



# Chambley SABRE



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## Service Club Grand Opening Tonight

### Armed Forces Day Messages



President Eisenhower

"Each year on the third Saturday in May, the Armed Forces of the United States, including the Reserve components and auxiliary Services, make a special effort to increase public understanding of our national defense program which is, and has been from the beginning of our Republic, dedicated to achieving and maintaining peace.

"In the present world situation, it is most important that our own people, and others throughout the (Cont. on page 4)

"As is the custom each year on Armed Forces Day, our base is opened to the public for a better look at what we are trying to accomplish.

"I hope that here on Chambley Air Base we may further enlighten the French public as to our job, its limitations and its rewards.

"Power for Peace remains the theme for this year's Armed Forces Day. Throughout the past 18 months, military and civilian personnel alike, have displayed an eager determination toward the accomplishment of our mission at Chambley.

"Such determination makes it inevitable that we will continue to build our strength and hold our peaceful course."



Robert R. Rowland, Colonel, USAF Base Commander.

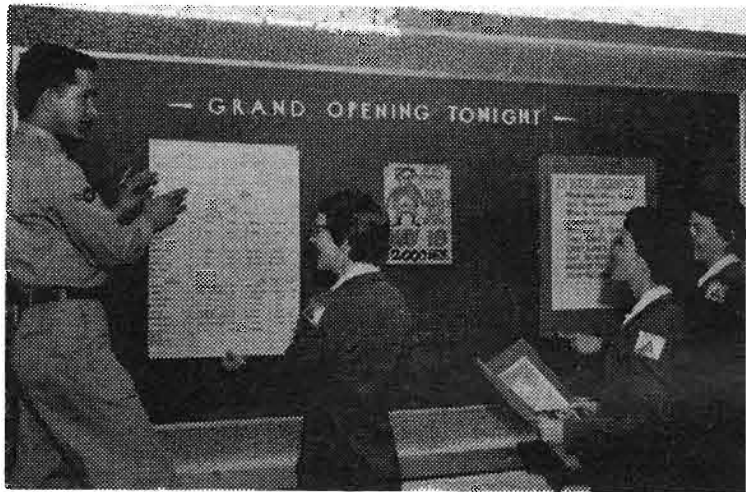
### A/2C Charles R. Van Cleve Selected Outstanding 'Airman of the Quarter'

A/2C Charles R. Van Cleve, 1270th AACCS Sq, received the "Airman of the Quarter" award at base level recently for the first quarter of 1956.

Airman Van Cleve, who hails from Albia, Iowa, is a graduate of Parsons College at Fairfield, Iowa. While at Parsons he majored in English and graduated in 1954 with a Bachelor of Arts degree. He was also an officer in the Tau Kappa Epsilon Fraternity and was a member of the Alpha Psi Omega Dramatic Fraternity.

Prior to his entry into the Air Force, in 1954, Airman Van

### Red Letter Day for Chambley



The staff of the Chambley Service Club spent many long hours this week preparing the new club for the grand opening ceremonies scheduled for 8:00 o'clock tonight. Shown above (left to right), arranging posters on the new club's attractive bulletin board, are: A/3C Jess Luna, Service Club Artist; Miss Rhoda Nute, Program Director; Miss Pat Finnegan, Recreation Director; and Miss Claire Rangnow, Service Club Director. USAF Photo by Barnes

### Seventh Armed Forces Day To be Observed Tomorrow With Open House Program

Tomorrow has been designated as Armed Forces Day by the President of the United States. Chambley Air Base, like all other American installations throughout the world, will observe this year's Armed Forces Day with an Open-house

program.

The theme, as it has been for the past few years, will be "Power for Peace," which is adequately descriptive of our national policy.

Tomorrow will be the seventh annual observance of Armed Forces Day. It has, and will continue to be, a major effort to increase public understanding of our defense system, and of every individual's part in this Power for Peace.

Following is a schedule of events planned for the observance of Armed Forces Day at Chambley. 1300 to 1800

Open-house for all personnel stationed at Chambley Air Base and their families. Open-house for all French civilians in Moselle and Meurthe-and-Moselle. Static display of USAF aircraft and equipment for all open-house guests. 1300 to 1800

French Bands playing in the 72nd and 416th hangars. 1500

Basketball game between Auboué and the Chambley Desert Rats. 1615 to 1645

Airshow and fly-by of F-86-F aircraft.

### Stage Show, Dancing To Follow Dedication by Miss Rhoda Nute

Tonight at eight o'clock the ribbon will be cut across the entrance way to the new Service Club. We have all waited a long time for this occasion and we hope every airman, officer, wife and child, as well as all our civilian friends, will be on hand to help us celebrate.

Following the ribbon cutting ceremony, you will have a chance to take a good look around and "Oh" and "Ah" at all the facilities. At 8:30 pm the dedication speeches will be given, and this will be followed by a first rate stage show—"Headline Cartoonists".

This show will feature well known cartoonists from the States, whose work you have all seen in various papers, including the Stars and Stripes. A lovely Powers Model is accompanying the group and she will also entertain you.

The refreshment table will be well loaded with good things to eat and the punch is an old Southern recipe — you all. As a special feature of the evening, there will be the super dance combo from the 583rd Air Force Band on hand to provide music for your dancing pleasure until midnight.

Be sure not to miss this gala celebration! Come one, come all to the Grand Opening!

### 21st Elected to Receive Project Playsafe Award

Word was received recently from Headquarters USAFE, that the 21st Fighter Bomber Wing had been selected to receive the USAFE Project Playsafe Award for the year 1955.

The award is presented for exceptional achievement in the prevention of off duty non-vehicular accidents to military personnel. A plaque attesting to this award will be presented in the near future.

A congratulatory letter from Hq USAFE stated, "This outstanding accomplishment conserved manpower and furthered the morale and welfare of the military community. Congratulations are extended to personnel of the 21st Fighter Bomber Wing for this noteworthy performance in off-duty safety."



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"The U. S. Air Force has never before been faced with a greater responsibility to the Nation. While we are determined to meet the challenge of these uncertain times, let us as men of good will continue to hold steadfastly to our peaceful course as the Armed Forces build and strengthen our Power for Peace."  
— Donald A. Quarles, Secretary of the Air Force

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## On The Up Grade In April

Promotions to master sergeant and technical sergeant were realized by six personnel of the 21st Wing during the March-April promotion cycle. T/Sgt M. R. Cole, 72nd Fighter-Bomber Sq, was promoted to the rank of master sergeant. Being advanced from staff sergeant to technical sergeant ranks were: T. O. Baily, 531st Fighter-Bomber Sq; W. E. Dawson, Air Base Gp Hq; P. D. Dority, 21st Comm Sq; and R. D. Sheppard and H. O. Waite, both of the 21st Maint Sq. Other promotions went to:

- WING HEADQUARTERS SQUADRON:**  
 To S/Sgt: G. D. Trueblood. To A/IC: J. E. Griffin, D. F. Hossett III, H. Sikes.
- 72ND FIGHTER-BOMBER SQ:**  
 To S/Sgt: J. A. Carr Jr., V. B. Giere, E. F. London, W. P. Seright. To A/IC: T. R. Brennan, R. E. Hyatt, D. L. Lambert, L. B. Watson. To A/2C: L. C. Burchfield, P. Cortez, E. J. Lancon.
- 416TH FIGHTER-BOMBER SQ:**  
 To S/Sgt: J. A. Deponceau, C. E. Neal. To A/IC: B. G. Bates, C. E. Clark, J. Parchman, A. R. White. To A/2C: J. E. Boyett, S. E. Cummins, E. B. White.
- 531ST FIGHTER-BOMBER SQ:**  
 To S/Sgt: D. E. Cresser, E. D. Faris, F. E. Weckerle, R. C. Wright. To A/IC: K. G. Fenton, M. D. Harney, L. G. Samson. To A/2C: D. Cox, N. Jones, H. J. McHenry, F. M. Strange Jr.
- HEADQUARTERS M&S GROUP:**  
 To S/Sgt: R. P. Nash.
- MAINTENANCE SQUADRON:**  
 To S/Sgt: R. Bacoate, J. Carrillo, J. W. Turcotte, F. Gomez, S. J. Owens. To A/IC: A. N. Banchieri, T. E. Brophy, L. G. Salcido, D. A. Straub. To A/2C: J. Ambrose, W. J. Burnam, J. H. E. Caldera, F. E. Connor, E. V. Cornelison, G. M. Gremillion, M. F. Hardison, N. F. Jeffs, J. Roberts, W. L. Zeigler. To A/3C: J. W. Altum, D. J. Gillespie.
- SUPPLY SQUADRON:**  
 To S/Sgt: R. Allmond, A. R. Karass, C. F. Mackey, C. W. Nicholl, H. E. Rice. To A/IC: R. R. Maddox, D. T. Murphy, C. C. Sizemore. To A/2C: J. L. Baxley Jr., R. W. Phillips, W. A. Shaw. To A/3C: F. L. Hammond.
- MOTOR VEHICLE SQUADRON:**  
 To A/IC: J. R. Daniels, C. R. Owen, O. Pope, B. D. Swagger. To A/2C: J. A. Cavallieri, G. D. Holder.

- HEADQUARTERS AIR BASE GROUP:**  
 To S/Sgt: J. W. Burnett J. To A/IC: A. Alexeff, V. A. Stewart, B. R. Knewles. To A/2C: D. J. Stanfill, J. L. Atkins, C. A. Robinson, J. P. Marsh.
- AIR POLICE SQUADRON:**  
 To A/IC: T. Smith, R. Balderas, C. E. Raymond, D. A. Myers. To A/2C: J. R. Devore, A. M. Valdez, H. L. Slaughter, C. J. Nykanen, R. V. Lehti, C. G. Hinchcliff, J. J. Heinrich, J. D. Reinke, P. E. Brothers, B. L. Miller, R. O. Young, A. R. Green, B. L. Kemp, R. H. Duff Jr., R. Garcia, E. M. Dow, W. O. Schultz, R. A. Underwood, T. E. Watkins, A. C. Gorsuch, J. W. Roberts, A. E. Gilman, A. W. Sears, E. J. Ganzman, R. L. Houseright, T. Dubner, C. D. Cowens, J. T. Dunkeson, M. R. Stokes, D. C. Miller, C. H. Spell, I. L. Rosdahl, L. D. Rigel, G. E. Lee, J. W. Shaw, L. W. Collins.
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- 21ST TAC HOSPITAL:**  
 To S/Sgt: F. Mesta. To A/IC: R. J. Manuel, W. W. Martin. To A/2C: T. W. Hughes, J. Paiva.
- 7002ND USAF HOSPITAL:**  
 To A/2C: L. J. Ledesma, J. H. Simurdiak.
- 1270TH AACCS:**  
 To S/Sgt: G. S. Buckenmeyer, R. D. Chippeaux, J. S. Felton. To A/IC: T. H. Salter, C. D. Wade. To A/2C: E. A. Borda, J. E. Richeson.

## 'Television Stars' Complete Encampment

The first flight of 86s, led by Base Commander, Col Robert R. Rowland, touched down on home soil on May 9. The other planes of the 21st Wing followed on the 10th thus terminating the third gunnery encampment at Wheelus, Field, Tripoli since the Wing's arrival in Europe.

A little "spice" was added to the encampment this time, with the arrival of television personality Mr. Edward R. Murrow and the crew of his "See It Now" television show.

Murrow's crew spent a few days filming gunnery training sequences, while the famous commentator interviewed officers and airmen. The show was seen in a coast-to-coast telecast last night in the States.

Both Col Rowland and Lt Col Charles J. Bowers, Gunnery Camp Commander, expressed their satisfaction over the high quality of results attained while the 21st was at Wheelus.

Support groups to the encampment, which consisted of personnel from numerous squadrons on the base, arrived here on their return trip last weekend.

## Encampment Commander Welcomed Home



Lt Col Charles J. Bowers (left), Encampment Commander at Wheelus Field, Tripoli during the 21st Wing's recent gunnery training session in North Africa, was greeted home last week by M/Sgt Richard J. Kardash, (center) First Sergeant of the 72nd Ftr Bmr Sq, and Capt Paul E. Bell, Operations Officer. Upon his arrival at Chambley, Col Bowers expressed a deep satisfaction of the results attained during the Wing's six weeks of exercises in the Libyan Desert.

USAF Photo by Barnes

## Counseling Center Provides Vital Facts To Personnel Pending Separation In ZI

(Editors Note: This is the first of three installments of an actual conversation between S/Sgt Robert N. Mayo, Career Counseling NCO, and an airman who is assigned to Chambley Air Base).

"Good Morning, may I help you?"

"I don't know, I'm looking

for the Career Counseling Center, I'm supposed to see someone about something."

"I think you're looking for me, I'm S/Sgt Mayo, the Career Counseling NCO and you are A/IC John . . . . ., right?"

"Yes, but you can forget any ideas you might have about reenlisting me in this 'hole,' I'm going back to civilian life and get a job with an aircraft company."

"Good, that's actually the reason I requested you come in, I have some information that might help you when you get out. You know, your reserve obligation, Korean Bill benefits, we even have a few facts on probable earnings at the place you plan on living."

"Well, I would like to know what I have to do with this 'Reserve thing' and if I can take some night courses to help me improve my skill as a mechanic."

"Let's take your reserve obligation first. When you are returned to the ZI for release from active service, you will be assigned to the Ready Reserve, which means you will be subject to call to active duty during any emergency proclaimed by the President. You will be in a pool of technicians that will be assigned to units, without requiring any training or participation on your part."

"Will I get paid or have training of any sort?"

"You can apply for assignment to an active reserve unit and be placed in a pay status, but then you will be required to participate in reserve meetings and meet minimum requirements."

"How much would I get paid?"

"You would receive a day's pay for every four hour training period you attend."

"How many training periods do I have to attend?"

"There are several ways training is conducted; nights, weekends or tours of active duty. You can participate in any type training that is convenient to you. Generally you need to attend 35 days of training each year."

"Sounds pretty good and I can probably use the extra money."

(Continued in the Next Sabre)

## Education Center Congratulates 20 Chambley GED Test Graduates

by Mr. C. de Kanter

The Education Center is going to publish, through this media, the names of those men who have completed their G.E.D. tests at both high school and college level.

This is in the form of a congratulatory message from us. As far as the Air Force is concerned, the men completing their high school battery of tests are equal, for the sake of promotion, with those completing high school through actual academic study.

We are proud, all of us in the Education Center, that we have been allowed to help these men to attain a better chance for a better future with the Air Force.

### High School Completion

David M. Martin, Wing Hq Sq; Charles R. Swanson and Daniel E. Gilbert, Hq Sq 21st AB Gp; and James L. Troy, Donald C. Protopapas and Henry L. Ayers, all of the 21st Maint Sq.

Others are: Elmer G. Stacey, John A. Snyder, Edward P. Bullock and Paulo Morabito, all of the 21st AP Sq; Malcolm M. White, 416th Ftr Bmr Sq; Louis J. Ledesma, 7002nd USAF Hosp; and Robert O. Lozano, 531st Ftr Bmr Sq.

Airmen Martin, Bullock, Pro-

topapas and Ayers each achieved an average of 55 on the battery of high school level GED tests.

### College Tests (Credits)

Victor Grunfeld, Wing Hq Sq; Leo J. Lee, Hq Sq 21st AB Gp; Terry Bass and Floyd L. Weieneth, 21st Maint Sq; Roy D. Stegall, 7002nd USAF Hosp; and James L. Fields and Saul Levine, 21st AP Sq.

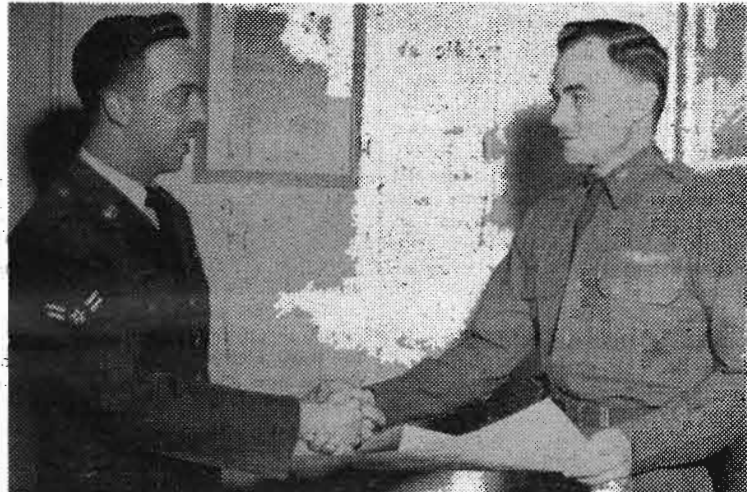
## 531st to Sponsor Officers 'Bowery Ball'

Be sure to see the 531st "Bowery Ball" to be presented at the Officers Club on 26 May. Showtime will commence at 8:30 pm. Come and see, dance routines, chorus girls, and many other attractions that will make a pleasant evening.

Married folks, reserve a baby sitter early and don't forget the Base Nursery, where they will gladly watch your children.

Come dressed as you would have come to a "Bowery Ball" back in the roaring 20's. We even encourage coming dressed as a bum. Suit yourself.

## Airman of the Quarter



Winner of the Outstanding Airman of the Quarter award at Wing level, for the period 1 January thru 31 March, was A/2C Charles R. Van Cleve (left) of the 1270th AACCS Sq. Col Robert N. Baker, Wing Executive Officer, (right) presented Airman Van Cleve with the award which included \$25.00 and a three day pass.

USAF Photo by Barnes

## Officers Wives Enjoy 'Home-Cooking

by Ida Mizelle Joseph

On May 3, the officers wives were served a delicious home-cooked luncheon, prepared by the M&S Group wives. The menu consisted of a "piping-hot" shrimp creole over rice with a tasty Jello salad, fresh bread, coffee and chocolate cake. Many thanks to the talented cooks of the M&S Group wives.

Five newcomers were welcomed at the luncheon. They were Mesdames: Katy Miller, Joyce Higgenbottom, Frederica DeLoach, Marilyn Grafe and Johan Langenbach.

Mary Carlson won both the first raffle prize, a lovely tablecloth, and third, a brass plate. Mrs. Melvin Platte won second prize, two large brass plates. The door prizes, potted plants, were won by Nancy Auger, Ruth Hemm and Katy Miller.

During the business meeting, a sum of five dollars per month was voted for the Gray Ladies, to be used to purchase incident-

als, as needed, for which there is no fund available.

New hourly rates for the nursery were announced as follows: 25c for one child, 35c for two, 45c for three and 50c for four or more. Mrs C. J. Bowers, wives club representative to the nursery council, asked that suggestions, recommendations and complaints be submitted to her. She will gladly bring them to the council's attention.

Of the 52 wives attending the May luncheon, 24 were without reservations. It would be more than appreciated if all planning to attend the luncheons would sign the reservation list. Someone will have to go without lunch if this continues.

On May 18, there will be a silver display from the Sheffield vaults in England at the tea scheduled for 2:00 pm. The Daum Crystal Factory will display their wares at the June 4 wives club luncheon. Be sure to make your reservations early.





**EXTRA! EXTRA! EXTRA!**  
**Read All About What is New in Your New Service Club**

**New Club Hours**  
 Mondays thru Saturdays: 2:00 noon to 10:00 pm; Sundays: 9:00 am to 10:00 pm. Class "A" or "B" uniform or appropriate civilian attire will be required by new dress regulations. (Duty clothes may be worn during lunch hours on duty days).

- New Facilities**
- 1) Auditorium with a dance floor and a fully equipped stage.
  - 2) Reading and writing lounge with a typewriter available.
  - 3) Game room fully equipped.
  - 4) Soundproof music room.
  - 5) Special card playing room.
  - 6) An information desk.
  - 7) A cool water cooler.

**New Services**  
 Tour information, wrapping service, interpreting service, cablegram and flower wire service. New equipment will include: pool tables, ping-pong tables, shuffleboard, musical instruments, typewriter, tape recorders, projectors (35 mm., 16 mm., and 8 mm.), new records, record player and new game equipment.

The following interest groups will be formed if enough people express interest in them. On opening night you will have an opportunity to find out about these groups and sign-up for them. The first meeting scheduled for each group is subject to change.

**MUSIC GROUP:** For all those interested in singing, a chorus will be formed; Instrumentalists will be formed into combo groups; and an appreciation class will also be formed for listening groups.

**FENCING CLASS:** This group has already been established and meetings are held in the Service Club. A new group, however, will be starting soon. Lessons are given by a French master from Metz. There is a small fee for instruction; equipment is provided. Classes will be announced later.

**LITTLE THEATER GROUP:** For all those interested in: play productions, acting, staging or costuming. First meeting: Tuesday, May 22 at 8:00 pm.

**"35" CLUB:** This group will be organized for those interested in 35 mm. slides. It will include: Comparisons, exhibits, contests and showings. First meeting: Friday, May 25 at 8:00 pm.

**FRANCO-AMERICAN GROUP:** For all those interested in making French friends, learning their culture and cementing better relations.

**Coming Events**  
**May 19**  
 Armed Forces Day Open House—for all base personnel and our French Friends.

**May 20**  
 Tour to Strasbourg departs at 9:00 am. Small fee.

**May 23**  
 "Rock and Roll" Stage Show, 8:30 pm. The zaniest musical yet.

**May 24**  
 Enlisted Mens Council Orga-

nizational Meeting, at 3:00 pm. This group will meet for the first time to bring your suggestions to us for bigger and better programs.

**May 24**  
 Bingo Jackpot Prize, at 8:30 pm. Biggest Bingo ever, with door prize to the lucky one.

**May 30**  
 Memorial Day Dance, at 8:00 pm. This is the date to keep in mind—the first big dance in the new club. Bring your best gal, or if you don't have one, we'll see about providing a few dancing partners.

by Miss Rhoda Nute  
 Program Director.

**Congratulations**



Lt Col Martin F. Peter (left), Wing Director of Personnel, presented diplomas to a large number of French civilian personnel recently, marking their completion of training courses in English, typing and military correspondence. The presentations were made at the Base Theater. USAF Photo by Barnes

**New Captains**



Maj Garland A. Perry (Center), Hospital Executive Officer, recently presented new captain bars to two hospital officers. Capt Harry C. Fegley (left), whose rank became effective on April 6, received his new insignia in Major Perry's office. At the same time, Capt Phyllis J. Weaver (right), was also presented with new captain bars by Maj Perry. Capt Weaver's date of rank was April 11. USAF Photo by Barnes

**Base Flight's Mercedes Does It Again**  
 by A/IC Joe Berolatti

Last Monday morning the famous "Mutt" (from Hq Sq Air Base Group presented Base Flight with another batch of pups (total of seven) — ranging from brown to black.

It was a squirming, squeeling mess that confronted the 25 mid-wives that were on hand assisting with the deliveries. Old Merce was transferred from one "ward" to another before suitable quarters were found. At the latest reports, however, both mother and pups are doing fine.

**Base Airmen's Council Holds Monthly Meeting**

On May 8 the monthly meeting of the Wing Airmen's Council was held. Representatives from each squadron were present except for Comm Sq and the 72nd Ftr Bmr Sq.

During the two hour session, the squadron representatives discussed pertinent issues that required investigation because of inadequacy in one form or another.

One issue on the agenda that derived more complaints than others was the new snack bar. The primary thing in question is the language barrier, which is definitely too severe. As a result cooks and waitresses are getting orders confused and jumbled around. Lack of supervision is apparent. Also a suggestion was made that two separate lines be formed, one each for the grill and fountain.

Next subject of discussion was the recent initiation of KPs among service personnel of the lower four grades. A poll is now being taken as to whether men of the lower four grades wish to pay for French KPs out of their own pockets.

Other points of discussion were: the mandatory wearing of jackets in the base theater during the summer months; slow service in the barber shop, and failure of the management to utilize numbered cards to avoid confusion; and the possibility that screen doors could be acquired for barracks during summer months.

The Wing Airmen's Council is the voice of the enlisted personnel of the base, which strives towards making facilities more adequate and comfortable for you. Let's have a 100% attendance at the next meeting.

**Chaplains Corner**

**Armed Forces Day Prayer**

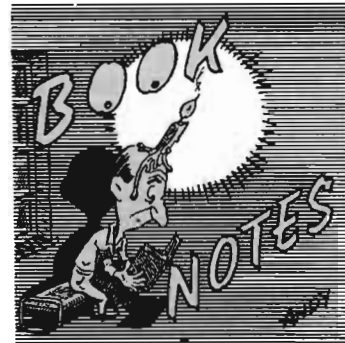
The following prayer was written by the Armed Forces Chaplains Board in recognition of Armed Forces Day, tomorrow.

"Almighty God, on this Armed Forces Day, we give Thee thanks for all those who, by their sacrifices and devotion to duty, have made our heritage of freedom secure. Grant that we may prove worthy of our birthright and that in the days to come our land may be a power for peace in accordance with Thy will. Thou dost hold us to account for the use of all our powers and our privileges, thus keep us ever mindful of the responsibilities our citizenship requires.

"Protect and assist all those who at home and abroad, on land and sea, and in the air are serving our country. Shield them from danger; keep them strong and steadfast; give them courage and faith. Uphold their hands that they, with all those who stand ready in reserve, may faithfully perform their duties and at all times remain true to the precepts of their Code of Conduct.

"Finally, we pray that we may become and remain Thy good servants, more completely surrendered in our devotion to Thee and to our country, and that Thy peace may return to this world to Thy honor and glory. Amen."

JOSEPH E. DAVY  
 Chaplain (Captain) USAF  
 Base Chaplain



by Miss Ruth Austin

Spring is here — and spring means travel time. Whether you're going to the big-name places along with other tourists, or picking some quiet corner to "get away from it all," we have some beautiful travel books for you to take along to guide you.

What could be more beautiful than Tulip Time in Holland? Nagel's Holland will take you there with notes on the history of the country, art, the language, geography and plenty of maps and general information.

Two of the Sydney Clark series — All The Best in England and All The Best in Switzerland are used in our display of travel books. These are not typically "guide books" but they are informative as well. (Cont. on page 4)

**NCO Wives Display Crazy Hat Fashions**  
 by Laura Davenport

Crazy Hat night was the social meeting of the NCO Wives Club for the month of May. A gift was awarded for the craziest hat, judged by three NCO members. A door prize was also given.

Decorations were a center Maypole with streamers leading down to each table, forming a circle.

Hostesses for the evening were Bonnie Niehoff, Verna Neylon and Pearl Miller. Every one enjoyed a marvelous time, and all are looking forward to another "hat show."

At the last business meeting, two guests were present—Mrs. Judy Schell, who gave a brief talk concerning the Gray Ladies, and Mrs. Genevieve Hartman, who spoke on the blind home.

Hostesses for this meeting were Lottie Meade, Donna Mair and Sandra McHendree.

The bake sale held Wednesday morning proved highly successful.

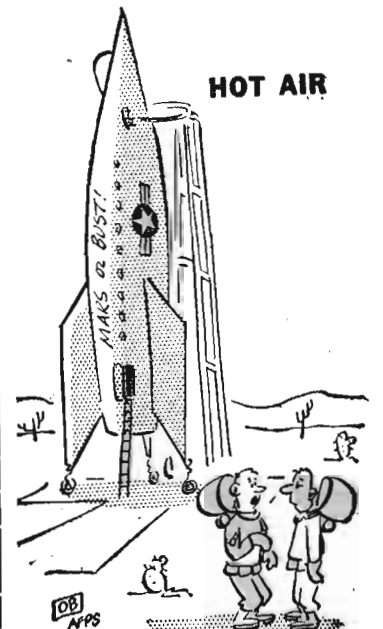
**June Carnival Plans Announced by AYA**

The American Youth Association Carnival will take place at Chambley on June 8-9. From the appearances of the program being studied by the carnival committee, things look quite interesting.

Special areas will be allotted to each squadron at the Youth Center area in the trailer park, where concession stands of all types and varieties will be run.

A few of the squadrons have already decided on what type of stand they are going to operate. The Base Hospital personnel are going to feature a hillbilly band at their concession, plus a fully stocked beer garden. Headquarters Air Base Group is going to have a photo stand, while Headquarters M&S Group is featuring a "Wheel of Fortune". Motor Vehicle plans to place some courageous person over a tank of water sitting on a chair, while you throw a ball at the target which automatically releases the chair into the drink.

The carnival, which begins at 3:00 pm on 8 June, will be culminated by a big dance in the new service club. The dance will begin at 9:00 pm on 9 June and it will cost only \$1.00 for admission. French Nationals and Canadians may be brought to the dance as guests of American personnel. Orchestras for the night will be furnished by the Officers and NCO Clubs.



You mean we're not going to get overseas pay?"

# Diamond Rats Topple Laon Twice In France Conference Openers

Chambley's Diamond Desert Rats played their opening games of the 1956 France Conference season last weekend, and chalked-up two decisive wins over the Laon Rangers in games played on Laon's home grounds.

Player-coach Russ Hamlett's men walked over the Ranger nine, 18-13, in last Saturday's season opener. A total of 36 hits were registered by the two teams during the wild slugfest. In a Sunday contest, the Desert Rats scored an 8-6 victory, while out-hitting their opponents 15-9.

Laon scored 2 runs in the first frame on Saturday when Ranger shortstop Reed was safe on an error and right fielder Hagge,

the next man up, blasted a towering home run.

Chambley scored 4 runs in the top of the second, on a gathering of errors coupled with Tom Wilks' long single. The Rangers tied the score, 4 - 4, with 2 runs on 4 hits in their half of the second.

The Desert Rats went three-up and three-down in the fourth, while Laon grabbed the lead once more, 7-6, with a pair of runs on 2 hits and 2 errors. Chambley wrote "fini" to the see-saw affair in the top of the fifth, however, when 6 big runs crossed the plate, including homers by Donato Dapolito and Wilks.

In the sixth, Chambley pushed across 3 more runs on doubles by Cantrell Brown, Hamlett and Bud Whitehead. Lynn Heintz went 3 for 4 for Chambley and Al Foreman belted a 2 run homer in the top of the ninth. Ranger left fielder Smith knocked a four bagger in the fifth. The winning pitcher was Bob Chance and the loser was Eason.

In the second game, Chambley jumped off to an 8 - 0 lead. The Desert Rats scored 2 runs in the first, 1 in the second, 2 more in the third and 3 in the fourth — highlighted by Brown's triple.

Laon got back 3 runs on 2 hits, by Knox and Hagge, in the bottom half of the fourth. They scored single runs in the fifth, sixth and seventh frames, but the Rangers just couldn't overcome the pitching of starter Carrillo or reliever Chance.

Carrillo, who pitched 5 2/3 innings and was credited with the win, struck out six of the first nine men to face him. He held the Rangers hitless for the first 3 innings. Christenson suffered the loss for Laon.

Chambley has a bye in the conference schedule this weekend. Their next league games will be played on May 26 and 27 against the Etain Pioneers at the Desert Rats new ball park.

Hamlett plans to take the team to Landstuhl, Germany early next week for a pair of exhibition contests against the Landstuhl Air Base Raiders.

## Rod and Gun Club Obtains Two Lakes

by S/Sgt William F. Wimberly

As you have probably heard from the other members, the Rod and Gun Club has obtained two lakes and a third which will be completed by the club for members use for fishing and picnicking. Maps and rules may be picked up at the club. The use of the lake is restricted to members in goodstanding and their dependents only. Rules posted at the lake and also on the map must be obeyed in order for us to keep this lease.

The skeet range, which was originally scheduled for opening around the middle of April, is still incomplete due to the late arrival of traps. Traps are presently on hand, but the ground must still be leveled and walkways and stations built.

All members who are willing to give a little of their time and labor towards the completion of this much needed club facility are urged to contact M/Sgt T. D. Blake at the Rod and Gun Club. With enough help, this project should be completed before the end of May.

The club mangership has been taken over by M/Sgt Blake, a most able hunter and fisherman. He is replacing this writer who is rotating to the States. M/Sgt Blake was most instrumental in obtaining the lakes mentioned above.

There will be a business meeting of the club on the club's rifle range this Sunday. This will be a nomination meeting for election of club officers, which will take place the first Monday in June.

## Recent Happenings Around and About Chambley Squadrons

### 21st Supply Squadron by S/Sgt Donald R. Denny

First Lt Donald J. Kincheloe, Base Supply Property Accounting Officer, will depart for the US shortly. Lt Kincheloe, better known to Chambley basketball and football fans as "Jerry", is being released from active duty. Jerry will always be remembered as an outstanding athlete and as an exceptionally fine officer.

The Welcome Mat is extended to Captain and Mrs. William O. Graffunder and to A/3C William F. Mc Donald. Captain

Graffunder comes to Chambley from Hq TTAf, Gulfport, Miss. Airman McDonald arrives from Francis E. Warren AFB, Wyoming.

Best Wishes to the following squadron personnel who are rotating to the "Big PX" for reassignment or separation: M/Sgt Bill Jones, T/Sgt Les Becnel, T/Sgt Everett Reynolds, S/Sgt Alkey Bozeman, S/Sgt Art Eberhart, S/Sgt Bill Sanders, S/Sgt Merle Sands and A/2C Bob Kahl.

### 7002nd USAF Hospital

With the arrival of 1st Lt

Walter L. Trotter Jr., from Laon and 1st Lt Allan S. Silver from Moulins, the Dental Clinic now boasts three dentists.

On May 1, the base Medical facility was honored with a visit by the Air Surgeon General, Major General Dan C. Ogle. He was accompanied by Major General Harry G. Armstrong, USAF Surgeon General and Colonel Benjamin A. Strickland, 12th AF Surgeon.

They were pleased with the progress being made in our local facility. They also commented about the favorable "esprit de corps" indicated after personal contact with hospital personnel.

## President Eisenhower's Armed Forces Day Message

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world who believe as we do, should be cognizant of all aspects of our national strength—the spiritual and the moral, as well as the material and the military—and be reminded of our continuing efforts for peace.

"The purpose of Armed Forces Day is to increase public understanding of, and to emphasize, our peaceful aspirations. I hope that all Americans, as well as many of our friends in other lands, will accept the invitation to visit our Armed Forces at this time."

DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER  
President of the United States  
Commander in Chief.

### School Children Visit Library



Mr. Bill Marsh (Center), 3rd and 4th grade instructor at the base dependents school, recently took his classes on a visit to the base library. Mr. Marsh and Miss Ruth Austin, Base Librarian, were kept constantly busy answering the numerous questions of the youngsters concerning the card catalogue and book arrangements. According to present plans, the children will make weekly visits to the library each Wednesday.

USAF Photo by Gotlieb

### French Cage Squad



At 3:00 pm tomorrow, the Auboué Cage Stars (shown above), one of France's most highly rated basketball teams, will make an appearance in the 416th hangar against Coach H. C. Hartwig's Chambley Desert Rats. The game has been scheduled as an added attraction for Armed Forces Day guests.

Official Auboué Photo

## Chambley Basketball Champs Back in Action

The cage equipment has been prematurely taken out of moth balls and again action is hot and heavy on the basketball court in the 416th hangar. Coach H.C. Hartwig's 1955-56 France Conference Champions are preparing for a series of games which will commence tomorrow afternoon on the Desert Rat's home court.

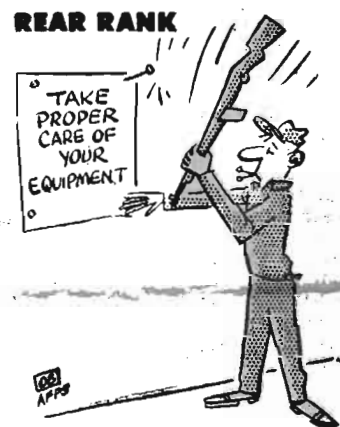
Two days later, on 21 May, the professional Syracuse, New York Nationals will make an appearance at Chambley for a game against the Desert Rats at 8:00 pm. Tickets are now on sale here on the Base for a nominal fee of \$1.00.

The contest tomorrow will be against a highly rated French team from Auboué. The game will begin at 3:00 pm. This team by the way is supposedly the best in France.

Finally on the weekend of 26 and 27 May, Col Hartwig will take the team to Alfortville, near Paris, where Chambley will participate in an International Basketball Tournament. The

Desert Rats will be the only American quintet represented at the tournament.

Other representatives will include teams from France, Switzerland, Spain and Belgium. The Desert Rats will play their first game of the tourney at 3:00 pm on the 26th. Champions and consolation finals will be held on the 27th.



## Judo Classes Planned for Chambley AB

by A/1C Dennis A. Myers

How many of you were able to see the Judo exhibition in the 416th hangar a few weeks past? If you were able to see it, did the question arise within you, "These guys are sure good, I wish I could learn some of what they know?"

Well there is no further need for you to sit and wish for it, now is the chance for you to act. Mr. Henri Dalbin, expert in the art of Judo and Ju Jitsu and holder of the 3rd degree in the Black Belt status (of which there are 12 degrees) is offering his services to American military personnel.

Mr. Dalbin, has a school for Judo in Metz, open every evening from 6:30 to 8:30, Saturdays from 5:00 to 7:00 and Sundays from 10:30 am to 12:30 pm. Mr. Dalbin trains and instructs military personnel from Canadian Bases and we have one of our own boys from Chambley, S/Sgt Jose Carrillo of the Maint Sq, who is presently taking instructions from Mr. Dalbin. The instructor informed us that any American personnel desiring instructions in the art, are invited to pay a visit to his school in Metz.

If there are enough personnel desiring instructions, weekly, here on the base, it may be arranged to have an instructor

come to Chambley Saturdays from 2:00 pm to 6:00 pm and Wednesdays from 5:00 pm to 6:00 pm or from 9:00 pm to 10:00 pm.

If you are interested, contact S/Sgt Carrillo, after duty hours at Ext. 106.

## Book Notes

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as readable.

Here's England, by Ruth McKenney (Remember My Sister Eileen) and Richard Branstern is a lively, witty book which you will enjoy tremendously. Then there is Great Britain-England, Scotland and Wales, edited by Dore Ogrizek.

What's new in American Automobiles? The April issue of Consumer's Research Bulletin stresses 1956 automobiles. The articles ratings and performances of new cars, specifications and test results, buy to best advantage, and CR reports on Cadillac, Chrysler, Ford and Studebaker.

Final reminders: We now have shopping bags for you to carry your books. Deadline for the fifth annual Air Force Short Story Contest is May 20. Base level prizes are \$25.00 (1st Prize), \$10.00 (2nd Prize), and \$5.00 (3rd Prize).