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The Picture

Our half-page color Christmas picture shows Santa Claus at the home of TSgt. and Mrs. Waldemar Zimmerman, 336 Arnold Drive, Reese Village. The children, from left to right: John Garland, Bob Schultz, Sam Garland and Mike Zimmerman.

The visit is one of many being made in Reese Village and the Trailer Park over the Christmas holiday through arrangements with the Reese AFB NCO Wives Club.

Yule Plans Highlight Season

Carding, parties and special dinner are slated by base organizations as Reese personnel prepare for Christmas.

Activities began last week with the arrival of Santa Claus at base operations by helicopter and a party at the base theater for 250 children. Also present were 83 children from the Buckner Baptist Children's Home. The party

at the theater featured clowns, ballet dancers, singers and a magician.

Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts toured the base and Reese Village carolling yesterday, concluding with a party at the Youth Center. Approximately 100 youngsters took part in the activities.

Student training flights were

ended today with operations slated to get underway again Jan. 2.

According to officials, only pilot proficiency flights, upgrading flights and orientation flights will be conducted during the holiday period.

The chapel and associated groups have planned a variety of activities beginning Tuesday with carolling by the Protestant Men of the Chapel and Protestant Women of the Chapel and anyone else interested in participating. Meeting 7:30 p.m. at the chapel support facility, the group will proceed through the base, Reese Village and the hospital. Refreshments and a Christmas party will conclude the evening at the chapel.

The traditional Protestant candlelight Christmas Eve worship service will be conducted Wednesday, 8 p.m. The service will be concluded with candlelighting and singing of "Silent Night". Parishioners will be invited to

participate in Holy Communion during the service.

Wednesday, Chaplain (Major) John A. Collins will conduct the traditional Christmas Eve midnight Mass. Confession has been slated Tuesday, 4 to 5 p.m. and Wednesday, 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. and 6 to 7:30 p.m.

Three services will be conducted

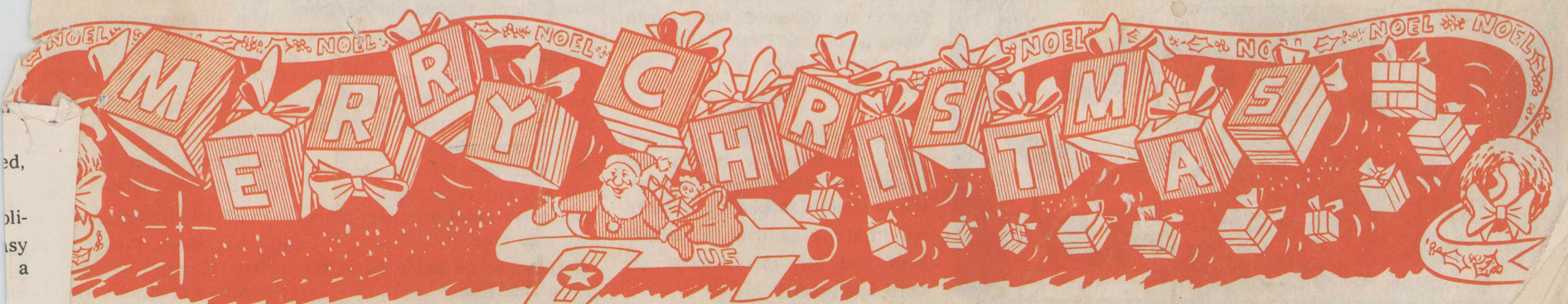
Reminder Issued For Final Paper

This is the final issue of the year for The Roundup. The next issue will appear Jan. 16, 1970.

During the next three weeks, please continue to get your news into the Information office, building 815, in order that it may be disseminated to other sources, such as Air Force Times, local media and others. The deadline for our next issue of The Roundup will be Jan. 13.

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COMMANDER'S COMMENTS...



Col. Clyde J. Morganti
Wing Commander

Christmas Season Has Dual Purpose

Next Thursday we observe the birth of Christ, a tradition that has held up for nearly two thousands years. And the following Thursday, Jan. 1, ushers in a new decade—the '70s, which has been called a decade of promise.

Both events should hold special significance for us this year. Christmas has been a time for turning men's minds toward peace and goodwill and the '70s loom with the prospects of peace on a not-too-distant horizon.

No one appreciates peace more than the men called upon by their countrymen in time of war to fight for them. Sometimes they accomplish this with unbelievable dedication in the face of sporadic criticism against him and what he stands for. The man who is being shot at wants peace more than anyone else in the world—even more than those who are critical of him.

But while the American serviceman desires peace, he is equally appreciative of being prepared against the possibility of war. For just as cold is the absence of heat, war is the absence of peace.

When peace does come, the mission of this base will continue as it has in the past—to provide the Air Force with trained pilots. For whether it is wartime or peace time, the Air Force is manned flight, and this takes the special kind of man which is turned out as pilots at this and other Undergraduate Pilot Training bases in Air Training Command.

It follows then that each job at this base is intricately connected with that mission, just as the production of this base is connected with the effort of ATC and that in turn with that of the Air Force. If we can remember next Thursday that our people want peace more than anyone else in the world, then tackle the '70s the following Thursday determined to work hard at making us strong enough—through individual effort—to make that peace a reality, then it will come to pass.

Unfortunately, time does not allow me to visit personally with each of you this holiday season. Therefore, I would like to thank you for your support and outstanding performance this year and to extend my sincere wishes for a Merry Christmas and a happy and prosperous New Year to each of you through this column.



From The Top

Christmas Messages

As Christmas and the New Year draw near. I extend warmest greetings and best wishes to all men and women of the United States Air Force and their families.

At this time, when we pause to consider the events of the year, each of you can take pride and satisfaction in your accomplishments. Your courage and dedi-

cation have brought honor and credit to the Air Force.

During this holiday season, we should also reflect upon the many blessings which we enjoy. Let us strive for the day when these blessings will be shared by all mankind.

Robert C. Seamans Jr.
Secretary of the Air Force

the holidays and for the coming year.

Gen. John D. ...
Air Force Chief Staff

Best wishes for the merriest Christmas ever and a happy, safe and fruitful New Year. DCO

The staff of the 3500th USAF Hospital would like to extend warmest wishes for a blessed holiday season and a healthy and happy New Year. 3500th USAF Hospital

Have a safe and happy holiday season. Air Base Group

We hope weather conditions help provide you with a very happy and very safe holiday season. Weather Squadron

We wish to take this opportunity to extend our heartfelt thanks and appreciation for your outstanding mission support rendered in the past year. With your continued support and sustained efforts we will continue to be the best in ATC in 1970. DCM

Beware Of Silent Killer

According to the National Safety Council, thousands of Americans die each year from the silent killer—carbon monoxide poisoning. Carbon monoxide is odorless, tasteless and colorless. You can die before you know anything is wrong. According to experts, the first symptom is tightness across the forehead, followed (or accompanied) by throbbing in the temples, headache, weariness, weakness, dizziness, nausea, loss of muscular control and increased pulse and respiration. At this stage the victim will soon lose consciousness and unless he receives help, will soon die. The entire time span from the tightness across the forehead to death is only a

few minutes. Running an auto engine in a closed garage for five minutes may mean death. It can be prevented: Avoid operating an automobile in an unvented building. Check the exhaust system in cars for leaks. Drive with car windows open enough to allow fresh air to enter. Properly vent all fuel-burning heating devices in the home. Avoid sleeping with operating camp stoves, lanterns, charcoal burning hibachis, etc. Additionally, if you encounter someone you expect has been poisoned, the following action is recommended. Remember, time is of the utmost importance: Remove the victim to fresh air

immediately. If he is not breathing, or isn't breathing regularly, begin artificial respiration immediately. Have someone call a doctor, fire or police department in order to get oxygen equipment at the scene. Administering 100 per cent oxygen is important for recovery. Keep the victim warm with blankets or other coverings. Continue application of oxygen as provided through the emergency equipment, for 20 to 30 minutes after natural breathing returns. This will assist in ridding the victim's blood of the carbon monoxide. (ATCPS)



Just Ordinary People

By Chaplain, (Major) John A. Collins

A small group of God-fearing men, humble yet wholesome, stood on a hillside, leaning drowsily on their staves, drawing their cloaks closer around them against the tingling night air. Theirs was a dull, routine job. Every night just a carbon copy of the night before. Theirs was certainly the last outpost of obscurity. Nothing exciting ever happened there; it seemed nothing could.

Suddenly a thousand stars seemed to melt into one. The frosty air quivered with music. Vows proclaim "Fear not! I bring you good tidings of great joy. This day a Saviour is born to you."

And when the angels had gone, when the heavenly beauty had passed like the turning of a page, these simple shepherds whispered, "Let us go over to Bethlehem and see this wonder the Lord has made."

The message of Christmas was first told to them, humble men. This is why Christmas will always be the feast of the common man, the festival of God's esteem for obscure, ordinary little people.

And so if nobody pays much attention to you, if you are just another name on the census list, just another undistinguishable nobody, then Christmas is your day. It is

still the day when Christ with the neat irony of God, got the proud Herods, the overbearing Pharisees, the carousing and is born again among modern Shepherds the ordinary simple people, the humble heart, the wholesome quietly and sincerely. To you, then, a very Blessed Christmas!

Take These Tree Suggestions

The number of fires caused by Christmas trees each year is unknown. Surely though, the number must be excessive judging from news accounts.

To help you have a safe Christmas this year, Air Training Command safety experts offer the following suggestions:

- Set your tree far enough away from any source of heat.
- Don't use candles to help illuminate your tree.
- Keep water or wet sand at the base of the tree.

- Use a sturdy stand, will support your tree safely.
- Use nonflammable decorations.
- Keep the tree base in water until you're ready to trim it.
- Check your wiring and do not overload circuits.
- When the room isn't occupied turn the tree lights off.
- Don't let fire destroy your holiday happiness. Follow these safety precautions and have a fire-safe Christmas. (ATCPS)

In reverse order

first missing

Graduation Services Slated For Class 70-04

Forty-nine student pilots, including five Marine and two Danish students, are scheduled to receive pilot wings during graduation ceremonies of Class 70-04 tomorrow at the base theater.

Beginning at 10 a.m., the activities will be highlighted by an address by Col. Clyde J. Morganti, 3500th Pilot Training Wing commander.

The graduates are: Captains Dale H. Jones and Robert J. McAllister II; 1st Lt. Barry L. Richard; Second Lieutenants Edward L. Adams, Ernest B. Anderson Jr., Kenneth R. Bassett, Peter D. Blake, Richard J. Both Jr., Richard J. Brien, Bruce A. Cohen, Robert B. Compton, William A. Draper, George W. Etter, Robert W. Evans, George J. Grubis, Robert D. Hauer, Ervin R. Hobbs and Michael C. Leydorf.

Others are Second Lieutenants Ronald D. McClung, Gary E. McDaniel, Thomas O. McDonald, Jay A. Mengel, Alfred P. Metz, John J. Mitchell, Dwight A. Moore, George E. Palfi, Paul J. Peacock, James A. Perry, Jon A. Phelps, Charles W. Purcell, Dennis W. Richardson, Mark K. Rowell, Charles P. Russell and Charles R. Skillern.

Also, John J. Sweeney, Donald P. Tilley, Charles L. Tipton,

Charles G. Trout, John S. Walker, Albert G. Warfield III, Dennis R. Weaver and Bradley J. Wright.

U.S. Marine Corps graduates include Capt. George A. Ampagoomian, 1st Lt. Charles H. Kinney, 1st Lt. Douglas P. Wiita, 2nd Lt. Robert B. McVey, and 2nd Lt. Nelson W. Morley III.

Royal Danish Air Force graduates are A/C Keld K. Jepsen and A/C Erling G. Knudsen.

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Reese Graduate Earns Top Honor

The Orville Wright Achievement Award, presented by the Daedalian Foundation, has been presented to a graduate of Undergraduate Pilot Training at Reese for the first time in more than two years.

Second Lt. Ronald F. Klemm, a graduate in October of Class 70-02, is currently assigned to the Alaska National Guard as a Fairchild C-123 Provider pilot.

While at Reese, Lieutenant Klemm earned the Flying Training award and Commander's Cup for overall excellence. He ranked as the number one student overall, number one in flying training and number two in academics.

In nominating Lieutenant Klemm for the award, Col. Clyde J. Morganti, 3500th Pilot Training Wing commander, said, "This young officer has accumulated such an extraordinary aviation background, which is incomparable to any I have encountered during the past two years, that unequivocally entitles him to compete for the Orville Wright Achievement Award. His proficiency and dedication and adeptness at all facets of flying, academic excellence and sincere dedication to the mission of the U.S. Air Force are exemplified throughout his biography."

Amassing more than 4,000 flying hours, Lieutenant Klemm has been associated with flight most of his life. He has worked as a flight instructor and studied aircraft designing at the Academy of Aeronautics, La Guardia Airport, New York. He built fully operational mock-ups of the electrical systems of the Grumman Gulfstream for pilot training. While a student at the University of Alaska, Lieutenant Klemm was given the authority of pilot examiner by the Federal Aviation Agency. He has constructed and rebuilt several planes, the latest

an experimental biplane built in the wood hobby shop at Reese.

In January 1968, Lieutenant Klemm teamed up with two other men and founded the Fort Yukon Air Service, serving all of Alaska. The firm operates out of Fairbanks as well as Fort Yukon, located on the Yukon River 130 miles to the north of the Arctic Circle. The company's fleet contains eight aircraft, and operates aircraft on wheels and floats in the summer season while being equipped with skis during the winter months. Ten island villages along the Yukon River depend upon them throughout the year for their mail and connection with the outside world.

Statistics Serve To Encourage Highway Safety

Seven Air Force people died in private motor vehicle accidents over the long Thanksgiving holiday weekend.

The toll severely jolted Air Force's goal for a record low safety year in highway deaths. Safety officials held hope of less than 300 fatalities from private motor vehicle accidents for the first time.

Toward this goal Air Force implemented its annual Holidays from Danger safety campaign on Nov. 26. Continuing through Christmas and New Year's Day, the campaign ends Jan. 4.

Air Force forecast 24 Air Force deaths in private auto accidents during this period, eight less than were killed during last year's holiday campaign. Prior to Thanksgiving, Air Force deaths from automobile accidents were 25 per cent below last year's figures.

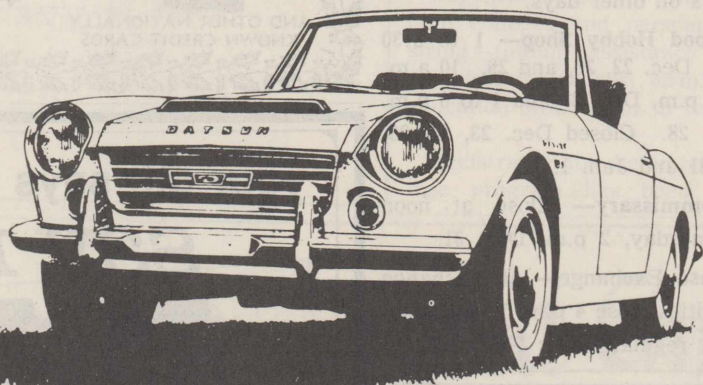
The Thanksgiving highway deaths must serve as a grim reminder to other Air Force members. More Air Force people die in traffic accidents from Thanksgiving through New Year's Day than at any other period of the year.

Decreasing daylight hours, poor road conditions, crowded highways and holiday celebrations contribute to the toll, according to safety experts.

While chances are remote that the Air Force can attain its sub-300 goal for the year, the possibility of staying below 1967's all-time low figure of 350 deaths is more favorable. Each Air Force member has a stake in this effort—his life. (AFNS)

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FAMILY SERVICES—Two 250-hour guards were presented to Mmes. Gary McDaniel (left) and Carl Kovacs (center) during the Family Services monthly board meeting Dec. 8. Also presented was a Family Service uniform to Mrs. Francis DeWendt. (U.S. Air Force Photo By Sgt. David Blenkhorn)

Personnel Services Schedule Activities For Holiday Period

Personnel Services will operate on the following schedules over the Christmas-New Year holiday period.

Auto Hobby Shop— 1 to 8:30 p.m. Dec. 22, 26 and 29. 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Dec. 27 and 28. The shop will be closed Dec. 23, 24, 25, 30, 31 and Jan. 1.

Bowling Alley— 10 a.m. to 11 p.m. Dec. 22, 23, 26, 27, 29 and 30; 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Dec. 24 and 31; 5 to 11 p.m. Jan. 1 and closed Dec. 25.

Education Office— Regular duty hours except for Christmas and New Year's day when it will be closed.

Golf Course— Closed Christmas and New Year's day, otherwise normal schedule.

Gymnasium— Regular schedule, closed Christmas and New Year's day.

Library— 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Dec. 24 and 31, closed Christmas and New Year's day. Regular schedule on other days.

Nursery— 7:45 a.m. to 6 p.m. Dec. 24 and 7:45 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Dec. 31, closed Christmas and New Year's day, Regular schedule on other days.

Service Club— Noon to 8 p.m. Christmas and New Year's day, 2 to 11 p.m. Dec. 31, regular hours on other days.

Wood Hobby Shop— 1 to 8:30 p.m. Dec. 22, 26, and 29. 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Dec. 27 and 1 to 6 p.m. Dec. 28. Closed Dec. 23, 24, 25, 30, 31 and Jan. 1.

Commissary— Close at noon Wednesday, 2 p.m. Dec. 31.

Base Exchange— All exchange facilities close 4 p.m. Wednesday, open regular hours Friday.

Youth Center— Regular hours except on Dec. 24 and 31, from 2 to 5 p.m. Closed Christmas and New Year's day.

Personnel Services Supply— 8 to 9 a.m. Dec. 22, 23, 24, 26, 29, 30 and 31. Closed Dec. 25, 27, 28 and Jan. 1.

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NCO Wives Club Sponsors Christmas Party, Santa Visits

By Mrs. Wayne Upshaw
Publicity Chairman

The NCO Wives Club will sponsor a Christmas party and dinner for members and guests tomorrow at the NCO Open Mess. Cocktails will be served at 7 p.m. with dinner served at 8 p.m.

Also, those persons wishing to make reservations for Santa Claus visits sponsored by the NCO Wives Club should contact Mrs. Janet Zimmerman, 885-4647, or Mrs. Fred Schulz, 885-2114. A charge of \$1 per family must be paid in advance and the visits are slated for Sunday, Monday and Tuesday evenings.

The club will start the new year by holding the monthly board meeting Jan. 5. Beginning 7:30 p.m. at the Family Services

Center. The meeting will be the last for this term of officers and all officers of the club are urged to attend.

Tech ROTC Plans Clothing, Toy Drive

The Arnold Air Society of the Texas Tech University Reserve Officers Training Corps is sponsoring a clothing drive for Montagnard children in the Republic of Vietnam.

Items desired are clothing for children of all ages and uncomplicated toys, preferable of a non-breakable nature. The collection box of the drive is located in the chapel annex and is slated to continue through January.

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SPEED READER—SMSgt. James E. Crisp, NCOIC management procedure section of 3500th Supply Squadron, demonstrates the technique he learned through the speed reading course offered by the education office. Sergeant Crisp began the course reading 238 words per minute with 70 per cent comprehension, and now reads 1,068 words per minute, 80 per cent comprehension. The next course begins Jan. 5. (U.S. Air Force Photo By Sgt. David Blenkhorn)

College Semester Schedules Available At Education Office

Schedules for the spring semester on campus at South Plains College and Texas Tech University are available in the education office. Registration begins Jan. 12 at both colleges and personnel desiring tuition assistance must complete the request form in the education office prior to registration. Registration for the on-base college program has been slated Jan. 5 through Jan 16 with classes scheduled to begin Jan. 26. Class meeting schedules and descriptions of courses to be offered are available in the education office. Personnel interested in taking a course on base should register as early as possible in order to determine which classes will be established. Students will not have to pay their part of the tuition until the class has been officially established.

Base Theater Slates Week's Movie Marquee

"Dayton's Devils," starring Rory Calhoun, Lainie Kazan and Leslie Nielsen, is slated as tonight's feature at the base theater. The action adventure concerns a band of adventurers who plan to rob a military payroll. The feature is suggested for mature audiences.

Tomorrow's matinee features Herman's Hermits in "Hold On." Vincent Price and Christopher Lee star in tomorrow evening's movie, "The Oblong Box." Edgar Allan Poe's classic suspense drama is suggested for mature audiences.

The story of the heroic special forces, "The Green Berets" is Sunday's feature. The movie stars John Wayne and David Janssen and is rated for mature viewing.

Tuesday's feature stars Elvis Presley in "Charro!" The western adventure is suggested for general audiences.

"Hot Millions," starring Peter Ustinov and Karl Malden is scheduled as Wednesday's movie. The comedy is suggested for family audiences.

Andy Griffith and Jerry Van Dyke star in Thursday's comedy, "Angel In My Pocket." The movie is rated for general viewing.

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1969 Proves Busy Year For Construction At Reese

The Reese AFB Civil Engineering Division is looking back on 1969 as one of its busiest years in the field of maintenance and construction at the base.

In the military construction program, six facilities were completed and accepted for use by the using agencies. These included a 200-man dormitory, a 29,352 square-foot academic classroom building, a 19,775 square-foot flight training facility, a new air traffic control tower, a 4,104 square-foot flight simulator training addition, and a 1,471 square-foot facility to support a fire deluge system in the Building 82 hangar.

Also included in the military construction program was the approval for construction of a composite medical facility. This project, now under construction, is scheduled for completion in the latter part of 1970.

A project under the control of the Texas Highway Department directly effecting the base calls for widening of Spur 309 (War Highway) from Fourth Street to 19th Street. The anticipated completion date for this

project is the early to middle part of 1970.

The immediate future looks bright for military construction on the base. The basis is four projects approved for Fiscal Year 1970. These projects consist of a 10-stall fire station, an addition to Building 59—the Shop Aircraft General Purpose, a new chapel and a data processing plant.

In the operation and maintenance contract program, which is designed and inspected by the base Civil Engineering Division, improvements have been accomplished with expenditure of funds in excess of three-quarters of a million dollars. These contract projects included, as a minimum, such items as repairing of airfield taxiways and runways, replacing a portion of the concrete apron, seal coating of the base streets and upgrading of the electrical requirements in the housing area.

In addition, in-house labor forces accomplished extremely valuable service in its day-to-day operation in the repair and maintenance area.

The completion of the new facilities and upgrading of existing ones have allowed the base to dispose of 30 buildings during the year. These buildings had ranged in usage from dormitories to administrative and classroom facilities.

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Officials Announce Increase For Commuted Ration Rate

WASHINGTON (AFNS) — Inflation will send the commuted ration rate for enlisted servicemen to a record high \$1.39, effective Jan. 1, the Department of Defense announced.

The seven-cent increase over the present rate will affect about one million servicemen who are authorized commuted rations in lieu of eating without charge in military dining halls.

No change was made in the \$2.57 rate, paid to men where no dining facility is available or to the \$3.42 rate for cost of meals under emergency conditions.

The change will increase the price of dining hall meals to

\$1.40 a day, an eight-cent increase over present rates. Cost of flight lunches also will be increased accordingly, officials stated.

The present commuted ration rate was set Jan. 1, 1967, when it was increased from \$1.30.

Service Club Schedules Free Calls To Home

Today — Unaccompanied military personnel will be assisted with their gift wrapping through the next four days; ceramics, 9:30 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.; ceramics will be discontinued until Jan. 2.

Tomorrow — Table games, 2 p.m.; ping pong tourney, 7 p.m.

Sunday — Coffee call, 2 p.m.; dance with the Traveling Salesmen, 8 p.m.

Monday — Game night, 8 p.m.

Tuesday — Christmas party, 7:30 with home-made cookies and hot apple cider around the fireplace.

Wednesday — Drawing for free call home at 8 p.m.; draw a gift from the Christmas tree, 8 p.m.

Thursday — Coffee call, noon; free call home drawing, 4 p.m.

NCO Open Mess Plans New Year's Eve Party, Buffet

The Reese AFB NCO Open Mess is planning a gala New Year's eve party Dec. 31 complete with two bands, a buffet and 1:30 a.m. breakfast.

Those planning to attend must make reservations for tables and — if they desire — the buffet by Dec. 26. Most of the tables will seat four, but a few six-place settings are available. The \$2 per person charge will include the breakfast—scrambled eggs, ham or bacon, hot corn muffins and coffee.

The buffet will be separate and will start at 7 p.m. Charge will be \$1.75 per person and will feature steamship round au jus, delmonico potatoes, vegetable, hot rolls and butter and coffee.

Two bands will play for the New Year's eve affair. Doc Jones will be the popular band in the ballroom and The Premiers will be the rock and roll band in the rocker room. The music will begin at 9 p.m.

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Tonight at the open mess, The Premiers are scheduled to entertain and tomorrow The Living Us will perform.



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Reese Hoopsters Win Pair From Cannonites

The Reese Rattlers basketball team handed its head coach, Howard Lofland, a Christmas present this past weekend in the form of a double win over Cannon AFB, N.M.

The Reesites turned in a team effort in disposing of an old foe Saturday by a score of 91-85 and Sunday by a score of 88-81. Odell King led the Rattler attack both days, scoring 20 points each game. Wallace King was close behind with 19 points each night. Edward Lindsey scored 15 points Saturday and 19 on Sunday. Willie Holmes scored 10 points Saturday and Roscoe Lee 10 on Sunday to show the fans one of the best balanced attacks in two years at Reese.

It was the third win of the infant season for the Reesites. Previously they had beaten Second Baptist Church of Lubbock, which apparently marked the turning point of the winless Rattlers. The Reesites then lost two games to Cannon following that win, but obviously were buoyed by the win. This was climaxed when the Rattlers avenged that double-loss to Cannon last weekend.

There is tougher—much tougher—competition coming up for Reese in its next outing. The comes Jan. 10-11 when they meet the potent Sheppard AFB, Tex., team in the base gym. Despite the fact that only one member of last year's team is still around, the drubbings Reese took at the hands of Sheppard last year are



still remembered well. Watch the games, then turn out and support daily bulletin for times of these the team.



By Jim Comeaux

As you were promised last week, dear readers, comes now that tense moment when the predictions of 1970 are revealed to one and all. To those of you who remember last year's predictions and how uncanny they came true, I say this is not all blind luck. No indeed. These predictions are the accumulation of years of observation, a crystal ball once owned by Crisswell and a ouija board passed down through the years from father to son in the family of Jim Avery, a noted seer at Reese AFB.

We will start with the easy ones and work up. First, the Reese AFB basketball team will win the Air Training Command title, then Air Force wide, and then the All-Service crown. Coach Howard Lofland will then challenge the New York Knickerbockers to an exhibition game in the base gym.

The Reese AFB first annual "Good Sportsman" award will be presented to Ken Hyde next fall during the halftime of the Air Base Group-Student Squadron flag football game. The presentation will be made by Major Walton.

In bowling, I predict that there will not be one single malfunction of pin-setting equipment at the Reese Lanes during 1970. I further predict that it will be discovered that Bert Soule has been using a ball equipped with invisible rods on the sides, and once having been discovered, his average will drop to a 102.

In golf, a new nine holes will be added to the course where the taxiway strips are now. A new Air Training Command regulation

will forbid slices or hooks on all ATC courses. The Reese course will win "The Most Beautiful Course in the Air Force" plaque for 1970. And, the Reese Golf Council will lower green fees.

Individually in golf, Tony Laurie will make a New Year's resolution never to swear on the golf course again. Hal Brock will swear off the grape. Both Laurie and Brock will play in the second flight of the Reese Invitational. Bill Hubbard will beat out Jamie Gough in the championship flight of that tournament. Troy Gann will make it through the entire year with only one set of golf clubs.

Walt Jones will be awarded "The Most Graceful" golfer on the course for the year. "Doc" Dougherty will finally buy a putter. The first annual "Good Loser" trophy will go to Chuck Gaylord. Billy Bailey will announce his turning pro and launch a vigorous campaign to be awarded the "Orville Moody" award. Orville Moody will reenlist at Reese AFB and be assigned to Field Maintenance.

In an unprecedented move, Larry Stoll will be elected president of the Ladies Golf Association. Flo McGuire will formally open a bookie joint on the patio during the football season. And, Shirley Elliff will tire of intentionally losing to John and beat him, thereby jeopardizing a long-standing romance.

The title of longest club thrower, once held by L. D. Clopton, will pass to the perennial runner-up, Bill Pierce. Dick Davis will be voted the man most likely to succeed in golf. "Commander Sander's" hamburger joint will be awarded the snack bar concession at the golf course for 1970. Dave Robinson will play the entire year with the same exed-out Maxfli. Elmer Martin will take the fifth.

Well, there you are. A few things to look forward to for 1970. In the meanwhile, may all of you dear readers have a merry Christmas and a happy and prosperous New Year.

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SAFETY CONTEST—Three members of the Lubbock Citizens Traffic Commission (CTC) judged the squadron safety contest at Reese AFB Monday. From the left are Milo Johonnett of the base Safety Division, Joe Kelly, Dr. W. W. Lundberg and David Collier of the CTC. They are looking over the entry of the 3500th USAF Hospital which was awarded second place. First place went to the 3501st Student Squadron and third to Organizational Maintenance Squadron. (U.S. Air Force Photo)

In Squadron Display, Slogans

Base Safety Contest Winners Announced

Weeks of effort and planning paid off for the 3501st Student Squadron and a top Reese AFB non-commissioned officer Monday as winners in the 1969 Holidays From Danger safety campaign were announced.

The Student Squadron was judged as having the best squadron display in the annual display contest and MSgt. Julian H. Hyde, chief of administrative section, Personnel Division, was judged the winner in the slogan contest.

Three top members of the Lubbock Citizens Traffic Commission, David Collier, president, Dr. W. W. Lundberg, a member, and Joe Kelly, executive secretary, judged both of the contests. They began at 9 a.m. Monday and toured the base looking over the squadron displays. They picked Student Squadron's entry, located in front of the squadron, which features a moving Santa Claus and is entitled "Safety Is An At-

titude". Second place went to the 3500th USAF Hospital (see picture above) and third place to the 3500th Organizational Maintenance Squadron. Receiving honorable mention were three other units, the 3500th and 3501st Pilot Training Squadrons and the 3500th Field Maintenance Squadron.

Simultaneously, the judges announced the winners in the intersection slogan contest which has been tied in with the campaign. In winning first place, Sergeant Hyde submitted the entry, "If

while you drive." For his effort Sergeant Hyde will be awarded a \$25 U.S. Savings Bond. Second place went to AIC Larry Ryals, Air Base Group, whose entry was "Approach a crossroads with added care. Of approaching cars you'd best beware." He will receive a front-end job on his car. Third place, a pen set, went to Capt. Daniel Habura of the 3501st Student Squadron for the entry, "Your Mission Possible — don't self-destruct at intersections." All are due to receive theater passes from the Fox Theater in Lubbock.

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CHRISTMAS SPIRIT—SSgt. Marvin Helms, wing disaster control section, works on one of the eight baby cribs he has repaired for the Family Services lending closet. Sergeant Helms has volunteered part of his off-duty time during the past two weeks in working on the cribs. (U.S. Air Force Photo By Sgt. Michael Wissman)

Civil Air Patrol Brightens Christmas For Indian Tribes

MAXWELL AFB, Ala. (AFNS) 14 tons were collected and donated to Indians in Arizona, members of Civil Air Patrol's Peninsula Group Two in the Santa Clara area are again keying this year's effort.

CAP Capt. John Layne, said that about 300,000 canned goods had been collected during a three-day drive among Santa Clara County school children.

Airlift of contributions to Arizona and South Dakota began Sunday from Moffett Field, Calif., with designated drops at Yuma, Tucson, Winslow and Phoenix, in Arizona, and Pierre, S.D. Contributions will be trucked to reservations in California. Arizona will receive about 30 tons, while California and South Dakota tribes will each receive 10 tons.

Hospital Gets Trees From Lions Club

The 3500th USAF Hospital has received five Christmas trees from the Red Bud Lions Club of Lubbock and have been placed in wards of the hospital for patients.

The presentation was made last week by J. T. Martin, in charge of the club's Christmas tree sales.

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Aeromedical Evacuation

Ailing Soviet Sailors Receive Help Through Mercy Flights

HICKAM AFB, Hawaii (AFNS) —Thousands of people around the world have been rescued through the lifesaving skills of Air Force aeromedical evacuation personnel. Stories of their mercy flights are legend.

Seldom, however, is one nation so indebted to the Military Airlift Command organization as was the Soviet Union early this month. Within 10 days, three Russians

aboard Soviet vessels in the mid-Pacific were provided emergency medical care and airlifted to a Honolulu hospital.

A MAC C-141 Starlifter, which frequently converts from a cargo aircraft to an aeromedical evacuation jet, was the first to respond to a Soviet request for assistance.

En route from Yokota AB, Japan, to Hickman AFB on a cargo mission, the Starlifter was diverted to the Midway Islands.

Maria Kachaeva had become ill on the Russian trawler Pogranichnik Strelinkov off Midway. Removed to medical facilities on the island, she was found to be suffering from peritonitis. Transfer to Hawaii was directed.

Capt. Burman L. Hallford and his C-141 crew from Travis AFB, Calif., completed the mercy flight to Hickam AFB where Miss Kachaeva was taken to Honolulu's Queen's Medical Center.

A second Russian woman, from the trawler Aralsk, was treated at Midway and was moved to Honolulu a few days later on a scheduled Air Force air-evac mission.

Seaman Shakov Grigory Nikiforovich, also from the Aralsk, became ill after the ship had moved into international waters about 400 miles from Midway.

After an exchange of information regarding the seaman's condition, Midway rescue personnel agreed to effect a pickup. The trawler sailed toward Midway and a rescue helicopter rendezvoused with the ship 10 miles off shore.

An examination at the Midway dispensary revealed an abdominal block that required medical attention beyond the capability of the dispensary.

Navy officials called on the MAC's 10th Aeromedical Evacuation Group which airlifted the seaman to Hickam AFB and transfer to the Queen's Medical Center.

Hospital officials reported all members of the Russian Colony are responding well to treatment.



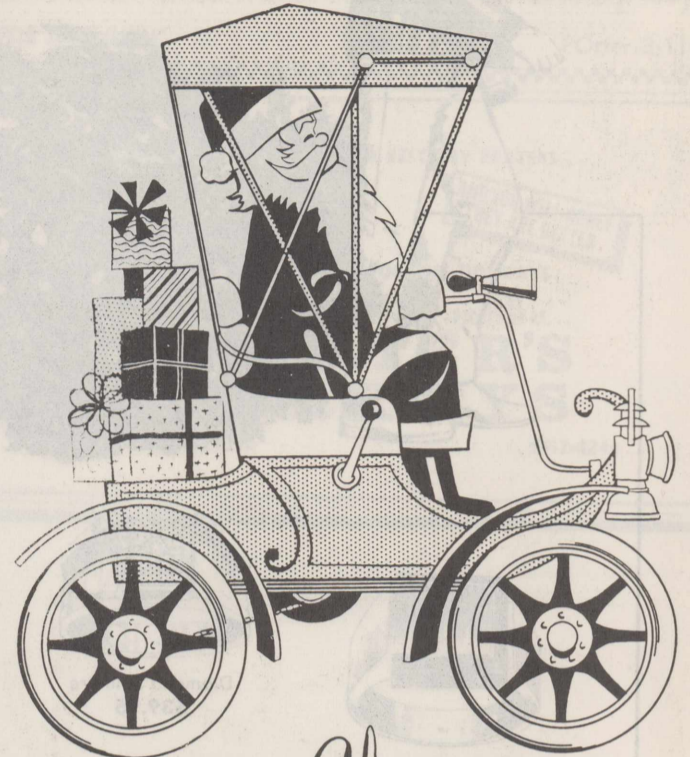
STRETCH YOUR BREAK — Holiday travelers will be safer if they stop for coffee breaks, says Secretary of Transportation John Volpe. If all the waitresses look like this, the holiday season should be a safe one! Some 15,000 restaurants are cooperating in the National Coffee Safety Stop Program.

Rocket History Traced

Dr. Robert H. Goddard, American rocket pioneer, fired several rocket devices (including an intermittent-firing, long range rocket and a projectile, bazooka-type rocket) Nov. 10, 1918, before representatives of the Signal Corps, Air Service, Army Ordnance, and others at Aberdeen Proving Ground, Md.

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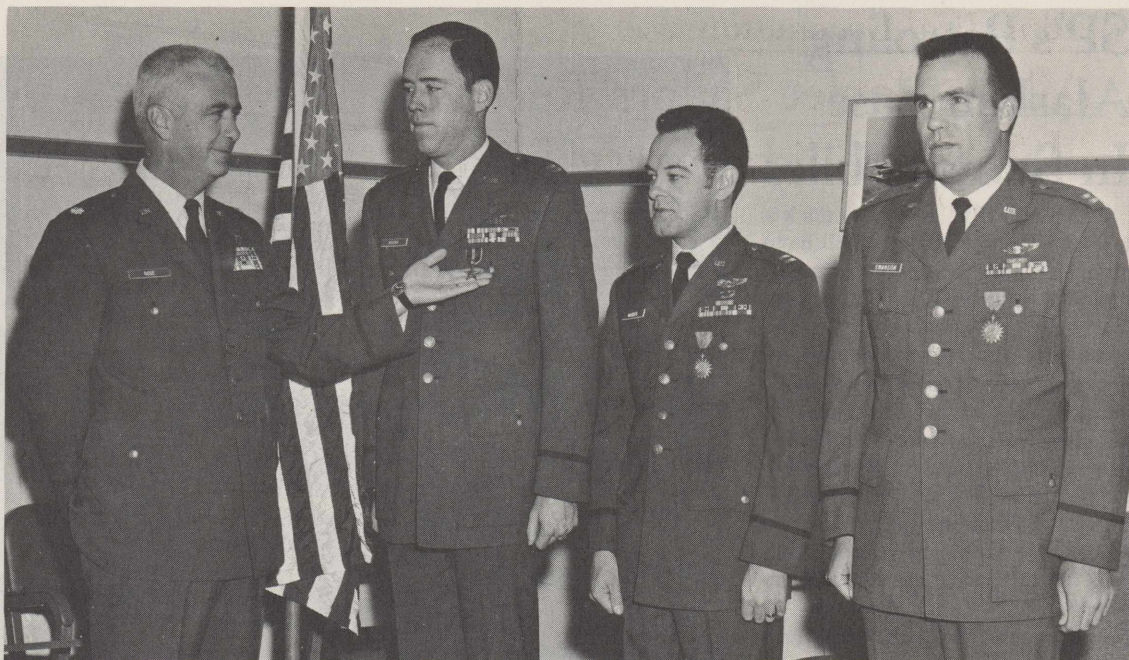
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MEDAL AWARDS—Lt. Col. Charles K. Rose III, 3500th Pilot Training Squadron commander (left), handed out medals to three of his instructor pilots in ceremonies Dec. 9 in Colonel Rose's office. From the left are Captains Jamie Gough III, who received the Bronze Star Medal, Brian D. Mauden, the 2nd through the 9th Oak Leaf Clusters to the Air Medal; and George P. Swanson, the 1st through the 10th Oak Leaf Clusters to the Air Medal. (U.S. Air Force Photo By Sgt. Larry Kerr)

For Civil Servie Employees

Premiums To Decrease

WASHINGTON (AFNS)—March has been declared open season month for regular and optional life insurance for civil service employees. For more than 300,000 employees and annuitants who carry the \$10,000 optional life insurance, there will be a reduction in premiums. No change will be made in premium rates for holders of regular insurance policies. The open season permits eligible employees to gain regular or optional life insurance without a physical examination. The last open season accompanied the establishment of the optional life insurance program in 1967.

life insurance are based on the employee's age group. Premiums for regular insurance remains at 27½ cents per \$1,000 per biweekly pay periods, regardless of the employee's age. For employees under 35, the biweekly premium for \$10,000 optional life insurance will drop from \$3 to \$1.30; the monthly premium from \$6.50 to \$2.82. Similarly, the biweekly premium for those between 45-49 will decrease from \$6 to \$3.60; monthly, from \$13 to \$7.80. Other rates will be lowered proportionate with the age groups.

Civil Service Commission that scheduled January premium increases for optional insurance for those who reached ages 35 or 55 this year have been canceled. Instead, lower premium rates will be offered those people effective April 1.

The cost of regular insurance is shared by the employee and the Government, which pays one third of the premium. Amounts range from \$10,000 to \$45,000.

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CWA, working in conjunction with the United Services Organization, will offer calls in two ways. Selected families in the United States will be contacted by union representatives and advised to have servicemen place collect calls which will be paid for by the union.


Other calls will originate overseas where USO clubs will select servicemen for the calls to be paid for by CWA. Advance notification will be given families when to expect the calls.

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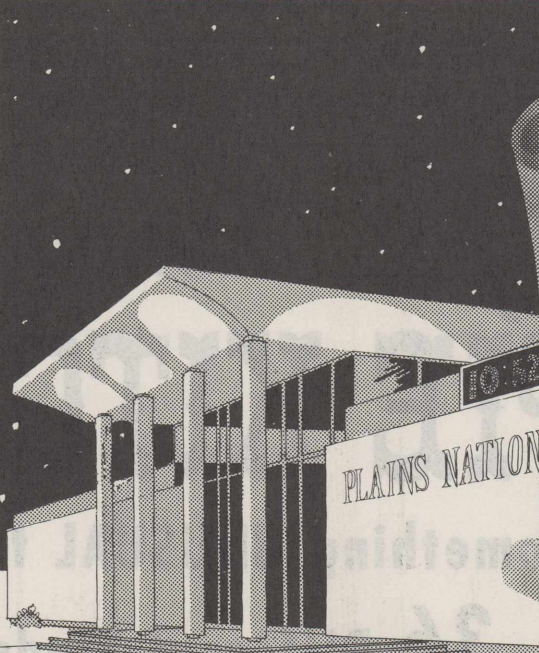
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"Our main reason for establishing a snowmobile patrol is the safety of snowmobile operators and other personnel in Elmendorf," said Capt. Thomas W. Moore, security police operations officer.

The security policemen will concentrate on preventing safety violations which could result in serious injuries to snowmobilers, their passengers or others. These include reckless operation, excessive speed in the housing areas, snowmobilers and passengers not wearing approved helmets with chin straps, and failure to use proper tow-bars when towing any type of sliding carriers. The snow patrol will also enforce state registration requirements.



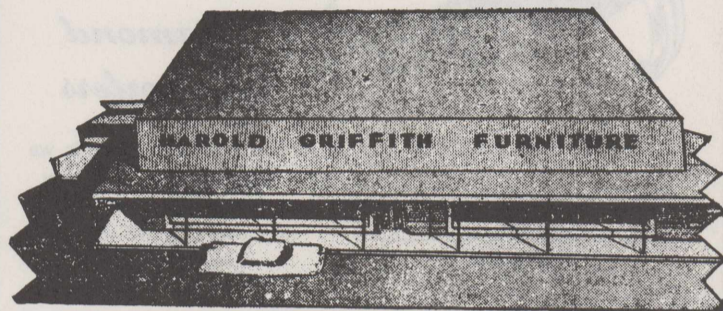
SAINT NICK—Some 250 children, including 83 from the Buckner Baptist Children's Home in Lubbock, were thrilled at the sight of Santa Claus coming down the aisle of the base theater Saturday as the base held its annual Christmas party. Earlier, he had landed at the base operations in a helicopter. Candy and favors were passed out, and the children treated to a show of clowns, dancers and a magician. (U.S. Air Force Photo By Sgt. Larry Kerr)

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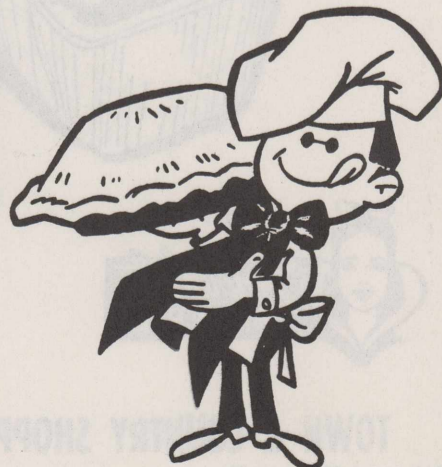
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