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The Man Who Liked His Job



It can be safely predicted that MG George E. Turnmeyer will leave smiling Friday with the inner peace that comes to someone who knows he has given his best. Simply put, the man liked being Commander of MIRCOM and Redstone Arsenal. He liked it a lot.

He has deep down, old fashioned feelings about the United States Army and little sympathy with those who do not share them. It shows in the crew cut and his obvious liking for military ceremony but it goes much deeper than that. You get the feeling that he has put on the uniform with pride every morning for 34 years, that each day of his Army service has been an adventure for him, one that he looked forward to with anticipation and back on with enjoyment. All of which is remarkable because a lot of the days in the last two years - through no fault of his - have been tough ones. Many of the biggest decisions he has had to make have been the hardest kind, out in that gray area where facts leave off and experience and horse sense take over.

He took command in 1975 faced with Solomon's choice without the options. He was ordered to divide the baby. He found himself in command of an outfit that had grown up believing in its collective soul that the best way to manage was to consolidate. DARCOM's order to scrap MIRCOM and set up two new commands in its place was greeted here with the almost unanimous judgement that the world had suddenly gone mad.

Not since the loss of the space missions, the Von Braun team, 4,000 people and \$100 million in facilities to NASA 17 years ago had there been such a traumatic wrench thrown into the machinery of the Army missile business.

Few people in the organization know it even today, but he fought the split, argued as long and as hard as he could. He lost, and followed his orders. Followed them slowly, carefully, with infinite concern for the rights of the people involved, trying always to cushion the impact on people and the communities where they lived. That too, turned out not to be an easy task because he had to live with additional orders from Washington, issued and enforced with the detail and clarity of thought that comes only to those several hundred miles removed from the problem.

Well he split the baby. The record shows both halves are alive and well today, all the soldiers and 7,200 civilians involved successfully placed in new jobs. No layoffs. There are people in the Readiness Command who say he gave away the farm just as there are those in the R&D Command who say he kept the best of everything...which would indicate that he struck a pretty fair balance. If there is a real success story in the division of the old AMC commodity commands, it is being written here at Redstone and the credit for the achievement is rightly his. He had a great

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QUESTION: In June 1975 female soldiers were given the option to choose whether or not they wanted to remain in the service or get out upon becoming pregnant. Do you think pregnant soldiers should be allowed to stay in Service ?



Sgt. Michael Foster, MP Co. — "I think it's up to them whether or not they want to stay in, but I think they should get out. They should stay home and raise the children. A pregnant MP soldier can't perform her duties and is given a desk job. It's hard on the individual soldier and everyone else."



Pvt. Richard Lumley, Marine Co. — "If they can handle it, but if they can't I think they should be given leave or something until they have the baby."



Pvt. Frankie Sisson, 6th S.C. — "If they can do their job they should be allowed to stay in. Since they're not allowed in the infantry or anything like that they ought to be able to do their job."



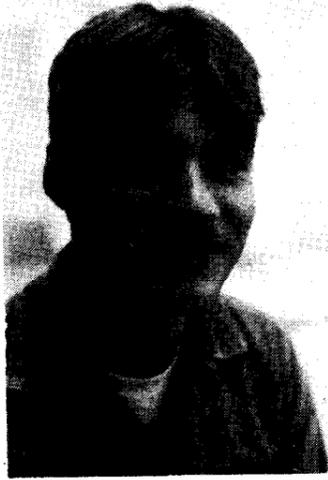
Spec. 4 Johnny Haywood, 8th S.C. — "Yes. I say they should have something like in civilian jobs where they can leave their job and return to it after they have the baby."

COUNTDOWN

Civilians transferring to new positions Sept. 29 should clear through the administrative offices of their old organizations, and report through the administrative offices where they are going to work.

Personnel will be expected to report for work at the regular working hours of the organization where they are transferring on the 29th.

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Pvt. Eddie Larson, 8th S.C. — "Yes, I guess so. It's a job like anything else. I think it would be O.K. for them to stay in. If they can't do their job, they should be given leave until after they have the baby."



Pvt. Donna Dunham, Meddacs — "I don't see why not, unless it came down to where they had to go to war. I personally would get out, because I couldn't raise a child in the Army. I don't feel the Army's the place to raise a child."



Spec. 5 Gregory Bowman, Co. B — "Yes, if they make arrangements to have the child taken care of after it's born. The only problem is when they get orders for overseas. If they have to be in the field, what are they going to do? I don't think they should be discharged just because they're pregnant."



Pfc. Rapheal Jackson, Meddacs — "I think they should be allowed to stay in. I don't think that anybody has the right to say that you have to wait till you get out of the service to have a baby."

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MG Louis Rachmeler takes command of the Missile Materiel Readiness Command and Redstone Arsenal from MG George E. Turnmeyer Friday morning in ceremonies scheduled for nine on the lawn of the command headquarters building.

General John R. Guthrie Jr., Commander of the Army Materiel Development and Readiness Command will be the reviewing officer.

The ceremony will also mark the retirement of General Turnmeyer, ending the career he began as a private 34 years ago.

Soldiers and civilian workers of the command may attend the ceremony. Invited guests include key civilian leaders from neighboring communities, close friends of the Rachmeler and Turnmeyer families and key officials of MIRCOCM and other local Army commands.

In case of rain, the ceremony will be held in the post gym beginning at 9:30.

Soldiers representing each of the MIRCOCM troop units will take part in the ceremony. Music will be provided by the 14th Army Band from Ft. McClellan. A gun salute will be fired by "C" Battery, 1-321st Field Artillery from the 101st Airborne Division at Ft. Campbell.

All three of the general officers participating will make brief remarks.

Immediately following the change of command, General Rachmeler and General Turnmeyer will attend a reception in their honor at the Officers Club.

General Turnmeyer will be the reviewing officer at the monthly retreat parade tomorrow which will also be highlighted with music by the 14th Army band and a gun salute. Jet fighters from the 117th Tactical Recon Wing, Alabama National Guard, will make a low level fly by as the troops leave the parade field.

MIRCOCM soldiers and civilians will say an informal farewell to General and Mrs. Turnmeyer at a dinner tonight in the Officers' Club.



New Commander . . . Rachmeler

Gen. Rachmeler In Third Tour

MG Louis Rachmeler will succeed MG George E. Turnmeyer Friday as Commander of the Missile Materiel Readiness Command and Redstone Arsenal.

An experienced logistician, he has had prior service at Redstone. He was Deputy Commanding General from 1970 to 1973 and as a captain, was a missile project officer during the mid-1950's.

Now assigned in the Pentagon as Coordinator for Army Security Assistance in the Office of the Army Chief of Staff, he directs the multi-billion dollar sale of Army weapons and equipment to allied nations.

In his new command here he will be responsible for supporting Army missile units world wide as well as managing foreign sales of Army missiles. Weapon systems under his direction will include the Hawk and Chaparal ground to air missiles; Dragon and TOW anti-tank weapons and the Lance ballistic missile.

General Turnmeyer ends his Army career after four years at Redstone as Lance project manager, then Deputy Commander and later Commander of the Army Missile Command. He became the first Commander of the Missile Readiness Command in January after the Missile Command split into two new commands managing missile and rocket development and readiness.

Well known to the arsenal work force and the leaders of neighboring communities with whom he worked closely while Deputy Commander four years ago, General Rachmeler began his Army career as an enlisted man in 1943. Later appointed to the U.S. Military Academy, he graduated in 1947.

He received a master's degree in Electrical Engineering from Stanford University in 1954, is also a graduate of the Army Command and General Staff College and the Army War College.

Born in Brooklyn, N. Y., February 16, 1923, the General has served overseas in France, Germany and spent 18 months in Vietnam. Since leaving Redstone in 1973, he has served in the Defense Department staff as Director, Industrial Preparedness and Munitions Production and later as Deputy for Materiel Acquisition in the Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Army (Installations and Logistics) before moving to his present assignment last year.

He is married to the former Mary Lou Johnson of Bessemer, Ala. They have two sons and two daughters. Their youngest child, Kimberly Ann, will attend high school in Huntsville.

Road Closed

Martin Rd. will be closed in the vicinity of building 5250 for about an hour Friday morning beginning at 8:15.

MPs will block traffic both ways at Martin and Patton and at Martin and Mills until completion of the MIRCOCM change of command ceremony.

Vehicles carrying persons planning to attend the ceremony will be allowed to proceed to Bldg. 5250 for parking.

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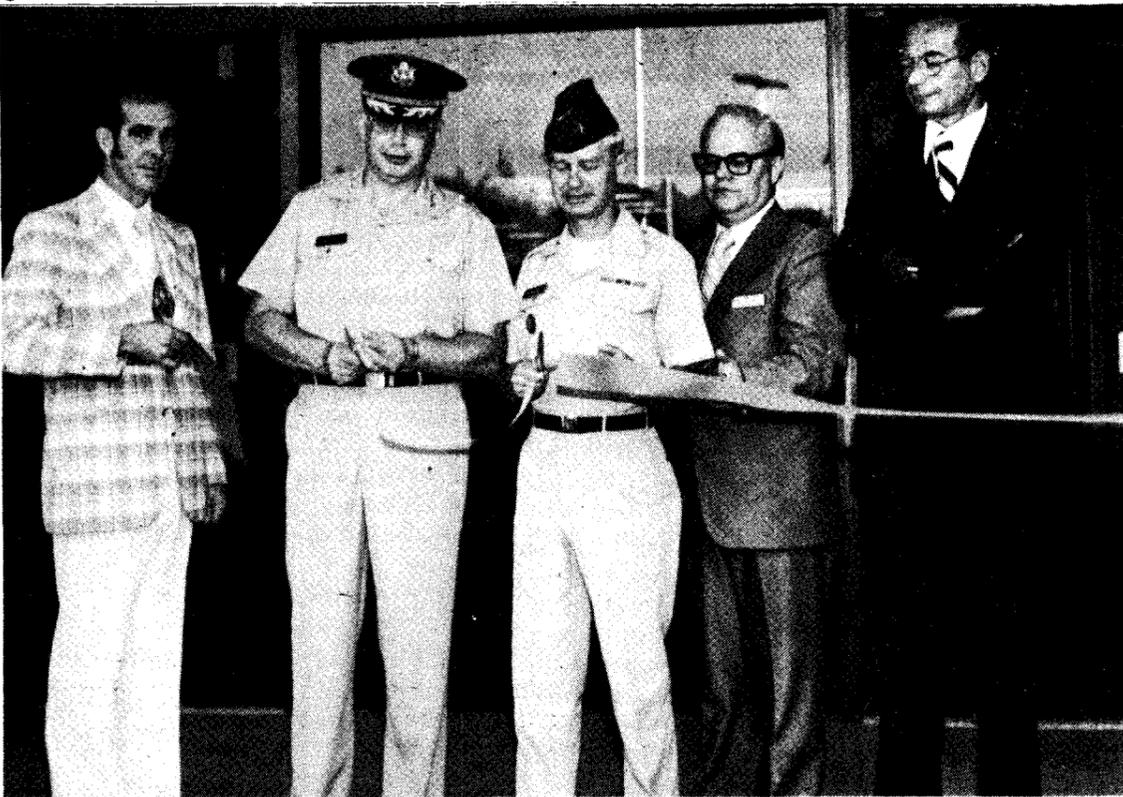
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BG Duane H. Stubbs, deputy commander, Army and Air Force Exchange Service; Thomas J. Martin, general manager, West Georgia Area Exchange; and Shelton Blitzblau, chief, Southeast Exchange region.

Colonel Arthur G. Lange, Jr., Chief of Staff for the Missile Materiel Readiness Command, is retiring from the Army tomorrow after 33 years of military service.

Colonel Lange, the only man to serve three Redstone commanders as Chief of Staff, will make his retirement home in Huntsville.

"Mrs. Lange and I have formed many friendships here and this is where we want to stay," he said.

A retirement parade for the colonel and other Army retirees is scheduled at 4:30 tomorrow behind the old post chapel just off Patton Road.



Lange

Spending nearly eight years at Redstone in three assignments, the former enlisted man said he was proud to be part of an organization known throughout the world for its competence.

"MIRCOC has recorded an enviable record of achievements," he said, "because of the many dedicated soldiers and civilians working for the command.

"I wish them continued success."

The 51-year-old West Allis, Wisconsin, native first came to Redstone in 1959 as a student at the Ordnance Guided Missile School. He returned the second time in 1966 for a three-year stint as Sergeant Project Manager.

For his third assignment, he was named Chief of Staff for the Army Missile Command in 1973 and subsequently for MIRCOC this past January when MIRCOC split into two new commands.

Reassignments Active Tomorrow

Tomorrow 1947 civilian employees of MIRADCOM, MIRCOC and RASA will report for new jobs they have been reassigned at the same grade and pay, and 336 others will start in positions at lower grades, but most will have saved pay for two years. Five persons declined offers made July 29, and will be separated.

The actions are the result of reduction in force procedures used to comply with directions to cut the number of workers and their pay. At first it appeared some employees would be laid off, but the U.S. Army Material Development and Readiness Command told both local commands early in July that there could be no involuntary separations.

Involuntary separations occur in a RIF if an individual is laid off without first being offered another job elsewhere in the organization. All employees were made valid job offers July 29.

The number of employees being reassigned has risen from that originally announced as those scheduled for downgrading were reassigned to vacancies that occurred due to retirements, transfers, resignations and deaths.

The changes by command are:

MIRADCOM: 324 reassigned, 136 changed to lower grades.

MIRCOC: 1005 reassigned, 140 changed to lower grades.

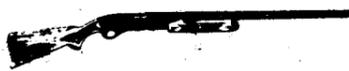
RASA: (an element of MIRCOC): 618 reassigned, 60 changed to lower grades.

The five employees being separated after declining offers are from MIRCOC.

As of July 29, 322 in MIRADCOM were to be reassigned and 157 changed to lower grades; in MIRCOC 980 were to be reassigned and 222 changed to lower grades; and in RASA 539 were to be reassigned and 73 changed to lower grades.

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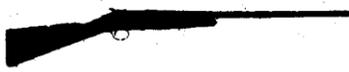
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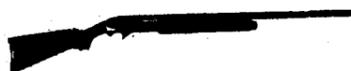
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Commander Looks at His Command

Two months ago, MG Charles F. Means took command of MIRADCOM after four eventful years as Patriot Project Manager.

Coming back to Building 4505 brought him full circle. His missile experience began there 20 years ago as a captain on the staff of MG John B. Medaris, a leader who impressed him, General Means says, "with his tremendous ability to get to the heart of a problem, his dedication and courage to fight for what he believed to be right, his ability to accomplish very difficult tasks."



General Means discussed his new command recently in a candid interview with this newspaper, outlining his problems, priorities and hopes for the future. Edited portions follow:

Q. What are your priorities for MIRADCOM, the things that concern you most right now?

A. The first priority is the reorganization and RIF now going on...to get it under control and to re-establish stability in the personnel and organizational aspects of the command. There's no question about it, we are not going to be as efficient as we should be as long as there is personnel turbulence.

Of equal priority...establish more stability in our high priority programs under project management. We have 10 projects...each of them in one form or another, is being affected by budget cuts, changes in requirements, or schedule changes, all of which can, and in many cases do, have significant impact on...the program. What I hope to do here is to identify the root causes of the changes occurring in programs and see what can be done about preventing them in the future.

Another area of high priority to me is the Equal Employment Opportunity Program. I am fully dedicated and committed to the objectives of that program.

Q. You said to your staff, the other day that we don't need another reorganization...

A. Yes, that's very important. We've been through enough organizational and personnel turbulence. Therefore, we must complete the present reorganization as quickly as possible. I am unaware of any plans for further reorganization.

However, there are two organizational areas that I feel we must develop more fully

in order to enhance our capabilities...production engineering and software management.

...It is a complex and difficult transition to go from development into production. We've simply got to get more experience in this critical area to improve our ability to make a successful transition.

...We are developing more and more missile systems that rely heavily on software. This is a substantially different task than we have had in the past with hardware oriented systems. We must add to our capabilities to understand, test, and control software... We have already activated a software Support Center within the command, but it must be expanded.

Substantial progress has also been made...in new production manufacturing technology and techniques...The advances taking place in that technology are important.

Q. How do you size up morale in your command, and if it's not where you want it, what needs to happen?

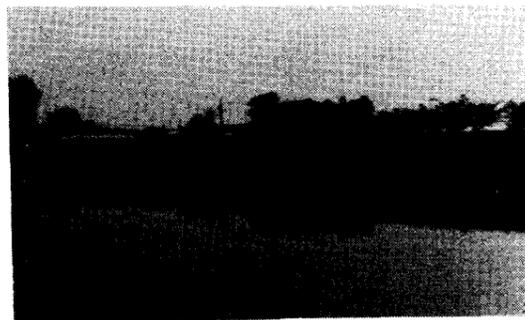
A. I'd like to be able to say morale is excellent, but, under the circumstances, I would say that morale is good...We have a long way to go. Until we resolve the organizational and personnel turbulence, there can be no doubt that morale will be adversely affected...We are working very hard...to minimize the impact of personnel actions on those affected and on the supervisors who must continue to meet

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Q. You use the word "dedicated" often to describe the qualities you look for in people. Do you expect the same, have the same standards for soldiers and civilians?

A. You used the word "standards." No, there is no difference in the standards I expect from the military and civilian members of the command. The standards are the same and they are the highest. However, there are some differences in the roles and responsibilities assigned to the civilians and military.

There is a tremendous challenge to the military in a command such as MIRADCOM, heavily civilian staffed and highly technical. However, every individual in the command, military or civilian, is eventually judged by his peers and his superiors on his or her own merits. I have found that a uniform or civilian dress does not affect the end result. At the same time, those of us in uniform have a unique responsibility in representing the Army within and outside the command. We must wear the uniform proudly and represent the soldiers we support and this command in an outstanding manner.

I do use the word dedicated often. It starts from a recognition that we are involved in very important business that can affect the national security of this country. We simply can't take that lightly. We have to work as long and as hard as needed, and we have to be successful... We have to have the energy and fortitude to change the situation that

produces the turmoil I talked about earlier. It can be done, especially with demonstrated progress and success.

I have been in this business a long time, and I know that when you are successful you can be convincing. But, you won't be successful if you are not truly dedicated to your work and to the people who work for you.

I often use the word 'professional' too. To me that means doing your homework, being innovative, being willing to stand up and be counted. If you do that, I'm convinced you will win 99 percent of the issues with which you are involved.

I've also found that when there is an important issue involving high-level decisions, you deal with very realistic, experienced and practical people. In that environment, when you do your homework and present your case in a rational manner, you succeed.

Q. How important is success? What do you suppose would have happened if the first series of PATRIOTS fired had failed?

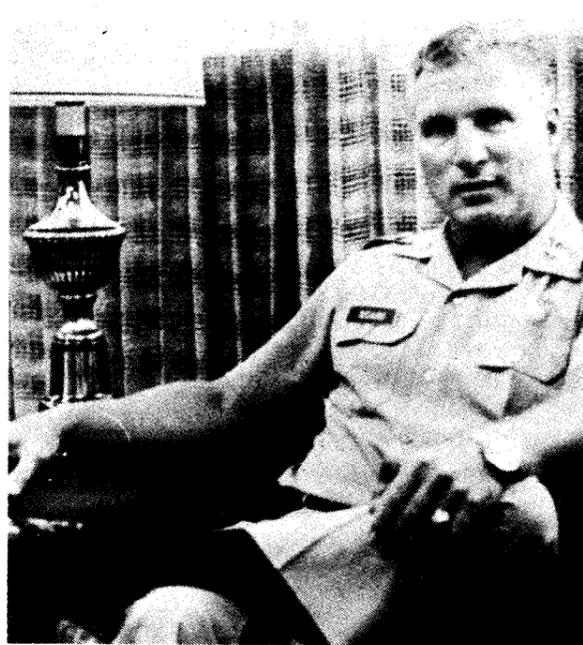
A. We could not have afforded a single failure in the first five or six, much less two or three in a row. Today, failure is not condoned... When a program gets in trouble, say a failure in a flight test, you are providing the basis for someone to make a decision affecting the program, such as, stretching it out with the obvious consequences: increased cost, lost time, and potentially, an impact on national security.

Q. As a project manager you sometimes told people senior to you that you were not going to shoot until you were ready. Now you have project managers working for you who will be confronted with the same situation. What are you going to tell them?

A. We have talked about that already. I made it clear, if there is any question whether they are ready or not, they should not go. It is better - and right - to be a few days late and be successful than on time and fail. The program impact on failure is much greater in time and dollars.

Q. How will you know if MIRADCOM is succeeding? Where will you look to see if things are going as you want them to?

A. First, we must look to our project-managed systems. They are the critical, high-dollar and high-visibility programs of the command. If we are going to succeed, we must meet program milestones... suc-



cessfully accomplish technical tasks on time and within the dollars available to us.

The next place to look is how well we do basic research and apply new technology to the improvement of current systems and the initiation of new systems...

Q. The order of those things, is that the way you wanted to say that: improve current systems first?

A. There's always a question about that. Do we improve current systems or do we start a new program? I think, in general, that we have reached the point - certainly with the bigger systems if not all of them - where we cannot afford complete system replacements and must be more efficient in extending the life of current systems through new technology. Eventually, we can get the capability of a new system through an evolutionary method rather than a complete new system to replace an old one. However, that concept only works if it is planned in advance and if you infuse the new technology in the current system in an orderly, timely manner. Unfortunately, with many of the systems in the field today, we're beyond the point of no return as far as evolving them into something that will meet the full requirements of the threat of the future...

If we are going to be successful in this, we have got to have long range planning and a

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strategy in each major area, such as anti-tank and air defense as to how we will upgrade and improve our capability to meet the future threat. We are working on the development of those strategies now...



Q. How far down can you really expect to see in the command? How will you know what's going on?

A. I was immediately struck with the tremendous diversity of the work in this command. There is neither time nor would it be right for me to try to get involved in the day-to-day activity of everything going on. It's impossible...I must rely on the chain of command in each area so that with appropriate guidance they can exercise their initiative, make decisions in a timely manner and successfully accomplish their portion of the mission. I have always been interested in a lot of detail and will continue to visit the elements of the command as often as I can. I have an open door policy, and that means that if anyone has something they want to pass on to me or something they want to talk about, they are encouraged to do so. With the major projects there are formal procedures to keep me up to date.

Q. Dr. McDaniel's decision to retire came as a surprise to most of us. Have you had a chance to consider a replacement?

A. I've known John McDaniel for years. There are not words to describe the esteem that I have for him. He's an unusual individual with great technical talent and management know how. He is a man who gets things done. I wish him and his family the very best in his new career, and thank him for his truly outstanding and dedicated service to the country, the Army, and especially to the missile commands at Redstone Arsenal. I have not decided yet what actions we'll take as a result of his departure.

Q. You've talked to your staff about the adverse environment we face today, cut-backs in funding, people programs and all the rest, and the need to turn things around. Do you believe we can do that?

A. Once you lose control and someone else above you assumes that control, it is very difficult to turn around. For whatever the reasons, tight money, or poor performance by the Army or DOD (perceived or actual), the fact is more and more people are getting into day-to-day activities of our business. I am convinced that is wrong. It is inefficient, and we simply must find ways to get it back under control and be successful once that happens. The only way I know to do it is to present a very convincing case that we know how to do our job, that we should be given the resources to do the job and be held accountable for our performance. Once you have achieved that, there is no substitute for success. We simply must do what we say we are going to do.

I look back at Patriot as a perfect example of that. In 1973-74, we in the Army basically lost control of the program. Through the actions taken by DOD, the program was redirected, funds were cut. Over the next three and one-half years, we recorded unparalleled program success that re-established the Army's credibility for the program and the Army's ability to manage it. No one questioned the program in 1977.

That's the kind of performance we must have in MIRADCOM if we are going to get the kind of stability we must have and the

kind of control that should be given back to us. So we have a two-fold problem . . . One is for people at my level to be able to convince the Army staff, DoD and the Congress that we can do our job. Once that's been done, it will take all the people in the command to prove that we can do it. It will not be easy to turn this around nor do I believe it will happen overnight, but I am certain it can be done and am dedicated to doing it.

There's a fundamental question about the cuts the Army, DARCOM and MIRADCOM have taken and that is: Have the cuts gone too far? Some people believe that is indeed the case. As I look at the manning requirements for our major projects and the other tasks that go on in the command...I am also concerned that we may have gone too far. That's another area I'm looking at and, if true, intend to develop a case for reconsideration by the Army. But...we will not turn it around by just saying: 'We can't take any more.' We must develop a very convincing case on what our capabilities and needs are.

Q. Transitioning a project from the R&D Command to the Readiness Command is turning out to be quite a problem isn't it?

A. Yes, I'd like to say we have a good answer...the face of the matter is, we don't. We are working closely with MIRCOM on this to develop alternatives...

Q. Are you in danger of having a solution imposed from above?

A. That is always possible when you don't solve your own problems. The problems are here, they must and will be solved here.

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McDaniel Farewell

There isn't much that Dr. John L. McDaniel hasn't experienced at Redstone after 35½ years—until now.

Tomorrow, the Army's top civilian here says goodbye!

A farewell ceremony is scheduled in the high bay at Bldg. 5400, starting at 2 p.m., and his family, several close military and civilian friends, and MIRADCOM employees are invited to join the Army in bidding farewell.

A reception will be held in Bldg. 5400 immediately after the ceremony. Attendance is by invitation only.

A dinner in his honor attended by friends from throughout the Army and Department of Defense, industry and the Huntsville community, was held Monday night at the Redstone Officer's Open Mess.

Dr. McDaniel is leaving the Army although he won't be leaving Huntsville permanently. He has signed a three-year contract with Hughes Aircraft as a consultant but has announced he will maintain a base of operations in Huntsville.

Payroll Up

The payroll for Army commands at Redstone and Huntsville will be boosted approximately \$16.1 million as a result of the 7.05 percent pay raise President Carter approved Friday for soldiers and federal employees.

That brings the total Army payroll here to approximately \$261 million annually.

Effective October 1, the raise should be reflected on checks received near the end of the month.

deal of help of course, but there can be no doubt in anyone's mind who would have been the first to walk the plank had the job been botched.

The World War II draftee who rose to two star rank never forgot how the world looks to the man in the ranks. Because of his concern for the welfare of the enlisted man and junior officer there are people at Redstone, frankly, who will be glad to see him go. Most of them are in service elements whose job it is to look after the needs of the soldier and his family. It is possible sometimes to forget that, but those who did in the past two years regretted it almost instantly.

The contrast between the Army he knew in World War II and the Army of today, in particular, the really basic things, how the soldier lives, interested him greatly. He was proud of the advances the Army had made, liked to show them to others. Not a few visiting VIP's looking forward to a quiet lunch at the Officers Club instead discovered themselves the general's guest at a table in a troop dining facility. The only thing that pleased him more than winning the Army's top award for food service last year, was beating the Marines as best marching unit in the monthly parade.

He took the responsibilities of the Mayor of the Redstone military community to heart. Those close to him know he is really pleased that he had been able to leave the

arsenal a better place than he found it. Careful to credit the work of previous commanders that meant more than \$18 million in new buildings completed in the past two years, he has worked hard to add to them. The new hospital has been a special interest. It is possible to conclude that the Troop Support Agency finally promised to build a new commissary to get him, at last, off their backs.

He has improved services to the constantly growing community of retired military personnel and their families, sensitive to their needs, anxious to hear their views. He rebuilt the bridges between the military and civilian communities so essential to continued successful Army operations at Redstone. In the process, he and Mrs. Turnmeyer discovered Huntsville and decided to stay.

There is something to be said too, about what it has meant to have a man who calls himself a professional logistician commanding a place that has always given its first priority and first affection to research and development.

He has a real appreciation for the men and women in the trenches, these with the unglamorous jobs who handle money, contracts, maintenance, supply, because that's the way he came up. It gave him an understanding of the real importance of those who pass the ammunition, what this business called readiness is all about.

He liked the job. All of it, the challenges, the problems, the ceremonies and best of all he like having the understanding and the trust of the soldiers and civilians who worked for him.

Gen. Guthrie Visits

General John R. Guthrie, Commander of the Army Materiel Development and Readiness Command (DARCOM), was scheduled to visit Army commands at Redstone this week.

General Guthrie was to speak tomorrow night at a dinner meeting of the Tennessee Valley Chapter of AUSA. Activities will begin at 6:45 in the Officer's Open Mess.

On Friday, the general will attend the MIRCOM Change of Command ceremony at 9 a.m. and later travel to MIRADCOM for a tour and briefings on Army missile activities.

Tickets for the AUSA dinner meeting are \$5.50 and may be obtained from Betty Whitman at 876-4414.

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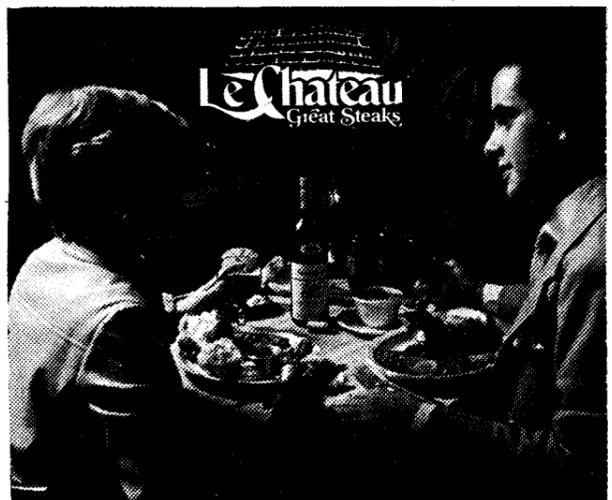
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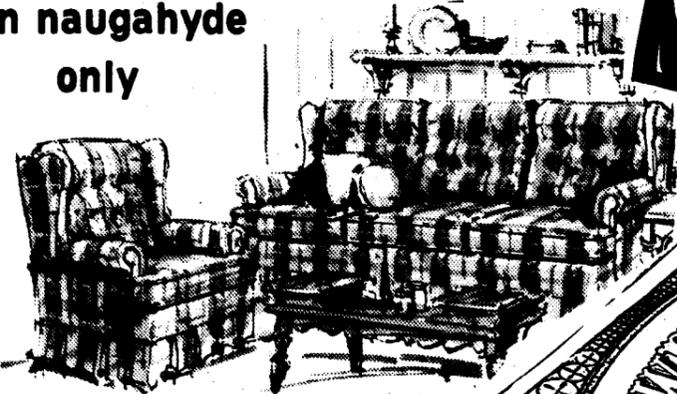
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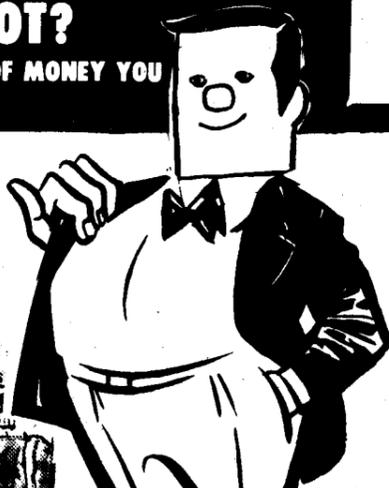
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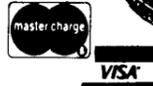
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Nichols Calls for Retirement Program Overhaul

By John Hart
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(ARNEWS) — Congressional hearings focusing on the overhaul of the military retirement system are expected to begin yet this month, according to Rep. Bill Nichols (D-Ala.), chairman of the House Armed Services Military Compensation Subcommittee.

"We have to do something about the blooming costs of retirement," Nichols said in an interview.

Defense Department retirement costs are estimated at \$9 billion annually, representing more than 8 percent of the Pentagon's budget.

"The entire military retirement program has to be reappraised in today's budget," Nichols said.

He said the initial hearings will focus on getting an overview of the military retirement program "and testimony from some of the associations."

Nichols does not expect in-depth hearings to get underway until after the President's Blue Ribbon Commission completes its review of the military compensation system next spring.

Whatever changes may be forthcoming in military retirement, Nichols firmly insists there will be "a grandfather clause" to protect the people now on active duty.

"I want no part of breaking promises to the people now on active duty," he said.

This means any changes made to the

retirement program would affect only those people who join the Armed Forces after enactment of legislation.

Nichols said that he cannot "gaze into a crystal ball" and project the outcome of the Blue Ribbon pay commission.

"I will be disappointed if the commission doesn't come up with some concrete proposals," he said.

"The tragedy of military pay and allowances," Nichols continued, "makes it very hard to take a pencil to the hodgepodge and make a comparison with the private sector."

Nichols said that it will be "at least two years before you see any legislation" if there are Blue Ribbon Commission recommendations to change the compensation system.

"Congress will want to take a long and hard look at any changes recommended by the Blue Ribbon Commission. The legislative process can be slow," Nichols said.

Nichols said that he was pleased with the American Federation of Government Employees union decision not to organize the military.

Nichols said that he would "lock horns" with the AFGE had it decided to organize the military. "Even though I'm a card carrying member of the union," Nichols said, "I would fight them like a tiger on this issue."

"Unions just have no place in the military," he said. Nichols feels that the

threat of military unionization is "temporarily on the shelf, but still alive."

On the subject of the All Volunteer Force, Nichols said that "unless Congress is willing to pay the price for it, I don't see how we can avoid having a civic rent (duty)."

After being wounded in World War II, Nichols was retired from the military. He is not particularly happy with the All Volunteer Force.

Nichols "firmly believes that everyone should pay their rent for the privilege of living in our country." He said that young people 18 and older should be required to perform some national service, but not necessarily in the military.

"National service could bind our country together," he said.

On the subject of providing travel entitlements for the dependents of junior enlisted grades, Nichols said that "it would be advantageous," but because of the budget squeeze he feels that there are higher priorities.

"Even though there is a squeeze on available dollars," Nichols said that he would remain "open-minded" on the subject.

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Addressing a Federal Women's Program seminar in Washington, Campbell said that women, blacks, and other minorities are underrepresented in the higher grades of Federal service, and that the Administration is committed to a more aggressive search for qualified women and minority candidates for top Federal jobs.

Several innovative ideas are already at work to resolve this important social and economic issue, he said.

"Important to this effort, and, I believe, to a proper understanding of the place of affirmative action in a system supposedly based on merit, is whether affirmative action programs are based on the proposition that they require 'watering down' or exceptions to merit principles, or whether they are 'part and parcel' of what a merit system is all about," he stressed.

"I firmly believe the latter is the case. Affirmative action requires a searching out, an expansion of the universe from which employees are drawn. It requires further a careful examination of what qualities should be sought in making employment decisions. All of this can only enhance and upgrade the quality of the public service. In short, I am thoroughly convinced that affirmative action and merit are complementary of each other, and you can't possibly have one without the other."
(Federal News)

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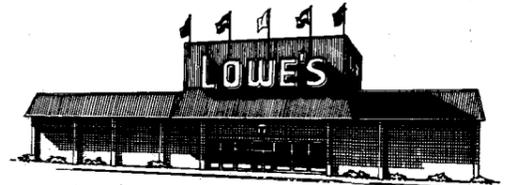
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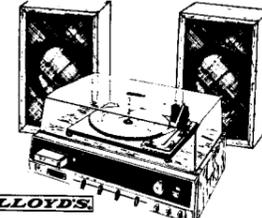
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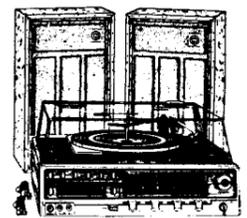
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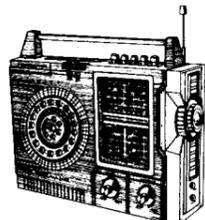
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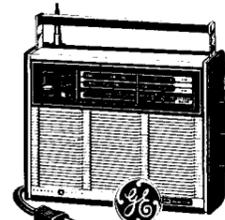
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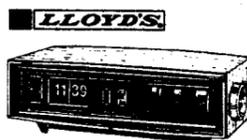
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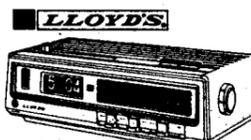
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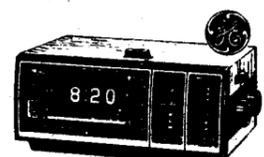
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 LYRIC: "Audrey Rose"... Rated PG. I am more against terror movies than porno. I think they're a terrible influence on children. I'd rather see someone kiss a breast than chop it off! "The Demon Seed"... Rated R.
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 TRANSLUX BLUE: "Thunder And Lightning"... We don't like David Carradine. Rated PG.
 TRANSLUX GOLD: "Misty Beethoven"... A "Show and Tell" that shows and tells. Rated X.
 UNIVERSITY CINEMA I: "Star Wars". Romance to infinity. Rated PG.

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 UNIVERSITY CINEMA III: "The Other Side Of Midnight"... Some tender love scenes... Murder... Drags a bit in places. The female star is gorgeous! Rated R.
 UNIVERSITY CINEMA IV: "Annie Hall"... A really truly funny movie! Diane Keaton is as good as Woody Allen. Rated PG.
 WESTBURY I: "I Never Promised You a Rose Garden"... Great acting by Kathy Quinlan. Rated R.
 WESTBURY II: "Jabberwocky"... "Sam" saw Monty Python and liked it, sorta, but we haven't seen it yet. Rated PG.

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"Sam" Says ... COUNTRY HOME FLORIST has so much to offer, I just don't know where to begin! As I told Patsy & Sadie the other day, I believe I could spend the better part of my day wandering around their shop and wishing! They did a Fall arrangement for us here in the office in brown & gold that is lovely ... really brightens the place up! They have beautiful candles in all colors, with candleholders in brass, enamelware, copper ... oh, speaking of brass, soon COUNTRY HOME FLORIST will have beautiful brass headboards, with accessories to go with them! Upstairs, you'll find their Wicker Room which will make you want to redecorate your home! For your fall and holiday entertaining, what would brighten your table more than a beautiful centerpiece made with tender loving care at COUNTRY HOME FLORIST? High school students ... go by COUNTRY HOME FLORIST and see the Homecoming display with banners from area schools. They're even into football season at COUNTRY HOME FLORIST! And you're all cordially invited to attend the Open House on Nov. 5, all day, and again on the 6th beginning at 1:00 that afternoon. We'll be telling you more about the Open House later. All of us are COUNTRY HOME FLORIST fans. They supplied the flowers for Suzy's daughters wedding, and they were beautiful! And they brighten our office every week with TWO lovely arrangements. Also, as Sadie says, "In your time of bereavement, call on us." They can be relied on to handle your floral needs for funerals, with casket covers, wreaths, etc. Stop by COUNTRY HOME FLORIST, 2011 Sparkman Dr., for all your floral needs.

INTRODUCTION TO SUZYS' ARTICLE ... by Dudley Powell, Jr. The whole staff and I are extremely proud of Suzy Lawler. When I hired her to work with us, she was a salesperson for The Entertainment Preview. Then, when we lost our first Editor and Co-founder, Suzy stepped in and has seen, during her seven months with us, The Entertainment Preview go from a small column to a full page, and one week, two full pages, when we had our Anniversary Issue. She has seen, and helped The Entertainment Preview to develop Powell Advertising Agency and Powell Public Relations, encompassing radio, television, organizing parades and reaching into almost every facet of the advertising business. Thanks to Suzy and the rest of our staff, we now do work out of town also. Suzy is NOT my girl, "Friday," which, in my opinion, is an insulting title for a Lady Executive! In fact, I'm getting ready to hire Suzy a "Girl Friday" to help her produce the column! She is responsible equally with me for this success. She and Cindy "Sam" Brown carry as much of the load as I do. Who else in the world has someone on their staff who actually lived on the Milky Way Farm? And what you don't understand is, this is only one of the many things that is fascinating about Suzy. She has also written numerous articles before coming with The Entertainment Preview. She also worked as an interior decorator and a commercial artist, and is the Mother of seven children, and is "The Sweetheart of The Entertainment Preview," the girl who organizes all of our articles, and gets them to the "Times" and the "Redstone Rocket" for publication. We are proud, beyond words, of this next article by Suzy, and as author and publisher, I have overridden our editor, Suzy, and declared it the best reporting job ever to appear in The Entertainment Preview. Hit it, Suzy!

"THE MILKY WAY" ... by Suzy. No, I'm not talking about the galaxy. I'm talking about people. life. wealth. far'e. empires. tragedies. and a

there, the whole house decorated with magnolia branches ... giant red ribbons entwining the staircases, and a tree that must have been 25 feet tall! The fireplaces all aglow, (there were three), and adding to the warmth of the house, where also gaily decorated. Such beauty I have never seen before ... I'll never live there again, but I have my memories ... Memories that will last a life time. Thank you, Mr. Frank Mars, for building that "Stairway To The Stars," where, over the years, memories have been made for thousands. Everyone seems to know about it, or have been to see it, but few have lived there. For five years it was my home ... my "MILKY WAY."

WELCOME "HUNTSVILLE DODGE" ... by Dudley Powell, Jr., and Staff. It is with a great deal of pleasure that Suzy, Cindy, Elaine, Bud and I welcome HUNTSVILLE DODGE to The Entertainment Preview, and as a customer of Powell Advertising Agency! We are very pleased to announce that they have selected us to handle their entire advertising program ... Just another leading company identifying with Powell Advertising and The Entertainment Preview! Now let's kick things off with some good information to start with! The "DODGE MEN," (you notice, I said "DODGE MEN"), for they will no longer be known as the "Dodge Boys," but as the "DODGE MEN AND WOMEN," are having a "CLEARANCE SALE," with the following values: 1977 DODGE Pick-up, 6 cylinder engine, and all factory equipment...\$3,634.09! 1977 DODGE pick-up, 6 cylinder, automatic transmission, all factory equipment...\$3952.64 1977 DODGE pick-up, 6 cylinder, 4 speed transmission, power steering and brakes ... \$4199.84. 1977 DODGE 4-wheel drive pick-up, V8 engine, short wheel base, Auto. transmission, air, step bumper, power steering, big wheels and tires, skid plate ... \$6482.81 1977 ASPEN, 4 door, slant six engine, AM radio, all factory equipment ... \$3766.15. 1977 ASPEN custom 4 door, V8, automatic, air, power steering and brakes, vinyl roof, deluxe insulation, AM radio ... \$4875.50. 1977 ASPEN, 2 door, slant 6 engine, automatic transmission, AM radio ... \$3948.83. 1977 ASPEN Special Edition Wagon, slant 6 engine, 60/40 seats, Auto. transmission, air, luggage rack, AM radio, power steering and brakes, and much more!...\$5399.20. THE FASTEST GROWING TRUCK COMPANY IN AMERICA!!! Uncle Dudley and Suzy were down, looking over the used cars the other day, and we purchased our first DODGE, a 1970 Chrysler, 4 door car, the kind that is hard to lay your hands on these days, with only 57,000 miles on it, and in excellent condition. The Entertainment Preview is real proud of our first DODGE, and we look forward to adding many more, until we have replaced all of our cars with DODGE automobiles! While we were there, we noticed a good selection of clean, used cars, of all types and varieties, so whatever your used, or new car needs are, we recommend HUNTSVILLE DODGE! The '78 DODGES will be arriving any day now. Suzy and I have had a "sneak preview," and are tremendously impressed with Chrysler Engineering! Suzy says that the DODGE ASPEN is the "neatest" little car she's ever seen, a luxurious small car! DODGE ASPEN is THE UNBELIEVABLE SMALL CAR, or my name's not "Uncle Dudley"! Go by HUNTSVILLE DODGE, on Wheeler Avenue. They're the "DODGE MEN AND WOMEN" with the NUMBER ONE AUTOMOBILES IN THE NATION!!

LAIRD ENTERPRISES, INC ... by Dudley Powell, Jr. Owned by Betty Laird and assisted by her husband, Mack, these are some of the most accomodating folks in town in handling your printing orders. The Entertainment Preview and Powell Advertising Agency are having several

THE ROUND TABLE...by "Sam". SALE...SALE...SALE! THE ROUND TABLE is having a fantastic sale on almost everything in the place, with savings up to 50% off. Jeff & Stanley Stephens can show you some of the most gorgeous rockers you've ever seen, and their mirrors are on sale at 25% off. This would be a perfect time to think about gift giving, which is just around the corner, and THE ROUND TABLE can please the most discriminating shopper. Stop by THE ROUND TABLE at 602 Jordan Lane & see what we mean!

"The Luncheon Quandary"...by "Sam"...Where to go to get a good lunch at a reasonable price...that's been the problem for most of us at one time or another. But I've found a solution! THE COTTAGE CUPBOARD! I wish I could just list their menu for you, and I'd need to say no more, but I can't. So let me just tell you that they have daily luncheon specials that will please ANYONE, with vegetabes, cornbread, and a delicious main dish. They serve pinto beans EVERY DAY, and they have platters such as ham steak, hot roast beef, etc. You "hot tamale" fans...THE COTTAGE CUPBOARD will begin serving their scrumptious hot tamales again on October 1st. THE COTTAGE CUPBOARD is conveniently located in the Woolco Shopping Center, and if you have a problem finding a good place for lunch from now on, THINK! Think COTTAGE CUPBOARD! Open from 6:00 A.M. 'til Midnight each day, and from 8:00 A.M. 'til 1:00 P.M. for breakfast on Sunday, THE COTTAGE CUPBOARD is the solution to your breakfast, lunch and dinner problems every day of the week!

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HUNTSVILLE HARLEY-DAVIDSON...by Dudley Powell, Jr. HARLEY-DAVIDSON is the type product I demand before I buy it, which means that it is an American made product! It's amazing to me that most people do not realize that the way to fight inflation, to fight shrinkage of the dollar, is to buy American made products! HARLEY-DAVIDSON has served this country in peace, and at war. During World War II, when HARLEY-DAVIDSON served here and overseas...when the Japanese bombed Pearl Harbor, it was HARLEY-DAVIDSON who sprung to the countrys' defense, putting it's selfish needs behind them, and all of it's capabilities into producing motorcycles for the war effort. HARLEY-DAVIDSON motorcycles served proudly wherever American forces went! After the war, and the surrender of the Japanese and Germans, HARLEY-DAVIDSON became the proud peacetime contributor to America again. In my opinion, HARLEY-DAVIDSON is one of the finest pieces of machinery produced in the world today, and the main point...American made! If the best is made in America, WHY NOT BUY IT???

VALLEY TRANSMISSION...by "Sam". ATTENTION CAR

late 20's, when Frank and Ethel Mars lived, in near poverty, in Chicago. Ethel made candy bars in her small kitchen, and Frank took them out on the streets and sold them for a nickle each, in order to make a living. The "Mars Bars" became so popular, and the demand so great, that eventually Frank Mars went on the road to sell their candy. Things were going so well, even at the peak of the depression, that he found himself traveling further and further south. One rainy night, while driving south on a Tennessee highway, he had a blow-out on his car. These days, most people wouldn't stop to help anyone on a dark, rainy night, but Frank Mars was lucky. A man stopped, helped him change his tire, and invited him to stay at his home for the night. Mr. Mars was so impressed with the warmth and hospitality of this man and his family that he told them if he ever got "rich" he was going to move down there and build a mansion! Well, he got "rich," moved nine miles north of Pulaski, Tennessee, bought 2700 acres in the beautiful, rolling hills of Giles County, Tennessee, and proceeded to make his dream come true. At that time, the country and hills were very, very rocky ... people were very, very poor, and Frank Mars was very, very helpful, in that he helped "save" Giles County in many ways. Here are just a few examples. In order to help the people, he employed 1700 men, at 50c a day, to HAND BAKE the whole 2700 acres! In order to dispose of the rocks, he employed other men to "Stack them, then build a barn until the rocks run out" ... then to another location, another pile of rocks, and another barn! Around 1929, Mr. Mars built his mansion, which burned shortly thereafter. The "old timers" told me he had men out early the next morning, staking off an area for a new mansion! Well folks, the "mansion" is truly that! Tudor in style, being built with huge rocks from the farm, Chestnut, hand-hewn beams, inside and out, solid oak paneling four inches thick, red tile roof, imported from England, custom made carpeting from Germany ... Fifty magnolia trees surround the present home, which take your breath away when in full bloom! Everything Frank Mars did, he did in STYLE! Folks tell me that he rode his favorite horse all over the farm overseeing the work that was being done, stopping to chat with the workers and being a friend to all. He was a deeply respected man in Giles County. When the "Manor House," as it is called now, was completed in 1932, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mars, and children, moved in. Grand parties were given there, with people coming from all over, some on the train, which stopped at the "Milky Way Station." There they were greeted by cars or carriages, and whisked away to the "Clubhouse" for the festivities! Also on the farm, besides countless barns of all shapes and sizes, are many smaller homes, massive horse barns with walnut paneling and sparkling chandeliers, horse training areas, an imported, (soils), race track, a large heated swimming pool and a regulation tennis court. Unfortunately, Frank Mars only lived to enjoy his mansion for less than two years. Before he died, he requested that a mausoleum be built on the highest hill for his final resting place, which the family did. It is a beautiful place, one where I have sat in peace, and dined on bread and cheese and wine, and overlooks the whole farm, including the "Manor House." He loved this place ... with a passion, he loved it! Later, his body and the whole mausoleum were removed, taken back up north, and re-entombed there, much to the dismay of the people who knew him. I know I have wished that he had been left on that hill he loved so much, but of course, I don't know the circumstances, so who am I to judge? Over the years, the Milky Way Farm was sold, several times, and acre by acre, broken down, so that the main part of the farm, when I lived there, was 862 acres. But it was, and is, a beautiful place. The "Manor House" has 25,000 square feet of living space. It has a living room you could put a large house in, roof and all! A fireplace large enough to practically walk into, huge beams in the Tudor tradition, red carpet, forty foot ceilings ... The dining room is probably larger than the living room. Mr. Mars had a massive solid oak dining table built, that measures 36 by 14 feet. When extended to its full length, it will comfortably seat 52 people! (Yes, I've had it FULL a few times!) There are 21 bedrooms, 12 baths, a huge foyer, a tremendous library, a rec room downstairs, balconies overlooking the living room from the north and south wings, a sun room, a huge screened in porch, where we used to eat at night, with a breeze and the smell of magnolias floating all over the house ... and a newly remodeled kitchen that is equipped to feed an army! Early morning is beautiful at "The Milky Way." Upstairs, at the south end of the house, is the sun room, which overlooks the farm. Sometimes fog hangs over the low parts of the farm, making a truly eerie, but beautiful sight to behold! The first winter I lived there it snowed ... a big snow! Words cannot describe the beauty and the splendor of it all. I would sit for hours, looking at the magnolia trees, heavy with snow, waxy green leaves and red cones showing through. Christmas was beautiful

booklets, making suggestions of color, and helping us in many other printing and creative ideas! I have known them for years, as I have said before, and find it to be a real pleasure to work with them. Next door to our friends Viki-Rose Ceramics, who, have given us many good reports about LAIRD ENTERPRISES, INC.! They've watched the business grow, and always have nice things to say about LAIRDS. Betty and Mack will settle for nothing less than perfect when doing a job! They know that a small thing like a business card will end up in the hands of thousands, therefore they want their name to be associated with perfection! And perfection it is, at LAIRD ENTERPRISES, INC., located at 4218 Oakwood Ave., NW. Go by today for that special job. See their new equipment, and meet Betty and Mack Laird, of LAIRD ENTERPRISES, INC.!!

SHELBY COLE'S MOBILE HOMES ... by "Sam." Tired of throwing your money away on rent, but think you can't afford a home of your own? Think again! At SHELBY COLE'S MOBILE HOMES, you CAN afford a new home, in the decor you choose, with built-in appliances & luxury galore! SHELBY COLE'S MOBILE HOMES has north Alabama's largest selection of mobile homes to choose from, and some of the finest mobile homes on the market today! Such names as Franklin, Pacer, and Freedom Living, to name a few ... quality from one end of these homes to the other! Located at 3501 S. Memorial Parkway, SHELBY COLE'S MOBILE HOMES is open 8:30 A.M. to 8:00 P.M., Monday through Saturday, and 1:00 'til 6:00 on Sunday. As Shelby Cole says, "Service is our reputation," and at SHELBY COLE'S MOBILE HOMES, you can rely on both!

TOM SHARP TIRE SERVICE ... by Dudley Powell, Jr. ... Like any good tire service, TOM SHARP TIRE SERVICE does a lot more than just sell tires! When you take your car there and want to have new tires put on, if the front end is not aligned properly, and the tires aren't balanced, and the bearings packed as they need it on the front wheels, you'll find that your new tires, after 4 or 5 thousand miles, are worn sideways on the front tires, and your car is shaking! So, take your car by TOM SHARP TIRE SERVICE, get him to put on new tires and balance them, align your front end, check your spare to see if it needs replacing, and if it doesn't, just balance it, air your tires up properly, possibly replace some fan belts, and get rid of that winter trouble that's bound to be on the way! While your car's there, have Tom check your battery and all of the things it takes to make your car perform well in winter. The streets are going to be slick, and accidents will be happening more often if your tires are in poor condition. UNIROYAL makes the best tires, and when they're put on by TOM SHARP, it makes a "One-Two Punch" that can't be beat!

"Sam" Says... When you hear the name HALL'S CUSTOM DRAPERY, what do you think of? Draperies? Well, I can attest to the fact that HALL'S is much more than that! Like carpets, wall paper, upholstery fabrics, drapery rods & hardware...and entire interior design service, with FREE decorating consultation! Of course they can fix you up with custom draperies, spreads, cornices, valances, swags, Austrian or Roman drapes, and a complete selection of decorative accessories from small items such as throw pillows, up to large items like Italian gold leaf rope occasional furniture. As well as mini-blinds, woven wood shades, and window shades! With the latest fall fabrics, in-stock for faster service, the latest equipment available in the Southeast, and four interior decorators to serve you, I think we can safely say that Jack & Eleanor Hall of HALL'S CUSTOM DRAPERY can do a complete interior decorating job for you for the holiday entertaining you have planned! I heard a customer telling Jack & Eleanor that everyone who comes into her home raves about her draperies, and she tells them all they were custom made for her at HALL'S CUSTOM DRAPERY.

LANDMARK GALLERY OF HOMES...by "Sam". Attention North Huntsville! The new office of LANDMARK GALLERY OF HOMES, located on Mastin Lake Rd., 2 blocks west of the Parkway, is set for Oct. 1. Margo Turner & staff will be moving from the old Pulaski Pike office into 4400 square feet of luxury to serve North Huntsville better. The folks at LANDMARK GALLERY OF HOMES feel that the secret of serving you best is to specialize in the area in which they work & live. Let's face it, if they live there, they're much more familiar with schools, shopping areas, etc., and can better assist you in your housing needs. But that's not all! A new LANDMARK GALLERY OF HOMES is opening around the same time on Jordan Lane, between Sparkman Dr. & Grizzard Rd. next to the 3 Dee Food Store, with Jim Holland at the helm. We'd like to welcome Sara Reese & Edith Felker back to LANDMARK on Jordan Lane. Stop by any LANDMARK GALLERY OF HOMES and let them help you.

transmission tuned up as it is to have your oil changed regularly? It is! Not only that, a transmission tune-up should be done every 12,000 miles. A \$12.00 transmission tune-up can save you HUNDREDS of dollars in the long run, and at VALLEY TRANSMISSION, Stan will be happy to inspect your car FREE! Stan Hall of VALLEY TRANSMISSION. Maybe you didn't know about transmission tune-ups, but now you do, so stop by VALLEY TRANSMISSION, 2221 S. Pkwy., and save \$\$\$!

A GOOD BOOK STORE... by Dudley Powell, Jr. A GOOD BOOK STORE, on the Court House Square, is just what the name implies, A GOOD BOOK STORE, where you can get a variety of books that you would be unable to get at "chain" book stores! A place that carries the books that were well known some time ago, and are not on the "best-seller" list now, that you enjoyed or missed reading when they were popular, you can still get at A GOOD BOOK STORE! For the largest and most complete selection of books in north Alabama, I personally recommend that you go in and browse, select the book of your choice, maybe sit and talk with Tom Paul, and acquaint yourself with any subject within the realms of your imagination, via A GOOD BOOK STORE! **MASTER TUNE...** by Dudley Powell, Jr. You know, it's amazing to me that so many people...environmentalists and energy conservationists are running around, talking about saving energy, with their cars poorly tuned! A tune up, about every 10 or 12 thousand miles will make a car perform better, use less fuel, and you'll get more pleasure out of it. When ANY of OUR cars need tune ups, we take them to MASTER TUNE. Old cars, new cars, all of them perform better when properly tuned, and MASTER TUNE, with their technology, can tune a car quicker, faster and cheaper, replacing all of the parts that have worn out and actually need replacing. Besides myself, the members of our staff who have used MASTER TUNE are Suzy, Cindy, Elaine, Bud and my son, Dud, and we are all pleased with the results. Go by MASTER TUNE, for the right way, the only way, to get a tune up!

HALE BROTHERS FURNITURE COMPANY... by Dudley Powell, Jr. We, are very enthusiastic about HALE BROTHERS FURNITURE COMPANY! Also about the downtown area in general, and we appreciate the many nice comments about our downtown article. The thing that makes HALE BROTHERS FURNITURE COMPANY successful is that they know the needs of their customers, communicate with them and continue to offer the type furniture that their customers relate to! The middle priced furniture! NOT cheap furniture, yet not furniture that costs an arm and a leg to buy! If you want a sofa, you can buy 25 types at HALE BROTHERS. If you want chairs, they have literally 100's to select from. Also accessories, lamps, tables...anything you could ask for! Take it from Suzy, who should know, HALE BROTHERS FURNITURE COMPANY has a delightful and complete selection of furniture and accessories for your home!

DATLINE, "BIG M ACRES"... by Dudley Powell, Jr. You know, I've said a lot in this column about "Past performance predicts future performance". The next time you're riding by the "Coca-Cola" Bottling Company, notice all of the garages, storage space, and all of the other buildings, except the main building. About 15 years ago, Mr. Jack Chambers had Dudley Powell, Sr. down to build a "paint booth", and before Dudley Powell, Sr. left the Coca-Cola Bottling Company, he had literally done hundreds of thousands of dollars in construction for Mr. Chambers! He had him build 20 garages, pour concrete over many hundreds of square feet, construct a drainage ditch out of the Coca-Cola Bottling Company into Penhook Creek, build retaining walls and many, many other improvements to the Coca-Cola Bottling Company. In fact, nearly all of the improvements on the property, except the main building, were built by Dudley Powell, Sr. Also, during the time he was there, Dudley Powell, Sr. was added to the Coca-Cola board of directors. As it happened, Mr. Chambers liked what he saw in Dudley Powell, Sr. and consequently, my Dad ended up working there all summer! With Otha, the chauffeur, picking him up at 4:30 in the morning, he would stay down there 'til about 10:00 o'clock at night. Mr. Jack Chambers was a very successful man, and knew another one when he saw one. What I am suggesting is that you tap this source of wisdom and energy, and purchase a lot on "BIG M ACRES", where they have one thing that no other planned community has...Dudley Powell, Sr.! President of the John Gerber Department Stores in Memphis, Tennessee, a lawyer, a construction man, a super-extraordinaire, with many other types of experience under his belt! Lots on "BIG M ACRES", with City of Huntsville water, City of Huntsville fire-hydrants, and planned by Dudley Powell, Sr. are a darned good investment! Call Dudley Powell, Sr., 776-2913, for an appointment today!

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Tennis Catches On at School



Cadet First Lieutenant Adelia Griggs, Alabama A&M University ROTC, relays the football in the 119 mile Marathon Relay from Normal to Jacksonville State Univ. recently. Thirty-eight A&M ROTC cadets participated in the marathon, which kicked off the football season for the Bulldogs. The first leg of the relay was run by Colonel Verle B. Hammond, professor of Military Science at A&M. The cadets completed the marathon in less than 12 hours.

The two people stand poised and ready, staring intently at each other. One reaches up and in one deft movement fires a small furry ball across to his opponent. With an equally smooth swing, the ball is fired back. The crowd watches pensively and not a sound can be heard, save for the quiet popping sound as racket meets ball in this game called tennis.

One of the fastest growing sports in the U.S. today, tennis is no longer a sport for only the elite, but it has now become a popular interest of municipal courts, high schools, and also the Army.

This year, MMCS had its first taste of team tennis at company level. Specialist Four Betsy Condon, S-3, School Brigade, coordinator of team tennis for the school said the program went very well.

"I think it was very successful," she said. "There was lots of interest in the companies. No team had to forfeit during the entire season. It's the first time to my knowledge that we went into team competition where there were no referees. We went on an honor system, and there were no complaints."

There were some weak points in the program. One was that there was virtually no female participation.

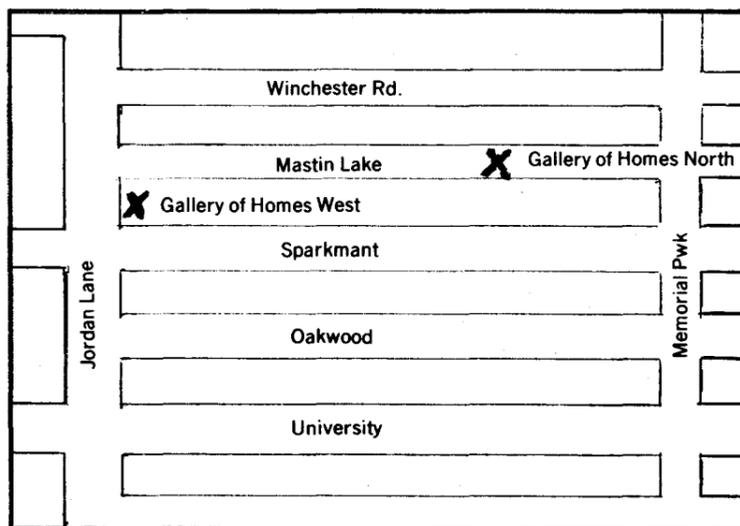
"One of the weak parts of the tennis program was that there was only one female participant, Vickie Smith from Company A," Condon said. "You can't fault the companies, because if there's no women assigned to a unit, you cannot get them on a team."

Nine teams participated in this year's program. Each team accumulated points through doubles and singles competition. Each team played one singles match and one doubles match; however, next year, plans are to change it to two singles and one doubles. Condon said that the change would increase competition as the point value on both would be the same.

Another change indicates that team tennis will also be added to other sports for the Commanding General's All Sports Trophy—Recreation Services will be taking over team tennis next year.

Despite all problems, Condon said that team tennis went well. "From all indications everyone enjoyed it. We do need to make some changes, however, we are now in a much better situation to revise it for next year than we were at the start of this past season."

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In Furniture Country

Rockets Blast Leighton, 20-9 in Season Opener

The post football team, led by a strong defensive squad, opened its regular season with a strong 20-9 victory over Leighton township at Redstone's football field Saturday night.

Headed by the relentless tackling of linebacker Jeff Dixon, who made 14 unassisted tackles in the first half alone, the Rocket defense was able to contain a speedy Leighton offense, and set up the offensive team for some good scoring opportunities. Prentis Thomas, Ronald Brewer, and Mike Maurna were also outstanding Rocket defensemen.

The defensive squad also scored the first Rocket touchdown. With only two minutes gone in the first quarter, defensive back Mike Maurna intercepted a pass at the Leighton 35-yard line and scampered past several opposing players to put Redstone on the boards. Ali Sleiman kicked for the extra point, making the score 7-0. Leighton had several chances to tie the score in the quarter, but some sloppy play and a great block by Mike Maurna nullified any chance for the visiting team to score.

Leighton got on the scoreboard early in the second quarter with a field goal from the seven yard line, closing the gap to four points. Redstone immediately fumbled on the return, setting up Leighton's only touchdown. Only two plays after Leighton recovered the ball, super quick running back Ossie Jones streaked in from the 20-yard line to put his team ahead 9-7.

Leighton's lead, however, was not to last long. Redstone's James McDonald received the kick, and then raced 90 yards, completely eluding half a dozen opposing players, to put the Rockets ahead for good. The extra point try failed, and the score at the end of the first half was 13-9, Redstone.

Neither team could muster a sustained

drive in the third period. In fact, all either team received until late in the fourth quarter was a lot of penalties and a few injuries.

Redstone iced the game late in the final quarter when quarterback Ronnie Hooser,

who passed very little in the game, unloaded a perfect strike to his twinbrother, Randy, at the 20-yard line. Randy ran the rest of the way, ending Leighton's hopes of tying the score. The Hooser to Hooser touchdown was especially noteworthy because it was the third consecutive game in which the pair have combined to score. The other two touchdowns the brothers made were in exhibition contests. Ali Sleiman again booted the extra point, and the game ended 20-9.

The Rockets next game will be against the Huntsville Chargers on Saturday at the post field.

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4th SC	0	1	.000	0	6
6th SC	0	1	.000	0	20

	West		PCT.	PF	PA
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291st MP	2	0	1.000	28	15
Meddac	1	0	1.000	12	0
Co. B	1	0	1.000	6	0
Co. A	1	1	.500	28	20
Marines	0	1	.000	7	14
Mircom	0	1	.000	6	20
7th SC	0	2	.000	0	18

Last Weeks Games

8th SC 1, Raytheon 0 (OT)
 291st MP 14, Co. A 8
 5th SC 20, 6th SC 0
 Co. B 6, 7th SC 0
 Co. A 20, Mircom 6
 291st MP 14, Marines 7
 Meddac 12, 7th SC 0
 Raytheon 6, 4th SC 0
 8th SC 18, 5th SC 0

GAMES THIS WEEK

Tonite		Monday
6:00 95th SVC vs. 8th SC		6:00 5th SC vs. Co. C
7:15 Marines vs. 7th SC		7:15 6th SC vs. 4th SC
8:30 4th SC vs. Co. C		8:30 7th SC vs. Mircom
Thursday		Tuesday
6:00 Raytheon vs. 6th SC		6:00 Co. B vs. 291st MP
7:15 Marines vs. Co. B		7:15 Raytheon vs. 95th SVC
8:30 291st MP vs. Mircom		8:30 Co. C vs. 6th SC

Knights Win, 13-6

The Redstone Knights of the JR Pee Wee football division (80 pound limit) again displayed their offensive power and defeated the Madison Rams 13 to 6 in a game played September 19 at Bob Jones High School in Madison.

Both teams went into the game undefeated, but Madison was unable to stop the running game of the Knights.

Chad Kimal, alternated with Duane Nuby, in directing the Knight offense that gained 186 yards and posted 13 points. Michael Blann carried the ball six times for 99 yards including a 60 yard burst through the middle for a touchdown. The point after was added by Nuby who also carried 9 times for 24 yards. Kimel picked up 59 yards on 11 carries and scored the other t.d.

Redstone's defense limited the Rams to 38 yards and did not permit the Ram offense to score. The six points posted by Madison came on a blocked kick recovered in the end zone.

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Scouts Make Eagle

Two members of Redstone Arsenal's Boy Scouts of America Troop 234 were recently promoted to the organization's highest rank at an Eagle Scout Court of Honor here.

Tim Atkinson and Will Thompson received the Eagle Charge and Award from Colonel Edwin A. Rudd. The commandant of the Missile and Munitions Center and School urged the new Eagle Scouts to continue to show the initiative and responsibility needed to attain their rank. He noted the Scouts' lives should be an example for others to follow.

According to Assistant District Commissioner Sigrid Benson, only three per cent of all Boy Scouts achieve Eagle rank, the capstone of a program emphasizing initiative and responsive leadership.

The ceremony also included promotions to Star Scout - Doug Barclay, Don Lacquement and Billy Wise; Andy Crochet and Jeff Jones to First Class, Toby Atkinson to Second Class and David Brannon to Tenderfoot.



KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK — Colonel Edwin A. Rudd congratulates

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17-514	Data Structures	MW 6:50-9:00 p.m.	Covelli
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Commissary Holiday

The Redstone commissary will be closed Saturday, Oct. 8, as well as Monday, Oct. 10.

Commissary officials explained that their employees are not getting two holidays. Commissary employees work Tuesday through Saturday, so when a holiday falls on Monday, their holiday is on the preceding Saturday.

They do not work on Mondays.

One of These Days . . .

Peace...Fiesta... Mr. Lincoln...Tropicana...First Prize.... These are the passions of Bill Broach.

They're roses. The P & P Directorate engineer has been raising show-quality roses for eight years, ever since a friend showed Broach a bed of his flowers. "I said to myself, 'I can grow them as good as that,' and started."

Broach had to leave his original beds when he moved several years ago. The present ones are now about two years old, and already producing prize-winning flowers. Broach said, "I made 15 entries in the fair, recently, and placed with nine of them, three each in first, second, and third."

One reason Broach selected roses for his gardening was their productivity. "They have a long growing season, and will keep producing flowers throughout it. It takes most stems anywhere from 30 to 40 days to bud and blossom, and many continue even when the cold has stopped other flowers." Ironically, the largest

nursery for the fragil-looking blooms is in the cold northwest of Oregon. Broach obtains most of his plants from Texas and Oregon.

"The greatest problem in growing roses," he continued, "is keeping them disease and pest-free. Things like aphids and blackspot are continuous, but if you keep them under control, the flowers will pretty much take care of themselves."

A member of the nationwide American Rose Society and past president, vice-president, and show chairman of the Twickingham Rose Society of Huntsville, Broach says his hobby keeps him very popular at work, since he can constantly bring blossoms and bouquets to the ladies of his office.

Only one thing has eluded him in his horticultural career, that being top prize at any rose display, the "Queen of Show" award. but he philosophically says, "One of these days, maybe I'll make it."



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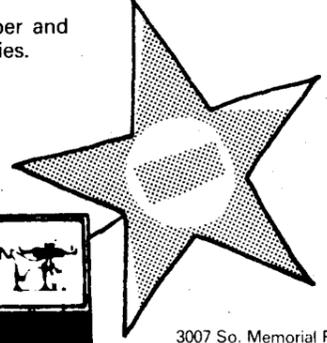
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Sylvester Hangs It Up

Another old timer is leaving Redstone. Sylvester Love, whose face became very familiar to hundreds of people at Redstone over his 32 years of employment here has decided to "hang it up", his way of saying he is going to retire.

Most recently Love was a mail clerk in the Civilian Personnel Division, but he had been a messenger between Personnel and major Arsenal buildings so long that he was well known in many areas. He said he used to make four trips a day as a messenger over a span of six years.

His first employment was in the Ammo Division of Redstone Arsenal when it was a separate installation from Huntsville Arsenal.

"When the Ammo Division phased down, they sent me to Personnel and I was

selected to be a janitor there, next I was a supply clerk, then I got the messenger job and driving for the Civilian Personnel Officer, Jack McConaha. When he retired I didn't have to drive anymore," he said.

"It's hard to say what has been the most entertaining job I've had - I suppose it was the one as a mail clerk. I enjoyed sorting the mail and seeing the people who came to pick it up. The worst job I had was helping maintain railroad tracks when Huntsville Arsenal was closing."

In addition to travel and fishing, Love plans to do some cabinet work - "But I don't want to be tied down with a lot of cabinet work - just what I feel like doing," he said.

His effective date of retirement is today. His co-workers in Personnel honored him at a farewell party last Friday.



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Decatur Golfer Wins OWC Event

Hunter's Briefings

The final orientation sessions for individuals who hunt on Redstone Arsenal during the 1977-78 season have been set for October 1 and 9.

Persons who apply for permission to hunt on the 38,000 acre installation, including those who hope to take part in the gun hunts for antlerless deer, must present proof that they attended an orientation.

The orientation covers special arsenal hunting rules and instructions on how to apply for permission to hunt. It takes about 30 minutes.

Both sessions will begin at 1 p.m. and be held on the grounds of the Redstone Rod and Gun Club in the northeast corner of the intersection of Martin and Patton Rds. Those entering the arsenal should use gate one on Martin Rd. off South Memorial Parkway.

As a convenience to those who attend, Arsenal game wardens will sell the special \$5 permit required to fish and hunt on the installation. Proceeds from the sale of the permits go to improve fishing and hunting on the arsenal.

Members of the Rod and Gun Club will sell state hunting licenses at the orientations. Persons hunting on the arsenal must have both the state license and arsenal permit in possession.



Joanne Mullinix, of Burningtree Country Club, Decatur, was champion of the Officers' Wives Club invitational golf tournament last week. She won following a three-hole playoff with Maisie Stripling of Valley Hill.

Both players parred the first two holes of sudden death, then Mullinix made par on the five-shot third hole, while Stripling bogeyed.

Bonnie Bryan of Florence finished third in the championship flight.

Marian Deppensmith, OWC champion, won the first flight, with Linda Littlefield of Burningtree and Carol Saccuzzo of Redstone taking low net and second low net honors.

Other winners include:

Second Flight—Connie Neller, Valley Hill, low gross; Bev Payne, RSA, low net; Martha Landers, Valley Hill, second low net. Third Flight—Virginia Payne, RSA, low gross; Nellie Aldridge, Florence, low net; June Young, RSA, second. Fourth—Jerry Phelps, Valley Hill, low gross; Marie Melochick, RSA, low net; Jenny Chambers, Florence, second. Fifth—Edna Hodges, RSA, low gross; Jo Donley, RSA, low net; Florence Teir, RSA, second.

Sixth—Mary Parker, RSA, low gross; Camille Schlendering, RSA, low net; Betty Lou Ivy, Valley Hill, second. Seventh—Betty Weeks, Vestavia, low gross; Carol Gable, Indian Oaks, low net; Maggie Bennett, RSA, second. Eighth—Ivy Pencola, RSA, low gross; Margaret McBrearty, RSA, low net; Skid Clark, RSA, second. Ninth—Liz Perkins, Florence, low gross; Linda Belew, Indian Oaks, low net; Eleanor Roy, Huntsville, second.

STANDINGS

Bushwackers	20
Leathernecks	16
Lucky Strikes	14
Exasperators	14
Strike-Outs	12
School Brigade	12
Meddacs	10
Swingers	8
Kuwait Keglers	8
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WEDNESDAY RESULTS

Bushwackers — 8	Meddacs — 0
School Brigade — 6	Leathernecks — 2
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Exasperators — 4	Lucky Strikes — 4
Black Jacks — 4	Swingers — 4

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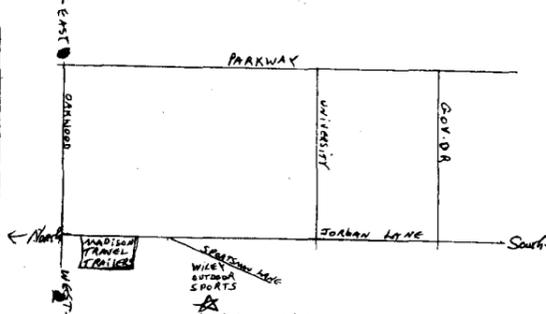
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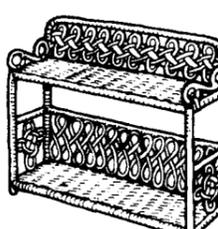
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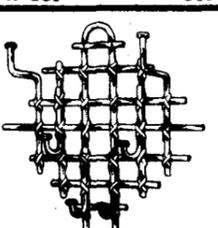
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Shuster, who pedals his bicycle an average of 300 miles per week, or roughly 15,000 miles per year, is training for the 1980 Olympics. He has been training long and hard for the last seven months to get into shape for the stiff competition he'll face in the spring 1980 trials.

"My goal is to be one of the top four riders in the country by then," declared Shuster, who works as an air traffic controller at the RSA Airfield. "If I am, it would automatically put me on the team. I know I've got the potential, I've just got to put a lot of hard work into it."

Hard work is one thing the 5 feet 10, 165-pound cyclist has put into the sport so far. Nine months ago he joined the United States Cycling Federation, which rates cyclists from class four, the lowest rating,



to class one, a class that only the best cyclists in the country ever achieve.

It usually takes a dedicated member two years to reach the coveted number one position. It took Shuster only a few months to progress from fourth class to first.

"I felt like I was really good at it," said the 20-year-old cyclist. "I seemed to have early success, so I went to it full time. I guess I've done better than I ever expected."

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Equipment costs aren't the most expensive part of competitive cycling—traveling to the various race sites is. Shuster, who competes in races as far as 500 miles away almost every weekend, said that traveling costs, lodging, and food are his worst expenses.

It's such an expensive sport, and you've got to do it all alone. Just a few weeks ago the engine on my Volkswagon van blew up while coming back from a race. The whole sport just takes a lot of money," he said.

The races Shuster competes in are usually 40 to 100 miles long. In the 30 races he has entered, he has finished first, three times, second, three times, and third, twice. Most of those top finishes have come in his later meets. "I'm a lot better than I was a few months ago," he said.

With three years to go before the 1980 games in Moscow, Shuster could well be one of America's top riders. He is a dedicated and hard working athlete. Don't be surprised to see him on national television with a medal hanging from his neck when those 1980 games roll around.

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OMB Announces Federal Ceilings

(Federal News)

The Office of Management and Budget announced that new ceilings for full-time civilian employees have been approved by President Carter for Federal government departments and agencies.

Over-all reductions from planned employment levels in the January budget proposal amount to nearly 18,000 full-time permanent positions for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1977, and 38,000 for the following year.

The new totals, excluding the Postal Service, are approximately 1,933,700 for fiscal 1977 and 1,917,200 for 1978.

Because ceilings represent an upper limit not usually reached in most agencies, actual employment is expected to be under assigned levels.

OMB Director Bert Lance said each department and major agency was viewed independently, in keeping with the

President's program priorities and his goal of holding employment to the minimum necessary to operate the government effectively.

While an across-the-board approach was avoided, cutbacks from planned levels are 1 percent for fiscal 1977 and 2 percent for 1978 on a government-wide basis.

In notifying departments and agencies of revised ceilings, Lance said the government-wide hiring limitation has been lifted. President Carter had instructed agencies on March 1 to limit new appointments to no more than three of every four vacancies until new ceilings were established.

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THE HOME HAS EVERYTHING — This custom built home by present owners is located in excellent neighborhood convenient to schools and ready to occupy? 3240 sq. ft. of livable area offers 5 bedrooms plus study, formal living and dining 14' marble foyer huge den with fireplace built-in gun rack and bookshelves, country kitchen, breakfast room, 3 baths (2 with marble vanities), in side laundry and hobby area, oversized double garage, 24x16 redwood deck overlooking private wooded lot that's almost an acre. (S8904) 883-1200

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WHY NOT MOVE UP — Want your investment to appreciate while you're enjoying it every day? Then move into this upper brick home in the S.E. with all the conveniences and amenities a home can afford. The outstanding lot in a prime location is ideal for playing or gardening, and only minutes from schools and downtown. Take time to check this one out. (C7702)

MARTHA DRIVE S.E. — Real nice 4 bedroom, 2 1/2 baths, formal dining, study, 2 fireplaces, den, rec room, inside laundry, deck & patio, storm windows, double garage. Large wooded lot (M7705)

A TRULY REMARKABLE HOME — This 4 bedroom Spanish Rancher is remarkable home situated in the middle of Jones Valley. Features include, Thermo Pane Window, custom finished wood Thru-out, Exceptional Large Bedroom, Formal Living & Dining Room, Special Features in the Kitchen, Separate Breakfast Room & much more in this 4400 S.E. (W-923) 533-1490

TAX SHELTER for horse lovers — Here is what you've been waiting for. 90 acres, 100x48 ft. stable with 19 stalls, tack room, wash room, office, 2 ponds, fenced and cross fenced, fence, 45 acres cleared, beautiful building sites, 3 bedroom house, 5 bedroom mobile home, excellent tax shelter. \$88,000 (RT #1 UG) 883-1200

BROWNS CREEK: On the Water — This 3100 sq. ft. cedar and brick A-Frame offers den w/stone fireplace plus rec room and study. Formal living, very large formal dining, built-in kitchen, sunny breakfast room, huge loft master suite with circular staircase, 2 other bedrooms. Situated on 2 1/2 lovely acres. Boat house with electric lift. Large cedar 2-car garage and separate cedar workshop. 883-1200

ATHENS, AL. — Custom-built 2800 sq. ft. 2 year old home situated on 9 beautiful acres. Brick & cedar construction, home features 3 huge bedrooms, large living room, separate informal dining, tremendous den with fireplace, heated & furnished separate garage plus 18 x 24 cedar barn. Many custom extras. \$89,900. 30 additional developed acres available. For more information and an appointment to see this lovely country home.

TWICKENHAM DISTRICT — Spacious two-story brick home, beautiful setting on 1/2 acre lot near downtown. 4 bedrooms, large living and dining rooms, sun parlor, enclosed sleeping porch, laundry room, six fireplaces & six porches, central heating, large attic & basement, 10' ceilings throughout, needs only decorating and some remodeling work completed. \$89,900. (L402) 533-1490

FANTASTIC — Hobbs Island Rd. — Located on 4.3 acres of beautiful land with a pond. This huge (5252 sq. ft.) all brick basement rancher has so very much to offer and yet is very close to South Huntsville. Very large entry, large living room, large dining room, large den with fireplace, huge rec room, 4 bedrooms, 3 baths, parlor downstairs, huge kitchen downstairs, inside utility room, patio covered, double garage. Ideal for people with antiques who need large rooms. By appointment only. \$120,000.

SETTING HIGH ATOP MONTE SANO on 2.6 acres overlooking a beautiful valley is a large log cabin complete with screened porch, parlor, kitchen, bedrooms, bath, and servants quarters. Formerly used as a summer home and lodge, this property represents life as it was lived yesterday. Cabin, servants quarters, and 2.6 acres for \$107,000. (MSB) 883-1200.

HORSES, SOYBEANS, 40 ACRES — This huge two-story home features 4 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, den with fireplace, formal living room, music room, closets galore. Home measures 2750 sq. ft. finished and another 1000 sq. ft. ready to complete. Orchard, strawberries, outstanding property offered at \$110,000. Additional 40 acres offered at \$800/acre. (CTR) 883-1200

ON THE LAKE — On the main channel, on a beautiful huge lot with 150 ft. of waterfront and trees, 2-slip boathouse, deep water, and pier. This beautiful basement rancher is ideally suited for the corporations get-away place. Home features 2 complete living units — upstairs is 3 bedrooms, with kingsize master, 2 baths, breakfast room, den with fireplace, garage, closets galore, central vacuum system, summer porch, downstairs is 2 bedrooms, study, workshop, 1 bath, kitchen, and garage. All of this in chain link fenced security patrolled area with remote control gate. Exclusively offered at \$162,500. (SK) 883-1200

24 ACRE HORSE FARM — Horse lovers let's go look at this 24 acre horse farm featuring 7 horse stables, hay barn, 1 1/4 acre stocked pond, dog kennel and dog run, sandy bottom, all weather creek. Home features 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, den with fireplace, rec room, formal living and dining rooms, huge country kitchen with brick wall, inside laundry. Offered at \$95,350.

\$60's

WALK TO CHAPMAN SCHOOL — This pretty tri-level home has 3 bedrooms and two baths, a large living room, fish pond and foot bridge over wet weather stream. On a quiet cul-de-sac in prestigious northeastern neighborhood and ready for immediate occupancy. (1911RC) 883-1200

BEAUTIFUL 2 STORY IN THE TREES. Before you buy you must see this lovely 2 story in a story book setting. Outstanding neighborhood, beautiful lot. Home features 2 1/2 baths, formal living & dining rooms, warm den with fireplace, double garage. Tastefully decorated, attractive use of wallpaper. A must before you buy. Offered at \$63,900. (10307AC) 883-1200

WALL-TO-WALL LUXURY — In this "like new" two story home which affords 2415 sq. ft. of beautifully decorated and comfortable living area with four bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, large formal dining room and isolated living room both with bay windows, sunken den with unique fireplace, and a master suite that makes you feel like royalty. On a large well landscaped lot for that "country living" feeling. (2106AM) 883-1200

EXECUTIVE HOME — with tremendous entertainment features. Beautifully planned open kitchen, cozy den with fireplace and elegant breakfast area located adjacent to it — overlooking the 18x36 in-ground pool, isolated master bath, cheerful sewing room. Yes, and rec room downstairs. Lovely neighborhood! \$69,900 (01302) 533-1490

TWICKENHAM AREA — This early Victorian home offers the best of the old and new. Authentic remodeling and a fully built-in modern kitchen and breakfast room. 3 bedrooms and 3 baths. Salarium and double utility room. 5 fireplaces, living room and study. Central heat and air. Must see. \$60,000. (R515)

BRENTWOOD LANE-MADISON. Super A-Frame. Perfectly set on a huge wooded and isolated 1 1/2 acre lot. Plus living room with fireplace and chimney exposed thru ceiling, 2 bedroom upper level — 2 on lower. Deck and balconies all around house also has 1200 ft. basement. Total price \$69,900.

APARTMENT COMPLEX — Southwest — Eight unit only in 3 bldgs. Seven units furnished. Return \$720 monthly now — can increase to \$880. Located off Governors & Parkway intersection close to several factories. Total price \$60,000. owner will finance with 1/2 down at 7%. (2016S) 533-1490

NEARING COMPLETION IN THE TREES — is this beautiful tudor tri-level featuring 4 bedrooms, 2 baths, den with fireplace, hobby room or 5th bedroom, formal living & dining rooms. A must before you buy. Offered at \$65,900. (10309AC) 883-1200

ROOM FOR A LARGE FAMILY — in a super size brick basement rancher. 5 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, den with fireplace, living & dining, rec room, eat-in kitchen, rear entry double garage. Storm windows & doors, power ventilator. Fenced yard 5 years new. \$66,500. (512B) 883-1200

MADISON — Big (approx. 2800 sq. ft.) brick rancher on almost 2 acre lot. Large octagonal — sunken living room is the hub of this beautiful home. 3 big bedrooms, 2 baths, den inside laundry, extra large kitchen with lots of closets. (G-Madison) 533-1490

HEY COUNTRY LOVERS! You can own a colonial home in the city (over 100 yrs. old) featuring 4 B.R.'s, large living room w/fireplace, formal dining room, country kitchen, 2 baths, four porches and full basement. See this home today located 2802 Winchester Road NW — Near Pulaski Pike. (WR2802) 533-1490

ROCKMONT-ON-CARDESSA High above Lake Guntersville rests a home of unique dimensions and character. A modified A-Frame, its three levels feature 4 bedrooms, 3 baths, 28x24 Great Room with A massive full masonry fireplace, luxurious, fully equipped eat-in kitchen, and loads of storage. A full width deck perfectly complements its setting on 2.1 acres of immaculately kept grounds featuring 600' of road frontage and intensely natural landscaping. It is pleasantly close (but not too close) to schools, shopping, Turner's Marina, Public docks, Guntersville in Huntsville. Asking \$64,900. Well throw in its "Million Dollar View" of the lake below for absolutely nothing. (CL) 883-1200

FOR ALL SEASONS — This year around home on the water at lovely Point of Pines. 4 year old home offers great room, built-in kitchen, 3 large bedrooms, central heat/air. Pier with 2 slip boat house and attached screened in porch. Many extras. Must see. \$67,500. 883-1200

\$50's

BASEMENT RANCHER THAT'S BIG & ROOMY. Beautiful brick home that's perfect for the large family. 4 bedrooms, 2 baths. \$53,000. (C4013) 533-1490

FLEMING HILLS, SW, over 2,300 sq. ft. for only \$55,900. Three full-level Dutch Colonial brick home on lovely landscaped lot. Four extra large bedrooms, 3 baths, huge den with fireplace, spacious country kitchen. Fully carpeted over hardwoods. Exceptional buy on quiet dead-end street. (7704T) 883-1200

NEARLY NEW AND CONVENIENT TO EVERYTHING. This beautiful big tri-level home sits high on a tree covered lot on a hillside 4 bedrooms, large den with a fireplace. See this one soon. (4003WE) 533-1490

PRIVACY ON A CUL-DE-SAC — This cedar and brick tri-level is nestled on a tree covered professionally landscaped lot. Features include a private back yard, 4 spacious bedrooms, 2 1/2 wallpapered baths, living and dining, eat-in kitchen with bay window. Freshly painted inside and out, humidifier, storm windows, brick patio, smoke detector. Large 24 X 28 two garage and 12 X 25 workshop. \$52,500. (11327D) 883-1200

DOWNSTAIRS APARTMENT — This basement rancher located in Grissom School area offers 3 bedrooms upstairs, living room, dining room, eat-in kitchen, fireplace, double garage, inside laundry, 1 bedroom down, extra kitchen and 1/2 bath down. Situated on lovely wooded lot. (8814VV) 883-1200

FAMILY PLACE — Where all the family can enjoy life every minute you're home. Has everything you'd desire including 4 bedrooms, den, 2 1/2 baths, nice deck + patio, private back yard with fruit trees, 155 sq. ft. of living area plus many extra features too numerous to mention. Located on cul-de-sac and ready for immediate occupancy. (W1921 Wrewood) 883-1200

GUNTERSVILLE LAKE — Holiday Shores — Authentic reconstructed 170 yr. old log house on 3 water front lots — 270 ft. Two hand-cut limestone fireplaces and foundation. Cedar roof, hardwood floors, mature pine trees. Sand sandy beach. \$53,900. 883-1200

NEW LISTING — East Limestone County Road. This almost new brick rancher, which is located on 1 1/2 acres, has many attractive features: large den with exposed beams, and fireplace, very nice eat-in kitchen, three spacious bedrooms, two extra nice baths, inside laundry, room suitable for sewing room, also, fenced-in yard, and three car garage. A good buy at \$52,900.

AFTERNOON DELIGHT — Come home early and relax on this beautiful acre lot with trees. This lovely 3 bedroom, 2 bath, paneled den w/fireplace home is a wish come true!! You will have peace, comfort & location when you purchase this home located at 8705 Louis Dr., S.E. \$52,500. (8705L) 533-1490

UNIQUE FLOOR PLAN — on this well maintained brick rancher. Master bedroom, foyer and living room open on to huge quarry tile covered patio. 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, den, fireplace, breakfast room. Large tree studded lot. \$59,200. (8103W) 883-1200

CAMELOT CONTEMPORARY — two story Western cedar with mansard roof featuring 4 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, den with fireplace, double garage, huge covered patio. Over 2,000 sq. ft. of heated floor space for only \$56,500. (Q12016) 883-1200

HERE IT IS — lovely two story home in beautiful Fox Run, one year old and immaculate featuring 4 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, den with cathedral ceiling, fireplace and bookshelves, lovely wallpaper, nice drapes, fenced back yard, double garage. Offered at \$59,900. (2513W) 883-1200

CONTEMPORARY CHARMER — just painted inside and out and completely recarpeted is our new listing at 11010 Salmon. Features include 4 bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths, living room, dining room, den, double garage, large corner lot and 18 ft. above ground swimming pool. 2015 sq. ft. for only \$53,500. (11010S) 883-1200

ON WEATHERLY MOUNTAIN ON A HUGE TREE COVERED LOT ... rests this immaculate brick rancher featuring 3 bedrooms, 2 file baths, den with fireplace, formal living room, eat-in kitchen, double garage, only \$52,000. (10010H) 883-1200

THE PRIVACY HERE IS SO BEAUTIFUL! The woods, behind and the valley and mountains in front. Just the beginning of all the many amenities in this home. An address to be proud of...at offers 2240 sq. ft. of living area. Spacious rooms — three bedrooms, three baths, fireplace and snack bar in rec room. Living room large enough for GRAND PIANO. Large kitchen and breakfast area — If you need 4 bedrooms the rec room offers the possibility of a 4th bedroom. Call and see for yourself, (G7108) \$59,900. 883-1200

\$40's

CLOSE IN COUNTRY LIVING — Quiet neighborhood, just northeast of Huntsville, lovely 1 acre lot with 3 Bdrm. Rancher, 2 full baths, sunken den w/F.P., inside laundry, eat-in kitchen - dining room combo, detached large dbl. garage with combination workshop, ideal for large garden. Must see to appreciate! (6106T) 533-1490

SPECIAL — Unique design from outside all the way through. If you want something that everyone else doesn't have you will be interested in viewing this only built twice floor plan. Excellent condition. Features secluded master bedroom suite, 3 bedroom in all, 2 vanities, built-in fireplace, modern convenient kitchen, separate formal living room and dining room, den, quarry tile entry foyer, custom drapes, wallpaper, carpet, double car garage. First time presented. Better call now. \$49,900. (2010B) 883-1200

12x22 WORKSHOP — Special workshop (heated and cooled) to express your talents and not worry about the mess. 5 bedrooms, huge country kitchen for mealtime gatherings, paneled den for TV and relaxing. Exceptional floor space for only \$47,500. Walk to Hayland Square for shopping. (9031C) 883-1200

ONE-OF-A-KIND, a truly unique contemporary home, featuring a stunning 3-sided fireplace, cathedral-beamed ceilings, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, den, real knotty pine cabinets, and a gorgeous tree shaded lot. \$46,800 on new loan. (4204G) 883-1200

LOW EQUITY, S.E. — This large like new 4 bedroom rancher is in walking distance to Weatherly and Grissom schools. Den plus living room, eat-in/built-in kitchen. Large 2 car garage, fenced yard. \$16,500. Equity and \$237.39 total payment. What more could you ask for? Call for an appointment. (W913) 883-1200

WHITESBURG ESTATES — Spacious corner lot — Quiet neighborhood — Fater, sunken living room, dining room, den with fireplace, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, eat-in kitchen, workshop off garage. Low \$40's. (R2209) 533-1490

GREAT LOCATION — Reasonably priced in the mid 40's is this attractive 4 bedroom split-level with living room, dining room, den, double garage & nicely landscaped fenced yard. (3106AM) 533-1490

VERY NICE FOUR BEDROOM home in one of Huntsville's finest and most convenient neighborhoods, located just north of Drake on Briarwood, this home has living room, dining room, large eat-in kitchen, 2 baths, extra large garage. Solid panel doors and solid cabinets in kitchen. Tree covered lot on hill. \$46,500. (B2706) 881-1200

803 FORREST HEIGHTS DRIVE — In the serenity of this large tree studded lot, you will find a pretty freshly painted split-level home which boasts 1940 square feet of living area with 4 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, formal living and dining rooms and all the extras. Located in a prestigious "walk to Weatherly School and Southeast Y" neighborhood and ready for immediate occupancy. 883-1200

EXCELLENT SOUTHEAST LOCATION — Here's the one you've been waiting for. Huge corner lot with lots of street appeal. Home features fantastic den with bookshelves, 3 large bedrooms, 2 file baths, large formal living and dining rooms, huge kitchen with tremendous storage capacity, breakfast room, covered carport, patio area, fenced back yard, storm windows and doors. Offered at \$49,900. (CT1210) 883-1200

ENJOY THE COUNTRY LIFE IN THE CITY — This lovely 1 1/2 acre lot with a beautiful brick house located in Huntsville is both convenient to the Mall and ideal for an extremely large garden. The split-foyer home features 4 bedrooms, 2 baths, spacious living room, eat-in kitchen/dining room combination, a very large den and a double garage. All this in a quiet neighborhood. \$42,200. (PG3706)

BIG TREES ON A CORNER LOT — and the impressive brick rancher goes with it. If you want quality in a home, you'll find it throughout in this one. Large den with fireplace, formal living room and dining room, super large modern country kitchen, large master bedroom, double garage. NICE! \$41,000 (5100L) 533-1490

LOVELY ROCK FIREPLACE — See this home today featuring large den, 3 bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths, and country kitchen. 1260 sq. ft. of unfinished basement. Lee school district (G2421) 533-1490

EXPEC THE UNEXPECTED — in these quality new homes from Homestead Builders. You'll marvel at new ideas, new concepts, new street appeal and a unique style of living that's long overdue. Two models ready for immediate possession. Mid \$40's. 883-1200.

NEAR RESEARCH PARK & UAH — This lovely custom built brick rancher located in McThornor Acres will save you money if you work at the Arsenal, Research Park, or UAH. Features include four bedrooms (one could serve as den) plus study or sewing room, formal living and dining, eat-in kitchen, 2 1/2 baths, central heat and air, 12 x 20 workshop, storm windows and doors, smoke detector and many other nice features. Priced low 40's. (W-1007) 883-1200

SOMETHING DIFFERENT — is being built in Fox Run by Homestead Builders. These unique floor plans offer total livability with no wasted space. Features include parlor with fireplace, leisure room, eat-in kitchen, inside laundry, 3 bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths, fully carpeted and tastefully decorated. Another nice feature is the garage workshop arrangement and courtyard, fenced for your privacy. priced at \$45,900. (14015M) 883-1200

2504 GUENEVERE AVE., S.E. — This immaculate home on a wooded lot features 4 bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths, living room dining room combination, large paneled den, inside laundry, large eat-in kitchen. This super clean home can be yours for under \$55,500 equity 883-1200.

\$30's

KING SIZE COMFORT — This split foyer has four bedrooms, 2 full baths, large living room, eat-in kitchen, dining room with doors opening on redwood deck. Tremendous den. Inside laundry. Central heat/air. Double car garage with workshop area. Lovely fenced yard with beautiful mature trees. 2100 sq. ft. of great living area for only \$38,400. (PP2919) 533-1490

BRAND NEW! Cedar rancher features 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, large den with stone fireplace, separate living room, kitchen with breakfast area, are built-in and pantry, inside laundry, carpets, throughout, central heat and air, nice use of wallpaper. Builder will pay closing costs. \$31,900 (M3422) 533-1490

SHERWOOD PARK — Brick rancher super sharp — like new. Three large bedrooms — 2 baths, nice den area. Central heat and air. New carpet and new roof. Priced below market value at \$34,800. (5114M) 533-1490

NEW CEDAR RANCHER — 3 bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths, living room, den with stone fireplace, central heat and air, beautiful carpet and wallpaper. \$30,900. (14002G) 883-1200

GREENTHUMB SPECIAL — If you enjoy raising your own plants, this contemporary oriental rancher is just for you. This tastefully decorated house is built around one in ground glassed in greenhouse, with sky light for year round growing. Incidentally this home has 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, "L" shaped, living/dining room and spacious eat-in kitchen. Call today (DC 2708) 533-1490

\$5,568 EQUITY IN SOUTHWEST — JUST LISTED this immaculate home featuring 3 bedrooms, formal living and dining, large den, enclosed garage, central heat and air, fenced yard, lovely deck and patio. Lovely bar off den, new dishwasher, beautiful drapes — plus lots of storage. Total pmts. \$244.52. (S4025) 883-1200

SOUTHWEST SECTION — \$30,900 for this sparkling new 3 bedroom home in Sandhurst Park. These homes offer quality construction, professional decorating and very functional floor plans for much less than you would expect to pay anywhere in the south end of town. A large den with stone fireplace for family living, built-in kitchen large enough to eat in, 1 1/2 baths, carpeted, inside laundry. (14010G) 883-1200

BRIGHT AS SUNSHINE — Is the best way to describe this brand new 3 bedroom rancher. By purchasing now, you'll be ready to enjoy the winter nites ahead when you lounge in front of the beautiful stone fireplace in den. Other nice features include color coordinated wallpaper and carpets, 2 baths, central heat and air, inside laundry, plus much more. Priced \$30,900. (G14004) 883-1200.

DOLL HOUSE — 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, den with woodburning stone fireplace, precious kitchen with built-ins — lovely use of carpeting and wallpaper. Brand new and only \$30,900. (14008G) 883-1200

LOTS OF ROOM TO EXPAND — this three bedroom basement rancher already has a den and eat-in kitchen and can become a home with four bedrooms and a rec room or whatever you want, because the huge daylight basement is unfinished. Also, has a single garage; on a nice wooded lot. \$34,400. (2801GG)

HANDYMAN SPECIAL — A little paint in the bedrooms and new carpets in the bedroom area and rec room would make a world of difference in this 3 bedroom, 2 bath rancher near UAH. Lovely large LR/DR combo, inside laundry, workshop and serving or hobby room. Den boasts 2 built-in desks with overhead shelves and pine paneling — bar separates den & kitchen. Nice patio has privacy fence. \$39,950. (K423) 533-1490

LAKEWOOD AREA — New listing, Great room with brick fireplace is the focal area in this charming 3 BR rancher. Foyer, nice eat-in kitchen, 2 full baths. Pretty and priced right at \$30,500. (3705S) 533-1490

SUPER BACKYARD — New listing plus an immaculate well decorated brick rancher with a great patio, a well maintained street. It's the kind of home you'll be proud of. 3 BR, 2 baths, den - kitchen combo. Let us show you! \$33,500 (5017P) 533-1490

SUPER NEIGHBORHOOD — Neat 2-story home near Davis Hills School. You'll see pride of ownership everywhere you look from the upstairs deck. Call to see this lovely 3 BR, den home today. (3220H) 533-1490

HARD TO FIND — New listing, Spacious, livable 11 yr. old home in a neighborhood of new homes. Priced at \$18 sq. ft. Finished basement rancher with 4 BR, den, rec room, 2 baths, double garage. Give it a good look today. (3309C) 533-1490

403 No. EDMONTON CR. — \$31,500 — Total price for this very clean and roomy split foyer. Huge kitchen w/custom built cabinets. 3 BR's up and one isolated downstairs. Large den 2 baths, central heat & air, garage. Nice exterior appearance fenced yard. Will consider trade. 533-1490

SAFE FOR CHILDREN — sparkling clean 3 BR brick rancher with lovely tree shaded yard within walking distance to school. Living, dining room, den, 2 baths, and double garage complete this lovely home. (5010P) 533-1490

3603 AYERS — Nice Fireplace in huge den. Very attractive split foyer home on just a super lot. Large kitchen w/carpet, 2 1/2 baths, large garage/work area area. Nice Deck off kitchen. Total Price \$35,000 will consider trade - (3603A) 533-1490

NEAR THE ARSENAL — Here is a very nice 3 bedroom STONE Rancher near Redstone Arsenal, with 2100 S.F. and a Detached Garage. Features include Entry Foyer, Living Room & Dining Room, Den & 1 1/2 Baths & Large Country Kitchen. (D 3704) 533-1490

CREATED TO ENJOY — The interior of our pleasant new listing in Fleming Meadows will delight your family. Features are 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, living/dining combination, really plush den and rec room, eat-in kitchen, and inside utilities. Any family would enjoy this ranch style home, why not yours. Be the first to call. (816G) \$38,500. 883-1200

MOUNTAIN GAP — Three bedroom, 1 1/2 bath home with living room w/beams, den, kitchen combination, single rear entry garage. Fenced back yard. Walk to school. 36,900. (314MG) 883-1200

ARAB — This nice brick rancher is located on over an acre lot with mature apple trees, city water. Living room, large family room, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, eat-in kitchen, large laundry room, porch. \$34,000. 1-753-2295

ARAB — Brick rancher features large living room, cozy den, 3 large bedrooms, 2 full baths, large laundry room, single garage. \$35,000. Extra finished blg. 621 sq. ft. could be office. 1-753-2295

JUST LISTED — MADISON — This ever popular sized Rancher offers 3 bedrooms, 1 1/2 baths, paneled dining room/den combination and rec room. Freshly painted, this home is sharp. \$33,500 on new loan on equity. (409S) 883-1200

ONE YEAR OLD — 3 bedroom home on quiet circle. 1 1/2 baths, inside utility room, living/dining combination and den. Large double carport with big storage area. (3102-JC) 533-1490

SPACIOUS 4 BEDROOM, two — story home, large kitchen — dining combination, paneled den, laundry room, 2 baths, garage, nice fenced yard with fruit trees — walk to school; total price \$33,000. (13602) 533-1490

\$20's & Below

4005 TROY WASEY — Nice and clean, brick rancher — 3 BR's, 1 1/2 bath central heat & air, large living room, garage, den or dining room. Select your carpet. Total price \$26,800. Will consider trade. 533-1490.

ARAB — This 3 bedroom brick rancher is located in a quiet neighborhood. Nice yard. Plenty of room for a garden. \$22,500. 1-753-2295.

NEAR THE ARSENAL, SCHOOLS AND SHOPPING — This 3 bedroom brick home offers den 1 1/2 bath, large eat-in kitchen, inside laundry, fenced backyard with separate dog run. \$28,000 (C2411). 533-1490.

LOOKING FOR YOUR FIRST HOME? Nice things come in small packages. We have a very cute 3 bedroom brick rancher waiting for you. Living room w/fireplace, nice eat-in kitchen with all built-ins, 1 1/2 baths, central heat/air, storm doors and windows. Ready for you to move into. (R2419) 533-1490

SPACIOUS LOT — and walking distance to schools make this 3 bedroom brick rancher very appealing. Offers living/dining room, eat-in kitchen, den, 1 1/2 baths. (C 2411) 533-1490

NEW HOUSE — \$23,700 — Ranch style home just being completed in Mt. Vernon Heights off Blue Springs Rd. Features 3 bedrooms, 1 bath, living/dining combination, sparkling new kitchen appliances, pantry, plush carpeting, central heating and cooling, FHA or VA, builder will pay closing costs. (2411MV) 533-1490

1302 O'SHAUGHNESSY — Remodeled frame bungalow on corner lot. 2 bedrooms, living, dining, foyer and inside storage area. \$15,000. (13020) 883-1200

1913 CATCHINGS — \$19,900 — Clean and neat 3 bedroom rancher on quiet street. Huge den, plush carpet also close to Oakwood College. 533-1490

4 BEDROOM & DEN — For \$28,000, in a great NW neighborhood, it needs a tender decorator touch to look its very best. Also offers nice eat-in kitchen plus 1 1/2 baths all on a corner lot. (T2700) 533-1490

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