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Ten from DARCOM die in bus wreck

ALEXANDRIA, Va. — Ten civilian workers of the U.S. Army Materiel Development and Readiness Command (DARCOM) suffered fatal injuries when their homeward bound commuter bus wrecked Feb. 18.

Eleven other DARCOM civilian workers were hospitalized, some seriously hurt. The driver of the chartered bus died in the crash.

Authorities could offer no immediate explanation for the wreck. A Virginia state trooper following the bus said it swerved off an interstate highway, plunged over a bank and overturned into a creek. The wreck happened about 5 p.m. near Quantico, Va. The chartered bus ran daily trips between DARCOM headquarters and Fredericksburg, Va.

The dead DARCOM headquarters workers included: Joseph Brown, Materiel Management; Frederick Bennett, Service Support Activity; Virginia Cox, Equipment Authorization Review Activity; Delores Garrison, Security Assistance Center; Carol Hirt, Equipment Authorization Review Activity; Richard Fagle, Personnel and Training; Julia Smith, Materiel Management; Zohrab Tashjian, Plans and Analysis and Margaret Wilson, Communication Electronics and Cynthia Zeman, Comptroller.

Hiring freeze lifted

The over 100 prospective Army civilian employees affected by President Reagan's hiring freeze may be getting their jobs here after all.

The freeze on the hiring of civilian workers for the Army and other military services has thawed. Effective immediately, commanders may begin again to hire civilian federal workers within ceilings approved in the January 1981 program budget.

This means that most, if not all, of the 133 prospective Army civilian employees — including 100 who had planned to work for the Missile Command and the remainder for other local commands — will be hired.

"We will be going out to the individuals who had written offers of employment but were unable to report due to the hiring freeze, and we will be arranging reporting dates," said Dave Fisher, chief of Recruitment and Placement in the Army's Civilian Personnel Office here.

"We will be arranging reporting dates for all individuals as long as they fall within the authorized FY (fiscal year) 81 ceiling strengths."

A recent move by the Reagan administration allows the hiring of civilians "as

needed to execute the approved 1981 defense program and to assure people do not suffer financial hardship due to the suspension of firm commitments made since Nov. 5, 1980," according to a memo from the Office of the Secretary of Defense.

President Reagan, shortly after taking office, signed an executive order Jan. 20 imposing a federal hiring freeze.

The lifting of the hiring restrictions will immediately impact on those persons who were offered federal positions after Nov. 5, but were not on the federal payroll last month when the president imposed the freeze.

The Army had requested exemptions for about 300 of those "frozen" on the basis of extreme hardship. Many of them had already sold their homes or quit their jobs in anticipation of new government jobs when the freeze was announced.

This latest administration action allows the Army to replace civilians leaving civil service with new workers and to hire workers from outside the Department of Defense.

Under the freeze, the Army could hire no full-time or part-time workers. The freeze did not apply, however, to executive-level and non-career positions in the senior executive service.

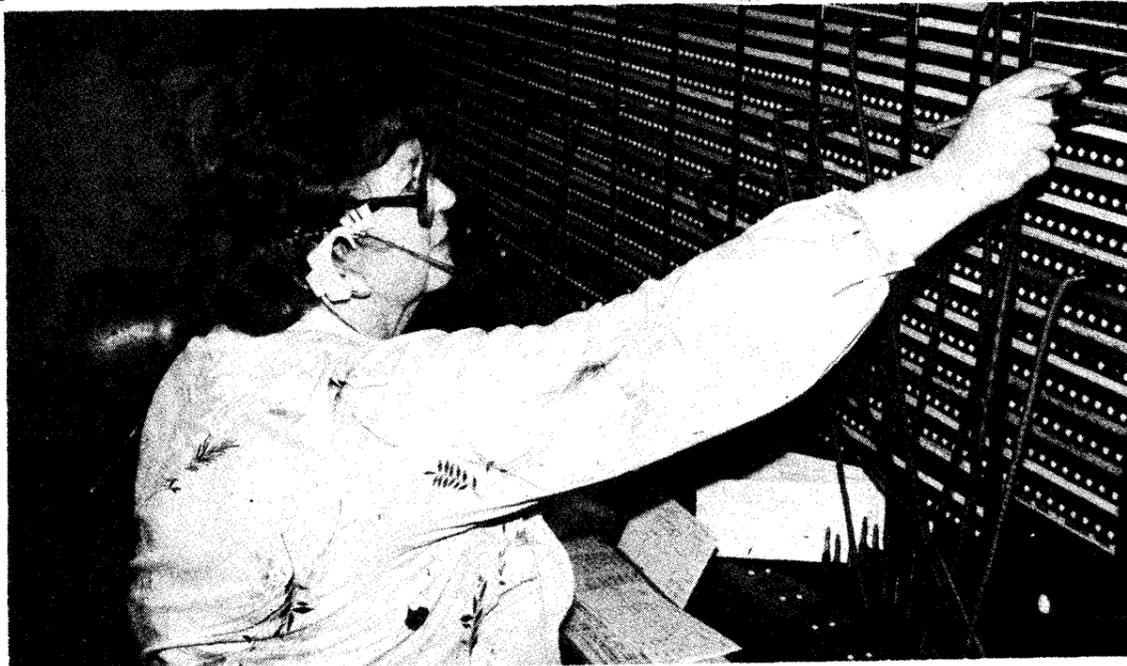
Dial '7'

New direct system begins for long-distance calls

BY SKIP VAUGHN

Army activities at Redstone Arsenal will begin using the Federal Telecommunications System (FTS) for placing official commercial long distance calls on March 2.

The new system will be an addition to the present Automatic Voice Network (AUTOVON) system used here for dialing direct to Department of Defense agencies.



Telephone operator Mary English places call at Telephone Exchange switchboard

Under FTS, a caller here will dial "7", get a dial tone, then dial the area code and seven digit number. This system will allow the caller to phone agencies outside the Defense Department but within the United States.

"You can't dial direct in all cases. Sometimes it'll have to go through a GSA (General Services Administration) operator on the other end," said Dick Parker, operations officer for U.S. Army Communications Command here.

"In many cases, you can dial direct," he added. "Eventually the system will be completely direct dial, but that's probably a few years down the stream."

Placing a call by FTS is similar to the AUTOVON system in which the caller dials "8," waits for a dial tone then dials an agency's AUTOVON number.

FTS is used at Marshall Space Flight Center and, since last July 1, at the Ballistic Missile Defense Systems Command in Research Park.

About a year ago, the U.S. Army Materiel Development and Readiness Command

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Letters

Keep the light

Editor:

Reference is made to Mr. William H. Murray's letter concerning the suggested removal of the traffic light at Martin Road and Mills Road.

There are several good reasons for not removing the light as suggested: namely, the approximately 1,600 employees in the 5600 area (Maintenance Engineering Directorate, Materiel Management Directorate, Management Information Systems Directorate, Field Printing Plant, RASA, etc.) south of Martin Road. Most of these employees, I'm sure, will not agree with Mr. Murray. To reach Martin Road from this area via the two overpasses, one must travel longer, indirect routes with at least one left turn involved.

In reference to Mr. Murray's statement concerning the small amount of traffic on Mills Road, he has evidently never been traveling north on Mills Road south of Martin Road at quitting time.

John L. McKinney

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Flexing odd hours

Question: We have people in our outfit who are flexing some odd hours, like taking off an hour early today, and working an extra hour the next day to make up for it. Is it permissible to do this under flextime? If not, would you please state what the rules are for flextime.

Answer: The flexitour of duty concept was implemented at this command to allow employees to select a starting time within the established flexible time band and once selected, this time would become the participant's assigned working schedule.

A flexitour of duty is defined as a working schedule of five workdays of eight and one half consecutive hours including one half hour for lunch. The tour must consist of six hours core time from 0900 to 1500 with a flexible time between 0630 and 0900 hours, and 1500 and 1730 hours. An employee is not allowed to work, for example, in excess of eight hours one day in order to shorten the next workday or to shorten the workweek to less than five days.

Should it become necessary for an employee to deviate from his established tour of duty, he should make such a request to his immediate supervisor as far in advance as possible but at least one day in advance. A request for permanent change in his flexitour must be made in writing to the immediate supervisor at least two weeks in advance. Approval or disapproval of such requests will be based upon workload and mission requirements.

Those employees eligible for overtime pay, who work more than eight hours a day are entitled to overtime. Employees who work less than eight hours a day would be in a leave status.

Problem for many years

Question: DRSMI-JMI DF dated 29 May 1980 indicated that the suggestion evaluation process has been a problem for many years. This is not news to anyone who has submitted a suggestion. MICOM Regulation 690-16, dated 22 September 1976, which is the local policy procedure, has been under revision for several years, according to the Command library. Why is it taking so long to update this important regulation?

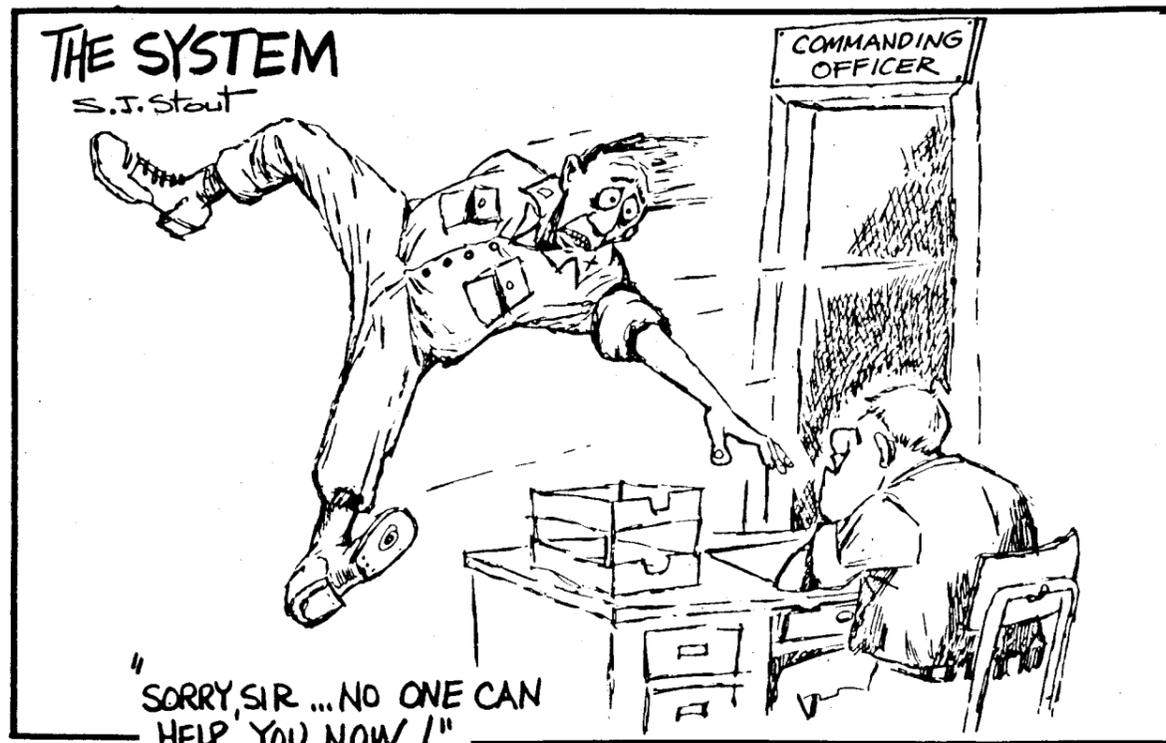
b. Why have no appropriate changes been published?

c. Does the suggestion program not deserve a current, well-written regulation?

Answer: This regulation is long and involved; therefore, it is a major project to revise it. A first rework was completed over a year ago. It was returned for editorial changes. Since that time, work has now progressed to the point where the incentive awards regulation is now in the process of being prepared for staffing.

b. Two changes have been made, January 1977 and June 1977. When MIRCOM and MIRADCOM again combined, along with other changes, it was decided to revise the entire regulation rather than make further changes.

c. Yes, the incentive awards program does deserve a current, well-written regulation. It is expected that the revised regulation will be published shortly.



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FEGLI offers new coverages

Eligible federal workers will be able to elect new coverages during an open season for the Federal Employees Group Life Insurance (FEGLI) Program.

There were two new forms of optional insurance added to the insurance plans offered in the past. Besides the basic insurance and the \$10,000 optional insurance, employees can now elect Additional and Family coverage.

Also, the amount of Basic Insurance (formerly called Regular Insurance) will be increased in October 1981 for covered employees under age 45 at no additional cost to the employee.

Approximately 2,350,000 employees are enrolled in the FEGLI program which is administered by the Office of Personnel Management.

The Office of Personnel Management has announced that the open season to elect new coverages will begin March 1, but at press time it was not clear if Redstone would begin

open season on that date.

June Clay, chief of Civilian Personnel's processing branch which administers the insurance program at Redstone Arsenal, said she understands the open season is to begin in March but she has not received anything from OPM. "We have not received anything on it," she said last week.

The regular FEGLI plan provides coverage in an amount equal to the employee's salary, rounded to the next higher thousand dollars, plus \$2,000. It features a level premium, which means the rate per \$1,000 of insurance is the same for all employees, regardless of age.

Employing agencies contribute one-third of the cost of regular insurance, and the employee pays the rest. The Postal Service assumes the full cost for its employees.

In addition, \$10,000 of optional insurance coverage is available to those participating in the regular plan under a schedule of age-adjusted rates on an employee-pay-all basis.

Changes to improve the FEGLI program

were signed into law by the president last Oct.

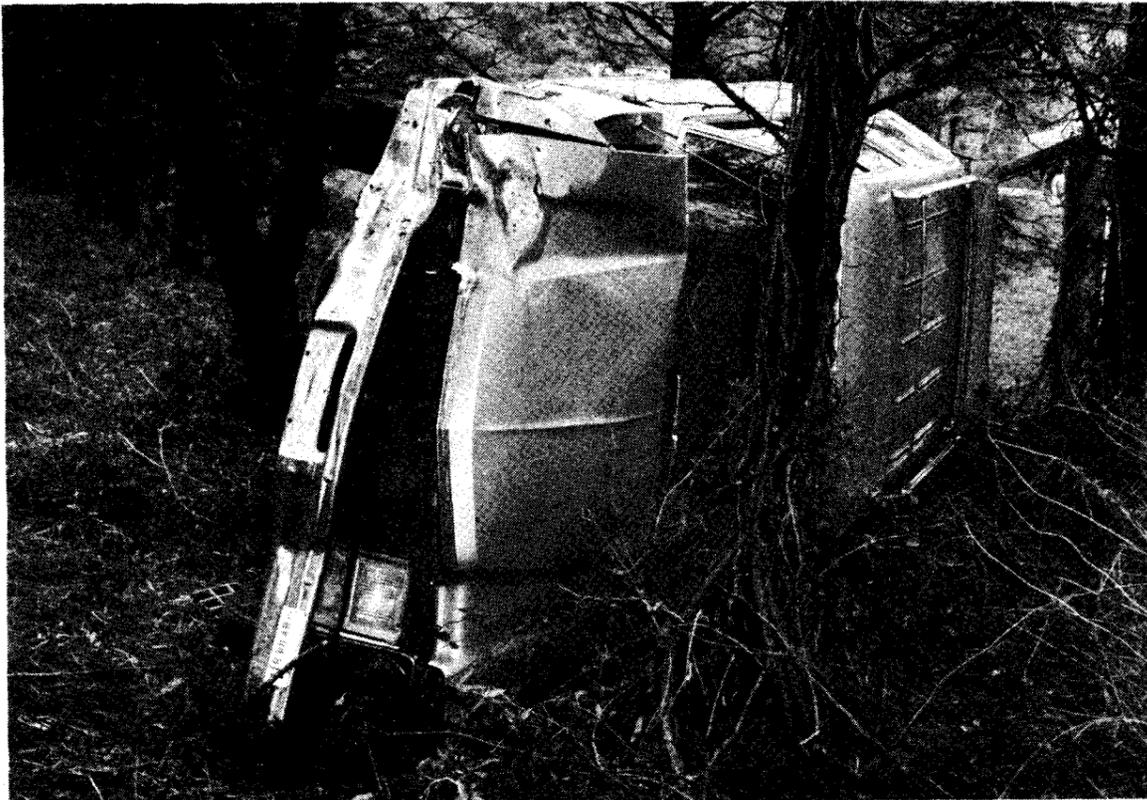
10. Under this law, any eligible federal employee retiring since Dec. 9 can elect an option to prevent the automatic decrease in the face value of life insurance that occurs after age 65.

Until now, life insurance was automatically reduced two percent per month after age 65, down to 25 percent of the original face value. Employees can now elect a lesser reduction, or no reduction at all, through withholdings from their retirement annuities.

OPM has set new premium rates associated with the new insurance programs. The cost of the Basic Insurance has been reduced slightly

from 25 and a half cents bi-weekly per thousand dollars of coverage to 24 cents bi-weekly.

During open season all eligible employees (including re-employed annuitants) will be "required to complete an election form setting forth their elections or declinations of the four forms of insurance," OPM said.



On its side

A 1978 Plymouth station wagon lies on its driver side last Thursday morning after SSgt. William Almy, 38, of Company A, apparently lost control of the vehicle. Military police said the car was traveling north on Vincent Drive when it went off the east side of Vincent about a quarter of a mile north of the Redeye-

Vincent intersection about 9:55 a.m. Almy, who military police said was administratively charged with failure to maintain control of a vehicle, was admitted to Fox Army Community Hospital for his injuries and later released.

Huntsville native is top soldier

BY GREG KENDALL

A Huntsville native, PFC Vincent E. Moyers, is the post February Soldier of the Month.

Moyers, 18, competed against other soldiers from 2nd Battalion and Special Troops in winning the award given for outstanding knowledge of military subjects, Army customs and for professional military bearing, according to board member CSM Harold Jackson.

He credits his ROTC experience at nearby Lee High School for giving him an advantage. "I guess having had prior exposure to the military helped a little," he said, "but I enjoy trying to be number one in anything."

The Missile repairman is assigned to the 4th Student Company and says his goals include becoming an officer and making the Army a career.

"I want to try to make the Army a little better, and if winning this award inspires others to try harder, too, then it's all the more satisfying."

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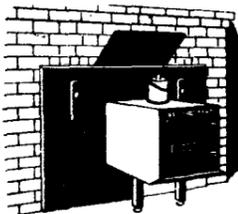
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PFC Gregory M. Starr, 95th SVC — Military Courtesy should be stressed because you have a lot of soldiers, including officers, who set a poor example of what it should be.



SFC Danny Meenen, Co B — The most important areas are Military courtesy and discipline. The standards in the Army would increase if we really enforced those two principles.



Pvt Ken Halloran, 4th S.C. — More combat-related training. A lot of soldiers here haven't seen a M16 since Basic Training. We definitely need more firing exercises.



Pvt. Benjamin Gibbs, 7th S.C. — Military Justice. A lot of people get unnecessary Article 15s that could've been avoided if they understood UCMJ.



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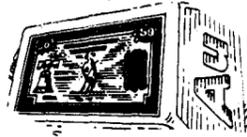
Lovejoy's College Guide, for example, is a complete reference for students and parents.

It lists more than 3500 American colleges. The library also has The College Blue Book. The five-volume set lists degrees offered, descriptions of colleges, costs and enrollment figures, and scholarships. The final volume lists more than 8000 trade and technical schools. The technical Library collection also contains more than 200 recent U.S. college and university catalogues.

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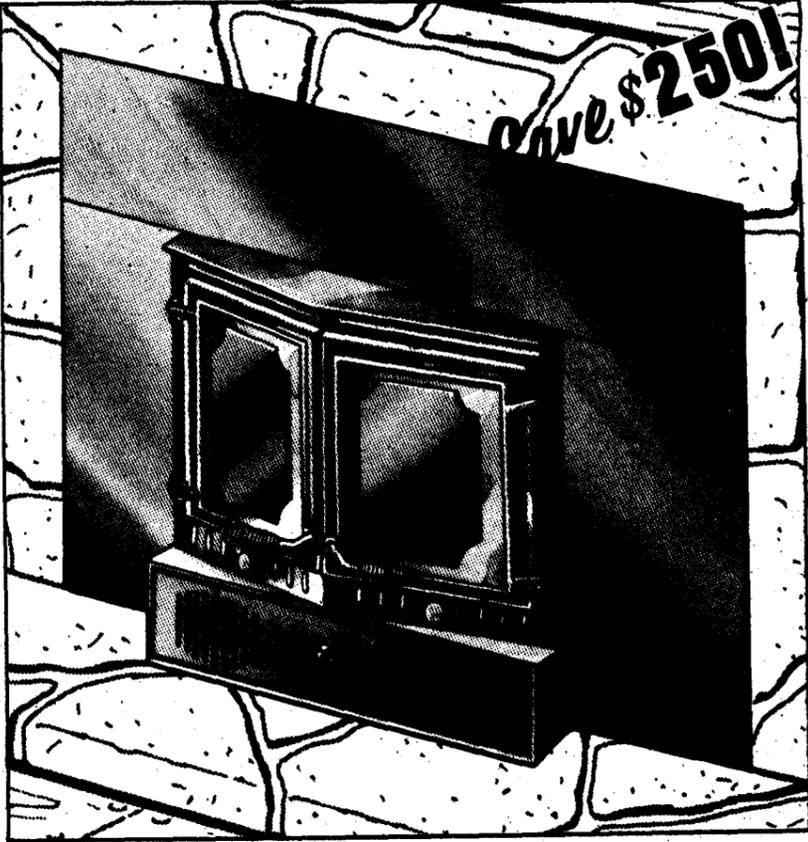
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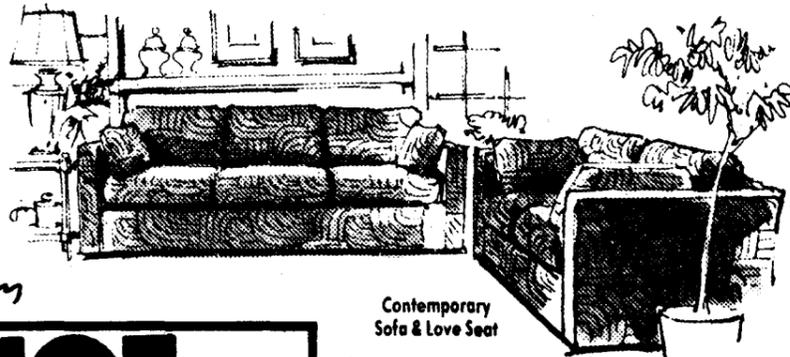
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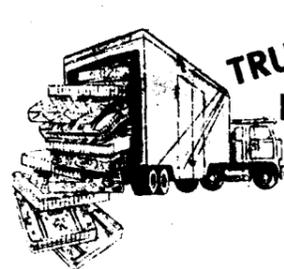


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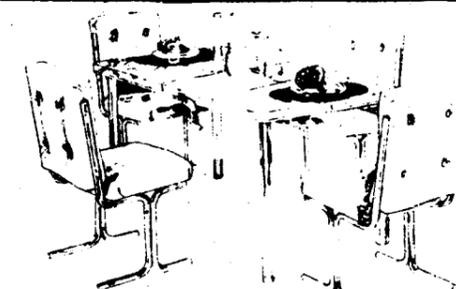
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'Dial '7'

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decided to put FTS in 27 of its installations including Redstone Arsenal.

"FTS will change the method of placing commercial long distance calls," Parker said. Presently, Army people here dial "0" to call the operator to place a call for them.

Callers will still have to dial "0" to place calls within North Alabama.

The cost of using FTS will be cheaper than commercial or Wide Area Telephone Service (WATS) which the operator uses to complete commercial calls, according to Parker. Cost will be based on the number of calls placed and not the distance covered.

Under the arrangement between GSA and the American Telephone and Telegraph Company, GSA pays for the number of calls placed, Parker said. The Army and other government agencies share this FTS cost.

The Defense Department leases the lines

and switching centers from AT&T for the AUTOVON system and pays a fixed amount each month.

Pat Haynes, chief operator for the communications command here, said Redstone's telephone operators have received several calls from people wishing them good-bye. "But we're going to still be here and we'll be their FTS assistance operator," she said.

The new system will mean "a lot of extra dialing," Haynes said. "It's going to be almost like them trying to get the AUTOVON system. At busy time, the circuit's going to be overloaded and they're not going to be able to get through I don't think."

"It's one of those situations where you just wait and see what the outcome's going to be," Haynes said.

Army activities here make from 900 to 1,000 long distance WATS calls daily.

O-5, O-6 board slated in March

WASHINGTON — The 1981 colonel and lieutenant colonel AUS selection boards scheduled for March will pick officers for those grades based on Army specialty needs, according to Army personnel officials.

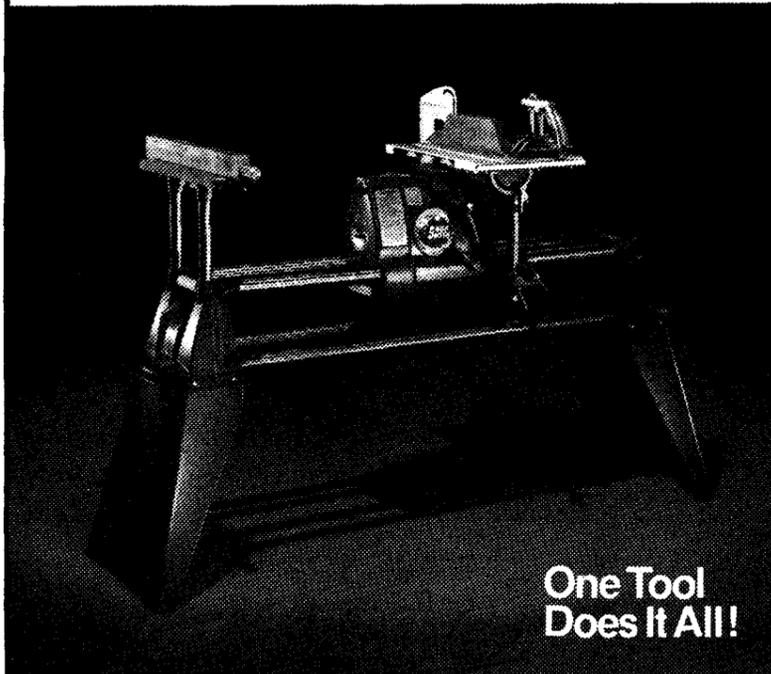
This action is a follow-on to the 1980 boards which selected officers, in part, based on guidance designed to reduce shortages in selected specialties.

For the 1981 boards, minimum selections across all specialties have been programmed. Officials say selections by specialty are needed to correct shortages over time as well as offer equal promotion opportunities within each specialty.

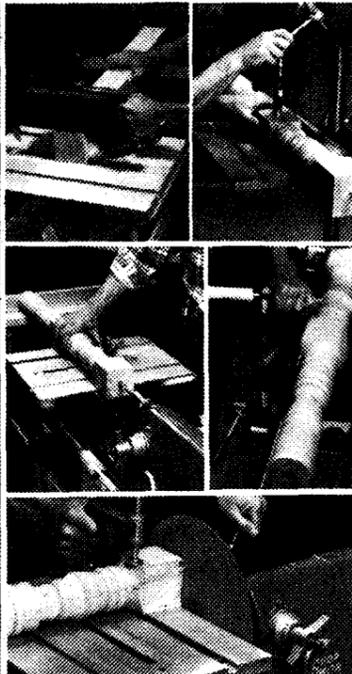
The promotion selection change, according to officials, supports the officer personnel management system. It will also help meet Army specialty needs and allow outstanding officers to serve in all specialties with the knowledge they will be promoted on their potential to serve in those skilled areas.

Initially, the officials note, the selection system will not affect Army Medical Department, Chaplains Corps or Judge Advocate General officers. Only those officers managed under the Officer Personnel Management Directorate will be included under the change. (ARNEWS)

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OSU picked to win

BY SKIP VAUGHN

Oregon State faces two tough tests out West this week in its quest to remain undefeated and the undisputed number one team in major college basketball.

This picker expects Ralph Millers' Beavers to meet the task against both Southern Cal and UCLA. Meanwhile, Virginia hopes to rebound from its first loss of the season at the hands of Notre Dame.

Closer to home, Alabama should beat Auburn in a close one tonight.

This picker's record for his weekly picks stands at 89-26 after he went 20-6 in his last try. Here's this week try at forecasting winners of selected games in Division I NCAA basketball:

- Alabama at Auburn (tonight) — Bama
- Maryland at North Carolina State (tonight) — Maryland
- Ole Miss at Louisiana State (tonight) — LSU
- Virginia at Wake Forest (tonight) — Virginia
- Tennessee at Georgia (tonight) — Georgia
- Kentucky at Miss. State (tonight) — Kentucky
- Stanford at Arizona State (Feb. 26) — Ariz. St.
- Michigan at Iowa (Feb. 26) — Iowa
- Illinois at Minnesota (Feb. 26) — Illinois
- Ohio State at Indiana (Feb. 26) — Indiana
- Oregon State at Southern Cal (Feb. 27) — OSU
- Oregon at UCLA (Feb. 27) — UCLA
- Maryland at Virginia (Feb. 28) — Virg.
- DePaul at Loyola, Ill. (Feb. 28) — DePaul
- LSU at Kentucky (Feb. 28) — LSU
- Wake Forest at N.C. State (Feb. 28) — Wake Forest
- California at Ariz. State (Feb. 28) — ASU
- Auburn at Tennessee (Feb. 28) — Tenn.
- Wisconsin at Iowa (Feb. 28) — Iowa
- North Carolina at Duke (Feb. 28) — N.C.
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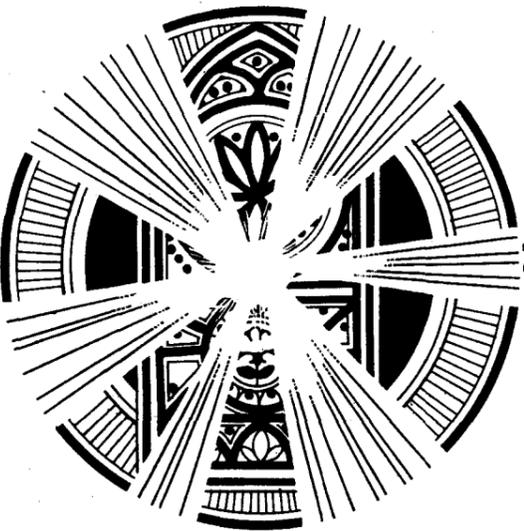
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Co. A rallies to win

BY GREG KENDALL

Leon Patton and Terry Adams combined for 24 points in the second half, rallying Co. A Team I to 53-47 victory over Co. A Team II Friday night here in playoff basketball action.

The win advanced Team I to the third round of the double-elimination tournament and a game closer to the championship finals tomorrow night.

Team II rolled to an early 16-4 lead behind the scoring of Dennis Lambert, Delbert Turner and John Hewitt and the strong rebounding of Victor Terrell. Turnovers and poor shooting plagued Team I, and they trailed 23-15 at the half.

When Lambert hit a turn-around jumper with 16 minutes left in the second half, a major upset seemed certain. But instead of slowing down the tempo to kill time, Team I chose to

take hurried shots. Patton and Adams made them pay for it. With 12:58 left to play, Patton connected on three straight bombs from the corner, the last one giving Team I its first lead of the game at 36-35. However Hewitt then sank two technical foul shots and added two jumpers to put Team II back in front, 45-40 with 4:51 remaining.

Again Team II had a chance to run out the clock and win the game, but they continued to take poor shots. Adams, who scored all but three of his 16 points in the final period, made sure they wouldn't get a third chance. He scored six of his team's next 10 points, including two key free throws to ice the game with less than a minute to play.

Patton finished with a game high of 17 points while Hewitt led the losers with 14.

Eastern Conference		W	L
Co. A Team I		18	1
HHC		14	5
Marines		11	8
4th S.C. Team II		6	13
MEDDAC		3	14

Western Conference		W	L
Co. B		19	0
Co. A Team II		14	7
515th Ord. Co.		12	8
4th S.C. Team I		12	8
95th SVC		9	10
7th S.C.		7	12
6th S.C.		3	16

Top ten scorers	Average
1. Carter - Marines	21.0
2. Newsome - Marines	19.1
3. Wilson - 4th S.C. Team I	18.3
4. Adams - Co. A Team I	17.5
5. Athay - MEDDAC	15.3
6. Whitten - HHC	15.1
7. Lockett - Co. B	14.8
8. Carter - 4th S.C. Team I	14.2
9. Hewitt - Co. A Team II	13.4
10. Griffin - 95th SVC	13.1

Finance and Accounting on top in CWF basketball

Armed with the league's two leading scorers, James Battle and James Love, Finance and Accounting is the apparent champion of Civilian Welfare Fund basketball.

F&A won 12 games since losing its first and was only one game away from finishing the season. Its final scheduled contest was against Metrology, a 2-11 team.

Last week, Battle scored 28 and Love put in 20 to lead F&A to an 85-63 victory over Missile Labs. Steve Smith led the labs with 33 points.

The top four teams in CWF basketball will take on the top four teams of Marshall Space Flight Center in a Army-NASA tournament March 2, 3 and 5. The tournament will be held in NASA's gymnasium.

Comptrollers, the second place team, closed out its regular season last week with a 105-39 romp over Product Assurance Directorate. Abdullah Muhammad had 24 points, Mose Hall 23 and Jesse Lewis 22 to lead Comptrollers to an 11-3 record. Charles Upshaw had 29 for PAD.

Bobby Holland scored 29 to lead Rachels to a 71-65 victory last week over the Corps of Engineers. The win brought Rachels to within one game of third place with one game left to play. Corps of Engineers finished with a 10-4 record, and Rachels' slate stood at 9-4.

In other games last week, Corps of Engineers whipped Procurement and Production 80-40; Comptrollers beat Metrology 57-47; and Procurement and Production defeated Metrology 69-61.

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2. Comptrollers	11	3
3. COE	10	4
4. Rachels	9	4
5. Missile Labs	6	7
6. P&P	3	10
7. Metrology	2	11
8. PAD	0	13

TOP TEN SCORERS

Team	Avg	GP
1. James Battle	F&A 22.0	13
2. James Love	F&A 20.8	12
3. Alan Nelson	COE 20.6	13
4. Lloyd Brooks	Missile Labs 20.3	13
5. Abdullah Muhammad	Comptrollers 20.0	13
6. Mike Mitchell	COE 19.9	13
7. A.C. Cheatum	Rachels 19.8	12
8. Terry Whitman	Metrology 19.6	13
9. Mose Hall	Comptrollers 17.0	13
10. Charles Upshaw	PAD 16.5	12

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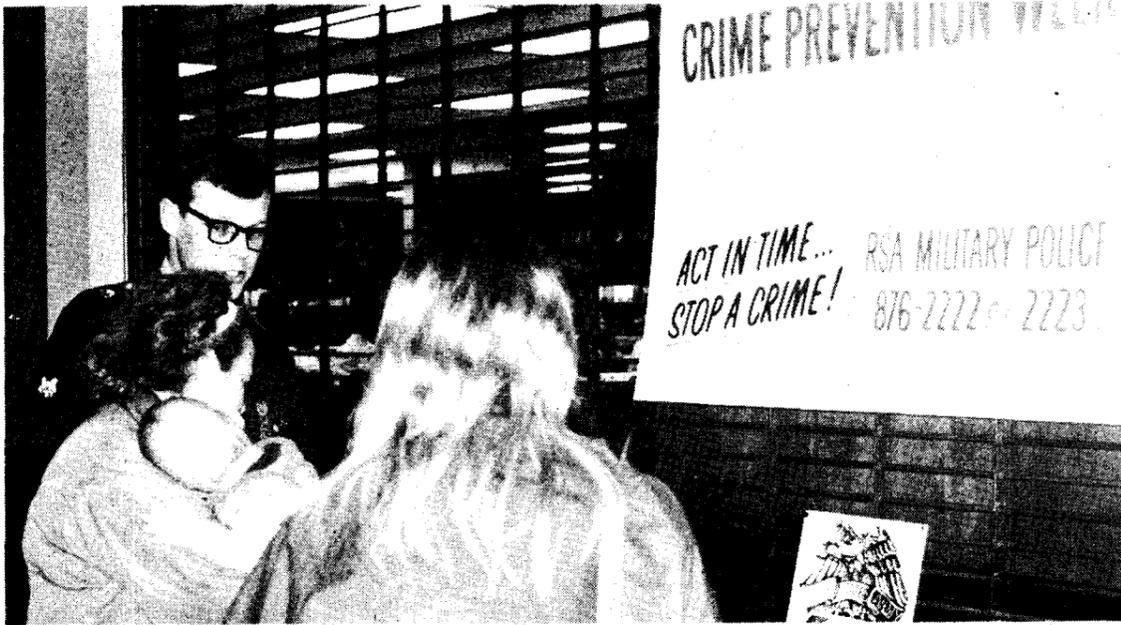
Artist that will be represented in the sale include Dali, Chagall, Rockwell and others. Patrician Galleries of Atlanta, Chicago and Washington will conduct the art auction.

The Saturday sale will begin at 6:30 p.m. with a preview of the works of art for sale and complimentary wine, cheese and hors d'oeuvres. At 7:30 the auction will start.

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The new scholarship program is part of the Army's continuing effort to expand its ROTC program, say officials. In addition to paying full tuition for qualified students, the program covers fees for books and a subsistence allowance of up to \$1,000.

Students selected to participate in the program will also be paid while attending the advance camp, normally between the junior and senior years.

Further, scholarship winners who are eligible to receive GI Bill or VEAP (Veterans Educational Assistance Program) educational benefits may be able to use these funds while enrolled in the ROTC program.

To qualify for the program, soldiers must have completed at least one year of active duty and one year of college. They must also meet certain maximum age requirements. These may be adjusted for soldiers with previous active duty service time, officials note.

Those soldiers applying for the two-year scholarship must have already completed at least two years of college and have two years left in a degree program. Those applying for

the three-year program must have at least one year of college.

All applicants must have scored at least 115 on the GT portion of the armed forces entrance exam, be accepted by a college for the U.S. Citizen. After graduating from college, former enlisted members will be commissioned as second lieutenants. At that time, they will incur a four-year active duty obligation.

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There are over 10,000 veteran debtors with debts totalling 7 million dollars in Alabama. Most of these debts arose from overpayments of training allowances, loan guaranty deficiencies or defaults under the educational loan program.

When necessary suits will be filed against the veterans to collect these debts. The District Counsel stated that before a suit is filed the veteran will be notified by letter of his or her indebtedness and given an opportunity to make prompt payment. The debtor will have 30 days in which to respond to that letter before court action is taken.

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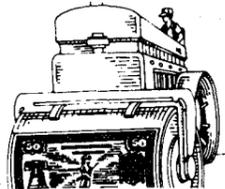
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New officer course teaches staff skills

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This combined arms and services school, commonly called CAS3, is another step in the Army's professional development of its officers, explained Col. Harold Fraley, school director. The course will eventually be offered to all officers between their 7th and 9th years of service.

Requirement for the new school resulted from a 1977 study on the officer education system. The study had recommended a short course be developed to train officers in staff skills. (Arnews).

Egypt described as 'modern'

BY LORI KING

Anyone who imagines Egypt to be all desert and inhabited by camels definitely has a wrong impression of that country, according to Lt. Col. Kamel Wefky of the Egyptian Army.

He describes his homeland as "modern. Cairo reminds me of New York without the skyscrapers."

Wefky is the senior representative of nine Egyptian officers who arrived at MMCS in December. They are the first Egyptians to train at the Arsenal since foreign military students began missile maintenance training here in May 1957.

Four of the officers are taking the HAWK

course and the remaining five are in the Ordnance Officer Advanced Course. With the addition of Egypt, 12 foreign countries are being represented here.

The officers are among approximately 85 Egyptians who will be taking missile courses

this year, said Capt. William J. Harp, Chief of Foreign Student Support Office.

Harp added that next year they plan on receiving enlisted Egyptians as well as officers.

"Huntsville is certainly not the crowded, noisy Cairo or New York that I'm accustomed to," said Wefky, "but I think I'm going to like it."

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BUS 150	Intro. to Business	Smalley	None	M-W	5-7:30
BUS 190	Intro. to Data Processing Systems	DeGrom	None	M-W	7:30-10
BUS 281	Accounting II	Jacobs	Bus 280	M-W	5-7:30
BUS 368	Current Issues in Business	Smalley	21 hrs. of Bus courses	M-W	7:30-10
Eng 100	Reading & Study Skills	Powers	None	M-W	5-7:30
Eng 102	English Composition II	Dyar	ENG 101	M-W	5-7:30
MA 201	Analytic Geo. & the Calculus I	Patty	MA 100	M-W	7:30-10
MA 350	Statistics	Patty	MA 100	M-W	5-7:30
PHIL 201	Intro. to Philosophy	Brumett	Soph. Stand.	M-W	7:30-10
PSY 304	Personality Theory	May	PSY 101	M-W	7:30-10
BUS 231	Principles of Marketing	Shepard	None	T-T	5-7:30
BUS 361	Personnel Management	Rouse	BUS 260	T-T	7:30-10
BUS 427	Retailing Issues & Strategy	Dodson	BUS 321 or BUS 325	T-T	5-7:30
CJ 101	Intro. to C. J. Admin.	Bill	None	T-T	7:30-10
CJ 201	Criminal Investigation	Moon	CJ 101	T-T	5-7:30
ENG 101	English Composition I	Dyar	None	T-T	5-7:30
Gov 340	Judicial Process	Lampley	None	T-T	7:30-10
HIST 102	Western Civilization II	Saunders	None	T-T	5-7:30
PSY 101	General Psychology	Blanchard	None	T-T	7:30-10

ACADEMIC CALENDAR — SESSION 2, 1981

Early Registration Begins	February 17, 1981
(Early Registration is continuous from Feb. 17, 1981 til.....)	March 12, 1981
Tuition Assistance Form Deadline	March 6, 1981
Regular Registration	March 13, 1981
Classes Begin	March 16, 1981
Late Registration Ends	March 20, 1981
Last Day to Drop.....	March 27, 1981
Classes End.....	May 9, 1981

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Announcements

'God's Trombones' presentation

The public is invited to the last of a series of programs presented Thursday nights in February at the Post Chapel for Black History Month. Selections from the Broadway musical "Porgy and Bess" and James Weldon Johnson's "God's Trombones" will be performed by musicians from Oakwood College and the Weatherly Heights Baptist Church. The program, at which there will be refreshments, will begin at 6:45 p.m. Thursday at the Post Chapel.

Full service at Tailor Shop

The troop area Tailor Shop is testing a full-service operation during Feb. 23 - April 3. Customer patronage will determine the level of operation after the six-week test period. The Tailor Shop is open Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 3:30-5:30 p.m.

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Tonight — Movies at 7 p.m. Thursday — Bingo at 8 p.m. Friday — Trophy Pool at 7 p.m. Saturday — Feature Film at 7 p.m. Sunday — Justice Show (musical group).

Engineers Week banquet

An Engineers Week (Feb 22-27) banquet sponsored by the Huntsville Association of Technical Societies will be held Friday at the Officers Club with a social at 6:30 p.m. followed by dinner and a program featuring Dr. Mary Helen Johnston of MSFC, a materials engineer and astronaut candidate for the space shuttle program. She will talk on "Space Processing — Can it Lead to New Materials?" Others on the program include Brig. Gen. Benjamin J. Pellegrini, MICOM deputy for R&D, Dr. William Lucas, MSFC director, and Major Joe Davis. For more information and reservations (required) call Robert Seitz, 453-0266, or John MacIntyre, 881-8113.

Girls softball sign-up

Registration for girls softball is being conducted by DYA from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday-Friday in Bldg. 114. Eligible ages are seven through 18 — age as of July 31, 1981 for 17 year olds and May 31, 1981 for 18 year olds. Proof of age is required if not previously verified by DYA. For more information call 876-5437. There is a \$5 registration fee.

Baseball, T-ball registration

Parents can register their boys for baseball and T-ball at the DYA office work days from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Eligible ages are seven through 18 (age on July 31, 1981). Proof of age is required if not previously verified by DYA. For more information call 876-5437. There is a \$5 registration fee.

Lance British office closing

The British office in the Lance Project will close this month after 17 years. To mark this event, a small presentation ceremony will be held in the conference room, A-241, Bldg. 5250 at 3:30 p.m. Friday. Everyone who has worked in the Lance office is invited to attend.

SEER briefing

When a rater is relieved for cause, the indorser will submit a change-or-rater report for those personnel normally rated by the relieved rater. What type of report, if any, would be submitted if both the rater and indorser were relieved for cause? Who would render the report? For the answer to these questions and any you may have contact MSG Noland or SSG Tee, 876-2928, and have the 40 minute briefing entitled "The SEER Your Responsibilities" scheduled for presentation to your division, project or company. This briefing should be attended by ratees, raters, indorsers, and reviewers of the SEER. Only through your participation and cooperation will the MICOM Commander's stated goal of 100 percent timely submission of the SEER with no error be attained.

SAME conference

The annual Alabama-Tennessee Conference of the Society of American Military Engineers will be held March 5-7 at the Carriage Inn with the theme, "Conservation and New Technology in the Field of Energy". Guest speakers and topics are Maj. Gen. William D. Gilbert, director, Engineering Services, USAF, and president SAME — "Engineering Challenges," Dr. John Wright, president UAH — "Energy Overview"; E. A. Lloyd, acting director, High BTU Gas Program Office, DOE — "Synfuels"; Ronald L. Thomas, manager, Wind Energy Project Office, NASA Lewis Research Center — "Wind Energy"; Dr. Michael D. High, director, Energy Demonstration and Technology Division, TVA — "Energy Options"; Dr. David Christensen, research coordinator, Johnson Environmental and Energy Center, UAH — "Solar Energy". A ladies tour of the Twickenham District and MSFC is scheduled. Call Lt. Col. David C. O'Neil, 895-5370, for registration or further details.

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Dr. Joseph F. Drake, Former President, Alabama A&M University Guest Speaker "The Life of William Hooper Council"

June 20, 1941

(adapted from Wings Over Jordan Radio Program)

Great movements and great men are so inter-related, that it is often difficult to determine whether the man is a product of the movement or the movement a product of the man. Likewise, in the consideration of the origin and growth of a movement it is difficult to enumerate all individuals who have contributed to its development. Among the unsung heroes in the early development of Negro education, William Hooper Council deserves a high place. From 1875, the year of the founding of his school in the foothills of North Alabama, to 1909 the year of his death, he exerted a state, national and international influence on vocational education. Brought to Alabama from North Carolina through the famous Richmond slave pen, Council lived to establish a school on the very site where he and his mother were sold as slaves and to occupy as President, the proud "Green Botton Inn" that once had served as host to the great Andrew Jackson. The recent emphasis on vocational education in America has refocused attention upon a special type of higher institution of learning designated the "Land Grant College" taking its name from the grants of land made available by the federal government for its endowment and support, this institution was assigned a very definite mission. It was to emphasize primarily those branches of learning related to agriculture and mechanic arts. Council, while not discrediting traditional academic education, sensed the importance of vocational training and championed the cause on lecture platforms, through magazine articles and by the type of curricula developed in his own school. Here he established courses in trades as early as 1882. An address prepared by Council on the subject in need of educated labor in the South in 1888 received favorable comment and endorsements from statesmen, educational leaders, industrialists and literary critics. Booker T. Washington invited him to deliver this address before the State Teacher's Association of Alabama. The honorable N. R. Dawson, United States Commissioner of Education, wrote a letter of commendation and expressed a desire to publish the address in one of the bulletin's of the United States Office of Education. W. Cable, editor of the "Century" magazine, asked

Council's appraisal of higher institutions of learning in the South soliciting support from Northern philanthropy. The growth of the idea of a national program of vocational education was reflected in a second federal act of 1890 providing for the establishing of land grant colleges for Negroes in states supporting separate school systems. Council and his teachers had donated a part of their salaries for the purchase of an original site in Huntsville, Alabama and had promptly deeded the property to the state for educational purposes. With the selection of his school as the Negro Land Grant College, a new site with facilities for expansion was provided. Within the limits of his meager resources, Council provided a vigorous leadership for the A&M College of Normal, its new location for eighteen years, and brought the influence of great personalities to his campus. His memoirs show a personal, handwritten letter from Frederick Douglas endorsing his work. In 1895, Council carried his message in person across the Atlantic Ocean, speaking at the Queen's (Park) Congregational Church in London, he depicted the struggles and achievements of the Negro race using the inspired subject "Behold, I show you a Mystery." The great William E. Gladstone received him at his castle and arranged the visit to the British Parliament. Traveling across the English Channel, Council spent an hour in conference with his majesty, King Leopold of Belgium, discussing Negro education in America and the King's proposed educational program for African's in the Belgian Congo. Returning to America, Council continued his vigorous and militant leadership in the field of education as the school of which he was President continued to reflect his educational philosophy. If loyalty to a cause, identification of one's self with his purposes and the practice of self denial to achieve its accomplishments are qualities of leadership, truly Council was a great leader. And no history of Negro education in America is complete without a record of his life and works. As all true leaders, his reach was higher than his grasp and he died without seeing the realization of his dream but from the Rocky Mountain slope in North Alabama where he was laid to rest, there continues today the struggle toward the fulfillment of his high purposes and ideals in the field of Negro vocational Education.

William Hooper Council

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(adapted from "The Formal Index" May 8, 1909, Vol. 28)

BIOGRAPHY

William Hooper Council was born in Fayetteville, N. C., July 12, 1848. His parents were slaves, his mother belonging to a large family the representatives of which still live in old Fayetteville.

At an early age he, his mother and brother, because of financial losses on the part of a hitherto kind master, were sold to the traders. They spent many months in the famous Richmond Slave Pen from which they were finally sold into Alabama.

In his autobiography which is now in manuscript form, he gives an account of that strange intuition which in after years often seemed to guide him, in the attempt of the traders to separate him from his old and sick mother she being a burden which made a quick and profitable sale impossible. He was guided by unseen forces and the entire family came to Alabama, undivided. When the war broke out the family moved to Stevenson to the union army.

He remained there until after the close of the war, attending the first school for freed negroes opening in that section.

This school was taught by a quaker and throughout his life Pres. Council held his name in high veneration and delighted to refer to those days. When, because of lack of means, he had to leave school and go to work he continued to study, working for days for money to purchase a book and reading at night by the light of a pine knot. He often referred to these days as his days of study at "Pine Knot College."

Teachers were scarce in those days and as soon as he could work fractions he was in great demand as a teacher. He taught at Stevenson, Jonesville and was made principal of the Huntsville colored school.

Then when funds were appropriated for a Normal School for Negroes of the State, he was asked to take the Principalship of it. He did so; and this school has since grown into the Agricultural and Mechanical College.

Pres. Council had no easy task in his life's work. Enemies assailed him on all sides, doing their best to retard his work, but God was with him and when "God is with thee who can be against thee."

He early saw the need of industrial training for Negro boys and, with far seeing sagacity, advocated it in a paper read before the State Teacher's Association at Montgomery. His position on this question laid him open to the bitterest attacks which have continued by many even until the last few years, but soon the other far sighted leaders of the race saw the wisdom of his position and many followed after him.

But through it all with indomitable courage and will he pursued his course, even looking towards the betterment of his race.

His school grew and his wise direction gave to the state hundreds of useful citizens in black skins. But his work did not stop as an educator. He was a pacifist. Scenting the first signs of trouble between the races, his from tongue flowed the most convincing argument, and his pen, which wrote the strongest sentiments were ever ready to prevent trouble. He appealed to black folks, he appealed to white folks; and his appeals were heard.

Absolutely Fearless he expressed himself respectfully but forcefully for the best interest of the State and his race, regardless of the outcome as far as he himself was concerned. Pamphlet after pamphlet written by him has come to the eyes of the public in trying times appealing to the best in both white and black. But his work is done, and somewhere, away from sorrowing friends and vanquished enemies, away from the black boys and girls he loved so well, for whom he gave his life with a countless host of immortals who too has lived well he has joined the "Choir Invisible." of those immortal dead who live again, in minds made better by their presence; live in pulse stirred to generosity, in deeds of daring rectitude, in scorn for miserable aims that end with self, in thoughts sublime that pierce the night like stars, and with their mild persistence urge man's search to vaster issues." May he rest in peace.

William H. Council, for thirty-five years President of the Agricultural and

Mechanical College for Negroes located here and who more than any other one Negro did real pioneer work in the effort to establish the idea of industrial education for the masses of the race, was buried here last Wednesday just across the driveway from the beautiful Carnegie Library in the presence of an audience of more than 5000 people.

Never in the History of the South has so much honor been paid to the memory of a colored man born in slavery. White men Black men, White women Black women, all vied with each other to say something in honor of the man who labored and struggled against odds that his people might.

Some of His Views

There is a good negro element, and this element should be studied. If men go round looking for bad negroes they will find them; if they look for good negroes, they will find them. It depends upon what a man wants to see. It is unkind to take the criminal element in the race as representing the whole race. What honorable man would think of judging the French people, the British nation, the Indian nation, the Italian nation, or the German by the small criminal element among those people, or judge the virtue and honor of the American people by defaulting bankers, absconding state treasurer. Now these people are judged by their possible attainments in truth and honor, as represented by their highest class. The negro asks this, and nothing more.

As an orator the late William H. Council took first rank. He had an excellent flow of language and his command of words was extraordinary. His reasoning powers were coquet and clear as one would expect from a man having such a strong and incisive mind. He had too that convincing power that carries the audience with the speaker and which usually comes from strong, personal magnetism. The power that gave Prof. Council control of an audience was the same power that drew to him throughout his whole life a host of friends who were willing to make tremendous sacrifices for him and his work.

This power enabled him to tell a critical and perhaps opposing audience the most unpleasant facts and the audience would accept them good naturedly and even thoughtfully.

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