

Life Insurance Rate Reduced for Civilians

Rates will be reduced for regular life insurance offered to federal civilian employees and to employees of the District of Columbia government and the postal service, under the Federal Employees' Group Life Insurance Act of 1954.

The Civil Service Commission also announced a reduction in the rates for the additional optional insurance which has been available since February 1968 to those participating in the regular insurance plan. The new rates will become effective with the first pay period beginning after Aug. 31, 1978.

The present biweekly rate of 53.25 cents per \$1,000 of insurance is being reduced to 38.25 cents, reducing the employee cost from 35.5 cents to 25.5 cents and the agency contribution from 17.75 cents to 12.75 cents.

In addition, \$10,000 of optional insurance coverage is also available to those participating in the regular plan under a schedule of age-adjusted rates on an employee-pay-all basis. Optional insurance rates will be reduced as follows:

Age Group	Present Biweekly Rates per \$10,000	New Rate
Under 35	\$.80	\$.60
35 to 39	1.20	1.00
40 to 44	1.90	1.70
45 to 49	2.90	2.40
50 to 54	4.50	3.50
55 to 59	10.50	7.50
60 and over	14.00	9.00

Employee's Wife & UFO Too Close for Comfort

Unidentified flying object reports during the latter part of July near Union, Missouri are keeping police and special investigative teams busy. Most of the reports stem from unexplained activity the night of July 27.

The first report came from Mrs. Clara Winscher, wife of Kenny Winscher of the Aerospace Center.

Since the incident local investigators from the St. Louis UFO chapter have spent hours in the area and at the Winscher home trying to piece the data together. "The local investigator," reports Winscher, "said it looked as if they were trying to pick up the car but the bridge superstructure prevented it."

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Brown Takes Top Prizes In ODS Heraldic Contest

Arthur "Bud" Brown of the Aerospace Center took two top prizes in the DMA Office of Distribution Services Heraldic suggestion contest, according to recent announcements from the ODS Implementation Group.

Brown also shared a third category with four others including co-worker Joseph France, Jr. of the Aeronautical Information Department.

Brown was awarded \$100 for his entry in the organizational newsletter masthead design which was selected as the winner with slight modifications. He was also awarded \$100 for his proposed entry in the organizational seal category. "Although Hq DMA did not accept either your design nor the one proposed by the ODS-IG for the organizational seal," read the

announcement letter, "the entry you submitted came closest to the design proposed by the ODS-IG. Therefore, you are being awarded a prize for your entry."

The third category in which Brown was declared a winner was the name for the organizational newsletter. Five entries suggested either Distributor or Distributer and therefore the \$100 award was equally divided between suggestors as the dictionary indicates either spelling is correct," said the suggestion committee. As a result Brown and Joseph France, Jr. both received \$20.

The name selected for the newsletter was Distributor.

Announcements of the winners was made by Col. Raymond Goelze, chairman of the Implementation Group.



EMRB Makes 13 & 14 Moves

The Aerospace Center Executive Manpower Resources Board recently announced a series of personnel moves affecting some 13's and 14's within the organization.

In the GS-14 category the following reassignments were announced: Jim Nelson to GD, David Caldwell to ACP, Richard Batisto to ACA, William Miller to

Junior Achievement Workers Praised

Individuals who have served as advisors to the Aerospace Center's

materials, advise achievers on efficient procedures and safety.

Winscher of the Aerospace Center. According to the police report she said the back end of her 1974 Mercury Comet was lifted off the ground for a few seconds as she drove along Highway 50 at the eastern edge of Union.

"A UFO with a brilliant light rode over the top of her vehicle. She heard a crash toward the rear of the car, and the rear end lifted off the ground for a few seconds," read Union Police Chief Don Fowler.

Several other sightings were reported in the same area and others around Ft. Leonard Wood and Springfield, Mo.

prevented it. According to Mrs. Winscher, she had no control of her vehicle and couldn't turn it or stop.

A Union police officer and a Franklin County deputy sheriff examined the car and found two indentations on its trunk lid. Both men concluded the dents did not result from an accident.

Activity at the Winscher house has not been limited to investigators. Media representatives from local newspapers and television stations as well as the National Enquirer and Star from the East coast.

Centerite in Middle of World's Largest Bike Ride

How would you like to be in the middle of 8000 bike riders massed in the middle of downtown St. Louis at 2:00 in the morning?

If you look closely the man in the middle of all the spokes, legs, and wheels will be Norbert Pink of the Center's Geopositional Department.

Norbert has the responsibility of organizing the 17th consecutive running of the Moonlight Ramble, the unique dark-of-the-night bicycle ride sponsored by the Ozark Area Council of American Youth Hostels, Inc.

The ride, noted by the Guinness Book of Records as the largest nighttime bicycle ride in the world, will be held August 27th beginning at two in the morning on Market Street, just north of Busch Stadium.

The ramble Leader, has added some new twists to the outing this year that he hopes will add pleasure for the participants as well as funds for the American

Youth Hostel. "In addition to food and soft drinks, we'll have special Moonlight Ramble T-shirts and patches for sale," declared Pink.

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advisors to the Aerospace Center's Junior Achievement companies drew special praise from the Coordinating Advisor in remarks to the Orientor recently.

"The Junior Achievement companies sponsored by DMAAC this year suffered from the vagaries of the economy and the weather. However, the advisors and the many achievers considered the JA year successful for the rewarding experience of participation," said Jesse Jones.

The 1976-77 advisor team included production advisors, administrative advisors and marketing advisors.

Production advisors select the starting products, procure

efficient procedures and safety. This year these individuals were: Alfred Gilbert, SDC; Gross Marcus, GDC; Robert Myers, SDC; Livingston Sykes, SDC.

The administrative advisors train the executive officers in the performance of their duties, instruct achievers in proper record keeping and reporting procedures. These included: Ms. Linda Brown, GDM; William Brown, DMA; Ms. Beverly Jamerison, SDDD; Warren Mathews, GDM.

Marketing policies and strategies, offer suggestions concerning packaging and pricing and teach the art of salesmanship. These included: Joe Goines, Jr., GDM; Mrs. Janice Goodwin, SDC; Mrs. Ruby Harris, SDC; Mrs. Clara Alexander, SDC.

There were also supporting organizations and individuals that help make the year successful. These included: Mrs. Beverly Barsch, PPIPS; Billy Robinson, ACT; Curtis Triggs, GDL. This included the reproduction and bulk mailing assistance of Administration; the design and production of numerous artistic and graphic products by Graphic Design; typesetting and printing of ACCB, PDP and ADB; Supply assistance from LOSMSB; publicity from PA, and typing assistance from Ms. Mary Linebarger and Ms. Vicki Melton.

Special certificate presentations will be made to the advisors during the month of August in recognition of their many hours of off-duty time spent with the Junior Achievement Program.

Batisto to ACA, William Miller to PPCA, McKinley Stephens to PPGG, Rogers Robinson to ACI, Clifford Terry to PPGD, and Leroy Kuykendall to STA.

Movement of GS-13's included: Richard Laverty to ACPB, Jerry Sundberg to PRP, Harold Hopper to ACIP, George Collins to ACID, Edward Bronczyk to PPCA, Gene Knight to STT, Arvin Mueller to ACAP, Kennard Whitfield to ACCC, and Norman Doering to ACAB.

The actions were taken to place those individuals returning from various schools and to provide developmental assignments.

Jackson Named To AFSC

Mikel Jackson, PRRS, left the first of the month for Armed Forces Staff College after receiving last minute notice of his selection. Jackson had been nominated previously by the Center and was one of DMA's alternate candidates.

Jackson came to the Aerospace Center in 1966. He served in the Army from 1967 to 1969 when he returned to the Center.

He has been assigned to the Geopositional Department and Plans and Requirements Directorate.

Safe Driving Awards For Three in PD

Three members of the Printing and Distribution Department were recently awarded Safe Driving Awards. The three, Richard Gaines, Charles Roberts and L.T. Chandler, received awards for 13, 10 and 6 years of safe driving respectively.

The award for Gaines was based on a combination of operating a 1 1/2 ton stake truck from 1965 through 1977 and a forklift since 1977.

Roberts' and Chandler's awards were based on forklift operation.

Flex-X-xitime

Will 4-Day Week Become a Reality?

The House of Representatives has passed legislation that would hasten the 4-day, 40-hour workweek and increase use of flexitime, on an experimental basis, in Federal agencies and departments.

Pending endorsement by the Senate, experiments would go into effect one year after passage.

In flexitime, an employee can vary his time of arrival and departure within morning and evening flexible periods established by management.

For example, an employee might be permitted to arrive between 6 and 9 a.m. and depart between 3 and 6 p.m.

In addition, an agency may establish a flexible lunch from a half hour to two hours, so long as the employee averages two 40-hour weeks for the pay period.

The legislation would waive the mandatory overtime-after-8-hours day and would require the Civil Service Commission to conduct a limited number of experiments with both flexitime and compressed workweeks to

determine the effects on a number of factors including government operations, public service, and employees.

The test period would run three years. At present, 33,000 Federal employees have varying degrees of flexitime, but are not allowed to work longer hours on some days in order to leave earlier on others, or work a regular 3- or 4-day workweek. Employees are required under present experiments to work an 8-hour day every workday.

Expected benefits accruing from flexitime would be:

- Better public service because agencies could lengthen their operating hours.
- Less traffic congestion and greater use of public transportation.
- Reduced short-term absences and tardiness.
- Improved morale and productivity.
- Conserved energy by decreasing the number of trips an employee makes to and from work.

Bits And Pieces

From the Black book:

The next two Saturdays are special days according to Presidential proclamation. Tomorrow is National Aviation Day and next Saturday is Federal Women's Day. It would appear that the Aerospace Center can rightfully offer a toast to both days.

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In case you haven't noticed, there is now a three-way stop at Arsenal and 2nd Streets, just outside the Northwest gate. The stops are east and west bound on Arsenal and north bound on 2nd Street. The south bound 2nd Street entrance is from a parking lot and is controlled by private gates. We say, "in case you haven't noticed," because the east bound sign on Arsenal is located right behind the railroad crossing sign. Of course, there is also a stop for those departing the Northwest gate from the Aerospace Center before they enter the intersection. What's going to be fun is trying to figure out which car stopped first, the west bound Arsenal driver (blocked by the wall) or the west bound Aerospace Center driver inside the wall. Since they can't see each other I suppose they'll make the determination in the middle of the intersection.

dlb..

Recent Carto Grads



Graduates of Class 78-I, Cartographic Training school are: First Row (left to right), Carolyn Huml, DePauw University; Ella Brown, Southern Illinois University, Carbondale; Deborah Flory, Wright State University; Jane Messenger, Arizona State University; Shauna Miles, University of West Florida; Susan McConnell, Florida State University. Second Row (left to right), Charles Wilkins, Southern Illinois University, Edwardsville; Richard MacGregor, University of Kansas; Daniel Ahern, University of Missouri, Columbia; Gary Szatkowski, Parks College of St. Louis University; Barry Heady, Parks College of St. Louis University; Stephen Peterson, East Central University of Oklahoma; Gary Duncan, Southwestern Missouri State.

Military Leave Accounting

Changes Sept. 1

New leave accounting criteria takes effect Sept. 1 for members who depart on or return from leave on weekends and holidays.

Air Force personnel officials said people departing their local

officials said the change is partly the result of misunderstanding of the proper methods of charging leave, and partly because of a general reluctance to charge for periods normally considered off-duty days.

Promotions

The following people received promotions during the month of July: Donald A. Agne, GS-11; Tyrus F. Arnold, GS-11; Carolyn L. Baehr, GS-12; Linda D. Bagley, GS-4; Kenneth M. Bastholm, GS-11; Roberta M. Beers, GS-7; Helen J. Brown, GS-5; Robert J. Coambes, GS-12; Mary A. Coons, GS-4; Charles P. Daily, GS-11; Laurie J. Daniels, GS-5; Roe R. Davenport, Jr., GS-13; Barbara L. Day, GS-11; Theodore G. Deckert, GS-5; Edward E. de La Pena, GS-14; James P. Donahue, Jr., GS-11; Marshall B. Faintich, GS-14; Harold E. Gatlin, GS-11; Ruth Giedeman, GS-4; Alfred G. Gilbert, GS-12; Donald A. Gorris, GS-11; Jimmie C. Gray, GS-11; Richard S. Hallowell, GS-11; Jack H. Harris, GS-15; Orville J. Heim, GS-13; Marcelee S. Jackson, GS-7; William R. Kienbusch, Jr., GS-11; Donald J. Lippold, GS-11; Birdie P. Manley, GS-5; Debra L. Mays, GS-7; Charles W. McIntyre, GS-4; Robert L. Reinhardt, GS-11; Jerone Reynolds, GS-11; Dennis J. Shannon, GS-11; Richard A. Vierling, GS-14; Eugene I. Vogt, GS-12; Danny R. Wilson, GS-11; Michael J. Zimbleman, GS-11; Dean A. Zimmerman, WP-22.

-Military Promotion-

Announcement was made of selection for promotion to the grade of Major of Captain Dennis K. Finch.

said people departing their local duty area on regular nonduty days will not be charged for leave for that day. When return from leave is on a nonduty day, that day will count as chargeable leave.

If an individual departs the area on Sunday and returns the following Saturday, for example, the first day of chargeable leave is Monday and the last day is Saturday, regardless of the hours of departure and return.

Leave accounting for people departing and returning on duty days will be basically unchanged.

A person who works at least three-fourths of a duty day and subsequently departs the area that evening will not be charged leave for that day. If less than three-fourths the duty day is worked, leave will be charged. The same leave accounting criteria will apply for people returning from leave on a duty day.

For example, an Air Force member who departs on Friday (with his supervisor's permission) after working six hours of a regular eight-hour duty day and returns in time to work six hours of an eight-hour duty day the following Friday will be charged for leave Saturday through Thursday.

Until Sept. 1, the policy remains to charge leave for nonduty day departures and returns unless the member's supervisor determined the member was available for duty in the local area on those days.

Leave accounting procedures are being changed because some Air Force members are not being properly charged for leave. Of-

released to charge for periods normally considered off-duty days.

The most common problems have occurred when military people take leave in conjunction with a weekend or holiday and fail to report the nonduty days they were out of the local area. These days must be charged as part of the leave period.

The leave request/authorization form, Air Force Form 988, will be revised at the next scheduled printing to include an explanation of the new leave policy and procedures on its reverse side.

Some of the current forms might still be in use after the Sept. 1 implementation date. Air Force officials caution members and supervisors not to be misled by the policy statement applying to previous leave accounting procedures.

In Sympathy

Glennon J. Bopp, PD retiree, dies on July 29, 1978. He retired from the Aerospace Center on June 30, 1974 with 33 1/2 years total Federal service. He came to the Center in April 1952 as a cost accounting clerk and was assigned as a production controller at the time of his retirement.

Services were held on August 2 in Cahokia, IL, with interment at National Cemetery.

He is survived by his wife Martha, two daughters, a son and four grandchildren.



Word Power

TEST YOUR WORD power by choosing the answer that best defines each of the words given below. A score of 15-16 indicates an Excellent vocabulary, 12-14 is Good and 10 or more is Fair.

Courtesy QUALITY CROSSWORD PUZZLES, Copyright 1977, Quine Publishing Co., Inc.

1. CLANDESTINE: a.) secret b.) portentous c.) insane
2. DEXTEROUS: a.) matching b.) skillful c.) capable
3. GAUCHE: a.) awkward b.) innocent c.) modern
4. PACHYDERM: a.) embryo b.) elephant c.) suitcase
5. PHILOLOGY: a.) study of linguistics b.) study of bones c.) study of ideas
6. CONDONE: a.) condemn b.) forgive c.) slander
7. MILITANT: a.) aggressive b.) academic c.) lazy
8. PLACID: a.) braided b.) calm c.) flexible
9. LOQUACIOUS: a.) gracious b.) courageous c.) talkative
10. CONVIVIAL: a.) alive b.) talented c.) friendly
11. PENURY: a.) altruism b.) poverty c.) wealth
12. FASTIDIOUS: a.) fussy b.) quick c.) tiresome
13. THESPIAN: a.) alien b.) actor c.) bacteria
14. REPOSE: a.) melancholy b.) ease c.) anger
15. RETENTION: a.) remembrance b.) reselling c.) detaining
16. MALEDICTION: a.) oratory b.) hymn c.) curse

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Three Celebrate 30 During Summer

WILLIAM E. BENNER, PDP, reached the 30 year mark on July 14. He served in the U.S. Navy for 28 months in 1944 to 1947. He was a Signalman 2d Class assigned to the Armed Guard with duty in the Atlantic and Pacific areas.

He came to the Chart Plant in November 1950 and was assigned to the Reproduction Division as a process platemaker and in May 1951 was reassigned as a litho photographer. He was also assigned to the Photogrammetry Division, Missile Support Division and in October 1971 to the Cartography Division as a photolithographic Branch Chief.

With the reorganization in October 1976 he was reassigned to Printing and Distribution Department as chief, Techniques Office and in May 1978 became Chief, Production Management Office.

WAYNE L. DYE, GDLA, reached the 30 year mark on July 28. He was drafted into the military from his freshman year at Southern Illinois University in May 1946. He returned after 18 months of military service which included a year in Japan and visits to

Saipan, Tinian, Guam, Iwo Jima, the Aleutians, and other South Pacific areas.

He resumed his Federal service in 1949 at the Army Finance Center in Class "E" allotments. He then worked at the Post Office for 18



Benner



Dye



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months before transferring to the Aerospace Center on May 2, 1951. He spent three years in Photogrammetry Division, three years in the Cartography Division then transferred to the Scientific Branch of Missile Support Division. Since 1964 he has been in the Topography Branch.

KENNETH L. SHERERTZ, PPGG, will reach the 30 year mark on August 22. Except for two months at the Post Office, all of his Federal service has been at the Aerospace center.

He spent approximately 13 years

in the Cartography Division, three years in Missile Support Division, six years in the Directorate of Operations and a year in the Security Office. For the past seven years he has been assigned to the Programs, Production and Operations Directorate as a program manager.

Mantinband Takes 2nd In Contest

Joel Mantinband, son of William Mantinband of the Aerospace Center, recently placed second in the Intermediate Hebrew Division of the National Bible Contest Finals held in New York.

He is the first St. Louisan to achieve a winning position in the finals nationally in the 19 years of the contest.

158 out of 159, which will entitle him and seven winners from the various divisions to participate in the International Finals to be held next year in Israel.

Another Mantinband offspring, daughter Golda, recently participated in the High School Jazz Band conclave held at Northeast Missouri State University,

Recent Retirements

JOHN D. DAWSON's, GDDAB, disability retirement was effected on July 10. He had 15 years, 7 months total Federal service and had been at the Aerospace Center the past 10 years, 10 months as a cartographer.

JULIUS E. KAHRE's, ACANC, discontinued service retirement

July Honor Roll

35 YEARS

William J. Kristen, Jr., Garrison Fitzpatrick, Paul G. Carlson, Jr.

30 YEARS

Herman A. Williams, William J. Enk, Arthur Strawn, Elizabeth B.R. Ecker, William E. Benner, Karl Heinemann, Henry W. Lee, Jr., Erwin Jackson, Joseph H. Tokraks, Wayne L. Dye, Carl E. Massot.

25 YEARS

Ronald J. Pierce, Ernest Miller, Jr., Jack W. Sampson, Kenneth A. Bien, George A. Reed, Warren C. Brown, John L. Sciez, Julian F. Arntz, Jr., Mary Ann Ellis, Cletus C. Zumalt.

20 YEARS

Mae O. Cotton, Charles E. Hollyfield, Patricia C. Riley, Marion C. Moehrle, Jack R. Willett, Jimmie K. Capelton, Robert M. Carter, Roger S. Davis, James A. Tyrer, Raymond R. Roach, William H. Snare.

15 YEARS

Thomas E. Doll, Ritchie R. Julian, Doyle O. Bailey, Joseph A. Pfeiffer, Merle S. McRevey, Joel C. Frazer, Michael J. Nolan, Jr., Anthony J. Caiazzo.

10 YEARS

Helen A. Brown, Thomas B. Fles, David A. Niemann, Ronald W. Maret, John W. Johnson, Leon C. Smith.

OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE RATING

Robert M. Carter, Nathaniel Henley, Juanita M. Hopper, John V. O'Reilly, Philip Rahall, Grace H. Riechmann, J.C. Wright.

OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE RATING/ QUALITY SALARY INCREASE

Harold C. Barnhart, Carol A. Gaffney, Jo Ann T. Hemple, William G. Hemple, Brenda L. Jediska, Sondra K. Johnson, Gayle A. Kenniston, Louis A. Luchini, Melvin J. Nelson, Stuart E. Popp, Janie B. Powell, Charles Weiss.

OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE RATING/ SUSTAINED SUPERIOR PERFORMANCE

Susan J. Carter, Nancy H. Hemme, Irvin E. Rogers.

QUALITY SALARY INCREASE

Richard H. Duncan, Eugene V. Gamble, Jr., Donald L. Gargac.

SUSTAINED SUPERIOR PERFORMANCE

Shirley A. Anderson, Richard M. Ballentine, Victor A. Behrman, Jerry M. Crump, Richard Dedham, Paul J. Fitzgerald, Colleen F. Flood, George T. Gielow, David L. Gladden, Steve J. Hrabovsky, Patricia A. Ketzner, Christine L. Lieder, Vincent Love, Tony A. Napoli, Edward C. Roberts, Harold R. Schlesinger, James L. Smith, Jesse B. Snulligan, James E.

Women's Club Celebrates 25th

The DMAAC Women's Club will celebrate its 25th anniversary with a special tea September 14 in Affton.

The tea will be held in the Oakland House, 7801 Genesta at Heege Road from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m.

All current and past members are urged to attend.

Anyone desiring to join the organization is invited also.

For reservations call Marguerite Moore, 842-3348, by September 6. The cost is \$3.00 per person.

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JULIUS E. KAHRRE's, ACANC, discontinued service retirement was effected on July 14. He was an engraver (verifier) and had spent his 27½ years total Federal service at the Aerospace Center.

HAROLD L. SIMPSON's SSA, discontinued service retirement was effected on July 14, with 32 years, 10 months total Federal service. He was a supervisory catographic technician and had spent 24 years, 2 months at the Aerospace Center.

CONSTANCE A. GELDMACHER, CMFS, retired effective July 15. Her total Federal service of 16 years, 2 months was at the Aerospace Center. She was an accounting technician in the Finance and Accounting Division.

MARIANE L. CAVIN's ACK, disability retirement was effected on July 28, with 9 1/2 years total Federal service. She was a purchasing agent at the Kansas City Office.

MSgt Robinson

New Degree Holder

Master Sergeant Jim Robinson, of the Supply Division, recently received his BA degree in Business Management from Tarkio-St. Louis.

The sergeant was honored August 5th in a commencement program held locally.

A total of 93 area students completed their under-graduate requirements in St. Louis during the past school year, according to officials of the school.

Love, Tony A. Napoli, Edward C. Roberts, Harold R. Schlesinger, James L. Smith, Jesse B. Snulligan, James E. Swize, James F. Wynn, Russell P. Ziegler.

SUGGESTION AWARDS

Charles W. Arns, \$565.00; James A. Kelly, \$120.00; George A. Seymour, \$65.00; Roger M. Carbone, \$50.00/\$25.00; John I. Snipes, Jr., Robert N. Sundbakken, William B. Wertin, \$33.34 each; Mary Ann Ellis, \$25.00; Betty R. Eyerman, \$25.00; Ruth B. Hogan, \$25.00; Catherine Pulley, William Wilke, \$12.50 each; Donald P. Hammer, Jack Harmon, Elmer D. Lanigan.

July Patrolman

Philip Martin, SOP, has been selected as Security Policeman for the month of July.

Although employed by DMAAC a short while, he has been singled out as a very friendly, courteous and conscientious employee. His interest in high caliber performance resulted in his selection as Security Policeman for the month of July, according to Security Police officials.

Martin served in the Army from September 16, 1974 to September 15, 1977 and joined the Center September 30.



ANSWERS

WORD POWER

- 1—a. 2—b. 3—a. 4—b. 5—a.
6—b. 7—a. 8—b. 9—c. 10—c.
11—b. 12—a. 13—b. 14—b.
15—a. 16—c.

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Fifth Women's Equality Day

Women's Equality Day, set by public law in 1974, is observed on August 26, the 58th anniversary of the Constitutional amendment giving women the right to vote. Ratification of the 19th Amendment on August 26, 1920, marked a long-sought victory for women's suffrage.

One of the most militant advocates of equal suffrage for women was Susan B. Anthony. In 1873 she insisted on voting at an election in Rochester, N.Y., and was subsequently arrested, tried and convicted. On June 18 of that year she was sentenced to pay a fine for her violation of the voting law—but she never did.

The organized campaign for women's suffrage in the United States began in 1848, but gained little momentum, except in the wild and woolly West. The Territory of

Wyoming passed the first law giving the vote to women in 1869. It was to be another 24 years before Colorado enacted a similar law in 1893, followed by most of the other Western States.

Little headway was made in the Eastern States, however. On the national level, it was not until 1920 that the 19th Amendment to the Constitution was passed, guaranteeing that the right of United States citizens to vote "shall not be denied or abridged by the Federal Government or any State on account of sex."

This was the culmination of the struggle of the American women's suffrage movement but only the beginning of the fight. The late Dr. Alice Paul drafted the Equal Rights Amendment in 1923, and had it introduced in Congress for 49 consecutive years until

it was passed on March 22, 1972, and sent to the States for ratification.

The amendment is still several States shy of being made part of the Constitution, but as President Carter said last year, "Equal rights for women are an inseparable part of human rights for all."

If the new amendment is not ratified by the required number of States by March 1979, its chances of becoming a part of the Constitution are slim.

As the women's suffrage movement proves, legislative endorsement of women's rights can take a long time. President Carter recently pointed out, "The successes of the past were dearly bought and this final effort will not be easy. Achievement of this goal is essential in

order to secure meaningful equality for all our citizens."

American women will continue to demand and get their just rights in one of the few great democracies of the world. If they did not, they would be betraying a trust that began more than a century ago with the women's suffrage struggle, of which suffrage reformer Carrie Chapman Catt noted: "Hundreds of women gave the accumulated possibilities of an entire lifetime, thousands gave years of their lives, hundreds of thousands gave constant interest and aid as they could. It was a continuous seemingly endless chain of activity. Young suffragists who helped forge the last links of that chain were not born when it began. Old suffragists who forged the first links were dead when it ended."

In the tradition of such dedication, today's women continue the fight for equal rights. The Presidential Proclamation declaring observance of Women's Equality Day notes that on-going actions to insure women's equality also benefit men: "As women achieve equality, men, too, are liberated from ancient prejudices and relieved of arbitrary barriers to personal fulfillment."

Thus, the underlying significance of Women's Equality Day is not for women only. As the Presidential Proclamation further points out: "The needs, hopes and problems of a complex society demand the talents, imagination and dedication of all its citizens without regard to sex."

Don't Kill the Umpire-- He Belongs to Us

by David L. Black

The next time you get the urge to "kill the umpire" look closely, he may be one of your co-workers. This is especially true if the game is softball. For it is softball that has lured Gerald Schuld from behind a

"I've umpired in all kinds of weather and under a variety of conditions," he related. "In early spring we've played with heavy snow flurries. There have been times when the fields were so

ception. Umpiring is an art which must be learned over a period of many painful years."

What's the hardest task for an umpire? Calling balls and strikes, says Schuld. "There is so much



ured Gerald Schuld from behind a desk at the Aerospace Center to behind the plate of local diamonds.

How did a mild mannered cartographer get involved with such a crazy occupation? "Luck," says Schuld, "I was managing a DMAAC softball team and we were playing at Jefferson Barracks and no umpire showed up. I umpired to just get the game played and I've been doing it ever since." Ever since is eight years.

"Being an umpire is much like being a policeman and a minister all in one," philosophized the man-in-blue. "He enforces the rules and penalizes the abusers. He counsels the affected and chastises the unruly. He gives guidance when asked and ignores those who know better. He needs eyes and ears to enforce the rules of the game and blinders and earplugs when required."

Jerry, as a member of the U.S. Slowpitch Softball Association, attends two or three umpiring clinics a year and is rated on the job by the umpire-in-chief for the St. Louis area. He has had the honor of working two national slowpitch tournaments for the association.

As a director for USSA he is also responsible for organizing three tournaments each year, two of which are qualifying tourneys for the national finals.

During each season he will average 12 to 15 games per week as he calls both men's and women's slowpitch.

times when the fields were so muddy you couldn't see the bases and we've even had the tornado sirens wailing."

What about problems?

"You always have more in the beginning when you react to situations as you learn. After you've done umpiring for a while you learn to anticipate the



On a hot day even the ump deserves a break. Schuld works between 12 to 15 games a week in his umpire duties.

problems and head them off." He did admit that there have been times when the players and the umpire haven't seen a play in exactly the same way. But as Jerry put it, "No sport would be worth watching or playing without officiating and softball is no ex-

says Schuld. There is so much room for interpretation. Calling a strike on a batter really hurts his pride and if you call him out on strikes it shatters his ego. Then you have the ingredients for a confrontation."

What about embarrassing moments? "Oh, you have some. In fact, I just saw one of the pros pull a good one the other night in the Cardinals game. And it's one that is easy to do and the most embarrassing for me—that's calling the player out in a loud voice while giving the hands down safe sign."

Oh, well, I guess they're human after all.



Strikeeee! Indicates Gerald Schuld of the Scientific Data Department as he umpires a recent slow-pitch softball game. Schuld is a member of the U.S. Slowpitch Softball Assn. umpire group who work games in the St. Louis County area.

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As the cyclists make their way through the St. Louis streets the police will be on duty with traffic control and members of the ramble committee will be around with the ever present "sag" vehicles for those in need of minor repairs or first aid.

The ride is designed as a recreational excursion and has an average time of three hours.

The dollar registration covers ride preparation expense, accident insurance for the rider, tickets, publicity expense, etc. The surplus from the ride is used for AYH council operations.

The logo design for this year's Ramble was done by the husband of one of the Center employees, Chris Everding of the Scientific

Data Department. Robert Everding, who does freelance work in graphic arts, incorporated the bicycle with a contemporary rider into the word moonlight to provide added significance to the posters.

For those interested in riding the astronomers tell us that the Moonlight Ramble may be a little short on moonlight as the Earth's nearest neighbor will just be rising as the riders are finishing. But where Mother Nature falls short mercury vapor will take over.

"For the riders enjoyment a new course has been selected this year, and features two loops, the regular one of about 20 miles and a shorter version of about 10 miles."

He, along with his group of volunteers, have been working for

the past several months to make the Ramble the best in the 17 year history.

Registration for the event is one dollar and information on registration or other aspects of the ride can be obtained from the AYH council office, 644-3560. Membership in AYH is not required for the ride.

Last year the Ramble attracted riders from as much as 2000 miles away and this year should be no exception. "Last year we had about 6000 riders in all," said Pink, "and I think we can plan on 8000 for this ride." That's quite an improvement over the first ride, called the Midnight Ramble, when the Ramble originator, Dick Leary, rode alone.