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Countries seeking proposals for MLRS warhead

BY BOB HUBBARD

The United States, Great Britain, West Germany and France are soliciting proposals from industry for the cooperative development of a terminal guidance warhead (TGW) for the Army's Multiple Launch Rocket System.

The four countries released requests for proposals on Dec. 7 outlining system requirements and asked industry for detailed approaches to satisfy those requirements.

Contractors must submit their proposals by April 30, 1984.

"Plans are for the four countries to share in both the military and economic benefits of co-development and production of the terminal guidance warhead," said Col. Malcolm O'Neill, MLRS project manager at the Missile Command.

"Contractors will be required to establish multinational teams at the prime, and first tier subcontractor levels, to insure the equitable sharing of the TGW development work among industries of the four countries."

MICOM has been designated by the four governments as contracting agency for the TGW program, and the MLRS project office, which includes representatives from all four countries, will manage the program.

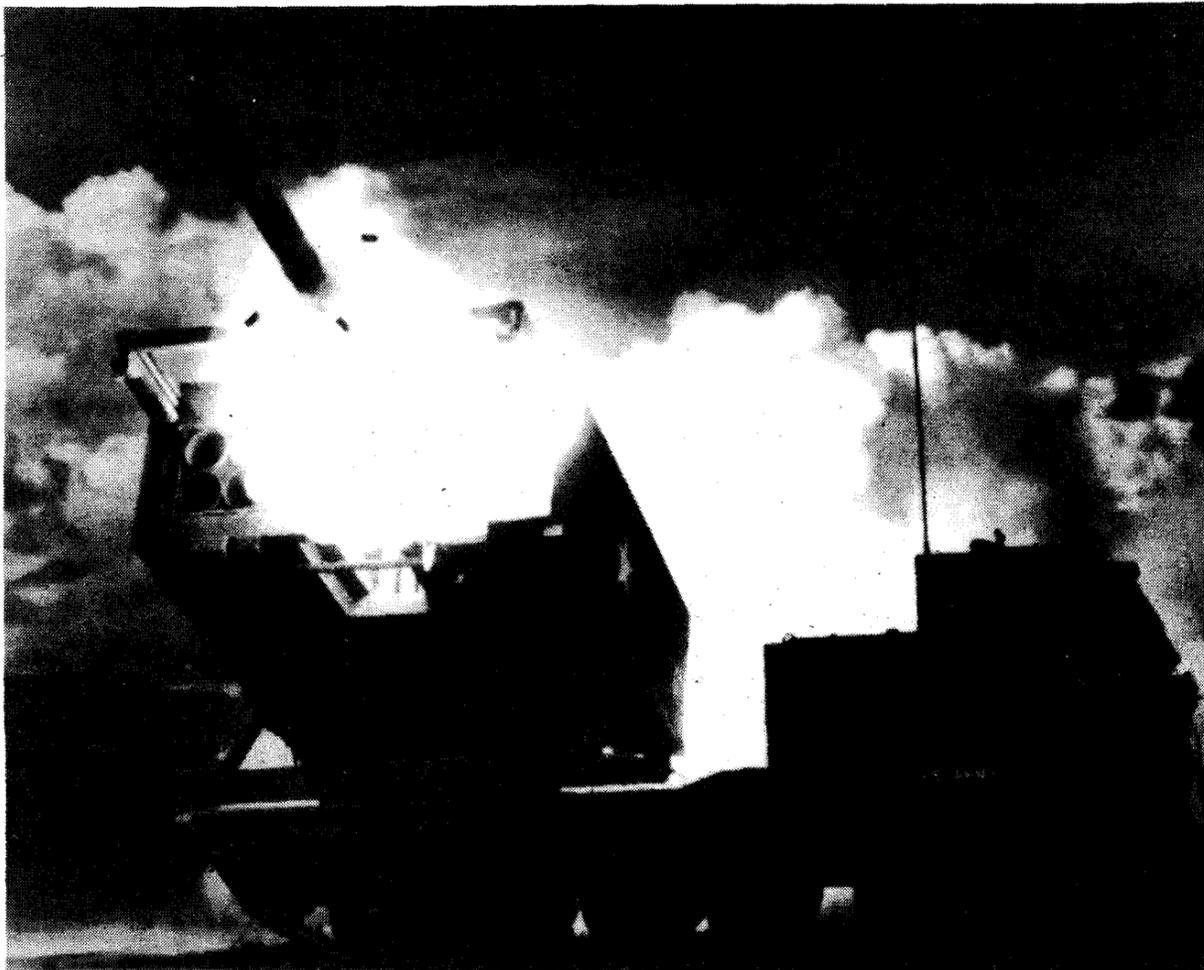
TGW is the latest of the three warheads being developed for the free flight artillery rocket which is currently being deployed with the U.S. Army and will soon join the arsenals of France, Germany, Italy and the United Kingdom.

In addition to TGW, other warheads for MLRS include a scatterable anti-tank mine developed by Germany and a dual purpose warhead for use against light materiel and personnel.

TGW will contain several terminally guided submunitions capable of detecting and destroying targets such as tanks, armored personnel carriers and self propelled artillery.

MLRS consists of a 12-round launcher mounted on a highly mobile, tracked vehicle and can fire rockets one at a time or in rapid ripples.

Under a memorandum of understanding signed in



MICOM has been designated contracting agency for the terminal guidance warhead for MLRS, shown here during a test firing.

1979 by the U.S., UK, West Germany and France, MLRS is being cooperatively developed as a standard NATO rocket. Italy joined this consortium in July, 1982, but is not participating in TGW.

The joint program strengthens the NATO alliance, reduced weapon development costs for each country through the cooperative effort, and enables the countries to share production benefits.

Edge commands calibrators, Shepard new chief of staff

BY SKIP VAUGHN

Col. James Edge took command of the group of Army calibrators last week and former commander Col. George Shepard left to become MICOM's new chief of staff.

The change of command ceremony for the Test, Measurement and Diagnostic Equipment (TMDE) Support Group was held Thursday in the post gymnasium before an audience of about 150. Among the onlookers was Col. Malcolm O'Neill who left the position of chief of staff to become project manager for the Multiple Launch Rocket System.

"I'm just tickled by the whole thing. I'm sorry to be leaving the job as chief of staff. It was a great job, learned a lot of things, but I'm proud to be a project manager," O'Neill said. "And I'll be working with the same people; just down the hall."

In the ceremony Lt. Gen. Donald Babers, deputy commanding general for materiel readiness for the Army Materiel Development and Readiness Command, told the audience the Army is "very proud" of its accomplishments in calibration over the last three years.

"I want to compliment you Col. Shepard on a very successful command tour. We look for bigger and better things and that's why you've been accepted to be chief of staff at the Missile Command," Babers said.

"Col. Edge I want to wish you the best of luck in your responsibilities. I know you'll fit in well and do a good job."

Shepard assumed command of TMDE Support Group on Oct. 30, 1981. He came here from the Tank Automotive Command where he was director of maintenance at the National Maintenance Point.

A native of New London, Conn., Shepard entered the Army in July 1958 after receiving a regular Army commission from Texas A&M.

"Since the command I've gained a deep appreciation for the importance of the TMDE readiness for the Army," Shepard said. "The past two years have been marked by change...This has been done by the hard work of our civilian/military team at all levels."

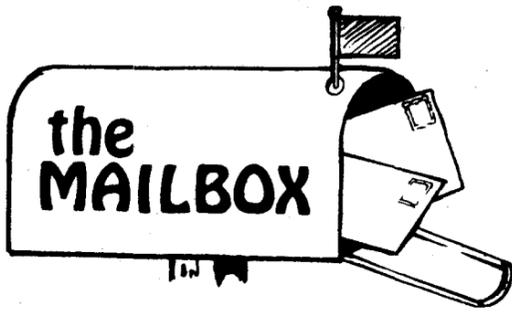
"We have moved from an organization subordinate

to MICOM to a command that answers directly to DARCOM headquarters," he said. "It's been a privilege to command the TMDE Support Group...I wish Col. Edge and the group the best of luck as they meet further change in TMDE management and structure in the Army."

Edge, 48, was formerly the executive assistant to the director of readiness at the Materiel Development and Readiness Command. The Providence, R.I. native is a graduate of Providence College where he obtained his commission. His military training includes the Ordnance Officer Advanced Course, Command and General Staff College, and the Industrial College of the Armed Forces. He and his wife Evelyn have two daughters.

"Evelyn and I are proud to join this outstanding team," Edge said.

"I dedicate the group to the continued outstanding support that you've rendered to your customers in the past."



Commissary prices

Editor:

This letter is to call attention to a practice of shoddy and deceptive pricing policies at the commissary. Recently the store ran a discount sale on the Ocean Spray Grapefruit Juice in the 3 pack fruit package. The price displayed, both on the juice pack and the sale card, was \$.49 and there were no additional prices listed. The remaining shelf packages had the same price sticker with no other price labels to be seen.

When the checker rang my items she stopped and questioned another checker concerning the price. When I informed her the price was right, as there was an advertised sale sign calling attention to the price cut, she insisted the sale was a holdover from the previous month and, as the front office price book was now listing the item for \$.95, that was the price she was obligated to charge regardless of what the package and sale sign said. I find this practice unfair.

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This means you only have until the end of the year to file claims for treatment and services last year (between Jan. 1 and Dec. 31, 1982).

A further word of caution—if you got care in 1982 and haven't filed a claim with CHAMPUS yet, your claim must be at your state's CHAMPUS claims processor by Dec. 31 of this year. If you don't know where to send the claim, contact the Health Benefits Advisor at the nearest military installation for more information. If you received care in 1983, your claim doesn't have to be in until the end of 1984. On the other hand, the sooner you file, the sooner CHAMPUS can pay its share of the allowable charges.

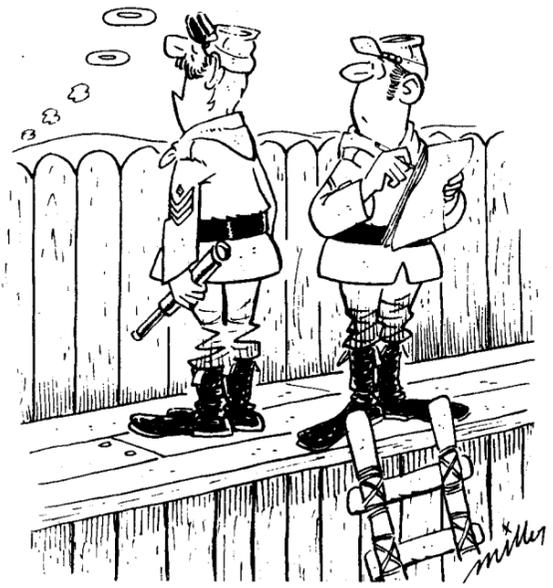
Before you call your CHAMPUS claims processor,

First, the aisle checker at the next register confirmed someone had questioned the price that morning, I went into the store that evening, and I feel they had more than enough time to rectify what they termed incorrect pricing. If I had the hassle at 5 o'clock, I can assume other customers, picking the item from the shelves all day long, encountered the same problem. With them obviously questioning the price as I had, why wasn't the sale sign simply taken down and the package prices changed? After all, a shopper should not be expected to become a mind reader to suit the commissary personnel's convenience.

Second, more than once I have picked up an item with more than one price label. At Krogers, Albertsons, or any other grocery store, the lower price would be the one that is binding. The commissary feels no obligation to uphold this policy and I often see customers understandably arguing the point with checkers. With prices fluctuating so drastically from month to month, who can really be sure what's what? The store is not operating ethically.

The commissary needs a uniform and precise pricing procedure. If the staff cannot efficiently and adequately stamp a product, the lower price should prevail. When a sticker price and a sale sign agree on the aisle, that should be the price charged until all prices—shelf packages, sale boards, and management price lists concur. It is not fair to pick up an item on the aisle only to be charged, or obligated to pay, twice as much at the check-out. This situation needs to be rectified. Thank you.

Vanessa S. Thurman



"... Indian scouts arriving... have donuts ready..."

Area designated for cutting Christmas trees

A cedar grove at the edge of Madkin Mountain has been set aside for cutting free Christmas trees this year.

The tree-cutting area is north of Marshall Road and east of Toftoy Throughway and has been marked with orange flagging for easy recognition.

Trees may be cut for use in offices and dayrooms and soldiers on active duty may cut them for personal use.

Trees along the edge of the road and those over eight feet high should not be cut.

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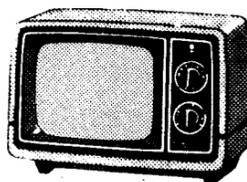
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Indian movie has local scenes

A television movie on early Alabama Indians filmed partly at Redstone Arsenal will be shown tonight at 8 p.m. on the Alabama Public Television Network, channel 25 locally.

The movie, entitled "Lost in Time: Early Alabama Indians," includes scenes shot on the arsenal early this year on the east side of Bradford Mountain along Indian Creek in test area I.

The arsenal scenes include a limestone bluff shelter in the mountain used by Indians and scenes of the creek area below where Indians lived for many generations.

The film's producers chose the arsenal location for filming because many aspects of its appearance are relatively unchanged since prehistoric times.

Indian presence in many Tennessee Valley locations including the arsenal has been documented back 10,000 years to the paleolithic period. A variety of arrowhead from that period discovered here is known archaeologically as the "Redstone point."

Produced by Auburn University's television department, the film traces the story of Alabama's prehistoric Indians, beginning with their arrival on the continent via the Bering Straits land bridge perhaps 40,000 years ago. It follows the Indians into Alabama and tells about their life in the state up until the arrival of Hernando DeSoto in 1540. "It shows how they lived, what they wore, how they survived and hunted," said Maryanne G. Culpepper, producer and director of the film for Auburn Television.

She said the film shows that the Indians "adapted amazingly well" to the environment, even though their existence seems simple and crude by modern standards.

Culpepper said the movie was filmed throughout the state, notably at the Mound State Monument archaeological site in Moundville south of Tuscaloosa, but most of the "scenic shots" were done in north Alabama locations.

North Alabama locations filmed, in addition to the arsenal, include Russell Cave National Monument at Bridgeport, the Scott-Worley bluff shelter near Florence, Bankhead National Forest, Bucks Pocket State Park and several Tennessee River and Wheeler basin locations.

Selected parts of the movie were previewed Nov. 19 at an Alabama Archaeological Society meeting in Anniston attended by A.J. Wright, a past president of the society who works at MICOM's Management Information Systems Directorate. "It was real good very professionally done," said Wright of the previewed movie.



INDIAN CREEK and a limestone bluff shelter on the arsenal appear in the movie.

Degree programs offered here match military experience

The extension office here for Athens/Calhoun College offers service members a variety of degree programs that match or enhance military experience.

For example, Athens offers a bachelor of science degree in Instrumentation and a nondestructive testing program. According to Robert McCall, coordinator for Business Programs for Athens State College, these programs would enhance the skills of military people in metrology and calibration, although they are not specifically set up for military like the Missile and Munitions Technology degree is. The coordinator for scientific technology is Dr. Don Payne.

There is also a Comprehensive Studies degree (bachelor of science). This program has an emphasis on technical and vocational education and is specially designed for military and civil service instructors at Redstone.

"This program just started in September 1983. We had a similar program called Vo Tech," McCall said. "In the old program each person had his experience evaluated separately, now we have a standard evaluation. Dr. Gene Ermert, professor at Athens State, is head of the comprehensive degree program."

McCall pointed out that in the business area, upper

level military managers can receive credit toward a degree for their military experience. The maximum credit given is 96 quarter hours. The school goes by the recommendations of the American Council of Education is awarding credit for experience.

"There are about 16-18 people enrolled now. We have some warrant officers as well as NCO's in the course," said McCall.

Any civilians interested in any of the extension programs at Athens should coordinate with staff and faculty and military personnel should coordinate with the education center to arrange for an evaluation with the extension office here on post.



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Buildings targeted for energy projects



BY GINGER STEPHENS

Office temperatures should be more consistent and comfortable for workers here when the facilities engineers complete their energy renovating projects.

By installing metal siding and insulation, replacing old windows, and blocking up a few unneeded windows, facilities engineers plan to increase occupant comfort in offices, conserve energy, and reduce maintenance costs.

Present construction standards of many buildings here do not meet the Department of Defense criteria for energy efficiency.

"Metal siding will not only help meet energy goals and add to comfort but extend the life of the building," said Dr. Bobby Mullinix, chief engineer of Facilities Engineers.

The siding reduces heat loss in the winter, conserves

cool air in the summer, and has a paint life expectancy of 20 years.

The older buildings like 7437, 7446, 7442, 7444 and 112 are under contract to install siding and replace or take out windows.

"In most cases where there is a window they'll still have a window but it may not be as big," said Mullinix. "If there are five windows side-by-side, we may cover two but not more than three. Generally we don't even cover windows."

Covering a window involves replacing it with the same construction material and paint to make it blend with the present architecture of the walls.

Buildings that have already been made energy efficient are 5681, 7111, and 3651. A study on how to make building 4488 more energy efficient is underway but plans for energy renovation have not been made.

"At some point in time we're going to have to make

all these buildings more energy efficient to meet the Department of Army goals," said Mullinix.

Old buildings, replaced by new buildings, are often not torn down but renovated for energy efficiency and occupied. New buildings and the increase of computers are adding to the present energy use so the offset will have to come from energy efficiency, according to Mullinix.

"If we don't make some drastic changes we're going to get an increase. With additions we don't even break even," he said.

The Army target for energy reduction, starting with a 1975 baseline, is 20 percent by 1985 and 40 percent by the year 2000. To meet this goal energy needs to be further reduced to absorb the arsenal's new growth and added requirements for the future.

"We have to do everything we can to make this a successful program," said Mullinix.

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Driver safety van coming here for awareness week

BY SKIP VAUGHN

A driver safety van from the Alabama department of education is to come here Friday as part of an observance aimed against driving under the influence.

President Reagan signed a public law designating Dec. 11-17 as National Drunk and Drugged Driving Awareness Week. Redstone's observance is a combined effort by the human resources development office and the safety office.

"It's to heighten the awareness and hopefully reduce the number of people who drive under the influence of alcohol and other drugs," said Jane Seltzer, chief of human resources development. "What we're seeing over the last two years is a significant increase in our activities the number of referrals, the number of incidents we get — prior to and during the holidays. So we're hoping people get more information and act on the information they have."

Besides safety notices and bulletins, a mobile education training van from the Alabama department of education is to be here Friday and Saturday. "It has computer simulation equipment to provide hands on experiences on a variety of driving conditions. It could be wet roads, could be if you're driving under legal intoxication," Seltzer said.

The schedule for the van is Friday from 1-2 p.m. at

building 5250, from 2:15-3:15 at 5400, from 3:30-4:30 at 4488, and from 4:45-5:45 at the Officer's Club. On Saturday the van is to be at building 3421 from 9-11 a.m. and at the PX-Commissary parking lot from noon to early afternoon.

"This (awareness week) is a concentrated effort because of the national program but this is an ongoing effort," said Dian Avery, an occupational safety and health specialist in the safety office.

More than 50 percent of automobile deaths have been shown to have alcohol involvement, according to Avery. People shouldn't drive under the influence because "they run the risk of injury or killing themselves and others and damage to property," she said. "It's very very expensive both in terms of dollars and human emotions."

People here charged with drunk driving, either on post or by civilian authorities outside the arsenal, are to have their driving privileges on Redstone Arsenal immediately suspended until their case is resolved. If convicted of drunk driving or if they refuse to take a blood alcohol test when suspected of drunk driving, their driving privileges on Redstone will be revoked for one year. The post commander is also required by the Army to issue a letter of reprimand to any person on

active military duty convicted of drunk driving, or who refuses to take a blood alcohol test or, having taken the test, registers .1 percent blood alcohol content or higher.

"We're putting out a guide for nonalcoholic holiday entertainment," said Seltzer of human resources development. "And we've got (drinking guide) handouts for the clubs so they'll be able to put them out for their patrons. The MP's on post will be offering non-punitive support for getting home as long as you ask them before they pick you up. If they stop you then you're in trouble. If you're at a party on post or at a club and feel you have had too much to drink, the MP's will assist in getting you home on post or they will coordinate in getting you taxi service for off post."

A local group, Mothers Against Drunk Drivers, will be coordinating off post taxi service for people downtown, Seltzer added.

Chaplain (Capt.) Robert Countess, human resources development chaplain, said about 90 percent of the people in jails are "some way related to alcohol or other drug use or offenses."

"I think that this week is the natural outgrowth of many years of neglecting the (drug and alcohol) problem," he said.



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Reflexes become sluggish and judgement is impaired. In short, you become a potential killer as soon as you get behind that wheel. This holiday season, if you drink, use your head. Don't drive. If a friend has had one too many, encourage him to find another way home. Don't let your celebrating lead you down a dead end street...permanently!

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School closes for holidays Dec. 21

The Missile and Munitions Center and School will close for the season Dec. 21 and resume classes Jan. 3, according to MSgt. Michael E. Miller, coordinator for "Operation Exodus" at Redstone.

Two buses will be available for transporting students to the Huntsville Airport, Wednesday at 5:30, 8, 10 and 11:30 a.m. and 1, 4, and 6 p.m. They will load on Aerobee Road adjacent to building 3496.

Return transportation will be available Jan. 3 from the airport at 2, 6, 8 and 10 a.m. and from the bus station at 3, 7, 9 and 11 p.m. Buses will unload on Aerobee Road also.

Personnel who filled out Christmas leave request forms for airline reservations are urged by Scheduled Airline Ticket officials to purchase tickets by closing

time on Dec. 16. Tickets may be purchased at building 112, room 106.

"If personnel have sent the forms in and received a copy but are not going to use the reservations please call SATO, 881-6772, or come to the office and make cancellations," says SATO agent Don Ford.

Ford says by cancelling the reservations early enough seats may be available for others wanting to go home for the holidays. He says that a dual purpose was accomplished by using the leave forms. The date and time of departures and return trips for the nearest airports to individuals homes were easier to obtain and reservations could be made on time.

"The forms were much more explicit this year," says Ford.

An art show of original Army missile art is being planned by the Tennessee Valley Chapter of the Association of the U.S. Army and the Burritt Museum of Huntsville.

The show would be held in the Spring of 1984. Works to be included will be those by Army artists and Army contractors which show Army missile systems or their components.

Organization elements of MICOM and other Army commands in the area are being asked to nominate art in their possession for display in the show. Only works showing unclassified subjects will be considered.

Persons or organizations who want to nominate art work for the show should contact the MICOM Public Affairs Office, 876-4161.

The Burritt Museum Director, Melinda Herzong, will make the selection of works for the exhibit.

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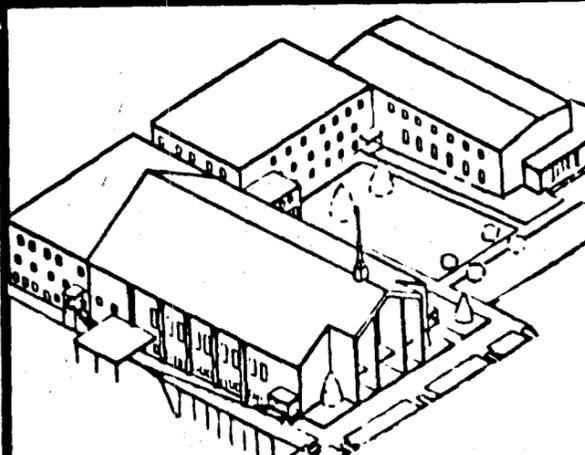
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College offers missile and munitions technology degree

BY SHEILA WALKER

Calhoun College in cooperation with the Missile and Munitions Center and School can offer service members an associate of applied science degree through a combination of military and civilian education.

According to Theresa Hamilton, director of Redstone Arsenal Extension of Athens/Calhoun State College, this degree, the Missile and Munitions Technology (MMT) degree is unique to Redstone and available only through Calhoun College.

"This program started in the middle 1970's," she said. "We felt that the soldiers here were getting worthwhile and good technical training, so we worked to incorporate it into a degree program. It was designed to assist soldiers in getting quicker promotions and as a way of reinforcing military and civilian education."

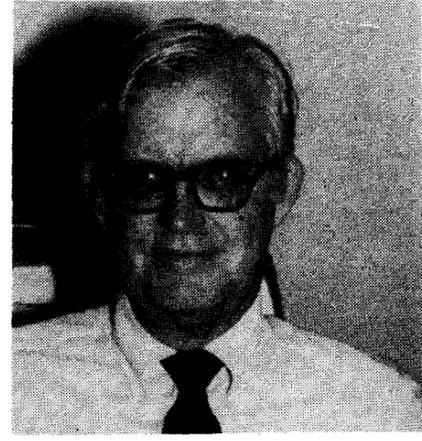
Each of the military occupational specialties taught here are evaluated according to the technical instruction that is provided in the course. A service member can earn 40 to 63 quarter hours for his MOS experience toward the 96 quarter hours that are required for the MMT.

The remainder of the hours needed are obtained through traditional college work. "This is probably the fastest way of getting an associate degree," said Hamilton.

"The only qualification with this degree is that the military portion must equal at least 40 quarter hours. For example, someone who has gone through the 24J course is evaluated as having 50 quarter hours, so he qualifies. But someone in the 55B course would get on-



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ly 13 points," she said. "So unless he went through MOS taught here at Redstone to get additional quarter hours, he would not be qualified for the program. We use a Military Ace Guide to determine the number of quarter hours to award a particular MOS. Correspondence courses were not recognized as military training."

The MMT degree program is certified by the State Department of Education, says Hamilton. The 96 credit hours required for the degree can be transferred toward a bachelor's degree credit if the service member decides he wants to work on another degree.

If a service member is interested in the MMT program, he should go to the education center and pick up a DD Form 295, Application for Evaluation of Learn-

ing Experiences of Military Service. Bring the completed form to the Calhoun Extension Office building 3650 for an evaluation of credit. Hamilton is the person to see at the extension office.

Qualified service members must enroll in Calhoun in order to work toward the MMT. Extension courses are offered on post.

Hamilton points out that there is no particular target population. Retirees, young enlisted members and warrant officers have gone into the program.

"We have had a total of 174 graduates in the program since it started. We have approximately 34-40 people in the program at the present. It has been extremely successful," Hamilton said.

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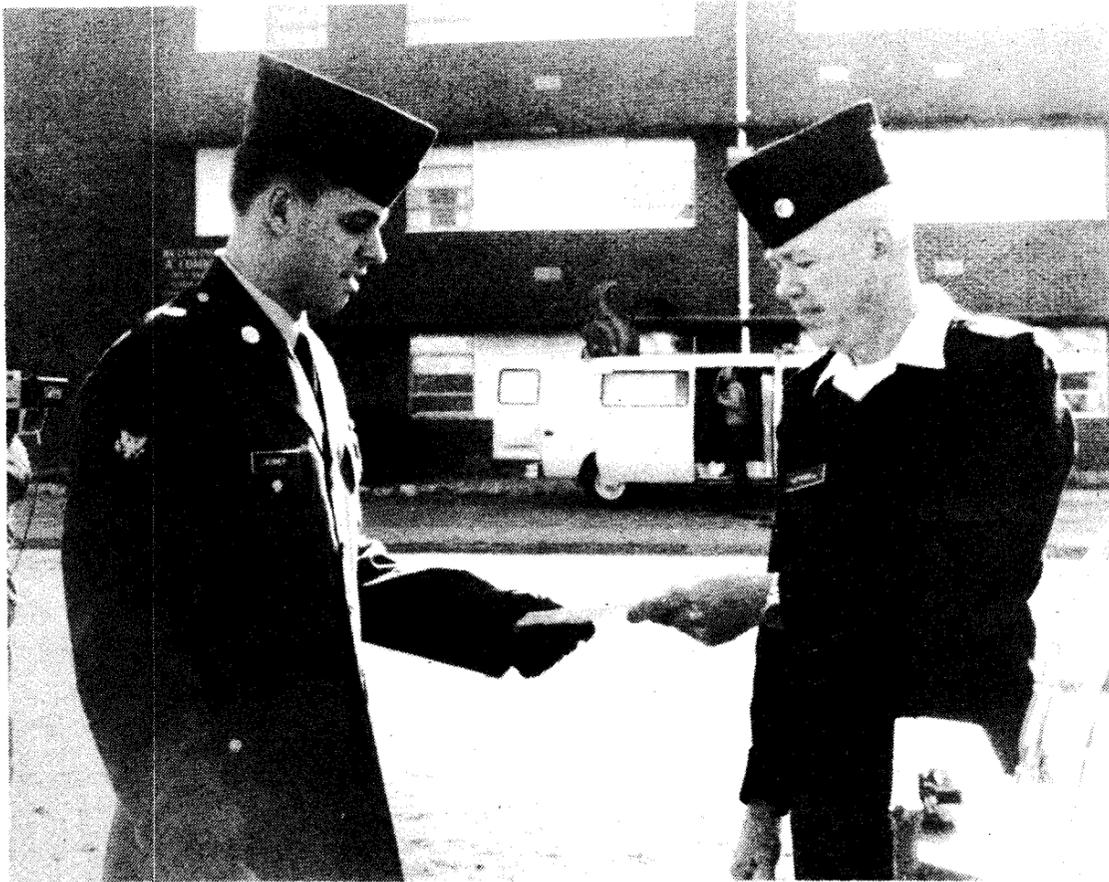
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Post soldier of month receives variety of gifts



SOLDIER HONORED—Post soldier of the month, Sp4 Gary Skinner receives an award from Sergeant Major of the Army Glen Morrell.

The gifts a post soldier of the month receives couldn't come at a better time than the Christmas season.

Local organizations and businesses give each soldier of the month a variety of awards including money, certificates, free meals, and movie passes. The soldier of the month for December, Sp4 Gary Skinner, even had the honor of receiving his awards from the sergeant major of the Army.

SMA Glen Morrell, the Army's top enlisted soldier,

was here for a morale, welfare and recreation review committee meeting. "We thought it would be a great opportunity to have the sergeant major of the Army present the post soldier of the month with all the awards he won through competition coming up from his company to post level," said CSM Harvey Kahl.

"I think it's outstanding," Kahl said of the awards. "I think it just shows how great a community Huntsville/Redstone Arsenal is and how people work together in making a better community for soldiers

and families."

For Skinner the gifts "will help make his Christmas that much better," Kahl said.

Skinner, a single 23-year-old from near Buffalo, NY, is a supply clerk in the school's land combat division. The B Company soldier enlisted in the Army in February 1983.

"I'm going on leave the 23rd of December and (the gifts) will come in handy," he said. "It's great in conjunction with Christmas coming up."

SMA Morrell presented the awards along with representatives from several of the businesses. "I was very happy to see the recognition that the soldier of the month gets here. That tells me the community is very supportive," Morrell said. "And by him winning the things he did that shows me there are officers doing things they're supposed to."

The awards include a \$50 check from Morale Support Fund, \$15 check from NCO Wives Club, \$25 share account in Redstone Federal Credit Union, certificate of achievement (MICOM), commemorative plaque (AUSA), parking space at Post Exchange (post CSM), two free meals at the cafeteria (PX), one uniform cleaned (PX), two tickets to post theater (PX), 15 percent discount on \$50 or more purchases (PX), a haircut or shampoo and set (PX), certificate for Big Mac/french fries/milk shake (McDonalds)

Also, dinner for two at NCO Club, free lubrication and grease job (Toyota Town), rental car (National), certificate of recognition (NCOA), free pizza (Domino's), box of Super Bubble (Lanza Candy Company), dinner for two at Red Lobster, dinner for two at the Fogcutter, two free nights at a local hotel (Chamber of Commerce), engraved pen and pencil set (Chamber of Commerce), two free movie passes to a local theater, and a \$15 gift certificate from Albertson's.

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Soldier of month likes having variety of experiences

BY SHEILA WALKER

Through all of the changes that carried him from the stability of a Christian home to the rigors of Army life, Sp4 Gary Skinner still isn't tired of transitions. As a matter of fact, he welcomes them.

"I'm an experiential type of person. I like trying new things. I'm always trying to broaden my experiences," says Skinner, an instructional supply clerk in the Land Combat Department.

Skinner was born 23 years ago and grew up in the suburbs of Buffalo, N.Y. He finished high school and enrolled in Houghton College in New York. There he studied literature and was awarded a bachelor of arts degree in 1982.

Skinner also studied other philosophies and different kinds of people. "I grew up in a Christian home and when I got to college, I was confronted with a lot of different viewpoints of the world. These viewpoints challenged my beliefs so I want to try many different types of things."

Some of the different types of things included being a cab driver in Alaska and working in a ski resort in New Jersey. "Yeah, I had a great time. These were experiential things for me to do," says Skinner matter-of-factly.

"I had left the job in New Jersey and was back home in Buffalo when I went in to talk to a recruiter. I told him to give me the straight story and he did. I asked him to give me about three weeks to decide. In the meantime, I talked it over with my family and friends. A month later, I went back and enlisted. That was in November 1982 and I started active duty in February.

"Joining the Army was another experience. I thought it was the manly thing to do. I took a two-year enlistment to see how I'd like it," explained a relaxed and very composed Skinner.

After basic training in at Fort Dix, N.J. and advanced individual training at Fort Lee, Va., he settled down to experiencing the Army. "I like it so far. Even the challenges in basic were good. The Army has its frustrations like anything else, but I appreciate the military discipline and the element of honor here. You really learn how to discipline yourself.

"I was very impressed with my basic training drill sergeant," he added. "He had a tremendous amount of integrity and dedication to what he was doing. I was convinced that he was the best that he could be in what he was doing and that inspired me to do my best."

The self-discipline has really paid off for Skinner. After being encouraged by his division chief to compete for company soldier of the month, Skinner went on to compete and win battalion and post soldier of the month. He explains his reasons this way, "I saw it as a way to prove myself to my peers and my superiors. It increased my confidence in myself.



SOLDIER OF THE MONTH Sp4 Gary Skinner: trying to broaden his experiences.

"Promotions weren't really on my mind. I wanted to prove to myself that I am a competent soldier.

"I'm glad and proud to be getting recognized for it. I was well rewarded for the experience. The Army is great in rewarding you for your achievements. I enjoyed the competition. I was calm and confident. I have to say that I am very pleased and proud to have had the award presented to me by the Sgt. Maj. of the Army, Glen Morrell."

Skinner's easy-going manner sometimes belies the

constant activity going on underneath. He's planning more changes and more experiences. "This is an unstable time for me, but I still have time to try to achieve some personal goals," he said. "Right now I'm working on being in the very best physical conditioning possible. I'm also preparing for graduate school. I would like a master's degree in literature.

"I am making the best of my military experience. If I stay in the Army I'd like to try Officer Candidate School."

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College degrees awarded in time for holidays

BY SKIP VAUGHN

Some servicemembers were to receive an undergraduate degree in time for the holidays at a winter commencement ceremony on post this week.

Twenty-six associate of arts degrees, 13 bachelor of arts degrees and two bachelor of science degrees were to be presented by the Columbia College extended studies division. The ceremony was scheduled for 7 p.m. Dec. 12 at Bicentennial Chapel.

"Ninety-five percent of the (recipients) are active duty military," said Janeen Rosenberg, a guidance counselor at the Army Continuing Education Center.

The education center helped them get enrolled and provided counseling and guidance. Columbia College is a private institution whose main campus is in Columbia, Mo.

At Redstone the school provides individualized instruction and is a Servicemembers Opportunity College. This means "it has liberal entrance requirements and grants credit for nontraditional studies," Rosenberg said. "It's in a network with other (SOC) schools around the world."

The school grants nontraditional credits for military training and testing. Its terms last eight weeks. "And they work very closely along with the soldier. They understand TDY commitments, things of that nature," said Rosenberg.

"We're very proud of the people that are graduating," she added. "It's quite an accomplishment to go to school part-time and have military commitments, responsibilities and many of them I'm sure have military families."

The commencement address was to be delivered by Col. Dahl Cento, deputy post commander. Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Ronald Bynum was to give the invocation. Mary McGough, education services officer, and Cento were to present the academic degrees.

Schools offering classes on post include Columbia, Calhoun and Athens State. Florida Institute of Technology offers a master's degree program. The education center gives general information on what they have to offer here, assists in placing soldiers in particular schools, and helps with tuition assistance and veterans assistance. The schools here hold classes

in education center buildings.

A recent report showed the education center had 1,265 people enrolled in school from October 1982 to October 1983. Awarded that year were 116 GED high school equivalency certificates, 75 associate degrees, two vocational certificates, 11 bachelor's degrees, and 35 master's degrees.

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'Training is everything..., ' Grenada ranger says

WASHINGTON—Ranger operations on Grenada weren't much different from everyday training, according to soldiers who landed there.

"Except for the combat situation," Sp4 George Rollins explained—an added dimension he described as a "two-way range."

He was serious. "These men are locked and cocked and ready to move out," CSM James Voyles growled. "Due to the intensity of training," the 2nd Ranger Battalion's command sergeant major said, "switching from training to combat was no problem."

Fewer than 10 percent of the rangers on Grenada were combat veterans, according to Voyles. And success of the mission caused him to observe, "Training is everything and everything is training."

Several rangers from the 1st and 2nd Battalions of the 75th Infantry said if they could tell the rest of the Army one thing, it would be to get as serious about matters as they are.

That's a message Secretary of the Army John O. Marsh Jr. called important during a recent visit to the ranger battalions. "One to which the rest of the Army should listen," the secretary said.

Sp4 Michael McCraw summed it up with this advice: "Don't just train for the sake of training or just because you're told to train. You'd better buckle down and realize that it might happen someday—that somebody might start shooting at you."

The most difficult thing Capt. Mark Crowson said he thinks he will face, leaving the 2nd Battalion soon to take command of a line infantry company, will be "to get them to think war instead of thinking ARTEP or other types of training." He said, "ARTEPS are valuable tools, but people start thinking that the important thing is whether they get a 'Go' or a 'No Go' not whether they can actually perform their mission in combat.

"Here in the ranger battalion," Crowson added, "The emphasis is that we have to actually be ready for the real thing. It paid off when we actually had to do the real thing."

The day after the real thing was over, the rangers returned to their bases at Fort Lewis, Wash., and Hunter Army Air Field, Ga., and went back to

business-as-usual, back to training.

"Put we're on a half-day schedule," SSgt. Stephen Weiss explained, "six in the morning till six at night. Half a day."

Weiss, a member of the 2nd Battalion for seven years, had a chance to see the benefits of training while he was on operations in Grenada. "I was really impressed with the rangers. Everybody over-excelled," he said. "When the shooting started, everybody ran toward it. Nobody was hiding in a foxhole or anything like that."

Rangers routinely train with live ammunition, something that SSgt. George Gephart said "acclimatizes you to the sounds and to the possibility of getting shot."

Much of the live ammunition used for training is spent during squad movement and contact exercises, where the important lesson is to know who's who.

"The live-fires keep you aware of where your buddy is so that you don't shoot him in the back. That's the key thing," a ranger said. "You don't want to shoot your fellow soldier."

Lt. Col. Wesley Taylor, commander of the 1st Ranger Battalion, said this type of training made his men "used to the sound and smell of battle. And it was very easy to extend that into actual combat."

Even the parachute jump from 500 feet was little different than their "usual" jumps. The 2nd Battalion

sergeant major called it "no biggie," a notion to which Rollins, the specialist four, subscribes. "The altitude was unusual; and jumping with no reserve, that was odd," Rollins observed. "Besides that, it was just like any other airborne operation."

The rangers usually jump from 1,200 or 800 feet. The Grenada jump was made from 500 feet.

It might have taken eight seconds, or it might have been 10 or 12. Rollins laughed and said, "I wasn't counting."

He was worried about something else. "The airstrip is right next to the water, so that was my main concern," he said. "The fire was really secondary. If I got shot in the air, well, I couldn't help that; but I didn't want to drown."

Sgt. Ronald Dinges, in the meantime, was worried about landing on cement. "In spite of the altitude, I knew the chute would open. But I was worried about landing on the runway," he said.

Asked what he was thinking about during the time it took to reach the ground, Dinges recalled, "whether there would be contact as soon as we hit."

"It was, after all, an 8-12 second trip, long enough to think about the situation at hand, but not enough time to bone-up on what to do about it if you don't already know.

"It's a little late then," Dinges explained. (Arnews)

\$75 million appropriated for veterans' job training

WASHINGTON—A \$75 million appropriation measure signed recently by President Reagan allows certain unemployed Vietnam era and Korean conflict veterans to participate in a special job training program.

Officials at the Veterans Administration say the program will fund 50 percent of the starting hourly wages up to \$10,000 for a maximum of 15 months training for certain veterans with service-connected disabilities and up to nine months for other veterans. The program also will allow employers to enter into

agreements with educational institutions to provide vocational instructions.

Administrator of veterans affairs, Harry N. Walters, said, "This is a major undertaking and it underscores the nation's special commitment to those who served in the military."

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WASHINGTON—When the rangers captured the strategic points on Grenada, they also bagged world attention.

And, in the long run, they may have nailed a homerun that could pull the whole Army out of a slump.

Savannah, Ga., staged a pep rally, an occasion that brought out a local entrepreneur to hawk t-shirts boasting the score "USA": 1 Cuba: 0." Meanwhile, citizens literally took to the bleachers to give the rangers what one observer called "a static ticker-tape parade."

It was as if the rangers had taken the pennant. The hometown fans loved it. The nation voiced a collective cheer. Suddenly, they were vaulted from a municipal stadium to the Rose Bowl, where two ranger platoons, one representing each of the ranger battalions, marched during the Army-Navy game. Navy may have won the game, but halftime was no contest.

Back in garrison, the hero's mantle may be wearing a bit thin. Make no mistake about it, though, the rangers say they have appreciated all the attention.

"If anybody tells you he hasn't enjoyed it, he's lying," a ranger said.

There has been a sudden outpouring of gratitude around the country, an almost 180-degree turn in public opinion.

Secretary of the Army John O. Marsh Jr. said this emotion has been just below the surface all along.

"The Grenada operation only served to bring it out," he said.

Sp4 William Stingle put it into perspective: "It's about time we got some gravy on our potatoes."

There's been much back-slapping, a few benefit feasts and even a beer-bust hosted by a local rock 'n' roll club. They called it "ranger night."

"Every night is ranger night," SSgt. Stephen Weiss corrected. But, faced with all the publicity the rangers have received since their return from Grenada, Weiss was led to say, "Going to war was twice as easy as coming home."

The tangible rewards have been many, and the troops' social lives have improved vastly. At the Savannah celebration, many Georgia women were proud to have "range-ahs" as their escorts.

Black beret stock has skyrocketed.

The ranger headquarters at Fort Lewis, Wash., doesn't look special, a one-story cinder-block structure surrounded by a security fence. However, the front lawn now has some new additions: an anti-aircraft gun, a mortar, and a recoilless rifle they captured in Grenada.

The "quad" stands across the street, four barracks that flank a parade field. Three belong to the 2nd Ranger Battalion. It's noisy inside one of the barracks—some joking, a little rough-housing. A radio echos through the second floor and into the dayroom.

There's a sign on the wall, beside the pool table.

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This is where the heroes live, a place where the rangers don't feel especially heroic.

"I didn't do anything special," Sp4 Michael McCrawn recalled. "I just did my job, what I was told to do."

"Y'know," he said, "nobody was bothering us before Grenada. Now, when we go downtown, everybody wants to know 'What did you do down there?' They can find out more about what we did down there from reading newspapers than we can tell them."

"The battalion just did its job," SSgt. George Gephart said, "something we're paid to do. Maybe we finally got a chance to pay back the U.S. a little for all the money they've spent training us."

Soldiers who left the battalion, or who got out of the Army are trying to get back into the unit. "They're crawling out of the woodwork."

They are, perhaps, searching for a piece of the limelight, a limelight that may be fading.

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Ground water pollution not found in DDT study

Extensive DDT pollution at Redstone Arsenal has not contaminated ground water supplies, according to a recent study.

The Olin Corp. in a quarterly report issued Dec. 1 on its DDT investigations here presents data showing that DDT contamination in ground water is barely detectable.

Olin researchers drew samples from 10 ground water sources, five from monitoring wells in the area of an old DDT factory here and five from public drinking water supply wells in communities around Redstone Arsenal.

Generally less than 0.1 part per billion of DDT was found in the samples. "Based on these data, there is no ground water contamination problem," the Olin report states.

A similar set of samples studied during 1979-80 tested about one part per billion, almost an order of

magnitude higher than the latest tests.

The report states that ground water flow from the old factory site is southward into Huntsville Spring Branch.

The factory site harbors large underground deposits of buried DDT waste remaining from years when Olin and other concerns manufactured DDT in a plant rented from the Army. But there is "extremely limited groundwater mobility" in the area due to the permeability characteristics of the soil. "Therefore, potential contaminant movement to groundwater is likewise extremely limited," the report states.

Olin's environmental affairs group based in Charleston, Tenn. has been studying DDT pollution here for more than 18 months. Under a federal court settlement Olin has agreed to take cleanup measures that will reduce DDT contamination in the local environment.

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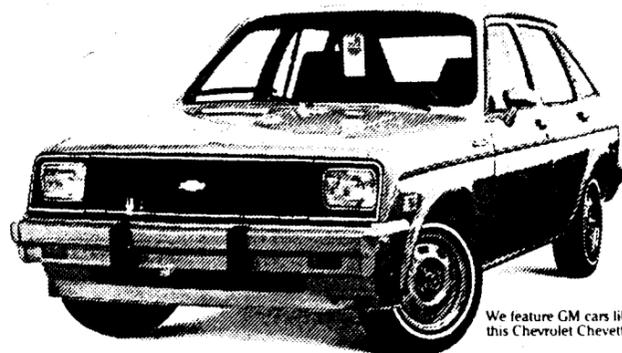
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Officer's Club will be closed Dec. 24-26 and Jan. 1-2.

NCO Club will be closed Dec. 25-26 and Jan. 1-2. The lounge will be open Dec. 24 from 11 a.m.—6 p.m.

Enlisted Club will be closed Dec. 24-26 and Jan. 1-2. It will be open from 4:30-9 p.m. Dec. 21-23.

Biscuits and Burgers will be closed Dec. 25-26 and Jan. 1-2.

Package Store will be closed Dec. 26 and Jan. 2. Outdoor Recreation Center will be closed for hun-

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Craft Shops will be closed Dec. 24-26 and Jan. 1-2.

The hospital will be on normal duty hours.

Dental Clinic will be closed Dec. 25 and Jan. 1. The hospital dental clinic closes at 11:30 a.m. on Dec. 21 and reopens at 7:30 a.m. on Jan. 4.

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Golf Course will be closed Dec. 25-26 and Jan. 1-2.

Recreation Center will be open throughout the holidays from 1:30-10 p.m.

Hospital here to get new commander

Fox Army Community Hospital will get a new commander on Jan. 5.

Col. Edward M. Johnson, hospital commander at Fort McClellan, Ala. for the last five years, will assume command of the hospital here from Col. Graham E. Beard. Beard will be taking command of the medical activity in Panama.

"He (Beard) will probably best be remembered for his concern and compassion for the patient population and their wellbeing," said Michael Carlisle, adjutant at Fox Hospital. Beard has commanded the hospital since June 1982.

Johnson has been at Fort McClellan for seven years. The 57-year-old LaGrande, Ore. native is married to the former Eileen Keller. They have four daughters.

A change of command ceremony is scheduled for 1:30 p.m. Jan. 5 and will be conducted by Maj. Gen. Floyd Baker, commander of Health Services Command.

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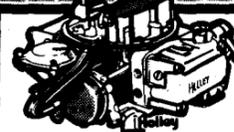
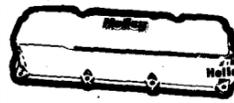


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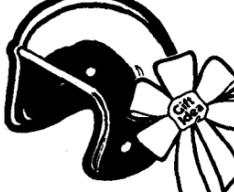


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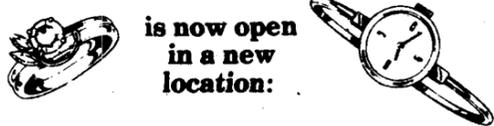
Averaging about 300 calls per month since September 1981, the "Army family life communication line" operates 24 hours a day. Its phones are manned by staff members of the Army's adjutant general's office. They screen calls to determine the nature of the problem or issue. If they find that the matter can be resolved at the local-command level, they'll refer the call there.

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Calls are fielded by staff members from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Eastern time, Monday through Friday. If you call after hours, you'll be recorded for later response, usually the next workday. Commands overseas don't tie into the toll-free lines, say officials; but many have set up local numbers to which family members may direct inquiries. (Arnews)

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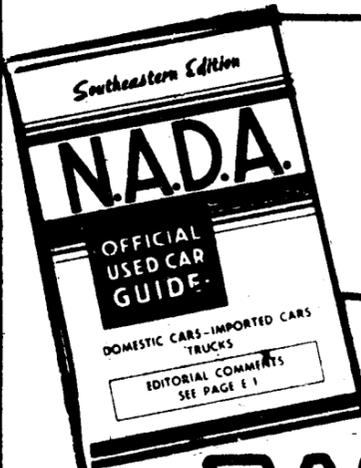
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'Truck' Williams controls the boards in hoop action

Leon "Truck" Williams is making a strong bid to become the CWF basketball league's 'chairman of the board'.

He has the credentials—just ask Missile Systems. Williams, a 6-6 center for Security, hit the boards for 28 rebounds and 22 points to pace Security past Missile Systems, 83-67, in one of last week's league leading performances.

Williams got plenty of support from teammates Mason Hammons with 21 points and James Nesmith with 16. Larry Cable starred for Missile Systems with 34 points and Auto Whitman had 16.

Meanwhile, Comptrollers rolled over T&E, 73-45, to extend their record to 3-0 and take a temporary lead over P&P #2, Security, and F&A, all tied for second with 2-0 records.

James Lanier pumped in 27 for Comptrollers and Larry Goffer added 11. Steve Lowe with 14 and Ray Maples with 12 were high for T&E.

In other games, P&P #2 defeated Missile Labs, 95-32; F&A stopped Structures, 82-53; Green Machine won over Corps of Engineers, 62-51; and Comptrollers won by forfeit over TMDE.

League leading scorer Willie Epps romped for 38 points to continue his torrid pace for P&P #2 with help from Calvin Boone and Terry Whitman with 18 each. Larry Crandall had 14 for Missile Labs.

F&A got balanced scoring from Keith Frost with 17, Dewayne Kelly, James Battle and Don Battle with 12 each in turning back Structures. Tom Christianson had 16 for the losers.

Hal King had 18 and Dave Smith 16 for Green Machine while Jerry Mullinax and Bernard Ragland had 13 each for COE.

CWF STANDINGS

Team	Record
1. Comptrollers	3-0
2. P&P #2	2-0
3. Security	2-0
4. F&A	2-0
5. COE	1-1
6. Missile Systems	1-1
7. Green Machine	1-1
8. TMDE	0-2
9. Structures	0-2
10. Missile Labs	0-2
11. T&E	0-3

LEADING SCORERS

Players	Team	Avg.
1. Willie Epps	P&P #2	38
2. Larry Cable	Missile Systems	34
3. Leon Williams	Security	19.5
4. Terry Whitman	P&P #2	19.1
5. Calvin Boone	P&P #	18.5
6. Larry Couch	Comptrollers	18
7. Dave Smith	Green Machines	17.5
8. Joe Easton	Security	15.5
9. Bernard Ragland	COE	13.8
10. James Battle	F&A	13.5
11. Mason Hammons	Security	13.4
12. Auto Whitman	Missile Systems	13
13. H. King	COE	12.3
14. M. Gross	Structures	12
15. Mike Hubbard	T&E	11.8

Credit union will elect three board members

Three board members for the Redstone Federal Credit Union will be elected by ballots mailed in by members no later than Jan. 21.

Nominated by the nominating committee were Richard J. Allen, Col. Malcolm O'Neill and Fred Segrest. Candidates nominated by petition were Donald B. Cook and James (Bud) Flanagan.

Ballots are to be mailed Friday to members as of Nov. 30. They should be returned by Jan. 21 and the results will be announced at the annual meeting Jan. 26. The positions are for three-year terms.

"It's a nine person board and normally three are up for election each year," said Roy Hollihan, president of Redstone Federal Credit Union.

Allen, director of fiscal management at McDonnell Douglas technical services company in Huntsville, is a

current board member. So is O'Neill, former MICOM chief of staff who became project manager for the Multiple Launch Rocket System. Segrest, chief of an acquisition team in Procurement & Production Directorate, is a member of the credit union's supervisory committee.

Petition candidate Cook, an engineer in the systems analysis division of TMDE Support Group, is a current board member. The other petition candidate, Flanagan, is a physicist in the Missile Intelligence Agency. They qualified by getting the required 500 names.

"There currently are 76,321 Redstone Credit Union members," Hollihan said. "As of Nov. 30, assets were \$172,228,009.85."

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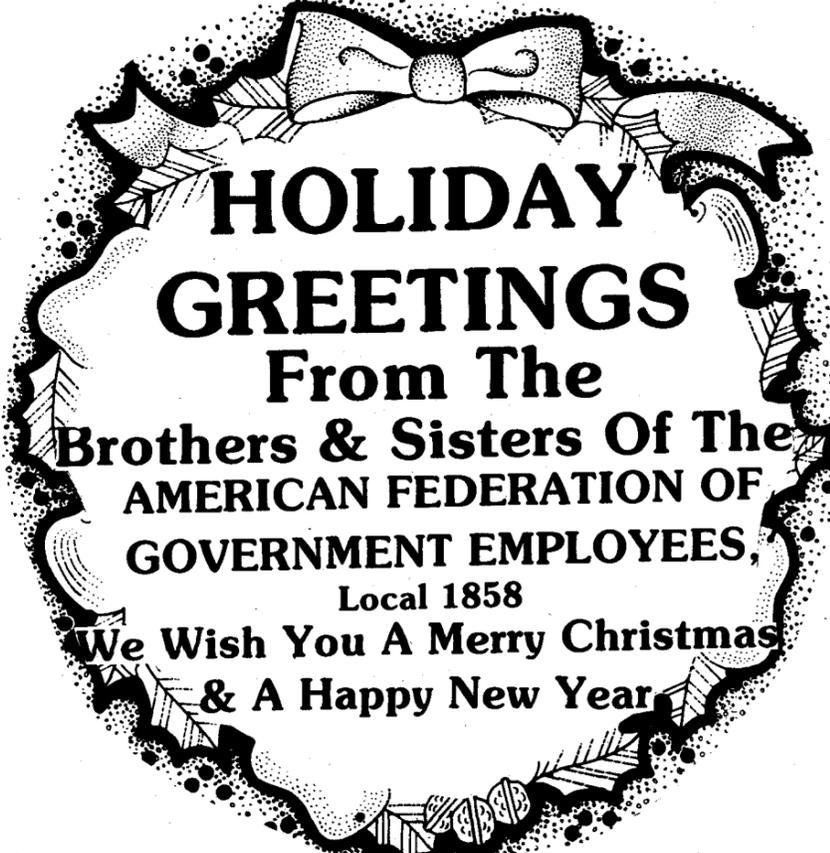
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Handicapped spiritual support

H.E.R.O. is a Christ-centered, inter-denominational spiritual support group of the handicapped which meets the third Saturday of each month. Their next meetings are Dec. 17 and Jan. 21 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at St. Stephen's Episcopal Church. Bring a lunch to share if possible. For transportation call Martha at 830-5331; for information call Lois at 882-0909.

Bloodmobile

The bloodmobile will be at bldg. 3207 (7th Student Co.) tomorrow from 4—8 p.m. Dec. 16—bldg. 7442 from 8 a.m.—noon and bldg. 8027 from 7:30—11:30 a.m. Dec. 20—bldg. 4752 (NASA) from 8:30 a.m.—12:30 p.m. and bldg. 3207 (8th Student Co.) from 4—8 p.m. For more information call Naomi Whitaker at 876-3124 or 876-2759.

Catholic day

In preparation for Christmas the Bicentennial Chapel will hold Catholic Day of Reflection services on Dec. 19. Father Robert Marsicek, pastor of St. Joseph Catholic Church will give two presentations from 9—11 a.m. and 2—4 p.m. Parishoners are invited to attend one or both and also attend the Communal Penance Service at the Bicentennial Chapel at 7 p.m. Three priests will hear confessions for this service.

Warrant officer procurement

A Department of the Army Warrant Officer Recruiting Team will visit Redstone on Feb. 6-8 to recruit personnel in career management field 55 for MOS 411A (ammunition technician). Personnel should be E-5 and above with a GT score 110 or higher. A recruiting briefing will be held in the building 3301 auditorium at 1 p.m. Feb. 6. Appointments for personal interviews will be taken after the briefing. For more information call 876-1428/2743.

Warrant officer course

A warrant office preappointment course at Fort Eustis, Va. has been established for MOS 500A, marine deck officer, and MOS 510A, marine engineer officer. Service members must be in pay grade E-5 or above, show one year marine experience in the past three years, and meet physical requirements of AR 56-9, chapter 5. Service members should submit applications to arrive at Fort Eustis no later than Jan. 31, 1984. First scheduled class is March 8, 1984. For more information call Jean Manley at 876-4252.

New hours at bowling center

The bowling center has announced new hours of operation. Effective Jan. 9, building 3707 will open from 3 to 10 p.m. on Monday. Tuesday through Saturday will remain the same, 9 a.m. to 12 p.m., and Sunday 1 p.m. to 12 p.m.

Civilian Counseling Service

The Civilian Counseling Service is an employee assistance program provided for all Department of Army civilian employees. Supervisory and non-supervisory personnel are encouraged to attend this training. The Human Resources Development Office provides monthly briefings on the CCS. These briefings are held the third Tuesday of each month in room A115, bldg. 5250 from 8:30-10:30 a.m. The next session is scheduled for Dec. 20.

Recreation Center

Today—Movie "Time Bandits" at 2:30 and 6:30 p.m. Hearts tourney at 7 p.m. Thursday—Movie "Excalibur" at 2:30 and 6:30 p.m. Bingo at 8:30 p.m. Friday—Movie "Dragon Slayer" at 2:30 and 6:30 p.m. Scrabble tourney at 7 p.m. Saturday—Children's Christmas party from 2—4 p.m. Sunday—Free coffee, kool-aid and doughnuts at 2:30 p.m. Monday—Video game tourney at 7 p.m. Free refreshments. Tuesday—Pool tourney at 7 p.m.

Youth activities council

The Youth Activities Council will meet at 11:30 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 15 in the Officer's Club executive dining room. Organization reps should attend or have a substitute. Plans for opening the Youth Activities Center will be discussed. For more information, call Lt. Col. Thomas Simcox 876-4541.



Moulton

Carpool wanted from Moulton to 5687 or vicinity, hours flexible. Billy Kelley 876-4324.

Ardmore

Carpool wanted from Ardmore to 5250, hours 8—4:30. Sue Bailey 876-5995.

Boaz

Ride wanted from Boaz to building 4373, hours 7:30—4:00. Frances Altman 876-5368.

Oneonta/Arab

Carpool wanted from Oneonta or Arab to 4484, hours 7—3:30 (flexible). Kathy Cox 876-7531.



Holiday happenings

Christmas Eve services

Christmas Eve services at the Bicentennial Chapel will begin with the Protestant service at 7 p.m. and Catholic Mass at midnight. For more information call Chaplain Ryland at 876-2409.

Protestant women

The December meeting of the Protestant Women of the Chapel will be a musical program presented by Heart Songs. The program with the theme "Binding Us Together Through the Spirit of Christmas" will begin at 9:30 a.m. on Dec. 15 at the Bicentennial Chapel. Attendees bring an ornament, to exchange and call the Redstone Child Care Center for a reservation for free child care if needed.

PX holiday hours

The Post Exchange main store is staying open later on Sundays and opening Mondays to accommodate holiday shoppers. Sunday and Monday hours are 11 a.m.—5 p.m. through Dec. 19. The store will be open Friday, Dec. 23 from 10 a.m.—6 p.m. and on Christmas eve from 9 a.m.—4 p.m.

Fla. Tech to close for holidays

Florida Institute of Technology, Bldg. 7446, Warehouse Road, will close for the Christmas and New Year's holidays at the close of business on Dec. 23 and will reopen at 9 a.m., Jan. 3, '84.

Food Basket

The annual food basket program collection will continue until Dec. 21. Look for collection sites for canned goods and other non-perishable foods. Checks for money donations to buy perishable foods can be made to the Consolidated Chaplain's Fund. Last year 67 military families received baskets of food for a complete Christmas dinner.

Party trays to order

Party trays to order for the upcoming holiday season are being offered by the commissary delicatessen. The deli is located in the back of the store near the meat market. The commissary will furnish trays or customers may bring their own.

Christmas gift wrapping service

The NCO Wives Club will offer a Christmas gift wrapping service in the lobby of the main PX until Dec. 24. Hours for this service will be the same as PX operating hours.

College mixer

The Officers Wives Club will host a college mixer for the children of its members on Friday, Dec. 23 at 8 p.m. in the officers club. College students home for the holidays and college bound seniors are welcome to attend. Cost will be \$2 per person. Refreshments will be served and a disc jockey will be on hand. Reservations must be made by noon, Dec. 21 to: Mrs. Brown 837-5090, Mrs. Haddock 837-9586, or Mrs. Gingras 883-7350.

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1978 BASS BOAT, 16' Challenger w/100 hp 1972 Evinrude Outboard w/power tilt, drive on trailer; new trolling motor and depth finder, 3 new batteries. Good rig. \$3,500 firm. Call Vicki at 876-6195 or 536-3724 or 837-8088 after 5 p.m.

MUST SELL!! Fishing/Camping Gear. Minimum 8 rods, 8 reels, 2 tackle boxes and much more tackle \$175.00 for all. Pup tent, 2 sleeping bags, 2 Peak 1 stoves, w/cases, and fuel bottles, dinnerware and many misc. items \$250.00 for all. Will also sell single items. Call anytime at 883-9081.

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1978 DATSUN PICKUP, KING CAB, 4-speed, air, camper shell, 2 new tires, 55,500 miles, excellent condition. \$2950.00. 883-9128.

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1976 VEGA HATCHBACK 4 speed, a/c, new tires and battery, 76,000 miles, \$1395. 1974 Datsun 710, 4 speed, a/c, \$950. 1970 Buick Lesabre, 4 door, a/c, p/s, a/t, \$425. 1967 Datsun PL411, 4 door, 4 speed, \$425. Call 881-6362 or 883-4778 if now answer.

1982 CAMARO BERLINETTA, 4 spd, 6 cyl, a/c, ps, pb, am/fm stereo, tilt steering cruise control, rear window defogger, black with tan velour interior, tinted glass. Adult owned and driven 15,000 miles. Asking \$9,000. -4294 after 4 p.m. and weekends.

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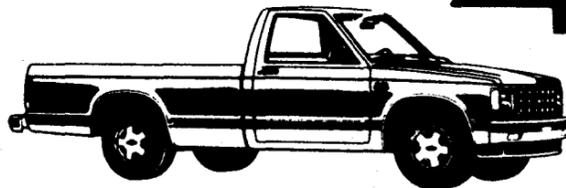
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Students in U.S. schools get overseas trip

WASHINGTON—Children of soldiers stationed overseas may now make one government-paid round trip per year between their stateside school and their parent's duty station.

New congressional guidelines authorized travel for all family members who are under 23 years old, unmarried and attending secondary (when DOD schools are unavailable) or undergraduate school in the continental U.S., Alaska or Hawaii. The "annual period" begins when the student takes the first half of the

round-trip, officials explained.

"Those who are eligible for a funded trip may not fly space available," a transportation official said. Sponsors should first visit their local military personnel office to establish eligibility. The serving installation transportation office will then be provided with necessary documentation to issue travel instructions and tickets.

The Installation Travel Office will first try to make arrangements to fly space-required on Military Airlift Command. If MAC is not available within a five-day "window," the office will arrange for a commercial flight. For those who make their own flight arrangements, reimbursement will not be made if MAC was available at time of travel.

Some considerations are being made for people who bought tickets before Nov. 28, and those who are now eligible for government-funded travel. Transportation officials say that questions regarding the new guidelines should be directed to the nearest transportation office. (Arnews)

Drawing held for cabbage patch dolls

A drawing for the purchase of the infamous Cabbage Patch Dolls will be held Friday at the main exchange. There have been numerous calls requesting the availability of the dolls so a regional decision was made to have a drawing of the purchases.

"We have almost 300 forms completed so far," said Robert Davis, exchange manager, three days after the drawing box was displayed.

Before they became so popular the exchange headquarters ordered the dolls for distribution to exchanges worldwide.

Customers have a chance at 48 dolls for \$25 each and they do not have to be present to win. The people present for the drawing will get first selection and those not present will be notified by phone to select from the remaining dolls. All the dolls are 16 inches and have different colored dresses.

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BUS 296	Basic Business Finance	BUS 281	MW	5:00-7:30
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PSY 304	Personality Theory	PSY 101	MW	5:00-7:30
MA 170	Finite Mathematics	MA 150	MW	5:00-7:30
BUS 479	Business Policy	Jr/Sr standing	MW	7:30-10:00
ENG 111	English Composition I	None	MW	7:30-10:00
PSY 392	Psychology of Adolescence	PSY 101	MW	7:30-10:00
HIST 102	Western Civilization II	None	MW	7:30-10:00
CS 292	COBOL I (Lab Fees)	CS 190 (Inst. Perm.)	MW	7:30-10:00
BUS 360	Organizational Design	BUS 260	TT	5:00-7:30
CS 110	Computer Literacy-BASIC/BASIC (Lab Fees)	None	TT	5:00-7:30
SOC 331	Juvenile Delinquency	SOC 111	TT	5:00-7:30
ASTRON 101	Introduction to Astronomy	None	TT	5:00-7:30
CJ 411	Criminal Law II	CJ 409	TT	7:30-10:00
BUS 281	Accounting II	BUS 280	TT	7:30-10:00
ENG 112	English Composition II	ENG 111	TT	7:30-10:00
PHIL/GOVT 320	Political Philosophy	None	TT	7:30-10:00
CS 190	Introduction to Data	None	TT	7:30-10:00

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