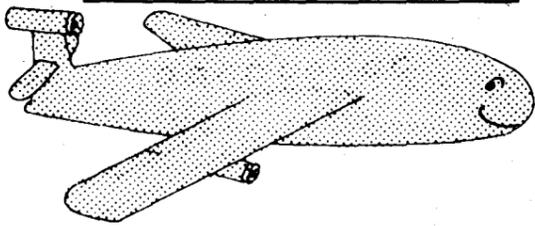


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Spaces getting scarce



Early reservations urged for travelers

BY SKIP VAUGHN

The shortage of air traffic controllers means less scheduled flights so soldiers need to get their reservations early for holiday travel, according to travel officials.

"We're not having any problems out here so far. Of course, the closer we get to the holidays, spaces will be harder to come by," said John Forney, manager of the Scheduled Airlines Traffic Office at Redstone.

"That's why they should get their requests in early," he added. "Reservations requested and confirmed, and tickets purchased."

The SATO office in Bldg. 112 makes reservations, fares the tickets and issues the tickets to civilians and servicemembers.

Nineteen airlines are offering a 50-percent discount furlough fare that all active duty military personnel may take advantage of with reserved seating. Service academy cadets and personnel traveling within seven days after their date of discharge from the military are also eligible. The discounts do not include family members.

"In some cases, military fare is not as cheap as some of the others," Forney said. "The rates we quote are the most economical for the GI."

Servicemembers can expect some delays because of the air traffic controllers shortage, traffic delays and bad weather, he said. "They need to give themselves some leeway on their return flights so they won't be AWOL."

Beginning Dec. 1, air carriers will reduce scheduled service to 77 percent of normal because of the air controllers' strike, according to the Military Traffic Management Command.

"Space is becoming tight right now," Forney said. "The sooner (reservations are made) the better. In certain areas, in certain destinations, spaces are hard to come by."

Many services are available to military members transiting airports around the country. The United Services Organization Inc. (USO) has lounges located in Atlanta, Chicago, Cleveland and Columbus, Ohio, Philadelphia, San Francisco, Seattle, St. Louis and Washington, D. C. national airport. The USO also has two overseas lounges at Honolulu, Hawaii, and Frankfurt, Germany.

Most airlines also have lounges at major airports around the country, including Delta and Eastern which offer a military lounge at Atlanta each year around Christmas.

Forney urges servicemembers not to make "duplicate reservations" — reservations through SATO and with an airline. "Because they're hurting the other guy," he said. "In some cases, they may just wind up not having any reservation at all."

Court orders open season

BY SKIP VAUGHN

A federal judge in Washington, D. C. late Nov. 18 ordered the Office of Personnel Management to have an "open season" for federal health insurance by Dec. 7.

OPM said, however, this is a "physical impossibility" and planned to appeal the decision.

"There was a court decision that will require us to have an open season beginning on or before Dec. 7 but we are appealing it," said John Scholzen, an OPM spokesman in Washington.

Printing and distributing brochures on the plans to all employees by Dec. 7, as ordered by the judge, is "a physical impossibility," he said. "Quite honestly, that's like telling us to walk on water."

OPM postponed the season for selecting plans under the Federal Employees Health Benefits program after negotiation problems between the government and the various plans. The government was trying to keep premium increases down to some "reasonable proportions."

The insurance plan sponsored by the American Federation of Government Employees union took the government to court over a proposed six and a half percent cut in insurance cost, Scholzen said.

The court ruled in favor of the union plan and that ruling is under appeal.

OPM then postponed open season indefinitely, the spokesman said, and two union plans took OPM to court over the postponement. He identified them as the National Treasury Employees Union and AFGE.

U. S. District Judge Aubrey E. Robinson Jr. ruled that there must be an open season by Dec. 7. In issuing his ruling, he also ruled that Blue Cross and Blue Shield, the largest plan under the program, should not have to agree to the six and a half percent cut in insurance costs.

"In saying we have to have an open season, the judge said since the Blues would be adversely affected by an open season because they took the six and a half cut, we were to go back with them (Blue Cross) to the point before they took the six and a half percent cut," Scholzen explained.

"We still don't know what the Blues will do if there's an open season."

OPM is seeking a temporary injunction against starting an open season during the appeal process.

Hatchett named PM of year

BY BOB HUBBARD

Hanging over Col. Monte Hatchett's office door at the Army Missile Command is the sign, proclaiming in bold red and blue letters:

"Through this door walks the best project manager in the United States Army."

His staff in the Multiple Launch Rocket System project office hung the sign last week after Hatchett received the 1981 Secretary of the Army Award for Project Management in Orlando, Fla.

Dr. J. R. Sculley, Assistant Secretary of the Army for Research, Development and Acquisition,

presented the award to Hatchett at the annual DARCOM Project Manager's Conference.

"This recognition is not just for me," Hatchett said this week, recalling that he was greatly surprised but honored by the award. "This recognition is for the whole MLRS team."

"I have about ninety two people who do a great job every day," he said, referring to the MLRS project office staff. "General Moore (Maj. Gen. Robert) has been a strong supporter, and the whole MICOM team has just been outstanding. Without

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'Exodus' begins Dec. 18

Classes at MMCS will stop Dec. 18 for the holiday season and will resume Jan. 7, according to the School Brigade's adjutant.

"Operation Exodus begins at 7 a.m. Dec. 18, and ends 6 p.m. Jan. 4. Students must sign back into the company before this deadline," said Maj. Ronald J. Smitherman.

The School Brigade staff will be working in conjunction with the finance and accounting office and the transportation office to see that Operation Exodus runs smoothly. "The brigade personnel office will process all requests for leave, and pass on to finance all requests for special mid-month pay," Smitherman said.

Personnel requesting special mid-month pay will be responsible for picking it up at finance prior to their departure. Students who normally receive mid-month pay will be paid as usual.

According to military pay branch of finance and accounting, soldiers on leave whose end-of-month pay goes direct to the unit, may get paid by taking their DA-31 to the nearest military installation finance office.

"Requests for plane reservations have been sent to the Scheduled Airline Transportation Office who

will make the reservations for all students," Smitherman added. "Tickets must be purchased by 4:30 p.m. Dec. 15, or they will be cancelled."

Commercial bus line tickets can be purchased up

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Happy Thanksgiving!

Redstone will observe this holiday with a traditional dinner and annual religious service. See page 10.

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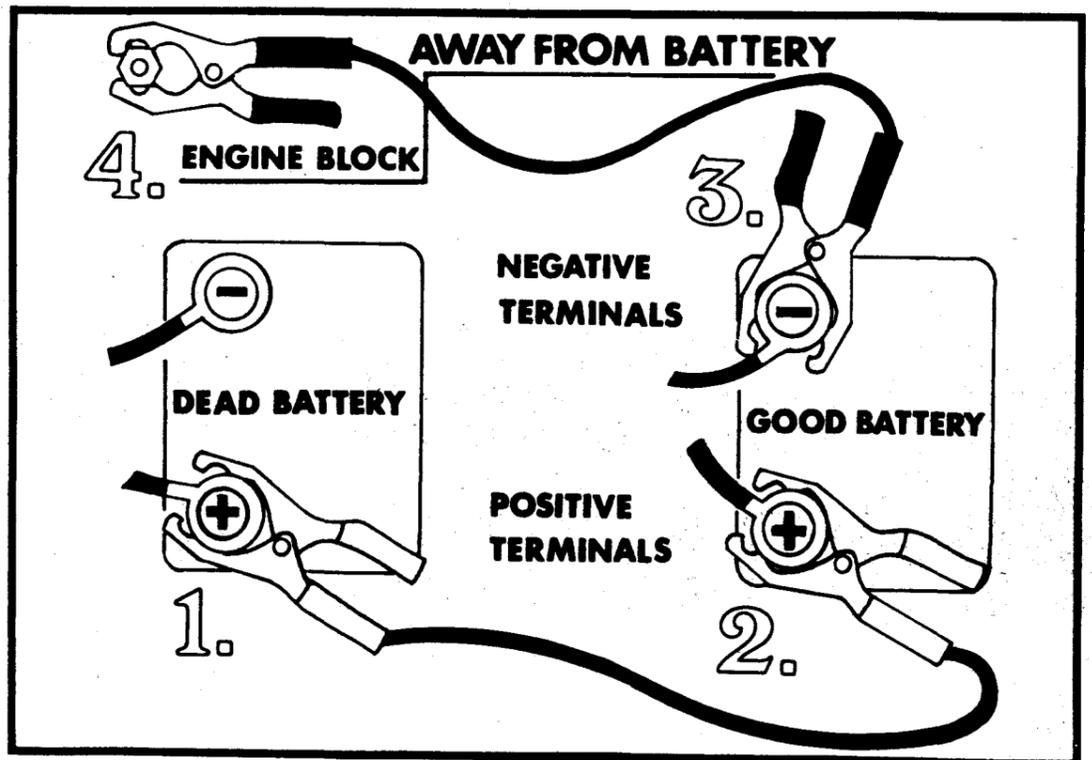
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Soldier found guilty by jury

A Redstone Arsenal soldier was found guilty of marijuana and property-related charges by a special court-martial jury last week.

Pvt. 2 Arthur L. Davis, 19, of 7th Student Company, was found guilty of one specification (count) of wrongful possession of marijuana, two specifications of wrongful sale of marijuana, three specifications of wrongful possession of marijuana, four wrongful sale of marijuana, destruction of property, larceny and unlawful entry.

The soldier from New York pleaded not guilty to all charges but was found guilty and sentenced by a six-officer jury. "The court did impose the maximum sentence allowable by law," said Capt. Joe Lampley, the prosecutor.

There is a procedure by which the records of the trial will be reviewed, Lampley said.

Judge (Lt. Col.) Ralph Lurker of Fort Benning presided at the trial by special court-martial Nov. 19-20. Capt. David J. Sneed was defense counsel.

Hospital offers parents' course

A Parent Medical Education Course focusing on self treatment of minor medical conditions for families will be offered here Saturday Dec. 5 from 9-11:30 a.m. at the post theater.

Parents attending the course will receive "guidelines in self treatment so that patients may comfortably and safely treat themselves and family members at home for minor medical conditions that do not require a physician," said Capt. Harold Drayton, patient assistance officer for Fox Army Community Hospital.

They will also be issued a Parent Medical Education Card certifying course completion and authorizing them to obtain certain medications without prior appointment from the hospital pharmacy.

The course will cover prevention and management of minor illnesses in addition to self treatment, Drayton said.

He describes the course as "an outgrowth of one of the newest concepts in medical care called patient participation in which the hospital and the patient work together to get the patient well and keep him well."

With self treatment of illnesses that can be treated at home, the hospital's medical resources "remain available to those who need the attention of a physician", Drayton said.

"We remain dedicated to maintaining the highest level of patient care and hope (the military community) will join us in this endeavor by attending this course and future courses in patient medical education," said Drayton.

To register for the Parent Medical Education Course call central appointments, 876-3247, or sign up at the family practice, pediatric or acute minor illness clinics.



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MPs advise safe holiday driving

Motorists should be aware of the dangers of driving on Redstone Arsenal as the holiday season approaches, according to military police.

"Lower temperatures cause icy roads, fog, and poor visibility which enhance the possibility of having a traffic accident," said 2nd Lt. Robert Rudolph,

MP admin officer. "These conditions also make the possibility of vehicle-deer accidents more real."

Another concern of MPs is the recurrence of accidents in arsenal parking lots. "Most of these accidents are the result of failure by drivers to properly look before backing out of a parking slot," Rudolph said. "As the shopping crowds become greater, motorists are encouraged to use caution in the Post Exchange area and in other areas where there might be a large number of people shopping.

"The military police would like to wish all motorists a very safe and happy holiday season," he added.

Gate hours

With the holiday season here and deer hunters entering and leaving Redstone Arsenal, people need to know the arsenal gate hours.

The Military Police provided this list:

— Gate 1, on Martin Road east, is open from 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. daily. One way incoming from 6:30-8 a.m. and one way outgoing from 3:30-5 p.m.

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— Gate 5, on Hansen Road, open Monday through Friday from 6-8:30 a.m. and 3-5:30 p.m. Closed holidays.

— Gate 7, on Martin Road west, open Monday through Friday from 6-8:30 a.m. incoming only and 3-6 p.m. outgoing only. Closed holidays.

— Gate 8, on Goss Road, open seven days a week, 24 hours a day.

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— Gate 10, on Patton Road, open from 4:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Monday through Saturday and 8 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Sunday. Closed on holidays.

Pines commemorate Yorktown battle

YORKTOWN, VA — Three white pine trees and a commemorative plaque were placed at the site of the battle of Yorktown Nov. 16 to memorialize the nation's victory here during the Revolutionary War.

Secretary of the Army John O. Marsh Jr. planted the trees and installed the plaque as "reminders of the dedicated work of these people." The three white pines were planted in front of the Yorktown national park's visitors center by Marsh during a day-long tree-planting and awards ceremony.

The Army Secretary also presented several awards to military organizers involved in the Yorktown bicentennial celebration held here Oct. 16-19. The four-day national event attracted more than 100,000 people during that period. (Arnews).

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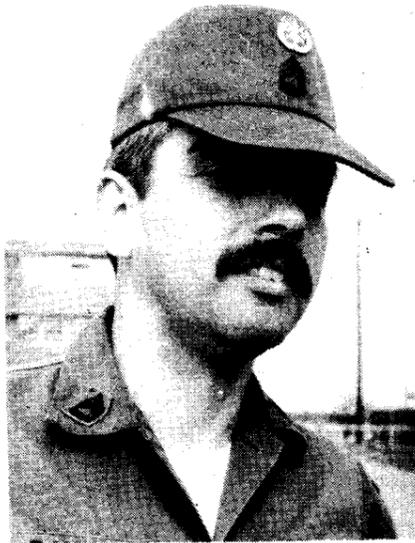
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What should soldiers be thankful for this Thanksgiving?



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Sp4 Pat Nordstrom, Co. A — "They should be thankful for having good health, our freedom, and the other things that we get everyday."



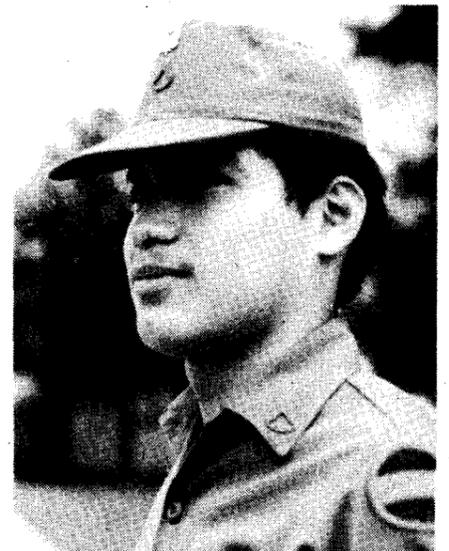
SSgt. Harry Hill, HHC — "I think that all soldiers should be thankful that they're living and have the opportunity to be with their families. I hope every soldier on this post has a happy Thanksgiving."



Pvt. 1 Patrick Kelly, 4th S. C. — "There's no war. It's nice to be getting the training to be ready for it, but it's also nice not to have people dying on Thanksgiving."



Pvt. 1 Eugene Fletcher, 7th S.C. — "They should be thankful that America has been through so many wars — the revolution, the Civil War, and the others — and still hasn't lost. We have the image and background of being the world's best fighting soldiers."



PFC Roland Chapa, 515th Ord. Co. — "First of all, the accomodations here are perfect — the food, the medical care, everything. They should be thankful they have a place to stay and that they're picking up a career. The thing I'm most thankful for is that I get to meet people from all over."

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BY SKIP VAUGHN

It doesn't happen very often but about once each year a moving van packed with property belonging to soldiers and government workers will catch fire and burn.

That's why transportation and legal officials urge servicemembers and civilians moving at government expense to protect their property. Entire shipments have been lost at sea or on the highway from fire, and heavily damaged from traffic accidents.

Recently, an entire shipment belonging to a young woman Marine was lost somewhere between her previous installation and Redstone Arsenal.

"An individual needs to keep a separate list, preferably pictures. You don't have to have them developed, just keep them in a safe place. That's the easiest way to take inventory," said SFC Paul Nydam, chief legal clerk with the Missile Command's legal office.

"If you want to go through the time and effort, you can take an alphabetical inventory," he added. "Just go from room to room and write down everything you own but the preferable way is to take pictures."

The government contracts the shipments out of commercial carriers. "The property owner has to keep real close observation and control over the carriers while they're packing their property," Nydam said.

He recommends that spouses of property owners also attend the required counseling session for people moving at government expense. The regulation requires that property owners attend.

"Orders will tell you to report to the transportation office for instructions on shipping your household goods or hold baggage — baggage that's shipped by air freight, by expeditious mode," Nydam said.

Spouses who do not attend the session may not know what the responsibilities are, he said, possibly resulting in major items being left off the inventory list.

"Also the inventory indicates the condition the property's in when it's picked up. And if the property owner does not agree with the carrier on the condition, the property owner needs to indicate it in the remarks," Nydam said.

"They (property owners) need to indicate it to the transportation officer and/or the claims officer, and that's before the shipment leaves," he added.

When the shipment arrives at its destination, Nydam recommends having the carrier unpack to check for damages and loss. He also advises property owners to keep copies of all documents that they sign.

"The only advice the servicemember should receive is from the transportation office or the claims



officer in regards to completing the documents or their responsibilities, and not from the carrier," Nydam said. "Any questions or problems arising during packing or unpacking should be immediately called to the attention of the transportation officer and/or the claims officer."

"Carrier performance should be closely monitored and reported to the transportation officer, also," he added.

Jerry Cobb, the packing inspector foreman for the household goods branch of RASA's transportation division, has this advice: Don't bring children to the counseling session because crying children are too distracting;

—Let the carrier pack any breakable items so the carrier will be liable for them;

—Make sure the inventory number is on every article and carton that leaves the residence;

—Be sure all forms are completed prior to signing them;

—Contact the destination transportation office upon arrival at the destination;

—Have all breakable items unpacked by the carrier and, if damaged, immediately call the destination transportation office.

"It's very important that the member not include any unauthorized household items in his household shipment," Cobb added. This includes

flammable items that can catch fire in a tightly-packed van.

"It doesn't happen very often but you'll average at least one van fire a year," he said. "It's extremely hot in there."

Barbara Vansandt, a packing inspector in the household goods branch, advises owners to check the inventory before and after delivery. She also advises calling the transportation office instead of arguing with the mover or carrier personnel.

The government has limits on the amounts it can pay property owners for losses. These limits include \$15,000 maximum allowable on a claim and \$1,500 maximum on a piece of furniture.

These are based on what the average soldier has but "doesn't cover high value items," according to George ShROUT, claims examiner in MICOM's legal office.

ShROUT recommends contacting various insurance agents and getting quotes from them. "You need actually the full replacement cost," he said.

Nydam, who has insurance on his property, explained "The best coverage is replacement value coverage and not the actual cash value."

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Reserve got a pay boost too

WASHINGTON — On an annual basis, the Army Reserve can mean over \$1,400 for a PFC and more than \$1,600 for a specialist four who join a Reserve unit after three years on active duty. In a couple of years, with promotion to E-5, that former active duty soldier can count upon \$1,950 or more each year from the Army Reserve.

Army Reserve paychecks are linked directly to active duty pay rates meaning that a typical private first class now earns \$73.50 for one weekend a month of Army Reserve training. A specialist four with three years experience, active duty or reserve, can count on \$102 a month. This is for just 16 hours duty with a reserve unit.

With the 16.5 percent pay raise added in October to the checks of junior NCO's, an E-5 with four years of service now makes \$116 for a USAR weekend and a staff sergeant with 10 years for pay purposes gets \$147. Senior NCO drill pay ranges from \$178 for an

E-7 at the 14-year point to \$284 for a sergeant major at the top of the scale.

Army Reserve officers saw a pay raise of 14.3 percent starting with October's training. Brand new second lieutenants start at \$141. But a general now can make \$672 for the average weekend.

A lieutenant who joins the USAR after three years of active duty can expect to receive \$212 a month before taxes. For a chief warrant officer, the USAR can mean \$151 to \$323 a month.

Reserve unit members usually receive slightly more than two months of full active duty pay for their 12 weekends and two weeks of annual training each year. And, many have the chance to make more money through additional training assemblies or active duty for training where they work on special projects for the Army.

During the two-weeks annual training, sometimes miscalled "summer camp", reservists receive basic allowance for quarters and subsistence if they are married or if food and quarters are not provided. They can receive the variable housing allowance and in special cases reservists even draw per diem.

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Alabama, Navy picked to win

BY SKIP VAUGHN

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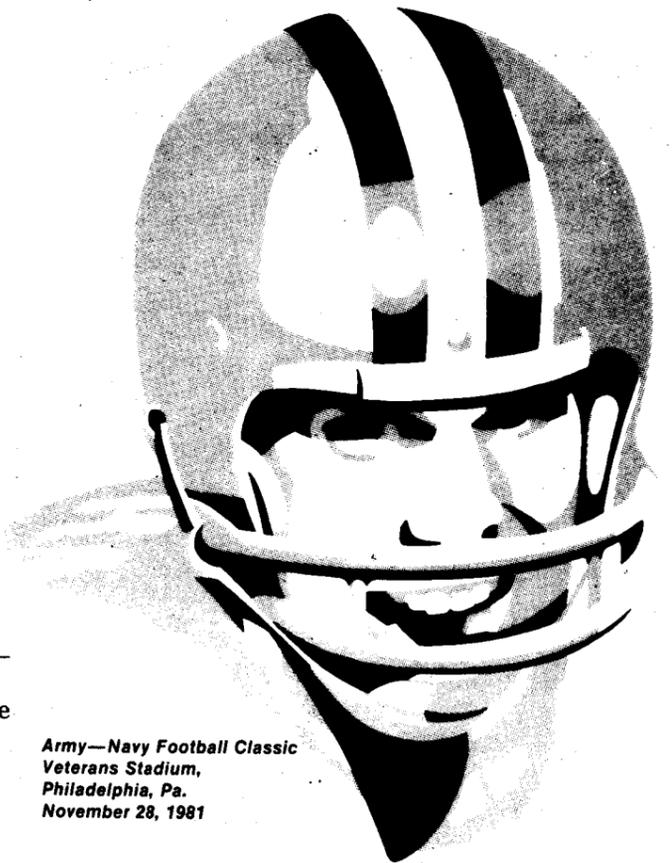
Pittsburgh, led by quarterback Dan Marino and a tenacious defense, hasn't lost a game. The Panthers' 10 victims include Illinois, Cincinnati, South Carolina, West Virginia, Florida State, Syracuse, Boston College, Rutgers, Army and Temple.

This week they take on arch-rival Penn State who was one of the five struck down by the number one jinx. Look for a new victim this time. This week's upset winner should be . . . Penn State.

Elsewhere, Alabama should deliver Bear Bryant his record 315th victory at the expense of rival Auburn.

Last week's prognostications brought this picker a 15-12 record, making his overall marks 174-75-5 for 70 percent. Here's another try at predicting winners in selected NCAA Division I games:

- Texas at Texas A&M — Texas by 14
- Arizona at Arizona State — ASU by 21
- Navy at Army — Navy by 14
- Alabama at Auburn — Bama by 14
- Florida State at Fla. — Fla. by 7
- Georgia at Georgia Tech — Ga. by 28
- Penn State at Pittsburgh — Penn State by 3
- Houston at Rice — Houston by 10
- Air Force at San Diego State — San Diego by 7
- Colorado State at Hawaii — Hawaii by 14
- Boston College at Holy Cross — Holy Cross by 7
- Notre Dame at Miami of Fla. — Miami by 10
- Oklahoma at Oklahoma State — Okla. by 3
- Lamar at Southern Miss — Southern by 35
- Vanderbilt at Tennessee — Tenn. by 7
- Louisiana State at Tulane — LSU by 10
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Major wins fun run

Robert W. Allen, a major with MMCS, set the pace for Saturday's three-mile "Fun Run," running the course in 15 minutes, 40 seconds.

Allen ran in the Men's 30-39 division. Other bracket winners in the men's division were: 13-under, Curry (29:20); 14-16, Miller (19:26); 17-29,

Patague (15:50); 40-44, Kirby (21:06); 45-49, McDougald (18:43); 50-59, Ramirez (20:06).

Women's division winners were: 13-under, Thomas (29:25); 18-24, Stoltz (25:25); 25-29, Havas (19:27); 30-34, Wuegrzen (24:30); 35-39, Cody (26:15); 40-over, Dooley (31:25).

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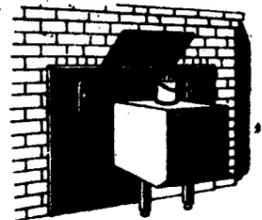
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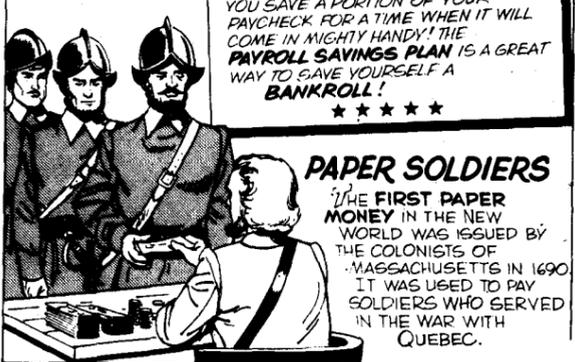
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The Golden Eagles' 7-8 year old team, coached by Ron Golden, won the local AYSO Region 160 playoffs, and traveled to Knoxville where they were awarded third place in competition with teams from Alabama, Tennessee, and North Carolina.

Two of the four Arsenal All-Star teams that entered the state tournament advanced to the finals where they fell to two local Huntsville teams. The 10-11 team defeated a Huntsville team to win the District 2 tournament and advanced to the State. There, they defeated teams from Birmingham and Mobile before bowing in the finals to Huntsville International in an overtime shoot out. The team was

coached by Clete Warman and Jeff Russell. The 12-13 team defeated Anniston and Dothan and lost in the State Final to Huntsville International 3-2. The team was coached by Tom Simcox.

Over 270 boys and girls participated in the Fall Soccer Program. They ranged in age from five thru 14, played on 18 different teams, and were coached by over 36 volunteers.

The Spring 82 Soccer Season will begin in March. Plans are underway for a coaches and referees clinic and a post-season RSA invitational tournament, involving teams from other military posts, such as Forts Rucker, Campbell, Benning, etc.

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Traditional dinner

The traditional Thanksgiving dinner will be served at the three military dining facilities here on Thursday.

"It's the biggest military holiday of the year in the dining facility," said CWO 3 Gerald Johnstone, chief of the food services branch. "This'll be done Armywide."

Usually on holidays, two of the three dining facilities are closed but all three will be open Thursday.

Soldiers stationed at Redstone will be served the Thanksgiving meal from 11 a.m. to noon; military families and guests will eat by reservation from 1 to 2 p.m.

"The cost this year increased 10 cents for the meal," Johnstone said. "So the cost has remained about the same."

Costs include \$2.15 for enlisted personnel; \$3.40 for officer personnel and adult dependents and guests; and \$2.30 for children under 12. "We'll feed 1200 to 1400 soldiers from 11-12 and about 400 military guests and dependents from 1-2," Johnstone added.

The Thanksgiving menu includes roast turkey, smoked ham, shrimp cocktail, gravy, dressing, mashed potatoes, sweet potatoes, salad, dessert and fruits.



Annual service

The annual Thanksgiving service at Redstone Arsenal will be held at the Post Chapel at noon Thursday.

Maj. Gen. Robert L. Moore, MICOM commander, is to open the service and Staff Chaplain (Col.) Delbert W. Gremmels will deliver the address. Lay leadership for the service will be provided by Col. Robert A. Parsons, Col. Joseph R. Cote and Col. Edward H. Hirsch.

Music will be performed by the combined Catholic and Protestant choir of the Post and Bicentennial Chapels, a brass ensemble from Huntsville High School, and a choral group from Johnson High School.

For more information, call Chaplain William F. Bateman 876-5751.

Holiday hours

Most Redstone Arsenal facilities will be closed on Thanksgiving Thursday.

All morale support activities will be closed except the gym, open 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; outdoor rec center, 4:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.; and the recreation center, 1:30 to 10 p.m.

The Post Exchange facilities will be closed. The Commissary will be closed Thursday and open Friday from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Redstone Federal Credit Union buildings 4200 and 3227 will both be closed. First Alabama Bank's arsenal branch is also closed Thursday.

Offices' Club facilities will be closed except for the Thanksgiving buffet 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. (reservations preferred). NCO Club facilities will be closed except for the dining room Thanksgiving buffet 1 to 3 p.m. (reservations accepted but not required) and the lunar lounge 11:30 a.m. to 9 p.m.

The Enlisted Club will be open from noon to 11 p.m. Thursday.

The package beverage store will be closed on Thanksgiving.

Commander's message

To all members of the Army family:

Thanksgiving is the special, traditional day for all of us to reminisce, celebrate, and give thanks for our many blessings.

Our pioneering forefathers who first celebrated Thanksgiving three hundred and sixty one years ago, had much to be thankful for: they were alive and, for the first time in their lives, they were free — free to speak, free to work as they pleased, and free to worship in places of their own choice.

Today, we must never take for granted the freedom for which our ancestors struggled and sacrificed — many of them with their lives — to attain and preserve.

We soldiers should be especially thankful for the sacred duty with which we are entrusted — the duty of safeguarding our nation's freedom!

Carol and I wish for each of you a meaningful and happy Thanksgiving.

Maj. Gen Robert L. Moore

Thanksgiving dates from 1621

BY JOHN WAGNER

Nov. 26, the fourth Thursday of the month, is Thanksgiving — a day of thanks that has its roots in the very beginnings of American history.

The first Thanksgiving was celebrated in late 1621, about a year after the pilgrims landed at Plymouth, Mass., as a three-day feast and period of thanks proclaimed by Gov. William Bradford.

The Indians and settlers feasted together and also competed in jumping and racing games and other such activities. A second such observance was held Nov. 23, 1623 and unlike the first, it had religious overtones.

During the American Revolution, the Continental Congress requested one day of thanks annually for victories won, according to "The American Book of Days" by George Douglas. In 1789 President George

Washington named Nov. 26 of that year a national day of thanks for adoption of the Constitution and called for another such day in 1795.

In 1815, President James Madison proclaimed a similar occasion in celebration of the ending of the War of 1812.

Sarah Josepha Hale, editor of the magazine "Godey's Lady's Book," wrote literature for over 20 years encouraging the creation of a national Thanksgiving day. President Abraham Lincoln responded on Oct. 3, 1863 with his Thanksgiving Proclamation.

Since then, every president has proclaimed this annual November occasion. All except Franklin D. Roosevelt set it for the fourth Thursday of the month. Congress finally established this date through a joint resolution in 1944.

Army will serve a lot of Turkey

Diners in Army dining facilities throughout the world are expected to eat 175,140 pounds of roast turkey on Thanksgiving, according to officials at the U.S. Army Troop Support Agency.

Other menu items which are diners' favorites and will be served are shrimp cocktail (26,270 pounds of shrimp); cranberry sauce (24,000 lbs.); pumpkin and mincemeat pies (18,600 each); fruit cake (21,890 lbs.); mixed, shelled nuts (8,750 lbs.) and assorted candy (13,130 lbs.).

Diners may select giblet gravy, savory bread dressing, mashed potatoes, glazed sweet potatoes, parsley buttered carrots, buttered Brussels sprouts, spring salad, Thousand Island dressing, cole slaw with vinegar dressing, butterflake rolls, butter, assorted fresh fruit, milk, tea, coffee and soft drinks to complete their meal.

Holiday meals are planned approximately two years in advance and the menu is distributed to dining facilities five to six months prior to the holidays so that the traditional food items can be procured. The amounts expected to be consumed are based on the average daily dining facility headcount of 218,292 diners.

Last year, 273,109 military personnel, their families and guests ate Thanksgiving dinner in Army dining facilities.

The Army considers the Thanksgiving meal its biggest meal of the year. Although turkey with all the trimmings is served at Christmas, many military personnel spend the holidays with families and friends and do not eat in the dining facility. On Christmas 1980, 146,714 persons ate in the dining facilities.

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Army honors helicopter champs

WASHINGTON — Members of the world-champion U. S. Helicopter Team were honored recently during ceremonies at Fort Myer, Va.

The Americans, represented by seven Army crews and one civilian crew, had won the team and individual championships in the fourth world helicopter championships held in Poland earlier

this year. Defeating the Federal Republic of Germany, Poland, U. S. S. R. and Great Britain, Army pilots brought home titles of world champion helicopter pilot and co-pilot.

Secretary of Defense Caspar W. Weinberger addressed the assembly. In his remarks he said the team had set standards of professional achievement that should be the aim of the entire defense establishment. He also noted their victory capped recent honors gained by this mechanized infantry in annual NATO exercises, U. S. tanks in Canadian competition and active and Reserve Army marksmanship in the Middle East and Europe — all of which, he said, means things are moving well in the Army.

Army Secretary John O. Marsh Jr., was on hand to present individual decorations to the champions, as well as to their coach and 32 other soldier-members of the team. (ARNEWS).

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Component doesn't matter in rating chain

WASHINGTON (ARNEWS) — The OER rating chain for active and reserve component officers was changed as of Oct. 20, 1981.

As stated in an immediate-action interim change to AR 623-105, the policy change now integrates OER rating chains without regard to the component affiliation of the rated officer and other members of the chain, including the senior rater.

According to officials of the U.S. Army Military Personnel Center, the change allows commanders more flexibility in setting up rating chains to correspond as closely as possible to the actual chain of command.

As an example of how the new policy would work, Milpercen officials say an active component officer

serving as platoon leader with a USAR company could be rated by his or her reserve company commander, with the reserve battalion commander serving as the senior rater.

Another example of the change: a USAR officer serving in an active guard reserve status on the Department of Army staff normally would be rated by an active component branch chief, while an active component division chief would be the senior rater.

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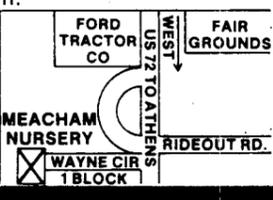
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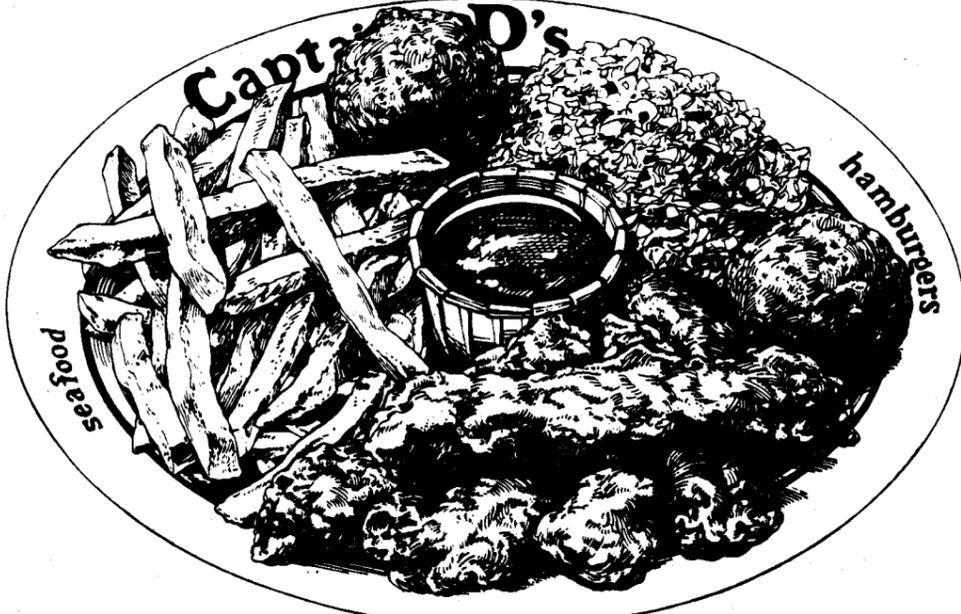
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that support, we wouldn't be where we are."

Hatchett said the MLRS program has a strong and capable prime contractor in Vought Corporation. "They've really performed, done an outstanding job," he said.

"And don't forget our three dedicated partners in Great Britain, West Germany and France," he said, naming the other countries involved in the cooperative development of a standard NATO rocket. "They are doing a great job and I believe ours is the most successful multi-nation partnership in the Army."

"MLRS is a team effort and I'm fortunate enough to have been selected the team leader."

In winning the award, Hatchett was cited for "... superb management as project manager which has kept the program within established schedule, cost and technical performance goals. As international program coordinator, his leadership and guidance

resulted in the successful fulfillment of all multinational agreements and arrangements."

MLRS, planned for fielding in the early 1980s, is a free-flight artillery rocket system that consists of a 12-round launcher mounted on a highly mobile, tracked vehicle. Rockets can be fired one at a time or in rapid ripples.

A native of Reed, Okla., Hatchett holds a degree in mathematics and a master's in Mechanical Engineering from Oklahoma State. He also is a graduate of the Command and General Staff College and the Industrial College of the Armed Forces.

In other assignments here, he was Project Manager for Chaparral, TSQ-73 "Missile Minder", Kuwait-Jordan project office, and Director of Metrology and Calibration Center. He also was assigned earlier with the Missile and Munitions Center and School and Pershing Project Office.



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31-504 QUANTITATIVE METHODS FOR MANAGERS . MW 6:50-9:00 p.m.
 A survey of quantitative methods for managerial decision-making. Instructor: Raymond C. Watson, Jr., M.S., M.S.E.; Southeastern Institute of Technology.

34-642 OPTICAL PROCESSORS TT 6:50-9:00 p.m.
 A study of optical effects and devices applied to signal and data processing. Instructor: Peter D. Poulsen, D.Sc., Adjunct Systems, Inc.

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New personnel chief

WASHINGTON — Raymond J. Sumser has been selected as the new director of civilian personnel for the Department of the Army.

A graduate of the University of Utah, with a degree in English, Sumser joins the DA staff after serving as principal deputy assistant secretary of personnel administration, Department of Health and Human Services.

Sumser succeeds the present Army civilian personnel, director, Fredric Newman, Jan. 4, 1982. (ARNEWS)

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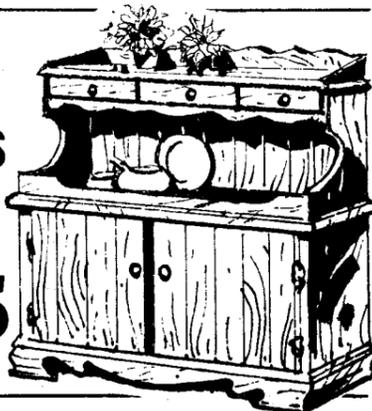
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200th Black Hawk received by Army

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The UH-60A is designed primarily as a tactical assault helicopter for delivery and movement of an 11-man infantry squad in high threat combat conditions worldwide. It has a cruise speed of 145 knots and can fly non-stop for 2.3 hours.

Black Hawk number 200 will be assigned to the 1/17th Air Cavalry Squadron, 82nd Airborne Division, Fort Bragg, N. C.

In addition to the 1/17th Air Cavalry Squadron, the aircraft are being used by the 101st Airborne Division (air assault), Fort Campbell, Ky., other 82nd Airborne Division elements at Fort Bragg, 9th Infantry Division, Fort Lewis, Wash., combat aviation companies of the 24th Infantry Division (mechanized), Fort Stewart, Ga., and aviation units at Fort Benning, Ga. Black Hawks are also assigned to Fort Rucker, Ala., for pilot training and Fort Eustis, Va., for maintenance training.

By the end of 1981, a total of 22s of the new utility helicopter will have been delivered to the Army. (ARNEWS)

Drug abuse books new at library

New books on alcohol and drug abuse have been added to the collection of the Missile and Munitions Center and School's technical library.

"We had some before and we've added to the collection. Human Resources have given us one copy of all their pamphlets which we have available for people to read," said Patricia Johnson, a clerk-typist at the library.

The 34 new books on chemical or substance abuse were purchased by the MMCS technical library and began arriving in October.

EEO counselors are commended

Six MICOM EEO counselors were presented letters of commendation during a meeting Friday with the commanding general.

The letters from Maj. Gen. Robert L. Moore commended the counselors for unselfish devotion, hard work, professional competence and other traits that "have been cause for many favorable comments from all who came in contact with you."

Receiving letters were Lola Spearman, Materiel Management; Michael Sales, Legal Office; John

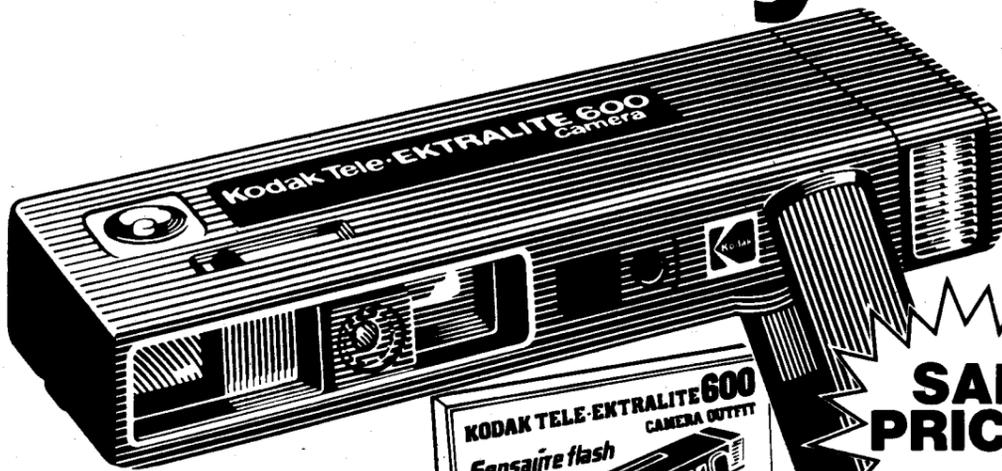
"Some of them do not deal directly with alcohol or drug abuse," Johnson said. "They deal with emotions and coping, effective communicating, this kind of thing also."

The library in Bldg. 3323 is open from 7 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday and from 7 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Friday. "It's for all military personnel and their dependents, retired military and for civilians assigned to MMCS," Johnson said.

Jones, Hawk Project; Patricia Hawkins, Missile Systems Readiness; Sharon Hall, Hellfire; and Ruth Fagan, Army Missile Laboratory.

The letters were presented at "a special meeting with supervisors to discuss the valuable service EEO counselors provided to MICOM," according to EEO Specialist Stella Moore.

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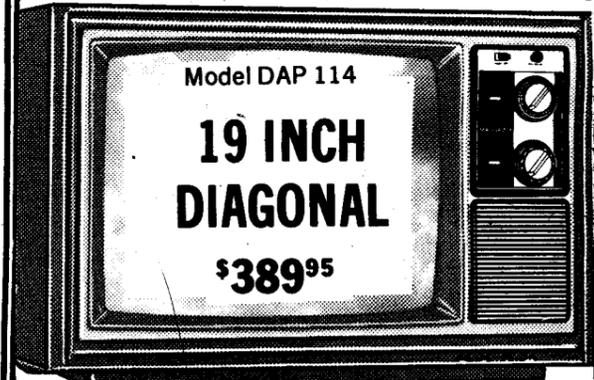
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Officer's course takes more writing

There's an expanded writing requirement this year for officers signed up with the Command and General Staff College to begin studies through correspondence or through the U. S. Army Reserve schools program.

No longer can you get by with the old standard of a 750- to 1,000-word paper on a military subject. With the advent of the 1981-82 school year, and as a result of the Army's renewed emphasis on writing skills, the requirement now is for a 500- to 750-word argumentative paper plus a 1,000- to 1,500-word staff paper. This change parallels a similar one in the college's in-resident curriculum.

Students already enrolled in phases III and V of the command and general staff officer course with USAR schools and those students having already passed the writing requirement through correspondence are exempt from the change.

According to Col. William T. Coffey, the college's director of extension training management, phase I students must submit the argumentative paper by May 31, 1982. He notes that one student in five fails the requirement on the first submission, so you'll have until Oct. 1, 1982, to pass.

For students enrolling now, the second paper (staff paper) would have to be turned in for a passing grade by Oct. 1, 1983, so that they can proceed to phase V.

More than 10,000 officers are enrolled in the course through extension courses and USAR schools. The active Army accounts for 4,350 of these, with 4,275 USAR and 1,800 National Guard officers enrolled. About 100 allied officers and numerous officers from other U. S. services are also enrolled. (ARNEWS)

Still no refund of parking fees

WASHINGTON — Federal employees who paid to work their cars in government-controlled parking spaces from November 1979 to April 1981 are still waiting to see if their fees will be refunded. The parking fee case is still being considered in the court, according to the U. S. Attorney's Office.

Parking fee collections were suspended on Mar. 14, 1981. The U. S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia refused on Mar. 13 to stay a previous

decision and order by a district court prohibiting the assessment of parking fees.

Since then, claims have been filed for more than \$14 million by federal employees hoping for a refund. Officials point out this figure is subject to change as litigation proceeds.

Oral arguments were heard on Sept. 21 but the court has yet to make a decision. (ARNEWS)

Family practitioners coordinate health care

The family practice clinic at Fox Army Community Hospital is to "assist you in coordinating the care of the entire family," according to Fox Hospital officials.

In response to "numerous questions" in recent weeks, hospital officials issued a prepared statement on family practice policy.

"Family practice is considered a primary care area of the hospital; this means that this clinic is the primary portal of entry into the health care system for all members of families that have an assigned family practice physician," officials said.

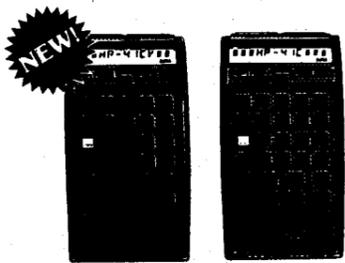
"The pediatric clinic on the other hand is considered a specialty clinic which is designed to

receive patients by way of consultation as needed," they said.

The hospital's family practitioners are residency-trained and have been certified by the American Board of Family Practice. They are "specialists" in common illnesses and are trained to "care for and manage 95 percent of the illnesses which patients present," officials said.

"The concept of whole health care to which the family practitioner subscribes means health care of the entire family," they said. "Family practice is not there to stand in the way of your making a free choice but rather to assist you in coordinating the care of the entire family."

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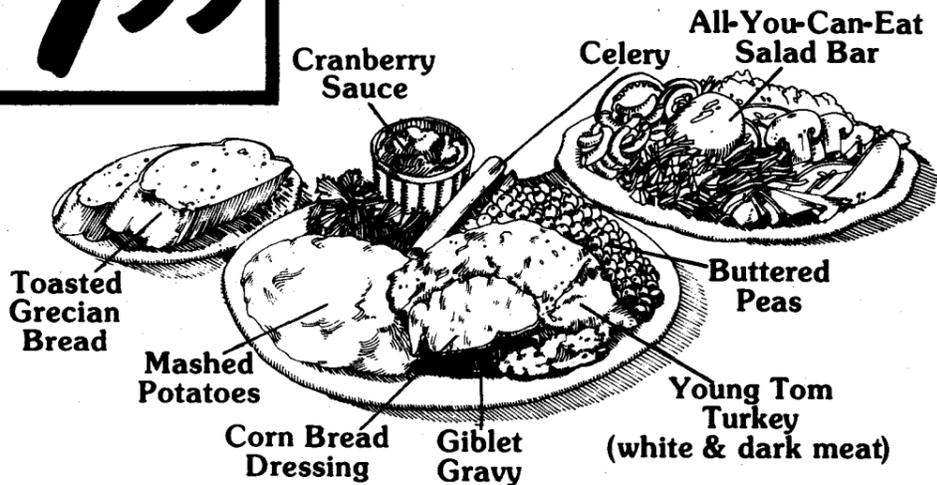
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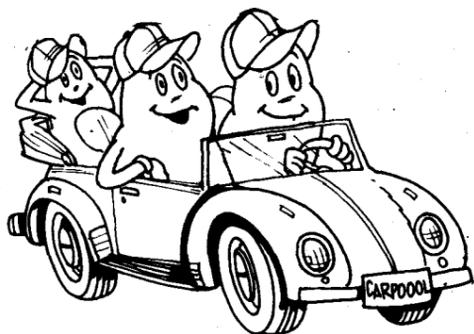
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Women's month seminars

Federal Women's Month seminars are held at the Rocket Auditorium, Bldg. 7120, from 8:30-11:30 a.m. The Rev. Luther Kramer will discuss "Overcoming oppression, suppression and depression" on Monday, Nov. 30. The session will be repeated Tuesday, Dec. 1. Kramer is director of The Key, Center for Creative Living and Spiritual Growth in Huntsville.

Civic center brochures

Effective immediately, all offices and activities requesting brochures, pamphlets, etc, from the Civic Center will have to place a request through the Army Community Services office. Only designated personnel from the ACS office are authorized to pick up items from the Civic Center. You can call your request in weekdays from 2-4 p.m.

Radar report

Military police will be operating radar on the arsenal at the following locations, Nov. 27-Dec. 2. No specific areas are designated for radar Thanksgiving Day. MPs make the list available as a service to encourage drivers to voluntarily obey speed limits.

Friday, Nov. 27
7:00 a.m.-8:30 a.m. — Goss Road. 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. — South Housing Area. 3:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m. — Buxton Road.

Monday, Nov. 30
7:00 a.m.-8:30 a.m. — Rideout Road. 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. — Martin Road. 3:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m. — Housing Area.

Tuesday, Dec. 1
7:00 a.m.-8:30 a.m. — Goss Road. 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. — Martin Road. 3:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m. — Vincent Road.

Wednesday, Dec. 2
7:00 a.m.-8:30 a.m. — Rideout Road. 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. — Martin Road. 3:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m. — Vincent Road.

Based on last weeks accident rates motorists are most likely to have a collision at the intersection of Patton and Hercules and the Post Exchange parking lot. Extra caution is urged in these areas.

Tree lighting

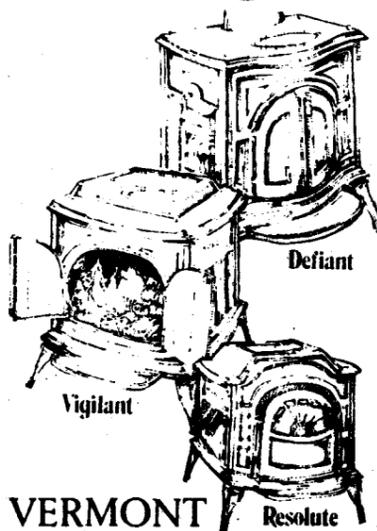
A Christmas tree lighting ceremony is planned for all military and civilian members of the Officers Club at 5 p.m. Dec. 2. There will be a cash bar at "happy hour" prices, free cocktail buffet and a Christmas carol sing-a-long. Maj. Gen. Grayson Tate is to light the 10-foot-tall Christmas tree in the grand ballroom.

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to 60 days before they're used. Smitherman recommended that students take advantage of this to preclude any rate increase for the holidays.

Brigade will be providing shuttle buses Dec. 18, from the EM Club parking lot to the airport and bus terminals. Shuttle buses will also be provided Jan. 4, from the airport to the arsenal. "Personnel taking commercial buses will be responsible for returning to the company on their own," added Smitherman.

Permanent party personnel must submit their requests for holiday leave, DA-31, by Dec. 4. "All permanent party soldiers are required to 'physically' sign in and out on the dates specified on their DA-31s," Smitherman said. "Signing in and out by phone during the holiday season will not be permitted."

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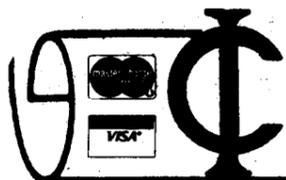
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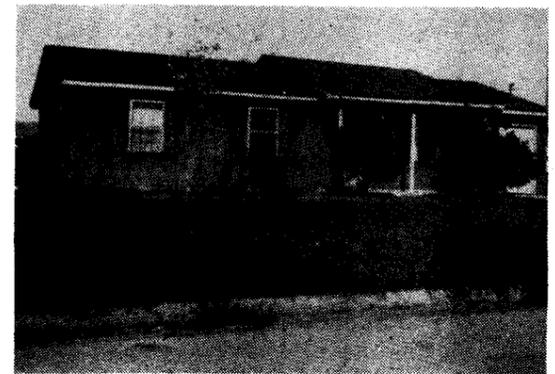
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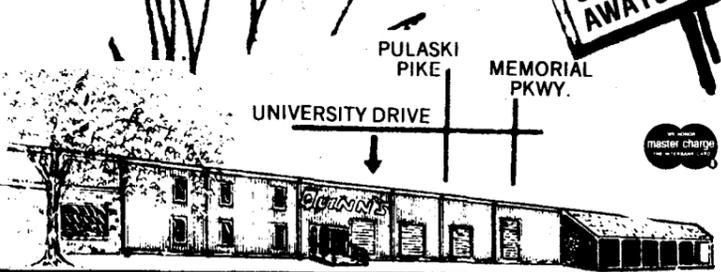
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