

Mardi Gras Dance, tonight at 8:30 pm, at the Service Club. Good music furnished by Reni, lovely ladies and refreshments. If you do not want to wear a costume, come in coat and tie.



Chambley SABRE



Chambley's ace scorer, Jim Fields, is presently burning up the nets at the U.S.A.F.E. Championship Tournament at Bitburg Air Base. Fields is playing with the SHAPE Five. (See story page 4).

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Ribbon Cutting Ceremony Opens Permanent Snack Bar at CAB

All New Equipment, Pleasant Environment Are Best Features

Colonel Robert N. Baker, Wing Commander, cut the ribbon at opening ceremonies of the new Chambley snack bar at 9 am, February 18. The ceremony was attended by Col Neal E. Guy, Wing Executive Officer and Col Donald H. Lynch, ABGP Commander. Also attending were several AFEX representatives.

Seating capacity for the snack bar is approximately 150 persons. This is a considerable improvement over the smaller establishment previously run by AFEX on Chambley. AFEX Officer, Capt Michael E. Golubic, announced that the snack bar would be open continuously from 7:30 am to 10 pm.

Capt Golubic, while being interviewed, mentioned the fact that nearly every piece of equipment from the large refrigerating units to the tables and chairs, were brand new. Cooking space and equipment has doubled, while the storage area has also multiplied. Thereby allowing a wider variety of items to choose from. The addition of this new and modern apparatus will be a prime factor in suiting the taste of the individual customer.

A pleasant atmosphere has been created in the new facility through the furnishings, lighting and modern art work on the walls. In a word, the snack bar is the type of establishment that base personnel have needed for quite a long time.



Wing Commander, Colonel Robert N. Baker, opened the new base snack bar on February 18. Immediately after the ceremony the crowds poured in and the place has been doing a landslide business every since. Free coffee and doughnuts were served during the first day from 9 am to 10:30 am and again in the afternoon from 2 to 3:30.

Would You Care to Dance?

For those of you who enjoyed the first dance held at the St. Julien dance hall, there will be another gala event Sunday, February 24.

Starting time for the dance is 8 pm. Pierre Parachini's Orchestra, the same musical group that played last time, will give an encore performance.

Occasion for the dance is the Annual Village Feast. Don't miss this opportunity to have fun with our next door neighbors.

Application Period For Regular Officer Program Ends Soon

Application period for reserve officers to apply for Regular Air Force Augmentation terminates March 14, 1957. Applicants who possess the required 60 semester (90 quarter hours) toward a Baccalaureate Degree, but who are experiencing difficulty in obtaining the authenticated transcript or a statement of junior standing, may submit their application without the required documentary evidence.

However, upon receipt of required evidence it will be forwarded through channels to Hq USAF. In the event applicants who are hesitant about applying for Regular Air Force Augmentation, since they lack the required educational criteria, are encouraged to apply for a waiver since Hq USAF will make the final determination.

Interested personnel desiring information concerning the augmentation program are encouraged to contact their unit personnel officers or the Officers Section, Wing Director of Personnel, ext. 188.

New Compass Guides High-Speed Bombers

WASHINGTON (AFPS) — A new, revolutionary "astro" compass to guide high-speed bombers to long-range strategic targets with greater accuracy is being produced for the Air Force.

The compass, which automatically tracks celestial bodies and computes precise aircraft direction, is being built by the Kollsman Instrument Corp., Elmhurst, N.Y., under a \$26 million contract with the Air Research and Development Command.

Service Club Chief To Present Medals In Verdun Today

Today February 23, in a ceremony at the Verdun City Hall, Miss Claire Rangnow, Service Club Director at Chambley Air Base will present the medal of the 82nd Infantry Division to the cities of Chateau-Thierry, Saint Mihiel and Verdun.

Miss Rangnow's father, Adolph H. Rangnow was a member of Company G, 328th Infantry Regiment, 82nd Division and along with Sergeant Alvin C. York, also of Company G, was a recipient of a citation and medal for freeing those cities from the enemy in 1918.

Mr. Greenhut, President of the 82nd Infantry Division Association felt it would be unique to award the 82nd Division medal to these cities in recognition of their courtesy and hospitality to the American dough boys.

As a result of her present location and relationship with the 82nd, Miss Rangnow has been given the honor of representing the 82nd Division and will personally award a medal and a citation to each of the mayors of these cities.

The ceremony at the City Hall will be preceded by a luncheon at the Hotel Coq Hardi, in Verdun, which will be attended by Brig Gen Woodward, ADSEC CG, Brig Gen William M. Gross, Deputy Command-



Miss Claire Rangnow

er, 12th Air Force, Col Robert N. Baker, Wing Commander, Col Neal E. Guy, Wing Executive Officer, and the mayors of the four cities. Numerous French and American Military and civilian dignitaries have also been invited. While the luncheon is taking place, the Twelfth Air Force Drum and Bugle Corps will parade from the Victorie Monument in Verdun to the City Hall.

At 3:30 pm, immediately following the luncheon, all dignitaries will assemble in the spacious City Hall with its historic French and American relics. After a brief resume of the battle honors of the 82nd Division by the Mayor of Verdun, Miss Rangnow will make the presentations and those present will be invited to sign the Guest Book of the City of Verdun.

Who's Next?

Chambley Airman Killed in Crash

It's happened again. Will you be next? Last December three Chambley airmen were brutally killed. Again on the night of February 18, and airman's body was violently ripped apart—and he too died horribly.

Yes, it was terrible. The airman's left leg was shattered from the hip down with jagged edges of bone protruding from torn flesh. His chest was crushed. His right hip was smashed, and he had been impaled on the gear shift lever -- which had broken off and was still in him.

Four airmen from Chambley Air Base have been killed in the past three months. They were killed by specific acts committed by drivers of automobiles. Two who were killed, drove themselves to death; two were driven to their deaths by someone else. Their deaths cannot be attributed to the board term of carelessness. Their deaths were the results of specific unsafe driving acts that were the results of utter disregard for their own lives—and worse—the utter disregard for the lives of others.

What does it take to make you realize that high speed on curves, and that drinking and driving are specific unsafe acts. What does it take to make you realize that these unsafe acts are not your right to commit? What right do you have to take the lives of others in your hands?

What about the next time you drive, or the next time you ride as a passenger, will you be next?

Officer Augmentation Called Important By Secretary of the AF

Secretary Quarles stated February 2 that he considers the Regular Officer Augmentation Program as approved by the Department of Defense to be "one of the most important of our recent actions."

In a speech before the Reserve Officers Association in Washington, D. C., the Air Force Secretary said the augmentation program, "in meeting the requirement for an increased number of regular officers, has the logic of providing spaces for many reservists who are, in reality, career officers."

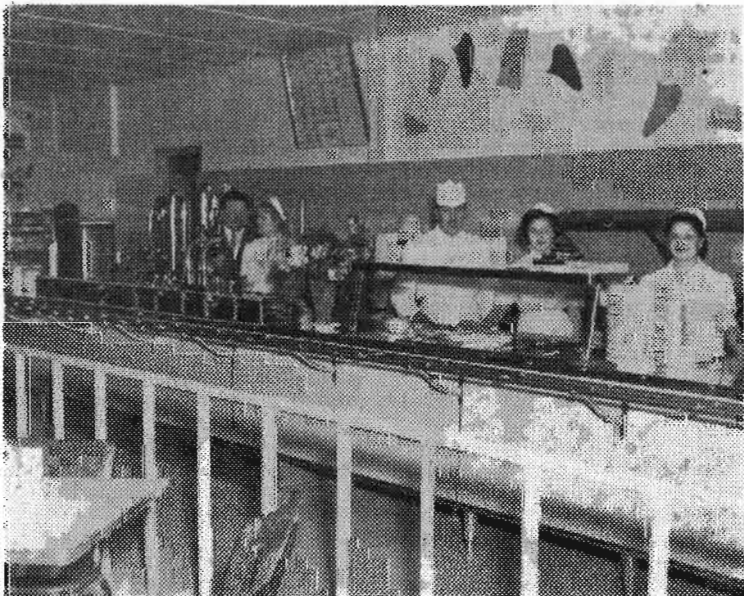
Mr. Quarles said our present goal is the integration of approximately 25,000 reserve officers to bring the proportion of Regular Air Force officers up to about 36 per cent.

"This will be steadily increased to 40 per cent; to increase further will require Presidential approval," he said. "The Air Force is gratified with the progress that has been made in this augmentation program, but recognizes the administrative pitfalls that may develop. I can assure you that action on a broad front is being taken to make this a sound, timely operation."

The Air Force Secretary

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New Place But Old Faces



Still the same employees but far from the same snack bar. The new facility is now one of the nicest functions on Chambley. The snack bar has been equipped with modern apparatus from new grilles down to tables and chairs.

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Fair n' Foul

Spotlight on the Kids

by Tee J. Eff

Nothing bashful about the Boy Scouts. At a meeting with the Pagny Scouts in the local cinema where the whole town was gathered our boys gave a soulful rendition of Alouette.

The Fun Age Dance at the NCO Club, was a success from all viewpoints. The boys and girls had a ball and the spectators got tired watching the jumping gyrations and wishing they had the energy being expended.

For the first time on Chambley a real honest to goodness bugle was used. The Scouts broke one out at their camp fire up in the AYA area and the trailer park echoed the calls, not quite up to par, but almost.

Around the Base

The steam lines are climbing out from below the ground and going overhead. Bigger and better heat is forecast if and when the project is completed.

If we had a "General Arriving" score once a month the base would be clean nearly all the time.

The commissary shelves were so empty the other day it looked like Lt Voils was going to have to route traffic thru the rail cars.

During the recent fur showing at the NCO Club Mrs Fowle tried to sell the fur coat right off the back of the saleslady. "I liked it," she said "And I tried to sell it."

The Air Force Times has twice

claimed a man 6'7 1/2 as the tallest in the Air Force. He's just a shorty compared to our Big Red Mrusek who measures 6'9".

Col Cooke gave a final demonstration of the qualifications of a Special Services Officer. At his farewell party he stood on his head and drank a scotch and soda (No gravity in the vacuum is his explanation).

Mrs. Baker, the Wing Commander's wife must have thought the revolution had started when the shingles blew off of Col Pruet's trailer and lit in her bed.

The approved wing emblem arrived just too late. All the activity signs are up with the sword pointing the wrong way.

Hit and Miss

Five days of good weather in February is about the quota for the year. Now we can look forward to another 12 months of rain.

Biggest construction on the base today is a boarding house big enough to handle all the rumors floating around.

Why not a parking area between the main gate and the education center for military vehicles. Get them off of the shoulders and out of the too few spaces an ordinary guy can park in.

Did you notice last week that the editor can't multiply 23 air mail stamps cost \$1.38 not \$1.48.

Honor Milt Caniff With High Award

BOLLING AFB (AFPS)—The inimitable creator of "Steve Canyon," cartoonist Milton Caniff, recently was presented the Exceptional Service Award for his "unparalleled" contributions to the Air Force.

The award cited Mr. Caniff for 20 years of service to the Air Force through countless special assignments and the collective adventures of "Terry and the Pirates," "Male Call," and his present "Canyon" strip.

The presentation, made by Air Force Secretary Donald A. Quarles at the Pentagon, followed a luncheon sponsored exclusively by enlisted men and a review in honor of the famous cartoonist here.

New OWC Chairmen Named at Luncheon

by Bettie Curry

Valentines were the theme for the February luncheon with lace, hearts and red carnations, all nicely done by the Hq Fighter-Bomber Gp Wives who were the sponsors.

The centerpiece of red carnations and a heart shaped box of candy was won by Mary Guy. Unusual was the buffet of assorted fried Seafoods and trimmings. Raffle prizes of a carving set and hair dryer were won by Laura Kearney and Genny Harter.

The President, Nancy Auger, announced the new Committee Chairmen: Frances Perry, Luncheon Chairman; Betty Weed, Special Events; Carolyn Edgett, Co-Chairman; Hilah Armstrong, Bridge Chairman; Pat Tarsitano, Welfare Chairman and Betty Curry, Publicity Chairman, Alice Dobbys, Co-Chairman.

A letter from the Conference of American Women's Club activities in France was read outlining plans for a conference to be held in Paris in March. Anyone interested may contact Betty Auger.

The permanent luncheon reservation list has proved successful and was permanently adopted. If your name is not on this list, please be sure to sign the non-permanent list in either the commissary or the powder room.

Betty Baker extended a cordial invitation to the wives of the Medical Gp to attend the coffee held on the third Wednesday of each month with the Hq Fighter-Bomber Gp wives.

Lorene Bean welcomed newcomers Mildred Metzger, Eleanor Babb and Peggy Perron to the OWC.

Ruth Hemm, Entertainment Chairman and Betty Weed, Special Events Chairman, conspired to give us entertainment for profit for the OWC with a White Elephant Sale. The items were disguised by paper bags so the results were highly hilarious. The 416th Sq wives will sponsor the March luncheon.

New AF Missile, Termed Best Yet, Shown to Public

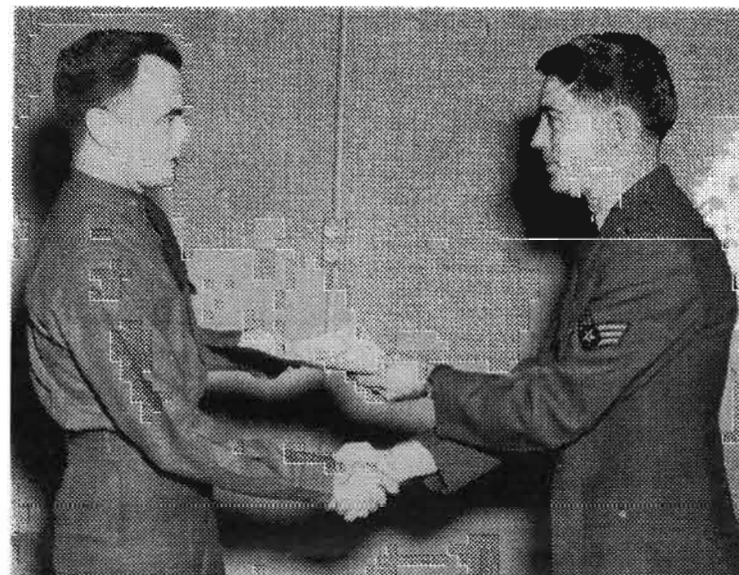
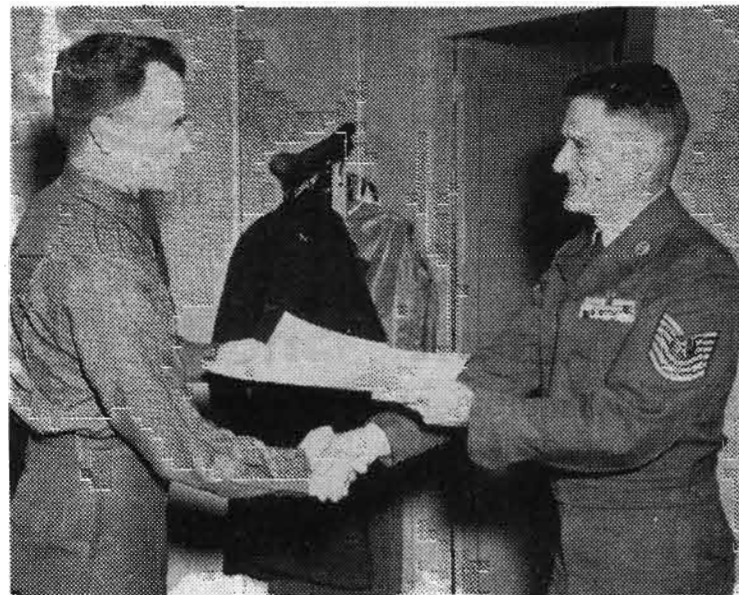
WASHINGTON (AFPS) — The Air Force has unveiled a new supersonic air-to-air guided missile that can knock attacking bombers from the skies at greater heights than any other existing weapon.

The missile, an improved version of the Falcon developed by the Hughes Aircraft Co., is being manufactured at the Hughes Tucson, Ariz., plant.

Slightly longer than six feet, six inches in diameter and weighing less than the average man, the GAR-1D is a radar-guided missile designed to arm all-weather jet interceptors in quantity. The Falcon is carried in wing racks.

With a range measured in miles, the new Falcon can be launched below an enemy bomber and the tremendous thrust of its rocket motor carries it to altitudes well in excess of the intercepting plane's capability.

Commander's Congratulations



M Sgt John H. Cotton, (above) Hq Sq 21st Fighter-Bomber Wing and A/1C Larry J. Holliday (below) Trans Sq, were picked as Outstanding NCO and Airman of the quarter. The two men competed for the honor against other men from the various squadrons on Chambley. M Sgt Cotton is a manpower technician, in Wing Headquarters and Airman Holiday is night shift supervisor at the base motor pool.

Pay Bill 'Priority' Urged by DOD, Cordiner Report Favors Tech Skill

WASHINGTON (AFPS)—Defense Secretary Charles E. Wilson has asked "priority consideration" for laws introduced on the basis of Cordiner Committee recommendations.

Mr. Wilson told the House Armed Services Committee he hoped Congress would act favorably on any legislation growing out of the Cordiner group's study of military pay.

WASHINGTON (AFPS) — The Cordiner Committee recommendations have been shaped to give the services the means to build "quality" forces to keep pace with technological advances rather than merely to revamp pay practices.

While the Cordiner studies focus on Armed Forces pay structure the proposals, now made public, are designed to enable the services to be selective in retraining personnel and to provide sufficient incentive for those with needed skills and leadership ability to follow military careers.

Aside from the revised pay scales, which would give no more than 50 per cent of the officers and EM some additional compensation, but would protect everyone from a pay cut through a "saving cause," the plan is flexible and would permit the separate services to use the "proficiency pay" provision to solve their own particular personnel problems in the combat arms or technical fields.

Secretary of Defense Charles E. Wilson on Dec. 31 asked the service secretaries to compute the cost, estimate the gains and savings in training and to submit their plans for implementing the program over a four-year period by Feb 1.

The final committee report, due about February 15, will not be drafted for Mr. Wilson until these replies have been reviewed.

The plan, basically, is simple, as the following example will illustrate:

A young man who re-enlisted after his obligated service has advanced to grade E-5 as an expert truck driver, and has taken on family responsibilities with the accompanying pay allowances.

Since proficiency in driving (Cont. page 4)

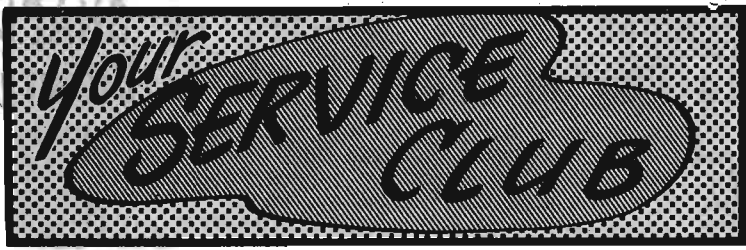
Chambley Model



Bernards Furs of Metz, made a visit to Chambley recently to put on a show for the NCO Wives Club. The show was held in the ballroom of the NCO Club during the wives luncheon. Mrs. John Ivey, modeled this stunning mink stole, that was quickly bought by a lucky woman on Chambley.

Little Giggle

Then there was the aviation cadet who made a beautiful landing on the runway wheels-up. When asked why he didn't answer the frantic calls from the control tower to pull up, he replied: "Couldn't hear the radio—the warning horn was making too much noise." (AFPS).



by Claire, Rhoda and Patt

Opportunity is knocking on your door if you have any talent along the musical or entertainment line. Thru the USAFE Talent Contests it is possible to win your way to the States for an audition into the famous "Top In Blue" travelling group.

This is how the series of contests run. Base Level Contests on the base to determine who shall go forward to the next level. The "Talent Revue" tonight at 8 p.m., will be a preliminary to the base talent contest which will be held in March.

Area Level Contest: Winners of the base level contests enter this and it will be the "All France Talent" contest. To be held sometime in April.

USAFE Talent Contest: The tops in talent from all over Europe will compete for the chance to go to the States. This is usually held in Germany sometime in April after the area level contest.

Don't let the opportunity pass you by. If you are at all interested come in and talk with us and maybe we can solve some of the problems that seem to be in your way.

Here is a new word for your vocabulary, gourmet - a person who enjoys preparing and eating rare dishes of food. We are starting a society of such folks at the Club.

Every Friday night they gather and concoct all sorts of weird and delicious dishes for you to try. Last week it was "Cheese soufflé" a la French, and this coming week it will be "Crepe Suzettes," those elegant little French pancakes.

Monsieur Bourdelain of civilian personnel has been our chef. If you can show us a rare old recipe bring it in on Friday, this society is not elite, its open to all.

It is "Fasching" season and "Mardi Gras" season in Europe while here at Chambley it will also be Mardi Gras time. Saturday night, the 23rd, of this month, we are having a Mardi Gras Ball complete with costumes, girls, zany decorations and weird refreshments.

It will be a coat and tie deal men, if you don't have a costume.

You know the old saying of a feast or a famine, well that is the way our stage shows have come in this month. There will be two in a row next week so don't get confused. On Wednesday the 27th, the show that comes straight from the States with Miss Miami in it will play at the Club starting at 8:30 pm. It is the



Miss Miami

latest rock and roll revue from EAFPED.

Then the next night, Thursday, the 28th, we have a European musical revue, one of Verdun's specials. Come early and get a good seat.

The results of our Miss

72nd FBS Arrives At Wheelus Field

by 1st Lt Maurice Vaughn

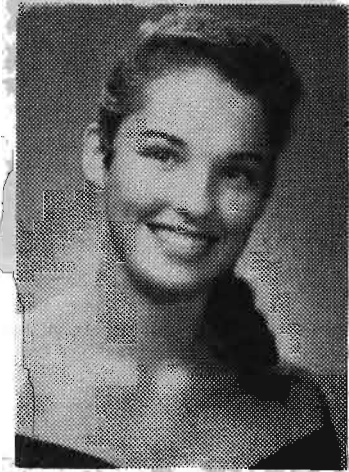
The 72nd Fighter-Bomber Sq, completed the movement to Wheelus Field, Tripoli, on Saturday, February 9. Although this makes the fourth encampment for the unit at Tripoli, many new personnel are anticipating the encampment with much anxiety.

Those having been there before show less excitement and are prepared for hard work with no expectations of pleasure worthy of writing home about. Among the experienced in addition to normal TDY personal belongings, there can be found extra toilet tissues in case of invariable emergencies there.

Unit representation here at Chambley will be limited to a few personnel, one officer, several airmen that are going home, and those fortunate ones expecting to be fathers soon. The maximum effort of the unit toward the gunnery practice is expected to result in a highly qualified fighter squadron, which would justify all hardships involved. After all, we would have no reason to be here if the fighter squadrons are not kept combat ready.

Lt Col Issac T. Van Patten III, 72nd Commander, has set a high goal for his unit while in Tripoli. He says the pilots will be flying the maximum amount and there will be long, hard hours of work for all.

Tripoli will have plenty of bright sunshine, so with the good food and hard work, the 72nd can be expected to return to Chambley in perfect health and combat ready.



Miss Linda Stone

Sweetheart Contest of 1957 were very pleasing, not only to the eyes but to the men whose gals won.

Top winner of them all was Miss Linda Stone of Los Angeles, sweetheart of A/2C Troy Bonar, Hq Sq ABGp. Miss Linda will receive a dozen red roses. A lovely girl from Sweden, Miss Marguerita, sweetheart of A/2C Eric Paul, Commer, Trans. Sq, came in second. She will receive a bottle of French perfume. Last but not least was Miss Mac Clain of the good ole USA, sister, so he says, of A/1C Joe Mac Clain, Maint Sq. She will receive an evening bag. It was no easy matter for the judges, there were many winners but only three could reach the finals. The popular votes came out exactly the same as the judges choice, by the way.

Don't forget to drop in and see us after you have had that cup of coffee in the new snack bar. The double doors leading into the snack bar will be open during the same hours as the Service Club. Remember the regulation of no fatigues still holds, men, and we have to ask you not to bring any food into the Club. See you around the premise.

Career Subdivision Openings for March Promotions Sent to Field

The Air Force has authorized 56,300 airman promotions to the grades of Master Sergeant through Airman Second Class for March 1, the third promotion cycle in Fiscal Year 1957.

The breakdown of the promotion quota authorizes 700 to M Sgt., 1,600 to T Sgt., 9,500 to S Sgt., 21,500 to A/1C and 23,000 to A/2C.

All major commands have been notified by Headquarters USAF personnel officials that they may promote to fill M Sgt command vacancies in 32 career subdivisions, to T Sgt in 39 subdivisions and to S/Sgt in 42 subdivisions.

In addition, major commanders

may waive command vacancy requirements in 27 career subdivisions critically short AF-wide for promotion to M Sgt., in 23 subdivisions to T Sgt and 42 to S Sgt.

Promotions in March to M Sgt are frozen in 61 career subdivisions, to T Sgt in 58 subdivision and to S Sgt in 42 subdivisions, because of AF-wide surpluses presently existing in these subdivisions in the NCO grades.

March 1 will be the date both of promotion and rank. This will provide uniformity throughout the AF with regard to rank and pay of airmen promoted. One more round of airman promotions will be made in the AF this Fiscal Year, on June 1.

Grand concours de dessin pour notre entête

« Notre Page » n'est pas tout à fait une page aujourd'hui mais ce n'est que provisoire. Il s'agit donc, pour les futures éditions, de lui trouver un titre. Ce titre devra être ensuite dessiné et illustré à la manière de l'entête générale du journal. Il devra être représentatif de notre travail de civils français sur une base américaine et s'accorder autant que possible avec le titre du Sabre.

Un grand concours est donc ouvert aujourd'hui. Les entrées, sous forme de dessins à l'encre de chine sur carton blanc de format plus grand que nature pour en faciliter la reproduction typographique, devront parvenir au CPO pour le 15 Mars au plus tard. Ils seront signés d'un pseudonyme et accompagnés d'une enveloppe CACHETÉE désignée extérieurement par le même pseudonyme que le dessin et contenant l'identité complète du concurrent, y compris son adresse et sa section. Ces enveloppes seront gardées dans un coffre-fort jusqu'à ce que le vainqueur ait été choisi par le jury, garantissant ainsi une parfaite impartialité des juges.

Le jury sera composé de membres du CPO et de membre de l'équipe de rédaction du Sabre. Les 3 meilleurs dessins seront présentés au Colonel Baker et c'est lui-même qui désignera le vainqueur. Le prix de la victoire est une surprise qui sera digne de l'effort fourni.

Je souligne que la préférence sera donnée à l'idée plus qu'à la technique en ce sens que le jury choisira plutôt une idée originale, même si sa réalisation technique a besoin d'être retouchée avant la gravure de la plaque.

Mettez-vous donc vite au travail. Nous vous garantissons que la surprise ne sera pas à dédaigner... et nous attendons vos œuvres avec impatience.

SI PAUVRES....

Mlle Taillepiste eut un jour une idée, en fit une suggestion, l'envoya, et... elle attend encore.

Ce sombre mélodrame contient une part de vérité, mais il est visiblement démodé. Nous n'en sommes plus au temps des premiers coups de pioche et des bâtiments en caisses d'emballage. Le programme de Suggestions est maintenant en plein fonctionnement, "under control", et les chèques sont honorés... ailleurs. On nous signale en effet, ô honte !, de Paris qu'Étain a soumis 10 suggestions pendant le second semestre de 1956. Dreux 15, Toul 13, et Chambley... 3 !

Nos salaires sont-ils si élevés que nous n'avons pas besoin d'argent, ou sommes-nous si pauvres en « matière grise » ?

Est-il nécessaire de rappeler qu'une suggestion n'est pas une invention, que tout le monde à voix au chapitre et... à la récompense ! Ne laissons pas échapper cette occasion, elle est tellement plus sûre que la loterie.

Non ! l'esprit « de base » ne manque pas, les Lorrains ne sont pas moins ingénieux que d'autres, ils sont seulement moins bavards. Mais attention, le moment est venu de nous montrer un peu !

Souvenons-nous aussi que les idées les plus simples sont toujours les plus fécondes et, à ce sujet, laissez-moi vous dire un conte : Il était une fois un homme qui regardait les étoiles et qui trouva que

Editorial

Notre page

Ce « Sabre » est le journal de la base, de tout son personnel, et un reflet de ses activités. C'est pourquoi les civils y ont leur place, comme ils ont leur place dans le travail. Il nous appartient donc de l'occuper ! Comment ?

Précisons tout de suite qu'il n'y a place ici pour aucune polémique, de quelque genre qu'elle soit, et que les stratèges sur table ou les orateurs d'arrière-salle devront chercher une autre tribune pour attendre la gloire.

Notre page, c'est quelque chose de beaucoup plus positif puisqu'elle va refléter notre vie et notre travail. C'est un moyen d'expression et un véhicule d'idées, pour mieux nous connaître, pour combler le trou qui existe dans nos rapports entre le bus du matin et celui du soir, pour dépasser le cadre des rapports intérieurs à notre section et prendre conscience de la base comme un ensemble.

Voilà ce qu'est cette page, et, pour qu'elle soit vraiment nôtre, il faut que nous l'écrivions tous ensemble. Ce n'est pas difficile, il nous faut seulement la matière et, seuls, vous pouvez la fournir. Nous devons tous participer, il n'est pas nécessaire pour cela d'être journaliste et, si vous ne savez pas écrire du tout, venez au CPO où l'on vous aidera.

Que diable ! Nous ne sommes pas paresseux sur le tas ! Montrons-le ici aussi ! Il se passe certainement à Vandelainville des choses qui intéressent « ceux d'Hageville », la dernière bonne histoire de Metz amuserait sûrement les collègues de Gorze, on se marie à Mars-la-Tour, un bébé est né à Ars, quelqu'un à Accounting vient de terminer un travail, une étude, elle aimerait peut-être qu'on le sache à Supply, que ses amis nous le disent ! Il y a place ici pour le dernier « truc » du mécanicien, les vers du poète, la critique cinématographique, le football, la danse, les livres, que sais-je ? toutes informations d'intérêt général. Rassurez-vous, il n'est pas besoin de signatures de votre chef de service, de certification budgétaire ou d'accord de l'Intendance. Écrivez ou venez au CPO, appelez le 230, manifestez-vous de quelque manière que ce soit pour que cette page soit vraiment une PAGE, pleine et vivante, riche et gaie, et qu'elle soit vraiment NOTRE puisque nous l'aurons écrite autour des sujet qui nous importent.

Alors nous aurons NOTRE PAGE.

les écrans de cinéma étaient trop petits, il les agrandit. L'homme s'appelait H. Chrétien, le procédé, l'hypergonar et le résultat est le CINÉMASCOPE.

Ne laissez donc plus vos idées dans le bas de laine ! placez-les, faites-en des suggestions, contactez le Training Branch (Tél. 230) qui vous aidera à les écrire, à les traduire, et soyez sûrs que, quel que soit le résultat, le Président du Comité des Suggestions lui-même vous répondra par lettre personnelle.

Mes amis, c'est une surprise-partie, si nous voulons une part du gâteau, apportons ce qu'il faut pour le faire.

..... OU SI RICHES.



Redman, Fields Selected by SHAPE To Play in USAFE Finals at Bitburg

Chambley's Earl Redman and Jim Fields are now participating in the USAFE championship finals at Bitburg Air Base. The two outstanding Chambley cagers were drafted by the SHAPE quintet after the Indians has annexed the France District Championship, in play-offs at Chateauroux Air Base.

The Slant on Sports

Beards Toy With History; Benning's Sharp Strikes

Round Robin: Twenty-five years ago, Percy Beard Sr. set a world outdoor 120-yard hurdles record of 14.2 seconds. Now comes Percy Beard Jr., Naval Academy hurdles entry in the Golden Jubilee Millrose Games, coached at Annapolis by Earl Thomson, whose world record Percy Sr. broke.

Off the Backboard: Seattle University is the first entrant for the 1957 National Invitation Tournament, scheduled for March 16-23 in NYC's Garden. This year's NIT, 20th renewal of the nation's oldest basketball tourney, has the finals slated for Saturday afternoon for the benefit of TVers... Rebound artist Tom Kelly of Long Island University comes by his ability to work in crowded spaces naturally—he's one of 14 children... Three reasons this year's Ft. Dix Burros are sporting an unblemished record to date: Privates Sihugo Green, Al Ferrari and Al Clinkscale—all are All-Americans and pro basketballers. The Burros are averaging 92 points per game.

Diamond Dust: In Milwaukee they sell beer and baseball tickets. The Braves report an advance sale of 11,927 season tickets, thus assuring themselves of a guaranteed attendance for 72 home games of 858,744—this two months before opening day... American and National League clubs have scheduled 175 spring exhibition games... Longtime exhibition rivals, the Cleveland Indians and N. Y. Giants, once more hook up in the longest spring series of 20 games, literally "coast-to-coast"... The Yankees and Dodgers fight it out early this year, meeting in a pre-season "series" April 13-14 in NYC.

Potpourri: Shelly Mann, Walter Reed Hospital and Olympic 100-meter butterfly swimming champion, has enrolled at the University of Hawaii... They believe in long-time champions at Oklahoma. Besides a football team that hasn't been beaten since-you-know-when, the wrestling team has been Big Seven champion for the last seven years...

Army Lt. Ben Sharp, rolling in the Ft. Benning alleys, put together games of 196-220-289 for Benning's highest series in bowling league competition. The 289 game, second highest

to a 300 game last year, happened when Sharp, after rolling 10 straight strikes, left the five pin standing on the 11th ball. Now wouldn't that bowl you over?

Pay Bill Priority

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ing is a relatively easy skill to learn, this man has ceased to be vital to the service because he can be replaced satisfactorily from a pool of less experienced men and at a smaller cost.

Always a nightmare of controllers, who make budgets, has been an aging force where men progressively acquire more dependents which in turn call for additional schools, more hospitals and larger communal facilities such as exchange stores, commissaries and dispensaries.

Our truck driver has come to a point in his military career where his progress in his present skill is slow and his value to the service is depreciating although his family obligations are mounting.

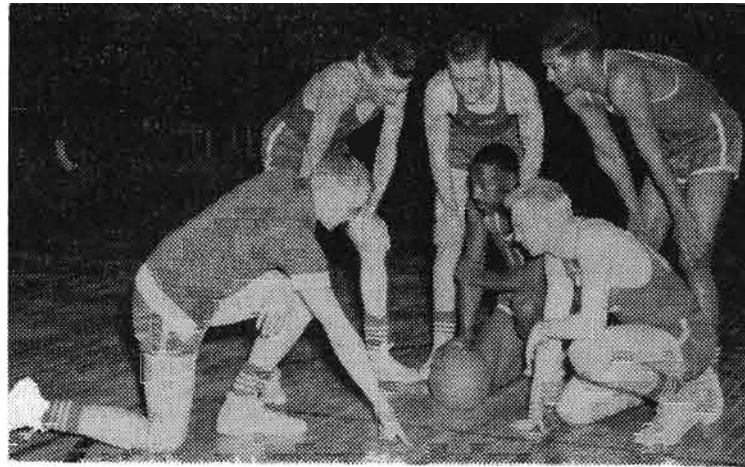
Here the proposed plan breaks a stalemate on both sides. If he persists in remaining a truck driver he could be denied re-enlistment on his next hitch.

On the other hand, he could be retrained in a higher skill where his services could be utilized to the best advantage.

While the proposed program offers the young enlisted man and officer little immediate monetary gain, the new "realistic" pay scales would provide those who are ambitious, progressive and willing to work advancement commensurate with their mounting abilities at practically the same income levels they could attain as they progress in civilian pursuits.

These are the men the services want to keep while they make the oldtimers in the "dead wood" categories move up or move out.

Rats Plan For Tour



Chambley's Desert Rats are busy getting into shape for a few tentatively planned tournaments against French, Spanish and Italian cagef squads. Practice sessions have been slightly disrupted recently with Jim Fields and Earl Redman participating in the USAFE Championship Finals at Bitburg Air Base.

University of Maryland Benefits Explained by Education Center

by Cornelio de Kanter

As we signed up new students during the month of January for the University of Maryland and the USAFI Group Study High School programs, we came to the realization that there are still many airmen and officers on this base who do not know the advantages there are to be gained by joining in one of these programs. So, we feel that perhaps many things that seem self-evident to us who work at the Education Center every day, are not self-evident to you, but are actually tremendous mysteries.

So, let us explain some of these mysteries.

The University of Maryland program is strictly a resident program. This means that every course that is taught here on the base counts exactly the same as a course taken at the University of Maryland Campus.

You may take your remaining credits with the University of Maryland Program in order to be eligible to receive a degree. Graduation exercises take place in Heidelberg, Germany, and usually high officers of NATO, or theater commanders are honored at these ceremonies by being awarded honorary degrees from Maryland. If you were a junior or senior in college, why not look into the matter and see if you can't get your degree while serving?

Credits are awarded by the University of Maryland for some military training schools. Did you attend one of the

Drafting of athletes, in this fashion, was made possible under a recent Air Force rule change devised to spark keener competition in Air Force sports conference play-offs and Air Force-wide tournaments.

Sports officials at Hq USAF announced in early February that a base team winning first place at the district level of sports competition can augment its team by up to three players drawn from its competitors.

Again, the winner of a tournament at the next higher level of Air Force competition, the Air Force sports conference, also can augment its team by up to three players drawn from the other teams in the tourney.

Teams strengthened in this manner would then be able to go into the Air Force-wide tournament for that sport with squads consisting of the top athletes of their conferences.

Philosophy behind the rules liberalization is to give a top Air Force athlete who may be on a weak team from a small installation an opportunity to compete in higher levels of Air Force sports through being "drafted" to play with a stronger team from his sports conference.

Sharpshooting Fields, has done more than his fair share thus far in lifting the Indians towards the championship. In the first tilt of the play-offs the SHAPE five triped the Kirknewton Comets, 81-58. In the scoring category for the Indians, Fields came in third with 16, behind Jim Singleton, 30 markers and Eddie Barnett with 19 counters.

In a heart-stopping second game with the Sembach Tigers, SHAPE clinched the contest on two charity tosses by Harvey Rowans, 87-86. The fracas was close throughout with never more than seven points separating the two quintets. SHAPE carried an 85-78 lead into the last two minutes only to see the Sembachers come roaring back to go ahead 86-85, with only seconds left on the clock.

At this crucial point, a Sembach player fouled SHAPE's Rowans. Rowans iced the game by dunking the two free throws. Fields sparked the Indians as he notched 28 counters, in addition to turning in a stellar performance when the going was the toughest.

schools that may be worth college credit to you? If so, why not get the school officially evaluated by Maryland and find out where you stand.

Don't forget, the University of Maryland courses are not correspondence or extension courses. These are actually resident courses taught by approved instructors who hold advanced degrees in their fields of instruction, or who, because of special qualifications would be permitted to teach at any state-side university.

Also let us dispel any possible misunderstanding regarding these courses as to the ease of completing them. We have frequently heard the statement, "are these courses graded higher or are they easier to take than a similar course in the U.S.?" The answer to this question would be a most emphatic no to both parts. You are in lecture for a period of three academic hours twice a week, and the instructors grade you in relation to what they expect to have regular college students make in a similar course in the U.S.

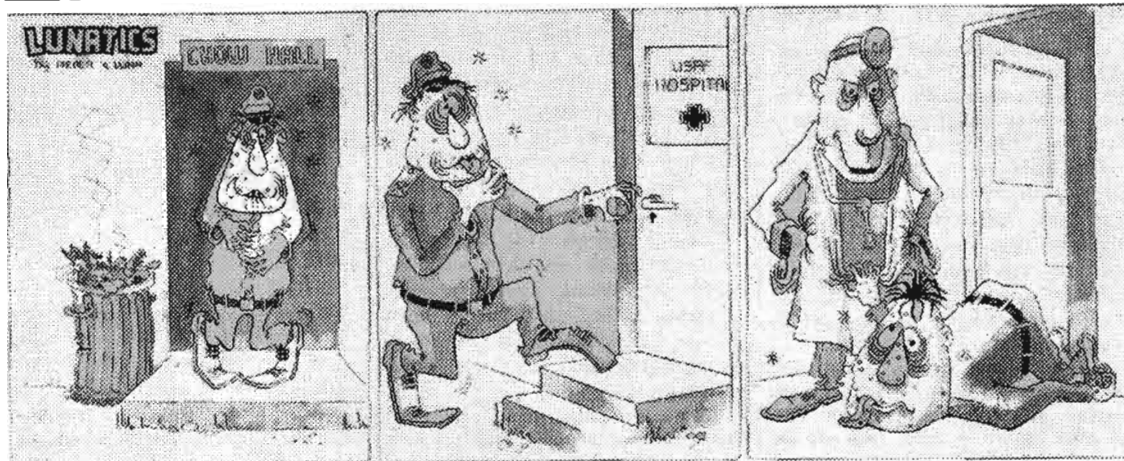
There is perhaps one word of caution that should be added to this write-up on the University of Maryland Program. The courses offered have to have a certain number of students enrolled before they can actually be taught. The Education Center is in a position to offer only those courses for which it will have enough students to warrant its teaching. Should you be interested in seeing a particular course offered, come to the Education Center today, and let us know what your needs are.

Officer Program

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reviewed the increasing strength of the present-day Air Force for defense or retaliation, if necessary, and stated:

"It seems logical that if we have the strength required for global war, we could certainly meet any threat of lesser magnitude. The important point is, that if we must become involved in a 'little war' to meet overt Communist aggression, we should act decisively and with all necessary strength, using our best weapons if required."



Don't lie to me "Pierre," you've been eating on the economy again.