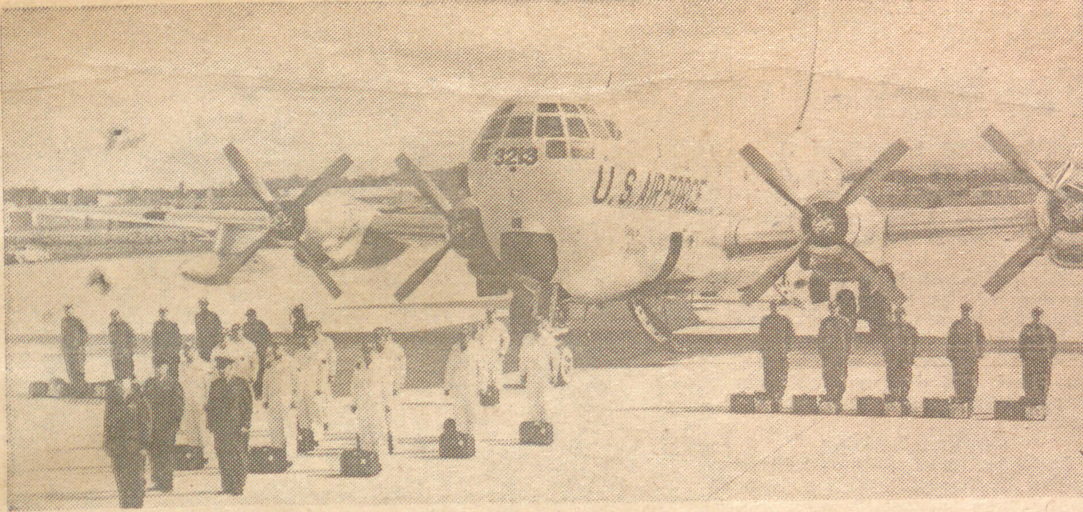




INSPECTION—Crews of the 71st and 3241st ARS chosen to represent Dow AFB at the Bombing, Navigation and Air Refueling Competition are ready for inspection by Wing Commander Col. George W. R. Zethren. The crews of Captain Moran and Captain Rauniker were selected to represent Dow at the meet.

DOW—HOME OF THE ORIGINAL AIR REFUELING WING



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CDS Men To Attend Bomb Competition

Every once in a while one finds that good duty is rewarded. This was the case for ten Combat Defense Sq. personnel who were chosen to go TDY to the SAC Bomb Competition at Homestead AFB, Florida for about 16 days. The ten men left on a KC 97. The CDF personnel will provide Honor Guards at the competition.

The men were chosen on the basis of merit and are the cream of the CDF corp. This sort of duty does wonders in producing better work from the remainder of the troops as well as boosting morale quite a bit.



A/IC Charles Smith

75th FIS Man Has Top Score

A/IC Charles E. Smith of the 75th Fighter Interceptor Squadron has been cited for recording the highest AFSC test score for a period of one year. By virtue of having a score of 235 in the Production Control test, and having had that score published for one year in the AIR FORCE TIMES without challenge as to its being the highest in its field, Airman Smith was declared top scorer by Air Force Record Officials.

Airman Smith is currently a maintenance control operator for the Fighting 75th here at Dow, a key position, vital to the squadron and the Air Defense Mission.

Reenlistment Honor Roll

Nine more Dow airmen have decided to make the AF a career and this week join the reenlistment honor roll. They are:

MSgt. Michael Scotzin, Hqs. Combat Support Group. Hailing from Reinerton, Pa., Sgt. Scotzin is a veteran of more than 15 years service and has reenlisted for four more years.

A/IC Maurice Simmons, 75th FIS, comes from Friendship, Maine and has reupped for four more years.

A/IC Henry R. Raymond, Jr., 4060th Organizational Maintenance Squadron. Henry comes from Hillsboro, Wash., and has reenlisted for six years.

A/IC Paul Last, AACS Detachment. Airman Last is from Buffalo, N. Y. and has decided to stay for six more years.

A2c Micheal Gerling of the 4060th Organizational Squadron. Mike comes from Utica, N. Y., and has reenlisted for an additional four years.

A2c Thomas O'Neil, 4060th Operations Sq. Tom is from Monument Beach in Mass.

A2c Edward Frazier, 4060th Field Maintenance Sq. He is from the Bronx in New York and has reenlisted for a new four year hitch.

A2c Michael Stevens, 75th FIS. He's from Peru, Ind., and has reenlisted for four years.

A2c Forrest Sission III, AACS Detachment. He's from Lansing, Mich., and has reenlisted for four more years.

Dow Librarian Attends SAC-FSU Workshop

HQ. SAC (SAC PS) — A command-wide library workshop, the first of its type ever held in the armed forces, was held Oct. 21-24 at Florida State University at Tallahassee, according to Miss Georgia Cavin, SAC librarian.

Miss Pricilla Dodge, Dow's base librarian attended this workshop. She has promised the Tanker Times a complete report upon her return.

Arranged through the FSU Library School, the workshop provided academic instruction and laboratory work in the latest methods and techniques in the library field, and "current instruction to enable SAC librarians to present a base library program equal to the best progressive public library."

Crews Start For Refueling Meet

The SAC World Series of Bombing is all set to go. Four crews from each wing will represent Pease at McCoy and Homestead AFBs in Florida. With all sorts of local news coverage the Pease contingents will depart the base the first of next week and attempt to bring back the most coveted SAS Flying honors.

Hqs. Sq. Dayroom Gets Renovation

By M SGT. A. E. MARTEL

Hq. Sq. was a beehive of activity over the past week. The second floor dayroom is in the process of renovation. Flower boxes are being made and pictures are being framed and covered with plastic. The bulk of the squadron efforts are being directed by M. Sgt. Yeandel our Ground Training NCO.

A/IC Whorten passed his three level test with a score of 148 which should be considered a record. His test pertained to the Statistical Service field.

The Deputy Commander for Services Major McKeegan and his cohorts at the Service Club did an excellent job Wednesday 7 October 1959 in bringing Glenn Miller's band to the base for everyone's enjoyment.

The Education program headed by M. Sgt. Heron is rapidly heading towards top slot in the rating system. A little more steam and we are there men.

The many awards and trophies will be presented by General Thomas S. Power, CINC-SAC, to the winners and will be reported to The Viking as soon as they are announced. Local newspapers will carry the day by day account of the event as many of them have on-the-spot reporters, transported by USAF aircraft bound for "Bombing's Battle of the Best."

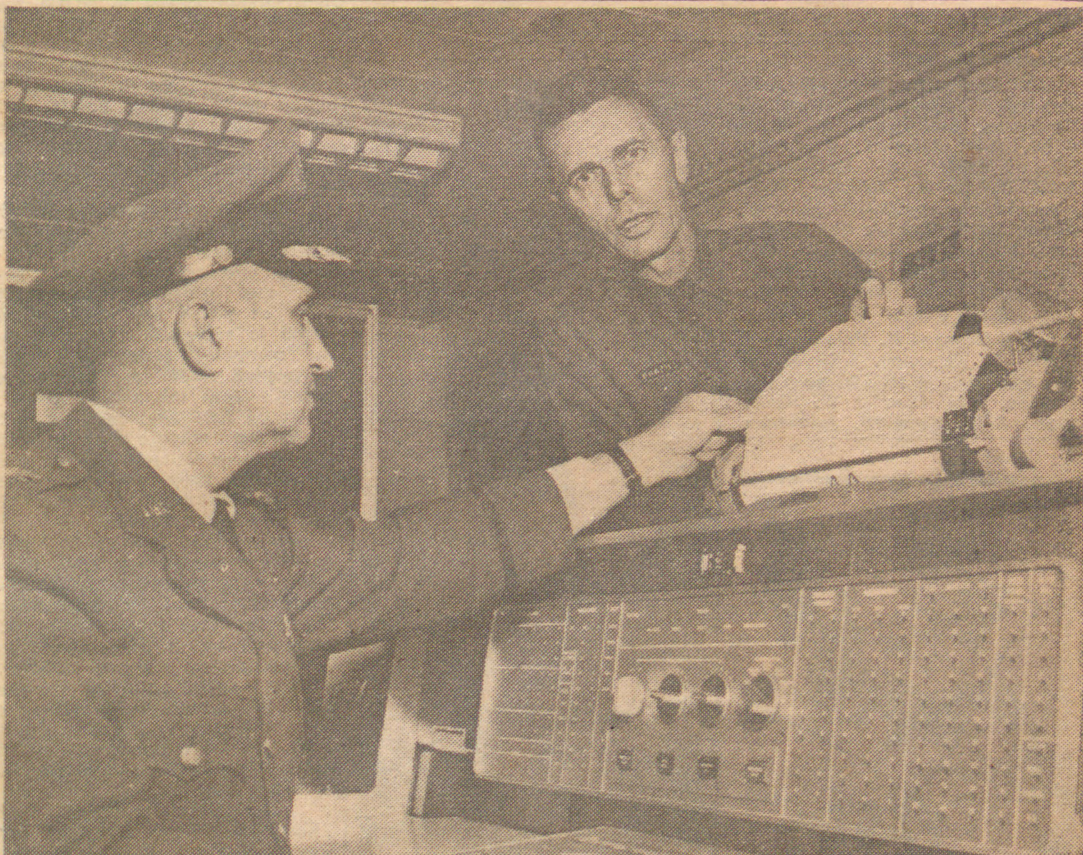
Representing Dow in the refueling end of the contest are the crews of Captain Eugene Rauniker 71st ARS and Captain Joseph Moran, 341st ARS. These crews departed Dow yesterday for Homestead, AFB, Fla., where tankers in the contest will be based.

From eight to ten miles high, SAC's top jet bombers and crews will make runs on three American cities during the last week in October.

Residents of these "targets," however, will be undisturbed by the theoretical destruction raining down on them.

The bombers, manned by the finest crews of the Strategic Air Command, will be pitting their deadly skills against each other.

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RAMAC—Dow's new RAMAC machine prints the daily financial statement of the Base Supply Account as Col. George W. R. Zethren, Wing Commander, and Captain William A. Brazill, Assistant Base Supply Officer look on. The information is stored in RAMAC's "memory drums" and is made available to the Base Supply Officer and the Financial Services division. The entire operation is complete in just seven minutes. The same job previously took three people and the facilities of the base machine room five days to complete.

Dow RAMAC In Operation

An electronic "Random Access Method of Accounting" (RAMAC) was completed here this week as Base Supply's new data processing machine went into full operation.

Wing Commander Colonel George W. R. Zethren cut a ribbon in ceremonies early this week to officially inaugurate the new supply system.

The new IBM equipment eliminates the use of outdated card systems by recording the information on thousands of supply items on two magnetic "memory drums." The machine is capable of handling a total of 76,000 items.

According to Major Louis Bernfeld, Base Supply Officer, RAMAC operates in terms of milliseconds to automatically prepare requisitions, determine status and availability of supply items, find substitutes when necessary and provide complete information on as many as the 76,000 items mentioned previously.

The RAMAC can type a full line of numerals and letters with-

out error in only eight tenths of a second. When new information is fed to RAMAC, the machine automatically brings a 11 other related information up to date.

Primary benefit of the new system is improvement in supply management. RAMAC provides accurate, orderly control of millions of dollars worth of supply items, and can be used to forecast future monetary requirements.

Last year, Dow's supply office handled more than 197 million dollars worth of items ranging from pencils and paper clips to massive aircraft parts.

The new RAMAC is one of eight in use in the Strategic Air Command and is one of 400 in use throughout the United States.

According to IBM officials, the cost of the RAMAC plus related equipment such as key-punch ma-

chines and sorters, is estimated at about \$300,000. These machines are rented to SAC bases at a monthly rental of approximately \$5,500.

Directing the Dow conversion was a team from Eighth Air Force headquarters headed by Captain H. S. Litman and CWO F. E. Riedy. Eight other Eighth Air Force NCO's and airmen assisted in the conversion.

The Dow RAMAC console operators attended an eight week indoctrination course at Offutt AFB, Omaha, Neb., while the punch card operators were trained here at Dow.

Under the supervision of MSgt. John Hoyt, the Dow RAMAC will be manned by TSgt. Donald Burrill, SSgt. Kenneth Gulliford, SSgt. Robert Butler and SSgt. Gerald Herrick.



FAMILY AFFAIR—For the first time in the history of the Armed Forces, brothers have attained four-star general rank, General Charles D. Palmer (left), replaces his brother, Gen. Williston B. Palmer (right) as Deputy U. S. Commander-in-Chief, Europe. Air Force Gen. Lauris Norstad (center), SHAPE Commander, participates in this unique change of command ceremony.

Installations Airmen Receive HS Diplomas

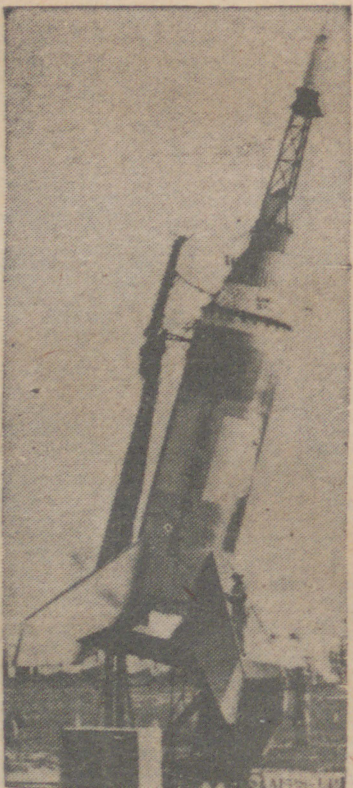
During the period extending from 15 March through 15 October 1959, thirty airmen assigned to the 4060 INSTALLATIONS SQUADRON have received their high school diplomas through the General Education Development program here at Dow. Those airmen awarded the G.E.D. High School Diploma are as follows:

A-3C Jack C. Burnett, A-3C Forrest R. Cain, A-3C Harry G. Eyestone, A-2C Carl B. Fairchild, A-3C John T. Funicello, SSG Fredrick C. Hallsworth, A-2C James A. Johnson, A-3C Kenneth Jones, A-3C Lee W. Jones, A-2C Patrick E. Kartes, A-3C Robert J. Kish, A-3C William H. Lanoux, A-2C Carl B. Livingood, A-2C Henry N. Olivera, A-2C Junior D. Patton,

SSGT Edward B. Pelotte, A-3C Curtis A. Petersen, A-2C James T. Phillips, A-1C William R. Rapkin, A-2C Charles W. Riechman, A-3C Glen W. Roberson,

A-3C George B. Robertson, A-3C Terrance D. Soucy, A-3C Harold D. Spencer, A-3C Robert D. Staley, A-1C Frank D. Walter, A-2C Ananias Watts, A-3C James E. Wheeler, A-3C Francis E. Woods, SSGT. Wayne D. Yancy.

An extensive education program conducted within Installations has been in full force since the beginning of 1959 and has enabled 70 per cent of the squadron to acquire increased knowledge in fields of their choice.



LITTLE JOE — In the first publicly released picture of the Little Joe Booster rocket, it is shown bearing an incomplete model of the capsule that will carry the first American into space. A Project Mercury astronaut will ride in the section just above the cylindrical part of the rocket where it tapers into a cone.

French AF CS Visits SAC Hq

HQ. SAC (SAC PS) — Gen. Edmond Jouhaud, Chief of Staff, French Air Force, visited SAC Headquarters recently. He was briefed and toured the underground command post.

Crews Start For Meet

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other in one of the Free World's most meaningful contests — the 11th annual SAC Bombing-Navigation - Air Refueling Competition.

Flowing across their bomb-sight screens will be radar images of industrial centers and other areas that might resemble targets in an enemy's heartland, targets SAC can reach and destroy if this nation is attacked and forced to retaliate.

Constant Training

SAC lives by a motto — "Peace Is Our Profession." It is a creed based upon a sound principle, that by maintaining a powerful and always - alert striking force you can discourage aggression.

Through constant training missions, SAC bomb crews have demonstrated their ability to deal a lethal counterblow to any nation foolish enough to strike this country.

SAC B-47 medium and B-52 heavy bombers will fly out of McCoy Air Force Base, near Orlando, Fla. KC-97 and KC-135 tanker aircraft, making their debut in the competition, will be stationed at Homestead Air Force Base, Miami, Fla.

SAC added the air refueling phase to the tourney this year to give a more complete picture of command operations. The tankers give SAC's streamlined bomber force the intercontinental "legs" needed to get to targets anywhere in the world and back again.

Aiming points within the cities may be as small as the corner of a building or a factory smokestack. From 40,000 to 50,000 feet up, these points are virtually indistinguishable on a radar screen.

Radar target prediction, however, gives crews a method of finding their aiming points. And SAC's Radar Bomb Scoring procedures determine bombing accuracy down to a matter of a few feet.

Radar Bomb Scoring (RBS) units will be stationed near the aiming points in each city. Following bombers by tracking radar, and marking the exact point at which the non-existent bomb is released, RBS personnel compute quickly the point of impact and circular error margin from the aiming point.

As past RBS figures show, SAC bombardiers seldom miss by more than a negligible number of feet. Frequently they register direct hits — nicknamed "shacks" by men of the command.

The bombing runs alone make a stiff contest, but SAC adds other vital phases to make the competition realistic as possible.

Bombers and tankers also will be scored on a navigation leg. The competing aircraft must execute an aerial refueling mission, with both crews given ratings on their efficiency in transfer of fuel. B-47s will be teamed with KC-97s and B-52s with KC-135s during the refueling phase.

No Practice Runs

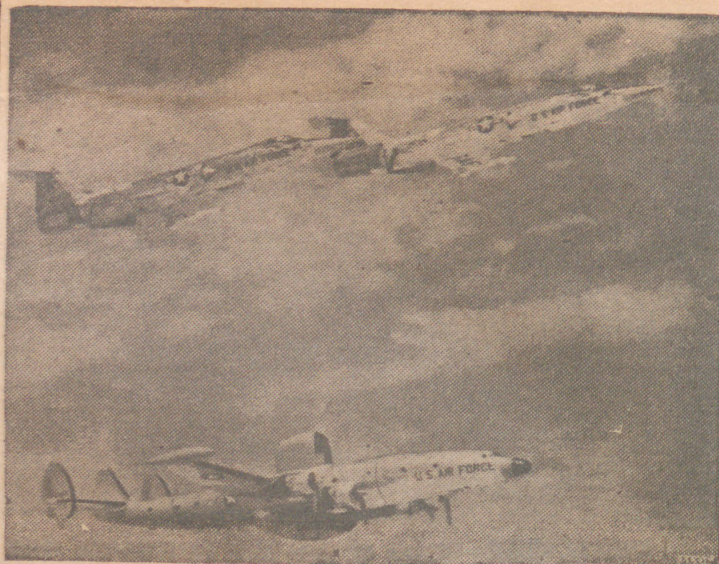
Each SAC unit will send two crews and one aircraft to the competition. Target photos and other mission briefing materials will be furnished to crews about two weeks prior to arrival at McCoy and Homestead. However, crews can't make "practice runs" over the target cities.

Maintenance personnel aren't overlooked in the flurry of activity that is the "Bomb Comp." Without skilled ground crew personnel on the job throughout the length of the contest, a unit can lose its chance for a championship through aborted missions or other technical nightmares.

For the units which combine top maintenance, accurate bombing and navigation and smooth aerial refueling hookups in the best mixture, there will be trophies in recognition of expertly performed missions.

Fairchild Trophy

Highest unit award is the Fairchild Trophy, presented each year to the wing with the best score



TEAMMATES — Soaring skyward, two Lockheed F-104 Starfighter interceptors and their Warning Star radar plane teammate, an RC-121, help protest America round-the-clock. Bulging with more than six tons of radar detection equipment, the "flying centry" Warning Star searches for unidentified aircraft. If a stranger is spotted, the 1500-m.p.h. Star-fighters armed with Sidewinder missiles investigate.

15th AF Wives Form New Club

WHITEMAN AFB, Mo. (SAC PS) — Fifteenth Air Force wives have formed a Toastmistresses club at SAC's only Missouri base. Area governor for 27 Missouri and Kansas counties of Toastmasters International, Capt. Warren V. Hasting helped them organize.

in all three phases of the competition. Current holder of the Fairchild cup is the 306th Bomb Wing, a B-47 unit stationed at MacDill Air Force Base, just outside Tampa, Fla.

Other trophies will be given for highest unit achievements in each individual phase of the competition.

Individual crews also will be competing for trophies. This year, crews will be shooting for the top honors gained last year by Major Ray Elliott's B-52 outfit from the 92nd Bomb Wing at Fairchild Air Force Base, Spokane, Wash.

Above all else, however, will be the most significant achievement of the 1959 competition — showing again that SAC is ready and able to protect the peace.

In Memorium

The entire personnel of the 4060th Organizational Maintenance Squadron desire to offer their heartfelt condolences to Captain and Mrs. Robert W. Harris, whose son, RICHARD WAYNE HARRIS passed away on Sunday, 18 October 1959.

Although words alone cannot express the true feelings and thoughts in each man's heart, it is with deep and humble feeling that we offer our sympathy in this time of sorrow.

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All SAC Units Represented At The Offutt AFB Chapel

HQ. SAC (SAC PS)—All SAC wings, divisions, and numbered air forces will be symbolically represented in the command schapel at Offutt, according to Chaplain (Col.) George S. Wilson.

The SAC staff chaplain said that in addition to the stained glass SAC Memorial Window, there will be windows in the chapel bearing the crests of other SAC units.

Money gifts taken at special offerings in SAC base chapels earlier this year totalled approximately \$17,000, windows for each of the four numbered air forces, and panes for each of the nearly 80 divisions and wings.

According to Chaplain (Capt.) Norman G. Folkers, Base Chaplain, a total of \$282.73 was collected during special collections here at Dow last June toward the memorial window.

The Memorial Window is in honor of all SAC crews who have lost their lives in aircraft accidents while helping the command to live up to its motto, "Peace Is Our Profession."

It will be dedicated in special religious services to be held at the SAC chapel next May 29. Chaplain (Maj. Gen.) Terence Finnegan, Air Force chief chaplain, will be the principal speaker.

Total Strength Drops In AF

(AFNS) The Air Force released its monthly report this week showing an overall military and civilian strength of 1,202,023 as of Aug. 31.

The figure shows a drop of 1,180 over the previous month's total for the worldwide active forces.

The strength figure breaks down into 836,107 military and 365,916 civilian members.

The military segment decreased during August by 2,595 resulting from a loss of 2,673 airmen and offset slightly by a gain of 78 officers. The report notes that the officer and airman strengths were below the August programmed level by 500 and 7,400, respectively.

Commissioned and warrant officers comprised 131,447 of the total figure. Airmen, cadets and aviation students added up to 704,660.

The total civilian strength as of Aug. 31 was 365,916 — up 1,415 from the month before.

The Air Force's Reserve Forces climbed to 630,344 from the July figure of 629,521. The AF Reserve gained from airmen transferring to the reserve to complete mandatory service obligations.

The Air National Guard figure of 70,641 was nudged upward from its prior month's total by a gain of 12 officers and 48 airmen.

Eighth Air Force Is Tops In OJT

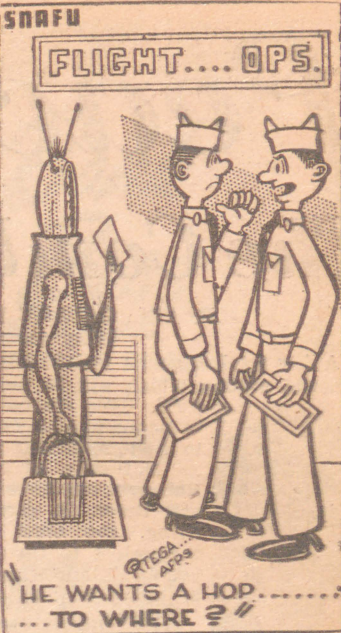
Eighth Air Force bases notched a 76 per cent OJT effectiveness standard during August to top all numbered air forces within the Strategic Air Command as Eighth Air Force overseas stations hit a high of 90 per cent OJT effectiveness to also lead in this area.

Cited as a contributing factor in the high number of Eighth Air Force men passing their proficiency tests was what Captain Samuel Roberto, Eighth Air Force Chief OJT Branch, termed the "Circulating Package."

The package contains proven tests and material relating to phase tests which are given to airmen preparing to take proficiency tests. The package circulates to OJT Branches at all Eighth Air Force bases and is utilized by supervisors and airmen who are in the process of skill level upgrading.

OJT officials at each base take material which can be readily put to use at their installation and add any proven material which they wish to pass on to other stations. The wealth of material, covering the entire on-the-job training program, is never depleted as the package makes the rounds of all bases.

The highly beneficial "Circulating Package" idea was originated by Colonel John J. Mason, Chief of Retention Branch, Eighth Air Force, which was "expertly put to work by OJT supervisors throughout the command," Captain Roberto added.



AF Nuclear Aircraft

The Atomic Energy Commission announced this week that in conjunction with the Department of Defense it is placing increased emphasis on the development of advanced fuel elements for the direct cycle phase of its aircraft nuclear propulsion program.

AEC and Air Force also have contracts for development of an indirect cycle propulsion system for aircraft.

The direct cycle system is being developed for the AEC and the Air Force by General Electric Co. at Evendale, Ohio. In the direct cycle system, compressed air is heated in a reactor core and is exhausted directly through an engine turbine and exhaust nozzle. No heat exchanger is used.

The combined AEC and USAF costs for the direct cycle program was about \$90 million for fiscal year 1959.

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SPORTS NEWS: We would like to say "A very well done", to the football team for tying for third place.

The Bowling Season is rolling along smoothly with all teams in close competition. Fighting for first place is Sullivan Ford and Merrill Transport. If we have any bowlers in the squadron who are not presently on a team and desire to bowl, please contact Captain Hall, League Secretary, for the Deputy Commander for Material League. There is a long bowling season ahead; good luck to all.

With the outgoing of football, basketball is just around the corner. We are looking for a lot of enthusiastic basketball players. Lets' get one jump ahead and get in shape before the season gets underway.

Improvement Program

On-The-Job training has become one of the greatest assets to the Air Force today. Without it, in its proper form, we would certainly lose most, if not all the proficiency gained in our numerous fields of duty.

It is imperative that every supervisor respond to this program and prepare our lower grade airmen of today, to be well qualified supervisors and leaders of tomorrow.

Undercover Stuff

Hi! Your bookworm is away at the Librarians Conference this week enjoying Florida sunshine. There will be no bookworm article this week but she has asked me to relay to you that the library is having a great deal of trouble with overdue books.

Unless all overdue books are returned to the library the base library will have to resort to its old system of sending overdue book notices through channels to squadron commanders.

By Now,
The Book Bug

Rhymes of the Times

There's a reason
And a rhyme
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At a time.
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Trained Gray Ladies Needed

The American Red Cross urgently needs all ready trained volunteers for duty at the 860th Medical Group USAF Hospital. Gray Ladies needed for the medical clinic, wards, recreational activities, and other functions. Many expectant mothers need training with technique of care of infants. Call the Red Cross Field Office, Extension 2357, Mr. Leon R. Witt, Field Director.

PEANUTS

by CHARLES M. SCHULZ

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Peace Is Our Profession

The Combat Crew

By COL. GEORGE W. R. ZETHREN
Wing Commander



Col. Zethren

A few weeks ago an article appeared in this paper about SAC's memorial window which will be placed in the SAC Chapel at Offutt AFB. This symbolic stained glass window will be in honor of SAC crew members who gave their lives to help maintain peace in the world.

Naturally, we must and do honor these dead. However, our honoring of crew members should not end there. It should be extended to include the living, the crew members who have dedicated themselves to the service of their country, just as you and I, and whose day-to-day activities are aimed in just one direction—preparedness!

The importance of the combat crew in SAC has been emphasized many times by General Thomas S. Power, and by his predecessor, General Curtis Lemay. The personnel actions initiated by SAC for, and in behalf of, the combat crew member retain the highest priority in the directorate of personnel at SAC headquarters. Alert pay, which is being sponsored by SAC at the present time, is the CINSAC's way of saying, "This is our elite corps, this is our 'big stick'."

Since "Peace is Our Profession", let us remember our real professionsals, the crew members. Let us hope and pray that peace will always be their profession; that the war-like training they carry out in their dedicated fashion will never have to be put to use; that our 'big stick' will never have to club an aggressor nation.



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Your Medical Team

By CAPT. FRANK SCHOLAN
Chief of Pediatrics

The word "Hospital" usually brings to mind such things as emergencies, operations, serious illnesses, new born babies, and even Military Sick Call. These are all very important functions of any hospital, as well as your Air Force Hospital. However, your hospital offers more than care for these things. It is in reality a complete health center, which offers care for these serious illnesses and emergencies, and also offers a preventive medicine program, which is not as dramatic, but just as important. The most familiar facets of this program are separation and reenlistment physicals, annual physicals, immunizations before overseas travel, Pre-Natal and Well Baby Clinics.



Dr. Scholan

In the Well Baby Clinic your child is given a regular physical examination, prescribed changes in feeding schedule, and routine immunizations. However, it is not uncommon to see children 2, 3 or even 4 years of age who have had only a few or none of their immunizations. Routine immunizations are given every week day, except Monday, from 1500 to 1600 hours in the Hospital Outpatient Clinic. No appointment is necessary. These immunization procedures are an essential part of your child's health program, and it is the responsibility of you, the parent, to see that complete immunization series are carried out on your children.

The following is a tentative schedule for childhood immunizations: Diphtheria-Pertussis (Whooping Cough)-Tetanus (Lockjaw) immunizations, are commonly known as the "Triple Vaccine" or "DPT", are given one month apart for a series of three injections, usually starting at age two to three months.

Usually the next series is the poliomyelitis vaccine, of which two injections are given one month apart, ordinarily starting about age five months, and a third injection seven to eight months after the second injection. Smallpox vaccination should be given in the first year of life. Thereafter, at 18 months, a DPT booster is required. This is again necessary, along with a second smallpox vaccination, at the Pre-School age (4½ to 5 years).

Diphtheria and tetanus booster shots should be given thereafter every four or five years. The advisability of giving booster polio shots has not been completely decided, but they will, in all probability, follow a similar pattern.

Dependents going overseas, depending on their destination, usually need immunization procedures. It is essential that these procedures be completed before the dependent departs for the overseas base. Otherwise, the dependent may be delayed at the Port of Embarkation until complete immunizations are accomplished.

When planning to join your sponsor overseas, be sure to allow enough time for all the immunization procedures necessary. For any information concerning routine immunizations for overseas travel, contact the Hospital Outpatient Clinic (phone 2525 or 2309).

Periodic Survey Provides Answers

(AFNS) How long a tour of duty should you have at an operational missile unit? How many hours or what shifts would you like to work if assigned to a missile unit? When are you planning to retire? What publications do you read?

These are several of the more than fifty questions being asked in the current opinion survey of Air Force military personnel.

About 30,000 airmen and 11,000 officers will get a chance to answer the October questionnaire. The opinion survey is conducted three times a year—in February, May, and October.

For those who will sit down and answer the questions this month, for those who completed the surveys in the past, and for those who will be picked to answer future questionnaires, make no mistake about it; you count. You may think your voice is a small sound in the night, but it is heard through the military personnel survey.

Headquarters pays close attention to the answers and the trends indicated by the surveys. So it is well worth your time and effort to answer carefully and honestly. Your answers should reflect your actual attitudes and opinions.

Officers will be asked to comment on what they think of the officer career management programs, the airman proficiency pay and quality control programs and a number of Air Force publications.

They'll also be asked about their length of service, time in grade, time at present and previous base and similar factual questions.

Airmen will be queried on their views of the Airman quality control program, an Air Force career and the effect of proficiency pay. The survey will ask them about their housing, number of dependents, time in grade and quarters allowance.

The individual's survey questionnaire is kept in strict confidence.

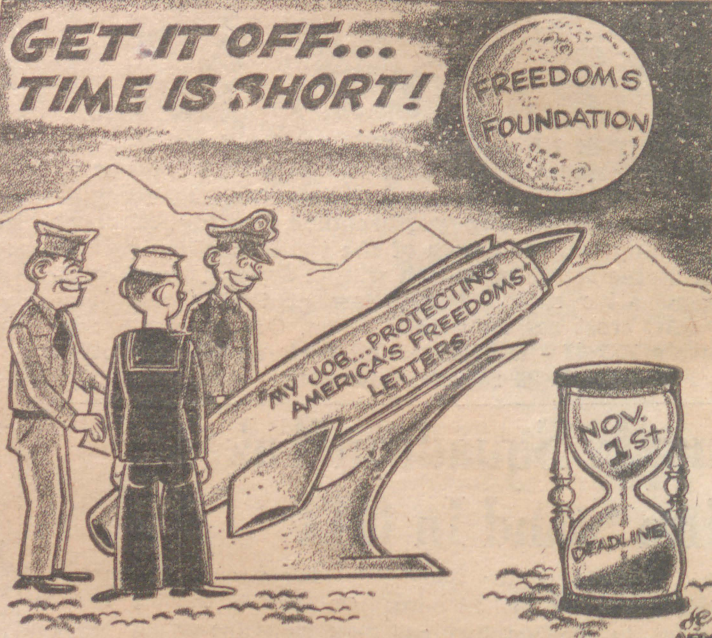
The October survey is going to officers whose service numbers end with the following two digits: 08, 19, 25, 33, 46, 51, 61, 76, 88, and 94. Airmen: 09, 23, 59, 66 and 94.

Officers and airmen with the above service number endings, who are on leave or away from their station at the time of survey, can pick up questionnaire blanks at the nearest Air Force installation by contacting the survey officer there. The interviewing period extends from Oct. 20 to Nov. 10.

Protestant Women's Guild

Mrs. Charles Davis, president, presided at the 2nd meeting of the new Fall season of the Protestant Women's Guild. The new silver service everyone has been looking forward to having has arrived. The next meeting will be on the usual date — the 3rd Wed. at 1 p.m. It will be a membership coffee. The Guild is a wonderful and inspiring way to serve your base, your community and your God regardless of the particular protestant denomination you may belong.

The base chapel couples club will be hosts to the similar organization of the Columbia St. Baptist Church, Fri. — 23rd at 7:00 p.m. It will be a covered dish dinner so please bring one article, a dessert, hot dish, or a salad. Refreshments were served by Mrs. Charles Davis. We extend a warm welcome to all the new members who attended and hope you will become a regular.



TIMES Spot News In Brief

PAINE AFB WINS FIRE PROTECTION AWARD

Payne AFB, Everett, Wash., played it cool and has won the Air Force's Annual Fire Protection Achievements Competition.

Named last week by Hq USAF, Paine won the silver Fire Chief's Trumpet trophy over outstanding entries from 13 of the major commands.

Biggs AFB, El Paso, Tex., won the second place award and Bilitburg Air Base, Germany, was third in the Air Force-wide contest.

The awards are presented for sustained performance for the fiscal year period, July 1, 1958 to June 30, 1959, and are based on the general overall excellence of the fire protection programs conducted at the installations.

Tapped for outstanding merit in the final judging and given Exceptional Honorable Mentions were Tinker AFB, Okla.; Hickam AFB, Hawaii, and McChord AFB, Wash.

AF-ARMY GAME ON TV

The Army-Air Force Academy football game will be televised Oct. 31 over NBC television in N.C.A.A. districts 1 and 2, which include the New England and Middle Atlantic States.

The first gridiron clash between the two schools is sold out, which means 66,000 ticket-holders will be crowding Yankee Stadium that day.

A check of the sports page and radio-TV columns will give further details for individual areas where the game may be carried by television and radio.

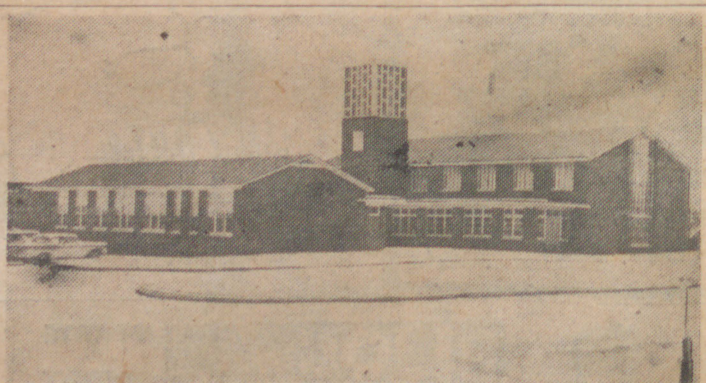
NEW NAVIGATION TRAINER

The Air Force has picked the Lockheed Model 329, a small jet transport-type aircraft, to meet its requirement for a Navigation trainer.

However the Air Force says, no decision has been made as to whether any will be procured during the fiscal year 1960.

SWING LOW, SWEET CHARIOT

An Air Force B-58 Hustler made a "low-down" flight last week of 1,400 miles, flying at 500 feet altitude to demonstrate its ability to creeping under enemy radar. The plane averaged 700 mph for the trip.



CHAPEL SCHEDULE

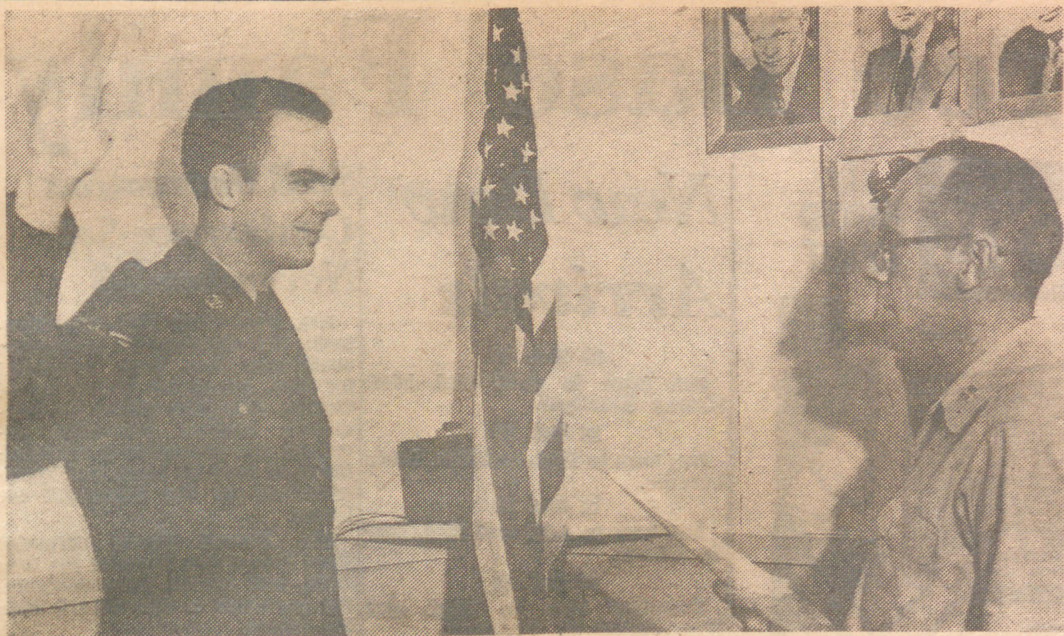
PROTESTANT

Worship Services
Sundays, 10:40 a. m. (Holy Communion first Sunday of month (Free Nursery) - Children's Chapel 10:45 a.m.)
Sunday School and Bible Study
Classes for all ages
Sundays, 9:45 a. m.
Lutheran Communion
First Sunday of month, 8:30 a.m. in Education Wing.

CATHOLIC

Masses
Sundays, 8:30 a. m. and 12 noon (Free Nursery)
Weekday Masses 8:45 a.m.
Holy days of Obligation, 11:30 a. m. and 4:30 p. m.
First Fridays, 9:00 a. m.
Saturdays, 9 a. m.
Confessions
Saturdays, 7:00 to 9:00 p. m.
Sundays, 8 a. m.
JEWISH
Beth Israel Synagogue
A. H. Freedman, Rabbi

Dow Starts Eastern Standard Time Sunday



REENLISTMENT—Airman second class Richard Petrie is seen being sworn in by Captain H. W. Ingraham, Unit Commander of the 860th Medical Group. Airman Petrie will report to Otis AFB, Massachusetts, his base of choice assignment. While here at Dow airman Petrie has helped provide high quality medical care to airmen and their families through his assignment in outpatient clinic. We take this opportunity to offer congratulations and best wishes for a happy and successful career.

Time Running Out In SAC Silent Squadron Contest

HQ. SAC (SAC PS) — Time is growing short for those intending to enter SAC Safety Division's contest to gather the best ideas toward preventing motor vehicle deaths. The contest ends Nov. 10. Ten Ambassador pencils and 10 Green Cross windproof lighters will be awarded for the 20 best ideas.

Dow Personnel are reminded that they can "jump channels" in the contest and mail their suggestions, posters, sketches, cartoons, jingles or editorials directly to the SAC Safety Division. The address is: Directorate of Operations, Safety Division, Headquarters SAC, Offutt AFB, Neb.

"We don't want any more of our people joining the Silent Squadron," stated Col. Woodrow P. Swancutt, SAC chief of safety.

The Silent Squadron is composed of SAC personnel killed in

motor vehicle accidents. So far this year 106 SACmen have joined the fatal unit, and more than 600 have received disabling injuries in motor vehicle accidents.

The colonel urges all members of the command to give careful thought to motor vehicle accident prevention. "If you know of any possible way to appeal to the Road Hog, the Speed Demon, the

Chance Taker, or the Tippler," he said, "send your ideas to us at once."

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Sparkey Sez

By STAN CLOSSON

Like the proverbial penny, Sparkey always turns up and here we are with another week closer to retirement. Say — how about all those bleary eyes and nodding heads last week. Nothing like an alert to see who can stay awake the longest. You really did a commendable job on this one, fellow plugs. Hats off to all of you.

Have you heard this one? Seems as though a big department store was running out of publicity and thought this one up. "Just the thing for you men who have everything — a nice new calendar to keep track of the payments".

HAPPY BIRTHDAY to TSgt Coburn, TSgt Sofranek, A-1C Lewis and A-2C Jorgenson who have celebrated their birthdays this week.

ORCHIDS this week go to the BX MOBILE SNACK WAGONS. The plugs on the line wish you to know they really appreciate you. Nothing like a steaming cup of coffee and donuts these days. Thanks for a much needed job and we welcome you at any time.

ADIEU this week to A-2C Gerling, A-2C Meyer and A-2C Lambert who are going back to the ranks of civilian life.



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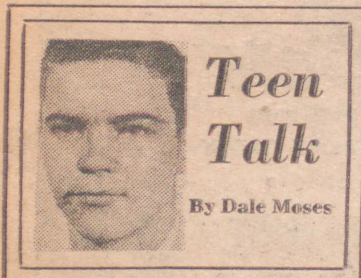
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Teen Talk

By Dale Moses

Jim Winters, the disc-jockey from WABI radio and TV, was unanimously elected by the Club as their first choice for disc-jockey at their spectacular record hop to be held in late November.

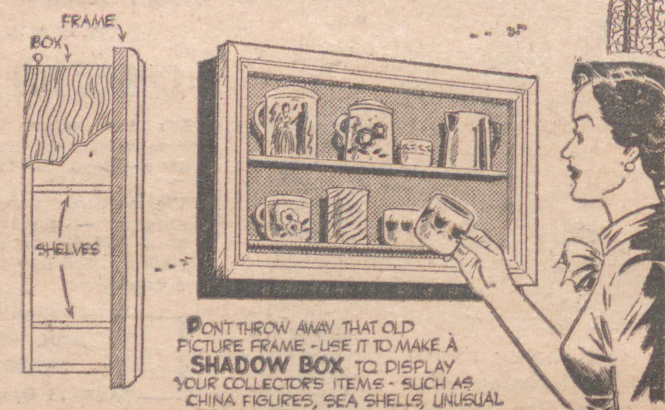
A week ago last Saturday the one-man ways and means committee went to see Mr. Winters about the job. In the WABI studios I talked over the proposal with him and he accepted, saying that it would be the first time he had done a record hop at the Base. Wanting to make this a big success for us, he first proposed a date for the hop, then I was to discuss it with the executive council for approval or modification.

On my second meeting with our recently acquired personality, we arranged the time of this Special Record Hop. It seems that 7:00 to 11:00 is the usual time that he holds shows, and since that followed our own time-table almost identically, it was accepted at once without further question. As for the date, it was decided that November 27 would be the best night for a special event of this calibre.

Thus completed the series of consultations with the celebrity of our choice by the one-man ways and means committee. Now for the all-important remaining portion of information for our parents. Tickets for the "Special

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by HAROLD HEWITT



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Son born to A-2C and Mrs. Robert Carrigan.
Daughter born to SSgt. and Mrs. Richard McKale.

18 Oct. 59
Daughter born to T. Sgt. and Mrs. Richard McKale.

18 Oct. 59
Daughter born to TSgt. and Mrs. Rene Poirer.
Son born to SP-4 and Mrs. Chester L. Harris.

Dow AFB will revert to Eastern Standard Time at 2 a.m., 25 October, 1959. At that time all clocks will be moved back one hour.

SAC Recreation Conference Set November 3-5

HQ. SAC (SAC PS)—The Strategic Air Command's recreation conference has been scheduled for Nov. 3-5 at the University of Omaha. Attending will be the command's civilian recreation directors, the recreation services officers of each ZI base, and representatives of the numbered air forces.

Mr. Manuel Ferris (Mannie) Base Recreation Director for Dow AFB, will attend the conference. He promises a full report upon his return.

The conferees will be welcomed by Dr. Milo E. Bail, president of the university, and later will be addressed by Maj. Gen. William K. Martin, SAC director of personnel.

Major topics of discussion during the three-day conference will be: Evaluation of the SAC Recreation Program; the Base Recreation Activities Program; Base-Community Relationship; SAC's Sports Program; Service Club-Community Center Concept; and Alert Crews.

Included among the speakers are representatives from the National Recreation Association, who will discuss their services.

This is the first such conference held since SAC's recreation program was inaugurated in November 1957.

Officers Wives Club Notes

By ELAINE UMSTEAD

The second Newcomers Reception will be held Saturday, 7 November at the Officers Club. This affair will begin promptly at 7:00 P.M., with cocktails being served from 7 P.M. to 8 P.M. A buffet and dancing will follow. The dress for the evening will be cocktail dresses for women, black tie for men. Let's give our newcomers a royal greeting.

This item will be of interest to many of our wives. October 26, 27 and 28th are the dates for the

Record Hop" featuring Jim Winters and sponsored by the Dow Teen Club will be on sale at the popular price of \$0.50 each available from your school representative or any member of the Dow Teen Club. Be sure to buy early, we expect a sellout crowd and you don't want to miss this, the acme of record hops. We extend a cordial welcome to everyone, military or civilian alike, there will be fun for all. The place is the Youth Center, on the corner next to Gate No. 7, cat-a-corner to the Northeast Airlines terminal. Come along and bring your friends, this will be one night you'll never forget.

Junior League Annual Antique Show. The scene of this activity will take place in the Brewer Auditorium, running from 1:00 P.M. to 10:00 P.M. Tickets are 50 cents and proceeds will be going to the Community Fund. Eleven dealers will be exhibiting antiques. A living room will be on display and decorated as it would have been 100 years ago. Some of their members will be dressed to depict that particular era. Tea will be served from 3 to 5 daily in celebration of the Junior League's tenth anniversary. Here are the 14 October bowling results.

	wins	losses	total pins
1st—Holy Rollers	13	6	8262
2nd—Odd Balls	11	8	6245
2nd—Dowettes	11	8	6146

High team single game . . . Maggies Maggies with a 633. High team 3 games . . . Maggies Maggies with a 1785. High individual 3 games was won by Jerry Bussiere with a total of 430. Take particular note of this next score. High individual single game . . . Marge Knowles . . . 197. Maggies Maggies is our team of distinction for this week. Their captain is Margaret Corkery. Other team members being: Ann Forman, Alice Lenz, Dee Calbert and Joanne Paulson.

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News And Social Happenings

Family Services Selects Its New Volunteer Of The Month

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Mrs. James Dooley

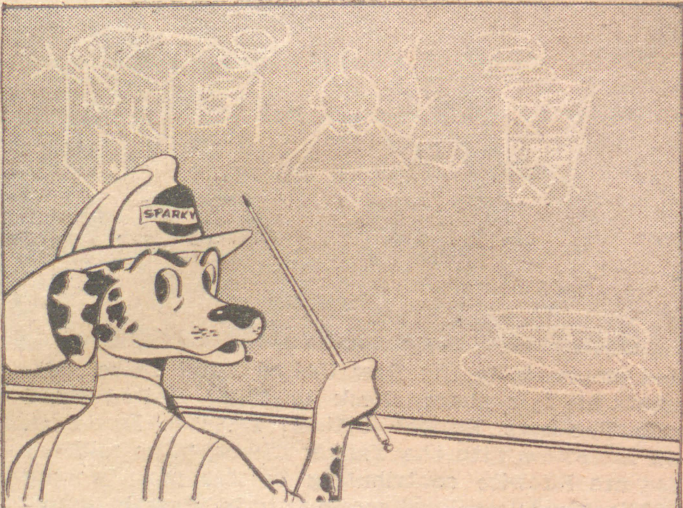
by the Family Service Coordinator. This honor was bestowed on Mrs. Dooley for her contribution to the reorganization of the Welcoming Committee which she was

chairman of at that time. A new plan was organized and put into effect enabling the committee members to welcome newcomers to the base with much more ease and little time elapse.

Also she devised a new and better method of calling on the new families temporarily residing in the guest houses. With the help of her Co-Chairman, Elaine Umstead they were able to recruit many new members for the Welcoming Committee consequently relieving the old members from many hours of extra work.

Even though this award was given for her great leadership ability and the unselfish devotion displayed while she was Chairman of the Welcoming Committee she has since taken over the responsibility of the Information and Referral Committee Chairmanship. Weda has also been Co-Chairman of the Housing Committee and this is the second time she has been named Volunteer of the Month during the Year and a half she has been active in the program.

TSgt. James Dooley of the Operational Maintenance Squadron, is the proud husband of this remarkable lady. They have three sons, Dickie and David, seven year old twins and young Dennis who is two. They reside in the new Capehart area and are from Ft. Cobb, Oklahoma.



Teach Children Fire Safety Early!

Children should be taught at an early age to respect fire not fear it. They should be made aware of its uses and benefits, and also its dangers. They should be urged to cooperate in the family job of fire prevention. Remember, children, like adults must be taught fire safety. Their lives depend on you!



DON'T GIVE FIRE A PLACE TO START!

Support OPS For Project Mercury The Department of Defense has named Maj. Gen. Donald N. Yates USAF, as its representative for Project Mercury support operations.

He'll carry out his support duties for the man - in - space project in addition to his present duties as Commander, Atlantic Missile Range.

NOTICE

"The 860th Medical Group is sponsoring a special participation night, 29 October 1959, at the NCO Club. All military personnel over 21 years of age will be invited to attend. Watch the Base Daily Bulletin for further information. This is a benefit night for the United Fund Drive."

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NCO Wives Club Notes

By MARIE CULLY

A "well-done" to the girls who worked so hard on the Rummage Sale. It was a tremendous success.

The kiddies game day turned out very well too, they tell me. The children really enjoy an afternoon of their own, don't they? There will be two afternoons a month set aside for the children from now on, the first and third Sundays of each month, starting at 2:00 P.M. at the NCO Club.

Here are your notes on the nominees for second Vice President. We have Nancy Fuller who is at present our second Vice, and also our Chairman of the Welcoming Committee. Nancy is fairly new to the Club, but she's always ready to pitch in to a job and

see that it is well done and finished before she leaves it. She has assisted on other committees as well. She is the wife of SSgt. Jordan Fuller, who is in OMS. They came here from Dover, Delaware about a year ago, and their home is Denton, Delaware. Nancy is also on the Wives Club Bowling League.

Our second nominee is Carol Dodson. Carol has been a member of the Club, for about three years. At present she is on the telephone committee and has always been a willing worker on all other committees that she has been asked to work on, more often than not, volunteering her services. She is the wife of MSgt. Alonzo Dodson, 341st ARS. They came here about four years ago from Castle AFB, Madison, Wis. is their home.

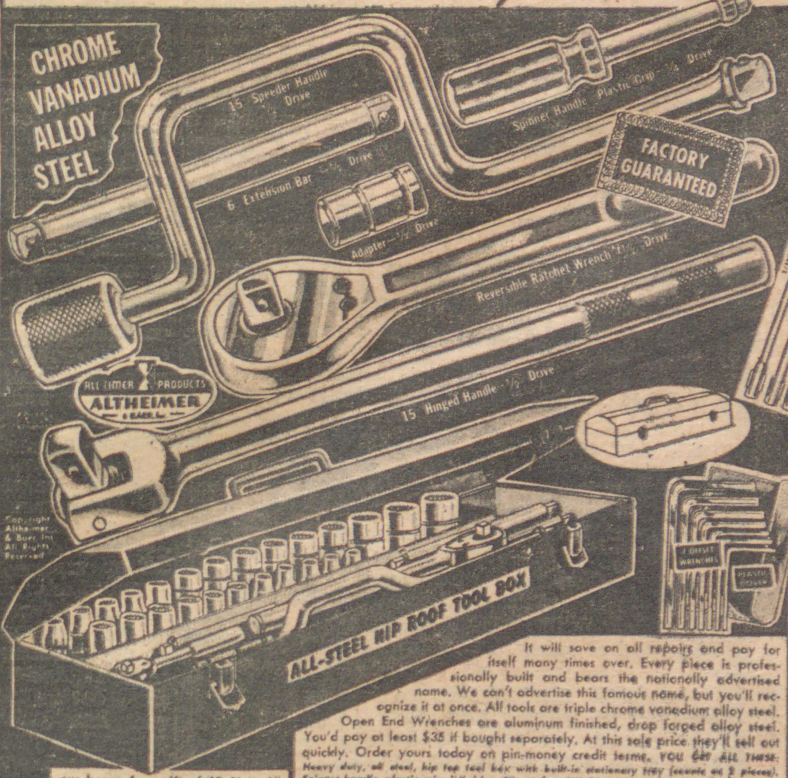
For Secretary, we have two nominees also. Margaret Johnson and Bonnie McKinney. (If I'm mixed up on facts or leave things out, forgive please.) At present, Margaret is the Secretary on the Board of Directors at the Nursery. She has been active on many committees and has been Club Secretary on two previous terms. She is the wife of MSgt. Leonard Johnson. Their last Base was Roswell, New Mexico, and they hail from Texas.

Bonnie McKinney also has a record to be envied. She has held a term in office as Secretary, and has been active on many committees including Ways and Means and the Telephone Committee. Bonnie is also active in Family Services. She is the wife of MSgt. Steve McKinney, 341st ARS.

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FAIR SHARE—To give added emphasis to the Dow United Fund Drive, Colonel George W. R. Zethren presents his fair share check to Wing United Fund Project Officer Major A. J. Amato. The base Project Officer, Lt. Col. David G. Bellemere (far right) said in an interview with the Tanker Times, "The military services in our home-town areas are likewise contributing to this most worthy cause. We, as citizens, have an obligation to our local community to share in shouldering the burden."

New Orientation Course For Expectant Mothers

During the past few months, there have been numerous requests by expectant mothers for some type of formal instruction on care of the newborn. Mr. Witt, Red Cross Field Director, together with Major Sanborn, Chief Nurse at the Base Hospital, and Mrs. Brough, Chairman of the Grey Ladies, are preparing a course of instruction,

which will be given by two qualified instructors.

This course will not only cover the care of the newborn, but will give the new mother instructions on how to take care of herself prior to the birth of the child. A tour of the Obstetrical Department will be included in the course for anyone interested. These tours will be at a specified time and at the convenience of the Hospital. It is the desire of the Hospital Commander, Lt. Col. Kurland, that all those awaiting the arrival of their first child attend these lectures.

Forms are available in the Out-patient Department for all expectant mothers to fill out. These forms will give the instructors an idea of how many are planning to attend these classes.

A notice will be placed in the Daily Bulletin as to the time this course of instruction is to be started and the place it will be given. All expectant mothers are urged to attend.

In the very near future, Lt. Col. Kurland is planning to speak to the wives of each Squadron, to acquaint them with the medical services that are available at the Base Hospital.

Hall Of Fame Now Adds Two New Members

HQ. SAC (SAC PS) — The 90th Strategic Reconnaissance Wing of Forbes AFB, Kan., and the 92nd Bomb Wing of Fairchild AFB, Wash., are the latest additions to SAC's Flying Safety Hall of Fame.

On Oct. 1 both the 90th and 92nd completed a year of accident-free flying. Col. Woodrow P. Swancutt, SAC chief of safety, has announced.

The 4061st Combat Support Group of Malmstrom AFB, Mont., rounded out two years of flying without an accident on the same date.

Dow AFB has been a member of the Hall of Fame for more than three years.

Published monthly in SAC's flying safety magazine, COMBAT CREW, the Hall of Fame is a list of more than 50 units of the command that have flown one or more years without an accident.

Girl Scout News

The base Girl Scout program seems to be progressing well at the present. Mrs. Michael Bulla has a mixed Intermediate and Senior troop of girls who meet at her home on Wednesday evenings 6 p.m. to 7, Lt. Jackie Sutor and Mrs. Anthony Knowland are her assistants.

The Fourth Grade Brownie Troop is lucky enough to have Mrs. Laurent Martel back as their leader. They meet in her home Tuesday after school. Mrs. Robert Anuszewski is her assistant.

Because of the transportation problems we are trying to form troops to meet in the Capehart homes also. If you are interested please phone Mrs. Wilbur Ham 27273. She and Mrs. John Reiken have already formed a 1st year Brownie troop.

Our latest addition is a new 1st year Brownies troop on Base. Mrs. Harry LaVan is having them meet in her home also.

The Dow group of troops are in the Fruit Street School neighborhood. This gives our leaders an outlet for more stimulating interest and exchange of ideas. Neigh-4 times a year are given about 4 times a year by our chairman, Mrs. James Ruhlman to discuss all the problems involved.

Intermediate and Senior leaders should try to attend the Nov. 10th workshop at the service club. Our own Airman Jack Ade will instruct the area leaders in all types of interesting and artistic ideas to keep the older girls really enthusiastic about Girl Scouting. Time 1:30 pm. to 3 and 7-9:30. It's very important to attend both sessions.

All adults achieve in the Girl Scout program are invited to attend the Harvest supper Oct. 27th at St. Mary's Church hall in the basement, Cedar Street, at 6:30. There will be a brief business meeting and our four Senior Round-up girls will show slides of their experiences at Colorado Springs this past summer. Reservations are limited so call yours in by Friday, the 23rd.

All Intermediate and Senior girls interested in the new Girl Scout chorale call the office for information 4555.

Any further information or help I can be to you please call Mrs. J. R. Everett 20624. I am the base troop organizer for our neighborhood.

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Laughlin AFB, Tex., climbed into second place and Lincoln AFB, Neb., moved into third.

In Base of the Year competition, Forbes AFB, Kan., held on to first for the fourth month in a row. Lincoln remained in second

place, and Lockbourne AFB, Ohio, eased into third.

September Totem Pole Status

1. Malmstrom; 2. Laughlin; 3. Lincoln; 4. Dow; 5. Fairchild; 6. Loring; 7. Lockbourne; 8. Forbes; 9. Altus; 10. McCoy; 11. Chennault; 12. Plattsburgh; 13. Castle; 14. Dyess; 15. March; 16. Little Rock; 17. Ellsworth; 18. Schilling; 19. Davis-Monthan; 20. Mountain Home; 21. Walker; 22. Homestead; 23. Carswell; 24. Bunker Hill; 25. Offutt; 26. Bergstrom; 27. Clinton-Sherman; 28. Westover; 29. Hunter; 30. Barksdale; 31. MacDill; 32. Harmon; 33. Torrejon; 34. Randolph; 35. Whiteman; 36. McConnell; 38. Columbus; 39. Vandenberg; 40. Travis.

Base Of Year Standings

1. Forbes; 2. Lincoln; 3. Lockbourne; 4. Chennault; 5. Ellsworth; 6. Altus; 7. McCoy; 8. Carswell; 9. Loring; 10. Randolph; 11. Malmstrom; 12. Dow; 13. Laughlin; 14. Vandenberg; 15. Harmon; 16. Clinton-Sherman; 17. Bunker Hill; 18. Columbus; 20. March; 21. Fairchild; 22. Dyess; 23. Schilling; 24. Hunter; 25. Pease; 26. McConnell; 27. Little Rock; 28. Davis-Monthan; 29. Westover; 30. Barksdale; 31. Homestead; 32. Offutt; 33. MacDill; 34. Whiteman; 36. Plattsburgh; 37. Mountain Home; 38. Walker; 39. Torrejon; 40. Bergstrom.

Highlights From Supply Squadron

Intramural basketball will begin with a bang on 2 November. Practice will begin shortly, and all personnel interested in playing, please contact SSgt. Walter J. Jaworski at extension 2293. The games played this season will be four eight minute quarters. Returning from last season is MSgt. Robert H. Hively, SSgt. Walter J. Jaworski, SSgt. Marvin J. Stemm, and Alc Virgil P. Clark. The Intramural Bowling League was cancelled last week due to alert, but resumed on normal schedule this week. Lets get out and support our team. Remember, the bowling team can bring in many points for the Commander's Trophy.

PTA Meeting Is Underway

The Maine Congress Of Parents and Teachers started yesterday at the Barnes Street School. Meetings will continue throughout today.

All members of the PTA association in this area are cordially invited to attend the remaining sessions. Meetings begin this morning at 9:30 am.

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Col. Kurland To Address CSG Wives

On Thursday evening, October 29 at 7:30 pm, at the Service Club Lt. Col. Anthony Kurland, Commander of the 860th Medical Group will acquaint the wives of officers and airmen of Hq. 4060th Combat Support Group of the hospital facilities available to them at Dow.

Any Wives of this squadron who have a transportation problem are asked to contact Mrs. D. G. Bellemere at 24364.

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Captain James E. Glass, 4060 Operations Squadron, Small Arms Competition Project Officer, reports that 32 personnel have indicated a desire to participate in base competitions to qualify for Base Small Bore, High-Power Rifle and Pistol Team. All military personnel are eligible and your support is requested to give Dow the best teams in SAC.

Plans are being formulated to enter a team in the Maine Small-Bore rifle and Pistol postal matches and a Pistol team in the 8 AF Postal matches. To determine team membership, an elimination match will be held and the best qualified personnel will be utilized. The Small Arms Competition Section has several match

grade rifles and pistols available for practice and competition shooting.

Practices are being held at The Small Arms Range on Outer Hammond Street each Monday from 7:30 - 9:30 A.M. and 12:30-2:30 p.m. for small Bore Rifles and from 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. and 2:30 - 4:30 p.m. for pistols. The range is also available during off-duty times by contacting Captain Glass, Ext. 2254.

In addition to the postal matches that are planned, Dow will be requested to enter pistol and rifle teams in the 8AF eliminations which will precede the All-Services Matches to be held in February 1960. Let us prove to the other bases that these marksmanship stories are not a figment of our imagination by fielding well qualified and well drilled teams.

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AF Sees Downward Trend In Crime And AWOL Rate

(AFNS) Whether it's due to the quality control program, increasing maturity of individuals in the Air Force, better preventive measures or a combination of all, one thing is certain—the Air Force's already low crime and delinquency rates are going farther down.

A glance at the charts reveals toboggan-slope lines nosing down during the past eight-year period. The Enforcement-Correction division of the Provost Marshal's office has released figures for AWOL and confinement rates for the first six months of the calendar year.

The January-June rate for AWOL's stand at an all-time Air Force low of .77 per 1,000 military strength. This compares with the 1952 rate of 4.92 per 1,000

military strength. The figures are based on a monthly rate. For calendar year 1958 it was .9 per 1,000.

Man-days lost by AWOL personnel have also dropped sharply. The six-month figure for this year shows 7.64 man-days lost per 1,000 military strength per month, while the 1952 record was 52.93. Man-days lost in 1958 came to 12.01 per 1,000.

The "under lock and key" group has declined, too. In 1954 there were 3.94 Air Force personnel per 1,000 military strength per month in Armed Forces jails. Today it has decreased to 2.03 per 1,000 per month. Last year's rate was 2.6.

Courts-martial convictions dropped from 43.4 per 1,000 military strength per year in 1954 to 25.4 per 1,000 per year thus far in 1959.

Who's In The Control Tower What's What With G.C.A.

In order that a mission be carried out in an orderly manner and attain ultimate success, it takes the support and cooperation of numerous people, other than those directly concerned in the mission. Providing 24 hour service around the clock to all the flying squadrons are the personnel of the 1292-2 Airways and Air Communications Service Detachment, operating the control tower and Ground Controlled Approach (GCA).

During Dow's latest major mission, "Operation Fastmove," AACS controllers played a major supporting role to the success of this mission. All IFR clearances received from Boston ARTC were transmitted upon receipt and the KC-97s were all launched on time, at one minute intervals. GCA monitored all departures and their route of flight until the aircraft were beyond the limit of radar scopes.

Upon return to Dow in flights of four, each flight was handled properly and efficiently. In conjunction with Approach Control in the tower, GCA operators provided GCA approaches for each KC-97 and landings were made at six minute intervals. The task was multiplied because of numerous jet aircraft airborne in the local area.

In the adjoining photos, crews of control tower and GCA personnel are shown in operation. Standing at the far left in the tower is A2C John Grubb. He is operating at the local control position, issuing taxiing instructions to moving aircraft on the airdrome, issuing landing and takeoff clearances and sequencing air traffic in the local pattern for landing. Airman Grubb, who entered the Air Force in January, 1957 has seen overseas duty in Metz, France before coming to Dow in August of this year.

Sitting next to him is A2C Gerald Lausin, working at the Flight Data position. It is his responsibility to coordinate all telephone communications including receipt of all ATC clearances from Boston ARTC and the activation of the crash phone in cases of aircraft emergency. In addition, he maintains the flight data strips which contain the aircraft ID, type destination and other pertinent data.

Since entering the Air Force in September of 1956, Airman Lausin's duty locations include Los Angeles ARTC, and Kadena AFB Okinawa, before coming to Dow.

Seated on his right is the Approach Control operator, SSgt. Gary Costilow. His duty consists of instructions to all aircraft on IFR clearances, and in cases when numerous aircraft arrive on IFR flight plans, the approach controller provides altitude separation and time sequences for aircraft to begin their approach to the airport.

SSgt. Costilow, who is also a very capable GCA operator, entered the Air Force in March 1952 and before coming to Dow in May of last year, was a tower operator at Barksdale AFB, La., and Komaki AFB, Japan.

Sitting at the extreme right is A2C Michael St. Clair who is issuing a Direction Finding steer to a F-101 pilot. Airman St. Clair, who entered the Air Force in July of 1955, recently reenlisted. He had prior duty at San Antonio ARTC, and at Lakenheath, RAFB, England.

Standing behind the controllers is TSgt. Joseph Boucher, the shift supervisor. He is responsible for the overall operation during his shift. TSgt. Boucher, who has been a tower shift supervisor for nine years, has seen previous duty at Great Falls AFB, Montana, Tokyo International Airport, Chuncheon, Korea, Westover AFB, Mass. and two RAF bases in Eng-

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land before coming to Dow AFB, in July 1958.

Pictured in the GCA unit are TSgt. Paul Robinson, TSgt. Arthur Freund, TSgt. Robinson, in the foreground, is working the surveillance radar scope; he makes the initial contact with the aircraft and vectors in onto final approach, issuing altitude and heading corrections. From that point, TSgt. Freund, the final controller, using precision radar, vectors the aircraft on final approach, also issuing altitude and heading corrections to landing.

TSgt. Robinson began his Air Force career in the Medal career field in July 1948. Among his tours of duty were the Warren - Robins Air Depot and Erding Air Depot, both in Germany. Upon changing to the Air Traffic Control field, TSgt. Robinson was stationed at Perrin AFB, Texas and Fort Worth ARTC. He arrived at Dow in May of this year.

TSgt. Freund, who saw World War II duty as a bombardier on a B-29, has been a tower and GCA controller for nine years. His duty locations include Mitchell AFB, New York, Griffis AFB RAPCON, N. Y., Bermuda ARTC and tower, Iwo Jima and Guam. Since arriving at Dow in June, 1958, TSgt. Freund has been a tower and GCA shift supervisor for over a year. In addition he is the detachment reenlistment NCOIC.

AACS at Dow is presently in an extensive cross training program in which all operators are training for maximum proficiency in the control tower and GCA. This will ultimately result in better support to the users of our service.

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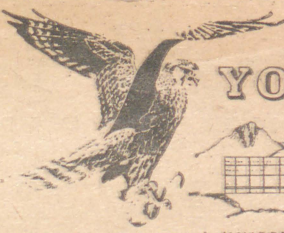
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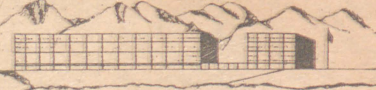
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YOUR OWN CONCLUSIONS

By CAPT BOB WEBB

Forecasting the future from won and lost records is no easier for football than it is for baseball. Dope sheets are interesting, but in most cases they're pure history.

So maybe a review of the Air Force Falcon's record at this point proves nothing. But it should be interesting. That ought to be enough.

After three games this season against one "hot" team and two not so, the Academy maintains its 1958 pace under Coach Ben Martin with three wins. Defensively it has one of the best records in the country. While scoring a total of 68 points it has allowed only 13 to be run up against it. This works out to almost 23 points per game while the opposition averaged only a bit more than 4 points.

The most highly considered of the three teams the Falcons have thus far played in 1959 was Wyoming. The Academy concluded its schedule - opening game against Wyoming on September 26, with a 20-7 victory. In four games to date, Wyoming has won three, running up an impressive total of 121 points against only 22 for the opposition, 20 of which were scored by the Air Force. Against such teams as Montana, Utah State and Colorado State, Wyoming averaged 38 points per game while giving up a total of only two points.

Trinity, with a record of one victory and one tie out of four games, managed an unconverted score against the Academy in a game which brought the Cadets from the snow bound Rockies to sweltering Texas to win 27-6. Still, Trinity has managed to stay ahead of its opposition by averaging 17.5 points per game while allowing an average of 16.7 points.

Four losses out of as many attempts puts Idaho, the last team the Academy has played, in a rather unfortunate light. The Air Force gave them number four, 21 to nothing.

Probably the most decisive game of their schedule looms now on the calendar of the Falcons, Oregon at Portland. Oregon's record could hardly be better. It has played four games and won four games. Although it got by Stanford by the narrowest possible margin, 28-27, against Utah, Washington State and San Jose State, it fared infinitely better.

To date Oregon has run up a slightly better offensive record than the Academy, a total of 98 points giving a four-game average of 24.5 points. Defensively the Fal-

cons come out ahead. Oregon has allowed 51 points to be scored for a per game average of nearly 13 points.

A table of comparisons on the Academy's opponents, past and future, would stretch too far to continue to be of interest. In any event, the reading to this point for Falcon fans is pleasant.

In 1958, the big year for football at the Academy, the Falcons concluded their regular season with nine victories and an upset tie against Iowa. They followed this up with a 0-0 tie against favored TCU in the Cotton Bowl. Last year they rolled up 247 points against their opponents 102 points. The game averages curiously resemble those of this year, 24.7 points for and 10.2 against. Now, isn't that interesting? (AFNS).

ASSC Airmen Praised By Sq.

The 4060th Aircraft Support Squadron presented two of its personnel with letter of appreciation for outstanding work for the month of September 1959. Those receiving letters were SSgt. Gerald Ulma and A2c Francis B. Johnson.

TSgt. Robert L. Ryan reenlisted this past week and departed for Williams AFB, Ariz. Sgt. Ryan will be hard to replace in the Transient Alert Section.

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EIGHT POINT BUCK—Major Thomas Carroll, Director of Military Personnel, is shown with the eight point buck he took with bow and arrow last Friday. Field dressed, the deer weighed out at 165 pounds, and around 214 on the hoof. According to a local game warden it was the first and largest deer taken during the bow and arrow season. Major Carroll got his deer in an old apple orchard near Bangor.

Ground Safety Report

By MSgt. JOHN D. FRENCH
NCOIC GROUND SAFETY

The problem of being able to see danger to avoid it is emphasized during the winter time. More hours of darkness, frequent overcast and fog conditions, rain, sleet, snowstorms, slush spattered windshields, intense glare of sun on snow and ice—all these conditions serve to reduce the dis-

tance you can see when driving in winter.

BE PREPARED to meet any hazard of winter with the knowledge and skill of how to drive in winter. It's up to you to recognize the hazards and to learn in advance how to handle them, adjust your driving habits to the problems of reduced visibility and inadequate traction. In other words, winterize your driving habits.

CAREFUL DRIVING is the key to safe winter driving. Smooth operation is important all year 'round, but especially in winter. Over-breaking, over-powering and over-steering can be avoided by constant practice all year 'round and this practice will pay rich dividends in your winter safety. There is just no substitute for careful and smooth driving.

TV Tower Is Planned For Andersen AB

HQ. SAC (SAC PS) — A re-radiation TV tower is being planned by SAC's directorate of civil engineering for Anderson AFB, Guam. Its purpose is to improve the reception by boosting the signal from KUAM Radio-TV in Agaña.

Though it is being designed for Capehart units at Anderson, clubs and other facilities may also use it by making their own cable hookups with the tower.

Missile Carrying Train Now Under Development

SEATTLE, Wash. (SAC PS) — Development of a mobile configuration for the Minuteman intercontinental ballistic missile utilizing rail transportation is in progress.

Lt. Gen. Francis H. Griswold, SAC Vice Commander in Chief, revealed this in a talk to the National Defense Transportation Association here on Oct. 12.

"This system," the general said "will further complement our deterrent capability — manned bombers and liquid fueled missiles. Through mobile Minuteman missiles we expect to greatly increase our chances of survival."

General Griswold stated the mobile force will utilize the existing U. S. rail net as a base of deployment. The number of missiles carried by each train could vary from one to several.

"The missile carrying train

would be little different from normal trains in operation today," General Griswold said. "Of course the car required to carry the missile and erect it for firing will be of special design."

In addition to the freight portion of the train, living and dining cars for the SAC missilemen must be provided, he said. These men will live with their weapon on the road for approximately two weeks before returning to their home base. Crews will be on constant alert.

The general pointed out that the SAC train with its missiles will travel over the roadbeds of large areas of the countryside, but the pattern for the movement will be unpredictable.

"Control of the train will be positively maintained from the command post at Headquarters SAC," General Griswold stressed.

He said the Minuteman is a solid propellant missile, smaller and lighter than the Atlas and Titan ICBMs. It will be easier to disperse, will have a faster reaction time, and smaller requirements for ground support facilities and manpower.

Missile mobility would broaden the posture of SAC's current aircraft alert and hardened missile concept, General Griswold said. Initially, missiles will be used to augment our bombers.

Bowling League Standings

	W	L	TPP	A	PP
1. Combat Support Group	20	4	14396	794	
2. Aircraft Support Sq.	20	4	14291	793	
3. Operations	18	6	13651	758	
4. 765th Radar	18	8	13958	775	
5. Organizational Maint	15	9	13862	770	
6. Field Maintenance	14	10	13059	725	
7. 71st AREFS	12	12	12879	774	
8. Combat Defense Force	12	12	12906	717	
9. AEMS	12	12	12879	715	
10. Headquarters Wing	11	13	14134	785	
11. Supply	9	15	13860	770	
12. AACs	9	15	12844	712	
13. Transportation	8	16	12342	685	
14. 341st AREFS	7	17	12523	695	
15. Weather	6	18	11573	643	
16. Food Service	3	21	12394	688	

Combat Support Group and the Aircraft Support Squadrons are leading the pack after six weeks of bowling in the Base Intramural Bowling League. Setting the pace for the CS Group Squadron are Airmen Hiller 177, Lamontague 173 and Major Dunham 168. ACSS top bowlers are Captain Hall 171, Sgt. Topalis 165, and Sgt. Gartman 163.

The top individual performance was turned in by A-2c Ken Gambala. Gambala's series of 198, 255, and 206 totaling 659 is the only 600 series so far. Major Dunham and Sgt. Hively are next high with 595 and 592 respectively. Gambala also has high average 184. Hively's 180 average is second high.

341st Sets OJT Mark

The 341st OJT section has just received the results of OJT testing for the month of August and the results are something to be proud of. Seven of our boom operators passed with high scores the 5 level exams and one scored high on the 7 level test. These figures mean that thirty-three and one third per cent of all personnel enrolled in the OJT program in the 341st have satisfactorily passed the tests and the request for their upgrading has already been registered. This is only the beginning, as it is anticipated that an additional twelve per cent will be upgraded this month.

Figures for the Base indicate that the average is 80 per cent passing grades in OJT. With our 100 per cent passing mark, we congratulate the men in the OJT program and Sgts. Netemeyer and Horrocks for the outstanding supervision of the program. It is work such as this that make for a more proficient working Air Force.

Dow AFB will revert to Eastern Standard Time at 2 a.m., 25 October, 1959. At that time all clocks will be moved back one hour.

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AF Jet Miles Flown Now Total 45 Trips To Sun

(AFNS) The distance between Earth and the sun — 92,900,000 — seems to become a slightly smaller figure in view of Air Force estimates that in jet miles its pilots have chalked up enough mileage to make 45 round trips.

A survey of Air Force records, through Dec. 31, 1958, also shows that Lt. Col. John J. Kroppenick of Eglin AFB, Fla., has logged 5,586 jet hours, more than any other pilot on active duty.

The records reveal that 9,148 pilots, who have gone over the 1,000 hour mark in jets, have accounted for 4,828,080,000 miles of the overall figure estimated at about eight billion miles.

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