

MPs celebrate 10 years at range

White Sands Missile Range's 259th Military Police Company, known on intramural athletic fields as "The Pistols" and throughout the remainder of the sprawling range as "The Finest," will note its 10th missile range anniversary tomorrow.

Although the 259th can trace its lineage to July 15, 1942, when it was constituted into the U.S. Army, it was inactivated following World War II service in Europe.

At White Sands Missile Range, on March 15, 1965, the 259th was again activated and put on active duty at the nation's largest military reservation.

Since 1965, the 259th has built an enviable reputation throughout the range as a highly motivated and highly trained military police unit.

Under the direction of Captain Emerson L. Gorham and previous company commanders, the 259th places strong emphasis on training. Throughout the year the unit invites civilian instructors from other law enforcement agencies from throughout New Mexico and Texas to give classes ranging from traffic investigation, the implied consent law to mobile breath test training.

During off-duty hours the 259th military policemen have gained respect in the missile range intramural athletic leagues. During the past 10 years the "Pistols" have captured more than 30 championship and runnerup trophies and awards. The 259th softball team of the late 1960's was deemed one of the better teams fielded at the range.

In addition the 259th has strongly supported the range's annual Project Navajo when food and clothing is collected for

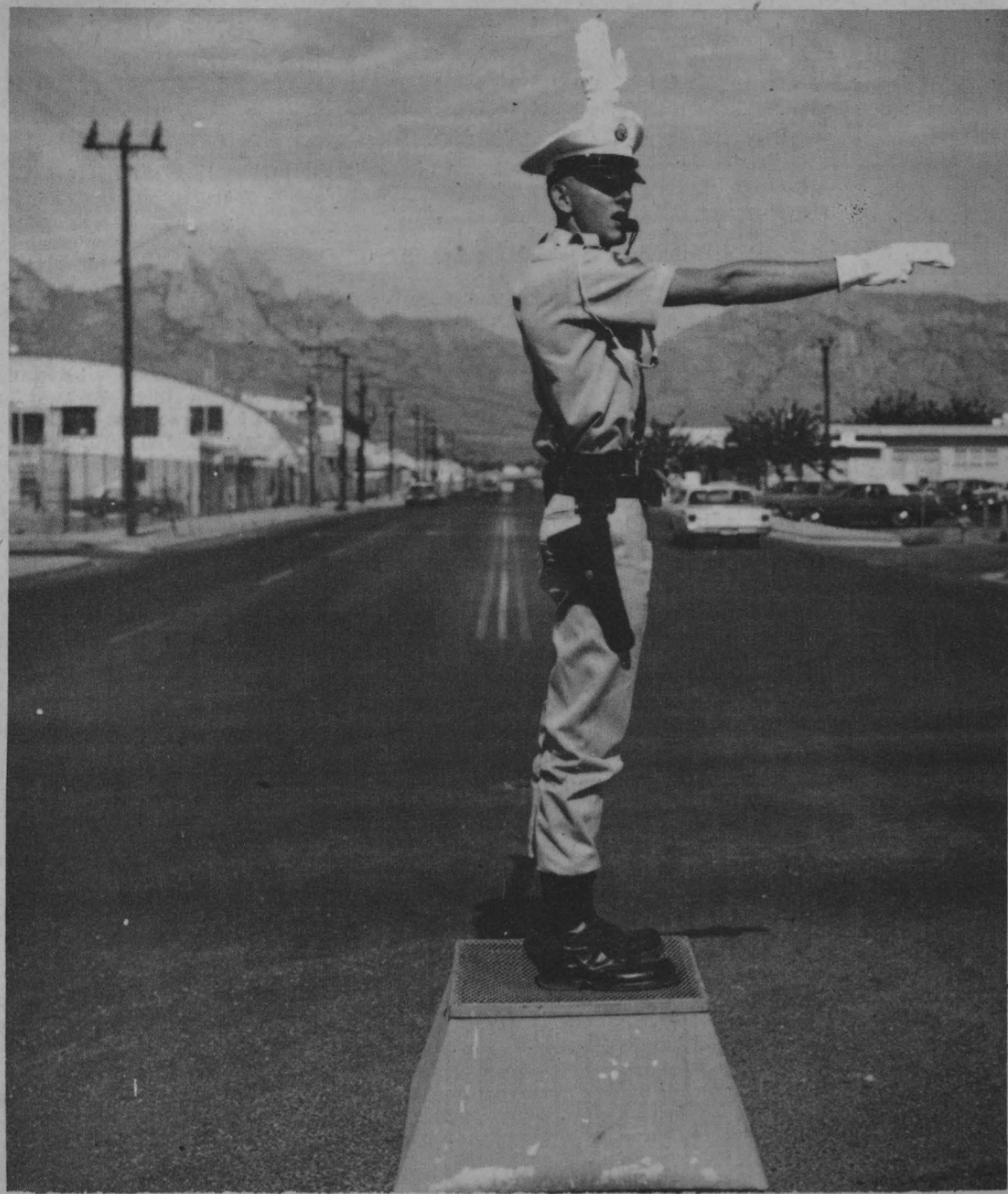
needy American Indians living on reservations near the Four Corners area of New Mexico, Colorado, Arizona and Utah. For the past two years the military policemen and women have each contributed more than two cans of food. A pickup truck load of serviceable clothing was also collected in 1974.

The unit also supports local Scout projects and hit the 100-per cent participation mark during the 1974 Combined Federal Campaign. The unit's excellent color guard took a major role in the first massing of colors ceremony during the Veteran's Armistice Day in Las Cruces and in the Bi-Centennial celebration. The guard also marches in El Paso and Las Cruces parades.

During 1974 the 259th added a number of firsts to its history book by having its first WAC assigned in January 1974. Hard on the heels of that first, the first married couple was assigned and the first WAC officer later joined the outfit. The unit also garnered six Soldier of the Month honors and four Soldier of the Quarter titles during fiscal year 1974 and early 1975.

Since its activation in 1942, the 259th has served at Camp Dawson, Va., San Augustine, Fla., Ft. Mason, Calif., Egypt, England and Germany. After returning to the United States following World War II, the unit was stationed in Louisiana, Texas and finally New Mexico.

An organizational Day picnic for all members of the 259th and their wives, husbands and children is set for 1 p.m. tomorrow (Saturday) at the range's scout camp. A full schedule of games and contests along with refreshments and food is planned for the afternoon.



White glove service

Responsible for law enforcement and physical security of the 4,000-square-mile expanse of White Sands Missile Range is the 259th Military Police Company. The unit will note its 10th year of service at the range tomorrow with a picnic and other organizational day activities. Here a member of the 259th directs traffic at the intersection of Headquarters and Aberdeen Avenues.

Romance in conservation's guise hits missile range

Like candlelight lunches? There may be more of them in your future.

White Sands Missile Range and other Army Materiel Command installations have been directed by higher headquarters to reduce their use of electrical power.

Installations have been instructed to remove lamps and lighting fixtures which are not essential and to apply non-uniform lighting standards to existing lighting systems.

During working hours overhead lighting will be reduced to no more than 50 footcandles at work stations, office desks, repair benches or

assembly areas where specific work is done. In work areas (areas which may or may not contain work stations, such as a large administrative office which contains filing or traffic areas) lighting will be reduced to 30 footcandles, and in non-working areas it will be set at 10 footcandles.

Off hour and exterior lighting except that necessary for safety and security, such as exit signs, will also be eliminated.

According to Joe Landis, WSMR utilities conservation officer, these AMC-set standards will be maintained in all

spaces except where more or less light is required to perform a specific task. Required exceptions must be approved by WSMR facilities, safety, security and medical personnel and submitted to AMC Installations and Services Agency for concurrence.

Beginning Monday a lighting survey will be made and lighting will be set to meet AMC specifications. Agencies requiring increased lighting must justify their needs on a case by case basis, Landis said.

So dim those lights and enjoy conservation.

White Sands Missile Range is one of two finalists in the selection of a site for the Navy's Seafarer system.

Seafarer is a surface deployed variation of the Navy's Sanguine system, part of the Extremely Low Frequency (ELF) system to insure continuous, survivable communications with ballistic missile submarine forces.

The other site under consideration is Nellis Air Force Base in Nevada.

If the Seafarer system is validated, whichever of the two sites selected could benefit greatly from their selection. The estimated cost of construction for the system is in the neighborhood of \$500 million, with a construction crew to number around 1,000 persons. Further, when the system is in place, a per-

manent staff of several hundred persons would be needed to run and maintain it.

According to a Department of Defense statement issued March 4, the decision has been made to proceed with additional design validation work on this new version of ELF, the Seafarer system. Seafarer would be available for use in the pre-attack time period or, if the continental United States remained a sanctuary, in a limited nuclear exchange.

The decision to proceed with design validation of Seafarer was reached following deliberation by the Department of Defense World Wide Military Command and Control System (WWMCCS) Council.

Other ELF systems considered, and on which research and development will proceed

are: Sanguine, the hardened and dispersed surface deployed system capable of operation both during attack and post-attack periods; and Shelf, an even "harder" deep underground ELF system. All three systems employ the same ELF frequency band and receiver systems. Environmental studies conducted to date likewise apply to all three systems and indicate there would be no adverse environmental effects.

A Defense Systems Acquisition Review Council meeting will be held in approximately one year to determine whether to proceed with Seafarer or another candidate ELF system. During the same period, a final decision should be reached on site location for such a system.



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Seafarer system

Navy eyes range

5 minus 13 equals trouble, but food stamps can ease the bind

If someone gave you \$5 and took away \$13, how much more food could you buy? That's a stupid question, of course, since you'd have \$8 less than when you started.

Yet this very situation, only on a multiplied scale, took place with most of us during the past year. Remember the five per cent pay raise you got last October? You expected that two, three or four hundred dollars to help you live just a little better. But did you realize that during the time covered by that five per cent raise the cost of living went up 13 per cent? So you went in the hole eight per cent.

So now you have a problem. Some call it inflation, some a recession, and others a depression. By any name, though, you simply don't have enough money to pay your bills. To compound the loss for

military persons, many have lost their specialty pay while others have a spouse who has lost his or her job.

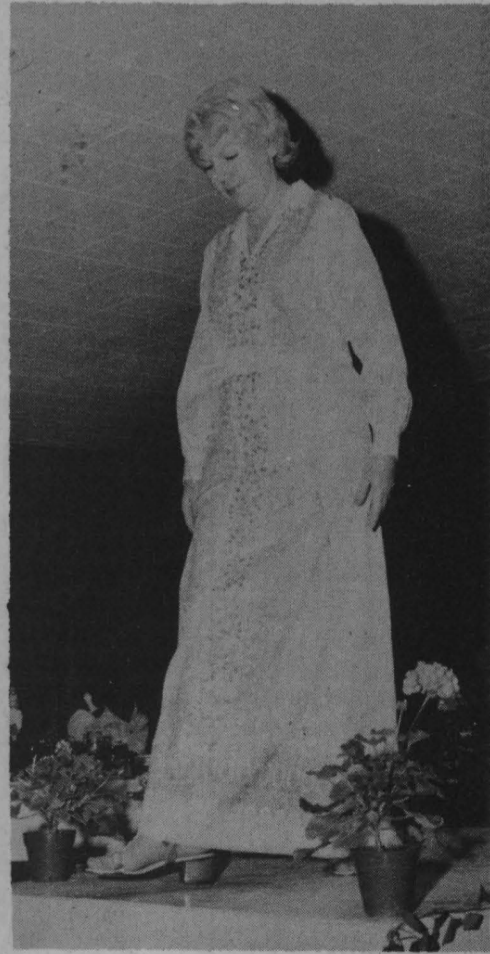
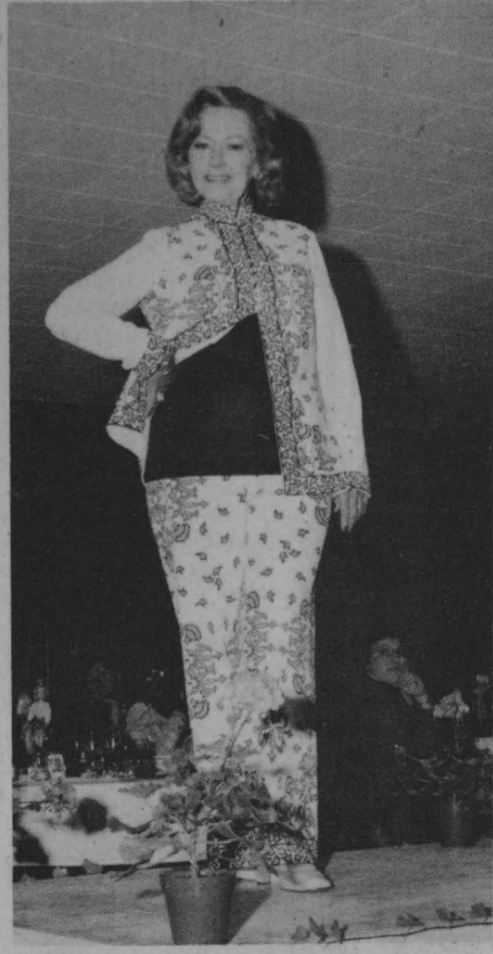
The Army Community Service Center has some advice and a possible source of assistance for you if you're having money problems. Their advice — Call ACS, 678-3933, to see if you qualify for the Department of Agriculture's Food Stamp Program.

The Food Stamp Program enables low-income households to buy more food of greater variety for the same amount of money they have been paying for their food. Participants in the program pay a sum of money — the amount is based on family size and net monthly income — and receive a larger value of food stamps which can be spent like money in most food stores.

To qualify for food stamp benefits, households must meet certain nationwide standards such as income and work registration. Qualified households receive an allotment of coupons determined by the number of persons in the household.

According to an ACS spokesman, a number of military families at White Sands qualify for Food Stamps and should feel free to apply for them since they are paid for through taxes and are not charity.

Persons who think they might qualify for the program should contact the ACS center before March 18, the scheduled date for representatives of the Health and Welfare Services of Dona Ana County to certify families at the range for the program.



A sure sign of spring

Changes of season are marked, for many women, by corresponding changes of fashion. With Easter just around the corner, the White Sands Officers' Wives Club treated themselves to a peek at spring fashions Tuesday in a show put on by Thunderbird of Mesilla. From left, models are Pat Haskins,

Claire Vose, and Dorothea Voda. Other models of the hand painted outfits were Linda Stewart, Rhonda Edwards, June Jones, Ginnie Burton, Jean Harrington, Melvia Hall and Beth Searls.

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The Army and Congress

The fundamental principle underlying Army relationships with the Congress is that the Congress and the military are partners, not adversaries, in national defense. This partnership is directed implicitly by the Constitution and explicitly by title 10 of the U.S. Code and related laws, and it should be understood by all officers and senior DA civilians.

To make the partnership functional requires that the Army's approach to congressional activities be open, informative, responsive, and innovative at every level in consonance with Secretary Callaway's "Glad You Asked" theme. Army spokesmen should evince this by a forthright attitude which inspires confidence and trust. Army leaders must be timely in informing Members of Congress (MC's) or committee staffers of newly approved plans, studies, or reviews which could lead to significant changes in current plans and programs. How much of a specific plan or change should be discussed is usually apparent from the level at which it must be approved. Installation commanders or program managers should take the initiative in discussing the activities they can authorize, for example, facility contracting, unit maneuvers, community relations, and actions which impact on the environment. On the other hand, they should avoid discussing controversial recommendations made to a higher echelon before a final decision is made. In general, any remarks must be candid and within prudent limits that avoid confusion if ultimate decisions do not go as anticipated.

A key aspect of congressional relationships is to avoid any suggestion of coverup by prompt disclosure of difficulties and initial corrective actions, particularly where potentially embarrassing information is concerned. This is the acid test for Army credibility. An example was provided on January 10, 1975 when Secretary Callaway announced that the Army had discovered an unauthorized microfilm file of information on persons and organizations not affiliated with DOD. As the late General Creighton W. Abrams stated, "Bad news does not improve with age." A related aspect is that the Army must make extraordinary efforts to avoid surprising the Congress. Significant Army events, to include a change of major installation commander, that are first learned through the media may make a congressional representative look foolish and ineffective in the eyes of the local constituency.

The principle of congressional partnership entails more effort for Army spokesmen to make contact with MC's and staffers on many questions so that congressional views can be received and evaluated. This contact is provided by the Office of the Chief of Legislative Liaison (OCLL) where broad issues, programs, and multiple facilities are involved and by the Office of the Comptroller of the Army for cases dealing with the Appropriations Committees. Where the issues involve only one installation or a local activity, local commanders must be able to sense sensitive viewpoints for themselves and further develop a cordial and candid relationship with MC's so as to prevent individual Members from being surprised by local Army studies or actions which could affect their district, generate their input to Army decisionmaking, enlist their support for local Army actions, and develop their rapport with the installation and Army at large. Installation or activity commanders should meet periodically — preferably semi-annually and more frequently when significant actions are pending — with local congressional representatives and preferably in district offices. When appropriate, commanders are also encouraged to meet with civilian aides to the Secretary of the Army as well as with state and local officials. Developing and sustaining this expanded relationship will require a considerable degree of awareness and effort on the part of commanders and their staffs. In this regard, OCLL is prepared to assist in identifying MC's who have an interest in specific installations and activities. Such initiatives by local commanders will make a vital contribution to the spirit of partnership which the Army must maintain with the Congress and will substantially assist in generating much needed congressional support for the Army's legislative programs.

Robert L. Kirwan Brigadier General, USA Chief of Staff

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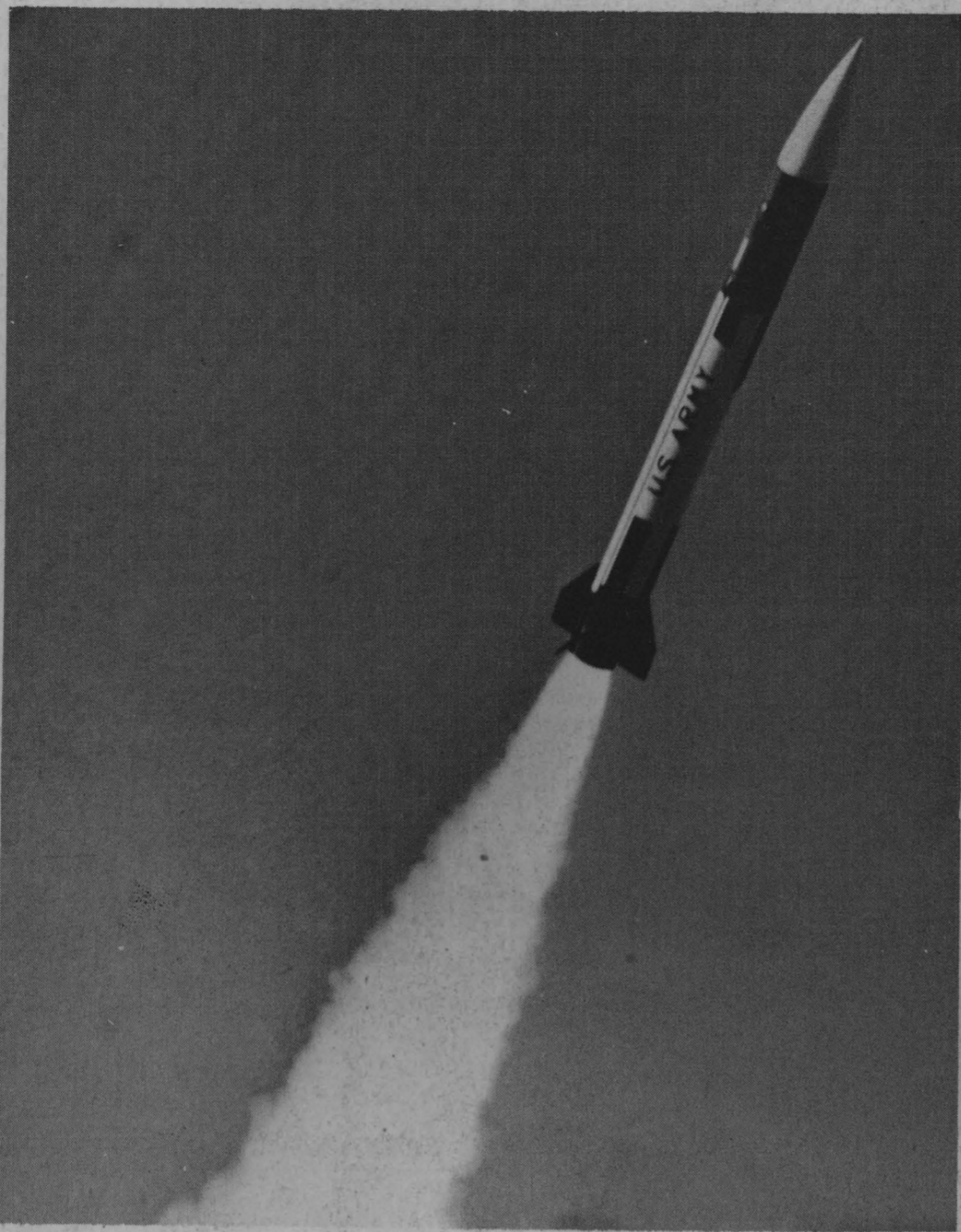
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Army implementing its new drug policy

WASHINGTON (ANF)—Urinalysis is resuming in the field following the recent arrival of test materials at laboratories and DoD's lifting of the ban on involuntary urine testing last month.

Accompanying the resumption of testing are changes in the Army's directives and exemption policy designed to comply with restrictions flowing from the court ruling in U.S. v. Ruiz. In that case, the U.S. Court of Military Appeals held that an order to provide a urine specimen which could result in a general discharge violates Article 31, UCMJ, and cannot be enforced.

The purpose of the Army's exemption policy is to encourage soldiers to seek help for alcohol or other drug problems by limiting the consequences of a soldier's involvement in the Alcohol and Drug Abuse Prevention and Control Program (ADAPCP). The exemption policy applies

Tryouts set next week for comedy

Tryouts for the third production of the White Sands Missile Range Little Theater Group are Tuesday and Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. at Countdown Recreation.

The latest production is Noel Coward's "Blithe Spirit," a witty comedy about a married man haunted by the 'blithe' spirit of his first wife, much to the consternation of the present and very-much-alive wife of the moment.

The cast calls for two women and four men, plus lots of backstage properties or scenery assistance. All WSMRites interested in the theater are urged to try out for one of the parts.

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to soldiers in three categories: those who seek help or volunteer for treatment — those who are identified through involuntary urinalysis — and those who are identified as a result of receiving emergency medical treatment for possible drug overdose.

Certain administrative steps must be taken by a soldier who receives treatment for drug overdose in a civilian medical facility in order to verify the treatment.

Soldiers in any of the three exempt categories cannot be punished under the UCMJ for past offenses of use or incidental possession of drugs. Additionally, an honorable discharge must be given to such a soldier if evidence of exempt drug involvement or evidence developed from identification under the drug exemption policy is used to support separation.

Exemption under any of the three categories is automatic; it is not granted; it cannot be withdrawn or vacated. Each time a soldier seeks assistance for his drug problem, he is exempt. But exemption does not apply to a soldier seeking further assistance for his drug problem and who has already been declared a rehabilitation failure and awaits discharge — except for one who qualifies because of emergency treatment for possible drug overdose.

It will be difficult for drug abusers who have no real in-

Seeks applicant

FORT BELVOIR, Va. (ANF) — The U.S. Military Academy Preparatory School (USMAPS) here is accepting applications for the 1975-76 school year that begins in August. USMAPS helps selected soldiers qualify academically, physically and militarily for entrance into the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, N.Y.

Eligibility criteria and other information are in Army regulation 351-12 and DA pamphlet 350-2. Applications must be in by June 1.



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The Army's SAM-D missile successfully engaged a drone Feb. 27 in the first engineering development test of its Track-Missile (TVM) guidance system at White Sands Missile Range.

Brigadier General Charles F. Means, SAM-D Project Manager at Redstone Arsenal, Ala., called the test a "... resounding success."

"This completes another major milestone and is a landmark accomplishment in the SAM-D development program," Means said.

The fully guided SAM-D missile, responding to ground control immediately after launch, intercepted the Firebee drone which was flying subsonically at medium range and altitude. Although the missile did not actually strike the target, the miss distance was well within the lethal radius of the SAM-D warhead.

"This was the first of two checkout rounds to demonstrate the complete weapon system compatibility," Means said, explaining that the Army has scheduled 16 proof of principle flight tests to prove out the SAM-D guidance technique.

"We validated ground equipment, pre-launch checkout and countdown procedures, missile acquisition, midcourse guidance and activation of TVM guidance hardware."

The general said after one more dynamic test of the SAM-D radar and weapon control computer, launcher and missile compatibility, "... We'll go into more advanced testing against maneuvering targets, targets flying information, and targets flying at various speeds and altitudes from treetop up."

SAM-D's ground based fire control group, through its phased array radar, acquired the target and tracked and illuminated it. The missile, acting as an "eye", picked up radar energy reflected from the target and relayed it to the ground for real-time digital processing. The missile, tracked simultaneously by the phased array radar, received guidance commands from the ground and assisted in the terminal guidance phase.

The success of the first engineering development test culminates months of testing of components and subsystems in both static and flight environments. Means said the flight demonstrated SAM-D's system performance and "... serves as the baseline for the proof of principle program and the TVM guidance concept."

TVM guidance, which employs a phased array radar and ground-based digital computers to track, guide and command the SAM-D missile in flight, is expected to provide a substantial increase in air defense performance against multiple and maneuvering targets in an electronic countermeasures environment.

SAM-D is being developed for defense against aircraft of the 1980s and beyond. The highly mobile, all weather system is the only air defense weapon of its kind, and with its capabilities, under development in the free world.

SAM-D will replace both Nike Hercules and Hawk air defense systems.

Raytheon Company is SAM-D prime contractor and Martin Marietta Aerospace is principal subcontractor. Thiokol Chemical Corporation is subcontractor for the propulsion system.

Secretaries' seminar slated

The annual NSA seminar will be held from 8 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., March 19 in the Airport Hilton Inn, El Paso. The seminar will focus attention on the increasing importance of professional attitudes and standards for secretaries, the improvement of skills and communications and the theme is "Be Aware — Be Interested — Be Ready — Be Flexible — Be Knowing." All persons interested in the secretarial profession are invited to attend. Advance registration is required, since attendance will be limited to the first 300 registrants and none will be accepted at the door. Persons who attend will be granted seven hours duty time and one hour will be charged to annual leave. Registration must be received by 15 March 1975. Forms are available at the following locations: ARMTE, Building 1504, Rm 230 (Angie Fernandez); NRO, Bldg 100, Room 105, (Rosalinda Mercado); TRANSANA, Bldg 1400, Rm A133 (Jan McDougall); ASL, Bldg 1622, Room 230 (Edith Rohan).

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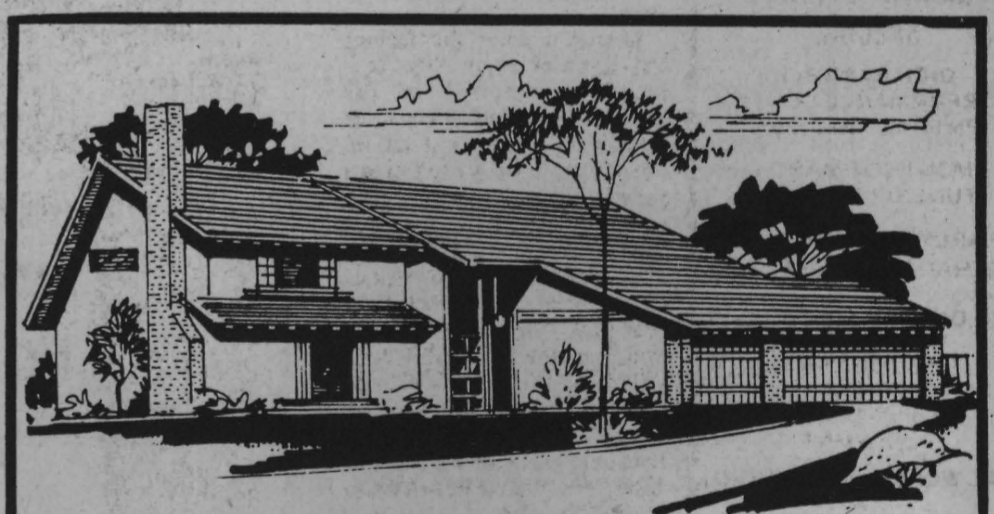
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What's happening?

Tonight
On post — Countdown Recreation Center has a ping pong tourney at 7:30 p.m. Officers Club has fried shrimp with French fries.

In the area — UTEP film series, "End of the Road," 8 p.m., Union Theater. Alan Titus, baritone, in concert at Liberty Hall, El Paso, 8 p.m. Also in El Paso, first day of a two day Jazz Festival in Recital Hall of the UTEP Fine Arts Building, noon to 6 p.m. today, noon to 5 p.m. Saturday.

Saturday
On post — Countdown Recreation Center has a pool tourney at 1 p.m., play rehearsal at 2 p.m., cribbage tourney at 2 p.m., hearts tourney at 3 p.m. and a movie at 4 p.m. Officers Club has a Hall and Farewell.

In the area — Last day of Jazz Festival (see Friday for information). "Little Lame Prince" at Civic Center Theater, 8 p.m.

Sunday
On post — Countdown Recreation Center has all-day coffee call, a noon spades tournament, pinocle tourney at 2 p.m., and game night at 7:30 p.m. The Officers Club is closed.

In the area — Tower of Power in concert, Grand Hall of the El Paso Civic Center, 8 p.m. Concert of Methodist Choirs, Plaza Theater, 4 p.m. Final day of the Senior Southwestern Invitational Small Bore rifle tournament, largest of its kind in the U.S., UTEP range, all day.

Monday
On post — Countdown Recreation Center has a St. Patrick's Day party at 7:30 p.m. called "Kiss the Blarney Stone." The Officers Club has a special menu in honor of the day; corned beef with cabbage and boiled potatoes, rolls, \$2.35.

In the area — Faculty Artists Recital, Daniel Wright, at the Fine Arts Building Recital Hall, UTEP, 8 p.m. From today until the 29th, the Easter Bunny may be visited on the mall in Bassett and Northgate Shopping centers. Marcel Marceau, noted pantomimist, Civic Center Theater, 8 p.m. "Witchcraft Through the Ages," NMSU film series, 8 p.m. in Hardman Hall.

Tuesday
On post — Countdown Recreation Center has auditions for "Blithe Spirit," new production by the WSMR Little Theater Group; also play

rehearsal, both at 7:30 p.m. The Officers Club features Chinese Night with its menu special, chop suey for \$2.30.

Wednesday
On post — Auditions for "Blithe Spirit" continue at Countdown Recreation Center, 7:30 p.m.; also at 7:30, play rehearsal. The Officers Club menu special is broiled ham steak with Hawaiian sauce and sweet potatoes for \$2.45.

In the area — "Conspiracy of Hearts" at UTEP's Union Theater, 8 p.m. Texas A & M Singing Cadets, Plaza Theater, 8 p.m.

Thursday
On post — Countdown Recreation Center has a Fifties Party at 7:30 p.m. The Officers Club has a Mexican combination dinner special for \$2.25.

In the area — Rag-time pianist Max Morath, Chamizal Theater, 8 p.m.



White Sands Missile Range's Cub Scout Pack 79 poses with Major General Robert J. Proudfoot, range commander, rear, and Doris Pearson, Den Mother, Den 3, left, and Troy McNab, Webelos Scout assistant, Sandra Wright, Den Mother, Den 4, stands on the right. General Proudfoot was guest speaker at the Blue and Gold banquet, where five cubs and Mrs. Wright were honored.

Annual Blue, Gold banquet honors Cub Scout Pack 79

by Shirley Nichols
The annual Blue and Gold banquet for Cub Scout Pack 79 was conducted last week at the Navy's 7-8-9 Club on post.

Major General Robert J. Proudfoot, range commander, was guest speaker. Colonel Benjamin B. Safar, Army Missile Test and Evaluation director and Institutional Representative for Scouting, was also present.

The main theme for decorations was "Famous Americans." Cub Scouts made the accessories for the place settings and Cub Scout mothers made and decorated cakes which also promoted the main theme.

Chief Warrant Officer David Dimmick, awards chairman, conducted the awards presentation ceremony.

The following awards were presented:
Silver Arrows to Keith Wright and Kenneth Pearson; Gold and Silver Arrows to Virgil Lisama; Webelos badges for citizenship, craftsman, forester, naturalist, sportsman and traveller to Will Wright; Webelos badges for artist, engineer, geologist and traveller to Brian Hanby. Mrs. Sandra Wright received a two-year service star.

Entertainment for the evening was provided by the "Sierra Chapel Singers" who led the Cub Scouts in a sing-a-

long of "oldies but goodies." In closing Major Ron Wood, chairman of Pack 79 council, thanked all volunteers who had contributed their time and effort during the past year and asked all to continue to support the local scouting program.

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Jack Sauntry ends 31-year U.S. career

More than 31 years of federal service ended this week for John J. (Jack) Sauntry of El Paso, chief of the Emergency Control Center at White Sands Missile Range.

As a program analysis officer with the WSMR Plans Office, Sauntry directed the post's disaster preparedness and survival measures programs for 12 years. Formerly of Las Cruces, he was employed at White Sands for 19 years.

Born in Platte, S. D., Sauntry grew up in Souix City, Iowa, where he received his education. He entered civil service at Hastings, Neb., during World War II, employed by the U.S. Navy as an ammunition handler.

After serving in the Navy from 1944 to 1946, he returned to his job with the Navy at Hastings.

Transferring to the Department of the Army in 1949, Sauntry worked at Sidney, Neb., and Joliet, Ill., until January 1956 when he transferred to White Sands.

After four years with the Electro-Mechanical Laboratories division, Sauntry was promoted and reassigned to the Plans Office in 1960. He became chief of the Emergency Control Center in 1963.

Sauntry's wife, the former Pat Ryan of Souix City, is a long-time employe of the Civilian Personnel division at WSMR, now serving as an employe development technician with the training and development branch.

With their four children, Mr. and Mrs. Sauntry lived in Las Cruces from 1956 to 1965. They now make their home at 412 Bedford Road, in the Upper Valley area of El Paso, with sons Tim and Mark. Another son, Michael, now lives in Houston. Daughter Patricia Anne, Mrs. Walter Roll, lives in Blue Ridge, Tex.

In retirement Sauntry plans to devote his time to home projects and to such hobbies as skeet shooting, trap shooting, hunting, fishing and other outdoor activities.

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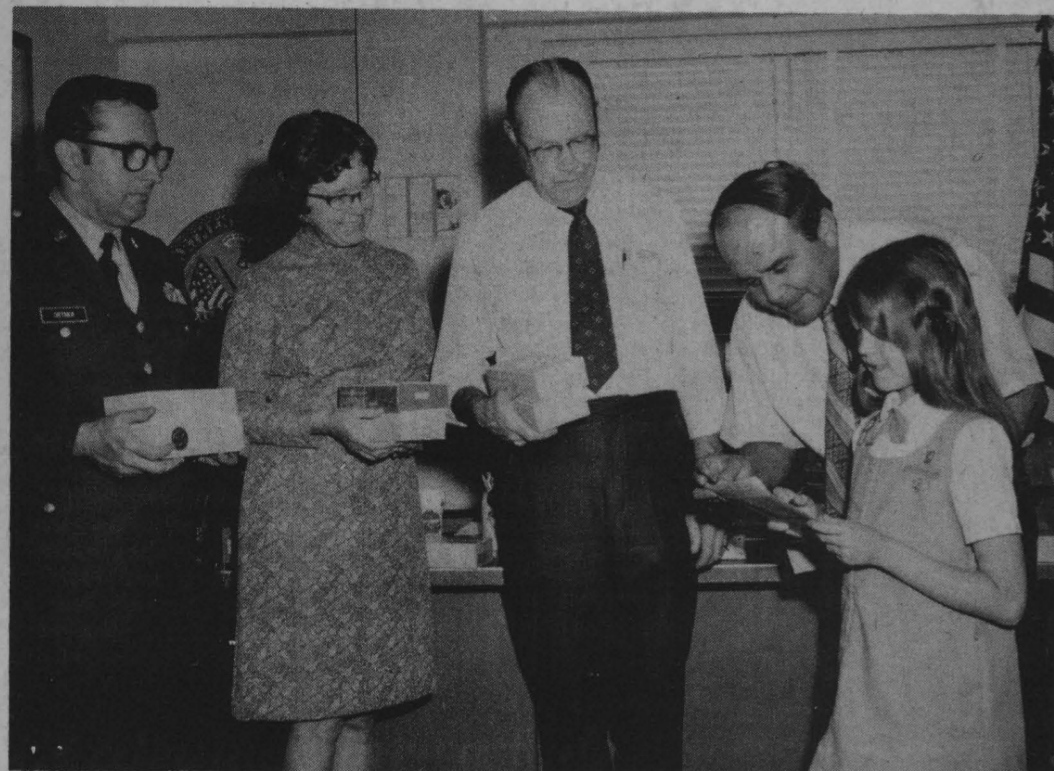
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Last week was "pay-up" time for all those who ordered Girl Scout Cookies. Courtenay Lee Keller of Brownie Pack 198 led all Brownies in sales with 43 boxes. She collects here from Ed White of the Information Office as (from left) SPS Dave Ortner, Mrs. Dovie Leonard and Chuck Poissall from IN await their turn to make good on the cookies ordered previously.

VGLI conversion explained

WASHINGTON (ANF) — Some questions are being asked why the Servicemen's Group Life Insurance (SGLI) conversion privilege was discontinued by the new Veterans Group Life Insurance (VGLI) program that became effective Aug. 1, 1974.

Many of the questions raised about VGLI result from a misunderstanding of what the conversion privilege means.

The conversion privilege, under the old plan, was designed for veterans who did not qualify for standard rate commercial insurance because of health reasons or still had certain military obligations to fill, such as flying.

It allowed a veteran to convert his SGLI coverage to a standard-rate individual commercial policy with one of the participating SGLI companies within 120 days after leaving active duty.

In the past, few veterans had to exercise the conversion option to qualify for standard insurance rates. VA officials explain that most soldiers leaving active duty are in good health and have little difficulty buying individual policies at standard rates.

Under the present plan, soldiers leaving active duty after Aug. 1, 1974 can change SGLI coverage to VGLI within

120 days. If totally disabled at separation, the veteran has one year to convert.

VGLI is non-renewable, five-year term insurance. At the end of the five-year VGLI coverage, the veteran then has the identical conversion

Orders mark acting NCOs

WASHINGTON (ANF) — Recognition of the leadership potential of soldiers who are acting corporals (E-4) and acting sergeants (E-5) will follow them when they are reassigned.

Future reassignment orders of soldiers in an acting NCO status will include instructions noting their acting NCO status ended because of reassignment. Follow-up reassignment orders will carry this notation until a soldier reaches his new unit.

The purpose of the special instructions is to insure gaining commanders are aware of a soldier's previous NCO experience. The requirement to annotate orders is in DA message 181513Z Feb. '75 that changes AR 310-10 and chapter 7, AR 600-200.

Gardening, once a fad, can change life styles

It started as a fad but has improved the health and pocket-books of its followers and has become a way of life for many.

Now military families at White Sands Missile Range can take part in this great new pastime and reap its benefits — a lower food budget, less boredom and improved physical condition. The place is the new community garden, the cost is small, and the time is now.

The community garden is being sponsored by Army Community Services in cooperation with Facilities Engineering directorate, who will till the soil initially and make water available to the gardeners.

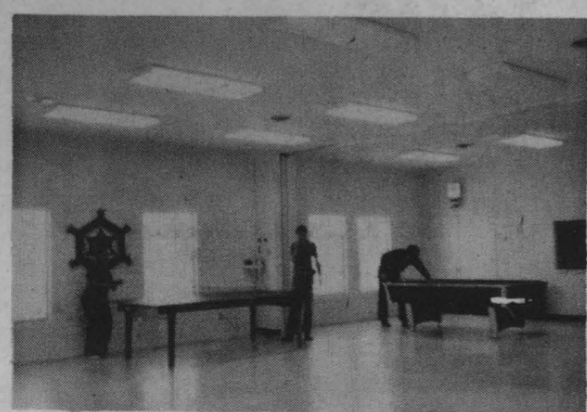
Members of the garden plan will supply their seed and fertilizer and will be assessed a small charge for erecting a fence of chicken wire, which costs about 80 cents per foot. Exact cost will be determined by the number of families taking part. Members will also help build the fence.

Families who don't want a part of the community garden but who wish to have gardens and who have vacant lots beside their homes may turn the lots into gardens. Fence posts and a tractor to break the soil are available. Individual gardeners will pay for the chicken wire for a fence and build the fence.

Persons interested in working part of a community garden or in having a private garden should call ACS, 678-3933, before March 24 so that the garden can be fenced and tilled and gardening begun.



Shown here holding the first place trophy following last week's annual Desierto Toast-mistress speech contest is Alice Vera of Mesilla Park. Other winners were Nina Shildneck, second and Sandi Link, third.



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Part 3

Crime prevention

(NOTE: The following article, written by SFC J.J. Broughman of the WSMR Provost Marshal's office, is the final installment of a three-part series on Crime Prevention.)

As you have probably noted from the previous articles, Crime Prevention is mostly a matter of being alert to the danger and taking the proper precautions to safeguard your property.

In addition to the protective measures listed before, here are some steps that apply locally:

Notify the Military Police when you are going to be away for extended periods of time so that MP patrols will check your quarters regularly.

Secure any property that you normally leave outside, such as trash cans, hoses, garden tools, etc.

Have one of your neighbors cut and water the lawn regularly, as an unkempt lawn is also an invitation to a thief.

In order to succeed in the prevention of crime, there has to be participation by all members of the community. You have to be alert for the protection of your neighbor's property as well as your own. If

one person develops the attitude that "what doesn't directly concern him isn't his business," then he and the whole community suffer.

The awareness of people in noting situations that seem out of place and reporting them to the proper authorities is the main step in successful crime prevention.

If you see something unusual don't hesitate or be afraid of being embarrassed to ask around your neighborhood to determine whether or not it is legitimate. Many crimes could have been prevented if people hadn't been afraid of looking foolish in the event they were mistaken.

Lastly, people need to develop a positive attitude toward law enforcement agencies and put the fear of becoming involved in the background, where it belongs.

Some people have a tendency to dislike policemen, but they are the ones who are going to help you when you really need it. Reporting events that seem out of place is actually a service to yourself and the community. It shows that you really care and that you are doing your part to make the community a better and safer place to live.

Local Legion sets birthday dinner Mon

A special birthday dinner is planned for Monday, March 17, by the Joe Quesenberry Post 10, Las Cruces, in observance of the American Legion's 56th anniversary.

Post Commander F.C. Reta, a White Sands Missile Range employe, said the American Legion Auxiliary will furnish a special birthday cake and assist with serving dinner. The observance will be held at the Legion Hall, Court and Santa Fe streets in Las Cruces, beginning at 7 p.m. The dinner is under the direction of Anastasio Portillo.

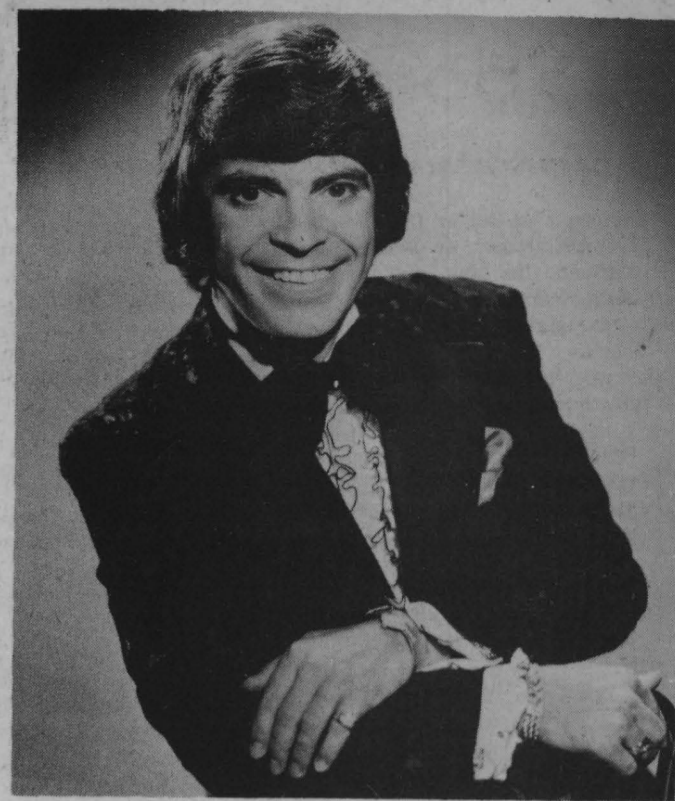
The Las Cruces post will join nearly 16,000 other American Legion posts throughout the United States and several overseas countries and territories in the annual observance.

The Legion was founded during a caucus in Paris, France, March 15-17, 1919, when representatives of the various units that make up the American Expeditionary Forces of World War I first reconvened.

Since that founding, the Legion has opened its ranks to membership by veterans of World War II, the Korean War and Vietnam conflict. Veterans of these three conflicts are now eligible for American Legion membership.

Commander Reta said this year's anniversary theme is "Be Counted Again — For America."

"All veterans have at one time taken that step forward to be counted for their country," Commander Reta said. "Through membership in the American Legion all veterans have the opportunity to be counted again through participation in the various service programs sponsored by the American Legion."



At Tegmeyers Monday

Opening at Tegmeyer's Steak House and Lounge Monday, March 17, will be Jentry Miller lately of Las Vegas and Reno. In honor of Jentry's first visit to Las Cruces, Tegmeyer's will buy a round of free beer for all Lounge patrons at 8:30 p.m. Monday. The Jentry Miller show is a fast-moving, tight, exciting show that includes impersonations, bullet-like comedy and fine musicians who can play anything from the anniversary waltz to the top twenty. (Sun Talent Photo)

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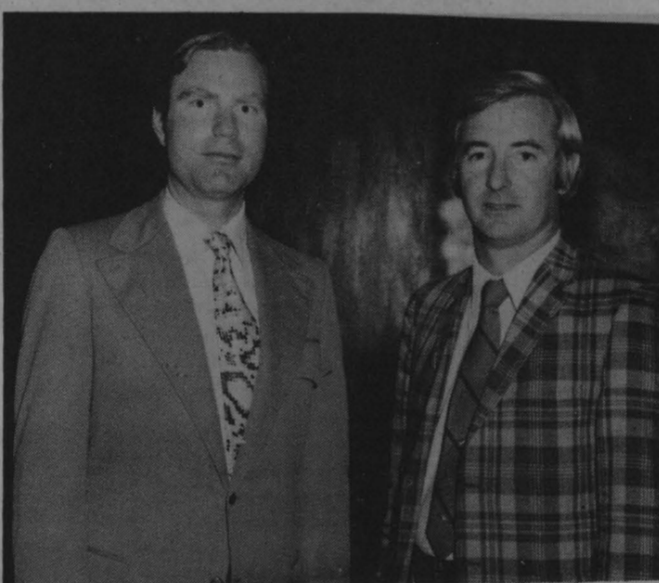
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Conference sponsors

Co-chairmen of the "Better Management" conference to be held tomorrow at the University of Texas at El Paso are Dr. Philip E. Hicks, right, an instructor at New Mexico State University, and Dr. Leland T. Blank, a UTEP instructor. Interested persons may register for the conference by calling Ron Makin, 915-751-8861, or in person at the UTEP Ballroom-Union Bldg at 8:30 a.m. March 15. Registration fee is \$18. The conference is being sponsored by the Chaarral Chapter of the American Institute of Industrial Engineers. (US Army Photo)

Directorate News

Congratulations are due this week to Gilbert Silva, LG-SS and Genoveva Trujillo, LG-SM, who received outstanding efficiency ratings. Certificates of achievement have been presented to Jo Zimmerman and Alicia Gonzalez, LG-SS.

While were handing out congratulations, Albert M. Rodriguez, nephew of Thomas Conley, LG-SS, has been named to the bachelor of universal studies degree program Roll of Distinction and Program Honor Roll. Albert is working toward a degree in law at University of New Mexico, Albuquerque and at the rate he's going, we predict he will have a brilliant future.

Several of our members are hospitalized this week and we hope you will soon recuperate and be back at work. Nazario Walters, LG-ST, hospitalized with plebeitis and Jessie Wilson, LG-SO with pneumonia and other complications. Clara Eisch, LGj-SO and Roberto Link, third.

Murphy, LG-ST, have returned to work after hospitalization.

Army Private Albert Martinez, son of Willie Martinez, LG-ST, has been home on leave pending assignment to Frankfurt, Germany.

Ernest Wood, LG-ST, was recently "father of the bride" when lovely daughter Debbie was married.

We noted a good representation of Supply personnel at the Lawrence Welk show last Friday. All of us who attended were treated to a delightful show.

Supply personnel riding the "big carpool" (WSMR buses) appreciate and want to thank LG-T for the fine service given us in sending a representative to Bldg. 1838 each Tuesday to sell tickets.

That skinny streak on the 10-speed bike we've been seeing whiz by every afternoon is none other than Delmar Torres, LG-ST, practicing his weight reduction program. Some of the rest of us would do well to join him.

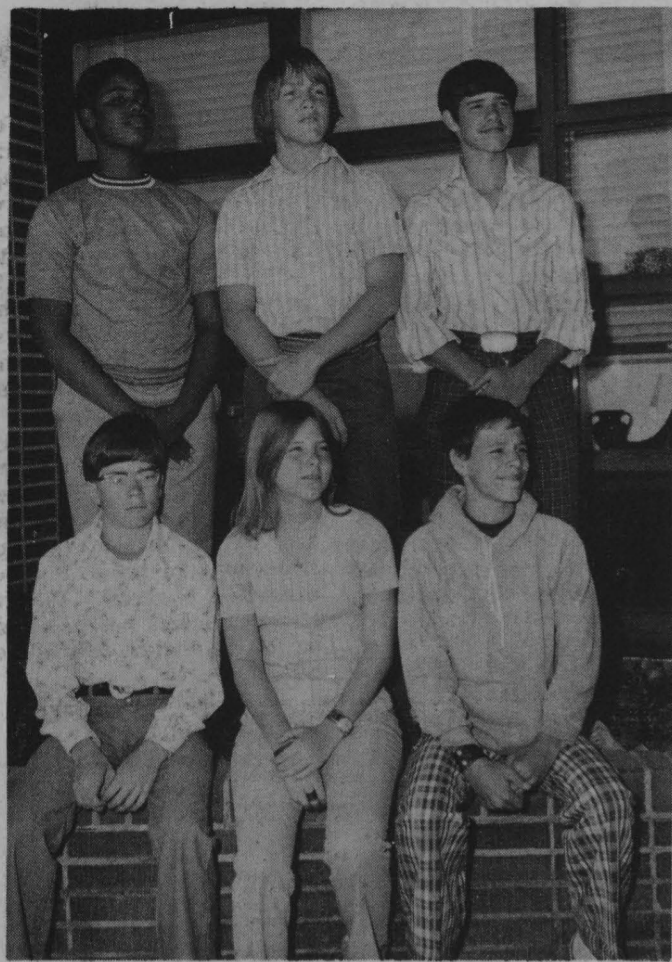
Golfers notice

A home and Home Match is scheduled with New Mexico State University at Sierra Vista Golf Course Saturday at 9 a.m. Because of the tournament, the course will be closed to normal play until 1:30 p.m. Please call the golf shop at 678-1759 to reserve tee time.

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Represent range

These six White Sands Missile Range Junior High School students represented their school in the Optimist Oratorical contests last week in Las Cruces. David Gloor, seated left, placed second in the High Noon competition. Others taking part (seated) were Shelley Beach and Mike Naddef. Standing, from left, Carlton Blocker, Josh Cary and Carlton Whitlock.

Range youth wins speech contest honor

The son of a White Sands Missile Range sergeant major won second place in the High Noon Contest Club oratorical contest last week at the Las Cruces City Hall.

David Gloor, son of Sergeant Major Carl and Mrs. Gloor, 410 Atlas, won the runnerup prize with his topic, "Give Me Your Hand." In his talk young Gloor compared the workings of the government to the teamwork of a basketball team to accomplish a common goal.

Also competing in the boys' division for the White Sands Missile Range Junior High School was Carlton Blocker, son of Sergeant First Class and Mrs. John Blocker. Shelley Beach, daughter of Major and Mrs. David Beach, was the only girl to enter the competition.

At the same time, also in Las Cruces, three other missile range students were competing in the Breakfast Optimist Club's oratorical contest. Representing the Range Junior High were Carlton Whitlock, son of Sergeant First Class and Mrs. David Whitlock; Mike

Naddef, son of Lieutenant Colonel and Mrs. Wilfred Naddef, and Josh Cary, son of Major and Mrs. Jack Cary.

The Optimist oratorical contest was initiated in 1928 and was originally limited to boys only. In the early 1970s, separate contests were started for girls. Winners of local contests are eligible for competition in zone and district competition with district winners receiving a \$500 scholarship.

The purpose of the contests are not just to recognize and honor the best speaker in a school or community, but to offer training, encouragement and experience that will aid the participants as they become contributing citizens in society. Scoring in the competition is based on personal qualities, material organization, delivery, presentation and overall effectiveness.

Housing assistance easy through VA

The Veterans Administration reminds married veterans that it is easier than ever before to qualify for housing assistance.

Administrator of Veterans Affairs Richard L. Roudebush noted the agency now accords full recognition to incomes and expenses of both veteran and spouse in determining ability to repay loan obligations.

Roudebush said VA is required by law to determine if contemplated terms of repayment bear a proper relation to the veteran's anticipated income and expenses before approving the loan.

"But while the spouse's income has always been considered," Roudebush explained, "local rules

sometimes had the effect of discounting the spouse's income. Now, however, no such local rules are imposed, and the spouse's income is given full consideration."

VA guarantees 60 per cent of GI loans (maximum \$17,500) private lenders make to military service personnel, veterans and eligible spouses of World War II, Korean and post-Korean conflicts and the Vietnam-era.

Surf & turf tonight at 7-8-9 Club

A special lobster-steak dinner followed by dancing is set for White Sands Missile Range's 7-8-9 Club tonight beginning at 5 p.m.

The dining room will offer surf and turf for \$8.25; lobster with drawn butter and other trimmings for \$7; T-bone (16 ounces) for \$4.25 and sirloin steak (16 ounces) for \$4.25.

All steaks will be served with baked potato, sour cream or butter, mixed vegetables, tossed salad, hot rolls and coffee or tea. Sautéed mushrooms and onions will be 50 cents extra.

Following dinner the "Consistent Dynamic," one of El Paso's better musical aggregations, will perform for listening and dancing pleasure. The free dance is scheduled to get underway at 9 p.m.

The 7-8-9 Club is open to all enlisted members of the armed services, active and retired, in pay grades 7, 8 and 9.



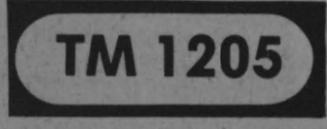
Tonight

Winnie the Pooh and Tigger Too — The Island at the Top of the World — G — Adults \$1, children 50 cents. Starring David Hartman and Agneta Eckemyr, "Island at the Top of the World" is the story of an expedition into the fantastic lost world of the Vikings. Lots of action and adventure. Both are Disney productions.

Saturday, Sunday, Monday The Man with the Golden Gun — PG — Adults \$1, children 50 cents. Stars Roger Moore as Agent 007, with Britt Echland. A villain challenges James Bond to a hand-to-hand battle to determine who is the real superman. Action filled and lots of gimmicks.

Tuesday, Wednesday Nightmare Honeymoon — PG — Adults 60 cents, children 30 cents. Stars Daek Rambo, Rebecca Dianna Smith, Pat Hingle. A contemporary mystery drama, set in Los Angeles and the Big Sur country, about a honeymooning couple whose wedding night is violated by hired killers and the murderous revenge which follows. Violence may offend some.

Thursday, Friday The Odessa File — PG — Adults \$1, children 50 cents. Stars Jon Voight and Maximilian Schell. A German reporter, Voight, infiltrates a secret network of ex-SS officers, stumbling on a plot involving germ warfare and Israel. Violence and language may offend some.



Speeches entitled "What is a Good Supervisor?" and "Important Thoughts About the Equal Rights Amendment" were presented by Gilbert Stoltz and Richard Priest respectively during this week's meeting of TM Club 1205. Judging this second round of the Spring Speech Contest were Al Cruz and Martha Zamora. Based on their decision, Stoltz received the Speaker's Award and will continue in the competition.

The sixth session on parliamentary procedures was conducted by Henry Leinbach Jr.



Now taking orders

These six members of the White Sands Missile Range Junior High School Student Council are now taking cookbook orders for delivery in April. They are, from left seated, Clyde Johnson, Nancy Mathewson and Susan Lohse. Rear, from left, Jim Safar, Mark Healy and Kevin Schauer.

Continental cuisine available for a price

Six members of the White Sands Missile Range Junior High School student council will begin selling international-type cookbooks during April.

The cookbooks will contain more than 260 tried and tested recipes, most with the donor's name and address. The unique and valuable books will sell for \$3.50 each. The books will feature recipes for appetizers, main dishes, vegetables, soups and salads, breads and rolls, cakes and cookies, desserts and miscellaneous dishes.

Only six missile range students will be authorized to take cookbook orders and deliver purchases. Each student will have an official name card and receipt book.

Students taking orders and delivering books will be Jimmy Safar, 223 Jupiter, 678-5644; Kevin Schauer, 426 Thor, 678-1487; Nancy Mathewson, 310 Viking, 678-5564; Susan Lohse, 200 Goddard, 678-5162; Clyde Johnson, 309 Savanna, 678-1474, and Mark Healy, 203 Viking,

678-5676.

Post residents wishing to purchase the international cookbooks are asked to contact one of the above students now to insure delivery. Residents who will be transferred before the books arrive are asked to leave a self-addressed, stamped, manila envelope at the post school. Books will be forwarded immediately upon arrival.

The student council asks support of all White Sands Missile Range residents and interested civilian employees during its annual fund-raising campaign.

For all kinds of Alterations for men & ladies See **NATHAN'S Men's Wear & Tailors** 205 E. Lonman Las Cruces Lomador Center 523-6450

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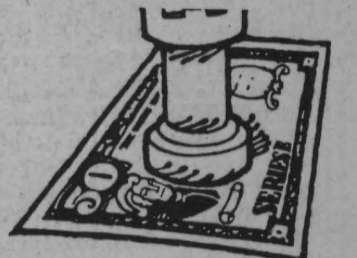
Archery Range
Effective immediately, broadhead hunting arrows will not be used on the Archery Range except as specified in planned tournaments sponsored by Recreation Services. Personnel desiring to use the Archery Range must contact SGT L.E. Taylor, Recreation Services Representative, 678-5605, for orientation and safety instruction prior to use. Persons using broadhead arrows and who have not been instructed in archery safety will be denied use of the range.

Sierra Vista Golf Course
Effective immediately, civilian and contractor personnel employed at WSMR will be authorized to utilize the Recreation Services Golf Course. Tee times must be reserved at all times. Tee times for weekend play will not be accepted prior to 1 p.m. on the Friday preceding the weekend. Tee time priorities are reserved for military personnel and their dependents. Snack bar and driving range privileges are available. However, membership, locker privileges, rental or loaner clubs and purchasing privileges are not extended.

Automotive Craft Shop
Initial appointments for wheel alignment and balancing are taken by phone or in person on Mondays from 7 a.m. to noon. Appointments will also be taken daily during regular operational hours if a space is available. Wheel alignment and balancing cannot be performed on foreign vehicles or on trucks and vans which require bending the axle or beams. Appointments are scheduled eight per week, in advance, as follows: Wednesday, Thursday and Friday

— 1 p.m. and 2 p.m.; Saturday — 9:30 to 10:30 a.m.

Olimb retires
An electronic instrument technician at White Sands Missile Range, Guy W. Olimb of Las Cruces, has retired after 26 years of military and civilian service. Olimb was assigned with the climatic test branch of the Applied Sciences division, Army Missile Test and Evaluation Directorate. His retirement became effective last week.



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NCO Club offers Food Spectacular

By SP4 David Myers
Southern fried chicken, Salisbury steak, spaghetti in wine sauce, stuffed peppers, enchiladas, macaroni and cheese, home fried potatoes, French fries, numerous desserts and more, make up just part of the new Thursday night buffet at the White Sands Non-Commissioned Officers club.

After two successful weeks, the new food spectacular, as some are calling it, offers all you can eat for just \$2.25 adults and \$1.05 for children. Each week will find as many as 10 entrees to choose from, or sample. Pay once, and seconds, thirds, . . . etc., are on the house. Children under eight years of age eat free.

In addition to the above-mentioned foods, from time to time there will be such tempting items as ham-hocks and beans, chicken and dumplings, cornbeef and cabbage, spicy hot beef burritos, pepper steak, Chinese style chicken, and more.

"If you haven't yet tried the buffet," suggests club chef David Myers, "ask someone who has. The food is fantastic, and there is plenty of it."

Congratulations!
Diana Schauer, daughter of Chief Warrant Officer William P. Schauer, finished second in the regional semifinals of the Elks National Hoop Shot Free Throw contest in Houston, Tex. The contest was held March 1, and Miss Schauer competed in the 10-11 group.

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Tina Meyers, right, chairman of International Women's Year at WSMR, and Frances Williams, Federal Women's Program coordinator, look on as Las Cruces Mayor Bob Munson proclaims International Women's Year. Similar proclamations have been signed in Alamogordo, El Paso and Hatch. Goals of International Women's Year are to promote equality for men and women, to insure full participation of women in regional, national and international affairs and to recognize the advantages of women's increasing contribution to the development of voluntary relationships, cooperation and world peace.

How would you like to be this group's insurance agent

The largest group life insurance contract in the United States has been signed by Richard L. Roudebush, Administrator of Veterans Affairs, and Robert A. Beck, president of Prudential Insurance Company. The ceremony took place at the Philadelphia Veterans Administration Center where the VA insurance programs are administered.

Signing of the Servicemen's Group Life Insurance policy contract provides 3.3 million service men and women and veterans with \$65 billion life insurance protection.

The contract makes

Prudential the primary insurer for 2.1 million active-duty service personnel, 910,000 full-time reservists, 50,000 part-time reservists and all veterans separated after April 3, 1970 and retired reservists who desire coverage.

The new contract resulted from Public Law 93-289 (The Insurance Act of 1974) which increased coverage for all active-duty military personnel from \$15,000 to \$20,000. The law also provides \$20,000 full-time coverage for all full-time reservists, including the Army and Air National Guards.

The new law makes available for veterans

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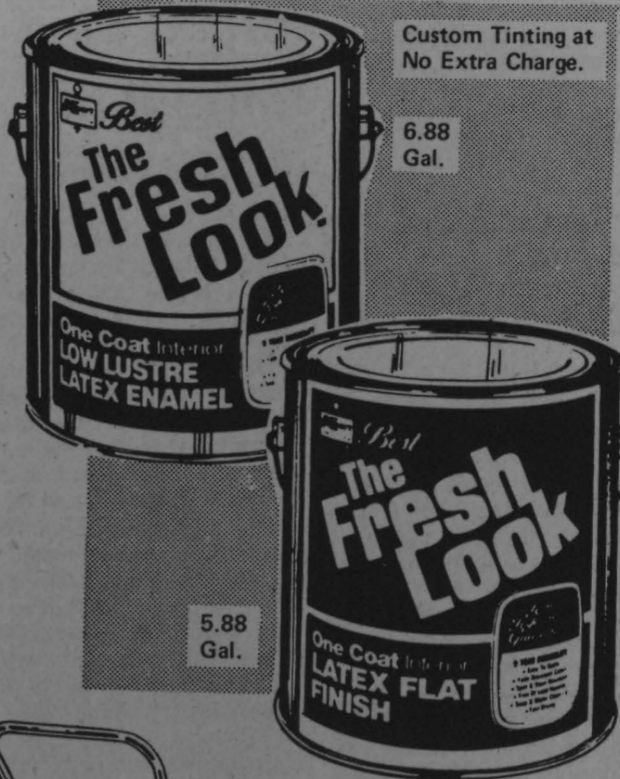
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