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COMMENTARY

Allied forces lose the race for Tunisia

The Axis reaction to the Allied landings was a swift determination to challenge the Allies in Tunisia. The Italians were assured that their operations in Tunisia would be supported by some of the best German divisions and a number of the heaviest and most effective tanks in existence.

Al Garland

Accordingly, the Germans established a separate command in Tunisia and ordered the 10th Panzer and Hermann Goering divisions from France and the new 334th Infantry Division, then being organized in Germany, to North Africa. To these were added an Italian corps headquarters and two Italian divisions, which had already begun their movement to Tunisia. The new ground commander was Gen. Walther Nehring, former commander of the German Africa Corps, who had been recuperating from a head wound he had received in Egypt on Aug. 31, 1942. Nehring, on his arrival, organized his defending forces into what were essentially two separate bridgeheads, one at Bizerte, the other at Tunis.

At the same time, Field Marshal Erwin Rommel was urged to withdraw as slowly as possible before the still-advancing British Eighth Army. But he continued to argue that it would be better for him to pull all the way back into Tunisia where the Axis forces could be concentrated for a stroke toward Algiers. Although his recommendation was not accepted initially, a new commander, Gen. Juergen von Arnim, more aggressive than Nehring, was sent to North Africa to replace Nehring, and the headquarters of the Axis forces in Tunisia was renamed the Fifth Panzer Army. The change of command took place on Dec. 9, 1942.

As the Axis buildup continued, the leading units of Gen. Anderson's British First Army (still officially referred to as the Eastern Task Force) left their base at Algiers and pressed eastward on routes along the coast and inland. The distances the units had to cover were considerable: 260 miles from Algiers to Bone and 120 miles more to Bizerte or Tunis. The country they had to traverse was rugged, and their lines of communication, accordingly, were vulnerable at many points. In fact, units from the U.S. 39th Infantry Regiment in Algiers, had to be drawn from Algiers to points along the line of communications and employed not only a guards but as service units. The swift advance was risky and difficult, but speed was essential to achieve Operation TORCH's purpose.

As his first move, Anderson sent an amphibious task force on Nov. 10 to seize Bougie, almost 140 miles to the east of Algiers, there to establish an advance assault shipping base and to seize a nearby airfield. Despite enemy air attacks, the task force accomplished its missions on Nov. 12.

On the same day, two destroyers slipped into the harbor of Bone and put ashore a reinforced British commando; it was reinforced later that day by some 300 British paratroopers dropped from U.S. transport aircraft on a small airfield near Bone. Both forces were unopposed.

Other British units moved rapidly along the coastal highway from Bone to the port of Tabarka. Two airborne drops — one British at Souk el Arba, a railroad center, the other a U.S. drop on the southern flank near Tebessa — aided the advance. The advancing units, fortunately, found the French forces to be helpful and well disposed to the Allied cause.

The first Allied ground engagement with the Axis forces in Tunisia took place on Nov. 17 near the coast at Djebel Abiod. It started when a German-Italian reconnaissance unit approached the positions occupied by a British unit and opened fire. The battle continued for the next two days with each side receiving reinforcements but neither being able to dislodge the other.

Other battles soon flared up, and to strengthen Anderson, several mobile U.S. units — artillery, light and medium tanks, armored infantrymen, and tank destroyers — were ordered forward from Algiers and Orans. Most of these units belonged to Combat Command B, 1st U.S. Armored Division.

As Anderson gathered his strength for a final thrust at Bizerte and Tunis, German and Italian air units repeatedly bombed the forward Allied supply centers as well as the Algiers harbor and nearby airfields. Since there were only a few and relatively distant airfields near the forward areas, Allied air support was spotty at best.

On Nov. 25, the Allied offensive jumped off to separate the Axis forces near Bizerte from those near Tunis, to capture Tunis, and then to hem in Bizerte. With the capture of Bizerte, Operation TORCH would terminate.

Despite a number of limited successes, the Allied drive toward Tunis reached its climax on Nov. 29 when the attacking force failed to drive the enemy from Djedeida, an important point less than 15 miles west of Tunis, and a British commando (reinforced with U.S. troops) landing west of Bizerte was eventually forced to withdraw early in December. A British parachute unit dropped some 25 miles south of Tunis was also turned back.

During these operations, U.S. and German armor units met in combat for the first time during World War II.

Gen. Eisenhower was loath to accept as final Anderson's failure to push beyond Djedeida. From his new headquarters at Algiers (he had moved from Gibraltar to North Africa on Nov. 25), he directed Anderson to prepare another offensive effort.

After a strong German counterattack roughed up several U.S. 1st Armored Division units along the inland axis of advance, Anderson regrouped his forces, which now included several additional U.S. units from the 1st U.S. Infantry Division, which he attached to the British 78th Infantry Division.

Anderson's attack began on Dec. 22 with the battle for Longstop Hill, a battle that lasted four days and cost the attacking British and U.S. units heavily but failed to secure this important terrain feature.

By now, Eisenhower and Anderson, meeting at a British corps headquarters on Dec. 24, agreed that the deteriorating weather conditions dictated an indefinite deferment of the second offensive. They concluded that they had lost the race with the Axis forces for Tunisia.

Time would now be devoted to accumulating the vast amount of supplies and reinforcements that would be needed to capture Tunis and Bizerte. But the weather would not permit the resumption of the attack for almost two months.

Al Garland is former editor of Infantry magazine.

WW II 50TH ANNIVERSARY

Fifty years ago this week, Britain's Royal Air Force's Bomber, Fighter and Coastal commands began a month of fierce attacks on German forces. In all, the Bomber Command flew 22 night and 29 day missions as both the Fighter Command and the Coastal Command conducted around the clock raids without fail. Targets selected by the RAF were Dusseldorf, Essen, Hamburg and Berlin; U-boat forces operating in the Atlantic and North Africa regions; and Axis ground forces fighting in India and Burma.

Here, according to the Military History Division at Fort Benning, were the top news items of the week:

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Allied aircraft operating against targets in the Solomon Islands and New Guinea sunk nine Japanese ships, successfully destroying more than 50,000 tons of equipment.

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Also near New Guinea, Allied forces intercepted a Japanese convoy and sank three transports, damaged three others and destroyed or crippled 113 aircraft while sustaining only minimal casualties in three days of fighting.

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On the Eastern Front, the Soviet army advanced against German forces decimated by the harsh Russian winter and the lack of adequate supplies. The Soviets regained much of the territory lost during the German offensive of the previous summer, capturing Mozdok, Malgovek, Elista, Velikiye Luki, Nalchik and the railway station in Chernyshkovsky.

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In North Africa, British forces temporarily captured the Jebel Azzag Ridge near Mateur only to be withdrawn in the face of fierce German counterattacks.

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Fort Benning officials prepared to accommodate and train the soon-to-be activated 300th Infantry Regiment, which would provide crack demonstration troops for various postwide training activities.

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COMMUNITY

Powell will pay a visit to Benning area next week

By Clint Claybrook
Staff Writer

You can bet Gen. Colin Powell, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, will get an upbeat reception Jan. 7 when he arrives at Lawson Army Airfield.

It will definitely be different than the one he got when assigned to one of the infantry courses at Fort Benning in the early 1960s. Tired and hungry, he and his wife Alma were refused service at Buck's Barbeque, on Brookhaven Avenue — now Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard.

Powell seldom mentions that rude reception, but is prone to laugh about being stopped by an Alabama state trooper on U.S. 280 while driving to Birmingham.

In the story Powell recounted for CBS' "60 Minutes," he recalled being told that a black soldier driving a foreign car (a Volkswagen Beetle) emblazoned with a sticker from the "wrong" presidential ticket (he wouldn't say which one) wasn't favorably received.

The four-star general is scheduled to arrive at 3 p.m. Thursday and cram a visit with Maj. Gen. Jerry White, the Fort Benning commander, into a minute-by-minute schedule in the afternoon. His wife is to attend a pair of Fort Benning functions, receptions at the Officers' Wives and Command Sergeant Majors' Wives clubs.

He'll be here as speaker for the Columbus Chamber of Commerce's annual meeting at the Columbus Iron Works Convention & Trade Center. The dinner is at 7 p.m. with a reception starting at 6:30.

As of Monday, only about 70 tickets, at $35 each, were still available for the dinner, said Michael Dunbar, a chamber spokesman. There are 1,296 tickets in all, he said.

At about 3:30 p.m. Thursday, Powell is to attend a ceremony in Phenix City where part of the Broad Street Extension will be renamed the Colin Powell Parkway. Powell is said to have lived in Phenix City during one of his tours at Fort Benning. "That's all we know" about where and when he lived in Phenix City , said Lynn Heard, chairman of a Phenix City-Russell County Chamber committee that got the street renamed for the general.

Associated Press

Gen. Colin Powell has spent plenty of time training and living in the Fort Benning-Columbus-Phenix City area.

Powell attended the Infantry Officers Basic and Advanced courses and the Ranger and Airborne courses at Fort Benning.

He also served as a test officer with the Infantry Board at Fort Benning. He was at the local post from his earliest days as a young second lieutenant in 1958, then returned from 1963-1967 for the Advanced Course and other duties.

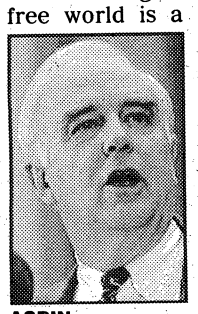
DEFENSE

Only time will tell if Aspin can handle defense post

By Jerry Rutledge
Leader Editor

Rep. Les Aspin of Wisconsin, as chairman of the House Armed Services Committee, was considered one of Capital Hill's most knowledgeable voices on military and defense issues.

Whether or not Aspin can make the switch from knowledgeable congressman to being the civilian head of the largest military in the free world is a question only time will tell, says retired military officers in the Columbus-Fort Benning area.



ASPIN

Aspin, 54, was nominated by President-elect Bill Clinton to serve in his cabinet as secretary of defense.

"He's a very knowledgeable man and, of course, respected on defense issues, having served on the Armed Services Committee and been chairman of that committee," said retired Lt. Gen. Ben Register. "But running the Department of Defense is a different story. I think he'll be exposed to a different set of requirements and responsibilities there. I think it's too early to say. I guess we'll have to see what he does."

One of the Democratic Party's leading voices on military issues on Capitol Hill, Aspin advised Clinton on defense issues. The president-elect's stand on cuts in the military parallels those suggested by Aspin, who has recommended cuts exceeding those proposed by the Bush administration by $12 billion to $15 billion.

It is those additional proposed cuts in military dollars that have proved worrisome to former members of the military establishment. They say the instability of the former Soviet Union, the strife in splintered Yugoslavia and the ever-volatile situation in the Middle East are prime reasons to go slowly on slashing the military.

"It is certainly a different world out there," said Register. "I think it is important that the structure of the services be such that it can respond adequately in what is still a dangerous world."

Former Fort Benning commander retired Maj. Gen. Ken Leuer said Aspin has the reputation of "being a stickler for detail during the budget process." Whether or not his new perspective in the budget-making system will moderate his views is open to question.

Pentagon spokesman Pete Williams said, after Clinton's selection of Aspin, that the nominee and Defense Secretary Cheney differed on budget issues but Cheney had "high regard for Les Aspin's intellect and his command of defense issues." Williams also said that Aspin's perspective on the budget "may be different once he gets to the Pentagon."

Aspin's move from Congress to Pentagon is similar to the move Cheney, a former congressman from Wyoming, made four years ago after Bush's election. Register gave Cheney high marks for his handling of the Pentagon.

"I thought he (Cheney) did a marvelous job," Register said. "He brought a good deal of maturity to the job. I thought the unity he brought between he Defense Department, the services and the administration was excellent. It showed in Desert Storm/Desert Shield.

"But anybody going into a job of that magnitude, it all depends on what their (the Clinton administration) agenda is and I don't know what that is except for what I've read."

In Congress, Aspin has favored a trimmed-down, extremely mobile base force for the post-Cold War military.

Where the Bush administration had proposed a base force of 1.6 million active-duty troops for fiscal 1993, the House Armed Services Committee chairman had countered that such a force would be too large, cumbersome and difficult to mobilize.

His counter proposal included fewer active divisions in both the Army and the Marines, one-third fewer Air Force wings than the Bush Administration proposed and sizable cuts in the Navy (340-ship, 12 carrier fleet to a 450-ship 13 carrier). Aspin based his force proposals on the Persian Gulf War, reasoning that the conflict better demonstrated the kind of warfare American forces would encounter than a hypothetical American-Soviet clash, the model Bush Administration used.

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PROFILE

Colonel pictures himself as teacher

Camp leads 29th Infantry Regiment

By Linda Bosley Dailey
Staff Writer

Col. Gregory Camp has been in the Army for more than 24 years, and has been stationed at locations from Texas to New York, from Virginia to Washington, from Vietnam to Australia.

But it was in Georgia, here at Fort Benning, that Camp encountered a unit that he says is unlike any other in which he's ever served.

And he not only serves in that unit, he leads it.

Camp is commander of the 29th Infantry Regiment, which is headquartered at the Collins Training Center in Harmony Church.

"The 29th is the most unusual unit I've ever been in," Camp said. All his experiences in the Army have proved helpful to him in doing this job, but none, he said, have prepared him exactly to lead what he calls a "one-of-a-kind" organization.

The 29th has a broad range of training responsibilities and a diverse student body. And those are the very characteristics that distinguish the 29th.

Instructors from the 29th Infantry Regiment instruct soldiers at every stage of their military careers — from new soldiers who have been in boot camp for just a week to seasoned colonels preparing to take command of a mechanized brigade. They teach subjects as varied as marksmanship, land navigation, tactical communications, first aid and Bradley Fighting Vehicle gunnery.

And that's in addition to the instruction the 29th provides in schools the unit itself runs — the sniper school, the Bradley master gunner's course and mortar leader's course, among others.

Also, the 29th writes manuals for the Army on the subjects it teaches.

But leading the regiment is a pleasant challenge for Camp. "It's very interesting — more interesting than any other job I've ever had," he said.

In addition to that duty, though, Camp has another job he enjoys. He is president of the Fort Benning School Board.

"I really enjoy that job," he said of his school board responsibility. "I make time for it."

"He's a real busy guy," said Rolla Baumgartner, superintendent of the Fort Benning schools, but he never fails to be available to school system employees. "His genuine concern and liking for people" help make Camp well-suited for the job, Baumgartner said. "He has empathy for teachers and teaching," he said.

By Joe Maher/The Benning Leader

Col. Gregory Camp calls his 29th Infantry Regiment, which is based at Harmony Church, a 'one-of-a-kind' organization.

Camp's empathy for teachers may be the result of his first-hand experience in front of the chalkboard.

Camp was a mathematics instructor at the U.S. Military Academy in West Point for three years. He was a trainer at the National Training Center at Fort Irwin for two years. He taught infantry tactics for two years in Australia as an exchange officer there. And his duties commanding the 29th — a training unit — also contribute to his understanding.

"That's what I think I do in the Army," Camp said of teaching. "I feel like I'm a teacher in the Army."

It was his two-year tour of duty as an exchange officer to Australia that was his most enjoyable assignment, Camp said. While down under, he taught soldiers from Australia, as well as Pakistan, New Zealand, Papua/New Guinea and Indonesia.

"I personally learned a lot about infantry training," Camp said of his stint as an instructor there. "Tactics are fairly constant" among the world's infantries, but still he had much to read and much to learn about differences in terminology.

Fellow instructors — Australian soldiers themselves — helped him get "Australian-ized," Camp said.

Long fascinated with the Pacific continent, Camp took the opportunity while there to travel throughout the country. "We've seen more of Australia than we have of America," Camp said.

And Camp has been from coast to coast in the United States, thanks to Uncle Sam. A soldier all of his adult life, Camp was a military dependent throughout his childhood. Camp's father is a retired Army colonel.

"Every meal I've ever eaten has been paid for by the Army in one way or the other," Camp said. As it turned out, Camp spent eight of his 12 school years in Kansas before graduating from high school in McLean, Va., a suburb of Washington, D.C.

From there, Camp went to the U.S. Military Academy at West Point. Although his father never pressured him to join the Army, Camp entered the service because he wanted to be like his father.

"He's sort of my hero. I wanted to be like him," Camp said.

And although he joined the Army to be like his dad, he said, "I stayed in the Army because I liked the Army," he said. Among other things, he said, he liked the diversity of the responsibilities.

In addition to the positions he's held in which he was an instructor, Camp has served as operations officer and then executive officer for a battalion, and as a brigade personnel officer.

Camp, too, has worked in the programs analysis and evaluation office at the Army Personnel Center in Alexandria, Va. The office was, he said, "a little think tank outside the commanding general's office," which was responsible for long-range planning.

Camp's own long-range plans, however, are uncertain. He will relinquish command of the 29th this summer, but doesn't know yet what his next assignment is. He hopes he can stay at Fort Benning.

After more than 24 years in the Army, Camp knows his retirement is no more than about five years away. But what he'll do after that, he doesn't know, he said.

"I haven't given a lot of thought to it," he said. He is interested in education as well as business, and has advanced degrees in both mathematics and business administration.

But one option is already apparent. "I like to teach. I could well end up teaching when I get out of the Army," Camp said.

Col. Gregory Camp

Job: Commander, 29th Infantry Regiment.

Education: Bachelor's degree, U.S. Military Academy, 1968; master's degree in mathematics, Georgia Tech; master's of business administration, Long Island University.

Family: Wife, Joanie; three children: Scott, 16; Matthew, 14; Jennifer, 13.

On future plans: "I like to teach. I could well end up teaching when I get out of the Army."

On being an Army brat and Army officer: "Every meal I've ever eaten has been paid for by the Army in one way or the other."

On traveling through Australia: "We've seen more of Australia than we have of America."

On the 29th Infantry Regiment: "The 29th is the most unusual unit I've ever been in."

Temporary obligation turns into 19-year career

By Jerry Rutledge
Leader Editor

Ilona Prewitt never expected to be in the military for the long haul.

The first female ROTC cadet to be directly commissioned into the military out of Columbus College, Prewitt initially only wanted to serve out her two-year obligation and return to civilian life.

But now, years later, Lt. Col. Ilona Prewitt feels she made the correct choice. The two-year obligation has become a 19-year career and now Prewitt stands only a few months away from trading in her silver oak leaf for the eagle of a full colonel.

A Columbus native who graduated from Baker High School (now Baker Middle School) in 1969, Prewitt is the daughter of retired Sgt. Maj. George and Ruth Prewitt of Southern Pines Drive. Sgt. Maj. Prewitt served on the old Infantry Board that operated on Fort Benning several years ago.

Despite an Army background, Prewitt was not totally sold on a military career as college graduation came near. "I had seriously considered staying at Sears on Macon Road, because I worked in there part time," Prewitt said, with a laugh. "But it (the Army) proved to be so interesting and so delightful meeting the myriad of people I encountered in the military, that I decided to stay.

"The opportunities the military offers are indeed wonderful, if you're looking to broaden your horizons. There are no regrets at all. It has been wonderful and it will continue to be wonderful I'm sure. I look forward to it."

Prewitt is currently going to school at the Army War College in Carlisle, Pa. She is not certain where she will next be stationed, but the Pentagon is a very real possibility. Two tours at Fort Benning are among other stops during Prewitt's career.

The role of women in the Army has changed a great deal during Prewitt's career. When she was commissioned in 1969, female soldiers comprised a totally different branch of the Army — the Women's Army Corps — with training done at Fort McClellan in northeast Alabama.

Opportunities for women have improved drastically since the WAC was disbanded and women were "integrated" into the regular Army in the middle 1970s.

PREWITT

"I was very much in favor of that," said Prewitt. "I don't believe in separate-but-equal for anybody, whether you are talking gender, race or religion.

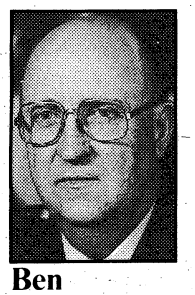
"And over the years, things have gotten much more progressive for women in the military than they were when I entered. For example, until 1972, if you became pregnant you were automatically out of the Army. Either your commission was resigned or your enlistment was terminated if you were an enlisted woman."

Prewitt said the military's progress in social issues has always been a microcosm of society's progress. In some cases, the Army led the way. In others, the Army may have been a little more cautious to change.

"I think the military was much more progressive when it came to the integration of blacks into its ranks than the private sector was," Prewitt said. "I think the military and the private sector complements one another in progress. Either one can be more progressive than the other at any point in time. And that's good. It's good for the country."

AUSA backs the soldier modernization program

As the Chief of Infantry, the Commanding General of the Infantry Center and School is charged with the Combat Developments mission for Infantry soldiers, Infantry individuals and organizational equipment, and the Infantry fighting doctrine of the future. This great responsibility, which Maj. Gen. Jerry White has shouldered with great foresight and energy, ensures that the Infantry soldier of the future has available the technology of the future to fight the doctrine of the future. The doctrine must be integrated with the combat capability of the other United States Armed Services. The Air-Land Battle doctrine executed so professionally during Desert Storm demonstrates the effectiveness of the Combat Developments process.


Ben Register

Much has been written recently in the Benning Leader and the Columbus Ledger-Enquirer about new equipment and concepts being tested and evaluated at Fort Benning for the Infantry soldier. This modernization process must be supported with funding by the Congress to provide our soldiers the equipment equal to their courage. The Association of the United States Army strongly supports the soldier modernization program.

AUSA Resolution 93-4
Soldier Modernization

The Army's Soldier Modernization Program (SMP) and the Soldier Enhancement Program (SEP) recognize the need to field a qualitatively superior professional soldier to defend and protect the nation's interest on the unknown battlefields of the future.

The purpose of the SMP is to make the soldier more lethal, survivable, effective and sustainable, while improving living conditions in the field. The SMP focuses on the soldier as a system, and covers the full range of research, development, acquisition and fielding, using state of the art technology to expedite modernization of soldier items.

The SEP provides for accelerated procurement of nondevelopmental items that can be quickly fielded. The ever increasing combat effectiveness of our soldiers is dependent on the continued funding of the SMP and the SEP. The restructuring of our Army into a smaller, more flexible force demands a field soldier second to none.

We therefore resolve to urge the Administration and Congress to maintain, and, where necessary, increase the funding of the Soldier Modernization Plan and the Soldier Enhancement Program.

Operation Holiday

Since 1980, our chapter of AUSA, with the support of the tri-community, has sponsored Operation Holiday for Fort Benning soldiers who are away from their families during the holiday season. The 13th annual Operation Holiday Kickoff ceremony was held Friday, Dec. 18, at the Columbus Government Center. We deeply appreciate the participation of the Rev. Richard Robertson representing the Columbus Ministerial Alliance, the Color Guard from the 507th Airborne Battalion; Command Sgt. Maj. William Acebes, the Infantry Center Command Sergeant Major; Columbus Mayor Pro Tem A.J. McClung; Phenix City Mayor Sonny Coulter; Brig. Gen. Jay Hendrix, Deputy Commanding General of the Infantry Center; and Miss Samone Savoie, the reigning Miss Columbus. In a show of interservice support and holiday spirit, the students at the Air Force Command and Staff College, Maxwell Air Force Base, Montgomery, Ala., presented 144 tickets to Blue-Gray football game for soldiers at Fort Benning. In addition to this great gift, Operation Holiday is supported by the generous contributions of AUSA Corporate and individual members in the tri-community. If you would like to make a contribution to Operation Holiday, please make out your check to the Association of the United States Army, P.O. Box 2036, Fort Benning, Ga. 31905.

This is another way that we can show our support for and appreciation of the soldiers that serve so well. Happy holidays and a prayer for peace in the New Year.

Calendar of upcoming events:

Through Jan. 4 — Operation Holiday

Jan. 12 — Executive Committee meeting, 1 p.m., room 642, Infantry Hall

Feb. 9 — Executive Committee meeting, 1 p.m., room 642, Infantry Hall

Feb. 17 — AUSA Board meeting, 2 p.m., First Union Bank

Ben Register, a retired lieutenant general, is president of the Chattahoochee Valley-Fort Benning Chapter of the Association of the United States Army (AUSA).

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COURSE	NO		TITLE	INSTRUCTOR	PREREQ
GENERAL STUDIES					
ENG	101	AA	Composition I	Livingston	P-TEST
ENG	205	AA	World Lit I	Copland	ENG 102
HIS	111	AA	US to 1877	Staff	NONE
HIS	102	AA	Wes Civ II	Estep	NONE
PHI	204	AA	Ethics Mod World	Tarsitano	NONE
*BIO	100	AA	Prin Biology	McCarley	NONE
PSYCHOLOGY					
PSY	304	AA	Abnormal Psych	Moates	25 hrs Psy & Jr or above
SOCIAL SCIENCE					
HIS	333	AA	Russia Since 1861	Wright	NONE
BUSINESS					
ACT	292	AA	Prin Acct II	Lee	ACT 291
LAW	221	AA	Legal Environment	Cielinski	NONE
MGT	479	AA	Mgt Seminar	Robinson	MGT 371
&CIS	244	AA	Prin Comp & Prog	Shehane	MTH 111
CRIMINAL JUSTICE					
CJ	343	AA	Evidence	Poydasheff	NONE
CJ	301	AA	Criminal Law	Mendoza	CJ 221

MONDAY & WEDNESDAY 2020-2235

ENG	101	BB	Composition I	Tarsitano	P-TEST
ENG	102	AA	Composition II	Livingston	ENG 101
ENG	206	AA	World Lit II	Copland	ENG 102
HIS	112	AA	U S Since 1877	Staff	NONE
MTH	132	AA	Math Gen Studies	McCarley	P-TEST
SOCIAL SCIENCE					
HIS	304	AA	Military His U S	Wright	NONE
POL	402	AA	Political Geo	Poydasheff	NONE
BUSINESS					
&CIS	241	AA	Mgt Info Systems	Shehane	MTH 111
ACT	291	AA	Prin Acct I	Lee	NONE
MGT	376	AA	Human Resource Dev	Robinson	MGT 375
OS	383	AA	Business Commun II	Majors	OS 382
CRIMINAL JUSTICE					
CJ	101	AA	Intro to CJ	Mendoza	NONE
CJ	411	AA	COURT & CTRM PRAC	CIELINSKI	NONE

NOON 1200-1250 BLDG. 2612

&CIS	200	CC	Intro Computer Appli	Shehane	NONE

NOON 1200-1250 BLDG. 243

HIS	112	DD	U S Since 1877	Staff	NONE

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GENERAL STUDIES					
ENG	101	CC	Composition I	Robertson	P-TEST
ENG	206	BB	World Lit II	Gulley	ENG 102
PSY	200	AA	Gen Psychology	Graham	NONE
HIS	112	BB	U S Since 1877	Bryant	NONE
#MUS	131	AA	(TU ONLY) Music	Dietrich	NONE
#ART	133	AA	(TH ONLY) Vis Art	Wilson	NONE
SOC	275	AA	Gen Sociology	Smith	NONE
MTH	111	AA	College Algebra	Davis	P-TEST
MTH	132	BB	Math Gen Studies	Porter	P-TEST
*BIO	100	BB	Prin Biology	Moeller	NONE

COURSE	NO		TITLE	INSTRUCTOR	PREREQ
SOCIAL SCIENCE					
HIS	490	AA	Pro-Seminar	Crews	NONE
SOC	323	AA	Juvenile Del	Shields	NONE
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BUSINESS					
&CIS	343	AA	Program Lang	Mowery	CIS 245,248
ECO	251	AA	Prin Macroeco	Beighley	NONE
MGT	375	AA	Human Resource Mgt	Voter	MGT 371
MGT	477	AA	Labor Relations	Pfeiffer	MGT 371
CRIMINAL JUSTICE					
CJ	231	AA	Survey of Corrections	Kirkland	CJ 101, CJ 201

TUESDAY & THURSDAY 2020-2235

GENERAL STUDIES					
ENG	101	DD	Composition I	Robertson	P-TEST
ENG	102	BB	Composition II	Gulley	ENG 101
HIS	111	BB	U S to 1877	Bryant	NONE
#MUS	131	BB	(TU ONLY) Music	Dietrich	NONE
#ART	133	BB	(TH ONLY) Vis Art	Wilson	NONE
MTH	111	BB	College Algebra	Davis	P-TEST
PSYCHOLOGY					
PSY	205	AA	Psych of Adjust	Graham	NONE
SOCIAL SCIENCE					
HIS	415	AA	Contemp America	Crews	NONE
SOC	317	AA	Minorities U S	Shields	NONE
BUSINESS					
&**CIS	200	AA	Intro Comp Appli(TU)	Mowery	NONE
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ECO	252	AA	Prin Microeco	Voter	NONE
QM	241	AA	Business Statistics	Staff	MTH 111
CRIMINAL JUSTICE					
CJ	201	AA	Prin Justice Agency	Staff	CJ 101

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#MUS 131 Also Meets 1230-1700 (SAT) Feb 6 93
#ART 133 Also Meets 1230-1700 (SAT) Feb 20 93
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& ALL CIS Classes Meet in Building 2612

SATURDAY 0800-1230 BLDG 4

&CIS	342	AA	Adv COBOL	Hatton	CIS 248
CJ	341	AA	Scientific Aids	D. Wright	CJ 331
ENG	102	CC	Composition II	Livingston	ENG 101
HIS	111	CC	U S to 1877	Bryant	NONE
HIS	112	CC	U S Since 1877	Murdoch	NONE
MGT	471	AA	Org Development	Snow	MGT 371
MGT	476	AA	Stratetic Mgt MKT 331	Alexander MGT 371	ACT 292 FIN 331
MTH	132	CC	Math Gen Studies	Walters	P-TEST
SCI	233	AA	Physical Science	Thomas	NONE
SCI	234	AA	Earth Science	Tieken	NONE
##SPH	241	AA	Speech	Burns	NONE

WEEKEND CLASSES

COURSE	NO		TITLE	INSTRUCTOR	DATES
MAN	665	GG	Marketing Management	Viohl	Jan. 22, 23, 24, Feb. 5, 6, 7 Feb. 27*
HRM	624	GG	Human Resources Mgt	Lardent	Jan 29, 30, 31 Feb. 19, 20, 21 Mar 6*
MAN	678	GG	Human Resources Mgt	Lardent	Jan 29, 30, 31 Feb. 19, 20, 21 Mar 6*

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PLEASE NOTE SPECIFIC DATES:
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LAST DAY TO DROP A CLASS ..... 19 FEB

CLASS TIME FOR WEEKEND COURSES WILL BE AS FOLLOWS:

1st Weekend		2nd Weekend		3rd Weekend	
Fri.	5:30pm-9:40pm	Fri	5:30pm-9:40pm	Sat	8:00am-12:00pm
Sat	8:00am-6:00pm	Sat	8:00am-6:00pm		
Sun	8:00am-5:30pm	Sun	8:00am-1:30pm		

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Last Day to File Intent to Graduate for Spring Quarter 1993 ..... 19 JAN

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HUMAN RESOURCES MANAGEMENT

COURSE	NO		TITLE	INSTRUCTOR	DAY
HRM	619	GG	Seminar in H R	Buford	Tue
HRM	620	GG	Org Theory	Snow	Mon
MAN	645	GA	Quant Methods	Sara	Wed
MAN	674	GA	Ethics in Bus	Lardent	Thu

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

POL	551	GG	Survey Intl Rel	Simmons	Mon
POL	630	GG	Sem Intl Pol Rel	Porter	Thu

MANAGEMENT

MAN	685	GG	Mgt Strategy	Alexander	Tue
MAN	675	GG	Theory of Org	Snow	Mon
MAN	645	GB	Quant Methods	Sara	Wed
MAN	674	GB	Ethics in Bus	Lardent	Thu
MAN	656	GG	Eco Forecasting	Sara	Tue

AT EASE

MOVIE REVIEW

Pacino gives an Oscar performance in 'Scent'

By Philip Wuntch
Dallas Morning News

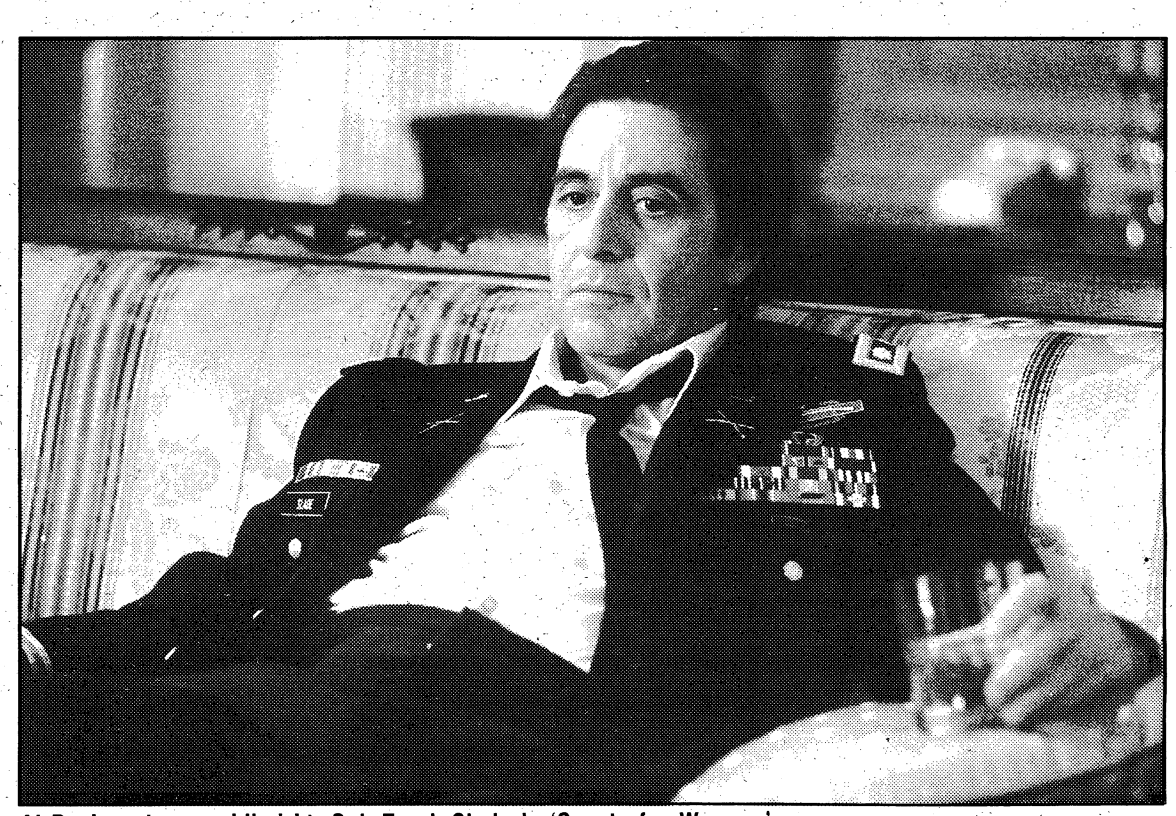
Forget, if you can, the specter of Michael Corleone and concentrate on Lt. Col. Frank Slade.

Slade is the character portrayed with full-voltage brilliance by Al Pacino in "Scent of a Woman." It's one of the great roles of Pacino's career and certainly the signature role of his autumnal career. But autumnal should not be considered synonymous with mellow. In certain circumstances, Slade is as cunning as "The Godfather," as eccentric as the bank robber in "Dog Day Afternoon" and as unrelenting as the honest cop in "Serpico."

Pacino responds to the challenge with a vigor that places him among the foremost qualifiers in this year's Oscar race. Portraying a blind man, he shouts every syllable with the conviction of someone who, unable to communicate with his eyes, fully appreciates the force of words. In Bo Goldman's compelling screenplay, some of Pacino's words are hilarious; others are probing, and many are stinging. But the entire canvas provides the actor with something to shout about.

In fact, much of the brilliance of Pacino's performance is reflected in the variety of his bellowing. Such a delivery could have been monotonous and even irritating. But Pacino turns Slade's shouting sprees into acting arias. His performance is a joy to watch — and to hear.

Underrated director Martin Brest ("Going in Style," "Midnight Run," the first "Beverly Hills Cop") eavesdrops on his simple story, allowing what is essentially a two-character drama to unfold with graceful leisure. Slade needs a companion for a long Thanksgiving weekend, when his caring-but-understandably hassled relatives will be vacationing. The shy, well-meaning student Charlie Simms (played by Chris O'Donnell, best remembered as Jessica Lange's inquisitive son in "Men Don't Leave"), answers an ad on the bulletin board of his snobbish private school.



Al Pacino stars as blind Lt. Col. Frank Slade in 'Scent of a Woman.'

The encounter finds both Charlie and Slade at emotional crossroads. Charlie faces expulsion by the tyrannical headmaster, who wants him to snitch on another student for a particularly nasty prank. Slade, who was blinded five years earlier during a contest of machismo with a military buddy, intends to commit suicide — but not before having a whale of a good time.

Slade's Thanksgiving plans include a wish-fulfillment trip to New York, complete with limo, a suite at a luxury hotel, a show-stopping tango at a night club and a liaison with the city's priciest call girl. Slade is a true lover of women and can name a fragrance on any female after only a whiff — hence the film's provocative title.

The inevitable happens. Charlie and Slade teach each other to live. This is not an unlikely conceit; people DO learn from one another. However, the film goes soft when their actual personal dramas overlap.

Pacino's portrayal, as mentioned, makes Denzel Washington's Oscar night victory for "Malcolm X" no longer a sure thing. O'Donnell brings sprightliness to a role that could have been smothered with earnestness. James Rebhorn does a solidly hissable job as the caste-conscious headmaster, while Philip S. Hoffman is appropriately pathetic as a prep school weasel. Gabrielle Anwar has all the right moves in her brief role as Pacino's tango partner.

"Scent of a Woman" is one of the best reasons to be jolly this movie season.

"Scent of a Woman" is rated R (liberal profanity). Running time: 2 hours, 37 minutes.

At the movies

Listings for Jan. 1-7

TODAY

Sand Hill and Main Post closed

SATURDAY

Sand Hill closed

Love Potion #9 (PG-13) 2 p.m., Main Post

Sneakers (PG-13) 7 p.m., Main Post

The Last of the Mohicans (R) 9 p.m., Main Post

SUNDAY

Sand Hill Closed

Love Potion #9 (PG-13) 2 p.m., Main Post

Glengarry Glen Ross (R) 7 p.m., Main Post

MONDAY

Passenger 57 (R) 7 p.m., Main Post

TUESDAY

Love Potion #9 (PG-13) 7 p.m., Main Post

WEDNESDAY

Glengarry Glen Ross (R) 7 p.m., Main Post

THURSDAY

Passenger 57 (R) 7 p.m., Main Post

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"THE MUPPET CHRISTMAS CAROL" G 1:15 3:00 5:00 7:00 9:00
"LEAP OF FAITH" PG13 2:15 4:30 7:15 9:30 — No Disc. Tkts.
"A FEW GOOD MEN" R 1:00 4:00 7:00 9:45
"THE BODYGUARD" R 1:15 4:00 7:00 9:45 — No Disc. Tkts.
the Screening Room
"A RIVER RUNS THROUGH IT" PG 1:30 4:15 7:00 9:45
Columbus Square 8 / 563-4410 COLUMBUS SQUARE
Box Office Opens at 12:00 — "MALCOLM X"
NO DISCOUNT TICKETS
PG13 1:30 2:30 6:00 8:15 10:30
"A FEW GOOD MEN" R 12:30 1:00 3:30 4:00 7:15 9:45 10:00
"THE BODYGUARD" R 1:15 4:00 7:00 9:45 — No Disc. Tkts.
"THE DISTINGUISHED GENTLEMAN" R 1:00 3:45 7:00 9:30
"TRESPASS" R 2:15 4:30 7:15 9:45 — No Disc. Tkts.
"HOFFA" R 1:00 4:00 7:00 9:45 — No Disc. Tkts.
Peachtree Triple / 322-7704 PEACHTREE MALL
Box Office Opens at 6:30 — "TOYS" PG13 7:00 9:30 — No Disc. Tkts.
"FOREVER YOUNG" PG 7:00 9:30 — No Disc. Tkts.
"DRACULA" R 7:00 9:30
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Box Office Opens at 1:30 — "CANDYMAN" R 2:00 4:30 7:00 9:30
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"THE LAST OF THE MOHICANS" R 2:00 4:30 7:00 9:30
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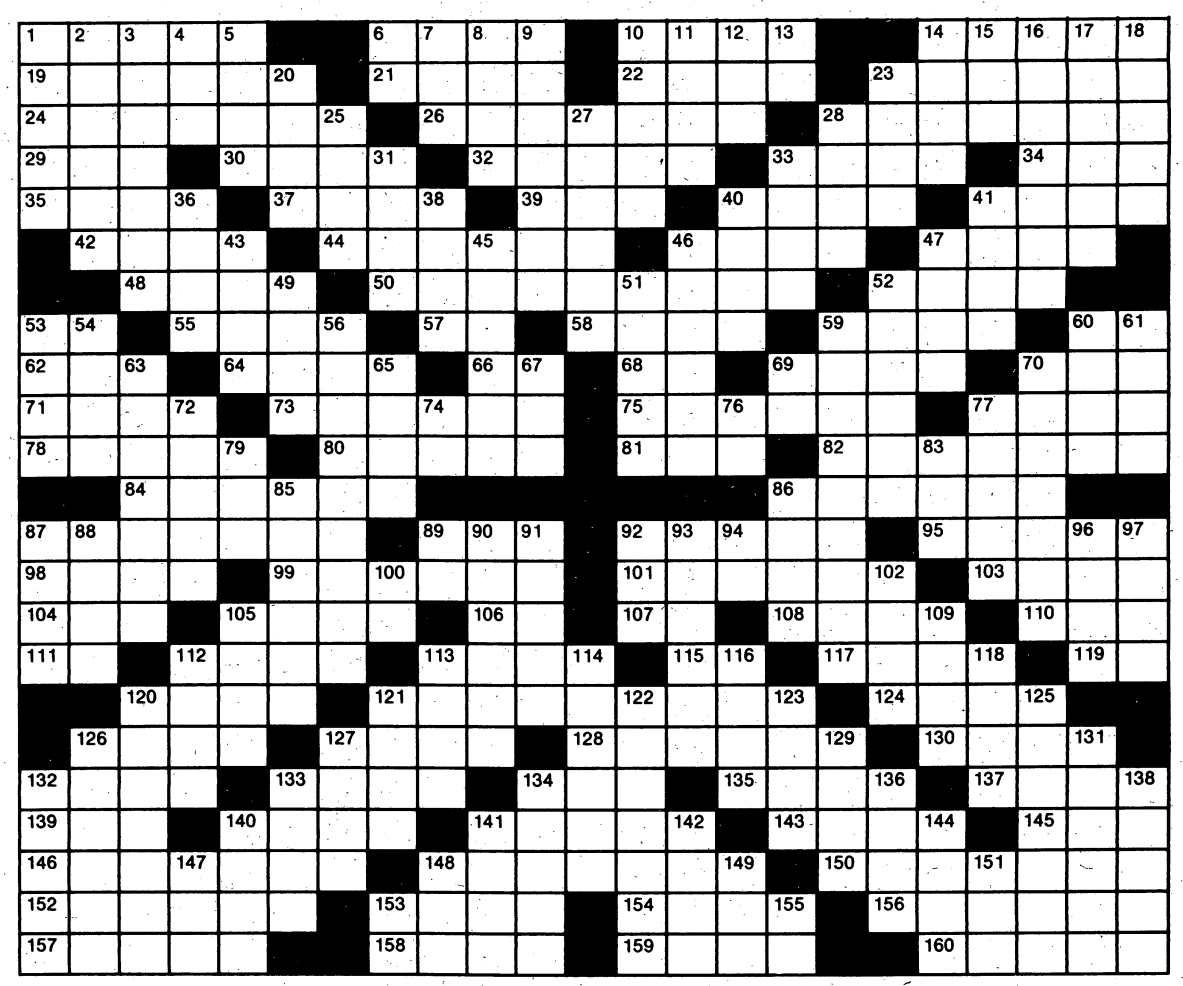


Crossword puzzle answer on Page 14

ACROSS

1 "Canterbury —"
6 Couch
10 Protective ditch
14 Muscular contraction
19 Highest point
21 Cash drawer
22 Unemployed
23 Infant's footwear
24 Schedule of events
26 Pamphlet
28 Touch
29 Vast age
30 Kind of collar
32 More competent
33 Wedding band
34 The — Gees
35 Cut
37 Spirit; courage
39 Swiss river
40 Tardy
41 Young boys
42 Trade for money
44 Atmospheric disturbances
46 Pilaf ingredient
47 Play part
48 Foray
50 Illicit drinking place: slang
52 Teeth in wheel
53 Wonder ID
55 Three feet
57 Babylonian deity
58 Narrow opening
59 Butter squares
60 As far as
62 Moccasin
64 Steak order
66 Yes, to Juan
68 Sanford ID
69 Roll call reply
70 Edge
71 Promptly
73 Repulsive woman
75 Cylindrical
77 Transaction
78 Choir voice
80 Heavenly bodies
81 Japan ender
82 Go in again
84 "Altered —"
86 "The Green —"
87 Imbued with
89 Short sleep
92 Bay window
95 Procrastination
98 Summer highlights
99 Essence
101 River banks
103 Rockfish
104 Grain
105 Rachel or Sela
106 Sun god
107 UK Princess
108 Musical instrument
110 Yellow ocher
111 Mr. Pacino
112 Indefinite number
113 Keen
115 Savannah's St.
117 Defaces
119 French article
120 Baseball's Bucky —
121 Profound respect
124 Inlets
126 Occident
127 Speechless
128 Ancient Hebrew ascetic
130 Silkworm
132 Every
133 Prohibits
134 Perform
135 Stalk
137 Establishment: abbr.
139 Be ill
140 Lease
141 Ceremonies
143 Verve
145 Ginger —
146 Sculptured likenesses
148 Abates
150 Splash
152 More uncanny
153 — strongly about
154 Olympian Spitz
156 Extras
157 Fear
158 Assistant
159 Blemish
160 Public storehouse

DOWN

1 Records
2 Dress protectors
3 Crazier: slang
4 Urge on
5 Withered
6 " — Elsewhere"
7 Castor —
8 — market
9 Cotton State
10 Distance runner
11 Baltic Sea feeder
12 In music, high
13 Tellurium symbol
14 Melody
15 Vessel
16 Kettledrums
17 Withdraw from a federation
18 Apportions
20 Consumes
23 Skeleton part
25 Cries like a cow
27 Flat-bodied bottles
28 Quote
31 Streisand film
33 Full of zest
36 Frolic
38 Run easily
40 Roster
41 Ship's records
43 Fabricator
45 Cause
46 Lifts
47 Repetition
49 Haul with effort
51 Choice part
52 Calling
53 Quarrel
54 Decrease
56 One-humped camel
59 — jelly
60 Baked clay
61 Hebrew measure
63 Give approval
65 God of love
67 Those holding office
69 Helium symbol
70 Baby's playthings
72 Memoranda
74 Proceed
76 Concerning
77 Scoff
79 Music variety
83 Finish
85 Occupant
86 Foot part
87 Portico
88 South African Dutch
89 Greek letter
90 Come on the scene
91 "War and —"
92 Ancient
93 Rules
94 Roman four
96 Dye plant
97 — University
100 Danson ID
102 " — Trek"
105 Need
109 Great Lake
112 Intertwine
113 New Jersey —
114 Builds
116 High cards
118 Ranee garment
120 Say
121 Stunted person
122 Holds in high regard
123 Grafted: heraldry
125 Old Blue Eyes
126 Restaurant worker
127 Le —
129 Morays
131 Slumbering
132 Facilitated
133 Tavern stock
134 Passageway
136 Tourists' guides
138 Brief
140 Regretted
141 Willis or Rex
142 Break suddenly
144 Back of neck
147 Aunt in Spain
148 Oahu wreath
149 Full house: abbr.
151 Make lace
153 Astaire ID
155 "Body Heat" star: inits.

Famed Lipizzaner Stallions to leap into Columbus

From staff reports

As part of the 24th anniversary tour, the Royal Lipizzaner Stallions will prance into Columbus' Municipal Auditorium for a performance Friday, Jan. 8.

The Lipizzaner's roots can be traced back to the warrior steeds of Genghis Khan, Alexander the Great and Napolean. Bred for speed, strength and intelligence, this horse's roots also go back to the Spanish Moors, who devised the combination of Andalusian, Arabian and Vilanos stock.

This rare breed of horse, known for its balance and leaping movements, originally was used in combat to terrorize foot soldiers. Now its abilities are valued solely for beauty.

The Austrian Empire began breeding its own line of this superior horse in the 1500s on a royal stud farm in the Austrian province of Lipizzan. Trained for battle in the ancient art of dressage at Vienna's Spanish Riding School, the Royal Lipizzaner Stallions are both fierce warriors of the battle field and graceful ballerinas of the equestrian world.

After 400 years of turbulent history, the Lipizzaner nearly disappeared during World War II, when Gen. George Patton rescued the herd from war-torn Austria.

The Walt Disney film, "The Miracle of the White Stallions," depicted the Patton rescue of the horses from Czechoslovakia and helped spread the fame of the stallions.

The Lipizzaners may be best known for their maneuvers called "Airs Above the Ground." In one of the maneuvers the horse springs all fours six to eight feet off the ground. These are trained battle movements which protected the rider in the saddle when he was on the battlefield in the 16th century.

Other breeds can do the "Airs Above the Ground," says Gary Lashinsky, the show's producer, "but the Lipizzaners are built right for the maneuvers.

"They're a short, very stocky, very strong, square-type horse. They actually have one less vertebrae than most horses, which gives them their square presence. This has allowed them to have more compact power to be able to leap in the air and do all the movements that they're trained for."

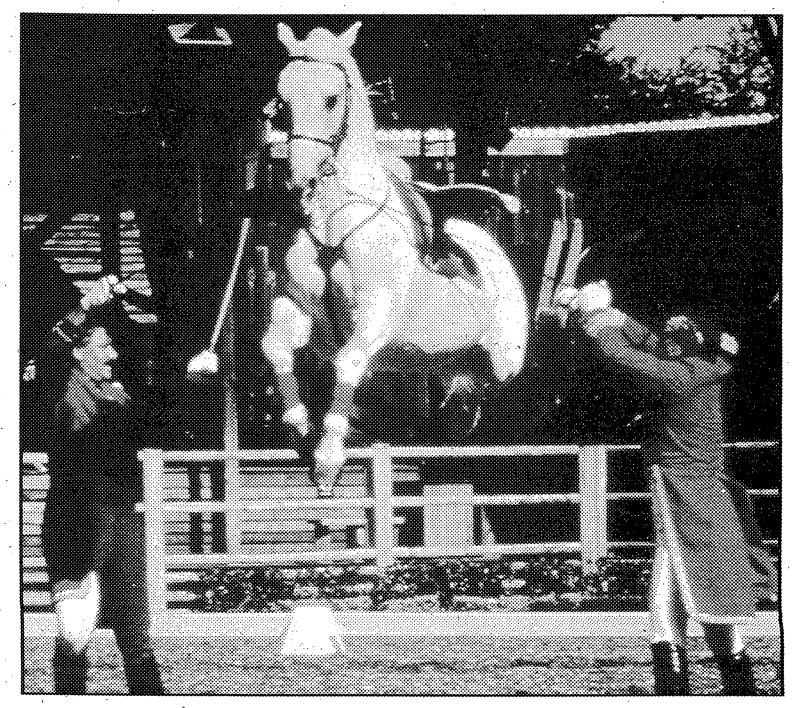
Information

What: The Royal Lipizzaner Stallions.

When: 8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 8.

Where: Columbus Municipal Auditorium.

Tickets: Available at Turtle's: VIP, $15.50; adults, $12.50; seniors 60 and older and children younger then 12, $10.50.



The Royal Lipizzaner Stallions are known for the speed, strength, intelligence, and of course, their leaping ability.

COVER STORY

Gunsmiths are the unsung heroes

Post's marksmen depend on unit's precision skills

By Linda Bosley Dailey
Staff Writer

They can build a gun from nothing more than a number.

The gunsmiths of the U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit start with a commercially manufactured weapon. But often, they tear it down until nothing remains but the receiver, the metal part between barrel and stock that bears the serial number.

From that serial number, they begin again, crafting a gun that's custom-fit to the shooter who fires it.

Such precision is necessary for shooters who compete regularly in the world's highest-caliber competitions — national championships, international shooting matches, inter-military contests, World Cup championships and the Olympics.

"It takes high-class stuff to win high-class competitions," said William O. "W.O." Harden, chief of the unit's Custom Firearms Shop in the basement of Building 243.

"We're more like the pit crew at the Indianapolis 500. We provide a service to the competitors," said "W.O." Harden, chief of the unit's Custom Firearms Shop.

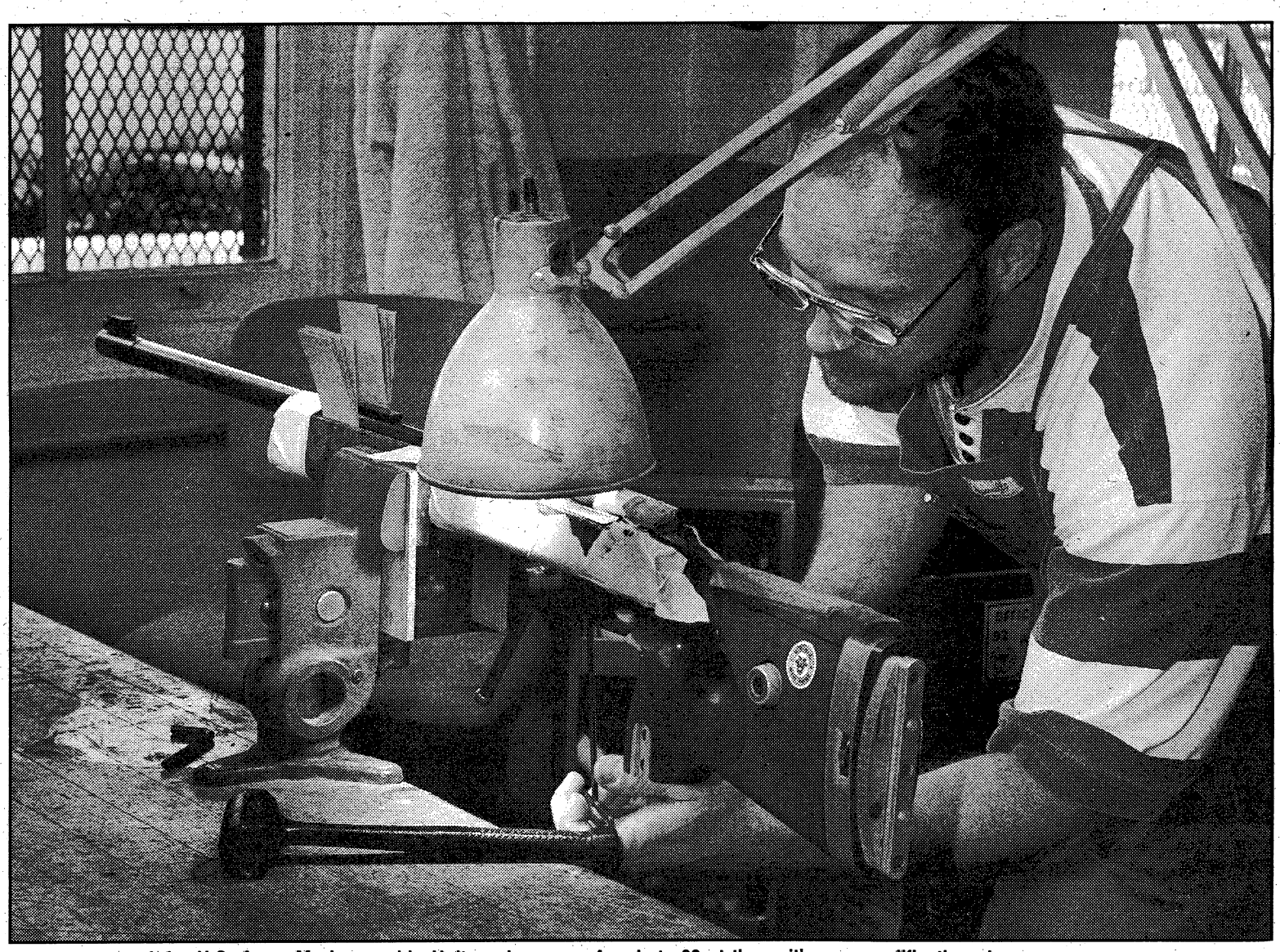
The 23 gunsmiths don't aim the guns or pull the triggers in competition. But they are responsible for the alignment of the sights, the sensitivity of the triggers, and — to some extent — the accuracy of the shots.

The workmanship in the weapons makes a difference, and the gunsmiths consider it their job to provide shooters with the best equipment possible.

"They're the ones who make our guns shoot as good as they do," said Capt. Mike Anti, an AMU rifle shooter who competed in the 1992 Olympic Games in Barcelona.

"Second place means you're the best loser there," said Bill Snow, chief of the shop's pistol section. "I don't like to see my shooters settle for second place. We're all on the same team." And if he has anything to do with it, he's going to do his best to see that the shooters take top honors.

"We're more like the pit crew at the Indianapolis 500. We provide a service to the competitors," said Harden, who has worked full-time at the shop for 26 years. For eight years before that, Harden divided his time between working in the shop and competing as a shooter on the service rifle team.



Richard Hopp of the U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit works on an Anschutz 22 at the unit's gun modification shop.

Spc. Damien Sheri Gellman is one of only two female gunsmiths at Fort Benning.

Photos by Joe Maher

In tailoring the weapons to the members of the unit's six competitive shooting teams, the gunsmiths and machinists don't merely reassemble the weapons with different components. They build the components themselves.

For example, a solid rectangular length of stainless steel, once taken into a machinist's hands, is rounded off, hollowed out and transformed into a rifle barrel in a process that requires two days' time.

"If you mess up, you've got a good goat stake," Harden said.

In his aim for precision, chief machinist Marvin Aldrich even builds some of his own tools with which to work on the barrels. He's built a gauge that measures to the 1/10,000th of an inch the amount of space a particular bullet needs in a chamber, as well as a tool to take apart the bolt of a Remington rifle.

But Aldrich holds no patents for his tools, some of which have been copied and sold commercially. "Everything built in this shop belongs to Uncle Sam," he said.

Sometimes, though, a gun doesn't need to be rebuilt from the serial number up. It may just need a repair, a new part or an adjustment. But whatever is done to a weapon is logged in a ledger. Thus, the shop has a written history on every gun that includes who built the gun, when and how it's been modified or repaired and by whom, and even what condition the gun was in when it came back to the shop for work, Harden said.

The gunsmiths' tasks, though,

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Gunsmiths are the unsung heroes

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are a labor of love.

"It's something I dearly love," Harden said of gunsmithing, and added, "I'd . . . rather do anything with a gun than anything *else.*"

"Guns are a disease," said Spc. Damien Sheri Gellman, one of two female gunsmiths in the shop. She started learning about guns in order to take care of one she bought for self-protection. But she found working on guns so interesting she abandoned other career plans to become a gunsmith.

Gellman is one of several shop gunsmiths — including Pfc. Simon Reynolds and Sgt. Charlie Gartland — who are graduates of the Colorado School of Trades, which teaches gunsmithing.

The Colorado School of Trades is one of six schools — including the Army's own course at the Aberdeen Proving Ground in Maryland — from which Harden recruits gunsmiths.

The efforts of the gunsmiths don't just benefit the shooters on the AMU teams. Research and development done within the 4,800-square-foot-shop behind the National Infantry Museum leads to improvements to service weapons issued to soldiers Army-wide.

Being a gunsmith requires not only an ability to machine metal, but also to work wood — or Fiberglass or whatever — to make the stock of the gun.

Within the custom gun section, gunsmiths work at fitting the gun to its shooter. That's crucial for getting maximum accuracy, said Clyde Malphus, chief of the section.

Gunsmiths check the position in which a shooter holds the gun, consider the length of his or her neck and arms and even factor in the size of the shooter's chest, he said, when building a stock to fit a shooter.

And from Fiberglass or Kevlar-fiber rosin or walnut wood, they fashion a stock, a process that can take an entire 40-hour work week to complete.

But accuracy is not achieved just by fitting gun to shooter or weapon. The ammunition makes a difference, too. In the loading room, shop employees make 200,000 rounds of custom ammunition — "one round at a time."

Before gun or ammunition makes it into competition, though, it is sent to Phillips Range, where weapons and ammunition tester Gene Clark locks a gun into a vise and fires down range to assess the precision of the assembly, as well as the compatibility of ammunition to the weapon.

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The M-24 sniper system currently in use is a creation of the Custom Firearms shop, Harden said. Installing a bolt action on an M-21 rifle made it "half again as accurate," he said, and resulted in the adoption of that system about four or five years ago.

And the shop routinely shares what it learns about weapons improvements with Army materiel and ballistics officials as well as with representatives of the other branches of service, the National Guard and the Reserves, Harden said. They often meet informally when their paths cross at inter-service matches. In addition, about once a year, they meet at official seminars, such as the one the AMU will host later this month to plan what modifications the M-16 rifle and M-9 pistol may need.

But they're all just aiming to keep the Army's soldiers on target.

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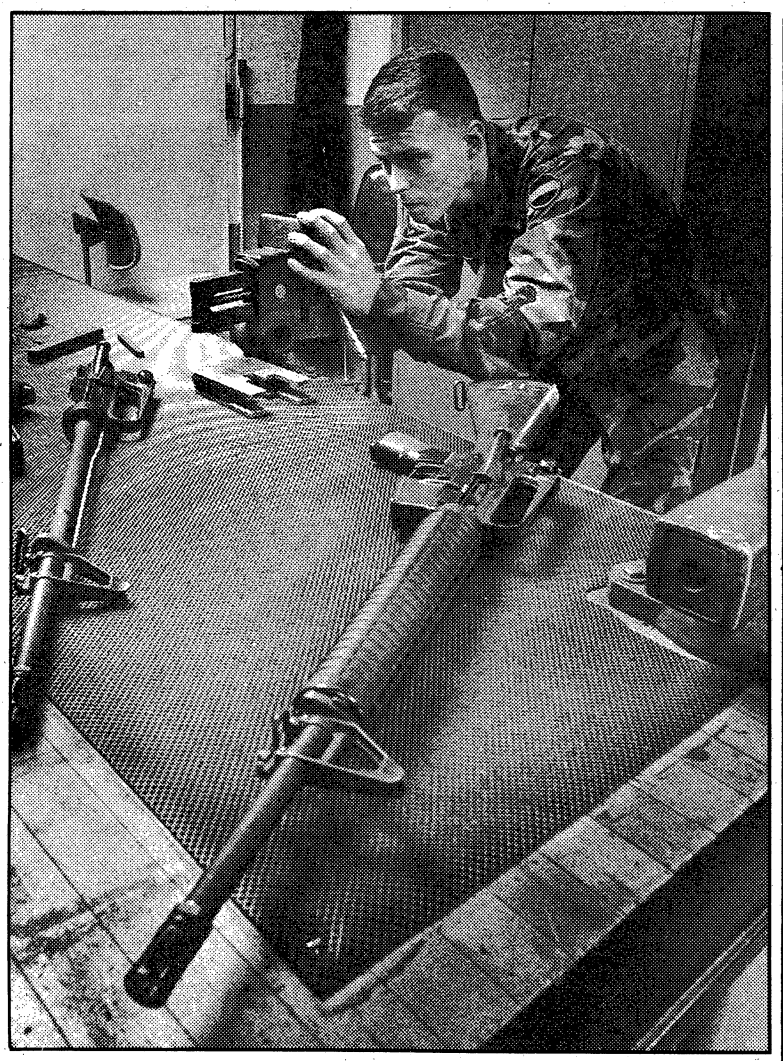
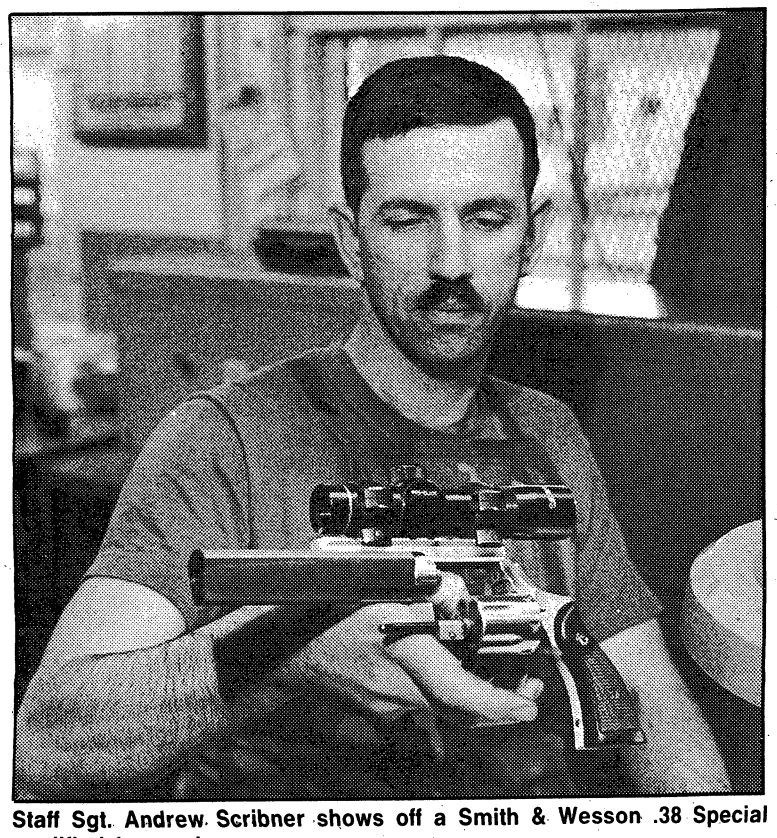
Sgt. Lance Hopper, left, and Gene Clark check out a weapon on the testing range at the U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit.



Sgt. David Sheely makes an adjustment on an M16-A2 rifle.



Staff Sgt. Andrew Scribner shows off a Smith & Wesson .38 Special modified for marksmen.

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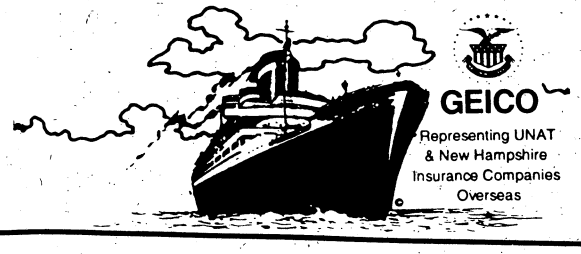

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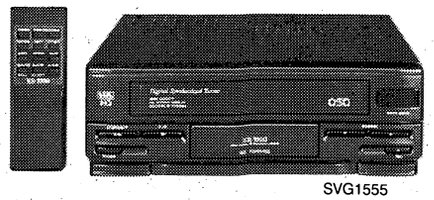

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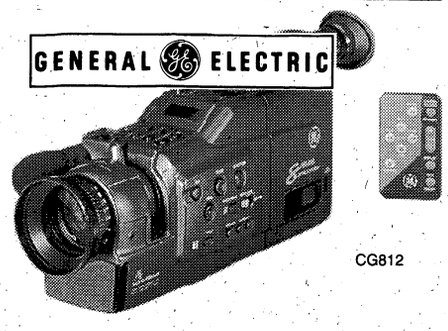

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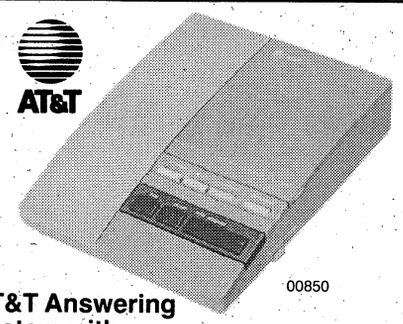

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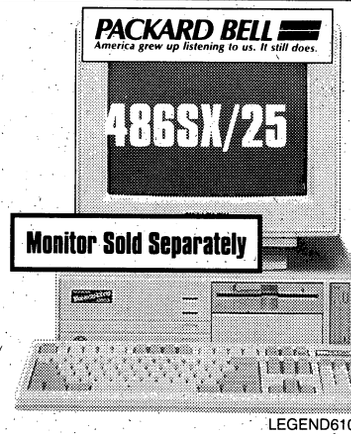

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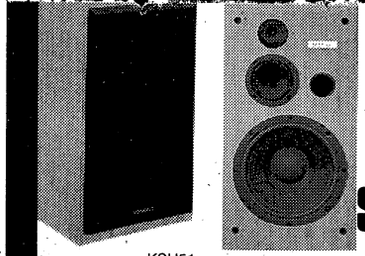

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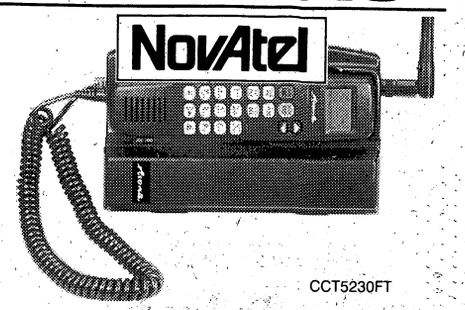

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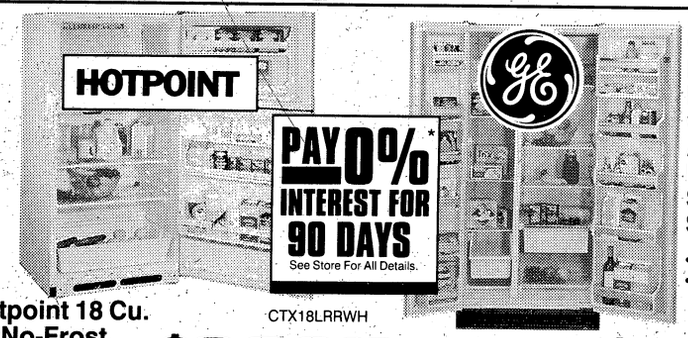

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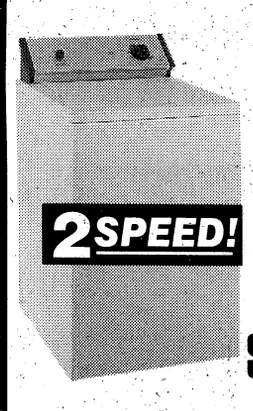

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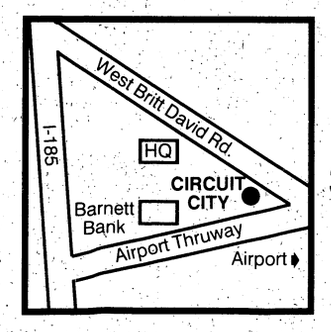

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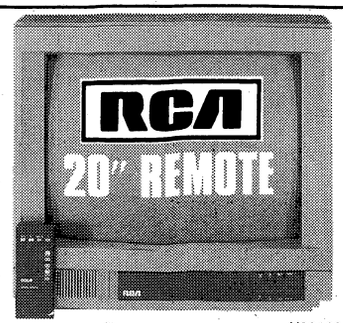

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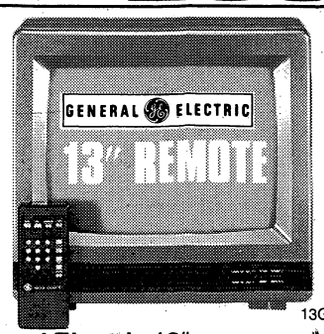

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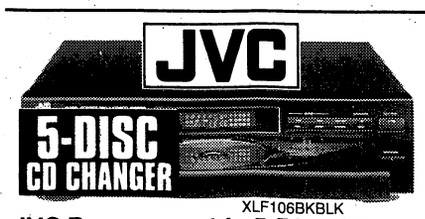

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WORLD

Deployment should not hurt economy, local professor says

By Demetrius Patterson
Staff Writer

Columbus-area retailers will not face havoc in the local economy due to Fort Benning soldiers' deployment to Somalia, said Michael Daniels, professor of economics at the Abbott Turner School of Business at Columbus College.

Recent memories of Operation Desert Storm have some concerned about a negative impact on the economy with the deployment of Fort Benning soldiers, Daniels said.

"It won't be as severe as Desert Storm by any stretch of the imagination," said professor Michael Daniels. "Everybody views this as a short-term commitment."

"It won't be as severe as Desert Storm by any stretch of the imagination," Daniels said. "And that's mainly for several reasons. Everybody views this as a short-term commitment."

Besides the fact that the Somalia operation is thought of as a short-term military operation, Daniels said there are other factors that are different with the deployment. One factor is the time of year Fort Benning soldiers are deployed.

Expecting deployment sometime after Christmas and the first of the new year, Fort Benning soldiers could not leave at a better time, economy-wise that is, Daniels said. He said the period after Christmas tends to be a slow-down for the economy every year.

Also, families of the soldiers are not expected to leave and return home while their spouses are serving in Somalia, like many families did during Desert Storm, Daniels said.

And most importantly, Daniels said the deployment of soldiers is not the same as losing jobs in the local economy.

"Losing a thousand soldiers is not the same as losing a thousand jobs," Daniels said. "When people lose their jobs, there is no income."

During the Persian Gulf War, taxable sales for the Columbus Metropolitan Statistical Area were down 8.1 percent in the first quarter of 1991 compared to the same period in 1990, according to a University of Georgia study.

Jeffrey M. Humphreys, director of economic forecasting for the university, said that period of time was the worst in Georgia since the 1973-75 oil-shock recession.

Daniels added that vacancies in the Columbus area also shot up during the Persian Gulf War. No specific numbers were available on exactly how many vacancies there were in Columbus.

"Desert Storm is recent memory, and there is a fear that what happened then can happen again," Daniels said of current concern about the troops deployment.

Associated Press

Sgt. 1st Class Norman Harris of Fayetteville, N.C., directs two Somali refugee women away from a desert air strip in Belet Huen Monday.

Equipment is on way to Somalia

From staff, wire reports

The first Fort Benning presence is being felt in the relief mission in Somalia.

Late last week, a U.S. Navy ship carrying military equipment and a handful of soldiers from the post set sail for small east African nation to help with the American-led relief effort, Benning officials confirmed.

The ship, The Bellatrix, left Savannah on Friday and contains equipment belonging to the 110th Quartermaster Company, based at Hunter Army Airfield and the 226th Supply and Services Company, based at Fort Stewart, as well as the Fort Benning-based 43rd Engineer Battalion.

Equipment loaded aboard the 950-foot ship includes Humvees, the all-purpose vehicle widely used by the armed forces, and construction cranes. The ship also is carrying nine soldiers, some from Fort Benning, who volunteered to accompany equipment to Somalia, Fort Benning spokesman Al Blanchard said.

Members of the Fort Benning engineer battalion have been on alert but still have not received specific travel dates, Blanchard added.

"There are lots of factors working here," he said. "Apparently the port facilities there are overloaded. It wouldn't do any good to get troops there before the equipment can be unloaded."

Meanwhile, 670 soldiers of the 92nd Engineer Battalion remained on alert for deployment, said Army Sgt. 1st Class Grant Ardell of Fort Stewart. However, the 92nd's equipment remained at the port, according to Fort Stewart officials.

Staff writer Eileen Zaffiro contributed to this report.

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Disarmament is a delicate issue in Somalia

From wire reports

MOGADISHU, Somalia — It's the subject nobody likes to discuss, the question with no easy answer, and the most frustrating riddle of Operation Restore Hope. Disarmament is becoming the dreaded "d" word as relief workers, U.S. troops and Somalis argue over what it means.

To Gemmo Lodesani, deputy director of operations for the U.N. World Food Program, it means dodging the killers, thieves and hijackers of Mogadishu without the protection of armed Somali guards.

To Somalis, it means stashing guns under car seats or in closets and watching the prices at the gun market plummet.

To the U.S.-led military coalition trying to make the country safe for famine relief work, it means seizing the gun-mounted pickups — known as technicals — and any other weapons that stand in their way.

On Tuesday, the coalition flooded Mogadishu with 100,000 leaflets warning that heavily armed vehicles, automatic rifles, machine guns and mortars "will not be tolerated." It said anyone pointing a gun at a member of the force "will be shot."

"Our goal is to get the gunmen off the streets and get the technicals off the streets. In areas we control, any open display of weapons we'll . . . treat as hostile," U.S. Marine Col. Fred Peck told reporters Monday.

But there are exceptions.

A Marine convoy heading to Mogadishu from Baidoa, 120 miles west, this week passed several technicals along the highway and didn't stop them. Peck said it would have slowed the convoy too much to seize every technical spotted.

At the same time in the capital, Marines were seizing vehicles with empty gun mounts. Peck said unarmed technicals are targets because they can easily be converted back into lethal weapons.

Since the start of Operation Restore Hope on Dec. 9, U.S. officials have acknowledged the futility of trying to demilitarize a nation steeped in guns with neither police nor a government.

U.S. special envoy Robert Oakley called disarmament "naive," and Gen. Robert Johnston, commander of the U.S. forces in Somalia, suggested some well-disciplined militias could be integrated into a regular security force.

The military says the policy from the start has been to secure famine relief areas, not to act as a police force or to remove every weapon.

Relief agencies say there's no question the foreign military presence has enhanced their ability to distribute food, but the problem of protecting Somalia once the visible weapons are seized is being dodged.

They also complain that aid workers themselves are more vulnerable to attack because they can no longer travel with AK-47s poking out their car windows.

"I'm scared now — more scared than before," said Lodesani, who was ambushed by two men firing automatic weapons Sunday night as he drove unarmed away from his office.

Lodesani scrambled out of the Land Cruiser and fled into a nearby tea shop, where he was confronted by a man with a long knife who stole his watch and wallet as the gunmen drove off in his car.

"Somebody's got to confront the issue," said Cynthia Osterman, a spokeswoman for CARE International. "If guns are under the floorboards, in the closet, and under the seats, the risk remains this place will fall back into anarchy."

Like most aid agencies, CARE stopped traveling with armed guards after the Marines' arrival and quickly lost a vehicle to armed hijackers. On Monday, another CARE vehicle was hijacked and a Somali guard inside was shot dead.

He had a gun, but it was concealed in accordance with U.S. policy against displaying weapons.

Lodesani said he'd like to see troops offering guard services until things become more secure, but military officials say they will never eliminate the basic cause of the problem — lawlessness.

"If you take away their guns, (bandits and thugs) going to find some other way to intimidate the public," said Marine Lt. Col. Ron Stokes.

Somalis buzzing over Bush's visit

From wire reports

MOGADISHU, Somalia — If President Bush happened to rub elbows with some ordinary Somali citizens during his scheduled visit to the capital on Thursday, odds are good he got an earful from somebody like Ahmed Abdullah Hussein.

"We need jobs, schools open, electricity, communications so we can telephone New York for business," said Hussein, 42, who said he worked at the Mogadishu seaport.

BUSH

Bush's tightly controlled visit was unlikely to allow such exchanges, but the fact that he was coming was the talk of the town. Some people are expecting a pocketful of miracles to pull Somalia out of misery and lawlessness.

"Bush is the president of Somalia now," said Mohammed Abdi Farah, 25, who said he was a former clothing salesman.

Bush, who ordered U.S. troops into Somalia to protect aid deliveries to its starving people, has resisted U.N. pressure for Washington to expand its mandate to include disarming the heavily armed, lawless nation and helping rebuild its shattered society.

About the only people who aren't either expectant or happy about the Bush visit are the bandits largely forced underground in the towns where U.S.-led troops have set up positions, said Hussen Ali Omar, 21, a math teacher.

"The gun holders don't like him," he said as he walked through a marketplace on a typically sweltering day. "Not only Bush, but all the Marines. If the Marines weren't here the bandits could come and take food and kill people."

He said a man on the bus grabbed a newsmagazine with the headline "Welcome Bush" and ripped it to pieces. Omar, however, was overjoyed about the visit by a U.S. president to Somalia, and to Africa in general.

"The world is talking about Somalia now," he said. "Somali people are optimists. Bush is trying to help the Somali people."

Less happy was Abdi Rahman, 21. "Tell Bush to give me back my trucks," he said.

Rahman said the U.S. Marines confiscated his two trucks because they had gun mounts. Marines have been confiscating guns they see openly and recently began seizing trucks with mounts, to which guns can easily be fitted.

Asked why he had guns mounted on his trucks, Rahman said: "To protect myself from bandits." A group of his friends laughed.

But university history teacher Abdi Shouaib, 34, said Bush is welcome only if he gets the guns out of Somalia.

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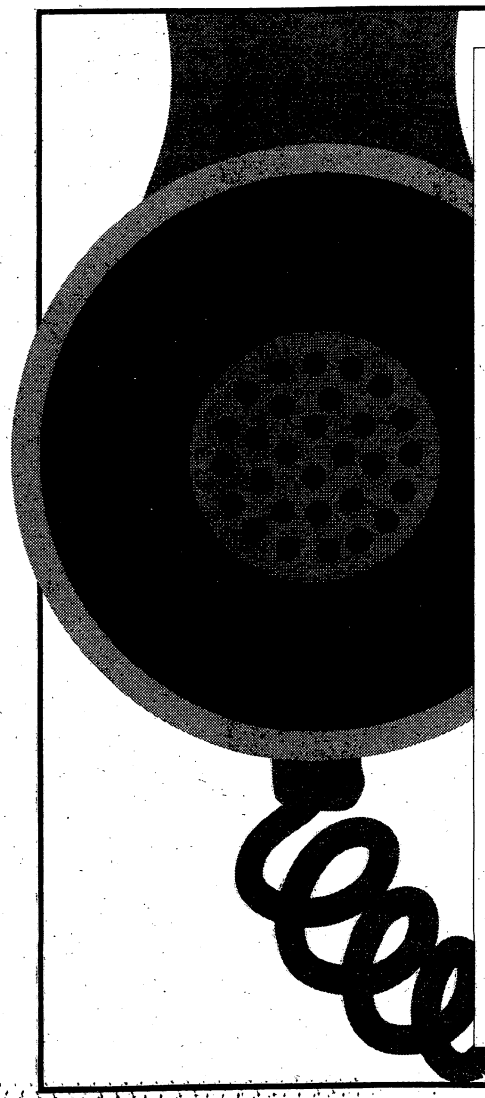

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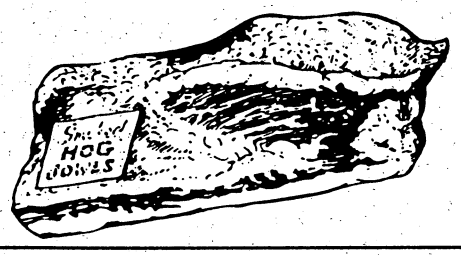

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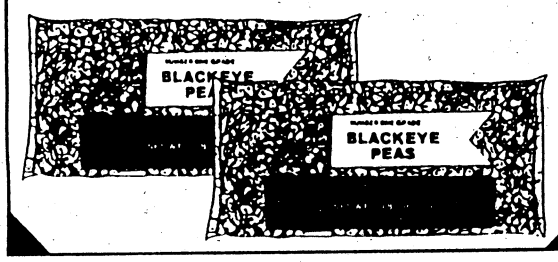

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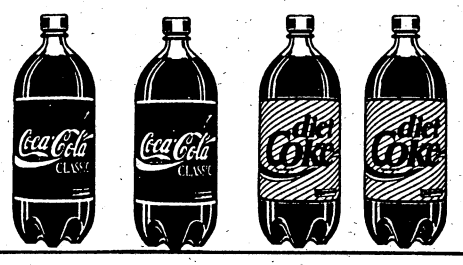

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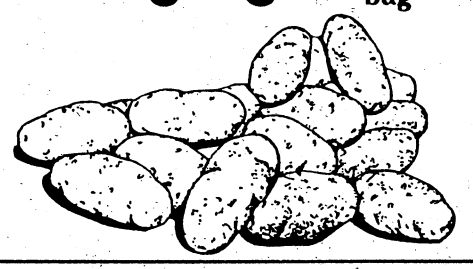

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DEFENSE

Bush warns Serbs to leave Kosovo alone

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The State Department expressed deep concern Monday about Serbian repression in a region dominated by Albanians and said it would take very seriously any destabilizing acts by Serbs in that area.

The statement followed a private warning by President Bush to Serbian leaders that the United States would be prepared to use military force to head off Serbian aggression into the Kosovo region.

Bush's letter to Serbian President Slobodan Milosevic and Gen. Zivota Panic, Yugoslavia's military chief of staff, was sent last week, said a source in Geneva close to the Yugoslav government.

State Department press officer Joe Snyder acknowledged deep U.S. concern about the situation and said American views are widely shared in the international community.

"We're watching and will continue to watch Serb actions in Kosovo carefully. There should be no doubt that the United States would take very seriously destabilizing acts by Serbia in Kosovo," he said.

The New York Times in its Monday editions quoted the Bush letter as saying: "In the event of conflict in Kosovo caused by Serbian action, the United States will be prepared to employ military force against the Serbs in Kosovo and in Serbia proper."

It also said the United States was prepared to use force against Serbian planes if the U.N. Security Council passes a resolution to enforce a ban on Serbian warplane flights over Bosnia.

U.S. force could be used to protect U.N. troops in Bosnia-Herzegovina and to ensure the delivery of humanitarian relief in Bosnia, the letter said.

Britain and France have been reluctant to endorse a resolution authorizing the use of force to enforce the no-fly zone resolution because both countries have troops in Bosnia assisting with the relief effort.

The two countries are concerned these troops could be the target of Serbian reprisals if the resolution were enforced with military strikes on offending aircraft.

In 1989, Serbia stripped Kosovo of the autonomy it had been granted under the Yugoslav constitution. Since then the Albanian population of Kosovo, about 90 percent of the total, has been systematically denied even the most elemental human rights.

A NATO communique signed on Dec. 17 called for an immediate start on negotiations to restore autonomy to Kosovo.

"An explosion of violence in Kosovo could, by spreading the conflict, constitute a serious threat to international peace and security and would require an appropriate response by the international community," the communique said.

Kosovo is a region of great historical importance to the Serbs. With much of Bosnia in ruins, Kosovo is seen as the next potential Balkan flash point because of continuing tensions there.

Study criticizes training of Reservists

From wire reports

WASHINGTON — The military reserves will be crucial participants in any future war, and the Army must do a better job seeing that they are trained and ready for action, according to a study ordered by Congress.

The 336-page Rand Corp. study, commissioned by the Pentagon at the behest of Congress, stresses the importance of the reserves and National Guard at a time when both active and reserve forces face substantial post-Cold War reductions.

Rand, a private think tank based in Santa Monica, Calif., also says in the report now being distributed to lawmakers that while the other services have generally done well in integrating reserve components, the Army has maintained adversarial relationships with its reservists.

Rivalry between the Army and the Army National Guard "is worse today than it's ever been, because the force structure is being reduced," said project direct Bernard D. Rostker.

The report said the debate over cost-effectiveness has "pitted the active Army and the Army National Guard against each other, in a kind of zero-sum game of 'I win, you lose.'"

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Among its recommendations for improving the quality of the reserves were more direct involvement of the active Army in reserve training and measures such as a "reserve draft" that would induce more active duty officers and enlisted personnel to join the reserves later.

It also urged that some reserve combat units be integrated with active forces at the smaller company or battalion level rather than at the larger brigade level, as now.

More than 100,000 reserves and National Guard troops were sent to the Persian Gulf during the war against Iraq, and support troops performed flawlessly. But the Army National Guard drew fire when three of its combat brigades never left the United States after months of training exercises.

Rand estimated that it takes 128 days for such "roundout" units to reach a combat-ready level. "The Naval reserve is not expected to undertake independent fleet operations. ... In contrast, the Army National Guard has traditionally been organized as fully formed brigades and divisions. They are expected to function fully in that capacity and be responsible for all operations in their appointed combat sectors."

With the current active force of 2 million scheduled to be cut to 1.6 million by 1997, the reserves are essential to maintaining the capacity to deal with two international crises at the same time, the report said.

"In the future, we will not have the capability to deploy forces to a second contingency unless we take deliberate steps to restock our military capability by calling up reserve combat forces as soon as active units are deployed to a combat theater."

The report did not recommend troop levels, but offered one scenario that put Army reserve and National Guard numbers at 679,000 in fiscal 1995, rather than the 542,000 now envisioned. It also suggested 34,000 combat support jobs be switched from active to reserve forces.

That's likely to be received warmly in Congress, where support for the reserves — an important source of income in some communities — is strong and there has been opposition to Pentagon plans to cut total reserve forces by 21 percent in 1997 from the 1987 level of 1.2 million.

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RELIGION

Travelers open up to airport chaplains

By George Cornell
Associated Press

On the move, among strangers, in unfamiliar circumstances, people are somehow different than on their home turf. So says a veteran airport chaplain, who finds that travelers seem especially candid about their lives.

"It opens people up," said the Rev. John Jamnicky, chaplain at O'Hare International Airport in Chicago and president of the International Association of Civil Aviation Chaplains. "It's a kind of grace moment."

This holiday period is a particularly busy time for the world's 120 airport chaplains, including about 40 of them in the United States. Between Dec. 23 and Jan. 4, an estimated 23 million people move through U.S. airports.

That is about 47 percent more than for such average periods.

Jamnicky said travelers turn to airport chaplains for a variety of reasons, often in connection with some family tragedy, a death or illness, or personal problems, such as changed employment.

"We try to give them strength, support and encouragement in a time of difficulty," Jamnicky said. "We try to be with them."

However, most airline travelers are on vacations, honeymoons or business trips, he said. "Away from their common surroundings and routine, they often take advantage of their extra time to spend a little of it with the Lord."

That may be in a regular chapel service, prayer or counseling.

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A "ministry of the moment," Jamnicky calls it, noting that people dealt with are known only briefly. But he said those airport interludes often are "moments of healing."

"Some are very significant moments that become the focus of a whole life. There's something unraveling about being in a strange place, all alone. People are different than when in their normal environment.

"An airport is a strange place. People let down their guard and take a look at who they really are in that moment." In that unusual situation, he said they tend to face their problems more honestly and clearly.

He mentioned an episode the previous day involving a West Coast woman who had left her husband without telling him she was leaving and was headed to Chile. Jamnicky persuaded her to at least telephone him of her intentions.

However, after their telephone conversation, she decided to head back home, and Jamnicky had to help rescue her luggage from Chile-bound airliner on which she was booked.

"I had simply told her it was very wrong to walk out and not even speak to him about it," Jamnicky said. "He deserved at least some contact." He wasn't privy to their ensuing conversation, nor sure what changed her mind.

Jamnicky, 47, a Roman Catholic, has been in charge of the O'Hare airport chapel for 12 years. The former Air Force chaplain, has for nine years headed the airport chaplains' association, which marked its 25th anniversary in 1992.

He, like other airport chaplains, function ecumenically, helping people of any faith or none. U.S. airport chaplains include about 20 Protestants, 20 Roman Catholics and one rabbi.

The first U.S. airport chaplaincy was established in 1952 at Boston's Logan Airport, and later that same year, a chaplaincy was started at New York's then-Idlewild Field, now John F. Kennedy International Airport.

Besides servicing the traveling population, Jamnicky said major airports also have a weekend round of Catholic, Protestant, Jewish and Islamic worship services for airport personnel, run by ministers of those faiths.

For travelers, the approach is ecumenical.

The Rev. Charles Smith, a United Church of Christ minister and chaplain at the Charlotte-Douglas Airport in North Carolina, said he doesn't even bring up the subject of religion when he meets travelers.

"I just encourage people," he said. "If they want a prayer, that's fine, if prayer is helpful. Sometimes we do nothing more than touch."

The Rev. Jane Locke, a Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) minister and part-time chaplain at Dallas-Fort Worth Airport, said that if she sees "someone who looks like they're stressed, I go over and spend a little time talking with them.

"They are individuals you may never see again, yet whose needs you can meet in that moment."

IN BRIEF

Retreat to focus on cross cultural marriages

The Chaplain Family Life Center is offering a free retreat relating to cross cultural marriages to Asian families Jan. 29-30.

A special guest speaker, Dan Moon of Riverside, Calif., born in Seoul, Korea, is researching cultural trends, needs and strategies related to Asians in America at the Pacific Rim Asian American Institute of Missiology at California Baptist College.

The retreat will be held at the Infantry Center Chapel annex, building 101. For registration and more information, contact Chaplain (Maj.) James Rayburn at 545-1760 or 545-5301.

PARENT-CHILD SERIES: The Protestant Women of the Chapel will present a film series by Ross Campbell, M.D., Christian psychiatrist, author and lecturer on parent-child relationships.

The series will be held each Thursday from 9:30 to 11:45 a.m. Jan. 7-28 at the Religious Education Center, building 2521. Child care is provided free of charge.

For more information, call Gwen Chandler at 682-5546 or Loree Smith at 685-0809.

CONFIRMATION CLASSES: A new series of confirmation classes will begin Feb. 2 from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. and continue each Tuesday through April 6 at the Religious Education Center, building 2518.

The class will be taught by Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Roger Kappel. For registration and information, call 545-2288.

SUPPORT GROUP: An adult survivors of sexual abuse support group will begin Feb. 5 from noon until 1:30 p.m. with meetings every Wednesday through April 14 at the Chaplains Family Life Center, Soldier's Plaza, building 2606.

For more information, contact Chaplain (Maj.) James Rayburn at 545-1760.

MEGASKILLS: The Chaplains Family Life Center and Columbus College present workshops for today's parents and their children, teaching parents to educate their children. The workshops will begin in January at the Chaplains Family Life Center.

For more information, call Chaplain (Maj.) James Rayburn at 545-1760.

PARENTING CLASSES: A free workshop based on Systematic Training for Effective Parenting (STEP) will be presented every Tuesday from noon until 1:30 p.m. for seven weeks beginning Jan. 19 at the Chaplains Family Life Center, building 2606.

For information or registration, call 545-1760.

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5 Lines 1 Week $2.75

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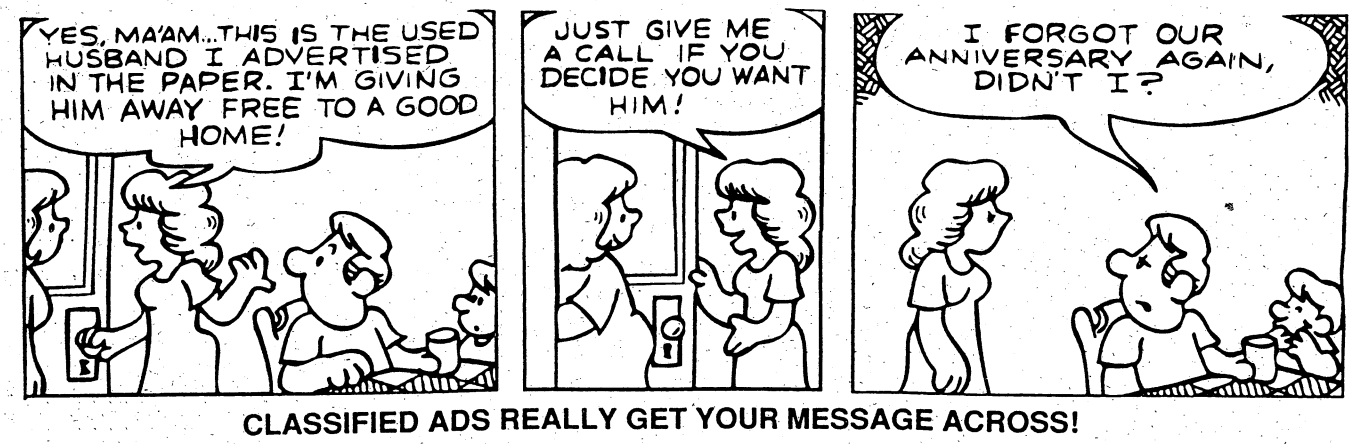

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All Cycle Heavy Duty washer & dryer, like new, $125. ea. 6 mo warranty. Free delivery. Call 682-4908

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FIREWOOD, 120PC., delivered & stacked. $45. **Walls Nursery, 568-0463.**

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90,000 volts! Only $29.90 Free Info. & Brochure Call 596-9901, Charles 10:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.

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BLACK LACQUER Bedroom Suite, queen size bed w/2 nightstand, lighted headboard, like new, $550, orig. $1000. 569-6108

German Bedroom Suite, includes bed, wall unit, desk, Chiffer robe, $250; queen sz water bed, $250; call 689-8239

Glass front wooden, gun cabinet, holds 11 guns, nice, $200. 327-1983 lv msg.

Twin Bed complete with mattress, headboard & box springs, $65; Lighted computer locking desk, $80. Call 561-2224 lv. msg

SPORTS EQUIP. & SUPPLIES 064

Ryder Cup Golf Clubs: 2-pw, 4 woods, exc. cond., new grips, $225. Call 682-0557

WILSON STAFFS Dynamic Gold 22 Pitching wedge, exc. cond., $250. 324-3143

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Cellular Phone Motorola 750 hand held w/additional car adapter, high gain antenna & case. $200/best offer. Call 563-8863.

Magnavox Color Console TV, good cond., 19 inch, $200/offer; baby carseat, good cond., $30. Call 561-6329

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D. REDDING MUSIC
Beallwood Conn./50th St. Crate G60 amp, $250. Hohner Les Paul, $450. **596-1260**

Marshall Amplifier, studio 15 model tube amp, good cond. $350. Call 324-0608

Yamaha classical guitar, $245. Call 569-9141

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CASH FOR GOOD USED UNWANTED ITEMS
TVs, Stereos, Baby Beds, furniture. We also have adult gag gifts. Waters Junk, 929 Ft. Benning Rd. 687-6761. Cash paid.

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100 PETS, FARM & GARDEN

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AKC DALMATIANS, Call Gene Connell after 7 p.m. 912-336-0959 Sale City, GA.

AKC GERMAN SHEPHERD pups, 1st shots. Call 912-838-6317

AKC PEKINGESE PUPPIES 6wks, wormed, $150/cash. Call 855-2203, lv. msg.

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Offering the most extensive obedience program for your pet in your home or thru group classes.
In Business Since 1977
563-6568

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YORKIE PUPPIES
Ready by Christmas. $300. 323-0951/327-9537

YORKIE PUPPIES
AKC, very small, males. 323-0951/327-9537

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HAVE YOU LOST YOUR PET? Please contact the Muscogee County Humane Society at 7133 Sacerdote Lane, off Schatulga Road, 706-563-4929 or the Russell County Humane Society at 205-298-0080.

YOU CAN HELP SAVE A PET
Call our 24-hour hotline for lost & found pets. 576-6009.

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The Columbus Ledger-Enquirer is proud to offer the **FREE COLUMN** as a valuable service to our customers. In addition to placing your **FREE COLUMN** ad, we recommend that you contact The Muscogee Co. or Russell Co. Humane Societies for important safety precautions you may wish to consider when finding a home for your pet. To find out more about what you can do to protect your animal, call your local Humane Society at 298-0080 (Russell Co.) or 563-3647 (Muscogee Co.)

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Please include your:

Name_____

Address_____

City_____ **State**_____ **Zip**_____

Home Phone_____ **Daytime Phone**_____

Mail to:
The Benning Leader
Free Fifty Ads
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PRINT YOUR MESSAGE HERE-ONE LETTER OR SPACE PER BLOCK

Approximately
1 line
2 lines
3 lines

Please leave A Blank Space Between All Words And Prices. Please include your phone number.

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322-4500

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experience - exp.
technician - tech.
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references - ref.
required - req.
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Equal Employment Opportunity - EEO
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experienced - exp.
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CONSTRUCTION WORKERS needed for relocation, all skills. 1-800-362-6607.

JOB LISTINGS/ DIRECTORIES 215

Cruise Ship Jobs. To $900/wk. Free room/board. Will train. 1-407-578-8111 EXT 121.

HELP WANTED GENERAL 216

Airline

SERVE WITH OUR SECURITY FORCES

in an unstable European area. Military format. Prefer formal Rangers, Marines, Army. USCMJ Rules. Good pay & benefits. S.A.S.E. Only.

Mark Tate, Commander
P.O. Box 205
Manchester, GA 31816

EASTERN/AIR ATLANTA

HELP WANTED GENERAL 216

AGENTS/TRACERS
$40,000 potential. FT/PT. Own hrs. Will train. Processing mortgage refunds. Work locally. 1-800-489-4832. 24hrs

AVON No door-to-door sales necessary! Local 563-5005; other areas 1-800-338-5870

A BETTER JOB...
... is available to people who can read. If you know someone whose job potential is limited because he can't read, tell him that reading help is free, confidential and available. The Columbus number to call is 404-682-2662; elsewhere, call 1-800-228-8813.

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No stuffed shirts, no ties! Atlanta based company has openings for enthusiastic people to work in an outgoing environment. Travel major cities and resort areas. Transportation and accomodations furnished. Return trip guaranteed. 2 weeks expense paid training. If you are 18 or over and free to travel, call Mr. Subia, 322-2522, 10am-6pm for interview. Call now! Start today!

Parents welcome at interview.

To Advertise In The Ledger-Enquirer Classified Call 322-4500

Easy Work! Excellent Pay!
Assemble products at home. Call Toll Free. 1-800-873-6365. Ext. 1364.

MEDICAL DENTAL 220

EXPERIENCED X-RAY TECH
for mobile service in Columbus area. Call 1-800-264-XRAY.

PART-TIME DENTAL HYGIENIST

for progressive preventive practice. Send resume to: 101-A New Franklin Rd., LaGrange, GA 30240 or call 706-884-2457.

POSITIONS AVAILABLE IMMEDIATELY

MT & MLT's, excellent benefits, competitive salaries. Apply to: Box 214 c/o Ledger Enquirer, P. O. Box 711, Columbus, GA. 31902-0711.

SALES 226

WORK PART OR FULL TIME FROM HOME FLEXIBLE HOURS.
Need disciplined, outgoing self starter who works well with little supervision and wants to be paid well. Position is sales representative in Columbus selling successful coupon book fundraising program to church groups, schools, civic clubs and youth leagues. Good transportation required. **Call 682-7283, ext. 72.**

CHILD CARE WANTED 229

CHILDCARE/ALL Housekeeping, Mon-Fri., 7:30-12:30, $100/wk, trans. necessary. 323-3506

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ACT NOW

RETIRE EARLY by distributing the most successful product line since Leggs Panty Hose. Service Pre-established accounts w/o selling and collect big profits. $5000 min. investment.

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DEBT CONSOLIDATION

Combine all your debts into one affordable payment. For free information call 1-800-472-5554.

500 REAL ESTATE RENTALS

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Below you will find a listing of common rental abbreviations which you may find in our classified advertisements. We hope this will help your decision-making process.
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living room - LR
greatroom - GR
fireplace - FP
central heat/air-cent. h/a
washer/dryer - w/d connections-w/d conn.
refrigerator - fridge
available - avail.
north - N.
south - S.
Columbus - Cols.
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appliances - appl.
payments - pymts.
furnished - furn.
unfurnished - unf.
references - ref.
required - req.

FURNISHED APTS. GA 518

WYNNTON AREA, nicely furnished 3 rooms. No pets. Call 327-5881

UNFURNISHED APTS. GA 520

CAMELLIA APARTMENTS
689-0370

GREAT DEALS!!

Luxury 2BR, w/d conn., cable plus, microwave, and other extras.

Call Lisa or Gisela:
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TRAFFIC GARDENS
1600 Ft. Benning Road
1 & 2 BR, plus townhouses. $215 to $245. Remodeled, new carpet, cable tv., burglar doors, 689-1425.

DUPLEXES 523

SMITHS-Executive Duplex, new, luxurious 2BR, 1BA, no pets. $450mo. 297-3566

UNFURNISHED HOUSES GA 526

NORTH COLS. 3BR, 2BA, cent. h/a, carport, fenced yard, $595mo. 571-3114

NORTH: 3BR brick, 1½BA, cent. h/a, range, fridge, new paint & carpet, fenced. 6113 Potomac Cr. $525mo. 327-3618.

N. Cols. 3BR, 1½BA, carport, storage room, fenced yard, near I-185 entrance, cent. h/a, $500mo. 327-3875

3 BEDROOMS, 1 bath, fenced yard, immediate occupancy. $450/month. **HERITAGE HOMES 596-1339**

600 REAL ESTATE SALES

HOMES FOR SALE AL 614

HOUSE FOR SALE
3BR, 2BA, fenced yard, security system, 1610 sq. ft. Seller pays $3000 on closing. Call 298-7860

Smiths Station 3BR, 2BA, 2¾ acres, garage, ½ mi. to school. By owner. Call for appt. 855-9345

HOMES FOR SALE GA 616

ATTENTION VETERANS

Reduce your interest rate on your VA loan

- No credit fee
- No appraisal
- Automatic in-house approval
- 0 discount point
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VA owned rental property

Save $50 to $200 each month. Save $5,000 to $50,000 over life of loan.

Call for information NOW while rates are low.

Throughout AL and GA!

706-327-4544

HOMES FOR SALE GA 616

BY OWNER, 4548 Moline Ave. 3BR, cent. h/a, close to Benning. Mid $40's. 563-7122

SALE BY OWNER WYNFIELD
4BR, 3BA, GR w/FP, lg. kitch., pool, fenced yd. $159,900. Appt. 563-9701

VA REPO HOTLINE
24-Hr Recording 568-9741
HERITAGE HOMES

700 MOBILE HOMES

MOBILE HOMES FOR SALE 710

FIXER UPPER
2BR, 1BA. Best offer. 297-2584.

MOBILE HOMES FOR RENT 714

ACT NOW

HOLIDAY SPECIALS MOVE IN TODAY

DEPOSIT ONLY

Call Gisela or Lisa:
689-4873

'87s-'92's 14 wides 2&3BR, fenced, air, rent/own avail. $295-$395. 327-5551, 569-7185

USE OUR CLASSIFIEDS!

You can place a 3 line ad for

10 DAYS
for only
$30
AND WE GIVE YOU 7 MORE DAYS FREE!
Some restrictions apply
Call
322-4500

ALEX Mobile Homes & Rental Trucks, utilities on. 687-5276, 689-0226, 9-6

A HOLIDAY SPECIAL

Deposit Only Moves You In! Cozy 1 & 2BR Homes

Call Sherri or Denise:
685-1414

PHENIX CITY: 2BR, $220mo; 3BR, 1½BA, $300mo. $100dep. 571-0159

HOMES FOR SALE GA 616

MOBILE HOMES FOR RENT 714

TWO MONTHS FREE RENT!
2 & 3BR avail. Close to Post, Cols. & P.C. Also lots avail. 855-3486, 9-8.

2 & 3BR Mobile Homes & Apt. Lee & Russell Co. Day 297-5551; night 297-5535

800 RECREATIONAL VEHICLES

BOATS 810

Lone Star, 14ft, 35HP Johnson, some extras, $450. Must Sell! 989-0922 (local)

UTILITY TRAILERS 822

14x6'6", single axel, made to haul race car, $300. Call 706-663-8707

MOTORCYCLES FOR SALE 828

Archie's Harley-Davidson New & used bikes, parts, & motor clothes. 324-4294

WANTED: DEAD or ALIVE: Used Harley Davidson Motorcycles. 706-324-4294

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speed - sp
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pickup truck - p/u
horsepower - hp
miles per gallon - mpg
air conditioner - air
convertible - conv.
door - dr
engine - eng.
excellent condition-exc cond
cassette - cass.
Chevrolet - Chevy
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exterior - ext.
negotiable - neg.
cylinder - cyl.
extras - X-tras
dealer - dlr
front wheel drive - fwd
leave message - lv. msg.
factory warranty-fact. wrnty

TRUCKS 914

CHEVY C-10 '84, LWB, auto, air, $2200. Call 323-5435.

CHEVY '53, 5 window cab, 235 6cyl., 4sp., body exc., new drive shaft, mirrors, battery, headliner, glovebox, door panels, extra cab corner, extra tires, org. brush guard, extra acc.-gages, etc. 545-3885 SSG Perry, 685-1133.

FORD P/U '69 exc. cond., partially restored. Call 563-4236

Toyota Pickup '84 extra cab, 5 spd, air, SWB. Excellent condition. $4000. 687-6328

BUSES/VANS FOR SALE 922

1990 CHEVROLET Astro Ext. Van, loaded, TV, VCR, low mi. $15,900. 563-6415

Mazda MPV '92, program special, will not be here long, exc. buy! Jimmy, 563-8206, dlr

JEEPS FOR SALE 924

Suzuki Samurai '87, must see to appreciate, extra nice. Specially priced. Randy only, 563-8206, dlr

AUTOS FOR SALE 930

MARK LEVY AUTO CENTER

3rd Decade In Business
Cleanest Cars In Town

USE YOUR TAX REFUND NOW AS A DOWN PAYMENT!!

YOU DON'T HAVE TO WAIT FOR YOUR W-2

2710 MANCHESTER EXPWY.
Exit 5B off I-185 324-1818

AUTO SERVICE PARTS, ACC 926

4 Cragar Street Star rims, fits Chevy truck '73-'79, $200; Holley carburetor, 650, single pump, $75. Call 561-2084 before 2pm.

AUTOS FOR SALE 930

CAMARO RS '78, red/black, 2nd owner, exc. cond., $2000. 571-0633/327-5828.

Chrystler LeBaron '92, a/c, pw, am/fm, tilt, cruise, $12K. Call 689-1170

Ford Escort GL '87, S/W, 1 owner, local car, auto., a/c, exc. buy, $2775. Randy only, 563-8206, dlr

Ford Mustang LX '89, 5.0, w/sunroof, all options, exc. cond., $8000. 568-3275

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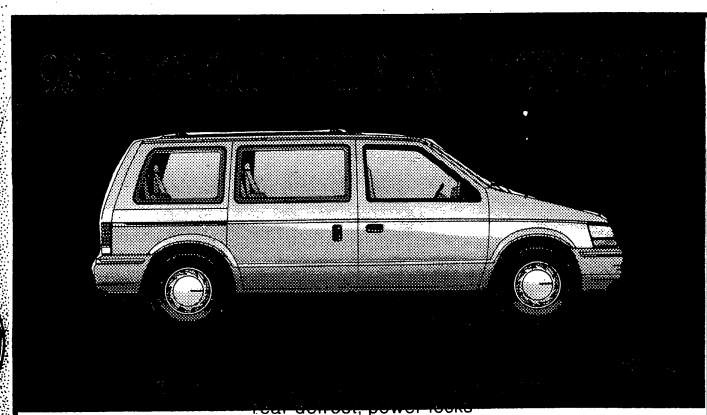

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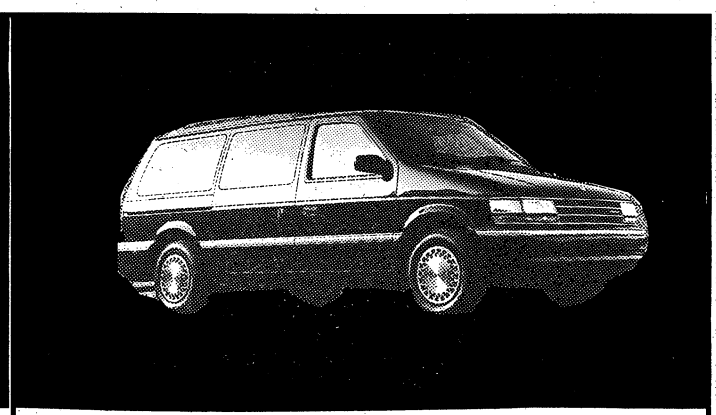

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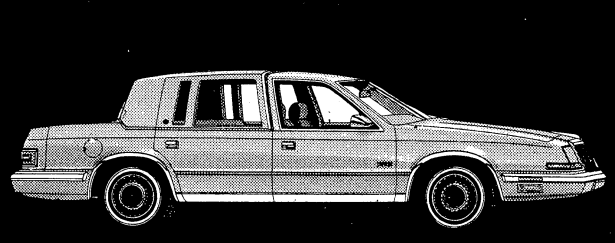

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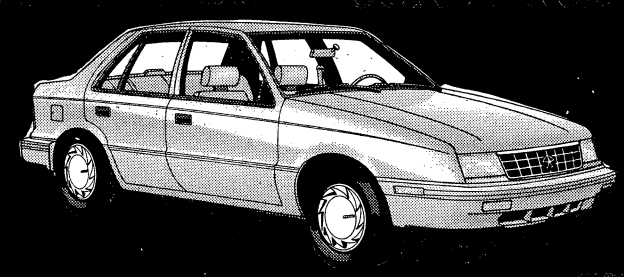

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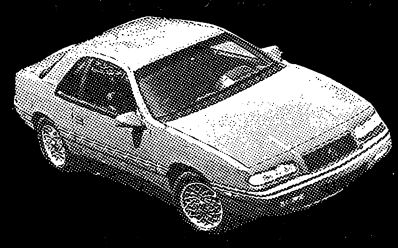

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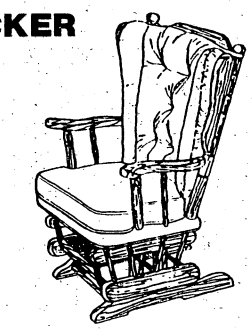

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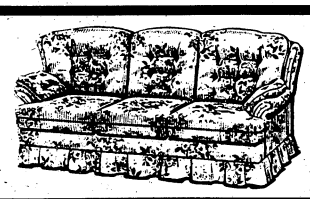

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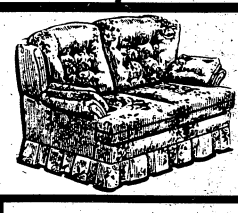

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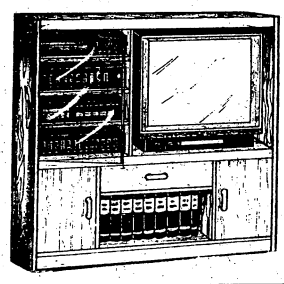

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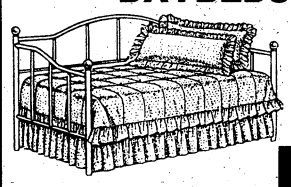

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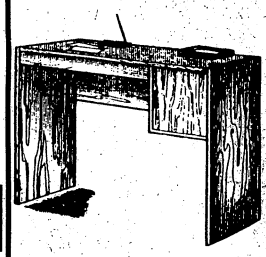

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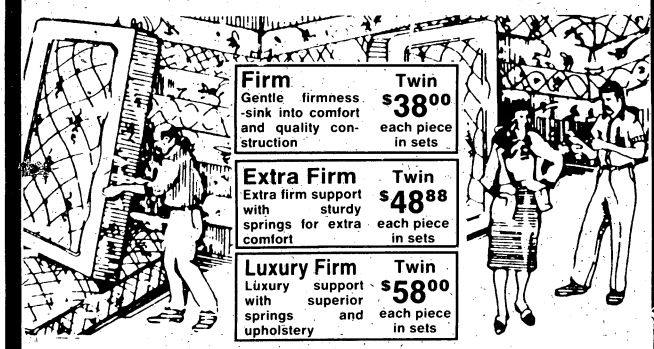

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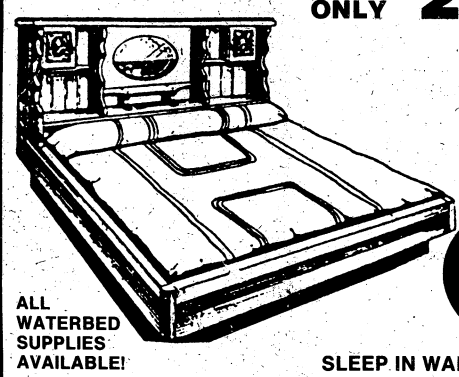

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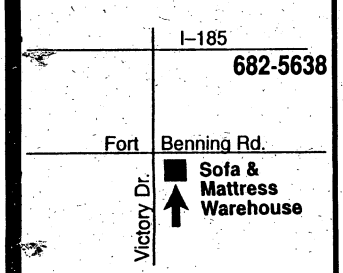

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As the only female in Fort Benning's Men's Flag Football League, Tammy White says she's not intimidated. **Page 18**

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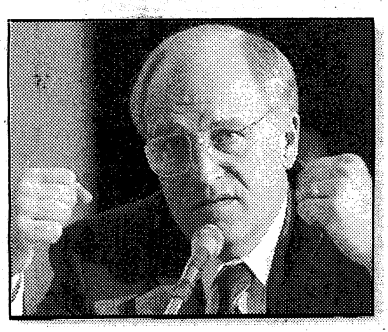

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COMMENTARY

Military brass fattens up in Somalia

MOGADISHU, Somalia — So far, Operation Restore Hope, the U.S.-led effort to feed millions of starving Somalis, does not restore much hope that the fat is going to get cut out of the American military's management overhead.

David Evans

There are nine generals and one admiral out here directing the efforts of about 21,000 U.S. and allied troops on the ground.

This number is slightly larger than one of the U.S. Army's heavy divisions, which is normally commanded by a two-star general. He is backed up by two brigadier generals — one to direct operations and the other to supervise logistics.

That's a ratio of about one general for every 6,000 troops. In this operation, the ratio is about one general for every 2,300 troops.

The Air Force draws top honors for the lowest leader-to-led ratio. Brig. Gen. Thomas Mikolajcik commands Air Force units that number around 600 people, which is about the span of control expected of an Army battalion commander, a lieutenant colonel's job.

There are two such officers in Somalia. They command the two infantry battalions committed to the operation from the Army's esteemed 10th Mountain Division. This outfit is comprised of six active duty and three National Guard battalions.

Those two battalion commanders have plenty of supervision.

Maj. Gen. Thomas Arnold, the division commander, is here in Somalia. So is Brig. Gen. Lawson Magruder, the assistant division commander for maneuver. The division chief of staff, a colonel, is on hand, along with the division operations officer, a lieutenant colonel awaiting promotion to colonel, as well as the colonel who commands the parent brigade of those two battalions.

Add it up: That's two generals, two colonels and a soon-to-be colonel over two measly battalions.

Apparently there aren't enough generals out here.

The overall commander, Marine Lt. Gen. Robert Johnston, sits atop a so-called Joint Task Force headquarters.

The J-3, or operations officer, on this staff is Marine Brig. Gen. Tony Zinni. The J-4, who directs logistics, is presently a colonel, but an Army brigadier is expected to arrive in a week or so to assume this billet.

That will bring the number of generals in this one headquarters up to four. Each, of course, must have a staff.

Another officer said the problem with headquarters units in general is that "they are consumers, not facilitators." He noted that the first shower unit to be unloaded from the ships went to the headquarters.

Zinni has more than two dozen colonels and lieutenant colonels working for him. "The headquarters is big," he conceded in a recent interview, "and we're going to cut it down."

At the same time, Zinni argued that he needs more than the usual number of officers to sit on "all the organizations, teams and cells you don't normally have" in a strictly military operation.

He has a point, but his table of organization lists more than 60 officers of all ranks.

In this regard, Johnston's headquarters manifests all the staff excesses of the Pentagon. As of Dec. 30, his headquarters was soaking up more than 860 personnel.

Indeed, his headquarters hit a peak strength of more than 1,000 on Dec. 21.

One of the Boeing 747 flights to Somalia was entirely filled with staff officers and clerks. Not a gunfighter among them. The same plane had to make a return trip to the States to get them, the infantry troops of 3rd Battalion, 9th Marine Regiment.

These seemingly perverse priorities have been a source of gossip.

"Even if they had gotten all the gunfighters on the ground first, why do we need such a big staff!" groused a major.

Another officer said the problem with headquarters units in general is that "they are consumers, not facilitators."

He noted that the first shower unit to be unloaded from the ships went to the headquarters.

"Maybe it's just as well. The troops weren't all here yet anyway," he sighed.

Headquarters units also require protection. The bigger they are, of course, the greater the number of troops that must be diverted to protect them.

So at the same time that top officers like Brig. Gen Peter Pace, the deputy commander of Marine Corps forces in Somalia, fret about the shortage of combat troops to control the country, a rifle company's worth of Marines is tied down guarding the headquarters.

Imagine how many more troops would be available if just half those 860 people in the headquarters were suddenly transformed into combat troops.

They could use the hot, dirty perspective of the 900 Marines who were at Bardera on Christmas Day. They had gone the farthest and potentially into the most dangerous sector of the famine belt, but no senior officer helicoptered out from headquarters that day to tell them their service was valued.

Johnston didn't even radio out a Christmas Day message to his command. You would think just one of those 860 people on his staff would have reminded him of the parched Marines at Bardera, but maybe they were too preoccupied daydreaming about their next shower.

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Here, according to the Military History Division at Fort Benning, were the top news items of the week:

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On the Eastern Front, Soviet forces continued to regain ground lost during the German offensive of the previous summer, capturing Georgievak, Mineralnye, Vody, Piatigorsk and Budenovsk in and around the Caucasus Mountains.

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Near New Guinea, Allied forces completed their three-day dismantling of an intercepted Japanese convoy, having sunk three transports, damaging three others and crippling or outright destroying 113 aircraft.

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Also near New Guinea, Allied forces torpedoed and sunk a Japanese cruiser.

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The U.S. suffered the loss of the submarine Argonaut in the Bismarck Sea.

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On the U.S. homefront, Roosevelt submitted a 100 billion dollar budget to Congress declaring, "This budget presents a maximum budget for waging war — the nation is soundly solvent."

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DEFENSE

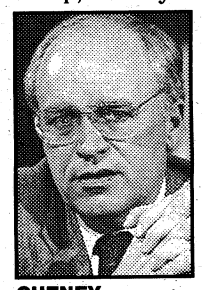
Cheney urges caution on defense budget

From wire reports

WASHINGTON — The new Congress will try to use the Pentagon budget for "domestic spending in defense clothing" at the risk of imperiling military readiness, according to departing Defense Secretary Dick Cheney.

"This is clearly a challenge for President Clinton," Cheney said in a farewell interview with several reporters Monday.

The new president and his defense secretary-designate, Rep. Les Aspin, D-Wis., "are going to have to be prepared to confront their own Congress" if they want to keep the military sharp, Cheney said.



CHENEY

Cheney reiterated his opposition to Clinton's plan to pare the Bush administration's five-year, $1.42 trillion defense budget by $60 billion and to slash the uniformed services by 200,000 additional men and women.

"I'm worried about it," Cheney said, adopting a harsher tone than he has in the past about the incoming administration. "There are two ways to get in trouble here ... You can't undermine readiness, you can't undermine the quality of the force."

"Congress has a great proclivity ... of finding ways to use the defense budget to fund domestic programs," the outgoing secretary said. "They call it defense conversion ... but in reality what it is spending on things that are best left to other sectors of the government, or the private sector."

Cheney cited moves by Congress in the last Pentagon budget to fund such things as breast cancer research and to pad the number of National Guard and reserve units to help protect local economies.

"You've got to resist the temptation ... to load up the defense budget with expenditure items that are really domestic spending in defense clothing," he said.

He said his Pentagon team was recommending a fiscal 1994 budget that adheres to past long-range spending plans, including a force of 1.6 million men and women five years from now.

As for his own future, Cheney said he plans to join a conservative Washington think tank, the American Enterprise Institute; has lined up a number of speaking engagements through a New York agency; and intends to join a few corporate boards that aren't involved in Pentagon contracting.

He said he hasn't decided whether to seek the Republican presidential nomination in 1996, but the former Wyoming congressman conceded his departure from the Pentagon will allow him to pursue a political life "a little more aggressively."

On international issues confronting Clinton, Cheney said:

■ Some U.S. troops will head home from Somalia by the end of this month, even though the starving African nation remains a "nasty, dangerous neighborhood." But most of the American forces will remain, and the continued violence and unrest in Somalia make it difficult to predict when the operation will be handed over to U.N. peacekeepers, he said.

■ Clinton can expect Iraq's Saddam Hussein to continue "pushing right up to the edge as he has from time to time since the end of the (Persian Gulf) War."

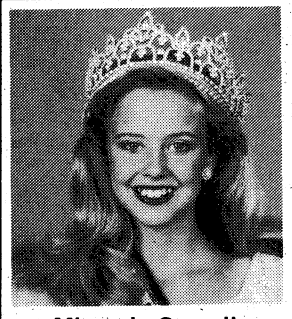
But "I think it would be a mistake for him (Saddam) to assume that things are going to be any different under Clinton than they've been under President Bush," Cheney said.

CBS News reported Monday night that Iraq had moved anti-aircraft missiles into areas bordering the "no-fly" zone in southern Iraq in an apparent response to the downing of an Iraqi MiG fighter there by a U.S. F-16 last month.

Marlin Fitzwater, the president's press secretary, said Tuesday that "we're monitoring the missiles. We're very concerned. We're still considering our options." Asked by reporters what is out of the realm of possibility, Fitzwater added, "I wouldn't steer you away from anything."

■ Cheney said he continues to oppose the notion of putting U.S. ground troops among the warring republics of former Yugoslavia, but advised against taking any unilateral U.S. action.

Since last summer, Clinton has denounced the Serbian policy of "ethnic cleansing" and has called for a tougher U.S. approach to help end the fighting.



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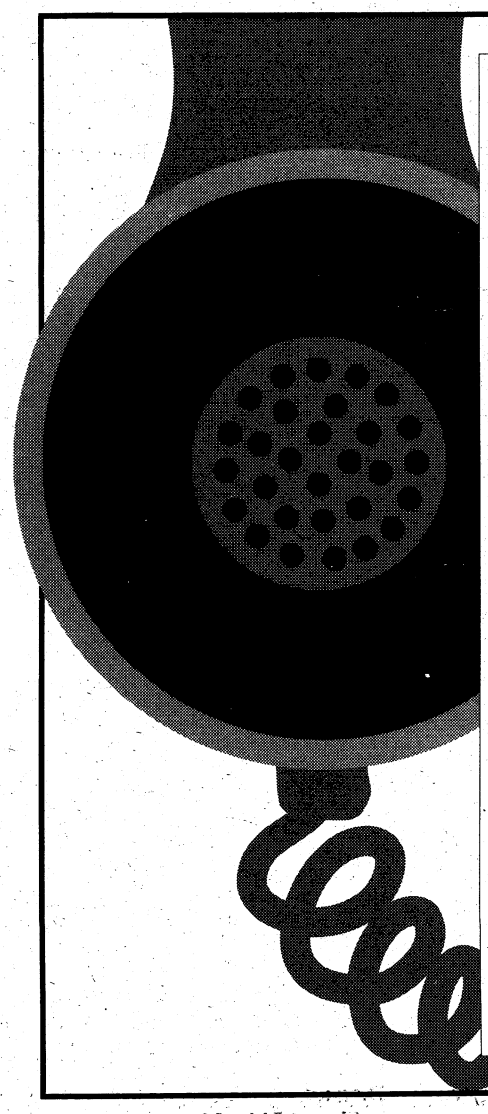

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PROFILE

Homeless veterans have true friend

Mitchell gives those in need place to stay

By Clint Claybrook
Staff Writer

Jean Mitchell's reach may exceed her grasp at times — like when she asked Columbus Consolidated Government for $30,000 to help the city's homeless "and Mayor (Frank) Martin sent us a $100 check."

Mayor Martin, for the record, said he sent Mitchell the $100 "to encourage the concept of her programs" after he received letter from her asking for $30,000 but containing practically no details about her projects.

Frustrated, she's pushing ahead with plans to open two houses for homeless veterans by the first of next month. Sometimes she wins, like when a local ruling that some of her "clients" weren't entitled to Food Stamps was overturned in Atlanta. Then her transitional homes were certified by the Department of Human Resources as a "meal provider for homeless people," Mitchell said.

She said there are still problems since "my elderly" still can't draw food stamps "because they're not in a personal-care home."

Peter Lee, a state-level spokesman for DHR, said Mitchell "is pretty much on base" with her claim. He said DHR has issued its certification for the transitional home or homes, which must now be approved by the U.S. Department of Agriculture. After that, Mitchell can only accept Food Stamps for food, not in exchange for board and keep, he said.

A retired Army nurse, the 40-year-old Mitchell's philosophy is simple: "I'd like to make a difference somewhere, even if it's just a small difference."

He said the home for the elderly can't accept food stamps until it's licensed by the state Department of Public Health as a personal-care facility.

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She set up her homes after operating two "personal-care homes" since 1991 and finding out that "there are too many people out here who can't afford to pay" for housing of any kind. Mitchell sees the homeless as a national problem, the solution to which must begin at the local level. She envisions a "Homeless City" with counselors and contacts with various welfare and social programs within walking distance.

The new "transitional homes" for veterans are located at 706 and 710 26th Street. Columbus Bank and Trust bank-rolled their purchase and kicked in $10,000 in "operating funds," Mitchell said. "They've been the most concerned (about the homeless) in this community." She credits Vernon Bell of All-American Realty with helping arrange the deal for the houses.

Payment on the houses, once considered derelicts, runs $1,108 a month, but Mitchell figures she got a good deal, especially since the owner kicked in an estimated $70,000 to rehab the wood-frame buildings.

"Tender Love & Care" at 718 2nd Avenue is the frontispiece of Mitchell's programs. It's chartered as a non-profit corporation. Mitchell had 40 residents in her homes on Monday.

Mitchell figures on an income, at present, of some $2,000 a month from clients on military disability pay and from others drawing Social Security or other disability pay. She charges those clients 30 percent of their monthly checks, but said it all goes back into the operation, for food, utilities, etc. She says Gov. Zell Miller's office has shown interest in a grant proposal.

She refuses to call her facilities "shelters." The name "transitional homes" makes a difference, she said: "These people don't just need a place to stay. They need work, they need counseling, they need support to help cope with the issues they've been dealing with since they've been homeless. We're a re-integration process to try to get people back into the job market."

Mitchell is pushing for a jobs program for her "clients," and notes that some are already at work on odd jobs in the Historic District.

Cheryl Lide, 26, a North Carolina native, was a TLC client this week. She "ended up homeless because of a lack of money" for an apartment and spent three days at the Valley Rescue Mission, she said. Mitchell says Lide is "into marketing and business administration," with an associate degree "and I hope she'll be able to help market my facilities."

She points to Kendall McBean, 48, who was working this week as a cook at TLC: "He has a college degree and a Purple Heart from Vietnam. He does the cooking for us. We pay him like $20 a week, for personal items."

That's fine with him, said McBean: "I've worked a lot of places, a lot of construction. I just can't get my hand stuck in a good cooking job right now." He holds an associates degree in business administration from Phillips College.

Meantime, he said, "I'm getting a lot of help from them (Mitchell and her staff). "I give her as much support as I can, and she takes care of me. I chose this because I'm not only helping myself, I can also help someone else."

McBean is from the Virgin Islands and credits Mitchell with helping determine that he's due an 80 percent disability check monthly from the Veterans Administration. "I didn't know I had anything coming."

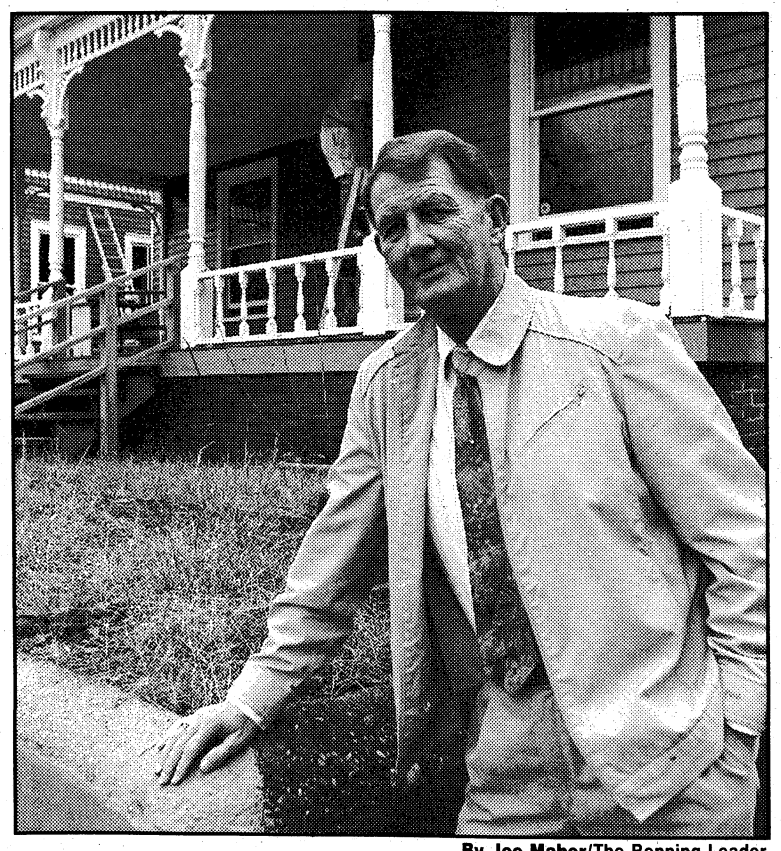
Mitchell, he says, "is a great lady."

Well, maybe she hasn't always been a lady. Once, for four years, she was an Army drill sergeant. For 20 years she wore the green, retiring in 1989 as a sergeant first class. For four years she was the Noncommissioned Officer in Charge of the emergency room at Martin Army Community Hospital, and helped set up the Widner Health Clinic at Sand Hill.

A divorcee, Mitchell says she doesn't have time for a marriage. "I've got too many people to take care of."

By Joe Maher/The Benning Leader

Jean Mitchell, left, talks with Cheryl Lide outside a house in the Historic District that she is renovating for use as a transitional home for homeless veterans.



By Joe Maher/The Benning Leader

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Jean Mitchell

Age: 40.

Hometown: Chicago, Ill.

Family: About 40 people in her transitional homes.

Past: Former drill sergeant, later NCOIC of the Martin Army Community Hospital emergency room. Twenty-year Army veteran.

Present: Runs three transitional homes in Columbus.

Future: Opening two new transitional homes for homeless veterans later this month.

AT EASE

Electronics companies playing name game

By Rich Warren
Chicago Tribune

Koss Corp., the headphone-maker, recently sold its name to a Dutch company to build Koss electronics. You might think you're buying American-made products, but you're not.

Home electronics journalism needs an Andy Rooney. In his absence we'll use most of this first column of the year to point out the foibles in the electronics business.

We've previously pointed out that some brand names no longer have a connection with their original owners, such as Sanyo's using the Fisher label and Scott's being used by a succession of corporate owners.

More recently a new phenomenon has developed. Companies have continued doing business while selling their names.

For example, Zenith still makes TVs, but has sold its name to SDI Technologies to market audio components and telephones. The two companies have no connection other than a common name. To corrupt Zenith's slogan: "The name goes on to the highest bidder."

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Zenith continues making waves in the home electronics business. The company's complaints have resulted in most of the tariffs on imported TVs, especially the little LCD models. Now Zenith is waging a war against companies claiming flat-screened picture tubes. Zenith developed a superb technology called the Flat Tension Mask, which is truly flat. Although Zenith has been working with FTM technology for almost a decade, it has only been able to apply it to a pair of computer monitors.

The company has been stymied in its efforts to apply FTM to home use. So now it vents its frustration on Panasonic and other TV manufacturers claiming flatter picture tubes.

To avoid controversy Panasonic now refers to its flatter-screen TVs as Gaoo using the "SuperFlat system." Meanwhile, Zenith asked for a retesting of its HDTV system. Companies that deal with glass picture tubes shouldn't throw stones.

Zenith also proclaims itself the last American TV manufacturer. It may be mostly American-owned, but it manufactures few TVs in America. It employs a few workers at its Missouri plant. Recently Toshiba celebrated its 10 millionth American-made TV in Lebanon, Tenn. The Toshiba picture tubes come from Horseheads, N.Y. RCA manufactures the most American-made TVs and tubes at its Indiana factories. Philips (Magnavox/Sylvania) and Sony also produce most of their TVs in America.

Speaking of TVs, kudos to Panasonic, Sony and RCA. The Panasonic Gaoo (formerly SuperFlat) and the Sony XBR2 are the biggest advances in conventional TV in almost a decade. RCA's introduction of CinemaScreen TV with the wide 16:9 aspect ratio is the biggest advance in TV since color. Besides the wide, movie-theater-shaped screen, RCA also filled the set with advanced electronics for a stunning picture.

Free market economics is a wonderful thing. It gives us unbelievably low prices on home electronics. It also gives us two incompatible camcorder systems 98 mm, VHS); three incompatible interactive compact disc systems (CDTV, CD-I, VIS) (four if you consider computer-based CD-ROM); and three incompatible digital recording formats (DAT, DCC, MD) (four if you count Sony's NT tape).

The proponents rattle off an impressive list of each system's benefits. Instead they should sit down and combine the best features into a single system, such as occurred with the CD.

The new year will bring dramatically improved camcorder performance. New home models using multiple imaging devices, such as used on professional video cameras, recently premiered in Japan. Wide screen 16:9 TVs will proliferate, with models from most manufacturers by year's end.

The FCC will rule on a high definition television system, but don't expect any broadcasts or TV sets for another couple of years. There's a chance that by the end of next year direct broadcast satellite testing will begin. DBS pay-TV will compete with cable TV, but offer superior picture and sound. New technology will double, triple, even quadruple the number of available cable channels.

Pistol match to be held Saturday

The Fort Benning Rifle and Pistol Club will hold a tactical pistol match 9:30 a.m. Saturday at English Range.

The match, which is open to the public, costs $13 to enter.

Participants may use any serviceable handgun of 9 mm caliber or above and may shoot in either the competitor, sportsman or female competition category.

Separate trophies will also be awarded for the highest scores among those using a service revolver and among law enforcement professionals.

The club is open 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and noon to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. For more information, call 689-3371.

At the movies

Listings for Jan. 8-14

TODAY

Hero (PG-13) 7 p.m., Sand Hill

Love Potion #9 (PG-13) 7 p.m., Main Post

Passenger 57 (R) 9 p.m., Main Post

SATURDAY

Husband & Wives (R) 2 p.m., Sand Hill

Enchanted April (PG) 2 p.m., Main Post

Under Siege (R) 4:30 p.m., Sand Hill

Captain Ron (PG-13) 7 p.m., Main Post

Mr. Saturday Night (R) 9 p.m., Main Post

SUNDAY

Hero (PG-13) 2 p.m., Sand Hill

Enchanted April (PG) 2 p.m., Main Post

Death Becomes Her (PG-13) 2 p.m., Sand Hill

Jennifer 8 (R) 7 p.m., Main Post

MONDAY

Mr. Saturday Night (R) 7 p.m., Main Post

TUESDAY

Jennifer 8 (R) 7 p.m., Main Post

WEDNESDAY

Enchanted April (PG) 7 p.m., Main Post

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Mr. Saturday Night (R) 7 p.m., Main Post

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"SCENT OF A WOMAN" R 1:00 4:30 8:00 — No Disc. Tkts.
"LEAP OF FAITH" PG13 2:15 4:30 7:15 9:30 — No Disc. Tkts.
"A FEW GOOD MEN" R 1:00 4:00 7:00 9:45
"THE BODYGUARD" R 1:15 4:00 7:00 9:45 — No Disc. Tkts.

the Screening Room
"A RIVER RUNS THROUGH IT" PG 1:30 4:15 7:00 9:45

Columbus Square 8/ 563-4440 COLUMBUS SQUARE
Box Office Opens at 12:00 — "MALCOLM X" PG13 2:30 8:15 — No Disc. Tkts.
"CHAPLIN" PG 13 1:00 4:00 7:00 9:45
"A FEW GOOD MEN" R 1:00 4:00 7:00 9:45
"MUPPET CHRISTMAS CAROL/ UNFORGIVEN" No Discount Tickets G 1:00 3:00 5:00/R 7:00 9:45
"THE BODYGUARD" R 1:15 4:00 7:00 9:45 — No Disc. Tkts.
"THE DISTINGUISHED GENTLEMAN" R 1:00 3:45 7:00 9:30
"TRESPASS" R 2:15 4:30 7:15 9:45 — No Disc. Tkts.
"HOFFA" R 1:00 4:00 7:00 9:45 — No Disc. Tkts.

Peachtree Triple/ 322-7701 PEACHTREE MALL
Box Office Opens at 6:30 — "TOYS" PG13 7:00 9:30 — No Disc. Tkts.
"FOREVER YOUNG" PG 7:00 9:30 — No Disc. Tkts.
"DRACULA" R 7:00 9:30

Plaza Triple $1.50/ 563-3737 CROSS COUNTRY PLAZA
Box Office Opens at 1:30 — "CANDYMAN" R 2:00 4:30 7:00 9:30
Any Movie $1.50 Anytime — "PASSENGER 57" R 7:15 9:30
"THE LAST OF THE MOHICANS" R 2:00 4:30 7:00 9:30

Phenix Twin $1.50/ 297-3905 280 BYPASS
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AT EASE

ACROSS

1 Tenth part
6 Forgive
11 Old violinmaker
16 Blemish
21 The Ram
22 Roman official
23 Hard as — (callous)
24 Bury
25 Isle of —
26 Eye part
28 Ship's crane
30 Alight
32 Proceed
33 Latin conjunction
34 — apart (reserve)
35 Storage compartment
36 Flying mammals
37 — up with (tolerate)
38 Stitch
40 Choir voice
42 Actor Brynner
43 Solitary
44 Another 40 Across
45 Jean-Claude's friend
47 Three-legged stand
49 Affectionate
50 Ordinance
51 Natural ability
54 Dirt
55 Eat
56 Sharp ends
59 Writing fluid
60 Period of time
62 Ringing
64 Roster
65 Sun god
66 Newley ID
67 Recede
69 River in France
70 Dispatched
71 Small military aircraft
72 TV's McClanahan
74 Musical drama
76 Tiny
77 Shoshonean Indians
78 Speck
79 Crocodile members
82 Tallies
84 Assistants
85 Paradise
86 Jog
88 Hollow cylinder
89 Grafted: heraldry
90 River bank
92 Rainfall
94 Neapolitan folk dance
98 Region
99 Again
100 Encountered
102 Birds' homes
103 Chicago White —
104 2,000 lbs.
105 Mast
106 Extra
108 "— Hard"
109 You and I
110 "This — Your Life"
111 Strain for breath
112 Head rests
114 Limb
116 Kin: abbr.
117 Nullify
119 Melody
120 Fish trap
122 Swords
124 Ginger —
125 Cooling devices
126 Joins together
128 A Beatty
129 Speechless performer
131 "Desire Under the —"
132 Yellow ocher
133 Mother of pearl
135 Watering place
138 Poem
139 Large birds
140 Large truck
141 Ocean
142 Early morn
143 French article
144 Choicest
145 Put off
147 Chinese factions
149 Collection of facts
150 Artist's stand
152 Type style
154 Make amends
156 Pits
158 Narrow openings
159 Deep sleep
160 Iron
161 Shouts

DOWN

1 Domesticates
2 Angry
3 Sn is its symbol
4 That man
5 "The sixth sense": abbr.
6 Feel sorry for sins
7 Newspaper executives
8 Wire measure
9 Negative prefix
10 TV's Koppel
11 Horseshoer's metal block
12 Principal
13 River island
14 Louise ID
15 Staten or Coney —
16 Containers
17 In addition
18 "Tag" player
19 Hot wine drink
20 Jogs
27 Employ
29 Border on
31 Devoured
36 — of contention
37 Chess piece
39 Step
40 Fork prong
41 Disturbance
42 "— Submarine"
43 Lengthy
44 Badger
46 Coroner: abbr.
48 Musical instrument
49 Keen
50 Misplaced
51 Crown
52 Cancel
53 Surgical saw
55 Lead
56 Transfixes
57 Commonplace
58 Wise persons
61 Encourage
63 "sex, — and videotape"
64 Dregs
68 Peter, to Jane Fonda
70 Guided
71 Cindy Crawford and Christie Brinkley, i.e.
73 Football team
74 S-shaped molding
75 Dart
77 — renewal
78 Small amount
80 Mental image
81 Seed
83 Away
84 Emmets
87 Shirley —
89 Goes in
90 — America
91 Worn away
92 Break suddenly
93 Actual
95 — Minor
96 Bring down
97 Skating maneuvers
99 Church part
101 Garden tool
105 Surfeit
106 Transgresses
107 Pitcher
111 Strong wind
112 Plays on words
113 Omen
115 Thick, human hair
116 Cincinnati —
118 Contest
119 Scottish caps
121 Causes
123 "Let it —"
125 High-pitched wind instruments
126 "Enemy —"
127 "— From the Mall"
129 Burrowing animals
130 Standard of perfection
131 River in Germany
132 Morley —
134 Tattered cloth
136 Jury list
137 Collect
139 Morays
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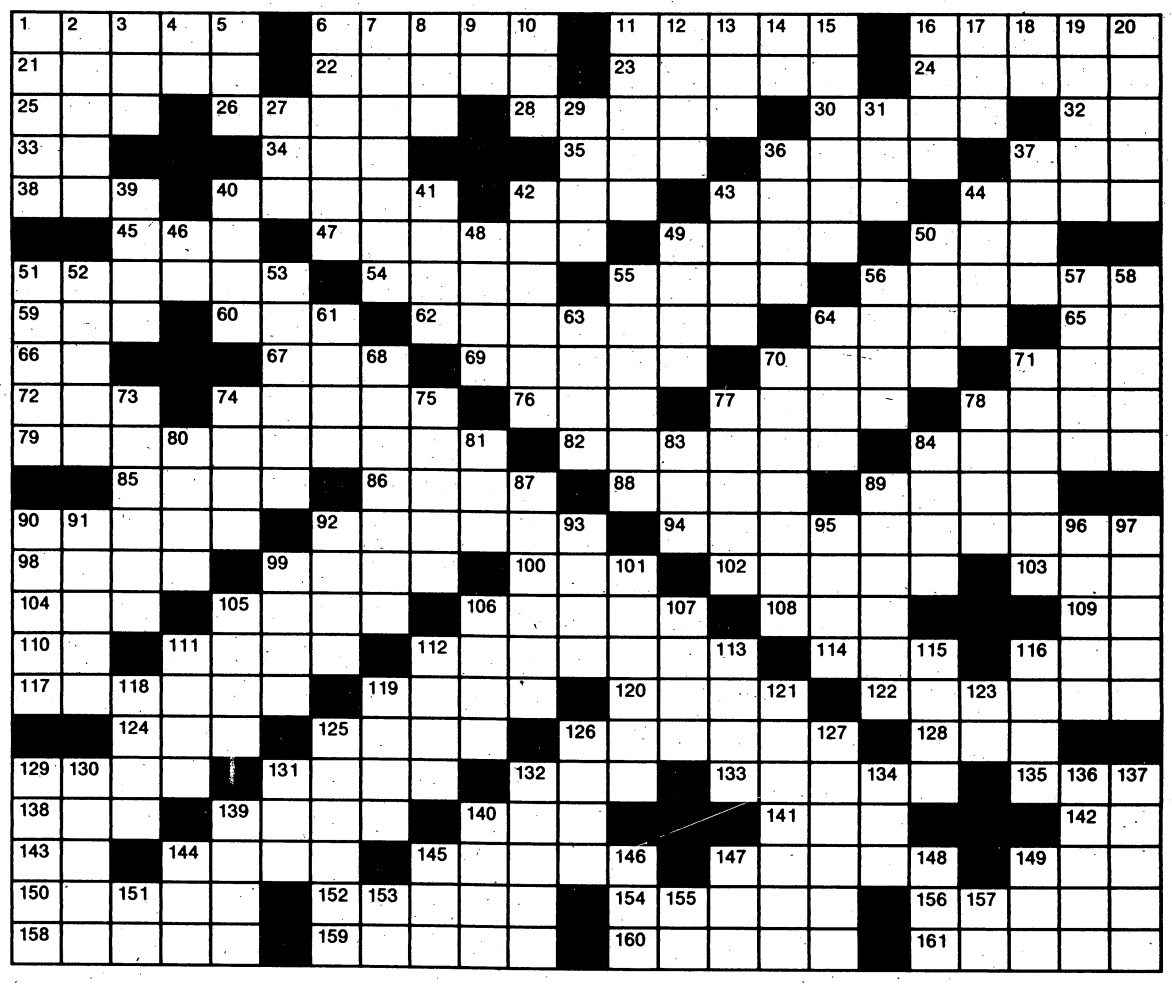

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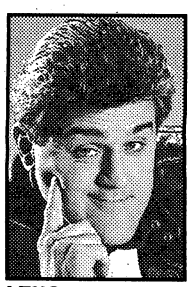
LETTERMAN

Letterman vs. Leno

NBC will be forced to make a decision soon



LENO

By Frazier Moore
Associated Press

NEW YORK — It was unknown earlier this week how CBS chief Howard Stringer, the proud new father of an adopted baby boy, might be preparing for the adoption of a sometimes infantile and colicky star named Letterman.

Meanwhile, Jay Leno continued to send up his NBC bosses, who, he cracked on "The Tonight Show" New Year's Eve, celebrate the holiday differently from most folks: "At NBC, they still can't figure out which auld acquaintance should be forgot. But they're working on it!"

Indeed they are. Within days, the network must put up or shut up in its campaign to keep Sweet Baby Dave away from CBS, whose offer of some $14 million per year NBC must match or sweeten by Jan. 15 — as well as give Letterman the 11:30 time slot the network awarded to Leno only last May.

It does seem to boil down to a choice by NBC to turn its back on one of its two "auld" talk-show stars. But during his year-end broadcast last Thursday, Leno should have been buoyed by a story in that morning's Los Angeles Times surveying two dozen NBC-affiliated station managers — all of whom expressed support for his staying put.

The grin on Leno's face seemed to reflect a growing consensus on the part of industry insiders, as well as the latest thrust of conventional wisdom: NBC will keep Leno. CBS will win Letterman.

Of course, consensus, logic and $39.95 could have gotten you the NBC Olympic TripleCast last summer. But the arguments for the NBC-Leno and CBS-Letterman matchups are compelling. While we wait for the big shots to prove us right, let's sum up why:

HOW CBS WILL BENEFIT FROM GETTING LETTERMAN:

■ With the simple purchase of Letterman's services, CBS for the first time in its history can be a real contender in the late night wars. There is no surer, quicker, easier way than Dave (unless it's Jay).

■ With a solid program in place at 11:30, CBS over time can win back the hour from its affiliated stations, roughly one-half of which currently fill the time with syndicated fare.

■ Operating on the theory that you wake up with the network you went to sleep with, a bigger late-night audience for CBS could mean a viewership boost a few hours later for the scrappy but still third-place "CBS This Morning."

■ Landing Letterman could give pizazz to CBS' somewhat stodgy image, and give the network a much-needed morale kick.

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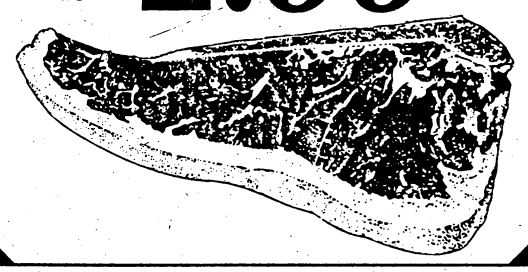

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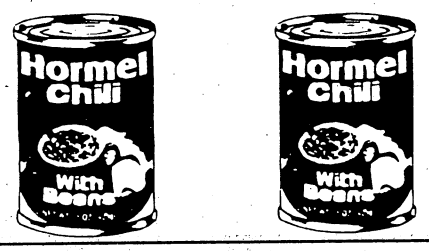

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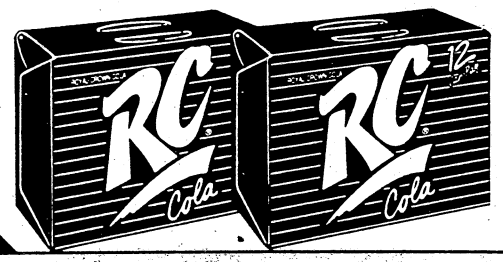

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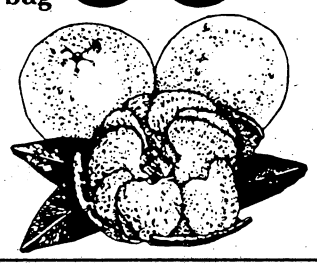

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COMMUNITY

Gulf veterans can give blood now, Red Cross says

By Jerry Rutledge
Leader Editor

The American Red Cross has lifted a ban on all military blood donors who served in Operation Desert Shield/Desert Storm. The deferral, in place since August, 1990, was used to eliminate the possibility of transmitting leishmaniasis, a parasitic infection caused by the bite of a sand fly.

The ban, or deferral, was lifted on New Year's Day.

"They (Red Cross) were afraid the sandfly would transmit the parasitic infection into blood supplies," said Catherine Weaver, a spokesman for the Alabama Region of the American Red Cross in Birmingham. "Basically, a bite on the skin (from a sandfly) is how it would enter the body and the person would have the infection.

"We really didn't know how the parasite would affect the blood supply. We didn't know if it could be transmitted through the blood supply. We didn't know how sick the people would be. So we were very conservative in how we approached this."

Since the end of hostilities and the return of active-duty and Reserve forces from the Persian Gulf, there has been a growing number of reports of mysterious ailments and sicknesses of varying degree. Some have been linked to leishmaniasis.

During the 14 months of the deferral period, the Red Cross has monitored the Department of Defense investigation of the potential harm of the parasite. While the deferral has been lifted, some modifications have been made. Donors who have traveled to the Persian Gulf since August 1990 will be accepted provided they feel well on the day they donate and all other donor qualifications have been met.

Individuals with diagnosed cases of visceral leishmaniasis will be indefinitely deferred from donating blood.

More than two dozen Reservists from the Columbus-based 24th Naval Mobile Construction Battalion, parts of which were deployed in the Middle East during the war, have reported symptoms consistent with the disease. A special screening was held in Columbus late in the fall to determine how many were experiencing problems. The ban had a noticable effect on the blood supply, since active-duty military and Reservists account for a very significant part of the donor pool.

"It's hard to put a number to it (the drop-off in donations) but it has had an effect on the blood supply," said Weaver. She said the Red Cross will continue to monitor the Department of Defense research on leishmaniasis.

Group purchases toys for the little patients

By Nicole Cochrum
Special to The Benning Leader

Broken, unusuable toys. Puzzles with missing pieces. Old, torn books. That's what the playroom in the pediatrics ward at Martin Army Community Hospital looked like last August.

For sanitary reasons, little patients cannot bring their own toys to the ward and have to entertain themselves with toys and games in the playroom. But there was nothing usable to play with last fall when Luke Ace and Mark Allen were patients at the pediatrics ward.

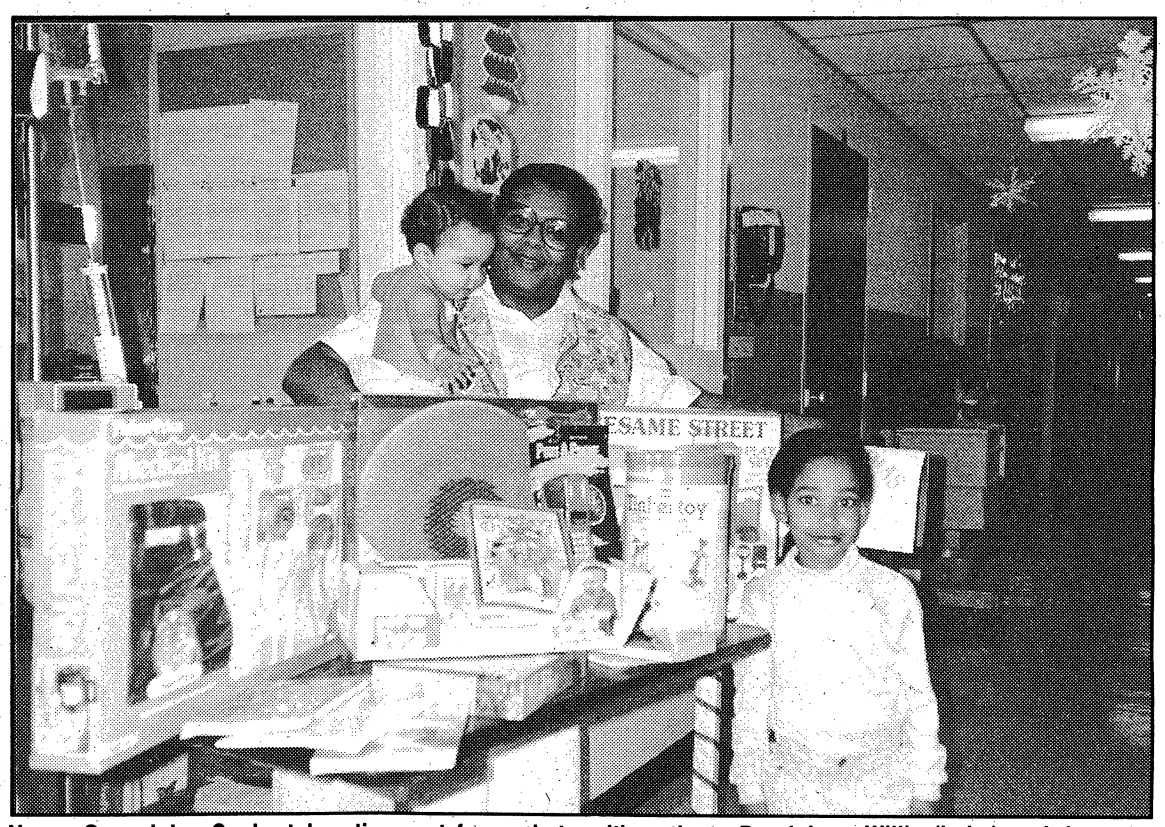
Their mothers brought this problem to their coffee group, the wives of DCD/DWBL. They decided to collect and raise money to buy new toys and used books. In December, they had put together $120 for toys and games and went to K mart. The manager gave a 10 percent discount to contribute to the good cause.

In coordination with the head nurse, Capt. Carter, Maryellen Canada and Nicole Ace brought the gifts to the hospital Dec. 21. Lots of patients, parents and nurses gathered around to inspect the gifts.

As Spc. Liza Peoples said, "This is great! Games and puzzles for the older kids were desperately needed. This generous gift really brings in the Christmas spirit."

Canada agreed, "Usually our coffee group spends money once a year on ourselves, such as going out to eat. But it feels wonderful to use our money for a good cause and be rewarded in a special way, bringing the Christmas spirit to others."

Now the littlest patients will be smiling all year long.



Nurse Gwendolyn Sanks takes time out for a photo with patients Dominique Willis (baby) and Jazzmine Anderson, age 5, in the pediatrics ward at Martin Army Community Hospital.

Kelley Hill, Winder clinics merging Monday

By Linda Bosley Dailey
Staff Writer

Kelley Hill Family Practice Clinic patients on Monday will begin receiving their medical care at the Winder clinic in Sand Hill.

The two clinics will merge on Monday, combining both staffs and patient populations, and will operate at the newly expanded Winder clinic building in Sand Hill. The Kelley Hill clinic will close for good this afternoon.

As part of the merger, the Winder Health Clinic will be renamed the Winder Family Practice Clinic.

Construction to double Winder's size — to about 15,000 square feet — was completed in November. Examination and treatment rooms, offices and record storage areas were added to the building at 11th Airborne Division Road and 41st Infantry Regiment Street.

New to the Winder Family Practice Clinic will be a pharmacy, patient education services and a sports medicine clinic, said Lt. Col. (Dr.) Andrew Dow, officer in charge at Winder.

Patients can get their prescriptions filled at the Winder pharmacy, and get refills at the Main Exchange Mall refill pharmacy. That will help relieve the load at the hospital pharmacy, Dow said.

The nurse practitioner will lead patient education, he said. A room, equipped with a television and videocassette recorder, will be dedicated to teaching patients about health care, he said.

And a sports medicine clinic will include a physical therapy area.

Officials determined a single, larger clinic could operate more efficiently than could two smaller, separate clinics.

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The merger of the clinics is being done in conjunction with the implementation of the Gateway to Care program. The program is designed to improve access to care and lower costs. It also seeks to assign members to a family practice clinic where they will receive primary medical care and referrals to specialists as needed.

Although plans are not final, the building that once housed the Kelley Hill Family Practice Clinic may be used as a troop medical clinic or to provide additional room for the dental clinic nearby, officials said.

The Winder Family Practice Clinic will employ five physicians, one nurse practitioner, one physician assistant and 25 nursing, administrative and clerical employees, Dow said.

Appointments are available from 8 a.m. to 3:45 p.m. Monday through Friday, excluding holidays. For urgent medical needs, patients should call 544-9855 or 544-9620. For routine appointments, test results or pregnancy tests, patients should call 544-8910 or 544-8911.

Sick call for soldiers assigned to units on Kelley Hill will continue to be held at the Brigade Clearing Station.

A ribbon-cutting ceremony to dedicate the addition and to rename the clinic will be held Tuesday at 3:30 p.m.

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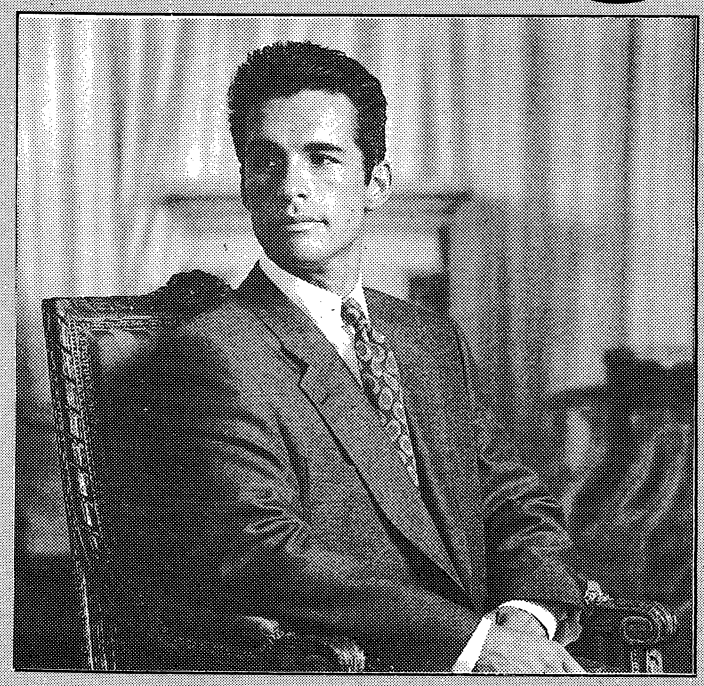

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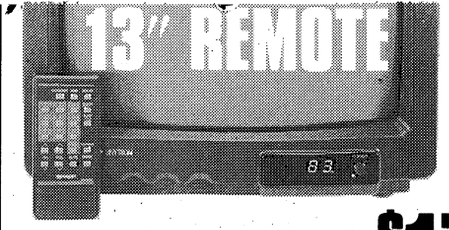

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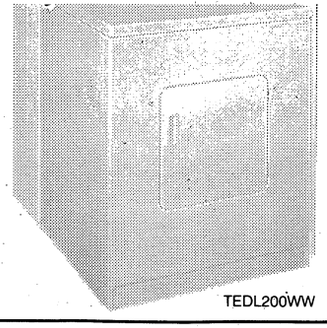

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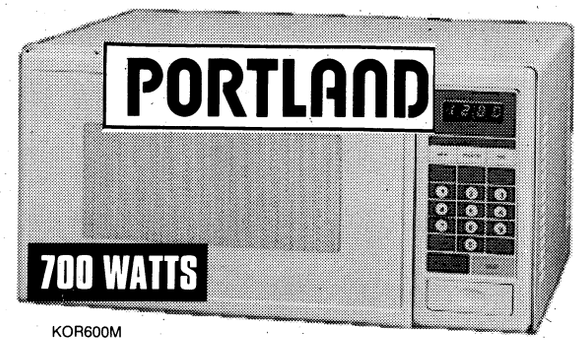

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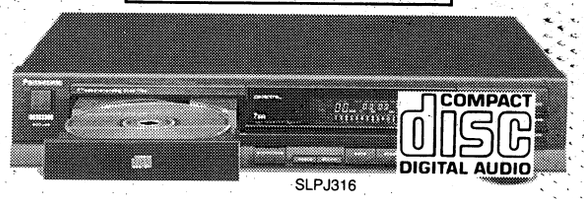

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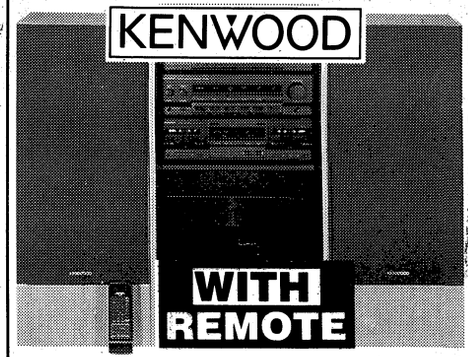

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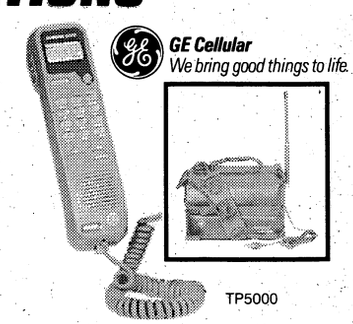

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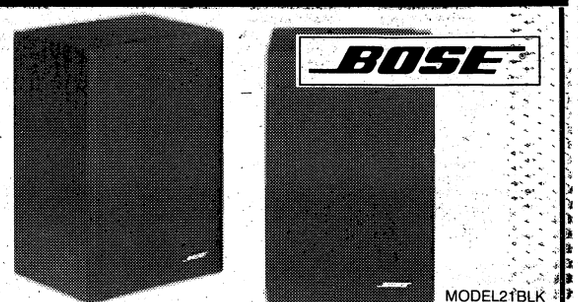

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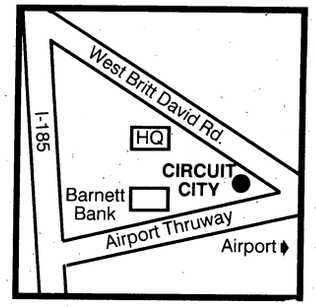

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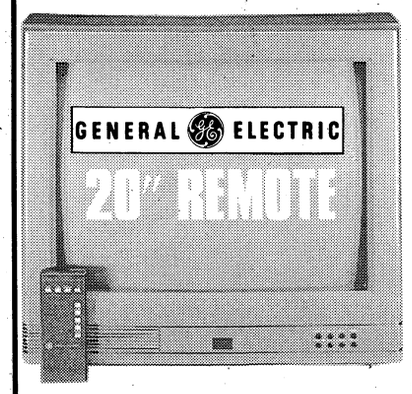

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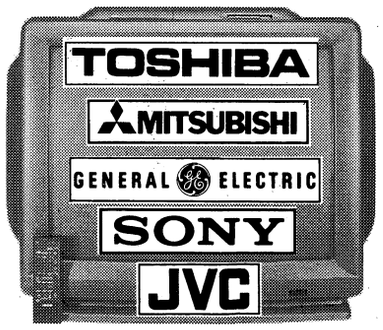

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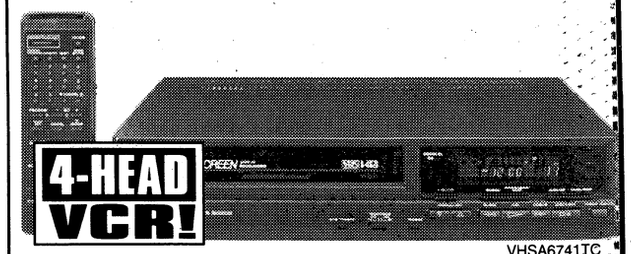

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From staff reports

A free lecture, "Preparing Your Child for Kindergarten," will be held 7 p.m. Tuesday at Dexter School.

The session will address Fort Benning's kindergarten curriculum, developmental stages of children from 3 to 5 years of age, realistic expectations for 3- to 5-year-olds, and ways to prepare children to enter school.

Open to Fort Benning parents, care givers and educators, the lecture is the third in a five-part series. The lecture series, Talks About Young Children, deals with the development of children from infancy through age 5.

Because space is limited, reservations are required and will be taken through today or until the session is full. To register, call the schools' administration office between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. Children are not permitted to attend the lectures.

The last two lectures in the series will be held Feb. 11 and March 3. The February seminar is titled "Children's Behavior Patterns and Preferences: How to Make the Most of Your Child's Strengths." The March session is "Learning Together: Creative Activities at Home and Community Resources for Parents and Young Children."

Students graduating from DARE program

More than 200 sixth-graders will graduate from the 1992-93 Drug Abuse Resistance Education program 11:30 a.m. Thursday at Faith Middle School.

Columbus Deputy Police Chief Willie L. Dozier will be the guest speaker.

The DARE program, in its fifth year at Faith, combats drug abuse by informing students about tobacco, alcohol and drugs, providing ideas for alternatives to drug use and teaching them to resist peer pressure.

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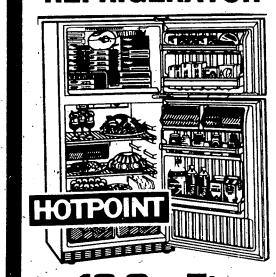

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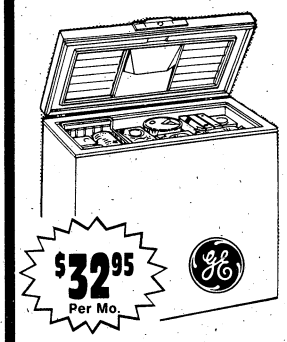
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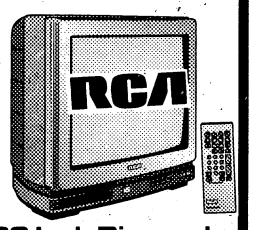

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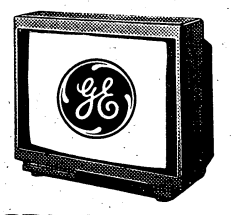
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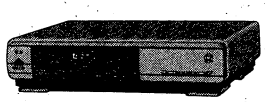

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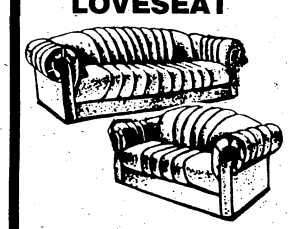
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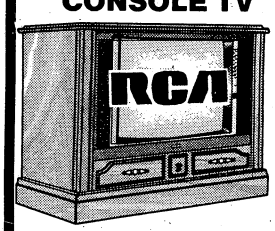

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U.S., allies tell Iraq to back off

From wire reports

UNITED NATIONS — The United States and its allies told Iraq on Wednesday it has 48 hours to remove its missiles from the edge of the no-fly zone and stop locking radar onto allied aircraft.

The ultimatum was delivered to Iraqi Ambassador Nizar Hamdoon.

The demand was drafted by the United States, France, Britain and Russia — four of the five permanent members of the Security Council. China is the other member.

Iraq is accused of moving the equipment to the edge of the no-fly zone established in southern Iraq after the Persian Gulf War to protect rebel Shiite Muslims.

"There is agreement on the need for Iraq to comply fully with the U.N. resolutions and the no-fly zone" in southern Iraq, said Richard A. Boucher, the State Department spokesman.

Accusing Iraq of intimidating American planes, he said "we are ensuring that the Iraqis are left in no doubt about the importance of strict adherence to the terms of the no-fly zone."

Senate Democratic Leader George J. Mitchell of Maine said after a meeting with President Bush at the White House that "no decision has been made with respect to any of the options available to the President."

"The President indicated he is consulting with our allies, has made no decision, is weighing all options," Mitchell said.

House Speaker Thomas S. Foley of Washington said the Iraqi surface-to-air missiles pose a potential threat to U.S. aircraft. "I think the President is concerned about the situation with American fliers who are being asked to enforce the no-fly zone in the area."

The U.S. ultimatum could set the stage for another clash with Saddam Hussein before Bush leaves office in two weeks. Using 200,000 troops and devastating force, the president forced Iraq out of Kuwait in February 1991. Just last month an Iraqi MiG was shot down over southern Iraq.

"They were told in very specific terms that we would respond appropriately and decisively to any Iraqi failure to comply with the no-fly requirement or any other interference with our operations," Boucher said.

Saddam, in a speech broadcast in Iraq, said his army "is the army of all the Arabs. . . . From this distinguished and honorable history, we draw great confidence in the readiness of this army of believers and in its unwavering ability to confront aggression."

Any ultimatum would be based on U.N. Security Council resolutions that authorize all necessary means to ensure the Iraqi people are not subjected to abuses by his regime, said two officials who also spoke on condition of anonymity.

Presidential spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said "we do not intend to tolerate continued violations" of the U.N. resolutions imposed on Iraq after the Persian Gulf War.

"We don't want to speculate on what action we might take," he said.

"We obviously are quite concerned about the situation in Iraq," Fitzwater said. "We're watching Saddam's actions closely. He has periodically in the last several weeks made attempts to challenge the U.N. and the coalition rules that were set up at the end of the war.

"So we continue to consider various options for enforcing those resolutions. And we do not intend to tolerate continued violations."

The southern zone was established last August by the United States, Britain and France to protect the Shiite population from Saddam, whose secular rule is at odds with their quest for a government based on the Muslim religion.

Firefight breaks up briefing in Somalia

From wire reports

MOGADISHU, Somalia — The daily U.S. military briefing for reporters was cut short Wednesday when a brief gunbattle broke out across the street from the former U.S. Embassy, now the Marines' compound.

The firefight, apparently between two rival Somali clans or gangs, lasted for about three minutes. It could not be determined if anyone was injured.

Marine Col. Fred Peck was just about to close the 5:30 p.m. session when long bursts of automatic weapons fire were heard by reporters inside the classroom on the embassy grounds.

Some Marines dashed to foxholes and gunpits near the embassy's wall and gates. Some others, not on duty, continued throwing a football.

Several Marine squads dashed out of the embassy's gates and into the street shortly after the firing ended. They indicated that all was clear about 15 minutes later.

The shooting occurred on the other side of the street, behind another wall that shields some partially destroyed warehouses.

Marines also were involved in a few other skirmishes, Peck said.

He said a six-man reconnaissance patrol was fired on Tuesday night by a Somali with a machine gun near Afgoi, 50 miles west of the capital. The Marines returned fire and killed the man, Peck said.

There were no Marine casualties, he said.

An Army patrol also found 40 cases of dynamite in that area, Peck said, and blew it up because it was old and unstable.

A Marine patrol operating out of northern Mogadishu discovered a large cache of weapons in a former Somali officer-training school, Peck said. Greg English, a photographer traveling with the patrol, said two Somalis apparently were wounded when they fired on the patrol and on a convoy of trucks the Marines called in to cart the weapons away.

"Everybody was firing from the trucks, left and right," after they took some sniper fire as they pulled out of the compound, the photographer said.

ON POST

Tax advisers must attend IRS class

The Internal Revenue Service will conduct an income tax preparation class Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. in Classroom 20 in Infantry Hall. All unit tax advisers must attend the course. Any other volunteers may attend on a space available basis.

For more information, call Legal Assistance at 545-3281.

MLK SERVICE: A commemorative service for Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. has been scheduled for Jan. 15 at 11:30 a.m. in Marshall Auditorium in Infantry Hall.

AIRLINE TICKETS: An update from the Military Traffic Management Command states that American, Northwest, TWA, Continental, Delta, United and US Air have agreed to waive restrictions on nonrefundable tickets that personnel involved in Operation Restore Hope purchased for holiday travel.

To confirm eligibility requirements and applicability of the airlines' waiver policy, soldiers and family members can check with the Leisure Travel Office or the airline involved.

Terms and conditions of the refund, reticket, waiver and itinerary change policy varies from airline to airline.

AUTO EXAM: Automobile Service Excellence examinations will be administered May 4, 6 and 11 at all Fort Benning education centers.

Eligible soldiers may take three examinations free if they are taken for college credit.

The fee is $15 if the test is taken for certification or recertification.

The registration fee is $20 and registration must be completed by March 12 at any of the following education centers:

Main Post Education Center, Building 2602, 545-4863.

Kelley Hill Education Center, Building 9027, 544-3689.

Sand Hill Education Center, Building 3006, 544-9961.

Harmony Church Education Center, Building 4635, 544-6311

APPOINTMENTS FOR PHOTOGRAPHS: In order to efficiently serve its soldiers, the Training Support Center has instituted an appointment system for Department of the Army photographs.

Appointments may be made either in person at Building 108 or by calling 545-1381.

Hours of operation are Monday and Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and on Wednesday from 8 a.m. to noon.

NEW HOURS: New hours of operation will be in effect Monday for the Mall Shoppette/Class Six store, Building 9235.

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Boxes are $2.50 each and proceeds benefit each troop's treasury.

For more information, call 327-2646.

SUCCESS SEMINAR: The Columbus College Adult Re-Entry Program will sponsor a free seminar called "Strategies For Success" Tuesday at the Elizabeth Bradley Turner Center for Continuing Education.

Times are 9:30 a.m. to noon or 7 to 9:30 p.m.

This seminar helps the older than average student learn how to successfully juggle multiple roles. It is open to potential and currently enrolled college students.

For more information, call Linda Gabrielson at 568-2330.

MENTAL HEALTH: A co-dependent group will meet beginning Tuesday at Community Mental Health Services.

The group is open to active duty military and family members. The group will meet weekly.

A screening interview is required.

For more information, call Capt. Michaelana Regazzi or 1st Lt. Steve Lewis at 545-1717 or 545-2587.

ADULT LITERACY: Volunteers are needed to help adults learn how to read.

A free training workshop will be held Jan. 12, 14, 19 and 21 from 6 to 9 p.m. The workshop will be held at the Columbus College Continuing Education Center and is sponsored by the Muscogee Area Literacy Association.

Call 649-0865 to register.

LA LECHE MEETING: The Columbus-Fort Benning chapter of La Leche League will meet Tuesday from 10 a.m. to noon and from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at St. John United Church, 6507 Moon Road, on the corner of Moon Road and Weems Road in Columbus. Nursing babies are welcome.

OWC CLASSES: The Officers' Wives' Club is currently offering the following classes:

Gymnastics — Kelly Cargill, 563-8176.

Piano — Diane Swiccicki, 297-6524.

Tap, jazz and ballet — Jennifer Page, 323-5735.

Tae kwon do — Martin Czapla, 324-1220.

Performer — Libbie Kurinec, 322-6942

For additional information, contact the instructor or the OWC office at 687-3537.

More Gateway to Care meetings set next week

From staff reports

Martin Army Community Hospital officials will hold several meetings next week to explain Gateway to Care and answer questions about the hospital's new managed care system.

On Monday, 3rd Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment soldiers are scheduled for a briefing at 6 p.m. in Infantry Hall's Marshall Auditorium.

On Tuesday, two meetings will be held in Marshall Auditorium — one at 10 a.m. and the other at 6 p.m. The meetings are open to retirees and any active duty soldiers or family members who missed their unit's briefings.

Retirees and Dental Activity soldiers' dependents are scheduled to meet with Gateway officials at 6 p.m. Wednesday in Marshall Auditorium.

And again at 6 p.m. Thursday in Marshall Auditorium, Gateway officials will meet with retirees and active duty soldiers and family members who missed a unit briefing.

Joining the Gateway to Care program is optional, but is necessary to be assigned to a family practice clinic. And attending a briefing is required to join Gateway to Care.

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AUSA backs modernization program

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Ben Register

As we look to our future military forces, we must be sure that we maintain the technological edge on the battlefield and an adequate technology and production base to sustain that force.

The Army has identified some key areas for modernization based on the experience in Operation Desert Storm, the age of many of its primary weapons systems, and the need and opportunity for an increased combat capability on the battlefield of the future.

In retrospect, the Army modernization program of the 1970s and 1980s, which was strongly supported by AUSA, produced the "Big Five" — the M1 Tank, Bradley Fighting Vehicle, Apache Helicopter, Patriot Missile System, and the Multiple Launched Rocket System. We must have an equal vision and commitment to the soldiers of the future to provide them the most modern weapon systems that this country can produce.

Resolution 93-5, Weapons Systems Modernization, adopted by AUSA at the national meeting provides that support and commitment and is quoted below.

"AUSA Resolution 93-5 Weapons Systems Modernization

As the Army reshapes to the base force, a sound, continuous modernization program is essential. Through the development and fielding of technologically advanced weapons and equipment to fully trained and well-led soldiers, the Army has deterred war, and when necessary, fought and won.

When an Army is being downsized, a specious argument invariably surfaces; that is, that current weapons systems are sufficient in both numbers and technical level for the smaller forces being authorized. Operations in the Persian Gulf not only validated the effectiveness of weapons systems utilizing the latest technology, but pointed out areas of needed technical improvements.

A significant deficiency is the limited ability of Army aviation reconnaissance and attack organizations to see the battlefield, especially at night. The Army's leading modernization program is the Comanche, an armed reconnaissance helicopter. It will replace the aging fleet of AH-1, OH-58, and OH-6 helicopters, while complementing the AH-64 Apache.

Apache Longbow is a near-term priority program that will provide an air-to-ground radar capable of being used day or night in adverse weather and with battlefield obscurants. The Longbow system will also be integrated into the Comanche. Longbow will add significant warfighting capability to the Apache and Comanche fleets in survivability, lethality and versatility, as well as long-term reliability improvements.

The Advanced Field Artillery System — Cannon (AFAS-C) and the Future Armored Resupply Vehicle-Ammunition (FARV-A) are the core of the modified Armored Systems Modernization program. The goals of both AFAS-C and FARV-A programs are to develop a more survivable, longer-range, self-propelled artillery system that is based on the common component approach to system development. AFAS-C and FARV-A are being developed to replace the M109A6 howitzer and the M992 resupply vehicle. Together, they provide increased rates of fire, reduction in section size, and a fully automated ammunition handling system.

A critical deficiency is the inability of the infantryman to defeat armored systems. The Javelin, a man-portable anti-tank system currently in development, will provide high lethality against conventional and reactive armor. The Javelin will have an increased day-night sight and provide target engagement capability in adverse weather. The Command and Launch Unit can also be used for battlefield surveillance and target detection.

Another near-term priority program is the upgrade of the Abrams tank. The M1A2 development program provides improvements in lethality, survivability and fightability over the M1A1 and includes a commander's independent thermal viewer and weapons station and position navigation equipment.

The Army also recognizes the need for an Armored Gun System (AGS) to provide a strategically and tactically deployable direct fire system for airborne and light infantry units.

The acquisition process must capitalize on the cost savings occurred from economies of scale and program stability. Support must be given to full funding, particularly in the areas of technology base enhancement, engineering development, and production.

WE THEREFORE RESOLVE to urge the administration and Congress to:

■ Support the Army's modernization vision to ensure that the Army can achieve the technological overmatch necessary to provide the necessary land maneuver dominance required to achieve decisive victory.

■ Continue funding support for the Comanche and Apache Longbow Helicopter; The Advanced Field Artillery System — Cannon and the Future Armored Resupply Vehicle — Ammunition; Javelin; Abrams upgrades; and Armored Gun System.

■ Streamline the acquisition process and support the DOD full funding policy.

Ben Register, a retired lieutenant general, is president of the Chattahoochee Valley-Fort Benning Chapter of the Association of the United States Army (AUSA).

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She's just one of the guys on the flag football field

By Dan Pever
Correspondent

Being the only female in Fort Benning's Men's Flag Football League can be extremely hard sometimes — especially for the opposition.

Just ask the guys who had to play against Tammy White.

After the jokes and snickering turned into respect for HHC, 1st Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment's premier pass rusher, teams actually came up with game plans against her.

She was so quick at rushing the quarterback, one team resorted to stomping on her feet to slow her down.

"At first, I think the guys were a little afraid to hit me," she said. "They thought, man, she's a girl.

"But when I started getting to the quarterback, they started really hitting me. They said, 'man, hit that girl, we're out playing football.'

"One of them hit me so hard, I landed on my head. Three guys came over and said 'I'm sorry.' I said, "Don't worry about it.' "

Playing sports with the guys isn't a new experience to the Army specialist, who measures 5 feet 2 inches tall and weighs 130 pounds. Although she played girls basketball and softball at Albany Westover High School, she went to the park every day and played basketball and tackle football with the male gender.

Still, it took some convincing on her part and some encouragement from HHC 1/11th coach Edward W. Oller before she came to practice.

"At first, I think the guys were a little afraid to hit me," White said. "They thought, man, she's a girl. But when I started getting to the quarterback, they started really hitting me."

"I asked the commander 'Do you let females play?' He said 'yeah' but the way he said it, I didn't think he believed me. But they gave me a fair shot. I went to practice and caught a few passes and they said 'wow,' " she said.

Coach Oller said there wasn't a lot of kidding about it from his players at the beginning.

"At first, my team was kind of leery about it," he said. "But she showed she could play. After that she was just another player, not a female or male. After a few games, everyone was saying she's tough, she's tough . . . don't underestimate her.

"A lot of teams tested her. They stacked up, double-teamed her a lot to see if she could take it. Tammy would just say 'come on with it.' She didn't take nothing from nobody."

Staff Sgt. Gibson of Alpha Co. 2/11th said his team didn't know quite how to react.

"When we played her, it was very intimidating to us. She was standing opposite and we just thought we couldn't push her around like everyone else," he said. "But she was just so quick."

HHC 1/11th won its regiment and went to the postseason tournament.

"In the playoffs, I got my first busted lip," Tammy said. "I just want to give credit to the guys who hung in and tried to protect me. It was a team effort."

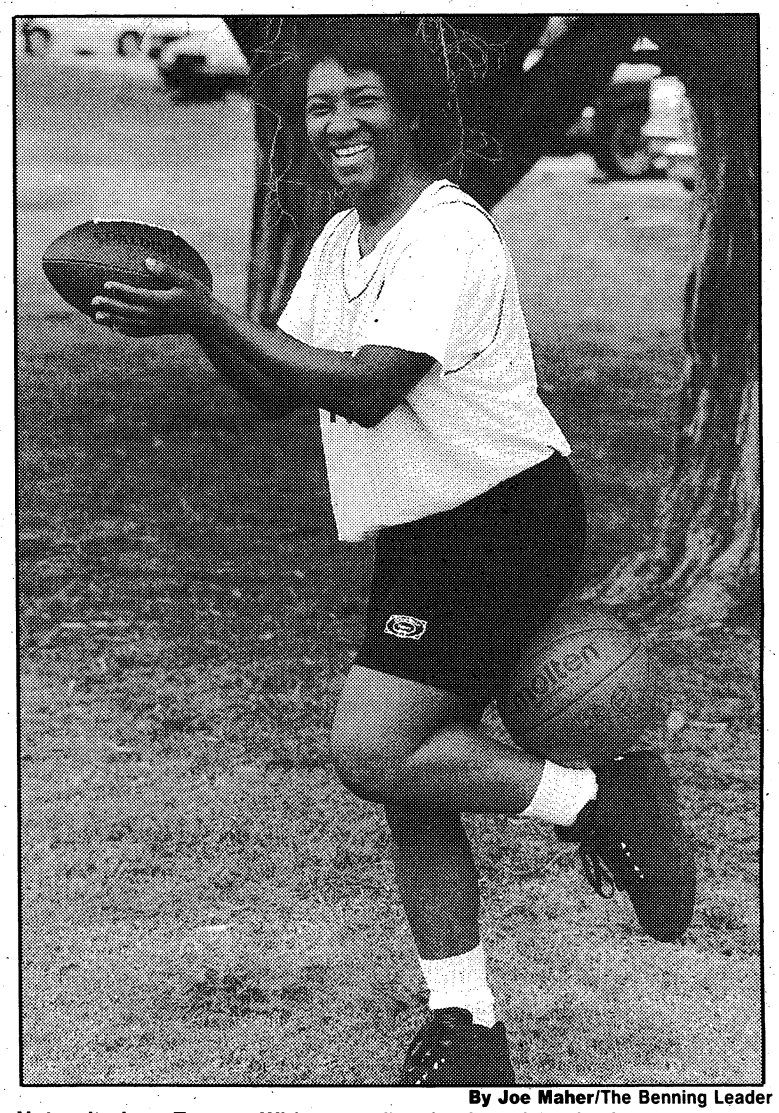
Tammy, 23, decided on the Army after she graduated from Westover in 1989. She has a 5-year-old son, Jeremiah.

"Sports has been a surprise to me," Tammy said. "I didn't think with being a 24-hour soldier, I would have time for sports."

Right now, the talented specialist is busy playing point guard for a post team, the Bandits, in the women's basketball league. As a backup point guard, she has helped them post a 5-0 record and remain the only undefeated team.

Oh yeah, she plays for a men's team also. She plays for HHC 1/11th, making her the only female to play in the men's basketball league.

"I don't see that much playing time with the men. It's a different level of ball," she said. "I just love sports."



By Joe Maher/The Benning Leader

Not only does Tammy White play flag football, but she is also a member of women's and men's basketball leagues.

FYI

Martin Army Community Hospital provides on-post ambulance service for emergencies. Call 544-3911.

Spencer's Williams honored

From staff reports

Spencer High running back Maurice "Mo" Williams has received the 1st Annual Odis Spencer Athletic Award, sponsored by the William H. Spencer High School Alumni Association.

ODIS SPENCER

Williams, a 6-foot-2-inch, 205-pound senior, rushed for 1,975 yards this season in helping the Greenwave reach the AAA playoffs, Spencer's first playoff appearance in 24 years. Considered a top major college football prospect, Williams has received numerous honors, including the Columbus Ledger-Enquirer Player of the Year award and the Atlanta Journal-Constitution All Class AAA list.

By Ramon Scott/The Benning Leader

Spencer High running back Maurice Williams racked up 1,975 yards in earning the 1st Annual Odis Spencer Athletic Award.

The prestigious 3-foot trophy was given by the Spencer Alumni Association in honor of past athletic director and coach Odis Spencer, the winningest coach in Spencer High history. Spencer coached from 1947 to 1971. His team captured several regional titles and won four state championships.

The trophy will be given each year, and will not be limited to seniors at Spencer High School. Juniors, sophomores and freshmen around the city can qualify for the award.

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IN BRIEF

PARTY for kids changing name to Bible Boot Camp

PARTY, the youth group for kids ages 4 through sixth-grade is changing its name to "Bible Boot Camp." It will give kids a basic training course in God's Army, teaching them who their commander in chief is, how to study their training manual, what to wear into battle each day and weapons to use for spiritual warfare.

In God's Army, everyone has an important part to play and every soldier works together to win the battle over Satan. So enroll your kids now in Bible Boot Camp. There will be games, crafts, videos and snacks. It begins Saturday from 1 to 3:15 p.m.

Future dates until May are: Jan. 23, Feb. 13 and 27, March 13 and 27, April 10 and 24, and May 8 and 22. Bible Boot Camp will meet at Building 2522 on Thorson Street behind the Quartermaster Laundry. For more information, call Margaret Alberici at 689-1164.

CONFIRMATION CLASSES: A new series of confirmation classes will begin Feb. 2 from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. and continue each Tuesday through April 6 at the Religious Education Center, building 2518. The class will be taught by Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Roger Kappel. For registration and information, call 545-2288.

FILM SERIES: The Protestant Women of the Chapel will present a film series by Ross Campbell, M.D., Christian psychiatrist, author and lecturer on parent-child relationships. The series will be held each Thursday from 9:30 to 11:45 a.m. through Jan. 28 at the Religious Education Center, building 2521. Child care is provided free of charge.

For more information, call Gwen Chandler at 682-5546 or Loree Smith at 685-0809.

SEXUAL ABUSE SUPPORT GROUP: An adult survivors of sexual abuse support group will begin meeting Feb. 5 from noon until 1:30 p.m. and be held every Wednesday through April 14 at the Chaplains Family Life Center, Soldier's Plaza, building 2606. For more information, contact Chaplain (Maj.) James Rayburn at 545-1760.

MEGASKILLS: The Chaplains Family Life Center and the Columbus College present workshops for today's parents and their children, teaching parents to educate their children. The workshops begin this month at the Chaplains Family Life Center.

For more information, call Chaplain (Maj.) James Rayburn at 545-1760.

PARENTING CLASSES: A free workshop based on Systematic Training for Effective Parenting (STEP) will be presented every Tuesday from noon until 1:30 p.m. for seven weeks beginning Jan. 19 at the Chaplains Family Life Center, building 2606.

For information or registration, call 545-1760.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S COUNCIL: The Military Council of Catholic Women invites women to actively participate in the process of the Catholic church and to share through eucharistic celebration, spiritual development programs and community activities.

The women meet the first Friday of each month at 9:30 a.m. at the Main Post Catholic Church. Baby-sitting is available at no charge.

For more information, contact Teresa Zepeda at 682-3918 or Jackie Place at 571-8883.

PROTESTANT YOUTH: The Protestant Youth of the Chapel meet at 7 p.m. at the Infantry Center Chapel annex. The group provides food, fun and fellowship for all junior and senior high students.

For more information, call Chaplain (Maj.) Kerry Steedley at 545-2502.

PRAYER BREAKFAST: The Officer Christian Fellowship monthly prayer breakfast will be held Jan. 19 from 6:30 p.m. until 7:50 a.m. at the Infantry Center Chapel Annex. For registration call 545-2050 or 545-2931.

Clinton joins churches in attacking sex and violence in movies, TV

By George Cornell
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Some critics, including major churches and President-elect Clinton, say those heavyweight, modern influences on people — movies and television — are befouling the American atmosphere.

They glamorize rampant violence as a solution to problems, exploit gratuitous sex and pile on brutish language and behavior that erodes character, the critics say.

"We deplore the increasing glorification of violence and sexual violence in the visual media," says the National Council of Churches. These "violent portrayals damage the common good and threaten media freedom."

Since Clinton generally had steered clear of "values" issues in the presidential campaign, he somewhat unexpectedly took a recent swipe at the entertainment industry, much of which had supported him.

In comments in TV Guide, he said he is "mortified" by some of what he sees on TV and that Hollywood needs to begin "deglamorizing mindless sex and violence."

He said films and TV, with their enormous capacity to influence opinion, are hurting America, but could "without undermining their artistic integrity, have a major new impact on the way people view the world."

Other critics also entered the fray, even as indications came that the three major TV networks — ABC, CBS and NBC — were moving toward limiting redundant gore and violence.

Movie makers signaled participation in a conference about it next spring in Los Angeles.

Feisty film critic Michael Medved, co-host of "Sneak Previews" on PBS, weighed in with a book, "Hollywood vs. America, Popular Culture and the War on Traditional Values," blasting Hollywood as a "poison factory."

Film critic Michael Medved says the industry, mocking marriage and religion, "promotes every form of sexual adventurism and regularly ridicules religious believers as crooks or crazies."

With "its ugly obsessions," it turns out films and TV shows that millions of Americans consider "an alien force that assaults our most cherished values and corrupts our children," he says.

He says the industry, mocking marriage and religion, "promotes every form of sexual adventurism and regularly ridicules religious believers as crooks or crazies."

This "anti-religious bias" means that whenever a religious figure appears in a film these days, "he's usually corrupt or dishonest," Medved told an interreligious meeting of Christians and Jews.

The National Council of Churches, at its governing board meeting last fall, updated its position on violence and sexual violence in films, TV and home video, saying studies show it fosters violence and aggressive behavior.

These media "now have become the dominant forms of communication" as rates of homicide, suicide, rape and aggravated assault climb, said the council, which includes most major Protestant and Eastern Orthodox denominations.

It added, "Much violent behavior is learned, too frequently from the mass media which are powerful teachers and conditioners of individual attitudes and behavior."

Although industry leaders resist charges that showing sex and violence encourage such conduct in society, the council said the "great weight of research over the past 30 years" shows it's a connected cause.

Also, it said "most children and adults who are heavy viewers of television express a greater sense of insecurity and apprehension about their world than do light viewers."

Research also finds music video, often combining teen idols with erotic material and repeated violence, has a "detrimental effect on children and youth," the council said.

It opposes censorship, meaning governmental prior restraint on freedom of expression.

While supporting free-speech guarantees of the First Amendment, the council deplored "activities of those in the media industries who hide behind these protections to make money at the expense of the public welfare," adding: "Freedom is not a license to exploit and demean the common good."

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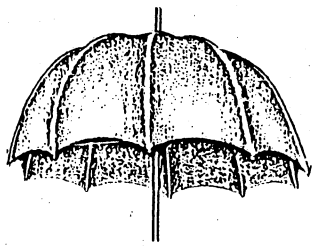

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NEW BABY PRODUCTS
Full time position, 4 days + Saturday, 10-6. Mature, exp. & knowledgeable of baby products. Retail exp. a plus. Call 596-9110

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WHAT RECESSION?!

We have an opportunity for you to make extra money as an independent contractor for the Ledger-Enquirer. The hours to deliver are flexible on either Tuesdays or Thursdays in the bi-city area and would be perfect for homemakers and retirees. All you need is reliable transportation, a valid driver's license and proof of car insurance.

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DATE:
Monday, January 11, 1993

PLACE:
Ledger-Enquirer Office
1016 12th Place
Phenix City, Alabama
(205) 297-8458
3:00PM ONLY

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HELP WANTED GENERAL 216

Needed: organ repairer or retuner for old pump organ. Call 323-9331

SALES 226

NATIONAL COMPANY

looking for Auto Parts Store Manager and Outside Salesperson. Must have 3yrs. min. exp. Benefits, paid vacation, plus bonus program. Send resumes to: Box 219 c/o Ledger Enquirer, P. O. Box 711, Columbus, GA. 31902-0711.

SPORTING GOODS SALESPERSON

Leon Jordan Outdoors has an immediate opening for salesperson to sell & advise customers on hunting, fishing equipment & tackle. 5 day work week. Many company benefits. Apply in person Mon-Fri, 9am-6pm:
Leon Jordan Outdoors,
inside Leon Jordan Marine,
3902 Manchester Expwy.

DRIVERS 227

★ DRIVER ★

Full or part time. Must have own truck. No pickup trucks or mini vans. Please call
Atlanta Air Cargo
1-800-537-1114

OTR DRIVERS NEEDED

To drive Southeastern states. Must have 2 yrs. OTR exp. & good driving record. Blue Cross/Blue Shield insurance & competitive pay. Contact
Debbie Butler, Recruiter
R & L TRUCKING Co.
1-800-445-0605

SKILLS & TRADES 228

Construction Workers. All skills, paid living expenses. Medical benefits. $70k tax free. 1-800-528-0739.

JOB WANTED 230

NOTICE

It is now a requirement of the State of Alabama that all persons wishing to care for unrelated children have a license. If you have questions concerning this regulation, please call the Russell County Department of Human Resources. (205)298-7882.

THE BENNING LEADER "FREE FIFTY" COUPON

Free CLASSIFIED ADS FOR ITEMS UNDER $50.00

The Benning Leader is now offering free classified ads for items totaling less than $50.00 in value. Ads will run 3 lines for one week and only ads on this original coupon form can be accepted. This coupon will run every week in The Benning Leader.

PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING GUIDELINES CAREFULLY BEFORE PLACING YOUR AD: • Ads received by noon on Tuesday will run in the following edition. Ads received after noon on Tuesday will run the next available edition. • Only non-commercial want-ads can be accepted. Please don't list animals, plants, firewood, services or homemade crafts. • Please include a daytime phone number along with your home phone number, name and home address in case we have a question about your ad.

Please include your:

Name_____

Address_____

City_____ **State**_____ **Zip**_____

Home Phone_____ **Daytime Phone**_____

Mail to:
The Benning Leader
Free Fifty Ads
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P.O. Box 711
Columbus, GA 31994

PRINT YOUR MESSAGE HERE-ONE LETTER OR SPACE PER BLOCK

Approximately
1 line
2 lines
3 lines

Please leave A Blank Space Between All Words And Prices. Please include your phone number.

LOOK FOR THESE BARGAINS IN OUR BARGAIN COLUMN (Classification 099)

THE BENNING LEADER "FREE FIFTY" COUPON

JOB WANTED 230

NOTICE
The Family Home Daycare Division of the Georgia Department of Human Resources advises that Family Home daycare for 1-6 children can only be registered, not licensed. For 7 or more children, the Family Home daycare status changes to Group Home daycare and licensing is required. If this is an area that is of interest to you when trying to determine daycare facilities for your child, you may call 1-404-894-5688 to inquire further about Georgia regulations.

400 FINANCIAL

BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIY 410

BE YOUR OWN BOSS Military Rent-all is searching for the right, motivated, self-starter to own a tv & appliance rental store on Ft. Benning. Exclusivity on Post. Full training & support by Entrepreneur Magazine's #1 Rated Franchisor in category. $25K down. **Call 1-800-669-2221.**

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HIGH QUALITY produces high income. Home based business for quality people. Free success guide. **Better Days, 800-243-6916.**

VENDING ROUTE For Sale Collect $100-$200 cash daily. No selling. **1-800-723-7800**

500 REAL ESTATE RENTALS

Index of Rental Abbreviations 502

Below you will find a listing of common rental abbreviations which you may find in our classified advertisements. We hope this will help your decision-making process.
bedroom - BR
bathroom - BA
dining room - DR
living room - LR
greatroom - GR
fireplace - FP
central heat/air-cent. h/a
washer/dryer - w/d
connections-w/d conn.
refrigerator - fridge
available - avail.
north - N.
south - S.
Columbus - Cols.
Phenix City- P.C.
acres - ac.
minutes - min.
apartment - apt.
month - mo.
subdivision - S/D
large - lg.
double - dbl.
years - yrs.
utilities - util.
highway - hwy
condominium - condo
appliances - appl.
payments - pymts.
furnished - furn.
unfurnished - unf.
references - ref.
required - req.

UNFURNISHED APTS. GA 520

ATTENTION MILITARY
Start the New Year in Luxury
1 & 2 Bedrooms
2 min to Post/14 min to Bldg 4
Call Lisa or Gisela:
689-4873
CAMELLIA APARTMENTS
689-0370

UNFURNISHED APTS. GA 520

TRAFFIC GARDENS
1600 Ft. Benning Road
1 & 2 BR, plus townhouses. $215 to $245. Remodeled, new carpet, cable tv., burglar doors, 689-1425.

DUPLEXES 523

2BR, 730 A Davis Circle. $245 mo. + dep. Call 326-6746 or 706-846-8707

FURNISHED HOUSES GA 524

CONVENIENT TO BENNING Furn. 2BR House. $250. 561-7460 or 324-4750.

UNFURNISHED HOUSES GA 526

RENT TO OWN! Reese Rd school area, 4BR, 2BA, den w/fp, dr, lr, lots of extras. Call 322-4003

Steamill area 3BR, 1½BA, den, LR, $450 mo. + dep. Call 689-5206

2BR 1BA, central h/a, fenced yard, 5 min from Post. $350mo. + dep. 563-7391

3 BEDROOMS, 1 bath, fenced yard, immediate occupancy. $450/month. **HERITAGE HOMES 596-1339**

600 REAL ESTATE SALES

TOWNHOUSES & CONDOS 612

LUXURY CONDO, 2BR/2BA in Covenant Woods retirement community. All amenities. Owner. 404-427-5549, priced below market for immediate sale.

HOMES FOR SALE GA 616

AMAZING OFFER-owner moved-Wynnton home-pool-jacuzzi and sauna room-and much, much more- $175,000-apt. complex on property optional-call for appointment- **323-7331.**

BY OWNER-BEAVER RUN Lakefront lot, 4BR, 4BA, basement, 3400sq.ft., $175,000. Finders fee okay. Available July. 569-1574.

PCSing, Must Sell. New home, only 6 mo. old, N. Cols. 3BR, 2 full BA, eat-in kitchen w/breakfast bar, GR w/FP. $69,000. 561-2828.

VA REPO HOTLINE
24-Hr Recording 568-9741
HERITAGE HOMES

FARMS & ACREAGE 636

COUNTRY LIVING
9.2 ACRES, $12,900
Beautiful rolling pastures & big timber. Long road front, near Manchester. Owner financing, (912) 986-1454

700 MOBILE HOMES

MOBILE HOMES FOR RENT 714

'87s-'92's 14 wides 2&3BR, fenced, air, rent/own avail. $295-$395. 327-5551, 569-7185

ALEX Mobile Homes & Rental Trucks, utilities on. 687-5276, 689-0226, 9-6

ATTENTION SOLDIERS
Qualify Immediately.
1 & 2BR w/cable. Next to Post
Call Gisela or Lisa:
689-4873

MOBILE HOMES FOR RENT 714

Clean 2 & 3BR, 10 mi. to Lawson Feild, $225-$325 mo. Call 855-4945

NEW TO THE AREA?
Need a Place to Live?
Look No More!
Call Denise or Sherri:
685-1414

TWO MONTHS FREE RENT! 2 & 3BR avail. Close to Post, Cols. & P.C. Also lots avail. 855-3486, 9-8.

2BR MOBILE HOME
$180/mo. 297-0898

800 RECREATIONAL VEHICLES

MOTORCYCLES FOR SALE 828

Archie's Harley-Davidson New & used bikes, parts, & motor clothes. 324-4294

FZR 600 '89, 8000 mi., real sharp & fast, $3000/Firm. 660-1337 or 324-8240 beep#

WANTED: DEAD or ALIVE: Used Harley Davidson Motorcycles. 706-324-4294

900 TRANSPORTATION

Index of Vehicle Abbreviations 911

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power steering - ps
power windows - pw
power brakes - pb
power door locks - pdl
automatic - auto
speed - sp
miles/mileage - mi
pickup truck - p/u
horsepower - hp
miles per gallon - mpg
air conditioner - air
convertible - conv.
door - dr
engine - eng.
excellent condition-exc cond
cassette - cass.
Chevrolet - Chevy
long bed - lb
short bed - sb
transmission - trans.
four wheel drive - 4wd
service records - svc. rec.
Volkswagen - VW
Continential - Cont.
Mercury - Merc.
original owner - orig. owner
high performance - hi-pro
conversion van - conv. van
aluminum - alum.
equipment - equip.
payments - pymts.
interior - int.
exterior - ext.
negotiable - neg.
cylinder - cyl.
extras - X-tras
dealer - dlr
front wheel drive - fwd
leave message - lv. msg.
factory warranty-fact. wrnty

TRACTORS & TRAILERS 912

21' FLATBED TRAILER, electric brakes & lights, $450. 298-4242

TRUCKS 914

ACTION BUILDINGS Leer Truck Tops & acc. Grand Opening Sale. New super store, indoor showroom mall. 3520 River Rd. & N. Expwy. Call 322-6607.

Chevy P/U '82 SWB, 350, 3spd, good shape, nice interior, $1800. 912-887-3810

Chevy Silverado '90, 4X4, extend cab, 350 V8, $12K. Call 660-0342

EL CAMINO '80, 350 V8, auto, air, ps, pb, $1900. Call 323-5435.

TRUCKS 914

Ford F-100 Pickup '71 $300. Call 689-8667

Ford F-150 XLT '91, 4x4, Lariat, Super cab, LOADED, custom ordered, RED, extras, low mi., $16,000. Call 298-4242

FORD F-350 '86, 4dr, 4 WD, 460, ps, cruise, tilt, red. $5200. Call 327-5357

Ford Longbed ¾-Ton '77 Auto, 351 M engine. $800. Call 324-0069

FORD P/U '73, $650 or best offer. 561-2915.

FORD '76 Work Truck 351 motor. $450. Call 989-3285

F-100 '83, LWB, auto, air, ps, pb, exc. cond., $2500. 323-5435

Mazda B2000 '92 5sp, emerald green, low mi., $12000. Call 323-6679 after 6pm

NISSAN PATHFINDER '87 68K miles, 5 spd. $7500. Call 687-4969 after 5:30

Toyota Pickup '84 extra cab, 5 spd, air, SWB. Excellent condition. $3700. 687-6328

TRUCK SERVICE PARTS, ACC 916

DURALINER, silver/grey, 2 years old, good condition. $200. Call 569-0033 lv msg.

BUSES/VANS FOR SALE 922

CHEVY Step Vans: 1977-16'; 1986-12'. Auto., ps, pb, both 350 engines. 563-7667

'89 CHEVY ASTRO VAN Auto., a/c, am/fm cass., pw, pdl, cruise, $9995. **Call Hal Maloof, 322-8888, ext. 500.**

Bill Heard Oldsmobile

AUTO SERVICE PARTS, ACC 926

Parting out '81 Chevy truck, 350 eng., $350; 400 Pontiac eng., $400. Call 855-2902

PONTIAC T-1000 motor & transmission, good cond., $300/offer. 687-9922.

AUTOS FOR SALE 930

AAA Bad Credit? Been Turned Down?
Auto Loans
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Bank and Finance Co.
Repos - multi lot inventories
Phone Mr. Singletary
(404) 687-0401
If you have a job & drivers license, I have a plan for you!

BONNEVILLE LE '84 $800. Call 327-9754

Chevy Camaro Rally Sport '92, V8, emerald green, loaded! low mi., $13500. 323-6679 after 6pm

CHEVY CELEBRITY '83 4dr, good cond., $1500. Call 689-0418

CHEVY MONTE CARLO '77, 1 family owned car, very good cond., $1495. 689-7339

Chrysler LeBaron '86 4dr hatchback, one-owner, clean. 327-1894 or 327-1927.

ONE OWNER '90 Chrysler 5th Ave. Triple white, loaded, X-clean. $8995. **Call J.R., 322-8888, ext. 500.**

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Chrystler Cordova '78, needs trans. work, very good tires, $600. Call 685-2889

COUGAR '84 Good running. $950. Call 297-5554

FORD Escort LX '92, white, mint cond., fact. wrnty. 17K mi. $8900. 563-3047 or 323-7821

FORD LTD '80, good shape, good fixer-upper. $800. Call 682-3826

Geo Prizm '91 4dr, auto, ac, 16 valves, loaded! low mi., clean, $6900. 561-4927

Honda Accord EX '90 low milage, exc. cond. Assume loan. Call 846-8094

HONDA ACCORD LX '92 like new, auto, air, cass., airbag, $14,200. 561-6794

Maverick 250 '74 4DR, as is! Asking $200. Call 298-7525

Mazda RX 7 '86 5sp., champagne, sunroof, like new! $4500. Call 561-4720

AUTOS FOR SALE 930

MAZDA 626 '81, 5sp., brown, a/c, am/fm cass., exc. cond., $1600. 569-8631

MERCURY COUGAR '87 low miles, loaded, gold, exc. cond. $4700. 327-7312

Mercury Marquis '79, 4DR, light blue, loaded, good cond., $1100. 480-9423, local

MONTE CARLO '86, 46K mi, like new, 4.3 auto. $3500. Call 561-1363

MUSTANG '89 GT red convertible, 5.0 w/turbo, many extras! Must drive to appreciate. $16K. 596-9504

NISSAN SENTRA '86, wagon, clean, new tires, a/c, am/fm, $2900. 569-8631

Olds Cutlass Supreme International '89, red, 2dr coupe, auto, air, am/fm cass, pw, pdl, remote, pow sunroof, like new, 649-7599

Olds Delta Eighty-Eight '79 $750. Call (706)582-3497

ONE OWNER '87 Olds Delta 88 Royale Brougham. Loaded, 36,000 mi. $8495. **Call Steve Hardin, 322-8888, ext. 500.**

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ONE OWNER '90 Olds 88 Royale. 42,000 actual mi., must see to appreciate. $10,995. **Call J.R., 322-8888, ext. 500.**

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ONE OWNER '89 Olds Ciera. 4dr, FE3, loaded. $6995. **Call Steve, 322-8888, ext. 500.**

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Pontiac Bonneville '85 4 dr, gold, air, p/s, p/b, cassette, exc. cond. 568-4926

'88 PONTIAC GRAND AM 4dr, auto., a/c, ps, pb, nice car. $5495. **Call Steve Hardin, 322-8888, ext. 500**

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ONE OWNER '89 Pontiac Grand Prix. Auto., a/c, ps, pb, am/fm stereo. $7995. **Call J.R., 322-8888, ext. 500**

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SUBARU GL-10 '86 Wagon, loaded, auto. trans., 1 owner, extra clean, 82K mi., $2995. 563-2810

TOYOTA COROLLA '78 2dr, 5sp, $425. Call 660-0684

TOYOTA MR-2 1987 Radio, new tires, $6300. Call 569-8236

'86 Honda Prelude SI, auto, air, ps, pb, cruise, loaded with other extras. Excellent shape! Make me an offer. Call 563-8418

SPORTS CARS FOR SALE 932

LOCAL ONE OWNER '91 Dodge Stealth RT. 12,000 one owner mi, loaded. $19,500. **Call Hal Maloof, 322-8888, ext. 500.**

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Monte Carlo SS '85, T-tops, V8, a/c, $4500. 687-1021 before 5pm or 298-9775.

'68 Corvette convertible 327, 4spd, AC, $9300. 660-1072, home or 596-3913, work

'86 300 ZX red, loaded, exc. cond., $6500/best offer. Call 323-2152

'86 300 ZX Turbo, charcoal gray, T-tops, leather int., all digital. $6,000/offer. 660-9159

CLASSIC & ANTIQUE AUTOS 934

FORD '71 F 250 XLT auto, air, stereo, 2 gas tanks, new tires, custom camper top, 1 owner, mint cond., $4500. 687-4667

IMPORTED AUTOS 936

BMW 528E '87, black 4dr, auto., 1 owner, exc. cond., all records, $8450. 324-6786

JAGUAR '79 XLJ6, Chevy V/8. A bargain at $3650. Call 322-3176

MERCEDES 380 SL '81 exc. cond., black/tan int., low milage, $17000. 322-3319

Mercedes 500 SEL '84, 72K mi., silver w/navy interior, all records. 322-0975

Ledger-Enquirer Classified Ads Call 322-4500

Mercedes '81 280SE, new tires, carb., paint & sound system. $10,000. 324-6335

AUTOS WANTED 940

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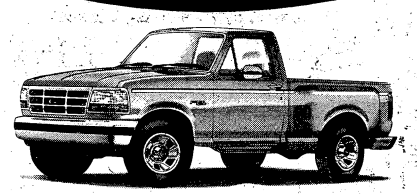

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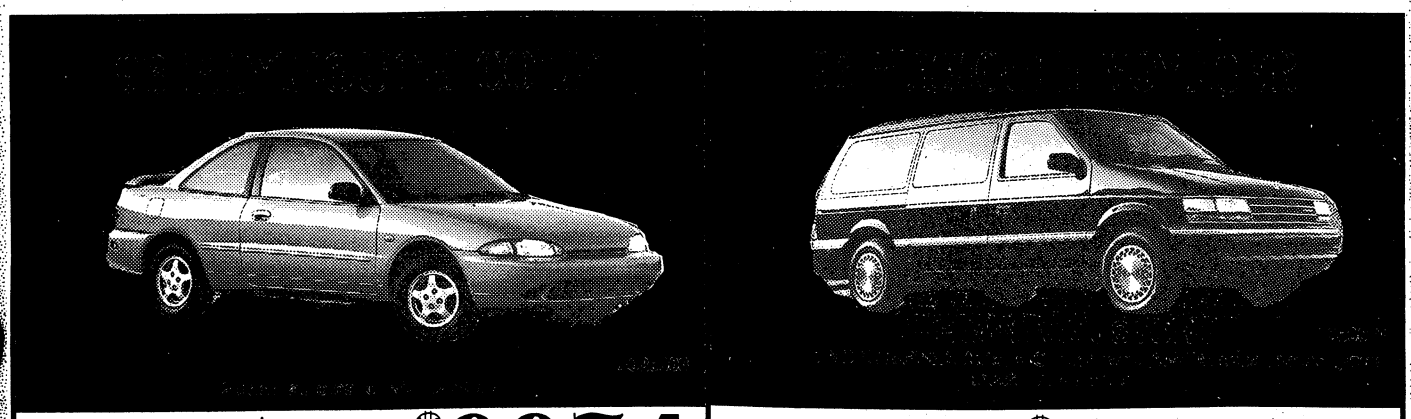

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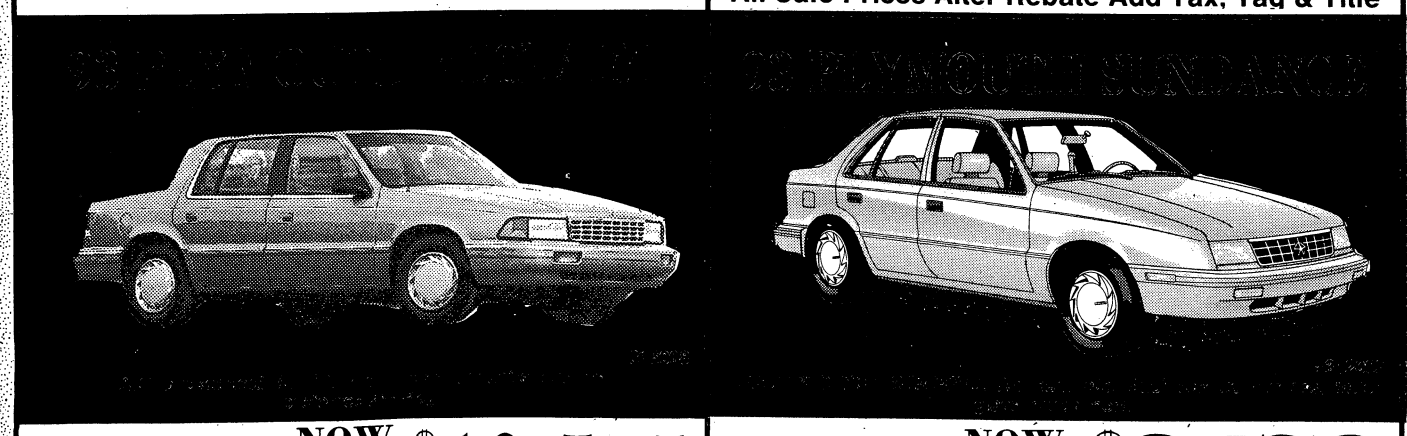

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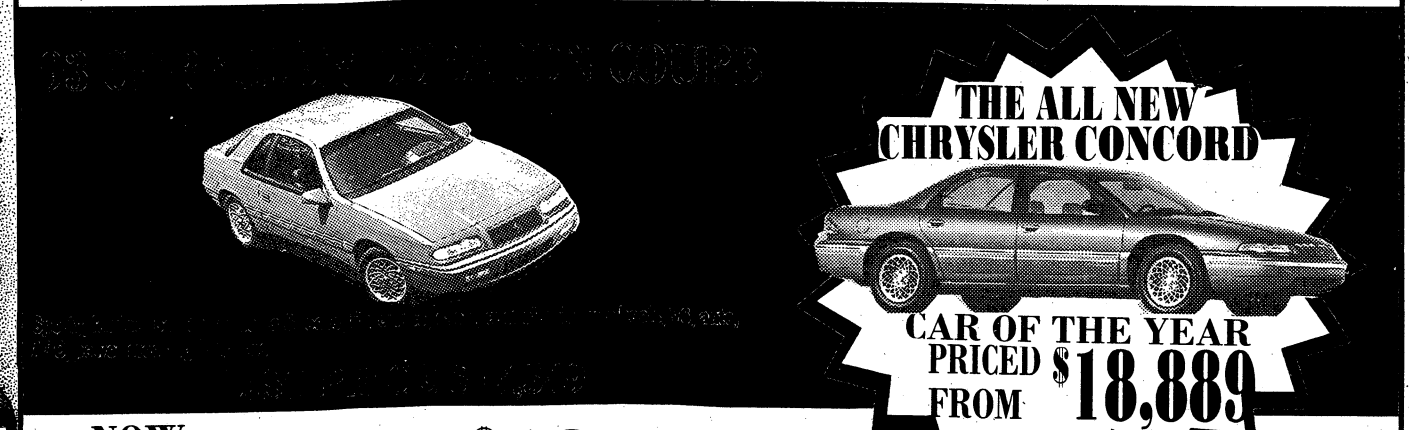

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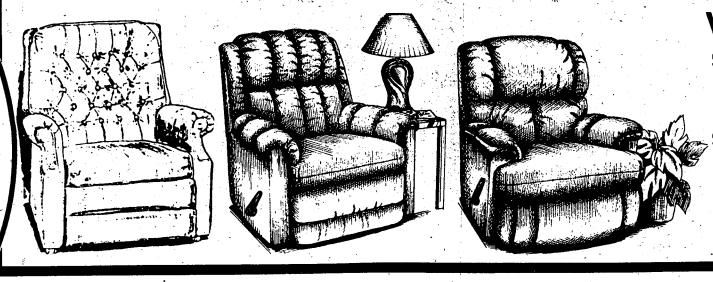

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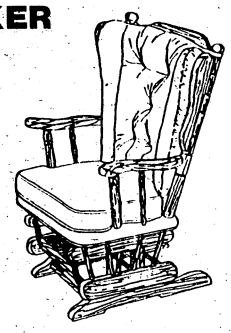
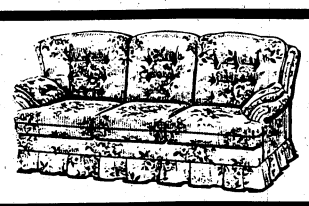
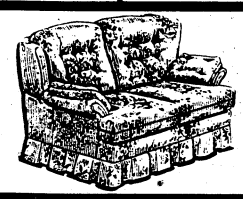


CLOSE-OUTS **SOFAS** $98-$198



CLOSE-OUTS **LOVESEATS** $98-$168



CLOSE-OUTS **CHAIRS** $68-$98

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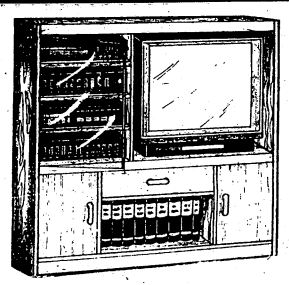

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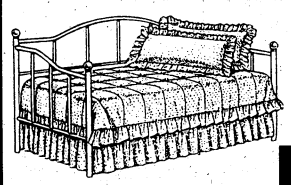

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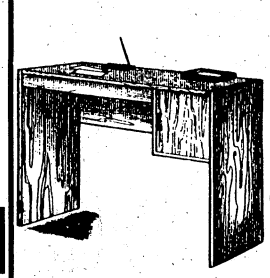

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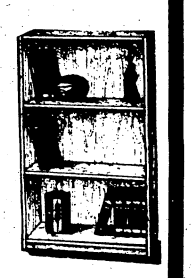

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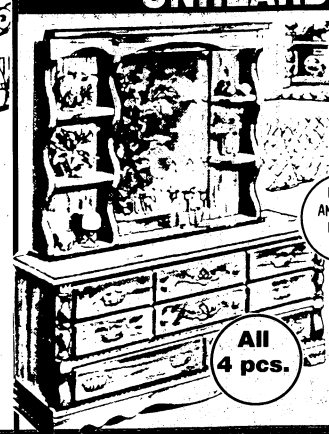

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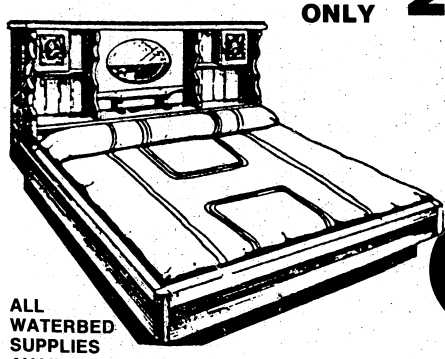

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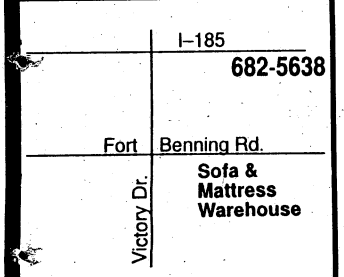

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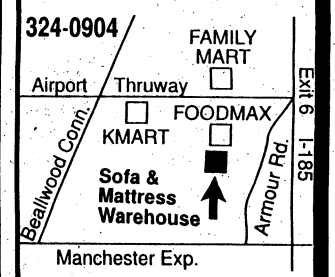

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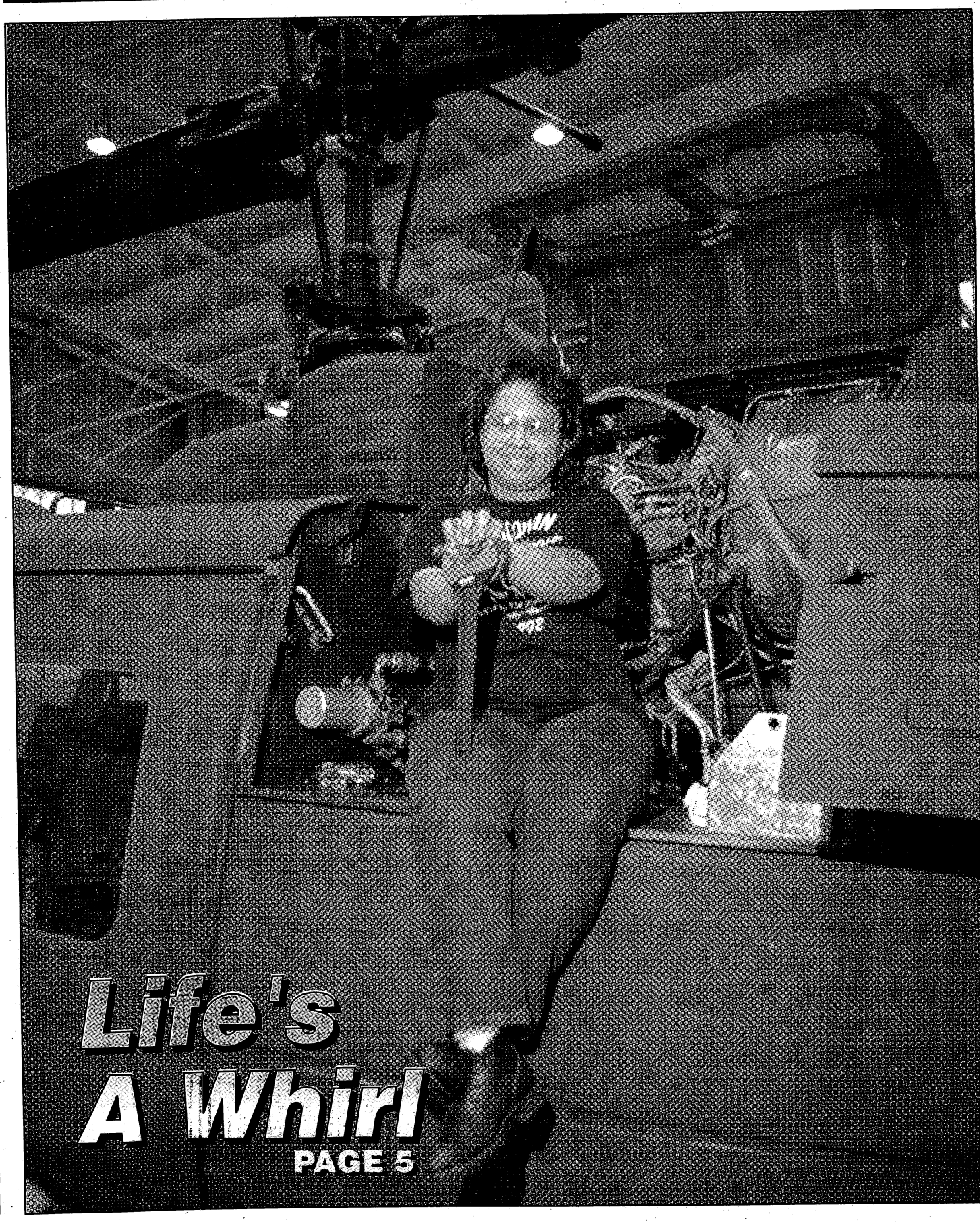

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COMMENTARY

A common danger forged the war's Grand Alliance

I believe it appropriate to pause at this point in this series to say a little about the Allied command structure and the several major conferences held during the war years during which grand strategy was developed.

Al Garland

The Grand Alliance, forged in war and essentially for war purposes, emerged in 1941-1942. It was a war marriage, a "marriage of expediency," one writer has called it. In effect, a common bond of danger drew the U.S., the United Kingdom and the Soviet Union together in 1941, although each member, as a result of differing traditions, policies, interests, geography and resources, looked at the war through a separate pair of spectacles.

Thus, Great Britain, the island empire dependent upon sea lanes for its very existence, was the first of the three partners to enter the war. It could be expected to throw its weight against any strong power that threatened to upset the balance on the continent. It could also be expected to intervene actively in the Mediterranean, the Middle East and the Far East.

The Soviet Union, the second of the three partners to become involved in the struggle, was a land power with completely internal lines of communication. It represented a new, restless, and dynamic force devoted to a political and economic ideology different from that of its western partners. It occupied an uneasy position in the partnership.

The U.S. — young, impatient, rich in resources, highly industrialized — was the country whose whole habit in war had been first to declare, then to prepare. It had strong bonds of culture, language and tradition with western Europe, especially with England. But because of the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor in December 1941, Japan appeared to many Americans to be the more natural enemy.

The U.S. had extensive interests in the Far East and a tradition of helping China. Throughout the war, the U.S. military staff and the President could never neglect the war in the east. This must be kept in mind, for it played an important part in the relations among the Big Three and in the strategy for the defeat of Germany.

Of course, there were other nations that had to be taken into consideration — France, Poland, the Netherlands, Canada, Australia, and New Zealand — and they, too, participated in what amounted to a limited partnership.

The inner web of the alliance, however, was the close relationship between the U.S. and Great Britain. The Soviet Union's part in developing and directing the combined strategy of the war was to be relatively small, and its primary relationship with its two partners consisted of demanding and receiving material aid and of pressure against the common enemy. Collaboration was to prove difficult.

The basis for close military association between the two Western Powers was laid well before Pearl Harbor. In fact, secret staff talks had been held in Washington in early 1941 from which came the so-called ABC Plans that called for cooperation between the two countries in the event the U.S. entered the war. In fact, the "Germany first" strategic concept came from these first meetings.

Then, just before Christmas 1941, after the Pearl Harbor attack, Prime Minister Winston Churchill and his principal military advisers arrived in Washington for the first of their great wartime conferences with the U.S. President and his staff.

Out of this conference — known by its code name ARCADIA — came the establishment in Washington in January 1943 of the Combined Chiefs of Staff (CCS) system, the permanent machinery for the day-to-day management of the war and for hammering out Allied strategy.

It was partly to supply opposite numbers to their British colleagues for membership in the combined organization that the U.S. Joint Chiefs of Staff (JCS) and the U.S. joint planning system came into being in 1942. As finally constituted, the JCS was composed of the President's Chief of Staff and the senior officers of the Army, Navy and Army Air Force (AAF). Adm. William D. Leahy was appointed as the President's chief of staff; the other members were Gen. George C. Marshall (Army chief of staff), Adm. Ernest J. King (chief of naval operations), and Gen. Henry H. Arnold (commanding general, AAF). These men served both as U.S. members of the CCS and as the President's chief military advisers. (The term "joint" applied to interservice affairs in the United Kingdom or the U.S.; the term "combined" applied to U.S.-British collaboration.)

Since the three principal British military officers — Field Marshall Sir Alan Brooke, Admiral of the Fleet Sir Dudley Pound, and Air Chief Marshal Sir Charles F.A. Portal — normally had to direct the operations of their services from London, they sent high-ranking representatives to Washington to function for them in the periods of time between the major conferences. Field Marshal Sir John Dill, head of this British Joint Staff Mission, sat as the fourth and senior British member of the CCS organization in Washington.

The CCS became a truly remarkable organization in which decisions were reached by common agreement; no votes were taken. Here, subject to the approval of the President and the Prime Minister, policies and plans were outlined; the timing of operations discussed; broad programs of war requirements, allocations of munitions, and requirements for transportation approved; and objectives measured against resources.

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VETERANS

New VA research center to study combat stress in women

From wire reports

BOSTON — The U.S. Veterans Administration plans to study combat stress in women, including the problems caused by sexual harassment and sexual assault, an official says.

The agency is opening a special facility to study women at the National Center for Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder in Boston, said Dr. Jessica Wolfe, director of the new center.

The research project will be the first coordinated, large-scale effort to examine the stressful effects of war on women, she said.

"On an informal grassroots basis, some VA medical centers have been doing a reasonably good job of treating women who knew to come to them," Wolfe said. "But there have been no formal programs for women. There have been no formal (standards for) evaluation of their symptoms."

Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder is a treatable reaction to severe trauma, with symptoms ranging from intrusive memories and nightmares to depression, anxiety and anger.

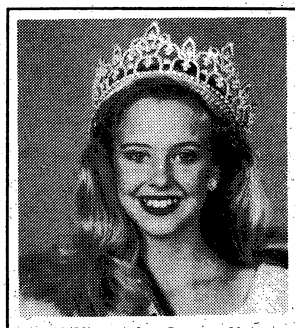
It occurs in rape victims and survivors of crashes and natural disasters, but is most often linked with male soldiers who had difficulty adjusting after returning from Vietnam.

It has been determined that some female nurses who served in Vietnam suffered from PTSD, because they had seen more severe injuries and death than the average combat soldier.

But, Wolfe said, it has widely been assumed that women who suffer from PTSD will have the same symptoms as men.

"There are aspects of traumatic exposure in military women that have never been recognized. And when women vets have developed symptoms, the cause has gone unrecognized. In many cases, they have been diagnosed as having personality or character disorders," she said.

Carolyn Becraft, a former U.S. Army captain and the author of several reports on women's roles in the military, was pleased with the decision to study women's war experiences.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PROFILE

Helicopter career has been a whirl

Estrada was one of first women in Marines to repair choppers

By Jerry Rutledge
Leader Editor

Barbara Estrada will always remember the words of her first Marine boss, even if his first name escapes memory now, more than a decade after the incident.

Estrada, an engine mechanic, was one of the first females in the service to work in this previously all-male specialty. Much to the chagrin of a certain gunnery sergeant.

"Gunnery Sgt. Stephens, my first day there, told me exactly how he felt. At least he was honest," Estrada said. "He said, 'I'm going to tell you right now, I don't like women in the Marines. I don't have no use for you and as soon as I can, I'm going to get you out of my shop."

But Estrada wasn't about to let negative attitudes affect her performance and stifle her productivity. By the end of her tour at Andrews Air Force Base, her work had made Stephens a believer.

Now a former Marine and a crack helicopter engine mechanic in Shop 4 of the aviation maintenance branch at Fort Benning, Estrada has encountered no such problems at Fort Benning.

The physical demands of the job do not bother her. "It used to be hard for me to lift, but not anymore. I've gotten much stronger from doing the work," Estrada said.

One of three female mechanics in the shop (Mona McClellan is a basic helicopter mechanic and Kathy Taylor is an avionics mechanic), she's part of a thriving, highly efficient unit.

"All the people are really cooperative here and I think we all work very well together," Estrada, a single mother of two said. "My supervisors are very helpful and it's really a good work situation."

Estrada leads a very demanding lifestyle.

At home, she's the single mother of two pre-teen children, eight-year-old Erika and six-year-old John.

At work, Estrada is the only helicopter engine mechanic working in what was previously a two-mechanic area. And the workload is very demanding.

The aviation maintenance department repairs engines ranging from the T-700 (for Army Blackhawks and Apaches) to the T-53 (Hueys and Cobras). The area the Fort Benning works covers a large part of the Southeast — westward to Vicksburg, Miss., southward to Orlando, Fla. and north and east as far as Fort Jackson, S.C.

In this area, Estrada is the only helicopter engine mechanic. Most "customers" transport their machines to Fort Benning for repair, but it's not unusual for Estrada to travel to take care of an engine.

The physical demands of the job do not bother her. "It used to be hard for me to lift, but not anymore. I've gotten much stronger from doing the work," Estrada said. "Really, it's a very good situation. A lot of women worry about it — 'Oh, I'm going to get dirty' — but you can afford all the soap that you want. It washes off. It's not going to kill you.

"There are certain things that we do (that can be a problem). On the Huey engine, there is a seal behind the starter. When the seal leaks, I have to replace that seal and it's in an awkward position. You have to be in that position for a long time, the starter is heavy. That's the one thing I hate to do more than anything at all."

Her other "peeve" is motion sickness. "They (her co-workers) really have a good time with me about that," Estrada said. "It has to be mental, because I start getting sick before I'm even in the helicopter."

Olen Anderson, the general foreman in Shop 4, lauds Estrada's work. "She knows her job and performs it extremely well," Anderson said. "She's the only mechanic in a two-mechanic area, so there's some things she can't get to or get to quickly. But she does an excellent job, as do our other two women." Andy Carroll, her immediate supervisor, agrees. He worked beside Estrada before getting a promotion. "I think she's as good as any helicopter engine mechanic I've ever worked with," he said.

Estrada harbored no dreams of mechanic work growing up in Columbus. Her mother died when she was only eight years old, leaving the youngest of six children to be raised by her sister, Mrs. Willie Mae Austin.

She grew up a very confident person. "No one ever told me 'No, you can't do that' or 'You're not capable of being that,'" Estrada said. "All of my older sisters and brothers are very accomplished."

Estrada graduated from Carver High School and joined the Marines after scoring high on the ASVAB tests (Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery). She did boot camp at Paris Island, S.C., and trained in her specialty at Milligan, Tenn.

As a Marine, she worked at Andrews Air Force Base (home of the president's fleet) in Maryland and at El Toro, Calif. "Those were the two places I stayed the longest. I had deployments to others like Arizona and Las Vegas," Estrada said. She added that everyone wanted a Las Vegas deployment.

Estrada says her long-range plans are college and a degree in education. "I'm really not sure I want to do this for the rest of my life," she said. "I think I'd like teaching young kids. My children are growing up knowing that I plan for college to be their future."

By Joe Maher/The Benning Leader

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Barbara Estrada

Age: 31.

Hometown: Columbus, Ga.

Family: Daughter Erika, 8; son John, 6.

Past: One of the first group of female Marines to work in former all-male specialties (aviation mechanics).

Present: Helicopter engine mechanic at Fort Benning's aviation maintenance branch.

Future: Working on a college degree in education and "being a good mother, not necessarily in that order."

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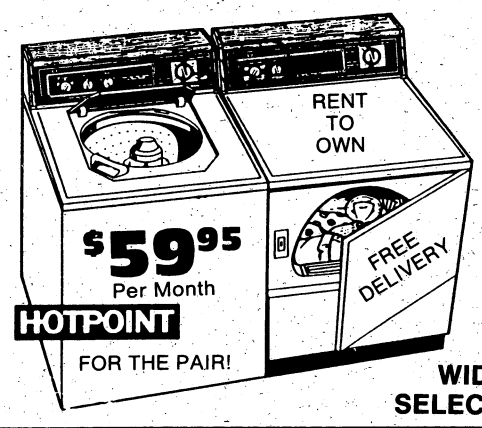

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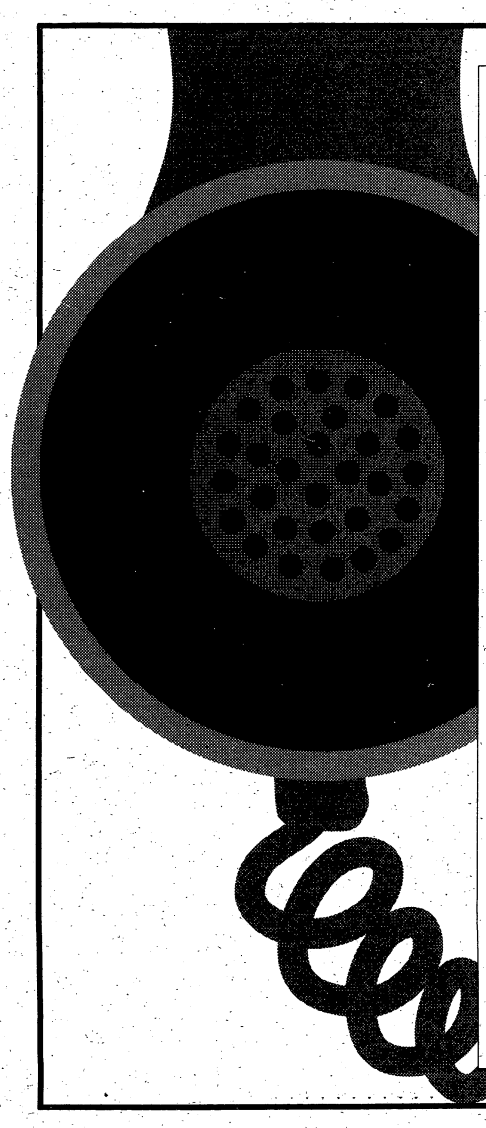

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'Few Good Men' bounces back to the top in nation's theaters

From wire reports

LOS ANGELES — "A Few Good Men," a courtroom drama with no stunts and no sex, continues to pack them in at the box office, finishing first during four of the last five weekends and selling nearly $100 million in tickets.

"A Few Good Men" moved back into the top spot last weekend with a $9 million take, according to figures released Monday by Exhibitor Relations Co. Inc. "Aladdin," which was No. 1 the week before, was second at $8.4 million and "Scent of a Woman" was third with $6.5 million.

To date, "A Few Good Men" has earned $90.3 million.

Its success shows that audiences don't always crave films spilling over with car chases, romantic escapades or exploding buildings.

In fact, the film's star, Tom Cruise, said last week that there is so much talking in "A Few Good Men" that even he didn't understand all the dialogue on first listen. He said the talkiness — the way certain characters use language — is part of the story.

Jack Nicholson in 'A Few Good Men.'

"With the legal jargon, you really have to be able to wrap it around your lips and say it fast," Cruise said. "Even if somebody might not know the definition of certain words, they understand what's going on in that scene."

Here are the estimated top ticket sales last Friday through Sunday, according to Exhibitor Relations, with distributor, weekend gross, number of theater locations, average per location, total gross and number of weeks in release.

1. "A Few Good Men," Columbia, $9 million, 2,201 locations, $4,095 per location, $90.3 million, five weeks.
2. "Aladdin," Disney, $8.4 million, 2,316 locations, $3,641 per location, $126.2 million, nine weeks.
3. "Scent of a Woman," Universal, $6.5 million, 1,083 locations, $5,980 per location, $8.1 million, three weeks.
4. "The Bodyguard," Warner Bros., $5.2 million, 1,747 locations, $2,996 per location, $95.8 million, seven weeks.
5. "Forever Young," Warner Bros., $4.6 million, 1,710 locations, $2,667 per location, $39.9 million, four weeks.
6. "Home Alone 2: Lost in New York," 20th Century Fox, $4.5 million, 2,166 locations, $2,060 per location, $151.7 million, eight weeks.
7. "Chaplin," TriStar, $3.3 million, 1,066 locations, $3,061 per location, $3.6 million, three weeks.
8. "Leprechaun," Trimark, $2.49 million, 620 locations, $4,021 per location, $2.5 million, one week.
9. "Hoffa," 20th Century Fox, $2.48 million, 1,103 locations, $2,254 per location, $19.6 million, three weeks.
10. "The Distinguished Gentleman," Disney, $2.1 million, 1,539 locations, $1,349 per location, $41.5 million, six weeks.
11. "Leap of Faith," Paramount, $2 million, 1,487 locations, $1,326 per location, $19.2 million, four weeks.
12. "Toys," 20th Century Fox, $1.3 million, 1,149 locations, $1,130 per location, $20.1 million, four weeks.
13. "The Crying Game," Miramax, $1.2 million, 135 locations, $9,110 per location, $6.2 million, seven weeks.
14. "A River Runs Through It," Columbia, $1.02 million, 740 locations, $1,382 per location, $36.3 million, 14 weeks.
15. "Trespass," Universal, $1.03 million, 942 locations, $1,065 per location, $11.4 million, three weeks.

At the movies

Listings for Jan. 15-21

TODAY

Under Siege (R) 7 p.m., Sand Hill

Captain Ron (PG-13) 7 p.m., Main Post

Jennifer 8 (R) 9 p.m., Main Post

SATURDAY

Sneakers (PG-13) 2 p.m., Sand Hill

Mr. Baseball (PG-13) 2 p.m., Main Post

The Last of the Mohicans (R) 6:30 p.m., Sand Hill

Candyman (R) 7 p.m., Main Post

Dracula (R) 9 p.m., Main Post

SUNDAY

Glengarry Glen Ross (R) 2 p.m., Sand Hill

Mr. Baseball (PG-13) 2 p.m., Main Post

Sneakers (PG-13) 4 p.m., Sand Hill

Zebrhead (R) 7 p.m., Main Post

MONDAY

Dracula (R) 7 p.m., Main Post

TUESDAY

Candyman (R) 7 p.m., Main Post

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Zebrhead (R) 7 p.m., Main Post

THURSDAY

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"LEAP OF FAITH" PG13 2:15 4:30 7:15 9:30 — No Disc. Tkts.
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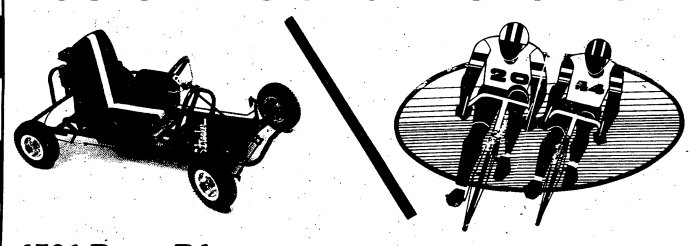

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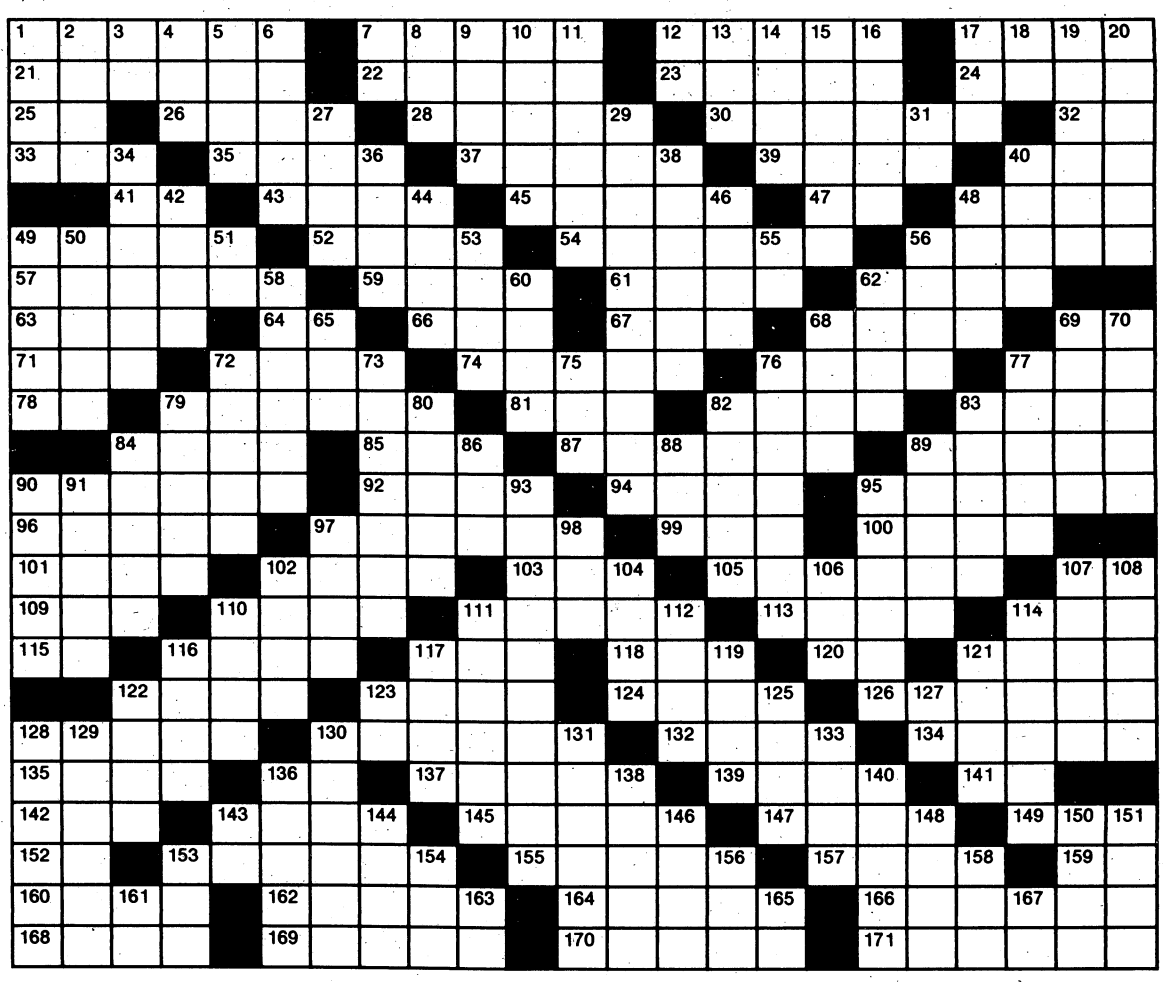

Crossword puzzle answer on Page 11

ACROSS

1 Affluence
7 Shoreline
12 Antlered animals
17 Simians
21 Make certain
22 Pertaining to the cheek
23 "— Attraction"
24 Young horse
25 At home
26 Delude; trick
28 Irritated
30 Courteous
32 A, E, —, —, U
33 Gave food to
35 Heroic event
37 More docile
39 "On Golden —"
40 Bother
41 Guido's low note
43 Classify
45 Lavishes fondness (on)
47 Word of approval
48 Strip off (skin)
49 Damp; moist
52 "Cheers" regular
54 Soften in temper
56 Pasteboards
57 Beg
59 Indigent
61 Mature
62 Nimbus
63 Hurried
64 Marinaro ID
66 Pedal digit
67 Encountered
68 Mud
69 "— 109"
71 TV's Koppel
72 District in Germany
74 Coy
76 Ravelings
77 Enemy
78 Hesitation sound
79 Make melancholy
81 Goldberg role in "Sister Act"
82 Datum
83 Profit
84 "Bagdad —"
85 Weaken
87 Ridicule
89 "— Faith"
90 Mathers TV role
92 Hebrew measure
94 Auction word
95 Sows
96 Roof edges
97 Yarn used for embroidery
99 Sandra or Ruby
100 Kiln
101 Life stages
102 Collapsible beds
103 AFL- —
105 Submerges in water
107 Therefore
109 Legal matter
110 Ordinances
111 "The — Prince of Bel Air"
113 Lean-to
114 Water- —
115 Phys.
116 An Elliott
117 Petition
118 Turf
120 "— Mom"
121 Semi-precious stone
122 Separate
123 Fiber plant
124 — Minor
126 Staid
128 African antelope
130 Small; little
132 Decorate
134 Famed
135 — in Peace
136 Greek letter
137 Walt — Disney
139 Stumble
141 Concerning
142 Informer
143 Is ill
145 Chemical dye
147 Shut with force
149 Haggard heroine
152 King of Bashan
153 Roar
155 River in Africa
157 Difficulty
159 Mr. Pacino
160 Regulation
162 Uncanny
164 Bert Parks, for one
166 "The — of Rosie O'Neill"
168 Chair
169 Platform
170 Scraped together
171 Lawmaking body

DOWN

1 Homeless child
2 Anglo-Saxon slave
3 Thus
4 Haul with effort
5 "— Grit"
6 Aids
7 Centimeter: abbr.
8 Bireme necessity
9 Landed
10 Dinner course
11 Earthquake
12 Field ID
13 Hit lightly
14 Above and touching
15 Awkward fellow: slang
16 Move stealthily
17 King topper
18 Italian river
19 Omitted from pronunciation
20 Backless seats
27 King of beasts
29 Sets limits to
31 Danson ID
34 Unloaded
36 Cut
38 Depended
40 Danish island
42 Bound
44 Jog
46 Clan
48 Wan
49 In — (without enough care)
50 Higher
51 Prosecutor: abbr.
53 Debatable
55 Neon symbol
56 Vehicle
58 Conductor
60 Check
62 Clue
65 Insane
68 Rodents
69 Tapering end
70 Cares for
72 Vaults
73 Vacation places
75 Mire
76 Climbing devices
77 Swoon
79 Rescues
80 Titles
82 Set in order
83 Det. Harris on "Barney Miller"
84 Hollow places
86 Church bench
88 Singer Stewart
89 Smooth and soothing
90 Whiskers
91 Ardent
93 Diversion; play
95 Actress Stefanie
97 Farm animals
98 Falsehood
102 "— a Giant Shadow"
104 Greek peak
106 Unit of electrical resistance
107 Decrepit horse: slang
108 Lubricated
110 Fat of swine
111 Useless
112 Vast throng
114 Freshets
116 Jargon
117 Location
119 Soil
121 Aroma
122 Time gone by
123 Sch. course
125 Broadcasts
127 — garde
128 Mistakes
129 "Major —"
130 Young hen
131 Simpler
133 Cry over spilt —
136 "Psycho" star
138 Another 136 Across
140 Trousers
143 Diphthong
144 North American
146 Between torso and head
148 Additional
150 Stop
151 Otherwise
153 Wager
154 Hairpiece
156 Female ruff
158 Sn is its symbol
161 "— Law"
163 Estrada ID
165 Mr. Sullivan
167 Rough lava

Airline offers permanent discounts for families, groups

From wire reports

EAGAN, Minn. — Northwest Airlines is offering permanent reduced fares aimed at families and other passengers who travel in groups.

The move slashes the lowest advance-purchase ticket prices by as much as 40 percent for groups of four or more starting today.

Officials at other major carriers said they wanted to see more details of the Eagan-based airline's discount before deciding whether to make similar offers.

"Leisure travelers, and in particular families, need a basic fare structure that is more affordable and rewards and benefits them for the amount of travel they are purchasing," said Michael Levine, executive vice president for marketing at Northwest.

Called "Take Along" fares by the airline, the new ticket prices offer 20 percent savings off Northwest's rates for groups of two traveling together, 30 percent for groups of three and 40 percent for groups of four or more.

Northwest said Monday that the non-refundable "Take Along" tickets require a 14-day advance purchase and a Saturday night stay. Passengers must travel on the same itinerary to qualify.

"What we're trying to do with the Take Along fares is address an issue that exists for all airlines in the industry: How do we, in a soft market, stimulate leisure travel without slitting our own necks?" said Doug Miller, a Northwest spokesman.

Northwest nearly did that last summer when it offered a two-for-one deal aimed at families called "Grown Ups Fly Free."

American Airlines responded by cutting all fares in half in an effort to preserve its fledgling simplified pricing system, touching off a fare war that contributed to nearly $2 billion in losses last year.

Analysts said Monday they expected other carriers will have to follow Northwest's lead in some form.

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OPERATION RESTORE HOPE

Benning engineers say their goodbyes, leave for Somalia

From staff reports

Goodbyes were the order during the last week as elements of the 36th Engineer Group began its deployment to Somalia, the nation on the east coast of Africa where the United States, under the auspices of the United Nations, is spearheading a relief effort called Operation Restore Hope.

Allen Anderson has been a "card-carrying military dependent" for all but 10 days of her approximately 40 years of age. Even so, she said, goodbyes don't get any easier.

"This is America's Christmas present to Somalia," said Army Chaplain Dale Forrester. "We're the difference between life and death for these people."

Mrs. Anderson was at Lawson Field when she gave her husband, Col. Philip Anderson, a hug and a couple of kisses, salted with tears. Daughter Sarah, 19, and a college freshman, said her tears "will probably come later, when we get the first letter, maybe."

The Andersons were seeing their husband and father, the commander of the 36th Engineer Group, off to join other troops as part of Operation Restore Hope in Somalia. Anderson was in the advance party leaving for Somalia Jan. 7. His party of 10 was joined by approximately 55 others later in the day.

Flights later in the week sent 350 troops on Sunday and another 150 early Monday as the 36th moved closer to the expected 1,000 troop force slated for the operation. The charter flights were expected to make stops in New York, Shannon, Ireland and West Cairo, Egypt, before reaching Somalia, said Fort Benning spokesman Al Blanchard.

Benning officials say the next projected movement of troops to Somalia is at least two weeks away. Such plans, of course, are subject to change with little or no notice.

"This is America's Christmas present to Somalia," said Army Chaplain Dale Forrester, in between snapping pictures during a departure last Sunday. "It's a great mission. We're the difference between life and death for these people."

Their duties will be to build bridges and roads along supply routes, improve runways on which transport planes can land, help build temporary facilities for soldiers to live in during the deployment and help set up food distribution centers, according to Fort Benning sources.

The deployment is expected to last from six to eight months.

Fort Benning commander Maj. Gen. Jerry A. White, in a brief farewell ceremony before the advance party's departure, said he knows these troops "will do an outstanding job for your country." He pointed out that many of these soldiers were involved in Desert Shield/Desert Storm and the cleanup in Florida in the aftermath of Hurricane Andrew.

The general told the troops that he will see that their families are cared for while the soldiers are in Africa. "They will not want for anything as long as you're away and I'm here . . . and I'll keep the light on for you," he said.

Mrs. Anderson, a self-described former "military brat," has been married to Col. Anderson for 22 years. But this is the first time she's sent him off to where at least some hot lead is likely to be flying — "except for Grenada." In Grenada, Col. Anderson went in some three weeks behind the lead troops.

Staff writers Clint Claybrook and Ed Hall contributed to this report.

By Richard Thomason/The Benning Leader

Spc. Dennis Baltezell and his new bride, Angela, share a moment Sunday before the soldier's departure.

By Richard Thomason/The Benning Leader

Troops line up for ceremonies before boarding the plane at Lawson Army Airfield Sunday.

300 troops from Stewart move out

From wire reports

FORT STEWART, Ga. — About 300 soldiers from Fort Stewart and Hunter Army Airfield left Monday to assist in famine relief efforts in Somalia.

The soldiers are members of the 110th Quartermaster Supply Company and the 226th Supply and Services Company. They had been on alert since early December.

Fort Stewart officials said the units will remain in Somalia indefinitely.

Another 600 Fort Stewart soldiers, members of the 92nd Engineer Battalion, had been scheduled to go to Somalia, but their orders were canceled last week because of a reduced need for U.S. troops.

ON POST

Benning troops aren't headed to Mideast

By Clint Claybrook
Staff Writer

More than 5,000 Fort Benning soldiers were involved in the 1991 Persian Gulf War, but none apparently will be involved in follow-ups to Wednesday's air strikes in Saddam Hussein's country.

"They won't be from Georgia," a Central Command spokesman said of members of a battalion task force ordered into Kuwait by President George Bush following strikes on Iraqi missile sites.

Those troops — maybe as many as 1,100 of them — will come from the 1st Cavalry Division at Fort Hood, Texas, the Army said.

Spokesmen at Fort Benning and Fort Stewart, Ga., and Fort Rucker, Ala., said there was no indication troops from any of those posts would be involved in the new force being sent to Kuwait.

Gen. Joseph Hoar, the Marine boss of the Central Command at MacDill Air Force Base, Fla., said however, that there are some 300 Special Operations Command troops — which could include Army Rangers — currently attached to his command. That could mean that some Rangers might be involved, but the Rangers never acknowledge such participation until after the fact. If Rangers are used, they would come from Fort Benning, Fort Lewis, Wash., or Hunter Army Airfield, near Savannah.

Hundreds of Fort Benning troops would have been familiar with the geography of two of the U.N. coalition's Wednesday air strikes. Basra and Tallil Air Base were engraved in 24th Infantry Division troops' minds during the 100-hour ground war that was part of Desert Storm, the 1991 invasion of Iraq.

Hoar said that "missile complexes" near the air base and the town of Basra were among those hit on Wednesday.

It was at Tallil Air Base that elements of the Fort Benning-based brigade wiped out several aircraft on the ground and were involved in a fierce firefight during the ground war in late February, 1991.

Near Basra, on the way out of Iraq, soldiers from the 36th Engineer Group were involved in blowing up ammunition bunkers they estimated contained 4.1 million rounds of Iraqi ammunition, including huge artillery shells and rockets.

Benning troops may not be headed back to the Middle East, but some 500 soldiers from the 36th Engineer Group are in Somalia, helping out with Operation Restore Hope, and about 450 more are on alert for deployment sometime after Jan. 20.

General to speak at King ceremony

Maj. Gen. Fred A. Gorden is the scheduled speaker at Fort Benning's commemorative service for Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. this morning at 11:30 in Infantry Hall's Marshall Auditorium.

Gorden, 52, is a native of Anniston, Ala. and is a graduate of the United States Military Academy at West Point, N.Y. Gorden has numerous awards and decorations including the Defense Distinguished Service Medal, the Army Distinguished Service Medal, the Legion of Merit and two awards of the Bronze Star.

Gorden and his wife, Marcia, have two children.

'A Blue Christmas'

The Follow Me Chapter of the 1st Cavalry Division Association participated in the the Columbus-Phenix City Bi-City Christmas Parade in December. The theme was "A Blue Christmas Without You" because of the many military families celebrating Christmas without family members. A float decorated with a "Follow Me" Chapter sign and 1st Cavalry Division colors highlighted the effort.

Crossword answer

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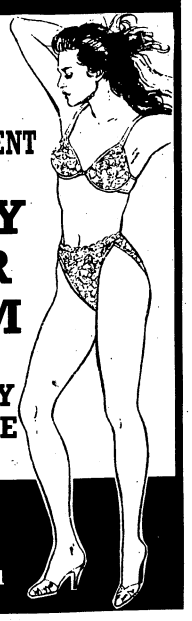
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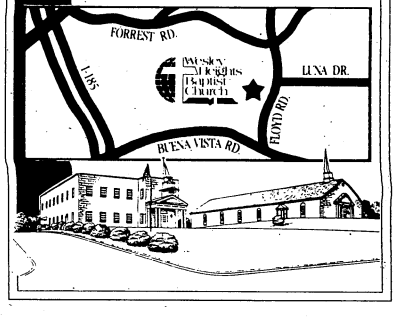

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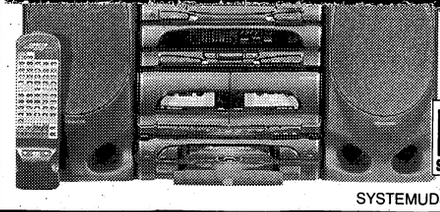

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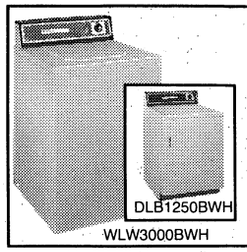

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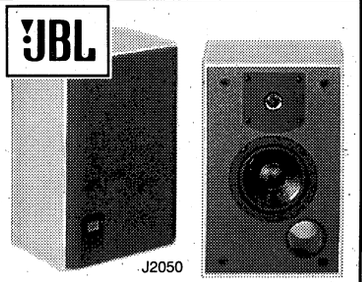

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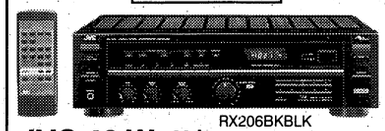

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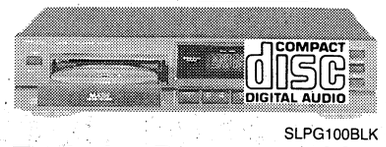

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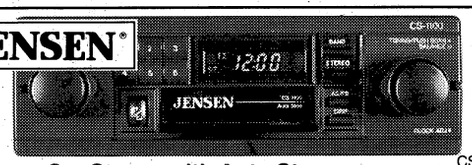

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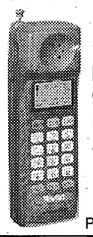

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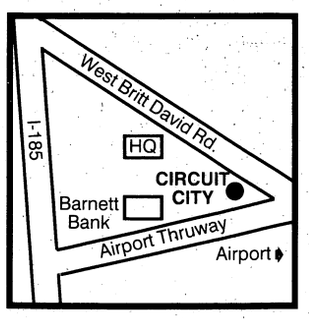

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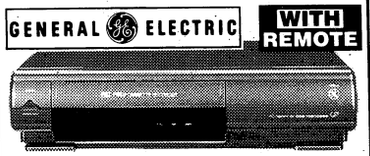

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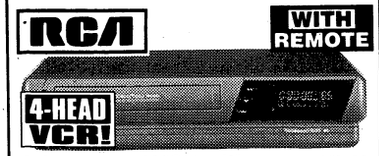

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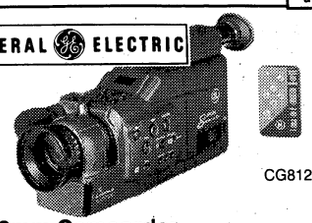

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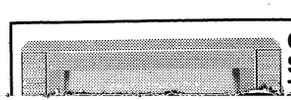

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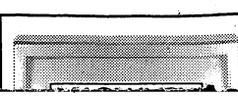

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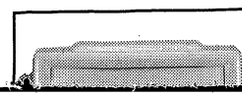

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CHAMPUS review program kicks in

Pre-admission OK needed in some cases

By Linda Bosley Dailey
Staff Writer

A new medical review program, in place since Jan. 1, requires health care providers to get authorization before admitting CHAMPUS beneficiaries to a civilian hospital for certain procedures or certain illnesses.

The pre-admission authorization is required on about 10 procedures or diagnoses the Department of Defense selected for regular review. "Those are typically over-utilized procedures," said Sylvia Sullivan, a spokeswoman for the Civilian Health and Medical Program of the Uniformed Services (CHAMPUS).

Previously, CHAMPUS had its contractors conduct a retrospective review — one done after admission — on those 10 procedures and diagnoses, Sullivan said.

The responsibility for getting authorization is the provider's, said Mark Camille, director of CHAMPUS Coordinated Care with HealthCare COMPARE Corp.

HealthCare COMPARE Corp. is the firm contracted to serve as the CHAMPUS Regional Review Center. As such, the firm reviews the requests for admission within CHAMPUS's southeast region, which includes Georgia, Alabama, Florida, Mississippi, Tennessee and part of Kentucky.

The reviews are done to ensure the procedures and admissions are necessary and appropriate. Although the reviews may help control costs, the primary goal of instituting a pre-admission authorization program is to ensure quality of care, Camille said.

As regional review center, HealthCare COMPARE also reviews records for accuracy and investigates patients' reports about quality of care problems.

If the request for admission meets certain criteria, permission is granted immediately over the telephone, he said. In emergencies, the provider has two work days after admission to call and obtain authorization.

Providers already have been notified that pre-admission authorization is required. HealthCare COMPARE officials will begin meeting with beneficiaries here within the next couple of months to explain the program, Camille said.

The program probably won't bring any great changes for beneficiaries or significantly delay admissions, Camille said.

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But if the HealthCare COMPARE employee cannot grant immediate approval, he or she forwards the request to a member of the panel of physicians the company has established. The panel physician usually provides an answer within 48 hours, Camille said.

If the request is denied, patients and providers may appeal the decision. Information on appeal procedures will be among the topics discussed with beneficiaries during the meetings to be held here later, Camille said. That information should also be available at the hospital.

The appeal process, which includes having another physician on the regional panel to review the request, takes 30 days, Camille said.

CHAMPUS beneficiaries who have questions about the pre-admission authorization procedures may call HealthCare COMPARE, which is based in the Chicago suburb of Downers Grove, Ill., at 1-800-824-3570.

The procedures and illnesses for which pre-admission authorization must be obtained are simple pneumonia, bronchitis/asthma, coronary artery bypass, angioplasty/endarterectomy, cardiac catheterization, gastritis/dehydration, abortion, biliary tract operation, Caesarean section, hysterectomy or any uterine incision and neonatal complications that require newborns to remain in the hospital after birth, Camille said.

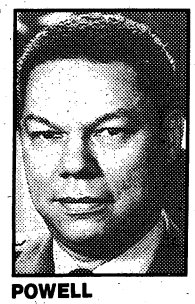
The pre-admission review requirement went into effect in four other CHAMPUS regions last May.

Powell visits city, praises its progress

By Jerry Rutledge
Leader Editor

Remembering the past and looking toward the future, Joint Chiefs of Staff chairman Gen. Colin L. Powell gave praise to progress Fort Benning, Columbus and Phenix City has made since he served here in the mid-60s. Fort Benning-Columbus in the 1960s was a city encumbered by segregation, so encumbered that a young black New Yorker assigned to the post had problems finding adequate living accommodations, either on post or off.

Times have indeed changed. Powell, three decades later, could see just how much as he addressed a multiracial crowd of 1,300 people attending the Columbus Chamber of Commerce's annual meeting Jan. 7 at the Iron Works Convention & Trade Center.


POWELL

"I was here during those early days in the early sixties, when we were debating issues of public accommodations and human rights for all citizens," Powell said. "I was here when the Civil Rights Act of 1964 was signed and the Voting Rights Act of 1965 came off and began to bring to an end the dark period of intolerance and segregation that was holding our nation back.

"It is well to remember those days . . . to see how far we have come," Powell said. The general came back Thursday, attending (with his wife Alma) the naming of a road in Phenix City in his honor, visiting with Fort Benning commander Maj. Gen. Jerry A. White and soldiers from the 36th Engineer Group and delivering his address at the chamber meeting.

During his address, the general said the highlight was his visit with the engineer group, a unit ticketed for imminent deployment to Somalia in Operation Restore Hope.

"I stood up on a stack of plywood to let them know how very, very proud all of America is of their sacrifice and the contribution they are making," Powell said.

"If those youngsters don't make you proud to be an American, you need to go to your lawn, lay down and let someone throw dirt on you, because you're dead," he said to the applause of the audience.

In a far-ranging speech that touched on all the major issues of the day — from the relief effort in Somalia to the one in Bosnia-Herzegovenia, from Iraq's persistent challenges to those facing the military in the post-Cold War world — the four-star general pounded home the consistent message that the United States is and must remain the dominant military power in the Free World.

Powell, who is approaching the end of his second term as chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, did not sound like a person contemplating leaving public service soon.

The 34-year military man spoke of the challenges facing the new Clinton administration. He acknowledged the fact that the defense establishment will command a smaller share of the nation's budget. But the general insisted that downsizing "this exquisite force" must not result in a loss in commitment to the military's excellence, excellence he said was demonstrated in operations Desert Storm, Just Cause and, now, in Restore Hope.

By Allen Horne/The Benning Leader
Gen. Colin Powell shakes hands with retired Maj. Freeman Horner, a Phenix City resident who won the Medal of Honor for his exploits in Vietnam, upon arrival at Lawson Army Airfield Jan. 7

Powell briefly touched on the most recent potential crisis involving Iraq. The United States and other coalition powers had stood down an Iraqi challenge to the "no-fly zone" below the 32nd parallel in Shiite Muslim-dominated southern Iraq.

"Iraq once again (is) misbehaving, Iraq once again is wondering if they can challenge us without us responding," said Powell. "The answer to that is absolutely not." Again, the audience rose in applause.

Powell said the United States' commitment to Europe must remain strong, even though the number of soldiers on the continent has been cut in half since he became chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff in 1989.

"Even though the Red Army is gone, even though the Soviet Union is gone, NATO continues to provide the basis for stability in the West," said Powell. "America must remain a firm member of NATO."

He said the end of the Cold War does not mean the end of the United States' responsibility as the leader of the Free World.

The speech climaxed a busy day for Powell and his wife, Alma. The four-star general was running 23 minutes late when his twin-engine Air Force executive jet landed at Lawson Army Airfield, where he was greeted by White and a handful of other officers.

Powell paused briefly to chat with retired Maj. Freeman Horner, a Phenix City resident who won the Medal of Honor for his exploits in Vietnam. Horner's wife said Powell thanked him "for showing up, and said he ought to have come out to see Freeman instead of the other way around."

On post, Powell had a meeting with White and visited some troops, including the 36th and 43rd engineering units. The media were not allowed to accompany the general so that he could have private discussions with soldiers, Fort Benning spokeswoman Monica Manganaro said.

The last of his Benning stops apparently came about 5:15 p.m., when he visited soldiers from the 43rd Engineer Battalion — some of those destined for duty in Somalia — at a motor pool near Lawson Army Airfield.

Mrs. Powell attended an Officers Wives' Club reception at the Fort Benning Officers Club. That event also was off limits to the public.

Staff writers Linda Bosley Dailey and Clint Claybrook contributed to this report.

RELIGION

Baptist women move beyond official bounds

By George Cornell
Associated Press

At a meeting this week in Talladega, Ala., the executive board of a big auxiliary, the Women's Missionary Union, asserted it was widening its work beyond the denomination's mission agencies to include others outside it.

New tremors are rippling through Southern Baptist institutional life with the abrupt departure of a longtime, embattled professor and a shift toward more independent policies by a key organization of women.

Both developments stemmed from deepening polarization in the 15.5 million-member denomination, now under control of an administration that insists on fundamentalist views of the Bible.

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This opens the door to working also with a separately organized wing of Southern Baptist moderates, the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship, although not directly promoting its missions offerings.

The WMU board said it would continue promoting offerings to the denomination's official home and foreign missions, generally totaling about $120 million annually, about half their budgets.

But the women's group also affirmed the right "to choose other plans for cooperative missions giving," and promised to "provide prayer support and produce resources" for other Southern Baptist groups such as the CBF.

In Nashville, Tenn., the Southern Baptist chief executive, the Rev. Morris Chapman, said he was saddened by WMU action, adding that the auxiliary "apparently has chosen a course apart" from its exclusive denominational relationship.

"We have no choice but to relate to their choice," he said.

Last November, he had said that the denomination might form another women's group if the WMU supported the fellowship. The 105-year-old WMU is governed by an autonomous board and has about 1.2 million members.

Dellana O'Brien, WMU executive director, said its action was not influenced by any fear of reprisal, but only by the organization's longstanding commitment to missions.

"We fear no one but God," she said to loud applause from board members, reported Associated Baptist Press. "We cannot be fearful. We have to be faithful and God will protect us."

Adding to the tensions was the fact that the Rev. Keith Parks, longtime, widely respected president of the denomination's official foreign mission board recently left that post.

He charged that board trustees sought to impose theological conformity on oversees missions. Parks since has become head of the moderate fellowship's missions program.

The women's organization, in adopting a study report on new directions, affirmed principles that in part seemed an indirect slap at some of the denomination's stiffened requirements about the Bible.

Affirming the "priesthood of the believer," the WMU said: "Inherent in this belief is ... freedom of personal interpretation of the Scriptures, as led by the Holy Spirit."

At the denomination's flagship Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Ky., a prolonged campaign by trustees to oust the Rev. Paul Simmons ended with his unexpected decision to take early retirement.

This meant the seminary will be spared the "heresy hearings" that trustees were expected to hold soon in an effort to get rid of Simmons, a 24-year veteran whom they called a liberal.

Simmons, 56, a tenured professor of Christian ethics, had been under fire from trustees for several years, in part because of his support for abortion rights. Several other professors have left under pressure.

Trustees, at a meeting last month in Atlanta, considered but rejected a proposal to buy out Simmons' contract by paying him $362,714. That left the likelihood of a heresy trial as the only possible means for firing him.

But this was circumvented by his surprise announcement last week that he was stepping down. His action came amid new controversy about his showing a film about sexuality and rehabilitation of people with spinal cord injuries.

Simmons said the "political nature" of objections to the film was the final straw in his deciding to leave.

IN BRIEF

Series to focus on Christian sex and marriage

The Military Council of Catholic Women are presenting a series of talks by Scott and Kimberly Hahn and Dr. Thomas Zepeda. The series is titled "Life Giving Love," a series discovering the meaning of Christian sex and marriage. The topics for each week are:

Jan. 27 — Marriage Covenant and Birth Control.

Feb. 3 — Natural Law and Birth Control.

Feb. 10 — The Bible and Birth Control.

Feb. 17 — Dr. Thomas Zepeda will speak about birth control from a physician's perspective.

The series will be held from 9:30 a.m. until noon at the Infantry Center Annex. Child care is free of charge.

For more information, call Teresa Zepeda at 682-3918 or Jackie Place at 689-6496.

CONFIRMATION CLASSES: A new series of confirmation classes will begin Feb. 2 from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. and continue each Tuesday through April 6 at the Religious Education Center, building 2518. The class will be taught by Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Roger Kappel. For registration and information, call 545-2288.

FILM SERIES: The Protestant Women of the Chapel will present a film series by Ross Campbell, M.D., Christian psychiatrist, author and lecturer on parent-child relationships.

The series will be held each Thursday from 9:30 to 11:45 a.m. through Jan. 28 at the Religious Education Center, building 2521. Child care is provided free of charge.

For more information, call Gwen Chandler at 682-5546 or Loree Smith at 685-0809.

ABUSE SUPPORT GROUP: An adult survivors of sexual abuse support group will start Feb. 5 from noon until 1:30 p.m. and run every Wednesday through April 14 at the Chaplains Family Life Center, Soldier's Plaza, building 2606.

For more information, contact Chaplain (Maj.) James Rayburn at 545-1760.

PARENTING CLASSES: A free workshop based on Systematic Training for Effective Parenting (STEP) will be presented every Tuesday from noon until 1:30 p.m. for seven weeks beginning Jan. 19 at the Chaplains Family Life Center, building 2606.

For information or registration, call 545-1760.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S COUNCIL: The Military Council of Catholic Women invites all ladies to increase their knowledge of the faith, join together for prayer and the celebration of the Mass, participate in opportunities of service, and form feminine friendships.

The MCCW meets every Wednesday from 9:30 a.m. until noon at the Infantry Center Annex and every first Friday of the month at 9:30 a.m. until noon at the Main Post Catholic Church.

PRAYER BREAKFAST: The Officers Christian Fellowship monthly prayer breakfast will be Tuesday from 6:30 until 7:30 a.m. at the Infantry Center Chapel Annex. For registration, call 545-2050 or 545-2931.

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ON POST

'Chief' Arroyo finds himself in elite company

By Clint Claybrook
Staff Writer

You can call him "chief" or you can call him "mister." But whatever you call Chief Warrant Office 5 Pedro Arroyo, he's a marked man at Fort Benning — the only one of his rank on post.

Arroyo, in fact, is one of only 33 people in the Army to have reached the Warrant Officer 5 pay grade. When you consider there are some 600,000 Regular Army troops and officers these days, that makes him sound even more exceptional.

He's been around a while and has 34 years in uniform, and with his new rank is eligible to stay in the Army until he's got 30 years as a warrant officer or reaches age 62, "whichever comes first." He made Warrant Officer 1 in 1968, after first making staff sergeant.

His new rank — he pinned on the collar emblems with four silver "dots" on Jan. 1 — inspires different attitudes among his contemporaries, depending on how they view it, Arroyo said. Some (congratulate him) and say, "Persevering eventually paid off," while others ask "What are you waiting for to retire so some of the rest of us can get promoted?"

After all, the chief figures that 20 of his 34 Army years have been spent overseas. That includes three tours in Vietnam and four or five years on Okinawa, with other stops in Korea, Panama, Germany and Hawaii.

Arroyo is the maintenance supervisor for the 36th Engineer Group and expects to be among about 400 soldiers and officers from that outfit departing in about 10 days for Somalia. Some 600 of the 36th troops are already there.

"My duty in Somalia will determine how much longer I stay" in Army green but one more overseas tour will be no big deal, he said. After all, the chief figures that 20 of his 34 Army years have been spent overseas. That includes three tours in Vietnam and four or five years on Okinawa, with other stops in Korea, Panama, Germany and Hawaii.

At age 52, and having "maxed the (Army's) physical fitness test a couple of weeks ago," Arroyo said he's past the days "when I'd say I'm too old for this ... (Deployment) is part of the job, and you tend to just say, 'one more time,'" living out of a duffle bag and facing the prospect of meals-ready-to-eat twice a day is no big deal.

Arroyo and 32 other new CWO-5s were "created" by Congress in 1992; most of them had already been made master chief warrant officers before the new rank was approved.

Arroyo made WO-1 in 1968, back in the days when warrant officers were "just strictly technicians." Now, he says, "We're both tacticians and technicians," and more involved in the command of troops.

The soldiers Arroyo oversees are the mechanics of the 36th Group, who are charged with the upkeep of everything from small generators to mammoth earth-moving equipment. He's also charged with "providing advice and counsel to the commander regarding the discipline of maintenance."

He says his new rank, compared to the commissioned officer ranks, "is somewhere between major and lieutenant colonel, depending upon whom you ask."

Whatever its equivalent, making CWO-5 is not bad for a soldier who "wasn't even close" to looking at the Army as a career when he was drafted in 1958. After that, "somehow I made the wrong turn or the right turn," in opting for a three-year re-enlistment.

Arroyo says he's "most proud" of having obtained a bachelor's degree in management from the University of Maryland and a master's degree from Central Michigan University during his Army years. It just proves that "you can always improve and obtain any degree you want to in the military," he said.

He laughs about his son, Hector Arroyo, a Marine staff sergeant, having opted for that branch of the military. "They (kids) won't listen to you," he suggests. "But he thinks he is one of a few good men."

You could say the same about the chief, who says he's "in the top 10" on post in both racquetball and tennis. Wife Josefina, meantime, stays busy as chief of the Headquarters and Headquarters Co. "Family Unit Network," particularly since her husband's outfit is among the "deployingist" on post.

By Joe Maher/The Benning Leader
Chief Warrant Officer 5 Pedro Arroyo, of the 36th Engineer Group, is one of only 33 people in the Army to have reached the Warrant Officer 5 pay grade.

IN BRIEF

Much of the post taking a holiday

Fort Benning will be observing Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday with a holiday on Monday.

Martin Army Community Hospital clinics will be closed. Emergencies should be referred to the hospital's emergency room. All troop medical clinics will be closed with the exception of TMC 5. It will operate sick call from 7 a.m. to noon on the holiday.

The hospital's outpatient pharmacy will be open from 9 a.m. to noon and 1 to 6 p.m. The Main Mall refill pharmacy will be closed.

The Primary Care for the Uniformed Services Clinic will be open from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on the holiday. PRIMUS is located at 1727 Boxwood Place in Columbus.

The Main Mall and Mini Mall post exchanges will both operate from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday and the Custer Terrace Shoppette will be open from 9 a.m.. to 6 p.m. The commissary will be closed on Monday and Tuesday.

Trash will not be picked up in Fort Benning family housing areas on the holiday.

SUPPORT GROUP: The Cardiac and Diabetic Support Group will conduct a meeting Jan. 25 in the Baugh Conference Room in Martin Army Community Hospital at 6 p.m.

Other events include:

Jan. 24 — Bowling at the Post Exchange at the Main Mall Bowling Center. Bowling starts at 5:30 p.m.

For more information, call Thomas E. Valitzski at 561-3077.

CAR CARE CENTER: The hours of operation for the Car Care Center, Building 1624, are now Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., Saturday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., and closed on Sundays.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS: The Fort Benning Alcoholics Anonymous group meets every Monday, Thursday and Saturday at 7 p.m. in the basement of the Directorate of Community Activities, Building 241. Entrance is in the rear of the building.

COMMUNITY

Plan to attend AUSA membership meeting

Mark your calendars now to attend the next General Membership Meeting of the Chattahoochee Valley-Fort Benning Chapter of the Association of the United States Army.

This Winter Membership meeting will be held at the Fort Benning Officers' Club Feb. 18 beginning at 6:30 p.m. with a social hour followed by dinner at 7:30 p.m.

Ben Register

The guest speaker will be William Paul, Senior Vice President for Governmental Affairs United Technologies Corp. Paul also serves as the Chief Executive Officer and Deputy Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the national level organization of the Association of the United States Army. Retired Maj. Gen. Ken Leuer and his committee have planned an outstanding program. Plan to be there!

World War II Commemoration

AUSA has been named a 50th Anniversary of World War II Commemorative Commanding Organization by the Department of Defense. This program is designed to thank and honor the veterans of World War II and to develop activities that provide greater understanding of the lessons, technological contributions and history of World War II.

In keeping with its theme, I received a note this week from Louise Kunze, a past president of our AUSA chapter and an active community leader in support of Fort Benning and the soldiers stationed at Fort Benning, regarding the commemoration of the 50th Anniversary of the sinking of the troopship Dorchester with the loss of many lifes, to include four chaplains.

In 1987, our chapter of AUSA had a beautiful granite lectern erected on the field adjacent to Fort Benning Main Post Chapel, which was dedicated as the "Field of Four Chaplains." The dedication was done by the U.S. Army Chief of Chaplains. All funds to purchase the lectern were raised by donations from the local communities around Fort Benning.

The names of the donors of funds that made this possible are contained on a plaque in the social hall of the chapel. We owe the veterans of World War II a great debt for their sacrifice and commitment to this nation and we salute you!

Congratulations to:

■ The 3rd Brigade, 24th Infantry, for increasing their AUSA membership by over 300 members during 1992.

■ The Instructors of the Year at the U.S. Army Infantry Center and School who were presented AUSA professionalism awards during a ceremony held at Infantry Hall. Awardees were:

Officer Instructor of the Year — Lt. Col. Roger Welsh, leadership instructor, USAIS.

Senior NCO Instructor of the Year — Sgt. 1st Class Gregg Smith, 1st. Bn., 507 Airborne.

Junior NCO Instructor of the Year — Staff Sgt. Robert Landrum, 1st Bn., 507th Airborne.

■ The outstanding soldiers of the 3rd Brigade, 24th Infantry Division who were presented AUSA Professionalism Awards in a ceremony at Kelly Hill on Dec. 28 during an AUSA Sledgehammer Sub-Chapter meeting. Awardees for the 1st quarter 1993 were:

NCO of the Quarter — Staff Sgt. John P. Lowthorpe, Co. A, 1/18th Infantry.

Soldier of the Quarter — Spc. David R. Wilson, Co. A, 317th Engineers.

Calendar of upcoming events:

Feb. 9 — Executive Committee Meeting, 1 p.m., Room 642, Infantry Hall.

Feb. 17 — AUSA Board Meeting, 2 p.m., First Union Bank.

Feb. 18 — Winter General Membership Meeting — Fort Benning Officers' Club.

March 9 — Executive Committee Meeting, 1 p.m., Room 642, Infantry Hall.

Ben Register, a retired lieutenant general, is president of the Chattahoochee Valley-Fort Benning Chapter of the Association of the United States Army (AUSA).

FYI

The Columbus Museum, 1251 Wynnton Road, includes a regional history gallery, a children's gallery and changing exhibitions of American art. Call 322-0400 for information.

'Strategies for Success' seminar to be Tuesday

The Columbus College Adult Re-Entry Program will sponsor a free seminar called "Strategies For Success" Tuesday at the Elizabeth Bradley Turner Center for Continuing Education.

Times are 9:30 a.m. to noon or 7 to 9:30 p.m.

This seminar helps the older than average student learn how to successfully juggle multiple roles. It's open to potential and currently enrolled college students.

For more information, call Linda Gabrielson at 568-2330.

Volunteers needed for literacy workshop

Volunteers are needed to help adults learn how to read.

A free tutor training workshop will be Jan. 19 and 21 from 6-9 p.m. The workshop will be at the Columbus College Continuing Education Center and is sponsored by the Muscogee Area Literacy Association.

Call 649-0865 to register.

FYI

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WW II 50TH ANNIVERSARY

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Here, according to research by the Military History Division at Fort Benning, were the top news items of the week, 50 years ago:

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In North Africa, Britain's Eighth Army, under the command of Field Marshal Bernard Montgomery, resumed its attempt to break through the German position at Buerat. The effort succeeded as British troops advanced for several days, eventually occupying Homs and Tarhuna in Tripolitania.

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Also in North Africa, German forces employed "Tiger" tanks for the first time, attacking British and French forces in the Bou Arada sector of Tunisia. The French forces suffered heavy losses in terms of Allied equipment.

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In political developments, Iraq declared war on Germany, Italy and Japan. Additionally, Chile announced its intention to formally divorce itself from any existing diplomatic relationship with the Axis powers.

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At Fort Benning, the recently activated 300th Infantry Regiment used both Marine and Army training techniques as part of an experiment conducted with the aim of improving Army doctrine concerning the use of the bayonet.

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Post officials honored three former Fort Benning soldiers, Generals George S. Patton, Lloyd R. Frendendall and Charles W. Ryder, who had recently received Distinguished Service Medals.

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The Springer Opera House, 103 Tenth St., is one of the finest examples of 19th century theater architecture and has been designated the state theater of Georgia. For tour information, call 324-5714. Call 327-3688 for information about coming events.

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FIND A JOB THAT REALLY DEFINES YOUR PERSONALITY...IN THE CLASSIFIEDS!

A-Z SERVICES

CHILD CARE C7

DAY CARE CENTER has openings for all ages. St. Mary's/N.Star. $25/child. 687-2180, 682-1964

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Warm, fun, experienced in home care. Adj. to Post & I-85. Call 689-7523

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MISC. SERVICES M1

PROFESSIONAL HAIR WEAVING
At its best!
563-0240

TAX PREPARATION T4

EXPRESS TAX REFUND LOAN, INC.
Celebrating Martin Luther King's Birthday, Jan. 18-22. You can recieve a considerable discount from us with tax prep. and RAL package. Come into either of our offices located at:
4509 Armour Rd. 323-3369 or 2978 Martin Luther King Blvd. 322-4812. for details.

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To Ft. Huachuca w/new encl. empty cargo trailer; will haul ?. Leave 1/29. Days, Sgt. L. Moore, 545-3435

PERSONALS 020

Are You Troubled? Need to talk? Call CONTACT. We care. 24 hrs. Free. 327-3999

Child Birth Refresher Classes Topics include: birth memories, purebirth, pain, fear, VBAC, grief, empowerment, sibling perparation & more! For more info, call 569-1248.

035 MERCHANDISE

ANTIQUES 036

ANTIQUE English Breakfront, $2500 or best offer. Call 576-5001.

Magnolia Antiques & Gifts
At Chipley Village
Pine Mountain, GA
Come by & see our unique selection of antiques, gifts & collectibles. Check out the many items marked down for our January sale!
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APPLIANCE SALES 040

All Cycle Heavy Duty washer & dryer, like new, $125. ea. 6 mo. warranty. Free delivery. Call 682-4908

FRIGIDAIRE WASHER & DRYER, heavy duty, almond color, used less than 1yr, cost over $900, will sell for $350; call 682-1057

GE Heavy Duty Dryer older model w/all new parts. Call 323-9579

Kenmore washer & dryer Excellent cond., $130 each or $250 for the set. Call 322-4401.

UPRIGHT Freezer, $150. Frost-free refrigerator, $125. Kenmore dryer $100. Kenmore heavy duty washer $125. 480-0884

BICYCLES 045

SCHWINN 10-Speed, like new, 2 yrs old, ridden twice! $100. Call 323-6551.

CLOTHING 050

DRESS BLUES, coat 40R, pants, 32, new, $150; sell for $50. Call 682-6732.

FIREARMS 056

CAR-15 Matchbarrel, chrome bolt. Excellent cond. with ammo and accessories. $750. 569-9465

Glass front wooden, gun cabinet, holds 11 guns, nice, $200. 327-1983 lv msg.

Sako Vixen, .222, $400; Winchester model 12, 16 ga., solid rib, improved modified choke, $500. Call 561-7465

FURNITURE FOR SALE 058

BROYHILL SOFA, $150 & sofa w/hide-a-bed, $150. Call after 5pm, 323-9674

Camel Back Sleep Sofa
Like new, $200. Call 324-2508

Contemporary Pillow Sofa, $275; Ritan chair, $100; wicker loveseat, $100; recliner, $150. All in exc. cond., call 561-5679

EXQUISITE 7-Pc Oriental Bedroom Set w/mirrored canopy + acc. 576-5001

Large Refrigerator, $100; glass-topped dining room table w/4 brown chairs, $100. 298-9982

LOVESEAT & SOFA
exc. cond., $125.
323-9258

MUST SELL! Queen sz. waterbed w/mirror, bookshelf, headboard, pedastel, liner, heater & rails inc. Like new. $400. 298-3451

PINE WOOD sofa, rocking chair, chair, & 3 end tables. All pillows included-beautiful rust/brown design. All for $200. Call 682-4324

RECLINER, dark blue-gray, perfect cond., $175. Call 323-6930

SAVE $$$
New & used furniture. Bedroom sets, living room sets, dinettes, office furniture, etc. **CASH CUSTOMERS GET PRIORITY DISCOUNTS** or use our layaway plan.
Mastercard & Visa accepted
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3715 Cusetta Road
682-1230
Mon.-Sat. 10am-6pm

3 piece Living Room set, couch reclines, loveseat & chair.$500. Call 682-1696

COLLECTIBLES BUY/SELL 061

AVON COLLECTIBLES (Men's Theme) Dates back to '50, '60 and '70s. $8 to $10 each. Call 706-643-8137.

MACHINERY TOOLS 070

CRAFTSMAN
220v Air Compressor
$250. Call 327-0205.

MISC. FOR SALE 076

Blue recliner, $90; Heavy wooden rocker, $75; stereo, $100; sofa, $60; 2 maple end tables, $20ea; 19cu.ft. fridge, $300. 855-5214, or 298-8541 aft. 5pm.

Broyhill 3 piece pit group, w/built-in recliners, $400; 13 inch color TV, w/remote, $75; call 568-1063

COMMODORE 64 Printer, disk drive, monitor, keyboard and computer desk, $500/offer; 5 standard original Ford Ranger Wheels & tires, $100; 10 man tent, $75. Call 561-9826

COMPLETE QUEEN SIZE waterbed, $175/offer. 322-9021.

Electrolux Vacum Cleaner
Hardly used! $300, 571-9821

Energy Saver, side by side, refrigerator/freezer, $350; Kenmore freezer, $300; patio set, $300; call 576-5001

FOR SALE: home alarm system. Paid $400, sell for $275. Waterbed, $100. Waterbed with mirrored headboard, $200. Call 327-2533 after 6pm.

FOSGATE Car stereo Speaker system, amp., new, $180. 327-6842 after 6pm.

Frost-free refrigerator, 19 cbft, $150; microwave, $45; 13 inch color tv, like new, $55; Nintendo System w/5 games, $85; call 660-0684

Lear Crown Camper Shell, fiberglass, fits 6ft bed, red, $275. Call 682-4769 aft 6pm

LIVING ROOM Corner Sectional Set, beige color, gold trim, glass table-tops, $200. **KENMORE** Refrigerator, $100. 322-2415

Olympic Size Gym Equipment. $3500 or best offer. (706)882-5066 after 4pm.

QUEEN SLEEPER sofa, $100; dbl. bed set, $75; Apple II GS w/5¼ & 3½ drive, $300. 322-7967

Refrigerator, 16 cu. ft.; 2 home bars with stools; floor heater, will heat 5-6 room. $675 for all. 687-0573

SEARS Kenmore portable dishwasher, like new, $300. Hi-Fi console radio/stereo, $40. 563-0391 after 3pm

Silk Wedding Dress by Bianchi, w/all access., sz 14, must see to appreciate. Paid $1600! Will sacrifice for $650! Call 327-0205

Used Vinyl Siding
Approx. 1800 sqft, good cond., $400; storm windows, $10 each, different sizes; call 706-628-5303 after 6pm.

2 Dupont Stainmaster Carpets, 9x12, bound, in Wedgewood blue & dusty rose. New, exc. cond. $80 ea. One 9x12 bound carpet, very light blue, plush, needs cleaning, $30 neg. 596-0865, serious calls.

MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS 078

ANTIQUE PIANO,
60-70yrs. old.
$100/neg. 298-4493

D. REDDING MUSIC
Beallwood Conn./50th St. Crate G60 amp, $250. Hohner Les Paul, $450. **596-1260**

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Call 322-4500

MERCHANDISE WANTED 098

CASH FOR GOOD USED UNWANTED ITEMS
TVs, Stereos, Baby Beds, furniture. We also have adult gag gifts. Waters Junk, 929 Ft. Benning Rd. 687-6761. Cash paid.

BARGAIN COLUMN 099

DINING TABLE $35. Small Gas Heater $15. Call 298-2466, leave message.

LIVESTOCK 110

Beautiful black gelding: Rides for anyone, wonderful buggy horse. Sacrifice for $550; Paint Pacing Mare, 15 hands, needs TLC, to good home only, $395; call 480-0200 (local)

Beautiful Palimino Pony 11 yr. old gelding, $600. w/tack, Call 563-3452

PETS 122

Adorable, fluffy, tiny Cock-a-poo's. 7wks, wormed, $65; call 480-0200 (local)

PETS 122

AKC CHOW PUPS, 8 wks. old, weaned & paper trained. $75. Call 322-8742

AKC DALMATIANS, Call Gene Connell after 7 p.m. 912-336-0959 Sale City, GA.

AKC Dalmatian male, 1 year old, good with small kids. Call 596-8701 after 5pm.

AKC GERMAN SHEPHERD pups, 1st shots. Call 912-838-6317

AKC GERMAN SHEPHERD Pups, $100-$125. Call 706-674-2762 or 674-2685

PETS 122

AKC Golden Retriever puppies, very light blond to med. red, exc. quality. $150/offer. 561-5211

AKC Rottweiler pup, champ bloodline, ready now, $325. Call 298-3239.

AKC SIBERIAN HUSKY pups, blue eyes, vet checked, $175 to $200. Males & females. 706-845-3750 or 706-637-8225 after 5 p.m.

Beautiful AKC Australian Shepherd, 4mos., pretty markings, $75. 563-5614.

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In as little as 3 days with a refund loan!

Real life is real expensive. so don't wait the 6 to 8 weeks it takes the IRS to mail your refund. When life's little emergencies require immediate cash or an unexpected oportunity knocks, get your money fast with FlashFunds. Even in as little as 3 days advance. Just a low, one-time fee of **ONLY $54.00** when you get your money.* Call now for more informaiton. **(706) 323-7266**

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Free

CLASSIFIED ADS FOR ITEMS UNDER $50.00

The Benning Leader is now offering free classified ads for items totaling less than $50.00 in value. Ads will run 3 lines for one week and only ads on this original coupon form can be accepted. This coupon will run every week in The Benning Leader.

PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING GUIDELINES CAREFULLY BEFORE PLACING YOUR AD: • Ads received by noon on Tuesday will run in the following edition. Ads received after noon on Tuesday will run the next available edition. • Only non-commercial want-ads can be accepted. Please don't list animals, plants, firewood, services or homemade crafts. • Please include a daytime phone number along with your home phone number, name and home address in case we have a question about your ad.

Please include your:

Name_____

Address_____

City_____ **State**_____ **Zip**_____

Home Phone_____ **Daytime Phone**_____

Mail to:
The Benning Leader
Free Fifty Ads
c/o Classified Advertising Dept.
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Columbus, GA 31994

PRINT YOUR MESSAGE HERE-ONE LETTER OR SPACE PER BLOCK

Approximately
1 line
2 lines
3 lines

Please leave A Blank Space Between All Words And Prices. Please include your phone number.

LOOK FOR THESE BARGAINS IN OUR BARGAIN COLUMN (Classification 099)

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Interested in local, state or national news?

Then turn to the Columbus Ledger-Enquirer.

A recent independent study* revealed that 9 out of 10 readers say they turn to the Columbus Ledger-Enquirer for local, state and national news.

*Simmons Market Research Bureau, Fall, 1991.

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Go for it.

PETS 122

ALL BREED Dog Training Academy Offering the most extensive obedience program for your pet in your home or thru group classes. **In Business Since 1977 563-6568**

Beautiful, rare, red Cocker Spaniel pups, $195; call 480-0200 (local)

LAB PUPPIES $40 Each. Call 563-9231.

Shar-Pit Pups: ½ American Pit Bull, ½ Shar Pei, wormed, $150 each. Call 297-1942 or 298-9807

SIBERIAN HUSKY PUPS 7wks., AKC, Black/white, blue eyes, shots & vet. checked, $250. 706-655-2475

PETS-LOST & FOUND 127

HAVE YOU LOST YOUR PET? Please contact the Muscogee County Humane Society at 7133 Sacerdote Lane, off Schatulga Road, 706-563-4929 or the Russell County Humane Society at 205-298-0080.

YOU CAN HELP SAVE A PET Call our 24-hour hotline for lost & found pets. 576-6009.

FREE COLUMN ANIMALS 130

NOTICE

The Columbus Ledger-Enquirer is proud to offer the **FREE COLUMN** as a valuable service to our customers. In addition to placing your **FREE COLUMN** ad, we recommend that you contact The Muscogee Co. or Russell Co. Humane Societies for important safety precautions you may wish to consider when finding a home for your pet. To find out more about what you can do to protect your animal, call your local Humane Society at 298-0080 (Russell Co.) or 563-3647 (Muscogee Co.)

WANTED TO BUY 142

WE BUY 48x40 wooden pallets, in Richland, GA. Highest prices paid. Call 1-800-763-6487, ask for Lynne. Albany Pallet Exchange.

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Below you will find a listing of common employment abbreviations which you may find in our classified advertisements. We hope this will help your decision-making process.

office - ofc.
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full time - F/T
experience - exp.
technician - tech.
commercial driver's license - CDL
over-the-road - OTR
service - svc.
assistant - asst.
system - sys.
references - ref.
required - req.
words per minute - wpm
secretary - sec'y
weekends - wkends
section - sec.
superintendent - super

USE OUR CLASSIFIEDS! You can place a 3 line ad for

10 DAYS for only **$30**

AND WE GIVE YOU -7 MORE DAYS FREE!

Some restrictions apply Call

322-4500

VISA MasterCard

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Monday-Friday - M-F
Male/Female - M/F
Veterans/Handicapped - V/H
Equal Employment Opportunity - EEO
Affirmative Action - AA
experienced - exp.
department - dept.

RESTAURANTS & CLUBS 212

Exp. Bartender needed for permanent part time position. 687-6636

EMPLOYMENT AGENCIES 214

CONSTRUCTION WORKERS needed for relocation, all skills. 1-800-362-6607.

JOB LISTINGS/ DIRECTORIES 215

U.S. Postal/Gov't Jobs $15,00/hr. Now testing. For appl/details, 404-723-7234.

HELP WANTED GENERAL 216

AGENTS/TRACERS

$40,000 potential. FT/PT. Own hrs. Will train. Processing mortgage refunds. Work locally. 1-800-489-4832. 24hrs

ATTENTION MODELS

Representatives of **John Casablanca** will be in Columbus on Sunday, January 17th in the Historic Hilton Hotel from 10am to 6pm looking for new faces. If you have ever thought about modeling or acting, this could be the opportunity you've waited for. Experience or not you may train with John Casablanca. No appointment necessary. For further information 404-951-9564.

ATTENTION ★ Model ★ ★ Search ★

F & M Photography of Atlanta is looking for male and female models or potential models to be featured in their national swimwear calender. Will be interviewing in Columbus. Call 404-368-8375 for more information.

AVON No door-to-door sales necessary! Local 563-5005; other areas 1-800-338-5870

A BETTER JOB... ... is available to people who can read. If you know someone whose job potential is limited because he can't read, tell him that reading help is free, confidential and available. The Columbus number to call is 404-682-2662; elsewhere, call 1-800-228-8813.

CATALOG MODELS WANTED. All ages/sizes. No exp. nec. Part time. $65 per hr. Apply 3452 Macon Rd., Columbus on Jan. 16 from 2 to 8 p.m. Under 18 with parent. C & R Design, A Licensed Company. Test shoot $99.

EARN $1,000's weekly stuffing envelopes. Start now. No prior exp. Free supplies. Free info. No obligation. Send S.A.S.E. to Regal Dist. PO Box 140714-S, Orlando, FL 32814.

HOSPITAL JOBS Start $7.30/hr, your area. No experience necessary. Must be 18+. For info, call 1-900-820-8633, ext. 2445. 6am-8pm. 7 days. $12.95 phone fee.

LIVE AND WORK OVERSEAS. All skills, all fields, call or send resume to: Flexweld, 16372 N.E. 26th Ave., NMB, FL 33160. 1-800-944-6800.

HELP WANTED PART-TIME 218

**** AVON **** Earn to $200-$1200 mo. Training & support. 1-800-329-AVON.

FRENCH Student Exchange Organization seeks part-time coordinators working from home to implement 1993 summer program. **Call 800-622-4955.**

DOMESTIC HELP WANTED 219

FULL-TIME Childcare/Domestic; own transportation & references req'd; North Cols area. 322-1047

MEDICAL DENTAL 220

HOME CARE SERVICES

REGISTERED NURSE

Day Position available for RN, full-time or part-time in a progressive home health agency.
- 2 years of hospital or nursing home experience required.
- Hours 8:00-4:30
- Call rotation with com petitive reimbursement.
- Excellent benefits.

Home Care Services, an affiliate of Flowers Hospital, is an EOE. Please submit resumes and applications to:

Carol Hardy
335 Macon Avenue
Eufaula, AL 36027
205-687-7641
1-800-467-0130

PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT 224

ASSISTANT BUSINESS MANAGER NEEDED

Strong knowledge of bookkeeping a must. AR/AP, payroll. Computer skills required. PC main frame, non-smoking office. Call for appt. No walk-ins. 324-6471. **WTVM is an EOE Employer**

TECHNICAL 225

HELP WANTED part time, early mornings. Repair of mail opening equipment. Must have own tools and reliable transportation. Call 800-374-2659.

SALES 226

AVON - No door to door sales necessary. To learn more, call 1-800-392-9529

DRIVERS 227

DRIVERS

Tollie Freightways seeks your 1 year experience. If you seek constant miles, competitive pay, benefits, bonuses and getting home regularly call 800-688-8639 and say good bye to the west coast and north east.

SKILLS & TRADES 228

CONSTRUCTION project, all phases and skills. Medical benefits, immediate employment. 1-800-272-7444.

JOB WANTED 230

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400 FINANCIAL

BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIY 410

VENDING ROUTE For Sale Collect $100-$200 cash daily. No selling. **1-800-723-7800**

VENDING ROUTE-established-earn up to $1,000 per week. Immediate sale. **1-800-800-2991**

500 REAL ESTATE RENTALS

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Below you will find a listing of common rental abbreviations which you may find in our classified advertisements. We hope this will help your decision-making process.

bedroom - BR
bathroom - BA
dining room - DR
living room - LR
greatroom - GR
fireplace - FP
central heat/air-cent. h/a
washer/dryer - w/d connections-w/d conn.
refrigerator - fridge
available - avail.
north - N.
south - S.
Columbus - Cols.
Phenix City- P.C.
acres - ac.
minutes - min.
apartment - apt.
month - mo.
subdivision - S/D
large - lg.
double - dbl.
years - yrs.
utilities - util.
highway - hwy
condominium - condo
appliances - appl.
payments - pymts.
furnished - furn.
unfurnished - unf.
references - ref.
required - req.

UNFURNISHED APTS. GA 520

FINALLY... we have a 2BR apartment available!! Riverwind Apts. 687-1979

BY OWNER, 1BR apt. Just refinished. $175 mo. 505 23rd St., Apt B. Call 324-3230 or 1-404-995-5733.

CAMELLIA APARTMENTS 689-0370

UNFURNISHED APTS. GA 520

ACT NOW!
REDUCED PRICES!
2 Bedrooms/2 Baths
W/all the extras!

Call Lisa or Gisela:
689-4873

TRAFFIC GARDENS - 1600 Ft. Benning Road 1 & 2 BR, plus townhouses. $215 to $245. Remodeled, new carpet, cable tv., burglar doors, 689-1425.

UNFURNISHED APTS. AL 521

LAKESHORE APTS: Mullins Rd, nice, 2BR, $400mo + dep. Call 298-0300

FURNISHED HOUSES GA 524

Two BR in Weracoba Park Feb. 1, $450mo incl. util., $400 dep. Call 323-6286

UNFURNISHED HOUSES GA 526

NORTH 3BR 2BA, den, garage, $590 mth + dep. Call 563-9988 or 324-5749.

OAKLAND PARK 2335 Cornell Dr. 2BR, 1BA, den, LR, DR. Call 297-3092 or 324-1729

2BR, 1BA, greatroom w/fireplace, fenced back. Great location. $495 mo. 568-0481

3BR, 1BA home. Avail. 2/1, $480 mo. Next to Kendrick H.S./Georgetown Elem. Call 561-4084

3BR 1BA on Goodson Dr., $415 mth + $215 dep. References req'd. 297-6553

3BR, 1½BA, large yard. Pets OK. $500 + dep. Off Forest Rd. 480-9397 anytime.

UNFURNISHED HOUSES AL 527

North Phenix City. 3BR, 1½BA, carpeted. $425 or $450. 298-9857/298-6405

SHOWCASE REALTY, INC.

"Show place of Homes"

Check These Features:
- ✓ 3 Bedrooms
- ✓ 2 Baths
- ✓ Greatroom
- ✓ Eat-in Kitchen
- ✓ Formal Dining Room
- ✓ NORTH
- ✓ Corner Lot
- ✓ Priced at $73,000
- ✓ Great Interest Rates Available

Call Bill Inman 568-6676 or 561-0004.

GREAT PRICE GREAT LOCATION

Only$73,000. North, greatroom with fireplace, 3 BR, 2 BA, formal dining room with eating space in kitchen. Call **Holly Shaw 596-9182 (hm) 561-0004 (wk).**

LEASE WITH OPTION TO BUY

This 3 bedroom home, large living room with fireplace, new carpet etc. For info call ,Vera McInnis 561-0004 or 561-1145.

NORTH!! BRAND NEW $59,900

3 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, you choose colors. Call **Lis Kimmons 561-0004, 682-8662.**

ATTENTION! HOUSE HUNTERS

Looking for a quick move in! Try a non qualifying loan, pay equity and assume loan, no hassles. We have several homes to choose from in different areas of Columbus. You could be enjoying the comfort of home in two weeks. Call **Pat Abell for details at 561-0004 or 689-2901.**

GREAT LOCATION

Close to school, new subdivision. 60's, 3 BR, 2 BA, fireplace, built to suit you. Please call **Bert Webb 561-0004.**

COLD FEET WARM THEM UP

By the cozy fireplace in this large 3 BR, 2 BA home. Greatroom, formal dining room, extra large eat-in kitchen, panty. Large double garage. North Columbus. $87,900.00. Call **Angie Reed 563-2790 or 561-0004.**

EDGEWOOD AREA

Move right in to this lovely brick home located on a corner lot. Extra large living room with fireplace, separate dining room. Carport, low 50's. Call **Angie Reed 563-2790 or 561-0004.**

NEW HOME

$65,000.00, north. 3 BR, 2 BA, greatroom, dining room. Walk-in closet in master bedroom. 2 lots left, act fast. CAll **Angie Reed 563-2790, 561-0004.**

2323 Whittlesey Rd.	**324-4122**
5724 Windsor Drive	**568-1440**
4026 Buena Vista Rd.	**561-0004**

REALTOR®

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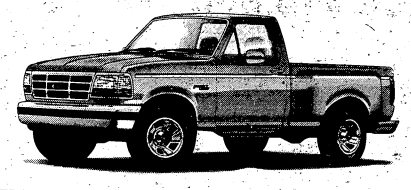

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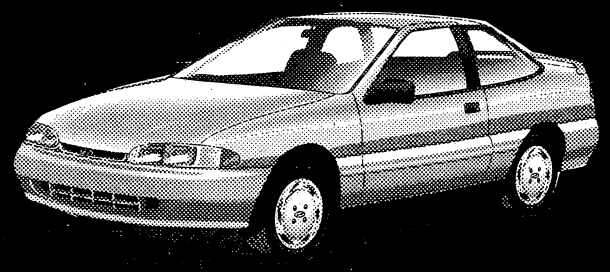

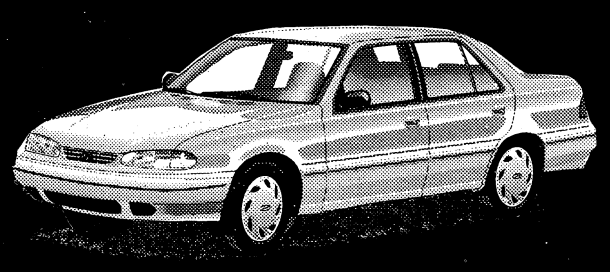

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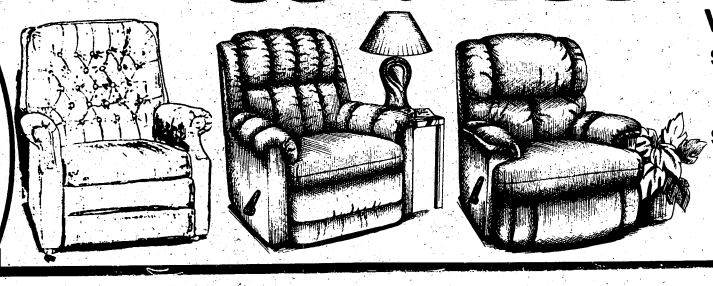

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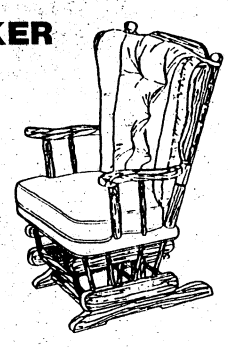

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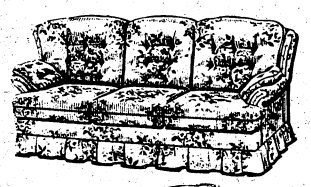

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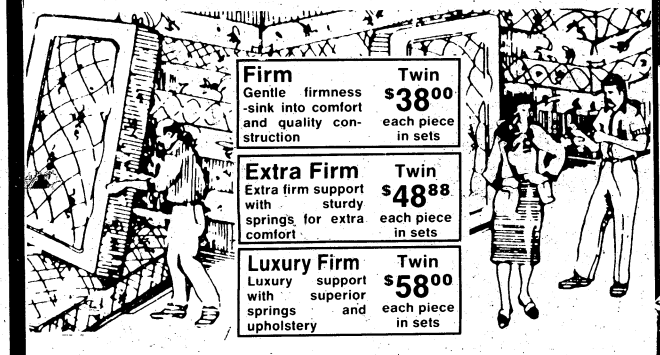

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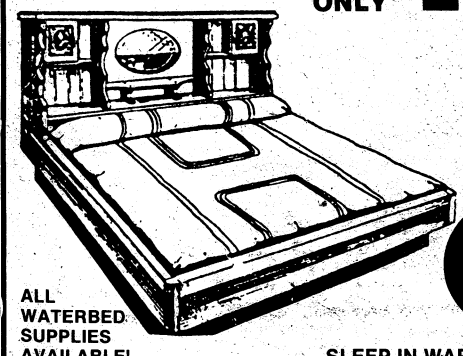

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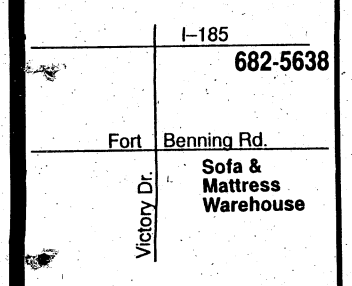

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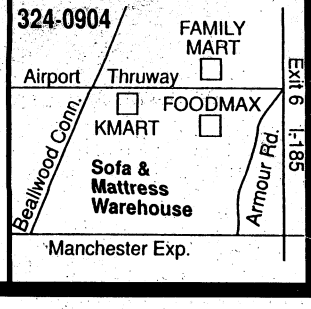

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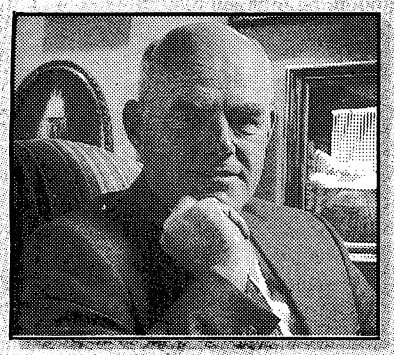

Career move

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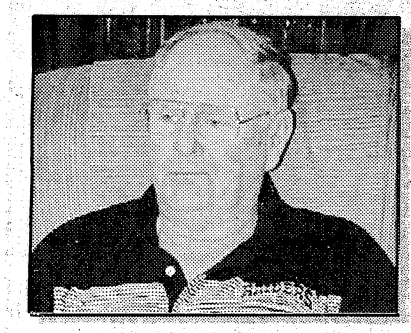

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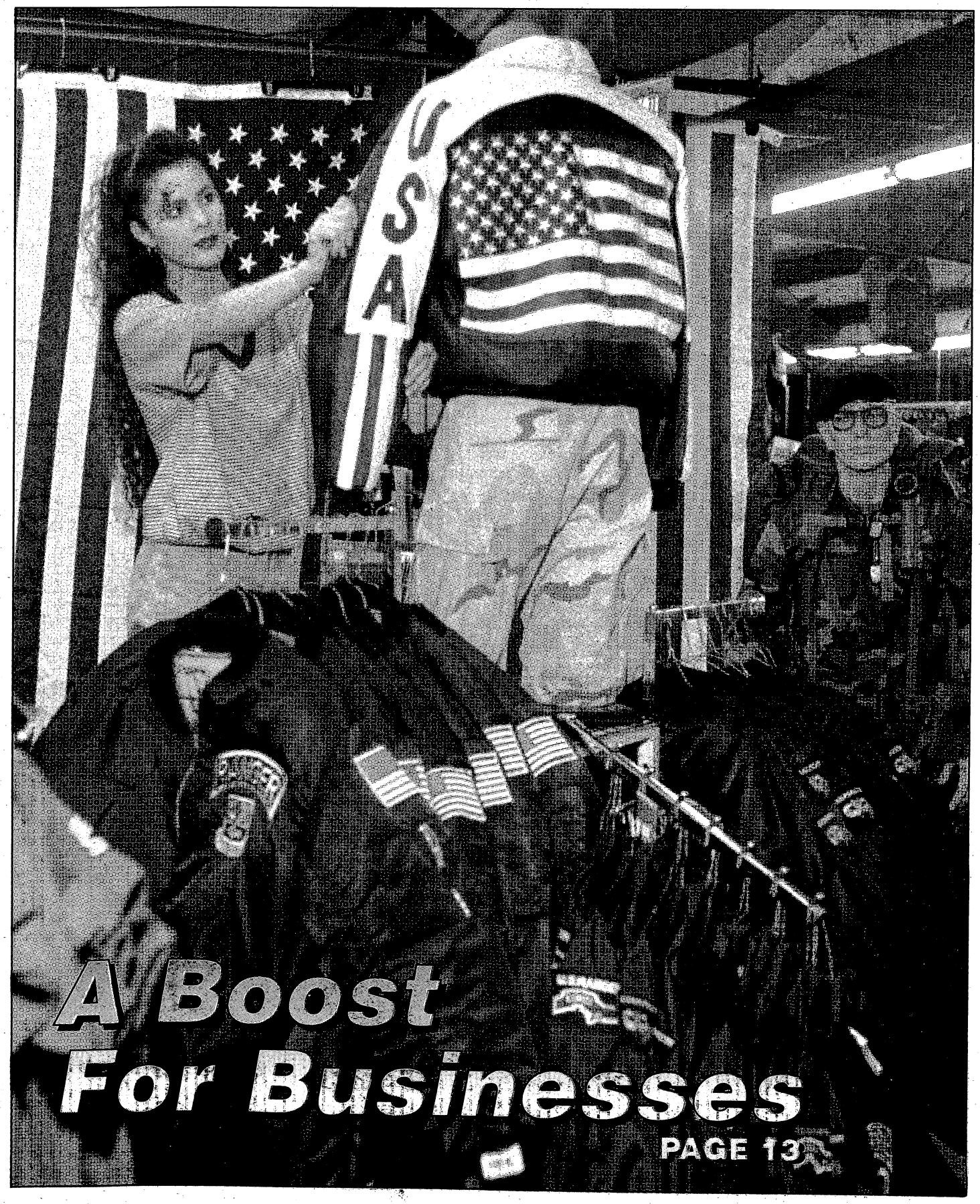

COMMENTARY

Mixing civilian and military technology may mean trouble

WASHINGTON — "Dual use" is the currently fashionable term that describes the application of Pentagon research-and-development dollars to technologies that theoretically could have civilian as well as military application.

David Evans

A new idea? Not if we harken back to the combined gun and plowshare, patented June 17, 1862.

"The object of our invention," read the letter of application, "is to produce a plow equal, if not superior, in point of strength and lightness to that implement as ordinarily made, and at the same time to combine in its construction the elements of light ordnance . . . without rendering it cumbersome as a plow."

The seductive appeal of dual-use technology has resurfaced as defense contractors face a drop-off in weapons orders. If they can develop dual-use product lines, these companies can more readily shift between defense and commercial work, thereby avoiding massive layoffs or even bankruptcy.

That's the basic idea. Under one proposal, the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency, DARPA, would be renamed ARPA. The "D" would disappear, but the Defense Department would remain the nation's de facto ministry of technology with a total research-and-development budget of roughly $30 billion.

There are some who don't buy the concept, however. "The Pentagon is the wrong place because it perpetuates the militarization of America's science and technology," declared Gregory Bischak, director of the National Commission for Economic Conversion and Disarmament.

A former senior Pentagon official agreed that civilian research work should be separated from the Defense Department. "The defense side will suffer; we need a dedicated focus" on military applications, he said.

Indeed, this is one of the dangers that Seymour Melman, emeritus professor of industrial engineering at Columbia University, fears. "In the land of dual-use, the military side will always get first preference in terms of technology, scientists and money," he said.

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Despite the alluring blandishments of "dual use," there are similar negative implications for U.S. science and industry.

Military and commercial needs do not necessarily overlap. Take ceramic components for engines as an example. Detroit's Big Three automakers are trying to develop them because they would permit higher operating temperatures, yielding potentiaily a dramatic improvement in fuel economy and a huge competitive advantage against foreign carmakers.

But for military trucks, fuel economy is not that vital a criterion, so there is a clear divergence of priorities here.

In the military's science bureaucracy, there is also a tendency to equate a project's importance with the amount of money involved. Good ideas that don't cost a lot won't necessarily be exploited. Just ask Quentin Murphy, a Bronxville, N.Y., dentist who received a patent in July 1991 for a so-called "radar tomography" device that could substitute for medical X-rays and yield superior images of body tissues.

The annual worldwide market for medical imaging equipment is about $7 billion, 70 percent of it in X-rays, and, Murphy said, if his patented technology were developed, it could seize a "huge amount" of this market. Reason: His technology uses less power than the radiation that leaks out of a microwave oven, and the equipment would be cheaper.

He has talked to a number of big-ticket defense contractors, but "the project wasn't in the millions of dollars, so they weren't interested in going to the trouble of applying for government grants."

No commitment, even for a technology that appears capable of detecting mines.

When the rhetoric is sheared away, the dual-use gambit seems to be an effort to retain decision-power in the Pentagon, which became a key player in organizing the economy during the Cold War.

Bischak recalled that in the late 1940s, Sen. Harley Kilgore, D-W.Va., a New Deal populist, attempted to establish a national program of science and technology keyed to civilian needs, but he was opposed by Vannevar Bush, a prominent science adviser to presidents Franklin Roosevelt and Harry Truman. A scaled-down version of Kilgore's proposal led to formation of the National Science Foundation, but the Pentagon emerged as the only major government agency capable of promoting large-scale research and development.

Before signing up to continued Pentagon hegemony over science and technology under the enticing guise of dual use, Bischak said, this post-World War II battle "has to be fought again." So far, though, there hasn't even been a serious debate.

David Evans is military affairs writer for the Chicago Tribune.

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DEFENSE

New chief facing budget problems

Senate confirms Aspin for post

By David Evans
Chicago Tribune

WASHINGTON — Rep. Les Aspin, D-Wis., confirmed by the Senate Wednesday as President Clinton's defense secretary, inherits a situation in the post-Cold War era that parallels that of the early 1970s, when the military was winding down after the Vietnam War.

ASPIN

As before, the military faces the prospect of an enormous budget reduction at the same time it is seeking to modernize with a whole new generation of costly weapons.

In the 1970s, this ultimately was resolved by ignoring altogether a post-Vietnam "peace dividend." The Pentagon budget increased from about $70 billion in 1972 to about $140 billion in 1980.

Despite the increase, defense planners were forced to shrink the number of military units and cut back radically on readiness levels to free up money to buy new weapons. At the same time, the costs of these weapons were increasing faster than the increases in the budget.

Under President Richard M. Nixon, the United States for the first time sold front-line weapons overseas, such as the F-14 interceptor and Spruance-class destroyers to Iran, in a major effort to aid the defense industry.

Aspin faces similar problems as he takes over at the Pentagon. Overseas sales of some of the United State's premier weapons, such as M-1 tanks, Patriot missiles and F-15E fighter-bombers, have been increased to compensate for declining Pentagon orders.

However, the fiscal situation is far more ominous than it was in the early 1970s. The Vietnam War ended against the backdrop of an unrelenting Cold War, which protected the Pentagon budget from deep cuts. That protection has evaporated with the meltdown of the Soviet empire.

Even if the Cold War had continued, the huge budget deficit would have forced a re-examination of the United States' military posture. Exploding deficits are creating overwhelming pressure to find savings in the Pentagon budget.

President Bush's last three deficit projections illustrate the situation. In January 1991, he predicted a $20 billion budget surplus by fiscal 1996. His next budget, submitted in January 1992, dropped the 1996 surplus to a $180 billion deficit.

Bush's last budget message, just published, contained a deficit estimate for fiscal 1996 of $266 billion.

And that's the best figure in his current five-year plan. The deficit for fiscal 1998 is projected to be $320 billion, and it assumes no inflation in entitlement programs.

At the same time, there is compelling evidence that the services are responding in the same fashion as in the 1970s — by understating the future cost of weapons programs they have in the works, thereby making everything appear "affordable."

This ploy is known to Pentagon and congressional insiders as "front loading." Once programs are started, they become long-term budget "requirements," hard to stop or reduce.

To afford new weapons programs and to realize any reductions in defense spending, Aspin has served notice that the services' coveted base force may be just a marker toward an even smaller military.

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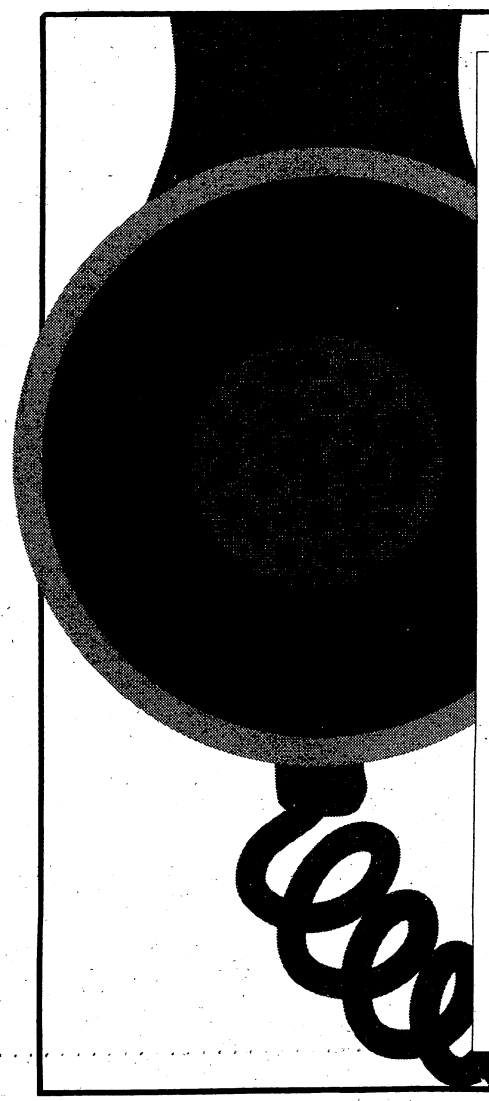

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COMMUNITY

Army will appeal $13 million ruling in carbon monoxide case

By Clint Claybrook
Staff Writer

The Army will appeal a $13 million federal court judgment favoring a former soldier and his wife seriously injured in 1989 by carbon monoxide from a faulty water heater vent pipe in their Fort Benning quarters.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Randy Aderhold of Macon, Ga., has served notice that he will ask the U.S. 11th Circuit Court of Appeals to overturn U.S. District Judge J. Robert Elliott's judgment in favor of now-retired Staff Sgt. David Elliott Jr. and the sergeant's wife, Barbara Elliott.

The Atlanta court could hear the case in six to eight months, said Columbus attorney Neal Pope, who represented the Elliotts. Aderhold, the chief defense attorney for the government, said the notice of appeal was filed after the Department of the Army and the Justice Department in Washington D.C. gave their OKs.

He said earlier that the appeal was necessary, in part, to attempt to convince a higher court that an old U.S. Supreme Court ruling should have barred any award to Sgt. Elliott. That doctrine holds, essentially, that a soldier cannot sue his government for injuries sustained in the line of duty.

Judge Elliott said that doctrine didn't apply to this case because Sgt. Elliott was on leave the night he and his wife were overcome by carbon monoxide fumes in their quarters in the Upatoi Terrace area.

The judge heard the case in June, without a jury, and handed down his verdict in November. He said Barbara Elliott is entitled to $3.01 million for pain and suffering, permanent injuries and loss of income. The verdict said David Elliott's injuries, pain, loss of income and "loss of enjoyment of life" is worth $8.97 million.

Lawyers said this was the biggest judgment ever against the government in a case like the Elliotts'. The couple charged the Army was negligent in the upkeep of their quarters and failed in its "landlord responsibilities" to maintain safe housing.

The judge said the Army was responsible for the Elliotts' injuries partly because it had not replaced the vent pipe when a new water heater was installed in 1985. If that had been done "this incident would not have occurred," the judge ruled.

Barbara Elliott is a civilian employee in the Finance and Accounting Office on post. Sgt. Elliott was retired at 75 percent disability a few weeks after the incident.

Pope said the government "has been very hard-headed" in dealing with the Elliotts' claims and that the appeal could tie up benefits to the injured couple another six or eight months.

"But," he said of the government's responsibility to the injured couple, "I'm like that man on TV, you can pay me now, or you can pay me later."

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PROFILE

Kenny poised for challenge with Chamber

By Jerry Rutledge
Leader Editor

Retirement was not the thing on Col. Patrick Kenny's mind when he came to Fort Benning and Columbus in February 1991.

His new challenge — the job of heading Benning's Directorate of Engineering and Housing — was the dominant issue on the West Point graduate's agenda. Life after BDUs seemed so far down the road.

Life and circumstances have a way of changing, however. And less than two years later, things did for Kenny. The colonel retired and became senior vice-president in charge of military affairs for the Columbus Chamber of Commerce.

A couple of months into a new life, even Kenny seems amazed at how quickly things have changed.

"We had the grand victory in Kuwait over Iraq and then we had the fall of the Soviet Union. All of that caused a downsizing of the Army and they were encouraging people to get out of there. That was one incentive," Kenny said. "The other incentive for me was I just thought it was time to get out and get on with another career. I didn't have a clue when I came to Fort Benning, Ga., that I would end up staying in Columbus, Ga. It just never crossed my mind. Never dawned on me.

"I came here to be director of Engineering and Housing (now Public Works) because that was the kind of job I wanted to do and there were career opportunities for me and I knew that I could do it well."

Later, with the downsizing of the military and the variety of incentives to leave the service, Kenny decided to "get on with" his life." He accepted the position with the chamber.

He traded a career as an Army engineer for a career in fostering the business and economic climate in the Bi-City area. In one sense, the jobs are very, very similar — instead of building and maintaining structures, Kenny now builds on and helps maintain the relationship between Columbus and the military.

He felt the fit was good. "Part of the job — like for the land swap where Columbus is trying to get approximately 3,000 acres from Fort Benning — is kind of an engineering issue and I'm an engineer," Kenny said. "Another reason was, very early on in my time in Columbus, I came to the conclusion that Columbus was a good town. A town that impressed me as being progressive and impressed me as being a town that has a future."

Kenny was impressed that Columbus was a city that maintains its past very well — the Historic District, the Iron Works and the Chamber being good examples — while working toward a bright future.

"A good place to live and work," Kenny said.

The transition from career military officer to civilian has taken Kenny a while to get used to. The relief effort in Somalia is one case in point.

"I had been part of the Army team for so long, the armed forces, and suddenly I'm not part of that," he said. "And so there is a transition to not being on the team."

But, at the same time, Kenny felt he was very ready for a new challenge and his job.

It's had its interesting moments and its humorous ones, too.

"One of the big differences is, well, I'm color blind," Kenny said. "I've got to pick out my ties in the morning and my socks. I never had to do that before. My morning routine has totally changed. I have to ask my wife 'Hey, does this tie go with my suit.' I never really had to worry about it before because I always knew what I was going to do. I always knew what I was wearing the next morning. And that's not necessarily trivial."

The retired colonel also said that while soldiers acquire a lot of skills in the military, there are a lot that they do not acquire also, like knowledge of business. People skills are the same. "People are people are people," Kenny said.

As Chamber senior vice-president for military affairs, Kenny will be charged with helping bringing the land swap (an exchange of real estate between the post and Columbus, ostensibly to build a new industrial park) to fruition and to help bring new units to Fort Benning.

The Army, with the cut in European forces and the closing of some domestic posts, will be relocating units. Attracting some of those units to Fort Benning will enhance the post's mission while helping the economic climate of the entire Bi-City area.

"I thought the job was a good fit and I'm enjoying it," Kenny said.

Retired Colonel Patrick Kenny

Age: 51.

Hometown: West Bend, Wisc.

Family: Wife Alice, daughters Erin and Tricia, sons Mike and Pat.

Past: Head of the Directorate of Engineering and Housing (now called Public Works) at Fort Benning.

Present: Senior vice-president for military affairs of the Columbus Chamber of Commerce.

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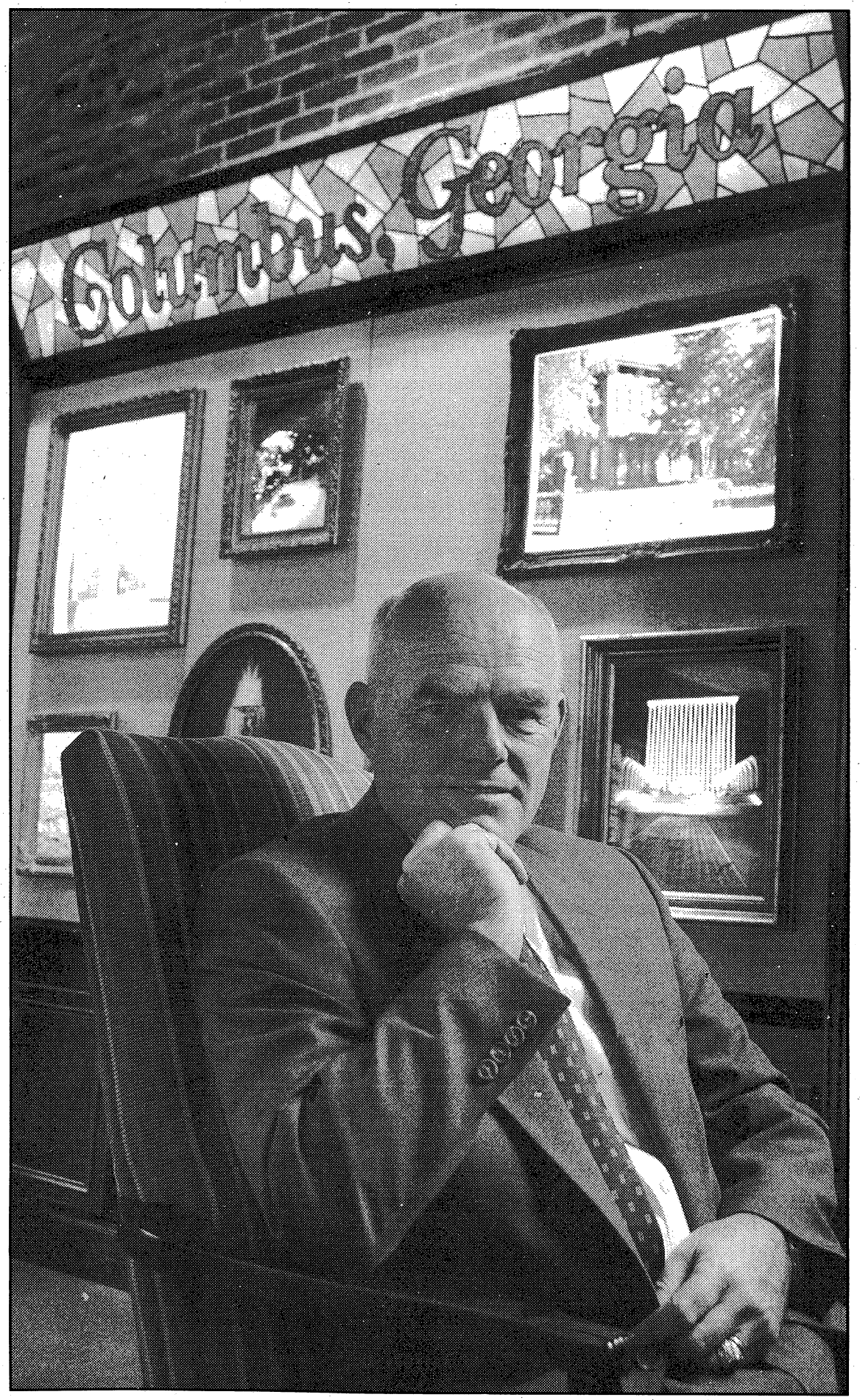

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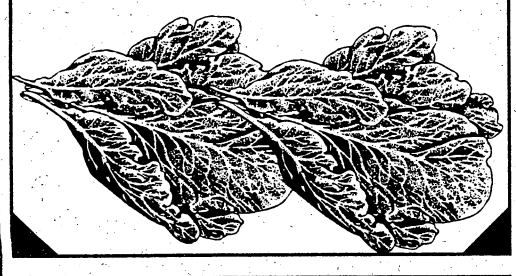

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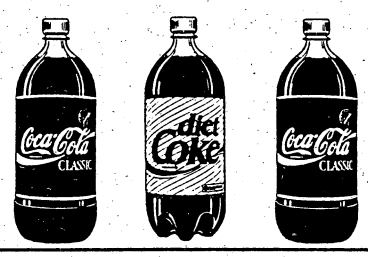

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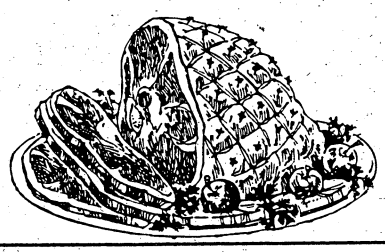

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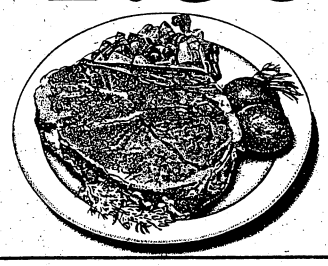

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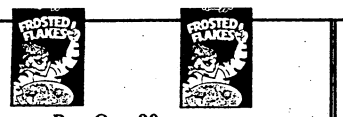

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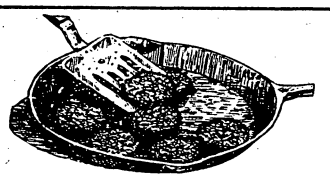

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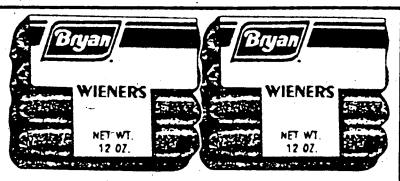

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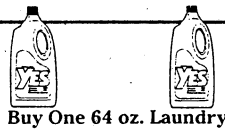

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New country music club swings into action

By Sandra Okamoto
Staff writer

The exterior, except for the large sign that proclaims the building to be The RoadHouse Honkytonk, looks the same. The RoadHouse, a new country music nightclub that opened last week, was until late November, The Skate Center.

But as soon as you step inside the foyer, you know it's going to be different.

Two box offices have been set up for concert nights — one on the left side of the foyer, the other on the right.

On regular nights, a doorman will take cover charge money and you can enter through either one of two sets of Western-style swinging saloon doors.

"These were custom-made by Wade Peterson," said co-owner Mike Blackwell proudly. Special heavy-duty hinges had to be ordered to hold the doors onto the walls and supporting beams.

The RoadHouse is at 4817 Milgen Road. For more information, call 561-1632.

Once inside, you can see the extensive renovation that was done to the building. More than 130 gallons of black paint were slathered on the ceiling. Blackwell enlisted the help of his father, Johnny, and brother, Frankie, to do all the painting.

A boot and western wear shop, called Jake's, is in the room where skates were sold not long ago.

The long, narrow room that once housed thousands of pairs of skates have been turned into restrooms.

Careful thought went into the restrooms. "Most of the women I knew told me to make sure the bathroom was big," said Blackwell. He's accommodated them — 10 stalls, plenty of mirrors and lots of custom-made light fixtures that gives one a flattering glow. The men's room is not quite as large.

The main bar has been set up where the snack bar used to be. A second bar is along the south wall. Three electronic dart machines and four pool tables are also in this area.

The four-foot-high wall that used to separate the skaters from the onlookers, has been refinished. A highly polished ledge has been built on top, where people can put drinks.

The southern edge of the skating surface has been fenced off — literally. Jimmy Wicklund designed old-fashioned wood fences that separate the main room from the wide corridor that leads to the two smaller bathrooms on the western side of the building.

The enormous skating surface (about 19,000 of the building's 23,000 square feet) has been painted and sectioned into three areas. "The biggest stage outside of the Municipal Auditorium" is set up against the western wall. "The largest dance floor in the city" is outlined by iron wagon wheels in front of the stage. Tables and chairs are set up in the remaining space.

Seating capacity for the club is 1,200. More than 200 parking spaces are available in a well-lit lot.

New carpet was installed throughout the club, which will be managed by Karl Ingram.

Blackwell, who has been promoting concerts in Columbus for the past 20 years, is making his first venture into the nightclub business.

His partner, Greg Commander, works as a service technician for a local office supply company.

The two met when Blackwell was coaching the Little League team on which Commander was a player.

"Greg and I started talking about opening a club last year," said Blackwell. "Everybody wanted a club on the north side of town. We started looking for a place. We looked at a site on Williams Road" where a new club would be built.

Scheduled entertainment at The RoadHouse Honkytonk includes Ronnie McDowell, left, (Feb. 6) and Doug Stone (March 24).

Contractor Larry Phillips "spent hours and hours with us," said Blackwell. "We just could not get it financed. So that eliminated that."

Later, they looked at existing buildings, including the old Winn-Dixie store in the Hamilton Square Shopping Center. That site was nixed after learning that two clubs can't be next to each other. Muldoon's is already in that shopping center. The old Mr. J's restaurant, also on Hamilton Road, was another option. But the parking lot was too small.

In November, the two men found out the Skate Center was on the market. The owner, Charles Byrum, wanted to retire and sell the building.

Since then, the Blackwell-Commander crew have worked 12-14 hours a day to renovate the building.

"We had some massive hidden expenses," said Blackwell ruefully. "We had to replace the fire alarm system and we found out there was no power to the stage." Rewiring took a chunk out of the budget. The correct exit signs had to be purchased and installed, as well as emergency lights.

The club will be open 4 p.m.-2 a.m. Tuesday-Saturday. The country music group Wheels, from Valley, will perform Wednesday-Saturday beginning at 9 p.m. There will be a $3 cover charge on Friday and Saturday nights.

On Feb. 4, a 10-week talent show begins, sponsored by WKCN-FM (Kissin' 99.3). Details will be announced later.

Also in February, monthly concerts featuring top country music artists begin. Ronnie McDowell is scheduled Feb. 6; Doug Stone of Newnan on March 24 and Tracy Lawrence on April 7. All concerts begin at 9 p.m. Ticket prices have yet to be set.

The RoadHouse is at 4817 Milgen Road. For more information, call 561-1632.

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At the movies

Listings for Jan. 22-28

TODAY

Glengarry Glen Ross (R) 7 p.m., Sand Hill

Candyman (R) 7 p.m., Main Post

Dracula (R) 9 p.m., Main Post

SATURDAY

The Last of the Mohicans (R) 2 p.m., Sand Hill

A River Runs Through It (PG) 2 p.m., Main Post

Love Potion #9 (PG-13) 7 p.m., Main Post

Honeymoon in Vegas (PG-13) 9 p.m., Main Post

Malcolm X (PG-13) 9 p.m., Main Post

SUNDAY

Of Mice & Men (PG-13) 2 p.m., Sand Hill

A River Runs Through It (PG) 2 p.m., Main Post

Passenger 57 (R) 4 p.m., Sand Hill

Malcolm X (PG-13) 7 p.m., Main Post

MONDAY

Rampage (R) 7 p.m., Main Post

TUESDAY

Malcolm X (PG-13) 7 p.m., Main Post

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"USED PEOPLE" PG13 2:15 4:50 7:15 9:30 — No Disc. Tkts.
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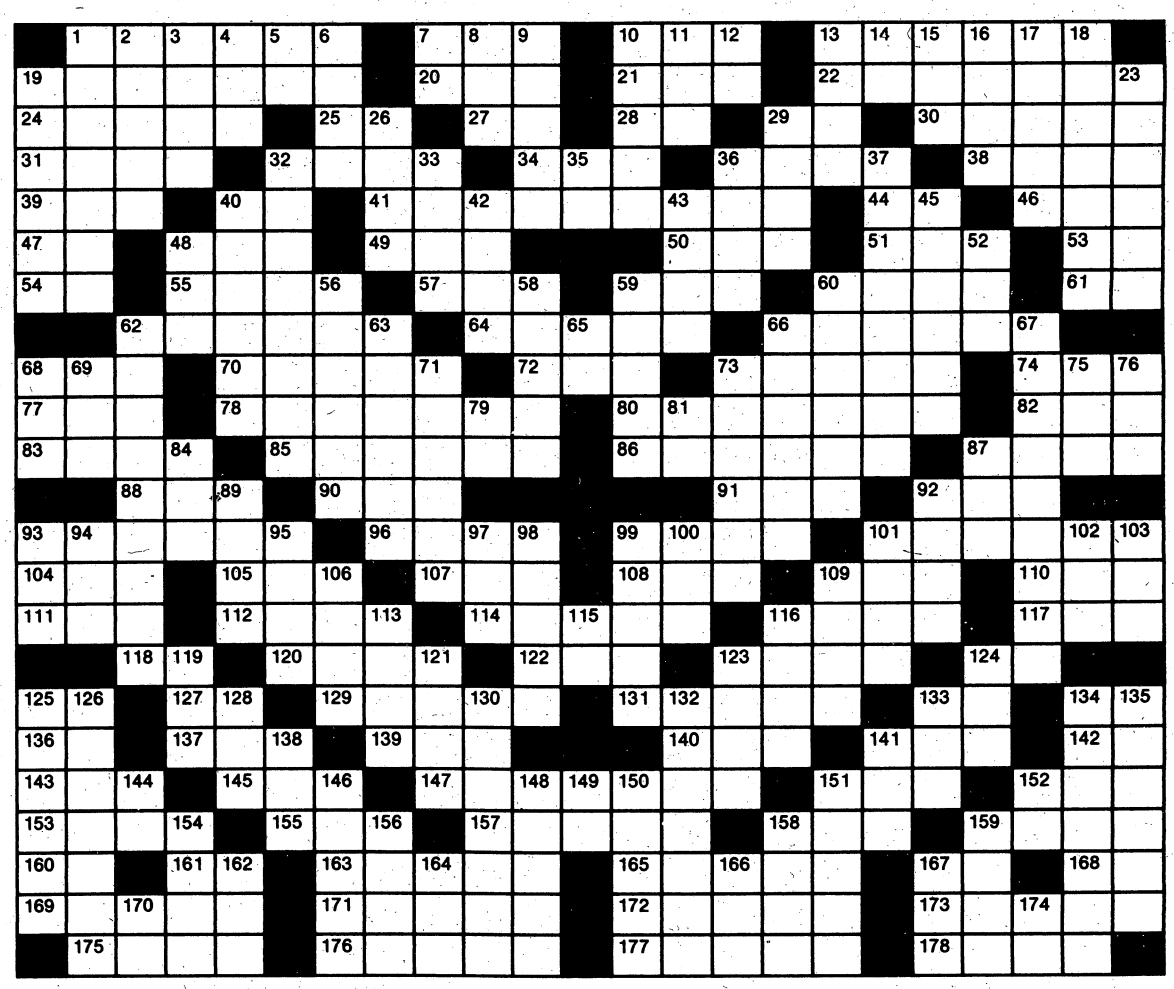

Crossword puzzle answer on Page 14

ACROSS

1 Stares with piercing looks
7 Moccasin
10 Dress border
13 "Golden —"
19 Church dignitary
20 Ms. Lupino
21 Summer drink
22 Enliven
24 Domain
25 Sheddy ID
27 River in Siberia
28 Behold!
29 Agave plant
30 Domesticates
31 "— Rider"
32 "— Trek"
34 Dwelling: abbr.
36 Auction word
38 Towel insignia
39 Calif. time
40 Anton ID
41 Without purpose
44 Printer's measure
46 Washington bill
47 Diphthong
48 Choose
49 Fish eggs
50 Three-toed sloths
51 Successor to OSS
53 Paid notice
54 Three ft.
55 Bespatter
57 Oolong
59 Strike
60 Deprive of anything essential
61 Swit ID
62 San Diego —
64 Ate
66 Large griddles
68 Time gone by
70 Ardent
72 Flying insect
73 Desire greatly
74 Vast age
77 Existed
78 — battery cell
80 Gathered by inference
82 Recompense
83 Redact
85 Begrudges
86 Wesley —
87 Top of head
88 Haul
90 Lamprey
91 Sr. Exec. Serv.
92 "Cheers" locale
93 Vacation highlights
96 Trade for money
99 Soaks up
101 Woolly
104 The Lion
105 "Salem's —"
107 Female deer
108 Grass cut and cured for fodder
109 "Vaya — Dios"
110 2,000 lbs.
111 Strong desire
112 Booty
114 TV's Morley —
116 Microwave setting
117 Dawn goddess
118 Therefore
120 Civil injury
122 Cushion
123 Mold
124 Sanford ID
125 Tellurium symbol
127 You and me
129 Dens
131 Look fixedly
133 Roosevelt ID
134 Fulfill
136 Hosp. attendant
137 Type of music
139 Split — soup
140 Free
141 Billy — Williams
142 Teutonic deity
143 Mature
145 Cat's foot
147 More absurd
151 "The Burning —"
152 — Burrows
153 Singer Jerry —
155 "— Madrid"
157 Loved ones
158 Base
159 Waste metal
160 Actor Marshall
161 Brother of Odin
163 Become mature
165 Showy flower
167 Proceed
168 As far as
169 Sufferer from Hansen's disease
171 Scottish landowner
172 Thick
173 Frequently
175 "— Flor and Her Two Husbands"
176 "— Gray"
177 Chemical compound
178 Color Me —

DOWN

1 Lubricated
2 Smallest amount
3 Actress Sheedy
4 Male sheep
5 Latin conjunction
6 Chair
7 "Magnum, —"
8 Fuss
9 Conspiracy
10 Stops
11 Old name for Tokyo
12 Myself
13 Bucket
14 Article
15 Illuminated
16 Oriental nurse
17 Type of role
18 Without end
19 Settle in advance
23 Ancient chariots
26 District in Germany
29 Playthings
32 Soak thoroughly
33 Civil disturbance
35 Hebrew letter
36 Narrow opening
37 Misleads
40 Shovels
42 Reward
43 Declared
45 Moved in a circle, as cattle
48 Harem room
52 Activities of daily living: abbr.
56 Go away!
58 Assistants
59 Cattle groups
60 Actor Peter —
62 Places; stations
63 Waits on
65 Bond nemesis
66 Complains
67 Parts
68 Solemn wonder
69 Mild expletive
71 Scolded
73 Brittle
75 Grain
76 Brood of pheasants
79 Earth goddess
81 — garde
84 Bushy clump
87 Criticize sharply
89 Source of water
92 Financial institution
93 Crafty
94 Jamie — Curtis
95 Chimney carbon
97 — Angeles
98 Jumps
99 Lean-tos
100 Paddle
101 Weaving machine
102 Also
103 Abstract being
106 Instrument
109 Rotten to the —
113 Snare
115 Astaire ID
116 String
119 "— Town"
121 "Family —"
123 Comely
124 Anger
125 — agent
126 Betrothed
128 Weaken
130 Team of 97 Down
132 Locks of hair
133 Danson or Koppel
134 Argued
135 Sunset State
138 Fathers
141 Condensed moisture
144 Spanish article
146 The universe
148 Grants use of
149 "— Law"
150 Turkish decree
151 Shipworm
152 Mr. Pacino
154 Level
156 Fabricator
158 — majeste
159 Couch
162 Age
164 Key lime —
166 Explosive: abbr.
167 Sailor
170 Italian river
174 Six-pointer: abbr.

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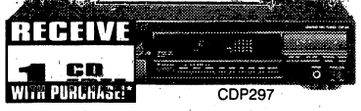

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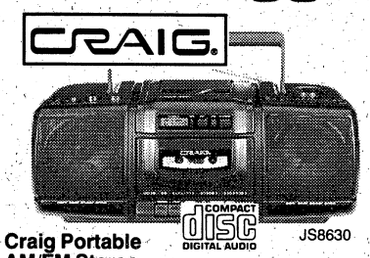

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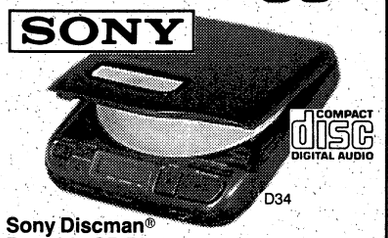

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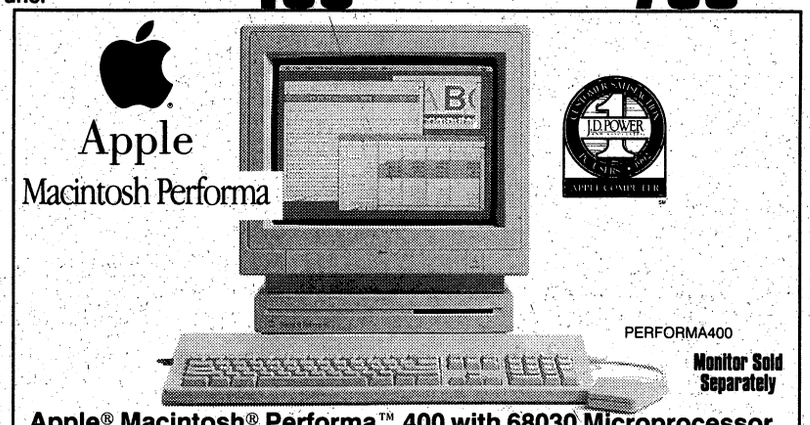

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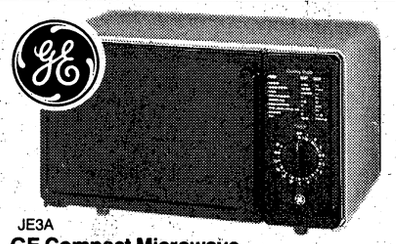

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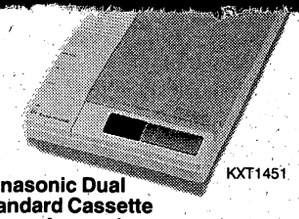

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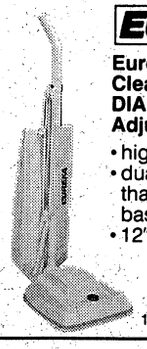

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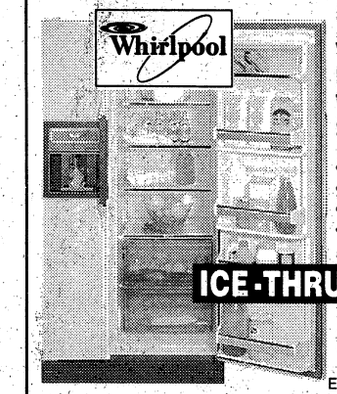

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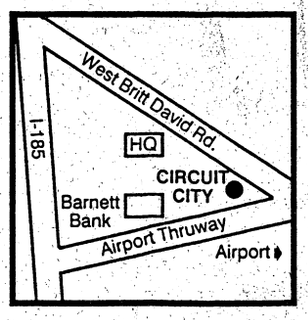

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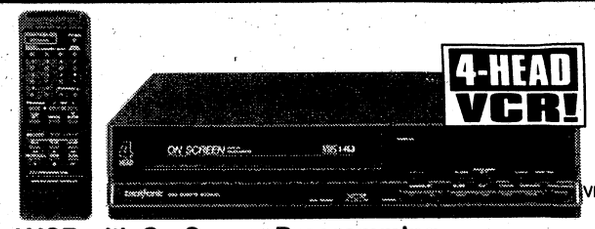

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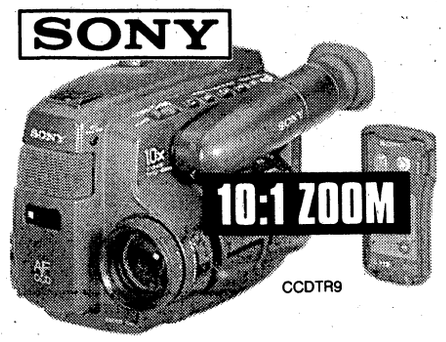

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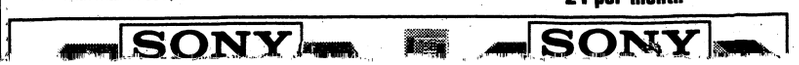

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By Clint Claybrook
Staff Writer

For 46 years after leaving the military, Bennie Coggins could barely speak, but the Army wouldn't tell him why. Veterans Administration hospital doctors kept telling him his nerves were causing the problem — and for decades kept giving him only tranquilizers.

At long last, after reading in 1992 about World War II GIs being used as human guinea pigs in mustard gas experiments, Coggins learned he was one of them.

Coggins, 66, is one of 23 people in Georgia and Alabama identified by the Veterans Administration as possibly being eligible for benefits because of long-term health problems tied to the 1940s gas tests. There are some 4,000 veterans across the country who may be eligible for compensation or benefits, the VA says.

The decision was overdue, primarily because the experiments were kept secret and soldiers involved were warned never to talk about them. The VA came up with the list only after a $600,000 study by the Institute of Medicine.

"The years of silent suffering have ended for these World War II veterans who participated in secret testing during their military service," says Anthony J. Principi, acting Secretary of Veterans Affairs.

Coggins, a Phenix City resident, recalls being locked in gas chambers with other soldiers at Salinas, Calif., in 1944. They were ordered to roll their sleeves down and turn their collars up, then were exposed for "10 or 15 minutes" to what he now knows was mustard gas. He says it sometimes took two or three minutes to get his bulky, World War II-era gas mask in place after vapors started seeping into the enclosed chambers.

It didn't take long for the after-effects to show up. A few weeks later, while stationed on Saipan for what he thought was staging for an assault on the Japanese mainland, Coggins lost his voice. The problem would lead to his discharge in 1946. He had enlisted in 1944.

The Army initially declared him 30 percent disabled, but when he forgot to re-apply or didn't go for an examination in 1948, his disability was downgraded to 10 percent.

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For the next 46 years, Coggins would struggle to talk. It got so bad that eventually the Singer Sewing Machine Co. placed him on disability retirement. That came after his voice deteriorated to the point he couldn't leave messages on company answering machines. Such messages were crucial to his job as a manager and sales representative, he says.

After reading in a veterans magazine last year about the long-term effects of the World War II experiments, Coggins — with the help of Russell County veterans service officer Jim Hinson — convinced the VA that the gas tests were responsible for his speech problems.

A University of Alabama-Birmingham doctor who was also working at the VA Medical Center in Birmingham implanted a plastic tube in Coggins' throat that "pushed my right vocal cord over" so that his voice was — almost miraculously — restored. The transformation was so great that even his son and daughter didn't recognize their father on the telephone.

With Hinson's help, the VA also last year increased Coggins' disability rating from 10 percent to 30 percent, which is worth $270 a month.

But the VA still hasn't acted on his application for additional disability pay because of what Coggins says Birmingham doctors told him is an 80 percent loss of hearing in one ear and 70 percent in the other. He says civilian doctors have said that is probably due to his Army service with an anti-aircraft artillery outfit and might be connected to his speech problems. "After they fixed my voice, I can't hear anything," he says.

Coggins figures he was stiffed by his government for too long. That was partly because it's nearly impossible for a veteran to find his way through the VA bureaucratic maze to get help, he says. Coggins has been telling VA doctors for years about his hearing problems, but still is unsure whether they're even noted in his military medical file.

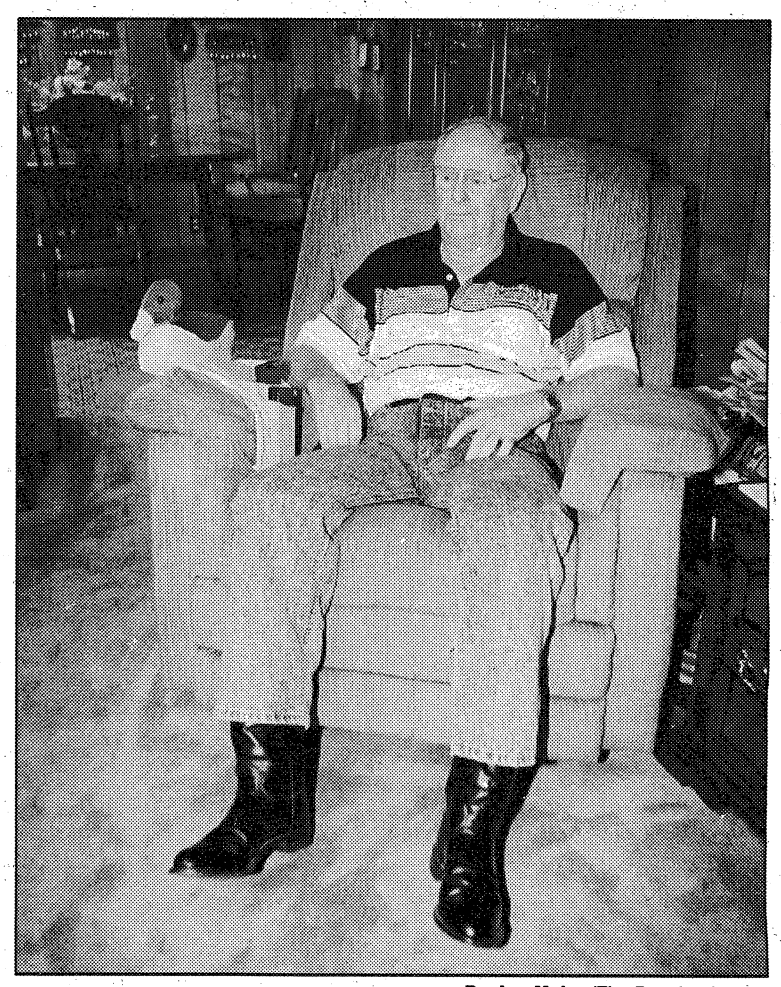
He also figures he's due some compensation for hearing loss — which Hinson is working on at the moment — and maybe some back pay. Coggins says even a hearing aid would be appreciated, but first he has to prove that he's 50 percent disabled, or prove to the VA's satisfaction that he has 10 percent hearing loss in each ear, he says.

Today, soldiers leaving the Army — for any reason — ought to "get some advice" about how to deal with the VA and make sure that any potential health problem is noted at the time of discharge, Coggins says.

"I feel like I was short-changed," he says of his nearly half-century of being kept in the dark about the reasons for his health problems. He's not sure other problems, including welts on his skin, didn't also result from the exposure.

Terry Jemison, a spokesman for the VA Central Office in Washington, D.C., says veterans who think they might be eligible for benefits because of such tests should file new claims with their regional offices or re-file old claims previously denied.

The VA has acknowledged mustard gas can cause such ailments as laryngitis, chronic bronchitis, emphysema, asthma and corneal opacities.



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COMMUNITY

General: Military still excellent opportunity for minorities

By Jerry Rutledge
Leader Editor

Minority Americans have found the military to be a good source for career opportunities. That has not changed, says the Army's assistant deputy chief of staff for personnel.

Maj. Gen. Fred A. Gorden, guest speaker for Fort Benning's commemoration of the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. holiday, said despite fears that the reduced size of today's military will hurt minorities more, it remains a good career choice.

"That is my experience and it certainly is my personal experience," said Gorden after the services in Infantry Hall's Marshall Auditorium. "Gen. (Colin L.) Powell — and I've heard him say it many times — and I frankly believe that we have as many blacks in the military in what corresponds with the executive ranks in industry as any other entity in society.

GORDEN

"As we draw down the force, indications are that minorities are staying proportionately in greater numbers than others. And that again is an indication that we are being just as successful as we ever were in attracting (minorities) and offering them the opportunity for success."

The general said this should allay fears voiced by some civil rights leaders that the troop reduction would have a larger adverse effect on minorities.

"Proportionately, that does not bear out," he said. "The rate in virtually every enlisted grade shows that as we are doing the drawdown the 'stay' rate (for minorities) is equal to what it was before or greater. The same thing is happening with women and (minority) officers hanging right in there. I think it's very encouraging that the Army, in particular, is continually offering opportunities for success."

The service, the first of several events commemorating the birthday of the slain civil rights leader, was highlighted by Gorden's speech and a rousing musical performance by soloist Chiquita Brown.

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Gorden, who was born in Anniston, Ala., lived in Atlanta and graduated from high school in Battle Creek, Mich., before earning an appointment to the U.S. Military Academy; spoke about the significance of the holiday and the changes King's work caused in American society.

"Designating a national holiday in his honor is our basic way of paying the ultimate tribute to this great American," said Gorden. "And today ... Americans officially recognize Dr. Martin Luther King's lifelong commitment and struggle for those most sublime and noblest of American ideals — those ideals of equality, of justice and of freedom."

In his career, Gorden has recorded a number of accomplishments that include being the first black commandant of cadets at West Point and commanding general of Hawaii's Tropic Lightning Division.

EQUIPMENT

Somalia deployment giving military shops a big boost

By Clint Claybrook
Staff Writer

The well-dressed, well-supplied soldier destined for duty overseas in Somalia is augmenting his government issue with everything from Mag Lites — those relatively new, tiny high-powered flashlights — to Leatherman folding tools to that old staple of field soldiers, the Swiss Army knife.

Those have been the big items soldiers of the 36th Engineer Group, headed for Somalia, have been buying, says Sara Purgason, supervisor of sales and service at ARCCO Military Sales and Service on Victory Drive. Purgason says, surprisingly, there has been no big run on insect repellent and not even much of a demand for mosquito nets among the soldiers. Insects and pests are big problems in Somalia.

The Leatherman tools — a tool which incorporates pliers, knife blades, a screwdriver and other implements — have been hot items, as have Swiss Army knives and gloves, said Ed Dodson, supervisor of sales.

About the cover

Teresa Hernandez, a salesperson at Ranger Joe's, works on a display of patriotic items which have been selling well lately. The photo was taken by Joe Maher.

Desert BDUs (battle dress uniforms) and their floppy Boonie hats remain popular with grownups as well as kids, Dodson added.

Rocco Tauriello, the manager for Ranger Joe's, a Victory Drive military sales store, said he's noted no particular local shopping binge associated with the 36th Group's deployment.

But he said red-white-and-blue items have been selling well lately — similar to the increase in sales of "patriotic"-type items during Desert Shield/Desert Storm.

Tauriello said one thing that really has increased in sales is personal protection items for women, like a CS2 paralyzer tear gas and stun guns. "The guys have been buying them for their wives," he said. "The regular items like canteens and covers and boots are items we've really noticed sales increases in."

"My mail order activity was going crazy" in the early days of deployments to Somalia, Tauriello said, with most of those rush orders coming from 10th Mountain Division soldiers who wanted everything from extra desert BDUs to sewing kits and tan name tags.

"Reverse U.S.A. flags" for shoulder patches were also popular with those troops, who wanted practically everything the next day once they got deployment orders.

Convenience is sometimes as big a selling point as price for today's GIs, Purgason said. "They'll come here for the convenience, and they like the friendliness and the casualness here," she said. "A lot of them say it's real inconvenient to spend time (at a clothing sales outlet) on post." The price is sometimes substantially lower on post, but there are also sometimes shortages of must-have items at those Army shops.

A soldier can't stand a "show-down" or "lay-out" inspection if he doesn't have the required personal equipment and uniforms and sometimes he doesn't remember he's short a BDU jacket until the night before, long after the clothing sales stores on post have closed.

By Joe Maher/The Benning Leader
Sara Purgason and Ed Dodson say sales at ARCCO Military Sales and Service on Victory Drive have been strong lately.

FYI

The Pemberton House, 11 Seventh St., was the home of Dr. John S. Pemberton, originator of the Coca-Cola formula. Call the Historic Columbus Foundation at 322-0756 for information about tours of this and other historic sites.

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RELIGION

Some Western evangelists pushing themselves on Russians

By George Cornell
Associated Press

At an Orthodox seminary in St. Petersburg, Russia, an American church visitor observed several U.S. evangelists trying to implant their particular brand of Christianity on students training for the Russian church's ministry.

"A variety of Western evangelists would corner students in the dormitory hallways or other places, trying to proselytize them," said the Rev. Elaine Stanovsky, head of the Greater Church Council of Greater Seattle, Wash.

"I was appalled," she added in an interview. "It broke my heart."

She said such activity undercuts indigenous Russian churches, both predominant Russian Orthodoxy and also Baptist, Pentecostal, Methodist and other Protestant churches that have survived 70 years of oppression.

"It's plain arrogance for Western evangelists to go in and say we know best how to evangelize the nation. A more humble and ecumenical approach is to support revitalization of the churches that have endured all those years."

She said many U.S. churches are doing that — helping indigenous churches restore property and providing Western resources and relief aid — but some groups with misplaced evangelistic zeal are "scrabbling for the faithful."

Stanovsky, a United Methodist, isn't the first to consider outsiders wooing converts in Russia as potentially offensive and harmful. Similar criticism has come from others.

Lutheran Bishop Eero Huovinen of Helsinki, Finland, commenting on an evangelizing group's plans for preaching missions last fall in cities along the Volga River, said:

"The temptation of rich Western Christians is to rush to the East with ready-made programs instead of openly listening to the needs and wisdom of Christians who have suffered so much.

"Russia is not a confessionally neutral country where you can pass by the churches that already exist there. The mission work directed eastward is only justified if those churches which already exist and their faith are taken seriously."

The Rev. Don Kammerdiener, interim president of the Southern Baptist Foreign Missions Board, said Baptists and other Christians in the former Soviet Union for years have surmounted "the most difficult trials of their lives."

Westerners "won't do anything of long-lasting value unless we go first to them as learners," he told the Women's Missionary Union.

Conflicts have arisen even between some indigenous churches, particularly in the Ukraine where Orthodox and newly restored Eastern-Rite Catholic churches have feuded over jurisdiction and property.

From the West, both Roman Catholics and Protestant denominations have directed a steady stream of aid to Christians in the former communist countries, including Bibles, Christian teaching materials, food relief and some personnel.

Generally, the work is done in cooperation with existing east European churches, thousands of whose buildings have been returned to them by the new parliament-led government.

United Methodists named a bishop to coordinate their mission work there — Bishop Ruediger Minor of Dresden, Germany. He is posted in Moscow to oversee longtime congregations and foster new ones.

He stressed ecumenical cooperation and sensitivity to indigenous church workers, saying that Russia should not be treated as "a place for church planting like a new suburb of an American city."

U.S. Roman Catholic bishops in November extended for a fourth year their annual collections to aid churches in eastern Europe, with much of the funds providing scholarships for seminarians and religious personnel.

IN BRIEF

Confirmation classes begin Feb. 2

A new series of confirmation classes will begin Feb. 2 and be held from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. The series will be held each Tuesday through April 6 at the Religious Education Center, building 2518. The class will be taught by Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Roger Kappel.

For registration and information, call 545-2288.

SUPPORT GROUP: An adult survivors of sexual abuse support group will begin Feb. 5 and be held from noon until 1:30 p.m. Meetings will be held every Wednesday through April 14 at the Chaplains Family Life Center, Soldier's Plaza, building 2606. For more information, contact Chaplain (Maj.) James Rayburn at 545-1760.

PRAYER BREAKFAST: The commanding general's annual National Prayer Breakfast will be held Feb. 11 at 6:30 a.m. at the Main NCO Club ballroom.

Everyone is welcome. For tickets, contact the USAIC Chaplains' Office at 545-2288.

MEMORIAL SERVICE: A memorial service honoring the 50th anniversary of the sinking of the Dorchester will be held 10 a.m. Feb. 3 at the Infantry Center Chapel, Building 101.

For information, call Chaplain (Capt.) Gilley Richardson at 545-1314.

"LIFE GIVING LOVE": The Military Council of Catholic Women are presenting a series of talks by Scott and Kimberly Hahn and Dr. Thomas Zepeda. The series is titled "Life Giving Love." It focuses on discovering the meaning of Christian sex and marriage. The topics for each week are:

Jan. 27 — Marriage Covenant and Birth Control.

Feb. 3 — Natural Law and Birth Control.

Feb. 10 — The Bible and Birth Control.

Feb. 17 — Dr. Thomas Zepeda will speak about birth control from a physician's perspective.

The series will be held from 9:30 a.m. until noon at the Infantry Center Annex. Child care is free of charge.

For more information, call Teresa Zepeda at 682-3918 or Jackie Place at 689-6496.

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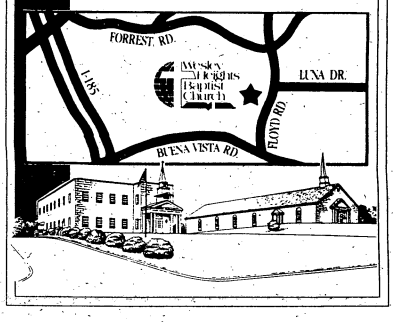

AUSA urges better support for civilian work force

As stated in a special issue of the AUSA News, "Army Civilians are Equal Partners on the Total Army Team," Department of the Army civilian employees bring a high level of leadership, technical knowledge, experience and continuity to the operations of the U.S. Army. This is particularly true at Fort Benning, where the civilian work force contributes so much and so well to the military missions assigned to the post. It is also important to remember that as residents of the tri-community, they provide a vital link between the military and civilian communities.

Ben Register

AUSA's national Department of the Army Civilians Advisory Committee, consisting of the key Army civilians representing major Army installations and commands, now meets twice a year and conducts a seminar in October at the association's annual meeting that focuses on the Army civilian. This is the largest and most visible gathering of DA civilians in the world today. As such, AUSA has become the single most effective organization that promotes major benefits for the Army civilian employee. Over the past few years, Army civilian membership has increased in AUSA reflecting an awareness of civilian issues. The civilian personnel resolutions adopted at the recent AUSA meeting follow and demonstrate the commitment by AUSA to the civilian work force.

AUSA Resolution 93-13
Civilian Personnel

A quality civilian work force is essential to Army readiness. Civilian employees must be recruited and developed to meet current and future Army requirements.

The need for strong civilian personnel programs has increased with the advance of technology, the reliance on commercial activity contracts for installation support functions and the civilization of managerial positions traditionally assigned to military personnel. Civilians comprise much of the Army's sustaining use, performing critical functions in complex fields, such as acquisition, logistics, health care, and research and development.

Deployment of civil service personnel contributed to the success of Operations Desert Shield and Desert Storm. Changes to policy and procedures pertaining to the deployment of civilian personnel are necessary to improve future Army capability to execute the National Military Strategy.

Civilians hired overseas, to include family and retired service members, are often discriminated against, both at home and abroad. Those hired overseas do not receive Local Quarters Allowance and are, therefore, compensated at lower levels than their counterparts hired in the United States. Upon return, they do not enjoy career status and enjoy none of the job protection and preference benefits in spite of often long and dedicated service to the Army.

Downsizing the Army will have significant impact on civilian employees and their families. Programs and initiatives to provide incentives and flexibility are necessary to assure a smooth transition of Army civilians to the private sector.

The overseas local national work force provides a necessary component in supporting the Army abroad. Language, knowledge of the host nation and locally required skills are essential to many organizations. Many positions would be prohibitively expensive if supported by DA civilians from the United States. While reduction of the local national work force is necessary, care must be exercised to ensure that a cost-effective balance is achieved.

We therefore resolve to urge the Administration and Congress to support legislation that:

■ Modernizes, simplifies and improves civilian personnel systems.

■ Establishes automobile shipping entitlements for DOD civilians similar to those of the military.

■ Ensure that all DA civilians at overseas locations are providing adequate government housing, leased quarters, or a housing allowance commensurate with the overseas location of living.

■ Facilitates deployment of civil service personnel in contingency operations.

■ Supports training and education programs that promote professional development and leadership.

WE FURTHER RESOLVE to urge the Administration and Congress to:

■ Provide expanded child care services for children of the civilian work force.

■ Enable conversion to competitive civil service status of civilians, including Army family and retired service members, hired on overseas limited appointments.

■ Permit sick leave transfers to employees who qualify for leave assistance due to personal or family illness.

■ Extend employment opportunities of the Military Spouse Preference Program to spouses of DA civilians assigned overseas.

■ Resist all attempts to eliminate or imprudently reduce the local national work force overseas.

■ Provide for special inducements, benefits and flexibility in the drawdown of the civilian work force.

Ben Register, a retired lieutenant general, is president of the Chattahoochee Valley-Fort Benning Chapter of the Association of the United States Army (AUSA).

Gateway to Care meetings coming to end

From staff reports

Within the next three weeks, Martin Army Community Hospital officials will hold the last of their briefings to explain Gateway to Care and answer questions about the hospital's new managed care system.

The meetings will be held at 6 p.m. in Infantry Hall's Marshall Auditorium on Tuesday and again on Feb. 2 and 9.

The briefings are open to retirees and to all soldiers and their dependents who missed earlier meetings with Gateway officials.

Joining the Gateway to Care program is optional, but is necessary to be assigned to a family practice clinic. Eligible beneficiaries will be able to sign up for the program at the briefings.

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IN BRIEF

Cardiac, diabetic group meets Monday

The Cardiac and Diabetic Support Group will hold a meeting Monday at 6 p.m. in the Baugh Conference Room in Martin Army Community Hospital.

Other events include bowling Sunday at the Post Exchange at the Main Mall Bowling Center. Bowling starts at 5:30 p.m.

For more information, call Thomas E. Valitzski at 561-3077.

CIVILIANS AWARDS: The January civilian awards luncheon will be held at the Supper Club at the Fort Benning Officers' Club Jan. 28 at 11:30 a.m. The Directorate of Logistics will serve as host.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS: The Fort Benning Alcoholics Anonymous group meets every Monday, Thursday and Saturday at 7 p.m. in the basement of the Directorate of Community Activities, Building 241. Entrance is in the rear of the building.

BIG BROTHERS NEEDED: Big Brothers for boys ages 7 to 15 years old from single-parent families are needed.

More than 70 boys want to have a big brother with whom to share different recreational, cultural and educational activities.

For information, call 327-3238.

TEEN COUNCIL: Teens who want to become involved in the community can develop a teen action plan and learn leadership and team-building skills by joining Youth Services' Teen Council. The council is for youths ages 13 to 18.

For more information, call 545-3070 or 545-7945.

"WAITING SPOUSES": A new support group for "waiting spouses," those who are waiting for their spouse to return from a permanent change of station, is being organized.

For more information, call Ava Morrow at 545-5602 or 545-3016.

Army names Smith Athlete of Year

From staff reports

Army Spc. Rodney Smith of Fort Benning has been named the 1992 All-Army Male Athlete of the Year, said Fort Benning spokesman Al Blanchard.

Smith received the honor based on winning a bronze medal in Greco-Roman wrestling at the Olympics in Barcelona, Spain.

Blanchard said Smith was not available for comment, but Smith is expected to be in in town Saturday at the Hardaway Wrestling Invitational.

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WW II 50TH ANNIVERSARY

Fifty years ago this week, President Franklin Roosevelt and Britain's Prime Minister Winston Churchill concluded the 10-day Casablanca Conference, having worked with the Combined Chiefs of Staff from both countries to formulate plans for Allied offensives scheduled for 1943 to include the invasion of Sicily. Additionally, the groundwork had been laid for a major cross-channel attack planned for the following year. Roosevelt referred to the conference as "the unconditional surrender meeting."

Here, according to research by the Military History Division at Fort Benning, were the top news items of the week 50 years go:

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On the Eastern Front, Soviet forces made further gains in Russia, capturing Salsk and Armavir in the Caucasus Mountain area, Starobielsk in the Donetz sector and a railway station in Kastornaya on the Voronezh front. The continued Soviet success forced the Germans to completely abandon a former strong point at Voronezh.

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The Eighth U.S. Army Air Force flew the first American bombing mission over Germany, raiding the city of Wilhelmshaven and successfully destroying 22 enemy aircraft while losing only three of its own.

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In North Africa, Britain's Eighth Army captured Tripoli and Zauia in Tripolitania.

■

In Japan, Prime Minister Hideki Tojo reviewed the country's current wartime conditions while addressing its parliamentary council, the Diet.

■

Infantry School instructors teaching the art of warfare at Fort Benning added realism to simulated battlefield operations by incorporating the chaos of sound effects into the training.

FYI

The Housing Referral Office provides assistance to all military personnel, their family members and Department of the Army civilians moving to the community. The Referral Office is located in Building 2622. Office hours are 7:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Call 545-3921.

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A-Z SERVICES

CLEANING SERVICES C3

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CHILD CARE C7

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MISC. SERVICES M1

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000 ANNOUNCEMENTS

PUBLIC NOTICES 016

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PERSONALS 020

Are You Troubled? Need to talk? Call CONTACT. We care. 24 hrs. Free. 327-3999

035 MERCHANDISE

ANTIQUES 036

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APPLIANCE SALES 040

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KENMORE SPEED QUEEN washer, needs minor repair, looks brand new, paperwork still available, $125/offer. Call 297-6311

Refrigerator/Freezer, GE, white, $100 or best offer. Call 291-9171 or 682-8421.

Refrigerator Frost free, 2 door, $175. Upright Freezer, frost free, $150. Call 682-1057

SEARS CHEST FREEZER, white, 5.3 cbft, like new, $125, 9mos. Call 297-3101

UPRIGHT WHIRLPOOL freezer, frost free, 15.2cu.ft., $100. 561-0063

WASHER & DRYER matched set, $275. Call 682-1057

COMPUTERS & EQUIP. 052

APPLE IIE w/printer, software & books, floppy disk drive, hard drive & mouse. Like new! $475. 571-9265

MACPLUS Computer: 2 mb ram, w/external drive, keyboard, Imagewriter II printer, $750; call 327-1247

FURNITURE FOR SALE 058

A 3 piece living room set w/chair, loveseat, & couch, $200/offer. Call 569-5190

Changing table, $65; drafting table, $15; dry sink, $150; oak coffee table & 2 end tables, $200 for the set. Call 685-1089

GERMAN SHRANK solid oak, beautiful condition, $1200/best offer. 563-5248

LIKE NEW, brown, plush, full size, hide-a-bed sofa, $300! Call 571-0515

MATCHING Sofa, 2 chairs, coffee table/ottoman, $300 or best offer. 568-4847

NICE Frigidaire Refrigerator, 19 cubic feet, frost-free, $250. Call 561-8311.

PAPASAN CHAIR, floral cushion, $65; small wooden desk, $25; rocking chair, $25. Call 569-7503

QUEEN size bed, headboard w/mirror, complete w/ mattresses & frame. $100. Call 596-9272 after 5pm

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RECLINER, dark blue-gray, perfect cond., $150/neg. Call 323-6930

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Windsor Oak Bedroom Suite, exc. cond. Queen size cannonball bed, 2 nightstands, armoire & library table. $999. 324-7093 after 5pm

SPORTS EQUIP. & SUPPLIES 064

Ping Golf Clubs 2-pw, like new, $500. 2 tailor made woods & bag, $200. 324-4913 lv. name/number

STAIRMASTER
Like new, Lifestyler SX II $250! Call 327-5344

Weslo Aerobike 1500 w/programmable resistance, upper & lower body motion, like new, $125; DP "Fit for Life" Airgometer Stair Stepper w/programmable resistance, like new, $125; call 563-8014

JEWELRY 068

Sekio Gold Watches (2), like new, less than 1 yr old, $125 each. Call 297-6311 and leave a message.

ZONE 2
GEORGIA

BIG FAMILY YARD SALE Sat., Jan. 23rd and Sun., Jan. 24th. 6707 Clove Cir., off Dorothy Dr., off Buena Vista Rd. 8:00am-?

ZONE 4
GEORGIA

OWC Thift Shop Flea Market Corner of Dixie Rd & Ingersoll St. Jan. 9 & Jan. 23 this month. 8am-12noon

MISC. FOR SALE 076

An 8X10 utility building, good cond., $500/neg.; floor rug, $45; (3) ceiling fans, $13 each; call 687-4161

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2 Dupont Stainmaster Carpets, 9x12, bound, in Wedgewood blue & dusty rose. New, exc. cond. $80. ea. One 9x12 bound carpet, very light blue, plush, needs cleaning, $30 neg. 596-0865, serious calls.

MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS 078

D. REDDING MUSIC
Beallwood Conn./50th St. Crate G60 amp, $250. Hohner Les Paul, $450. **596-1260**

PIANO - Kimball Artist Console, $950/best offer. Call 324-0377

TV-VIDEO STEREO SALES 096

Mitsubishi *multi* system VCR w/remote, exc cond., perfect for overseas tours, $390/FIRM; call 685-1089

TV Satellite dish system, almost new, best offer. Call 561-8428

220w KENWOOD Stereo, Eq, Tuner, Pre-Amp/Amp, C-Deck, two 350w speakers. All for $650. Call 687-7447.

MERCHANDISE WANTED 098

CASH FOR GOOD USED UNWANTED ITEMS
TVs, Stereos, Baby Beds, furniture. We also have adult gag gifts. Waters *Junk*, 929 Ft. Benning Rd. 687-6761. Cash paid.

BARGAIN COLUMN 099

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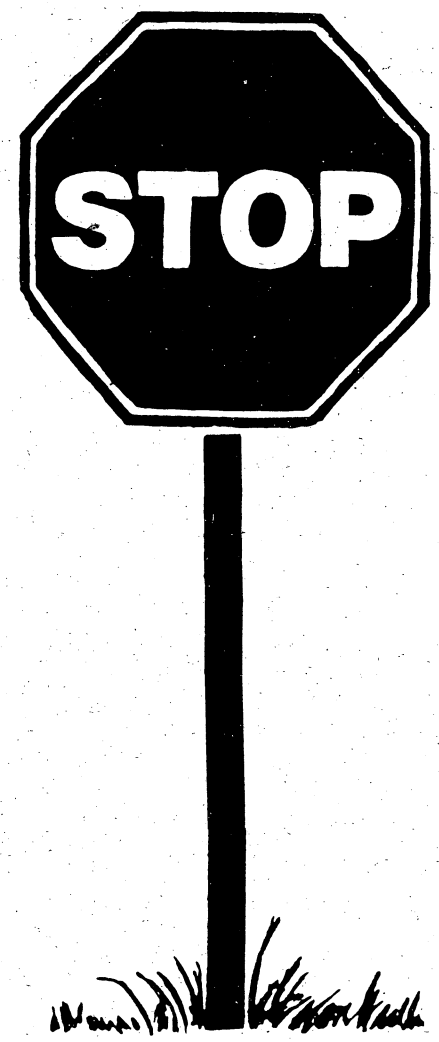

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PETS 122

AKC DALMATIANS, Call Gene Connell after 7 p.m. 912-336-0959 Sale City, GA.

AKC German Shepherd, female, 12 wks, $100. Call 298-8255 or 685-0182.

AKC GERMAN Short Haired pups, 6wks. old. Hunting line dogs. $175. (912) 928-5626 after 6pm

AKC MALTESE, 8 wks, 1-M $250, 1-F $300. Very tiny. 298-8255 or 685-0182

AKC Mini Dachsund Pups & AKC English Bull Dog Pups. Champ bloodline, call 855-3483, local.

AKC Reg. Rottweiler Pups Must sell! Exc. bloodline! Make offer! 706-628-4755

AKC Rottweiler Pups, health record up-to-date. Parents on premises. $275. 596-1833

AKC YORKIE, male, 6wks old, $350. Parents 3lbs each. Call 561-9455

ALL ● BREED Dog Training Academy 563-6568

BRITTS Have 5 males, 6 mths to 3 yrs old, both colors, hunting bloodlines. Call 706-643-3664 West Point.

Mexican Red-Head Parrot: Vocabulary very much, moving to Germany, must sell, $600; call 568-0120

Purebred Mini Schnauzers. 2 girls, 8wks, salt & pepper, $135. Call Mady, 689-9309

Rottweiler Pups, European champ. bloodline, 5 wks. old, $350. 689-0740

PETS-LOST & FOUND 127

HAVE YOU LOST YOUR PET? Please contact the Muscogee County Humane Society at 7133 Sacerdote Lane, off Schatulga Road, 706-563-4929 or the Russell County Humane Society at 205-298-0080.

YOU CAN HELP SAVE A PET
Call our 24-hour hotline for lost & found pets. 576-6009.

FREE COLUMN ANIMALS 130

NOTICE

The Columbus Ledger-Enquirer is proud to offer the **FREE COLUMN** as a valuable service to our customers. In addition to placing your **FREE COLUMN** ad, we recommend that you contact The Muscogee Co. or Russell Co. Humane Societies for important safety precautions you may wish to consider when finding a home for your pet. To find out more about what you can do to protect your animal, call your local Humane Society at 298-0080 (Russell Co.) or 563-3647 (Muscogee Co.)

WANTED TO BUY 142

Albany Pallet Exchange. We buy 48x40 wooden pallets, in Richland, GA. Highest prices paid. Call 1-800-763-6487, ask for Lynne.

200 EMPLOYMENT

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Abbreviations 202

Below you will find a listing of common employment abbreviations which you may find in our classified advertisements. We hope this will help your decision-making process.

office - ofc.
home - hm.
work - wk.
part time - P/T
full time - F/T
experience - exp.
technician - tech.
commercial driver's license - CDL
over-the-road - OTR
service - svc.
assistant - asst.
system - sys.
references - ref.
required - req.
words per minute - wpm
secretary - sec'y
weekends - wkends
section - sec.
superintendent - super
Monday-Friday - M-F
Male/Female - M/F
Veterans/Handicapped - V/H
Equal Employment Opportunity - EEO
Affirmative Action - AA
experienced - exp.
department - dept.

MANAGEMENT EMPLOYMENT 210

SALES RECRUITING MANAGERS WANTED!
$8000 monthly part-time potential! Direct Sales Agents Wanted $4000 part-time potential! Big Ticket Commissions. Free information package. Call toll-free 1-800-365-7550 Extension #7114-M (24 hrs)

STORE MANAGER AND ASSISTANT MANAGER
Positions avail. in Columbus. You must have recent management experience in women's specialty apparel. Call Monday 9 til 5. 404-963-1700 or mail resume to: **Georgia Girl, 621 Old Norcross Place, Lawrenceville, GA 30245.**

EMPLOYMENT AGENCIES 214

CONSTRUCTION WORKERS needed for relocation, all skills. 1-800-362-6607.

JOB LISTINGS/ DIRECTORIES 215

U.S. Postal/Gov't Jobs $15.00/hr. Now testing. For appl/details, 404-723-7234.

HELP WANTED GENERAL 216

AGENTS

ROCK-&-ROLL
Now hiring 17 to 25 guys and gals, sharp, enthusiastic, able to start today. Fun + Sun including HI, AZ, CA, + Las Vegas. **No exp. necessary.** Two week expense paid training with return transportation guaranteed. Parents welcome at interview. For interview call Wanda Beck at 322-6580.

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AVON No door-to-door sales necessary! Local 563-5005; other areas 1-800-338-5870

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SECRETARY/Receptionist /Bookkeeper Applications for this position taken 1/20 thru 1/25 at Gymnastics Unlimited, 4883 Milgen Rd.

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HELP WANTED PART-TIME 218

**** AVON **** Earn to $200-$1200 mo. Training & support. 1-800-329-AVON.

FRIENDLY DESK CLERK
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SALES PART TIME. Merchandiser needed for local area. Must have vehicle and background in retail. Apply to Box 232 c/o Ledger Enquirer, P. O. Box 711, Columbus, GA. 31902-0711.

MEDICAL DENTAL 220

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Carol Hardy 335 Macon Avenue Eufaula, AL 36027 205-687-7641 1-800-467-0130

PART-TIME MEDICAL ASSISTANT
Needed for medical office. Experience preferred but not essential. Please call 571-2273.

PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT 224

CREATIVE SERVICE DIRECTOR
Award winning Producer, writer, director w/organizational skills. Responsible for daily scheduling, commercial writing & billing. Degree & 2yrs. exp. in TV/Radio. Resume/tape by Jan. 29th to:
Production MGR. WTVM TV, Dept. C P.O. Box 1848 Cols., GA 31994
EOE

PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT 224

Nail Tech/Cosmetologist
Needed for growing salon. Call 291-0033

SALES 226

SCHOOL MARKET/PUBLIC RELATIONS. Perfect 2nd family income $14-24K, marketing national product in schools. PTA, Educational, Real Estate background helpful. Mgmt possibilities. 800-927-4749, ext 99, Mon-Fri

TELEMARKETING sales rep wanted. $75 to $150 wk. Charity fundraiser. Call collect 404-843-9160 Mr. Wicker.

SKILLS & TRADES 228

SECURITY OFFICERS needed. 2 yrs. min. experience, Medical benefits. 1-800-528-0739, ext. 299.

WANTED: EXPERIENCED SEWER LINE LABORERS. $6.50 per hr. Call after 5 p.m. Monday thru Thursday 326-7626 after the beeps dial 615-943-0138

JOB WANTED 230

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MORTGAGES 413

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500 REAL ESTATE RENTALS

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bedroom - BR
bathroom - BA
dining room - DR
living room - LR
greatroom - GR
fireplace - FP
central heat/air-cent. h/a
washer/dryer - w/d connections-w/d conn.
refrigerator - fridge
available - avail.
north - N.
south - S.
Columbus - Cols.
Phenix City- P.C.
acres - ac.
minutes - min.
apartment - apt.
month - mo.
subdivision - S/D
large - lg.
double - dbl.
years - yrs.
utilities - util.
highway - hwy
condominium - condo
appliances - appl.
payments - pymts.
furnished - furn.
unfurnished - unf.
references - ref.
required - req.

TOWNHOUSES & CONDOS 517

WEST OVER GLEN - Condo - 2BRs, 1½BAs, immediate occupancy. $450. **HERITAGE HOMES 596-1339**

FURNISHED APTS. GA 518

NICE 2BR Close to Benning. Air, carpet, no pets! $280. Call 324-0224.

UNFURNISHED APTS. GA 520

CAMELLIA APARTMENTS
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Cable Plus, dishwasher, W/D conn., microwave, extras.
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UNFURNISHED APTS. GA 520

BY OWNER, 1BR apt. Just refinished. $150 mo. 505 23rd St., Apt B. Call 324-3230 or 1-404-995-5733.

TRAFFIC GARDENS 1600 Fl. Benning Road
1 & 2 BR, plus townhouses. $215 to $245. Remodeled, new carpet, cable tv., burglar doors, 689-1425.

UNFURNISHED APTS. AL 521

DUPLEX: stove, ice, dishwasher, 2BR, $360mo. 297-0412 or 298-9857

UNFURNISHED HOUSES GA 526

HART - North Cols., 2BR, screened front porch, fenced yard, storage bldg., stove & refrig. Avail. now. $400. **HERITAGE HOMES**

Near Ft. Benning: 3BR, 1BA 2727 Ladd St., 2442 & 2444 Broadmoor Dr. 561-7382, 687-8828, 689-3767

PINTAIL - Beaver Run - Exec rental! 3BR, 2½BA, beautiful landscaping. Avail. Feb 1. $1200. 596-1339 **HERITAGE HOMES**

TRENTON CT - Battle Forest area. 3BR, 2BA, spacious living area. Huge, fenced backyard. Available immediately. $625. **HERITAGE HOMES**

3BR, 2BA, cent. h/a, DR, den, fenced large lot, $600 mo. + dep. 568-3810

600 REAL ESTATE SALES

TOWNHOUSES & CONDOS 612

Hidden Lakes Luxury Condo. 2200 sq.ft. 3BR, 3½BA, new modern kitchen. Must see to appreciate! Contact 568-1628 for appt. after 6pm or days, 323-2721 ext. 129.

HOMES FOR SALE AL 614

HOUSE WITH 5 ACRES
3BR, 2BA, DR, GR w/fp, eat in kitchen, 2 car garage, workshop, in-ground pool. 3244 Lee Road 240 (Old Auburn Rd). Call 480-9142

NEWLY Remodeled 3BR 2BA home w/hardwood floors. North Phenix City. $50,000. Call 297-6532 or 291-9219.

NEW 4BR 2BA brick home near Ladonia grammar school. $65,000. Call 291-9219 or 297-6532

HOMES FOR SALE GA 616

BY OWNER, Reese Rd., near school, 3BR, 2BA, LR, DR, den, lots of storage, work shop. $75,000. 561-2913

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Columbus, GA 31994

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Please leave A Blank Space Between All Words And Prices. Please include your phone number.

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THE BENNING LEADER "FREE FIFTY" COUPON

HOMES FOR SALE GA 616

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79,000 4-3 649 mo
2526 RICE ST
42,000 3-2 349 mo
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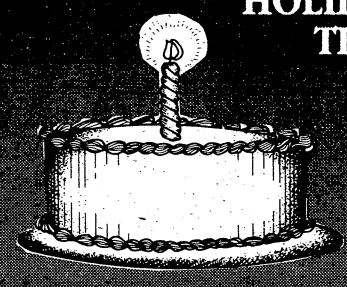

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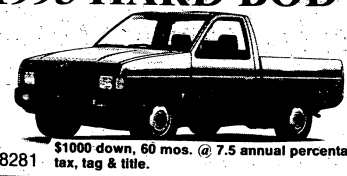
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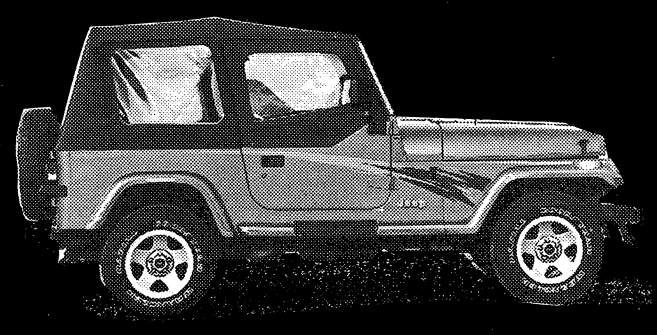

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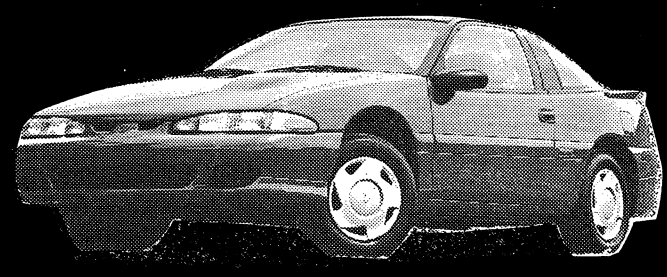

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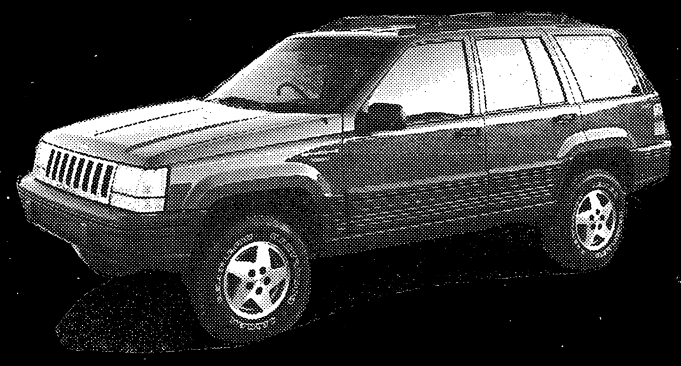

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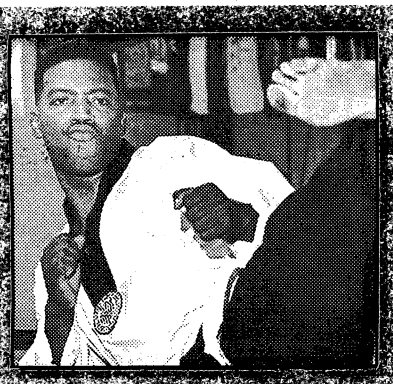

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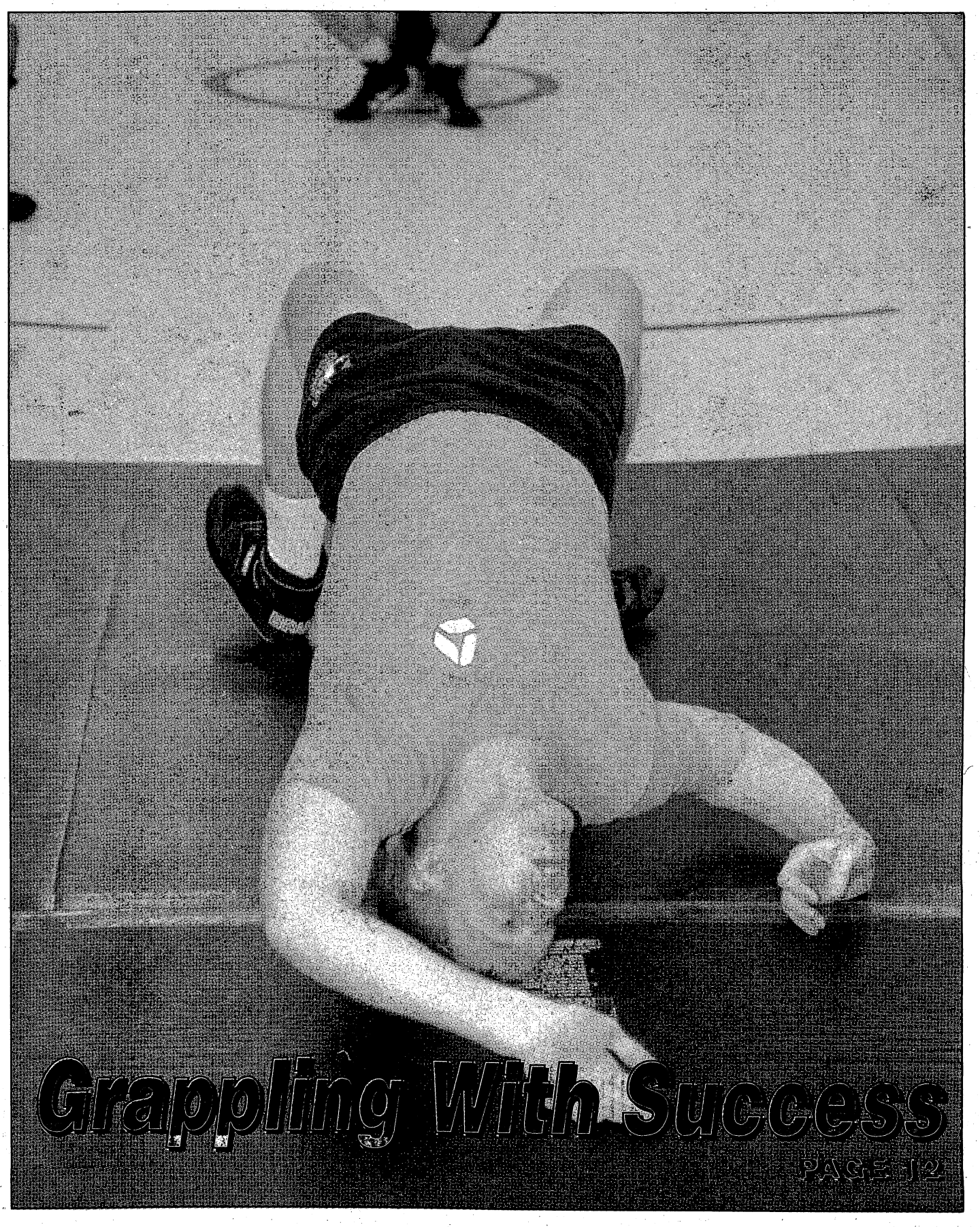

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Series of summits shaped allied strategy

As I mentioned in a previous piece, President Roosevelt and Prime Minister Churchill met with their military advisers at various locations during the war years to establish the bases of coalition strategy and, if necessary, concert measures to meet an immediate military crisis. The ARCADIA conference was the first such major conference. (The Soviets took part in only a few of the conferences, and these were the ones held during the later stages.)

Al Garland

The TORCH decision opened a great debate on European strategy between the Americans and the British that lasted until the summer of 1944. The issues were disputed in and out of the big mid-war conferences from Casablanca (SYMBOL) in January 1943 to Second Quebec (OCTAGON) in September 1944. (It is important to note that at these conferences the U.S. Joint Chiefs of Staff (JCS), who early on were given responsibility for the war in the Pacific, submitted their decisions on plans and operations against Japan and normally received a stamp of approval from the combined chiefs as routine matters.)

During that great debate, Churchill eloquently argued for additional operations in the Mediterranean, particularly in Sicily and on the Italian mainland. To a considerable extent, Roosevelt seconded the moves, despite the reluctance of his military advisers to divert more and more resources to those areas.

At the same time, the U.S. JCS — with General George Marshall as the foremost military spokesman — gradually made progress toward limiting the Mediterranean advance and going back to the idea of a major cross-channel operation. Part of their task was to secure the President's agreement, part the British, and eventually the Soviets.

Each of the conferences marked a milestone in the development of coalition strategy and here, in much shortened form, are the major decisions that were made of each:

■ Casablanca, January 1943 (SYMBOL): Roosevelt and Churchill (Stalin said he was too busy to attend) agreed that an attack on Sicily, rather than on France, would follow TORCH. In a surprise announcement, Roosevelt set forth the doctrine of unconditional surrender, which Churchill promptly endorsed.

■ Washington, May 1943 (TRIDENT): Sometimes referred to as the Third Washington Conference. Roosevelt and Churchill agreed to follow the expected Allied success on Sicily with operations on the Italian mainland, and then to prepare to invade northwest France in May 1944. Certain Pacific problems, centered mainly around the allocation of resources and British operations in Burma, were also discussed.

■ Quebec, August 1943 (QUADRANT): Often referred to as the First Quebec Conference. There was much discussion, inconclusive, about the cross-Channel attack in 1944. The participants agreed to a supporting landing in southern France to complement the cross-Channel assault. Roosevelt agreed to Churchill's proposal for the appointment of a supreme Allied commander in Southeast Asia (Lord Mountbatten appointed) while the British agreed to the designation of a U.S. officer (Eisenhower) to command the main invasion of Europe (now called OVERLORD).

■ Cairo, November 1943 (SEXTANT): Roosevelt, Churchill, and Chiang Kai-shek agreed on China's future.

■ Teheran, November-December 1943 (EUREKA): Roosevelt, Churchill, and Stalin agreed on the final date for OVERLOAD.

■ Quebec, September 1944 (OCTAGON): Often called the Second Quebec Conference. Roosevelt and Churchill agreed on plans to end the war in Europe and on the future strategy to be followed in the Pacific.

There were two other major Allied conferences, but they were mainly political in nature and I'll say more about them later. They were the ones held at Yalta (ARGONAUT) in February 1945, and at Potsdam (TERMINAL) in July-August 1945.

Between the major conferences, lesser conferences were held. Usually these resulted form meetings with Allied and Soviet representatives in Moscow to keep the latter informed of Allied plans and operations.

As it turned out, the final strategy against Germany amounted to a compromise of U.S. and British views — of British peripheral strategy and the U.S. principle of concentration. From the standpoint of the U.S. high command, the main story of military strategy in World War II, except for the still unanswered question of how to defeat Japan, came to an end in the summer of 1944. The last stage, culminating in the surrender of Germany and of Japan, was the period of the payoff, of the unfolding of strategy in the field by the commanders on the ground. In this final phase, the problems of winning the war began to run up against the problems of winning the peace.

Al Garland is former editor of Infantry magazine.

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Here, according to research by the Military History Division at Fort Benning, were the top news items of the week 50 years ago:

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In Adana, Turkey, British Prime Minister Winston Churchill met with Turkish President Ismet Inonu to discuss the Allied aid available to Turkey in the event of an invasion by German forces. Churchill offered to fortify the country's external security by supplying both troops and equipment. Despite this and many other overtures from Allied Axis powers alike, Inonu's fear of Nazi occupation followed by Soviet "liberation" motivated him to maintain a policy of strict neutrality to the war's end.

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On the Eastern Front, the Soviets completed their annihilation of the beleaguered German Army at Stalingrad, killing a total of 146,700 German soldiers and capturing more than 45,000 more, including 17 generals, in the last two days of fighting alone.

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In Berlin, the Nazis celebrated the 10th anniversary of Adolf Hitler's rise to power. As part of the event, Joseph Goebbels addressed the German people and Herman Goring spoke to the armed forces.

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In the India-Burma region, Britain's Royal Air Force continued to conduct heavy bomber raids daily on Axis positions.

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Fort Benning's Parachute School graduated a stepfather and son team, awarding wings to Pvts. Delphis "Bud" Bearor and John Campbell. Bearor had made several previous jumps as part of a barnstorming act which had toured the country in the 1930s.

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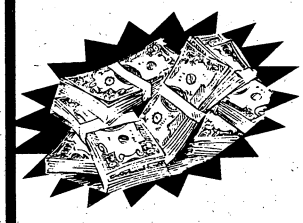

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DEFENSE

Cuts are likely at local Pratt & Whitney plant

By Jim Poole
Business Editor

Pratt & Whitney's Columbus plant will likely not be spared in an effort by the company to cut 10,500 jobs by the end of 1994, a local company official said.

The cuts come after Pratt & Whitney's parent company, Connecticut-based United Technologies Corp., on Tuesday reported a $333 million fourth-quarter loss.

"Basically we feel ... that in all likelihood we're going to have to make an adjustment in February," said Don Colby, manager of administration and external relations at the Columbus Pratt & Whitney plant, "although the plans have not been firmed up at this time."

The local plant, which employs 982, will likely suffer because Pratt & Whitney plans to reduce its overall staffing from 40,664 workers at the end of 1992 to no more than 30,000 by the end of 1994. Of the more than 10,000 jobs being cut, 6,700 would be in Connecticut and 1,500 in Florida, said the jet engine-maker's president, Karl J. Krapek.

"For the most part our production schedule has remained in pretty good shape. We certainly hope we won't have anything as severe as what's going to happen in Connecticut or Florida," Colby said.

The local plant, which employs 982, will likely suffer because Pratt & Whitney plans to reduce its overall staffing from 40,664 workers at the end of 1992 to no more than 30,000 by the end of 1994.

So far, the local plant has avoided major layoffs as the company has gone through restructuring efforts. In September, Pratt & Whitney in Columbus eliminated six salaried jobs.

Pratt & Whitney's Columbus plant makes compressor blades and disks for commercial and military jet engines.

Krapek said in a letter to Pratt & Whitney employees that the division lost about $500 million in 1992 and would have to speed up its previously announced restructuring.

"This action is being taken in response to the deepening recession in the aviation industry and strong competitive pressures," Krapek said in the letter. "Our goal is to make ourselves recession-proof."

The fourth-quarter loss posted by United Technologies translates to a per-share loss of $2.77 and was down from a loss of $1.25 billion, or $10.33 per share, during the fourth quarter of 1991.

For the year, United Technologies reported a net loss of $287 million, or $2.67 per share, an improvement over the loss of $1.02 billion, or $10.33 per share, reported in 1991 when the company took restructuring and environmental charges of $1.53 billion.

The company blamed the fourth-quarter loss in large part on the continued slump of its power systems segment — which includes Pratt & Whitney.

Robert F. Daniell, United Technologies' chairman and chief executive officer, said there was still "unprecedented turmoil and financial losses in the commercial airline industry" but Pratt's efforts to become more competitive make him confident that the company will do well in the future.

Besides the layoffs at Pratt & Whitney, United Technologies said its Hamilton Standard subsidiary will cut 700 jobs over the next two years. Hamilton Standard, which makes space suits and other aerospace equipment, has cut 4,000 jobs since 1990.

Daniell said that United Technologies eliminated 10,926 jobs in all of its divisions since announcing the restructuring last January.

A union spokesman criticized the company's decision, saying the job cuts were too drastic.

"I think what Pratt should be doing is concentrating on retraining people, on trying to regain more of the marketplace," said Andrew Romegialli, representative of International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers Local 91, which represents 10,600 Pratt & Whitney blue-collar workers.

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Burba retiring after 34-year career

By Clint Claybrook
Staff Writer

Gen. Edwin Burba, a former Fort Benning commander who later earned a fourth star and was responsible for the deployment of thousands of soldiers in Desert Shield/Desert Storm, is retiring.

Burba, currently the head of Forces Command at Fort McPherson, Ga., announced his retirement later this year on Jan. 15, subject to the approval of the U.S. Senate.

BURBA

His retirement will mark the end of a 34-year Army career that carried him to the four corners of the Earth. During his 3½-year tour at Forces Command, the general oversaw the Desert Shield/Storm deployment; the invasion of Panama (Operation Just Cause); the cleanup after Hurricane Andrew in south Florida; Joint Task Force Los Angeles during the riots in that city; and the shipment of troops to Somalia as part of Operation Restore Hope.

Burba, 56, will leave the Army as head of the Defense Department's largest command. It includes all of the Army's active duty, and Reserve forces in the continental U.S., and oversees National Guard combat readiness.

He is a McAlester Okla., native and a 1959 graduate of West Point.

His retirement will cause several other changes of command, the Army said:

■ Gen. Dennis J. Reimer, another Oklahoma native, is scheduled for a fourth star and will take over Forces Command. He is currently the Army's vice chief of staff.

■ Lt. Gen. J.H. Binford Peay III, is scheduled for a fourth star and assignment as the Army's vice chief of staff in Washington, D.C.

■ Maj. Gen. John H. Tilelli Jr., is scheduled for promotion to lieutenant general and assignment as the Army's deputy chief of staff for operations and plans in Washington.

Burba served a variety of roles at Fort Benning, including assistant commandant and later commandant of the Infantry School and the Fort Benning commander from 1983 to 1987.

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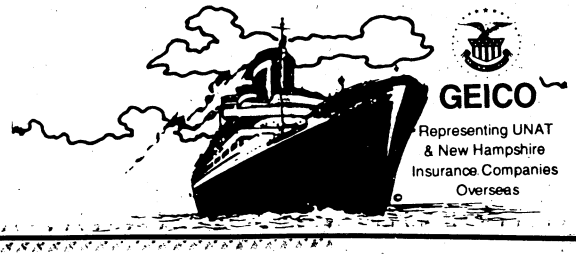

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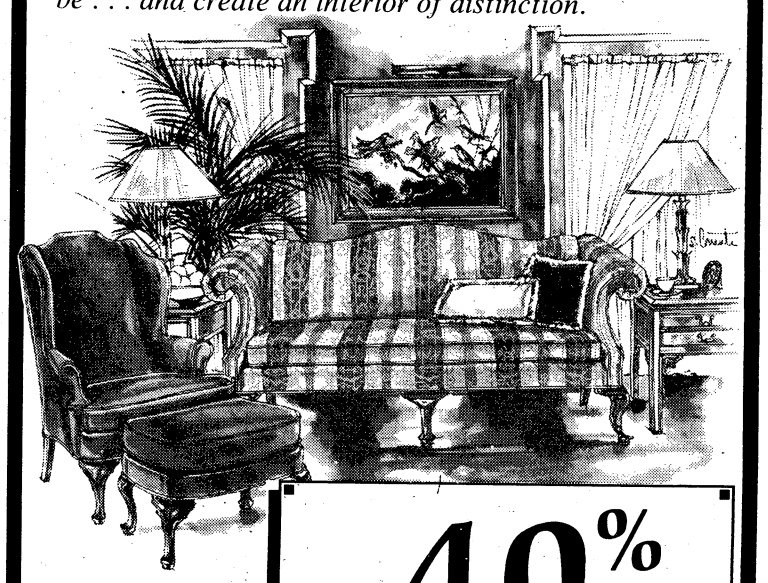

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DEFENSE

More bases waiting for budget ax to fall

From wire reports

WASHINGTON — The clock is ticking on hundreds of U.S. military bases that escaped the last round of closures but could fall victim this year as President Clinton looks for deep cuts in defense spending.

The president has promised $60 billion in reductions from former President Bush's five-year defense budget, and shutting down military bases is a certain source of savings.

The last round of closures in 1991 shut down 34 bases and realigned 48 more, with a projected savings of $2.3 billion by fiscal 1997.

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"We're prepared to do anything to make sure there is a responsible round of base closures," said James Courter, the chairman of the Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission which oversaw the previous cuts.

The process calls for Defense Secretary Les Aspin to submit a recommended list of closures to the commission by March 15, a month earlier than the last time. The list is compiled by the military services.

By June 1, the eight-member, independent commission must decide whether to add or delete any bases to the list. The deadline for the panel's report is July 1; Clinton's final all-or-nothing say is due by July 15.

With little fanfare, the first deadline in the process came Monday when Clinton was to decide whether to keep the eight members of the commission or make any changes.

Before he left office, Bush reappointed three members — Courter, Arthur Levitt Jr. of New York, chairman of the board of the Levitt Media Co., and Robert Stuart Jr. of Illinois, the president of Conway Farms.

He also nominated Peter Bowman, former commander of the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard in New Hampshire; Beverly Byron, former Maryland Democratic congresswoman; Rebecca Gernhardt Cox, vice president for governmental affairs for Continental Airlines; Hansford Johnson, former commander of the U.S. transportation command; and Harry McPherson Jr., a former Army deputy undersecretary.

Although Bush viewed the appointments as recess nominations that would not require Senate confirmation, Sen. Sam Nunn, D-Ga., chairman of the Armed Services Committee, said Senate approval is necessary.

It remains to be seen whether Clinton will keep Courter, a Republican, in the top post.

The former New Jersey congressman won praise from Nunn and Aspin at the defense secretary's recent confirmation hearing. Courter also would give Clinton some cover on the painful issue of base closings, which always draws the wrath of lawmakers and residents from the affected regions.

In addition, "the element of bipartisanship would be very visible, both in perception and reality," Nunn said.

The new administration has been slow to fill many sub-Cabinet posts and other jobs and may not have enough time to change the commission.

While the countdown begins, speculation over what bases might be on the list is rampant. Much of the talk is based on those facilities that barely survived the last round.

The military has two light infantry divisions, one in Alaska and one based at Fort Drum in northern New York. Although the troops from Fort Drum have played a major role in the relief effort in Somalia, they lack the guardian angel Alaska has — Sen. Ted Stevens, the ranking Republican on the Appropriations defense subcommittee.

The fate of Homestead Air Force Base, severely damaged by Hurricane Andrew last August, is up in the air, as is the Orlando Naval Training Center, also in Florida, which was on the list the last time but later came off.

Still to be decided is the future of a base all too familiar to Courter — Fort Dix in New Jersey.

Base closure deadlines

The deadlines for the base closure process:

March 15 — Defense Secretary Les Aspin submits recommended list of base closures and realignments to commission.

April 15 — General Accounting Office issues report analyzing the Defense Department's list and selection criteria.

July 1 — Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission issues its report to President Clinton.

July 15 — Deadline for Clinton to either approve the commission's report and forward it to Congress or return them to the commission with his reasons for disapproval. If sent to Congress, the House and Senate has 45 legislative days to pass a resolution of disapproval, or the commission's recommendations become law.

Aug. 15 — If Clinton disapproves of the list, the commission must resubmit its recommendations to the president.

Sept. 1 — Final chance for Clinton to approve the commission's revised list and forward it to Congress. If the president once again disapproves, the process is terminated for 1993.

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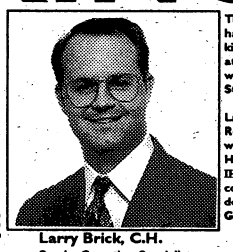

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PROFILE

Givans gets kick out of helping kids

Sergeant uses tae kwon do to teach kids discipline

By Jerry Rutledge
Leader Editor

The streets of Oakland, Calif., were filled with peril during Staff Sgt. Ed Givans' formative years. His neighborhood, Oaktown, had its share of the inner-city strife — the drug pushers, the prostitutes and the gang warfare.

Despite all this, it took an incident between Givans and another sixth-grader to force the future soldier to seek self-defense. He was beaten up by a girl.

She wasn't older or bigger; she was not armed. The young lady just happened to have a gang of reinforcements backing her every move.

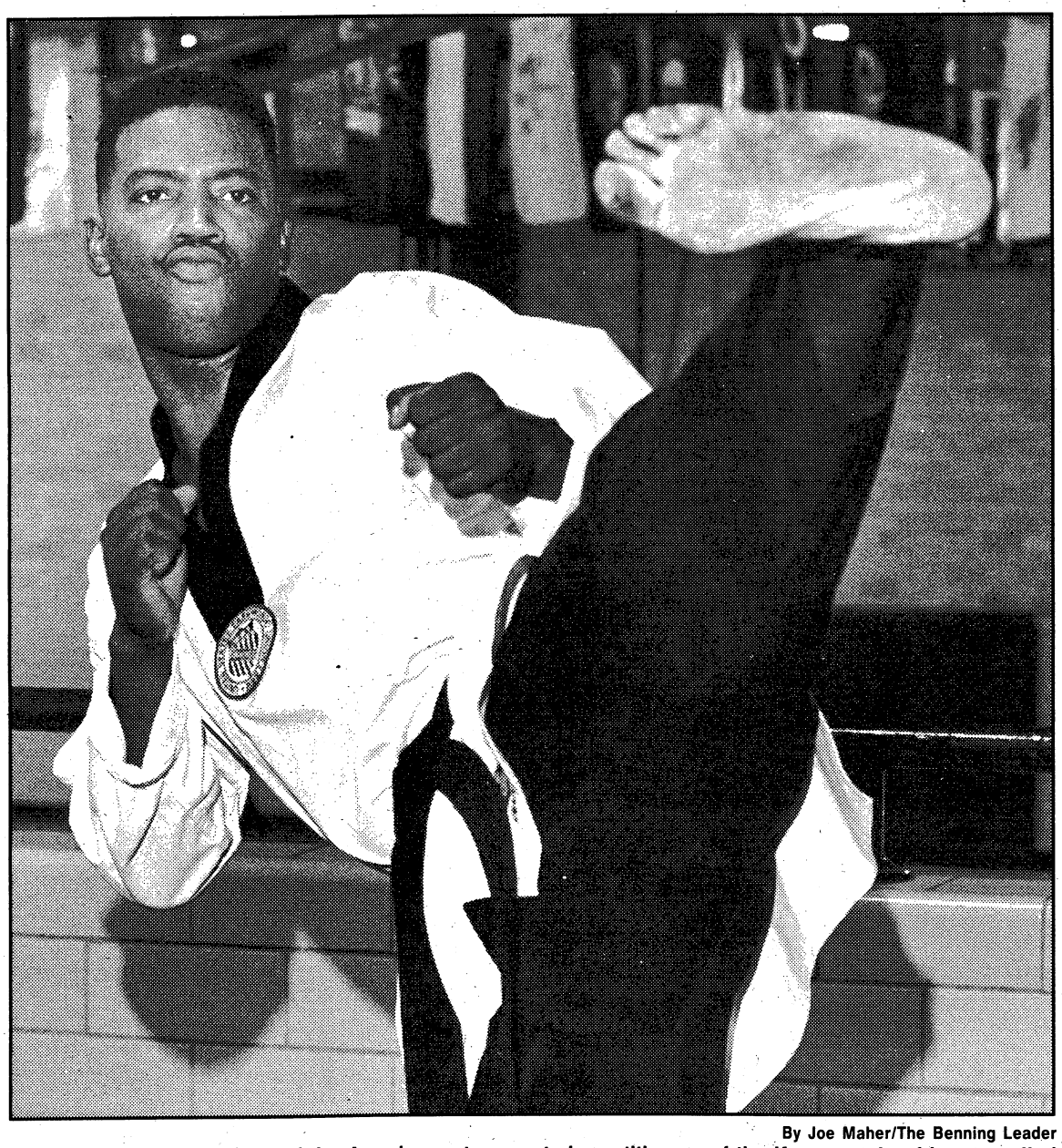
"They surrounded me and told me if I did anything to her, they **all** would jump on me," Givans said. Against those odds, he stood there helplessly and allowed the girl to hit him, all the time vowing to himself never to be placed in such a defenseless position again.

"For me, martial arts have given me a greater sense of discipline," said Givans. "I grew up in a bad neighborhood and I had a temper when I was young. It took martial arts to give me the confidence in what I could do in life."

"I had an uncle who was into martial arts and when I got home, he figured out something was all wrong," Givans said. "So he took me down to the (martial arts) school." The youngster, a fan of martial arts hero Bruce Lee, leapt into the discipline with both feet. It became a major part of his life.

Now, several years later, Givans is one of the Army's most respected practitioners of the Korean-style of karate called tae kwon do. Coach of Fort Benning's tae kwon do team, an All-Army selectee and — most importantly — a second-degree black belt, he has no worry of ever feeling defenseless again.

Givans practiced other forms of martial arts during his early years, but since switching to tae kwon do, he became more appreciative of the competitiveness of it and the way the discipline can influence life.



By Joe Maher/The Benning Leader

Staff Sgt. Ed Givans is one of the Army's most respected practitioners of the Korean-style of karate called tae kwon do. He is coach of Fort Benning's tae kwon do team, an All-Army selectee and a second-degree black belt.

"As far as tae kwon do goes, it's a different level of competition," he said. "It's more than just a local or state competition, but it is international. Every time you go to camp or to a competition, there is a different level of competitiveness. It isn't something where you may beat the same guy three years straight — there are guys who were red belts but now are black belts, you have younger guys coming in all the time. So it's a different level of competition."

As taken as Givans is with the competitiveness of tae kwon do competition, it is the personality aspects of the discipline which gives him the greatest benefit.

"For me, martial arts have given me a greater sense of discipline," said Givans. "I grew up in a bad neighborhood and I had a temper when I was young. It took martial arts to give me the confidence in what I could do in life.

"A lot of kids nowadays feel they have to go out and prove what they can do as far as fighting or being in a trouble. Knowing what you can do prevents you from being in trouble."

Givans believes youngsters express their lack of confidence by fighting and displaying aggressive attitudes. "It's peer pressure and the feeling of having to prove themselves to other people," he said. "If you think about it, most of the time growing up arguments became fights because friends pushed you into it by calling you chicken or challenging you in some way. Now if you have confidence, you don't worry about that stuff."

Givans believes martial arts can make a difference with today's youth. To do his part, he has opened up a school for youngsters, teaching them the tae kwon do discipline.

"Our school motto is 'Education first!' and I really believe in that," he said. "We want to mold these kids into having self-pride, respect for others and that education should come before everything. I want them to get what I didn't get, as far as sitting down and telling these kids the importance of education in life.

"Most of my students are peaking up to As due to the fact that they want to attend tae kwon do. I don't teach them just the martial arts, I teach them what life is all about. They respect me and when they go to school they respect the teachers and everybody there."

The classes are free of charge, with students enrolled by parents through newspaper ads and word of mouth. "I don't worry about money because it's not an issue of money," Givans said. "Some kids can't afford it, but they need the discipline."

"I don't teach (kids) just the martial arts, I teach them what life is all about," Givans said. "They respect me and when they go to school they respect the teachers and everybody there."

Though he grew up in Oakland, Givans went to high school in Berkeley, home of the University of California. "After I got into martial arts, I wanted to stay away from the violence," he said. "I didn't want to hurt anybody and Berkeley had a safer, less violent atmosphere." An excellent athlete who attracted major-college attention as a basketball guard-forward, a severe knee injury cut short his basketball career and led indirectly to his Army career.

"Everybody was asking questions, questioning where I was going to college and things like that. I wanted to get away," Givans said. "The Army gave me the opportunity to get away and travel."

A member of the Fort Benning tae kwon do team since his arrival on post two years ago, he's busy trying to build a new post team in time for the next All-Army competition. Last year, five members of the Fort Benning team made All-Army. "Most posts only get two," said Givans. Transfers, changes in job status and departures from the service depleted the unit.

But Givans says there are people out there that can contribute. "We've got some people with great ability," he said.

Staff Sgt. Edward Givans

Age: 28.

Hometown: Oakland, Calif.

Family: Daughter Shannel Stallworth; son Edward D.

Present: Tae kwon do coach at Fort Benning.

Future: College and a career as a coach.

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WORLD

Death of second Marine raises stakes in Somalia

From wire reports

MOGADISHU, Somalia — The death of a second Marine underscored on Tuesday how difficult it will be for the United States to pacify Somalia and rapidly withdraw its combat troops from this lawless land.

Lance Cpl. Anthony D. Botello, 21, of Wilburton, Okla., was the third American to die since U.S. forces came ashore Dec. 9. He was assigned to the 7th Marine Regiment in Twentynine Palms, Calif.

Botello was shot late Monday by a sniper while on a nighttime foot patrol near a stadium on Mogadishu's north side. Troops fired back and saw a man fall, but his body wasn't recovered.

BOTELLO

The stadium houses more than 900 men and women of the Marines' 7th Regimental Combat Team and is in a perilous area where the Marines frequently come under sniper fire. Pfc. Domingo Arroyo was killed nearby last week.

Washington last week informally asked the U.N. Security Council to consider a new resolution that would transfer the U.S.-led military coalition in Somalia to the United Nations.

No action has been taken.

The United States, under former President Bush, obtained a U.N. mandate last November to lead a military coalition to achieve two objectives:

■ To secure Somalia's major ports, airports and towns for the safe delivery of food to the starving and other aid from organized looters, free-lance bandits and renegade clan militias.

■ To establish a "secure environment" for a U.N. peacekeeping force that would move on to a second phase of rehabilitation of the shattered nation and restoration of a civilian government.

The first objective has been largely achieved, but the second is a matter of debate. U.N. Secretary-General Boutros Boutros-Ghali has made it known that he does not think Somalia is safe enough for deployment of a peacekeeping force.

The latest Marine casualty came only hours after U.S. army helicopter gunships and Belgian troops blasted with rocket and cannon fire a clan militia column heading for a rival militia's encampment near the southern port of Kismayu.

They killed eight Somalis, said Farouk Mawlawi, a U.N. spokesman. American officials said seven vehicles and several artillery pieces were destroyed, with no allied casualties reported.

The allies were enforcing a cease-fire in an increasingly unstable area. Aid agencies have been pulling foreign workers out of Kismayu because of heightened violence, including 10 grenade attacks in the past three days that wounded six Belgian soldiers.

Gen. Mohamed Farrah Aidid, one of Somalia's dominant warlords, claimed the attack on his rival, Gen. Mohamed Said Hirsi, was made at his request, a contention vigorously denied by U.S. special envoy Robert Oakley, the American military and the United Nations.

They all said the coalition military action was taken independently in support of the cease-fire agreement signed by 14 warring Somali factions in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, on Jan. 15.

Oakley told reporters in Kismayu that Hirsi's forces were violating the pact.

"Therefore, I don't think it's taking sides anymore than we've taken sides elsewhere," Oakley said. "People have accused us of this from time to time, and they look at the long run and they see that we're not taking sides."

Hirsi, known as Gen. Morgan, is a son-in-law of ousted dictator Mohamed Siad Barre. U.S. spokesmen said his forces retreated south of Kismayu and were no longer an immediate threat.

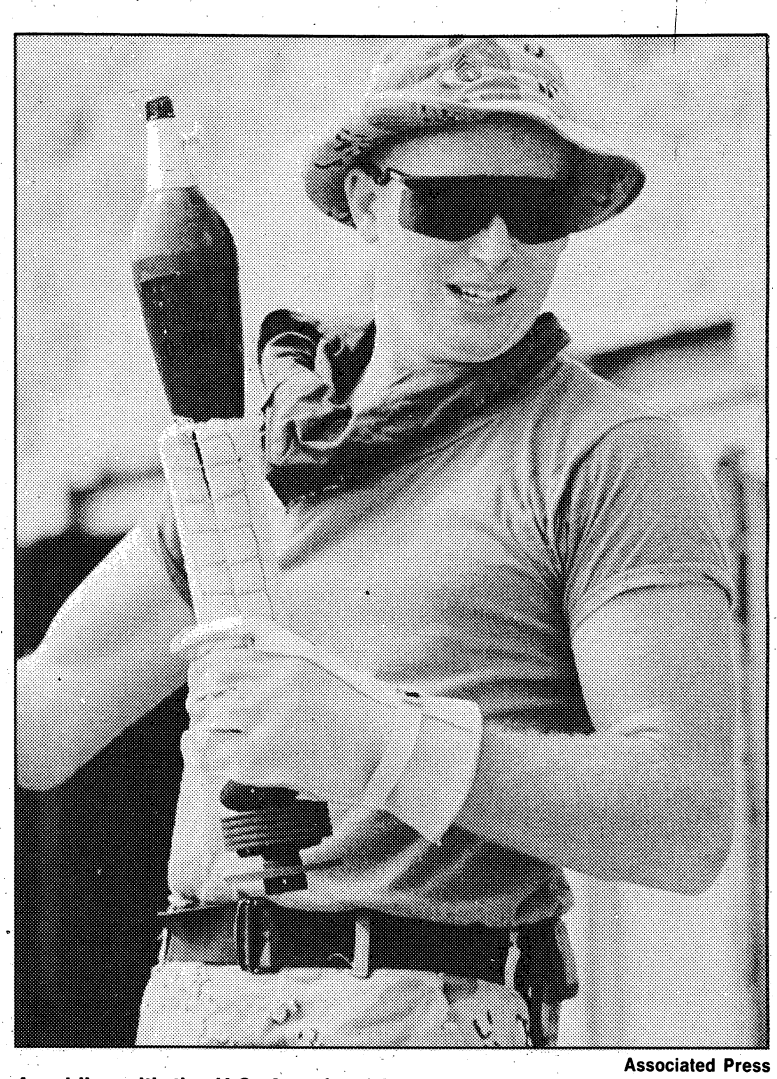
Army Lt. Col. Steve Ritter, a coalition spokesman, told reporters Tuesday evening that the United States and its allies were never meant to police Somalia.

But Marine Col. Chip Gregson, deputy director of operations for the U.S.-led task force, suggested earlier the coalition's mission had subtly shifted beyond merely creating a secure environment.

"As the original largest threat, the large-scale factional fighting, has been diminished, then the threat shifts to other things and we're trying to develop the appropriate tactics to counter it," Gregson said.

"It starts to look an awful lot like more traditional police work," he said.

The first American to die in the U.S. mission to Somalia was a civilian Army employee, killed Dec. 23 when his vehicle struck a mine.



Associated Press

A soldier with the U.S. Army's 10th Mountain Division hoists a Soviet-made mortar shell as American troops excavated an immense cache of Somali weaponry Monday in Merca. Army demolition teams were to destroy the captured ordnance.

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IN BRIEF

General having prayer breakfast Feb. 11

The commanding general's annual National Prayer Breakfast will be held Thursday, Feb. 11, at 6:30 a.m. at the Main NCO Club ballroom.

Everyone is welcome. For tickets, contact the USAIC Chaplains' Office at 545-2288.

CONFIRMATION CLASSES: A new series of confirmation classes will begin Feb. 2 and continue each Tuesday through April 6 at the Religious Education Center, building 2518.

The classes, which will be held from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m., will be taught by Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Roger Kappel. For registration and information, call 545-2288.

FREE RETREAT: The Chaplain Family Life Center offers a free retreat relating to cross cultural marriage to Asian families today and Saturday.

A special guest-speaker, Dan Moon of Riverside, Calif., will be featured. Born in Seoul, Korea, he is researching cultural trends, needs and strategies related to Asians in America at the Pacific Rim Asian American Institute of Missiology at California Baptist College.

The retreat will be held at the Infantry Center Chapel Annex, Building 101. For registration and more information, contact Chaplain (Maj.) James Rayburn at 545-1760 or 545-5301.

ABUSE SUPPORT GROUP: An adult survivors of sexual abuse support group will begin meeting Feb. 5 from noon until 1:30 p.m. and run every Wednesday through April 14 at the Chaplains Family Life Center, Soldier's Plaza, building 2606.

For more information, contact Chaplain (Maj.) James Rayburn at 545-1760.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S COUNCIL: The Military Council of Catholic Women invites all women to increase their knowledge of the faith, join together for prayer and the celebration of Mass, participate in opportunities of service and form friendships.

The MCCW meets every Wednesday from 9:30 a.m. until noon at the Infantry Center Annex and every first Friday of the month at 9:30 a.m. until at the Main Post Catholic Church. Baby-sitting is available at no charge.

For more information, contact Teresa Zepeda at 682-3918 or Jackie Place at 689-6496.

OFFICERS FELLOWSHIP: Officers Christian Fellowship offers all officers assigned to or visiting Fort Benning the opportunity for fellowship with other officers in pursuit of the message of Jesus Christ.

For more information, call Lt. Col. Richard Seim at 545-2745 (work) or 685-9475 (home).

MEMORIAL SERVICE: A memorial service honoring the 50th anniversary of the sinking of the Dorchester will be held 10 a.m. Feb. 3 at the Infantry Center Chapel, Building 101.

For information, call Chaplain (Capt.) Gilley Richardson at 545-1314.

"LIFE GIVING LOVE": The Military Council of Catholic Women are presenting a series of talks by Scott and Kimberly Hahn and Dr. Thomas Zepeda. The series is titled "Life Giving Love," a series discovering the meaning of Christian sex and marriage. The topics for each week are:

Feb. 3 — Natural Law and Birth Control.

Feb. 10 — The Bible and Birth Control.

Feb. 17 — Dr. Thomas Zepeda will speak about birth control from a physician's perspective.

The series will be held from 9:30 a.m. until noon at the Infantry Center Annex. Child care is free of charge. For more information, call Teresa Zepeda at 682-3918 or Jackie Place at 689-6496.

"BIBLE BOOT CAMP": PARTY, the youth group for children 4-years-old through sixth-grade is now called "Bible Boot Camp." It will give children a "Basic Course in God's Army," teaching them who their "Commander in Chief" is, how to study their "Training Manual," what to wear for battle and the weapons to use in "Spiritual Warfare."

Children can be enrolled now for games, crafts, videos and snacks. They will meet from 1-3:15 p.m. at the Religious Education Center, building 2522 on Thorston Road behind Quartermaster Laundry. Future meeting dates are: Feb. 13, 27, March 13, 27, April 10, 24, May 8 and 22.

For registration or more information, call Margaret Alberici at 689-1164.

New Mass schedule

The following is the new schedule for the Fort Benning Catholic Mass effective Jan. 30:

WEEKDAY MASS
Noon, Monday through Friday, Main Post Catholic Chapel.

SATURDAY MASS
5 p.m., Main Post Catholic Chapel.

SUNDAY MASS
8:15 a.m. — Main Post Catholic Chapel.
8:30 a.m. — Martin Army Community Hospital, building 9200.
8:30 a.m. — Regimental Chapel, Sand Hill, building 9200.
9:30 a.m. — Spanish Mass, Main Post Catholic Chapel.
10 a.m. — Theatre No. 3, Sand Hill.
10:30 a.m. — 11th Infantry Regimental Chapel, building 2766.
11:30 a.m. — Main Post Catholic Chapel.

People sending faxes to God

From wire reports

JERUSALEM -- People who want to plant notes to God in the Wailing Wall can now do it by fax.

Every day hundreds of notes seeking divine intervention are stuffed into cracks in Jerusalem's Wailing Wall, Judaism's holiest shrine.

Faxes sent to a number the national telephone company has set up will be brought to the wall by an employee, company spokesman Zecharia Mizrotzky said last week.

The fax number is 011-972-2-612222. It is not toll-free.

Gospel gathering moves to Atlanta

From wire reports

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — A semi-annual gospel music convention and show sponsored by singer Bobby Jones is moving from Nashville to Atlanta this year.

The Gospel Explosion will be held Feb. 9-13 at the Atlanta Civic Center with more than 24,000 people expected to attend.

The convention and show had been held for three years in Nashville.

Gregory S. Cooper, a spokesman for Jones, said Monday that the Atlanta facility has about twice the seating capacity as Nashville's Tennessee Performing Arts Center.

He also said overhead would be less in Atlanta.

Jones tapes his cable show, "Bobby Jones Gospel" on the Black Entertainment Television network during the convention.

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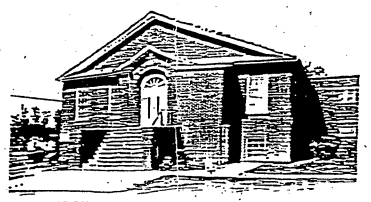

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ISSUES

Clinton committed to lifting gay ban

By Robert S. Boyd and David Hess
Knight-Ridder Newspapers

WASHINGTON — President Clinton has agreed to delay for six months an executive order that would carry out his pledge to end discrimination against homosexuals in the military.

But a number of critical details remain to be negotiated with congressional leaders before a deal can be concluded to head off a crisis that seemed likely to humiliate the new president.

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White House Press Secretary Dee Dee Myers denied that the president had caved in to congressional or military pressure. "There is no change in the president's intent," she said Wednesday night. Myers said Clinton remains committed to ending the ban on gays in the military and is comfortable with the six-month delay.

Defense Secretary Les Aspin announced Clinton's decision after a two-hour evening meeting with the president, the vice president and Democratic members of the Senate Armed Services Committee.

There was agreement at the meeting that for the next six months military recruits will not be asked about their sexual orientation, Aspin said.

The current policy of automatically excluding gays from active duty may also be suspended, he added. Aspin noted that no final agreement was reached on that and other points.

"It's not simply the right of homosexuals at stake. It's also the right of all those men and women who serve in the military," Nunn said.

Sen. Sam Nunn, D-Ga., chairman of the Armed Services Committee and a pivotal figure in the controversy, said the most difficult sticking point was what to do about gays on active duty over the next six months.

During this period, congressional hearings will be held and Pentagon leaders will be consulted on ways to make this profound change in military life acceptable to service men and women and to the American people, Aspin said.

In a Senate speech earlier Wednesday, Nunn said he has grave doubts about the proposed change, but he acknowledged that "the country is changing; the world is changing; we all have to be willing to listen to other views."

He urged that Congress not take legislative action and that Clinton not take any "final" executive action before the six months are up.

Coming on the heels of the Zoe Baird affair, when public outrage forced Clinton to abandon his first choice for attorney general, the storm over gays threatens to divert the new administration from its principal goals, hurt Democrats in Congress, anger the military, and alienate millions of voters.

Angry callers, triple their normal number, lit up telephone switchboards at the White House and on Capitol Hill on Wednesday, mostly in violent opposition to Clinton's plan.

Associated Press

Sen. George Mitchell, left, Sen. Bob Dole, center, and Rep. Thomas Foley meet with reporters outside the White House Tuesday after meeting with President Clinton. Mitchell told reporters that the president's plan to overturn the ban on gays in the military can be worked out without a showdown with Congress.

In his Senate speech Nunn held out hope that a three-way collision among the president, Congress and the military can be avoided.

"It is in everyone's interest to see if we can resolve this issue through consensus rather than confrontation," said Nunn. "There's always time for confrontation later if it cannot be solved by consensus, but perhaps it can."

Clinton and his allies hope the six-month delay before issuing the executive order will cool passions and give time to work out a compromise that the public, the military and the lawmakers can accept.

White House officials said they favor a "strict code of conduct" barring homosexual activity that might disrupt military discipline and effectiveness.

Clinton finds his back against the wall

By Gary Blonston
Knight-Ridder Newspapers

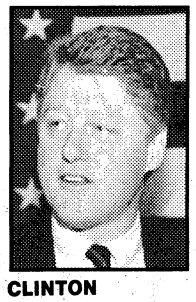
WASHINGTON — Thirteen years after Arkansas's young governor ignored public opinion, proposed an array of bold new programs and ultimately lost his job, Bill Clinton again is showing some familiar habits.

This older, wiser, master politician who was going to bring the Democratic Party back to the mainstream suddenly finds himself out on the political edge — opposed by millions of Americans and much of Congress as he tries to open the military to homosexual men and women.

Why he wound up in such a fix seems to be a complicated matter of principle, politics, shaky assumptions and bad advice.

Even people who think kindly of Clinton shake their heads at the way the White House has handled the gays-versus-the-Pentagon situation and no one can yet say how much he has lost in public standing, party loyalty and congressional trust.

"It's not what I would have suggested he do, to expend his political capital this early on this issue," says George Edwards, who runs the Center for the Study of the Presidency at Texas A&M University in College Station.



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"This is clearly a second-level issue, especially compared to the economy. ... Right now his support from the public is tentative and fragile. You want to focus your political capital ... on issues that will make your coalition cohere."

Instead, Clinton's nascent coalition has split for the moment between supporters and opponents of gays in uniform for reasons that, in the words of veteran liberal activist Ann Lewis, "have more to do with Freud than politics."

She is a Clinton supporter who saw his defeat in Arkansas and the hard learning process that finally led to his re-election. Today, she says, "he really has been shaped by that first term. He is a guy who does understand fully two facts:

"One, that you can bring about change .... if you take your politics seriously, and two, that you don't get too far out in front of the public."

On this one issue, she acknowledges that he might have stepped out too far, but she also argues, "What Bill Clinton has demonstrated so far is that he means what he says."

Why that stance has left him in such an awkward place is the question that lingers. Political scientist Stephen Hess of the Brookings Institution, a Washington policy research center, offers an answer:

"Every president wants to hit the ground running. ... It was clear the major programs he wanted to send up (to Congress) weren't ready, and presidential aides usually say: 'Don't just stand there. Do something.' "

Whether by prompting or personal intention, he did something, first signing executive orders eliminating abortion restrictions set down during the Reagan-Bush years. Because many Americans vigorously supported that change, "that worked pretty well," says Hess.

"Then came gays in the military" — which Clinton also planned to permit by executive order — "and that didn't work very well at all."

There was no public consensus and a limited constituency for what he intended, and so the military complained, the public complained, and, once the phones began ringing, so did Congress.

"I don't believe that he set out to have his way against the military, against the Congress, that he was going to show them," says Hess. "That's not his style.

"He just got caught off-guard. They didn't do their homework."

Lawrence Longley, a political scientist at Lawrence University in Appleton, Wis., says that puts Clinton in a special dilemma.

"The last thing the Clinton administration wants to do is dig in its heels and make a fight for its political manhood on a peripheral issue," he says. "The danger is if you cut and run too many times, you look like a wimp. ...

"What Clinton has to do is find a way to get back on his priorities — health care and the economy."

Gay activists have no regrets over battle

From wire reports

WASHINGTON — Gay activists are undaunted by the beating President Clinton is taking on their behalf. The cause is just and the storm will pass, they said Wednesday.

"Can you think of any issue that's more important than the freedom of 10 million people?" asked David Mixner, a Los Angeles consultant and civil rights veteran who has known Clinton for 24 years. "We have nothing closer to an apartheid law than this military ban."

Key Democrats, Republican rivals and the Joint Chiefs of Staff are among the groups that have come down on Clinton since it became clear he was serious about lifting the ban on homosexuals in the military.

The public, once solidly supportive, now appears to be split. And as Clinton prepared to announce how he'd phase out the ban, Senate opponents were planning to yoke a popular family leave bill to an amendment putting the military exclusion in law.

Despite the uproar, gay activists say they've no regrets about pressing the battle.

"It's very important for America to move toward ending prejudice. You never make any progress if you don't try," said Rep. Barney Frank, a gay lawmaker from Massachusetts.

"The gay and lesbian community certainly is not responsible for the controversy," added Robin Kane, spokeswoman for the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force. "There's no regret that we are attempting to end discrimination. There's no regret in fighting for civil rights."

The backlash, most gay activists concede, has been worse than expected. Some blame senators for trying to obstruct the new president. Others cite the unusual involvement of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, particularly chairman Colin Powell.

"The gay and lesbian community certainly is not responsible for the controversy," said Robin Kane, spokeswoman for the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force. "There's no regret that we are attempting to end discrimination. There's no regret in fighting for civil rights."

"We didn't anticipate how effective Colin Powell's outspoken opposition would be. He has given legitimacy to some of the arguments that the religious right has been using. We're very disappointed at that," said Gregory King, spokesman for the 75,000-member Human Rights Campaign Fund.

While the military paints Clinton's impending move as a morale blow that could erode the nation's ability to defend itself, the gay community compares its cause to earlier movements on behalf of blacks and women.

"What we're really seeing is the last major chapter in the 200-year-old story of civil rights ... the last major unfinished business in that struggle," said Rep. Gerry Studds, D-Mass., another gay congressman.

The president-elect and his advisors "got a real education in the last couple of months" on the inflammatory politics of gay civil rights, said Mixner, the Los Angeles consultant.

King said Clinton's resolve has sent a message not only to gays but to Capitol Hill. "Once it was clear he was standing firm, we began building more support," he said. He predicted a Senate vote at this point would go Clinton's way.

Gay activists contend that Republicans proved with their convention last summer that voters don't like intolerance. And they say Clinton's stand on principle will win him points in the end, even from people who disagree with him.

They also predict the outcry will subside the instant Clinton delivers his economic plan to Capitol Hill. And they point to history, particularly the racial integration of the military and the 1960s civil rights movement, as proof that they'll prevail.

"I've seen the most hostile, ugly reaction in the South to just registering one voter. Twenty years later you go to the same counties and see blacks holding office," said Mixner.

Military insists lifting the ban would hurt combat readiness

From wire reports

WASHINGTON — To the military, it's a matter of combat readiness and morale, a fear of promiscuous behavior. The Pentagon argues that banning gays is no different than rejecting single parents or overweight people.

President Clinton's plan to lift the ban would link it to a strict code of conduct. But opponents say that would be unworkable.

It would require gays to make "the equivalent of a pledge of celibacy," writes Army Maj. Melissa Wells-Petry in "Exclusion: Homosexuals and The Right to Serve."

"Celibacy, however, is widely regarded as an unrealistic standard of behavior, particularly among homosexuals," she writes in the book, scheduled for publication in May.

Sen. Sam Nunn, D-Ga., chairman of the Senate Armed Services Committee and an opponent of lifting the ban, said Wednesday that "it's not simply the right of homosexuals at stake. It's also the right of all those men and women who serve in the military."

An Army lawyer stationed in Mainz, Germany, Wells-Petry wrote the book on her own. An Army spokesman said the work reflected "the views of the author."

However, it clearly states the prevailing Pentagon position.

Gen. Colin Powell, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, has called lifting the ban "one of the most difficult issues the armed forces has faced." Powell has made clear his opposition to President Clinton's views on the subject though saying the military will conform to official policy.

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On the other side, Navy Capt. James Bush, appearing with Woodruff this week on PBS' MacNeil-Lehrer Newshour, supported lifting the ban.

"I never knew of a case where a piece of equipment didn't work because it was operated by a homosexual, or a ship didn't go to sea, where a battle was lost," he said.

Wells-Petry argues than banning gays from military service is a personnel issue no different from bans on single parents, overweight people and those who haven't completed high school.

"Such policies are not anti-anybody," she writes. "They are simply pro-military."

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Play captures drama of 'Scopes Monkey Trial'

From staff reports

One of the defining moments of the 20th century is revisited in Jerome Lawrence and Robert E. Lee's American epic, "Inherit the Wind," opening tonight at the Springer Opera House, 103 10th St.

The sweeping dramatization of the famed "Scopes Monkey Trial" of 1925 shows some of the highlights of a summer in which America "went ape."

In real life, John T. Scopes was a science teacher in Dayton, Tenn., when he was arrested and jailed for breaking the new Tennessee law against teaching Charles Darwin's theory of evolution (or that mankind descended from apes) in the public schools.

What followed was a trial that consumed the attention of the American public and ignited passions all over the world. In fact, the "Monkey Trial" was dubbed "The Battle of the Titans" since it featured none other than Clarence Darrow (the feared trial lawyer who had just saved child murderers Nathan Leopold and Richard Loeb from hanging), and William Jennings Bryan, three-time presidential candidate, famed orator and the self-dubbed "Great Commoner."

The little Tennessee town became the center of the universe for several weeks as journalists, fundamentalist Christians and tourists from all over the world jammed Dayton's train depot, boarding houses and streets, hoping to get a seat in the little courtroom and catch a glimpse of Darrow, Bryan or Scopes.

But no one could have imagined the drama that would unfold at that trial as the attorneys unleashed some of the most celebrated oratory in American history. Education, the U.S. Constitution, religion and science clashed head-on in a debate that still sends chills down the spines of the clergy, scientists and lawyers.

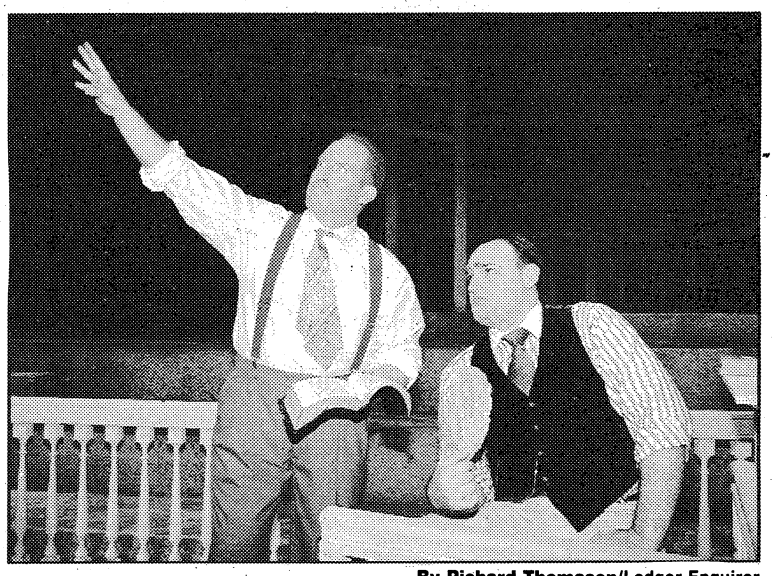
The finale of the trial was even more breathtaking than the proceedings. John Scopes was convicted but was sentenced to pay a fine of only $100, sending shock waves through the anti-evolutionist community and making a worldwide laughing stock of the Tennessee legislature and citizenry. Five days later, while still in Dayton, Bryan died.

His death triggered a national mourning period and an outpouring of grief in every newspaper and radio station in the country, underscoring the impact of his final crusade and defeat in the evolution trial.

The Springer Opera House's production of "Inherit the Wind," directed by managing artistic director Paul R. Pierce, seeks to give the audience an idea of what it was like to live in the little town that blistering summer when the whole world dropped in for a visit.

The cast of more than 40 actors perform on a huge multi-leveled set with the courtroom placed far downstage giving the audience the feeling of being a spectator at the trial. The courthouse lawn and town square are on a broad upper level overlooking the courtroom with the dusty Tennessee landscape fading in the background.

Atlantan John Thigpen is the scenic designer for the play and Dona Pierce designed the 1925-era costumes. William Rich has designed the lighting which moves the play from one locale to another over a six-day period.



By Richard Thomason/Ledger-Enquirer

Bruce Evers, left, and Bruce Chamberlain in a scene from the Springer play, 'Inherit the Wind.'

Pierce thinks "Inherit the Wind" will resonate strongly in Columbus. "The arguments that are made so forcefully in this play have not been settled in the past 68 years," he said. "On the contrary, they are more alive today than ever. We are still trying to decide how we explain our own existence to our children and what part the schools play in that. We still haven't determined how science can reveal knowledge and new discoveries without offending people who interpret the Bible literally. Most importantly, we have not shaken off the anti-intellectual prejudice that so many Americans still maintain. Somehow, scientists are still regarded as atheists in some circles and curiosity is often interpreted as blasphemy."

Before tonight's performance, the Springer is sponsoring a panel discussion at 6 p.m., open to the public.

For more information, call 327-3688.

Springer play

WHAT: "Inherit the Wind," the third show of the 1992-93 season of the Springer Opera House. It's Lawrence and Lee's giant American epic based on the "Scopes monkey trial."

WHERE: The Springer Opera House, Main Stage, 103 10th St.

WHEN: 8 tonight and Saturday; 2 p.m. Sunday; 8 p.m. Feb. 4-6.

TICKETS: $12, $10 for senior adults, $6 for students; group rates available.

INFORMATION: 327-3688.

At the movies

Listings for Jan. 29-Feb. 4

TODAY

Passenger 57 (R) 7 p.m., Sand Hill

A River Runs Through It (PG) 7 p.m., Main Post

Malcolm X (PG-13) 9 p.m., Main Post

SATURDAY

Mr. Saturday Nite (R) 6:30 p.m., Sand Hill

Of Mice & Men (PG-13) 2 p.m., Main Post

Love Potion #9 (PG-13) 7 p.m., Sand Hill

The Distinguished Gentlemen (R) 7 p.m., Main Post

The Bodyguard (R) 9 p.m., Main Post

SUNDAY

Mr. Saturday Nite (R) 2 p.m., Sand Hill

Of Mice & Men (PG-13) 2 p.m., Main Post

Captain Ron (PG-13) 4:30 p.m., Sand Hill

The Bodyguard (R) 7 p.m., Main Post

MONDAY

The Distinguished Gentlemen (R) 7 p.m., Main Post

TUESDAY

Of Mice & Men (PG-13) 7 p.m., Main Post

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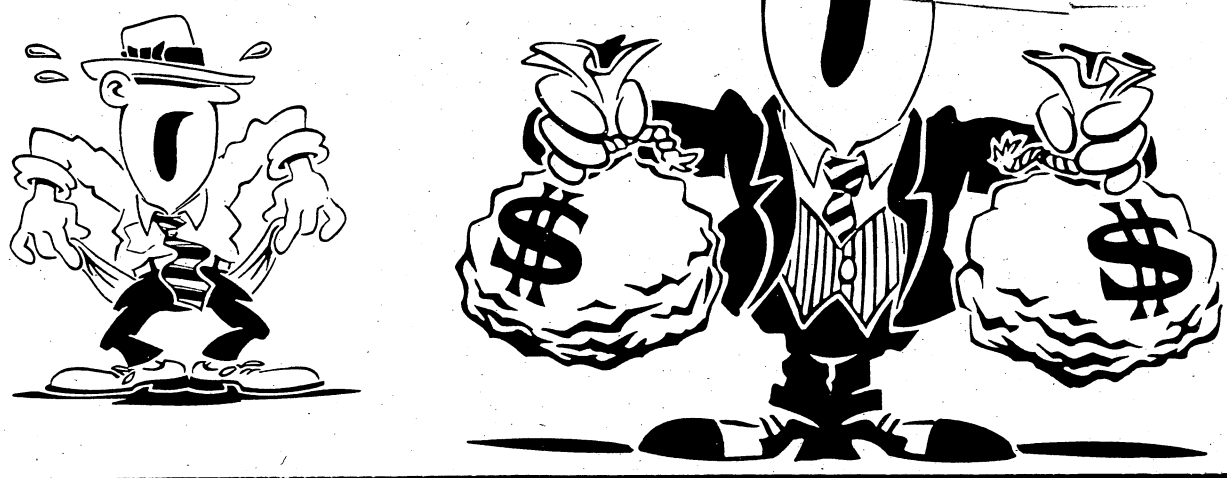

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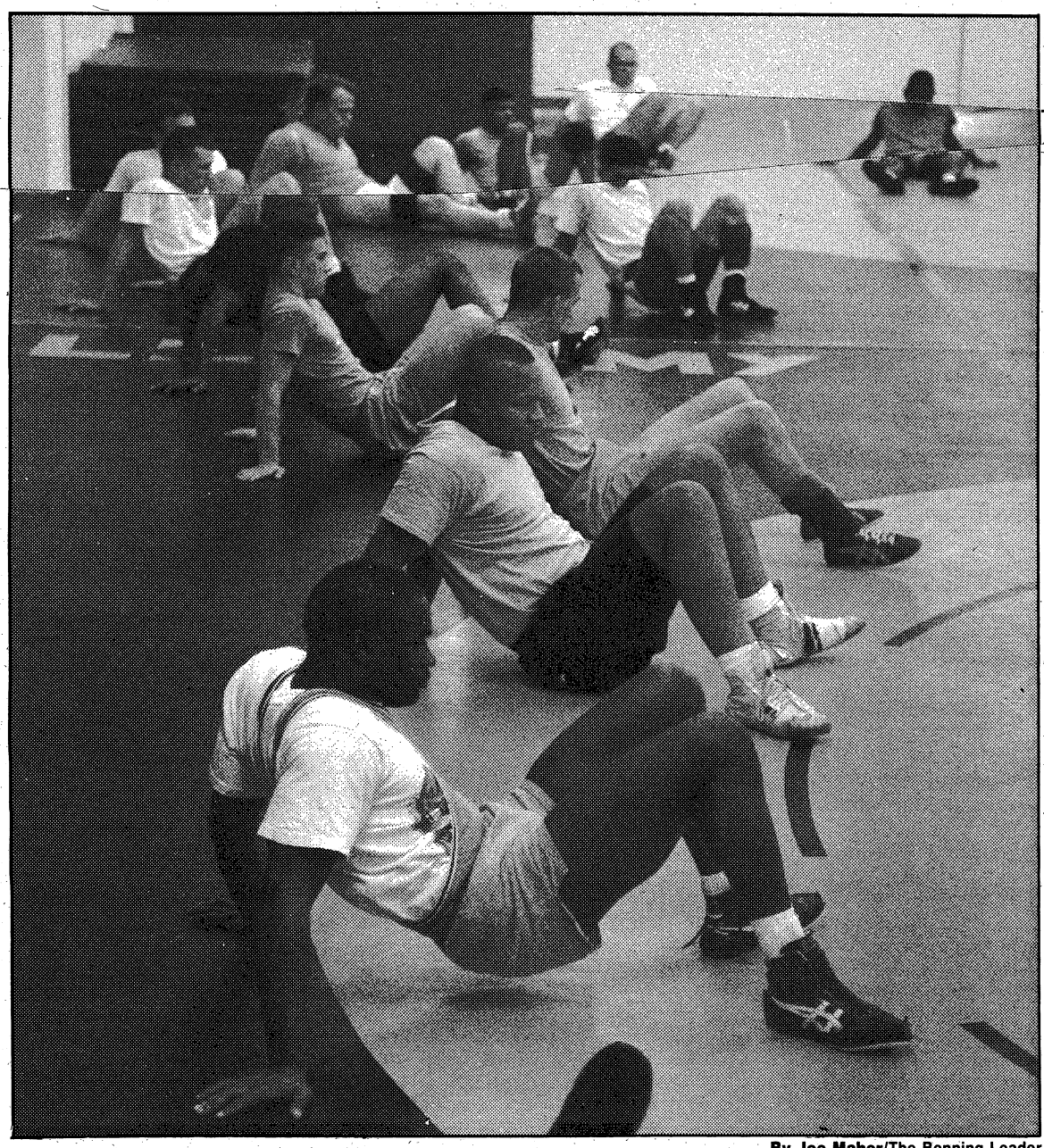

By Joe Maher/The Benning Leader

All-Army wrestlers fine tune their bodies for the All-Army Wrestle-off, scheduled from Feb. 27 through March 1 on post.

Army's best wrestlers getting ready to rumble

By Clint Claybrook
Staff Writer

Sgt. 1st Class Tony Thomas, the Army coach, expects the All-Army events to fill the bleachers of the Santiago Fitness Center at Sand Hill.

The Army's top wrestlers have gathered at Fort Benning, including several members of last year's All-Forces Team. The wrestlers are preparing for the All-Army Wrestle-off, scheduled for Feb. 27 through March 1 on post.

The top four or five wrestlers in each of the 10 weight classes are getting ready for that event, which will determine who makes it to the Armed Forces Championships at Quantico, Va., in March.

Sgt. 1st Class Tony Thomas, the Army coach, said 56 wrestlers were scheduled for the training here, with matches leading up to the All-Army event. But that number had shrunk to about 45 by Tuesday. It seems some of the soldier/wrestlers were answering another call — the call to Somalia.

Repeaters from last's years Armed Forces Champions will be on hand this time around in all but two categories, Thomas said.

"But the difference is going to be those guys who are second. The number one guys we expect to win," he said.

Moving to Fort Benning in 1990 has been a smart one for the wrestling team and its coaches. Prior to that, the Army had lost every Armed Forces Championship from 1977 through 1989. Since then, the Army has come out on top in every one of those inter-service championships.

Sometimes these guys, even the bigs ones who range in size up to 286 pounds, wrestle in virtual obscurity. Thomas remembers one match where only about 20 people showed up. But he expects the All-Army events to fill the bleachers of the Santiago Fitness Center at Sand Hill.

In the interim, there's a rigorous practice schedule running through March 16 and a couple of other tune-up matches. The Army team will be among the entrants at the Michigan Wrestling Club Open in Detroit on Feb. 7, followed by matches against the All-Navy Team on Feb. 13 in Pensacola, Fla. and at Fort Benning on Feb. 20.

IN BRIEF

Soccer registration runs through Feb. 5

Youth Services Soccer registration will run through Feb. 5. Family members ages 4 to 15 of active duty and retired military may sign up Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at Youth Services, Building 1056.

Youth Services also needs coaches for the upcoming soccer season. Individuals interested in coaching should stop by Youth Services or call Linda Laine, Youth Services sports director, at 545-3070.

GOLF LESSONS: Golf lessons are available at the Follow Me Golf Course for beginners and advanced players. Lessons may be private or group.

For more information, call 687-1940.

VOLLEYBALL SCREENING: The Fort Benning Physical Activities Branch will conduct its All-Army volleyball screening test to determine potential All-Army athletes. The test will be held Saturday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Audie Murphy Fitness Center.

For more information, call Robert Shelley at 545-1940.

FITNESS CLASSES: The Fort Benning Officers' Club offers a variety of step, aerobic and bodyshaping classes. They are taught by certified instructors with years of experience, and the classes are open to all ranks of military and civilians.

For a complete list of times and days, call the Fitness Center at 687-0871 or 545-4162.

OFFICERS' CLUB FITNESS: The Fort Benning Officers' Club offers aerobics classes in the mornings and evenings. Classes are $16 for 12 visits, with a drop-in fee of $3 per visit.

Monday, Wednesday and Friday — 8:45 to 9:30 a.m., 9:30 to 10:30 a.m., 5 to 6 p.m. and 6 to 7 p.m.

Tuesday and Thursday — 9:30 to 10:30 a.m., 10:30 to 11:15 a.m., 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., 5:30 to 6:45 p.m. and 6:50 to 7:30 p.m.

Saturday — 9:15 to 10:30 a.m.

The club also offers a martial arts (yoshukai) class Tuesdays and Thursdays from 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. Fee for the class is $30 a month, open to military and civilians at least 16 years of age.

Instructor Ron Zis has 23 years of experience in martial arts.

For more information about the Fort Benning Officers' Club Fitness Center, call 687-0871 or 682-1267.

GOLF SHIRTS NEEDED: The Fort Benning Golf Club needs men's golf shirts or colored T-shirts (no white or brown undershirts) to loan to golfers inappropriately attired.

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Patterson Award ceremony is Feb. 12

The 1993 Patterson Award ceremony will be held Friday, Feb. 12 at 9:30 a.m. in Building 2769, Wigle Hall.

The guest speaker will be Maj. Gen. Jerry A. White, Fort Benning commanding general.

The Patterson Award recognizes the most outstanding infantry officer graduate of Officer Candidate School from the previous year.

For more information, call Capt. Mary Crowder at 545-4711 or 545-4510.

SPENCER YEARBOOK: The Spencer High School 1992-1993 yearbook can now be ordered for $35.

The cost after March 1 will be $40.

The yearbook staff is still accepting advertisements if any student, parent or business would like to advertise in the publication.

For more information, call Spencer High School at 685-7652 between 9 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. or Corrine Walker, Yearbook Booster Club, at 682-1260.

AUTO EXAM: Automobile Service Excellence examinations will be administered May 4, 6 and 11 at all Fort Benning education centers.

Eligible soldiers may take three examinations free if they are taken for college credit.

The fee is $15 if the test is taken for certification or recertification.

The registration fee is $20 and registration must be completed by March 12 at any of the following education centers:

Main Post Education Center, Building 2602, 545-4863.

Kelley Hill Education Center, Building 9027, 544-3689.

Sand Hill Education Center, Building 3006, 544-9961.

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APPOINTMENTS FOR PHOTOGRAPHS: In order to efficiently serve its soldiers, the Training Support Center has instituted an appointment system for Department of the Army photographs.

Appointments may be made either in person at Building 108 or by calling 545-1381. Appointments will not be made more than two weeks in advance.

Hours of operation are Monday and Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and on Wednesday from 8 a.m. to noon.

TAX FORMS: All civilian employees who made a permanent change of station move to Fort Benning last year should contact Della Bursey in the Travel Section at 545-7385 for instructions on how to file a Relocation Income Tax Allowance claim.

REPAIR NUMBER: The telephone number to report needed repairs to the Hudson Construction Company in the Davis Hill and Bouton Heights housing areas has been changed from 685-2274 to 596-8313.

CIVILIAN PERSONNEL: A new Department of Defense Positive Recruiting List has been received in the Directorate of Civilian Personnel. The list may be reviewed in the Personnel Services Center in Meloy Hall, Building 6, Room 115.

PUBLICATION HOURS: Post publications has changed hours as a result of reduced manpower resources.

Hours of operation will be 8 a.m. to noon, Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, and will be closed each Wednesday. Emergencies will be handled on a case-by-case basis.

UCHEE BRIDGE CLOSED: Uchee Creek Bridge, located on 101st Airborne Division Road south of the entrance to the Uchee Creek Recreation area, has been undermined during recent heavy rains.

According to the Directorate of Public Works, until permanent repairs can be made the bridge has been closed. Until further notice, all traffic to Fryar Field, Lae Field and other points south of the Uchee Creek Recreation area must use an alternate route via Alabama State Highway 165.

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Lecture to explore behavior of children

From staff reports

A free lecture, "Children's Behavior Patterns and Preferences: How to Make the Most of Your Child's Strengths," will be held 7 p.m. Feb. 8 at Dexter School.

The session will focus on understanding the ways children learn, recognizing and building upon their strengths, motivating children to obey parents and on learning to help children develop critical readiness skills for school.

Open to Fort Benning parents, care givers and educators, the lecture is the fourth in a five-part series. The lecture series, "Talks About Young Children," deals with the development of children from infancy through age 5.

Because space is limited, reservations are required and will be taken through Feb. 5 or until the session is full. To register, call the schools' administration office between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. Children are not permitted to attend the lectures.

Judy Archer, coordinator of language arts and social studies for Fort Benning schools, will present the program.

The last lecture in the series will be held March 3. It is titled "Learning Together: Creative Activities at Home and Community Resources for Parents and Young Children."

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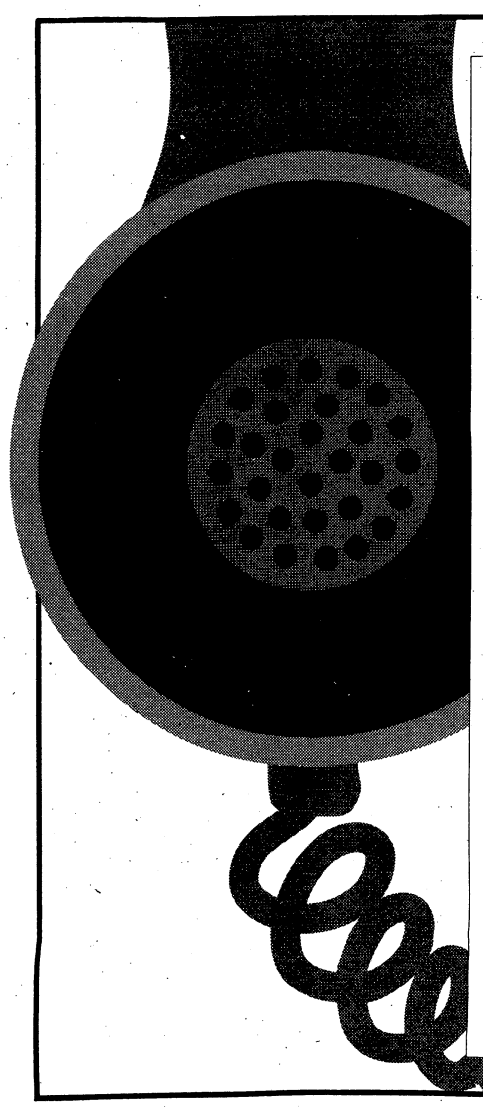

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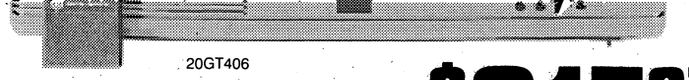

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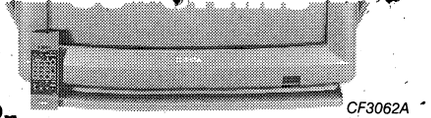

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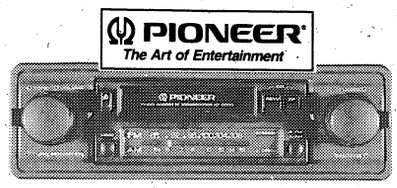

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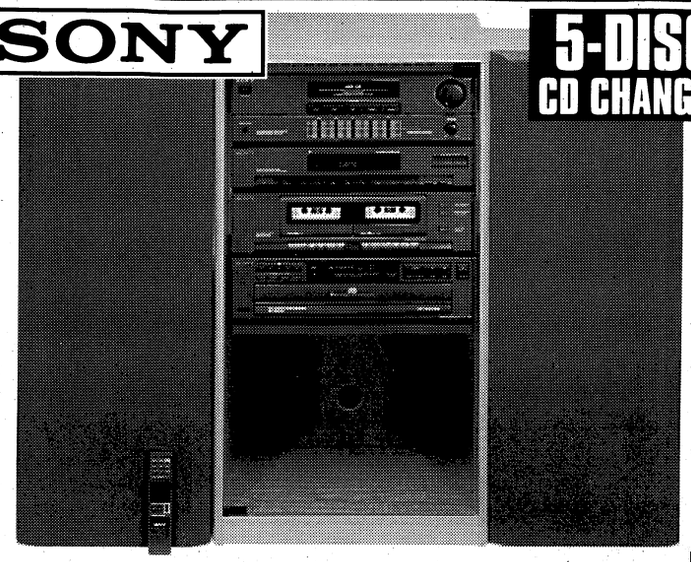

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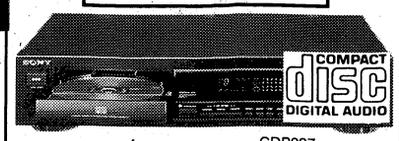

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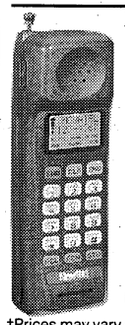

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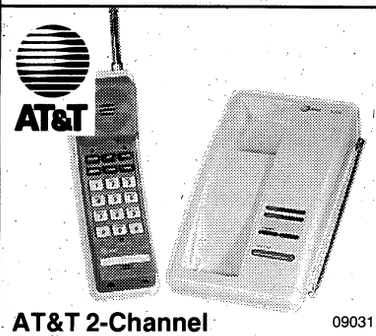

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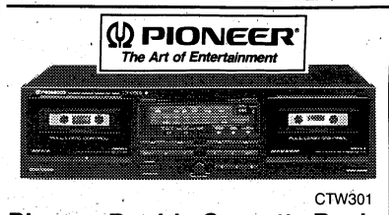

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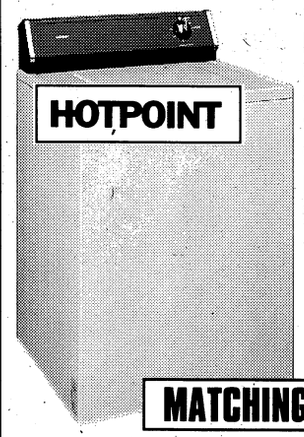

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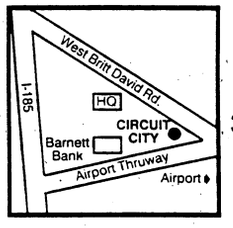

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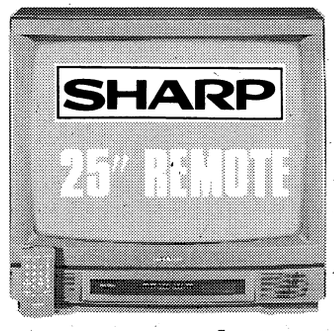

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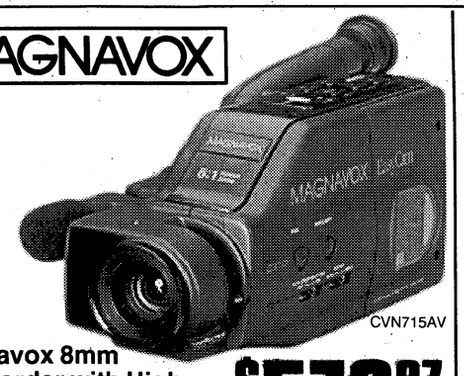

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DEFENSE

Defense cuts could create jobs, study says

From wire reports

WASHINGTON — A study requested by a Pentagon spending critic says transferring money from the defense budget to some state and local programs could produce thousands of jobs.

The Congressional Research Service report, released Monday, says two new jobs could be created for every one eliminated if the money was moved to six specific domestic spending categories.

The value of the study, ordered by Rep. John Conyers Jr., immediately was questioned by a defense industry already reeling from layoffs.

"The idea that you can convert an aircraft factory to a storm door factory — that dog don't hunt," said Robert O'Brien, Washington spokesman for major defense contractor McDonnell Douglas Corp.

"It takes a lot more people to build airplanes. Modern airplanes virtually are hand-built."

The study assumed that $3 billion in defense money was transferred to programs such as education, road projects and sewer construction.

Congressional researchers said 23,600 jobs could be created under such a scheme, and 11,500 lost.

"If the magnitude of the reallocation were increased by tenfold then the job creation estimate would increase by tenfold," the study said.

Conyers, chairman of the House Government Operations Committee, is using the report to fire an early salvo in this year's version of the annual defense spending debate.

"Think of all the positive things we could accomplish by peacetime uses of this funding and we wouldn't increase the deficit a dime. This only makes sense in both human and economic terms, now that the Cold War is over."

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The defense budget for fiscal 1993 is $289.3 billion. The fiscal 1994 budget, which will be debated in the coming months, marks the first time that lawmakers may shift funds directly from the military to domestic programs without running afoul of a deficit-cutting plan approved several years ago.

Conyers, D-Mich., is chief sponsor of legislation to transfer $3 billion from defense to needy local governments.

David H. Vadas, an economist for the 55-member company Aerospace Industries Association, said Conyers' plan would leave "a large number of highly skilled employees looking for jobs."

"These are jobs that generate exports. We contribute to the national security of the nation. Trained people, the longer period they are unemployed, tend to lose their skills in a highly technical area like aerospace," he said.

Vadas said U.S. Labor Department statistics show that aircraft manufacturing employees earned an average $16.28 an hour in 1991.

The figures also show, he said, that there were 401,000 employed in the military aircraft industry in 1986 compared to an estimated 299,000 today.

An economic model by DRI/McGraw-Hill, an economic forecasting and consulting firm, was used in the study to estimate job creation in 429 industries that would benefit from the transfer.

In the simplest terms, the economic model estimates how many jobs would be created by a specified amount of spending in certain industries.

The study pinpointed five industries that each could gain more than 1,000 jobs in a $3 billion transfer: road construction; sewer construction; engineering, architecture and surveying services; private contractors doing government repair work on schools and other projects; providers of nursing and personal care.

More than 1,000 jobs could be lost in the fields of radio and television communication equipment manufacturing and guided missile production.

Warner Robins won't land jet work

From wire reports

ATLANTA — Lockheed Aeronautical Systems Co. has retained control over where the F-22 advanced fighter jet will be assembled, but it won't necessarily be at the company's suburban Atlanta plant.

A company official said this week that Lockheed Aeronautical's parent, Lockheed Corp. in Calabasas, Calif., was evaluating which of the aircraft maker's facilities was best for the job.

Lockheed's options have expanded with the recent acquisition of General Dynamics Corp.'s fighter jet division.

The Air Force said it has decided against moving final assembly of the F-22 from Lockheed Aeronautical's plant in Marietta to a military base in central Georgia.

"The Air Force decision is it will be assembled at Lockheed, but the internal Lockheed decision has not been made," said Jeff Rhodes, spokesman for Lockheed Aeronautical. "We are evaluating what will happen with the acquisition of General Dynamics."

The Air Force disclosed last month it was studying moving the advanced stealth fighter assembly from Marietta to the logistics center at Robins Air Force Base, about 90 miles away. The work would still be done by Lockheed and its subcontractors, the Air Force said.

But Air Force officials told Rep. Buddy Darden, D-Ga., by telephone late last week that the study concluded the move "would not be cost effective," said Jennifer Johnson, the congressman's press secretary.

As much as a move to Robins would have been an economic blow for Cobb County, where Lockheed is the No. 1 employer, it was seen as a potential boon for middle Georgia.

Rep. Roy Rowland, who represents the area, had said such a move could lead to more defense projects located at Robins. Rowland's press secretary, Selby McCash, said Monday the Air Force had not shared enough information about its evaluation.

"He (Rowland) doesn't think it's a closed matter," McCash said. "He has not received enough information, just general statements. He has asked the Department of Defense for additional information."

McCash said Rowland will accept the decision if it can be shown it was based on a sound economic evaluation.

A team led by Lockheed won the $9.5 billion F-22 contract in 1991, and the first of the fighters, described as the world's most advanced, is expected to be delivered in 1995.

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COMMENTARY

Plan to lift ban on gays is dead wrong

I plan to lift the ban on homosexuals in the military is wrong. Equally wrong is the total disregard of the advice and counsel of the senior military leaders of this country on this issue.

Ben Register

No details of the meeting between the President and the Joint Chiefs of Staff have been released, but the pre-meeting and post-meeting media discussions identified one theme — the meeting was NOT to discuss the JCS concerns as a part of the decision making process, but to inform them of the decision and seek their input on implementation. Additionally, the comments of the new Secretary of Defense that the policy should be implemented over time and could be reversed if it doesn't work is totally unrealistic. The proper question is not HOW to implement a changed policy, but SHOULD the policy be changed.

Certainly, soldierly areas that are not at issue and which are basic to military service are the oaths to support and defend the Constitution of the United States, to obey the orders of the officers appointed over me, and the role of the Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces. Civilian control over the military is a valued principle of our Democracy that is understood and practiced by our Armed Forces.

For each individual the prospects of lifting the ban on homosexuals in the military is a personal and sometimes emotional issue. But emotion aside, in my view, there are three fundamental value areas that must be considered — institutional, professional and moral — and all resolved by what is best for the Armed Forces of this country.

INSTITUTIONAL ISSUES

The Armed Forces of the United States is an institution that requires a commitment to this nation like no other institution — "to defend this nation against all enemies both foreign and domestic" as contained in the oath taken by each soldier that enters the service.

There have been individual and national policy failures in the history of the Armed Forces as an institution. While the Vietnam period was a difficult time for the military, the lessons emerging from this period highlight deficiencies in national policy and clear military objectives. These led to a protracted war and the deterioration of many Additionally, military replacement policies which were based on individual replacements in units did not provide the unit stability and bonding of soldiers necessary for maintaining the most effective and cohesive fighting force in combat.

Public confidence in the military dropped and after many abortive policies in establishing the volunteer Army in the post-Vietnam era, it took a return to the time honored basics for this nation's military to get the outstanding military force we have today.

Included are high standards for the recruitment of the force; service and organizational pride; discipline; individual and mutual respect and confidence among military members and their families; equality of life in the military community; a rigorous training strategy that builds leadership, individual and organizational skills, teamwork, and unity; a strong, cohesive and unified chain of responsibility from the soldier and commander in the field, through the service senior leadership, the Joint Chiefs of Staff, the Secretary of Defense to the Commander-in-Chief, to name a few.

The current senior leadership of the military services along with many retirees lived through these tough, better, and best times and can relate to the value of these basics for a military force. "The proof is in the pudding" was demonstrated in Desert Shield/Desert Storm.

institutional values and concerns that must be considered in a major policy change. Almost all are intangibles, difficult to quantify, and easy to rationalize or minimize their impact — but they are real and each will be negatively impacted by permitting homosexuals in the military.

PROFESSIONAL ISSUES

There are two professional issues — one affecting the military capability and readiness of the force and the other is the selection of the military as a career or continued service in the Armed Forces. A homosexual lifestyle is incompatible with the military environment and will adversely affect law, order, morals, discipline, trust and confidence in leaders and/or subordinates. Make no mistake, these are readiness issues. The success of the volunteer Army depends upon attracting, enlisting and retaining high quality personnel — officer, non-commissioned officer and enlisted.

MORAL ISSUE

The moral issue is even more personal — religion, family values, rules of law, social conduct, standards of personal conduct and other personal beliefs are much stronger in the military than the general public recognizes and their personal morals will dictate their personal decisions and actions.

The Association of the United [illegible] position against lifting the ban on homosexuals in the military.

AUSA Resolution 93-20 — Homosexual Exclusion Policy

Homosexuality is incompatible with military service. The presence of homosexuals adversely affects the ability of the Armed Forces to maintain good order, discipline and morale, foster mutual trust and confidence among service members, ensure integrity of the system of rank and command, facilitate assignment and worldwide deployment of soldiers, recruit and retain soldiers, and maintain public acceptability of military service. The current DOD and DA homosexual exclusion policy is sound and fully supportable.

[illegible] service must not be treated as just another job. Military service is not a right. The impact of a policy change would have unpredictable and tragic consequences to soldiers and units.

The presence in the Armed Forces of homosexuals impairs the accomplishment of the military mission. This is clearly a readiness issue.

WE THEREFORE RESOLVE to urge the administration and congress to uphold current DOD policy on homosexual exclusion.

Ben Register, a retired lieutenant general, is president of the Chattahoochee Valley-Fort Benning Chapter of the Association of the United States Army (AUSA).

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Clinic to begin treating families only

Center takes over new duties Monday

By Linda Bosley Dailey
Staff Writer

When the PRIMUS clinic in central Columbus opens its doors at 7 a.m. Monday, it won't be the same clinic it was at closing the evening before.

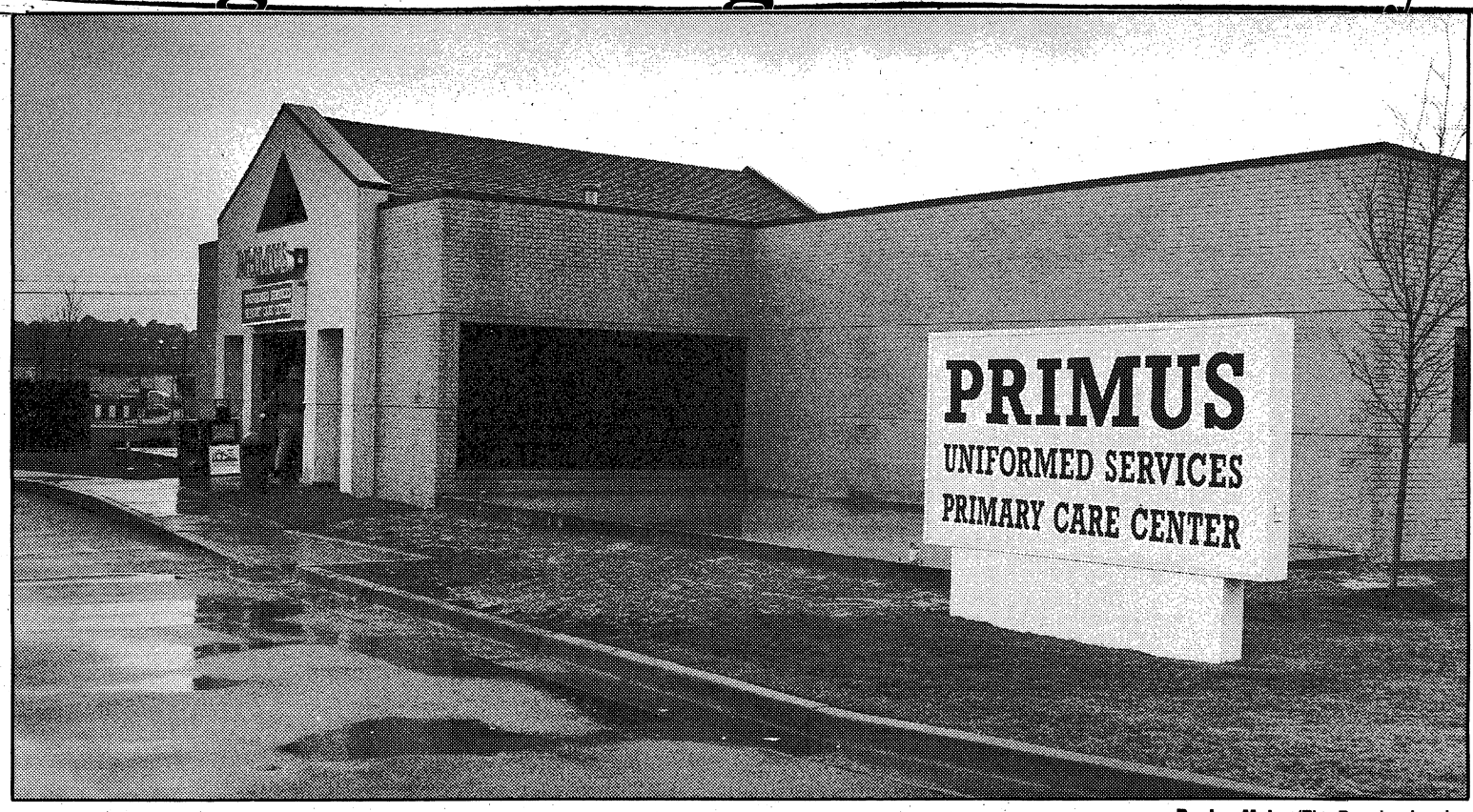
Beginning Monday, the clinic on Boxwood Place will be a family practice clinic.

Becoming one of Martin Army Community Hospital's four family practice clinics means that the PRIMUS Family Practice Clinic will begin providing ongoing medical care and referrals to specialists. But it means, too, that the PRIMUS clinic will treat only those patients assigned to it through Fort Benning's managed care program.

Except for emergency treatment to save life or limb, those patients who are not assigned to PRIMUS will be referred to the outpatient clinic at Martin Army Community Hospital on post.

The transformation of the PRIMUS (Primary Care for the Uniformed Services) Clinic into the PRIMUS Family Practice Clinic is the latest step in Fort Benning's efforts to establish a managed care program for military health care beneficiaries. The system — known as Gateway to Care — is designed to cut costs while improving access to care.

Construction to enlarge the PRIMUS clinic — from 6,500 to 8,500 square feet — won't be complete by Monday because the recent rainy weather delayed work. Nevertheless, the change to a family practice clinic will occur on time, said Wayne Vinson, project manager of the PRIMUS clinic.



By Joe Maher/The Benning Leader

The PRIMUS clinic located at Boxwood Place in central Columbus is expanding from 6,500 to 8,500 square feet.

The first of several pickup-truckloads of records from Martin Army Community Hospital arrived at the PRIMUS clinic Tuesday. The clinic will have 16,000 patients assigned there initially and may have 20,000 in the future, Vinson said.

PRIMUS clinic workers themselves had previously spent days poring through 40,000 records to determine which to keep because they belonged to people assigned to the PRIMUS clinic and which to send back to Martin Army hospital, Vinson said.

Along with the swap of paper records, the PRIMUS clinic and Martin Army hospital also are exchanging computer records, which contain patient registration and demographic information. A new computer system has been installed at the PRIMUS clinic to handle the electronic records, Vinson said.

The majority of area retirees and their spouses who join Gateway to Care will be assigned to the PRIMUS clinic. Until the PRIMUS clinic conversion, retirees have largely been denied access to family practice care through Martin Army because of a lack of resources and staffing.

Final two Gateway to Care meetings set

From staff reports

During the next two weeks, Martin Army Community Hospital officials will hold the last of their briefings to explain Gateway to Care and answer questions about the hospital's new managed care system.

The meetings will be held at 6 p.m. in Infantry Hall's Marshall Auditorium on Tuesday and again on Feb. 9.

The briefings are open to retirees and to all soldiers and their dependents who missed earlier meetings with Gateway officials.

Joining the Gateway to Care program is optional, but is necessary to be assigned to a family practice clinic. Eligible beneficiaries will be able to sign up for the program at the briefings.

Blood drives to show Gulf veterans' impact on supply

Blood drives scheduled in area

Blood drives scheduled for the area in coming weeks include:

■ Auburn University's annual blood drive is today and Saturday.

Registration for donors is 10 a.m.-4 p.m. CST daily in the Haley Center lobby. After a medical screening, those over age 17 may donate in the Haley Center basement.

A "community day" will be Saturday from 10 a.m.-4 p.m., with officials and ministers from Auburn and Opelika to be placed in a "jail" until blood-donation pledges "bail" them out.

■ Fort Benning will hold a blood drive Feb. 19 from 10 a.m.-3:30 p.m. in Building 4.

■ Columbus College has set a blood drive Feb. 16-17 from 8:45 a.m.-2:15 p.m. at the Davidson Student Center.

■ Chattahoochee Valley Community College will hold a blood drive in the spring, with the date to be announced.

By Judith Bethel
Staff Writer

Two major blood drives in the next few weeks will help American Red Cross officials determine how much impact donations from Persian Gulf veterans will have on the regional blood supply.

A blood drive that began Tuesday at Auburn University and a drive coming up at Columbus College soon should be prime indicators of the Desert Storm veterans' impact.

Auburn's annual blood drive, ending Saturday, is expected to get a boost from some Gulf veterans previously banned from donating blood, say Red Cross officials.

Veterans had been prohibited from giving blood because of possible infection caused by sandflies, a parasite common to the Persian Gulf area, but the prohibition was lifted on Jan. 1. Restrictions remain for veterans deferred because of malaria inoculations, said Jody Williams of the Auburn Red Cross chapter.

Some increase in donations in Columbus has been seen since lifting of the ban, said Anne West, spokeswoman for Atlanta-based American Red Cross Blood Services. In the first 21 days of 1993, 264 donors gave blood in Muscogee County compared to 229 in the same period last year, said West.

But the military may not be the difference, a local hospital official said.

"We are always short on blood supplies and I don't think lifting the ban for the military will make much difference," said Dr. H.J. Peters, director of laboratories at St. Francis Hospital in Columbus.

"Whatever the military usually gives, they donate to their own pool. In general, this community donates less blood than it actually receives from the Red Cross."

In addition to military personnel, Red Cross officials throughout the area say they are counting on donations from college and high school students to help build the blood supply.

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COMMUNITY

Some students must change schools

From staff reports

School assignments will change next year for some elementary school students as Fort Benning closes two of its elementary schools and opens a newly built one.

The new school, Stowers Elementary School, will serve all students living in the Bouton Heights and Davis Hill communities.

Both Wilbur and Patch elementary schools will close at the end of this school year. Students currently attending Wilbur will move to Loyd Elementary School, while Patch's pupils will go to White Elementary School.

The Fort Benning Early Childhood Development Center, familiarly known as Patch Preschool, will remain open in that building next year, said Jennifer Williams, child development services coordinator.

Other changes were made to balance the attendance load.

Children in kindergarten through fifth grade next year will attend schools according to the following assignment schedule:

South Main Post — Dexter School (no change);

North Main Post — White School (no change);

McDaniel Manor — White School (moved from Dexter);

Upatoi Terrace — White School (moved from Loyd);

McGraw Manor — kindergartners through third-graders: McBride School (no change), and fourth- and fifth-graders: White School (no change);

Bouton Heights — Stowers School (moved from Loyd, Patch and White);

Davis Hill — Stowers School (moved from Wilbur);

Custer Terrace — Loyd School (moved from Wilbur);

Battle Park — Loyd School (moved from Wilbur);

Old Officer Capehart — Loyd School (moved from Wilbur);

and Indianhead Terrace — Wilson School (no change).

Construction of the new Stowers school, which will accommodate 650 students, is expected to be complete late this spring. Gail Wilson, principal of Wilbur School, will be Stowers' principal when the school opens in August.

The schools' administration office will move from its building on NCO Drive to the Wilbur School building after the school is vacated — probably sometime during the summer, said Beth Middlemiss, a spokeswoman for Fort Benning Schools.

For more information about school assignments, call the school system's administration office at 545-2500.

FYI

The Housing Referral Office provides assistance to all military personnel, their family members and Department of the Army civilians moving to the community. The Referral Office is located in Building 2622. Office hours are 7:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Call 545-3921.

School plans reading retreat

From staff reports

Wilson School will host a reading retreat for its fourth-graders and their parents 6-8:30 p.m. Feb. 5 at the school.

The activities scheduled for the evening include a play, a drama game, a sing-along and listening to guest storyteller Rosa Childs. Children and parents also will read to each other.

Teachers will provide parents with tips to help children enjoy and improve their reading.

White School having a family supper

The White School Parent Teacher Organization will host a family night supper for White School pupils and their families 6-8 p.m. Feb. 5 at the school.

Reservations for the meal will accepted through today, and may be made by calling the school at 545-4623.

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WORLD

Bosnian leaders hold out hope U.S. will fork over weapons

From wire reports

WASHINGTON — Hopeful the Clinton administration will provide weapons, leaders of Bosnia's embattled government vowed today to keep fighting against Serbian forces to maintain their country's independence.

Their appeal for arms and U.N. enforcement of a "no-fly" zone were due for consideration by the National Security Council later in the day.

The delegation headed by Ejup Ganic, a member of the Bosnian presidency, and Mohamed Sacerbey, Bosnia's ambassador to the United Nations, called on Clinton administration officials to press their case.

"We should have a right to defend ourselves," Ganic said. "Our hands are tied."

More than half the country is occupied by Serbian forces, about two-thirds of them from the regular Yugoslav army, the Bosnians said at a news conference.

They said they would accept arms from Arab countries if the new administration did not help them, though Sacerbey said "the whole idea is not to make this a Muslim issue." The ambassador said Bosnia-Herzegovina considered itself part of Europe.

During the election campaign President Clinton promised to assist the mostly Muslim government in its war with Serbs from Bosnia and from Serbia. "This is a battle to eradicate a people," Sacerbey said.

"In our conversations with some of these individuals (Clinton administration officials) we have been left with the impression we should not be disappointed," he said.

At the same time, the ambassador accused the Bush administration of making at best a halfhearted effort to have the embargo lifted and to persuade the U.N. Security Council to threaten to use force to keep the skies over Bosnia-Herzegovina clear of Serbian warplanes.

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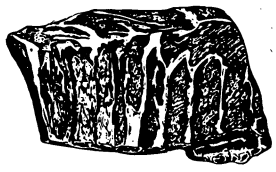

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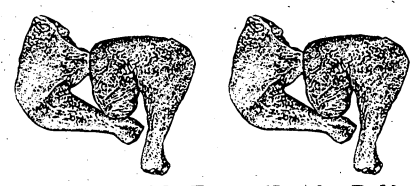

Country Pride Fryer (Jumbo Pak)

Leg Quarters

lb **19¢** limit 2

YOU SAVE 20¢ Lb.

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Bilmar

Turkey Breast

lb **$2.99**

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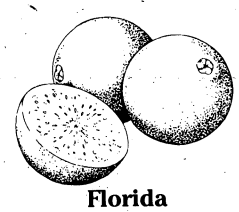

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Juicy Oranges

4 lb bag **97¢**

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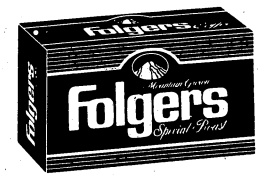

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TRAVEL

Mardi Gras: One of many winter festivals

From wire reports

Winter sinks in. Dark. Unyielding. For some, it's time to lie low, waiting out winter one gray day at a time.

For others it's party time, the season for high-cranking festivals from old Quebec to New Orleans, Michigan to Minnesota.

Northern festivals celebrate winter with softball on ice, dancing in the streets, winter fireworks and palaces made of snow. In New Orleans, Mardi Gras is a lovable, bourbon-fueled loony bin.

So pack your bags. Winter is to enjoy, not to run from. A look around:

MARDI GRAS, New Orleans, Jan. 24-Feb. 23.

High tide.

Days ending in "y."

New Orleans finds any excuse for a party.

Hedonism comes to a happy head Feb. 23 with Mardi Gras (Fat Tuesday), a guileless blowout leading to Ash Wednesday and the beginning of Lent.

Mardi Gras is soulful jazz, fragrant jambalaya, masked balls, streets raucous with revelers and dozens of colorful parades run by social clubs called krewes.

Mardi Gras is pure spectacle. Why would sane people crowd a curbside hoping to catch cheap aluminum coins and plastic beads showering down from floats? Don't ask. Just wedge in there with them.

"Throw me something, mister." Krewe paraders usually do.

Last year, 2 million partiers crammed into the French Quarter and environs for Mardi Gras.

Major parades began rolling last weekend. Early birds can see extravagant floats minus the beer-swilling mobs of Mardi Gras until about 10 days before Fat Tuesday.

Then New Orleans cranks it up. The Dendymion parade is Feb. 20 and Bacchus, Feb. 21. The Proteus parades are on Monday night, Feb. 22; Lundi Gras is the hip new heart of Carnival season.

Fat Tuesday brings Zulu, the black krewe, followed by Rex, followed by smaller parades, followed by more parties, followed by Wednesday and a citywide hangover that reaches to the muddy banks of the Mississippi River.

For more information, call the New Orleans Tourist Information Center, 1-504-566-5011, weekdays 10-6.

WINTER CARNAVAL, Quebec City, Feb. 4-14.

Sheer cliffs drop to the St. Lawrence River. Horse-drawn sleighs jingle along timeworn streets. Smoke billows from old stone chimneys into a starry winter sky.

Nowhere is winter quite as alluring as in Quebec City.

From its ancient walls to the castle-like spires of the Chateau Frontenac hotel, Quebec City captivates the visitor with European ambience and French joie de vivre.

This is the third-largest existing winter celebration — after Rio and New Orleans.

For more information on Carnaval de Quebec, call 1-800-363-7777 or 1-418-626-3716, weekdays 9-5.

WINTER CARNIVAL, St. Paul, Minn., Feb. 5-10.

There's enough winter for a winter carnival in St. Paul, just not enough money. So this year's party has been shortened from the traditional 10 days.

Palaces costing what they do, the Ice Palace has been canceled.

Unbowed, St. Paul parties hearty with concerts, contests, softball on ice, displays of antique sleighs and cutters, ice carving, a Feb. 6 gala parade and a Feb. 10 torchlight parade, followed by fireworks.

Phone 1-800-488-4023, weekdays 10-6.

WINTERLUDE, Ottawa, Feb. 5-14.

What one expects of Ottawa: Some stuffy old capital where Mounties go to die.

What one gets: Acclaimed museums, candlelit restaurants in ancient houses, Old World-style parliament buildings, the world's longest skating rink (in Rideau Canal) and, across the Ottawa River, the wee-hours fun of French Quebec.

The Winterlude festival began 15 years ago as a family-oriented, regional event; last year, it drew 1.2 million visitors.

Highlights in 1993 include ice carving, snow sculpture, fireworks, street dancing, a winter triathlon (run, skate, ski), chocolate-tasting, stew cookoff in the famous Byward Market, snow volleyball and canoe races on ice.

For an interlude from Winterlude, Canadian art treasures fill the airy National Gallery of Canada. Or try the walk-through trench at the Canadian War Museum. By reservation, you can tour the Royal Canadian Mint. Visitors to the green-roofed Parliament Buildings can observe from the gallery when the House of Commons is sitting. And, of course, Ottawa is ga-ga over its new National Hockey League team, the Senators.

For more information on Winterlude, call 1-800-465-1867, weekdays 9-5.

Associated Press

Men, women and children enjoy a parade along St. Charles Avenue during the Mardi Gras festival last year in New Orleans.

FYI

The Army Emergency Relief offers emergency loans and grants to active duty personnel and family members. Education assistance and emergency food assistance is also available. Officer and staff are located in Building 2642. Call 545-2536, 8 a.m.-Monday through Friday. The Post Staff Duty Officer may be reached after duty hours, weekends and holidays; for disaster relief and life and death emergencies, call 545-2218.

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The Relocation Program provides support and assistance to soldiers and their family members moving to Fort Benning or to other military installations. Information is available on schools, child care and spouse employment. Call 545-4357 or 545-4149.

Columbus Hospice, Inc. announces
A Community Program for Bereaved Young People Offering Support & Grief Education
6 Week Program Begins February 23
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CLEANING SERVICES C3

WILL CLEAN your residence or office. References available. Call Sandra, 298-6087

CHILD CARE C7

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PUBLIC NOTICES 016

Anyone knowing the location of Brenda Gray (maiden name) please call Jim La Rose 404-251-6818.

PERSONALS 020

Are You Troubled? Need to talk? Call CONTACT. We care. 24 hrs. Free. 327-3999

ANTIQUES 036

PROTO TYPE Philco tvs, set of 2, in poor condition, but may be of interest to collector or antique buff. Best offer. Call 324-7010 aft. 4pm.

APPLIANCE SALES 040

All Cycle Heavy Duty washer & dryer, like new, $125. ea. 6 mo. warranty. Free delivery. Call 682-4908

APPLIANCE SALES 040

KENMORE WASHER, $75; Whirlpool dryer, $75. Good cond. 685-2859

REFRIGERATOR, frost-free side by side, excellent cond., w/ice maker, $275; washer, $150; call 687-7104

COMPUTERS & EQUIP. 052

Computer IBM Compatible, 40 Megabyte hard drive, VGA monitor, printer, $750. Call 297-0143

1000 SL IBM Compatible, 3" & 5" Drives, color monitor, loads of software & accessories. $375. Call 569-8351 after 5pm.

FIREWOOD 054

One truck load of firewood Only $45!
Call Scott at 297-8743

REMINGTON 700 DELUXE, 308, leupold, 3x9x40, $300; Remington 870 Express, 3" rem choke, new, $250. 297-7769

FIREARMS 056

RUGER M77RS 458 caliber, like new, $550; Marlin 39-A lever action, 22 caliber, $200. Call 298-6812

FURNITURE FOR SALE 058

Bassett BR Suite, exc. cond., queen headboard & frame, dresser with mirror & armoire, $400. Call 569-8570

Beautiful In-laid table w/6 cane chairs, lg. china cabinet, $1800/offer. 563-8391

FURNITURE FOR SALE 058

COUNTRY wing-back sleeper sofa, $175. Call 660-8232

FIVE PIECE LIVING ROOM SUITE, $100. Call 569-6886

MOVING SALE, leather couch &love seat $450; wall unit $300; washer and dryer $200; refrigerator $50; dining room table $75. Much more. May be seen at 5039 Milgen Ct. on Saturday from 11am to 4pm.

RCA 25" Color Console TV, $150; Like new maple captains bed with matress, $100. 660-0804 after 4pm.

REDECORATING SALE!!!
Sofa, brwn/beige w/pink, $300; (2) chairs, pink, $200 each; Magnavox stereo/radio combo, $100; call 561-5784

Red metal day bed, $150. w/mattress. Century Carseat, $25. Call 324-7999

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SOFA & matching chair: Comes w/lamps & 2 end tables, good cond., $150; call 685-8305

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WHIRLPOOL WASHER and Kenmore dryer, $100 each; 4 breakfast room chairs, $25 each; 2 chest of drawers, $40 & $50. 298-4716

Windsor Oak Bedroom Suite, exc. cond. Queen size cannonball bed, 2 nightstands, armoire & library table. $900. 324-7093 after 5pm

SPORTS EQUIP. & SUPPLIES 064

MAXI-FLEX WEIGHT machine by DP, 1mos. use, $150. Call 575-2481

Scuba Gear '92, used twice, oceanic reg., oct. & gauges, BC unisex medium, bought at $1000, will sacrifice at $700/offer. 563-8840

SOLOFLEX w/leg & butterfly attachments. $600/firm. Call 563-3316 nights.

JEWELRY 068

MOVADO Man's watch. Brand new, good-looking. Blue dial, lizard band. Retail price $395. Will sell for $200. Call 324-3836.

ZONE 1 GEORGIA

Relocating SALE! XL + Men's clothes & other stuff. Harpers Ferry Rd Hwy 80 E., left on Jenkins Rd, follow signs. **FRI & SAT, 8am-5pm**

ZONE 2 GEORGIA

4390 Macon Rd
Sat Only, 7am-3pm
Picnic table, furniture, tools, and other misc. items.

ZONE 4 GEORGIA

PCS YARD SALE
Sat., 1/30, 9-3.
3E Rabel Ct., Bouton Heights, Ft. Benning.

MISC. FOR SALE 076

AIR GOMETER Exerciser, $125; chrome rollbar for Toyota, $100; air compressor, $100; full size truck toolbox, $50. Call 569-1649

Dinette Set, $50; Kenmore 17 cbft, frost-free refrigerator, $175; 7000 BTU window unit A/C, $50; student desk, $25; rocking chair, $50; twin bed, $25; 17,500 BTU window unit A/C, $175; boat w/40hp motor & trailer, $300; call 324-4144

DOG HOUSES new, painted, shingled roof. 1 large, $60; 3 small, $25 ea. Can deliver. Call 323-1677.

MERCURY COUGAR '78 $450; Frigidaire dryer, good cond., $125; loveseat, $25; call 327-4797

SpaceInvaders Arcade Game, $125/best offer; Sharp VCR w/remote, $125/best offer; call 291-7862

SuperSinglewaterbed, comes w/heater, liner, & mattress, $75; Whirlpool refrigerator w/ice maker, $175; call 568-7045

MISC. FOR SALE 076

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS are for sale: **Commodore 64** computer system, includes monitor, keyboard, disk drive, printer, desk, instruction manuals, asking $500. **Large 8-10** man tent, $75. 561-9826 or 561-3999 Ext 37.

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D. REDDING MUSIC
Beallwood Conn./50th St. Crate G60 amp, $250. Hohner Les Paul, $450. 596-1260

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80 Watts, $200.
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TV-VIDEO STEREO SALES 096

BIG SCREEN TV
46" RCA , wood cabinet, $900. neg. Call 596-0523

COLOR TV, 25 inch console, less than 2yrs old, pd $650 but will sell for $250, mint condition. Call 687-7104

13" Color TV, almost new, $125. VCR w/remote, $105. Call 322-8187

19" $50. 19" Color, cable & remote control ready, $75. 25", portable, cable ready, remote control ready, $150. 25" color console, $75. 25" Color console w/remote, $100. Call 571-9265

BARGAIN COLUMN 099

Christian books (25), $20; tapes and CD's (20), $10; call 687-6476

100 PETS, FARM & GARDEN

FARM EQUIPMENT 120

JOHN DEERE TRACTOR, 40HP, 4WD, with cab, $7000/firm. 205-667-7424

PETS 122

AKC Black Lab: Trained, ideal for hunting, $100. Call 706-628-5790

AKC CHOW PUPS, 8 wks. old, weaned & paper trained. $75. Call 322-8742

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AKC DALMATIANS, Call Gene Connell after 7 p.m. 912-336-0959 Sale City, GA.

AKC LABRADORS champ. bloodline, black, yellow, only 3 left. $175. 324-3328

AKC Miniature Schnauzers males & females. Shots & wormed. $250.(205)576-2204

AKC Miniature Schnauzers, 6 wks old, $150 to $200. Call 576-5639.

AKC REG. Lab pups, blk & gold available. $100 each. Call 297-3539

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Bassett Hound Puppys: AKC reg., $100 each. Call 298-2516

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SIBERIAN HUSKY PUPS 8wks, AKC, Black/white, blue eyes, shots & vet. checked, $250. 706-655-2475

PETS-LOST & FOUND 127

HAVE YOU LOST YOUR PET? Please contact the Muscogee County Humane Society at 7133 Sacerdote Lane, off Schatulga Road, 706-563-4929 or the Russell County Humane Society at 205-298-0080.

YOU CAN HELP SAVE A PET
Call our 24-hour hotline for lost & found pets. 576-6009.

FREE COLUMN ANIMALS 130

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Part Lab/Bull Terrier puppies. 6 males, 2 females. Will be med.-lg. sized dogs. Call 297-6917, lv. msg.

WANTED TO BUY 142

Albany Pallet Exchange. We buy 48x40 wooden pallets, in Richland, GA. Highest prices paid. Call 1-800-763-6487, ask for Lynne.

200 EMPLOYMENT

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Abbreviations 202

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full time - F/T
experience - exp.
technician - tech.
commercial driver's license - CDL
over-the-road - OTR
service - svc.
assistant - asst.
system - sys.
references - ref.
required - req.
words per minute - wpm
secretary - sec'y
weekends - wkends
section - sec.
superintendent - super
Monday-Friday - M-F
Male/Female - M/F
Veterans/Handicapped - V/H
Equal Employment Opportunity - EEO
Affirmative Action - AA
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Please leave A Blank Space Between All Words And Prices. Please include your phone number.

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RESTAURANTS & CLUBS 212

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WAIT STAFF NEEDED
Country's On Broad
Now hiring experienced day & night shift wait staff. Apply in person between: 9 a.m.-10 a.m. and 2 p.m.-4 p.m.

HELP WANTED GENERAL 216

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PIECE WORK, $170 part time, $350 full time, making golf and kitchen items. Call Norma 313-242-1234.

HELP WANTED PART-TIME 218

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MEDICAL DENTAL 220

PRN STAFF
LPN or RN to teach classes with established diabetes unit. Please contact:
Diabetes Treatment Center
Doctors Hospital
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Call 571-4161

OFFICE CLERICAL 222

NATIONAL CAR RENTALS at Airport needs Counter Rental Rep w/experience in computer for evening shift, 4:30-12 and 2-10, 29 hours. Must have outgoing public relation personality. Call 322-4586.

PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT 224

QUALITY CONTROL PERSONNEL NEEDED
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EOE

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SALES 226

MOTEL ADVERTISING
Experienced sales people needed. Business in your area. Overnight travel required. We pay the highest commission in the industry. Fax your resume to 501-362-0845 or call Mr. White at 501-362-8259 for a local interview.

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Retail clothing experience preferred. Apply in person only: Mon-Sat, 10-7pm. **G. Mansour's, Harmony Place**

SKILLS & TRADES 228

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TRAX, INC.
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Atlanta, GA 30349

SKILLS & TRADES 228

LOADING FOREMAN
needed. People and organizational skills necessary with this established company with good benefits. Reply to: Box 237 c/o Ledger Enquirer, P. O. Box 711, Columbus, GA. 31902-0711.

SECURITY OFFICERS needed. 2 yrs. min. experience, Medical benefits. 1-800-528-0739, ext. 299.

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JOB WANTED 230

AT HOME PET SERVICE
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MONEY TO LEND 414

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greatroom - GR
fireplace - FP
central heat/air-cent. h/a
washer/dryer - w/d connections-w/d conn.
refrigerator - fridge
available - avail.
north - N.
south - S.
Columbus - Cols.
Phenix City- P.C.
acres - ac.
minutes - min.
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subdivision - S/D
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TOWNHOUSES & CONDOS 517

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88 New Yorker 4-Door, Mark Cross Edition, Loaded $4900

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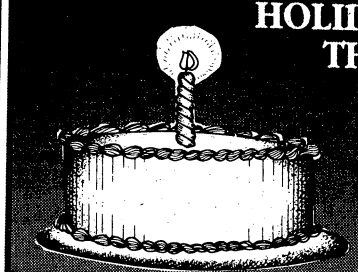

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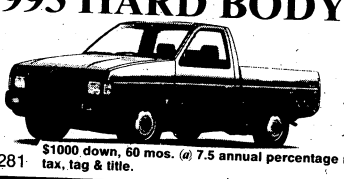

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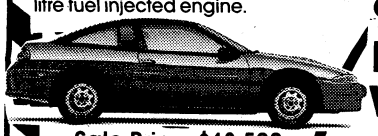

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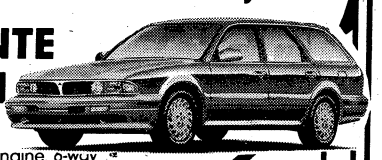

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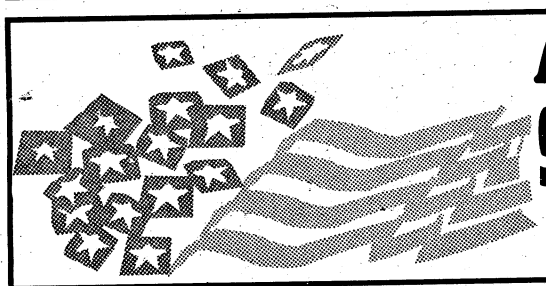

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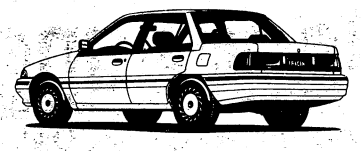

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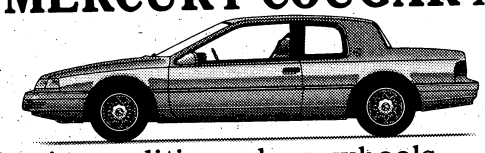

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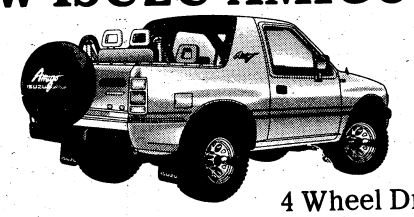

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'81 280ZX 2+2 T-tops, 5spd, a/c, ps, pb, very good cond., $3100. 323-6853, 569-5045

IMPORTED AUTOS 936

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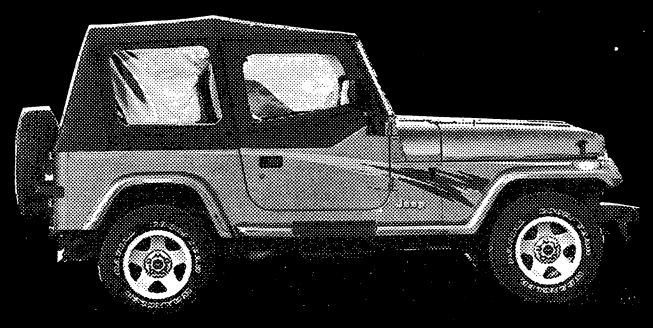

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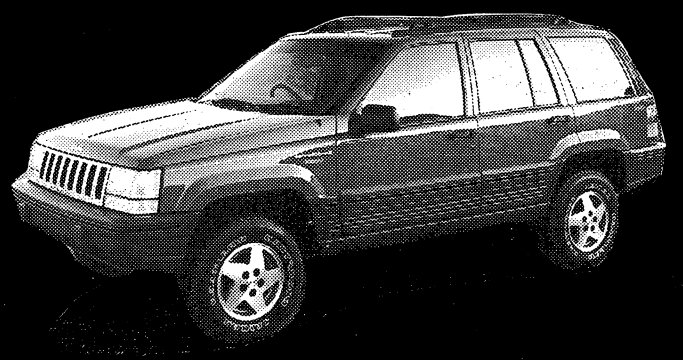

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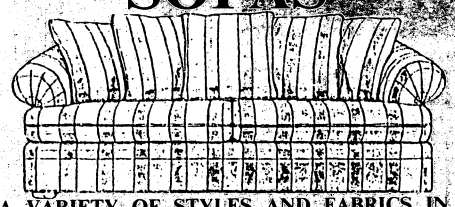

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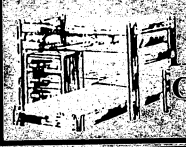

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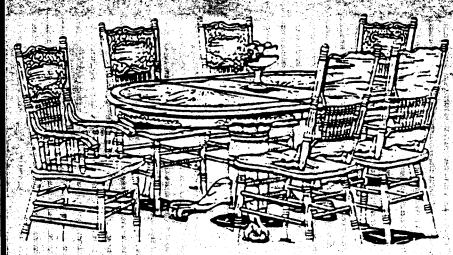

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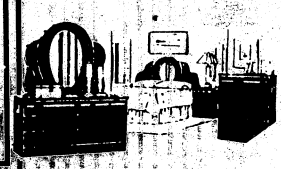

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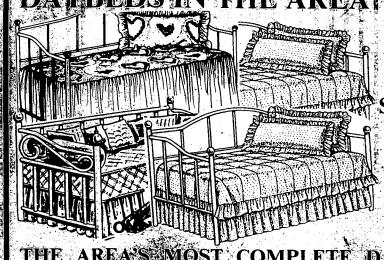

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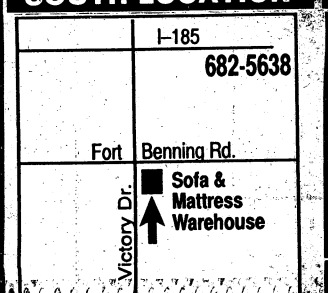

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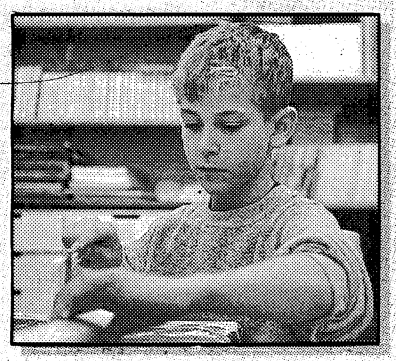

Learning art

Sean Kearney (above) helps with a sculpture artist-in-residence Jeff Mather is working on for Dexter School. **Page 12**

ISSUES

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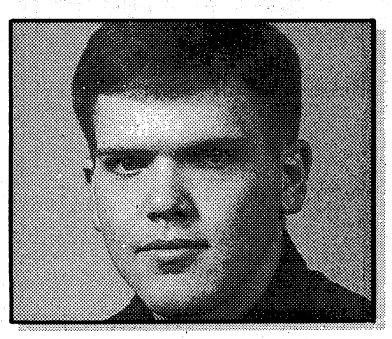

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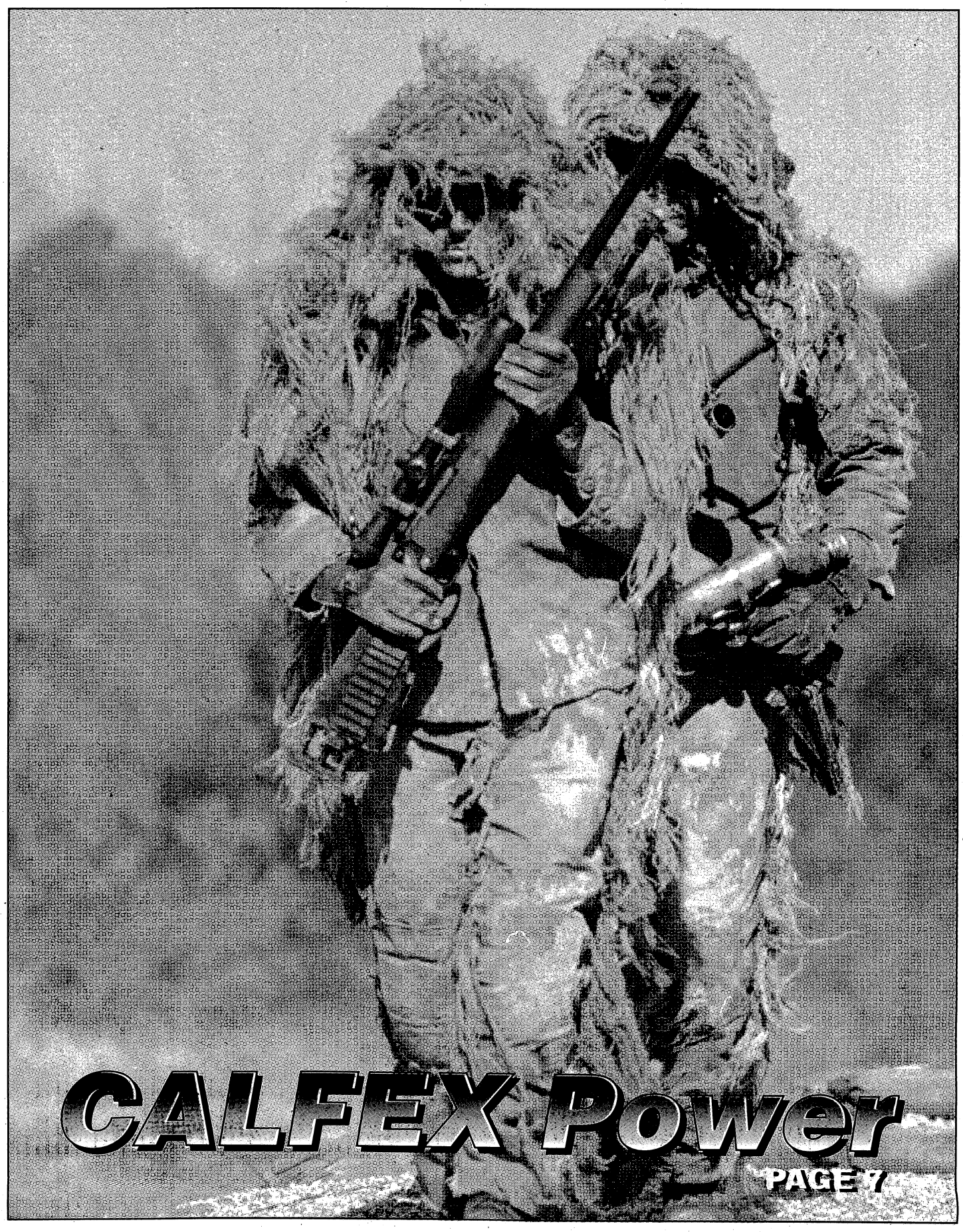

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COMMENTARY

Aspin's plan gives military potent ammo

WASHINGTON — As a marketing device, the seductive power of Defense Secretary Les Aspin's "Desert Storm Equivalent" is simply awesome. It locks in place a bogus requirement for a huge active-duty military. It locks out an alternative that could save money and, more importantly, would restore some overdue constraints on the imperial presidency's war-making powers.

David Evans

Aspin has said our defense needs in the post-Cold War era "must be threat-based."

His approach, which by his recent statements remains unchanged, was laid out in a paper the former chairman of the House Armed Services Committee issued last year.

"I nominate the Iraq or Iraq Equivalent as a benchmark or unit of account for future threats. One Iraq Equivalent is equal to the amount of offensive power that Iraq possessed prior to Desert Storm," Aspin wrote.

"The advantage of this approach is that Americans know how to deal with an Iraq Equivalent — with a Desert Storm Equivalent. Denominating the threat in terms of Iraqs can produce an uncommonly clear appreciation of the link between the threat and the forces required for response," Aspin declared.

However, the "uncommonly clear" Iraqi threat in Aspin's calculations is not the Iraqi military that the American-led coalition forces defeated.

Aspin's Iraqi Equivalent consists of 42 divisions, which at full strength would number 547,000 troops. But in a separate report on the Persian Gulf War Aspin published two months after his "Desert Storm Equivalent" analysis, he indicated that these divisions were badly understrength to begin with and that by the start of the ground war the Iraqi force had shrunk, mostly from desertions, to about 180,000 outnumbered and dispirited troops.

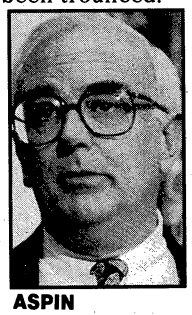
Yet Aspin's calculations assumed that all weapons systems were fully functional.

The methodology that produced his Iraq Equivalent was based exclusively on firepower estimates. For example, a tank is worth so many rifles. A division's total capability is the sum of all these firepower scores.

What's not factored in? Logistics, tactics, the value of surprise and timing.

Above all, there was no accounting for Iraqi troops who couldn't shoot straight or who evidenced even much desire to shoot, although these human factors dominated the actual outcome. As the saying goes, "Success in battle is not a function of how many show up, but who they are."

Recall that after the war Gen. H. Norman Schwarzkopf declared that if the two sides had traded equipment before the shooting started — Iraqis in our tanks, and American troops in their Russian tanks — the Iraqis still would have been trounced.



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In brief, Aspin's analysis grossly inflated Iraqi capabilities. Given his explicit linkage of the Iraq Equivalent to the Desert Storm Equivalent, Aspin also inflated the size of the U.S. forces needed to fight countries such as Iraq.

As he said at his confirmation hearing Jan. 7, "Do you want to be able to do another Desert Storm? Well, you need so many divisions and . . . so many carrier task forces and so many air wings."

And Aspin also figured that the United States would have very little warning time, and therefore that active-duty forces would be required, because National Guard and Reserve forces would not be available until later.

What boils out of all this is Aspin's preference for an active-duty military of about 1.4 million service members, backed up by 904,000 in the reserve component. This force, Aspin said, would be able to fight a Desert Storm.

It's expensive, with a "required" fiscal 1997 defense budget of at least $270 billion.

Consider an alternative, where the personnel numbers are reversed: Reserve forces totaling 1.4 million and an active-duty military reduced to 900,000.

According to David Hoff, deputy director of the National Guard Association and a retired Air Force brigadier general, putting more forces in the reserve establishment would save a pile of money.

"The cost of one active-duty Army division is equivalent to four National Guard divisions. An Air National Guard tactical fighter wing can be had for 75 percent of the cost of an active wing," he said.

Aspin would still have quick-response forces on active status but not so many — a vital point. Reserve forces cannot be ordered to extended deployments without congressional approval. The decision to go to war shifts from the White House to Capitol Hill.

That's the subtle and worrisome beauty of Aspin's Desert Storm Equivalent: It may be analytical hokum, but it outflanks a real constitutional separation-of-powers issue.

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Here, according to research by the Military History Division at Fort Benning, were the top news items of the week 50 years ago:

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In England, Prime Minister Winston Churchill addressed the House of Commons, announcing the reconstitution of all Allied forces in North Africa, to include Field Marshal Bernard Montgomery's Eighth Army, under the sole command of Lt. Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower.

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In Chunking, China, British Field Marshal Sir John Dill and U.S. Gen. H. "Hap" Arnold concluded a series of conferences aimed at coordinating Allied strategy with Chinese Gen. Chiang Kai-shek.

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. . . The Japanese armed forces officially announced their complete evacuation of Guadalcanal during a public radio broadcast in Tokyo.

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Fort Benning welcomed newly commissioned Capt. Hank Gowdy, for whom the installation's baseball field was already named, as he assumed his duty of overseeing all post athletic and recreational activities as the special service officer for the Infantry School. Known affectionately as "Old Sarge," Gowdy was a former All Star caliber catcher who had become the first major leaguer to enlist in the Army and fight in World War I.

CORRECTION

A story in the Jan. 29 edition of The Benning Leader stated that Gen. Dennis J. Reimer, the Army's vice chief of staff, will be receiving his fourth star. Reimer is already a four-star general.

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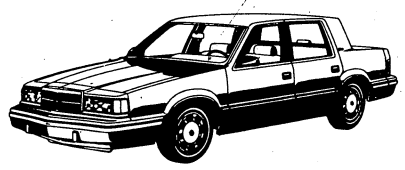

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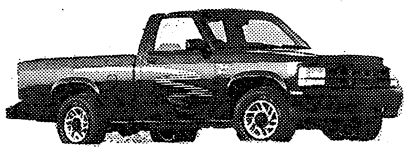

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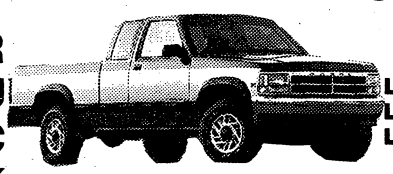

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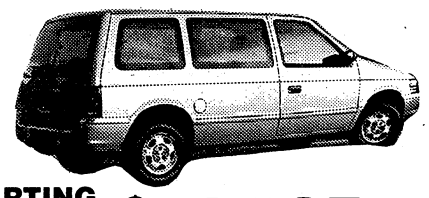

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STANDING TALL

Somalia was as bad as soldier feared

Says African nation is in total disarray

By Jerry Rutledge
Leader Editor

Network news and newspaper accounts had pretty well prepared Spc. Timothy Callahan for the living conditions he would find in Somalia.

He expected to find a land with rampant starvation, where weapons of every description were wielded by people of virtually every age. A society where disorder was the only order. He wasn't disappointed.

Callahan, a Reno, Nev., native whose wife Tonda is the daughter of William and Mary Spradlin of Columbus, is a preventative medicine technologist with the Division of Preventative Medicine at the Institute of Research at Walter Reed Army Medical Center in Washington, D.C.

He was with a Problem Definition and Assessment Team that landed at Mogadishu eight days after the first U.S. Marines arrived in Somalia. A PDAT generally tries to catch a disease outbreak early on and prevent it from spreading.

"It was kind of rough seeing some of the stuff that went on," said Callahan, who spent 32 days in the African nation. "It makes you appreciate a lot of the things you take for granted here in America."

The Somalian situation is ready-made for epidemic, so Callahan's unit was deployed with the Marine expeditionary force out of a Marine base in California. They found a nation that's in a state of complete disarray.

"I realized there, after seeing all the stuff going on, that this was like Road Warriors," said Callahan, referring to the Mad Max movies starring Mel Gibson that were filmed in Australia during the early 1980s.

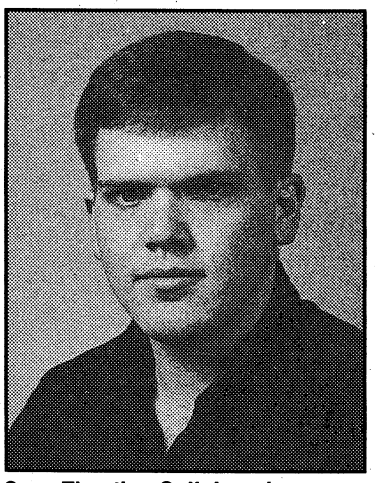
"One example is (an incident) where we were leaving the port in Mogadishu. A truck full of carrots and other vegetables were leaving with somebody driving and somebody on top to guard with nothing but big sticks," he said. "The crowd just mobbed it ... slowed it down, stopped it and started to pull things off of it while they were trying to beat them — not just adults, but all these kids — off.

"We got around it. There was nothing we could do — at the time we were just one vehicle with medical people. If somebody got shot, we might be able to help them, but it was better *we* didn't get shot. We got out of there. As we got about 50 yards down the road, we heard gunfire. Needless to say, we accelerated."

Callahan says much of what passed for modern civilization just two years ago simply doesn't exist anymore. No electricity, no running water, no law-and-order. Mogadishu, once a modern city, is only a shell of itself.

"You never left the embassy without flak jacket and kevlar (helmet). You always took them. They were needed," he said. "There was one fellow who they tried to stab on the truck and the flak jacket saved him."

Callahan found it disconcerting to see young kids — 10- to-12-years old — walking around brandishing large knives and totally unafraid to use them. "Just going down to the port was a serious effort because kids would try to pull stuff out of the truck or whatever," he said. "I couldn't give you a count on the number of sunglasses snatched off our faces. Bottled water, MREs (Meals Ready to Eat), whatever they could grab.



Spc. Timothy Callahan is a preventative medicine technologist at the Institute of Research in Washington, D.C.

"This is a country that's — over the past three years — slowly sold itself off to other countries for arms and food. There couldn't be over two miles of electrical wiring left in the country. We went into the (closed American) embassy and there was no pipe and no plumbing — they'd removed it." Callahan said his understanding was that the metal and wiring was sold as salvage, the money used for more guns or more food.

"It was kind of rough seeing some of the stuff that went on," said Callahan, who spent 32 days in the African nation before returning to the U.S. on Jan. 20. "It makes you appreciate a lot of the things you take for granted here in America, things like taking a shower and watching television. You realize there are a lot of people in the world who are a lot less fortunate than we are."

Callahan says while the United Nations effort may have been a touch tardy in coming, it was the effort needed at the time. "This is the same sort of situation that was showing up in Ethiopia a couple of years back," he said. "Because they had a government, we couldn't do anything about it. Now, here, we can. The only problem is, with no government, they are going through this historical cycle — break land, civil war, clan war, somebody wins, builds back into a nice place. Right now, they seem to be in the clan war cycle. The majority of people with any education or understanding to set up a government is either heading up the clan war or left the country."

He believes piece and civility will only come when someone emerges as a leader for the majority of the people.

'Restore Hope' by Timothy J. Callahan

In a land of despair,
A place of no hope
Drought's seven year lair.
As people tried to cope.
Battles were fought
Along lines of the clan,
Although they all thought
They came from one man.
The killing by shot
was sadly few
when compared to the lot
it forced children into.
The world looked on
and watched Africa's horn,
We prayed it would stop
Before more children were born.
But the end was not near
And children still starved;
They lived in great fear
and their faces looked carved,
And the world finally did
the deed needed to be done,
We can't save every kid
But we can't ignore a one.
So the forces combined
Lead by an eagle's head,
With a mission to be kind
and insure the kids are fed.
And did the troop exclaim
"This isn't what I do,
I'm trained to kill and maim!
But followed the orders thru.
With flair and speed they went
They secured mile on mile,
Chased by Ol' Clark Kent
collecting weapons by the pile;
The people couldn't understand
how a force so large,
could possibly enter their land
and not claim to be in charge.
Their "Generals" talked for peace
and tried to find a dawn,
The killing did not cease
the death toll drove right on.
When the troops did arrive
to each appointed place,
their objections took a dive
Seeing a starving face.
To feed them was the chore
and what they came to do
Not to fight a war
or end a bloody coo.
A child gave a troop her hand
in a death camp full of flies,
"I am here to save her land."
He thought with tears in his eyes.
Now the world must wait
and watch it like a soap,
Maybe we're not too late
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Engineers happy to 'help somebody'

By Clint Claybrook
Staff Writer

BENNING TROOPS IN SOMALIA

These are part of a series of periodic reports by Clint Claybrook, a Ledger-Enquirer military writer who is with Fort Benning troops in Somalia.

BAIDOA, Somalia — Operation Desert Storm — the Persian Gulf War — was the magnet that drew Pfc. Emmett Hall into the U.S. Army. His patriotism astir, he wanted to help his country stop that bad guy from Iraq.

So what if he missed his mark by a continent, an ocean and almost two years?

"If it helps somebody, go for it," Hall said of the Army's assistance with the United Nations' relief effort in the African nation of Somalia.

Hall joined the Army in 1990, hoping to make it to the Persian Gulf War and Iraq. Instead, Hall was shipped to Korea for a year.

"So I volunteered for the duty here in Somalia," Hall said. "It's about as close to Saudi Arabia as I'm going to get. I'll be getting about $320 in extra pay, so it's worth it."

Other soldiers in Hall's unit estimate he's overshooting his pay by about $100, but none doubt his motive for being here. Helping this poor, violence-racked country help itself is a very worthy mission.

Hall is one of dozens of soldiers who volunteered for deployment to Somalia, shoring up the force of engineers and heavy equipment operators that make up the Fort Benning-based 43rd Engineer Combat Battalion. The battalion is part of the 1,000-soldier contingent of the 36th Engineer Group deployed in this country torn by starvation and violence.

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The engineer battalion is grading, widening and rebuilding 800 miles of road in central-southern Somalia. Using huge bulldozers and other heavy equipment, the engineers of the 43rd are tearing into existing roadbeds four inches deep, then leveling, packing and widening the road surface.

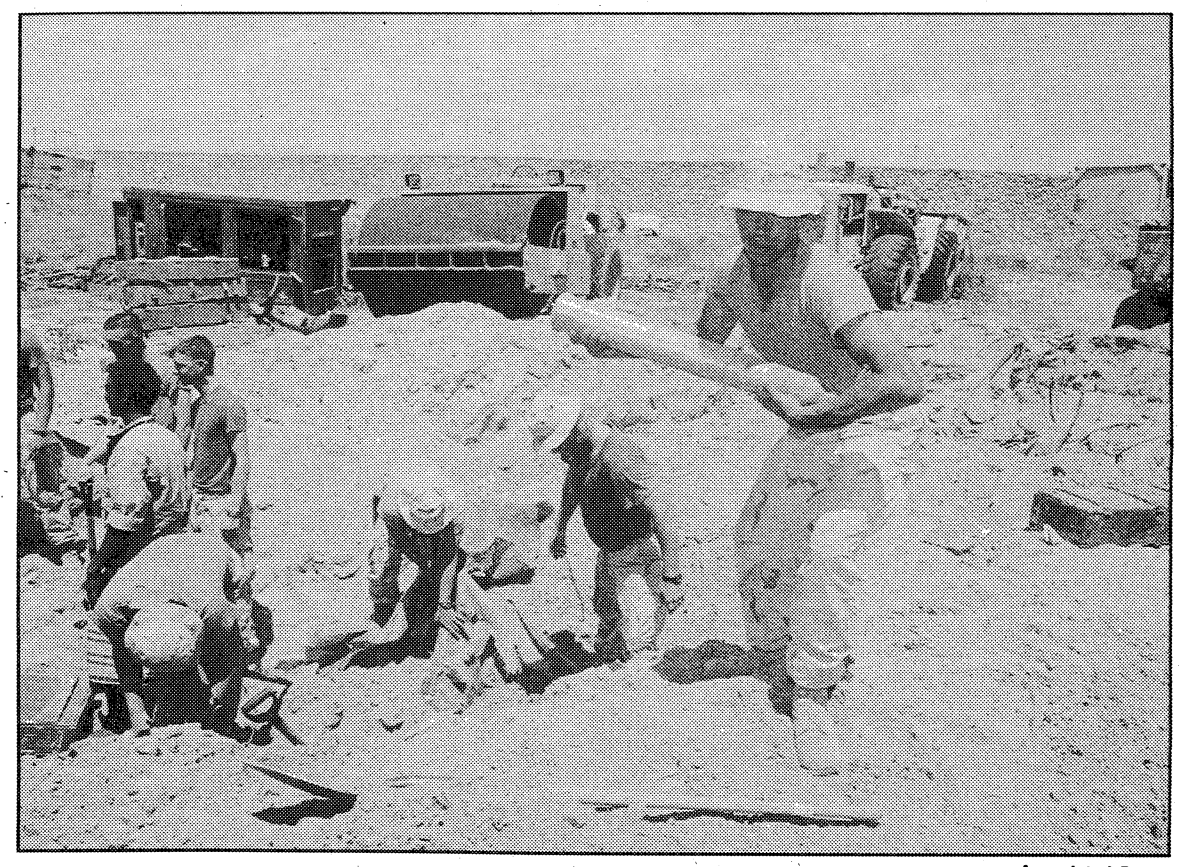
The battalion is working in conjunction with 533rd Transportation Co. and the 586th Engineer Co. during this part of its mission. The intent is to create serviceable, two-lane roads capable of handling 30-ton loads and 35 mph traffic. The battalion is headquartered in Baidoa, about 150 miles north-northwest of *Mogadishu*, home to the 36th Engineer Group.

The soldiers say the weather has been hot and dusty, with temperatures around 100 degrees, but four or five 15- to 20-minute rain showers have been a welcome relief and have helped compact the road surfaces.

The giant machines and the camouflaged workers with unfamiliar tools have drawn a lot of attention. Somalian kids and adults line the roads to watch the workers — and to scavenge through garbage dropped in piles along the roadsides. They look for scraps and MRE (Meals Ready to Eat) leftovers to eat.

An officer with the unit says the assignment is challenging for the 43rd, "especially since it is scheduled to go out of business next year."

The colors of the battalion are expected to be furled in 1994. The loss of the battalion will cost Fort Benning about 450 soldier slots. A new company of combat engineers is expected to replace the battalion.



Associated Press

A combined U.S. Marine and Army unit digs for munitions in a walled compound belonging to a Somali warlord in north Mogadishu Wednesday.

Ancient ways clash with modern

By Clint Claybrook
Staff Writer

BAIDOA, Somalia — The contrasts are amazing. The engineer/soldiers of the 36th Engineer Group at Fort Benning are getting stunning lessons in societal differences as they go about their work in the Waajid region of Somalia.

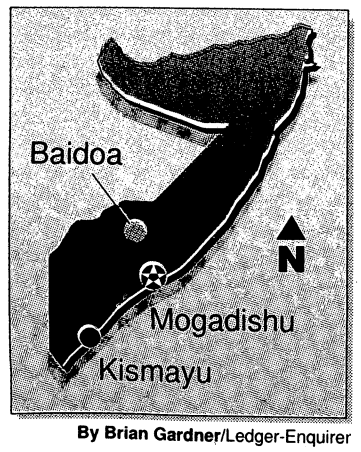
The Somalis are a nomadic people, wandering over great stretches of their usually hot, dry land in search of water and pasture for their herds. When these ancient ways run smack into the modern equipment, it is a contrast of magnificent proportions.

The soldiers get panoramic views of it every day. Their giant earthmovers, bulldozers and grading machines sometimes have to pull over to let nomad caravans, camels loaded up with a family's entire complement of possessions, stroll by, on their way to a new home site. Wherever that may be.

Somali men stage shoving matches over plastic jugs American soldiers are giving away at Waajid. The plastic jugs are apparently a very valuable commodity for the Somalians.

Capt. Bernardine Thomasson explains, "Jugs are a great way for the nomads to haul their water."

Somali children frolic in the well from which camels are drinking, while Somali elders are taking away water for their use at their little thatch-roofed huts at home.



By Brian Gardner/Ledger-Enquirer

Sgt. David Hubert says the thing that has surprised him the most is the "almost total degree of anarchy" that is evident here. He points out that Somali families are building little thatch-roofed huts from branches of trees covered with mud — while next door are perfectly good concrete houses.

People here say the huts and the abandonment of modern dwellings mark the return of the Somalis to their nomadic roots after the collapse of their government in 1990.

Roofs have been stripped off all of the (modern) houses, with the tin showing up on roofs of huts or poorly constructed shacks on the edge of town. In some cases, the mud huts have roofs of thatch covered by nylon tarpaulin, a strange juxtaposition of old and new.

Another symbol of contrast here are the utility poles marching off in a line into the desert — but with no wire. Electrical and communication wires have been stripped off the poles to be sold as salvage.

Rain has provided another surprise. It has rained for six days in a row in the Waajid region, a fact which has put the 36th Engineer Group well behind in some of its work and probably makes it necessary for other work to be re-done.

But Col. Philip Anderson, the commander of the 36th Engineer Group, said the rain has been somewhat of a mixed blessing. He said constructing culverts and building a crown in the road will make them last longer.

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Anderson said his soldiers have done work on about half of the 800 miles of road they have been building out of the donkey cart trails that had existed before they arrived.

This means the 36th's work should be close to completion in February and could make it possible for the unit's redeployment by the Feb. 28 target date.

But Anderson said, "New orders could be headed down the paper trail." So spouses and dependents should not circle any dates on the calendar just yet.

Soldiers say the biggest problems they have faced since deploying in Somalia has been the quality of the mail service and the poor PX (post exchange) service, a duty handled by the Marines. Letters are running weeks behind schedule.

It's gotten so bad Spc. Scott Sherman recently got a letter from his wife at Fort Benning, complaining that he hasn't written her in about three weeks. "That just isn't so," Sherman said. "I write her every day." Some soldiers are so angry over the problem they are writing their congressmen to complain about the poor mail delivery.

But there's no guarantee the congressmen will get the letters, either.

HEALTH

Soldiers exposed to radiation in gulf

By Jerry Rutledge
Leader Editor

Three soldiers who served with the 3rd Brigade, 24th Infantry Division, Mechanized, during Operation Desert Storm are among nearly three dozen soldiers being notified of possible exposure to radiation, an Army spokesman said last week.

Pete Esker, a spokesman with the Army Medical Department in Falls Church, Va., said the soldiers were exposed to radiation either through wounds or by handling vehicles damaged by depleted uranium fragments from exploded shells.

It was not revealed how the Fort Benning soldiers came into contact with the depleted uranium. Four soldiers from Fort Stewart in Hinesville were also exposed, as well as other soldiers who may have handled damaged vehicles. They, too, were connected to the 24th Infantry Division, Mechanized.

"No effects from radiation have been reported, but we do not have much experience with this," Esker said. "We want to be on the safe side, so we're notifying soldiers and advising them of the possibility. There really isn't a great health risk there."

Depleted uranium is a slightly radioactive material used to toughen armor-piercing rounds and the armor of some tanks. It ordinarily poses no health threat because it is covered by other material.

The 35 soldiers, scattered around the country and in Europe, will be given medical evaluations beginning in July-September and the Army will follow that up with periodic checkups. The Armed Forces Radiobiology Research Institute (AFRRI) will develop the protocol for the evaluation. Results from the medical evaluations will be provided to each soldier undergoing testing "no less frequently than once a year."

Esker said 25 of the soldiers are still in the military, with 10 having returned to civilian life.

"The delay in giving the physicals is because of the great distance and the need to find a central testing site," he said. "There are a couple soldiers we still need to locate and notify." Esker said he could not identify the soldiers because of the Privacy Act.

The General Accounting Office, in a draft report obtained by The Associated Press, said several dozen U.S. soldiers were exposed to radiation during Desert Storm, sometimes without their knowledge.

The exposure resulted from "friendly fire" rounds containing depleted uranium shells that penetrated Bradley fighting vehicles and Abrams M-1 tanks.

It is unclear how the three Fort Benning soldiers were exposed to the depleted uranium. The Army report said 15 Bradleys and 14 Abrams were contaminated in the Persian Gulf War.

The Army Medical Department said that when armored vehicles are penetrated by a depleted uranium round, the compound converts into a form which the body can absorb if eaten or inhaled.

When the depleted uranium burns in a fire, it converts to a form which the body cannot absorb readily. Accidental fires in tanks also caused radiation exposure and soldiers who disposed of contaminated vehicles also may have been exposed.

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Maintenance personnel from Fort Stewart's 24th Infantry Division, Mechanized, were exposed when they recovered two destroyed Bradley fighting vehicles, the report said.

Twenty-seven New Jersey Army National Guard soldiers were unknowingly exposed when checking vehicles for damage and preparing them for shipment, the report said. At least a dozen of them received radiological testing and were told the results were negative, the GAO said.

Army and Nuclear Regulatory Commission officials believe the doses did not exceed NRC limits, but both agencies agreed that health risks from low-level exposure is not clearly understood, the report said.

Depleted uranium is about half as radioactive as natural uranium, which is found in small quantities in the soil everywhere.

Experts: 'No cause for alarm' over cellular phones

From wire reports

WASHINGTON — More research needs to be done on the possibility of a link between cellular phones and cancer, but there's no cause for alarm in the meantime, experts told a congressional panel Tuesday.

There is virtually no likelihood that radio waves from cellular phones cause cancer, though some studies indicate they may accelerate existing cancer growth, said Dr. Mays Swycord of the Food and Drug Administration.

He and others who spoke to the House Energy and Commerce telecommunications subcommittee said no research focuses specifically on the relationship between cellular phones on the market today and cancer in humans.

"There is no cause for general alarm," said Swycord. But he said the scientific database on the effects of microwaves is so small it "begs for further study."

Government and industry view any device that use less than .7 watts of power as safe, and cellular phones operate on only .63 watts, said Dr. Thomas Stanley of the Federal Communications Commission.

But he said the FCC relies on manufacturer information about their phones and does not routinely check them.

The phones that have raised public concern are the free-standing, hand-held devices with antennas close to a user's head.

David Reynard of St. Petersburg, Fla., has charged in a lawsuit against NEC America and GTE Mobilnet of Tampa that his wife died of a brain tumor that developed near the spot where her phone antenna was located during a typical use.

Car phones with antennas mounted outside the auto carry no risk, the experts said. Neither do the common, cordless phones that rest in a base wired into residential phone lines.

Reynard said that his wife used her cellular phone frequently for extended periods of time.

"Shorter exposure is always better," said Dr. David Klefman of the Environmental Protection Agency. "We say people don't need to stay two hours on a cellular phone."

Swycord said the FDA should have an update on what is known about the health effects of cellular phones in a few days.

Klefman said the EPA will have a workshop in April on radio frequencies and will have data available by the end of the year.

Dr. Richard Adamson of the National Cancer Institute said a major study should be ready in about three years on cancer risk and many workplace conditions, including the effects of radio waves of varying levels.

Meanwhile, Adamson said people can take comfort in the fact that the brain cancer rate is decreasing among people under age 65.

He said that an estimated 500,000 people will die of cancer this year, but only 11,800 of those deaths will be from cancer of the brain and nervous system.

'It's silly for us to panic," said Adamson.

Klefman advised that diet, smoking and alcohol consumption have much more to do with whether someone is at risk of cancer than cellular phones.

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COVER STORY

An Apache helicopter prepares to lay down fire during CALFEX.

An Air Force fighter jet roars overhead providing cover fire.

CALFEX touts awesome firepower

By Jerry Rutledge
Leader Editor

The show, in itself, was an impressive display of an array of modern military might:

■ Two Air Force F16 jets dropping 500-pound Mark-82 bombs on an enemy objective.

■ Apache attack helicopters firing Hellfire antitank missiles at an opposing force.

■ M1 Abrams tanks and Bradley fighting vehicles and derivatives, displaying impressive mobility and precision firepower.

■ Army snipers demonstrating dead-eye accuracy in knocking out a target so far down-range it was barely recognizable with the naked eye.

"The biggest challenge, quite frankly, is synchronizing the date to get all the different component units to come together," said Lt. Col. Bob Leon, who coordinated the CALFEX.

Yes, it was all quite a spectacle. But it was a spectacle heavily weighted in practical training value for the soldiers involved and advanced students observing a Combined Arms Live Fire Exercise (CALFEX) at Cactus Observation Point on Fort Benning last week. Officer students from Maxwell Air Force Base in Montgomery, Ala., were bused in to view the exercise.

The 29th Infantry Regiment, with a little help from friends in other units, put together an exercise that impressively demonstrated the effectiveness of multi-service military firepower when expertly synchronized on a common objective.

"The units that come together during a CALFEX represent a whole lot of different organizations on post," said Lt. Col. Bob Leon, commander of the 1st Battalion, 29th Infantry Regiment, who coordinated the CALFEX. "The biggest challenge, quite frankly, is synchronizing the date to get all the different component units to come together."

A variety of Fort Benning and regional units participated in the exercise. The Apache helicopters came from Fort Rucker, near Ozark, Ala. The tanks and engineers came from the 3rd Brigade, 24th Infantry Division at Benning ("They are always on a busy schedule and are frequently deployed from home station," said Leon.) The various Bradleys, of course, were from the 29th.

Leon said the joint service aspect added additional challenge to the planning. The F-16s came from the 308th Fighter Squadron of the 347th Fighter Wing based at Moody Air Force Base in Valdosta, Ga.

"When you are going joint service, the aviation assets from the Air Force also have to be de-conflicted," he said. "It's a challenge, frankly, getting all the different components all lined up for that same week so you can begin what is basically an intense training program that begins on that Monday and culminates in the CALFEX can going off on Thursday."

Leon said that outside of the personnel involved in the operational phase of the CALFEX, there are staff officers who put in hundreds of man-hours months in advance of the event lining up all the assets it requires — the range facility and the ammunition, as well as the units that are going to come together to execute one of those.

"Once you get all the people on the ground there, it really falls together very, very quickly," he said. Leon also said that the dress rehearsals for the CALFEX themselves have become training events for other units who might otherwise not get a chance to attend. "Which also obviously gives us a bigger training payoff," he said.

Col. Gregory Camp, regimental commander of the 29th, said the CALFEX has a great deal of practical value for the advanced soldier. CALFEX is an effective teaching tool for officers in the Infantry Officers Advanced Course. "From my point of view, I think they (advanced cadets) get an appreciation for the effects of the combined arms team when its done properly," Camp said. "Fifty percent of these folks will come from units which do not have some of the heavy vehicles and heavy weapons that we were demonstrating for them. And so for them, I think, it is a real eye-opener. They see firepower that they are just not used to in the light units."

A Bradley Fighting Vehicle puts up a smoke screen to keep from being hit.

Photos by Joe Maher

ISSUES

Services begin adjusting to gay policy

General urges his Marines to not quit

From wire reports

WASHINGTON — The head of the Marine Corps urged his troops to "remain on watch" and not quit over the issue of homosexuals while three other services ordered recruiters to stop asking applicants their sexual status, officials said Tuesday.

While the Army, Navy and Air Force began their adjustment, no matter how uneasy, to President Clinton's new policy, the Marines said they would wait for official instructions before issuing orders to their recruiters. None of the changes were publicly announced.

Last Friday, Clinton temporarily suspended the formal discharge of homosexuals from the military and announced that new recruits would no longer be asked if they are homosexuals. Clinton ordered the Defense Department to produce a draft executive order by July 15 that would formally end the ban on gays.

Defense Secretary Les Aspin has not yet implemented Clinton's interim policy, but spokesman Bob Hall said Tuesday he expected Aspin to act by the end of the week.

"At this point I don't know what will be in those particular instructions," beyond telling recruiters not to ask applicants about their sexual status and suspending the permanent discharge of troops found to be homosexual, Hall said.

Also on Capitol Hill Tuesday, a man who says he was beaten by Marines in a gay bar in Wilmington, N.C., last weekend visited congressional offices saying such incidents are bound to continue "until the government does something to protect gay Americans."

Gen. Carl E. Mundy, the Marine Corps commandant, wrote that if gays eventually are permitted to serve openly in the military, they would be held to "standards of good order and discipline" and "standards of public behavior expected of Marines on or off duty."

Crae Pridgen, who contends he was attacked by men protesting Clinton's proposed policy, also said he would ask the White House for a meeting with the president.

The chiefs of the four armed services, plus Gen. Colin Powell, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, strongly oppose Clinton's intention to permit gays to serve openly, but they are taking the first steps to conform with Clinton's changes.

In a message sent last Friday night, Gen. Carl E. Mundy, the Marine Corps commandant, urged his forces to put their allegiance to the corps above their personal feelings and to remain in the service no matter how they feel about the gay issue.

"It is not characteristic of Marines to quit their posts, either under fire or when things are not to their liking," Mundy wrote in his message for all Marines. "Those of you whose pride in the corps, sense of duty, honor and personal moral values run so deep are exactly the ones needed to remain on watch to provide a steady hand."

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"As in the past, all individuals who enter the military must be prepared to accept necessary restrictions on behavior, many of which would be intolerable in civilian society," Mundy wrote. He seemed to be referring to military rules that prohibit fraternization, including the public holding of hands.

A Marine Corps spokesman, Capt. Steve Manuel, said corps recruiters will continue to ask applicants about their sexual orientation until Aspin issues his regulations putting Clinton's interim changes into effect.

The Army, Navy and Air Force said they already have ordered recruiters to stop asking the question, officials said.

"We've told our folks, stop asking, don't wait for the paperwork," said Commander Stephen Pietropaoli.

Capt. Bill Buckner, an Army spokesman, said the head of the Army recruiting command, Maj. Gen. Jack Wheeler, issued the order to stop asking the sexual status question.

Buckner said Wheeler also determined that if an applicant volunteered to a recruiter that he or she is homosexual, the applicant would not be allowed to enter the service. The applicant would be "placed in a temporarily disqualified status," which Buckner said meant the applicant would not be allowed to enter the service but would be contacted again after a permanent policy is implemented.

Senate Republicans back off legislative challenge on gay issue

From wire reports

WASHINGTON — Senate Republicans backed away Tuesday from a move to write permanently into law the 50-year-old ban of homosexuals in the military but still planned a legislative challenge to President Clinton on the issue.

"Codification (into law) does not seem to be the most attractive thing," Sen. Alan Simpson of Wyoming, the No. 2 Republican in the Senate, said following the weekly GOP policy luncheon.

Republicans worked all day on a proposal that would ensure preservation of the existing ban for six months, pending the outcome of congressional hearings and Clinton's mid-July timetable for a new executive order.

A GOP staffer, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said the GOP was near agreement but wanted to make one last check with senators. A final announcement wasn't expected until Wednesday.

Republicans appeared unified last week, vowing to attach an amendment to the family and medical leave bill that would codify the ban. They promised quick action in response to Clinton's proposed relaxation of the moratorium.

But divisions in the GOP ranks surfaced as they put off any action Tuesday.

"It was never a total effort of the party. It was members of our party," Simpson said of the push to write the ban into law.

Senate Minority Leader Bob Dole, R-Kan., announced on the Senate floor that the GOP would take no action on Tuesday, as Republicans met behind closed doors to work on a measure. The GOP planned a challenge either Wednesday or Thursday.

The GOP hoped the Democrats would agree to consider the issue and vote on it as a free-standing piece of legislation. If not, Republicans planned to offer an amendment to the family and medical leave bill.

Disagreement centered on the language in the measure as well as GOP concerns that they would be perceived as delaying the family leave bill, which has bipartisan support.

"I don't want anybody to have the idea that we might be holding up the family leave bill. Though, I wouldn't mind doing that," said Dole, an opponent of the family and medical leave legislation the Senate considered Tuesday.

Some Republicans favored a military-gays measure leaving the current ban in place for six months, while the Senate conducts hearings on the issue. Others preferred legislation that adopts Clinton's recent changes while awaiting the hearings' outcome.

The GOP also was considering language in the legislation saying that the final policy be put in place by Congress and not an executive order.

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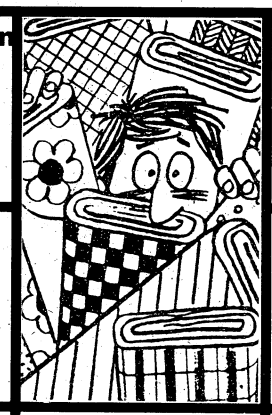
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Military moving to end ban on abortions

From wire reports

WASHINGTON — Pentagon medical officials, moving swiftly to implement President Clinton's order allowing abortions at military hospitals, are seeking guidance from Planned Parenthood.

Defense Department officials asked for the group's guidelines on abortions, patient preparation, caring for women afterward and their requirements for doctors, according to a Planned Parenthood spokeswoman.

Servicewomen and female dependents of service members will be eligible for the abortions, at their own expense. But it's unclear whether the abortions will be available at military medical facilities in the United States, or just those overseas.

"It would be ironic that women overseas have better access to services than women here in America," said Sally Patterson, vice president for public affairs at the Planned Parenthood Federation of America.

On Jan. 22, his third day in office, Clinton lifted the ban on privately funded abortions at military medical facilities.

The Pentagon should have guidance ready for the services "in the very near future" — days or weeks, public affairs officer Susan Hansen said last week.

Military doctors don't have a lot of recent experience with abortion, and Capt. Perry Bishop of the Navy's Bureau of Medicine said some physicians may have to go through extra training to perform abortions.

Whatever is decided, a woman would have to pay for the abortion herself. Federal funding of abortions is barred by U.S. law except in cases where the life of the woman is endangered; a reversal of that ban would take congressional action.

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"It depends on their skill level and credentialing at this point at time," he said.

No one knows how many women might seek abortions at military hospitals once they are made available. Estimates of the number of military abortions performed shortly before the ban went into effect in 1987-1988 range from 12 to 15 a year to about 50 or more. About 1.6 million abortions are performed annually in the United States.

"There wasn't much of a demand, but what my staff and I discovered was that there were women having to resort to back-alley abortions in countries where abortion was illegal," said former Rep. Les AuCoin, D-Ore., who for three years tried to do legislatively what Clinton did by executive order.

"We ran into instances where those abortions were botched and then the women victims would then come to the military hospitals and be treated for the damage caused by the butchers in the alley," he said.

In some cases, AuCoin said, the woman was flown back to the United States at government expense to have an abortion. He said that "involves taxpayer money aiding and abetting abortion itself."

Kate Michelman, president of the National Abortion Rights Action League, said Clinton's action "ends discrimination against military dependents and women in the military."

She cited a case last year in which NARAL helped a Navy wife in Virginia obtain an abortion after she was diagnosed with a malignant brain tumor. Her doctors prescribed radiation and chemotherapy but wouldn't administer it because she was pregnant, Michelman said.

But they were barred from performing an abortion in a military hospital, and the outside clinic they sent her to refused to do one because of her medical condition.

"Here's a woman whose life and health were in danger and they could not get an abortion," Michelman said. "This is unbelievable."

Douglas Johnson, legislative director of the National Right to Life Committee, an anti-abortion organization, said Clinton's order "forces military hospitals to serve as abortion mills and there will be loss of life."

He said there was some confusion about the "relevant (Defense Department) policies and procedures" referred to in the order.

"The services in the '70s only allowed third-trimester abortions in fairly well-defined circumstances," he said, and it was not clear whether that policy would be reinstituted.

Johnson also cited past conscience clauses that said doctors and nurses did not have to perform abortions if they did not want to.

"We hope that those will be maintained," he said.

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Dental Health Fair offers fun and games

From staff reports

Children and parents are invited to the Dental Health Fair to be held from noon to 4 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 13, at Peachtree Mall.

The fair will feature clowns, puppet shows, a magician, balloons and prizes. There will be free exams for children under 13 *and table clinics on dentistry.*

The Fort Benning Dental Activity personnel will present puppet shows, and the Western District Dental Society will have table clinics.

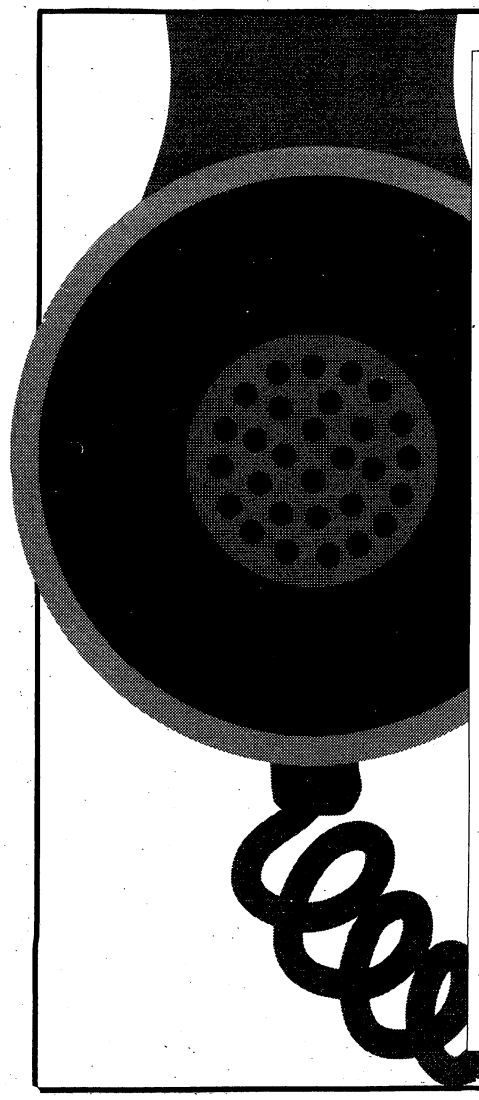
The district dental hygienist will have a tooth fair, help with the games, and have drawings for prizes.

The district dental assistants will have clowns and will give away balloons and gifts.

The Columbus College dental hygiene students will be dressed in costumes and will entertain the children.

The Muscogee County Public Health Department will have coloring books and face paints.

The dentist in the 3299th U.S. Army Reserve Dental Service Detachment will perform dental [illegible]minations.



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Art show and sale coming up

From staff reports

The Columbus Museum Guild's Flying Colors Art Show and Sale begins Feb. 13 at the museum, 1251 Wynnton Road.

Featuring 95 national, regional and local artists, the biennial fund-raiser will run through Feb. 20. All proceeds will be used by the Guild to benefit the museum and its programs.

The show includes paintings, sculptures and prints, and offers a variety of techniques, sizes and prices. More than 75 artists were represented in the last Flying Colors show.

The week-long event will feature a number of programs including "Lunch and Lectures," a cartoonist and entertainment.

"We are extremely excited that a couple of nationally known artists, Dorothy Dierks Harris and George Cress, will be represented," said Flying Colors chairman Claude Scarbrough. "We are waiting to hear from a number of others and I think people will be very impressed with the collector-quality art work that we will be offering to them."

Some Flying Colors facts and figures:

- The invitational art show and sale features 95 local, regional and national artists.
- It will be in the museum's Turner Galleria and Wright Community Room.
- Paintings of all media (watercolor, oil, acrylic, collage, etc.) and sculpture.
- Prices begin at $50.
- Activities include pianist Ruth Schuessler Feb. 14; mime Mary Ann Smith Feb. 16; "Lunch and Lecture" about Columbus artist Alma Thomas Feb. 18; harmonica player Matthew Shelton Feb. 19.

Hours for the show and sale are 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Feb. 13 and Feb. 16-20; and 1-5 p.m. Feb. 14.

Admission is free. Prices for works begin at $50. For more information, call 649-0713.

At the movies

Listings for Feb. 5-11

TODAY

Jennifer 8 (R) 7 p.m., Sand Hill

The Distinguished Gentlemen (R) 7 p.m., Main Post

Passenger 57 (R) 9 p.m., Main Post

SATURDAY

Mr. Saturday Night (R) 2 p.m., Sand Hill

The Mighty Ducks (PG) 2 p.m., Main Post

Jennifer 8 (R) 6:30 p.m., Sand Hill

Toys (PG-13) 7 p.m., Main Post

Traces of Red (R) 9 p.m., Main Post

SUNDAY

Zebra Head (R) 2 p.m., Sand Hill

The Mighty Ducks (PG) 2 p.m., Main Post

Candyman (R) 4 p.m., Sand Hill

The Last of the Mohicans (R) 7 p.m., Main Post

MONDAY

Toys (PG-13) 7 p.m., Main Post

TUESDAY

Traces of Red (R) 7 p.m., Main Post

WEDNESDAY

Toys (PG-13) 7 p.m., Main Post

THURSDAY

The Last of the Mohicans (R) 7 p.m., Main Post

Springer's 'Inherit the Wind' held over for two more shows

From staff reports

The Springer Opera House announces a hold over for the Main Stage production of "Inherit the Wind" and auditions for the next Main Stage production of "Smoke on the Mountain."

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A third weekend of performances of "Inherit the Wind" have been added to the schedule, says artistic director Paul R. Pierce. Additional shows will be Feb. 12-13 at 8 p.m.

"Audience response for 'Inherit the Wind' has been fabulous," said Pierce. "We've got a very strong show and it's certainly gratifying to hold over a production that is neither a musical or a comedy. These audiences have been on the edges of their seats so I think it's safe to say we've done something special with this one."

The play, written by Jerome Lawrence and Robert E. Lee, dramatizes the famous "Scopes Monkey Trial" in Dayton, Tenn., in 1925. The trial pitted three-time presidential candidate William Jennings Bryan against America's most-feared trial lawyer, Clarence Darrow in a fight over the Tennessee law against the teaching of evolution science in the classroom.

Tickets are $12; $10 for senior adults and $7 for students. Group rates are available. For reservations, call 327-3688.

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Just before Easter, the Springer Opera House will present a brand-new Broadway musical set in the Deep South with an exuberant bluegrass gospel score — "Smoke on the Mountain," by Constance Ray and Alan Bailey.

Artistic director Paul R. Pierce will hold auditions for the show Monday and Tuesday at 7 p.m. on Main Stage. Monday will be vocal and instrumental auditions. Some, but not all, actors will need to play musical instruments. Tuesday will be reading auditions.

All actors/musicians should call 324-1100 to set up an audition time. Each actor will have five minutes to sing or sing and play a song of his choice. Those who will not accompany themselves should bring sheet music in their key or cassette taped accompaniment. A pianist will be provided.

Bluegrass, country or gospel music are recommended, but not required.

All of the actors who audition on Monday will then return Tuesday night to read selections from the script.

The show is set in 1938 at the Mount Pleasant Baptist Church in rural North Carolina.

"Smoke on the Mountain" has seven characters — Melvin Oglethorpe, the pastor; Burl, the father; Vera, the mother; Stanley, the uncle; Dennis and Denise, the twins and June, the daughter.

The play dates are March 25-28 and April 1-3.

For more information, call Springer production manager Roger Mays at 324-5714.

West Point dinner to be held March 6

The 1993 West Point Founder's Day Dinner will be held Saturday, March 6, at the Fort Benning Officer's Club with cocktail hour commencing at 6 p.m.

Brig. Gen. Galloway, dean of the academy's academic board, will be the guest speaker. All West Point graduates, friends of the academy and spouses of deployed graduates are asked to reserve dates on their calendar.

For more information, contact Maj. Vince Curasi at 544-6875.

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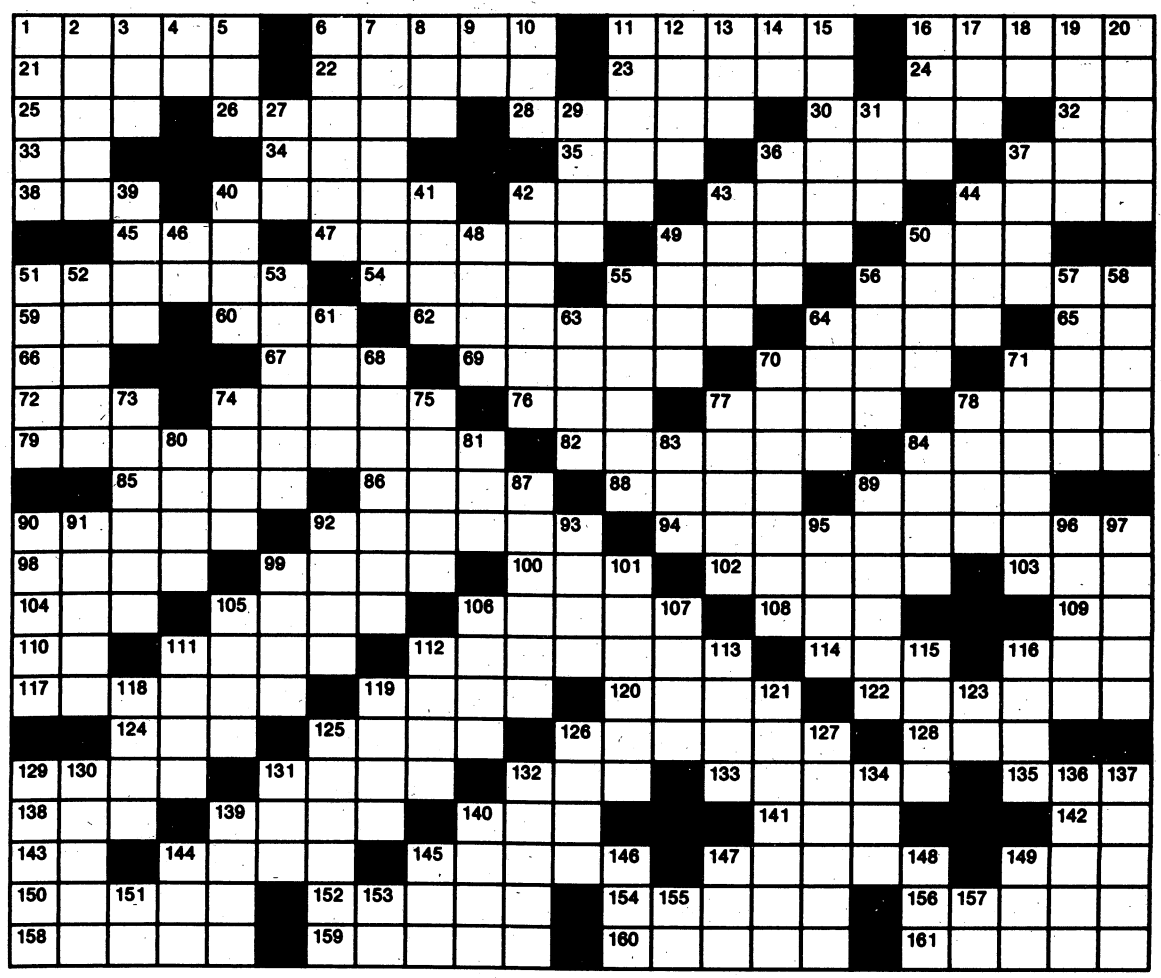

Crossword puzzle answer on Page 13

ACROSS

1 Less cooked
6 Clutch
11 Winter vehicles
16 Dim
21 Angry
22 More impolite
23 Boundary
24 Performer
25 Condensed moisture
26 Lounge instrument
28 "The Wonder —"
30 Leave out
32 Win — a nose
33 — garde
34 Noise
35 Inlet
36 Winglike
37 Legal matter
38 Mournful
40 Sudden fright
42 Kurosawa film
43 Single item
44 Tip
45 Metric measure
47 Traps
49 Hurried
50 Torrid
51 Noel —
54 Develop
55 Arab lateen-rigged vessel
56 Stately; formal
59 Possess
60 Danson or Turner
62 Grand Central —
64 Pull the — over the eyes
65 Faroe Islands whirlwind
66 Article
67 On behalf of
69 Expunge
70 Ravelings
71 Nod
72 Deposit
74 Surfeits
76 Plunge
77 Tolled
78 Sculptured likeness
79 Doctor's services
82 Ambassador
84 Partners
85 Wild plum
86 Entrance
88 Crippled
89 Leather strap
90 Bar legally
92 Happening in the spring
94 Separations; divisions
98 Butter in India
99 Standard
100 Drunkard
102 Big
103 Unused
104 Deity
105 Suits
106 Frighten
108 Haul with effort
109 You and I
110 Teutonic deity
111 "Three Blind —"
112 Neil — of song
114 Conger
116 The — Gees
117 Analyze
119 Narrate
120 Poems
122 Outcome
124 Beverage
125 Spiritless
126 Surprise outcomes
128 — rummy
129 Recreation area
131 Old name for Thailand
132 Those holding office
133 Iron
135 Diocese
138 Supply with a weapon
139 — Domino
140 Temporary bed
141 Frozen water
142 Note of scale
143 Negative
144 Doom
145 Engine
147 Jet forth
149 Dog tail motion
150 Chemical compound
152 Lasso
154 Mohammedan noble
156 Join
158 Take hold of
159 Shoe bottoms
160 Plague
161 River in Africa

DOWN

1 "Destry — Again"
2 Omni, for one
3 Uncooked
4 Latin conjunction
5 Corded cloth
6 Particles of sand
7 "Some Came —"
8 Bother
9 Compass point
10 Lift with lever
11 Killed
12 Italian currency
13 River in Germany
14 UK Princess
15 Impassive
16 Comely
17 Perform
18 "Tag" player
19 — Peace Prize
20 Secret meeting
27 Mountain on Crete
29 Periods of time
31 Small rug
36 Again
37 Ceremony
39 "Each — I Die"
40 Saucy
41 Vehicles
42 Requite
43 "— — the Roof"
44 Fee
46 Sun god
48 Repetition
49 Footwear
50 Owl cry
51 — guard
52 Proprietor
53 Malign
55 Dissipate
56 Lay
57 Bullwinkle, for one
58 Efts
61 Lavish fondness on
63 Shadow closely
64 Alcoholic beverage
68 Delivers; transmits
70 To the side
71 Small knob
73 Tried
74 Halt
75 Atmospheric disturbance
77 Having branches
78 South Pacific island
80 Medicinal plant
81 Offspring
83 Opening
84 Apportion
87 Scamp
89 Larger
90 Urged
91 Dinah of song
92 Ballot
93 Clayey earth
95 Exact
96 Stair post
97 Saccharine
99 Keen
101 Bodies of soldiers
105 Monetary penalty
106 "— Stockings"
107 Finishes
111 Dairy product
112 Judge
113 Profound
115 Limbs
116 Hot cross —
118 Cultivated land
119 Afternoon parties
121 Bill Murray film
123 Yes: Sp.
125 Bishops' hats
126 Old preposition
127 Safe
129 Sheets of glass
130 Got up
131 Posed for portrait
132 Jots
134 Indian weight
136 Make happy
137 Ardent
139 — -thee-well
140 Animal enclosure
144 Turkish hat
145 — de mer
146 Informer
147 Ocean
148 Cask
149 Hairpiece
151 Agave plant
153 Maiden loved by Zeus
155 Myself
157 Nickel symbol

Universities to square off in theater competition

From staff reports

AUBURN — Theater groups from six universities will compete at Auburn University's Telfair Peet Theater Feb. 10-13 during the regional competition for the 1993 American College Theater Festival.

The winners will advance to the 25-year-old national finals at the Kennedy Center in Washington D.C. in April.

AU Theater Professor William York is chairman of the festival's region IV, which includes 10 Southern and Eastern states, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands.

Schools which will take part in the Auburn competition, and their productions are Catawba (N.C.) College, "Blessed Assurance"; University of South Carolina at Aiken, "Hotline"; Clemson University, "The Rapid Decline of Billy Ray Bouton"; University of Alabama, "Killing Mother"; Virginia Polytechnic Institute, "Fences"; and Birmimgham-Southern College, "Immigrant."

More than 600 people associated with the competition are expected to be in Auburn for all or part of the four-day event.

The regional and national festivals will include workshops on playwriting, design portfolio, criticism and breaking into New York theater.

Roy Steinberg, producer of the soap opera "The Guiding Light," will present a workshop on "The World of Daytime Drama: Writing, Directing and Acting for the Camera." The workshop is scheduled for Feb. 12 at 3 p.m.

There will also be a competition for Irene Ryan Acting Scholarships, established in 1972 by the late actress who played Granny on the 1960s TV comedy series "The Beverly Hillbillies."

Play competition opens Feb. 11 with Birmingham-Southern's presentation of "The Immigrant" at 12:30 p.m. The second production will be Virginia Polytechnic Institute's "Fences" on Feb. 11 at 9 p.m.

Alabama will stage "Killing Mother" at 12:30 p.m. on Feb. 12, while Catawba will present "Blessed Assurance" on the same day at 9 p.m.

On Feb. 13, South Carolina-Aiken will present "Hotline" at 12:30 p.m., and Clemson University will stage "The Rapid Decline of Billy Ray Bouton" at 9 p.m.

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Artist leaves a lasting impression

Builds a sculpture for Dexter School

By Linda Bosley Dailey
Staff Writer

Dexter School students will have a reminder of site sculptor Jeff Mather's visit to their school long after the artist concludes his program.

For the past three weeks, Mather has worked with students to design and build a sculpture that will permanently adorn the school's courtyard. The sculpture will be unveiled during a ceremony at 1:45 p.m. today, the last day of Mather's tenure as artist-in-residence.

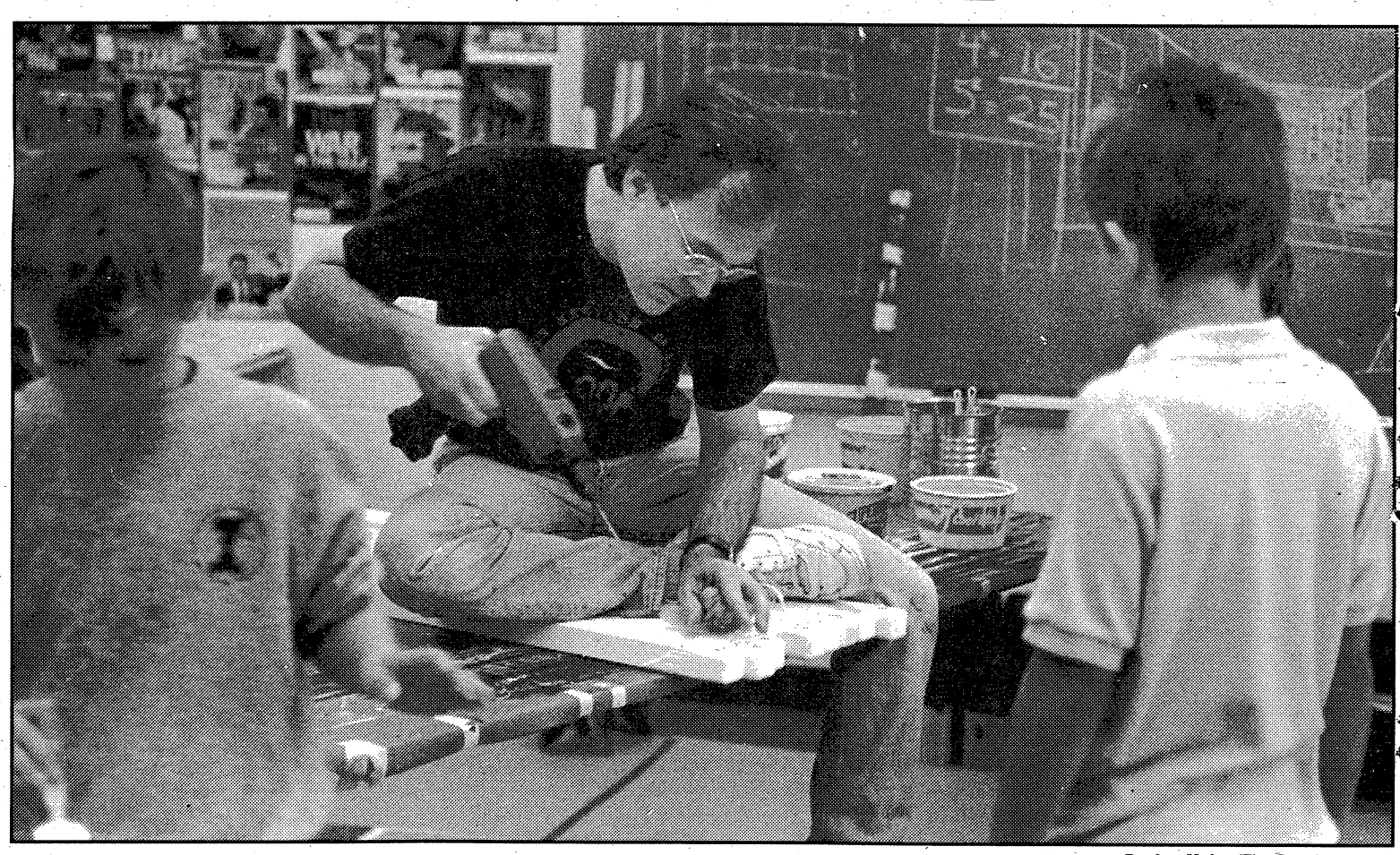
Site sculptors work more like architects than like studio artists, Mather said. They conceive, design and construct a sculpture at its permanent site, rather than in a studio, so that the "layers of meaning of that site" can be incorporated into the work's message, he said.

The "very architectural" work for Dexter's courtyard, is made of wooden posts and boards of varying heights and lengths, and is designed to invite students to walk through and around the sculpture, Mather said.

Mather has worked with all students at Dexter, but has employed pupils in the third through fifth grades to help design and build the sculpture. Students have not only drawn their ideas on paper but also have used the computer and graphics programs to illustrate their suggestions.

The Dexter pupils are the first of Mather's students to use a computer to design a project, he said. Using the computer in the design has worked so well that he would like to employ one for other projects with students in schools around the state.

Mather has worked with the Georgia Council for the Arts' artist-in-residence program for two years. His own works have been featured in several temporary exhibits in Atlanta within the last eight years. He also directs projects at the Center of Puppetry Arts in Atlanta.



By Joe Maher/The Benning Leader

Artist-in-residence Jeff Mather works on a sculpture for the courtyard at Dexter School.

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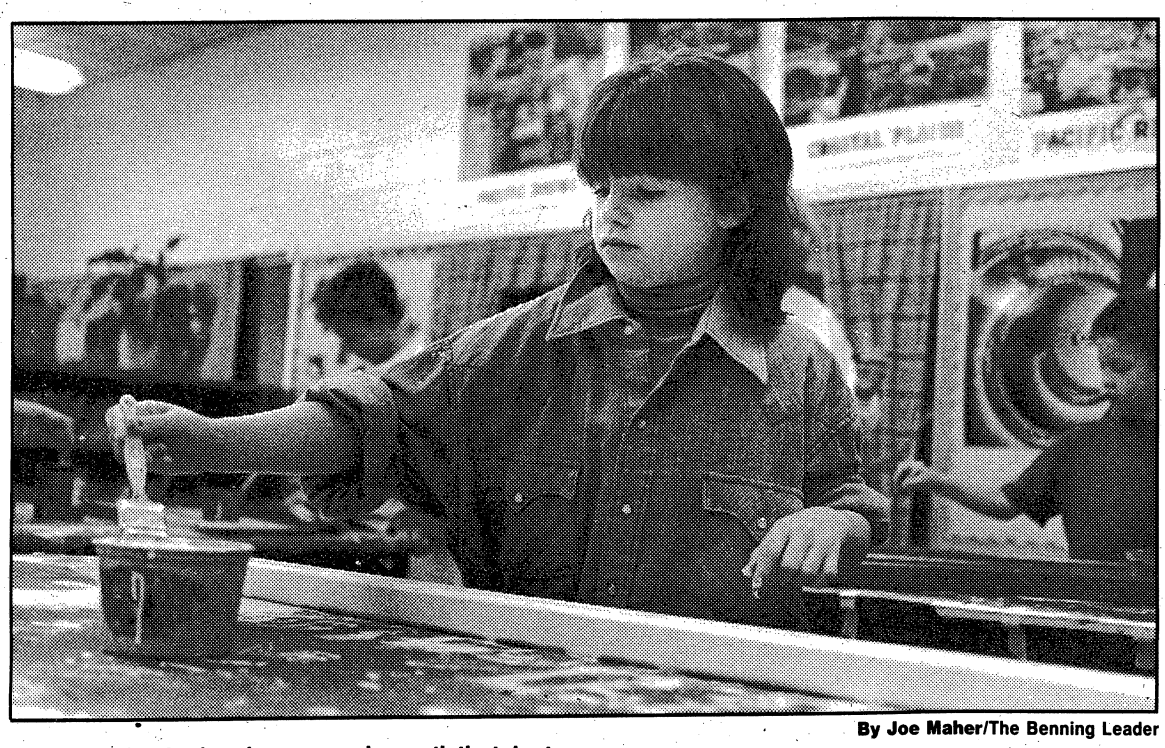

By Joe Maher/The Benning Leader

Hanna McCarthy brushes up on her artistic talents.

By Joe Maher/The Benning Leader

Shelby Miller puts finishing touches on a piece of the sculpture.

Tuskegee could get new interchange

Study indicates need due to hospital traffic

By Linda Bosley Dailey
Staff Writer

Alabama and federal highway officials are studying whether to build a new interchange on Interstate 85 near Tuskegee that could improve access to the Tuskegee Veterans Affairs Medical Center, the city and Tuskegee University.

An interchange at County Road 65 in Macon County is necessary, according to a recently completed study by the Alabama Highway Department.

"The proposed interchange is needed based on the anticipated growth of patient load at the Veterans Administration Hospital and the anticipated development of the study area," the report said. "The existing interchanges and local roads will not be able to accommodate the volumes anticipated without improvements."

"I think it's badly needed," Medical Center Director Jimmie Clay said of the proposed interchange. Clay worked for more than four years to get the study done, and even got the Department of Veterans Affairs to pay for the $25,000 study.

The number of outpatient visits to the hospital has increased between 12 and 14 percent each year for the last several years, from 62,000 visits in fiscal 1989 to 81,900 in fiscal 1992, Clay said.

In addition, 1,360 employees and 1,200 volunteers travel to and from the hospital daily, as do visitors coming to see the patients occupying the center's more than 700 hospital and nursing home beds, Clay said.

The new interchange also would enable the VA Medical Center to better serve the community, Clay said. Although it is a veteran's facility, it is the only hospital in Macon County and, thus, is called upon to provide treatment in emergencies.

"We do get emergency cases all the time from within the city and the county," Clay said. Currently, the hospital is isolated and access to it is difficult, he said.

The number of outpatient visits to the veterans hospital has increased between 12 and 14 percent each year for the last several years, from 62,000 visits in fiscal 1989 to 81,900 in fiscal 1992, Medical Center Director Jimmie Clay said.

Currently, traffic has to leave the interstate at one of two interchanges — one of which is northeast and the other southwest of the proposed ramps' location — and go through town to reach the hospital. The proposed interchange would eliminate the travel through the city and reduce traffic congestion there, the report said.

Traffic has grown at a more rapid pace than was predicted in a 1975 study of this site, said Jimmy Deas, preliminary design engineer with the Alabama Highway Department's Design Bureau. Traffic has increased an average 67.5 percent above what was estimated in the earlier study, he said. Construction would cost an estimated $8.9 million, Deas said.

The Alabama Highway Department has sent the study to the U.S. Department of Transportation's Federal Highway Administration, which must approve the project before an interchange can be added to the interstate highway system.

The FHA's division office in Montgomery currently is reviewing the study and will send it on to the regional office in Atlanta within a week or so, said Joe Wilkerson, division administrator in Montgomery. Atlanta officials, in turn, will review the study, before forwarding it to Washington, D.C., where officials will rule on the project, he said.

If the project is approved, it would probably still be a couple of years before construction could begin, because further study and more specific design plans will be needed, Wilkerson said.

Also, the Alabama Highway Department would then rank the project according to importance and put it into line with other pending projects to await funding, which is allocated to the most pressing highway needs first, Deas said.

The City of Tuskegee, the Macon County Commission, Macon County Chamber of Commerce, Macon County Board of Realtors, Tuskegee University President Benjamin F. Payton and State Rep. George H. Clay all wrote letters supporting the project, which are included in the study.

FYI

TIC Federal Credit Union, a non-profit organization, provides financial services to military and civilian employees of Fort Benning. The credit union is at 2786 Eckel Street. Call 682-0830.

Child behavior lecture will be Monday

From staff reports

A free lecture, "Children's Behavior Patterns and Preferences: How to Make the Most of Your Child's Strengths," will be held 7 p.m. Monday at Dexter School.

The session will focus on understanding the ways children learn, recognizing and building upon their strengths, motivating children to obey parents and on learning to help children develop critical readiness skills for school.

Open to Fort Benning parents, care givers and educators, the lecture is the fourth in a five-part series. The lecture series, Talks About Young Children, deals with the development of children from infancy through age 5.

Because space is limited, reservations are required and will be taken through today or until the session is full. To register, call the schools' administration office between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. Children are not permitted to attend the lectures.

Judy Archer, coordinator of language arts and social studies for Fort Benning schools, will present the program.

The last lecture in the series will be held March 3. It is titled "Learning Together: Creative Activities at Home and Community Resources for Parents and Young Children."

Crossword answer

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White School to host math day

Fort Benning's Edward A. White School will host a day devoted entirely to math and problem-solving skills Feb. 12 from 9 a.m. to noon.

The day will focus on the school's goal to enhance the ability of students to solve problems using clear, logical thinking.

The "Youth Mathematician's Conference," as it has been named, will be for kindergarten through fifth-grade classes. Students will attend sessions with visiting teachers and community leaders.

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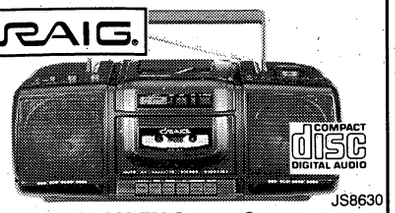

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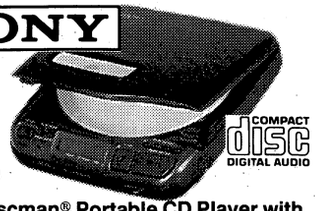

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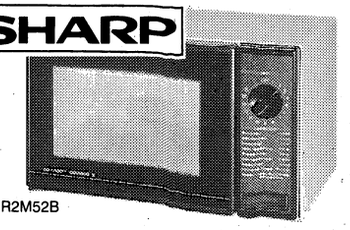

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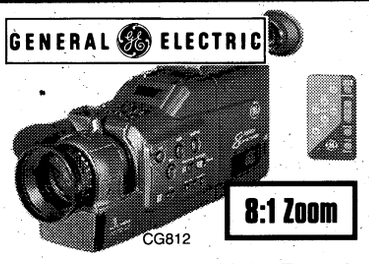

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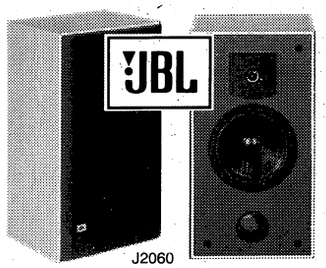

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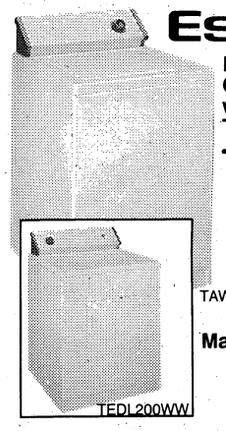

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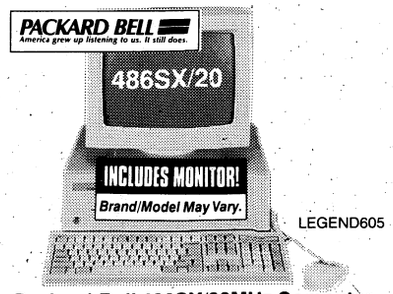

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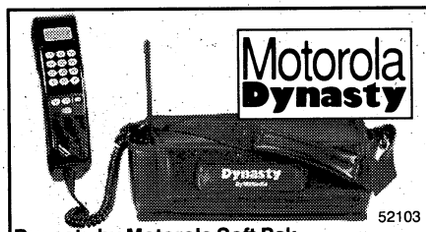

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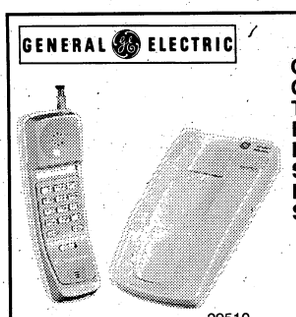

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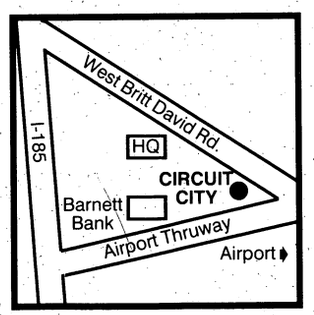

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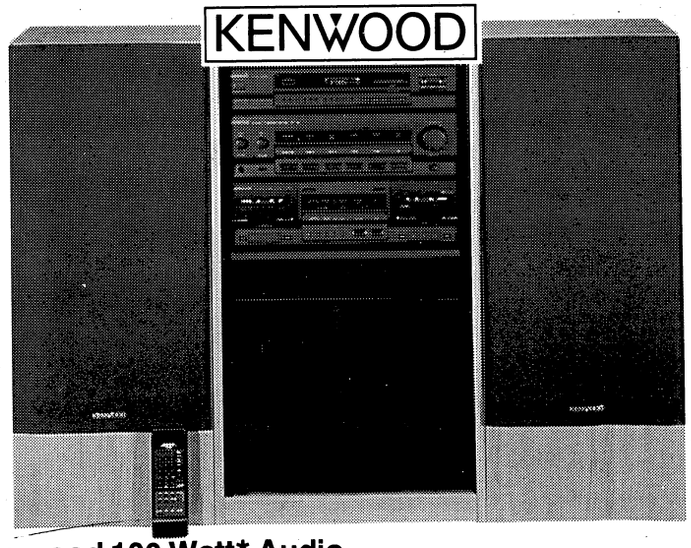

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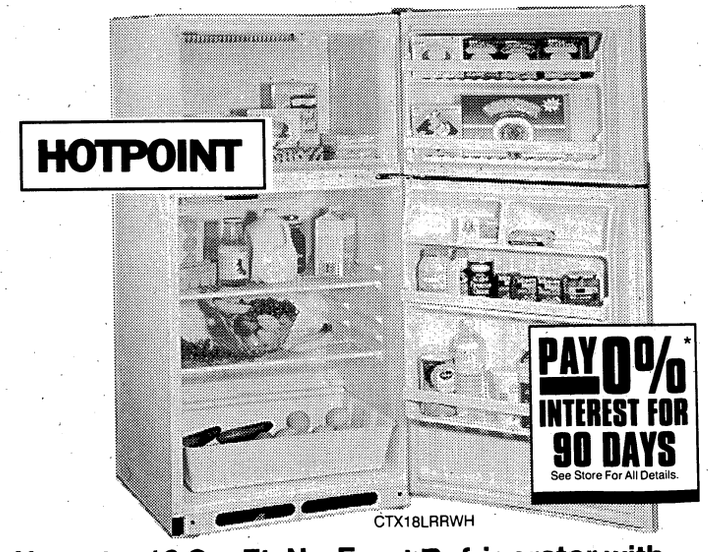

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RELIGION

Chaplains sacrificed lives on sinking ship

From wire reports

The night was frigid. The U.S. transport ship Dorchester, carrying 902 troops, had slowed to half speed because of ice floes. At 1 a.m., a torpedo struck and exploded midship. The ship started down rapidly.

Then, in the panic on the deck of that doomed World War II vessel 50 years ago, came an episode that implanted the ideal of interfaith bonds in American memory.

Four Army chaplains — two Protestants, a Jew and a Roman Catholic — after working to distribute life jackets, calm the frightened men and direct them to lifeboats and rafts, gave their own life belts to men without them.

Survivors related that as the ship went under on Feb. 3, 1943, the four chaplains clung together on the slanting deck, their arms linked, their heads bowed in prayer.

"It's a living parable that has affected the lives of many Christians and Jews ever since," said the Rev. David Poling of Albuquerque, N.M., a cousin of one of the four chaplains.

"Ministers of different backgrounds, drawn together in crisis, gave up their lives for others in love of God. A threatening, challenging moment brought out the essence of their relationship — that they were brothers."

That tie was little recognized in the early 1940s and before, a time of denominational aloofness, backbiting and prejudice, prior to the rise of ecumenical organizations and interfaith work.

"It was the sort of thing you didn't see back then, but which we now see all over the country," said Fred K. Honigman, interim executive director of The Chapel of the Four Chaplains at Valley Forge, Pa.

He said the event got wide public attention, spreading a spark that had implications for the whole ecumenical movement. It has broadened understanding and produced working links among most Christian denominations and Judaism.

On the 50th anniversary, commemorative events have been held in scores of communities across the country by churches and veterans' organizations.

Dedication services also were held on a 4.5-acre plot in Valley Forge for building of a new Chapel of the Four Chaplains designed to suggest the shape of the Dorchester. A $2 million-fund drive is under way for the project.

Last week, ceremonies were held at the U.S. Naval Station on Staten Island, N.Y., and a plaque commemorating the heroism of the four chaplains was dedicated at Pier 1 from which the Dorchester departed on Jan. 22, 1943.

After taking on more troops in Boston, the ship joined a convoy in the Atlantic, but broke off alone to head for Greenland. German submarines at the time were sinking about 100 Allied ships per month.

"Torpedo Junction," those Atlantic waters were then called.

The four chaplains on the Dorchester, working to allay anxieties of the young servicemen, were: Lt. Alexander D. Goode, 31, a Brooklyn-born Jewish rabbi; Lt. Clarke V. Poling, 32, a Dutch Reformed minister from New York; Lt. John P. Washington, 34, a Roman Catholic priest from Kearny, N.J., and Lt. George L. Fox, 42, a Methodist, of Altoona, Pa.

"They were all very sociable guys, who seemed to have initiated interfaith activities even before the war," said Clarke Poling's cousin, David Poling, a Presbyterian pastor who has collected material on the four and the Dorchester episode.

"They had hit it off well at chaplains' school. Sharing their faiths was not just a first-time deal for them. They were really very close. They had prayed together a number of times before that final crisis," David Poling said.

The Poling family has been prominent in Protestant affairs, particularly Clarke's father, the late Rev. Daniel Poling, who was influential in launching commemorations of the four chaplains by President Truman in 1951.

Daniel Poling was longtime editor of The Christian Herald and pastor of New York's Marble Collegiate Church, preceding the Rev. Norman Vincent Peale. His son, Clarke, had lived with cousin David's family in New Jersey while going to Rutgers University.

The Dorchester went under 20 minutes after she was hit. Only 230 of the 902 aboard survived to tell of the desperation of those last minutes and sacrifice of the four chaplains.

David Poling said it epitomizes a maxim of the 1st century Jewish rabbi Jesus whom Christians regard as manifesting God in the human context. He said, "Greater love has no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends."

IN BRIEF

Series addresses 'The Bible and Birth Control'

The Military Council of Catholic Women are presenting a series of talks by Scott and Kimberly Hahn and Dr. Thomas Zepeda. The series is titled "Life Giving Love," a series discovering the meaning of Christian sex and marriage. The topics for each week are:

Wednesday — "The Bible and Birth Control."

Feb. 17 — Dr. Thomas Zepeda will speak about birth control from a physician's perspective.

The series will be held from 9:30 a.m. until noon at the Infantry Center Annex. Child care is free of charge. For more information, call Teresa Zepeda at 682-3918 or Jackie Place at 689-6496.

PRAYER BREAKFAST: The commanding general's annual National Prayer Breakfast will be held Thursday, Feb. 11, at 6:30 a.m. at the Main NCO Club ballroom.

Everyone is welcome. For tickets, contact the USAIC Chaplains' Office at 545-2288.

ABUSE SUPPORT GROUP: An adult survivors of sexual abuse support group is meeting from noon until 1:30 p.m. every Wednesday through April 14 at the Chaplains Family Life Center, Soldier's Plaza, building 2606.

For more information, contact Chaplain (Maj.) James Rayburn at 545-1760.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S COUNCIL: The Military Council of Catholic Women invites all women to increase their knowledge of the faith, join together for prayer and the celebration of Mass, participate in opportunities of service and form friendships.

The MCCW meets every Wednesday from 9:30 a.m. until noon at the Infantry Center Annex and every first Friday of the month at 9:30 a.m. until at the Main Post Catholic Church. Baby-sitting is available at no charge.

For more information, contact Teresa Zepeda at 682-3918 or Jackie Place at 689-6496.

PRE-BAPTISM CLASSES: Pre-baptism classes will be held Feb. 21 and March 14 at 1 p.m. at the Religious Education Center, buildings 2517 and 2522, located off Indianhead Road, behind the Quartermaster Laundry.

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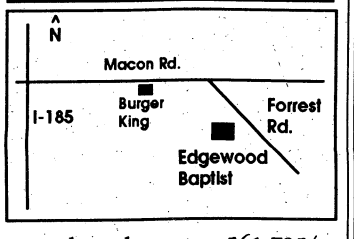

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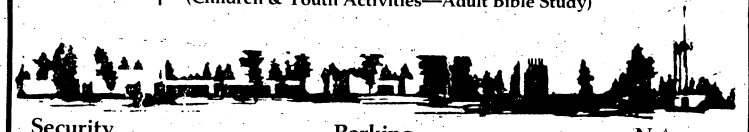
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VETERANS

Veterans recall horror of the Tet offensive

From wire reports

AUGUSTA, Ga. — Mike Patterson began reliving what is referred to as the most savage fighting of the Vietnam War two weeks ago.

This week is the 25th anniversary of North Vietnam's Tet offensive, timed to hit during the Vietnamese festival celebrating the Lunar new year.

Attackers, who hit 30 South Vietnamese cities, were repulsed, but in many cases it took savage, hand-to-hand combat.

Patterson, then an Army helicopter pilot with the 114th Assault Helicopter Company in Can Tho, now living in Augusta, said his unit was hemmed in for several days following the attack.

He remembers "just trying to get to a helicopter" as the airfield was barraged with artillery fire.

"There were like six or seven days in Can Tho where we couldn't even get off the airfield," Patterson recalled. "We just couldn't get up because of the incoming (artillery). We ended up being infantry for a few days."

In the days preceeding Tet, the North Vietnamese had stepped up activity including a Jan. 21 attack on a U.S. Marine camp in Khe Sanh. Like at Pearl Harbor, the telltale signs of what was to come were largely ignored, he said.

"We put guys in to go after a company-size operation ... and the next thing you knew they were surrounded by a battalion. And they (U.S. intelligence) were telling us that only 200 or 300 people a day were coming across the line (Ho Chi Minh Trail). It didn't take long to find out that it was a lot more than that — 2,000 or 3,000."

Ho Chi Minh Trail was a major supply route used by the North Vietnamese.

Clyde Hyde Jr., post commander of the Veterans of Foreign War Post 649 in Augusta, had just come back from 30 days on maneuvers when Tet hit, he said. He was with the 1st Calvary Division near the central highlands of Vietnam.

"We had a really strong base area where we were with helicopters and everything ... so we got hit, but it wasn't" as bad as other places, he said.

Ron Weber, a Vietnam veteran and former prisoner of war, commanded a Special Forces "A" team at Lang Vei near Khe Sanh, where the first wave of Tet was felled.

During the seige, Lang Vei lost about half its force, which consisted of 24 Green Berets, 900 Montagnard tribesmen and 100 Laotians.

Patterson, like other combat veterans suffering from post traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), still has flashbacks about the war, particularly on certain anniversaries such as Tet, he said.

Unlike Persian Gulf War veterans, after Vietnam, veterans didn't get the benefit of being "debriefed" back into society, Patterson said.

"I came out of the MeKong Delta and 36 hours later I was sitting in my parents' living room," he said.

Vets and families missing out on many benefits, group says

Although over $32 billion were paid out in veterans benefits last year, billions more went unclaimed in the past few years.

Every year eligibility for benefits and the array of available benefits are changed and very few veterans or their survivors keep up with the latest rules. Because of this, and changes in their circumstances, many veterans, their families and survivors are now entitled to money and other benefits from the government even though they were not eligible in the past.

A study group of the Consumer Education Research Center, a 20-year-old national nonprofit consumer group, found that over one-fourth of the money paid in veterans benefits goes to persons who never served in the armed forces of the United States. Most of these were related by blood or marriage to veterans but many were not. Others were member of the armed forces of countries who fought with us against our enemies.

Each year the center compiles a book describing the latest rules on available benefits and how to qualify for those benefits. The 240-page Complete Guide to Federal and State Benefits for Veterans, Their Families, and Survivors, with a forward by Sen. Robert Dole, is $9.95 (plus $3 shipping and handling) and can be purchased from Consumer Center, 350 Scotland Road, Orange, N.J. 07050 or by calling 1-800-872-0121 with a credit card.

Robert L. Berko, executive director of the consumer group, says that many survivors of veterans are unaware that they might be eligible to receive money, medical care, educational assistance, help in buying a home or other benefits. In fact, eligibility and benefits change constantly and some people ineligible in previous years are now able to start receiving money.

The study found that many people are unaware that they are considered dependents or survivors of veterans. These include those involved in illegal marriages, those who remarried after the death or disability of a veteran, children born out of wedlock to a veteran, parents of a veteran and even dependent grandchildren. Any of these may be eligible for benefits.

Berko says that the study questioned veterans about benefits and found that the majority were unfamiliar with most of the benefits now being granted under federal and state laws. Even veterans now collecting were unaware of other benefits for which they were eligible and could be collecting.

For instance, disabled veterans can receive apparel allowances if they use wheelchairs, artificial limbs or any prosthetic device that can wear or damage clothing and, if they have a spouse in need of care, they can receive an allowance to pay someone to provide that care.

Other benefits the consumer group found that are little known are:

■ A veteran (or dependent) can receive up to $837 (40 percent in advance) if he or she will assist the VA in a work-study program while in an educational program.

■ Federal agencies are required to establish affirmative action plans to facilitate employment and advancement of veterans with any degree of disability. In fact, some job classifications must be filled by eligible vets.

■ Disabled veterans can obtain extra compensation of hundreds of dollars per month in addition to their 100 percent disability if they have certain specified disabilities.

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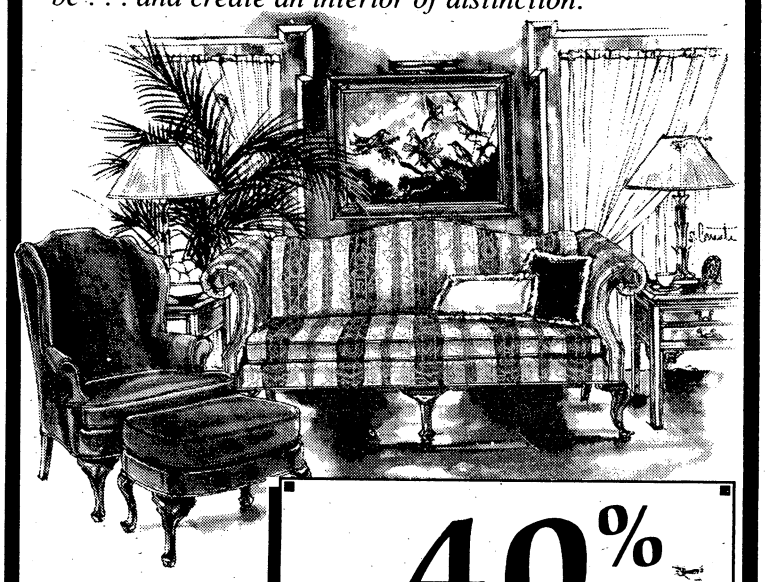

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COMMUNITY

IN BRIEF

Wilson School having reading retreat tonight

Wilson School's fourth-grade students and parents are invited to a parent-child reading retreat tonight from 6 to 8:30 at Wilson School.

Fourth-grade teachers have planned an evening of varied activities to include a play, a drama game, a sing-along and guest storyteller Rosa Childs.

Each child and parent will spend time in reading to each other. Parents will be given tips for encouraging and helping children enjoy and improve their reading for pleasure and information.

SPENCER REUNION: The Spencer High reunion classes 1933, 1943, 1953, 1963, 1973 and 1983 will meet in the school library on Wednesday at 7 p.m.

Business of importance will be discussed. Please be present.

CO-DEPENDENCY GROUP: A co-dependency group meets at Community Mental Health Service. It is open to both active duty and family members. A screening interview is required.

For more information, call Capt. Mitchelina Regazzi or 1st Lt. Steve Lewis at 545-1717 or 545-2587.

LA LECHE MEETING: The Columbus chapter of La Leche League will meet Tuesday from 10 a.m. to noon and from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at St. John United Methodist Church, 6507 Moon Road, on the corner of Moon Road and Weems Road in Columbus.

AUTO CRAFTS: The Main Post Auto Crafts Center hours are: Monday and Tuesday closed; Wednesday through Friday, 1:30 to 9 p.m.; Saturday and Sunday, 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

ENGINE EXCHANGE: The Arts and Crafts Automotive Centers now offer an engine and transmission exchange program.

Rebuilt engines and transmissions can be ordered at a reduced cost to the soldier or family member and installed by them or for an additional fee by the automotive center.

For more information, call the Main Post Auto Crafts Center at 545-2337 or the Kelley Hill Auto Crafts Centers at 544-3101.

FAMILY NIGHT SUPPER: The Parent Teacher Organization of White School will host a Family Night Supper Feb. 5 from 6 to 8 p.m. for families of all White School students.

The supper will include spaghetti, salad, bread, dessert and drinks. The cost will be $2 for adults and $1 for children.

All children must be accompanied by parents. Proceeds will go toward sponsoring future family events.

Reservations can be made by sending in the reservation slip or by calling the school at 545-4623.

HELPLINE: Contact, a United Way agency, is seeking volunteers to help staff the telephone helpline.

A free 50-hour training program designed to teach active listening skills and crisis intervention will begin Feb. 18.

For more information or to register, call 327-3999.

BARBER SHOP: The Barber Shop in the Main Mall will be closed for renovation Feb. 8 through 14.

BRAVES TICKETS: A limited number of Braves baseball tickets for home games are available at a military discount through the Information Ticketing and Registration Office, Building 247, Ingersoll Street. The tickets are only for the upper deck and cost $8 each. For more information, call 545-4155 or 545-7535.

LUPUS GROUP: The Lupus Foundation support group will meet March 26 at 7 p.m. at the Pastoral Institute, 2022 15th Ave., Columbus.

SPENCER YEARBOOK: The Spencer High School 1992-1993 yearbook can now be ordered for $35. The cost after March 1 will be $40.

FYI

Family Child Care is in-home care provided by an adult family member occupying government quarters. Quarters-based care can offer alternative care options for special needs that may be unavailable in day care center programs.

For information and for names and phone numbers of certified care-givers, call 687-4038 or 544-1623.

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The Pemberton House, 11 Seventh St., was the home of Dr. John S. Pemberton, originator of the Coca-Cola formula. Call the Historic Columbus Foundation at 322-0756 for information about tours of this and other historic sites.

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For zip code information, call the Columbus Post Office at 563-7871.

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The Confederate Naval Museum, 101 Fourth Street, contains the remains of two Civil War gunboats. Call 327-9793 for information.

VA hospital celebrating black history

From staff reports

To commemorate Black History Month, the Tuskegee Veterans Affairs Medical Center has scheduled several activities around the theme of "Afro-American Scholars: Leaders, Activists and Writers."

The Booker T. Washington High School Choir will perform at noon (CST) Feb. 17 at the medical center's chapel.

A "Jazz, Blues and Food" program will be held 2 p.m. Feb. 25 in Building 90, Room A-107. Nu-Face and Keith Mitchell's jazz ensemble will be the featured performers.

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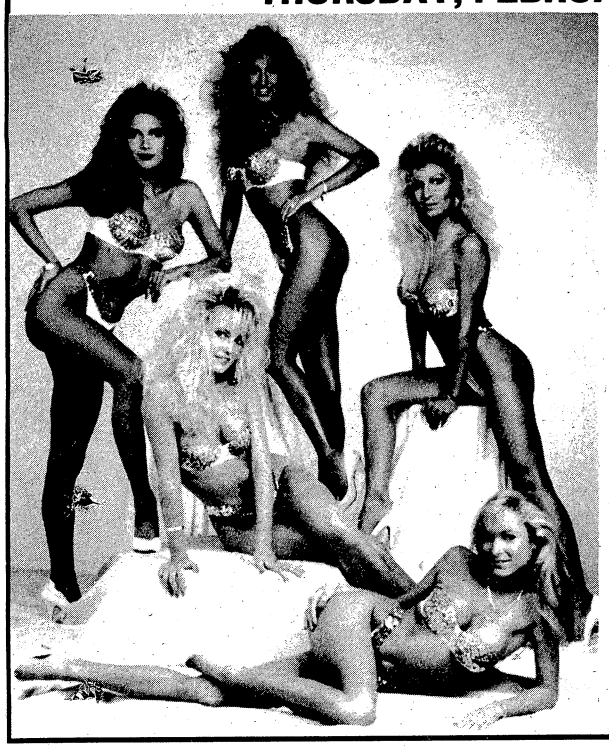

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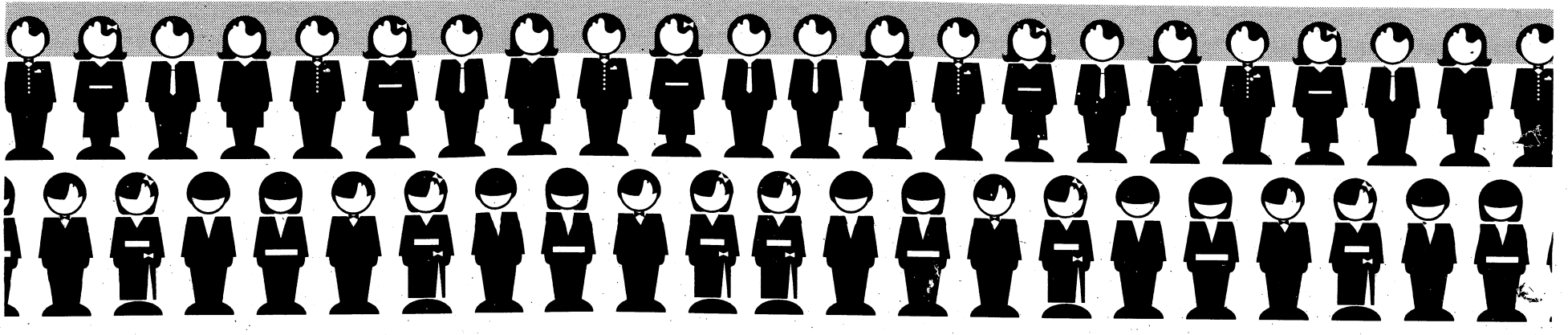

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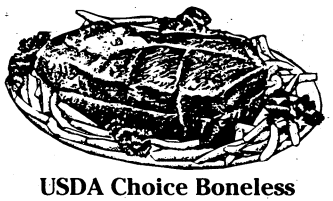

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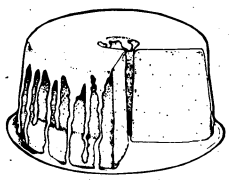

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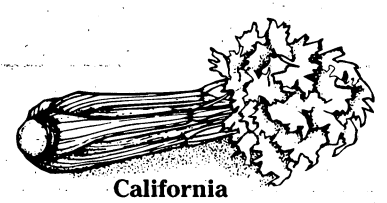

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DEFENSE

Military budget could lose $8.5 billion more

From wire reports

WASHINGTON — President Clinton is considering cutting $8.5 billion from the military budget he inherited from former President Bush for next fiscal year, congressional, Pentagon and defense industry sources said Wednesday.

The reduction would come from military budget of $267.8 billion that Bush and former Defense Secretary Dick Cheney envisioned for the fiscal year that begins Oct. 1.

The sources, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said the eventual cut would fall within the range of $7 billion to $10 billion. Clinton is expected to present his economic stimulus package on Feb. 18, one day after his State of the Union address, and submit his budget to Congress on March 23.

Defense Secretary Les Aspin has sent a memorandum on the budget to the various military services that breaks down how the cuts will be made, with the Army expected to trim $2 billion to $2.5 billion from its budget, the sources said.

During the campaign, Clinton proposed defense cuts of $60 billion beyond the $50 billion Bush had proposed over a five-year period.

The sources said the $8.5 billion in cuts would come from the $267.8 billion that Bush envisioned authorizing the Defense Department to spend next fiscal year.

Since some military construction, such as shipbuilding, takes many years, such a cut would result in an actual spending reduction next year of only about $5 billion, the sources estimated.

Bush's budget envisioned a personnel cut of 83,000 active duty troops. To achieve the savings Clinton wants, the military would have to make additional cuts in personnel and in the operation and maintenance accounts for the services.

The Bush budget also included $3.9 billion for the Strategic Defense Initiative and $2.3 billion for theater missile defenses, including the Patriot missiles used during the Persian Gulf War; and $2.4 billion for development of the F-22 fighter aircraft.

The budget also proposed a pay raise of 4.7 percent.

Clinton's plan is expected to make cuts in those programs.

COMMENTARY

AUSA voices support for loyal retirees

There is no more valued part of the Total Army than our retiree population. Their periods of service covered times of conflict, low pay, frequent transfers and relocations of their families, and times of service with great swings in public acceptance — but they hung in there, served the nation and gave their youth to a military career.

Ben Register

It is important that this nation remember the commitments that were made to these then young enlistees at the time of their entry into military service. Institutions sometimes have short memories and rationalize changes in commitments.

The Association of the United States Army considers retiree benefits and compensation as a high priority issue and adopted a resolution at the National convention outlining areas of concern and AUSA support for maintaining retiree benefits.

AUSA Resolution 93-17
Military Retirees

Army retired members are part of the Total Army. Retiree compensation and benefits represent contractual and moral commitments to soldiers who have devoted much of their adult lives to the service of the Nation. Thousands of retirees continue to serve as they maintain close contact with the Army at posts, camps and stations.

They are volunteers in hospitals, Army Community Service and Morale Support Activities. They sponsor foreign students in our schools, participate in partnership activities with units, and promote Army activities in numerous areas. Many retirees have official orders for further active service, and some were recalled for duty during the Persian Gulf War.

Cost-of-living adjustments (COLA) have been institutionalized since 1963. Subsequent executive and legislative actions have eroded purchasing power and the value of retired pay and survivor benefits. The elimination or reduction of the COLA would create hardship for thousands of retirees and their families and would be perceived by active duty soldiers as another erosion of benefits.

Military retired pay offset by VA disability compensation remains unique to the military retiree among all other federal employees.

Currently, retirees are eligible for Veterans Group Life Insurance (VGLI) benefits for five years after retirement. After five years, retirees desiring life insurance must convert VGLI to a commercial policy at considerable expense.

The Dual Compensation Act discourages many highly qualified military retirees from seeking employment within the federal service. The Social Security Annual Earnings Test further discourages some retirees from seeking employment. These provisions deny both the government and the private sector the benefit of retiree skills and experience.

Court interpretations of the Former Spouse Protection Act do not provide equity or predictability for the soldier or former spouse.

We therefore resolve to urge the Administration and Congress to:

- Continue to support a military retirement compensation system that preserves the full value of retiree income.
- Reject any attempt to reduce current provisions for cost-of-living adjustments.
- Support the abolishment of source taxes on retired pay currently being imposed by some states.
- Provide clarifying language in appropriate tax legislation, which will establish that all VA benefits and services are tax-exempt.
- Enact legislation to allow receipt of disability compensation concurrent with military retired pay without offset from either.
- Offer lifetime coverage under Veterans Group Life Insurance.
- Repeal the features of the Dual Compensation Act that discriminate against retired members in federal employment.
- Raise the cap for the Annual Earnings Test applied to Social Security benefits.
- Amend the Former Spouse Protection Act to:

— Terminate payments to a former spouse who remarries.

— Base the former spouse's award of retired pay on the grade and years of service at the time of the separation or divorce.

— Standardize the definition of disposable retired pay.

— Prohibit courts from ordering payments of retired pay before the member begins receiving retired pay.

Calendar of Upcoming Events

Feb. 9 — Executive Committee Meeting, 1 p.m., Room 642, Infantry Hall.

Feb. 17 — AUSA Board Meeting, 2 p.m., First Union Bank.

Feb. 18 — Winter General Membership Meeting, Fort Benning Officers Club.

March 9 — Executive Committee Meeting, 1 p.m., Room 642, Infantry Hall.

Ben Register, a retired lieutenant general, is president of the Chattahoochee Valley-Fort Benning Chapter of the Association of the United States Army (AUSA).

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Winter getaways can warm your heart and soul

By Alfred Borcover
Chicago Tribune

It's worth looking beyond the obvious when you search for a winter escape.

Most people head south or southwest for the warmth of the sun. That can translate into a cruise; or a resort in the Caribbean, Florida or Texas; or a stint in Arizona or Southern California to play golf and tennis.

If you're one of those people who love the cold, then you head for the Rockies or anyplace else that has enough snow for skiing. That can mean trips to Michigan or Wisconsin slopes or to New England or Canada, wherever the snow is flying.

When I fondly recall winter getaways, none of the above come to mind. They are not my kind of winter getaways.

Here are four options that have stirred my heart and soul:

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Earlier this month we were visiting friends in Naples, Fla. The weather was ideal, just warm enough to be comfortable in shorts and a short-sleeve shirt. The grass was green, the impatiens brilliant. Golfers were out. So were the tennis players.

But our highlight was Corkscrew Swamp Sanctuary, an 11,000-acre wilderness owned and operated by the National Audubon Society. Talk about a place to get renewed on New Year's Day — or any day.

Visitors followed a wooden boardwalk over the wetlands and through the country's largest remaining stand of virgin bald cypress — the oldest trees in eastern North America.

Sanctuary is a proper name for the place because most people act with reverence as they pause at numbered markers on a self-guided tour. As your eyes sharpen in the denser part of the swamp, you see tiny wildflowers, a gold and black butterfly, myriad birds, a sunning turtle and alligators. One reptile dozed on a fallen tree. Another, about six or seven feet long, lay barely submerged alongside the boardwalk. An Audubon ranger suspected the gator earlier that morning had snapped up a fox. Another gator spotted in the water thrashed in a thicket, perhaps having lunch.

Along the way there were great egrets, white ibises and barn owls.

The stars of Corkscrew, however, were the nesting wood storks, seven- and eight-pound birds with five-foot wingspans. Near a nesting area, rangers had set up and focused several telescopes so visitors could see these prehistoric-looking birds better.

The sights, the sounds, the inky waters, the cypresses that were 200 years old when Christopher Columbus set foot in the New World and the swampy moist air all make you forget about winter.

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Last year we escaped winter and found early spring in New Orleans. You need only walk to Cafe du Monde, order rich chicory cafe au lait and beignets and chew on both (without inhaling the powdered sugar), listen to a street musician wailing on a sexy saxophone and winter is a distant memory.

Add to the New Orleans scene a carriage ride and numerous strolls through the French Quarter, superb food at such restaurants as Mr. B's Bistro, Gautreau's, Eddie's, Commander's Palace and muffulettas at Central Grocery — what more could you ask for?

Even when the sun hid, New Orleans' sultry atmosphere and street scenes obliterated thoughts of winter.

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When snowbirds fly to Mexico, it's usually to Acapulco, Cancun or Puerto Vallarta. We found all the warmth, color and atmosphere we could handle in Oaxaca, in the mountains 321 miles southeast of Mexico City.

Oaxaca, a wellspring of Mexico's crafts — pottery, rugs, weaving, carving — is itself living folk art. Its zocalo, or town square, is alive with musicians and vendors, families and children. Colorful balloons, tethered to vendors, sway like butterflies.

Zapotec and Mixtec Indians give Oaxaca a special atmosphere. The town's market is ablaze with color. There are long rows of artfully displayed fruits and vegetables, racks of rugs and bins of pottery.

Most mystical of all are the mountaintop Zapotec ruins of Monte Alban, an archeological treasure six miles from Oaxaca. Its tombs and pyramids or platforms are infinitely more interesting than a beach.

At night, when the air is cool, the zocalo is a haven for Mexicans, Indians and visitors. The air is also filled with music and chatter — and nary a thought of snow.

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My fourth memorable winter getaway was an assignment — Yellowstone National Park after the devastating fires that hopscotched through the park in the summer of 1988. You can't begin to compare winter in Chicago to winter in Yellowstone, where readings as low as minus 66 degrees have been recorded.

During winter, Yellowstone's roads give way to big yellow snow coaches, used for touring and transportation, as well a snowmobiles.

Snow blankets the park, making it a haven for cross-country skiers and for tourists like me who don longjohns, jeans, thermal T-shirts, turtlenecks, down parkas and warm hats to see the park's sights.

Herds of frost-covered bison trudge across a vast meadow in search of food. Some gather near geothermal steam vents and bubbling pools. Bull elk and mule deer also forage, hampered by the deep snow.

At Old Faithful, visitors gather for the geyser show, bundled to the nines. Fireplaces, hot chocolate and hot toddies are always the order of the day as everyone seeks coziness after a day's outing.

The trees blackened by the fire stand in contrast to the pines and the snow.

When the winter you know best is in the city, where the snow turns gray in a day, Yellowstone is a place of great beauty, a place where snow presents real challenges. Both the animals and visitors must work at survival.

Give me the intense, natural experiences any winter.

The balmy weather and water sports that Florida offers attract many snowbirds.

Industry feels tax burden

From wire reports

It's not exactly the Boston Tea Party, but the travel industry has begun to fight a growing trend to tax their customers.

Travel agencies, hotels, car-rental companies and other segments of the trade are worried that travel-related taxes are hurting them.

Led by Earlene Causey, new president of the American Society of Travel Agents, a group of 90 industry officials met early this month in Washington and announced a two-year campaign to resist "unfair" taxes. They fear that such taxes, by raising overall costs, discourage people from traveling.

Typically these taxes show up as quietly added surcharges — $2 per day on car rentals, a government-imposed shuttle fee when a rental-car-company van carries airport passengers to an off-airport rental site, occupancy taxes on hotel guests.

"We're more than willing to bear our fair share of taxes," Causey said in Washington, "but we're tired of being a cash cow."

FARO'S CASTLE
Pigeon Forge/ Gatlinburg
Featuring
Jacuzzi For 2, Fireplace, VCR/TV, Full Kitchen, Mirrored Bed, Outstanding View
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Chalets, sleep 2 to 20, close to slopes & shopping OR secluded cabins. All units have kitchen, fireplace, jacuzzi or hot tub.
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To place, cancel or change your ad, call

322-4500

OFFICE HOURS

You can bring your Benning Leader ad by the Ledger-Enquirer office at 17 W. 12th Street in Columbus between 8:30am and 8:30pm, M-F, or you can call us between 7:30am-6:00pm, M-F, or Sat. from 9am-noon (for cancellations and corrections).

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Classified Advertising.....(706) 322-4500
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RATES

5 Lines
1 Week
$2.75

Private party items for sale by individuals can run 1 week for only $2.75. Commercial ad rates are slightly higher.

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In-column.....5pm Wednesday
Display.....4pm Tuesday

CANCELLATIONS

Ads can be cancelled before they are published. Deadlines for cancellations are identical to deadlines for publication.

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Please check your ad for errors the first week it appears since we can not be responsbile for incorrect ads after the first week of publication. If you find an error or wish to change your ad, please call Classified Advertising as soon as possible at 322-4500.

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CLEANING SERVICES C3

WILL CLEAN your residence or office. References available. Call Sandra, 298-6087

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CHILD CARE C7

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NEW DATING SERVICE
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Are You Troubled? Need to talk? Call CONTACT. We care. 24 hrs. Free. 327-3999

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NEED TO SELL A DOG? A CAT? A PUPPY? A KITTEN? USE OUR CLASSIFIEDS!
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for
10 DAYS
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Call today for more details.
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YOU CAN HELP WRITE THE BOOK OF LOVE

Call the Ledger-Enquirer Classified Advertising Department at 322-4500 to put in a special Valentine's Day message to your sweetheart on Sunday, February 14th. The cost is only 50¢ per line. Artwork can be included at a small additional charge. Deadline is Tuesday, February 9th. Call a Classified Representative and ask us how you can help write

THE BOOK OF LOVE
322-4500

ANTIQUES 036

CHARLES & DI ANTIQUES
Different items everyday.
7870 N. Hamilton Rd.
324-3314. Open 7 Days

Ledger-Enquirer Classified Ads Call 322-4500

♦♦Grand Opening♦♦
Sunday, Jan. 31st
The Holland House
Of Antiques & Refinishing
Come early & take your time. We have many one-of-a-kind items! Furniture & glassware, 10am-6pm.

298-6896; 2000 9th Ave
Phenix City

THE BENNING LEADER "FREE FIFTY" COUPON

Free **CLASSIFIED ADS FOR ITEMS UNDER $50.00**

The Benning Leader is now offering free classified ads for items totaling less than $50.00 in value. Ads will run 3 lines for one week and only ads on this original coupon form can be accepted. This coupon will run every week in The Benning Leader.

PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING GUIDELINES CAREFULLY BEFORE PLACING YOUR AD: • Ads received by noon on Tuesday will run in the following edition. Ads received after noon on Tuesday will run the next available edition. • Only non-commercial want-ads can be accepted. Please don't list animals, plants, firewood, services or homemade crafts. • Please include a daytime phone number along with your home phone number, name and home address in case we have a question about your ad.

Please include your:

Name_____

Address_____

City_____ **State**_____ **Zip**_____

Home Phone_____ **Daytime Phone**_____

Mail to:
The Benning Leader
Free Fifty Ads
c/o Classified Advertising Dept.
P.O. Box 711
Columbus, GA 31994

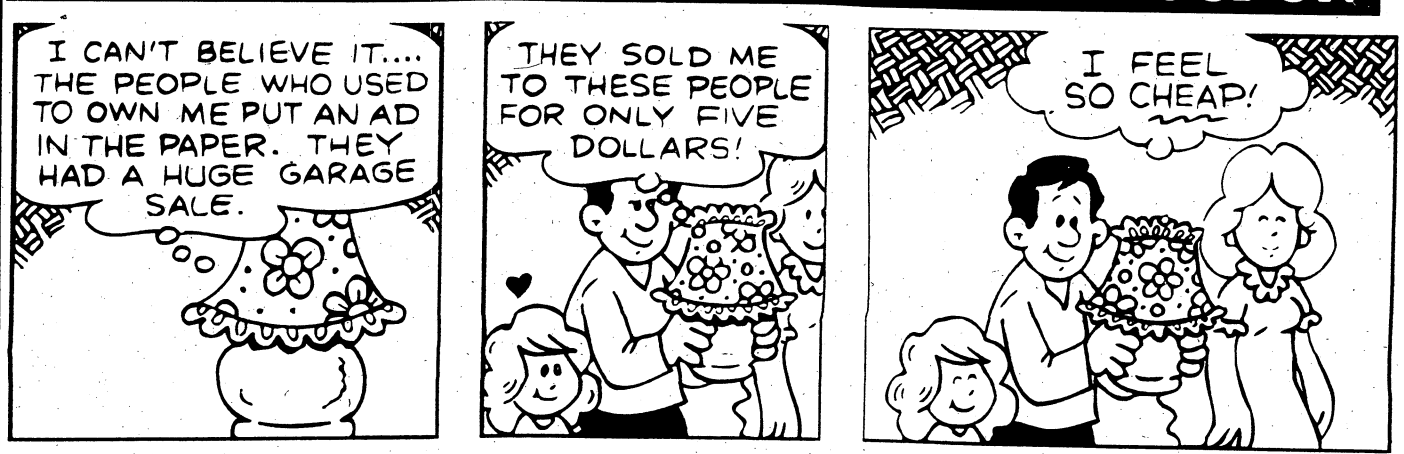
PRINT YOUR MESSAGE HERE-ONE LETTER OR SPACE PER BLOCK

Approximately
1 line
2 lines
3 lines

Please leave A Blank Space Between All Words And Prices. Please include your phone number.

LOOK FOR THESE BARGAINS IN OUR BARGAIN COLUMN (Classification 099)

THE BENNING LEADER "FREE FIFTY" COUPON



LOOKING FOR A BARGAIN? TRY THE SALES LISTED IN THE CLASSIFIEDS!

ANTIQUES 036

The Holland House Of Antiques

♦♦Now Open♦♦
10am-6pm, Tue-Sat
298-6896; 2000 9th Ave
Phenix City
Piano & Antiques
Refinishing, restores, repairs & stripping.

APPLIANCE SALES 040

Escort Pony '88½ 1 owner, 35K mi., am/fm cass., air, PCSing. $3300. 689-0790.

APPLIANCE SALES 040

Refrigerator
Frost free, $150; GE washer, $100; call 327-6700

REFRIGERATOR, frost-free, 2 door, ice & water out the door, 25 cbft, $400; 25 inch console color tv, exc. cond., $175; 687-7104 aft 4pm

SANYO MICROWAVE
New $500, sell $150/firm. Call 561-2792

WESTINGHOUSE ELECTRIC STOVE, good condition. $75. Call 324-5907

17500 BTU window A/C. 17 cu. ft. Kenmore frost free fridge. Curtis Matthes VCR. $175. ea. 324-4144

DON'T
Spend Hours Shopping The Aisles For Bargains

DON'T
Waste Fuel Going From Store To Store Comparing Prices

SHOP OUR PAGES FIRST

It pays!

Call 322-4500

CLOTHING 050

WEDDING DRESS, very beautiful, size 9, can be altered, incl. veil & slip, $400. 563-9786

COMPUTERS & EQUIP. 052

Commodore 64, disc drive, printer, monitor, software, $175. 568-7975 aft. 6pm.

IBM PC JR w/cordless keyboard, still in box, $100; Amber monitor, $25. 291-1805

FIREARMS 056

Browning Bolt 30-06 with scope and sling. $400. Call 323-4471 after 5pm.

Sig Sauer P226 9mm
$725
Call 687-4710, Mon-Fri.

SMITH & WESSON 4506, 45 cal. w/2 mags., $500. Call 563-9429

FURNITURE FOR SALE 058

Beautiful In-laid table w/6 cane chairs, lg. china cabinet, $1800/offer. 563-8391

Daybed, white & brass, complete w/mattress, spread & three pillow shams, like new, $100. 689-2071

FREEZER $250. KING SZ bedroom set w/mattress & box springs, $500. SOFA BED $250. Call 563-6328.

KINGSIZE BED, mattress, boxsprings & frame, $175 or best offer. 660-1334

KING SIZE Tube Waterbed, real good condition, $275. Call 689-2196 or 298-5770.

MATCHING SOFA & swivel rocker, $100 or best offer. 561-7179 lv. msg.

MATCHING SOFA & 2 chairs, 2 endtables, 2 lamps, $200. 682-1062

6 Piece Living Room Set
Sofa, loveseat (forest green) & recliner (mauve), cherry wood w/glass inlaid coffee table & end tables, $1800 or take over pmts of $139 mo. Call 689-9251

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Classified Ads
Call 322-4500

COLLECTIBLES BUY/SELL 061

'87-'88 Fleer Basketball & '72, '73, '86 Football cards for sale. Call 682-5517

ZONE 4
GEORGIA

OWC Thrift Shop Flea Market
Corner of Dixie Rd & Ingersoll St. First & third Saturday from 8am-12noon

MISC. FOR SALE 076

Babay Changing Table
Metal, red, white & blue, 3 trays, padded changing, side pockets, $50; call 327-1901

Dining Room Suite
Table w/6 chairs & china cabinet, $500/offer; 25 inch RCA color tv, $100
Call 291-0143 after 5pm

FULL SIZE mattress
Good condition, $25
Call 324-6623

GAS LOGS very good condition. $175. Call 298-8623 after 5pm.

GE HEAVY DUTY washer, extra large capacity. $100; DP exercise bike, digital display, $125; diamond marquis wedding set, pd $1100, asking $550; call 561-2022 before 2pm

KINGSIZE BED w/all acc., $150; solid wood Dining table w/4 chairs, $200; Kenmore dryer, $80. 596-9899

♦ MOVING SALE ♦
◆ 50 years accumulation ◆
Sofa, chair, ott. & tables, $500; sofa, $50; bed, $25; chest, $25; dresses & suits, $1-$20; dishes, glassware, 5¢-$15; books, 5¢-$2.
Many other items.
2716 18th Ave
◆ Fri: 9am-5pm ◆
◆ Sat: 8am-4pm ◆

UPRIGHT PIANO, $350; gas grill, $20; Kenmore, 20cu.ft. Upright refrigerator freezer w/icemaker, $400/offer; bookcases, $5ea; Home stereo components. 323-3886

VCR'S (2): Both w/remotes, excellent cond., $85 each. Call 291-7862

MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS 078

D. REDDING MUSIC
Bealiwood Conn./50th St.
Crate G60 amp, $250. Hohner Les Paul, $450. 596-1260

Wells Moore Studio Piano
Good practice piano
$300. Call 298-3142

TV-VIDEO STEREO SALES 096

Color TV, $100.
569-8469, 9am-9pm

MERCHANDISE WANTED 098

CASH FOR GOOD USED UNWANTED ITEMS
TVs, Stereos, Baby Beds, furniture. We also have adult gag gifts. Waters Junk, 929 Ft. Benning Rd. 687-6761. Cash paid.

BARGAIN COLUMN 099

LOVE SEAT, $25; lamp, $10; box spring, $15. Call 298-2466, lv. msg.

100
PETS, FARM & GARDEN

PETS 122

AKC Dachshund, Yorkies, Shih Tzus, Schnauzers. 912-847-4666 Reynolds

AKC DALMATIANS, Call Gene Connell after 7 p.m. 912-336-0959 Sale City, GA.

AKC GERMAN SHEPHERD pups, 1st shots. Call 912-838-6317

AKC LABS: Blk, $100 each. Rott. female, 7mo. Call 297-5000 days, 205-667-0293

AKC reg. Chow-Chows Several colors, $150 each. Call 989-3300 (local)

AKC Rottweilers: 4 males, 3 *females, avai. now!* Reduced to $250. Call 298-4332

AKC 2yr old blonde male **Cocker Spaniel,** all shots & records. $125. 545-5404 or 571-7128

ALL ● BREED
Dog Training Academy
563-6568

CHINESE SHAR-PEIS, AKC, Champion sired, 1st set of shots, $225. 205-705-0408

PURE BRED Doberman Pincher, 1½yrs, female, all shots, $100. Call 563-3852

PETS-LOST & FOUND 127

HAVE YOU LOST YOUR PET? Please contact the Muscogee County Humane Society at 7133 Sacerdote Lane, off Schatulga Road, 706-563-4929 or the Russell County Humane Society at 205-298-0080.

YOU CAN HELP SAVE A PET
Call our 24-hour hotline for lost & found pets. 480-3355 (local call for Columbus and Phenix City residents).

FREE COLUMN ANIMALS 130

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The Columbus Ledger-Enquirer is proud to offer the **FREE COLUMN** as a valuable service to our customers. In addition to placing your **FREE COLUMN** ad, we recommend that you contact The Muscogee Co. or Russell Co. Humane Societies for important safety precautions you may wish to consider when finding a home for your pet. To find out more about what you can do to protect your animal, call your local Humane Society at 298-0080 (Russell Co.) or 563-3647 (Muscogee Co.)

WANTED TO BUY 142

Albany Pallet Exchange. We buy 48x40 wooden pallets, in Richland, GA. Highest prices paid. Call 1-800-763-6487, ask for Lynne.

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EMPLOYMENT

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Below you will find a listing of common employment abbreviations which you may find in our classified advertisements. We hope this will help your decision-making process.
office - ofc.
home - hm.
work - wk.
part time - P/T
full time - F/T

JOB LISTINGS/ DIRECTORIES 215

WORK AT HOME. Assembling and clerical. No experience. For details send SASE to: Jacobs, Box 770088, Ocala, FL 34477.

HELP WANTED GENERAL 216

AGENTS/TRACERS
$40,000 potential. FT/PT. Own hrs. Will train. Processing mortgage refunds. Work locally. 1-800-489-4832. 24hrs

AVON No door-to-door sales necessary! Local 563-5005; other areas 1-800-338-5870

A BETTER JOB...
... Job opportunities increasingly are limited for people who can't read or write. Job requirements are changing because of new technology, and many workers must have reading skills in order to be retained. If you know someone who needs improved reading abilities, pass along these numbers: 706-682-2662 (Columbus) and 1-800-228-8813 (elsewhere).

BE ON T.V. many needed for commercials. Now hiring all ages. for casting info. **Call 615-779-7111 Ext T-223**

EARN $1,000's weekly stuffing envelopes. Start now. No prior exp. Free supplies. Free info. No obligation. Send S.A.S.E. to Regal Dist. PO Box 140714-S, Orlando, FL 32814.

MAKE MONEY. While losing weight Diet Magic. 404-631-1356, 404-631-8833.

PART-TIME Parts Runner needed Monday thru Wednesday, 8AM-6PM. Great job for retired person. Call 324-0106, ask for Jeff.

PIECE WORK, $170 part time, $350 full time, making golf and kitchen items. Call Norma 313-242-1234.

HELP WANTED PART-TIME 218

**** AVON **** Earn to $200-$1200 mo. Training & support. 1-800-329-AVON.

MEDICAL DENTAL 220

PHARMACIST
An excellent opportunity awaits a candidate looking for a part time position as Pharmacist in charge at the Bradley Center in Columbus. The position calls for about 4 hrs a day with no nights or weekend shifts in addition to an above average salary. Would consider 2 Pharmacists sharing the coverage. For immediate consideration call Jeff at 649-6160.

PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT 224

ENGINEERING PROJECT MANAGER
Southside Virginia textile manufacturing firm has immediate opening for an Electrical Engineering Project Manager with a minimum of 8 years experience. Position requires prior management experience in textile manufacturing computerization of manufacturing processes and a track record of increased productivity and cost reduction. The position reports directly to the vice president of manufacturing. Reply to Box 242 c/o Ledger Enquirer, P. O. Box 711, Columbus, GA. 31902-0711.

PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT 224

QUALITY CONTROL PERSONNEL NEEDED
for a local soft drink producer. Lab exp. & good work habits a must for this position. Strong company with good benefits. Reply to:
Box#237,c/oLedger-Enquirer, P.O. Box 711, Cols, GA 31902-0711

TV NEWS PHOTOGRAPHER
1 year professional experience. Must shoot, edit, state of the art video. Must be aggressive and able to work with people. Shift includes nights and weekends.

Dale Cerbin
WTVM TV
324-6471

EOE

DRIVERS 227

ROLLIN' REBEL EXPRESS
Needs experienced, hard working OTR drivers for specialty flatbed operation. Competitive pay and benefits. Home almost every weekend. Call
(205)756-8194 days
(706)882-4467 after 7pm

SKILLS & TRADES 228

CONSTRUCTION project, all phases and skills. Medical benefits, immediate employment. 1-800-272-7444.

LOADING FOREMAN
People and organizational skills necessary.
Established company with good benefits. Reply to:
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FINANCIAL

BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIY 410

CREDIT CONSULTANT
National Association of Christian Credit Counselors seeks individual in your area to open small branch office. Full company training and support. Small capital required. Call 701-237-4153.

VENDING ROUTE-established-earn up to $1,000 per week. Immediate sale. 1-800-800-4192

VENDING ROUTE ● Priced Right **●** Poss. $850 Wkly Income **●** 800-330-9995.

VENDING ROUTE For Sale
Collect $100-$200 cash daily. No selling.
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MORTGAGES 413

I BUY MORTGAGES
NATIONWIDE
404-962-6928

MONEY TO LEND 414

LOANS, easy qualification. Guaranteed $5k if employed. 1-800-392-0519.

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REAL ESTATE RENTALS

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bedroom - BR
bathroom - BA
dining room - DR
living room - LR
greatroom - GR
fireplace - FP
central heat/air-cent. h/a
washer/dryer - w/d connections-w/d conn.
refrigerator - fridge
available - avail.
north - N.
south - S.
Columbus - Cols.
Phenix City- P.C.
acres - ac.
minutes - min.
apartment - apt.
month - mo.
subdivision - S/D
large - lg.
double - dbl.

FURNISHED APTS. GA 518

CLEAN 1BR Furnished apartment, untilies, cable & parking included. Military welcome, 5 minutes to Post. Call 685-2219

UNFURNISHED APTS. GA 520

Attention Military
Prices Slashed
LIMITED NUMBER
2BR, 2BA
ALL THE EXTRAS
Two mins. to post
Call Lisa or Gisela:
689-4873

CAMELLIA APARTMENTS
689-0370

CONDO 1½BA, 2BR, Clubhouse, pool, great location, balcony view, water furn., $455mo. 563-9899

TRAFFIC GARDENS
1600 Ft. Benning Road
1 & 2 BR, plus townhouses. $215 to $245. Remodeled, new carpet, cable tv., burglar doors, 689-1425.

UNFURNISHED HOUSES GA 526

BUENA VISTA ROAD 3BR, 1½BA, fenced yd. $500/mo. Call 323-3707 lv. msg.

CUSSETA Modular 3BR 1½BA, big yard, carport, Firetower Rd. $375. 561-8768

GREAT FOR MILITARY 3 OR 4BRs, 2 full baths, walk to Johnson elementary & Jordan high, $550 mth. After 6pm, 561-4569.

TRENTON CT - Battle Forest area. 3BR, 2BA, spacious living area. Huge, fenced backyard. Available immediately. $575.
HERITAGE HOMES

2 LG. BR, fenced yd, 2BA, lg. porch. No pets. $315. Ref. & Credit report. 323-5103

600
REAL ESTATE SALES

TOWNHOUSES & CONDOS 612

Hidden Lakes Luxury Condo. 2200 sq.ft. 3BR, 3½BA, new modern kitchen. Must see to appreciate! Contact 568-1628 for appt. after 6pm or days, 323-2721 ext. 129.

HOMES FOR SALE GA 616

BY OWNER: Three 2BR houses & 1 duplex for sale. Anderson Rd., Cusseta, GA. $22,000-$29,500. Owner will seek financing. 563-8783

'92 INCOME TAX RETURN TOO SMALL?
Do you need investments in '93? Buying a home will help.
Call Charles Cornett, Jefferson Brothers, Inc.
569-6688/324-4424

MUST SELL! 3BR, 2BA, Large den. Owner relocating. $120,000. (706)884-3700 for information.

OPEN HOUSE: Sun. 2-4
BY OWNER
4BR, 2½BA, fenced 1 acre, near Blanchard School, 2200 sq.ft. $79,9000. 569-6610.
6435 MICHAEL AVE.

OPEN HOUSE: Sun. 2-5
BY OWNER
4BR, 2½BA, fenced 1 acre, near Blanchard School, 2200 sq.ft. $79,9000. 569-6610.
6435 MICHAEL AVE.

South East, By Owner
Assumable qualifying VA or new loan. 3BR, 2BA, living room, dining room, den, new storage house, completely remodeled, new carpet, new mini-blinds. 568-4476

NEW IN TOWN?
Tired of paying rent? Let me show you how to purchase the home of your choice.
Call Charles Cornett, Jefferson Brothers, Inc.
569-6688/324-4424

VA REPO HOTLINE
24-Hr Recording 568-9741
HERITAGE HOMES

FARMS & ACREAGE 636

ESCAPE!
10.8 ACRES, $9,900
Peace & quiet in Talbot Co. Pasture & woods, good road frontage. Financing. Call owner, 912-986-1454

Marion County: 70 acres, $495 per ac. Front Hwy 240. 563-6975 or 323-5382

700
MOBILE HOMES

MOBILE HOMES FOR RENT 714

'87s-'92's 14 wides 2&3BR, fenced, air, rent/own avail. $295-$395. 327-5551, 569-7185

ALEX Mobile Homes & Rental Trucks, utilities on. 687-5276, 689-0226, 9-6

ATTENTION VETERANS

Reduce your interest rate or # of years on your VA loan

• Easy to qualify • Automatic in-house approval • VA owner occupied or rental property • Apply by Phone • Fast Closing

Save $50 to $200 each month. Save $5000 to $50,000 over life of loan

Call for information NOW while rates are low. Throughout GA & AL

Call 1-800-947-REFI

HILTON MORTGAGE
568-9003

MOBILE HOMES FOR RENT 714

ARE BARRACKS CROWDED?

You don't have to live on Post. We have cozy 1 & 2BR

Call Sherri or Denise

685-1414

A Nice 2BR, washer/dryer, central heat, Furn, a/c. $235 mo. 561-8684/563-5491

GREAT DEALS

Military Qualify Immediately
1 & 2BR Furnished
Cable & Many Extras

Call Gisela or Lisa:

689-4873

NEAR POST: 2- 14' x 60' 2BR, 1BA. 1 brand new, 350; 2nd Very nice $300. **NO PETS.** $150/dep. No deposit for utilities. Call 989-3106

TWO MONTHS FREE RENT! 1, 2 & 3BR avail. Close to Post, Cols. & P.C. Also lots avail. 855-3486, 9-8.

MOBILE HOME LOTS FOR SALE 718

TALBOT CO., 10.8 AC., $9,900. Beautiful country setting, pasture & woods, financing. Call owner, 912-986-1454

MOBILE HOMES WANTED 720

NEEDED
NICE, CLEAN, 3BR
MOBILE HOMES
WILL PAY CASH!
COLUMBUS MOBILE HOME PARK
CALL 687-4197

CLEAN 3BR MOBILE HOME
Will pay cash.
Sheraton Mobile Home Estates
706-689-6738.

800
RECREATIONAL VEHICLES

BOATS 810

Galaxy '85, 20'9'', 170HP Merc., I/O, walk through windshield, stereo, fitted cover, ski equip., garage kept, exc. cond., $6000. 324-3085 aft. 6pm or msg.

'70 FIBERGLASS BASSBOAT & traileor, 40HP Johnson, motor guide, electric motor, $1000/offer. Call Don, 323-2844

MOTOR HOMES FOR SALE 818

Winnebago Brave 20' '72 $2995. Call Bill at 324-0444 work/596-1140 home

UTILITY TRAILERS 822

SMALL COVERED trailer, 5x4x3 cbft, paid $750, will sell for $350/offer. Call 563-7646

MOTORCYCLES FOR SALE 828

YAMAHA YZ250 '85, like new, runs strong, great cond, must see! Priced right! Ask for Scott Reyes at 660-[illegible].

Honda CBR600F2 '92 red & pearl white, 1,400 mi. Must see! $5300. 297-0305 lv msg.

MOTORCYCLES FOR SALE 828

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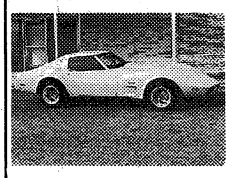

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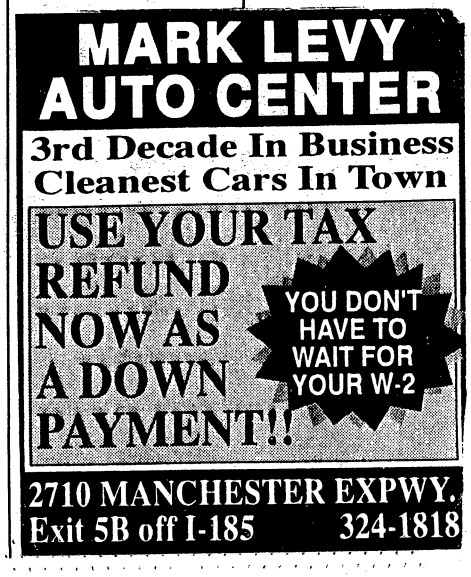

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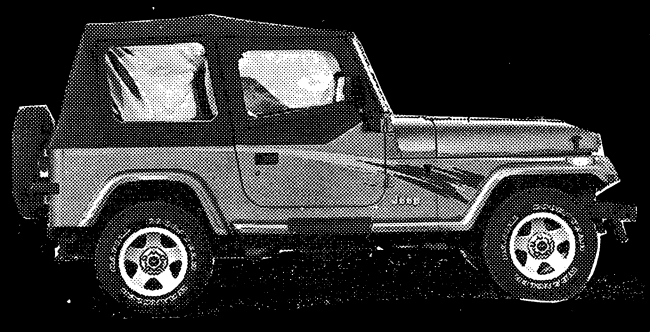

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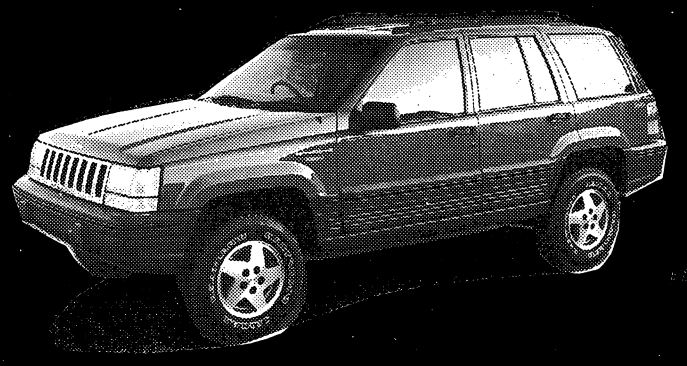

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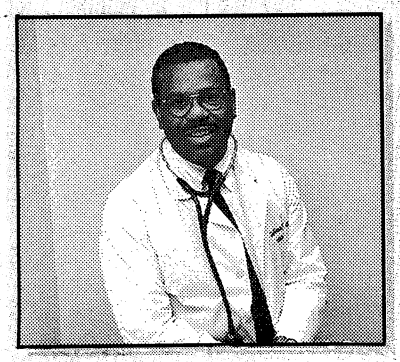

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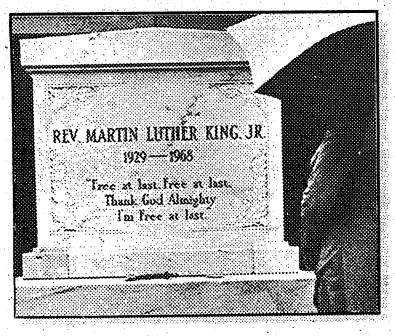

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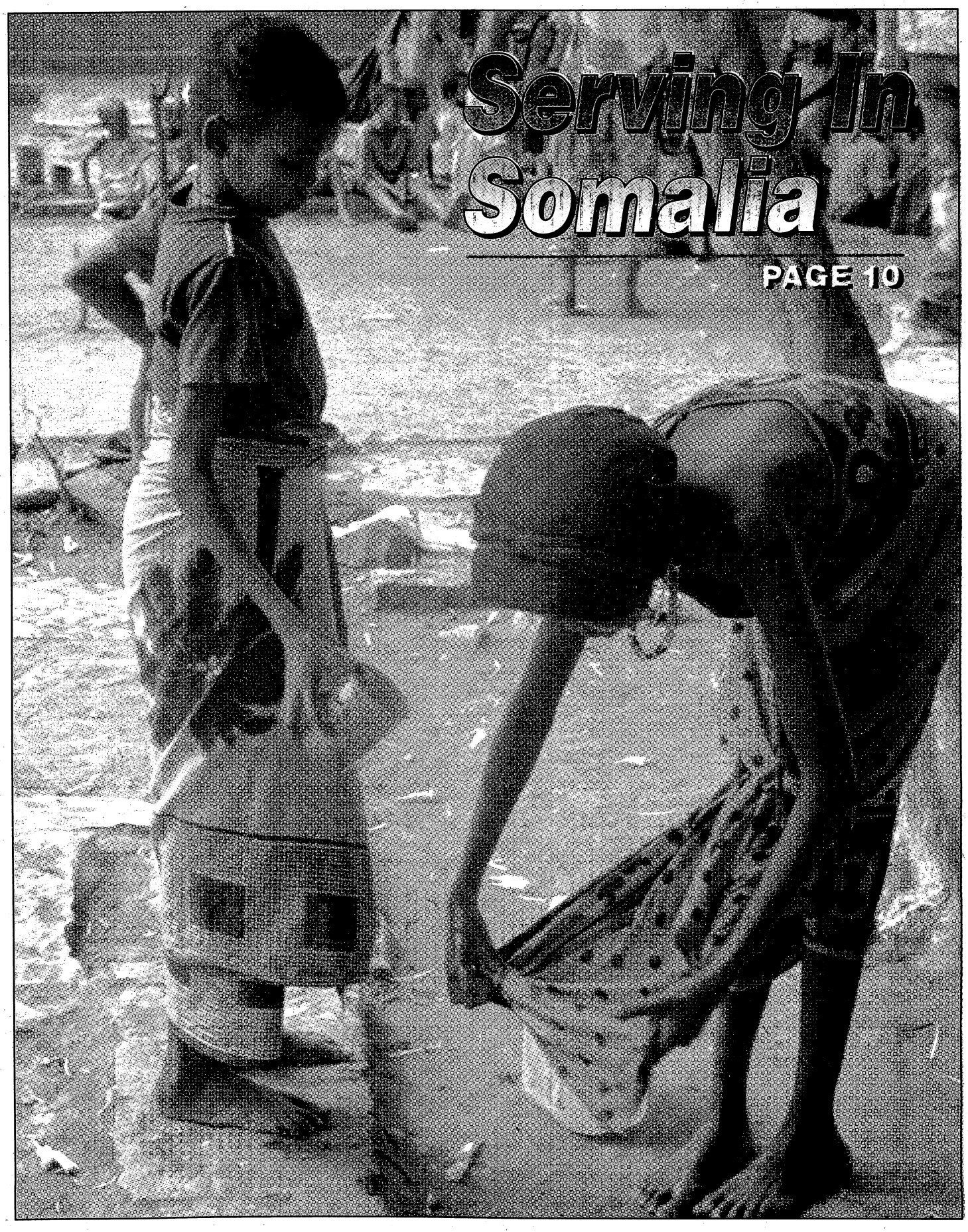

COMMENTARY

Allied forces' unity was key to turning tide in Tunisia

In January 1943, Field Marshal Erwin Rommel's German-Italian army occupied old French fortifications near the southern border of Tunisia — the Mareth Line — where it faced British General Bernard Montgomery's Eighth Army.

Al Garland

At the same time, more than 100,000 German and Italian troops under General Juergen von Arnim faced westward against Gen. Dwight Eisenhower's now-stalled Allied forces. Although the Italian High Command in Italy exercised loose control, the Axis nations failed to establish a unified command over those two forces.

After the British First Army's dash for Tunisia had been stopped by a combination of strong enemy resistance and deteriorating weather conditions, Eisenhower had no choice but to dig in and defend in the Tunisian mountains until he could accumulate enough strength and materiel to attack in conjunction with an attack by Montgomery against the Mareth Line.

Before Montgomery could do this, however, for his army was strung out between Tunisia and Egypt, on Feb. 14, 1943, Rommel sent strong armored forces through the passes in central Tunisia against the U.S. II Corps (formerly known as the Center Task Force) then commanded by Maj. Gen. Lloyd R. Fredendall. Rommel planned to push through the Kasserine Pass, then turn northwestward by way of an Allied supply base at Tebessa to reach the coast and trap the Allied units forward of his line of advance.

In a series of sharp armored actions between Feb. 18-21, Rommels' troops quickly penetrated thinly held U.S. positions and broke through the Kasserine Pass. Although complete success seemed within his grasp, the lack of a unified command structure interfered. First, von Arnim, who was planning to launch his own attack, refused to release an armored division Rommel needed to continue his movement. Then, the Italian High Command, concerned that Rommel did not have enough strength for his planned deep envelopment by way of Tebessa, directed Rommel to turn northward, a much shallower enveloping move.

This latter directive played into Allied hands, for the British by Feb. 21 had established a blocking position astride the only road leading northward. At the height of a clash between Rommel's tanks and a make-shift British force, U.S. Gen. Leroy Irwin's 9th Infantry Division Artillery (minus one of its own battalions but with elements of two infantry regiment cannon companies) reached the area after a four-day, 800-mile uninterrupted march from western Algeria. Irwin soon had his howitzers in positions that had been selected and surveyed earlier by British artillerymen, and assumed command over all of the artillery units then in the vicinity, U.S. and British. On Feb. 22, those howitzers and a small band of British tankers stopped the German advance.

Warned by intelligence reports that the British Eighth Army was about to launch an attack against the Mareth Line positions, Rommel began to withdraw his units. Facing only limited Allied pressure against his rearguards, Rommel was able to withdraw in good order. Shortly thereafter, however, Rommel, physically ailing, left Tunisia on March 9 for Germany. His departure was kept secret and he was never to return. He was succeeded that same day by General von Arnim.

The Axis offensive defeated, and after a thorough reorganization of the British First Army and the U.S. II Corps, the latter, now commanded by Maj. Gen. George S. Patton Jr., launched a diversionary attack toward the rear of the Mareth Line. A few days later, Montgomery's army launched its attack against the line. By the end of the first week in April, the two forces had joined.

With all their forces now operating under the tactical command of British General Sir Harold Alexander, the Allies opened a broad offensive that within a month captured the ports of Bizerte and Tunis and compressed the remaining Axis troops into a small bridgehead covering the Cape Bon peninsula at Tunisia's northeastern tip. The last of some 275,000 Germans and Italians surrendered on May 10, 1943.

Between Nov. 12, 1942, and May 13, 1943, the Allied forces in the Tunisian campaign suffered a total of 70,341 casualties, of which 18,221 were American — 2,715 killed, 8,978 wounded, 6,528 missing.

Although the original Allied strategy had been upset by the delay caused by French resistance and the swift German buildup in Tunisia, the Allied troops achieved victory in six months, which in view of their limited numbers and long lines of communication, was impressive. A few days after the Axis forces surrendered, the first unopposed British naval convoy since 1940 reached the beleaguered island of Malta. I will write more on the Kasserine battles and the overall strategic results of TORCH in later columns.

Al Garland is former editor of Infantry magazine.

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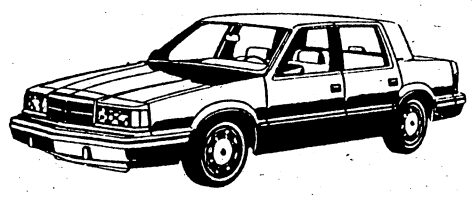

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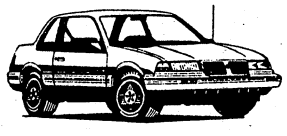

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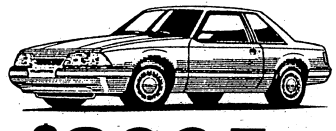

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Benning competing for excellence award

Seeks 'Best Installation in the Army' title

By Jerry Rutledge
Leader Editor

Fort Benning hopes to make a winning impression when the Army Communities of Excellence team visits beginning Tuesday. The post is competing for the Commander-in-Chief's Community of Excellence award, a cash prize of $1.5 million and the label of "Best Installation in the Army."

Benning, named "Best Installation in the Training and Doctrine Command" for extra-large installations last fall, is competing with 13 other installations for the honor.

"While this is a competition, it can be a great way to exchange ideas and methods throughout the Army." — Dave Flo, director of the Benning's Directorate of Resource Management

Dave Flo, the director of the post's Directorate of Resource Management, said the competition is stiffer on this level.

"The TRADOC competition was just TRADOC. It's really just the first leg of the DA (Department of the Army) competition," he said. "Of course, the DA competition is worldwide. The competition is stiffer because you are competing against the best of the best."

While emphasizing that Fort Benning's intention is to win, Flo said that simply being in the competition has a tangible value of its own for the installations involved.

"Even if we don't win, we know we are among the top three best installations in the Army right now," Flo said. "We're competing for best extra-large installation. Fort Benning, Fort Sill (Okla.) and Fort Lewis, Wash. — that's the three installations in our category. But we want to be THE best and that's why we're competing."

Col. Tom White chairs the 11-person ACOE team visiting Fort Benning. White will evaluate the overall ACOE appearance, strategic planning and chaplain. Other members and their areas of evaluation are Lt. Col. Stephen G. Trent, team manager (AAFES, staff judge advocate and public affairs); Roderick M. Bricksin (resource management and financial services); Angela Petrarca (information management); Kathryn Reho (MWR and family support); Sgt. Major Michael L. Engle (military personnel and ACAP); Jack L. Kime (civilian personnel and EEO); Lt. Col. Ronald M. Parker (logistics); Brenda Wilson (housing services and facilities); Johann Grieco (engineering services and facilities); and Col. John F. Pyle (medical/dental services and facilities).

James T. Killilea of TRADOC's Community of Excellence will join the Army team on its visit. Killilea will be observing the DA's evaluation process. Besides Benning, Sill and Lewis, other installations in the competition are Fort Lee, Va., and Redstone Arsenal, Ala., in the CONUS (continental United States) medium category; Red River Army Depot, Texas, and White Sands Missile Range, N.M., in the CONUS small category; Schofield Barracks, Hawaii, and Panama Army Communities of Excellence (PACE), Panama, OCONUS (outside continental U.S.) large category; Karlsrue and Vilseck, West Germany, OCONUS medium category; and Camp Zama, Japan, and Grafenwoehr, West Germany.

Fort Benning's victory in the TRADOC competition did not earn them an automatic berth in the Department of the Army competition. The post had to "apply" for the top level.

"We had to put together a packet for the Department of Army competition," said Sarah McLaney, who coordinates the Fort Benning ACOE effort from Resource Management. "We were competing again when we submitted the nomination packet. We did not know we would be selected. We were picked for the ACOE competition because of the information we presented."

Flo says one of the more important aspects of the competition is the way it examines the method of operation of each area of Fort Benning. "As they take a look at your systems and methods, you get the opportunity to look at and examine them, too," said Flo. "Just because you have done things a certain way for years and years doesn't mean there isn't a better way to do them. Fort Sill might have a better method. We may have a better way of performing some functions than other installations.

"While this is a competition, it can be a great way to exchange ideas and methods throughout the Army."

The team will be looking for Total Army Quality in all phases of Fort Benning's operations, ranging from recreation opportunities for soldiers, their dependents and civilian personnel to the work conditions in the various areas on post.

"We believe our post is the best in the world and we want to impress the Communities of Excellence team of that fact," said McLaney.

Evaluation focus

Areas the Army Communities of Excellence team will be evaluating at Fort Benning during their visit next week are:

1. Strategic planning for service and facility excellence.
2. Public affairs.
3. Engineer services.
4. Information management and facilities.
5. Housing services and facilities.
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PROFILE

Leonard mixes military, medical careers

By Linda Bosley Dailey
Staff Writer

Tommy Leonard Jr. isn't just a citizen soldier. He's a physician soldier.

A pediatrician who is in private practice in Columbus, Leonard is a colonel in the Army Reserve and commander of the 73rd Field Hospital, which is based here in Columbus.

Leonard's late father retired from the Army in 1950 as a sergeant first class after 30 years of service. His late mother was a licensed practical nurse who worked at Fort Benning's Station and Martin Army hospitals for 30 years, most of that time in pediatrics.

Leonard, a Columbus native and Spencer High School graduate, left active duty for the Reserve — and a private medical practice — in 1987, 13 years after going on active duty. But he hasn't left life in the uniform behind.

It was 1969 when Leonard, an ROTC graduate of Tuskegee University, received his commission as a 2nd lieutenant. His entry into active-duty service was deferred, though, so he could attend the Medical College of Georgia for his medical training.

He began his residency at the the Augusta school in 1973 but spent only a year there before going on active duty and being sent to Korea.

Leonard spent two years in Korea as a general medical officer before being transferred to Brooke Army Medical Center in San Antonio to complete the last two years of his residency in pediatrics. He has also since received board certification in the subspecialties of perinatology and neonatology — that is, the care of babies during the last weeks of pregnancy and first weeks after birth.

Mixing the careers of medicine and the military, though, might be considered a natural path for Leonard.

Leonard's late father retired from the Army in 1950 as a sergeant first class after 30 years of service. His late mother was a licensed practical nurse who worked at Fort Benning's Station and Martin Army hospitals for 30 years, most of that time in pediatrics.

Leonard's own interest in pediatrics became apparent during his rotation through the various specialties during medical school.

"I enjoyed it. I wasn't tired. I enjoyed going to work," he said, adding that his work with children and their families seemed give him energy rather than sap his endurance.

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>
> On pursuing his military and medical education

He continues to find his work invigorating and fulfilling. His work days are routinely at least 12 hours long as he divides his time between seeing patients at his office and working in the newborn intensive care unit at the Medical Center.

But his interest in medicine, and specifically in pediatrics, hasn't been his only career focus.

"I've always had a yearning to try to do other things in the military other than just pediatrics," Leonard said.

He has continued to pursue his medical and military education to help him be both a better soldier and a better doctor. He has completed aviation medicine training and graduated from the Command and General Staff College at Fort Leavenworth, he said. He also has taken combat casualty care, strategy and pre-command courses.

But treating soldiers is somewhat different from treating children. "Usually, adults don't scream when you examine them," he joked.

Nevertheless, he believes his work in pediatrics as an Army doctor has helped maintain the readiness of soldiers, Leonard said. Soldiers aren't happy and healthy and focused on their work if their families are not well.

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>
> On the differences between treating adults and children

As a physician, he may not be "wielding a bayonet or shooting people," he said, but he believes he's part of the team that's helping to defend his country — whether he's treating soldiers or their families.

And defending his country is something that is important for Leonard to participate in — not something to be left for the "other guy" to do.

Being in uniform "adds something" to his life, he said of continuing to serve in the armed forces through the Army Reserve. "I've gotten a lot from the military," he said. "It wasn't all giving to the country. I got a feeling from that uniform, a feeling from that association that was good for my life. I hope we both benefited," he said.

A doctor, he said, needs to be appropriately grounded in command in order to blend command with patient care. But if the physician is well-educated in command, then the physician commander can influence both administration and health care positively, he said.

As commander of the 73rd Field Hospital, his job now — in peacetime — is almost completely administrative. But during combat, his duties may include treating patients, he said.

And always, his duties include keeping the 430-450 soldiers in his unit ready — not just to treat patients but also to survive in a combat environment, he said. Last weekend, for example, the 73rd conducted field training that included map reading, radio communications and survival skills for nuclear, biological and chemical warfare.

As a commander, it's his job to take care of his soldiers so they can take care of sick and wounded soldiers, he said.

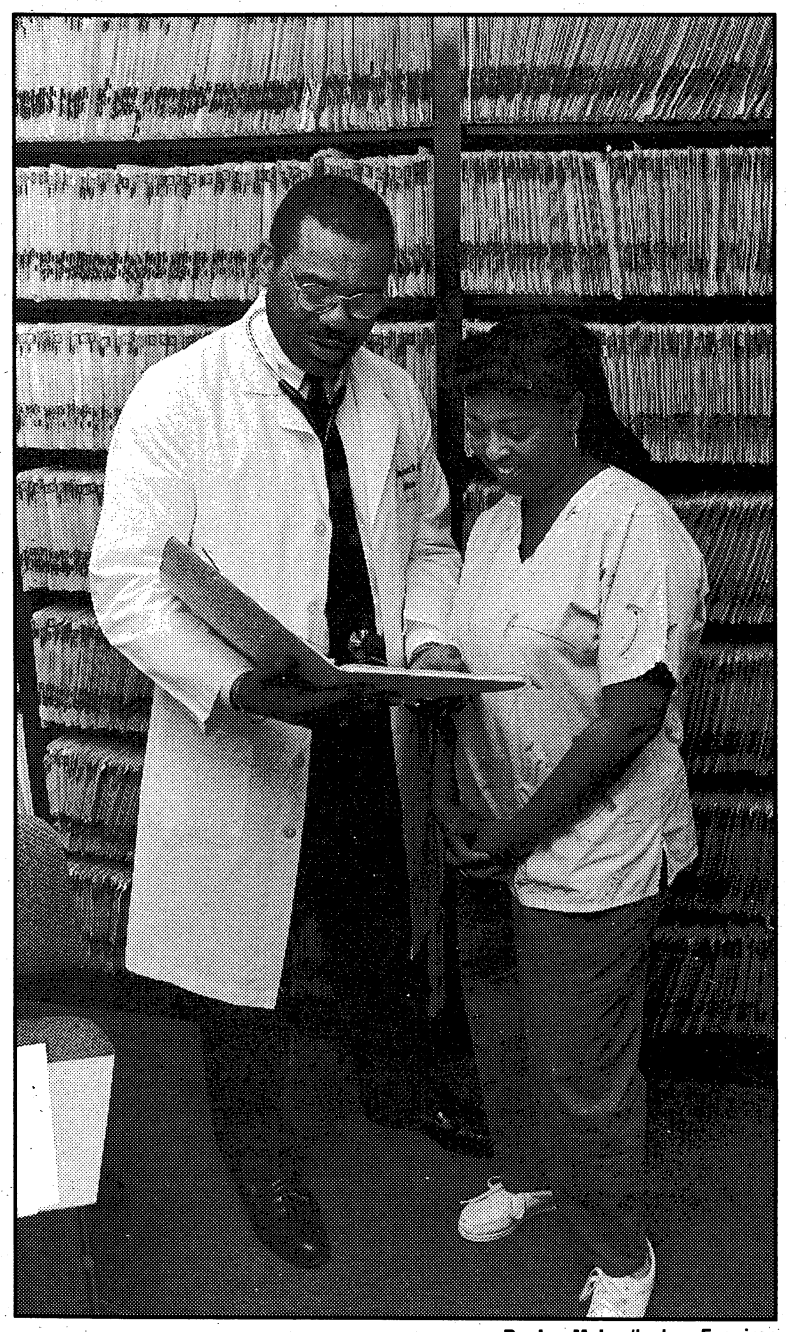
And as a military doctor, Leonard perceives his mission to help the commander of a combat unit conserve the unit's fighting strength and to help him field soldiers who are ready to fight. That is, to help him "put the right power in the right location at the right time," Leonard said.

Being there when needed is a quality that Martin Army Community Hospital officials have come to appreciate in Leonard.

Although now a Reservist, Leonard maintains the credentials he needs to work at the post hospital, and spends one night a week on call for Martin Army.

Leonard also makes himself available to Martin Army at other times, said Lt. Col. (Dr.) Gopal Panvelkar, chief of pediatrics at Martin Army Community Hospital. "He never says no," Panvelkar said, calling Leonard one of the most caring and dedicated doctors he knows.

"I have the highest respect for him," Panvelkar said. "You can count on him for anything."



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Dr. Tommy Leonard reviews a file with assistant Curtrina Ingersoll.

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> On serving in the military

Tommy Leonard Jr.

Occupation: Pediatrician.

Hometown: Columbus.

Education: Tuskegee University and Medical College of Georgia.

Hobbies: Fishing, golfing with his sons, reading.

Family: Wife, Kathleen; children, Franklin, 14, Marshall, 12, Laura, 10, and Tommy III, 22, from a previous marriage.

Coverdell, others to meet with Benning soldiers

Topic to be gays in the military

By Linda Bosley Dailey
Staff Writer

About 125 Fort Benning soldiers will meet Saturday with Sen. Paul Coverdell and other members of Congress to discuss what the troops think of gays serving in the military.

Georgia's junior U.S. senator visited Fort Benning Wednesday — when he announced his weekend meeting — as part of a two-day tour of eight military installations across the state this week.

COVERDELL

Columbus' two new congressmen, Rep. Sanford Bishop, D-Ga., and Rep. Mac Collins, R-Ga., as well as Sen. Phil Gramm, R-Texas, will accompany Coverdell to the weekend meeting with troops, Chris Allen, Coverdell's press secretary, said from Washington early Wednesday.

In comments on other military issues, Coverdell said officials should be wary of further military cuts, and that U.S. troops should not be sent to Bosnia-Herzegovina to help quiet the fighting between ethnic groups there.

Government officials should be cautious about shrinking the armed forces because the U.S. military needs to maintain its strength, Coverdell said.

"We live in a volatile world. The prospects of meeting another Saddam Hussein — maybe even him again — are very real," Coverdell said. Shrinking the military "ought to be a reasoned and very paced process," he said.

It's too early to tell what effect the new round of proposed defense cuts will be, Coverdell said.

Post commander Maj. Gen. Jerry White said he hopes to know in about 10 days how Fort Benning will be affected by the administration's proposed $10.5 billion cut in the Pentagon budget.

Coverdell, a member of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, said U.S. troops should not be sent to Bosnia, where ethnic factions are warring. Instead, the United Nations and Europe need to make greater efforts to stop the fighting.

And although he would not say that he supports supplying arms to the Muslims, Coverdell said, "I would lift the embargo for Bosnia. And I think I would energize force wherever I could, but I fall short of committing American troops."

General stresses NATO's importance

By Jerry Rutledge
Leader Editor

The Soviet Union is gone and the Cold War is a fast-fading memory for most of the American public. The United States, however, can't afford to drastically weaken its military presence in a still unstable European continent, says an Air Force general.

HOBSON

Maj. Gen. James L. Hobson Jr., deputy chief of staff for Operations and Transportation with the Air Mobility Command, says ethnic and economic strife in the Balkans and the former Soviet republics keeps Europe in a volatile state.

"Everywhere I traveled in Europe, I sensed concern over the impact of Muslim fanaticism on peace and stability," Hobson told an audience at the Rotary Club of Columbus' monthly meeting this week at the Columbus Trade and Convention Center.

"It is this instability and the possibility of the spillover of these conflicts to our traditional allies that defines the new threat. This is the environment that Europe finds itself in today."

Hobson, who recently completed three years in Europe as commander of the 322nd Airlift Division at Ramstein Air Base and the 435th Airlift Wing, Rhein-Main Air Base in Germany, said that of the organizations grappling to find new roles in the constantly changing European equation, NATO has been the most effective and must be preserved.

"NATO remains our best hope," he said. "Only NATO has the long history of solidarity, combined with the military capability, that translates into a deterrent that is key to its success."

In an era where budget cuts are a fact of life and Congress is continually searching for the elusive "peace dividend" to be realized from the collapse of European Communism, a drawdown in the American military presence both at home and abroad is inevitable.

But in his speech on Wednesday, Hobson said America owes it to the European people and the American servicemen who made long-term obligations to serve on the continent not to gut U.S. forces there. "There is no substitute (as a deterrent) for visible U.S. forward presence in Europe as a part of the NATO alliance," he said.

Hobson said the civil war in Bosnia, Operation Southern Watch (enforcing no-fly zones in northern and southern Iraq) and Operation Restore Hope in Somalia are a few examples of how a continued forward presence by the military can pay dividends in the post-Cold War world.

"European-based troops and equipment are playing vital roles in both operations," said the general. "In the case of Restore Hope, European facilities are supporting the airlift and transport of troops and relief items."

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The day will focus on the school's goal to enhance the ability of students to solve problems using clear, logical thinking.

The "Youth Mathematician's Conference," as it has been named, will be for kindergarten through fifth-grade classes. Students will attend sessions with visiting teachers and community leaders.

Presenters from Alabama, Columbus and Fort Benning have been invited to participate. Each presenter will host two sessions relating problem-solving and math to their particular occupations or areas of interest.

ENGINE EXCHANGE: The Arts and Crafts Automotive Centers now offer an engine and transmission exchange program.

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For more information, call the Main Post Auto Crafts Center at 545-2337 or the Kelley Hill Auto Crafts Center at 544-3101.

HEALTH SUPPORT: A cardiac and diabetic support group will meet Feb. 22 at 6 p.m. in the Baugh Conference Room (second floor) of Martin Army Community Hospital. Bowling will be at the bowling center at the Main Mall Tuesday and Feb. 23 at 5:30 p.m.

For more information, call Thomas E. Valitzski at 561-3077.

READING RETREAT: Wilson School's fourth-grade students and parents are invited to a parent-child reading retreat Feb. 5 from 6 to 8:30 p.m. at Wilson School.

Fourth-grade teachers have planned an evening of varied activities to include a play, a drama game, a sing-along and guest storyteller Rosa Childs.

Each child and parent will spend time reading to each other. Parents will be given tips for encouraging and helping children enjoy and improve their reading for pleasure and information.

FBMA LUNCHEON: The Fort Benning Management Association will feature guest speaker Charlie Golden of the Columbus Police Department's Gang Task Force Feb. 18 at 11:30 a.m. at the Officers' Club.

Tickets are $5 and can be purchased from Sadie Dennis, Building 2608, 545-1456; Mary Allen, Building 2617, 545-4902; Robin Dennis, Meloy Hall, 545-4246; or Judy Hodder, Building 65, 545-4610. The deadline for ticket purchase is Feb. 12.

COLLEGE INFORMATION: Representatives from Chattahoochee Valley Community College, Columbus College and Troy State University will be at the Main Mall, Feb. 12, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Representatives will discuss admission procedures, starting date for spring quarter, financial aid and veterans' benefits.

The Army Continuing Education System will have a counselor available to answer questions about tuition assistance and to explain services offered to active-duty military members.

For more information, call Rosabelle Milligan at 689-8668.

DENTAL HEALTH MONTH: The dental professionals of Columbus and Fort Benning invite the public to a Community Health Fair at Peachtree Mall Feb. 13 from noon to 4 p.m. The fair will feature free dental screenings for 13-year-olds and under, puppet shows, clowns, games and more.

CODEPENDENCY GROUP: A codependency group meets at Community Mental Health Service. It is open to both active-duty personnel and family members. A screening interview is required.

For more information, call Capt. Michelina Regazzi or 1st Lt. Steve Lewis at 545-1717 or 545-2587.

AUTO CRAFTS: The Main Post Auto Crafts Center hours are: Monday and Tuesday closed; Wednesday through Friday, 1:30 to 9 p.m.; Saturday and Sunday, 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

AA: The Fort Benning Alcoholics Anonymous group meets every Monday, Thursday and Saturday at 7 p.m. in the basement of the Directorate of Community Activities, Building 241. Entrance is in the rear of the building.

CAR CARE: The hours of operation for the Car Care Center, Building 1624, are now Monday to Friday from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Saturday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and closed on Sundays.

MEDICAL

Former patients at Army hospital accused of fraud

Associated Press

FORT GORDON, Ga. — Up to 14 former patients at Eisenhower Army Medical Center face federal charges of filing fraudulent supplemental medical insurance claims and pocketing the proceeds.

Two people have been charged with falsifying official statements, fraud pertaining to medical treatment and larceny of government funds, said Lt. Col. Bandy, chief of Eisenhower's Patient Administration Division.

Eisenhower began investigating the former patients about four months ago after being notified by an insurance company that it had paid about $170,000 in claims, Janice McCorkle, Eisenhower's public information officer, said Monday.

"The people had supplemental insurance policies and ... they were staying here paying like $8 a day for meals and going home and filing claims with the insurance company for thousands of dollars," she said.

Eisenhower has not released the name of the insurance company.

Spencer to observe Black History Month

Spencer High School will observe Black History Month, "Expressing Black History Through Cultural Arts."

The program/agenda is:

■ **Tuesday, Feb. 23** — Black Musical Festival. This festival will feature a variety of musical guests from the community. The music will include Negro spirituals, rock, pop, jazz, etc.

■ **Wednesday, Feb. 24** — Hour of Black History. During the second period of the day (8:42 to 9:30), each class will present an Hour of Black History in their classrooms. This hour will be spent in a variety of ways. There will be silent reading, films, guest speakers and the presentation of essays.

■ **Thursday, Feb. 25** — Black Cultural Arts Fair. Each department within Spencer High School will be responsible for creating and setting up a display. The displays are to be student-oriented under teachers' supervision and are to express students' interpretations of the meaning of Black History.

All entries, which are to be judged by a panel of outside judges, will be displayed in the Business and English halls of Spencer High School.

The public is invited to view the displays. The fair will begin at 9 a.m. and end for guests at noon. The student body will be given the opportunity to view the displays later in the day.

WW II 50TH ANNIVERSARY

Fifty years ago this week in North Africa, German forces launched a successful attack against U.S. Army positions in Tunisia. Starting in the Faid Pass area and assaulting westward, the attacking force broke through the defenses, eventually penetrating approximately 18 miles behind the initial American lines. Within a matter of only a few days, the Germans captured Gasfa, Feriana, Kasserine and Sbeitla.

Here, according to research by the Military History Division at Fort Benning, were the top news items of the week 50 years ago:

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Also in Tunisia, Britain's Eighth Army, commanded by Field Marshal Bernard Montgomery, occupied Ben Gadane, Medenine and Foum Tatahouine.

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On the Eastern Front, the Soviet army continued its unyielding advance through Russia, capturing Krasnodar, Krasnoarmeisk, Voroschilovsk, Shakty, Novo Shakty, Novo Cherkassk, Likhaya, Zerovo, Voroshilovgrad, Krasny Sulin and Kharkov.

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In the U.S., the battleship Richelieu, the cruiser Montcalm, and several other French warships arrived for repairs and servicing to include refitting.

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Also in the U.S., Madame Chiang Kai-shek spoke to both the Senate and Congress, addressing the current situation in China as the country resisted complete Japanese occupation.

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In France, the Vichy cabinet announced that general labor compulsion would begin for all citizens between the ages of 20 and 22.

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Fort Benning hosted a Mexican platoon in the United States to receive training in the intricacies of warfare by American instructors. One such instructor was Lt. Arthur Siegel, who had the responsibility of teaching the platoon how to operate and maintain American weapons.

Sources include: Chronology and Index of the Second World War, 1938-1945, and The Bayonet.

FYI

The Springer Opera House, 103 Tenth St., is one of the finest examples of 19th century theater architecture and has been designated the state theater of Georgia. For tour information, call 324-5714. Call 327-3688 for information about coming events.

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Martin Army Community Hospital provides on-post ambulance service for emergencies. Call 544-3911.

DEFENSE

Military leaders offer cuts

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Military leaders say they are willing to retire an aging aircraft carrier and other weaponry, reduce their ranks and postpone some purchases in order to meet President Clinton's goal of slashing defense spending by another $10.8 billion next year.

Their recommendations were part of a package of suggested budget cuts delivered to Defense Secretary Les Aspin this week, said Pentagon officials who spoke on condition of anonymity.

Aspin told the military services and other top Pentagon agencies to come up with their suggestions for belt-tightening in preparation for a new Clinton spending plan.

The cuts are to come from a $267.8 billion military budget that former President Bush and his defense secretary, Dick Cheney, envisioned for the fiscal year that begins Oct. 1.

Aspin sent a memorandum to the services last week as preparation for the new Clinton budget, giving them six days to submit recommendations for cutting expenses.

The recommendations include stopping the overhaul of the aircraft carrier USS Forrestal, which is currently in the Philadelphia Naval Shipyard. Among other suggestions for belt-tightening, the Navy has proposed decommissioning about a dozen other ships in the coming year, retiring more of its aging carrier-based A-6 bombers and delaying engine purchases for future aircraft.

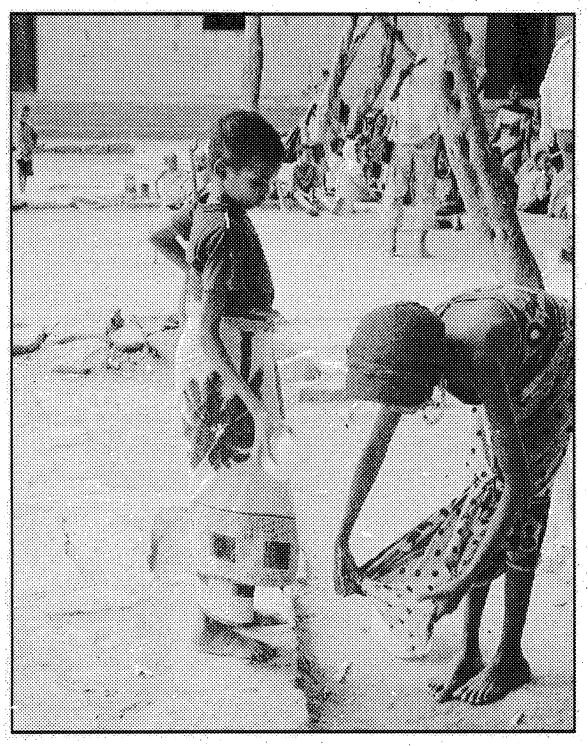
The Strategic Defense Initiative, also known as Star Wars, will cut back on its so-called Brilliant Pebbles space-based defense and focus more on ground-based anti-missile defenses.

The Air Force is suggesting that it stop orders on its F-16 fighters while the Army is planning to hasten preparations for retiring two active divisions and increasing its personnel cuts through early retirements and taking in fewer recruits.

As the largest service with 601,000 men and women in uniform, the Army is expected to slash its ranks to as low as 520,000 by the end of the decade.

FYI

The Information, Ticketing and Registration office is located in Building 247, on Ingersoll Street. Hours of operation are Monday through Friday 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. and during the summer months, Saturday 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.



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RELIGION

Graham 'used of God' with presidents

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Evangelist Billy Graham says he's used his friendships with a long line of presidents and other powerful men to speak God's word to them.

GRAHAM

"Always, in the back of my mind, I said, 'This is a way to serve God, not only to influence them spiritually and religiously, but to influence the people that they influence,'" he told PBS' David Frost in a recent interview.

"And second, that this is a voice that they don't hear. Very few people will tell the president about spiritual things and religious things or have prayer with him, and I felt that this was a way that God used me, and I felt I was a servant of God when I was with these people."

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NEW YORK — The conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations has asked Jewish organizations throughout the country to conduct vigils in behalf of Israeli servicemen missing in action or held captive in the Middle East.

Noting that some Israeli soldiers have been missing for more than 10 years, the conference embracing 50 national Jewish organizations said "their fate continues to be shrouded in mystery."

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WASHINGTON — President Clinton, in lifting restrictions on federal abortion counseling and fetal research, hastened "America's drift toward neo-paganism," says the head of the Southern Baptist social concerns agency.

The Rev. Richard Land said the steps will be viewed in history and when the "American government began its descent into a grotesque and obscene exploitation of human life in the name of 'medical progress' unlike the world has known since the barbarism of Hitler's Germany."

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WASHINGTON — Measures have been introduced again in Congress to restore prayer to public school classrooms. Such measures have been routinely introduced for several years.

The Supreme Court in 1962 barred school-sponsored prayer.

At least four of the new measures propose "voluntary prayer," saying the Constitution should allow school prayer as long as no one is forced to participate and the state does not prescribe the prayer.

IN BRIEF

Muslims' month of fasting to begin this month

Ramadan, the holy month of fasting for the people of the Al-Islamic faith, is expected to begin the evening of Feb. 21, the first evening that the new moon is due to set after sundown.

Beginning the following morning, Muslims all over the world will abstain from eating, drinking (even water), sexual gratification and smoking each day from first light until sundown.

This period of abstinence includes refraining from loud talk, arguments, frivolity and other displays of emotion; it is designed to keep Muslims' minds focused on spirituality.

For more information, call Imam Yahya Ansar Islam of Masjid Al-Nur Islamic Community at 689-6922 or write to Al-Muhsee Muhammad at 1233 Garrett St., Indianhead, Fort Benning, Ga. 31905.

"LIFE GIVING LOVE": — The Military Council of Catholic Women are presenting a series of talks by Scott and Kimberly Hahn and Dr. Thomas Zepeda. The series is titled "Life Giving Love," a series discovering the meaning of Christian sex and marriage. Dr. Zepeda will speak about birth control from a physician's perspective Feb. 17. The series will be held from 9:30 a.m. until noon at the Infantry Center Annex. Child care is free of charge. For more information, call Teresa Zepeda at 682-3918 or Jackie Place at 689-6496.

"BIBLE BOOTCAMP" — PARTY, the youth group for children 4 years old through sixth grade, will start a new series of materials and now will be called "Bible Bootcamp." It will give children a "Basic Course in God's Army," teaching them who their commander in chief is, how to study their "training manual," what to wear for battle and the weapons to use in "spiritual warfare."

Children can be enrolled now for games, crafts, videos and snacks to meet from 1 until 3:15 p.m. at the Religious Education Center, building 2522 on Thorson Road behind Quartermaster Laundry. Future dates are: Feb. 27; March 13, 27; April 10, 24; May 8 and 22.

For registration or more information, call Margaret Alberici at 689-1164.

SUPPORT GROUP: A support group for adult survivors of sexual abuse was to start Feb. 5 from noon until 1:30 p.m. and run every Wednesday through April 14 at the Chaplains Family Life Center, Soldier's Plaza, building 2606. For more information, contact Chaplain (Maj.) James Rayburn at 545-1760.

PREBAPTISM CLASS: A prebaptism class will be Feb. 21 and March 24 at 1 p.m. at the Religious Education Center, Buildings 2517 and 2522, located off Indianhead Road, behind the Quartermaster Laundry.

There are three sessions in each cycle. All parents who wish to have their child or children baptized in the Catholic church are required to attend prebaptismal instruction. To register, call Phil Reilly at 545-4715.

PROTESTANT WOMEN: Protestant Women of the Chapel meets 9:30 to 11:45 a.m. each Thursday in Building 2521. Baby-sitting is provided free of charge in adjacent Building 2517. These buildings are located just off Indianhead Road and Thorson Street.

MEGASKILLS: The Chaplains' Family Life Center and Columbus College will present workshops for parents and children Feb. 17 and 24 and March 10, 17, 24 and 31 from 11 a.m. to noon at the Chaplains' Family Life Center.

For more information, call Chaplain (Maj.) James Rayburn at 545-1760.

PWOC to begin Spring Bible Studies

Protestant Women of the Chapel will begin its Spring Bible Studies Feb. 11. Four separate classes are offered: James; Becoming a Woman of Freedom; Lord, I Want to Know You; and The Search for Significance.

PWOC meets 9:30-11:45 a.m. each Thursday in Building 2521. Baby-sitting is provided free of charge in adjacent Building 2517. These buildings are located just off of Indianhead Road and Thorson Street. For more information, contact Gwen Chandler at 682-5546 or Loree Smith at 685-0809.

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COVER STORY

More work awaits 36th Group in Somalia

By Clint Claybrook
Staff Writer

MOGADISHU, Somalia — There's more work ahead for Fort Benning's 36th Engineer Group in Somalia.

Work on the 800 miles of mostly dirt roads the engineers were originally ordered to repair or rebuild in order to speed relief supplies to famine-wracked outposts of this African bush country is on schedule and should be completed by Feb. 28, according to Col. Philip Anderson, the 36th Group commander.

Last week, however, new orders came down telling these Fort Benning troops they will be required to build some semi-permanent living quarters for soldiers in Bardera, a mosquito-infested town where Marines — the first troops there — have come down with at least 40 cases of malaria, according to the Army.

Anderson said late last week his "vertical construction" crews have been ordered to build semipermanent facilities to accommodate U.N. coalition forces who may remain in Somalia long after the 36th Group soldiers come home.

The colonel said there may be some U.S. engineer forces left in Somalia for six to 12 months after his main force pulls out.

Those facilities will include showers, latrines, strong-backed (wooden-framed) tents and maybe other base camp improvements, Anderson said. Those facilities need to be in place before the rainy season starts, Anderson said — and that could mean by early March.

"If we get the supplies we need, I think we can do that," he said.

He said further improvements on roads the engineers already have reworked at least once will include some ditching and other drainage work, perhaps including building a crown on portions of these dirt road to help cut down on wash-outs.

The colonel said he was working last week to determine how many troops and how much equipment must be left behind to keep up maintenance on the roads his crews have built or reworked.

He said there may be some U.S. engineer forces left in Somalia for six to 12 months after his main force pulls out, along with the equipment needed for road maintenance.

Comforts of home distant for troops

By Clint Claybrook
Staff Writer

MOGADISHU, Somalia — "Austere" is how Col. Philip Anderson describes living conditions for his troops scattered out over several hundred miles of Africa.

Most 36th Engineer Group soldiers here are making do with two Meals-Ready-to-Eat (MRE) a day and a hot meal of the T-Rations variety at night — except that there's been almost no variety in that meal. Several soldiers said last week that on 20 of the 21 days they've been here, chicken has been the evening meal entree.

There's chicken cacciatore, chicken ala king or just plain chicken breasts. A major who knows his way around the Army's logistics system says there's a simple reason for the lack of variety among the T-Rations. "Some lazy S.O.B at an Army supply depot is just loading his front-end loader up from one shelf, whereas if he'd just go to three or four different shelves, these soldiers could have a variety of entrees," he said.

There is, however, some variety among the vegetables the troops get with hot meals — cut green beans, rice, carrots, English peas and sweet and Irish potatoes. They're all of the canned variety. Fresh pears and apples, imported, and a slice of dry pound cake, chocolate marble cake or chocolate pudding adds a little flavor to the evening meal.

Sometimes there's hot water for coffee in the mornings, sometimes not. On occasion, there's dry cereal for breakfast, which goes down well with the milk the Army buys in little paper cartons.

A logistics officer says supply has been a problem here, at least in part because the Army has been depending on the Marine Corps for everything from cigarettes to personal hygiene items like throw-away razors. The Army is about to take over the logistics effort, and soldiers say that should make cigarettes, at least, a little more readily available.

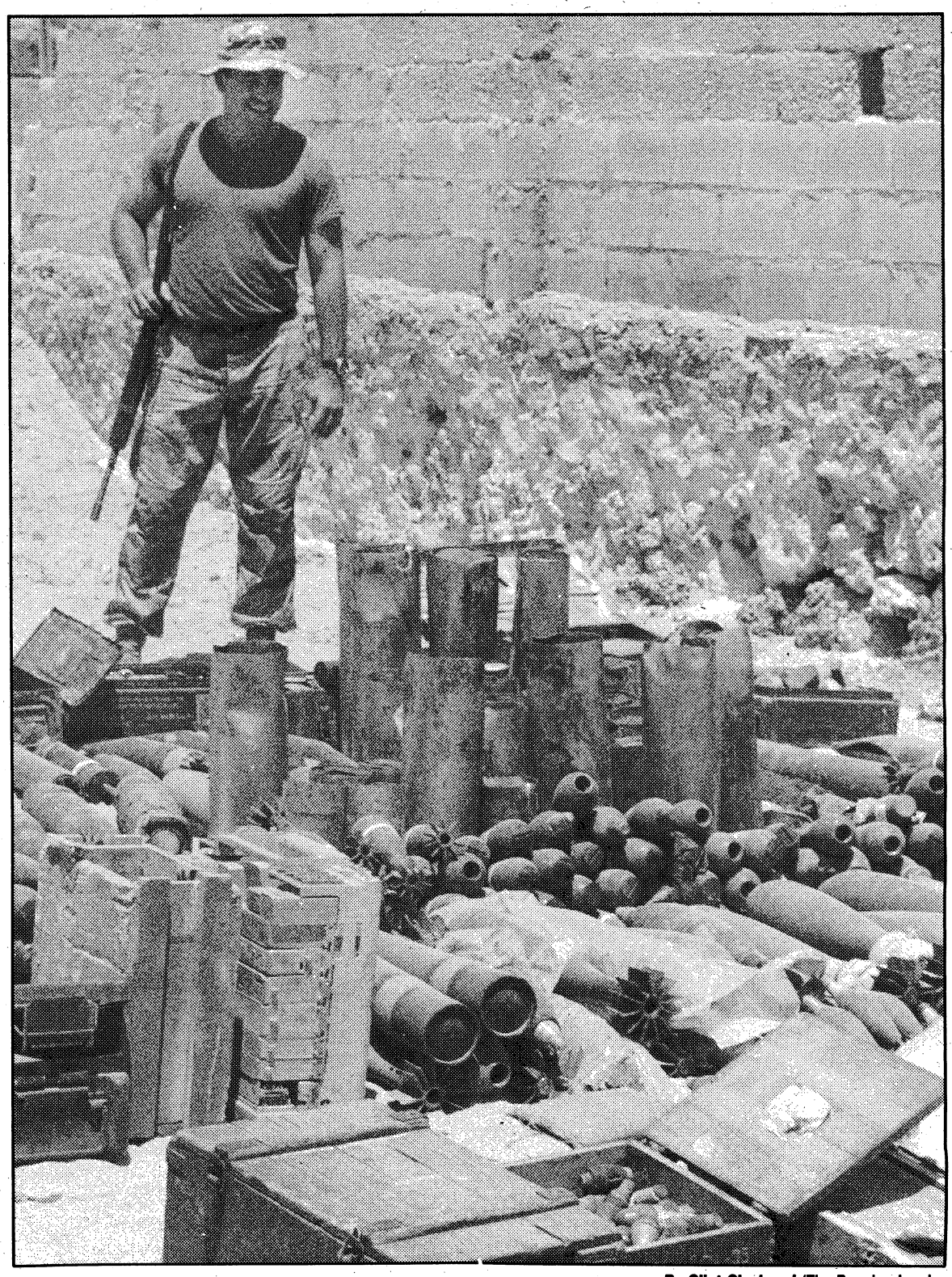
The basics are here. There's plenty of bottled water, some of it coming from Georgia and some more from the United Arab Emirates and other places. The engineer's organic equipment contains enough generators that nobody sleeps in unlighted tents or abandoned Somali buildings.

These 950 or so Fort Benning soldiers are not seeing fresh vegetables, canned soft drinks or the other little goodies that were available "on the economy" during the several months these soldiers spent in the desert of Saudi Arabia while getting ready for the invasion of Iraq. Troops are told not to eat locally grown foodstuffs,and to stay away from locally procured water until it has been run through the Army's reverse-osmosis purification process.

Lt. Col. Dwight Durham, commander of a task force that is operating out of Jilib, acknowledges the austere nature of living conditions here. "The one thing I promised myself was that I wouldn't make them (the troops) sleep in the dirt," he said.

About the cover

A Somali woman at an orphanage in Baidoa, Somalia, washes out her dress with water poured from a small urn by the youngster at left, highlighting the scarcity of both water and clothing in this famine-wracked nation. A Fort Benning soldier is seen visiting with the children in the background of this photo by Clint Claybrook.



By Clint Claybrook/The Benning Leader

First Lt. Brian Clubb looks over weapons and ammunition impounded from or voluntarily turned in by Somalis near Mogadishu. His platoon, part of Fort Benning's 608th Ordnance Company, is charged with keeping track of ammunition belonging to the Army and the Marine Corps, in addition to impounded weapons and ammunition.

Black history lives in Atlanta's 'Sweet Auburn'

By Don Melvin
Fort Lauderdale Sun-Sentinel

ATLANTA — If you like your history under glass, confined to a museum to be puzzled over as distant and quaint, do not visit Auburn Avenue.

But if you like your history gritty and alive, connecting what used to be with what is now, then come.

Here, black Americans can see and feel a history that speaks not of servitude, but of success.

But if you like your history gritty and alive, connecting what used to be with what is now, then come.

The sights and sounds of a vibrant slice of black history in America still echo here.

A life insurance company founded by a former slave still thrives, the second-largest black-owned insurance company in the nation. The oldest black-owned daily newspaper in the country still publishes. The church where Martin Luther King Jr. followed his father and grandfather into the pulpit still holds services every Sunday, continuing a chain of prayer stretching almost from the end of Reconstruction to the present.

No bone-white artifacts here.

In the 1930s, the area was dubbed "Sweet Auburn" because money flowed through the district like honey. From the early part of the century, well before integration, until about 1960, it was a center of black entrepreneurial activity.

In 1957, Fortune magazine called Auburn Avenue "the richest Negro street in the world." And it is now a draw for tourists from all over the country: Nearly 3 million visitors came here last year.

"It is a pilgrimage for a lot of African-Americans whose forebears left the South after the Civil War and moved to Northern cities," says Daryl Toor, a spokesman for the Atlanta Convention and Visitors Bureau. "Their children want to get a sense of where they come from."

But it is more than that. Here, black Americans can see and feel a history that speaks not of servitude, but of success.

"People are fascinated, because they can come back and see living examples of the black success," said Herman "Skip" Mason Jr., editor of a newly published pictorial history of black Atlanta. "Here on Auburn Avenue, you are immersed in what this American dream is all about."

A walking tour of the Sweet Auburn district — and this really should be done on foot — begins a short distance from the pseudo-history of Underground Atlanta.

Start at the intersection of Courtland Street and Auburn Avenue, and you will see at once the juxtaposition of past and present. On this block stands the white-columned front of the Atlanta Life Insurance Company, founded in 1905 by Alonzo Herndon, a former slave and one of Atlanta's wealthiest barbers.

Next to it stands the modernistic white stone and glass structure that houses the insurance company today.

Across the street, stop in at the APEX museum (for African-American Panoramic Experience). The museum displays African art and rotating exhibits of local and national black artists.

Walk down Auburn Avenue with the skyscrapers of downtown at your back. Notice, two or three times per block on either side of the street, the historic "Freedom Walk" markers.

Farther down the street stands Ebenezer Baptist Church. The church was founded in 1886, soon after the end of Reconstruction, to combat bigotry. Here, as much as anywhere on this street, one can sense the unbroken line of history.

King's maternal grandfather, A.D. Williams, became pastor in 1894. Martin Luther King Sr. started preaching here in 1931. King himself, the youngest man ever to win the Nobel Peace Prize, preached here from 1960 until his assassination in 1968.

Just beyond the church, King's white marble tomb lies on display, a place of pilgrimage and renewal for many Americans.

And a block beyond that, the yellow wooden Queen Anne style house with dark trim in which King was born. He lived in the house until he was 12 years old.

It is to visit these sites, King's birthplace and his resting place, that many people come to Auburn Avenue in the first place. But by the time a visitor reaches those spots, the street has taught him something already.

It is this: that Martin Luther King Jr. was no fluke, no aberration. He did not rise up, brilliant and wise, out of nothing.

Instead, he sprang from a church that has fought bigotry now for more than a century. He was nurtured in a place where black achievement was common, where leadership and accomplishment were all around him.

He was exceptional, of course. But he was to some extent, too, a true son of Auburn Avenue.

Associated Press

Martin Luther King Jr.'s white marble tomb lies in Atlanta on display, a place of pilgrimage and renewal for many Americans.

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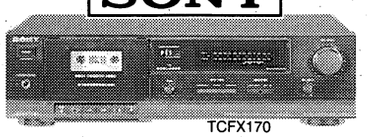

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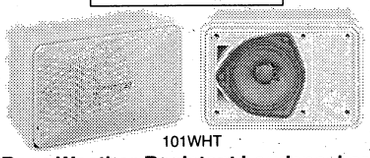

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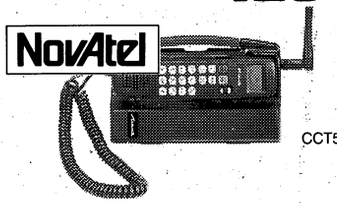

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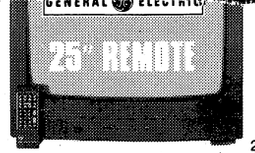

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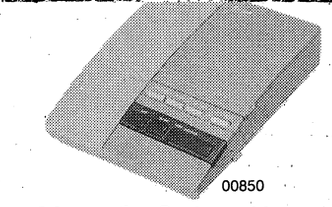

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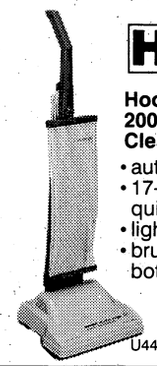

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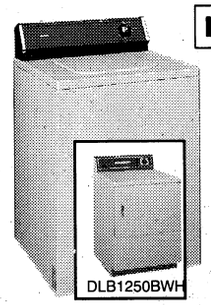

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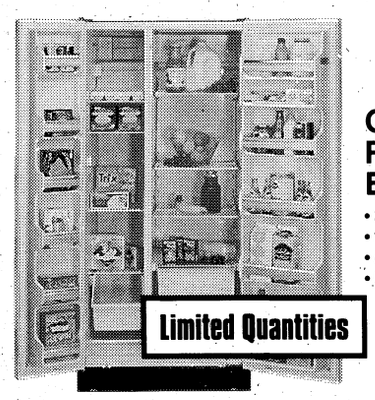

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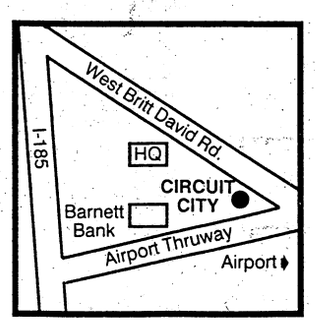

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'Loaded Weapon' shooting blanks for laughs

By Desmond Ryan
Knight-Ridder News Service

In "National Lampoon's Loaded Weapon I" the ammunition consists mostly of dumb-dumb bullets. Unfortunately, most of them are blanks.

There are moments of amusement and comic invention in director Gene Quintano's movie, and you can at least say that the jokes — good, bad and mostly indifferent — come in fusillades. If you don't care for one gag, there isn't time to worry because the next one is already on screen.

The key problem with this weapon is its target. There are spoofs of Sharon Stone's sans-panty contribution to "Basic Instinct" and slaps at assorted other cop movies, but the main object of parody is the hugely successful "Lethal Weapon" series. And that's the problem. It's hard to poke your tongue out at movies that are themselves tongue-in-cheek.

In much the same trajectory the James Bond films traveled after Roger Moore took over from Sean Connery, the "Lethal Weapon" outings have degenerated into self-deprecating live-action cartoons. Mel Gibson has taken the classic burned-out cop to the point of incineration and all that "Loaded Weapon" can do is kick over the ashes.

REVIEW

The movie is livened up by the kind of cameos that are becoming increasingly fashionable. Scottie (James Doohan) from "Star Trek" shows up to try to boost the precinct cappuccino machine with more power; Whoopi Goldberg is a murder victim who gives directions for avoiding freeway gridlock as she expires; F. Murray Abraham offers a bizarre take on Anthony Hopkins' Hannibal the Cannibal in "The Silence of the Lambs"; Dr. Joyce Brothers is a ruthless coroner; and Charlie Sheen is a valet parking attendant. And so on.

But the burden of carrying "Loaded Weapon" falls to Sheen's brother, Emilio Estevez, as the soused and gun-crazy detective Jack Colt. Fortified by a breakfast that blends vodka, bourbon and Irish whiskey with just that needed dash of chocolate syrup, Colt goes out to battle the hoods of L.A. His partner is Wes Luger (Samuel L. Jackson in the Danny Glover role).

Their nemesis is Gen. Mortars (none other than William Shatner in a literally scenery-chewing performance) and his racket has something to do with cocaine-laced Girl Scout cookies. Colt's real antecedent is, of course, Leslie Nielsen's Lt. Frank Drebin in the infinitely better "Naked Gun." Estevez doesn't have that precise and underrated deadpan that Nielsen used to such hilarious effect in "Naked Gun."

"Loaded Weapon" is actually several bullets shy of a load and its generally low-caliber wit is epitomized by Shatner's spoof of Gibson's celebrated shooting of an aquarium. Shatner sticks his face in the water and consumes a piranha. All "Loaded Weapon" does is beat a dead horse.

Emilio Estevez wears the latest in battle-front fashions, accented by a pearl necklace, in 'National Lampoon's Loaded Weapon I.'

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70 Small
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78 Except if
80 Neck growth
81 Actress Bette —
83 Dickens girl
84 Hanoi holiday
87 Gangster Al —
90 Took an oath
92 Literary composition
94 Roll-call response
95 Make a speech
96 Voucher
97 Western movie: slang
98 Canary's kin
99 Meditate
100 —-— job: office occupation
103 Spiritualist session
104 Young pig
105 "— we all?"
106 Born earlier
107 Withdraw
108 Remove doubts from
110 Spirited horse
111 Behind the — ball
112 Play on words
113 — beer
115 Actress Turner
116 Sunken fence
120 Peculiar
124 Baghdad's land
126 Argue about prices
128 La —, Bolivia
129 Hidden supply
130 Lively tune
132 Not competent
134 Characteristic
136 Liquor flavoring
137 To shelter
138 Truly
139 Rich cake
140 Doomed one
141 Social misfit
142 Distributed
143 Caper

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18 Words of understanding
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42 Wild party
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45 Bank abbr.
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48 Artist's prop
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50 Settle a loan from
51 Sipping tube
52 Cognizant
53 Poet Sidney —
54 Avoid
55 Lincoln bill
58 Singer Brooks
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71 Carpenter's tool
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74 Lend — —: listen
76 Overact
78 Racing name
79 Author of "Tristram Shandy"
81 — on: idolize
82 — with a kiss
85 Writer Jong
86 Doctrine
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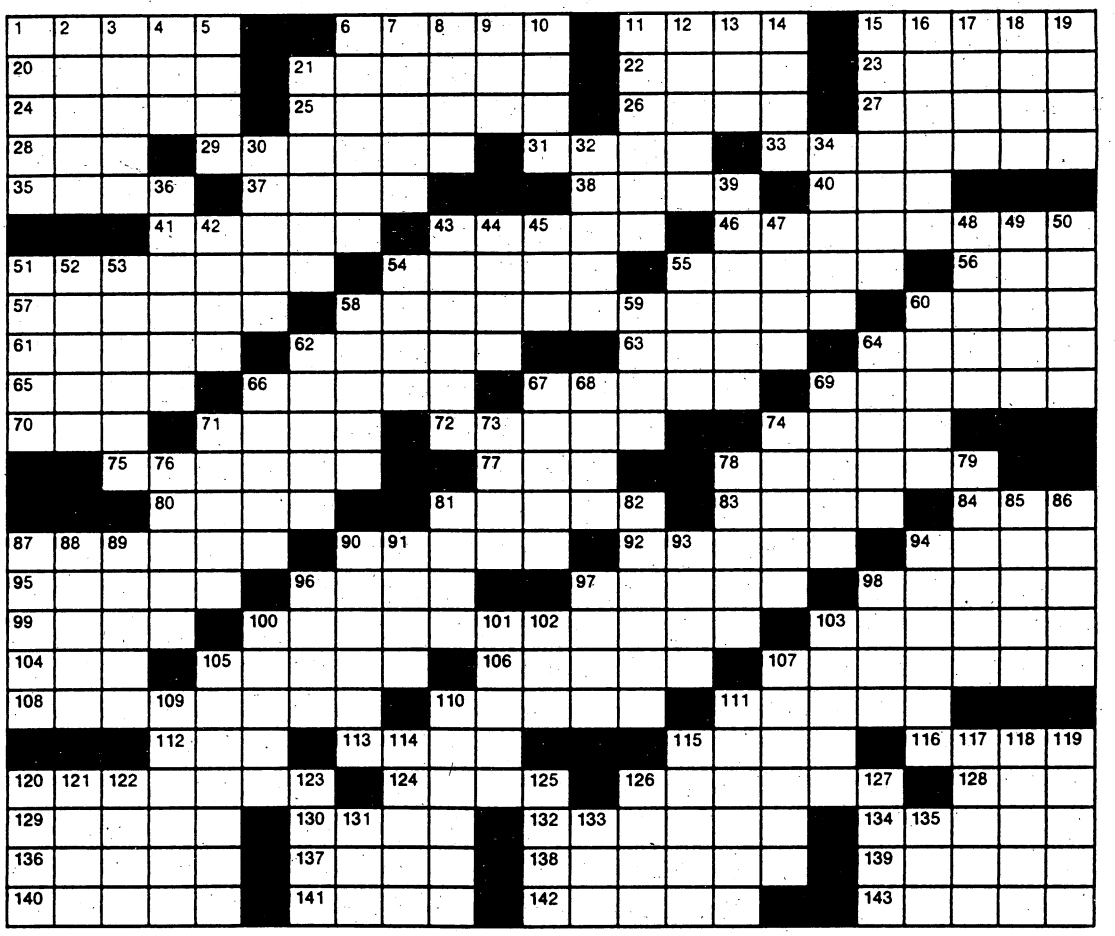

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At the movies

Listings for Feb. 12-18

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Dracula (R) 7 p.m., Sand Hill

Toys (PG-13) 7 p.m., Main Post

Traces of Red (R) 9:15 p.m., Main Post

SATURDAY

Dracula (R) 2 p.m., Sand Hill

Hero (PG-13) 2 p.m., Main Post

Candyman (R) 6:30 p.m., Sand Hill

Night and the City (R) 7 p.m., Main Post

Trespass (R) 9:15 p.m., Main Post

SUNDAY

Honeymoon in Vegas (PG-13) 2 p.m., Sand Hill

Hero (PG-13) 2 p.m., Main Post

Rampage (R) 4 p.m., Sand Hill

Trespass (R) 7 p.m., Main Post

MONDAY

Under Siege (R) 7 p.m., Main Post

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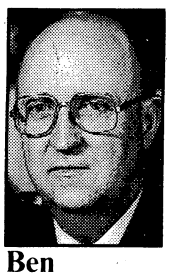
COMMENTARY

There must be incentives to retain Army's best

That great warrior General Creighton was heard to have said, "The Army is People" when discussing the Army as an institution.

The outstanding personnel that we have in the U.S. Army today did not just happen. It resulted from establishing high standards for recruitment, enlistment, and re-enlistment; a philosophy of leadership and training to challenge and develop soldiers; the recognition that compensation for military service should provide the incentives to retain highly qualified personnel as well as provide an acceptable quality for life for service members and their families; and a compensation package consistent with service in overseas and high cost-of-living area, frequent relocations, family separation due to "short tour" duty assignments, and more competitive with the private sector. All of these areas have not been met, but improvement has been made in the past decade.



Ben Register

As informed taxpayers, military personnel are aware of the federal deficit and the economic situation in this country. The Association of the United States Army also recognizes that to maintain a smaller and fully capable force requires the incentives for outstanding young men and women to serve. As a result, the national convention adopted a resolution at the October 1992 meeting covering Military Compensation, Benefits and Special Allowances. This resolution is as follows:

AUSA Resolution 93-12 — Military compensation, benefits and special allowances:

The military compensation package must provide a full set of incentives to attract quality people willing to face the challenges and dangers of military service. The Army will face increased competition in its recruiting and retention efforts for uniquely qualified young people. Central to this effort is a compensation package that is competitive with the private sector.

Comparability of pay was established by the Uniformed Services Pay and Benefits Act of 1981. Military pay, however, trails the private sector with no indication of any significant catch-up in the near future.

Failure to recognize the correlation of incentives to successful recruiting and retention will jeopardize the attainment of quality force objectives. Housing, relocation, enlistment, reenlistment, and education incentives must be retained. To retain the best people, adequate funding for the current Army Bonus Program and Special Incentive Pay is required.

The Earned Income tax Credit should be expanded to include soldiers serving outside the United States.

The Montgomery GI Bill enhances recruitment of highly qualified people.

Notwithstanding recent Congressional action that increased the monthly payment, the cost of education continues to increase beyond entitlements.

We therefore resolve to urge the Administration and Congress to:

■ Reestablish and maintain compensation, allowances, and benefits competitive with the private sector in accordance with the Uniformed Service Pay and Benefits Act of 1981.

■ Support the following:

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Army Bonus Program and Special Incentive Pay.

■ Expand the Earned Income Tax Credit to include otherwise qualified soldiers serving overseas but not maintaining a principal residence in the United States.

■ Protect current nontaxable status of benefits.

■ Increase the monthly tax exclusion for officer pay in a combat zone of $2,000.

■ Amend the Montgomery GI Bill to authorize the refund of a soldier's contributions if disabled on duty, and increase the individual benefit payment.

We therefore resolve to urge those states, that have not already done so, to grant resident status, for purposes of registration and tuition at state universities and colleges, to soldiers and their family members who live in the state because of their assignments.

Ben Register, a retired lieutenant general, is president of the Chattahoochee Valley-Fort Benning Chapter of the Association of the United States Army (AUSA).

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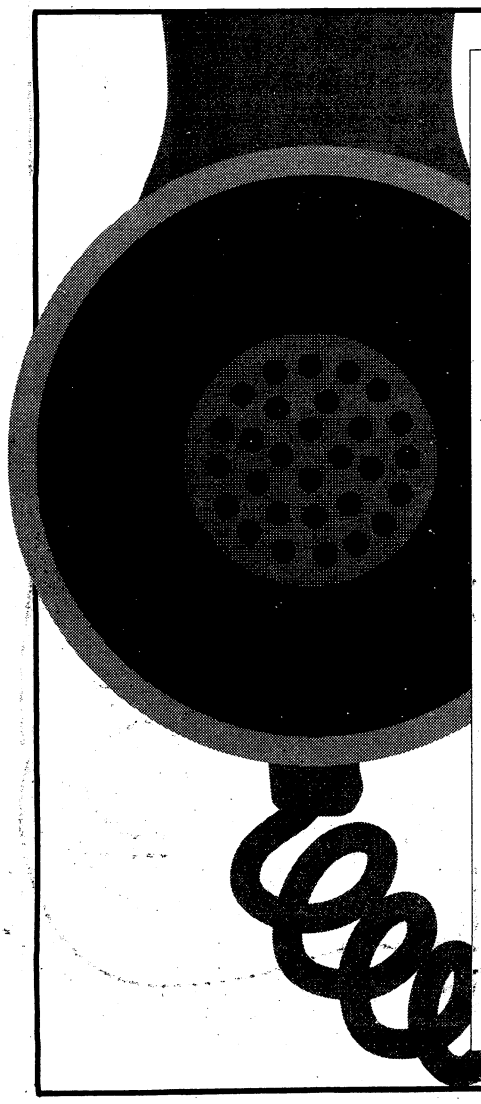

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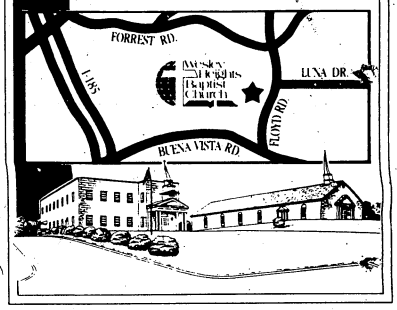

HEALTH

If 'you are what you eat,' try eating healthy

By Jeff Graber

Today in America you hardly can stroll down an aisle in a grocery store, read a magazine, watch television or even read a newspaper without being confronted with claims of "fat-free," "low in cholesterol," "low-cal," "performance-enhancing," or "super fat-burning." Advice on nutrition abounds — some of it truthful, but most of it unfounded. Even so, nutrition has become an integral concern in America, as nutrition impacts everything from physical appearance, performance, and health to grocery shopping to social events.

The typical American diet consists of inadequate carbohydrate and fiber; too much fat, protein, and sodium; improper spread of calories throughout the day, including an inadequate breakfast; and intake of unnecessary supplements. Take an inventory; do any of these shortfalls apply to you?

The old cliche "You are what you eat" holds true; by adhering to the following nutritional ABC's, you can eat your way to a "you" which will resist disease and stress, feel more energetic and be far younger physiologically than you are chronologically:

■ **1. Adequacy** — characterizes a diet that provides all the essential nutrients (carbs, fat, protein, vitamins, minerals and water).

■ **2. Balance** — prevents overemphasizing any food type or nutrient at the expense of another. (Vary your food intake; be daring!)

The old cliche "You are what you eat" holds true; by adhering to the following nutritional ABC's, you can eat your way to a healthier "you."

■ **3. Calorie Control** — controls energy intake (body weight X activity factor = calories required).

To determine your activity factor, assign yourself appropriately:

13 = sedentary — job requires little physical effort and includes standing or light walking. Exercise is performed less than 3 times per week.

14 = light activity — job requires light physical effort including bending, light lifting, walking or standing. Exercise is performed a minimum of three times per week.

15 = moderate activity — job requires physical effort and repetition of tasks throughout the work shift. Exercise is performed more than three times per week.

Additionally, ensure that the breakdown of your caloric intake falls within these parameters:

1. Carbohydrates — 50 to 70 percent

2. Protein — 10 to 25 percent

3. Fat — less than 30 percent of calorie intake (no more than 10 percent from saturated fat)

By making these changes a permanent part of your daily eating lifestyle, you will find yourself being and feeling much healthier. Remember, supplementing a nutritionally adequate diet is simply not necessary as your diet provides all of the necessary daily required nutrients.

For those of you who, like me, continually battle to control your eating lifestyle and even for you "hollow legs" out there, I hope this article has renewed your interest in proper nutrition. Stay in control! You will be better for it in more ways than you can imagine. Good luck!

Capt. Jeff Graber is an instructor/writer at the U.S. Army Physical Fitness School.

SPORTS

IN BRIEF

Rugby clubs kicks off spring season

The spring season for the Columbus and Fort Benning Rugby Football Club Cruise-matics began Feb. 6. New players are welcome and no experience is necessary.

Practices are 7:30 p.m. at Lakebottom Park, at the corner of 17th Street and 18th Avenue. For more information, call Rick Gordon at 682-9752 or Ray Davis at 232-8148.

SOCCER COACHES: Youth Services is in need of coaches for the youth soccer season. Individuals interested in coaching should stop by Youth Services, Building 1056, or call Linda Laine, Youth Services sports director, at 545-3070.

GOLF LESSONS: Golf lessons are available at the Follow Me Golf Course for beginners and advanced players. Lessons may be private or group.

For more information, call 687-1940.

AEROBICS CLASSES: Low-impact aerobic classes will be Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 9 to 10 a.m. at Briant Wells Field House. The instructor will be Jo Martinez.

The classes are free. For more information, contact Hazel Henry at 545-4726 or 545-4388.

GOLF SHIRTS: Fort Benning Golf Club need men's golf shirts or colored T-shirts (no white or brown undershirts) to loan to golfers inappropriately attired.

Donations will be accepted at the Pro Shop.

BASS CLUB: Active-duty and retired soldiers, Department of the Army civilians, and family members 16 years and older are eligible to join the Fort Benning Bass Club.

Meetings are the second and fourth Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. at Victory Bait and Tackle, 3146 Victory Drive, Columbus.

Call Jack Pines at 687-1232 or 561-6337.

Officers' Club offers full slate of aerobics classes

The Fort Benning's Officers' Club offers aerobics classes in the mornings and evenings. Classes are $16 for 12 visits, with a drop-in fee of $3 per visit.

Monday, Wednesday and Friday — 8:45 to 9:30 a.m., 9:30 to 10:30 a.m., 5 to 6 p.m., and 6 to 7 p.m.

Tuesday and Thursday — 9:30 to 10:30 a.m., 10:30 to 11:15 a.m., 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., 5:30 to 6:45 p.m., and 6:50 to 7:30 p.m.

Saturday — 9:15 to 10:30 a.m.

The club also offers a martial arts (yoshukai) class Tuesdays and Thursdays from 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. Fee for the class is $30 a month, open to military and civilians at least 16 years of age.

Instructor Ron Zis has 23 years of experience in martial arts.

For more information about the Fort Benning Officers' Club Fitness Center, call 687-0871 or 682-1267.

FYI

The Housing Referral Office provides assistance to all military personnel, their family members and Department of the Army civilians moving to the community. The Referral Office is located in Building 2622. Office hours are 7:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Call 545-3921.

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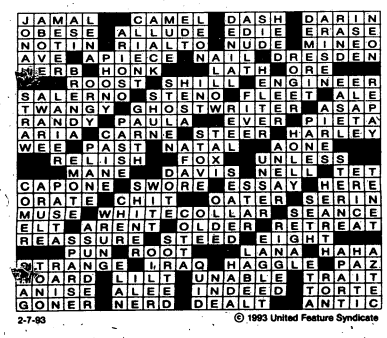

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ISSUES

Discharged veteran denied jobless benefits

Associated Press

ATLANTA — Charles Miles was decorated for bravery during the Persian Gulf War, but now he cannot get jobless benefits in Georgia because he was discharged after becoming a conscientious objector.

Miles, who served with the 24th Infantry Division based at Fort Stewart, said the war changed him.

"I just know I don't want to kill again," said Miles, 21, a 1989 graduate of Atlanta's Northside High School. "I know what it would do to me emotionally and physically."

The Georgia Labor Department denied unemployment benefits to Miles, saying federal rules covering unemployment benefits to veterans discharged early prohibit payment to conscientious objectors.

Three Supreme Court rulings say conscientious objectors are entitled to unemployment benefits if they leave their jobs because of religious beliefs, but those cases involved civilians, said Charles Maresca of the National Interreligious Service Board for Conscientious Objectors.

"I've never heard of a case like this before," Maresca said.

Miles, who wanted to get a job and attend Georgia State University, said the thing that makes him angry is that he did his job as a soldier and is being slapped in the face.

"I was not one of those guys who decided to become a conscientious objector as soon as I learned I was being deployed," said Miles, who served as a tank loader and saw combat.

"I made my decision based on combat experience and continued to perform my duties to the best of my ability right up to the time I was discharged," he said.

Capt. James Haynsworth, an investigating officer with the 24th Infantry, wrote in May that Miles "has been a sterling example of a soldier."

Since he couldn't find a job in Atlanta, Miles moved to his parents' home in Arlington, Va., and has applied for admission to Emory University.

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ON POST

IN BRIEF

WWII battle demonstration to be held

A World War II 50th Anniversary commemoration of Kasserine Pass, America's first battle in Tunisia, will be Feb. 14 at the National Infantry Museum auditorium.

From 12:30 to 2 p.m. there will be presentations on Gen. Erwin Rommel in Tunisia, U.S. Baptism of Fire at Kasserine Pass and the Commonwealth Forces at Kasserine.

From 2 to 4 p.m. there will be a World War II living history demonstration by the National Military Historical Association and a war game "Battle for the Pass" by the Historical Miniatures Gaming Society.

BUILDING RENAMED: The 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment Headquarters, Building 2839, located on the northwest and of 1st Infantry Brigade Loop and west of Sightseeing Road on Main Post has been renamed "Keneally Hall" in honor of Col. John T. Keneally.

Keneally, who was commander of the 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, died Oct. 29 during routine ranger exercises involving joint airborne and air assault training.

VALENTINE DANCE: The Command Sergeants Major/Sergeants Major Association will host a Valentine's Day Dance Feb. 13 at the Main NCO Club from 7 to 11:30 p.m. The dress is 1960s and 1970s attire.

The cost is $7.50 per person with an open bar.

For more information, contact Command Sgt. Maj. Eddie Roberts at 545-3121 or Sgt. Lucy Wiley.

FIELD DEDICATION: Taylor Field will be dedicated Feb. 17 at 11 a.m. between Buildings 74 and 76. The field is named in honor of the late Lt. Col. Benjamin F. Taylor.

CONTINUED BURNING: Controlled burning of woodland and range areas will take place through Feb. 14.

If weather permits, the following compartments may be affected: A-9, B-1, B-3, B-5, C-2, D-2, D-7, D-10, E-3, E-5, F-2, G-1, G-4, I-4, J-1, J-5, K-1, K-6, K-13, K-22, L-4, M-1, M-3, N-1, O-1, 0-7, 0-9, 0-13, Q-5, T-3, T-6, U-1, U-5, V-4, W-1, W-4. X-2, &-3 and CC-1.

Hunters and others proposing to use these areas for recreational purposes must vacate these areas prior to 10 a.m. daily.

Training units and hunters are reminded to exercise caution while traveling in these areas.

TRASH COLLECTION: There will be no trash collection at Fort Benning on Presidents' Day, Feb. 15.

Family housing areas normally scheduled for trash collection Feb. 15 will be picked up Feb. 16, and areas normally scheduled for collection Feb. 16 will be picked up Feb. 17.

AIRLINE TICKETS: The Transportation Division has opened an airline ticket booth at Building 2627, the Personnel Movements Section.

Personnel going on temporary duty or making a permanent change of station can drop off orders and can pick up tickets.

Hours are from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. The office is closed Tuesdays.

CDC to mark opening

The Main Post Child Development Center will hold a grand opening ceremony Thursday at 11 a.m. The newly built center, which accommodates 99 children, has been open since Jan. 4.

Located in Building 1366, the new center is on Yeager Avenue near Faith Middle School.

Another newly built child-care center, which will accommodate 198 children, is slated to open in March, said Jennifer Williams, child development coordinator. It is located at Santa Fe and 1st Division roads, but has not yet been named.

FYI

The Rental/Lease Office is located in Building 1707, on Gillespie Street. Hours of operation are Monday through Friday, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. and Saturday, Sunday and holidays 8 a.m.-noon. The Rental/Lease Office is closed Christmas Day and New Year's Day.

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Mobile homes must be registered in Muscogee County. Call 571-4798 for more information.

DEFENSE

National Guard to deactivate more Georgia units

From staff, wire reports

ATLANTA — The Georgia Army National Guard will lose six units this year, and many of the men and women will be discharged or retired instead of reassigned, the general in charge of Georgia's Guard said.

"This new round of cuts may well result in some part-time as well as full-time personnel being discharged or retired," Maj. Gen. William P. Bland Jr., the adjutant general of Georgia, said Monday. "We will reassign as many of them as possible to other units so that they will be able to continue their National Guard careers."

The cuts, which go into effect Sept. 30, will involve 502 of the Guard's 10,563 men and women, the Department of Defense announced.

"I wish that this were the end, but there are plans to reduce the strength of the Georgia Army Guard to as few as 8,500 in the next two or three years," Bland said.

Nine Georgia units were deactivated last year, but all of the 779 soldiers involved were reassigned to other units in the state.

The Department of Defense also announced nine units are scheduled to be deactivated in 1994, including the 560th Engineer Battalion in Columbus. Five of the units are in Atlanta. The others are in Savannah and Cartersville and at Dobbins Air Force Base.

Deactivation of those units, however, is "not a sure thing," said Guard spokesman Beryl Diamond. Plans for next year's deactivations won't be final before fiscal 1994 begins Oct. 1. "It's on a list right now," he said, but "it's not etched in concrete."

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LADDER RACK For long bed truck, $200; call 291-0548

MERCURY COUGAR '78, $550/best offer; Frigidaire dryer, good cond., $125; Murray lawnmower, $75; 327-4797 or 568-3236

OVERSTUFFED EZ Chair & footstool, $65; 2, upholstered occassional chairs, $50ea; 3 bookcases, set, $50; brass & glass coffee table, $65; 2 endtables, square commode, $50ea; Eyelet, king size bedspread, dust ruffle, curtains to match, $75; king size bedspread, 2pr. curtains w/valance, $60. 563-6328

PRIVACY FENCE 25', 4x4x8, 6' high, treated pine w/walk gate, $175/offer. 569-6416 lv. msg.

PROPANE TANK, 250gal., 2 propane heaters, $450. 205-742-9743

SCUBA EQUIPMENT Everything except mask. $850. Call 327-4320.

SEGA GENESIS 2 controllers & 2 games, $150. Call 571-3494 after 6pm.

SEGA GENISES w/2 games, $125. 596-0311 after 5pm

TANNING BED Magna II Silver Solarium w/Face Tanner. Hydraulic. 561-5998

Ledger-Enquirer Classified Ads Call 322-4500

3 TODDLER PAGEANT dresses, 24mos-3T, $50-$125up; Rummage sale items, $1-$10. 298-4975

MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS 078

CONN F-Valve Trombone 79H, good cond., $600. Call 569-8927

D. REDDING MUSIC Beallwood Conn./50th St. Crate G60 amp, $250. Hohner Les Paul, $450. 596-1260

TV-VIDEO STEREO SALES 096

CERWIN VEGA 12" Woofers, great shape, $300/pair. Call 327-8109.

SATELLITE DISH, $400, 569-4223 after 4pm

FREE COLUMN MISC. 097

FIREWOOD You split it; you take it! 569-1312 or 649-2573

MERCHANDISE WANTED 098

CASH FOR GOOD USED UNWANTED ITEMS TVs, Stereos, Baby Beds, furniture. We also have adult gag gifts. Waters Junk, 929 Ft. Benning Rd. 687-6761. Cash paid.

100 PETS, FARM & GARDEN

PETS 122

AKC BLACK LAB PUPS Championship bloodline. $150 each. Call 327-4541, days or 561-8744 nights.

AKC Cockers & Bassett Hound puppies, $125-$175. 912-967-2110 after 6pm

AKC Cockers (Parti), Shih Tzus, Poodle, Yorkie-Poms. 912-847-4666 Reynolds

AKC DALMATIANS, Call Gene Connell after 7 p.m. 912-336-0959 Sale City, GA.

AKC DALMATIAN PUPS 2 females left, $150. Call (912)774-2167

AKC German Shepherd Pups, 2 blk females, 3½mo. old, $90. 706-674-2762 or 674-2685

AKC GREAT PYRENEES, females only. $250. Call 912-933-5795 after 6 p.m.

AKC Lab Pups: Beautiful chocolate, yellow, shots, wormed. 912-847-3363

AKC Miniature Schnauzers, 6 wks old, $150 to $200. Call 576-5639.

ALL BREED Dog Training Academy 563-6568

Catahoula Puppies, rare breed, exc. family dogs, ready now! 205-329-8155

COCKER Spaniel pups, $50 each; Beagle pups, champ blood, $50; call 706-884-0105

IRISH SETTER puppy, male, papers, 10wks old, $150. Call 298-1648 aft 5pm

LAB PUPS, AKC shots & wormed, Blk. $150; Choc & yellow, $200. 324-2976

Min. Dachsund Pups $150 each. Call 298-1779

Rottweiler Pups, European champ. bloodline, 5 wks. old, $350. 689-0740

SIAMESE KITTENS Available Sat., 02/13, shots, litter trained, $60. 576-6900

WHITE Umbrella Cockatoo, 8 mths old, hand fed, talks, $1350 firm. 563-2962

PETS-LOST & FOUND 127

HAVE YOU LOST YOUR PET? Please contact the Muscogee County Humane Society at 7133 Sacerdote Lane, off Schatulga Road, 706-563-4929 or the Russell County Humane Society at 205-298-0080.

YOU CAN HELP SAVE A PET Call our 24-hour hotline for lost & found pets. 480-3355 (local call for Columbus and Phenix City residents).

FREE COLUMN ANIMALS 130

NOTICE

The Columbus Ledger-Enquirer is proud to offer the **FREE COLUMN** as a valuable service to our customers. In addition to placing your **FREE COLUMN** ad, we recommend that you contact The Muscogee Co. or Russell Co. Humane Societies for important safety precautions you may wish to consider when finding a home for your pet. To find out more about what you can do to protect your animal, call your local Humane Society at 298-0080 (Russell Co.) or 563-3647 (Muscogee Co.)

200 EMPLOYMENT

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Below you will find a listing of common employment abbreviations which you may find in our classified advertisements. We hope this will help your decision-making process.

office - ofc.
home - hm.
work - wk.
part time - P/T
full time - F/T
experience - exp.
technician - tech.
commercial driver's license - CDL
over-the-road - OTR
service - svc.
assistant - asst.
system - sys.
references - ref.
required - req.
words per minute - wpm
secretary - sec'y
weekends - wkends
section - sec.
superintendent - super
Monday-Friday - M-F
Male/Female - M/F
Veterans/Handicapped - V/H
Equal Employment Opportunity - EEO
Affirmative Action - AA
experienced - exp.
department - dept.

RESTAURANTS & CLUBS 212

KRUSTEE'S PIZZA

Now hiring delivery personnel. Full & part-time, flexible hours. Must have car and insurance. Apply in person at 2204 4th Ave., Phenix City. Call 297-1171

EMPLOYMENT AGENCIES 214

CONSTRUCTION WORKERS Needed For Relocation All Skills 1-800-362-6607, Agency

HELP WANTED GENERAL 216

AGENTS/TRACERS

$40,000 potential. FT/PT. Own hrs. Will train. Processing mortgage refunds. Work locally. 1-800-489-4832. 24hrs

!!! ATTENTION !!!
LIVE & WORK OVERSEAS
All skills, all fields. K & E Marketing, 3600 South, State Rd. 7, Suite #480, Miramer, FL 33023. Call or send resume 1-800-666-3443.

AVON No door-to-door sales necessary! Local 563-5005; other areas 1-800-338-5870

A BETTER JOB... ... is available to people who can read. If you know someone whose job potential is limited because he can't read, tell him that reading help is free, confidential and available. The Columbus number to call is 404-682-2662; elsewhere, call 1-800-228-8813.

Ledger-Enquirer Classified Ads Call 322-4500

BE ON T.V. many needed for commercials. Now hiring all ages. for casting info. Call 615-779-7111 Ext T-223

HELP WANTED GENERAL 216

★ **CHANGE YOUR LIFE** ★ Cruise line positions: Bartenders, casinos, crew, tours, food service, housekeepers, hotel/rooms, managers, other staff. Weekly pay and tips to $900 plus insurance, room, uniforms, meals, training. Call 407-869-4277.

EARN $1,000's weekly stuffing envelopes. Start now. No prior exp. Free supplies. Free info. No obligation. Send S.A.S.E. to Regal Dist. PO Box 140714-S, Orlando, FL 32814.

GLAMOUR SHOTS Peachtree Mall
Is looking for full and part-time Make-Up Artist. Must have great personality & flexible schedule. Willing to train person w/cosmetologist background. Great commission opportunity. Apply in person at Peachtree Mall.

GLAMOUR SHOTS **Peachtree Mall**
Is looking for part-time Photographer w/background in photography. Must be available on weekends. Must have great personality. Great commission opportunity. Apply in person at Peachtree Mall.

If You Are Tired Of Working Your Life Away To Make Someone Elses Life Comfortable Call 323-8552.

LOSERS WANTED We will pay you to lose 10-180 lbs. 100% guaranteed, Dr. recommended. 404-631-1356, 404-631-8833.

PIECE WORK, $170 part time, $350 full time, making golf and kitchen items. Call Norma 313-242-1234.

HELP WANTED PART-TIME 218

** **AVON** ** Earn to $200-$1200 mo. Training & support. 1-800-329-AVON.

DOMESTIC HELP WANTED 219

GERMAN speaking maid, 40 hrs a week. $6 an hr. Apply Box 249 c/o Ledger Enquirer, P. O. Box 711, Columbus, GA. 31902-0711.

MEDICAL DENTAL 220

VENT./PEDS. Exp. RN's/LPN's need to work in Columbus, GA area. Call David collect 404-396-7191.

OFFICE CLERICAL 222

BILINGUAL EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

Major Columbus corporation needs a bilingual executive secretary. Individual must have excellent oral and written communication skills (English and Spanish). Must be able to operate word processor using English and Spanish software. Excellent secretarial skills required. Send resume by Thursday, February 11th to:

HUMAN RESOURCES
P.O. BOX 1459
COLUMBUS, GA 31999

AFLAC INCORPORATED

DRIVERS 227

ROLLIN' REBEL EXPRESS

Needs experienced, hard working OTR drivers for specialty flatbed operation. Competitive pay and benefits. Home almost every weekend. Call
(205)756-8194 days
(706)882-4467 after 7pm

SKILLS & TRADES 228

EXPERIENCED BLDG CONSTRUCTION SUPERINTENDENT for GC, commercial work (range 1.5-5 million dollar projects). **TRAVEL REQUIRED.** Send resume to: Langford Construction Co., P.O. Box 1287, LaGrange, GA 30241, ATTN: Larry Freeman.

SECURITY OFFICERS needed. 2 yrs. min. experience, Medical benefits. 1-800-551-8564, ext. 299.

JOB WANTED 230

NOTICE

It is now a requirement of the State of Alabama that all persons wishing to care for unrelated children have a license. If you have questions concerning this regulation, please call the Russell County Department of Human Resources. (205)298-7882.

Ledger-Enquirer Classified Ads Call 322-4500

NOTICE

The Family Home Daycare Division of the Georgia Department of Human Resources advises that Family Home daycare for 1-6 children can only be registered, not licensed. For 7 or more children, the Family Home daycare status changes to Group Home daycare and licensing is required. If this is an area that is of interest to you when trying to determine daycare facilities for your child, you may call 1-404-894-5688 to inquire further about Georgia regulations.

400 FINANCIAL

BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIY 410

ABSOLUTELY NO SELLING
DISTRIBUTORSHIP
"THE NATION'S BEST"
All Cash Business. 50 Store route for sale in Columbus area. Restocking from your car. 15 hrs. wk. $35,000. + per year. Parent Company will sell turn-key for $15,500. 1-800-279-6406. Secured Investment.

LOCAL VENDING ROUTE Be your own boss. Instant profits, Investment required. Some finance avail. 1-800-959-9321.

VENDING ROUTE For Sale Collect $100-$200 cash daily. No selling. 1-800-723-7800

MORTGAGES 413

I BUY MORTGAGES NATIONWIDE 404-962-6928

MONEY TO LEND 414

LOANS, easy qualification. Guaranteed $5k if employed. 1-800-392-0519.

500 REAL ESTATE RENTALS

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Below you will find a listing of common rental abbreviations which you may find in our classified advertisements. We hope this will help your decision-making process.

bedroom - BR
bathroom - BA
dining room - DR
living room - LR
greatroom - GR
fireplace - FP
central heat/air-cent. h/a
washer/dryer - w/d
connections-w/d conn.
refrigerator - fridge
available - avail.
north - N.
south - S.
Columbus - Cols.
Phenix City- P.C.
acres - ac.
minutes - min.
apartment - apt.
month - mo.
subdivision - S/D
large - lg.
double - dbl.
years - yrs.
utilities - util.
highway - hwy
condominium - condo
appliances - appl.
payments - pymts.
furnished - furn.
unfurnished - unf.
references - ref.
required - req.

UNFURNISHED APTS. GA 520

ASK ABOUT OUR $93 MOVE-IN SPECIAL 2BR, unfurnished. Camellia Apts. 689-0370

Bunker Hill Rd. area. 2BR, 2BA, FP, cent. h/a, $385. + dep. Call Lisa, 327-7668

CAMELLIA APARTMENTS 689-0370

CONDO 1½BA, 2BR, Clubhouse, pool, great location, balcony view, water furn., $455mo. 563-9899

LAST CHANCE! Prices Reduced

Luxury 2BR/2BA Cable Plus, Microwave, Dishwasher, W/D conn., Screened Porch & More!

Call Lisa or Gisela: 689-4873

TRAFFIC GARDENS 1600 Ft. Benning Road 1 & 2 BR, plus townhouses. $215 to $245. Remodeled, new carpet, cable.tv., burglar doors, 689-1425.

UNFURNISHED HOUSES GA 526

TRENTON CT - Battle Forest area. 3BR, 2BA, spacious living area. Huge, fenced backyard. Available immediately. $575. **HERITAGE HOMES**

6428 Fairmont Rd: 3BR, 1½BA, $500 + dep. Call 480-9397 (local)

UNFURNISHED HOUSES AL 527

BRAND NEW 3BR, 2BA, brick house on 1 acre lot with carport, washer, dryer and refrigerator freezer. Located in new subdivision. $700 mo. 615-952-2303.

RESORT RENTALS 534

SEAGROVE BEACH, 3BR, 3BA, home on large lake. Outstanding ocean view. Easy access. Near Seaside, Panama City, Ft. Walton. $600+ $48 bed & board taxes. 904-385-5819

600 REAL ESTATE SALES

HOMES FOR SALE GA 616

GOVERNMENT REPOS

6½% fixed-rate
NO down payment

	4442 NAPLES DR	
70,000	4-2.5	552 mo
	3927 TIFTON DR	
79,500	3-1.5	624 mo
	6350 OLDE TOWNE DR	
	already gone	
	2879 GRANT RD	
	already gone	
	2526 RICE ST	
39,000	3-2	313 mo
	2904 RICE ST	
39,000	3-1	313 mo
	3221 HANSON AVE	
21,500	2-1	179 mo

You do NOT have to be a Vet! Your loan will be at 6½% APR 30-yrs. Above payments INCLUDE tax & insurance. You only need a 100. refundable deposit with your application, plus 435. later for your share of closing costs! Deadline is Feb 15. Call me!

JIM TALLEY
596-1339
Heritage Homes
Weekend appointments OK!
For complete program information, call the
REPO HOTLINE
24-hr recording
568-9741

HOMES FOR SALE GA 616

BY OWNER: Three 2BR houses & 1 duplex for sale. Anderson Rd., Cusseta, GA. $22,000-$29,500. Owner will seek financing. 563-8783

'92 INCOME TAX RETURN TOO SMALL?
Do you need investments in '93? Buying a home will help. **Call Charles Cornett, Jefferson Brothers, Inc. 569-6688/324-4424**

MUST SELL! 3BR, 2BA, Large den. Owner relocating. $120,000. (706)884-3700 for information.

NEW IN TOWN?
Tired of paying rent? Let me show you how to purchase the home of your choice. **Call Charles Cornett, Jefferson Brothers, Inc. 569-6688/324-4424**

VA REPO HOTLINE 24-Hr Recording 568-9741 **HERITAGE HOMES**

LOTS FOR SALE 626

RIDGEWOOD: By owner, 5mins. from Pratt & Whitney, approx. 1ac., level lot, $17,500. 569-7853 anytime.

FARMS & ACREAGE 636

ESCAPE!
10.8 ACRES, $9,900
Peace & quiet in Talbot Co. Pasture & woods, good road frontage. Financing. Call owner, 912-986-1454

PINE MOUNTAIN, GA. 65 acre farm, 5 yr. old 2 story log home. 2 Creeks. Mostly pasture, deer and turkey, $189,000. 706-663-2479.

700 MOBILE HOMES

MOBILE HOMES FOR SALE 710

TIDWELL '85, 14x52, 2BR, 1BA, cent. h/a, $7900; call 291-7891 or 327-8997

MOBILE HOMES FOR RENT 714

'87s-'92's 14 wides 2&3BR, fenced, air, rent/own avail. $295-$395. 327-5551, 569-7185

ALEX Mobile Homes & Rental Trucks, utilities on. 687-5276, 689-0226. 9-6

MOBILE HOMES FOR RENT 714

A Nice 2BR, washer/dryer, central heat, Furn, a/c. $235 mo. 561-8684/563-5491

A WEEK'S FREE RENT!

Move in Today! Cozy 1 & 2BR

Call Sherri or Denise: 685-1414

NEAR POST: 2- 14' x 60' 2BR, 1BA. 1 brand new, 350; 2nd Very nice $300. **NO PETS.** $150/dep. No deposit for utilities. Call 989-3106

SPECIALS!!

A Week's Free Rent 1BR Furnished, Cable & More

Call Gisela or Lisa: 689-4873

★ **2 & 3BR** ★ 10 mi. to Lawson Feild, $225-$325 mo. Call 855-4945

MOBILE HOMES WANTED 720

CLEAN 3BR MOBILE HOME Will pay cash.
Sheraton Mobile Home Estates 706-689-6738.

NEEDED
NICE, CLEAN, 3BR MOBILE HOMES
WILL PAY CASH!
COLUMBUS MOBILE HOME PARK
CALL 687-4197

800 RECREATIONAL VEHICLES

BOATS 810

14FT Fiberglass Boat, front steering, 40HP Evinrude & trailer, $1600. 561-7111

ATTENTION VETERANS

Reduce your interest rate or # of years on your VA loan

• Easy to qualify • Automatic in-house approval • VA owner occupied or rental property • Apply by Phone • Fast Closing

Save $50 to $200 each month. Save $5000 to $50,000 over life of loan

Call for information NOW while rates are low. Throughout GA & AL
Call 1-800-947-REFI
HILTON MORTGAGE 568-9003

HIDDEN LAGOON ESTATES

F & W Forestry Services is offering lakefronts lots in the Ft. Gaines area. For more info. call:

Rob Routhier at 912-883-0505
or
Lois Odom
912-768-2641, 912-732-5415

DON'T BLAME ME I VOTED FOR BUSH! BUMPER STICKER

TELL 'EM HOW YOU FEEL

SEND $4.00 CASH, CHECK, M.O. TO:
Sled Dog Enterprises
6547 North Academy Blvd. Suite 521
Colorado Springs, CO 80918

Also Available - Don't Blame Me I Voted For Perot

BOATS 810

14FT Heavy Aluminum Boat w/trailer, good condition, $275. Call 561-7111.

19FT GALAXY, 165HP Merc Cruiser, power trim, depth finder, trailer, $2200. 297-0883

'92 ARROWGLASS 17ft Bow-rider, 115HP Merc I/O, $8100. Call 563-7709.

MOTOR HOMES FOR SALE 818

VERY NICE road ready '88 Encore 29', 13K mi., rear BR w/reg. bed, split bath, awning, tag axle, many extras. $25,500. 298-6420

CAMPERS & TRAILERS 820

Get ready for the 18th Annual Atlanta Camping & RV Show! Largest RV Sale in our 18 year history. Acres of 1993 model RV's on sale. Over 65 booths with campground and vacation information. Opens Thurs., Feb. 18, runs through Monday, Washington's Birthday, Feb. 22. Atlanta Exposition Center, I-285 at Jonesboro Rd., Exit #40. Show opens 11:00 am daily. Admission: $6.00 adult; 16 and under, $2.00; Senior Citizens, $4.00; under 5 free. **Information, call 404-255-9472.**

UTILITY TRAILERS 822

SMALL COVERED trailer, 5x4x3 cbft, paid $750, will sell for $350/offer. Call 563-7646

WANT TO BUY Heavy Duty Tandem Trailer, 12, 14 or 16ft., elec. brakes, No junk! (205) 667-0240.

MOTORCYCLES FOR SALE 828

Archie's Harley-Davidson New & used bikes, parts, & motor clothes. 324-4294

FZR 600 '89, 8000 mi., real sharp & fast, $3000/Firm. 660-1337 or 324-8240 beep#

HONDA SHADOW '86 Runs good, $1800. Call 327-3414.

KAWASAKI Spectre 550, '83, low low miles, exc cond., $1000. 682-8405

900 TRANSPORTATION

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power steering - ps
power windows - pw
power brakes - pb
power door locks - pdl
automatic - auto
speed - sp
miles/mileage - mi
pickup truck - p/u
horsepower - hp
miles per gallon - mpg
air conditioner - air
convertible - conv.
door - dr
engine - eng.

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excellent condition-exc cond
cassette - cass.
Chevrolet - Chevy
long bed - lb
short bed - sb
transmission - trans.
four wheel drive - 4wd
service records - svc. rec.
Volkswagen - VW
Continential - Cont.
Mercury - Merc.
original owner - orig. owner
high performance - hi-pro
conversion van - conv. van
aluminum - alum.
equipment - equip.
payments - pymts.
interior - int.
exterior - ext.
negotiable - neg.
cylinder - cyl.
extras - X-tras
dealer - dlr
front wheel drive - fwd
leave message - lv. msg.
factory warranty-fact. wrnty

TRUCKS 914

CHEVY LONGBED '75 V-8, 3 spd, runs good. $850. Call 297-1711.

CHEVY S-10 '92 Tahoe Package. 5 spd, a/c, am/fm cass. $11,300/neg. 563-2114

'79 CHEVY
Scottsdale. Short bed, 4x4, V/8, ps, clean. **Call J.R., 322-8888, ext. 500.**

Bill Heard Oldsmobile

Dodge D-50 '85 4 spd, 4 cylinder, good condition. $1975. Call 298-5303.

DODGE PICK-UP '74, full sz, 92K orig. mi., $995. Call 322-5351

Ford Bronco '86 300 cu. inch 6 cyl., auto., new paint & brakes. $5800. 205-749-5755

FORD ¾-TON
Good work truck. 327-6635

'91 FORD F-150 XLT Lariat, 10K mi., like new, loaded. $12,500/offer. 689-4119

GMC S-15 '86, 4sp, 4 cyl., black, 1 bed cover, looks/runs good. 568-6610

GMC TRUCK '77; sunroof, tinted window, running boards & more. $3500/offer. 682-2517

GMC VAN '75
$700. Call 298-4134

INTERNATIONAL P/U '63, $350. 323-9258.

MAZDA PICK-UP '88, B2200, a/c, am/fm casst., 5sp, low mi., $5500; call 322-0041

Nissan Pathfinder '90, 4x4 SE, beautiful, needs owner. Tony, 563-8206, dlr

TOYOTA 4x4 '87 SR5 silver, mags, bedliner, nice, $5500. 568-6996/561-1304

TRUCK SERVICE PARTS, ACC 916

MAZDA RX7 GSL '82, auto trans., 89K mi., wrecked front fender, everything else in exc. cond., $900/best offer. Call 298-9984

BUSES/VANS FOR SALE 922

Dodge Caravan '86 very good cond. Exc. interior & exterior. $4250. 682-9307

Dodge Mini Ram Conversion '85 high top, exc. cond., $3400. 323-3618/682-9691 291-6455 pager

BUSES/VANS FOR SALE 922

FORD CARGO VAN '88, E150, good cond., $3800. 569-7621

Ford Clubwagon '84, loaded, dual a/c, dual tanks, must see, $4500. 685-0722

JEEPS FOR SALE 924

JEEP CHEROKEE LTD '89, blk w/gold trim, grey leather, pw, pl & p-seats, am/fm stereo, 4dr, 4.0L V-6, 4x4 + mobile phone. $12,900. Steve 327-0990.

JEEP CHEROKEE '89, Pioneer pckg, 4DR, exc. cond., $8995. Call Bob, 687-7411

AUTO SERVICE PARTS, ACC 926

◆ **BUICK 455 MOTOR** ◆
Excellent & complete
$300. Call 298-7901

FOUR 205-75-15 Goodyear Wrangler tires on Jeep Cherokee wheels, less than 100 miles, $275/all. 322-8695

FOUR 225-75-15 Dunlop all-terrain tires, less than 100 miles, $275/all. 322-8695

PARTING OUT, '79 AMC Concorde, good body, motor & interior, needs transmission, $400 complete. 327-5359

2 Tan Mini Van Middle Seats, $550 value, $150 ea. or best offer. 568-4900

AUTOS FOR SALE 930

AAA Bad Credit? Been Turned Down?
Auto Loans
"Guaranteed Approval"
Bank and Finance Co.
Repos - multi lot inventories
Phone Mr. Singletary
(404) 687-0401
If you have a job & drivers license, I have a plan for you!

Buick Century '86: 1 owner, auto, a/c, 73K, 4dr, exc. cond., $3300. 563-4900

BUICK REGAL '82 excellent cond. Auto, air, 6 cylinder. $1995. Call 563-2600

Buick Skylark '89, priced to sell, all the buttons, low mi. Tony, 563-8206, dlr

Camaro '88, auto, air, am/fm stereo cass, t-tops, mags, low mi. $5400. 298-2351

AUTOS FOR SALE 930

CAMARO '91, teal green, 31K mi., many extras, $9300. Call 563-2169

Conquest '87 all power, A/C, 5spd., turbo, exc. cond., $3500. 576-5887 after 6pm.

Corvette '76 Stingray red, exc. cond., $8500/offer. 322-7066 ask for Robert

CUTLASS OLDS '79, 2dr., runs great, new tires, $1250. 297-5301

BOBBY'S AUTO SALES
YOU SNOOZE, YOU LOSE!

'85 Plymouth Horizon	$595
'75 Lincoln	$595
'79 Pontiac Grand Prix	$595
'78 Chevy Camaro	$695
'82 Olds Delta 88	$795
'84 Mercury Lynx	$895
'87 Chevette	$995
'85 Cavalier, 1 owner	$1295
'81 Chevy C-10 P/U	$1495
'83 Olds Forenza SW	$1695
'84 Toyota Corolla	$1995
'80 Lincoln Towncar	$1995
'86 Mazda B-2000	$2495
'90 Mitsubishi Eclipse	$6995

Many more to choose
4801 Hamilton Road
327-8401

Cutlass Supreme '81 excellent condition, $2000. neg. Call 660-0409 after 6pm

FIAT SPIDER '79 auto., new paint, needs eng. work, $1500. 322-8786 after 6pm

Ford Crown Victoria '90, extra clean. See at 2124 Terrace Dr; 327-7710 or 327-5930

FORD ESCORT '86: 3sp, a/c, hatchback, 1.9L eng., needs rebuilding or replacing. $500, call 596-1476

FORD PINTO '78 runs good, looks good, auto., $725. Call 596-0025

FORD TEMPO '84, auto, air, new motor, needs little, $950. 569-9946

Ford Thunderbird '88, fully loaded, $5000/best offer. 689-7094 lv msg for Carlos.

ROSES ARE RED...
Violets are blue, this '92 Infiniti is the one for you! Loaded, auto., sentimental but not blue. **Call Hal Valentine Maloof, 322-8888 ext. 500**

Bill Heard Oldsmobile

AUTOS FOR SALE 930

Honda Accord LX '91 2dr, auto, white, alloy wheels. $11,500. 568-6996/561-1304

HONDA ACCORD LX '89 4DR sedan, $8000. Call 323-3885

HYUNDAI EXCEL '92 auto, air, 27K miles. $5195 or best offer. 297-6329

Lincoln Continental '75
$700. Call 298-4134

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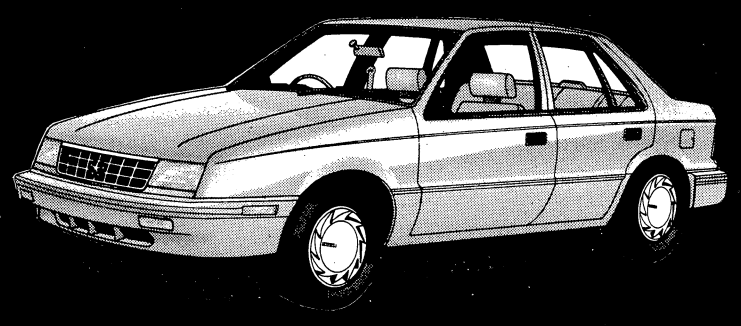

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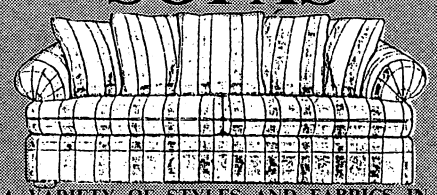

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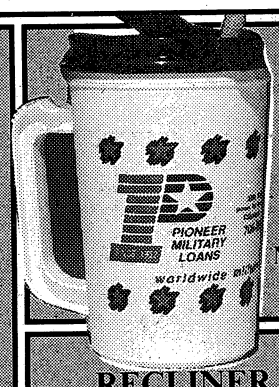

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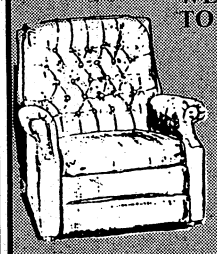

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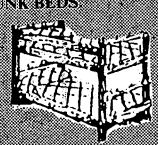

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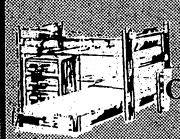

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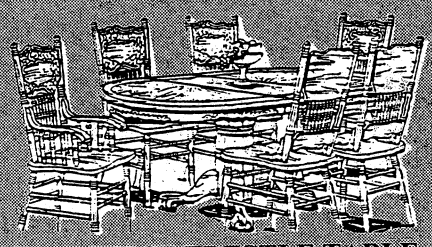

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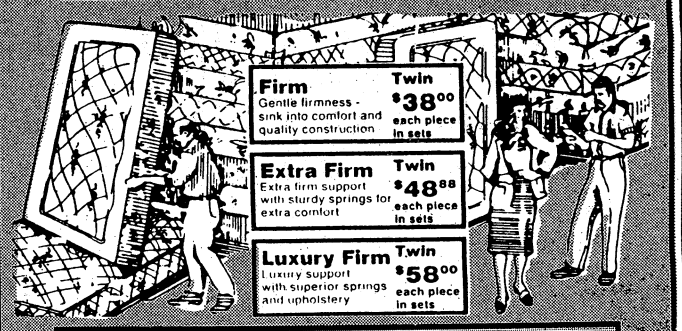

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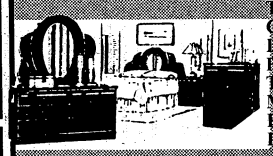

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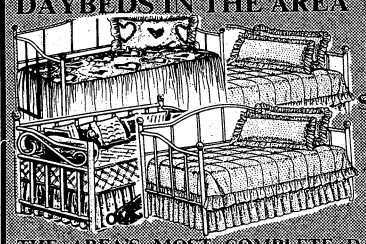

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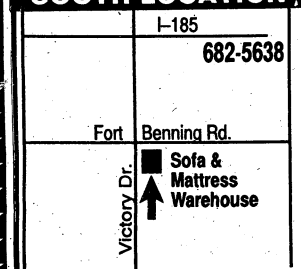

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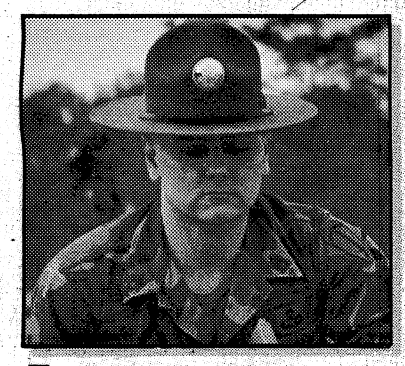

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Staff Sgt. Rory Malloy became a drill instructor out of concern for the quality of soldier he was seeing. **Page 5**

MEDICAL

Secretary of Veterans Affairs Jesse Brown wants to make health care at VA hospitals available to all 27 million of the nation's veterans — not just the disabled. **Page 18**

COMMUNITY

A&M recording artist Vesta (above) and noted scholar Dr. John L. Rhodes will headline a Black History Month Military Tribute at Fort Benning on Wednesday. **Page 3**

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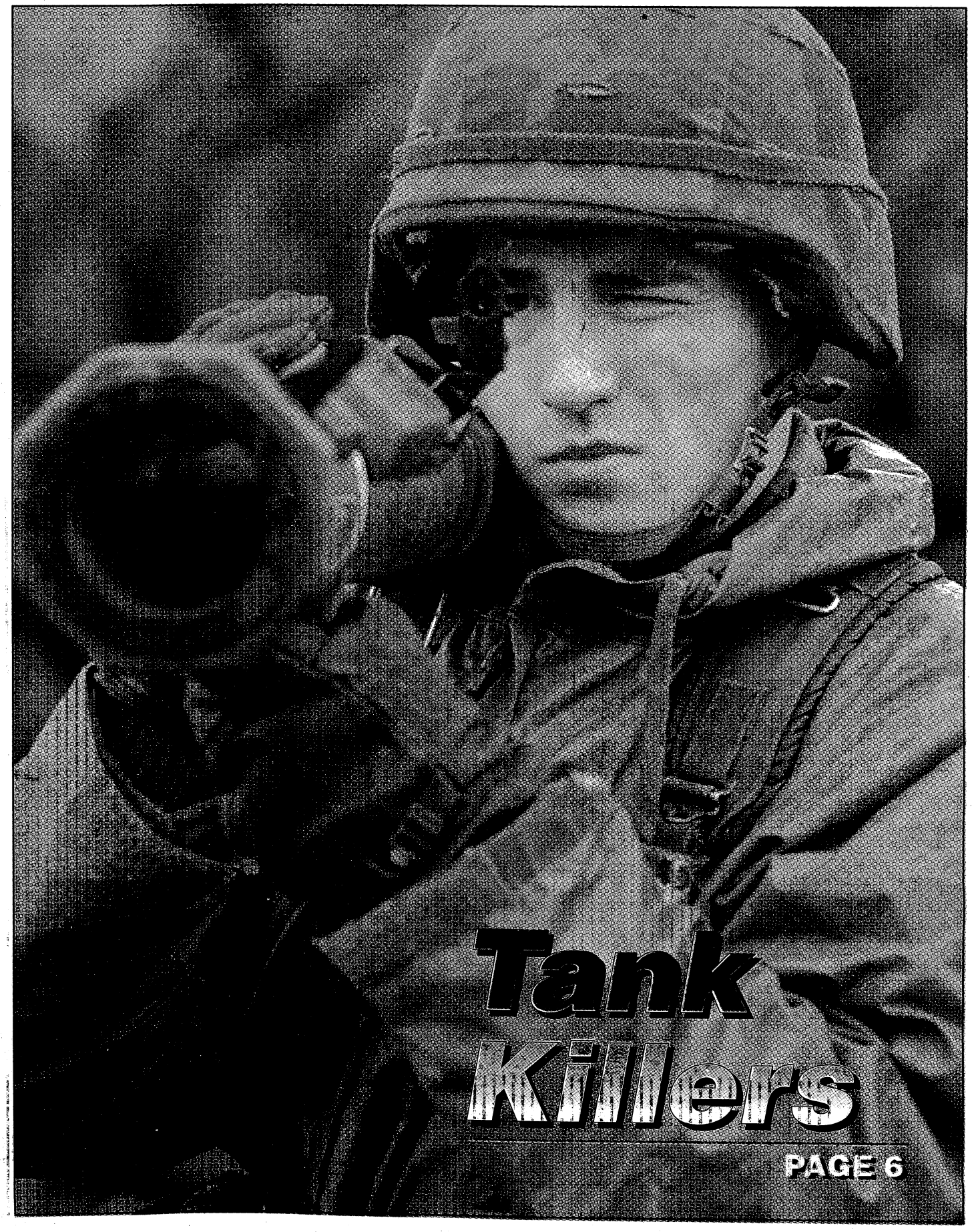

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COMMENTARY

Gay agenda goes far beyond tolerance

WASHINGTON — Homosexual activists campaigning to overturn the military's ban on avowed gays and lesbians in service have put their goals in writing. This document, passed along by a military lawyer, is as revealing as Special Orders No. 191, the directive issued by Gen. Robert E. Lee's headquarters on Sept. 9, 1862, before the Battle of Antietam.

David Evans

Special Orders No. 191, wrapped around three cigars when it was found by Yankee troops, was a windfall for the Union commander, Gen. George B. McClellan. In the words of historian Bruce Catton, "McClellan knew as much about Lee's plans as if he had personally attended Lee's last staff conference. The game was being handed to him on a silver platter."

So it is with the gay manifesto. Titled "Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual Military Freedom Project: Recommendations for Accepting Homosexuals and Bisexuals into the U.S. Armed Forces," it lays out their objectives. In brief, they want special protections and, for troglodyte heterosexuals, attitudes adjusted.

When Special Orders No. 191 fell into the ever-cautious McClellan's hands, he asked first if the document was genuine. A colonel on his staff verified the handwriting as that of a Confederate officer he knew before the war.

The homosexual agenda is also genuine, according to Tanya Domi of the Gay and Lesbian Military Freedom Initiative, who confirmed that the document indeed was presented to the Clinton-Gore transition team.

The gays wanted, first of all, for the new president to "issue an executive order ending discrimination on the basis of homosexual or bisexual orientation or CONDUCT (emphasis added) in the armed forces."

Sodomy is punishable under the Uniform Code of Military Justice, so in effect the gays are arguing for a significant change in the statute.

"We do not support the idea of celibate homosexuals," Domi said. "We do support consensual conduct that would not violate military regulations."

Therefore, to avoid breaking the law, the gay agenda recommends changing the law through "prompt reform" of the Uniform Code of Military Justice.

Under Domi's concept, off-duty, off-post sodomy would be permitted but not on duty, aboard ships or aircraft or between "senior and junior personnel in the same chain of command."

There would be classes "for all personnel on the acceptance of homosexual or bisexual personnel into the military. . . ."

Every recruit, every military academy cadet and midshipman, every unit would undergo such training.

Chaplains are included, which suggests that those members of the clergy who object to placing the homosexual lifestyle on equal footing with heterosexual mores may find themselves in a heap of trouble.

More importantly, the gays urge the establishment of a body "similar to the Defense Advisory Committee on Women in the Service to advise the president and the secretary of defense on all matters relating to homosexuals and bisexuals in the armed forces."

"The committee should include openly gay and lesbian members," thereby creating a second taxpayer-funded lobby group inside the Pentagon.

In recent years, the advisory committee on women actively has pushed for the wholesale assignment of women to combat units.

Eunice Ray, a conservative member of the committee who argues that the "military necessity" standard too often is ignored in the rush to a more politically correct "equal opportunity" standard, is horrified at the thought of a similar advisory committee on homosexuals in the service.

If it is like the advisory panel on women, Ray said, it will be a "formidable advocacy group" that seeks "with a religious ferocity" to institutionalize its ideology. "We will see reparations paid to those who were separated previously for homosexuality and 're-education camps' . . . to teach dastardly heterosexual males to be sensitive to and tolerant of things their military experience tells them are stupid or grievously wrong," she declared.

Moreover, the gays want annual reports submitted for five years to the president and Congress on the progress being made in the Defense Department to carry out their agenda. These reports presumably would be prepared by the advisory committee on homosexuals, thereby putting this body in the role of prosecutor, judge, jury and, don't forget, victim.

There you have it, the gay-activist version of Lee's special order. There's no fog of war here. No confusion. But what good is it? The timorous McClellan failed to exploit his intelligence windfall to crush Lee at Antietam, and now the troops apparently are supposed to stack arms and march off to homosexual-awareness training.

David Evans is military affairs writer for the Chicago Tribune.

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Here, according to research by the Military History Division at Fort Benning, were the top news items of the week 50 years ago:

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Near India, Allied forces launched a successful seaborne raid on Myebon, south of Akyab, suffering no casualties while destroying Axis equipment to include several buildings and jetties.

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On the Eastern Front, the Soviet advance slowed for the most part, allowing the Germans the opportunity to finally mount a strong counterattack in the Donetz Basin after weeks of retreating. Despite this development, the Russians still managed to capture Sumi and Lebedin on the Kharkov front.

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In diplomatic affairs, the Polish government released a statement asserting that the previous status quo concerning territorial boundaries established before the German invasion of Poland on Sept. 1, 1939, was in effect. The Russians responded by declaring that the Polish government had no current claim on either the Ukraine or Belorussia.

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In Italy, Joachim von Ribbentrop, the Foreign Minister of Nazi Germany, met with Dictator Benito Mussolini and several other Italian leaders, presumably to discuss Axis strategy and the current situation facing the alliance.

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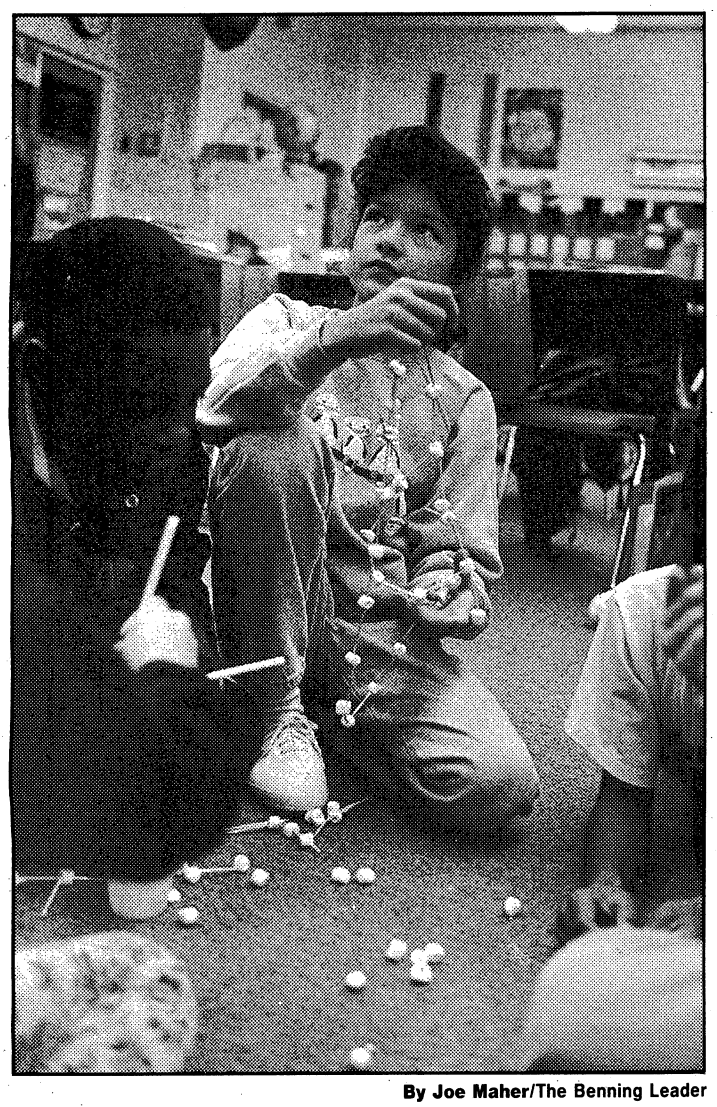


By Joe Maher/The Benning Leader

Fifth-grader Sonya Kuntz works on a tower of marshmallows and toothpicks during White School's Young Mathematician's Conference last Friday. Her project was a problem-solving exercise focusing on shapes, dimensions, patterns — and planning. The day-long conference for kindergartners through fifth-graders focused on developing students' math and problem-solving skills. The program included hands-on activities, such as Sonya's, and discussions with visiting teachers and community leaders about how they use math and problem-solving skills at work.

Noted scholar, recording artist to be featured at celebration

From staff reports

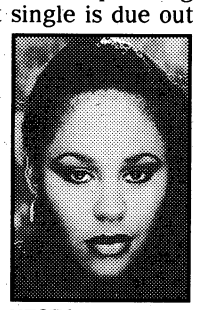
A&M recording artist Vesta and noted scholar Dr. John L. Rhodes will headline a Black History Month Military Tribute at Fort Benning on Wednesday. The achievements of the African-American soldier will be recognized during the celebration, which is open to the Fort Benning public at 10 a.m. in Marshall Auditorium at Infantry Hall.

Rhodes, a professor of history at Fort Valley State College, will give the keynote address in the program. He will provide a historical perspective on the role and contributions of the buffalo soldier in American history.

The term buffalo soldier was coined during the Civil War era to describe military regiments comprised of African-Americans. Rhodes says buffalo soldiers were the unsung defenders of the American West.

"However, rarely do we see any information about the role of African-Americans in the West, when they played a principal role in settling that part of our country," he said.

Vesta, who is currently in the studios working on her upcoming album (the first single is due out next month), will make her acting debut in the upcoming movie, "Posse," a film account of the buffalo soldier. She will share her own insights into the significance of the buffalo soldier and perform a number of her top R&B hits.



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"We want to convey a positive sense of pride and respect for the exemplary accomplishments of African-American soldiers yesterday and today," said Sheri Colas, manager of priority market relations for the Miller Brewing Company, sponsors of the program. "This special Black History Month celebration provides us the opportunity to recognize the tremendous contributions of African-Americans in the military."

As part of its Black History Month involvement, Miller also will showcase an exhibit of "Black Filmmakers" from its Gallery of Greats art collection. The exhibit features framed lithographs of prominent African-American filmmakers, including Spike Lee and Melvin Van Peeples.

The Gallery of Greats program, now in its 10th year, began as an annual calendar depicting and honoring the achievements and contributions of blacks in America and the world. The original art has toured universities, libraries and other locations throughout the country.

Pancake Bonanza to be held March 6

The Kiwanis Club of South Columbus will sponsor their 12th annual Pancake Bonanza 6 a.m.-2 p.m. March 6 at South Columbus United Methodist Church, 1213 Benning Drive.

Advance tickets are $3; at the door, $3.50. All proceeds support community service programs in the Columbus-Fort Benning area.

FYI

The Relocation Program provides support and assistance to soldiers and their family members moving to Fort Benning or to other military installations. Information is available on schools, child care and spouse employment. Call 545-4357 or 545-4149.

Teen pregnancy seminar is Feb. 27

Al Faruk Temple No. 145 and the Chattahoochee Valley Chapter of the March of Dimes will conduct a seminar on prevention of teen-age pregnancy Feb. 27 from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Masonic Temple, 815 Sixth Ave., Columbus.

The seminar is free. Registration begins at 9:30 a.m. Feb. 27.

Scheduled speakers include Areka Spencer, Magic 98 radio; Danita Gibson, businesswoman; Woodrow Lowe, former professional football player; Nate Odom, football player for the Buffalo Bills; Billy Dee, Foxie 105 *radio; Dee Armstrong, Channel 9* news anchor; Evelyn Turner, Columbus councilwoman; and Bennie Newroth, health-care worker.

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BENNING TROOPS IN SOMALIA

Troops endure long, hot days and creatures

By Clint Claybrook
Staff Writer

WAJIID, Somalia — The work days are 12 hours long here. The work uniform includes a flak jacket and Kevlar helmet in heat that, at near 90 degrees, seems even hotter to soldiers uprooted from winter back in Columbus, Ga.

Soldiers with loaded M-16s stand guard over their fellow GIs whose main task is to make the roads passable so relief supplies can get through to the hinterlands of this east African nation, where starvation and anarchy reign.

"The heat's no problem, once you adapt to it," says Spc. Larry Chadwick. "I just hope what we're doing helps these people get food and stuff."

Road-building is the name of the game for 43rd Engineer Battalion soldiers here, some 215 miles north of the 36th Engineer Group's main camp at Mogadishu.

But there are other jobs as well. Somebody has to build the showers, flooring for tents and other "creature comfort" facilities to make soldiers feel a little more at home in the desert. Soldiers are told to keep their skin slick with insect repellent; malaria and tuberculosis are threats, as well as are creepy-crawly things like Black Mambas and eight-inch-long centipedes with so many legs GIs call them "millipedes."

In the night, guards with loaded weapons watch prowlers sneak up to the concertina wire boundaries of their main camps; a flare or two is popped, and the would-be intruders vanish. Native drums and occasional gunfire make sleep a little difficult at times.

Spc. Larry Chadwick is clad in the mandatory flak jacket and Kevlar helmet that soldiers anywhere outside the main base camps are ordered to wear. With the extra 20 pounds or so of weight, he is sweaty and grimy, early into his day, working several kilometers south of the Wajiid main camp.

His road grader stirs a long trail of red, flour-like dust. "The heat's no problem, once you adapt to it," he says. "I just hope what we're doing helps these people get food and stuff."

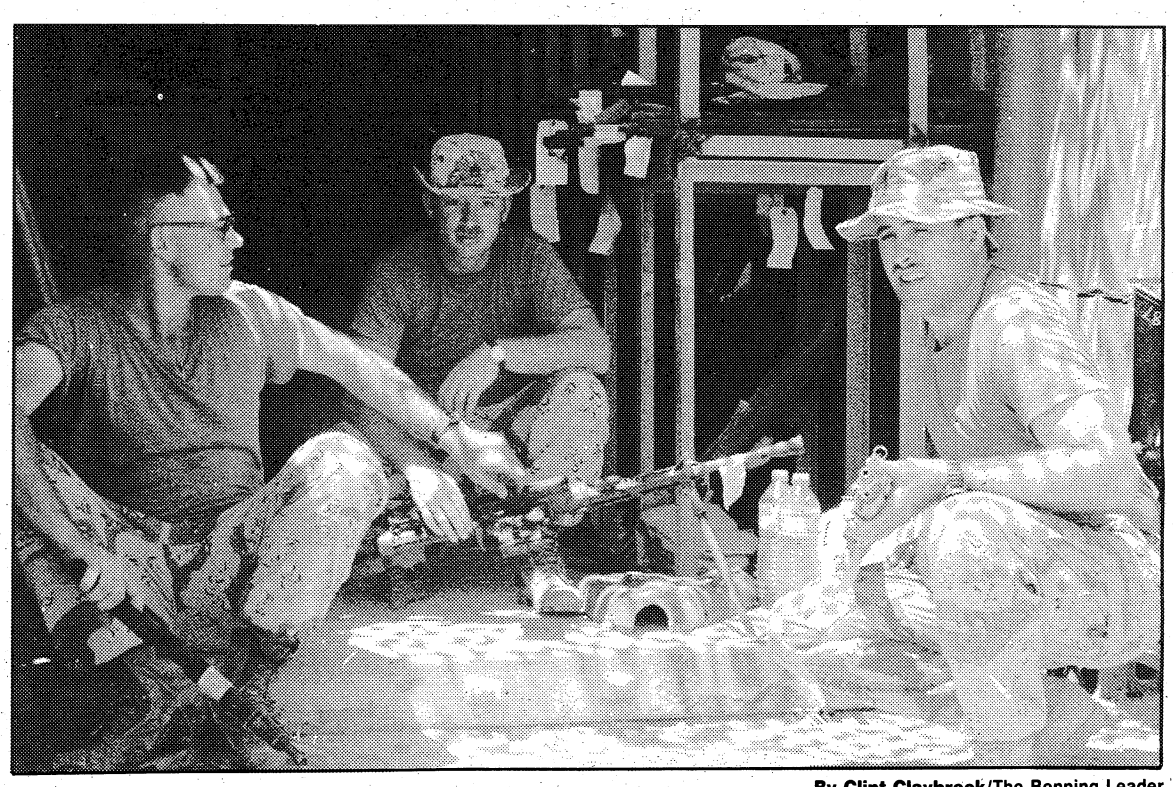
Chadwick says his and other units "are going through a lot of tires," some of which cost $1,000 or more apiece, because of sharp rocks that lie just under the surface of the sand in this north-central part of Somalia. The 36th Group now has its own purchasing agent in Nairobi, Kenya, buying the parts, tires and other supplies necessary to keep the engineers' road-building crews on the job. Purchases through Kenya are airlifted to Mogadishu.

Some of the unit's "vertical construction" crews will help French Foreign Legion troops and regular French Army troops and maybe the Brazilians and others construct shower stalls, the stand-up dining tables in vogue here, two and three-seater latrines and maybe even a few bookshelves like the one some soldiers at Mogadishu were moving into their tent last week.

Some of these Fort Benning soldiers were surprised during a visit to the Foreign Legion camp last week: There were sit-down dining facilities, and brandy snifters were aligned on top of a refrigerator in the dining hall. These troops haven't seen ice here, and refrigerators like the Legionnaires had in their dining facility are nearly as scarce as indoor bathrooms — of which there are none.

Pfc. James Brush said it's just fine to be kept busy here. Black diesel smoke is blowing out his road-grader and swirling dark, red dust is drifting across the backs of a camel caravan marching past.

"I think it's good we're getting a lot of stick (operating) time," he said. "I'm just hoping to get the job done and get ready to go home."



By Clint Claybrook/The Benning Leader

Sgt. Robert McNeely, Staff Sgt. William Sealey and 1st Lt. Brian Clubb look over a cache of arms and ammunition impounded from or turned in by Somalis in the Mogadishu area. The soldiers are with Fort Benning's 608th Ordnance Company.

Not everyone sees the job here as being tied to relief for the hard-pressed Somalis. "As far as a humanitarian mission, I'd say I'm not doing anything to help these people out," one soldier groused. "The only thing I've done is to help my fellow soldiers by building shower stalls, latrines and flooring for tents."

Other soldiers, however, say it's just a job. "I just hope I'm home by April 22," one sergeant said. "If not that, it will be three anniversaries in a row I've missed."

Capt. Bernadine Thomson, commander of the 43rd Engineers' Alpha Company, said her troops are not only helping American soldiers — and some foreign ones — stay comfortable, but also helping area villagers by testing their communal wells, building a shelter over one and helping eliminate some of the standing water around the well.

"Soldiers think this is a chance to help these people," she said. "They never realized they had it so good until they saw how these people live. . . . We're trying to help the soldiers as well as the villagers."

Lt. Col. Dwight Durham, the 43rd's battalion commander, said last week that his crews should be able to push through 12-20 kilometers of rebuilt or newly made road a day from Jilib north, once they got past a mine field just north of the town.

Things, they are a changing in Africa: A couple of years ago, a Somali man could buy a 14-year-old bride for 100 camels — if his parents agreed to that dowry, said a Somali man who works with the U.S. troops in Jilib. "Now the price is 100 camels — and an AK-47 (Russian-made rifle)."

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STANDING TALL

Top 'drill' turns out top soldiers

Malloy chosen post's best drill sergeant

By Jerry Rutledge
Leader Editor

Staff Sgt. Rory Malloy became a drill instructor out of concern for the quality of soldier he was seeing.

"I was serving in Vincenza, Italy and we had been seeing some troops, every once in a while, that wasn't what I'd like for them to be," said Malloy. "I felt that becoming a drill sergeant would help me make an impact, being the first guy to become involved with them.

"Plus, being a noncommissioned officer, our primary mission is to train soldiers. Nothing can be more rewarding than taking a civilian, bringing him into the Army and transforming him into a soldier."

Malloy is very pleased with how it all has worked out. Two years after finishing as the distinguished honor graduate of his class at Drill Sergeant's School, Malloy is now Fort Benning's Drill Sergeant of the Year. He has been honored as drill sergeant of the quarter twice at both the brigade and battalion levels and has also been selected the trainer/maintainer of the month at brigade level.

The latest honor came at the end of a rigorous competition which pitted Malloy against other top drill sergeants on Sand Hill. "It was very tough. There are a lot of good drill sergeants here and to be selected the best at the end of a competition is quite an honor."

The fact Malloy volunteered to become a drill instructor is unusual in itself. Most drill sergeants are selected by the Department of the Army. "It means a lot of long hours and hard work. A good sergeant has to be committed to producing the best soldier possible," said Malloy. "We have a lot of good drill sergeants out here who share that commitment to quality."

Malloy says the quality of the soldier coming down the pike these days is better for many different reasons.

"Nothing can be more rewarding than taking a civilian, bringing him into the Army and transforming him into a soldier," says Staff Sgt. Rory Malloy, Fort Benning's Drill Sergeant of the Year.

By Joe Maher/The Benning Leader

Staff Sgt. Rory Malloy, who volunteered to become a drill instructor, works with a recruit during M-16 training.

"The soldiers are better educated. A lot of them have at least some college education, if not a degree, which is certainly different from when I came into the Army or perhaps some of the sergeant majors," said the eight-year Army man. "Their physical conditioning isn't as good as it used to be several years ago, so that's one obstacle a drill sergeant really has to focus on.

"But today's soldier is being much better trained, because of the way we are going about doing it here in the training brigade and the Army. We've taken a 13-week OSUT (One Station Unit Training) cycle and we break it down into five phases. Each of those phases has a main thrust of training, the main area you are focusing on. However, training in that area doesn't end in that phase."

Malloy says today's training is better synergistically.

"It's a continuous building process. We like to think of it as a 'win, win' philosophy," he said. "You're constantly telling them they can meet standards. They are achieving short term goals as they progress from one gate to another, from phase to phase. And in the end, you have produced a good quality soldier.

"We used to train by evaluations. You (the soldier) would train from test to test. After the test, often times, they would forget about it: 'I've passed that, so let me move on to the next project.' But now what we're doing, especially here in the Infantry Training Brigade, is taking and focusing on the things they do on Day 1 and continually building. We continuously assess them the entire 13 weeks. It never ends. So the things they did in week one, even though they were evaluated on it and they received, say, a gold status, it doesn't end there. On like the 12th week, when they go on a field training exercise, we are still continuously looking at all those tasks. In the last couple of weeks, we go over everything. That's our last chance to make any corrections. Then we have an overall picture, a complete soldier."

"What the Army requires now days with the reduction-in-force is not an 'average' soldier," Malloy said. "Once you could be average and make it. Now you have to be much better trained and proficient in more or less everything the Army is doing."

Malloy said that with the number of soldiers in the Army going down, improving the quality of the force becomes increasingly important. "What the Army requires now days with the reduction-in-force is not an 'average' soldier," he said. "Once you could be average and make it. Now you have to be much better trained and proficient in more or less everything the Army is doing. I guess you could say a soldier has to offer the Army more so that the Army will keep you."

The drill instructors of today aren't very different from those Malloy encountered when he entered the Army. The quality of instructors are the same, but the methods of training are different and more beneficial to the soldier.

Staff Sgt. Rory Malloy

Age: 28.

Hometown: Campbellsburg, Ind.

Family: Wife Deborah; daughter Danielle, 3; son Rory Andrew, 5.

Present: Drill sergeant, Headquarters Service Company, Infantry Training Brigade; Drill Sergeant of the Year for Fort Benning.

Future: Producing more, solidly qualified soldiers with Ranger School a distinct possibility.

COVER STORY

Pvt. Billy Slappey checks out his AT-4 during training with the anti-tank 'munition' at Dukes Range on post.

Recruits learn to kill a tank

By Clint Claybrook
Staff Writer

It's not only the M-16 rifle that basic trainees at Fort Benning learn to handle. There are other weapons like the M-60 machine gun, hand grenades and one deadly "piece" the Army doesn't even call a weapon — the AT-4.

Since this 14.8 pound "throw-away" anti-tank round and the tube it's launched from are all one piece, the Army calls it a munition rather than a weapon, explained Fort Benning spokesman Al Blanchard. The piece is, in official jargon, the M1A36-AT-4.

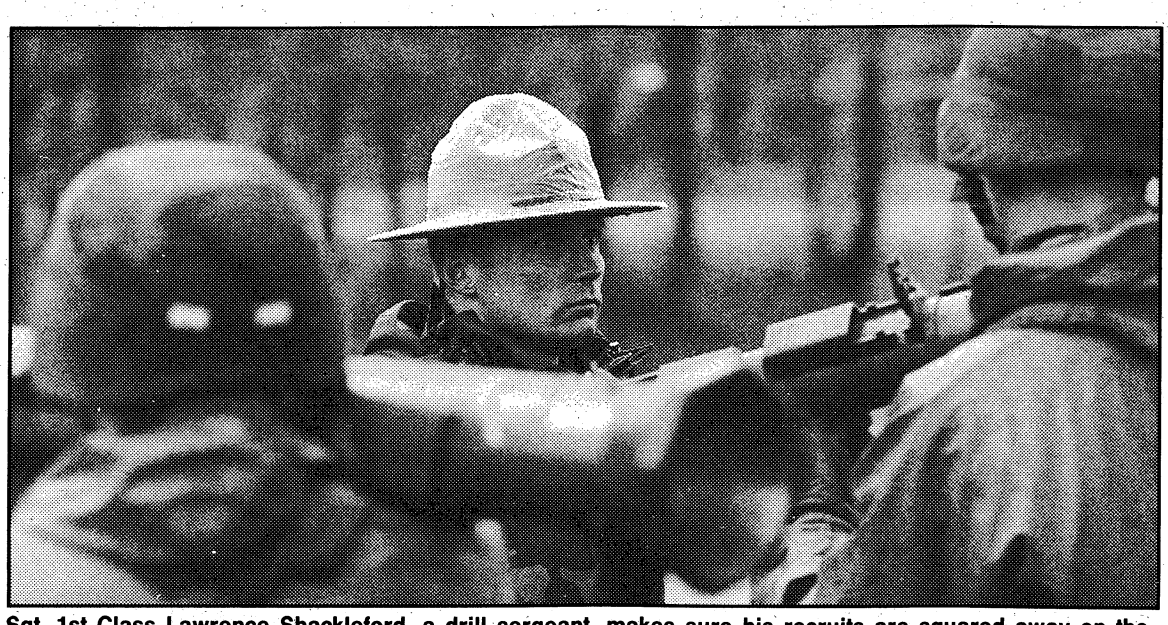
The AT-4 has an effective range of 300 meters and One Station Unit Training soldiers get one day on the AT-4 range as part of their introduction to the Army's arsenal of weapons. They get more than minor warnings about what happens in the opposite direction every time they shoot it — there's a "back blast" danger range of 60 meters. Stand behind your buddy when he cranks off one of these rounds and you'll at least get your hair singed, some skin burned away — and maybe a lot worse, instructors repeatedly warn the young soldiers.

Because of the high cost of a live round, only the two "top guns" in each day's practice on the AT-4 range get to fire live rounds and then only two rounds each.

Leader photographer Joe Maher caught these trainees from Capt. Vesen Thompson's A Co., 3rd Battalion, 32nd Infantry from the Infantry Training Brigade at work recently.

About the cover

Richard Haller, a One Station Unit Training soldier, gets ready for his turn with the AT-4, a throw-away anti-tank munition during his company's one day of training on this weapon system at Duke Range. Photo taken by Joe Maher.



Sgt. 1st Class Lawrence Shackleford, a drill sergeant, makes sure his recruits are squared away on the AT-4 anti-tank weapon.

ISSUES

Naval Academy turns up evidence of cheating

Associated Press

ANNAPOLIS, Md. — Investigators have turned up evidence 28 midshipmen at the Naval Academy may have cheated on an December electrical engineering exam, officials said last week.

The inquiry by the Naval Investigative Service is continuing, but it is "wrapped up to the point that we can refer a number of cases to the honor board," said Cmdr. Mike John, a public affairs officer.

The punishment for honor code violations such as cheating is expulsion from the Navy.

The last major cheating incident at the academy was in 1974, when seven midshipmen in a navigation course were expelled and 13 were placed on honors probation, John said.

He stressed, though, that the latest charges were not yet proved. "I do not want to hazard a guess the number that will be disciplined," he said.

The investigation began in December after academy officials learned that a copy of the final examination for the junior level course was missing.

A midshipman then told officials that he had heard that at least one student had a copy of the examination before it was given. About 700 midshipmen took the course.

The accused midshipmen face hearings before honor boards made up of fellow midshipmen. Findings of honor code violations proceed through military channels to the academy superintendent.

The electrical engineering department was the subject of an investigation in 1990 following complaints from faculty members that they were ordered to increase grades because too many midshipmen were failing courses or getting low grades.

RELIGION

Christians, Jews finally exploring beliefs together

By George Cornell
Associated Press

At long last, those biblical kinfolk, Jews and Christians, are getting together for extended, concentrated examination of each other's religious beliefs.

The project is described as their first for regular interchange specifically focused on theological concepts.

"There hasn't been any mechanism for it, no organization doing it," says Rabbi Jack Bemporad, director of the new Center for Christian-Jewish Understanding, based at Sacred Heart University in Fairfield, Conn.

While Jewish and Christian organizations for years have cultivated friendly relations, worked to eliminate prejudice and often cooperated in community tasks, there has been scant mutual exploring of religious thought.

"Either it wasn't discussed, or it was just one of a hundred other things," Bemporad said. "It got lost. Most of the attention was on other matters."

But he said the new center, established last June, with participation by Jewish, Roman Catholic, Protestant and Eastern Orthodox scholars, is devoted solidly to digging into their basic theologies.

Among the questions: What beliefs do they share? Where do they differ? Have they known each other authentically or distortedly? In what respects? In what ways can they learn from and enhance each other?

The goal, intended to be spread to grass-roots congregations across the country, is for people of each tradition to get to understand the other realistically — just as they understand themselves.

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"We can't just have sweet, superficial kind of talk," Bemporad said. "It's necessary for each of us to be absolutely blunt about our own religious convictions, instead of just being nice and polite.

"We've reached the stage where there's enough good will on both sides to deal together with the truths conceived about our own respective traditions and with attitudes toward each other."

Bemporad, 59, rabbi of Temple Israel in Lawrence, N.Y., for five years managed interreligious affairs for the Synagogue Council of America, representing Judaism's three major wings, prior to heading the new center.

He's experienced in ecumenical affairs, has taught at Protestant and Catholic universities, speaks several language. His fluent Italian gives him special rapport with Rome.

Up to now, he said various reasons have kept theology pushed aside in Jewish-Christian relations, such as the Orthodox Jewish prohibition against including theology in interreligious talks and also Christianity's historical view of superseding Judaism.

But that superior attitude of displacement of the "mother" religion has been abandoned in Roman Catholicism and in much of Protestantism, both by church policies and in the evidence of centuries.

Most Christian scholars have "developed a theology of a living Judaism instead of a dead Judaism," Bemporad said. "They recognize it as a continuing, creative religion, that the covenant between God and Israel is 'irrevocable' (as Romans 11:29 says)."

Bemporad said the center has an initial budget of about $1 million annually, provided by individual donors. Sacred Heart University, an independent, lay-run institution, is providing office space and other cooperation, including extensive publishing and film facilities for disseminating results of joint studies throughout ranks of believers.

Bemporad said Christians need to clarify the place of Judaism in their salvation account, and Jews need to clarify the role of Christians in the Jewish understanding of salvation.

He said varying concepts of messiah need to be clarified. He also said Jews need to review their attitude toward Christianity in light of changing attitudes toward Judaism.

IN BRIEF

Afro-American retreat being held

The Chaplains Family Life Center will present a free Afro-American retreat at the Infantry Center Chapel Annex, Building 101, today and Saturday. The guest speaker will be Dr. Eugene Robinson of the Georgia Association for Pastoral Care.

Robinson has published several journals on Afro-American worship and is board member of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

For more information and registration, call Chaplain (Maj.) James Rayburn at 545-1760.

SUPPORT GROUP: An adult survivors of sexual abuse support group has been formed and will meet every Wednesday through April 14 at the Chaplains Family Life Center, Soldier's Plaza, building 2606. For more information, contact Chaplain (Maj.) James Rayburn at 545-1760.

CONFIRMATION: Classes for Catholic adults who have not been confirmed will begin Sunday at 1 p.m. in the Religious Education Center, Building 2522. To register, call Phil Reilly at 545-5508.

RAMADAN: Ramadan, the holy month of fasting for the people of the Al-Islamic faith, is expected to begin Sunday evening, the first evening that the new moon is due to set after sundown.

Beginning the following morning, Muslims all over the world will abstain from eating, drinking (even water), sexual gratification and smoking each day from first light until sundown.

This period of abstinence includes refrain from loud talk, arguments, frivolity and other displays of emotion; it is designed to keep Muslims' minds focused on spirituality.

For more information, call Imam Yahya Ansar Islam of Masjid Al-Nur Islamic Community at 689-6922 or write to Al-Muhsee Muhammad at 1233 Garrett St., Indianhead, Fort Benning, Ga. 31905.

PREBAPTISM CLASS: A prebaptism class will be held Sunday and March 24 at 1 p.m. at the Religious Education Center, Buildings 2517 and 2522, located off Indianhead Road, behind the Quartermaster Laundry.

There are three sessions in each cycle.

MEGASKILLS: The Chaplains Family Life Center and Columbus College will present workshops for parents and children Feb. 24 and March 10, 17, 24 and 31 from 11 a.m. to noon at the Chaplains' Family Life Center.

For more information, call Chaplain (Maj.) James Rayburn at 545-1760.

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AT EASE

LaGrange composer's music to float through planetarium

From staff reports

A series of public performances at the Patterson Planetarium, 2900 Woodruff Farm Road, will feature the music of composer Lee Johnson.

Johnson is the head of the music department at LaGrange College, and composer-in-residence at Commercial Sight & Sound (CSS).

The Sunday and Monday performances coincide with the debut of Johnson's new album, "The Match," which will be released on the Tikal Records label. Performances are at 6 p.m., 7:15 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. Admission is free.

The album's individual cuts form a thematic thread, which tells the story of an imaginary chess match.

"I want the listener to ponder the game of chess and the way it mirrors life," said Johnson. He said the chess pieces and other aspects of the game are represented through musical portraits. "On a spiritual level, we see the good and the bad, the sublime and the terrible, and the ongoing struggle for understanding, authority and position."

The music on "The Match" includes jazz, classical and other improvisatory styles, combined to form a new genre known as world music.

The compact disc/cassette release marks a subtle departure for the LaGrange resident, who until now has found notoriety in the worlds of concert music and commercial music. In 1991, Johnson was to his LaGrange College post, where he is currently spearheading a revival of the school's music major with a new emphasis on commercial and electronic music.

In March, he will conduct a series of concerts to honor Fuller E. Callaway Jr., the late LaGrange native and noted philanthropist. Johnson was commissioned to compose a symphony in tribute to "the memory of Callaway's life, faith and generosity."

The piece will be sung by a chorus of voices from LaGrange College, Auburn University, Georgia Institute of Technology, the University of Georgia and the LaFayette Chorale. The orchestra includes musicians from the Atlanta Ballet Symphony and the Birmingham Symphony Orchestra.

In addition to his duties at LaGrange College, Johnson has orchestrated and conducted a number of broadcast scores, including the Emmy Award-winning "It May Not Be Tara," a Walt Disney World production of "The Young Indiana Jones" and Turner Broadcasting's "Tom & Jerry's Funhouse."

He has composed for McDTV's "Ronald's Road Show," Peach State Public Radio's "Georgia Outdoors" and "Song of the Chattahoochee: Music for the Olympic Flag Whistle Stop Tour." The composer has received two grants from the McKnight Foundation and a grant from the Georgia Council of the Arts.

Johnson is producer-editor for a new catalog of MIDI "RehearScores" for Music Theater International, New York. Recent works include "West Side Story" and the Broadway revival of "Guys and Dolls."

In addition, he has written music for film/video soundtracks, compact disc interactive programs and TV/radio broadcasts under the CSS banner. His client list includes the Columbus Medical Center, Creative Resource Group, Eddie Horst Music, Kaydon Corp., Mansour's and Milliken & Co.

Johnson is a frequent lecturer at public schools, universities and civic organizations. He holds a master's in music from Indiana University and graduated magna cum laude from Auburn University.

For more information about the Patterson Planetarium performances, call 569-2549.

Planetarium

What: Composer Lee Johnson's music is accompanied by lasers and special effects in an hour-long program hosted by the composer.

Where: Patterson Planetarium, 2900 Woodruff Farm Road.

When: 6 p.m., 7:15 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. Sunday and Monday.

Information: Free, seating is limited on a first-come, first-served basis. Children 5 and under will not be admitted. 569-2549.

At the movies

Listings for Feb. 19-25

TODAY

Malcolm X (PG-13) 7 p.m., Sand Hill

Night and the City (R) 7 p.m., Main Post

Trespass (R) 9:15 p.m., Main Post

SATURDAY

Malcolm X (PG-13) 2 p.m., Sand Hill

Leap of Faith (PG-13) 2 p.m., Main Post

Rampage (R) 6:30 p.m., Sand Hill

School Ties (PG-13) 7 p.m., Main Post

The Bodyguard (R) 9 p.m., Main Post

SUNDAY

Passenger 57 (R) 2 p.m., Sand Hill

Leap of Faith (PG-13) 2 p.m., Main Post

Consenting Adults (R) 4 p.m., Sand Hill

The Bodyguard (R) 7 p.m., Main Post

MONDAY

Rapid Fire (R) 7 p.m., Main Post

TUESDAY

The Bodyguard (R) 7 p.m., Main Post

WEDNESDAY

Leap of Faith (PG-13) 7 p.m., Main Post

THURSDAY

Rapid Fire (R) 7 p.m., Main Post

Military golf tournament set for June

The 32nd Annual Military Dependents' Championship Golf Tournament will be played this year at Camp Lajeune, Calif., June 21-24.

The first tournament was a 36-hole event held at Andrews Air Force Base and since that time it has grown to 54 holes and is held annually at various Army, Marine Corps, Navy and Air Force installations throughout the U.S.

The tournament is open to female dependents and widows of active duty or retired military personnel from the Army, Marine Corps, Navy, Air Force and Coast Guard.

The tournament includes an 18-hole round on Monday followed by three days of stroke play competition rounds Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. During the four days of the tournament there will be a Welcome Aboard Party, a Score Watching Party and an Awards Banquet on the last day of play.

Deadline for entry is March 1. For further information, contact Polly Kopka, Tournament Director, at (919) 326-6830.

Blue Angel Marathon being held in Pensacola

PENSACOLA, Fla. — Naval Air Station Pensacola will hold its 10th annual Blue Angel Marathon and 5-kilometer Run on Feb. 27.

This year's "Official Navy Marathon," a qualifier for the Boston Marathon, will begin at 8 a.m., followed by the 5K at 9 a.m.

The marathon course of flat to rolling terrain, winds through the air station and historic Pensacola. With registration up from last year, a record number of participants are expected.

The overall male and female winners will receive round trip air fare to the 1993 Boston Marathon. A pair of Avia running shoes will go to the first place finishers in each age group. Awards will be given to the first three finishers in the wheelchair division. Military and civilian teams will receive awards for the first three places in each division.

This year, for the first time, the United States Military Sports Association will provide awards to the top two male and female active duty military service teams, the top three male and female military installation teams, the top three male and female active duty finishers, and the top active duty male and female military finishers in each age group.

For entry fees and registration forms, write Blue Angel Marathon, Building 632, c/o MWR, Naval Air Station, Pensacola, Fla. 32508-5000 or call (904) 452-2159/2843/Autovon 922-2159. Media representatives interested in covering the marathon, should contact Michele Harrison, (904) 452-2311.

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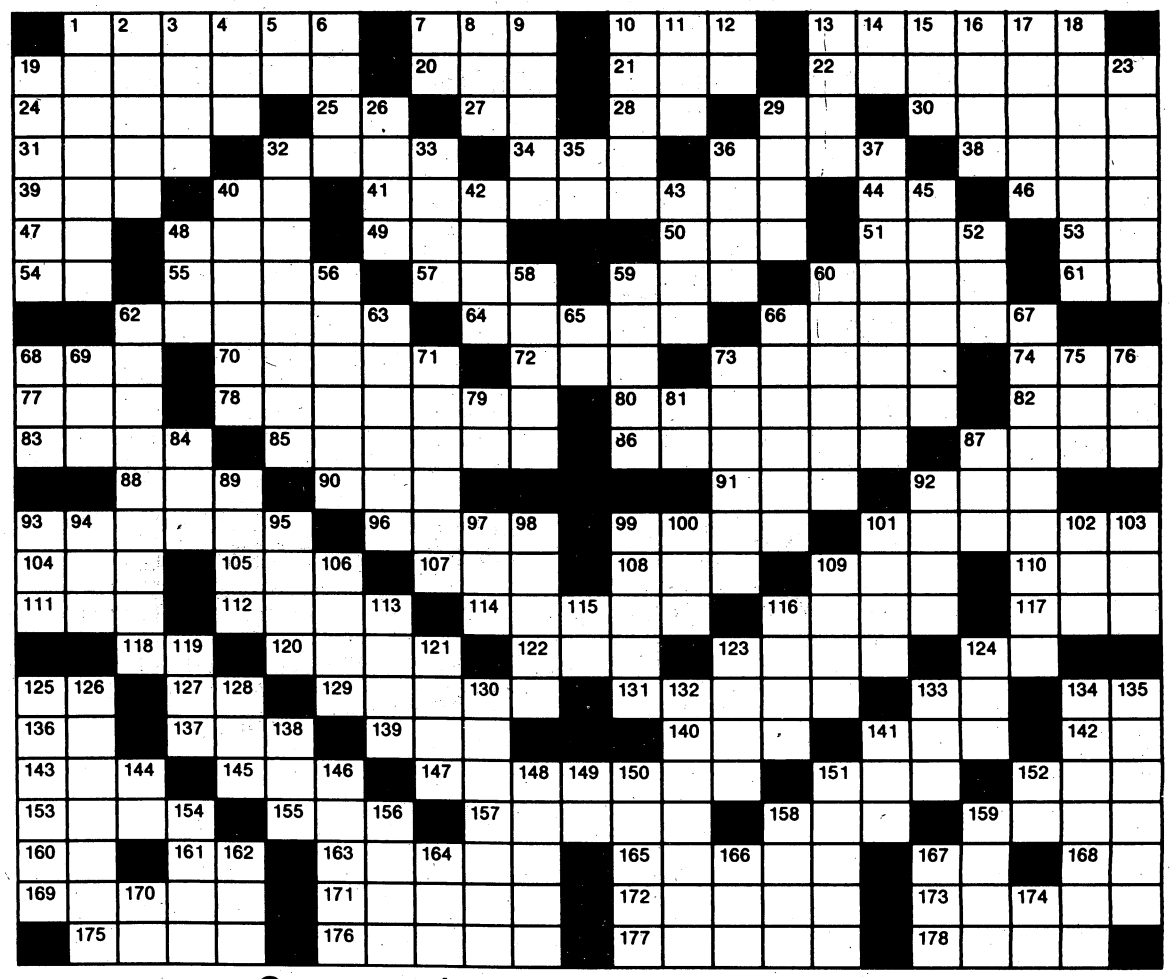

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76 Affirmative
79 French article
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92 Female relative
93 Ocean
94 Hawaiian wreath
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99 Lawful
100 Anger
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119 Vast age
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141 June honoree
144 You and I
146 Conspiracy
148 — Drive
149 That thing
150 Lowest point
151 Tosses
152 Three-toed sloth
154 Chinese currency
156 Tibetan priest
158 Transaction
159 Flutter
162 Cloth measure
164 Distress signal
166 Born
167 Ordinance
170 "Let It —"
174 Latin conjunction

Crossword puzzle answer on Page 24

Fleischer finds peace in creating beautiful pottery

By Sandra Okamoto
Arts & Leisure Editor

After urging her two sons to take pottery lessons, Judy Fleischer decided to try making a pot.

From that first pot came a love of the craft. An exhibit of her work from the past 18 months is on display now at the Britt David Studios on the corner of Armour and West Britt David roads.

"It's something I've always had been interested in," said Fleischer at the studio last week. "I persuaded my children to take classes and then I decided to try it one day.

"It's so peaceful and relaxing. I'm tickled to find I can create something beautiful."

Even though sons Evan and Zachary took lessons, she did not until last summer when she attended the Arrowmont Arts and Crafts School in Gatlinburg, Tenn.

Fleischer says her interest in pottery "may be genetic." A first cousin does fine porcelain work in Atlanta.

The Britt David exhibit contains her Southwestern-style pottery. "Our family spent winter holidays in Arizona" in 1991 and there, she was inspired to create her own pottery.

"The bright, brilliant red clay" of the Grand Canyon "kind of inspired me." Most of her pots are hand-done, but a few pieces were done on a potter's wheel.

"I sometimes throw on a wheel and then distort them and combine them."

She uses lizella clay, which gives the pots their deep red color. She uses an iron oxide stain. Reclaimed clay gives some the pots a lovely peach color.

Right now, Fleischer is overseeing the building of her own pottery studio at her home.

"The kiln her (at Britt David) fires at two temperatures," she explained. "I have to have more variety and more control over the temperature."

She wants to start doing more porcelain work and needs the control in the electric kiln that she doesn't have at Britt David.

"I'm working toward getting really good at porcelain."

But she says she'll never stop doing some work at the public studio.

"I love Britt David," she said. "I love being with other people. You can learn just by observing other people. And just the camaraderie here is important."

Britt David Studios is open 9 a.m.-5 p.m. weekdays and 7:30-10 p.m. Monday, Tuesday and Thursday through February.

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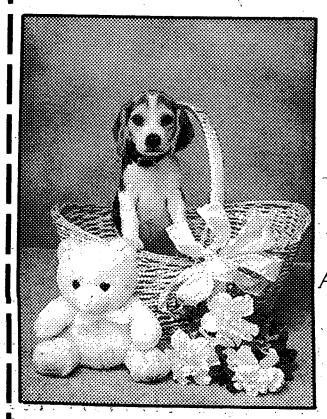

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UNIT NEWS

Ranger commander bids troops farewell

By Clint Claybrook
Staff Writer

The battalion, in addition to getting a new commander, also received a meritorious unit award for its action during the invasion of Panama.

The outgoing commander of Fort Benning's 3rd Ranger Battalion told his troops they looked "magnificent," as he said goodbye at a change of command ceremony Feb. 11.

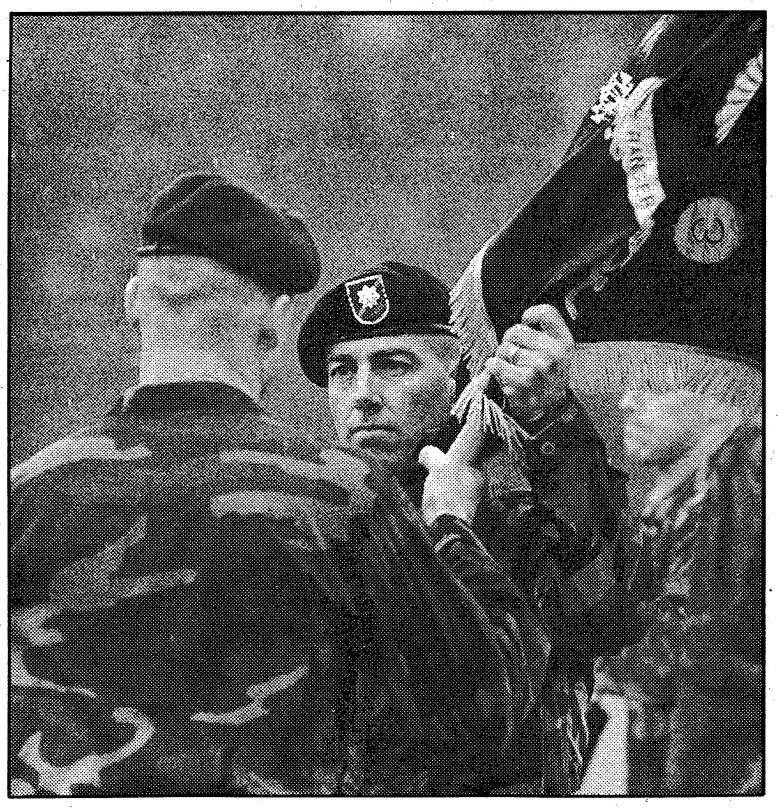
Maybe they did to Lt. Col Francis H. Kearney III. To some other observers, however, they looked all wet — soaking wet.

It was not a downpour, just a steady heavy drizzle that drenched the troops as Lt. Col. Danny R. McKnight took over command of the battalion. Kearney had held the job only since October after Lt. Col. John T. Kenneally, the former battalion commander, was killed in a helicopter crash in Utah that claimed the lives of several other servicemen.

Kearney is headed to command the 1st Battalion, 501st Infantry (Airborne) at Fort Richardson, Alaska, in June after he completes some Army pre-command courses, the Army said.

McKnight, a Florida State University graduate, previously served several tours at Fort Benning with the 75th Ranger Regiment and the battalion he now will command.

The battalion, in addition to getting a new commander, also received a meritorious unit award for its action during the invasion of Panama at the Thursday ceremony.



By Joe Maher/The Benning Leader
Incoming 3rd Ranger Battalion commander Lt. Col. Danny McKnight (facing camera) receives his unit's colors from 75th Ranger Regiment commander Col. David Grange at Peden Field.

Infantry unit changes hands

Command of the 2nd Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment changed hands Feb. 12 during a ceremony on Kyle Field.

Lt. Col. Robert I. Hoidahl, whose most recent assignment was the chief of the Leadership Division, Combined Arms and Tactics Directorate of the Infantry School, took command from Lt. Col. John C. Cray, who has been reassigned as the commander of Joint Task Force Full Accounting-Hanoi in Hanoi, Vietnam.

Cray had previously commanded companies in the 82nd Airborne Division and the 2nd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment.

He has commanded the 2nd Battalion since February 1991.

Hoidahl, born in Chicago, graduated from Purdue University in 1973 and subsequently enlisted in the Army. He graduated from Officer Candidate School in January 1975. He has previously served as a detachment commander in the 5th Special Forces Group.

DEFENSE

Powell doesn't step on toes in report

Chicago Tribune

"The report's biggest failing is that it fails to treat squarely the conventional strategic bombing mission," said Bob Gaskin, a former Air Force colonel and alumnus of the Joint Staff.

WASHINGTON — The U.S. military's top brass guard their roles and missions more fervently than the battle streamers on their service's flags.

Congress, which has an interest in saving people and money, passed a law in 1986 that requires the United States' top military officer, the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, to submit a "roles and missions" report every three years, with the implied expectation that these periodic reviews would root out inefficiency and duplication.

Last Friday, Gen. Colin L. Powell, chairman of the Joint Chiefs, released his report on the future of the four military services, which perhaps was more significant for what it did not propose than the modest adjustments it offered.

It was a report that nibbled on the services' trouser cuffs but studiously avoided stepping on any one service's toes.

If the task of providing close air support to ground troops remains divided among the tactical air forces of the Army, Navy, Marine Corps and Air Force, the complementary capabilities of jets and attack helicopters are a good thing, Powell pronounced.

"My mother didn't raise a fool," Powell said in an offhanded way of justifying a study that avoided a pitched battle over such contentious issues.

Associated Press
The report by Joint Chiefs of Staff chairman Gen. Colin Powell offered up $1 billion to $2 billion in potential savings — a far cry from the military cuts President Clinton has been seeking.

If President Clinton is looking for defense cuts on the order of $60 billion over the next few years, as he pledged during the campaign, he will have to look elsewhere for guidance. The Joint Chiefs had their chance, and they passed.

"We are not here posturing ourselves to resist (deeper cuts)," Powell said, by way of explaining that the study was begun under President George Bush, who was not calling for wholesale defense reform.

In August, Clinton declared in a Los Angeles speech that, if elected, he would sit down with the generals and admirals and hammer out real changes to arrangements that have remained largely fixed since the bitter interservice debates over roles and missions in the late 1940s.

Instead, Powell's report offered up $1 billion to $2 billion in potential savings by consolidating some logistics and training functions.

Knotty issues were assigned to "further study" or sidestepped altogether.

"The report's biggest failing is that it fails to treat squarely the conventional strategic bombing mission," said Bob Gaskin, a former Air Force colonel and alumnus of the Joint Staff.

Gaskin, now with Business Executives for National Security, a lobby group that supports a more efficient defense, said the Air Force and Navy are investing heavily in this mission.

The Air Force is pushing ahead with its B-2, or Stealth, bomber force and is converting almost 100 B-1 bombers and dozens of B-52s to carry heavy payloads of conventional bombs.

At the same time, the Navy is forging ahead with an enormously costly long-range, carrier-based, attack bomber called the AX.

"The capability of long-range, land-based air power today really calls into question the need for sophisticated deep-strike aircraft on carriers," Gaskin said.

Indeed, the Navy's AX project was dubbed by one Pentagon staffer as "a carrier-capable B-1 bomber." It is supposed to feature radar-evading stealth technology, an unrefueled range of 650 miles or more and a greater bombload than a World War II B-17.

Internal Pentagon documents indicate that the first batch of AXs could cost nearly $300 million apiece, which is close to the unit cost of the B-1 bomber during the 1980s.

Gaskin pointed out that the Navy's latest strategy document, titled "From the Sea," emphasizes the need for greater capability to operate in waters close to shore.

"Why pour precious capital into deep-strike?" Gaskin asked, when the same funds could be used to improve the Navy's capability in close-in fire support and mine-clearing operations.

Indeed, other experts on naval warfare suggest that the fire-support problem could be redressed by outfitting the Navy's destroyers with a lightweight 8-inch gun.

COMMENTARY

AUSA backs keeping Reserves in top shape

As the active Army force is reduced to the lowest level since before World War II, the importance of maintaining well equipped, ready and trained Reserve Component forces becomes imperative.

Ben Register

Historically, the Reserve Components have provided between 70-80 percent of the combat service support force structure of the Total Army and a sizable portion of combat support forces. Combat Divisions and Training Divisions provide the capability to reinforce combat capability as later deploying units.

The commitment of Reserve Component soldiers to the Army has been commendable with sacrifices that include taking personal job leave time for summer training encampments, weekend drills, non-resident home training courses for professional development and technical proficiency and loss of civilian job time to meet military requirements. A successful Reserve or National Guard military career takes much more time than that allotted for paid drill time. The understanding and support by the business community employers is also a vital need. There have been some highs and lows in this support, however. Many companies have policies which provide job security and positive recognition of this important service.

With the downsizing of the Army, there will be many highly qualified soldiers with combat experience who have been trained on high technology equipment to execute modern tactical operations that will be available for Reserve Component service. It is prudent that this valuable investment be maintained as a part of the Total Army to strengthen the Reserve Component force structure. Without question, a major challenge to Department of the Army planners will be to maintain force flexibility, balance and capability with reduced response times to meet the range of worldwide conflict requirements of a CONUS based military force. Reserve Component forces become a critical element in this equation.

The Association of the United States Army is concerned about the Total Army and approved a strong resolution for 1993 regarding Reserve Component forces. This resolution follows:

AUSA Resolution 93-10
Reserve Component Forces

The Army National Guard and Army Reserve provide more than 50 percent of the soldiers in the Total Army. All components of the Total Army must be properly equipped, well trained, and have highly motivated soldiers. Full-time support (FTS) for the Reserve Components is an integral part of Total Army readiness. Any shortfalls in FTS manning and funding impairs the readiness and capability of the Army National Guard and Army Reserve.

The Reserve Components must have appropriate incentive programs to attract and retain qualified Army National Guard and Army Reserve soldiers.

We therefore resolve to urge the Administration and Congress to:

■ Increase FTS authorization and appropriations to meet identified requirements.

■ Continue to support readiness improvements to include:

■ Equipment modernization programs, such as replacement of aging combat and tactical vehicle fleets, with total package fielding.

■ Construction and maintenance of necessary facilities, training, areas and ranges.

■ Training devices, simulations, and simulators.

We further resolve to urge the Administration and the Congress to:

■ Continue to improve recruiting and retention incentives such as bonuses, education assistance and family support programs.

■ Increase the ROTC Advance Course monthly stipend.

■ Continue assistance for Employer Support of the Army National Guard and Army Reserve.

■ Enact the Reserve Officer Personnel Management Act.

■ Support funding for a viable Individual Mobilization Augmentee (IMA) program.

■ Extend eligibility for veterans' home loans to Reserve Component members.

■ Amend the law to eliminate the disqualification of Simultaneous Membership Program ROTC cadets for retirement and longevity credit earned through Reserve Component participation.

■ Delete the forfeiture provisions of the VSI/SBP program, which discourages service in Reserve Component units.

■ Support Servicemembers' Civil Relief Act (SCRA) legislation to update, clarify, and change the current Soldiers' and Sailors' Civil Relief Act.

Ben Register, a retired lieutenant general, is president of the Chattahoochee Valley-Fort Benning Chapter of the Association of the United States Army (AUSA).

COMMUNITY

Seminar to help parents, children 'learn together'

From staff reports

A free seminar on activities parents and young children can do together will be presented from 7 to 8:30 p.m. March 3 at Dexter School.

The final session of the five-part Talks About Young Children series, "Learning Together" focuses on activities to do at home and on the community resources available to parents and children ages 5 and younger.

Staff members of the Fort Benning school system will lead the seminar, which will include sessions on reading to children, mathematics-related activities, places to visit, effective discipline and cooking and wood-working activities.

Reservations are required and will be taken until March 1, or until the session is full. To make a reservation or get more information, call the Fort Benning Schools administration office at 545-2500 between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. Children are not permitted to attend the seminar.

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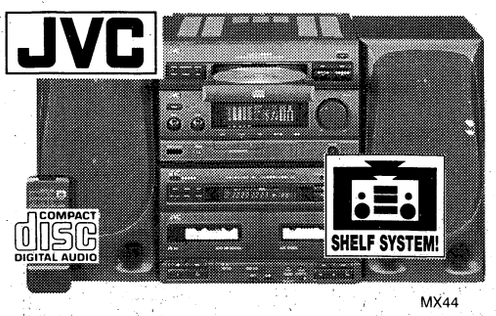

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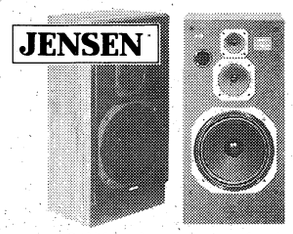

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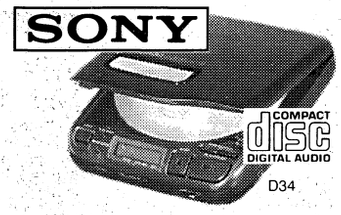

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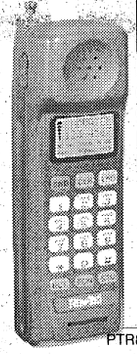

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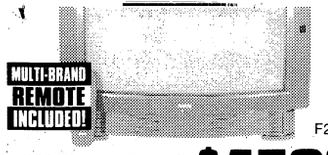

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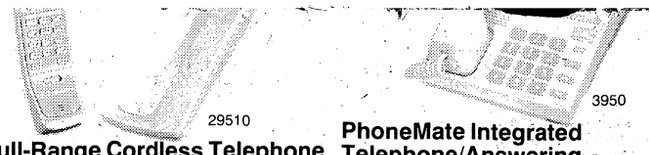

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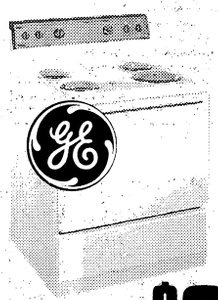

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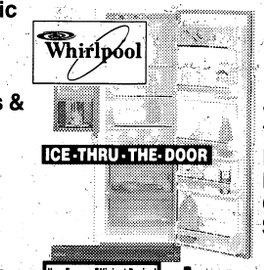

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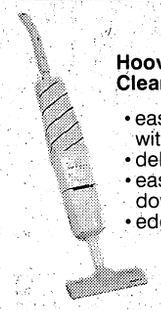

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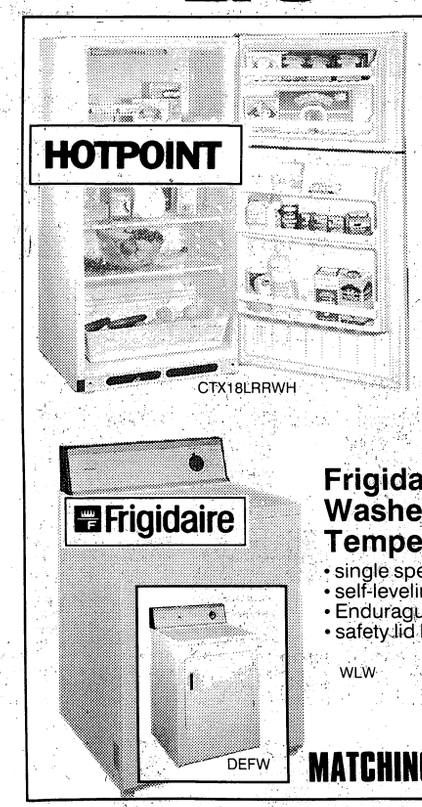

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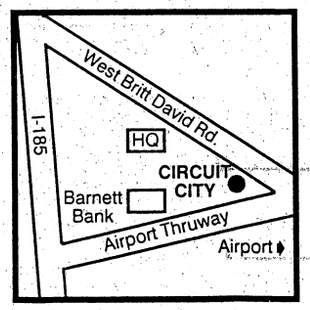

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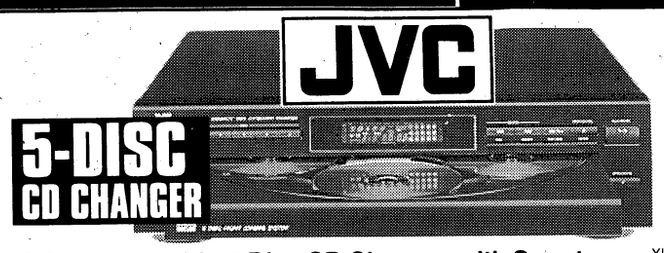

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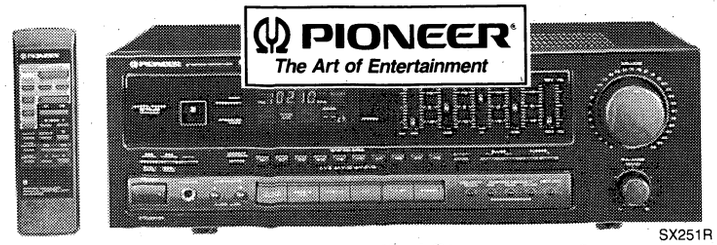

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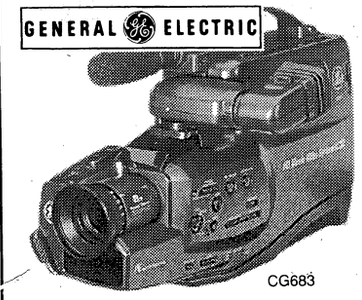

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Lawmakers discuss gay ban with troops

By Jerry Rutledge
Leader Editor

A randomly selected group of 150 Fort Benning soldiers gave Georgia's Sen. Paul Coverdell, 3rd District Rep. Mac Collins and Texas Sen. Phil Gramm their input on the issue of President Clinton lifting of the ban against gays in the military.

Their input?

Leave the ban as it is.

The soldiers — of both sexes and representing a variety of Fort Benning units — voiced strong opposition to any plan that would allow known gays to serve in the military.

Gramm, a Fort Benning-born Columbus native whose mother, Florence Gramm Chadwick, lives in Phenix City, said the President would do well to listen to the men and women of the military before going forward with his plan. A compromise between Clinton and Sen. Sam Nunn, D-Ga., chairman of the Armed Services Committee, has delayed any action on the policy until at least July 15.

"I hope the president will visit a military base, will listen to military personnel and in putting his policy together — whatever it is — be able to answer the questions that are being raised," Gramm said after the meeting with troops.

Gramm has made two similar visits to military posts in Texas. He was invited by Coverdell and Collins to visit Fort Benning on Saturday.

"I hope the president will visit a military base, will listen to military personnel and in putting his policy together — whatever it is — be able to answer the questions that are being raised," Sen. Phil Gramm said after the meeting with troops at Fort Benning.

Rep. Sanford Bishop Jr., D-Columbus, was originally scheduled to make Saturday's visit with Gramm, Coverdell and Collins but canceled because of a White House briefing with the president and 14 other congressional Democrats on economic policy.

Bishop, who represents the area that /includes south Columbus and Fort Benning, said in a telephone interview that he was "skeptical" about the president's "precipitous" plan to lift the ban. But he said he is willing to let the hearing process in Congress run its course while the White House and the Department of Defense give the issue more thought.

"I have serious reservations about the president's plan," Bishop said. "I agree with Sen. Nunn that this issue needs more study and forethought before the administration decides to allow gays into the military."

The congressmen arrived at York Field on post from Columbus Metropolitan Airport by helicopter at 9:32 a.m. and were escorted immediately to a classroom in a tightly-guarded Infantry Hall where the soldiers had been assembled. The media were given no access to the soldiers before, during or after the meeting.

In what Coverdell described as "a candid and open discussion" of the issue, the soldiers spent the better part of an hour asking questions about the various facets of military life they felt were "at risk" if the ban was lifted.

Coverdell, reading from a list he transcribed during the discussion, said the primary areas of concern expressed by the soldiers included ensuring safe blood supplies in combat, additional health costs that might be caused by allowing gays in the miliary, quotas, billeting and maintaining the buddy system in training, gay marriages and competition for married housing.

He said one soldier felt it was entirely a political issue that "had no role or resolution in the military." Another soldier said he could not follow an officer who was gay and had no choice if the ban were lifted but to leave the military.

GRAMM

COVERDELL

"We have had the first installment of this debate in the Senate," Gramm said, "and I have never heard more eloquence or passion on this subject on the Senate floor than I heard here today."

Gramm said one part of the gay-military debate usually left out of discussion is the status of anti-gay laws, as opposed to policy.

"We are not just talking about a policy of the commander-in-chief but we're talking about a statute," he said. "There is no possibility Congress is going to remove existing statutes that affect gays in the military." He said congressional opponents would try to amend or nullify any executive order by Clinton.

The congressmen said they do not expect any move to codify the ban before July 15.

"The president has made it very clear to me that he is going to lift the ban," Gramm said. "Now, the president has changed his mind on many things — the middle-class tax cut, he committed to them in the campaign; now he's against them — so maybe there is some flexibility, even on this commitment."

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Navy braces for report on Tailhook

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — As it braces for the release of the Pentagon inspector general's report on the Tailhook sex abuse scandal, the Navy and Marine Corps quietly have laid the groundwork for dealing with the report's complex legal fallout.

The report is expected to be so explosive in nature — and detailed in its findings of sexual misbehavior and other misconduct — that scores of officers are likely to be referred to courts-martial or recommended for a series of lesser disciplinary proceedings.

The report, by Pentagon Inspector General Derek J. Vander Schaaf, will deal with the Tailhook convention in Las Vegas in 1991, where several dozen women complained they were groped and fondled by Navy and Marine Corps aviators. The report, expected to be released by the end of this month, also is supposed to take up any attempts to cover up misconduct that might have taken place.

The charges could prove devastating to the highest ranks of the service if senior admirals are accused of failing to halt the tawdry activity that had been known to have taken place for years at the convention.

"It's going to be ugly, no doubt about it," said one senior officer whose own boss could be among those targeted.

The Navy and Marine Corps each have chosen a high-ranking officer to decide whether the cases against individuals named in the report should be sent through an administrative process convened by an individual commander — known as a "captain's mast."

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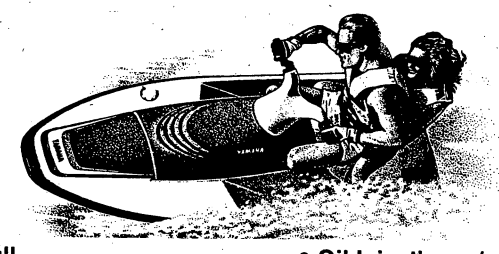

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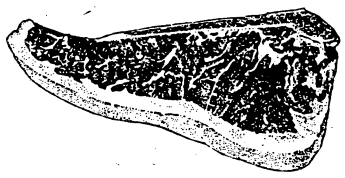

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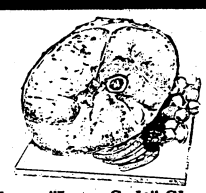

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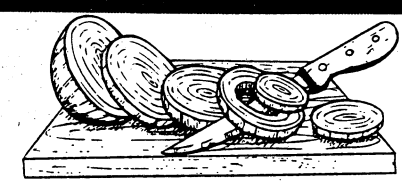

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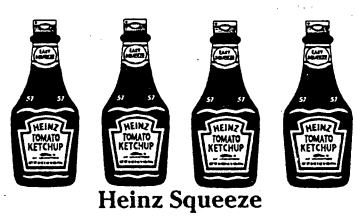

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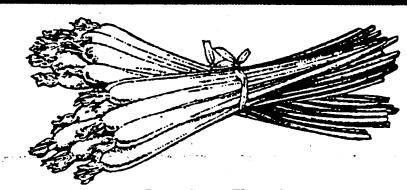

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VA chief wants to expand health care

Seeks care for every veterans

By Linda Bosley Dailey
Staff Writer

Secretary of Veterans Affairs Jesse Brown wants to make health care at VA hospitals available to all 27 million of the nation's veterans — not just to the 2.5 million who have service-related medical problems or are poor.

BROWN

But Brown can't say when, or how, or how much it will cost to make comprehensive medical care available to all veterans.

Brown, who was on his first official trip outside of Washington, D.C., since being sworn in Jan. 22, visited the Tuskegee VA Medical Center last Friday to speak at it 70th anniversary celebration.

"The department's efforts to initiate health care reform will and must be consistent with the President's vision of providing universal health care to all Americans," Brown said during a press conference before his speech at the ceremony. "It's a mandate from the people," he said.

The VA medical system must continue serving the 2.5 million veterans currently receiving care, which are those who have service-related medical problems or who are poor. At the same time, the VA should seek a way to give the 24.5 million other veterans an "opportunity to buy into the system," perhaps by allowing them to use Medicaid, Medicare, CHAMPUS or private insurance or other resources to pay for the care they receive at a VA facility, Brown said.

"So it is my job to come up with a plan that will allow us to open the system up and at the same time maintain some type of sanity in the process," he said.

But opening the VA system to non-veterans is an option Brown strongly opposes. "It makes no sense . . . to open up a system to non-veterans when that same system is denying access to veterans," he said.

Brown also opposes any cutbacks in the system while turning to the private sector to help provide care for veterans. The VA health care system must remain independent, Brown said.

He called the VA medical system a "national resource" and cited its roles in supplementing military medical care, in training a third of the nation's physicians and in medical research and development.

The drawdown of the military — which will include paring the number of beds in military hospitals — will make "the VA's role even more critical," Brown said.

During his speech at the VA hospital that was opened to treat black veterans in 1923 and then was integrated in the 1950s and 1960s, the secretary addressed a different topic: racism.

Brown likened American racism against blacks to the "devaluation of the human soul" that occurred in Nazi concentration camps in World War II.

The black soldiers who helped liberate the concentration camps, Brown said, "knew the meaning of fascism in their own lives" through their personal experience with Jim Crow laws and the Ku Klux Klan. "Each had his own story of devalued humanity," he said.

While America isn't perfect, it is a nation that holds perfection as its goal. It is a nation where it is possible to have a dream, and to have it come true, he said.

"Please," Brown implored, "no matter what else you do in life, dare to have a dream." Pursue it, he said, "and you, too, will one day stand amazed at what your dream can achieve."

Warning issued on pregnancies after Somalia

From wire reports

FORT DRUM, N.Y. — Army doctors are warning female soldiers returning from Somalia to avoid becoming pregnant for three months because of possible complications from anti-malaria medication they take.

All returning troops must continue to take weekly doses of the medicine Mefloquine for four weeks after leaving Somalia to fend off any remaining risk of malaria, transmitted through the bite of the female Anopheles mosquito.

Women should avoid pregnancy for eight weeks as a precaution until concentrations of Mefloquine in their bodies are lowered, said Dr. Steven D. Klamerus, a preventive medical officer at Fort Drum.

No link has been made between Mefloquine and pregnancy problems such as birth defects, but tests aren't complete, Maj. Thomas Walker, a Fort Drum spokesman, said Wednesday.

Klamerus also said soldiers who have used the drug will be prohibited from donating blood for three years.

COMMUNITY

Pacelli High group holding auction to help out school

The Home and School Organization of Pacelli High School will sponsor an auction Feb. 27 in the school auditorium at 7 p.m.

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Tax deductible donations of new items are welcomed.

For more information, call Jean Carden at 298-6842 or JoRhee Pezold at 568-7423.

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Deadline for submission is March 26. For more information, call Pat Grant at 685-2691.

RED CROSS CLASSES: The following Red Cross classes are scheduled: How to Measure Blood Pressure, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. March 3, $6.50; Baby-sitting for Youth, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. March 20, $15; Adult Beginning Swimming, beginning every Friday, $35.

For additional information and registration, call the Red Cross Office at 545-5194 or 545-5117.

MARTIAL ARTS CLASS: The Fort Benning Officers' Club will offer a martial arts class for youths on Saturdays and Sundays from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 2 to 4 p.m. Youths must be 7 years old or older to attend.

Youths 6 years old will require an interview.

New students are welcomed. Class size will be a minimum of six to a maximum of 20. The fee is $20 monthly.

For more information, call 687-0871.

BLOOD DRIVE: The American Red Cross will hold a blood drive today in Infantry Hall, Classroom 3, from 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

INFORMATION NEEDED: Attention former members of the 511th Parachute Infantry. The 511th Parachute Infantry Association is seeking the names and addresses of former members of the regiment who served with the unit any time during the period 1943 to 1958. Valuable information will be forwarded.

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Equal Opportunity Employer

HELP WANTED PART-TIME 218

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DOMESTIC HELPWANTED 219

MATURE, RESPONSIBLE caregiver needed to provide for 3mo. old in Phenix City/Smiths area home, M-F, 7:30-5:30. Must have exc. ref., non-smoker w/trans. For consideration, call 298-9236

SALES 226

COME GROW WITH US

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DRIVERS 227

DRIVERS NEEDED

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SKILLS & TRADES 228

IMMEDIATE OPENINGS:
For the following:

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INDUSTRIAL WORKERS
1 yr. verified exp. for Forklifters. Short & long term, flexible w/all shifts, must have phone, own transportation, steel toed shoes, good references, pass drug screen & police check.
For Application, Call Temporary Alternatives 327-7877. NO FEE/EOE
Members of BAD

CHILD CARE WANTED 229

Live-In Nanny needed for Childcare in my home. Room, board, salary. Call 687-9063 after 6pm

Ledger-Enquirer
Classified Ads
Call 322-4500

JOB WANTED 230

NOTICE

It is now a requirement of the State of Alabama that all persons wishing to care for unrelated children have a license. If you have questions concerning this regulation, please call the Russell County Department of Human Resources. (205)298-7882.

NOTICE

The Family Home Daycare Division of the Georgia Department of Human Resources advises that Family Home daycare for 1-6 children can only be registered, not licensed. For 7 or more children, the Family Home daycare status changes to Group Home daycare and licensing is required. If this is an area that is of interest to you when trying to determine daycare facilities for your child, you may call 1-404-894-5688 to inquire further about Georgia regulations.

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MORTGAGES 413

I BUY MORTGAGES
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LOANS, easy qualification. Guaranteed $5k if employed. 1-800-392-0519.

Index of Rental Abbreviations 502

Below you will find a listing of common rental abbreviations which you may find in our classified advertisements. We hope this will help your decision-making process.
bedroom - BR
bathroom - BA
dining room - DR
living room - LR
greatroom - GR
fireplace - FP
central heat/air-cent. h/a
washer/dryer - w/d
connections-w/d conn.
refrigerator - fridge
available - avail.
north - N.
south - S.
Columbus - Cols.
Phenix City- P.C.
acres - ac.
minutes - min.
apartment - apt.

UNFURNISHED APTS. GA 520

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UNFURNISHED HOUSES GA 526

EAST COLS 3BR 2BA, fenced backyard, $375 + dep. Edgewood schools. 563-4236

NORTH 2BR Refrigerator & stove, $325 + deposit & references. 324-1608

TRENTON CT - Battle Forest area. 3BR, 2BA, spacious living area. Huge, fenced backyard. Available immediately. $575.
HERITAGE HOMES 596-1339

1BR, LR, kitchen & bath, lg fenced yard. 5024 Kolb Ave. $150 mo. 324-3946

2BR, 1BA, greatroom w/fireplace, fenced back. Great location. $495 mo. Call 568-0481

6428 Fairmont Rd: 3BR, 1½BA, $450 + dep. Call 480-9397 (local)

UNFURNISHED HOUSES AL 527

2BR, cent heat/air, carpet, newly remodeled, fenced yard, $375 + dep. 298-6896

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- **EMERGENCY ROOM** 11-7
- **CATH LAB** PRN 8-4
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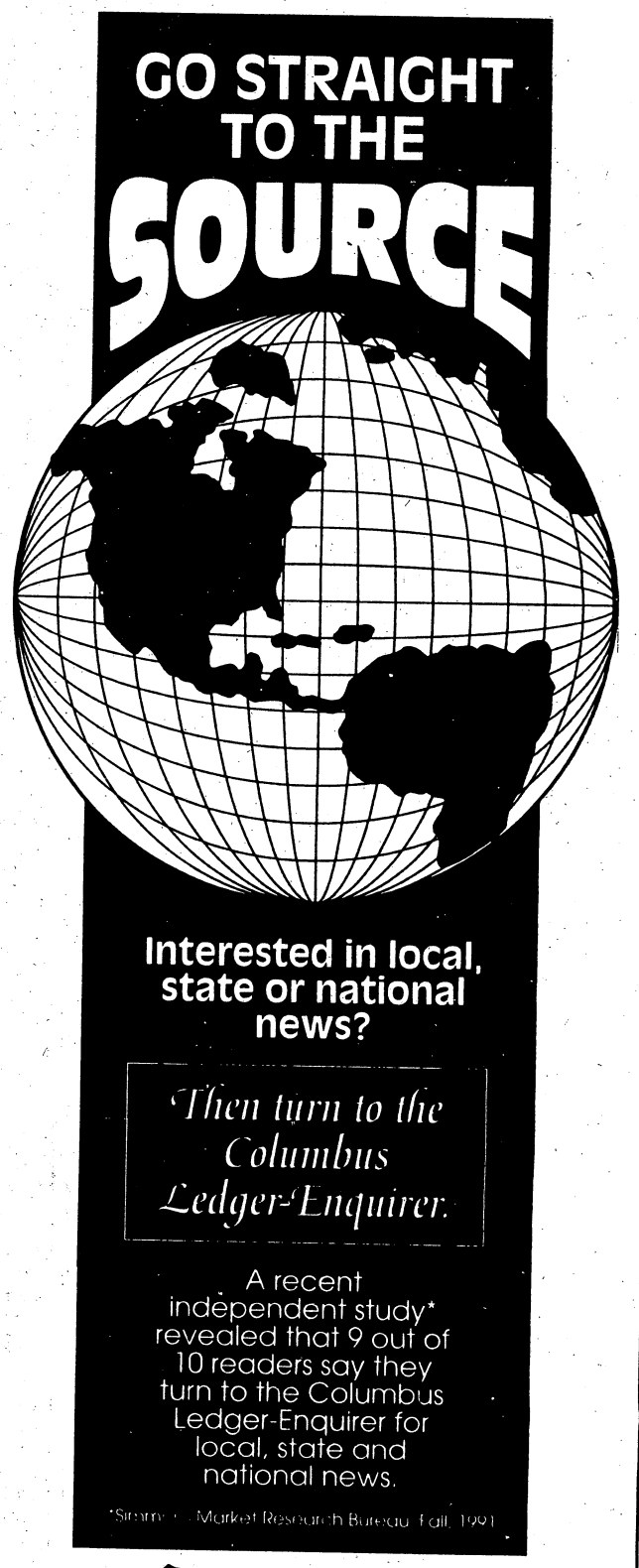

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Hidden Lakes Luxury Condo. 2200 sq.ft. 3BR, 3½BA, new modern kitchen. Must see to appreciate! Contact 568-1628 for appt. aft. 6pm or days, 323-2721 ext. 129.

HOMES FOR SALE AL 614

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HOMES FOR SALE GA 616

BEAVER RUN- Lake front Compare, save! 3350 sq. ft., 4BR/BA, new paint/roof Huge storage/work area. $172,000. 569-1574

By owner: Double Churches: 3BR, 2BA. lg greatroom, bookcases, fenced yard, 1850 sq. ft. Call 327-4213

◆◆BY OWNER◆◆
OPEN HOUSE, SUN. 3-5PM
All brick, 3BR, 2BA, heated 1800 sq. ft., newly painted exterior & some interior, energy efficient, privacy fence, large lot, designer ceilings, GR, parlor, Master BA w/garden tub & sep. shower, landscaped, 2 car carport, near Double Churches Elementary area, $97,900.
Call 327-7045 after 6pm
7369 Ceder Creek Loop

BY OWNER: Three 2BR houses & 1 duplex for sale. Anderson Rd., Cusseta, GA. $22,000-$29,500. Owner will seek financing. 563-8783

BY OWNER
3BR, 1BA, lg. fenced backyard, $49,900. 1721 Emerson Ave. Call **Jim, 596-8855.**

GOVERNMENT REPOS
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NO down payment

6527 LEMANS LANE		
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3927 TIFTON DR	already gone	
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JIM TALLEY
596-1339
Heritage Homes
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HUD REPOS THIS WEEK:

6447 Michael	3-2	48,500.
1705 17th	3-2	52,000.
2006 Wagner	3-1½	45,000.
2609 WhiteChapel	3-2	54,000.

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For complete program information, call the
REPO HOTLINE
24-hr recording
568-9741

HARRIS CO., 3BR, 2BA, 2 acres. Call 706-582-3552, leave message

Ledger-Enquirer Classified Ads Call 322-4500

HERITAGE PLACE- 3BR, 2BA, GR w/FP, office for in-home business, 2 car garage, outside storage building, $114,000. 563-7756

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Let me show you how we market your property, then you decide who you want to sell your home.
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3BR, 2BA, split floor plan, lg. greatroom, Cottonwood Plantation. $97,500/offer. 569-9734

LOTS FOR SALE 626

RIDGEWOOD: By owner, 5mins. from Pratt & Whitney, approx. 1ac., level lot, $17,500. 569-7853 anytime.

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ESCAPE!
10.8 ACRES, $9,900
Peace & quiet in Talbot Co. Pasture & woods, good road frontage. Financing. Call owner, 912-986-1454

MOBILE HOMES FOR SALE 710

12X64, excellent cond. 2BR, sun deck, only $4500 Call 298-0098

MOBILE HOMES FOR RENT 714

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689-4873

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ALEX Mobile Homes & Rental Trucks, utilities on. 687-5276, 689-0226, 9-6

ATTENTION RETIRED MOBILE HOME OWNERS
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800 RECREATIONAL VEHICLES

BOATS 810

17' Chris Craft 140 inboard/outboard, closed bow w/trailer, good cond., $4000/offer. Call 563-4437

19' Bayliner '85 open bow, 230HP/IO V8, am/fm, extras. $6995.323-3599 aft 5pm

CAMPERS & TRAILERS 820

Get ready for the 18th Annual Atlanta Camping & RV Show! Largest RV Sale in our 18 year history. Acres of 1993 model RV's on sale. Over 65 booths with campground and vacation information. Opens Thurs., Feb. 18, runs through Monday, Washington's Birthday, Feb. 22. Atlanta Exposition Center, I-285 at Jonesboro Rd., Exit #40. Show opens 11:00 am daily. Admission: $6.00 adult; 16 and under, $2.00; Senior Citizens, $4.00; under 5 free. **Information, call 404-255-9472.**

UTILITY TRAILERS 822

PCSing? Small covered trailer, 5x4x3 cbft, paid $750, will sell for $350/offer. Call 563-7646

MOTORCYCLES FOR SALE 828

Archie's Harley-Davidson New & used bikes, parts, & motor clothes. 324-4294

FZR 600 '89, 8000 mi., real sharp & fast, $3000/Firm. 660-1337 or 324-8240 beep#

Ninja 600 '90 new rear tire, helmet & lock included. $3000/offer. 682-2198

900 TRANSPORTATION

Index of Vehicle Abbreviations 911

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power steering - ps
power windows - pw
power brakes - pb
power door locks - pdl
automatic - auto
speed - sp
miles/mileage - mi
pickup truck - p/u
horsepower - hp
miles per gallon - mpg
air conditioner - air
convertible - conv.
door - dr
engine - eng.
excellent condition-exc cond
cassette - cass.
Chevrolet - Chevy
long bed - lb
short bed - sb
transmission - trans.
four wheel drive - 4wd
service records - svc. rec.
Volkswagen - VW
Continential - Cont.
Mercury - Merc.
original owner - orig. owner
high performance - hi-pro
conversion van - conv. van
aluminum - alum.
equipment - equip.
payments - pymts.
interior - int.
exterior - ext.
negotiable - neg.
cylinder - cyl.
extras - X-tras

TRUCKS 914

K-5 BLAZER
'88 Silverado 4x4. Fully loaded, pw, pdl, tilt, cruise, super nice. $10,995. **Call Steve Hardin, 322-8888, ext. 500.**

Bill Heard Oldsmobile

CHEVY '91, 1 ton Dooley, extend cab, loaded, $13,500. Call 322-0537

Dodge D-50 '85 4 spd, 4 cylinder, good condition. $1975. Call 298-5303.

FORD F-100 '59, custom cab, LWB, V-8, 292. Needs rebuilt & heads. Little rust. Best offer. 563-8489

'89 FORD BRONCO II
Auto., a/c, pw, pdl, $7995. **Call J.R., 322-8888, ext. 500.**

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GMC LONGBED '70, 350, runs great, $1200. Call 596-0523

Isuzu Trooper II '88, LS pkg., low mi., exc. cond., won't last. Jimmy only, 563-8206

S-10 Blazer '89 Tahoe Pack., 5 spd, 2WD. 38K miles. $8400/offer. 682-7871

'86 TOYOTA FORERUNNER
5sp, 4x4, clean, must sell. **Call J.R., 322-8888, ext. 500.**

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TRUCKS WANTED 920

WANTED! FORD F-100 '73 in good condition. Call Tracy, 298-8355

BUSES/VANS FOR SALE 922

ASTRO '90, tilt, cruise, pw, pl, a/c, exc. cond., lom mileage, $12,500; call 685-4317

DODGE Ram 250 Van '91 Fully loaded! Call 689-2676 after 5pm

DODGE VAN '76, good running condition, $800. Call 298-5011

AUTO SERVICE PARTS, ACC 926

B & M Super Charger for small block Chevrolet, extra accessories, $850 firm. 297-2737

LTD '66, 352 motor, 50K orig. mi., body has been damaged, $300. Call 298-2353 after 5:00 pm

AUTO SERVICE PARTS, ACC 926

DODGE OMNI '80, complete for parts or entire car. $150.563-5767

AUTOS FOR SALE 930

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If you have a job & drivers license, I have a plan for you!

ONE OWNER
'91 Cutlass Calais. 4dr, auto., a/c, ps, pb, $7495. **Call Steve Hardin, 322-8888, ext. 500.**

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CHEVY CAPRICE '78, Classic, exc. cond., 305 auto., $695. 323-6527

Chevy Impala '62, 2dr, hardtop, good cond., drive anywhere, $2900. 706-884-2118

CHEVY Spectrum '85, a/c, 4cyl, 4DR, am/fm casst., $2500; call 685-8678

CHEVY SPECTRUM '86
4 door, automatic, air. Asking $1375. Call 561-3312

Chrysler LeBaron '87, Conv., immaculate, only 30K mi. Jimmy only, 563-8206

CLASSIC '73 CHEVY NOVA, needs work. $700. Local, 480-0760.

Corvette '76 Stingray red, exc. cond., $8500/offer. 322-7066 ask for Robert

DO YOU HAVE CASH
and want to buy a dependable, low mileage car? I've got one- '80 Cutlass Cruiser, auto., a/c, pw, pdl, new motor, new trans., like new! $2495. **Call Paul Lucas, 322-8888, ext. 500.**

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Cutlass Supreme '81 rebuilt engine, new tires, exc cond, $1300/neg. 660-0409

ONE OWNER
'86 Cutlass Supreme. 4dr, loaded, low mi., rear wheel drive. **Call Steve Hardin, 322-8888, ext. 500.**

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Eagle Talon '91, one-of-a-kind, all wheel drive, super nice. Tony, 563-8206, dlr

DO YOU NEED A LOW PAYMENT and a good, dependable car? '92 Escort, 4dr, auto., a/c, 1 owner, ps, pb, am/fm stereo cass. **Call Paul Lucas, 322-8888, ext. 500.**

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WHOLESALE MOTORS

86 Safari Van GMC loaded, V-6 ..... $4995
89 Bonneville 4-Dr., Loaded $4995
85 Mark 7 Coupe, Sunroof, All the Buttons $3995
89 Ford F-150 Lariet Loaded ..... Special
85 Honda Accord 4 dr, LX, auto, loaded $3495
88 Silverado Long wheel base, loaded ..... Special
76 Mercedes 300 D 4-Door, Extra Clean $2895
82 Silverado Short wheel base, diesel $3495
88 Nissan Sentra 5 sp., air $2995
82 280 ZX T-top, red, 5 spd., loaded $3695
88 Ford Escort 2 dr., 5 sp., auto, air $2995

2907 Crawford Rd., PC, AL
298-5114

AUTOS FOR SALE 930

COUGAR LS '89, all power, am/fm cass., digital dash. 291-0671, 324-3263, Sharon.

FIREBIRD '89, loaded, t-tops, 1 owner, $5000; call 205-826-9700

Ford Fairmont Futura '83 6 cyl., **57K** mi., good tires, needs A/C, $2650. 649-2834

FORD LTD '79
New paint & tires, good cond., $1000. or best offer. Call 298-1685

Honda Accord EX '90 4 dr, leather, CD, sunroof, low miles. $13,500. Call Paul, 323-6788, Mon-Fri, 8-5

Honda Accord LX '91 2dr, auto, white, alloy wheels. $11,500. 568-6996/561-1304

Honda Accord Wagon LX '91, auto, champagne, 26K mi., $14,250/offer. 205-745-9049

Honda Civic Wagon '83 5spd, 142K mi., good cond., $1495. Call 563-7709

Hyundai Excel '92, 7200mi., am/fm cass., a/c, 4dr, take over pymts. 682-9307

HYUNDAI EXCEL '92 auto, air, 27K miles. $4795. Call 297-6329

'92 HYUNDAI Elantra, 5,000 mi., take over pymts or pay off. 480-0937 after 5pm

Maxima GXE '92, one-of-a-kind car, priced to sell. Steve, 563-8206, dlr

MUSTANG '83
V-6, good condition. $1000. Call 685-2112

MUSTANG '87, 4 cyl., ps, pb, a/c, cruise, runs good, $1950 neg. 685-0548

Nissan Stanza XE '92, fully loaded, save $1000's. Steve, 563-8206, dlr

NISSAN 200SX '86, air, 5spd, A/C, exc. mech. cond., runs & looks great, $3995. 323-2442 or 568-6907 Eric

ONE OWNER
'91 Olds 98 Regency Elite. Loaded, all the extras, see to believe. $15,995. **Call Hal Maloof, 322-8888, ext. 500.**

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Plymouth Satellite '73, Custom, new trans., brakes, battery. $150. 576-4489

Pontiac Grand Am '87 mint condition, $3800. See to appreciate. Call 563-7375

AUTOS FOR SALE 930

TOYOTA MR2 '88, 51K mi, 5spd, a/c, t-tops, exc cond, $8300. 545-2358

TOYOTA TERCEL '80, looks & runs good, $800. Call after 4pm, 291-0748.

TRANS AM '83, black & gold, exc. cond. $2300. Call 912-887-3632 or 887-2116.

ONE OWNER WAGON
'91 Olds Custom Cruiser S/W. 12K mi., pw, pdl, tilt, cruise, am/fm cass., $16,995. **Call Hal Maloof, 322-8888, ext. 500.**

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98 Olds '69 AC, am/fm stereo, pw, pb, ps, new tires, good cond., $800. 327-8828

SPORTS CARS FOR SALE 932

Mustang '90, conv., loaded, **ALL POWER,** $8900/best offer. 298-1702 or 324-7705

TRANS AM '79 new paint & interior. Runs great. To much to mention. 561-5337

1980 MGB CONVERTIBLE Newly rebuilt eng., $2500. 660-1337 or 324-8240 beep#

CLASSIC & ANTIQUE AUTOS 934

CORVAIR '66
Mint cond., $2800; 569-6763

FORD TORINO '69,
Runs great. $1900. 324-5144.

2DR SEDAN, black cherry, 1950 Ford, Mild custom, flathead, V8, engine loaded, show car, $5400; 2dr Sedan, black, 1950 org. Flathead V8, OD trans., $3800. Call 327-9883 weekdays aft 6, Sat. & Sun. anytime. Serious inquires only.

IMPORTED AUTOS 936

BMW 325 '90, needs owner, priced right, ready to sell. Tony, 563-8206, dlr

VOLVO GL '85 exc. cond., loaded!, Average miles, $4400. Call 568-1063

AUTOS WANTED 940

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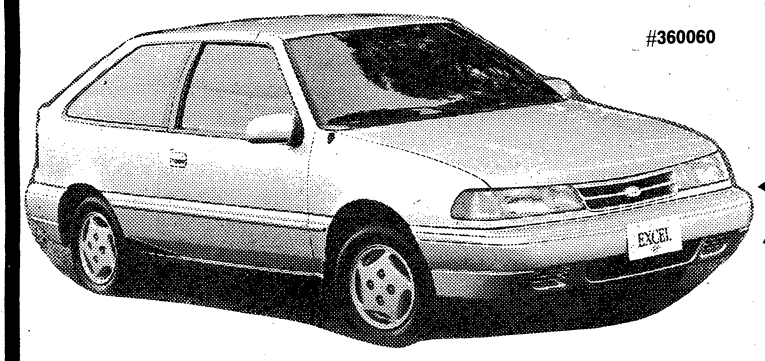

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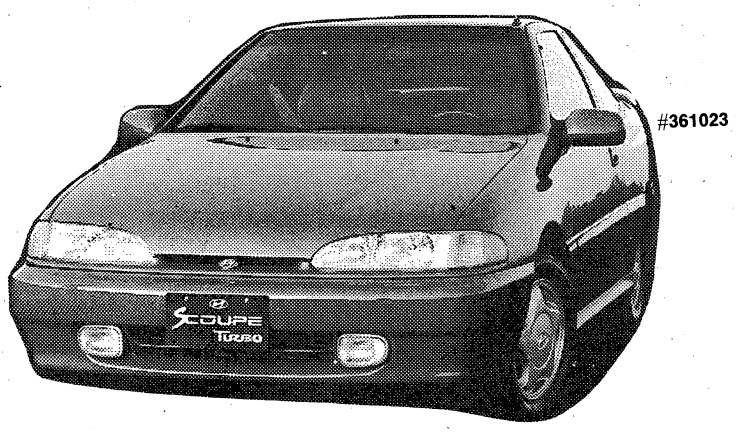

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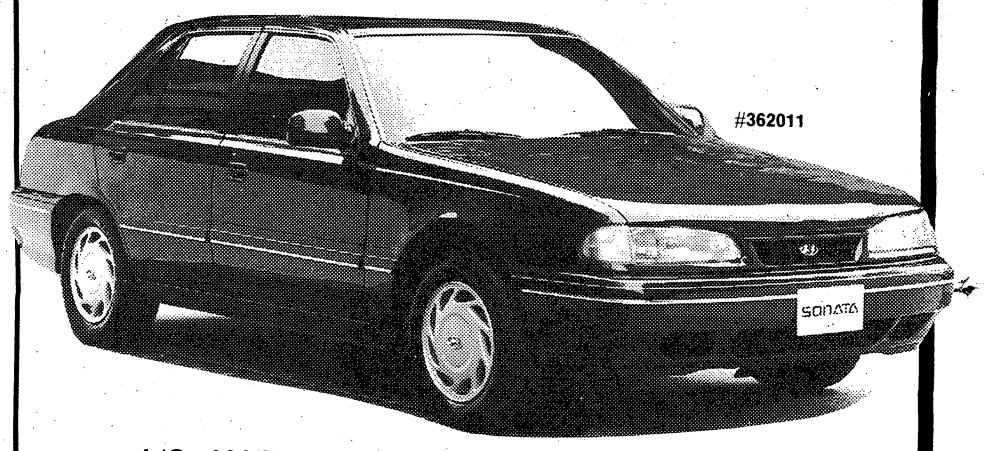

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Las Vegas battling competition with ritzy mall, family activities

By David Johnston
Knight-Ridder Newspapers

More than half of all Americans have never set foot in a casino, according to Harrah's. Las Vegas hopes that the spread of gambling will create millions of new gamblers and whet appetites for the Vegas experience.

LAS VEGAS — The hottest new attraction here in Mammonopolis is a mall.

No, not moll.

Mall.

Las Vegas has always bidden welcome to sleek young women eager to soothe the losing gambler for a stiff price.

The molls still hang out here, albeit more discreetly since Sheriff John Moran rounded up the streetwalkers a few years ago, drove them miles into the desert for booking and then let them go, free to walk back to town in their high heels.

Today the big casinos, whose shares trade on the New York Stock Exchange, are cultivating more legitimate consumer tastes. Unlike Atlantic City, Las Vegas knows that prosperity requires more than gambling.

The new mall, called the Forum Shops at Caesars Palace, illustrates how the gambling executives out West are striving to adjust to an America in which casinos are everywhere: Atlantic City and Biloxi; Dubuque and Colorado; New England and New Orleans.

More than half of all Americans have never set foot in a casino, according to Harrah's. Las Vegas hopes that the spread of gambling will create millions of new gamblers and whet appetites for the Vegas experience, especially the forest of lights that is the gamblers' tree of life.

The big casino companies are developing golf courses, water slides, theme parks, an oceanarium where dolphins frolic in the desert — and world-class shopping, such as the Forum Shops.

Entering this mall is like stepping into a fantasy vision of Florence, Italy, on a perfect summer eve that never ends.

The floor is man-made stone, the ceiling curved like the heavens — an azure sky with delicate tufts of clouds from a setting sun.

The stores, 74 of them, are set behind storefronts meant to recall a romantic, winding Italian street. Soon you will come upon the Festival Fountain, a giant marble creation with Bacchus, Apollo, Venus and Plutus, the gods of wine, music, love and riches.

Each hour, these statues come to life. Hundreds of people gather, including scores of children, to listen to an obviously tipsy Bacchus telling a laser-enhanced tale of naming the constellations in the heavens.

The show over, the boutiques and restaurants beckon those with American Express platinum cards. There are Gucci, Victoria's Secret, Guess, Louis Vuitton and Gianni Versace, designer of those overly adorned black pants that prove it is possible to be both too thin and too rich.

The hungry can dine at Lombardi's sidewalk cafe, at the newest Spago of Wolfgang Puck, Hollywood celebrity chef, or at the Las Vegas version of Palm, also a movie-industry eatery, or eight other places.

There are three jewelers and four art galleries. There are upscale children's clothing, stores where shoes start at $200 and Warnerius Fraternius Studius Storius or Warner Brothers Studio Store, featuring giant stuffed Bugs Bunnys in your choice of velvet colors.

For years, Caesars Palace was the undisputed destination of choice for the highest rollers. Players willing to sign seven-figure markers found Caesars the most hospitable of resorts. So long as they paid up, no one asked how they made their fortune. You could put down that you owned a retail fabric store in Colombia, though it might be not much wider than a pair of outstretched arms, and Caesars would be glad to extend millions in credit if it believed you could pay.

The Forum seems designed for much the same people, though it is drawing phenomenal crowds. Simon Management Associates said it expected more than 17 million people to have passed through the Forum in its first year. To get an idea of what a huge figure that is, Atlantic City counts 30 million visitors annually, Disney World 24 million and Las Vegas 21 million. In essence, almost every visitor to Las Vegas will pass through the Forum Shops.

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Those who have not been to Vegas in three years might be surprised to find that the green-felt jungle is flourishing as never before, its offerings more lush than anything Bugsy Siegel, Benny Binion or Moe Dalitz ever imagined.

The first of the new pleasure palaces was Steve Wynn's Mirage, which opened three years ago next door to Caesars. It has neither neons nor nudes but does feature a volcano, indoor jungle, white *Siberian tigers* and dolphins.

Now Wynn is busy building Treasure Island, a giant peach casino hotel with 3,000 rooms. On the hour out front in Buccaneer Bay, complete with wave machines, pirates and sailors of old will clash in battle, just as in Robert Louis Stevenson's novel. The mock confrontations should draw legions of gamboling parents and their children as Las Vegas tries to sell itself as a family resort.

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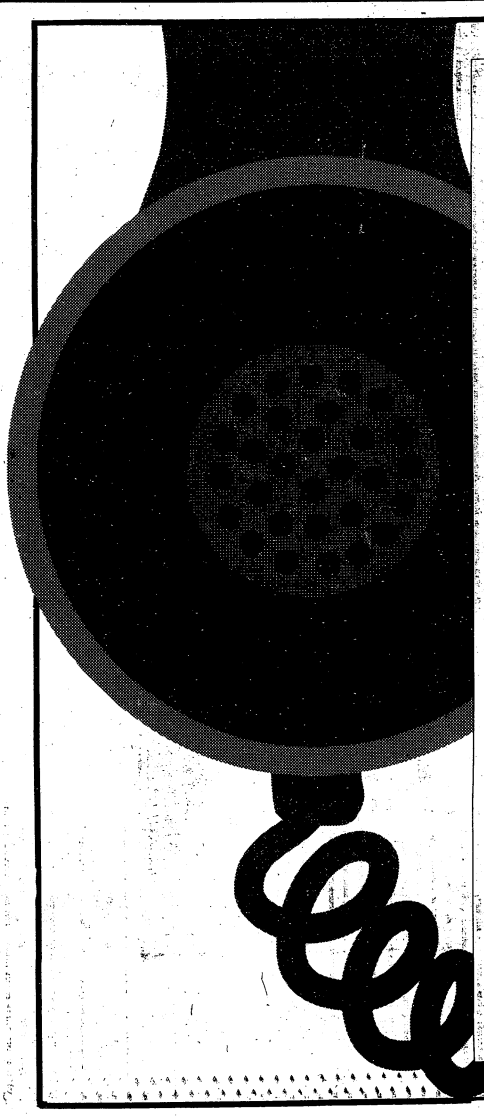

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COMMENTARY

Allies learned much in early battles

The various battles in and around Kasserine Pass in Tunisia in February 1943 are generally considered by many U.S. military historians to have constituted the "first battle" of World War II for the U.S. forces in the Atlantic area and have been treated accordingly in many histories.

Al Garland

The Axis forces had pursued two objectives in their offensive: they wanted to reduce Allied capabilities for continuing their attack into Tunisia by destroying both men and materiel, and to cause the British First Army in the north to withdraw by deeply penetrating its southern flank.

The Allied defenders had frustrated the second of these intentions, and the Allied forces eventually returned to the very ground from which they had been driven, with their capabilities for continuing their attacks not significantly impaired. But the Axis forces, despite suffering their own rather large numbers of personnel and materiel losses, had inflicted substantial losses in men and materiel on the British, U.S. and French defenders. One historian suggests that the German losses (the Italian losses are not known) amounted to about 1,000 men (200 killed, almost 550 wounded, 250 missing) plus 14 guns, 61 motor vehicles, six half-tracks, and 20 tanks. The Germans reported capturing 4,000 prisoners, 62 tanks and half-tracks, 161 motor vehicles, and 36 guns. The U.S. II Corps took 73 Germans and 535 Italians as prisoners.

Some 30,000 U.S. troops were engaged under II Crops in the various battles. Of these, some 300 were killed, almost 3,000 were wounded, and nearly 3,000 were missing. The U.S. 34th Division, operating under the French XIX Corps at Sbiba, had approximately 50 men killed, 200 wounded, and 250 missing. II Corps alone lost 183 tanks, 104 half-tracks, 208 artillery pieces, and 512 trucks and jeeps, plus large amounts of supplies.

Most heavily hit on the Allied side was the U.S. 1st Armored Division; its 1st Armored Regiment's losses were particularly heavy, with its 2nd and 3rd Battalions being almost destroyed.

As it turned out, the Axis forces had achieved a tactical success rather than a major victory influencing the strategy of the Allied campaign. Why had they not gained more? Initially, the Germans had been able to bring much stronger forces to bear on the U.S. defenders because the latter's forces had been badly overextended along too long a line and their forces dispersed in combat groups of minor size. Too, the Germans were not only more better equipped and more numerous, they proved wilier and more skillful than their opponents. As the U.S. soldiers became more experienced as the fighting raged on, later German attacks were not as successful.

To a large extent, Rommel's failure may be attributed to an aggregate of Axis mistakes. The most consequential was the lack of unity of command and a certain amount of indecisiveness on the part of the German commanders on the ground at critical points in the operation. Overall, by attacking at too many places at the same time, Rommel was too weak to achieve a breakthrough in any one sector.

U.S. troops learned a number of important lessons from these battles about the enemy's combat methods. They also noted certain deficiencies in their own weapons. For example, they found that the M3 (Stuart) light tanks were suited only for reconnaissance purposes. Their half-tracks, which they called "Purple Heart boxes," turned out to be extremely vulnerable to enemy fire. Their 37mm antitank guns with standard ammunition proved to be effective only against scout cars and light vehicles except at very close ranges. They felt they also needed longer-range guns with better telescopic sights for their tanks.

Finally, Allied air-ground coordination was below expectations, and the Axis air forces had been able to dominate the skies over the battle areas. Air reconnaissance had given too little help to the forward ground elements while bombing missions were executed too slowly to influence the most current battle situations. Finally, there was far too little tactical air support.

Although they had made many mistakes during the various battles in and around Kasserine Pass, the U.S. soldiers and their leaders in North Africa had also learned a lot. They soon pulled themselves together, weeded out the incompetents at all levels, dissected the lessons they had learned, and prepared to resume the offensive to drive the Axis forces from the Mediterranean's southern shores. They proved particularly effective when the II Corps, under Maj. Gen. Omar Bradley (Gen. Patton was sent back to his headquarters in Morocco to plan for the invasion of Sicily, during which he would lead the U.S. forces), was moved to the north of the Allied line for the final drive on Bizerte and Tunis. Several of the units in this final drive, notably the 1st Infantry Division, would play a vital role in the conquest of Sicily.

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The attacks were overwhelmingly successful as the combined Australian and American force lost only three fighters and one bomber, while sinking 22 ships in the convoy, including 10 destroyers and inflicting 3,500 casualties and putting 102 out of 150 enemy escort fighters out of action.

The disastrous battle forced the Japanese high command to seriously re-evaluate its prospects for the island.

Here, according to research by the Military History Division at Fort Benning, were the top news items 50 years ago this week:

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On the Eastern Front, the Soviets captured the city of Demyansk as part of an offensive launched by Marshal Semyon K. Timoshenko against the German 16th Army north of Moscow. Additionally, Russian forces occupied Rzhev, Lgov, Olenino, Chertolino, Sevsk and Sudzka. Despite these and other Soviet gains, German Fiedl Marshal Erich von Manstein began the next phase of his own offensive, dispatching units from the Fourth Panzer Army and the SS Panzer Corps with Kharkov as the objective.

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In Tunisia, North Africa, the British repelled a German attack as American forces advanced, regaining Sbeitla before moving on to Feriana.

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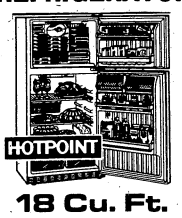

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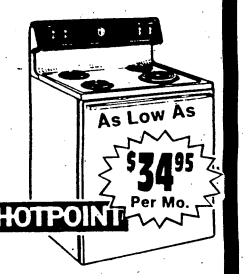

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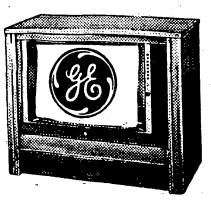
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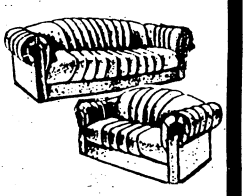
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ISSUES

Accidents, not combat, are the big killer

From wire reports

SANTA ANA, Calif. — Under a hazy blue winter sky, Army Pvt. David Conner was laid to rest Monday, his coffin draped with an American flag, as friends spoke of his ultimate sacrifice to his country while serving in Somalia.

The funeral for the Huntington Beach 19-year-old had all the tone and trappings of one for a soldier who died in combat. But Conner, crushed to death two weeks ago when his Army truck hit a hole and overturned, was a casualty of the Pentagon's most bloody war: fatal accidents.

"It was just an accident. It could have happened anywhere," said Conner's mother, Sheila. "We have potholes here. There really wasn't any way to avoid it."

While even the Pentagon's staunchest critics agree with Sheila Conner that fatal accidents are unavoidable, there is concern that nearly 1,000 soldiers die in mishaps each year.

"There are just too many dying, too many," said Joseph Connors, president of the Florida-based Concerned Americans for Military Improvement, which monitors death rates in the U.S. armed forces.

Since 1988, a total of 170 Americans have died in combat. During the same period, the military lost 4,666 soldiers to mishaps ranging from traffic accidents to helicopter crashes to drownings at sea.

Facing the possibility of fighting and dying in combat is part of the job for the 1.8 million men and women serving on active duty in the U.S. military.

But since 1988, a total of 170 Americans have died in combat. During the same period, the military lost 4,666 soldiers to mishaps ranging from traffic accidents to helicopter crashes to drownings at sea. The military's average accidental-death rate the past five years of 51.8 deaths per 100,000 people is 31.8 percent higher than the national average of 39.3 per 100,000.

Even during Operation Desert Shield and Desert Storm, the majority of fatalities did not occur in combat. The Pentagon reported that 121 Americans died in combat, while 184 died in what the Pentagon calls "nonhostile" incidents.

The Pentagon says it works hard to keep the military safe, and points to the steady decline in annual deaths. Last year, 703 soldiers died in accidents, compared to 1,104 in 1988. They also point out that the fatal-accident rates include deaths while off duty.

"A soldier is a soldier 24 hours a day," said Lt. Col. Doug Hart, a Defense Department spokesman in Washington. "I think the military has a pretty good record on pushing safety. The trend has been toward fewer accident and fewer deaths. But any loss is too great."

The Pentagon points to manuals for operating everything from F/A-18 Hornet jets to Beretta 9mm pistols that are to be scrupulously followed. When an accident trend is spotted, such as a spate of Marine helicopter accidents in 1989, a "stand-down" is ordered in which all operations are halted for mandatory safety checks.

Rep. Robert Dornan, Calif., a member of the House Armed Services Committee, said he investigated the issue of accidental deaths in the late 1980s after a young constituent serving in the Marines was crushed to death by a bulldozer at Camp Pendleton.

"I found out that 13,000 men and women died in combat training alone during the Cold War," Dornan said. "Not sergeants getting in automobile accidents on the base, not a general having a heart attack on the base golf course. Soldiers dying to train to defend their country."

Dornan said that while the Pentagon has at times been reticent to discuss the issue with him, he doesn't count himself among those who feel the death toll is unnecessarily high.

"It's the price of peace," he said. "The military has gotten better year after year, but good men and women are still dying in service to their country."

Deserter wants conviction overturned

From wire reports

FALLS CHURCH, Va. — A military appeals court was asked Tuesday to overturn the desertion conviction of an Army Reserve doctor who refused to serve in the Persian Gulf War.

Dr. Yolanda Huet-Vaughn of Overland Park, Kan., served eight months in prison after she was court-martialed and found guilty in 1991 of desertion for leaving her medical unit when it was called to active duty.

In a hearing before the Army Court of Military Review, Huet-Vaughn's lawyer argued that the trial judge had erred in excluding evidence that would have helped to explain her actions.

Huet-Vaughn believed she acted according to international law and had an obligation to "alert the American public to what she saw as impending war crimes," said attorney Louis P. Font of Boston.

Font said Huet-Vaughn was not permitted to fully testify about her intent and motives. Several potential defense witnesses were not allowed to testify about her anti-war views and the lawfulness of the Gulf War.

Hillary Richard of the National Emergency Civil Liberties Committee in New York arguing on behalf of Huet-Vaughn, said it was a "dangerous, unlawful, unconstitutional precedent" to disallow such vital evidence.

An Army lawyer, Maj. Donna Barlett, said Huet-Vaughn's motives were amply aired at the court martial and that the disallowed testimony was "irrelevant" because much of it focused on the legality of the war.

Huet-Vaughn's "motives, however noble, did not provide a defense for desertion," Barlett said.

If Huet-Vaughn's case is overturned then "any soldier . . . could say in any conflict, because war crimes might occur, 'I'm not allowed to go,'" said Barlett. "That's not a defense."

A three-judge panel of military officers took the case under consideration after oral arguments. There is no deadline for a decision.

Huet-Vaughn was sentenced to 30 months, but the sentence later was cut in half. The Army granted her clemency and released her from a military prison in April 1992.

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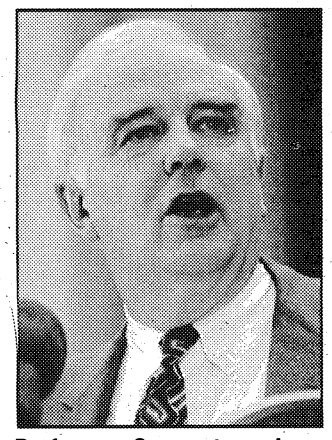

Defense Secretary Les Aspin may have to work from home until he is fully recovered.

Les Aspin having heart problems

From wire reports

WASHINGTON — Defense Secretary Les Aspin may be forced to reduce his schedule and work from home for a time, but his physicians predict a "full recovery" from a renewed bout with his heart problem, a spokesman said Wednesday.

"I would hope somebody of Aspin's age would make some adjustment," aide Vernon Guidry said of the 54-year-old Cabinet secretary.

White House officials were not concerned about Aspin's condition despite the pressing demands of his job, including plans to air drop food and medicine in Bosnia, Communications Director George Stephanopoulos said. The defense secretary met Wednesday with his staff and Gen. Colin Powell, the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, he said.

The spokesman said Aspin has a "Type A, workaholic" personality that already has him eager to leave Georgetown University Hospital, where he was hospitalized Sunday night for shortness of breath.

Clinton may have to fight Demos on defense cuts

From wire reports

WASHINGTON — President Clinton thinks the nation can get along with an even smaller military, but selling that notion to his fellow Democrats in Congress may not be easy.

Hampering his sales campaign is a dearth of top Pentagon officials who could be called upon to push his budget-cutting proposals. Clinton also must assuage congressional fears that cuts of $127 billion over five years are simply too deep, and he must overcome the age-old problem of lawmakers trying to protect their home-state economies.

In a private Pentagon breakfast meeting with Defense Secretary Les Aspin last week, two influential lawmakers expressed "deep reservations" about the planned cuts, said a participant in the session, speaking on condition of anonymity. The two, Sen. Sam Nunn, D-Ga., and Rep. John Murtha, D-Pa., are among the lawmakers Clinton will need to shepherd his defense budget through Congress.

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Clinton has not said yet exactly what he would cut, so the questions from Nunn and Murtha centered on that question and how the Defense Department would continue to pay for its people, especially in light of Clinton's proposal to cut $36 billion in fiscal 1997 and $39 billion in fiscal 1998.

Clinton's cuts are far higher than the $80 billion to $85 billion Nunn advocated last March for the five-year period. Even Aspin, as chairman of the House Armed Services Committee, backed a smaller cut of $91 billion over five years. President Bush proposed $50 billion in reductions.

"I've got to wait and see how the package is put together and how the cuts are made," said Nunn, who as chairman of the Senate Armed Services Committee is Congress' leading voice on defense policy.

Ironically, Democrats have complained in recent years that presidents have proposed too much money for defense. Now, with a Democrat in the White House, there have been relatively few such complaints, although among the expected dissenters is Aspin's liberal successor as chairman of the House Armed Services Committee, Rep. Ron Dellums, D-Calif.

Dellums is working on an alternative Congressional Black Caucus budget that is likely to back far deeper defense reductions.

With Republicans unlikely to lend much support, Clinton will need Democratic votes to win his program — and each lawmaker has concerns of his or her own.

Consider Sen. Charles Robb, D-Va.

Some $18 billion in defense cuts would come from a four-year wage freeze on civilian and military personnel, a tough pill for Robb and his large military constituency to swallow.

While the White House still is weighing specific reductions, speculation for some of the cuts centers on the three aircraft carriers under construction: the USS John C. Stennis to be commissioned in 1996, the USS United States in 1998 and a third carrier that is expected to cost $4.2 billion.

All three are being built at Newport News, Va. Robb, a new member of the Senate Armed Services Committee who is up for re-election in 1994, would be expected to fight to save the carriers.

Military numbers dwindling

From wire reports

WASHINGTON — The number of uniformed people in the U.S. armed forces fell last year below 1.78 million as the military continued its post-Cold War transition.

The Pentagon announced recently that 1,775,381 men and women of the Army, Navy, Air Force and Marine Corps were in uniform at the end of 1992. That is an 8.7 percent decline from the year-end 1991 total.

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PROFILE

Women, infants, children have a friend

Meares runs the nutrition program on Fort Benning

By Linda Bosley Dailey
Staff Writer

It's Nancy Meares' job to help. And she likes her job because she likes to help.

But then, being able to help people was the very reason she chose a career in nursing.

Meares, a public health nurse, manages the Women, Infants and Children program at Fort Benning, a federal program that helps supplement the diets of women, infants and children.

But Meares is quick to note that the WIC program is not a welfare program. It's a medical and nutritional program to help people avoid health problems because of poor nutrition, she said.

"We're part of a health care system," she said. "We're trying to keep people healthy. We're trying to keep problems from happening."

A program of the U.S. Department of Agriculture, WIC provides clients with vouchers that they can redeem at grocery stores for certain highly nutritious foods. The USDA parcels out funding to the states. In Georgia, the state health department oversees the program and operates it through the county health departments, Meares said.

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The Fort Benning WIC office is administered by the Columbus Health Department and operates on post as part of the preventative medicine department of Martin Army Community Hospital.

Although clients do have to be below a certain income level, they don't qualify for the program — no matter what their income — unless their medical reports indicate that they are at risk for health or nutritional problems, Meares said.

Meares finds helping mothers and children achieve and maintain good health rewarding. Although she works now with clients rather than patients, her knowledge of nursing comes in handy in reading clients' referral reports from the post's health clinics.

By Joe Maher/The Benning Leader

Nancy Meares says she had wanted to be a nurse ever since she was in second grade. Today she manages the Women, Infants and Children program on post.

"It's rewarding whenever you do find a problem and you're able to refer and you're able to help that child. I can still utilize my nursing experience," she said.

Meares said she had wanted to be a nurse ever since she was in second grade. "Nursing's a rewarding experience," Meares said, adding that what she finds rewarding is "just basically being able to help people . . . just being able to care."

And others in Meares' family have chosen similar career paths. Her mother and two sisters all are nurses. Meares, in fact, went through college with her mother, June Saint, and the two received their bachelor's degrees in nursing together from Troy State University.

For about five years, Meares worked in the high-risk nursery at the Medical Center. Then, she joined the WIC program as she began her own family and sought a job that would allow her to better balance career and family.

Meares and her husband, Ron, are the parents of a daughter, 7, and two sons, 4 and 2.

In her free time, she enjoys shopping and participating in activities at her church. But she focuses on spending time with her children. "My kids are first. They have to come first. My Lord's going to come first, but then as far as earthly things . . .," she said, family is her top priority.

Meares, now a Phenix City resident, claims Columbus as her hometown. But it's not just because she works at Fort Benning that Army posts are familiar turf. She's a "military brat," as she laughingly calls herself. Her father, Jessie Saint, retired from the Army when she was 13, and the family settled in the Columbus area. Her parents now live in Pine Mountain.

WIC serves about 2,000 people a month, 200 of whom are new clients, Meares said. When she started with WIC out on post six years ago, the clinic served about 1,200 people a month.

But sometimes, her time at home is spent on work she has brought home with her from the WIC office in Building 2613. There is, she said, a lot of administrative tasks and paperwork to do in her job.

But there's a lot of people to see, too. Meares is one of three people in the office — she, another public health nurse and a nutritionist — who meet with the clients to review their medical reports, study their diets and educate them about healthy lifestyles.

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The WIC program has been in operation at Fort Benning for a dozen years. In that time it has moved twice — from a building on Wold Avenue to a small office in Soldiers' Plaza to its current location on the first floor of Building 2613 in Soldiers' Plaza. It has been there only since November, Meares said.

On some days, as many as 300 people a day visit the WIC office to pick up their vouchers — which they redeem at grocery stores for certain nutritional foods.

On other days, when clients have to have their eligibility certified — or recertified, as is required every six months after joining the program — as many as 70 people are scheduled for appointments to have their records reviewed and undergo another health screening.

"It's never slow," said Meares.

Meares said she thinks WIC contributes significantly toward preventing illness. She would like to see the program expand, and to increase the population it targets. Pregnant women, breast-feeding moms, infants, children up to age 5 and teen-aged mothers, whether or not they are breast-feeding their babies, are eligible for the program.

Currently, WIC staffers visit the maternity ward at Martin Army three times each week to find women and babies who are eligible for WIC food supplements and certify them for the program.

But in the future, Meares would like the program to make a greater outreach to pregnant women, so they can begin the program before their babies are born.

"I think it's probably a realistic goal — probably a long, long term goal, but I think it can be done eventually," she said.

"I know they know that for every dollar they spend that they're saving dollars by not having a baby at high risk or not having a prenatal (a pregnant woman) who's real sick . . .," Meares said.

Nancy Meares

Age: 31.

Job: Public health nurse, Women, Infants and Children program at Fort Benning.

Education: Associate's degree, Columbus College, 1982; bachelor's degree in nursing, Troy State University, 1987.

Family: Husband, Ron; a daughter, 7, and two sons, 4 and 2.

Hobbies: Participating in church activities, shopping and spending time with her family.

On what she finds rewarding in nursing: "... Being able to help people . . . just being able to care."

On using her nursing skills at WIC: "It's rewarding whenever you do find a problem and you're able to help that child."

COVER STORY

Mortarmen pack a mean punch

By Clint Claybrook
Staff Writer

The 4.2-inch mortar, in the Army's inventory in its present form since about 1924, was made semi-famous by a book titled "The Four Deuces."

The old "four deuce" mortar, which has been an Army mainstay since World War I days, is being introduced to new soldiers as the 107-millimeter mortar.

The 4.2-inch mortar, in the Army's inventory in its present form since about 1924, was made semi-famous by a book titled "The Four Deuces." It was written by a soldier who was on the firing end of that weapon system during his days in the Korean War. Even so, today's One Station Unit Training soldiers are learning about the "107-millimeter mortar" — the same old "four deuce."

That training is just part of the future mortarman's schooling. He also gets exposure to the 81-millimeter and the 60-millimeter mortars in 80 hours of training; would-be mortarmen must qualify on the 81-millimeter.

The "four deuce" weighs 682 pounds and fires a high-explosive round that weighs 27 pounds to a maximum range of 6,840 meters; white phosphorus or "willie peter" rounds are good up to 5,650 meters, and illumination rounds — flares — have a maximum distance of 5,490 meters.

A mortar platoon is made up of two sections, each of which has two squads. Each squad includes a squad leader, a gunner, an assistant gunner and a driver for the M-113 personnel carrier that is used to haul the "four deuce" around.

The 29th Infantry Regiment, a part of the Infantry School, furnishes the trainers for mortars, with drill sergeants doing supplemental training at night, said Al Blanchard, a post spokesman.

Photos by Joe Maher

Fledgling soldiers check out a 107-millimeter mortar on Malone Range 24.

Pvt. Rick Mickhail, left, and Pvt. Jesus Rivera of Echo Co., 3rd Battalion, 32nd Infantry Regiment set up a 107-millimeter mortar, formerly known as 'four deuce,' on Malone Range 24 as part of their One Station Unit Training at Fort Benning.

UNIT NEWS

'Good work' got engineers ticket to Somalia

By Clint Claybrook
Staff Writer

"For good or worse, when you do things well, you're given more things to do," said Lt. Col. Spike Rupert, the 36th Engineer Group's rear-detachment commander.

That's how some 950 Fort Benning soldiers from the group got picked for duty in Somalia, Rupert said. "Our engineer units do some good work and they do it fast," he said. "They did it down in Florida and they're doing it now."

He was attempting to lay to rest one of the rumors surrounding the 36th Engineer Group's service in Africa — that Col. Philip Anderson, the commander, had volunteered his soldiers for that assignment.

"There's not that many engineer battalions, engineer groups available and the 36th had established a reputation . . . I don't think anybody was as well prepared to go over there," said Lt. Col. Spike Rupert, the 36th Engineer Group's rear-detachment commander.

That was not the case, although that rumor was particularly persistent before the troops left, Rupert said. "The 36th's number was called because they had done a good job in Florida," he said. "There's not that many engineer battalions, engineer groups available and the 36th had established a reputation . . . I don't think anybody was as well prepared to go over there."

Rupert is normally the 13th Corps Support Battalion's commander.

The troops' return remains the biggest concern of 36th Engineer Group families in the Columbus area, Rupert said.

"I think it will be mid-to-late March, if everything goes according to plan," he said, but added that nothing's guaranteed. "That could change, there's always other missions that could come along." He said the engineers are still on schedule to complete their road-work assignments by Sunday.

Initially, there was some concern about safety of the troops. But, although there has been increased violence this week, there have been no confrontations or attacks on the Fort Benning soldiers, Rupert said.

"I think the most important weapon we have is the assistance that we've rendered and the friendships we've made," he said. "When they start showing you where the land mines are, then you don't have to worry about a whole lot, because they're taking care of you."

Some of the concerns about safety were laid to rest with intense training in the woods at Fort Benning, where the troops were given scenarios they might face in Africa — disarming angry Somalis, confronting crowds, dealing with people trying to steal food and so forth — and taught how to deal with them, with some troops playing the "bad guys."

Although Rupert is the stay-behind commander, he has some troops from the 533 Transportation Company and one platoon from the 608th Ordnance Company in Somalia and some aviators in Kuwait.

According to Rupert's figures, the group has 843 soldiers in Somalia and/or Kuwait and 1,395 still at Fort Benning. Of its major pieces of equipment, 592 are in Somalia and 857 are on post.

One of the biggest gripes — the slow mail service — has "died down a lot" and letters to and from Somalia are being delivered in 10 to 14 days, he said.

Complaints about the lack of telephones in Somalia has been at least partially resolved since soldiers are now getting scheduled time slots during which they can call home on a military telephone system.

As for soldiers' complaints about getting too much chicken for their hot meals, Rupert said, "You can have five levels of people in logistics concerned about variety and one guy with a forklift, at the bottom, can screw it all up."

FYI

The Housing Referral Office provides assistance to all military personnel, their family members and Department of the Army civilians moving to the community. The Referral Office is located in Building 2622. Office hours are 7:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Call 545-3921.

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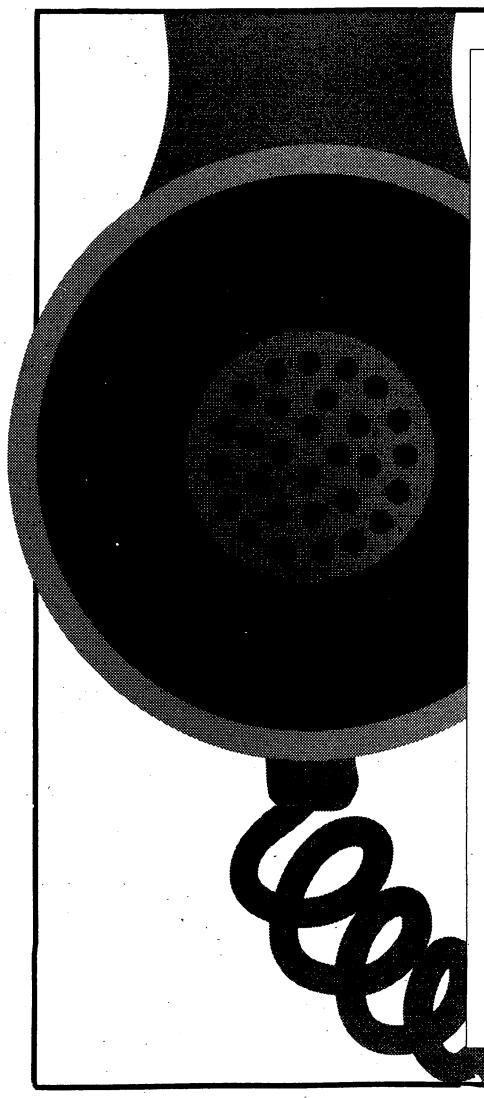

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AT EASE

Paul McCartney will be rocking the Georgia Dome on May 1.

McCartney tickets go on sale Saturday

By Sandra Okamoto
Staff Writer

Tickets for Paul McCartney's concert May 1 at the Georgia Dome go on sale Saturday at 9 a.m.

You can buy them locally at Turtle's Music & Video, 3156 Macon Road. Tickets are $32.50. There is an eight-ticket limit per person. By the way, take cash or a credit card. Checks will not be accepted.

There will be a lottery held at 8:30 a.m. Saturday to determine the order in which you can buy tickets. For example, if there are 100 people outside the door, you pick a number and you could be No. 1 or No. 100 or anywhere in between.

If you don't want to stand in line, you may try to call (404) 249-6400 to charge your ticket. But I think you'll have a better chance going to Turtle's if you want a good seat.

Comedy 'Marxism' being performed in LaGrange

From staff reports

The LaGrange College Theater Arts Department will present "Marxism: The Gospel According to Groucho" today and Saturday at the Price Theater. Curtain time is 7:30 p.m.

"Marxism" is a student-produced play with direction and scenic design by senior Paige Ray and light design by junior Chris Crawford. Stage manager is junior Kim Parrish. The cast of this two character play includes junior Ralph Price as David Radman and Theater Arts Department chairman Dr. Steve Taft as Charles Grimm.

"Marxism" was written by David Lemaster, a doctoral theater student at Texas Tech University.

" 'Marxism' is a comedy, however, like any good comedy it has its serious moments," said Ray. "It's a play about dreams, relationships and the theater."

Set in an old vaudeville theater in New York City, Radman, a young, cynical newspaper reporter, investigates the reasons behind the city's insistence to tear down the theater. He is aided in his investigation by the elderly Grimm, who leads Radman down an unforeseen path filled with moments of laughter and tears.

"Marxism" marks Taft's acting debut in LaGrange. "As a teacher of acting, I believe it is important for me to practice the craft that I teach," said Taft. "The performance faculty is of the opinion that we must put ourselves on stage from time to time. We must keep sharp within our profession and there is a certain amount of risk involved. It is difficult to ask our students to take risks if we are not willing to do so ourselves. In many ways, this is a recital for me. Ms. Ray, a University Resident Theater design finalist, has done a wonderful job directing and designing and it has been an excellent experience to work alongside our students."

"Marxism" is performed without an intermission and has a running time of about 55 minutes.

Tickets are $3. For more information, call (706) 812-7213 between 2:30-5 p.m. Monday-Friday.

June Jam searching for talent

Alabama (the group) holds its famous June Jam every year in Fort Payne, Ala. The concert features country music's top acts.

This year, there will be a talent search and the winner will open June Jam XII on June 12.

Now, if you're interested in being considered, send a cassette tape with three of your performances (original or cover songs) to Alabama June Jam, P.O. Box 929, Fort Payne, Ala. 35967, ATTN: Talent Search. Include a check (made out to Alabama June Jam) for $25. All entries must be received by 5 p.m. March 31.

Entry forms are available at WSTH-FM (South 106) at 1236 Broadway in Columbus.

Contestants will be chosen to perform at the semifinals sponsored by South 106.

Besides opening June Jam, the winner will receive $1,000 in cash, a video of their performance, back stage passes, introduction to the media, Bama jam products (one of the co-sponsors) and other prizes.

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Aspen Extreme (PG-13) 7 p.m., Main Post

Pet Sematary 2 (R) 9 p.m., Main Post

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Toy's (PG-13) 2 p.m., Sand Hill

Forever Young (PG) 2 p.m., Main Post

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20 Halt
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28 Wan
31 Pitcher
33 "Mad About You" star
36 Texture; cloth
38 Hurried
40 Strain for breath
41 Stop
43 — Coward
45 Unlocked
46 — butter
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53 Move quickly
54 Alan Alda series
56 Handling; usage
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70 Moved without motor power
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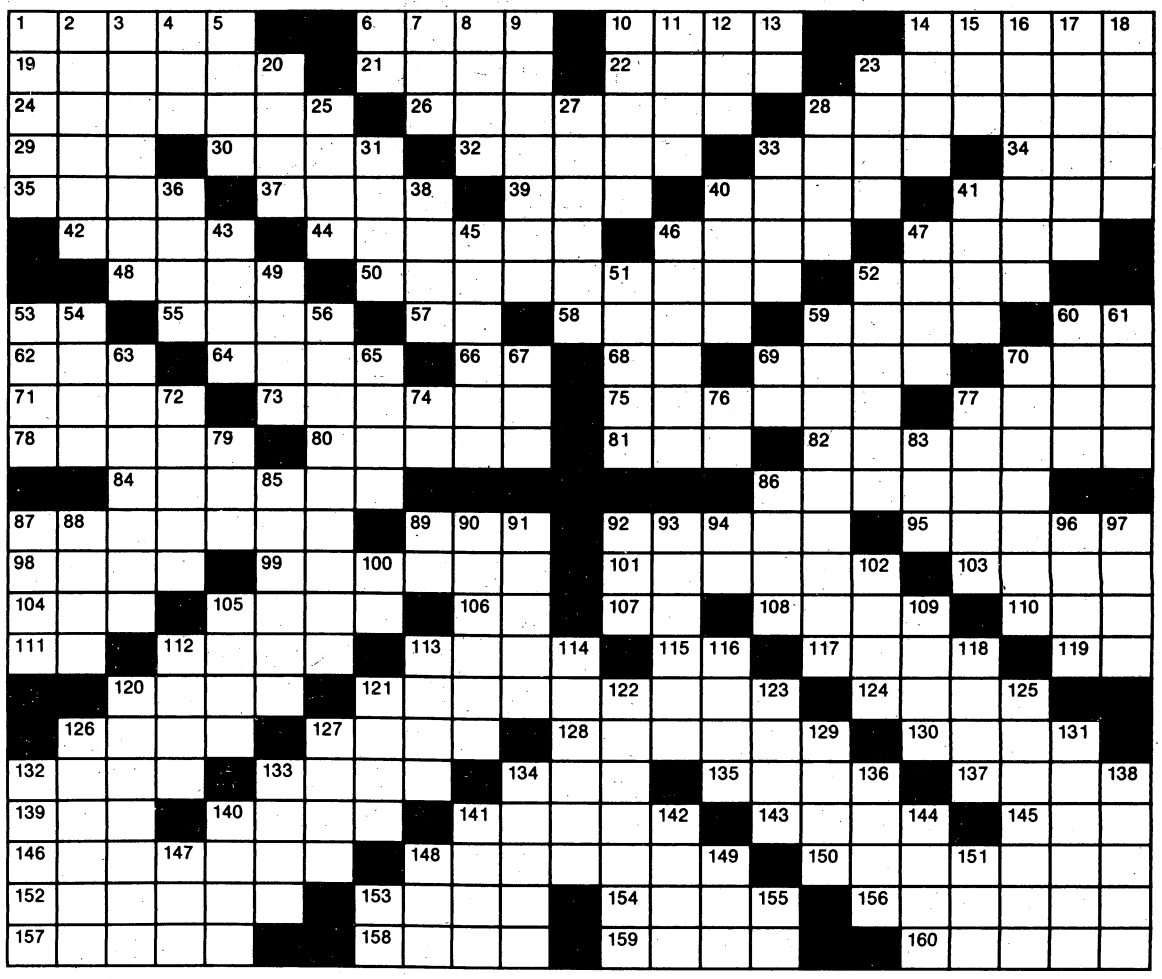

Crossword puzzle answer on Page 11

'Callaway Concert' will feature chorus of voices

From staff reports

"Callaway Concert: A Tribute," featuring the premiere of "Symphony No. 1" by Lee Johnson, chairman of the LaGrange College Music Department, and Mozart's "Missa Solemnis" will be presented at Callaway Auditorium March 5 at 8 p.m. It's free.

The performance will feature a chorus of voices of students from LaGrange College, Auburn University, the Georgia Institute of Technology, the University of Georgia and the Lafayette Chorale of LaGrange.

"The 'Callaway Concert' marks the collaboration of Georgia Tech, the University of Georgia, Auburn University, LaGrange College and the Lafayette Society for the Performing Arts in paying homage to a great philanthropist, industrialist and citizen of LaGrange," said LaGrange College president Walter Y. Murphy. "So far as I know, this is one of the only occasions that four educational institutions have collaborated in such an undertaking. All four have been recipients of the generosity of Mr. Callaway.

"It is our hope that not only all of LaGrange will take part in this tribute by attending the concert, but that all of Georgia and our Alabama friends will join in this expression of profound appreciation and admiration for his work. We are pleased that Lee Johnson, chairman of our LaGrange College Music Department, has composed a special symphony for this occasion, and that the program will also feature the 'Mass in C' by Mozart. This will be a monumental occasion commemorating this great man."

An orchestra of 35 musicians, including members from the Atlanta Ballet Orchestra, the Atlanta and Birmingham symphony orchestras, will perform the original musical score by Johnson, with a combined chorus of 130 voices.

Local musicians are Mark Ensley, pianist, and Wayne Helmly, organist. The scriptural text for the work was selected by Dr. Paul Baxter, pastor of First Baptist Church, LaGrange, where Callaway served as deacon and chairman of the board of deacons.

Cindy Ensley, soprano and member of the LaGrange College Music Department faculty, will be soloist for "Symphony No. 1" and for Mozart's "Mass in C." University of Georgia graduate students mezzo-soprano Andrea Gant Johnson, tenor James Archie Worley and Franklin Green will also be soloists for "Mass in C."

The concert will be presented on March 8 at 8 p.m. in the Theater for the Arts at Georgia Tech and March 9 at 8 p.m. (CST) by Auburn University at First Baptist Church in Auburn. The University of Georgia will perform a concert reading/open dress rehearsal of the "Callaway Concert" on March 4 as part of their Winter Quarter Concerts.

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ON POST

Defense firm warns against deep cuts

By Linda Bosley Dailey
Staff Writer

Military spending is neither the whole cause of nor the entire cure for the nation's budget woes, the chief executive officer of the national organization of the Association of the U.S. Army told the Chattahoochee Valley-Fort Benning chapter last week.

"The defense budget did not cause the budget deficit, and cutting the defense budget is not going to solve the budget deficit," said William F. Paul, senior vice president of government affairs for Connecticut-based United Technologies Corp.

United Technologies is the parent of Pratt and Whitney, a manufacturer of engine components for military and commercial jets, which has a plant in Columbus.

"The defense budget did not cause the budget deficit, and cutting the defense budget is not going to solve the budget deficit," said William F. Paul of United Technologies Corp.

Paul acknowledged that the military budget needs to be cut to help control the national deficit. "It must be cut, but it must not be a free fall," he said in his speech at the chapter's annual general membership meeting.

Still, Paul said, he is deeply concerned about reductions in the defense budget. Former President Bush cut the defense budget, and President Clinton wants to trim it further. But some members of Congress may want to make even deeper cuts in the defense budget, he said.

Paul asked his listeners to "support a strong defense" and to "insist on no further cuts" beyond what Clinton has proposed. Even if the defense budget were cut to zero, he said, the federal government would still have a $100 billion deficit.

"The president is right. We've got to cut the deficit. But the way to do it is we've got to work on ... the entitlements" — which will amount to about three times the spending on the military budget by 1998, Paul said. "That's got to be cut," he said of the spending on entitlements.

But the military must remain poised to face future challenges as they arise, in unfamiliar locations around the world. "Who knows where we're going to be next?" Paul asked.

Honoring a fallen soldier

By Joe Maher/The Benning Leader

Shirley Taylor unveils the sign designating Taylor Field in honor of her late husband, Lt. Col. Ben Frank Taylor, last week in a ceremony at Fort Benning. Col. Larry White, left, commander of the 11th Infantry Regiment and retired Col. John D. Fuller, former commander of the 2nd Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment, look on. Taylor, an Officer Candidate School graduate, died on Feb. 17, 1992, while serving as the deputy commander of the U.S. Army Infantry Training Center.

Excellent chance

Benning chosen as finalist in community competition

By Jerry Rutledge
Leader Editor

The nomination packet had done the trick.

Thirty-six pages describing how Fort Benning takes care of its soldiers and provides quality customer services for its military and civilian population was enough to earn the post a finalist's spot in the Army Communities of Excellence competition.

Last week, when Col. Tom White and the ACOE evaluation team visited Benning to see all the facilities and services, the job was to bring the nominating packet to life.

White was impressed with what he saw. At stake for Fort Benning and the 11 other finalists worldwide in the ACOE competition is the Commander-in-Chief's Award, a $1.5 million prize and the label of "Best Installation in the Army."

"When you are used to dealing with people who are doing extraordinary things, you get some unusual expectations," said White during a break in the tour at the National Infantry Museum.

"Fort Benning went through a very rigorous process to compete. (It) developed a nomination package. TRADOC (Training and Doctrine Command) came down and evaluated it on a TRADOC-wide evaluation. They submitted a very large package that explained the very wonderful things they are doing here, taking care of soldiers and improving quality customer service. We want to see those things come to life. We want to see those things in action. That's what this thing is all about.

"Are we seeing what we expected? You bet. What we are seeing is an extraordinary community."

The ACOE team had visited three other installations prior to making the Fort Benning stop. This week, the ACOE is visiting Fort Sill, Okla., which, with Fort Lewis, Wash., is competing with the local post in the large installation category. Later, the ACOE team will make a six-week swing from Oklahoma south to Panama and west to Japan, Korea and Hawaii. After a quick stop in Washington, the team will then take on the European part of its tour. This phase should end by April.

"Once that's over with, we'll get together with team members and come up with what our thoughts are and make a recommendation to the chief," said White. "Hopefully, by the 15th or 20th of April, he'll approve the recommendation. Then there will an announcement."

The team will pare the 12 finalists into six winners — large, medium and small installation winners in CONUS and OCONUS categories. After those are selected, one big winner ("The best of the best," White said) will be picked. That post will be the Commander-in-Chief's Award winner.

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The winner of the Commander-in-Chief's Award will be honored at a ceremony in the Pentagon on May 20 and represent the Army at the Department of Defense ceremony on May 21.

"The competition/evaluation is nice. It's exciting and all that," said White, who is in his first year with the ACOE. "But this is a wonderful motivator for all the installations to focus on pulling their excellence programs together. The real point is not the competition. The point is the 150, 200, 300 installations that are doing this and are making themselves better for the people who live there. That's really the point of the exercise. If the focus was on the tangible reward and recognition, it wouldn't work — it would have failed a long time ago and the community wouldn't support it."

RELIGION

Gay church flourishes in Bible Belt

From wire reports

DALLAS — Dallas hasn't been known for kindness to gays and lesbians.

Community leaders and religious groups in this conservative Bible Belt city have fought to keep homosexuals off the police force. The state's 114-year-old sodomy statute makes homosexual sex a misdemeanor punishable by a $200 fine.

Dallas also is the place where a judge told reporters he gave a killer a lighter sentence because the victims were "queers" out "trying to spread AIDS around."

In that atmosphere, however, a congregation that claims to be the world's largest gay and lesbian church quietly thrives.

The 1,000-member Cathedral of Hope Metropolitan Community Church last week dedicated its new $3 million cathedral, and is looking ahead toward an expanding ministry.

It hopes to develop a nursing home for elderly gays and lesbians. It wants to launch a television ministry to help counter fundamentalist Christian views on homosexuality and religion. It seeks to develop a wellness center and retreat for homosexual teen-agers kicked out of their homes, and a soup kitchen to feed the homeless.

It also hopes to get the Dallas community at large to recognize that all homosexuals are not drag queens or gyrating leather-clad participants in gay pride celebrations.

"I'm not putting those people down, because they are a part of what the gay community is. ... But that's not all of it," said senior pastor Michael Piazza.

"What we hope to do is to force people to recognize that lesbian and gay people are people just like them. People who go to work, wear suits and dresses, struggle with relationships, struggle to pay the mortgage. ...

"What we hope to do is to force people to recognize that lesbian and gay people are people just like them," said senior pastor Michael Piazza. "People who go to work, wear suits and dresses, struggle with relationships, struggle to pay the mortgage. . . ."

"You walk into the congregation and you may not even know you're in a lesbian and gay church. We're people just like anyone else. The people who gather here on Sunday are, first and foremost, Christians."

Almost every major city has a Metropolitan Community Church. Since the international governing body, the United Fellowship of Metropolitan Community Churches, was founded in 1968, membership has grown from 12 members in Los Angeles to more than 27,000 worldwide, according to UFMCC headquarters in Los Angeles.

UFMCC has 264 churches in 16 countries and 47 states. The denomination's largest number of churches are in Texas and Florida.

"Church is a more important part of the overall culture of people living in Dallas and in Texas than for some of the larger places where gays are visible like San Francisco," said UFMCC's Kit Cherry.

In December, Cathedral of Hope left behind the folding chairs and low ceilings of its temporary office building sanctuary and moved into its new facility near Dallas Love Field airport, in the heart of the gay community. That church building committee had encountered resistance in searching for a site and financing.

Church officials had hoped to find an existing church in which to relocate. Many congregations, however, refused to deal with a ministry with an outreach to homosexuals, said spokesman Ralph Masek.

"One church even said they would rather burn their church down before they sold it to us," Masek said.

Resorting to building a new structure, the church eventually found six acres and sold $2 million in bonds, 90 percent to the gay and lesbian community, to finance construction.

Cathie Adams, president of the conservative Dallas Eagle Forum, called it a "sad commentary" that a gay and lesbian church exists in a city she calls "the buckle on the Bible Belt."

Sunday services are ecumenical, incorporating traditions from several different denominations.

"It doesn't matter what your religious background, you'll find something that you recognize in our services," Piazza said.

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"We want to help them recognize their lifestyle as a habitual problem to them," Adams said. "They have not accepted that message."

Those kind of messages, Piazza said, lead most gays and lesbians to Cathedral of Hope.

"Ninety percent of the people who come here have felt excluded from the mainline community and churches," he said. "We've taken back what was taken from us."

MCC clergy are trained by Samaritan College, UFMCC's education institution in Los Angeles, and by about 20 seminaries of other Christian denominations that accept UFMCC students.

Some 42 percent of UFMCC clergy are women, believed to be the highest percentage among Christian denominations in the United States.

The elected leadership consists of a seven-member Board of Elders, headed by UFMCC founder, the Rev. Troy D. Perry, moderator and chief executive.

The denomination has an annual operating budget of about $1 million, a little less than the Cathedral of Hope's $1.064 million operating budget this year.

Crossword answer

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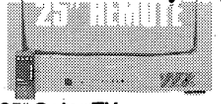

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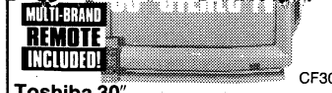

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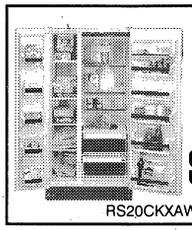

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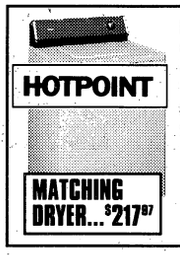

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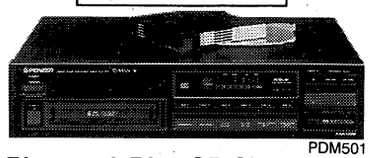

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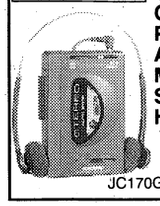

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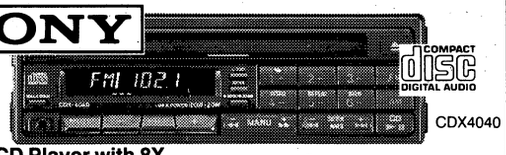

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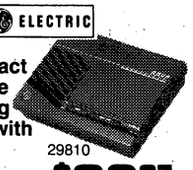

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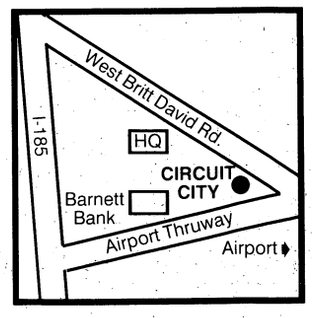

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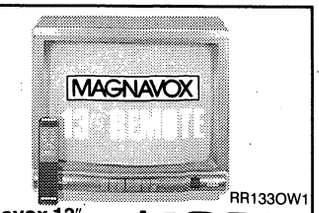

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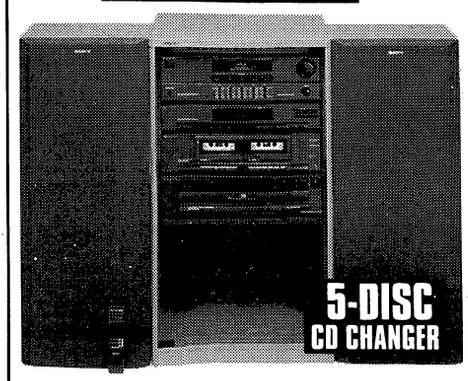

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The Travel Fair is a great opportunity for people to acquire travel ideas from representatives of airlines, cruise lines, tour companies, hotels, car rental agencies, and attractions such as Walt Disney World and the Pine Mountain Zoo.

According to Linda Guerrero, branch manager of the SatoTravel Leisure Center, over 80 vendors were present at the 1992 Travel Fair to distribute information to over 4,000 prospective travelers.

Linda Guerrero, branch manager of the SatoTravel Leisure Center, stresses, "If you plan to take a vacation this year, whether it's a three-day weekend, a two-week dream trip, or a 30-day excursion home to visit your family, you should attend the 1993 Travel Fair."

At the 1993 Travel Fair, in addition to learning about exciting vacation destinations, visitors will have the opportunity to participate in fantastic giveaways, with prizes including round trip tickets to Europe from Delta Airlines, weekend getaways and other fabulous vacations.

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SatoTravel has three locations on Fort Benning — the main office at Soldier's Plaza, the Leisure Travel and Vacation Center on Ingersoll Street, and the Sand Hill Office located on Hanson Drive. This full-service travel company is available to assist anyone on Fort Benning, including active-duty soldiers, civilian employees, retired servicemembers, and Reserve and National Guard members, as well as all family members and friends.

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For more information about the Travel Fair, or for assistance with any travel arrangements, call SatoTravel at (706) 687-4900, or visit the Vacation Center on Ingersoll Street on Fort Benning.

Motorists should beware of bump-and-rob ploy

From wire reports

Prompted by a growing number of violent incidents involving motorists, the American Automobile Association is urging its one million Mid-Atlantic members to keep going if their cars are hit from the rear in minor accidents, to keep car doors locked and windows rolled up at all times and to keep car keys separate from house keys.

Safety cards being distributed by the club advise motorists to motion to other drivers to follow them to the nearest police station or service station if they are banged from the rear. The advice is the same that some rental-car companies have been giving customers after a series of bump-and-rob crimes in Miami and elsewhere.

The AAA also encourages drivers approaching stoplights to leave enough space between them and the cars in front so that they can pull out if their cars are approached. But "if approached by a person with a gun demanding your vehicle, give up your car. It's not worth your life."

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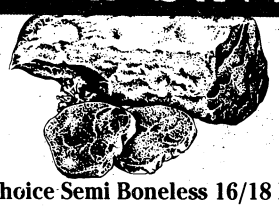

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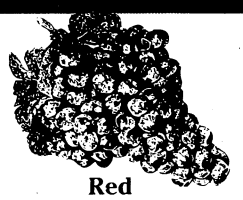

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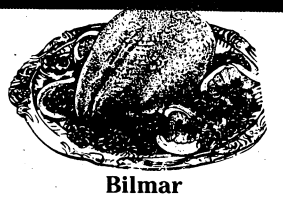

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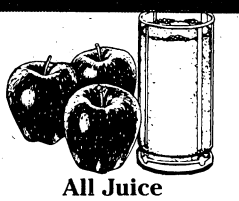

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COMMUNITY

Having fun with mathematics

By Joe Maher/The Benning Leader

Dr. Mary Lindquist, president of the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics, plays a numbers game with student Ketra Broomfield at Edward White School at Fort Benning. Lindquist, a professor at Columbus College, visited White and Faith middle schools on post last week to meet with administrators, teachers and students to discuss the importance of mathematics education.

Teen pregnancy seminar to be held Saturday

A seminar on prevention of teen-age pregnancy will be held Saturday from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Masonic Temple, 815 Sixth Ave., Columbus.

The seminar is free. Registration begins at 9:30 a.m. Saturday.

Scheduled speakers include Areka Spencer, Magic 98 radio; Danita Gibson, businesswoman; Woodrow Low, former professional football player; Nate Odom, football player for the Buffalo Bills; Billy Dee, Foxie 105 radio; Dee Armstrong, Channel 9 news anchor; Evelyn Turner, Columbus councilwoman; and Bennie Newroth, health-care worker.

For more information, call 689-6545.

Pacelli group having auction to help school

The Home and School Organization of Pacelli High School is sponsoring an auction Saturday in the school auditorium at 7 p.m.

Proceeds will go toward scholarships, computer upgrades and many other operational support items for the school.

Tax deductible donations of new items are welcomed.

For more information, call Jean Carden at 298-6842 or JoRhee Pezlod at 568-7423.

COMMENTARY

Corporations vital to success of AUSA

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Corporate members are vital in the organization of the Association of the United States Army and its objectives to support the Total Army soldiers and their families living at Fort Benning and in the Chattahoochee Valley area. Since AUSA is he one organization that represents the Total Army — active duty, Reserves, National Guard, Department of the Army civilians, ROTC and retirees, the link between this Total Army family and the communities in which they live is the responsibility of our local chapter of the AUSA. This becomes the "Grass Roots" expression of community spirit and support for the Army as an institution and those who serve.

The National AUSA Corporate member program includes over 8,000 businesses with over 20,000 designated corporate members who believe in the strategic role of the Army as a key element in the nation's defense: banks, merchants, communities, educational institutions, corporations, societies, veteran's groups, civic clubs, industrial companies, private organizations, townships, contractors, Chambers of Commerce and professionals such as lawyers and doctors are some who comprise the corporate membership.

While the Chattahoochee Valley-Fort Benning Chapter is the second-largest chapter of AUSA in the world, we have just over 200 businesses who have corporate memberships — down from over 500 a decade ago. Many of the business leaders who have supported the Army and AUSA over the years and continue that support today are corporate members have expressed surprise at the decline in corporate membership, since this region has a great reputation throughout the Army for community and business support of Fort Benning and the U.S. Army.

The objectives of the AUSA can be expressed very simply in four statements:

PUBLIC EDUCATION — about the Army.

PROFESSIONALISM — within the Army.

INDUSTRY LIAISON — in support of the Army.

PEOPLE SUPPORT — for those in the Army.

To discuss these briefly, consider the fact that it has been almost 20 years since the end of the draft and a large percentage of our national population has not served in the voluntary force and the number of our elected Congressional members and appointed officials have no prior military service or experience in defense matters. With the downsizing of the Army, this percentage will increase. It is important that we have an informed public about our Army. The AUSA public education program is focused on this need. Those of you who attended the Winter General Membership meeting on Feb. 18 at the Fort Benning Officers Open Mess and heard William Paul, the CEO of AUSA and the senior vice-president of United Technologies for Governmental Affairs, speak on "Challenges in Washington" will attest to the value of this program.

Professionalism in the Army has never been higher. The leadership at all grade levels is superb, the state of training and force capability is unequalled in our history, and the quality of soldiers serving is the best in the world. AUSA recognizes and promotes professionalism within the force as a major objective and we must maintain it as the Army is reduced in strength — for those who serve and for the benefit of the nation.

The high technology in our equipment and the strength of our industrial base is a combat multiplier. The entire world saw during Desert Shield/Desert Storm the impact of well-trained professional soldiers armed with high technology equipment, produced and sustained from a strong industrial base. Industry is vital for our Army to maintain this technological edge for our future soldiers and to retain an industrial base capable of producing in shortened lead times to sustain an Army in combat and win.

As we have stated in previous columns, people are the most important part of the Army. We must support those who serve and their families with a standard of living and quality of life that rewards the sacrifices that they make after a decision to serve. It is also important that this nation show that support at the "grass roots" level. The local AUSA chapters provide an opportunity for communities to support soldiers. That is certainly the priority objective of the Fort Benning chapter.

Considering only the business and economic aspects of community support and AUSA membership as a vehicle to express that support, it is important to recognize the economic importance of Fort Benning and the Army to this region. Fort Benning is the largest economic activity in this region. Consider the monthly economic impact of Fort Benning based on representative

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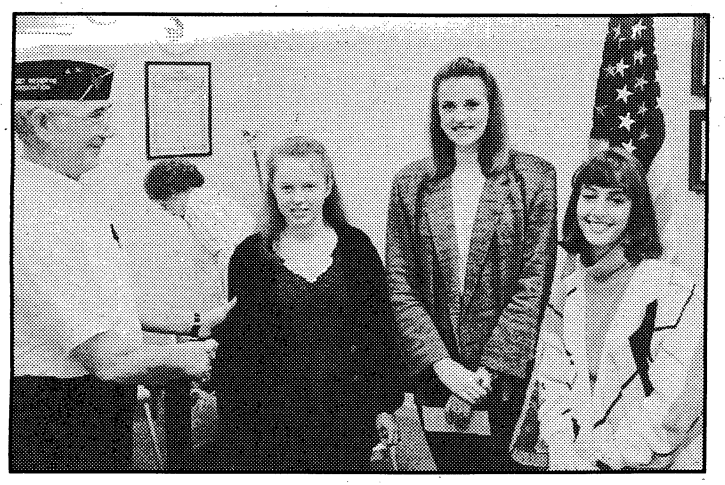
VETERANS

Patriotic essays



The Chattahoochee Valley Fleet Reserve Association, Branch 79, recently held an awards presentation for an Americanism Patriotism Essay Contest for high school students. The 1993-94 theme was "Why I'm Proud to be an American." Twenty-four schools in the Columbus/Phenix City area were invited to participate. The overall winner was Erin Embry, ninth grade, Columbus High. Grade level winners and their schools were: Sumika Phillips, eighth grade, Rothschild Middle School; Stacy Williams, 10th grade, Russell County High; Jennifer Gittings, 11th grade, Spencer High; and Amey Elizabeth Harvey, 12th grade, Shaw High. Pictured above left to right are: Earl Marchbanks, president of Branch 79; Embry; Williams and Harvey. Phillips and Gittings are not pictured.

Program marks 5th year of helping local veterans

The Community Services Program of the Tuskegee Veterans Affairs Medical Center on Wednesday celebrated the fifth anniversary of operating from its office at 1008 Broadway in Columbus.

The program began in August 1987, operating temporarily from the Disabled American Veterans Chapter 56 building, and then in February 1988, moved into its current office on Broadway.

"This clinic was forged," said Robert Rollins, the medical center's associate director. "We forced it out of our own hide, out of our own funds" to establish the office that provides outpatient services to veterans so they can receive some medical care and counseling services without having to travel to Tuskegee.

Since then, the CSP has increased the services it provides to include medical exams, psychiatric services and counseling for post-traumatic stress disorder, substance abuse and vocational rehabilitation, among other things. The clinic averages 700 visits by veterans each month.

Attorney Jack T. Brinkley, a former U.S. representative from Columbus, was the guest speaker at the ceremony.

"Let someone else do it ...? The testimony here today is that the VA has never said that" in its efforts to care for veterans, Brinkley said.

Gulf veterans offered exams

Veterans with medical problems who believe they were exposed to environmental hazards during the Persian Gulf conflict, are being urged to come to the Tuskegee VA Medical Center for a free examination. Medical examinations will be promptly arranged. If hospitalization is necessary that, too, will be arranged.

"We are committed to providing high quality medical care for Persian Gulf veterans as we are to all veterans," said VA Medical Director Jimmie Clay.

Veterans of the Persian Gulf conflict also have special access to counseling through VA's community-based vet centers.

Veterans, whether they have symptoms or are simply concerned, are encouraged to become part of a registry providing medical surveillance, Clay said.

"The diagnostic data gathered from the veteran's examination, will be computerized, giving us the opportunity to detect any patterns which may emerge."

The VA Medical Center is located at 2400 Hospital Road, Tuskegee, Ala. The coordinator's telephone number is (205) 727-0550, ext. 3374.

Corporations are vital to the success of AUSA

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figures for December 1992 below:

DISBURSEMENTS — $73.4 million.

CONTRACTS AWARDED — $59.8 million.

CONTRACT EMPLOYEES — 1,314 paid $2.6 million.

PERSONNEL:

- Military strength — 20,782.
- Civilian strength 7,663.
- Retired military within a 50-mile radius — 8,187.
- Family members serviced by Fort Benning — 45,409.
- Other support (ROTC, USAR, etc.) — 12,412.

Total personnel serviced by Fort Benning — 95,984.

HOUSING:

- Military families residing off post — 5,408.

In this period of change, we must not take anything for granted about Fort Benning and the Army in this region. An informed and supportive community is strength and AUSA corporate membership gives the business community a way to express their support. The Chattahoochee Valley-Fort Benning chapter is one of only two of the national chapters that have sub-chapters. In our case, the sub-chapters are aligned with the major subordinate commands at Fort Benning and individual and corporate members in the community are assigned to the sub-chapter based on the zip code of their address. For example, members from the Phenix City area are a part of the Ranger Training Brigade sub-chapter. In next week's column, I will provide a list of the sub-chapters and the aligned zip code areas.

I would encourage you to do the following:

- Become a corporate member of AUSA.
- If you are already a member, renew your membership.
- Take part in AUSA chapter activities and special events.
- Read the material and publications provided to all members. This will clearly outline the issues and answers.
- Get to know the commanders and senior enlisted personnel for the sub-chapter to which you are assigned. Support your sub-chapter and their activities.
- Help us find new corporate members.
- Contact the AUSA office at (706) 689-3272 and/or Don Colby, corporate membership chairman, at (706) 568-5400 for information or corporate membership forms.

Ben Register, a retired lieutenant general, is president of the Chattahoochee Valley-Fort Benning Chapter of the Association of the United States Army (AUSA).

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A-Z SERVICES

CHILD CARE C7

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HOTPOINT refrigerator, white, 18 cu.ft., $195. 322-4161.

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WASHER, DRYER & Refrigerator, good condition, $100 each. 327-6700

CAMERA/ PHOTO 046

Canon A E 1 w/50mm 1.8 lens & case, 199A flash & case, OSAWA 28mm 2.8 lens, OSAWA 80-200mm 4.5 lens, camera bag, elevator tripod, $300. 327-4962

CLOTHING 050

WEDDING DRESS, candlelight with sequins & pearls, portrait neckline, sz. 9, includes veil & crinolin. Paid $1400, asking $600. Call 561-6569

FIREARMS 056

GUN & KNIFE SHOW (Antiques & Modern) Municipal Auditorium, Sat. & Sun., March 6-7. Buy, sell or trade - bring your trade items. Admission $4. Call Al Borders, 297-0438

SKS RIFLE $139.95. M1 GRAND, 30-06 rifle, $350. M1 CARBINE $250. TAURUS Snub Nose, new, $220. Call 297-6486.

(2) Taurus .38 specail, 5 shots, 2 inch barrel, stainless steel, 1 w/hammer, 1 without, $225 each; 9mm Baretta, model PB92, made in Italy, $425. Call 298-6812

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DREXEL Twin Beds, antique white & gold w/matching night stand, $500. Springs & mattress included. 568-4437 lv msg.

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SWIVEL BARSTOOLS, nice, oak finish, 3mos. old, $75ea. 568-7942.

WATERBED, 1yr. old, $200; dining table & 6 chairs, $100. Call 297-2607.

SPORTS EQUIP. & SUPPLIES 064

DP ULTRA Gym pack, 30+ different exercises, perfect cond., rarely used, $200/offer. 563-9714

SOLOFLEX; all attachments, $800; DP stationary bicycle, $100. Call 563-5867

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MEDICAL SUPPLIES 074

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MISC. FOR SALE 076

AQUARIUM 30 gal., everything included (fish, etc.), **large** stand w/many uses, $200. Call 687-3535.

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10 band programmable
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CAMPER SHELL Fullsize Ford or Chevy, fiberglass $125, aluminum $100. Call 989-3209 if no answer 324-6359

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Pecan wood, great cond., $125. Mary Kay glamour items, $5 - $20. Call 682-4571

GAS DRYER, exc., $110; microwave oven, $60. 660-0561.

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MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS 078

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PETS 122

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AKC DALMATIANS, Call Gene Connell after 7 p.m. 912-336-0959 Sale City, GA.

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JACK RUSSELL TERRIER puppies, 8 wks. old. Dothan 205-794-7651

LAB PUPS, AKC shots & wormed, Blk. $150; Choc & yellow, $200. 324-2976

MIXED DOG, part pit, white w/brwn spots, looks like "Spud" dog, $50. 563-4802

PETS-LOST & FOUND 127

HAVE YOU LOST YOUR PET? Please contact the Muscogee County Humane Society at 7133 Sacerdote Lane, off Schatulga Road, 706-563-4929 or the Russell County Humane Society at 205-298-0080.

LOST: Dachshund, black w/brown markings. Ft. Benning area. 682-1966

YOU CAN HELP SAVE A PET
Call our 24-hour hotline for lost & found pets. 480-3355 (local call for Columbus and Phenix City residents).

FREE COLUMN ANIMALS 130

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LAWN MOWERS & EQUIP. 136

CRAFTSMAN 10hp 30" cut, dual rear bagger, riding lawn mower. Good condition, $500. 563-2003

200 EMPLOYMENT

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office - ofc.
home - hm.
work - wk.
part time - P/T
full time - F/T
experience - exp.
technician - tech.
commercial driver's license - CDL
over-the-road - OTR
service - svc.
assistant - asst.
system - sys.
references - ref.
required - req.
words per minute - wpm

RESTAURANTS & CLUBS 212

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DRIVERS 227

DRIVERS

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SKILLS & TRADES 228

SECURITY OFFICERS needed. 2 yrs. min. experience, Medical benefits. 1-800-551-8564, ext. 299.

CHILD CARE WANTED 229

SEEKING full-time childcare for 2 toddlers. Preferably in home of licensed provider willing to work rotating shifts. Ft. Benning. Call 682-6668 before 2PM

JOB WANTED 230

GERMAN WOMAN experienced in cleaning houses, apartments and trailers, looking for jobs. Call 561-2419

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living room - LR
greatroom - GR
fireplace - FP
central heat/air-cent. h/a
washer/dryer - w/d connections-w/d conn.
refrigerator - fridge
available - avail.
north - N.
south - S.
Columbus - Cols.
Phenix City- P.C.
acres - ac.
minutes - min.
apartment - apt.
month - mo.
subdivision - S/D
large - lg.
double - dbl.
years - yrs.
utilities - util.
highway - hwy
condominium - condo
appliances - appl.
payments - pymts.
furnished - furn.
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HOMES FOR SALE GA 616

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power windows - pw
power brakes - pb
power door locks - pdl
automatic - auto
speed - sp
miles/mileage - mi
pickup truck - p/u
horsepower - hp
miles per gallon - mpg
air conditioner - air
convertible - conv.
door - dr
engine - eng.
excellent condition-exc cond
cassette - cass.
Chevrolet - Chevy
long bed - lb
short bed - sb
transmission - trans.
four wheel drive - 4wd
service records - svc. rec.
Volkswagen - VW
Continential - Cont.
Mercury - Merc.
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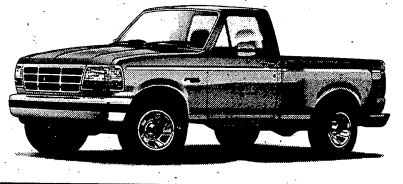

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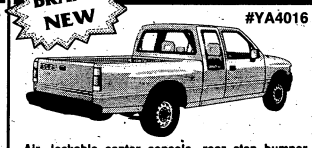

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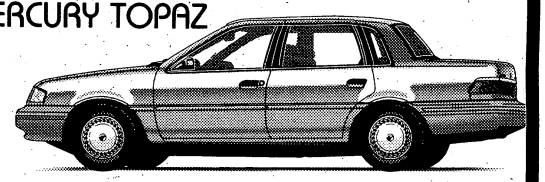

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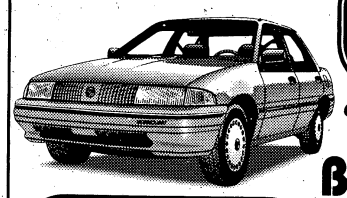

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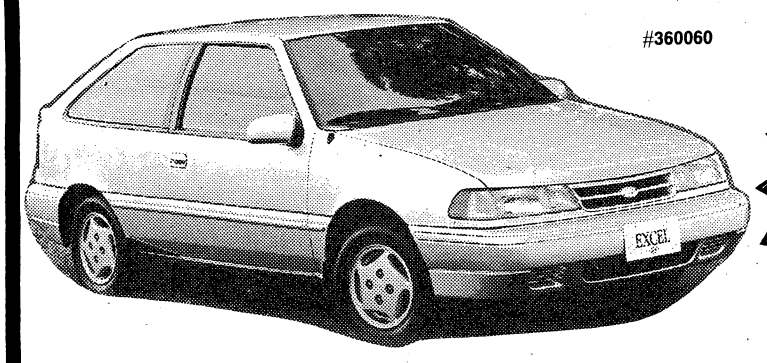

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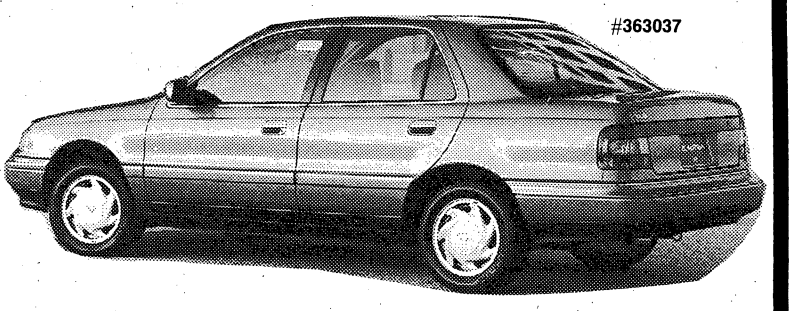

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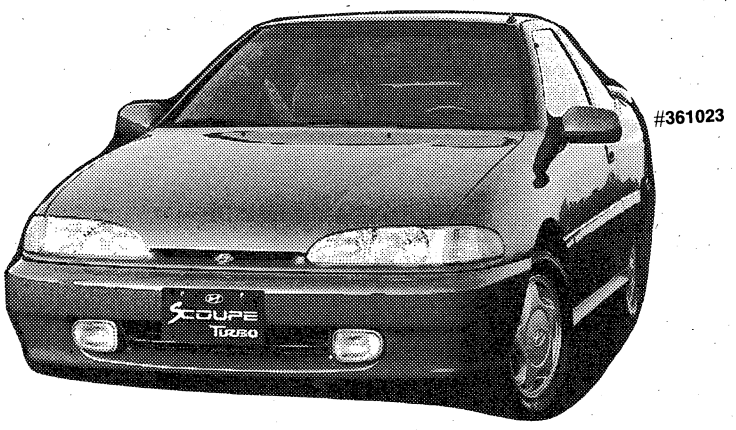

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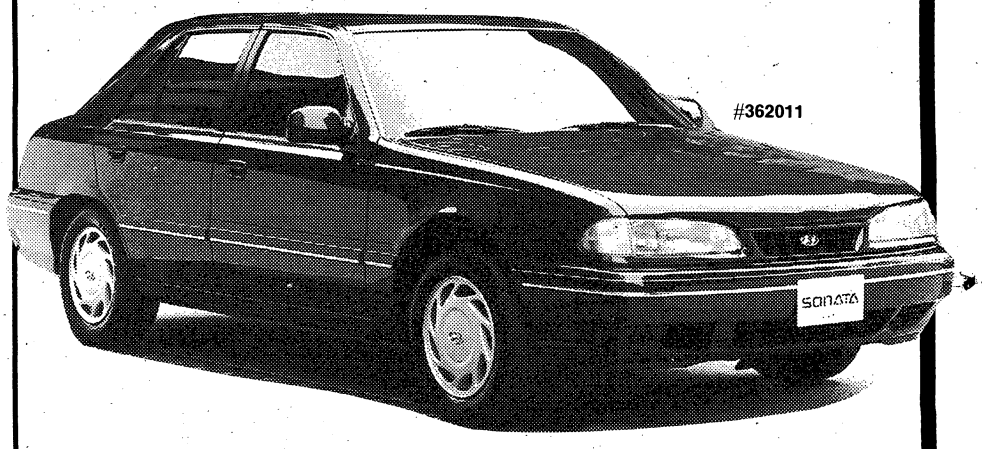

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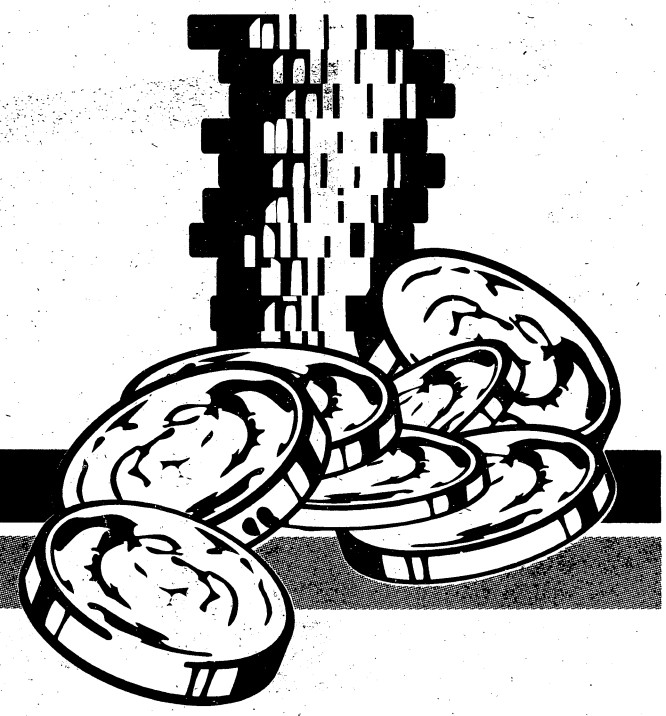

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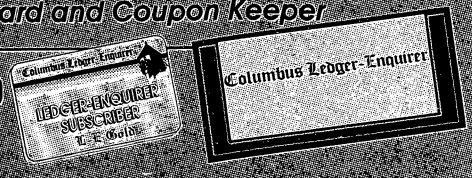

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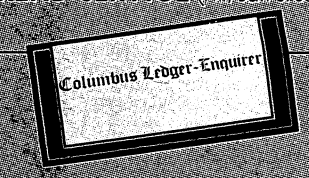

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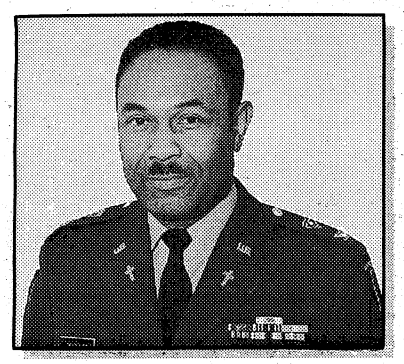

Keeping faith

Col. Roy Plummer says the interesting thing about being an Army chaplain is the constant challenges. **Page 5**

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Some Fort Benning soldiers may be returning from Somalia next week. Others, however, are not scheduled for redeployment until May. **Pages 8 and 9**

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Kathy Cray says the Combined Communities of Southeast Columbus tutorial program is one of a kind, unlike any other program she has seen over her past 10 years of travel. **Page 4**

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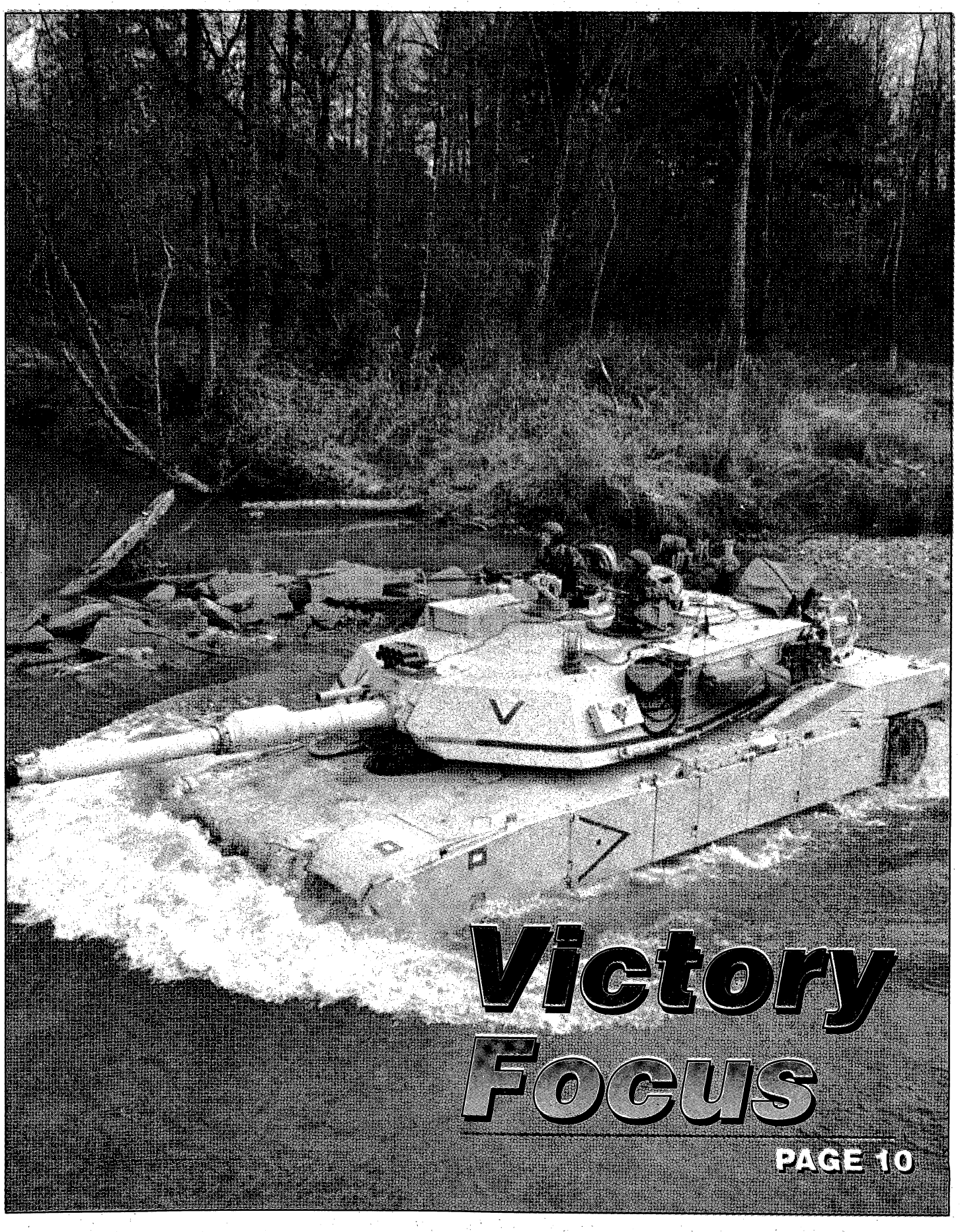

Victory Focus

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COMMENTARY

Pentagon could use heavy dose of integrity

WASHINGTON — Top defense officials continue to sandbag Congress with evasive or misleading statements. The examples just keep piling up, suggesting that the real problem in the Pentagon is not a shortage of money but of integrity.

Just this week, at a House Armed Services Committee hearing, Rep. Floyd D. Spence, R-S.C., asked what sounded like a direct question regarding the fate of 12 Air National Guard squadrons whose task is to defend the skies over North America.

David Evans

In their recent report on roles and missions, the Joint Chiefs of Staff said they would like to eliminate these Guard outfits and assign their interceptor task to squadrons in the Air Force, the Navy and the Marine Corps. If that were done, the Air National Guard would lose 180 planes and the people that go with them.

But instead of giving this kind of direct answer, Army Lt. Gen. Edwin Leland, representing the Joint Chiefs at the hearing, turned on the fog generator and talked about how the requirement to defend the skies over America remains and how the Joint Chiefs don't believe a specific part of the force structure should be dedicated to that mission. He never used the words printed in the Joint Chiefs' report: "Eliminate or sharply reduce" the Air National Guard's interceptor force.

This, of course, was the conclusion Spence wanted confirmed and didn't get.

Bob Gaskin, a spokesman with Business Executives for National Security, a Washington lobby group for defense reform, attended the hearing and thought Leland's answer was patently disingenuous.

"He hedged so much the answer bordered on outright lying. The military would be far more credible if it was more frank," said Gaskin, a retired Air Force colonel.

The half-answer is another ploy frequently used to befuddle Congress. For example, in May, Sen. Christopher S. Bond, R-Mo., raised two issues with Defense Secretary Dick Cheney about the Navy's plans to spend almost $5 billion to produce an upgraded F/A-18 strike fighter. Bond asked, What about building a prototype first, and what about these reports that this bigger, heavier plane may not fly farther?

Cheney promised a follow-up answer.

On June 10, Cheney's staff sent an insert for the record that said building a prototype was unnecessary because the upgraded F/A-18 was "similar aerodynamically" to the model now flying. There was no mention that almost half the airplane's increased range came from the improved aerodynamics of a redesigned wing.

A mid-level Pentagon staffer complained that the answer was misleading and that the apparent lying to Congress should be investigated. Instead, a substitute insert was sent to Capitol Hill on Aug. 10, which was tantamount to conceding that the first answer didn't tell the whole truth.

Neither did the second. It acknowledged that the "airframe design has been modified to substantially increase its range," but "airframe" can refer to the whole airplane. There still wasn't a word about the new wing, a major factor that alone would support building a prototype before committing billions of dollars to production.

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The non-answer can also throw Congress off the scent of scandal. For example, Rep. John Conyers Jr., D-Mich., chairman of the Government Operations Subcommittee on Legislation and National Security, convened a hearing in May to inquire about an October 1990 meeting in which top Air Force officials involved in the C-17 transport program conspired to award financially troubled McDonnell Douglas, the prime contractor, about $300 million in progress payments for work the company had not performed.

We know this now from a scathing Defense Department inspector general's report that recommended disciplinary action for the officials involved, including Brig. Gen. Michael Butchko. At his hearing, Conyers asked Butchko if he had been at the meeting.

Butchko: "Sir, I cannot tell you a specific date."

Conyers: "All right. Do you have any records?"

Butchko: "I do not have any records. . . . I checked what few notes I had."

Later, in reviewing the transcript for accuracy, Butchko submitted a statement to Conyers' panel, acknowledging that he attended the meeting and that the magnitude of the illegal payments were discussed.

Earlier this month, Conyers requested a criminal investigation by the Justice Department, saying Butchko's notes impeached his oral testimony, which was under oath.

"There is no question that our hearings would have taken a different direction had these questions been answered honestly," Conyers wrote.

Butchko, by the way, has been promoted to two-star rank, which just goes to show that amnesia before Congress must be a virtue these days.

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WW II 50TH ANNIVERSARY

Fifty years ago this week, Field Marshal Erwin Rommel left North Africa for the last time, returning to Germany with the hope of convincing Adolf Hitler to evacuate his depleted forces from the area.

Rommel perceived the effort in North Africa to be a lost cause, wasting scores of men and much needed resources after months of Allied advances and German setbacks, which culminated in an easily repelled Axis attack on Medenine, Tunisia.

As had often been the case with Hitler, he ignored the advice of his military commander, pushing for renewed offensives. By week's end, a Free French force held off another feeble German assault on an outpost at Ksar Rhilane.

Here, according to research by the Military History Division at Fort Benning, were the top news items of the week 50 years ago:

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Britain's Royal Air Force Bomber Command launched a 443-plane raid on the well-defended German city of Essen. This was the first of 43 major air attacks to come in the next four months against the area as part of the costly Battle of the Ruhr, orchestrated by Air Marshal Sir Arthur Harris who was a major proponent of area, as opposed to strategic, bombing. Harris' decision to raid a non-military target such as Exxen, based on his belief that bombing populated industrial centers would cripple the German war effort and erode morale, served as a precursor to the later bombing of Dresden.

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On the Eastern Front, Germany's Fourth Panzer Army inflicted heavy Soviet casualties, while the SS Corps penetrated Kharkov as part of Field Marshal Erich von Manstein's offensive against the Russian city. In the central sector of Russia, however, Soviet forces advanced, capturing Sychevka and Gzhatsk between Vyazma and Rzhev.

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On the homefront, President Franklin D. Roosevelt appointed a committee, composed of high-level business experts such as Bernard Baruch, to investigate the manpower problems facing American industry.

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Fort Benning commemorated the 42nd anniversary of the 29th Infantry Regiment with a parade and review and a special meal prepared n all dining facilities.

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Food and medicine drop into Bosnia

U.S. welcomes help from Russia

From wire reports

WASHINGTON — The Clinton administration on Tuesday hailed Russia's announced participation in the Bosnian airdrop as a milestone of post-Cold War cooperation.

"It's very important that they participate," Pentagon spokesman Bob Hall told reporters. "They have a tremendous military capability."

Earlier this week, six C-130 transport planes dropped 38.3 tons of food and medicine over eastern Bosnia, the latest drop to the region of Zepa, Hall said. It is the most direct U.S. intervention so far in the conflict among the warring factions of former Yugoslavia.

NATO Secretary General Manfred Woerner, after a meeting with President Clinton, also welcomed Russia's participation. "I think this is a good signal," Woerner told reporters in the White House driveway. "And from the talks I just had, I know that the new administration sees it the same way."

Woerner said NATO also was playing an active role in the Balkan crisis "and we are prepared to do more if the United Nations gives us a mandate."

Hall pointed out that the Russians have "major interests" in the Balkan region, contending it is significant they participate "in this kind of humanitarian mission, essentially changing as a result of the end of the Cold War as our military has changed."

Defense Secretary Les Aspin, speaking with reporters on Capitol Hill, termed the airdrops a "great success" because they had resulted in the Serbs allowing land convoys to reach isolated regions.

Aspin said the third airdrop, scheduled to take place Tuesday night, might be the last for a while because humanitarian aid was now reaching the region by land.

"What we're trying to do is use the airdrops to leverage freer flow ... through the land convoys. And in that way its been a great success," he said, adding that since the airdrop was announced, relief convoys that had been held up at checkpoints had all been let through.

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Gen. Colin Powell, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, who accompanied Aspin to brief members of Congress, said the Pentagon had confirmed that at least 15 of the 30 drops on the first night of the operation had hit the intended landing zone.

Powell said results from the second night were not yet in. But Aspin said he had received word from the vice president of Bosnia that some of the goods had reached Muslims in the besieged area.

In Moscow, Foreign Minister Andrei Kozyrev said Russia will send military planes to drop humanitarian aid, provided all sides guarantee their safety.

The Russian aircraft might be able to use the Rhein-Main Air Base in Germany, where the U.S. airlift operation is being operated, Kozyrev said.

Clinton issued a statement calling the Russian announcement "an important decision."

"This Russian assistance significantly enhances the efforts of the international community to ensure adequate relief supplies reach the ... population, both by air and by land," Clinton said in a statement read by spokesman George Stephanopoulos.

Kozyrev and Russian President Boris Yeltsin have been harshly criticized by Russian hard-liners over their policy toward the former Yugoslavia; Russian nationalists oppose sanctions against their Orthodox Slav brethren in Serbia.

So far, Russia has supported United Nations sanctions against the former Yugoslavia. But it has warned that it would demand that sanctions on Serbia be lifted unless new sanctions are imposed against Croatia.

The U.S. airdrop, which is being conducted from high altitudes to avoid ground fire, is aimed primarily at hungry Muslims surrounded by Serb fighters.

But the cloud cover, the altitude and night environs — as well as a lack of personnel on the ground to guide the pilots — has made it difficult to assess exactly where the supplies have landed, Hall said.

"It's not a precise art — you are balancing safety and efficiency,' he said. But he argued that Pentagon planners are confident their supplies were dropped where they had been aimed.

Hall, responding to reports from the region that little of the relief supplies appears to be reaching the needy and may even be in the hands of some of the Serbs, said "a lot of disinformation" is being issued by various parties in the region with axes to grind.

Such reports will not discourage the effort from going forward, he added.

"We can accept that some of the supplies don't reach those for whom it's intended. But you can't punish those who need the supplies by stopping," he said.

FYI

The Relocation Program provides support and assistance to soldiers and their family members moving to Fort Benning or to other military installations. Information is available on schools, child care and spouse employment. Call 545-4357 or 545-4149.

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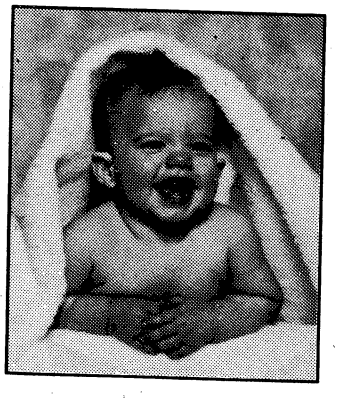
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Lonnie Jackson presents a plaque recently to Kathy Cray in honor of her contributions to the Combined Communities of Southeast Columbus tutorial program.

Cray touts success of tutorial program

By Jerry Rutledge
Leader Editor

Kathy Cray says the Combined Communities of Southeast Columbus tutorial program is one of a kind, unlike any other program she has seen during 10 years of travel as an officer's wife.

Late last month, Lonnie Jackson, founder and coordinator of the CCSC, took the opportunity to tell Cray she was pretty special, too. Jackson and the CCSC presented Cray with a plaque honoring her contributions to the program over the last few years.

The wife of Lt. Col. John Cray, the former commander of the 2nd Battalion (IOBC), 11th Infantry Regiment, she will be leaving Columbus and Fort Benning at the end of the school year for her hometown of Tacoma, Wash., while her husband serves a new assignment in Hanoi, Vietnam.

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"This program is one of the best-kept secrets in Columbus," said Cray. "This area is so fortunate to have a program like this, where school children can get the help they need with their school work. I have not seen another program like this anywhere.

"This is a very important program. Education is something no one can take away from you. Columbus is very, very fortunate to have a program like this. A lot of cities don't have anything that can touch this one."

The CCSC uses volunteer tutors from Fort Benning, Columbus, local high schools, fraternities and sororities to help school-age children with a variety of subjects, including math and the sciences. The children also learn a little foreign culture, including Korean and Russian.

Jackson said Cray has made an invaluable contribution to the CCSC, with her personal help and by encouraging the wives of officers' in IOBC (Infantry Officers Basic Course) to participate in the program.

"She has been a very devoted part of our program," said Jackson. "She comes out every weekend and shares her time and her knowledge with these school children that need help. We can only hope that someone comes along o step in and fill the void she leaves."

Cray, once and forever a teacher, said the CCSC gave her a chance to hone her skills and stay current in the profession. She has not worked as a teacher since her husband's assignment here.

"This was a good opportunity for me to use my teaching skills. Once a teacher, always a teacher," she said. "I got the chance to put my teaching skill to work while giving a little bit back to the community."

IN BRIEF

Seminar to focus on substance abuse

A substance abuse seminar will be held Thursday, March 18, from 8:15 to 11:15 a.m. at the Youth Activities Center, Building 1056.

The seminar, sponsored by the Civilian Counseling Services of the Alcohol and Drug Abuse Prevention and Control Program, will be limited to 100 participants. No costs are involved.

The purpose of the seminar is to provide awareness of substance abuse issues and to describe the impact substance abuse has at work and in the community.

Topics include: substances of abuse, role of Civilian Counseling Services, drunk driving consequences, teen-agers and substance abuse, supervisory intervention and the effect of substance abuse on the family.

Register by calling the Training and Development Division of the Directorate of Civilian Personnel no later than March 15 at 545-5580 or 545-5656.

Registration should be made through unit or activity training coordinators.

SUPPORT GROUP: The Cardiac and Diabetic Support Group will meet 6 p.m. Monday, March 15, at Martin Army Community Hospital, Baugh Conference Room, second floor.

Bowling will be held at the Main PX Bowling Alley on Tuesday, March 9, and Tuesday, March 23, at 5:30 p.m. For information, call Thomas E. Valitzski at (706) 561-3077.

RED CROSS COURSES: The Fort Benning American Red Cross will offer the following courses:

Community CPR, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., March 17; Cost: $20.

Standard First Aid, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., March 18; Cost: $20.

Baby-sitting Course for Youth, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., March 20; Cost: $15.

Junior Lifeguard (10-14 years old), date to be announced.

For information, call 545-5194 or 545-5117.

LA LECHE LEAGUE: Mothers and expectant mothers who wish to breast-feed their babies will find encouragement and information at the Columbus-Fort Benning chapter of La Leche League.

Both morning and evening groups meet the second Tuesday of each month. The next meeting is March 9 from 10 a.m. to noon, and also from 7-8:3 p.m. at St. John United Methodist Church, 6507 Moon Road, on the corner of Moon Road and Weems Road, Columbus. Nursing babies are always welcome.

ARMY EMERGENCY RELIEF: Army Emergency Relief has changed its scheduling procedures for appointments. Appointments can now be made on Friday mornings at 8 a.m. for the upcoming week.

AER hours of operation are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

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FREE TAX HELP: The Fort Benning Tax Office, located on the second floor of Building 2613 in Soldiers' Plaza, offers free tax return preparation of state and federal forms and free electronic filing.

Services are available for soldiers, retirees and family members on a walk-in basis.

Taxpayers should bring with them all the appropriate paperwork, said Jane Winand, chief of the Legal Assistance Division at the Office of the Staff Judge Advocate.

The tax office is being operated by members of SJA and Army Community Services.

For more information, call the office at 545-4267.

FOUNDERS' DAY: The 1993 West Point Founders' Day Dinner will be Saturday with cocktail hour beginning at 6 p.m. at the Fort Benning Officers' Club.

Brig. Gen. Gerry Galloway, dean of the academy's academic board, will be the guest speaker.

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STANDING TALL

Plummer thrives on Army challenges

He helps soldiers keep faith

By Jerry Rutledge
Leader Editor

Col. Roy Plummer says one of the interesting things about being an Army chaplain is the constant challenges. The challenges faced by a minister, who also happens to be a soldier, are very different than those faced by a civilian pastor.

The relatively new chaplain of the U.S. Army Infantry Center at Fort Benning has been thriving on these challenges for better than 20 years now.

"The Army has been everything I expected it to be and more," said Plummer recently. "I did not know at first that the chaplain had such a variety of missions. And those missions are all commensurate with his ability and his professional integrity.

"The interesting thing about chaplains in the Army (is) we represent our church, but the

"Managing personalities and managing chaplains is a vital concern for me because good management means career progression of that chaplain. Poor management means he's dog meat," says Chaplain Plummer.

Army puts the cutting edge to all that we have learned. They train us. They discipline us. And they train us how to provide pastoral care to soldiers and family members. That's our mission.

"The mission of the Army, basically, is to train, to fight, win on the battlefield and to defend our vital interests. The chaplains are called upon to be there and to minister, provide pastoral care, even in combat. So that the soldier maintains his ability to demonstrate his own faith." chaplaincy is what attracted the native Jamaican to the Army. From Jamaica, where his parents still live, Plummer went to England and then California for his education, eventually gravitating South to Atlanta.

In Atlanta, Plummer served as pastor of the Methodist church and attended the Interdenominational Theological Center while working a variety of broadcast jobs. He was watching "The Big Picture" when the

Plummer calls the chaplaincy "the ministry of presence." "He (the chaplain) is there so the soldier is reminded of his responsibility to his creator."

The uniqueness of the Army chaplaincy captured his attention.

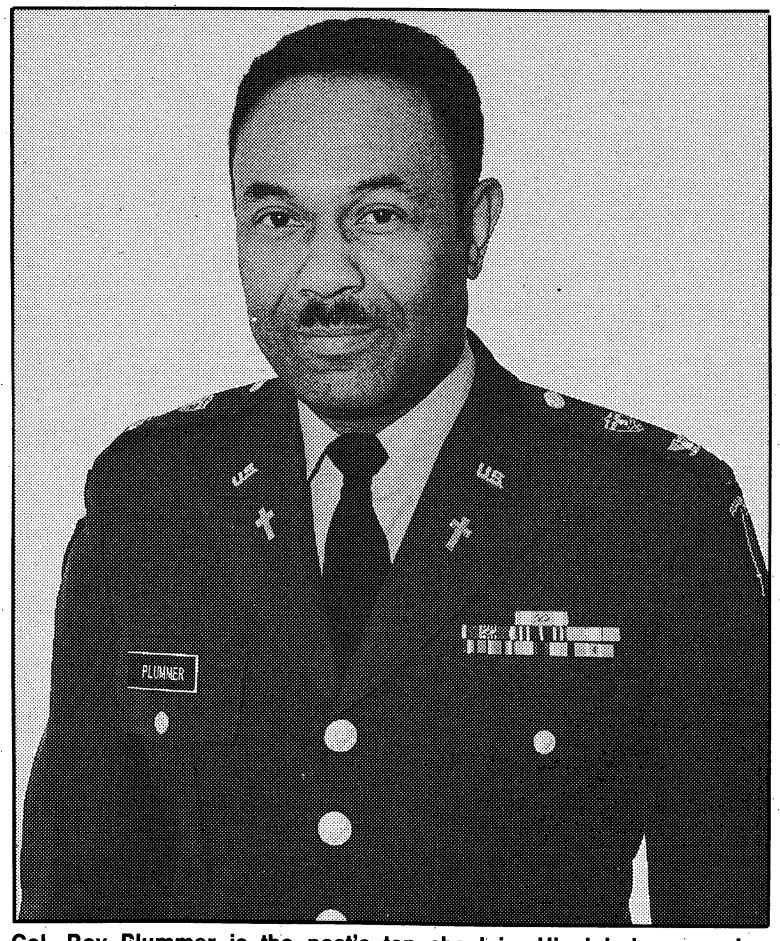
"The Big Picture" was a series of television and radio spots preaching the virtues of various military specialties. At work one morning, Plummer saw a segment on the chaplaincy.

"I watched it and I thought, 'This is interesting. I've never done this before,' " Plummer recalls. "I'd wanted to kind of just venture out. After watching what the chaplain did, I became interested."

He discussed the idea, then decided to follow through with the process. Plummer never regretted the choice. A citizen of Jamaica at the time, he began the process of naturalization, eventually becoming an American in Savannah while stationed at Fort Gordon in Augusta, his first assignment.

Plummer assumed his present position after the retirement of Chaplain George Gudz late last year.

"Here at Fort Benning we have



Col. Roy Plummer is the post's top chaplain. His job is managing more than 40 chaplains and ministering to the needs of the Fort Benning community.

quality chaplains, a lot of young chaplains — first-termers, who are all professionals," Plummer said. "All they need is a little mentoring and leadership and we have the leaders here to do that."

A Unit Ministry Team — a chaplain and a chaplain's assistant — is assigned to every unit. Chaplain's assistants are the "backbone of the ministry," Plummer said.

"They (UMTs) are the ones that provide the cutting edge and the pastoral care wherever soldiers are," said Plummer. "We call upon our UMTs at Fort Benning to do that and we train them. My job is to provide the kind of leadership and to ensure that ever family member, every soldier, every retiree and every essential civilian is afforded the opportunity to practice their faith." Personnel issues, like everywhere in the military these days, is a very complicating problem. Plummer deals with 43-48 chaplains and shifting them from "here to there" to take care of needs is at times very difficult.

Qualifications are a factor.

"I can't take a guy who is not Ranger-qualified and put him in a Ranger unit. He'd be dead in the hole," Plummer said. "You can't take a chaplain who hasn't been to jump school and put him in a jump unit, Airborne; he's dead in the water. Managing personalities and managing chaplains is a vital concern for me because good management means career progression of that chaplain. Poor management means he's dog meat."

Plummer said the key is putting chaplains into areas of responsibility where they can grow — both professionally and spiritually. "I have to make sure that happens," he adds.

The drawdown doesn't make this particular challenge any better. "(Despite) the downsizing of the Army and loss of money, our mission continues," said Plummer. "In other words, we do the same or more with less. We're asked to do that, but EVERYBODY is asked. So we have to become better managers."

Plummer said the comparison between military pastoring and civilian pastoring is "no comparison." The two are vastly different because the factors that affect the effectiveness of each are vastly different.

Plummer explained that "a civilian pastor has headaches that sometimes he can't get rid of. The headaches he has are not headaches to us. We'll get rid of it.

"Our parish is more disciplined in terms of leadership. A civilian pastor may find it difficult to say certain things because of fear of losing his job," he said. "The Army empowers chaplains. He's responsible for ministry. We minister to soldiers in a more disciplined environment."

Plummer will be preaching at the Sightseeing Road Chapel for the next month, stepping in for the retiring Chaplain Cox.

ISSUES

Marine admits fabricating stories of Somalia duty

From wire reports

FLORENCE, Ala. — A Marine who spun colorful tales of being shot in Somalia admitted making up his war stories and buying his own medals after his hometown paper ran a story about him.

Bryan Barrett, 19, told his family and the TimesDaily newspaper he had helped deliver food to starving people in the African nation, and was even up for a Purple Heart after being wounded in the hip.

In reality, Barrett was assigned to a desk job overseeing deliveries of household goods in Okinawa, Japan.

Barrett, home on leave this month, said he knew he would be punished for his lies when he returns to duty at Quantico, Va.

"But that's the price I've got to take for doing what I did," he said.

The TimesDaily published a story Saturday in which Barrett admitted his deception. The article came two days after the paper ran another piece in which Barrett talked about his supposed Somalian duty.

The tale came unraveled when Barrett's Marine recruiter read the initial story. Sgt. Ronald Seymour checked service records and informed the newspaper that Barrett's story was bogus.

"This is not the way we teach Marines," said Seymour. "We instill honesty and integrity. I don't know what's going on with this young man."

Barrett said he had volunteered for service in the U.S. relief effort in Somalia but was not chosen. However, he had told his parents he might be going to Africa before he got the answer.

"I felt like my whole reason for joining the Marines had been blown away. I felt like I let my own expectations down," said Barrett.

The Marine's father, Steve Barrett, said his son "just felt like a loser."

"He wanted to be in on the action," said the elder Barrett, pastor of Shoals Church of Christ in nearby Muscle Shoals.

The serviceman's story went past simply serving and being shot in Somalia. He also told the paper he was leaving next month to begin training as a guard at a U.S. embassy, and he had numerous medals pinned to his uniform in a newspaper photo.

Barrett admitted he was not really going to be an embassy guard, and that the Virginia base was his next assignment. He also said that while he had earned four medals, he bought two more.

"You can get them at any PX," he said.

AT EASE

Play takes Southern Gothic walk down 'Lonely Street'

From staff reports

The Human Experience Theater, 1037 Broadway, will present Atlanta playwright Sandra Deer's "So Long on Lonely Street" tonight and Saturday. The play runs Friday-Saturday through March 27.

"We are thrilled to be offering 'So Long on Lonely Street' to Columbus and the Valley," said T.H.E. Theater artistic director Stephen R. Sisson. "This play is *pure* Southern Gothic — it runs the gamut from family skeletons yanked out of their closets to sheer unbridled greed masked by religious hypocrisy . . . and it's a comedy."

"So Long on Lonely Street" premiered at Atlanta's Alliance Theater in 1990. After an extended run, the show moved to New York and settled in for a significant Broadway run.

One of the first nonprofessional productions was staged by Jim Crisp at Theater Macon. "We performed the last show to a packed audience," said Sisson who was in that production. "Little did any of us realize that the lady with the short, blonde hair seated on the front row was the playwright."

Sisson has combined a cast of new and familiar faces. Newcomers are Felecia Walker, who plays the spunky Annabelle Lee, Diane Fitzgerald as the recently deceased Aunt Pearl Vaughnum and Robbie Cotney, playing twin brother Raymond. They are making their T.H.E. Theater debuts.

Last in seen in Columbus College's "The Late Christopher Bean," Stacey Cunningham and John Pomery also make their T.H.E. Theater debuts. Cunningham plays Cotney's twin sister Ruth. Pomery is her jilted beau Bobby Stack.

Completing the cast are Ruth Ann Dooling and Sisson as the "Jim and Tammy Faye Bakeresque" Clairice and King Vaughnum.

The play begins just a few days after the death of crotchety Aunt Pearl, which forces a rather unconventional family to reunite. Ruth is trying to forget her past in Sparta and Annabelle Lee is begging her to move back into the family home.

Brother Raymond flies in from New York City, where he portrays the dashing Chance Rodney on the popular soap opera "All Our Yesterdays," and works throughout the play to help keep things "all in the family."

King has plans to tear the place down and start over, while pregnant wife, Clairice focuses her attention on soap star cousin Raymond. Attorney Bobby steps in to read the will and wants to step down the aisle with Ruth.

The fun begins as the Vaughnum family begins to fight it out over the family treasures.

Tickets are $8; $6 for senior adults, students and military. Group discounts are available for groups of 10 or more.

For more information, call 323-3689.

At the movies

Listings for March 5-11

TODAY

The Last of the Mohicans (R) 7 p.m., Sand Hill

Forever Young (PG) 7 p.m., Main Post

Aspen Extreme (PG-13) 9 p.m., Main Post

SATURDAY

Toys (PG-13) 2 p.m., Sand Hill

Home Alone 2 (PG) 2 p.m., Main Post

Traces of Red (R) 6:30 p.m., Sand Hill

Jennifer 8 (R) 7 p.m., Main Post

Hoffa (R) 10 p.m., Main Post

SUNDAY

Trespass (R) 2 p.m., Sand Hill

Home Alone 2 (PG) 2 p.m., Main Post

Under Siege (R) 4 p.m., Sand Hill

Hoffa (R) 7 p.m., Main Post

MONDAY

Jennifer 8 (R) 7 p.m., Main Post

TUESDAY

Home Alone 2 (PG) 7 p.m., Main Post

WEDNESDAY

Hoffa (R) 7 p.m., Main Post

THURSDAY

Jennifer 8 (R) 7 p.m., Main Post

Callaway Gardens will give a hoot

Callaway Gardens will be the site of a fun-filled workshop about the life and lore of owls March 14. One of Callaway's interpretive naturalists, LuAnn Craighton, will lead the class in a lecture/discussion of these birds of prey.

The workshop, from 2-3 p.m., will include a live owl.

It's free, but you must pay Gardens admission of $7.50; $1.50 for children 6-11.

Pre-registration is required. For more information, call (706) 663-5153.

FYI

Martin Army Community Hospital provides on-post ambulance service for emergencies. Call 544-3911.

Walters to interview Garth, Denzel

From wire reports

ABC's Barbara Walters has snagged country star Garth Brooks, Academy Award nominee Denzel Washington ("Malcolm X") and actress Sharon Stone for her 12th annual Oscar-night special, to air at 8 p.m. March 29.

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Tom Bosley, Adrienne Barbeau and 11-year-old newcomer Christopher Miranda will star in an "ABC Weekend Special" production of William Saroyan's "The Parsley Garden" at 12:30 p.m. on March 27. James Earl Jones narrates the special; Saroyan's nephew, Hank Saroyan, wrote the screenplay and directs.

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Lee Mazzilli, the hunky former outfielder for the Mets (also the Yankees), who's now an actor — he played the lead in Off-Broadway's "Tony n' Tina's Wedding" — has found a possible way to combine both his careers. He's being considered for a regular role in "A League of Their Own," a new series now being filmed for CBS. The series, need we tell you, spins off last summer's hit film of the same name. Penny Marshall, who directed the film, is doing the same for the series, set to air next month.

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NBC News announced that it will be starting up a 24-hour Spanish-language news service. The service will originate from Charlotte, N.C., beginning March 15. Canal de Noticias NBC (the NBC News Channel) will be targeted to Latin America. The broadcast will be entirely in Spanish and rely on existing bureaus and stringers throughout Latin America. Mexico's Multivision, representing 500,000 cable homes, has already signed on.

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Two-time gold-medal skater Katarina Witt will serve as an analyst on NBC's coverage of the 1993 World Figure Skating Championships March 12-14. Witt's sportscasting career began on CBS during the 1992 Winter Games from Albertville, France.

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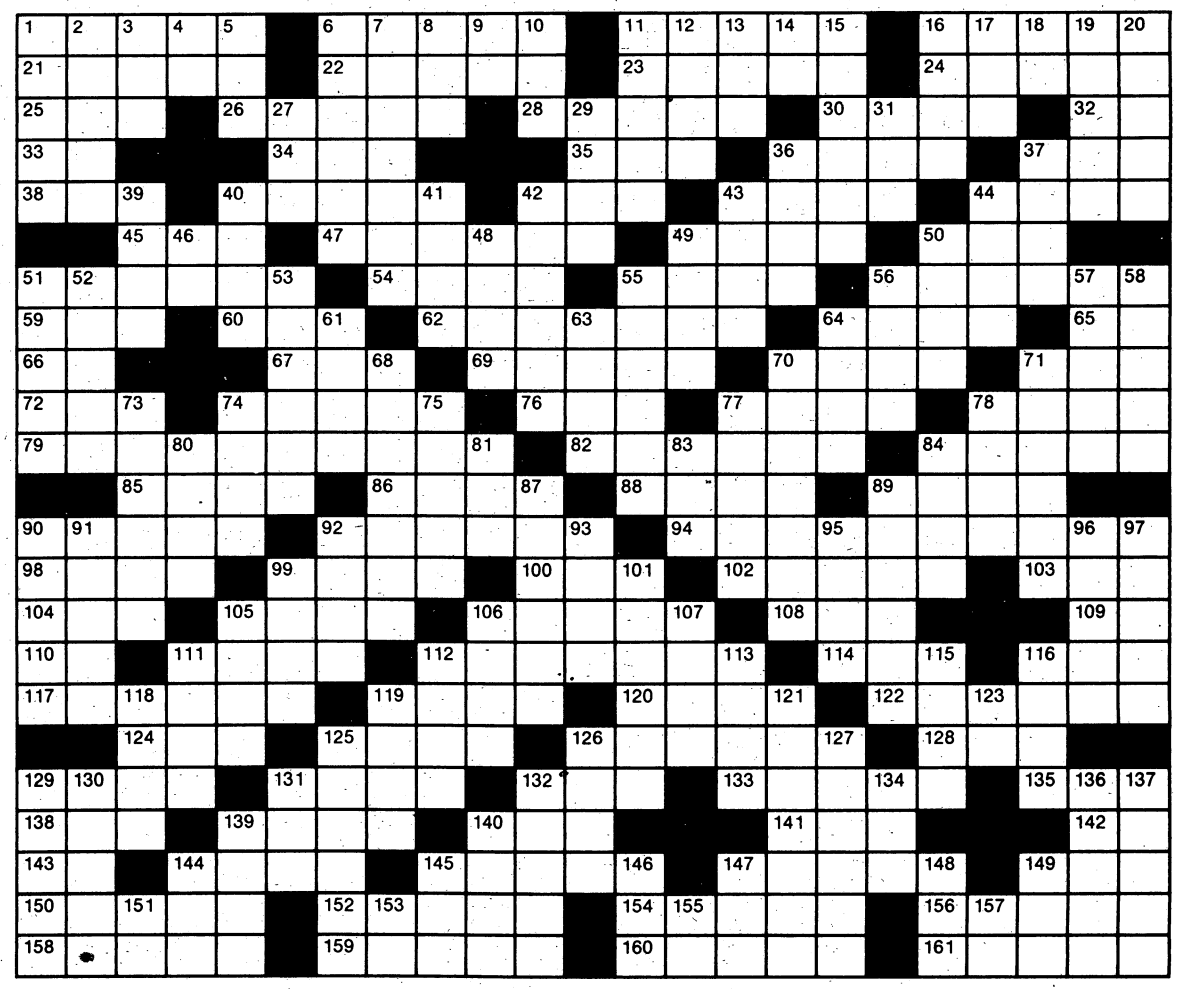

Crossword puzzle answer on Page 24

ACROSS

1 The Joker, for one
6 Suit in cards
11 Waltz
16 Footwear
21 Essence
22 Choir voice
23 Peculiar expression
24 Dress protector
25 Chinese pagoda
26 Give up
28 Competitor
30 Morays
32 Tantalum symbol
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34 Everyone
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36 Urge on
37 Tibetan ox
38 Caustic substance
40 Joints
42 Lair
43 Containers
44 TV's Della Street
45 Exist
47 Accumulates
49 Gypsy — Lee
50 "Love & —"
51 Acapulco shawl
54 Strike
55 — man
56 Prison official
59 Hostelry
60 Three: prefix
62 Fabulous monsters
64 Wedding ring
65 Behold!
66 Note of scale
67 Wine cup
69 Muse of poetry
70 Animal coat
71 Garfield, for one
72 Devoured
74 Japanese volcano
76 Small bird
77 Russian mountains
78 Horse's neck hair
79 Colony
82 Sway
84 Twists
85 Chief
86 Disturbance
88 Post
89 River in Siberia
90 Twirls
92 Strainer
94 Trite remarks
98 Diplomacy
99 Countenance
100 Crimson
102 Babylonian hero
103 Emmet
104 Abstract being
105 Facts
106 Renovate
108 Unit of energy
109 Compass point
110 Concerning
111 Mud
112 Liquor
114 Spread for drying
116 Petition
117 High regard
119 Carry on
120 — dreams
122 Showered
124 Goal
125 Suits
126 Distance measures
128 "Scooby —"
129 Flock
131 Corned beef —
132 On behalf of
133 Thick
135 "— Stop"
138 Limb
139 Sprint
140 Meadow
141 Cry like a dove
142 Bible bk.
143 As far as
144 Orient
145 Climbing plant
147 Shoulder wrap
149 Fuss
150 Enlighten
152 Choose
154 Pass swiftly over
156 "Lucky" number
158 Depressions
159 Is borne
160 Pays attention
161 Look fixedly

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1 Deadly
2 Rome's country
3 Airline info
4 Sodium symbol
5 Arid
6 Gravestones
7 Pills
8 In addition
9 Fulfill
10 Do wrong
11 Couch
12 Furniture style
13 Nothing
14 TV's Archie Bunker: inits.
15 Come into view
16 Hairless
17 Harvest goddess
18 Alternative word
19 "— Recall"
20 Cobra or rattler
27 Singer Janis —
29 Roman date
31 Dawn goddess
36 Time gone by
37 Three feet
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40 Retained
41 Auction word
42 Leave
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44 Difficult
46 Sun god
48 Steak order
49 Nevada city
50 Need
51 "— Marner"
52 Growing out of
53 Expunged
55 Underside
56 "— Street"
57 African antelope
58 Memoranda
61 Mohammedan priest
63 Manner of running
64 Chicago player
68 "Air —"
70 Church dignitary
71 Country of North America
73 Science of moral duty
74 Word of sorrow
75 Old womanish
77 Useful
78 Bill of fare
80 Portable shelter
81 Small child
83 Hit lightly
84 Greek letter
87 Cylindrical
89 Delay; tarry
90 Cubic meter
91 Sheets of glass
92 Doom
93 Lease
95 Sour
96 Follow
97 Spirited horse
99 Cultivated land
101 More profound
105 Expired
106 Outfits
107 Court order
111 Repair
112 A washing
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116 Supercilious person
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119 Fond desire
121 Built
123 Maiden loved by Zeus
125 Swifter
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130 Wear away
131 Possesses
132 Accomplishments
134 The sun
136 Beneath
137 "Basic Instinct" star
139 "Happy —"
140 Tiny insects
144 Newt
145 Conducted
146 Hard-wood tree
147 Diocese
148 Kind of curve
149 Actress Gardner
151 "— Living Color"
153 Roman 51
155 You and I
157 Latin conjunction

'Falling Down' debuts at No. 1

From wire reports

LOS ANGELES — "Falling Down," starring Michael Douglas as a laid-off aerospace worker who goes berserk, opened at No. 1 at the box office.

The movie made $8.7 million over the weekend, bumping the Bill Murray comedy "Groundhog" to second place, Exhibitor Relations Co. said Monday.

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"Howards End," which got nine Oscar nominations *last* month, was No. 15 with $795,323, despite coming out nearly a year ago.

Among new movies, the gritty bordertown drama "El Mariachi," made on a shoestring budget of $7,000 by 24-year-old film student Robert Rodriguez, made $312,528 in a limited premiere.

Here are the estimated top ticket sales Friday through Sunday, according to Exhibitor Relations, with distributor, weekend gross, number of theater locations, average per location, total gross and number of weeks in release.

1. "Falling Down," Warner Bros., $8.7 million, 1,220 locations, $7,151 per location, $8.7 million, one week.

2. "Groundhog Day," Columbia, $7.6 million, 1,742 locations, $4,367 per location, $36.4 million, three weeks.

3. "Homeward Bound," Disney, $5.9 million, 1,798 locations, $3,309 per location, $23.6 million, four weeks.

4. "The Crying Game," Miramax, $4.9 million, 985 locations, $4,992 per location, $28 million, 14 weeks.

5. "Sommersby," Warner Bros., $4.1 million, 1,762 locations, $2,351 per location, $33.5 million, four weeks.

6. "Aladdin," Disney, $3.9 million, 1,717 locations, $2,259 per location, $184.2 million, 16 weeks.

7. "Untamed Heart," MGM, $2.6 million, 1,123 locations, $2,331 per location, $11.1 million, three weeks.

8. "Scent of a Woman," Universal, $2.5 million, 1,248 locations, $1,995 per location, $45 million, 10 weeks.

9. "Army of Darkness," Universal, $2.3 million, 1,391 locations, $1,635 per location, $7.8 million, two weeks.

10. "A Few Good Men," Columbia, $1.9 million, 1,278 locations, $1,504 per location, $129.5 million, 12 weeks.

11. "National Lampoon's Loaded Weapon," New Line, $1.8 million, 1,636 locations, $1,108 per location, $23.8 million, four weeks.

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BENNING TROOPS IN SOMALIA

Good news: Some are coming home

A Somali Liberation Army soldier, left, and an American GI shake hands on a bridge built by the 36th Engineer Group south of Jilib, near Kismayu. Completion of two bridges like this in the area were credited by the Army with helping reopen street markets in Jilib.

By Jerry Rutledge and Clint Claybrook
Staff Writers

There's good news and some not-so-good news for friends and family of Fort Benning's 36th Engineer Group soldiers in Somalia. Some of the soldiers may be returning as early as next week. Others, however, are not scheduled for redeployment until mid-to-late May.

That was the word from Col. Philip Anderson, the group commander, in a telephone call from Mogadishu last week, the most recent first-hand report on the group's mission and hopes for returning home soon.

Anderson said 100 to 300 troops at a time could begin arriving back home as early as March 9, or as late as March 31, depending on any follow-up missions, the availability of aircraft and space available on those aircraft.

Fort Benning spokeswoman Monica Manganaro said Tuesday that there's been no new word on redeployment since that telephone interview with Anderson. Some troops, including the 63rd Combat Support Equipment Company and a platoon of the 608th Ordnance Company, will be working on a 120-day rotation cycle, with their redeployment tentatively scheduled for mid-to-late May, Anderson said.

Whenever the troops come home, their families and friends should be treated to an amazing spectacle by way of video tapes and still photographs, like those brought home by local television and newspaper reporters after they spent part of two weeks with the troops in late January and early February.

There will likely be pictures of stick-figure children

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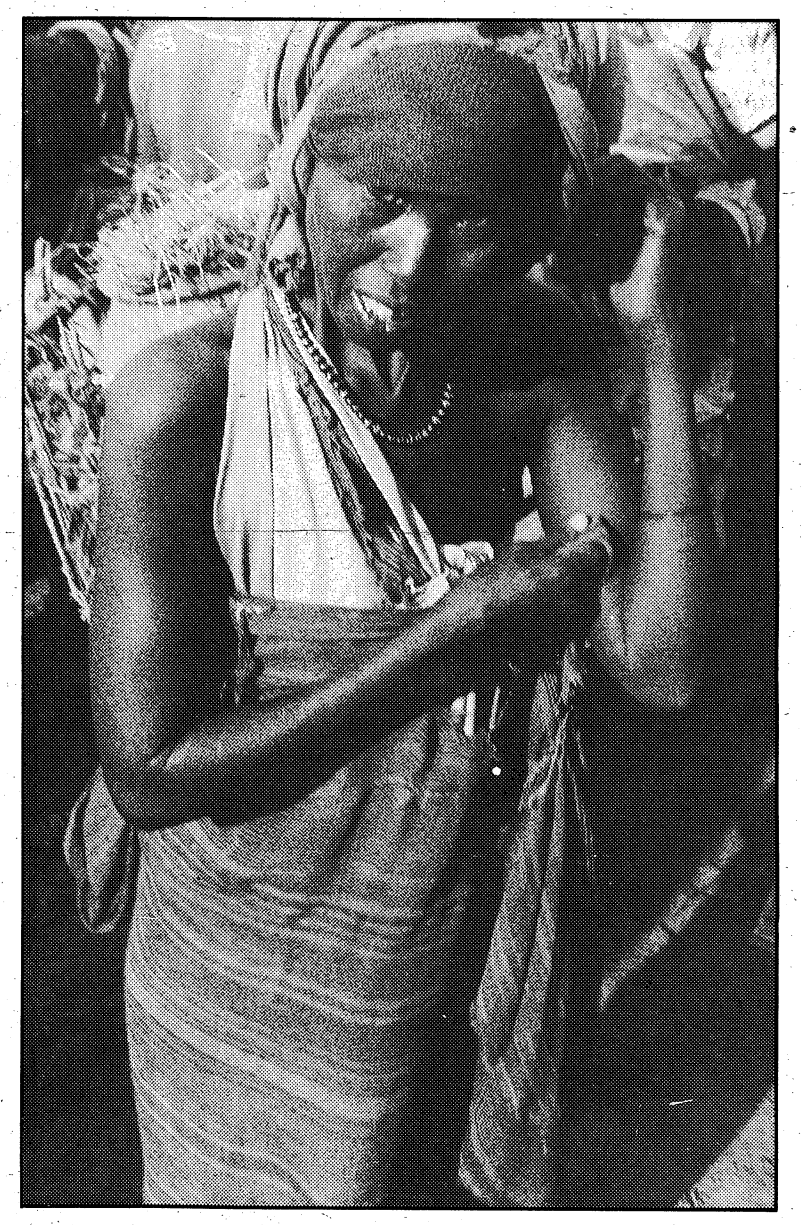

A Somali woman, heavily laden with a load of firewood, makes her way through Mogadishu.

BENNING TROOPS IN SOMALIA

Bad news: Others staying until May

Engineers in Somalia

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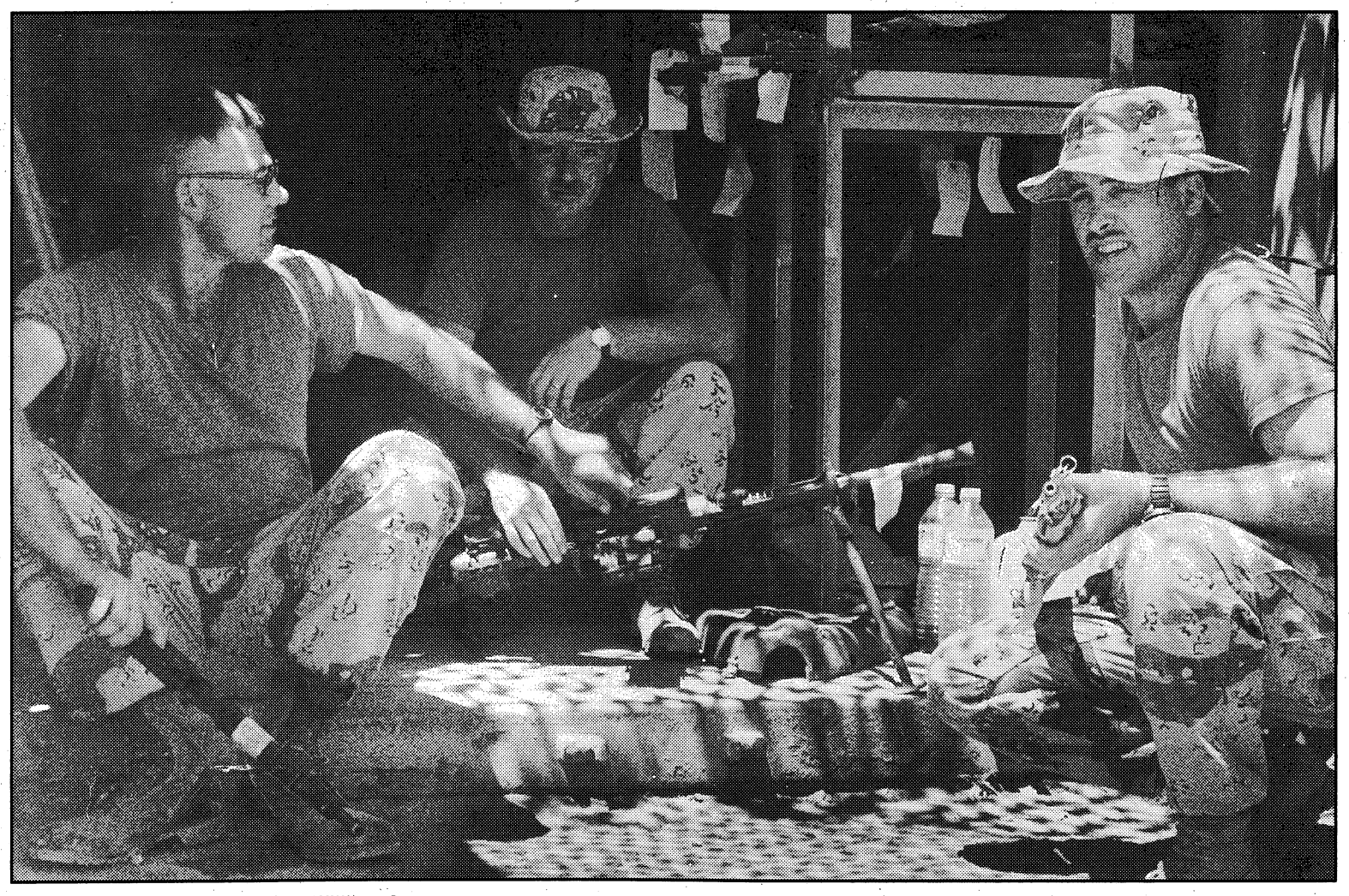
recuperating from near-starvation at orphanages in Jilib and Baidoa, baboons at play in the green, plush valley of the Jubba River, caravans of camels and women loaded down with stacks of firewood on their backs, plodding down roads rebuilt by the 36th Engineers, while their husbands stroll along in front with their walking sticks.

Other scenes, perhaps captured on videotape, will show the bright colors of Somali dress, maybe even a lion slipping off into deep cover near a road from Mogadishu to Jilib, and maybe the angry groups of demonstrators around the former U.S. embassy in Mogadishu, where some of the recent shooting incidents have occurred.

Part of the good news for Fort Benning and Columbus families is, Anderson said, that none of the shooting incidents has involved his troops, although his soldiers have lost some windshields to crowds throwing rocks.

Photos on these pages were captured by Ledger-Enquirer Reporter Clint Claybrook during his visit with the 36th Engineer Group in Somalia.



Sgt. Robert McNeely, Staff Sgt. William Sealey and Lt. Brian Clubb, members of the 608th Ordnance Company, display some of the weapons turned in by or impounded from Somalis in the Mogadishu area. Clubb is leader of the 608th platoon in Somalia.

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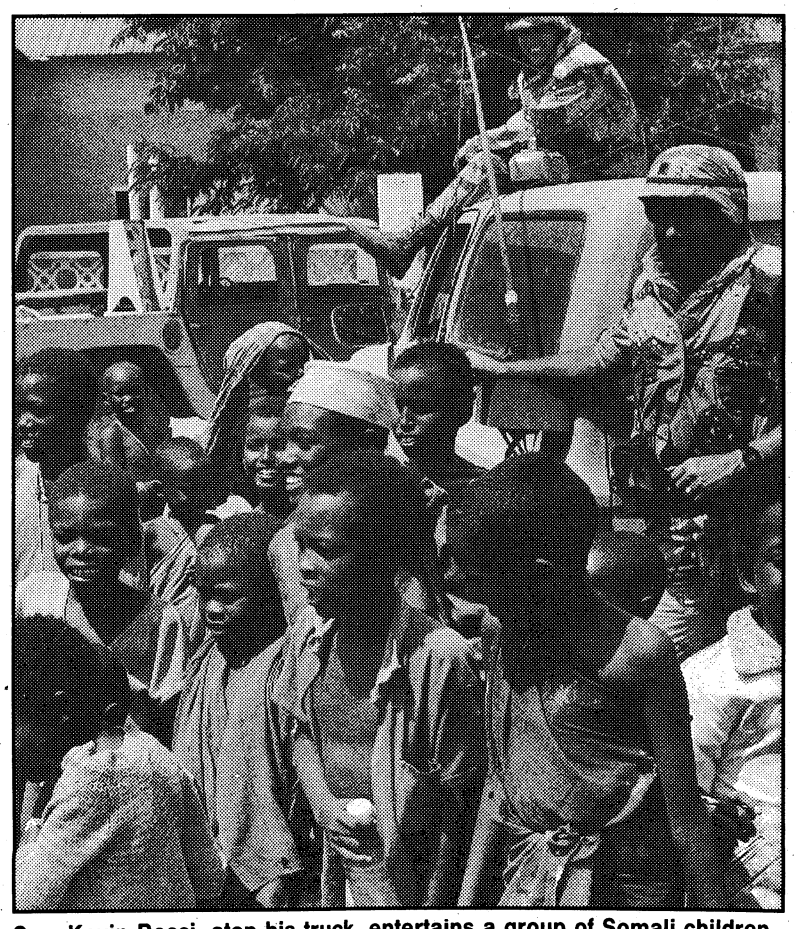
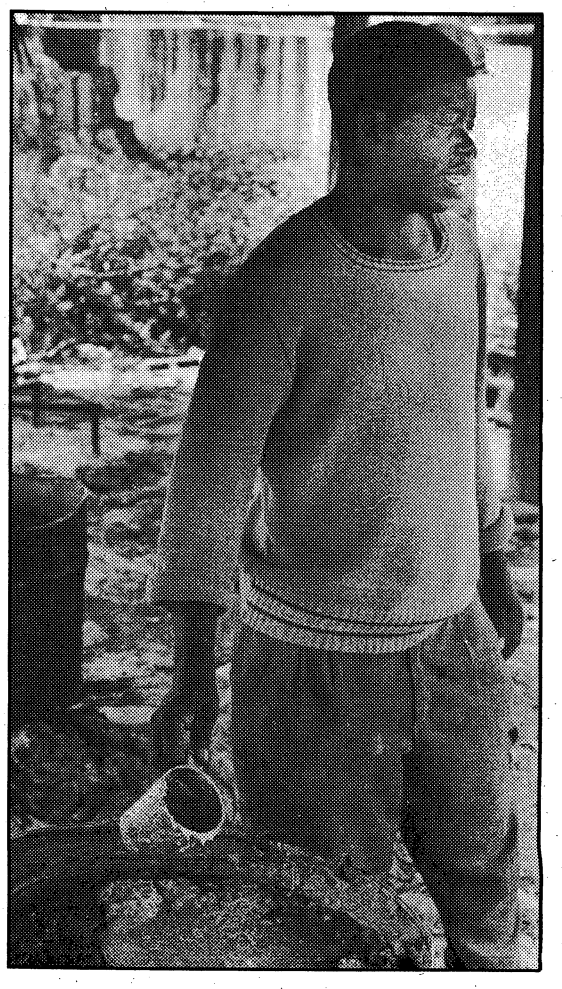
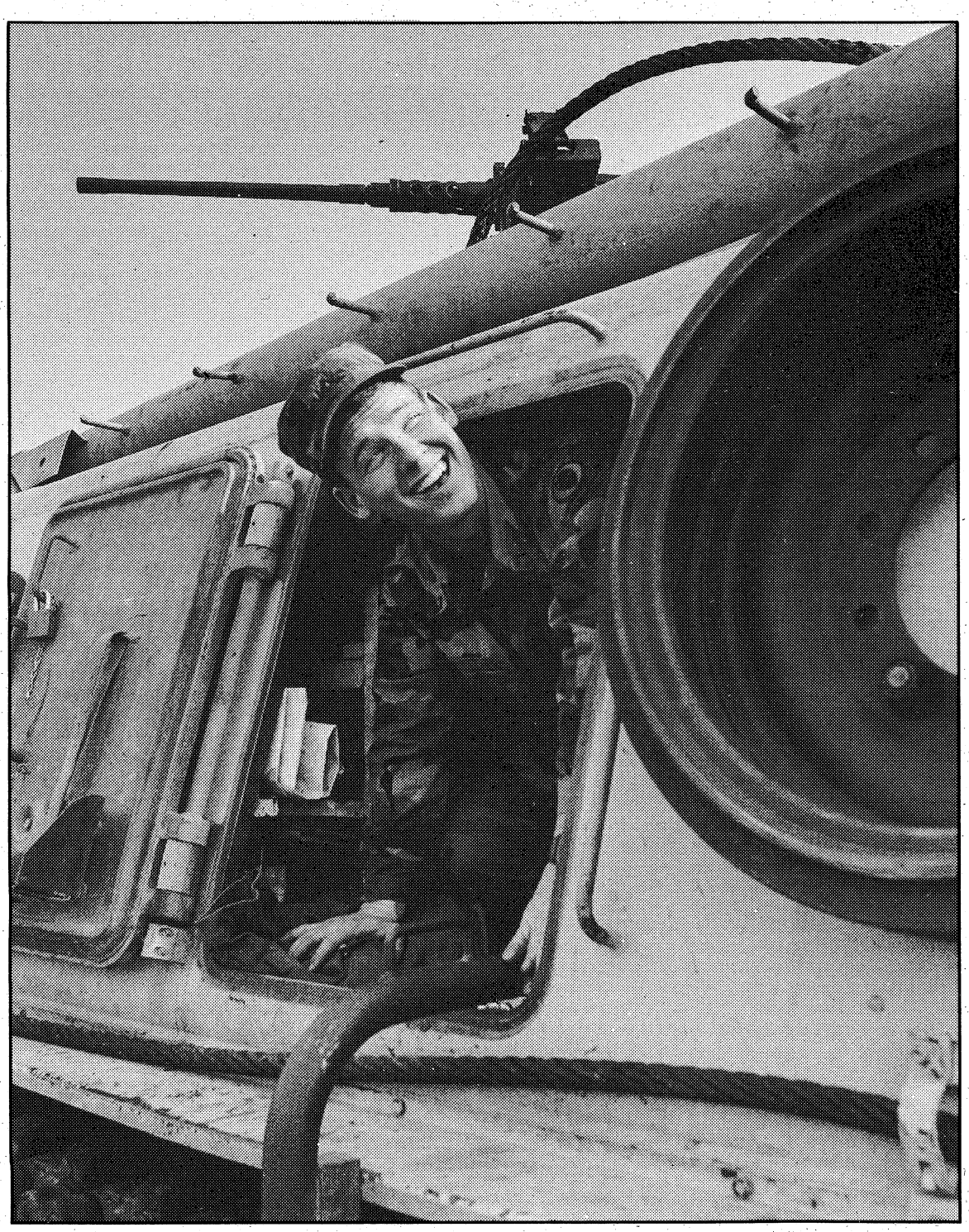


Spc. Kevin Rocci, atop his truck, entertains a group of Somali children at a religious training center near Jilib, Somalia, with his radio.

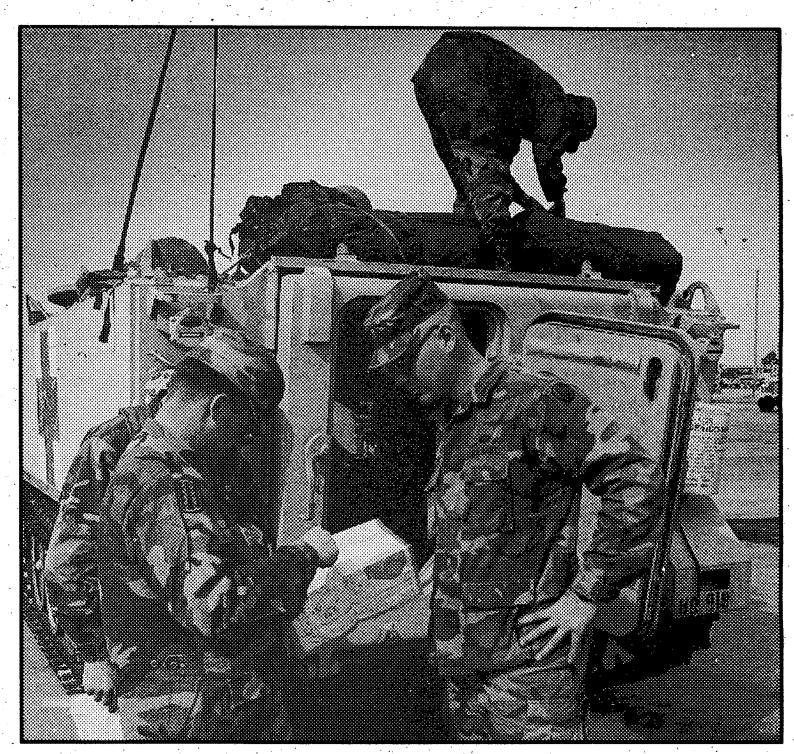


A worker at an orphanage in Jilib prepares the evening meal — a simple porridge of grain sorghum boiled in a cut-off 55-gallon drum — for about 40 youngsters.

COVER STORY



Pvt. Benjamin Pletcher of 2nd Battalion, 69th Armor, appears to be happy about heading off for Victory Focus in a tank recovery vehicle.



Capt. Geoffrey Warr and Lt. Michael Eggleston check out the route into the Fort Benning boondocks.

Troops move out to boondocks for Victory Focus

By Clint Claybrook
Staff Writer

Some 5,000 soldiers are involved in "Victory Focus," a 3rd Brigade, 24th Infantry Division training exercise that will be going on through March 23 at Fort Benning.

The exercise involves the 3rd Brigade's 1st Battalion, 18th Infantry; 2nd Battalion, 18th Infantry; 4th Battalion, 41st Field Artillery; 2nd Battalion, 69th Armor; 324th Forward Support Battalion, all from Fort Benning, along with units from Fort Stewart, Ga., Fort Drum, N.Y., and Fort Bragg, N.C.

Some of the units involved in Victory Focus left their home at Kelley Hill for outlying ranges on post as early as Feb. 26, with others following as late as Monday, said Fort Benning spokesman Al Blanchard.

The exercise is designed to prepare units of the 3rd Brigade Combat Team for their visit to the National Training Center at Fort Irwin, Calif., in April and May.

The training is scheduled to include force-on-force exercises, combined arms live-fire exercises and tank and Bradley Fighting Vehicle platoon live-fire operations. It will also include air defense exercises involving the Vulcan, Avenger and Stinger anti-aircraft weapons systems.

Photos by Joe Maher

About the cover

An M1 Abrams tank splashes and sloshes its way through Ochillee Creek en route to the Victory Focus training area. It is one of 38 Abrams tanks involved in the training exercise, which is aimed at preparing the 3rd Brigade Combat Team for its rotation at the National Training Center at Fort Irwin, Calif., in April and May.

The cover photo and the photos on this page were taken by Joe Maher.

A 2/69th Armor tank wades a stream en route to the Victory Focus training area.

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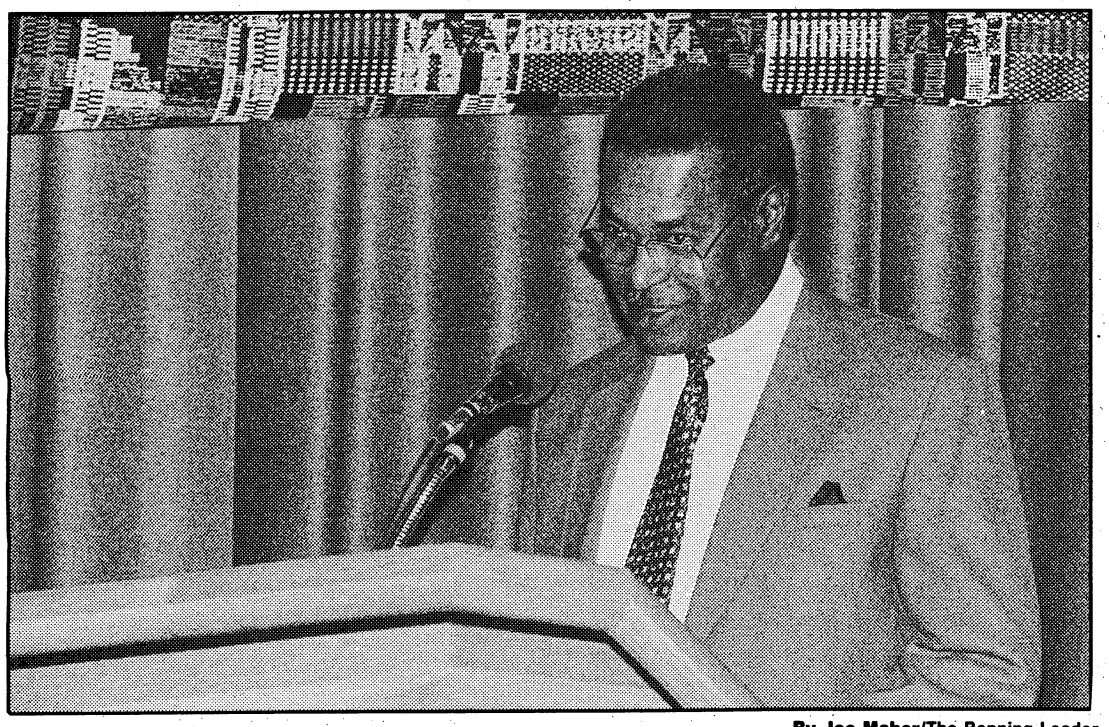
Black History tribute



By Joe Maher/The Benning Leader

Dr. John L. Rhodes, a professor of history at Fort Valley State College, presented the keynote address during the Black History Month tribute held in Marshall Auditorium at Fort Benning's Infantry Hall last week. Rhodes' address centered on the role and contribution of the buffalo soldier in American history. A&M Records recording artist Vesta also spoke and performed at the tribute.

Lieutenant takes home the Patterson Award

Second Lt. Mark A. Jackson was named the recipient of the 41st annual Robert P. Patterson Memorial Award during a ceremony Feb. 12 at Wigle Hall.

Jackson, 34, who graduated from Officer Candidate School in June, was selected as the outstanding infantry graduate of Officer Candidate School during the previous year. It is based on qualities of leadership, academic effectiveness, aptitude and character.

Patterson, for whom the award is named, served as a captain in the U.S. Army during World War I. His battlefield exploits earned him the Distinguished Service Cross, Silver Star and Purple Heart. He later served as judge of the U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals and as secretary of war in the President Harry Truman administration.

When he died in 1952, a trust fund for the award was established with monetary contributions from several friends.

Prior to entering OCS, Jackson was the noncommissioned officer in charge of Fort Benning's exhibition parachute team, the Silver Wings. He is currently serving as a rifle platoon leader with the 2nd Battalion, 325th Infantry, 82nd Airborne Division, Fort Bragg, N.C.

Jackson entered the Army in October 1982. His first assignment, after completion of initial entry infantry training and the Basic Airborne Course, was to A Company, 2nd Battalion (Airborne), 187th Infantry at Fort Kobbe, Panama. He later served with the 1st Battalion (Airborne), 507th Infantry at Fort Benning, as an airborne instructor.

Jackson graduated from Garfield High School in Woodbridge, Va., and Troy State University at Fort Benning, where he achieved a 4.0 grade point average.

He was named to the commandants list upon graduating from the Primary Leadership Development Course and was honor graduate of the Jumpmaster Course at Fort Sherman, Panama. He was the distinguished honor graduate of the Officer Candidate Course and the honor graduate of the Infantry Officer Basic Course at Fort Benning.

His military awards and decorations include the Meritorious Service Medal, Army Commendation Medal with oak leaf cluster, Army Achievement Medal with oak leaf cluster, two awards of the NCO Professional Development Ribbon, three awards of the Good Conduct Medal, Expert Infantryman Badge, Ranger Tab, Master Parachutist Badge, Pathfinder Badge, and Honduran, Brazilian, Ecuadorean and Panamanian Parachute Badges.

The lieutenant and his wife, Xenia, and their two sons, reside in Fayetteville, N.C.

15 Benning troops returning from Kuwait

From staff reports

Fifteen Fort Benning soldiers were scheduled to return from Kuwait today after spending about six months there in an ongoing training exercise.

The soldiers are from the 498th Air Ambulance Company, and were in the Middle East to provide medical evacuation support during Exercise Intrinsic Action which was intended to demonstrate continued U.S. commitment to the security and stability in the Persian Gulf. The exercise tested procedures for contingency operations in the region, according to the Army.

The soldiers, several of them veterans of Desert Shield/Desert Storm, were scheduled to arrive at Lawson Army Airfield at 6 p.m.

Rangers to honor fallen comrade

From staff reports

The Army Rangers' demonstration area at Victory Pond on Fort Benning will be renamed next week in honor of the late Sgt. Maj. Patrick R. Hurley, who lost his life during Desert Storm while returning from a special operations mission.

Hurley, a native of Salem, Mo., was from 1985-1987 the first sergeant of C Company, 3rd Battalion, 75th Ranger REgiment at Fort Benning. He participated in numerous overseas operations including Operation Desert One, the failed attempt during the administration of President Jimmy Carter to rescue American hostages from Iran.

A second-generation Ranger, Hurley was attached to a Special Forces unit at Fort Bragg when he was killed during Desert Storm, the Army said. His father served with the 2nd Ranger Battalion during World War II.

The dedication ceremony is scheduled for 11 a.m. March 12. Col. Jerry Boykin of the U.S. Army Special Operations Command will be the speaker, the Army said.

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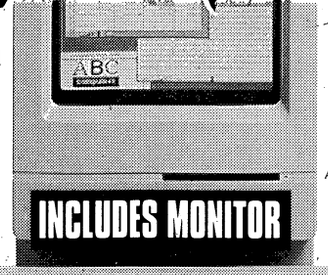

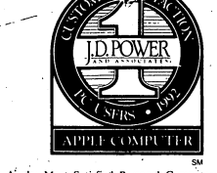

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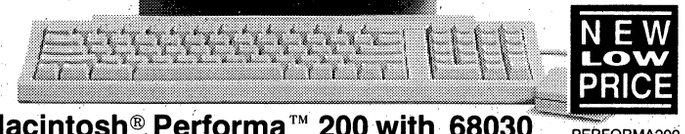

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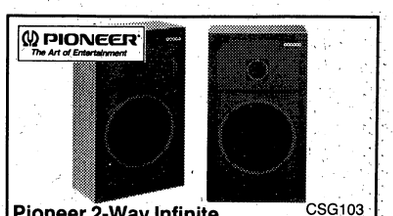

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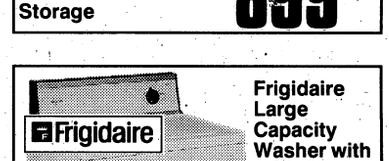

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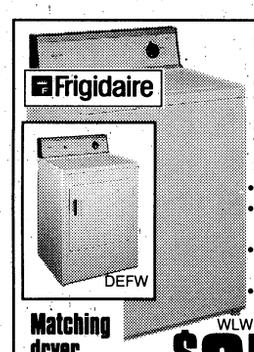

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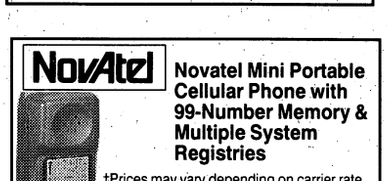

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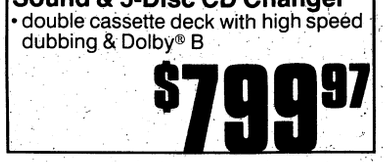

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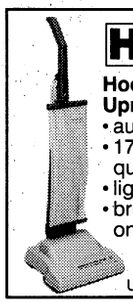

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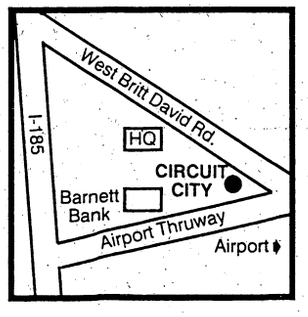

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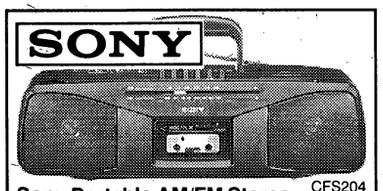

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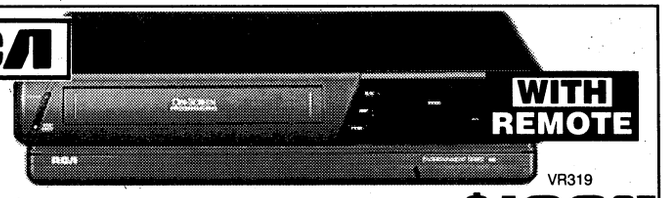

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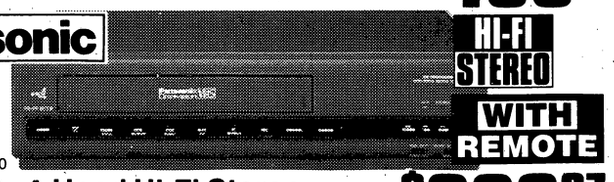

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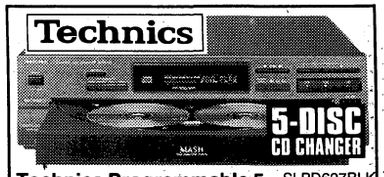

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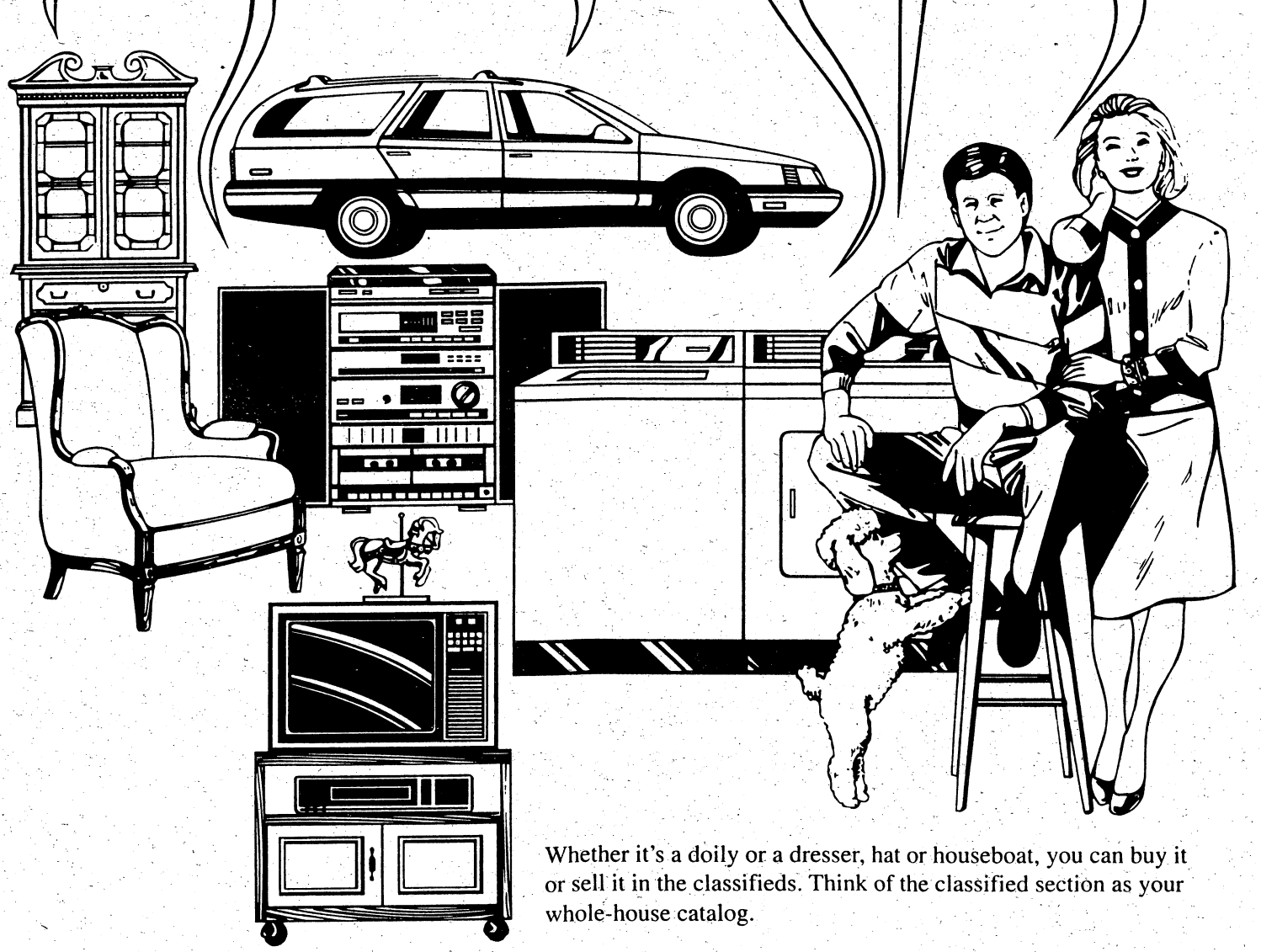

Whether it's a doily or a dresser, hat or houseboat, you can buy it or sell it in the classifieds. Think of the classified section as your whole-house catalog.

Columbus Ledger-Enquirer

COMMENTARY

AUSA sub-chapters provide cohesiveness

As discussed in the column last week, the Chattahoochee Valley-Fort Benning Chapter of AUSA has a sub-chapter structure organized around host major commands assigned to the post. The AUSA membership of the sub-chapters consists of assigned military, assigned Department of the Army civilians, and apportioned local community civilian and corporate members. Community and corporate members are assigned sub-chapter membership based on the ZIP code address of their home or business as reflected in their membership application.

Ben Register

Individual civilian or corporate members who have prior service with or special interest in a specific major command may be assigned to that sub-chapter by request. The important issue is the active interest and interface of members with the sub-chapter and its activities.

Each sub-chapter appoints or elects a vice president and secretary. The sub-chapter vice president also serves on the Chapter Executive Committee.

In addition to the chapter programs, meetings and activities, the sub-chapters conduct their own meetings and plan programs, social events, and corporate member events. Also, they implement the AUSA awards program at sub-chapter level by determining award eligibility, award recommendations and arranging for the presentation of AUSA awards in the major organization.

The great benefit of the sub-chapter organizations is that AUSA support is brought to the organizational level and closer to the soldier. For the soldier it means that they can join AUSA in the unit where they serve. As a chapter we have profited, since the tri-community has been brought closer together through AUSA, as well as AUSA gaining exceptional leadership from the sub-chapter officers and non-commissioned officers. The potential benefits for the soldier and the tri-community are great and planned initiatives by the sub-chapters and the business community are commendable.

The sub-chapter names, major command organization and Zip Code area of membership assignment are as follows:

Follow Me (11th Inf. Regiment) 31901, 31902

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Pioneers (29th Inf. Regiment) 31906

Sua Sponte (75th Ranger Regiment) 31905, 31820, 31821, 31825

Sea Horse (36th Engineer Gp.) 31904

Ranger Tng. Bde. (Ranger Tng. Bde.) 36867, 36868

Victory (Infantry Tng. Center) 31903

AMEDD (MEDDAC, DENTAC, Veteran Svc. Community, Health Service) 31908, 31909

School of the Americas (School of the Americas) 31905

All corporate and individual civilian members should note the above organizations and associated Zip Codes for future announcements regarding sub-chapter activities

WINTER GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

The Winter General Membership meeting held at the Fort Benning Officers Open Mess on Feb. 18 was a great success due to the detailed planning and coordination by Maj. Gen. (retired) Ken Leuer, Jon Hill and Harold Bryant of the General Membership Meeting Committee.

A crowd of over 400 filled the Regimental Ballroom for a social hour before being called to dinner in the Supper Club by a trumpeter playing mess call. William Paul, the CEO of AUSA in Washington, who also is the senior vice president of United Technologies for Governmental Affairs, gave an incisive and informative talk on the budget deficit, the distribution of governmental spending programs, and the impact on defense spending and the defense industrial base.

The Infantry Center Chorus gave a great performance of patriotic music and awards were presented to recognize the professionalism of the following soldiers:

■ The 11th Infantry Regiment color guard for support of AUSA functions. Pvt. Laura C. Schlueter, Pfc. Loren C. Williams, Pfc. Herschel L. Gillins, Staff Sgt. Robert D. Platt, Staff Sgt. Christopher C. Beichlin, Staff Sgt. Russell L. Potts, all assigned to 1st Battalion, 507th Parachute Regiment.

■ Sgt. Sasaki Hideshi, Ranger Training Brigade Non-Commissioned Officer of the Quarter, 2nd Qtr. FY 93.

■ Staff Sgt. Edwin Rodriguez, School of the Americas Non-Commissioned Officer of the Quarter, 1st Qtr. FY 93.

■ Spc. Elizabeth L. Coe, Martin Army Community Hospital Soldier of the Year, FY 92.

■ Pvt. Raquel Gomez, 324th Support Battalion most outstanding new soldier of the month, Jan. 93.

■ Spc. John M. Gillis, 3rd Brigade, 24th Inf. Div. Soldier of the Quarter, 2nd Qtr. FY 93.

■ Sgt. Clifford Biggs, 3rd Brigade, 24th Inf. Div. Non-Commissioned Officer of the Quarter, 2nd Qtr. FY 93.

■ Staff Sgt. Martin A. Soto was recognized for his excellence in training for FY 92. Staff Sgt. Sots scored the highest in the Artillery Gunnery Test four consecutive times. He is assigned to the 3rd Brigade, 24th Inf. Div.

Our congratulations to these outstanding soldiers.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

March 9 — Executive Committee Meeting, Room 642, Infantry Hall. 1 p.m.

March 19 — AUSA Chapter hosts the Civilian/Military Affairs Council at the Fort Benning Officers' Open Mess

March 25 — Drill Sergeant of the Year Award ceremony, Inf. Tng. Bde.

April 13 — Executive Committee Meeting, Room 642, Infantry Hall.

Ben Register, a retired lieutenant general, is president of the Chattahoochee Valley-Fort Benning Chapter of the Association of the United States Army (AUSA).

VETERANS

State dedicating memorial to Persian Gulf veterans

ATLANTA — Gov. Zell Miller will be the main speaker at the dedication for the Persian Gulf Veterans Memorial at 3 p.m. Wednesday. The ceremony will take place in front of the Floyd Veterans Building near the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Atlanta.

During the ceremony, retired Lt. Gen. John Yeosock will speak on behalf of all Georgia veterans who either deployed or were called to active duty during the crisis. He commanded more than 303,000 United States soldiers and 35,000 British and French personnel during the war.

The memorial consists of a bronze plaque attached to a tablet of Georgia granite that stands five feet eight inches tall. Inscribed on the plaque are the names of the Georgians killed in action and those taken prisoner during the war. Also engraved are the designations of the active duty, national guard and reserve units from Georgia that were either deployed or mobilized during Operations Desert Shield, Desert Storm and Provide Comfort.

Others participating in the dedication will be Lt. Gov. Pierre Howard, Georgia House Speaker Tom Murphy, Commissioner of Veterans Affairs Pete Wheeler and Adjutant General Maj. Gen. William Bland.

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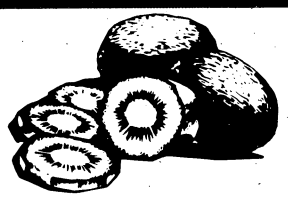

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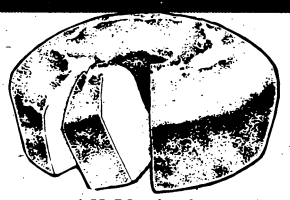

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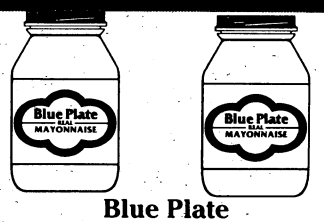

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RELIGION

Many hear calling to ministry later in life

From wire reports

TOLEDO, Ohio — Thomas Quinn was a real estate agent in the early 1980s, when success was measured by fat bank accounts, luxury cars and fancy homes. Single and making $45,000 a year, he lived in an eight-room house.

Though he had plenty from the material world, something was missing. He was active in his church, but that wasn't enough.

In his late 40s, he did some soul-searching and came to a decision that would change his life: He wanted to be a priest.

Quinn is among a growing number of middle-aged and older people who have left good-paying jobs to join the clergy, both in Protestant denominations and Roman Catholicism.

"I prayed quite a bit before I made the decision to become a priest," said Quinn, 58, principal of St. Mary's Central Catholic High School in Sandusky, Ohio. "I've never regretted my decision. I really enjoy what I'm doing."

The Catholic church has four seminaries in the United States that accept only people at least 30 years of age. Quinn went to one of them — Sacred Heart School of Theology in Hales Corners, Wis. Also at the seminary with Quinn were a doctor, teachers and accountants.

Men over 30 can enter any Catholic seminary. But the four that are strictly for older men are designed to help them give each other support in adjusting to their new life.

"They are in their 40s, 50s, 60s. Those people had some type of professional background, a house, business. Now they are living in a shoe box they call a room," said Michael Hohenbrink, vicar of seminarians for the Toledo diocese. "What they do is tell a common story, and their common story is supportive to one another."

"The older man brings charisma," says Thomas Quinn, a former real estate agent who decided to become a priest. "He knows what it's like to have a family to come home to. . . . He knows what it's like to face those daily pressures, problems."

Ten years ago, Quinn was the only person in the Toledo diocese who was studying for the priesthood after giving up a professional career. Today, seven of the 19 seminary students in the diocese are between the ages of 32 to 42.

In the United Church of Christ, the average age for an incoming seminarian is 34, nearly 10 years older than the average 20 years ago, said spokesman Bill Tupper.

The United Methodist Church said the average age for its seminarians is 35, 10 years older than what it was 30 years ago.

Older people who become priests bring a different perspective to helping people, Quinn said.

"The older man brings charisma," he said. "He knows what it's like to have a family to come home to. . . . He knows what it's like to face those daily pressures, problems."

Older people who give up professional careers know that they will be taking a pay cut when they become ordained. Quinn is making $14,000 a year as a priest.

Many have families, which means they will see a drastic change in their lifestyles.

"I think people are finding that there is not a whole lot of fulfillment in material things," said Ed Jackson, who quit the State Highway Patrol in 1970 to become a minister.

He gave up his job eight years before he could retire and collect a pension. He said his wife and children supported him in his decision.

Jackson, 67, is one of the founders of the Grace Brethren Church in Columbus, a conservative Protestant church.

Jackson joined the patrol in 1948 and eventually rose to the rank of lieutenant.

He said he was a devout Christian but had become somewhat jaded after investigating murders, rapes and other crimes. He left the patrol after an experience during a riot at Ohio State University in 1970.

"One of the rioters was injured very badly. I was in a position to help him. I wasn't so sure I wanted to," he said. "That man disgusted me. He had thrown bags of urine on me. He spit on me. He burnt my flag. I'm a patriot. Everything I love and cherished he attempted to destroy."

Dave Clark, 50, was police chief of Findlay, Ohio, for 12 years before he became a full pastor of the Gospel Fellowship Church in Rawson, about 10 miles from Findlay, in April.

He said his 25 years on the police department tested his faith.

"You see beaten wives, abused children, murder and suicide. People tend to say, 'Why did God let that happen?' " Clark said. "The fact of the business is that God has given people the ability to make choices . . . and we shouldn't blame that on God."

IN BRIEF

Group begins spring Bible study

Protestant Women of the Chapel has begun its spring Bible study. The group meets 9:30 to 11:45 a.m. each Thursday in Building 2521. Baby-sitting is provided free of change in adjacent Building 2517.

For more information, contact Gwen Chandler at 682-5546 or Loree Smith at 685-0809.

PARTY FOR CHILDREN: PARTY, the youth group for children 4 years old through sixth grade, has started a new series called "Bible Boot Camp."

It gives children a "Basic Course in God's Army," teaching them who their commander-in-chief is, how to study their "training manual," what to wear for battle and the weapons to use in "spiritual warfare."

Each session runs from 1-3:15 p.m. at the Religious Education Center and features games, crafts, videos and snacks.

The Religious Education Center is located in Building 2522 on Thorston Road behind Quartermaster Laundry.

Dates are: March 13 and 27, April 10 and 24, May 8 and 22.

For registration or more information, call Margaret Alberici at 689-1164.

PREBAPTISM CLASS: A prebaptism class will be held March 14 at 1 p.m. at the Religious Education Center, Buildings 2517 and 2522, located off Indianhead Road, behind the Quartermaster Laundry.

There are three sessions in each cycle. All parents who wish to have their child or children baptized in the Catholic church are required to attend.

To register, call Phil Reilly at 545-4715.

MEGASKILLS: The Chaplains' Family Life Center and Columbus College will present workshops for parents and children March 10, 17, 24 and 31 from 11 a.m. to noon at the Chaplains' Family Life Center.

For more information, call Chaplain (Maj.) James Rayburn at 545-1760.

CATHOLIC WOMEN: The Military Council of Catholic Women invite all women to increase their knowledge of the faith, join together for prayer and celebration of Mass, participate in opportunities of service and form feminine friendships.

The MCCW meets every Wednesday from 9:30 a.m. until noon at the Infantry Center Annex, and every first Friday from 9:30 a.m. until noon at the Main Post Catholic Chapel. Child care is free.

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Morning Worship 10:45am
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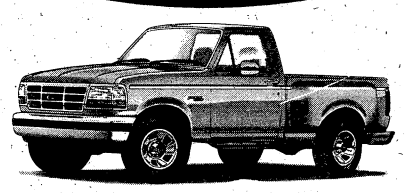

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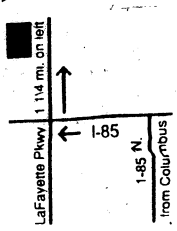

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power door locks - pdl
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horsepower - hp
miles per gallon - mpg
air conditioner - air
convertible - conv.
door - dr
engine - eng.
excellent condition-exc cond
cassette - cass.
Chevrolet - Chevy
long bed - lb
short bed - sb
transmission - trans.
four wheel drive - 4wd
service records - svc. rec.
Volkswagen - VW
Continential - Cont.
Mercury - Merc.
original owner - orig. owner
high performance - hi-pro
conversion van - conv. van
aluminum - alum.
equipment - equip.
payments - pymts.
interior - int.
exterior - ext.
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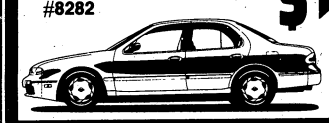

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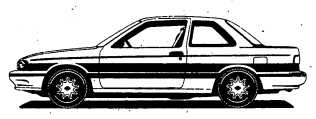

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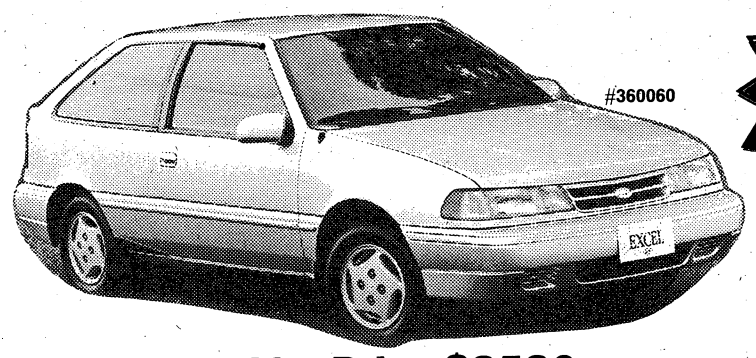

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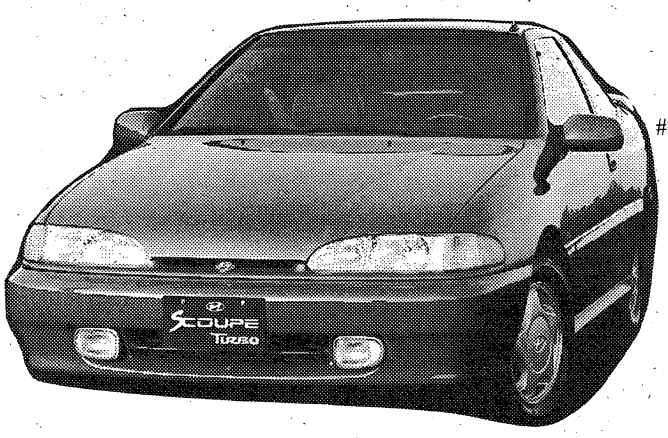

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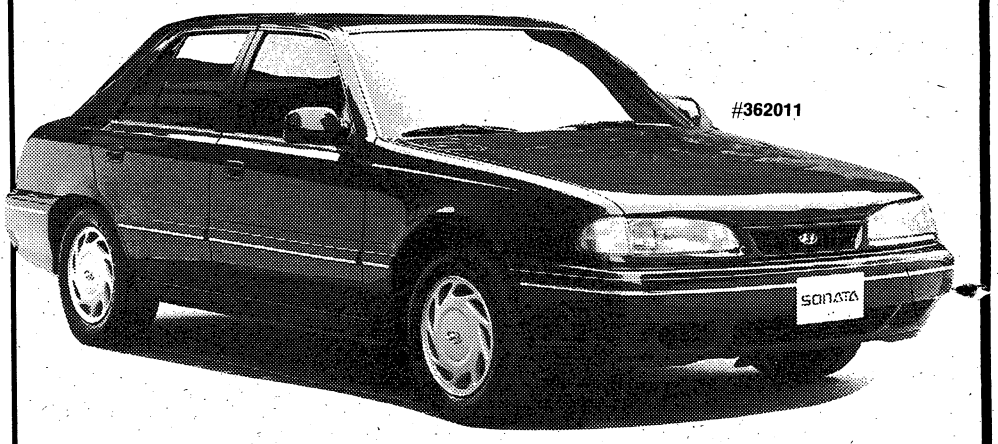

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For more information, contact Jim Graham at the Rifle and Pistol Club at 689-3371.

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The classes are free. For more information, contact Hazel Henry at 545-4726 or 545-4388.

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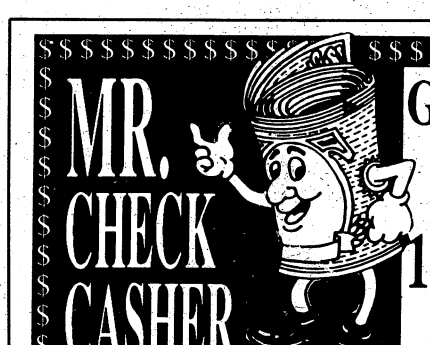

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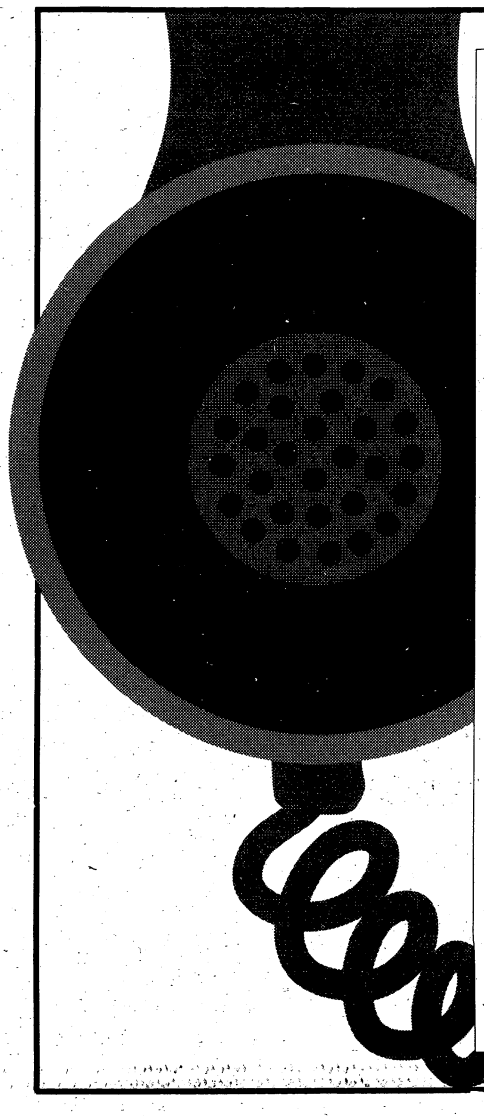

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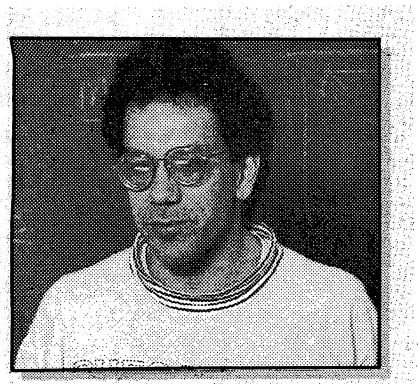

So long, Wilbur

Artist-in-residence Bill Johns is helping Wilbur School students say goodbye to the school. **Page 10**

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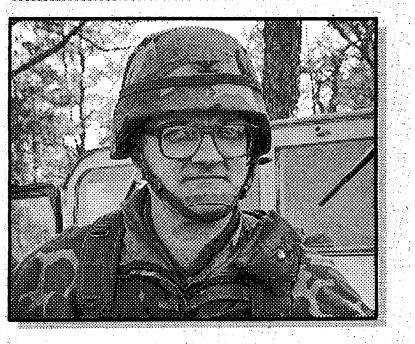

Money has not yet gotten so short that it's cutting into the 3rd Brigade, 24th Infantry Division's training plans, said Col. Robert St. Onge, commander of the division. **Page 16**

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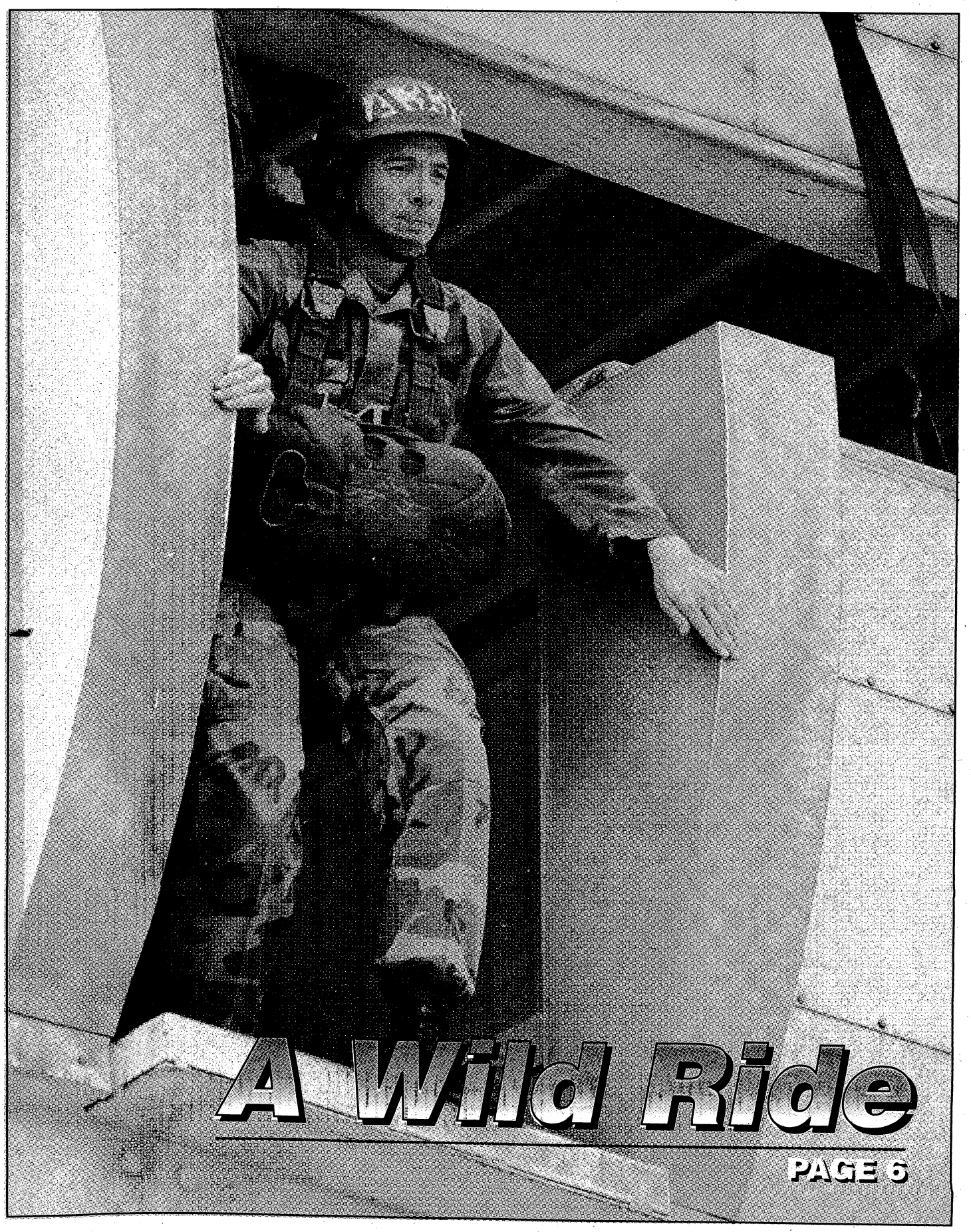

A Wild Ride

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COMMENTARY

Allies enjoy fruits of victory in N. Africa

The Allied victory parade in Tunis took place on May 20, 1943, but soon the Allied forces began reorganizing for the attack on Sicily. Although events in North Africa had not worked out on schedule, the Allies had obtained all of the objectives they had set for Operation TORCH.

Al Garland

With the southern side of the Sicilian straits in Allied possession, Allied surface vessels could now move with fair security through the central Mediterranean. Too, the Allied forces now posed a threat to the Axis positions in Sicily, Italy, the Balkans, Crete, and the Dodecanese Islands. From their airfields along the African coast, Allied aircraft could now conduct long-range bombing missions deep into the enemy's European fortress, and mount long-range reconnaissance flights over the Atlantic in the continuing campaign against the Axis submarine fleets.

The Allies reaped more benefits from TORCH than they originally expected. For example, they had not only destroyed the forces opposing General Bernard Montgomery's British Eighth Army in the western desert, they had destroyed another whole Axis army and an immense amount of material. German personnel losses alone amounted to 155,000 men. These manpower losses, added to those sustained by the Axis at Stalingrad a few months earlier, severely weakened the Axis forces' future ability to take the initiative except for local operations.

Too, the Axis partnership suffered a severe strain. The Italians would have preferred to have the Germans go on the defensive on the Eastern Front in order to concentrate to meet the western threat with overwhelming power. In fact, Mussolini would even have welcomed a separate peace with the Soviet Union. After the Axis defeat in Tunisia, it seemed only a matter of time before Italy would drop out of the war.

Adolf Hitler had determined that Tunisia must be held at all costs, but his concern with the military problem seemed fitful and superficial. He apparently recognized after the surrender of the Axis forces in North Africa that the heavy losses could be justified only by an elaborate explanation of his personal decision — made against the urgent pleas of the Italians and his own military advisers — not to take Malta. As it turned out, Malta in Allied hands had led to the failure of his efforts to supply the Axis armies in Africa.

He declared to his principal commanders on the Eastern Front in July 1943 that he had prevented a loss of the war by defending the Tunisian bridgehead. He pointed out that the Italians would otherwise have dropped out of the war, which would have permitted the Allies to march unopposed to the Brenner Pass at a time when the Germans were in no condition to stop them there. He insisted his decision had not only saved the war, but had cost the Allies dearly and had delayed an Allied second front in Europe for six months.

Whatever may be said about this explanation, the fact it was given amounts to an acknowledgment that in Africa the Allies had not only won territory of strategic worth but had inflicted such losses on the Axis powers as to weaken their ability, and perhaps to undermine their will, to fight.

On the other hand, Allies had made a hard choice in July 1942 between seeking a quick success in French North Africa before winter and building up strength in the United Kingdom until the following spring for an attack across the English Channel. The decision to gamble on occupying French North Africa ahead of the Axis forces led to failure in December 1942, a failure that could not be remedied before May 1943.

It is doubtful this failure alone caused the cross-channel attack to be deferred until 1944 because of the many other considerations involved. But one important consideration concerning the relation of the decision to go into French North Africa to the fundamental Allied strategy seems beyond question. For even if the allies had succeeded in establishing a bridgehead in Normany in 1943, their experience in Tunisia demonstrated they would have been unprepared to break out of that bridgehead and drive far toward Nazi Germany's heartland. They gained the needed experience by meeting the enemy at the outer periphery of the area to be liberated at a time when the Eastern Front continued to absorb the bulk of Axis military power.

The triumph of Allied arms in Tunisia was achieved under conditions that taught them the way to win battles together, to meet and to recover from reverses, and to push on aggressively to the far harder struggles that faced them in the months and years ahead.

For the U.S. Army, the operations in northwest Africa proved of inestimable value in turning it into a far more efficient fighting force. At the end, the Axis alliance was far weaker and the Allied coalition far stronger than when TORCH kicked off. In brief, the Allies had made an auspicious start on the road to complete military victory in Europe.

Al Garland is former editor of Infantry magazine.

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Here, according to research by the Military History Divison at Fort Benning, were the top news items of the week 50 years ago:

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On the Eastern Front, Field Marshal Erich von Manstein continued his stunning offensive as his German forces pressed the attack, capturing the city of Kharkov. Despite the German advance, however, Russian forces took Kholm and Zharkovsky, northeast of Velikiye Luki, and Vyazma in the central sector of the front.

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In North Africa, Britain's Eighth Army advanced, despite the outbreak of several sharp skirmishes, as part of a joint Allied operation against Axis positions along the Mareth Line in Tunisia. Additionally, the 2nd New Zealand Division and the Eighth British Armored Brigade moved south from Medenine in preparation for the operation.

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In Burma, Japan's 55th and 33rd divisions attacked the 123rd Indian Brigade in the Arakan, forcing an Allied withdrawal.

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At Fort Benning, the First Canadian Parachute Brigade, temporarily stationed on post pending the completion of its own airborne training facilities, passed in review as part of a ceremony honoring Brig. Gen. George P. Howell and A.E. Nash.

FYI

The Columbus Museum, 1251 Wynnton Road, includes a regional history gallery, a children's gallery and changing exhibitions of American art. Call 322-0400 for information.

ON POST

Families welcome engineers home

335 troops among first back

By Clint Claybrook
Staff Writer

Fort Benning put on its homecoming colors — red, white and blue — to welcome about 335 36th Engineer Group soldiers home from Africa on Wednesday.

Some of these soldiers had spent three months in Somalia as part of Operation Restore Hope, helping open roads to speed relief supplies to that starving African nation and building base camps for other troops — like the U.S. Marines — who may be stuck in Somalia for months, maybe years to come.

There was a party atmosphere in the hangar at Lawson Army Airfield for a welcoming ceremony, even though the troops got there six hours later than they'd expected to.

Robyn Morris brought her four children to welcome their dad, Sgt. Michael Morris. Each child had a tiny U.S. flag to help stir excitement, and each brought a balloon with his or her name on it. Momma got a hug that swept her off her feet.

Sgt. Morris said he just wanted to go home and relax. "That 29 hours on the plane was rough."

But his wife had other plans: She was planning a candlelight dinner, with T-Bone steak, french fries, salad with Italian dressing and cherry cheesecake, she said. "That's what he said he wanted, and he's getting every bit of it."

There were about a dozen kids and several neighbors waiting at her Fort Benning residence to welcome Sgt. Morris home with confetti. His son Benjamin, 10, said he wanted daddy home in a hurry, "So I can sign up for baseball practice with him."

The sergeant said anything for dinner would be good "as long as it's not chicken. Even the airline gave us chicken." The group was known to serve chicken as the entree with its one hot meal a day repeatedly, especially in the early days of its Somalia stay.

The orange, blue and white Tower Air 747 was grounded at John F. Kennedy Airport in New York for about three hours for repairs en route home, soldiers said. Even so it rolled to a stop in front of the hangar to a crescendo of cheers that peaked when Col. Philip Anderson, the group commander, led his troops off the plane about 3 p.m., to martial music by the Infantry Center Band.

Chief Warrant Officer 5 Pedro Arroyo's wife, Josie, brought him a red rose. "But I bought it at 7 a.m.," and it was wilted by the time the chief got it. But she had a better surprise in the trunk of her car, Mrs. Arroyo said: "A six pack of beer." Today marks his "34th birthday in the Army," Arroyo pointed out.

"I just want him home and relaxed and beside me, hugging me, in my arms," said Loressa Barnes as she waited for her husband, Sgt. Anthony Barnes.

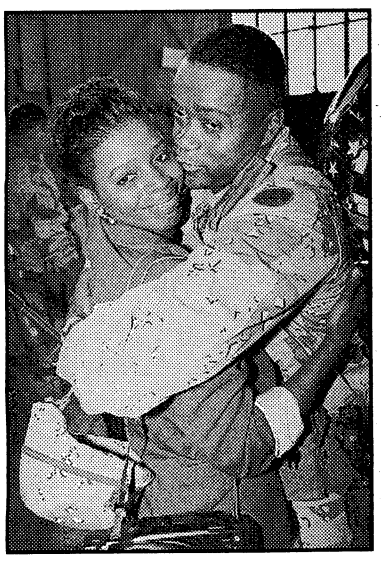
Ginny Pitcher, waiting with Niki, 5, 7-month-old Aaron and three-year-old Naomi, said sometimes breaks like this "give us both time to think about things, and appreciate things more." She said the kids had been restless all afternoon. "I can hardly keep them still, they want to run and see daddy so much."

Most of these soldiers will get today off work, check in on Friday so their leaders can be sure their finances and legal affairs are in good shape, undergo a tuberculosis test and donate some blood for other tests, then get Tuesday, Thursday and Friday of next week off, a post official said.

Another planeload of troops is scheduled to arrive today and another next week, the Army said.

But the troops of the 63rd Combat Engineer Support Company and most of those in a 608th Ordnance Co. platoon will likely remain in Somalia until the end of May, the Army has said.

By Joe Maher/The Benning Leader
36th Engineer Group soldiers, tanned from several weeks in the African sun, await the word to rush into the arms of loved ones upon their return to Fort Benning on Wednesday.



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Sgt. 1st Class Richard Rascoe gets a hearty welcome home from his wife, Beverly.

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Benning could benefit from base closures

From staff, wire reports

Defense Secretary Les Aspin is expected to recommend as many as 30 major military bases for closing when he delivers his list to the independent Base Closure and Realignment Commission today.

Fort Benning officials are apparently taking a wait-and-see approach in assessing how the latest round of base closings may affect the local post.

Defense Secretary Les Aspin is expected to recommend as many as 30 major military bases for closing when he delivers his list to the independent Base Closure and Realignment Commission. Aspin's list is expected to be released today.

Fort Benning is not expected to suffer any adverse effects in the process. It, as well as other Georgia installations, has gone unmentioned in published or rumored lists. However, three Alabama military bases could be included in the Pentagon's new round of closings.

Army officials would not say whether any changes in organization might work to the post's advantage. Some local supporters have speculated that Benning might receive new personnel as other posts are closed.

"We've basically provided our list of recommendations to the Department of Defense and they will make their list known, we understand, on Friday," said Maj. Rick Thomas, an Army spokesman.

There was no official comment from Fort Benning officials. A post spokesman said base closings are a Department of the Army matter and any questions must be addressed on that level. But the only information that has seeped out about Georgia military bases so far would appear to be good news.

In Alabama, officials closed ranks Monday around the three cities with military bases that could be among those recommended for closing.

Top Pentagon officials told The Associated Press in Washington that the Navy is expected to target the home port at Mobile among its installations to be recommended for closing.

"I think this is hot air for right now," said Petty Officer 3rd Class Javier Eck, assigned to the new Mobile base since June.

And Sen. Howell Heflin, D-Ala., called it "just speculation and rumor" at this point.

However, Sen. Ernest F. Hollings, D-S.C., disclosed earlier that Redstone Arsenal at Huntsville, Ala., and Fort McClellan at Anniston, Ala., were on a base-closing list he was told about but had not seen.

Any reports of bases to be closed "are just speculative," said Glenn Flood, a spokesman for the Pentagon. "We'll have an official list out Friday."

A U.S. Air Force general has offered assurances that the one Georgia base that was nearly closed two years ago — Moody Air Force Base in Valdosta — again seemed to have escaped the budget-cutter's knife.

Rep. J. Roy Rowland, D-Dublin, announced recently that Gen. Mike Loh of the Air Combat Command had told him, unofficially, that Moody did not seem to be in jeopardy.

The branches of the military have made recommendations for base closings to Defense Secretary Les Aspin, who has until March 15 to make any changes before sending the recommendations to the Independent Base Closure Commission.

The commission has a June 30 deadline to make any changes it wants. After review by President Clinton, the final list goes to Congress for acceptance or rejection as a package.

At Redstone Arsenal, the base commander said he had no advance notice of the arsenal being on the Army's list for closing. "I think they'd have notified me," said Maj. Gen. Joe Rigby.

Fort McClellan, the military's chemical warfare training center at Anniston, was on an earlier list for closing, but was removed after arguments were made about the need for preparedness in dealing with chemical weapons.

"The Army fully intends to close Fort McClellan," said Rep. Glen Browder, D-Ala., who helped lead the earlier fight to save the base in his district.

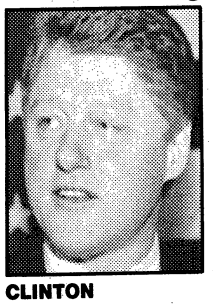
"What we don't know is if they are recommending closing the entire base, or closing most of it and then keeping open a stand-alone chemical training facility," Browder said.

Clinton to speed up defense 'conversion'

From wire reports

WASHINGTON — President Clinton is freeing about $1.5 billion to help companies, workers and communities adjust to defense cuts — a sign that he will push for a more active federal role in weaning the economy from its defense dependence.

The $1.5 billion is one piece of a broader, long-term effort by Clinton to demilitarize the economy and end the overwhelming focus on military uses of technology that prevailed during the decades of preparing for war with the Soviet Union.



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Congress has tried for several years to increase the pace of this defense "conversion," but it was a philosophical bugaboo for Republican administrations, which argued that government should stay out of the way.

"During the Reagan and Bush administrations their position was that wasn't their problem, that their job was fielding weapons systems, keeping the troops equipped, and that problems in the industrial base would be handled by the market one way or another," Sen. Jeff Bingaman, D-N.M., said in an interview. "Now I think there's a growing recognition that we need to do *more.*"

The $1.5 billion was approved by Congress last fall but put on hold by the Bush administration. Clinton is taking steps to make the money available for spending.

As evidence that Clinton views defense conversion as mainly economic rather than military, he put his National Economic Council in charge of coordinating it. The National Security Council is involved but not as the leading player.

A centerpiece of the $1.5 billion package is about $550 million to help defense-dependent companies — especially small and medium-sized ones — develop products that they can sell in both commercial and defense markets.

One reason such "dual-use" products are not more common already is because the military imposes rigid technical specifications for products it buys — requirements that don't make economic sense in the commercial market.

About $160 million of the $1.5 billion is to be split between Commerce and Defense department programs designed to provide economic planning aid to communities hit especially hard by the closing of military bases or defense plants.

Some communities' vulnerability will be dramatized by the outcries likely after the Pentagon announces today a list of about 30 military installations around the country that it wants to close.

The rest of the $1.5 billion is for worker retraining, early retirement incentives for tens of thousands of military servicemembers and civilian Pentagon workers and other programs designed to ease the transition for displaced workers. Congress is generally enthusiastic about such aid, but some have questioned parts of the program.

For example, the Defense Conversion Commission created by Congress to study the issues said last December that it doubted the value of a program that aims to turn former military personnel into teachers.

Clinton planned this week to highlight pieces of his 1993 economic stimulus package that are aimed at conversion, according to a White House aide who discussed the matter on condition of anonymity.

The aide said Clinton plans to stress that his stimulus package includes $15 million for a Commerce Department program to aid communities hit hard by defense cutbacks; $188 million for an Energy Department effort to foster more "partnerships" between private industry and government weapons laboratories, and $230 million for other civilian technology programs.

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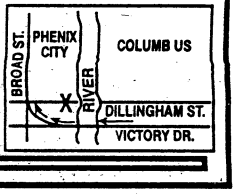
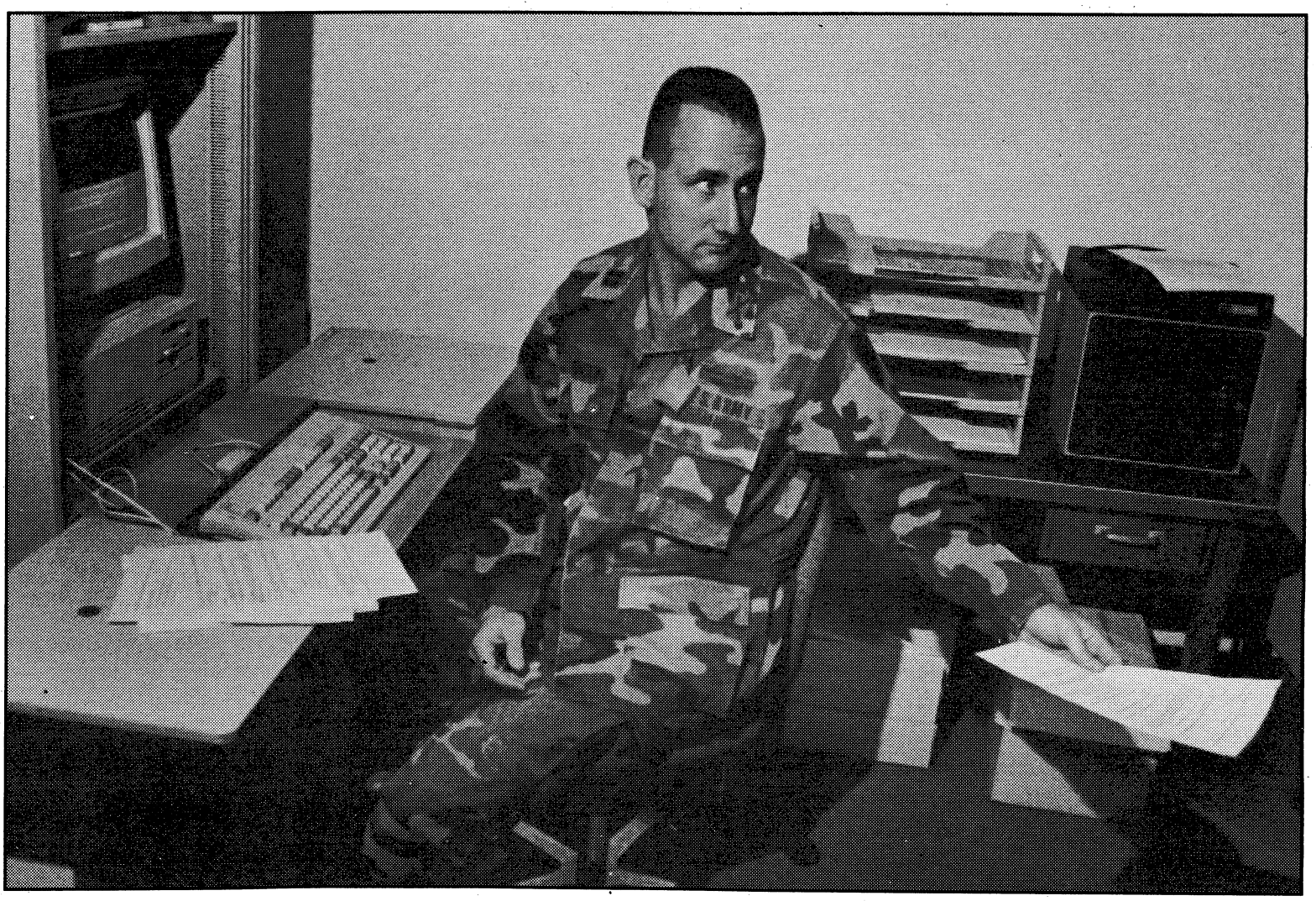


PROFILE

Captain's life has been an adventure

Wilkinson has done duty in Middle East and Somalia

By Clint Claybrook
Staff Writer



By Joe Maher/The Benning Leader

Capt. Tom Wilkinson, who writes speeches for the post commander, is heading for advanced training after his tour of duty at Fort Benning.

You might say Capt. Tom Wilkinson gets around a lot, even for an Army kind of guy who has only served on two main posts: He had a front seat during the ground fighting during the Persian Gulf War and will not soon forget the smiles of the ill and possibly dying children of Somalia.

Now the captain — who was an infantry company commander before he ventured into the public affairs field as a spokesman for Fort Benning's 3rd Brigade, 24th Infantry Division — is off to school again.

On Monday, Wilkinson reports to the Combined Arms Staff and Services School at Fort Leavenworth, Kan. After that, he's destined for the Army's advanced public affairs course, probably at the University of South Carolina.

Wilkinson is a man of words. In recent months he's been a speech writer for Fort Benning commander Maj. Gen. Jerry White, sometimes cranking out five speeches a day. He's also done some writing for the Fort Benning command newspaper, including articles on the activities and lifestyle of 36th Engineer Group soldiers in Somalia in January and February.

Prior to being assigned as the 3rd Brigade's PAO in July, 1990, Wilkinson had spent five years with the 24th Infantry Division at Fort Stewart. He first served as a platoon leader, later as a company personnel officer and finally as a company commander. Later, he did some time as the 3rd Brigade's plans officer.

The PAO field was his second choice when Wilkinson had to pick a functional area in the Army.

But the 3rd Brigade PAO job got him an up-front look at the Persian Gulf War. Earlier this year, in a kind of Fort Benning farewell tour, Wilkinson was the media escort for local reporters who spent 10 days with 36th Engineer Group soldiers in Somalia.

"All the death and destruction that was just everywhere and the total compassion of U.S. soldiers" comprise his most vivid memories of the Gulf War, Wilkinson said. "One minute we were trying to kill them (Iraqi soldiers), then when they surrendered, the guys were giving them boots, their clothes . . . giving them food and stuff."

Wilkinson rode literally in the front ranks into that war, in the tracked vehicle that carried Col. Ted Reed, then the 3rd Brigade commander, a UPI reporter and another from an Atlanta newspaper. Wilkinson actually got a bit of a jump on the war by accompanying one of the 3rd Brigade battalions on a sortie into Iraq a couple of nights before the ground war officially kicked off during which "the battalion shot up some stuff" during a heavy reconnaissance probe.

The captain had to hit the ground running at Fort Benning to make Desert Shield/Desert Storm. He arrived Oct. 30, 1990, and was shipped out to Saudi Arabia on Nov. 21. He was gone five months, returning with the last of the 3rd Brigade troops the day before Easter in 1991.

In jockeying his way into war with the up-front elements, Wilkinson cited his dual role as the public affairs officer and the brigade's historian.

His trip to Africa escorting reporters covering activities of the 36th Engineer Group left its own vivid impressions, Wilkinson said.

"The smiles on the faces of people that had nothing to smile about . . . When they'd see the soldiers that were helping them, they always managed to smile," he said. "I guess what they were beginning to see was better than anything they'd seen before in their lifetimes."

Wilkinson credits Reed with giving him a leg up on his first PAO assignment. "We wanted the soldiers in the paper, telling their story," he said. "I think I did that effectively."

He said his PAO jobs at Fort Benning have been a boon for him: "If not, I wouldn't have gotten to see and do the things I have."

Wilkinson's PAO days may be over, however. "I'm probably going to be moving somewhere else or trying to get into an infantry position here at Fort Benning," after he completes the advanced PAO school.

Like other captains in his 1983-84 "year group," he sometimes wonders about his future. First there is the Army's reductions-in-force to sweat out. Then there's the prospect that another 30 percent of his year group will be cut by a board recommending captains for promotion to major next spring.

He's a kind of an Army brat, but his father, a lieutenant colonel, got out of the Army when Wilkinson was only three years old, so he doesn't know much about the old days in Army green.

But give him a king-sized chew of Skoal to pack in his bottom lip, and he's been known to go a long way to help reporters.

"He was invaluable on the Somalia trip," said WTVM-TV reporter Wayne Bennett. "He did a lot of arranging ahead of time . . . He was a very nice man to work with. He literally carried us all over the desert in Saudi Arabia so we could get the stories we needed."

Capt. Tom Wilkinson

Age: 34.

Hometown: Richmond, Va.

Family: Wife, Pat; daughters, Kristen, 4, and Caitlin, 2.

Past: Nine years in the infantry, including four years in Army Reserves prior to going active in 1985.

Present: Speech writer for Maj. Gen. Jerry White. Reports Monday to the Combined Arms Staff and Services School at Fort Leavenworth Kan., for nine weeks, then to the Army's advanced public affairs course, probably at the University of South Carolina.

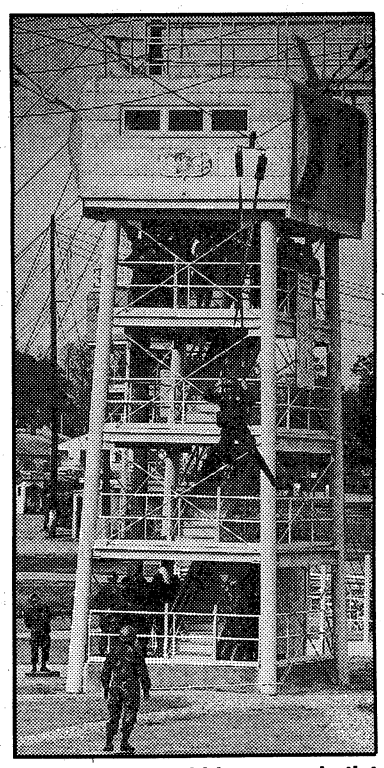
Future: Like other young officers, he stares the Army's cutbacks in the face, with 200 captains being cut this year and another 25 to 30 percent at a major's (promotion) board next spring. For now, he's off to school again.

On being a PAO: "I was lucky, being with the 3rd Brigade, because there it was sort of like being a PAO and also with the troops, as well as doing staff time in my functional area. My primary MOS is infantry."

COVER STORY

Airborne students take a ride on wild side

Airborne students don't just line up in the door of a C-130 or the C-141, and "hit the silk." First, they have to make it past the 34-foot trainer, on Day 2 of Week 1 of ground training at the Airborne School (1st Battalion (Airborne), 507th Infantry Regiment at Fort Benning. It's almost three weeks later that they'll actually win their wings. The jump from the tower simulates the effect of jumping from an aircraft, where a 'chutist gets a "free-fall" of about four seconds before his main parachute opens on a real jump and the riser cables support him on his ride to the ground, a Fort Benning spokesman said. Leader Photographer Joe Maher caught these would-be parachutists on their second day of airborne training at Mann Field.

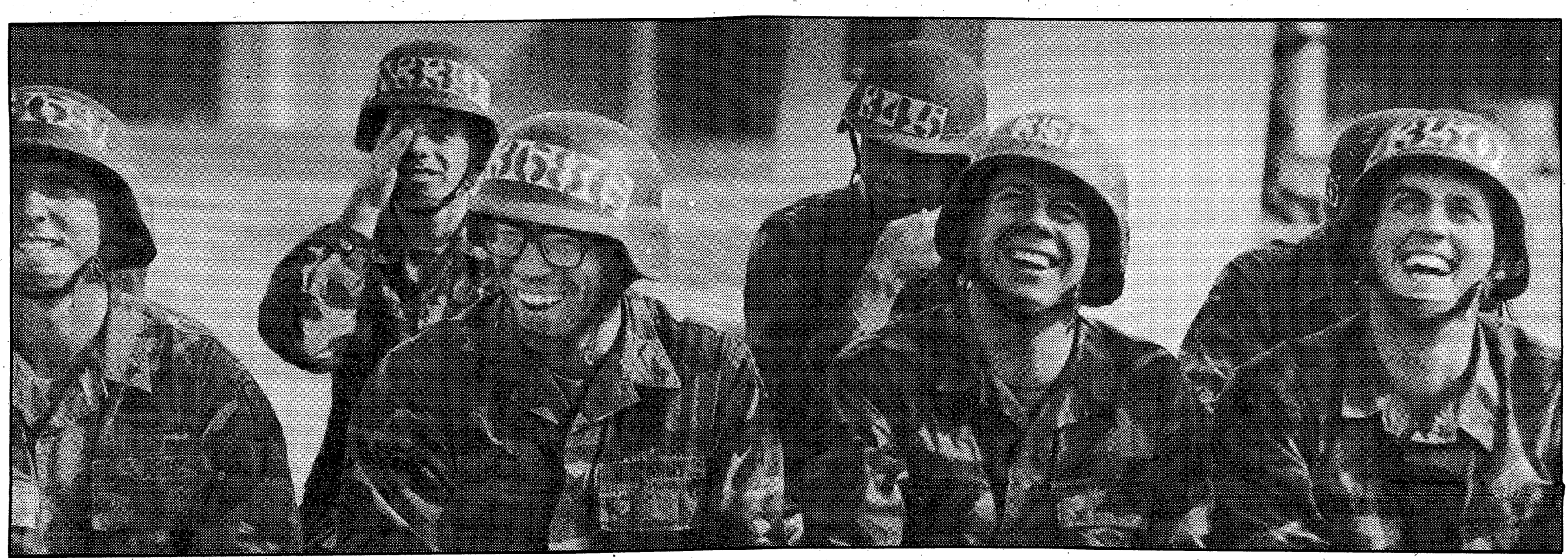


One more would-be parachutist on the cable ride down from the 34-foot tower.

About the cover

Capt. Hal Kempfer gathers his courage before his first leap from the 34-foot tower at Fort Benning's Mann Field on his second day of airborne training. Photo by Joe Maher.

Pvt. Greg Young puts himself in the traditional 'spread eagle' posture en route to the landing zone.



Airborne School trainees wait for their turn at the 34-foot tower, obviously enjoying the exploits of those who have gone before.

ON POST

Memorial to Army Rangers is in the works

By Linda Bosley Dailey
Staff Writer

A memorial to Army Rangers will be dedicated July 19, according to the chairman of the organization that is raising funds to establish and maintain the monument.

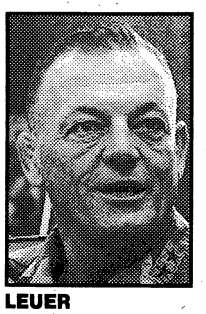
Kenneth C. Leuer, chairman of the Ranger Memorial Foundation, Inc., said final approval from the Secretary of the Army is pending, but that he expects to receive authorization within the next couple of weeks. Fort Benning commander Maj. Gen. Jerry A. White and the post's architectural review committee already have given their approval, Leuer said.

Leuer, a retired major general and Ranger Hall of Fame member, said the foundation would be meeting this week to order the casting of the 24-foot bronze dagger that will be the centerpiece of the monument.

Casting must begin early, Leuer said, so the monument will be ready in time for the dedication. Construction at the site — which is on Ranger Field near Infantry Hall — is expected to begin before May 1, he said.

The dedication of the memorial is part of a five-day program of activities to spotlight Rangers' skills and contributions to the military.

As part of that program, the change of command ceremony for the 75th Ranger Regiment will be held July 21. Col. David L. Grange will relinquish command to Col. James T. Jackson, who is coming to Fort Benning from the U.S. Special Operations Command at MacDill Air Force Base, Fla., said Sgt. 1st Class Ron Hilston, a spokesman for the 75th.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Other activities planned for July 17-21 include airborne operations, weapons competitions and sports contests designed to showcase Rangers' skills, as well as social events for Ranger units and associations.

The foundation is about a third of the way to the $450,000 needed to build the monument, Leuer said. The group is seeking not only corporate and individual donations, but also to sell stones inscribed with Rangers' names and units. The stones will be set in the walk leading to the dagger, a replica of a Sykes Fairbairn knife issued to Rangers during World War II, he said.

Not all stones will be sold before construction of the memorial, Leuer said. The foundation will continue to sell the stones so future Rangers may be honored. It also has plans to expand the paved area so engraved stones can be added after the walkway is full. Leuer said the foundation hopes, too, that historical organizations will purchase stones to honor the Rangers who served in the 18th and 19th centuries.

For more information on contributing to the memorial or buying a stone, call the Ranger Memorial Foundation at 323-4461.

IN BRIEF

Series of financial planning seminars set to begin

The Army Career and Alumni Program will host monthly financial planning seminars beginning March 23. The seminars will be conducted by local financial planners and insurance agents.

The seminar schedule for March 23 will be 9-9:45 a.m., financial/cash management; 10-10:45 a.m., insurance and investments; and 11-11:30 a.m., question and answer period with individual agents and brokers.

Future seminar dates are April 20, May 18, June 22 and July 20. All seminars will be conducted in the classroom portion of the Job Assistance Center, Building 2634 in Soldiers' Plaza.

Seating is limited, so early arrival is recommended. Spouses are encouraged to attend.

For more information, call Maj. Charles Shelden at 545-4902 or 545-4913.

SUPPORT GROUP: The Cardiac and Diabetic Support Group will meet Monday in the Baugh Conference Room (second floor) of Martin Army Community Hospital at 6 p.m.

Bowling will be at the Main PX Bowling Alley on March 23 at 5:30 p.m. For more information call Thomas Valitzski at 561-3077.

OPEN SATURDAYS: The Fort Benning Post Office is now open Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. for a test period of about eight weeks.

TAX ASSISTANCE: The Fort Benning Tax Office, located on the second floor of Building 2613 in Soldiers' Plaza, offers free tax return preparation of state and federal forms and free electronic filing.

Services are available for soldiers, retirees and family members on a walk-in basis.

Taxpayers should bring with them all the appropriate paperwork, said Jane Winand, chief of the Legal Assistance Division at the Office of the Staff Judge Advocate.

The tax office is being operated by members of SJA and Army Community Services.

For more information, call the office at 545-4267.

SUBSTANCE ABUSE SEMINAR: A substance abuse seminar will be held March 18 from 8:15-11:15 a.m. at the Youth Activities Center, Building 1056.

The free seminar, sponsored by the Civilian Counseling Services of the Alcohol and Drug Abuse Prevention and Control Program, will be limited to 100 participants. No costs are involved.

The purpose of the seminar is to provide awareness of substance abuse issues and to describe the impact substance abuse has at work and in the community.

Topics include: substances of abuse, role of Civilian Counseling Services, drunk driving consequences, teen-agers and substance abuse, supervisory intervention and the effect of substance abuse on the family.

Register by calling the Training and Development Division of the Directorate of Civilian Personnel no later than March 15 at 545-5580 or 545-5656.

Registration should be made through unit or activity training coordinators.

ARMY LEARNING CENTER: The operating hours for the Army Learning Center, located in Building 2611, Soldiers' Plaza, will be 8 a.m.-noon and 1-5 p.m. Monday through Friday. These hours will remain in effect until further notice.

For more information, call 545-1436.

DISPATCH CHANGES: Transportation Motor Pool vehicles are now dispatched on a monthly basis. Drivers should use the drive-through dispatch booth when requesting redispatch.

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Daytona Beach welcomes MTV and its spring break madness

By Jim Abbott
Orlando Sentinel

Ah. Spring is in the air.

In Daytona Beach, Fla., that means that soon other things will be in the air, too.

Volleyballs, Frisbees, people (hopefully with the assistance of parasails or the like), music — maybe even love.

Hey, it happened in "Where the Boys Are," right?

One thing's for certain: When thousands of college students begin their annual invasion, Florida residents know enough to expect the unexpected.

And while the locals may call it bedlam, the nation's advertising executives know better. For them, it's a marketing bonanza that is irresistible to suntan-oil and drink companies, car manufacturers, national magazines and, last but not least, video music channels. (Hey, these kids buy music, too.)

Beginning March 11, from its headquarters at the Daytona Beach Marriott, MTV will begin taping installments of "Beauty and the Beach," "Lip Service," "Chillin' With the Wiez," "Daytona Beach Jam," "Daytona Beach Grind" and "Daytona Beach Rocks" (special editions of the network's "MTV Jams," "The Grind" and "Headbanger's Ball"). Hosted by such MTV regulars as Pauly Shore, Duff and Riki Rachtman, the tapings will feature music by Digable Planets, Wreckx-N-Effect, Stereo MC's, Naughty by Nature, Shabba Ranks, the Black Crowes, Living Colour and others.

Here's a tentative lineup of other spring break activities, all of them in Daytona Beach. But keep in mind that when it comes to spring break, schedules are about as solid as sand castles at high tide. (In each category, events are arranged chronologically.)

ONGOING EVENTS

Parasail rides, over the ocean: daily through April 11; behind Daytona Beach Marriott, 100 N. Atlantic Ave.

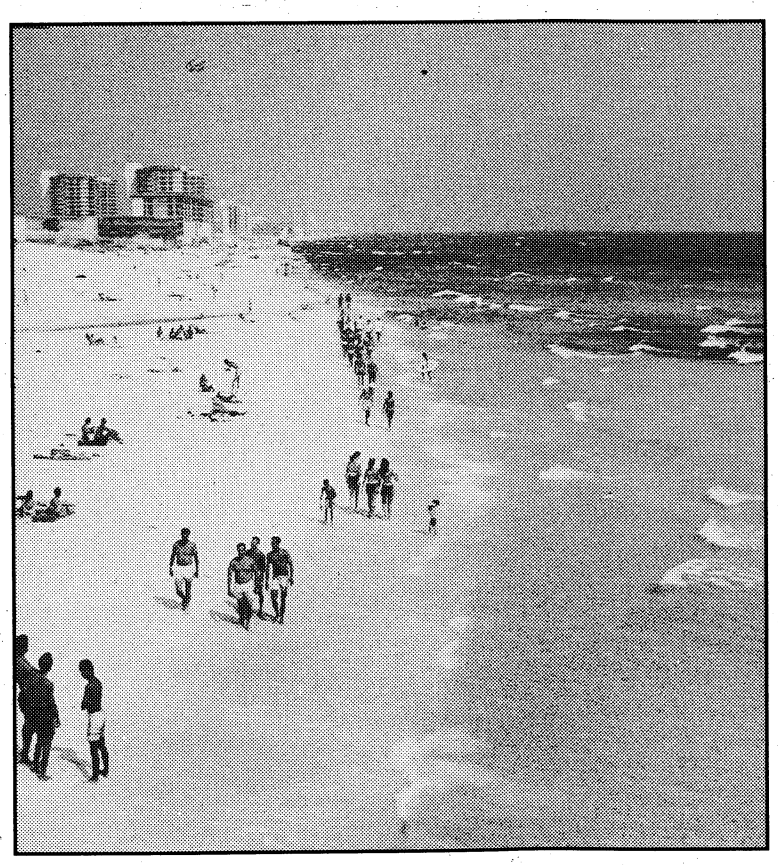
Volleyball tournaments: daily through April 11; on the beachfront at Howard Johnson Plaza Hotel.

Big Beach Party, sports events, games, displays, live entertainment (sponsored by Ford Motor Company): 9 a.m.-4 p.m. through April 10; the beach behind Daytona Beach Boardwalk, North Atlantic Avenue.

Coca-Cola Spring Break Jam Fest, games, deejays, live entertainment: 10 a.m.-dusk through March 27; Oceanfront Park, North Atlantic Avenue.

Power Aid Obstacle Course: 10 a.m.-dusk through March 27; behind Daytona Beach Marriott, 100 N. Atlantic Ave.

1993 Spring Break Baseball Jamboree, 55 college games: through March 31; Jackie Robinson Ballpark; ticket prices vary; (904) 258-3106.



Students are flocking from across the nation to Florida's warm beaches.

Hawaiian Tropic Escape Sweepstakes Registration and Exhibit, product samples, video-a-go-go, karaoke, games: through March 26; in front of Howard Johnson Plaza Hotel.

Spring Break Volleyball Tournament: through March 28; beachfront behind Whitehall Inn.

Spring Break '93 at the Texan Hotel, daily concerts, Wild West paint-war games, fitness-equipment displays, volleyball and basketball games: through March 26; Texan Hotel, 701 S. Atlantic Ave.

Ninth Annual Spring Break Beach Volleyball Tournament: March 9, 16 and 23; International Inn. Also, March 10, March 17 and 24; Ocean Deck. Also, March 12, 19 and 26; Howard Johnson Plaza Hotel.

MTV TAPINGS

"Lip Service," taping of MTV lip-sync showcase: 10 a.m.-1 p.m. and 3:30-4:30 p.m. March 12; Daytona Beach Marriott, 100 N. Atlantic Ave.; free.

"Chillin' With the Wiez," taping of variety show starring Pauly Shore: 12:30-1:30 p.m. March 13; Daytona Beach Marriott, 100 N. Atlantic Ave.; free.

"Daytona Beach Jam," taping of special edition of "MTV Jams" with musical guests Dr. Dre and Snoop Doggy Dog, Heavy D., Digable Planets, Wreckx-N-Effect and Jade: 2:30-4:30 p.m. March 14; Daytona Beach Marriott, 100 N. Atlantic Ave.; free.

"Daytona Beach Grind," taping of special edition of "The Grind" with hosts Eric Nies and Duff, musical guests Stereo MC's, Naughty by Nature, Run-DMC, TLC and Shabba Ranks: 1:30-3:30 p.m. March 15; Daytona Beach Marriott, 100 N. Atlantic Ave.; free.

"Daytona Beach Rocks," taping of spring break special with Headbanger's Ball host Riki Rachtman and veejay Duff with musical guests Black Crowes, Soul Asylum, Lenny Kravitz, Living Colour and Stone Temple Pilots: 7:45 p.m.-midnight March 16; Daytona Beach Marriott, 100 N. Atlantic Ave.; tickets available only through radio promotions.

MISCELLANY

Power Beach Volleyball Weekend: March 19-21; on the beach behind the Beach Resort, 2700 N. Atlantic Ave.

World Wrestling Federation Matches: 7:30 p.m. March 20; Ocean Center, 101 N. Atlantic Ave.

Sunshine Hockey League games: 7:30 p.m. March 21, 23 and 24; Ocean Center, 101 N. Atlantic Ave.

Spring '93 Speedway Spectacular Car Show: 7 a.m.-5 p.m. March 27 and 28; Daytona International Speedway, Daytona Beach; $6 at gate.

Soundcrafters Spring Break Nationals Car Audio Exhibit: 9 a.m.-6 p.m. March 27 and 28; Ocean Center, 101 N. Atlantic Ave.; free.

25th Annual Easter Beach Run: 3 p.m. April 10; on the beach from Rockefeller to Harvey Approach with 5 p.m. awards ceremony at Daytona Beach Bandshell.

Big Beach Party Easter Egg Hunt: noon April 11; on the beach behind the Daytona Beach Boardwalk.

At the movies

Listings for March 12-18

TODAY

Night and the City (R) 7 p.m., Sand Hill

Home Alone 2 (R) 7 p.m., Main Post

Hoffa (R) 9:30 p.m., Main Post

SATURDAY

Night and the City (R) 2 p.m., Sand Hill

Matinee (PG) 2 p.m., Main Post

Trespass (R) 6:30 p.m., Sand Hill

Leprechaun (R) 7 p.m., Main Post

Nowhere to Run (R) 9 p.m., Main Post

SUNDAY

School Ties (PG) 2 p.m., Sand Hill

Matinee (PG) 2 p.m. Main Post

Body Guard (R) 4 p.m. Sand Hill

Nowhere to Run (R) 7 p.m. Main Post

MONDAY

Trespass (R) 7 p.m., Main Post

TUESDAY

Leprechaun (R) 7 p.m., Main Post

WEDNESDAY

Matinee (PG) 7 p.m., Main Post

THURSDAY

Leprechaun (R) 7 p.m., Main Post

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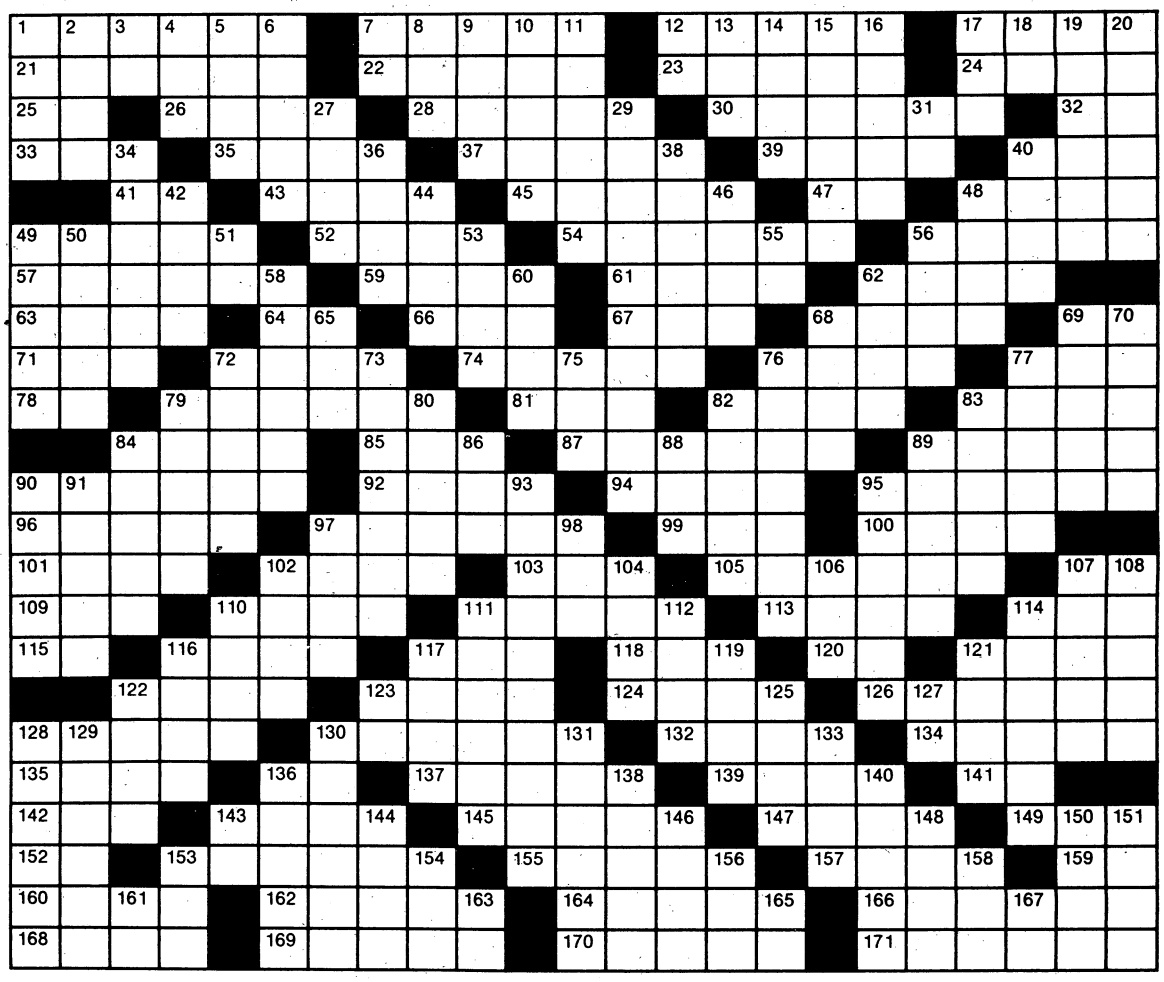

Crossword puzzle answer on Page 14

ACROSS

1 In truth
7 Pamphlet
12 Washes
17 Caution
21 Clothesmaker
22 Pertaining to the cheek
23 Place in position
24 Mental image
25 Latin conjunction
26 Dye plant
28 Indian garments
30 Sponsor
32 "Tag" player
33 Tier
35 Bridge
37 Chairs
39 Limbs
40 African antelope
41 Paid notice
43 Crackle
45 Roster
47 Concerning
48 Equal
49 Longed for
52 Timepiece
54 Postage stickers
56 Barter
57 Snakes
59 Falsifier
61 Great Lake
62 Indigent
63 Prophet
64 You and I
66 Game at cards
67 Encountered
68 Workman
69 Pittsburgh st.
71 Sailor: colloq.
72 Messenger
74 Spirited horse
76 Assistant
77 Stewart of music
78 — Pacino
79 Cake flavoring
81 Offspring
82 Chooses
83 Mexican currency
84 Halt
85 Frolic
87 Denudes
89 Moore of James Bond fame
90 Long-legged birds
92 Flower
94 Window frame part
95 — of dog
96 Regions
97 Signify
99 TV's — Arthur
100 Son of Adam
101 Falls behind
102 War god
103 Summer mo.
105 More boring
107 Martin ID
109 High card
110 Health resorts
111 Lance
113 Pickle flavoring
114 Petition
115 Down: prefix
116 Hold on property
117 Crimson
118 Nothing
120 River in Italy
121 Boundary
122 Uncouth persons
123 German title
124 Ice hockey score
126 Labored
128 "Peyton —"
130 Popeye, for one
132 Father's Day gifts
134 Frock
135 Savor
136 Sun god
137 Theater boxes
139 Foray
141 Article
142 Summer, in Marseilles
143 Sedimentary material
145 Story
147 Formally precise
149 Hindu cymbals
152 Near
153 Realm
155 — officer
157 Bad
159 Ingels ID
160 Slender
162 Related on mother's side
164 Hinder
166 Kettledrum
168 Congers
169 Katmandu's country
170 Malicious burning
171 Most recent

DOWN

1 Roman road
2 Western alliance: abbr.
3 Roman gods
4 Guido's high note
5 Vast ages
6 Faucet casualties
7 Mack ID
8 Ethiopian title
9 Word of sorrow
10 Manifests concern
11 Tests
12 Note of scale
13 High mountain
14 Small bottle
15 Goes in
16 Kind of cloth
17 Triumph
18 Paid notice
19 Checked
20 Essence
27 Alight
29 Declarations
31 Bone
34 Roam
36 Spike
38 Looked fixedly
40 Wheel tooth
42 Antlered animal
44 Bucket
46 Send forth
48 Urge on
49 Macaroni or spaghetti
50 Perfect
51 Phys.
53 Vientiane's country
55 Hebrew letter
56 Pitch
58 Bogs
60 Decays
62 Cushions
65 The self
68 Strikes
69 Puzzle
70 Worship
72 Conspiracies
73 Motors
75 Dawn goddess
76 Clap
77 Royal
79 Book of maps
80 Arrows
82 Lubricated
83 Strength
84 Wearying time
86 Expire
88 "Adam's —"
89 "— Without a Cause"
90 Caesar —
91 Delineate
93 Garden flower
95 Vote
97 Tehran's country
98 Owing
102 Simians
104 Mob
106 Brim
107 Sand hills
108 Rewards
110 "West — Story"
111 Homily
112 Disturbance
114 Quiet
116 Intertwine
117 Actual
119 Den
121 Italian currency
122 Baker's product
123 That man
125 Jump
127 Hypothetical
128 Gratify
129 — Richard
130 Salty
131 Silver State
133 Father
136 Mature
138 Cut
140 Couch
143 Samarium symbol
144 "The Parent — force"
146 Latvian currency
148 Small amount
150 Wine cups
151 Swing
153 River in Germany
154 Greek letter
156 The Lion
158 Ordinance
161 Negative prefix
163 Spanish article
165 Hosp. attendant
167 Exist

VCR Voice lets you talk to your remote control

By Jonathan Takiff
Knight-Ridder Newspapers

Infomercials have hustled us to purchase miracle car waxes, vegetable slicers/dicers and exercise machines "not available in any store."

Now a novel, high-tech device for controlling a TV set and VCR "with the power of your voice" is getting its sole push via direct-response radio and TV advertisements, too.

Replacement remotes for home electronics are a boom business, selling at a rate of 26 million units per annum, estimates one maker. And the "8 out of ten people who can't program our VCRs" are particularly in need of his special remote, claims inventor Michael Bissonnette in the radio spot for the VCR Voice Programmer, *his* "incredible breakthrough product" which carries a $169 price tag.

Unlike the very popular VCR Plus control system — which sells for $60 and is also built into 10 percent of videocassette recorders now sold in the U.S. — the VCR Voice Programmer does not require you to enter specific program codes found in newspaper and TV Guide listings.

Instead, just depress a single button on this remote and talk to it, following cues on a liquid crystal display screen that tell you when to speak the day, channel, on and off times of the program you wish to have taped.

An hour before the appointed start time of the show, the VCR Voice Programmer's LCD screen starts blinking the news that it's ready to record, and reminds you to put a tape in the VCR. A more incessant count-down, with an audible beep, begins five minutes before showtime.

The unit will then turn on the VCR, tune the right channel and start recording. If you're cabled, it switches the cable box (previously left on) to the proper channel, too. A total of four different shows running in a single week can be verbally pre-set in advance.

The Voice Programmer performs some other neat tricks, too. During video tape playback, you can control play, stop, pause, fast forward and rewind functions vocally. Or just say "zap it" and the tape speeds forward through a minute-length commercial, then resumes normal play.

You can also jump from one viewing channel to another (by announcing, say, "one . . . two" to move to channel 12).

While billed as a miracle cure for technophobia, the VCR Voice Programmer does require reading of two cartoon-ladened set-up books plus an operating guide. It takes about an hour for a single user to get a system running — first training the smart remote to hear your voice, then transfering infrared operating codes from your old remotes to the new one.

(In roughly the same time, you could finally study up on how to set your VCR's clock so it stops blinking 12, and how to work the recorder's on-screen programming!)

Four different family members can store their own voice commands in a single VCR Voice Programmer, even concocting their own words for transport operations. The controller also can be switched to operate two different sets of video components.

In my programming experience, the infrared information transfer didn't go so well, until I put new batteries in the old remotes. And several of my voice sampling entries had to be redone, before the unit recognized my gurglings.

When all else fails, or you don't want to wake a bed partner, you can manually enter functions like "record" or change the viewing channel up and down with push buttons on the remote, most hidden under a sliding cover.

Convinced now? You can order yours at 1-800-788-0800 or 1-800-VCR-TALK.

But take heed that a simpler, cheaper ($60-$80) and less sexy solution to VCR program-itus will be delivered to stores later this month from at least two manufacturers. It's a combined universal remote and VCR programmer that requires just the press of a few buttons for setup of taping time, day and station.

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COMMUNITY

Columbus to vote on sales tax Tuesday

By Ben Wright
Staff Writer

The battle to pass or reject a 1 percent sales tax referendum ends on Tuesday as Columbus voters cast ballots on the proposal.

For the Columbus Better Government Association, the sales tax proposal could be the last fight for its chairman, Attorney Vince McCauley who opposes both questions on the referendum. Mayor Frank Martin says the tax vote is more important than his failed bid to lift the assessment tax freeze in November 1991 and may be the most important proposal since voters approved city-county consolidation in 1970.

Voters will decide if they want to use about $20 million a year in sales tax money to pay for a $171.4 million package of capital projects. With two questions on the ballot, a voter could approve both questions, approve one and vote down the other or reject both questions.

The first question asks voters to approve sales tax money to raise $65 million for state-mandated combined sewer repairs, $30 million for parks and recreation improvements, $15.2 million for a police and fire administration building and $5 million for 30 miles of sidewalks near schools and parks.

A second question seeks voter approval for $26.5 million to build an 8,500-seat civic center along the Chattahoochee River to replace the aging Columbus Municipal Auditorium. The center is listed separately on the ballot because Martin secured a $5 million pledge from a donor to help with construction and operating costs if voters approved it.

Columbus Water Works officials have projected a 32.4 percent increase in water and sewer rates if the sewer portion of the ballot is rejected.

McCauley said the tax will hurt local residents, especially the young couples. People are staying in Columbus for two years and then move to Harris County or Alabama possibly to avoid higher property taxes. "We've had taxes, taxes, taxes all the time," said McCauley who opposed Martin in the tax freeze vote.

Martin is hopeful that both questions will pass. "I'm optimistic we are going to take positive action on Tuesday and pass both of these questions," he said. "What it will allow us *to do* is put some fundamental, civic building blocks in place that will allow us to become one of the best mid-sized cities in America."

Jim Rhodes, a retired veteran who backed McCauley two years ago, will vote for the sales tax. He doesn't agree with all the projects but feels the city is on the right track with most improvements. Rhodes has worked to get more ballfields for children and sidewalks near schools, but the city had no funds. "This is going to be a people project," said the retired U.S. Army veteran. "I think this is the way it should be."

If the tax proposal is the last cause for McCauley, he is not rolling over. "*I always felt it* was better to go down fighting than to just lie down and get rolled over," he told residents attending a forum early this week.

Artist helping students say goodbye to Wilbur

By Linda Bosley Dailey
Staff Writer

The farewell-to-Wilbur School projects are part of artist-in-residence Bill Johns' six-week program at the school. His goals for the program are to help students learn about theater, to incorporate theater exercises in the teaching of traditional subject areas and to help the community understand that arts education is integral to a complete education.

Artist-in-residence Bill Johns is helping Wilbur School students say goodbye to the school, which will close at the end of the school year.

Johns is working with two groups of children to make a video and an activity center that will explore the school's history and give students the chance to offer farewell tributes to the school.

A group of second- and third-graders are building an activity center that will stand in the school's cafeteria. The center will include trivia questions about the school, exercises in identifying historical photos and a graffiti board on which students can record their sentiments about Wilbur School.

A group of fourth- and fifth-graders is making a video as a farewell tribute. All other students will have the opportunity to be in the video. Each grade level is planning a farewell that the filmmakers will record and incorporate into the video, Johns said.

The video makers also are planning to include interviews of people who worked at Wilbur in years past, including a nurse who worked there when the school was closed one year so the building could be used as an orphanage for Vietnamese children, Johns said.

The children themselves wrote the script for the video, which includes a skit starring the ghost of William H. Wilbur, the soldier for whom the school is named, Johns said.

The activity center will be unveiled and the video premiered on Tuesday during a school assembly.

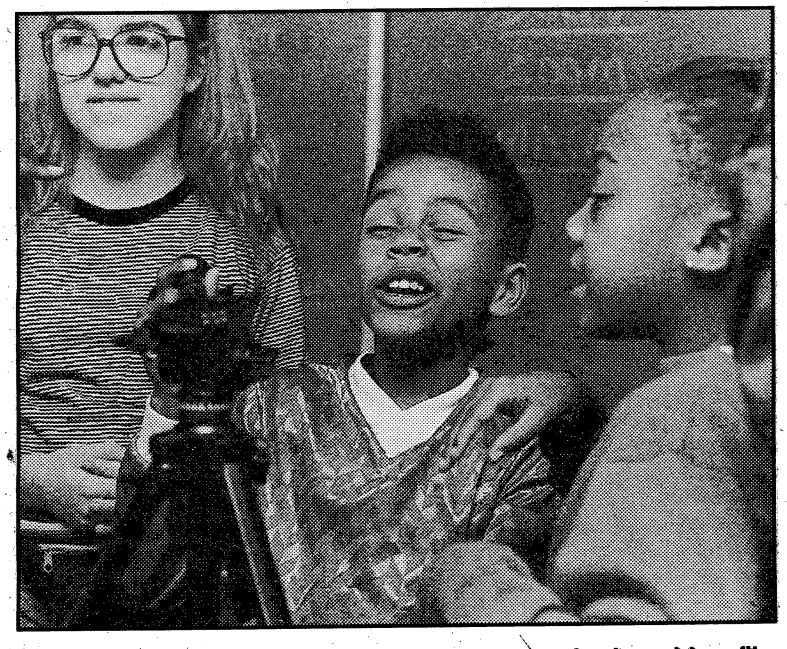
The farewell-to-Wilbur projects are part of Johns' six-week program, which began Feb. 3, at the school. His goals for the program are to help students learn about theater, to incorporate theater exercises in the teaching of traditional subject areas and to help the community understand that arts education is integral to a complete education, Johns said.

He is aiming to help children build communication skills and learn to work as a team through these projects, Johns said, which are skills that will benefit the pupils in all their studies.

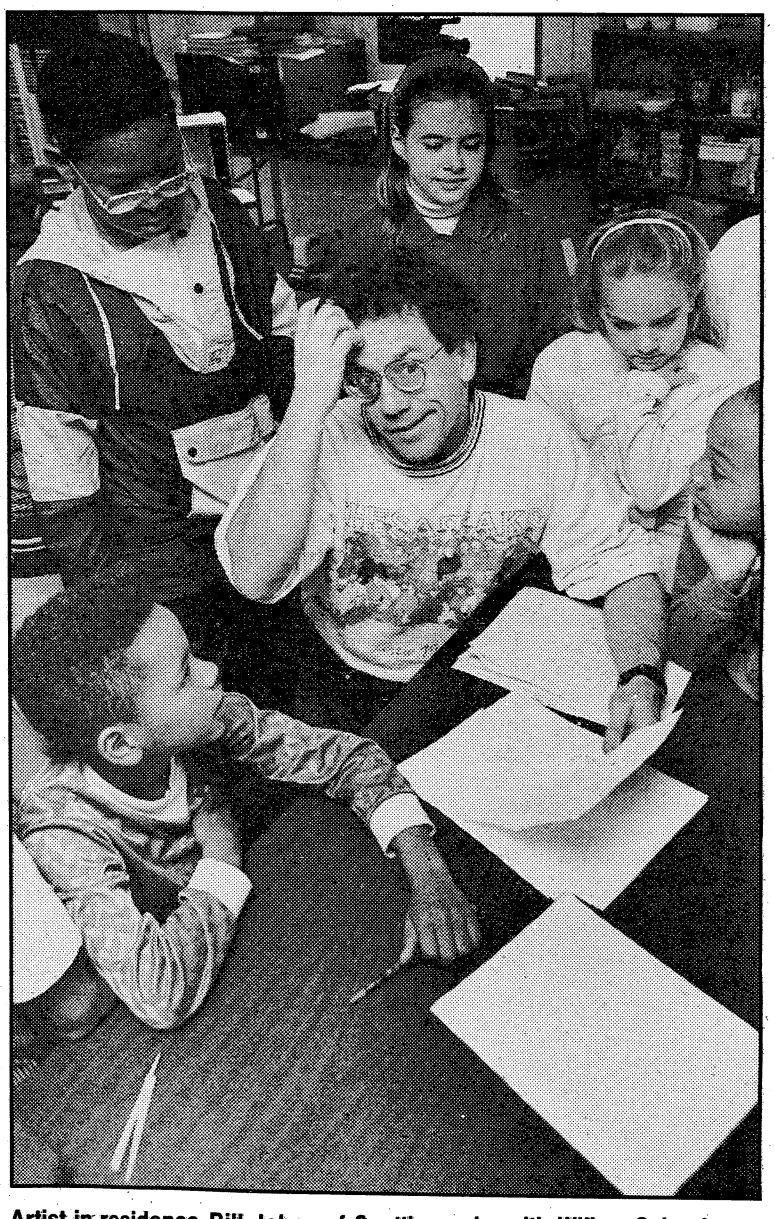
Johns, an actor, director and playwright, worked first with all students at Wilbur during the first weeks of his residency, and then selected groups of students to work on the special projects.

Formerly an Atlanta resident, Johns now lives in Seattle. Previously, Johns taught high school English, served as an instructor with several theaters, worked with several theaters in Atlanta and acted in television and film.

The residency is sponsored by the Fort Benning Schools and the Wilbur School Parent Teacher Organization. He has served as an artist-in-residence in Columbus before, in two residencies at Muscogee County schools.



Wilbur student Anthony Hicks checks out a video tripod used in a film project.



Artist-in-residence Bill Johns of Seattle works with Wilbur School students on projects concerning the closing of the school at the end of this school year.

Photos by Joe Maher

RELIGION

End-of-world scenarios picking up steam

By George Cornell
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Apocalyptic, end-of-the-world scenarios have been around through most of history, and the Waco, Texas group in an armed standoff with federal authorities is another peculiar outcropping of it.

Religious analysts foresee a surge of such end-of-times expectations as the close of the century nears.

Convinced of the rising interest in such reckoning, a Philadelphia researcher, Ted Daniels, has made monitoring it his occupation.

"The idea is clearly hot," says Daniels, who holds a doctorate in folklore from the University of Pennsylvania. "It's cooking. I'm not predicting where it will go. But there's going to be a lot of it.

"It's going to get increasingly important as the century winds down. I hope to God it's not violent."

Daniels, founder of the Millennium Watch Institute and editor of a year-old newsletter, Millennium News, said he keeps tabs on about 600 groups that anticipate an early close of the age and start of a perfect one.

In between, as some theories have it, there will be intervening periods of disorder and suffering, called "the tribulation," and a last purging war, Armageddon, before the era of peace and abundance unfolds.

"It's to be paradise on Earth, the transformation of the world," Daniels said in an interview. "That's the kernel of the whole millennial story. This world will be transformed into paradise."

Daniels' recently published book, "Millennialism, an International Bibliography," records several thousand cases in history of groups predicting an end of present mixed realities followed by a utopian aftermath.

"The idea (of the world ending) is clearly hot," says Ted Daniels, who holds a doctorate in folklore from the University of Pennsylvania. "It's going to get increasingly important as the century winds down. I hope to God it's not violent."

"It's not strictly a Christian idea," he said. "Some of these notions are older than Christianity. But mostly, it's associated with some type of piety. It's very much involved in the whole 'New Age' thing these days."

Teachings of most major churches avoid specifying future details, seeing pictorial biblical allusions to such events as symbolic of the struggle between good and evil that is fully resolved only in God's redeemed creation.

However, millenniumism of various kinds threads evangelical and fundamentalist teachings. The word refers to a supposed 1,000-year reign of Christ, as interpreted from Revelations 20 in that highly symbolic book.

Postmillennialists claim Christ's reign of righteousness will come before the conclusion of history, while "premillennialists" say the golden age will come only after corrupted time is terminated in a final conflict.

The leader of the Branch Davidian group near Waco, Texas, David Koresh, seems be in the "premillennial" category, although there apparently is much deviation from it as in his reported messianic claims and his arsenal.

"Most presumed prophets don't announce they are Jesus," Daniels said. "The prophet says he is a channel for the supernatural."

Besides the assorted "millennial" views, there also are highly literalist interpretations known as "dispensationalism" which links current events with biblical items to theorize timetables for the end.

Popular-style books that do this, such as Hal Lindsey's "The Late Great Planet Earth," sell in the millions.

Complicated mathematical theories are used to extract complex formulas from some biblical books, mainly Ezekiel, Daniel and Revelations, to predict events and schedules leading to the end.

However, after Christ's resurrection, when apostles asked him when he would come again, he said, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority."

Historic Christianity mainly has avoided trying to set times for that second-coming, called the "parousia," but there have been sporadic departures from the pattern through the centuries.

They have included the Millerites, who set 1844 for the climactic second-coming. Jehovah's Witnesses set a series of dates for the end in the present century, but have ceased doing so.

In recent years, some groups have gathered on mountaintops, believing the time had come for them to be taken up "in rapture" at the world's end. Individuals, claiming they've got the right date, attract passing attention.

But it passes, until the next prediction comes along.

"Even scientists are talking about world transformation, things like global warming," Daniels said. "People listen to the news, watch TV, and see global change. People sense it. In fact, the world is changing, politically and economically."

IN BRIEF

Night Bible study to begin Tuesday

Protestant Women of the Chapel will begin a night Bible study Tuesday at 7:30 at the TIC Chapel Annex. It is an eight-week study on the Book of Ruth. Point of contact is Chaplain Criner at 545-2288.

PWOC also meets 9:30-11:45 a.m. each Thursday in Building 2521. Baby-sitting is provided free of charge in adjacent Building 2517. These buildings are located just off of Indianhead Road and Thorson Street. For more information, contact Gwen Chandler at 682-5546 or Loree Smith at 685-0809. For more information, contact Gwen Chandler at 682-5546 or Loree Smith at 685-0809.

COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN: The Military Council of Catholic Women invites all women to increase their knowledge of the faith, join together for prayer and celebration of Mass, participate in opportunities of service and form feminine friendships.

The MCCW meets every Wednesday from 9:30 a.m. until noon at the Infantry Center Annex, and every first Friday from 9:30 a.m. until noon at the Main Post Catholic Chapel. Child care is free.

For more information, call Teresa Zepeda at 682-3918 or Jackie Place at 689-6496.

PREBAPTISM CLASS: A prebaptism class will be Sunday at 1 p.m. at the Religious Education Center, Buildings 2517 and 2522, located off Indianhead Road, behind the Quartermaster Laundry.

There are three sessions in each cycle. All parents who wish to have their child or children baptized in the Catholic church are required to attend.

To register, call Phil Reilly at 545-4715.

MEGASKILLS: The Chaplains' Family Life Center and Columbus College will present workshops for parents and children March 17, 24 and 31 from 11 a.m. to noon at the Chaplains' Family Life Center.

For more information, call Chaplain (Maj.) James Rayburn at 545-1760.

OFFICERS FELLOWSHIP: Officers Christian Fellowship offers all officers assigned to or visiting Fort Benning the opportunity to fellowship with other officers in pursuit of the message of Jesus Christ.

MILITARY FELLOWSHIP: Christian Military Fellowship meets every second and fourth Friday of the month at 7 p.m. at the Custer Terrace Chapel.

For more information, call 545-2050 or 689-6090.

ENGLISH CLASSES: English classes are being offered at the Religious Education Center for foreign born spouses. Classes are Tuesdays at 9:30 a.m. in Building 2522. Classes are free and child care is provided.

For more information, contact Bill Putman at 545-4715.

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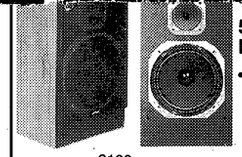

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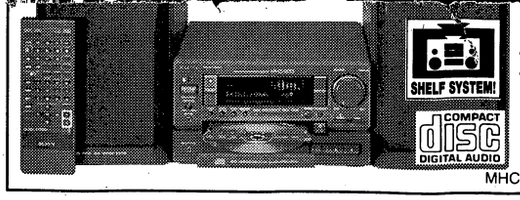

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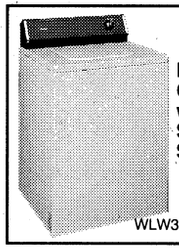

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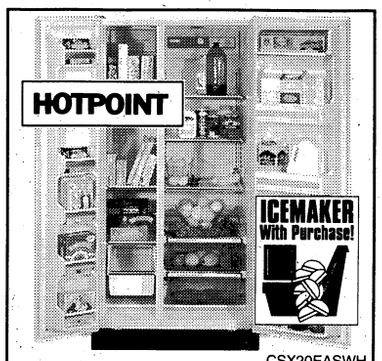

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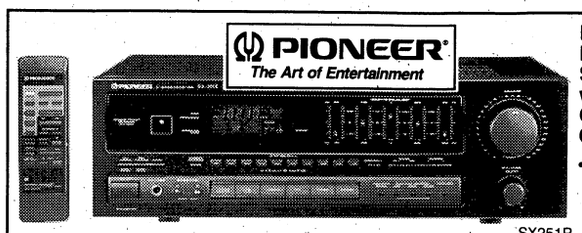

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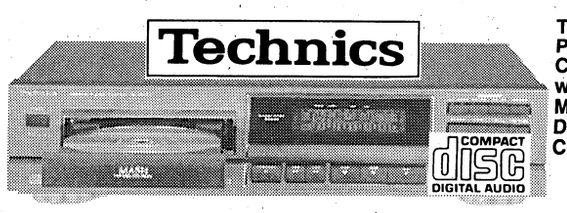

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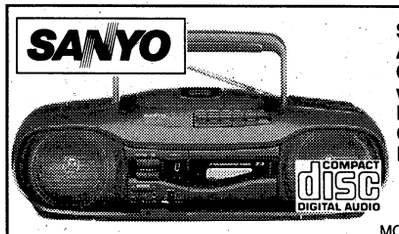

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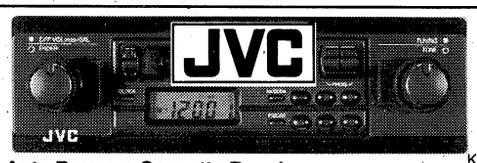

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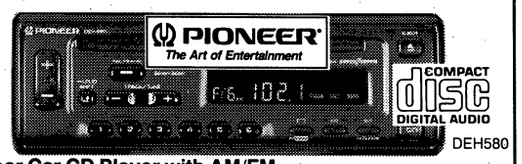

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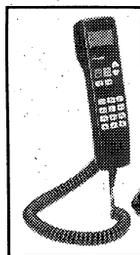

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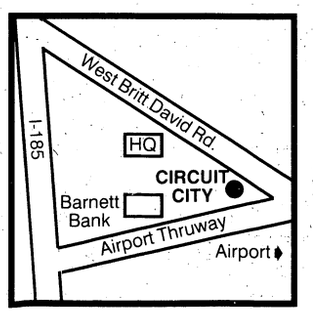

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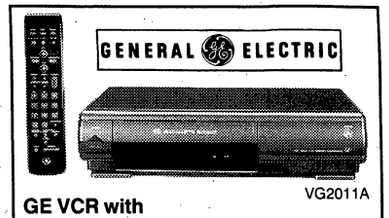

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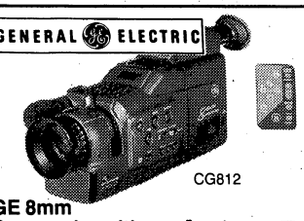

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VETERANS

Officer: Black airmen proved their worth

By Linda Bosley Dailey
Staff Writer

"We wanted an opportunity to serve our country. But we wanted to serve it in a capacity befitting to our capability and not waste the manpower that was available," said Herbert E. Carter, a retired lieutenant colonel who trained at Tuskegee.

A person's heritage, race, color or creed has no bearing on his ability to perform, and the performance of black Americans in military service since the Revolutionary War is testament to that, a retired U.S. Air Force officer said Tuesday.

But the young black pilots — who would later become known as the Tuskegee Airmen and would distinguish themselves in combat — had to fight first for the chance to serve as Army Air Corps pilots, said Herbert E. Carter, a retired lieutenant colonel who was among the original group of pilots who took their aviation training at Tuskegee.

"We wanted an opportunity to serve our country. But we wanted to serve it in a capacity befitting to our capability and not waste the manpower that was available," Carter said during a lunchtime address to the Kiwanis Club of Columbus.

Even though the military eventually decided to employ the black pilots, it kept them segregated during training and service. It took months after the completion of their training for the military to even find a theater commander willing to take the all-black unit, said Carter, who serves as president of the Tuskegee chapter of the Tuskegee Airmen Inc.

And when his unit, the 99th Fighter Squadron, finally entered combat in April 1943 in North Africa, it was given a mission any pilot finds "dirty, thankless and very dangerous," he said. For a year, the unit conducted close tactical support missions, flying low to the ground to bomb and strafe the enemy's sources of support, such as supply-laden trains, ships and vehicles or fuel and ammunition storage areas, Carter said.

Still, the members of the 99th, a unit of the 332nd Fighter Group, persevered in that effort. And when given a chance in January 1944 to fly protective cover for the fleet that launched an assault on Italy's Anzio Beach, the unit downed 17 German aircraft in two days — eight of which went down in five minutes. By war's end in 1945, the 332nd had destroyed more than 300 aircraft, 59 locomotives, 200 highway motor transports and a German ship, a destroyer, he said.

In June 1944, the 99th was assigned to escort B-17 and B-24 bombers to their targets and back home to base.

But the 99th's aviators heard that the bomber pilots were concerned about being escorted by black pilots, Carter said.

So, the black aviators got the reddest paint they could find and painted the tails of all 72 of their P-51 fighters so the bomber pilots and the enemy air forces alike knew it was the black fighter unit sharing the sky, he said.

It was, Carter said, "an exhibition of pride and confidence. We're warriors and we can do our job."

Filmmaker George Lucas is making a movie, "The Redtails," about the Tuskegee Airmen, Carter said. The script has been completed, he said, and a producer and director hired.

The cast and location for filming are slated to be chosen this spring. Sites in Alabama and Arizona are under consideration as the location for the filming, he said. He doesn't know when filming will begin, but Carter said he and several other Tuskegee Airmen will serve as technical advisers on the movie.

Bill would give more disabled vets free tags

State Senator Ed Harbison of Columbus has sponsored legislation which would expand the number of disabled veterans entitled to free special license tags and hunting and fishing permits.

Current Georgia law requires that veterans be "totally and permanently disabled." Harbison's proposals would change the present language.

"The current state law excludes dome 4,000 disabled veterans in the state from the benefits they rightly deserve," said Harbison.

By eliminating the requirement that a total disability be permanent, Senate Bill 242 would grant more of Georgia's disabled veterans the right to obtain special license tags and complimentary drivers licenses. Senate Bill 243 would allow more disabled veterans eligible for lifetime Georgia hunting and fishing licenses.

Harbison, the chairman of the Senate Defense and Veterans Affairs Committee, said the legislation would track federal rules affecting veterans.

Senator calls for probe at VA hospitals

Sexual harassment allegations reported

From wire reports

WASHINGTON — Sen. Barbara Mikulski called Wednesday for a congressional inquiry into whether sexual harassment is widespread at the Department of Veterans Affairs 171 hospitals.

"I've been deeply concerned about the 'good old boys network' at the VA for sometime," Mikulski, D-Md., said in calling for an investigation by Congress' General Accounting Office. The GAO has 90 days to finish the study.

Mikulski, joined in the request by Sen. Jay Rockefeller, D-W.Va., proposed the investigation to follow up a "shocking" report in January by the VA's inspector general. That report alleged a pattern of sexual harassment by high-level officials over 10 years at the VA's Atlanta facility.

One Ph.D. candidate was greeted with a comment about the size of her breasts, and other female employees were asked to perform sexual acts, Mikulski said.

"How widespread is the problem? Is this an aberration?" she asked, adding she believes sexual harassment has occurred at other VA hospitals.

VA spokeswoman Linda Stalvey said the agency had a "zero tolerance" policy and had taken steps to correct any problems, including replacing the management in Atlanta and reviewing the process by which women can lodge complaints.

"Do we think we have 171 Atlantas? No," Stalvey said. "That was an extraordinary situation. Is there sexual harassment within the VA? Yes. There's a sexual harassment problem in society, and we're a reflection of society."

Mikulski, who heads a Senate Appropriations subcommittee on VA funding, said she wanted the GAO to look at how the VA treats men employees who allegedly harass women.

"Is it something that's swept under the rug ... while women are humiliated?" she said.

She took a swipe at new VA Secretary Jesse Brown for not having more to say about the revelations at the Atlanta facility.

"There has been remarkable silence at VA, and quite frankly, I'm disappointed," Mikulski said.

She complained that the VA, even though 57 percent of its work force is female, typically passes over women for promotions and traps them in stereotypical jobs.

"It is ... an old Pentagon mentality that women are supposed to be seen and not heard," she said.

FYI

The Confederate Naval Museum, 101 Fourth Street, contains the remains of two Civil War gunboats. Call 327-9793 for information.

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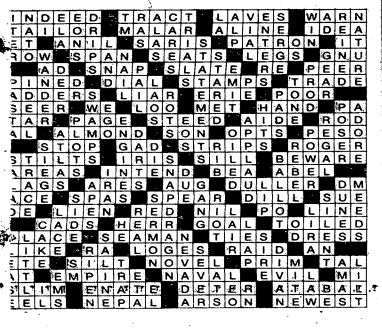

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COMMENTARY

AUSA families will view Victory Focus

The Sledgehammer sub-chapter of the Chattahoochee Valley-Fort Benning Chapter of the Association of the U.S. Army has invited the sub-chapter corporate members and their families to join the 3rd Brigade, 24th Infantry Division on Saturday, March 20, to observe brigade operations in the field during exercise Victory Focus.

Ben Register

Transportation to the field will be provided from the brigade headquarters on Kelley Hill (Building 9050), departing at 10 a.m. and returning at approximately 2 p.m. Lunch will be available.

Other corporate or individual AUSA members are invited to attend.

All attendees are reminded to wear clothes and shoes suitable for field conditions — potential cold, rain, mud, etc. This is an excellent opportunity to see a major combat unit in realistic field training and I encourage you to attend.

In order to complete planning, please contact Betty Garrett at 544-4111 or 544-1432 no later than March 15, giving the number of people in your party, if you desire to attend.

I understand that the training exercise to be observed will be a river crossing by the brigade's 2nd Battalion, 69th Armor.

WELCOME HOME

The entire membership of AUSA and the citizens of the Tri-Community wish to give a grateful WELCOME HOME to the soldiers of the 36th Engineer Group who are returning home this week from Somalia. They have unselfishly given outstanding service to the nation and the U.S. Army in a very difficult and dangerous situation. We want you to know how much we appreciate the sacrifices that you have made and that we are proud of what you have done.

A special word of thanks to the businesses in Columbus that joined with AUSA and the Military Affairs Committee of the Columbus Chamber of Commerce to provide a token of our appreciation to the returning soldiers. Contributions to a welcome home package for each soldier were received from the following companies and organizations:

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APPRECIATION WEEK

During the week of May 10-15, the Chattahoochee Valley-Fort Benning Chapter of the Association of the United States Army will join with the Columbus Chamber of Commerce and Phenix City-Russell County Chamber of Commerce and regional corporate sponsors to celebrate Military Appreciation Week.

Military Appreciation Week will provide an opportunity for the business community and the people of this region to show their appreciation for the military organizations, military personnel and their families, Reserve Component and National Guard personnel, ROTC, Department of the Army civilians, retirees and veterans in the region. The week-long celebration will culminate with the traditional Armed Forces Day picnic at Fort Benning on Saturday, May 15.

Reserve your calendars NOW for this week — details will follow in the near future.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- March 19 — AUSA Chapter hosts the Civilian/Military Affairs Council at the Fort Benning Officers Open Mess.
- March 25 — Drill Sergeant of the Year Award Ceremony, Infantry Training Brigade.
- April 13 — Executive Committee Meeting, Room 642, Infantry Hall.
- May 10-15 — Military Appreciation Week.
- May 19 — Board of Directors Meeting.

Ben Register, a retired lieutenant general, is president of the Chattahoochee Valley-Fort Benning Chapter of the Association of the United States Army (AUSA).

FYI

The Army Emergency Relief offers emergency loans and grants to active duty personnel and family members. Education assistance and emergency food assistance is also available. Officer and staff are located in Building 2642. Call 545-2536, 8 a.m.-Monday through Friday. The Post Staff Duty Officer may be reached after duty hours, weekends and holidays; for disaster relief and life and death emergencies, call 545-2218.

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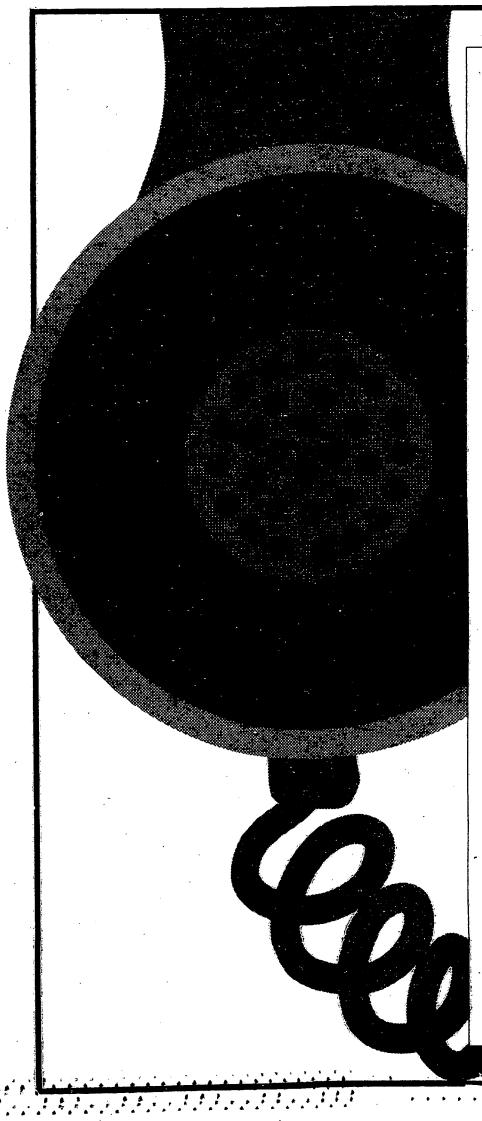

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Troops charged with marking battlefield vehicles with lasers so they'll be easier targets await the start of a combined artillery-air attack that was part of Victory Focus.

Spc. Charles Molton waits for 3rd Brigade 'customers' at a Victory Focus refueling site.

Budget cuts haven't hit training yet

By Clint Claybrook
Staff Writer

Money has not yet gotten so short that it's cutting into the 3rd Brigade, 24th Infantry Division's training plans, said Col. Robert St. Onge, commander of the division.

The 3/24th is now participating in the "Victory Focus," training exercise at Fort Benning. Victory Focus involves about 5,000 troops and carries a price tag of about $2.5 million.

With Victory Focus being followed closely (April or May) by the brigade's visit to the Army's National Training Center at Fort Irwin, Calif. (cost: approximately $7 million), money for training exercis will get tighter.

"I've heard rumors that e era of having as much ammo as you can shoot up is coming to an end," St. Onge said.

But finances are not yet a problem. St. Onge said there was some question how a change in Army accounting methods might affect Victory Fo s.

"But whatever b dget things that are happening ith the new accounting (meth) definitely has not affected t is exercise," he id. "My two major training thin s I have to fund are Victory Fo us and the National Training ter (rotation), and right now ere's ample money."

Last year's bill for the deployment to the NTC wa some $7 million, St. Onge said. "Th year, I think, it'll be a little cheaper."

All of St. Onge's troops, with the exception of the majority of the 2nd Battalion, 18th Infantry force, will make the NTC rotation, he said. The brigade will carry its normal complement of helicopters and military intelligence units from Fort Stewart; the 2nd Battalion, 22nd Infantry (The Triple Deuce) from Fort Drum, N.Y.; an infantry company from Fort Bragg; and an artillery unit from Fort Lewis, Wash.

St. Onge was watching a combined arms training exercise at Concord Outpost on Fort Benning while he chatted with a reporter about the brigade's training dollars.

"This is really a great timing exercise," he explained. During this exercise, the 4th Battalion, 41st Field Artillery and mortars from Headquarters and Headquarters Company were synchronizing their fire with a bombing run by a Navy A-6 Intruder and air attacks by Apache helicopters from Fort Stewart, firing their 2.75-millimeter rockets and 20-millimeter cannon.

The Intruder was dropping dummy bombs. St. Onge said the time may be coming when artillery like his 4th Battalion, 41st Field Artillery and others may have to shoot almost all dummy rounds

Even though the day of shooting dummy rounds in the Four Deuce mortars or the 155 howitzers hasn't yet arrived, St. Onge said, "We've never had as many big bullets (for the TOW missile and other big-bore guns) as we'd like."

Although "ammunition is free" to the brigade at the moment (it's billed to the Army rather than St. Onge's accounts), that may change also as the budget-cutters in Congress take more whacks at the military's money.

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Col. Robert St. Onge, the 3rd Brigade, 24th Infantry Division commander.

IN BRIEF

Faith School students win group media honors

A group of students from Don C. Faith Middle School at Fort Benning received first-place in the group media, junior division, at District History Day at LaGrange College last weekend. The event was sponsored by LaGrange College and the Troup County Historical Society.

The Faith History Club students are Laura Bailey, Melissa Lewis, David Bradley, Nicole Bransford and Christiane Gouveia. Teachers are Mary Barnett and David Bunt.

The students will compete in the state history competition May 1 in Atlanta.

FESTIVAL OF RUNNING: The 1993 Festival of Running is scheduled for Saturday, April 3, on York Field in front of Infantry Hall.

Sponsored by the Fort Benning Officers Wives' Club, the race is open to the public and includes a five-mile run at 8 a.m.; a 13.1-mile five-person relay team (mini-ekiden) at 9 a.m.; a one-miler for children 10 years old and under at 10 a.m.; and a 1.5-miler for children 11 years and up at 10:30 a.m.

Pre-registration for the race will be Monday through Thursday from 10 am. to 2 p.m. at the Crane Hall OWC headquarters. The cost is $6 for children under 14 and $8 for adults. Registration fees after March 31 are $8 for children and $10 for adults. Crane Hall (Building 229) is located at the intersection of Ingersoll Street and Dixie Road.

Race-day registration and check-in are from 6:30 a.m. until 30 minutes before the event entered.

For information on the Festival of Running, call (706) 687-3537 or (706) 682-4967.

HUNT CLUB: Stables, rental horses, trail rides, pony rides and riding classes are available at the Hunt Club on Marne Road.

Hours are Monday through Friday, 2 to 6 p.m.; Saturdays, Sundays and holidays from 9:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Rentals are $12 an hour for non-members, $8 hourly for members.

There is a $10 initiation fee for all members. Members who do not own horses pay $13 a month for dues, while members who board horses pay $18 for dues, plus boarding and feeding fees.

The Fort Benning Hunt Club offers guided trail rides each Sunday. Riders must sign up seven days in advance.

For more information, call 689-3945.

OWC SCHOLARSHIPS: Applications for continuing education, college and vocational and technical scholarships are available at the Officers Wives' Club office (adjacent to the Thrift Shop) Monday through Thursday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

All Officers Wives' Club and Enlisted Wives' Club members and their high school senior children are eligible.

Deadline for submission is March 26. For more information, call Pat Grant at 685-2691.

RED CROSS CLASSES: The following Red Cross classes are scheduled:

- Community cardiopulmonary resuscitation, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. March 17, $20.
- Standard first aid, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., March 17, $20.
- Baby-sitting course for youth, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., March 20, $15.
- Junior lifeguard, 10 to 14 years, date to be announced.

For additional information and registration, call the Red Cross Office at 545-5194 or 545-5117.

SPELLING CHAMP: The 1993 Fort Benning Spelling Bee, sponsored by the Fort Benning Education Association and Atlanta Daily World, was held last month at Richard G. Wilson School.

The winner of the spelling bee was Tearrel Shy, a fifth-grader from Wilbur School. Runner-up in the competition was Heather Arnold, a fifth-grader from Dexter School.

Other students competing in the spelling bee were: Joshua Zeider, Faith School; Johnny Rodriquez, Loyd School; Falon George, White School; and Christopher Hale, Wilson School.

Seven named to Selective Service board

Seven Georgia residents were recently appointed, in the name of the President, as local board members for the Selective Service System.

They are Cynthia M. Stewart-Black of Jonesboro, Aubrey J. Nichols of Clayton, Allen C. LoBean of Clayton, William R. Flewellen of Columbus, William L. Mitchell of Greenville, Roslyn B. Foster of Macon and Frank C. Griffin of Waynesboro.

These individuals will be joining a select group of individuals who are donating time to both their country and to the young men of their respective counties.

The Selective Service System's local boards, although in an inactive status, would be responsible for deciding claims for certain classifications such as conscientious objection, hardship and religious ministry, should a draft be reinstituted by Congress and the President.

Although there is no plan to draft men into the military service at present, there is a need to develop a readiness in the Selective Service System in case a national emergency necessitates such action. As members of a local board, these individuals will begin a comprehensive training program.

Initial training consists of approximately 12 hours of instruction over a two-day period focusing on an intensive orientation to the Selective Service System, the major duties and responsibilities of the local board members, and the procedures to be followed by the board.

In addition to the initial training, they will receive training in changes in the law, regulations, responsibilities and related agency policies and procedures.

There are now 371,379 men registered with Selective Service from Georgia. These young men are fulfilling the legal requirement to register with Selective Service and are thereby accepting an important responsibility of living in this country.

Robins hopes to avoid layoffs

From wire reports

ROBINS AIR FORCE BASE, Ga. — Officials at Robins Air Force Base say they hope an early out retirement program and an incentive plan will help the base avoid some of the 1,050 civilian layoffs requested by the U.S. Air Force.

An aide to U.S. Rep. J. Roy Rowland, D-Ga., said last week that the Air Force has been given permission for the layoffs, or what it calls a "reduction in force."

Maj. Gen. William P. Hallin, commander of the Warner Robins Air Logistics Center, said that a reduction in force has not been approved. Officials hope the voluntary early out and incentive programs will make layoffs unnecessary.

"We would think the voluntary part of the program would get us up to around 700 to 800" workers, Hallin said. A letter has been sent to all base employees outlining the plans.

Under the early out program, employees must retire before March 30. To be eligible for the incentive plan, which will pay a lump sum of up to $25,000 to an employee, workers must apply to the Civilian Personnel Office no later than March 19.

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Not good in conjunction with any other offer. One coupon per customer per visit. No cash value. Offer expires 3-31-93.

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RATES

5 Lines 1 Week $2.75

Private party items for sale by individuals can run 1 week for only $2.75. Commercial ad rates are slightly higher.

DEADLINES

In-column.....5pm Wednesday
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Please check your ad for errors the first week it appears since we can not be responsbile for incorrect ads after the first week of publication. If you find an error or wish to change your ad, please call Classified Advertising as soon as possible at 322-4500.

Advertisements in our FREE column and "found" ads under LOST & FOUND are offered to our customers at no charge.

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A-Z SERVICES

CLEANING SERVICES C3

HELPING HAND Cleaning Service. Need help with housekeeping? Let us help you out! Call us at 568-1009. Reasonable rates!

CHILD CARE C7

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ROOFING R3

★Sweet Pea Roofing★ Reasonable Rates! 14 yrs experience. Call 571-0611

TAX PREPARATION T4

IRS ELECTRONIC Tax Filing. All Federal & GA State Forms. Great Rates. Call M-F, 9-5 for appt. 660-0828

000 ANNOUNCEMENTS

CEMETERY LOTS 010

CEMETERY LOT for sale in St. Johns section at Parkhill, $700/offer. Call 1-800-741-2540

PERSONAL TALK LINES 019

FANTASIES COME TRUE
Listen To Fantasies
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PERSONALS 020

Are You Troubled? Need to talk? Call CONTACT. We care. 24 hrs. Free. 327-3999

035 MERCHANDISE

ANTIQUES 036

CHINA DINNERWARE Limoges, Minton for sale. Call 596-0499 (Columbus).

APPLIANCE SALES 040

All Cycle Heavy Duty washer & dryer, like new, $125 ea. 6 mo. warranty. Free delivery. Call 682-4908

APPLIANCES!
MUST SELL! Name brand big tub washers, dryers, frostless refrigerators, and more previously owned. Great condition. WILL DELIVER! Ask for "MAGIC" 706-561-0579

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COLD REFRIGERATOR
21 cbft./w/ice maker
$175, call 569-5150

Electric Stove
$50/neg. 322-2279

GE Washer & Dryer, like new, white, $225/both. Call 291-1076.

HEAVY DUTY All cycle washer & dryer, excellent condition. $120 each. Can deliver. Call 297-5059

KENMORE WASHER, harvest gold, $75. call 297-6520 for more info.

APPLIANCE SALES 040

Lady Kenmore 90 Series
All cycle washer & dryer. $275. Call 322-8388

LARGE REFRIGERATOR
Manual defrost, $70.
Call 322-5803

LARGE Whirlpool washing machine, works good, $75; white gas dryer, like new, $150. Call 480-9217

REFRIGERATOR 3.8 cu ft., like new, $65.
Call 687-2150

2 Washers, 1 Dryers $75 ea
Refrigerator $100
Stove $60
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CAMERA/ PHOTO 046

Canon A E 1w/50mm 1.8 lens & case, 199A flash & case, OSAWA 28mm 2.8 lens, OSAWA 80-200mm 4.5 lens, camera bag, elevator tripod, $300. 327-4962

CLOTHING 050

SATIN WEDDING DRESS, sz 4, elegant, long chapel train, ruffles, sequins, pearls, short-sleeved, w/veil. $400. After 5:30, 568-4855 or 687-3630.

WEDDING DRESS white with sequins & pearls. Size 7. Originally $900, asking $300. Call 682-5165

COMPUTERS & EQUIP. 052

APPLE IIc, 128 K, monitor, extra 5¼" disc drive, carrying case, Imagewriter I printer, all manuals, Pro DOS PFS & other software. Like new. $670. 322-9035

FURNITURE FOR SALE 058

ANTIQUE CHIFFOROBE
Unique! $125.
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BEDROOM SUITE w/dresser, nightstand, chest of drawers. Also kitchen table w/4 chairs, $225 for everything. Call 569-4280

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With 5 stools, lots of storage, walnut wood panels, 10½ ft long, excellent cond., $300. Call 323-6742

COUCH & Matching Chair, brown tones, $225/best offer. Call 327-7700.

DINING ROOM SUITE, 2 leaves, 6 upholstered chairs, buffet & china cabinet. $700, 324-6464.

KING SIZE BED, Mattress, Box Springs & Frame, $300/best offer. 327-7700

Living Room Suite Sofa, 2 chairs, 2 end tables, 1 coffee table. **Dining room suite,** table with 6 chairs & china cabinet, $550 for both. 568-7635 or 327-2829

NICE SOFA, very large, doesn't match other furniture. $100. Call 323-8889 between 9am-2pm on Tuesday and Thursday.

★★ RECLINER ★★
Rarely used, perfect cond., royal blue, $250.
Call 324-3347

Sectional Sleeper Sofa, multicolored beige, queen size w/footrest, 2½ years old, $650; etagere, $50. 687-7823

SLEEPER SOFA, off white floral print, never used, $300. Call 327-6752.

SOLID OAK, king sz bed w/new mattresses, dresser, mirror & nightstand, $250/best offer. Call 569-8305

FURNITURE FOR SALE 058

3 Cushion Couch, 82 inches, blue & tan striped. Excellent cond. $200. 563-2626

5PC LIVING Room Set, Sofa, chair & rocker, pine end & coffee tables, floral print pillows. $225 or best offer. Call 682-4324.

SPORTS EQUIP. & SUPPLIES 064

Ping Eye 2 irons, 1-sw, $400/offer. Taylor driver, $50. Call 568-4340 aft 6pm

JEWELRY 068

DIAMOND CLUSTER RING 4ct, excellent cond., paid $7995, will sell for ½ price. Call 687-5963

ZONE 4 GEORGIA

MOVING SALE, Sat., March 13, 8:30am-1pm. 106 Dial St., Ft. Benning. Portable dishwasher, small furniture, clothes, etc.

SAT. & SUN., 8am-6pm
Everything goes! Waterbed, clothes, kitchen stuff, anything you might want! 503 Gaines Cir., Ft. Benning.

Yard Sale: Sat. 8-12
500-A Perkins Street
Corner of Perkins & Yeager

MACHINERY TOOLS 070

(1) Ladder rack, $100
(1) Eng. stand, $75
Call 297-5952

THE BENNING LEADER "FREE FIFTY" COUPON

Free **CLASSIFIED ADS FOR ITEMS UNDER $50.00**

The Benning Leader is now offering free classified ads for items totaling less than $50.00 in value. Ads will run 3 lines for one week and only ads on this original coupon form can be accepted. This coupon will run every week in The Benning Leader.

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MEDICAL SUPPLIES 074

BROWN LIFT CHAIR
New, used once. $250.
Call 322-6985

MISC. FOR SALE 076

ATTENTION SKIERS: End of season bargain! Kneissl skis #195; boots 9½-10, French made; poles & mask. $50 for all. 561-3111 anytime.

BLUE DANUBE CHINA, 20 pc. service for 4, missing 1 saucer. $125. Call 297-2419

BOY'S BIKE 20", $25. (2) Infant Strollers, $30ea. Infant Carrier & Stairwell Gate $10ea. Call 689-4765.

CAR TRAILER All steel, no wood, 8000lb capacity. Real nice! Many extras! $950/neg. Call after 4pm wkdays & all day wkends, 912-887-3537.

CD PLAYER, $60; sewing machine with cabinet, $50; Soloflex with all attachments, $600 or best offer. Call 689-0997

CHANGING TABLE for baby, $30; (1) leather briefcase, $30; foot locker, $10; toilet training chair, $10; interior safety gate for infants, $10; (2) racquet ball racquets, $20 for both; 3 speed bicycle, $50. Call 563-6186

Curtis Mathes 25" console color TV w/remote, $300. Call 298-1632

Dishwasher, $100; baby bed & mattress, $50; baby stroller, $25; chest of drawers, $20; sm. blk & wht TV, $25. All good cond. 561-2352

Encyclopedia Americana
30 volumes, almost like new, $450/offer. Call 682-1611

Frigidaire Heavy Duty washer & dryer, $100 each; Westinghouse freezer, upright, $100; Apple II Plus Computer, $80. 682-7611

HEADSTROM Swingset with fort, 1 year old. Selling for $50. Call 291-0051.

Large Living Room Carpet, beige, excellent cond. $80. Call 689-4374 lv. msg.

Martin Cooker, compound bow, fully rigged, $120; man's 10sp bike, $20; coffee table, $10; lamp, $10; women's clothing, sz. 7/8, girls' sz. 12/14, & boys' sz. 5/6, all nice. 298-5036

METAL OFFICE DESK, 80", $30; large solid oak round table, 60", $35; kitchen cabinet, 54x24", $40. Call 298-1455

MOVING SALE 3 pc. full sz. BR suite, $200; 3 pc. bunk bed set including chest of drawers & desk, $225; entertainment center, $60; desk, $100; many misc. items. Call 563-4702

NINTENDO GAMEBOY
2 games. 1 months old. $75.
Call 297-7145

NINTENDO w/15 games, 2 guns, 2 paddles, all hook ups, $200/offer. ATARI, 15 games, 2 paddles, $30; Murray 10sp bike, needs back rim, $15. Call 682-3557

OLYMPIC Style 310lb Weight Set w/bench, cap. 500lb, like new, $300. 596-0858.

PLAYHOUSE
New, 4' x 7' sturdy wood construction, $250.
Call 323-3115

QUEEN mattress & box springs, 1 year old, $175.
Call 569-1649

QUEEN SIZE mattress & box springs, good cond., $75.
Call 324-7229 before 5pm

RIDING LAWN MOWER
Like new condition
$400, call 689-2019

SEARS KENMORE portable dishwasher, almost new, $250. Console stereo hi-fi, $40. Call 563-0391

SUPER SINGLE
size waterbed, $75.
Call 568-6511

TWO VCRs for sale. One for $75 and one for $80. Call Mike, 291-7862 after 5pm.

3 BICYCLES, 10 Speed, 1 Male & 2 Females. $40ea or all 3 for $100. Very good condition. Call 685-2620 between 10am-9pm.

MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS 078

D. REDDING MUSIC
Beallwood Conn./50th St.
Crate G60 amp, $250. Hohner Les Paul, $450. 596-1260

FENDER H.M.III, Squier Guitar with locking tremola. Paid $600, asking $300.
Call 563-7397.

PAINO FOR SALE
$700/best offer
Call 689-2383

MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS 078

YAMAHA Upright Piano, excellent condition, $700. Call 324-6464.

RESTAURANT EQUIPMENT 081

600 LB ICE MACHINE
$900, call H# 327-0324, W# 322-3888 or B# 324-8405

TV-VIDEO STEREO SALES 096

CARVER M240 Amp & Pro-Series Pyle Drivers Speakers, 2-Twelves & 4-Tens, like new, $350 for all, will sell sep. 596-0858

GE CONSOLE TV & remote control, 23" color, beautiful cabinet, $250/best offer. Call 327-7700.

27" Color Console TV, 2 months old, paid $630, asking $400. 568-0381

MERCHANDISE WANTED 098

CASH FOR GOOD USED UNWANTED ITEMS
TVs, Stereos, Baby Beds, furniture. We also have adult gag gifts. Waters Junk, 929 Ft. Benning Rd. 687-6761. Cash paid.

BARGAIN COLUMN 099

DESERT STORM
Card victory set, $25.
Call 561-2419

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PETS, FARM & GARDEN

LIVESTOCK 110

AT STUD AQHA Sorrel, flex mane, own son, Jakes Million, 15.3 hands, throws much white, 250/150, LFG. Kay Evans, 912-649-7885

2 HORSE TRAILER
heavy duty, $600.
Call 912-649-7885

PETS 122

Adorable Pure Breed Cockers golden & silver buff, $150; party mix, $200. 682-7611

AKC Cocker Spaniels
All shots, wormed
$125 - $175. Call 687-1540

AKC DALMATIANS, Call Gene Connell after 7 p.m. 912-336-0959 Sale City, GA.

AKC Dalmatian puppies, 8wks., Top English-American champion, shots, wormed, $300up. 561-2604

AKC German Shepherd, female, 9 weeks, Sire has C.D.X. & is O.F.A., $200. Call 706-884-2005

AKC Rottweiler Pups: $350 each, parents on premises. Call 687-4037 aft 1:00 pm

ALL BREED
Dog Training Academy
563-6568

AUSTRALIAN Shepherds, Reg., born 2/24/93, males $75, females $100. 297-4733

CFA Seal point himalayans, 6wks, wormed, pedigree papers, $150. Call 561-4531

English Bulldog, female, 7 wks, see to appreciate, shots/wormed, $350. 298-8738

LAB MIX PUPS Chocolate & black, 6 wks. old, $20ea. Call 563-4786

NANDAY CONURE, great personality, 4mos, w/cage, $230. Call 855-9019 (local)

Pure Breed Lab Pups
3 blk., 3 yellow, 7 wks. Call 687-0139

Ringneck Parakeets Hand fed, super tame, talking. Male & female pair w/lg preview cage & nest box. $200. (205) 705-0749.

SIBERIANHUSKIES, 2 males, 9 wks. old, blue eyes, $150 ea. Call 561-4554

T-Cup or Toy Poodle; Very Tiny Maltese; Dachshund; Sheltie. $125 & up. 323-4642

YELLOW LAB: 16wks, all shots, AKC reg., $300/best offer. Call 563-4703

20 Gallon Aquarium complete set-up, $50; mated pair of Red Oscars, 10 inches long, suitable for 40 long aquarium or larger, $50 for pair. Call 297-4909 aft 6pm

PETS-LOST & FOUND 127

HAVE YOU LOST YOUR PET? Please contact the Muscogee County Humane Society at 7133 Sacerdote Lane, off Schatulga Road, 706-563-4929 or the Russell County Humane Society at 205-298-0080.

REWARD- LOST: Ft. Benning area. White bulldog w/red collar & tags, 685-9673

YOU CAN HELP SAVE A PET
Call our 24-hour hotline for lost & found pets. 480-3355 (local call for Columbus and Phenix City residents).

FREE COLUMN ANIMALS 130

ADORABLE black kitten, needs loving home.
Please call 689-9196

Cocker Spaniel, female, blonde, spayed & housebroken. 682-6240 after 6pm.

MIXED BREED puppies, free to good home.
297-4399 after 6pm.

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THREE MIXED breed pups, part Chow, 3mos old; one 12mo old. Call 576-5924.

FRUITS & VEGETABLES 132

IMPROVED VARIETY of sugar cane for seed. 25¢ per stalk. Call 912-838-4474 or 561-4643

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EMPLOYMENT

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Abbreviations 202

Below you will find a listing of common employment abbreviations which you may find in our classified advertisements. We hope this will help your decision-making process.

experience - exp.
technician - tech.
commercial driver's license - CDL
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service - svc.
assistant - asst.
system - sys.
references - ref.
required - req.
words per minute - wpm
secretary - sec'y
weekends - wkends
section - sec.
superintendent - super
Monday-Friday - M-F
Male/Female - M/F
Veterans/Handicapped - V/H
Equal Employment Opportunity - EEO
Affirmative Action - AA
experienced - exp.
department - dept.

MANAGEMENT EMPLOYMENT 210

ACME BOOT COMPANY

Is now seeking qualified applicants for our Boot Country Store in the Peachtree Mall. We will be offering management opportunities as well as full time and part time sales. If this career opportunity sounds interesting to you we will be interviewing Saturday 3/13 from 2-8 p.m. and Sunday 3/14 from 1-5 p.m. Please bring resume when applying. No phone calls will be accepted.

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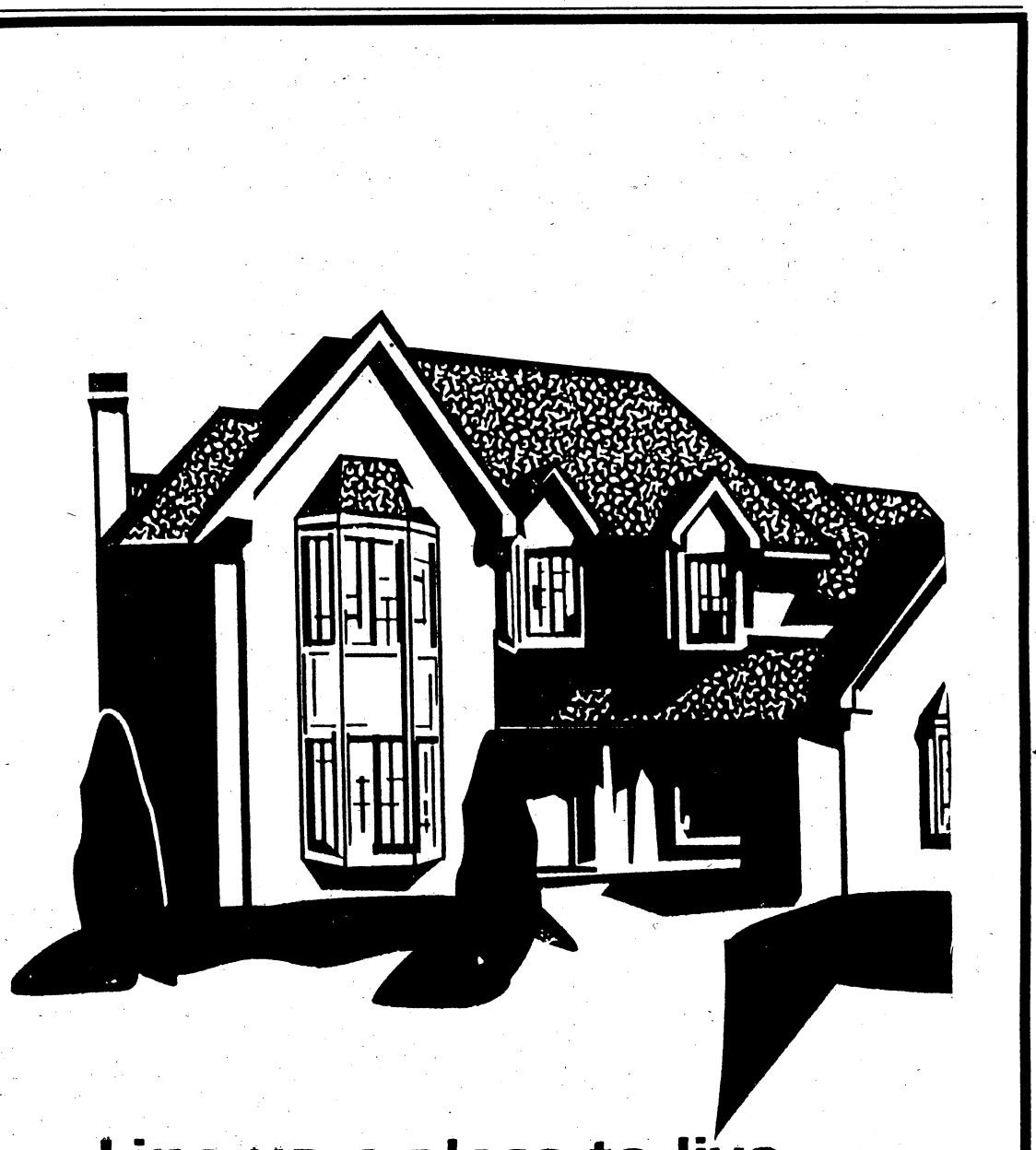

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CLASSIFIEDS 322-4500

RESTAURANTS & CLUBS 212

Full & Part Time Servers wanted. Call Mon.-Fri. 9am-3pm, 596-9575

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WAIT STAFF NEEDED
Country's Off Macon Rd

Now hiring personable (day shift only) wait staff. Apply in person between: 9:00 A.M. - 10:00 A.M. and 2:00 P.M. - 4:00 P.M.

JOB LISTINGS/ DIRECTORIES 215

★ **POSTAL JOBS** ★
Postal service to accept applications from Vets and soon to be discharged Vets.

- $23,700 per yr
- Veteran preference
- Full benefits
- No layoffs

For an application and exam information, call 219-736-4715, ext. M-280, 9am to 9pm, 7 days.

HELPWANTED GENERAL 216

AVON No door-to-door sales necessary! Local 563-5005; other areas 1-800-338-5870

A BETTER JOB...
... is available to people who can read. If you know someone whose job potential is limited because he can't read, tell him that reading help is free, confidential and available. The Columbus number to call is 404-682-2662; elsewhere, call 1-800-228-8813.

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EARN EXTRA INCOME STUFFING ENVELOPES
Start now. No prior exp. Free supplies, information. No obligation. Send S.A.S.E. to: **HI-LO Dist. 3208-C East Colonial Dr. #314-S, Orlando, FL 32803**

Earn $7 to $10 per hour
Working for Domino's Pizza
Apply at 2509 Crawford Rd. Phenix City, after 3pm. 297-7801

HELPWANTED GENERAL 216

GIRLS WANTED

from GA and Alabama between 7-19 to compete in this years 5th Annual 1993 Atlanta Pageants. Over $20,000 in prizes & scholarships. Call today. 1-800-Pageant, ext 4311 (1-800-724-3268)

LOSERS WANTED
Lose 10-180 lbs. & make $. Will power & a bottle. 100% guar. Dr. recommended. **404-631-8833, 404-631-1356**

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OPPORTUNITY!!
Fast growing environmental & educational company seeking self-motivated individuals to expand in the local area and internationally. Six figure income potential. Ladies welcome. Send resume to: P.O. Box 4026, Columbus, GA 31904 or call 706-324-6161.

PIECE WORK, $170 part time, $350 full time, making golf and kitchen items. Call Norma 313-242-1234.

PIZZA HUT
PRODUCTION & DRIVERS NEEDED
Full time & part time. Apply at 5751 Milgen Rd

SALES HELP wanted. Apply at Hartmans Formal Wear in Peachtree Mall. No phone calls, please.

HELP WANTED PART-TIME 218

** **AVON** ** Needs Reps in your area! Training/Support. Call 1-800-329-AVON.

PERFECT PART-TIME JOB
Sales Assistant, Hrs: 8:30-1:30, must have clerical and computer skills. Must work well on telephone. Send resume to: Safeguard Business Systems, P.O. Box 9363, Columbus, GA 31908

OFFICE CLERICAL 222

PART-TIME Secretary for attorney. Must have excellent secretarial skills to include Wordperfect 5.1. Please send resume to: Box 286 c/o Ledger Enquirer, P. O. Box 711, Columbus, GA. 31902-0711.

Project Coordinator on-site at Ft. Benning. Immed. opening for sec/clerical/acctg. background, computer knowledge of Lotus 1-2-3, Word Perfect 5.1. Min. 2-3 yrs exp. in office background. Good salary & benefit package. Fax resumes to (904) 872-9609 or mail to: Attn: 7000, P.O. Box 437, Panama City, FL 32402 EOE/AA.

PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT 224

WGSY-FM COLUMBUS, GEORGIA
seeks two full-time Announcers. Minimum one year experience required. Females & minorities encouraged. Send tapes and resume to: David McManus, Operations Manager, WGSY-FM, P.O. Box 2127, Columbus, GA 31902. **EOE**

SALES 226

HOW TO RETIRE AND STILL BE IN ACTIVE SERVICE

Many retired members of the armed forces have found a rewarding, exciting new career as representatives of the Mutual of Omaha Companies. For example, our Military Sales Division offers an opportunity to continue working with the people you know best. The size and diversity of our organization provide wide-ranging opportunities in many fields of insurance and financial services. ★ You can earn while you learn in our thorough training program. There's no ceiling on your achievements - how much you make is up to you. And you'll have the pride and assurance of representing an internationally known and respected leader in the insurance industry. ★ For more information as to how well you'll fit as a Mutual of Omaha Companies representative, call 322-3962.

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SKILLS & TRADES 228

ASST. MECHANIC WANTED
Must have golf course exp. and own tools. Salary negotiable depending on experience. Apply at:
Grand National Golf Course
3000 Sunbelt Parkway
Opleika, AL. 36801
(205) 742-9551
Mon-Fri, 7:00am - 2:30pm

DRIVABILITY TECHNICIAN
Needed for modern, high volume, high tech shop. Good work environment, unlimited future. Apply in person only, 1609 Manchester Exp., Columbus, GA.

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FINANCIAL

BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIY 410

OVERDUE BILLS?
Cut your monthly payments up to 50%! **1-800-226-0190.**

SNACK VENDING ● Poss. $950. wkly ◆ Start P/T ◆ Min. Inv. $4,975 ◆ 800-330-9995.

VENDING ROUTE For Sale Collect $100-$200 cash daily. No selling. **1-800-723-7800**

BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIY 410

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Ledger-Enquirer Classified Ads Call 322-4500

VENDING ROUTE ● Priced Right ● Poss. $850 Wkly Income ● 800-780-8882.

MONEY TO LEND 414

High-risk lenders will fund any worthwhile project! Consolidate debts, start a new business, Military personnel welcome. Call weekdays for immediate help: 800-348-8460.

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REAL ESTATE RENTALS

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bedroom - BR
bathroom - BA
dining room - DR
living room - LR
greatroom - GR
fireplace - FP
central heat/air-cent. h/a
washer/dryer - w/d connections-w/d conn.
refrigerator - fridge
available - avail.
north - N.
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Columbus - Cols.
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UNFURNISHED APTS. GA 520

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UNFURNISHED APTS. AL 521

★★ **NICE ONE** ★★
Lots of extras, utilities on, $400mo, Seale area. 291-2737

UNFURNISHED HOUSES GA 526

AIRPORT AREA
4 BR, 3 full bath home on tree shaded lot. New paint and carpet. 6318 Birling Dr. $855. 1-706-582-3760.

FOUR BR 2 BA brick home, Available now. $300 dep., rent $541. 1845 Pinevalley Ct. 322-1057, Linda

Nice 2BR Off North Lumpkin Rd. 210 Thornton Dr. 298-3275 or 297-6254.

2BR BRICK, LR w/FP, den, 1½BA, stove, fridge, cent h/a. 914 Illges Rd, $465 mo. + $400 dep. 297-4477

RESORT RENTALS 534

PANAMA CITY BEACH, waterfront condo. sleeps 6, $50 a night. $300 wk. Call owner, 904-785-0400.

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REAL ESTATE SALES

REAL ESTATE SERVICES 601

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TOWNHOUSES & CONDOS 612

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HOMES FOR SALE AL 614

BY OWNER: 2BR, 1BA, living room & den, $35,000. Call 297-9234

BY OWNER
20 acres fenced pasture, creek, hay barn, 3BR brick home, screened porch, double carport, hwy. frontage, in Hurtsboro, AL. 205/667-7562, 667-7454, 667-7819.

CASTLEWOOD
A new S/D located just blocks from Smiths High School, AL. Large level wooded lots. Homes start in upper $60's. Builder will pay all closing costs. Pick your lot & floor plan. Total pymts start at $540. **Call BOB or LIS for more info, 682-3330 or 327-1194.**
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HOMES FOR SALE GA 616

BY OWNER- Close to Ft. Benning, 3BR brick, $49,900. Call 327-8857

By Owner, NORTH, 4BR, 2BA, GR, LR, DR, 1875 sq ft. heated, dbl. carport, lg. lot, $78,500. 569-0035

BY OWNER, 3BR, 2BA, large country kitchen, 4 yrs. young, in great cond. Bridlewood S/D. 563-4888.

BY OWNER 3705 13th Ave. 3BR 1BA, low equity, non-qual. 576-4875 Owner/Agent

Cottonwood Plantation-By owner. Large vaulted greatroom, split floor plan, 3BR, 2BA, $94,000. 569-9734

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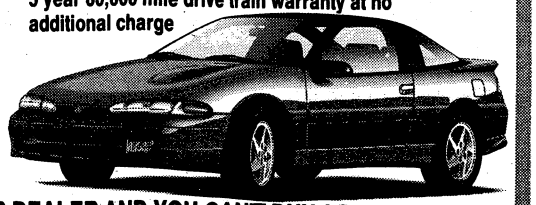
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HOMES FOR SALE GA 616

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And assume total pymt of **$368 mo.** 3BR, 2BA home, zoned commercial, completely remodeled, new roof, paint, carpet, cent. heat. Call **BOB BLACKMON, 682-3330 or 327-1194**

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A new S/D located just blocks from Smiths High School, AL. Large level wooded lots. Homes start in upper $60's. Builder will pay all closing costs. Pick your lot & floor plan. Total pymts start at $540. **Call BOB or LIS for more info, 682-3330 or 327-1194.**

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HOMES FOR SALE GA 616

Non-qualifying equity & assume $799. payments. Bridlewood Subd. 569-6602

NORTH, completely remodeled 3BR, 1½BA, cent. h/a, lg. fenced corner lot. $54,500, w/insulated storage shed. Without shed, $53,500. 323-8148, 561-2965

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NORTH: Two story, brick, 2200 sqft, 3br, 2ba, kitc/dining, lr, den/family, $76K. Closing & attorney pd. For appt. call 322-8018 or 561-6259 evenings only!

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HERITAGE HOMES

4BR, 2BA, 20 x 25' family room, fenced yd., River Road School Dist.
OPEN HOUSE
March 13th, 14th
2:00pm - 5:00 pm
Call 327-9919
5041 Abbot Ave.

700
MOBILE HOMES

MOBILE HOMES FOR SALE 710

MOBILE HOME, must sell immediately. Assume or payoff, $15,500. 2 BR, 2BA, 5 yrs. old. Can be seen in Buena Vista. Call 912-649-7688 after 5:30 only. Owner at 804-467-3450.

TIDWELL '85 14 x 52, 2BR, cent. h/a, appl. incl. Clean. Exc. cond. $6900. 327-8997

MOBILE HOMES FOR RENT 714

ATTENTION RETIRED MOBILE HOME OWNERS
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MOBILE HOMES FOR RENT 714

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A Nice 2BR, washer/dryer, central heat, Furn, a/c. $235 mo. 561-8684/563-5491

CUSSETA, GA. 2BR, 2BA, partly furn., $250mo. + $250dep. For appt. 687-6890

TWO MONTHS FREE RENT! 1, 2 & 3BR avail. Close to Post, Cols. & P.C. Also lots avail. 855-3486, 9-8.

2BR, 2BA includes util., cent. heat, AC, washer. Pets allowed. Near Victory, near Post. $90 weekly. 685-8249

800
RECREATIONAL VEHICLES

BOATS 810

Bass Boat '90 Skeeter 18½', w/trailer, 175HP Mercury, $9000. 561-7850/561-0402

Bass Bomber: 16ft, depth finder, heavy duty trailer, good cond., $850. 561-0012

BASS & SKI 17ft tri-hull, '86 Mariner, 75HP, power trim & tilt, 18 gal tank, walk-thru, new convertible top, Thruster trolling motor & trailer. Like new! $3600. 571-8857 aft 8PM or 682-0423.

Cheetah 166 '85, 17½' fish & ski boat, w/115hp Mercury outboard, $4300. 569-1942

Cheetah 166 '85, 17½' fish & ski boat, 1979 Rebuilt Mercury outboard, new power trim. Call 569-1942

HOUSEBOAT: '88 Aqua Cruiser, completely furn., $25,600. Call 912-887-3615

Skeeter Bass SF175SX Boat 150 Mercury, good cond., $6500. Call 298-8147

STRATOS '90, 201-Pro, XT 200 Evinrude, trailer w/brakes, $13K. Call 569-5044

'84 VECTOR Bass Boat, 17', 115 HP Merc. Motor guide. Trolling motor. Good cond. $4500. 660-0900

BOATS 810

WANTED: Small Jon Boat w/oars & trolling mtr. Reasonable. Will pick up. Call Sidney 665-3485

15½' '86 BAYLINER, with trailer, 85 HP, $3800/make offer. 563-1906

16' Alm. Monark Bass Boat & trailer, good cond., $1000. Call 706-322-1302

18' SKEETER Bass Boat, 150HP Merc, 2 depth finders, very sharp! $8900. 596-0858

1984 V-HULL BOAT & trailer, needs motor, $900/negotiable. 855-4456 local.

MOTOR HOMES FOR SALE 818

Winnebago Chieftain '71, 27', self-contained, Class A, 48K mi, new trans. Exc. cond. $8000 or best offer. Call 298-8395

CAMPERS & TRAILERS 820

LEER CAMPER SHELL For full size, long bed pick-up truck, $50. Call 687-1540

TRAVEL TRAILER Needs work! $350/negotiable. Call 855-4456 local.

CAMPING EQUIP & SUPPLIES 824

Campground membership, CCC & RPI affiliated, paid $3200, sacrifice $695, 1-800-486-3015.

MOTORCYCLES FOR SALE 828

Archie's Harley-Davidson New & used bikes, parts, & motor clothes. 324-4294

BMW 500 CC '71, 2 owners, 1 family, 5,000 mi., exc. cond., $3500/offer. Call 685-4317

HONDA 750 '79, Limited Edt., very good cond., $1400. Call 569-0803

Kawasaki ZX6 Ninja '92, black & silver, Stage 1 Jet kit, Vance & Hines headers, under 1500 mi, serviced, like new. Must sell! $6000 neg. 689-6104, James or Tammy

SUZUKI GS 450 '81, looks & runs exc., some new parts, super nice! Customized & ready to ride. Asking $900/best offer. Call Chris at 480-0017 or 297-0312.

900
TRANSPORTATION

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power steering - ps
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power brakes - pb
power door locks - pdl
automatic - auto
speed - sp
miles/mileage - mi
pickup truck - p/u
horsepower - hp
miles per gallon - mpg
air conditioner - air
convertible - conv.
door - dr
engine - eng.
excellent condition-exc cond
cassette - cass.
Chevrolet - Chevy
long bed - lb
short bed - sb
transmission - trans.
four wheel drive - 4wd
service records - svc. rec.
Volkswagen - VW
Continential - Cont.
Mercury - Merc.
original owner - orig. owner
high performance - hi-pro
conversion van - conv. van
aluminum - alum.
equipment - equip.
payments - pymts.
interior - int.
exterior - ext.
negotiable - neg.
cylinder - cyl.
extras - X-tras
dealer - dlr
front wheel drive - fwd
leave message - lv. msg.
factory warranty-fact. wrnty

TRUCKS 914

AWESOME!
'56 Ford Shortbed P/U, $1000. Call 568-4467.

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Chevy Silverado '84, V8, auto, a/c, pw, pl, 51K, like new, $5900/FIRM. Call 569-7499

TRUCKS 914

DATSUN King Cab 4x4 '82
1 owner, $3500.
689-0604

Isuzu Trooper LS '88
Auto, air. Great shape!
Call 297-6979 lv msg

ISUZU 1986
$1500 Or Best Offer
Call 327-7036

MAZDA '88, SE5 P/U 5spd, am/fm cass., low milage, extra clean, $5200. 322-0041

'91 MAZDA B-2600 LE 5 4X4, low miles, exc. cond. $10,900. Call 568-1294

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NISSAN '84, $1800
687-2267 or 568-6558

OLDS 88 '71, 350 V8, auto, ps, a/c, pb, 75K mi. Best car around for the money! $695. 297-5146

PATHFINDER SE '89 black, loaded, sacrifice. Call 322-8994 lv. msg.

S-10 '86
4cyl, a/c, $2500
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'89 FORD BRONCO II XLT
Fact. air, pw, ps, pb, am/fm cass. $7995. **Call J.R., 322-8888, ext. 500**

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TRUCK SERVICE PARTS, ACC 916

Leer Truck Top with built in tool boxes, for long bed truck. Paid $700, will sell for $400. Call 291-9720

BUSES/VANS FOR SALE 922

AEROSTAR XLT '90, loaded, like new, auto, air-front & rear, SWB, 44K mi, $9750/neg. 689-5388

AEROSTAR '89, 2 tone blue/grey, exc. cond., loaded, $6800. Call 327-7849

BUSES/VANS FOR SALE 922

'89 CHEVY ASTRO VAN
Customized, pw, pdl, tilt, cruise, ps, pb, a/c. $11,995. **Call J.R., 322-8888, ext. 500**

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Chevy Astro '90, a/c, deep tinted windows, exc. cond., low miles, $10,865. 685-4317

DODGE Grand Caravan LE '90 must see! Call 568-4914

'88 DODGE Mini Conversion, loaded, extra clean, $6850. Call 568-7861.

POST OFFICE VAN
'74 model, AMC eng., $800. Call 323-4398

JEEPS FOR SALE 924

JEEP CHEROKEE CHIEF '84, 2dr, 4x4, auto, air, ps, pb, $4995. Call 298-1420.

JEEP CHEROKEE '85
Sunroof, 4 door, auto, blue, 2.5 liter. $3500 or best offer. 563-9194

JEEP CJ5 '80, red, soft & bikini top, 2 lift kit, $4000. Call 298-4387

AUTO SERVICE PARTS, ACC 926

Holley 800 C.F.M. carburetor, double pumper, like new, $125. 323-8498

AUTOS FOR SALE 930

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BUICK REGAL '80,
$1000 or best offer.
call 563-3099

1991 CADILLAC
Sedan DeVille. Loaded w/all options, pw, pdl, tilt, cruise, am/fm stereo cass., leather interior. $19,465. **Call Steve Hardin, 322-8888, ext. 500**

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CADILLAC '82, Fltw, d'elegance, white, clean, good cond., 118K, new Gen. tires, 2nd owner, $3250. 561-1306

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CAMARO Z-28 '82
Good cond., $2500/offer. Call 569-9884

CAMARO 1987, new trans., struts, tires & brakes. Red w/blk interior. $1500 dn, assume pymts. Less than 1 yr left. 569-9542

Chevrolet Biscayne '67, runs good, 283 engine, $350. Call 297-6520

CHEVY IMPALA, 1978, good condition, $500 or make offer. Call 480-0752.

ONE OWNER
'90 Chrysler Landau. Auto., ps, pb, a/c, pw, pdl, am/fm stereo. $10,995. **Call Steve Hardin, 322-8888, ext. 500**

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COUGAR '84 Excellent cond., tinted windows, loaded, $2900. 297-3442 aft.6:30pm

DODGE OMNI '83
$600. Call 324-6121

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FORD PINTO '75 4 spd, 4 cylinder, runs good. $500. Call 322-7710

FORD TAURUS Wagon '90, 73,000 mi., exc cond., $6900. Call (205) 768-3797.

FORD TAURUS WAGON '90, 65K mi., exc. cond., $8500. Call 569-6259

FORD VICTORIA '56, 2dr., 292 T-Bird eng., auto., Must sell. $4000. 323-6551

GEO METRO '92, 5spd, air, radio, 18,000 mi, take pymts $227 or $7000. 323-3304

Grand Am '88 good cond. Must sell. Stereo, air, p/s, p/w, cruise. $4200. 568-3622

GRAND AM '89 $6000 Call 561-3692, 9am-5pm

Honda Prelude SI '86 loaded & in excellent cond. $4900/best offer. 563-8418.

Lincoln Continental '90, Signature Series, loaded, exc cond, $13,000. 298-3397

1979 LTD 68,000 miles. $2195 or best offer. Call 298-9654

MAZDA 323 '87, 2dr, a/c, $4500. Financing available. Call 323-3248

Mazda 929 S '91, black w/tan leather int., $17,800. call 561-8241 after 6:30pm.

ONE OWNER

'92 Mercury Grand Marquis. 4dr, pw, pdl, tilt, cruise, am/fm stereo. $16,995. **Call Hal Maloof, 322-8888, ext. 500**

Bill Heard Oldsmobile

ONE OWNER

1990 Nissan Maxima. Auto., a/c, pw, ps, loaded. Only 29K mi. $12,995. **Call Paul Lucas, 322-8888, ext. 500**

Bill Heard Oldsmobile

NISSAN 300 ZX '90, loaded, exc. cond., 5 spd, $16,000. Call 682-6549

HARD TO FIND

'92 Olds Bravada. All wheel drive, loaded, list new, $27,600, now $19,465. **Call Hal Maloof, 322-8888, ext. 500**

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1989 OLDS CUTLASS

Supreme. Auto., a/c, ps, pb, am/fm stereo. $7895. **Call Paul Lucas, 322-8888, ext. 500**

Bill Heard Oldsmobile

OLDS '77, 4dr, exc. engine & trans. Good work car! $395. Call 322-1293

Plymouth Duster '74, reliable car, needs brakes & battery, $600 or best offer. Must sell. 571-3246 anytime, ask for Sharon.

PLYMOUTH FURY '75 2 door, HT, auto, radio, runs good. $495. 660-8846

PONTIAC GRAND PRIX '78, air, ps, pdl, low mileage, $1500. 561-7638, 324-3076

1971 PONTIAC VENTURA, auto, ps, $750 or best offer. Call 327-7036.

SENTRA WAGON '87, 5sp, a/c, am/fm cass., exc. cond., $3200. Call 569-1190

AUTOS FOR SALE 930

SATURN of COLUMBUS

'85 FORD TEMPO GL 4dr, auto., a/c, cass., low mi. $2783
'87 HYUNDAI EXCEL GLS 5sp, a/c, cass., 69,173 mi. $2789
'85 HONDA CIVIC 5sp, a/c, cass., sunroof..$2879
'88 OLDS CUTLASS CIERA Auto., ps, tilt, cass., a/c $3898
'90 FORD ESCORT Auto., ps, a/c, am/fm stereo $4832
'90 CHEVROLET CAVALIER Auto., ps, a/c, am/fm radio $5385
'90 PONTIAC SUNBIRD 2dr, auto., a/c, tilt, cass. $5998
'85 FORD BRONCO II XLT Auto., a/c, pw, pdl, tilt, am/fm stereo..... $4999
'90 FORD AEROSTAR XL Van, auto., a/c, ps, pw, power seat, tilt, am/fm stereo..... $8854
'92 BUICK CENTURY V/6, auto., ps, a/c, pw, pdl, am/fm stereo..... $10,680
'92 NISSAN SENTRA Auto., ps, a/c, am/fm radio, 13K mi..... $8677
'91 SATURN SL2 5sp, ps, a/c, tilt, cruise, pw, pdl, am/fm stereo..... $10,259
'92 SATURN SL A/C, ps, tilt, cass..... $9688
'91 GMC SONOMA SLX Ext. Cab P/U, V/6, 5sp, a/c, tilt, cruise, cass..... $8689
'91 BUICK REGAL Limited Auto., pw, a/c, tilt, pdl, cruise, power seat/mirrors, cass., 25,518 mi..... $11,890

1819 Midtown Dr. 563-4500

TOWN CAR '90 low miles, 1 owner, loaded! Call 322-5037

Toyota Camry LE '89, V6, great cond. Must Sell! **Good Buy!** Call 568-7255

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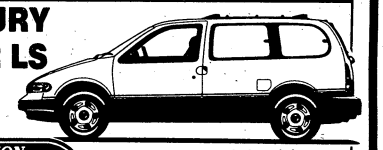

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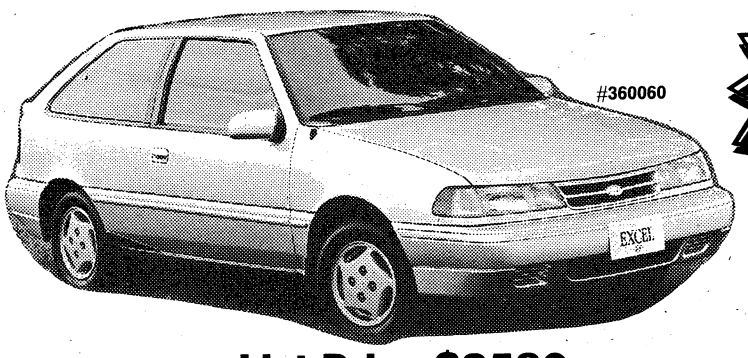

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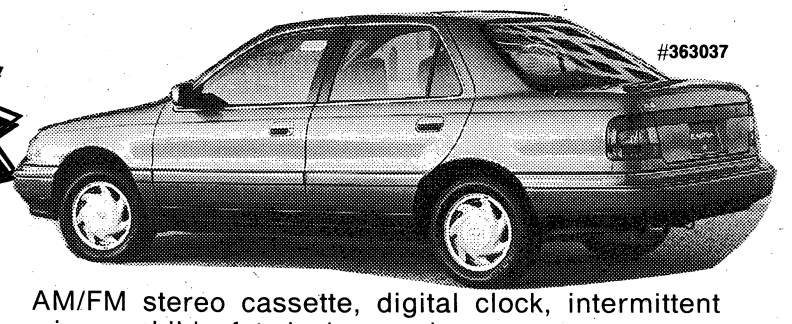

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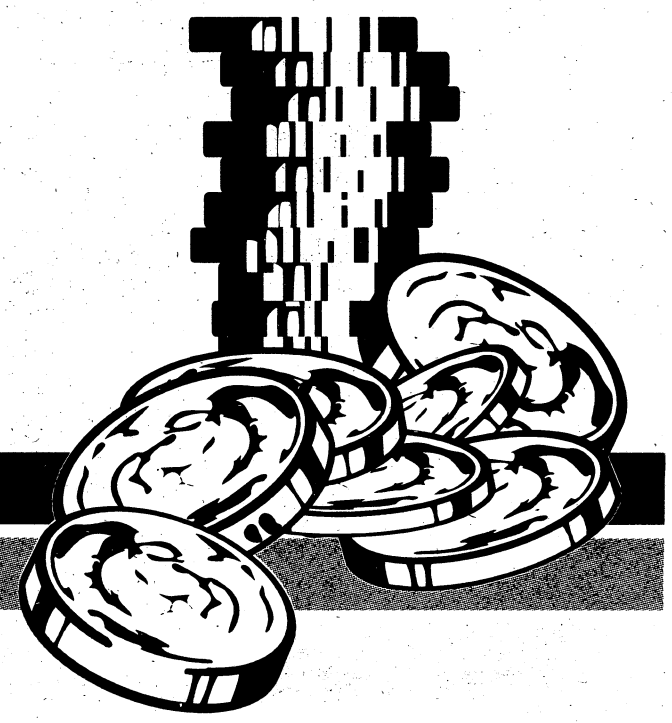

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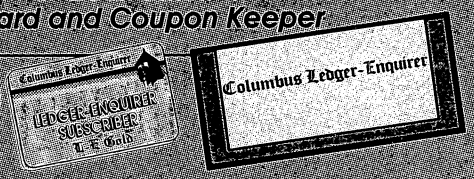

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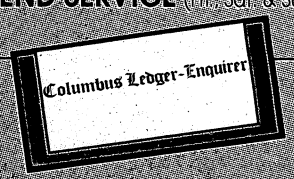

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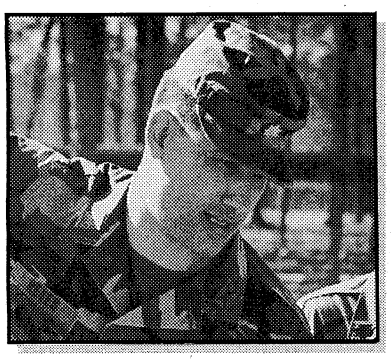

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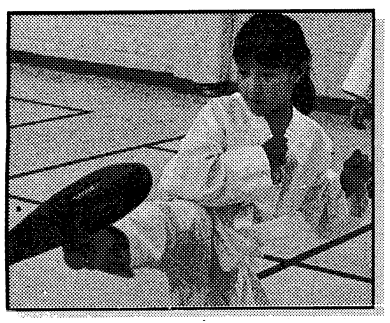

Fort Benning tae kwon do coach Staff Sgt. Ed Givans has a few simple requirements of his students — like reaction, timing, discipline and confidence. **Page 16**

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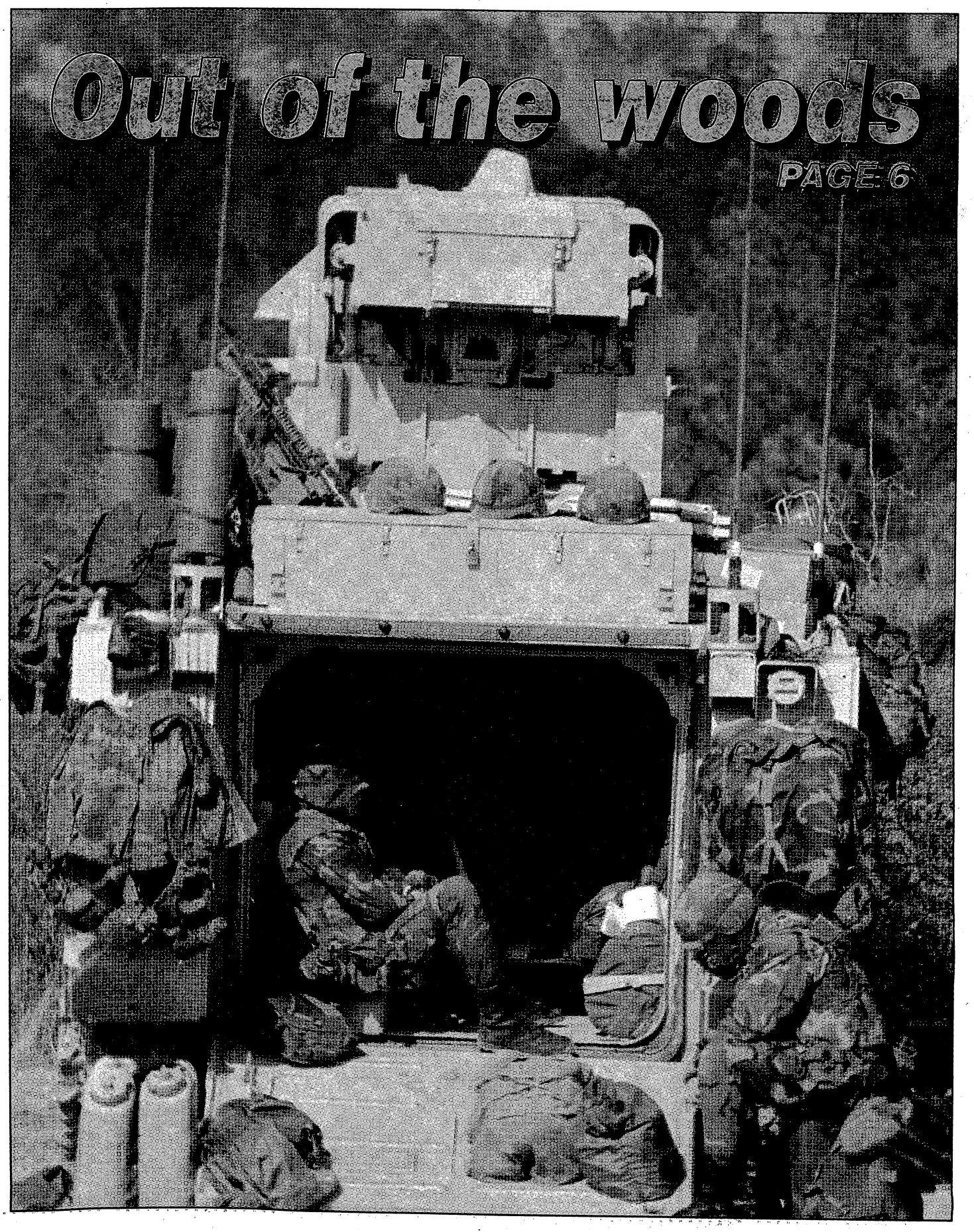

COMMENTARY

Trigger-happy Marines must be punished

WASHINGTON — The little card issued to every American servicemember in Somalia outlining the rules of engagement was very explicit: "The United States is not at war."

It went on to caution that "U.S. forces should use minimum force necessary (to defend themselves) . . . and proportional to the threat."

David Evans

Now ask yourself: If a teen-ager tries to swipe your sunglasses, does a shotgun blast that rips into his abdomen and tears up the forearm of a second kid in the line of fire fit this guidance?

It's a big stretch, yet the man who pulled the trigger, Gunnery Sgt. Harry Conde, appears unremorseful. At a hearing earlier this month that will likely produce a report soon recommending a court-martial for the 13-year Marine Corps veteran, the "gunny" described how he was the senior NCO in charge of a mini-convoy of two Humvee trucks that was headed back to Mogadishu airport from a supply run to the stadium downtown.

As the vehicles slowed to negotiate through the crowd at the so-called Kilometer 4 traffic circle, Conde recounted to the investigating officer the moment when a hand suddenly blocked his vision.

"Something covers my face . . . . I've been struck (but) what do I do? . . . I need to defend myself. I feel real threatened."

Having been at this very spot in Mogadishu, I can say that Conde's description recalls the vivid sense of claustrophobia that comes from driving slowly through crowds of curious, cloying, begging, hustling, glaring, apathetic Somalis — mostly kids out of schools long closed by the civil war, unemployed idlers and assorted refugees driven to town by famine in the outback.

Conde's apprehensions are understandable, but if this were baseball, maybe the gunny should go back to the dugout and ponder his monumental strike-out:

Strike 1: He made a conscious decision to shoot before assessing the threat. How do we know this? If Conde was following established procedure, the safety was engaged on the M-79 grenade launcher he was carrying, which at the time was loaded with a single round of buckshot. The safety locks the trigger. Before pulling the trigger, Conde had to have pressed his thumb, wrapped around the top of the stock, to unlock the safety.

Strike 2: He fired blind. Conde was sitting in the right front seat of the lead Humvee, and his immediate reaction was to push the muzzle of the M-79 out the window, towards the rear and in the direction of the following Humvee, and shoot. It was not an awkward movement for the left-handed Marine. It may be a minor miracle that he hit only two people.

Strike 3: He left the scene. Here's a real profile in courage for you. The gunny told the investigating officer that he didn't stop because "I do not know what's out there waiting for me. I did not look back. I'm not going to expose myself further . . ."

Thanks to his selfish recklessness, other Marines in the area had to jump in, calm the crowd and render assistance to the wounded youths.

If every Marine in Somalia followed Conde's example, there would be hundreds of Somalis shot dead or wounded by now. Youths have been jumping into the backs of moving vehicles to steal rations and water. Others have thrown rocks. Marines have been fired at, and they have *not* shot back when the assailants retreated into crowds of bystanders.

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There is a more subtle issue here, as well. How did this guy get promoted to the esteemed rank of gunnery-sergeant, a critical leadership position in the Corps? As an artillery radar technician, Conde said he volunteered for duty in Somalia for the chance to work on equipment but was surprised to find himself in charge of two teams of 15 Marines.

"I didn't expect to be a supervisor. I came with a toolbox as a technician," he said.

Hold on there, gunny. You can fool civilians with this rap, but every Marine knows that the primary job of every non-commissioned officer is first and foremost to lead riflemen.

The toolbox mentality is secondary, and any Marine non-commissioned officer who retreats into the narrow compartment of his formal job description is shirking his leadership responsibility. Gunnery Sgt. Conde was expected to set an example of restraint in the anxious drive through that traffic circle.

His whining about being just a technician is a cop-out. If "gunny" Conde isn't court-martialed for his actions, he's already in the docket for the wrong attitude.

David Evans is military affairs correspondent for the Chicago Tribune.

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The offensive was an unqualified success as the Russians lost 40,000 men, numerous cities to include Kharkov, and more than 600 tanks in the final thrust of the operation alone; however, the German position on the front remained precarious due to the loss of one million men during the last four harsh Russian winter months.

Here, according to research by the Military History Division at Fort Benning, were the top news items of the week 50 years ago:

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In North Africa, Allied forces, spearheaded by Britain's Eighth Army and the 2nd New Zealand Division, attacked German and Italian positions near the Mareth Line in Tunisia, making only slight gains in a week of bitter fighting. The ardent resistance offered by both Axis light and Panzer divisions along the line convinced Field Marshal Bernard Montgomery, the overall operation commander, to alter his original plans, sending the U.S. 1st Armored Division to the Tebaga Gap and redesignating it as the main attack point.

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In Burma, Maj. Gen. Orde Wingate's Chindits, a self-contained guerrilla force specializing in long-range penetration patrols and named after the mythical stone lions that guarded Burmese temples, successfully crossed the Irrawaddy River before returning to India in the face of fierce Japanese counterattacks.

Despite the seeming loss, the effort was successful in terms of morale, propaganda and lessons learned that aided in the further development of unconventional Allied tactics.

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DEFENSE

Post may benefit from McClellan's demise

By Clint Claybrook
Staff Writer

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Fort Benning could benefit from the latest round of base closings suggested by the Department of Defense, but only time will tell.

Benning was basically untouched in the process, suffering no cuts but getting no additional units from the 31 base closures or realignment Defense Secretary Les Aspin submitted to the 1993 Base Closure and Realignment Commission.

But retired Col. Patrick Kenny, a senior vice-president for military affairs for the Columbus Chamber of Commerce, said last week that Benning could acquire some units displaced through the closing of bases — Fort McClellan in nearby Anniston, Ala., in particular.

McClellan, home to the Army's Military Police and Chemical schools, was one of only two Army installations recommended for closing by the Department of the Army. McClellan was also on the 1991 list, but the commission kept the post open because of the Chemical Decontamination Training Facility, the only live-agent chemical training facility in the world.

The Pentagon proposes to keep the CDTF open as a stand-alone facility while moving the police and chemical training school to Fort Leonard Wood, Mo.

Kenny is hoping the schools can be lured to Fort Benning. Recently, speculation on the closing of Fort McClellan had pushed Benning as a contender for the Army's Military Police School. The Pentagon's announced intention to relocate the McClellan-based schools in Missouri would seem to put the possibility out of reach.

That may or not be the case.

Kenny says the Chamber of Commerce and others will continue to push for the chemical and military police schools as well as the Air Force Ground Defense Course, a unit Benning and McClellan competed for last year.

The Air Force school, currently run by the Army at Fort Dix, N.J., was supposed to move to Fort Benning by July 1992. But the move was delayed, reportedly because of a major push by Alabama's congressional delegation to acquire the school for Fort McClellan. Fort Dix is scheduled for realignment to semi-active status to support Reserve training. The change is scheduled to be completed by Sept. 30.

Kenny said that since Fort McClellan was the installation that was competing with Fort Benning for the Air Force school last year, McClellan's closing status would enhance Benning's chances.

The school would have an Air Force training cadre of about 65 people and would train about 3,500 students a year. The school is dedicated to teaching Air Force enlisted personnel and lower-ranking officers how to use infantry tactics to defend air bases.

"We would also hope there might be some smaller organizations that could come to Fort Benning," from other posts, Kenny said, due to restructuring or closings. "We hope we could convince those people that Fort Benning's a good place to go."

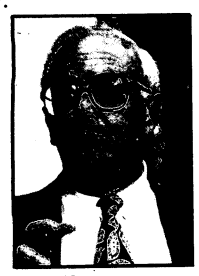
Rich McDowell, a Fort Benning spokesman, said it is too early to speculate on the results of other posts being recommended for closing or restructuring, since the Base Closure Commission isn't expected to make a final decision on the Pentagon's proposal.

Fort McClellan employs approximately 2,600 civilians and 2,800 soldiers in northeast Alabama. The fort's annual payroll is $159 million.

Aspin scheduled to receive heart pacemaker

From wire reports

WASHINGTON — Defense Secretary Les Aspin was scheduled to have a pacemaker implanted Thursday to correct a heart problem that has lead to shortness of breath, his doctors said Wednesday.


ASPIN

"What has concerned us ... *is that he* has had two episodes in the last two or three weeks in which he's gotten pretty sick," said Dr. David Pearle, a Georgetown University Medical Center cardiologist.

Pearle said Aspin's "cardiac reserve is pretty limited now," explaining to reporters the need to insert the pacemaker.

The 54-year-old Aspin was admitted to the hospital for the second time in three weeks on Tuesday evening, complaining of shortness of breath and a possible bronchial condition.

However, the doctors said Aspin's problem was not bronchitis but a symptom of his underlying heart problem.

The doctors said a pacemaker would be implanted in a two-hour operation conducted under local anesthetic, which would not require him to hand off his duties as defense secretary.

Pearle said he expected Aspin to be able to return to work next week.

President Clinton brushed off a question on whether he might have to find a new defense secretary. "People get pacemakers all the time. As far as I know, he's doing just fine," he said at a White House photo session.

White House press secretary Dee Dee Meyers said Aspin was in "good shape" today. She said it was "way premature" to consider whether Aspin might have to be replaced because of his health problems.

Lynn Reddy, Aspin's spokeswoman, said the defense secretary would relinquish his Pentagon authority during the hospitalization, although he had delegated some of his work to deputies. She said it was expected that Aspin would receive a local anesthetic during the pacemaker operation.

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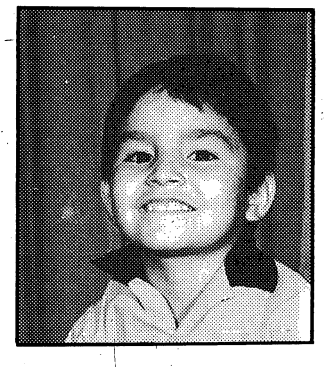

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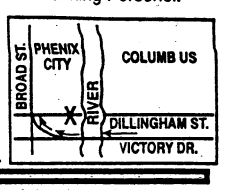

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RELIGION

American pulse wavering on values

By George Cornell
Associated Press

NEW YORK — According to the pollsters, values are on a zigzag, wavering course in America. The characteristic shows up in rapid changes in people's assessment of some aspects of life.

Religion was found on the upswing — considered "very important" by 69 percent of adults, up 10 percent from a year before. Regard for money as "very important" also rose 10 points to 40 percent.

Just how the biblical adage, "You cannot love God and wealth," fit into that combination was not examined.

However, the curious juxtaposition of change was included in the Barna Report, 1992-93, by pollster George Barna, president of Barna Research Group of Glendale, Calif.

Based on surveys of 2,073 people, with a margin of error of 3 percentage points, the report says that of 10 values explored, significant changes showed up in a year's time in the importance placed on half of them.

"People's values change with alarming rapidity these days," the report says, adding:

"Americans are in a period of emotional flux. They are seeking just the right balance of ideas, experiences, values and goods to arrive at a pleasing harmony of their internal and external realities."

However, the importance attached to family, time and health remained high and relatively steady, but jumps were registered in importance attached to friends, living comfortably and the Bible, along with religion and money.

"Americans are in a period of emotional flux," the report says. "They are seeking just the right balance of ideas, experiences, values and goods to arrive at a pleasing harmony of their internal and external realities."

Only a slight majority, 52 percent, viewed money as "the main symbol of success in life."

Sixty-five percent of adults think "the world is out of control these days." This view was held most pervasively among blacks, 79 percent of whom affirmed it.

Three-fourths of adults consider the Bible God's "written word" and say it teaches accurately; 79 percent say the Ten Commandments still are relevant and 76 percent consider sin a present reality.

Only 14 percent say "horoscopes and astrology usually provide an accurate prediction of the future," while 82 percent

Barna's surveys found weekly church attendance varying over the past seven years from 43 percent to 49 percent, most recently at 47 percent, considerably higher than the 40 to 43 percent registered in Gallup polls.

But in either case, it's a big slice of the population, more than 100 million adults, in church or synagogue each week.

One unusual wrinkle that turned up in Gallup surveys is that American teen-agers are more likely to believe in angels nowadays than at any time in the past 15 years, according to the Princeton Religious Research Center in Emerging Trends.

A telephone poll of a cross-section of about 500 teens found that 76 percent believe in angels, a percentage that generally has been increasing since 1978, when only 64 percent believed in angels.

Teen-agers' belief in ghosts also is up to 31 percent, compared to only 20 percent in 1978, but their belief in astrology, ESP, clairvoyance, witchcraft, Bigfoot and the Loch Ness monster is found to be on the decline.

Most teens — 70 percent — consider themselves religious, including most of those who don't regularly attend church.

The Gallup research center recently rounded up some of the unusual facts it had found in 15 years of surveys, including these:

- Low to moderate-income people are more generous than upper-income people in contributing volunteer time and money to help the needy, and that minority groups, often in need themselves, are among the most generous of all people.
- Forty-four percent of Americans believe God has spoken directly to them.
- Seventy percent of Americans believe in the devil, half of them saying he is personal and half saying he is an impersonal force.
- Sixty percent of American households report that someone says a prayer before meals eaten at home.
- Although 80 percent of Americans describe themselves as Christians, only about half can identify who delivered the Sermon on the Mount. P.S.: It was Jesus.

IN BRIEF

Gospel Festival to be held Sunday

The Infantry Training Brigade chaplain's office is sponsoring a free Gospel Festival Sunday at 3 p.m.

The festival will take place in Theatre 3. Choirs from Columbus, Phenix City and Fort Benning are participating in the festival. Everyone is welcome to attend.

For more information, contact Chaplain (Maj.) Cox at 544-9764.

PIZZA AND PRAYER: Soldiers of the 2nd MASH, Ranger Regiment and 36th Engineer Group are all invited to attend a pizza and prayer luncheon at the Sightseeing Road Chapel Annex.

The luncheon will take place March 30 from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Bring a friend and share the word. For more information, contact Sgt. Woodland at 545-2169.

COMMUNITY CHOIR: The Infantry Center Chapel is forming a community choir for the Easter Sunrise service.

The choir will consist of volunteers throughout the community. The organizational meeting will be every Wednesday at 7 p.m. in the TIC Chapel.

Anyone interested in being a part of the choir should contact Chaplain (Maj.) Steedley at 545-2050.

LENTEN PROGRAM: "Rolling Back the Rock — The Religious Meaning of Holy Week," a video-discussion series is being presented on Sundays from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. at the Dexter School library.

The videos feature nationally known storyteller and theologian, Father John Shea.

FAMILY WORKSHOP: The Chaplains' Family Life Center and Columbus College will present workshops for parents and children March 24 and 31 from 11 a.m. to noon at the Chaplains' Family Life Center.

For more information, call Chaplain (Maj.) James Rayburn at 545-1760.

WOMEN OF THE CHAPEL: Protestant Women of the Chapel has begun its spring Bible study. The group meets 9:30-11:45 a.m. each Thursday in Building 2521. Baby-sitting is provided free of change in adjacent Building 2517.

For more information, contact Gwen Chandler at 682-5546 or Loree Smith at 685-0809.

COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN: The Military Council of Catholic Women invites all women to increase their knowledge of the faith, join together for prayer and celebration of Mass, participate in opportunities of service and form feminine friendships.

The MCCW meets every Wednesday from 9:30 a.m. until noon at the Infantry Center Annex, and every first Friday from 9:30 a.m. until noon at the Main Post Catholic Chapel. Child care is free.

For more information, call Teresa Zepeda at 682-3918 or Jackie Place at 689-6496.

CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP: Christian Military Fellowship meets every second and fourth Friday of the month at 7 p.m. at the Custer Terrace Chapel.

For more information, call 545-2050 or 689-6090.

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PROFILE

Reyes challenges himself, students to be the best

By Linda Bosley Dailey
Staff Writer

When Maj. Jerry Reyes reminds his staff to attend functions, he occasionally concludes his memos with a warning: Be there . . . or be talked about.

"He's got an absolutely wonderful sense of humor," said Mary Renteria, recalling the memos from her boss, the commander of the International Student Training Detachment.

"He challenges everyone," said Mary Renteria, ISTD's information program officer. "He does demand the best of everyone," including himself, and "he sets the example," she said.

Although he sometimes teases his employees, Reyes never accepts anything less than their best performance. And he's just as demanding of the foreign soldiers he commands, who come to Fort Benning to attend U.S. Army Infantry School courses, such as Ranger School or the officer advanced course..

"He challenges everyone," said Renteria, ISTD's information program officer. "He does demand the best of everyone," including himself, and "he sets the example," she said.

But then, Reyes himself has always been ready to accept the challenges presented him — and to challenge himself further. Ranger school, he said, taught him that "nothing's too difficult. If you really want to do something, you can do it," Reyes said.

While growing up in San Antonio, Texas, he had long planned on joining the Army. "But I never thought that I'd go in as an officer," Reyes said.

His Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps teacher and guidance counselor in high school, though, encouraged him to apply to a military academy. So he did.

Reyes graduated from West Point in 1979 with a concentration in Latin American studies, the first member of his family to graduate from college.

After graduation from the U.S. Military Academy, Reyes came to Fort Benning for the Infantry Officer Basic Course and for Ranger and Airborne training before being assigned to Germany for three years.

While serving in the 1st Cavalry Division at Fort Hood, Reyes got a company command. "Best experience of my life," Reyes said.

"You're the one that's making decisions. Everything you plan, you see it executed, and you see it executed as you planned. You have so much influence over these kids' lives. And all this training you have behind you, you put it to use," Reyes said.

And while commanding that company, Reyes was awarded an Army Commendation Medal because his unit performed so well in "battle" at the National Training Center.

From the 1st Cav, the Army sent Reyes for more military training, including the Foreign Area Officer School at Fort Bragg, and then for additional academic education so he could become a foreign area officer.

After 18 months of study at the University of Texas at Austin, Reyes received his master's degree in Latin American Studies. For the next 12 months, Reyes was stationed in Chile, attending the Chilean Army's Command and General Staff Course.

For the next six months, Reyes journeyed about South America, purposely making *no* travel plans in advance. "The only way to learn about the environment you're in is to jump right into it and try to get yourself out of it, is the way I see it," he said.

"I saw that as a challenge. I had some pretty interesting situations," he said, but he's better off because of it. "I really learned a lot."

When he left South America, Reyes returned to Fort Benning, to attend the Command and General Staff Course at the School of the Americas. Just before graduation in December 1991, he was selected to command the International Student Training Detachment.

The ISTD, part of 1st Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment, takes charge of the soldiers from allied nations who come to Fort Benning for training — in English. Having been to the Chilean Command and General Staff Course, Reyes knows what its like to take military training in a foreign nation and a different language.

"That's why I understand these guys that come here. When they have problems with our language . . . I just pat 'em on the back and say, 'Don't worry. In a couple of months, you'll be fine,' " Reyes said.

Part of Reyes' responsibility is to take care of the soldiers' needs while they are here, a task that can include making sure they get the uniforms they need to helping them find off-post housing or buy a car, said Lt. Col. Timothy Bosse, commander of the 1st Battalion, 11th Infantry Regiment.

"He can be very sympathetic, compassionate and understanding. But he can also be tough and demanding when he needs to be. He doesn't cut them any slack," Bosse said.

But come June, Reyes' tenure at ISTD will end. He expects to be assigned then to the 3rd Brigade, 24th Infantry Division.

But there's little chance his superiors will think he hasn't done enough at ISTD. "He's doing a great job," Bosse said of Reyes. "He is the best commander in recent memory."

Maj. Jerry Reyes

Job: Commander, International Student Training Detachment.

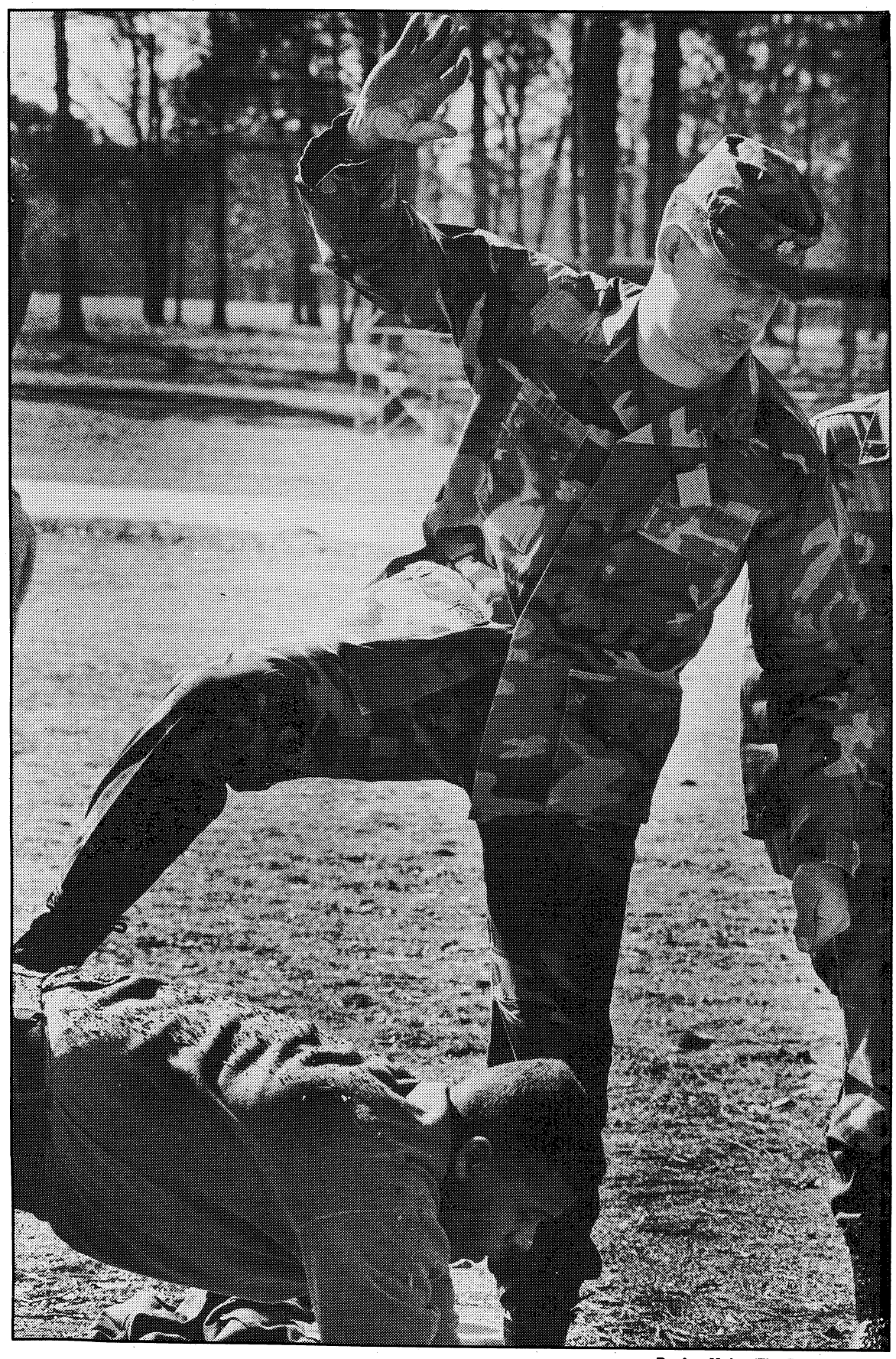
Education: Bachelor's degree, U.S. Military Academy; master's degree, University of Texas at Austin.

Family: Wife, Annette; two children, Melissa, 11, and Bobby, 8.

Age: 36.

Hometown: *San Antonio, Texas.*

Hobbies: Reading science fiction, working with children, hiking, drawing.



By Joe Maher/The Benning Leader

Maj. Jerry Reyes, commander of the International Student Training Detachment, demonstrates physical training exercises for students recently.

COVER STORY

Col. Robert St. Onge said last weekend's freezing rain, snow and 50-mph winds knocked down a few tents, but the troops had their winter gear in the field and "not a single wet-weather injury" was reported.

By Clint Claybrook/The Benning Leader

Spc. James Hoffman of Charlie Co., 1st Battalion, 5th Air Defense Artillery at Fort Stewart, Ga., stands guard near a Vulcan anti-aircraft vehicle during a 3rd Brigade, 24th Infantry Division exercise that was part of Victory Focus '93.

Soldiers leave boondocks early

Environmental concerns end Victory Focus

By Clint Claybrook
Staff Writer

Neither rain, nor snow or sleet could drive the 4,000 soldiers involved in Victory Focus at Fort Benning out of the boondocks. But the threat of environmental damage to a snow and rain-soaked training site did knock a few days off the soldiers' stay in the woods.

Most of the soldiers from the 3rd Brigade, 24th Infantry Division returned to their Kelley Hill home Sunday and Monday, said Col. Robert St. Onge, the brigade commander.

The 2nd Battalion, 18th Infantry was to return Monday night and one company of 2nd Battalion, 69th Armor and the Fourth Battalion, 41st Field Artillery were coming in later this week, St. Onge said. Initially, most of the troops were to have remained in the field until Sunday. But when the external evaluations of the two battalions were canceled, many of the troops made it home earlier.

St. Onge said last weekend's freezing rain, snow and 50-mph winds knocked down a few tents, but the troops had their winter gear in the field and "not a single wet-weather injury" was reported.

The snowstorm, coupled with already wet training areas along the Chattahoochee River and the threat of more rain this week, made him decide to call off external evaluations of 1st Battalion, 18th Infantry and 2nd Battalion, 69th Armor that were to be in connection with a 586th Bridge Company river crossing exercise and maneuvers in Russell County, Ala., St. Onge said.

That's why some brigade troops made it back to Kelley Hill sooner than expected. Most troops were to have spent 21 days on Victory Focus but most ended up spending 18 or 19 days.

By Clint Claybrook/The Benning Leader

Bradley Fighting Vehicle crews wait for the word to move out during the maneuvers.

St. Onge said there were concerns among Fort Benning environmental protection officials that M-1 Abrams tanks and Bradley Fighting Vehicles running maneuvers on the Alabama side of the river with the ground wet could have led to environmental wounds, *including* damage to Creek and Uchee Indian burial grounds.

The 586th went ahead with its river-crossing exercise on Wednesday, but the number of 3rd Brigade troops involved was reduced somewhat even though original plans called for the battalion evaluations to involve only those outfits' leaders.

St. Onge said he'll take the brigade tactical operations center; 1st Battalion, 18th Infantry; and 2nd Battalion, 69th Armor leaders to Fort Stewart on Sunday to kick off a week of maneuver exercises using National Training Center maps and terrain and Fort Stewart computer technology.

St. Onge said the '93 Victory Focus was "a quantum step up from last year's Victory Focus" because it involved "a lot more maneuver and a lot higher tempo" of training operations. "I think we've matured as a force," he said.

IN BRIEF

Commissary tour will focus on nutrition

Martin Army Community Hospital's Nutrition Care Division is offering a commissary tour for National Nutrition Month to promote low-fat, heart-healthy shopping guidelines. A tour will be 8:30 a.m. Wednesday, March 24.

For more information or to sign up, call the Nutrition Clinic at 544-1542 or 544-1674.

DEXTER CARNIVAL: Dexter School will hold its annual carnival from 3-5 p.m. on Saturday, March 27.

Tickets, which cost seven for $1 when purchased in advance, are available from 2:10-3:30 p.m. in the school lobby today, and on Monday, Wednesday and Friday of next week. Tickets also will be available at the carnival at five for $1.

Activities will include a cake walk, ring toss and obstacle course. Balloons, hot dogs, popcorn and drinks will be for sale.

EASTER EGG HUNT: 1st Battalion, 29th Infantry Regiment will sponsor an Easter Egg Hunt April 3 at Artillery Field near Sand Hill. The hunt will begin at 2 p.m. and conclude at 4 p.m.

1ST CAVALRY CEREMONY: A ceremony honoring deceased members of the 1st Cavalry Division will be held April 24 at 11 a.m. at the Veterans Center (old Georgia Welcome Center on Victory Drive) in Columbus.

The Follow Me Chapter of the 1st Cavalry Division is seeking survivors or family members of deceased members of the 1st Cavalry Division in the area.

For more information, call Frank Plass at 561-0774 or Alfred Roberts at 561-6801.

TRIVIA GAME: The Equal Opportunity Office is sponsoring a Women's History Month trivia game March 24 from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Building 2515. Anyone wishing to appear as a contestant may call 545-3196. Study information will be available for all participants prior to the game. Prizes will be awarded to the winner.

HUNT CLUB: Stables, rental horses, trail rides, pony rides and riding classes are available at the Hunt Club on Marne Road.

Hours are Monday to Friday, 2 to 6 p.m.; Saturdays Sundays and holidays from 9:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Rentals are $12 an hour for non-members, $8 hourly for members.

There is a $10 initiation fee for all members. Members who do not own horses pay $13 a month for dues, while members who board horses pay $18 for dues, plus boarding and feeding fees.

The Fort Benning Hunt Club offers guided trail rides each Sunday. Riders must sign up seven days in advance.

For more information, call 689-3945.

OWC SCHOLARSHIPS: Applications for continuing education, college and vocational and technical scholarship are available at the Officers Wives' Club House (adjacent to the Thrift Shop) Monday through Thursday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

All Officers Wives' Club and Enlisted Wives' Club members and their high school senior children are eligible.

Deadline for submission is March 26. For more information, call Pat Grant at 685-2691.

Pine Mountain holding 'Dogwood Days' fest

The 2nd Annual "Dogwood Days" Festival will be held April 3-4 in Pine Mountain.

The festival will feature over 75 exhibitors of arts, crafts, antiques and a wide variety of entertainment. New this year will be a "Country Greenhouse" offering fresh herbs, flowers for spring planting and a variety of house plants.

On Saturday, April 3, a local Talent Showcase will be featured, presenting the finest entertainment the young people of Harris County have to offer.

On Sunday, April 4, there will be a special guest appearance by "Barney," the lovable PBS dinosaur, from noon-3 p.m., so bring the children for a photo opportunity. Clowns, balloons, face painting, games and rides will keep the children entertained. Bring a healthy appetite and enjoy a wide variety of tasty treats.

Held on the school grounds of the Pine Mountain Police Department and gym, admission to the "Dogwood Days" Festival is only $1 for adults and 50 cents for children under 12.

Sponsored by the Kiwanis Club of Pine Mountain, with assistance from the Key Club of Harris County High School, all proceeds benefit children's charities, youth and community services.

For more information, call Kim Ambrester at (706) 663-4338.

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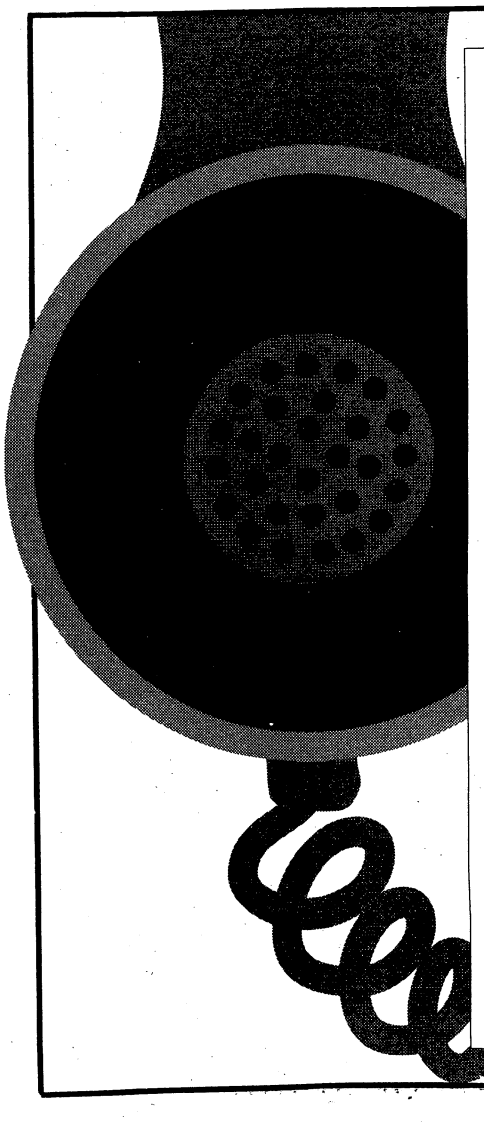

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AT EASE

Tennessee Aquarium draws rave reviews

By Jean Allen
Fort Lauderdale Sun-Sentinel

Q. We'll be visiting relatives in Nashville, Tenn., and they are raving about a new aquarium in Chattanooga. Do you know anything about this and is it worth driving a couple of hours to see? I think of aquariums as boring places that smell bad. — **A.B., Hollywood, Fla.**

A. Maybe you'll be reassured if I repeat a conversation I heard while checking into the Opryland Hotel in Nashville last fall.

"Have you been to the aquarium down in Chattanooga?" an arriving visitor asked a bellboy.

The bellboy's eyes grew wide: "No, but I sure plan to go soon. They have a catfish down there that's bigger'n y'all," he said to the portly questioner.

Well, not quite. The whopper catfish, which patrols the biggest freshwater display tank in the world at the Tennessee Aquarium, weighs 65 pounds and is 5 feet long.

When I was in Tennessee last summer, people all over the state were talking about this aquarium. They had either been or were going soon.

No wonder. The place is sensational. It opened May 1, 1992, projecting that 650,000 visitors would see it the first year. It passed that figure in 3½ months, on Aug. 16. Soon after school opened, 30,000 school children were already booked for class visits.

The Tennessee Aquarium is one of the new breed of aquariums rising all over the country. They are architectural standouts of color and sound, clean and innovative with dramatic, realistic habitats.

The most successful have a "Wow, look at this" element, like the Tennessee catfish or the cascading waterfalls, crashing waves and shipwreck exhibit at the ocean-oriented, $52-million aquarium in Camden, N.J.

If you visit the aquarium . . .

Plan to spend at least two hours touring the Tennessee Aquarium. Admission is $8.75 for adults, $4.75 for children 3 to 12, under 3 free. It is open daily from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. from May 1 through Labor Day, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. the rest of the year, and is closed only on Thanksgiving and Christmas. It is located at 1 Broad St., Chattanooga, Tenn. 37401-2048.

The soaring Tennessee Aquarium, a 12-story building with bold geometric shapes, sits on a bank of the Tennessee River near downtown Chattanooga at Ross Landing, a park created to show it off.

The $45-million, privately financed project is the only aquarium devoted to rivers, the first major freshwater-life center in the world. Inside, it's a dramatic maze, with a six-story "canyon," huge tanks behind acrylic panels that don't break, scratch or distort views as glass would. Vivid graphics, mirrors, bright colors and lights are everywhere.

Visitors start at the top and proceed one way through the exhibits, making for less congestion. They travel to all the places rivers go, through evocative living environments that re-create the habitats of fish, birds, amphibians, reptiles, mammals and insects that rely on rivers for their existence.

The whopping flathead catfish that swims through the Nickajack lake tank was pulled from the Tennessee River by a fisherman who decided to donate it to the aquarium. Most of the 120 varieties of wildflowers and plants were transplanted from somewhere in Tennessee. Trillium and ginseng were rescued from a roadside where a highway is being built, lady slippers were rescued from a construction site. Woody vines and moss came from the Tennessee River gorge.

The Tennessee River itself creates a rich source for exhibits: It rises in the Great Smoky Mountains, flows through a series of lakes created by dams of the Tennessee Valley Authority, touches seven states and eventually joins the Ohio and Mississippi to flow into the Gulf of Mexico.

Visitors who have ridden an escalator to the top floor — a high, glass-roof atrium — first enter a re-created mountain forest where they see live songbirds flitting through living trees, an otter sliding into a pool, snakes and salamanders, trout in a stream. A bird eats seed from a visitor's hand; hairdos droop in the dampness.

Next is the Canyon, the long, six-story expanse flanked by multi-story, 138,000-gallon tanks, a lake environment on one side and a Gulf of Mexico exhibit — the museum's only saltwater feature — on the other.

One tank has a spider web in the corner, a live spider giving us the eye. That was not planned. "We really thought we were a success when the insects moved in," said Deborah Ayres, a publicist at the museum. And in fact the whole building, only a few months old when I saw it, has a lived-in feel; nothing looks raw or unfinished. It is as though it had been there for years, or had somehow just grown there.

There are many touchy-feely experiences for kids, and I suspect a turtle or two have gone home in the pockets of young visitors. All of which makes this a very comfortable place to visit.

In other rooms, great rivers of every continent are represented with vivid displays: red-bellied piranhas, an anaconda and a boa constrictor move through a flooded rain forest along the Amazon; a rock python poses in the Zaire river exhibit; a sturgeon swims through the St. Lawrence River display.

In the big tank representing a TVA-created lake, fish, turtles and amphibians inhabit sunken forests, stump fields, abandoned bridges and road beds in what used to be river shoreline.

New aquariums also have opened recently in Corpus Christi, Texas, and Newport, Ore. Others are under construction in Cleveland, Tampa and Charleston.

At the movies

Listings for March 19-25

TODAY
Leap of Faith (PG-13) 7 p.m., Sand Hill
Matinee (PG-13) 7 p.m., Main Post
Nowhere to Run (R) 9 p.m., Main Post

SATURDAY
Rapid Fire (R) 2 p.m., Sand Hill
Used People (PG-13) 2 p.m., Main Post
The Bodyguard (R) 6:30 p.m., Sand Hill
The Public Eye (R) 7 p.m., Main Post
Alive (R) 9:15 p.m., Main Post

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The Bodyguard (R) 4 p.m., Sand Hill
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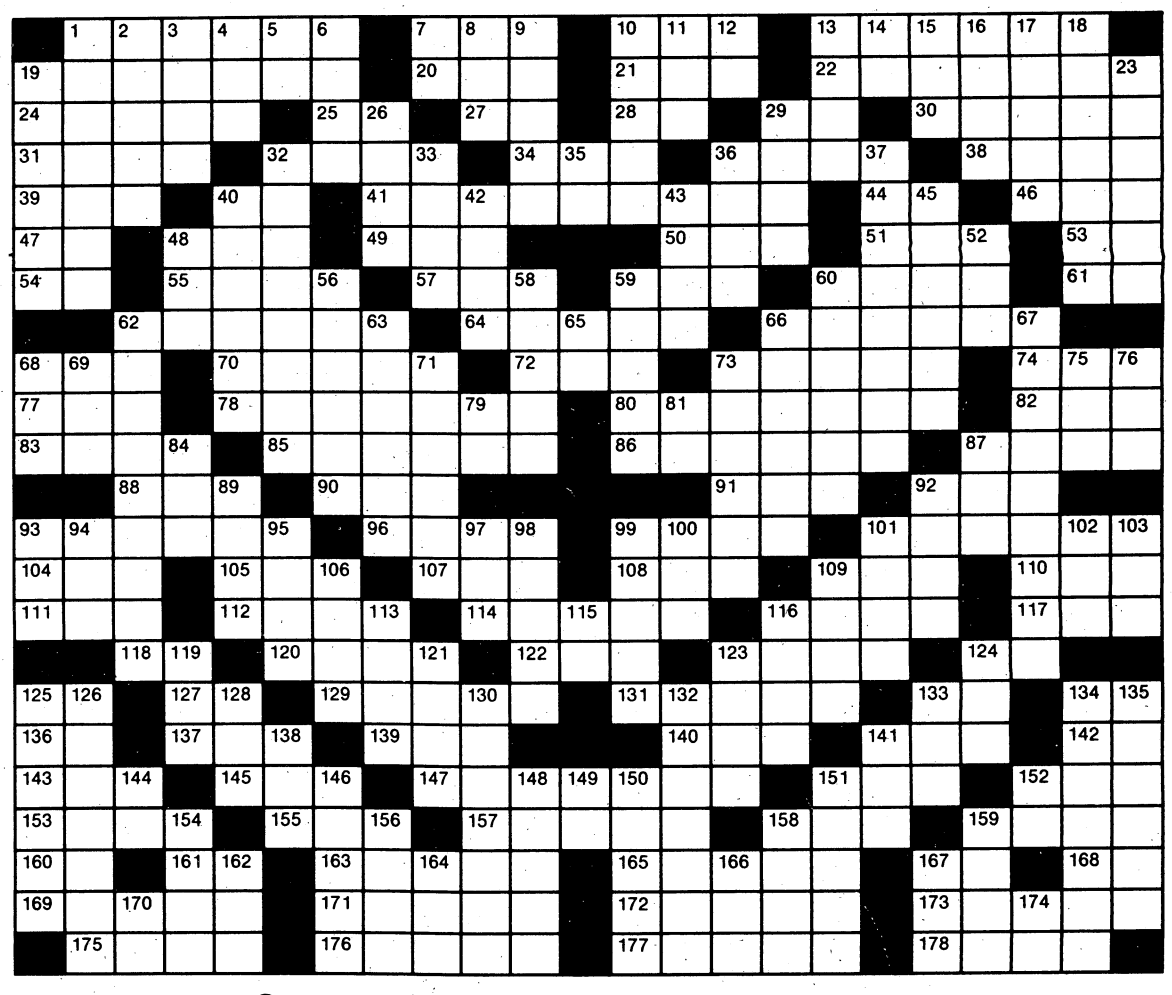

Crossword puzzle answer on Page 11

Stone to perform at RoadHouse

From staff reports

"I've been wanting to do this album for three years," said Doug Stone. "But the time just wasn't right. I wasn't ready to show so much of myself. That takes a certain amount of courage . . . now I'm ready."

STONE

The album, "From the Heart," is about heartache, lost love, longing for yesterday's passion, loving at full throttle and the unabated emotional darkness when slammed into the walls of rejected love.

"I've been interested in the different ways of dealing with lost love ever since my first marriage broke up," said Stone, 36.

Stone will perform Wednesday at 9 p.m. at The RoadHouse, 4817 Milgen Road. Tickets are $15. For more information, call 561-1632.

"From the Heart" marks something of a departure from Stone's trademark balladry. "I think with this album you get a real sense of Doug's personality," said producer Doug Johnson. "There's certainly the earnestness and the sensitivity, but there's also that wonderful sense of humor."

Stone underwent emergency quadruple bypass surgery on the day of the 1992 Academy of Country Music Awards, where he was nominated for both Male Vocalist of the Year and Song of the Year for "Jukebox With a Country Song."

Though the surgery had serious implications on his lifestyle (he gave up a three-pack a day cigarette habit, changed his diet and began an exercise program), it almost impacted on his album. With the title, "From the Heart," and the single release of "Warning Labels," the opportunity to look exploitative was there.

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ON POST

My Lai massacre of '68 remembered

By Jerry Rutledge
Military Affairs Editor

"It did shake the Army for a long time. There were a lot of things said that shouldn't have been said," said Columbus military historian Albert Garland.

A quarter century has passed since a group of American soldiers from Company C, 1st Battalion, 20th Infantry swept through the small village of My Lai in Quang Ngai Province of what was then South Vietnam.

The date was March 16, 1968. It was a full year later before the details became widely known: That the American troops, under the command of Lt. William L. Calley Jr., had killed as many as 600 unarmed civilians. Although several others were charged, only Calley would serve time for the incident. His trial, held here at Fort Benning in the spring of 1971, lasted 4½ months and is still the longest trial in military history.

Columbus military historian Albert Garland, who was in his final days as editor of Infantry magazine at the time of Calley's celebrated trial, said the incident had a profound effect on the military.

"It did shake the Army for a long time. There were a lot of things said that shouldn't have been said," said Garland.

"That, for example, Calley was a product of the OC (Officer Candidate) program that at the time was more concerned with turning out newly commissioned officers than they were in turning out good commissioned officers. And that in a normal peacetime environment, Calley would never have been an officer. Well, I don't know. I doubt that."

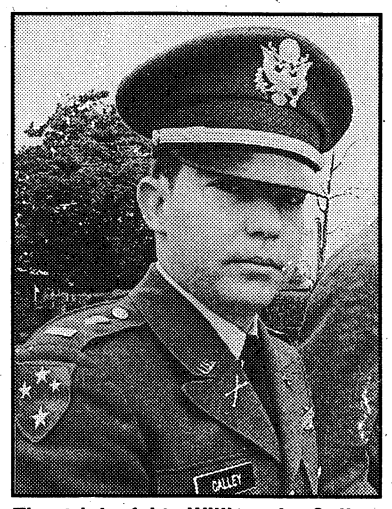
Garland said the military Army took umbrage to a lot of the things people said, but didn't defend what Calley did.

"It was the subject, for a long time, of a lot of discussion in the Army," he said. "I think a lot of folks began to realize exactly what this thing was and began to think of ways to keep it from ever happening again. And as far as I know, it didn't happen again, to that same degree."

Chuck McIntosh of Fort Benning's Office of Infantry Proponency (force design) says the difference, if there is any, since My Lai in the training of officers may rest in the quality of the individual.

"It's the same books, the same courses, the same subject matter," said McIntosh, a retired colonel who lectures to students. "I don't think there's a bit of difference in the way we're teaching. Good leaders are good leaders. They learn the requirements of the Geneva accord and their actions are subject to professional standards."

Columbus attorney John P. Partin, who was an assistant Army prosecutor in the Calley court-martial, believes some



The trial of Lt. William L. Calley Jr. was held at Fort Benning in the spring of 1971.

courses in both the infantry officers' basic and advance courses reflect a greater emphasis on leadership ability and war ethics in situations like the one faced by Company C in 1968.

Garland says the worst result of My Lai was the shadow it seemed to cast on the military.

"It was a black mark on the Army and it's going to be a black mark on the Army for a long, long time," he said. "Anytime you bring this up, people are going to start looking at the soldier again and saying 'He's nothing but an animal.'

"And he's not. To paint all of us with the same brush, that we're all bad, is just not true. Most officers try their darnedest to control this type of thing. In World War II, I had several near-atrocities that I just got to in time. You had to be careful when you had prisoners-of-war, when you sent them to the rear and who you used as guards. Some of your men were so worked up against the Germans that they would have killed the Germans on the way back."

War, by it's very nature, spawns atrocities. "War creates atrocities," Garland said. "It's controlling the atrocities is what you are trying to do all the time."

By Joe Maher/The Benning Leader

Chief Warrant Officer Pedro Arroyo's wife, Josie, greets him upon his return to Fort Benning last week.

Some Benning troops may face two extra months in Somalia

From staff reports

Some 36th Engineer Group soldiers from Fort Benning who thought they'd be in Somalia only through May apparently have had another two months tacked onto their African tours.

Col. Philip Anderson, the group commander, said Wednesday that the 63rd Combat Support Equipment Co. and a platoon of 608th Ordnance Company troops may now be looking at a 180-day rotation as part of Operation Restore Hope as opposed to the 120-day rotation they'd first figured on.

Anderson said Wednesday he met with those soldiers' spouses on Tuesday night and informed them of the possible change in that schedule. He said it is unlikely other 36th Group soldiers will have to return to Somalia unless the U.S. gets involved in some really long-term operations in the African nation.

Meanwhile, another planeload of about 115 of Anderson's soldiers from Somalia is expected to arrive at Fort Benning between March 21-25. That plane is tentatively scheduled for arrival March 24, a post spokesman said. Seven soldiers got back Monday night, joining about 500 others who had made it home on March 10 and March 12.

Some 36th Group soldiers left for Somalia the week of Christmas, with the others following my mid-January, charged with rebuilding about 800 miles of roads to help speed relief supplies to areas of the country where starvation was rampant.

The Fort Benning troops also helped build base camps for other forces involved in the relief operation.

IN BRIEF

Army looking for few prime power specialists

The U.S. Army Prime Power School is looking for highly motivated men and women to train as prime power specialists for military occupational specialty 52E.

The top five percent of the Army enlisted applicants will be selected. Graduates receive up to 55 college semester hours, which are awarded by the American Council on Education. Also, students graduate with an additional skill specialty in electrical maintenance, mechanical maintenance or instrument maintenance.

For an interview and information on how to become a prime power specialist, contact the 535th Engineer Detachment, Engineer Battalion (Prime Power) (Provisional), Building 5347 in the Harmony Church area. Call 544-7123 or DSN 784-7123.

TAX ASSISTANCE: The Fort Benning Tax Office, located on the second floor of Building 2613 in Soldiers' Plaza, offers free tax return preparation of state and federal forms and free electronic filing.

Services are available for soldiers, retirees and family members on a *walk-in* basis.

Taxpayers should bring with them all the appropriate paperwork, said Jane Winand, chief of the Legal Assistance Division at the Office of the Staff Judge Advocate.

The tax office is being operated by members of SJA and Army Community Services.

For more information, call the office at 545-4267.

BRIDGE CLOSURE: Eddy Bridge, off 101st Airborne Division Road, will be closed at the following dates and times for Victory Focus river crossing exercises:

Today, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Saturday, midnight to 7:30 a.m.
Monday, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

82nd Airborne Division Road will also be closed until 3 p.m. Monday. These closures may cause delays in physical training or work-related travel.

CIVILIAN AWARDS: The Civilian Awards Luncheon will be March 25 at the Supper Club in the Officers' Club from 11:30 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. The Directorate of Community Activities will serve as host.

POST OFFICE HOURS: The Fort Benning Post Office will be open Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. effective immediately for a test period of about eight weeks.

COMMENTARY

Thanks for welcoming our soldiers home

Ben Register

Never has the saying "AUSA corporate members support soldiers" been more true than the outstanding response by the business community in providing a welcome home packet for members of the 36th Engineer Brigade returning from Somalia last week. On a very short notice, over 1,200 items were donated to be placed in individual bags so that every soldier returning would know that the Tri-community welcomed them home and appreciated the outstanding service that they had given.

AUSA and the Military Affairs Committee of the Columbus Chamber of Commerce joined to collect the items and prepare the bags. We all owe a special word of thanks to Helen Flowers of the Columbus Chamber of Commerce for her hard work and long hours in making this happen. Once again, thanks to Sgt. 1st Class Marty Boone for his unselfish work in transporting and distributing the packets at the homecoming ceremony. Well done!

In addition to the 17 businesses and associations mentioned in last week's column that contributed items, the following made a contribution after the deadline for last week's column:

Doctors Hospital, St. Francis Hospital, Sunny 100, First Union Bank, South Trust Bank, Swift Textiles, Parisian, The Benning Leader, Uptown Columbus Association, Columbus Convention and Visitor's Bureau, Sam's Wholesale Club and Burnham Service Corporation.

Our deepest thanks to these fine organizations for their community spirit and for caring about soldiers. That's what AUSA is all about!

The Industrial Base

The March 1993 issue of the AUSA monthly Newsletter contained an article about the impact of the defense budget reductions on the industrial base of this country. It is quoted:

"Defense Conversion Commission Report estimates that more than 900,000 defense jobs will be lost by 1997 under the current drawdown, with Seattle, St. Louis, Connecticut and Southern California hit the hardest. The 85-page report, Adjusting to the Drawdown, estimates that the effect on the national economy will be a reduction in Gross Domestic Product of less than .5 percent and an unemployment increase of only about .5 percent over what could have expected had defense spending continued at the 1992 levels. The seven-member panel recommends that "dramatic and immediate" steps be taken to integrate military and commercial technologies, processes and products.

The defense industrial base is recognized by AUSA as a vital element of defense and approved the following 1993 resolution at the national business meeting in October 1992.

AUSA Resolution 93-16
The Industrial Base

Declining defense budgets for research and development and acquisition have significantly reduced the production capacity of the industrial base and have eliminated thousands of defense suppliers. Since 1985, more than 78,000 defense subcontractors and vendors have closed their doors or converted their business to purely commercial activities. Still, continued downward trends will jeopardize the technology and industrial base capabilities that contributed to the overwhelming success of Operation Desert Storm.

By 1996, projected cuts will have reduced spending on defense procurement activities by 50 percent. Present forces are well equipped and force reductions will generate excess equipment for distribution to our Reserve Components and stockpiling for future reconstitution. The National Security Strategy requires continuous capability to develop and field modern systems to support a small, high-quality military force.

Specifically, the strategy assigns three roles to the industrial base: Maintain technological superiority over any potential enemy on the future battlefield; replenish material consumed in support of regional contingencies, and generate "wholly new forces" as a hedge against re-emergence of a global threat to the United States.

We therefore resolve to urge the Administration and Congress to:

- Enhance the competitiveness of the U.S. defense industry thereby allowing DOD to buy more with its limited dollars, as well as improve the ability of U.S. arms to compete with foreign manufacturers in the international marketplace.
- Fund research and development and limited production at rates sufficiently high to preserve essential engineering and manufacturing skills for at least one full-service contractor in each sector.
- Support defense sales, consistent with national security interests, as a means to subsidize the defense technology and industrial base.
- Support integration of the defense and commercial sectors, to the maximum extent possible, by eliminating artificial barriers such as accounting systems and unnecessary military specifications and standards.

Calendar of events

- March 19 — AUSA Chapter hosts the Civilian/Military Affairs Council at Fort Benning Officers' Open Mess.
- March 25 — Drill Sergeant of the Year Award Ceremony, Infantry Training Brigade.
- April 3 — Executive Committee meeting, Room 642, Infantry Hall.
- May 10-15 — Military Appreciation Week.
- May 19 — Board of Directors meeting.

Ben Register, a retired lieutenant general, is president of the Chattahoochee Valley-Fort Benning Chapter of the Association of the United States Army (AUSA).

FYI

The Springer Opera House, 103 Tenth St., is one of the finest examples of 19th century theater architecture and has been designated the state theater of Georgia. For tour information, call 324-5714. Call 327-3688 for information about coming events.

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The Pemberton House, 11 Seventh St., was the home of Dr. John S. Pemberton, originator of the Coca-Cola formula. Call the Historic Columbus Foundation at 322-0756 for information about tours of this and other historic sites.

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The Confederate Naval Museum, 101 Fourth Street, contains the remains of two Civil War gunboats. Call 327-9793 for information.

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The Volunteer Resource Center (VRC) promotes volunteerism in meeting community needs.

Information on volunteer opportunities is available from the Directorate of Community Activities, Building 241, Room 210. Call 545-5602 or 687-2641.

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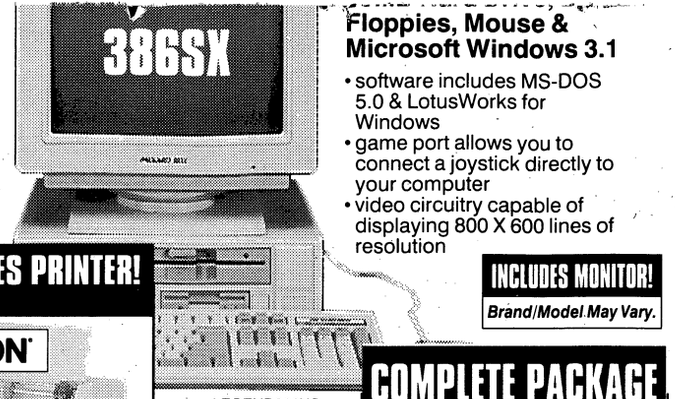

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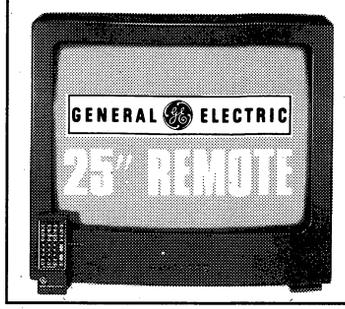

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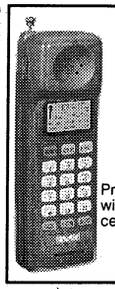

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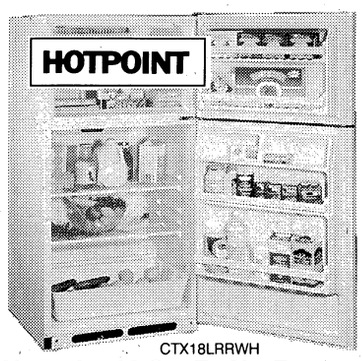

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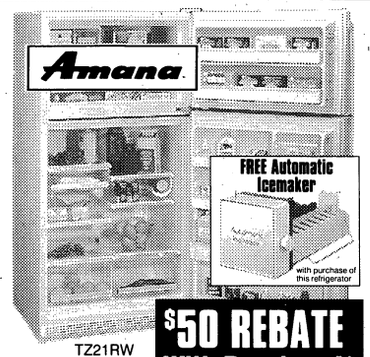

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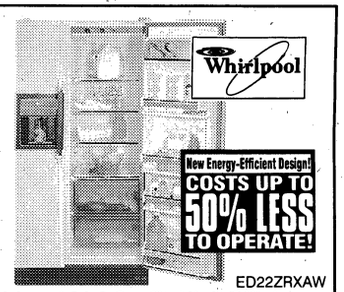

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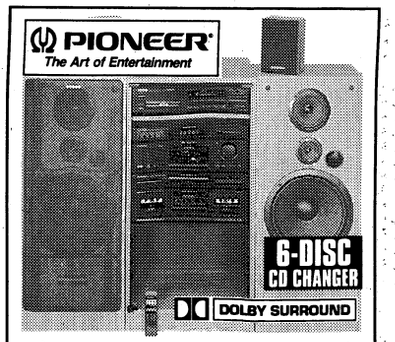

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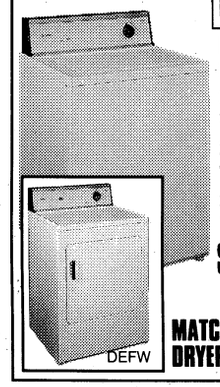

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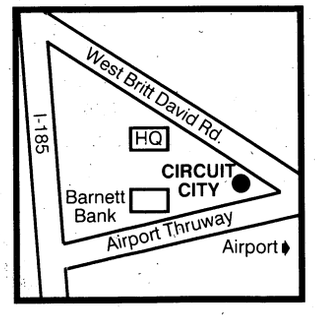

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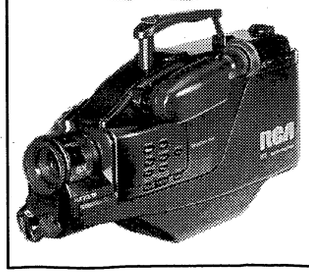

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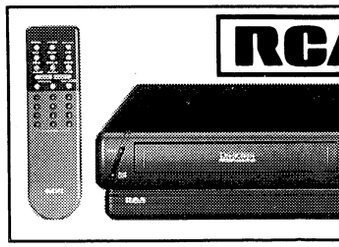

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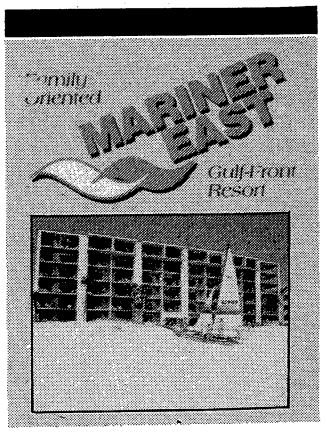

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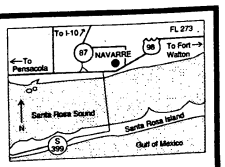

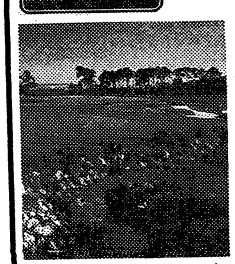

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They're kicking their way to top

Tae kwon do team aims for discipline, championships

By Dan Pever
Correspondent

Reaction and timing. Discipline and confidence.

These are a few of the characteristics that define practitioners of tae kwon do, a Korean-style of karate that means "way of the hand and foot."

They are also what Fort Benning coach Staff Sgt. Ed Givans wants to instill in his team and see from them when they compete in the ring.

"Some guys can kick to the sky but when they get into the ring at full-contact, it's another story," Givans said. "If their timing is off — it's all about timing. That's what it's all about.

"Some guys can't separate sparring from going full-contact in the ring. A guy can kick you in the head as hard as he wants. Fighting is a natural instinct. You can learn it, but if you're scared, it's no good."

Although practice has been slowed in recent weeks because seven of his 10 team members were sent to the field, Givans is preparing them (and his class of 50 kids) for the Military Regionals at Fort Benning on July 17.

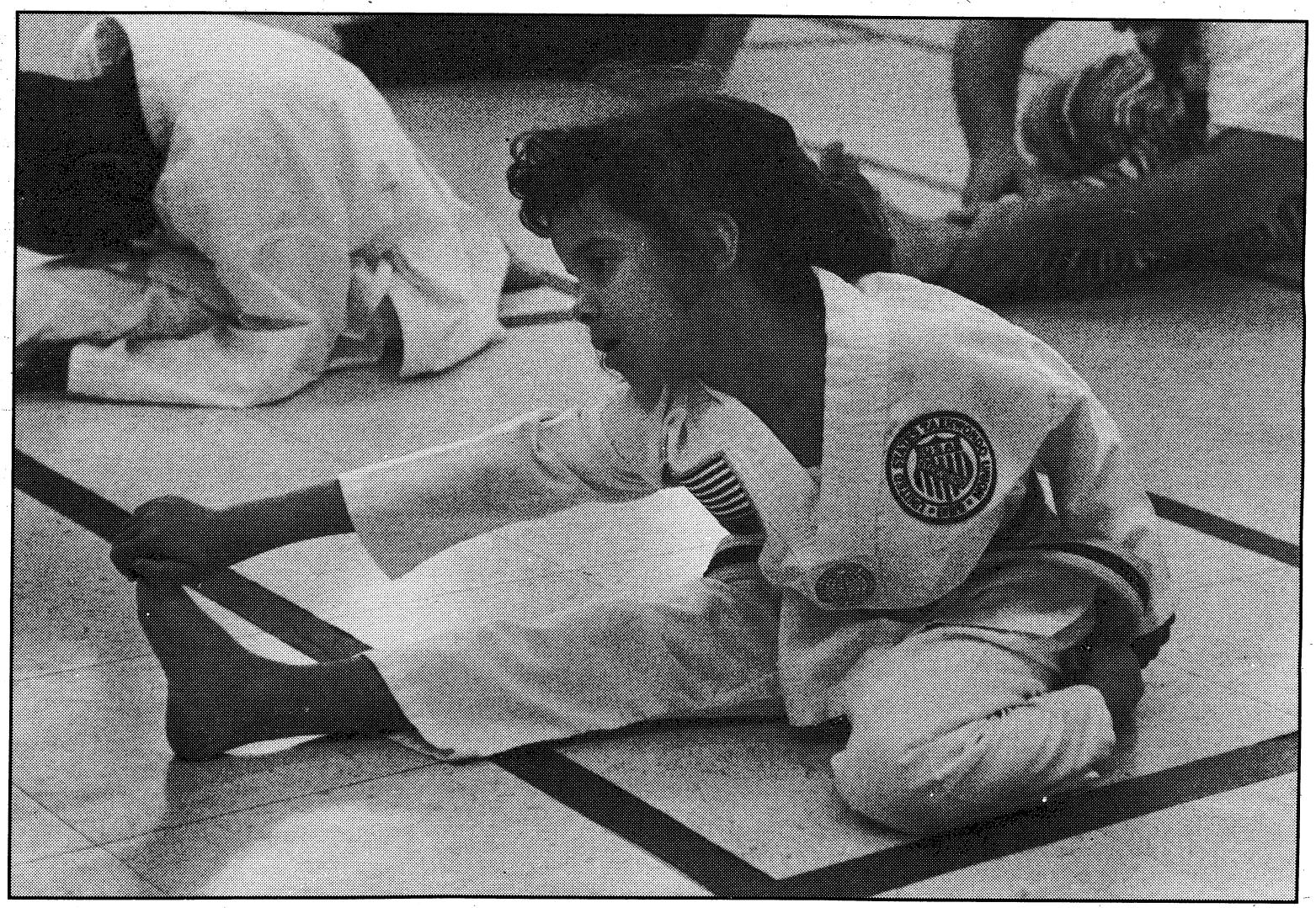
Last year only black belts competed, Givans said but this year it is open to different color belts. The top four in each weight class advance to the Military National Championship.

"Fighting is a natural instinct. You can learn it, but if you're scared, it's no good," says Benning tae kwon do coach Ed Givans.

The World Military Tae Kwon Do championships will be held in Ontario, Canada, in June and will include all of the Armed Forces, not just Army.

There is also something called All-Army competition. That is what Givans and a handful of others will be working toward. Last year, five members of the Fort Benning team made All-Army, Givans said, when traditionally most posts only get two.

Givans, an All-Army selectee and a second-degree black belt, finished sixth in the nation last year out of 120 participants in the All-Army U.S. Nationals.



By Joe Maher/The Benning Leader

Nicole Payne does her tae kwon do exercises.

"This is a very important year for the All-Army Tae Kwon Do team. There will be two people per weight class representing the U.S. Army at the U.S. Nationals in Minnesota on May 27. There are eight weight classes," Givans said.

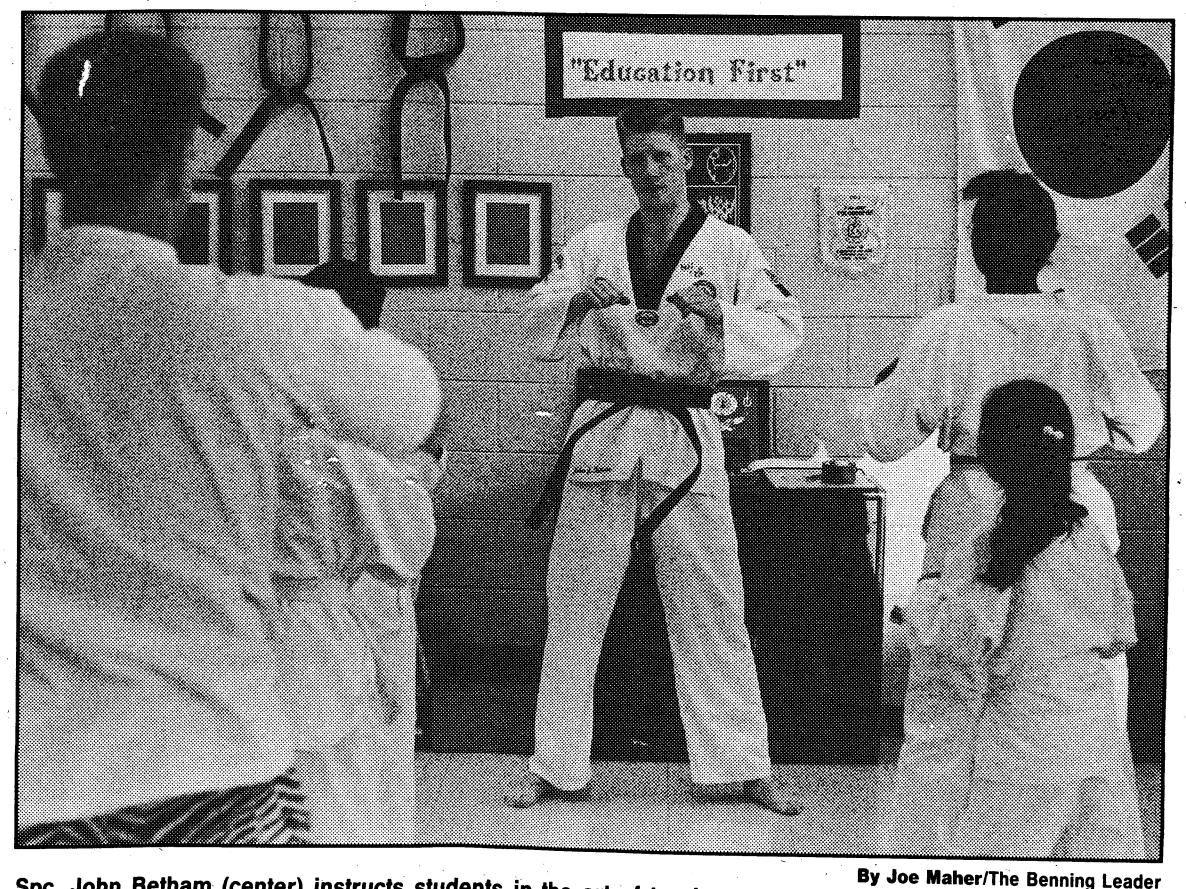
"The 40 selected All-Army will go to camp in Pennsylvania on May 5. The U.S. Nationals are very important because that's where the U.S. Tae Kwon Do team will be chosen for the Olympics and Pan American Games."

Givans explained what a typical day at camp involves.

"We wake up at 5 a.m. and run 15 to 20 miles. We go to breakfast and then afterward go to the gym and run sprints and conditioning drills.

"We break for lunch and then come back and do kicking drills all afternoon," he said. "We eat dinner and then come back and spar. You spar everybody that's in your weight class and by that time, you're god-tired. In the World Championship, you might have five or six fights in one day. It takes endurance."

Givans will make recommendations to the All-Army coach, Master Sgt. Bruce Harris, in Fort Myers, Va. The team will be selected May 5 and then go to camp.



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Spc. John Betham (center) instructs students in the art of tae kwon do.

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PERSONAL TALK LINES 019

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PERSONALS 020

Are You Troubled? Need to talk? Call CONTACT. We care. 24 hrs. Free. 327-3999

ITEMS OF INTEREST 024

Leaking or Slipping transmission? Don't know anybody in the business? Call your local consumer protection agency, and ask about Generic Motor & Transmission. They'll confirm we've been open over 4 years with **only one complaint!** 297-1767

VACATION & TOURIST INFO. 028

MUST SELL 6 day and 5 night Mexico or Bahamas hotel and cruise trip only $199.00 per person. Call M-F 1-800-370-2200.

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ANTIQUES 036

CHARLES & DI ANTIQUES New shipment! Better parking area. 7870 Hamilton Rd., Hwy 27. 324-3314.

ANTIQUES 036

25% OFF ALL FURNITURE
3-Days Only - Fri, Sat & Sun
HOLLAND HOUSE OF ANTIQUES
Also Refinishing, Stripping, Restoring & Repairs.
2000 9th Ave, PC,AL 298-6896

APPLIANCE SALES 040

All Cycle Heavy Duty washer & dryer, like new, $125 ea. 6 mo. warranty. Free delivery. Call 682-4908

APPLIANCES!

MUST SELL! Name brand big tub washers, dryers, frostless refrigerators, and more previously owned. Great condition. WILL DELIVER! Ask for "MAGIC" 706-561-0579

BISSEL Carpet Cleaner, 6 mths old, paid $300 sacrifice $150. Call 569-6477.

CHEST FREEZER $125. Dryer $100. Washer $125. Frost-Free Refrigerator $85. Call 1-706-674-2754 before 9PM.

GE Washer & Dryer, like new, white, $225/both. Call 291-1076.

TOP OF THE LINE Kenmore vaccuum cleaner, 1 yr old, paid $300 sacrifice $150. Call 569-6477.

CLOTHING 050

ANTIQUE satin & lace wedding gown, long train, small sz, $150. 324-0695

MAUVE FULL LENGTH drop waist formal dress, fully lined, sz. 12, exc. cond. $60. 687-8453

WHITE WEDDING GOWN
$90. Call 324-5852

COMPUTERS & EQUIP. 052

CGA monitor & card, $150; 40 MB hard drive & card, $150; 2400 Baun modem, $40; 200 watt supply, $49; 5¼ inch floppy, $30; IBM XT case, $25. Call 569-9554

TANDY HX 1000, monitor, DWP, 5¼ dr and 3½ dr software and books, $500. Call 563-5377

COMPUTERS & EQUIP. 052

IBM 386 SX 80MBHD, 4MB RAM, windows 3.1, Lotus & Word Perfect for windows, compact VGA, OKI data or Hewlet Packard printer all for $950. Call 596-0858

FIREARMS 056

BROWNING light 12, invector chokes, vent rib, like new in box, $475. **SMITH & WESSON 459.** 9mm, 15 shot, $325. Before 6pm, 297-6486

Colt Frontier Scout
22 caliber, $175. 298-1918

I want to buy shotgun or rifle. Maybe handgun, anykind. Call 327-7263

RUGER GP 100
Stainless steel, excellent cond., $300. Call 569-7701

SMITH & WESSON
.38 special w/holster, $200 cash. Call 568-4947

S & W 27, 357 Mag. 8" nickel, in wood presentation case, mint, $385; S & W 1000 12 gauge auto shotgun, mint, $275; Taurus 357, 6" blue, new, $249.95. Before 6pm, 297-6486

FURNITURE FOR SALE 058

ANTIQUE 10pc walnut dining room suite, beautiful, $3495. Call 324-0695.

Assortment of tables (4), from $40 to $65; headboard, $15; deacons's bench, $65; Lowery Organ w/all sound effects, no less than $500. Call 561-3516

BRAND NEW Livingroom Suite, sofa, loveseat & chair, floral print, Victorian look, $500. 706-628-4604

COUCH & Matching Chair, brown tones, $225/best offer. Call 327-7700.

LAZY BOY RECLINERS (2), $75 - $100; (2) gold velvet chairs, $25 each; (3) brass tables w/glass tops (2 end tables & 1 coffee table), $100 for all 3. All items in excellent cond. Call 298-8632

QUEEN SZ, Ethan Allen sofa, old but good, $75; 1940's floor model GE fm/record player, good shape, $125. Call 298-2353

** RECLINER **
Rarely used, perfect cond., blue, $200. Call 324-3347 btwn 10am-10pm

SOFA & LOVESEAT set, $250 or best offer; wood china cabinet, $50; call 563-4890. Ask for Laura

Sofa, Loveseat & chair
$200. Call 480-0765

6PC RANCH STYLE living room set, country blue & mauve, good condition, $200. Call 855-3608 local.

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Classified Advertising.....(706) 322-4500
Toll-free in Georgia..... 1-800-282-7859
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RATES

5 Lines
1 Week
$2.75

Private party items for sale by individuals can run 1 week for only $2.75. Commercial ad rates are slightly higher.

DEADLINES

In-column.....5pm Wednesday
Display.....4pm Tuesday

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Ads can be cancelled before they are published. Deadlines for cancellations are identical to deadlines for publication.

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Please check your ad for errors the first week it appears since we can not be responsbile for incorrect ads after the first week of publication. If you find an error or wish to change your ad, please call Classified Advertising as soon as possible at 322-4500.

Advertisements in our FREE column and "found" ads under LOST & FOUND are offered to our customers at no charge.

Questions or comments regarding the classified billing statement, sent to you, should be directed to our Credit Department at (706) 571-8562.

YARD SALES GA 060

ESTATE SALE
Fri., Sat. & Sun.
9am-5pm. 808 2nd Ave.
Victorian tier mirror, hall trees, Chippendale bedroom set, 9 pc. oak dining set, oak drafting table, c. 1929, Georgia primitive black walnut corner cupboard, Governor Winthrop desk, wash stands, sideboards, bookcases, executive desk, library tables, Victorian parlor sets, large assort. crystal & glassware, china, clocks, vintage radios, lamps, fishing equip., cameras & household.

MOVING SALE: Sat Only! 8am-? 426 48th St., off Oates Ave. by Cascade Hills Church, north end of Manchester Expwy.

BIG FAMILY YARD SALE
2617 Japonica Dr
Sat Only! 8am-? Furniture, household items, German stove, toys, etc...

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Classified Ads
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Corner of Dixie Rd & Ingersoll St. First & third Saturday from 8am-12noon

SAT. & SUN., 8am-6pm
Everything goes! Rain or Shine. Waterbed, clothes, tupperware, motor cycle, lots of Avon bottles, Guinea pigs, books. 503 Gaines Cir., Ft. Benning.

BARGAIN COLUMN 099

COLLECTIBLES BUY/SELL 061

BEV DOOLITTLE
"Hide & Seek"
$1,350. Call 561-7414

HUMMELS & LLADROS
1/2 price! Cash only. After 6pm, 685-2272.

SPORTS EQUIP. & SUPPLIES 064

DONNAY ULTIMATE Pro Mid & Nike tennis bag, $200/neg. Call 323-6358

GOLF CLUBS, Ladies' Jack Nicklaus, 3-SW, 3 woods, putter & bag. $150. Call 596-9108

Ledger-Enquirer
Classified Ads
Call 322-4500

PING CARSTEN I golf clubs, blue dot, 1 thru PW, $300. Call 298-6019

JEWELRY 068

LADIES stainless w/gold accents Swiss MOVADO museum watch, $450. call Karen, 324-6454 weekdays, 687-0551 eves & wknds.

MARQUIS wedding set, total 1ct., $1200. Gold nugget bracelet, $125. 568-4947

MACHINERY TOOLS 070

SHOPSMITH MARK V
Excellent condition, $900. Call 297-2892

BARGAIN COLUMN 099

MISC. FOR SALE 076

BOY'S BIKE 20", $25. (2) Infant Strollers, $30ea. Infant Carrier & Stairwell Gate $10ea. Call 689-4765.

CB, 23 channel, mike and 3 inch speaker, P.A. system, $32. Call 297-8797

COMMODORE 64 Computer
$150. Call 689-8987

ELECTROLUX vac, $40; blk entertainment center w/3 drawers, $100; king sz bed spread (new), $50; dining room table, $65. Call 682-3861

Frigidaire Heavy Duty washer & gas dryer, $100 each. Call 682-7611

Hotpoint washer, $140; Hotpoint dryer, $120. Call 685-0209

Lg sofa, $100; swivel chair, $50; recliner, $50. All in good condition. 561-6894

MICROWAVE AND CART
3 years old, $99.
Call 563-5614

Milwaukee heavy duty, portable power band saw, $240; Makita 8¼ inch table saw, new in box, $225; Bosch bulldog ¾ rotary hammer, $140.
Call 298-6812

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Classified Ads
Call 322-4500

POTTY CHAIR, $50; walker, $50; steel tub lifter, $400 or best offer. All in excellent cond. Ladies steel-toe shoes, size 7½. Like new, used only twice, $50. Sewing machine, older model, $150/offer. Call 561-2861.

BARGAIN COLUMN 099

MISC. FOR SALE 076

NINTENDO hardly used, good condition. $50 or best offer. Call 561-0499

PING EYE II Irons, 2-SW black dot, like new, $375. Call 322-4418.

Used BDUs Good condition, size small & medium, have 9 sets, $15 per set. Also 4 small tops, $5 each. Or best offer. Call 561-0499

VCR with remote, $95; Video Cassette Player, $55. Call Mike, 291-7862 after 5pm.

3PC LIVING ROOM Suite + 2 end tables & coffee table, like new, all for $350. 9 **Stone Ring,** 14kt., beautiful, $125/neg. 568-7918

8X12 PORTABLE BUILDING
Heavy duty, wood siding, shingle roof, $950.
Call 291-9385
** FREE DELIVERY **

LOST & FOUND ITEMS 077

YELLOW KNEE BOARD accidentally left on hill in front of Custer Terrace after sledding. Please return. 682-9062

MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS 078

CALLICHIO TRUMPET Custom made. Horn of Freddie Hubbard & Tower of Power. Mint condition, $700. Call 689-4362.

ELECTRA hollow body guitar, top of line, pearl & ivory inlaid, rare find! Paid $850, take $500. Call 322-5741

BARGAIN COLUMN 099

MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS 078

D. REDDING MUSIC
Beallwood Conn./50th St.
Crate G60 amp, $250. Hohner Les Paul, $450. 596-1260

R-70 Human Rhythm Composer, new in box, 250 K-card & f-switch, $700. Call 568-9384

1970 TAKAMINE acoustic Guitar w/pick-up, EF 340, $375; Ibanez rock 'n roll black Roadstar II, paid $515, take $375. 322-5741

2 Peavey Project 4 tri-amp sound reinforcement speakers, black widow loaded, with spare 15" basket, good condition, $469; 1 Evans Guitar/Keyboard amp, with JBL 15" speaker, good condition, solid state, FET, $150. Call 561-2497 lv msg.

OFFICE & STORE EQUIP. 080

Secretarial Desk 30 x 60, w/type & return, mahogany finish, Call 324-6464

TV-VIDEO STEREO SALES 096

CARVER M240 Amp & Pro-Series Pyle Drivers Speakers, 2-Twelves & 4-Tens, like new, $350 for all, will sell sep. 596-0858

GE CONSOLE TV & remote control, 23" color, beautiful cabinet, $250/best offer. Call 327-7700.

25" CURTIS MATHIS Color Console, great condition, $85. Call 569-7800.

BARGAIN COLUMN 099

MERCHANDISE WANTED 098

CASH FOR GOOD USED UNWANTED ITEMS
TVs, Stereos, Baby Beds, furniture. We also have adult gag gifts. Waters Junk, 929 Ft. Benning Rd. 687-6761. Cash paid.

TRAINS: LIONEL & FLYER
Free appraisal- cash paid.
Call 1-800-457-4973

BARGAIN COLUMN 099

METAL BATTLE Streamers, Holder for U.S. Army Flag, $15. Call 687-0696.

RADAR DETECTOR ONLY $50 CALL 563-7374

Twin Bed maple wood, complete with mattress, $50. Call 298-2466

A-Z SERVICES

CLEANING SERVICES C3

HELPING HAND Cleaning Service. Need help with housekeeping? Let us help you out! Call us at 568-1009. Reasonable rates!

BARGAIN COLUMN 099

THE BENNING LEADER "FREE FIFTY" COUPON

Free

CLASSIFIED ADS FOR ITEMS UNDER $50.00

The Benning Leader is now offering free classified ads for items totaling less than $50.00 in value. Ads will run 3 lines for one week and only ads on this original coupon form can be accepted. This coupon will run every week in The Benning Leader.

PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING GUIDELINES CAREFULLY BEFORE PLACING YOUR AD: • Ads received by noon on Tuesday will run in the following edition. Ads received after noon on Tuesday will run the next available edition. • Only non-commercial want-ads can be accepted. Please don't list animals, plants, firewood, services or homemade crafts. • Please include a daytime phone number along with your home phone number, name and home address in case we have a question about your ad.

Please include your:

Name_____

Address_____

City_____ **State**_____ **Zip**_____

Home Phone_____ **Daytime Phone**_____

Mail to:
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PRINT YOUR MESSAGE HERE-ONE LETTER OR SPACE PER BLOCK

Approximately
1 line
2 lines
3 lines

Please leave A Blank Space Between All Words And Prices. Please include your phone number.

LOOK FOR THESE BARGAINS IN OUR BARGAIN COLUMN (Classification 099)

THE BENNING LEADER "FREE FIFTY" COUPON

CHILD CARE C7

Certified Babysitter will babysit infants 0-14 months. Reasonable rates. 687-8340

NEED a loving place for your child to stay? Call 687-2486 anytime.

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Will provide quality child care service in my home, Mon-Sat, 5am-6pm. Reasonable rates, near Ft. Benning. Call 682-8515

HAULING H2

EARVIN'S LIGHT HAULING
Free Estimates!
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HOME IMPROVEMENT H3

Home Plan Service
Call 323-8379 or 561-9915

ROOFING R3

★Sweet Pea Roofing★
Reasonable Rates! 14 yrs experience. Call 571-0611

TAX PREPARATION T4

IRS ELECTRONIC Tax Filing. All Federal & GA State Forms. Great Rates. Call M-F, 9-5 for appt. 660-0828

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PETS, FARM & GARDEN

FARM EQUIPMENT 120

8N TRACTOR w/BLADE Good condition. $2250. 297-0883

PETS 122

Adorable Pure Breed Cockers golden & silver buff, $150; party mix, $200. 682-7611

AKC DALMATIANS, Call Gene Connell after 7 p.m. 912-336-0959 Sale City, GA.

AKC Dalmatian puppies, 8wks., Top English-American champion, shots, wormed, $300up. 561-2604

AKC REG. YORKIE PUPS 8 wks, all shots. Call 322-7620

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Call 322-4500

AKC Rottweiler 2 males & 1 fem. champion bloodline, $350. 855-2036 or 855-3976

AKC Rottweiler Pups: $250 each, parents on premises. Call 687-4037 aft 1:00 pm

AKC Scottish Terrier $200. AKC Shih Tzu, $175. 912-987-5288/912-967-2110

ALL BREED
Dog Training Academy
563-6568

BEAUTIFUL Golden Retriever Puppies, 6 wks old 3/22/93, $75. 706-582-2435

Full-blooded, Eskimo Spitz pups, snow white, 6wks, $50 each. Call 291-9566

LAB PUPS, AKC shots & wormed, Blk, $150; Choc & yellow, $200. 324-2976

PETS-LOST & FOUND 127

HAVE YOU LOST YOUR PET? Please contact the Muscogee County Humane Society at 7133 Sacerdote Lane, off Schatulga Road, 706-563-4929 or the Russell County Humane Society at 205-298-0080.

YOU CAN HELP SAVE A PET

Call our 24-hour hotline for lost & found pets. **480-3355** (local call for Columbus and Phenix City residents).

FREE COLUMN ANIMALS 130

NOTICE

The Columbus Ledger-Enquirer is proud to offer the **FREE COLUMN** as a valuable service to our customers. In addition to placing your **FREE COLUMN** ad, we recommend that you contact The Muscogee Co. or Russell Co. Humane Societies for important safety precautions you may wish to consider when finding a home for your pet. To find out more about what you can do to protect your animal, call your local Humane Society at 298-0080 (Russell Co.) or 563-3647 (Muscogee Co.)

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EMPLOYMENT

Index of Employment Abbreviations 202

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office - ofc.
home - hm.
work - wk.
part time - P/T
full time - F/T
experience - exp.
technician - tech.
commercial driver's license - CDL
over-the-road - OTR
service - svc.
assistant - asst.
system - sys.
references - ref.
required - req.
words per minute - wpm
secretary - sec'y
weekends - wkends
section - sec.
superintendent - super
Monday-Friday - M-F
Male/Female - M/F
Veterans/Handicapped - V/H
Equal Employment Opportunity - EEO
Affirmative Action - AA
experienced - exp.
department - dept.

JOB LISTINGS/ DIRECTORIES 215

★ POSTAL JOBS ★
Postal service to accept applications from Vets and soon to be discharged Vets.

- $23,700 per yr
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For an application and exam information, call 219-736-4715, ext. M-280, 9am to 9pm, 7 days.

US Postal & Gov't jobs. $23/hr. Now hiring. For appl/details 800-531-3535.

HELP WANTED GENERAL 216

★★★★★
ATTENTION INDIVIDUALS AGES 13 - 100+
Earn extra money selling the Sunday *Columbus* Ledger-Enquirer. Only serious applicants need apply. Call
322-3893
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HELP WANTED GENERAL 216

A BETTER JOB...
... Job opportunities increasingly are limited for people who can't read or write. Job requirements are changing because of new technology, and many workers must have reading skills in order to be retained. If you know someone who needs improved reading abilities, pass along these numbers: 706-682-2662 (Columbus) and 1-800-228-8813 (elsewhere).

EXP. CAKE DECORATOR Full-time. Kearns Creations, 6100 Hamilton Rd.

Home Assembly: To $600/wk. Crafts-Sewing-Toys-Wood, etc. 24hr: 404-250-7585.

LIFESAVERS TRAINING CENTER
TRAINING FOR ENTRY LEVEL POSITIONS IN THE HEALTHCARE FIELD AVAILABLE NOW.
● Low tuition- pymt plans.
● Job placement assistance

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We will pay you to lose 10-180 lbs. 100% guaranteed, Dr. recommended. 404-631-8833, 404-631-1356,

PART TIME DELIVERY PERSON needed Monday thru Friday 6 til 9 and Saturday 9 til 2. Apply in person Olan Mills Studios, 2028 Auburn Ave., Monday-Friday 9 til 1 or 5:30 to 8:30 and ask for Joyce

Private Fashions
Now Hiring Models
Earn up to $400 per week!
Call 687-3681

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WHAT RECESSION?!

We have an opportunity for you to make extra money as an independent contractor for the Ledger-Enquirer. The hours to deliver are flexible on either Tuesdays or Thursdays in the bi-city area and would be perfect for homemakers and retirees. All you need is reliable transportation, a valid driver's license and proof of car insurance.

If you love the freedom you already have and would like to make some money on a part-time basis, please be present at the following location to find out more about L-E EXPRESS and what it can offer you.

DATE:
Monday, March 22, 1993

PLACE:
Ledger-Enquirer Office
3902 Cody Road
Columbus, Georgia
(706) 563-7241
2:00PM ONLY

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HELP WANTED PART-TIME 218

NATIONAL Manufacturer needs retail salesperson weekends only. Call 1-800-972-6277 after 7 p.m. Monday-Friday.

MEDICAL DENTAL 220

HELP WANTED PART-TIME 218

**** AVON **** Needs Reps in your area! Training/Support. Call 1-800-329-AVON.

MEDICAL DENTAL 220

Medical Records Secretary Position Available

A good position for a highly self-motivated person, requiring minimum supervision. Experience with medical terminology helpful. Paid vacation and benefit package offered. Salary negotiable with experience. Apply in person at:
Canterbury Health Facility
1720 Knowles Rd
Phenix City, AL
Contact Lisa Ruthenberg

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Please send resume and salary history. All replies held confidentially. Experienced need only apply. Send to: Box 292 c/o Ledger Enquirer, P. O. Box 711, Columbus, GA. 31902-0711.

RN - Part-Time
Recovery room, flexible hours, for Outpatient Surgicenter specializing in women's health services.
323-8363

DRIVERS 227

DRIVERS

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SKILLS & TRADES 228

INSTALLER, on-going/pt work installing light-wt. ceiling signs, $10+/hr. Must have own transp. and step ladder. Hrs flex. Call 1-800-628-4657.

JOB WANTED 230

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MEDICAL DENTAL 220

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FINANCIAL

BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIY 410

OVERDUE BILLS?
Cut your monthly payments up to 50%!
1-800-226-0190.

VENDINGS●Hot New Venture●Poss. $950 Wkly●Invest. Req●800-330-9995.

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VENDING ROUTE●Priced Right●Poss. $850 Wkly Income●800-780-8882.

Looking for a good value?

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*Simmons Market Research Bureau, Fall, 1991.

MEDICAL DENTAL 220

MONEY TO LEND 414

High-risk lenders will fund any worthwhile project! Consolidate debts, start a new business, Military personnel welcome. Call weekdays for immediate help: 800-348-8460.

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REAL ESTATE RENTALS

Index of Rental Abbreviations 502

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bedroom - BR
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dining room - DR
living room - LR
greatroom - GR
fireplace - FP
central heat/air-cent. h/a
washer/dryer - w/d
connections-w/d conn.
refrigerator - fridge
available - avail.
north - N.
south - S.
Columbus - Cols.
Phenix City- P.C.
acres - ac.
minutes - min.
apartment - apt.
month - mo.
subdivision - S/D
large - lg.
double - dbl.
years - yrs.
utilities - util.
highway - hwy
condominium - condo
appliances - appl.
payments - pymts.
furnished - furn.
unfurnished - unf.
references - ref.
required - req.

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3 to 11 and 11 to 7
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Telemetry (M-F)
Critical Care (M-F)
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900 TRANSPORTATION

Index of Vehicle Abbreviations 911

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power windows - pw
power brakes - pb
power door locks - pdl
automatic - auto
speed - sp
miles/mileage - mi
pickup truck - p/u
horsepower - hp
miles per gallon - mpg
air conditioner - air
convertible - conv.
door - dr
engine - eng.
excellent condition-exc cond
cassette - cass.
Chevrolet - Chevy
long bed - lb
short bed - sb
transmission - trans.
four wheel drive - 4wd
service records - svc. rec.
Volkswagen - VW
Continential - Cont.
Mercury - Merc.
original owner - orig. owner
high performance - hi-pro
conversion van - conv. van
aluminum - alum.
equipment - equip.
payments - pymts.
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exterior - ext.

TRUCKS 914

BRONCO 1984 4x4, V-8, auto, exc. cond., many extras! $4900/neg. 706-582-2890

CHEVROLET TRUCK '70, exc. cond., ps, pb, $3000. Call 297-1907

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F-100 '74
4sp, good truck, $850. Call 297-0948

F-100 '75, 360 eng V8, auto, a/c, $2800/best offer. Call 322-4881

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'88 K-5 Blazer 4x4. Loaded, 2-tone paint, low mi. $9350. **Call Paul Lucas, 322-8888, ext. 500**

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MAZDA SE-5 '91, low miles, air, cass., tinted windows, more. $8000. Call 561-0819.

'91 MAZDA B-2600 LE 5 4X4, low miles, exc. cond. $10,900. Call 568-1294

NISSAN 4x4 EXTRA CAB, '85 reblt. trans., new tires, roll bar, AC, $4850. 327-9396

NISSAN '89, king cab, clean, a/c, $6250. Day# 561-3153, wknd# 706-582-3983

BUSES/VANS FOR SALE 922

Mazda MPV '91, v6, 1 owner, low mi., all options, mag wheels, $15,000. 563-8465

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'92 GMC Vandura 2500 Conv. Van fully loaded to include front & rear air, 3400 mi., must sell. Call 687-7900 Johnny Mitchell

JEEPS FOR SALE 924

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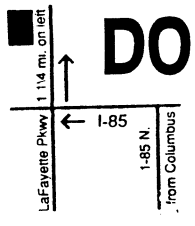

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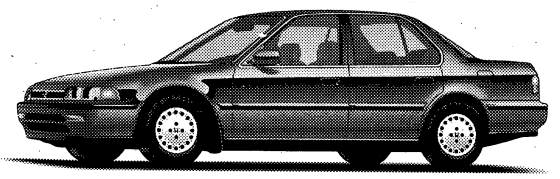

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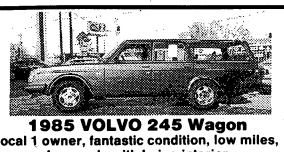

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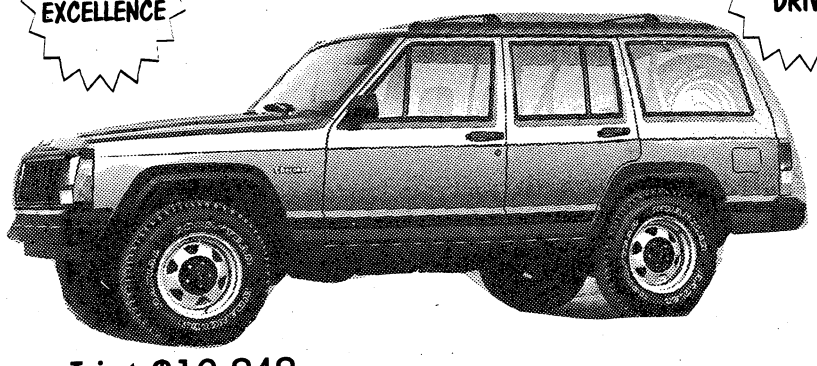

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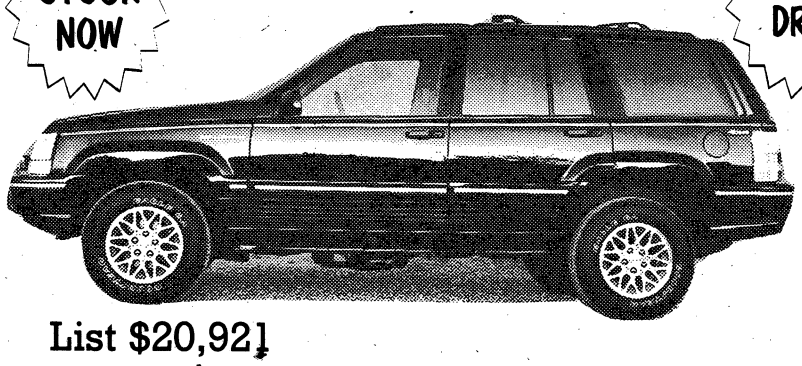

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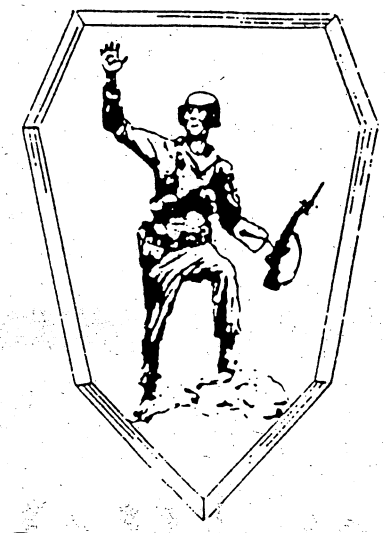

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MTH	132	AA	Math Gen Studies	McCarley	P-TEST
SOCIAL SCIENCE					
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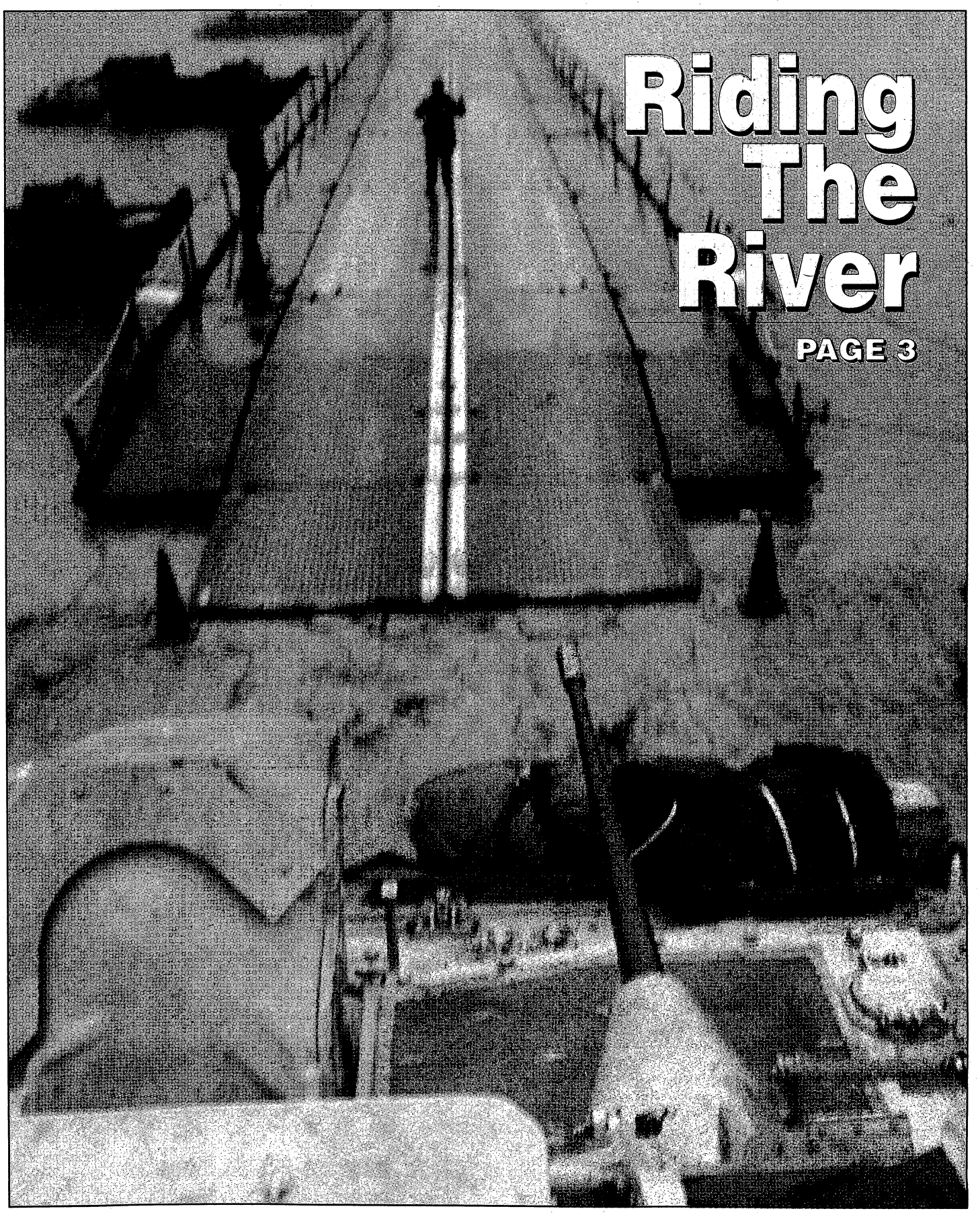

Riding The River

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COMMENTARY

OCS became vital program during war

As the fighting in the Atlantic and Pacific areas grew more intense and U.S. forces began to suffer heavier casualties, particularly in their junior officer ranks, the Army's officer candidate school (OCS) program became increasingly important.

Al Garland

Officer candidate training was a mobilization procedure because the production of Army officers in peacetime had been limited to the Military Academy, the Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC) program, the National Guard, and extension courses conducted by the various service schools. The Army had anticipated that enough officers from those sources would be available to meet its requirements during the first 120 days of mobilization. Thereafter, the Army expected that additions to its officer strength would come — except for some civilian specialists commissioned directly — from officer candidate schools, the operations of which were to being on M (mobilization)-Day.

The original plans for OC training were drawn up before 1940, but the Army's mobilization after 1940 did not proceed according to the anticipated schedule. For example, before Pearl Harbor, mobilization was much slower than had been planned and, as a result, the requirement for officers in excess of those already available did not appear until after Dec. 7, 1941. Accordingly, large scale OC training was deferred until the beginning of 1942. By the end of 1941, only 1,389 OC graduates had been commissioned for the ground arms.

(Fort Benning's OC program, which produced the largest number of OC graduates during the war, graduated its first OCS class on Sept. 27, 1941; it consisted of 171 graduates; 204 men had begun the course in July. By the end of the war, Fort Benning's OCS had graduated 62,968 new second lieutenants. It is interesting to note that the European Theater of Operations (ETO) established an infantry OCS near Paris in December 1944 for which the Infantry School provided a cadre of instructors. The school was closed in July 1945.)

During 1942, mobilization was much more rapid and extensive than had been anticipated, and the OC schools were forced to expand to unforeseen dimensions. More than 112,000 officers from the OCS program for the ground forces alone were graduated during the peak mobilization years of 1942 and 1943. For the war period as a whole, the ground arms received more than 136,000 graduates from the schools.

Although the mission assigned to the OC schools in prewar planning was that of supplying urgent officer requirements, and while they actually performed that mission after 1941, they were not established for such a purpose. In the fall of 1940, General George Marshall directed his staff to study the feasibility of opening OC schools in that December. At the time, of course, there was a seeming abundance of officers and the various branch chiefs consulted were unanimous in opposing the project. They preferred not to increase the number of officers unless the need became urgent. Although the War Department G-3 conceded that OC schools might have some morale value, he urged that the number of candidates be kept at a minimum.

General Marshall, however, directed his staff to prepare plans to provide OC schools for trainees during the last months of their year of training. (The course would last for 13 weeks; it was later expanded to 17 weeks.) He felt that while officers were not required in the near future, he believed OC graduates might be useful in a year when most of the 50,000 Reserve officers then on extended active duty would return to civilian life.

As a result, in July 1941, five OC schools were established — Infantry, Field Artillery, Coast Artillery, Cavalry, and Armored. Until 1942, the Coast Artillery School trained both seacoast and antiaircraft (AA) OCs. When the AA Command was established as part of the Army Ground Forces in March 1942, the training of AA officers was transferred to the new AA School at Camp Davis, North Carolina.

Until October 1942, new officers for tank destroyer (TD) units were detailed from the other arms; then an OC department of the TD School at Fort Hood, Texas was set up and thereafter trained OCs for the Army's TD units. (In mid-1944 both the TD and Cavalry OCSs were done away with, and the Armored School's OCS program took over the functions of turning out sufficient numbers of TD and cavalry officers.)

Unfortunately, the requirements for admission to OCS were so loosely drawn that the schools themselves were forced to develop their own means of eliminating men who should never have been selected. The operation of the OC schools was further complicated by their two-fold mission — training and selection. School instruction, which took up the major portion of time, was designed to provide the technical and tactical knowledge needed by a platoon leader. At the same time, the schools carried on a thorough screening process to determine which candidates should become officers and which should be returned to enlisted status. The two functions were performed by separate groups of officers.

Regular instruction and academic examinations were the responsibilities of a faculty of instructors. Selection of candidates for commission was the primary responsibility of tactical officers, to whose charge the candidates were assigned during the course. The work of instructors and tactical officers overlapped to some extent. The gap between the two groups was bridged by a faculty board that was responsible to the school commandant for final selection, rejection, or turn back of candidates.

Only about three-fourths of the soldiers sent to OCS were commissioned there. The mortality rate of 25 percent represented a heavy cost. The principal cause of relief from OCS were academic deficiency and lack of leadership. A few men were relieved for misconduct. Other causes for relief included resignation, failure to meet physical standards, hospitalization, death, and the receipt of direct commissions.

Throughout the war, Army Ground Forces maintained consistently the position that the OCSs provided only the initial and individual phase of officer training; the final and perhaps decisive training experience came only with the assignment of the OC graduates to unit command.

While the AGF OCSs fulfilled an indispensable mission, becoming the main source of junior officers, it was the combination of school and unit training that produced the successful junior officer for the ground combat arms in World War II.

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COVER STORY

Troops bridge the Chattahoochee

Weather was enemy during recent exercise

By Clint Claybrook
Staff Writer

Although getting soaked by a nasty, persistent rain, the soldiers of the 586th Bridge Company still wore smiles on their faces as tracked vehicles from the 3rd Brigade, 24th Infantry Division tiptoed across the engineers' ribbon bridge over the Chattahoochee River into Alabama.

The river-crossing exercise occurred during last week's wind-up of Victory Focus, a 3rd Brigade training exercise that had kept some 4,000 troops in the woods at Fort Benning for most of three weeks.

Capt. Kellie Simon, the commander of the 586th, said later that she was pleased with the way her troops performed in setting up a 550-foot pontoon bridge over the river to accommodate the 3rd Brigade's tactical movement into Russell County.

A few hours later, her troops broke the bridge down and used sections of its 6-ton aluminum bridge "bays" (floating sections) to raft the brigade's fighting vehicles back across the river, another exercise in how to speed combat elements over water in (simulated) combat conditions.

"It was a successful mission, but we need to improve our time," Capt. Kellie Simon said. "The driving criteria is to get the combat power across the river as quickly as possible . . . We need to fine tune our capabilities."

Just how bad was the weather?

The Georgia side of the river, where the 586th's vehicles were parked, was so sloppy and wet that a noncommissioned officer walking up the hill toward a paved road with a radio on his back slipped down and broke or injured three ribs. It was the only injury during the river-crossing operation that involved her 165 troops, Simon said.

Simon's soldiers do not get as much "on the water" experience as she would like, but the captain said they did this exercise well. "It was a successful mission, but we need to improve our time," she said. "The driving criteria is to get the combat power (the 3rd Brigade's tanks and Bradley Fighting Vehicles) across the river as quickly as possible . . . We need to fine tune our capabilities."

The operation began with Simon's troops backing huge bridge-hauling vehicles into the edge of the river and floating the 23 interior sections of the pontoon bridge off into water.

From there, the sections were moved about a quarter-mile downriver to Bradley Crossing, where the pieces were maneuvered into position by soldiers operating 10 Bridge Erection Boats — powerful, little olive-drab craft that remind an observer of the river boats from Vietnam-era movies — then latched together. Ramp sections were added on each end and secured to the river banks.

Two safety boats carrying lifeguards and divers from the post fire department stood watch.

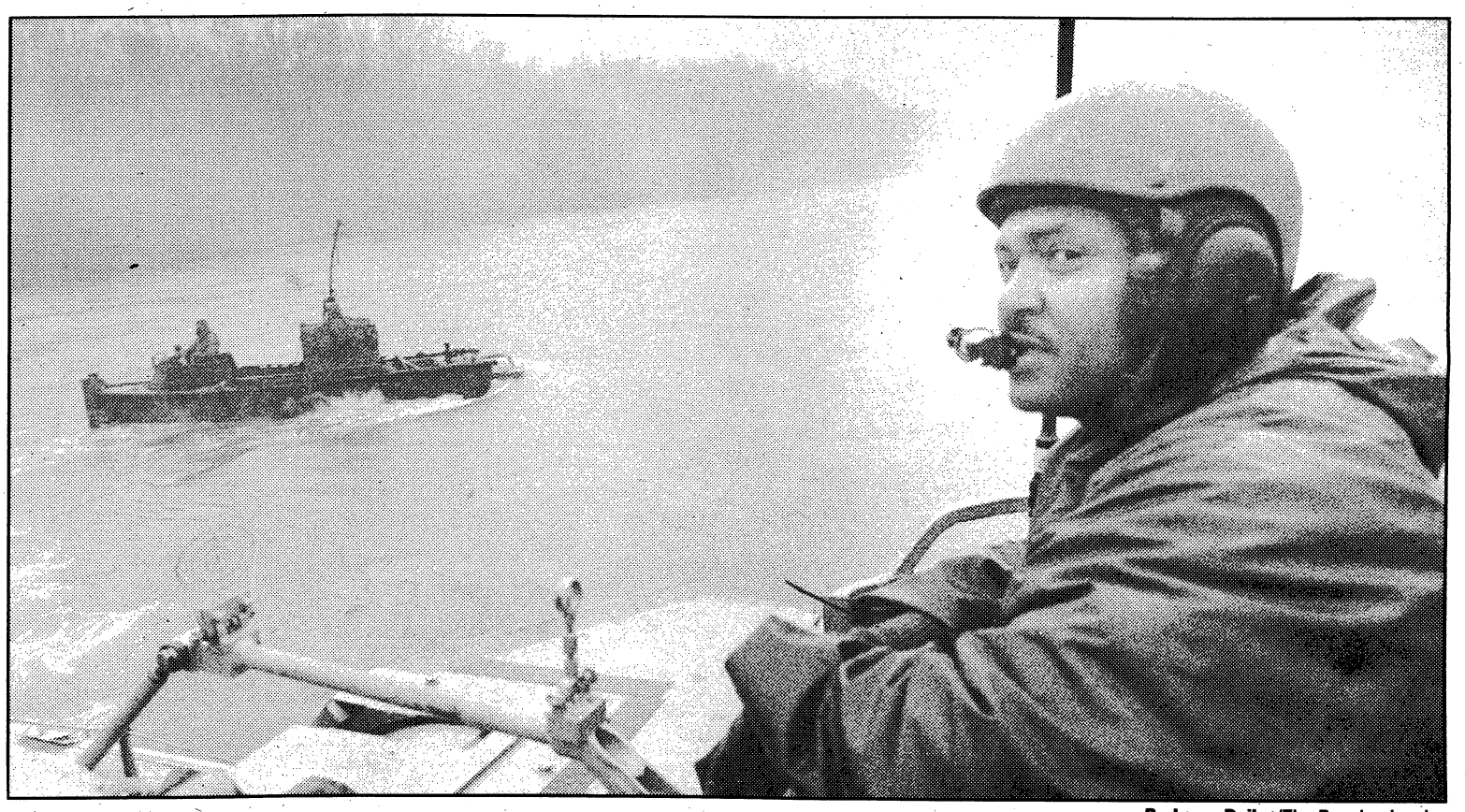
It took Simon's troops some four hours — beginning at 4:30 a.m. — to accomplish that part of the mission. She said she would have liked to see them get the time down to 1½ hours. "I'd like to get it down to that, from the time the first bay goes in the water," said Simon.

The 586th Bridge Company did get experience that week doing another river crossing with the 2nd Mobile Army Surgical Hospital and one crossing of Uchee Creek to accommodate the 3rd Brigade.

Shop talk probably doesn't stop for Simon when she goes home at the end of the work day. She is married to Capt. George Simon III, who commands Alpha Company of the 317th Engineer Battalion, another Fort Benning unit.

Any problems being a female commander?

No, said Simon, "Everybody's wearing green."



By Larry Dailey/The Benning Leader

Staff Sgt. Gary Ramsey rides a Bradley Fighting Vehicle across a temporary bridge over the Chattahoochee River last week.

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ON POST

Woodpecker case isn't going to trial

Government works deal with post workers

By Linda Bosley Dailey
Staff Writer

The three Fort Benning employees facing criminal prosecution for allegedly conspiring to harm the endangered red cockaded woodpecker's habitat won't be going to trial on those charges.

The government dismissed all the charges against Robert K. Larimore, and plans to dismiss the charges against Carl A. Divinyi and Christopher Dunn Jr. if they successfully complete a year's supervision by the U.S. Probation Office, U.S. Attorney Edgar W. Ennis Jr., announced Monday.

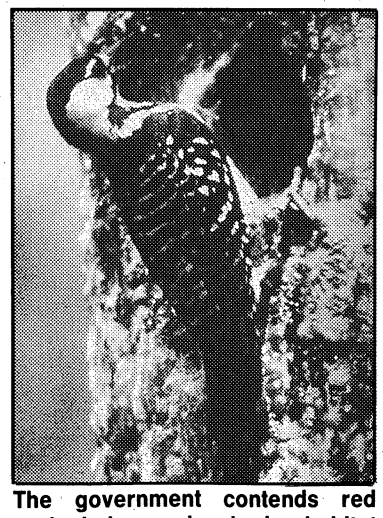
The three were indicted in January 1992 of conspiring to violate the Endangered Species Act by allegedly permitting logging on post that damaged the endangered woodpecker's habitat and concealing the bird's presence. They each faced at least one other count of making false statements.

The arrangement by which the charges will be dropped, known as a pre-trial diversion, allows a case to be resolved without it having to go to trial, said G.F. Peterman III, the assistant U.S. attorney prosecuting the case. If Dunn and Divinyi meet the terms of their supervision agreement, the criminal charges against them will be dismissed in 12 months, Peterman said.

But under the terms of a pre-trial diversion, the case may be prosecuted if the defendants violate the terms of their supervision, Peterman said.

Under the agreement, Divinyi and Dunn each also will pay a $1,500 civil penalty to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

Divinyi is "not admitting to any criminal wrongdoing" by paying the civil penalty, said Robert L. Wadkins, the lawyer representing Divinyi. Divinyi could have received six years in prison and a $10,000 fine if found guilty on both charges pending against him.



The government contends red cockaded woodpecker's habitat on post was damaged.

"I'm glad we could work it out this way," Wadkins said, adding that he was confident Divinyi would have been found innocent at trial. "There is no criminal culpability attached" to the pre-trial diversion, and striking the agreement avoids a trial, the stress it would bring and the chance the verdict might be guilty, Wadkins said.

John C. Swearingen Jr., Dunn's attorney, could not be reached to discuss the case, and Dunn declined to comment. Dunn could have faced 31 years in prison and been fined $640,000 if convicted of the seven counts against him.

"My client has been vindicated," said Michael D. Reynolds who represented Larimore. Larimore could have faced 36 years in prison and a $650,000 fine if he had been convicted of all eight charges on which he was indicted.

Larimore and Divinyi could not be reached for comment.

Dunn, Divinyi and Larimore were originally slated to be tried in March 1992, but the trial was postponed. Then in September 1992, Peterman asked for another delay so the government could evaluate newly discovered evidence.

Peterman declined to say what that evidence was or what part it played in the actual and pending dismissal of charges against the defendants.

Dunn, Divinyi and Larimore are employees of the Fort Benning Directorate of Public Works, formerly known as the Directorate of Engineering and Housing. After their indictments, the three were reassigned to jobs within the directorate that provided the same pay and comparable levels of responsibility pending the outcome of the trial, a post spokesman said last year.

Alvarez takes charge at School of Americas

By Jerry Rutledge
Military Affairs Editor

Col. Jose M. Alvarez wanted to clear up any misconceptions on becoming the commander of the U.S. Army School of the Americas last week during change of command ceremonies.

Alvarez succeeded retiring Col. Jose Feliciano, who had commanded the SOA since October, 1991.

"I have two administrative announcements," Alvarez said. "You don't have to be named Jose to take command of the school and, with the inspector general of the Army sitting in the front row, sir, I want you to know he's (Feliciano) the one who traded the plywood for the sergeant major."

FELICIANO

And thus, with a laugh and applause from an audience of dignitaries, Alvarez began his tenure as commandant of the institution that has trained more tha 54,000 officer cadets and noncommissioned officers from throughout Latin America and the United States.

Alvarez becomes the SOA's 25th commandant, the fourth since the school was relocated to Fort Benning from Panama.

Feliciano, who concluded a 30-year career in the Army with last Thursday's change of command, and his wife Carol will remain in Columbus. Feliciano is taking a position with Total System Services involving business in Central and South America.

"One of the things I know for sure is that Joe Feliciano provided the armies of Latin America the finest trained soldiers ever," said Fort Benning commander Maj. Gen. Jerry A. White.

"As School of the Americas commander, Joe never accepted the status quo. He constantly challenged the system, both here at Fort Benning and throughout the Department of Defense and moved constantly forward, for the betterment of our nation and the betterment of this hemisphere."

Alvarez comes to Fort Benning from the Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff for Operations and Plans, Headquarters, the Department of the Army. He has served several other tours at Benning, the last being a stint as assistant chief of staff of the U.S. Army Infantry Center and Fort Benning.

"I'm home. I'm an infantryman and I've come back home," Alvarez said.

"It is with a great deal of shared pride and no small sense of humility that I accept the school colors today," he said. "Shared pride because I know I don't stand up here alone and humility with full knowledge of the responsibility and the confidence that's represented in those colors that (Maj.) Gen. White passed to me."

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PROFILE

For Evans, helping people adds up

Retired colonel now giving financial advice

By Demetrius Patterson
Staff Writer

Military life taught Loyal Evans two important lessons, he says, discipline and financial responsibility.

The retired Army colonel has ended a 30-year military career, and started a new one in the world of investments as a financial consultant for Synovus Securities Inc.

"I have always been interested in helping people, and in all of my professional life I have always associated with people rather than materials and things of this nature. So this (job at Synovus) is just an extension of what I did," Evans said.

His military career began at a time when he had other plans for his life, he said.

Originally from Atlantic City, N.J., Evans came out of high school as a nominee for the U.S. Military Academy, but he didn't want an Army career at that point, he said. He wanted to be a lawyer.

"I have always been interested in helping people, and in all of my professional life I have always associated *with people* rather than materials and things of this nature," says Loyal Evans.

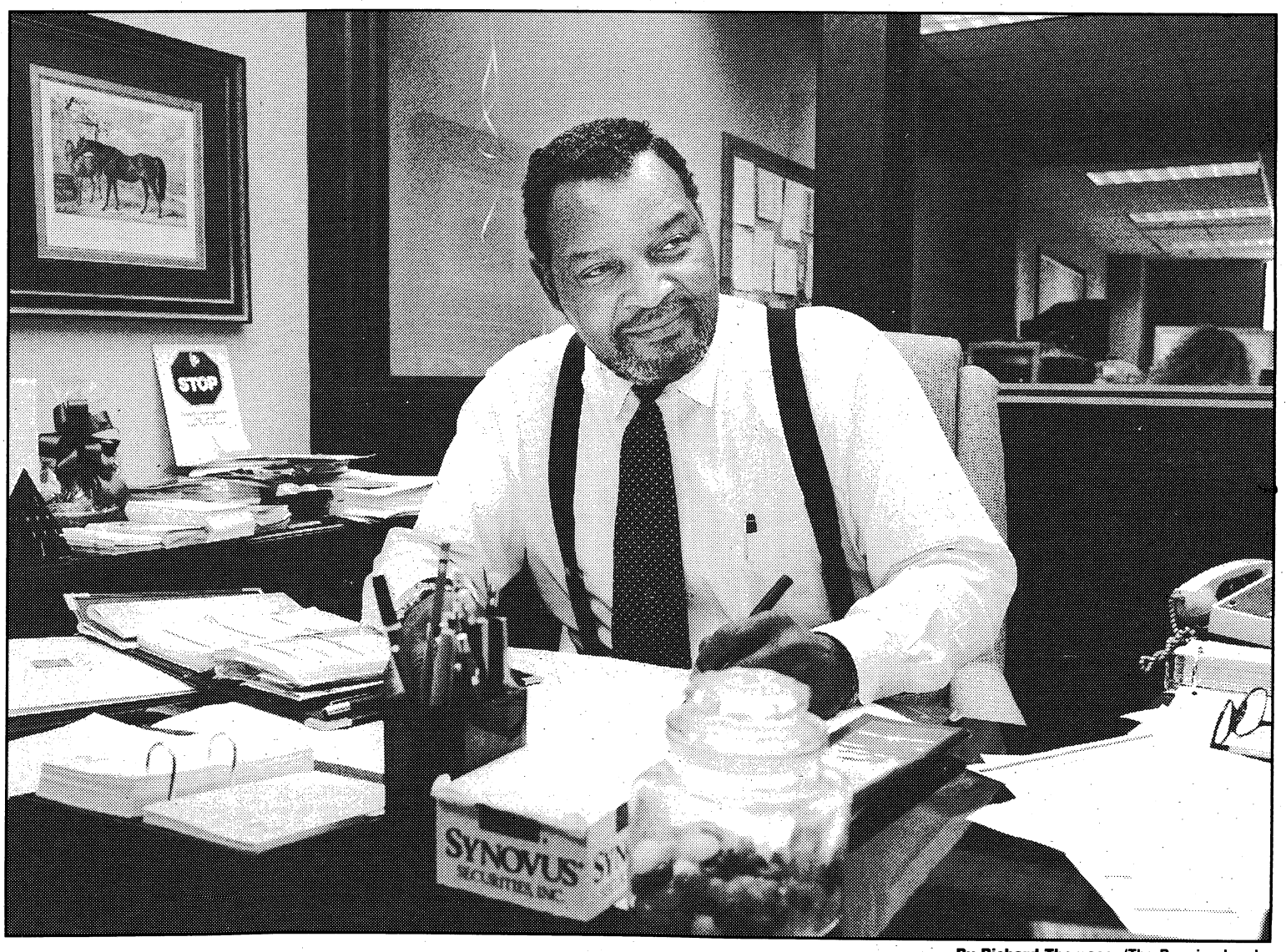
"Low and behold, I go off and end up in the Army for 30 years, something I had no intentions of doing" Evans said. "But once I was in the service, I thoroughly enjoyed it, and now understood why my father enjoyed it. And I decided to make that my career."

In the military, Evans worked as an inspector general, a military police officer and personnel manager.

Six months after graduating from college and being commissioned as an officer, Evans was called to active duty in Vietnam. He was responsible for all U.S.-captured enemy prisoners at a prisoner-of-war camp.

After a one-year tour, Evans continued his career in the military, serving as both personnel and resource manager for the Army. He retired as a colonel in 1990.

"And in all of those various positions, you kind of end up working with people and providing services to people," Evans said. "So, here I am now as a financial consultant. And I am still in the arena of helping people."



By Richard Thomason/The Benning Leader

After serving 30 years in the Army, Loyal Evans has found a home in Columbus and Synovus Securities Inc.

After retiring from the Army, Evans took a job as regional director for the City Colleges of Chicago in southwestern Germany.

Evans helped design curriculum and hire staff and faculty for the colleges' extended schools in Germany.

But Evans also knew the world of finance, which would soon prove to be his ticket after meeting the woman who would be his wife, Lt. Col. Mary Ellen Grant, and moving to Columbus.

Evans met Grant when she came to him for assistance at Fort McClellan, Ala., in 1990. Their relationship grew, and they were married. Evans later joined her on an assignment in Europe. They returned to the U.S. in 1991 with the idea of settling in Columbus, Evans said.

"We had an idea (of settling in Columbus), based on the fact that her mother and father are in Montgomery, and that my mother and stepfather were in Florida. And this was the closest any one of us had been to our parents during our military careers.

"So once we arrived here, bought a home and got situated . . . we thought this is not a bad place to be."

His wife is now chief of maternal child health at Martin Army Hospital at Fort Benning.

Evans' first exposure to investing came from a senior officer while he was in the Army, he said.

"A senior officer decided that he was going to mentor me," Evans said. "And he said to me, 'Evans, lad, I'm going to teach you how to read, write, walk, talk and make money.' And I said, 'Sir, I have a savings account.' And he said, 'Lesson number one, there is saving and there is investing.' That was my first exposure to that particular side of the house."

Another mentor speaks highly of Evans. Former Fort Benning commander retired Lt. Gen. Ken Leuer worked with Evans in Panama from 1979 to 1982. Evans worked with the military police under Leuer while coordinating efforts with the U.S. Army and the Panamanian police, Leuer said.

"He is a very dedicated person, hard working and gets along with people," Leuer said. "I consider him a person of high integrity."

Leuer, who is currently chief executive officer for Goodwill Industries, was influential in helping Evans obtain a contact with Synovus that led to the job of financial consultant.

"When I came on board here with Synovus, one of the things we attempted to do, and are still doing, is to assist the military at Fort Benning in being able to cause their money to work harder for them in achieving their future goals," Evans said.

"When I came on board here with Synovus, one of the things we attempted to do, and are still doing, is to assist the military at Fort Benning in being able to cause their money to work harder for them in achieving their future goals, particularly on the financial side," Evans said.

Whatever financial situation a person is in, Evans said it's never too late to start investing. And the best time to start investing for the future is now, he added.

"Investing is not complicated," Evans said. "I think the mystique of investing is how it is

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Loyal G. Evans

Age: 55.

Position: Financial consultant for Synovus Securities Inc.

Education: Received bachelor's degree at Morgan State University in Baltimore in 1959. Received master's degree from Wichita State University in Wichita, Kan., in 1976.

Family: Wife, Mary Ellen; one son, Logan, 3; and one daughter, Melanie, 1.

Hobbies: Golf, exercise.

DEFENSE

Aspin puts finance center process on hold

By Nolan Walters
Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON — Secretary of Defense Les Aspin has put on hold the Pentagon's process of picking new sites for the new multimillion-dollar military finance centers.

The bidding process for the finance centers, which involved cities offering everything from free buildings and land to special tax breaks, had become an embarassment of riches, said a former Pentagon official recently.

"I never expected we'd get so many 'Take us, we're yours' offers," said Sean C. O'Keefe, the former top financial officer for the Pentagon.

The extremely attractive, 'give 'em the moon' offers appear to be part of the reason that the whole process of picking new sites for 4,000- to 7,000-person finance centers has been put on hold.

The 20 finalists bidding for the new centers — including Macon and Warner Robins — tried to outdo each other in offering free land and buildings, obtaining special tax breaks, passing local referenda and even offering reduced utility rates.

Last June, Columbus bid for one of the centers but didn't make the list of finalists.

For Aspin, the bidding war for Defense Finance Accounting Service, or DFAS, centers apparently went too far.

The "policy proposed transferring from the federal government to the local taxpayers the burden of financing facilities used by the Department of Defense: pretty good for the Department of Defense, maybe not so good for public policy," Aspin told the Base Closure and Realignment Commission early last week.

Aspin said he was studying the DFAS issue and that it was his "goal" to have recommendations in time for the commission to act on them within a "couple of months."

Aspin's objections parallel criticisms of the DFAS process made in 1992 by at least two members of Congress who hoped, in the wake of the Los Angeles riots, to use the DFAS centers to spur revitalization of inner-city neighborhoods.

"The Department of Defense should not act as if it were a corporate conglomerate, demanding concessions of a would-be host community, without regard to the community's capacity to pay these costs," said Rep. John Conyers, D-Mich., in a May 22, 1992, letter to then-Defense Secretary Dick Cheney.

Still, the bidding policy seemed at the time like the only fair way to decide where to locate the finance centers, said O'Keefe, who was Pentagon comptroller from May 1989 to July 1992, before becoming secretary of the Navy.

And Aspin, who was then chairman of the House Armed Services Committee, seemed to have no problem with the plan when it was formulated. "I don't recall at any time Aspin articulating any concerns to me," O'Keefe said.

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The decision to allow communities to bid for the DFAS centers dates back to the last Base Closure and Alignment Commission in 1991, O'Keefe said.

One of the bases being closed was Fort Benjamin Harrison, in Indianapolis. Also located on that base was the largest existing unit of the newly consolidated Defense Finance Accounting Service.

To absorb the economic shock of closing the Army base, the local community recommended that all DFAS activities be consolidated at the Indianapolis center. But instead, the base closure commission decided that the Indianapolis center was in poor repair and should be closed.

"Short of moving everybody out into the parking lot, we had to come up with something," O'Keefe said.

"The Department of Defense should not act as if it were a corporate conglomerate, demanding concessions of a would-be host community, without regard to the community's capacity to pay these costs," said Rep. John Conyers, D-Mich.

The 1991 base closure commission also said, in legislation approved by Congress, that national security and economics should be the overriding reasons for closing or realigning military facilities.

With modern communications, there is simply no national security reason for locating a DFAS center in one place and not in another, O'Keefe said. "There isn't any place that screams out to you why it should be there," he said.

As a result, saving money became the foremost reason for picking sites for the new DFAS centers. "It was born of the idea of making it as equitable as possible because you can't defend picking some places over others," he said.

Still, O'Keefe said, when 200 very attractive offers started arriving, there were misgivings that the federal government might be shifting financial responsibilities to local communities and states.

On the other hand, changing the process in midcourse and telling communities what they could and couldn't offer to win a lucrative new federal payroll "smacked of Big Brotherism," he said.

Pentagon officials also feared that rejecting the least expensive site options would set off a fight among members of Congress for the new finance centers. It would cause a "big political gerrymandering maneuver," he said.

About the only "substantial" argument that Pentagon officials considered for changing the selection process came from former Sen. Alan Dixon, D-Ill., and Conyers, O'Keefe said. Conyers is a fiery Detroit congressman who chairs the Government Operations Committee. Dixon was defeated in his re-election bid by Carol Mosley Braun.

They argued that the new finance center should be placed in run-down inner-city areas to spur economic revitalization.

In a letter to Cheney, Conyers said that selection criteria for the new DFAS centers worked against big cities because they gave credit for such elements as "above-average high school graduation rate" and "moderate to low crime rate."

Conyers recalled that after touring the Los Angeles riot area, President Bush said that "government has an absolute responsibility to solve these problems," and he accused the Pentagon's DFAS policy of being "wholly contrary to this philosophy."

Cheney eventually rejected the idea of using the DFAS centers for "social engineering" because he felt it would be unfair to change the plan in midcourse and would anger the competing cities, O'Keefe said.

Helping people really adds up for Loyal Evans

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(presented) to people. Most people think that they have to have a lot of money, that there is a high, high probability that they are going lose all this money.

"But there are any number of investment vehicles out there. They are at various levels of risk, from low to high, to very high. And it all depends on the financial goals of the individual, and the individual's tolerance to risk to achieve this financial security."

Evans said his position at Synovus is one where he never stops going to school. He said his new organization and community have been very warm in welcoming him and his family.

Now, after moving his mother here from Florida in December following the death of his stepfather, Evans said he's ready to keep all the wheels in motion to ensure a good life in Columbus.

"I'm a individual who has had the opportunity to do a lot of things a lot of people dream of doing," Evans said. "And I've found out that in all that I have done, it is the simple things that really mean the most to me — my wife and children. I think that family is very, very important to me.

"And I think that being able to share and help others is also very important. I find that in this position that I'm able to do that. So I've got the best of two worlds."

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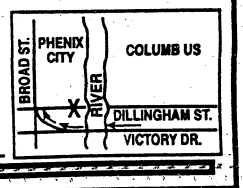

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IN BRIEF

Kelley Hill choir plans Easter musical April 4

The Kelly Hill Protestant Choir will present an Easter musical titled "We Call Him King of Kings" on Sunday, April 4.

The choir created and arranged by Karen McEver and Rhonda Eggleston will present scenes of the last week of the Lord's life before he was crucified and resurrected.

The Choir will be at Regimental Chapel on Sand Hill at 9:45 a.m., Kelly Hill Chapel at 11:15 a.m., and The Infantry Chapel at 7 a.m. All are welcome to attend any performance.

PASSOVER SEDER: The Fort Benning Jewish Community invites you to Passover Seder at Regional Chapel April 5 at 7 p.m.

Reservations are required and will be on a first come-first serve basis. A donation of $5 is requested to cover the cost of the Seder. Trainees are exempt from donations.

Volunteers are needed to assist with the preparation. To RSVP, call Chaplain (Capt.) Rutberg at 544-9269 by March 30.

WOMEN OF THE CHAPEL: Protestant Women of the Chapel has begun its spring Bible study. The group meets 9:30 to 11:45 a.m. each Thursday in Building 2521. Baby-sitting is provided free of change in adjacent Building 2517.

For more information, contact Gwen Chandler at 682-5546 or Loree Smith at 685-0809.

COMMUNITY CHOIR: The Infantry Center Chapel is forming a community choir for the Easter Sunrise service.

The choir will consist of volunteers throughout the community. The organizational meeting will be every Wednesday at 7 p.m. in the TIC Chapel.

Anyone interested in being a part of the choir should contact Chaplain (Maj.) Steedley at 545-2050.

LENTEN PROGRAM: "Rolling Back the Rock — The Religious Meaning of Holy Week," a video/discussion series is being presented on Sundays from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. at the Dexter School library.

The videos feature nationally known storyteller and theologian, Father John Shea. Ken and Debbie Sutton will facilitate this event.

PIZZA AND PRAYER: Soldiers of the 2nd MASH, Ranger Regiment and 36th Engineer Group are all invited to attend a pizza and prayer luncheon at the Sightseeing Road Chapel Annex. The luncheon will take place March 30 11:30 to 1. Bring a friend and share the word. For more information, contact Sgt. Woodland at 545-2169.

EASTER SERVICE: There will be an Easter Sunrise Service 6:30 a.m. April 11 at Doughboy Stadium.

"BOOT CAMP": PARTY, the youth group for children 4-years-old through sixth grade, will start a new series called "Bible Boot Camp."

It will give children a "Basic Course in God's Army," teaching them who their commander-in-chief is, how to study their "training manual," what to wear for battle and the weapons to use in "spiritual warfare."

Each session will be held 1-3:15 p.m. at the Religious Education Center and will feature games, crafts, videos and snacks.

The Religious Education Center is located in Building 2522 on Thorston Road behind Quartermaster Laundry.

Sessions will be held this Saturday, April 10 and 24, May 8 and 22.

For registration or more information, call Margaret Alberici at 689-1164.

Holy Week worship schedule

CATHOLIC

April 4, Palm Sunday
8:30 a.m. — Regimental Chapel
10 a.m. — Theatre #3

April 5, Holy Monday
Noon — Mass, MPCC
7 p.m. — Parish Mission & Penitential Svc., Main Post Catholic Chapel and Penitential Svc. Confessions, Soldiers Chapel

April 6, Holy Tuesday
Noon — Mass, MPCC
7 p.m. — Parish Mission & Penitential Svc., MPCC and Stations of the Cross Regimental Chapel

April 7, Holy Wednesday
Noon — Mass, MPCC
7 p.m. — Film Ministry on Passion & Death, Regimental Chapel

April 8, Holy Thursday
5 p.m. — Mass of Last Supper (Spanish), MPCC
7 p.m. — Mass of Last Supper, MPCC
7 p.m. — Washing of Feet, Mass Benediction (Blessed Sacrament) Regimental Chapel

April 9, Good Friday
Noon — Stations of the Cross, MPCC
3 p.m. — Good Friday Liturgy & Communion (Spanish), MPCC
3 p.m. — Veneration of the Cross, Regimental Chapel
5:30 p.m. — Good Friday Liturgy & Communion, MPCC

April 10, Black Saturday
10 a.m. — Day of Bereavement (Spanish) Retreat, Holy Trinity
6:30 p.m. — Blessing of New Fires, Blessing of Water, Baptisms, Mass, Regimental Chapel
7 p.m. — Easter Vigil Mass, MPCC
9 p.m. — Easter Vigil Mass (Spanish), MPCC

April 11, Easter Sunday
8:15 a.m. — MPCC
8:30 a.m. — Regimental Chapel, Martin Army Hospital
9:30 a.m. — MPCC (Spanish)
10 a.m. — Theater $3 (Special treat for soldiers after Easter Mass)
10:30 a.m. — 11th Infantry Regiment Chapel
11:30 a.m. — MPCC

PROTESTANT

April 4, Palm Sunday
9:30 a.m. — The Infantry Center Chapel
7 p.m. — TIC (Kelly Hill Choir)

April 8, Maundy Thursday
7 p.m. — Soldiers Chapel and Infantry Center Chapel

April 9, Good Friday
11 a.m. — TIC Chapel
5 p.m. — Regimental Chapel

April 11, Easter Sunday
6:30 a.m. — Sunrise Service, Doughboy Stadium
8 a.m. — Sand Hill Chapel, LDS/Mormon
8:30 a.m. — Kanell Field
9:30 a.m. — TIC Chapel, Protestant Sand Hill Chapel, Lutheran
11 a.m. — TIC Protestant, Regimental, Episcopal, Sand Hill Chapel, Somoan

JEWISH

April 5 — Passover Seder
6 p.m., Regimental Chapel

Clinton reportedly took most of Jewish vote

Associated Press

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AT EASE

Vince Gill says today's stars take themselves too seriously

By Jim Abbott
Orlando Sentinel

With their ongoing feud over the artistic merits of "Achy Breaky Heart," Travis Tritt and Billy Ray Cyrus have proven that controversy still sells albums — even in the well-mannered world of country music.

But soft-spoken Vince Gill is content to pass on the cheap publicity and remain cheerfully above the fray.

"I find most of that stuff embarrassing, to be honest," Gill said by phone from Nashville. "I think everybody's taking themselves a little too seriously. I mean, I've got my opinion on all that stuff, but I just keep it to myself. I think that's the only way to be."

So isn't there anything that perturbs the affable Gill?

"Just bad golf shots," Gill said, emitting a healthy chuckle. "That's about all that will wig me out."

A golfer since his boyhood in Oklahoma, he once considered joining the PGA Tour — and he frequently hits the links at PGA Pro-Am events when his busy schedule allows. His concert fans keep him well-supplied for the sport, showering him with packs of golf balls instead of the women's underwear they throw at Cyrus and others.

"I don't wear women's underwear, so it really doesn't do me any good," Gill said, laughing. "I think some of the other boys get lingerie and those kinds of things, and I wind up getting golf balls and roses."

Not that he's complaining.

"The bus smells nice and I've got plenty of golf balls now."

While carving out a career as a highly respected Nashville background singer and session musician, Gill released three commercially unsuccessful solo albums in the 1980s before gaining fame with his breakthrough "When I Call Your Name" (1990). Anchored by his chart-topping duet with Patty Loveless on the title track, the album also yielded the Top 10 singles "Oklahoma Swing" (with Reba McEntire) and "Never Knew Lonely" as well as the Top 20 hit "Never Alone."

A year later, Gill followed with "Pocket Full of Gold," scoring another No. 1 with the spirited "Take Your Memory With You" and winning song-of-the-year (for "Look at Us") and male-vocalist-of-the-year honors from the Country Music Association.

Gill, 35, returned to the top of the charts last year with the title cut from his "I Still Believe in You album," which earned him a Grammy for country male vocal Wednesday night. "I Still Believe in You" also matches Gill with yet another compatible duet partner in Alison Krauss, who sings on the bluegrass-flavored "Pretty Words" and the ballad "No Future in the Past."

"I've known about Alison for a few years because of my love for bluegrass," Gill explained. "I heard her sing several years ago, and I just started spreading the word about her and got a lot of people interested in trying to sign her as a country artist.

"But she really had no interest in being one. She enjoyed staying true to the bluegrass world, so I would go see her when she'd play. I was just a huge fan the first time I heard her play and sing."

In addition, Gill recently teamed with Reba McEntire for "The Heart Won't Lie," a duet from her "It's Your Call." In the video for the song, Gill plays a hard-nosed drill instructor charged with turning McEntire's recruit character into a lean, mean, fighting machine. To prepare for what he calls the "country version" of "An Officer and a Gentleman," Gill studied the work of one of history's most famous Marines.

"Before we got started, I told Reba I'd been studying all the Gomer Pyle tapes I could get my hands on," Gill said, failing to suppress his laughter. "I told her I could act just like Gomer."

Whatever his motivation, Gill said that he did an admirable job of standing in the rain barking orders while McEntire did push-ups in the mud.

"We were laughing more than anything else. You don't really see that in that scene. What made everybody laugh was how much I yelled and screamed at Reba. They (the crew) didn't think I had it in me."

On his current tour, Gill is alternatively sharing the bill with Pam Tillis and Mary-Chapin Carpenter, two performers that Gill said nicely complement his style.

"I worked a lot with Mary-Chapin last year, and we get along so well. I think musically it's a wonderful, wonderful package and I feel the same way about Pam.

"We try to work with people who are compatible to make it a good musical evening as opposed to maybe trying to pick the hottest artist going. Fortunately for us, Chapin is just as qualified to be a headliner as I am — and the same with Pam. So it's really a co-headlining-type deal."

In keeping with his easygoing approach to the music business ("We've had the last couple months off," Gill said, when asked about an upcoming rehearsal, "and I think everybody's forgotten those three chords"), Gill steadfastly resists the temptation to make his songs a platform for social commentary, a la Garth Brooks' "The Thunder Rolls" and "We Shall Be Free."

Vince Gill

Concert

WHAT: Vince Gill and Mary-Chapin Carpenter.

WHERE: Columbus Municipal Auditorium, 400 Fourth St.

WHEN: 8 p.m. Thursday.

TICKETS: $18.50. On sale at all Spectrum stores; 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday at the Auditorium box office through Wednesday.

INFORMATION: 571-5891.

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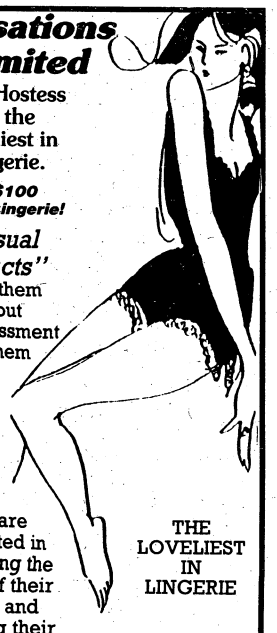

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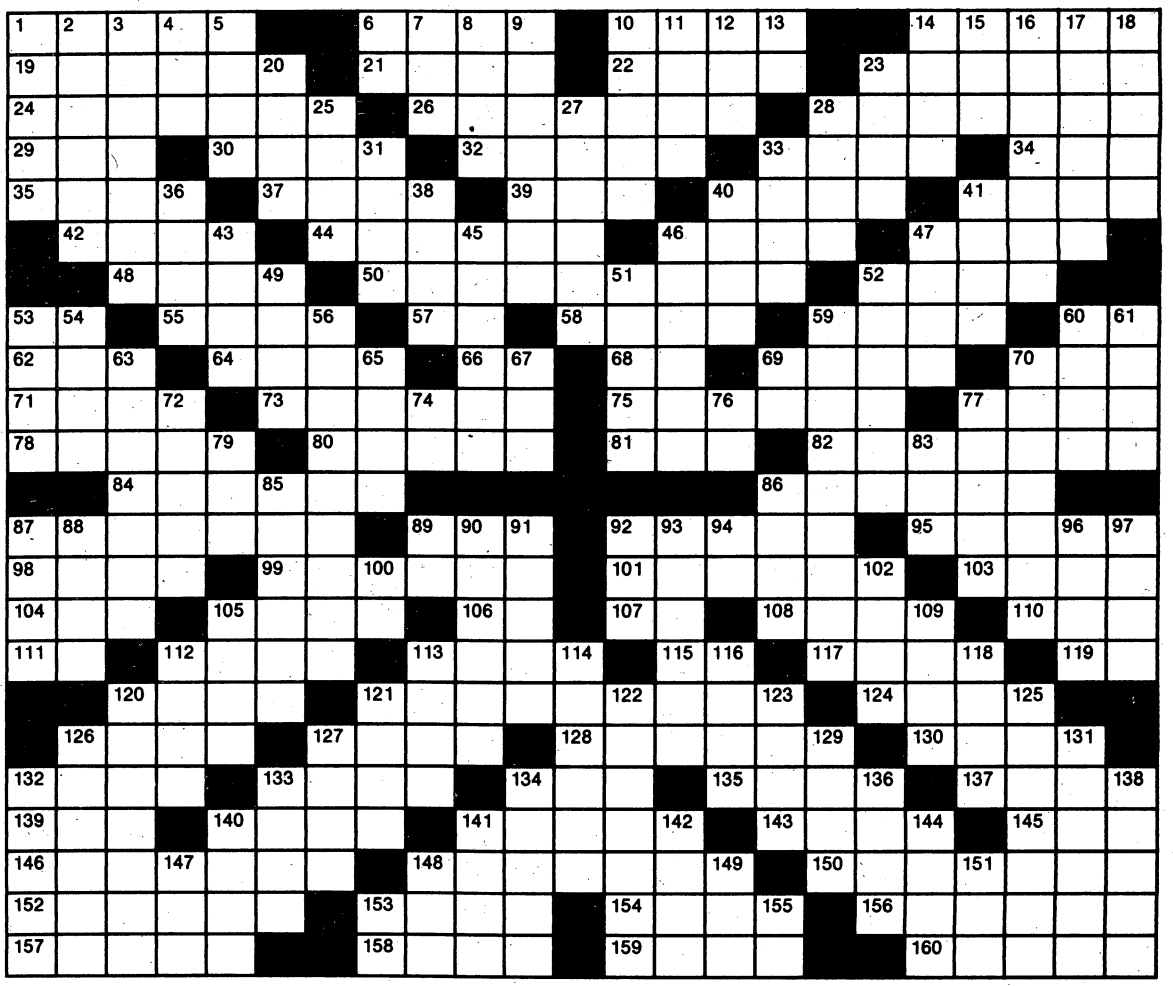

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Break out the fiddle for 'Smoke on the Mountain'

From staff reports

It'sa cool June night in 1938 at the Mount Pleasant Baptist Church in the Blue Ridge Mountains of North Carolina and the congregation gathers for the first-ever Saturday night sing.

Unfortunately, the Sanctified Sanders Singers are late, the crowd is getting restless and Rev. Oglethorpe is sweating bullets. He tries his hand at entertaining his flock with a ragged rendition of "Rock of Ages" and, failing mightily, he launches into an impromptu sermon by reminding them that "God scratches where the world itches."

The church's membership has declined to only 67 in recent years and Rev. Oglethorpe has booked the Sanders Family as a last-ditch effort at reviving interest in his ministry.

Little does he know, though, that the traveling gospel troupe has had an automobile accident and is hitchhiking in twos and threes across the countryside, struggling to make the performance.

Just when the young pastor is about to apologize and send the crowd home, the gospel group begins arriving — much to his relief. After hastily setting up the *church's* chancel for the show, the Sanders Family takes out guitars, fiddles, banjos, mandolins and other instruments and starts the performance with a bluegrass version of William S. Pitts 1865 gospel tune, "Church in the Wildwood."

This is the beginning of the Springer Opera House's Main Stage production of "Smoke on the Mountain," a brand-new, award-winning Broadway musical with a bluegrass-gospel score. The show, which opens tonight, is a funny celebration of Americana and rural church music with a mixture of cracker barrel humor, Christian sweetness and light and the simple pleasures of good-hearted people having a roaring good time out in the woods.

"Smoke on the Mountain" has more than two dozen bluegrass and gospel tunes in its uptempo musical score, including old favorites like "Whispering Hope," "I'll Live a Million Years," "I'll Fly Away," "When the Roll Is Called Up Yonder," "Angel Band," "No Tears in Heaven," "I Wouldn't Take Nothing for My Journey Now" and "Built Upon the Rock."

Connecting the songs together is a series of stories that each family member tells about his or her own spiritual journey. Their witnessing ranges from Denise's tale about the time she ran away from home to audition for David O. Selznick for the role of Scarlett O'Hara to Vera's children's sermon about a bug dropping into her glass of lemonade. Burl's brother Stanley tells what it was like doing road work on the chain gang and Dennis reveals how he perfected his preaching skills by sermonizing to his dog, Rufus. Burl relates a dramatic story about his encounter with Satan disguised as a beer salesman and June likens her visit to Mount Pleasant to a tour she and July took of the Fontana Dam.

Paul R. Pierce directs "Smoke on the Mountain" with musical direction by Luann Brown. Scenic designer John Thigpen provides the setting at the backwoods church and Dona Pierce has designed the Depression Era costumes. Springer technical director William C. Rich is the show's lighting designer.

Pierce says that seeing "Smoke on the Mountain" is like "receiving a greeting card that was sent 50 years ago but somehow got lost in the mail."

Springer play

WHAT: "Smoke on the Mountain," the spring musical at the Springer Opera House.

WHERE: Springer Opera House Main Stage, 103 10th St.

WHEN: 8 tonight-Saturday and April 1-3; 2:30 p.m. Sunday.

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Spaulding to relinquish command of hospital

Ceremony will be held this morning

By Linda Bosley Dailey
Staff Writer

Col. Vernon C. Spaulding Jr. will turn over command of Martin Army Community Hospital to Col. Michael J. Kussman at 11 a.m. today during a ceremony at the Medical Department Activity's parade field near the hospital.

Kussman comes to Martin Army from the Pentagon, where he was director of the Division of Quality Assurance in the Office of the Secretary of Defense (Health Affairs).

Spaulding will continue to be attached to Martin Army pending assignment by the Department of Army. Spaulding is on special assignment in Washington, D.C., with the U.S. Army Office of the Surgeon General, said Cindy Vaughan, a spokesman for the U.S. Army Health Services Command at Fort Sam Houston, Texas. He will continue working on that assignment after he turns over command to Kussman, she said.

SPAULDING

The Wall Street Journal reported Wednesday that Spaulding is a one of more than 500 people who are working on committees of Hillary Rodham Clinton's health care reform task force. Neither the Health Services Command nor the White House Communications Office would say whether Spaulding is working with the task force.

But where Spaulding will go after his temporary assignment is unknown, Vaughan, the spokeswoman for Health Services Command, said.

Spaulding was nominated for promotion to brigadier general by former President Bush last year, and had been slated to take command of Eisenhower Army Medical Center at Fort Gordon, near Augusta, Ga. But Congress, which must approve general officers' promotions, did not act upon his promotion, said Pentagon spokeswoman Sgt. 1st Class Dawn Kilpatrick.

Kussman, a native of Troy, N.Y., is a graduate of Boston University. He completed his internship and first year of residency in Boston at the New England Deaconess Hospital.

He then entered the Army and served as a battalion surgeon with the 7th Infantry Division in South Korea, and next, as director of hospital clinics at Cutler Army Hospital at Fort Devens, Mass.

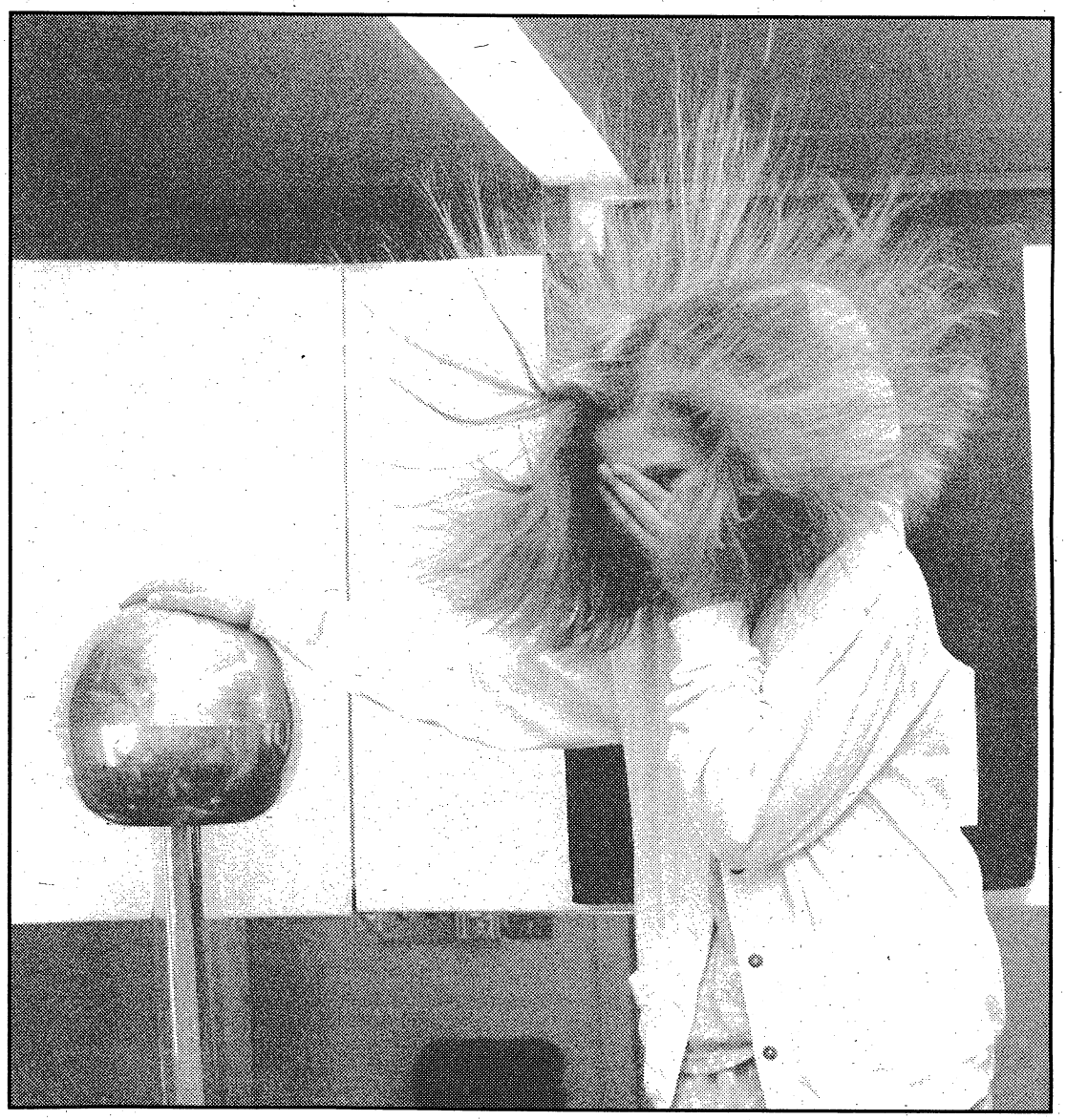
Kussman then completed his training in internal medicine at Joslin Clinic in Boston. He then practiced internal medicine and endocrinology in Pittsfield, Mass., for seven years before returning to active duty in 1979.

Kussman, 48, is a graduate of the Army War College and an honor graduate of the Command and General Staff College.

Kussman and his wife, Virginia, have two children.

At Eisenhower Army Medical Center, Col. Philip J. Keating has been serving as acting commander since October 1992, said Abby Kirkland, a medical center spokeswoman.

Eisenhower has no information on when a permanent commander will arrive or whether it will be Spaulding who takes command, she said.



By Allen Horne/The Benning Leader

Jessica Malott, a Faith Middle School student, participates in a hair-raising experiment on static electricity and magnetism during a Mobile Discovery Center presentation this week.

Science presentation gives students a thrill

By Linda Bosley Dailey
Staff Writer

A science presentation at Faith Middle School this week turned out to be a hair-raising and enlightening experience for students — literally.

Aboard the Mobile Discovery Center, students watched classmates participate in experiments — one of which made a student's hair stand on end and another in which a student caused light bulbs held near her to glow — without being plugged in.

While the experiments made the students laugh, they also exhibited the laws of magnetism and static electricity. Other experiments, too, entertained students. And breaking a piece of glass with sound waves even startled them.

"Technology is part of your future," Sgt. 1st Class Thomas Stocks told the Faith Middle School students. "Without understanding the basics, your future will be limited."

But then, making the study of math and science fun is the goal of the program, said Sgt. 1st Class Thomas Stocks, who conducted the presentation.

*The Mo*bile Discovery Center, housed in a tractor-trailer, is a traveling math and science exhibit based at the National Science Center at Fort Gordon, near Augusta, Ga. The exhibit travels across the nation to promote students' interest in studying math and science. It came to Fort Benning's Faith School for four days this week.

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A collaborative effort by the National Science Center and the U.S. Army Recruiting Support Command, the Mobile Discovery Center is designed to heighten students' interest in studying math and science — thus helping the nation remain competitive in those fields and helping the Army get better soldiers.

Most of 36th Engineer troops have returned

From staff reports

Most of the approximately 1,000 36th Engineering Group soldiers who deployed to Somalia as part of Operation Restore Hope have now returned.

The latest installment, some 115 troops from the 43rd Engineer Battalion, returned Wednesday morning. Brig. Gen. Jay Hendrix, the deputy commander of Fort Benning, welcomed the troops upon their plane's landing at Lawson Army Airfield at 11:55 a.m..

About 150 family members and friends greeted the troops as they strolled off a chartered World Airlines plane, said Al Blanchard, a Fort Benning spokesman.

The earliest party of 36th Engineer Group soldiers to leave for Somalia departed during Christmas week, but most left in early to mid-January. The 36th Engineer Group improved roads and constructed billeting for military personnel in the eastern African nation.

36th Engineer Group commander Col. Philip Anderson had announced earlier that the 63rd Engineer (CSE) Company and a platoon from the 608th Ordnance Company will remain in Somalia through July.

WORLD

Military watchful as Somalia celebrates the end of Ramadan

From wire reports

MOGADISHU, Somalia — Somalia celebrated the end of Ramadan on Wednesday under the watchful eye of foreign troops ready for any outbreak of violence.

Extra patrols cruised Mogadishu's pot-holed streets, and observation posts were erected at major intersections as residents observed Eid El-Fitr, the feast that marks the end of the Muslim fasting month of Ramadan.

Harrier jets from the just-arrived USS Wasp's amphibious group screamed low over the city several times Wednesday, twice releasing a group of 10 flares that created a sort of daylight fireworks display.

Some Somalis were angry or frightened by the show of force. Others cheered, reminded of past Eid El-Fitr celebrations when the former government's military jets would buzz overhead.

"It's just a show of force ... to advertise our presence," said Marine Col. Fred Peck, the U.S. military spokesman for Operation Restore Hope. "It's not only the end of Ramadan but the end of the peace conference."

Peace talks among the country's 15 factions were scheduled to conclude in the Ethiopian capital of Addis Ababa on Wednesday, and officials were worried about the possibility of demonstrations linked to the end of negotiations and Ramadan.

Leaders of some Somali factions refused to sign a compromise agreement on an interim central government to rebuild the country after two years of fighting and famine. It was unclear if an accord would be reached.

The southern port of Kismayu, the scene of the most recent outbreak of unrest, was reported quiet.

The coalition used a New Zealand Andover transport plane to drop 200,000 leaflets over Kismayu and the surrounding area, reminding residents the city has been declared a weapons-free zone.

Though there seemed to be little to be thankful for amidst the rubble of homes, banks, government buildings and museums in Mogadishu, people smiled and laughed as they thronged to gathering points to engage in mass ceremonial dances and chants.

Some carried spears or knives as they danced. A few gunshots rang out in the distance.

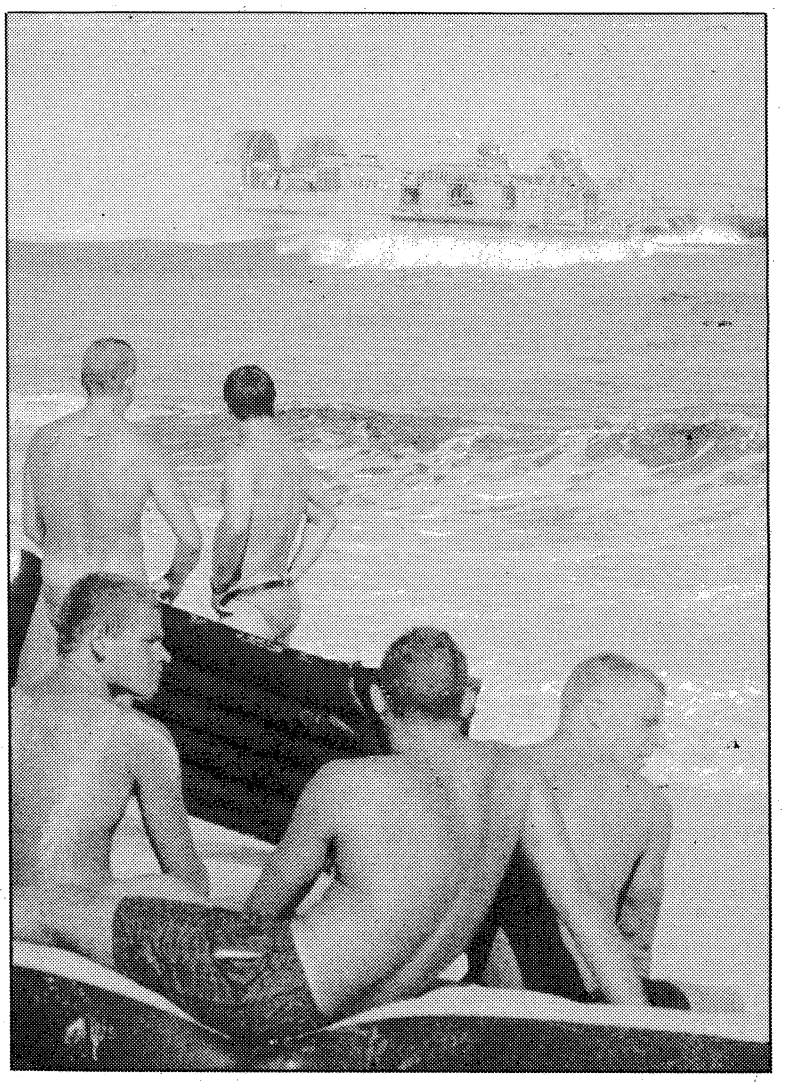
Most people got up early for special services at mosques. Watermelons, grapefruits, bread and tea were on the menu for breakfast.

Families slaughtered a goat or camel if they could afford one. For those who had no money, it was another meal of wheat, maize or other grains.

Some children received gifts of new clothes and toys. Groups of teen-age girls strolled together to show off their bright new scarves and long, wrap-around dresses, giggling and waving at passers-by.

But one of the most popular new toys created a sense of unease among the coalition forces sent to protect food shipments to the lawless, starving land.

In addition to sunglasses adorned with cartoon characters was a new wave of plastic pistols that look very much like the real thing. Last week, Peck issued a plea for parents not to buy such toys, calling them an accident waiting to happen.



Associated Press

A group of U.S. Marines lounging on the beach near the Mogadishu airport watches a hovercraft from the USS Wasp's amphibious group Wednesday.

COMMUNITY

Bishop helps NCOA honor units for duty in Somalia

By Clint Claybrook
Staff Writer

The Noncommissioned Officers Association got a potential heavyweight to present two awards to 36th Engineer Group soldiers this week.

U.S. Rep. Sanford Bishop, who is Georgia's Second District representative from Columbus, made the presentation of the NCOA awards at an NCOA membership meeting on Monday.

BISHOP

The awards were in appreciation and recognition of the unit's service in Somalia, said Command Sgt. Maj. Eddie Roberts of the 11th Infantry Regiment, the local NCOA chapter chairman. One plaque went to the 36th Group, the other to the 43rd Engineer Battalion.

Bishop said he was happy with his role presenting the awards because the 36th Group "was sent to Somalia in a real humanitarian effort to make a difference in the lives of people who were in need."

Bishop's district includes Fort Benning and he is on the House Veterans Affairs Committee. But the congressman, elected in November, did not discuss military issues at the luncheon Monday other than to comment on the 36th Group's service in Africa.

The NCOA also saluted local "certified merchants" — those the group says helps with various Fort Benning activities and others it says helps soldiers and their families with discount prices. Included in that group were Columbus Bank and Trust Co., Poppa John's Pizza, Arco Military Sales and Service and Ranger Joe's.

Entertainment scheduled for running fest

From staff reports

The Fort Benning Officers Wives' Club will be sponsoring a number of entertainment events in conjunction with its 1993 Festival of Running on Saturday, April 3.

The race is open to the public and includes a five-mile run at 8 a.m.; a 13.1-mile five-person relay team (mini-ekiden) at 9 a.m.; a one-miler for children 10 years old and under at 10 a.m.; and a 1.5-miler for children 11 years and up at 10:30 a.m.

The entertainment events will occur concurrently with the running events, with Jim Gallagher as the master of ceremonies. The entertainment will be a jump by the Silver Wings at 8 a.m.; an appearance by Miss Columbus Simone Savoie at 8:10; Unit Running Awards (presented by Miss Columbus) at 8:20; a performance by country-western singer Angel Maddox at 8:40; a jazz dance number by Jo Ann Jordan at 9; a performance of Elvis Presley songs by Michael Jordan at 9:10; five-mile run awards (presented by Miss AUSA); a performance by the Infantry Band at 10; a performance by the Academy of Fine Arts (Patty Taylor Dancers) at 11; a performance by the Officers Wives' Club performers (Youth Singing Group) at 11:15; and ekiden and youth awards ceremonies (presented by Miss AUSA and J.K. the Kangaroo, respectively).

Hooter Girls will be there to root the unit runners on. J.K. (Just Kidding) will hand out goody bags to the first 50 children at the finish line. McGruff the Crime Dog will also be on hand.

For registration information on the Festival of Running, call 687-3537.

'Soup to Nuts' helping symphony group

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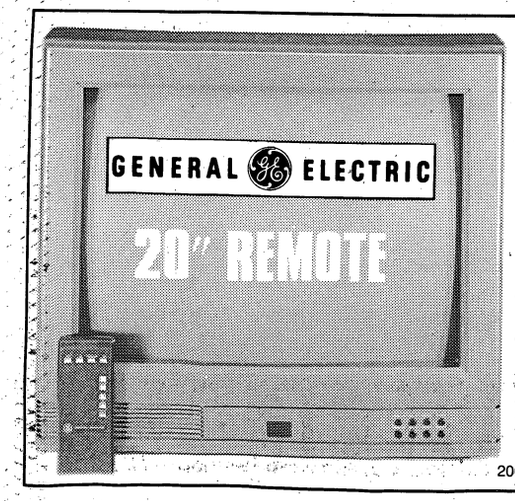

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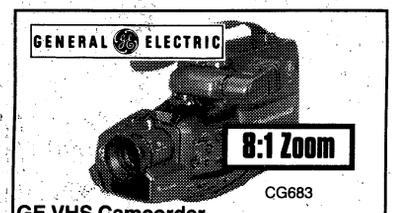

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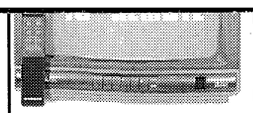

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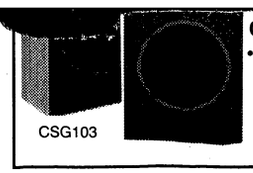

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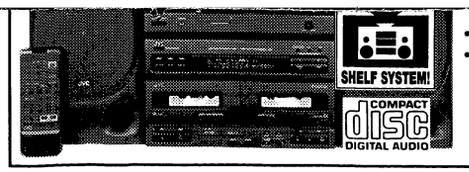

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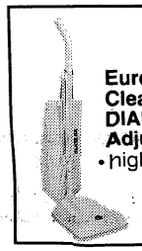

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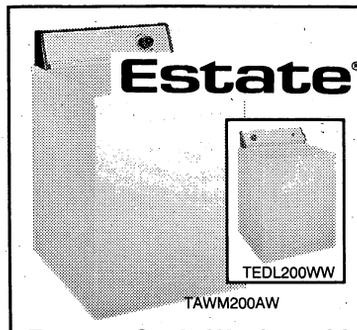

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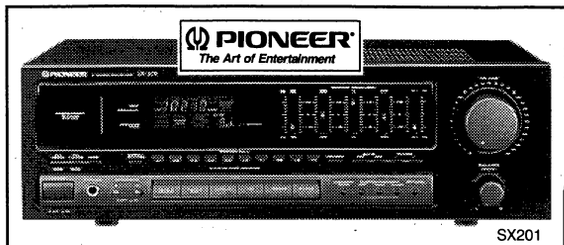

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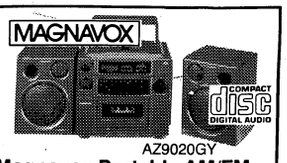

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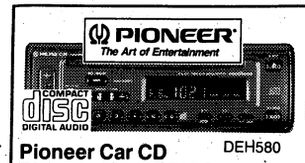

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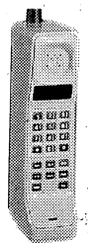

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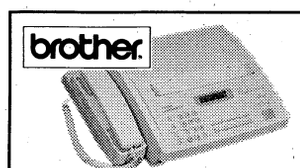

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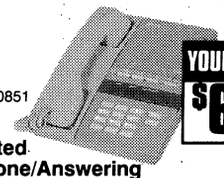

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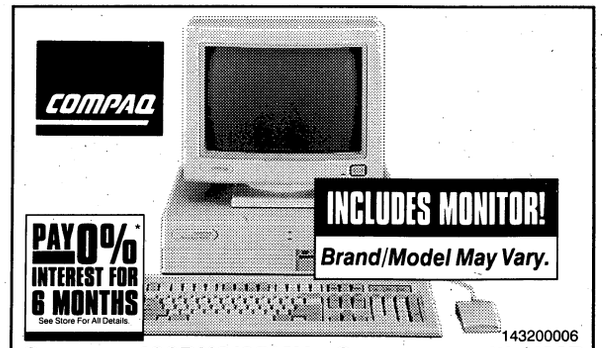

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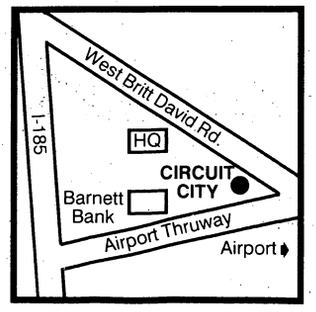

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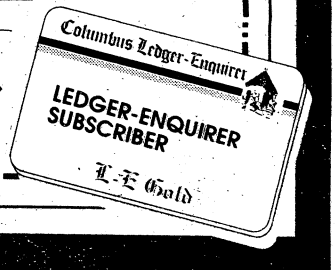
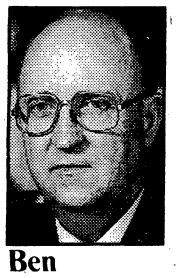


COMMENTARY

Military Appreciation Week approaching

The planning for Military Appreciation Week is in high gear with enthusiastic cooperation received from a large number of organizations, business and individuals in the Tri-Community. Sponsored by the Chattahoochee Valley-Fort Benning Chapter of the Association of the United States Army, the Columbus Chamber of Commerce, the Phenix City-Russell County Chamber of Commerce and many corporate sponsors, the week of May 10-15 offers a great opportunity for this region to demonstrate their support for those who currently serve and have served in our Armed Forces — active duty personnel and their families, Reserve Component and National Guard members, retirees, ROTC cadets, veterans, and Department of the Army Civilians.



Ben Register

The week of celebration will culminate with an outstanding Armed Forces Day Open House and picnic on Saturday, May 15, at York Field and areas in the vicinity of Olive Field. This is a family event and activities for all ages are available in addition to some fine food and entertainment.

Under the theme "Sharing Their Pride . . . We Salute The Soldier," the local business and civic community is bringing the celebration to the Columbus and Phenix City communities during the week. The Tri-Community has a reputation and a strong tradition for support of the military. Fort Benning has become such an important and integral part of this community that we should all join in and make this week a true expression of community and individual appreciation for those who serve and for Fort Benning as a part of the Tri-Community. You may ask, "What can I do to show my appreciation?" Below are some suggested ways to show your support.

Business, Merchants, Professionals

Recognition of all employees in your business who are military retirees, members of the Reserve Components and National Guard, ROTC students, veterans of military service, Department of the Army Civilian retirees, and/or family members of those who serve in these organizations during the week of May 10-15.

Inform your employees of the planned Military Appreciation Week through announcements and your organization's newsletter.

Encourage your employees, their families and their friends to attend Armed Forces Day at Fort Benning on May 15.

Fly the United States flag at your business and home during Military Appreciation Week and encourage your employees to fly the United States flag at their home, also.

Develop and promote through your advertising media, a Military Appreciation Sale/Promotion during the week of May 10-15 with incentives or discounts for military patronage.

Display the Military Appreciation Week poster prominently at your place of business. These posters may be obtained from the Chamber of Commerce Office. Other forms of advertising such as sign board and window advertising will show your support for our military.

During Military Appreciation Week there is a planned program of competitive events for which business sponsors are needed. A complete list of events is available in the Chambers of Commerce Office. The event will bear the name of the business sponsor and the sponsor will have the opportunity to make the presentation of awards at the Armed Forces Day picnic at Fort Benning on May 15 during the awards ceremony.

For the first time at the Armed Forces Day picnic, the business community will have the opportunity to be an exhibitor and display their goods and services. This is an excellent business opportunity. Please express your interest to the Chamber of Commerce so that coordination can be made with the responsible office at Fort Benning to provide you additional information on this program.

Civic Clubs and Community Organizations

Recognition of all members of your organization who are active duty military, members of the Reserve Components and National Guard, ROTC, military retirees, veterans of military service, Department of the Army Civilian employees, and/or family members of those who serve in these organizations during your membership meeting the week of May 10-15.

Inform your membership of the planned Military Appreciation Week through meeting announcements and your organization's newsletter.

Encourage your members to invite a representative of those that we honor to be a guest at your membership meeting during the week of May 10-15.

Encourage your business members to participate through their business in Military Appreciation Week.

Encourage your members, their families, and their employees to attend Armed Forces Day at Fort Benning on May 15.

Encourage your members to fly the United States flag at their businesses and homes during Military Week.

Future columns will contain details of events scheduled during Military Appreciation Week.

Calendar of Events

- April 13 — Executive Committee Meeting, Room 642, Infantry Hall.
- May 10 — Military Appreciation Week.
- May 19 — Board of Directors Meeting.
- June 17 — Meeting.

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U.S. tourists flocking back to Europe

Stronger dollar is primary reason

By Jay Clarke
Knight-Ridder Newspapers

Once again, Europe is coming up roses.

After a slump in visits in 1991 as a result of the Gulf War, followed by a slump in the dollar's worth in 1992, tourism to Europe is on a roll.

"The year has started very, very strong. I wouldn't be a bit surprised if this was a record year for Americans to visit Europe, maybe even the year of the century," said Michel Bouquier, chairman of the European Travel Commission and director of the French Government Tourist Office in New York.

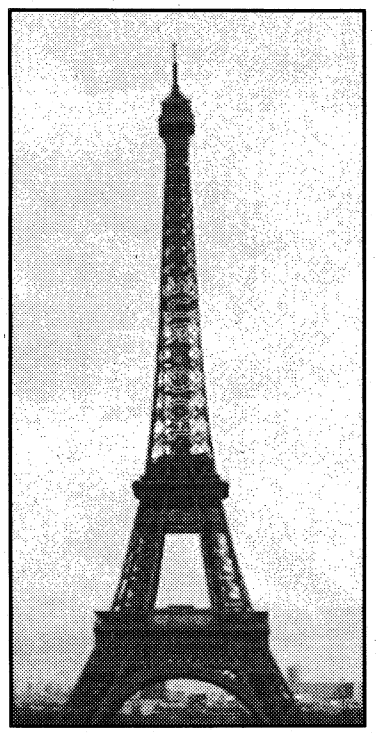
U.S. citizen departures hit a record 7,529,000 in 1990, dropped to 6,290,000 in 1991 and rebounded in 1992 to an estimated 7,000,000. A main reason for the expected increase in American tourists, Bouquier said, is that the United States dollar is a lot stronger this year. The dollar is worth 15 to 50 percent more today against European currencies than it was last summer, he said, "and every day, it gets stronger."

At the end of August, it took $1.98 to buy one British pound. Six months later, at the end of February, the exchange rate was $1.45. Similarly, the dollar bought 92.3 Spanish pesetas last August; on Feb. 28 it garnered 118.47. Italy, which last year was one of Europe's most expensive countries for Americans, has become much more affordable since its lira went from 1,073 to the dollar to 1,566 in this same six-month period.

Also helping to fuel trans-Atlantic tourism are low air fares.

Travelers can fly from Miami to London this summer for as little as $668 round-trip if they book before March 31. Even after that date, fare increases may be quite modest. A midweek summer flight on Delta Airlines from Miami to Paris, for example, costs $768 round-trip if booked before the end of this month; after that date, it rises only $50. (However, the Miami-Rome weekday fare will go from $868 to $1,048.) Finnair will fly Miamians to Stockholm, Oslo or Copenhagen for $788 round-trip if they book by March 31.

Early booking also can cut the cost of car rentals. Kemwel, for example, is offering travelers who book and pay in full by April 15 a one-week rental of a subcompact with unlimited mileage for $99 in Britain or Germany. The price does not include value-added tax.



From London to Spain to the Eiffel Tower (above) in Paris, tourism from the U.S. is making a strong comeback.

Even the stately Queen Elizabeth 2 is getting into the act, offering a one-way Atlantic crossing with return by air for as little as $1,295 (standby fare, confirmed 21 days in advance).

Once abroad, travel within Europe may be smoother this summer. This is the year the 12-nation European Community was to drop immigration controls. It hasn't happened yet, because what looked simple isn't. But nine countries are expected to open their borders some time this summer, which means that travelers between those countries won't have to show their passports any longer. Customs barriers already have been dropped by the EEC, but oddly, duty-free shops will continue to operate until 1999, and limits remain on duty-free sales to passengers traveling within the European Community. However, for destinations outside the community, there is no duty-free limit, except, of course, that air passengers must conform to customs regulations at their destination.

In the wake of the stronger dollars, several tour operators and hotels have reduced prices or introduced guaranteed dollar rates.

"Many hotels in London are offering deals," said Bedford Pace of the British Tourism Authority. "In the luxury market, the Capital Hotel, usually over $200 a night, is charging $175 single or double between July 12 and Aug. 30. And that includes full English breakfast."

Another attractive hotel plan is Flexotel, which this year has expanded its hotel voucher program to more than 1,000 hotels in 18 countries. Its Best Western vouchers, good in 850 hotels, begin at $75 per night for a double, including taxes, service charges and continental breakfast. Information: (800) TGV-RAIL.

Frames Rickards, a British tour operator, has reduced its 1993/94 brochure prices by 12.5 percent. John Martinen, president of Globus/Gateway, one of the biggest tour operators to Europe, says he is pleased with bookings thus far. "We fixed our prices last fall after the dollar started going up," he said. Packages, too, can save travelers a bundle. Travel Bound and Virgin Atlantic Airways, for example, offer a one-week "Royal Londoner" program for $689 that includes round-trip air fare from Miami to London and six nights hotel accommodations with breakfast. Information: (800) 456-8656.

No monster events like last year's Olympics and world's fair are on Europe's 1993 calendar, but there's no lack of special events this year.

In Spain, 1993 is a holy year for Santiago de Compostela, the Galician city that was the site of ancient pilgrimages. Special events will be staged not only in Santiago, but all through the pilgrimage route across the north of Spain.

In France, meanwhile, the famous Louvre Museum will mark its 200th anniversary with the opening of a major exhibition, The Louvre According to the Masters, on April 23. It will run through July 26.

Antwerp, the home of Peter Paul Rubens and other Flemish masters, has been named Europe's 1993 Cultural Capital, which means this Belgian city will offer a feast of exhibitions and performances in all branches of the arts this year.

Copenhagen's wonderful amusement park, Tivoli Gardens, opens its 150th season April 22 with new attractions, including a Hans Christian Andersen ride, a new museum and restaurants. Norway will celebrate the 150th anniversary of the birth of composer Edvard Grieg, while Potsdam and Munster in Germany will mark their 1,000th birthdays.

Survey reveals why Americans go to Europe

Knight-Ridder News Service

Why do Americans travel to Europe?

Mostly to see historical places, according to a survey of 2,000 Americans conducted last fall by the European Travel Commission.

Seventy percent of those surveyed listed that reason as the key appeal. Security last fall was not a major concern, but cost most definitely was.

Sixty-six percent of those surveyed put cost as their most important concern about travel to Europe. Time was the second limiting factor, cited by 51 percent. No other factor scored higher than 24 percent.

Worrying most potential travelers to Europe last year was the cost of hotels; 79 percent rated that as their top concern, followed by air fares (65 percent) and meal costs (57 percent).

Not surprisingly, the most attractive quality in selecting a destination country was affordable prices (74 percent). *Most important* attractions were "interesting cities" (77 percent), beautiful countryside (74 percent) and historical places (69 percent).

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Air travelers eligible for discounts

Settlement approved in price-rigging case

By Delane Chappell
Staff Writer

Millions of air travelers, including those using Columbus Metropolitan Airport, will be eligible for discount coupons under the $458 million settlement of a lawsuit that accused the nation's biggest airlines of collusion in setting ticket prices.

Settlement of the three-year-old case came Monday in Atlanta when U.S. District Judge Marvin H. Shoob gave his approval.

The settlement covers an estimated 12 million people who flew on Delta, United, American, USAir, Pan Am, Continental and Midway. Northwest and Trans World Airlines settled in 1991.

Anyone who bought tickets on any of the nine airlines between Jan. 1, 1988, and June 30, 1992, is eligible. Some will receive cash vouchers but most will receive coupons good for discounts of up to 10 percent on future ticket purchases.

The coupons, expected to be distributed by mid-1994, will be interchangeable among airlines, regardless of which carrier was originally used.

Local companies have already been scrambling to find records that go back to 1988. Employees at Columbus-based Swift Textiles Inc. had started burrowing through company receipts several months ago when a clever employee suggested they contact American Express for a printout, said Herb Mueller, corporate controller at Swift.

Since employees use American Express cards for business travel and American Express keeps detailed records, they were in luck.

Likewise, AFLAC Inc. was fortunate to have its information computerized and easily accessible even though it took two weeks to retrieve and sort it, said David Nelson, manager of corporate travel.

The individual traveler or the company that doesn't keep detailed ledgers may find it more difficult to locate records, local travel agents said.

Mueller estimates that Swift may get $10,000 in discounts if his estimate of 500 flights with a $20 discount per flight holds true.

Some confusion stems from the fact that no one knows how many claimants will come forward to cash in on the $408 million discount coupon pool. "If twice as many people file claims, we could get half as much as we anticipate," Mueller said.

To file a claim, the traveler must request an application form from Airlines Antitrust Litigation.

After the form has been returned, the traveler will receive a certificate issued by one of the airlines that entitles him to a discount. Deadline for application is June 1.

Those filing claims need only to state which flights they bought tickets for. They are not required to provide documentation of their ticket purchases. There will be spot audits, however, in which claimants will be asked to present "reasonable back-up."

Airlines and travel agents will be little or no help to travelers in obtaining their discount coupons. "We aren't involved in the procedure," said Jerry Bentley, district marketing manager for Delta in Columbus. Since the ruling was just issued Monday, details on how the airline will handle the discounts have not been worked out, he said.

Travel agents, who estimated that up to 10 percent of the Columbus population may be eligible for the discount coupons, are prohibited from handling claims. But some are helping businesses and individuals with documentation.

Ronald Allen, chief executive officer of Delta Airlines, said that "rather than go through a protracted court case, we felt it better for the airlines and the traveling public to settle this early on."

The airlines denied any wrongdoing and said they settled to avoid a long and expensive trial. "Continued litigation would result in the largest antitrust trial in history at great expense and drain on judicial resources," Judge Shoob said in approving the settlement largely as it was presented to him last summer.

At the same time, Shoob said the fliers who sued had little chance of winning. And even if they did win, it was questionable whether they could have collected anything from the airlines, some of which are in shaky condition and would have been forced into bankruptcy, the judge said.

Airline Tariff Publishing Co., a computerized clearinghouse for air fares, is also part of the settlement. Travelers who filed the class-action lawsuit accused the airlines of using ATP to alert competitors of their plans to raise fares.

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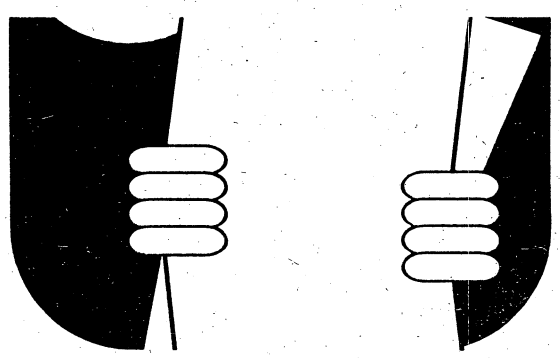

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The Columbus Ledger-Enquirer is proud to offer the **FREE COLUMN** as a valuable service to our customers. In addition to placing your **FREE COLUMN** ad, we recommend that you contact The Muscogee Co. or Russell Co. Humane Societies for important safety precautions you may wish to consider when finding a home for your pet. To find out more about what you can do to protect your animal, call your local Humane Society at 298-0080 (Russell Co.) or 563-3647 (Muscogee Co.)

BARGAIN COLUMN 099

FREE COLUMN ANIMALS 130

Black Lab, 1 yr. old, male, neutured, all shots. 682-3088 after 6pm

To Advertise In The Ledger-Enquirer Classified Call 322-4500

200 EMPLOYMENT

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Below you will find a listing of common employment abbreviations which you may find in our classified advertisements. We hope this will help your decision-making process.
office - ofc.
home - hm.
work - wk.
part time - P/T
full time - F/T
experience - exp.
technician - tech.
commercial driver's license - CDL

BARGAIN COLUMN 099

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over-the-road - OTR
service - svc.
assistant - asst.
system - sys.
references - ref.
required - req.
words per minute - wpm
secretary - sec'y
weekends - wkends
section - sec.
superintendent - super
Monday-Friday - M-F
Male/Female - M/F

JOB LISTINGS/ DIRECTORIES 215

★ POSTAL JOBS ★
Postal service to accept applications from Vets and soon to be discharged Vets.

- $23,700 per yr
- Veteran preference
- Full benefits
- No layoffs

For an application and exam information, call 219-736-4715, ext. M-280, 9am to 9pm, 7 days.

US Postal & Gov't jobs. $23/hr. Now hiring. For appl/details PC, 291-5802.

HELP WANTED GENERAL 216

Cashier/Secretary

Needed by World Finance. Must type 35 correct WPM, 20 to 25 hrs per week, Consumer Finance exp. helpful but not necessary. For appt. call Cliff Lewis at 323-6639

BARGAIN COLUMN 099

HELP WANTED GENERAL 216

AVON No door-to-door sales necessary! Local 563-5005; other areas 1-800-338-5870

A BETTER JOB...
... is available to people who can read. If you know someone whose job potential is limited because he can't read, tell him that reading help is free, confidential and available. The Columbus number to call is 404-682-2662; elsewhere, call 1-800-228-8813.

GIRLS WANTED

from GA and Alabama between 7-19 to compete in this years 5th Annual 1993 Atlanta Pageants. Over $20,000 in prizes & scholarships. Call today. 1-800-Pageant, ext 4311 (1-800-724-3268)

KURTH INDUSTRIES

Now accepting applications for positions in the Production Department. 1st and 2nd shift available. Apply in person, Mon. & Tues. from 9am - 12:00 noon.
Kurth Industries
1210 Noland Dr
No Phone Calls Please
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LIFESAVERS TRAINING CENTER

TRAINING FOR ENTRY LEVEL POSITIONS IN THE HEALTHCARE FIELD AVAILABLE NOW.
- Low tuition- pymt plans.
- Job placement assistance

Classes forming now. Call today, 322-0159

BARGAIN COLUMN 099

HELP WANTED GENERAL 216

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WHAT RECESSION?!

We have an opportunity for you to make extra money as an independent contractor for the Ledger-Enquirer. The hours to deliver are flexible on either Tuesdays or Thursdays in the bi-city area and would be perfect for homemakers and retirees. All you need is reliable transportation, a valid driver's license and proof of car insurance.

If you love the freedom you already have and would like to make some money on a part-time basis, please be present at the following location to find out more about L-E EXPRESS and what it can offer you.

DATE:
Monday, March 29, 1993

PLACE:
Ledger-Enquirer Office
3902 Cody Road
Columbus, Georgia
(706) 563-7241

★ **2:00PM ONLY** ★

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BARGAIN COLUMN 099

HELP WANTED GENERAL 216

★ Hiring Models ★

Up to $400 per wk
Call before 2:30pm
Phone: 568-9673

Home Assembly: To $600/wk. Crafts-Sewing-Toys-Wood, etc. 24hr: 404-250-7585.

PRE-SCHOOL TEACHER and Teacher's Assistant needed for local pre-school & kindergarten. Previous experience req'd. Send resume to: Box 297 c/o Ledger Enquirer, P. O. Box 711, Columbus, GA. 31902-0711.

HELP WANTED PART-TIME 218

**** AVON **** Needs Reps in your area! Training/Support. Call 1-800-329-AVON.

Studio Express/CPI

Seeks part-time photographer. Previos exp. not required, willing to train indivvdual with friendly, outgoing personality. **Serious inquiries need only apply.** Apply Mon-Fri, 10am-5pm at Peacchtree Mall location.

PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT 224

FINANCIAL ANALYST

Needed for local banking institution. Prefer recent college business graduate. Will train right person. Salary $27,900 plus full benefits. 407-644-9977.

BARGAIN COLUMN 099

THE BENNING LEADER "FREE FIFTY" COUPON

Free **CLASSIFIED ADS FOR ITEMS UNDER $50.00**

The Benning Leader is now offering free classified ads for items totaling less than $50.00 in value. Ads will run 3 lines for one week and only ads on this original coupon form can be accepted. This coupon will run every week in The Benning Leader.

PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING GUIDELINES CAREFULLY BEFORE PLACING YOUR AD: • Ads received by noon on Tuesday will run in the following edition. Ads received after noon on Tuesday will run the next available edition. • Only non-commercial want-ads can be accepted. Please don't list animals, plants, firewood, services or homemade crafts. • Please include a daytime phone number along with your home phone number, name and home address in case we have a question about your ad.

Please include your:

Name_____

Address_____

City_____ **State**_____ **Zip**_____

Home Phone_____ **Daytime Phone**_____

Mail to:
The Benning Leader
Free Fifty Ads
c/o Classified Advertising Dept.
P.O. Box 711
Columbus, GA 31994

PRINT YOUR MESSAGE HERE-ONE LETTER OR SPACE PER BLOCK

Approximately
1 line
2 lines
3 lines

Please leave A Blank Space Between All Words And Prices. Please include your phone number.

LOOK FOR THESE BARGAINS IN OUR BARGAIN COLUMN (Classification 099)

THE BENNING LEADER "FREE FIFTY" COUPON

SALES 226

SALES

Take Advantage Of A Protected Territory

If you have a minimum of two years security systems sales experience in residential or commercial, you'll find it really pays to take over one of our protected territories. Your first year earnings could be $50K or more in salary, commission, and bonuses.

The position will be based out of our Columbus branch and will include the Macon and Augusta territory. Travel with overnight stay will be required. The ideal candidate must be a well organized and disciplined individual with good time management skills with the ability of working unsupervised. A background in commercial systems, i.e. CCTV, card access, fire code would be helpful but not required.

As you might expect from an industry leader, we offer a generous and comprehensive benefits package including auto allowance, medical insurance, LTD, and 401k. Send your resume to Rollins Protective Services, ATTN: James R. Steining, 2099 Monroe Drive, Atlanta, Georgia 30324. We are an equal opportunity employer.

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ROLLINS PROTECTIVE SERVICES

Ledger-Enquirer Classified Ads Call 322-4500

MEDICAL DENTAL 220

THE BEST CARE THE BEST CAREER

REGISTERED NURSES

Discover The Benefits of VA Nursing

- Competitive Salary
- 13 Sick Leave Days (Immediate Accrual)
- 26 Vacation Days (Immediate Accrual)
- 15 Military Days
- Uniform Allowance
- 25% Weekend Differential
- 10% Evening and Night Differential
- Double Time for Holidays
- License from Any State Acceptable
- Mobility - Nationwide System for Transfer
- Health Insurance
- Retirement
- Thrift Savings Plan (401K)
- 100% Tuition Assistance for Nursing Programs

If you are a Registered Nurse who would like to reap the benefits of a VA Nursing Career, contact:

Personnel Service (05J) or Linda Butler, RNC, Nurse Recruiter
(205) 727-0550 Ext. 3600 or 4305
Tuskegee VA Medical Center
2400 Hospital Road
Tuskegee, AL 36083
An Equal Opportunity Employer

SALES 226

Public Relations

CTA Now Staffing PR Positions

For our 2pm-10pm shift. Good phone voice, a smiling attitude required. Good salary, plus bonuses. Call William Miller, 322-0082, Mon.-Fri. 10am-5pm.

Columbus Ledger-Enquirer
WEATHERLINE
TIME & WEATHER
24 HOURS A DAY
298-0000

DRIVERS 227

OTR DRIVERS NEEDED

To drive Southeastern states. Must have 2 yrs. OTR exp. & good driving record. Blue Cross/Blue Shield insurance & competitive pay. Contact **Debbie Butler, Recruiter R & L TRUCKING Co. 1-800-445-0605**

CHILD CARE WANTED 229

CHILD CARE for 1 yr old, part-time position could turn into full-time. Must live near by and have references. Call 569-7932

Live-In Nanny Needed Free room & board + salary. Must have references. Call b# 324-8131

MEDICAL DENTAL 220

JOB WANTED 230

NOTICE

It is now a requirement of the State of Alabama that all persons wishing to care for unrelated children have a license. If you have questions concerning this regulation, please call the Russell County Department of Human Resources. (205)298-7882.

NOTICE

The Family Home Daycare Division of the Georgia Department of Human Resources advises that Family Home daycare for 1-6 children can only be registered, not licensed. For 7 or more children, the Family Home daycare status changes to Group Home daycare and licensing is required. If this is an area that is of interest to you when trying to determine daycare facilities for your child, you may call 1-404-894-5688 to inquire further about Georgia regulations.

BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIY 410

BEST ONE PERSON

Business ever. $5900 secured with inventory can make you independent. No selling, no over-head. $50,000 + 1st year. For more infor. call

1-800-638-1342

HERSHEY CANDY BUSINESS. Minimum investment $5K. $2500+ per month income estimated. Quick return on investment. 1-800-967-3759.

OVERDUE BILLS? Cut your monthly payments up to 50%! **1-800-226-0190.**

VENDINGS●Hot New Venture●Poss. $950 Wkly●Invest. Req●800-330-9995.

VENDING ROUTE For Sale Collect $100-$200 cash daily. No selling. **1-800-723-7800**

MORTGAGES 413

ATTENTION Home Owners. Earn cash from your present mortgage. 1st, 2nd and debt consolidation loans. Equivalent fixed rate at 6.75% at 30 yr term. Good or slow credit ok. Mortgage Reduction Center, ask for Tom 404-841-9205.

MONEY TO LEND 414

FAST Help on bills! Debt consolidation. $1K-$100K. 98% accepted. No credit check. Military ok. 1-800-945-9581

High-risk lenders will fund any worthwhile project! Consolidate debts, start a new business, Military personnel welcome. Call weekdays for immediate help: 800-348-8460.

500 REAL ESTATE RENTALS

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Below you will find a listing of common rental abbreviations which you may find in our classified advertisements. We hope this will help your decision-making process.

bedroom - BR
bathroom - BA
dining room - DR
living room - LR
greatroom - GR
fireplace - FP
central heat/air-cent. h/a
washer/dryer - w/d
connections-w/d conn.
refrigerator - fridge
available - avail.
north - N.
south - S.
Columbus - Cols.
Phenix City- P.C.
acres - ac.
minutes - min.
apartment - apt.
month - mo.
subdivision - S/D
large - lg.
double - dbl.
years - yrs.
utilities - util.
highway - hwy
condominium - condo
appliances - appl.
payments - pymts.
furnished - furn.
unfurnished - unf.
references - ref.
required - req.

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ROOMS 512

NORTH FURNISHED ROOM w/kitchen privileges, cent. heat/air. 323-9694.

TOWNHOUSES & CONDOS 517

SPRING RATES April-May, Panama City, FL. Beach & poolside, sleeps 4. 298-0009

FURNISHED APTS. GA 518

Clean 1BR Furnished Apt
Kitchen, bath, parking. $250 + utilities. Military welcome, 5 minutes to Post. 685-2219

UNFURNISHED APTS. GA 520

CAMELLIA APARTMENTS
689-0370

EXPERIENCE RESORT LIVING ALL YEAR LONG
You've heard about us, now come see for yourself!! Celebrate Spring and hurry to

WHISPERWOOD
For $100 Off First Month's Rent
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563-0001

Woodcliff Open House
SAT & SUN. 1PM-5PM
229 N. Oakley Dr. Call Marie at 687-9734 for more info.

1 & 2BR APTS. AVAIL.
Call 571-8722

4201 ROSEMONT DR
2BR, $285mo + dep.
Call 327-3178

GREAT DEALS!!
2BR Luxury w/all the extras Just 2 minutes to Post.
Call Lisa or Gisela:
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Peaceful Surroundings
and beautiful landscaping are yours at Carriage Hill Apts. 1,2 & 3BR Apt. homes starting at $340. Some W/D conn., fireplaces & storage spaces available. Open Sat 10-4 & Sun 2-5. Call **297-6426** and live the lifestyle of **Woodruff Property Mgmt.**

TRAFFIC GARDENS
1600 Ft. Benning Road
1 & 2 BR, plus townhouses. $215 to $245. Remodeled, new carpet, cable tv., burglar doors, 689-1425.

UNFURNISHED APTS. AL 521

BIG DEAL!
That's Exactly What You'll Get At Brookwood Park With Our 3 Bedroom, 2 Full Baths For Only...

$422

Isn't It Time You Loved Where You Live?

BROOKWOOD PARK
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298-3366
Flournoy Properties
Equal Housing Opportunity

NICE 2BR, 1½BA, Smith Station school area, $295mo + dep. Call 297-5947

UNFURNISHED HOUSES GA 526

KIRKWOOD: N. COLUMBUS Available 4/1. 3BR, 2BA, LR, DR, den, eat-in kitchen, dbl. garage, pool. Extra nice. $800mo. No pets. Call collect 205-749-2035

UNFURNISHED HOUSES GA 526

COLLEGE AREA: 2BR, 1BA, $415mo, dep. required. Call 561-1345 before 10:00 p.m.

North Columbus. 4BR, 2BA, large fenced yard. Call 569-8334 after 3:30pm.

NORTH 3BR Lg fenced yard, central H/A, $490 mo. + $400 dep. 3631 Gammel Dr. Call 569-0544

UNFURNISHED HOUSES AL 527

NORTH PHENIX CITY. 2BR, fenced yard, private drive, w/d conn., stove & fridge furnished. Lease. 298-0805

600 REAL ESTATE SALES

REAL ESTATE SERVICES 601

To hear about properties across the U.S.A. call 1-800-944-**SALE.** Property Network One

TOWNHOUSES & CONDOS 612

GREEN ISLAND HILLS CONDO. By owner. 2BR, 2 full BA, pool, fp, Florida rm, deck, etc, etc. $76K/offer. 323-6264 or 571-0357 (Tim)

HOMES FOR SALE AL 614

BY OWNER, N. Phenix City Sherwood Dist., 3BR, 2BA, GR, FP, aprox. 1 ac. lot, & extras. Call 297-0072

FOR SALE!

Rosenstihl-Reid Home
Union Springs, AL
FOR INFORMATION
205-687-2730

MEDICAL DENTAL 220

MEDICAL DENTAL 220

MEDICAL DENTAL 220

Registered Nurses

SIGN ON BONUS plus

VACATION PACKAGE

(Offer expires 4/30/93)

(June graduates are eligible)

3 to 11 and 11 to 7
Medical-Surgical
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Critical Care (M-F)
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(Critical Care/Telemetry classes now available)

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HOMES FOR SALE GA 616

WANT TO BUY BUT DON'T KNOW IF YOU QUALIFY?
I can help you purchase the home of your choice.
Call Charles Cornett, Jefferson Brothers, Inc.
569-6688/324-4424

BRICK 3BR. Convenient to schools, Ft. Benning & shopping. $45,000. 291-9107

BY OWNER: Adams Park Dr., 3BR, 2BA, GR w/fp, fenced backyard, lg workshop. 1580sq.ft., $79,900. Shown by appt. 327-8612

By Owner, NORTH, 4BR, 2BA, GR, LR, DR, 1875 sq ft. heated, dbl. carport, lg. lot, $78,500. 569-0035

BY OWNER, North, 3BR, 1½BA, LR, DR, den, laundry room, cul-de-sac, $65,000. 569-9825.

By Owner:
Spacious Charmer! North, 2BR, 1BA brick home, cent. h/a, oversized sunken LR, sep. DR, kitc. w/bar, lg new laundry room, large deck. Seller will neg. closing costs at $58K. Call 324-6530

BY OWNER, 1 Owner Home 3BR, 1½BA, carport, double driveway, 2 storage bldgs., fenced, cent. h/a, newly remodeled kitchen w/new appl., carpeted, very clean. Nice neighborhood near Benning & schools. $55,000. Call 205-480-9666 to see by appt. (Local).

BY OWNER, 3BR, 2BA, in great condition. Large corner lot, double carport, Bridlewood S/D. 563-4888.

BY OWNER 3705 13th Ave. 3BR 1BA, low equity, non-qual. 576-4875 Owner/Agent

GOVERNMENT REPOS
6% fixed-rate!
No down payment

6102 CARIBOU DR
82,000 3-2.5 621 mo
3817 HAWAII WAY
66,900 3-2 506 mo
6626 MAVIS DR
58,500 3-2 445 mo
1305 SCHIMEK DR
58,150 3-1.5 442 mo
6322 GABLE AVE
57,000 3-1 434 mo
5504 OLD DOMINION
54,700 3-1.5 415 mo
5023 FOREST RD
54,500 3-1 414 mo
5237 STEAM MILL RD
46,000 3-1 352 mo
2879 GRANT RD
43,000 5-2 329 mo
2526 RICE ST
39,000 3-2 300 mo
5249 ETON DR
38,000 3-1 293 mo
2303 PYE AVE
34,000 2-1 264 mo

Your loan will be 6% APR 30-yrs. You only need a 100. refundable deposit with your application, plus 435. later for your share of closing costs! Deadline is April 6. Call me!

JIM TALLEY
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Heritage Homes
Weekend appointments OK!
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For complete program information, call the
REPO HOTLINE
24-hr recording
568-9741

LISTING YOUR HOME FOR SALE?
Let me show you how we market your property, then you decide who you want to sell your home.
Call Charles Cornett, Jefferson Brothers, Inc.
569-6688/324-4424

HOMES FOR SALE GA 616

NICE 3BR, 2BA home in Elaville, Ga., 15 mi. E. of Buena Vista. ¾ acre lot w/room for gardening, exc. retirement area. All modern amenities incl. new central air. 323-4545

NORTH - completely renovated, 2BR, 2BA home, LR, DR, cent. h/a, $54,900. Call 324-1714 or 291-7183

VA REPO HOTLINE
24-Hr Recording 568-9741
HERITAGE HOMES

$450 DOWN PAYMENT
NO CLOSING COST
OWNER FINANCING
3008 WALKER ST.
COLUMBUS, GA
Brick, 2BR, 1BA home for sale. Will finance $32,000 for 20 yrs. at 9.9% fixed rate interest and payments of $306.69. For more information please call 1-800-284-4258 days or 1-800-627-8510 nites/wknds.
Subject to credit approval.

LOTS FOR SALE 626

SOUTH HARRIS COUNTY
Spring Creek Subdv.
West Bon Acre Rd, lots and lake front lots available.
Owner, 322-4899

BACKWATER PROPERTY AL 629

LAKE HARDING
Deeded lot w/boathouse and all major improvements such as sea wall, patio, county water, lights. Perfect for building new house. Regularly 76,000! QUICK SALE will make price. Call day# 561-2555 or night# 561-3085

FARMS & ACREAGE 636

MARION COUNTY: 40 min. from Columbus. Poultry Breeder Farm in operation. Annual income $60,000, completely automated. Can finance up to 90%. Call W.C. Parks (912) 649-9848 after 6:00 pm

700 MOBILE HOMES

MOBILE HOMES FOR SALE 710

FLEETWOOD '84
3BR, 2BA, double wide, great room w/cathedral ceilings, separate DR. 569-7986

MOVING! Must Sell!
'86 Rivermist, 14x80, 3BR, 2BA, exc. cond. Call 205-687-8654

NEW DIMENSION '69 12 x 60, needs remodeling. $1200. Call 480-0858

'87 Peach State 14x70' 2BR, 2BA, cent. h/a, new doors, floors & storm windows, exc. cond. Call 596-9853

'93 Fleetwood 3BR, 2BA, 14x70, lots of extras! Equity neg. Assume pmts. of $192. for 10 years. Call 689-1947 after 3pm for more information.

MOBILE HOMES FOR RENT 714

'87s-'92's 14 wides 2&3BR, fenced, air, rent/own avail. $295-$395. 327-5551, 569-7185

HOMES FOR SALE GA 616

ATTENTION VETERANS
SAVE $50-$200 MONTH - VA REFI
- No Credit fee
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MOBILE HOMES FOR RENT 714

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A FREE RENT SPECIAL
Deposit Only Moves You In Today! Nice 1 & 2BR
Call Sherri or Denise:
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CUSSETA, GA. 2BR, 2BA, partly furn., $250mo. + $250dep. For appt. 687-6890

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1BR furnished w/cable
Call Gisela or Lisa
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TWO MONTHS FREE RENT! 1, 2 & 3BR avail. Close to Post, Cols. & P.C. Also lots avail. 855-3486, 9-8.

800 RECREATIONAL VEHICLES

BOATS 810

A 25HP MERCURY Outboard, electric start, console control, gas tank, excellent cond. $1000. Call 327-3388, leave message

Cabin Cruiser, 19', lots of extras, good cond. $3500/best offer. 327-4806, lv. msg.

GLASTRON, 16½ft V-haul, 80hp Evinrude, skis & life vest incl., $650. Call 568-4298

STRATOS 285 PRO '89, Evinrude XP 150, loaded, many extras, low hrs on engine, looks new, $9750. 576-6923

MOTOR HOMES FOR SALE 818

WINNEBAGO '86
18ft, sleeps 4, low mileage. Call 561-7329

CAMPERS & TRAILERS 820

UTILITY TRAILER
4 x 8. Like new.
$275. Call 563-6405

MOTORCYCLES FOR SALE 828

Archie's Harley-Davidson
New & used bikes, parts, & motor clothes. 324-4294

HONDA XR75 '78
Excellent cond.
Only $450.
Call 322-5338

AUTOS FOR SALE 930

MOTORCYCLES FOR SALE 828

HONDA NIGHTHAWK '84, 700cc, good condition, $975. Call 561-9797 evenings.

HONDA 360 '77, good cond., runs well, newly servc'd, $450. Call 685-2955

NIGHTHAWK 250 '91, good cond., low mileage, $1700. Call 297-6278 after 6:00 pm

SUZUKI RM 400 Dirt Bike, unnaturally powerful. $650. Call 323-6264

'83 YAMAHA VIRAGO 500 Must sell, $375 or best offer. 291-9710

900 TRANSPORTATION

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power steering - ps
power windows - pw
power brakes - pb
power door locks - pdl
automatic - auto
speed - sp
miles/mileage - mi
pickup truck - p/u
horsepower - hp
miles per gallon - mpg
air conditioner - air
convertible - conv.
door - dr
engine - eng.
excellent condition-exc cond
cassette - cass.
Chevrolet - Chevy
long bed - lb
short bed - sb
transmission - trans.
four wheel drive - 4wd
service records - svc. rec.
Volkswagen - VW
Continential - Cont.
Mercury - Merc.
original owner - orig. owner
high performance - hi-pro
conversion van - conv. van
aluminum - alum.
equipment - equip.
payments - pymts.
interior - int.
exterior - ext.
negotiable - neg.
cylinder - cyl.
extras - X-tras
dealer - dlr
front wheel drive - fwd
leave message - lv. msg.
factory warranty-fact. wrnty

TRUCKS 914

ONE OWNER
'92 Bravada 4x4. Leather, all wheel drive, factory warranty. **Call Hal Maloof, 322-8888, ext. 500**

Bill Heard Oldsmobile

CHEVROLET TRUCK '70, excellent condition, ps, pb, $3000. Call 297-1907.

CHEVY EL CAMINO '65 Good cond. V8, factory 4sp. Call 297-8948 or 327-9092

1946 CHEVY Pick-Up, original cond. $5,000 or best offer. 327-4806, lv. msg.

AUTOS FOR SALE 930

TRUCKS 914

DODGE LE 150 '90, 4x4, loaded, HD shocks, springs, $8700. Call 561-6454, 327-8384, or 298-8754.

Dodge Ram D-50 '86 4x4, 4spd, ps, AC, $2600/offer. Call 323-4798 or 323-2715

Ford Explorer '92 Eddie Bauer cayman green, loaded. $18,200. 561-2878

Ford Ranger XLT '89 5spd, tinted windows, bedliner, new tires, $6000. 327-9696

FORD RANGER 4X4 '83. 5sp, V6, chrome wheels. $1800. Call 327-8650

'86 Nissan Pathfinder, 4x4, a/c, runs out perfect. $6566. Randy only, 563-3510, dlr

OUTGROWN!
'89 Ford Bronco II 1 owner, 5spd. manual overdrive, 6 cyl., ps, pb, A/C, am/fm cass. Call 298-5890.

TOYOTA PICK-UP '84, runs good, flat bed attachment, $2300/offer. Call 327-1290

TOYOTA P/U '87, plain jane w/some extras, $2800. Call 323-0478.

TOYOTA VAN '85, auto, dual a/c, good cond., low mi., $2995. Call 563-9705- Dir.

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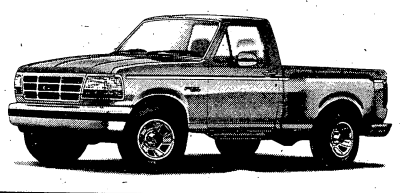

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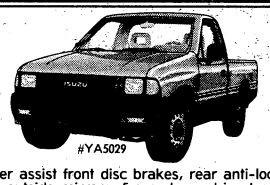

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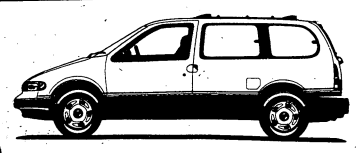

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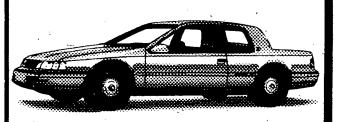

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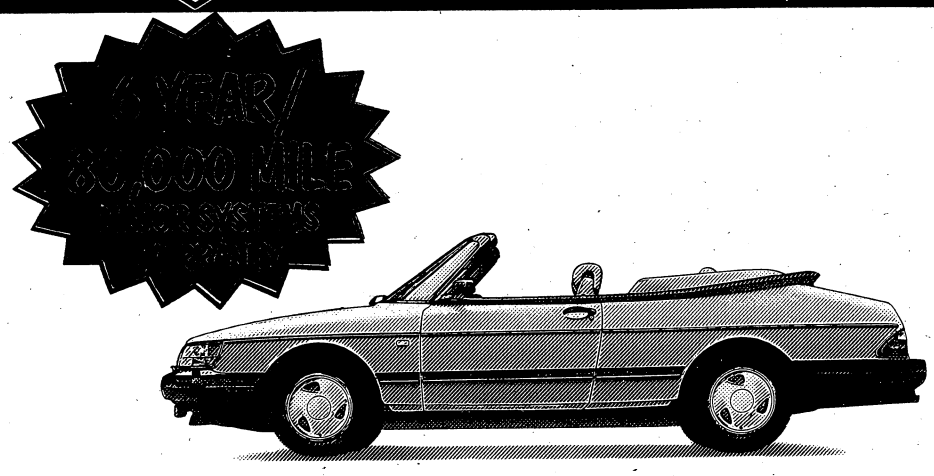

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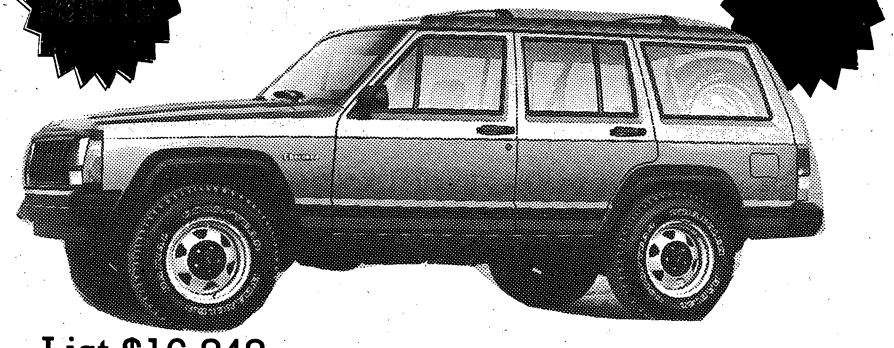

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Here, according to research by the Military History Division at Fort Benning, were the top news items of the week 50 years ago:

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In the Bering Sea, an American squadron, consisting of two cruisers and four destroyers, successfully intercepted a larger Japanese force, including four cruisers and five destroyers, near the Komandorski Islands. Each side sustained serious damage to one cruiser before the Japanese retreated, abandoning their mission of reaching the Aleutian Islands.

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Britain's Royal Air Force Bomber Command and the Eighth United States Army Air Force completed a month of around-the-clock missions, raiding various Axis-held industrial and military targets throughout Europe.

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Fort Benning hosted Gen. George C. Marshall and Field Marshal Sir John Dill, head of the British Joint Services Mission in Washington, who toured the post's combat training areas.

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Fort Benning recognized Sgt. Clabe Sherman, one of its former soldiers, who bravely led a detachment of 115 men in an effort to recapture the Kasserine Pass from the Germans in Tunisia, North Africa.

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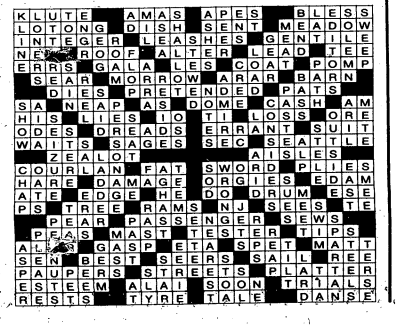

Services brace for hearings on gays

By Nolan Walters
Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON — Fort Benning officials had no official comment on Georgia Sen. Sam Nunn's announcement last week that the Senate Armed Services Committee will publicly address the emotionally explosive issue of whether gays and lesbians should be excluded from military service in hearings beginning Monday.

A Benning spokesman, citing the political nature of the hearings, said any comment now would be premature and inappropriate. "We just follow orders," the spokesman said.

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In Washington, repeating that his personal opposition to lifting the ban is "a matter of record," Nunn nevertheless pledged that the hearings will be "fair, thorough and objective."

Nunn, chairman of the Armed Services Committee, said he is hopeful the hearings won't become a media spectacle but that they will give a full airing to a policy question that causes strong feelings all around.

Maintaining a proper balance will be "a real problem," Nunn said. "I'm not sure that anybody can guarantee what will happen in hearings. You have people who come up and testify and it's up to them to what they say. And you can't, nor should you, control that."

Ultimately, Nunn said, the hearings may decide "whether people really will understand that the military is fundamentally different. I worried a long time ago about that. I think it's becoming much more a reality today than simply a matter of theory.

"I think there's more understanding in the public out there than was indicated earlier. ... There are literally millions of people in this country who've served in the military. They have an understanding of it."

The hearings, which could last into May, will have a three-part structure, although Nunn is not yet ready to detail specifics such as who will testify.

"I'm not going to announce who the witnesses are two weeks in advance. I'll announce them closer to the hearings. I just don't want to subject people to being pressured or harassed in any way," he said.

The first phase will examine the history and legal background of the ban, focusing on the "role of unit cohesion in the development of combat capability." Many critics of lifting the ban say that open homosexuality would seriously undermine the fighting ability of small combat units.

But Nunn said the opening sessions will be from a "detached viewpoint in terms of the history and legality. ... These will not be people arguing one side of the issue or another," he said.

The experiences of foreign military organizations with gays and lesbians also will be "closely reviewed," Nunn said. Advocates and opponents of lifting the ban have used contradictory reports of the experiences of foreign military organizations.

Secondly, groups both favoring and opposing a change in policy will testify, and the committee will conduct a series of field hearings at unnamed military bases to hear what Nunn called "a broad cross-section of military members on the issues."

Rep. Ron Dellums, D-Calif., the new chairman of the House Armed Services Committee, had scheduled hearings on the Pentagon's gay ban this month, but they were canceled after news reports that the only uniformed witness set to testify was Petty Officer Keith Meinhold, who is legally challenging the Navy's efforts to discharge him for homosexuality.

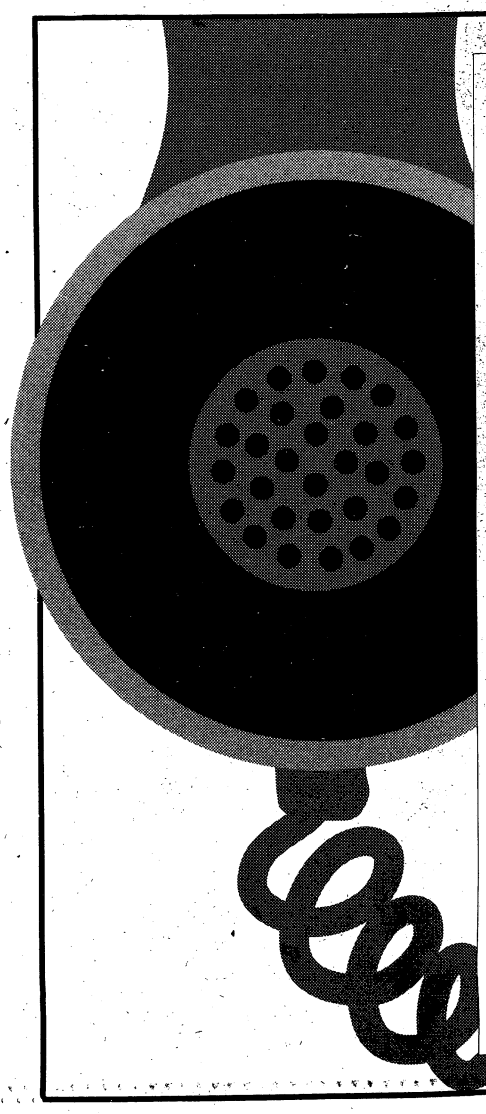
The places to be visited haven't been decided, Nunn said, and the military branches will be given a chance to make suggestions. "It's possible" that some Georgia base will be visited, he said.

On Feb. 14, the issue brought Sen. Paul Coverdell, R-Ga., Third District Rep. Mac Collins, R-Ga., and Sen. Phil Gramm, R-Texas, to Fort Benning on a fact-finding mission to get soldiers' opinions on admitting known gays into the military. No media access was given to the discussion, although it was characterized as being pro-ban. The hearings will end with testimony by senior military and civilian leaders of the Defense Department, who will report on their review of the gay ban as ordered by President Clinton.

"This is an important and emotional issue," Nunn said.

In Columbus, a Fort Benning spokesman said post officials would not comment.

Nunn said that last year he had promised liberal Democratic Sen. Howard Metzenbaum of Ohio that he would hold hearings on gays in the military, but the issue took on new force after the election of President Clinton, who promised during last year's campaign to drop the ban.



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