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12th AF Commander Announces New Goals For Coming Year

Each year at this time we pause to reflect upon our past and our future goals. We establish these goals to determine what we want to accomplish in the coming year. And we analyze our history to determine how effectively we have met our past objectives.

In reviewing our 1956 goals and subgoals, we can be proud of our accomplishments. Major emphasis was placed on the establishment of a reliable logistics system; a logistics system that could be depended upon at all times to deliver the needed support to keep our aircraft flying. Through the initiative, cooperation and willingness of each individual member of the Twelfth, our goal was successfully accomplished.

This year stress will be placed on the development of a dispersal program. A 1957 major projected goal is to reduce vulnerability to air and ground attack through spreading and separating our facilities so that squadrons may be effectively deployed.

Although some persons in Twelfth Air Force may not be directly connected with our specific goals, they are nevertheless collectively responsible for the success of the overall program. Through the initiative, willingness and the "desire to serve" attitude on the part of each individual Twelfth Air Force team member, the projected goals will be successfully met.

I am proud of our Twelfth Air Force team and the vital role it plays in the fifteen nation NATO alliance. Our previous accomplishments and the history of the Twelfth Air Force as a combat ready organization give me confidence and assurance that we will continue to maintain our high standards of proficiency and that we will attain our projected goals.

May the New Year bring each of you health, happiness, satisfaction and an acute realization of the essential role you play in defending freedom and preserving world peace.

JOHN K. GERHART
Maj Gen, USAF
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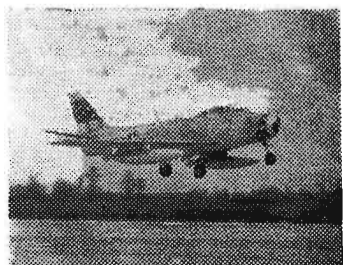
531st Deploys to Wheelus Field Fourth Encampment for 21st Wing

Early this week the 531st Fighter-Bomber Sq, was deployed to Wheelus Field, Tripoli, to conduct air to air and air to ground gunnery training. The 72nd and 416th will follow at six week intervals. This marks the fourth such encampment for 21st tactical units since the Wing's arrival in Europe.

In order that necessary billeting and messing arrangements could be made for the main body of the detachment, the advance party left Chambley on January 4.

During the flight to Wheelus, the itinerary for the jets called for a stopover at Pisa, Italy. From Pisa, the birds make the remainder of their jaunt across the Mediterranean

Sea. These exercises are mandatory once every six months



for the tactical squadrons of the 21st Wing. It is part of a 12th Air Force training program designed to keep each wing in a high state of combat
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Death Takes No Holiday



Twisted steel and broken glass bare mute evidence as to what can happen when a car traveling 60 miles per hour (or 88' per second) meets a tree head-on. An appropriate likeness would be to drive your auto off the roof of a 12 story building — the impact is approximately the same.

Federal Services Overseas Campaign Conducts First of Quarterly Collections at Chambley

The new Federal Services Overseas Campaign, under which charity collections from service personnel are minimized to four collections per year, was inaugurated recently at Chambley.

During December the first of the quarterly drives was conducted here. According to this plan, voluntary contributions will be made every three months and will benefit many worthwhile organizations. In the past, separate collections, have been taken by individual organizations, at intermittent periods.

Money collected at Chambley during December will benefit the American Social Hygiene Assn., CARE, Crusade for Freedom, the International

Social Service, the National Recreation Assn., United Seamen Service and the USO.

Following are individual unit contributions received at Chambley:

Air Base Gq (\$57.80), AP Sq (\$101.50), Comm Sq (\$30.00), Instl Sq (\$117.00), Food Service Sq (\$25.50), Postal (\$4.00), 31st Weather (\$4.00) and 1270th AACCS (\$59.00).

Others were: M&S Gp (\$9.70), Maint (\$40.59), Supply (\$101.40), Transportation (\$3.00), Hq Ftr Gp (\$29.00), 72nd (\$51.90), 416th (\$112.95), 531st (\$96.00), Wing Hq (\$127.35), TAC Hosp (\$84.50) and 1283rd AACCS (\$30.50).

Total contributions at Chambley amounted to \$1,086.15.

ECI Awards Diplomas To Five CAB Airmen

Five Chambley airmen recently received diplomas from the USAF Extension Course Institute. The men: A/1Cs J. M. Edleman, R.L. Hoggard and A/3C C.R. Bird, of 1270th AACCS, and A/2C B.W. Hight, Hq Air Base Gp, all completed the Air Traffic Control Course. T Sgt R.L. Davis, 416th Fighter-Bomber Sq, completed the Aircraft Jet Engine Mechanic Course.

ECI was set up under the Air University in 1950. The subject matter of ECI courses is written by resident schools, both technical and general and is specially adapted to the career fields in the Air Force. ECI courses provide supplement education to resident courses, however, they are not accredited as actual attendance of the resident technical school.

Three Chambley Airmen Died on Highways In 1956 In Privately Owned Cars

"They hit a tree, and this makes three." An odd rhyme; what does it mean? What does it mean to us the living? This is not a funny little rhyme. It's a tragic one.

The rhyme means death, quick and sudden, smashing death for three Chambley airmen last year. To us, the living, it is symbolic of the need for a greater awareness, a greater safety awareness. For if we fail to recognize this need, our lives too will be smashed from existence in the same horrible (and needless) way.

What does it take to make us realize that death on the highway is man-made mayhem? What does it take to make us realize that common sense, "defensive driving" will stop this mayhem?

It has been reported that one of the airmen who recently departed via the tragic automobile accident way, had conducted a safe driving discussion with men of his unit shortly before his departure. It is known that a safety pamphlet, distributed at Chambley urging safe driving over the holidays, was found in the wreck with the two men who died there.

Do you believe accidents will pass you by regardless of the way you drive? Do you believe that you are just as capable mentally and physically to drive defensively after you have had a few drinks? Do you think you need only drive with care part of the time?

To us, the living, these are questions we must answer correctly both in words and in actions. Will any of you among us fail to drive carefully this year? Will you cause us to ponder the next rhyme?

"He hit a tree, and this makes four, and he's not with us anymore."

March of Dimes Sets Goals For '57 Drive

"Let's finish the fight against polio!"

That's the slogan for the Armed Forces 1957 March of Dimes campaign during January at more than 4,000 installations on land and at sea, at American bases throughout the world.

Officers and men and civilian workers in the Air Force, Army, Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard are out to surpass the sum of \$2,065,000 given in 1956. March of Dimes contributions in the Armed Forces have totaled \$25,759,000 since 1943.

Financial needs of the 1957 campaign are \$46,900,000 to help finish the fight against polio. The money will be used by the National Foundation for these purposes:

- ... to care for new patients who will be stricken this year;
- ... to rehabilitate as many as possible of the 80,000 patients from earlier years needing help;
- ... to promote salk vaccine inoculation of the unprotected;
- ... to continue research in treatment techniques, in virus problems, and in drug therapy;
- ... to continue the training of urgently needed professionals - doctors, therapists, scientists and others.

Insurance Certificate Needed For Germany

All CF registered vehicles will now be required to have the green card international certificate for entering West Germany. The green certificate is an internationally recognized document showing that a car is sufficiently covered by third party liability insurance.

Personnel who do not have the green card will be required to pay a fee which ranges from fifty to seventy-five cents each time they enter Germany to pay for the necessary insurance coverage.

Airmen May Apply For USAF Academy Until January 31

Airmen and other qualified young men who hope to compete for the third class at the Air Force Academy still have time to apply or request nominations.

The deadline to receive applications from individuals in the military service and nominations from Members of Congress and other authorities is January 31, 1957. Since nominating quotas are limited and time is required to process nominations, the Air Force hopes to receive all applications as soon as possible.

Candidates are encouraged to enter all categories of selection for which they can qualify. Since selections for each class are made on an order of merit basis from each category, this improves the candidates' chances for admission
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Fair 'n Foul

Number '11' Headed for New Heights

Says Tee J. Eff

Sitting in the grandstand the other night, I listened to a big, fat argument. One man wanted Jim Fields to play every minute of every game and pile up a new scoring record. His neighbor was for maintaining a winning team, win decisively and let everyone play.

Individual records are only honest, he said, when playing against adequate competition not in runaway games. Regardless of individual score, I believe we all agree that "# 11" is headed for honors again this year.

Once more it has been proved that nothing, absolutely nothing, is sacred. Someone has stolen the mink tip from the chain in the Officers Wives Club powder room. (Now, where else in the world will you find mink tipped pull chains?)

It could only happen in Chambley - two frenchmen on motorbikes collided on the base approach road - the widest, straightest road this side of the autobahn.

Hanging around the NCO Club one evening, (late evening that is) I was caught in a long-winded discussion. It boiled down to this: What is a member of the board of governors? Besides being elected and sitting in on meetings, consensus of opinion (not necessarily mine) gives him these duties: represent his men; take their ideas to the board meeting; work for the general good of the club.

He is an advisor, pusher, organizer, dreamer, jack-of-all-trades for betterment of programs, service, etc., etc. He conducts himself like any other club member the rest of the time. Eleven men of this calibre would form a

formidable crew - does your unit have one that fills the bill?

You may get away with knocking a chip off the shoulder of a man, but don't knock any mud off the shoulder of a road, it'll cost you a traffic ticket.

Recent figures submitted by all units show an exodus of 750 men, women and children, due to leave this coming November. Already action is underway to whittle this figure down by extensions, reenlistments, curtailments and consecutive overseas tours.

Any day now the new cafeteria is due to open in the service club. Rumor has it that at that time the old snack bar will become a sandwich bar and delicatessen on 24 hour operation. No more foodless hours - another step forward.

An appeal to Special Services - please, please get some advertising space where the base activities can be properly displayed. A winning ball club, good shows and other activities, and only a handful know about it. The daily bulletin notices aren't sufficient.

Climbing a greased pole at the country fair was good practice but it wasn't sufficient for the hardy soul who thought that he could climb the 70 foot pole in front of Wing Headquarters - a slow ascent; a quick let down; off to the hospital; Next victim!

Questions - What's in the wind for base transportation with winter setting in? Can anyone offer space to set up a physical culture room? (How about the unused hospital wing?)

Quote - My name is bear, don't mess with me!

Hospital Holiday Hosts



Base hospital personnel gave the children of the Magot de Rogeville Orphanage, located at Pont-a-Mousson, a Christmas party in the hospital a few days before Christmas. On the committee for the gala event were: (left to right) M Sgt Jack G. Quick, S Sgt Douglas Gregory, S Sgt Floyd Driggers and A/2C James Gavin. Two nuns from the orphanage who accompanied the children to the base seemed to enjoy the festivities nearly as much as the kids.

Education Hints

How Do You Measure Success?

by Cornelio de Kanter

Success is one of those intangible items that tag individuals we know. It may be some way in which we express our admiration for their accomplishments. It may be that through some use of the "breaks" this individual has attained a certain stature or position that may be tagged as successful in the community we live in.

Whatever we may call success, one thing is certain, success does not come through luck. It requires a hard and constant struggle on the part of the individual to attain this summit.

A successful individual, in our present society is one who can afford the luxuries of life. Considering only the material luxuries, it is also the

individual who attains the pinnacle of attainment within the position he has molded for himself. A bishop, a proficient doctor, engineer, lawyer, or military staff grade officer may all consider themselves to have attained success.

They have mastered the responsibilities of their trade and have gone along the ladder, meeting their problems and difficulties as they came face-to-face with them, and in doing so they were able to overcome their problems and step that next rung higher.

Success, then, is nothing but a continuation of small steps in the right direction... upward.

Success is measured by your ability to overcome the handi-

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'Sabre' Changes Editors

Beginning with this issue of the *Sabre*, A/1C Dan Hassett assumes duties as editor, taking over from A/1C Ken Mc Comb, who is scheduled to rotate to the ZI late this month. Mc Comb has served as editor since December 1955, while Hassett has performed duties as associate editor for the same length of time.

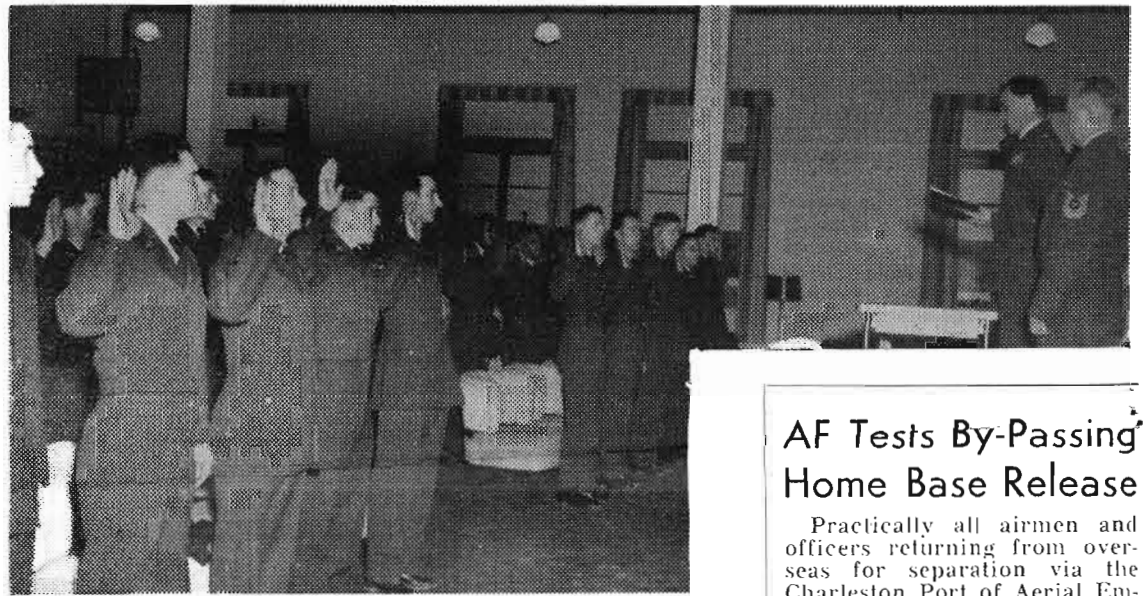
AF's Operations School Moves to Keesler in '57

LANGLEY AFB, Va. (AFPS) - The Air Force plans to move its Air-Ground Operations School from Southern Pines, N. C., to Keesler AFB, Miss., early this year.

Tactical Air Command spokesmen here said the move is based on the more efficient and economical facilities at Keesler.

The school is assigned to TAC and has been located at Southern Pines since 1951.

Reenlisting en Masse



Chambley's reenlistment rate soared recently when 20 base airmen reenlisted via the "short term" route. Wing Commander, Col Robert N. Baker, officiated at the swearing-in ceremonies held in the service club. Base Recruiting NCO, M/Sgt Charles R. Dimmick, (right) looks on in approval as the product he has for sale is bought in such a large quantity.

Chaplain's Corner

Looking Ahead to the New Year

As we enter a New Year may I extend to all my best wishes for a Happy and Successful New Year. May this year bring to each one of you a plentiful measure of both material and spiritual blessings.

As the merchant or business man begins a New Year he takes an inventory of his business to see what profits or losses he has had during the past year.

We might take a lesson from the business world and as we begin a New Year make a spiritual inventory and check up on our service to God during the past year. Most of us will find that we had some profits and some losses and that we could have done better.

About the losses there is not much we can do except to try for improvement during the New Year. That is where our New Year resolution comes in. Many people make the mistake of making too many resolutions. All goes well for a few days or a few weeks. Then they slip; one resolution is broken, then another and before long they give up without any further effort.

There is a saying, "Rome was not built in a day." We should not raise our sights too high and try to do too much at one time. Take one thing at a time. It is more practical to make one New Year resolution, a good one and to keep that one, than to make four or five and keep none of them. If we made one needed correction or improvement each year, in a few years we would be very close to perfection.

As we take inventory of the year just completed, let each one find his greatest fault, and make one resolution towards its correction during the coming New Year. St. Paul in his epistle to Titus gives the following advise, which if carried out and practiced would insure for all us a Happy and Prosperous New Year. "The grace of God has appeared to all men, instructing us that, rejecting ungodliness and worldly lusts, we may live temperately and justly and godly in this world."

JOSEPH E. DAVY
Chaplain (Captain) USAF
Base Chaplain

AF Tests By-Passing Home Base Release

Practically all airmen and officers returning from overseas for separation via the Charleston Port of Aerial Embarkation, South Carolina, will be routed to AF bases near either their homes or points of enlistment for separation, beginning February 1.

This procedure will be tested for three months at Charleston. It will allow such returnees to clear the PAE and be on their way in a matter of hours. The port will continue to process certain returnees for immediate separation.

Under the proposed system to be tested at Charleston an individual scheduled for separation upon his return to the Z. I. would indicate while still overseas whether he wants to be separated at an AF base near his home or at one near his place of entry into the AF. The base of separation will then be written into his travel orders.

Many returnees, particularly airmen who have not completed full overseas tours, will gain a certain amount of "base of choice" selection they might otherwise not have. It would give many a chance to separate and reenlist at a base near home or at a base or area already familiar to them.

By reducing the processing time at PAEs for both the overseas bound and returnees the AF hopes to eliminate the old travel bugaboo of individuals and families held at ports for days waiting for transportation or for tiresome processing before they could leave for new stations or home.

In addition, streamlining the processing will permit the AF to reduce the personnel requirement for a port unit, freeing personnel for other AF assignments.



by Claire, Rhoda and Patt

Winter in Europe can be fun! Within easy reach are the most fabulous winter sports areas in the world. Switzerland, internationally famous winter wonderland is but a few hours train trip. And for a weekend or even a day's frolic in the snow, the Vosges Mountains in France should not be overlooked. And of course, the military leave centers at Garmish and Berchtesgaden offer not only ideal ski condition complete with necessary equipment, but also such added attractions as modern hotel accommodations, fine food and night clubs.

The service club will be happy to supply you with information and literature for any of these places, and for the military centers, we'll make reservations for you through the courtesy of the MARS station. So make this winter in Europe a worthwhile one. Find out about the fun you are missing and don't let this opportunity pass you by.

To get the season off to a good start, the service club is arranging a weekend ski trip to La Schlute, a resort near Colmar in the Vosges Mts. Further details will be published later, but remember the date, January 18, and make plans now to participate.

Two more big stage shows coming up in the next week. On January 20, a top variety show featuring song, dance and comedy. And on Wednesday, January 23, a fine show imported for your entertainment from Paris!

For those of you who have been requesting lessons in Mambo and Cha-Cha-Cha, we

now have the answer. One of Chambley's own airman recently acclaimed "The Mambo King of Luxembourg," for his nightclub performances there, has agreed to start lessons right here in the service club. On Wednesday, at 8 o'clock those latin melodies can be heard and soon, you too will love mambo. Classes must be limited, so please drop by the office and sign up.

Stage 21, Chabley's little theater group, has chosen for their spring production, *My Three Angels*, a hilarious story of three convicts on a holiday. Watch for the casting date, there may be a part for you.

We've been missing some of the familiar faces at the Friday night square dances, but glad to welcome so many new ones. Don't forget, every Friday at 8 o'clock, the first set is squared and the fun starts!

That's all 'till next time, see you at the service club.

OWC January Calendar

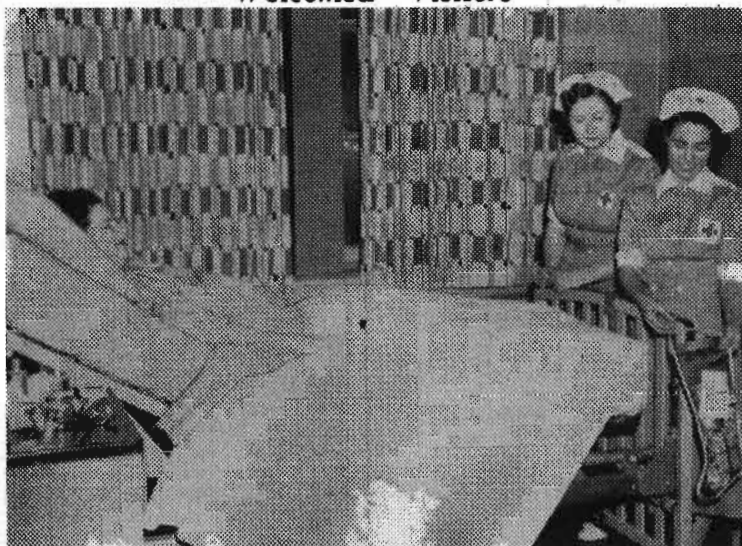
Jan 15	..	416th Coffee	- 1:30 pm.
Jan 16	..	72nd Coffee	- 1:30 pm.
Jan 22	..	M&S Gp Coffee	- 1:30 pm.
Jan 23	..	Hq Ftr Gp Coffee	- 1:30 pm.
Jan 24	..	Monthly Bridge	- 1:30 pm (Promptness adds 300 points to your score.)
Jan 25	..	Board Meeting	- 1:30 pm.
Jan 30	..	AB Gp Coffee	- 1:30 pm.
Jan 31	..	531st Coffee	- 1:30 pm.

LUNATICS
BY REBER & LUNA



"We are not going into battle, Comrade Major. We are going to a parade. Do you understand? A parade! Now go back and put on your dress uniform!"

Welcomed Visitors



Mesdames William Carter and Loren Craven, Gray Lady volunteers, distributed Christmas gifts to patients at the base hospital during the Holiday Season. The boredom of being confined to a hospital bed is continually made a little brighter through the efforts of the local Gray Lady organization.

Tri-Nation Traffic Control Unit Highlights AACS Expansion in '56

by MSgt James M. Messinger

A new Airways and Air Communications Service Squadron was initiated into the ranks of Air Force units in France on November 1, 1954. This organization was established at Chambley Air Base as the 1270th AACS Sq. The squadron began operations with one officer and three enlisted men; today there are over 55 assigned personnel. First commander for the squadron was 2nd Lt James L. Blake, our present commander is Capt Robert W. Nordmeyer.

Probably one of the largest operations within the unit in the past year was the changing of the Chambley Approach Control to the Moselle Approach Control. Expansion of the controlled area now gives coverage to bases located in the northeastern part of France. This expansion is unique in the sense that American, Canadian and French air traffic controllers work together in providing approach air traffic control for aircraft of the three nations.

As of July 1956, Moselle Control moved to Fort Jeanne d'Arc near Metz. The dedication of Fort Jeanne d'Arc took place on July 1, 1956. Principal speaker for the occasion was Commandant Cimetiere, Commander of the trination installation. Also attending were Brig Gen Daniel C. Doubleday, Commander, 1807th AACS Wing, Colonel N. Baker, Base Commander, and other prominent military persons.

In recalling the past history of the 1270th, one doesn't forget the unique tower which was constructed temporarily several months ago. As visibility was insufficient from the original mobile control tower it was mounted on a twenty foot wooden platform. Completion of the permanent tower was not made until March 17, 1956.

Our history also records the fact that we have saved many lives. The first official "save" was made on the morning of June 24, 1955. It involved four Canadian jets, who with only two minutes of fuel remaining, were guided to the base by the Chambley tower and all landed without incident. There have been numerous others since that notable "first."

During July 1956, a ground controlled approach record was set at this station

with 406 approaches. This record was increased to 551 approaches in August. It is also interesting to note that as of November 1956, ground controlled approaches passed the 5000th mark.

Two airmen of the squadron received the honor of being "Airman of the Quarter," during the past year. The two men were; A/1C Charles R. Van Cleve and A/2C Grier S. Yoder. S/Sgt Gene R. Overfield received the Commendation Ribbon for his alertness and operating efficiency by saving a pilot in a T-33, who was lost and low on fuel. Also the squadron received the second place trophy for squadron level football during the 1955 season. Two airmen from this team were selected for the base level team which participated in the USAFE Tournament.

The past history reveals many other achievements too numerous to mention. The future should prove to be more interesting than the past.

Didn't Catch the Name

BONN, Germany (AFPS) — German Registrar Office rules were bent slightly when a U.S. soldier from Hawaii married a German girl here. The registrar, contrary to law, omitted reading the bridegroom's name: Kahokunsniokekahohia-kaokuupuuwai.

Four MPs Take Drunk Driving Tests; Prove Alcohol Slows Reaction Time

CHARRED flesh and twisted wreckage. Not a pleasant thought, is it? But it happens. It happens all too often, especially in the winter holiday season when many drivers try to operate their cars after an evening of drinking.

Why it happens was shown recently in an experimental demonstration at Ft. Benning, Ga. Four Benning MPs took part. Each had four drinks. Two hours later they took driver reaction tests.

A sergeant who drank coke passed the test easily. A private first class who downed four martinis found his braking time slowed 66 per cent. Same with a specialist third class who drank four bourbons. A private first class who had four beers slowed down 30 per cent.

And had they undergone police tests, all would have been judged drunk drivers. Drunkometer tests showed the martini drinker had three times the legal limit of alcohol in his bloodstream. The bourbon imbibor had more than twice the limit, and the beer drinker was considerably beyond the legal minimum.

The volunteers got home safely. They were assigned chauffeurs. Tipplers who don't have chauffeurs won't find it so easy to arrive safely at home. (AFPS)

Success Story

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caps that through our fault, or the fault of others, or through no one's fault but destiny, have come our way. If we declare ourselves defeated by these stumbling blocks we do not deserve the ultimate goal of success in our lives.

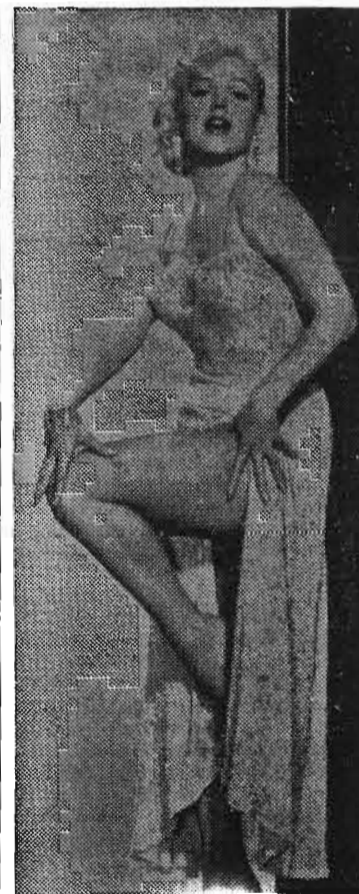
If you are one of the individuals struggling to reach the top, but feel that the "plums" aiming at the next rung are beyond your reach, it may be time for a bit of self-examination. Where are we failing to convince, where are we failing?

Are we being by-passed because of our appearance, dress, manners, thoughtfulness, efficiency, education or know-how?

By careful and honest evaluation of ourselves we may be able to see ourselves as others see us, we may discover those stumbling blocks that we ourselves lay in our way and overcome them graciously in order to take that next step forward.

If one of your problems is education, don't forget that we are here to serve you and that your problems may have an easy solution. Won't you please drop in and discuss your particular problem with us?

Choice for '57



Chambley Hits Century Mark Twice Against Toul Engr Depot Dodgers

The Chambley cage Rats kept the winning light burning during the long Holiday layoff, with a pair of exhibition wins over the Toul Engr Depot Dodgers in the 416th hangar on January 3rd and 4th.

Chambley smothered the engineers in the opening tilt, paced by Little Jim Fields 34 points, in a 102-49 shellac-ing. On the following night Fields hit the nets for 39 to lead the Rats to a 103-75 win.

Little Jim couldn't be held down in the opening contest as he pushed through 15 field goals before the halftime whistle. He played only five minutes of the second half, and chalked-up two more field goals for his total of 34 points.

Three other Rats hit in the double digits as Bob Sisk, Roger Nettles and Pee Ewers registered 10 markers each.

Player-coach Lief Carlson counted for eight points, and set some kind of a personal record by playing the entire first half without recording a single personal foul.

Fields hounded back with 16 field goals and seven charity tosses in the second go-around with the Toulmen, to gather high scoring honors for the evening with 39 tallies. Jim Barton and Carlson accounted for 14 apiece, while

Earl Redman played an exceptionally fine game, as he hit for 16 counters.

Redman

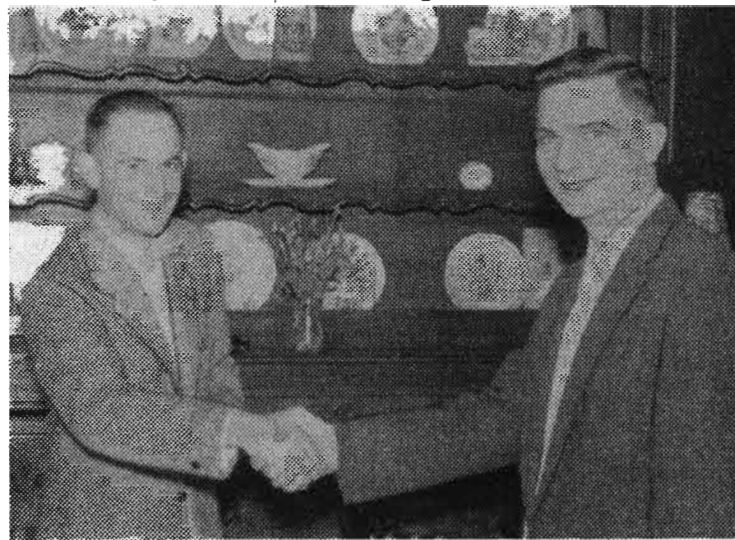


Bob Hurt pushed through six field goals and eight free tosses to register 20 Toul markers in the final contest.

This weekend the Rats will start the second half of Eastern France District cage competition with a twin bill against the Laon Rangers, to be played on a natural floor in Paris.

On January 17 and 18, the Toul-Rosières Tigers will visit the 416th gym in the final home games of the season for Chambley. Etain's Pioneers host the Rats in a double-header, scheduled to be played in Verdun, on January 24 and 25.

Sports Car Racing Enthusiasts



Richard B. D'Elosua, (left) President of the Chambley Sports Touring Club, presents the second place trophy to Billy Wier, following a recent sports car rally. Wier and his navigator, Cliff Siess, negotiated the 50 mile course in a Porsche 1500. The presentation was made at a dinner held after the rally in the village of Corny.

USAF Athletes Win 10 Olympic Medals

Air Force members on the U.S. Olympic Team took seven first place gold medals in the Melbourne, Australia, Olympic Games which ended December 8. The entire American team garnered 39 gold medals in the competition.

SAC's 1st Lt. W. Parry O'Brien of Travis AFB, California, the AF's amazing shot put artist, won a gold medal in the shot put event. He also set a new Olympic record by pushing the shot 60 feet, 11 inches, breaking his own 1952 Olympic distance.

The five AF members of the U.S. basketball team all earned gold medals in that competition. They are 2nd Lt. Richard J. Boushka of ARDC's Kirtland AFB, N. M.; 1st Lt. William B. Evans of ATC's Ellington AFB, Texas; 2nd Lt. Gilbert Ford of AMC's Tinker AFB, Okla; 2nd Lt Robert E. Jeangerard also of Ellington AFB, and 2nd Lt. Ronald P. Tomsic of ADC's Truxev Field, Wis.

First Lt. Walter Thane Baker of SAC's Lockbourne AFB, Ohio, won three medals in the Games. He earned a gold medal as a member of the winning U.S. relay team, a silver medal for taking 2nd place in the 100 meter dash and a bronze medal for 3rd place in the 200 meter dash. A second bronze medal for an AF athlete

went to 2nd Lt. Desmond Koch of CONAC's Long Beach Municipal Airport, Calif., for taking third in the discus throw.

Air Force Academy Faces Tough Season

DENVER, Colo. (AFPS)—Despite defeats in the last two games of the season, the Air Force Academy's varsity debut was a successful first step up the collegiate football ladder.

The Falcons will join the major school ranks in 1957 and already are slated to play top-ranking college elevens from almost every state of the nation by 1960.

Head coach Buck Shaw lauded his band of freshmen and sophomore players for their performances this season and assured the squad that it had made rapid strides during the 1956 campaign, which saw the AFA win six, lose two and tie one.

Shaw reminded the Cadets they'll be up against stronger foes each week next season, with Denver, Wyoming, Utah, Colorado A&M and New Mexico of the Skyline Conference on the schedule, along with Occidental, Detroit, Tulsa and George Washington.

But he added that with another year of experience and maturity plus the possibility of some help from the 1957 freshmen who will arrive in July, the Falcons need not fear they'll be outclassed

First Place Captured By ABGp, 72nd Cagers In Intra-Mural League

by Art Caldwell

The first place ties in both the American and National Leagues in the Base Intramural basketball program were broken during the Christmas Holidays. Paced by Fraser and Caldwell, the 72nd dumped Wing Headquarters by a 56-45 count to gain top position in the American League.

In the National circuit, Air Base Gp ran over the 416th, 59-27, as last year's champs from the 416th slipped into second place Tom Wills and Tom Caldwell gathered 18 apiece to pace the victors in grabbing firsts.

League Standings

(As of January 3, 1957)

American League

	Won	Lost
72nd Sq	5	0
Wing Hq	4	1
Communications	4	1
Maintenance	3	2
Air Police	0	5
531st Sq	0	5
Food Service	0	5

National League

	Won	Lost
Air Base Gp	5	0
416th Sq	4	1
Transportation	3	1
AACS Sq	2	3
TAC Hospital	1	3
Installations	1	4
Supply	0	4

Chambley Grads Win NCO Academy Degrees

FREISING, Germany, (Special) — Brig Gen James F. Whisenand, Deputy Commander, Third Air Force, recently presented diplomas to two graduates of the USAFE NCO Academy, Class 56-H, from Chambley. The Chambley graduates were T Sgt William B. Smith, 21st Air Police Sq and T Sgt Joseph Zylka, 21st Supply Sq. T Sgt Smith graduated with honors being third academically in a class of 143.

General Whisenand told the graduates he doesn't believe we are going to have a major World War III. He stated the reason for this is the result of the US policy of "Containment" adopted at the end of World War II. He said this policy has been to stop the spreading of Communism philosophically and psychologically. The General stressed to graduating NCO's, to help keep the Air Force strong. "The peace of the world, he said, rests on our shoulders."

District Cage Schedule

CHAMBLEY	OPPONENT	
78	Laon	56
66	Laon	59
68	Toul	43
51	Toul	74
99	Etain	57
83	Etain	57
Jan 12	Laon	Away
Jan 13	Laon	Away
Jan 17	Toul	Home
Jan 18	Toul	Home
Jan 24	Etain	Away
Jan 25	Etain	Away

531st Deploys

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readiness and effectiveness.

Personnel who desire to send letters to Wheelus Field, there will be mail boxes marked "Tripoli Mail" in the BX, Commissary and Officers Club. No postage is required for these letters, since they will be taken to Wheelus via the Chambley courier. Mail will be picked up daily from these boxes. For any further information contact M Sgt Glass, at extension 121.

Looking Back

One Year Ago

(The following news items appeared in the Chambley Sabre of January 13, 1956).

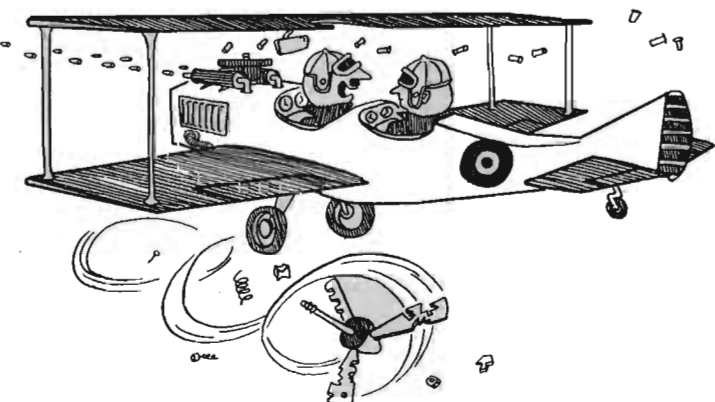
...William B. Branch Jr., 6 lb 3 oz son of T Sgt and Mrs. William B. Branch, 21st Supply Sq, made his arrival at the Verdun Army Hospital at 0335 on January 1, to become the fifth American dependent arrival in Europe for 1956.

...416th Officers begin work on new pilots' lounge.

...Hq USAF approves 416th Sq emblem.

...Blue Angels Cycle Club announces plans to construct TT course near 531st hangar.

...Desert Rats try for ninth straight conference cage victory, after Chambley edges SHAPE, 62-61, in Paris.



... "That crew chief's had it!"



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A green Shaeffer's "Snorkle" fountain pen, somewhere between the Post Office and the Ed. Center. If found please contact Mrs. Oberding at the Ed. Center, ext. 145.