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Army sets out to update processing of remains Military concerned about Yallen soldiers'

my soberly has set out to moderne the process of handling the re-ains of fallen soldiers, convinced at the military logistics of death we become outdated.

Among the concerns that now are ing discussed are how the remains soldiers killed as a result of nuar, chemical or biological war ould be recovered and handled; at new technologies are available use in a war zone to assist in idenation of remains, and what can done to automate the process of cking remains through what is a maze of paperwork

Those concerns, particularly that a war fought in a "dirty environnt" of nuclear or chemical conination, already have led a study up to confront the need for new pment such as radiation detecand a new type of pouch to hanremains

The overhaul of procedures for task of retrieving and transport-combat casualties has been en-sted to a unit, the Graves Reser-

WASHINGTON (AP) - The vation Work Group. It was formed uled to meet again this week. The after the Army's Quartermaster School completed a critical study last August, concluding that the military was still relying on methods dating to World War II.

"This has not been a subject that's been popular and so it's been somewhat ignored," says Gary L. Wieting, a logistics specialist on the Army's Pentagon staff who heads the work-

ing group. The group also is exploring the touchy subject of performing temporary burials in a war zone until remains can be transported home, and has asked the chief of chaplains to develop a non-denominational memorial service "for non-clergy per-sonnel to perform at temporary interments.

"We don't plan to do that unless we absolutely have to," says Wieting. "But if we are forced to inter, we will absolutely go back. That is our na-tional policy. We will always go back and bring those boys home.

Wieting's group held its first meeting last October and is sched-

Navy delays plan

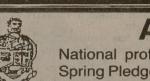
work probably won't be completed before the fall of 1988.

Under military procedures, the Army bears primary responsibility for handling the combat casualties of all services

According to Wieting, his group has a relatively simple charten — use fresh approaches "to carry graves registration into the 21st century; to quickly and reverently recover and evacuate remains . . . on the future battlefield.

Although the study performed by the Quartermaster School is classified, an unclassified executive summary has been released. It discloses recommendations to the working group to consider automating the Army's system for identifying and handling remains, including the purchase of mini-computers for graves reservation specialists.

It also calls for research in such areas as the use of bar-code tags that can be scanned electronically to keep track of casualties as they are transported home.



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Woman raped after warning she has AIDS ATLANTIC CITY, N.J. (AP)

A woman claims she was sexally assaulted by a man, even afer she told him she was infected with AIDS, police said.

The woman said she was sitting n the steps of a building early aturday when a man grabbed er, dragged her into an alley nd assaulted her, said Detective apt. Benn Polk.

The 26-year-old woman, shom Polk did not identify, was aken to the Atlantic City Medical enter after the assault.

The Sunday Press of Atlantic y said it learned from sources hat the woman has a record of rrests on prostitution charges nd carries a medical identificaon card stating she has AIDS. Detective Daniel Loen was in-

stigating the case. Acquired immune deficiency ndrome is a fatal illness that bs the body of its disease-fightng ability. It is most often trans-nitted by contaminated hypoderneedles and by intimate xual contact.

after drone losses WASHINGTON (AP) Navy, after losing four of five "eyein-the-sky" drone aircraft worth from \$250,000 to \$400,000 apiece, has suspended a program to equip warships with the pilotless planes,

military sources say. The embarrassing losses, involv-ing drones dispatched recently with the battleship Iowa, occurred over the past month and most recently on Feb. 6, said the sources, who asked not to be named.

Four of the five drones dis-patched were lost, they said. One source said the four drones "are in little bitty pieces." The cost of the drones depends upon what surveillance and camera equipment they carry.

The Navy already had opened an investigation into the string of accidents, the sources said. The service suspects a number of causes, but believes one problem might involve the remote control system for the pilotless planes.

"Ône of them was lost at sea when the engine cut off," one source said.

"But one of them hit the fantail of the ship and the other two hit the (retrieval) stanchions and were obliterated.

Last Jan. 8, Pentagon spokesman Robert Sims announced with some fanfare that the Iowa had become the first U.S. Navy ship to be equipped with RPVs, or Remotely Piloted Vehicles.

Sims said the amphibious assault ship Tarawa had conducted some initial tests of the drones in the Pacific last year and that the Iowa had conducted a final series of successful tests in December off the coast of Virginia. Those December tests led to the system being declared operational, Sims said.

The drone, which the Navy has dubbed the Pioneer, resembles a model airplane with a wing span of roughly 16 feet.

The planes originally were de-signed to take off and land from the ground. But the Navy developed the netting-retrieval system with an eye toward providing its ships with an extra surveillance capability.

American Lemon Club president tells how to handle bad car deal

their own hands and shooting their

cars, driving them through showroom windows or beating them to

death.

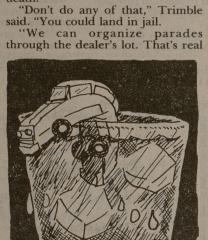
COVINGTON, Ky. (AP) — mon owners of the world unite! as obnoxious as necessary if 've been stuck with a bad car don't shoot it or beat it to death, ises the president of the Ameri-

Lemon Club, Pat Trimble. Keep after these people," she "Put everything in writing. n't let up. Put lemons in your car. mg signs on your car saying where a bought your lemon....Don't let am tell you — like the dealer did to - that it's all in your head.'

eople in 15 states have told her want to join her American on Club to send a message to automobile industry, and more a 100 people were expected at an anizational meeting Monday, he from as far away as New Ennd and Canada.

The phone's really been ringing ay," co-founder Paul O'Connell Monday. "I no sooner put the ne down than it rings again." O'Connell has a file with thou-

ds of newspaper reports of on owners taking action into



effective if they have been ignoring

Trimble said she knew she had a problem with her 1984 car the day she bought it. "I got it home and the engine sounded like it was missing," she said. "I lifted up the hood, looked around and then closed it. When I closed it, some paint flew off.

"My rear-view mirror fell off when I was driving. I had to drive with my left hand and hold the mir-ror with my right," she said. "When I wanted to shift, I had to put the mirror in my lap.

Then there were bad brakes, a faulty transmission, non-functioning windshield wipers, doors that leaked when it rained, headlights that burned out in a flash and a speed-ometer that worked only part-time.

"I got a speeding ticket in New-port, so I brought all of my work orders and repair bills to court. The judge threw out my ticket. He said, This lady has enough problems.'

Trimble placed newspaper ads last August and threw a lemon party in the parking lot of her beauty supply business in Erlanger. She served lemonade, lemon drops and lemon cookies and attracted enough interested people to form the club.

Shiites raise blockade, allow refugees leave Palestinian camp to buy food

EIRUT, Lebanon (AP) — Shiite ems lifted a four-month block-Monday and let food trucks entwo small Palestinian refugee ps in south Lebanon, but there no indication of an end to the

00 cans of sardines and 564 canof skim milk in al-Bass and rj el-Shamali, near the port of

filitiamen of the Shiite militia al also allowed thousands of Palian women and children from nuch larger Rashidiyeh camp to el two miles to Tyre to buy food. men emerged from the camp, ing capture by the Shiites.

Amal allowed a U.N. convoy carrying food to enter Beirut's Bourj el-Barajneh camp Saturday only after an equal amount of food was delivered to the surrounding Shiite slums.

p siege in Beirut. he United Nations said the four ks unloaded 47 tons of flour, Shiite gunmen from Amal have blockaded the three camps 50 miles south of Beirut since Oct. 1 as part south of Beirut since Oct. 1 as part of a campaign to keep Palestine Liberation Organization chief Yasser Arafat from regaining the Lebanese base he lost with the 1982 Israeli invasion.

> A police source in Tyre said Amal gunmen allowed the convoy to enter the two smaller camps only after they confiscated "one-third of the flour.

In Beirut, officials of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency, which donated the food, would not comment on the police report.

Police said two people were killed and five wounded Monday in skirmishes around Bourj el-Barajneh and Chatilla, the south Beirut camps that are surrounded by Shiite slums and have been besieged since Nov. 24. Tens of thousands of Palestinians live in the two camps.

The latest casualties raised the toll in three months of Shiite-Palestinian fighting to at least 568 killed and 1,459 wounded, by police count. The war has continued intermittently since May 1985, with thousands of dead or wounded.

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