



# in Focus

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## JOINT FEDERAL CAMPAIGNS

### NOW UNDERWAY AT CENTER

The annual Federal Service Joint Crusade and Federal Service Campaign, being confined to a joint effort, are now being conducted with Major Leonard Piekarski, Post Engineer, serving as chairman, who has announced the appointment of 34 civilian and military personnel as keyman to insure that all employees are contacted for contributions.

Keymen are: John Marsh, Frank Cianciotto, Eve Mark, Harry Novak, Margaret Power, Alyse Klein, Patrick Mulligan, Barbara Flournoy, Rosalie Levitt, Rupert Lovell, Irving Sirota, SSgt Paul Lowery, Charles Sladen, Lt. David Baseler, Martha Goodman, William Kipp, SFC James Twitty, Gloria Clark, Lt. Fred Smith, MSgt Charles Fisher, SSgt E. E. Stough, SFC O. L. Ferguson, SFC B. Futtrell, SFC W. L. Roeder, Sp-5 Arnold Fisher, Helen Walsh, Betty Augello, Thomas Sheridan, Myrtle Riley, Gertrude Richman, Larry Phipps, Frank Jarush, Bernard Adler and Michael Janosko.

## SENATOR RUSSELL FAVORS PAY RAISE FOR MILITARY

The man considered the most powerful in the Senate on military matters, Sen. Richard Russell, chairman of the Armed Services Committee, has said he favors a military pay raise.

Although saying he didn't favor an across-the-board raise, he thought Congress was going to have to reconsider the question, noting that the governing body voted a pay raise for civilians in 1960 and that such a raise usually brought about an increase for the military.

The Staff of In FOCUS extends its thanks to Robert Von Achen, Animation Branch, for the wonderful job of designing and laying out our new Banner. We believe that it is very impressive, and reflects more of the professional work that is done at APC. It's a fitting way to end our 7th year of publication.

### NOTE FROM 'IN FOCUS' STAFF

Readers may feel justifiably confused about the rank of the Center's Commanding Officer as printed in our columns this month. In photographic captions prepared before January 23, it is Lt Col Randle; however after the promotion date our favorite CO is properly Col Randle. And may we join the remainder of the Post in extending our hearty and sincere congratulations.

## ROBERT B. RANDLE PROMOTED TO FULL COLONEL

### UP, UP, UP

Swinging out into orbit and shooting for the stars (the type worn on the shoulders of a military uniform) might well be the title of this caricature presented to Robert B. Randle, Post Commander, on the occasion of his promotion to Colonel.

The drawing, prepared by SFC (E-7) Yukio Tashiro of Animation Branch, shows Col Randle, followed closely by his wife, Eleanor, and three children, Penny, Bob, and Mike, rising with ease from APC where personnel under his command cheer him on and shout, "Go, go, go!"

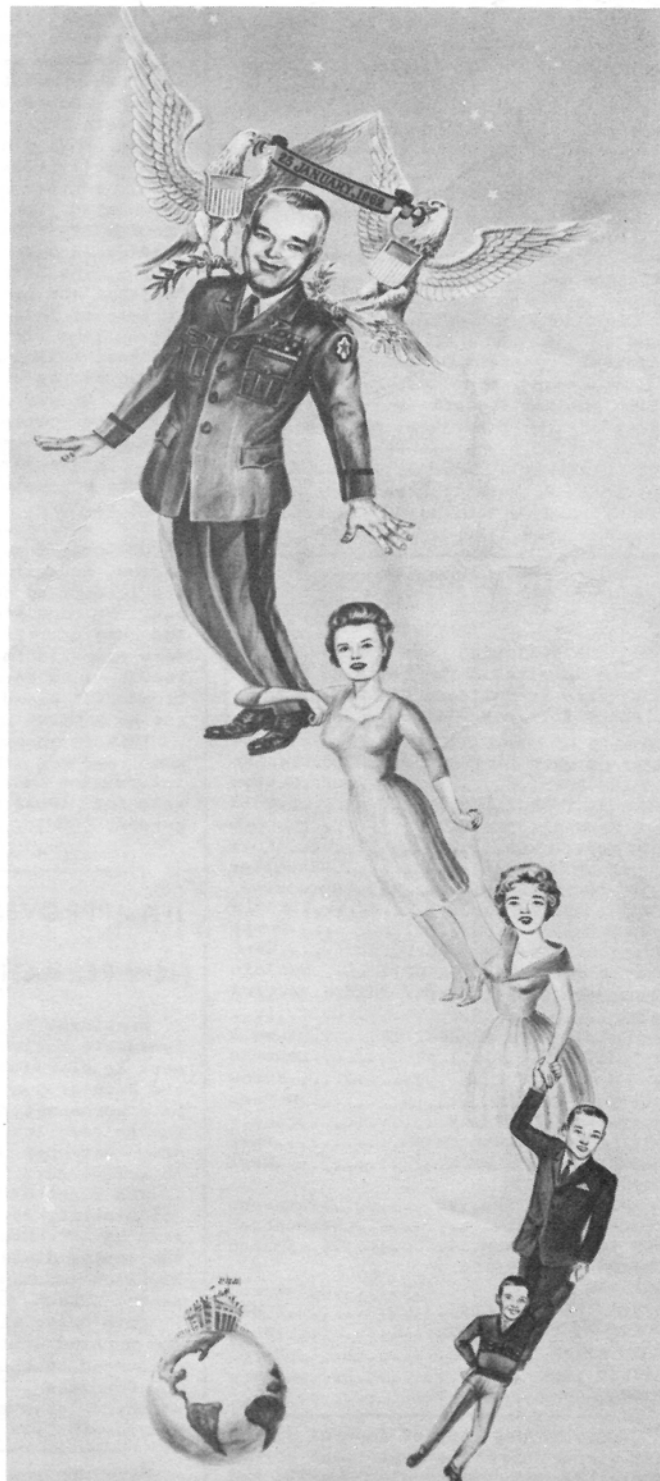
Official notification of his promotion was received by the Command Office on 23 January.

Col Randle enlisted in the Army on 25 November, 1940, and was commissioned a second lieutenant on 30 September 1941.

During World War II he served in the Signal Section, Headquarters U. S. Forces in Europe, and also served later in Korea.

He is a graduate of the Army Command and General Staff College at Ft. Leavenworth and the Advanced Signal Officers Course at Ft. Monmouth. He has also served two tours of duty in the Office of the Chief Signal Officer, the Pentagon.

He was born in Illinois. Col Randle is a graduate of the University of Wisconsin and also has an AM degree from the University of Southern California.



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## NEW BOOKS

The following new books have been received at the Enlisted Men's Library in Building #24 and are now ready for circulation.

DIGESTS OF GREAT AMERICAN PLAYS. Lovell  
BEST OF BEST CARTOONS.....Lariar  
COMING FURY.....Catton  
MIND PARTNER.....Gold  
DAG HAMMARSKJOLD.....Lash  
THE HONYCOCKER.....Lutz  
CURSE OF JEZEBEL.....Slaughter  
LOTS OF LIMERICKS.....Untermeyer  
LITTLE ME.....Dennis  
MOONBEAMS.....Beste  
WITCH OF THE LOW TIDE.....Carr  
WHAT'S GOT YOUR BACK UP?.....Mauldin  
ELECTRONICS IN EVERYDAY THINGS. Vergara  
GREECE.....  
WITCH DOCTOR'S APPRENTICE.....Maxwell  
PT 109.....Donovan  
HI LO COUNTRY.....Evans  
LATTIMER LEGEND.....Hebson  
NORTH FROM THURSDAY.....Cleary  
SHILLS CAN'T CASH CHIPS.....Fair  
DAUGHTER OF SILENCE.....West  
THE GUEVARA ON  
GUERRILLA WARFARE.....Paterson  
PEACE CORPS.....Wingenbach  
BUT NOT IN SHAME.....Toland  
INFORMATION PLEASE  
ALMANAC 1962.....Golenpaul  
FRIDAY NIGHT POKER.....Roddy  
PORTRAIT OF HEMINGWAY.....Ross  
BURN AFTER READING.....Fargo  
SPIRIT LAKE.....Kantor  
PHOTOGRAPHY ANNUAL 1962.....

Today 42 per cent of Federal civilian workers staff the Department of Defense, 24 per cent handle the mail, and 7 per cent serve veterans and their dependents.

## BOOK REVIEW

### BURN AFTER READING

by Ladislav Farago

To those of us whose wartime activities belonged in the conventional category, the antics and reputation of the "cloak and dagger" boys were always a source of mystery and glamor. Now we have a book that details the greatest of the violent, deadly struggles waged between the great intelligence services of the warring powers, written by one of the participants and as reasonably authentic as such a history could be.

Mr. Farago was a member of a "hush-hush" Navy unit, the Special Warfare Branch, who worked in close collaboration with Admiral Zacharias, but he does not confine his account of the subrosa activities to those of his own unit. In this book's dramatic, fully-documented pages are told the absorbing stories of all of the great wartime intelligence agencies, including the Nazi Abwehr, the British MI-5, the Japanese Kempetai and our own OSS and FBI.

Most of these stories are more thrilling than fiction, particularly the Japanese espionage efforts against the United States prior to the Pearl Harbor attack. Of particular interest to Signal Corps personnel is the secret of how the Japanese code was broken by our crypto-analysts and how this great advantage contributed greatly to our final victory.

The author sees a great future in psychological warfare, if properly conducted, and cites examples in the events leading up to the surrender of Japan. He insists that, regardless of the use of the A-bomb, the Japanese were prepared to cease fighting as the result of a barrage of psychological broadcasts aimed directly at the Emperor by Admiral Zacharias.

This is an excellent book for those who read for thrills as well as for information and is particularly valuable for those following a military career. (GBS)

## JFK APPROVES ACTIVATION OF

### NEW PERMANENT DIVISIONS

President Kennedy has approved the immediate activation of two new permanent Regular Army Divisions, increasing the Regular Army from 14 to 16 divisions on a permanent basis. This will permit the release later this year of the two Army National Guard divisions called to active duty last Oct. 15.

The first of the new divisions, the 1st Armored, is scheduled for activation at Ft. Hood, Tex. Activation of the other division, the 5th Infantry Division (Mechanized), will take place at Ft. Carson, Colo.

Both units will be activated under the new Army divisional structure (ROAD) announced by the President in a message to Congress last May 25 in which he stressed greater firepower, mobility and flexibility would be achieved.

Pity the poor minister who bought a used car and then didn't have the vocabulary to run it.

## SAFETY NOTES

by SFC Lewis 'Rocky' Stone

(EDITOR'S NOTE: "Safety Notes" didn't appear in In FOCUS last issue because of the hospitalization of SFC Stone who has since recovered.)

Every one of us pays into some sort of health or sick benefit plan. We pay income taxes, property taxes, amusement taxes-- all sorts of taxes. We all complain to some degree because it means dollars and cents out of our pockets.

There's one thing we can pay and the reward is direct, though it won't cost a thin dime. We will be rewarded in dollars and cents in comfort and in recognition of a job done safely and well--just for paying attention.

Every time we pay attention, it is like putting money into our pocket. It is the easiest form of saving and

There is one woman on any post who can be of the utmost help to the foreman in impressing the importance of safe work habits.

Here she is Mrs. Ruth Branch, post nurse. It is she who soothes and reassures and administers first aid to the sick and injured day after day, and she has a watchful eye on the health and welfare of all personnel, whether they have to visit her or not.

When you have trouble reaching some of your workers, drop her a hint. Advice from her may do more good than you had ever imagined.

insurance ever thought of by any worker. It is painless. It is time saving. It is sure and it is safe.

Inattention is our No. 1 public enemy. Let's pay the cost of attention and collect the dividends we are sure to obtain. Make a pledge with yourself to help stop APC's soaring accident rate. During the period 1 July through 31 October the cost of lost-time accidents have climbed to over \$8,000.

Let's be more attentive from now on and help make the Center a place where you can have painless savings.

## CORRADO ENDS 15-YEARS SERVICE



Rosario Corrado, left, ends 15 years as a guard at the Center during retirement ceremonies in the Command Office. He is congratulated by Lt. Col. Robert B. Randle, Post Commander, as Major Thomas J. Yeldell, Provost Marshal, looks on.

## Personnel Commended In Letters Of Appreciation

The usual influx of letters of appreciation and commendation, though reduced by the more festive activities of the recent holiday season, has by no means stopped entirely. Heading this month's list is a letter from the Director of the Marine Corps Educational Center praising Capt. Robert E. Vaughn, Jr., for his support in a special project for a sister service.

### Conference Participation

Miss Mary O'Connor, chief of the Center's Civilian Personnel Office, received warm appreciation for her participation in the 1961 Annual Signal Corps Civilian Personnel Officers' Conference as a member of the Personnel Management Assistance discussion panel in a letter from the Chief, Civilian Personnel Branch, OCSigO.

Two TV Division members SSgt (E-6) Edmond N. DeLage and Pfc Joseph J. Kaspar, Jr., won the thanks of the Commanding Officer, Ft. Monroe, Va., for their large screen TV demonstrations. Col. Roy F. Zinser, the CO, said their "display of electronic know-how and their military conduct while visiting Ft. Monroe reflects great credit upon themselves and the Army Pictorial Center."

### Work Praised

Production Division personnel shared in the month's praise also, with the following Camera Section men cited for outstanding work: Sp-5 Philip S. Johnson, Sp-4 Joseph K. Saunders and Sp-5 Robin W. Ellis, MSgt (E-7) Thomas E. Seery, recently transferred to the First Infantry Division, Ft. Riley, Kansas, was also included in a series of letters expressing appreciation for their coverage of the AN/USD-5 drone test at the Yuma, Arizona, Test station. "The consistently fine pictorial coverage obtained in adverse weather conditions is evidence of the technical competence in your group," the chief of the Engineering Flight Test Group wrote.

### NEW 1962 SLATE OF OFFICERS

#### ELECTED BY MASONIC CRAFTSMEN

The Masonic Craftsmen have elected a new slate of officers to serve during 1962, headed by Robert Dworsky, Editorial Branch, as president. Other officers include Robert E. Sumpter, Comptroller's Office, vice-president; Capt. Frank H. Hursey, Supply Branch Chief, secretary; and Herman Korman, Sound Branch, treasurer.

### DOGS MAKE THE SCENE: 'MUTT'

#### ADDED TO ARMY'S VOCABULARY

Dogs make the scene one way or another. A new word added to the Army's vocabulary is "MUTT". This is the Military Utility Tactical Truck, scheduled to replace the jeep. While the 2,300 pound vehicle has not received an "official" name yet, the troops will probably honor man's best friend by using the abbreviated title.

## 60 EM SHOT AT CENTER

(WITH NEEDLE)

At the dispensary, located in Bldg. #24, from Monday through Friday, during the next several weeks, 60 enlisted men will receive their usual routine immunization shots. These shots, which are required for Army personnel serving in the United States, are given at certain intervals after completion of the basic series.

The shots required are tetanus and typhoid injections, given every four years, small pox injections, given every three years, and influenza injections, a year apart. The polio shots are given a month, seven months, and a year apart.

An average of 350 people, enlisted and civilian personnel, visit the dispensary every month. The dispensary is staffed with three people, Dr. E. Malcolm Cohen, who is on duty from 0900 to 1300 hours, and corpsman, PFC J.E. Baddum and nurse Ruth Branch, who are on full time duty.

## PEACETIME COLOR BLIND REGULATIONS RELAXED

The United States Army has relaxed regulations barring color blind persons from peacetime military duty. Under former AR 40-501, persons unable to distinguish bright red from bright green were rejected military service. Now severely color blind personnel will be assigned only to military occupational specialties not requiring acute color vision. They will be assigned jobs such as: clerk typist, teletype operator, and medical record clerk. About one per cent of the men tested for military duty reveal severe color blindness.

## VOTING INFORMATION OFFERED

During the month of January, the Department of Defense will distribute a 1962 voting information pamphlet to active duty personnel. The pamphlet, called DOD Pam 5-9A, contains the latest data on registering and voting for Armed Forces members. Where state laws permit, the military may vote in their home state primaries by use of the Federal Post Card Application (form 76). The general elections of 1962 will take place on Nov. 6.

## VIETNAM DUTY TOURS EXTENDED

Vietnam duty tours for Army personnel departing the United States after 30 Nov have been increased to 30 months for those accompanied by dependents and 18 months for those unaccompanied.

For those serving in the area on or before 30 Nov., the tour length remains 27 months for accompanied personnel in Saigon, 24 months with dependents outside Saigon and for all others 17 months in Saigon and 12 months in other Vietnam areas.

The happiest life that ever was led is always to woo and never to wed.

## Three EM Win Prizes In 1st Army Photo Contest



Notification has been received by the Center's Command Office that three EM are winners in the 1961 First U.S. Army Photography Contest. From left, Sp-4 Roger Tuch, Photo Instrumentation, holds a \$50 check, while Sp-4 John Lapak, Message Center, receives two \$25 checks and a certificate from Lt. Col. Robert B. Randle, Post Commander, as Lt. David R. Coates, Troop Commander, watches. Lapak won second prizes in color prints (perspective), color transparency (texture) and third place in color prints (silhouette); Tuch, first place in color transparency (perspective); Sp-4 James C. Higley, Camera Branch, unable to attend the ceremonies, won a \$10 cash prize for his third place entry in color transparency (texture). These prize winning entries will be forwarded to Washington, D. C., to be entered in the All-Army Photography Contest. All winning photos in the contest will be on display at the Center 8-22 April.

## FALLOUT SHELTER SIGN FAMILIAR U. S. SIGHT

As a sign of the times, the National Fallout Shelter Sign will be a familiar sight in communities all over the United States this year. It will be used to mark buildings and other facilities in areas where 50 or more persons can be sheltered from radioactive fallout resulting from a nuclear attack.

The shelter symbol on the sign is a black circle set against a yellow rectangular background. Three yellow triangles inside the circle are arranged in a geometric pattern with the apex of the triangles pointing down. Below the fallout symbol, lettered in yellow against black, are the words Fallout Shelter in plain block letters. Yellow directional arrows are located directly underneath the lettering which will indicate the location of the shelter. The sign has met with psychological requirements as to retention, identification, and arresting color combinations.

## 2-PART 'BIG PICTURE' SERIES

With THE BIG PICTURE's new schedule on WPIX-TV--11:30 p. m. on Sundays---the series will begin a two-part film on "The U. S. Army In Berlin" on 4 February. The picture spotlights the role of the Army in Berlin from VE day, 1945, to the summer of 1961.



# POST HOC. CHRISTMAS IS GONE, BUT THE MEMORY LINGERS ON.

## MANY OF THE OFFICES AT THE ARMY PICTORIAL CENTER WERE GAYLY ADORNED IN THE SPIRIT OF THE SEASON.



In the Operations Control Office, Production Division, Christmas spirit seemed to be the order of the day when Virginia Ambrose (L) and Vera Green (R) were going about the task of putting up their Christmas display.



Mary O'Connor, Chief of Civilian personnel, made a last minute adjustment, gingerly placing that final piece of tinsel upon the tree.



May Cascarella, of the Property Management Section, Supply Office, was about to place a package under the tree in her office as that special day drew near.



"I think I'll place this ball here," decides SFC Michael A. Sak, Mess Sergeant, as he makes a last minute check on the Christmas tree that brightened the Troop Command Mess.



"Hey, look here," exclaimed pretty Pat Courtney, "I'm putting the centerpiece on the tree." Pat Courtney, secretary in Camera Branch, Production Division, had just put the finishing touches on the seasonal display.



A delicious decoration, a Santa Claus made out of an apple and marshmallows, is what Gloria Clark, secretary in Research & Development Films Office, Production Division, placed on the festive Christmas display she had set up.



Altana Watson, secretary to the Chief of Production Division, looks up at the tree atop the filing cabinet. The tree reached almost to the ceiling.



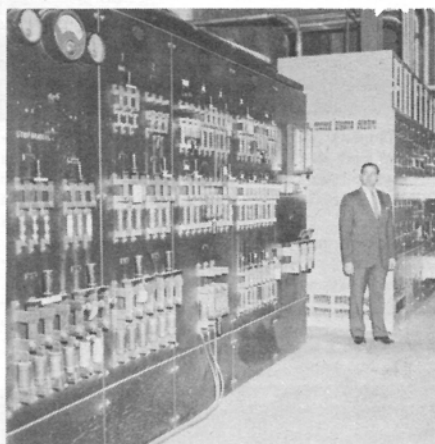
Eleanore A. Mencik, secretary to Lt. Col. Robert B. Randle, Post Commander, showed a Christmas card to Hazel Rothenberg as they decided where they were to put it on the already full tree.



## HISTORY REPEATED WITH ELECTRICAL MODERNIZATION

History of facilities at the Center is being repeated this month with the modernization of electrical outlays.

A new distribution system with mod-



Robert Mann, Jr., in charge of the modernization of the Center's electrical outlays, stands between the old master switchboard installed by his father in 1919 and the new installation now in use in the basement of Building No. 1.

ernmaster switchboards--work involving the replacement of feeders which have reportedly deteriorated due to normal life expectancy, replacement of lighting and power panels which control all lights, receptacles, air conditioners, and other facilities--is being installed by the same company that did the work originally in 1919.

### Original Facilities

In that year E-J Electric Installation Co. of New York installed all original facilities for producing silent pictures in what was then the Famous Players-Lasky Studios (Paramount Art-craft Productions).

Then along came sound motion pictures and the same firm wired Paramount Studios for sound and moved the entire D.C. generating equipment, switchboards and bus feeders to Building No. 2.

Jack R. Mann, now president of the firm, supervised the original work while his son, J. Robert Mann, Jr., is in charge of the present project.

## DEHYDRATED FOODS INTRODUCED

Raw shrimp, tomato vegetable soup with noodles, choice of steak, beef patty or pork chops, topped off with cheddar cheese, make a meal any soldier might relish.

The ingredients weigh but a fraction, take little space, need little or no refrigeration, and can be prepared in record time.

Reason--newest dehydrated foods being introduced in limited quantities for testing in U. S. troop messes by Army Quartermaster Corps under the Army's Simplified Foods Logistics Program.

## Retirement Procedures Told

About one out of every four applicants approved for disability retirement under the Civil Service Retirement Act could obtain the same benefits quicker by applying for optional rather than disability retirement.

A recent review of disability applications by the Civil Service Commission shows that almost 25 per cent of the applicants are 60 years of age with at least 30 years of service or are age 62 with at least 12 years of service. An individual attaining either of these combinations of age and service receives the same annuity, the same health benefits, the same life insurance benefits, and is subject to the same Federal income tax rates whether he retires optionally or for disability. However, by applying for disability retirement he delays his entry on the retirement rolls by at least a month because of the additional time needed for medical examination and medical determination that he meets the disability requirements.

The main reason these employees elect the longer route to retirement stems from their mistaken belief that they receive greater benefits under disability retirement, the Commission said. Employees who are approaching retirement may wish to consult FPM Bulletin No 831-1 at the Civilian Personnel Office for more details.

## CAPT PHILLIPS HONORED BEFORE LEAVING CENTER



Captain Calvin F. Phillips, ex-chief of TV Production Section, Operations Branch who is now attending the Signal Corps Officers Advanced School at Ft. Monmouth, was awarded a Certificate of Achievement prior to leaving the Center this month. Attending ceremonies in the Command Office were, left to right, front row, Captain Edward F. Holland, Chief of TV Division's Operations Branch; Captain Phillips; Lt. Col. Robert B. Randle, Post Commander; Major Merle C. Lewey, Executive Officer of TV Division; back row, Major James A. Harrington, Chief of TV Division's Technical Services Branch; Captain Charles V. Roll, Assistant Executive Officer, TV Division; and Major Hugh C. Oppenheimer, Chief of TV Division.

The Army buys all coffee for the Armed Services - Approximately two million dollars worth every month.

## PVT R. CUTLER GRADUATES

### 3D IN INFORMATION SCHOOL

The telephone rings and a dark haired young soldier picks up the phone and says, "Special Services, Pvt. Cutler speaking, sir." "Yes, there are tickets available for several Broadway shows." And so goes the day for Pvt. Robert Cutler, life long resident of Manhattan,



and newly stationed at the Army Pictorial Center.

Pvt. Cutler comes to the Center from the U.S. Army Information School, Fort Slocum, New York, as a highly recommended information specialist, third in a class of 146 students graduated with a final rating of 93.1. He was cited as to his special aptitudes for news writing and as being exceptionally well qualified in oral communications. Here at the APC, Pvt. Cutler is working in Special Services handling theatre tickets, and is in charge of troop information and current news. A 1961 graduate of Brooklyn College, he majored in accounting.

## REGIONAL OFFICES SUPPLY INDIVIDUAL VA REQUESTS

Information concerning benefits administered by the Veterans Administration may be obtained much more quickly by writing local VA Regional Offices, rather than the VA Central Office, Washington, D.C.

Specific requests for information concerning individual cases cannot be handled in Washington, VA pointed out. These must be supplied by the office where the records, files and case folders pertaining to the individual veteran are maintained.

### Full Information

All records of this type are kept in VA Regional Offices and inquiries about particular problems must be referred to the Regional Office having jurisdiction over the records of the veteran concerned.

When veterans write their Va Regional Office for information, they should include their full name, complete address, birthdate and claim number, if they have one. This will identify the veteran and assist the VA in locating promptly papers and records sometimes needed in supplying answers to queries.

About the only time a woman really succeeds in changing a male is when he's a baby.

# 1962 MARKS MECHANIZATION OF CENTER'S FINANCIAL, ACCOUNTING OPERATIONS

## 8 IBM MACHINES INSTALLED

The beginning of 1962 marked a major change in financial management at the Center with the mechanization of financial and accounting operations.

This change culminates "several years of intermittent effort," according to Deputy Comptroller David L. Casale.

In full operation now are eight IBM machines, one of each type of equipment for electro-mechanical processing, located in Building 6.

### AIF System

Before the conversion to mechanization the years of study resulted in a decision to first effectively install the Army Industrial Fund (AIF) system.

AIF establishes a recognized buyer-seller relationship between industrial and commercial type activities and their customers, resulting in more realistic planning information and greater incentive for efficiency and economy of operations.

With the conversion from a normal appropriation type of financing to AIF in 1957, the Center actually went into business as a corporation within the government with the issuance of a charter and working capital.

### Day-To-Day Records

This change constituted building up costs and establishing fixed charges for various services performed at the Center.

The intricate financial records involve a day-to-day accumulation of costs and keeping a complete running cost record of every department. This means computing 3,000 to 5,000 items of data which are reported daily either directly or indirectly by approximately 1,000 military and civilian personnel.

All personnel by now should be familiar with the IBM cards being used to keep labor and project records. These thin cards feed all types of information to the machines which in turn digest and give back answers which would take the human mind much longer.

Each card has the capability of recording 80 characters of data. Information can be extracted from these cards by the machines for different records in a matter of seconds.

### No Personnel Layoff

First payroll of the new year was computed on these mechanical wonders. The machines took such information as how many hours were worked by an individual, the wage scale, and coming up with an answer, then without any hesitation subtracted the tax rate, retirement contributions, and other figures. Result: your wages for the pay period.

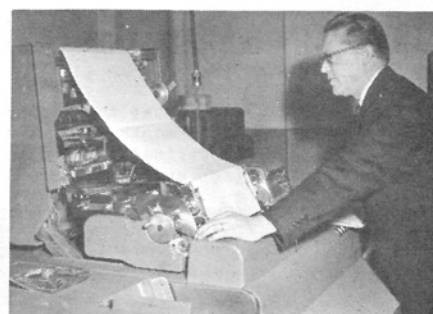
Throughout the nation employees have dreaded the coming of mechanization to business, fearing a decrease in available jobs and layoff of personnel.

Not so at the Center, thanks mainly to close scrutiny by management within the interim of the past year.

It has been estimated that the new system would displace approximately 12 positions. Mr. Casale states, "Due to the overall work load of the Center... the Commanding Officer has found it possible to reassign the majority of people displaced by machine systems. To the best of my knowledge nobody has been separated."



A mass of wires often referred to as the "brains" of IBM data processing machines is inspected by three members of a Mechanization Committee formed one year ago and the IBM office supervisor. They are, left to right, Andrew Tersaga, Peter E. Pedersen, Thomas Lent, and David L. Casale, Deputy Comptroller.



Thomas Lent, supervisor of the mechanized data processing section of the Comptroller's office, reads the answer to a problem solved by the wonder IBM machines. The piece of equipment is one of eight now being used at the Center. A detailed study proved the need for such equipment.

## PERFORMANCE, CASH, 20-YEAR SERVICE AWARDS GIVEN



During ceremonies in the post cafeteria four employees were honored with the presentation of Superior Performance awards accompanied by cash dividends while four others received Outstanding performance awards. They were, left to right, Eleanore A. Mencik, Command Office; Pauline Schwartz, \$100, Civilian Personnel Office; Joseph Levine, Budget and Program Review and Analysis Office; Goldie Chazen, Budget and Program Review and Analysis Office; Lt Col Robert B. Randle, Post Commander, who made the presentation; Mary Monaghan, \$150, Pictorial Engineering and Instrumentation Division; Martha A. Goodman, \$100, Studio Branch, Production Division; Frank C. Barbera, \$200, Finance and Accounting Office; and Edward McCarthy, Animation Branch.



Nine Center civilian employees have been presented 20-year length of service awards during special ceremonies in January. They were, left to right, Max G. Kosarin, Project Officer Staff, Production Division; Albert Brito, Post Engineer Office; Titania Greenchuk, Distribution Branch, Service Division; Irene Rubinroth, Distribution Branch; Lt Col Robert B. Randle, Post Commander; Pearl Y. Schneider, Finance and Accounting Branch; Abraham Skall, Tech Maintenance Branch, Service Division; John Lombardi, Distribution Branch; Louie Aaron, AMPD Branch, Service Division. Not present, but also winning an award, was Gustave Matzko, Tech Maintenance Branch.

## TOWN HALL TO FEATURE MILANO'S COMPOSITION

PFC Robert L. Milano at age 25 will realize a fact which many musical composers only dream of throughout a lifetime.

PFC Milano, the Center's composer of musical scores for films, will be in attendance the first day of June



Pfc Robert L. Milano

when his religious score for chorus and organ will be performed by the Charles Pope Choristers at Town Hall in Manhattan.

Little did he realize when he met Charles Pope that the conductor would not only offer to perform his "Three Sacred Prayers", but give the composition a premiere in the dignified setting of Town Hall.

### Major Works

A native of Brooklyn and graduate of the Manhattan School of Music with a Bachelor of Music degree in composition, Milano has long been interested in creating the beauty of music for others to enjoy. Among his earlier honors was the winning of an honorable mention position in the New York Philharmonic Composition Contest at 17.

His works to date include four operas, six major orchestral pieces, and a number of chamber music compositions. His works have been performed at least three times annually for the past seven years.

Most recent performance for one of his piano compositions was by his wife in December at the Donnell Library Auditorium in Manhattan.

Since induction into the Army Milano has constantly worked with music one way or the other. During basic training at Ft. Dix he was leader of a 12-piece recruit marching band which played for any occasion from reveille to ceremonial concerts.

### Wrote Manuals

After basic he was assigned to the faculty of U. S. Naval School of Music in Washington, D. C., as a theory instructor. While there he wrote a course of study for the advanced class of Army students; wrote a rhythmic dictation manual consisting of textbook and long-play recordings; was instrumental in

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## '61 PASSES IN REVIEW

"In Focus" looks to the year past, for what was news yesterday is history today, in recalling some of the events calendared during the year of 1961 at APC. As the new year begins, "In Focus", entering its eighth year of publication, looks forward to another eventful and interesting year at the Center, which will celebrate its 20th anniversary in March.

From December of '60 to December of '61, the months passed quickly and the highlights were recorded for the interested eyes of all APC personnel. During this month, Sp-4 Ronald Castro and SFC Joseph Hirn captured top places in the All-Army Photo Contest held at Fort Jay. Also at this time, "Parlez vous Francais", seemed to be the question asked by the officers as they entered their newly redecorated club. Redone in a French motif, the setting included a stone fireplace, new bar, bright canopies, and new sound system.

### Winter Passes

January saw a combined crew from Television Field Operations, including 5 officers and 29 enlisted men, travel to Washington to give television coverage to the Presidential Inaugural Parade.

The winter months passed quickly and soon it was to the outdoors as spring and summer sports came into "focus", literally and figuratively. In May, for the first time at the Center, a Commanders Trophy was presented to two APC personnel. Winner for the military was Sp-5 Benny Perkins, Motor Transportation Office, and for an APC civilian, the winner was John Pagano, Studio-Grip Foreman.

In July, APC released a film for military orientation, entitled "The Challenge of Ideas", which received wide publicity from various official and unofficial reviews. The picture utilized the talents of many well known personalities, such as John Wayne, Helen Hayes, Edward R. Murrow, Lowell Thomas, and Hanson Baldwin.

July also saw the tennis team, composed of Sp-4 Lawrence Tepper, Sp-5 Prince Cooper, Sp-4 Ernest Dun, and Pvt Gifford Cummings place seventh in a field of 17 teams entered in the First Army Tennis Championships.

### Months To Come

In August, a newly formed color guard, consisting of SFC J. Twitty, SSgt C. Greene, PFC J. Senatore, and PFC H. Coulthard performed at APC military ceremonies; 2d Lt. David R. Coates Jr. succeeded Capt. George D. Bailey as Troop Commander; and Pictorial Engineering

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the revision of two volumes of the Navy's textbooks; and revived and revised the theory screening tests for Army students.

While stationed in Washington, Milano's "Essay No. Four" for strings and flutes was performed by an American University ensemble at the American Symposium of Contemporary Music.

Here at the Center PFC Milano is composing music needed in the sound editing library of music; including scores for 24 main titles; 12 training pieces and six main and end titles for "The Big Picture."

## LENSE CAP

BY clarence 'SCOOP' greene

A few weeks ago, Special Services sent out a plea for boxers. After waiting a week, no one showed. Then someone mentioned having a "Twist-Party." When everyone was assembled in the Conference Room, it was announced that no one would be able to leave until some boxers were found. When the stampede had subsided Sp-4 Don McElroy and Pfc James De St Aubin were tied and presented to the Special Services NCO, and were told that they would carry APC's colors into the squared circle at the First Army Boxing tournament scheduled to be held at Ft. Dix, Feb 12-16.

Pictured below is a scene from one of the daily workout periods that leave us only to think the men are mixing a



(Photo by Sp-5 Ronald Partain)

little "twist" into their schedule. Not so, Pvt Richard Fabian, In FOCUS reporter, is conducting a running interview with De St Aubin (center) and McElroy. De St Aubin will not make it to the tournament because of TDY commitments.

SFC (E-7) Frank Thomas, who was quite a fighter in his day, will be coaching the sub-novice, McElroy, for the middle-weight class.

When speaking to SSgt Charles Lemon, captain of the "Tee Vees," about bowling, he will only tell you that they are sure to take over first place from the league leading "Chowhounds." As we go to press, they trail by only 4½ points.

If the "Tee Vees" could only get Eleanor Mencik to transfer to their team they might do it next week. She came up with a high score of 214 and a handicap of 44. Hope she tries out for the softball team next season.

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and Instrumentation became a division on the APC's organization chart.

With fall on its way and winter soon around the corner, the softball season came to a close with the post team defeating the Old-Timers 28-18. Then winter and the holiday season were here, and changes were found to be taking place in the basement of Troop Command. The NCO Open Mess was being redecorated in gold and red, with wallpaper of gold on beige, a new and larger bar, and a new sound system.

Now with '61 past and '62 before us, the staff of "In Focus" looks forward to the days and months to come with one important change in the present style of the paper. The innovation is a new banner designed by Robert Von Achen, Animation Branch.



Legal Advice Available**ASSISTANCE OFFICERS HELP YOU AVOID FINANCIAL PROBLEMS**

Legal Assistance Officers point out that members of the Armed Forces and their dependents can avoid financial problems and legal controversies by obtaining advice from an attorney and then following it.

Lawyers will agree, they say, that it is far easier to advise you how to stay out of trouble than it is to get you out of trouble.

**Willing To Help**

All Legal Assistance Officers in the Armed Forces are graduates of an accredited law school and have been admitted to practice before the highest court in at least one of the 50 states.

One of their regular duties is to provide you with legal assistance.

This may include, but is not limited to, verbal legal advice or preparation of legal documents such as wills, general and special power of attorney, bills of sale and affidavits.

They are ready and willing to advise you against unnecessary involvement in many legal matters that plague individuals and families from time to time.

**Points To Remember**

If you will remember the following points, chances are you will not suffer as the result of inexperience in legal matters.

\* Ask your Legal Assistance Officer for advice before you act. (For example, before you sign a document by which you incur some financial responsibility ask for a full explanation of its contents.)

\* Talk to your Legal Assistance Officer or your civilian attorney in person.

\* Take all pertinent letters and documents with you.

\* Give your Legal Assistance Officer or civilian attorney your complete confidence. Tell him the facts, those in your favor and those not in your favor.

**VALENZIO GAME IN SKIING**

Vibo Valenzio, left, displays the courage and gameness for which he is noted as an ace APC cameraman by learning to water-ski on one ski during his recent Florida vacation. His instructor, right, was amazed at Vibo's agility despite his wartime handicap.

**SECRETARY STAHR FILM RELEASED**

The Army Information Program...a 10 minute film presentation by Secretary of the Army Elvis J. Stahr, jr., MF 20-9664, was released to Film and Equipment Exchanges on December 1. The film emphasizes internal and external objectives of the information program and the role of the individual soldier in assuring success.

**Simulated Atomic Aftermath Filmed By Center Crews**

Preparing to shoot the aftermath of an atomic attack, camera crews and actors from the Center take their places for one of ten "Leadership and Combat" movies filmed at the U. S. Military Academy's Camp Buckner. The complete series of 27 TRAINLEAD films deals with combat and non-combat situations in which military leaders may find themselves. The film presents the leadership problem to the audience and allows viewers to solve it. The Infantry School at Ft. Benning, Ga., provided combat situations for these films.

**PARTY HIGHLIGHTED  
BY PRIZES, PRESENTATION**

One of the highlights of the annual Christmas party held last month was the drawing for three lucky winners of cash door prizes. Marie Kelly, second from left, of Supply Office, accepts her prize from Lt Col Robert B. Randle, Post Commander. Looking on are Pat Cour-



tney, Camera Branch, and Amos Savage, Printing and Publications. Other prize winners were Dermid Maclean, Production Division, and Maj Thomas J. Yeldell, Provost Marshal.

Lt. John J. Lagana was presented a certificate of achievement by Lt. Col. Robert B. Randle, Post Commander, prior to his leaving the Center where he was Animation Photo Officer and Chief of the Animation Branch, with additional duty as Assistant Signal Supply Officer. Below, Lt Lagana receives from Col Randle a caricature of himself re-



ndered by SFC Yukio Tashiro, Animation Branch. Signature of the officer's co-workers appeared on the drawing.

**"TURRET HEAD" CROFT**

What happens to a Signal Corps motion picture cameraman who has had too many years of service? Why, it goes to his head, that's what. Graphic example is Army veteran SFC Lucius D. Croft, Camera Branch. Here he is covering the boarding of troops at Brooklyn Army Terminal pier, enroute to Europe to bolster our military defenses. This photo captured the fancy of newspaper editors throughout the Army's widespread posts.