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DMA Outstanding Personnel of Year Award to Heaston at CTS



Lewis N. Heaston (left) of the Cartographic Technical Squadron is shown with DMA Deputy Director, Maj. Gen. Hilding L. Jacobson, shortly after his receipt of the DMA Outstanding Personnel of the Year Award. Heaston was honored for his exceptional leadership, craftsmanship and management ability as senior photographic supervisor at the CTS. The award was presented during the General's visit to the Squadron on December 4th.

FE and AD Take Top Suggestion Awards

Special Achievement Awards for the Suggestion Program participation were presented at the Director's Staff Meeting December 17th. Facilities Engineering received a plaque for the administrative support activity with the greatest number of adopted suggestions per capita. They had a total of 15. Aero-

Bicentennial Celebration Planned For Arsenal

The Old St. Louis Arsenal, now the site of DMAAC, will be dedicated as a National Historic Site in bicentennial ceremonies planned for May 15th of this year, according to an announcement made recently by the Center Bicentennial Committee Chairman, Colonel Robert Burns.

The ceremonies will center around the unveiling of a special dedication plaque donated to the Aerospace Center by four of the technical and professional societies associated with DMAAC. The societies included the American Society of Photogrammetry, the American Congress on Surveying and Mapping, the Institute of Navigation and the American Geophysical Union.

Plans currently being formulated include an open house as part of the May 15th celebration. A survey form was recently provided to all Center employees in St. Louis to determine approximate number of persons desiring to attend an open house.

Program events anticipated during the bicentennial celebration include the DMAAC Carolers, Junior ROTC Drill team, Civil War or period drill teams, marching bands, etc.

Dignitaries from the State of Missouri, Department of Defense, and Department of Interior will be invited.

As ceremony plans become finalized, personnel will be kept advised through the *Orienteor* and Administrative Bulletin.



NATIONAL HISTORIC PLACE

A FORMER U.S. ARSENAL ESTABLISHED IN 1827.
IT IS ONE OF THE OLDEST MILITARY RESERVATIONS
IN CONTINUOUS USE WEST OF THE MISSISSIPPI
AND HAS PLAYED MANY ROLES IN OUR NATIONAL
ENDEAVOR FOR PEACE.



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Veterans Benefits Available

Veterans' Benefits Available From Government Agencies

While the Veterans Administration (VA) is the primary Federal agency serving former members of the Nation's Armed Forces, a number of veterans' benefits and services are available from other Government sources, according to VA officials.

The list includes:

*FHA home mortgage insurance up to a maximum of \$45,000. A minimum cash investment is required: 10 per cent of the dwelling's value between \$25,000 and \$35,000, and 15 per cent of the value above \$35,000. The maximum interest rate is 9 per cent plus a mortgage insurance premium of 1/2 to 1 per cent.

*A Government guarantee of the premiums and interest due on eligible commercial life insurance policies not exceeding \$10,000 in any individual case for two years after discharge.

*Unlimited commissary and post exchange privileges for honorably discharged veterans with 100 per cent service-connected disability, their dependents, and unmarried widows.

*Supervised credit and management advice and loans for housing in rural areas or in towns of up to 10,000 population may be obtained from the Agriculture Department's farmers home administration.

*Preference in Federal civil service employment, including

points added to passing scores in competitive examinations, waivers of physical requirements, restriction of certain jobs to veterans, preference for retention in case of reductions in force, and similar advantageous procedures for veterans, their unmarried widows, and mothers of deceased veterans.

*Preference in referral to training programs in private or public schools and for on-the-job training.

*Small Business Administration assistance, including loan guarantees and management assistance designed to encourage veterans in owning and operating a variety of small businesses.

*Social Security credits toward monthly retirement, disability, and survivors benefits are available to qualified veterans and their families.

Veterans or their dependents should check with the nearest VA office concerning their eligibility for non-VA benefits and assistance in applying for them.

They had a total of 15. Aeronautical Information Department received the award for the greatest number of adopted suggestions per capita among the technical activities. They had 28.

Individual certificates were awarded for the administrative support activity and the technical activity whose suggestions resulted in the greatest annual savings. The Directorate of Logistics, with an average savings of \$6.42, received the award in the administrative area. Missile Support Department, with an average of \$124.51, received the award in the technical area.

Honors In Speech

Miss Laura Tolpen, 17 year old daughter of Dave Tolpen, ADDN-1, and a Junior at Parkway North Senior High School, recently participated as a novice in Original Oratory at the 15th Annual Little Egypt Speech Tournament, sponsored by the SIU at Carbondale, Illinois.

After three rounds of spirited competition which resulted in the elimination of over 100 senior entrants, Laura emerged as one of the eight finalists.

Her theme was, "Inspirational Speech on American Freedom."

The plaque pictured above was designed for the societies by Don Fizer to graphically represent the St. Louis Arsenal in its "days of glory." The art work uses the background of the Union flag bordered on the corners with the blossom and leaves of the Missouri tree, the Flowering Dogwood. Within the design are three buildings - on the left the Finance building (No. 12), the Paint Shop building located in K parking lot is depicted on the right and in the middle is an old barracks building which has been razed. Since the Arsenal was primarily involved with the manufacture and storage of ammunition, ordnance and supply for the Union during the Civil War, the Union soldier is shown with ordnance insignia on cap and sleeve.

Album of Heritage Music Released

An album of heritage military music entitled "Broad Stripes and Bright Stars" has been released for commercial sale as part of the Armed Forces musical contribution to the Nation's Bicentennial celebration.

This album is a two-record stereo program of marching songs, anthems, sea chanteys and patriotic works. The U.S. Navy Band and Sea Chanters, the U.S. Marine Band, and the U.S. Air Force Band and Singing Sergeants are featured performers.

Service songs are included in the collection of music that has been historically important to Americans from the Revolutionary era to the present. Other selections include "The World Turned Upside Down," "Dixie," "The Battle Cry of Freedom," "The Battle Hymn

of the Republic," and Sousa's "The Stars and Stripes Forever." The program, some 77 minutes, on four sides of two 12-inch discs, concludes with "America the Beautiful."

The album includes a colorful insert, a highly-visual graphic portrayal of the spirit and artistry of military music. Jacket notes reveal the significance of the selections. Pictures of the performing bands and their leaders are used on the dust sleeves, along with a history of each of the bands.

The four "premier" service bands with their choral groups and soloists each perform selections representative of the periods of military music ranging from fifes and drums to Gershwin's contemporary "Strike Up the Band."



During March more than 12,000 male employees took part in the Lipid Research Cholesterol Testing program.



February 3rd the Aerospace Center switched over from the indicia mailing system to postage metering.

1975 In



Nine surveyors from GSS were awarded medals for their performance during an arduous four months in the wilds of Canada and Alaska.





April brought about a change in the DMAAC Flight Information Office, Hawaii. It became the DMA Depot Hawaii.



Word was received in March, during the big snow storm, that the St. Louis Arsenal had been placed on the National Register of Historic Places.

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Change of Command ceremonies in August brought Col. James St. Clair to the helm as Col. Donald Hawkins retired to Springfield, Mo.



July marked the first Joint Soviet-U.S. space venture as the Center produced charts for the Apollo-Soyuz mission.





Combined Federal Campaign hits all time high during October with over \$80,000 collected.



Deputy Secretary of Defense William P. Clements, honored the Center with a visit during October.



The Last Simulator Plate was produced at CTS during November. The squadron's deactivation was announced during April.



Old Newsboys Day in November brought more than \$1,000 to the children's fund.



A distinguished visitor in December was Congressman Bill Burlison of Missouri's 10th District.



I Have a Dream . . .

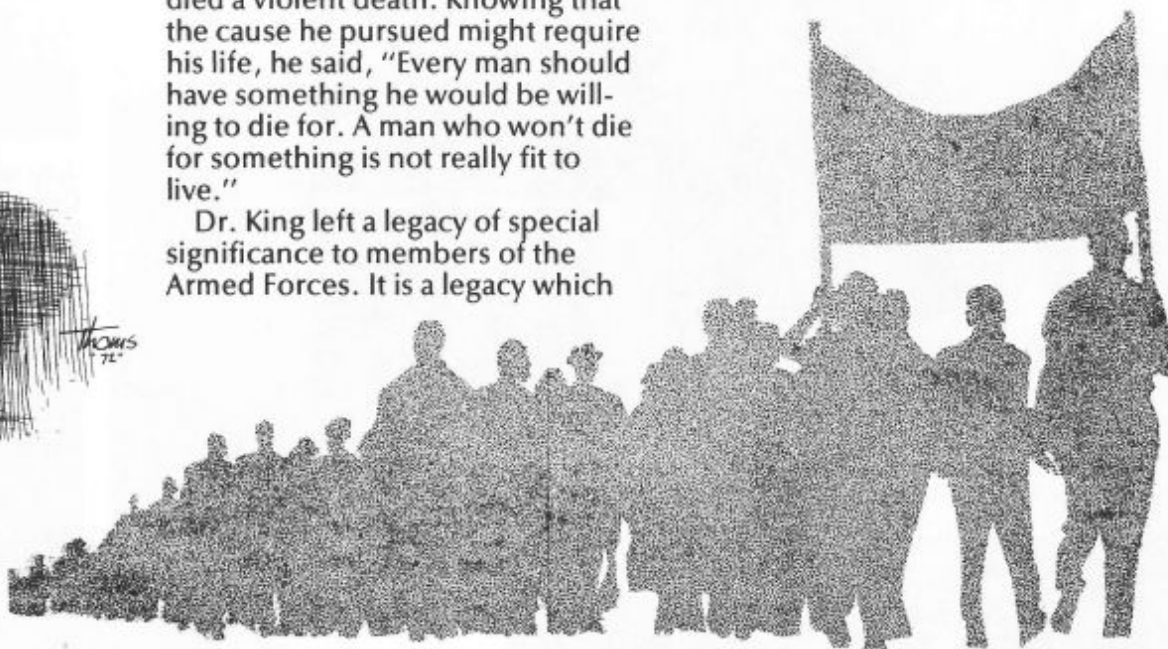
"I say to you today, my friends, even though we face the difficulties of today and tomorrow, I shall have a dream. It is a dream deeply rooted in the American dream. I have a dream that one day this Nation will rise up, live out the true meaning of it's creed: 'We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal'."

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., the dreamer, is dead; but not his dream. It lives on in the hopes of all who seek a world of peace, fraternity, love and justice. He received the Nobel Prize for Peace, but his life was far from peaceful; he practiced and preached non-violence, but he died a violent death. Knowing that the cause he pursued might require his life, he said, "Every man should have something he would be willing to die for. A man who won't die for something is not really fit to live."

Dr. King left a legacy of special significance to members of the Armed Forces. It is a legacy which

gives added substance to the oath Service members affirm and the ideals for which it stands. In the fight against injustice and intolerance, he died in battle knowing that he might; he died to make his dream — the American dream — a reality.

On January 15, the day of his birth, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., is paid special tribute by our Nation. He wanted more than mere equality of rights. He wanted to generate a sense of pride and dignity in black Americans, and to plant the seeds of mutual trust in all Americans. For this goal he lived, and in this accomplishment he shall live on.



Carolers Offer Musical Salute



RETIREMENTS

October thru December

Drexler, Robert A. ADDN

MAC Observes Birthday

The Military Airlift Command (MAC) observed its tenth anniversary on New Year's Day. personnel and cargo on scheduled flights.

Ten years ago on Jan. 1, the command acquired its present However, with various crises developing throughout the world, the need quickly arose



DMAAC Carolers under the direction of Gene Knight toured the Center Christmas eve to provide employees with a musical send off during the holidays. The carolers have become a tradition at the Aerospace Center, performing during the holidays and on other special occasions.

New Book For Tomas

Henry J. Tomas, RDSL, has recently had a book published entitled *The Lithuanian Seashore*. The book is a nostalgic memory of life in Lithuania in the pre-Hitler and pre-war days.

Tomas is a translator with the Center.

Contest Winner

Donald Fizer, CDG, has been informed that his selection and composition of type face was a winner in the Cardinal Glennon Memorial Hospital logo contest.

The new logo will feature another winning design along with Fizer's composition and type face.

Drexler, Robert A.	ADDN
Gibbs, M. Howard	ADDE
Gillen, Edward J.	CDCA
Harrison, Ira R.	LO
Jacobs, Sherman H. Jr.	PDD
Lozano, George A.	CD
McCormick, Willard J.	SOPB
Ryan, Patricia A.	ADL
Smith, Robert E.	CDCM
Stewart, Francis W.	FEMM
Williams, Albert Jr.	LOTV

Olympian Honored In Hometown

Helen Stephens, DMAAC's resident Olympic Gold Medal winner, will be honored next Thursday in her hometown of Fulton, Mo. during the annual Kingdom of Callaway Chamber of Commerce dinner.

The event will honor those Fulton athletes who have excelled in their individual sports.

Athletes invited in addition to Helen were Tony Galbreath, Charles James & Bake McBride.

command acquired its present name and was placed on a par with other major United States Air Force combat elements.

MAC's predecessor, the Military Air Transport Service (MATS) was activated on June 1, 1948 when the Navy and Air Force air transport systems were consolidated into one non-combatant transport organization. MATS' mission at that time was basically that of a commercial airline: transporting

world, the need quickly arose for fast-reacting, highly mobile forces able to deter, contain or terminate conflicts posing a threat to the United States. The development of modern jet airlift aircraft gave MATS the ability to position these forces when and where they are needed.

This increased capability was one of the reasons that the designation Military Airlift Command was more appropriate than Military Air Transport Service.

In Sympathy

Word has been received of the death of James Comfort who retired from the Center in March 1972.

He was killed December 17 when struck by his own truck while bird watching in the

August A. Busch Wildlife area near Weldon Spring.

Memorial services were held December 20 at the Ethical Society.

He is survived by his wife and two daughters.

Minor Explosion In Boiler Room Injures Three

A minor explosion in the Building 36 Boiler Room December 31 shortly before quitting time sent three men to Lutheran Hospital. Two, David Young and Wrase Gilleylen, were treated and released. The third, Richard Nuernberger, was hospitalized with second degree burns of the abdomen.

Complete information on the

extent of injuries or the cause of the explosion were not available at Orientor deadline on the 31st.

Apparently the explosion was inside the boiler with injuries resulting from the explosion flashback.

An investigation of the incident is being made by FE.