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Change of Command January 6



Col. Marcus J. Boyle

Outgoing Director



Lon M. Smith

Incoming Director

For the first time in 165 years the St. Louis Arsenal facility will be commanded by a civilian instead of a military officer. That result will occur Jan. 6 when the command of the DMA Aerospace Center on this site changes from Air Force Colonel Marcus J. Boyle to Lon M. Smith. The transfer is scheduled to take place in the newly rebuilt 2nd Street dining hall. Due to limited seating, attendance quotas have been assigned to departments and staff offices. Everyone attending should be seated by 9:50 a.m.

The ceremony will be officiated by the Director of DMA, Air Force Major General William K. James. The announcer for the ceremony will be Air Force Colonel George P. Milne, DMAAC Deputy Director. Air Force Master Sergeant William Beam, Chief of Military Personnel, will assist in the ceremony. A color guard will be provided by Scott Air Force Base.

Colonel Boyle is scheduled to depart the Aerospace Center for assignment to DMA in the Washington, D.C., area.

Although the first civilian director, Smith will be the 11th person to serve in the position. The change to civilian directors of the DMA production components was announced by General James last summer as a move to expand career opportunities for personnel in the senior executive service and benefit the Agency. Paul L. Peeler Jr. subsequently became director of the DMA Reston Center in Reston, Va., Oct. 1 and William N. Hogan assumed command of the DMA Hydrographic/Topographic Center in Brookmont, Md., Nov. 16.

Smith comes to DMAAC from his position in Washington as Director of the DMA Systems Center. Both DMAAC Director and DMASC Director are SES-5 positions.

After the change of command, all employees are invited to bid Colonel and Mrs. Boyle farewell and welcome Lon Smith and his wife Rebecca at a

DMAAC Supports Relief Operation in Somalia

As the United Nations was meeting and the Pentagon planning for Operation RESTORE HOPE, many DMAAC employees were meeting a new challenge not seen or heard about before. The challenge started with a call from Headquarters DMA on 23 November 1992 to reprint five charts in the area of interest, Northern Africa, and then 22 additional charts were reprinted by dedicated employees in GA. A total of 250,000 copies were printed and shipped in 12 days to assist in the gigantic planning efforts by the Army, Marines and Air Force.

On 25 November 1992, the call came in from USCENTCOM through DMA, to begin 24-hour a day operations to update and print 15,000 copies of 35 Somali 1:100,000 maps by the 15th of December. Our production team beat the due date by one day. SD, DP, GA, GG and MC personnel performed

in an outstanding fashion, working together, and producing a quality product for our military personnel in the theater of operations. Then on 7 December, our Team DMAAC was tasked with 32 additional sheets and these were also shipped prior to the due date.

The bulk of the DMAAC effort centered around updating 67 native maps, which were originally produced by the Russians. DMAAC professionals used the new Map Publishing Environment and exploited new software and techniques to produce updated maps in a crisis mode.

To further support the Somali relief effort, DMAAC processed, reproduced, and distributed 18 LANDSAT scenes covering southern Somalia. This data was generated to support the terrain analysis effort. DMA employees from DMAAC(SOC), DMAAC

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Talking Point

Farewell

From Col.
Marcus J.
Boyle, Director,
DMA Aerospace Center



The New Year marks another transition at the Aerospace Center. Next Wednesday I pass the colors on to your new director, Lon Smith.

The passing of the colors that day is more than a symbol. Outwardly the ceremony will resemble previous changes of command held on the historic Arsenal grounds. But this one is unique. For the first time in 165 years a civilian will take the reins of this facility.

It is just one more symbol of the evolution this agency has gone through since the service's military mapping organizations were joined over two decades ago. DMA is changing like the rest of the world.

So much has gone on during the last 3 1/2 years. The Cold War is over, the Warsaw Pact has dissolved, the Soviet Union has passed into history.

Yet despite these historic events the world remains a dangerous place. All threats have not been eliminated; territorial disputes, ethnic rivalries, religious hatred still exist--the seeds of conflict remain.

Looking back over my time at the helm of the Aerospace Center there have been many, many high points.

At the top of the list was your performance during Operation Desert Storm. By any measure it was the greatest challenge ever faced by this organization in its history. You, the men and women of the Aerospace Center and DMA St. Louis, were just outstanding.

It was not just the quality of your work but your spirit. And that spirit was evident at every turn, as with such things as the Combined Federal Campaign. Every year, despite reorganizations, RIFs, even threats of furloughs, there was record giving.

It's that spirit that will assure that DMA St. Louis' success in meeting the challenges on the road ahead. And there are many.

Today it is Somalia, tomorrow it will be some other hot spot; but you will be up to the challenge.

There is also the challenge of new technology. The digital production system is now here, in production. While much work remains in exploiting its potential, you will succeed.

We have come far these past three years. Despite a radically different security environment, we have stayed focused, supporting our military forces in both war and peace and doing the things to remain responsive and flexible for the future.

As I leave, the Aerospace Center has the quality leadership, vision, facilities, technology, customer focus, and spirit to excel. The credit is yours.

This has been an incredible assignment for me, and a privilege to work with such talent as Team DMA St. Louis. Lorie and I also want to thank you for many, many kindnesses. You've made this tour our best, one we will always remember.

I know when the change of command rolls around in January, it will be with some reluctance I turn over the reins to Lon Smith. It's just hard to leave such a fine group of professionals. You've been terrific. Thanks so much ●

...Operation RESTORE HOPE

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(MCF), DMAAC(GAF), DMARC(AOD), and DMASC(WGE) worked as a team around the clock to ensure that the users needs were satisfied as quickly as possible with quality products. Over 630 data tapes were generated containing terrain analysis information. To date, this is the only information available to the users in the field to perform terrain analysis.

The relief effort also required other cartographic products to support the vast relief efforts. The crisis production team, in conjunction with DMAHTC and their Louisville Field Office, updated the 1:250,000 series Joint Operations Graphics (JOGs) to support ground operations from the

air. Since the JOG charts are a follow-on to the 1:100,000 scale maps, significant time savings were achieved by incorporating those updates right on the Map Publishing Environment.

The Center set up a crisis team for this project, chaired by PP personnel, but made up of points of contact in all working areas. Daily briefings to the Command Staff were given, and the Director came in on weekends to ensure progress was maintained. Team efforts were conceived to expedite the products to the field users. DMAAC and DMAHTC personnel used DataBeam conference calling to prepare a joint plan, ensure matches, and share ideas: TQM at work at the lowest level of the organization.

This project was similar to our aid project for Bangladesh, but bigger in scope. Team DMAAC has learned the lessons of flexibility and preparation through the years and we now stand ready, as our forces stand ready, to meet the challenges of the "new world order" with quality on-time products.

--Gerald Schuld, Chief
Charting Branch (PPCC)

Somalia Carto DTED Support

The Defense Mapping Agency (DMA) was tasked to support Project RESTORE HOPE by developing 22 cartographically reduced Digital Terrain Elevation Data (DTED) cells over Somalia. This project was assigned to the Digital Products Dept. (DP), Aerospace Center, on 30 November 1992. These DTED cells were

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Clarence Harmon To Speak at DMAAC Program Honoring Dr. King

"And when we allow freedom to ring from every village and every hamlet, from every state and every city, we will be able to speed up that day when all of God's children, black men and white men, Jews and Gentiles, Protestants and Catholics, will be able to join hands and sing, 'Free at last! Free at last! Thank God Almighty, we are free at last!'"

--Dr. Martin Luther King.

The observance of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s holiday will be remembered with various activities sponsored by the black employment program committee. This year's theme is: "Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., 30 Years After the Dream."

Clarence Harmon, chief of the St. Louis Police Department, will be guest speaker at a memorial breakfast which will be held at the 8900 So. Broadway cafeteria from 7:30 to 8:30 a.m. on 20 January 1993.

In addition, the black employment program committee is planning an essay contest for children of employees in grades 1 through 8.

An exhibit will be displayed at both 3200 So. Second St., in the main hallway, and 8900 So. Broadway, in the hallway near the training school.

We encourage each employee to join in the observance of these activities in a spirit of unity in educating for racial equality and in promoting the philosophy of non-violent social change that Dr. King advocated. -E.O. Office ■



Farewell Dinner

St. Louis Soccer Park in Fenton was the scene of a farewell dinner for Col.

Marcus Boyle on the evening of December 14.

Above, Graphic Arts Department Chief Clint Walker and other well-wishers bid farewell to Col. and Mrs. Boyle. At right, Col. Boyle receives a ceremonial gavel and certificate from DMA

Associate General Counsel Howard Bishop, making him an honorary attorney.



Selections To Attend Federal Executive Institute Announced

Major General William K. James, DMA Director, has announced the selections for the FY 1993 classes of the Federal Executive Institute located in Charlottesville, Va.

They are:

Mission

Paula Bell, DMAHTC
Jimmy Boyd, Hq PP
Kenneth Burke, Hq PP
Mark Schultz, DMARC

Charles Roswell, Hq PR (1st alternate)
Clint Walker, DMAAC (2nd alternate)

Mission Support

Viola Hagberg, Hq AQ
Joseph Obermeier, Hq AQ, (1st alternate)

Alternate selectees will attend in priority order if any of the primary selectees are unable to attend.

The four-week residential executive development course, entitled 'Leader-

ship for a Democratic Society, emphasizes a performance-based approach to individual development and leadership in the federal context. The fundamental program objective is to link individual development to improved organizational performance.

The program addresses the active leadership role expected of career senior managers and the democratic values and beliefs that underpin that leadership ■



Lieutenant Colonel Jaroslav Zemek (right) receives a graduation certificate from Colonel James R. Nichols, Director of the Defense Mapping School. Captain Steven D. Harmon, course coordinator, looks on.

U.S. ARMY PHOTO

Czech Student Graduates from DMS Under Historic Bilateral Agreement

Czechoslovakian Armed Forces Lieutenant Colonel Jaroslav Zemek was the first student to attend the Defense Mapping School (DMS) under the Bilateral Defense Agreements signed between Secretary of Defense Richard B. Cheney and the Minister of Defense of the Czech and Slovak Federal Republic. Lieutenant Colonel Zemek graduated from the School's three-month Mapping, Charting and Geodesy Officers Course last July. After graduation, he returned to Czechoslovakia to assume duties in computer cartography.

A member of the military service since 1974, Lieutenant Colonel Zemek holds a Ph.D. in cartographic science. He and his wife Eva live in Prague with their son, Vojtech, and daughter, Renata.

Located in Fort Belvoir, Va., DMS is the training department of the Defense Mapping Agency ■

Metro CFC Honors Employees, Agency

At the awards luncheon of the metro Combined Federal Campaign, held at Scott AFB, Ill., Dec. 14, DMA St. Louis received a trophy for achieving the highest percentage of its "potential" gift among agencies with 1,000 or more employees. An agency's "potential" gift is considered to be one percent of its regular payroll for one year. DMA St. Louis achieved almost 25 percent of that standard with a gift total of over

\$287,000. The amount was 140 percent of the campaign goal. DMA St. Louis also received the traveling labor trophy, presented each year to recognize involvement of union members in an agency's campaign. Individual trophies went to Torchlighters Ruby Harris, Ted Isringhaus and Kelly Stohl, joint work group member Kyle Rhodes, loaned executive Laura Thompson, auditor William Baugh, and loaned photographer Jim Stepanik ■

OPPORTUNITY	
I have observed a possible opportunity for improvement of software. Send the completed form directly to your Command. Send your completed form to HQ DMA (PIO), ST A-12. (In...	
1. DESCRIPTION OF SITUATION	
DMA produced maps, charts, and digital data. The quality of adequacy upon completion of the current process, and a periodic currency review/evaluation/review is the "Total Productivity Index".	
a. The following TPE codes are used:	
"A" - Adequate for all intended purposes	
"L" - Limited Use (is not adequate for all intended purposes)	
"N" - No Coverage (not produced)	
"U" - Undetermined (produced but evaluation incomplete)	
2. ORIGINAL CAUSE	
Product evaluations and currency reviews have been neglected, first in the old ARAPS data base and then in the new ARAPS data base.	
a. But in the old ARAPS interface, the data was entered in a house in MC and SD, residing on the U.S. Army's mainframe. These interfaces worked reasonably well until they weren't cut over to D/S. The D/S interface was not terminal and entered the matrix data for the product.	
3. POSSIBLE SOLUTION (General Entry)	
Organize a process improvement team to identify the problem, find a solution, remove the obstacles, get the solution implemented, and implement it.	
This will need management support and resources. If either of these factors is missing, the problem will not be solved.	
4. OPTIONAL SUBMITTER INFORMATION	
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I would like: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Acknowledgement of receipt of this form.	
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DAVIS, Roger	A
SIGNATURE OF SUBMITTER	
Roger S. Davis	
DMA FORM 5010-2	
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cake and coffee reception held until noon in the Director's conference room on the sixth floor of Building 36 and from 1 to 2 p.m. in the dining hall at 8900 S. Broadway ■

FOR IMPROVEMENT

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determination to bring it off.
or weak, it will fail.

Continuation attached

Yes No

Notification of final action taken.

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	DATE 9-24-92	

ABOVE: an example of a completed Opportunity for Improvement form.

New Form Provides Employees The Easiest and Fastest Way To Change Things in DMA

DMA has a powerful new tool in the workplace that all employees can use.

What is this tool and what is used it for? To find out, the *Orienter* asked Air Force Lieutenant Colonel Gregory L. Hennings, air operations staff officer assigned to the Process Improvement Office (PIO):

The "new tool," DMA Form 5010-4 **Opportunity for Improvement** (OFI), is a way employees across the Center can call attention to a process they believe can be improved.

Does an employee have to coordinate this form with his or her supervisor?

There is no requirement to coordinate the OFI form through your supervisor; however, if you should choose to do so, that's fine.

Where do employees obtain these OFI forms?

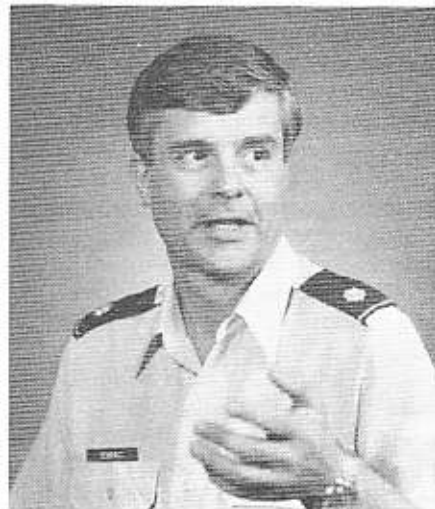
We are attempting to place the forms in every work area Center-wide; however, we have not met that goal at the present time. If you can't locate a form in a work area, please call DMAAC Process Improvement Office at 4345 and we'll send you one.

Where do employees forward their completed OFI forms?

If your department has an organized review process, submit the form to your department. If not, forward the OFI to PP/PIO, Stop L-46.

What happens to the completed OFI forms?

If submitted to your department, the issue is either processed within the department or subsequently forwarded to the Center PIO. Once the form reaches the Center PIO, it is personally processed by Jane Dickerson, senior process improvement officer. In every case the issue raised in each OFI form will result in some action, to include a response to the originator ■



"We can't win if you don't play. Please participate in this quality program."

--Lt. Col. Greg Hennings

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Unauthorized Acts Subject to Ratification Process

What is a "ratification"? *Ratification* is a process by which a government official with authority, such as a Contracting Officer or his authorized representative, adopts, approves, or confirms an unauthorized action and thereby makes it binding on the government. You are probably thinking, what is an unauthorized action and what does that have to do with me?

Recently, DMA St. Louis has been experiencing this problem. Individuals without the requisite authority have made unauthorized commitments for supplies or services. This unauthorized commitment was probably done with good intentions. A dedicated employee tried to get a particular job finished and needed something immediately. Without considering the consequences, the individual picked up the phone and ordered an item or else went out to buy it. This individual did not have the authority to obtain the item or service. **ONLY CONTRACTING OFFICERS** may legally bind the government and then only to the extent delegated to them. Contracting Officers have **ACTUAL** authority which is conferred on them by statute or regulation. In DoD, contracting authority is invested in the head of the contracting activity who then delegates

The procedure which must be undertaken when an unauthorized commitment is made takes a tremendous amount of paperwork and time to resolve. In the event the action is not ratified, the individual involved may be required to pay for the item or service.

the contracting authority by appointing contracting officers in writing. In selecting contracting officers, the appointing official takes into consideration the candidate's experience, training, education, business acumen, judgment, character and reputation.

In order for an unauthorized commitment to be ratified, the following must exist: (1) the contractor's performance under the unauthorized agreement must have been provided for and accepted by the government; (2) his price must be fair and reasonable; (3) both the Contracting Officer and legal counsel must recommend payment; and (4) funds must have been available at the times of both the unauthorized commitment and ratification. In addition, the individual who committed the unauthorized

procurement action must prepare a statement of all pertinent facts of the transaction, attaching all relevant documents and records which are available. The statement is then forwarded to the chief of the individual's directorate, department, or office who must add to the file: (1) a statement as to the disciplinary action taken or why none was considered necessary; (2) action taken to prevent recurrence of the unauthorized action; (3) a recommendation as to whether the unauthorized action should be ratified; and (4) a properly funded purchase request if the ratification is recommended.

The procedure which must be undertaken when an unauthorized commitment is made takes a tremendous amount of paperwork and time to resolve. In the event the action is not ratified, the individual involved may be required to pay for the item or service out to their own funds. The next time you have an urgent requirement, don't attempt to get it on your own. Call your servicing contracting or supply office and they will tell you what is required to obtain your needs on an expedited basis. They are there to help you ■

—Paulette F. Martin, Assistant Chief
DMA Facilities Contracts Office, St. Louis

Winners of Civilian Welfare Council Holiday Coloring Contest

All children who entered the Holiday Coloring Contest, sponsored by the Civilian

Welfare Council, received a certificate acknowledging their participation. The winners, listed here, also received

a \$3.00 gift certificate to McDonald's restaurants.

The winners:

Age 1
Callahan, Megan
Cebulski, Michael A.

Age 2
Carter, Stephen
Enke, Collin
Finger, Brian
King, Christopher
Kluthe, Kelly

Age 3
Andrasko, Jerylynn
Barricklow, Andrea
Dobberstein, Kimberly
Fitzgibbons, Paige
Garner, Lauren
Lorbert, Kaylin

Age 4
Bonnert, MacArthur
Brown, Emily
Buchur, John F.

Damschroeder,
Lonbeth
Earley, Katie
Friel, Theresa
Hoff, Andrea
Patterson, Katie
Pratt, Kristin
Ritzheimer, Jimmy
Rudebusch, Gabriel
Slovacek, Emily

Age 5
Dickerson, Matt
Dobberstein, Kristen
Finger, Bethany
Hobbs, Annie
Klunk, Theresa
Leach, Joshua
Pilger, Malissa
Skelton, Lindsey N.
Taggart, Joshua

Thornton, Myesha
Tracy, Kyle
Wallangel, Jessica

Age 6
Fain, Nicole
Greaving, Mike
Isenogle, Sarah
Knight, Krista
LaChance, Courtney
Peacock, Haley
Rees, Alexander

Rogers, Kendal
Roselli, David
Rudebusch, William
Saxton, Evan
Schoeffler, Michelle
Schultheis, Lisa
Shields, Timmy
Steiling, Amanda
Wollangel, Nicole

Age 7
Barricklow, Colleen
Bonnert, Arie
Garner, Kurt
Giles, Malissa
LaCaze, Charlie
Ramey, Anna
Sanders, Sheana
Skelton, Robbie
Staffel, Elise
Wills, Kali

Age 8
Burkhardt, Patrick
David, Mitch
Gillespie, Jill
Hartnett, Lisa
Hoff, Maddline
Marneau, Amanda
Patterson, Brandon
Rees, Heather

Schlick, Sam
Steiling, Suzanna
Age 9
Ehret, Rachel
Fank, Jason
Gearon, Christina M.
Hull, Tracy
Jacobe, Jim
Kerins, David
Nolan, Michael
Pilger, Jennifer
Richardson, Kimberly
Schoeffler, Cathy

Age 10
Bauer, Deidre
Holland, Hope
Rees, Jill
Sanders, Randy
Staffel, Chnsise

Steiling, Frederick
Age 11
Geiger, Kyle
Hobbs, Katie
Olczak, Bocki
Rees, Amy
Scotino, Dominic
Slovacek, Gina

Age 12
Bauer, Brian
Dierkes, Amy
Kancjanic, Stacy
Pilger, Michelle
Rees, Laura

Judges:
Cathy Corbett/FE
Sheri Grosse/SCOC
Sandy Tunnicliff/SDB

Suggestion Award Totals \$4,050

Cartographer Lacey E. Hartje Jr. (DPOB) received \$4,050 for partial implementation of his suggestion to implement computer-based training on the Macintosh personal computer with HyperCard software. Hartje developed self-directed training programs for use on the Macintosh that simulate the functionality of a Feature Extraction (FE/S) workstation. His suggestion was implemented during Desert Shield to enable cartographers to rapidly train themselves to produce products for the war effort, while freeing up FE/S workstations for production. Officials estimate that implementation of Hartje's suggestion at DMAAC during this period saved \$44,050, plus intangible benefits that accrued from adoption of the new technology during a crisis. For his "heroic efforts" to aid the war effort, Hartje was honored as an Outstanding Federal Employee of the Year by the St. Louis Federal Executive Board earlier this year. Officials said he worked 14 hours a day to develop product-specific training for use on the Macintosh and to train 76 cartographers for Desert Storm production. Future application of Hartje's suggestion is under consideration by DMA. A native of Springfield, Mo., Hartje earned his B.S. in cartography and map technology from Southwest Missouri State University; he came to DMAAC in 1983.



Employees of the Quarter

Employees of the Quarter in the DMAAC departments and directorates are also nominees for the Quarterly Director's Award. Recipients of this award were featured in the Dec. 18 Orientor.

NON-SUPERVISORY

Ross S. Bartell (GGPA), geodesist, for effectively representing Geodesy and Geophysics at Agency- and inter-Agency-level meetings and setting up the FY 93 production program for surveys and survey reductions.

Jayne R. Bowman (MCAF), cartographer, for outstanding quality in crisis-support work on Single-Color Overprint Maps.

Belinda Rhone (SOCS), security assistant, for providing excellent support as the security representative at South Annex and community work as advisor to an Explorer post sponsored by the St. Louis city police and a volunteer at the McDonnell USO.

Mark W. Sorum (DPBE), cartographer, for ensuring quick turnaround on World Mean Elevation Data as division project manager and high productivity in completing assignments.

Donald K. Wiley Jr. (SDFH), cartographer, for enabling the Airfield and Targeting Division to provide crisis support as manager of the Point Information Management System.

SUPERVISORY

John W. Boyd, Chief of the Transition Management Branch of the Database Systems Division (SDOA), for effective planning and leadership in supporting implementation of the Source Preparation Segment (SP/S).

William R. Covington, Chief of the Security Police Division (SOF), for dedication in assuring around-the-clock protection of facilities and personnel at DMAAC.

Kudos

Earns Doctorate

Judith L. Anderson, daughter of Russell E. Anderson, earned her Ph.D. in curriculum and instruction at the University of Missouri in Columbia last month. Her master's degree was in physical science. A cartographer in the Mapping and Charting Dept., Russell Anderson retired in February 1986 with 40 years of federal service, including service in the Marine Corps.

Looking Back

TEN YEARS AGO--Major General Richard Wells, DMA Director, commended Facilities Engineering and other AC personnel for their efforts in manning equipment to prevent flooding at the South Annex during December's heavy rains, saying "Your quick response to a mission-threatening situation is greatly appreciated." Emergency pumping continued around the clock for a week.

TWENTY YEARS AGO--Otto C. Stoessel Jr., chief of Printing and Distribution, was selected to receive the 1973 Horace Hart Award for distinguished public service in the field of printing and publishing. A St. Louis native, Stoessel worked for commercial lithographers before joining the Chart Center in 1949.

THIRTY YEARS AGO--An "undermanned but determined" ACIC team held off a strong Coast Guard five for a 57-56 victory in the Federal Basketball League. Participants included Ken Whitfield, Jerry Werner, Penman Gilliam, Jim Amling and Ellis Ray ... Following the launch of the first USSR satellite, recognition of the lack of knowledge of Soviet technical developments resulted in stepping up translation of foreign texts by ACIC's "hard-working translators in the Linguistics Section ..."

FORTY YEARS AGO--"The Civilian Personnel Office will interview Carto Aids and Carto Draftsmen in order to augment a rapidly depleting register for these positions," noted the *Orientor* of January 1953. "All employees of the ACIC are urged to encourage their friends who can qualify for these positions to contact the Placement Office in Building 6."

FIFTY YEARS AGO--In Washington, the decision was made to lease space for the new Aero Chart Plant in the Illinois Terminal Building in downtown St. Louis. "Although the Map-Chart Division recommended the ... Building be purchased for the proffered sum of \$2,500,000, the suggestion was turned down in lieu of leasing 300,000 square feet at the nominal cost of \$0.44 per square foot per annum."

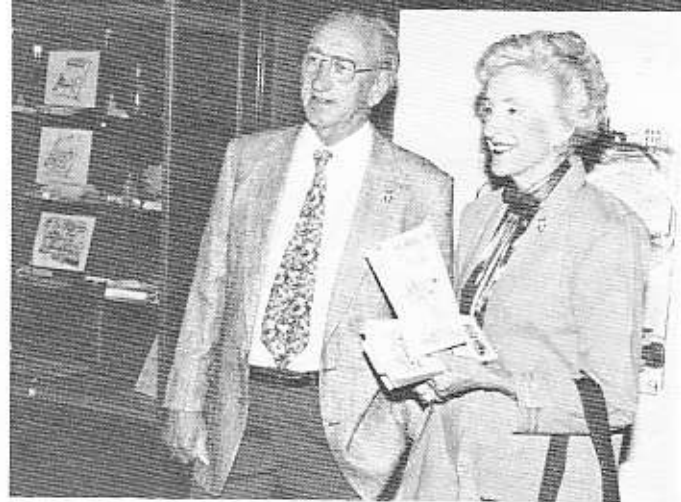
--Wells Huff

Visitors Recall Arsenal in '43

Employees in the DMA Personnel Systems Division (HRSP) recently met a man who slept in the room where they work. Robert E. "Roy" Parke and his wife Helen, now owners of the largest privately owned strawberry farm in Florida, recalled the days leading up to their marriage as they visited Building 25, which served as a barracks for soldiers receiving survival training at the Arsenal during World War II.

"I was a senior at Roosevelt High School," Mrs. Parke said. "I had a job after school as a clerk in stationery at Niesner's Five and Dime on the corner of Cherokee and Iowa." Said Mr. Parke with a grin, "She sold me pencils and notepads. Those were great days." Besides meeting his wife, Roy had his first beer in St. Louis. "Anheuser-Busch threw a party for the soldiers," he recalled. "I was 23."

Back at the Arsenal, then home of the St. Louis Medical Depot, Roy attended classes in Building 36. The installation was "closely guarded," at that time, he said. "Everybody who came through the gate was in uniform; there were no civilians." Pointing out a second floor window of Building 25, Mr. Parke showed his wife where the guys put a soldier sleeping on his cot onto the porch roof below as a practical joke. Parke, whose father immigrated from Northern Ireland and grew vegetables on a rented farm in Pennsylvania, was put in charge of a Victory Garden the soldiers tended on the south side of Building 2. "It was a great honor to be in charge of that garden," Roy said.



STEPANIK

Roy and Helen Parke visit the museum in Building 25, where Roy lived as a soldier in 1943 while courting his wife, who was then a student at Roosevelt High School.

Helen's graduation present in 1943 was a trip to visit Roy's parents in Pennsylvania. They were married soon after and spent seven months together in Macon, Ga., before Roy was sent to Europe as a rifleman scout and platoon leader with the 63rd Infantry. His unit fought on the Siegfried Line in Luxembourg before crossing the Rhine into Germany in the final months of the war.

After the war Roy returned to the farm with his bride. In 1956 he and his father bought a vegetable farm in Dover, Fla. Known as Parkesdale, it is now a family-run operation of two million strawberry plants, other fruits and vegetables, a motel and a restaurant, where the featured menu item is--what else?--strawberry shortcake ■ --Paul Hurlburt

Sports

Nothing New



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STEPANIK

Delaplain: Perfectionist

Jeff Delaplain (SDFA) bowled a 300 game Dec. 10 at Western Bowl. This was the third perfect game of his career. His first two were bowled in 1980 and 1981 at the former Stein Brothers Bowl.

This time Jeff is accepting a watch as his reward from the American Bowling Congress because in addition to the two rings he already has, he also has a ring for a 298 that he bowled in 1981. --Pat Wiese

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required in the users hands by 23 December 1992.

To assure accomplishment of this task the Digital Production Division (DPC) prepared a plan that required an all out effort consisting of a three shift production operation seven days a week. Based on the plan, careful monitoring and coordination and the support and dedica-

tion of the DPC production personnel, it was realized early on that the due date would be met. Commendation and recognition is well deserved for the men and women both internal and external to DPC. Without the magnificent cooperation and support this project would not have been a success ■

--Kennard O. Whitfield, Chief
Digital Products Div. (DPC)

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