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RASA'S had five hard years

BY ED PETERS

The confusion and uncertainty that have dogged the people of RASA for five years finally (and mercifully) came to an end yesterday.

It was in 1980 that the Army formally announced its study to see if private enterprise could provide base support services at less cost than government workers. Using the government's prescribed formulas for computing such things, the bottom line showed that private enterprise won out by a narrow margin, fair and square. Many observers wonder what the outcome would have been if the formulas included a way to factor in the cost of five years of turmoil in Redstone Arsenal Support Activity.

RASA has been through some bad times:

Morale. . . is very low. Sick leave usage exceeds DA goals by 50 percent. Employee turnover is approx-

In RASA. . .

imately 40 percent annually. . . The stress level is extremely high in management as well as employees. Rumors run rampant. Grievances have increased 200 percent in the last year. Ninety-five percent of the employees have indicated a desire to lateral out of the activity. . . Security violations are frequent as well as personal injury from accidents.

That grim word-picture of conditions in one RASA element is painted in a paper, "A Case of the Delayed Decision", presented by Leonard Jones, chief of Supply Division, at an executive management seminar in Atlanta in July 1984.

In interviews last week, Jones and others reflected on the tough times RASA has endured for the past few years. That support operations did not simply grind to a halt long ago is a testimony and tribute to the determination and dedication of the RASA work force and

its leaders. The temptation to just stop and stand still to await the final contracting decision must have been awful.

Tremendous stress

"The stress level has been tremendous. I can't find words to describe the level I've been under personally in attempting to keep this organization afloat," said Jones, expressing "quiet relief" that the RASA ordeal has ended.

"Those hiring restrictions as a result of the impending RIF made it nearly impossible to hire on a permanent basis, so therefore we were stop-gapping our problems with temporary help hired for 120 days to one year. It made recruitment of particularly desirable

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287 downgraded, 304 stay same

The final numbers for the RASA reduction in force show that there were substantially fewer downgrading and termination actions than had originally been forecast.

There were 105 actual changes to lower grade, down from 162 indicated by the June RIF letters, and terminations were reduced from 283 to 182.

In total, there were 304 people who kept their grades and 287 who were moved into lower-graded jobs. These latter include the 182 "terminations" — individuals who lost their jobs in RASA but were afforded continued employment in low-graded

"overstrength" jobs elsewhere in the Missile Command. Under federal RIF procedures, those reduced in grade will not suffer a cut in pay.

Of those 304 who were not downgraded, 241 were reassigned within the same competitive level, which means in general they remain in the jobs they had before the RIF, and another 63 maintained their grade while moving to another competitive level.

RIF letters were delivered to 753 RASA workers on June 17, but in the period intervening until the RIF was completed Sept. 30, 162 of these were removed from consideration as the result of retirements,

resignations and reassignments into new competitive areas — actions which in some instances opened up better job opportunities for other displaced workers.

On completion of the RIF, 190 workers holding temporary promotions reverted to their permanent grades, while 225 individuals serving on temporary appointments were discharged from government service. One hundred thirty three of these temporaries found work with the new base support contractor, as did 63 of the permanent workers who chose not to remain with the government. Most of the 63 retired from their government jobs.

Drug violations carry possible fine, jail sentence

BY SKIP VAUGHN

Penalties for drug violations are stiff and Army officials say they fit the seriousness of the crime.

A drug seminar is planned to educate the community here not only of the legal aspects but of the social pressures and behavioral problems as well. The seminar is tentatively scheduled for Oct. 16 with a class in the day and another at night.

"We hope to present one which will be educative to parents and children," said John Garceau of the investigative division in Security Directorate.

Under the Uniform Code of Military Justice, soldiers convicted for drug possession can face dishonorable discharge, forfeiture of all pay and allowances, and five years in jail. For wrongful distribution or intent to distribute drugs, soldiers can face dishonorable discharge, forfeiture of all pay and allowances, and 15 years in jail.

"Intent to sell is something that can be proved by circumstances," said 1st Lt. Steve Aldridge, prosecutor in the Staff Judge Advocate Office.

Civilians convicted of drug violations under the U.S. Code can face fines and time in jail. The Comprehensive Crime Control Act of 1984 increased the fines and stiffened the penalty provisions for violations committed after Jan. 1, 1985. The new maximum fines are \$100,000 for first offense possession and \$250,000 for first offense possession with intent to manufacture, distribute or dispense, according to the U.S. attorney's office in Birmingham.

The jail sentences remained at not more than one year for first offense possession and not more than 15 years for first offense possession with intent to manufacture, distribute or dispense.

"Anything that compromises the effectiveness of anyone, either civilian or military, threatens the effectiveness of this whole post," Aldridge said. "And drugs certainly compromise the effectiveness of individuals who abuse them."



LAWMEN — 1st Lt. Steve Aldridge is prosecutor in the Staff Judge Advocate Office; John Garceau is a criminal investigator in Security Directorate.

Cocaine and marijuana are the problem drugs on post, according to criminal investigator Garceau. "I don't think there's as much of a problem as there used to be back in 1973 or '74," he said. "The biggest thing that's helped us is urinalysis; number two is the (drug search) dogs; and number three is the covert activities, undercover operations."

A case investigated by Redstone's CID and the Madison County Sheriff's Department recently resulted in a soldier's conviction for wrongful possession and possession with intent to distribute cocaine.

PFC Frederick Baublitz of 515th Ordnance Company was reduced to private E-1, given a bad conduct discharge, forced to forfeit all pay and allowances, and sentenced to two years in jail.

Drug violation "penalties are severe and rightfully so," said Aldridge, the prosecutor. "The Army is tasked to protect this country at a moment's notice. Drugs, by their very nature, are detrimental to the unit and the individual.

"They are viewed seriously, they're taken seriously and they're prosecuted seriously."

Charity campaign has big kickoff luncheon Oct. 8

A kickoff luncheon for the annual Combined Federal Campaign will be held Tuesday, Oct. 8 at the Von Braun Civic Center west exhibit hall.

"It's a first for it to be held down at the Von Braun Civic Center and it's the first time it will be a combined luncheon for all of the participating federal agencies," said Katie Byrd, chairperson of the Local Federal Coordinating Committee for CFC.

Everyone is invited to attend. "We're particularly encouraging campaign officials, agency heads, organizational chairpersons, the Local Federal Coordinating Committee, monitors and solicitors (to attend)," Byrd said.

Lt. Col. Bob O'Donnell, MICOM chief of staff, is to be the keynote speaker. Others on the program in-

clude Kathleen Hall, regional director for the international service agencies; Michael Hughes, executive director of United Way of Madison County; and Margaret Daniel, executive director for the national health agencies.

"It is an attempt to more actively involve the community in the campaign and give more visibility to the way the recipient agencies give services back to the community," Byrd said. "Some individuals who have personally benefited from some of the organizations that provide services to the community will be on the program."

Also, the American Red Cross Certificate of Merit is to be presented to Dorothy Fletcher, a security guard on post. She is credited with using cardiopulmonary

resuscitation (CPR) to help a heart attack victim at a Huntsville intersection in October 1984.

The Lee High School band is to play in the parking lot of the Von Braun Civic Center west exhibit hall a half hour before the kickoff program starts at noon. The kickoff program, expected to last an hour, will include a buffet lunch. Cost is \$5 per person. Tickets may be obtained from any campaign officer or by calling the CFC office 876-3641.

The charity campaign, with 30 Huntsville area federal agencies, is scheduled for Oct. 15 through Nov. 8 with a \$700,000 goal. Brig. Gen. John Drosdeck, deputy MICOM commander, is the CFC general chairperson.

Hard years

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employees impossible, since no one wanted to come into an organization that was most assuredly facing a RIF," Jones remarked.

The division was in "a constant training cycle" and had to maintain two modes of operation and levels of staffing.

At the same time, understandably most career employees in the organization desperately wanted out. "At one time, almost everyone in here except myself and my secretary and those eligible to retire were on a lateral list," the supply chief noted.

"Without a core of dedicated employees within Supply Division," he continued, "we could not have maintained a satisfactory level of support to our customers."

"There are a number who I can name who have remained with the division over the past five years and are here till the last day. They're out there right now doing what is necessary to ensure an orderly transition" to the contractor.

As a result of contracting, Jones' division will drop from a personnel strength of 151 down to 67. "We're looking forward to a bright future for supply and a continued high level of efficient customer support," he said.

Dave Marty, chief of Graphic Arts Branch, says his work has been a challenge but quickly adds, "I think the frustration overwhelmed the challenge."

He recites a litany of difficulties: "All the restrictions we were working under. . . They were constantly changing our marching orders. . . The frustration of dealing with the day-to-day problems. . ."

Staffing headaches

Staffing problems were the worst headache. "We had tremendous difficulty trying to hold our best people. They were accepting any offers made to them," Marty said.

Replacing those who left was not easy. "The biggest problem was getting people interested in coming into a

group with no future," he said. Some staff positions had six or seven different incumbents.

Marty said that as his staff dwindled in both size and experience, the only way to handle the workload was to use overtime and he drew fire for that. A lack of understanding of the creative process and the people who execute it led to "impossible demands" being put on the artistic staff.

He credits a group of "extremely dedicated people" with getting the job done and keeping customers satisfied despite all the problems. "Here at the end some of our most dedicated were temporaries and I'm pleased that the contractor is getting some of them," Marty said.

"I regret we couldn't have kept our fine people in-house and continued doing what we feel was a good job for our customers," he said.

Given a job to do and deprived of the people to do it with, Facilities Engineer Paul Hancock candidly acknowledges that events in RASA have left him in a state of "despair and frustration".

"We were never at full staffing, our workload increased and the lack of job security caused transfers and many of our good people left," he said.

Proud of people

"I'm proud of our people. . . With the people we have left we've been able to maintain mission integrity and perform essential functions," the facilities engineer said.

Contracting eliminated about 75 percent of the jobs on the Facilities Engineering staff. Many were highly-skilled trade and craft workers who wound up in clerk and messenger jobs because their skills could not be utilized elsewhere in the Missile Command.

The Facilities Engineering staff now consists of a professional engineering and management group of 107 located in building 7613, and 45 firemen.

Jim Capley, chief of Photographic Branch, is another RASA supervisor who credits good people with doing a good job through a bad time.

"Here on the tail end the employees have really showed me how they could produce. I've always had a lot of respect for them and they've really come through to keep this operation going," said Capley, pointing out that his group has been working for several weeks at less than one-third strength.

"I'm really surprised that they've plugged like they have, considering the adverse circumstances they've been under. For the last three years they've been wondering what they'd be doing tomorrow. They've been under tremendous stress ever since this contract thing started," the photo chief said.

Watching the photo group break up is difficult, said Capley, "because most of us have been together since the '50s." The contractor will take over photo lab operations in building 5451 while Capley will move to building 7816 with a staff of six to support the test and evaluation mission.

"I'm relieved to get out from under that up there because we've been under so much pressure," Capley said.

The past five years have also been a period of difficulty and hard work for Civilian Personnel Office, particularly the RIF team which has borne the heavy responsibility of protecting the rights of workers during the various reduction-in-force scenarios that had to be considered as events unfolded.

The RIF team was responsible for seeing "that rights of employees were protected, letters delivered, employees properly placed in the priority placement program and that personnel actions were completed, processed and disseminated," according to Kay Whitaker, co-leader with Carolyn Tripp of the seven-member RIF team.

"We had the support of the entire Civilian Personnel Office, and managers of RASA, the commissary and MICOM to accomplish this," she added.

Time has blurred the distinctions between where specific events picked up and left off during this long-running RIF but Whitaker has a novel perspective of the time she has spent on it. She started working on it at the same time her son, Devin, entered high school. He graduated this year.

- Correction

William Wilson, a Boy Scout who recently earned the Eagle award, was incorrectly identified in a story and caption in the Sept. 18 issue of the *Rocket*.

He is the son of Maj. William and Mun Wilson and was one of three members of the arsenal's Troop 308 who earned the Eagle award. This is the highest award a boy under 18 can earn in the Scouting program.

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MICOM officer faces federal indictment

BIRMINGHAM — A federal grand jury indicted a MICOM officer last week on two counts of converting government property to his own use.

U.S. Attorney Frank Donaldson said Lt. Col. Dicky A. Love would be tried the week of Dec. 2 before U.S. District Judge James Hancock. The maximum penalty on each count of the federal indictment is 10 years in prison and a \$10,000 fine.

Love is a special assistant to the commander of Redstone Arsenal Support Activity.

Donaldson said the first count of the indictment

charged Love with "utilizing for his own use a research report which had been prepared under contract for the U.S. government."

The second count charged he "converted to his own use answers to a final exam for a doctoral degree knowing said answers to have been prepared by others who charged the United States for them."

The indictment said the offenses took place in the spring of 1981. Love at that time was chief of the Copperhead Technical Management Office. He left Redstone that summer for a tour in Korea and returned here in June 1982.

Contract competition results in savings

Competing contractors to get the best price has enabled the Targets Management Office to save 30 percent on the cost of a small jet engine and cut the total price of a services contract in half.

Until this year, MICOM bought the MQM-107 target drone from Beech Aircraft Corp. as a complete item. Then, according to John Irvin, targets program manager, it was decided to break out the engines for the drones and buy them direct from the company that made them.

Competing two qualified producers, MICOM awarded a contract to the low bidder, Teledyne Continental Aeronautical Engineering, buying 127 engines for a unit price of \$53,000 each. That's \$23,700 less than the government paid Beech in fiscal 1984.

MICOM now will buy the engines direct and provide them to Beech to install in the MQM-107 airframes.

Total savings for fiscal 1985 are \$3,012,440. Irvin said the contract with Teledyne Continental has options for 175 more engines at the same unit price over the next two years. If those options are exercised, there will be additional savings of \$4.1 million.

In a second action, Irvin said MICOM has awarded a flight services contract to Continental RPVs for \$538,755 to fly radio-controlled scale model aircraft used as targets for firing exercises at the National Training Center at Fort Irwin, Calif. The same service cost \$1.14 million in 1983. Continental RPVs had won the contract then in a competition. Irvin said there were several additional companies bidding for the job this year and competition was intense.

Soldiers get training in fighting ammo fires

BY JEFF WATSON

If a fire were to break out in your work area what is the first thing you would do?

For AIT students at the Ordnance Missile and Munitions Center and School training to become ammunition specialists (55B), a unique class helps prepare them for that type of an emergency.

The class is called "Fighting Fires Involving Ammo and Explosives." The purpose of the class is to give the 55B students a realistic training exercise in the correct procedures to use if a fire breaks out within an ammunition supply point, or ASP.

Prior to receiving the firefighting class near the end of their course, the 55B students are taught all phases of ammunition handling, including storage, issue, maintenance, destruction, identification, and how ammo and explosives function.

During the firefighting class the students are briefed in the proper procedures of a fire situation. Firefighting safety, use of tools, fire characteristics, and firefighting techniques are covered before the students are given the opportunity to fight their own ASP fire.

"I think this type of training is very valuable because you test the students reaction to the situation of a fire in the ASP," said SFC Charles Sistrunk, NCOIC of ASP-1. "I believe it also gives the students a good idea of what it's like to fight a fire in an ASP, and an idea of their reaction time."

Immediately after their briefing a fire was set and the alarm sounded. Members of Class 55B10 grabbed their assigned firefighting tools and attacked the fire, quickly getting it under control before extinguishing it.

"I think this kind of training is essential for people who haven't fought fires before. I think there is a need for more fire training because the experience is important," said PFC Joe Fusile, a student from the Marine Detachment.

"The training is excellent. We know what to do if a fire breaks out," Pvt. Julia Carpenter of the 8th Student Company said. "Things are always different when you are actually doing them, instead of just talking about it."

Hopefully this type of hands-on training will give the students a better understanding of how to handle fire situations, something they all agreed they would like to have more training in.



BRIEFING — SSgt. Clair Tait, primary instructor, briefs Class 55B10 in the proper procedures to use in handling a fire situation.



TRAINING — Members of Class 55B10 put to use their class work in firefighting



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Nineteen fined for DUI, two also get jail time

Nineteen people were fined for driving under the influence in Magistrates Court action Sept. 19, according to the staff judge advocate office.

Two of them also received jail time. Besides the fines, all 19 were assessed an additional \$25 fee for the victim restitution fund.

The SJA office provided the following list:

- Franklin Coffey, of 383 Trinity Lane, Trinity, Ala., received a \$500 fine, six months probation, and ordered to attend DUI School.
- Leah M. Jones, of 9201 Navios Drive, received a \$500 fine and two years probation.
- Sang K. Raker, of 3923 Thomas Road, received a \$500 fine and 48 hours in jail.
- Sgt. Daniel T. Stevens, of B Company, received a \$500 fine with \$150 suspended, six months probation, and DUI School.
- Forrest L. Stewart, of P.O. Box 24, Madison, received 10 days in jail and a \$1,000 fine.
- PFC Rosario Alverio, of 7th Student Company, was fined \$500 with \$150 suspended, six months probation, and DUI School.
- PFC Clinton L. Blankenship, of 4th Student Company, was fined \$500 with \$150 suspended, six months probation, and DUI School.
- Sgt. Gregory A. Brennum, of MEDDAC, was fined \$500 with \$150 suspended, six months probation, and DUI School.
- Sp4 Gregory A. Haney, of HHC MICOM, was fined \$500 with \$150 suspended, six months probation, and DUI School.
- Sp4 Charles J. Henderson, of 6th Student Company, was fined \$500 with \$150 suspended, six months probation, and DUI School.
- Pvt. Marvin B. Henry, of MEDDAC, was fined \$500 with \$150 suspended, six months probation, and DUI School.
- Pvt. David S. Higginbotham, of 7th Student Company, was fined \$500 with \$150 suspended, six months probation, and DUI School.
- Kimberly G. Hitson, of 1321 Tower View St. Apt. 508, Decatur, was fined \$500 with \$150 suspended, six months probation, and DUI School.
- Christopher A. Miller, of 490 Cooke Drive,

Redstone, was fined \$500 with \$150 suspended, six months probation, and DUI School.

— Pvt. Terry A. Musquiz, of HHC MICOM, was fined \$500 with \$150 suspended, six months probation, and DUI School.

— SSgt. Bruce E. Norman, of TMDE Support Group, was fined \$500 with \$150 suspended, six months probation, and DUI School.

— Sp4 Rebecca M. Smith, of 6th Student Company, was fined \$500 with \$150 suspended, six months probation, and DUI School.

— Laverne Spearman, of TMDE Support Group, was fined \$500 with \$150 suspended, six months probation, and DUI School.

— Sgt. George A. Vallejo, of 7th Student Company, was fined \$500 with six months probation.

Soda machine break-in results in jail term

A former contractor employee has been sentenced to 13 months in jail for taking money from two soda machines on post.

Roy McBryde Jr., 24, pleaded guilty to the theft of more than \$25, according to the U.S. attorney's office in Birmingham. He was sentenced to 13 months with condition that he make restitution to Coca Cola Company for \$300.

At about 11:30 p.m. Feb. 23 "he entered Thiokol

area and broke into two soda machines and he stole exactly \$26.55," said John Garceau, a criminal investigator in Security Directorate. He caused \$300 damage to the Coke machines by prying them open, Garceau added.

McBryde was barred from the post by a June 27 letter from Redstone officials. He pleaded guilty to the larceny charge in U.S. District Court in Birmingham on July 29.

Minor illness clinic schedules appointments

Scheduled appointments for the Acute Minor Illness Clinic are now available at Fox Army Community Hospital for active duty family members and for retirees and their family members who are not enrolled in the Family Practice Clinic. Call 876-8289 for appointments.

Appointments are available 8-11:30 a.m. and 1-4 p.m. Most appointments can be made for the same day or the next day. Patients can avoid a long wait by calling ahead, since non-emergency patients who come for treatment without an appointment will be seen at the end of the day or earlier if a physician has a cancella-

tion. Non-emergency patients arriving after 4 p.m. will be asked to come back the next day.

While the Acute Minor Illness Clinic is located in the Emergency Room area, hospital officials state that patients should not use the Emergency Room entrance but should use one of the other hospital entrances and come to the Emergency Room desk.

Scheduled appointments for the Acute Minor Illness Clinic is an attempt to cut down on waiting time for non-emergency patients and stop misuse of the emergency room in the evening and at night, according to hospital officials.



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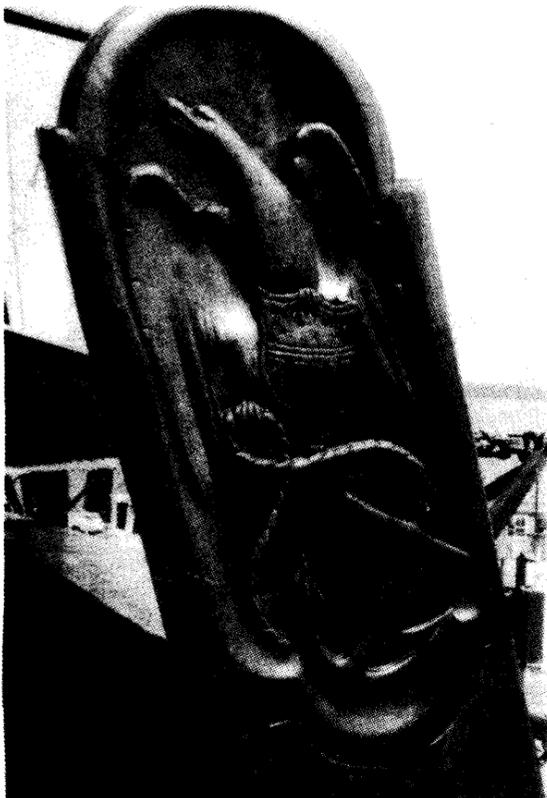
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USS Constitution on active duty after 188 years

By Sgt. Maj. Rudi Williams
USA American Forces Information Service

The stately lady will be 188 years old on October 21. And she's still on active duty! She fought...and won...America's first great naval battles. Now the stately lady—the USS Constitution—floats permanently in a place of honor at the site of her birth in Boston Harbor.



A "boarding plank" that is used for ceremonies and to greet visitors as they walk up the gangway to board the USS Constitution.

The Constitution—oldest commissioned warship afloat in the world—never lost a battle, never was boarded by the enemy and never had a cannonball penetrate her sides in 48 battles against the French, the Barbary pirates and the British. She captured 21 ships during her career on the high seas.

Constructed of live oak, red cedar, white oak, pitch pine and locust, Constitution was designed as a 44-gun, 1,576-ton frigate "powerful enough to defeat any enemy of comparable size and fast enough to outrun all larger adversaries." She was one of six war vessels ordered by Congress on March 27, 1794.

The original cost to build her was \$302,718, which is comparable to the cost of one aircraft today.

She earned the affectionate name "Old Ironsides" during the War of 1812 when a sailor yelled: "Huzzah, her sides are made of iron," as cannonballs from the British frigate Guerriere bounced off her planking. It took Constitution only 30 minutes to sink Guerriere.

Launched at Boston on Oct. 21, 1797, Constitution saw her first combat in 1803 against Barbary pirates off the north coast of Africa. Her last great fight occurred on Feb. 20, 1815, against the British frigate Cyane and the sloop Levant. She captured both ships.

The battle-scarred heroine was anchored in New York on May 15, 1815. She was laid up for nearly six years for extensive repairs, after which she made two cruises to the Mediterranean.

After being reported unseaworthy in 1830, the Constitution was condemned to be broken up. In effect, the government was planning to do what the naval forces of several nations and a gang of pirates couldn't. But a poem by Oliver Wendell Holmes entitled "Old Ironsides" aroused such popular feeling that money was appropriated to rebuild her.

Constitution made numerous voyages between 1835 and 1855, including a cruise around the world in 1844-45, when she covered 52,279 miles in 495 days at sea.

Pope Pius IX became the first pontiff to step on U.S. territory when he boarded the Constitution at Naples, Italy, in 1849. Rebuilt at Philadelphia, Pa., in 1871, she went on her last trip abroad in 1878, carrying American goods to the Universal Exposition at Paris.

Her long career at sea ended in December 1881, and she was returned to her birthplace in Boston for her centennial celebration in 1897.

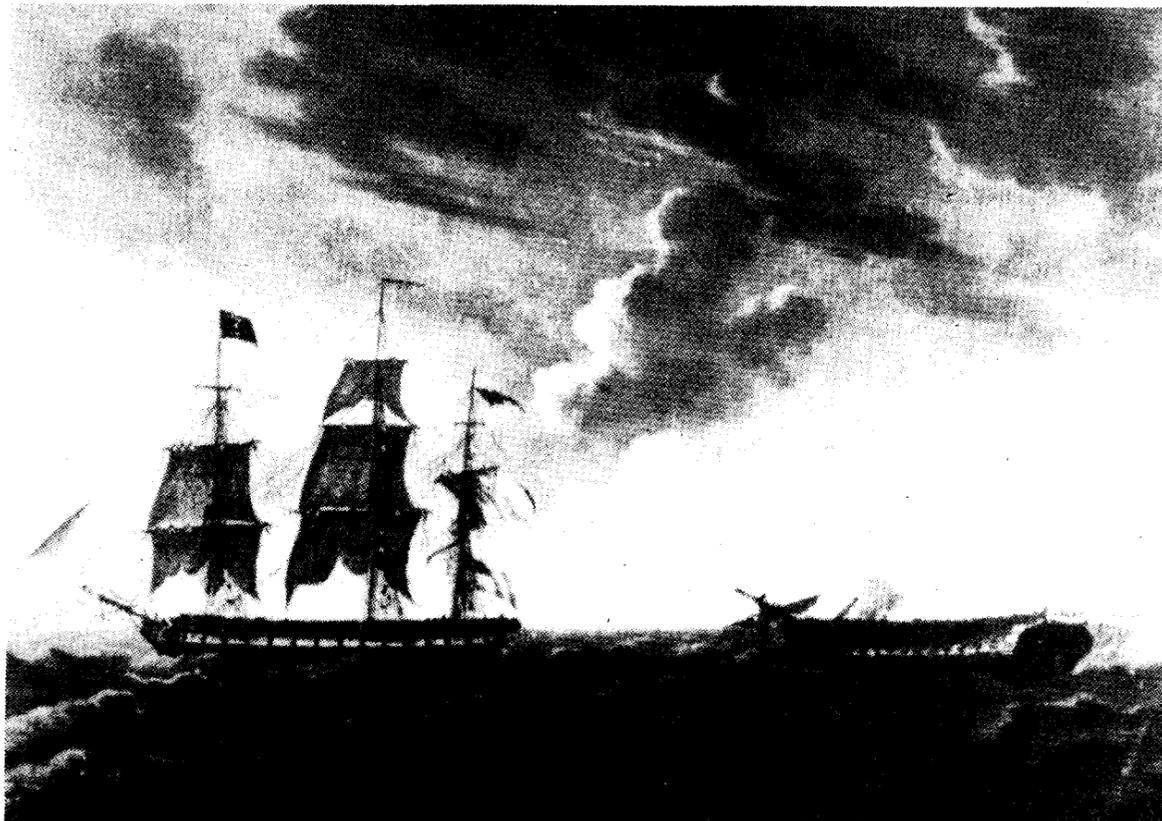
Her timbers gradually rotting away, Constitution was again threatened with destruction in 1905, but once again public sentiment came to her rescue. Constitution was partially restored with funds donated by Americans, a large portion of which was raised by schoolchildren. Congress appropriated matching funds.

"Old Ironsides" was towed to 80 seaports around the country, covering more than 22,000 miles, starting on July 2, 1931. After hosting more than 4.5 million visitors, she returned to the Charlestown Navy Yard on May 7, 1934, directly across Boston Harbor from the shipyard where she had been built 137 years earlier.

She has been there ever since and was shipshape in time for America's Bicentennial.

Today, Constitution never sails out of Boston Harbor because "any ship at sea is at risk," said

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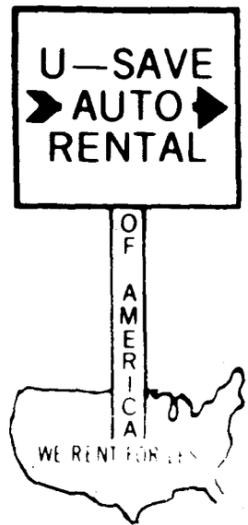
Life doesn't get any easier for Gerry Faust and Notre Dame.

They dropped to 1-2 by losing to Purdue last week. Their season opened with a loss to Michigan followed by a win over Michigan State. Now the Irish must travel to take on Air Force, a 4-0 team that has handled them well in recent years.

Last year the Air Force Falcons whipped them 21-7. The Irish need a win badly to keep the alumni wolves off Coach Faust. They probably won't get it this week, however. The pick here is...Air Force.

Skip's Picks last week resulted in a 22-11-1 record, bringing the season totals to 85-42-4. Here are this week's picks for selected games in major college football:

- Notre Dame at Air Force— AF by 7.
- Southern Methodist at Arizona— SMU by 10.
- Arizona State at UCLA— UCLA by 3.
- Arkansas at Texas Christian— Ark. by 14.
- Yale at Army— Army by 21.
- Ole Miss at Auburn— Auburn by 13.
- Baylor at Houston— Baylor by 7.
- Boston College at Rutgers— BC by 4.
- Brigham Young at Colorado State— BYU by 21.
- California at Missouri— Cal by 7.
- Temple at Cincinnati— Temple by 10.
- Clemson at Kentucky— Ky. by 3.
- Duke at Virginia— Virginia by 14.
- Miami (Fla.) at E. Carolina— Miami by 21.
- Florida at Louisiana State— LSU by 3.
- North Carolina at Ga. Tech— Tech by 10.
- Ohio State at Illinois— OSU by 7.
- Northwestern at Indiana— Ind. by 13.
- Virginia Tech at West Virginia— WVa. by 14.
- Michigan State at Iowa— Iowa by 21.
- Oklahoma at Kansas State— Okla. by 14.
- Louisville at Syracuse— Syracuse by 7.
- Maryland at N.C. State— Maryland by 21.
- Memphis State at Mississippi State— Miss by 7.
- Wisconsin at Michigan— Michigan by 17.
- Purdue at Minnesota— Purdue by 10.
- New Mexico at Nebraska— Nebraska by 40.
- Tulsa at Okla. State— Okla. State by 24.
- Washington at Oregon— Wash. by 17.
- Oregon State at Southern Cal— USC by 14.
- South Carolina at Pitt— Carolina by 7.
- Rice at Texas— Texas by 30.
- Stanford at San Diego State— Stanford by 7.
- Wake Forest at Tennessee— Tenn. by 28.
- Texas A&M at Texas Tech— Texas A&M by 14.
- Vanderbilt at Tulane— Vandy by 3.



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Cocaine use blows career chances

By Evelyn D. Harris
American Forces Information Service

Experts believe that 5,000 persons a day try cocaine for the first time and that at least one-fourth of them go on to become regular users.

How many of these users are in the military? According to Army Lt. Col. William Cline, "Drug abuse in the military echoes that of the civilian population, but the rates are not nearly as high because the career consequences are so serious. You can have an excellent record for 15 years, and then have one positive urine test for cocaine and you're out — there goes your retirement and everything."

Drug policy varies slightly from service to service. One spokesperson noted that the drug policy was basically written with marijuana in mind, and that personnel abusing a drug such as cocaine would normally be dealt with more harshly.

Generally, officers and senior enlisted personnel are separated after they are first identified as drug users (normally by urinalysis). Junior enlisted personnel, at the discretion of the first-line commander, can be given a second chance if there is potential for future service.

Those who do get a second chance may be sent to a treatment center such as the Naval Drug Rehabilitation Center, San Diego. The Marine Corps has a policy of helping its members with a drug problem get treatment, but Marines who have been separated get treatment through the Veterans Administration.

Jerry Synolde, executive director of the Naval Drug Rehabilitation Center, said that "Cocaine is the third drug of choice among our patients (following alcohol and marijuana.)" So far, his facility "has not done any research that indicates that our patients with a cocaine problem have any less potential for recovery than abusers of any other drug," he said.

"We're concerned because of the strong compulsion to use cocaine — we've never seen anything like it."

Part of cocaine's mystique, says Navy Master Chief Petty Officer Palmer Black, after-care coordinator at the Naval Drug Rehabilitation Center, is its "Hollywood image as a drug of the rich. Of course, that's a misnomer now that the price has come down."

In fact, a 1983 poll found that half as many blue collar workers as professionals had tried cocaine.

Although heroin has long had a deserved bad press, cocaine has had a reputation as relatively harmless, nonaddictive drug. But according to National Institute of Drug Abuse director Dr. William Pollin, "Recent discoveries concerning the common central nervous system target it shares with heroin... and its uniquely high level of reinforcement lead to the conclusion that it (cocaine) is powerfully addictive and extremely dangerous."



Drug can be problem for the first time user

Researchers have found that monkeys will take cocaine instead of food and water until the point of death and have also discovered that rats with unlimited access to cocaine have almost three times the mortality rate as rats with unlimited access to heroin.

And humans aren't doing much better. According to National Abuse Director Dr. William Pollin, cocaine-related deaths in the United States rose by 91 percent from 1980 through 1983.

Cocaine can be a problem, even for first time users. Illegal cocaine is always "cut" (adulterated) and some of the additives can cause harmful reaction of their own. If a person accidentally takes an overdose, acute cocaine toxicity can result — the user may experience extremely rapid heart rate, abdominal pain, convulsions and even death. When cocaine is "free-based" — mixed with flammable solvents to con-

vert it to a purer form that is smoked — there is a danger of explosion and fire.

Cocaine reaches the brain quickly — three minutes if snorted, 30 seconds if injected, and even quicker if free-based. The brief — usually 30 minute — feeling of elation, increased strength, self-confidence and alertness is often followed by feelings of fatigue and sadness. Compulsive users take cocaine frequently to try to avoid the crash. Former professional football star Carl Eller said that for him, the "low" following a cocaine high was much lower than any he'd ever experienced before using cocaine.

Heavy cocaine users become irritable, restless and extremely suspicious. Some persons experience hallucinations — the feeling that their body is crawling with insects — "cocaine bugs." Heavy chronic use can lead to cocaine psychosis — extreme paranoia and detachment from reality.

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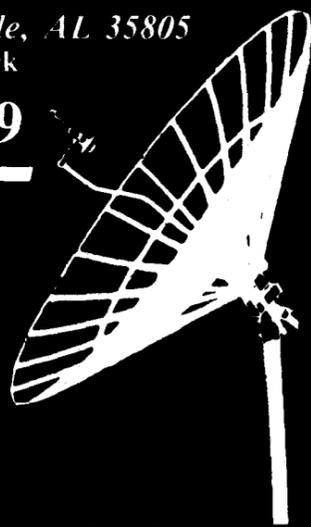
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If you like to sing, Redstone's chapel choirs want you.

The Protestant Choirs of Post and Bicentennial Chapels are looking for new members for both chorus and solo parts for the Christmas cantata "Dawn of Promise" by Walter Harrah. The performance is set for Dec. 15 at 9 a.m. at Post Chapel and at 10:45 a.m. at Bicentennial Chapel.

The Catholic Choir, which performs folk-style music every Sunday at 9:30 a.m. at Bicentennial Chapel, is also seeking new members. The Catholic Choir will sing at the midnight Mass on Christmas Eve.

Greta Champlin, Protestant Choir director, says the music for the Dec. 15 Christmas cantata is "enjoyable

choral singing in the contemporary classical style."

Both men and women are needed for the Protestant choirs. Rehearsals are held Wednesdays at Post Chapel. The Bicentennial Choir rehearses from 6:30-7 p.m.; the combined choirs rehearse from 7-8 p.m.; and the Post Choir practices from 8-8:30 p.m. New members may join at the rehearsals. It is not necessary to try out. For more information call the Post Chapel 876-2409.

Pam Tucker is the new choir director for the Catholic Choir. Those interested in joining her choir should attend the rehearsals held every Wednesday at 7 p.m. at Bicentennial Chapel. No try-out is required. For more information on the Catholic Choir, call Bicentennial Chapel 876-5707.

Specialists five and six get NCO stripes

About 340 specialists five and six assigned to local Army activities joined their counterparts Army-wide in donning sergeant stripes Oct. 1.

As of that date, the Army has eliminated the specialist five and six ranks. The specialists five put on sergeant's stripes while the specialists six put on staff sergeant's stripes. Under the new policy, specialists will be retained only at the E-4 level.

The decision to convert Sp5 and Sp6 soldiers to hard stripe NCOs was made because senior specialists, by virtue of their technical skill, must exercise leadership with respect to their specialty, according to Army officials. By making all E-5s and E-6s noncommissioned officers, officials felt it would end confusion. In the past an E-5 could be either a specialist five or an E-5 sergeant. Someone promoted to E-5 sergeant would be over a specialist five even though the specialist five might have spent more time in grade and service.

The specialists tended to feel they did not get the respect they would receive if they were hard stripe NCOs.

"You felt like an E-4. Most people think you don't know what you're doing, they don't bother to respect your rank," said laterally-appointed Sgt. Debra Arvin, a maintenance clerk with the vehicle maintenance section at OMMCS. She added that she never liked being a specialist five, especially when she had to work with people.

The lateral appointment action will not cost the soldiers anything, according to supply officials. The cost for the new insignia and sewing service will be paid by the government.

Some 40 members of HHC MICOM were scheduled to get their stripes during the unit's monthly formation Oct. 1, according to CSM Robert Whiteford.

Elections planned in several states

Several states have scheduled primary and general elections during October and November.

In Louisiana, primary and proposition elections will be held Oct. 19. Nov. 16 has been set aside for general elections.

Elections are scheduled in four states on Nov. 5. Colorado is holding elections in 50 municipalities; Kentucky has set general elections to fill district judgeships and county and city offices; Virginia will elect a governor and various other state and commonwealth officers; and Iowa will hold a general election following primaries in certain municipalities on Oct. 15.

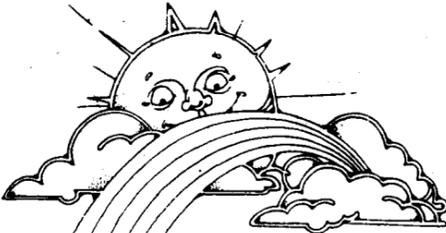
More information on the elections and absentee voting may be obtained from unit voting assistance counselors or by calling Autovon 224-4928.

Bowling standings

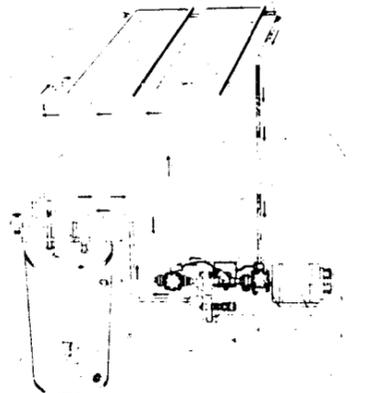
Here are the troop bowling standings after last week's games:

Team	Tuesday's Conference (Opens schedule on Oct. 1)	
	Won	Loss
Marines-2	23	2
7th Student Company	21	4
A Company (E&TTD)	19	6
C Company-2	16	9
B Company-1	16	9
6th Student Company-2	15	10
B Company-2	10	15
MEDDAC-2	9	16
MEDDAC-3	9	16
5th Student Company	6	19
MEDDAC-2	2	23
*MEDDAC-4	0	25

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High school diploma becoming a must

WASHINGTON — Soldiers who want to be promoted to sergeant will need a high school diploma or GED (General Education Diploma) equivalency as of March 1, 1987.

Mid-career soldiers, those below the rank of sergeant who are on their second or subsequent enlistment, will also need the high school credential to reenlist.

The policy change was made because approximately 90 percent of the enlisted soldiers now coming into the Army have high school diplomas, said Sgt. Maj. Dennis Smith of the enlisted programs branch of the deputy chief of staff for personnel in the Pentagon. "The soldier charged with training and leading them should have that level of education," he said.

Smith said that soldiers on the sergeant promotion list who do not meet this new requirement on March 1, 1987, will be removed from the list.

He added that soldiers shouldn't wait until the last minute to get their diplomas. "Local education centers and the soldier's first sergeant can provide all the details to meet the requirement," he said. (Arnews)

Exsecretary of Army gets West Point award

WASHINGTON — Former Secretary of the Army Frank Pace Jr. received this year's Sylvanus Thayer Award Sept. 26 at the U.S. Military Academy.

Established in 1958 in honor of Col. Sylvanus Thayer, known as "the father of the United States Military Academy," the award is presented annually to an outstanding citizen whose service and accomplishments exemplify the USMA motto, "Duty, honor, country."

Pace was recognized for his numerous accomplishments while serving the country in the military, in government service and the corporate world. A graduate of Princeton University and the Harvard University Law School, Pace was a member of the Army Air Corps during World War II and secretary of the Army during the Korean War. He also served as president and chairman of the board of the General Dynamics Corporation; held positions on many major federal commissions; and has been extremely active in educational, charitable and community service organizations.

Thayer, an 1808 graduate of the USMA and its fifth superintendent, instituted the reorganization of the academy in 1817, 15 years after its founding, and is responsible for the educational system which has been used there ever since. Past recipients of the Thayer award include former President Dwight D. Eisenhower, astronaut Neil Armstrong and entertainer Bob Hope. (Arnews)



FILMING — Some of the opening scenes of the film "Space Camp" were shot Sept. 14 on the arsenal airfield. The sequence included landing this World War II vintage Stearman trainer on the grass beside the runway. (Photo Courtesy of Robert Durnavant Jr.)

Five-mile racers include soldier in chemical gear

James Burnham led a field of runners, including a soldier in a chemical protective suit, in the second annual MICOM-NCOA five mile run held Saturday, Sept. 28.

Burnham finished in 27 minutes, 14 seconds to beat 160 other competitors. The race started and ended in front of the HHC MICOM barracks. Kathrun Weigel was the top female finisher in 30:26.

Capt. Bill Knoll of 8th Student Company ran the five miles in 41 minutes while wearing an Army chemical protective suit. This suit, known as mission oriented protective posture or MOPP-4, includes an over jacket, over pants, protective mask and protective gloves.

"He did it to show it could be done. His company

was training in the field that day so he just wore it in from the field," said 1st Lt. Marjorie Doty, executive officer for Headquarters and Headquarters Company. "Just for him to finish (the race) was admirable."

The race started at 8 a.m. in "beautiful, cool" weather, said Doty, a race coordinator who finished in 36:21 to place second in her age group. The runners started out to the taped theme of "Rocky."

Trophies were awarded to the first, second and third place finishers in each age group. Here are the age group winners:

Males— (age 15-19) Whitney Byers, 27:22; (age 20-29) James Burnham, 27:14; (30-39) Phil Logan, time not available; (40-49) Carl Senkbaillo, time not available; (50 plus) Tom White, 32:35. Females— (0-19) Karen Allgood, 43:15; (20-29) Kathrun Weigel, 30:26; (30-39) Sandy Shellor, 34:55; (40 plus) Alene Park, 34:58.



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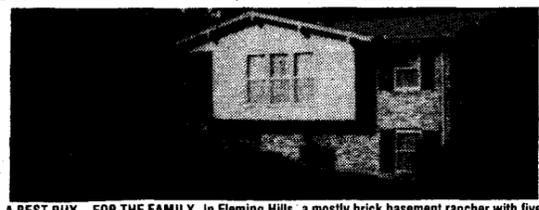
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Now here's the problem: when all the planets are in conjunction, they exert tremendous gravitational pull on each other. Our earth is in a kind of gigantic tug-of-war with the sun, Venus and Mercury on one side of us and Mars, Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus, Neptune and Pluto on the other. The scientific community believes this has caused some tremendous solar flares, higher tides, earthquakes and tidal waves, and increases in volcanic action.

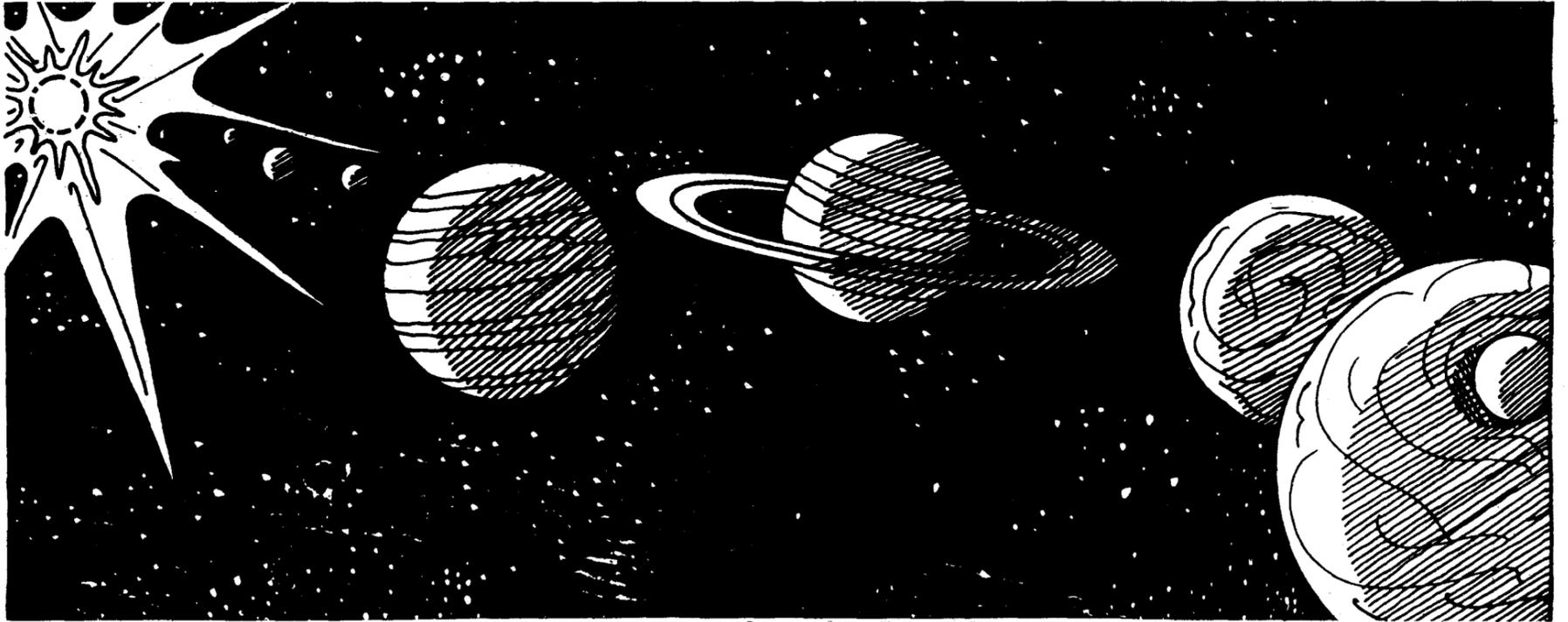
A syzygy takes several years to complete: two or three years for the planets to begin to align, a period of two or three years when they are most closely aligned — the 'ultimate syzygy' — and then another two or three years when they drift apart. Our current syzygy began in 1978 and reached its maximum during the years 1982-1984, and will have run its course by the end of 1987.

What has happened since this syzygy started in 1978? Geophysicists at the Geological Survey's Earthquake Information Center in Colorado have reported more significant earthquakes during 1981-1984 than usual. One of the biggest quakes, reading 7.3 on the Richter scale occurred in 1979 in Algeria. This was followed by a second quake in Italy which registered 6.8 on the same scale. Some scientists have even speculated the Syzygy may have been

responsible for the awakening of Mt. St. Helens in Oregon.

"No one has ever demonstrated any correlation between the position of the planets and any increased earthquake or volcanic activity on earth," an official at the Geological Survey stated. The possibility exists, however, and if there is an increase in the number or intensity of earthquakes, or if another of earth's sleeping volcanic mountains awakens, such activity would certainly give rise to more speculation and conjecture on the role the Syzygy may have played.

One note of consolation: our solar system has gone through countless syzygies since the dawn of time, and this old earth hasn't stopped or been pulled out of orbit yet. The odds are excellent that we'll make it through this one, too!



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Military pay raise status

WASHINGTON — The proposed 3 percent military pay raise to be effective Oct. 1 was awaiting enactment of both the annual authorization act and a continuing resolution authority.

According to the director of the Army budget, the pay raise will be paid after both the fiscal year 1986 authorization act and the continuing resolution authority are signed by President Reagan.

In the event that the authorization act was not signed before Oct. 1, the pay raise will be retroactive to Oct. 1 once the act is signed. (Arnews)

Direct Washington flight now being offered

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The new Eastern flight essentially duplicates a service offered here for many years by United Airlines which allowed travelers to leave Huntsville in the morning, do a day's work at the Pentagon or elsewhere in Washington and return home early in the evening.

Since the United flight was cancelled about a year ago, there has been no local direct service to Washington, and Huntsville travelers have had to change planes either in Atlanta or Memphis and often fly into the less-convenient Dulles airport.



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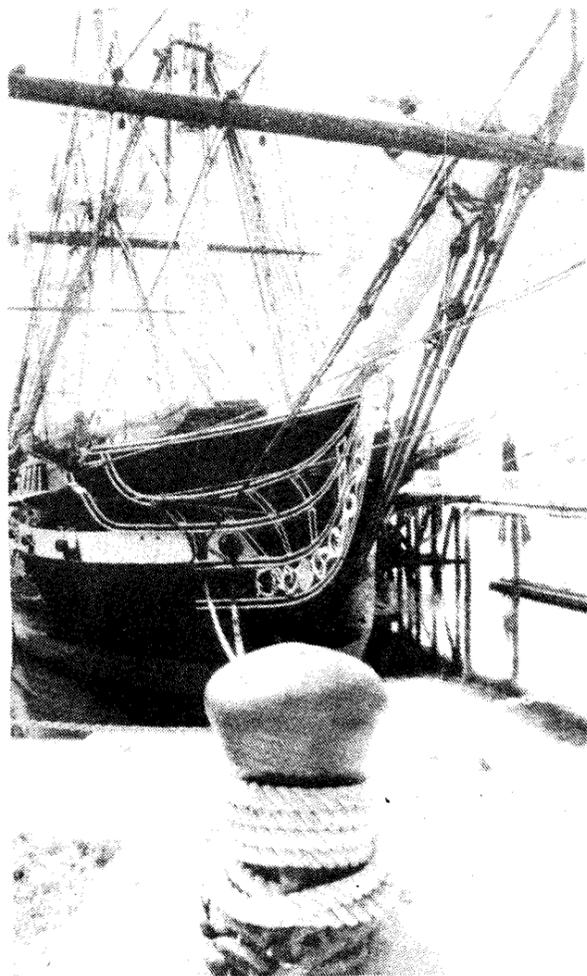
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"At noon on Independence Day, we fire the official 21-gun salute to the nation," said Sudholz.



The USS Constitution floats in her berth at the Charlestown Navy Yard in Boston Harbor.

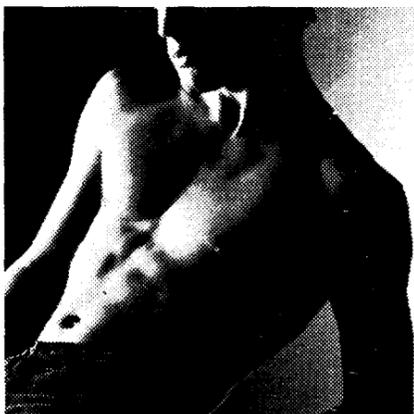
Industry representatives attend planning briefing

About 450 industry representatives from throughout the nation are attending MICOM's Advanced Planning Briefing to Industry today. The classified sessions began yesterday.

The American Defense Preparedness Association is handling administrative arrangements for the conference. MICOM's last such presentation to the industry which supports the Army missile and rocket programs was three years ago.

Today briefers from the Missile Research, Development and Engineering Center are detailing MICOM's in-house technology development efforts, interests and needs.

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Army has been settling influence for this soldier

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Alexander Hall was a young man in Toledo, Ohio who was working at a country club and living from day to day in the fast lane.

He decided to join the Army so he could get a skill and further his education. More than three years later, Hall has a high school equivalency certificate, a wife and a son, and a career as a soldier.

"I like the Army. I just want my chance to lead," says Sp4 Hall, who was named the Post Soldier of the Month for September. Since this summer he has been working in a tool room at OMMCS, getting ready for shipment the tools that were to be used to support the Sgt. York system.

Hall in June was a distinguished honor graduate from a 12-week Sgt. York instructor and key personnel course but the Army, of course, killed that air defense system. He was awaiting orders at the time.

"I probably want to move on to bigger and better things," he says, referring to his present job. "I mean it's a job that needs to be done right now."

The 22-year-old soldier was born in Germany and lived from time to time in Toledo. His father, Fritz, was in the Army for 20 years. The family stayed in Toledo while Fritz was in Vietnam. "When he retired in '77, we moved to Toledo," Hall says. His father, who retired as a sergeant first class, runs "Fritz's Butcher Block" in Toledo. His mother, Margo, is a

jeweler. Hall has a 25-year-old brother, Ramon, who lives in Chicago.

Hall attended Bowsher High School in Toledo. He worked for a year before joining the Army in February 1982. "I just didn't have a skill," he recalls. "It used to be a man could get hired doing a lot of things, just by being a warm body. Nowadays if you don't know anything, you can't expect to get hired."

After basic training at Fort Jackson, S.C., he came to Redstone in May 1982 to be trained in Nike-Hercules launcher repair. He left here in February 1983 and was assigned to Fort Bliss, Texas and then to an air defense unit in Germany. He returned to Redstone in February 1985. "The Army's going to be a career," he says.

"There's nothing more important than the defense of the nation," Hall says. "I also feel that the Army is only as good as the people that are in it." He adds that the leadership manual is the most important manual in the Army and should be followed.

The C Company soldier's hobbies include cars, motorcycles, darts and music. He and his wife Adriana, a former soldier from Detroit who he met at Fort Bliss, have a 15-month-old son, Alexander Jr.

"I just want to be happy. I just want to take care of my family," Hall says. "I want to make sure my son—just like every father—is better than me."



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Managers monitored on equal opportunity practices

The merit pay appraisal program includes checking whether supervisors eligible for the money award have followed equal employment opportunity rules.

"Managers are required to have in their standards an EEO element," said Charles Ray, MICOM EEO officer. "If they receive a rating of higher than fully successful, those appraisal forms are sent through here, through the EEO office, and we simply check that section that's pertinent to EEO to see if the standard has been met or exceeded according to the record that we have accumulated in monitoring the program."

A merit pay supervisor recently expressed his feeling that the command's EEO practices are discriminatory because supervisors are reported for reward if they hire or promote blacks and females.

"The Missile Command checks all minorities but we only set goals and timetables for those minorities or women who are under-represented in the MICOM work force," Ray said, when asked about these practices.

Everyone who comes to a manager on a hiring list is qualified or he or she would not be on the list, Ray

said, and a manager has the option to select anybody on the list. "In the process of selection, we would hope that he would consider his under-representation, if he has under-representation in his work force," he added.

Under-representation means the number of workers of a certain race or sex is not representative of the number in the general population. Programs such as the equal employment opportunity element for merit pay appraisal benefit "the government and the country," Ray said.

"We're trying to achieve equity so that all people are represented essentially in proportion to their numbers in the population. Government, after all, does not operate in a vacuum," he said.

The intent of programs such as EEO merit pay appraisal, which occurs once a year, is to help the command meet its goals. "The commanding general has certain goals to meet, and this happens to be one," Ray said. "We simply keep the score so that we can advise the commander of those managers and supervisors who are either helping to meet the goals or hindering."



EEO — Charles Ray is the Missile's Command's Equal Employment Opportunity officer.

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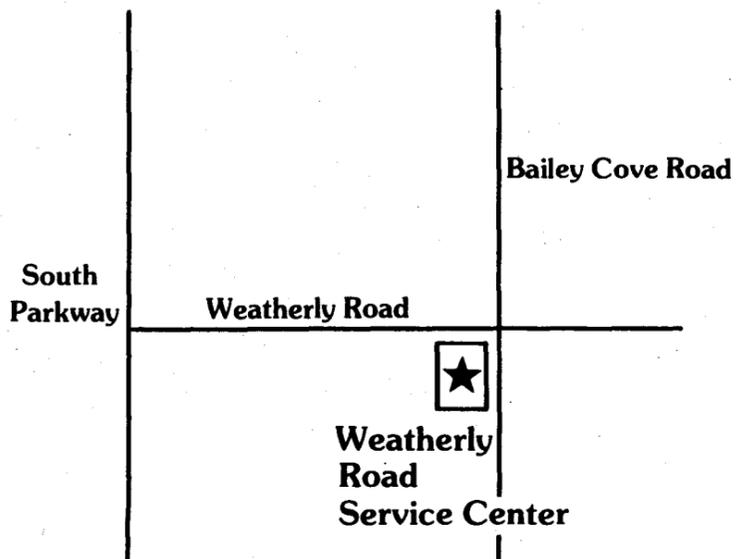


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Saddle club sets rated show Saturday

An English-riding, horse show is set for 8 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 5 at the Redstone Saddle Club.

"It's the first rated show that we've had. The competitors get points and this goes toward the state championship," said Madelyn Poteat, a club member. The competition is rated with the Hunter Jumper Association of Alabama. At the end of the year, competitors can get a statewide award if they have earned enough points during the season.

The judge for this show will be Kay Redmon, who was one of the original members of the saddle club here.

Entry fee is \$9 a class on the day of the show. Horses must have had a negative Coggins test within the past year.

"Any English rider is welcome to compete in it," Poteat said. "There's no admission charge for spectators. The public is welcome and there's food available on the grounds."

The show will be held at the saddle club which is located off Rideout Road and less than a mile from Gate 9. For more information call show chairman Pam Schofield 837-8399 or manager Debbie Harmon 837-4634.

Youth soccer

Here are the standings for American Youth Soccer Organization (AYSO) Region 388, Redstone Arsenal, for the week ending Sept. 28:

Eisenhower League (under 10)				
	Won	Loss	Tie	Points
Bobcats	3	1	1	7
Chargers	3	1	1	7
Sharks	1	3	1	3
Cobras	1	4	0	2
Bradley League (under 12)				
	Won	Loss	Tie	Points
Yellow Jackets	4	1	0	8
Lasers	3	2	0	6
McArthur League (under 14)				
	Won	Loss	Tie	Points
Cosmos	4	0	0	8
Panthers	1	3	0	2
Pershing League (under 16)				
	Won	Loss	Tie	Points
RSA-I	0	3	0	0

Program spotlights streamlining initiative

A three-hour presentation on "The Streamlining Initiative" to reduce the cost and time in systems acquisition has been scheduled here by the southern regional office of the Defense Systems Management College.

Brent A. Hardesty, corporate director for aerospace management systems at McDonnell Douglas in St. Louis, will conduct the program Oct. 16 from 9 a.m. to 12 noon in Rocket auditorium on Redstone Road. Seating capacity is 400 and those wanting to attend should make reservations at least one week in advance by calling Dr. Jay Billings, DSMC southern region director, or Doreen Jurgielewicz at 876-2730/2753.

The program is free and should be of interest to individuals involved in the acquisition process.

Redstone golfer gets his first hole-in-one

A retired Army civilian last week made his first hole-in-one in more than 40 years of playing golf.

Jerry Crumrine used a 4-iron to make the shot on the 181-yard, eighth hole of the Redstone Arsenal course about 9 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 24. He usually plays there Tuesdays with three other retirees (Hal Stevens, F. Kirby and Lloyd Jackson).

"First one in over 40 years so I'm very happy about it," Crumrine said. "They don't happen very often."

"We were not certain that the ball went into the hole. I thought the ball hit the green and rolled a ways," he said. "F. Kirby looked in the hole and pulled up the stake and, of course, the ball was in there. My reaction was a 'Wahoop!' Quite excited."

Crumrine, 62, retired in 1979 as chief of the policy, plans and programs division in the MICOM Logistics Directorate. He had worked here since 1957. He and his wife Phyllis have four children, three of whom are married and the fourth a student at the University of Alabama in Tuscaloosa.



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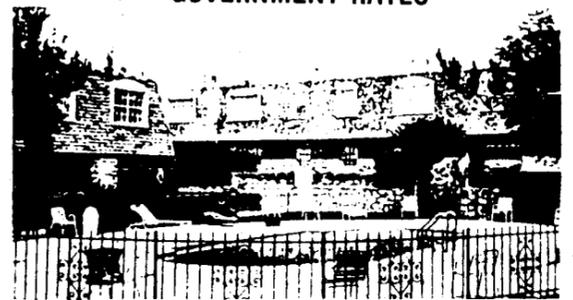
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The annual supply management civilian career program screening panel will convene in Arlington, Va. Dec. 3-10 to evaluate employees eligible for referral to GM/GS-14 and GM/GS-15 positions. Career appraisal packages should be sent by Oct. 9 to Willena Richardson at AMSMI-LC-MM in building 5681. For information or forms call 876-1531/1411.

Lupus group

Dr. Macon Phillips, rheumatologist, will speak at the Oct. 6 meeting of the Huntsville Chapter of the Lupus Foundation of America. Anyone interested may attend his free lecture to learn more about lupus erythematosus, a chronic inflammatory disease whose cause and cure are unknown and which affects over a half million Americans. The meeting will be held Oct. 6 at 3 p.m. at Trinity Presbyterian Church on Holmes Ave. For information call 883-6739.

Outreach program

B Company is looking for volunteers to participate in its "Outreach Program" in which soldiers treat children from the local Harris Home to activities such as bowling, swimming and picnics. For information contact Lt. Caitlin Porter or Capt. Willie Brazile at 876-7353/6717.

Top graduates

The Honor and Distinguished graduates of OMMCS courses during the week of Sept. 16-20 were CWO 2 Bruce Catlett and CWO 2 Kevin Smith, Warrant Officer Advanced (nuclear weapons); Sp5 Steven Lafountain and Sp5 James Lagerquist, Ammunition Specialist 645-55B30/10; Pvt. Peyton Johnson and Sgt. Maurice Mativenga, Ammunition Specialist 645-55B10/83; Pvt. Douglas Ratcliff and Pvt. Mark Bowers, Improved Hawk Continuous Radar Repair; Pvt. Robert Stoppel and Pvt. Lionel Ramirez, Chaparral/Redeye Repairer; Cpl. Frank Smith Jr. and Sp4 William B. Whedbee, Ammunition Stock Control and Accounting Specialist; SSgt. Steven Dunn and SSgt. Gregory Mason, Ammunition Inspector; Sp4 Jessie Frazier and Pvt. Charles Brammer, Multiple Launch Rocket System Repairer.

Garden club

The October meeting of the OWC Garden Club will be held Oct. 10 at 9:30 a.m. at the home of Gerdy Wyatt, telephone 881-8254. Gary Murray from the Madison County Extension Service will speak on "Landscaping with Bulbs". Visitors are welcome.

Community chorus

The Huntsville Community Chorus begins its 40th season Oct. 19 with a performance at 8:15 p.m. in the concert hall at Von Braun Civic Center. For season brochures or ticket information call 852-7150.

PX hours

Effective Oct. 5, the Main Exchange will start opening earlier for convenience of shoppers. Its new hours will be: Tuesday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Saturday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sunday regular hours, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Monday regular hours, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. The extended hours of operation are on a trial basis.

Heartline

Huntsville radio station WNDA-FM 95, in cooperation with the Institute for Biblical Therapy, has begun a crisis counseling telephone service. Called the Heartline, the service is available Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to noon and 7-10 p.m. Trained volunteer counselors are prepared to listen, offer counsel based on biblical principles, pray with individuals and offer referral information on the availability of personal help for drug abuse, physical abuse, emergency food, housing and other needs. The Heartline phone number is 534-0124.

Family child care

The Family Child Care (FCC) Program at Redstone will make available the USDA Food Program to all certified FCC homes. This program will help to ensure that the children in these homes are getting balanced meals and snacks. For more information call Ellen Guttridge, FCC program director, 876-2752/3704.

Fashion show

A fashion show, entitled Tuxedo Junction "Tonight's the Night," will be held at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 25 at the Cahaba Temple, corner of Winchester Road and Pulaski Pike. The show is presented by Southern Institute and Pizitz. All proceeds will go to the American Diabetes Association, Alabama affiliate, to benefit the more than 12,000 Madison County residents who have diabetes. For information about tickets, which cost \$10, call 533-5775/5776.

Catholic women

The Military Council of Catholic Women (MCCW) will meet for a bus trip to Ave Maria Grotto in Cullman, Ala. on Oct. 4. Buses will leave Bicentennial Chapel at 8:30 that morning. Lunch will be served at the abbey.

Prayer breakfast

Starting today (Oct. 2), the Prayer Breakfast held each Wednesday at Post Chapel will start at 6 a.m. instead of 6:30 a.m. The breakfasts are ecumenical and open to civilian and military personnel.

Stress management

Classes in stress management will be offered by Army Community Service (ACS) Family Advocacy Program (FAP). The classes will run for five consecutive weeks. Each session will last an hour and a half with the first one beginning at 5 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 9. Classes are open to active duty and retired military people, their spouses and Defense Department civilians on a space available basis. To enroll or for more information, call Dr. William Resha 876-9289.

Toastmasters

The Tennessee Valley Toastmasters meet the first and third Thursday of each month at Morrison's Cafeteria in Madison Square Mall from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Guests are welcome. For more information call Nell Donlin 876-3098 or Lee Watson 876-2849.

School Brigade wives

The School Brigade wives are sponsoring a tour of the Ordnance Missile and Munitions Center and School for OMMCS officer, NCO, and civilian spouses. This will be held Oct. 22 beginning at 9 a.m. in building 3495 (Toftoy Hall). Reservations are required by Oct. 17. For more information call Dorothea Voda 837-3109, Bev Paul 830-4471, Martha Neil 852-4311 or Marliese Lizana 882-3168.

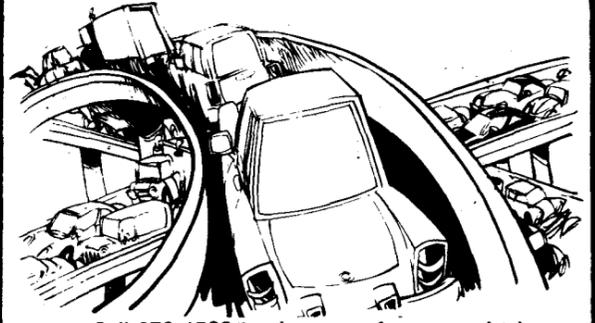
Sidewalk sale

The commissary is holding a "farmer's market sidewalk sale" Oct. 3-5. Sale items include white grapes, red and golden apples in bags, sweet potatoes, baking potatoes, and potatoes in 20 lb bags, cabbage, cauliflower and broccoli. Sale hours are 9-4:30 Thursday and Friday and 9-3:00 on Saturday.

Widows/widowers

The Widows and Widowers Group will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 8 at the Bicentennial Chapel. The group will be planning its yearly activities at this meeting. All widows and widowers are invited to join the group and attend the meeting. For more information call Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Payne 876-5707.

Carpool Hotline



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Carpool member wanted from Hartselle to areas of 5250 and 4488, hours 8-4:30. A.C. Clayton 876-3908.

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Carpool wanted from Decatur to 3781 or vicinity, hours flexible. Dottie Lee 876-1621.

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Ride wanted from 9th Street, one block off Governors Drive, to 4488, hours flexible. Anita Flowers 876-8987.

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Awareness programs improve overall nutrition

Good nutrition means eating the foods the body needs and avoiding the foods the body doesn't.

Some Training and Doctrine Command installations have designed individual awareness programs to improve the overall nutrition of soldiers and their families.

For example, Fort Jackson has implemented a standardized dining facility nutrition program that helps soldiers choose nutritionally balanced daily diets.

As soldiers pass through the serving line, some of the obvious changes are color-coded nutrition cards, herbal seasoning in table salt shakers and salt available only on request.

"We are trying to teach soldiers to make nutritionally sound choices concerning what goes into their body," said CWO 2 David Foppe, Fort Jackson post food adviser.

The color-coded nutrition cards are posted on the serving line to identify each item served, its food group, portion size and calories per serving.

Green cards indicate foods such as braised pork chops and corn that are lower in calories and have good nutritional value. A breaded pork chop and baked beans, on the other hand, are nutritious but higher in calories than green-card foods. Thus, a yellow card would be displayed with these foods. Red-card foods represent choices with little or no

nutritional value - - for example, bacon, glazed doughnuts and sausage links, which are low in protein.

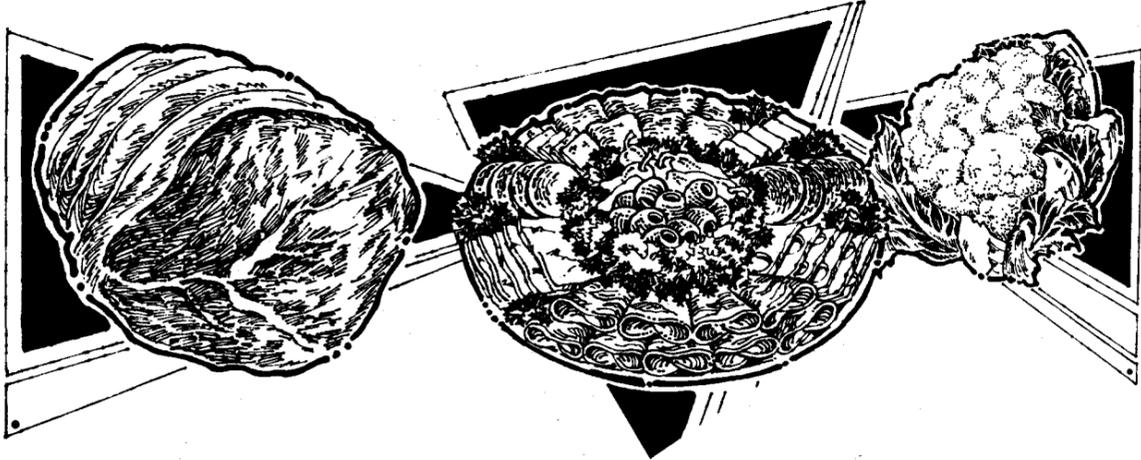
Table salt shakers are filled with a variety of non-commercial herbal mixtures. Salt is available on serving lines only by individual request. Everything is cooked to provide soldiers with an adequate amount of salt without their having to add any.

"We're avoiding putting something bad for the soldier where he can get to it without thinking," Foppe said, "This way he must make a conscious decision to go through the trouble of getting the salt. Hopefully, he will try the herbal seasoning and acquire a taste for it."

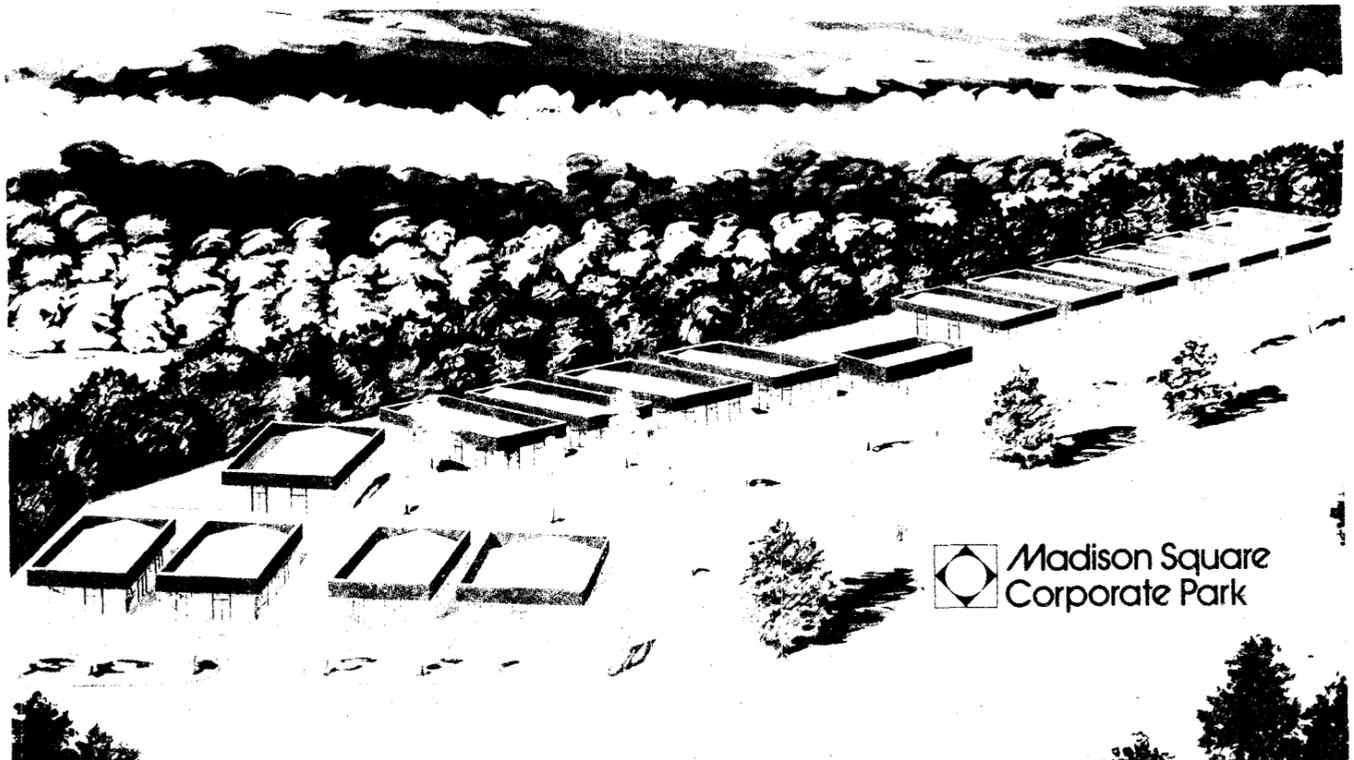
"We have not told the soldier he cannot have salt: we've just made it more difficult for him to get it."

Some of the changes that the average soldier may not notice are the use of 2-percent milk instead of whole milk (with skim milk available on request), meats trimmed of excess fat and a limited quantity of fried meats.

"Whether soldiers stay in the Army for two years or 20 years, hopefully they will take some of these habits back home with them, and soon America will be eating better," said Lt. Col. Rick Kiernan, Fort Jackson spokesman. (Arnews)



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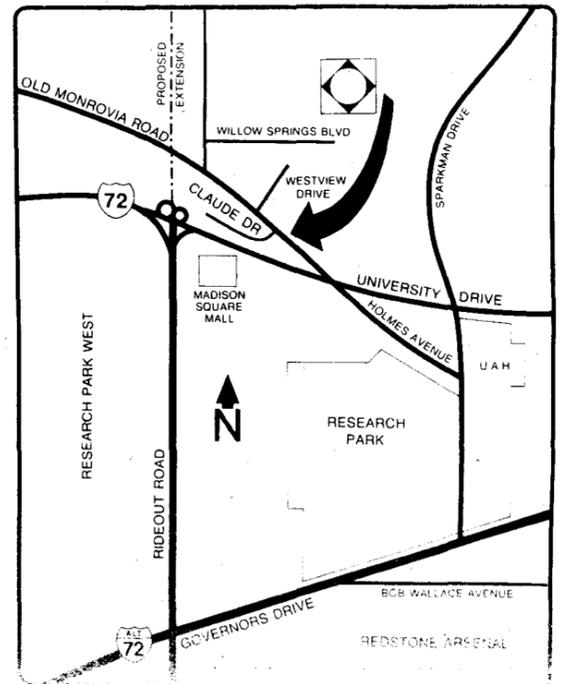
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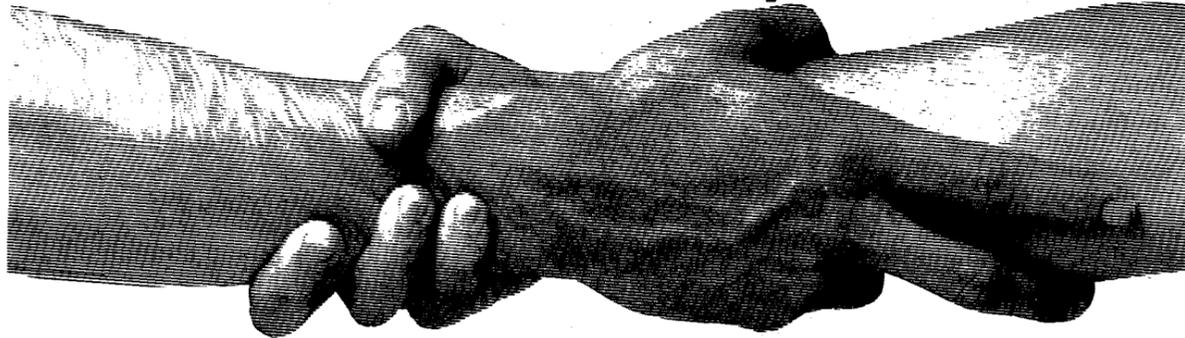
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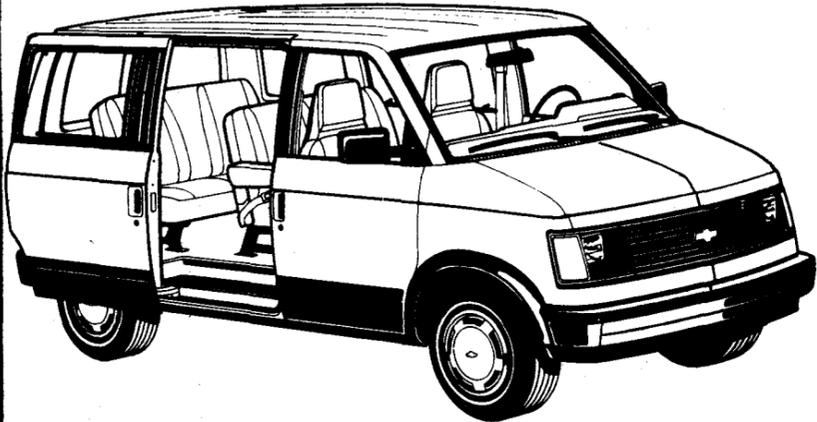
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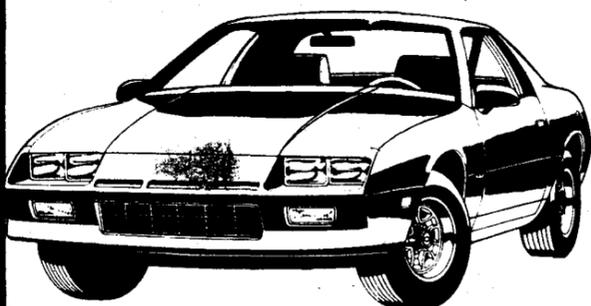


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