

# ABG Man Named May Airman

## Education Outs For Eligibles Get Green Light

Official okay for early separation of certain airmen who plan to return to school or to a seasonal job was given Reese personnel in a TWX from ATRC received here Monday.

The measure which has been under consideration for some time, establishes a new personnel policy for release of airmen from service three months prior to normal separation date in order to enter college or accept seasonal employment.

Acceptance of applications for an early out under the new regulation will be permissible when an airman has not more than three months remaining in his current enlistment and can furnish evidence of his intentions to enter or return to school, the message said. Evidence will consist of acceptance by the school or receipt of payment of entrance fee. As an example, continued the wire, this will enable an airman who normally would be separated in October or November to get his release in time to enter the fall semester in September. He would gain a half a year's schooling.

The new policy, which was approved May 20 and became effective one week ago, also favors airmen who plan to return to civilian occupations such as construction, farming, teaching, commercial fishing or others in seasonal categories.

Each airman who is released early for this purpose must furnish proof that he has been accepted for a special type of employment.

The new policy changes ARF 39-14. Under the old reg there was no provision for early separation of airmen for general education or employment.

## Bond Drive Lags in Early Stages, But Chairman Sees Successful End

Bond sales at Reese were far below the 100 percent goal but were climbing steadily as the annual U. S. Savings Bond campaign progressed, Maj. Homer L. Parsons, campaign chairman, said this week. The thermometer at the main gate showed 28 percent of personnel, military and civilian, had joined the payroll allotment plan and were buying bonds monthly.

"I'm pleased with some areas and disappointed in others, Major Parsons said. "We hope for everybody on the base to buy bonds monthly. We will hold to that hope and work toward it. I think Reese so far has done fairly good in bond purchases, but it can and will do better."

## Non-Com Students In Flying Training To Get Pay Jump

Single airmen in the top three grades who apply and are selected for Air Force flying training will soon be permitted to attend flying school in their pay grades, USAF has announced.

The new policy will give a substantial pay increase for NCOs attending the 14-month training courses.

T-Sgt. Joel Pritchard, base recruiting NCOIC said that official disclosure of the new measure has failed to get down to this level, although he had heard rumors that such a plan might be put into effect.

Non-commissioned officers meeting all qualifications will be known as "aviation students." If they successfully complete the pilot or observer course they will be commissioned second lieutenants.

Single airmen who are below the rank of NCO will take flight training as aviation cadets and draw monthly aviation cadet pay of \$109.20 plus \$47.88 subsistence. NCOs attending the school will draw their base pay plus flight pay it was revealed.

# THE ROUNDUP

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## AFROTC Summer Training For Collegiates Set June 20

Final details of the program for summer encampment of AFROTC cadets at Reese were worked out this week at the base as officers and airmen assigned to duties arrived.

"Indications are that we will have an outstanding encampment because of the fine layout and cooperation at Reese," Lt. Col. Joseph P. Marsiglia, training officer, said. "I have helped with many AFROTC camps and have never seen better facilities or cooperation."

"Reese has a superior layout for the purpose of training AFROTC cadets, particularly in barracks to which the camp cadets will be assigned is so near the barracks of flying cadets, as well as being near the drill field and athletic area. There is compactness at Reese which should make our work easier."

Colonel Marsiglia also pointed out

that the Reese cadet club will assist in the training program in that it will permit AFROTC cadets to mingle with the flying cadets "and really find out what the Air Force is doing in training its fliers."

A primary objective of the summer encampment is to motivate the college AFROTC trainees toward the flying program.

The trainees are scheduled to arrive at Reese on Sunday, June 20, and will spend the day getting set-

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## Cadet, Flight Commander Meet Here After 15 Years

When Col. James C. Watkins reported to Reese last Wednesday to eventually assume command of the 3500th Maintenance and Supply group, he found himself under the command of the same officer who supervised his first flight training, Col. C. P. West. Colonel Watkins will assume command of the M&S group on the retirement of the present commander, Col. Richard P. Phillips, expected to take place August 31.

In 1939 Colonel, then Cadet Watkins took his pilot training at Randolph field in San Antonio. His immediate superior was his Flight commander, 1st Lt. now Colonel West, presently commander of RA-FB

### Flys B-24

Colonel Watkins has done a good bit of flying since his cadet days. After receiving his pilot's wings at Randolph he remained there three years as a flight instructor. As the war progressed, the Colonel went into B-24 training and in 1944-45 he flew bombing missions from Spinazzola, Italy, in the four-engined aircraft.

At the end of WWII Colonel Watkins left service and for the next two years was employed as a pilot by Pan-American Airways. In comparing commercial flying with Air Force duty, the Colonel finds that the military put in less hours per month, but that civilian planes were easier to fly.

While with Pan-American Colonel Watkins flew the New York-Paris and Miami-Rio de Janeiro flights. Pan-Am then used DC-4s, and pilots averaged three Miami-Rio trips each month.

In a year on the New York-Paris run, Colonel Watkins estimates he made 124 trans-Atlantic crossings.

### Re-enters Service

In 1947 the Colonel rejoined the Air Corps as a Regular officer. All of his duty since then has been in the field of maintenance and supply. From 1947 to 1950 he was in Strategic Air command, and in 1950 he transferred to the Northeast command at Goose Bay, Labrador.

Colonel Watkins feels that some of his most interesting flying was done in this area. Missions were flown from Goose Bay in air rescue work, in support of SAC, and supplying weather stations in Northern Greenland near the Arctic circle. Also in Labrador while Colonel Watkins was there was Capt. Thomas P. Carroll, now aircraft maintenance officer at Reese.

Flying in those latitudes has its own special hazards, Colonel Wat-

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## June Stripe Hike Scheduled for 104

Promotion quotas for Reese took a slight dip this month with 104 airmen scheduled to receive an additional stripe as compared to April's total of 110.

The breakdown by grades is, M-Sgt., 1; T-Sgt., 4; S-Sgt., 18; A-1C, 38; and A-2C, 43. Promotions to A-3C are not included since they are handled at immediate administrative level.

## Baseball Writer From Education Awarded Honor

A-1C James A. Sunderland, educational specialist in the base Education office and a "Roundup" columnist for the last year, has been named Airman of the Month for May.

Airman Sunderland has been in the Air Force 35 months now, and 33 of them have been spent in the Reese Education office. He enlisted in July, 1952, and was assigned to Reese upon completion of basic training at Lackland AFB. An old timer here, Sunderland is well known to Reese personnel who take advantage of the services offered by the Education Office, and is known to many others for the often extreme opinions he sets forth in his weekly "Over the Fence" column.

### Brooklyn Dodger Fan

As nearly everybody knows, Sunderland is one of the most violent Brooklyn Dodger fans west of Flatbush Ave. He first became emotionally involved with the Dodgers in 1937, when Brooklyn was mired in the second division of the National league. He explains that he is no "fair weather fan," who only roots for a winner. Now that Brooklyn is established as the power of the National league, he is sometimes accused of being that.

The most excitement he ever felt, he remembers, was when Brooklyn won the pennant in 1941, only their second in league history.

Although baseball is his favorite sport, Sunderland takes an active interest in all spectator games. Last fall he furnished "The Roundup" with weekly predictions of major football games and finished the season with an average that compared with some of the nationally syndicated prognosticators. He also serves as reporter for Headquarters squadron Air Base group intramural activities.

### See Rose Bowl

Each summer the Dodger fan spends his annual leave in Chicago when Brooklyn plays the Cubs in that city. He hasn't managed to get to a World Series yet, but he did see the Rose Bowl game of 1941, in which Stanford defeated Nebraska, 21-13. Sunderland whose home is in Omaha, was an ardent U of N supporter in his early years.

The Airman-of-the-Month attended grade school in Omaha, and graduated from high school in Lawrenceville, N. J. where he worked on the year book and wrote sports stories for the school newspapers.

At Carleton college in Northfield, Minn., he continued to write sports for the campus paper. He graduated from Carleton in 1951 with a B. A. degree, majoring in sociology and minoring in government.

Airman Sunderland is undecided about his future. If he does decide to leave service in July 1955, he thinks he may go back to college and study business administration.



COLONEL WATKINS ... Was Cadet Under Col. West

## Student's Wives Receive Briefing

Wives of student officers in class 55-B received a "welcome" briefing last Friday afternoon from Capt. William J. Newton, aircraft accident investigating officer.

Captain Newton greeted the ladies in a short lecture at the officers club, and briefly explained the training their husbands would receive here at Reese in the basic multi-engine training program.

Afterwards, the group made a tour of the base which included a trip through the altitude chamber at the physiological training center; a tour of base recreation facilities, golf course, theatre, swimming pool, base exchange, commissary, etc.; a demonstration of the synthetic trainers, in which some of the ladies were given "rides" under simulated instrument conditions; and a visit to the pilot training academic section, where classes in navigation, electronics and instrument rules are normally in progress.

After touring the base the group returned to the Officers club, where Captain Newton answered questions.

Class 55-B, which arrived at Reese May 27, contains 79 student officers.



A-1C SUNDERLAND ... 33 Months at Reese



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### RELATIONS PRAISED

The following is an open letter which was printed in an issue of the Lubbock AVALANCE-Journal and written by Charles A. Guy, editor.

Lt. Gen. Robert W. Harper, USAF, Commanding, Air Training Command, Scott Air Force Base, Ill. Dear Bob:

I note with interest an item in the current edition of the Air Training Command "Newsletter" concerning a recent visit to Perrin Air Force Base by Maj. Gen. Charles F. Born, Crew-TAF Commander, headquarters at Randolph. I am sure the relations between Perrin AFB and the neighboring cities of Sherman and Denison are as fine as General Born reported. As you know, I always have been very much for good relations between military and civilian neighbors.

Since General Born's job with Crew TAF is identical with that of Maj. Gen. Gabriel P. Disosway in Fly-TAF, I think it would be interesting if Gabe were to check Reese-Lubbock relations when next he visits RAFB. Many

of us in Lubbock will wager you a lunch, a cigar, or a chocolate bar that Gabe will find Reese-Lubbock relations just as good as any civilian-military relations anywhere. As a matter of record, I well remember the late, great Gen. H. H. Arnold's telling me that wartime relations between civilian and military populations in Lubbock were most outstanding in the Air Force. Naturally, the citizenship here—including the undersigned—is still zealous in efforts to continue "Hap" Arnold's generous characterization.

Your many friends and admirers in Lubbock—civilian as well as military—hope you'll have time to drop in and say "hello" and "goodbye" before your retirement on June 30.

Meanwhile, how about asking Gabe Disosway to check up? "It's cards and spades he'll find Col. C. P. West's command, from Headquarters to the smallest wardroom, in fine respect and popularity "in town" and, we hope, "vicey-vercy!"

Kindest personal regards,  
 THE EDITOR.

### WELCOME, NEW MEMBERS

A LETTER TO NEW CREDIT UNION MEMBERS  
 By S. J. Day  
 Credit Union Treasurer

We are delighted to welcome you as a new member of our credit union. The more of us who join together in owning and controlling our own finances, the greater the benefit to all.

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We invite your regular share deposits, your loan business, your suggestions to improve our service and your participation in our meetings.

### AFROTC Training

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tled and in meeting flying cadets and camp tactical officers. Colonel Marsiglia said. Flying cadets will assist the AFROTC trainees to get settled in their rooms and to meet personnel they desire to learn what is expected of them.

#### Cadets offer Help

"One thing which impresses me highly is the interest shown by the flying cadets in our program," the colonel said. "The fact that young men so rushed with their own activities should be willing to take time out to motivate others is unusual."

The six weeks camp program will enable the AFROTC cadets to learn just how an Air Force base is operated as the trainees will participate in activities in every area

on the base, Colonel Marsiglia said. Most of the class room teachings in the college training program will be illustrated in the Reese areas.

All cadets will be taken for rides in Reese training planes and about 60 of the 150 assigned are to go to Webb AFB on July 10 for rides in T-33 jet aircraft.

#### Six Colleges Represented

Cadets have been assigned to Reese from the University of Missouri, University of Kentucky, Southern Illinois university, St. Louis university, Indiana university, and Washington university, St. Louis.

The summer encampment will be commanded by Lt. Col. Richard P. Haney, Reese AFB with Colonel Marsiglia, New York University as training officer. Also arriving this week are the rest of the staff, including Maj. Osco F. Freeman, Hobart college, adjutant; Maj. Ray S. Everhart, Coe college, Capt. John H. Baumgartner and Francis J.

## Bond Drive Lags

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#### Sees Final Success

Major Parsons said that the Bond campaign chairman in each squadron would continue efforts to secure increased bond purchases through the payroll allotment plan and he believed base personnel would cooperate until the percentage shot upward sharply before the campaign ends June 21.

"I've never known Reese to fail in any campaign," the major said. "Personnel have always rallied to help others, and now they have a chance to rally to help themselves. I have no doubt as to the outcome of this campaign; it will be that Reese has come through again."

## Your Chapel

Billy Sunday once said, "The Church is not a dormitory for sleepers, it is an institution of worker; it is not a rest camp, it is a front line trench." Unless one intends to be a good soldier or airman he should never enlist in military service.

Let pretense be gone in religion. Far too long have people taken their religion for granted. "Woe unto those who are at ease in Zion." If we are sincere at all we mustn't hide behind what is in reality a sham and a false and call it faith or religion.

How much do citizens of the United States appreciate and support the work of its churches. Judging by how much we spend on church work, we love

Richter, Texas Tech, and 1st Lt. Paul L. Glass, University of Nebraska, tactical officers; and Capt. Vernon J. Rourke, Reese Supply Officer.

M-Sgt Joe L. Sanders, Iowa State College has arrived as sergeant-major of the camp and will be assisted by T-Sgt Thomas G. Prestidge, Texas Tech, supply sergeant T-Sgt Harold E. Klein, New Mexico A&M, and T-Sgt. Charles E. Snell, University of New Mexico, administrative aides; and S-Sgt. Gerald E. Houchin, photographer.

## MEET HERE

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kins says, although what would appear to the layman to be the greatest danger, ice on wings, is not one of them. Ice forms on control surfaces only at temperatures around the freezing point, and where the temperature is 30 degrees below zero all the moisture in the air is already frozen.

The Colonel served two and a half years in Labrador before transferring to James Connally AFB at Waco., where he was commander of the Maintenance and Supply group. He was at JCAFB about two years before coming to Reese.

Colonel and Mrs. Watkins and their family, Virginia Ann, 9 and Lane B., 4 presently live at 101 Yount Dr. in Reese Village.

## NCO Wives Arrange Coffee Hour June 18

The Non-commissioned Officers wives club at Reese has scheduled a "get acquainted" coffee June 18 at 0930 in the Bamboo Lounge of the NCO club. All wives whose husbands are members of the NCO Club are invited to attend the hour long affair.

## KADET KORRAL

# Cadet Classes Hold Joint Dance

By A-C Loyd J. Warnick

Topping the social calendar at the Cadet Club this weekend was a Tea dance held jointly for classes 54-R and 55-B. The two classes were combined for the affair this month due to the extremely low membership in both classes.

The occasion served a dual purpose, giving the Cadets an opportunity to meet their military training instructors on a social basis and also a chance to get acquainted with a few of the local belles at the dance which followed the introductions. Music for the occasion was well presented by the Kay Carter Combo.

Everyone enjoyed the social atmosphere augmented substantially by punch and sandwiches served by the Cadet Mess.

Guests of honor for the occasion were Major and Mrs. Tobias Schindler, and officers of the military training section and their wives. Major Schindler is the commanding officer of the 3500th Student Squadron.

the church one-half as much as we do cosmetics, one-fifth as much as we do movies and commercial recreation, one-tenth as much as we do furs and jewelry, and one-tenth as much as we love alcoholic beverages.

Jesus said, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength and with all your mind." It is futile to try to justify anything else but our best.

ROBERT E. QUIGG  
 Chaplain (1st Lt) USAF  
 Deputy Wing Chaplain

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Ladies Christian Fellowship Salad Luncheon 1300 Tuesday at Service Club

Choir Rehearsal 1930 Thursday at chapel Annex.

Open House for Daily Vacation Bible School 1930 at Youth Center.

A major change in the military training office occurred this week when Capt. Charles M. Floyd, former assistant director of military training, assumed duties as director of military training replacing Maj Billy S. Hockaday.

The members of Class 54-R were shocked Thursday morning upon being informed of the death of their classmate and friend A-C Jerome D. Powell. Cadet Powell was killed while flying a T-28 on a night solo training mission out of the Abernathy auxiliary field.

A Memorial service was held in the base chapel Monday evening, June 7, at 2000 hours. Services were presented by Chaplain Quigg. A tribute to A-C Powell as a friend was made by A-C Danny Nelson, A-C Group Chaplain. The deceased was buried Sunday afternoon June 6, 1954, at his home in Ponchatoula, Louisiana.

It is with deep regret that we suffer the reality of the loss of an outstanding classmate and a dear friend. This was but the second fatal accident that has occurred at Reese Air Force base since its reopening and during the accumulation of nearly 420,000 hours of flying time. An outstanding record.

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SHOWING THEM HOW — Capt. William J. Newton, aircraft accident investigator, demonstrates typical flying formations which their husbands will learn to a group of student officers' wives during an orientation lecture last Friday afternoon at the Officers club. Above, from left, Mmes. Robert L. Grimes, Thomas L. Hedge, James C. Tepe, Stuart J. Williams, Richard G. Panuska and Glen P. York watch Captain Newton's gyrations.

### Scout Master-Plan To Save Thousands

A master-plan for supply organizations of all the services is now going into effect. Utilizing the Federal Cataloging program, the new procedure will standardize supply procurement practices throughout the armed forces and save many thousands of dollars in administrative work.

The plan calls for the reclassification of all supply items used by the military. This will permit uniform stock handling by establishing uniform stock code numbers. At the present time, identical parts have unrelated code numbers in the various services.

The single supply system by an act of the 82nd Congress which called for a new agency within the Defense Department. This agency was charged with the development of a single catalog system and a related supply standardization program. Later this agency was re-

assigned to the Assistant Secretary of Defense.

A soldier contestant on "Strike It Rich" told the M. C. that he had once put 50 men out of action. "Did you get a medal for it?" asked the M. C. "Nope," said the soldier. "I was a mess sergeant."

Bob Hope claims he stopped at a hotel where the help was completely tip crazy. He phoned the desk for a deck of cards and the bellboy came up 52 times.

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Letters must not be over 500 words long. They'll be judged by an awards jury assisted by a panel of Congressional Medal of Honor winners. The judges will take into account soundness of ideas and clear thinking — rather than literary form.

Entries will be accepted immediately. Closing date this year is midnight, Nov. 11, 1954. Letters received after that date will be entered in the 1955 contest.

Winners of this year's contest will be announced by the Freedom Foundations, Feb. 22, 1955, at Valley Forge.

All Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps and Coast Guard men and women on active duty stationed anywhere in the world are eligible to enter the contest.

Reservists and National Guardsmen are eligible to submit letters only while on active duty. Personnel discharged after they have submitted letters will still be eligible for the prizes.

Letters must be sent to Awards Editor, Armed Forces Radio Service, 1016 N. McCadden Place, Los Angeles 38, Calif. They must be received no later than midnight, Nov. 11, 1954 to be considered in the 1954 contest. Letters must bear the signature, rank, service number and organization of the entrant.

### Construction Slated For Surgery Rooms

A general enlarging and improvement of surgical facilities at the Reese hospital is due to begin shortly, Hal Spencer, Chief engineer, reveals.

Improvements will include the addition of a new surgery room, installation of a complete air conditioning system, enlarging the work room, and addition of a cast room. Also to be installed is an oxychloride floor.

This floor, which is similar in appearance to terrazzo, is a conductor of electricity, and will cut down the amount of static in the rooms. It also reduces the danger of ether explosions and is impervious to water and other liquids.

The improvements will give Reese operating facilities that are modern in every way, Spencer said.

tells the tourist where and what to buy to best advantage in the free countries of Europe. It also offers money-saving advice on the purchase of foreign currencies, steamship and plane passage, and railway tickets. It tells how to save money on hotel bills, postage, telegrams, and that stumbling block for Americans, tipping in foreign countries.

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## Reese Story Writer Wins First at Waco

For the second consecutive year a Reese airman has won the annual AF short story contest at FlyTAF level. The winner this year is A-2C Andrew Griffin Air Police Squadron.

For capturing first place among 72 entries from 24 bases, Airman Griffin was awarded \$30. In base-level judging his story won second, which was worth \$10. He has received orders for immediate overseas transfer to Alaska.

The three top winners at Waco will now participate in the Air Training Command competition to select entries to the world wide AF contest in Washington, D. C. Second place was won by WO James M. Callan, Mather AFB, Calif., and third by A-1C Larry D. Clark, Laredo AFB, Tex.

Last year the FlyTAF contest was taken by A-1C Albert Smith of the Food Service squadron here.

## Luke AFB Jet Demonstration Team To Perform for AFROTC Cadets

The world famous Thunderbird jet demonstration team which thrilled over two million people last year with its spectacular demonstration of flying will perform at Reese June 25, Lt. Col. Richard P. Haney, commander of the Reese AFROTC summer encampment, has announced.

The four F-84s will be put through the same maneuvers seen by citizens all over the United States and in many foreign countries in a show tentatively set for 9 a.m. it was revealed.

The primary purpose of the visit is to show the 150 cadets assigned to the summer encampment what the jet can do. But the public is invited and several thousand persons are expected to be on hand.

The Thunderbirds are the best known aerial acrobats of Air Training Command and are called the aircraft, Colonel Haney said. With the smallest, but best known unit of the command. They are stationed at Luke AFB, Ariz., but in 1953 traveled 45,000 miles—nearly twice the distance around the world—to

present their hair-raising maneuvers.

### Tour South America

Early this year they covered 19,000 miles in a barnstorming tour of South America where some three million Latins in 11 countries, many of whom had never seen a jet aircraft before, watched their show. At times many of the audiences covered their eyes as the four F-84Gs, flying in tight diamond formation, zoomed to and fro, often within 50 feet of the ground.

The purpose of the Thunderbirds' fast-paced show is to demonstrate the tactical maneuvers used daily by Air Force pilots and the versatility of the front line fighter jet aircraft, Colonel Haney said. With wing tip tanks overlapping, and the airplanes just five feet apart, they perform their precision acrobatic maneuvers at speeds of better than 500 miles per hour.

### Show Starts With Bang

The Thunderbird show has a shotgun opening. The four F-84s zoom into the demonstration area flying 500 miles an hour at minimum altitude in a tight string formation—one behind the other. Usually they are on top of the audience before the deep roar of the jets can be heard. Pulling up into a loop they change into a diamond shape formation while upside down, and then progress through a series of slow rolls, barrel rolls, loops, clover leaf turns, and finally their own version of a "bomb burst."

In the latter maneuver the four planes climb straight up in a "box" to 5,000 feet, and then split toward the four cardinal points of the compass like shrapnel fragments from an exploded shell. Each plane does a roll while the audience crane necks trying to keep track of all four ships. Suddenly, just 30 seconds after they part ways a mile above the earth, the four jets come screaming out of the sun and meet almost head-on, criss-crossing simultaneously from four directions at 540 miles per hour directly over the runway. Their vertical separation on the "meeting" is only about 50 feet apart.

### Fly In Unison

Maj. Richard S. (Smoky) Catledge is the leader and signal-caller for the Thunderbird team, which looks like one craft through most of the maneuvers. He's a veteran pilot, 32-years old, who had 3000 flying hours, 1700 of

## Drum, Bugle Corps Swings Into Action At Retreat Parades

Reese once again has its own musical group. Under the direction of M-Sgt Presley B. Wood, top NCO in the now-defunct 514th AF band, 23 base airmen have volunteered for extra duty in a new drum and bugle corps.

The group was formed to provide a much-needed musical organization to play at evening retreat and special ceremonies. The need arose when the colorful 514th band was inactivated several months ago, and its members scattered to other bases.

The corps is unique, thanks to A-2C Neil MacLean, 02nd Maintenance squadron, who possibly is the only bagpipe player utilizing his talents in an Air Force Unit this side of the United Kingdom.

Other members of the corps include drummers S-Sgt Lamar W. Scruggs, A-3C David W. Miller, A-1C William L. Ewan, A-2C Charl Horner, A-1C J. L. Gonzales, A-2C Dario J. Corsi, A-2C Joel Katz, A-1C Angelo Clementi and A-2C Paul H. Dracup. Cymbals are handled by A-2C Joseph J. Karbelk.

Buglers are T-Sgt B. Laudenberg, A-1C Henry E. Russell, A-2C R. D. Shipman, A-2C Charles N. Smith, A-3C Bert H. Needham, A-3C Herschel H. Plosnock, A-3C Fred J. Naglehouf, A-3C R. DelMastro, A-3C Timothy F. Lenning, A-3C Charles Newby, and A-2C D. W. Strehle. Drum Major is A-2C Jack W. Mort.

them in jets, before taking over as team leader.

Alternating in the two wing positions are three Korean veterans—Capt. John R. (Bert) Spalding, 1st Lt. A. D. Brown, and 1st Lt. Bill Creech. The extra man flies the "safety" spot and performs a solo stunt as a "warm-up" to the regular show, but otherwise does not participate. Filling out the formation in "the slot" is Capt. Robert McCormick, who flies rear position, in the wake-of the leader.

### Highly Experienced Pilots

Between them the Thunderbird pilots have over 400 Korean missions to their credit, four DFCS, six children, and untold thousands of hours in airplanes of both propeller and jet types.

Captain Spalding and Lieutenant Creech joined the team this year, replacing twins, Captains Buck and Bill Patillo, who returned to instructor duty at Luke AFB. Creech was involved in the first air-jet battle of the Korean war; Spalding downed one MIG, probably destroyed another, and damaged three more.

Capt. McCormick in the tail position is rated as filling the trickiest spot. He must judge his position by the leader's tail-pipe. His main interest is keeping that tail-pipe in sight, and in keeping the body of his plane out of the leader's jet blast. The vertical stabilizer on McCormick's plane is permanently blackened by the deposits of consumed fuel from Smoky Leader's plane, which shoots out at 2,000 feet per second (Continued on page 8)

## Officers Wives Club

By Mrs. Bob G. Miller

Plastic forks, spoons and straws and colorful napkins inserted among shag lilies in wicker baskets were placed on the speakers table at a luncheon given for members of the Officers Wives club last Thursday afternoon at the Reese Officers club.

Carrying out the picnic theme, baskets were presented to Mmes. Robert Lutes, H. L. Wright, Norvin E. Rader, Richard M. Donald and R. G. Pratt.

Mrs. James F. Cadenhead was senior hostess; other hostesses included Mmes. Jerome Parsons, Mario L. Ventura and Robert E. Quigg. Mrs. Murrury W. Crowder presided at the luncheon.

Lt. Col. and Mrs. William O. Miller and Lt. Col. and Mrs. Quinn L. Oldaker gave a fish fry Saturday night. There were 50 guests in attendance.

Capt. Walter J. Shepherd gave a surprise party recently, complimenting his wife. Present at the party were 60 guests.

### Here and There

Col. and Mrs. C. P. West and their daughter left Tuesday for an extended vacation in Las Vegas, Nev., and California.

Capt. and Mrs. John Belock family are spending a vacation in Boston.

Lt. Col. and Mrs. Charles E. Wilson and family left last week for Tennessee to spend their vacation.

Mrs. Richard L. Meehan has returned from Brooks General Hospital at San Antonio.

Capt. and Mrs. Clarence W. Tripp and family are leaving Monday to spend a vacation in Montreal, Canada, which is Mrs. Tripp's home.

Maj. Buford W. Barker and family and Capt. E. E. Ours and family spent Memorial weekend together in Ruidoso.

## City Fair Grounds Get 'Face Lifting' For Sept. Opening

Lubbock, June 9 (Special) — The Panhandle South Plains Fair will have an ultra-modern appearance this fall with the opening of three new buildings, including a 5500-seat show and exhibit building.

Construction work is progressing rapidly on the show building, a new women's building and a large agricultural building. Contracts for the three cement structures total \$326,722. Fair officials are confident that the buildings will be ready for use at this year's fair which will run from Sept. 27 through Oct. 2.

For the gala opening of the show building, officials expect to present a Western "name" show during the fair week. This will be the first such indoor attraction ever presented at the fair, Charles L. Adams, Jr., fair president, said.

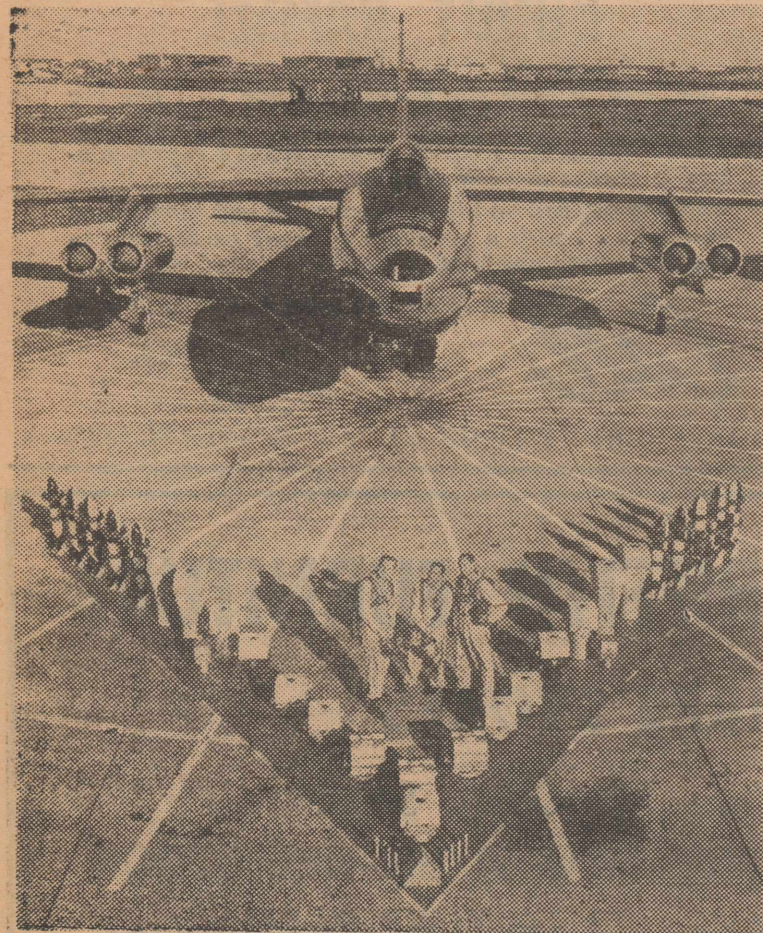
In addition to the new construction, the midway will be rearranged to allow additional concession and outdoor commercial exhibit space.

Within the huge show building will be housed an arena 75 by 147 feet, dressing rooms, ticket offices, concession stands and 4000 square feet of commercial exhibit space. The overall size of the structure will be 177 by 194 feet.

The building will be used for outstanding fair attractions and will also be available for stock shows, rodeos, ice shows and other off-season entertainment.

The agriculture and women's buildings which will cost \$58,048, will replace old wooden buildings used by departments for many years. Both of the new structures will provide much more space than was previously available. The agriculture building will be 70 by 160 feet and the women's building will be 60 by 160 feet.

"Are your mother and father home?"  
"They was in but they is out."  
"Good Lord, where's your grammar?"  
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THE EYES OF SAC are its photo reconnaissance units, and the RB-47E is well equipped to serve as such. Similar in performance and dimensions to the standard six-jet B-47 medium bomber, the RB-47E's equipment includes 16 cameras, any seven of which can be carried at one time. With their airplane serving as a backdrop, pilot, co-pilot and photographer-navigator of an RB-47E are shown here with their available photo equipment. The cylindrical objects in the foreground are cartridge flares, while those at the extremities of the "V" are flash bombs. The remainder consists of the 16 cameras and two photocell-operated shutter trip units. A Boeing Photo.



# Over the Fence

By A-1C JIM SUNDERLAND

Anyone who has ever listened to St. Louis' play-by-play announcer, Harry Caray, should have heard his description of Roy Campanella's steal of home Monday night.

Caray, a die-hard Cardinal fan, almost had a stroke, and we imagine the roly-polly catcher will never forget his accomplishment.

Brooklyn's ten game winning streak began the day Campy returned to the line-up, leaving no doubt that he is the spark the club needed.

**Look out for Ralph Kiner in the homerun derby. Musial presently has hit twice as many, but Kiner is always a slow starter. Eddie Mathews is gradually finding the range, too.**

The Pacific league's perennial doormat, San Francisco has caught fire and is challenging Hollywood for the league leadership, only five and one-half games out. Almost 20,000 fans cheered them on to a Memorial Day sweep of a double header.

The way things are shaping up in the National league, the arch-rival Giants and Dodgers may battle neck and neck down to the wire, Maglie's comeback and Willie Mays return have combined to give the Giants an even better team than in 1951.

Everybody's talking about Musial and his batting feats and we wonder if they've noticed old man Robinson from Brooklyn right on the "Man's" heels. At last report it stood: Musial, 389; Robinson, 382. . . Jablonski is "up there" too, but it's strictly a bubble that will soon burst.

**Andy Carey has won the Yankee third base job and the Slumping Eddie Robinson is heading Casey Stengel's doghouse brigade. Frank Lane has tried for two years to pry Carey from the Yanks and we've beginning to see why he couldn't.**

## SPORTING NEWS Odds, Ends

Gene Baker, Cub rookie second sacker, has a fractured wrist bone and will be out for two more weeks; the deadline for deals in the majors is June 15; Casey Stengel was very insulted by Johnny Soto's whitewashing of his great Yankees; peewee Reese has stolen 200 bases as a Dodger; Toronto and Rochester are tied for the International league lead.

We heard a rumor that a Lubbock radio station will begin carrying the Game of the Day starting June 14. We hope it is true, but haven't had a chance to verify the information. The White Sox-New York game will be aired Sunday from Yankee stadium.

# Most Sports Capably Represented By Members of New Flying Class

Members of Class 55-B, newly arrived at Reese Air Force base, feel they would have a representative on a base team in most any sport. Class ranks include college lettermen in football, basketball, track, wrestling and swimming. On top of that, they include a college cheerleader and former president of a university student body.

Second Lt. Stanley J. Britton was captain of the 1949 freshman football team at Harvard, playing right end, and the next two years he lettered at defensive end for the Crimson.

Second Lt. Richard H. Dewing played four years at the University of New Hampshire and was a member of the undefeated 1950 team. In 1952, his final year, he was an all-New England fullback. The lieutenant also lettered in basketball.

Second Lt. Thomas L. Hedge did a stint at every position on the Virginia Military Institute football team during his three years on the varsity, and is his senior year won honorable mention in the conference backfield. He also lettered three years on the VMI baseball team as a catcher-outfielder. Lieutenant Hedge also was on the institute wrestling team for a time, but broke a leg his first year and gave up that sport.

First Lt. James W. Umstead won letters in 1950 and 1951 at Ohio University as an end in the Mid-American conference and also had letters in track as a discus tosser in 1949-50-51, his greatest distance being 148 feet 6 inches.

In baseball, Class 55-B might contribute a pitcher, 2nd Lt. Frederick H. Parkins, a three-year letterman at Akron university, who had a 2.3 earned run average, mainly as a reliever. His senior year, he also served as a coach.

Second Lt. Ralph J. Knoll, Jr.,

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played two years of basketball at Gettysburg college and was a member of the Bartow Air Base team prior to coming to Reese.

Second Lt. Frederick H. McLean is a former Ohio State university wrestling team captain with three university letters. He was the 19-52 captain while wrestling as a midleweight, 167 pounder. His team won over half its matches in Big Ten competition and the lieutenant was second top man in the conference in 1950 and 1951. He also came out second in the 1951 NCAA tournament.

Second Lt. Albert T. Lenz captained the 1942 University of Illinois swimming team and was a leading intramural water polo player. He was a member of the all-star water polo team which went to the national AAU championship. Between water competitions Lenz was a university cheerleader.

Second Lt. David H. Silvernall in the 1952-53 school year was vice president and then president of the Purdue university student body. He was executive officer and charter member of the Arnold Air society at Purdue and a member of the exclusive Chandelle squadron, composed of the upper ten per cent of the class.

## LAFFS

Ralph Bellamy tells of the taxi driver who scowled at the passenger who didn't tip him. "You forgot something," growled the cabbie.

"What?" asked the passenger. "Your bagpipes."

"A fellow in my home town," remarked Herb Shriner, "was born with a silver spoon in his mouth. He swallowed it and he hasn't stirred since."

# AACS Detachment Sustains Inspection By Group Officials

By S-Sgt. Lyle D. Murphy

Capt. James D. McGeehan, AACS detachment commander, is spending a leave with relatives and friends in Steubenville, Ohio. S-Sgt. Winston I. Lucas is detachment NCOIC during the absence of Captain McGeehan.

The detachment was visited during the past week by Maj. Frank A. Hutter, squadron commander; 1st Lt. William L. Pence, squadron adjutant; Capt. Raymond V. Seal, 1801st AACS group personnel officer; Capt. Richard A. Barker flight check pilot from Flight A at group; M-Sgt. Franklyn Christian, and M-Sgt. Edward W. Verniel, both from Biggs AFB.

Major Hutter and Sergeant Verniel, both from Biggs AFB, ship that checked the facilities operated by the detachment June 3 and 4, and awarded a satisfactory rating. Captain Seal inspected the training and personnel sections of the detachment June 4. Lieutenant Pence and Sergeant Christian were here June 1, coordinating the retirement of records procedure.

A-1C George A. Walz was released from active duty June 4 and has returned to his home in New York City.

A-1C Donald G. Welsko is presently TDY to Casper, Wyo., participating in exercises conducted by the Air National Guard.

# ABG Softball Team Poses Strong Entry In '54 Mural Race

Managed by S-Sgt. Ed Jones, the Hq. Sq. Air Base group softball team made a rather suspicious entry into league play by whipping the medics 7 to 2 and drawing a forfeit from the Motor Vehicle team.

Previously they defeated AACS 16 to 1 in a practice game and trounced the Hospital crew by a 15 to 1 score also a warm-up game.

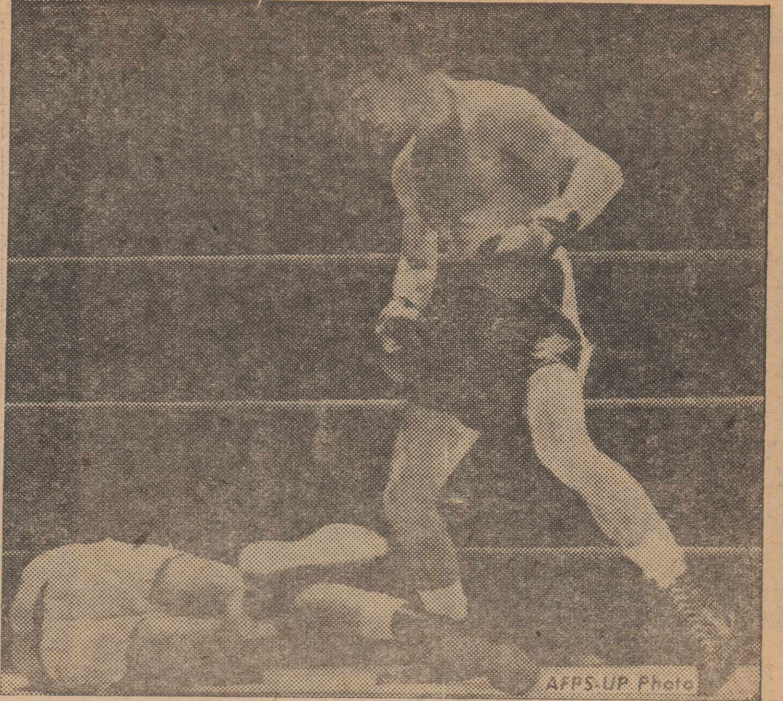
Chuck Newby has been pitching steadily and has received excellent fielding support as well as timely hitting. Jack Vaughn, center fielder, recently made a spectacular running catch of a line drive and threw a perfect strike to first for a double play.

Joe Bauwens is the first baseman, Bruce Beutel, second; Dan Moody, shortstop; and George Nassif rounds out the infield at third. Catching is handled by Ulas White, and in the outfield are Benny Kagawa, Vaughn and Jencie Lowery. Also seeing action are Joe Oliver, John Del Gado and Jim Laurie. Due to a fractured shoulder, Manager Jones will have to perform his chores from the sidelines this year.

# Legal Offers Help To Used Car Buyers

The base legal section is offering counsel to airmen who plan to purchase used cars, it was announced in staff meeting Tuesday. There have been several instances in the past where airmen failed to scrutinize their contracts and insurance policies and ended up paying bills they hadn't counted on.

By consulting with legal officials first, a man will know exactly where he stands in the deal, and might possibly save himself some grief later on.



AFPS-UP Photo

WELTERWEIGHT Chuck Davey, the free-swinging southpaw who holds a master's degree from Michigan State College, is knocked to the canvas by Vince Martinez in the third round of a scheduled 10-rounder. Martinez won the bout when Davey failed to answer the bell in the seventh. As a result of this defeat Davey, an Air Force veteran, has retired from the ring to try a career as a sportscaster.

# New Airman Classification Manual Lists Changes in 19 Career Fields

Washington (AFPS) — The next Airman Classification Manual not due out for three months will include a new alignment in three career fields and minor adjustments to 16 others, Air Force personnel officers reveal.

New numbers will be given to

four fields—firefighting (now 57), marine (now 59) finance (now 67) and statistical (now 68).

The major realignment by the AF is in the 40, 42, and 43 fields, all maintenance career groups. Since the changes are complicated, AF personnel officers urge airmen to hold back any questions until the manuals reach the field and local personnel officers will then have the answers for them.

Minor changes in the following field will also be made: weather (25), armament system maintenance (32), metal working (53) construction (55), fire-fighting (57) marine (59), food service (62) finance, accounting and auditing (67), statistical and machine accounting (68), band (76) air police (77), and special investigations (82).

Included also with very minor changes are: pilotless aircraft guidance and control systems (31) supply (64), procurement (65), printing (71) and aircrew protection (92).

When the manual comes out it will be dated Mar 1, 1954, but because of printing difficulties it may not be available until August or September.

# Wife Gets Air Evac To Lackland AFB

Mrs. Buford Newsome, who was seriously injured when struck by an automobile last Thursday evening at Carlisle was evacuated by air last Friday to Lackland AFB. The Lackland hospital facilities are more adequate than those here. Reese hospital authorities explained.

Mrs. Newsome, whose husband is an airman second class in the 3502nd Maintenance Squadron, suffered a cerebral concussion and severe lacerations of the scalp when she walked in front of a moving automobile on highway 290 approximately three miles from the base.

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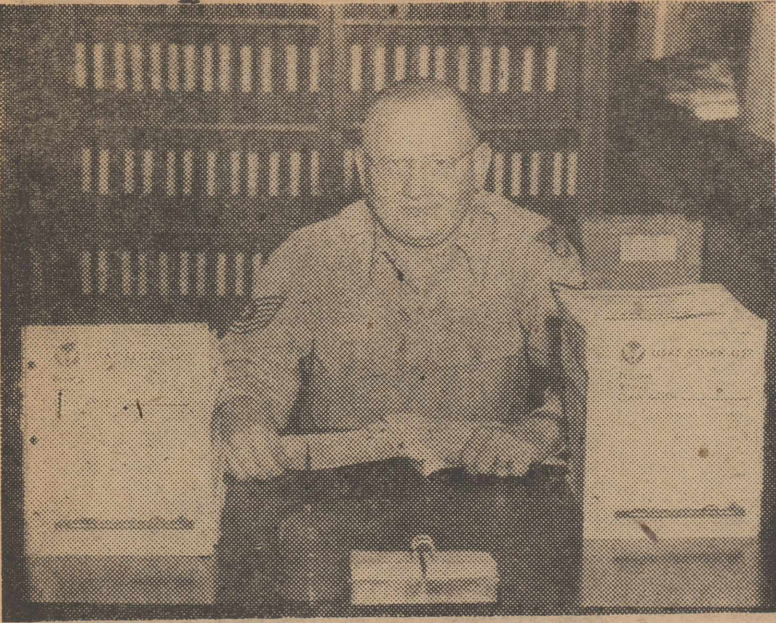


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REAMS OF WORK—T-Sgt. Elvin P. Overmann, Base Supply, looks up during a laborious session of changing stock numbers to conform with a new all-service supply catalog. All property and records must be re-tagged. The system, reportedly an advancement over previous ones, standardizes ordering codes among the services.

## Supply Starts Task Of Retagging Stock

Work of changing stock numbers and descriptions of items used at Reese to conform to the new Defense Supply Management procedures is well underway at this base, Al Belous, supply director, said this week.

Belous pointed out that the agency established in the Department of Defense by act of congress to set up a single catalog system and related standardization program so that the Air Force, Army, and Navy will utilize the same stock number and description for each item used by all three military organizations. Previously each of the three services used different stock numbers and descriptions, thus complicating redistribution and procurement, Belous said.

Initial conversion becomes effective June 30 on clothing and equipment subsistence, medical items, and fuels, lubricants and waxes, with other items following, it was announced. Reese already has started on its work to convert items to federal stock numbers.

"It is anticipated that a large number of manhours will be consumed in re-tagging present items," Belous said. "Re-tagging will be necessary in base supply and within all organizations with property in use on the conversion date. In addition, all property records in base and organizational supplies must be converted con-

### LAFFS

M. C.: "You say your mother recommended you for your job as theater manager?"  
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## Seminary Professor To Conduct Mission

Rev. Thomas V. Bermingham, S. J. Professor in the Jesuit seminary at Poughkeepsie, N. Y. will conduct the catholic preaching mission June 13-18 at the base chapel.

Time of the mission will be 2000 every night except Tuesday when the service will be at 1900.

Father Bermingham was educated at Fordham Preparatory school Woodstock college and took his Masters degree at Fordham university. He also spent some time in Europe on a classical research project.

Ordained in 1949, Father Bermingham has been professor of Latin and Greek in the Jesuit seminary since 1950. He is an advocate of the Oxonian tutorial system, which he will discuss at the Holy name society Communion breakfast on Sunday at the NCO club after the 0900 Mass.

## Ellington Reservists Visit Reese Saturday

Sixteen officers of the 8706th Reserve Pilot Training wing will visit Reese Saturday to study base functions.

The 3500th PTW is the support wing for the 8706th wing, which is based at Ellington AFB and draws its personnel from the Houston area.

The reserve officers are scheduled to fly in around 2200 Friday night. A meeting will be held at 0800 Saturday morning in the wing conference room in which the reservists will be introduced to their counterpart officers in the 3500th PTW. Saturday morning the Ellington officers will study the jobs of their Reese counterparts. At lunch a critique of the morning's activities will be held.

The reservists are scheduled to fly back to Houston at 1400 Saturday.



READY TO GO—Final adjustments are made to the G. E.-designed radar controlled tail turret of a Boeing B-47E Stratojet. The turret mounts twin 20-mm cannon controlled by an ultra-modern highly accurate radar computing system. The weapon is standard equipment of Boeing B-47s and RB-47Es. Photo by Boeing.

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### OFFICER PROMOTED

The promotion of 2nd Lt. Arthur S. Tucker to first lieutenant, effective June 3, has been announced this week. Lieutenant Tucker, a 1953 graduate of Texas A&M college, is assistant engineering officer, a post he has held since reporting to Reese July of last year.

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## FLIGHT 4

Flt. CO  
Capt. Morris  
2200

By Capt. Frank K. Emery

Flight Four took the B-25 "flight of the month" award with a grand total of 3400 points. The instructors and students alike are justly proud as this is the greatest amount of points scored by any flight so far. The flight set its sights on the prize and charted strategy early in May. Competition was keen with Flights Three and Eight pressing hard. During most of the month the three flights were within 100 points of each other.

With only a week to go the flight played its trump cards, getting 400 points worth of suggestions approved by the committee. This set the stage for victory as Flight Four closed the month 300 points ahead of its nearest opposition.

Capt. Reedis N. Morris acting flight commander, says "The boys are really working together. We will take it again in June!"

## FLIGHT 5

Flt. CO  
Capt. Kiss  
1750

## FLIGHT 6

Flt. CO  
Capt. May  
2200

By 2nd Lt. Jack W. Gentry

Flight Six has just started checking out solo students from Class B. If any of the instructors are noticed walking with a cane or complaining of sore necks, blame it on stall-and-spin recoveries, not on stag night.

Flight Six has won honor flight for the month of May and to the delight of Captain May. The grey-capped instructors of the honor flight are looking forward to the party promised by their flight CO. Congratulations are in order for 2nd Lt. Mike Tanzillo as he drove to Clovis a bachelor and returned a married man.

Lt. Bunce was assigned five students from 55-B and was amazed to find that A-C Krill had more pilot time than any instructor in the flight.

Cadet Krill has amassed the grand total of 3220 hours of pilot time. In 1925 hours of this time was flown in a T-6G as an instructor pilot on a primary base. The cadet has already started his instrument phase in the T-28, after checking out solo in two days.

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## FLIGHT 7

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Capt. Parsons  
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By Capt. E. J. Neilson

Capt. Art Curry and family returned from leave in St. Louis, Mo. He reports that entertainment there is very adequate and diversified.

Capt. Frank Brown, Flight Seven's assistant flight commander, and his family are now on leave. They are taking a tour of the southeastern United States.

Capt. Don Miskler is no longer a bachelor as his wife has returned from visiting her folks.

First Lt. Robert D. Lutes returned from a weekend at Biloxi, Miss. He reports that fishing is excellent and gives this information for interested persons:

The boat name is "Sundown" and is docked at 633 W. Beach St. only eight blocks from the base. The boat leaves at 0800 and docks at 1600. The fare is \$5 per person and 50 cents for rod and reel. Sandwiches and beer are for sale on board also. The fish now being caught are speckled trout, white trout, ground mullet and shark.

## FLIGHT 8

Flt. CO  
Capt. Donaldson  
2200

## FLIGHT 9

Flt. CO  
Capt. Bassett  
2000

## FLIGHT 10

Flt. CO  
Major Ludwig  
1950

by 1st Lt. Thomas M. Quinn

With less than three weeks remaining until graduation, the students of Class 54-L Flight 10 are rapidly rounding out their training.

The flight is composed of approximately equal numbers of cadets and officers. The combined service time is probably higher than any other flight with at least six of the student officers having over 10 years of service each.

Lt. Zalesny was a former infantry master sergeant on Okinawa. At the time he was one of the youngest army men to hold this rank. Lt. Miller was in the Marine Corps during WWII and Lt. Williams served in the Pacific with the Navy.

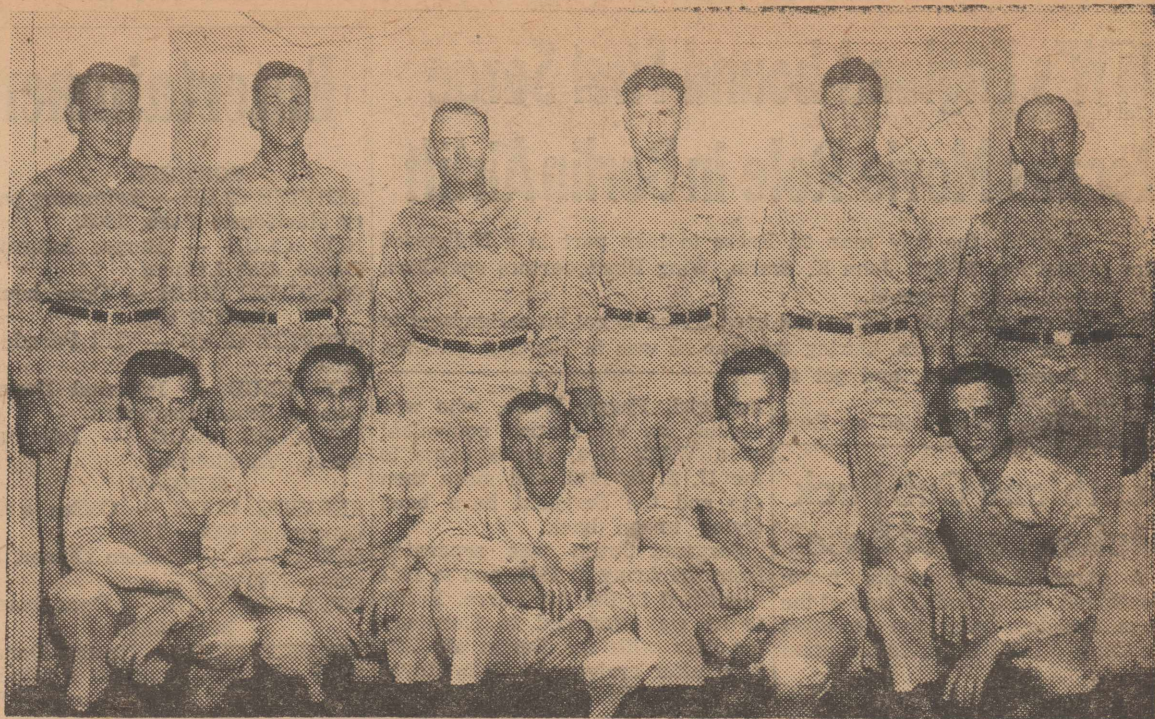
Former Air Force NCOs are Cadets Pickinpaugh, Schultz, Svoboda, and Tomasky. Cadets Svoboda also prepped for West Point.

Lt. Skiera and Cadet White are former AF gunners.

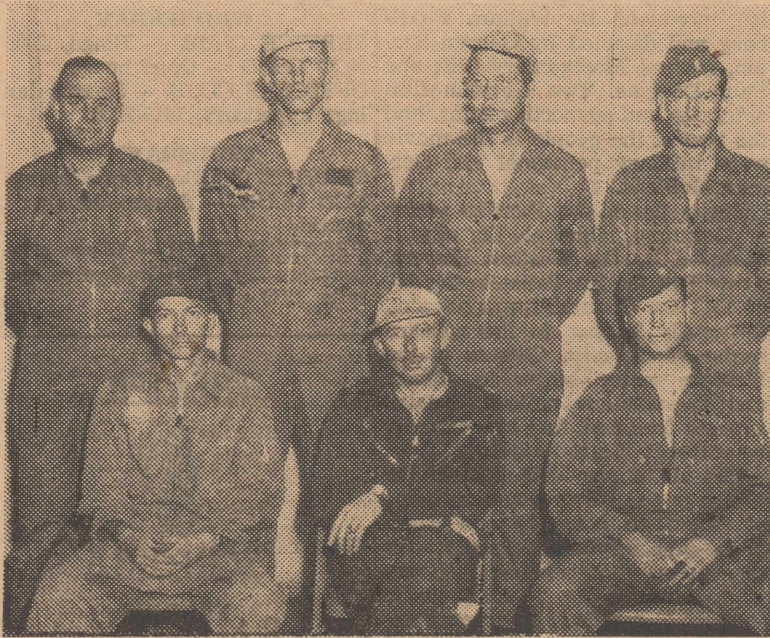
Most members of the class partook in athletics of some form in high school or college. Cadet Williams was a member of the University of Maryland football team. Lt. Stanton was an outstanding baseball player for the University of California, he later played for Bremerton, Wash., and Oakland Calif., Oaks under Casey Stengel.

Two children were born to class members while in training at Reese. Lts. Quinn and Pizeck were the proud fathers about two weeks apart.

In addition to the American students the flight has Lts. Izadyan, Dadsetan, Peymani, and Jahedkar of the Imperial Iranian Air Force.



TOPS IN T-28s—Flight Six copped the monthly race for high honors in their category in flying performance during May. Above, standing left to right, Lt. E. W. Golden, Lt. J. W. Gentry, Capt. J. P. May, Capt. J. R. Laney, J. W. Jones and Lt. L. W. Marx; kneeling from left, Lt. R. D. Bruce, Lt. M. Tanzillo, Capt. G. E. Essers, Lt. H. L. Allred and Lt. K. L. Cox.



BEST IN B-25s—Flight Four gained recognition by winning flight competition for May in the B-25 section. Above, standing from left, Capt. F. K. Emery, Capt. W. W. Christman, Lt. R. U. Weiland, and Lt. J. C. Boulier; seated from left are Lt. J. R. Herda, Capt. D. R. Fuller and Capt. R. N. Morris. Not present for the picture were Capt. T. R. Davis, Lt. F. J. Miller, Lt. J. J. Rance, and Lt. J. R. Faust.

## Share-Experience Plan in Full Swing In Student Off. Sq.

By 2nd Lt. Thomas H. Mohr  
The Student Officer program of sharing the experience of its members was in full swing this week. The morning section first received a lecture on the Air Defense Command by 1st Lt. Arthur J. Thomas, Jr., Capt. Eugene N. Paulnock discussed the type of duties likely to be encountered by a junior flying officer in the Strategic Air Command.

In the afternoon section Class 55-B was first welcomed and the Student Squadron staff officers were introduced to them. Capt. Francis P. Bouchard briefed the section on general responsibilities of all officers. Capt. Joseph P. Cox followed with a lecture covering the duties, organization, stations, and various air crew duties of SAC.

The Student officer squadron will be taking a part in the coming AFOTC summer encampment at Reese. Many student officers are now preparing lectures on a varied field of subjects for presentation to the college cadets.

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ever the first class will enroll in 1955, in temporary facilities near the permanent site.

Reese enlisted men will be eligible to take qualifying examinations for the Air Force academy, although the requirements to be met are not yet known.

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## Air Academy Site Selection Nears

Secretary of the Air Force Harold Talbott is expected to decide on the site for the new Air Force Academy within a month, according to the Lubbock Morning Avalanche.

The special commission which has been inspecting proposed locations has narrowed the choices to three — Alton, Ill., Colorado Springs, Colo., and Lake Geneva, Wis. Secretary Talbott will personally inspect these sites before announcing his decision.

The commission did not unanimously agree on one site, as under the law setting up the commission, the Air Force would have accepted a unanimous recommendation. Some AF officials have disclosed that Colorado Springs is the most likely spot.

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# PTW's England-bound First Sarge Recalls Movie Role in Berlin Airlift

Possibly the only man on Reese to take part in a Hollywood film production, M-Sgt. John K. Smith, Wing Headquarters squadron, left yesterday for England:

Sergeant Smith said he had been trying to get an assignment to England for eight years. During the war he was in England with the Army Ground Forces, and got to like the country.

## Southland Cub Pack Makes Tour of Base

A party of Cub scouts from Southland, Tex., made a tour of the base Tuesday under the direction of Capt. E. E. Ours, information officer.

The scouts were shown the Captivair B-25 adjacent to PTG Headquarters; watched a trampoline performance at the base gym; and examined the base swimming pool.

After that, the group made a tour of the flight line in the flight line taxi; heard a lecture at the weather station by Capt. E. J. Shinaberger; saw the flight planning room at base operations; inspected the hangars; and observed parachutes being packed.

The boys were very enthusiastic, Captain Ours reports, and learned a great deal about Air Force operation from their visit.

lish girl, Peggie Webb, who was serving as the British equivalent of a WAC. Mrs. Smith came to the U. S. in 1946, and since then she and the Sergeant have been trying to go back.

Sergeant Smith was separated from the Army in 1945, and in 1947 reenlisted in the Air Force. In 1949 he was assigned to Germany for duty with the Berlin air lift. Soon after arriving at Celle Royal Air Force Station in the Western section of Germany, Smith was assigned TDY to Tempelhof airdrome for work in filming of "The Big Lift."

### Film Utilized Airmen

This 20th Century-Fox production, produced by William Pearlberg and directed by George Seaton, starred Montgomery Clift and Paul Douglas. Two German film actresses had supporting roles, and the rest of the people in the movie were military personnel and German civilians.

Berlin lies in the Russian sector of Germany, although the city is occupied by the Western Powers, as well as the Russians. In the fall of 1948 the Communists blockaded the roads leading to the western sector of the city. Citizens in the Western sector began to starve, and the western nations decided to send food and fuel into the city by aircraft. Thus "Airlift".

The airlift provided most of the action in the picture, and a theme of American credulity and European chicanery ran through the screenplay. Montgomery Clift was a crewman on the 2000th plane to land at Tempelhof. A great number of people were on hand to meet the plane, including a German frau lein with whom Clift fell in love. After a great deal of difficulty in making marriage arrangements, Clift found out that the girl was only interested in getting a trip to America.

Sergeant Smith was the man who counted the planes to determine the 2000th. He describes his duty on the movie set as a "racket". Military personnel there drew \$2 a day from 20th Century-Fox, and had no duties when they were not scheduled for that day's "shooting".

Smith returned to the ZI in September, 1949, and after attending Administrative specialists school at Warren AFB, Wyo., came to Reese in February 1950.

The Sergeant will be joined in England by Mrs. Smith and their two sons, Barry, who will be 6, and Lynn who will be 3, both on the 6th of July.

# Entertainment Roundup

**TONIGHT**  
SERVICE CLUB — Swimming party MacKenzie Park, 1800.  
NCO CLUB — Bingo; Informal Dance, Bob Lamont  
OFFICERS CLUB — Open house

**SATURDAY**  
SERVICE CLUB — "Hit Parade," 2100  
NCO CLUB — Informal Dance, Dunbar School Orchestra.

**SUNDAY**  
SERVICE CLUB — Coffee and doughnuts, 0930 - 1130  
NCO CLUB — Chicken Dinner, 50 cents, 1700-2000  
OFFICERS CLUB — Open house

**MONDAY**  
SERVICE CLUB — Record Dance  
NCO CLUB — Ladies auxiliary  
OFFICERS CLUB — Game night

**TUESDAY**  
SERVICE CLUB — Ladies fellowship  
NCO CLUB — Bingo  
OFFICERS CLUB — Bingo; small T-bone steak, \$1

**WEDNESDAY**  
SERVICE CLUB — Bingo, 2000  
NCO CLUB — Open house  
OFFICERS CLUB — Square dancing; appetizers, 1615-1800

**THURSDAY**  
SERVICE CLUB — Open house  
NCO CLUB — Square dancing by records  
OFFICERS CLUB — Wives club program tea, 1330, half-price cocktails, 1830 - 1930

## THEATER



## SCHEDULE

### TONIGHT

"With A Song In My Heart," starring Susan Hayward. Critics consider that Susan gives her finest performance in the musical biography based on the life of Jane Froman.

### SATURDAY

"Heat Wave," with Alec Nicol and Hillary Brooke. Nicol plays a nobleman and Miss Brooke the faithless wife of a millionaire, in a stark love affair that reaches its climax in a violent boating trip. Sounds like we'd better leave the kiddies home.

### SUNDAY-MONDAY

"Johnny Dark", with Tony Curtis, Piper Laurie, and Don Taylor. The effort of a young automotive engineer and his craze to create a sports car model for the conservative motor company which employs him.

### TUESDAY

"Sangaree," with Fernando Lamas and Arlene Dahl. The screenplay traces the post-revolutionary war fortunes of Lamas, the son of an indentured servant who has been raised by and made legal executor of the estate of a wealthy Georgia grader and plantation owner.

### WEDNESDAY

"Station West", starring Dick Powell and Jane Greer. If memory serves, this one isn't too bad. Based on a best-selling novel by Luke Short, the story concerns the efforts of an Army intelligence agent who is sent from Washington in the spring of 1882 to investigate the death of two soldiers at Western military outpost.

### THURSDAY

"Bwana Devil," with Robert Stack, Barbara Britton and Nigel Bruce.

### RE-UPS FOR OVERSEAS

T-Sgt Francis A. Selby, 3500th Supply squadron has taken a short discharge and re-enlisted for six years for the purpose of being assigned to Japan, base recruiting reports.

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"The danger," says Captain McCormick, "is that the turbulence created by the blast will throw your plane out of control. I have to stack my plane low enough to stay out of the major's jet wash, but high enough to keep the formation from looking sloppy. One of the ways I check my position is to get my plane up to the point where I can feel the movement of my rudder pedals, which are constantly vibrating because of the leader's blast on my vertical stabilizer. If I get too high my canopy starts to shake and the whole plane vibrates tremendously."

Although spectators of the Thunderbird show which is coming to Reese can't understand how "four guys can pull stuff like that," members of the team don't consider their show much of a feat. "It's nothing that any jet pilot can't do," Major Catledge said. "As a matter of fact all maneuvers are those, in one form or another, of training and combat. Anybody can do it."

Anyhow, the most spectacular show any Air Force has presented comes to the base the morning of June 25.

"There has never been anything like it," Colonel Haney remarked in announcing it.

# Maintenance Shops Scheduled for 05th

The 3505th Field Maintenance shops building, which will house the aircraft instrument shop, hydraulic shop, tire and wheel shop, cable and tubing shop, electrical shop, battery shop and airborne communications shop, is now under construction and due to be completed immediately after final acceptance from the contractor.

The new building will eliminate work area deficiencies in the field maintenance activity which have existed since the base was activated. Space vacated by the shops moving from their present locations will be utilized by other shops to expand their work areas and thereby improve efficiency.

Facilities being furnished in the new building include air compressors, a large vacuum pump, refrigerated air conditioners in the instrument and communications shops, centrally located rectifiers, florescent lighting, telephone outlets, central heating system, and tile wash rooms all necessary electrical power outlets to serve shop machinery being moved into the building.

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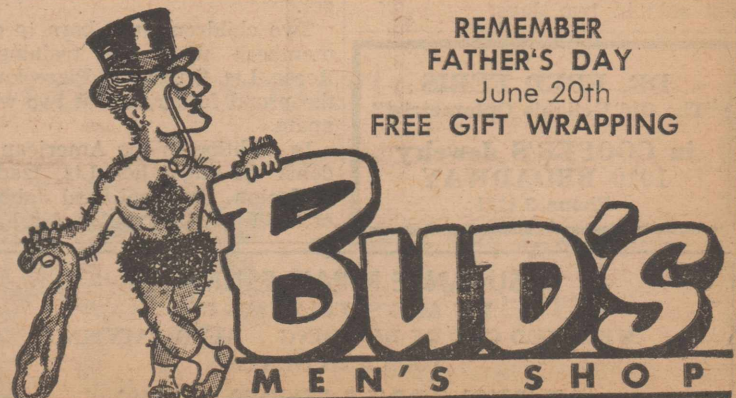
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