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Agents sought for CID duty

The Pink Pather's Inspector Clouseau would jump at the chance. Perhaps you will too.

A special recruiting effort is now underway for persons interested in becoming special agents with the U.S. Army Criminal Investigation Command (USACIDC). This special effort is aimed at achieving the same race, sex and ethnic mix as the total Army, said Special Agent Michael Alsip, Commander of USACIDC Redstone Resident Agency.

Alsip said there are three special agents here. Redstone is one of 42 resident agencies. Redstone agents work in two areas — general investigations and narcotics.

"We investigate all crimes by soldiers and all crimes against the U.S. Government committed by government employees or civilians which are felonies punishable by more than one year of confinement," Alsip said. Special agents also work with city police in government-related cases.

Soldiers on active duty who can meet the entrance requirements may apply for probationary special agent positions. USACIDC requires that an applicant be a U.S. citizen; at least an E-4, and over 21 years of age. The prospective agent should also have two years of college or its equivalent, a General Technical Score of not less than 110 and a minimum score of 300 on the Army physical fitness test, as well as at least six months of duty as a military policeman or similar law enforcement experience. Some of these requirements may be waived, depending on the applicant's combined qualifications.

An agent spends the first year in probationary status. Trainees attend the U.S. Army Military Police School at Ft.



McClellan. They spend up to 12 weeks receiving instruction in photography, crime processing, collection of evidence, and interrogations. Further specialized training qualifies agents as polygraph examiners, or laboratory examiners or logistics specialists.

Alsip said the program offers good training and experience for persons in-

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FACING THE COLD

The snowy Washington's Birthday weekend was mild compared to the subzero cold encountered recently by a local Army Reserve group. See story on pages 8-9. (Photo — Paul Adams)

Ducks and land animals are collected for DDT testing

Biologists of the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service (F&WS) collected wildlife specimens from portions of Wheeler Refuge within the arsenal during the weekend for analysis to determine DDT concentrations.

Waynon Johnson, a specialist in environmental contamination, directed the researchers who, with Army help, collected ducks, crows and rabbits for examination at the Patuxent Wildlife Research Center in Laurel, Md. Johnson said results of the laboratory work would not be available for several months.

He described the weekend work as a first visit to begin building data that will enable the service to make some informed decisions about the extent of DDT contamination within refuge wildlife and what, if anything, can be done to resolve the problem. He indicated more extensive field work is planned later this year.

Anxious to collect waterfowl samples before wintering birds begin their migratory flight, the researchers took ducks in a backwater of Huntsville Spring Branch where the bottom is known to be

contaminated with DDT residues carried into the stream from waste discharge from a plant where DDT was made on the arsenal for 23 years.

Five of 10 ducks tested by the Army from the same place a year ago had DDT concentrations well above the national average of about three parts per million. The other five birds, however, had less than the national average making the test inconclusive. The Army made its test results known in November in time to warn area waterfowl hunters that some ducks frequenting the arsenal had been found to be contaminated.

No attempt was made to determine the age of the ducks collected in last year's Army sample. Biologists carefully examined each bird taken in the F&WS sample to determine if it were an adult or juvenile. Most of the ducks taken were mallards, most numerous among the thousands of waterfowl of many species wintering on Wheeler Refuge. Most of what is known about DDT in waterfowl comes

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OPINION

Sad tale of wounded owl has happy ending

With all the sad stories in the news, how about a tale with a happy ending for a change?

This is just such a tale — the story of Confucius the barred owl, who was shot in the wing and then almost died from exposure before he was rescued by some friendly Redstone workers.

No one knows exactly when Confucius got shot. But three workers in the Propulsion Lab — Buddy Ratliff, Ed Meinhardt and Ronald Swaim — saw him beneath the tree one evening two weeks ago when they were leaving work. When they came in the next morning, Confucius was still there — this time covered by the light snow that had fallen the night before.

Like good Samaritans, the men took Confucius indoors to warm up and fed him some sausage.

"We decided to see if anybody could help him," Ratliff said. "So we called the game warden."

The game warden's office called in the post vet, Maj. James Byrum. Upon examining Confucius, Byrum found the owl had been wounded severely in one wing and that the other had been grazed.

Byrum took the owl back to his clinic,



by KATHY HOUSE

where the veterinary staff gave their feathered patient the nickname "Confucius."

Byrum said the owl recovered well, despite the fact that he did not care much for people and became increasingly hard to deal with as he got stronger.

"He really does not like our mascot," Byrum said, referring to a cat which the staff keeps as a pet. "Every time he sees the cat, he raises his wings and starts clicking his beak. But in a way that's good, because it gives us a chance to see how his wings are healing."

When I talked to Byrum last Friday, he hoped to give Confucius his first flight test that afternoon.

The three workers who found Confucius

were gratified to know he was doing so well.

"I really never thought he'd make it," Ratliff said, "especially after I saw that

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Confucius, that's who-o

LETTERS

Writer questions 'Black Anthem'

Dear Editor:

In the 14 February ROCKET article on "An Evening with Ossie Davis and Ruby Dee," your reviewer says "the evening concluded when everyone rose and joined the choir in singing the Black National Anthem."

I consider the United States as one nation under God — not a white nation or a black nation, each with its own national anthem. What is the "Black National Anthem?" Does the Army recognize it and include it as part of official military functions?

Please withhold my name.

The song in question is a hymn, "Lift Every Voice and Sing", that is often referred to as "The Black National Anthem" because its words convey a sense of birthright and heritage.

—Editor

Carcass clean-up: who's responsible?

Dear Editor:

Could you find out who is supposed to pick up dead animals that are in the streets on Redstone Arsenal? It used to be the MP's. Then they said that Facilities Engineers did it. They did do it for a while but today when I called to ask them to pick one up, the woman who answered gave me another number. I called the other number, that woman referred me back to the first person by giving me a different number to the same place. The woman who answered again did the same thing, so I ended up talking to the same two women and both of them insisted that it was the other office's responsibility. No wonder people outside the

government get upset with government employees!

Linda Longhi

Dead animals are picked up by Facilities Engineer. The number to call is 876-4132.

Editor

Missing out

Editor:

Your editorial of 14 February 1979 stated you had received many positive responses to Ms. House's column. Please publish a few. I would like to know what I missed.

Sincerely,
Al Carter

The letter in the last issue is the first written response we'd received. All others have been verbal. —Editor

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Neurologist joins Fox Hospital staff

William H. Bell, M.D., has been assigned as staff neurologist at the Redstone Arsenal Medical Department Activity, Fox Army Hospital. He joined the hospital staff after being in private practice in Huntsville.

The 44-year old doctor is serving primarily for medical evaluation of diseases of the nervous system on a doctor referred appointment list.

Col. Robert B. McLean, M.D., Hospital Commander, said that having Dr. Bell on his staff means that patients can be treated at the Army hospital rather than being referred to physicians off the Arsenal. "I am pleased to have Dr. Bell with us as his speciality broadens the service available to active duty and retired military personnel who receive treatment at Fox Army Hospital," McLean said.

Dr. Bell is originally from Alcoa, Tenn. He received his bachelors degree from the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, and his M.D. from the University of Tennessee Medical School, Memphis.

He is a member of the American Medical



Dr. William H. Bell

Association, the Southern Medical Association, the American Association of Neurological Surgeons, the Congress of Neurological Surgeons Board of Directors, the Boys Club of America, and member, voluntary Staff, School of Primary Care, UAH.

From 1966 until 1968, Dr. Bell served in the Air Force Medical Corps.

Party has a German flair

MIRADCOM's "Fasching" party is this Friday, February 23 in the Officer's Club Ballroom. True to its festive theme, the celebration will feature both German and contemporary music from the Blue Flame band, costume or conventional dress and German-style hors d'oeuvres. The cost is \$5.00 per person and a cash bar will be provided.

The band will play from 7:30 p.m. until 11:30. Hors d'oeuvres will be served at 7. For ticket information, call 6-4916.

There will be prizes for the best costumes worn to Fasching. The roots of today's Fasching, or Karneval, go back some 2,000 years when the Romans celebrated festivals, notably the Bacchus. The festivals spread northward and at the establishment of the ecclesiastical year a period was set aside for celebrating them, beginning on January 6 and continuing through Ash Wednesday when Lent and 40 days of abstinence began. The last day of celebrating in Germany became known as the "Fastnacht".

In Florence, Rome and Venice the Karneval developed its peak in the 15th century and the northward spread reached Germany in the 17th century. It reached the Rhineland about 150 years ago and the Rhineland version, which includes a prince, platform, triumphal processions and songs, is somewhat like today's Fasching celebration.

Think readiness, win a \$25 prize

Like to win \$25? You should try entering your readiness idea in a new poster contest being sponsored by MIRCOM.

Jimmy Temple of the Incentive Awards Office said anyone in MIRCOM can enter by submitting sketches that portray what "Readiness" means to them. They will be judged on the idea they contain rather than the way the sketches are rendered, he said,

and should be designed to stimulate and promote awareness of the readiness mission.

To enter, attach your sketch to a suggestion form (DA Form 1045) and submit it by March 31 to the Incentive Awards Office, Bldg. 7437.

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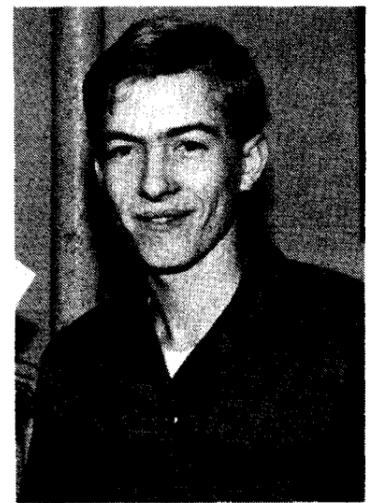
What's your opinion of the Army's club system?



Pvt. 2 Robert Birch, 6th S.C. — "I don't frequent the clubs. It's not my lifestyle. But they provide a lot of entertainment and you can't knock that. It gives a lot of people something to do."



Pvt. 2 Argo McCarthy, 6th S.C. — "I've only been there once, to see the Rudy Dee and Ozzie Davis show. That was culturally elevating. I think the clubs give the people in the military a chance to mingle. It's a good social outlet."



Pvt. 2 Robert Spee, 4th S.C. — "There are not enough young privates attending the clubs. All I ever see there are old sergeants and their wives. They need a few more nights of disco and activities for the younger soldiers. The Annex just isn't worth going to. All anyone ever does there is sit around and drink."



Sp4 Dorthea Quinn, 8th S.C. — "I think it's alright, but they should have more discos on the weekend instead of during the week. And I don't think civilians should be allowed in the club unless they pay dues and have a club card."



SFC Benjamin Magwood, Co. A — "People don't give it the support it needs. When they started calling it an Enlisted Club instead of an NCO Club they lost a lot of support. The club here is nice. I'm married and don't go at night very often, but when I do it meets my requirements. The management may need to upgrade the entertainment."

SFC Harold Boatright, Co. A — "It's not nearly as good as it used to be. I think it was a lot better when they had slot machines, especially in Europe. They had more participation and sold more because people enjoyed it more. Another thing that's wrong now is they don't have enough social functions, like bands and family specials. They don't get the families together enough."



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Commissary, store worker cited

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The commissary was selected for the award, sponsored by the Army Troop Support Agency which is headquarters for Army commissary operations worldwide, following an evaluation of all aspects of management, operations and customer service.

Individual recognition was accorded Robert Wales, a meat cutter at the store who was selected commissary Employee of

the Month in a new program to recognize individual achievement.

The Redstone commissary was cited under a new awards program in which three awards are made in each of the five commissary regions of the Troop Support Agency. The Redstone Commissary was in a tie for the outstanding accomplishment award with the store at Ft. Jackson.

The Ft. Benning commissary was chosen the best in the southeastern region while the Ft. Rucker store was selected runner-up.

The local awards were presented here in ceremonies attended by Cecil J. Boggs, deputy director of the Southeast Field Office of Troop Support Agency.

Local firms get Army business

Huntsville small business firms received more than \$329,000 worth of orders from MIRCOM and \$125,000 went to large local businesses during the past month.

Total amount awarded in Alabama and nearby states came to \$735,000 to cover goods and services in support of missile programs at Redstone.

Among services required were contracts for painting interiors of buildings, maintenance of an automated microfilm system, and technical art work. Goods ordered included a wide range of supplies for offices, laboratories and shops.

MIRADCOM placed \$36,461,906 with major contractors, and MIRCOM contracts totaled \$29,540,579 during the past month. These contracts are for missile systems and related equipment.

Retiree council gets new members

Six new members of the Redstone Arsenal Retiree Advisory Council were included in the semi-annual council meeting recently at the Officers Club, when the group discussed

matters of special interest to military retirees. All Council members are retirees from a military service, and serve as advisors to the Redstone Arsenal Commander on retiree affairs.

The Council consists of eight officers and eight enlisted personnel from the Redstone community. New members are Maj. Richard Graves, CW03 John Bates, Sgt. Maj. Grover Clardy, MSgt. Billy Hughes, all Army retirees, BM1 Edward Johnson (USN), and TSG James M. Fugitt, U.S. Air Force.

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DDT tests

(From Front Page)

from F&WS analysis of duck wings collected by hunters throughout the nation.

Crows and rabbits were shot along the north bank of the Spring Branch near the site of the former DDT plant. Data from the crows and rabbits will be compared with DDT residue analysis of muscle and fat from crows and rabbits taken in the same location 15 years ago.

The 1964 sample that showed DDT concentrations in rabbits, crows, opossums and a gray fox is the only wildlife data available to compare conditions now with the situation prior to the time DDT manufacturing stopped in 1970.

Tests by the Army and Tennessee Valley Authority have confirmed widespread DDT contamination in a variety of fish species taken from the Spring Branch, Indian Creek and the Tennessee River near the arsenal. Fishermen have been warned repeatedly not to eat fish taken from those areas.

Use caution viewing eclipse

The last eclipse you're likely to see this century will be visible next Monday morning — February 26. The eclipse will be a partial solar eclipse, and will be the last one visible in the continental U.S. for the next thirty years or more.

The sun will be partially eclipsed, as seen in Huntsville, on Monday morning, Feb. 26. Maximum eclipse, about sixty-one percent, will occur at about 10:45 a.m. central standard time. The first contact, or start, of the eclipse, will occur at 9:29 a.m. and the last contact will be at 12:04 p.m.

Extreme care should be used in viewing the eclipse. An eclipse can cause severe eye

damage, and can also burn through camera lens that are not properly filtered.

The safest ways to view an eclipse are indirect methods — projecting the image of the sun on a white screen with a telescope or a pair of binoculars, or by pinhole projection. Very brief glimpses of the eclipse may be made through two or three thicknesses of fully exposed photographic film, or through welder's goggles.

There will be a program on sun eclipses by Dr. Hermann, one of the Von Braun Astronomical Society directors, starting at 9:00 a.m. at the observatory grounds. If weather permits the 21 inch telescope and some smaller ones will be made available.

Agents

(From front page)

interested in a career in law enforcement. Army training ranks third in the nation following the FBI and the Secret Service. USACIDC has good career progression, Alsip said. Other advantages include the chance to earn college credits while

training, travel and an escape from routine.

"You're your own boss," Alsip said. "There's a great deal of job satisfaction when you can see the results of your work."

There are 1200 agents worldwide. Headquarters is in Falls Church, Va. It has six subordinate commands and also operates three modern crime laboratories, which support military and federal law enforcement agencies.

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6th SC sponsors room cleaning contest

By LARRY PAUL

"Go For It" is the motto the 6th Student Company at the Missile and Munitions Center and School has adopted for their Best Room Award competition.

1st Sgt. Johnnie L. Blank devised the competition to maintain the high barracks living standards they achieved through the Best Platoon of the Month program.

Using a "Best Platoon" of the Month program, the three platoons within the company competed for the honors by trying to keep their billets area up to a high standard of living while refurbishing was under way.

The program was terminated in November because as the first sergeant said, "The barracks had obtained a level of high standards."

But, since its termination, the students had little incentive for keeping those standards there. So, last month, Blank devised the "Best Room of the Company Award".

According to Blank each of the three platoons have one nomination which is submitted by the platoon sergeants. These three nominees have approximately one week to prepare for the first sergeant's or captain's final inspection.

"When we go in to look at a room," commented Blank, "we check everything from the alignment of the room, cleanliness, military neatness and more. We even go so far as to check for dust on the bed springs."

But, what does the competitor win for his



Trophy winners prepare their room.

victory? According to the first sergeant, the company "Best Room" award winner receives 30 days free of both the platoon and company duty rosters, plus a three-day pass is offered if the time does not conflict with the students' school schedule.

The other two nominees receive 30 days free of the platoon duty roster. Trophies, which will rotate every month, are given out

to the company's best room and the two runners-up.

"Competition was so heavy this time," Bank said, "we disqualified a room for dust on the backside of a wall locker."

According to Blank, "The program seems to be working. The students have the incentive to keep their areas up, and at the same time, the barracks as a whole is benefitting."

Who Needs Protection In Federal Employment?

ANSWER: If you are reading this advertisement as a Federal employee you are the one that needs protection. Regardless of age, grade, career status, sex, religion or national origin, you need protection. Below are some excerpts

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Their tactics are just as sinister as their goals. They will camouflage their intentions with references to "the public interest," or talk about "reforming" your benefit structure to "better reflect comparability." There will be more brainwashing of the American public through the news media and they'll be carrying the banner of Proposition 13.

Fortunately, AFGE is also prepared for this war. Your National Executive Council met last month and drew up a battle strategy for a counteroffensive. We have resolved all those real or imagined personal and political differences which were being used by our enemies to cripple us. The leadership at the national level is unified. The enemy will be met with a unified force in AFGE.

We know for a fact that the Administration will propose to reduce pay by as much as 10 percent. Comparability will go out the window. They want to give you the equivalent of social security in place of your retirement system. The current classification system will be thrown out. There are even rumors that leave systems will be gutted.

Remember, this is all in the name of "reform," and reform is a popular buzzword for voters and taxpayers.

We've got precious little time to make our preparations. If we begin now, we'll be united and we'll win. But bear in mind that your union cannot do this job alone. You—the AFGE member, the federal worker—you have got to help yourself. The best way to do that is by recruiting new members for AFGE. Remember, in unity there is strength.

Makeup of the 96th Congress is even more conservative—more anti-federal worker—than before and that bodes ill for you and your family.

We can expect a great effort by the Carter Administration and Congress to cut wage grade salaries by at least 8 percent; cut back on shift differentials; throw out Monroney. The picture is no better for white collar workers. They can expect a drive to put salaries on local surveys which would include state and city employees and non-profit agencies.

Needless to say, such a move has great support, based on the current anti-federal worker mood of the public and the media. And, needless to say, this would have a depressing and devastating effect on GS salaries—especially in the low and middle pay grades.

And, of course, those most in need, heads of families, women and minorities, would pay the dearest price. Couple this attack on you with other Administration drives against the poor and middle-income groups of America, and you can readily understand why I feel that 1979 is going to be a tough year.

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LOADING FOG OIL — Prior to the 326th's departure to the field, the Reservists load

55-gallon drums of fog oil needed to perform their mission.

By **DEBBIE GEHLBACH**

While most Alabamians hovered close to their fireplaces, one hardy group of Army Reservists traveled to sub-zero temperatures in Alaska to participate in "Operation Jack Frost '79."

Sixty-five members of the 326th Chemical Company, a Huntsville-based Army Reserve unit, participated in the Joint Readiness Exercise (JRX) from Jan. 17 to Feb. 4 at Fort Wainwright near Fairbanks, Alaska. They were the only Army Reserve or Army National Guard unit from the eastern United States among the operations 17,000 participants.

The mission of the 326th Chemical Company was to provide tactical smoke support to camouflage troop movement. By operating ten to 20 generators, they



USING AHKIOS — Mobility was the biggest problem facing the Alabama Reservists.

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produced a thick, white smoke haze covering two or three miles.

"When the generators are operating at their maximum, you can't even see your fingertip when your hand is held in front of your nose," said 1st Sgt. Johnnie Becton, an employee of the Huntsville City Schools.

While the smoke missions are not a novelty for the company, the Alaska environment provided a new challenge. It was chosen to test the unit's ability to function in a cold weather environment. Following several short outings to get used to the cold, the Alabamians eventually spent eight days and seven nights in tents struggling with four feet of snow and temperatures which dipped to 46 below.

The cold called for big adjustments in clothing and mode of transportation.

"There are two things you have to do to

protect yourself against the elements — avoid getting wet and getting too hot," said Pvt. 2 Jeffrey Keel from New Hope. "Even though the dry cold is much easier to protect yourself against, if your clothes get wet, they will freeze in a matter of seconds."

Much of the troop equipment was moved by ahkios. These 10-foot sleds run on fiberglass runners and are pulled by three or four-man teams wearing harnesses. They were usually loaded with a 10-man tent, a stove, snowshoes, skis and two five-gallon cans of potable water. Individual equipment was carried in rucksacks.

Unit members also participated in driver training classes and snowshoe training. Commander of the 326th Chemical Company is Captain Phillip Payne, Operations Chief for the Redstone Arsenal Space and Rocket Museum.

Photos By Paul Adams

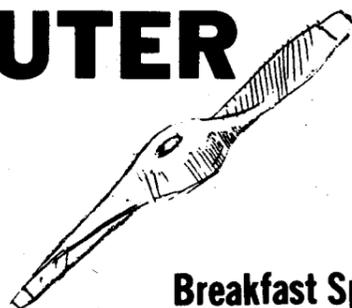


MAKING SMOKE — A smoke generator operator of the 326th Chemical Company (Smoke Generator) makes smoke during

the tactical phase of "Operation Jack Frost '79" held in Alaska. The Huntsville-based Army Reserve unit's mission was to provide

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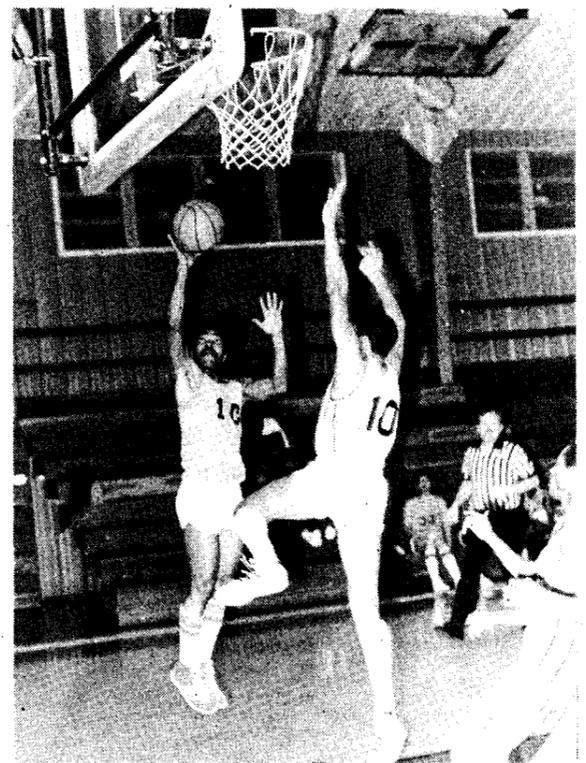
The Redstone Arsenal Recreation Center is sponsoring both racquetball and tennis tournaments for all active military personnel. The racquetball tournament will run from Feb. 21 through April 15. The tournament will be made up of three divisions, with A division for the best players, B for average, and C for the less experienced. Tournament ladders will be created for the A and C categories by drawings. The B ladder will be composed according to the skill of the players, with the best put on the higher rungs. The ladders will be drawn up on February 20. Any players entering the tournament after this date will begin at the bottom of the ladders. The tournament will be run according to International Racquetball Association rules. Matches will be the best two out of three games. Trophies will be awarded to the winners. To enter sign up at the Post Gym.

The arsenal tennis team is presently preparing for the Alabama A and M In-

vitational Tournament. The tournament will be made up mostly of college teams and will be held March 22 and 23.

Lt. Col. Richard Cumming, who is in charge of the tennis team, said that they have an ongoing tennis ladder. It now consists of 18 players. The top six players are the arsenal's team. Cumming said that any newcomer is allowed one free challenge in which he may challenge anyone on the ladder. If he loses he may then only challenge those players no higher than four rungs above him.

Cumming said that the tennis team also participates in doubles competition and in the Huntsville Industrial Tennis League which plays in the summer and fall. Women are welcome to compete. Anyone wishing to join the ladder should sign up at the Post Gym or call Cumming at Legal Assistance. Anyone wishing to make the team in time for the tournament should sign up immediately.



FAST BREAK — Antoine McPhaul shoots for two after a successful fast break down court. Trying to block his shot is Timothy Harris from the 7th S.C. McPhaul added 8 points to the 5th S.C.'s 48 to 46 victory Thursday. (Photo by L. Paul)

Owl

(Continued from page 2)

snow all over him. But we thought we might as well try."

Byrum said that the workers' call certainly saved the owl's life. "He wouldn't have lived another day out there," the vet said. "Not many people would have bothered to call."

The only sad note to this story is that it wasn't just bad luck that got Confucius shot. According to post game authorities, the shooting of the owl was almost certainly

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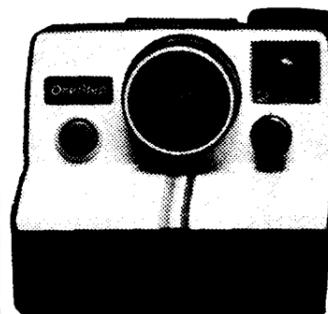
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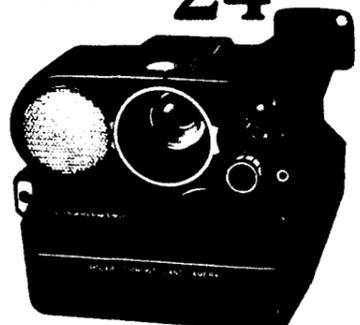


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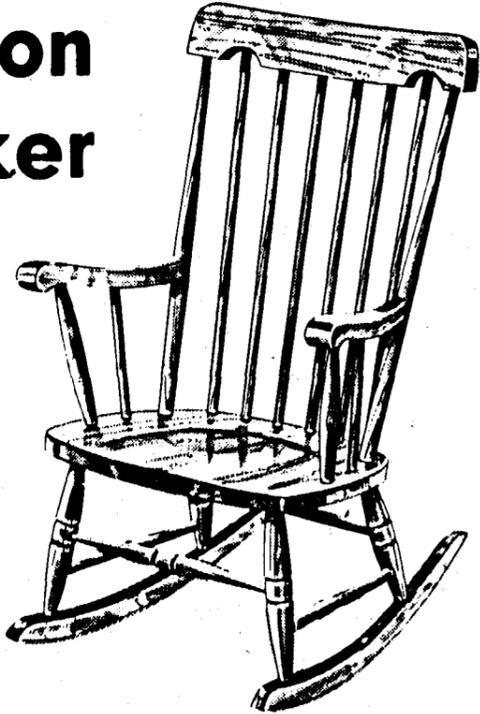
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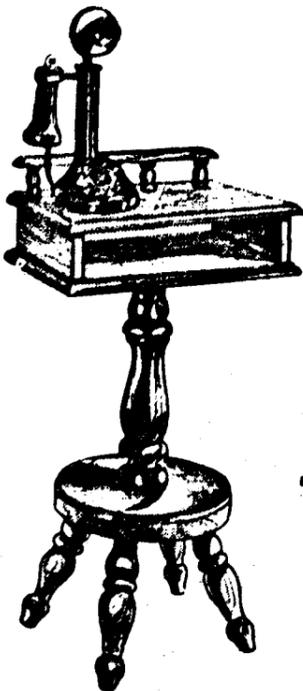
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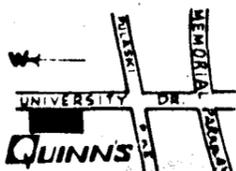
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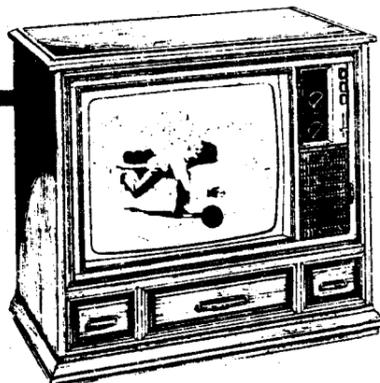
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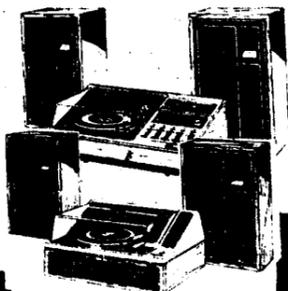


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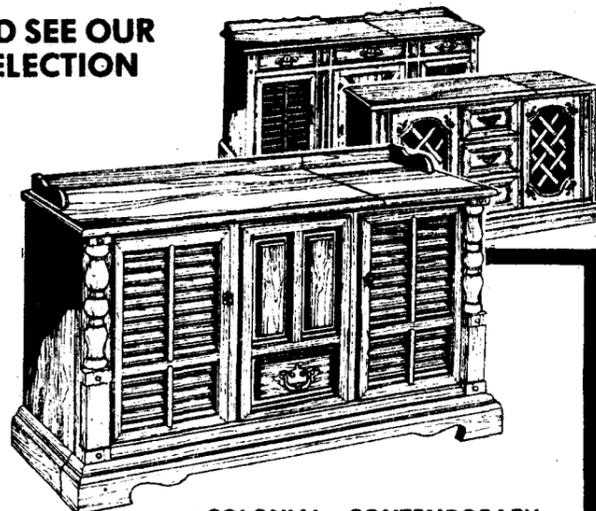
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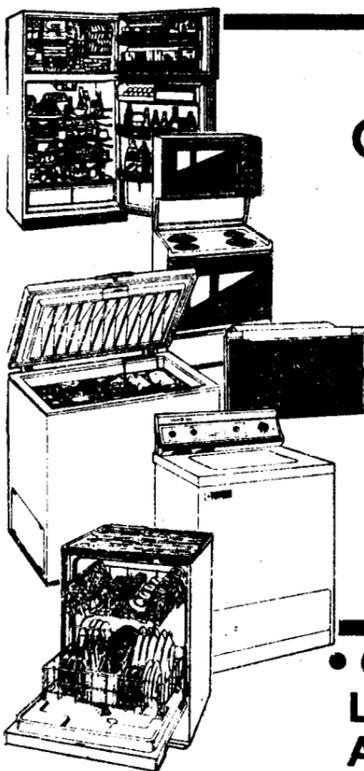
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Obituary

Van Dervort rites held

A funeral service for Col. Edmund L. Van Dervort, Assistant Project Manager for International Operations in the Patriot Project Office, was held Monday at the Bicentennial Chapel. Burial followed in Huntsville's Maple Hill Cemetery.

Col. Van Dervort died last Monday of a heart attack while on temporary duty in Munich, Germany. He was 46.

The colonel had accompanied Maj. Gen. Oliver D. Street, III, Patriot Project Manager, to Munich to attend a meeting of the NATO Patriot program steering committee when he was stricken.

A 1956 graduate of the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, Col. Van Dervort was experienced in Army research and development, air defense, and Army

aviation. He was a senior Army Aviator, served with the First Cavalry Division in Korea, was Operations Officer and Commanding Officer of the 196th Aviation Company in Vietnam, and Commander of the 2nd Battalion, 59th Air Defense Artillery (Chaparral-Vulcan) in Germany.

He had been assigned to Patriot since July 1976 and had 24 years of military service.

Among medals and awards, Col. Van Dervort held the Distinguished Flying Cross, Bronze Star Medal, Meritorious Service Medal with oak leaf cluster, Air Medal with 11 oak leaf clusters, Army Commendation Medal with oak leaf cluster, Republic of Korea Order of Merit, Joint Chief's of Staff Identification Badge, Vietnam Service Medal (5 campaigns), and Senior Army Aviator Badge.

He is survived by his wife Barbara; son, Mark E. Van Dervort; four step-daughters, Janice, Karen, Theresa and Kathleen; a sister, Maj. Judy Van Dervort of Ft. Campbell, Ky.; one brother, Judd Van Dervort, of Moorestown, N.J.; and father, Col. (Ret.) Edmund H. Van Dervort, of Fort Myers, Fla.



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Announcements

Electro-optical meet

A meeting of the Huntsville Electro-Optical Section and Working Group will be held at 3:00 p.m. on Monday, Feb. 26 in lecture room 114 of Bldg. 7770, Redstone Arsenal. Dr. Stephen A. Benton will speak on the technical advances made in holographic imaging during this decade. Benton is a member of the Visiting Committee of the International Museum at Photography at George Eastman House, a Director of the Optical Society of America, and a member of the International Commission for Optics.

Fasching party

MIRADCOM's "Fasching" party is this Friday, Feb. 23 in the Officer's Club Ballroom. True to its German theme, the celebration will feature both German and contemporary music from the Blue Flame band, a costume competition with prizes, and German-style hors d'oeuvres. The cost is \$5.00 per person and a cash bar will be provided.

The band will play from 7:30 p.m. until 11:30. Hors d'oeuvres will be served at 7. For ticket information, call 6-4916.

Exhibit features computer products

Texas Instruments Corp. will bring a demonstration van to the Huntsville area Friday, March 2. The van will be located at the Executive Plaza Office Park, 4717 University Drive. The van will contain such things as 990 mini-computer, the 770 in-

Concert for young people

The Huntsville Symphony Orchestra will present a Young People's Concert on Saturday, Feb. 24 at the Von Braun Civic Center. Students enrolled in Huntsville Schools in grades four through twelve, are invited to attend. There will be two performances, one at 9:30 a.m. and the other at 11:30 a.m. Admission is free.

The program will feature the Pickwick Puppets in a dramatization of "Arabian Nights," with background music from Rimsky-Korsakov's "Scheherazade." Two winners of the Young Artists Auditions, pianist Karen Greer and oboist Steve Pettey, will also perform.

Ladies' golf lunch

The Ladies Golf Group of the Officers' Wives Club will hold their first luncheon of the year at 11:30 a.m. on March 7 at the Officers' Club. Old and new members, whether advanced or beginning players, are welcome. For reservations call Mimi Diehl at 881-6726.

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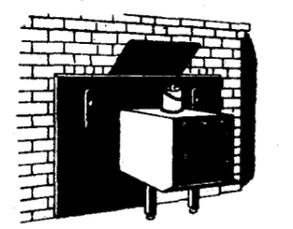
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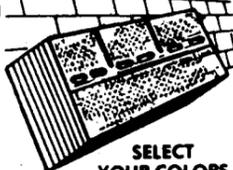
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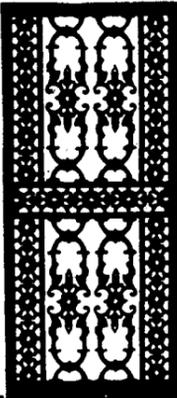


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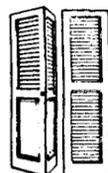
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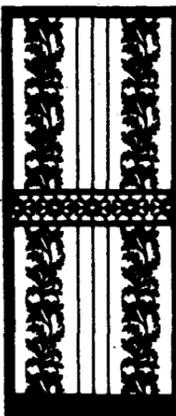
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