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Moves involve 1,500 workers

About 1,500 MICOM soldiers and civilians will move in the next few months. A few already have.

The Missile Intelligence Agency (MIA) will relocate to Bldg. 4505. Several project offices and the well-travelled staff of the International Logistics Directorate (IL) are also headed to new surroundings.

Sixty-one people of the RASA headquarters staff settled into new quarters on the second and third floors of Bldg. 112, the old hospital, during the weekend, leaving their former home, Bldg. 7101. The Chaparral — FAAR Project Office is also due to leave 7101 later this year for Bldg. 5250.

International Logistics started out in Bldg. 5681, moved to 5250, moved again last year to 4505, and will shift next week to Bldg. 3623, former site of the commissary now newly-renovated into office space.

A cadre from the Lance project office shifting with the system to the Weapons Systems Management Directorate will move from 4505 to Bldg. 7156 on Redstone Rd. The General Accounting Office staff will go there too from 5250.

Bldg. 4505 is being converted into a high security facility with

changes that include bricking up first floor windows and putting up a perimeter security fence. MIA people now working on the first floor of "B" wing and the second floor of "C" wing in 5250 are due to move to 4505 in mid-May. Other MIA operations will phase into 4505 over the next few months as modifications in the building are completed.

The Hellfire project is due to move from 4505 into 5250 in mid-July, taking some of the space now used by MIA. The Multiply Launch Rocket System will follow. Two new weapon system management offices are also scheduled for 5250. The legal and safety office may be involved in relocations within 5250. Details have not been worked out.

Shifts within Bldg. 4488 also planned to start in mid-May. When completed, the Procurement and Production Directorate will have the first two floors with Roland, Stinger, Hawk, Targets and some legal operations on the top floor.

Bldg. 3649 is being renovated and soon will be the new home of the Criminal Investigation Command, Redstone operation and military police investigators.

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Last drop

SGM Klaus Maag, the senior German Army NCO here, "bleeds" for the last time at Redstone. A regular contributor,

he will take his supply of O+ to Virginia soon when the German Army Liaison Office relocates to Fort Lee.

New group helps spouse of abuser

Does your spouse have an alcohol or drug problem? If so, there is help for you.

The Human Resources Development Office at Redstone is starting a group specifically for people who feel alcohol or drug abuse has become a problem in their home.

The group is open to active duty and retired military and dependents, and Army civilians.

Billie Napper of the Human Resources Development Office said, "The program is designed to enable the person to cope with the substance abuser and keep the family functional and intact.

"Attendance is confidential and no report will be made to spouses, supervisors, or to anyone else." Napper stressed.

Qualified alcohol and drug counselors will conduct the meetings. They will be held on Mondays, mornings at 9:30 and evenings at 7:30 upstairs in Bldg 3491 (ACS building, east end). Napper said anyone who wants to attend but can't at those times should call a counselor at Human Resources Development Office, 876-7256.

Prospects for vanpools are appearing bleak

One concern has decided against providing vanpool service for Redstone but another is now looking at the idea, according to Linda Simmons.

Simmons, who handles the vanpool program for RASA, said results of a local vanpooling interest survey are now being looked at by the second concern, which has expressed an interest in providing vanpool service for the arsenal.

About 275 interested people responded to the vanpooling survey conducted here several months ago. About half lived in Huntsville and the other respondents were in outlying commuting areas.

If the present prospect declines to establish an arsenal vanpool service, then it's unlikely any will be forthcoming anytime soon, Simmons indicated.

She said various vanpooling options that are working at other places have been examined

to see if they could be applied here — but with no success. One system that is working at Aberdeen Proving Ground and other military installations involves vanpools set up by employee groups or welfare councils through purchase arrangements with employee credit unions. But the local credit union indicated no interest in such an arrangement, said Simmons.

It is feared that the current economic situation and high interest rates may dash any hope of people buying vans to haul passengers, but it's remotely possible that these same factors could force the cost of commuting so high that vanpooling would become more attractive.

Simmons says the Army can't get into the vanpooling business because it would be unlawful. "I don't know what we can do unless some private firm comes in", she said.

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Letters

Guardian angel needed at gate

Editor:

Do you live near MMCS? Have you considered walking or riding a bicycle? Do you value your life? Gates 8 and 10 are designed to constrict traffic into narrow channels. Drivers are busy watching the MP, saluting, changing gears, turning lights on and off, etc. They have little time for pedestrians or bicycles. Last summer I rode my bicycle regularly to work. The city of Huntsville has a marked bicycle route that puts you on Patton Road near gate 10. From there on you need a guardian angel.

Driving home out gate 8 the other evening I watched a mother pushing a baby in a stroller. She was on the gravel off the roadway and struggling. In early 1979 I submitted a suggestion that a bicycle and pedestrian entrance be provided at gate 10. It was disapproved and the reason stated: "The number of bicycle riders and pedestrians entering gate 10 does not justify the cost for a pedestrian and bicycle gate."

How many people walk along Goss Road? Yet I see a sidewalk being built along it. At gate 8 a beautiful entrance marker was erected. Obviously public image is more important than safety.

Maybe if we had a pedestrian-bicycle entrance there would be more people brave enough to walk or ride their bicycle.

Robert C. Szeremi
CWO2

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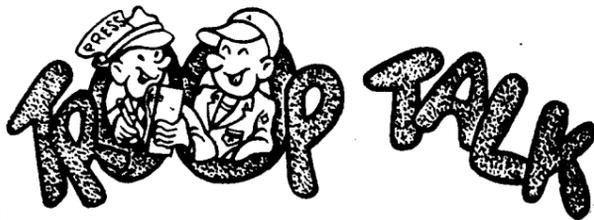
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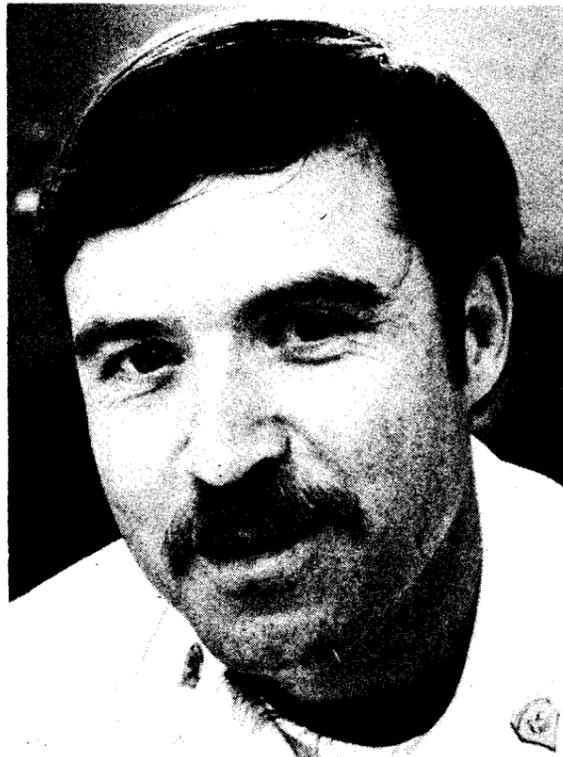
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What do you think of the Army's semi-centralized system for promotions to E-5 and E-6?



SGM Franklin D. Chrisman, MP Ops — "In some ways it's good and in some ways it's not. But it is the same for everyone. Some people will fare well under it and others won't. It requires a person to go to personnel to insure their records are complete. The old system of commanders promoting the people who work for them was better in some ways."



Sp5 Charles Reneau, MEDDAC — "If a guy takes the initiative, completes the correspondence courses and does well on the SQT, he should have no problems. Whether it's fair or not, the points are there if you go after them."



SSgt. Jacinto Arizmendez, HHC — "It's not worth a flip. It should be centralized a DA to avoid the influence that personal feelings now have. Your records reflect what kind of soldier you are. They should be reviewed by a board of people who know absolutely nothing about you."



Sp5 Dwight Vincent, DENTAC — "I don't think it should be the way it is. You can almost have an Associates Degree, but if you don't have enough awards in your records you can't be promoted. I don't think it's fair. The number of promotion points you have is no way of determining how well you do your job or how good a soldier you are."



SFC George Trendell, Co. A — "Well, I sat on several boards on my last overseas tour in Turkey and I think it's a good system. It gives the commanders and senior NCOs in the unit a say in who gets promoted and who doesn't. One problem is the lack of the valid SQT for many MOSSs. Another problem is that many people are recommended for promotion who are not qualified. That hurts the individual."

Hancock gets energy post

MICOM put its efforts to save all forms of energy under central control last week.

Maj. Gen. Louis Rachmeler named Paul Hancock, facilities engineer, as the command's energy officer and appointed 18 senior managers and directors to an energy advisory group headed by Brig. Gen. Jack Apperson.

A new command regulation is being readied to spell out details of what will be done.

Hancock, MICOM's new "Mister Energy", is to run the program, under the overall direction of the commander. Rachmeler said Hancock will have his full backing. Apperson and his committee will advise the commander on what can be done and how to do it.

Speaking for Rachmeler at the committee's first meeting April 18, Col. Harvey Day, MICOM Chief of Staff, said: "We have been leaders in energy conservation and we expect to continue. Energy conservation is no longer voluntary. It is the thing to do . . . MICOM will do everything necessary to meet or exceed the goals."

Goals on all types of energy use have been in effect and gradually tightened for several years.

That will continue, but Hancock says the program is headed in new directions.

"We have got to be looking forward, planning everything we do with an eye on what it will do to energy use," he said. "That goes for new buildings, major moves of people, Training, buying equipment, even designing new weapon systems.

"Paul Hancock won't be making those judgements and decisions, but part of my responsibility is to see that some one makes them.

"In effect we have got to make sure that energy is part of the decision making process on everything from now on. How much, what kind and are there better ways to do it are some of the questions that have to be answered."

Hancock said the effort will involve everyone in the command in one way or another. He plans to use special working groups to study specific areas such as car and van pooling.



A year later

Spring's familiar signs are showing all over the arsenal, but this isn't one of them. It is one of the shade trees that formerly graced the east lawn of MICOM headquarters building. The trees received a "hat rack" pruning

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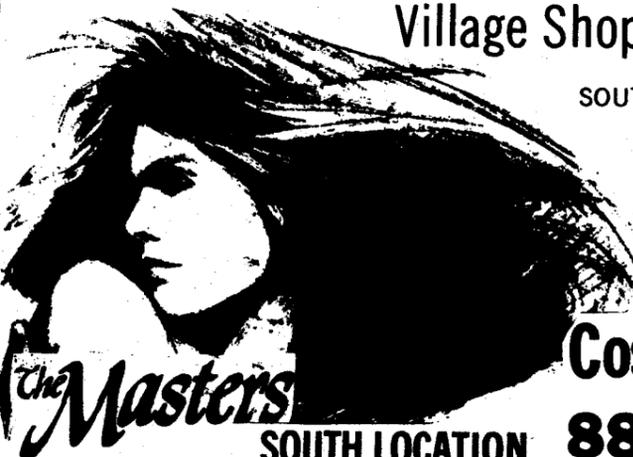
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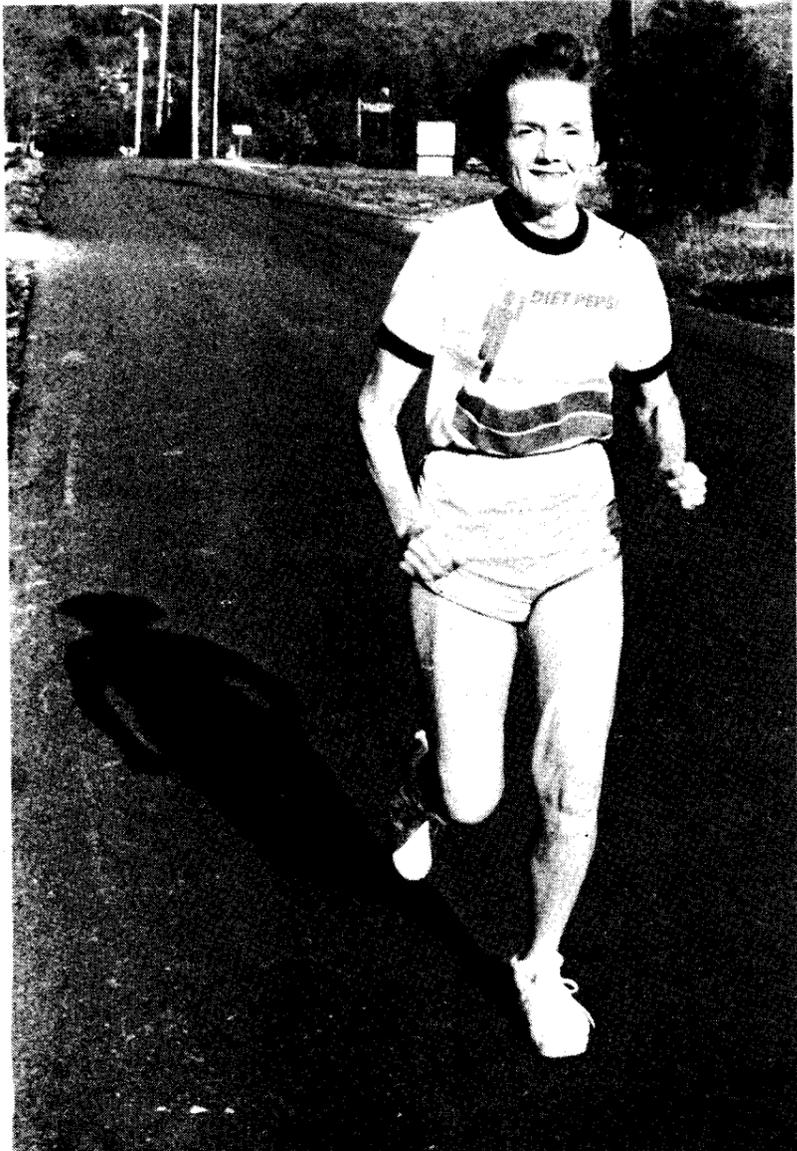
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She hurries home to run

By RAY ROWDEN



Park at full stride

When 3:30 p.m. rolls around Alene Park can't get home from work quickly enough.

It's not because she dislikes her job as a secretary in the Training Support Division of the MMCS Directorate of Training Developments.

Park is a runner and she schedules her daily run right after work.

"I started running about 12 years ago on a small scale. I just wanted the exercise and overall feeling of well being.

"It's definitely done for me everything I expected."

However, Park's route to better health also led to unexpected results for the 54-year-old Alabama native. She became a competitive sportswoman.

At the urging of her friend and running companion, Jimmie Bradford, Park entered a three mile run at Milton Frank Stadium last November. She was hooked.

Already this spring she has won the women's 40-and-over division

in 10,000 meter (6.2 mile) events at Guntersville and Panama City. Her 48 minutes, 19 seconds finish

at the Florida event put her ahead of the top finisher in the women's 35-39 division.

While Park is proud of these accomplishments, her aim is set still higher. She plans to enter several longer events this year to prepare herself for December's Rocket City Marathon.

She said, "My longest run so far has been thirteen and a half miles — about a half a marathon. But I've run the whole marathon course in sections."

Her current training regimen includes a daily run of about six miles with a longer run, about 10 miles, once a week.

Although she is quite pleased with the physical benefits of running, Park added, "The rewards are not all physical. Running promotes a healthy mental and emotional outlook on life, too. I would highly recommend it to anyone."

On racing, she said, "It's a lot of fun — for the whole family. I love getting outdoors, and you meet a lot of interesting people."

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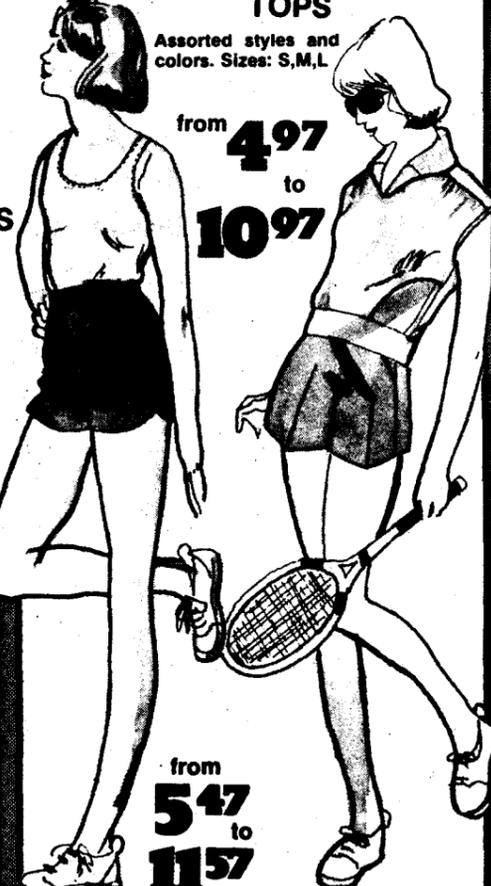
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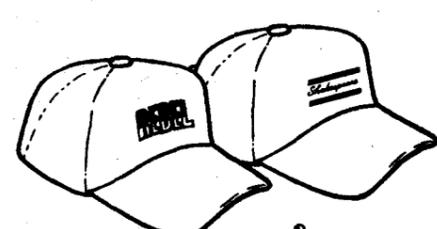
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As part of the week's activity, soldier volunteers will help the city with a beautification project, anti-litter messages are being displayed around post, and workers are being asked to donate a small amount of time to police the grounds around their work areas.

SFC Thomas Profis, who heads the cleanup campaign, said special emphasis is being put on the military housing area. Flyers have been sent to all residents explaining the campaign and stressing that caring for homes is a cooperative effort shared by families, neighbors, and post housing and engineering agencies, Profis said.

He said hoses and sprinklers, all types of garden tools, grass seed and fertilizer, paint and brushes and other tools and accessories are being provided for military residents.

And during Spring Cleanup Week, extra trash runs have been scheduled for the

housing area to pick up yard and shrubbery trimmings and other debris.

Supervisors of MICOM civilians have been asked to give their workers who want to help in the cleanup an extra 30 minutes at lunch to go outside and police the grounds in their area, said Profis.

Profis said the arsenal also is supporting "Project Concerned", the city of Huntsville's counterpart to the Army's Spring Cleanup Week, and both groups will participate in "Keep America Beautiful Day" in Huntsville on Saturday, April 26.

For that observance the Army is sending 45 soldier volunteers and several trucks to help put up flags along Memorial Parkway while businesses along the route have beautified their places under the city's Clean Community Systems program, Profis said.

He added that soldiers volunteering for the "Keep America Beautiful Day" project will be transported in Army buses and served a free breakfast at the Hilton on Saturday morning.

Enlisted biologists sought by Army

WASHINGTON — Some E5s and below may qualify to be biological sciences assistants (MOS 01H) with the U.S. Army Medical Research and Development Command.

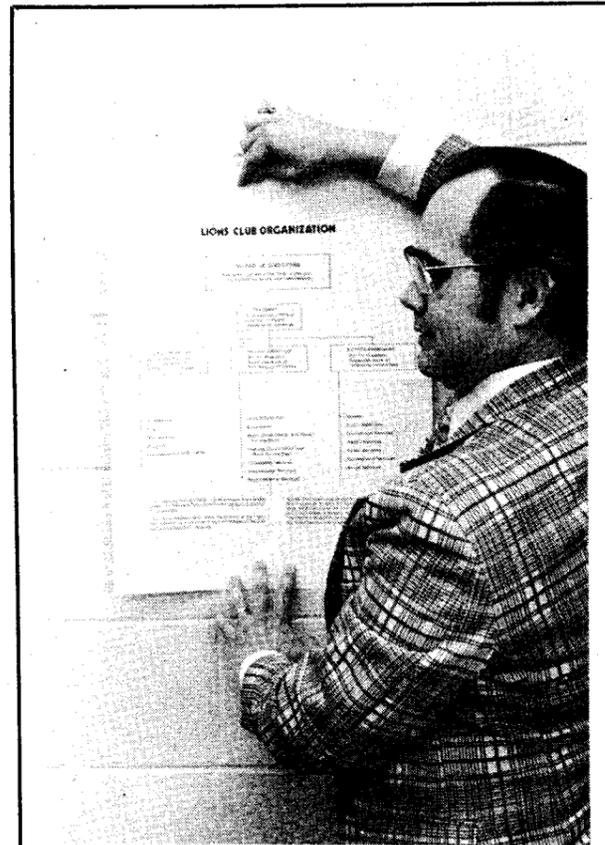
Soldiers must have a college degree in the biological sciences to be eligible.

A biological sciences assistant helps in designing, conducting and evaluating experiments. They may work with lasers, test animals, operate a computer or help in surgery.

Advanced individual training for this MOS is not available. Individuals will learn their jobs through on-the-job-training.

Interested soldiers should talk with their unit reenlistment NCO's about changing to, or reuping for, MOS 01H.

For more information on MOS 01H, soldiers may write: U.S. Army Aeromedical Research Laboratory, Attn: SGRD-UAC-Sp5 Bucha, P.O. Box 577, Fort Rucker, Ala. 36362.



Lionized

Everett R. Segui Jr., a general engineer in the Product Assurance Directorate, looks over the organizational chart of his new domain having been elected District 34 Governor of Lions International. His district covers the 14 counties in Northeast Alabama, which has 40 clubs and 1256 members. He has been employed at Redstone since 1965 when he was hired as a summer student from UAH.

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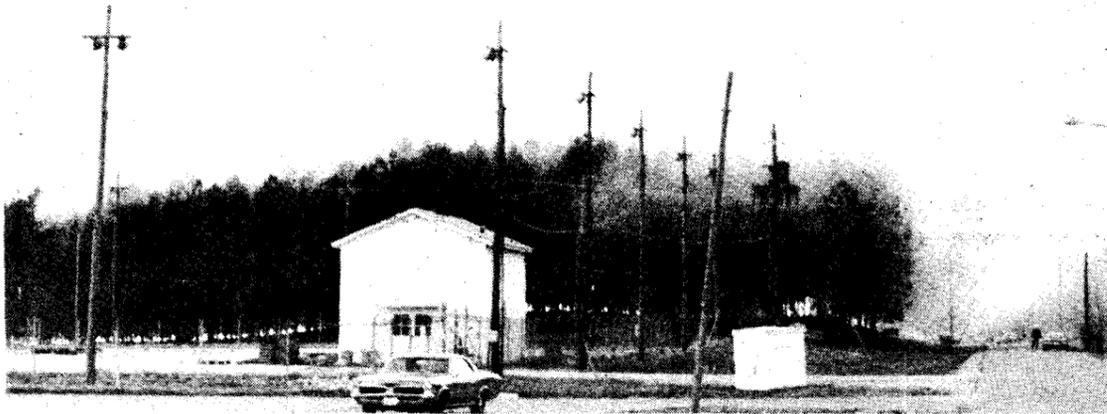
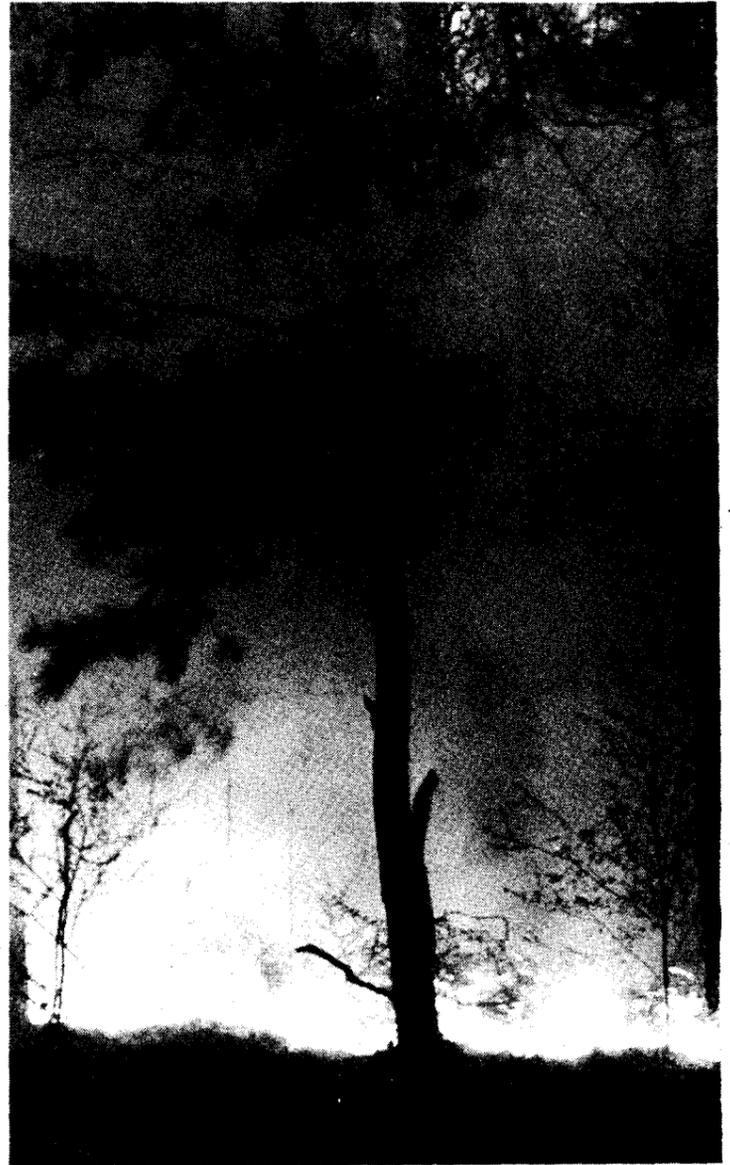
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Ward's Foam Inc., a firm building Stinger missile containers, was given \$23,113.38 — one-half the amount their value engineering change saved the Army.

Procurement Specialist Charles Ferry said firms whose value engineering changes result in cost savings to the Army can be given 50 percent of the amount saved as a reward.

In Ward's case, the original contract called for a wooden box to be treated with preservative and painted with a specialized primer and enamel system for camouflage. Ward suggested a stain be incorporated with the preservative to achieve the same purpose.

Elimination of the special coatings saved about \$8 per container for a total of \$46,226.75, with half going to Ward's. The firm also proposed a change in the color of the foam packing which too resulted in a cost savings.

Company president Paul Ward Jr. was presented a check last week by J.A. Muller, MICOM director of Procurement and Production, who noted the benefits the sharing arrangement can provide for both the contractor and the Army.

Ferry said both the P&P Directorate and the Stinger Project Office worked closely with the contractor in developing the value engineering idea.

Said Ward, "We've had our eyes opened to a very worthwhile program and you can bet we're going to stay alert for any areas where we feel a value engineering change is possible."



The reward

Muller presents a check to Ward as Claude E. Johnson, Stinger value engineering manager, looks on.

Proposal saves Army \$6.5 million

Six men working on development of the Army's new free flight artillery rocket have saved the Army an estimated \$6.5 million with a value engineering proposal.

They are James Coble, Raymond Brooks, John Mehoves, Eston Lovingood, Jr., Kenneth Luttrell, all of the Multiple Launch Rocket System Project's Program Management Division; and Gerald Smith, Technical Management Division, who is the project office's value engineering coordinator.

Brig. Gen. Jack Apperson, MICOM's Deputy Commander for Readiness, praised the men for their contributions at the command staff meeting last week and presented them value engineering certificates of achievement.

Dr. Charles Garrison, MICOM's Value

Engineering Director, said the \$6.5 million is the largest savings submitted to the command thus far this year, approved and validated.

The savings resulted from a recommended change in MLRS production deliveries, including the use of double and triple work shifts which reduce the costs for initial production facilities.

"We were looking at tooling, scheduling and the Army's delivery requirements on MLRS when we got the idea for the alternate plan," Lovingood said. "Under our plan, the delivery quantities will remain the same but will be more constant over the long haul than having the big peak at the end. We also recommended double and possible trip work shifts which better utilize tooling and reduce equipment needs."

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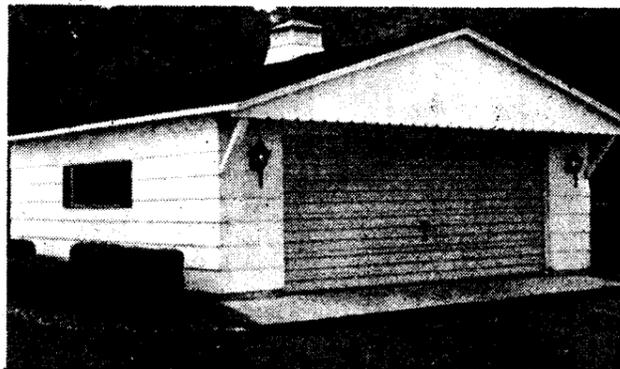


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More PX privileges for Guard, Reserve

WASHINGTON — Post exchange privileges for members of the Army National Guard and Army Reserve units will be changing late in April.

According to a recent change to AR60-20, "operating policies," Reserve component members will earn one day of post exchange privileges for each four-hour drill. In other words, members will receive four days of PX privileges for a two-day drill weekend. Dependents of National Guard and Reserve members may use the PX, but they must be accompanied by their sponsor.

Before, a two-day drill weekend only entitled a national guard or reserve unit member to two days of PX privileges.

Unit members must present their red Reserve component I.D. cards and their leave and earnings statements when using the PX. Only Reserve component unit members may use the PX privileges. Individual Ready Reserve members are not eligible. (AR-NEWS).

26 graduates get master's degrees

Florida Institute of Technology at Redstone conferred master's degrees on 26 graduates during a commencement exercise at the arsenal.

Dr. Leonard M. Winter, resident director of FIT's graduate center here, presented diplomas last week at the luncheon graduation ceremony in the Officer's Open Mess.

Brig. Gen. Jack A. Apperson, MICOM's Deputy Commander for Readiness, delivered the commencement address and assisted in the ceremony.

Winter said most of the graduates are employed by the Missile Command but also include the Missile and Munitions Center and School, Patriot Project Office, Redstone Readiness Group, Marshall Space Flight Center, Huntsville Division, Corps of Engineers, and a few from local industries.

A retired colonel and former director of MICOM's Procurement and Production Directorate, Winter said it normally takes about two years for candidates seeking a master's degree, attending classes two nights a week, three hours a night.

The FIT center has just concluded its fourth year at Redstone Arsenal and has conferred a total now of 91 master's degrees.

Receiving degrees were:

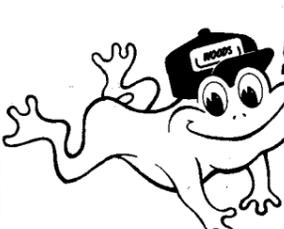
Earl Aldrup, Jr., Alvin Jupiter, Joseph Monko, Jr., and Gregory Segraves, master of business administration.

Thomas DeLuca, James Fairall, Jr., Michael Haynes, Robert Leiendecker, Ned McCracken, David Megahan, Charles Montgomery, Gary Tilbury, Nelson Torres, Jack Wolfe Jr., MBA with concentration in logistics management.

David Dickson, Thomas Smalls, Edward Witczak, MBA with concentration in contract management.

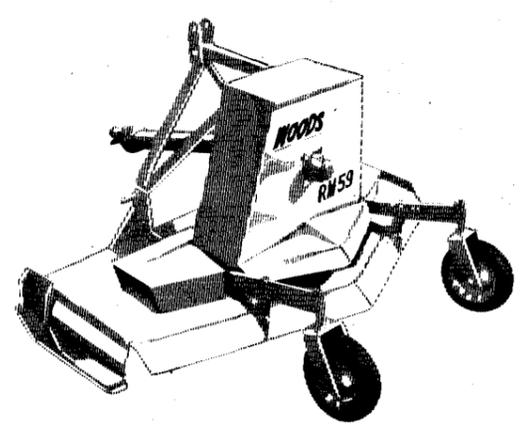
William Anderson, Howard Lamm, Robert Masucci, master of science in systems management.

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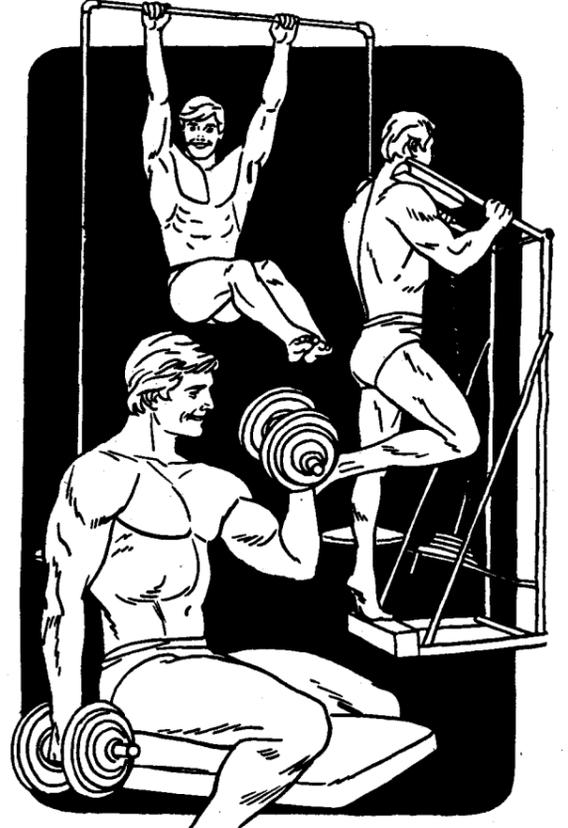
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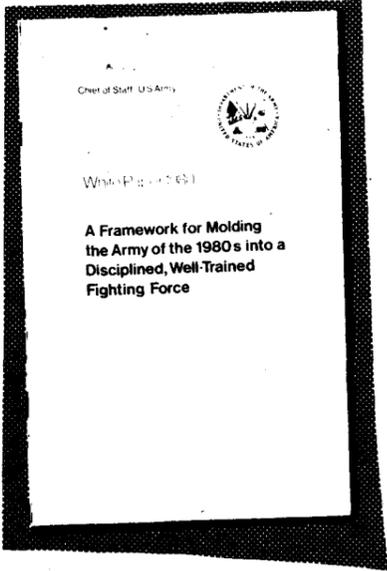
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The Rocket's serialization of the Chief of Staff's white paper, called "my vision of the Army of the 80s" by its author Gen. E. C. Meyer, concludes with this installment.

TRAINING THE FORCE

Training in the 80s continues to be the priority effort of commanders. Their focus must be the total preparation of each Army unit to go to war — and win.

Constraints on people, dollars, and time have led us to a training strategy which will optimize force readiness through careful coordination among the components of the Army training system: individual training, unit training, and training support. Fully trained individuals and fully trained units are a corporate responsibility.

Individual Training. The first task of individual training is to properly match the new soldier to a targeted skill needed by the force. To do this well — fulfilling the needs of both the individual and the Service — requires that we refine and standardize our understanding of and measure of such things as trainability, motivation, and aptitude, as well as the optimal method for conduct of training.

The object of the individual training phase is to graduate motivated, disciplined, and physically capable soldiers who are equipped with those specific skills they need to survive in combat. Additionally, it must be a tough and challenging experience by which each new soldier gains an appreciation that unit success comes only from individual commitment to a team effort. Both the individual training effort and team-building demand a strong cadre of qualified trainers. These are the Army's non-commissioned officers. To ensure their effectiveness, we must provide comprehensive training and education equal to the complex nature of the Army of the 1980s. NCO development programs pointed to molding effective leaders and trainers have top priority, not only in formal courses, but in unit schooling under the tutelage of officers and experienced NCOs.

Throughout, we must make better use of the wealth of training materials available. Realistic training at much reduced cost is of obvious benefit to the entire Army.

And we must act to minimize diversions from training. Time is a nonrecuperable asset we cannot afford to waste.

Finally, we must devise more effective mechanisms to regularly advise the training base about the quality of performance of its graduates. In turn, the Training and Doctrine Command must

find means to rapidly adjust training programs in response to such input from the field. The potential to refine the qualification tests now available within units must be fully explored for these purposes.

Unit Training. Because of resource constraints, the training base will not be able to train soldiers in all required tasks. Consequently, individual training will consume more of the unit commander's time. His challenge is to integrate this into unit training to mutual benefit. Concurrent and reinforcement training is much preferable to any "back to basics" approach. With time of the essence, commanders must determine their priorities and lay out training programs at least 90 days in advance at the brigade level. Once the commitment of time is made to companies (and it should be no less than 30 days in advance), each level of command must act to protect that commitment so that our junior officers, their NCOs, and the individual soldier understand the task at hand. The soldier needs to know that his time is valuable and so regarded by his leaders. Commanders at each level, having done their best to forecast demands, must act as "heatshields" to ensure adherence to such projections.

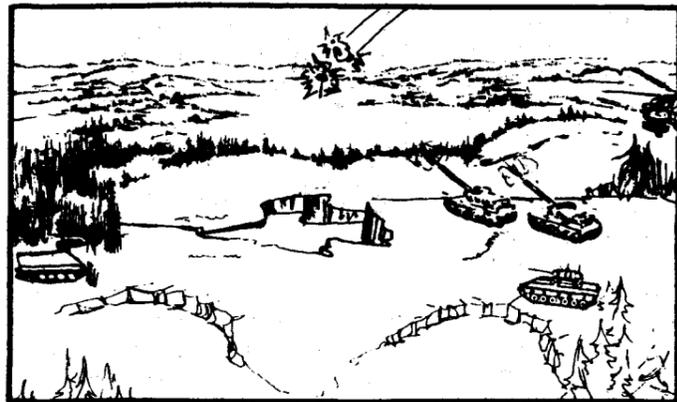
The cohesion that matters on the battlefield is that which is developed at the company, platoon, and squad levels. We cannot afford to place the burden of adjusting to "brush fires" on those fragile organizations. They must be protected by higher echelons fulfilling their coordinating roles so that changes to training schedules become the exception, not the rule.

The standards contained in the unit evaluation programs will remain the principal guidelines for the unit proficiency so vital to success in combat.

Techniques to allocate, use, and account for all available training resources obviously need work. The Battalion Training Management System provides an effective vehicle to train officers and NCOs in the planning, conduct, and evaluation of training. The Training Management Control System also assists in getting the most out of available resources. Its full implementation will assist units in scheduling training and in identifying costs associated with training events.

Units' training objectives must emphasize the capability to deploy rapidly in support of contingency plans and the ability to fight as cohesive combined arms teams. Simulations and wargaming provide alternative means to train commanders and staffs while NCOs take soldiers through multi-echelon training.

What is true for the Active Army is equally true for the Reserve Components. To meet their unique situation they need clear linkage to their wartime missions, planning, and command relationships for those missions, and hands-on skill training with that equipment which they will be assigned upon mobilization. Such a linkage recently has been developed.



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Worldwide, ranges and training areas will be managed under the Army Master Range Plan, a plan which will match the training demands of new equipment and force structure with well-designed ranges and training areas.

Ammunition is expensive. The desirability of minimizing the diversion of dollar resources to ammunition consumption for training purposes challenges us to use substitute training devices for development of weapons proficiency wherever possible. Training ammunition will be managed to obtain the maximum training value from each round expended.

Over the decade the Army will invest several billion dollars in research, development, and procurement of training devices. These devices, which are intended to reduce fuel usage, cut training costs, and improve training effectiveness, must be integrated aggressively into training programs lest they become themselves wasteful expenditures.

To maintain readiness during receipt of new equipment, innovations in training transition strategies are required. Intensive training in newly equipped units is essential if we are to benefit fully from the capabilities of new systems. In any epoch, the difference between a rabble and an effective professional Army is training. No task is more important than training as we face this decade.

MOBILIZING THE FORCE

The current and projected growth and readiness improvements of potential adversaries have narrowed the gap between warning and attack times. This places enormous requirements on the Army's capacity to mobilize rapidly, deploy, and sustain the land battle. The active force is dependent on a responsive Reserve Component which is dependent on a ready mobilization base; additionally, we must have adequate national preparedness capability to sustain the Services.

In the post-Vietnam period, mobilization exercises have greatly expanded current mobilization experience on a Defense Department-wide basis. The results of these exercises candidly revealed significant deficiencies that are now being addressed by remedial planning and programing actions and span the entire spectrum of mobilization requirements for the Army.

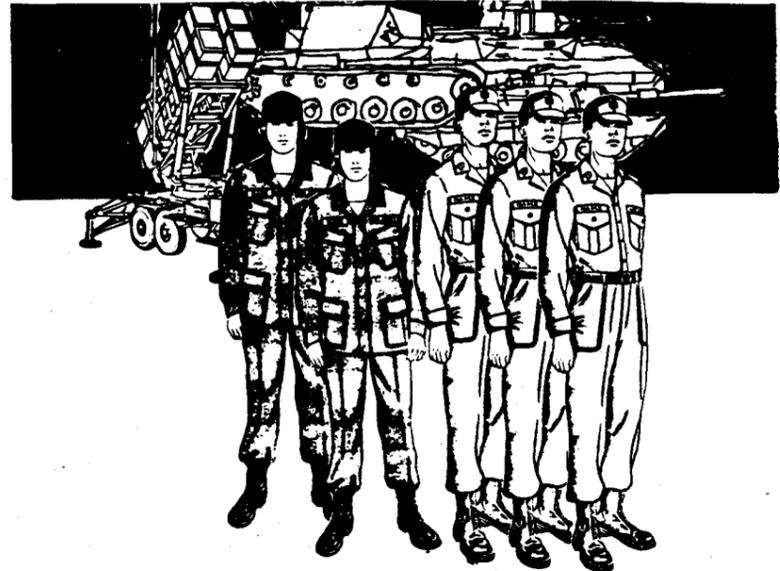
The Army's mobilization objective is to assure the Army is postured *in peacetime* to mobilize its forces in wartime in accordance with established and exercised plans to include expansion of the training and support base. The Army will continue to work on assuring this objective can be met. The Army strategy for mobilization includes: providing the capability to plan flexibly and implement rapidly partial or full mobilization by maximizing force responsiveness in the early periods, emphasizing execution through effective command and control, and using existing facilities to limit peacetime costs.

Near term programs to implement the strategy include increasing the equipment fill and readiness of early deploying Active Component and Reserve Component units, conducting mobilization training, preparing for mobilization manpower replacements and training requirements, and limited preparation of the mobilization stations' capability. Long term efforts seek to integrate the planning and allocation systems and to provide a comprehensive framework for improved mobilization capability.

Despite these actions, it is likely that resources committed to this aspect of deterrence will need to be increased. The Army is continuing to refine estimates of its mobilization capability under emergency conditions and is evaluating the price tag for corrective actions.

Lack of adequate pretrained manpower is a continuing problem which needs attention if the Total Force is to be properly balanced. This issue is directly related to the President's decision to register as a step toward improving our mobilization capability.

Automation and communication equipment to link existing mobilization systems and facilities needs modernization and expansion. Some of these modernization projects are in current programs, but other critical needs remain to be supported.



A program designed to align Reserve Component units in peacetime with their wartime chain of command is being introduced and should improve the mission orientation, readiness, and transition of all Reserve Component units.

Medical support requirements in mobilization exceed the CONUS-based medical capacity of the Army. Shortfalls exist in pretrained personnel and facilities. Even using temporary facilities, a significant percent of the patient bed load will be obtained from non-Army sources under current casualty projections. This area requires continued review and effort to ensure adequate medical support for our soldiers.

The early demand for trained personnel will cause demands for training base expansion. The Army must be prepared to train sufficient personnel to meet the manpower requirements of the forces as they are committed on the battlefield. Planning initiatives and program proposals are being developed to increase early trainee input and compress training time.

To provide a mobilization surge capacity, a "warm" industrial base is needed to include not only the government owned base, but the much larger privately owned industrial base as well. Planning agreements must be obtained and other variations of production preparedness must be investigated for the Army's most critical needs. The transportation system, including reception and out-loading capacities at depots, arsenals, ports, and airheads, requires an indepth appraisal. Use of nondeploying Reserve Component units to satisfy wholesale base manpower requirements also requires consideration. Finally, construction requirements at Army installations must be identified for contracts by the Army Corps of Engineers.

While many mobilization requirements are long range issues, there are many tasks which will upgrade the immediate capacity to go to war despite current mobilization shortfalls. These include: resolution of the distribution plans for equipment left by units falling in on prepositioned sets; refinement of expansion requirements for civilian and military personnel at mobilization stations; determination of drawdown policies for emergency fill of early deploying units; provisions for continuity of garrison command at mobilization stations; resolution of personnel allocation and cross leveling authority; and advance provisioning for individual clothing and equipment, unit replacement parts, and required packing and movement materials.

Once mobilized, forces in combat must be sustained. Doctrine indicates reliance upon prepositioned war reserve stocks until normal resupply is established. Prepositioning levels must be raised if we are to support our forward deployed units. Stocks in US Army Materiel Development and Readiness Command (DARCOM) depots must be adequate to meet the demands. Filling any war reserve shortfalls will compete for the limited lift required to rapidly deploy forces. Some improvement in prepositioning levels will occur during the next few years, but other program trade-offs may be required if critical items needed in the early days are to be stocked adequately.

Mobilization potential and sustainability are critical elements of strategic deterrence. Shortcomings in either act to undermine the credibility of our forward deployed forces and compromise the utility of CONUS-based reinforcements.

SUMMARY

The decade of the 80s, beginning as it does with evident hazard to critical national interests, looks to be a time of challenge, a time of continuing potential crisis. Such situations pose great dangers. For the nation prepared, they also provide great opportunities. The US Army — by its preparations toward a real and visible military capability — seeks to see the nation and its values sustained through the critical decade of the 80s.

600 Army M1 rifles are for sale

WASHINGTON — A lottery sale of 600 Army M1 rifles will be held April 30, according to the Civilian Marksmanship Office.

Interested buyers must mail their requests to the Director of Civilian Marksmanship (DCM) if they wish to be considered. Applications will be filed by state and the rifles will be distributed proportionally among the states.

Formerly, prospective buyers had to be National Rifle Association members if they wanted to buy an M1 rifle. This year, however, the NRA membership requirement was dropped.

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Buyers should mail their requests and include photocopies of proof of age, club or state association membership cards, and classification or temporary score record to: Director of Civilian Marksmanship, Room 1E053, West Forrestal Bldg., Washington, D.C. 20314.

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Moves

(From front page)

Some Redstone landmarks are due to come down. Bldg. 7101, the original arsenal headquarters, is scheduled to go to save annual maintenance costs of \$750,000. Another World War II frame structure in that area, Bldg. 7110, former site of occupational health offices, is also due to be demolished. Tin City, the quonset hut area of temporary barracks east of Patton Rd., will come down. So will several small WWII structures west of Patton that are on land needed for the new barracks complex.



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Suggestions help fight inflation

Local Army workers are helping to fight inflation by submitting cost saving suggestions, according to Jimmy T. Temple, executive secretary of the Incentive Awards Committee.

In the first and second quarters of 1980, said Temple, local Army workers' suggestions have produced an estimated first year savings of \$9,336,309 along with other intangible benefits. There were 653 suggestions submitted and 130 adopted.

Awards of over \$1,000 were received by W. B. Allen, Ottis M. Bates, H. M. Bartlett Jr., Margaret A. Burns, Lawrence A. Howard, Larry E. Hunt, Robert McNeill, James A. Traglia and Thomas E. Wilson. All but one of these suggestions resulted in an estimated first year savings to the government of more than \$100,000, Temple said, as did suggestions of Charles E. Lovejoy, Jack K. Rodgers and Robert H. White.

"Join the inflation fighters, submit your ideas on a DA form 1045," Temple urged. The address is DRSMI-JMI.

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The MICOM Junior and Senior Executive Awards have been presented to Gerald G. Tucker and Clifford S. Gray, respectively, by Maj. Gen. Louis Rachmeler, Commanding General.

Tucker won his award primarily through chairmanship of a study of management of consumable items throughout the Army supply system. He also assisted DARCOM teams in establishing a position in the matter. Also, throughout the year he has assisted in several other command studies involving management of missile systems and supply processes. Tucker works in the Analysis Procedure Branch, Policies, Plans & Programs Division, Materiel Management Directorate.

Gray won his award through his managerial and technical work resulting in successful development, deployment and subsequent improvement of major elements of Lance weapon system. He was instrumental in improving the aiming equipment thereby reducing the system reaction time by 50 percent. Gray is a general engineer with the Lance Project Office.

Overseas extension rules change

WASHINGTON — Starting May 1, enlisted soldiers in all long-tour overseas areas except Europe must apply for extensions ten months ahead of their DEROS, according to DA.

DA recently approved several changes to the overseas extension policy to give MILPERCEN more time to fill vacancies in stateside and overseas units, officials explained.

Currently, four months advance notice is required for E-5s through E-9s stationed in Europe. They will have to give six months advance notice of their extension plans starting May 1.

There has been no change to the required four months advance notice for E-1s through

E-4s, however, officials said. Now, through June 30, E-1s through E-4s can get 'gangplank' extensions up until their DEROS as an exception to policy.

Soldiers stationed in Japan and Panama now have to give four months notice for extensions. This has been changed to ten months before DEROS. Alaska and Hawaii also require ten months advance notice.

Soldiers in all short-tour areas except Korea will have to request extensions six months before DEROS. Four months advance notice is required for soldiers in Korea.

Details of the new policy are outlined in a change to AR 614-30 now on its way to the field, officials said. (ARNEWS).

Overseas extension barred in 4 areas

WASHINGTON — Most NCOs stationed in Alaska, Hawaii, Panama and Japan, to include Okinawa, are no longer allowed to extend their tours.

E-5s through E-9s can no longer apply for voluntary extensions in these overseas areas where the senior NCO strength is higher than the worldwide average of 96.1 percent, say DA officials. The top five grade NCO strength in Alaska, Hawaii, Panama and Japan is now 117.1 percent of authorization.

The new policy is expected to reduce the

critical shortage of NCOs stateside which, officials report, is only 83.4 percent of authorization in Forces Command units.

Some soldiers in these four overseas areas may still be able to extend, however. Those applying must list one of the following reasons:

Compassionate, for such things as death in the immediate family, terminal illness and prolonged hospitalization.

Operational where the PMOS is particularly short in the soldier's command.

Retirement, for those soldiers desiring to retire after completing the overseas tour, but who need the extension to become eligible.

Applications for compassionate and operational extensions must be sent to Milpercen for approval. The overseas commander can approve extensions for retirement.

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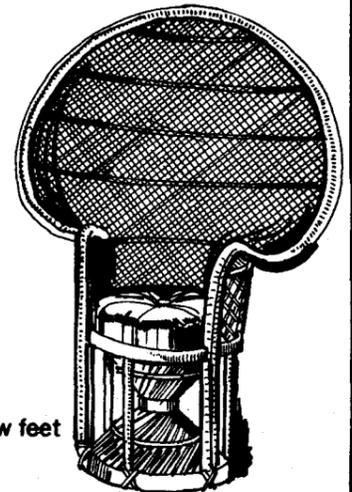
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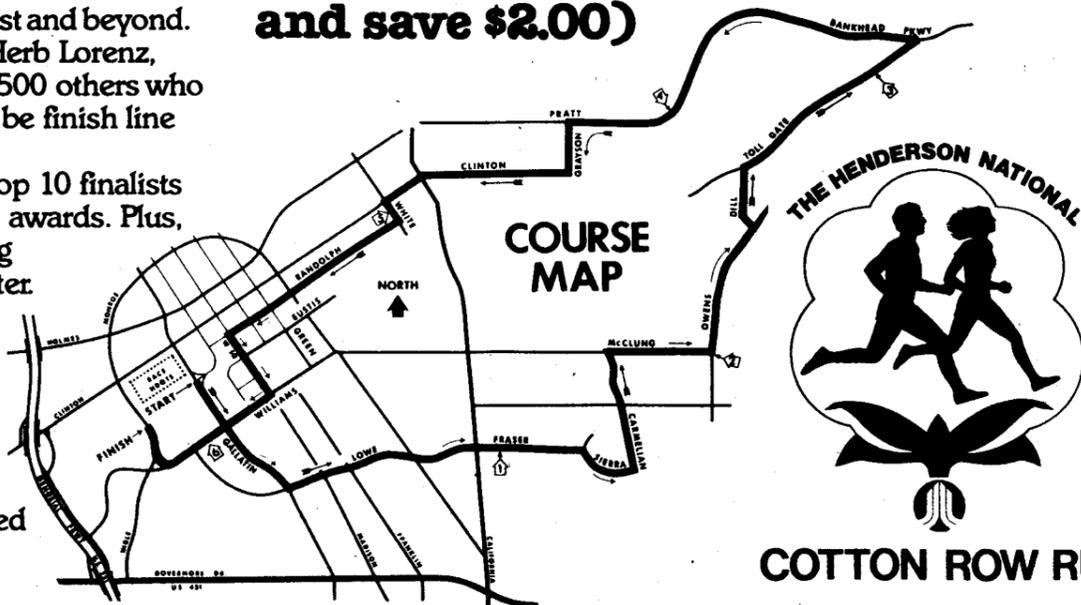
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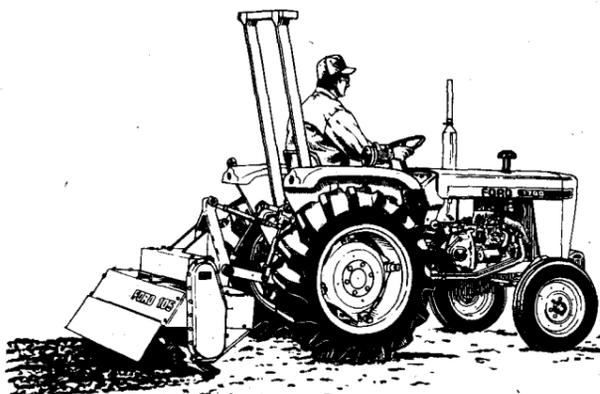
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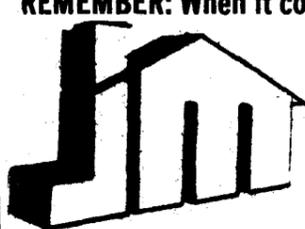
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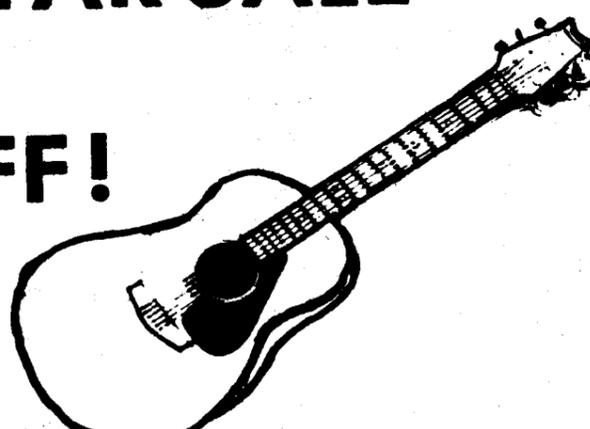

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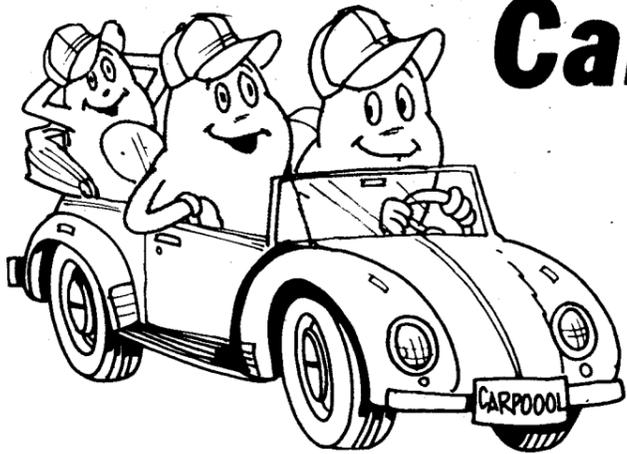
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Announcements

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IEEE joint meeting

A joint meeting of the IEEE Huntsville Section and the IEEE Controls Systems Society will be held at the Officers Club on Friday, April 25. The speaker, Dr. William C. Kelly of the Missile Laboratory, will talk on "Air Defense Missile Guidance with Disturbance-Utilizing Control". A social is a 11 a.m. with lunch at 11:30. Reservations are required, call Gary Wylie, 837-9629, or Mary Campbell, 876-3120.

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Aviation group seeks members

The Tennessee Valley Chapter of the Army Aviation Association of America is actively seeking new members. AAAA was founded in 1957 to further the cause of Army aviation, to foster cooperation among military and civilian persons now or formerly affiliated with Army aviation, and to advance those policies of other groups that are of benefit to AAAA. You are invited to join the Tennessee Valley Chapter if you are interested in Army aviation. The chapter holds quarterly meetings with interesting speakers. A recent speaker was the Cobra AH-1S Attack Helicopter Program Manager. For a membership form or more information call Maj. George Sibble, 876-1016.

Speech contest winner

Lynda Locke of TOW-Dragon has won the Toastmaster's Area 2 humorous speech contest and will compete in Montgomery on May 16 in the District 48 humorous speech contest. She is a member of the Tennessee Valley club of Toastmaster's, an international organization for improving communications and leadership skills.

T-ball sign up continues

T-ball registration for boys and girls is continuing. T-Ball is similar to baseball except that the ball is not pitched. Boys and girls born after July 31, 1971 and before May 1, 1973 may be registered by parents at Bldg. 114, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Proof of age is required if not previously presented. For further information, phone 876-5437.

Reserve officers convention

"Today's Junior Officers" is the theme of the Alabama Reserve Officers Association convention being held in Huntsville May 2-4. The convention will have business and service section meetings, luncheon, President's Reception, and a banquet, and various speakers will talk on the role of junior officers in the ROA and in society, and give an update of the Total Forces Bill, HR6076. Col. Don Stotser, chief of Redstone Readiness Group, will address the Army section on "Trends in Career Development and Opportunities for Reserve Component Junior Officers". Congressman Bill Nichols will be banquet speaker. For reservation forms or more information call Lt. Col. Howard C. Race, 876-4406.

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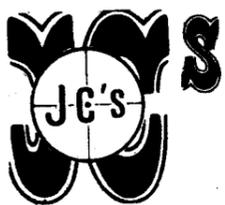
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