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Six Graduates Given Honors

ATC Seeking Representative Best Airman

Reese is in the process of selecting its outstanding airman to compete in the Air Training Command for the honor of being its representative in the annual Outstanding Airman of the Year program of the Air Force Association. The AFA has invited the outstanding airmen of major air commands to be honored guests at the sixth annual convention from Sept. 20 to 24, in Philadelphia, Pa.

All ranks of enlisted personnel will be considered, with emphasis placed on material contributions to the accomplishment of ATC and USAF missions. Other areas of import to selection will be combat experience or a position of responsibility, citations for valor, leadership qualities, an outstanding service record, noteworthy off-duty activities, and an assignment that reflects the Reese mission.

The name of the nominee will be forwarded to ATC by May 24, and the ATC winner will be sent TDY with per diem to the Sheraton Hotel in Philadelphia where the AFA has made reservations. A special luncheon is scheduled which high ranking USAF officials plan to attend.

In addition, the USAF Recruiting Service will select a Recruiter of the Year to represent that organization at the five-day gathering.

Last year CMSgt. Robert E. Hobert of Sheppard AFB, Tex., represented ATC, and MSgt. Lee Rogers of Boston Army Base, Mass., was the 1960 Recruiter of the Year.

The wives of ATC's two outstanding airmen also will be invited to attend the convention as guests of the AFA.

Helmet Deadline Moved To June 18

The period of grace for securing protective helmets for operators and riders of motorcycles and similar vehicles has been extended to June 18, the ground safety office announced Tuesday.

Air Force regulation has made mandatory the wearing of helmets on base similar to those used by civilian motorcycle police. The date set aside for enforcement of this regulation at Reese was May 15, but the base exchange has met difficulty in obtaining approved gear. Sixteen helmets should be available at the exchange by June 5. These will be in four different sizes; others will be made available through special ordering.



SPINNING SPINNERETTES—The Houston Spinnerettes, champion baton twirlers of Texas, are scheduled to perform at Reese on Armed Forces Day, Saturday, May 20. One performance will be on the flight line, with another Saturday evening in Mathis Service Club when they will be Junior Volunteer Hostesses for a dance. Their director is Yvonne McCutcheon. Music will be supplied at the dance by the Luboc's of Lubbock.

Utilities Conservation Aim Of Base Committee Activity

A committee, charged with seeking ways to keep utility costs low on the base has been established at Reese, with Maj. Harold G. Barber as chairman. The group is in charge of the Utilities Management and Conservation Program.

"Did you ever chop wood to keep the homestead warm during the long, cold winter?" asked Maj. Barber. "Usually the chopper was the conservation man of the household. When we changed to coal, oil or gas heating, it was Dad who gave the lectures that utilities were too high.

"In the service it is Uncle Sam who pays, even though we as taxpayers carry the burden. This committee was established to try for the personal touch in conservation."

Maj. Barber cited that fuel bills for the base went up 60 per cent in 1959 over 1958 and an additional 40 per cent last year, that electric costs went up 40 per cent in 1959 over 1958 and another 6 per cent in 1960, and water dropped about 8 per cent in 1959 but climbed 34 per cent last year.

The committee's immediate goal is to eliminate waste. Members suggest:

Turn off the heat before opening a window or turning on the air conditioner.

Call a repairman to repair a leaking faucet.

Water lawns well, but not too often, and follow the schedule of the Daily Bulletin.

Follow thoughts on conservation as published periodically in the Daily Bulletin.

"Conserve our national resources and individual tax dollars," said the major.

Many Listed As Nominees

Upward of 50 persons driving automobiles on the base have been nominated for the monthly cash award for the safest driver. Cecil Lowery, vice-president of the American Federation of Federal Employees, said Thursday. The federation is offering the award.

"We are surprised and pleased by the interest shown in this competition," said Lowery. "Nominations show that numerous instances of fine driving are appearing almost daily."

Selection will be based on courtesy, defensive driving and other factors as Reese people operate vehicles on the base and to and from their homes.

Lowery said that nominations may be made by anyone and that all that is needed is the license number of the automobile and information on the act which is thought worthy of receiving the award. He said calls may be made to the ground safety office, Phone 214, or the drivers school, 775, to provide information on the driver, the spotter and the act worthy of consideration.

The first award will be made about June 15.

Class 61-G-1 Member Wins Highest Award In Command

Six members of Class 61-G-1 at Reese Air Force Base were designated Distinguished Graduates and received special honors at today's graduation.

Aviation Cadet Jimmy C. Dodson of Trumbull, Conn., had been named Outstanding Graduate of his class in Air Training Command and was to receive the Daughters of American Colonists award. Cadet Robert D. Jeffrey of Inglewood, Calif., received the Commander's Trophy for achievement during basic pilot training on the base.

Second Lt. Seymour D. Van Deursen of South Holland, Ill., received the Commander's Trophy as outstanding officer member of the class.

Letters of recognition as Distinguished Graduates also went to 2nd Lt. Victor Vizcarra of Los Angeles and Cadets William V. Hutzell of Cheswick, Pa., and Julian W. Mixon of Camilla, Ga.

Cadet Dodson, in service five and a half years, is a former music student of Sierra College in California. Cadet Jeffrey, a former Eagle Scout, is a former student of Northrop Institute of Technology.

Lt. Van Deursen is a civil engineering graduate of the University of Illinois. Lt. Vizcarra, former high school track star, is a mechanical engineering graduate of Loyola University in Los Angeles.

Cadet Hutzell, high school and college football letterman, received a bachelor degree from Thiel College in Pennsylvania. Cadet Mixon is a former student of Georgia Institute of Technology.

Brig. Gen. Clair L. Wood, Deputy Chief of Staff for Personnel in Air Training Command headquarters, was the speaker, and was introduced by Col. L. C. Hess, base commander. Graduation was held at 10:30 a.m., following a wing and aerial review.

Lt. Col. Charles M. Lyons, commander of the 3501st Pilot Training Squadron, served as master of ceremonies; Capt. Harry Winberg, flight commander, gave the oath of office to aviation cadets who became second lieutenants; and Col. Hess presented the Commander's Trophies. Col. William A. Martin, M&S Group commander, presented awards to Distinguished Graduates. Chaplain George Worner gave the invocation and benediction and the Amarillo Band played before and after the exercises.

The graduating class includes 41 United States students, as well as three students from Pakistan and one from Iran. Two of the Americans are returning to Air National Guard units, seven will remain in Air Training Command, three will go to the Military Air Transport Service, twenty-one to the Strategic Air Command, and eight to Tactical Air Command. They will fly twelve types of aircraft in future assignments, including fighters, bombers, carriers, rescue and refueling planes.

Derby Entrant Receives Aid Of Flight 7

A Reese unit this year will sponsor an entrant in Lubbock's Soapbox Derby. It has been five years since a sponsorship was set up here.

Kale Martin of Lubbock will have the backing of Flight 7 before he starts his competition July 19 on North Avenue G. He is competing for \$5,000 in scholarships to a college and a chance to go to Akron, Ohio, for the National Soapbox Derby championship.

In sponsoring the Martin lad, the flight pays all expenses of building the racer, plus providing morale and guidance assistance where needed. The lad was selected from a list provided by the Modern Chevrolet company and Avalanche - Journal, which sponsor the annual derby. The firms said the 13-year-old could use the aid, since he is carrying two paper routes to get funds to go to college.

Allied students in the flight have become enthusiastic over the project, and have pledged themselves to work hard in giving assistance. They have never seen a soapbox derby and knew nothing about one until asked to aid. They are Aviation Cadets Irshad Qureschi, Mangoor Kahn, Tariq Khan and Hassan Choudry of Pakistan and Lt. Gilberto Montoya of Colombia.

Proper Duty Asked For Young Officers

Many non-rated second lieutenants are not being given the proper initial duty assignment, USAF headquarters cautioned all commands.

"Many second lieutenants have been given initial assignments which, although not directly violating assignment policies, have not been within the spirit and intent of published directives," a letter to all major commands said.

Some parents will spend anything on their children except time.

Increased Promotion Rating For Airmen Expected In Changed Procedures

(This is the first of a two-part feature describing changes in classification and skill level test procedure that will allow greater promotion and pro-pay opportunities to the most deserving airmen.)

WASHINGTON (AFNS) — A greater "stripe" and "pro-rating" potential for most airmen is predicted by Pentagon officials who announced important and widespread changes in classification and skill level test procedures.

To the individual, his increased career chances boil down to earning a "job well done" from his

supervisor rather than the mere posting of a qualifying score on various job knowledge tests.

While Air Force-wide tests for the 3, 5, and 7-skill levels remain important, major commands now have certain options for deserving personnel when formal test scores are too low.

It was never the intention of the Air Force to use formal testing as the sole means of determining skill level, USAF officials point out.

According to the officials, the announced changes would insure that the Air Force continued to

promote the best qualified people quickest.

Significant changes in the classification and testing program for airmen personnel occur in these broad areas:

(1) redesignation of Airman Proficiency Tests (APTs) and Air Force Job Knowledge Tests (AFJKTs) as Specialty Knowledge Tests (SKTs);

(2) computation of test scores in percentile scores rather than in standard scores of the past;

(3) establishment of new qualifying scores and allowances for major air commands to award a rating of "conditionally eligible;"

(4) changes in the tests themselves;

(5) major command authority to waive mandatory test qualifications in certain instances.

The old AFJKTs were used to test 3-level (semi-skilled) candidates, while the old APTs were used above the 3-level. It was felt by many that the term "proficiency" carried in the test title obscured an important distinction between knowledge and proficiency. A person may pass a test, indicating his knowledge of the subject, but to demonstrate his proficiency he must use this knowledge on the job. Hence, the

change of wording to Specialty Knowledge Tests (SKTs).

The old standard scores used 100 as the statistical point that indicated the precise middle of the tested group, or 50 per cent. Saying the same thing in percentile system, the new percentile score of 50 indicates the same middle point and has the advantage of being understood numerically without reference to any standard.

If a person scores 50 percentile, it simply means he rates better than 50 per cent of those who have taken the test. (See CHANGED, Page 6)

From The COMMANDER'S DESK

By Col. L. C. Hess, Base Commander

Twenty years ago this month President Franklin D. Roosevelt bought the first U. S. Defense Bond. Seven months after his purchase the United States was at war, and millions of Americans poured their savings into the program in an inspiring demonstration of patriotism.

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We Choose Our Profession

The profession of arms is an ancient one indeed. Human history from the earliest times has been written around the exploits of military men in the field or on the seas. Since World War I another dimension has been added—the air. No doubt historians of the future will carry their writings to events at still another level—aerospace.

Our profession has had its understandable ups and downs. Over 250 years ago, for example, an English veteran wrote these lines:

"God and the soldier we adore

In times of danger, not before;

The danger passed, and all things righted,

God is forgotten and the soldier slighted."

We've come a long way, however, in public understanding of military careers. People now have a new comprehension of the constructive contributions made to the American way of life by men and women in uniform. They are conscious that only a strong military arm can maintain world peace in these uneasy days. Hence the uniform is not only accepted but honored by our fellow citizens in America.

Let us walk proudly, then, in our uniforms. We have CHOSEN our profession. We represent 180,000,000 people who look to us to man the barricades against the threat of international Communism. Each of us, giving his best to the job to which he is assigned, meshes together to form the strongest machine of military might in the history of the world. Because we have chosen the profession of arms at this particular time the entire course of history has changed.

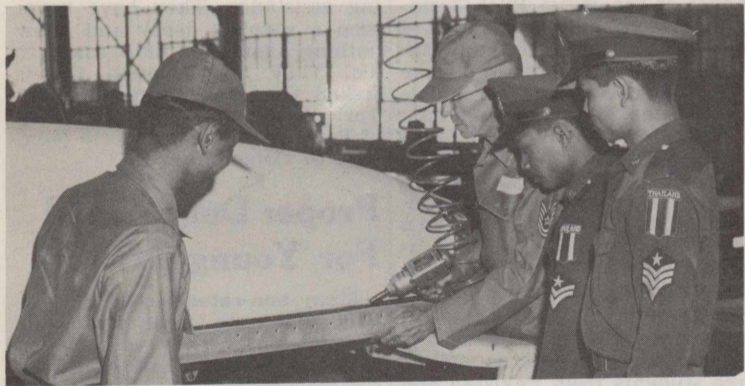
The Bench and Gavel

(From Office of Staff Judge Advocate)

Recently some teenage Texans intentionally destroyed property belonging to an adult. This adult brought suit against the parents of the boys, even though these parents in no way caused the damage. HELD—the adult could recover up to \$300 from the parents of the wrongdoers.

Texas has joined some 24 other states in passing a law making the parents civilly liable for malicious and willful damage to or destruction of property. The statute provides that the parents shall be liable for a maximum of \$300 for each incident when the "child" is between the ages of 10 and 18.

Those parents who have met their responsibilities and properly reared their children should have no fear. But, those who have sown a wind may well reap a whirlwind in the area of the pocket-book!



ON JOB TRAINING—TSgt. William R. Milam of the Field Maintenance Branch of M&S instructs three Thailand airmen on the repair of T-33 aircraft canopy. Left to right, A1C Swake Wasiksiri, A1C Praist Bo-Ngam, A2C Suebpong Dangasawai, and Sgt. Milam.

Thailand Airmen Complete Training

Three airmen of the Thailand Air Force, A1C Swake Wasiksiri, A1C Praist Bo-Ngam and A2C Suebpong Dangasawai, this week completed 14 weeks of on-the-job training at Reese Air Force Base and started back home to put new techniques into use for their own country.

Airman Wasiksiri trained in the field maintenance branch of the Maintenance and Supply Group, while the other two Thailand students learned in the personal equipment branch of the Pilot Training Group. Airman Wasiksiri will receive another month's training in a technical instructor's course at Amarillo AFB before going home, but the others are

leaving to return to Thailand immediately.

In the field maintenance area, Airman Wasiksiri learned United States Air Force methods of repairing aircraft. The other two were taught proper repair and inspection of the pilot's equipment.

Prior to Reese assignment, Airman Bo-Ngam and Dansawai spent 22 weeks at Chanute AFB, Ill., in aircraft study. Airman Wasiksiri was at Amarillo AFB 16 weeks.

The three airmen were assigned to study in this country after a series of tests which found them qualified.

Parson-to-Person Love, Marriage Part Of Divine Plan For World

By CHAPLAIN LEO E. PESEK

Love, Courtship and Marriage are so often treated in a spirit of levity, and are made the butt of so many rude jokes, that it is worthwhile to point out that they are part of a divine plan. This is made clear to us by the picture painted for us at the very dawn of human existence. After God had created the universe and all living things, He placed man in the Garden of Paradise and gave him dominion over all of these things.

Sovereign of Paradise that he was, richer than any mortal man in material wealth and in the chaste beauty of nature's virgin landscape, there still remained a void and an emptiness that pressed on his lonely heart. Then God's voice was heard: "It is not good for man to be alone: let us make him a help mate like unto himself."

When Adam gazed upon the face of Eve, his eyes beheld a new beauty and a loveliness which nothing in all the mighty pageantry of nature can duplicate or rival. The emptiness in his heart vanishes and in its place he feels a new and strange emotion never felt before. Life takes on a new meaning. Now for the first time he sees the beauty and the poetry and the romance of human existence.

He plights his deathless troth to Eve. With prophetic vision into the unwritten future, God proclaims the law for all mankind: "Wherefore a man shall leave father and mother, and shall cleave to his wife, and they shall be two in one flesh." It is the great mystery of human love which makes two hearts beat as one. It is a sacred flame for it is kindled by a spark from the eternal and uncreated love of God.

Ocean Ice Bases Used Operationally

A potential major breakthrough in air base construction—the use of thick ocean ice in polar regions as airstrips — is undergoing tests in Greenland.

Doing the testing are some of the "hardware heavyweights" of the Air Force, C-130s, F-120s, KC-135s, B-47s and B-52s.

Just off Thule AB, Greenland, these aircraft are operating from a 14,000-foot runway of natural ice. This and several 200 and 500-foot circular parking pads were constructed by USAF in the ice-fields of North Star Bay as part of a research program in engineering.

This is the first time that heavy jets and Century series fighters have used an ocean ice airfield under actual operating conditions.

Changed . . .

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Changes in qualifying scores will result in: (1) lower scores generally; (2) in even lower "conditionally eligible" qualifying scores that can be exercised by major air commanders.

The old qualifying minimum scores at the 3, 5 and 7-level were respectively 85, 90 and 100. The new percentile minimum qualifying scores at these same levels are respectively 20, 30 and 40.

Moreover, the 5 and 7-levels would carry the "conditionally eligible" qualifying brackets of respectively 20 and 25, 30 and 35. But major air commanders have been instructed not to use this bracket except in considering such factors as "aptitude minimums for entry into the specialty; amount of formal training required for specialty qualifications and nature of job functions performed in relation to the overall specialty functions," the official announcement said.

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Reese Men May Be First Accomplished Aerospace Enlistees

A Reese NCO and airman probably were the first to reenlist into the accomplished aerospace force. They took their oath immediately after Commander Alan B. Shepard Jr. completed his flight into space and stepped onto the deck of the Aircraft Carrier Lake Champlain from the helicopter that rescued him from the ocean.

Staff sergeant James A. Harmon, a supervisor in ground power equipment of M&S Group, and A2C Bobby Joe Purcell, an IBM machine operator of statistical services, were sworn in at the airmen personnel office by 1st Lt. John C. Sirmans, assistant personnel officer. The sergeant has eight years of prior service and the airman three.

Purcell was the first one from Reese to reenlist under the second half Fiscal Year '62 selective reenlistment program for first-term airmen, said TSgt. James I. Brown, retention NCO. Both reenlistees have assignments for overseas duty. The sergeant will go to Libya, and the airman to Fuchu Air Base, Japan.

KANSAS GETS FIRST ICBM

Kansas' first Atlas ICBM was placed in its launch complex April 12 for checkout at Forbes AFB. It is assigned to Forbes' 548th Strategic Missile Squadron.

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ATC's Role Grows Greater In Service Reorganization

(In part one of this two-part feature the Air Force's reorganization of its space research and development program was examined. In part two, the reorganization's effect on Air Training Command is explored.)

The decision to entrust the Air Force with the major share of the military space development program is certain to have far-reaching impact on the Air Training Command.

In the future, when advanced space technology becomes an ever greater reality, men who are prepared to shoulder the burden of the space race will be indispensable. It will be Air Training Command's job to train personnel in the more advanced skills required of higher manpower.

As developments and changes take place in weapon systems — progressing from the air-breathing vehicles to the space systems, from mechanical to electronic operations, from gasoline to exotic fuels — training programs to prepare the man for the Aerospace Force will have to be updated and evolve with the change.

Training equipment will become more elaborate and more costly as fidelity, effectiveness and utilization of simulators, trainers and training aids are increased.

And, as training bases and other facilities presently in use evolve

to accommodate new training missions and equipment needed for new systems, the face of ATC will change.

Changes in aircraft — planes, rockets, missiles — may well transform the ATC trainee of the future into a presently unforeseeable "Buck Rogers" era in which liaison with the far corners of the universe is possible.

Tomorrow's Aerospace Force will demand more of the men who man it — more in knowledge, stamina, versatility, imagination and training. ATC's challenge is to "Prepare The Man" for this Force.

CADETS TO VISIT SAC

Twenty-three Strategic Air Command bases will host 174 cadets of the Air Force Academy's Class of 1962 this summer during Operation "Third Lieutenant." The operation's objective is threefold: To introduce the cadets to the everyday problems of company grade officers; To let them see "first hand" the coordination and supervision used in routine operations and to provide the cadets with an understanding of the details involved in accomplishing the SAC mission.

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Many Planes To Be Shown

At least 15 aircraft of the Army, Navy and Air Force will be on display at Reese for Armed Forces Day, Saturday, May 20. Other planes also may be on hand.

Scheduled for inspection by residents of the South Plains as military services unite in showing a portion of the nation's "Power for Peace," will be fighters, bombers, helicopters, refueling aircraft, and other types of aerial equipment. The Civil Air Patrol and Reese Aero Club will also have planes on display.

Fighters to be shown will include the F-104, F-102, F-100, and F-86D, with possibly an F-106. The B-57 and B-47 bombers also will be on display, along with a KC-135 refueling plane. The H-21 helicopter will be on hand for inspection and study.

The Army will show its L-19, L-20, and U-1A, and the Navy is to exhibit its S-F2 from Corpus Christi and the F-9F from Chase Field. The T-29 flying classroom of the Air Force also will be shown, and possibly a T-38 trainer which is being added to the Air Training Command inventory and is scheduled to begin service at Reese next year.

In addition to the operating aircraft, several cutaways and mock-ups are booked for inspection by visitors. On display in a hangar will be a J-57 engine cutaway, a J-70 simulator, J-57 synthetic trainer, J-85 engine on a stand, and a J-47 cutaway.

Tours Of Lubbock Planned By Club

Tours to places of interest in and around Lubbock will be scheduled by Mathis Service Club, during the coming months. Two such tours are scheduled this month.

This Sunday, a tour will be made of the West Texas Museum, including a musical program in the Museum Auditorium, "Music By DeBussey." Transportation

will be furnished, and the group will leave the Service Club at 2:45 p.m. and return at about 6:30 p.m.

A second tour is scheduled next Tuesday of the television stations, KCBD and KDUB. Transportation will be furnished, leaving the Service Club at 6:30 p. m. and return at approximately 10:30 p.m.

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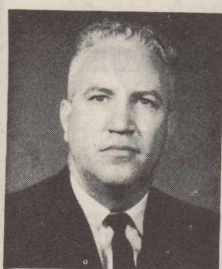
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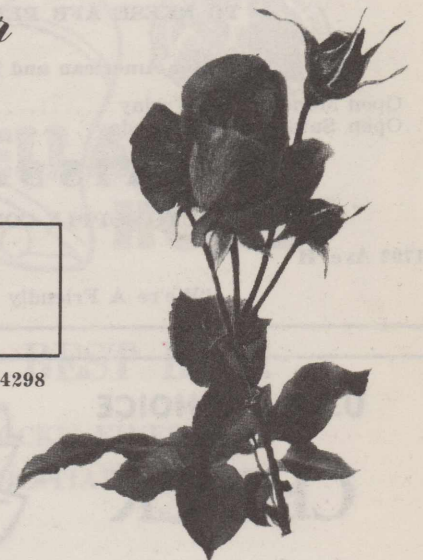
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Club Plans To Start Children's Library

The Officers Wives Club is planning to set up a children's library in the hospital for use of all hospitalized children. New and used books are needed, club officers said, and donations are sought from every family. A container for the donated books is being placed in the pediatric clinic of Ward 4 at the hospital.

BIDS SOUGHT

Bids will be opened at 2:30 p.m., May 17, for construction of an aircraft paint spray building on the base. Numerous contractors have been asked to submit quotations to the base procurement office.

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Woman's Chatter

By Mrs. Nelson Sprague
A color scheme of pink was used when Mrs. John Bass and Mrs. Andre Deshaies honored Mrs. August Schumbera, Jr., with a farewell party at the Officers' Club Tuesday evening. Capt. and Mrs. Schumbera will leave May 16 for Bryan, Tex., where the captain will enter Texas A & M College to work for a master's degree.

A barbecue was held in the back yard of Dr. and Mrs. William Threlkeld on Friday, May 5. This was a farewell gesture to the staff of the flight surgeon's office by Drs. and Mmes. Ben Norfleet, Charles Secrest, and William Threlkeld. Special guests were the three visiting flight surgeons from Thailand.

Maj. and Mrs. Jack Turner will host a farewell dinner in their home May 13, at which the Weather Group detachment will say its farewell to Capt. and Mrs. Schumbera. First Lt. Ronald O. Kinion will entertain them at dinner on May 16, before their departure for Bryan.

The Medical Group coffee was held on May 10, in the home of Mrs. Shigeo Sumida.

Col. and Mrs. William A. Martin and Capt. and Mrs. John Erdmann spent several days sightseeing and shopping in El Paso and Mexico last week.

Wives of the M&S Group will tour the KDUB-TV Station Friday, May 19. Guests have been asked to meet at the station, 7400 College, at 10:45 a.m.

Mrs. Thomas Manjak and son, Mick, spent the past week visiting relatives and friends in Alamogordo, N. M. Mrs. Manjak's mother will return with them this weekend.

Mrs. Joseph Mecseji is in charge of arrangements for the Officers Wives Club party from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. on May 27. Dress will be the officers' summer mess dress uniforms or semi-formal uniform. A charge of \$1.25 per couple will be collected at the door.

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BOY:
Richard Stewart, to Capt. and Mrs. James A. Wheeler, Apr. 28.
Jonathan, to A1C and Mrs. Kenneth D. Whitfield, May 1.

GIRL:
Robin Anne, to 2nd Lt. and Mrs. Gerald T. Stack.
Lynmarie, to 2nd Lt. and Mrs. Charles H. Thompson, Jr., Apr. 28.
Leah Louise, to 2nd Lt. and Mrs. Miles A. Kaspar, Apr. 29.

WILSON PORTRAYED

"Woodrow Wilson and the Unknown Soldier," an original drama, will be presented at 10 p.m., Saturday, May 20, on KCBD-TV, Lubbock. Don Ameche will be narrator and Lowell Thomas the host.

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SSgt. Peter Williams is visiting with his parents, MSgt. and Mrs. Zolton Toth. Sgt. Williams is en route to Stead AFB.

A new member, Mrs. Kathleen Decker, was welcomed to the NCO Wives Club at Tuesday night's business meeting.

TSgt. and Mrs. Dan Quinney visited with his mother, Mrs. Tom Casson, in San Antonio over the weekend.

MSgt. and Mrs. John DiAgostino entertained SSgt. and Mrs. Carl McCloud with a spaghetti dinner in honor of the McClouds' sixth wedding anniversary.

Mrs. R. D. Cole of Andrews, Tex., will visit her brother-in-law and sister, SSgt. and Mrs. Robert Cook.

The monthly social of the NCO Wives Club will be a free barbecue supper for members and their husbands on May 23 at the NCO Club. Dress will be optional; ties and jackets are not required. The affair is by reservation and calls should be to Mrs. DiAgostino, 2131, or Mrs. Corsi, 2701, on or before May 19.

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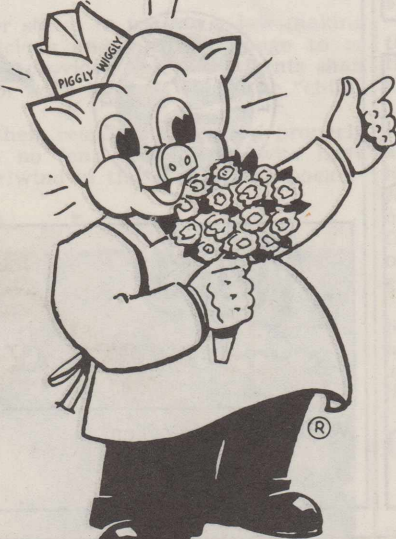


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Rifle Team Names Initial Officers

SSgt. Darrell S. Goodwyn was elected club captain of the Reese Small Bore Gun Club, Monday

night, at the organizational meeting.

SSgt. Max Bolinger was named team coach; SSgt. Howard Teague, SSgt. George Vierra and A1C Robert Weimer, executive council; A1C T. D. Drummond, secretary-treasurer; A2C David Lohr, publicity chairman; TSgt. William Foster, match coordinator; and A1C Delmar Callahan, sergeant-at-arms.

The "Tommy Tripods" was selected as the club name. The club emblem is a picture of Tommy Tripod, a small bore shooter, with a third leg that gives him added stability for off-hand shooting.

The club will initiate and boost an area small bore rifle team league, sponsor junior rifle teams, and promote other projects.

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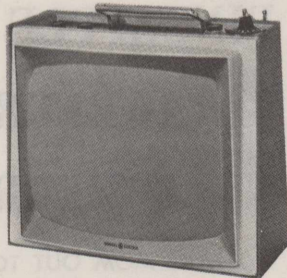
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Base Bowlers Enter Tourney

A six-man team which rolled a 182 average in the base tournament is representing Reese this weekend in the Northern District Bowling Tourney of Air Training Command at Sheppard AFB. Games will be bowled Saturday and Sunday.

First Lt. Ronald Tingley has the best average on the team, hitting 187 for tournament competition and tabbing an 817 high series. SSgt. Donald Campbell had a 183 average and TSgt. Frank Ray a 181. Second Lt. Dave Sweigart rolled the high tournament game of 246 to finish with a 181 average, also. CMSgt. James Larey and TSgt. Henry T. Schmitt averaged 179.

Bowling Results

Officers League

The Flight 3 Comanches increased their lead to 46 wins, 14 losses, this week as they concluded Officers Bowling League competition with a 2,437 high series. The league ended with the Wing Wizards in second place with 40 wins, 20 losses, and a three-way tie between the Flight 2 Mohawks, Medics and M&S Greasers for third place. Each had a 36-24 record.

The Bad Guys had a 2,387 high series and the Greasers 2,340. The M&S Cripples rolled an 864 high game, trailed by the Comanches' 846 and the Bad Guys' 828.

First Lt. Albert Langford rolled a 571 high series, ahead of 1st Lt. Robert Guinn, 568, and Lt. Col. Delmar Atchison, 561. Lieutenant Guinn hit a 233 game, Col. Atchison 217 and Lt. Langford 210.

Intramural League

High game for the week in Intramural League bowling competition was taken by SSgt. Joe Jurcic, M&S, with a 212. He also took top honors in individual series play, scoring a 548.

The high team game was won by the 3502nd Sq., with an 870. The hospital took the high team series competition, showing a score of 2492.

At the present ABG has managed to tie with the Hospital for the first place, both showing a 40½-11½ win-loss record. The Hornets are in third position, with a 39-13 record, while the Flight Surgeon's Office is in fourth, 37-15.

Golf Notes

Air Base Group held first place this week in the Intramural Golf League, trailed by the Maintenance section of M&S Group in second spot and Student Squadron officers in third.

Matches last week included a 15-3 win by ABG over the Hospital, M&S 10½-7½ victory over Civil Engineers, and a 13-5 Supply triumph over PTG. The Flight line defeated PTW, 10-8, and the Student Officers bested Weather, 14½-3½.

The new layout of the course will be used for this week-end's golf tournament.

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Officers for the 1961-62 school year will be elected by the Reese Parent-Teachers Association in its final meeting of this term at 8 p.m. Monday in the Reese Elementary School cafeteria. A short program will be presented by children of the school. Lt. Col. Charles F. Ford, president, will preside.

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At 10:34 (EDT) May 5, Navy Cdr. Alan Shepard Jr., in a Mercury space capsule, was shot into space by a Redstone rocket. During the 19-minute flight down the Atlantic Missile Range, the capsule rose 115 miles high and covered a distance of approximately 290 miles.

Midway through the flight, Cdr. Shepard switched to manual controls and reported, "the view is beautiful." For reentry he fired the reverse rockets. The first, and later the main parachutes opened. After that the capsule began descending to the water where three helicopters were standing by.

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Soon after arriving on the Lake Champlain, Astronaut Shepard spoke to President Kennedy via a direct-hookup to the White House.

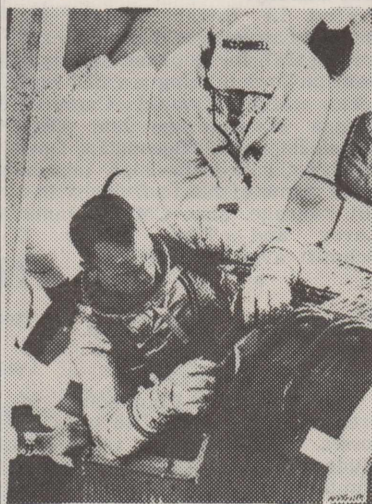
For America's first astronaut, the day began shortly after 2 a.m., when he was awakened. First he shaved and showered, ate breakfast and then went through the involved process of getting dressed in his flight suit. Shortly after 5 a.m. he boarded a van which took him to the launching pad. After taking a quick look at the Redstone rocket, he took an elevator to the capsule which was sealed at 7:10 a.m.

At this point troubles set in causing a hold on the countdown. First the skies clouded over. Next a defect apparently developed in an inverter which converts the launching system's power from A-C to D-C current. Meantime, America's first astronaut remained in the capsule for nearly four hours. Finally, the skies cleared, the defects were corrected and the rocket and capsule sent skyward.

On the Redstone flight, the astronaut encountered extreme pressures of acceleration and on re-entry, five minutes of weightlessness and speeds up to 5,000 mph.

The Federal Space Agency termed the flight a "success" and a major step toward orbiting an American later this year. Project Mercury officials said, "A sub-orbital flight was necessary to determine if man could perform useful chores on a brief space trip before he is orbited."

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Astronaut Alan B. Shepard, with the help of a technician, squeezes into a Mercury capsule in one of the many flight simulation tests.

A revolutionary radar unit on SAC's newest bomber — the B-52H — has a magic eye which looks ahead and shows the aircraft commander the exact profile of approaching terrain still miles away.

Thailand Surgeons Learn Reese Medical Techniques

Three flight surgeons of Thailand's Air Force are undergoing three weeks of orientation at Reese in USAF flight surgeon's procedures. This orientation supplements their studies in the advanced flight surgeon school of the School of Aerospace Medicine at Brooks AFB, Tex. They are Maj. Banjerd Srisuwan, Maj. Palakavongs Manochao, and Maj. Salab Nathalang, each with at least nine years service.

Dr. (Capt.) Charles R. Secrest is the project officer in charge of their orientation at Reese. These doctors have been shown USAF procedures in conducting physical examinations, have observed altitude chamber flights, observed ejection seat procedures, visited many areas of the base, and are scheduled to visit virtually every base organization.

Thailand's Air Force, said the doctor, serves a country of 24 million people in one of the world's "hot spots," trains its own pilots in T-6's and T-33's, has only one type of fighter, the F-86, and its mission is fighter support. The

military in Thailand is patterned after the US, so the majors have the equivalent rank of majors in USAF.

The advanced course began in December and will end in June. These flight surgeons should leave Reese about May 21. They are just some of many allied flight surgeons attending this course.

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