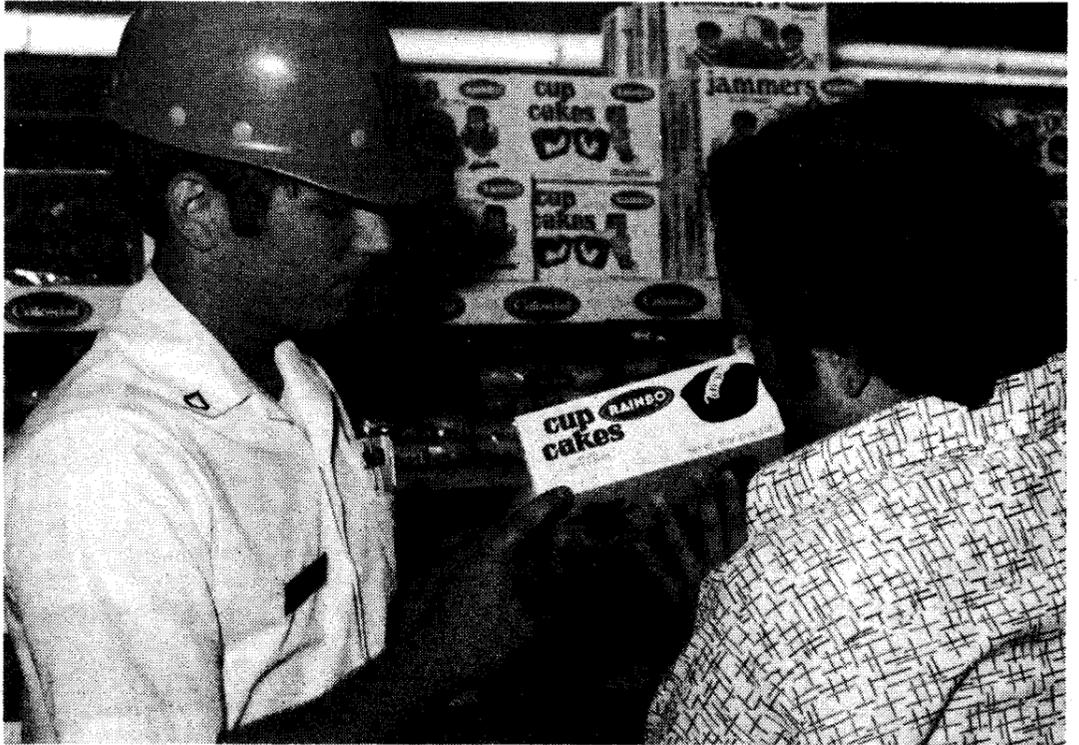
In the meantime every effort is being made to protect the health and safety of the Army's soldier and his family.

.. The most knowledgeable source of information package dating at Redstone is the VET inspectors that work in the Commissary.

The inspectors wear khaki hard hats with VET spelled out in black letters to make them easy to recognize.

Part of their job responsibilities involves checking freshness of commissary items.

Customers with questions about dates of commissary goods should consult the inspectors.



Pfc James Wall shows a customer how to recognize a "freshness" date on a commissary item.

Confusing at Best

Dates on food items in the commissary and local grocery stores are confusing. Besides the overwhelming mixture of pull dates, open dates and manufacturing dates, some companies use number and color codes to date their food items.

For example, Colonial bread and bun items have color ties to identify the day of the week; marked as follows: Monday-white; Tuesday-blue; Thursday-orange; Friday-red; Saturday-red. All bread has three day shelf life. All cake items have the pick up date on the package by the month and the day.

Milk is usually good for seven days after it has been processed but coding varies by brand. Flap-o-rich milk has the julian date of manufacture, for example 175 would be June 23. Meadow Gold is coded with an open date code which tells the last fresh date.

Most luncheon meats also have open code dates that give the last day the product can stay on the counter. However a 10 day counter life past the printed date can usually be added. Cheese products have the open date on the package too.

Baby food items have complex codes. For example one number of

Gerber babyfood has 06202T33F2. The "06" is the month, "20" the date and "2" the year.

The new code being worked is PKD20JUN73433F2. "PKD" is packed, "200" is the day of the month and JUN" is the month. These are the dates that the baby food was packaged. The products is good for an extended time or until the circle on the jar top pops up to indicate spoilage.

Cookie companies also use confusing codes. Southern Biscuit uses a 5 digit number. The first digit indicates the year; the second digit the quarter the third and fourth digits the day of the quarter, and the fifth the shift. Nabisco has its own code for dating, one which requires a code book. The following are the codes for 1976—Jan-5111; FEB-551; MAR-611; APRIL-651; May-711; JUNE-751; JULY-811; and AUGUST-851. To get the day of the month start with Jan, 511 is the first, 512 the second. FEB 551 is the first of February 552 the second.

The important thing to remember when reading dates at the grocery store is that there is no consistency among items if you have any questions ask your VET Inspector or grocery stocker.

PX Credit Buying Still In Future

WASHINGTON (ANF) — Credit card use by soldiers in the PX is still a long way off. According to Army and Air Force Exchange System (AAFES) officials, there still are many channels of review before use of credit cards can be okayed.

AAFES officials will get a chance to review and vote on a recent study on PX credit buying at their June 24 board of directors

meeting. The study was to be completed by that date.

If approved, the results of the study would be staffed through higher channels for review. The Secretaries of the Army and Air Force must both approve the credit concept before the request can be sent to the House Armed Services Committee.

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WASHINGTON (ANF) — Soldiers are going to find the insignia hassle cleared up by several upcoming changes to enlisted insignia wear.

"These changes will make it easier for enlisted soldiers when they change stations, for one thing, and it will add prestige, for another," says Maj. Robert R. Sarratt.

Sarratt, a member of the Army's Uniform Board, is talking about three major changes to current policy. The first affects all enlisted

soldiers on October 1 when they begin to wear the branch insignia of their primary MOS. This eliminates the problem of changing insignia at every new unit.

For example, a soldier with a 71-series MOS will wear AG brass, a 31-series MOS will wear Signal insignia—and they will continue to do so as long as they remain in those MOSs.

The only exception to the new policy is that basic trainees will not wear branch insignia at all, but

will wear "U. S." insignia on both collars and lapels.

Another change concerns the wearing of insignia by command sergeants major (CSM). Because their MOS (OOZ) is not branch related and their duties cross all branch lines, CSMs will now wear "branch immaterial" insignia—formerly "unassigned-to-branch."

Since CSM's throughout the Army are used in a variety of leadership positions and because of the skills involved in obtaining the rank of CSM, the branch im-

material insignia is considered appropriate.

The third change has produced a new insignia design for NCOs assigned to Inspector General duties. The Deputy Inspector General, Maj. Gen. James F. Hamlet, felt that since officers assigned as IGs wear distinctive insignia as a mark of their unique duty and NCOs share in this duty, it would lend prestige to their position to wear enlisted IG insignia.

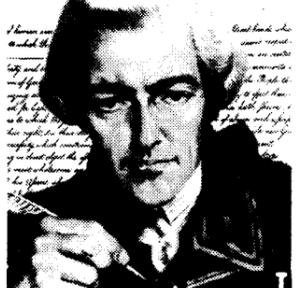
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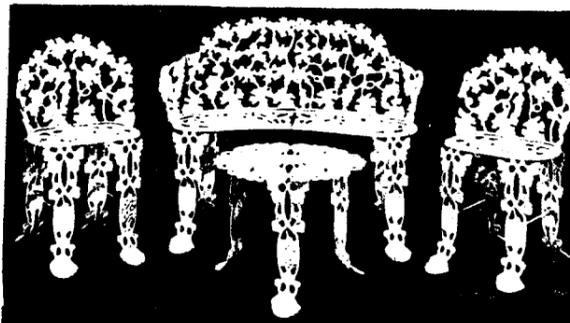
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Raymond Aldridge, a Procurement officer with the Huntsville Division, Army Corps of Engineers, received the Department of the Army Meritorious Civilian Service Award from LG W. C. Gribble, Chief of Engineers.

The Army's second highest civilian employee award recognized Aldridge for his achievements during an 18-month tour in Saudi Arabia. He was chief of the Procurement and Supply Division, for the Engineer District and advisor to the Saudi Arabian Ordnance Corps on procurement activities.

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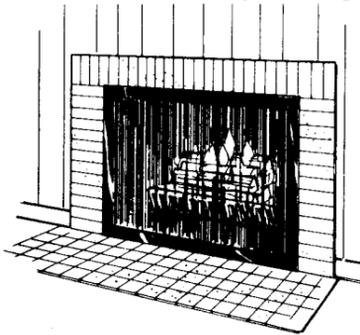
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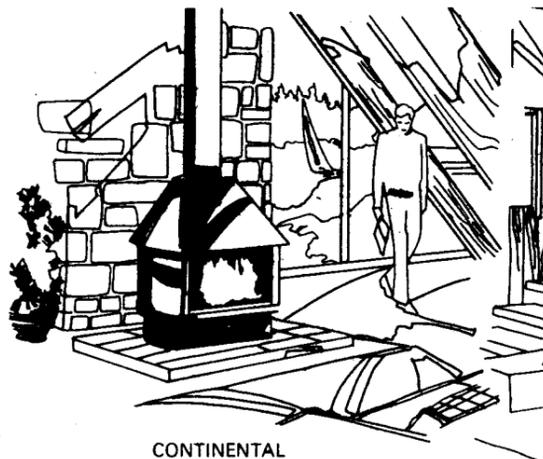


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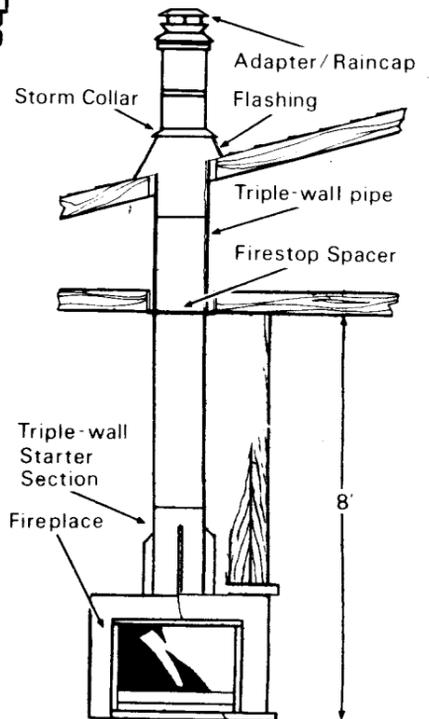
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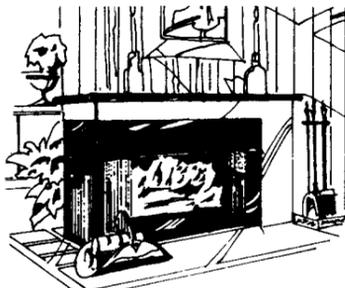
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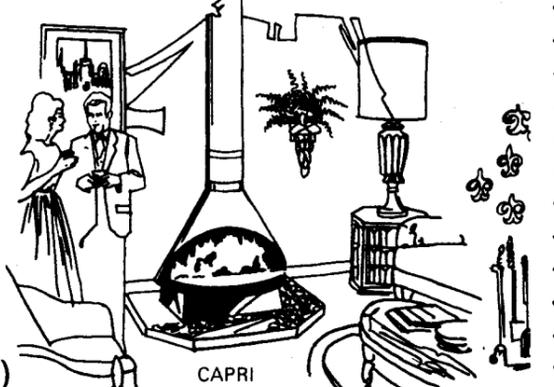
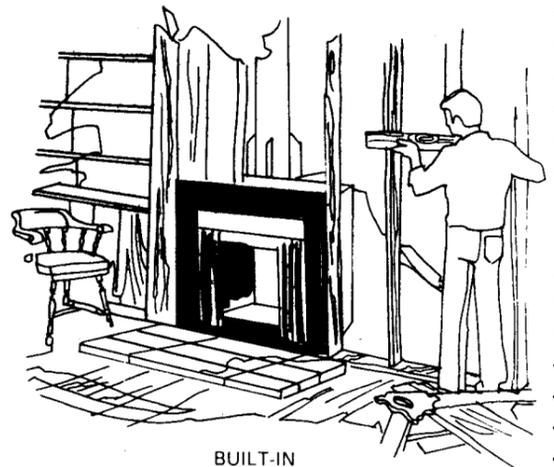
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A fascinating portrait of the American veteran of today emerges in the just-released annual report of the VA — a picture that shows he or she is better educated, more consistently employed, and earning more on the job than non-veteran counterparts.

VA's figures show that during the fiscal year that ended

on June 30, 1975, the Nation's veteran population continued to increase but at the smallest rate (0.6 per cent) since the Gulf of Tonkin incident in August 1964 that marks the statutory beginning of the Vietnam era.

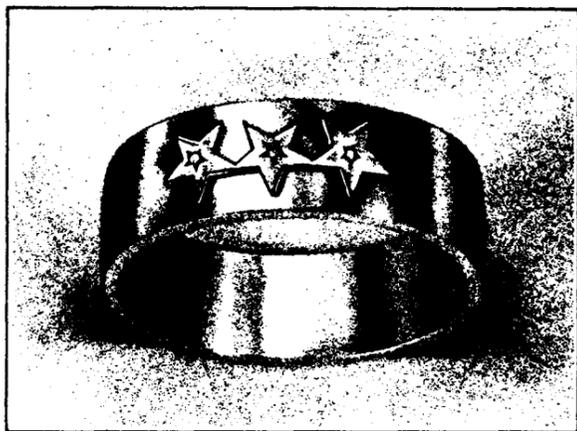
Almost 90 per cent of the Nation's living veterans — 26,367,000 men and women — served in the Armed Forces during periods of war or armed conflict. The remaining 3,092,000 were those veterans whose only active duty service came between the Korean and Vietnam conflicts.

VA says the average age of U.S. veterans was 45.9 years. Vietnam era veterans, with no service in the Korean Conflict,

are the youngest with an average age of 28.3 years, although 57,000 of them were less than 20 years old.

The oldest veterans are those who saw service during the Spanish American War in 1898. All of these men — there are less than 1,000 of them — are at least 87 years of age and their average age is 95.5 years.

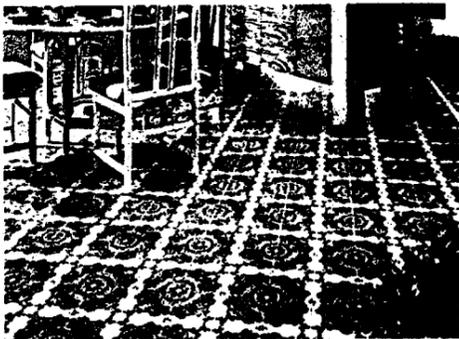
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The Navy has had women pilots since 1973 when eight women were designated naval aviators. At present, another four women are undergoing Navy pilot training, and another eight are scheduled to begin training this fall.

The Army has 13 women,

eight officers and five warrant officers, in flight training at Ft. Rucker, Alabama.

In announcing its program, the Air Force said 18 women from the active force and one each from the Air National Guard and the Air Force Reserve will be selected by boards convening in July at the Air Force Military Personnel Center at Randolph AFB, Texas. Another six women will be selected for navigator training.

The first 10 women pilot candidates enter the Flight Screening Program at Lackland AFB, Texas, in August and the Undergraduate Pilot Training (UPT) at Williams AFB, Arizona, in September. The second group of pilots report to Lackland in February 1977. Women navigator trainees will enter their training in March 1977 at Mather AFB, California.

After Blue Here On The Fourth

The Rec Center will kick-off its July entertainment program with a 4th of July dance, featuring After Blue, a five piece combo.

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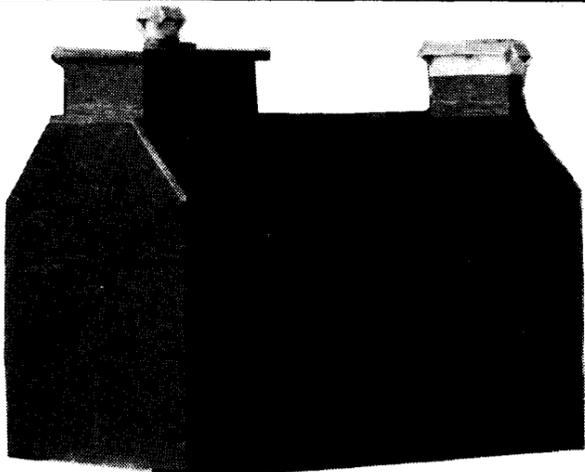
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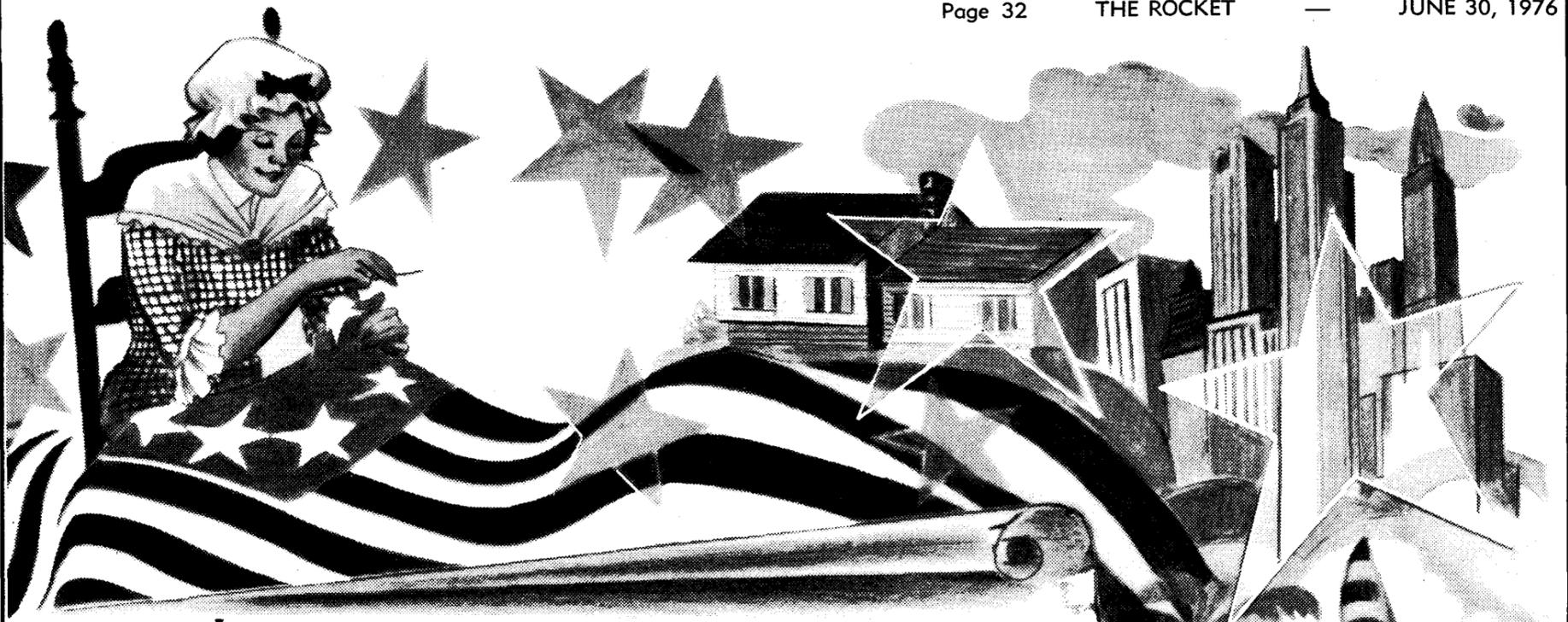
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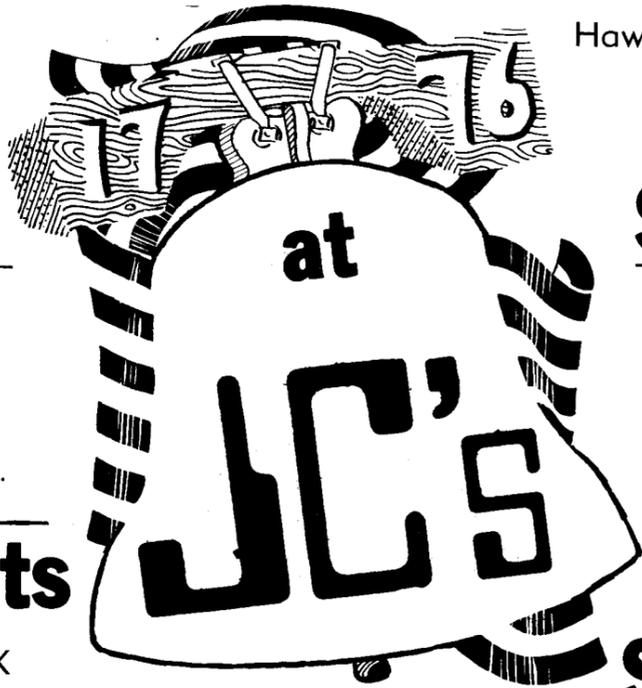
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