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Hotline established for housing occupants on post

Occupants of housing on post now have a central number or hotline to call when they have unresolved problems.

The Family and Bachelor Housing Hotline (dial 876-6666) is a result of a recent town meeting for the military community here. Residents can call in problems anytime. The line will be answered by housing personnel from 7 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday; after-hours calls will be recorded.

"It's really a helpline," said Marjorie Campbell, the installation housing manager. "It's a helpline to assist the occupants in the resolution of problems they've not been able to resolve through the normal process."

Residents should continue to request repairs through the work order desk, she said, and first try to get a problem taken care of through their area coordinator. If the maintenance problem remains or they

have other than maintenance troubles, they should use the hotline.

In the town meeting Feb. 24, some people complained that they did not have a central point to contact for solving a problem. Col. John Walker, the deputy post commander, told them a hotline would be established in the housing management office. He has asked to be briefed weekly on the status of unresolved problems, Campbell said.

Each call will be noted on a form with such information as date, control number, name, address and phone number of occupant, nature of problem, and the action taken. "Depending on the nature of the call, we'll take whatever the appropriate action might be," said Campbell.

This means going to the source of the problem, added Glenn Turner, the family housing manager. Ex-

amples of reasons for calls include such things as non-response to maintenance requests, unsatisfactory work performance, domestic disputes, animal control, or not knowing who to call to get something done.

"It's the central control point for the occupants to call to relieve their frustrations," Turner said. "The hotline is for them but it's going to help us. By knowing what's going on out there, we can take responsive action to get it resolved."

The hotline for family and bachelor housing occupants is a first for Redstone, according to Campbell, who has been with the housing office here since June 1966.

There are 1171 family housing units, 142 bachelor officer quarters and senior bachelor enlisted quarters, and 2278 barracks spaces.

Army weighs results of Central ID Lab review

WASHINGTON — The Army has agreed fully with the conclusions and recommendations of a team of civilian scientists who recently reviewed the Army's Central Identification Laboratory in Hawaii.

The team's report, made public on Feb. 10, cited the Army's generally commendable record of identifying human remains. It also provided ways by which the Army could improve the process of identifying the most difficult cases involving commingled remains.

The review team reported that Army cooperation greatly assisted their efforts and demonstrated the Army's resolve to seek any necessary improvements in

the laboratory. They felt that this cooperative spirit reflects the Army's intention to restore any of the lab's credibility that might have been lost because of criticism's reported by the media.

The review came at a time of new demands on the laboratory from the volume of human remains being returned to the United States from Southeast Asia. This increase in the number of Vietnam-era remains being processed is based on recent joint ventures with the foreign governments concerned.

Col. Tony DeBerardino, who directs the Army's casualty and memorial affairs in Washington said of

the team's findings and recommendations: "We agree fully with them and are following up to obtain all necessary resources promptly."

Team members

Headed by forensic anthropologist Ellis R. Kerley of the University of Maryland, the team included forensic odontologist Lowell Levine, a dentist from Huntington Station, N.Y., and physical anthropologist William R. Maples of the University of Florida.

(See I.D. Lab cont'd on page 17)

Women's History Week is March 2-8

WASHINGTON — Congress has proclaimed March 2-8 "Women's History Week" with this year's theme entitled "Women: Builders of communities and dreams."

"The passage of this legislation provides a national celebration of the heritage of our foremothers," according to a letter co-signed by Congresswoman Barbara Boxer (D-Calif.). "The week encourages teachers, librarians and private and public agencies to provide historical information to their communities about women whose strength, compassion and determination helped to shape and build this country throughout American history."

In another letter, Bette Morgan, co-director of the National Women's History Project, wrote: "The contributions of women have often been overlooked in the retelling of our country's history, giving rise to the misconception that women have not, and do not, contribute to our shared heritage except in limited roles. Acceptance of National Women's History Week has begun to change this perspective."

Americans have been observing Women's History Week for five consecutive years.

Congress has requested that President Reagan, as he has in the past, sign a proclamation calling upon U.S. citizens to observe the week with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

The Defense Department salutes Women's History Week this year by displaying a poster, designed and produced by the National Women's History Project which features five outstanding American women.

Nobel prize winner Jane Addams and political activist Patsy Mink share the canvas with writers/lecturers Frances Ellen Watkins Harper and Maria L. De Hernandez. The fifth woman featured is Maria Martinez, an American Indian who became a renowned potter. (Arnews)



WOMEN AT WORK — Mary Ray, an electronic integrated systems mechanic, is one of the women profiled by the *Rocket* for National Women's History Week. See stories and more pictures inside today's issue.



Drink sale policy

Editor:

I've heard of management by crisis before, but someone somewhere has dreamed up a new management technique called "management by stupidity" (reference "Alcoholic Drink Sales Limited to After Duty Hours" Feb. 5 issue). The Army Materiel Command decided it has a problem... so it implemented a policy barring alcoholic beverage sales during duty hours at the Officer and NCO Clubs, PX snack bars, and bowling alleys... This action might have been appropriate if active duty GIs and civilians were the only people entitled to use those facilities during the hours of 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; however, the privileges of many others, including shift workers, retirees, adult dependents and guests were overlooked and are being abused and violated by this ill-advised policy.

Such treatment over any issue, including this one, is sure to have a detrimental effect on morale. I'm amazed that this policy ever made it past any kind of legal review, if indeed, there was one. It seems that the people responsible for reviewing, coordinating, and approving command policies were asleep when this beauty slipped through. Action should be taken to have it canceled immediately, and I hope those who are responsible for the fair treatment and morale of their people... will see the unfairness in this and will do their duty, regardless of how they personally feel concerning the matter.

Who knows, before too long, someone who doesn't smoke and doesn't want you to either, may ban tobacco in military facilities. The government, including the military, should realize that most people don't want either of them trying to make private, personal decisions for them. And when they attempt to do so, the intrusion should not be condoned; the bureaucracy should be told to keep out.

Name withheld by request

Editor's Note: The deputy post commander, Col. John Walker, responds to your concern with the following. "Your comments concerning the sale hours for alcoholic beverages at Redstone Arsenal are appreciated. Policies related to the operation of club and service facilities are designed with dual purpose of accomplishing the mission as well as promoting the morale and welfare of our community. However, alcohol abuse has been recognized as a growing Army-wide problem which adversely affects productivity and creates problems in the home. Redstone Arsenal is no exception.

"The 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. policy referred to in your article was not instituted as an effort to restrict the rights and privileges of certain individuals,

"It was implemented as part of an overall Army program to reduce incidents of work inefficiency, accidents, statutory violations, and family troubles related to alcohol abuse. Care was taken in the development of this policy to ensure equitable consideration for all individuals concerned, to include legal review. For example, provisions were made for AAFES bulk sales of alcoholic beverages during duty hours for the convenience of off-duty soldiers and other eligible patrons. In fairness, this policy serves to strengthen Army controls on alcohol abuse during du-

ty hours while providing for individual needs. I trust we have your support."

Sign your letter

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Historic space site may be torn down

Launch Tower 26, like London Bridge, is falling down. The nursery rhyme doesn't tell us if the bridge really collapsed, but the launch tower is going to come down for sure unless something is done to save it.

Launch Tower 26 at Cape Canaveral is the site of the nation's first successful space venture, where the U.S. Army launched the Redstone missile that put up Explorer I, America's first satellite. It was also the launch point for Pioneer IV, the first successful lunar probe, and other pioneering missions in the early days of space flight.

After 28 years in the salt atmosphere of coastal Florida, it is a 200-ton mass of corroded iron on the verge of collapse and probably will be torn down. As an Air Force spokesman at the Cape describes it, major structural members have given way, causing the tower to lean to the point that anchoring cables are taut on one side and slack on the other.

The tower is part of the Air Force Space Museum but is separated from other exhibits by a safety fence because pieces are breaking off and falling.

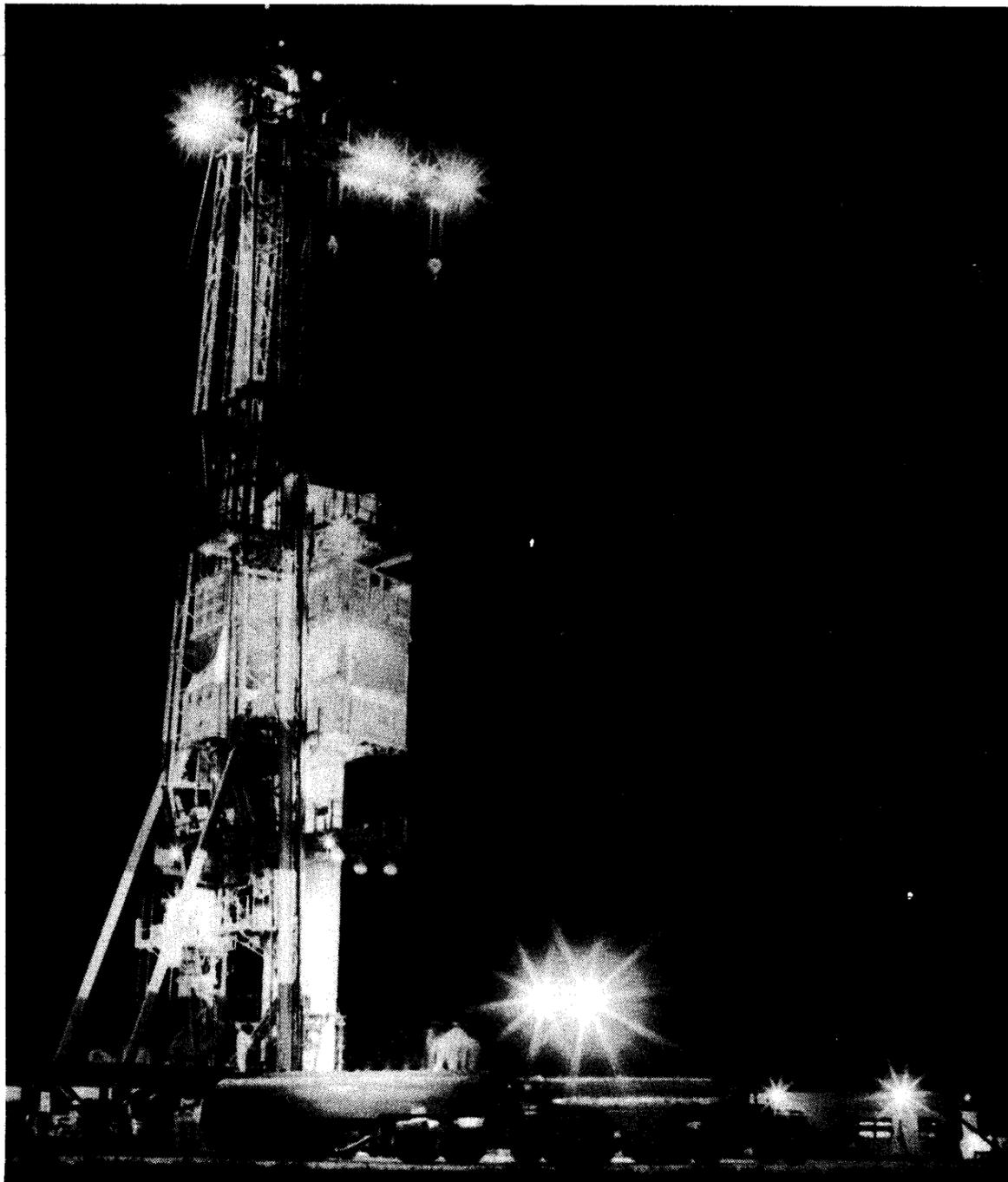
The Air Force is seeking permission to raze the tower, a registered national historic structure that cannot be demolished without consent of the state of Florida and the U.S. Interior Department.

According to the Air Force spokesman, just restoring the tower cosmetically would cost \$1.5 million and the museum doesn't have that kind of money.

There is some sentiment in the Cape community and elsewhere for saving the tower but there presently is no organized group working toward that end.

A recent letter to the editor in *Florida Today* in Cocoa talks about the tower's historical importance and concludes pointedly:

"If this community has any gratitude for what space meant to its development, something should be done to mark the site where it all began. But that's unlikely because it was the U.S. Army — not Air Force, not Navy, not NASA — that answered Russia's Sputniks."



IN BETTER YEARS — In a photograph from the late '50s, Launch Tower 26 is lit up for a night shot. The launch point for the Army's space missions, the historic structure at Cape Canaveral is rusting apart and may be torn down.

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She believes her Bible teachings help change lives

BY PAM ROGERS

If the class Barbara Niedermeyer teaches were suddenly discontinued, it probably would be like losing a good friend for many women on Redstone and in the Huntsville community.

Niedermeyer has taught Bible study at one of the arsenal chapels every Wednesday morning for all but 20 months of the past 16 years. The class is nondenominational, and all women are invited to attend, whether they have connections to the arsenal or not, Niedermeyer said.

Women who participate in the class seem full of enthusiasm, and one woman called it a "filling station" for her emotional and spiritual life.

There are about 50 people in attendance for the class every week, and although they may not always be the same ones, there are several women who have come faithfully since she took over the class in 1970, Niedermeyer said.

"It's a community project. There are ladies from all over town. It reaches out into the Huntsville community, because ladies come to the class, and then go to other places and teach—it's like a missionary effort," she said.

Niedermeyer has tried to structure her class so that it's possible for even the busiest women to attend.

"There's a lady who works who takes her lunch hour from 10 until 11 on Wednesdays, and some come even if they only have 15 minutes to stay," she said. The class actually runs from 9:30 until 11. The first 30 minutes is a time for fellowship and singing, and the last hour is spent in a more structured class.

Niedermeyer also is an original member of the committee which organized the Tennessee Valley Women's Retreat, an annual gathering of Christian women in Guntersville. It began 12 years ago with about 100 women, but for the past several years there have been 500, the maximum number the state park facilities can accommodate, Niedermeyer said.

There have been suggestions to move the retreat to Huntsville's Von Braun Civic Center so more women can attend—there are always some turned away from the Guntersville retreat because of space limitations—



TEACHER — Barbara Niedermeyer makes a point during her Wednesday morning Bible study class.

but according to Niedermeyer, that would defeat the entire purpose of the event.

"These days it seems to be necessary to get away from the rush of activities," she said. That's what the retreat provides, she added; it's a time to slow down in a peaceful atmosphere. "If we had it at the civic center, it would be more of a seminar," she said.

The retreat idea has caught on so well with women in Alabama that another has been started in the Mobile area. The Tennessee Valley committee shared its expertise in planning and organizing the gatherings, which enabled the Mobile group to start big, with attendance of about 575 women for the past two years, Niedermeyer said.

Although her role as a teacher is something she didn't originally plan on, she is happy with it.

"I've gained stability in my life, for one thing. I can't teach what I don't know, so I teach the word of God as it has changed me," she said.

"I continue teaching because I feel it's what the Lord wants me to do," she said.

She has had the satisfaction of seeing spiritual and emotional growth in the women she teaches. "I've seen women whose marriages were healed, and we've had emotional healing. The word of God is a solid rock. It changes their lives," she said.

Pvt. Sims: first female grad of missile repair course

Hammers and screwdrivers were the only tools Pvt. Marsha Sims could identify before she joined the Army, but now she can take an entire missile system apart and put it back together.

Sims was the first woman to be graduated from the Lance Missile System Repairer course. And she finished with honors. Her grade average was 92.5.

Sims, 25, worked on computers before joining the Army, and she decided to become a Lance repairer because of her previous electronics experience.

"It was a nice course. It was exciting, and a little dirty," she said with a smile. "I did my part with everything, like the lifting. Some of the stuff is pretty heavy, and I got hydraulic fluid all over me." Her classmates helped her learn the names of the tools that were used.

"We didn't have any power tools—they were all mechanical," Sims said.

"I joined the Army because I used to see those commercials on T.V. about 'be all you can be,' and I wanted to get away from home. Right now, I could be more, but I think I'm doing very well for the position I'm in," she said.

Sims plans to make a career of the Army. "I had a good job, but I really wasn't happy. I'm happier now than I've been in a long time. The Army is like one big



HONOR GRADUATE — Pvt. Marsha Sims does an electronic test on the guidance system of a Lance missile.

family. Where I come from, everybody keeps to themselves," she said.

Sims is a native of Linden, N.J. This is her first time in Alabama. "People here are very friendly," she said.



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Data needed to calculate soldier housing payments

As soon as possible, eligible soldiers should provide information needed to calculate payments under a new variable housing allowance formula.

The Army has converted to a "VHA Offset" program in which variable housing payments will be calculated individually for each soldier by comparing actual housing expenses to housing entitlements (basic allowances for quarters plus VHA).

Payments will equal that amount of VHA paid under the old formula minus half of the amount by which the soldier's entitlements exceed the actual expense.

"In order for the Finance and Accounting Division to provide the U.S. Army Finance and Accounting Center the proper information for payment of VHA Offset, eligible soldiers must complete a USAFAC form 5274-R and furnish their Unit Commander documentation to support it," states a release from the

finance office here. "This should be done no later than March 7. Neglect to do so could result in an overpayment of VHA Offset."

Finance officials say the following documentation is needed to establish rental or ownership expenses:

- * Renters must furnish a copy of their lease. If no lease has been signed, copies of rent receipts or cancelled checks are acceptable.

- * Personal property and liability insurance can be substantiated by copies of premium bill or cancelled checks.

- * Owners must furnish evidence of expense for allowable mortgage payments, including principal, interest, taxes and insurance which may include mortgage payment schedule and proof of amount of taxes and insurance (Escrow payment). If taxes and/or insurance are paid separately, copies of the bill or statement must be furnished.

"There may be situations where soldiers have legitimate housing expenses that are not substantiated with a contract," says the finance office release. "In these situations a piece of paper signed by the provider of the housing which contains the residence address and the amount of the housing expense will suffice."

Soldiers who do not have legal custody of children and are paying child support can only claim housing expenses associated with the soldier's residence. The child's housing expenses cannot be added together with the soldier's expenses.

"We recognize that accumulating housing expenses is time-consuming and possibly will create hardships for some soldiers, particularly with such short timeframe," says the finance office. "However, it is necessary this information be furnished the F&A Division by March 12 so that the input to the Master Military Pay File will be made accurately and timely."

Unauthorized military medals can lead to prosecution

WASHINGTON — Soldiers wearing unauthorized awards or entering them on their personnel records face prosecution for fraud.

Soldiers claiming unauthorized awards not only compromise their integrity, they could ruin their future as well, said Lt. Col. Harrison Lobdell, who heads up the Military Awards Branch of the Army's Military Personnel Center in Alexandria, Va. "Claiming unauthorized awards is a dangerous practice," he said, "because fraudulent award cases can lead to separations, courts-martial, article 15s and written reprimands." The unauthorized wear of awards and falsification of records are punishable under both the U.S. Code and the Uniform Code of Military Justice.

"A soldier should never wear any award if the slightest doubt exists as to his or her entitlement to the award or without having written authority. A decoration or badge must be properly documented with orders, and each soldier should ensure that an award order is contained in the official personnel file," Lobdell said.

Because no systematic review currently exists to detect all cases of abuse, most instances of unauthorized wearing of awards, false record entries and falsification of documents are discovered indirectly. Typically, a selection board will question a photograph that shows a soldier wearing a decoration, tab or badge when no order in the official military personnel file authorizes it.

An assignment officer or non-commissioned officer

screening a file also might question the authenticity of a document or entry and refer it to the Military Awards Branch for verification. Anonymous notes or tips are sometimes forwarded from the field. In each instance, the awards branch administratively reviews all awards that the soldier in question wears or claims on his records.

Many sources outside the official military personnel file and records jacket can be used in the verification process, Lobdell said. Service schools, for example, retain records of graduates who have been awarded badges and tabs. Interviews also can be conducted with past supervisors and commanders.

When an administrative inquiry initiated at the request of someone other than the soldier concerned is completed, and if unauthorized award claims are confirmed, the soldier's commander is notified. Commanders must correct the personnel records, have the soldier take a new picture wearing only the entitled awards and advise the soldier to refrain from unauthorized wearing of awards in the future. Should counterfeit documents, tampering with personnel records or false statements be found, this information, too, will be passed to the appropriate commander for action.

Orders are not necessary to establish entitlement to service medals and unit awards. If soldiers believe they have qualified for or have been awarded a badge or decoration but do not have the pertinent orders or other valid instruments, they should request assistance from their chain of command or military personnel of-

fice in obtaining written confirmation. In those cases where the circumstances prevent local verification, the awards branch can help.

Commanders and military personnel officers should be alert to the possibility of attempts by soldiers to claim or wear awards to which they are not entitled. Much of the awards problem could be avoided if soldiers were required to show a document giving authority before entries are made on the Officers Record Brief or Enlisted Personnel Qualification Record, Lobdell said.

"We are continually studying means to detect and reduce unauthorized awards worn in official photographs or shown in official personnel records. Manual audits of official personnel files are being conducted on a random basis. Also, with the increased use of data processing and advanced automated records-keeping, conducting audits will become easier and faster," Lobdell said.

Questions on award entitlements may be directed to the Commander, U.S. Army Military Personnel Center, ATTN: DAPC-ALA, 200 Stovall Street, Alexandria, Va 22332-0400. (Arnews)



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New RIF rules consider performance appraisals

BY DONNA BOLINGER

American Forces Information Service

A reduction in force, or "RIF," is bad news to civil servants. Losing your job — or "bumping" someone else out of theirs — can be a discouraging, traumatic experience.

The Office of Personnel Management issues guidelines to ensure that when a RIF is initiated (due to lack of work or funds, a reorganization or the contracting out of work) government employees receive fair treatment.

These guidelines recently got a shot in the arm with new procedures that offer increased protection for outstanding workers — not just those with the most seniority.

Reduction-in-force determinations are based on an employee's seniority, career or career conditional status, and entitlement to veteran's preference, according to Ed McHugh, Office of Personnel Management general staffing specialist.

And while few civil servants may be aware of it, RIF

rules also take into consideration an employee's job performance as indicated by his or her last annual appraisal, McHugh said.

New RIF procedures which took effect Feb. 3, however, provide increased protection for workers with continued outstanding performance.

Under the new rules, extra years of seniority can be awarded to employees based on the average of their previous three annual appraisals.

For each "exceptional" rating, the employee gets an additional 20 points; for each "highly successful" rating, 16; and for each "fully successful," 12. No points are awarded for lower ratings.

The value of an employee's past three appraisals, divided by three, represents the number of additional years of service earned under the new RIF rules.

Another new rule is that employees subject to RIF actions may now "bump" and "retreat" a maximum of three grades or grade intervals. The old rules specified no grade number limit.

Under the new rules, a GS-6 clerical worker can take

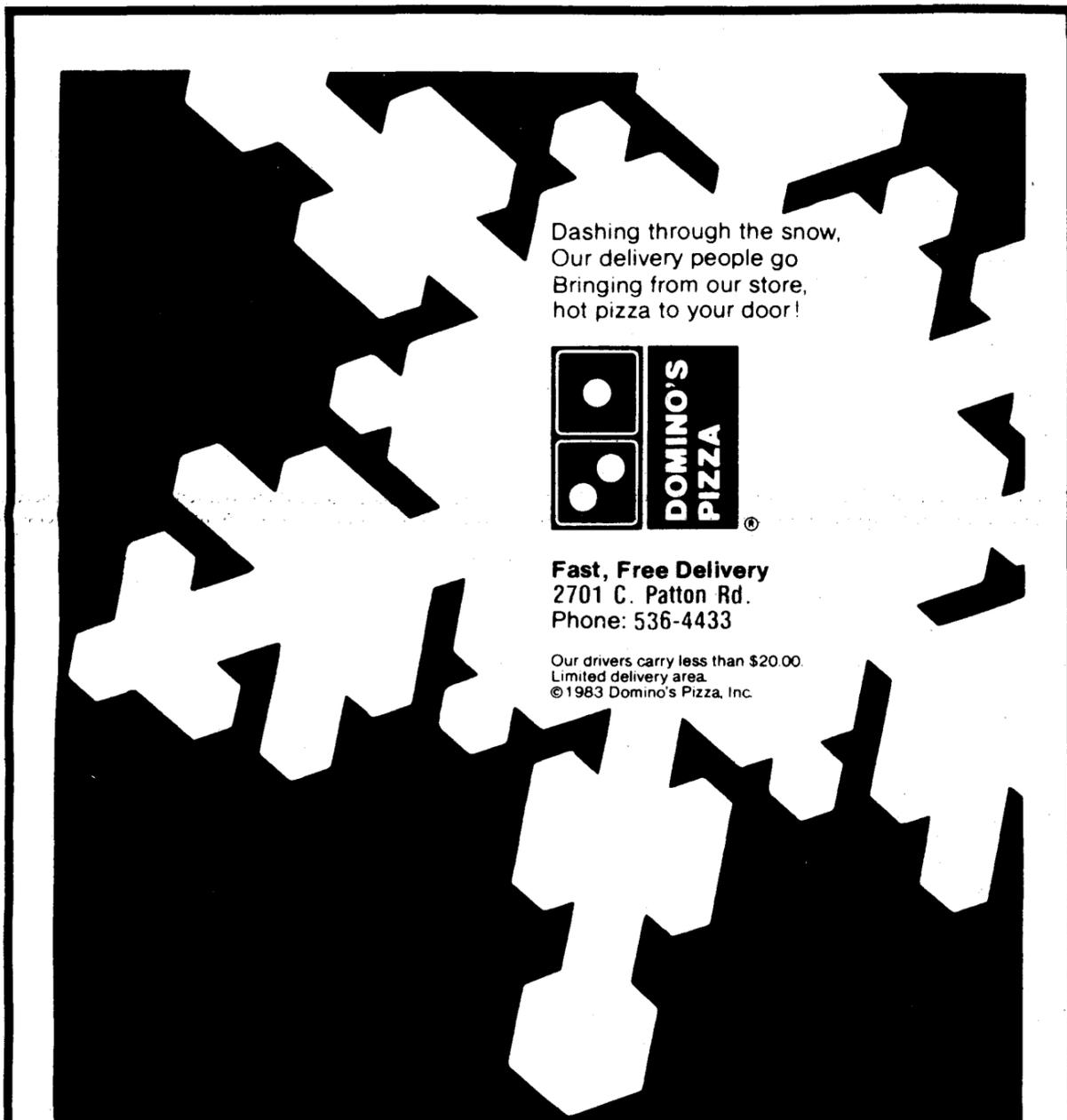
the job of a GS-5, GS-4 or GS-3 clerical worker with a lower retention standing. A GS-11 in a professional position could "bump" a GS-9, GS-7 or GS-5 professional. Special provisions are being developed for positions under the Federal Wage System, according to Office of Personnel Management officials.

Another new provision in the RIF rules is that clerical employees can now "bump" into non-clerical positions for which they are qualified, and vice versa. This ruling removes a ban on such practices that was initiated in 1983.

"The major effect of these changes," according to James Lafferty of the Office of Personnel Management, "is an increase in the emphasis placed on performance rather than seniority."

Lafferty said the changes do not mean the Office of Personnel Management is gearing up for a major RIF action, even in light of the newly passed Gramm-Rudman-Hollings "balanced budget" law.

"At this point, we just don't know what the implications of that legislation will be," he said.



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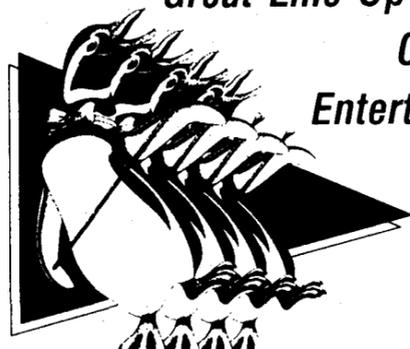
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Bogus bills . . . a continuing crime

BY SKIP VAUGHN

A \$20 bill with George Washington's picture on it, an image of a bill clipped from an advertisement—these are examples of counterfeit currency.

Last year an estimated \$100 million in funny money was recovered in the U.S.; \$90 million of that was recovered before it was passed on to the public, according to "ballpark" figures provided by a U.S. Secret Service agent.

"Ten million is a lot of money to me," said the agent, Herb Cooke. He gave an informal seminar on counterfeit currency for some cashiers here Feb. 26 at the request of a member of the Finance and Accounting Division.

The easiest way to check a suspect bill is to compare it with a genuine note of the same denomination, Cooke said. "You don't look for similarities, look for differences," he added. Counterfeiters do not have access to the "100 percent rag content paper" the government uses to make money.

"I would look for the red and blue rayon fibers," Cooke said. "In genuine currency oftentimes these fibers will stick up (from the surface of the paper)."

Counterfeit currency feels slicker because of the usual offset method of printing. Also, real money has more lifelike portraits and certain relationships between code letters.



TWENTY? — A common method of altering genuine currency to increase its face value is to glue numerals from high denomination bills in the corners of a note of lower denomination. Andrew Jackson's picture appears on real \$20 bills.



AGENT — Herb Cooke, a special agent with U.S. Secret Service, shows a counterfeit note to Jim Gillespie of F&A Division.

Jim Gillespie—a systems accountant in F&A's policy, procedures and systems office—asked that the Secret Service send an agent to talk about counterfeit currency after a note was passed on post. Officials say a counterfeit \$20 was innocently used to pay a bill at the hospital around November.

"At that time, we decided it had been a while since we had a briefing on this and we wanted to retrain some of our cashiers and train the new ones on this," Gillespie said.

The Secret Service, the oldest federal law enforcement agency, was created in 1865 by Congress because a third of the U.S. currency was counterfeit. It wasn't

until President William McKinley's assassination in 1901 that the Secret Service got the additional responsibility of protecting the president.

There are about 2,000 agents nationwide. The Birmingham office has 10 agents, including Cooke. He is assigned to cover this area of Madison, Limestone, Marshall and Jackson counties.

"You'd be surprised at the amount of counterfeit activity that we have," Cooke said. "You don't hear about it much but we now are getting a lot of \$20s in this area, and the best way to put a stop to it is to have an informed public."

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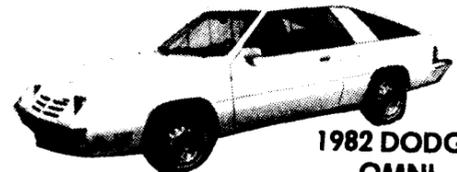
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New program to train Army civilian leadership

WASHINGTON — Soon the Army will "grow" its civilian leadership much as it "grows" its military leadership.

The Army Civilian Training, Education and Development System (ACTEDS) will be implemented for all civilian career programs over the next five to 10 years as funding is made available to support increases in civilian training and development.

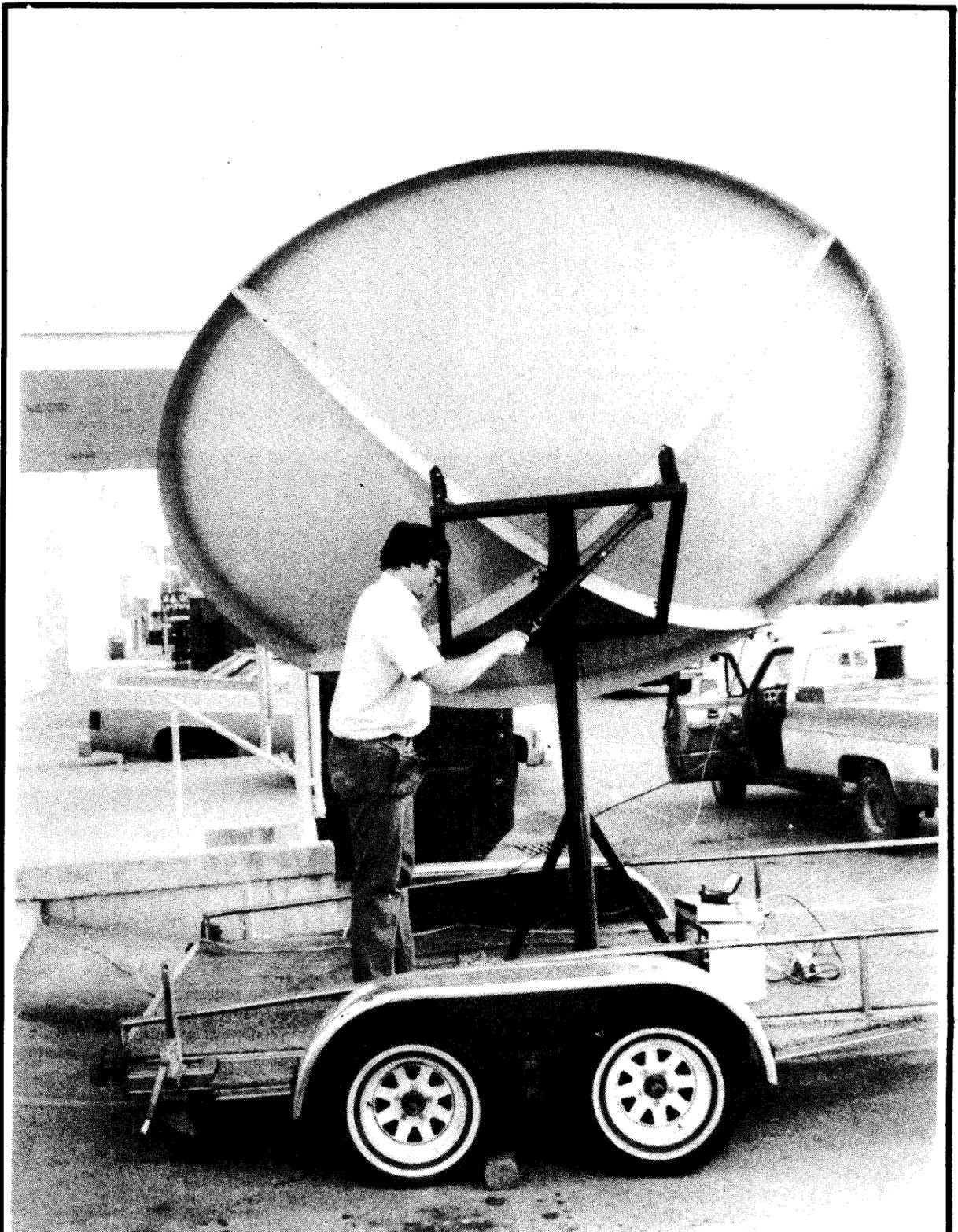
ACTEDS is a new approach that will standardize development of the technical, managerial and leadership skills required by the Army's civilian work force. This approach supports and recognizes the importance of civilian employees to the U. S. Army, said Bill Day, of the U. S. Army Civilian Personnel Center.

ACTEDS will be similar to the military officer training system. The Department of the Army (DA) will identify the technical and managerial skills required for each of 24 career programs. Based on the identified special requirements, DA will enhance civilian career development efforts, said Day. Each program will include leadership, managerial and technical assignments designed to progressively develop employees throughout their Army careers, Day said.

The plan will identify key management positions critical to mission accomplishment; paths of job progression and prescribed training and developmental assignments; and the point in each career program at which employees may compete for selection for intensive training and development classes, said Day.

Because ACTEDS provides a systematic means for identifying training and development needed at each level, commanders and supervisors will be better able to counsel employees on career opportunities, Day said. The blend of formal training and developmental assignments will help civilian employees to better understand how the Army's many organizations and functions work together and make them better qualified to fill key management positions, Day said.

A prototype of ACTEDS, based on the concept approved by the deputy chief of staff for personnel in 1983, is being used for civilian employees in the Logistics and Acquisition Management Program. Now these civilians are receiving training similar to that provided for soldiers who have additional skill identifiers 6T (the Material Acquisition Management Program) and 7Z (the Military Logistician Program). They will be placed in similar developmental assignments, as well. The prototype will soon be evaluated by the Army Civilian Personnel Center in Alexandria, Va., so that modifications may be made. (Arnews)



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Army hospitals entering computer age

WASHINGTON — By April 1986, all 50 Army hospitals worldwide will be using computers to monitor the quality of care that their patients are receiving.

The Automated Quality of Care Evaluation Support System (AQCESS), now being installed, was developed to make it easier for the Army to provide good care to its patients, according to Maj. Helen M. Bursley, the AQCESS quality assurance project officer.

The AQCESS project is being implemented by the Tri-Service Medical Information Systems (TRIMIS) Program Office for the Department of Defense. Bursley added that, by the end of April, all 168 DOD hospitals will have the system. The TRIMIS-Army office at Walter Reed Army Medical Center in Washington, D.C., is responsible for the installation of equipment and training of personnel at Army hospitals. Installation of the system began in July 1985, and 37 Army sites are already using the system.

AQCESS is a computerized information system which uses desk-top computers to collect, organize and monitor information dealing with patient care. Many of the functions that AQCESS provides are not possible with a manual system, said Bursley. The system provides numerous necessary reports that had to be painstakingly compiled by hand in the past, according to Maj. John Vigna, chief of patient administration at DeWitt Army Community Hospital at Fort Belvoir, Va. Trend-spotting reports can be generated, and minor problems can be identified before they become major concerns. For instance, if a number of falls have occurred in a particular area of a hospital, the system will make a note of it, and an inspection of the area will be made to determine whether there is a safety problem.

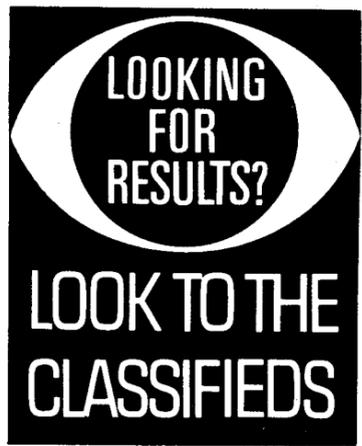
AQCESS also monitors the credentials of medical care providers. The system will alert hospital administrators when a doctor or a nurse needs a test or a class in order to remain certified. And there are built-in security functions to assure that only individuals with a need for information have access to it, Bursley said.

The system is designed to make data entry and retrieval more accurate and faster. Registration, admission, disposition and transfer of patients is much faster and easier with AQCESS, according to Vigna. To get information, the user can just go to the nearest terminal and punch a few keys, rather than go to a specific file, he added. Admission information can be entered in advance for maternity and other patients, so that waiting is eliminated at admission time, and a built-in tracking system will make medical records easier to find.

Users are not required to have a computer background. The system has help and self-paced tutoring functions and a training data base so users can continue to learn the system or remain familiar with it. Formal training is also provided, Bursley said.

Better documentation of patient care means better management of resources and the potential to avert lawsuits. According to Bursley, better information, in a more timely manner, makes for better patient treatment programs. Because the workload is documented better, it can be distributed better, as well, she said.

AQCESS is another step toward total automation for DOD hospitals. By the early 1990's, AQCESS will become a part of the Composite Health Care System, which will perform many other functions, as well. (Arnews)

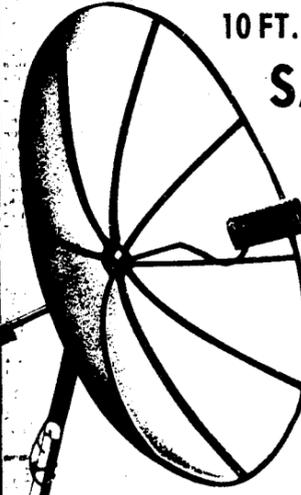


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Freedom and working outdoors make her job enjoyable

BY PAM ROGERS

"I love it! I really love my job." That's what Mary Ray thinks about her work as an electronic integrated systems mechanic.

Until last week, she worked on the Sgt. York system. When the units at the Ordnance Missile and Munition Center and School were moved to Anniston Army Depot a couple of weeks ago, Ray drove all of them onto the lowboy trailers used to haul them away.

Ray, who has an associate degree in electronics, has worked behind a desk before, but she prefers her job now because she has a greater sense of freedom.

"I've always wanted to work outside. You're not confined and it makes the time pass faster. You're more on your own. I've been healthier, too. I haven't had the first cold," she said. She has had the job for two years.

No job is without its disadvantages, of course. "The metal on the York can get so cold in the winter that you can touch it and it'll freeze your skin, and it gets so hot in the summer it can blister you," she said.

To Ray, that's only a minor problem. She admitted to feeling sorry to see the tank-mounted guns being taken away.

"After putting so much hard work, labor and sweat into them, it's a little heartbreaking to see them go," she said.

It was Ray's job to know the Sgt. York inside and out, and her size (she only weighs 105) made it easy for her to reach some of the more confined spaces.

Loading the tanks for transport was somewhat of a challenge, since only a small portion of the track rested on the trailers. Ray, who couldn't see where she was going once the 62-ton tank began to climb the ramp leading to the trailer, was assisted by signals from her ground guide, Gary Finney.

Finney also is authorized to drive the tanks, and when he does, Ray is his guide.

"I'd rather drive than be a ground guide. The guide gets more nervous than the driver," she said.

Ray, 39, thinks of herself as self-reliant, and believes more women could be successful in nontraditional occupations if they would only take the initiative.

"I'm the type person who doesn't depend on other people. I see a job and I do it. All women can do that if



GEARING UP — Mary Ray pauses during final preparations for moving a Sgt. York system.

they will. I had to be independent, because I've been divorced for 16 years. My kids grew up being able to compete, and they're great kids," she said.

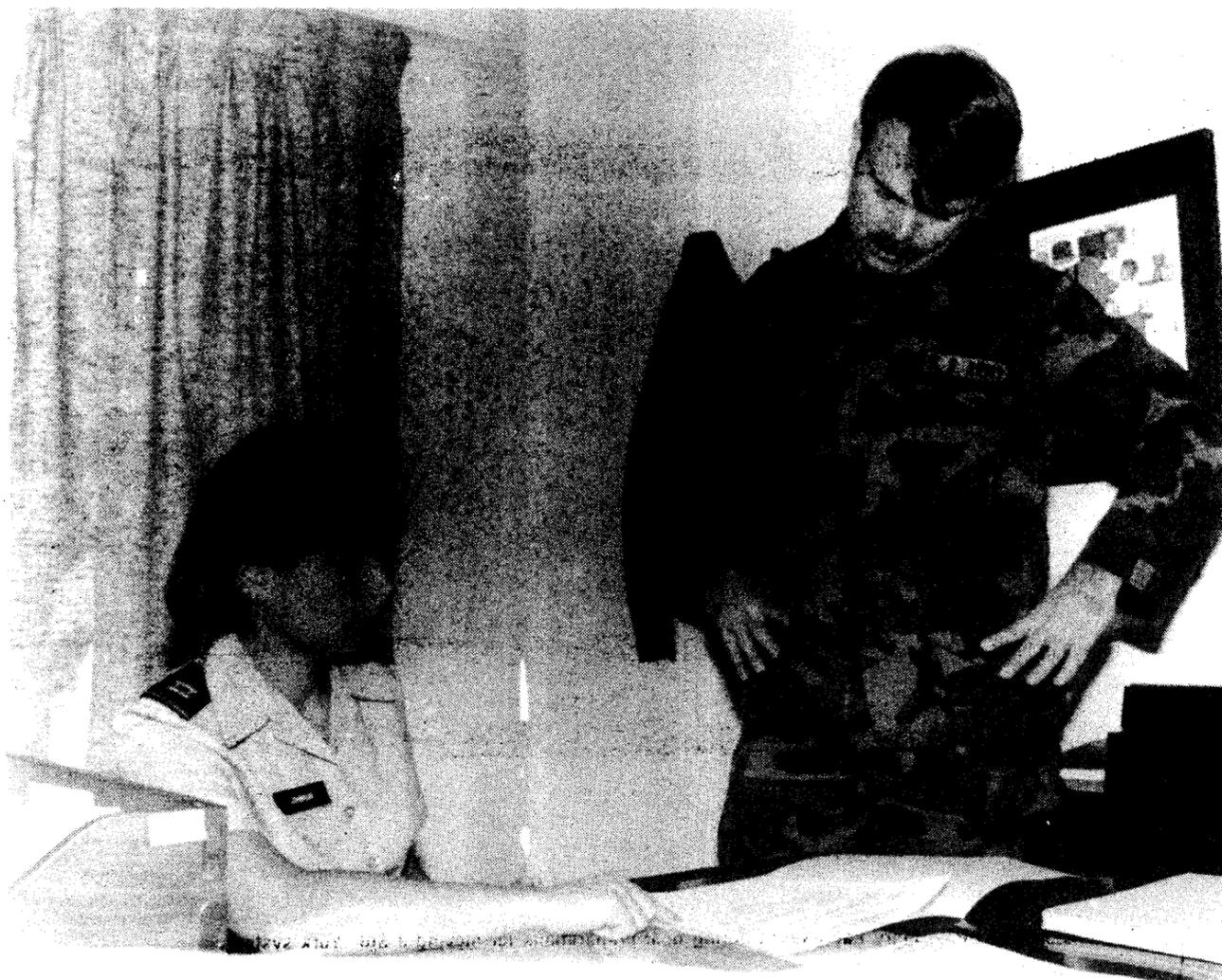
Her daughter Denise is 21 and lives in Texas. Her son David, who's 18, still lives at home. Ray also cares

for two Great Danes, two cats and a goat. "The traditional part comes after work, when I'm a mother who cooks and cleans," she said.

Since the removal of the Sgt. Yorks, Ray has been assigned to the Chaparral system.



STRAIGHT AHEAD — Ray watches the signals of her ground guide, Gary Finney, as she maneuvers a Sgt. York onto a trailer.



COMMANDER — Capt. Dorothy Johnson, commander of C Company, talks with SFC Marvin Capper.

Caring is most important for company commander

Capt. Dorothy Johnson, commander of C Company, reflected on the history of her unit as it entered its third year.

The company was activated Feb. 15, 1984 to correct the imbalance of personnel in A and B companies, which had approximately 800 and 500 soldiers, respectively, Johnson said. "Now C Company is the largest. We have 440 soldiers," she said.

C Company members are scattered throughout nine different organizations within the school, Johnson said. "We're real diverse, but even so, we pull together," she remarked.

One thing that makes the company more cohesive is a volunteer program which assists civic organizations downtown. Company members have spent Saturdays helping out the Girl's and Boy's Clubs and LIFT (Living in Family Transition Housing). Later this month, C Company members will help the Humane Society move animals to a new facility.

Johnson is proud of her company's accomplishments in its two-year existence.

"We've been in this building since June, and it only took three months for us to get the unit yard of the month award," she said. Volunteers worked to

remove the painted rocks outside the building and replace them with shrubs.

When the company's soldiers renovated their dayroom by putting up paneling and adding plants, they decorated the walls with photographs of members instead of buying artwork, Johnson said.

The company has had two post soldiers of the month, and one-third of the competitors for soldier of the year, she said.

Johnson, who has been the commander of C Company since last March, said this is the best job she has had in her eight-year Army career.

"It's definitely been my most rewarding experience. I think any job I'll have after this will be a disappointment. I really love working with soldiers, and I live and breathe C Company," she said.

Her leadership philosophy is quite simple. "Caring. Leadership is caring. If you're a leader who cares, everything else falls into place," she said.

She feels her company command has made her more aware of how the individual soldier fits into the team effort, she said.

"Soldiers are our most important resource. We do everything in our power to take care of that resource," she said.

"Today's soldier is quite intelligent and highly motivated. They're workers—doers. They don't sit back, and they don't like to be idle," she said.

This is Johnson's first command. Prior to assuming the command she was with the School Brigade. Before that, she had a tour in Germany, serving in Schwabisch Hall and Heilbronn. She's married to Capt. Bill Johnson, who works in Combat Development.

She never thought about joining the Army until she took ROTC in college, but she has always considered herself patriotic, and has an interest in politics.

"I was always very pro-American, and I can remember having political discussions with my family and friends when I was in the sixth grade," she said. She majored in American studies at Western Maryland College.

Johnson is convinced C Company is the best when she hears it from soldiers themselves.

"A soldier wrote to me from Germany about a month ago. I don't know her, but she had heard about our company from some soldiers who had left here recently, and she requested assignment here. Soldiers leave here and pass on the good word," she said.

Military's top ranking black woman served as MP

BY SGT. MAJ. RUDI WILLIAMS, USA
American Forces Information Service

When she was three years old, she picked up to 50 pounds of cotton a day in the fields of a central Louisiana farm. As an eighth grader, she wanted to be a nun. Today, Army Brig. Gen. Sherian G. Cadoria, 46, is the highest-ranking woman in the military services.

As director of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Manpower and Personnel Directorate, she is responsible for coordinating policies that affect more than 3.1 million active duty and Reserve members of the Army, Air Force, Navy and Marine Corps.

Cadoria uncannily predicted her rise to general officer at the age of 16 when she told her mother, "If I go into the service, I won't get out until I become an admiral." She wanted to follow in the footsteps of her brother who joined the Navy at the age of 17.

"I said, 'you'll never get to that point... but she did,'" said her mother, Bernice Cadoria, 72, of Marksville, La. "As a child, she was very intelligent... always had a big mind," said Mrs. Cadoria.

A petite, soft-spoken woman with a courtly Southern demeanor, Cadoria is the first woman from the Military Police Corps to achieve general officer rank. She was the Army's "top cop" during a one-year tour as chief of the Law Enforcement Division in the Pentagon-housed Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff for Personnel.

Before that, Cadoria spent two years (May 1982-July 1984) as commander of the First Region, U.S. Army Criminal Investigation Command, Fort George G. Meade, Md.

In her present job, she deals with policies that include pay and allowances, benefits and professional education. Additionally, Cadoria administers the manpower survey team and provides input for the Joint Chiefs of Staff internal military and civilian personnel program.

Since her promotion to brigadier general last August, Cadoria has become one of the most sought-after speakers in the Defense Department by military and civilian organizations around the country.

"I accept most of the engagements because it's good public relations," said Cadoria. "It's telling the armed

forces story. It's being with our citizens and letting them know that this is a good place for their sons and daughters to be."

Her message to young men and women is, "Don't hesitate about coming into the armed forces. And don't be hesitant about going after the tough jobs."

"Everything won't be Utopia," said Cadoria, a devout Catholic. "There will be hard times, but not every day. I have a saying, 'This, too, shall pass, and you'll go on.' But don't be hesitant about tackling the tough jobs."

Cadoria, who joined the Army in 1961, says she has managed her military career by seeking and fighting for the tough jobs... jobs that no other military woman had held... jobs that were reserved for men. She says she took plenty of knocks, bangs, bruises, insults and rejections along the way.

"I joined the military police because I wanted to work with troops... I wanted to command troops," she explained. "The MP Corps was the closest to combat arms that a woman could get in those days."

In 1967, after serving a year as administrative officer for the Army Provost Marshal in Vietnam, Cadoria sought a job as protocol officer with the Qui Nhon Support Command. The colonel who interviewed her said women couldn't escort VIPs because they couldn't carry the luggage. Cadoria told him about her days in the Louisiana cotton fields carrying sacks weighing nearly 100 pounds by the time she was nine years old.

"He said the only reason he was talking to me was he was forced to," she said.

The strong-willed general refused to give up. She eventually convinced the colonel and got the job. "I was given the title of 'the northernmost WAC (Women's Army Corps) in Vietnam,'" she laughed heartily. "That area wasn't approved for women. Saigon, Long Binh and Cam Ranh Bay were the only places women were assigned at that time.

"Shortly after I arrived there, we went into the 1968 Tet Offensive," she recalled.

The horrors of the war rekindled her thoughts of becoming a nun. "I did a lot of volunteer work (at



Brig. Gen. Sherian G. Cadoria, USA

hospitals and leper colonies with the Dominican nuns working in the area)," said Cadoria.

She told the general for whom she worked of her intentions. "He said, 'Sheree, you've been affected by what you've seen. But I think God's choice for you was to be a soldier.'"

Still determined to enter a convent after returning stateside, Cadoria began counseling with a priest. After a few months, the priest told her, "You have to work with the gifts that God has given you. And He's (See Cadoria, cont'd on page 13)

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"I accepted that, and decided to make the military a career," said Cadoria.

Cadoria said one of her proudest achievements was her tour as Chief, Office of Army Law Enforcement, Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff for Personnel, Department of the Army. Her work there, she said, helped "set the future course for the Army Military Police Corps, out into the 1980s, 1990s and, hopefully, beyond. And the opportunity to provide a positive concern and care and leadership to the men and women..."

Another thing she's proud of is having borrowed an armored sedan in 1981 from the West German Minister of Interior just two weeks before terrorists

tried to assassinate Gen. Fredrick J. Kroesen, then U.S. Army Europe and Seventh Army commander. The armored car is credited with saving Kroesen's life. "I thank God I was there to push that... and get it done," she said.

Before the incident, Cadoria could not get approval to purchase armored vehicles. "Following the attack, we were able to obtain 32 armored vehicles," said Cadoria, who was then serving in the U.S. Army Europe's Provost Marshal's office as chief of physical security. She was also responsible for nuclear, chemical and conventional security and the anti-terrorism operations center.

Where does the name "Cadoria" come from? "It's a Spanish derivative," she explained. "My ancestral background is mixed with the Indian, Mexican, black, white and Spanish; Just like so many of us are mixed. But I'm black."

Congress approves bill to help VA home loans

WASHINGTON — Congress unanimously approved a bill on Feb. 25 that would raise the \$11.5 billion cap on VA home loans to \$18.2 billion.

VA spokeswoman Pam Siciliano said the bill is now awaiting the President's signature. The new cap will help avert a cutoff of the Veterans Administration's home loan guarantee program that was expected to shut down in April.

The \$11.5 billion cap was a result of Gramm-Rudman-Hollings act which called for an across-the-board spending cutback scheduled for March 1. According to George D. Moerman, Assistant Director for loan Policy, of the Veterans Administration, if the home loan guarantee program runs out of money in April, the VA will have to turn down between 120,000 to 130,000 loans for the rest of the fiscal year.

The bill did not include the proposal to raise the current VA funding fee from 1 percent to 2 percent, said Siciliano. (Arnews)

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SM 5021 Business Law	14 Apr	23 Jun	Mon
CM 5020 Contr Mgmt Research Seminar	14 Apr	23 Jun	Mon
SM 5006 Managerial Statistics I	15 Apr	24 Jun	Tue
SM 5013 Behav Science & Mgmt	15 Apr	24 Jun	Tue
SM 5017 Program Management	15 Apr	24 Jun	Tue
SM 5026 Computer Applications For Managers	15 Apr	24 Jun	Tue
OR 5011 Operations Research I	15 Apr	24 Jun	Tue
SM 5000 Financial Accounting	16 Apr	25 Jun	Wed
SM 5032 Personnel Mgmt & Indus Rel	16 Apr	25 Jun	Wed
CM 5000 Fund of Contr & Aco Mgmt	16 Apr	25 Jun	Wed
CM 5013 Contr Changes, Term & Disputes	16 Apr	25 Jun	Wed
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Military anglers compete in bass fishing tournament

Twenty-six anglers competed in the North Alabama Military Bass Anglers Association's first fishing tournament of the season held Feb. 22 at First Creek on Wheeler Lake.

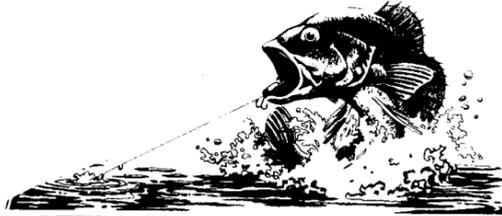
First place went to retired Army sergeant Anthony Szozda who had a total catch of 14 pounds. Placing second was Marine Gunnery Sgt. Paul Kondrk with a catch of 12 pounds, 11 ounces, and third place went to SFC Tom Waskom with a catch of 12 pounds even.

Even though the weather was not the best for fishing, the anglers did manage to land 42 bass with a total weight of 106 pounds, 2 ounces. The average weight of bass caught was just over 2½ pounds, and all fish caught were released back into the lake after being weighed.

The fishing organization's next meeting will be

March 5 at 6:30 p.m. at the Redstone Arsenal NCO Club. The next tournament will be March 8 at Wilson Lake. Other tournaments scheduled for the year include April 26 at Lee High Bridge, May 17 at Goose Pond, and June 6 at Weiss Lake.

For those wishing to find out more about the Military Bass Anglers Association, or to join, can call Gunnery Sgt. Paul Kondrk at 876-6611 or 828-9017.



Apache flies again

WASHINGTON — The Army's fleet of Apache (AH-64A) helicopters is flying again.

The Army lifted its Jan. 27 grounding of the helicopters on Feb. 15 after Army aviation experts determined that the small cracks which were found on 13 main rotor blades pose no threat to the helicopter's safety. However, as a precautionary measure, all rotor blades with cracks have been replaced at the contractor's expense. Those rotor blades will be repaired by the contractor and returned to the Army for service.

Army aviation experts also accepted McDonnell Douglas Corp., findings that the cracks were caused by a poorly designed blade adjusting tool.

McDonnell Douglas Corp., the manufacturer of the Army's approximately 70 Apache helicopters, is correcting the problem.

The Army ban on accepting more of the helicopters from the manufacturer has also been lifted. (Arnews)

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March 17-May 10, 1986



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MONDAY-WEDNESDAY 5:00 TO 7:30 PM				MONDAY-WEDNESDAY, 7:30 TO 10:00 PM			
Course No.	Course Title	Prereq.	Instr.	Course No.	Course Title	Prereq.	Instr.
BUS 150	Intro To Business	None	Smalley	BUS 396	Corporate Finance	Instr. Perm	Smalley
CIS 150*	Intro. To Programming BASIC	Instr. Perm.	Jones	CIS 260*	Hardware/Software Systems	CIS 150	Jones
ENG 104**	Developmental English	None	Yates	ENG 111	English Composition I	None	Yates
PHIL/GOVT 320	Political Philosophy	Instr. Perm.	Cushman	MA 105	Intermediate Algebra	None	S. Patty
PSY/BUS 336	Industrial/Organizational PSY	Instr. Perm or BUS 150	May	SOC 350	Social Gerontology	SOC 111 or PSY 101	May
*Lab Fee **Tuition Free Course				*Lab Fee			
TUESDAY-THURSDAY 7:30 TO 10:00 PM				TUESDAY-THURSDAY 5:00 TO 7:30 PM			
Course No.	Course Title	Prereq.	Instr.	Course No.	Course Title	Prereq.	Instr.
BUS 485	Fund & Gov't Accounting	BUS 280 or Instr. Perm.	Jacobs	BUS 281	Accounting Ii	BUS 280	Jacobs
CJ 101	Intro. To Criminal Justice	None	Bill	BUS 360	Organizational Design	Instr. Perm.	Foster
ECON 294	Microeconomics	ECON 293	Traylor	CIS 170	Intro. Computer Info. Systems	None	Thomas
MA 250	Statistics	MA 150	C. Patty	CJ 306	Military Justice Systems	CJ 101 or Instr. Perm	Moon
				ENG 112	English Composition II	ENG 111	Mills

GENERAL INFORMATION

Academic Calendar—Session II March 17-May 10
 Registration Begins February 18
 Classes Begin March 17
 Late Registration Ends March 25
 Tuition Assistance Form Deadline March 25
 Last Day to Drop March 28
 Classes End May 8

Classes are opened to ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY, THEIR DEPENDENTS AND CIVILIANS employed on Redstone Arsenal. The Columbia College office is located in Building 3222, Army Education Center (South Entrance). Office Hours: 8:30-4:30 Monday thru Friday. Phones: 881-6181 or 876-4851. Counseling and Registration are available on a walk-in basis.

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- Associate in Science/Science Management
- Associate in Science/Criminal Justice

Windex wins Army-NASA basketball tourney

Windex swept its way to the championship of a basketball tournament featuring teams from the Army civilian and NASA leagues.

The Windex NASA squad beat Security's CWF team 82-75 in the title game of the first annual invitational tournament. Don Calfee led Windex with 30 points followed by Frederick Rayhle 21 and Dan Walker 13.

Security's leading scorers were Coy Holden 26 points and 15 rebounds, Leon Williams 18 points, James Love 11, and Luther Johnson 10. Security finished its season with a 13-2 overall record and the second place tournament trophy.

In the third place consolation game, P&P-2 won by forfeit over the Blazers of NASA. The P&P-2 team, therefore, took the third place trophy and ended its season with an overall record of 11-3.

The all-tournament team included Windex players Rayhle, Walker and Calfee; Security's Holden and Williams; P&P-2 team's Willis Epps and Tommy High; NASA Blazers' Johnny Hall and Peter Churche; Computer Bits players Chauncey Ivey and Fred Jenkins; CPO's Abdullah Muhammad, Green Machine's Buphus Nall, NASA Court Jester's Pat Lewallen, MIA's Ken McCormick, and NASA Martin Marietta's Earl Letson.

Semifinal games in the tournament saw Windex beat P&P-2 by 64-56, and Security defeat NASA's Blazers (no score available). In Windex's win, Rayhle hit for 22, Calfee 13 and Walker 12. P&P-2 was led by Epps 20 points and 11 rebounds, Dante Emanuel 10 points, Ken Gurley 10, and Harold Jones 10.

In second round games, Windex clipped Players of

NASA 68-61, P&P-2 beat Computer Bits 62-57, Security won by forfeit over Missile Systems-1, and NASA's Blazers nipped Green Machine 53-52. In the first round, Security clobbered COE (slow league) 73-59, Missile Systems-1 won by forfeit over COE (fast league), NASA's Blazers beat MIA 67-55, Green Machine whipped NASA's Martin Marietta 89-70 (as Nall scored a tournament record 44 points), Windex won by forfeit over Pershing, NASA's Players won by forfeit over Missile Systems-2, Computer Bits hammered CPO 95-64, and P&P-2 clipped NASA's Court Jester 62-58.

On Friday night at 7:00, the Civilian Welfare Fund all-stars will play the post military team all-stars at the post gym (building 3474).



Bowling standings

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

Tuesday's Conference		
Team	Won	Loss
A Company-1	346	154
* 95th	305	175
515th-1	307	193
* Marines-1	282.5	188.5
C Company-1	284	216
TMDE	263.5	236.5
515th-2	253	247
291st MPs	250	250
6th Student Company-1	218.5	281.5
4th Student Company-1	208.5	291.5
4th Student Company-2	145	355
4th Student Company-3	110.5	389.5

* has one match to make up

200 games bowled on Feb. 25:

Gary Gibbs	223
Jim Starcher	

Thursday's Conference		
Team	Won	Loss
A Company (I&TTD)	396.5	103.5
B Company-1	339	161
Marines-2	327.5	172.5
MEDDAC-2	325	175
C Company-2	250	250
5th Student Company	243	257
MEDDAC-1	240.5	259.5
MEDDAC-4	227	273
MEDDAC-3	219.5	280.5
B Company-2	166	334
6th Student Company-2	139	361
7th Student Company	108.5	391.5

200 games/600 series bowled on Feb. 27:

Brian Eads	200, 213, & 606 series
Bill Hollifield	225, & 602 (his first 600 series)
Dale Northcutt	215
Jim Starcher	211
Rich Caple	207
Dave Lubenow	205
Frank Lasher	202

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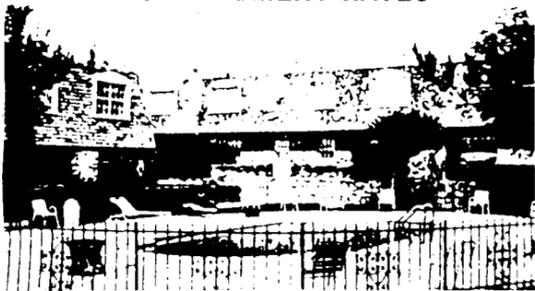
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Soldier trying to make best of Army opportunities

BY SKIP VAUGHN

The Army is what you make of it, according to a staff sergeant here who is doing a pretty good job of making it work for him.

SSgt. Jack Ickes is a pulse radar repairman for the Hawk missile system. In his six and a half years as a soldier, he has received the Army Commendation Medal, three Army Achievement Medals, and several other distinctions. He was awaiting word on his application to the Officer Candidate School.

Not bad for a guy who left Ohio State University after only a couple of quarters and joined the Army for electronics training.

"I've never regretted joining the Army," Ickes says. "I'd do it all over again. The only thing I'd do differently is that I'd buy a whole lot of long-johns to take to Wildflecken, Germany, with me. That's the coldest I've ever been in my life."

He went to basic training at Fort McClellan, Ala., in September 1979 then came to Redstone that November for a course in Hawk pulse radar repair. He was an honor graduate. Ickes went on to spend a tour at Fort Bragg—where he was named distinguished soldier of the month—and then three cold years in Germany.

The radars at Wildflecken were on top of a high peak. There was a cold wind for a soldier who had to fix them. Ickes was stationed only six miles from the East German border, near the south end of the "Fulda Gap."

"I think every soldier coming out of AIT (advanced individual training) should go to Germany direct because right then they put their skills to use," he says. "It's the real thing. You're actually up there for a purpose, you can see what you're doing. You can see what you're actually contributing to national defense."

Ickes reenlisted to return to Redstone in January 1985. He wanted to finish up a two-year degree and work on a bachelor's in engineering.

"I think anybody stationed at Redstone needs to go to college here because I don't think they're going to get a better opportunity worldwide in the Army. There's ample schools on post and off post," he says.

He received an associate's degree in missile munitions technology from Calhoun Community College

last November. Now he has about a year and a half to go before he earns an electronic engineering degree.

"There's no way you're going to be able to succeed in today's Army without college," he says, referring to the many people competing for promotions.

The 26-year-old soldier is from Vermilion, Ohio, a small town located on Lake Erie, between Cleveland and Toledo. He has two brothers and three sisters; he's the youngest son and the second to the youngest overall. His father, James, is a retired tool-and-dye maker. His mother, Coletta, is a teacher's aide and secretary for the local elementary school.

After he was graduated from high school in 1978, Ickes attended Ohio State for two quarters. The next quarter he attended a two-year college closer to home then he decided to join the Army. While home on leave, he married his high school sweetheart on Dec. 21, 1979.

He and Janet, who lived about two miles from where he grew up, have twin daughters. Jenny and Julie, 4, were born at Fort Bragg. Since he and his wife both attend school, he mostly spends his remaining spare time with his family and not with his hobbies (fishing and racquetball).

"I think the Army is exactly what you make of it," says Ickes, a member of the Hawk section in RASA's logistics services division. "If you take advantage of all the opportunities that are available to you, then the Army's going to be the best thing that'll ever happen to you."



APPLICANT — SSgt. Jack Ickes of HHC awaits word on his application to Officer Candidate School.



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DAY COURSES	DAY	TIME	CREDIT	BLDG.
BIO 102 Gen. Zoology	S	8:00-12:50	5	3650
BUS 201 Account. I	T-TH	10:30-12:50	5	3222
BUS 251 Economics I	T-TH	8:00-10:20	5	3222
ENG 099 Prep English	M-W	8:00-10:20	5	3222
ENG 102 Eng. Comp. II	M-W	10:30-12:50	5	3222
SOC 221 Marriage	T-TH	10:30-12:50	5	3222
EVENING COURSES	DAY	TIME	CREDIT	BLDG.
BIO 103 Gen. Botany	F	4:30-9:20	5	3650
BUS 151 Bus. Math	M-W	7:00-9:20	5	3650
BUS 201 Account. I	T-TH	7:00-9:20	5	3650
BUS 202 Account. II	T-TH	4:30-6:50	5	3650
BUS 251 Economics I	T-TH	4:30-6:50	5	3650
BUS 251 Economics II	M-W	7:00-9:20	5	3650
BUS 252 Economics II	T-TH	7:00-9:20	5	3650
BUS 261 Bus. Law I	M-W	4:30-6:50	5	3650
BUS 281 Person'l Mgt.	M-W	7:00-9:20	5	3650
CIS 105 Intro to CIS	M-W	4:30-6:50	5	3650
CIS 205 BASIC Progr.	M-W	7:00-9:20	5	3650
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ENG 099 Prep English	M-W	4:30-6:50	5	3650
ENG 101 Eng. Comp. I	M-W	4:30-6:50	5	3650
ENG 101 Eng. Comp. II	T-TH	4:30-6:50	5	3650
ENG 102 Eng. Comp. II	T-TH	7:00-9:20	5	3650
ENG 13 Tech. Writing	M-W	7:00-9:20	5	3650
GSC 212 Environ. Sty.	T-TH	7:00-9:20	5	3650
HIS 101 West. Civ. I	M-W	7:00-9:20	5	3650
HIS 202 Amer. His II	M-W	4:30-6:50	5	3650
MTH 096 Arithmetic	T-TH	4:30-6:50	5	3650
MTH 097 Elem. Algebra	T-TH	7:00-9:20	5	3650
MTH 099 Int. Algebra	M-W	7:00-9:20	5	3650
MTH 101 Contemp. Math	T-TH	4:30-6:50	5	3650
MTH 111 Col. Algebra	M-W	7:00-9:20	5	3650
MTH 112 Trigonometry	T-TH	7:00-9:20	5	3650
PSH 101 Psys. Surv. I	T-TH	4:30-6:50	5	3650
PSY 111 Orientation	M	4:30-6:00	1	3650
PSY 111 Orientation	TH	4:30-6:00	1	3650
PSY 201 Gen. Psych.	M-W	7:00-9:20	5	3650
PSY 204 Child Psych.	M-W	4:30-6:50	5	3650
QTY 103 Prob./Stat. I	M-W	4:30-6:50	5	3650
QTY 204 Inspect. Eng.	M-W	7:00-9:20	5	3650
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Army personnel officials had commissioned the review to ensure that the laboratory could meet the needs of POW/MIA families and could sustain the highest level of scrutiny from the scientific and legal communities. In support of that purpose, four objectives were developed: to study the soundness and acceptability of existing procedures of identification and documentation in terms of the pertinent standards of the scientific and legal communities; to examine the qualifications of professional personnel dealing directly with the identification procedure; to inspect the suitability of the facilities and equipment used in the ID process; and to recommend appropriate actions toward improving both the ID process and credibility within the public and the scientific community.

Recommendations

The review team's recommendations ranged over such matters as personnel staffing support, professional development of staff members, disposition of commingled remains, and adequacy of facilities and equipment.

For example, the team confirmed that the laboratory's administration has an excellent record, and that the staff of anthropologists is well trained, experienced and technically competent. Because of the

staff's isolation from colleagues on the continent, there needs to be more contact with them via such means as correspondence, contributions to professional journals, and attendance at professional meetings, the team found. It also found that the lab's facilities are "between inadequate and barely adequate in most respects," recommending that they be upgraded. "The laboratory is doing a good job with its routine processing of more-or-less complete skeletons and should be commended for its work."

The team's report also dealt with the laboratory's most recent problem of processing commingled remains recovered from an air-crash site in Laos. Those problems arose from the extent to which the remains were commingled, and entailed presumptive findings on such points as determining gender and race. The team noted that "in other difficult cases of commingling the (laboratory) recommended that intermixed remains be given a group burial. We found this to be the most reasonable course for cases involving [commingled remains] that could not be segregated into reliably identified individuals.

"The documentation of routine identifications appears to be biologically and legally sound," the team concluded. "Nevertheless, more effort could be made to obtain additional old civilian medical records,

photographs and radiographs in many cases where positive identification could be made based on them." To pursue that effort, the laboratory should acquire the services of a full-time investigator, the team said.

Identification rate

Their report also cited the lab's "commendably high identification rate" of more than 90 percent in routine cases. This rate compares "favorably with most of the identifications of skeletal remains made by medical examiners in the United States and should stand up in any court of law."

Thus far, officials have viewed the team's recommendations favorably. As they proceed to implement most of them, they emphasize that "the current policy of full and complete disclosure with the families will continue," and that they will continue to be supportive whenever the next-of-kin desire opinions from the private sector. (Arnews)



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60 thru 64	4,000	2,000	2,000	10	4
65 thru 69	3,000	1,500	2,000	10	4
70 & Over	2,000	1,000	2,000	10	4
TWO UNITS OF COVERAGE					
Under 30	\$ 50,000	\$ 20,000	\$ 4,000	\$ 9	\$ 4
30 thru 34	56,000	20,000	4,000	9	4
35 thru 39	54,000	24,000	4,000	11	6
40 thru 44	54,000	24,000	4,000	13	6
45 thru 49	40,000	14,000	4,000	17	6
50 thru 54	24,000	12,000	4,000	17	6
55 thru 59	16,000	6,000	4,000	17	6
60 thru 64	8,000	4,000	4,000	17	6
65 thru 69	6,000	3,000	4,000	17	6
70 & Over	4,000	2,000	4,000	17	6
THREE UNITS OF COVERAGE					
Under 30	\$ 75,000	\$ 30,000	\$ 6,000	\$ 12	\$ 5
30 thru 34	84,000	30,000	6,000	12	5
35 thru 39	81,000	36,000	6,000	15	8
40 thru 44	81,000	36,000	6,000	18	8
45 thru 49	60,000	21,000	6,000	24	8
50 thru 54	36,000	18,000	6,000	24	8
55 thru 59	24,000	9,000	6,000	24	8
60 thru 64	12,000	6,000	6,000	24	8
65 thru 69	9,000	4,000	6,000	24	8
70 & Over	6,000	3,000	6,000	24	8
FOUR UNITS OF COVERAGE					
Under 30	\$100,000	\$ 40,000	\$ 8,000	\$ 15	\$ 6
30 thru 34	112,000	40,000	8,000	15	6
35 thru 39	108,000	48,000	8,000	19	10
40 thru 44	108,000	48,000	8,000	23	10
45 thru 49	80,000	28,000	8,000	31	10
50 thru 54	48,000	24,000	8,000	31	10
55 thru 59	32,000	12,000	8,000	31	10
60 thru 64	16,000	8,000	8,000	31	10
65 thru 69	12,000	6,000	8,000	31	10
70 & Over	8,000	4,000	8,000	31	10
FIVE UNITS OF COVERAGE					
Under 30	\$125,000	\$ 50,000	\$10,000	\$ 18	\$ 7
30 thru 34	140,000	50,000	10,000	18	7
35 thru 39	135,000	60,000	10,000	23	12
40 thru 44	135,000	60,000	10,000	28	12
45 thru 49	100,000	35,000	10,000	38	12
50 thru 54	60,000	30,000	10,000	38	12
55 thru 59	40,000	15,000	10,000	38	12
60 thru 64	20,000	10,000	10,000	38	12
65 thru 69	15,000	7,500	10,000	38	12
70 & Over	10,000	5,000	10,000	38	12
SIX UNITS OF COVERAGE					
Under 30	\$150,000	\$ 60,000	\$12,000	\$21	\$ 8
30 thru 34	168,000	60,000	12,000	21	8
35 thru 39	162,000	72,000	12,000	27	14
40 thru 44	162,000	72,000	12,000	33	14
45 thru 49	120,000	42,000	12,000	45	14
50 thru 54	72,000	36,000	12,000	45	14
55 thru 59	48,000	18,000	12,000	45	14
60 thru 64	24,000	12,000	12,000	45	14
65 thru 69	18,000	9,000	12,000	45	14
70 & Over	12,000	6,000	12,000	45	14

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Announcements

Top graduates

The following soldiers received honor or distinguished graduate awards for highest academic standing in Ordnance Missile and Munitions Center and School courses graduated Feb. 10-14: Sgt. Jerry L. Dodson, distinguished, Pvt. Stanley E. Lewis Jr., honor, both of multiple launch rocket repairer course. Sgt. John E. Errington, distinguished, Sgt. Robert L. Hull II, honor, Sp4 Michael G. Markal, distinguished, PFC William J. Zottnick, honor, all of ammunition specialist course. Capt. John Wright and Capt. Paul Heiney, distinguished, Capt. David Lee and Capt. Kathleen Wood, honor, all of ordnance officer advanced (munitions materiel management) course. Capt. Charles Carroll and Capt. Mardi Mark, distinguished, Capt. Cynthia Howell and Capt. James Gutierrez, honor, all of ordnance officer advanced (missile materiel management) course. PFC Walter Allen, distinguished, PFC James F. Naparla, honor, both of Pershing electronic repair course. Pvt. Clifford B. Gilmore, distinguished, Pvt. Ronald A. Blackman, honor, both of Tow/Dragon repairer course.

Commissary

Commissary patrons are not allowed to take packages or bags into the shopping area unless they are securely sealed. Unsealed packages will be subject to inspection by commissary personnel, and will be stapled shut by ID checkers.

Travel pay

Travelers are reminded to complete all blocks on the Travel Voucher or Subvoucher (DD Form 1351-2). Failure to complete the information will result in vouchers being returned, and will delay final payment of travel reimbursement. Supervisors are responsible for verifying that the travel voucher, with all its supporting documentation, is complete. This double review by traveler and supervisor will help to eliminate delays and dissatisfaction, and enhance service, according to finance officials.

Steer show

The Tennessee Valley Steer Show will be held at the Madison County Coliseum Thursday, March 6, beginning at 10 a.m. There will be 85 steer calves on display by members of 4-H, FFA and FHA from nine Alabama counties.

MICOM wives

The MICOM wives will hold a luncheon at the Officers Club March 18 at 11 a.m. Guest speaker is Mr. Meacham of Meacham Nursery, who will speak on "What Grows and How to Grow It." Reservations can be made by mailing a \$5 check payable to the Officers Club to Mrs. George Laslo, 42 Ripley Dr., Redstone Arsenal, AL 35808 by March 13. For more information call 830-9208 or 881-3043.

Business women

The Ala-Hunt Chapter of the American Business Women's Association will hold an enrollment drive Tuesday, March 11 at the Huntsville Holiday Inn. Any woman who is employed is eligible for membership. For more information call Joni Hass 830-9700 days or 772-3888 evenings; or Judith Orr 772-9671, ext. 215 days or 859-1862 evenings.

Arthritis Foundation

The Arthritis Foundation support group will meet Sunday, March 9 at 2 p.m. in the Clinical Science building on the corner of Longwood Drive and Gallatin Street. Parking will be available. Speakers for the meeting are Sam Thomas of the Social Security Administration and T. K. Bridges of Vocational Rehabilitation Services. Their topic is "Social Security Benefits and Vocational Rehabilitation Services for the Person with Arthritis." There is no charge for the meeting, and everyone is invited. For more information call 536-9117.

Learning resource center

The LRC is offering two new maintenance courses. Electrical maintenance and mechanical maintenance are 200-hour courses which give students a basic look at and understanding of electricity and machinery. To enroll in one or both of the courses submit a DD form 1556 to AMSMI-CP-TC/LRC, Bldg. 7446, Attn: Learning Resource Center. For more information call 876-1061/1416.

Officers call

Separate mandatory officer calls will be held March 7 for all commissioned and warrant officers assigned to MICOM. Commissioned officers will meet from 2-4 p.m. at the Post Theatre, building 3712. At this time, representatives from DA Milpercen's System Implementations Office will present a briefing on recent changes resulting from the OPMS study completed in 1984. Warrant officers will meet from 2-4 p.m. at Toftoy Hall auditorium, building 3495. Milpercen representatives will discuss warrant officer OPMS issues and changes resulting from the Total Warrant Officer Study. For more information, call Military Personnel Division 876-2010.

Chapel events

Upcoming chapel events include the following: The World Day of Prayer will be observed by the Military Council of Catholic Women

and the Protestant Women of the Chapel at a joint meeting March 7 at 9:30 a.m., at the Bicentennial Chapel. A Mass in Korean followed by a potluck supper will be held March 15 at 6 p.m. at the Post Chapel. The Catholic Youth of the Chapel will meet March 8 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at the Bicentennial Chapel; Catholic youth in grades 7-12 are invited. The Protestant Youth of the Chapel will meet March 9 from 3:30-5 p.m. at the Bicentennial Chapel; youth in grades 4-7 are to come in hobo costumes and bring two cans of vegetables, one of which will go into "hobo stew" and the other will be donated to the Huntsville Rescue Mission; grades 8-12 will have activities at the Post Chapel. The Widows or Widowers group will meet March 11 at 7 p.m. at the Bicentennial Chapel and all civilian and military widows and widowers are invited. The Protestant Women of the Chapel Bible Study Group will meet March 12 at 9:30 a.m. at the Bicentennial Chapel.

Civilian retiree identification

All Army civilian retirees are entitled to a Civilian Retiree Identification Card, which bears the retiree's signature, photograph and date of retirement. Retiring employees should be advised by the Security Directorate of their entitlement to a card as they clear the post. Civilian Personnel will forward requests for cards from those individuals who already have retired. Retirees who wish to obtain a card should contact Doris Gable 876-3902.

Post exchange

On March 14 the service station pump island will extend its Friday night operating hours to 8 p.m. for a 60-day trial period. Pump island hours on Saturday will be extended to 5 p.m.

Red Cross blood program

Here's the schedule for the Red Cross blood program. March 7, building 5250 (bus) 7:30-noon; March 8, 3497 (7th Student Co.), 8-noon; 3480 S (4th Student Co.), 7-noon; March 14, 4488, 7:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.; March 18, 4708 (McDonnell-Douglas), 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.; March 20, Thiokol (bus), 7:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.; March 21, 5681 (bus), 7 a.m. - 1 p.m.; March 27, 4650 (Teledyne Brown), 9:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.; March 28, 4505 (bus) 7:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.; March 29, 3480 S (6th Student Co.), 7-noon. For more information call Naomi Whitaker, Redstone Arsenal blood program coordinator, at 876-3124/2759.

Found property

The Security Directorate has recovered a bag containing miscellaneous coins. The owner can identify and claim the property by contacting the Investigations Division in building 3649 or by calling 876-2090/3449.

Ring lost

Diamond cluster ring, silver in color lost at post exchange, commissary or hospital. Reward offered. Call 837-4565.

Computer users

The Apple computer users will meet March 8 at 1 p.m. in the Universal Data Systems cafeteria at 5000 Bradford Ave., N.W. Topic of discussion will be "Using the Apple Computer for Taxes." For more information call Jack Lundy 876-9414.

Hispanic Church of God

The Hispanic Church of God in Huntsville invites you to fellowship every Saturday at 7 p.m. at 3806 Colonial Park Circle. For more information call Pastor Ted Alejandro 830-6511.

Hockey tickets

The Recreation Center is selling tickets for the "Alabama Face-Off" collegiate ice hockey tournament at the civic center March 7-8. Adult tickets are \$6, and children tickets cost \$3. This is a savings of \$6 off the gate price for adults, and \$3 off the gate price for children. The recreation center has a limited number of tickets. They are on sale from 1:30 to 9 p.m. at the center (building 3711 on Patton Road). Ticket sales are open to military and government employees. For more information call 876-4531.

Children's ballet

There will be a parents meeting March 13 for those interested in children's ballet classes. Other forms of dance will also be discussed. Only one parent need attend. The meeting will be held 7 p.m. March 13 at the Youth Center, building 114. The instructor will be Valerie Gormes. For more information, call 876-KIDS.

Severe weather week

Governor George Wallace has proclaimed March 3-7 as Severe Weather Preparedness Week in Alabama and Mayor Joe Davis and County Commission Chairman Mike Gillespie have proclaimed a local observance in Huntsville and Madison County. Both state and local proclamations encourage increased public awareness of the dangers of severe weather and of protective actions that can be taken to reduce injuries and save lives.

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Armed forces celebration set

Paratroopers, military and industry exhibits, baseball, a parade, a volksmarch and Bob Hope will highlight Huntsville's annual tribute to our nation's military during the Armed Forces Celebration this May.

The armed forces celebration was started as a way for the military and civilian communities of the area to join together in recognizing the support and benefits each has given the other over the past 40 years.

This year's celebration will be longer than last year's three-day tribute, with more activities geared for family participation.

Events begin Saturday, May 17 with a volksmarch, which, translated from German, means "people walk," in the historic district of downtown Huntsville. Volksmarching is a popular way in Europe for families to get out together, exercise, and view scenic or historic areas. Anyone can take part in the walk, and those who pay the \$2 entry fee will receive a participation award.

Displays of military hardware and other exhibits will be put on by the Army and contractors at the Von Braun Civic Center. The exhibits will open May 20.

The Association of the United States Army will treat military personnel to an evening of Huntsville Stars baseball May 22. Miss Alabama and the Army's 82nd Airborne Division will also appear at the game.

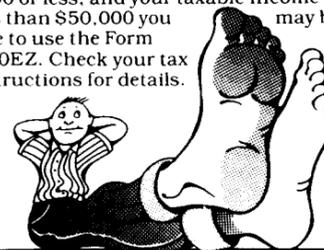
Redstone Arsenal will welcome the community to a retreat and retirement parade and a parachute drop by the 82nd Airborne on May 23. The parade will honor soldiers retiring during May. Vietnam veterans are invited as special guests.

The final event in the week-long celebration is the Bob Hope show May 24. Tickets for the evening are \$25, but approximately 1,200 military personnel who are captains and below will get free tickets. Their families, and senior citizens will receive a discount.

For more information about the celebration call 533-4141.

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Questions & Answers about AIDS

What is AIDS?

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What Causes AIDS?

AIDS is caused by a virus. The virus is called HTLV-III/LAV. (Human T-Cell Lymphotropic Virus Type III/Lymphavenopahty Associated Virus).

How Is The Virus Spread?

The common ways of infection are through transfer of infected blood or semen directly into the body of another individual. In many areas of the world, prostitutes may have the virus. Many service members are either stationed in these areas or are making port calls there. Service members who have sex with prostitutes should use a condom. Drug use that involves sharing needles can also spread the virus. There is no evidence that the virus can be caught by touching, hugging, shaking hands or using toilet seats.

How Do I Know If I Have The Virus?

There are blood tests which will tell if you have been infected. They test for antibodies for the virus. It is important to know that having been infected does not mean that you will automatically develop AIDS. To date, about 5-30 percent of people who have an-

tibodies to the virus have been found to get AIDS within six months to five years of the time they become infected. The others may never get sick. Although not sick from the virus, you can pass the virus to someone else who may get sick.

What Are The Symptoms Of Someone With The Virus Who Gets Sick?

Usually tiredness, fever, loss of appetite and weight, diarrhea, night sweats and swollen glands. If you have these symptoms for more than two weeks, you should see your doctor.

Is There Danger In Giving Or Receiving Blood?

Giving or receiving blood in a U.S. military hospital or clinic is not dangerous. If you know that you are positive for antibody to the virus, you should not donate blood.

How Can I Best Protect Myself From The Virus?

Don't share dirty needles (including those used for acupuncture, tattoos, ear piercing, etc.).

Don't have sex with many partners or with persons who have sex with many partners.

As is always recommended, items of personal hygiene (such as toothbrushes, razors or other personal gear) should never be shared.

The actions YOU CHOOSE will determine your risk for AIDS.

Crash victims identified

WASHINGTON — The Department of the Army announced Feb. 25 that all 248 soldiers killed in the Arrow Air crash on Dec. 12, 1985 at Gander, Newfoundland have been identified.

All next-of-kin have been notified and the remains of the victims still at the Port Mortuary at Dover Air Force Base in Delaware will soon be moved to the families' chosen location for burial.

In making the announcement, Secretary of the Army John O. Marsh Jr., expressed appreciation to the Canadian government for its assistance to the Army. He singled out the Royal Canadian Mounted Police and the Canadian Aviation Safety Board for their "extraordinary assistance to the Army during this tragic time in our history."

Marsh also thanked the many U.S. government agencies, including the State Department, FBI, and the National Transportation Safety Board for their significant support.

Canadian Aviation Safety Board authorities are continuing to investigate the cause of the accident. (Arnews)

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