

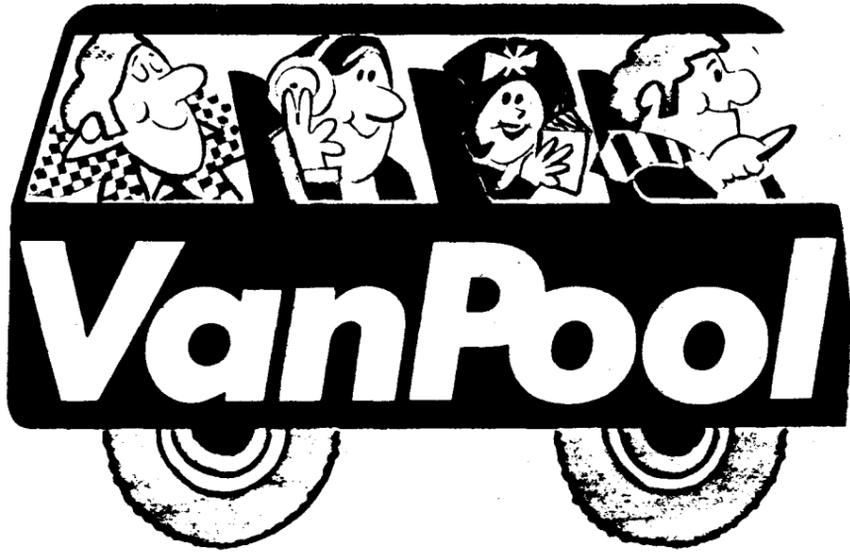
# The Redstone Rocket

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## 100 responses in vanpool survey



A vanpool interest survey printed two weeks ago in the ROCKET has brought in about one hundred responses, according to Linda Simmons, parking project officer and coordinator of the survey.

Her office hasn't finished sorting the responses into compatible groups, Simmons said.

Because some workers complained that they missed seeing the survey form because they were on leave when it appeared Thanksgiving week, the Rocket is running the form again this week.

The survey is designed to see how many arsenal workers might

be interested in vanpooling. It doesn't commit you to joining a vanpool.

A Huntsville business interested in setting up vanpool service for the arsenal requested the survey.

The company will provide vans and drivers, plus take care of all the business details of vanpooling — insurance, vehicle maintenance, state permits, etc. Rates for riding haven't been set yet, but will be based on the distance the van travels and the number of people in the pool.

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## National training center set up at Fort Irwin

WASHINGTON — Tired of those weeks of three-day exercises where you don't even fire your M-16 or set up your ratt rig? The National Training Center at Fort Irwin, Calif., will change that.

In August, the Army announced its selection of Fort Irwin as the site for the NTC. According to DA officials, Fort Irwin is being used by some combat battalions now and should be up to maximum training use by 1985. Fort Irwin is now run by the California Army National Guard.

Major Dave Barth, NTC project officer at U.S. Army Forces Command Headquarters, Fort McPherson, Ga., explained that the idea for a national training center first surfaced in 1976.

"It was decided that the army needed an area where battalion engagement simulation and live fire exercises could be conducted in a realistic combat situation within CONUS," he stated. "Fort Irwin offers the area and facilities to support that kind of training."

When fully operational, every FORSCOM mechanized armor battalion with its supporting units will rotate through the NTC for two weeks of intensive training every 18 months. Units will deploy and redeploy under realistic mobilization conditions. While at the NTC, units will be in the field 100 percent of the time under simulated combat conditions.

Barth commented that training at Fort Irwin NTC will focus on battalion exercises against an opposing force and battalion live fire exercises using computer-controlled targets.

"We will focus on pitting one army heavy combat battalion against an appropriate sized

unit during the engagement simulation play," Barth said. "The exercise will be monitored and recorded by an operations group using the central computer. Full electronic warfare jamming and other realistic combat tactics will be used against the Army battalion. We want the training to be as intensive and realistic as possible."

### Computer feedback

"Everything that happens will be stored in the computer to provide quick feedback for the unit on how it fared during the exercises," he continued. "We'll also be able to provide the unit with a record copy of the entire exercise, to include audio-visual tapes, so they may use it to evaluate and improve their training programs."

Units scheduled for training at the NTC will be notified by FORSCOM in the future. Barth explained that NTC personnel will make coordination visits to units at their home stations to discuss arrangements for NTC training.

When units arrive at Fort Irwin, they will draw equipment, participate in tactical engagement simulation exercises, live fire tactical exercises, and turn in the equipment.

Presently, the U.S. Army Intelligence Command and School is developing the organization and manning plan for the opposing force. According to Barth, opposing force equipment will include M551 Sheridan reconnaissance vehicles made-up to look like potential adversary vehicles and will arrive at the NTC between March 1980 and July 1981.

This will be done under the direction of the U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command.

An NTC test is scheduled for January through March 1980 to test the training procedures to be used at Fort Irwin, said Barth. A large scale exercise, Gallant Eagle 80, which will involve some 18,000 personnel, is scheduled for Fort Irwin in early 1980.

Soldiers permanently stationed at the NTC can expect Fort Irwin to compare favorably with most CONUS posts in the facilities and services offered such as the PX, theater, snack bar, cleaners, gas station, and commissary.

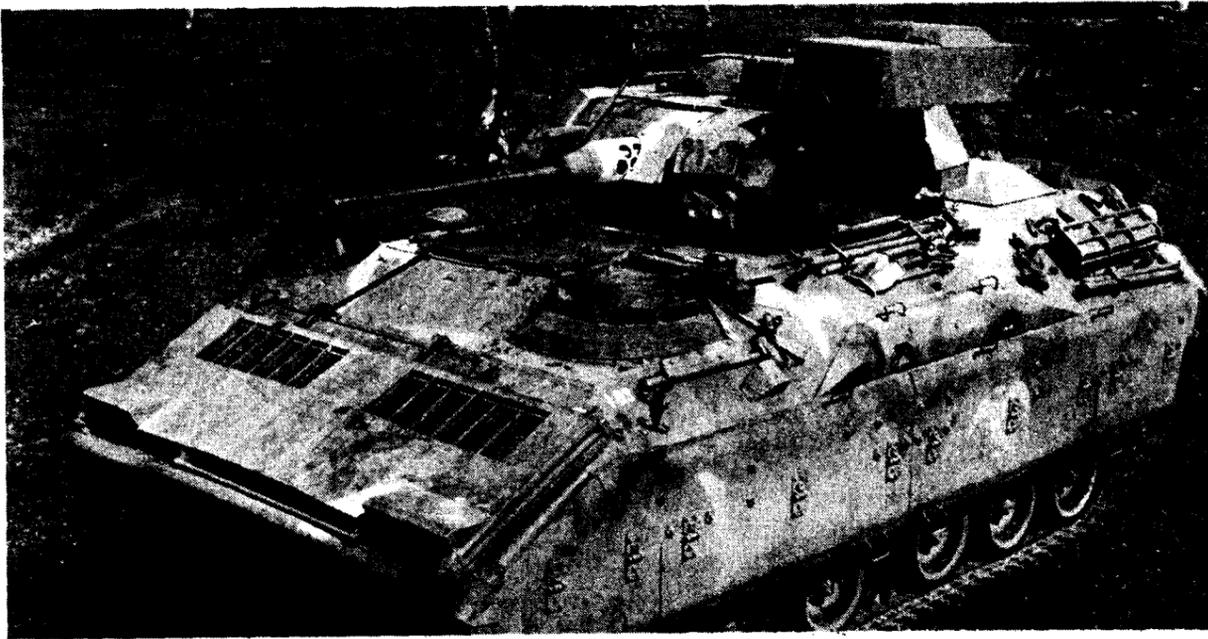
Lt. Col. Julian Amador, operations officer for the California Army National Guard at the Fort Irwin training site, remarked that Fort Irwin has 19 barracks which can hold over 4,500 people. All the barracks have air conditioning and heating. In addition, he added there are 262 BOQ-BEQ room spaces available, 18 company size (200-capacity) dining facilities and one consolidated (1,000) dining hall.

### Wide-range training

The most important feature of Fort Irwin is the wide range of training possibilities it provides. The post's exercise areas can handle one total force combat brigade for free-play ground and air exercises at any one given time, according to Amador.

The air space over Fort Irwin is controlled by the post, so aircraft exercises can be

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**Look of the future**

The Army's new Infantry Fighting Vehicle, scheduled to replace the M113 Armored Personnel Carrier, is undergoing development testing at Aberdeen Proving Ground, Md. Armament for the vehicle includes the MICOM developed TOW tank killer. The

Proving Ground is conducting safety, tracking and turret testing, along with mobility evaluations, including swim tests, and actual firings. The vehicle is expected to go into production in early 1981.

# 'Dream Sale' featured at PX for Christmas

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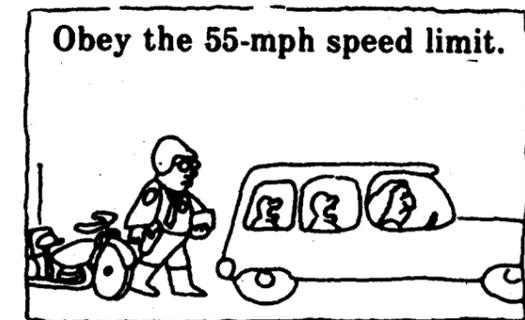
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# Frazier pledges his best for Special Troops

BY KATHY HOUSE

"I don't have any plans and goals (while at Redstone) except to do the best I can for the kids."

The "kids" are the MICOM Special Troops. The speaker is Lt. Col. Errol R. Frazier, their new commander.

Calling the troops "kids" isn't meant as a put-down. Frazier speaks of soldiers with affection and respect. But he also looks at the young soldier with the perspective of a long-term worker who worked his way up through the enlisted ranks to his present rank.

What he can do for the soldier now, according to Frazier, is "put those leadership ideas that I've developed over 18 years into effect."

Frazier isn't worried about the quality of today's troops. "I don't happen to think there's a large distinction between young people coming in today and those who came in 20 or 30 years ago," he says flatly.

But he is concerned about whether the Army makes the most of soldiers' potential.

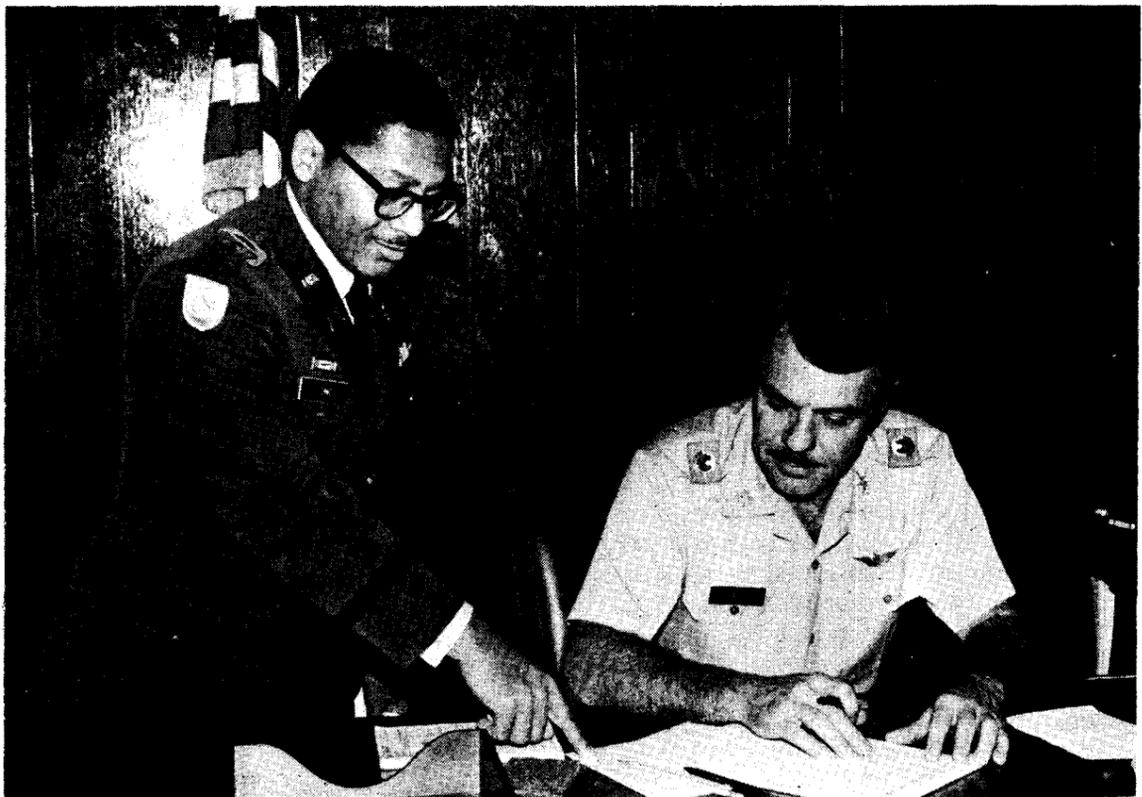
Soldiers come out of basic training "rarin' to go," Frazier said, but become disappointed if they are given training in one MOS and then assigned to another.

An MOS mis-match means that "we can't maintain the challenge and motivation at the same level as it was at the end of training," Frazier said.

As far as Redstone in particular goes, Frazier thinks one problem for the younger troops is a lack of recreational opportunities.

"This post has an unbelievable number of things to offer older service members, those with families and cars . . . but I think it leaves a lot to be desired when you consider what we're providing the young troops."

Frazier said Morale Support is now working to fix up a recreation area across from the barracks and to make some recreational equipment available near the barracks.



Frazier discusses plans for "helping the kids" with Capt. John Long.

"Right now a guy has to go all the way to rec services just for a football," Frazier said. "I've got to take steps to insure that a limited number of things are available right here."

Not that Frazier believes soldiers should get everything they ask for.

"At one time I thought the Army was going to a great extreme, trying to gratify all their (the soldiers') wishes, whether it would be good for them or not," Frazier said. "I think the pendulum has swung back now to a more reasonable spot."

What the Army has to offer that's special is its people, according to Frazier.

"The Army IS people," he said. "It's the opportunity to work with people from all walks of life. Every assignment that you look back on with fond memories, it's the people you think of. You get so close."

"I never thought I could say I enjoyed anything about Vietnam," Frazier continued, "but I enjoyed the hell out of some aspects . . . I never envisioned in my life to be as close as I was to people there."

"In civilian life people tend to go their own ways, toward their own little families," Frazier said. "In the Army, you're close. We go through the same experiences. We build camaraderie."

## Purple Heart awarded to soldier wounded in Iran

WASHINGTON — SSgt. Delmar R. Noble was awarded the Purple Heart Thursday in a ceremony at Selfridge Air National Guard Base, Mich.

Noble earned the award after being wounded Feb. 14 while defending the U.S. Embassy in Tehran, Iran. The Purple Heart is awarded in the name of the president to anyone, military or civilian, wounded or killed in action against hostile forces.

The 11-year veteran was assigned as the

NCOIC of the secretary of the joint staff, Military Advisor Assistance Group. His duties included maintaining a courier service between the U.S. Embassy and the Iranian supreme commander's staff compound, and other administrative actions.

On the morning of Feb. 14, noble was assigned as a perimeter guard at the embassy. During an attack by armed Iranians, he was wounded in the right arm.

The Vermont native is now assigned to U.S.

Army Readiness Region VI and is stationed at Selfridge, where he serves as an advisor to the reserve forces in Michigan and Indian.

His other awards include the Bronze Star, Meritorious Service Medal, Army commendation Medal, Joint Service Commendation Medal, and Good Conduct Medal with three oak leaf clusters.

Along with his tour in Iran, Noble has also served in Vietnam Germany, and various stateside assignments. (ARNEWS).

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# Army seeks NCO's to become logisticians

WASHINGTON — The Army is still seeking about 1,000 NCOs interested in becoming logisticians, according to MILPERCEN officials.

The non-commissioned officer logistics program (NCOLP) is designed to provide a pool of NCOs who are highly qualified to perform a wide range of logistics duties.

Last spring, MILPERCEN increased its recruiting efforts for the program. As a result, more applications were received than in the past two years. There are still openings in many of the MOS in the program, however.

About 1,900 positions in 25 MOS are included in the program, officials said. About 70 percent of these positions are now filled, officials added.

Applicants attend a nine-week training course at Fort Lee, Va. The course gives an overview of the entire logistics system including supply, maintenance, transportation and ammunition, officials said.

This training, an official pointed out, turns the supply sergeant into a logistician. It gives the NCO the opportunity to fill technical staff positions in key logistical assignments, he added.

The program is open to National Guardsmen and Army Reservists on a limited basis

as well as active duty soldiers, the official said.

To be eligible, NCOs must:

- Be in one of the following MOS: 32Z, 35P, 41C, 45K, 45L, 45Z, 55B, 55G, 55X, 55Z, 62B, 63C, 63H, 63Z, 64Z, 67Z, 71N, 76D, 76J, 76P, 76V, 76W, 76X, 76Y, 76Z.

- Be in grade E6 or above.

- Have scored at least 110 on their last PMOS evaluation or 70 percent on a current SQT.

- Have served at least five years in their PMOS or a combined five years in the PMOS and another MOS within the same career management field.

- Possess a secret clearance.

- Have a GT score of at least 100 — soldiers may be retested for this purpose.

- Have no military or civilian criminal record during their previous or current enlistment.

- Be physically qualified for worldwide assignment.

Waivers may be granted for any of these requirements except grade and MOS, officials said.

Selection is made by a DA board after a thorough review of the NCOs official military personnel file and application.

Upon completion of the course, graduates receive skill qualification identifier "K" and are managed by a special team within MILPERCEN, officials said.

Nomination and application procedures are included in procedure 3-35 of DA PAM 600-8. Applications must be sent through channels to MILPERCEN, Attn: DAPC-EPM-L, 2461 Eisenhower Ave., Alexandria, Va. 22331.

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# Army offers cash bonuses to enlistees with prior service

WASHINGTON — Cash bonuses and eased enlistment requirements are now being offered to people with prior service, according to DA personnel officials.

Beginning Nov. 27, prior servicemembers can enlist for cash bonuses in any of the MOS currently offering cash bonuses under the enlistment bonus program.

Previously, only six MOS offered a cash bonus to people with prior service, officials explained. Also, only those with four or less years service and a break in service of more than three months were eligible. This restriction has been removed, officials said.

Bonuses ranging from \$1,000 to \$3,000 are now offered for enlisting in one of the following MOS: 13E, 82D, 82B, 54E, 43E, 15E, 12F, 12E, 05C, 05B, 98G, 96C, 16E, 16D, 15J, 13B, 12B, 11C, 05G, 19D, 13F, 11H, 11B, 05H, 05H and 05D.

Prior servicemembers who enlisted in the delayed entry program before Nov. 27, however, are not eligible for a bonus, officials said.

To be eligible for a cash bonus, both new recruits and prior servicemembers must:

- Be a high school diploma graduate;
- Be in mental categories I-III;
- Enlist for four or more years;

● Not have previously received an enlistment bonus or, a reenlistment bonus or be currently eligible for one.

The Army is now allowing prior servicemembers with or without a high school education to enlist in some MOS for three years but without a cash bonus. The two-year enlistment option, however, is not available to prior servicemembers, officials added.

In the past, people with prior service had to enlist for at least four years unless they were enlisting for training in a combat arms MOS. A high school diploma or GED or higher aptitude scores were also required.

In an effort to equalize the enlistment criteria for prior servicemembers, the Army is now allowing those without high school diplomas or GEDs to enlist as long as they are in mental categories I-III. Those who are high school graduates in mental categories I-IIIB can enlist.

Aptitude scores required of prior servicemembers are also now the same as those required of new recruits, officials added.

The Army has raised its FY 80 prior service recruiting goal from 12,500 to 14,000, officials said. (ARNEWS).

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Fort Irwin is located in the upper Mojave Desert area, midway between Los Angeles and Las Vegas. The post, an area almost the size of the state of Rhode Island, has been

under the control of the California National Guard since 1972.

According to Barth, Fort Irwin will become a FORSCOM post in July 1981. It will be manned by over 2,700 military personnel and almost 500 DA civilians as "it develops into one of the Army's highest training initiatives," explained one DA official.

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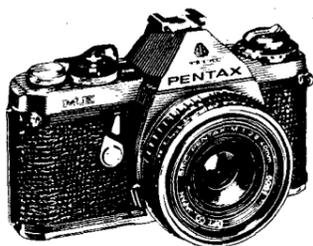
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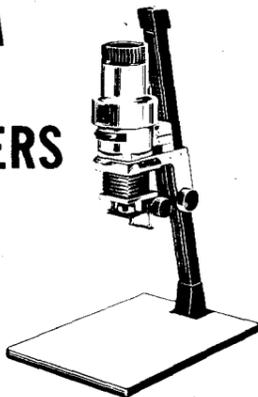
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An introduction to atmospheric flight of aircraft and missiles. Equations of motion for rigid vehicles; aerodynamic coefficients; airfoils in two- and three-dimensional flow; compressibility. Instructor: T. F. Greenwood, Ph.D.

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An introduction to microprocessor hardware, software, and applications. Digital logic; microprocessor architecture; machine and assembly languages; interfacing methods; popular microprocessors. Instructor: J. B. White, Ph.D.

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An introduction to management in business and public organizations. Historical perspectives; processes of planning, organizing, leading, staffing, and decision-making; current managerial practices. Instructor: G. P. Psihas, D.B.A.

21-611 MANAGEMENT RESPONSIBILITIES/PRACTICES. TT 4:30-6:40 p.m.

A seminar on the tasks, responsibilities, and practices of managers. Managerial performance; the manager and the worker; social impacts and responsibilities; managerial functions and skills; top management. Instructor: D. Jackson, Ph.D.

21-642 PSYCHOLOGY OF ABNORMAL BEHAVIOR . . . . . TT 6:50-9:00 p.m.

A seminar on abnormal behavior in the work environment. Symptoms, dynamics, and prevention of abnormal behavior and mental illness; effects of job stress on mental problems; treatment methods. Instructor: B. E. Bess, Jr., Ph.D.

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A detailed study of the law pertaining to government contracts. Power and authority in contracting; advertised and negotiated procurement procedures; contract performance; claims and litigation. Instructor: R. C. Hall, L.L.M.

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A study of methods and applications in forecasting technological advances. Exploratory and normative methods; Delphi technique; trend extrapolation; causal models; relevance trees; mission flow. Instructor: W. O. Davies, D.Sc.

31-504 QUANTITATIVE METHODS FOR MANAGERS. . . . . TT 6:50-9:00 p.m.

A survey of quantitative concepts and processes useful as management tools. Probability concepts; network techniques; inventory analysis; linear programming; queuing models; Markov processes. Instructor: R. C. Watson, Jr., M.S.E.

34-648 LASER APPLICATIONS . . . . . MW 6:50-9:00 p.m.

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# Big role for computers seen in MMCS future

BY LARRY PAUL

Not long ago computers were very big and so expensive not many outfits could own one. But the advance of technology has reduced both computer size and price to manageable figures, with no sacrifice in capability.

As the 80s approach, the MMCS Automation Management Division is in the process of incorporating some new computer technology into the school's system.

According to Maj. Doyling G. Patterson, chief of AMD, "A lot of our efforts right now are on trying to improve and update current automated data processing systems and introduce and apply, where practical, state-of-the-art technology to meet ADP requirements."

This would involve setting up micro-computer terminals in various offices around the school that would be patched into one big computer which could perform many data processing applications.

One of the main applications will be for easier and quicker student control. The various training sections of the school would be able to keep track of their student input through a computer which would carry all necessary information on each student.

This information could be retrieved by pressing a couple of buttons. The system



would cut down on the immense amount of paper presently used under the old filing system.

"This concept," said Patterson, "will provide users with the flexibility to enter and manipulate their own data as required, while allowing a large scale computer to tap, consolidate and merge this information as it relates to overall MMCS management."

He added, "It's just a more efficient way to store and recall information, similar to a large filing cabinet without all the paper work."

Another application for the computer is in the Word Processing Center. Through use of computers, official correspondence and various correspondence courses and soldiers manuals are being typed up and seen on a monitoring screen.

The screen check lets a user copy and make corrections without having to retype the whole manuscript.

Another application would be in the education field. In this application a computer can be used in conjunction with a television monitor to reinforce learning through a 'show and tell' type atmosphere.

The computer can be used with a text book to graphically show a student what is meant in the copy. An example of this would be of a student learning about an internal combustion engine. While the student is reading how the engine works, the computer can be showing him through graphics just what it looks like when the piston and crankshaft move and how the gases are introduced, ignited and removed. This program is presently used by Patterson for demonstration purposes.

According to Patterson, the computerization of the school will occur during the next two years . . . "if the budget allows us the expenditure."

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"But Sarge, I've heard stories about how expensive it is over there. How will I afford to live?"

Facing a tour in Germany can be a frightening prospect for a young soldier, particularly if he's married and has children.

First Sergeant Robert Beacham, Headquarters Company, US Army, recently returned from three years in US Army Europe (USAREUR). He talked about some of the realities of an assignment in Germany.

## The good times

Before going to Germany in 1976, he had also heard stories of what it was going to be like.

"The people I talked to had been stationed in Germany when the mark was four to the dollar. They remembered the good times when you could lay a quarter down instead of a dollar. When I arrived the mark was 2.50 to one."

Beacham feels there are precautions a soldier can take before going overseas.

"Soldiers should have a sponsor to the area they're going to. Each area differs. Berlin has a different economy than say Bamberg. In some areas government quarters are available, in other areas they aren't."

The sponsorship program is heavily emphasized on the European side, Beacham says, but the response from the soldiers stateside is rather negative.

"Let's say I'm going to Europe and get caught up in the move and clearing and I don't respond to a letter from my sponsor. When I get to Europe, I'll be totally blind and it will be my own fault."

Although the sponsorship program became mandatory September 1 for all soldiers with dependents, junior enlisted soldiers are generally sent to the 21st Replacement Battalion in Frankfurt for assignment.

In the Ansbach community, where Beacham was the Administrative Services NCO for the deputy community commander, sponsors were assigned as soon as the unit received word of a soldier's assignment.

## Be prepared

One of the problems Beacham saw during his tour involved the non-command sponsored soldier and his family.

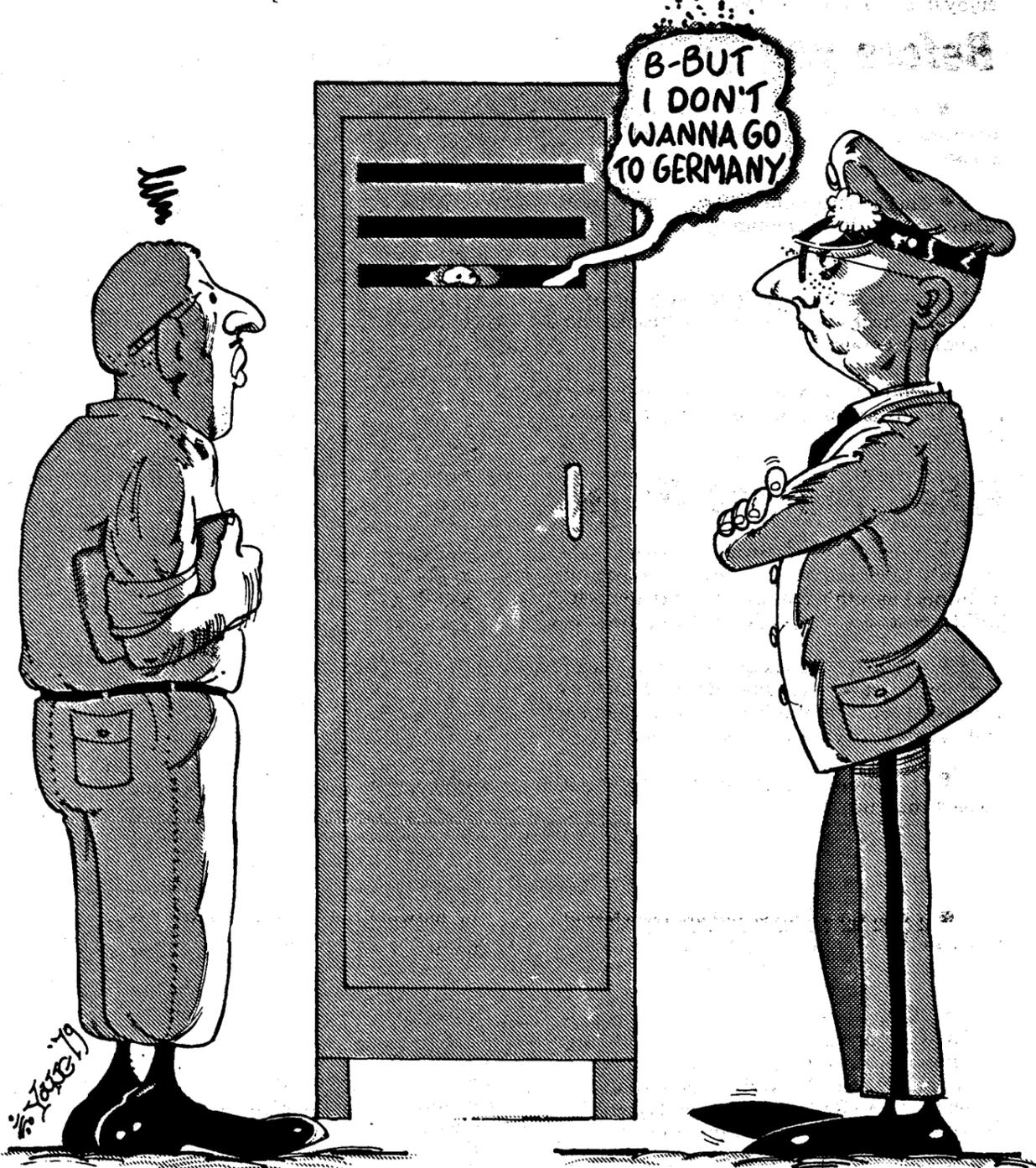
"A young soldier doesn't want to leave his wife and family back home. If he's not command sponsored, he'll bring his family over anyway and then leave them in an environment that's challenging, to say the least.

"These soldiers are shy of the command because they think they're doing something wrong and consequently, they don't go through the Housing Referral Office for help in finding an apartment."

According to Beacham, the Housing Referral Office and community services "bend over backward" to help newly arrived soldiers whether they're command sponsored or not.

"For many of these young soldiers, it's the first time they've been out of the U.S. They encounter a totally different culture and language.

"On top of that, the first thing they run into is the high cost of setting up a household. To be comfortable and able to



cope with all situations, soldiers should have about \$1,000 on hand.

"They'll need that money to buy necessities, pay the rent and in most cases a security deposit. In some cases, shortages of government issued items such as washers and dryers occur and the family has to rely on the laundromat.

"If government or leased quarters aren't available, the soldier will need a car to get back and forth to work. Insurance will run anywhere from \$500 to \$1,000 a year depending on the car, age and rank of the driver, etc."

## Use the HRO

Before entering into a legal contract for housing, soldiers should check with Housing Referral to make sure the housing is suitable, Beacham stressed.

"A lot of our troops go over there and live in substandard accommodations," he said.

"Soldiers have to understand that in most cases, the contract or lease is based on marks rather than dollars. When you sign the contract the mark may be at 2.00 to the dollar, for example. When the mark falls to 1.80, your rent is going to increase \$10 for every \$100 you were originally paying.

Budget counseling is also a must, Beacham states. "Soldiers need to be coached on what they buy and where they buy things. Sometimes you have to spend an extra 10 or 15 minutes to go to the

commissary rather than the PX but it pays off in the long run.

"Quite frankly," Beacham admits, "you can't exist solely on the German economy on our pay scale. You have to use the services provided by the military.

"The Army community provides a multitude of services -- Dependent Youth Activities sponsors sports and recreational programs for dependents; Recreation Services has tours for the whole family; Child Care Centers enable young mothers to work and dependents may eat in dining facilities.

Beacham thinks the commanders and first line supervisors must make sure that their troops know what's going on in the community and have the time to take advantage of the services and activities offered.

"You can start a shuttle bus service from a housing area to the commissary but if nobody knows about it, you haven't really helped at all.

"Regardless of where you go, not understanding the language makes you feel awkward. What soldiers must remember is that this awkwardness is also felt by Germans who are as hesitant to try their English as G.I.s are to try German. This is a barrier that needs to be broken.

"A tour in Germany can be a very enjoyable experience," Beacham says. "Germany is a beautiful, clean country. The people are very gracious and very proud."



# First black woman aviator motivated by challenges

WASHINGTON — Authorities call it "some of the toughest training the Army offers." It's achieved by long days and nights of hard work and academic studying.

But for 2nd Lt. Marcella A. Hayes, the Army's first black woman aviator, flight school was a motivator. "You have to keep telling yourself 'I can do it. I can make it through.'" She also became the 55th woman to complete training in the Army Helicopter Flight Program at Fort Rucker, Ala. She graduated Nov. 27.

She'd only been a flight school student a few months when her view of the school changed. "Before, everything seemed so awesome," she remarked. "I guess it was because it was a whole new experience. Every day was a challenge because there was always some new skill to master."

While she met the challenge of flying, that was only part of her training. She also had to maintain an academic average of 80 and above.

Normally, she spend three to four hours in the classroom and six hours on the flight line each day. Subjects included learning how to read weather charts, how to tactically use the aircraft during an Army mission, how to navigate a course, emergency procedures, aircraft maintenance, aerodynamics, communication techniques and survival.

The Army Helicopter Flight Program covers five phases. Courses include primary, contact, instrument, night-hawk, tactics and combat maneuver training.

Her instrument instructor, Robert Stamper, wanted to find out "whether a woman had any business in the cockpit" when he requested to take her through instrument training. She received an outstanding grade on her check ride. And Stamper described her as "determined, intelligent, and willing to work hard to attain her goals."

"Later I learned that Marcy had received the highest scores among those tested by the

U.S. Army Research Institute in an exam that indicated that she could do well in instruments," said Stamper.

According to Hayes, the instrument phase is considered the most difficult of the course because so much material is thrown at students in a short period of time. "Instruments more than any other phase requires you to maintain confidence in yourself."

A gleam comes into her eyes when she talks about her first solo. "There's nothing like it. I wanted to cry out, 'look Mom, I'm flying and all by myself.' But rather than do that I just suppressed it."

During her nine months of schooling, Hayes logged 200 flight hours.

From Fort Rucker, Hayes will go to Fort Campbell, Ky., where she will probably be in an aviation maintenance branch. She hopes to supervise the maintenance of aircraft.

For 2nd Lt. Marcella Hayes, the key to success is to "stay motivated and confident that you will succeed." (ARNEWS)

## Post card application to make 1980 voting easier for soldiers

WASHINGTON—Soldiers will find it easier to register and vote in the 1980 elections.

A new Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) will be accepted in most states as both an application for registration and for absentee ballots, according to Federal Voting Assistance Program officials.

Some states, however, will still treat the first FPCA sent as a registration request only, and require voters to send another FPCA requesting absentee ballots.

The New FPCA contains 16 detailed questions, a change from the old 11-question FPCA. Questions include citizenship status, state residence, ballots requested, personal

information and social security number.

Also, the application is larger. According to officials, all states recommended this change so the new card would fit into state filing systems.

The revised FPCA will be available at military installations and at U.S. embassies and consulates beginning in January, 1980. Meanwhile, the old FPCA will continue to be accepted but many states will use it for registration only.

U.S. citizens should contact their local voting assistance officers or counselors to pick up the FPCA along with other information on absentee voting.

As long as it is mailed in a U.S. Postal facility or mailed from an APO or FPO facility, the FPCA is a postage-free form. Voters may also mail FPCAS from U.S. embassies and consulates.

Voters can help themselves and their states by filling out the FPCA legibly, signing it and mailing it early.

Individuals having questions which cannot be answered by their local voting officers should contact the Director, Federal Voting Assistance Program, Office of the Secretary of Defense, Pentagon, Washington, D.C. 20301. (ARNEWS)

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# Model trains to be displayed

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Two Redstone workers and members of the National Model Railroad Association, George Munro Robinson and Eugene Werner, will display six different sized trains running on circular tracks. The display will contain about 20 locomotives and 40-50 cars from their private collections.

The purpose of the display, according to Robinson and Werner, is to give people more information about buying and running the model trains. Brochures and fact sheets on model trains will be available.

"Most folks seldom see more than one or at the most two trains," Robinson remarked. "I quit counting my collection when I hit 100 locomotives."

Werner emphasized that model train collecting is a hobby soldiers may find especially interesting.

"I can remember when I was in the service, time often sat on your hands," Werner said. "I learned I could have train collecting out of a suitcase."

Besides running the trains, the two men will



**Werner and Robinson**

also answer questions and demonstrate putting together model trains from kits.

Robinson is a general engineer for Weapons Systems Management Directorate and Werner works at the Maintenance and Engineering Directorate.



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• **SALE # 2** •

**11:30 A.M.** — Beautiful brick home on appx. 1/2 acre lot. This well kept home has a living room, den, 3 bedrooms, 1 bath & kitchen/dining room combination. The kitchen has built-in appliances. The house, also is fully carpeted, has double garage, inside laundry, and a nice patio. Living area is appx. 1,520 sq. ft. There is, also, a concrete block shop building, appx. 711 sq. ft., that is wired and can be used for boat storage, storage space, hobby shop or extra garage. The home is extra neat, freshly painted and has storm windows. The location is only 1 mile from the school and is within easy commuting distance to Huntsville or Arab.

• **SALE # 3** •

**1:00 P.M.** — 2 nice wooded building sites located at the end of a cul-de-sac. Both tracts are large, appx. 9 and 10 acres, and are ideal building sites for a rustic mountainside home with all the privacy you would ever want. All within easy driving distance to Huntsville or Arab.

• **SALE # 4** •

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# Dental officer notes smoking's link to oral cancer

Women are catching up with men in one respect that won't cause feminists to celebrate — oral cancer. As more women take up smoking, there's also been a sudden increase in that disease among women. And smokers have a 400 percent higher risk of dying from it than nonsmokers.

Dentists routinely investigate suspicious looking areas for oral cancer, according to Col. Edward Hirsch, D.D.S., commander of Redstone Dental Activity. Usually those areas are nothing more serious than irritated tissue.

The most common sites of oral malignancies are the lips and the tongue. They're also found on the inside of the cheeks, salivary glands, palate, gum tissues, and under the tongue on the floor of the mouth, Hirsch said.

More than 8,000 Americans die each year because of oral cancer, but most could have been saved if they had heeded early warning signs of the disease.

One of the earliest signs of oral cancer can be a white or yellow-white patch that feels leathery to the touch. Other signs patients should watch for include any lump in the soft

tissue of the mouth, sores that don't heal, difficulty in swallowing, red spots, and hoarseness. If one of these signs is discovered, the patient should see a dentist.

"A word to the wise has not proved to be sufficient when it comes to the relationship between smoking and oral cancer," Hirsch said. "The diagnosis of 15,000 new cases of oral cancer in the nation each year, about half of which are fatal, testifies to the widespread disregard for prevention of this serious disease."

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*TVA's Solar Homes for the Valley Project began in 1977 with the design of two passive solar homes. Ten of these homes have been recently completed or are under construction across the Tennessee Valley as Phase I of the project. Phase II of the project expands the number of designs to 11 and the number of houses to 44. In this phase, the houses will be monitored for performance as they are lived in. Throughout the project, TVA hopes to encourage the construction of these homes by private contractor by making the house plans available. (TVA's Citizen Action Lines are 1-800-251-9242 for those calling from states other than Tennessee, and 632-4100 for those calling in Knoxville. These Action Lines can provide details in obtaining house plans.)*

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Sincerely,

Tennessee Elk River Development Agency

W.A.(Bill) Smith

Tims Ford Administrator

# Young Apollos win city soccer championship

BY RAY ROWDEN

"I'm very proud of the kids," said Lt. Col. C.L. Goodridge, "not just because they won the city championship, but because of the way they handled themselves. We lost a couple of games, but they handled it gracefully, especially for a team of 12 and under."

Goodridge coaches the Apollo youth soccer team, whose members are the dependents of active and retired military personnel in the area. They finished their eight-game regular season with a 5-3-1 record which, although quite respectable, was not the best in their league.

## Not top-seeded

So they were not the top-seeded team in the single elimination city tournament sponsored by the Optimists. But three tournament victories earned them the crown.

And the last game, against the top-seeded team, was a real thriller. The score was tied after 50 minutes of fast action against a running clock with only a 10 minute break at the half.

And neither team scored in the following two 8-minute periods of sudden death overtime. So the winner was decided by a "shootout."

Five players from each team received a penalty kick against a goal defended only by



the goalie. Two Apollo players succeeded. Only one of their opponents did.

Their coach feels the reasons behind the Apollos' success lay in several areas. He said, "It's somewhat due to individual abilities. You can't produce a winning team without talent."

He said that basic soccer skills were also important. "We spent better than half of each practice developing fundamental skills —

passing, trapping, shooting and heading the ball." Since these skills involve every part of the body except the arms and legs, they are almost alien to most Americans.

"But the real key was team discipline. Playing together, learning to pass instead of dribbling through alone — the other coaches and I worked hard at that."

## Guts of the team

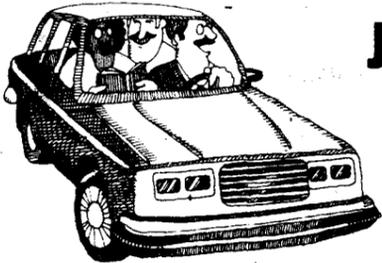
Goodridge said the last building block to the team's success was . . . "Competitiveness — what I call the guts of the team. Any team will play to its desire to win, and that has to come from within the individuals."

One of the major problems the team faced was finding a coach. They did not practice until four days before the first game of the season.

That reinforces a need Goodridge is very concerned about. "The sports program needs coaches. We need more coaches so more kids can participate. I'm sure that the community benefits from sports programs. The community gets better kids, who grow into better adults."

"Athletics are like an encapsulated form of life," he said. "They teach kids to use their individual skills for the good of a team, how to get along with others, and it develops their desire to excel and win."

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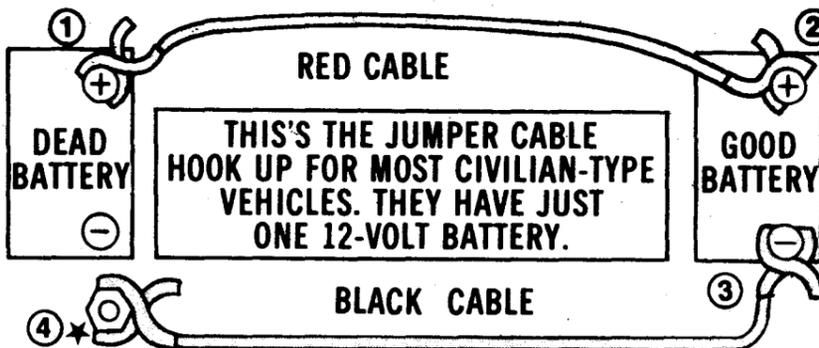
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## Announcements

### Senator Stewart is AUSA speaker

Senator Donald Stewart will be guest speaker at the AUSA Corporate Member Luncheon on Friday Dec. 7 at the Sheraton Motor Inn. Social period starts at 12, followed by lunch at 12:30 p.m. and the address by Senator Stewart on the SALT II Treaty.

### OWC fetes senior citizens

The Redstone Officers Wives Club will hold the annual Christmas Coffee Morning with the Huntsville senior citizens on Dec. 11, 1979 at 10 a.m. in the main ballroom of the Officers Club. The Johnson High School Chorale Singers will entertain. Santa will be there too. Live Poinsettias will be available at the Ways and Means Table. Reservations should be in no later than Dec. 7 to Sue Malinofsky 837-8996.

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### Aetna agent to be here Dec. 12

Aetna insurance representative Doris Gilliland will be on post to answer questions about Aetna health insurance from 9 to 10:30 a.m. in room 50, Bldg. 7442 on Dec. 12. Gilliland will not be at the arsenal on Dec. 26, when she was originally scheduled to come.

## FWP recognizes four supervisors

Four supervisors have been recognized by the local Federal Women's Program for their efforts and achievements toward advancement of women in the Missile Command workforce.

Receiving the "First Line Supervisory Award" for this year was Wesley Allen of Procurement and Production.

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