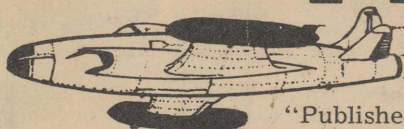
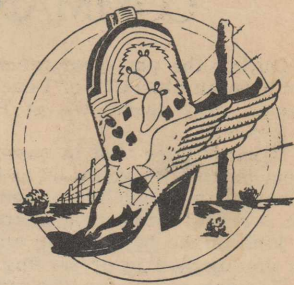


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Base Begins Holiday Schedule Today

Base Newspaper Named As Class Tops In ATC

Reese this week held a new honor with selection of "The Roundup" as the best newspaper of its class in Air Training Command.

Announcement of the award was made at the annual conference of ATC information officers and editors in command headquarters last weekend. Silver loving cups were presented winners by Brig. Gen. Dwight O. Monteith, ATC chief of staff.

"The Roundup" was winner in Class II among newspapers published on bases with total population between 1,000 and 5,000. Judges said papers in the class, as a whole, were superior to those in other classes.

Judges also stated the Reese newspaper was the best looking of all submitted by ATC bases.

Special praise was given "The Roundup" for its pictures, for use of the paper by the base commander as a management tool, and for its NCO and Officers Wives Club columns.

Papers from all winning bases including "The Roundup" are being sent to Washington to compete in the Air Force-wide contest.

Other winners included: Class I, bases of less than 1,000 population—Bartow "Flight Log", first; Bainbridge "Southern Star", second.

Class II—Perrin "Interceptor", second.

Class III, bases of 5,000 to 10,000—Mather "Wing Tips", first; Randolph "Wingspread", second.

Class IV, bases of more than 10,000—Lackland "Talespinner", first; Lowry "Airman", second.

Class V, newspaper serving more than one base—"Air Force Recruiter".



New Secretary Of Air Force Named

Dudley C. Sharp last Friday took the oath of office as Secretary of the Air Force, climaxing four years of service the Texas businessman has given to the Air Force.

The "Roundup" is going on leave for the next two weeks. The next issue will appear on Jan. 8. The newspaper staff wishes all base personnel a joyous holiday.

Sharp, 54, succeeds James H. Douglas, who became deputy Secretary of Defense. The appointments were made by President Eisenhower and are subject to Senate confirmation.

Sharp has been serving as Under Secretary of the Air Force since Aug. 3, 1959. Previously he was Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Materiel from Oct. 3, 1955, to Jan. 31, 1959, when he resigned to become vice chairman of the Board of the Mission Manufacturing Co., Houston.

Pilot Training Ends For Year; Highway Travel Safety Stressed

Reese began its holiday schedule today as pilot training halted at noon and some persons granted leave started journeys to distant points.

Unit commanders were told to keep half their people on duty. Shifts large enough to perform needed functions will remain in offices.

Thursday afternoon has been designated an official holiday and

*Christmas and the Saturday following also are holidays. Reese will resume full functioning again on Monday, Jan. 4.

Recreational facilities on the base will remain open during the holidays.

Emphasis has been placed on an accident-free holiday period, with special stress on highway travel. Residents also were urged to guard against fire hazards which may occur because of Christmas celebrations.

Officials estimated Reese people will travel a half million miles during the holidays, some of the travel through bad weather conditions.

New Year's Eve parties will highlight activities of the Officers' and NCO Clubs. Officers were urged to make reservations early.

For children, a highlight of the holidays will come Saturday in the annual Christmas party in Building P-82: A large Christmas tree has been erected and children from 1 to 12 years of age have been invited. Close to 700 are expected. Gifts will be presented.

Santa Claus has indicated he will arrive for the party and a short program has been arranged, with the Girl Scouts and Toastmasters participating.

Squadrons and other units have put up decorations for the holiday season and prizes are offered for the best decorated homes in the housing area.

Members of Boy Scout Troop 148 will have about 400 repaired toys ready for distribution.

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Moral, Spiritual Duty In Avoiding Crashes Stressed

Reese people have a moral and spiritual obligation to eliminate accidents during the holidays. Sgt. Fred Marshall of the Texas Department of Public Safety, declared in a closing action in "Operation Homesafe" pre-holiday talk.

Traffic safety is a spiritual concern," he told two packed base theatre audiences Tuesday. "A commandment says 'Thou shall not kill.' We have the moral obligation to protect the lives of ourselves, our families, and all others. It never is a question of who was wrong in a highway accident. It is who was most wrong."

The sergeant said it is unfortunate that the highway death toll is heaviest at Christmas-time when people are speeding to visit relatives and friends.

"But too many of us take the holiday spirit in liquid form. A mixture of the bottle and throttle too often dims the Star of Bethlehem."

He said that traffic accidents cause a death each 13 minutes and the accident cost is \$100 per family a year. Half the people of the nation will be involved in a highway accident during their

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Studying the manger in the Base Chapel are Marshall Craft, Jr., Jennie Yordani, Elizabeth O'Connell, Mary Ellen Hansen, James Lahage,

Jr., Kathy Yopp, Cruz Hinojosa, Jr., and Mary Owings. Reese people generally paused reverently at manger scenes.



FROM THE

COMMANDER'S DESK

During the past year much has been accomplished in preserving the Christian objective of Peace on Earth. In performing our mission through daily tasks, we at Reese Air Force Base contributed to this peace.

It is my hope that in observing the holiday this year we may all reflect on the life given us as the pattern for all the world to follow so that we may all live abundantly, without fear of the future and with peaceful minds and hearts.

To each person on the base—military, civilian and dependent—I extend my very best wishes for the happiest Christmas season and for everything good during the New Year.

Col. L. C. Hess, Commander Reese Air Force Base

General Sends Greeting

"My best wishes are with our men and women in uniform and our civilian employees at Christmas.

"Wherever you are throughout the world you may feel sure that you are serving in a just cause and that your efforts on behalf of civilization are appreciated by your country and her allies.

"The coming New Year is a fitting time for all of us to rededicate ourselves in earnest to preserve the fundamental values of our way of life in order that there may be true Peace on Earth."

Gen. Nathan F. Twining, Chairman Joint Chiefs of Staff

Pride Told by Secretary

"I am pleased to extend holiday greetings to the men and women of the Armed Forces of the United States and to all civilian personnel of our defense system.

"Your attention to duty in stations throughout the world, regardless of personal hardships, discomforts, and inconveniences, is a source of pride to all Americans and a tangible reassurance to all others who share our hopes for world stability and peace through mutual understanding and cooperative effort.

"Wherever you may be your mission is in keeping with the spirit of Christmas. To each of you and yours, I send warm regards and very best wishes for this Christmas and the New Year."

Thomas D. Gates, Secretary of Defense

Secretary Tells Admirations

"The Holiday Season again gives me the opportunity to express my admiration for your dedicated service in the defense of our country. Your performance throughout the world is an inspiration to all of us at Air Force Headquarters. We are proud of your accomplishments.

"Through your purpose and enthusiasm, the United States Air Force has become stronger, and better able to play its part in free world efforts to attain enduring peace. To each one of you at home, and to each in distant lands, go my personal best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year."

Dudley C. Sharp Secretary of the Air Force

Chief Expresses Appreciation

"To every member of the Air Force family I send my best wishes for a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, with my appreciation for your efforts in the year now ending. Without your loyalty, your cooperations, and your leadership, we would not have been able to meet the problems imposed on the Air Force by the aerospace age. I am sure that I can count on these same quantities to help us meet the responsibilities of even greater problems the year ahead will bring.

"My personal good wishes go to you and yours for every happiness and success in 1960."

Thomas D. White, Chief of Staff

Blessings Listed By General

During this holiday season, our thoughts turn to a deeper thankfulness of the many blessings that are ours. Above all, we should be most grateful for the opportunity we have of fostering a free world. The effort of each Air Training Command member has contributed to the happiness of Christmas in many countries. To each of you my sincerest wishes for a very Merry Christmas and a rewarding New Year."

Lt. Gen. James E. Briggs, Commander, Air Training Command



Christmas Shows No Need For VIP In God's Vision

By Chaplain George J. Worner

We have coined a colloquial expression, VIP, meaning "Very Important Person." But Christmas comes every year to remind us that we need not be Very Important Persons to see and know God's glowing glory.

Christmas means that everyone is very important to a God who first sent the shining of His love to simple shepherds engaged in simple tasks and who gave his only-begotten Son to live the ordinary life of ordinary men in a way that was Glorious. God was concerned about us personally and still is—God is no Stranger but a concerned Father.

Since Christianity is personal, the message of Christmas must be personally experienced and must be understood in the heart. When Christmas begins and reigns within, then we are able to truly experience a holiday meant to bring us joy.

"And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us . . . full of grace and truth." Yes, Christ came to earth that we might be made ready to come to Heaven.

Let the spirit of Christmas and the Christ transform you. Let it fill your voice with song, and your heart with cheer, and your soul with hope.

If Christmas means anything, it means that all life is filled with glory and melody and joy, and that fear has forever fled.

Jenny Lind remarked, "I sing for God." The shepherds, with a new understanding of God's love returned to their tasks feeling, "I will tend sheep for God." So let us at this Christmas time vow to do what we are on earth to do for God.

Have a blessed Christmas holiday.

Chapel Schedule

You are invited to participate in these services of worship for the coming week. Free nursery service is available during all scheduled chapel activities:

CATHOLIC:

Mass: Sunday, 9 a. m. and 12:15 p.m.; Tuesday through Friday, 4:30 p.m.; Saturday, 12 noon.

Midnight Mass: Thursday, 12 midnight.

Christmas Day Masses: 9 a.m. and 12:15 p.m.

Confessions: Sunday, 8:30 a.m. and 12 noon; Saturday, 7 p.m.

Children's Confessions: Saturday, 10 to 11 a.m.

Choir Rehearsal: Sunday, 8 a.m.

Catechism Classes: Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.

PROTESTANT: Sunday, 9:30 a.m. for all ages.

Worship Service: Sunday, 11 a.m.

Youth Fellowship: Sunday, 6 p.m., Parish Center.

Junior Church: Sunday, 11 a.m., Chapel Annex.

Choir Rehearsal: Tuesday, 7:30 p.m.

Sunday School Christmas Program: Sunday, Dec. 20, 7:30 p.m.

Candlelight Service: Thursday, 7:30 p.m.

Christmas Day Service: 10 a.m., Friday.

JEWISH:

All Jewish personnel are invited to attend services at the Congregation Shaareth Israel, 1706 Twenty-third Street, Lubbock. Services begin at 8 p.m. each Friday.

Economies Emphasized

Colonel Oran O. Price, DCS/Civil Engineering, Air Training Command, told ATC Commanders at their conference on Dec. 1st and 2nd that an estimated \$700,000.00 a year can be saved in ATC through good utility economy. He also pointed out that the savings realized from conservation of utilities can be diverted and used for other mission projects.

Utility economy is a subject which is impressed on everyone when "Dad" pays the bill, however, this is not the case when the bill is paid by "The Air Force." This was evidenced by a 30 per cent overnight increase in utilities when the Air Force acquired the Reese Village Wherry Housing unit. It therefore appears that these areas are particularly susceptible to conservation.

The annual fuel cost for Reese exceeds \$52,000.00; for electricity, the cost exceeds \$82,000.00. These are figures which each individual can help reduce, since almost everyone during the course of a day either turns on a light or adjusts a thermostat or gas jet.

It has been estimated that a five-degree increase in the thermostat setting increases the fuel consumption by 40 per cent, yet, how many times do we find ourselves removing our jackets because the office is too warm? Also, how many times have we seen lights burn needlessly during the daylight hours?

A reduction in the electric and fuel bill can only be accomplished by the complete cooperation of all personnel. Let's conserve these silent but expensive services during the holiday season and new year and apply the vast savings to productive projects.

Home Sweet Funeral Home?

Will this year's festive season bring joy or tragedy to you and your family? When it's "home for the holidays" will it be a funeral home—or a hospital—for your because of careless, reckless or drunken driving?

Although safe driving should be a year-round proposition to everyone, special care is advisable at this time of year, demonstrated by statistics to be "extra-hazardous."

An eagerness to get places fast, and the unfortunate literal interpretation of "drink deep the Christmas spirit," often overcome good sense and caution.

You could insure yourself for an extra \$10,000 life insurance with a double indemnity clause for the holiday season. That's one approach. The other approach is through exercising the principles of safe driving to the "nth" degree.

For example, don't try to second-guess what another driver or pedestrian will do. There's a grim penalty exacted every day from drivers who assumed no car would come over the crest of the hill as they pulled out to pass the slowpoke in front of them.

Then again, you shouldn't—well, let's not go on. The vast majority of drivers are familiar with the principles of safe driving. You know them as well as the next fellow. The important thing is to practice them.

There Is A Santa Claus

Back in 1897, Virginia O'Hanlon, 8, wrote the Baltimore Sun that her friends told her there was no Santa Claus. "Please tell me the truth, is there a Santa Claus?" she wrote. The answer of Francis P. Church, an editorial writer, has become a classic in American writing. "The Roundup" is happy to reprint the writing today:

"Virginia, your little friends are wrong. They have been affected by the skepticism of a skeptical age. They do not believe except what they see. They think that nothing can be which is not comprehensible by their little minds.

"All minds, Virginia, whether they be men's or children's, are little. In this great universe of ours man is a mere insect, or ant, in his intellect, as compared with the boundless world about him as measured by the intelligence capable of grasping the whole truth and knowledge.

"Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus. He exists as certainly as love and generosity and devotion exist, and you know that they abound and give to your life its highest beauty and joy.

Alas! how dreary would be the world if there were no Santa Claus! It would be as dreary as if there were no Virginias.

"There would be no childlike faith then, no poetry, no romance to make tolerable this existence. We should have no enjoyment, except in sense and sight. The eternal light with which childhood fills the world would be extinguished.

"Not believe in Santa Claus! You might as well not believe in fairies! You might get your papa to hire men to watch in all the chimneys on Christmas Eve to catch Santa Claus, but even if they did not see Santa Claus, what would that prove? Nobody sees Santa Claus but that is no sign that there is no Santa Claus.

"The most real things in the world are those that neither children nor men can see.

"Did you ever see fairies dancing in the dawn? Of course not, but that's no proof that they are not there. Nobody can conceive or imagine all the wonders that are unseen and the unseeable in the world.

"Only faith, fancy, poetry, love, romance, can push aside that curtain and view and picture the supernatural beauty and glory beyond. Is it all real? Ah, Virginia, in all this world there is nothing else real and abiding.

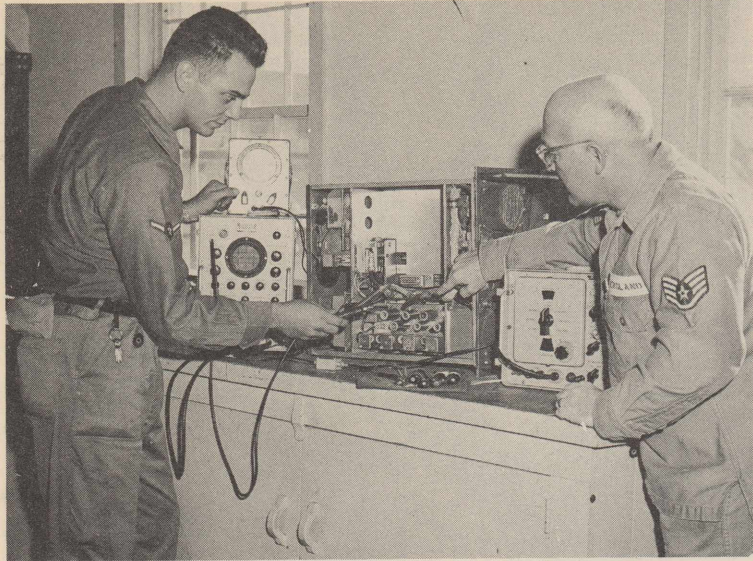
"No Santa Claus! Thank God he lives, and he lives forever. A thousand years from now, Virginia, nay, ten times ten thousand years from now, he will continue to make glad the heart of childhood."



COMPLETE COURSE—Three Reese teenagers receive driver school certificates of completion Saturday from Col. Harold T. Babb, base deputy commander. The three, among nine graduates, are, left to right, Cheryl Roubal, Richard Ward and James Weaver, Jr. Looking on is Sgt. Keith O. Stuart, instructor, from the Lubbock Police Department. The nine-hour class stressed driving safety.



ADMIRE TROPHY—Clark Schooley, left, editor of "The Roundup", and Col. W. E. Helmentoler, ATC information chief, admire the silver cup awarded the Reese newspaper as winner of class competition in ATC. The paper was judged best in Class I, among publications at bases of less than 5,000 population.



KEEP INSTRUMENTS WORKING—SSgt. Albert England, radio maintenance chief, right, instructs A/3C Louis Scariot on alignment of a UHF receiver in the maintenance shop of AACCS. All equipment is kept in working order through shop work.

B-47 Sets Time, Distance Mark

A Wright Air Development Center B-47 Stratojet bomber lifted off WADC, Dayton, Ohio, at 3:13 a.m., Friday, Nov. 27, and did not touch ground again for three days, 8 hours and 36 minutes, to completely shatter the time and distance record set in 1955.

But record breaking was not the object of the marathon flight that carried the plane over Illinois, Texas, New Mexico, Michigan, North Dakota, Montana, Colorado, Kentucky, Tennessee, Florida, Louisiana, and Missouri.

The flight was made to test an experimental, tilting ejection seat equipped with a pulsating cushion. Studied were long-range habitability problems, minimum space requirements for pilots, and techniques necessary to keep the pilot efficient and comfortable. Tests were also made on a new high pressure refueling system.

Except for brief periods, Capt. Shelton J. Anthony, Jr., of WADC's Directorate of Flight and All-Weather Testing, was at the controls of the B-47 for 80 hours and 36 minutes to cover 39,200 statute miles—equal to a flight 1 3/5 times around the Earth. The longest flight previously made, also by a B-47, was Nov. 17, 1955, when the plane flew 21,000 miles in 47 hours and 35 minutes.

The tilting seat was equipped with a pulsating cushion which operated on a 20-second cycle, inflating in one second and remaining inflated for 20 seconds, at which time it deflated in one second and remained flat for 20 seconds before repeating the cycle.

A pneumatic backrest could be inflated or deflated at the discretion of the pilot to give him a change of position. Does the seat work? Medical officers pronounced Captain Anthony in good condition, with no adverse effects on his circulatory system.

Holiday Season Opened On Base

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tion to needy South Plains families next week.

Numerous Reese people will assist the Lubbock Goodfellows in packing food bags for the city's needy and some base people will report early Christmas morning to assist in distribution. Packing will be next Wednesday and others interested in aiding may call the information office.

Wives Clubs have gathered canned food for the needy and have turned it over to Lubbock agencies or will take it to families designated by the agencies.

The wing dining hall will serve a special Christmas dinner, with families and guests invited. The menu will feature roasted turkey, baked ham, glazed sweet potatoes, whipped mashed potatoes, buttered corn and green beans, mince and pumpkin pie, fruit cake, fresh fruit, candy, mixed nuts, and coffee, tea, and milk.

Spiritual Duty Receives Stress

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lifetime, he added.

"Disrespect for the law daily is adding to our losses and costs. Efficiency of workmen is impaired by traffic injuries. We all must be alert and at this time of year must be better than the average driver.

"Reese has a fine record on highway accidents. It must be kept good."

Sergeant Marshall spoke to base personnel shortly after pre-holiday "Operation Homesafe" activities were concluded by those in charge here. The campaign runs through Jan. 4.

"We have done everything we can; whether the operation is successful lies solely with the individual," Maj. Erceal V. Doty, project officer, declared. "No step has been overlooked. It has been a comprehensive program. It's up to each man, woman, and child in the Reese family whether we have accidents."

In the "Operation Tomesafe" campaign, aimed at permitting everyone to return to work after the holidays unhurt, included utilization of check lists in counseling people going on leave and pooling of skid chains.

Posters were used and safety was stressed in Commander Call and other meetings.

Films on safety were shown and Lubbock officials cooperated in discussions.

Each vehicle leaving the base for a trip undergoes a mandatory inspection in the base motor pool to locate any defects which cause an accident. No leave was effective from midnight until 6 a.m. and all persons departing were not permitted to go without adequate rest prior to departure.

Weather forecasts for various areas of the country were issued and road maps were made available. Parents and other relatives of young airmen were asked by letter to secure cooperation in safe driving.

Unit commanders personally counseled those going on leave. Parcels in the BX and commissary were stamped with safety slogans. A wrecked car was set up as a warning near the main gate and Col. L. C. Hess, base commander, through a large sign at the gate wished for all a pleasant leave and safe return.

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Next Call Movie Gets Added Color

Color has been added to the January Air Force News Review, to be shown at Reese and other bases.

Celebrating its fourth anniversary, The Air Force News Service has turned to color, instead of black and white.

The Commander's Call film for January reviews 1959, showing several "firsts." There's the first World Congress of Flight, the Air Force Academy first graduating class, the first Academy football game in New York, the first powered flight of the experimental X-15, and the first SAC launching of the Atlas.

The largest air-ground exercise in recent years, Operation Dark Cloud/Pine Cone II, takes place in the Carolinas, and the film shows part of the joint Army-Air Force effect in deploying paratroopers and equipment against an "aggressor" power.

Commands Receive Power Over List

In a move to lighten an administrative load that got heavier as it went up the line, USAF headquarters has authorized major air commanders to supplement AFR 39-9 (USAF School Retraining Program), the foundation stone of the retraining program.

Commands can now publish their own list of AFSCs, based on the USAF-wide resource skill list shown in Attachment 3 of AFR 39-9, from which applications for retraining normally will be disapproved by the command.

This move is expected to diminish the flow of applications at unit level by preventing submission of applications which have little chance of getting final approval at the top. The important saving would come in keeping these "weak" applications out of already clogged administrative channels.

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American Legend Originates Santa

Santa Claus, as we know him today, may be said to have originated in America, although his legend is based on stories from many lands, where he is known as St. Nicholas, Pere Noel, Father Christmas, and so on.

The name comes from Hol-

MEXICO GAY

In Mexico, Christmas is marked by great gaiety. One of the most colorful customs is the breaking of the pinata by children. The pinata is a bright earthenware bowl that usually is made up to resemble the features of an animal. It is filled with fruit, peanuts, candy, and other goodies.

land, where under the Spanish influence, Saint became Santa, Nicholas was shortened to Ni Klaus or Claus—thus Santa Claus.

When Santa Claus came to America, he was tall and gaunt. Later, as a result of Clement Moore's "The Night Before Christmas," Santa put on weight and became the rollicking red-nosed, rotund and jolly character we know today.

It might have been easier for him to come down the chimney when he was thinner, but children elusive fellow who brings so many try to catch a glimpse of the elusive fellow who brings so many good things for Christmas Day.

Mrs. Sergeant Sez:

By Mrs. W. R. Pomeroy

MSgt. and Mrs. Lewis Sanders gave a farewell party for TSgt. and Mrs. Milton Boyd, who are enroute to reassignment in Japan. The Boyds will spend the holidays in North Carolina.

Mrs. Evelina Jennings and Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Franklin and family will spend the holidays with TSgt. and Mrs. Nora Higgins, Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Rushing of Denver will spend a few days with his brother, MSgt. Claud Rushing and family over the holidays.

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SSgt. and Mrs. Herbert Hamilton will spend Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hamilton in Waco.

Mrs. Helen Young, Mrs. Kathy Freeman, Mrs. Sue Wilson, and Mrs. Pat Mailhot were welcomed as new members of the NCO Wives Club at its last meeting. Mrs. Leroy Springer, Mrs. Jean Smith, and Mrs. Carol Finlan were guests.

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The NCO Wives Club members thank the people of the Reese housing area who gave so generously to the recent food drive in which canned food was secured for needy families.

The next meeting of the NCO Wives Club will be the night of Jan. 12 in the NCO Club private dining room.

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SYMBOLS EXPLAINED

Laurel and bay used at Christmas time signify victory. Ivy expressed the convivial spirit of the holiday. The yew and cypress, as well as other evergreens, symbolize eternal life.



AT TEA—Approximately 200 non-commissioned officers' wives Friday afternoon attended a tea hosted by Mrs. L. C. Hess, wife of the base commander. Guests enjoyed tea, coffee, brownies, nuts, punch and candy during the two-hour event. Pouring for Mrs. Willard J. Gurgy is Mrs. Harold T. Babb, wife of the deputy commander. Waiting in line are, left to right: Mrs. Bessie Lindsey and Mrs. Edward A. Turner.

Woman's Chatter

By Mrs. Glenn C. Rosenquist

Christmas festivities and parties are claiming the attention of most Reese families.

Among the events are: First Lt. and Mrs. George Jobe will entertain medical group personnel and friends at a holiday party in their home next Wednesday.

A combination birthday and caroling party will be held this evening at the home of Capt. and Mrs. James Singleton.

Flight 6 wives met at the home

of Mrs. Richard Kinder yesterday for a Christmas coffee.

First Lt. and Mrs. James McPherson entertained at an open house Sunday for all his cadets from Classes 60-E and 60-G. On Thursday, Flight 9 wives met at the home of Mrs. John B. Johnson for Yuletide coffee.

Mmes. John Wilhite and Adrian A. McDonald were hostesses Wednesday afternoon at a holiday party at the Wilhite home.

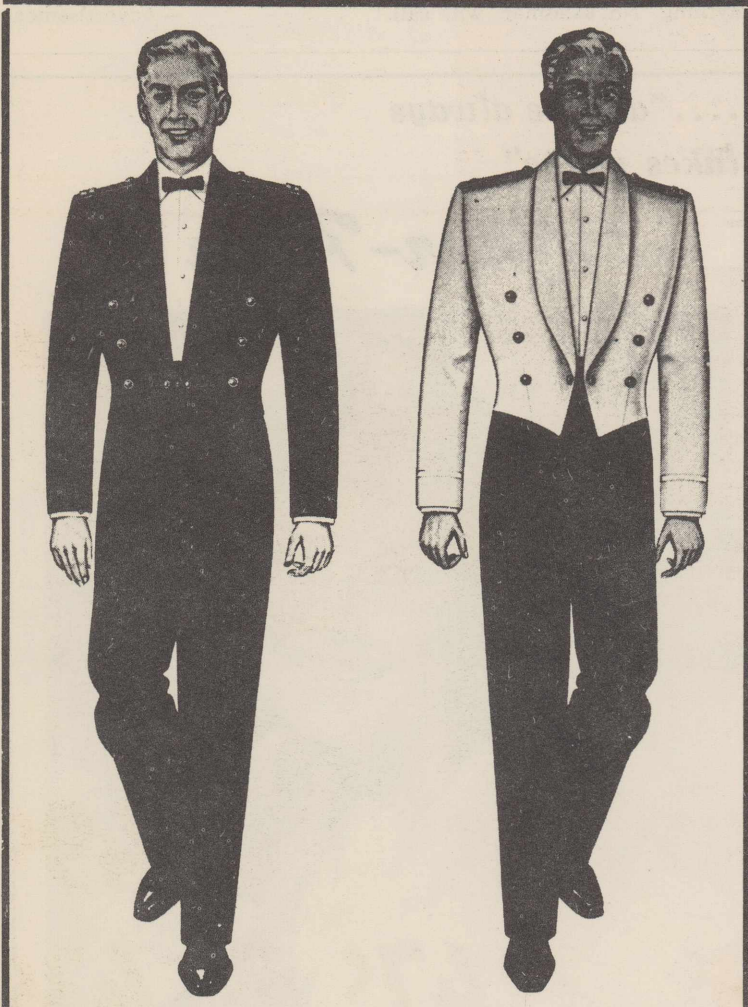
First Lt. and Mrs. Albert Opper entertained his cadets for dessert Wednesday evening.

This evening, the 3500th PTS is having a student-instructor get-together at the Cadet Club before the Christmas holidays.

Maintenance and Supply Group wives entertained their husbands for a holiday dinner at the Officers' Club Wednesday. Col. and Mrs. William A. Martin also entertained friends at dinner at the Officers' Club last Sunday evening in honor of their wedding anniversary.

Other events in the news are:

First Lt. and Mrs. Donald Frizzell, who left this week on leave prior to assignment to Japan, were honored at dinner by 1st Lt. and Mrs. William Black Monday. Mrs. Frizzell was also entertained at a combination farewell and baby shower Sunday afternoon at the Officers' Club given by Mmes. Joseph O'Connell, Keaver Holley, Wallace Girling, Richard Bono, Thomas E. Wizo-reck, August Shumbera, William Black, and Opper.



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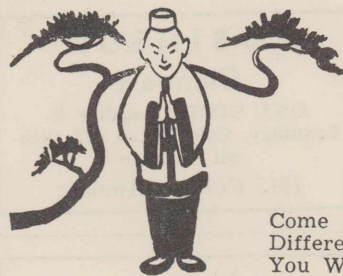
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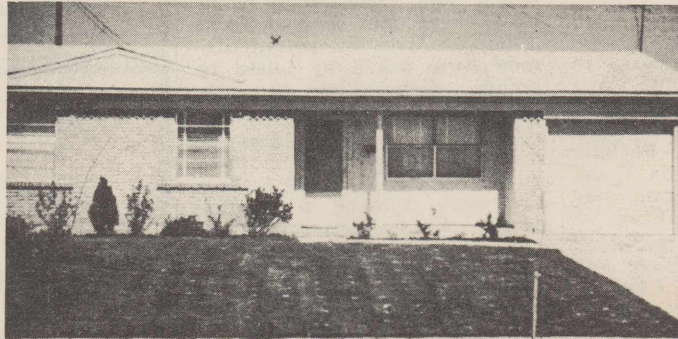
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Federal Service Awards Received

Federal Service pins have been awarded to four Reese civilians for 20 years of service and to 30 for 10 years of service.

Receiving the 20-year pins were James S. Hendrix, maintenance control; James L. Badgett, aero repair; Dixon B. Dorsey, installations; and Frederick M. Ohls, a base engineer.

Receiving 10-years Service pins and certificates were George Brock, shop branch; Miss Ava Vaughan, installations cost accounting; Virgil Cook, pavement and grounds; Arthur Lewis, utilities operations; Lee A. Zeibig, Leota Bradford, Leora B. Baynes, Edward G. Hobgood, and Leonard H. Deering, base supply;

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Club Activities

Officers' Club

Tommy Bacon and his orchestra will provide dance music at the Officers' Club Saturday night. A special dinner is planned for Sunday.

The club will have ala carte service each evening, but the snack bar will be closed through the holidays, including Christmas Day.

A New Year's Eve party is scheduled, with the Baker orchestra playing. There will be favors and a special breakfast.

NCO Club

Don Allen and his Sunset Ramblers will play western music for dancing tonight and Saturday night at the NCO Club. Records are scheduled for Sunday and Monday.

The club plans a New Year's Eve party with the Keynotes playing.

Service Club

A Birthday Party will be held at the Service Club at 8 p.m. tonight. All airmen born in the month of December will be honor guests. A large birthday cake and a film of Bob Hope at Thule AFB will be on the evening's entertainment.

Christmas week at the Service Club will be highlighted by fruit-cake and fudge-making parties in the club kitchen, carol singing around the open fire, coffee call for all airmen wives at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 23, and a genuine homelike Christmas atmosphere for all who wish to come.

NEW APPROACH

Air Force is studying a new approach in strategic offensive weapon systems: the supersonic low altitude missile to be powered with nuclear ramjet and with almost unlimited range. Defense against it would be extremely difficult. Air Force also intends to keep a sizable portion of the Minuteman ICBM force completely mobile. Missiles may be carried by railway cars which could provide the launch platforms.



Stronger Writing Class Objective

Another class in Plain Letters, intended to simplify government writing, is scheduled to be held at Reese early next month. Master sergeants are expected to make up the class.

The course, covering 10 hours in one week, is aimed at eliminating "crazy" and big words from communications. It stresses use of strong, sincere, short, and simple language to improve the efficiency of government letters. Charles C. Galbraith is instructor.

A class concluded last week was attended by Mrs. Sinia Harris, civilian personnel; MSgt. Harry Fain, wing sergeant major; MSgt.

Sam Thompson, PTG sergeant major; SMSgt. Christopher Sturrock, personnel section sergeant major; MSgt. William B. Parsons, Hospital sergeant major; MSgt. Harold Davies, M&S sergeant major; MSgt. Charles Sorenson, Air Base Group sergeant major; MSgt. Basil Smith, administrative inspector; and TSgt. Edward Turner, manpower section.

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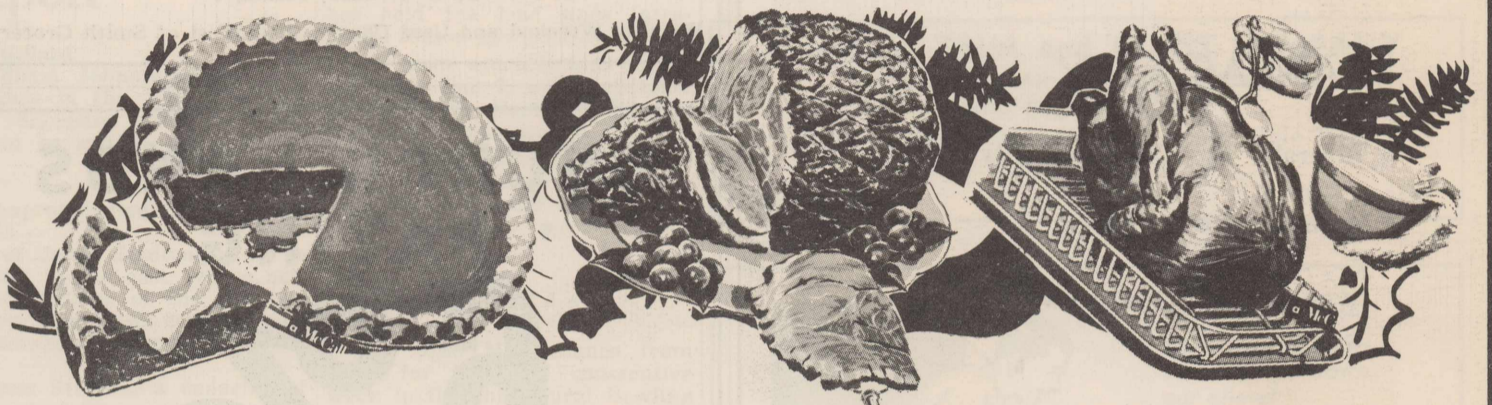
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Girl Scouts Carol Throughout Areas

Brownies and intermediate age Girl Scouts Thursday night visited areas to carol from 6:30 to 8 p.m.

Various parts of Reese Village were visited, followed by singing at the home of Col. and Mrs. L. C. Hess, the hospital area, and the trailer park. The girls then were served chocolate and cookies at the Girl Scout house.

The tour was arranged by Mrs. William C. Lindler, as neighborhood chairman, and 1st Lt. James K. McPherson coached and directed carolers. He also will direct singing at two carols and group singing at the Christmas party Saturday morning in Building P-82.

Nation Observes Wright Brothers Day

The nation joined Thursday in commemorating the first heavier-than-air flight in observance of Wright Brothers Day.

"It is appropriate that the memory of the Wright Brothers, whose genius, courage and enterprise wrought profound change in the lives of mankind, should be honored on the anniversary day of their epic flight," President Eisenhower said in proclaiming the day.

On Dec. 17, 1903, at Kitty Hawk, N. C., Orville and Wilbur Wright tested their new flying machine made of wire, cloth and wood. Orville made the historic 12-second flight which covered 120 feet. He had tried before, but stalled and crashed. The first flight was erratic and the plane went up and down as if it were on waves.

Later, on the same day Wilbur

Wright took up the mechanically-propelled aircraft for 59 seconds, covering a distance of 852 feet.

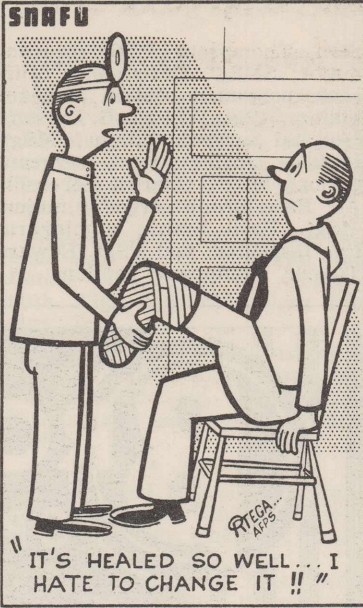
There were five people on the Kitty Hawk beach, three of them coast guards who were there for rescue activity if needed. One of the men ran into town, crying "They've done it!"

The largest newspaper in the Wright Brothers' hometown refused to run the story because its editor did not believe any man could fly.

The people of Kitty Hawk were not convinced.

The Wright Brothers made four flights the first day. But gusts of wind damaged the plane so badly it never flew again.

The Wright Brothers built other planes and by 1908 the government had started its flying program.



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Chaplain Becomes Member Of Club

Chaplain George J. Worner became an associate member of the Joseph M. Budde Toastmasters' Club at the last regular meeting. A new "Toastmaster of the Week" Cup was inaugurated to encourage members to do their best in meeting participation. Toastmaster Robert E. King was awarded the Cup, which replaces the Evaluation Cup Award.

Table topics were passed out by Table Topic Master Alton Gates.

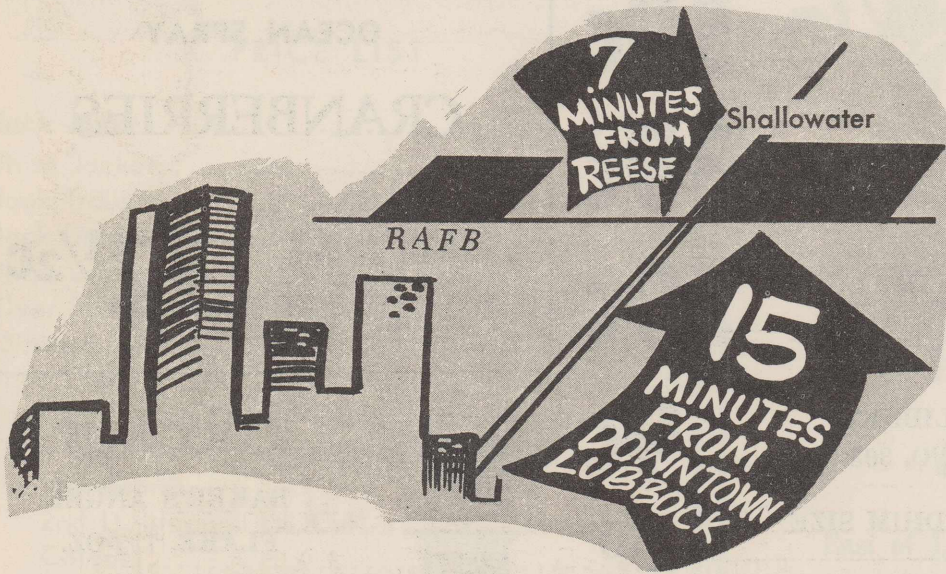
Round One of a speech elimination contest in the Club was held to determine who will represent the Club in the Area Contest. Toastmaster Joseph Bloomer was winner of Round One and the Speaker's Cup for the week, speaking on the topic, "Taxpayer Ride."

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There are literally hundreds of people who work here, but who live in Abernathy, Idalou, Slaton and other nearby towns and communities. And those nearby towns and communities are encouraging the trend.

Recently, the Shallowater Star reported that the population of that thriving community, some 12 miles to the Northwest, is in excess of 1,100—and gave utilities and other statistics to prove it.

Shallowater, said the Star, has grown to more than 1,100 from 770 in 1956. That may not sound like an awfully lot of people but it is better than 50 per cent growth.

If Lubbock had grown by 50 per cent since 1956, we'd have here something like 200,000 souls.

★★★
The Shallowater Star, in noting that "as Lubbock grows,

so will Shallowater," lists civic projects being pushed there by various clubs and points out the constant increase in scholastics and construction.

It makes a pitch, too, for more residents, accenting the difference in living costs, in taxes and otherwise in comparison with Lubbock.

It is no secret either, that many a vote cast for legalization of beer and liquor stores in Slaton last week, was on the basis of "package stores will bring people from Lubbock to Slaton, instead of the opposite." This shows that Slaton, too, is alive to opportunities for using Lubbock's growth and expansion to its own interests.

★★★
SO FAR as I know, nobody in Lubbock is resentful, or critical, of our nearby neighbors' efforts to become the home base of persons commuting daily to jobs and businesses in Lubbock.

Certainly, no one should be resentful or critical. The Shallowater Star is right when it says, "as Lubbock grows, so will Shallowater." It is just as right to say that as our neighboring towns and communities grow and prosper, so will Lubbock.

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GOLF CHAMPS—First Lt. Clarence Doane, Personnel Services officer, presents trophies and congratulations to coaches of teams that placed in the Reese golf competition. First Lt. Robert Bosman, right, holds team trophy garnered by the 3501st Pilot Training Squadron, SSgt. Charles Shobe, left, has the runner-up award taken by Installations Group.

Sports Report

By A/3C Roger J. Gillard

CONGRATULATIONS to Capt. William Johanssen and A/C William Bailey on their fine performance in the ATC Northern District Handball tournament held at Sheppard AFB, Dec. 3-6. Johanssen took third in the singles and he and his mate placed third in the doubles.

TEXAS TECH'S long-heralded and unprecedented "Big Move"—of half a football stadium is underway.

Center section of the east stands of Jones Stadium is to be moved over railroad tracks some 226 feet to the east, where new footings have been prepared. Six other sections of the stadium, estimated to total more than 10 million pounds of concrete and steel, will also be moved out a similar distance during the next few weeks.

The increased seating will give Jones Stadium a capacity of 41,500 by next fall, when Texas Tech officially competes in the Southwest Conference football race.

Air Force Button Depicts Powerful Story Of Service

The Air Force uniform button is a miniature "fact sheet." The design is almost an exact copy of the official Air Force shield. Only the date, 1947, and the words "Department of the Air Force" and "United States of America" are missing.

Little lines and figures refer to heraldry. When knighthood flowered, these special "trademarks" designated one group of nobles from another. The shield on the Air Force button indicates defensive strength and is symbolic of protective armor.

The large design is that of a thunderbolt, a time-honored symbol representing striking power of the gods and today showing awesome power behind the Air Force aircraft and missile striking arm.

The curling line running across the shield beneath the thunderbolt depicts clouds. On the crest above is the American bald eagle, symbolic of the nation and image of airpower. The cloud formation behind shows creation of a new firmament—the Department of the Air Force. The eagle rests on a base representing the twisted silk wreath used by armored knights to help hold the crest of their helmets.

Surrounding the crest and shield are 13 stars, representing the 13 original colonies.

The three stars between the eagle's wing tips reflect the Department of Defense with its three military departments.

The Air Force button can be meaningful in terms of tradition, a constant reminder of the service's role in today's aerospace age.

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Cannon Overcomes Rattlers, 31-17

The Reese Rattlers counted their fourth loss last Friday night, this one to Cannon AFB in a 60-31 game.

The Rattlers were defeated twice by Lubbock Christian College and once by the Howard County Junior College since the season's opening.

A/2C Ulysses Simmons was the sparkplug for the Rattlers, totaling 10 points during the game. A/3C Harvey Stephens, high man in Reese's first victory over Hull Riddle Drug two weeks ago, netted 9 points.

The first half score was 31-17 in Cannon's favor.

At the beginning of the second half, Carter hooped 10 points to aid his team in victory. He totaled 14 points for Cannon.

Reese will play Walker AFB here at 8 p.m. tonight. Everyone is invited to attend.

Intramural League

Air Base Group leads in the Intramural Basketball League with five wins and no losses. It has held the lead since intramural season opened Nov. 9.

The team which is tops on the standings Jan. 7, will participate in the ATC Northern District Basketball tournament.

Installations and '02nd Maintenance are tied for second place with four wins and one loss.

Bowling...

The '02nd Maintenance team leads for its third consecutive week in the Intramural Bowling league with 50 wins and 10 losses. Hospital follows close with 42-14.

MSgt. Woodrow Lins, M&S, picked up 266 pins for high individual game last week — and rolled a high series of 595.

High team game was taken by Hospital with 897 and also high series of 2489.

Three-Year Tour Program Planned

A move toward permitting personnel to serve from three to four years at a base has been stressed by the Air Force.

A letter to personnel said efforts are being made to attain a goal of three-year minimum tours and four-year maximum tours at a single location.

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Golf Notes...

By Ken Shields

In the past, these notes have been sprinkled with hints on learning Golf Etiquette. However, it seems that they have been skipped over and forgotten.

Rule 3 of Golf Etiquette states: 'No player should play until the players in front are safely out of range.' This is the most abused rule. A golf ball, although weighing only 1.62 ounces and is only 1.68 inches in diameter, becomes very dangerous when traveling at a rate of 250 feet per second. Serious injuries, even death, have occurred to innocent golfers when struck by a ball. We've been real lucky that nothing serious has resulted here.

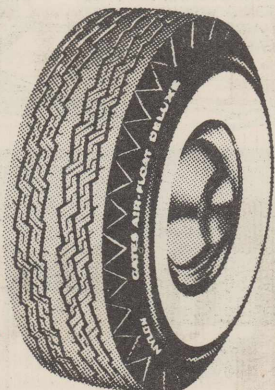
Rule 4 states: 'In the interest of all, players should play without delay.' Nothing is more maddening than to be behind a group of players who violate this rule. This, in most cases, is the cause for Rule 3 being violated.

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Whitsett Named Athlete Of Month

A/1C Glen Whitsett of ABG has been named Athlete of the Month for November, and Capt. William Johanssen, '01st PTS stands as runner up.

Whitsett won the Intramural Badminton Championship last month receiving an individual trophy. He is a member of the ABG Intramural basketball team which is leading with five wins and no losses.

Captain Johanssen took third place in the Handball Championship at the Northern District ATC Finals last month. He also bowls in the officers bowling league.

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Strong Counseling Of Retrainee Urged

Unit commanders are being instructed to intensify counseling and interviewing of airmen directed to retrain.

Commanders are being told to make certain the airmen have the proper attitude and understand why their training is necessary.

"The interview is the key man in the selection procedure," the directive said.

Volunteer retrainees have been making better grades in school than those directed to change career fields.

'Best Qualified' Regulars Studied

The Air Force will sift through 10,156 reserve officers' applications next month to determine which officers will be offered appointments in the Regular Air Force.

Selection boards, meeting in Washington, will pick the "best qualified" officers in the 2, 3, 4 and 5-year promotion list service groups.

USAF headquarters officials estimate that about 3,000 reserve officers will be integrated into the Regular Air Force as line officers, the only category being considered. (Physicians, dentists, chaplains, nurses, judge advo-

cates, and the like are considered on a "running" basis during the year and integrated as needed.)

This fiscal year's Regular Air Force line integration program is the smallest in scope and number of officers involved since the current Augmentation Act took effect. Limited to the 2-to-5 year groups, Air Force personnel planners are concentrating on the younger officers — where the greatest need exists.

Two selection boards, composed of senior Regular officers, will each consider two groups in January. One board, on Jan. 11, will consider the 2-year group (1,911 applications) and the 5-year group (3,143). The other board, scheduled to meet Jan. 25, will examine the 3-year group (2,109 applications) and the 4-year group (2,993).

The officer's year-group is determined by his total active federal commissioned service as of June 30, 1960, and performed after his 21st birthday.

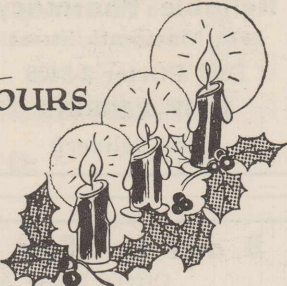
MISSILE SMALLER

The Minuteman solid propellant intercontinental missile will be smaller in size and lighter in weight than the liquid fuel ICBMs such as Atlas and Titan. The Minuteman, when operational, will give the U. S. a faster reaction time, provide easier dispersal of missiles and allow the missile to be placed in hardened sites.



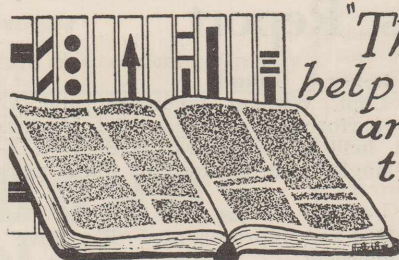
LONG SERVICE—Four Reese Air Force Base civilian employees are congratulated by Col. L. C. Hess, Reese commander, after presentation of 20-year service pins and certificates. The long service employees are, left to right, James S. Hendrix, maintenance control, M&S Group; James L. Badgett, aero repair, 3505th Field Maintenance Sq., Dixon B. Dorsey, Installations Group; and Frederick M. Ohls, Installations Group. (Photo By Moore).

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By Helen K. Fuller

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AUGUST 17TH, 1942: 12 B-17'S OF THE 97TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP MADE THE FIRST ENGLAND-BASED RAID ON THE CONTINENT, AGAINST THE MARSHALLING YARDS AT ROUEN-SOTTEVILLE. FROM HERE ON, THE POWER OF THE EIGHTH AIR FORCE CONTINUED TO GROW UNTIL VE DAY.



CHALLENGE—Lieutenant Col. Charles W. Sawyer, Pilot Training Group commander, congratulates A/C Walter Luh for preparing and erecting a sign for the Flight 1 Apache flight. The Apaches have issued a challenge for all flights to erect a better sign.

Aero Club Popularity Growing With Arrival Of New Aircraft

With delivery of two additional aircraft, the Reese Aero Club is growing in popularity and activity, club officials said this week. A new 1960 Cessna Skylark was delivered on Dec. 4 and shortly before a Piper Tri-Pacer was added. Both are four-passenger craft.

Headquarters for the club, composed of military personnel and dependents, is in building T-1168, at the extreme north end of the ramp. Here are an office, minor maintenance area, and servicing facilities. Plans for a clubhouse to include a flight planning room, lounge, and recreational facilities are in progress, with some work already in progress by members on off-duty time.

The club has no dues or initial fee, but \$3 a month is charged for equipment usage. Military personnel on active duty and their dependents are eligible to join the club. The president is Lt. Col. Dwain Rockie, the vice president is MSgt. Al Monteith, and 1st Lt. Glenn A. O'Banion is operations officer. First Lt. Robert Bixler, treasurer, TSgt. James Miller, secretary, and SMSgt. Rodney Bills, member-at-large, also are on the board.

Aircraft available include the new Cessna Skylark, an Air Force T-34, and two Piper Tri-Pacers. Aircraft hourly rental rates are: Cessna, \$8.50; T-34, \$7; and Tri-Pacer, \$6.50. Rental rates include all aircraft, operation costs, gasoline, oil, etc. Planes are available for instruction, local flying, and cross-countries.

Ground school also is available through the Aero Club

program. Instruction includes all facets required by the FAA written examination for a private pilot rating. A fee of \$5 is charged for the complete course of ground instruction. Persons who have never flown may obtain a private license for \$325 through the club, including instruction and aircraft use.

The Reese Aero Club recently moved to the base from Lubbock Municipal Airport and retired two Aeronca Champion trainers which proved ineffective for training in the Lubbock winds. Since the move, the club membership has grown to 75 active members and there is 95 per cent aircraft utilization on non-duty days.

"The club seeks nothing less than a rating as the finest in the Air Force," Monteith said.

The Aero Club headquarters are open seven days a week from 8 a.m. until sunset. Plane rental may be arranged by visits to the headquarters or by calling Extension 709 on non-duty days. The club officers will supply information on instruction.

"All personnel are urged to attend the general meeting the second Tuesday of each month in the clubhouse," Monteith said. "We meet at 8 p.m. and have a fine program, as well as refreshments."

Danish Christmas Little Different Than That In U.S.

Celebration of Christmas for two Danish students at Reese will be about the same as always, except they won't be at home.

There's little difference between observance of Christmas in America and Denmark, say Aviation Cadets Hans H. V. Hanson of Glostrup and Carl J. Meyer of Kobenhavn.

There is the decorated tree under which presents are placed for opening on Christmas Eve. Gifts are many and sometimes large. The families grasp hands and dance around the tree, singing carols.

The main Christmas meal is centered around a goose or duck, with a rice porridge as one of the dishes. There are lots of rich cakes, cookies, apples, and candies.

"Christmas in Denmark is for the children, mainly, as it is in the United States," said Cadet Meyer.

"Oh, yes, we have Santa Claus. In fact, I think you folks got him from us years ago."

Families gather in Denmark for the Christmas season. During the holiday week everyone goes visiting among neighbors, friends, and relatives.

CHINA HAS COLOR

The Christmas tree in China always has been decorated with brilliant paper flowers, paper chains, and cotton snowflakes. Before church on Christmas Eve, people dress in colorful costumes and parade through the streets in joyous celebration, if allowed by the Soviet-controlled government to do so.

Doctor's First Flight Rough

Although he's equal to the occasion, Dr. (Capt.) Robert G. Bertsch of the Reese Hospital advises strongly against making first flights mercy flights.

Two weeks ago the doctor accompanied three badly burned persons on a mercy flight from Reese to a burn center in Galveston.

Enroute he was forced to perform minor surgery by flashlight under slightly bumpy conditions and was on the alert during the entire journey for one of his patients to have her eighth child, a month early.

Four-year-old Linda Clay, patient aboard the C-47 aircraft, was badly in need of fluid to replace that removed by fire which destroyed her home. Her body had no place where needles to inject the fluid could be inserted. By flashlight, the doctor cut away burned flesh on an arm to reach a vein. Then he visually injected fluid through a small tube. The little girl was strapped to a litter, heavily covered by bandages. Rough air made the cut-down difficult. But, at last reports, Linda will live.

The little girl's mother, Mrs. Doris Clay, 26, expects her eighth baby within a month. She, too, was badly burned. The doctor and nurses were prepared for an emergency with delivery kits at hand.

While the operation on Linda was underway, Mrs. Clay reported the baby was at hand. Fortunately, she was in error.

"But we had a busy time, let

me tell you," Dr. Bertsch declared. "It was my first flight and I hope future flights are not as hectic as that one. I was glad when we landed."

The Clay family was burned when their home near Post was Thursday. Burn specialists in the burn center at John Sealey General Hospital, Galveston, held hopes of saving the lives of all the victims brought to them.

The first round-the-world record flight was made by two Douglas-Liberty 400s in 363 hours in 1924.

Captain Appointed Manpower Officer

Captain Ira K. Espe, assistant wing adjutant the past year, will assume new duty as manpower and organization officer after the holidays.

The captain returned this week from a manpower school at Air Training Command headquarters.

Completing an ECI course is a sure way to increase efficiency. The base Education Services Office in Building T-421 can discuss the ECI opportunity.



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An Obituary . . .

Thousands of Christmas cards died last December 25 at the local Post Office. There are no known survivors—due to the lack of proper addresses. Authorities agree death could have been averted if First-Class postage had been used and return addresses applied to upper left hand corner.

Services were conducted in the Post Office. Burial was in the local waste paper basket. Interment of the demised was under the auspices of the Dead Letter Branch of the Post Office Department. Pall bearers were local clerks and carriers.

Awards Made Top Instructor Pilots

First Lts. Vernie Pointer and Gerald J. Hannah are the first Reese instructors to receive the Pilot Training Group awards as Group Instructor Pilots of the Month.

Presentation was at a monthly dinner last Friday night in the Officers' Club. Both winners are from the 3500th Pilot Training Squadron.

Lieutenant Pointon, who brought his flamed-out aircraft back shortly after takeoff to provide a "save," was named for October. Presentation of a pen set was by Lt. Col. Charles W.

Sawyer, group commander.

Lieutenant Hannah, honored for outstanding work as element leader and instructor, received a similar pen set from Col. L. C. Hess, base commander.

Names of the instructors will go on a plaque hung in Base Operations. Names of future winners also will go on the plaque.

Also receiving awards at the dinner were Capt. James Shankle and James Buchanan, assistant flight commanders, who were given ATC Masters Certificates of Instruction. Both also are in the 3500th PTS.

Lights Symbolize World Joy, Hope

The feeling of hope and joy of Christmas is best symbolized with the bright lights used in decorations.

But even before the Star of Bethlehem had become the Christian symbol, important celebrations in the ancient world had included lights, candles, lamps, torches. The Jewish Hanukkah, which occurs at almost the same time as Christmas is called the Festival of Lights.

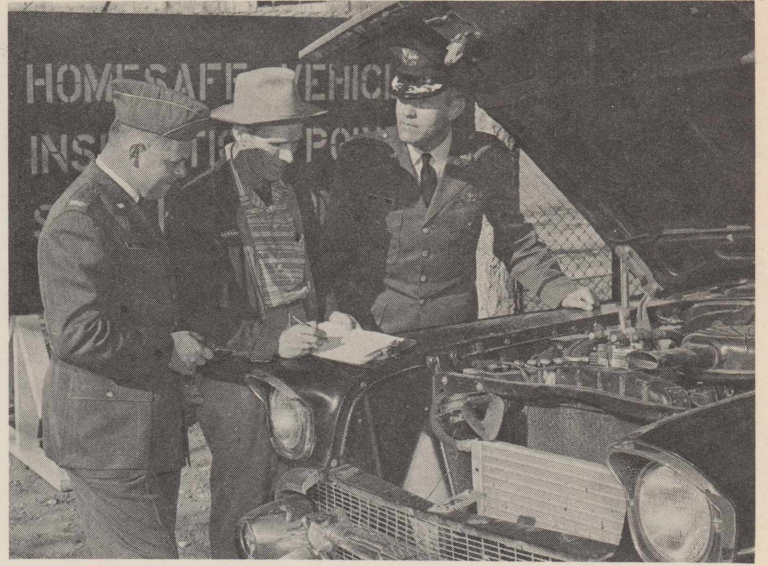
The burning of the Yule Log can be traced back many years in English history and the custom of its use goes back even to the Vikings who burned the log in honor of the god Thor.

Also because of these Norsemen, the belief is that Santa Claus is supposed to go down the chimney. According to their belief, a goddess named Hertha appeared in the fireplace in the middle of the winter to bring them luck and happiness.

Various woods have been treated with metallic chemicals to add to the brilliance of burning the wood in the fireplace. The burning of candles is also traditional with the holiday season.



ATC's military population at the end of October was 140,576, as compared with 832,581 strength Air Force-wide. Total ATC strength, including civilians, was 168,263 as compared to USAF's 1,798,715.



SAFETY CHECK—Harold C. Ingraham, chief inspector of the Motor Pool's quality control section, conducts the first vehicle safety check Friday in Reese's "Operation Homesafe" program. The car, owned by Col. Harold T. Babb, right, Reese deputy commander, was given a thorough inspection. Looking on is Col. L. C. Hess, Reese commander. (Photo by Moore).

Roundhead Prohibition Thwarted Public Observance Of Christmas

Christmas is a time of rejoicing, and Americans customarily think of it in terms of Merry England festivity — carol singing, plum puddings, roasts on the fire, a glittering tree, heaps of presents.

Yet one of the oddest sidelights in the history of the holiday is that at one time the British were forbidden by law to celebrate Christmas with good cheer.

Oliver Cromwell's Parliament of 1644 passed an act that made all the traditional Yuletide fix-in's illegal. Roast a turkey or fat goose for the holiday and you were a dead duck. You ended up before a glowering Puritan judge the next morning.

Not only was rich food forbidden but Cromwell's regime made Christmas a day of compulsory fasting. It was held to be

strictly a religious event at which any show of light-heartedness or high spirits was nothing short of blasphemy.

So Christmas celebration became a thing to be carried on behind lock doors and shuttered windows. But Cromwell's Roundhead cavalry, although it could prevent public observance of the day as more than an occasion for church-going and pious meditation, could not stifle the sturdy Briton's love of a good time.

There is evidence that plenty of cheery frolicking went on in private, and that people danced and feasted as they had in the days of King Charles I before Cromwell came to power.

When the throne was restored in 1660 in the person of Charles II, the Yuletide lights blazed again.

General Urges Man Match Weapons

Several statements of importance to Reese personnel were made last weekend by speakers at the annual Air Training Command information officer and editor conference.

"There has been a tendency to fix emphasis on hardware," said Brig. Gen. Dwight O. Monteith, ATC chief of staff. "But we must not overlook the personnel area. We must have men trained on time for where they are needed. We must realize that people must be ready to match up with weapons."

"The public relies more on statements of men in uniform, or those who have been in uniform, than on any other source for their true information on defense," declared Col. Roger B. Payne, chief of internal information in USAF headquarters. "Air Force people must be well-informed and be able to explain what the public wants to know."

"We must be proud of our service," commented Brig. Gen. Noel F. Parrish, assistant for coordination for the Deputy Chief of Staff, plans and planning, USAF. "We must explain the Air Force and the purpose it serves. We must understand its works and make them clear to all."

"Air Training Command people

are partners in aerospace," said Col. W. L. Helmantoler, chief of Information, ATC. "We have the best airmen we ever had, by a wide margin. They are more efficient and more dedicated. We have a wonderful story to tell; we all should feel it, and tell it."

Utilities Survey Aimed At Usage

A campaign to survey usage of gas and electricity at Reese has been started with the view of identifying and monitoring building areas where costs may be cut.

The Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Explorer Scouts, and Cub Scouts are taking on utility use in their homes in Reese Village as winter projects and will discuss means of conserving lights and gas.

The projects are aimed at conservation of utilities through elimination of unneeded heat and lights.

Project officers will report on Jan. 6 to Col. L. C. Hess, base commander, on accomplishments and means which can be further developed to further conservation.

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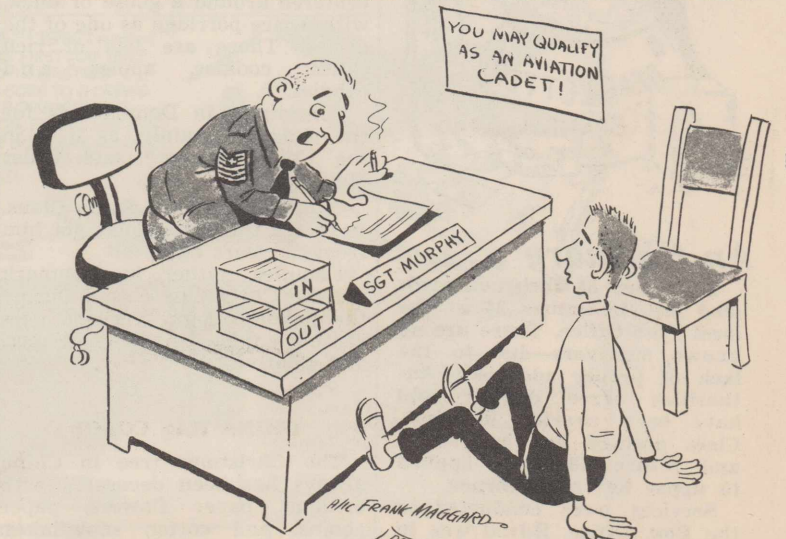
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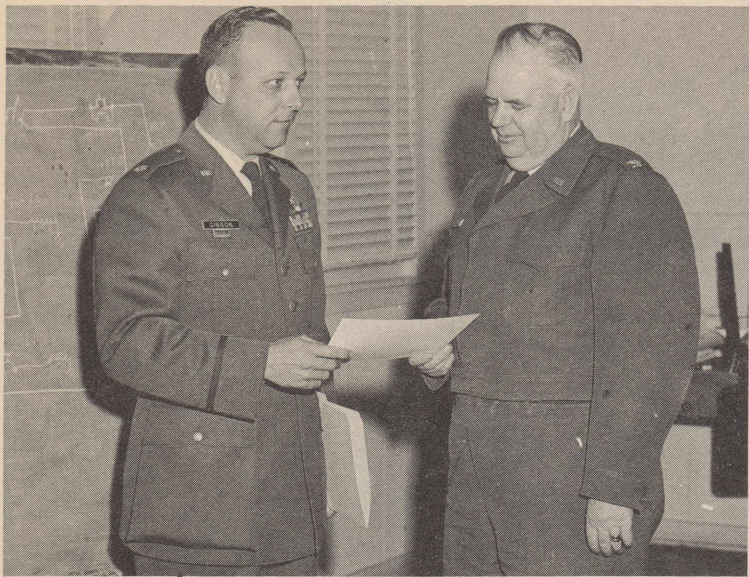
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FIRST GRADUATE—Major Ben S. Gibson, chief of maintenance, presents the first diploma to Col. William A. Martin, commander, M&S Group, on graduation of Group officers from the general aircrew familiarization course. The course, taught by the Mobile Training Detachment, was originated by Major Gibson.

Ex-Collegians Fill Class 60-H

All but 7 of the 43 members of Class 60-H, just arrived at Reese for basic pilot training, are former college students. Two are graduates.

Twenty-seven colleges and universities are represented in the all-cadet class, which includes two students from Germany, two from Denmark, and one each from Iran and Viet Nam.

Texas and New York lead the 21 states with 5 students each, while California has 4, Florida 3, and Pennsylvania, Oregon, and North Carolina 2 each.

Texas students are from Houston, Dallas, Texarkana, Seguin, and Snyder. Included is Cadet Clarence W. Hough, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ester Hough, 306 Twenty-third street, Snyder, a 1959 graduate of Texas Tech who majored in education.

The Reese students will undergo 115 hours of flying training, in addition to instruction in academic and military subjects, prior to graduation next June 14. Class 60-H is the first to train under a new syllabus which re-organized training into a revised sequence of instruction.

The students received primary pilot training in civilian contract schools at four air bases—Spence and Bainbridge, Ga., and Bartow and Graham, Fla.

Coming and Going—

ARRIVING:
A/3C Richard W. Booker, M&S Group headquarters.
A/3C Robert W. Egger, Wing Headquarters Squadron.

DEPARTING:
A/1C Elsworth Fisher, Hospital, December, Olstead AFB, recruiting.

Bob T. Moore, formerly assigned to the wing inspector's office, has been promoted to senior master sergeant at Chateaufaux, France.

Rhymes of the Times

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Military Improvement Suggestions On Base Hit 47 In Last Fiscal Year

Forty-seven military suggestions for management improvements were adopted at Reese during Fiscal Year 1959, bringing tangible annual savings of \$10,384 to the base, Tom Ireland, of the incentive awards committee, said Thursday.

Many of the suggestions were adopted at other bases to add to benefits. Suggestions resulted in changes to Air Training Command forms and regulations, Air Materiel Command changes to regulations, changes in administrative and technical procedures at Reese, and improvements to base morale and welfare and safety practices.

Many of the Reese suggestions were considered by ATC in its Military Suggestion Program, which brought monetary awards to four airmen. Pending authorization by the Department of Defense to use appropriated funds for awards, ATC allocated \$1700 for Fiscal Year 1959 from welfare funds.

A first prize of \$700 went to SSgt. Raymond L. Woodall of Craig and the suggestion was entered in the Air Force competition for \$4,250. Woodall suggested torquing of a clamp assembly on the tailpipe of a T-33, then adding a seal. It has saved \$12,000 a year at Craig.

Other ATC winners were TSgt. Lenial L. Carter, Moody; SSgt. William S. Morgan, Keesler; and SMSgt. Oliver H. Barber, ATC headquarters.

ATC winners have received

the Air Force Commendation Medal in addition to monetary awards.

Among proposals at Reese was one by SMSgt. Paul Peacher, former wing sergeant major, for deletion of two persons from his organization's Unit Manning Document. The idea saved \$5,000 a year for the base.

SSgt. Wilburn Ford, formerly of Reese, submitted an idea to save \$2,400 through consolidation of the Parcel Post Section.

Writers Invited To Enter Contest

Reese writers this week were urged to prepare for the next Air Force short story contest, which offers cash prizes.

A new regulation governing competition has been received by the base library. Criteria governing submission of manuscripts state that stories must be original, unpublished, and not to exceed 6,000 words in length.

The Air Force offers \$350 as first prize, \$250 for second place, \$150 for third, \$100 for fourth, and \$50 for fifth. Additional cash will be awarded by ATC and Reese.

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