

Pay to park? Idea still alive

Remember the uproar caused a few months ago when it was suggested that Redstone workers might have to pay to park on the arsenal?

Well, the uproar has gone, but the idea hasn't been forgotten.

The idea came from President Carter, who announced that he wanted to phase out subsidized parking for federal workers.

The General Services Administration is now doing a world-wide study of commercial parking rates in areas around military installations. The study in the southeast part of the country is actually being done by the Mobile District Corps of Engineers, who will forward their findings to GSA by September 1.

How do they decide if workers should have to pay to park? There's no detailed plan so far, but a DoD official said the general guidance is that if commercial parking in an area is \$10 a month or less, no fees will be charged to workers on military installations.

There's no word so far on what the parking rates might be. Workers at the Pentagon have been told they'll have to pay to park, but haven't been told any more details yet.

Personnel shift involves 1,600

Shifting into the MICOM permanent organization means a change of scenery for 1,600 people who will move from one building to another or to a new work site within the same building.

Two hundred and sixty eight have already moved.

About 400 more will move before October 1 and the remainder will move prior to November 15 if the schedule now projected holds firm.

The moves are necessary to open space in some locations for merged operations or to optimize working situations for other command elements.

When completed, command elements and offices will be sited on the arsenal as follows:

Bldg 5250: Command Group; Personnel, Training and Force Development; Plans, Analysis and Evaluation; Comptroller; Legal; Public Affairs; Equal Employment Opportunity; Missile Intelligence; Safety; Inspector General; General Accounting Office; Marine Liaison Office and Nuclear Munitions Liaison Office.

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Bldg 7120: Engineering Directorate (Tech Data Management)

Bldg 5400: Army Missile Lab; Engineering Directorate (main office; DARPA)

Other major command elements will be sited as they are now.

The schedule for moves still to be accomplished:

Prior to October 1: Lab Support Office;

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To control beaver population

Alligators to try out arsenal as new home

Fishermen using Swan Pond on the arsenal's west boundary could find themselves up to their hip boots in alligators, if a U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service experiment works out.

Thirteen of the fearsome reptiles have been released in the swampy 30 acre pond inside Test Area I as part of a stocking of more than 50 alligators in various locations on Wheeler National Wildlife Refuge, which shares several thousand acres with the Army.

Refuge Manager Tom Atkeson said the stocking is an attempt to spread the threatened species into new territory. The alligators were released in areas that by design are "as isolated as possible", he added.

Besides Swan Pond on Redstone Arsenal, alligators were put in Sweetwater Slough and Beaver Dam Swamp in Limestone County and in Madison County in Blackwell Swamp and Barren Fork Creek.

The alligators range in size from less than one foot long to seven feet. Only small ones were stocked here. "We saved the little ones for the arsenal", said Atkeson, "because we had to tote them in" to Swan Pond.

Once plentiful, alligators were hunted to near-extinction in their native deep south. Today with strong protection they have made a comeback in southern coastal

country, in some places are overpopulated, and thus an effort is being made to transplant them. Those stocked on Wheeler Refuge were trapped on a federal game preserve in Louisiana.

A hoped for side benefit of alligators on the refuge is in providing a natural check on an exploding beaver population, according to Atkeson.

Too many beavers are also a problem on the arsenal, in both refuge and non-refuge areas of the installation. Neither the Army nor the refuge has had much success in controlling them. Flooding caused by beaver dams kills timber and floods roads, making it difficult to patrol and maintain

some areas. Dams that are torn down are rebuilt in a day or two.

"If they'll help us control the beavers, then I'd like to see them thrive and flourish here", commented Dave Bryant, Redstone forest and land manager. "They're reputed to be the only natural enemy beavers have", he noted.

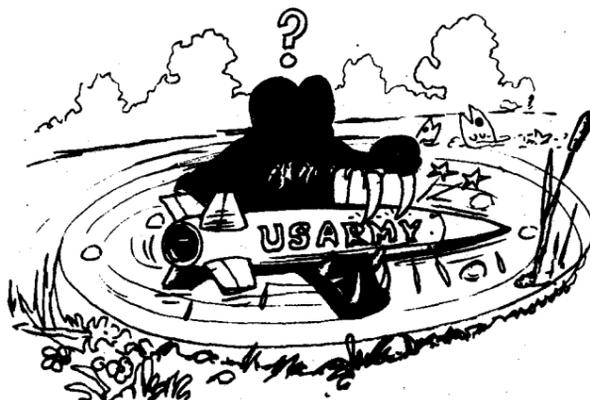
Despite high expectations, Atkeson concedes that the beavers likely don't have too much to worry about. In areas where alligators occur naturally, says Atkeson, "you find plenty of beavers and 'gators together in the same water." Locally, he said, it probably won't take beavers long to wise up to the new predator.

Ugly and terrifying in appearance, alligators shouldn't endanger people in the area, Atkeson noted. They should, however, be left alone, as they will fight if cornered and large ones can kill with a sideways lash of the powerful tail.

"It's true you can be hurt by an alligator, and it's also true you can be hurt by a cow or a hog", Atkeson observed.

Alligators are scavengers and also feed heavily on turtles, slow fish like carp and gar and aquatic mammals, according to Atkeson. Their powerful jaws can crush a turtle shell. The ferocious-looking teeth are for seizing, not chewing, and prey too large

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Letters

Veterans unite

Editor:

The reason behind this letter I wish to have printed is that if we do not get the veteran military person interested in a veteran group, like the American Legion, D.A.V. and V.F.W. to name some, we are going to lose all our rights as a veteran when we leave the service for the government is slowly taking away those veteran rights . . .

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The next District 12 American Legion meetings will be held at Post 176, Huntsville at 2 p.m. We would like to see every eligible veteran and his spouse attend one of these meetings and if not a member come away as a signed up member.

Charlie E. McConnell, Jr.
USAF Ret
12 District Commander
American Legion
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Appreciation

Editor:

My husband, O. C. Ashworth, Jr., treasured the friendship and support of his many associates during his years of work at Redstone Arsenal. I want each one of you who knew and cared for O. C. to know how much our daughters, Letitia and Melinda, and I appreciate your thoughts and prayers following his death. We will always remember your kindness.

Lou Ashworth

In agreement

Editor:

I would like to express my sentiments to Ms. Jackson and agree with her that there are elements within Local 1858 which act as "the Master." A recent example of this was an unconstitutional election, mandated by the president, and not by the constitution and a duly elected election committee.

Glyn E. Rosenblum



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Drug search nets suspects

An unspecified number of soldiers were charged with possession of marijuana early Friday morning following a search of troop barracks using police dogs, according to Provost Marshall Lt. Col. Terris Lewis. All those charged were released to their units.

This was the second investigation in two weeks using dogs to help detect drugs. The dogs were taken through barracks parking lots and through both School Brigade and Special Troops barracks. Three dogs were used in Friday's search, while two were used during the first search on August 2.

The two searches were made because the

number of apprehensions on drug charges and police intelligence indicated that the use of drugs was on the rise, Lewis said. The investigations were intended not only to find drugs, but to provide a "psychological deterrent" to drug use by letting soldiers know that the MPs could detect the drugs, Lewis said.

The dogs used in the investigation were borrowed from Fort Campbell and Fort Benning. They have the ability to detect any kind of drugs, but Lewis said no "hard drugs" such as heroin or cocaine were found during the search.

TOW production tops quarter-million

TOW, the MICOM-developed tank killer deployed worldwide with approximately 30 countries, has passed the 250,000 missile mark, by far the most heavily produced U.S. guided missile.

Hughes Aircraft Company, the prime contractor, delivered the quarter millionth TOW at Tucson, Ariz. recently, 11 years after the missile was ordered into production in 1969. TOW was deployed with the Army in 1970.

"Two hundred and fifty thousand is a lot of anything, whether you're talking about missiles, dollars or doughnuts," said Col. Neil Williamson 111, the Army's TOW-Dragon project manager at Redstone. "But

Hughes has delivered more than quantity for performance, reliability and effectiveness have earned TOW the reputation as the free world's most effective defense against enemy armor."

Congratulations to everyone involved with TOW for an outstanding job," Williamson said, noting the milestone delivery.

Approaching its 15th anniversary as a Redstone Project office, TOW recorded another first in 1972 when it was deployed in Vietnam, becoming the first Army guided missile fired in combat by American soldiers.

Buck a ride 'too steep'

A telephone survey of Redstone civilian workers indicates that a commuter bus service from Huntsville to the arsenal will not be supported.

More than 150 Huntsville residents had initially indicated they might be willing to leave the driving to someone else. Most of them when contacted a second time said a buck a trip was too steep a price.

When asked about that, most of the people who had indicated interest in riding the bus said they felt the charge would be too high. Many others said — in one way or another — that as long as gas is available, regardless of price, they would be unwilling to give up the convenience of riding alone or in carpools which offer — among other advantages which the bus did not — home-to-office transportation.

Most said too they would reconsider the bus if gas becomes unavailable.

Lack of support for the bus line means carpools and van pools are the most attractive alternatives to a solitary and costly ride to work. Interest in both proposals continues high and the command is looking at ways to encourage greater participation.

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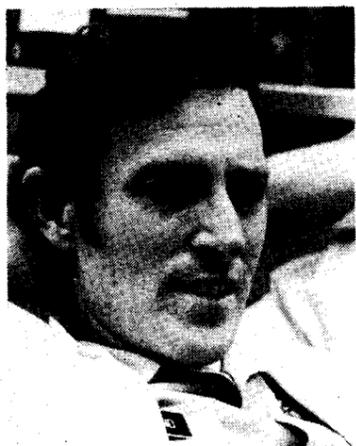
What's your definition of a 'Lifer'



Pvt. Ruth Connell, 8th S.C. — "To me an Army Lifer is someone like my platoon sergeant. He acts like he's going to stay in the Army for the rest of his life."



PFC Arthur Young, MICOM — "Military-wise it's a dedicated career soldier. But for many young soldiers it's a derogatory term for everyone E-7 or up — someone who's hard core".



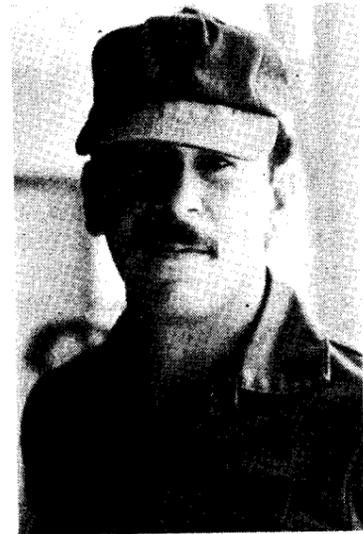
CWO 2 David Strickland, MEDDAC — "That would be me, I guess. I've got 23 years of service in. But really, it's a person who's decided to make a career out of the service instead of outside the government. It's kind of a cliché among younger soldiers for people who've been in for two or three terms. But do you call someone a lifer if they've worked for Bell Telephone or Ford Motor Company for 10 years? I wonder."



Airman First Class Michael Fleming, AF Det. — "A lifer is someone who's set their goals so that come Hell or high water they're going to be in the military. They usually have some influential uncle pulling strings for them."



SSgt. Marshall Pearson, Co. B — "I don't believe there is such a thing. That's just a slang expression used by younger troops to say that someone is hard to get along with or doesn't fit in with them. There are first term soldiers and career soldiers. I consider myself a career soldier."



Sgt. Victor Hernandez, 6th S.C. — "It's a slang term for career soldier. The young soldiers use it 'cause they don't know what an Army career is all about. I used to use it for someone who was really hard core and thought only of himself. A career soldier has a more professional attitude."

'Pity the Poor Lifer'

'Tis written on the latrine wall

Editor's note: The following commentary originally appeared in the Fort Hood SENTINEL. The writer, Ray Chattman, is now with KORUS, published by 8th Army Public Affairs in Korea.

While hanging out around the local dayroom last week, I heard something I hadn't heard in a long time.

"Pity the poor lifer — He couldn't make it as a civilian."

I started to correct the poor misguided soul who said it, but then I heard the phrase "short," and knew that I wouldn't get anywhere with an off-the-cuff reenlistment talk anyway.

It is an interesting phrase all the same. The first time I saw it was on the latrine wall in an NCO Club at Fort Benjamin Harrison, Ind. It is a popular saying among those who don't know any better.

When you look at the overall scene, through, is it really the lifer that needs pitying? I think not.

First Point — The saying is nonsensical. Why would someone drop out of civilian society, when it is so much easier than the Army?

Think about it. Civilians on the average make more money, work fewer hours, and don't have to worry about duties or details after working hours.

Civilians sit back in their living rooms and watch the war on the six o'clock news, while the soldier has to sit in a field and worry about how close the next airstrike will be to his foxhole.

It doesn't seem like an even-stein swap in that aspect, does it?

Then, to go on — the soldier has the difficult task of constantly moving around all the time. It is rough on his family, and if he doesn't make friends too easily, it is rough on him. Adjusting to a new set of faces every three years isn't something the average civilian must look forward to.

Job competition is just as tough in the army as it is outside, too. Promotions are awarded to the deserving only after meeting requirements for time in service, time in grade, schools attended, job experience and job proficiency, just as in any large corporation. An intangible that the army throws in there is leadership ability. Does a civilian company judge its employees in this category.

Now, people are always hearing about the benefits. I say that what few benefits the Army has left are justly deserved. Retirement after 20 years isn't such a good deal if there is a war or two right in the middle of that 20. An I don't recall this country ever being uninvolved in a conflict for 20 straight years.

The travel can be considered as a benefit — in peacetime. But then, many civilian companies have branch offices all over the world, too. Again, the main purpose of the Army comes into play. Why would anyone want to transfer to the branch office in beautiful Quang Tri or open an office in scenic Phnom Penh? I wouldn't.

As far as real benefits, though, the Army offers job security. The pay is low, but it is steady. The paid vacation is nice, but after some seniority, any company will give you that.

The soldier does have the opportunity to get involved in lots of civic projects — volunteering or DYA Functions, "Big Brother" activities and other community-minded efforts. The way the military "Community" system is set up, the soldier has the pride to be in uniform for his country — even when his country is at peace, and is questioning whether it needs him at all.

The soldier pays a heavy price for America's freedom — a much heavier price than his civilian counterpart.

Maybe the next time I'm in that NCO Club at Ft. Ben. I'll write my reply: "Pity civilian — He couldn't hack it in the Army."

Contract let for DDT cleanup

A \$160,000 dredging contract has been let in connection with the Army's DDT cleanup effort on the arsenal.

The dredging, expected to get underway this week, involves removing contaminated sediment from a ditch that drains the old manufacturing site, along with constructing a hazardous waste landfill.

The ditch is to be dredged for its entire length of approximately 1,000 yards to its juncture with Huntsville Spring Branch. A filtering system installed earlier this year will trap any DDT that is mobilized during the dredging operation.

The project will also include removing DDT that is in several dumps on the arsenal and re-burying it in the hazardous waste landfill designed and constructed to safely hold the pesticide waste so that it poses no environmental danger.

The dredging and landfiling is expected

to take about two months to completion. It is the last step in a project agreed to by the Army and Environmental Protection Agency to stop the escape of DDT waste from Army property. Earlier steps included installation of a water treatment system and sediment retention dams in the drainage ditch. The Army has spent approximately \$1 million to cleanup DDT contamination on the arsenal.

Meanwhile, the Corps of Engineers' Mobile District is proceeding with a year-long study of DDT contamination in Huntsville Spring Branch, where an estimated 4,000 tons of pesticide waste is in the stream bottom for a few miles below the old DDT factory. In connection with that study Tennessee Valley Authority biologists have been trapping fish, turtles and aquatic mammals to assess the extent of DDT contamination in area wildlife.



Clowning around

Ending their work experience with a little clowning around, Theresa Seay, Lottie Halsey, Lisa Hammonds and Letha Jefferson entertain during the talent and awards show held recently in Rocket Auditorium for Redstone summer workers.



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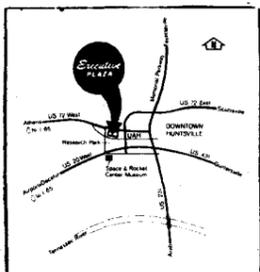
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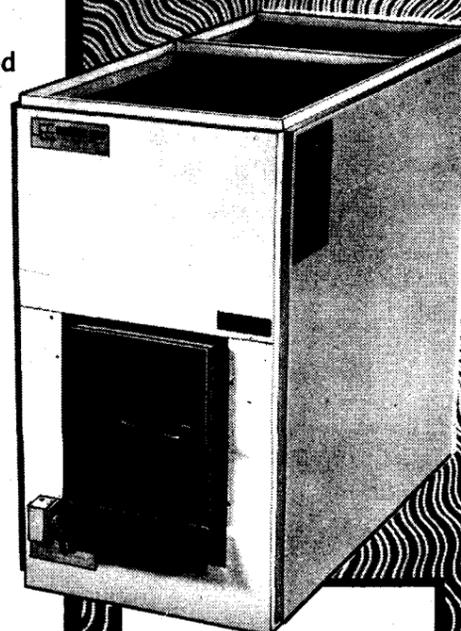
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Investigation on in bomb threat

McMorrow Laboratories building was evacuated for a short time Thursday morning after an anonymous caller phoned a bomb threat to the post Fire Department.

According to military police, a call was received at 8:10 a.m. saying bombs would go off at noon in Bldg 5400 and two other buildings the hoaxster would not name.

Personnel who waited outside for about an hour were permitted to return to their jobs after searchers found no bomb in the building.

Military police investigators said an individual communicating a threat to bomb a federal building can receive five years in jail and a \$5,000 fine.

Flexitour is here to stay

Flexitour will become a permanent fixture at Redstone, according to Maj. Gen. Louis Rachmeler.

Rachmeler said his decision was based on Flexitour's success during its year-long test, and employee's interest and desire for flexible work hours.

Favorable results of the flexible work hours were the reduction of sick leave and tardiness, the increase of morale, and a reduction in traffic congestion.

However, Rachmeler said that he was concerned about the number of vehicles entering the post with only one occupant. He urges more employees to use the flexibility of their work hours to establish carpools.

Flexitour procedures specified in an agreement with the American Federation of Government Employees Local 1858 will now be negotiated for inclusion in the "non-professional employees" agreement.

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Infrared simulation is workshop topic

Scientists and engineers from the Army, Navy and Air Force are gathered at Redstone this week for the first Infrared Simulation Technology Workshop, hosted by the Army Missile Command.

"This four-day workshop brings together working people from all the services to discuss mutual problems and needs, establish goals and perhaps lay the groundwork for a possible tri-service infrared program," said D.L. Kilbourn, a research physicist in MICOM's Systems Simulation Directorate and chairman of the workshop.

"We're looking for laboratory tools and devices to simulate the real world in infrared regions."

Approximately 20 people are attending the workshop which began Tuesday and concludes Friday.

Vehicles, engines, people, nearly everything emits heat so infrared systems can operate 24 hours a day in all types of weather.

"Since it is too costly to fly and test weapons everyday in the real world, we're looking for ways to simulate testing of infrared devices," Kilbourn said.

Hard study helped soldier of month

When Pvt. 2 Brian E. Mooring reaches retirement age he hopes he can look back and say, "I accomplished something and I enjoyed it." The 19-year-old soldier of the month for August has plans for both.

A member of the 6th Student Company, he is currently about half way through the MMCS improved HAWK Continuous Wave Radar repair, course.

And while he is undecided if he will remain with the Army, he is determined to stay in the electronics field. "I like the hands-on work and the challenge of troubleshooting the electronics equipment."

When his orders arrive near the end of his course, the Ellicott City, Md. native hopes they will direct him to stay with MMCS. "I want to work toward a degree in electronics engineering. I think I would have a better opportunity for that here instead of in a field unit somewhere in Germany."

A permanent assignment here would also allow Mooring to compete for the post Soldier of the Year title. "I would like the

chance to try for that. One of my instructors Sp5 Charles Day is a former soldier of the year and he told me about the program and explained the benefits. That's why I decided to try for soldier of the month."

Mooring said he was absolutely confident when he faced the board. "When I was getting ready for the board I went from person to person and asked what they thought I should study. For about a month all I did was study. No one could possibly have studied more."

"So by the time the board came there was nothing else to do. I feel I answered the questions like I knew what I was talking about. That probably influenced the board."

Mooring said while the studying was primarily an individual effort, he did receive some assistance from his platoon sergeant, SFC Joseph E. Williams. "He drilled me on the questions a few times to help me get used to answering them. I think that helped my confidence."



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Soldiers bound for some areas get more time to repay advance

WASHINGTON — Soldiers going overseas or to certain high cost areas in CONUS will have 12-months to pay back advanced pay, DA personnel officials announced recently.

Changes to the DoD pay manual give unit commanders the authority to approve an extra six months to repay the advance.

Soldiers may draw up to three months' advance pay when changing stations. However, now only one month's advance pay may be drawn at the old duty station and two months' pay at the new unit, officials said.

In the past, soldiers were allowed to draw advance pay up to 30 days after arriving in

the new station. They now have up to 60 days, officials said.

Pay back will automatically be set for six months, according to a DA spokesman, unless soldiers request the additional six months through their unit.

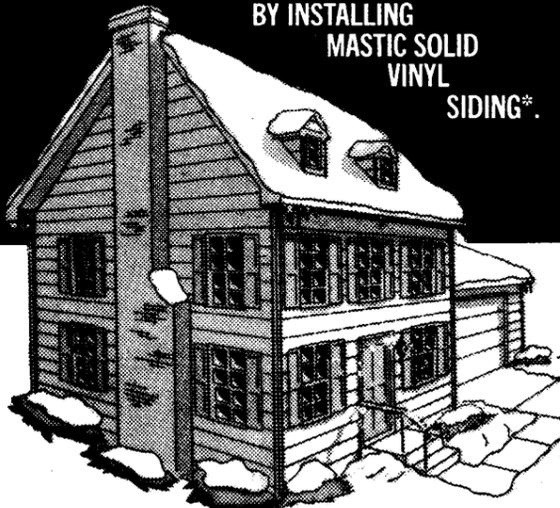
Soldiers stationed in other than high cost areas in CONUS may also request an extra six months, officials said, but the major command must approve the request. (ARNEWS)

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Agent Orange effect on veterans is subject of broadened VA study

The Veterans Administration continues to urge Vietnam veterans concerned about exposure to Agent Orange to seek a medical examination at a VA hospital, and has broadened its inquiry into the herbicide's possible effects on veterans who were exposed to it, according to VA Administrator Max Cleland.

The potent herbicide was used by U.S. forces in aerial spraying to defoliate jungles in Vietnam. Agent Orange is reported to have caused Vietnamese women to bear deformed children and have spontaneous abortions, is known to cause chloracne, a skin rash, in those exposed to it, but "no conclusive evidence that Agent Orange exposure causes long-term health effects" has been found, Cleland said.

Supplementing VA research in the matter of Agent Orange, which has been underway for more than a year, other government agencies are or will be engaging in companion studies of populations most heavily exposed to herbicides similar to those sprayed in Vietnam from 1963 to 1971.

The Air Force will conduct a detailed study of some 1,200 servicemen and veterans who engaged in "Operation Ranch Hand" in Vietnam. The military personnel engaged in this operation were directly exposed to Agent Orange as they handled the herbicide containers and flew the spraying missions.

The purpose of this long-range study will be to determine if any relationship can be

established between herbicide exposure and long-term health status. Data gathered on the Ranch Hands will be compared to a large control group not exposed to herbicides. The Air Force estimates the study will take about six years.

In a joint study involving American and Italian scientists, the National Academy of Sciences is probing the consequences of a 1976 industrial accident in Seveso, Italy. The accident in a herbicide manufacturing plant heavily exposed 134 plant workers, and also exposed about 100,000 citizens when a gas cloud drifted over the area.

Report due in 1981

The NAS study in Seveso is funded by the Environmental Protection Agency and the Department of Health, Education and Welfare's Center for Disease Control, and the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences. A report on the study, already underway, is expected to be made in January or February 1981.

Another study of an industrial accident — in Nitro, West Virginia, — is being correlated by HEW's National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health. The Nitro study involves a chemical plant explosion in 1949 that grossly exposed 288 employees to herbicides containing dioxin, and also exposed to some degree much of the local populace.

VA Administrator, Cleland said that good progress is being made in VA's search for a

clinical procedure that might determine the presence of dioxin in human body fat. A VA pilot study in this area is expected to be completed this summer.

Although VA physicians and scientists have been consulting with leading authorities on herbicides within and outside the government on an ad hoc basis since its research was undertaken early last year, Cleland said a formal VA Advisory Committee on Herbicides has been established and held its first meeting June 11.

The 15-member advisory committee is comprised of physicians and scientists and will also include a Vietnam combat veteran. The committee will monitor all research and claims activities involving Agent Orange.

The only clearly related effect of Agent Orange established to date, he said, is chloracne, a skin rash developing immediately after or within a few months of exposure.

The VA Administrator also disclosed that VA physicians recently met with Dr. Ton That Tung, the Vietnam physician who has been visiting America reporting on his studies of the impact of Agent Orange on the civilian population in his country.

Veterans who feel any present disability is related to Agent Orange should call any VA regional office on toll-free lines for assistance in filing disability claims, he added.



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BY KATHY HOUSE

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Trained staff

Organizational Effectiveness became an Army-wide resource in 1976, and got offices at Redstone in 1977. Currently, the Redstone office is staffed by Tim Bennett, Buzz Skillman, Bill Cortner, and Al Carson. All were trained at Fort Ord's Organizational Effectiveness Center and School.

Organizational Effectiveness isn't around to barge into an organization or "clean house." A consultant has to be invited in by a supervisor of at least branch level in a civilian office or company level in military units. The consultant works for the person who invites him in — the client. Any information he gathers for the client is given

only to the client, not to anyone working above or below him.

The first thing a consultant is interested in finding out is what the client wants. What does he want his organization to be like? What's preventing the organization from being the way he wants it to be?

Workers heard

After finding out what the supervisor himself thinks could be improved, it's time to talk to his workers. The Organizational Effectiveness consultant encourages the workers to tell him what they think are the strengths and weaknesses in the organization. Sometimes they will cite the same things the supervisor did, but often they will add some concerns that the supervisor hadn't noticed or emphasized. Along with doing interviews, the consultant will look into the history of the organization and simply observe it with an outsider's objectivity.

Organizational Effectiveness examines organizational interaction rather than the specific work the people do. Sometimes the consultants have little knowledge about the type of work done in the organization.

"We're not content experts, we're process

experts," Skillman said. "There are certain processes that are common to every organization."

Common concerns

Bennett agreed, and said that some of the most common areas of concern in every organization have to do with how each individual sees the organization's goal and his own role in the organization, communication, how conflict is managed, how decision-making is done, and what the power structure is (who are the "informal" leaders as well as the formal leaders?).

These concerns are reflected in different specific situations. As far as individual roles go, for instance, a worker and his manager may have different ideas about what the worker's role is or should be. Maybe the manager expects the worker to do certain things, but has never outlined what they are to the worker. He may think the worker is lazy or lacking in initiative, while the worker may be confused and unsure about what he is actually supposed to do.

The area of decision-making is very complex. Some managers like to delegate decision-making and some like to keep all

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decisions under their own control. But managers must keep in mind that some workers, according to the training and experience they have had with a particular job, may need very little supervision. Others who are new in a particular assignment may need much more. Therefore managers may need to vary their leadership style according to the situation.

Manager determines

Concerns and approach

Whatever information the consultant gathers is given to the manager as raw data. He tells the client how his workers feel without specifying who said what. The manager himself notes trends and decides where areas of concern are, and also decides which areas he wants to work on first and what approach he would like to take.

After the client decides which concerns he wants to focus his attention on, he and the consultant work together to identify ways to improve the situation. The consultant may design a workshop tailored to fit the organization's needs. Common workshops deal with time and meeting management, team building, communications, role clarification, goal setting and decision making, motivation, stress reduction, and conflict management.

The consultant always does a follow-up on any consultation. Sometimes the client may feel the organization needs more help.

Whatever information the consultant gathers is given to the manager as raw data.

The main thing . . . is to let the manager make his own decisions and take action on them himself.

Perhaps he should have emphasized one area instead of another. If so, the consultant is willing to study the matter again, from the very beginning. He works for the client until one of them wants to end the arrangement.

A frequent concern for Organizational Effectiveness is smoothing the transition between managers. This is a common problem in the Army, since soldiers are expected to move frequently. It's also of special interest at Redstone right now because of the command mergers.

Smooths transitions

Transition is likely to be rough if the incoming manager is unknown, if he has a "reputation," if his leadership style differs from the outgoing manager's, or if the outgoing manager has a hard act to follow. Transitions also may happen quickly, leaving little time to sort and identify problems, and breaking the organizational continuity.

Workshops offered

Organizational Effectiveness offers a workshop for the new manager (the outgoing manager may or may not be present) and his workers. Managers and

their workers can discuss the priorities and major problems the organization faces, what the workers expect from the new manager, and what his priorities and values are.

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The main thing in any case, the consultants agreed, is to let the manager make his own decisions and take action on them himself. The consultants stress that Organizational Effectiveness is here to help — to provide objectivity, to gather some information the manager might have trouble getting himself, and to offer him alternatives and new approaches and techniques.

"The manager implements any changes himself," Skillman said. "He may learn some new techniques from us, we may help him clarify what he wants done — but he does it all himself."



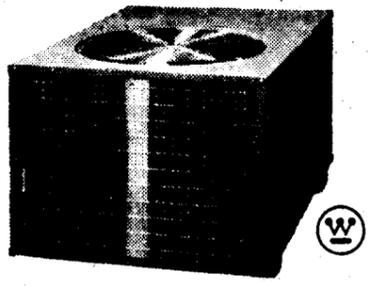
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Atkeson feels the reptiles can take hold in the area, if people will leave them alone, and if they can survive the winter. In the case of the former, Atkeson noted alligators are a threatened species, and under state and federal law stiff penalties await anyone who captures or harms them. Anyone caught doing it locally will be prosecuted "to the full extent", Atkeson vowed.

Already, a Huntsville man has been charged by federal and state wardens with killing an alligator in Limestone county.

The little-known fact that alligators have lived in the area for many years augurs well for survival of the new crop. "There have always been 'gators in these reservoirs", said Atkeson, "at least for the 40 years I've been around here. We've always gotten scattered reports of them."

While, Atkeson concedes with a laugh, "I don't believe everything I hear from fishermen", he says anglers have been

bringing tales of alligators to refuge headquarters for many years. Sighting of a 10 or 12 foot specimen has been reported this year.

Some years ago a six foot alligator washed ashore at Guntersville, a victim of cold. In another instance two or three years ago, "A good size dead one was brought in. There were no marks on it and we figure it was a winter kill", said Atkeson.

Survival of alligators in north Alabama seems to depend on their being able to burrow below the frost line for winter hibernation. Ability to do that in the high banks of the Flint River accounts for the survival of two alligators that have lived there a long time, Atkeson believes.

The origin of alligators in this locale is believed to be pets brought here by vacationers and released in local waters when their novelty wore off, usually in a short time as they do not make good pets. Alligators were readily available in

southern coastal souvenir shops until their sale was outlawed a number of years ago.

There is some evidence the former pets have reproduced locally, as a young 18 inch specimen caught in the area was brought by refuge headquarters long after the ban on trafficking in alligators went into effect.

Granted it will be many years hence, but with good protection and management of alligators and adaptation of them to new territories, people may once again be able to enjoy the beauty and durability of shoes, belts and the like made from alligator hide. And some people, like Atkeson, may again be able to sit down to a hearty meal of fried alligator.

The refuge manager recalls his boyhood in southeast Alabama close to the Florida line. There, he said, alligators were plentiful. You took a skinned alligator tail, sliced it like a stick of salami, breaded and fried it. "That was a long time ago, but as I remember it wasn't fishy tasting, but was kind of like turtle," Atkeson said.

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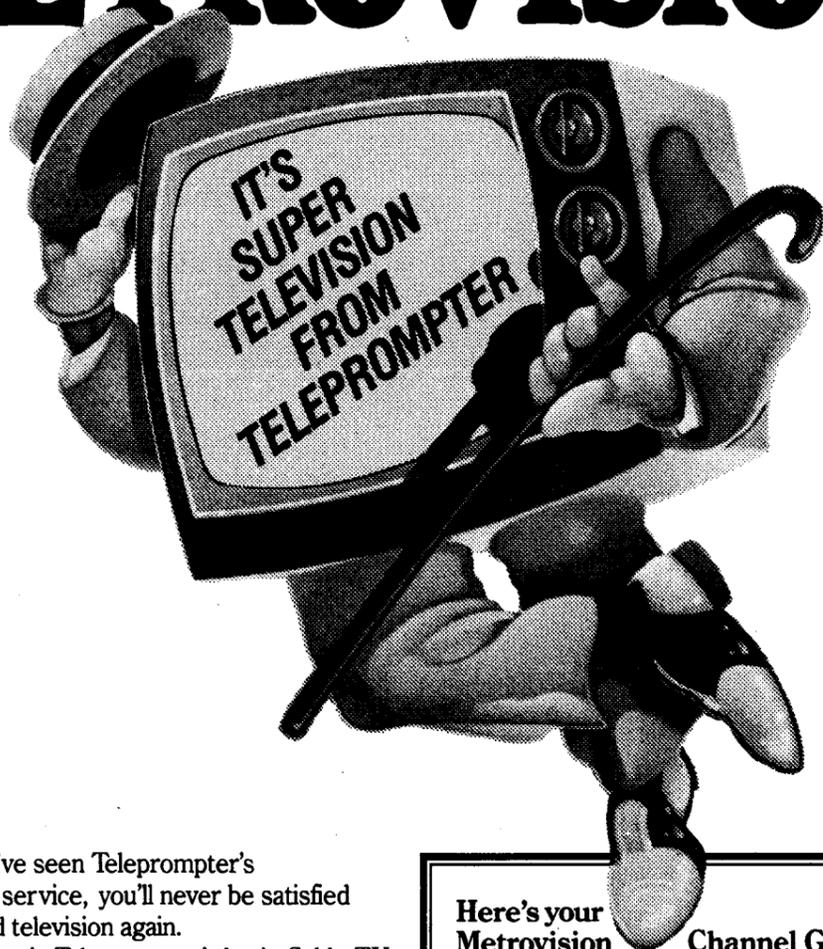
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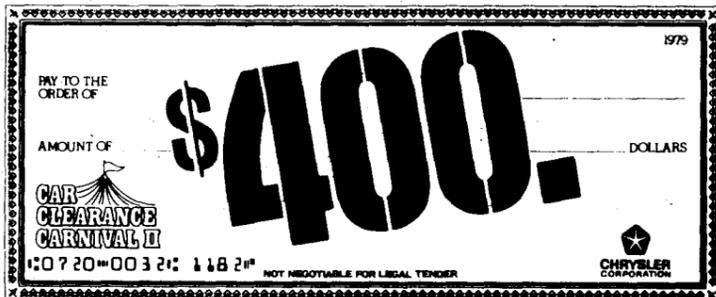
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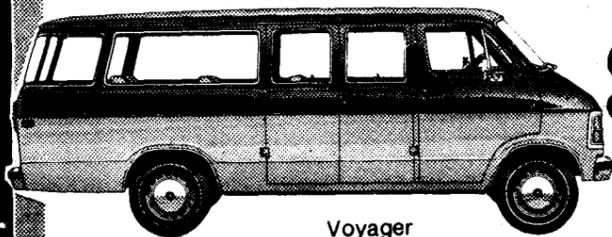
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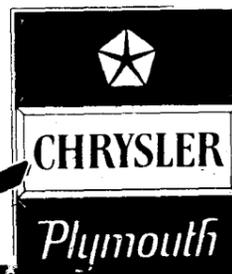
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MICOM takes troop softball championship

By GLEN ADAMS

It was David vs. Goliath in this season's Redstone championship softball game played August 4. But this time David's slingshot backfired.

The MICOM giant overwhelmed 8th SC, beating them 17-0, thus winning the post championship playoffs. MICOM's record for the season is 32-0, the best in Redstone history. The 8th SC finished at 23-11.

MICOM's offense generated 14 hits and was led by catcher Prentiss Thomas, who contributed a homerun and a triple and scored two runs. Pitcher Bill Nash helped his own cause by tripling and scoring two runs and Bill Cid, the first baseman, did his part by going three for three and scoring two runs.

MICOM's defense was equally impressive. Nash allowed but three hits and several spectacular plays were made to back him up. The 8th SC wasn't able to advance a man to third until the final inning, and that resulted from MICOM's only two errors.

The 8th SC had its problems. Not only was it unable to put together any offensive threat, but it also committed six errors in the field. Pitcher Alan Kruse took the loss.

The game was blown open in the third inning when MICOM scored six runs. The inning was highlighted by successive triples by Thomas and Bill Nash, three consecutive singles by Ted Gerard, Cid, and Arthur Young, and a double by Brad Theis. A five-run fourth inning followed that saw Thomas hit his home run over the right field fence.

Although 8th SC was soundly defeated, it was enthusiastically cheered by its fans who used both pennants and cheerleaders to encourage their team.

Brig. Gen. Jack Apperson presented trophies following the game.

Hard play and excitement dominated the playoffs leading up to HHC MIRCOC's big win.

In game No. 1 HHC beat 4th SC 20 to 3 with Carter Hines, Prentiss Thomas and Ted Gerard going 3 for 4. Thomas hit two home runs and Hines and Bill Gaffney one for the winners. Bill Nash was the winning pitcher.

The 291st MPs beat 6th SC 17 to 2 with Frank Chrisman the winning pitcher. A Co beat B Co 12 to 2 and 8th SC beat Meddac 14 to 4.

On the second night B Co won by forfeit over 6th SC and Meddac eliminated 4th SC. The MPs beat A Co 14 to 10 and HHC —

after being down 6 to 3 after four innings — erupted for 22 runs in the final three innings to beat 8th SC 25 to 8, pounding out 28 hits. Thomas and Bill Cid collected four each. Hines, Gaffney, John Powell, Bill Nash and Brad Theis added three apiece. Gaffney homered twice, with Thomas and Nash also collecting round trippers for the winners. Rozell Daniel went 3 for 3 for 8th SC.

Wednesday night 8th SC eliminated A Co 13 to 10 in the first game. In the second game 8th SC behind the hitting of Thomas Johnson beat the MPs 5 to 4. Alan Kruse was the winning pitcher, twice pitching out of critical situations.

F & A wins crown in CWF tourney

BY JOHN O'HORA

Army teams dominated the CWF-NASA second division slo-pitch softball tournament last week with Metrology, MISD, and undefeated F&A battling for the championship Thursday evening.

MISD and Metrology squared off in the semi-finals to log a 9-7 decision and put Metrology in third place in tournament standings. Johnny Roberts assisted in the win for MISD with one of his trademark long balls.

MISD, seated last at the outset of the tournament and owing their only tournament loss to F&A in a game played earlier in the week, then returned the favor by downing their enemies in a nip and tuck contest. Pitchers Looney of F&A and Roberts of MISD worked their special brand of magic on the opposition batters to hold the final score at 7-5 with no homeruns.

The championship game, played under lights that generated numerous errors, was, by contrast, a batting barrage. Ward and Blackburn made roundtrips for MISD. Randy Pate, before being injured in the field, hit 4 for 5 and homered for F&A. His teammate, Harold Jacobs, batted 3 for 4 and beat the peg for an inside-the-park four bagger. The big hero, however, was Aaron Walker who drove Frank Thomas in from third to wrap up the 17-16 ballgame. F&A ends the season with a tournament crown and a record of 11 wins 12 losses.

In remarks after the tournament League President Ken Colvin commended managers, coaches, players and the Civilian Welfare Council for a successful season. "I feel this league adds greatly to morale of civilian employees", Colvin said, adding that he looked forward again next year to another season of "good, clean competition."

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Golden Knights win international event

WASHINGTON — Sp5 Cheryl Stearns became the first woman parachutist to win the individual accuracy event in a CISM (Conseil International Du Sport Militaire) championship. This year the U.S. CISM parachuting team, made up of U.S. Army Golden Knights, took its fifth overall crown at the XI CISM sport parachuting championships.

The competition, held July 17-27 in Karlsborg, Sweden, brought 74 competitors from 15 nations together.

In team accuracy competition, the U.S. team claimed the gold medal with an accuracy total of 0.08 meters.

In the individual accuracy event, Stearns was the only person to have a perfect tally of eight "dead-center" landings, giving her the gold medal. Sp5 Danny Durden garnered the silver medal, defeating two-time world style champion Jean Dermine of France.

In the four-person relative work competition, the Knights took the silver medal.

SSgt. Phil Manden won a bronze medal for individual style and took the bronze

medal for the U.S. team in individual overall standings.

For top country overall, only 1.54 seconds separated the first place U.S. team from the second place French team. Switzerland took the bronze medal.

The Golden Knights made up this year's U.S. CISM delegation. After claiming the top six overall spots at the U.S. National Parachuting Championships held in June. (ARNEWS)

Metal cleats banned

A change to AR 28-1 to prohibit use of metal-cleated shoes in Army baseball and softball programs has been requested by TRADOC.

Reason for the proposed change, which would go into effect for the 1980 ball season, is to prevent injuries resulting from shoes with metal cleats. Rubber-cleated or gym or tennis shoes would be required at all levels of play.

Installation recreation services officers were given until August 22 to comment on the proposed change.

'Gutsy' gold

WASHINGTON — Two soldiers helped the American Pentathlon Team stun their favored European rivals and win the gold medal during the World Modern Pentathlon Championships in Budapest, Hungary, last week.

This was the first time that an American team has won a Gold medal in World Pentathlon Competition.

The U.S. Team of Robert Neiman, a 32-year-old San Antonio, Texas, architect, Army 2nd Lt. Mike Burley, Columbus, Ohio, and Army Sgt. John Fitzgerald, Chicago, Ill., finished with a total of 15,976 points, edging the favored Hungarian team by only seven points. Burley is currently attending the University of Texas at Austin where he is working on his bachelor's degree.

Neiman, who finished 26th in the Montreal Olympics Pentathlon competition, won the individual title with 5,483 points for the five events. The events consisted of running, fencing against each competitor, riding an unfamiliar horse cross country and negotiating various jumps, pistol shooting at 25-meter revolving targets, and swimming 300 meters. Neiman's first place finish marked the first time an American had won the individual gold.

Burley won the concluding Pentathlon event, the 4,000 meter cross-country run.

Colonel J.M. Moore, officer in charge of the U.S. Pentathlon team, said of the team, "They ran an intelligent and gutsy race. They worked hard as a team and it paid off in victory. This is a great moment in pentathlon for the United States." (ARNEWS)

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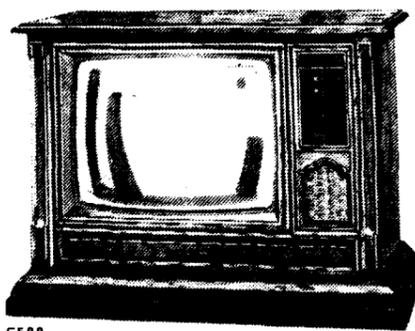
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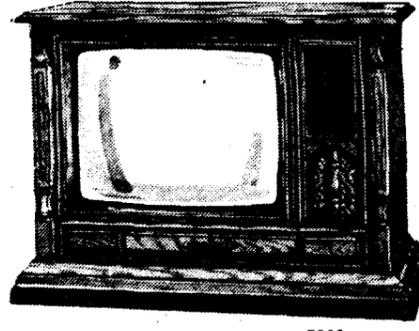
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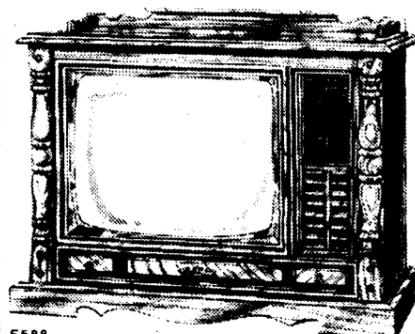
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FISHERMAN WANTED ... This North Sauty property has a 20'x62' building on the water and was planned to be a restaurant, bait shop with owner's apartment. Near by Acre plus lot has 4 trailer spaces which rent for a total of \$140.00 per month. This will not last long at \$49,900. (09-72-FC) 533-1490.

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INVESTMENT PROPERTY—Large tract with 485 feet on Highway 231. Good commercial property. 1-753-2295 or 883-1200. (06-HW231-A)

COMMERCIAL PROPERTY—Two buildings, one has 2160 sq. ft. of office space, the other has 10,000 sq. ft. of manufacturing space plus 3 1/2 acres. (9-GC-207) \$250,000.00. 881-9111.

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Announcements

Truck auction set tomorrow

Sixty surplus trucks belonging to NASA will be sold at auction here on Thursday at 10 a.m.

The selection of vehicles includes carryalls and pickup, panel, 3/4 and 1 1/2 ton trucks as well as a few miscellaneous vehicles.

The sale will be conducted by General Services Administration in a surplus property yard behind Bldg. 4353, where the trucks may be inspected today from 12 noon to 5 p.m. and tomorrow from 8 a.m. until the sale starts.

PX Theater

Tonight & Thursday: Glynnis O'Connor, Seymour Cassel in **California Dreaming (R)** at 7:00.

Friday: Laurence Olivier, Sally Kellerman in **A Little Romance (PG)** at 7:00.

Rec Center

A hot dog supper is among activities scheduled at the Rec Center this week. The schedule for August 22-28 is as follows:

Tonight: **Movie** at 7; Thursday: **Bingo** at 8; Friday: **Pool** at 7; Saturday: **Movie**, "The Million Dollar Duck" at 7.

Sunday: **Hot Dog Supper** at 6; Monday: **Spades Night** at 7; Tuesday: **Troop Orientation** at 10:30 a.m.

CHAMPUS change

A new method by which service families can obtain advance information on whether CHAMPUS will share the cost of care for an emotionally disturbed child in a residential center (RTC) has been announced by CHAMPUS officials.

Service families are encouraged to use the new procedure to protect themselves from incurring large bills for treatment which will not be cost-shared by CHAMPUS. Details of CHAMPUS benefits for RTC care and how to apply for them, including the information required to evaluate a request for either an initial admission or extended care, can be obtained from a CHAMPUS advisor or by writing to OCHAMPUS, Aurora, Colorado 80045.

Officer evaluation briefings slated

Briefings on the new Officer Evaluation Reporting System will be presented here by a team from DA on August 31 at 7:30, 10:30 and 1:30, at the post theater.

Attendance at the briefing is required of all Redstone officers, warrant officers and civilian raters.

PX sets program for women's day

In recognition of women's equality day the PX is hosting a discussion, "The Future of Women Today", on Saturday from 11-12 noon.

Four guest speakers will speak on today's opportunities for women. They are Carol Grider, a Spacelab flight system engineer at MSFC; Jeanette Ranson, a computer programmer at MSFC; 2nd Lt. Patricia McDaniel, a military police officer at Redstone; and Kim Mitchell, operations manager at the main PX.

The program is open to the public. It is being held in the mall at the Main PX, located in the shopping center near Vincent Dr. and Goss Rd.

Officers Call

There will be a MICOM Officers Call at the Post Theater today from 10:30-11:30 a.m.

Round trip bus transportation, departing at 10, is available from Bldgs. 4488, 4505, 5250, 5400, 5681 and 7101.

Books displayed for women's week

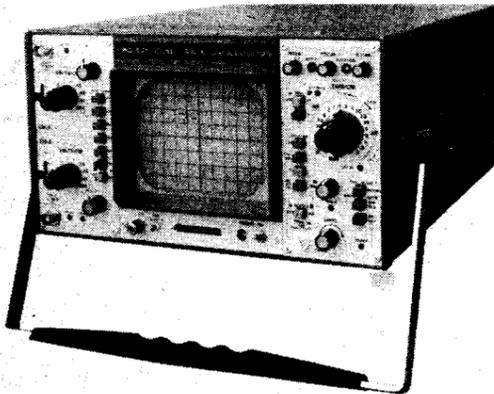
The MMCS Technical Library is featuring a display of books and other materials about women during Federal Women's Program week. Also displayed are pictures of women working in various occupational fields. The books are available for loan. The display will remain up through August 31.

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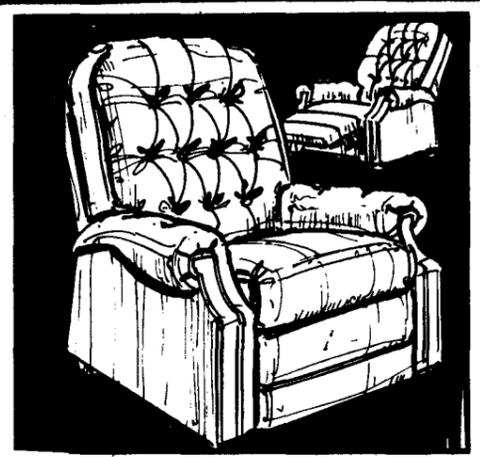
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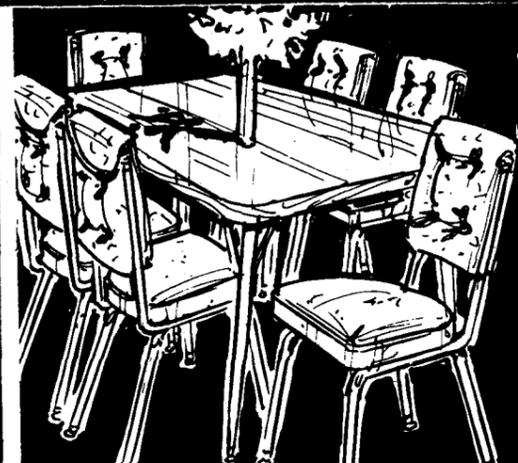
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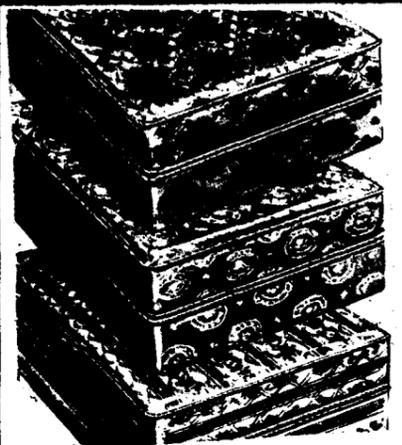
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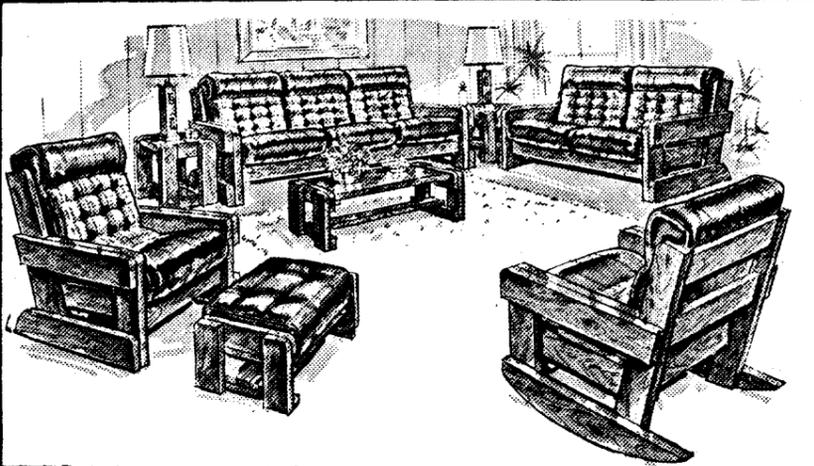
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