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Use restraint in political activities

With the 1980 elections looming ahead, it's a sure bet that political buttons and bumper stickers will be popping up everywhere.

That's OK—to some extent. But there are some restrictions on political activity that Redstone workers should keep in mind in the months ahead. Different restrictions apply to on-post and off-post political activity, and to military and civilian workers.

What federal workers can and cannot do politically is spelled out in the Hatch Act. It prohibits active, partisan campaigning. However, federal workers do have the right to vote as they please and the right to express their individual opinion on all political subjects and candidates.

Translating that to buttons and stickers means federal workers have the right to display a political picture, sticker, badge or button. However, they cannot endorse or oppose a candidate in a political advertisement, a broadcast, campaign, literature or similar material.

Members of the armed forces can't wear political badges or buttons on their uniforms. They can display a small sticker on their vehicle, but they cannot display a large political sign, banner or poster on the top or side of their vehicle.

If you have questions about campaign activity, contact Dayn Beam, attorney advisor, at 876-8178.

PCB finding: 'Nobody's sick'

TRIANA—Federal officials told residents of this small community near Redstone Arsenal June 14 that tests for the chemical, polychlorinated biphenyl found levels in Triana about the same as they would expect to find in any community downstream from a major industrial area in the U.S.

The federal Center for Disease Control First found PCBs in the blood of some Triana residents and local commercial fishermen while testing for the insecticide DDT. Residents have high blood levels of DDT, the apparent result of eating contaminated fish from Indian Creek. DDT wastes from a manufacturing plant on the arsenal operated

by the Olin Company until 1970 contaminated the creek and fish.

Discovery of PCBs caused concern and triggered a widespread hunt on the arsenal and in Huntsville for possible PCB sources by the Environmental Protection Agency aided by NASA and the Army.

Widely used for almost 50 years in electrical transformers, hydraulic oils and many other commercial applications, PCBs can now be found at some levels almost anywhere in the world. Their use in new products was banned in 1977. The chemical may cause cancer in humans.

Dr. Kathleen Kreiss of CDC said tests of
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Big day planned for picnic

The MICOM picnic is this Saturday. Bring the kids, a picnic basket, lawn chairs — whatever you need to picnic with — and come to the civilian recreation area from 10 a.m. till

4 p.m. To reach the picnic, head south on Patton Rd. and follow the signs to the civilian recreation area. Activities scheduled for the picnic are:

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Volleyball Tournament	10:30-4:00	
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Odyssey	10:00-10:45	Entertainment Stage
Karate Demonstration	11:00-11:45	Entertainment Stage
Welcoming Remarks	11:45-12:00	MG Rachmeler
Lunch	12:00	
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Presentation of Trophys	4:00	MG Rachmeler
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Bad taste

Water from well at Test Area 6 smells too

By ED PETERS

"Somebody gimme a toothpick — I just had a drink of water."

"Did you flush the toilet first to make it taste better?"

That's the kind of banter you hear in the blockhouse at Test Area 6.

Harold Yeager invites a visitor to take a drink from the water fountain. "I hope you've got good life insurance," he says.

Yeager jests — no one's ever died from drinking the water. But it's made some sick. "I drank it when I first came to work here and it upset my stomach, gave me diarrhea," said Yeager. "I don't know if it's the water that caused it though. It may just be something in my head from the taste and smell."

Apparently it's not. Across Martin Road, Bldg. 6211 gets water from the same well.

John J. Rega went to work in the building on April 7. He got a drink from the water fountain to swallow pills he has to take. Later that day he got sick. "It tore my bowels up," said Rega.

O.K. Wylie, who works with Rega, said, "I refuse to drink the stuff." He said he's also stopped drinking coffee since he came to work in the building in January.

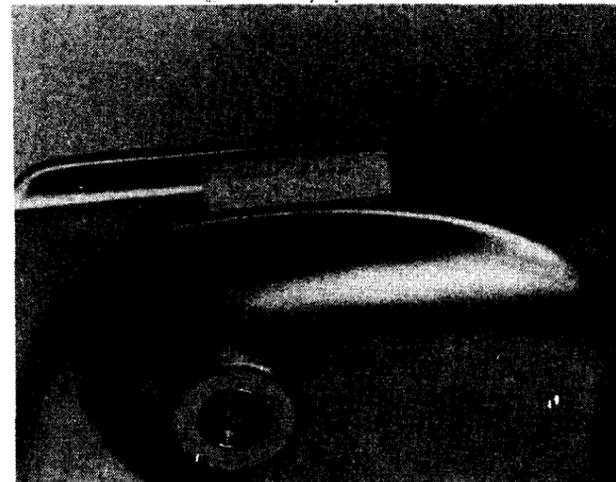
He said their workload requires them to put in many hours of overtime. "I'm getting fat on cokes," he said.

Wylie opens a faucet and lets water run into a wash basin. The liquid that comes out is yellow. "When it rains it gets black," he said.

Once the flush mechanism on the urinal stuck and a repairman found the valve clogged with grass and stems, he said.

He removes DF from a filing cabinet, and

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Do not drink

Sign on drinking fountain in Bldg 6211.

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Letters

Stepped on toes

Editor:

I'm sure Ms. Caplin meant her letter as a suggestion not as a mandate (There I go). I took a government sponsored budget course several years ago and was informed at that time that henceforth all hours required for work would be known as staff hours. So far this has not been implemented in federal budgets. Perhaps man likes the word "man" more than he admits. Also I have always heard the term homo-sapiens in reference to our origins. Perhaps the males whose toes were obviously damaged when they thought they were being stepped on should re-examine their reasons for being so incensed.

Name withheld
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WOPERSON?

Editor:

Re: Letters, June 4 issue

Should woman become WOPERSON?

According to Weekley, "woman" has its origins in the Anglo-Saxon word "wifmann" (wife man). It would appear "wife" and "woman" have switched meanings over the years.

Caution is advised since words like "management" have their origins in the Italian word "mano" (hand).

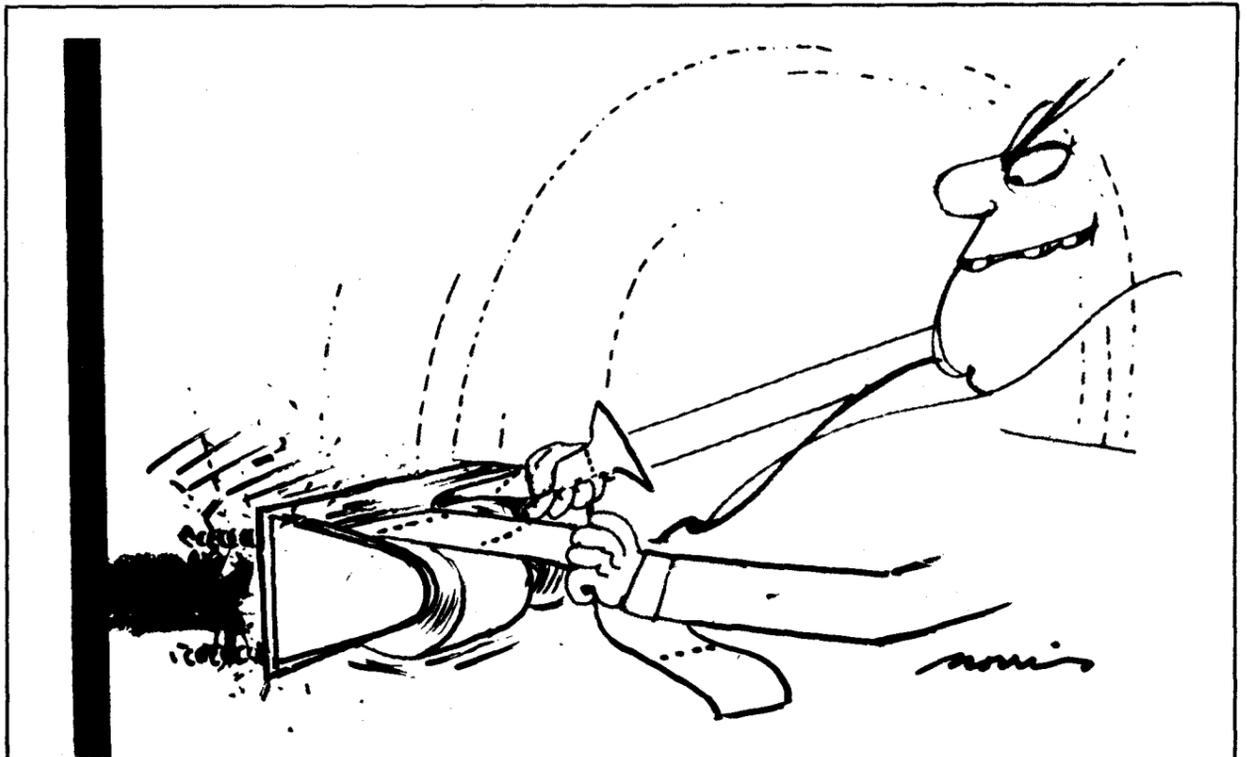
Dick Dickson
Systems Simulation and
Development Directorate

Reasonable request

Editor:

In reply to Ms. Kay Caplin's reasonable request to change manhours and manyears to personhours and personyears, I'll agree if she will petition to change hysterectomy to her-directomy. Would Ms. Caplin also propose that you get either a hernia or a hisnia?

Ray King
DRSMI-NLIA
Maint Engineering Directorate



This shouldn't be a two handed job . . .

Editor:

Enough of this nonsense about man versus woman or whether to call it his or her. It's time we got down to serious business of building missiles or investigating the contractor who sold the Army all those toilet tissue rollers, double ones at that, and the

paper won't roll. Could we get our money back and maybe put the old ones back up? There are lots of two handed jobs but unrolling toilet tissue shouldn't be one of them.

Name withheld
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Delightful example

Editor:

Ms. Caplin's "personhours" letter was a delightful example of deadpan humor. On the face of it, the letter appears serious, but the careful reader soon discerns subtle hints of satire: the examples of suggested terms are marvelously ludicrous and the admonition that they "may seem awkward . . . at first" is hilariously understated. The classic touch, though, was the meticulous use of buzz words long passe. Consciousness raising indeed! How long has it been since you've heard that one? Well done, Ms C! In fact, ATTA..oops.

H. D. Lockhart
Security Directorate

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An MP inspects the damage in McWhorter's yard.

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"I guess it could have been a lot worse," said SFC Horace McWhorter as he surveyed his vandalized yard last Thursday morning.

When McWhorter, his wife Carol and children woke up that morning, they found that during the night the small red wood fences they'd placed around the yard had been pulled up and thrown around. Some were broken. Flowers planted in both the front and back yard were yanked up. Some were dead, but the McWhorters hoped they could salvage some of the flowers they had raised from seed.

The sign showing that their yard had been chosen as the May multiple quarters Enlisted Yard-of-the-Month was pulled up and tossed upside down into a tree.

The vandalism at the McWhorter residence at 1356D Tow Circle was one of several incidences of vandalism discovered that morning. Flowers and plants were destroyed at one other family housing residence, and bicycle tires were slashed at five residences, according to the military police blotter.

"We put a lot of effort and time into our yard.

Now that's all shot down the drain. When we moved in last September, the front yard was a big mudhole, and the back wasn't in the best shape either," McWhorter said.

"We weren't trying for yard-of-the-month or anything. We just wanted a nice-looking yard. But there's no incentive for me to fix it up again. Why should I? The same thing could just happen again."

The McWhorters suspect that the yard-of-the-month sign that's been up since June 10 attracted the vandal's attention, since none of the nearby yards were damaged.

"We asked them to come and take it away — and they did," Carol said. "It sure is a shame it happened."

With the vandalism coming on the heels of school letting out for summer, parents living in the family housing area should be aware of their children's whereabouts at night.

"After 10, kids shouldn't be out on the streets," said Col. Harvey Day Micom Chief of Staff. "We are determined to take harsh measures against any such offenders."

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Alligator search doesn't reach Redstone

Alligator hunters from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service have called off their search for the time being without trying to locate any of the 13 alligators that were put in Swan Pond on the arsenal last June . . .

The hunters combed other areas where alligators were released for four nights last week, but were able to capture only two alligators.

The Fish and Wildlife Service is trying to round up over 50 alligators that were released a year ago on Wheeler National Wildlife Refuge. They were put there in an experiment to expand the range of a threatened species and at the same time to introduce a natural predator for problem beaver populations in the area.

But Congressman Ronnie Flippo, contending that it was a bad move, demanded that the alligators be removed and returned to their native home in Louisiana.

Wheeler Refuge Manager Tom Atkeson said another attempt to catch alligators will be made during the next dark-of-the-moon period. It falls July 10-14.

He said periods of no moonlight are necessary so the alligators won't see the hunters.

Atkeson said he didn't know if they would try in July to find the alligators in Swan Pond, which is on the arsenal's west boundary within the wildlife refuge. When alligators several feet long were put in some places, the smallest ones were saved for Swan Pond as they had to be carried overland for some distance. Since they were small, they may not have survived the winter, Atkeson said.

He said searching the pond, for alligators would pose some difficulty since it is filled with trees and stumps and may be impassable

by boat. Barren Fork Creek near the pond was searched for alligators but none were found.

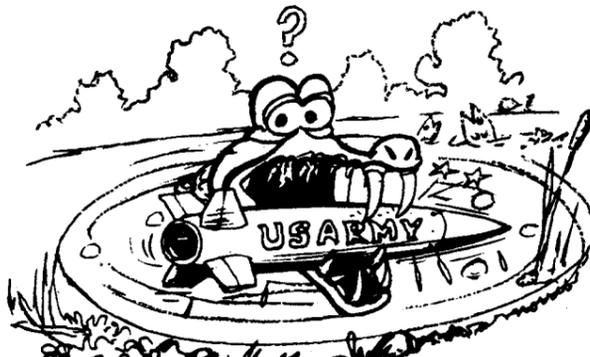
The two caught last week were taken from the Beaver Dam Creek and White Springs areas of the wildlife refuge in Limestone County. Madison County areas searched included Blackwell Swamp and Barren Fork Creek.

Atkeson said that during the hunt "we saw more than we thought we'd see." But, he added, the alligators seemed to have "gotten the message" that they were being hunted and seemed uncustomarily skittish.

He said usually they freeze when a bright light is beamed at their eyes, but during the hunt they went underwater when hit with the light.

"We don't know why" the alligators behaved as they did, said Atkeson. He said possibly they remember being spotlighted in Louisiana last year . . .

The two alligators caught last week were about four feet long. They were snared by their snouts using a noose on a pole. They were shipped to a new home in Lacassine National Wildlife Refuge near Creole, La.



PCB finding

(From front page)

blood taken last year from 458 Triana residents and fishermen averaged 17.2 parts per billion PCB. The highest level found was 157 ppb. "Few studies have been made of PCB levels in the general population," Kreiss said, "but we think most persons have PCB levels below 30 or 40 ppb."

PCBs accumulate in the human body in the same way that DDT does, she said. The main source of PCB exposure is eating contaminated fish.

In contrast to Triana, she said, CDC has found much higher PCB levels, up to twice as much, in sport fishermen who regularly ate contaminated fish caught in Lake Michigan.

CDC, "found no evidence of illness caused PCB in Triana," she said. When asked to summarize her findings in a sentence by a reporter, she replied "Nobody's sick."

Kreiss said she had found high levels of PCB by are directly related to high blood pressure, but specifically added that she is not saying PCBs cause high blood pressure. She told the Triana residents, many of whom have abnormally high blood pressure, that their condition is treatable.

Kreiss said that a long term federal study of 2,500 PCB plant workers with blood levels in the range of 4 to 600 PPB "found no increase in any specific cause of death related to PCBs." A similar study of DDT plant workers found no increase in death rate in comparison with the U.S. population," she said.

Triana people are concerned that the unique combination of high DDT levels and PCB levels in their bodies may cause long term health problems.

Reporting for EPA, Howard Zeller told the

residents that EPA is "concerned" about widespread low level PCB contamination turned up in recent tests Huntsville, on the arsenal and at the Marshall Space Flight Center. Those findings, Zeller said, were "about what we would expect to find in any industrial community in the country . . . They are not high . . . not of concern level."

"Any PCBs are too much," Zeller added. The Army, Marshall and the city of Huntsville will be directed by EPA to continue their search for low level contamination sources and correct them. He said EPA will monitor the area periodically for PCB contamination to "make sure that things stay in as relatively good shape as they are now."

Specifically, Zeller said:

- All water sources and wells in the area are free of PCBs.

- Catfish tested throughout Wheeler Reservoir have relatively low levels of PCB — much less than EPA has found elsewhere — and that even the most heavily contaminated fish were — on the average — below the five parts per million standard set by federal authorities for fish sold in interstate commerce.

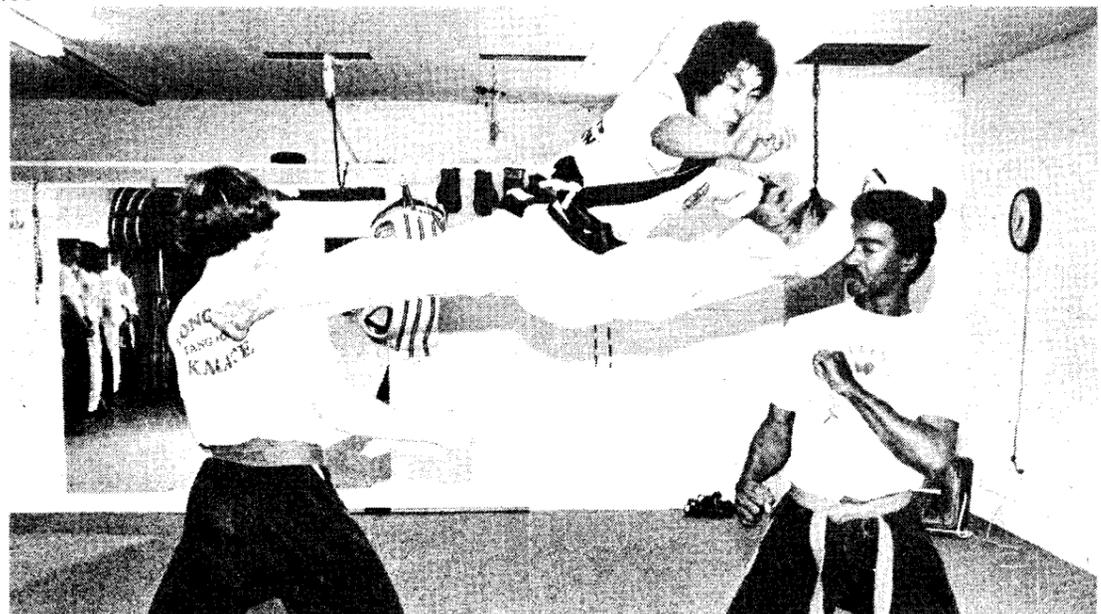
- The levels of PCB found in fish in Indian Creek do not indicate a recent spill of PCB or long term discharges of significant amounts of the chemical into area waters.

- EPA tests and those of the Army and NASA did not indicate a major point source of contamination in the area.



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Well water

(From front page)

points out where an "urgent" request was made in March to have something done about the water.

"It's damned ridiculous — I don't think people should have to put up with something like this," Wylie said.

"This has been going on for 10 years," according to Yeager. "Last year they put in a conditioner. The water looks better now, but it still tastes bad," he said.

Yeager said he complained a lot about the water at first in between trips to the toilet, but finally started bringing in water from home and his stomach problems cleared up.

Since the conditioner was installed, said Yeager, the water has gone from smelling like "swamp water" to an odor resembling "rotten eggs". He believes the odor is imparted by a bad smelling chemical in the conditioner.

"The water stinks," said Danny Reeves. Another blockhouse worker, Michael White, says he never drinks water during the day. "I wait till I get home, I usually have five or six glasses of liquid before I go to bed," he said.

One contractor group which comes to TA6 brings its own water supply, according to Yeager.

Yeager expressed concern that others who may not know about the water might drink it and get sick. "They check it just about every week and a lot of the time they find there's no chlorine in it."

He said the well is equipped with a chlorinator which doesn't work right. "How do we know if it's chlorinated and safe to drink? They checked today and there was no chlorine. They said it was because there is so much iron in the water that all the chlorine is oxidized. They say the iron gets in there from the pipes.

"I've tried to get them to run us a pipe from a water main in the NASA area but they won't. I've measured it and it wouldn't have to run but eight-tenths of a mile. It seems to me that it wouldn't cost much if they used plastic pipe and did it with in-house personnel."

"We've talked about going to the Alabama department of public health about this, but I think it's something the Army should take care of on its own," Yeager said.

Redstone utilities chief Ron Harmon said utilities branch is doing all it can to provide acceptable water to the buildings.

He explained that the water comes out of a limestone well through an iron pipe and has a high content of "inorganic contaminants and suspended solids" that account for the water's taste and odor.

It does not have bacterial contamination and is safe to drink, he said.

Harmon said that when chlorinated and run through the conditioner the water meets required standards for drinking water.

John Riley, who oversees Redstone's water system, said adjustments have been made to the conditioner and the chlorinator that should take care of the problems at the blockhouse.

"We're checking it nearly every day and we're getting quality water," Riley said.

Harmon said he has re-submitted a proposal that was disapproved earlier to either install a

conditioner in Bldg. 6211 to bring their water up to standards, or to eliminate the well water and pipe water from the arsenal system into the area.



Bottled water

Harold Yeager and Danny Reeves make a pot of coffee using bottled water they brought from home. They say the water where they work tastes and smells bad.

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Blue collar pay raise

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Redstone officials were advised by the Department of Defense to begin paying federal wage grade workers, often called blue collar workers, under a new pay scale.

The new wage grade became effective June 8.

Increases average approximately 26 cents an hour for non-supervisors and 51 cents for supervisors.

The new wage rates resulted from a survey in the local area some time ago to determine hourly wages paid in laboring, craft and trade occupations.

West Point cadets take summer jobs here

Five West Point cadets are working at Redstone Arsenal this summer to get an idea of the type of work they will be doing after graduation.

Cadets Bruce Anderson, Barry Bazemore, Charles Lane, Daniel Miklancic, and Dean Bowden are assigned to the Army Missile Laboratory.

Anderson is working in the guidance and control Directorate. He is assisting in development of automated aids used in the design of computer programs.

In the systems simulation directorate, Bazemore is developing a computer program to be used in simulating missile flight.

Lane and Miklancic will be helping the arsenal to increase its productivity by developing an electronic mail system at the ground equipment and missile structure directorate. This system will eliminate much of the high-priority handcarrying of mail and will shorten communication time between offices.

The technology and integration office is where Bowden will be helping to create new missile technology products and concepts.

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BY SKIP VAUGHN

Quoi Ngoc Tran calls the people responsible for bringing him to the United States his friends.

They are members of the Protestant congregation at Bicentennial Chapel on Redstone Arsenal. Without their sponsorship, Tran and his two small sons might still be waiting in Indonesia to immigrate to the United States.

Tran and his boys — Thang, 6, and Quan, 4 escaped from Vietnam, their homeland, in August 1979 on a small fishing boat. Tran's wife missed the boat and remains in South Vietnam. The boat made it to Indonesia, where the family remained until their sponsorship to the United States.

Sponsors 'very good'

"My sponsors — I think same thing (as) friend to me, because they very good," Tran said in English he has learned since his arrival in this country last February.

Tran answered questions in recent interview at Bicentennial Chapel while his sons played with a photographer's camera. The next day he was to go for a job interview.

He and his family have lived in a permanent-type trailer in Huntsville with their rent and expenses paid from money collected in offerings at Bicentennial Chapel.

That support is to be passed down as Tran obtains a job and assumes his family's expenses. Tran, 31, is trained in electronics. His sons have been enrolled in the Huntsville public school system for next fall.

Redstone Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Geoffrey D. Knott, who recently transferred to Korea, served as "project chaplain" for the effort to bring Tran's family here.

The outreach effort began November 1979 when Knott challenged the congregation to help someone outside its community. A 10 member steering committee was formed with



The Trans — 4-year-old Quan, father Quoi Ngoc and 6-year-old Thang.

its members acting as chairmen for various subcommittees such as housing, finance and education.

This is the first and only such Army program as far as the Chief of Army Chaplain's office knows, Knott said.

"I've never in any Army congregation seen people work with such gladness, and sense of purpose, or give of their time, talent and money more freely than in this effort," he said.

The congregation, with average attendance

of about 180 mostly married non-commissioned officers and officers, contributed \$5,000 in six months. Collections were made in special offering envelopes stamped "Christian Outreach Program."

In addition, household goods, clothing, bicycles, toys and furniture were contributed. A large room in the chapel was closed off to store these items, some of which remain.

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Tran said he likes Huntsville: "because it's quiet and people over here are very nice and there are many (things) I can enjoy."

He attended school in South Vietnam and fixed radios in a electric shop in Longbinh, located about 10 to 15 miles north of Saigon.

He entered the South Vietnamese army in 1968, served for seven years and was a young officer when South Vietnam fell in 1975. Soon after the communist takeover he was sent into the jungles for two and a half years on a so-called re-education program.

"Not re-education really," Tran related. "Same as prison, very miserable."

Tran and others were forced to cut large bamboo trees — three to a man — for building house, trail through the jungle, and bridge across the river.

Food was scarce. Tran recalls they ate rice, potatoe and dry fish and on a holiday were given "one sliver of pork meat."

Upon his release from the program the

native of Kien Giang in southwest Vietnam made the first of three unsuccessful escape attempts with his family.

The third time, he went to prison but escaped six months later. Prison life was "very, very miserable," Tran recalled. They worked eight hours a day then were put in leg irons at night.

Prison food

Prison food consisted of potatoes, rice on holidays, but no meat. His wife was only allowed to bring food once but "never saw me," Tran said.

Thirty-six men were imprisoned in a cement and stone room about 15-by-25 foot with wire mesh across the top, according to Tran. They dressed only in shorts and had a can for a toilet in the center of the room.

"One hole — small hole — for food to go in. Very hot," Tran recalled. "We sleep very, very closely in two lines."

Three months after his escape from prison,

Tran escaped from Vietnam with his two sons but his wife went to see her parents. The boat had to leave without her.

Tran said he sometimes misses his homeland because "there many relatives and my wife."

He has not been able to communicate with her though he has written to her.

"At this time there seems to be little hope she'll be able to get out under the present circumstances," Chaplain Knott said.

Tran describes Huntsville as "very quiet and beautiful" and says the weather is hotter than Vietnam in the summer and colder in the winter. "If I have a good job here I can live here," he said.

"Our theme comes from the 25th chapter of the Gospel of Matthew," he said. "Inasmuch as you've done it to the least of my brethren, you've done it to me."

Knott believes that "we in the congregation have received the greater blessing — more than the family we are helping."

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Foreign students get taste of 'Down Home'

BY LIZ SERGEANT

It wasn't bratwurst—it was BBQ. It wasn't kimchee, but coleslaw. Rice had been replaced by hushpuppies. But when over 500 foreign military students, their families, school staff and student sponsors got together for the annual picnic at MMCS Saturday, June 7, the scene was Alabama 'down home.'

According to Jim Ballinger, education and tour director for the foreign student support office, some students are given 'sneak previews' of past picnics, since they have never been to such an affair.

Students, faculty, sponsors from the Huntsville area, children and wives all got into the spirit. Volleyball games started up; soccer games were organized. Frisbees were flying all around the playing areas, and a strange new sport may have been invented right on the spot. It involved two people trying to pull each other up from a sitting position, and it rapidly developed into the spectator event of the day.

One thing everyone brought was a hearty appetite. Besides coleslaw, BBQ and hushpuppies, they downed gallons of soft drinks. They devoured relishes, rolls, dill pickles, sweet pickles, and red, hot BBQsauce. Chicken and potato salad disappeared into happy stomachs. And each student took something home, too. The memory of a 'real American picnic.'



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Chin-da Lee and a friend watch while MSgt Nidal H. Ibrahim (L) tries to pull Murray Clyde to his feet at the foreign student picnic June 7. Lee from Taiwan, is a student in the

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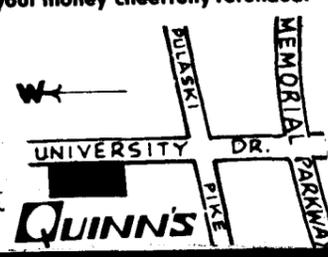
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Rockets tops in Rachel's Invitational Tourney

It was a long day on the ballfield for the Redstone's men's softball team Saturday as they took part in the ten team Rachel's Invitational Softball Tournament. The Rockets took to the field at 8 a.m., and by 10:30 that night had won the tournament — the hard way.

Game number one was against Parker of Lacey Springs. The Rockets emerged victorious 21-6 in five innings. Bill Gaffney led a 24-hit attack with two homeruns, a triple and six RBI's. James Seals tripled and homered and had five RBI's. Joe Granado also homered. Gaffney, Seals, Johns Powell and Ron Borrell had three hits apiece for the winners.

In game two Redstone took on Walker Building Supply from Arab. The Rockets came out on top again 21-4, getting eleven runs in the first inning. Hank Glass and Granado paced the attack with four hits apiece. Louis Abreu scored four runs. Granado and Seals homered for the Rockets.

In game three, Redstone faced a stubborn MMCS team. Tied 2-2 at the end of three innings. Redstone scored three in the fourth, and four in the fifth. Powell, Borrell and Carter Hines had three hits apiece. Hines, Powell, Borrell, Gaffney and Seals homered for the winners. Redstone came out on top 12-3.

In game four, Redstone was sent to the losers bracket by Johnson Sporting Goods. This time the long ball worked against them as the Johnson team hit three and came out on top 12-8.

In game five, the most exciting game of the day, the Rockets had to come from behind to score three runs in the bottom of the seventh to defeat Arab Dairy Queen 16-15. Redstone scored in every inning as the lead seesawed back and forth throughout the game. Down 15-13 in the last of the seventh, the Rockets scored the winning run with one out.

Glass started the rally leading off with a

double. Larry McPherson, running for Glass, advanced to third on a flyout and came home on a Bill Cid single. Arthur Young, running for Cid, advanced to third on a single by Louis Abreu and scored on a single by Gaffney, tying the game at 15. Prentiss Thomas then delivered a hard shot to right driving home Abreu with the winning run.

Gaffney, Thomas and Granado homered for the Rockets thus setting the stage for finals against Johnson Sporting goods. The Rockets' bats broke loose for 23 runs on 28 hits to defeat the Arab team 23-13. Hank Glass collected four hits, while Abreu, Seals, Hines and Jeff Wilhelmi got three apiece. Gaffney had four RBI's with Hines knocking in three more. Thomas homered for the Rockets.

So, with both teams having one loss apiece, the IF game had to be played. In the finale, the Rockets emerged as tournament champions with a 20-15 victory over Johnson Sporting Goods. The Rockets pounded out 22 hits as Thomas collected four with Abreu, Gaffney and Seals chipping in with three each. Redstone scored 17 runs in the final four innings to close out the 15-hour tournament.

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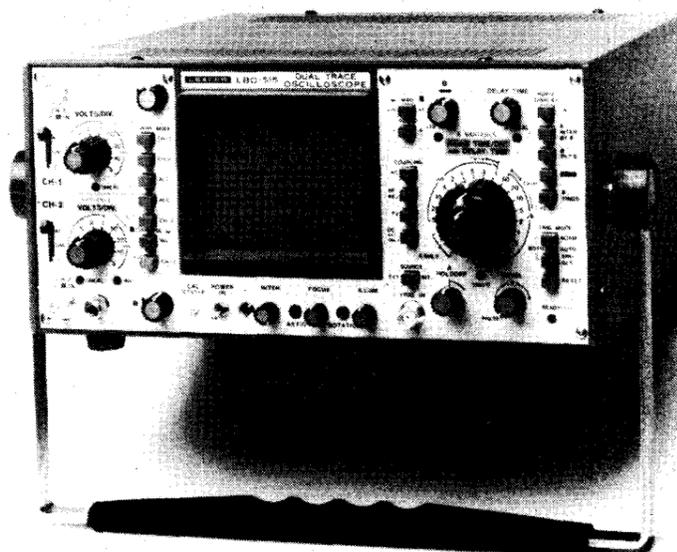
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R&D slams Rachels in CWF showdown

BY DOUG MCKEE

The big game finally came in CWF slo-pitch softball last week as undefeated Rachels and once beaten R&D squared off Tuesday to decide who was in the driver's seat. When the dust had settled, R&D had put a convincing 18-11 whipping on Ron Walton's Rachels squad despite their heralded homer power. Dean Reese pitched masterfully, allowing only a single homer to Dan Smith and Mike Mitchell. The Labmen got into the homer act themselves with Lloyd Brooks (2) and Al Ingram slamming four baggers. The win for R&D pushed them into a tie for the lead after one round of play.

In other games, on Monday Rachels warmed up for the big one by slipping past Raytheon 11-2 as Gary Belue's grand slammer and Ronnie Walton's pitching paved the way for the win over loser Roger Shubert. Walton's crew came back Thursday to slam P&P 21-13 with the long ball doing the damage. Elliot Agee took the win over Don Ford and Pee Wee Culver. Big Smith had a trio of long hits for the winners as did Don Sutton for the losers.

Fast-moving Comptroller took a trio of wins for the week, beating Metrology 18-3 on Monday, slipping past F&A 22-21 Tuesday, and Thursday ripped winless EMS 19-2.

On Thursday, R&D broke a tie in the 4th, then capped the victory in the 7th with nine runs in a 25-12 slugfest over MMCS. Frank Hayes and Jay Loomis combined for ten hits and Jerry Arzsmann and Jim Knauer supplied the long ball to aid Ron Eyestone in the win.

C.J. Copeland got a trio of four baggers from Todd Stuckey, but it proved to be not enough to win.

In the win over Metrology, Leonard Hatcher hit a grand slammer along with Charles Lovejoy's solo blast to pave the way for the win. Kim Colvin chipped in with 4 hits. Ken Magnant was the losing pitcher with two outs, Tim Richardson got a game-winning hit to drive Bob Peagler home to culminate a fantastic comeback. Controller was trailing 6-21 after five innings, then picked up eight in the sixth and eight more in the 7th to get the win. Bob Peagler had five hits to aid Leonard Hatcher's pitching victory over Aaron Thomas. James Love, Randy Pate and Hal Jacobs slugged four baggers for the losers. Big Nick (Bob Nichols), Ken Lomax and Bob Peagler lead the homer show-in an easy win over EMS as Hatcher pitched his third victory of the week.

Maint Engrs split for the week by losing a Slugfest to P&P 23-19 on Monday, then mauling MMCS 20-3 on Tuesday. The Engineers were coasting with a 9-0 lead after three innings when P&P created a storm by scoring 11 runs in the 4th and took a 23-14 lead into the 7th inning. The Engineers could not make it back, and Doug McKee took the pitching loss. Blair Johnson had the only homer for base-hitting P&P, as Don Sutton led the hit parade with five singles. Lloyd Parks (2), Charles Blackburn and Dave Bryant supplied the long ball for the losers. Parks continued his lusty hitting by slamming two more homers in the win over MMCS. Blackburn also connected again, this time a grand slammer after Parks was intentionally walked to load the bases. Todd Stuckey hit two for the losers as the versatile Parks picked up the pitching win over C. J. Copeland.

After P&P's big win over the Engrs, on Tuesday their bats were still winging as they pasted Metrology 18-9. Rick Hedrick's homer and four hits each from Don Ford and Steve Riley paced the win as Pee Wee Culver pitched the win over Ken Magnant.

Before running into a couple of buzz saw attacks later in the week, MMCS put EMS thru the ringer on Monday, 20-2. Dave Hudson and Mike Evans had homers for the winners. Bobby William's single and triple led the losers. C. J. Copeland won over Tom Trapane.

In final action on Thursday, Raytheon got back on the winning track by leveling Metrology 23-8 as Randy Stephenson (2), Johnny Ikard and Billy had four baggers to lead the win. Roger Shubert was the winner as Ken Magnant suffered the loss.

Only one game remains to be played to complete the 1st round in an 18 game schedule. R&D and Rachels seem to have the battle for 1st between them, but there are at least six clubs battling for the other two spots in the first division. All games are played at the Civilian Recreation area on Tuesday and Thursdays, beginning at 5:15 p.m. and everyone is invited to watch the excitement. Makeups of rained-out games are on Monday at 5:15 p.m.

How they stand

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R&D	8	1	.889	
Rachels	8	1	.889	
Maint Engrs	5	3	.625	2½
P&P	5	4	.555	3
MMCS	5	4	.555	3
Comptroller	4	5	.444	4
Raytheon	4	5	.444	4
F&A	3	5	.375	4½
Metrology	2	7	.222	6
EMS	0	9	.000	

Weekly schedule

Thursday, June 19

Fld 1, 5:15 F&A vs. Raytheon
 Fld 2, 5:15 EMS vs R&D
 Fld 1, 6:30 MMCS vs P&P
 Fld 2, 6:30 Maint Engrs vs Comptroller

Tuesday, June 24

Fld 1, 5:15 Metrology vs P&P
 Fld 2, 5:15 F&A vs Comptroller
 Fld 1, 6:30 R&D vs Rachels
 Fld 2, 6:30 Raytheon vs EMS

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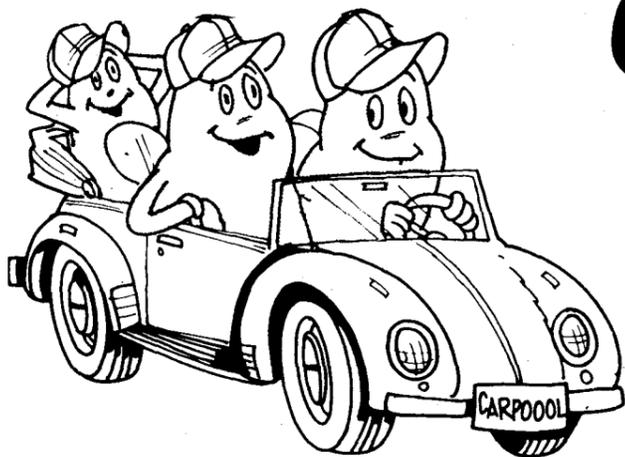
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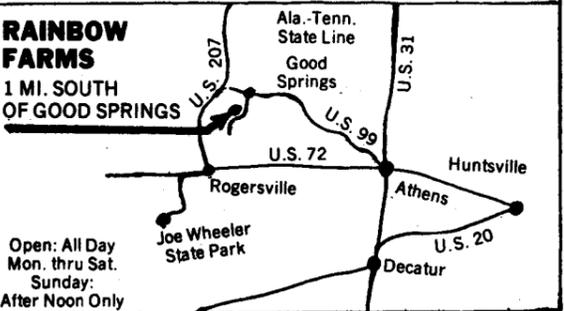
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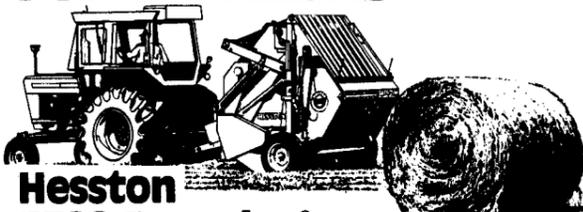
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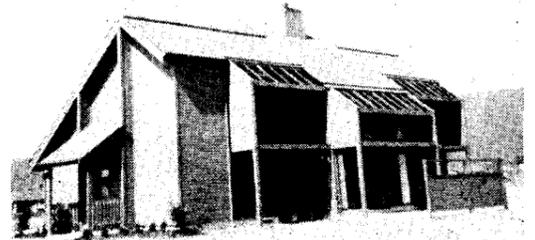
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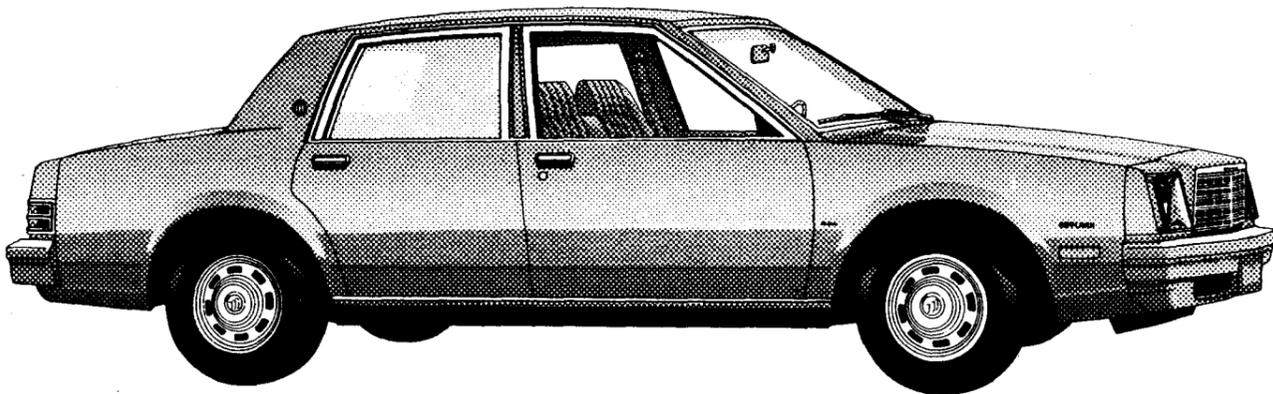
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