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Military police plan busy Fourth of July

Military police will begin setting up sobriety checkpoints for the July 4th holiday weekend and plan to continue this safety effort throughout the summer.

At various locations and times, vehicles will be directed through an "S" shaped cone maze to help the MPs identify drivers under the influence of alcohol or drugs. Those suspected of driving under the influence will be issued an on-the-spot field sobriety test and taken to the MP station for either a blood analysis or breath test, according to 1st Lt. Terry Wilfong, acting provost marshal.

The checkpoints will be "strictly controlled so that we don't have any traffic hazards forming out of this," he said. Locations are to include gates and various sites on post. The effort is part of the Army-wide "101 days of safety" program for the summer. Military police and the MICOM safety office have been coordinating the program for Redstone.

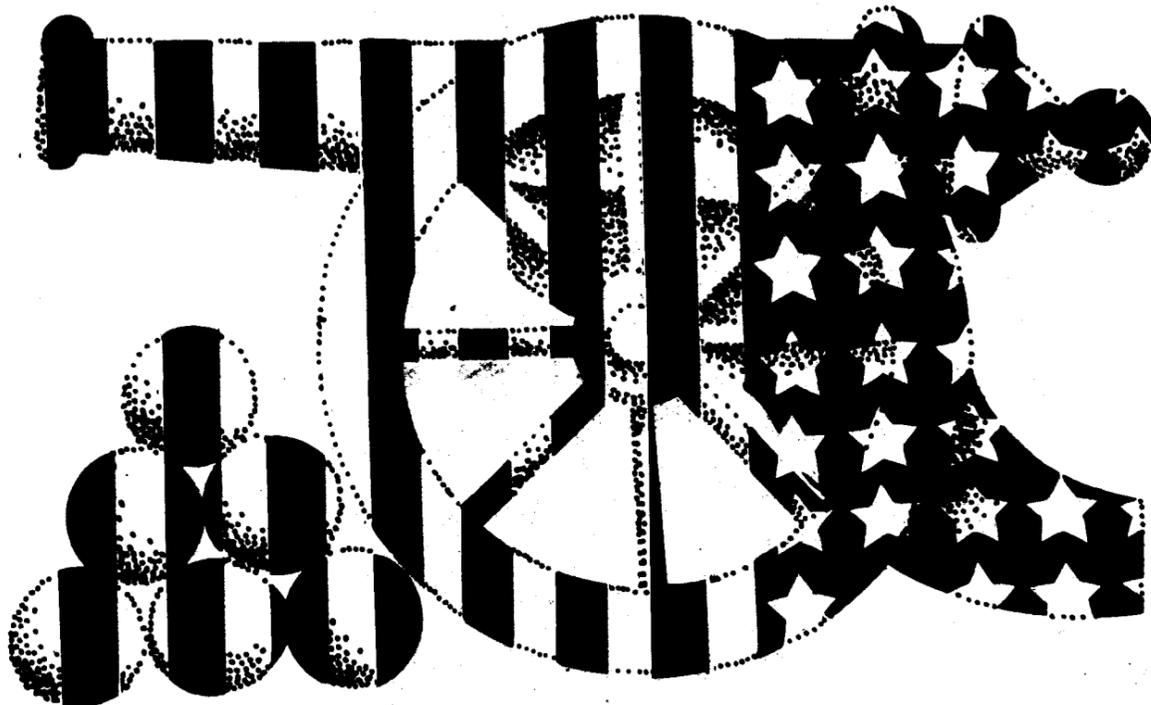
"We want people to have safe holidays," Wilfong said. "We want this safety program to work and we're going to assist the Army in that manner."

Military police plan to operate the sobriety checkpoints at various times—day or night. "We're going to operate them during peak DUI times," said SFC Steve Shaver, the police operations NCO. "This is a program to let the public know we're out there trying to stop DUIs."

While the MPs will be busy July 4th, many activities will close for the annual holiday.

Federal offices will have Friday off. The bank and credit union offices here will be closed; the commissary will be closed; and the Officers Club will be closed.

Other activities plan to alter their schedule for the holiday. The NCO Club will be open from 12:30-6:30 p.m. The Post Exchange plans the following hours: main store, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; shoppette, 10 a.m. to 10 p.m.; service station pump island, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.; theater, opens at 7 p.m.; and all other facilities, closed.



JULY 4TH INDEPENDENCE DAY

Learning centers open doors to family members

Adult family members of Army learning center users are now eligible to use those centers themselves.

The Department of Army has changed the regulation and it permits adult family members of all users—military and civilian—to use the learning centers, according to Dr. Delia Black, chief of training and career management division in the civilian personnel office. Previously, the only people eligible were military and civilian employees of the armed forces.

"We will have a special form for the sponsor of the person and the family member to fill out the first time the family member comes to a course," Black said. The sponsor only has to accompany the family member on this first visit to the center; after that, the family member can return alone.

The Army Learning Center (or Learning Resource Center) base is located at building 7446 in the civilian personnel office area. There are two "satellite" centers—one at Fox Army Community Hospital, and the other in the Strategic Defense Command building in Research Park. The policy applies to those centers, too, however "restriction on entry to the satellites will be governed by the people who control those buildings themselves," Black said.

The regulation entitled "Army Learning Centers" applies to learning centers Army-wide. Officials here became aware of the change recently.

These local centers offer a variety of self-paced courses in academics, sciences and businesses. Black

estimates there are about 1,400 courses. The methods used are computer-based instruction and multi-media which generally involves videotapes and text. "There's an excellent program in basic skills for those who feel they need help in that area for taking any tests of some sort—such things as writing, mathematics, social sciences—as well as an excellent curriculum in management," Black said.

"I should think that particularly in the summertime for family members who are in college and at home, this will be an excellent way to supplement academic weaknesses they may have encountered," she said.

Statistics are kept on amount of training that was completed by visitors over a given period of time at the three local centers. So far this fiscal year, there have been 3,700 completions of training at the centers.

Hawk missile system has 30th birthday

BY BOB HUBBARD

Hawk is the free world's unblinking sentinel. MICOM's bullet with a brain guards the skies of the United States and a score of friendly nations around the world against low-to-medium altitude air attack.

That's a 24 hour, seven-days-a-week job, not bad for the Army's oldest operational missile.

Hawk is 30, old as missiles go, but has kept pace with evolving technology and the end of its useful life is nowhere in sight.

What's the reason for Hawk's longevity? Simple. Then, as now, it's a good system that works.

For Hawk to be alive and thriving after three decades is also a tribute to the men and women, soldiers and civilians of both the Army and industry Hawk team.

Good people, and a good system, mean Hawk could easily be around for another 30 years.

Hawk was born on a hot, sunny day at White Sands Missile Range, N.M., June 22, 1956.

There was only one missile, no backup. The single rail launcher was affectionately dubbed "leaking Lena" due to hydraulic leaks. Damp cloths were placed over the missile guidance section during pre-flight tests to prevent overheating.

But when the button was pushed, about 1 o'clock that day, the missile swooped down on the F-80 drone, flying at 11,000 feet, and demolished it in a shower of flaming fragments.

That's a scene repeated many times since then yet, somehow, that first time was special.

Happy Birthday, Hawk.



Willing to quit

Editor:

Re the ban on smoking: I am a very heavy smoker but I'd like to quit. I realize that I am committing slow suicide and also harming those who must breathe my secondhand smoke. I've realized that it's harder for some people to quit smoking than to quit using heroin.

So what is the Army going to do to help me quit smoking besides ban it at work? I am willing to quit but I don't know if I can. It seems that there is more help available for drug users than for smokers.

Kay Caplin
AMSMI-LC-SO

Quitting smoking

Editor:

It was with great interest that I read the article in the June 18th issue of the *Rocket* entitled "Army issues strict 'controlling smoking' policy." I also felt a sense of irony when I noticed the same issue contained a full-page cigarette ad.

By now the facts about the negative impact caused by nicotine usage have been more than adequately determined and the evidence is sufficiently clear enough to convince any person of average intelligence (even one without common sense) of the risks one takes and imposes on others when one smokes. Thus, I applaud any policy which discourages such a habit.

The rub is though that smoking is more than just a habit—although if it were just that, breaking it would be hard enough since habits are first cobwebs then ropes and then chains. No, smoking can be more than a habit—it can be an addiction, both a physiological and a psychological dependence. Having been a heavy smoker for over half my life, believe me I know. I never have needed the results of numerous studies to know that smoking is not good for me. My own body has told me that. More times than I care to reflect on, I have found myself wracked by smokers' cough and have cursed my own weakness for not having quit. And more times than I also care to think about, I have vowed to quit and failed.

I even enrolled in a smokers' cessation class and almost—almost quit, till I was transferred out of town and the stress of the move drove me again back to nicotine.

The point of all this is as follows: Recently I noted an ad in the *Rocket* for a smokers' cessation class.

Deciding to try that route again since I was so nearly successful at quitting that way before, I called the number for further information—only to find out that attendance is limited to military personnel only. That was quite a disappointment, being that I am not in the military but a civil servant. I would like to raise the question that if the U.S. Army is concerned enough over smoking to hold smokers' cessation classes, why just for the military and not the civil servants who support them?

Oh I realize there are civilian paths open—sometimes, for those who wish to quit—but often these are either expensive or are impractical to attend time-wise. I laud the Army's policy on smoking but encourage the Army to meet us would-be quitters halfway.

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Solution Proposed

Editor:

When I entered the Army in 1965, we were authorized a 10-minute break every hour. The instructors in Basic, AIT, OCS and other service schools would yell out at exactly 50 minutes after the hour, "Break time—smoke 'em if you got 'em". All the smokers would light up and we non-smokers would stand around with our fingers in our ears. So I took up smoking to have something to do on break and because it was the accepted and encouraged thing to do in the Army then. A few years ago the Army launched their campaign against fat and booze, and now cigarettes. They fed us like hogs, encouraged smoking and drinking and are now saying we cannot do those things.

I am no longer in the Army but am a civilian employee of the Army who still smokes. In the civilian workforce we are allowed one 15 minute break in the morning and one in the afternoon plus 30 minutes for lunch. That means I can enjoy four cigarettes a day at work (two at lunch if I eat fast). I say enjoy because I do enjoy them. I know better than any non-smoker (except ex-smokers) how bad they are for my health and what they do to my lung capacity and I truly believe that secondhand smoke is also a health hazard. I try not to smoke around non-smokers and to respect their rights.

I would bet next period's pay that the next step will be to enforce the two breaks a day policy, probably with non-smoking supervisors monitoring the halls (like in grade school) with a stop watch and a smokers' name chart. If you have ever watched anyone trying to quit smoking, you will note "we" are nervous, short tempered, cranky and are not pleasant to be around. The same will be true when limited to three or four cigarettes in an 8½ hour work day. That will make for a wholesome work environment, won't it! The morale of smokers will be at an all-time low.

The solution is to have conveniently-located smoking areas and a liberal break policy (5-7 minutes each hour) without the "hall monitors" (of course, the non-smokers will demand equal time).

Smokers and non-smokers can live together if we respect each others rights.

Name withheld by request

Dislikes smoke

Editor:

I can't help but comment on the letters in the June 25th *Rocket* about the banning of smoking in federal buildings.

I am and always will be the first person to scream about personal liberties and to point out that freedom of choice is the trademark of our great nation. However, smoking is an issue that so blatantly and unavoidably affects others that it simply cannot be thrown in with all the other personal liberties frequently found on the chopping block.

A lit cigarette not only fills the lungs of the lucky owner with smoke, it fills the air around him with smoke, forcing others to breathe it, too, and sours the entire area. I shower and wash my hair in the morning, but after a few minutes at work, I smell like a smoker, too. Because I don't like smoke, my co-workers try to be considerate of me and smoke in an adjoining office. However, visitors of all ranks completely ignore the posted "no smoking" signs and puff away. Mr. Johnston's claim (June 25) that smoking harms no one but himself is untrue. I have asthma and allergies and find smoke extremely irritating—it makes my nose run and eyes water not to mention coughing—but I

shouldn't have to be sick to have my dislike for smoke considered. The anonymous letter (June 25) compares smoking to snack machines; if I wish to spend my entire paycheck in the candy machine and be buried in a piano case, no one will be required to breathe air polluted with 90 parts per million of carbon. Federal air quality standards for outdoor air limit carbon concentrations to nine 9 parts per million.

Working with people who smoke in the office is like driving behind the septic tank cleaner truck for 8 hours a day.

Jenifer Perry
OMMCS

Cancer risk

Editor:

Both writers against the "smoking ban" (*The Mailbox*, June 25) seem to start off fairly factually and then get lost in emotional pleas for their right to pollute the air that others must breathe. The Army has banned smoking in enclosed spaces where others may be involuntarily subjected to it. The Army has *not* banned smoking, where it can be done without raising the cancer risk of others. Mr. Johnston and "name withheld" are more than welcome to smoke...either outside or in their own homes. (By the way, I have never smoked but I have a form of cancer which requires that I get a chest X-ray every few months to see that I haven't started lung cancer; I really don't need any "help" in getting it.)

W. Benson
U.S. Army (retired)

The right thing

Editor:

Congratulations are in store for the Department of the Army for finally doing the right thing, stopping smoking around non-smokers!

You smokers out there have had the good life and smoked wherever and whenever you pleased, totally obsessed with your own "enjoyment" of your smoking tool and oblivious of everybody else's right to clean air. And we non-smokers have had to put up with smoke tainted clothes and hair, smarting eyes and lungs and a rotten taste in our mouths just so you could enjoy your "right to smoke." Not anymore! Now we have the right to not ask, but insist that you do not smoke in our presence.

The letters in *The Rocket* on June 25 indicate the displeasure of some smokers out there. Too bad. All I can say is that for too many years, you have abused your "right to smoke" and now it's gone. Thank God.

Name withheld by request

AER campaign

Editor:

To all supporters of the Army Emergency Relief fund drive, all of us at Army Community Service wish to extend a sincere thanks for your generous time and efforts in supporting the AER campaign. It is due to your tremendous initiatives and drive that the AER fund drive was able to exceed its goal. We just couldn't have done it without you. A sincere thanks for your worthy efforts (which) will help many a soldier and family member in time of need.

Janeen H. Rosenberg
Chief, Army Community Service

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Information management director getting expanded role

BY SKIP VAUGHN

The new director of information management takes the reins of an organization heading toward a major merger.

Bob Payne became director of Information Management Directorate on June 1. It will be merging in the not-too-distant future with the Information Systems Command-Redstone and several other information related activities on post. They will all merge into one Information Systems Command organization.

"Essentially when all this happens we'll be a tenant activity on Redstone Arsenal," said Payne, who is to become director of the new organization. He added that its mission will still be to support the Missile Command. The merger is planned to occur in two phases—the first on Oct. 1 and the second sometime within the January to March 1987 period. Information activities to be included in the merger include records management activity, the audiovisual activity, and the printing plant. They are all presently part of Redstone Arsenal Support Activity.

The merger is among the challenges of "an extremely challenging job," said Payne. He assumed the director's post from Bill McBride, who is now serving as deputy. "He's got some health problems and is planning retirement so it was his recommendation to the command group that we switch jobs," Payne said.

Information Management Directorate's mission has been to provide automatic data processing support to the Missile Command and tenant agencies. With the reorganization, its mission will expand beyond computers to include total information support—communications, audiovisual, records management and printing.

"Our biggest objective in this directorate is to develop an information technology base that will provide the capability to supply information to the MICOM customers that need it when they need it," said Payne.

The 44-year-old Boaz, Ala., native came to Redstone in 1960. He started as a temporary clerk-typist in the old Army Rocket and Guided Missile Agency. He worked as a communications relay equipment operator from October 1960 to February 1964. He then became a computer programmer by passing the federal service entrance examination. Payne stayed in the computer programming and computer specialist fields until June 1976 when he was assigned as chief of the computer control branch in Information Management Directorate's operations division. In September 1976, he became a computer specialist on the policy staff.

Payne was promoted to chief of the directorate's program management office in August 1982. In December 1985, he became the deputy director.

"Essentially, more and more information that people need to do their job is stored and processed by computers. So the computer is rapidly becoming a part of almost every job that needs to be accomplished," Payne said. "We expect that in the future probably half the workforce in the Missile Command will have either a computer or computer terminal on their desk. And we feel that with increasing workload and declining manpower, more and proper automation is absolutely essential because automation and computers is the key in achieving the productivity improvements that we must achieve."

The ultimate objective is "support to our soldiers

and the readiness of our Army, and automation plays a big part in that objective," he said.

"We are well-known throughout the AMC community as having the best information management organization within the AMC community," Payne said. "And my job is to keep it that way."



PAYNE

Services work to improve military housing

BY DONNA BOLINGER

American Forces Information Service

Nobody likes to receive orders for a new duty station, only to learn that it could be months — even years — before they will be assigned government quarters.

Almost 58 percent of those family members polled during the Defense Department's most recent survey about housing at stateside installations, published in 1983, said they were dissatisfied with the length of waiting lists for family housing. Forty percent of military families stationed overseas expressed similar dissatisfaction in a 1984 survey.

In some cases, a family might be ready to move on to the next duty station before receiving notice of an on-base housing availability.

A military family stationed at El Toro, Calif., can expect to wait as long as three years for base housing. And two-plus year waits are common for sailors in San Diego, Calif., soldiers at Fort Ord, Calif. and Fort Polk La., and airmen at Ramstein, Germany.

It would be impossible for DoD to provide enough government quarters for all 1.2 million military families. Two-thirds of these families live in the civilian community.

Yet even off-base housing is often difficult to find. More than half of those polled in the DoD family housing survey complained of difficulty in locating temporary civilian housing.

Sometimes in places like Fort Polk, La., and Kings Bay, where the Navy is building a new Trident submarine base in a sparsely populated area of southern Georgia, the local housing market can't accommodate the number of families to be housed.

In many other areas like the California coast and Washington, D.C., the cost of civilian housing prices many military families right out of the market, even with the variable housing allowance.

Bill McCay, head of the Navy's housing acquisitions program, said the greatest needs are in the metropolitan coastal cities, where housing is in demand and, therefore, expensive.

"We find ourselves forced to deal with many housing markets that are prohibitive (in price) for the population as a whole," he said. Service members, particularly those in the junior grades, just can't compete in these markets.

Unable to obtain on-base housing, military families often are forced to live in substandard housing, the only kind they can afford.

DoD is working to improve this situation by providing more and better on-base housing and a steady supply of affordable civilian housing.

According to Robert A. Stone, deputy assistant secretary of defense for installations, DoD has provided more new housing for military families in the past three years than in the previous nine.

DoD's fiscal 1987 family appropriation request includes \$3.4 billion to build or acquire 5,600 more houses and to maintain and upgrade some 406,000 existing houses, most more than 20 years old.

But tight purse strings and the need for a quick response to housing shortages are driving housing officials to consider alternatives to military construction. Lt. Col. Jack Crownover, director of defense housing, said it often takes five years from the time a housing shortage is identified until funding is obtained and construction is completed.

But housing officials are coming up with faster and less expensive alternatives. In Hahn, Germany, the Air Force responded by sending out a team to comb the local community for new sources of housing. The team literally walked the streets, knocked on doors and uncovered hundreds of previously unknown rentals.

At Fort Ord, Calif., where housing costs are exceptionally high and the waiting list for on-base housing included 2,500 families, officials leased 60 acres of government land to a private developer for a 25-year period for \$1. The developer in turn, agreed to develop, build, operate and maintain a community of 220 manufactured homes. Within nine months, the

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Newspaper conducts survey of readers

Approximately 1,000 people at Redstone Arsenal will be asked for their opinions of the *Redstone Rocket* in a reader survey of the newspaper.

Survey forms are being mailed to individuals whose names were selected randomly from civilian and military personnel files.

Individuals receiving the questionnaire are asked to return it by internal mail to the *Rocket* at AMSMI-IN. Participation in the survey is confidential and strictly voluntary.

Responses will be computer-tabulated by Information Management Directorate and survey results will be summarized in a forthcoming issue of the *Rocket*.



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Statue of Liberty stands on former Army fort

WASHINGTON — On July 4, Independence Day, the Statue of Liberty will reopen to the public after more than a year of renovations.

But "the lady in the harbor" isn't the only monument tourists will see when they visit Bedloe's Island; the statue's base is somewhat of a monument itself.

The 11-point, star-shaped structure that now surrounds the base of the statue once enclosed Fort Eleazer Wood, a fortress built by the Army's Corps of Engineers to fortify New York's coast.

The Army began construction of Fort Wood in 1808 in response to the threat of war with Great Britain. Col. Jonathan Williams, chief engineer of the Corps of Engineers, planned to protect New York City's inner harbor with strategically-placed forts on four islands—Manhattan, Governor's, Ellis and Bedloe's. These forts created a formidable line of defense that was never tested against an enemy vessel.

The latter fort was called "the works of Bedloe's Island" until Nov. 9, 1814, when New York's Gov. Daniel D. Tompkins named the fort after Capt. Eleazer Wood. A West Point graduate and a Corps of Engineers officer, Wood had served as assistant engineer in the construction of the nearby defenses at Governor's Island. He was promoted to the rank of brevet lieutenant colonel for "gallant conduct in the Battle of Niagara" in July 1814. In September, he was mortally wounded in the Battle of Lake Erie.

By 1820 Fort Wood was in a "ruined condition," according to an Army engineer's report. It was not until 1844 that the Corps of Engineers repaired and slightly modified the fort.

After its repair, the fort served briefly as a hospital and recruit depot until the Civil War broke out, when it was regarrisoned for harbor defense. However, new military technology had rendered such forts less vital.

Fort Wood became a possible site for the Statue of Liberty when Frederic Auguste Bartholdi, its French

sculptor, first visited the United States. When he entered New York Harbor, Bartholdi was impressed by the high visibility of Fort Wood and the surrounding islands, and decided that Fort Wood would be an ideal place for his yet-to-be-designed sculpture.

In 1877, the secretary of war allowed the civilian committee sponsoring the project to construct the statue on the fort's parade ground.

The committee tore down old barracks and began excavating in the area in 1883. Brig. Gen. Charles P. Stone, a retired officer of the ordnance corps and the infantry, was the engineer-in-chief of the pedestal construction. He created a base to prevent the statue and pedestal from blowing over. The foundation, 90-foot-square and 38-foot-deep, required nearly 34,000 cubic yards of concrete. The statue was dedicated on Oct. 28, 1886.

At that time, the statue was placed under the

jurisdiction of the Treasury Department's lighthouse board because the torch was considered an aid to harbor navigation. In 1901, the lighthouse board and the statue came under the control of the war department. When President Calvin Coolidge declared the statue a national monument in 1924, its boundaries included the outer perimeter of old Fort Wood.

In 1933 the monument was transferred to the Department of Interior to be maintained by the National Park Service, although the rest of the island was retained by the Army as a military post. Four years later the entire post was transferred to the park service.

In the 20 years following the transfer, the park service dismantled the remaining buildings on the post and developed the landscape of the entire island. Although it no longer serves the Army, Fort Eleazer Wood was an excellent example of early American military architecture. The old fort, built to defend America's newborn independence, stands today as the base of America's symbol of freedom, the Statue of Liberty. (Arnews)

Motorcycle course said 'barely alive'

Redstone's motorcycle safety course is "barely alive" for lack of participants, according to Mary McGough, education services officer, but can be "kept well" if more people will call and sign up for it.

"Response for the course has been very poor this month and we have had to cancel several classes," she states. "To date only 268 motorcyclists have taken advantage of this course — 138 military and 130 civilians."

She said one more Saturday class will be scheduled, on July 12, and then classes will be scheduled on a monthly or as-needed basis instead of weekly.

As of June 1, completion of an approved safety course is a requirement for obtaining a decal to operate a motorcycle on Redstone Arsenal.

Riders can sign up for a course by calling Shirley Dowdy or Reita Perry at 876-9761.



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New TMDE commander returns 'home' to Redstone

BY SKIP VAUGHN

A certain colonel probably had a bigger June than most people.

Col. Perry Butler attended his daughter's wedding, had a birthday, and became commander of the Test, Measurement and Diagnostic Equipment Support Group. Not many can say they had a month like that.

Butler's last assignment was with the 8th U.S. Army in Korea where he served as chief of the requirements division of command, control, communications, and computer systems staff. He assumed command of TMDE Support Group from Col. James Edge, whose next assignment will be as chief of staff of the U.S. Army Tank-Automotive Command in Warren, Mich.

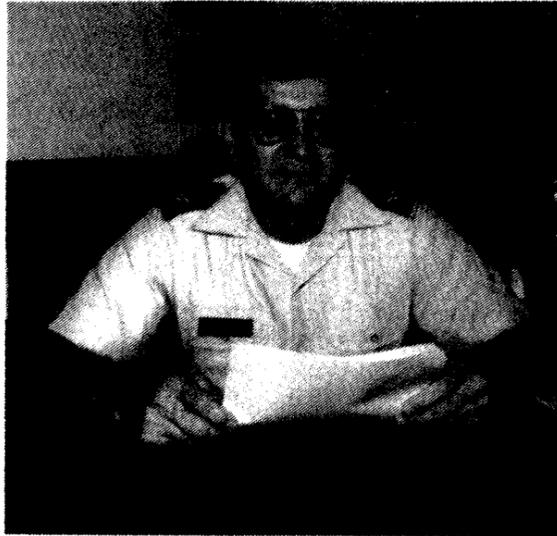
"I'm very excited about it for a number of reasons," said Butler, on assuming command. "I think it's probably one of the most unique organizations in the United States Army given that it's spread out all over the world and is one of a kind. Also, my wife and I are excited about being back at Redstone Arsenal."

He previously served two brief assignments here with the Ordnance Missile and Munitions Center and School. In 1967 he arrived as a student for a six-month materiel management officer course, then served as a branch chief for 10 months. He left in 1969, returned as a division chief in 1970 before he left again the following year.

"This is probably as close to 'home' as anyplace in the United States," said Butler, who has traveled a lot for the Army. "So we're delighted to be here."

Butler, 49, and his wife are both originally from New York. He was born in Olean, N.Y., south of Buffalo, and raised about 15 miles away in northwest Pennsylvania. His parents, Perry and Letha Butler, reside in North Port, Fla. Perry is a retired electronics technician while Letha is a retired accounting clerk who teaches church school.

In 1961, Butler received a bachelor's degree in electrical engineering from Philadelphia's Drexel Institute



BUTLER

of Technology. He received a master's in business administration from the University of Georgia in 1970. An ROTC graduate at Drexel, he entered the Army as a second lieutenant in May 1962. His first assignment, after initial schooling, was in Germany. He later went to Vietnam for a year, came to Redstone, left for graduate school at the University of Georgia, returned to Redstone, went to Command and General Staff College at Fort Leavenworth, and then spent 1973 in Cambodia.

Butler spent subsequent tours in Washington, D.C., where he served in the office of the deputy chief of staff for logistics; at Fort Benning, Ga., where he commanded 67th Maintenance Battalion; at Fort Lee, Va., where he was assigned with the Army Logistics Center and then with the Computer Systems Command; at Newport, R.I., where he attended the Navy War College; and in Korea for the past two years.

"With a couple of minor exceptions, I've always enjoyed my assignments," said Butler. His two specialties are missile and materiel management, and data processing. He probably has had more maintenance oriented assignments, he said.

His wife Margaret (who goes by "Mardie") is from Allegany, N.Y. They have three daughters and a son. Susan Gelineau, 26, of Augusta, Ga., has two children of her own; Jennifer Holterman, 22, was married June 14 and will enter active duty as a second lieutenant in the Army Nurse Corps in September; John, 20, will be entering his junior year at Providence (R.I.) College; and Amy, 16, resides with her parents at Redstone.

As hobbies, Butler has his own computer and likes to do woodworking.

"I used to do such things as maintain my own cars and others but they've gotten too complicated to do that," he said.

"I would like to build on the success Col. Edge and everybody in this organization has achieved over the last two or three years, and continue to improve on the support we provide to units in the field," Butler said. "As far as personal goals are concerned, I guess it's pretty hard to separate those from goals you have for the organization. I think the important thing commanders have to do in the Army today is to provide a leadership environment that encourages young people to learn and grow. And I think that applies not only to our soldiers wearing uniforms but to our civilian workforce as well."

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Law changes retirement pay for part-time workers

WASHINGTON — Retirement annuities for part-time federal employees might be reduced under a new computation system designed to eliminate a loophole in the Civil Service Retirement System that affords unproportionate benefits to some workers.

The new formula, which will be applied to part-time service performed after April 6, will prevent a windfall benefit previously allowed to permanent, part-time permanent employees who converted to a full-time status, usually for the last three years before retirement, said Cecil Carlson, a civilian retirement officer with the Army's Civilian Personnel Center in Alexandria, Va. The Army currently employs some 3,800 permanent, part-time workers. Part-time employees work between 16 and 32 hours a week.

Before President Reagan signed Public Law 99-272, retirement annuities were calculated based on the

average annual basic pay received over three consecutive years of federal service. In most cases, the last three years of service yields the highest average pay, he explained.

By converting to a full-time status, employees who worked part-time most of their career could increase their average salary to produce a "high three" average pay comparable to that of employees who had worked full time their entire career. This means that predominately part-time employees would receive the same retirement benefit as full-time employees, Carlson said.

Under the new law, the "high three" average pay for part-time workers will be computed as if the employee had been working a full-time schedule. The

annuity, computed on the basis of the full-time average pay, would then be prorated. The annuity is multiplied by a fraction that expresses the ratio between the actual service and a full-time tour of duty for the employee's career.

For example, the annuity of an employee with 30 years of service under the new law, performed on a three-quarter time basis, will be computed based on 30 years of service and a full-time average pay, but the annuity will be multiplied by 75 percent, resulting in a 25-percent reduction.

The new law does not change the full crediting of part-time service for determining eligibility for an annuity, Carlton said. An employee will still be eligible to retire at age 55 with 30 years of service, even if that service is part time. (Arnews)

Military retirement system to change for future entrants

BY TOM JOYCE

American Forces Information Service

At some point in every military member's life, an important decision must be made. That decision is whether to serve their country in uniform as a career or separate, taking the knowledge and skills they learned into the private or public sectors.

As they go through their personal checklist trying to make that important decision, the box marked "retirement benefits" undoubtedly weighs heavily.

Now, despite the vigorous efforts of the Department of Defense to oppose reform of the current military retirement system, committees in the Senate and House of Representatives have both voted out new retirement bills.

Assistant Secretary of Defense for Force Management and Personnel Chapman B. Cox stressed, "While these bills will not, repeat not, affect the existing system for current members of the armed forces

and retirees, it appears that some changes will be required for future entrants."

Those coming on active duty prior to Sept. 8, 1980, and who complete 20 years of service can retire with 50 percent of their basic pay; those who complete 30 years service can retire with 75 percent of their basic pay. The reduced retirement benefit for those coming on active duty after Sept. 8, 1980, which is an average based on the member's highest three-year rate of pay, decreased the average value of their retirement pay by 13 percent.

The bills passed by the House and the Senate are not identical. Representatives from both houses of Congress will now meet in a conference committee to work out their differences and agree on a retirement package. Speaking about the bills passed in May, Cox said, "Although we are not in favor of either of the bills, the Senate version is considered to be potentially less damaging to management of our future force."

Both bills would reduce the 20-year retirement benefit, but only for those coming on active duty after the final bill is made into law. Under the Senate bill, individuals who complete 20 years of service could retire with 44 percent of their basic pay. The House bill reduces the 20-year retirement benefit to 40 percent. The Senate bill would also reduce the cost of living adjustment.

In arguing against changes to the retirement system, the Department of Defense stressed to Congress that the military retirement system is designed not only to operate as an element of the military compensation structure but also as an element of the personnel management system. Changes to the system, said the Department of Defense, would impact on recruiting and retention.

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MICOM logistic assistance representatives meet

About 75 Army civilians who provide assistance to missile units in the field came to Huntsville for a MICOM conference June 24-26.

These logistic assistance representatives are located mainly in the continental U.S. with some stationed in Germany and Korea. A similar meeting was held April 1-3 in Germany for representatives assigned in Europe. A total of 138 logistic assistant representatives or LAR's are stationed with missile units throughout the world.

"We have these people with missile units in the field around the world, wherever there are U.S. forces, as assistance to the users and to provide feedback from the users to this command. It's a two-way street," said Leroy Gregg, chief of the MICOM logistic assistance program. That program is part of the Missile Systems Readiness Directorate.

The objectives of the three-day meeting here included updating the representatives in policies, administrative procedures, and a technical orientation on future systems. "It was very successful, we accomplished all of our objectives," Gregg said.

Besides speakers, the conference included three short work sessions. There were speakers from research and development, civilian personnel office, finance and accounting, transportation, and the missile logistics center. Ron Treusdell, chief of the Army Materiel Command logistic assistance program, also spoke at the meeting. The purpose of AMC's logistic assistance program "is to provide assistance to the users of AMC-developed and supported equipment in the field, and to provide a direct communication link between those units and the various AMC commands," Gregg said. The Missile Command's 138 representatives are concerned with that equipment from MICOM and are often referred to as "the MICOM eyes and ears."

"These people have two principle goals. One is to achieve and sustain unit readiness at or above the (Department of Army) goal. DA has a 90 percent goal for missile systems readiness," Gregg said. Through a team effort between "our people here and our people

in the field," he added, MICOM achieved this goal for all missile systems in February 1986. That was the first time ever, according to Gregg.

"And the second goal is to make the unit personnel completely self-sufficient, independent of outside assistance," he added. "In other words, our guys (the logistic assistance reps) are supposed to work themselves out of a job." With the introduction of

new equipment and customary reassignment of soldiers, that hasn't happened yet.

Before this year, the last conference for the LAR's was held two years ago. "We hope to have at least one next year — in Europe or here," Gregg said. Col. Freddie Smith is the director of Missile Systems Readiness Directorate, and Fred Cole is deputy director.

Equal opportunity program evaluated

The equal opportunity program for soldiers at MICOM has been given a positive rating.

SFC Oliver Holmes, equal opportunity advisor at Army Materiel Command, visited the Missile Command to evaluate its equal opportunity program June 24-27. "I find the equal opportunity climate at MICOM to be very positive," he said.

"The soldiers' attitude shows favorably towards the chain of command and this is based on personal interviews and random surveys administered," Holmes added. This was an evaluation of the military side of the equal opportunity program— to see how soldiers feel about the program here.

The purpose of the study was "to determine the overall effectiveness of the installation/activity equal opportunity program and to assist the commander and equal opportunity advisors in the operations of the EO program," according to Holmes.

SFC Jimmy Evans became the military staff member of this command's equal employment opportunity office in May 1985. "I felt that the climate was positive all the time, but in going around with SFC Holmes throughout the week, it reassured me that we do have a positive climate out there," said Evans, MICOM equal opportunity advisor.

The EO program advises commanders on equal opportunity issues. This includes determining whether there is a communication problem, conducting training and working on surveys. "We gather narrative and

statistical data to detect possible problem areas such as (in) promotions, awards, Article 15s, court-martials, discharges, and bars to reenlistment," Evans said.

"To ensure equal opportunity for all soldiers" is the mission of the program, he said.

Chaparral missiles fired

FORT BLISS, Texas — Throughout the year soldiers in 4th Battalion, 200th ADA (Air Defense Artillery) out of Portales, N.M., trained with manuals and relied on the experience of their instructors in order to become proficient Chaparral crewmen.

Recently while on annual training at Fort Bliss' McGregor Range, they spent nine days in a hands-on environment with the Chaparral missile system. The unit got the opportunity to fire three Chaparral missiles.

The first missed the target because of a failure in its guidance system; the second scored a direct hit; and the third malfunctioned (the gunner was not receiving missile tone and decided to hold off on the trigger). "Nonetheless, the entire firing event was a success for 4th Battalion, being their first firing ever of the Chaparral missile," stated a release from the National Guard 136th public affairs detachment in Santa Fe, N.M.

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Proposed aircraft would be hypersonic transport

BY TOM JOYCE

American Forces Information Service

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Now, the Department of Defense and the National Aeronautics and Space Administration are working together to build the national aerospace plane, a revolutionary aircraft so advanced that personnel or cargo could be routinely transported anywhere on the earth in less than two hours.

In theory, the aerospace plane would fly like an airplane at speeds between four and 8,000 miles per hour at altitudes between 100 and 150,000 feet. The same aircraft would also be used as a space launch vehicle capable of accelerating directly into low-earth orbit without the use of rocket boosters.

The idea of an aerospace plane has been studied with the Department of Defense and NASA for a number of years, and there are still many hurdles to overcome before it becomes reality.

Dr. Robert C. Duncan, director of the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency, in a recent statement to Congress, said that a consensus has been formed that an aerospace plane might be possible. He

said, "Greater knowledge of supersonic combustion phenomena, developments in high strength, lightweight materials and the availability of supercomputers for engine/airframe design and integration are further examples of recent technological advances that support this consensus."

The technology development phase, or Phase II of the research project now under way, will look at the fine-tuning of key technologies and the development of propulsion modules and airframe designs needed to build an experimental flight research vehicle.

Currently, wind tunnels in the United States are capable of testing full-size engines only up to Mach 8—eight times the speed of sound. Engines capable of achieving speeds of Mach 8 will be built and tested. During Phase III of the project, an experimental aircraft (the X-30) will be built and tested.

"The X-vehicle will be designed to explore propulsion performance above Mach 8, while structures and materials needed to fabricate such a vehicle will be developed and tested," Duncan told the subcommittee. "All program participants and others familiar with the program understand and agree that there is a high degree of risk," he added.

In addition to Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency and NASA, the Strategic Defense Initiative Organization, Air Force and Navy are involved in the project. The vehicle is of interest, according to the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency, because

of its capabilities as a global flight vehicle or a long-range air defense interceptor.

It could also be important because of the potential for significantly reducing the costs of getting a payload into orbit. Currently it costs \$2,000 a pound to get a payload into orbit using the space shuttle. It is

estimated the aerospace plane could get a payload into space for less than \$200 a pound. NASA is also pursuing a long-range hypersonic transport for carrying passengers virtually anywhere on the globe in about two hours.

According to Duncan, "the results of the NASP (national aerospace plane) program will provide the civil industry, the Department of Defense and NASA with an effective aerospace plane configuration based on technology sufficiently mature for development of operational systems."

The Air Force has been assigned overall Department of Defense responsibility for the hypersonic vehicle research program and for Phase III. The Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency will manage Phase

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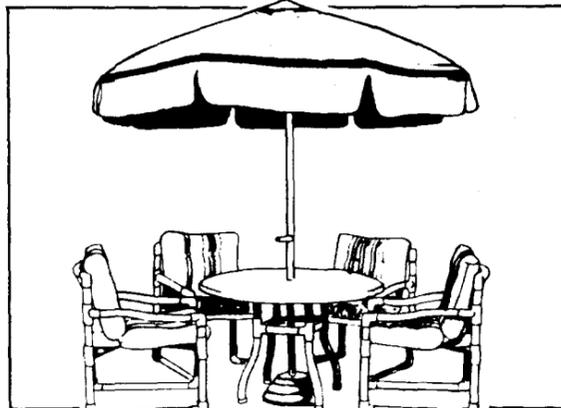
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Top civilian finance official leaves with good memories

BY SKIP VAUGHN

When Frank Wylie first came to Redstone as a cost accountant, he had to start a book so he could keep track of all those acronyms the Army tends to use.

And it took him a while to figure out how to relate the accounting techniques he learned in school to the government's way of doing things.

Now 27 years later, Wylie is retiring from his position as deputy finance and accounting officer, the top civilian at F&A division. July 3 is to be his last day here.

"I kind of have some mixed emotions about it," says Wylie, who retires with more than 31 years of government service, counting military time and sick leave. "After being in finance and accounting all of these years, I feel like I'm part of a family and it's kind of like leaving a family relationship. But when I look at it from another perspective, there are some things I'd like to do where I'm not tied down to a rigid schedule."

He plans to do some financial consultant work part-time. Also, for the past several years Wylie has been involved in remodeling and selling residences. He plans to continue that to some extent. "That's been more or less a hobby of mine, just to get from behind a desk for a while—to take out my frustrations or whatever with a hammer and a saw," he says.

Wylie, 62, leaves with good memories. "I have no regrets," he says.

"Federal service has been very good to me."

The Sheffield, Ala., native was raised in the Muscle Shoals area. He attended the University of North Alabama (what was then called Florence State Teachers College). After that, he became general manager of a building supply company in Sheffield, general manager of a car dealership in Florence, and then went to work for Reynolds Metals Company. He was a cost accountant for Reynolds which did some work, under contract, on the hull of the Jupiter-C rocket. After that rocket boosted the free world's first satellite into orbit in 1958, Wylie made a decision.

"We completed the contract and rather than transfer to Richmond, Va., the home office of Reynolds Metals Company, I came to work at Redstone Arsenal," he says. He came here as a GS-9 cost accountant in 1959. In 1966 he received a bachelor's degree in business administration from Athens College.

"When I first came to work here, most of the accounting methods were manual—on ledger sheets.

Some of the accounting was done on the punch card system, keypunch cards that were run through a sorter and (with) reports printed out," Wylie recalls. Since



WYLIE

then, most of the outdated systems have been eliminated, he says.

There have been a lot of changes through the years. "There've been problems with manpower, we've had a lot of accounting changes, and there have been a lot of innovations in the application of computer techniques

to a point where we are fully automated in most areas—with computer terminal inputs and outputs," Wylie says. "I consider this a great accomplishment.

"And this finance and accounting office has a reputation as one of the best finance and accounting

offices in the Army. With the professionalism that exists in the finance and accounting office, I would expect this reputation to remain," he says.

Wylie advanced through most of the accounting organization to become deputy finance and accounting officer, a GM-14, in 1978. Before that he was chief of the accounting and control branch of F&A.

He and his wife Louise have two sons and five grandchildren. David, 34, is an attorney in Greenville,

S.C.; and Douglas, 31, is an accountant in Birmingham. Wylie enjoys golfing, bowling and gardening.

"I've made a lot of friends and I've enjoyed the working relationships with everyone I've come in contact with," he says.

Council eyes equal opportunity policy

BY EVELYN D. HARRIS

American Forces Information Service

"You'll probably be reading much more about equal opportunity in the military from now on," said Capt. J.F. Gamboa, USN, executive director of the new Equal Opportunity Council. "It won't have the low profile it's had in the recent past."

The council was established in April 1986 by Deputy Secretary of Defense William H. Taft IV. The council members are the assistant secretary of defense for force management and personnel, chairman; the assistant secretary of defense for reserve affairs; the assistant secretaries of the Army and the Navy for manpower and reserve affairs; and the assistant secretary of Air Force for manpower, reserve affairs and installations.

Chapman B. Cox, DoD's manpower chief, who serves as chairman of the new council, asserted that

the council is not mere "window dressing." In fact, he said the new council will spend more time improving service equal opportunity programs and less time going around the country to "show the flag" and say "look how well we've done."

Cox said the council's mission is "to ensure that our equal opportunity policies are fair and effective, and that they are institutionalized and vigorously enforced by our leaders at all levels of the Department of Defense. Institutional barriers that deprive us of the maximum use of talent available to the Total Force cannot be tolerated."

In a related action, Cox moved the directors of the military and civilian equal opportunity programs into his civilian and military manpower shops, respectively. He said that by doing this, the appropriate line managers were in a position to influence policy on a daily basis.

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Century has received many letters concerning the use of a shoulder harness restraining device on its strollers. Some of these consumers indicated that children's necks may get entangled on the shoulder harness. This entanglement may occur when the activities of the child cannot be seen by the person pushing the stroller and could result in injury. The affected strollers are the Century "Way-to-Go" stroller,

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Century will provide a free replacement waist strap which can be installed on both the Century and Bilt-Rite strollers needing repair. Consumers who own affected models should call Century's Customers Service Department for the free replacement strap on 1-800-222-9825 or write to Century Products, 1366 Commerce Drive, Stow, Ohio 44224. For more information call the Consumer Product Safety Commission's toll-free hotline 800-638-CPSC. A teletypewriter number for the hearing impaired is 800-638-8720.

Consumers warned about teddy bear

A warning has been issued to consumers about a 12-inch teddy bear, model LSB, which has small parts that could be a choking hazard and sharp wires that could cause cuts or puncture wounds.

The warning was issued by Country Cozy's Inc. of Paramount, Calif., and the Consumer Product Safety Commission, according to a consumer safety release out of Washington, D.C. The information was provided by the post exchange.

Attached to the left paw of each teddy bear are three wires with small balls on the ends representing balloons on strings. When the CPSC subjected the teddy bears to use and abuse testing, these balls detached, exposing sharp points on the ends of the wires.

While Country Cozy's intended these bears as decorative giftwear, the bears are attractive to small children and are likely to be given to them. Consumers who bought these teddy bears for children should im-

mediately remove and discard the balls and wires to eliminate the choking, puncture and laceration hazards. Retailers should do the same to any teddy bears they have in stock.

The model LSB teddy bear in question is wearing a dress trimmed with white lace. Attached to the front of the dress is a hexagonal-shaped ceramic tile about 1 3/4 inches in diameter with the message "Crazy 'bout you" and five hearts in various colors on it. About 3,000 of these teddy bears were distributed nationwide between January 1985 and January 1986. Neither the CPSC nor Country Cozy's Inc. know of any injuries involving these teddy bears, according to the consumer safety release.

For more information, call Greg Buscher of Country Cozy's Inc. 213-6303415 or CPSC's toll free hotline 800-638-CPSC. A teletypewriter number for the hearing impaired is 800-638-8270.

Bristol-Meyers Company recalling capsules

WASHINGTON — Extra Strength Excedrin Capsules have been removed from all commissaries as a result of recent deaths in the state of Washington that have been linked to the product.

In addition to Excedrin, other capsule products being removed from commissary shelves are Comtrex Multi Symptom Allergy Sinus Relief Capsules, Comtrex Cold Preparation, Bufferin Extra Strength, and Datri Analgesic Extra Strength Capsules.

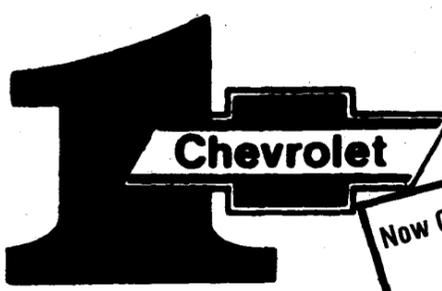
Comtrex Multi Symptom Cold Capsules is the only Bristol-Meyers product sold by the Army and Air Force Exchange Service that is affected by the recall, said Ken Boniface, public affairs officer for AAFES.

The commissaries and Army and Air Force Exchange Service stores are cooperating with Bristol-Meyers Company, which manufactures the capsules, in recalling all of its capsule products.

Customers should not use any of these capsule products, said Thomas Milks, Commissary Management

Specialist for the Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff for Logistics at the Pentagon. They can either destroy the capsules or return them to the commissary where purchased for full credit. Customers can also return the capsules to local AAFES stores for a full refund. (Arnews)






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Post golf tournaments set this month

The Redstone golf course is signing up golfers for separate tournaments scheduled for July.

A mens 36 hole member-member golf tournament will be held July 4-5. It is open to all male active duty and retired military personnel. Interested golfers need not be members of the golf course to enter the tournament; sign-up is under way at the pro shop.

Also, the golf course here will once again offer four arsenal golfers the opportunity to compete in an official PGA national pro-am golf championship. The

climb to the National Oldsmobile Scramble Golf Pro-Am Championship starts on July 26 with a local qualifying tournament. A team consists of four golfers—

either all male, all female or mixed. The winning team here qualifies for a sectional tournament where the top squad qualifies for the national tournament. Entry fee for the local tournament is \$20 per team member.

For more information, call the golf course pro shop at 837-7950.

Gym renovations include dressing room, shower

The post gym should be even better for soldiers and other users after renovations were completed in its dressing room and shower facilities.

This project started in August 1985 and was finished June 2. Work included a new men's dressing room, shower and sauna. The air-conditioned dressing room is complete "with new lockers and everything," said Irv Lyles, sports director.

The renovations improved the gym "tremendously," he said, "because the last shower and steam and sauna was too small, it only held four

or five people at a time. This one holds eight to 12 people, both the sauna and the steam, and that's a big improvement.

"We've had very favorable comments from people who've been using it," he said. Besides the enlarged shower-steam-sauna area, users of the dressing room can enjoy newly added air-conditioning. "We had a fan in there before," said Lyles.

Cost for the project was approximately \$96,000, according to the sports director.

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Credit customers advised to check their contracts

WASHINGTON — The Army Judge Advocate General's office is advising credit customers to check contracts carefully before signing them to avoid paying interest rates that are higher than state ceilings or advertised rates.

"Soldiers who have entered into credit contracts should check the annual percentage rate (APR) computations and consult their legal assistance officers if the APR exceeds the advertised rate or applicable state ceiling," said Capt. Ashby Dyke of the Army Legal Assistance Office at the Pentagon.

"Title 15, Section 1640 of the U.S. Code allows individuals or groups of individuals to collect civil damages from creditors who fail to comply with the law, and legal assistance officers should assist soldiers in filing a report with the state attorney general's consumer affairs office as well as advise the soldier,"

Dyke said. The Army cannot file for damages on behalf of the soldier, he added.

Some South Carolina soldiers recently learned the importance of reading a contract carefully before signing it. The state's Department of Consumer Affairs discovered last fall that since July 1, 1982, some Devon Home Center stores in South Carolina had been charging finance rates that exceeded rates advertised in some military papers and the state's 18 percent ceiling, Dyke said. The department recently ordered Devon stores in that state to refund interest charged in excess of 18 percent, he said. Devon has already begun to refund money to the appropriate customers, and many of the refunds are being sent out automatically, Dyke added.

Because the customers signed credit agreements which stated the actual rates they paid, Devon is re-

quired to repay only the interest charged in excess of the state ceiling, and not that charged in excess of advertised rates, according to Roy Harms of the South Carolina Department of Consumer Affairs. However, Devon was ordered to correct its advertising to reflect the rates it charges, and they have done so, he said.

Soldiers and civilians who entered credit agreements at Devon stores in South Carolina and find that their APR is above the 18 percent ceiling should write to the store where the sale was made to request a refund, said

Dyke. If Devon cannot resolve the problem to the customers' satisfaction, customers should contact their legal assistance officers and the South Carolina Department of Consumer Affairs at 803-758-2040, Dyke added. (Arnews)

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homes were ready for occupancy — at rents averaging some \$200 below comparable housing in the community.

Already Fort Ord is planning another project in which developers will propose and bid on a mixed group of single-family homes, townhouses and apartments to be built on a 25-acre tract next to the existing manufactured home community.

In Oakland, Calif., another area of sky-high housing costs, the Navy joined forces with the Oakland Urban Housing Institute to obtain a low-cost loan and refurbish Oakland's inner city public housing. This housing is offered to junior Navy families for the cost of their basic allowance for quarters and variable housing allowance, which is used to repay the loan.

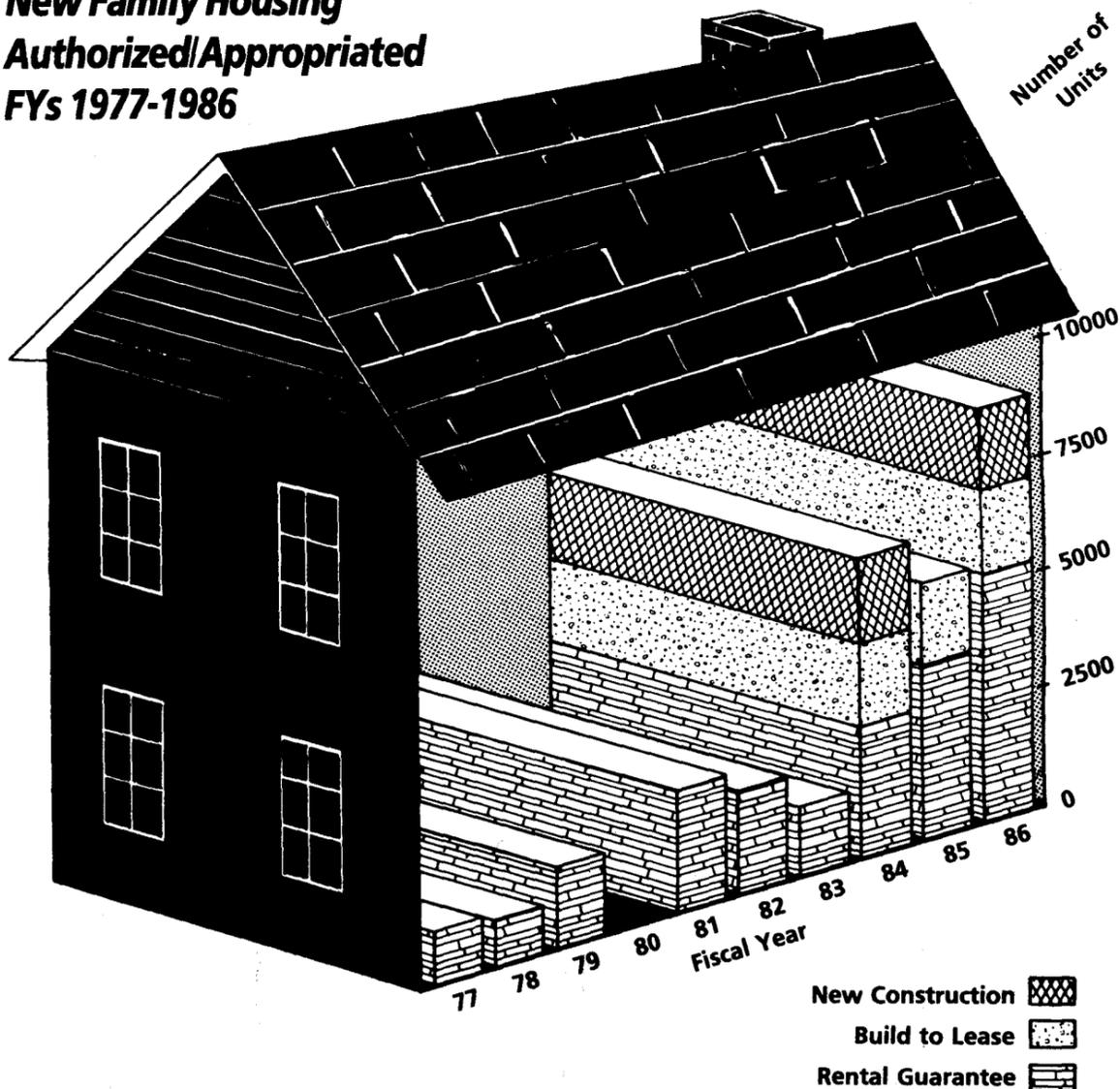
In Kings Bay, the Navy is working with local developers to spur an extensive community development effort so when the new Trident submarine base there is fully operational, housing for some 3,000 Navy families will be available.

Defense officials agree that the availability and quality of family housing directly affects morale and ultimately, readiness. In a 1984 DoD survey of living conditions overseas, family housing was most often cited as the area needing improvement. More than half of the respondents said that living conditions affected their job performance, and a third said those conditions affected their career intentions.

"Housing has a tremendous effect on families," according to Lt. Col. William Gooding, head of housing management for the Marine Corps.

"Moving has to be one of the most traumatic things in the world. It means a new job, new environment and new circumstances. If you have family housing available, whether on or off base, it makes the move a lot smoother. You've reduced a lot of the anxiety of the move for the whole family."

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Defense center tries to uncover potential spies

BY DONNA BOLINGER
American Forces Information Service

What's the profile of a spy?

That's exactly what the staff of the newly created Defense Personnel Security Research and Education Center is going to try to find out.

The center will evaluate the most critical ingredient of U.S. national security — people — by studying ways to predict who has the potential to become a security risk.

"You can have all the locks and fences and safes and anti-intrusion devices imaginable," said Bill Fedor, DoD deputy director of counterintelligence and investigative programs. "But for the person who has keys to those locks or combinations to those safes or authorized access to classified information, and who for one reason or another chooses to compromise our nation's secrets, all those devices are to no avail.

"People," Fedor said, "are the key to our national security effort."

Decisions about who can be entrusted with U.S. military secrets and who is least likely to compromise sensitive material are based on the same screening process that's been in use since World War II — the background investigation.

Fedor said the process has remained virtually unchanged during the past 40 years, except for the addition of the personal interview for those applying for highest level clearances. Made within the last five years, this addition provides a wealth of information for adjudicators, who ultimately decide if a security clearance will be granted or denied, he said.

The background investigation, Fedor explained, isn't designed to catch spies. Its purpose is to uncover personal characteristics and behavioral traits that make a person vulnerable to hostile intelligence.

Traditionally, these characteristics have included a criminal history, drug and alcohol abuse and financial hardship, to name a few.

"But some people who have breached national security have never been arrested and have no history of drug or alcohol abuse," Fedor said. "On the other

hand, they might have bragged to their friends about the importance of their jobs in the Defense Department or talked about sensitive projects they might work on or be a part of. Or they may have any of a number of characteristics that bring their trust worthiness into question.

"How do you identify these people? There may be underlying psychological factors driving them that we just haven't recognized."

This is what the seven member staff of the Defense Personnel Security Research and Education Center will study.

The staff will look at ways of improving the background investigation process, particularly for jobs requiring high risk access, and of developing a standardized prescreening program for new recruits.

An analysis of known espionage agents' personal histories will also be made to determine characteristics or patterns that might have led to their early detection.

Thousands of miles away from the center, the newly designated Defense Polygraph Institute at Fort McClellan, Ala., has been enlarged to handle twice as many students as in the past. Its curriculum has been broadened to focus on counter-intelligence as well as criminal investigation.

This year, 108 examiners from DoD and other federal agencies will graduate from the 14-week course, during which they receive instruction in law, psychology, physiology and the technology of the latest polygraph equipment. In 1985, the school had 44 graduates.

The larger number of qualified examiners will be needed as DoD increases its use of polygraph tests for military and civilian employees in highly sensitive positions. This year, as many as 3,500 may be tested.

Fedor said controversy about polygraph tests, which measure heartbeat, sweat gland activity and breathing patterns to help determine if a person is responding truthfully to questions posed by the examiner, has led personnel security investigators to avoid questions the background investigation normally attempts to answer.

"With the polygraph, we're not looking for behavioral characteristics, the so-called lifestyle questions," Fedor said. Questions refer only to whether the employee or an acquaintance has been approached by, or cooperated with, hostile intelligence sources or has passed classified information to unauthorized individuals.

"The tests are conducted for one reason and for one reason only to detect and deter espionage," Fedor said.

Fedor said the Defense Personnel Security Research and Education Center and the Defense Polygraphic Institute are expected to make DoD considerably more effective in combatting espionage.

But he's still convinced the best way to stop espionage "is to limit the number of security clearances granted, and to limit the amount of classified information you give people in the first place."

More MREs cleared

WASHINGTON — As of June 17, Meals, Ready-to-Eat (MREs) manufactured in 1983, 1984 and 1986 have been cleared for consumption, according to Lt. Col. Keith Huff of the Office, Deputy Chief of Staff for Logistics at the Pentagon.

Use of the MRE, the Army's primary field-feeding ration since it replaced the C-Ration in 1982, was suspended in May after packaging of some MRE items was discovered to be substandard.

Inspection of MREs manufactured in 1983, 1984 and 1986 has been completed by the U.S. Army Veterinary Service. Inspection of the 1985 rations will be complete in about four months, Huff said. (Arnews)



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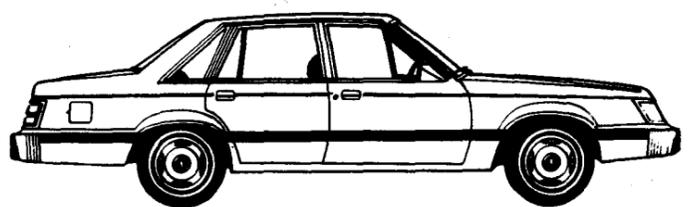
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New ID cards coming for reservists' family members

WASHINGTON — Family members of National Guard and Reserve soldiers will soon need to show a photo ID to enter military commissaries.

The policy change, scheduled to take effect this fall, was made to prevent abuse of commissary privileges, according to Lt. Col. Douglas J. Lamude, chief of the Military Entitlements Branch of the Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff for Personnel (ODCSPER).

The reserve family member ID card (DA Form 5431) created by ODCSPER last year will speed up and simplify the identification process at exchanges, commissaries and other facilities, although some other picture IDs might be accepted by individual commissaries, said Lamude.

"Reserve component family members will still have to present a copy of the sponsor's orders with photo identification, whether it is a military ID, a driver's license, or another form of identification accepted by the commissary," Lamude said.

The family member ID card won't entitle family members to any new benefits, but it does have advantages over other forms of identification, said Lamude. For example, some states do not issue drivers' licenses with photos, and children of reservists who are old enough to receive a military ID (10 years of age), are often too young to be eligible for a driver's license. Also, the family member ID will probably be the same

one that would be used upon mobilization, Lamude said.

The ID is a pink laminated card with a photograph of the bearer to provide positive identification, Lamude said. It looks much like the ID currently used by Guard and Reserve soldiers and the one used by family members of Navy and Air Force reserve components, he added.

Soldiers may apply for the Reserve Component Family Member ID Card by completing DD Form 1172 and submitting it to their unit commanders. (Arnews)

System

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military compensation system is more important to career personnel.

The retirement system is not only a powerful incentive for servicemen and women to stay in the military, but it also works as an exit mechanism to shape and sustain the forces necessary to fulfill the national defense mission, the Department of Defense told Congress.

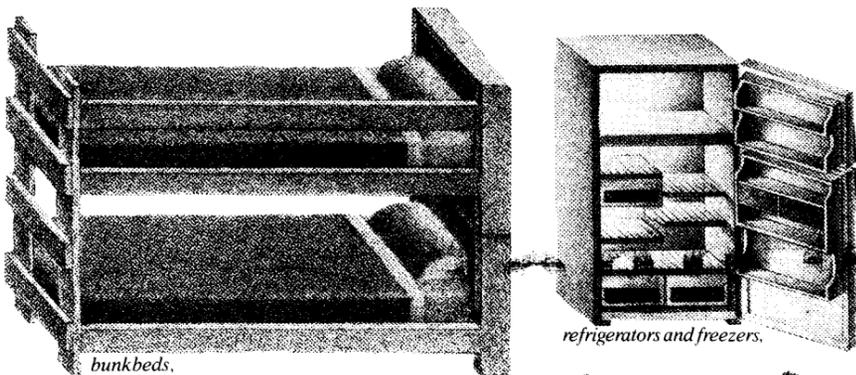
"Through retirement and separation, the age/skill/experience mix of the active force is kept in proper balance with military requirements," DoD told Congress. "This reflects the necessity of maintaining a

youthful and vigorous force capable of sustained combat, of providing a means of enhancing the flow of experience and talent through the force, and of offering a means to remove individuals selectively from the force consistent with the force profile requirements."

Cox also said, "The fact that we now expect changes to our retirement system for future entrants should not be taken as any indication that we have withdrawn from our firm commitment to work to provide our military members the best compensation and quality of life possible."

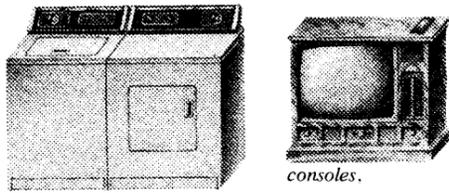


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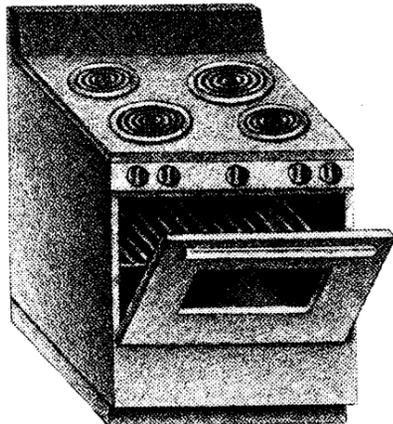
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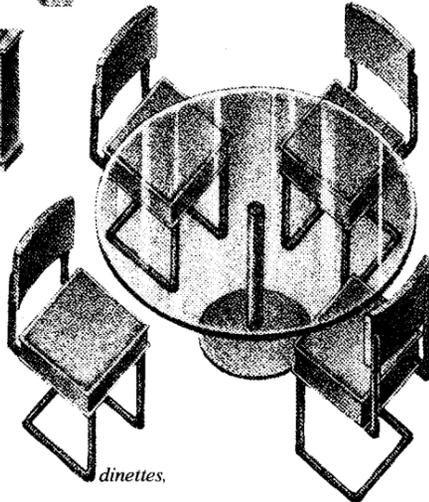


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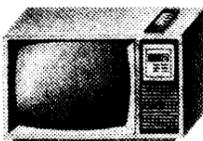
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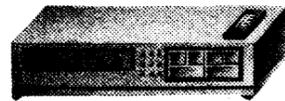
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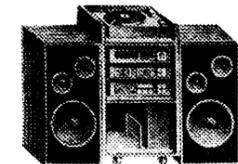
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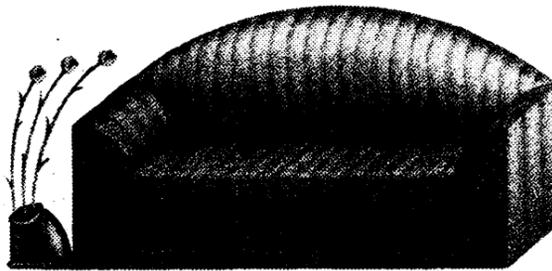
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Announcements

Mothers/daughters

A seminar for mothers and their daughters will be held from 10-11 a.m. July 16 at the GYN clinic at Fox Army Community Hospital. Attendance is being limited to 10 mothers and their daughters. Those interested in having an evening seminar should also call Deborah Daniel 876-4158/4159.

Chapel events

The Protestant Women of the Chapel sponsors "Praise Aerobics" every Thursday at 8:30 a.m. at Bicentennial Chapel, and a Bible Study Group every Monday at 9:30 a.m. at Bicentennial Chapel. All women are invited. A Christian Officers' Fellowship is held each Thursday at 7:30 p.m. For more information on meeting locations, call Chaplain William Meyer 876-5707. The Widows Or Widowers (WOW) group meets at 7 p.m. July 8 at Bicentennial Chapel. All widows and widowers are invited for social activities and to study singles of the Bible.

Childbirth classes

Redstone Arsenal Prepared Childbirth Classes offer information about breathing and relaxation techniques, labor and delivery, newborn babies and parenthood. For more information, call Maj. Nancy Trent of Fox Army Community Hospital 876-5863.

Management course

A "Personal Financial Readiness/Soldier Money Management Course" is scheduled for July 10-29. The course will be taught in six sessions from 3-4 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays at the second floor conference room of Army Community Service, building 3491. Topics include the military pay system, financial institutions and services, proper maintenance of checking accounts, budget development, use and abuse of credit, and consumer rights and obligations. Soldiers, family members and retirees who wish to attend may register by calling Dan Kelly of ACS at 876-2859.

Liberty bell dedication

The public is invited to start the 4th of July weekend by celebrating the dedication of the lifesize replica of the Liberty Bell which has been given by Constitution Hall Park by AmSouth Bank. The ceremony begins at noon July 3. The Huntsville Concert Band will play patriotic music, Boy Scout Troop 361 will present the colors, American flags will be given to the children and lemonade and cookies will be served. The ceremony will take place on the grounds of Constitution Hall Park at the corner of Gates Avenue and Franklin Street in Huntsville.

Overeaters anonymous

Overeaters Anonymous groups meet Thursdays from 11:15 a.m. to noon at Post Chapel and Fridays at 7 p.m. at Fox Army Community Hospital. For more information call 532-7013.

Top graduates

Those graduating OMMCS courses during the week June 16-20 with the highest academic standing were Pvt. Donte Brockett and Pvt. Scott Crendell, Tow/Dragon repairer; Sp4 Mark Breitbach and Pvt. James Morgan, ammunition stock control and accounting specialist; Pvt. Christophe Hanlon and PFC Thomas J. Nemeth, ammunition specialist; Sp4 Jeffrey Haugsness and Pvt. Robert Schmidt, Vulcan repairer; PFC Jason Selitsch and SSgt. Elmer Reinold, Hawk launcher and mechanical system repairer.

MICOM Family Picnic

The annual MICOM Family Picnic is set for Saturday, July 19 (rain date July 20) at the civilian recreation area. There will be a gate prize of a videocassette recorder. Activities are planned for children, teen-agers, and adults in the spirit of the family "fun for all" theme.

Red Cross

An emergency appeal for blood has been issued by the American Red Cross. The Red Cross needs more blood in order to safely serve the needs of patients during the upcoming three-day holiday period, according to Wayne Morgan of the Red Cross in Huntsville. The Red Cross is located at 701 Andrew Jackson Way. Donors may call 536-0084 for information.

Dental clinic

Effective July 14, the main dental clinic at building 3494 will change its examination hours to the following: 7:30-9 a.m., active duty military; 9-10 a.m., family members/retirees; and 12:30-2 p.m., active duty military. "After duty hours, emergencies report to Fox Army Community Hospital Emergency Room bldg. 4100 or call 876-8287," stated a DENTAC release. Due to shortage of dental officers this summer, family members/retirees will be appointed by use of a central appointment system. All available appointments for cleanings, fillings, and extractions (only) will be booked each Tuesday from 8-10 a.m., by calling 876-5200.

Singles to meet

The Huntsville Singletarians club will gather at 7 p.m. on July 4 at The Mall on North Parkway to watch the movie at the Alabama Picture Show. Single women and men are invited. For information call Joyce at 539-1413 or Doak at 882-6563.

Military comptrollers

Redstone/Huntsville Chapter of the American Society of Military Comptrollers will have a luncheon meeting at 11:30 a.m. July 10 at the Officers Club. The meal will cost \$6 for ASMC members and \$7 for non-members. State Rep. Steven R. Hettinger of Huntsville is scheduled speaker. For reservations, call Jean Evans 876-5222/8091.

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Travelers checks

The Army and Air Force Exchange Service will change from Republicbank to Visa travelers checks beginning July 1. They will be sold at one percent over face value and issued by Bank America. Visa travelers checks have more refunding stations, and they are sold in booklets rather than individually.

ACS classes

The ACS Family Advocacy Program offers classes in effective parenting each Tuesday, from 4-5:30 p.m. for parents with children under 12 and from 6-7:30 for parents with teenagers; and a five-week class in stress management that meets Wednesdays from 5-6:30 p.m. Classes are available to active and retired military and spouses and to DOD civilians when space is available. For information call 876-9289/2859.

Foster care

Military family members interested in being foster parents and planning to be in the area for a year or more should call Katie Clark, Foster Care Licensing, Madison County Department of Pensions and Security, 535-4500, or Dr. Resha, ACS Foster Care Coordinator, 876-9289/2859.

Hitchcock film

Alfred Hitchcock's "The Thirty-Nine Steps" will be shown at the Huntsville Museum of Art auditorium June 1 at 6:30 p.m. Admission is \$1.

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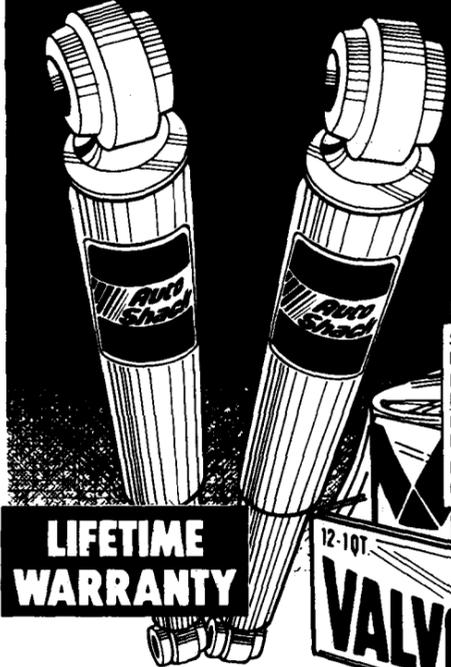
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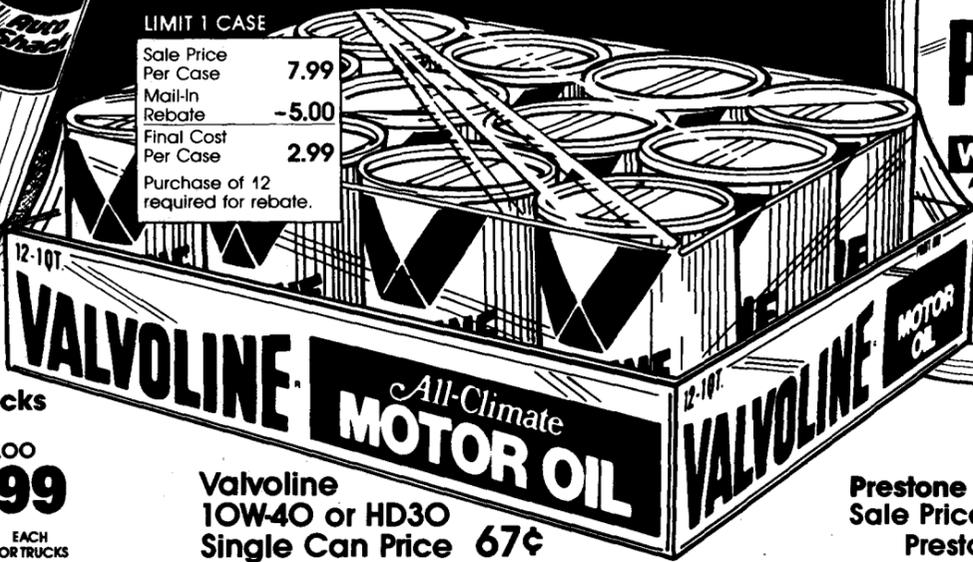
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