

Reese Responds With Disaster Relief

"I would like to thank in particular the help rendered by Texas Tech students and by Reese Air Force Base during Monday's disaster."

The words were by Lubbock City Councilman Deaton Rigby during a one-hour special television show on K-C-B-D T-V (Channel 11) Sunday (May 17) which recapped a week in Lubbock that started out with a disastrous tornado, the aftermath of which will be felt for months

—perhaps years— in the South Plains area.

That tornado—some say it was a cluster of them—dipped down from a massive storm cloud at 9:37 p.m. May 11, and in the brief span of minutes left a total of 24 persons dead, nearly 600 injured and property damage estimated at \$135 million in its wake.

Reese Escapes Damage

At Reese, some high winds swept the base, but not nearly

enough to give an inkling of the tragedy being enacted a mere 12 miles to the east. The Reese command post was alerted a bare three minutes after the first alarm. Capt. Allan Cummings, disaster control officer and Amn. Pete Collins, command post controller, immediately sped to the Emergency Operating Center (EOC) located in the basement of the then damaged city hall. They set up a mobile transmitter outside city hall, and quickly es-

tablished communications with the command post at Reese. For the next 48 hours, these two men and Maj. Robert F. Walton, chief, operations plans branch, and SSgt. Marvin Helms, disaster control NCO, were continuously on duty either at the EOC or the Reese command post acting as liaison and coordinating Reese efforts in helping the stricken city.

Wing Commander Takes Over

Col. Clyde J. Morganti, 3500th Pilot Training Wing commander, was immediately notified of the disaster, and he took personal charge of the Reese operation. Tuesday morning, with the first light of day, Colonel Morganti made his preliminary inspection of the damage from an HH-43 Huskie provided by Detachment 13, Western Aerospace Rescue and Recovery Center, the first of many flights provided by this detachment in providing government officials, civil defense officials and military people the opportunity to make an accurate estimate of the damage from the air.

Colonel Morganti issued instructions at a specially called staff meeting Tuesday morning for the base to extend its full capabilities, acting within its legal limits, to provide any and all help requested by those officials in charge of emergency actions. The colonel further called on volunteers from base organizations such as Red Cross volunteers, Family Service volunteers, wives clubs, open messes and others to provide help to both Reese people affected by the tornado and those in the community.

T-41 Program Hard Hit

While the base itself suffered no damage from the tornado, it still incurred considerable loss through its T-41 program which is conducted on the east side of the West Texas Air Terminal which was hard hit by the tornado. Maj. Ronald Gauger, chief of T-41 training, had rushed to the airport on hearing the initial reports of the tornado and was caught on Loop 289 when it struck that area. His car was

severely damaged, and he barely escaped death or serious injury. Fourteen of the 20 T-41 planes were destroyed, with three badly in need of major repair. Most of the demolished planes have been brought to Reese for security and salvage of parts, but others will be needed in order to resume the T-41 program.

Reesites Escape Serious Injury

Many Reesites live in downtown Lubbock, and they luckily escaped serious injury. Some, however, had their homes severely damaged or destroyed. Within hours after the catastrophe, Colonel Morganti instructed all division chiefs at Reese to begin an immediate head-count, and if necessary to seek out in person all those for whom they could not account. This was done, and the necessary assistance provided.

Most of those living in the downtown area quickly realized the full extent of the disaster and immediately went into action. Many believe the first word of the catastrophe to reach the outside world was through the facilities of a mobile ham radio operated by 2nd Lt. Richard Williams, a member of Class 71-01, who was aided by Capt. John Dice, base Supply Although Lieutenant Williams' car was badly damaged, he fired up his radio and broadcast a call for help to such places as Dallas and Austin. Both gave a vivid description of the damage to news media, using the same radio, in those same cities. Both men worked through the night, aiding where they could. Daylight found Captain Dice and a Texas Tech student directing traffic, aiding a beleaguered Lubbock Police Department.

Reesites Get Involved

The stories of individual efforts of Reesites at the height of the disaster are too numerous to mention. An estimate made by those collecting those stories place the figure at nearly a hundred where military and civilians at Reese personally involved themselves in rescue and recovery operations—and there must have been hundreds of others unreported. Moreover, during the week of the tragedy, all Reese personnel who could be released without serious effect on the mission, were released to perform volunteer assistance duties.

At the base, the storm had knocked out all outside telephone lines, leaving the base one lone contact with the outside world—the Military Affiliated Radio System, known as MARS, operated
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WAPS Results Show Eligibles For Promotions

One hundred ninety-four Reesites are included among those selected for promotion in the first selection under the new weighted airman promotion system (WAPS), according to local personnel officials.

According to an Air Force News Service release, 57,286 selections to the grades of sergeant through master sergeant were made Air Force-wide. First increments from each of the grades will be effective June 1.

Personnel officials expressed general satisfaction with the first WAPS cycle which replaces the "whole-man concept" for promotion of enlisted men. The selections, which were made from 276,892 airmen, are equitable with previous fiscal year 1970 quotas.

Most noteworthy change in the promotion system is the score notice provided each nonselectee following the selection process. The individual is provided with a computerized report card showing how he fared in each of the point categories, his point total and the point total of the last man selected for promotion in his grade.

While most of the score notices were distributed at the same time the selection list was made public, the goal is to assure delivery to each man by June 1. About 5 per cent of the eligibles received a letter on May 15 advising them that because of incomplete or late date, they were not considered for promotion. These airmen will be considered by a supplemental board in June.

Selections to sergeant will be effected in monthly increments through September; to staff sergeant through November; and to tech and master sergeants through January. Eventually the staggered alignment will provide semiannual selections in each of the four grades. Selections to senior and chief will continue to be made annually.



EMERGENCY CONFERENCE—Reese AFB Wing Commander Col. Clyde J. Morganti confers with Lubbock City Manager Bill Blackwell at the Emergency Operating Center following the tornado disaster that struck Lubbock May 11. Colonel Morganti offered the city all available help from Reese AFB. See story this page. (U.S. Air Force Photo)

59 Will Get Silver Wings

Fifty-nine student pilots of Class 70-07, including three U. S. Marine Corps students and three foreign students, are scheduled to be presented pilot's wings in graduation ceremonies Wednesday, 10:30 a.m., at the base theater.

The guest speaker for the occasion had not been announced as of the Roundup's deadline.

Those Marine officers to graduate are 1st Lt. John A. Hufsmith Jr., 2nd Lt. Patrick T. Cassidy and 2nd Lt. Gary R. Morris. Foreign students include A/C Ali Foroughi, A/C Abdol-Hamd Ghotb, and A/C Ali-Akbar Hidarzadeh, all of the Imperial Iranian Air Force.

Other graduates include: Captains, Richard G. Cline, Kenneth C. Lord, Charles M. Niggemeyer, and Steven M. Nutter. Also, Second Lieutenants William E. Atwater, Otis A. Barge III, Richard H. Bottomley, Thomas R. Bria, Edward J. Burns III, Ronald E. Cabaniss, Francis B. Clements IV, Robert Cogliano,

Harvey A. Collins Jr. and William A. Cowgill.

Also, Second Lieutenants Paul A. Cronin, Clifton G. Cunningham, Ronald O. Dayton, Darrel J. Delong, Oscar R. Fallin, Robert C. Furr Jr., Robert F. Graf Jr., Duke H. Hancock III, Gary E. Hokanson, Charles D.

Hubert III, Alan J. Hutchings, Gordan A. Isachsen, Dallas J. Jones Jr., James A. Kidd Jr., Paul S. Kimmel, David H. Knapp and Kenneth W. Krohn.

More are Second Lieutenants Gene E. Lanier, Harold L. Lewis
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Pilots' Achievements Earn Squadrons' Honors

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According to Lt. Col. Charles K. Rose III, 3500th PTS commander, "Captain Nichols has

consistently demonstrated outstanding ability as a pilot and an instructor. His exceptional dedi-



Capt. Jay B. Nichols

and sincerity as an instructor have won him the admiration of all the students.

"He has the rare ability to tailor his instruction to a student's particular personality and training needs. Due to his approach to the duties as an instructor pilot, his ability, experience and flexibility of instruction, he creates in the students a strong desire to do their best work.

"Captain Nichols is an extremely professional officer who always completes any task with the desired results. He truly deserves

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FOR THE COMMANDER...



Col. Clyde J. Morganti
Wing Commander

Volunteer Disaster Work Is Praised

By Maj. Robert F. Walton

During the past two weeks, since the disaster occurred in downtown Lubbock, several hundred Reesites volunteered their assistance through the wing command post. We were able to coordinate this commendable effort and provide timely assistance where and when it was most needed.



Maj. R. F. Walton

Those of you who worked downtown among the homeless know how deeply your help was appreciated. Those who reported through the command post received our personal thanks and Godspeed. I would, in addition, like to take this opportunity to again express my thanks to you who "gave of yourself beyond the call of duty." To 2nd Lt. Richard Naumann, who spent all of his free time at Guadalupe; to 2nd Lt. Robin Gatwood; to 1st Lt. Jerry Goldstein for his personal efforts in providing, delivering, and serving food to Guadalupe Center and the Salvation Army; to Sergeants Roderick Dorsey, Michael Abbott, and Robert Perez, from the hospital, who drove vehicles night and day; to Sgt. James Shutt of the hospital; to Amn. Herbert Spurgeon, who was sent to distribute clothing all day Saturday, when all he really came into the building to do was sign in PCS fresh from Lackland. Thanks to Captains Jim Lawson, Terry Markle and 1st Lt. Lawrence Schenck from the 3501st Pilot Training Squadron; Captains Jack Teague and Milt Deerr from the student squadron, who provided relief in the command post handling the coordination. A special thanks to all the student pilots who reported from Classes 70-07, 71-01, 71-02, 71-03, 71-04, 71-05, 71-06 and especially 71-07. Class 71-01 found themselves out of work in the T-41 phase, so they volunteered a great deal of help every day. To the hospital, motor pool, commissary and supply for the equipment you so willingly provided; to all the officers and airmen from all organizations on the base whose names do not appear here—Thanks. You gentlemen have caused much favorable reflection upon yourself, Reese AFB and the U.S. Air Force.

My special appreciation to the command post staff, Captain Alan Cummings, SSgt. Marvin Helms, and Amn. Pete Collins. These men refused to sleep, and helped man the Lubbock Emergency Operations Center, providing the only communications link between Lubbock and Reese for 48 hours after the tornado.

I am sure there are many I have unintentionally omitted, but I am equally sure that the feeling you carry within yourself is more important than any thanks expressed in this column. To all of you who went down to help on your own I relay the personal gratitude of the city manager and council, the mayor, the Salvation Army, the Red Cross and Guadalupe Center. To those of you who have yet to volunteer—much help is still needed. Please come by the command post in wing headquarters. We will provide transportation if you need it.

Really and truly—thank you all. You have brought life to some old words, "Love Thy Neighbor."

Small Business Week Has Special Meaning

By Capt. Richard E. Sewell

This week has been proclaimed as Small Business Week by President Richard Nixon. During the week, small businesses across the nation were honored for their role in making the United States the strongest country in the world. If it were not for the initiative, resourcefulness, and production skills of this segment of our economy, our nation would not have made the many advancements which has given us the standard of living which we've all become accustomed to.

It is the declared policy of the Congress that the Government should aid, counsel, assist, and protect, insofar as is possible, the interests of these small business concerns in order to preserve the free competitive enterprise system, to insure that a fair proportion of the total purchases and contracts or subcontracts for property and services for the Government are placed with small business enterprises, to insure that a fair proportion of the total sales of Government property are made to such enterprises, and to maintain and strengthen the overall economy of

the Nation.

To accomplish the forementioned policies, the Small Business Administration was established in 1953 to advise and assist the nation's small business concerns. In assisting the Small Business Administration in accomplishing their goals, the Department of Defense (DoD) has developed six basic programs to assist small businesses. They are as follows:

1. Price Contractor Source Development and Utilization. Here there is a developing and listing of small business sources, and thereafter a utilizing of these sources for our procurement needs. The Air Force is assisted by the Small Business Administration through effective programs for referrals, surveys for certificates of competency and credit, loan programs, and the like.

2. Small Business and Labor Surplus Preference Activities. "Partial" and "total" set-asides for small business concerns are authorized by law. These "set-aside" actions are carried out by procurement officers in DoD agencies.

3. Sub-contracting Procedures

and Practices. Under this program, prime contractors must utilize the small business concerns in subcontracting. Special clauses are included in contracts which assure that prime contractors will utilize and assist small businesses.

4. Small Business and Labor Surplus Area Procurement Conferences. The Procurement Conference program is part of DoD's continuing effort to develop additional competitive sources to meet defense requirements. The conferences are designed to provide, in one location, a place for the businessman to become acquainted with the federal procurement and contract process.

5. Counsel and Assistance. This action involves the furnishing of information, the assisting in obtaining specifications and drawings, and the introduction to potential contracting opportunities.

6. Special Projects. These projects include those in which our small business expertise is of assistance. This includes the participation of the DoD in such activities as the President's Committee for the Rehabilitation of the Handicapped.

On The Line

Families Not Man-Made

Chaplain (Maj.) John A. Collins

Marriage is sacred for one basic reason: it is the golden frame of the family. And the family is something utterly apart, unique, alone in its class.

The family is not just a school where people go to be educated. The family is not a corporation formed to further business interests. Take any one of these groups and turn it over like an ash tray and you will find "Made by Man".

But the family is altogether

different. It was first molded by the fingers of the Almighty and stamped on it "Made by God". God did not make the Boston birdwatchers or the Notre Dame football team or the United Nations, but he did make the family. He made it in the garden of Eden when he made man. And He sanctified it in the cottage of Nazareth when He belonged to a family Himself.

Because a family, however, is made up of imperfect human beings, it needs outside help to live in reasonable harmony. And despite all our vaunted progress, it will never get this help from modern science. Science has rubbed its bubbling test-tube like Aladdin's lamp and worked with things in the house but it has never reached the people in the

home. Science has conquered steam, gas, electricity, even the atom, but it has not even touched temper or temperament or disposition or character or integrity or loyalty or love.

What will help is the grace of God. This is God's power assist. When you have that, you have a family whose members stand together like legs of a table, giving quiet mutual support; a family whose members are like floor lamps, each contributing its own brightness and cheer to the family circle; a family whose members are like window shades, loyally hiding family faults from a world.

The help of God is available... all we need to do is ask! We call it prayer!

Serviceman's Responsibility To Vote Is Vital In Primaries As Well As General Elections

Bad officials are elected by good citizens who do not vote.

—George Jean Nathan

This spring and summer each state has scheduled primary

elections to determine which candidates will be in the general elections Nov. 5.

Most states permit members of the armed forces and their

spouses to vote in primary elections by absentee ballot.

Unfortunately, far too many people ignore the primaries and vote only in the general elections. This is especially true in the military, where servicemen must take a little extra time to obtain an absentee ballot, thus facing problems not encountered by civilians at home.

Also a serviceman often does not have easy access to information about a candidate, issues and election dates.

But, military men and women can keep abreast, if they make the effort. Every base, every ship, whether overseas or in the United States, has a voting officer who can supply voting rules for your home state and that all-important Federal Postal Application Card (FPCA) to obtain an absentee ballot. The folks at home can send you a newspaper that spells out the local and state issues to be decided upon.

Sure, it takes a little extra time. But it is part of your responsibility as a member of the armed forces and an American citizen.

It is a small price to pay for a right that people have died to protect. Use it! (AFPS)

Defense Secretary Transmits Message On Bond Campaign

(Editor's Note: The following message was received from Secretary of Defense Melvin R. Laird concerning the current U.S. Savings Bond Campaign.)

"The U. S. Savings Bond Campaign will be held during the month of May. I wish to take this opportunity to express my thoughts on the Payroll Savings Plan and on U. S. Savings Bonds.

"As you know, Savings Bonds are now paying the highest rate of interest in their history, 5 per cent when held to maturity. They represent a sound means of saving for those who are able to

save only relatively small amounts at a time. Coupled with the Payroll Savings Plan the result is a systematic, regularized system of savings.

"I should also like to observe that in these times I believe the members of the Department of Defense, both military and civilian, should give special consideration to investing in our government. For most of us there is no better way to do this than through the U. S. Savings Bond Payroll Savings Plan.

"I request your particular support of this plan during the campaign and I urge that each member of the Department be contacted personally by knowledgeable campaign officials with a view toward counseling on the advantages of participating, or increasing participation in the U. S. Savings Bond Payroll Savings Plan."

S/Melvin R. Laird



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'Molly Maguires' Tops Theater Bill

Tonight's feature at the base theater will be the romantic drama "A Walk With Love And Death." The film stars John Huston, Assaf Dayan and Anjelica Huston and is rated GP, all ages admitted with parental discretion advised.

"Mission Mars" will be shown as tomorrow's matinee feature. Darrin McGavin and Nick Adams are starred in this fantastic adventure into the unknown. The movie carries an audience suitability rating of G, all ages admitted.

Tomorrow evening's feature will be "Pussycat, Pussycat, I Love You." Set in Rome, the jet-set comedy stars John Gavin and Ian McShane and is rated GP.

"Mosquito Squadron" will be featured at the theater Sunday. David McCallum stars in this story of a World War II bomber squadron assigned the near impossible task of wiping out German V-2 rocket installations in France. The film is rated G.

Tuesday's feature will be "The Games." This sports drama is billed as the spectacle behind

the spectacle as it explores the behind-the-scenes activities at the Olympic games in Rome. The film stars Ryan O'Neal, Charles Aznavour and Jeremy Kemp and is rated G.

"The Molly Maguires" will be featured Wednesday and Thursday evenings at the base theater. The GP-rated film features an all-star cast of Richard Harris, Sean Connery and Samantha Eggar in an action-packed drama about the secret society of Irish immigrant miners.

Pinkies Pantry Patter

By 2nd Lt. Robert E. Woerner

Why was 71-07 enjoying an unscheduled vacation this week instead of reporting to the flight line?

Well, "the answer, my friend, is blowin' in the wind." The tornado (or whatever that thing was) of May 11 damaged or destroyed all but three of our T-41s (those three were in the hanger).

Where do we go from here? Evidently those who have already soloed are finished with the T-41 program. The remaining 22 students must solo sometime this week.

Meanwhile, members of Class 70-07 have spent many hours in Lubbock helping with the distribution of food and clothing. Class participation in this work has been outstanding and will undoubtedly continue into the coming week for those finished with T-41 training.

Thus ends a most eventful week for Class 71-07. We hope we can escape further effects from that terrible ancient Chinese curse: "May you live in interesting times."



PRINCIPAL SPEAKER—Former Texas Attorney General Waggoner Carr, now a member of the Texas Tech University board of directors, left, holds a silver cup he had just been presented by Col. Clyde J. Morganti, wing commander, following Mr. Carr's speech at the Armed Forces Day luncheon Saturday at the Officers Open Mess. The luncheon highlighted an Armed Forces Day open house at the base that drew an estimated 4,000 visitors. (U.S. Air Force Photo)

Talon Talk

By 1st Lt. Wayne M. Schnell
Everyone was on his best behavior this week as Air Training Command arrived for its annual inspection. We all hope that those extra classes paid off.

Four new instructor pilots have reported for duty: Capt. John H. Stewart II, to H Flight; Capt. Michael D. Martin, to G Flight; Capt. Norman A. Hartley, to A Flight; and Capt. William D. Cooper, to D Flight. Welcome to the spook squadron!

Capt. Paul R. Wilson of check section is back from ferrying an F-5 to Morocco. He is sure to have a lot of war stories to relate to us less fortunates left behind.

Second Lt. Ronald W. Rounce is off to the country club of the Air Training Command for 10 weeks. We hope he enjoys the sun, sand, and paper mill while at Tyndall AFB, Fla.

Capt. Fredrick M. Beatty is now the father of twins; one boy and

one girl. This all came about May 9. His wife, Margie, must be just as proud as he is.

B Flight had a party Saturday. They drank an unknown liquid. It was confirmed that they consumed it, because they were still feeling the effects the next day.

The first two to solo in Class 71-03 were 2nd Lt. Laurel Lichtenburg and 2nd Lt. Charles Reed.

Two four-ship fly-bys were a part of Armed Forces Day ceremonies at Reese Saturday as the base opened its doors to the citizens of Lubbock. The fly-bys were led by Lt. Col. Charles K. Rose III and Lt. Col. Kyle C. Redwine.

Service Club Slates Week's Event Schedule

The Mathis Service Club has announced the following schedule of activities for the week:

Today—Play pool, ping pong and shuffleboard in the game room.

Tomorrow—Watch the baseball game of the week in color on TV; ping pong, 3 p.m.

Sunday—Coffee call and shuffleboard, 2 p.m.; pool and pinochle, 3 p.m.; watch sporting events in color on TV.

Monday—Ceramics, 9 a.m.; game night, 8 p.m.; game room open 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Tuesday—Ceramics (new molds available), 7 p.m.

Wednesday—Ceramics and table games, 7 p.m.

Thursday—Ceramics, 9 a.m.; game room open 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Suffolk County AFB Licensed

WASHINGTON (AFNS) — Air Force has issued on interim license to New York's County of Suffolk for use of facilities at the inactive Suffolk County AFB, not required by the New York Air National Guard. The license allows the county to develop the base for general aviation purposes.

Tweety Topics

By 1st Lt. Frank C. Chuba

The 3501st Pilot Training Squadron is the proud possessor of three new sergeants as a result of recent promotions. Congratulations are in order for SSgt. David J. Romero, Sgt. Gary L. Mitchell and Sgt. Johnnie Bryant.

In spite of bad weather, winds and tornados, Class 71-06 has pressed on to the milestone of initial solos. Capt. John Grant is credited with the first solo in F Flight. Captain Grant's instructor pilot is Capt. Leo B. Hunt. Just next door in C Flight, 2nd Lt. Douglas K. Goode, under the watchful eye of Capt. Kenneth L. Schweitzer, also slipped the surly bonds unassisted and is now entitled to wear the C Flight gold scarf.

A hearty thanks to all those Reese personnel whose contributions, hard work and humanitarian concern helped ease the plight of those stricken by the recent tornado . . . The squadron softball team won its first game in a terrific come-from-behind effort. After being down 7-0 in the second inning, they came on strong to defeat Field Maintenance, 11-8. The winning pitcher was Capt. Robert A. Nester . . . Capt. Gerald "Speedy" Gonzalez reports that scheduling will go on as scheduled . . . This week's quoteworthy quote: ". . . it's a great place to be if you've got a year on your hands and nothing else planned." . . . Last week's quote was by none other than Capt. Sandor Babos.

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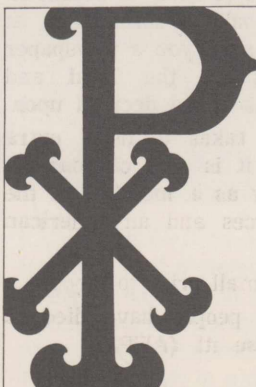
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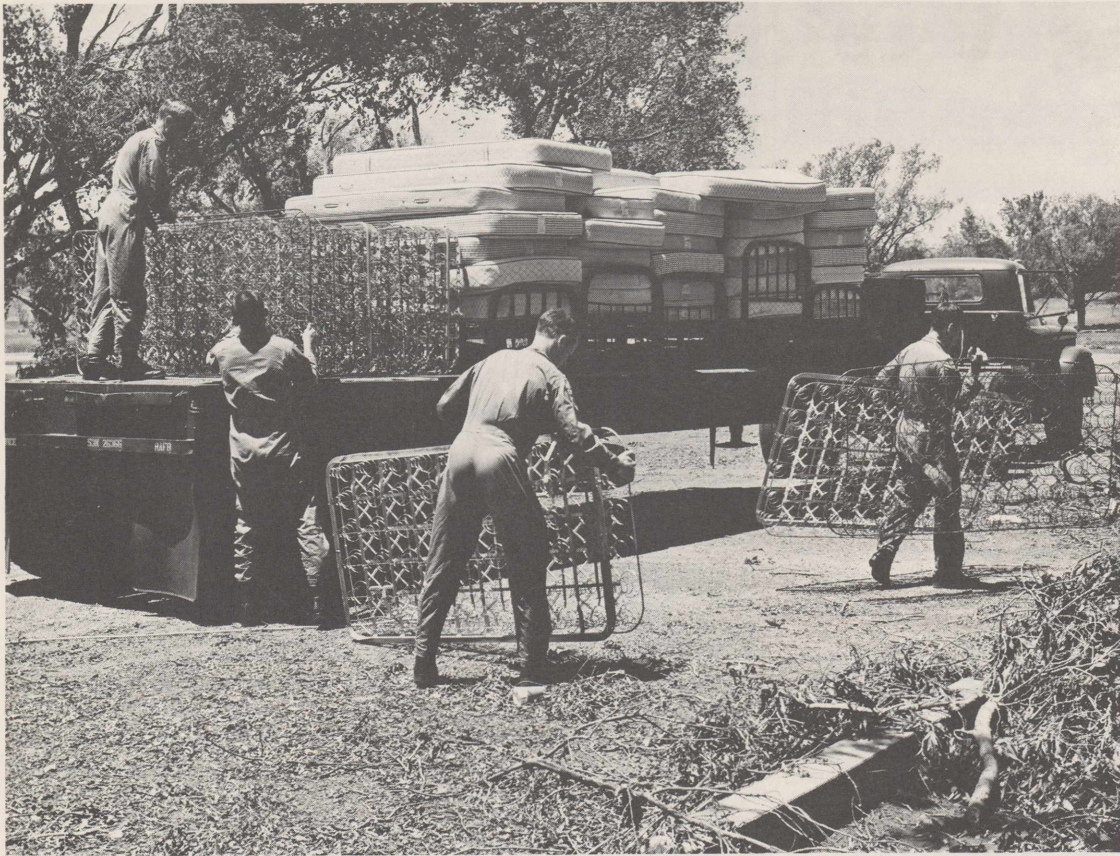
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VOLUNTEERS WORKING—Hundreds of Reesites were quick to answer the call for help from the tornado stricken city of Lubbock May 11. These four volunteers unloading beds and mattresses from a Reese flatbed truck in downtown Lubbock were typical of that quick response. (U.S. Air Force Photo)

Family Services Volunteer Work Spotlighted

By Mrs. David Thrans
Assistant Publicity Chairman

Family Services spotlights Mrs. Fred Kalmes, wife of Capt. Fred H. Kalmes of the 3500th Air Base Group.

Mrs. Kalmes has been active in Family Services since joining in November 1965.

In 1966 she received her Family Services pin, uniform and her one year-stripe. In November 1967, Mrs. Kalmes received her 100-hour guard and two-year

stripe. In November 1968, she was presented her 500-hour guard and three-year stripe. In November 1969, she was awarded her 750-hour guard and her four-year stripe. At present Mrs. Kalmes' volunteer hours total 894. Mrs. Kalmes served as coordinator from July 1967 to April 1968, also welcoming chairman from April 1968 to October 1968. Mrs. Kalmes' last position was publicity chairman for Family Services from October 1968 to April 1969. Captain and Mrs. Kalmes have two children, Rusty, 21, and Peggy, 11. The Kalmes family will be leaving Reese late in May.



Mrs. Fred Kalmes

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NCO Wives Slate Monthly Visitation

By Mrs. Marvin R. Helms
The NCO Wives Club will make its monthly visit to the University Convalescent Center May 28 at 6:30 p.m.
Refreshments, games and prizes will be provided for the event.

No Officers' Billets
LUKE AFB, Ariz. (AFNS) — Transient billeting for temporary duty officers is nonexistent until June 2.

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by the 2053rd Communications Squadron at Reese. Sgt. Robert E. McElhone, the chief operator, AIC Robert H. Wolfman and Amn. Robert R. Bunch, operators, and maintenance man Sgt. Michael J. Bosnos worked around the clock through 3 a.m. Friday, when all telephone communication was restored at Reese.

Comm. Group Flown In

To help alleviate the communications difficulty, the 3rd Mobile Communications Group from Tinker AFB, Okla., was flown in to Reese and set up a mobile unit at the base, a relay station at the Municipal Airport at Littlefield, Tex., and another base station at Cannon AFB, N.M., tying in that base's communications outlets with Reese. Personally supervising the operation was Lt. Col. Walter Brower, 2053rd Communications Squadron commander.

Within hours after the devastating storm hit Lubbock, Reese became a focal point for government and civil defense officials

arriving at the scene. Three Air Force jets arrived Tuesday as the frontrunners of many others to land at the base, bringing help to the city. Aboard the first plane was U. S. Senator John Tower, who immediately boarded a Reese helicopter for a look at the area. He was quickly followed by U. S. Representative George Mahon of Lubbock and a host of others from the Small Business Administration and the President's Office of Emergency Preparedness. The latter office was represented by Mr. George A. Lincoln, who reported back to the President, and based on that report, the President declared the Lubbock area (a 10-county area of the South Plains) a national disaster area, releasing emergency funds to aid in recovery operations.

Info Chief Goes On Loan

Second Lt. Ronald A. Di Pietra, chief, information division, went on fulltime assignment to the office of Emergency Preparedness (OEP), and remained with them throughout the remainder of the week lending assistance in the field of disseminating information and in many other areas.

The most urgent need immediately following the disaster was medical facilities as the casualty list swelled, causing local hospital emergency rooms to overflow. Three persons were admitted to the 3500th USAF Hospital at Reese. The hospital also provided a doctor and two nurses to the Methodist Hospital emergency room on the night of the storm, and they worked throughout the night — side-by-side with their civilian counterparts—aiding the injured. These were Maj. (Dr.) Elliott R. Finger and nurses 1st Lt. Kathleen Freeman and 2nd Lt. Patricia L. Armstrong. The hospital also provided four ambulances downtown which were used extensively. Also provided was sterilizing service for instruments used at Methodist Hospital. Additionally, immediately following the disaster, Air Force Headquarters advised Reese that two C-141s, two C-5s (from Altus AFB, Okla.) and one C-9 from Scott AFB, Ill. were on call for evacuation of injured if required. Fortunately, this need did not arise.

Remainder Of Base Helpful

The remainder of the base was just as helpful and active. Civil Engineers provided three generators which—at a critical time—

proved of incalculable value. Other material and supplies included 75 flashlight batteries for the National Guard who were concerned with keeping law and order in the storm-damaged area. Also, eight cooling fans were sent to the West Texas Air Terminal to cool overheated air traffic control equipment. Two pickup trucks were dispatched loaded with flattened cardboard boxes used for packing food and clothing. Equipment included two dump trucks, two front-end loaders, a 25-foot flatbed truck and tractor, three 29-passenger buses, two half-ton trucks, 17 pickup trucks, and other vehicles.

The call for food, clothing and supplies was met with a massive effort on the base. The Officers and NCO Open Messes worked feverishly, turning out 1,500 sandwiches for the hungry victims and rescue workers. Supply furnished six folding tables and 200 blankets. The base commissary contributed countless items ranging from 143 cases of baby food to disposable diapers. Other commissary items included four cases of laundry detergent, eight cases of toilet soap, three cases of scouring pads, 13 cases of toilet tissue, 10 cases of fresh fruit, plus plastic bags and grocery bags.

Clothing Sent Downtown

The same help came in response to a call for clothing, plus four privately owned vehicles loaded with clothing have been downtown, and the process of collecting and sending clothing has just begun.

But perhaps the most heartening response has been the volunteers who have responded to calls for help. Through Sunday, a total of 357 volunteer military and civilian workers at Reese have been counted. There are believed to be at least that many more who have gone unnoticed. It naturally is impossible to count them all, just as it is impossible to give them all credit in this story because of space limitations. They include men, women and even children of military and civilians working at Reese, and the many retired people who call Reese "their community."

These volunteers range in rank from colonels to airmen; from the highest to the lowest paid civilians; from workers who have worked nearly solid since the disaster to those who could spare but a few hours.

For some it has been an old story. TSgt. Kenneth L. Molloy, 429S Field Training Detachment, and a member of the South Plains Radio Emergency Associated Citizens Team (REACT), and his wife, Pat, a civil service worker at Reese, were back in action along with other REACT members of Reese, Billie Holloway and Bob Robinson of the base commissary, Perry Caddell, a civil service worker at Reese, and others, helping to set up a communications chain to help the rescue efforts. These people had been cited for their efforts in the Whiteface area tornado less than a month before. Sergeant Molloy, whose pickup truck had provided water for many of the Whiteface victims was again a familiar sight—this time in Lubbock.

Sergeant Termed Outstanding

One Reesite who has performed over and above the call of duty is Sgt. Laurence D. Diehl, 3500th Field Maintenance Squadron. Sergeant Diehl was in the downtown area Monday night when the destructive tornado struck. He quickly took the initiative and helped in such areas as directing traffic. When he returned to base, he realized that he had to do more. He requested and received leave, then he turned his efforts toward one of the most needed areas in Lubbock—the Guadalupe Neighborhood Center, which was desperately requesting help. He went to work at the center Tuesday morning and has been working steadily ever since—from 7 in the morning to 11 and 11:30 each night. The assistant director there, Miss Pat Morlen, says he has proved so valuable that she doubted that the center could have operated without him. She told Reese people that he worked tirelessly in providing transportation for homeless victims, carrying the injured to hospitals, and hundreds of other tasks. A representative of the OEP, Wayne Sherwin, made a special trip to Reese Monday to tell his commanding officer that if Sergeant Diehl was working for the OEP instead of the Guadalupe Neighborhood Center he would be eligible for the very highest award they could hand out.

Starts Work Early

Some Reesites started working in the disaster area before they even technically became Reesites. Amn. Herbert D. Spurgeon, 3500th Supply Squadron, reported into wing headquarters Saturday with the intention to sign in. Before he could do this, he found himself aboard a truck with other volunteers. After spending most of Saturday working assorting clothing, he was returned to the command post where Major Walton asked him how things were. Airman Spurgeon replied, "Fine, I just came in to sign up for assignment to Reese." However, Airman Spurgeon didn't complain—he said he enjoyed the work, and would have volunteered anyway.

Colonel Morganti made a second inspection trip of the area Thursday, stopping by most of the the agencies volunteering the help of the base. Everywhere the reports were most encouraging. Reese people are helping with donations of time, money, equipment, clothing, food and supplies. Reesites should bear in mind that the central clearing agency for volunteer workers is the command post. If you want to help—in any way—call the command post and volunteer.



RADIO HELP—TSgt. Kenneth Molloy, 429S Field Training Detachment and a member of a South Plains emergency radio unit is shown working in a mobile radio van in downtown Lubbock during rescue operations last week in the tornado stricken city of Lubbock. Hundreds of Reesites joined in, volunteering their time and effort in aiding the victims. (U.S. Air Force Photo)

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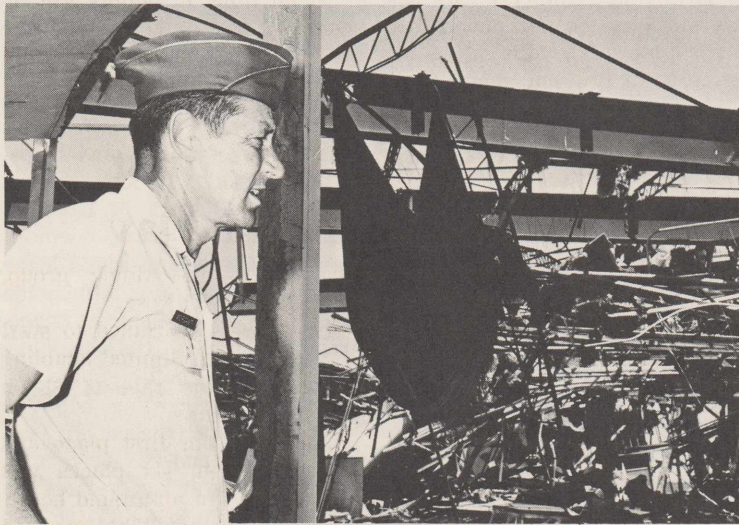
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TORNADO DAMAGE—These two T-41 Phase I training planes were smashed together during the May 11 tornado that struck Lubbock. The planes, located at the West Texas Air Terminal, were among the 14 planes destroyed by the tornado. Three others were severely damaged, but are believed repairable. (U.S. Air Force Photo)



DAMAGE SURVEY—Col. Clyde J. Morganti, wing commander at Reese AFB, surveys the damage of the devastating tornado that struck Lubbock on the night of May 11. This was the second inspection tour made by the wing commander, who then visited the Emergency Operating Center at Lubbock's city hall to offer the stricken city the facilities available at Reese. (U.S. Air Force Photo)

Project MEMO Aids Separating Servicemen Obtain Education

HQ. ATC (ATCPS) — Each year, servicemen are separated from the military with little or no idea of what type of work they will be doing.

Entertainer Bob Hope has kicked off a program to help some of the undecided individuals.

Called G.I. Project MEMO (More Education, More Opportunities), the program is designed to help servicemen obtain a college education.

MEMO was started last Christmas for servicemen returning from overseas, but now includes all U.S. military personnel.

The concept is to help people get in touch with colleges, business or trade schools while they are still in the service.

The U.S. Department of Health Education and Welfare and the Veteran's Administration sponsor the program with Michigan State University acting as a clearing house between the college and individual.

For further information, interested Air Training Command personnel should contact their base education office.

CONSERVE UTILITIES

Instructor Pilots Honored . . .

(Continued From Page 1) this honor," concluded Colonel Rose.

A graduate of undergraduate pilot training at Reese in 1966, Captain Nichols earned a bachelor of science in aerospace engineering from Texas A&M University in 1964. Immediately upon his graduation from UPT at Reese, the captain was assigned to H Flight of the 3500th PTS, where he has been a student instructor for four years.

Selected by the 3501st Pilot Training Squadron, Lieutenant Kennedy also acts as computer officer in B Flight.

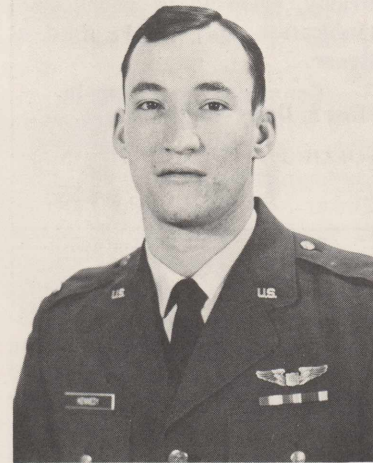
Lt. Col. William E. Moore, 3501st PTS commander, in naming the lieutenant to the April honor, said, "Lieutenant Kennedy is an aggressive and highly qualified instructor pilot. He always displays a positive attitude toward his responsibilities and constantly seeks ways to improve his instructional methods and techniques. He has worked hard to improve his instructor proficiency by volunteering to fly with other flights and with future IP's in their pilot upgrading with the standardization / evaluation section.

"Aside from his outstanding performance as an instructor pilot, his attention to details while performing additional duties in the squadron and flight is noteworthy," continued Colonel Moore. "His activity as computer officer is especially commendable.

"Special care is exercised in assuring all inputs are correct and outputs are carefully rechecked; this resulted in a very

low error rate in the flight, contributing to the low error rate for the squadron.

"Lieutenant Kennedy is a most valuable member of the squadron and his many hours of conscientious work to improve the effectiveness of the unit make him highly qualified as Instructor Pilot of the Month," concluded Colonel Moore.



Lieutenant Kennedy

Graduation . . .

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ATC's Outstanding Airman Is Named

A Chanute AFB, Ill., sergeant has been named the Outstanding Airman, 1970, in the Air Training Command (ATC), it was announced Wednesday by ATC officials.

SMSgt. Harold M. Kuyper, who is attached to the 3361st Instructor Squadron at Chanute, was selected for the honor in ATC-wide competition. His name will be forwarded for consideration in the Air Force-wide competition.

In conveying his congratulations to Sergeant Kuyper, Lt.

Gen. Sam Maddux, commanding general, ATC, said, "The performance records of those airmen and noncommissioned officers considered for this honor are a source of great pride for me, Air Training Command and the U.S. Air Force."

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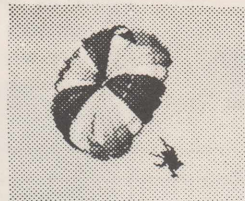
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Reesites Should Enter Invitational Meet Early

Reese golfers are advised to enter early in the Reese AFB Partnership Golf Tournament scheduled June 5-7 at Reese. Because of the course being only nine holes, the field is being limited to 64 two-man teams.

Host pro Ken McGuire said the course is being readied, and should be in top condition for the tournament — considered the big one at Reese. It traditionally draws the top golfers in the area who compete for merchandise prizes.

ing will be accomplished by best ball for each hole, then added up to make up the 18-hole score.

Mr. McGuire said that all 64 teams will play Friday's opening round in an open field. Following play, the teams will be flighted according to the scores they shot that day, making up four flights, with the winners of each flight each receiving merchandise prizes of \$100, the runners-up, \$75, and third-place winners, \$40.

Mr. McGuire emphasized that any two golfers — whether they are members at Reese or not — may make up a team. To enter, either visit the Reese golf course or phone ext. 2412 and make reservations.

In addition to the regular team play, entry fee will cover a special match on Thursday, June 4, at which time all golfers are invited to play 18 holes with the golfer turning in the low score being declared the medalist.

Entry fee this year is the same as last year's—\$17.50 per person, or \$35 per team. The fee includes all green fees and a party Friday night for contestants and their wives or dates. The party — a buffet-cocktail party — will include some new innovations this year.

In past years, the invitational at Reese has been an individual event — that is golfers within their respective flights competing as individuals only. This year, in keeping with growing interest in partnership matches, the invitational has been changed to a partnership affair with entries accepted as a two-man team. Scor-

Racing Tickets Are Available

Special Services has announced that it has 1,000 one-day passes and 25 season passes to Ruidoso Downs race track in Ruidoso, N.M. The passes will be available to all personnel at the Mathis Service Club.

The racing season at Ruidoso Downs opens this weekend and will run through each Friday, Saturday and Sunday through Sept. 7.

Jim Avery, chief of recreation services, said that military personnel are admitted at the gate by showing their identification cards. The day passes available at the Mathis Service Club are primarily for dependents or dates. The one-day passes may be had upon request, but season passes must be checked out and returned.

Further information may be had by contacting Special Services at ext. 2612.

Reese Riders Schedule First Horse Show Memorial Day

The Reese Riders will host its first horse show ever Memorial Day at its Fourth Street location six miles west of Lubbock. The location is the horse farm of the

president of the riding group, MSgt. Michael DiRosa.

The show is scheduled to start at 8 a.m. with limited stabling available at the rate of \$1 on advance request.

Tack items for first place and ribbons through six places will be awarded. An all-around horsemanship trophy will be awarded to the junior rider accumulating most points. The trophy is being awarded by the Reverend Father J. J. Howlett of Abilene in the interest of promoting good horsemanship and sportsmanship among young riders.

A total of 24 classes will be reeled off ranging from western equitation to working hunter. Ringmaster will be Sgt. Hiram Cooper and the announcer MSgt. Dick Hyde.

Model Airplane Meet Presented

in each event will continue to be made.

The Air Force tournament will be sanctioned by the Academy of Model Aeronautics, making it necessary that contestants possess a valid AMA license. Following the meet, a team will be selected to represent the Air Force in the AMA National Championships at Glenview NAS, Ill., July 27 to Aug. 2. Air Force has won the national title for the past seven years.

Model Airplane Meet Presented

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Lackland Invitational Qualifying Play Set

The base golf course will hold an 18-hole medal playoff tomorrow for military personnel only in order to qualify a team to repre-

sent Reese in the Lackland AFB Invitational Golf Tournament, scheduled there June 5-6.

To be determined will be four open division places, two seniors, who must be 45 years of age or older on June 5, and a commander's division, for major commanders on the base. Those intending to participate in the tournament should sign up at the pro shop as soon as possible.

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Religious Conferences Planned This Summer

WASHINGTON (AFNS) — Air Force Spiritual Life Conferences for Protestant personnel and their families will be held at nine locations this summer, Chief of Chaplains Maj. Gen. Edwin R. Chess announced.

Theme for the conference is "Lay Life and Witness."

The Spiritual Life Conference program has grown steadily over the past years. In 1967, at five conferences, 3,829 people attended. Last year the sites were increased to seven and the attendance jumped to 5,375.

Chaplain Chess stated that "we think the Protestant Spiritual Life Conference program says a lot about the Air Force's concern for people. Provision is

made by regulation for every Air Force member, if he desires, to attend a religious retreat, conference each year."

The conference schedule follows:

California Lutheran College, Thousand Oaks, Calif., June 22-26 —for personnel in Southern California, Nellis AFB, Nev., and bases in Arizona.

YMCA Conference Grounds, Estes Park, Colo., July 6-10—for personnel in Colorado, Utah, New Mexico, Wyoming; Reese and Webb Air Force Bases, Tex.

Olympic Village, Squaw Valley, Calif., July 13-17 —for personnel in Northern California (Castle AFB and north).

Ouachita Baptist University,

Arkadelphia, Ark., July 27-30—for personnel in Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Whiteman AFB, Mo., Scott AFB, Ill.; Kansas, Oklahoma, and Sheppard, Carswell, Perrin and Dyess Air Force Bases in Tex.

Free Methodist Conference Grounds, Warm Beach, Wash., Aug. 3-7—for personnel in Idaho, Oregon, Montana and Washington.

YMCA Conference Ground, Silver Bay, N.Y., Aug. 3-7—for personnel in Delaware, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Maine, Vermont, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Connecticut, Rhode Island and District of Columbia.

Mo-Ranch, Hunt, Tex., Aug. 10-14—for personnel at Goodfellow, Bergstrom, Kelly, Randolph, Brooks, Laughlin, Lackland, Ellington and Laredo Air Force Bases in Texas.

St. Olaf College, Northfield, Minn., Aug. 17-21—for personnel in Michigan, North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska, Minnesota, Iowa, Wisconsin, Illinois (excluding Scott AFB) and Richards-Gebaur AFB, Mo.

Southern Baptist Conference Grounds, Ridgecrest, N.C., Sept. 3-7—for personnel stationed in North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Alabama, Tennessee, Kentucky, Indiana, Ohio, West Virginia, Maryland and Virginia.



HELICOPTER VIEW—This HH-43 Husky helicopter of Detachment 13, Western Aerospace Rescue and Recovery Center (MAC) was kept busy last week transporting visiting government and civil defense officials over the tornado stricken city of Lubbock, surveying the tremendous damage by air. Just below it, at right, can be seen the remains of the Field and Company home furnishing complex. (U.S. Air Force Photo)

Voluntary Retirements Boost Expected With New Policies

WASHINGTON (AFNS) — Voluntary retirements from the Air Force will be accelerated with the establishment of three personnel policies.

The Military Personnel Center advised major commands of new policies waiving the final year of most active-duty service commitments, barring withdrawal of approved retirement applications and the establishment of a "seven-day" rule to permit eligible personnel with more than 20 years' active service to retire in lieu of accepting a new assignment—except for Southeast Asia.

The actions are being taken to help Air Force Personnel planners meet current trends in reducing military force levels.

The one-year waiver of the final year of active-duty service commitment for the purpose of retirement includes many on long overseas tours. Eligible are those who have completed one year on their foreign service tour, or in the case of those serving accompanied tours, it has been a year since Air Force moved their families.

Effective now, once an individual has an approved retirement application, it cannot be

withdrawn. Only exceptions which will be considered are bonafide hardships that occur after the retirement applications are submitted, or applications, which were submitted before May 1.

This policy is intended to keep retirees from shifting their retirement dates, thereby allowing Air Force to program new accessions and promotions more accurately.

Southeast Asia assignments have been excluded from the "seven-day" rule because of the critical manning requirements. Personnel who take advantage of this new policy must request retirement within seven days of assignment notification. They may elect to retire within six months or on completion of an overseas or stabilized tour if they will have a minimum 20 years' active service on that date.

The policy is similar to one in effect prior to 1965 when personnel with 25 years' service were accorded the same privilege. The policy was discontinued to ease Southeast Asia manning requirements.

Prospective retirees are encouraged to contact local personnel offices for specific information as pertains to their individual situation.

W-2 Necessity Justifies Care

DENVER (AFNS) — "If you are getting out of the service, don't lose your W-2!"

This is the plea of the Air Force Accounting and Finance Center which processed some 8,000 requests for duplicates of the wage and tax statement issued servicemen who returned to civilian life during 1969.

Each serviceman receives a Form W-2 covering his pay and tax withholdings up to the time of his discharge or retirement. Finding it at income tax time annually presents a problem for many.

Personnel on active duty whose pay records are maintained by the finance center also requested copies of the form at the rate of 60 a day, officials report.

Though some Air Force members may have been overlooked when the W-2s were issued by the center or their respective accounting and finance offices, the majority of requests were from people who lost or mislaid their statements.

Church Services For This Sunday

Catholic Services

Sunday Mass
10 a.m. and 12:15 p.m.
Saturday Mass 5:30 p.m.
Confraternity of Christian Doctrine—11 a.m.

Protestant Services

General Protestant Worship
9 and 11 a.m., 6 p.m.
Sunday School—9:45 a.m.
Protestant Youth of Chapel Program—6:30 p.m.

(All activities are held in the base chapel or adjacent chapel support facility.)

Jewish Services

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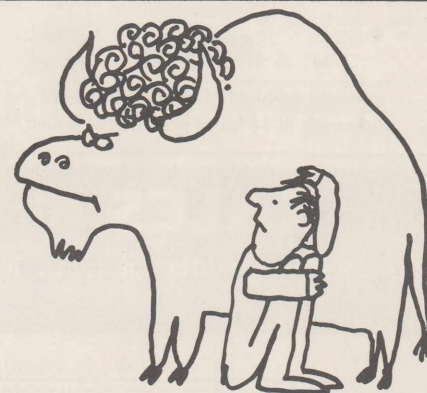
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Assistant Chaplain Assigned To ATC

HQ. ATC (ATCPS) — Chaplain (Col.) John W. New, a veteran of 28 years as a military chaplain, has assumed duties as Air Training Command's assistant command chaplain.

He succeeds Chaplain (Col.) John P. Thomas, who was reassigned to Headquarters Seventh Air Force, Republic of Vietnam.

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