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Champlin, Gerald A.,  
Major

Colby, J. M., Brig.  
Gen.  
Corporal Missile  
Jupiter Missile  
Nike-Ajax

Nike-Hercules  
Paul, Thurston T.,  
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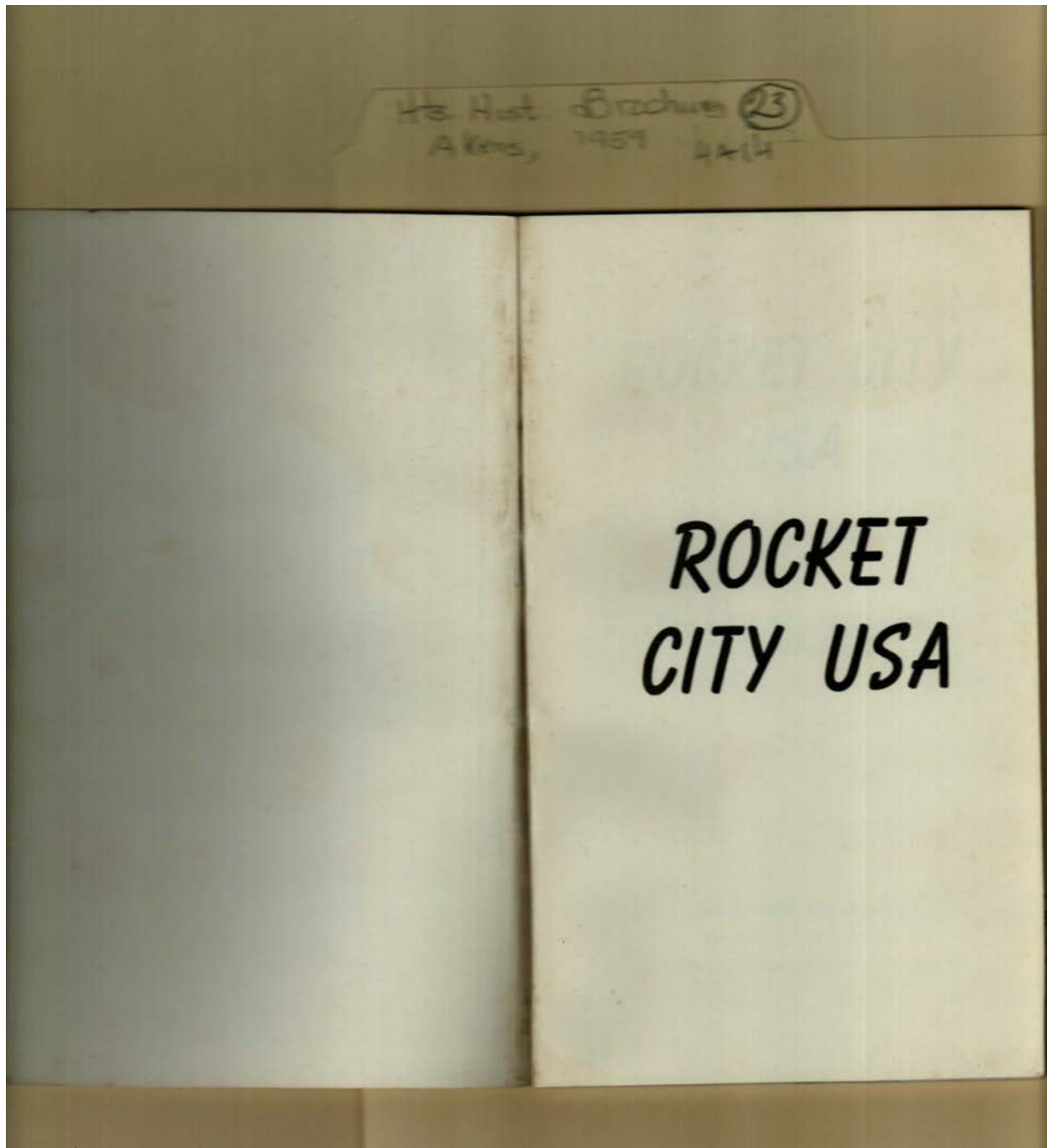
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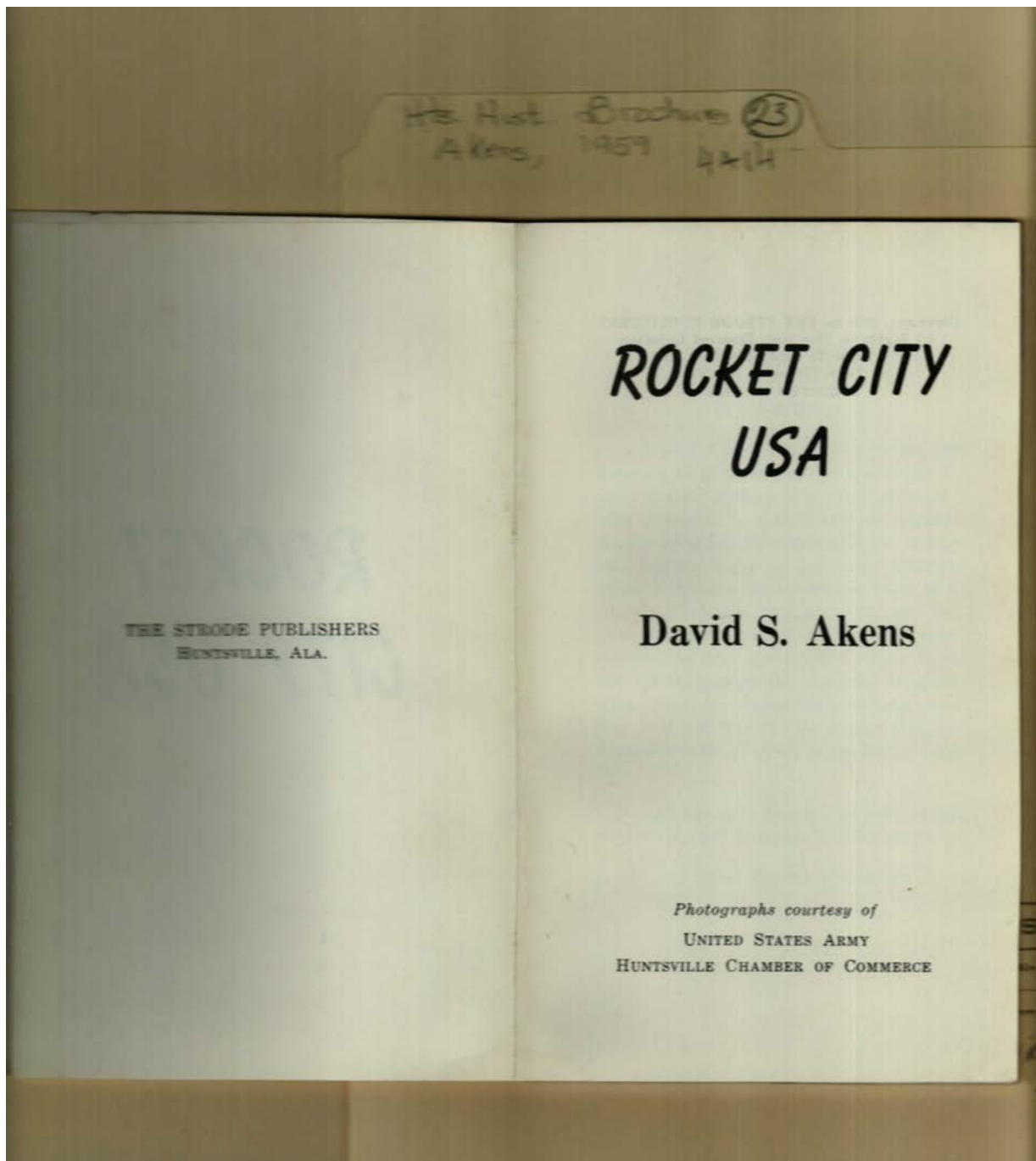
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Akens, David S.

Strode Publishers

Rocket City USA

**Places:**

Huntsville, AL

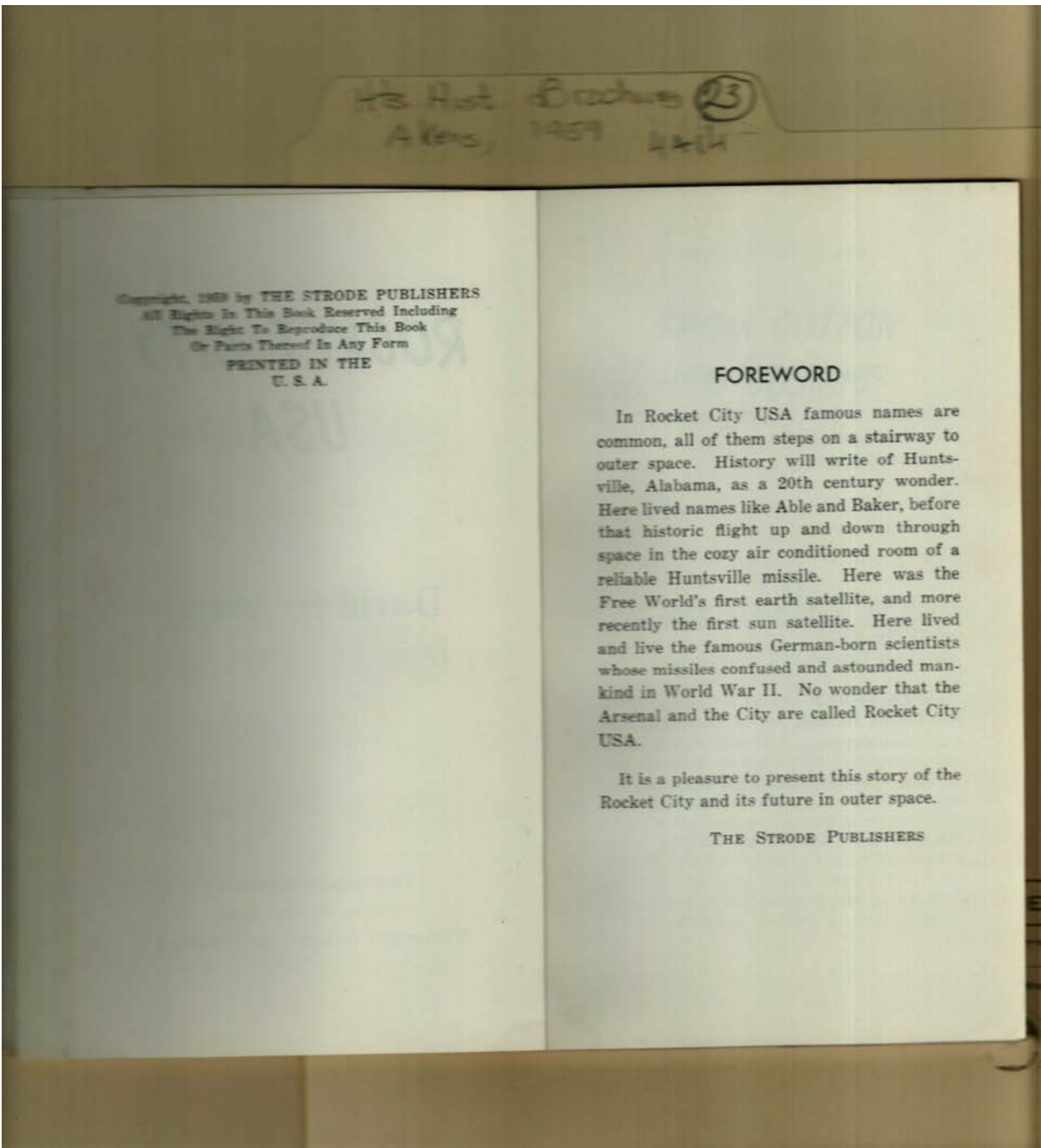
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Able and Baker

Rocket City USA

Strode Publishers

**Places:**

Huntsville, AL

**Types:**

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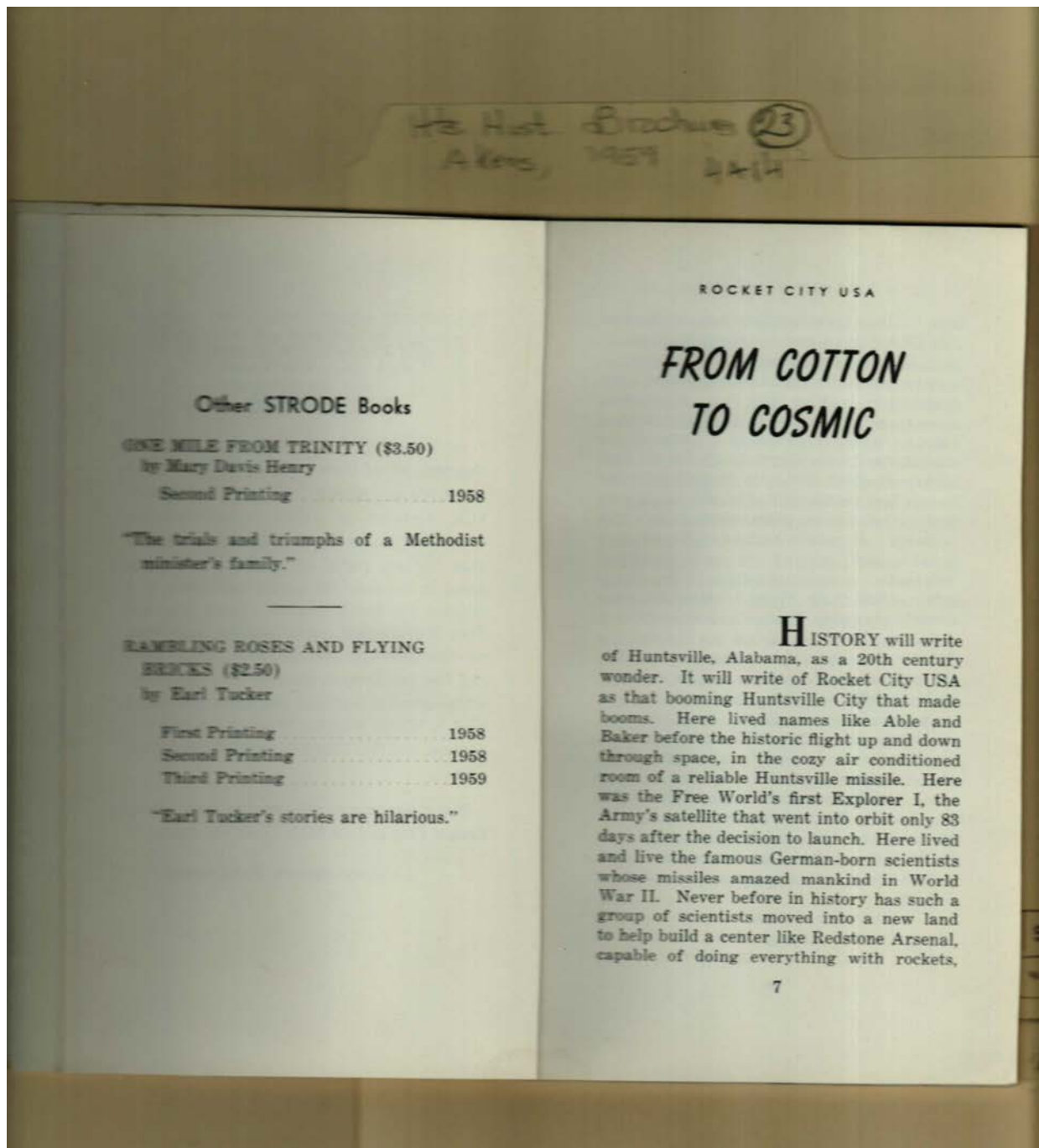
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Redstone Arsenal  
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From Cotton to  
Cosmic

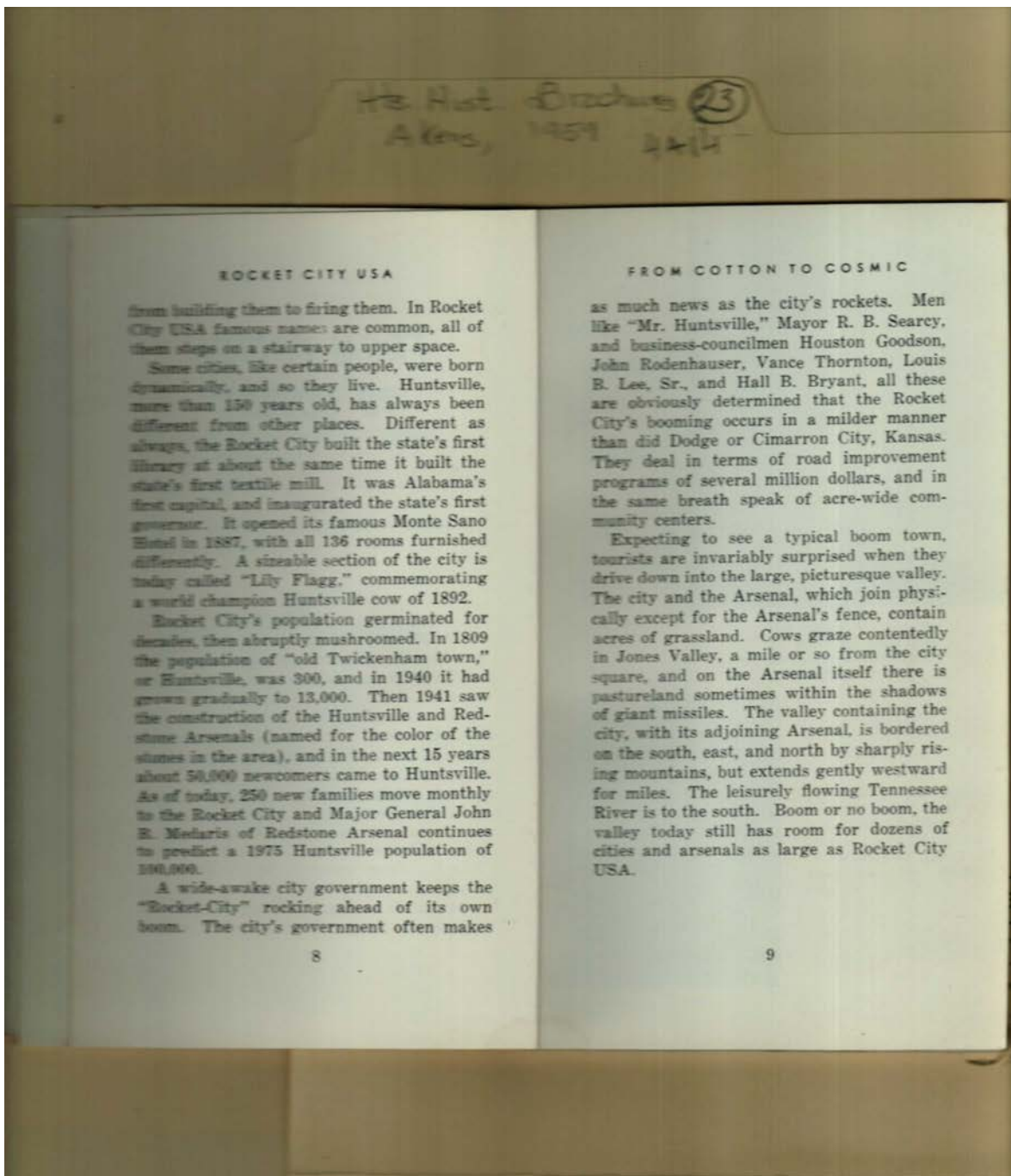
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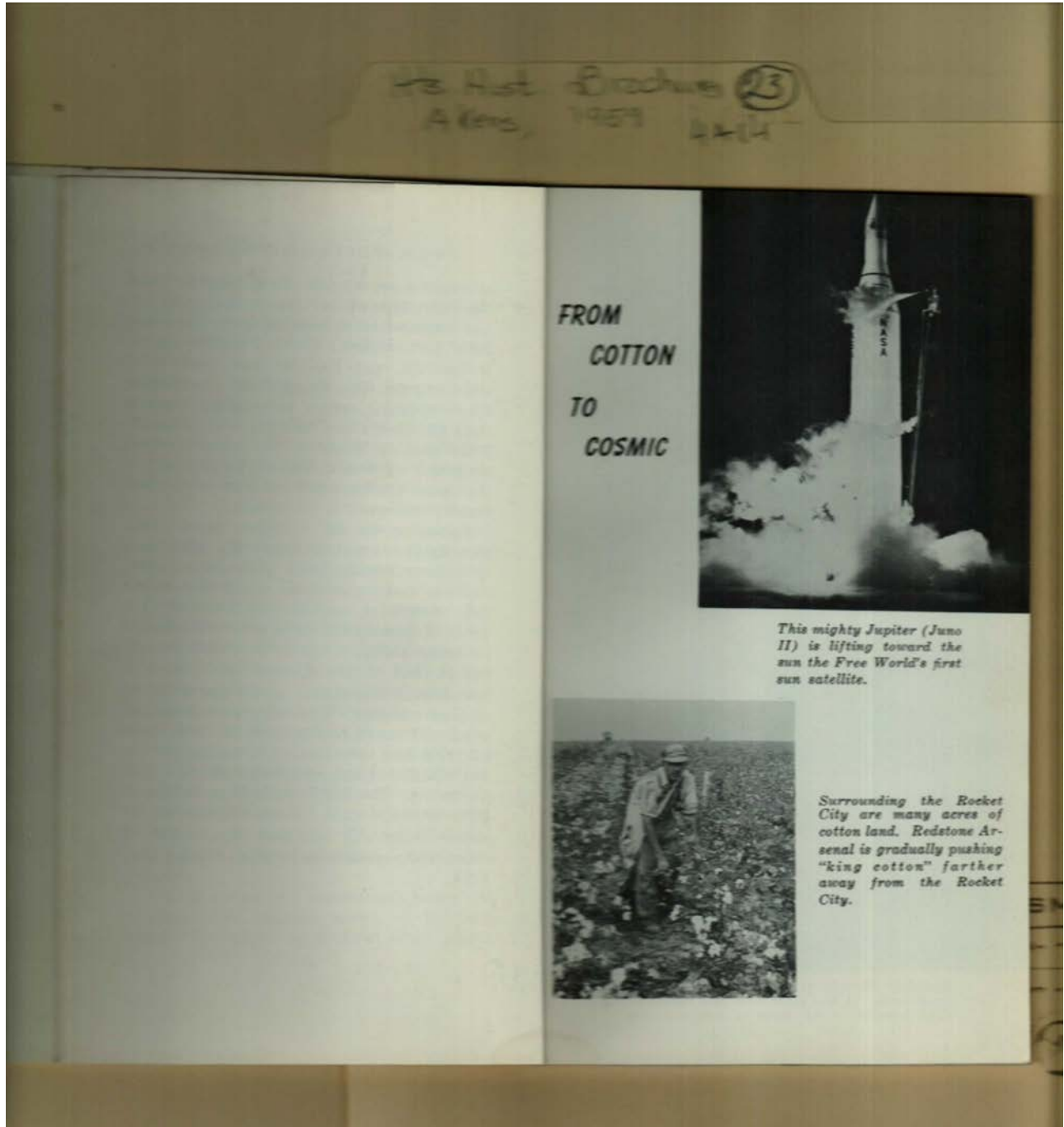
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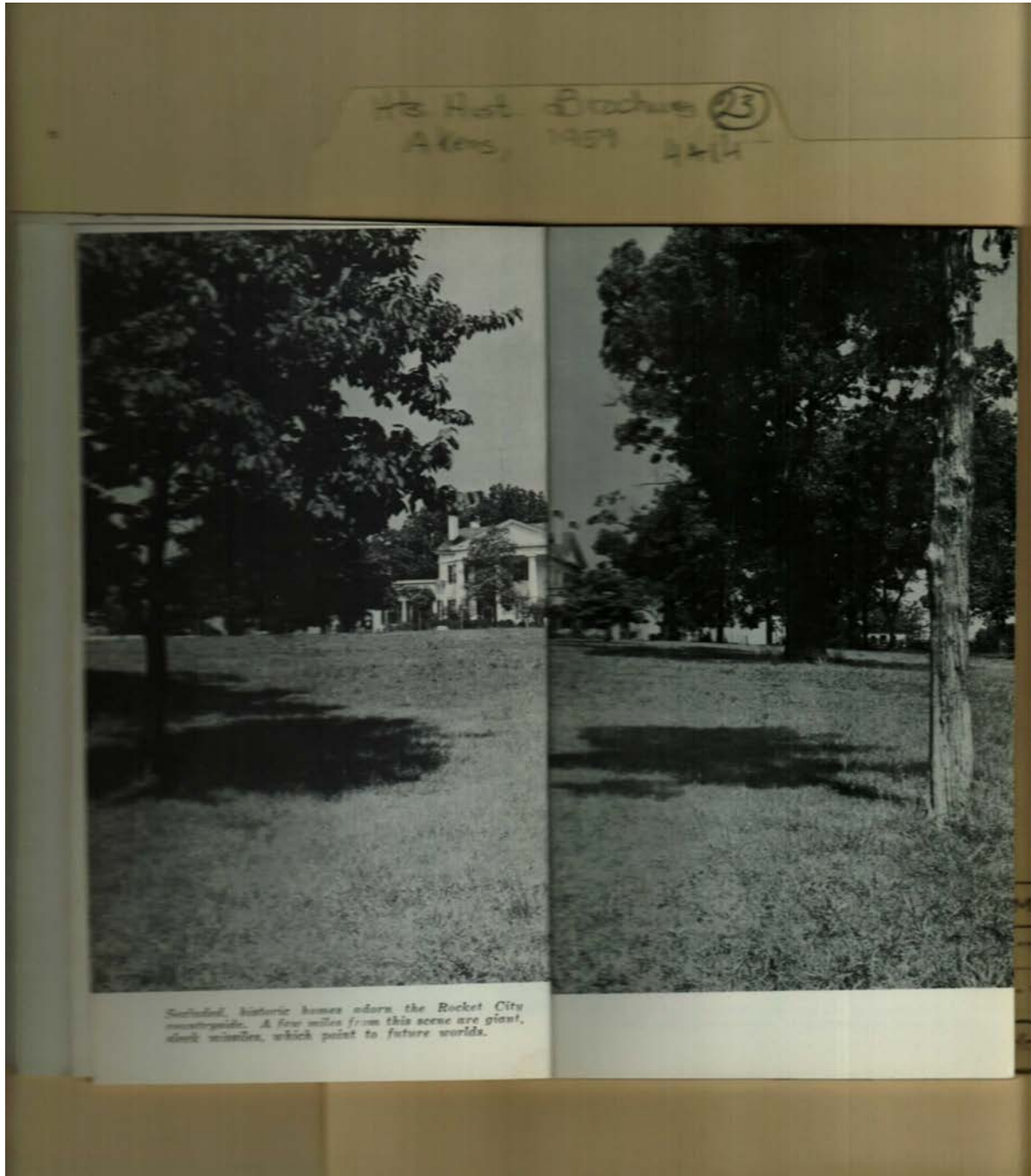
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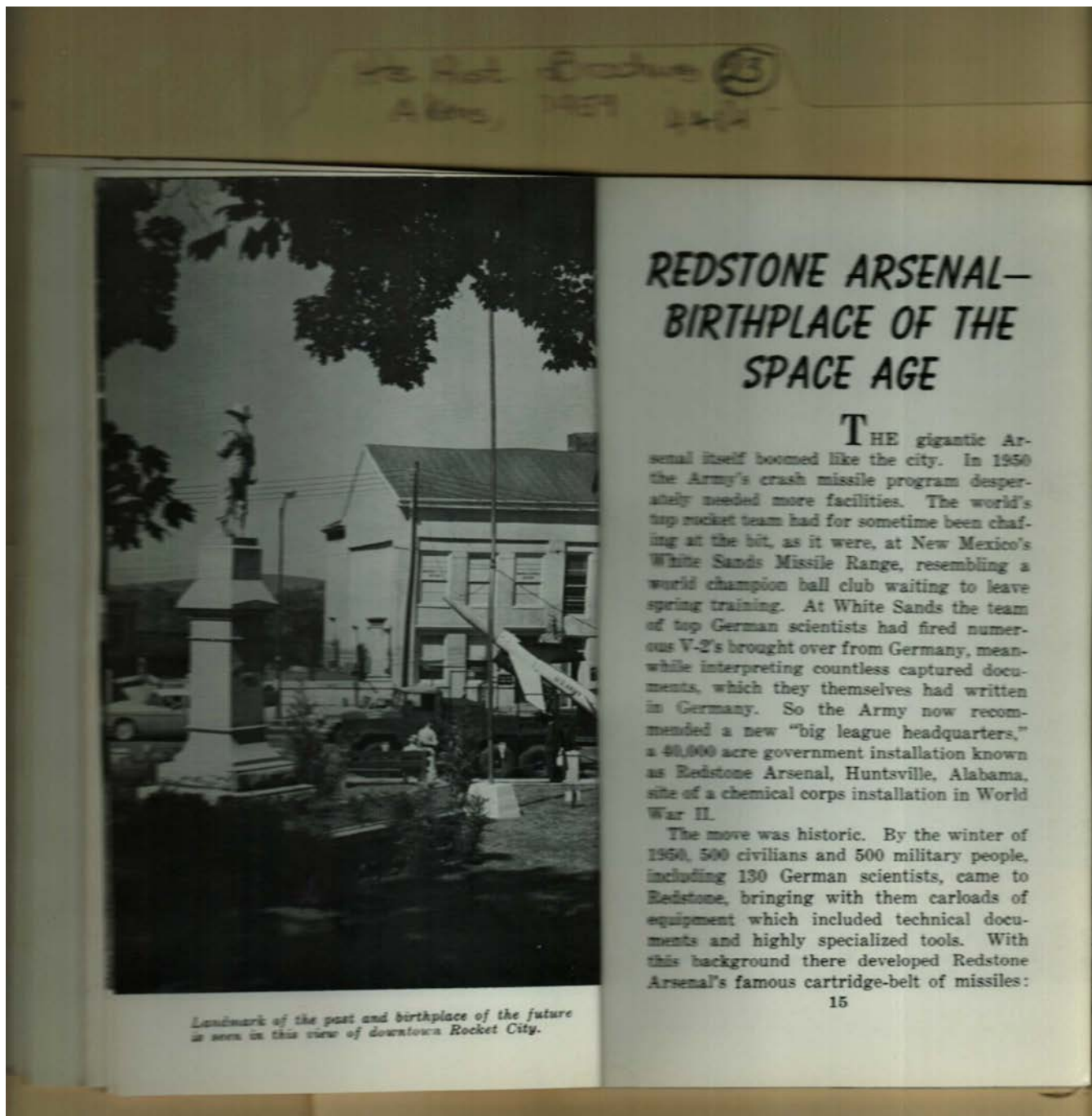
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Historic Home

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## REDSTONE ARSENAL— BIRTHPLACE OF THE SPACE AGE

**T**HE gigantic Arsenal itself boomed like the city. In 1950 the Army's crash missile program desperately needed more facilities. The world's top rocket team had for sometime been chafing at the bit, as it were, at New Mexico's White Sands Missile Range, resembling a world champion ball club waiting to leave spring training. At White Sands the team of top German scientists had fired numerous V-2's brought over from Germany, meanwhile interpreting countless captured documents, which they themselves had written in Germany. So the Army now recommended a new "big league headquarters," a 40,000 acre government installation known as Redstone Arsenal, Huntsville, Alabama, site of a chemical corps installation in World War II.

The move was historic. By the winter of 1950, 500 civilians and 500 military people, including 130 German scientists, came to Redstone, bringing with them carloads of equipment which included technical documents and highly specialized tools. With this background there developed Redstone Arsenal's famous cartridge-belt of missiles:

**Names:**

German Scientists

Huntsville Downtown  
View

Redstone Arsenal  
Birthplace of Space

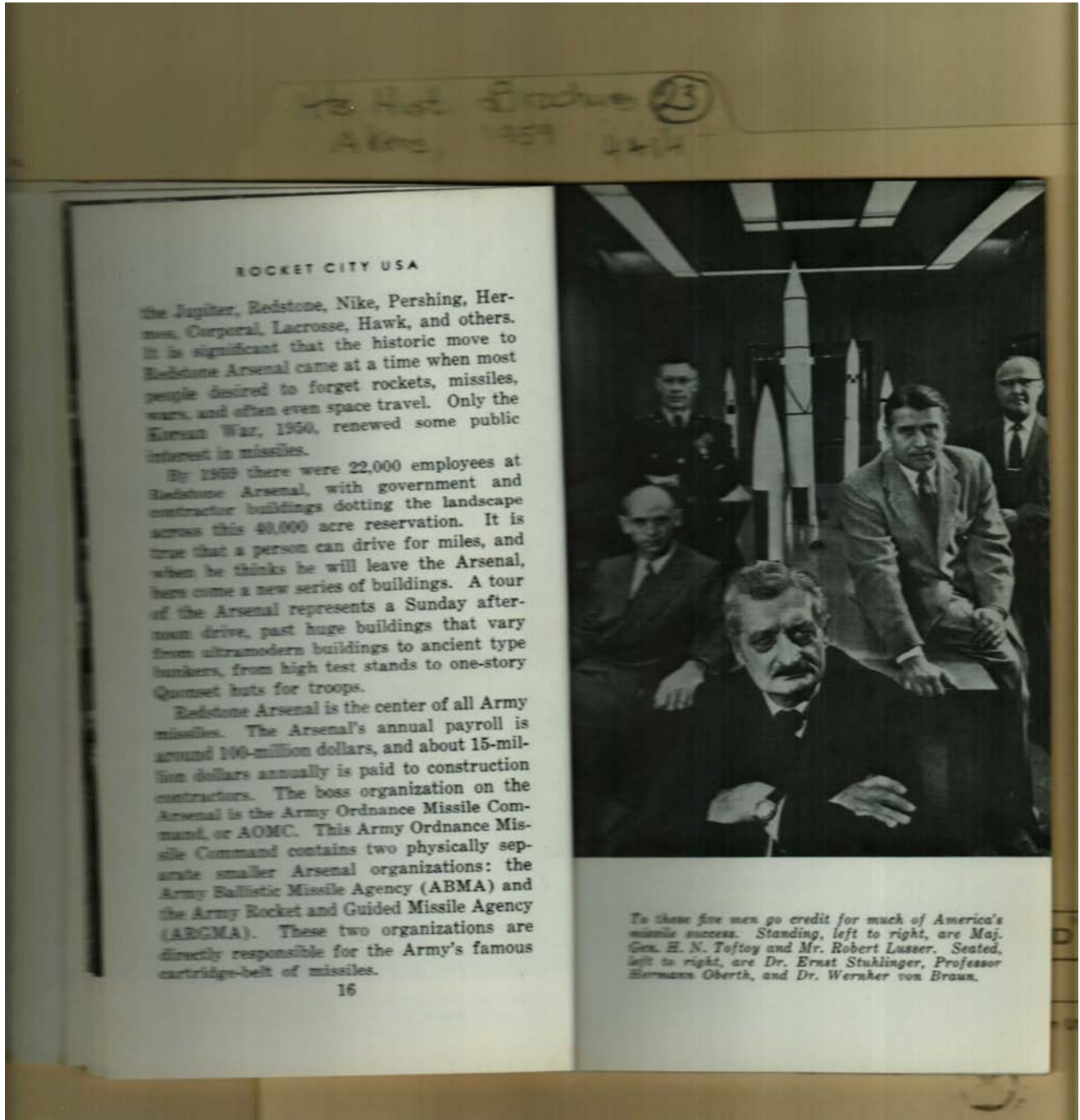
Age

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Huntsville, AL

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Redstone Arsenal  
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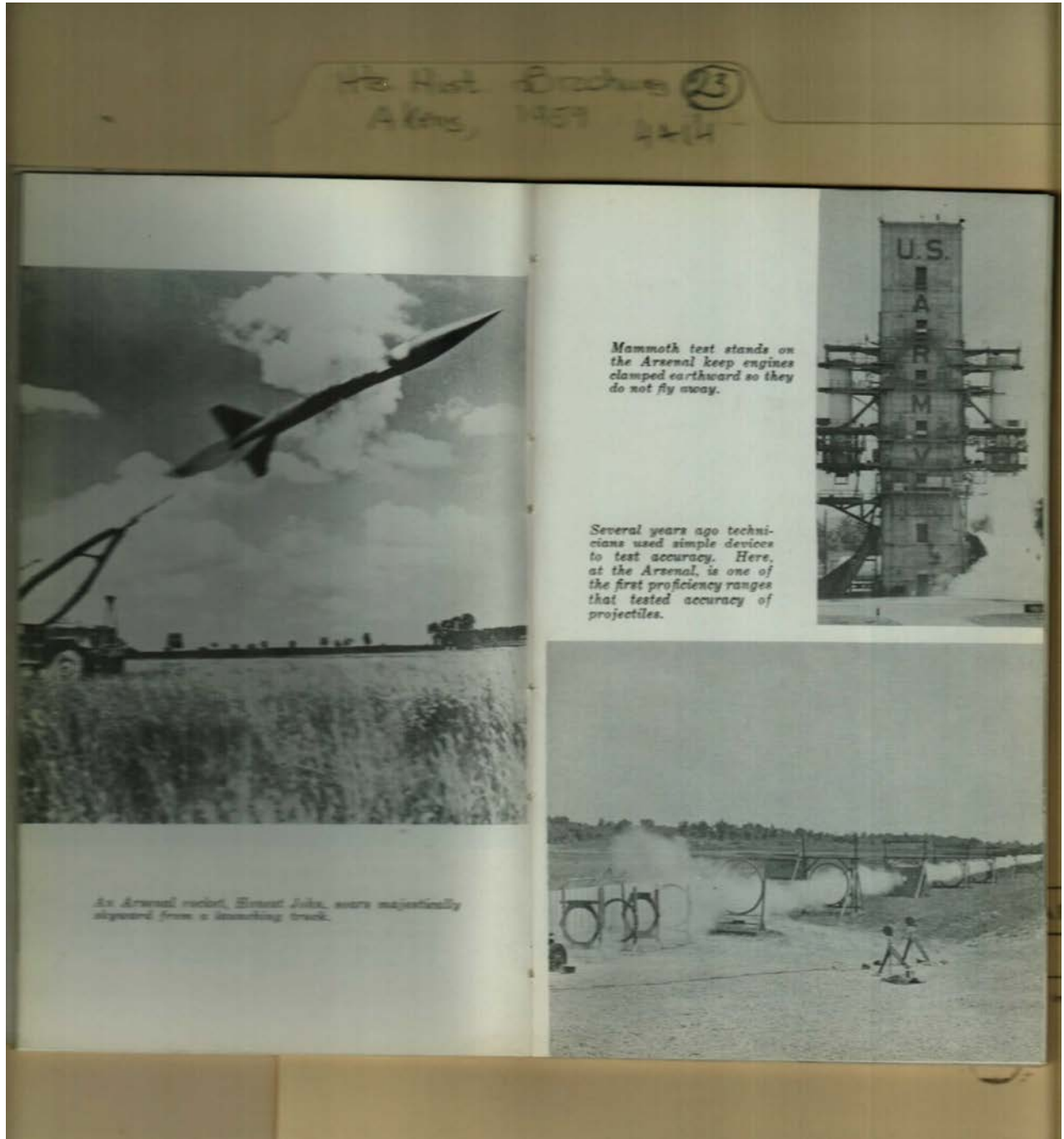
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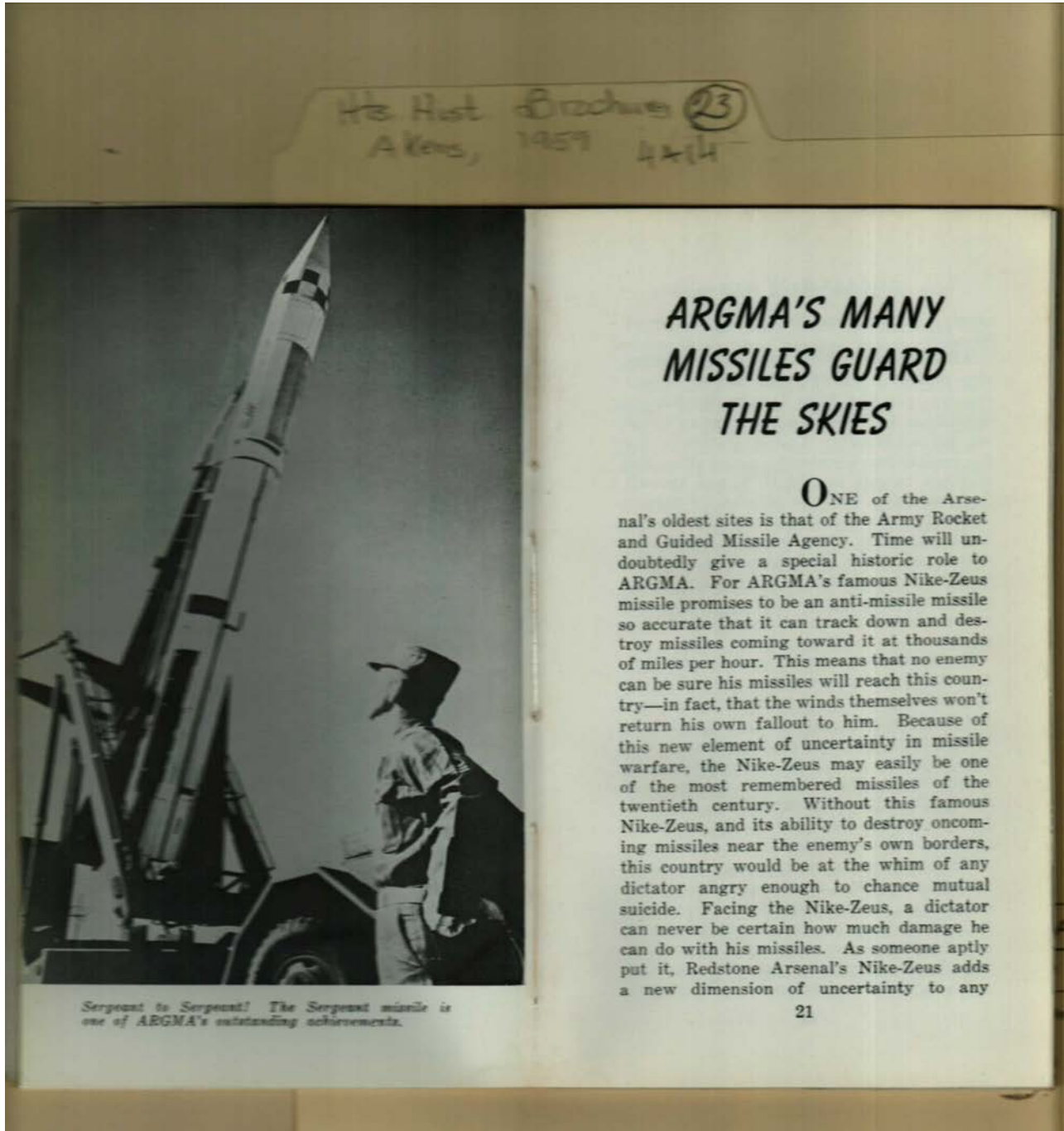
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Test Stands

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ARGMA

Army Rocket and Guided Missile

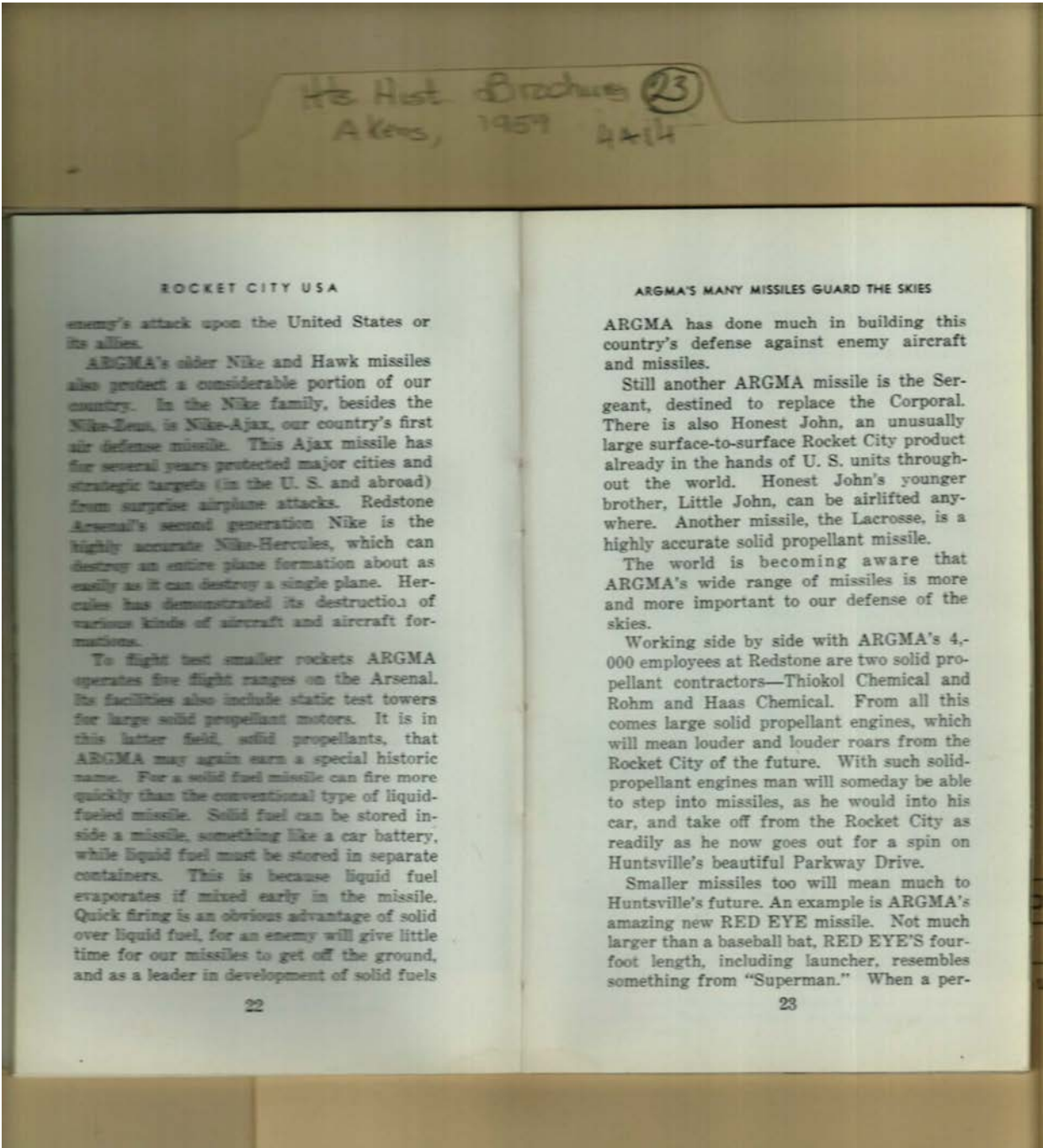
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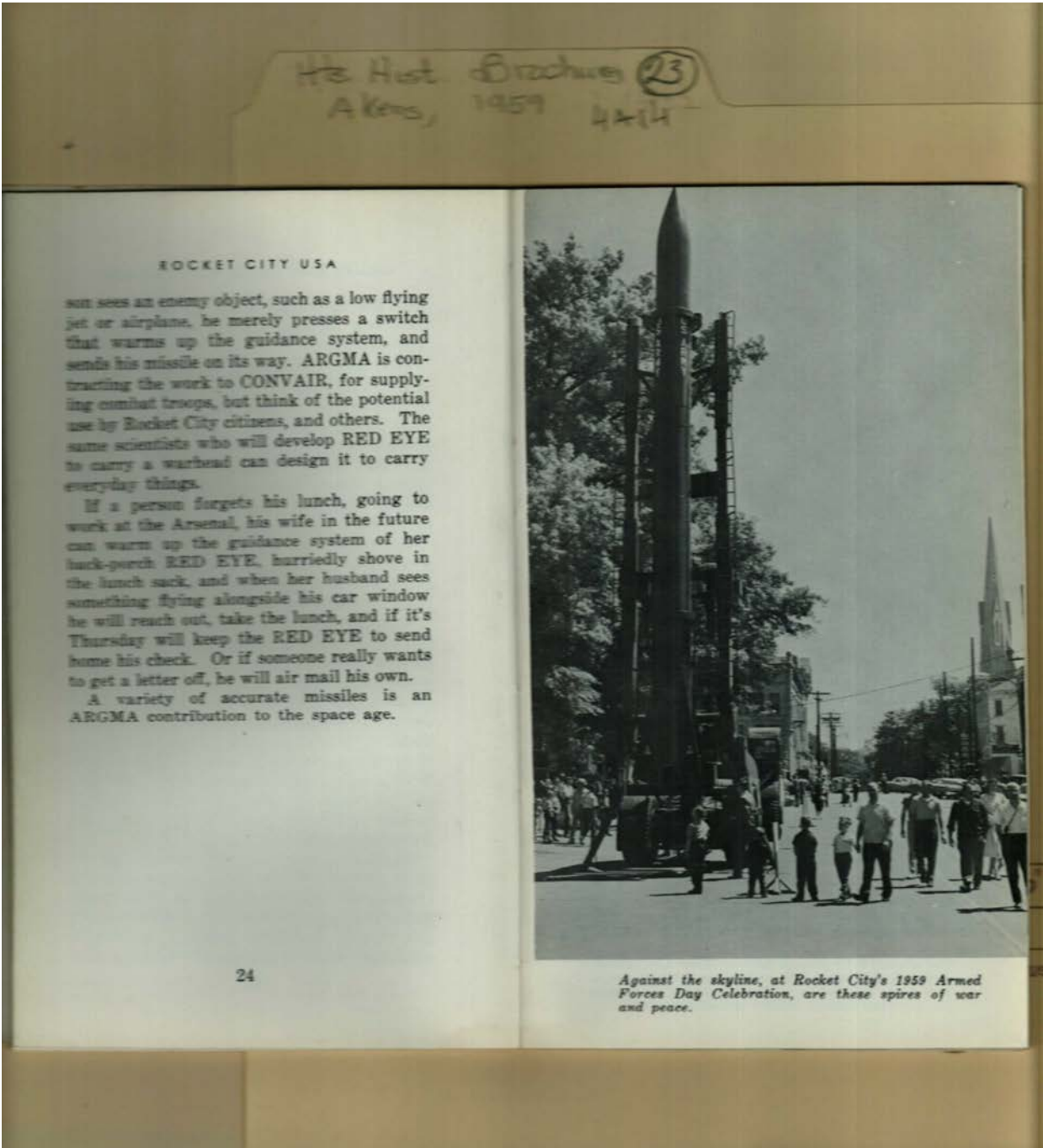
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Chemical

Thiokol Chemical

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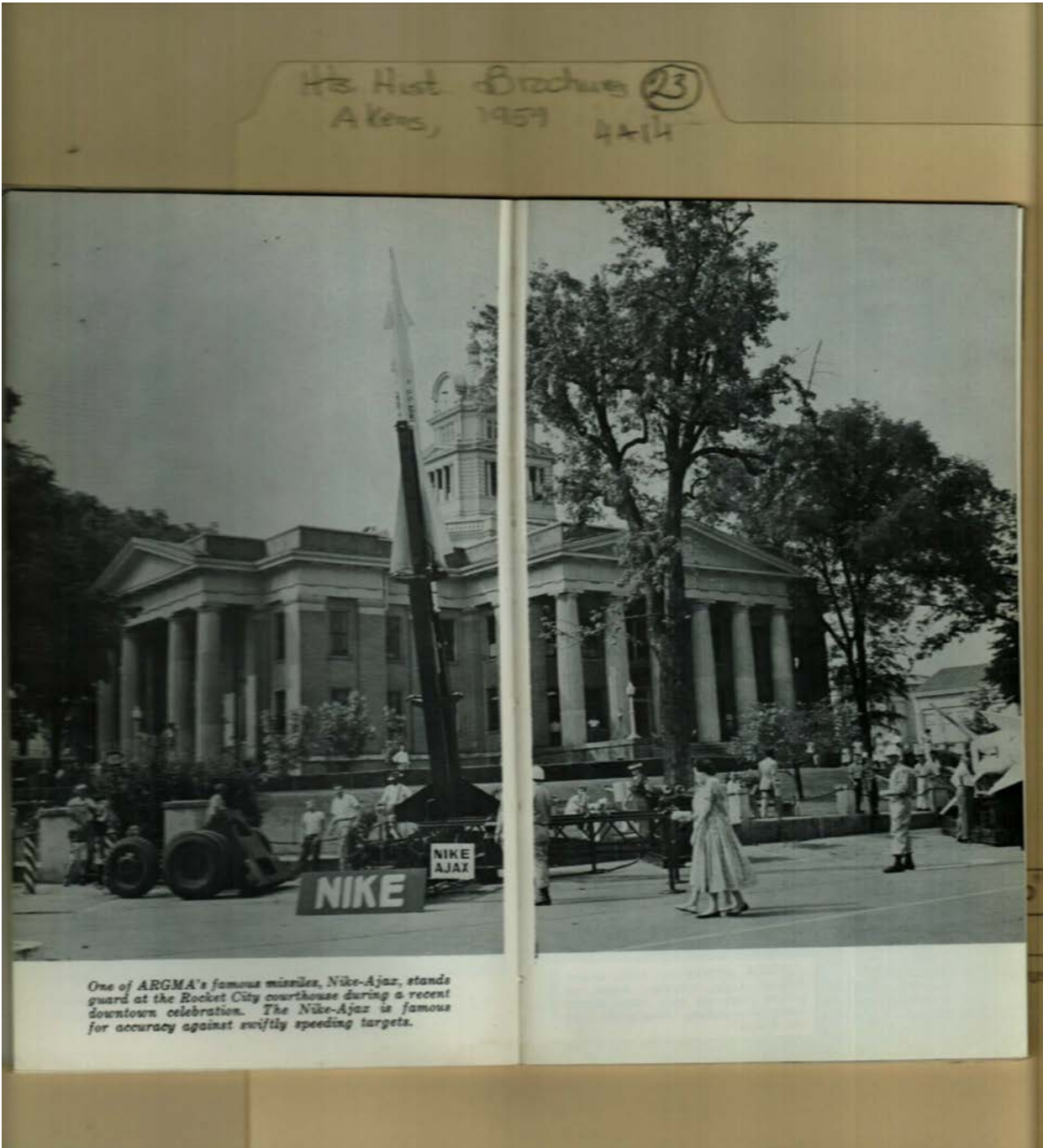


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Armed Forces Day  
Celebration

**Types:**

photograph



**Names:**

Madison County  
Courthouse

Nike-Ajax

**Types:**

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**Names:**

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Eisenhower, President

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Satellites and Space  
Travel

**Types:**

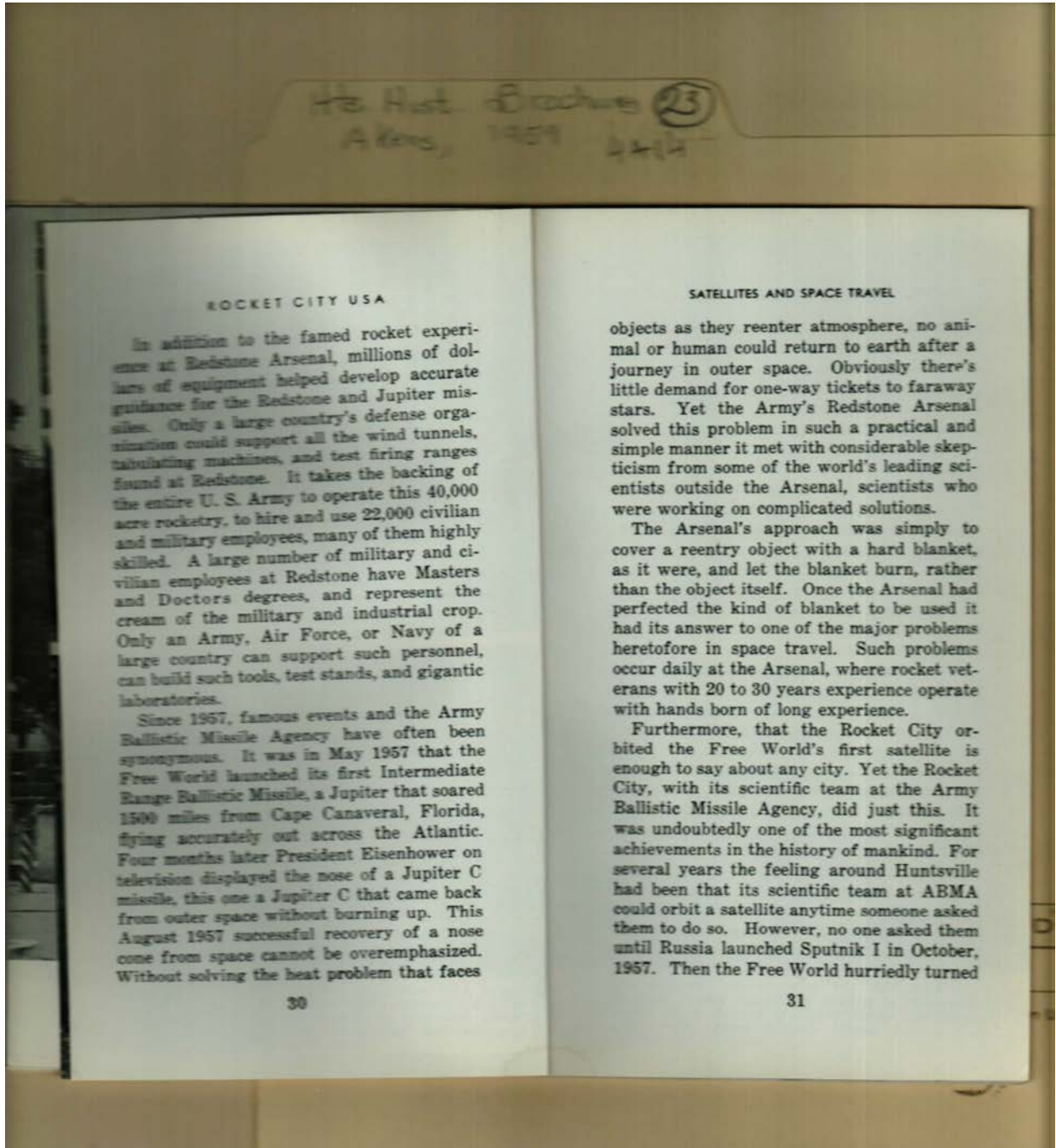
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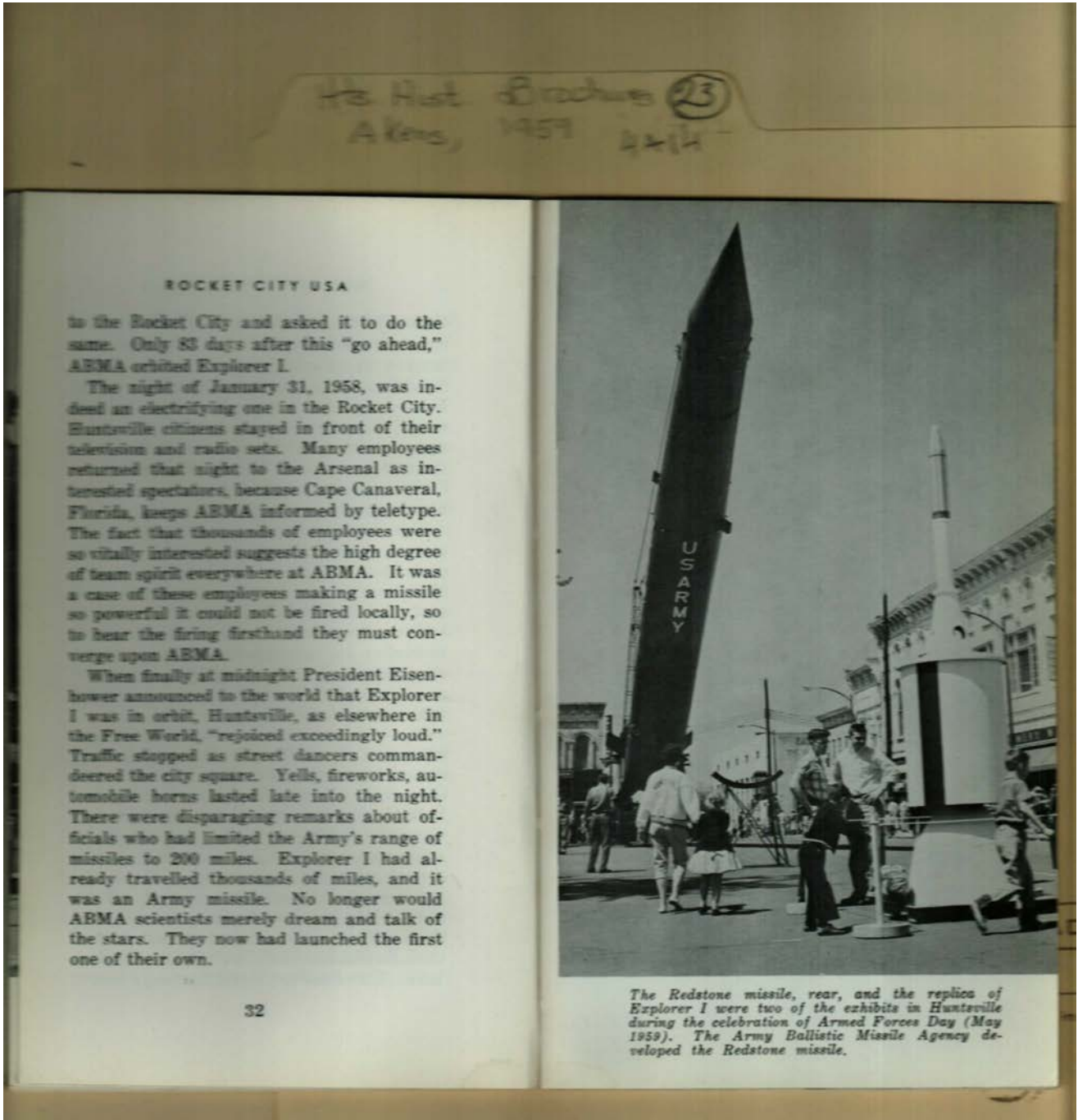
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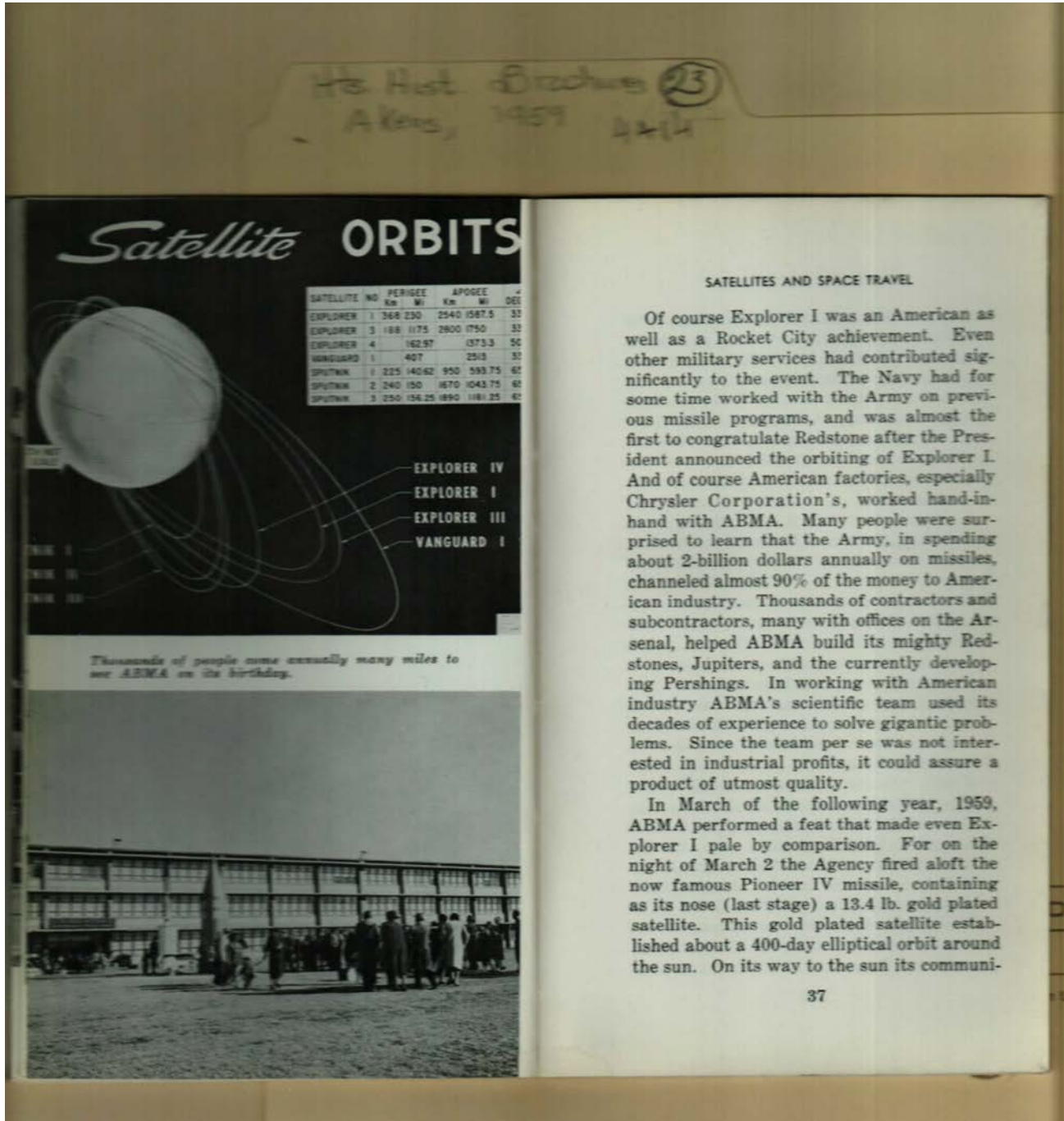
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Jupiter Missile

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**Names:**

ABMA Birthday  
Gathering

Chrysler Corporation  
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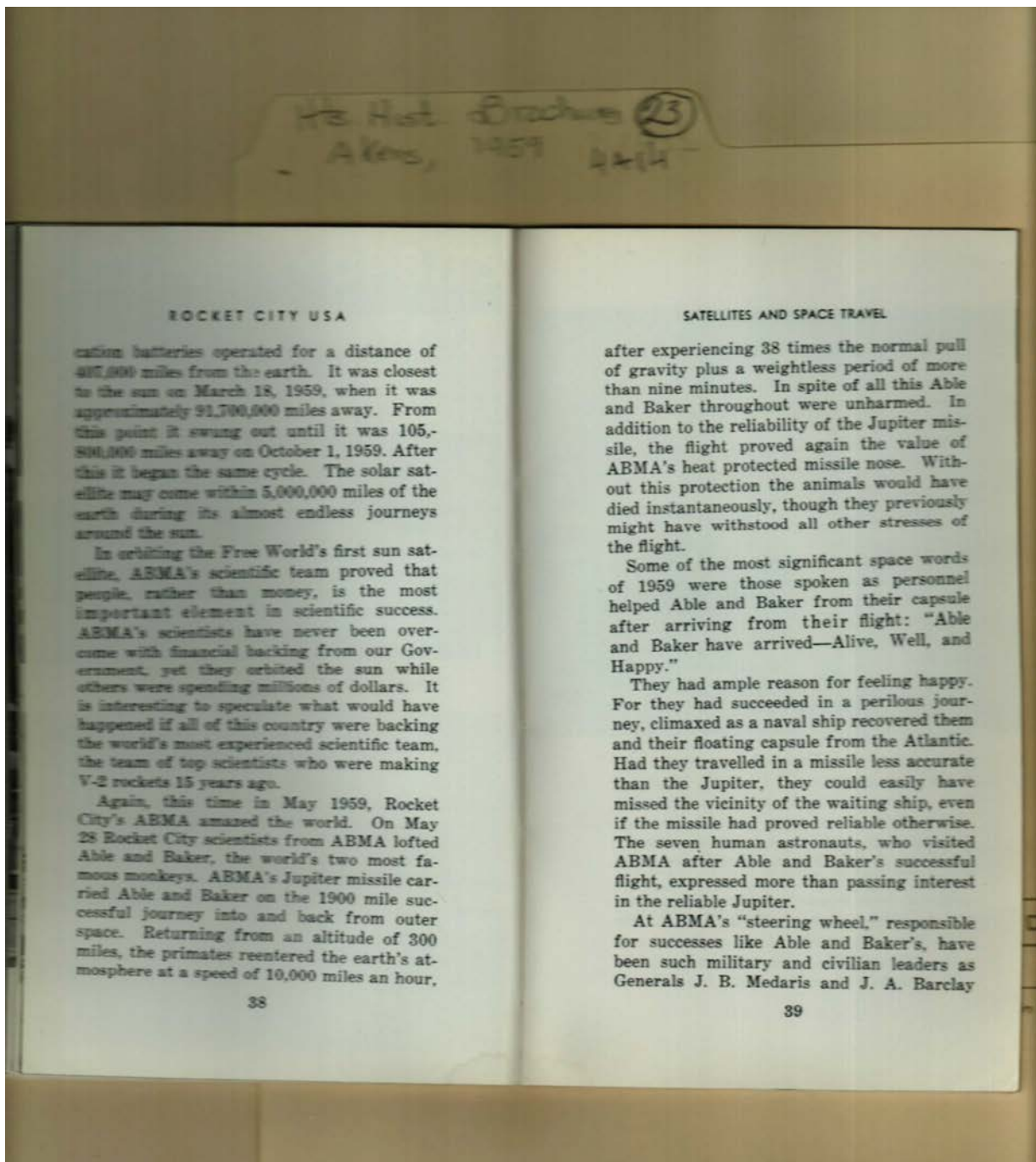
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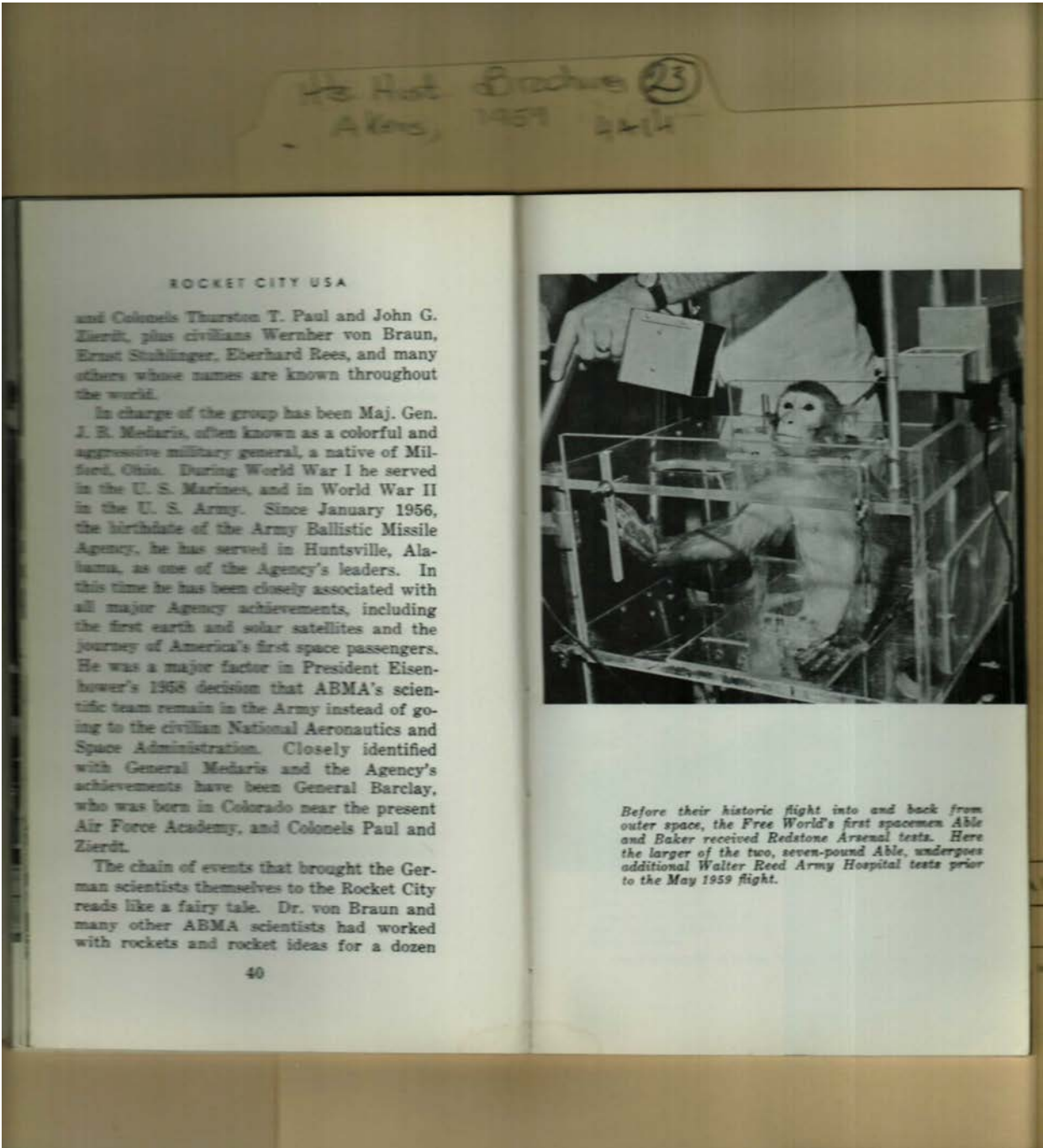
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Colonel  
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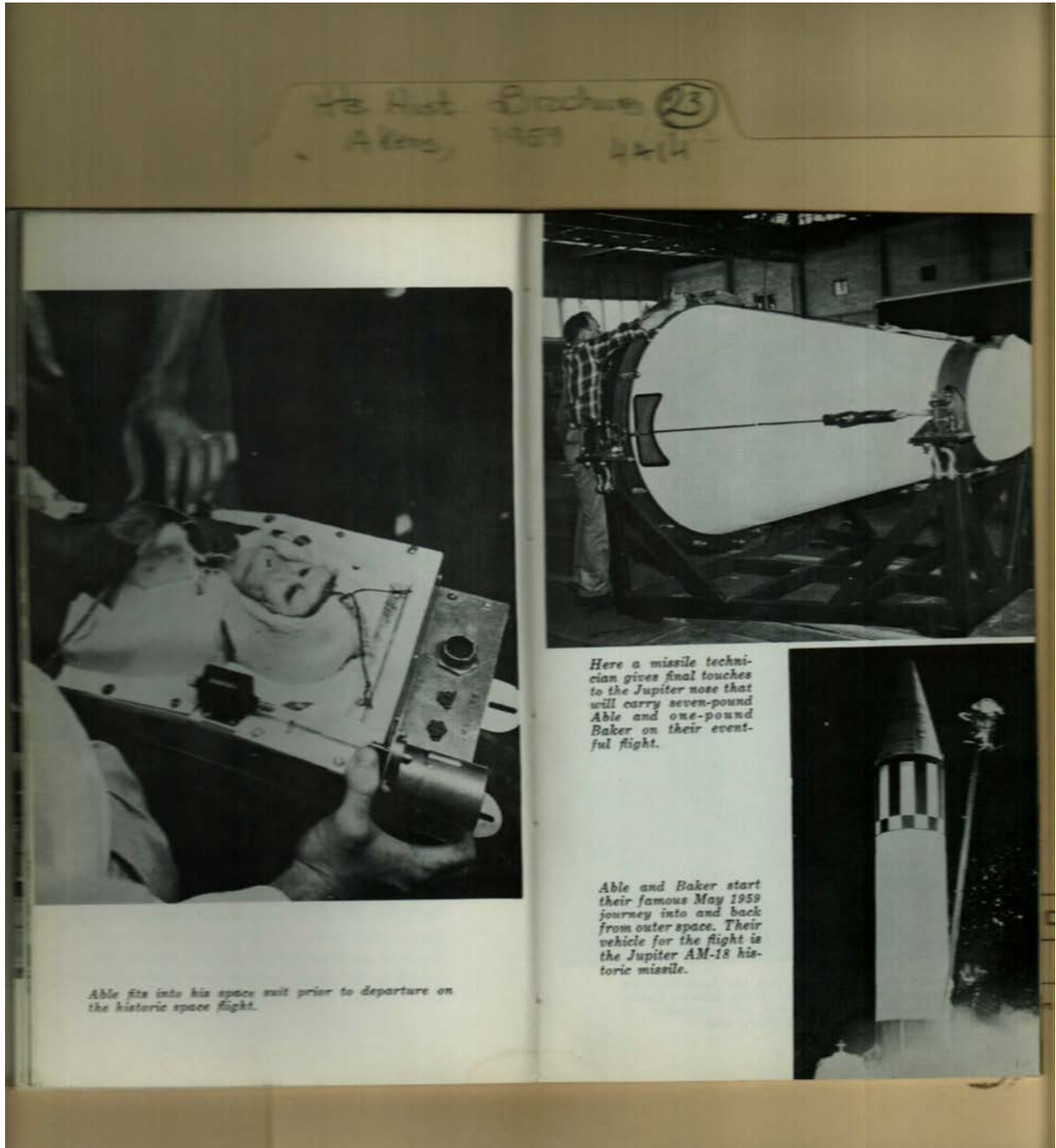
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Launch

Able's Space Suit  
Jupiter Missile Nose

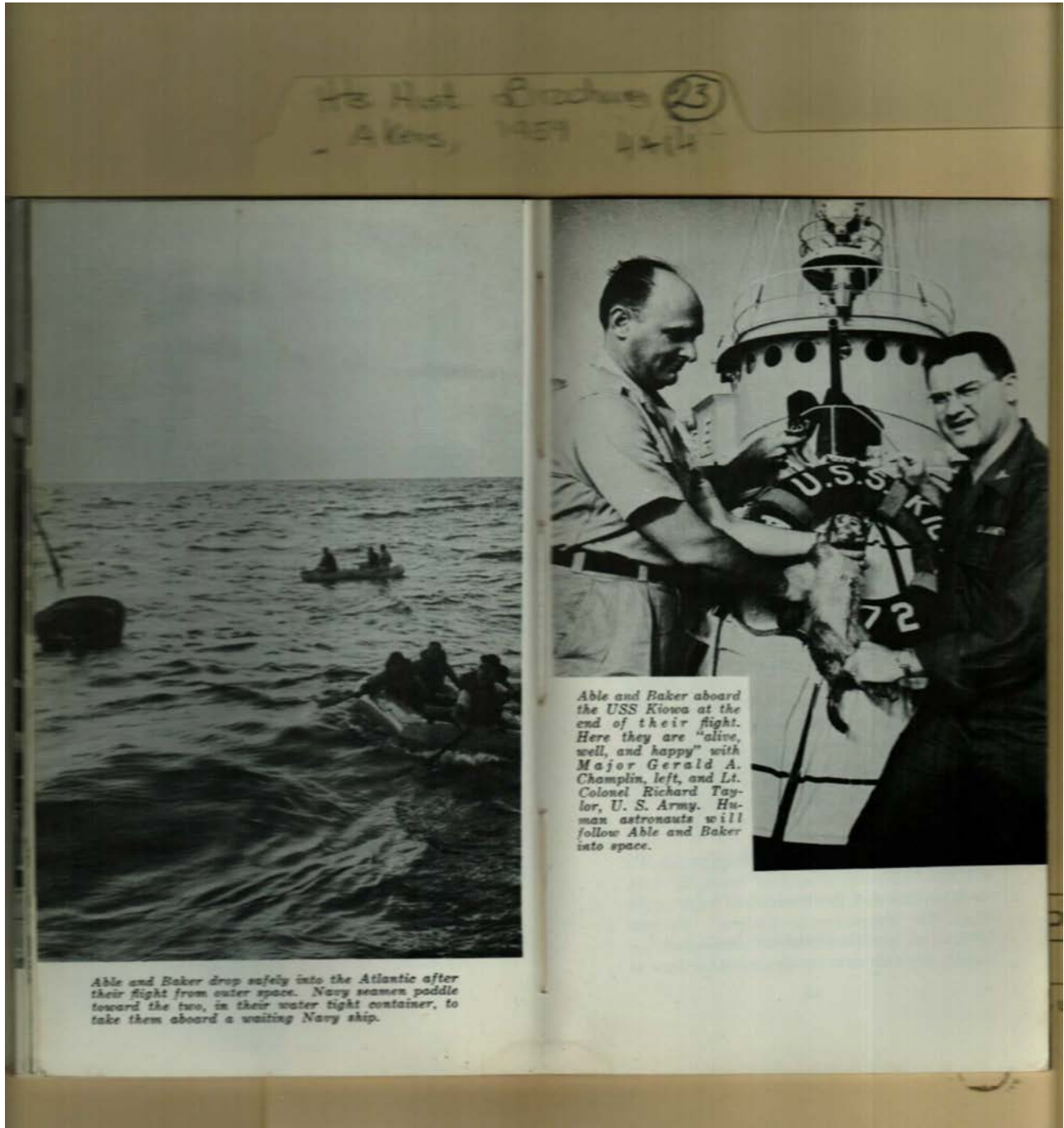
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Ocean

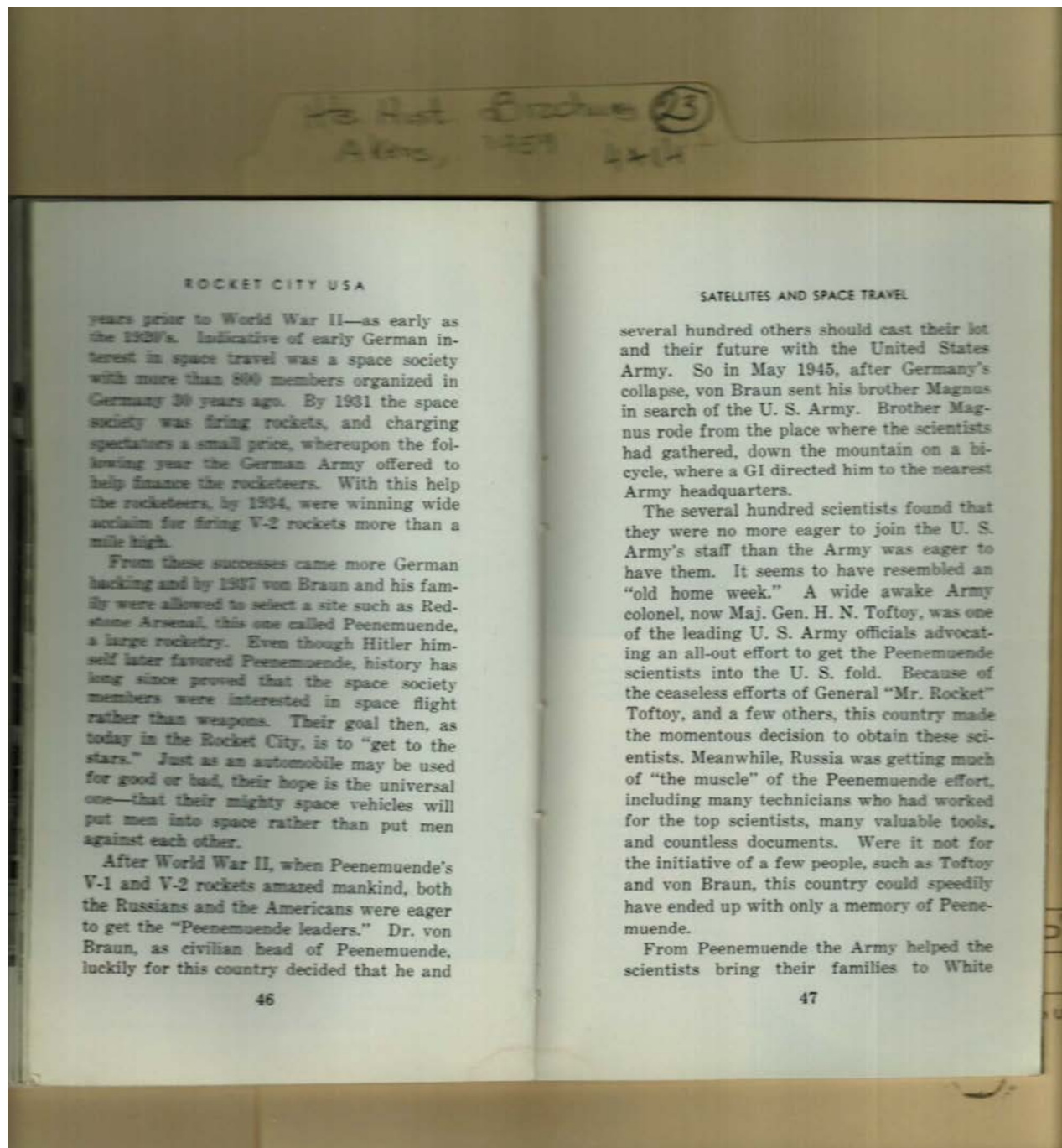
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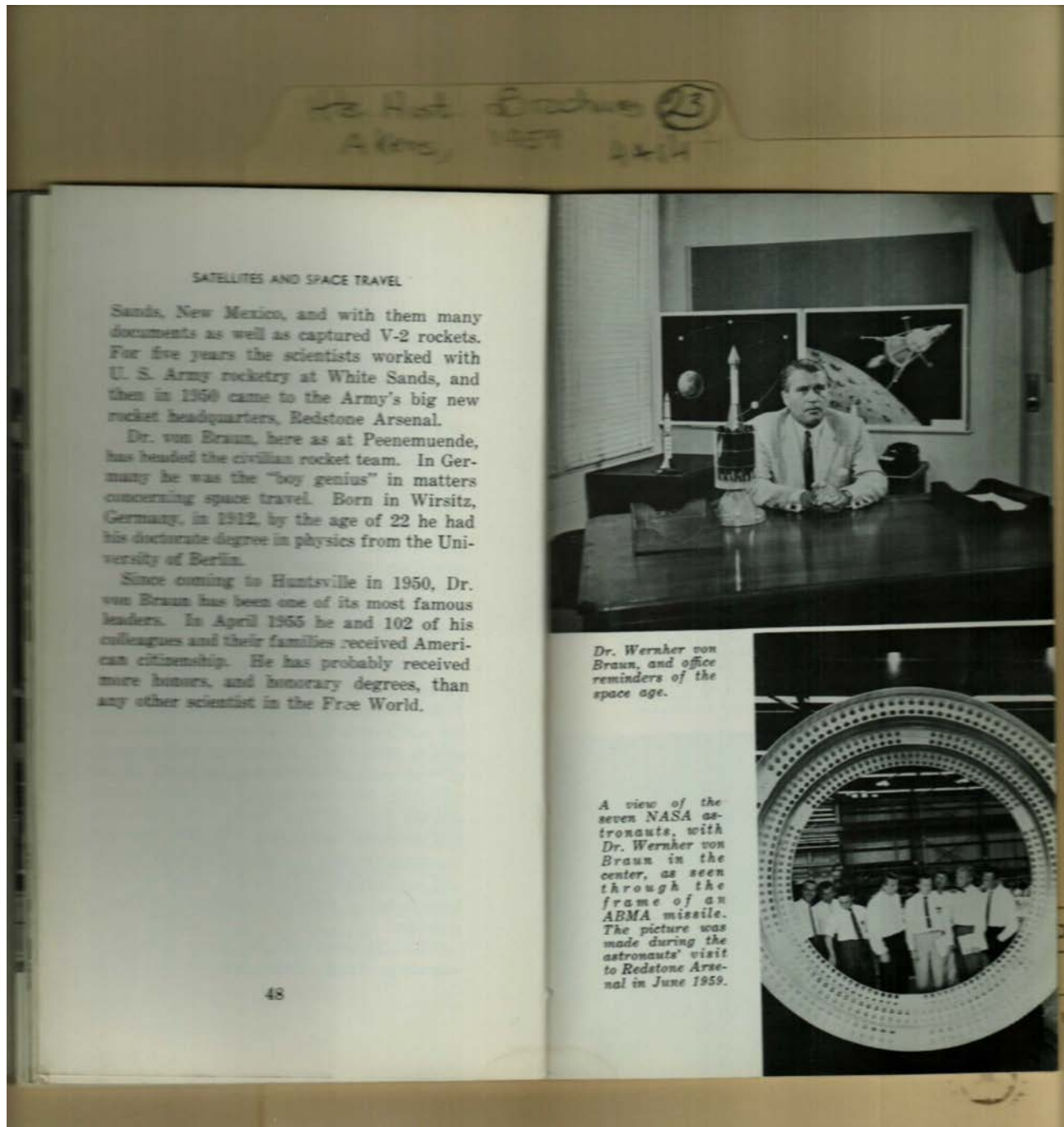
Penemunde

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General

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**Types:**

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**Names:**

Astronauts  
von Braun, Dr.

von Braun, Wernher,  
Dr.

**Types:**

booklet

photograph





**Names:**

Barclay, J. A., Brig.  
General  
Daughters of Dr.  
Wernher von Braun

Hummermann,  
Walter, Dr.  
Medaris, John, Major  
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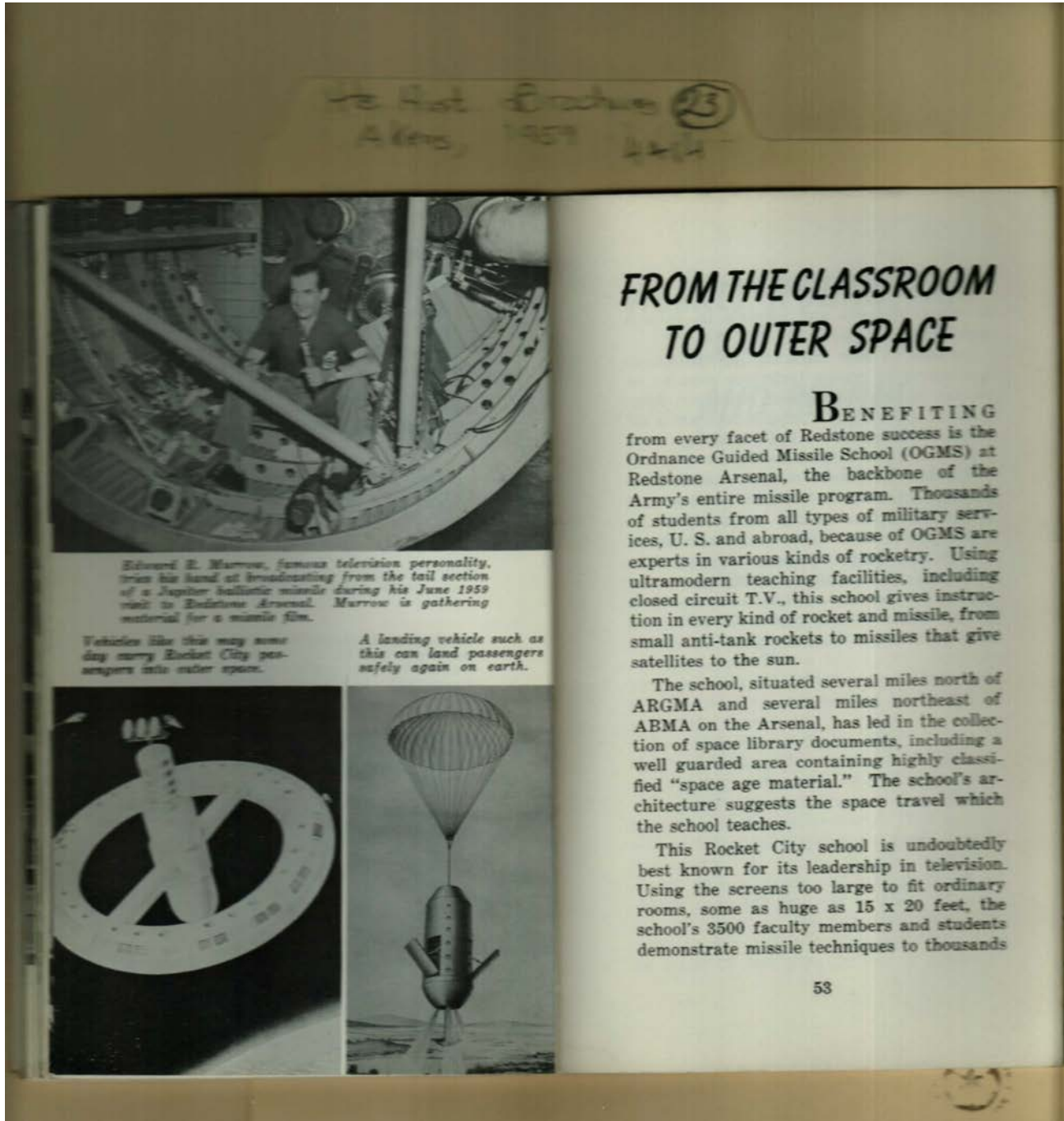
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Dr.

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Edward E. Murrow, famous television personality, tries his hand at broadcasting from the tail section of a Jupiter ballistic missile during his June 1959 visit to Redstone Arsenal. Murrow is gathering material for a missile film.

Vehicles like this may some day carry Rocket City passengers into outer space.

A landing vehicle such as this can land passengers safely again on earth.

## FROM THE CLASSROOM TO OUTER SPACE

**B**ENEFITING from every facet of Redstone success is the Ordnance Guided Missile School (OGMS) at Redstone Arsenal, the backbone of the Army's entire missile program. Thousands of students from all types of military services, U. S. and abroad, because of OGMS are experts in various kinds of rocketry. Using ultramodern teaching facilities, including closed circuit T.V., this school gives instruction in every kind of rocket and missile, from small anti-tank rockets to missiles that give satellites to the sun.

The school, situated several miles north of ARGMA and several miles northeast of ABMA on the Arsenal, has led in the collection of space library documents, including a well guarded area containing highly classified "space age material." The school's architecture suggests the space travel which the school teaches.

This Rocket City school is undoubtedly best known for its leadership in television. Using the screens too large to fit ordinary rooms, some as huge as 15 x 20 feet, the school's 3500 faculty members and students demonstrate missile techniques to thousands

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Murrow, Edward R.  
OGMS

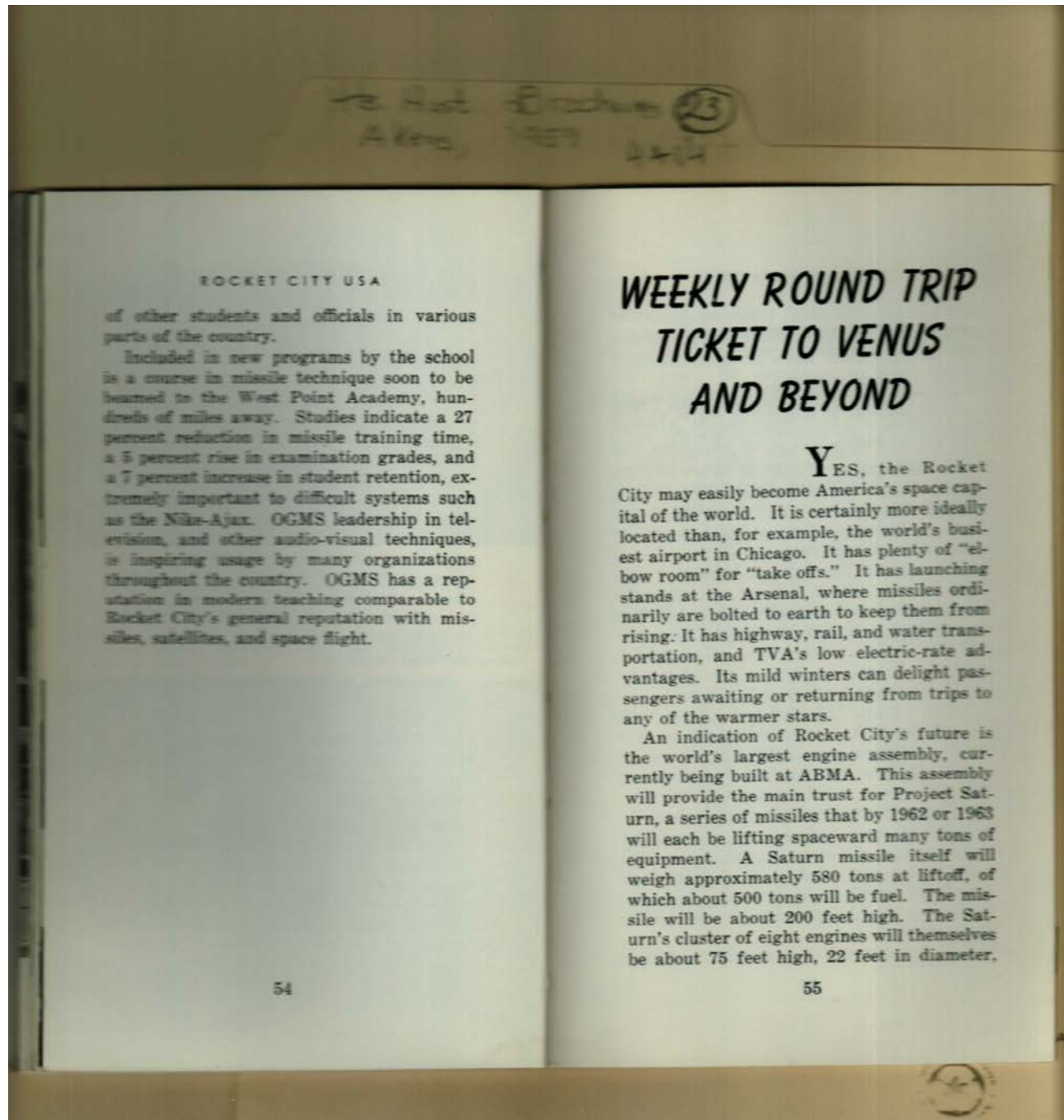
Ordnance Guided  
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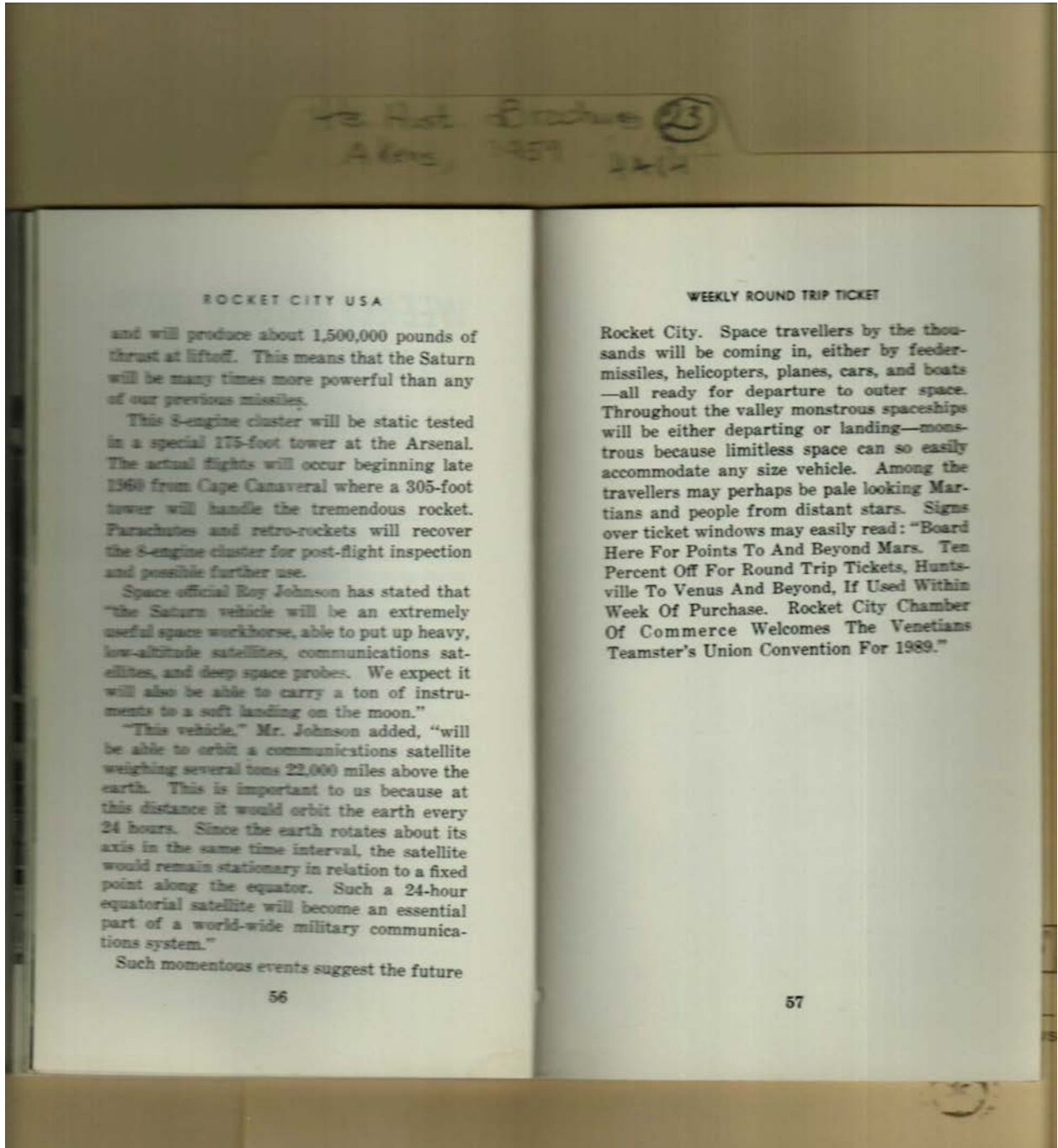
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Round Trip to Venus  
and Beyond

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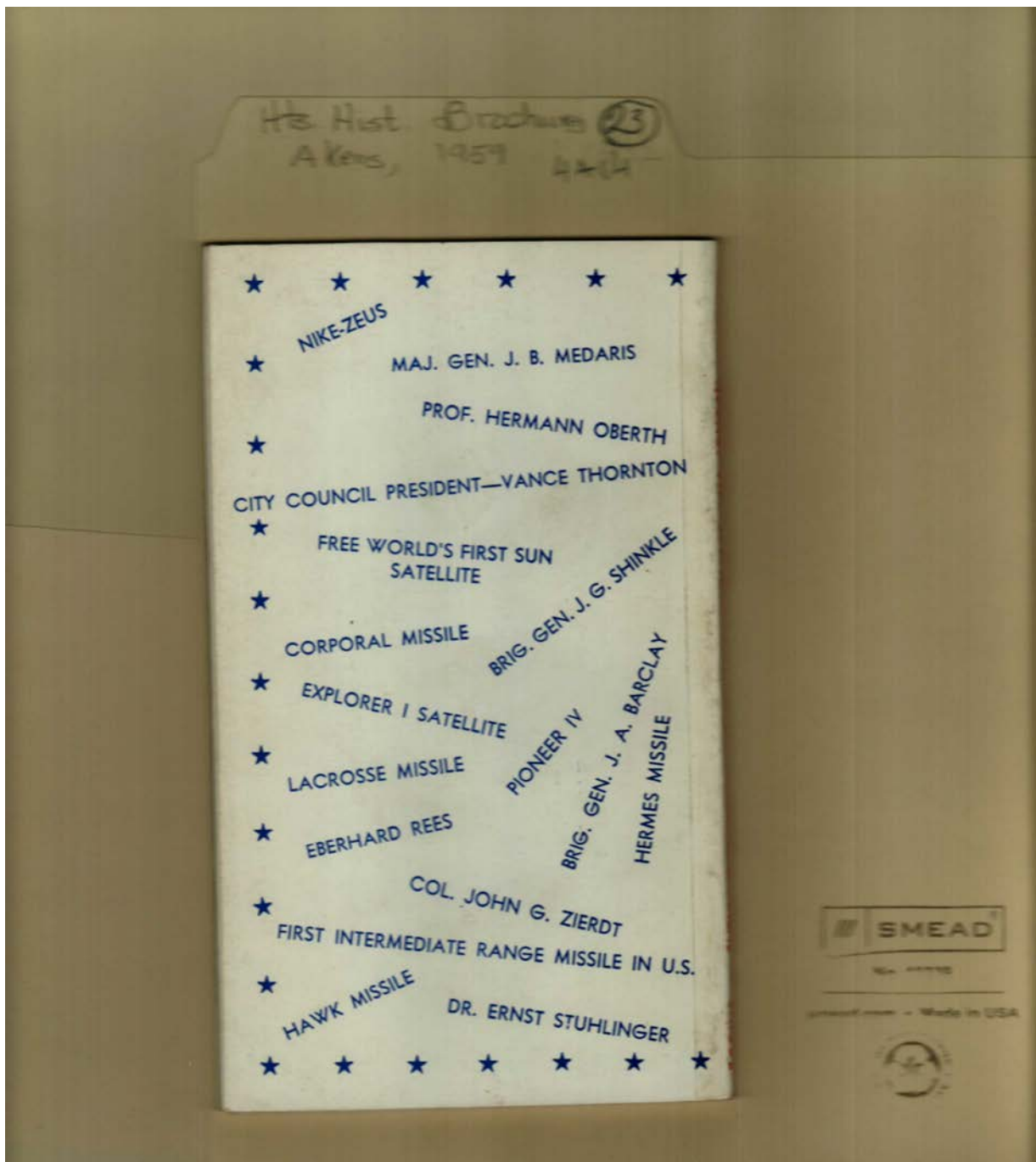
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Prof.  
Rees, Eberhard

Shinkle, J. G., Brig.  
General  
Stuhlinger, Ernst, Dr.  
Thornton, Vance

Zierdt, John G.,  
Colonel

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