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Abbreviations:

FRC-S	Federal Record Center Box	1.077 cubic feet
LGA-R	Legal Archival Box	0.43 cubic feet
LTA-S	Letter Archival Box	0.408 cubic feet
SUI-S	Suit Box	0.83 cubic feet
VOL-J	Bound Volume	0.057 cubic feet
VOL-O	Bound Volume	0.219 cubic feet
VOL-L	Bound Volume	0.143 cubic feet
MIC-F	Microfilm Reel	

I. RG 255: NASA Publications

1) “Lagniappe” Employee Newsletters

The “Lagniappe” Newsletters are published monthly by NASA. They began in 1977 and continue to the present.

They report both overall NASA news and information related to the John C. Stennis Space Center in Hancock County, Mississippi.

We hold copies of this publication from 1977 to 2001. NASA has an online copy of the January 2004 newsletter and the publications from January 2006 to the present day. It does not currently offer “Lagniappe” Newsletters dating before January 2004, or from February 2004 to December 2005. The link to NASA’s archived newsletters is <http://www.nasa.gov/centers/stennis/news/publications/index.html>

Copies at this facility fill one FRC-S. National Archives Identifier: 3205906

This periodical includes general NASA news, scientific research related to NASA’s mission, information about NASA policies, hiring, retirement, and death announcements, awards and their associated ceremonies, and human interest stories.

Researchers looking for broad news stories about NASA or specific information about people and events at John C. Stennis Space Center will find these newsletters helpful. These monthly newsletters do not have the kind of detailed descriptions of NASA policies or procedures that the Weekly Bulletins might.

2) Marshall Star

This periodical is published weekly by the National Aeronautics and Space Administration from 1960 to the present.

It reports both overall NASA news and information related to the George C. Marshall Space Center in Huntsville, Alabama.

We hold copies of this publication from 1960 to 2011. NASA has online copies from 1997 to the present. The link to NASA’s archived copies is <http://www.nasa.gov/centers/marshall/about/star/archive.html>

Copies at this facility fill 12 LGA-R boxes. National Archives Identifier: 1518908

This periodical includes information about major scientific discoveries, significant events related to NASA, announcements about rules and changes in policy, hiring, retirement, and

death announcements, award ceremonies, press releases about NASA projects, and human interest stories.

Researchers looking for information on the founding of NASA and the role of German scientists will be particularly interested in the Marshall Star. Dr. Wernher von Braun and other German scientists frequently appear in early editions of the Marshall Star. High-ranking members of the American military also appear, particularly in the first years, when NASA was more closely connected with the military.

The Marshall Star also provides valuable period research into NASA policies and beliefs during one of the most hostile periods of the Cold War. The emphasis on security, the presence of the military, and the sense of competition are all present in the early years, though they decrease over time. Researchers who want to learn about the role and objectives of NASA during the Cold War will find the Marshall Star an extremely useful source of information.

Researchers looking at changes in NASA over time can benefit from the Marshall Star as well. We have copies from 1960 to 2011, so researchers can examine the emerging independence of NASA and the effects of budget cuts as the institution stopped being a vital part of the Cold War. The Marshall Star provides a surprisingly detailed and thorough history of NASA spread out over decades of weekly periodicals.

3) Spaceport News

The Spaceport News is published weekly by NASA. It started in 1962, and continues to the present.

It reports general information about research related to NASA and NASA accomplishments, as well as the local news from Kennedy Space Center in Florida.

We hold copies of this publication from 1966 to 1997. NASA has online copies from 1996 to the present day. They also have the December 13th and the December 20th newsletters from 1962. The link to these archived copies is

http://www.nasa.gov/centers/kennedy/news/snews/spnews_toc.html

Copies at this facility fill six LGA-S. National Archives Identifier: 4576729

This periodical includes news about scientific discoveries and NASA accomplishments, as well as information about local events, hiring and firing, deaths, awards and their associated ceremonies, and human interest stories. It will not have the same detail on internal policy as the Weekly Bulletins, but it provides a useful look at the events that occur in a major NASA facility.

4) Weekly Bulletins

NASA used a series of Weekly Bulletins to communicate information to its employees and contractors from 1960 to 1975.

We hold copies of this publication from 1960 to 1975.

Copies at this facility fill three LTA-S. National Archives Identifier: 2789509

These bulletins include information about NASA regulations, want ads, planning for special events, health and safety rules, and public relations.

These documents are regular office announcements, not newsletters meant for general publication. Researchers who want to learn more about the details of NASA's policies, activities, and daily routines would be advised to take a closer look, while those who want to have more general news will probably be better off reading the Marshall Star or the Spaceport News.

II. RG 326: Atomic Energy Commission Publications

1) Oak Ridge Journal & Oak Ridge Times

The "Oak Ridge Journal" and the "Oak Ridge Times" are different names for the same publication, the newspaper of Oak Ridge, Tennessee. Oak Ridge was a key production facility for the Manhattan Project. In 1947, it left military control and entered the jurisdiction of the civilian Atomic Energy Commission. Under both military and AEC authority, Oak Ridge was a center of activity in America's nuclear programs.

This is a weekly publication. We hold copies from 1944 to 1948.

Copies at this facility fill three SUI-S.

These two publications are well-written small town newspapers. They contain international and national news, stories about local events, and some human interest stories. While both newspapers provide a good idea of what is happening in the local community, there is nothing about atomic or nuclear power in these publications.

III. RG 127: United States Marine Corps Publications

1) Marine Corps Air Station (MCAS) Newspaper “Air Scoop”

“Air Scoop” is the newspaper of the United States Marine Corps Air Station at Miami, Florida.

We hold copies of this publication from 1952 to 1958.

Copies at this facility fill six VOL-O.

The Air Scoop is a local newspaper. It contains large numbers of human interest stories, stories about local construction, promotions, balls, air shows, important visitors, and base policies. Some articles mention Marine Corps policy, but they are brief and lack substantial detail. The articles are generally focused on this particular Marine Corps Air Station.

The one exception is the issue of May 11th, 1956. This issue includes a special full-page announcement discussing the conditions and responsibilities of prisoners of war. It mentions the North Korean and Chinese practice of starving and torturing prisoners of war, then offering better conditions in exchange for coerced confessions or military information. The announcement orders POWs not to cooperate or offer information under any circumstances, even if they think it will gain them better treatment, then insists that the enemy will not actually improve conditions for collaborators. A paragraph before it makes the claim that some American officers cooperated to gain better conditions and did, in fact, receive them. If the North Koreans and Chinese did not improve conditions for prisoners who helped them, no one would ever have a reason to collaborate. The issue shows the military’s fear that the North Koreans and Communists would be able to gain a military advantage by starving or torturing prisoners until they agreed to cooperate. It will be of great interest to anyone studying the treatment of prisoners during the Korean War.

2) Marine Corps Recruiting Station Newspaper “Bush Beater”

The “Bush Beater” is the newspaper of the Marine Corps Recruiting Station, Room 1332, 2121 8th Avenue North Building, Birmingham, Alabama.

We hold copies of this publication from 1963 to 1966.

Copies at this facility fill two VOL-J.

The Bush Beater is a newspaper for Marine Corps recruiters. It contains statistics on Marine Corps recruiting by county and city, articles about Marine Corps events in the region, human interest stories about Marines from the area, and encouraging stories about the war in Vietnam.

The main contents of the “Bush Beater,” though, relate directly to recruiting. Most articles include recruiting tips, strategies, or stories about successful recruiting missions. There are entertaining stories about recruiting missions that went wrong at first, and stories with a moral about how recruiters should behave. This is a newspaper designed for recruiters, not for a general audience.

It may initially appear that the “Bush Beater” might be only of interest to researchers who wanted to find out about Marine Corps recruiting statistics in Alabama during the Vietnam War. A closer reading, however, shows that “Bush Beater” can tell researchers far more about the Vietnam War. The constant insistence that recruiters not only meet their quotas, but exceed them, shows a desperate need for manpower that the peacetime Marine Corps does not have. The “Bush Beater” insists that we should not believe everything we hear in the news, but should find reliable sources that can help us make up our own minds. These reliable sources are publications by the Marine Corps or the Defense Department. Clearly, the media has begun to turn against the war in Vietnam, and recruiters are being instructed to give recruits information that presents the war in a more favorable light. This antagonism between the recruiters and the press appears several times throughout the “Bush Beater,” giving researchers a valuable idea about the growing unpopularity of the war in Vietnam and the military’s attempts to present their view of the war.

3) Marine Corps Air Station Newspaper “Cactus Comet”

The Cactus Comet is the weekly newspaper of the Marine Corps Air Station located in Yuma, Arizona.

This newspaper is a catalogued item found in the **RFPHOT** section, in a cabinet with Marine Corps microfilm.

The articles contained in it focus on local news, human interest stories, and base policy. The articles are generally short and presented simply.

4) Marine Corps Base Newspaper "Camp Lejeune Globe"

The “Camp Lejeune Globe” is the weekly newspaper of Camp Lejeune, a military base in Jacksonville, Florida.

We hold copies of this publication from 1943 to 1988. There is a searchable archive for this publication available at <http://www.camplejeuneglobe.com>

Copies of this publication fill forty-one VOL-O.

The “Globe” examines both larger Marine Corps issues and local news at Camp Lejeune. It has a substantial number of news articles about events in the Marine Corps. The “Globe” is

not as focused on local news as most Marine Corps newspapers but this does not mean its articles about the broader world have the kind of detail or length that larger newspapers might feature. Researchers should look to the “Camp Lejeune Globe” for Camp Lejeune news, or for a quick look at the Marine Corps’s official positions.

5) MCRS Newspaper "Carolina Informer"

The “Carolina Informer” is the newspaper of the Marine Corps Recruiting Station at Raleigh, North Carolina.

We hold copies of this publication from 1965 to 1966. It is a monthly publication. No copies exist here from January 1965, June 1965, August 1965, September 1965, and October 1965.

Copies at this facility fill an unknown number of VOL-L.

The “Carolina Informer” is a specialized publication for Marine Corps recruiters. It contains statistics on Marine Corps recruiting organized by substation and by individual recruiter. In addition to the statistics, the “Carolina Informer” includes news on transfers, new personnel, retirement, and Marine Corps policy. Details about pensions, pay, and benefits are included, but not in great detail.

Most of the articles in the “Carolina Informer” are about recruiting. They include tips, strategies, pep talks, stories about successful recruiting trips, entertaining stories about recruiting trips gone wrong, and editorials either congratulating recruiters for their success or demanding better results.

The main value of the “Carolina Informer” to researchers is that it clearly shows the effects of Vietnam on the Marine Corps. The newspaper discusses the necessity of incorporating draftees into a traditionally all-volunteer organization, which was only necessary because of the war. The constant pressure on recruiters is far stronger because of the war; in peacetime, the Corps had less difficulty filling its ranks, and could afford to be more selective.

6) Marine Corps Recruit Depot Newspaper “Chevron”

The “Chevron” is the newspaper of the Marine Corps Recruit Depot at San Diego, California.

The “Chevron” can be found in the **RFPHOT** section in a special cabinet with other Marine Corps microfilm.

It contains human interest stories, local news, information on base policy, and ads.

7) HQ 6th Marine Corps District Newspaper "Dixie Digest"

“Dixie Digest” is the newspaper of the 6th Marine Corps Headquarters in Atlanta, GA.

We hold copies of this publication from 1963 to 1968.

Copies at this facility fill two VOL-O.

The “Dixie Digest” articles are short, and most of them focus on human interest stories, local news, base policies, and local events. There is also information about promotions, retirements, and transfers.

8) MCAS Newspaper “Eden Sound”

The “Eden Sound” is the newspaper of the MCAS Air Station at Edenton, North Carolina.

We hold copies of this publication for the year 1949.

Copies of this publication fill one VOL-L.

The newspaper includes short articles, local news, human interest stories, information about base policy, pay, and housing, and jokes.

9) MSCS Newspaper “Emblem”

“Emblem” is the newspaper of the Marine Corps Supply Station in Albany, Georgia.

We hold copies of this publication from 1956 to 1986.

Copies at this facility fill twenty-two VOL-O.

The “Emblem” focuses on local news, human interest stories, base policies, transfers, promotions, and retirements, and a few brief stories about Marine Corps events or policies.

10) MCRS Newspaper “Florida’s Launch Pad”

“Florida’s Launch Pad” is the newspaper of the Marine Corps Recruiting Station at Jacksonville, Florida.

We hold copies of this publication from 1963 to 1965.

Copies at this facility fill one VOL-J.

11) MCAS Newspaper "Jet Stream"

The “Jet Stream” is the newspaper of the Marine Corps Air Station at Beaufort, South Carolina.

We hold copies of this publication from 1961 to 1986.

Copies at this facility fill twenty VOL-O.

This is a local newspaper. Its articles focus on local air shows, balls, awards ceremonies, promotions, retirements, policies, and construction. When it does discuss changes in Marine Corps policy, it does so briefly and usually with emphasis on their local effects. For a day-to-day chronicle of life at this Marine Corps Air Station, the “Jet Stream” is a valuable source. For a larger idea of events in the Marine Corps, or world events, the “Jet Stream” is less useful.

12) Miscellaneous Newspapers

We hold copies of these publications from 1943 to 1950.

Copies of these publications fill three VOL-O.

These miscellaneous newspapers contain a mixture of human interest stories, local news, retirements, promotions, and base policies, along with a small amount of larger Marine Corps news.

13) MCRD Newspaper "Parris Island Boot"

The “Parris Island Boot” is the newspaper of the Parris Island Recruit Depot in Parris Island, South Carolina.

Archived copies from July 2011 to the present are available online at [http://digital.olivesoftware.com/Default/Skins/TheBoot/Client.asp?skin=TheBoot&AppNam
e=2&AW=1343924184438](http://digital.olivesoftware.com/Default/Skins/TheBoot/Client.asp?skin=TheBoot&AppName=2&AW=1343924184438)

Copies of this publication fill forty-one VOL-O.

The “Parris Island Boot” focuses on local events at Parris Island, especially human interest stories and details of military training. However, it does look at broader issues in the Marine Corps, including changes in policy and major announcements.

Like most newspapers, the “Parris Island Boot” is primarily useful as a source of local news, for researchers who are interested in learning more about Parris Island Recruit Depot. Researchers looking for information about the Marine Corps may find some items of interest. Human interest stories and Parris Island events, not the Corps as a whole, are the overwhelming focus of this newspaper.

14) Post Station Newspapers

We hold copies of these publications from 1969 to 1972.

Copies of these publications fill four MIC-F.

These newspapers include local news, human interest stories, retirements, promotions, transfers, base policies, and a few articles about Marine Corps or military news.

15) MCAS Newspaper “Rotovue”

The “Rotovue” is the biweekly newspaper of Marine Corps Air Station New River in Jacksonville, Florida.

We hold copies of this publication from 1965 to 1985. Archived copies are available online from October 27th, 2010 to the present. They can be found at <http://www.camplejeuneglobe.com/rotovue/e-edition/>

Copies at this facility fill twenty-nine VOL-O.

The “Rotovue” is primarily a local newspaper, focusing on base events, human interest stories, sports, and entertainment. However, it does have some brief stories about the Marine Corps’s activities around the world, and news about changes in Marine Corps or military policy.

Researchers should keep in mind that the “Rotovue” is a small newspaper that produces short, straightforward articles. Researchers looking for local news will find this a very valuable source. For details about Marine Corps events or policies, researchers should view the “Rotovue” as a useful starting point.

16) MCAS Newspaper “Windsock”

“Windsock” is the newspaper of the Marine Corps Air Station at Cherry Point, North Carolina.

We hold copies of this publication from 1944 to 1966. Archived copies running from June 14, 2012 to the present are available at www.thewindsockonline.com/

Copies at this facility fill fifty-six VOL-O.

The “Windsock” provides extensive information about events, human interest stories, and Marine Corps policies at the Cherry Point Marine Corps Air Station.

The “Windsock” is not a large newspaper, and it focuses mainly on local news. While it does include stories about the Marine Corps in general, those stories are usually brief.

IV. RG 181: United States Navy Publications

1) Newspapers “Recruit” and “Navigator”

We hold copies of this publication from 1968-1999.

Copies of this publication fill sixteen SUI-S.

These two newspapers are based out of the U.S. Navy Recruit Training Center in Orlando, Florida. They discuss local events, base policy, human interest stories, promotions, transfers, retirements, and obituaries. Occasionally, they will examine major events related to the Navy, but they do so briefly. Their articles in general are short and simple, providing only brief descriptions of people and events. Researchers who want to learn about the Orlando Recruit Training Center and the daily lives of the personnel stationed there can learn something from reading these newspapers.

V. RG 142: Tennessee Valley Authority Publications

1) T.Q. Update Newsletter

We hold copies of this publication from 1997 to 1998.

Copies of this publication fill one FRC-S.

This is an internal newsletter written for Tennessee Valley Authority employees. It looks purely at local events, changes in policy, and human interest stories. We have only a few copies of this publication, and they are very short.

2) Tennessee Valley Authority Newsletter “Impact”

We hold copies of this publication from 1978 to 1988.

Copies of this publication fill one FRC-S.

This newsletter discusses the environmental impact of TVA projects, examines environmental problems, and proposes and discusses various solutions to those problems. While it is scientific and detailed, it is not particularly difficult to read, as the authors clearly attempt to make their concepts understandable to laymen.

“Impact” includes notification about the release of preliminary environmental impact statements, draft environmental impact statements, and final environmental impact statements for all major TVA projects. It frequently looks at how the TVA’s projects manage to complete their work without violating environmental guidelines, and offers detailed advice about new developments that help to avoid environmental damage.

Standing right on the borderline between a scientific and a popular publication, “Impact” has many of the best qualities of both. Researchers who want to know about the environmental planning of the TVA will find this an excellent starting point.

3) Administrative Services, Various Newsletters

We hold copies of this publication from 1930 to 1941.

Copies of this publication fill one LTA-S.

These TVA newsletters are small publications created by different sections of the TVA. These sections include Pickwick Dam, Joe Wheeler Dam, the Forestry Division, the stenographic section, and the co-op tailoring shop.

Each of the newsletters contains local news, local events, promotions, transfers, retirement, and human interest stories. They are very personal, focusing on the issues and problems of each small section, rather than the TVA as a whole.

4) “Economic Edge”

We hold copies of this publication from 1995 to 1999.

Copies of this publication fill one LTA-S.

The “Economic Edge” is one of the most valuable periodicals in our facility. While many other periodicals focus on local news and expect the reader to have some prior knowledge of the events they describe, the “Economic Edge” provides a clear, detailed look at economic growth in the Tennessee Valley area. It is a good place for researchers to start, and they will find they can continue using this as a major source throughout their work.

Many of the articles in this magazine are human interest stories. These human interest pieces often describe how successful entrepreneurs created their companies, how workers managed to find employment in new fields, and how the economic success of the region helped people go to college, get business loans, or have a comfortable retirement. These stories give valuable insight into the beliefs and activities of the Tennessee Valley Authority, showing what they think about the right ways to ensure the region’s economic success. Researchers will find that these stories, when read carefully, are as informative as statistics or growth plans.

The “Economic Edge” also includes economic statistics related to the area’s growth. The statistics are usually detailed, precise, and broken down by region and industry. They are also fairly comprehensible and easy to read, which no researcher should take for granted when they are working with statistics. The magazine may not always contain the kind of detail that some patrons may need, but it is certainly a good place to look first for accessible, relevant, and well organized data on the economic condition of the Tennessee Valley area.

Finally, the “Economic Edge” shows the plans, projections, and objectives of the Tennessee Valley Authority. It explains their plans to create new infrastructure, offer business loans, attract key industries, and improve local education and job training. The Economic Edge

gives a comprehensive look at the beliefs, objectives, and plans of the Tennessee Valley authority. This periodical is an excellent starting point for researchers.

VI. RG 442: Center for Disease Control Publications

1) “Hazardous Substances and Public Health”

We hold copies of this publication from 1990 to 1996.

Copies of this publication fill one FRC-S.

This publication is an educational monograph about toxic substances. Each issue covers the causes, effects, treatment, and regulation of a different toxic substance. Though the issues are brief, they contain a significant amount of scientific detail and terminology, and laymen will struggle with parts of them. They are written by scientists and doctors for scientists and doctors, not for general publication.

The issues contain case studies, practice tests, explanations of the different ways that victims may be exposed to the toxin, and descriptions of the effects and indicators of each toxin. There are questions asking which causes are likely to lead to different levels of exposure. The monographs describe how to test for each toxin, the indicators of the presence, and how to treat them. The publications explain the effects of each toxin on different parts of the body. They also provide EPA standards and regulations of each substance, though researchers should keep in mind that this information is dated and may have changed. At the end, there is a suggested reading list for each substance, along with answers to the practice test and the questions.

This resource has considerable value to scientific researchers, and may prove difficult to non-specialists, who may not be able to understand parts of it. It provides a quick and effective overview of each toxic substance’s effects, indicators, and treatment.

VII. RG 75: Bureau of Indian Affairs Publications

1) “Indians at Work” Magazines

We hold copies of this publication from 1933 to 1944.

Copies at this facility fill five LTA-S. National Archives Identifier: 5991911

This magazine provides a surprisingly detailed and valuable look at the impact of New Deal policies on Native Americans.

There are many speeches and letters included in this publication. Administrators in the Bureau of Indian Affairs describe what they see as the problems, solutions, and future

goals of their organization. Reading them will help researchers understand the motivations and beliefs of the Bureau's leaders, as well as general attitudes towards Native Americans in this time.

New Deal projects make up a significant portion of these magazines. Road repairs, public murals, bridge building, artwork, handicrafts, and logging are all funded by New Deal programs. New Deal agencies also work on land management activities such as erosion control and environmentally sound logging. The magazine particularly focuses on educational policy under the New Deal, which includes adult education and work training as well as primary school.

These short magazines provide useful insight into changes in the government's policy towards Native Americans. "Indians at Work" frequently discusses the possibility of increased Native American self-government, and the administrators of the Bureau of Indian Affairs are usually positive about reforms that reduce the power of their own agency. The publications show changes in Native American policy under FDR, particularly the increased ownership of land by tribes rather than individuals and the increased importance of Native American tribal governments.

"Indians at Work" shows how the New Deal helped Native Americans find education and jobs, and how FDR's Presidency changed the Bureau of Indian Affairs' relationship with Native Americans. This should be the first place researchers of Native Americans during this time period look.

VIII. RG 237: Federal Aviation Administration publications

1) "Intercom" newsletter

We hold copies of the "Intercom" newsletter from 1963 to 1969. The newsletter served employees of the Federal Aviation Agency as it was known.

The weekly publication presented 10 to 15 concise articles on topics important to agency employees such as salaries, legislative committee hearings, memos issued by the President of the United States, awards ceremonies, the airline industry, airport construction, and supplemental packets.

Copies of the publication fill 13 LTA-S boxes. National Archives Identifier: 6004021

2) "FAA Horizons" magazine

We hold copies of "FAA Horizons" magazine from 1963 to 1969. The newsletter served employees of the Federal Aviation Agency as it was known.

The monthly publication was a glossy magazine with articles of importance or interest to agency employees. Many of the articles are accompanied by photos of airport construction, airline employees, and awards ceremonies. The publication is generally celebratory. Articles could be submitted to the publication from across the agency.

Copies of the publication fill 6 LTA-S boxes. National Archives Identifier: 6004038