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## Murrow Conducts Interviews



Edward R. Murrow, famous radio and television personality, interviews troops for future broadcast on Stateside television program "See it Now".

## 'See it Now' TV Show Films 21st in Tripoli

Since the memorable move of the 21st Fighter-Bomber Wing from California to France, the Wing has received wide-spread publicity in both civilian and military journals.

On April 6, the 21st was again brought into the limelight. Technicians for Mr. Edward R. Murrow's "See It Now" television show arrived at Wheelus Field, Tripoli, on that date, to film U.S. Air Force activities in North Africa.

Coincidence placed the 21st Wing at Wheelus for their semi-annual gunnery training period, and a segment of the nationally televised show will be devoted to aircraft and personnel of the 21st.

Numerous sequences for the program were shot on April 6, 7 and 8. Murrow arrived at the gunnery location on April 9 to supervise proceedings and to conduct personal interviews.

Among the various scenes captured on film were: three aircraft of the 531st Sq coming in for a landing. The planes were piloted by — Capt Dean E. Salmeier, 1st Lt's Victor R. Hollandsworth and Charles G. Lamb. Next, Lt Col Ross Beamer of the 72nd Sq led a four ship fly-by, with Capt's William D. Curry, Robert E. Dobyns and 1st Lt John T. Conley piloting the other aircraft.

During the same afternoon, two T33 aircraft, with 1st Lt's James J. Malone and David E. Combs at the controls, were photographed as they landed at the Wheelus flightline.

On the following day, April 7, the cameras were focused on Capt Jerry Auger, of 21st Fighter-Group Hq, as he supervised the unloading of equipment from a C119. Later, the camera crews went to the 531st Operations building to

shoot scenes of a pilot's briefing session. First Lieutenant Robert Edge repeated the briefing eight times, thus allowing the cameramen to take both far-away and close-up shots.

On the afternoon of the 8th,

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## Ribbon Cutting Ceremonies of Theater and Snack Bar Highlights Week of 13th

### A Memorable Event



Friday the 13th was a lucky day at Chambley as Base Commander, Colonel Robert R. Rowland, cuts ribbon at opening ceremonies of the new snack bar, with smiles of approval from (left to right) Mrs. Robert R. Rowland, Mr. Anthony Ellis, Area Supervisor, Mr William D. Magnusson, AFEX Manager at Chambley and Mr. George Levy, Snack Bar Manager.

## Friday, 13th Lucky For CAB Personnel

Chambley Air Base put a large dent in the old belief that Friday the 13th is a day of unavoidable bad luck, when to the contrary this past Friday the 13th turned out to be one of the luckiest days seen around Chambley in quite some time.

At 1200 hours Mrs. Robert R. Rowland and Mrs. Ira M. Sussky, were presented with large bouquets of flowers as Base Commander, Colonel Robert R. Rowland, cut the ribbon which opened the doors of the new, fully equipped AFEX snack bar.

The first two customers after the ribbon cutting ceremony were A/3C Ted Dubner and A/3C James Reinke, both of the 21st Air Police Sq, the place has been doing a landslide business ever since.

The seating capacity of the snack bar is 108 persons, with 42 employees, who work in two shifts, on hand to keep service moving smoothly. The operation falls under the capable supervision of Mr. George Levy, snack bar manager.

## 21st Celebrates 12th Anniversary



Maj Gen Robert M. Lee

Tomorrow the 21st Fighter Bomber Wing, celebrates its 12th anniversary since its activation during World War II, when the Wing served in the Pacific Theater of operations. During the pacific conflict the 21st was commanded by Colonel Kenneth R. Powell, who is now serving as Base Commander at Spangdahlem Air Base, Germany. A noteworthy fact concerning the 21st during its tour of duty in the Pacific, is that while based at Iwo Jima, the 21st flew the first land-based fighters over Japan.

Colonel Robert R. Rowland, Base Commander, assumed command of



Colonel Robert R. Rowland

the Wing shortly after its reactivation in 1953 at George AFB, California. Colonel Rowland, wartime ace of the southwest pacific area, attained his present rank in the brief span of five wartime years at the age of 26. His able leadership has guided the personnel and aircraft of the 21st over the long trip from California to Chambley, where for the past 16 months after long hours of training and work the Wing has shaped into a unit that is prepared to deploy anywhere and accomplish any task within reason.

Following is the anniversary message to the 21st from Maj Gen Robert M. Lee, 12th Air Force Commander. "The 21st



Colonel Kenneth R. Powell

Group, predecessor of your organization, was activated in Hawaii as another member of the rapidly expanding Army Air Forces. The 21st knew long months of defensive deployment on the Islands before it was called to battle the following February. When the men and planes of the 21st finally showed their teeth, they carried themselves with valor, aiding in the destruction of the Japanese war machine and collecting three battle stars in their short period of combat. Twelve years later, the 21st is once again

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The second big event of the day was the grand opening of the Base Theater, which opened at 1730 hours, with A/1C Joe Gingras, Supply Sq., as the first paying customer. Lt Col Ira M. Sussky, Air Base Group Commander acted as master of ceremonies, as he introduced newly arrived Chaplin, 1st Lt Curtis M. Bean, who gave the invocation. Lt Col Sussky then introduced Colonel Rowland, who gave a short speech in which he praised the hard work of the Air Installations who worked night and day during the final week on the \$10,000 project, (see story page 2).

Colonel Rowland then had the projectionist put a 16mm picture on the screen as he said, "this is what you have been used to and this is what we will have from now on", at this, one of the two 35mm projectors flashed a cinemascope picture on the screen. Colonel Rowland then stepped forward and cut the ribbon in front of the screen as everyone sat back in their cushioned seats to enjoy, "Meet Me in Las Vegas", in cinemascope with Dan Dailey and Cyd Charrese.

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## Officers Wives Club Welcomes Chambley Newcomers At Reception

by Ida Mizelle Joseph

Everyone was invited to the Newcomer's Coffee on April 10 and just about everyone came, including six newcomers: Mmes. Loren Bean, Vikki Vaughn, Pat Mack, Marlene Grundeland, Joan Edmunds and Nan Smith. Welcome to Chambley, girls!

Mrs. Bettie Jo Snowden was the lucky winner of the door prize, a beautiful hydrangea plant. Many thanks to Mrs. Lillian Cummings and her committee for the lovely reception.

It is with much regret when we say *Au revoir* to Indie Joe Dellaripa, but with our *Au revoir* goes our sincere wishes for success and happiness for her at her next post.

The AACS and Weather wives, hostesses for the April 12 luncheon, really decorated with spring in mind. On the tables, covered with pastel tablecloths,

even more so this month than last month with three raffle prizes. Winners and prizes: Mmes Joyce Bosworth, a large relish dish; Liz Sizemore, a brass wine bottle holder and Sybil McCartney, a bud vase.

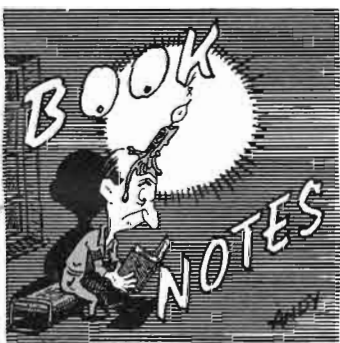
During the regular business meeting it was announced that there would be a bake sale for the Girl Scouts on April 21. Please help if you have the time to spare. The scouts are in dire need of funds to carry out their newly set up program.

A tour through the pottery factory near Nancy has been planned for April 25. If interested, sign the reservation lists posted in the commissary and the powder room.

The Officers Wives Club scrapbook is now compiled and up to date. It will be on display at the Wives Club luncheon each month.

There are also plans for a crystal show in the making. Nothing definite yet — but we hope to have more information in the next issue of the *Sabre*. were tulips and hyacinth plants in quaint, wooden Dutch shoes. Everything was so pleasing to the eye.

Nancy Augur surprised everyone



by Ruth Austin

Attention all ye' future authors! Don't forget to submit your manuscripts for the fifth annual Air Force short story contest. All military personnel assigned or attached to the USAF are eligible to enter.

For those who think they might need a little help in writing a short story, we have quite a few good books on the subject. Perrin's *Writer's Guide and Index to English* should be a starter. Then there is *How to Write for Pleasure and Profit* by William Bowser.

Want to write a mystery? We have A. S. Burack's *Writing Detective and Mystery Stories*. Arthur Hoffman's *The Writing of Fiction* and *The Writer's Handbook* by Burack are two exceptionally fine books. The latter volume includes 1,000 markets for the sale of manuscripts.

Suggestions can be found in these and other good books about: what to write, what type of articles will interest magazine editors and how to budget your time in writing. So get started on that story!

### Best Sellers

Among the current "Best Sellers" available at the library

are: *The Search for Bridey Murphy* by Morey Bernstein, *The Rising Storm* by Marguerite Allis, *Tender Victory* by Taylor Caldwell, *The Gentleman* by Edison Marshall and *The Last Hurrah* by Edwin O'Connor.

## AIO Personnel Direct Theater Construction

by Richard L. Scammacca

Constructing prefabs, as well as maintaining the trailer park and other structures around the base, are only a few duties of the 21st Installations Squadron. One of their most recent projects was the construction of the new base theater.

The theater features all the comforts of a Stateside movie house. It has a sloping floor, indirect lighting, soft cushion seats, two 35mm projectors and best of all, a CinemaScope screen.

The project was first started on the drafting boards of the AIO engineering section in early January.

The actual construction of the building was handled by personnel of the ground maintenance section. With the frame-work in place, carpenters went to work, under the supervision of T/Sgt Watson W. Smith. They installed rough braces, beams and sound proofing boards. Next, they covered the floor braces with plywood and hardwood, which was shellacked and polished to a high gloss.

While the carpenters were still driving nails, the electricians began running cables for the projectors and the interior lighting. S/Sgt Wayne Dennis directed the operation. The seats and projectors were installed by AF-EX.

S/Sgt Claud Deakle was in charge of the installation of plumbing facilities, while A/2C Dick Bergman provided the sheet metal lining for the walls of the projection booth.

Within the next few weeks, the theater will be painted inside and out. The interior will feature soft pastel colors and the outside will be finished in green.



The right to vote—like all other rights guaranteed by the Constitution—also implies a duty.

Basically, we servicemen are in uniform to protect our democratic way of life against communist encroachment. With so many nations of the world now under totalitarian rule, it follows that we should have our voting rights more deeply impressed in our minds than ever before.

Free governments will continue to be free only so long as citizens exercise their right and duty to vote.

The right to choose between candidates for a public office is a precious thing. The communists—like the fascists before them—know this. Almost immediately upon obtaining control of a country, they choke off this most direct expression of the people's will. The one-party ballot becomes the order of the day.

Simply marking a ballot, however, does not complete our obligation. We must endeavor to vote intelligently. To do this, we must try to be as informed as possible about election issues.

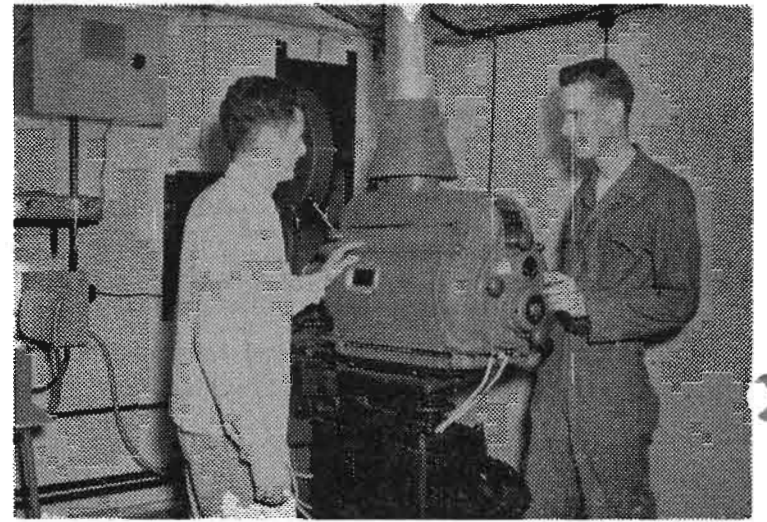
Keep in touch with national and community affairs. Read the newspaper—your home town paper also, if possible—and listen to news broadcasts over radio and TV.

Only by casting an informed vote can you exercise your right and duty completely. (AFPS)

### For Sale

Argus C-3 camera, 3.5 lens with accessories - case, flash gun, filters lens shade and 100 mm telescopic 4.5 lens. Asking \$65.00. Contact A/2C Richard L. Scammacca - 21st Instal Sq - Ext. 153.

## New 35mm Projector



A/IC Paul J. Smith, (right) Air Police Sq and S/Sgt Lloyd J. Rouse, (left) Food Service Sq, who are the projectionist at the Base Theater seem like proud fathers over the new 35mm CinemaScope projector.

## Experienced Teachers Needed For Base Educational Program

by Mr. C. de Kanter

Many officers and airmen on the base have had previous experience as teachers at high school or college levels. We would certainly like to hear from these fortunate individuals in order to have them help us with our off-duty education program. There is a limit to the classes we can offer to our students — based on the availability of teachers to help us turn the trick.

We are extremely fortunate at the present to have instructors for the courses in *American Government and History, English and Typing*. However, we would like to offer courses in *Mathematics, Algebra, Geography, State and Local Government of California, Shortland and Eighth Grade English*. All of these courses are proposed at a high school level.

Instructors should have completed college, although a certificate is not required. Previous class-room experience is preferable, if not essential.

This is a good chance for some officer, airman or dependent to make some additional pin-money and obtain class-room experience at the same time. If you feel you are qualified to teach any of these courses, please contact the education center immediately.

There is no longer a limit on the total wages an officer or airman is permitted to receive for off-duty work. This provides a good chance for some of you who are already earning some

income through non-appropriated funds to make a little additional "loot."

Instructors at a university or college level are also in demand. If you have a Master's Degree in any subject, or only a B.A. or B.S. Degree with a major with over six courses in any particular subject, also inquire at the education center about the chances of teaching for the University of Maryland program.

The pay is excellent and since it is not from U.S. Government sources, it is free of tax, provided you are overseas for 510 successive days.

We are particularly anxious to get someone qualified to teach *Speech, Military Science and Business Administration*. Applications for the university level teaching positions are dependent upon acceptance by the University of Maryland.

By the way, we have done it again! Five more certificates of equivalency for high school level G.E.D. tested individuals have been received. Have you started your tests yet?

Our college campus was recently enriched with a magnificent snack bar and theater. We're grateful to the Board of Directors of our miniature university campus for making these services available to all students and non-students of this community.

After completing a course, when you are thoroughly fagged out, why not join the other members of your class in a "post-mortum" bull-session?

## New Fox Picture Depicts Sonic Age of U.S. Air Force

NEW YORK (AFPS) — "On the Threshold of Space," a new and significant movie about the supersonic jet age, had its opening here recently.

No science fiction, this. Authenticity and accuracy are its bywords.

Produced by Twentieth Century Fox, Guy Madison, Virginia Leith and the late John Hodiak are featured.

Mr. Hodiak's role is reportedly a thinly-veiled characterization of the life of Lt. Col.

John Paul Stapp. Col. Stapp rode a rocket sled faster than any man on earth.

The film tells the quiet work of the flying daredevils of space who are members of the Air Research and Development Command of the Air Force.

Remark the reviewers of the *New York Journal - American*: "This is one picture that's bigger than CinemaScope in which it is presented, for "On the Threshold of Space" is, literally out of this world."



By Claire, Patt And Rhoda

Hi there - these last two weeks in April are going to be busy ones at your service club. There will be two more musical stage shows; one tonight entitled "Fancy Free" and another on Sunday April 29, known as "Picadilly Pageant," a musical straight from London. Don't forget, these shows are held in the 416th hangar and begin at 2030 hours.

Tomorrow night's "Disc Jockey" show will give all you fellows who have a favorite Bee-Bop or Hill-Billy platter to spin, a chance to operate. Come over to the club and bring your friends.

Sunday's tour is a repeat performance to the popular cathedral at Rheims. The tour will include, not only the cathedral sights but, an inside look at the champagne cellars — and we hope a few samples. Included on the same tour will be a visit to the historical little red School House where the peace treaty of WW II was signed.

The Grand Tour of Holland, April 27 - 29, is a must on your sight-seeing agenda. The price is right, the luxury liner coach comfortable and the tulip fields in full bloom. All these factors combined should make this tour the best yet.

If you haven't signed-up for this tour yet, come over to the club and do so today. It's a bargain at \$22.00 and the tour is open to all military personnel, wives, "Tripoli Widows" and ci-

### Utility Personnel at Wheelus Field

Along with the people of the Fighter Squadrons there are quite a few other personnel of the 21st at Wheelus Field, Tripoli, who are contributing to the success and to the efficient manner in which the gunnery training operations are being carried out.

The following is a list of the OIC's, NCOIC's and the number of men each squadron has at Wheelus. T Sgt Edward H. Ling and 14 cooks, S Sgt Norman F. Dunn and 17 Air Policemen, S Sgt Forrest L. Jones, 21st Communications, Capt. Webb W. Wilson and 2 medics 1st Lt Joseph S. Ujobai, and M Sgt Richard J. Kardash, Fighter Group, Adjutant and First Sergeant, Capt. John Mamanakis, and three men from Base Weather, 6 men from Base Flight, 38 men from Field Maintenance, and 6 drivers, 2 mechanics and 1 supply man from the Motor Vehicle Sq.

vilians.

By checking the service club schedule, below, you'll notice that there is something going on at your club every night of the week, so don't be a "Barracks Bum" — come out and be sociable.

- April 20**  
Stage Show - 2030 hours.  
"Fancy Free".
- April 21**  
Disc Jockey Show - 2000 hours.
- April 22**  
Coffee Call - 0900 hours.  
Rheims Tour - 1000 hours.  
Fencing - 1900 hours.  
Open House - 2000 hours.
- April 23**  
Learn A New Card Game - 2000 hours.
- April 24**  
Quiz Time - 2000 hours.
- April 25**  
Dancing Lessons - 2000 hours.
- April 26**  
BINGO - 2030 hours.  
Holland Tour Departs - 2000 hours.
- April 27**  
Chess, Checkers and Refreshments - 2000 hours.
- April 28**  
April Birthday Party - 2000 hours.
- April 29**  
Coffee Call - 0900 hours.  
Fencing - 1900 hours.  
Stage Show - "Picadilly Pageant" - 2030 hours.  
Holland Tour Returns - 2400 hours.
- April 30**  
Canasta Night - 2000 hours.

### Going My Way?



Abbe Lane

### Maintenance Wood Shop Builds Skeet Houses For Rod and Gun Club

by S/Sgt Emmet L. Allen

The men in the Maintenance Sq wood shop constructed three skeet houses recently for the Rod and Gun Club's firing range. These buildings will be used for the purpose of tossing clay pigeons into the air, thus sharpening the shooting eyes of club members.

A mobile control tower has also been produced by Maintenance personnel. The sections responsible for the project are: the sheet metal, welding, comm, wood and electrical shops. This tower will serve as a model for the rest of the bases in Europe.

### Congratulations

New babies... Of course, we have them too! M/Sgt (Doctor) Sanford G. Agnew delivered a little girl on the way to the hospital. T/Sgt Francis W. Giles is the proud father of a new son.

### Two Grand



T/Sgt Roderick W. Anderson of the 72nd FBS, seems mighty concerned about that \$2,059 that he is receiving from Finance Cashier, S/Sgt Harold Eichler, but then again who wouldn't be concerned. Sgt Anderson just reenlisted for six years for Erding Air Depot, Germany.

### M&S Group to Sponsor Wing's Birthday Party

Headquarters M&S Group will be hosts for the 21st Fighter-Bomber Wing's 12th Anniversary party to be held at the Officers Club tomorrow night.

There will be accommodations for "Tripoli Widows," dancing from 2100 to 0100 and "Free Bar" all night.

Chairman of the party committee is Maj John K. Stanifer.

### Our Apologies

In the last edition of the Sabre, it was reported that the 21st Comm Sq was responsible for the installation of new radios in five Air Police jeeps.

It has since been brought to our attention that the job was actually handled by the communications section of the 21st Maint Sq.

The Sabre was misinformed. The Sabre extends its sincerest apologies.

## Chaplain's Corner

Believe it or not—I am glad I was assigned to the 21st Fighter-Bomber Wing at Chambley. It is good to be here. Frankly, I have never had it so good. The mud at Niagara Falls and Bordeaux was deeper than it is at Chambley and we had much less to work with in the way of physical facilities.

After two months here, I realize that there is much to be done in every area of our activities. A good start has been made by those who have gone before. There is much yet to be accomplished, but I think this fact in itself gives us a sense of mission. I personally would not like to be here if there were nothing to do.

We have many plans in the mill for our Protestant program. Among them are the opening of the base nursery during services, organization of one or more choirs, combination of Sunday School and Junior Church to reach more people in both activities and to make both activities more effective and the combination of Fellowship night and Family night into one big happy affair.

This Chaplain and his family are glad to be here. Our purpose is to help the Wing accomplish its mission; to lead the Protestant Chapel Activities of the base and to do all we can in promoting good morale and high morals among the personnel of the base. We will need help and encouragement. Your constructive suggestions as to how we can best serve will be appreciated.

Curtis M. Bean  
Chaplain (1st Lt) USAF

## Base Chapel Religious Services

### CATHOLIC

Sunday Masses .....	0900 & 1000 hours
Weekday Masses .....	0700 hours
Confessions - Saturday .....	1900 to 2000 hours
Catechism - Saturday .....	1000 hours

### PROTESTANT

Sunday Worship Service .....	1100 & 1930 hours
Sunday School - Base School .....	0945 hours
Junior Church - Sunday - Prefab .....	1100 hours
Protestant Fellowship - Thursday .....	1930 hours
Episcopal Sunday School - Prefab .....	0900 hours

## NCO Wives Hold Social Meeting

by Laura Davenport

Chambley's NCO Wives Club held their first social meeting under the new officers last Tuesday evening. Mrs. Eleanor Lusse, chairman; Mrs. Vera Liggins and Mrs. Loretta Krause served as hostesses.

During the evening, Bingo was featured by playing just four games, with major prizes, rather than shorter games with individual gifts. Each table was decorated with spring flowers. Everyone enjoyed a lovely time.

The former Board of Governors entertained with a coffee for the new Board in the club lounge early this week. Flower decorations consisted of beautiful hydrangeas. Each place card was made of a dainty handkerchief.

Club members are reminded to bring any old clothing to the business meeting on May 1. These clothes are to be donated to blind, and needy families.

### HOT AIR



"Be sure and tell me when we get outside the pull of gravity!"

### 4 Weeks Till Next Sabre

The next issue of the Chambley Sabre will be published on May 18. It will consist of two editions — one in English and one in French. The French edition will be distributed to the many civilian guests who will be visiting the base on May 19, Armed Forces Day. The regularly scheduled edition of May 4 will not be published.

## Cinema-Scoops

April 20

Davy Crockett, with Fess Parker and Buddy Ebsen; also News Weekly.

April 21

The Great Lover, with Bob Hope, Rhonda Fleming and Robert Young; also Football game of the Week (West Va. Vs Pitt).

April 22-23

Land of the Pharaohs, with Jack Hawkins and Joan Collins; also News Weekly.

April 24

The Crooked Web, with Frank Lovejoy and Mari Blanchard; also Football Game of the Week (Army vs Navy).

April 25

Devil's Harbor, with Richard Arlen and Greta Gynt; also Armed Force Magazine and Cartoon.

April 26-27

The King's Thief, with Edmund Purdom and Ann Blyth; also News Weekly, Popeye and Sportscope.

April 28

The Vanishing American, with Scott Brady and Forrest Tucker; also The Three Stooges.

April 29-30

A Man Called Peter, with Richard Todd and Jean Peters; also News Weekly.

# Hamlett Releases Baseball Roster For Desert Rats 1956 Diamond Campaign

Late last week, Russ Hamlett, player-manager of the Chambley baseball squad, released the names of the 20 men who will wear Desert Rat uniforms during the 1956 Eastern France Conference diamond campaign.

The Desert Rats were scheduled to play two practice contests against the Army nine of the Tournebride Depot in Metz last weekend. The games were re-scheduled, however, due to inclement weather and wet grounds.

This weekend the team will take to the road for a pair of practice games with the Laon Rangers. On the following weekend, April 28 and 29, the Trier, Germany nine will play two exhibition games on Chambley's home field. On May 5 and 6, one week prior to the opening game of the regular season, the Etain Pioneers will be here for two more exhibition contests.

According to conference rules,

only 18 men can be carried on the team's traveling roster. Hamlett has named 20 men to the squad, with the intention of keeping two players on a super-numerary list in case of injuries.

When asked about the possibilities of this year's team, Hamlett stated that the '56 Desert Rats will be hard to beat. He pointed out that Donato Dapolito, at second, and Lynn Heintz, in center, who both represented Chambley at last year's 12th Air Force All-Star game, will both be back for a full season of activity.

Al Foreman, shortstop, and Bob Chance, on the mound, are two more star performers back from the '55 squad. Other mainstays on Hamlett's pitching staff will be Bud Whitehead and John Harris. Catching chores will be handled by Hamlett and Claud Deakle.

**1956 Diamond Rats**  
1st Base - Cherry, Ewers.

2nd Base - Dapolito, Cortez.  
Shortstop - Foreman, Lee.  
3rd Base - Wilks, Salcido.  
Left Field - Brown.  
Center Field - Heintz.  
Right Field - Berguson, Rothrock, Herron.  
Catcher - Hamlett, Deakle.  
Pitchers - Chance, Harris, Whitehead, Pickett, Redman.  
Coaches - Cleveland, Barbero.  
Manager - Hamlett.

## Laon Rangers Blank Desert Rat's 11-0

The TDY riddled Chambley soccer squad fell to a crushing defeat last April 7th, at the hands of the Laon Team. The rangers started the scoring spree from the opening gun and when the final seconds had ticked off the scoreboard read 11-0, Laon.

Six players from last seasons championship team have been lost, four men via TDY's to Tripoli and two others quit. All that remains now is a skeleton crew of 11 men, the exact number of players required to field a soccer team. The present players are, Al Dubois, Goalie, Doug Daily, Right Fullback, John Pollack, Left Fullback, George Day, Right Halfback, Ed Bullock, Center Halfback, Bob Dacoate, Left Halfback, Al Lynch, Right Wing, Al Bryant Half Left, Fred Teichert, Center Forward, Rudy Locke, Left Half, and Dick Salcido, Left Wing. The team is badly in need of more players, so let's give them some support by coming out and playing for the team regardless of whether you ever had any previous experience.

## New Gray Lady Course

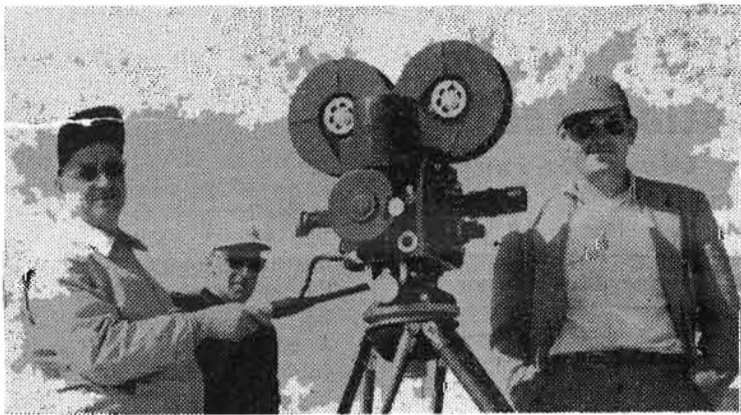
Classes for the new, Gray Lady course will begin May 9th, 10th and 11th at 1300 hours in the hospital. There will be interviews at the NCO Club April 20th at 1330 hours and at the Officers Club on April 23rd at 1330 hours.

## Murrow in Tripoli



Gunnery Camp Commander, Lt Col Charles J. Bowers, (left) and Col Ross Beamer (right) having a talk with Edward R. Murrow (center) during his recent visit to North Africa.

## Hollywood Talent Scouts



Camera crew of the Edward R. Murrow television show "See it Now" felt at home in the North African sun as they filmed highlights of the gunnery training at Wheelus. Left to right: Mr Leo Rossi, Chief Engineer, Mr David Blumgart, Sound Engineer, Mr Robert Clemens, Assistant Cameraman.

## Murrow

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the technicians departed for the gunnery range in the Libyan Desert to shoot scenes of the jets in action.

Col Beamer's flight made two dry run passes at the target area, and as the cameras turned, the flight made firing passes with rockets, practice bombs and 50 caliber machine guns.

First to be interviewed, upon Murrow's arrival, was Lt Col Charles J. Bowers, Gunnery Camp Commander. Following are a few of Murrow's questions and the answers he received:

Q: "Why is the 21st Wing here and how often do they come to Tripoli?"

A: "We come down to increase our gunnery proficiency and this is the third encampment in less than a year."

Q: "What is the average age of your pilots, Colonel?"

A: "26 to 30."

Q: "Who is the oldest fighter pilot in the group?"

A: "Lt Col Ross Beamer."

Col Bowers then introduced Murrow to Col Beamer, after which Murrow briefly inter-

## Rumors are Flying

# Chambley Ball Park 'Best in France'

"When we get through, this is going to be the best diamond in France." These were the words of T/Sgt Harry Chrisman, when he was interviewed by the *Sabre* last week, concerning the new baseball diamond that is being built near the main gate. Construction of the new diamond began on April 9.

Under the direction of Chrisman, A/1C Lavelle A. Ross, Hq Air Base Gp, and A/3C Norward R. Yates, 21st Comm Sq have been working like beavers in order to make the grounds ready for Chambley's scheduled exhibition game on April 28.

According to Chrisman's description of the new park, it undoubtedly will be the best in France.

The infield, around the bases, will be inlaid with hard-rolled clay and red-brick dust. There will be grass around the pitchers mound and in the outfield.

The new park will also have a home run fence, measuring approximately 6 feet in height. The dimensions will be - 340 to left and right and 370 to center. Chrisman pointed out that these dimensions are comparable to a good many Major League parks.

As a final added attraction for Desert Rat fans, bleachers will be installed to accommodate some 800 spectators.

There have been rumors flying to the effect that 12th Air Force Athletic Officials are looking for a base in France with proper facilities for the 1956 12th AF All-Star game. The big hold-back at most France bases is the lack of an adequate press box for such a contest.

It only took 48 hours to build a basketball court at Chambley. The chances are better than even that it wouldn't take that long to build a press box.

## Cancer Will Claim 250,000 American Lives This Year

"Combat takes an awful toll. And no one knows better than the serviceman ... what it means to lose a buddy. But there is a killer in civilian life whose grim harvest of loved ones is as fully awesome. It will take about 250,000 lives in the United States this year.

"The killer is cancer. And there is a relentless war on to win final and complete victory over this cruel enemy."

The above two paragraphs were extracted from the Armed Forces Handbook of the American Cancer Society. On April 4, the 1956 American Cancer Society Campaign began at Chambley Air Base and it will continue until April 30.

Your contributions are needed to help combat this dreaded disease. Many times throughout the year individuals are asked to contribute to various fund raising campaigns. Probably none is more deserving than the American Cancer Society Campaign.

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In 1954 alone, cancer killed 146 persons to every one person who died from Polio. Cancer is the second greatest killer in the United States. Only heart ailments take more.

Your contribution to the Cancer Society will be used for research, education and care of cancer patients. Keep these facts in mind when you are asked for a donation to this worthy campaign.

## Anniversary

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standing alert. Half way around the globe from your previous defensive assignment you are contributing to the arsenal of NATO, helping to insure the peace that cost the lives of many young men flying under your colors. Your record since joining 12th Air Force has been superior, and was highlighted last summer by your winning the USAFE special weapons contest. On behalf of my staff and all of 12th Air Force, I wish you and your personnel the happiest of anniversaries."

## Independents Head American League; M&S; 72nd Fight for National Title

Bowling activity in Chambley's 1955-56 league play will come to a close within the next two weeks.

It's still anybody's guess as to which team will represent the National League in the post-season tournament against the American Loop champions. M&S Group is presently holding down the top spot by a slim margin over the 72nd Sq.

The Independents of the American Circuit have virtually sewed-up top honors in their league. They hold a 15 game advantage over the second place NCO Club team, with only one week of competition yet to be seen.

In the individual brackets, two American League records fell on March 30, during one

evening of play. Vic Giere of the Independents rolled a 234, in the first game, new high singles mark. This broke Don Cauwels 232 high game of last October 7. The record stood for only a matter of minutes, however, as Frank Urbanitch of the Food Service team rolled a 237 game in the second contest of the evening.

Bill Medart from TAC Hospital set a new high game score in the National League, also on March 30. Medart, who carries a meager 128 average, rolled a fabulous 233 game for the Medics.

Above mentioned statistics for both leagues were provided early this week by bowling secretary and statistician Chuck Pierson.