



PFC. RICHARD HASKINS

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HASKINS MAKES QUICK CHANGE FROM CIVILIAN PH. D. TO PFC.

BY ANN RICHARDS

Before coming to Redstone in May 1953, Richard Haskins was known as Doctor Haskins. Today Pfc. Haskins, he is doing research on a variety of projects in ML's Research Division under the supervision of Dr. Eugene Miller.

Pfc. Haskins is representative of 10 per cent of the soldiers stationed at Redstone, as that num-

ber have one or more college degrees, according to a recent survey.

Dick is from Columbus, Ohio. He has studied at Miami University in Oxford, Ohio, and at the University of Texas where he received a B. S. in electrical engineering. During these four years, Dick was sent to school by the U. S. Navy under its educational program. As a civilian he attended Ohio State University where he received a Ph. D. in physics.

At the age of 27, this young physicist has gained practical experience in addition to a Ph. D. degree. While still in college, he taught undergraduate courses. Dick has also worked for the Atomic Energy Commission at Los Alamos, New Mexico, and at General Electric on the Aircraft Nuclear Propulsion Project.

Even becoming a soldier has resulted in giving Pfc. Haskins experience, as he is learning about rocket research while stationed at Redstone. In swapping his title of Ph. D. for Pfc. for the period while he is a soldier, Dick has gained invaluable experience, and Redstone has had the privilege of having this well-trained physicist do basic research on some of its projects.

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