



**CHALLENGE SET**—The Top Three NCO corps will attempt to get this plaque engraved with their team's name again this year if the Top Three Officer corps accept their recently-issued softball challenge. The NCO team barely beat the officers last year, 10-9. (U.S. Air Force Photo by SSgt. Dennis Mehrenberg)

# NCOs challenge officers

The "Top Three" enlisted ranks at Reese have challenged the Top Three officer ranks again this year to a softball game. The two groups clashed on the diamond for the first time last year, with the Top Three NCO team emerging victorious by a 10-9 margin after the dust cleared.

Top Three NCO spokesman SMSgt. John H. Ruppert issued the following challenge May 7:

**"The Top Three Noncommissioned Officers of Reese Air Force Base**

hereby afford the senior officers of Reese Air Force base the opportunity of avenging last year's humiliating defeat on the softball diamond. While many of our last year's starters were sent to other stations during the off season, we feel that sufficient talent exists to repeat last year's triumph.

"Having faith in the sporting plasma of the senior officer corps, the diamond has been reserved for June 1, 1974. If, however, the officer corps feels that additional time is required

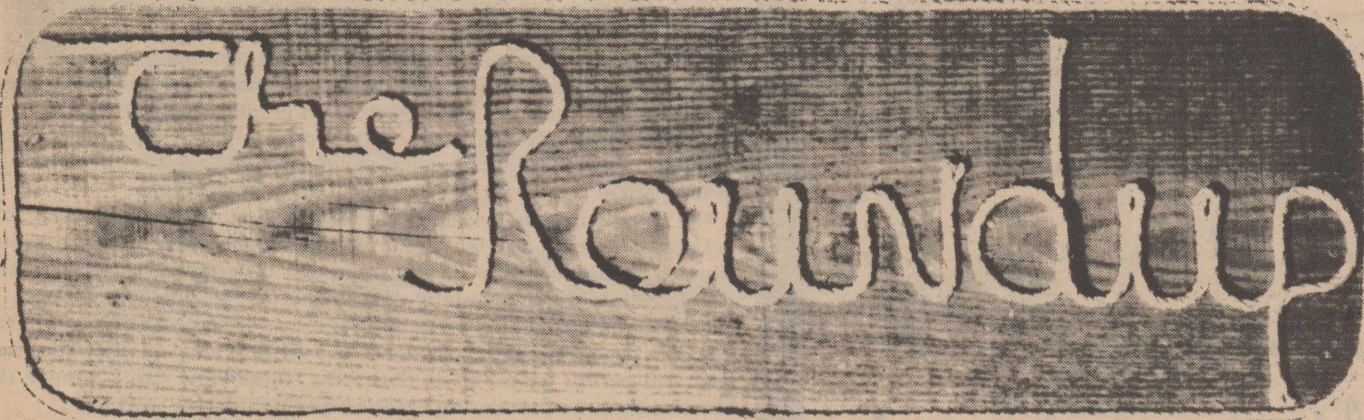
for practice, we are agreeable to another date. Due to the fact that we must arrange for a chaplain to listen to complaints, a doctor to heal the injuries, an attorney to arbitrate close calls as well as reserve the ball diamond, an early reply will be appreciated."

The game will take place on the lighted field north of Reese Village on War Highway. The time has not been set as of press time.

## JAG takes disciplinary action

On May 9 a Reese airman was tried and found guilty by General Courts Martial of larceny in violation of Article 121 of the Uniform Code of Military Justice.

The airman was sentenced to three months confinement at hard labor, forfeiture of \$50 per month for one year and reduction to airman basic. He also will be discharged with a Bad Conduct Discharge.



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### THE WHITE HOUSE

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

#### A PROCLAMATION

*Through their vigilance and fortitude, our Armed Forces have preserved our independence as a Nation. Today they serve as the bulwark of our freedom as we strive for lasting world peace.*

*The responsibility of the more than 2 million fine men and women in the Armed Forces of the United States is an awesome one and, in doing their duty, they exemplify the spirit, courage and patriotism that have made America a great Nation.*

*It is particularly fitting that we should recognize their sacrifices today, at a time when the prospect for a future free of war is the brightest in years. We must never forget that it is those who wear our country's uniform who have made this prospect possible.*

*Having defended us in time of war, they stand today as guardians of an honorable peace. Honor and gratitude are their due from this generation of Americans and from generations yet unborn.*

*NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICHARD NIXON, President of the United States of America and Commander in Chief of the Armed Forces of the United States, do hereby proclaim the third Saturday of each May as Armed Forces Day.*

*I direct the Secretary of Defense on behalf of the Army, the Navy, the Air Force, and the Marine Corps, and the Secretary of Transportation on behalf of the Coast Guard, to plan for appropriate observances each year, with the Secretary of Defense responsible for soliciting the participation and cooperation of civil authorities and private citizens.*

*I invite the Governors of the States, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, and other areas subject to the jurisdiction of the United States, to provide for the observance of Armed Forces Day within their jurisdiction each year in an appropriate manner designed to enhance public understanding and appreciation of the Armed Forces of the United States as protectors of freedom at home and abroad.*

*I call upon my fellow Americans to proudly display the flag of the United States at their homes on Armed Forces Day.*

*Proclamation No. 3655 of May 7, 1965, is hereby superseded.*

*IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this twenty-first day of March, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred seventy-four, and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred ninety-eighth.*

**RICHARD NIXON**

## Mandatory 'buckling' set

Getting in the habit of putting on your seat belt now might save you a ticket later.

It is now Defense Department policy that military and civilian personnel will wear safety belts when operating or riding in a privately-owned four-wheel motor vehicle on base. This also applies to driving or riding in a privately-owned vehicle off base while on official business.

In addition, members will be required to use protective equipment while riding motorcycles on base and while on official business off base, Air Force safety officials said.

Also announced was the fact that commanders will have the authority to prescribe the protective devices which will be worn by military people riding vehicles off base in areas outside the United States, its territories and possessions, where local laws do not prescribe the wearing of safety belts, approved safety helmets and eye-protecting devices.

Air Force officials said these new safety policies will be contained in a revision of Air Force Regulation 127-5, "Use of Protective Equipment by Vehicle Operators and Passengers," now being readied for publishing.

Enforcement of the revised regulation at Reese will begin soon.



**SAFE AT FIRST**—Because so many Reese personnel were receiving injuries while playing softball, the base gym recently sponsored a Softball Safety Clinic. Here, Phillip Scruggs shows a Reese player how to slide into a base without twisting an ankle or wrenching a knee. Scruggs has played softball for years on local teams, many of which have gone to the National Softball Championships. (U.S. Air Force Photo by Amn. Dave McGill)

# frame of reference



Col. Walter H. Baxter III  
Wing Commander

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OFFICE OF THE COMMANDER

The ATC Wing Commanders' Conference held here last week was a huge success. It was the first time a number of the senior officers had been here, and I am most pleased to report that all were well impressed.

General The Bride expressed appreciation for the arrangements and indicated a high degree of satisfaction with the condition of our facilities and the courtesy exhibited by our people.

My thanks to each of you who worked so hard to make such a fine impression. There is no doubt that Reese is Number One. Let's keep it that way.

Walter H. Baxter, Jr.

# It's A Special Talent

By WYVERNE L. FLATT

"Why is it that people don't want to work?" many supervisors ask. And, when we look in their areas, sure enough, there are people who don't like to work.

Why? Very often this particular supervisor spends a lot of time letting his people know he doesn't trust them, he thinks they're lazy and generally just no darned good.

If the supervisor acts on this kind of belief, he shouldn't be surprised when his people appear to be no good, lazy or shiftless.

But we sometimes find a supervisor who has an unusually productive, creative and enthusiastic team; it is hard for him to tell you in a few words what he is doing to create such a work force.

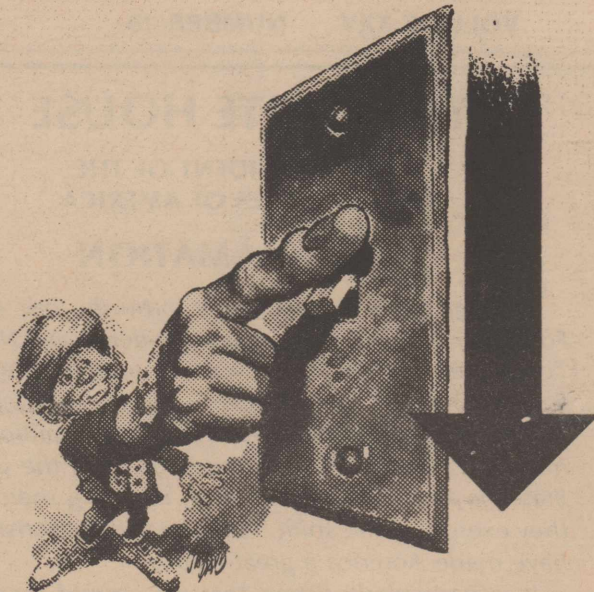
Usually, the good supervisors have something in common. They believe their workers are productive and pretty much like they are, ready to work and anxious to do a good job.

They want to work—not because they want to impress their boss—but because they have a basic drive and desire to accomplish something useful, creative, and truly worthwhile for themselves and their fellow man.

A good supervisor has a more difficult job creating a climate where people can freely do their best—but doesn't spend his day watching his workers make sure they don't goof off. By creating this special climate, he removes obstacles in the way of their productivity. Sometimes, one of those obstacles is the supervisor himself, and he must stay out of the way of productive people.

The better supervisors seem to get their jobs set up, get them filled, and get people trained. The less effective supervisors seem to be constantly worried about production. What this means is that if you take care of the people side of the job, usually your production problems are solved.

So, rather than asking, "Why don't people want to work anymore?" the question should perhaps be, "How can I create a shop or office situation that will permit people to do their best work? How can I remove the barriers that are preventing creative and productive work?"



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These are just a few of the reasons that we are proud to be an Air Force family.

Sincerely,  
TSgt. and Mrs. Nay Postelle  
and son

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# AAFES takes steps to lessen inflation load

DALLAS (AFNS)—The Army and Air Force Exchange Service (AAFES) has acted to lessen the financial impact of inflation on its patrons through a program called Money Savers, exchange officials said.

An ever-widening assortment of carefully selected quality merchandise at very reasonable prices, Money Savers were introduced last June by Maj. Gen. C.W. Hospelhorn shortly after he

assumed command of the worldwide exchange service.

"I have long felt the soldier, airman and their families have needed an added program to offer across-the-board savings as a genuine hedge against the high cost of living," General Hospelhorn explained.

"We went out to the manufacturers and asked for quality merchandise, within more moderate price lines, to complement

the top-of-the-line merchandise that always has been the hallmark of AAFES.

"Money Savers are the result of that request," he said.

According to General Hospelhorn, "Money Savers have had particular appeal to the families of more moderate income—those with active, growing children who pack a lot of rough-and-tumble fun and play into the life of the garments they wear."

Although merchandise offered through the Money Saver program is comparable in price to that sold at discount centers, AAFES has not compromised its demand for quality. "We maintain the same quality assurance standards for Money Savers as all other merchandise sold in the exchange," the general stressed. "Money Savers offer the AAFES money-back guarantee that has always been recognized as second to none."

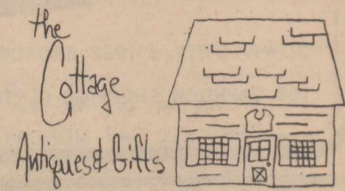
General Hospelhorn said that Money Savers are not restricted to children's clothes, but encompass the entire spectrum of merchandise. "The program includes dinnerware, bakeware, clothing for men and women—much, much more. My buyers are always on the lookout for items that will qualify for the Money Savers tag," he said.

General Hospelhorn stressed another point he has been making to exchange personnel around the world. "Some months ago, I directed all exchanges to check every hanging garment at the point of sale to catch any substandard merchandise that might have

escaped earlier quality assurance detection.

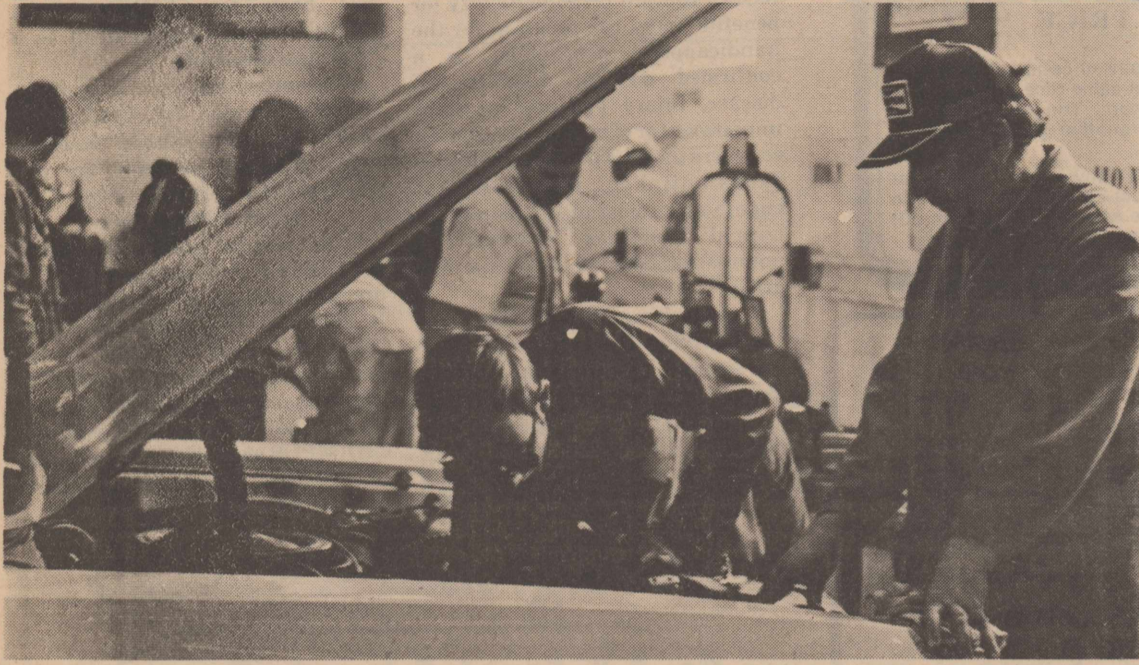
"Sales personnel are to check seams, buttons—everything the purchaser will be checking when he or she takes that garment home. This policy applies to all AAFES merchandise, including Money Savers. I'm making very certain of that."

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CAR WORK—Henry Pryjomski (right), auto hobby shop manager, looks on as Sgt. Terry Blankenship, hobby shop NCOIC, makes an adjustment on the fan belt of his car. Both men are highly qualified mechanics and are available to guide a person who wishes to work on his own vehicle at the Reese Automotive Hobby Shop. (Photo Courtesy of Special Services Division)

## You 'auto' repair it yourself

By Sgt. Buddy Lerch

Clank. . sputter. . grind. . boing!

Has your car ever uttered these expletives to you? Probably all it needs is a little tender loving care. As you probably know, this tender loving care doesn't come cheap at your commercial auto repair place.

But it does come cheap at the Reese Auto Hobby Shop.

### All You Need

This facility has all you need to perform minor repairs as well as overhauls on any automobile engine. Well-lit, spacious individual repair stalls and a wide variety of tools, plus expert guidance from Henry Projomski and Sgt. Terry Blankenship at the hobby shop, making fixing your car easier than you may think.

A wide variety of tools are available for use by authorized patrons at no charge, including spark plug cleaners, dwell meters, tachometers, timing lights, wrenches, screwdrivers, valve grinders and wheel pullers.

A welding shop and car body repair tools are available to

straighten out those unsightly dents. After straightening out these blemishes, you can add the final touch — repainting in the shop's paint booth.

### Three Lifts

Maybe all your car needs is an oil change or lubrication job. Three lifts are available for that purpose, with three more expected within the next six months for patrons to rotate their wheels or install a new exhaust system.

A dirty car is ugly. Get your's cleaned up in one of the eight car wash stalls available. They furnish water, pails, detergent, sponges and a wringer for your chamois. Get the inside, too, with their heavy-duty vacuum cleaners. You can even clean your engine (a dirty engine cuts your power and gas mileage) with the shop's heavy-duty steam cleaning machine at about half the price of what you would pay off base.

### Remodeling Soon

Over \$26,000 has been approved from the Central Base Fund for remodeling and improving the Auto Hobby Shop. After the remodeling and purchase of the additional equipment the facility will be outstanding.

The hours of the facility are from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, and from noon until 8 p.m. Wednesday through Friday. It is closed Monday and Tuesday.

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## Education program offers course in radiology study

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The Extension Course Institute (ECI) can't provide a license for anyone to use x-ray equipment professionally, but its Career Development Course 90350 offers detailed instruction that will lead to proficiency when coupled with a practical training program.

The four-volume course may be of particular interest to those about to retire or separate from the service and who hope to return to school for specialized education. Successful completion of the course would give such a person an excellent academic boost.

The initial volume of the course teaches the basics of the science, ranging from the fundamentals of x-rays to the methods of handling x-ray film. The heavily-illustrated second volume gives instruction on the many positions required to attain a proper exposure. The third and fourth volumes concern special techniques, while the final volume also discusses radiation therapy and clinic administration.

The course is open to all personnel on active duty in the military services, members of Air National Guard, Reservists and Civil Servants. Further details and information on enrollment in any of ECI's nearly 400 courses may be obtained from the base Education Office.

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# Former SP introduces program

By A1C Rick Williams  
 Sheppard AFB, Texas

After serving as a security policeman for 16 years, MSgt. Bob Ellis, noncommissioned officer in charge of Sheppard's Social Actions Office, understands the problems the security policeman encounters in dealing with the base population.

During January he introduced a community relations program for security policemen which he devised to help close the gap in people-to-people communication.

"Before the program," reports Sergeant Ellis, "the SP received little training in dealing with the public. Most of his instruction dealt

with methods of investigation and the capture of criminals."

Sergeant Ellis believes that any community relations training is an important addition to the security policeman because even in a minor investigation, initial exchanges between a policeman and an individual can determine whether a confrontation will result.

His three-hour community relations course is divided into five segments. Included is a section dealing with the need for such a program; an explanation on how prejudice affects relations between policemen and the public; a section on methods of dealing with minority

groups; one on causes of confrontations including case histories of incidents' and a section on the role of the individual policeman and how his actions reflect upon his organization.

More than half of Sheppard's security policemen have completed the training and the remainder of the force will finish the course by the end of April. After that time the course will be presented as needed, to policemen assigned to the base.

Community relations is a two-way street and if the security police training proves successful, Sergeant Ellis would like to present a program on the problems of the SP to other

base members during race relations training.

"Today's image of the policeman is bad," states the sergeant, "Most people don't understand the responsibilities each security policeman must bear in acting quickly and correctly in a particular incident."

He also believes that the military policeman is forced to face the peculiar problems of a strong concentration of numerous ethnic groups in a small area and the delicate situation of dealing with people of superior rank.

Response to the course by security policemen has been good, reports Sergeant Ellis. "Surprisingly, several of the graduates have come to me stating that the course is not long enough. But, with the busy schedule of the SP it would be difficult to lengthen at this time."

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## 'Tweet' students move on

By 1st Lt. Edward B. Hayden

Class 75-03 graduates this week from their T-37 phase of training. The instructors in both C and F Flights have expressed profound sorrow in seeing their senior class go.

Of course, it's not because they'll miss seeing their studs, but because they'll have to face the agony of teaching new students how to fly in the heat of the summer.

**75-06 Hailed**

Seriously, we welcome Class 75-06 to the 35th Flying Training Squadron. If there's anything that instructors do like, it's having at least one student to fly with.

Recently the squadron has been suffering through a lack of air conditioning. This has produced two changes in the activities of both the students and instructors. First, when a student solos out, he is no longer traditionally "dunked" in the solo tank. He is now taken into the squadron snack bar and becomes drenched in his own perspiration.

Secondly, the solo tank is now being used by the instructors as a

swimming pool. As the squadron Swimming Pool officer, I must ask you to observe the following rules: No diving, no more than 25 swimmers at one time and would the instructor who took Colonel Foster's rubber ducky please return it immediately.

C Flight is experiencing two changes within its ranks. Capt. Tim Caruthers will change his status to "dual only" as he is getting married soon and 1st Lt. Phil McRee is leaving the flight to take his comedy act across the street to the Learning Center.

**Secret Assignment**

Capt. Tom Curtis of B Flight will be leaving in August for an F-4 assignment. Actually we all know that the F-4 is just a cover for his secret assignment to the BD-5.

Two new instructors have recently added their talents to the T-37 instructor force. Joining D Flight is 2nd Lt. Ken Korsmo, while F Flight welcomes 2nd Lt. "Erick" Erickson. Both lieutenants come to Reese following their completion of Pilot Instructor Training at Randolph AFB, Texas.

## Scouts get recognition

Reese Cub Scout Pack 548 met last month to present the scouts of their dens with new achievement awards.

Elected as Denner was Ray Drappau, after which Ricky Piper was presented with two silver arrows for achievement. Receiving their Wolf Badges were David Martin, Edward Weisbrod and Mark Myrick. Bear Badges went to David Mitchell and Matthew Reasner and the Bobcat Badge went to Billie Seward.

During the meeting, it was announced that the next pack meeting would be combined with a picnic at the base picnic grounds. The meeting-picnic will be held from 1 to 5 p.m. on May 26.

At the awards ceremony, Den 2 opened the meeting and Den 1 performed the closing program.



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**MIRACLE PRICES**

# Reese sergeant becomes first in SOC program

TSgt. Kermit Bunn has recently become the first student to sign a Servicemen's Opportunity College (SOC) contract with nearby South Plains College.

The SOC was established by the American Association of Community and Junior Colleges in cooperation with the Department of Defense to enable military personnel to pursue their goals without the "Last (blank) number of hours."

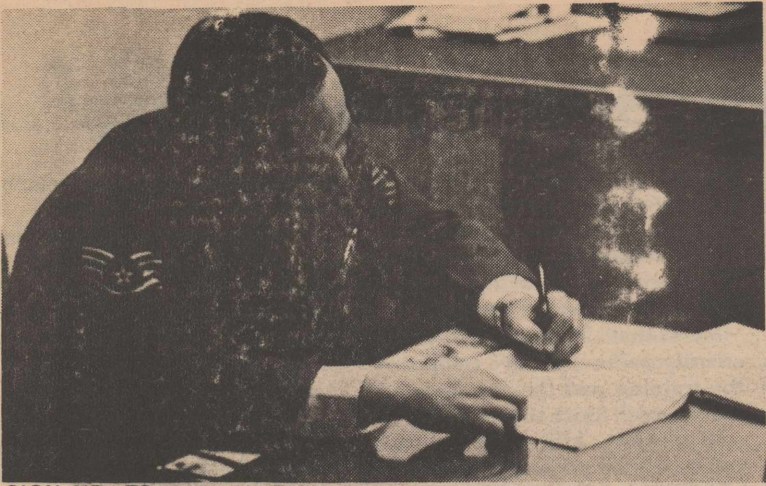
Essentially, the SOC concept is this:

- It allows the student to contract for a degree and meet residency requirements at any point in his studies.
- It allows the student to transfer credit in reverse to the contracting school. The school will issue the degree when the agreed courses are completed.

• It recognizes and evaluates military training and experience and gives credit by examination.

As of this writing, only South Plains College in Levelland and Wayland Baptist College in Plainview are accepting SOC contracts. Texas Tech University in Lubbock is still studying the SOC policies.

More information about the SOC program may be obtained from the Reese Education Office, Ext. 2469.



**SIGN UP**—TSgt. Kermit Bunn signs his name to the first Servicemen's Opportunity Contract between a military member and South Plains College. South Plains College is one of two colleges in the South Plains accepting the new education program. (U.S. Air Force Photo by Sgt. Terry Crooks)

## Help stop fires before they start

The Fire Protection Branch of the 64th Civil Engineering Squadron has recently outlined the responsibilities of each supervisor and commander in the fire protection program.

In the revised edition of Air Force Regulation (AFR) 92-1, Fire Protection Program, it states that unit commanders and supervisors at all levels are responsible for and must insure that sound fire-prevention procedures are established and practiced in each facility or activity under their jurisdiction.

So that fire protection measures and inspections can be more

centrally controlled, the unit fire marshalls and building fire wardens have been eliminated and the responsibilities of those jobs have been placed under the Real Property Custodian. The Real Property Custodian, formerly the Building Custodian, is now responsible to the unit commanders for the fire safe condition of the facilities under his jurisdiction.

The ultimate responsibility for fire prevention and compliance with recommendations of the fire inspector rest with the unit commander and the supervisor of the unit being inspected. To make sure that all fire inspection

recommendations are noted by the unit after a fire inspection, the Real Property Custodian or an alternate designated by him, must accompany the fire inspector during the inspection.

If dangerous practices are observed during an inspection, the fire inspector may recommend that the operation of the unit or facility be terminated. The base Fire Chief and the Civil Engineer are then notified of the condition and will conduct a personal inspection of the area. If they deem it necessary to terminate the functions of the unit or facility, after discussing the situation with the unit commander,

they will then notify the Base Commander.

Before the revision of the fire prevention regulation, all that the fire department could do would be to recommend that a unit halt operations until fire protection measures could be implemented. Under the new regulation, they can now order the unit or facility to stop operations until proper measures are taken.

Fire prevention is the responsibility of everyone on base. Only through complete cooperation and compliance with fire prevention measures, can we stop a fire...before it gets a chance to start.

## AF saves life in 'miracle' rescue

Eglin AFB, Fla. (AFNS) - Gary Grothen of Fort Walton Beach, Fla., owes his life to a missile-firing mission cancellation. He was rescued from the Gulf of Mexico by the crew of an Eglin AFB missile retriever ship after he drifted in a small boat for more than 46 hours without food and water.

The 36-year-old electrical engineer's fight for survival ended when an Air Force seaman spotted his disabled 14-foot aluminum boat bobbing in high waves 36 miles south of Panama City, Fla.

Grothen was picked up immediately by the ship's five-man crew and taken to Eglin AFB. An ambulance was waiting at dockside to rush him to the Fort Walton Beach hospital where he was treated for exposure, dehydration and bruises.

### A Miracle

Eglin AFB officials said the rescue was nothing short of a miracle since no one knew Grothen was missing. According to the base authorities, the Air Force missile retriever was returning to Eglin after a range mission it was supporting was cancelled. Had the mission not been cancelled, they said, the ship would have been on station many miles away and not in position to spot Grothen.

Grothen is employed by the McDonnell Douglas Aircraft Corp.

and is at Eglin AFB as part of the team testing the F-15 fighter aircraft. He reported that his his near-tragic adventure began when his boat struck an unidentified floating object, damaging the propeller. He was forced to shut off the nine-and-a-half horsepower engine and tried to paddle the quarter mile to shore. Unable to paddle against the strong wind and current, he was rapidly swept into the treacherous gulf waters.

Grothen said he had a spare propeller in the boat but the wrench he needed was missing from the tool kit. He decided to wait until daylight to repair the motor because he feared he would drop the parts overboard working without light.

### Most frightening

"When the shore lights faded away," Grothen said, "it was the most frightening experience of my life. I remember thinking that the next body of land lay somewhere south of me... 'South America,' I concluded."

Grothen said that the wind and waves were pretty rough during the night and he bailed water out of the boat at least every hour. He wrapped his only life preserver around the engine to protect it but it was washed overboard during the night.

The next day, the engineer worked on the engine and, by

noon, had it working again. The little aluminum boat rode through waves Grothen estimated to be 18 feet high. "I didn't know if the boat could take it. I thought it was going to break in half..." he said. The fuel ran out after two hours and Grothen lost almost all hope of rescue. When he began his outing the day before, he had planned to be gone only a couple of hours. His wife was in St. Louis recovering from an operation and he had not told anyone he was taking the boat out.

With the fuel gone, Grothen began carving an account of what had happened to him on to the seat of the boat:

"Sat. Eve. prop broke by Destin Bridge... sun set before I could get it fixed... lost preserver in dark in process of trying to fix engine..."

### Failing Fast

Grothen had not seen land since Saturday and was failing fast from hunger and thirst when the "miracle" occurred. His boat was spotted by the crew of the MR 21-2110.

"When I saw the ship, I just hoped I wasn't seeing things and I just hoped to God it would turn around," he recalled. Grothen ripped the top of a metal cooler, waving it at the ship, but he had already been sighted. Help was at hand.

The crew of the MR 21-2110 soon

## Commanders sought for FTD teams

Air Training Command has a current and continuing need for rated and nonrated aircraft maintenance officers for assignment as field training detachment (FTD) commanders at locations throughout the continental United States.

According to Capt. Robert M. Negley, assistant chief of the Reese Consolidated Base Personnel Office, FTD commander duty provides an excellent opportunity for highly qualified officers to gain nontactical commander experience at an early point in their Air Force careers.

To be eligible for FTD commander duty, an officer must meet the eligibility requirements outlined in Air Force Regulation 36-20, paragraph 8-32a.

ATC is currently soliciting eligible volunteers in the grade of captain for assignment as FTD commander at Luke AFB, Ariz., McChord AFB, Wash., McConnell AFB, Kan., Little Rock AFB, Ark., Pease AFB, N.H., Loring AFB,

Maine, Wurtsmith AFB, Mich., and Shaw AFB, S.C.

Applications must be submitted on or before Thursday. Questions can be answered by Captain Negley at Ext. 2643.

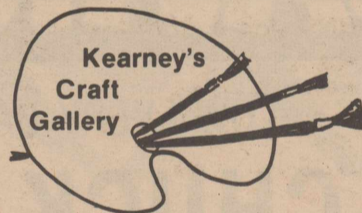
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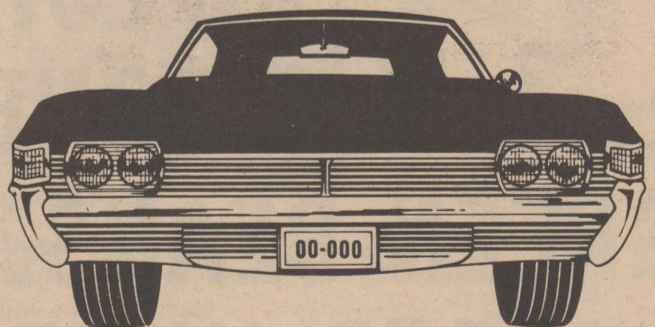


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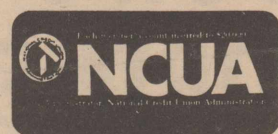
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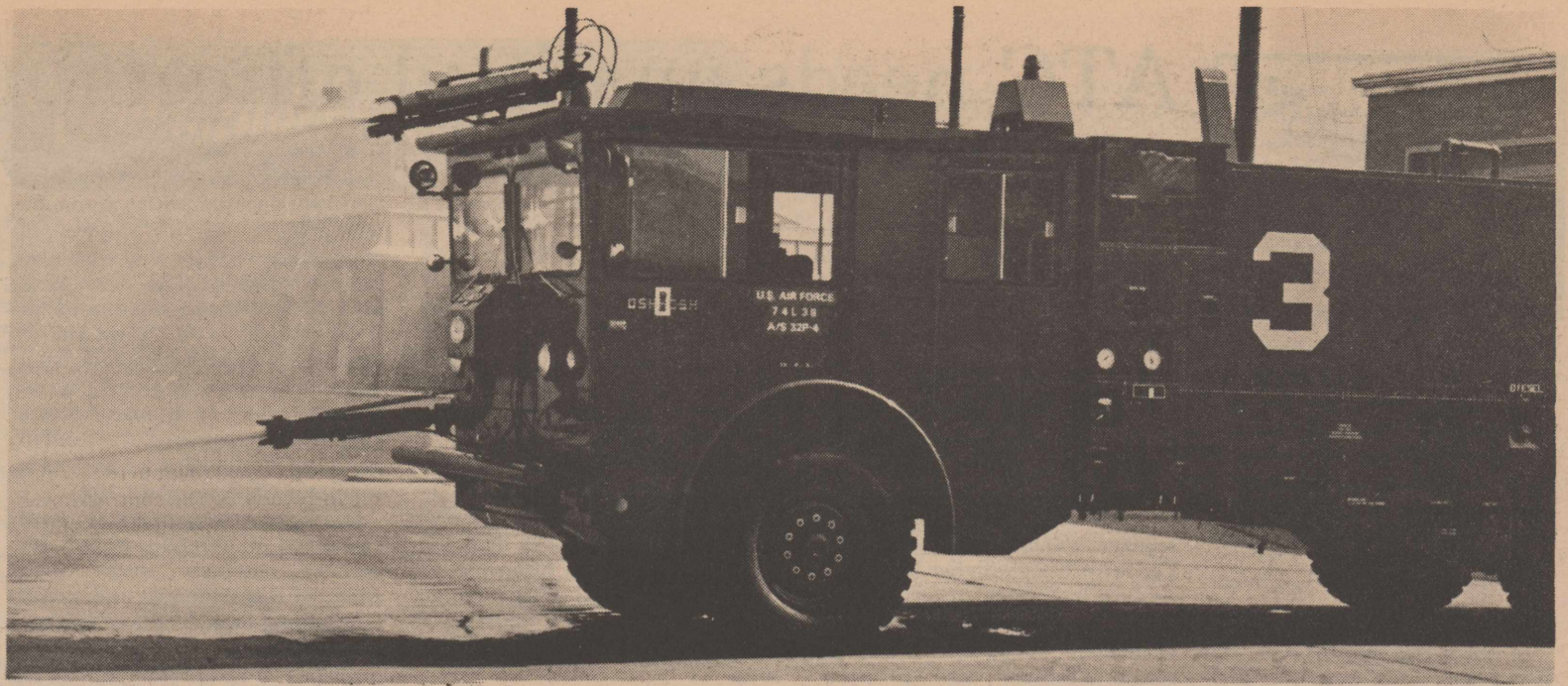
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**FIRE FIGHTER**—Reese firemen try out the new P-4 Crash Vehicle's equipment shortly after its arrival at Reese. The new addition to the fire fighting force is just one of the two vehicles Reese has recently received that will modernize the base's capability to deal with aircraft emergencies. (U.S. Air Force Photo by SSgt. Dennis Mehrenberg)

## Spoon playing: a 'no talent' talent

By Lighthouse

Just like actors, writers are born hams who like to get up in front of a group of people and without too much embarrassment, make complete fools out of themselves.

I have tried to control this urge in the past, without much success, so I decided that this year I would put this foolishness to some use. As you may or may not know, the Mathis Recreation Center is going to hold a base wide Talent Show in June, so I figured that this would be my big chance to get up in front of a crowd and maybe win something in the bargain.

### Fame and Fortune

As soon as the Center opened, I went down to sign my name on the dotted line and then sit back to wait for fame and fortune. Upon entering the Center, I got some good news and some bad news.

The good news was that only two people have signed up for the talent contest. That pretty much left the field wide open. I mean, if I just entered in one of the categories that the other two weren't in, I couldn't help but win. The bad news was that none of my talents quite fit the categories. Read on and see what I mean:

"Hi, I'm here to sign up for the Talent Show." I gave my best stage, screen and television smile.

"Fine. Now what category did you want to enter?" the lady behind the desk pulled out the application forms.

"Well, I suppose that I should enter the musical category."

"Are you a singer, a musician or a combination?"

I thought for a minute and then said, "I suppose I'm more of a musician."

The lady was busily writing on the application form, "And what instrument do you play?"

"The spoon."

### Say What?

"Uh, you mean the spoons, don't you?" she stopped writing.

"No, just one spoon. I haven't mastered using two spoons yet, but I'm a real unsung hero on one spoon. I can play a spoon and a chair, a spoon and a water cooler and I can even play a spoon and a cooked sausage. I just can't play two spoons."

"I'm afraid that we don't have a category for a spoon player." She started to put the forms away.

"Oh, well listen, that isn't all I can do." I started doing a little soft shoe shuffle on the floor in front of her desk, no easy feat in combat boots.

"Sorry, but there isn't a dancing category either."

"How about gardening? I figure that by the time the contest rolls around, I could grow a beautiful hybiscus."

She was skaking her head and pointing to the door. I got the feeling that I was being asked out.

### Tears of Rejection

"I want to tell you, before I go back to the office and breakdown in a torrent of tears and rejection, that I

really wanted to get in this contest. It was my lifelong dream—since I was a boy all I wanted to do was enter a talent show. Now all of that is gone, gone forever." I put on my hat and reached for the door. "The story of my life. . ." I murmured, "I just can't fit in anywhere."

"Wait a minute," she called after me, "How about Potpourri?"

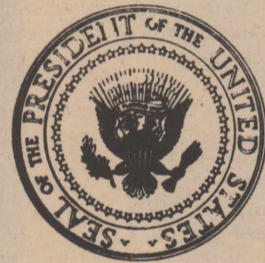
"That's very kind," I said, "But I already ate, thank you."

## Observance set for small businesses

William M. Weeks, Reese small business specialist, has announced that the week beginning Sunday and ending May 25 has been proclaimed National Small Business week by the President of the United States.

In support of the Small Business program, the Reese Procurement Division has awarded over \$1.5 million this fiscal year to small business concerns.

The Presidential Proclamation follows:



## Small Business Week, 1974

By the President of the United States of America

### A Proclamation

The history of America is in large measure the history of independent enterprise. From the earliest days of our history, the trader and the merchant, pushing westward, laid the foundations for what has become the world's greatest economic achievement. "What most astonishes me," wrote de Tocqueville of our young Nation in the 1830's "is not so much the marvelous grandeur of some undertaking as the innumerable multitude of small ones."

It is upon the foundation established by those small undertakings that the most dynamic society known to man has been built. And today America's small businesses continue to thrive.

Nineteen out of every twenty firms are considered small business. They provide approximately 35 million jobs and contribute more than \$476 billion annually to the gross national product.

The pioneering spirit that underlies our success as a Nation will continue to flourish for as long as the small businessman remains the mainstay of our economy and our society.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICHARD NIXON, President of the United States of America, do hereby designate the week beginning May 19, 1974, as Small Business Week. I ask all Americans to share with me during this week a deep pride in the many accomplishments of our Nation's small businessmen and women, and in the invaluable contribution they have made to our free way of life.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this fourth day of April, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred seventy-four, and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred ninety-eighth.

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# VETERANS ASK . . .

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**Q**—My education allowance check for last month has not arrived from the Veterans Administration. What should I do?

**A**—Write to the VA regional office which has custody of your claims file. Be sure to provide your name, claim number and address.

**Q**—I was discharged from service about two months ago, and found the cost of homes so high my wife and I have decided on a mobile home. Will the Veterans Administration guarantee a loan for both the mobile home and land to place it on?

**A**—Yes. The maximum guaranty for mobile homes is \$10,000, which can be increased to \$17,500 if the loan includes site acquisition.

**Q**—I lost my National Service Life Insurance policy which I have continued since W.W. II. Will the Veterans Administration provide a copy?

**A**—Yes. Request a copy from the Veterans Administration Insurance Center where you pay your premiums. If you had a paid-up policy, direct your request to the VA Insurance Center in Philadelphia.

**Q**—My father was killed in service during the Vietnam War which makes me eligible for War Orphans Educational Assistance from the Veterans Administration. However, I have joined the Army, and would like to take advantage of the program while in service. Is this possible?

**A**—No. A person eligible under the War Orphans Educational Assistance program may not utilize its benefits while in service.

**Q**—Are WW II veterans eligible for pensions? I'm 65, and my wife and I need more than the \$3,000 annual income we now live on. I served in WW II, but I wasn't wounded.

**A**—Any 65-year-old veteran who served a minimum of 90 days and received an other than dishonorable discharge is considered permanently and totally disabled for pension purposes. As a married man with your income, you could be eligible for \$69 per month pension at current rates.

**Q**—When a veteran who dies of service connected causes is buried in a private cemetery, will the Veterans Administration pay the \$150 plot allowance in addition to the \$800 allowance for funeral expenses?

**A**—No. The \$800 payment is for all funeral costs, including a burial plot. However, if death occurs in a VA facility, an additional amount is payable to transport the deceased to place of burial.

**Q**—Is it true that veterans no longer have to apply for certificates of eligibility for education and training benefits? I hear that the Veterans Administration mails them to veterans so that they no longer have to apply in person. Because I didn't apply when I got out two years ago, will VA send mine through the mail?

**A**—The new system is keyed to the list of discharges now being furnished by the Department of Defense. Because you were discharged before the automatic system was established, it will be necessary for you to file application for your benefits at the local VA office.

Air Training Command (ATC) has received a quota from the Air Force Military Personnel Center (AFMPC) to train two officers in special graduate level courses to obtain doctors of philosophy degrees.

The officers will then be assigned in one of three fields for a three-year tour at an ATC base.

A message was received by the Reese Consolidated Base Personnel Office (CBPO) this week stating the details. Nominations will be made by each ATC base and the final selection will be made in early June. The two officers will then be sent to a civilian institution to receive their PhD degrees in education technology, education or social science-industrial and personnel psychology.

The program is being coordinated by the Air Force Institute of Technology (AFIT). The civilian institution will be selected by AFIT and the officers selected from ATC will be screened by education

officials before the final approval by the ATC Command Section.

The program is the Commander's Option Program FY 75. Officers eligible under the following criteria must be nominated by their squadron commanders to the training branch of the Reese CBPO, as soon as possible due the suspense placed on inputs to ATC by May 31. Criteria for individual nominations are: The individual must be a captain or major when he (or she) enters the program; He must be on regular or reserve status; he (or she) must have a record of superior performance and, for rated officers only, the individual must have an instructor pilot or instructor navigator tour date prior to August, 1972.

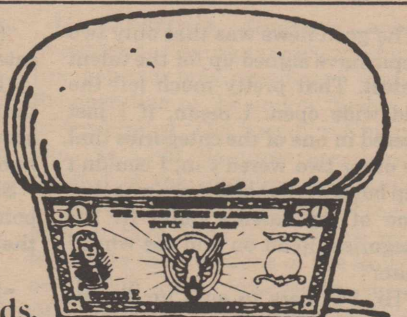
Officers nominated for the PhD in education must have completed a masters program in general education with a combined Graduate Records Examination (GRE) score of at least 1,100. Those nominated for the Educational

Technology field must have completed a masters program in General Education with a minimum background of 15 hours in mathematics. He (or she) must also have a combined GRE score of at least 1,150. Officers nominated for industrial and personnel psychology must have completed a masters program in psychological measurements or human factors and have a background of at least 15 hours in mathematics as well as a combined GRE score of 1,150.

Squadron commanders at Reese are urged to carefully search for possible nominees within their areas of responsibility and notify the training branch of the CBPO as soon as possible for details on the procedure of nomination as well as additional facts.

The training branch is located in room 9 of the CBPO, Bldg. T-815. The telephone number is ext. 2744.

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Sir:  
 I would just like to know why we can't organize a track team on base for those interested in it.

Amn. Shirley Moore

Airman Moore:  
 In the past we had track and field teams and participated in competition that led to USAF and ATC are not sponsoring track and field competitions. Therefore, track and field has not been included in our base Athletic Program. If we had a track and field team, there is little competition available in the local area. For those who may be outstanding in a particular track and field event, there are means which afford the opportunity to be selected to attend the Air Force Training Camp to prepare for Olympic competition.

Sir:  
 I would like to make a comment on the movie theater. The other night I went there at 8:30 p.m. and I wanted to see a picture that wasn't over but they wouldn't let me. It seems that an airman should be able to see a movie if he wants to. I think it would be a fair deal that as long as somebody wants to come in, to keep the box office open for them.

Sgt. Horace Anderson

Sergeant Anderson:  
 In accordance with AFR 34-33, paragraph 2-8, the ticket cashier at

the theater is to open the box office 30 minutes prior to the scheduled performance and close it 15 minutes after the start of the main feature. Keeping the box office open longer than 15 minutes following the start of the main feature would be a waste of manpower and money. Most of the people wishing to see the movie are in their seats by then and the additional 75 cents or \$1 which would occasionally be collected would not cover the cost of keeping the cashier on duty an extra half hour. It is our desire to serve everyone adequately and to increase the theater attendance, but at the same time we are desirous of efficient personnel and financial management. It would also be a disservice to the people already in their seats to be disturbed by someone coming in a half hour after the feature has begun.

Sir:  
 I was wondering why in the last two months there has not been a toilet bowl in the men's latrine in the BX Snack Bar.

Sgt. Rosillo

Sergeant Rosillo:  
 Certainly I can agree it seems ridiculous that two months are needed to purchase a commode. Unfortunately it's true. A commode was ordered March 17 and as of this date it has not been received. To avoid further inconvenience a substitute taken from another building was installed May 10. In researching your query, I find you

work in Civil Engineering. It is my understanding no mention of this condition has been conveyed to your supervisors. The CARE Line is a valuable thing and it has my 100 per cent support, but we must use the chain of command and other "normal" means of communication, too. Let's get the regular system working!

Sir:  
 I would like to know very much why the street lights are still on at 7:15 and the sun is shining. It is a beautiful day so why are those street lights still on?

No Name

We have been experiencing a malfunction with the time clocks controlling the exterior lighting circuits. The problem is now corrected. Thank you for your concern. In the future, please report energy conservation items to the "CONSERVE Line" (dial C-N-S-V).

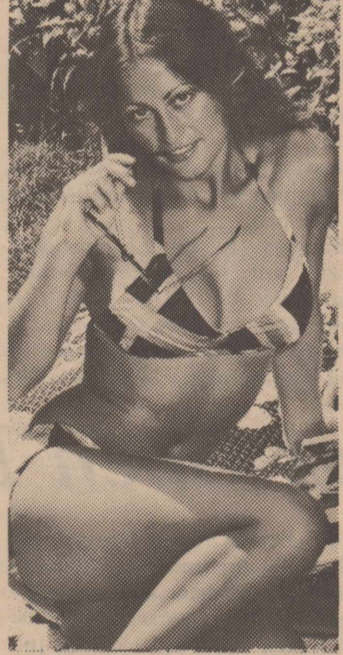
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# entertainment

## flick flack

The film entertainment at the Simler Theater this week is highlighted by two musical films about two of America's most well known personalities. Then there is the usual serving of police adventure, comedy and terror.

The base theater schedules features at 8 p.m. Tuesday through Sunday, unless otherwise noted. The special Saturday matinee begins at 2 p.m. Tickets may be obtained at the theater one half-hour before showtime.

**Tonight and Saturday Evening**  
Goldie Hawn stars with Ben Johnson in "The Sugarland Express." Just out of a Texas prison, Hawn and her husband (played by William Atherton) kidnap a Texas Highway Patrolman to use as a safe passage hostage until they can reach Sugarland. Once in Sugarland, they plan to recover their son who is being cared for by some foster

parents. It is a touching, tense and funny PG-rated film.

**Saturday Matinee**  
"Elvis on Tour," will delight fans of the immortal and timeless singer, Elvis Presley. Depicting concerts, guest appearances and the life and relaxation of the famous singer, the film captures the moods and motivations of Elvis and shows why he has become more popular through the years and sold more than 125 million records. Rated G.

**Sunday**  
"Jimi Hendrix" is a film about the career and personal life of the late, great rock guitarist. It traces the years of obscurity, the gradual discovery of his talent and his eventual success. Film sequences are taken from concerts at Monterey, Woodstock and the Isle of Wight. This film is rated R.

**Tuesday and Wednesday**  
Julie Christie and Donald

Sutherland (star of "M\*A\*S\*H") star together in "Don't Look Now." A supernatural suspense thriller about a couple who become entangled in the powers of the world beyond the living, the movie will keep you on the edge of your seat with excitement. Some scenes are unsuitable for preteens. Rated R.

**Thursday**  
"Serpico," is the real police adventure of a New York city policeman who singlehandedly tries to clean up police corruption and political control over the department. Threatened by fellow officers who don't want the corruption cleaned up, Serpico is threatened, shot and finally is forced to leave the United States in fear of his life. Al Pacino received an Academy Award nomination for this excellent film. Rated R.

## at Mathis

**Today**—The presentation of the awards in the Mathis Recreation Center design contest will begin at 7 p.m., followed by a Soul Dance at 8 p.m. at the Center.

**Tomorrow**—There will be a talent rehearsal for those who are going to participate in the basewide talent show at 2 p.m. The weekly pool tournament will begin at 5:30 p.m.

**Sunday**—Plenty of competitive spirit will be at the Center beginning at 1 p.m., with the pinochle tournament followed at 2 p.m. by a talent practice session and the beginning of the weekly

table tennis tournament.  
**Monday**—The Recreation Center advisory Council will meet at 1 p.m. If you have any suggestions concerning the operation of the Center, contact your council representative. At 6 p.m. the Take Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS) Club will meet, and at 7 p.m. the Boondock Rodeo Club will hold its meeting.

**Tuesday**—The Center has declared this week as Fishing Week and will begin the program with some slides and demonstrations of different

fishing techniques. Fish and Chips will be served and some action films will also be shown.

**Wednesday**—The Blood Services of Lubbock will be conducting a blood drive on base at the Center from 1 to 5 p.m. t 7:30 p.m., the Texas Tech School of Law will be presenting a lecture.

**Thursday**—Special Services will hold a staff meeting at 3 p.m. and for the "oldie and goldies" fans, there will be a Rock-Ola hits dance at 7 p.m. Come on in for the dancing or just good listening pleasure.

## at Open Messes

Tonight the Officer's Open Mess will begin the week's activities with a floor show starring the members of Class 75-02.

The floor show will begin at 10 p.m.

Before the floor show, enjoy a special lobster tail dinner and glass of wine for \$4.95 and dancing to the music of "The Electric Ear." Tomorrow, the Officer's Open Mess will hold a special Armed

Forces Day Open House. The evening meal special will be a rib eye steak and glass of wine for \$3.95.

On Tuesday, there will be a newcomers reception for the members and families of Class 75-06 beginning at 8 p.m. in the dining room.

"Los Pobres," a dance band, will provide entertainment for NCO Open Mess patrons tonight,

followed by music from "The Continentals" tomorrow night.

Discotheque is a regular feature of the club every Thursday and Sunday night.

The mess dining room is open from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. and from 5 to 9 p.m. Monday through Friday. It is open from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturdays and is closed Sundays and holidays.


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RANDOLPH AFB, Tex. (AFNS) - Airmen serving in the continental United States (CONUS) or on a long tour overseas will be considered for short tour assignments under a new policy announced here by the Air Force Military Personnel Center.

Although the new policy will mean that some members will receive involuntary consecutive overseas tours (ICOTs), center officials said it also means increased equity in short tour assignments and significant savings in permanent change of station money.

In the past, to avoid ICOTs, only one serving in a CONUS assignment was selected for a short tour. This meant if the airman most eligible for a short tour was serving

a long tour overseas, he would be returned to the CTNUS for one year, while someone further down the eligibility list went on the short tour. Then, a year later, both airmen were moved again. Now, only the airman most eligible for a short tour will move—avoiding two PCS moves and the resultant hardship and expense for the individual.

Recent legislation facilitated the policy change by authorizing leave-connented travel to the CTNUS on a PCS between consecutive overseas assignments. It provides government-paid travel and family relocation when one of the overseas stations involves an unaccompanied tour.

Before the bill was signed, individuals were restricted by law from being paid for travel to the states between consecutive overseas tours, unless the most direct route traversed the CONUS. As a result, Air Force didn't select airmen for such moves, officials explained.

The new policy encompasses ICOT assignments from long to short tour areas only, and an individual selected must meet service retainability requirements to complete the short tour. After serving the ICOT, he will be ineligible for overseas duty for two years, except as a volunteer.

To allow advance planning, airmen on long tours, who are vulnerable for a short tour, will receive a "notification of overseas assignment freeze status," the same as CTNUS-based airmen.

The importance of the Airman Assignment Preference Statement (F Form 392) will increase with implementation of the ICOT selection policy, and center officials urge airmen to make sure the short tour preferences on their forms are current.



**STOCK CHECK**—Mrs. Isabell Floyd, an employee at the Base Exchange Service Station, checks her files for a part number before placing the item on order. Mrs. Floyd was chosen as the Exchange Service Employee of the Quarter from workers employed in over six military installations in the West Texas area. (U.S. Air Force Photo by Amn. Dave McGill)

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By 1st Lt. "Pete" Peterson

Things were pretty stable this week in the 54th... we didn't even have any big personnel changes.

The big topic of the week seems to be the "Wodie" bus trip to McGregor, Tex., for 1st Lt. Rick Chabot's wedding. This has to go down on the book as one of the world's wildest weekends. It all began at noon May 10 on a special chartered bus. There were 16 squadron members on the bus, the names of whom will remain anonymous to protect the innocent.

After seven hours on the highway the troupe arrived in Waco, Tex., "red-eyed" and bushy-tailed. And, after seven hours of indulging in their favorite spirits, we actually turned eight of the guys loose with sabres to practice for a real military wedding. Luckily the practice was

bloodless, in spite of their efforts.

The wedding went as planned, with one exception. A nameless captain, seeing opportunity to "surprise" the bride in the rear with his sabre, took advantage of the situation. Ouch!

The after wedding excitement was almost too much for the city of Waco. When the wife of one of our "Gorillas" roof-stomped the motel... that did it. That goes to prove that "you can take a Gorilla out of the jungle, but..."

We are happy to report, however, that Rick and his new bride are alive and well in Acapulco.

We'd also like to congratulate Capt. Dorin Balls on his F-4 assignment to Thailand. He will be leaving us in July and he'll be missed.

## BX holds clearance sale

DALLAS (AFNS) - Army and Air Force exchanges (AAFES) worldwide will be holding their semiannual clearance sale between

July 8 and 13 as they make room for fall merchandise. That means AAFES retail outlets will be selling summer merchandise at lower prices until the shelves are bare, AAFES officials said.

Exchanges also will be preparing for the oncoming back-to-school rush with school supplies and clothing.

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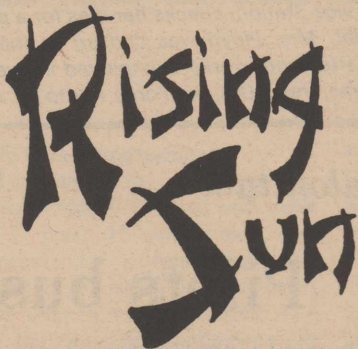
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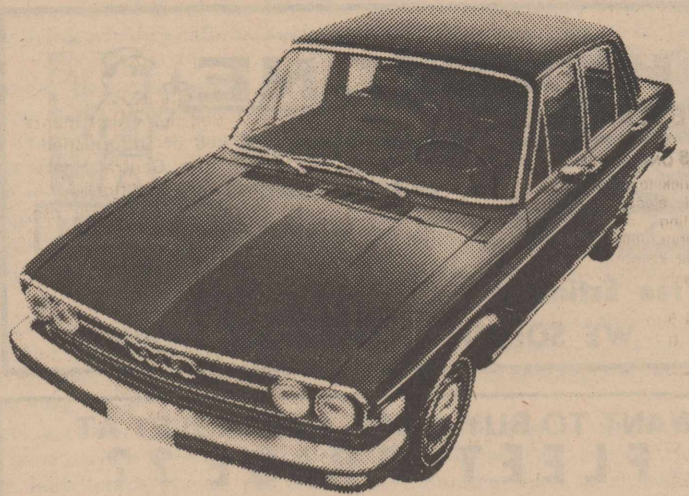
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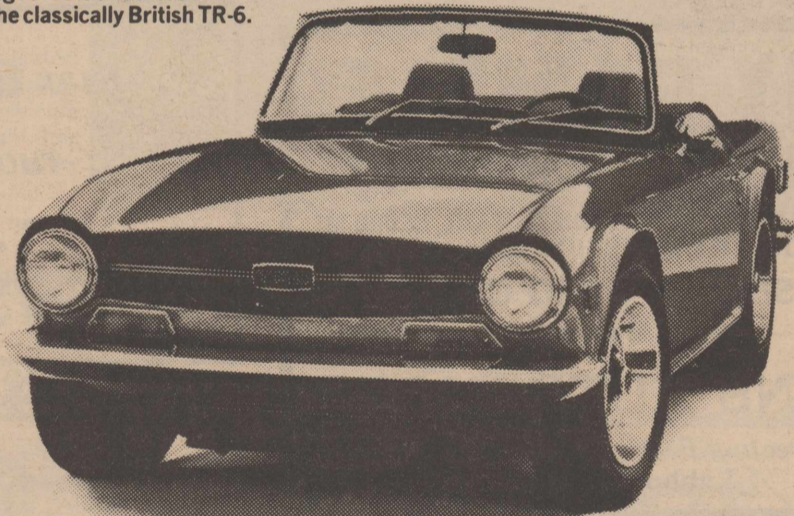
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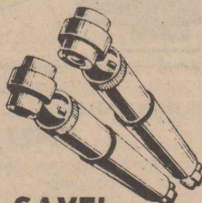
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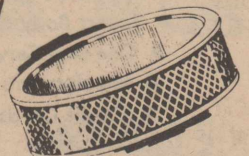
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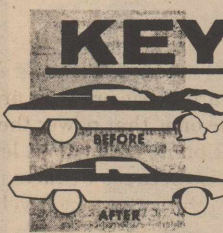


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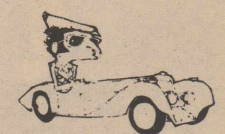
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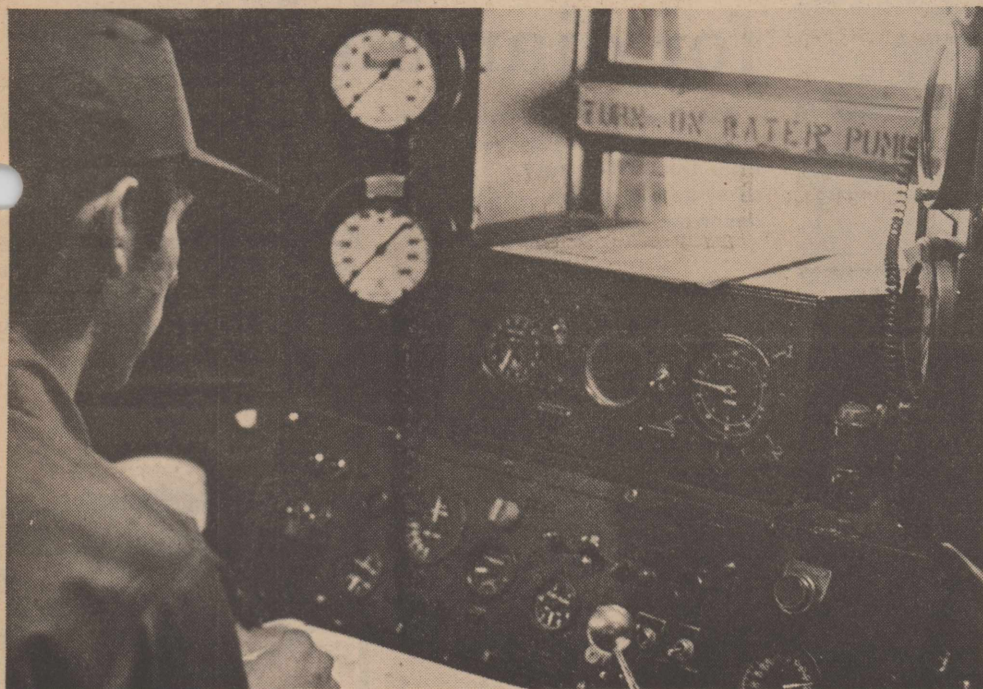
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**BIG DOG WHISTLE**—The J-69 jet engine used in the Cessna T-37 jet trainer and frequently called "the big dog whistle" because of its high pitched whine, goes through one of the tests required to put the engine back into service.

People who have been close to a tornado when it hits have invariably described the sound as a deep rumbling, increasing to a high powerful roar that you can feel even more than you can hear.

There are few people who would be willing to relive an experience like that, much less go through it every day. Yet there are 19 people at Reese who work around that kind of sound and power each day.

## Heat, Flame and Sound

The Test Cell Section of the 64th Field Maintenance Squadron seems to be constantly immersed in heat, flame and sound so penetrating that even the double insulated walls of the engine control houses cannot keep it out.

The Test Cell is equipped with four separate testing beds, two for the J-85 engines and two for the J-69 engines. The J-85 test beds are constructed to withstand a thrust of 20,000 pounds and the J-69 beds will hold the engine in place against 2,000 pounds of thrust.

The purpose of the Test Cell is to troubleshoot, repair and perform control checks on the jet engines used in the aircraft at Reese. After an engine has been repaired in the line engine shop, it is sent to the testing facility to be mounted on one of the test beds and then it is checked.

According to MSgt. Phillip Shippee, NCOIC of the Test Cell, "Even if the engine was just taken out of the plane to have a fuel line replaced, it still comes down to this shop for us to check it out. We act as a quality control check on the Engine Shops and as a troubleshooter for flight line maintenance. Sometimes we'll get an engine that is not running just as it should, but nobody has been able to find the trouble. We put it up on the stand and run it, using our instruments to check certain areas that normally can't be seen while the engine is still in the aircraft."

## Sensitive and Accurate

Sergeant Shippee turned around and pointed to a gauge on the wall of the engine control house, "There is a gauge like that one up on the line, but it is not as sensitive or accurate as the one we have here. With our instruments we can detect a fuel or oil leak that might be reducing the output of the engine, but which still isn't apparent enough to be found on the flight line. There are a lot of things like that that we have to take care of. Sooner or later," he said, "every engine on the flightline will come down to us."

During the last 12 months, just as Sergeant Shippee said, every engine has been down to the Test Cell at one time or another. Engines have been mounted and run at the test facility more than 2,500 times an average of about 10 a day. The Test Cell is run on a 24-hour schedule, five days a week. If the flying schedule calls for weekend flying, then the test facility is operating on those days too.

Jack Browder, the work section supervisor, said that it was a funny thing about the noise. "The amount of noise that's heard around the base depends on a lot of things that we don't even have control over. The temperature, wind direction and speed and barometric pressure are just a few of the things that affect the noise level. The J-85 engines (the ones that power the T-38 aircraft) are tested on a stand that has a sound suppression device on it, so the noise level is pretty low. The J-69 engine is run without a sound suppression device because we have found that isn't necessary. The Surgeon General comes out here regularly to check the noise levels and by the time he reaches the road leading to the golf course, you can hardly hear the engines at all.

## Complaints

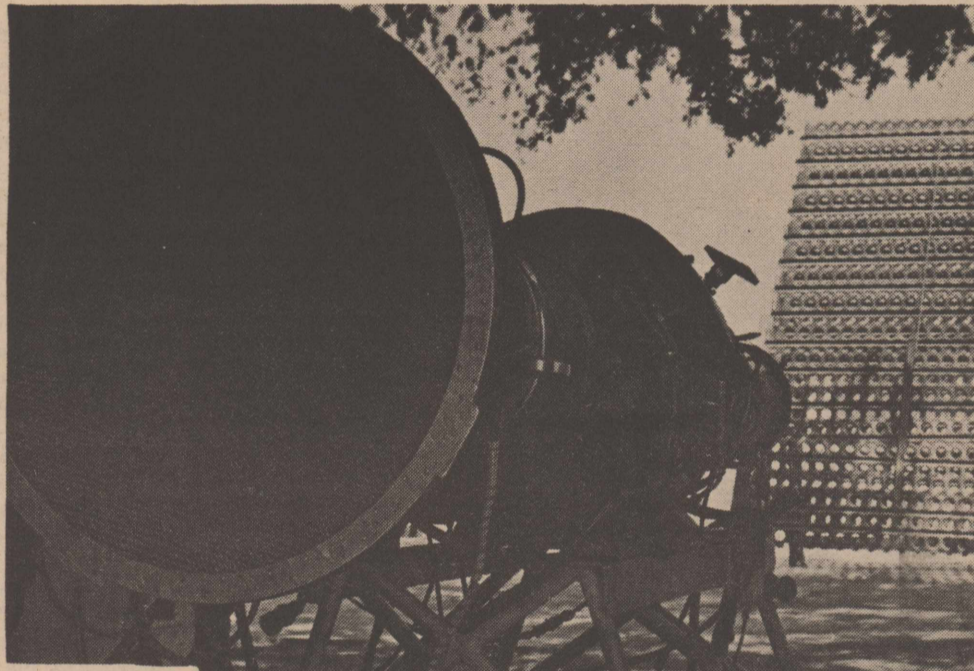
"Before we installed the sound suppression devices in 1969, we got quite a few calls over here complaining about the noise. We still get a few now, but not nearly as many as we used to. We're scheduled to get a new test facility and since the test facilities will be completely enclosed, the noise will go down even more."

The Test Cell acts just like a field laboratory for testing engines. After the variable conditions that can affect engine performance are evaluated (outside temperature, barometric pressure and wet and dry bulb temperatures) the engine performance chart is altered for these considerations and then a value is placed on the engine's expected run. Then the actual performance is measured against the expected performance to derive the actual capability of the engine. It is a tough and exacting job, but the people who work on the engines get a great deal of satisfaction from their job.

## Professional Attitude

Floyd Rich, civilian leader of the facility, said, "The job has to be done with a professional attitude. Anything that is less than a professional job will give less than professional results. The pilots here are entitled to fly an aircraft with an absolutely dependable engine. That's our job, so that's exactly what they get."

Just as this reporter was leaving, a deep, freight train roar was beginning to rise from one of the engine stands as an engine was being started for another run. I watched while one of the men went over to the engine to check its performance. Every now and then he would wince and press his hands over his ear protectors, but I got the feeling that this professional, for all of the noise, wouldn't trade his job for anything.



**CONTROL MONITOR**—A1C Wilfred Contreras looks over the instruments that are gauging the performance of a J-85 jet engine during a test run. The engine, used in the Talon T-38 jet trainer, will be run approximately 45 minutes during the test.

## Two points of view about reenlistment.



I must admit, I was very happy when George went off to join the Air Force. My son, going off to be a man! After all, his life was going nowhere. He couldn't get a decent job and my husband thought he was a little old to be sitting around the house watching television. So, we were really proud of him. You know what I mean?

Now, he's been in the Air Force for four years. I guess he must really like it. I know it's his life, but I just don't see him as much as I would like to. Last time he came home, he only stayed for thirty days. Now, you tell me, "Is that any way to treat his mother?" Oh, we get letters from Los Angeles, Spain, London... the kid thinks he's some kind of good-will ambassador. I guess that's why he doesn't want to come home. In his last letter from Thailand, he told me he was going to reenlist. I told him Anna Pickering had grown up to be a beautiful girl and would certainly make him a nice wife. And the house next door is up for sale. It would make a lovely first home. He still wants to reenlist. What's a mother supposed to do? Well, it's his life.

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My mom, bless her soul, just doesn't understand that she can't have her cake and eat it too. First, she wants me to get out of the house and make something of myself. Once I'm gone, she wants to know why I'm not home more often. What's a son supposed to do? Well, it's my life and I have to do what's best for me. She doesn't know it, but it's best for her, too. That's why I'm reenlisting in the Air Force. I've thought about it. If I were a civilian, I would have to work for the same company almost 15 years before I could get a 30-day paid vacation. My mother says that's no reason. I like to travel and my job in the Air Force takes me to some of the most exotic places in the world. Few outside jobs would offer me that. My mother says that's no reason.

When I told her about all the benefits I have that couldn't be matched in civilian life, including a guarantee on my future, you know what she said? "That's no reason." This time she had to argue with my pop. He's been a working civilian for a long time and he knows a good reason when he hears one. In the meantime, I'm doing exactly what I told mom she couldn't do. I'm having my cake and eating it, too.

Story and Photos by Sgt. Cal Anweiler

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**BASE HIT**—Kris Adams, first baseman for the Better 1/2, waits on a throw from center field in an attempt to tag out Barbara Hogan of the Red Hots. The Red Hots kept up their hitting streak to hand the Better 1/2 a lopsided 12-0 defeat. (U.S. Air Force Photo by Sgt. Cal Anweiler)

## Air Force to hold judo tryouts

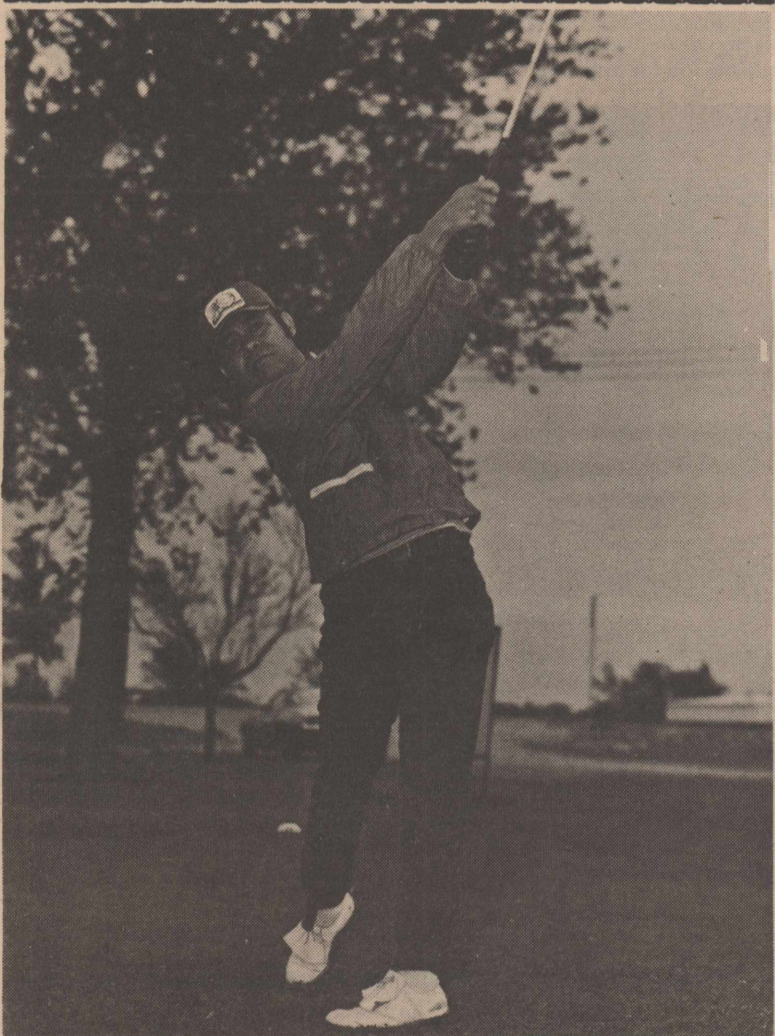
Lackland AFB, Tex. will host a tryout program, July 1-20, to select a U.S. Armed Forces judo team to compete in the 1974 championships of the Conseil International du Sport Militaire (CISM) at Rio de Janeiro, in mid-August.

The Air Force, like the other services, will be limited to 10 participants in the tryout program. Therefore, only judo athletes with national level or higher experience should apply, a message from the Air Force Military Personnel Center at Randolph AFB to the Reese Consolidated Base Personnel Office (CBPO) advised.

"This is not a development program for inexperienced players," the message continued. Players may submit an application letter directly to the personnel center. The deadline in May 28. The center advises applicants to begin workouts upon submission of the letter to insure they are in top physical condition by the opening of the tryouts.

"Level of training program during tryouts, plus calibre of competition in CISM games, demands an unusually high degree of physical fitness and stamina," the instructions added.

The Reese CBPO has more details and can assist applicants in applying for the tryouts.



**MIGHTY SWING**—Robert Narvaiz, Director of Jobs for Progress in Lubbock, warms up before the start of the benefit Latin American golf tournament Saturday. The tournament was held to raise money for the Latin American Club scholarship fund. (U.S. Air Force Photo by A1C Willie Shirley)

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## Rattlers prepare for diamond battle

The Reese Rattlers Fast Pitch Softball team will play host to the team from Webb AFB, Tex., in a three-game series today and tomorrow.

this page or call TSgt. Demcy or SSgt. Martinez at Ext. 2207 or 2783.

The first battle between the two teams will begin at 6 p.m. tonight at the lighted field on War Highway north of Reese Village and east of the USAF Hospital. Tomorrow will see a double-header at 11 a.m. and 1 p.m.

The Rattlers Slow Pitch Softball Team presently hold second place in the Lubbock Slow Pitch League. The team also came in second in the pre-season tournament, according to gym officials.

The base gym has also announced that a meeting will be held at 3 p.m. at the gym Monday to choose an intramural golf all-team captain. The deadline for intramural golf sign-ups will be 4 p.m. today.

Reese personnel will be afforded the chance to try out for the U.S. Armed Forces Judo Team at Lackland AFB, Tex., during July 1-20. For more information read the article concerning the tryouts on

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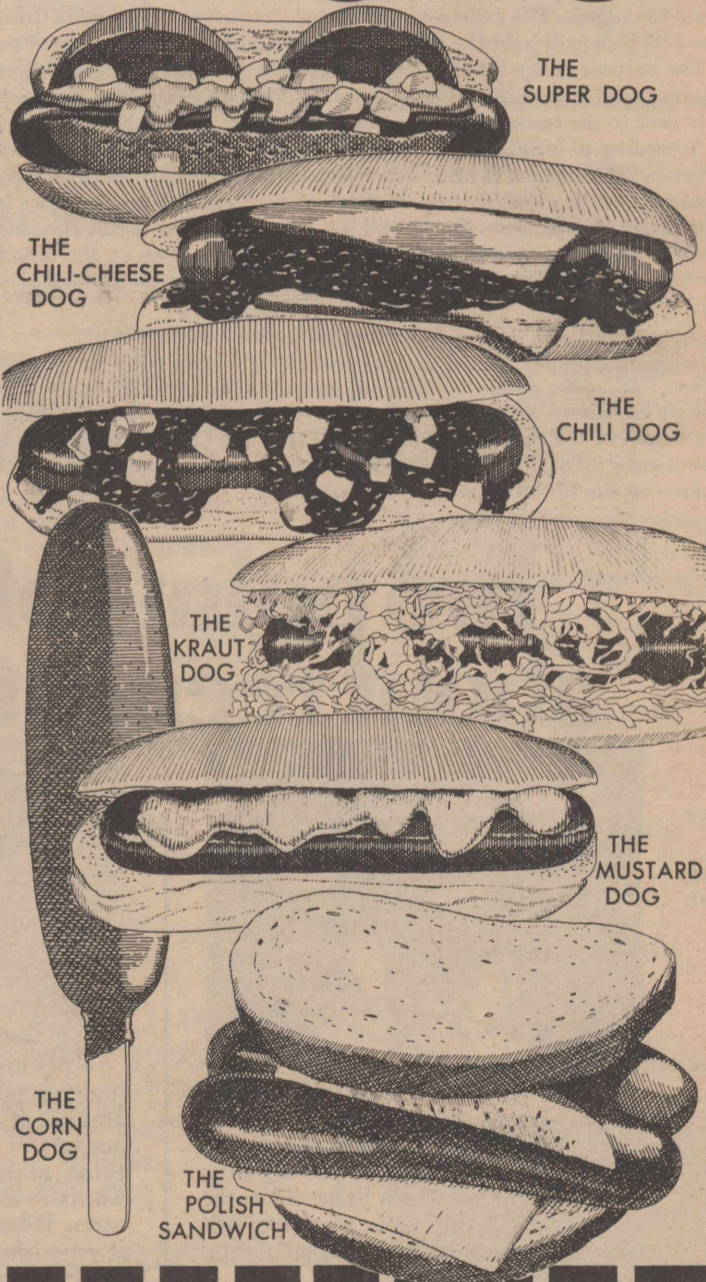
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