

SUMMER UNIFORMS

Commencing Monday Reese military personnel may wear summer uniforms. The lighter clothing is optional until the middle of April, when it becomes mandatory.

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514th AF Band To Depart Monday

Reese Personnel Quickly Respond To Education Office's Latest Drive

As results from a recent education drive, the Base Education office reports that more than ten per cent of Reese airmen have already jumped at the chance to build up their education.

In the first week of the current education drive 129 airmen have made appointments for educational or vocational counseling in the future and approximately 70 have

already begun USAFI courses or GED tests.

During the latter part of February, a survey of the Form 20s of all Reese Airmen was conducted. The Education office then made a breakdown, by grades, of airman education. This breakdown indicated that, although the educational level at Reese AFB is slightly higher than last year, there is much room for improvement.

Overseas Returnees With Long Service To Get Choice Base

Airmen who return from overseas with 26 years or more of service will be assigned to the base of their choice in the ZI, according to a message from ATRC headquarters. The airmen will serve at that base until retirement, unless they volunteer for overseas.

Airmen with 26 years of service presently serving in the ZI may request a transfer to the base of their choice by submitting a request through channels, without reference to Headquarters, USAF, to the commander of that base, an other part of the message read. These requests will be favorably considered unless the base to which reassignment is desired is not authorized an AFSC possessed by the individual requesting reassignment.

In the event an airman with 21 years service is presently stationed at the base of his choice, he will not be reassigned without the approval of the Director of Military Personnel, Hq, USAF.

Airmen with 20 to 26 years service towards retirement may upon completion of an overseas tour indicate three choices for ZI base assignment and will be assigned to one of the three, providing an authorization for his AFSC exists.

'US' Lapel Insignia Cut From Uniform

The "US" insignia on the Air Force uniform is on its way out. Effective July 1, Reese officials were notified Monday, the insignia currently worn on the collar or lapel of the uniform will be eliminated and no device will replace this "US."

The only exception will be on uniforms worn by basic airmen, the least grade, and by officer candidates, which include aviation cadets at Reese and other training bases.

EXPERIMENT WITH CIVILIANS

End of KP 'Blues' Seen at Vance

Lower grade airmen at Reese this week longingly wished ATRC had selected this base for the test of what may become the famous KP experiment.

"The end of KP is in sight for airmen of Vance AFB, Okla.," the March issue of AIR TRAINING, monthly magazine of ATRC, said. "Vance will be the scene of a test during the next year to determine whether or not civilian caterers can operate mess services more economically than at present. Food

and menus will still be supplied by the government, but civilians will handle preparation of meals, serving, and cleanup, except in the hospital mess.

"The plan, proposed by ATRC and approved by USAF, will get underway as soon as contracts can be let. ATRC believes the test will show that civilian contractors can operate messes at less cost per serving, turn out more appetizing meals, provide better control of portions, and eliminate pulling

skilled airmen off essential duties to take turns at KP. Since one result will be to increase manhours available for military duties, Vance's airmen strength authorization will be reduced accordingly."

A set-up similar to that going into effect at Vance was considered at Reese several months ago, but was not put into effect. If the program works at Vance, airmen at Reese who have worked week-long KP hope it will be extended eventually to this station.



THE BIG BASS DRUM ...to disappear

Colorful Group Has Long History

One of the most colorful and best known military organizations at Reese will soon disappear from the base in line with Air Force economy cuts. The 514th Air Force Band, stationed here since 1949, is scheduled to disband by Monday and send its personnel to new assignments throughout the USAF.

Official word of the move came from FTAF headquarters this week after notice of the possible inactivation had been in the wind for months. FTAF General Order 6 broke up the bands of Reese, Foster, Goodfellow, and Vance AFBs and gave instructions for disposition of property and accounts, at the same time stating that band members will be re-assigned sometime later in the week.

The band director, WOJG Robert L. Kaler, was directed last week to proceed from his post here to Elmendorf AFB, Alaska.

The general order retained bands at nine bases of Flying Training Air Force, including Webb AFB, Big Spring; Gary AFB, San Marcos; James Connally AFB, Waco; and Ellington AF, Houston. Each will be 20-pieces.

First available records indicate that the 514th was stationed at Lincoln AAF, Lincoln, Neb., and in January 1946 was transferred to Barksdale Field, La.

On the First of May, that year, the band swung into action at Barksdale with 13 members. Their first duty was limited to a dance orchestra, using personal instruments. Later they acquired musical instruments and a library from the inactivated 627th AAF band at Turner Field, Ga. On May 18, 1946 the band turned out with 14 men to furnish music for their first post review.

At that time one of the members was T-Sgt. Robert L. Kaler, now director and a warrant officer. In November 1948 he received his discharge at Barksdale and reenlisted at Scott AFB, Ill. Upon making master sergeant he applied for and received his warrancy in the band career field. Later he was shipped to Reese and back to his old outfit.

In the meantime, Reese had been reactivated and the 514th was assigned as a unit here September 1949 under the direction of CWO Carmine Luce, who was sent to Kelly AFB in February 1951.

During their tenure at Reese the band has performed at ev-
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Randolph to Install Transition Course For 'Flying Boxcar'

A new type of assignment for Reese graduates this week apparently faced some members of Classes 54-L and 54-N.

The March issue of AIR TRAINING, monthly publication of ATRC said that first students will enter the new C-119, or 'flying boxcar,' transition course at Randolph AFB the first week in July and that students will be graduates of basic multi-engine course at Reese and Vance AFBs.

The C-119 course will be about six weeks, it was announced, and will include 100 hours of academics, 12 hours in one of three simulators, and 40 hours in the air. Previously, Tactical Air Command has been handling the transition.



MRS. MUNDELL
...new director

Hostess Named At Service Club

Mrs. Catherine Mundell, Reese's new Service club hostess, has had plenty of experience in directing recreational activities. Since 1940 Mrs. Mundell has been in various ways associated with the direction of recreation for servicemen and for civilian employees of the Air Force.

Mrs. Mundell was named last week to succeed Miss Mary Sufall, whose health caused her to resign in order to move to Arizona.

The new hostess, a native of Kansas City, Mo., studied piano and vocal music in Kansas City under Edna Forsythe and later under Marie Murphy. She attended a Kansas junior college before going to work in 1934 for the U. S. Treasury in Kansas City and Jefferson, Mo. In 1941 and 1942 she worked as Civilian Personnel at Victorville Air Field, Cal. From 1942 to 1946 she was at what is now March AFB, in San Bernadino, Cal., where she was hostess and director of an off-base club for enlisted men, and also official hostess at the community center in a housing project for civilian workers. There she instructed in ceramics and beadwork, and ran amateur

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Cadets To Get Bars Before Graduation

Next Monday is commissioning day for Class 54-F, two weeks ahead of graduation day.

Classes 54-E and 54-F entered pre-flight training on the same date, January 5, 1953, and Class 54-E left March 5 for primary training. Class 54-F stayed around a couple more weeks at Lackland AFB, but FTAF has decided its members ought to have their commissions the same day as Easy, which will be commissioned and receive pilot wings at Vance AFB on March 15.

So, at 0900 hours Monday in base theater the 76 members of Fox class will be made second lieutenants and March 31 they will receive their wings. Maj. Tobias Schindler, Student squadron commander, is to administer the oath and Col. Robert L. Wright, Pilot Training group commander, will give a short congratulatory talk. Then the students will return to training on the flight line or in academics.

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Your Chapel

March 3 the Christian world turned to the observance of Lent, the season dedicated to the prophetic theme: "Sure He hath borne our griefs and carried our sorrows. . . He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities. . . The Lord hath laid on Him the iniquity of us all." During the six weeks of Easter we think of the events before that dark Good Friday. We remember Christ in Gethsemane, praying in the garden. He is in judgment before the High Priest, Pilate and Herod. In bearing the cross is shown His great suffering. Then when he hung on the cross that heavens had darkened in sympathy with the suffering Savior. The earth shuddered. Those beneath the cross confessed "Truly, this was the Son of God!" This was the verdict of the professional soldier, the centurion.

Christ claimed to be the Son of God. He supported this by his miracles, His prophecies, His words of instruction and comfort and understanding, His love for the lost, His help for the helpless. Our witness during this season is personal when we say, "Truly, this was the Son of God!" We have a Savior. All historical evidence points to this. But even more convincing is the testimony we have of God's Holy Spirit. There is the gift of the new vision. We see that we are significant — the chosen of God. We may be certain of a life on faith and hope. Many can tell this story of being blood bought by the Christ of the cross. Strengthen your faith and make your life full by reviewing the historical evidence which causes the bold and strong confession, "Truly, this was the Son of God."

ALVIN A. KATT
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 Wing Chaplain

The officers, airmen, and families of the 3500th Motor Vehicle Squadron cordially invite all military and civilian personnel and their families to worship with them in the following Chapel services:
CATHOLIC:
 Sunday Masses 0900 and 1215
 Daily Mass followed by Rosary Devotions 1645

AF Education Aid High

The Air Force paid \$551.99 to Texas Technological Institute for tuition of Reese personnel attending courses during the Fall Semester. This figure represents average expenditures of \$20.44 for every man passing a course.

A total of 85 persons from Reese began courses during the Fall Semester. They consisted of 14 officers and 71 airmen. Of this total, however, only 28 airmen and 5 officers completed their full semester's work, (six of these failed.) A total of 36 persons withdrew while still making passing grades. Five withdrew failing and 11 failed to complete their courses, usually by non-attendance. Sixteen men, enrolled in 24 courses were forced to withdraw because of transfers from the base, while twelve still assigned here withdrew for various reasons. Thus more than 37 percent of the total tuition costs to the government or \$204.87 was literally thrown

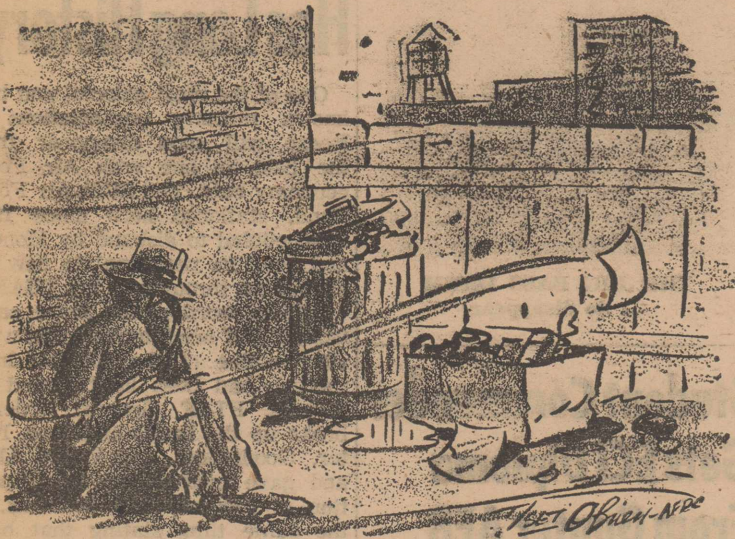
down the drain.

If these figures are any indication of a world wide trend, we are not giving fair return for the Air Force's investment in our education and future. We realize, of course, that military duties, transfers and personal problems will always take a certain toll of military students in civilian institutions, but 37 percent of the taxpayer's money wasted is inexcusable. We are not giving John Q. Public his money's worth.

Persons interested in enrollment at civilian institutions should attempt to anticipate incidents leading to disenrollment before signing up for a course. A person being transferred from the area has no choice but to leave a local school, but few excuses exist for men disenrolling for other reasons.

If we fail to guard our education program more closely, we will lose another "fringe benefit."

The Price of AWOL High



A lot of men in Service think about going AWOL. Fortunately, most of them don't go any further. This is good sense because those who do take off spend a lot of time being sorry later. They have learned that the price of AWOL is high.

There can be dozens of reasons why you might want to go over the hill. Maybe your wife is sick. . . maybe your family is having financial troubles. . . maybe your girl has sent you a "Dear John" letter. . . or maybe you are just fed up with everything. But no matter what the problem, there are better ways of handling it than by running away. Every installation has persons charged with giving you help when you need it.

Besides when you take off you are running out on your country and on the buddies who serve with you. Somebody else will have to carry your load. Then when you come back, you'll find out you lost much more.

If you go AWOL, you are bound to lose money. You are certain to lose your pay for the time you are absent. If you are court martialled and found guilty, you may forfeit part of your future pay as punishment. You may be demoted or bypassed for promotion and thus earn less money for your mistake.

If you are AWOL for more than two months or are convicted of desertion, your family allotment checks stop. If you are caught by civilian authorities, you will have to pay for the expenses involved. And, of course, as an AWOL you will have to pay for your own transportation back to your station.

Another penalty which is even more severe is the loss of your personal freedom. You may be restricted to your company area on extra details. If your case is considered serious, you may be confined in the local guardhouse, a disciplinary barracks or even a Federal prison.

The final penalty is worse than your loss of either money of personal freedom. It is your loss of reputation. You will be held back from promotions and better assignments while in Service. When you return to civilian life, you will find your record against you when you apply for a job or try to become a respected member of your community.

Yes, the price of AWOL is high. (AFPS)

Books Available To Aid Writers In Story Contest

The Air Force short story contest being sponsored at Reese by the base library is an opportunity to try your wings as a writer. Serious consideration should be given to the matter before you decide not to enter.

Perhaps you have ideas but doubt your ability to write a winning story. That's where your base library comes in with needed help from such books as these:

"Plots That Sell to Top Pay Magazines," by Simmons.

Here we have 30 basic fiction plots that are acceptable to leading magazines. Plots are outlined in detail with simple, precise explanations on how to write each — invaluable to both the professional and beginner.

"Short Story Craft" by Gilkes
 The author, who is instructor in short story writing at New York University, describes techniques and gives examples from well-known authors.

"Writing Magazine Fiction" by Campbell

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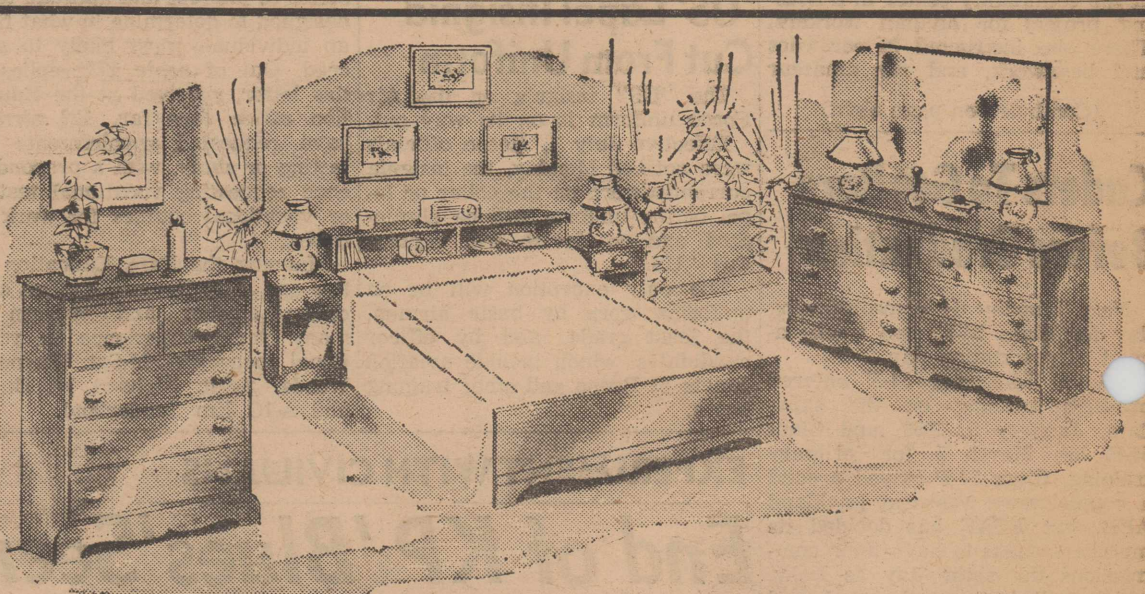


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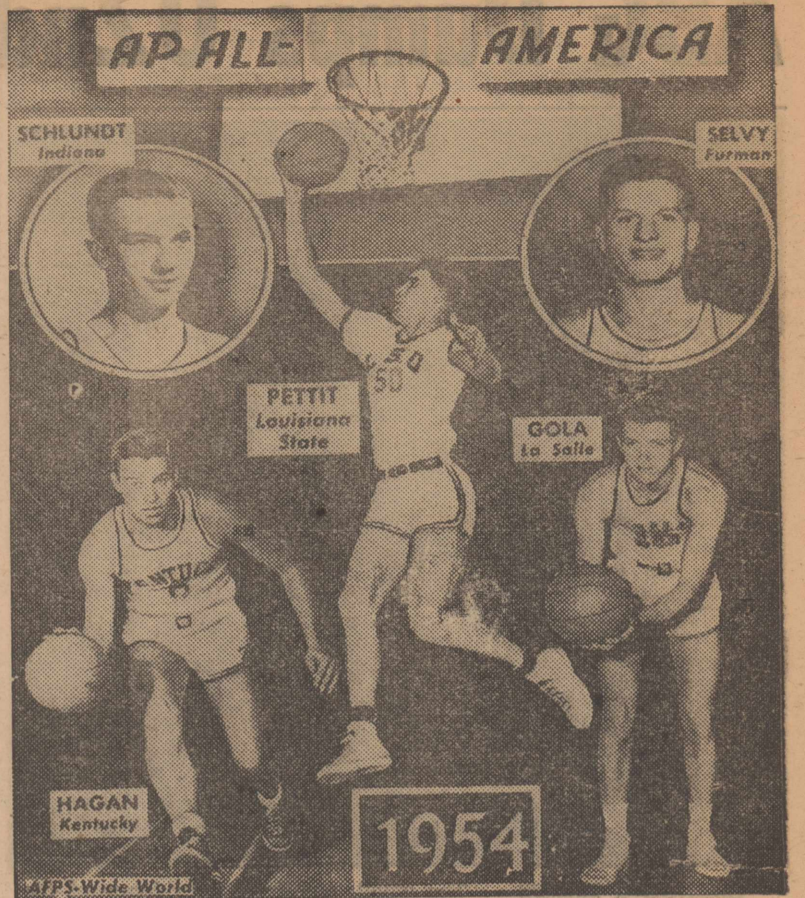
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TWO-YEAR-CHAMPS — The Headquarters squadron of Air Base group basketball team jubilantly line up after their upset victory over favored 3502nd Maintenance squadron Monday night. The triumph gave ABG possession of the base intramural crown and marked the second time in two consecutive seasons they have received this honor. ABGers include, front left to right, G. Nassif, J. Labus, E. Jones, B. Beutel, E. Grier, B. Carls; standing, J. Bauwens, R. Weeks, J. Boyett, F. Hansen, J. and Casl.



THIS is the 1954 All-American basketball team voted by the AP poll of 365 sportswriters and broadcasters across the country. The top five college hoopsters are Don Schlundt, Indiana; Frank Selvy, Furman; Cliff Hagan, Kentucky; Bob Pettit, Louisiana State; and Tom Gola, LaSalle. Five points were given for a first place vote. Two for a second team vote. Furman's Frank Selvy topped the poll with 1,482 points.

Over the Fence

By A-1C Jim Sunderland

Before entering into the latest developments in the baseball world we're going to stick our neck out with a few assumptions, hunches, opinions, wild ideas or whatever you may want to call them. Here are some of our hunches:

1. Duke Snider and Ted Williams will win the batting crowns in their respective leagues.
- the N. L. home run title and
2. Ralph Kiner will regain the N. L. home run title and Al Rosen will repeat in the A. L.
3. Eddie Robinson, Yankees, and Gil Hodges, Dodgers, will be the RBI leaders.
4. Vic Raschi will succeed with the Cards, winning more than 15 games.
5. Walt Alston of Brooklyn will be the "manager of the year."
6. Milwaukee will miss the pennant due to inconsistent pitching.
7. The most under-rated players in the majors are Woodling and Bauer of the Yanks; Furillo, Dodgers; Jackson, Cubs; White, Red Sox; and Busby, Senators.
8. The most over-rated are

Mantle and McDougall, Yanks; Easter, Indians; Mathews and Burdette, Braves; Staley, Cards; Maglie, Giants; and Ennis, Phils.

We'll pull our necks in, at least for now, and give forth with a few items of interest.

Some rumors worth watching appeared in the last issue of The Sporting News. Earl Torgeson is, on the block, after a year with the Phils. Philadelphia wants to trade him to the Giants for Don Mueller and Bob Hofman, or to Pittsburgh for either Hal Rice or Dick Groat, now in the Army. It looks to us as though Mr. Carpenter had better lower his demands in trying to dispose of Torgeson.

Also from the Sporting News comes a report that Washington is willing to trade 35-year old Mickey Vernon to the Red Sox for any two of the following four players: first baseman Dick Gernert or Norm Zanebin, outfielder Karl Olson and-or pitcher Leo Kiely.

Brooklyn is "interested" in Cincinnati pitcher Harry Perkowski. We wonder if the Dodgers will be willing to give up Bobby Morgan, Dick Williams, Shuba of any other of their supply of "good bench warmers." It is probable that they will for the right pitcher.

Mickey Owen, once a Cardinal and Dodger star, returns to the majors this year at the age of 38. He'll work as utility catcher and coach for the Red Sox.

Anybody want to bet that Johnny Sain doesn't return to the Yanks? We'll even give odds. His type of "holdout" is a new twist for baseball, and in view of the way George Weiss is trying to lure him

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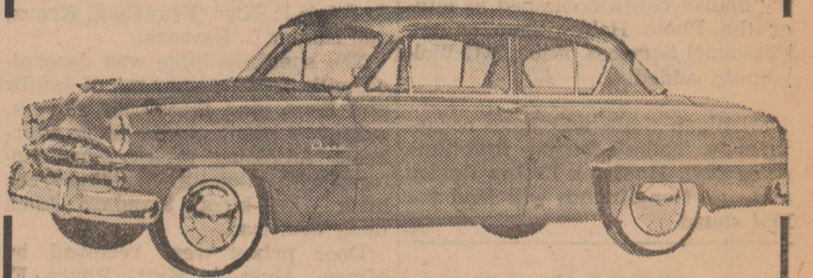
OTHE RBRIEFS:

Mickey Mantle will ride the Yankee bench until May 1, doctor's orders; Bobby Thomson will bat clean-up for the Braves; Dizzy Dean thinks the Cards pulled a rock in the Vic Raschi switch; the "Game of the Week" telecast will originate from six ball parks this year — Indians, White Sox, Phillies, Giants, Senators and Dodgers. The "Game of the Day" radio broadcast will originate from every city except St. Louis and Pittsburgh.

Don't forget to get your tickets to the Cubs-Baltimore exhibition to be played in Lubbock March 28. It ought to be a good one!

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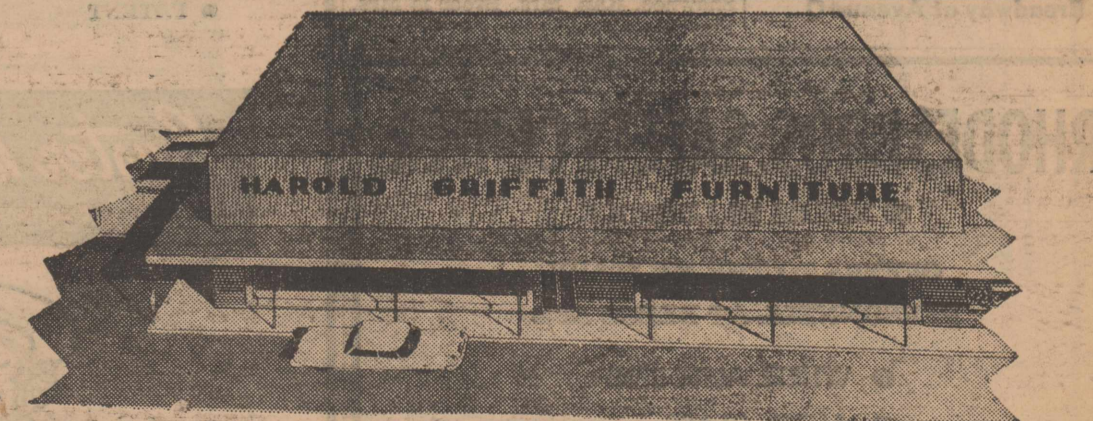
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ABG Dumps 02nd for Intramural Cage Crown

By A-1C Jim Sunderland

In one of the most inspired comebacks in Reese intramural sports competition, Hq Sq ABG captured the base basketball championship for the second straight year by defeating favored 3502nd Maint. Sq. in two straight games, 48 to 44 and 48 to 45.

Needing only one victory to clinch the playoffs, 3502nd entered last Friday night's game a heavy favorite. The Air Base Group team had other ideas. Leading by five points at the half, they set themselves against a repetition of the second half rush displayed successfully by 3502nd in the first playoff meeting of the two teams. 3502nd won that one 55 to 45 after trailing by 12 points at the half.

This time it was a different story—we clung to the lead and emerged a 48 to 44 victor. Red Hensley led the ABG scoring with 13 points, followed closely by Fred Hansen and pivotman Slim Boyett with 12 each. Touchette and Ballew of 02nd were the game's high scorers, each contributing 14 points.

The Monday game now loomed as the championship contest, the game that would decide whether 3502nd, still smarting from last year's loss, or ABG, more determined than ever to repeat as champions, would earn the victory and its reward, the new jackets that are awarded to members of the winning squad.

Another rousing battle was expected, and that's exactly what transpired. At the end of the first quarter the score was tied at 12 all, and ABG pulled to a 24 to 23 lead at the half. Play in the second half built up in momentum and became more tense. For ABG, Boyett, Hensley, Grier, Hansen, and Bauwens were getting their share of rebounds and hitting with fair accuracy against their taller opponents. 3502nd, who played with out Dailey, one of their usual starters, was sub-par by their usual standards in shot percentage and

in rebounding.

Competition passed into the fourth quarter with the ABG team still owning the lead, by a 32 to 30 margin. After only one minute of the last quarter had elapsed, Ed Grier, one of the tournament's outstanding players, fouled out for ABG and was replaced by Buddy Carls. At this time, 3502nd had pulled to a four point lead.

Things looked black for the defending champions. It wasn't long, however, before the score was again tied. With only a minute and 45 seconds remaining in the game, the score was 42 to 42. ABG then pulled ahead and played alert ball as they stymied the final 02nd bid.

Hats off to a game 3502nd crew who played hard and well all the way. The ABG effort was a team victory, every man earning an equal share of credit. Coached by M-Sgt. A. J. Bouler, the men exceptional praise for the manner in which they overcame some early-season raggedness, and molded into a smooth machine featured by alert teamwork. The squadron is proud of its championship team just as the team members are proud of their well-earned new jackets.

By the way, after the victory had been achieved, the team staged a mild celebration in the Stag bar of the NCO club.

Reese Tree Toppers Extended Invitation By Lubbock Group

Reese personnel have been invited to join a Lubbock social club being organized for the benefit of tall people.

The club plans to provide a place where tall people can get together and enjoy contacts with others of their stature.

To qualify, men must be at least 6 feet, 2 inches in height and 20 years of age; women must measure 5 feet 11 inches and be 18 or over. Married couples both must meet the minimum requirements. As yet a place of meeting has not been set.

Interested persons have been asked to phone Miss Lois Karsevar at 2-7524 during the day or 2-69 evenings. They may also call Miss Nancy Gavin at 4-5870.

TOURNAMENTS SCHEDULED

The base badminton singles and handball doubles tournaments will begin March 15, S-Sgt. Charles McKinney, Personnel services, announced. All interested personnel are urged to make applications at the Base gym before 1200 Monday.



CHANGING HANDS — The gavel, signifying presidency of the Officers Wives club, passes from the retiring officer to the new. Here, Mrs. Robert L. Wright, left, hands over the object to Mrs. Murray W. Crowder Jr. who was recently installed as president during formal ceremonies.

Personnel Services Announces Contests

A model airplane contest, open to all interested base personnel, will be held here on May 1st and 2nd, WOJG Kenneth W. Wolgemuth base personnel services officer announced. Prizes will be awarded for the winning entries in stunt, combat, non-flying and free flight phases. Further information can be obtained by the Model Hobby shop, Bldg. T-226.

WO Wolgemuth also announced that a base level photography will be held here in July. Winning entries will then compete in the FTAF, ATRC and All-Air Force contests, winners in which will compete in the Fifth Interservice Photography contest, to be held in November. Information and entry blanks can be obtained at either the Photo Hobby Shop or the Personnel Services office, WO Wolgemuth added.

Michigan State will have cocaptains in football for the first time since 1942. Halfback LeRoy Bolden and end Don Knauth will lead the 1954 squad.

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Officers Wives Club

By Mrs. Peter L. Coffield

The Reese Officers Wives club held their annual election officers last Thursday afternoon at a luncheon held in the Officers club.

Elected to the office of president was Mrs. Murray W. Crowder Jr.; first vice president, Mrs. William R. Wright; second vice president, Mrs. Richard L. Boulware; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Robert C. Shaw; recording secretary, Mrs. Donald L. Powell; treasurer, Mrs. Thomas P. Carroll; and assistant treasurer, Mrs. Robert R. Wilkins.

Senior hostess at the luncheon was Mrs. Thomas P. Carroll, assisted by Mmes. Crowder, Richard G. Pratt, Howard G. Crawford, Rudolph P. Kiss, Francis J. Kranz, and Homer L. Parsons.

The speakers table was decorated with an arrangement of lambs and lions, and three leaf clovers, with two giant clouds hung overhead. Adjoining tables were centered with miniature budding trees hung with kites. Standard kites hung overhead.

Door prizes were received by Mmes. Alvin A. Katt, Royce F. Miller, Richard M. Donaldson, Clyde H. Plemons, Raymond A. Lawn, Richard L. Boulware, Robert F. Roesser, and Bob G. Miller. Approximately 150 attended the luncheon. Mrs. A. F. Breer was a guest.

Spending a week in the home of Capt. and Mrs. Donald L. Powell are Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Breer from Shawnee, Kan. Mrs. Breer is Mrs. Powell's sister.

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Friendships Renewed By Old, New Cadets

This column, which appears after being absent from the last three issues, is the first of a new series. From all indications, it will be a permanent fixture in future editions of the "Roundup," and, if present plans materialize, will be in an expanded, newsier form. Keep your eye on the Korral!

Even though it isn't this writer's job to editorialize, nevertheless occasions do arise when necessity seems to dictate commenting on certain events. Specifically, I have in mind the fine spirit of co-operation shown by members of the student squadron when they were called upon to stimulate sale of tickets to the base performances of "Annie Get Your Gun." The statistics on the sale have already been published and credit for a job-well-done has already been given to the squadron as a whole, so here I'd like to tip my hat to the individuals who participated in the organization and leg-work necessary for the successful completion of the campaign. Despite the fact that the strongest training emphasis is placed on leadership, it is made very obvious by this accomplishment that active teamwork is an important by-product.

Class news for this issue is not really news at all, but is deserving of space no matter how belated it may be.

The arrival of 54-N created an

old-home-week atmosphere in the cadet area a couple of weeks ago as members of all classes renewed acquaintances struck up with them during preflight and primary training. Rumor has it that their coming coincided with a sharp increase in business volume at the club bar.

It seems that the theme song of the newly appointed "H" class cadet officers is, "There'll be Some Changes Made!"

Lower classmen are casting envious glances at the air of gentlemanly leisure surrounding members of "Fox" class as they take advantage of their officer's privileges. "They got it made," seems to be the only comment fully describing general reaction toward their new-found freedom.

Intersquadron competition in all phases appears to be dominated by Cadet Squadron "B." Since the institution of this competition at Reese they have placed at the top in all activities falling in this category. Their latest win was accomplished through the sale of tickets for "Annie Get Your Gun," which was won handily by accounting for the marketing of 56 ducats, 11 more than their nearest rival. At last reports the men from "B" were also leading in the sale of Red Cross memberships, although "A" squadron appeared to be a very strong contender for top honors. More on this, and other things of note, next week — if Spring fever doesn't get us all first. See you then.

Bad Flying Weather Grounds Flight Four

By Capt. Frank K. Emery

After a "flying start" with the new 54-J class, Flight four bogged down on flying time, because of dust and low visibility during the past week. However, students were assigned to synthetic trainer, pressure chamber flights, and daily briefings in the flight room to prepare them for the more arduous flying training to come in the next 11 weeks.

Class 54-J, composed entirely of cadets, appears to be eager to learn to fly the TB-25. It will be interesting to note how Class 54-J will compare with Class 54-D, composed entirely of student officers, which graduated last week. Class 54-D turned out to be above average in flying ability and appeared highly motivated.

First Lieutenant Charles W. McConnell, who graduated from Flight four in March, 1951, and was retained as an instructor after graduation, is being discharged next month and will return to his home in Brighton, Mich. He plans to go in business for himself as a civilian flight instructor. Lieutenant McConnell has been a very popular instructor, both with his students, and with his fellow instructors in Flight four, who regret his decision to leave military life.

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1700
"Spring Skies Over Texas," planetarium demonstration. Adults 50 cents, children 25 cents.

Lubbock Now Offers Tournament Bridge

Lubbock now offers Reese bridge players the opportunity to play duplicate bridge. The Lubbock Duplicate Bridge club holds a weekly tournament each Thursday at 1930 in the Hotel Lubbock.

Tournament bridge is the same as rubber bridge, with the exception that all players play the same hands. That is, hands are dealt, and after being played are kept intact to be played by other players. After all players have played all hands, scores on each individual hand are compared, the tournament winner being the pair having the best comparative scores.

The Lubbock club is accredited by the American Contract Bridge league, and awards master points to top players. A player's national ranking is determined by the number of master points he possesses.

Jack Kendrick, Club director, invited Reese bridge players to come to the Hotel Lubbock any Thursday night. He emphasized that it is not necessary to have played duplicate previously in order to have an enjoyable evening. Players may come singly if they don't have a partner, as the club will furnish one, Kendrick added.



REPORT from WASHINGTON

Instructions have been sent to Army commanders at all levels directing them to take action against any of their officers who are established as security risks. These instructions are the result of policy decisions by the Secretary of the Army.

Commanders have been told to act under appropriate regulations and to give discharges other than honorable to any who are found by action of a board of officers to be security risks. This directive does not apply to regular Army officers with more than three years of service. The procedures governing the separation from the Service of these officers are contained in SR-600-220-1.

The handling of all such cases is to be expedited. Refusal by an officer to sign the Loyalty Certificate (DD Forms 98 and 98a), or a plea of protection under the Fifth Amendment to the Constitution or under Article 31 of the UCMJ in response to questions on subversive activities when properly put, will be considered sufficient evidence to establish an individual as a security risk. These new instructions are to govern if there is a conflict with existing regulations.

Turkish Foreign Minister Faud Koprulu has announced that five naval bases and 11 airfields will be built in Turkey in the next few years as part of the NATO program. Plans, as confirmed here in Washington, include a nation-wide radar network and three major pipelines to supply jet fuel to Turkey's four Thunderjet groups and to NATO aircraft to be based in the country.

The Defense Department has placed the total strength of the Armed Forces on Jan. 31 at 3,380,617. This represents a decline of 22,169 from the December strength of 3,402,786. Recruitment and induction of enlisted personnel for all the military services during January was estimated at 81,704 including 24,013 Selective Service inductions, 43,117 new enlistments and 14,574 re-enlistments. A breakdown of the strength of the Services as of Jan. 31, 1954, shows: Army — 1,459,932; Navy — 761,385; Air Force — 918,670 and Marine Corps — 240,630.

CDR Charles Brendler, USN, leader of the U.S. Navy Band, has been elected president of the American Bandmasters Assn. The election was held at West Point. CDR Brendler is the first Navy officer to attain the rank of commander in the field of music. He was awarded this distinction on July 17, 1953, by President Eisenhower. The U.S. Military Academy, West Point, N. Y., and the Command and General Staff College,

Ft. Leavenworth, Kans., both are anticipating new commanders. Lt. Gen. Blackshear M. Bryan, now CG of the I Corps in Korea, has been named to succeed Maj. Gen. Frederick A. Irving, who will retire, as superintendent of West Point. He will take over sometime in the fall. Maj. Gen. Garrison H. Davidson, senior Army member of the Weapons Evaluation Group in the Office of the Secretary of Defense, will succeed Maj. Gen. Henry I. Hodes as commandant of the Army Command and General Staff College. Gen. Hodes has been assigned to the U.S. Army, Europe.

The Navy has announced that this month will see the end of separate recruitment of stewards. Under the new plan an applicant will be enlisted only as a seaman recruit. He will have the opportunity to apply for service in any of the Navy's specialty groups, including stewards, at the end of recruit training.

Promotion quotas released by the Department of the Army show that during March, 500 EM will

1900-6 Gets Two Overseas Returnees

By A-I CLyle D. Murphy

Two men have recently joined the 1900-6 AACS detachment here at Reese after completing tours of duty overseas. They are A-1C Elwood J. Louch who has just returned from a year in Korea, and A-2C Thomas Q. Osborn who was stationed in Greenland. Airman Osborn was under the command of Major Walls, former commander of the detachment here. Both are assigned to the radio maintenance section.

A-2C Barrey E. Wickliffe has returned from Keesler AFB where he recently completed a technical school training course in the Air Traffic Control field. Another recent returnee from tech school is A-2C Francis A. Mason.

be promoted to E-6, 10,000 to E-5, 20,000 to E-4, but none to E-7.

The Air Force will promote 4,275 to captain and 2,140 to major in increments which began Mar. 1, 1954. The last promotions will be made June 15, 1954.

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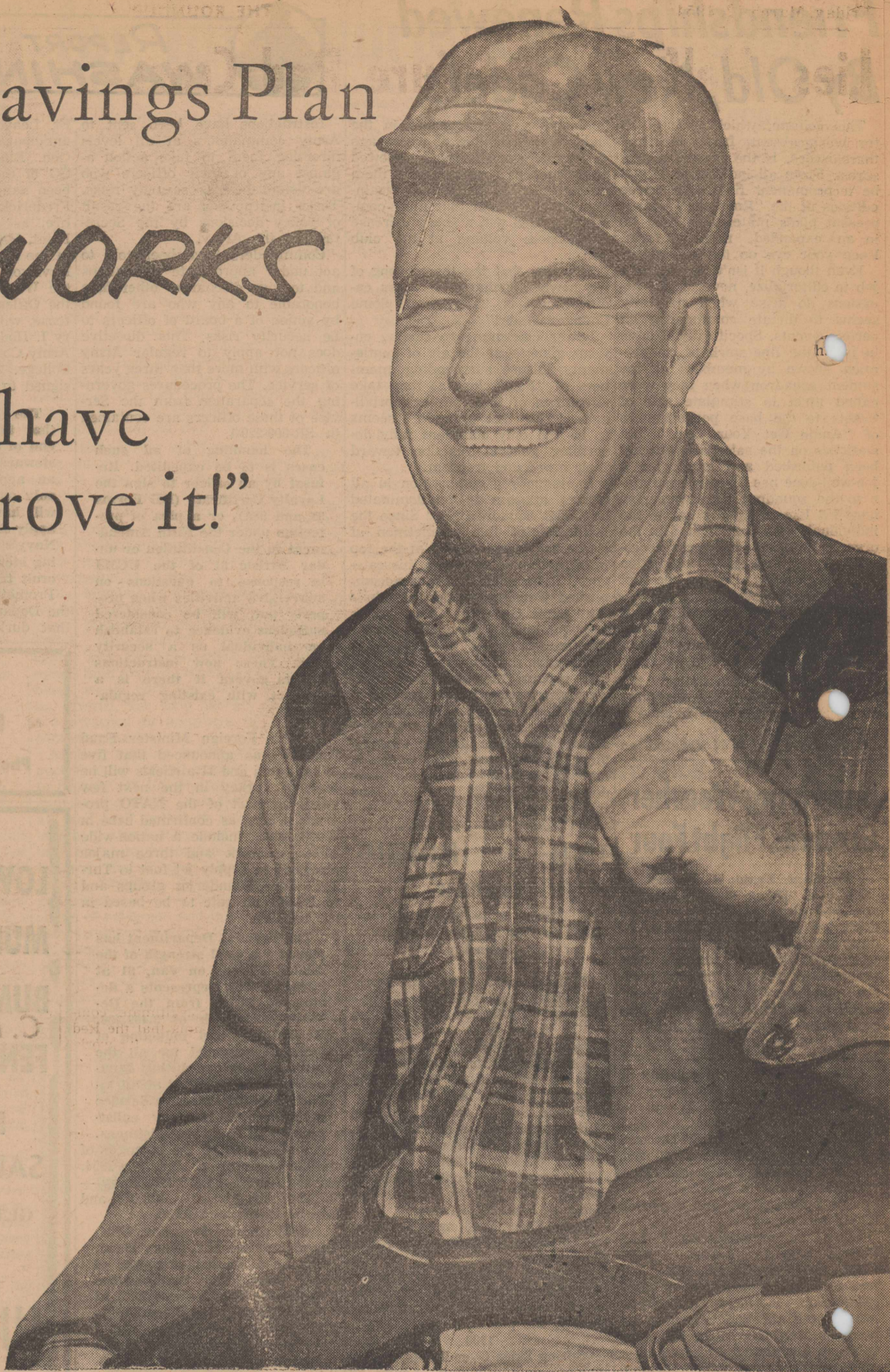
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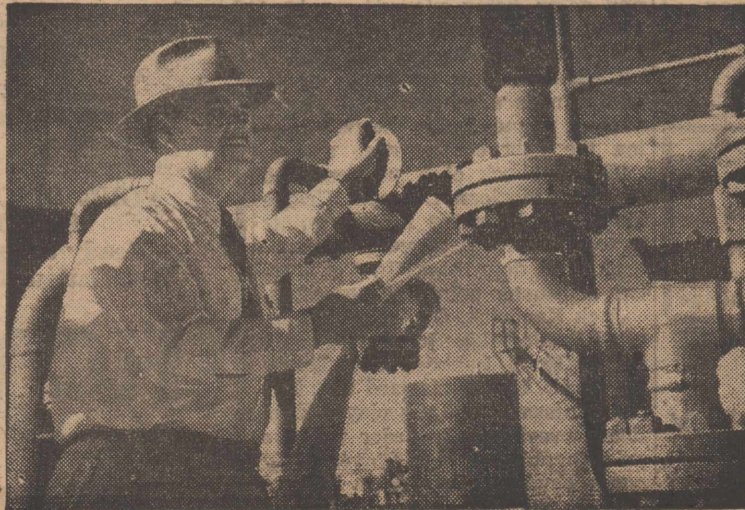
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Lies, Half-Truths Injure Red Cross

A vocal young veteran in a small midwestern town had some pretty harsh words to say about the Red Cross blood program.

According to his story — and he told it often and loudly — he had been wounded during a flight in Korea and hospitalized in Yokohama. He received 14 pints of Red Cross blood, he said, and was charged \$25 a pint for it. The money was deducted regularly from his pay, he added, to make sure that it was collected.

Naturally, a story like that played hob with Red Cross blood collections in the town and quickly came to the ears of the chapter's blood chairman. A personal visit to the veteran brought confirmation of the story with such added details as his serial number and overseas unit. Armed with this information, the blood chairman wrote in to Red Cross headquarters for a check.

The investigation — a painstaking one that required almost three months — revealed that, literally, not one word of the veteran's story was true. He had not paid for blood of course; he had never been wounded; and he had never been in Korea. His service record showed a long list of disciplinary fines and court-martial for AWOL. And as cream for the dressing, it revealed that he left the service still owing \$15 on a \$30 Red Cross loan for emergency transportation home when his father was ill.

Faced with these facts, the veteran had no choice but to admit that he had fabricated the whole yarn just — as he put it — "to impress the guys down at work."

As Red Cross campaign time rolls around, possibly you will begin to hear stories like this. Not all of them will be as easy to disprove as the veteran's blood story. Some of them will involve half-truths or distortions of the truth. But all of them will have one thing in common — they will present the Red Cross in an unfavorable light.

For the record here are the true facts on some of the most common of these false rumors which have a strange way of popping up more frequently during a Red Cross campaign.

The Red Cross never charges for the services or supplies it gives to servicemen or disaster victims. Hundreds of reports of such charges have been checked and in not one case was the story verified. The only exception to the No-charge rule occurred during World War I when the military insisted that the Red Cross make a minimum charge for food and lodging at certain of its overseas clubs.

Blood collected by the Red Cross is never sold by the organization to anyone, any-

BED-TO-BED SERVICE — Mrs. Clifford E. Layne, Grey Lady from Lubbock, prepares to distribute reading materials to patients in the base hospital. Red Cross-supported, the agency is devoted to giving help and comfort to those in need.



where. The Red Cross cannot grant or withhold leave for servicemen — leaves are controlled entirely by military authorities. The Red Cross enters the picture only to provide verified information about home conditions in cases of emergency.

The salaries of paid Red Cross workers are set by the volunteers who run the organization and are in line with those paid by other welfare agencies. They are lower than the salaries paid for similar work in private industry. E. Roland Harriman, chairman of the Red Cross, is a full-time volunteer who receives no salary.

The Red Cross makes no secret of what it does with the funds it receives. The Department of the Army makes an annual audit of national Red

Cross expenditures for submission to Congress. In addition, its accounts are audited a second time by Haskins and Sells, a private firm of public accountants. The national organization and individual chapters also publish annual financial statements to show how Red Cross money is spent.

The Red Cross is eager to halt the spread of misinformation and false rumors about its services — and at the same time it is ready to act on every legitimate complaint. No one claims that the Red Cross is perfect or that its workers never make mistakes. Occasionally they do. In any case all that the organization asks is that rumors or complaints be brought to the attention of responsible Red Cross officials.



PLUSH LIVING — Enjoying the comforts of the new bachelor airmen quarters are master sergeants, James R. Reaver, left, and William H. Rosser. The quarters were opened up in January to top NCOs.

BOOKS AVAILABLE....

(Continued From Page two) that has been successful. He is well qualified to advise a beginner.

"The Contest Story" by Burnham This book not only tells about producing the story but about the central idea behind winning contests. The writer is a man with 20 years of experience as a competitor and he has been a consistent winner.

"Writing To Sell" by Meredith Here is the experience you ordinarily could get only by a per-

sonal interview with an editor or publisher. Mr. Meredith tells you from the publisher's angle what is desirable and what is undesirable and how to make the most of your abilities.

"Word Power Made Easy" by Lewis

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Entertainment Roundup

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NCO CLUB — Bingo, \$500, Scotchman band.

OFFICERS CLUB — Open house.

SAURDAY

SERVICE CLUB — Children's

NCO CLUB — Informal dance, Bernie Howell.

OFFICERS CLUB — Informal dance with "The Esquires," 2100-0100.

SUNDAY

SERVICE CLUB — Recreational movies, 2000 hours.

NCO CLUB — Chicken dinner, 50 cents, 1700-2000.

OFFICERS CLUB — Open house.

MONDAY

SERVICE CLUB — Bingo.

NCO CLUB — Ladies Auxiliary.

OFFICERS CLUB — Game night, prizes for individual high scores in bridge.

TUESDAY

SERVICE CLUB — Women's Christ-

ian Fellowship, 1300 hours.

NCO CLUB — Guest bingo, \$100 jackpot.

OFFICERS CLUB — T-bone steak dinner, \$1, 1900.

WEDNESDAY

SERVICE CLUB — Bingo, 2000 hours.

NCO CLUB — Open house.

OFFICERS CLUB — Square dance instructions from 2000-2300.

THURSDAY

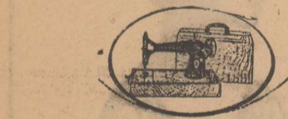
SERVICE CLUB — Coffee hour, 2000.

NCO CLUB — Opn house.

OFFICERS CLUB — Women's club program tea, 1330; half price cocktails, 1830-1930.

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Director Named

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contests and talent shows, among her other activities.

In 1946 Mrs. Mundell transferred to Kelly AFB at San Antonio, where she was in charge of all civilian personnel group activities and recreation. Her son and daughter-in-law, with their seven-months old daughter, still live in San Antonio, where he is a master sergeant in the National Guard. Since May 1952 Mrs. Mundell has been custodian of the Civilian Welfare council here at Reese.

The new hostess has toured the North American continent extensively, and is a great outdoors sport enthusiast. Since she is unfamiliar with former Service club schedules, she couldn't say just how different her new program would be, but she hopes to include some horseback riding, along with swimming and diving contests this summer, and some more excursions to points of interest in the area. She has some tentative plans for a dancing class, and is presently taking dancing lessons, in order to learn methods of instruction.

Band Moves—

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ery major and minor base function, besides appearing for hundreds of off-base organizations in all parts of the South Plains.

The number of different band appearances can be counted in the thousands. At one stretch, the 514th played over 15 jobs in one day. This was on an Americanism tour of neighboring communities which eventually led to a plane ride to Houston and an appearance in the Shamrock hotel.

The 514th had played for numerous parades, rodeos, and other events in this area and has appeared in concert before groups over the South Plains, each time adding fans to their following and vastly stimulating good will toward the Air Force.

Probably the most unique job ever handled by the band was the time they serenaded 200 pigs. Band personnel recalled this occasion when they were asked to appear at the climax of a drive by Lubbock citizens who had collected the porkers to send to San Salvador. Only a handful of people appeared, besides the band, on a cold, misty day at the Lubbock airport.

The band played — the pigs squealed — and no one knows who was the happiest when the plane was finally airborne.

But duties to the community were only a part of the band's responsibilities. On the base, the 514th was on hand to greet all military dignitaries and VIPs due honors. Reviews, parades and other ceremonies were conducted to the music of the group which once numbered 37 men and has since dwindled to 17.

During summer months concerts were frequently held and always rated high on the base entertainment list. The band was always present for many sports functions, such as playing between-inning music at Rattler-of-old baseball games.

At one time the organization recorded two weekly radio shows, "Wings Over Lubbock," and "On Parade."

All this activity is now in the past. Official messages reveal that a nucleus of four men will remain to be the center of a dance band and possibly a drum and bugle corps. Reese is sorry to see the 514th leave, for along with it goes much of the tradition and custom of military life.

Packing their belongings and making preparations to move upon notice are M-Sgt. Presley B. Wood, A-1Cs Henry E. Russell, George P. Throneburg, A-2Cs Roy P. Allison Jr., William F. Beebe, Donald H. Caughran, John L. Gordon, Joseph J. Karbelk Jr., Fenton S. Katz, Charles N. Smith, A-3Cs Wayne A. Dempsey, Daniel R. McLaughlin, David L. Miller, Bert H. Needham, Charles R. Newby, Bobby L. Ray, and Ted R. Short.

Tech Sergeant Charged With Directing On-Base, Public Information Program

This is the first in a series of weekly articles to appear in **The Roundup** dealing with personal information and duties of top NCOs at Reese.

Last payday, officers' wives were present in the squadrons to solicit Red Cross memberships.

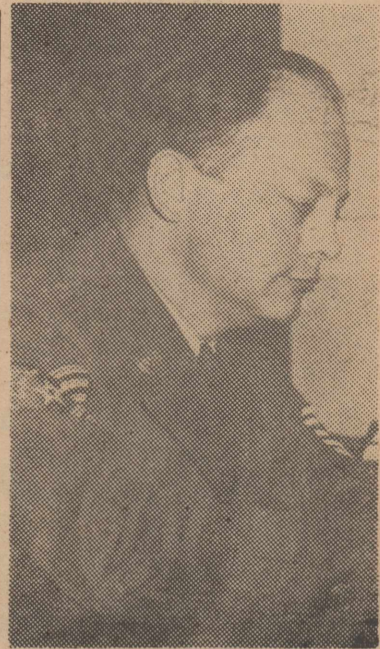
"Your name?" asked one of the ladies when a sergeant approached the table in the dayroom of the Wing Headquarters squadron.

"T-Sgt. Joe Blanks," the NCO answered.

The wives looked up and grinned with pleasure.

"Sergeant Blanks! That's a household word with us," one of them said.

And the sergeant's name is well known in most households at Reese for he is the one to whom everyone turns for pictures of various activities, to get publicity for organizations, to find out what is going on. It has been that way for over two years.



SGT. JOE BLANKS
... publicity man

Sergeant Blanks is the NCOIC in the Office of Information Services, and for over a year of his 27-month assignment to Reese he has been in complete charge of all information functions. At one time he directed a staff of 16 airmen while the base had no full-time PIO officer. During 1954 there has been an information officer, Capt. E. E. Ours Jr., but Sergeant Blanks gets almost as many calls for assistance as ever.

The top informational airman of Reese began his military service in 1932 and he's been in uniform ever since, piling up service and value to the armed forces. From 1932 to 1941 Sergeant Blanks was in the National Guard. Then came a stretch from 1941 to 1943 in the Army, and from July 1943 to the present it has been the Air Force.

It has been PIO and informational services most of the time for the sergeant, with 1946-1948 spent in recruiting for the Air Force in Virginia, three years which the Air Force found was quite productive.

From 1949 to 1951 Sergeant Blanks was the top information man in Alaska, serving as NCOIC under the adjutant at Elmendorf AFB, who had PIO duties in addition to his regular ones. Through his hands came all public information dealing with the Alaskan Air Command, including Elmen-

dorf, Ladd, Shemya, NeKnak, and Thornbrough. It was also his duty to write the highly classified history of the area so close to Siberia and the communist seat of control.

From Alaska Sergeant Blanks came to Reese and immediately stepped into his important duties, which include supervision of gathering and disseminating all news of the base, supervising the base newspaper and the base history, securing proper photographs, providing all stories and pictures wanted by newspapers, radio stations, TV stations, recruiters, and others from all over the nation, preparing reports, handling correspondence, and other tasks.

Sergeant Blanks is a native of Petersburg, Va., where he graduated from high school. In 1948 he passed the college level GED test.

He's a graduate of the chemical warfare school at Fort Meade, the

A&F school at Keesler AFB, Factory A&E school at Martin aircraft plant in Baltimore, gunnery school at Fort Myers, transition school for A-26 and B-26 aircraft at Barksdale, Lake Charles, and Moody AFBs, and of the adjutant general school at Fort Oglethorpe. He holds the American Defense and American Theatre Medals, World War II Victory medal, and Good Conduct medal with clusters. He lives at 117 Arnold drive, Reese Village, with his wife and four children, Joe, Jr., 12, Jerry, 6, Cathy 5, and Bonnie, 2.

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