

## Easter Closing

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## Lifesavers Story

For a brief insight into the birth and activities of the Air Rescue Service, see page 5. The story of the 83rd ARS, from Spangdahlem, Germany.

# Chambley Groups, Squadrons Reorganize

## Wing Commander Cuts Ribbon at Red Cross Center

The new Metz Red Cross Center was formally opened at 5 pm on Sunday, April 7. Col Robert N. Baker, Wing Commander, represented Chambley, the sponsoring air base. Col Baker cut the ribbon officially opening the recreation center.

Representatives from the various American installations in the Metz-Verdun area were present for the ceremony. Also attending were French and Canadian personnel from the vicinity. A conservative estimate would place the number of those attending at approximately three hundred.

Those who have not checked this new facility should do so. The building has been completely renovated inside and is furnished with the latest in modern furniture. There are several music rooms, reading rooms and a completely equipped kitchen.

## 'My Three Angels' Rated Success by Sabre Critic

"Stage 21" once more presented a successful play on Chambley. Those of us fortunate enough to be on hand for the well attended performances saw a very amusing comedy, excellently directed by Richard L. Scammacca.

Scammacca's stage technique was excellent, and the difficulties frequently encountered in amateur performances, such as scene stealing, under playing parts etc. were conspicuous by their absence. An "E" for excellent is due in this department.

Norman Lovendale was outstanding. With perfect timing and facial expressions, he brought down the house with his delivery. George Thorburn did a very creditable job as Joseph. His self assurance at covering the stage is noteworthy. He led the trio of cut-throats very well through their on-stage paces.

One of the most difficult parts to play successfully, and maintain in character was that of Felix Ducotel, expertly portrayed by Eric J. Paul. He did a very accurate job of interpreting the ineffectual head of the house. Emily Giles was most sympathetic in

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## Red Cross Volunteers



On hand last week for the opening of the new Metz Red Cross Center, was the complete volunteer staff. There should be no lack of service if the ladies are there most of the time.

## Fire Marshall Warns 21st Wing About Common Home Fire Hazards

Those of us who live on the economy, or in the trailer park, might be interested in the following advice from the Base Fire Marshall. As people living on the economy are held responsible for fire damage to the property they rent, a fire could be an expensive proposition. No one wants to spend two years pay, for repairs for a 250 or 300 year old house.

The fire department says that over 26% of all fires reported during the past ten years were caused by matches and smoking. The careless use of matches and cigarettes has cost untold millions of dollars worth of damage, and cost many lives. Be certain your match or cigarette is out before discarding it. It is advisable to have plenty of ash trays and fire proof containers available for the disposal of this type of waste.

Thousands have died as a result of smoking in bed. The gases formed from combustion can render a person unconscious before the heat can be felt. Victims of this type of disaster usually do not even know they are being burned to death.

Flammable liquids and vapors also cause a great percentage of deaths within the home. Almost everyone is careful in handling dynamite, yet the same person is often careless in using gasoline. This is strange, because ounce for ounce, gasoline vapor is just

as powerful an explosive as dynamite. Because gasoline vapor is almost twice as heavy as air, it will flow like water. It will creep down a flight of stairs from one part of the house to another. Anyone who uses gasoline for cleaning purposes within or around the home has the soul of a gambler, because the odds are against him from the start.

Paints, lacquers, and varnishes of certain types, also come under the classification of combustible agents. If you must have things of this type about the house, be sure to take extreme precautions.

Campers, hunters, and fishermen should be especially careful as to the disposal of campfires etc., as this is the time of year when there is a lot of dead brush left over from winter. This type of material is extremely combustible. In short, whenever, smoking, with paints, using electrical equipment or anything of such nature be careful, for, fire feeds on careless deeds.

## Combined Choral Group Chant Lenten Cantata At Military Bases

A combined American and Canadian choir group presented a highly successful Lenten Cantata for military personnel, their families and the local French citizenry recently. The Cantata, "Olivet to Calvary" was composed by J. H. Mauden.

Organizations composing the choir are: members of the 21st Fighter-Bomber Wing; 1st Canadian Air Division, Chateau de Mercy Air Station; 388th Fighter-Bomber Wing, Etain Air Base, 50th Fighter-Bomber Wing, Toul Rosieres Air Base; and members of an Army unit from the Toul Engineer Depot.

Director of the Cantata was Flight Sergeant Frank Hitcheus of the 1st Canadian Air Division. Mrs. Herbert Des Georges of Chambley was the organist. Soloists for the event included: Mrs. John Harrison, of the Canadian Division, soprano, Mrs. Bosch, Chambley Air Base, soprano, Harold Thain, Toul Rosieres Air Base, tenor and J.R. Harrison of the Canadian Division was the group's baritone.

The Choral presented the Cantata at the Station Theater of the Canadian Air Station on the afternoon of April 14. On Tuesday April 16, the Choir performed at the Toul Rosieres Air Base Chapel and on the following night at the Chambley Air Base Chapel.

The premier of the Group was at an International Reformation Day Service, held at the Temple Neuf in Metz last October. The Lenten Cantata was the first performance since their engagement at the international event. Plans are in the offing for a concert of religious music in the Fall.

## Many AF Cadets Boast Career Kin

Denver, Colo. (AFPS)—Fifty one cadets at the Air Force Academy are sons of career servicemen now on active duty.

Among the fathers are four major generals, three brigadier generals, twenty-three colonels, seven lieutenant colonels, one major and one captain. Twenty fathers are pilots—16 on active duty.

## In Compliance with 12th Air Force Policy

In conformance with USAF-PF and 12th Air Force policy, the 21st Fighter-Bomber Wing reorganized effective April 15, 1957. The basic concept of the reorganization is to relieve the Wing Commander of direct responsibility for support and house-keeping functions, by delegating func-



Col Ernest C. Pruett

tions and responsibilities to the Base Commander, Col Ernest C. Pruett.

The 21st Fighter-Bomber Group and the 21st Maint and Supply Group are reduced in authorizations to a one and one basis.

This necessitates the transfer of the 21st Supply Sq and the 21st Trans Sq to the jurisdiction of the 21st Air Base Group. The Maint Sq, TAC



Col Robert N. Baker

Hosp and the fighter squadrons remain under the jurisdiction of the Wing Commander, Col Robert N. Baker.

The reorganization and transfer of functions necessitated a rearrangement of physical facilities.

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## Fair'n Foul

## Air Police Deserve Credit

by Tee J. Eff

The Air Police parking lot division is to be congratulated for their work in re-doing the lots near the mess hall and the commissary. The mess hall lot is much nicer minus the PSP dividers and just as effective. There is no doubt in anyone's mind as to where you are intended to walk when shopping at the local grocery. There is a lot of orange paint there, very well placed.

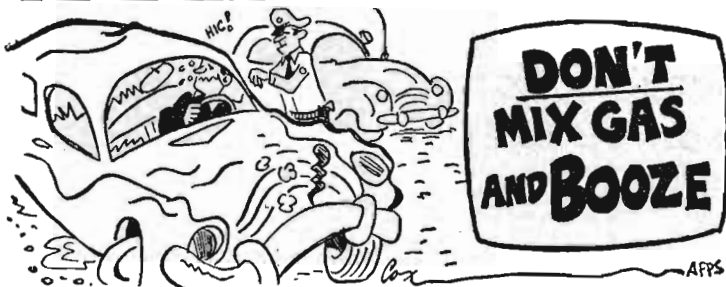
My prediction last issue that there would be casualties on the barbed wire around Wing was wrong. So far only one two inch leg gash has been reported. At last count there were two blades of grass showing which gives us a two to one ratio, that is considered good business practice all over the world.

The Tuileries in Paris has nothing on the Colonel Clougheries on Chambley. You cats just pipe the tulips and the daffodils pushing bravely through the concrete and coliche around the hospital.

Field Maint has joined the list of contributors to the base recreational facilities. Good rumor has it that the squadron is building a softball field behind the Chapel. The already mentioned golf course that AIO is sponsoring is now turning into a picnic area complete with fireplace, trees (yes I said trees) and tables. Sgt Vilk even promises three varieties of ants to please the taste of all picnickers.

High on my list of those to be thanked are the men of the Install Sq for the fine

Five little weenies boiling in a pot  
 And there's Mrs S asleep on the cot.  
 Time and the fires wait for no man,  
 Soon nothing but ashes remain in the pan.  
 No little weenies, nothing left to eat,  
 When Pa's TDY, the Snack Bar's a treat.



## Seven 'Little Joes'

USS Valley Forge (AFPS) — The uncontested four-most sailor in the Navy is Seaman John Santoro.

Santoro's service number is 444 44 44. He assured a questioner that he has never forgotten it, not even once.

work done on the Little League ball field. During both duty and off duty hours they have been working hard in getting the field leveled and planted. Now the fire department is keeping it watered till the grass gets a good start Thank you Sgt's Liggins and Ferguson.

These new shower rooms in the barracks are beautiful, at least compared to the old beat up stalls that were there. But no matter how nice they look there is just no substitute for hot water.

Sgt Fowle who runs the local AYA Center tells us that there is a fund raising carnival in the offing, possibly in connection with Armed Forces Day. That brings back memories of last year when the main attraction of the field was the dunk tank with the "wheels" as the very cooperative victims.

Speaking of wheels, have you heard the latest: He must be a wheel, he has a head like a hubcap.

Picked up a piece of paper at the NCO Club with this little ditty on it. Don't know who it is about but it is rather cute:

## Doolittle 'Raiders' Plan 15th Reunion

Washington (AFPS). — Lieutenant Gen. James H. "Jimmy" Doolittle's famed Tokyo Raiders, who dropped the first bombs on the Japanese mainland in WWII, will hold their 15th annual reunion at Englin AFB, Fla., April 18-20.

Of the original 80 fliers who took off from the aircraft carrier *Hornet* on April 18, 1942, for the raid, 60 are still living.

Some 40 members, including Doolittle, now retired, are expected to attend this year's reunion at the Florida base where the Raiders trained for the Tokyo mission early in 1942.

## Paris Hat Show



Maj Tarsitano provides the mood music, while Mrs. Ruth Hemm models one of the new Paris Hats. At the microphone is Mrs. Joyce Smith, narrator for the Officer's Wives Club fashion show, held at the Club recently.

## All AF Personnel Under 25 Slated for Driving Course

All Air Force automobile drivers under 25 years of age soon will be given 10 hours of classroom instruction under a plan developed in late March by Hq USAF.

The course is designed to correct driving deficiencies and improve knowledge, habits, skills and attitudes which research has shown produce most accidents.

Target for the new Ground Safety accident prevention education program are the more than 400,000 Air Force people under 25 who operate private motor vehicles and, like their civilian counterparts, have more accidents than any other group.

Instruction will be given at existing base facilities at minimum expense to the Air Force.

Each year more than 600 members of the AF are killed and more than 5,000 others are injured in automobile accidents, despite the intensive accident prevention measures conducted continuously in the AF.

These losses decrease vital manpower resources and cost the government almost \$25,000,000 annually.

## Officer's Wives Club Starts Clothing Drive For Needy Families

Spring flowers were abundant for the April Luncheon, sponsored by the 531st Wives. Baskets of garden flowers and wild flowers were won by Bonnie Casada, Jo Platte, Ann Lewis, Fern Hodges and Catherine Halbrook.

Newcomers to *Chambley* were introduced by Pat Taristano. Welcome to Betty Piliha and Gloria McKane.

It was announced that one of our needy French families has moved and another family will be sponsored in their place with the same amount of children, if possible.

Easter baskets will be distributed to all the children in the French families from the OWC.

A clothing drive is underway for these families. Children's clothing for either boys or girls will be fine. Clothing may be taken to either Pat Taristano's trailer or brought to the May Luncheon.

## Birth Announcement

Mrs. Richard Brown, wife of 1st Lt Richard Brown, 72nd Fighter-Bomber Sq, gave birth to a boy at the Chateauroux Air Base Hospital on April 5. The new family member weighed in at a husky 7 lbs., and was christened Richard Allison Jr.

## A Talk On Easter

For the Christian, Easter is the feast of the Resurrection commemorating the raising of Christ from the dead.

It was coincidence, perhaps, that the Resurrection took place at about the same time as two ancient feasts. One was the Roman celebration in honor of the Goddess of Spring, 'Easter'. The Resurrection also took place at about the time of the Jewish Passover, a feast commemorating the escape and deliverance of the chosen people from the bondage of Egypt.

Why does the date change each year? Since the Resurrection, which was commemorated by Easter, came about the time of the Jewish Passover and the Roman celebration of the goddess of Spring, the early Christians were in conflict as to when they should commemorate the Resurrection. The Council of Nicaea in Asia Minor, called by Pope Sylvester in the year of 325, settled on a date for Easter as follows; Easter shall be the first Sunday following the first full moon after the vernal equinox, or March's."

Some authorities give an excellent reason for the fixing of Easter as the Sunday after the full moon. Christians were accustomed to make pilgrimages to sacred places at this holy time of the year. Since they might travel several days and probably camp at night along the road, the brightness of the moon afforded them light for their journey and some protection from robbers that might be lurking by the wayside.

JOSEPH E. DAVY  
 Chaplain (Capt.) USAF

## Commander at Opening



Col Robert N. Baker, Wing Commander and Mr. Kirby K. Luten, Chambley Red Cross Field Director, "take ten" during ceremonies at the opening of the Metz Red Cross Center. Col Baker, cut the ribbon, officially opening the new establishment.



by Rhoda and Patt

Easter at your Service Club will feature a special coffee call at 9 am followed by an extra Protestant Church Service which will be held in the auditorium at 10 am. At this service there will be some fine singing performed by the men's choral group under the direction of Lt Verney of Hq Wg.

We are in hopes that a special Easter tour will go out just for the day and give some of you a chance to see the French countryside in its new spring attire. Keep an eye open for the posters we will have out announcing the tour and sign up date.

The dwindling down of our Service Club staff reminds me of the song about "The Ten Little Indians" where they all disappeared but one. When Pat leaves us this weekend to prepare for her wedding day, the latter part of this month, there will be but one little Indian left -- Pat will be in the vicinity so we hope she will drop in to see us real often and even come to call a game of Bingo or two.

Tomorrow night, at 8:30 pm there will be an unusual program for your enjoyment at the club. It is "An Evening of Dance," produced by the Jules Mackel dance troupe of Luxembourg. This program will be of special interest to the parents of children who are studying with Mr. Mackel. The program will consist of classical, folk and modern dances as well as the noted singer, Camillo Felgen, of Radio Luxembourg.

When in Metz don't forget to drop into the new American Red Cross Center, it is quite close to the R.T.O. We were at the opening and were very impressed with the building, facilities they have to offer, and above all the hos-

pitality of the four American girls who are on the staff. It is a good place to while away some time while waiting for a train or bus, take a look for yourself and see what we mean.

Starting with this issue and continuing on with the last issue of every month, we are going to feature the names of men and groups of men who have contributed their talent and time towards bettering the entertainment and use of leisure time for the men on the base.

This Month's Service Club Celebrities.

S Sgt Albert Williams -- 21st TAC Hosp., Winner of the base level talent contest and representative from Chambley at "The All France Talent Contest", in Phalsbourg. A/3C Paul Balducci -- 72nd Fighter-Bomber Sq. Another winner of the base level talent, who will represent Chambley at the All France Talent Contest. A/1C Ken Downey -- Hq Sq 21st Fighter-Bomber Wing. Organized and conducted a most successful Allied-American Scout dinner to which nearly fifty Boy Scouts attended. The Little Theatre Group known as "Stage 21" -- For producing a hit show "My Three Angels" and having a successful three night run here at Chambley. The Chambley Jazz Combo -- For playing at the premier dance at the A.R.C. center in Metz.

**New Chief Executive**



Mrs. Evelyn Giles, (left) outgoing president of the NCO Wives Club, hands over the gavel to Mrs. Grace Juedemann, newly elected chief executive of the group.

**A Farewell to Claire**



The Service Club staff turned out en masse to give Miss Claire Rangnow, former Club Director, a final Au Revoir. Claire has departed for Ramstein Air Base, where she will assume duties as Club Director there. On hand to say goodbye were (left to right). Miss Kahn, French assistant, Miss Rangnow, Miss Patt Finnegan, program director, Jess Luna, service club artist, 1st Lt Leon Campbell, Special Services Officer and Miss Rhoda Nute, new Club Director.

**Increased Job Knowledge Through ECI**

by Paul S. Strencejewski

There is a world-wide institution that everyone attends at one time or another, that is commonly known as the "School of Hard-Knocks." This is the school supported by experience and, we have found, the most painful of all institutions of learning. We, working at our respective jobs, rated daily on our know-how and productivity, have available to us courses designed to increase our job proficiency.

These are the courses offered by the United States Air Force Institute of Technology, Extension Course Institute (ECI), prepared by staff-instructors of the Armed Services Tech Schools and pre-conceived to increase the know-how which will enable our superiors to measure our proficiency.

In taking a course through the Extension Course Institute our chances for promotion are more than doubled a completed course means we obtain additional points on the promotion system. Due to the high standard of material covered, completion of one of these courses is considered equally with completion of a tech-school and yet completion of a course through ECI does not disqualify you for assignment to a resident Tech-School but would, at the time of attendance to a resident school enable you to grasp the material more easily.

These course further enable you to brush up on the technical knowledge and terminology required for the taking of AFQT tests. Later on the texts of the course can be used as a permanent reference library.

Reserve Officers can fulfill their yearly retirement and promotion credits by completing ECI courses.

These courses are not easy, but offer you a challenge since you would be expected to take the first course in your own career field. The tests, however, for each volume are open book tests, and enable you to review the material

covered if it has not been previously understood.

You are not limited to courses within your own career field but you may take courses simply to promote a hobby, cross-train into another career-field or simply because you wish to acquire additional knowledge. For example: courses are available in Photography, Auto Mechanics, Radio, Electronics, Chaplain and legal fields, to mention but a few. You improve your chances to change your AFSC by taking a course in your newly chosen field.

Supervisors take very special notice of this program since it is designed to further proficiency. Encouragement by an Officer or NCO to the airman or officer to take ECI courses may well result in that increase of productivity so earnestly sought to improve your outfit's rating.

Let us not, in the future, be wholly dependent upon the "School of Hard Knocks" but let us aid it through ECI. Contact your Education Center at phone No. 145, or better yet, drop in and see us in the last pre-fab on "Prefab-row" right across from the mess hall.

**Chambley Cub Scouts Meet in Service Club**

Chambley's Cub Scouts held a pack meeting in the Service Club recently. Each den was well represented and the attendance prize was captured by Den 4. The meeting which opened at 7 pm, saw the Cub Scout leaders and parents discussing plans for next month's program. The theme decided upon for the coming month's activity will be the "Swiss Family Robinson."

The privilege of opening the meeting was given to Den 4. This was awarded to the den because it won last month's honor pennant.

Following the opening Capt Armstrong entertained all present with sketches of Indians and Indian Craft.

Cub Scout Master, M Sgt Joseph Inman and Community Commissioner A/1C Ken Downey, conducted an award ceremony at which, Den 1 won the honor pennant for their fine display of Indian Craft and Pottery. After the meeting adjourned refreshments were served.

**Model B-36 Teaches AF Crash Techniques**

Ft. Worth, Texas (AFPS) -- Air Force crews are learning how to fly through electrical storms, with one or more engines in flames, and crash-land without ever leaving the ground.

The techniques are part of the training program at nearby Carswell AFB, owner of one of three B-36 flight simulators in existence.

The simulator is used to find out how well pilots and engineers respond to emergencies that could arise while they are flying real B-36's.

The flight deck is designed for realism. Engines roar, lightning flashes and tires screech on the runway when the plane "lands."

And when a pilot crashes in the simulator, everyone gets up and walks away.

**Klink a Cop**

Hamilton AFB, Calif. (AFPS) -- A new member of the Air Police force here is T Sgt. Joseph C. Klink.

**LUNATICS**



## Des Lauriers pour Base Supply

Au cours d'une cérémonie très simple au Quartier Général, le Colonel Baker a remis, vendredi dernier, un certificat d'ancienneté à Mr Jan F. Westerbeek. Mr Westerbeek est, en effet, un vétéran, puisqu'il compte exactement dix ans de service pour les forces alliées, et c'est cette fidélité à l'Air Force autant que la somme d'expérience qu'elle représente qui étaient récompensées par ce diplôme.

Le premier contact de Mr. Westerbeek avec l'US Army eut lieu en 1944, quand, officier de réserve de l'armée royale hollandaise, il fut détaché en qualité d'interprète à la 9<sup>e</sup> Armée américaine, qu'il suivit dans sa marche jusqu'au Rhin et en Allemagne.

C'est le 1<sup>er</sup> mars 1947 qu'il débute à Maastricht avec le Quartermaster, AGRC, service discours depuis, qui avait pour mission de rechercher les sépultures des GI's et d'organiser leur groupement ou leur retour aux Etats-Unis. Interprète, puis chargé de la recherche des tombes isolées, il est mis à la tête d'une section qui enregistre tous les cimetières de France et d'Afrique du Nord où reposent des GI's.

En novembre 1951, il arrive à Châteauroux et commence à travailler dans le « Supply field », qu'il n'a pas quitté depuis. Envoyé en mission à Metz, il y trouve un énorme parc de matériel qui y avait été installé pour approvisionner les bases futures que nous connaissons aujourd'hui.

Il reste à Metz jusqu'en décembre 1953, où, de retour à Châteauroux, il est nommé Supply Officer à AIO. C'est ce poste qu'il quitte le 5 octobre 1954 pour venir à Chambley, en qualité d'Assistant administratif du Base Supply Officer, position qu'il occupe encore aujourd'hui à la satisfaction de Cpt Waxman.

Ses responsabilités sont grandes : en raison de son expérience, il est celui à qui on demande la solution dans les cas difficiles, il administre le personnel civil, il donne même des cours de formation professionnelle à ses administrés, enfin il expédie personnellement les rapports les plus importants.

Un passé long et un dossier aussi net nous donnent la mesure de ce qu'on peut atteindre par la stabilité, l'activité réfléchie et l'ouverture d'esprit. C'est à ces qualités que le Commandant de la base a rendu hommage quand, après quelques questions techniques sur le Supply, il a remercié Mr. Westerbeek et lui a souhaité un avenir aussi brillant que le passé qu'il venait d'honorer.

### Bureau du Personnel Civil

## Logement

Echangerais appartement 4 pièces, cuisine et dépendances, à Longeville-lès-Metz (3<sup>e</sup> étage), contre deux pièces, cuisine, salle de bains, à Metz ou banlieue, quartier indifférent. Pour tous renseignements appeler 230.

## Notre Page

Que se passe-t-il ? « LWR » signifie-t-il maintenant « Maison de retraite des muets locaux » ? Dans nos numéros du 8 et du 23 février, un appel était fait à tous : Ecrivons cette page française tous ensemble, envoyez-nous votre copie, dites-nous les sujets qui vous intéressent.

Or, nous avons reçu très peu de contributions à ce jour. Cela veut-il dire que cette page est parfaite ? Nous ne le croyons pas, car, en ce cas, nous aurions des amateurs qui aimeraient y voir leur nom. Cela veut-il dire qu'elle est tellement mauvaise ? En ce cas, il faut la sauver !

Nous avons cependant la fierté de publier aujourd'hui un article d'une de nos collègues : Mme Humphries. Suivons cet exemple, le départ est donné.

Mesdames et Mesdemoiselles les secrétaires, à vos machines. Messieurs du Mess ou d'AIO, essayez et vous vérifierez qu'une feuille blanche est plus facile à maîtriser qu'une salle encombrée de tables et de chaises ou qu'un circuit électrique aux caprices imprévus.

Articles généraux, études, chroniques littéraires ou cinématographiques, textes gais et sujets techniques, vers et prose seront bien accueillis. Allons ! un petit effort ! Sortons un peu de notre « job description », c'est tellement plus agréable ! Ecrivons NOTRE page !

### Volley

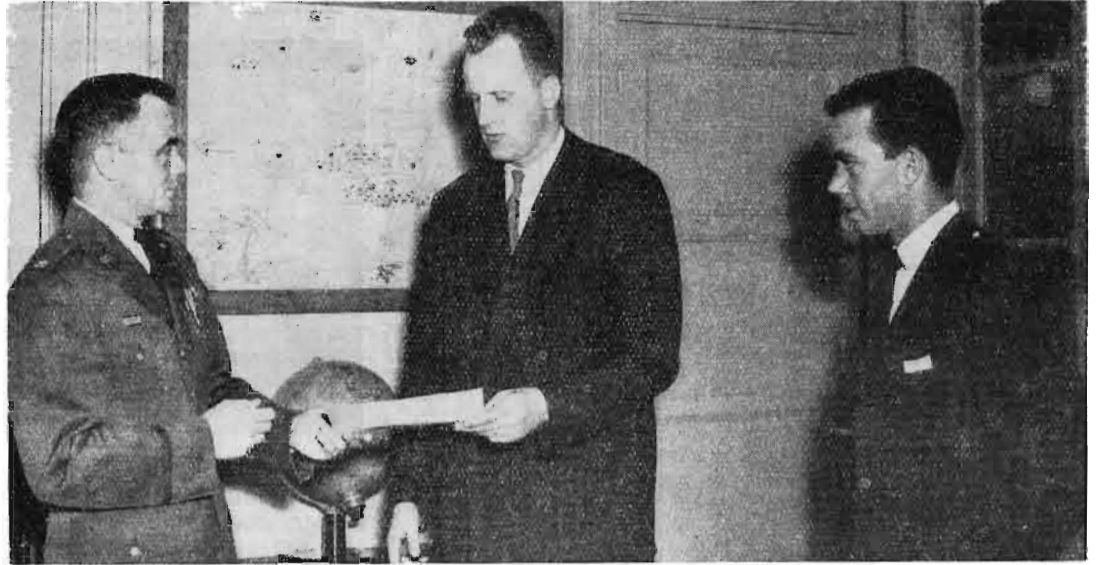
L'équipe de Volley va se former, les adhésions arrivent. Mais, avant de passer aux actes, il manque encore quelques noms pour pouvoir former une équipe complète. Téléphonnez au CPO, les explications auront lieu sur le pré.

### Promotions

De Mme Prudhon à Air Police, Mme Potter, M. Ferret, M. Laporte, M. Weber, à AIO. De Mlle Zimmer, Mlle Sarrazin, à Supply, M. Simony, à Vehicle Maint, Mlles Augustin et Hanriot, à Communications, et de M. Bouqueau, à Commercial Transportation.

Félicitations à tous les heureux promus.

Bureau du Personnel.



Le Colonel Baker remet le diplôme à M. Westerbeek en présence de M. Chemssy.

## Une page du Statut : Congés de maladie

De nombreuses questions nous ont été posées sur les congés de maladie et il nous a été donné de remarquer que certains n'en connaissent même pas l'existence. Aussi nous semble-t-il opportun de donner quelques éclaircissements sur ce sujet.

Précisons tout de suite que tous y ont droit, mensuels ou horaires. Voyons dans quelles conditions :

**Personnel mensuel non « cadre » et personnel horaire, total par an : 1 mois à plein salaire après 2 années d'emploi, 2 mois après 5 ans. Personnel « cadre », total par an : 1 mois à plein salaire et 1 mois à demi-salaire après 1 an d'emploi, 2 mois et 2 mois après 2 ans, 3 mois et 3 mois après 3 ans.**

Qu'entend-on par plein salaire ? Un employé en congé de maladie reçoit de la Sécurité Sociale des indemnités journalières équivalentes à environ 45 % de son salaire normal. Le terme plein salaire signifie que dans les conditions données plus haut, vous recevez de l'Intendance un complément à ces indemnités qui vous fait atteindre votre salaire normal en période de travail.

De la même manière, « demi-salaire » signifie la moitié du complément. Enfin signalons que la période considérée pour ces paiements ne commence qu'avec le sixième jour ouvrable de maladie. Une indisposition de moins de six jours ne donne donc droit à aucun remboursement. Cependant, les cadres peuvent prétendre, en soumettant une demande, au remboursement dès le premier jour.

Il est évident que le remboursement ne peut être calculé par l'Intendance que sur présentation d'une copie du décompte des versements de la S.S. Ne vous attendez donc pas à un remboursement automatique, il faut tout d'abord fournir cette pièce. Toutes ces dispositions sont applicables en cas d'absence pour accident du travail ou congé de maternité.

Rappelons encore que ces avantages ne sont pas réservés au personnel cadre ou mensuel ; dans le cadre d'une action constante et plus vaste, l'étape que constitue la ré-

cente conquête de ces nouveaux avantages sociaux a été étendue à toutes les catégories du personnel des Forces Alliées.

Je terminerai en vous demandant encore, on ne le répètera jamais assez, de prévenir immédiatement votre chef de service en cas d'absence. Nous sommes au XX<sup>e</sup> siècle, il y a le courrier, le téléphone, les collègues, au total bien des moyens de prévenir et aucune excuse si vous ne le faites pas. C'est d'ailleurs un acte de la politesse la plus élémentaire et cela rend d'autant plus enrageant le fait, trop fréquent, de voir des employés revenir de congé de maladie pour encourir des sanctions et parfois même le licenciement pour cette raison.

L'Intendance nous communique en dernière minute : les indemnités de congés de naissance qui ont été versées à compter du 1<sup>er</sup> janvier 1957 sont assujetties à la surtaxe progressive et devront être déclarées au fisc par les bénéficiaires.

### Programme de Suggestions

Et voici les dernières nouvelles du Programme, classé par sections :

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Nous espérons annoncer bientôt des récompenses, mais il faut encore un effort. Certaines grosses sections ne font pas beaucoup parler d'elles, réveillons-nous à AIO et dans les mess-halls ! D'autres pas du tout, que se passe-t-il à Communications et au Commissary ? Allons ! entrons tous dans le concours !

## Pour vous, nouveaux livres à la 'Library'

par Jeannine HUMPHRIES

Nous tenons à rappeler à tous nos amis Français de la base que la «library» leur est ouverte chaque jour de la semaine, de 10 à 22 heures, et de 13 à 22 heures les samedis et dimanches.

Nous voudrions faire savoir à tous nos fervents lecteurs et à ceux qui pourront le devenir, que nous venons de recevoir 41 nouveaux livres, des meilleurs auteurs américains, traduits en français. Ces livres peuvent vous être prêtés pour 15 jours sans aucune indemnité de votre part, sur simple demande, et contre une carte à remplir pour les nouveaux lecteurs. N'oubliez pas que ces livres sont mis en circulation à votre intention.

Permettez-nous de mentionner quelques noms d'auteurs comme : Louis Bromfield, T.S. Eliot, Pearl Buck, John Dos Passos, James Farrel et William Faulkner. Nous voudrions attirer votre attention sur deux livres intéressants : « L'histoire de ma vie » d'Helen Keller, cette femme merveilleuse qui, tout en étant sourde, muette, aveugle, pouvait quand même reconnaître le lilas blanc du lilas mauve. Et aussi un livre, si vous voulez vous documenter sur l'Amérique, qu'André Maurois a traduit pour vous : « L'Histoire des Etats-Unis de 1492 à 1946 ».

Sachez que vous êtes tous les bienvenus.

### Ils s'en vont...

Michel Léveillard du POL nous a quitté. Superviseur français de la section, il était avec nous depuis une année, durant laquelle il était allé faire « un voyage en Algérie ».

Il part occuper un poste d'Opérateur de Tour de Contrôle à Dreux. Nos plus vives félicitations.

# Spang's 83rd ARS Secures Chambley Vicinity

The sight of a helicopter hovering overhead is not an unusual one these days. Time was, however, when the appearance of one of these birds caused quite a stir. Everyone dropped what he was doing and ran to watch it go through its paces. Insofar as we of this Force called Air are concerned, the "Whirly-bird" has changed from a curiosity, to an accepted mode of transportation.

This is surprising when one considers that there are relatively few helicopters in operation, compared to the number of conventional aircraft in use throughout the globe.

Due to the vast and consistent expansion of the Air Force following World War II, it was apparent that some type of rescue unit on a world-wide scale would be necessary. Since the bulk of passengers and cargo was transported by MATS, it seemed logical that MATS should take the responsibility for the development of this service. The result of this concept was the birth of the Air Rescue Service, which is functioning, today, under the guidance of the Military Air Transport System.

A unit from Spandhalem Air Base, Germany, the 83rd Air Rescue Service, is the outfit that has been given the chore of "mothering" not only Chambley's aircraft but also aircraft from Etain, Toul, Chaumont and a few Canadian organizations in case they should get in a tight spot.

Each crew and their bird remain at Chambley for a week at a time, on a continual alert basis. After a week at CAB, they either go to Landstuhl Air Base, Germany for a tour of duty or re-

turn to Spang for a week. This rotation of assignments enables a crew to be at its home station at least one week out of the month.

Nonetheless, helicopters are not the only type of aircraft used by the men of these lifesaving units. The type of plane employed depends upon the mission at hand. For example, if the mission calls for a long over water search, an amphibious type plane is used, whereas a crash in mountainous terrain demands the maneuverability of a helicopter.

The nature of the work done by the 83rd ARS, needless to say, necessitates a high degree of readiness. Accidents never occur according to schedule. Therefore, there is no possible method by which the rescue team can be advised in advance of the impending crash. The only practical alternative remaining is to be ready for anything at any time.

Evident of the 83rd's proficient state of preparedness was manifested recently when they were called upon to assist in the search of a pilot whose T33 had crashed south of Toul Rosieres Air Base.

Not much time had elapsed when the crew sighted a parachute in a patch of woods approximately 18 nautical miles south of Toul. Three minutes later they were able to set down in a wooded area adjacent to the crash site.

The 83rd crew proceeded into the woods with a litter and a medical kit. Shortly thereafter they found one of the pilots, a Captain from Toul's 50th Fighter-Bomber Wing, laying under a tree, suffering from a leg injury.

The injured leg was immediately splinted and the man was taken to the copter. At this time the crew was informed by French civilians in the area that the other pilot

had ejected without injury and was being returned to Toul by car. They then took off for Toul where the pilot was turned over to the base hospital.

This type of operation is far from unusual for the men of the 83rd, rather the polar opposite would be more appropriate. A function such as this leaves no room for a careless attitude; it is imperative that each man donate his best. The irregular hours makes this no simple task, the man who shuns overtime is hardly of any value in an organization where minutes can mean lives.

The fact that there are men of this calibre, on the job at all times, means much to the peace of mind of the men who fly. It displays, that should they get in trouble, men of this typical ARS Unit will be near to locate them and bring them home safely.

## Emergency Mission



A typical emergency mission of the 83rd ARS, is this injured pilot being evacuated to a hospital in Germany after his plane crashed on take-off.

## The King and I, Here Sunday, Monday

Saturday, April 20

**DISTANT DRUMS**, with Gary Cooper and Mari Aldon. "Distant Drums" is the adventure story of swamp fighters who turned the tide of the savage Seminole Indian War in Florida in the early 19th Century. An exciting film for the family to enjoy.

Sunday-Monday, April 21-22

**THE KING AND I**, with Deborah Kerr, Yul Brynner and Rita Moreno. Based on the best-seller "Anna and the King of Siam" and the highly successful Broadway play, this is the enchanting story of a widowed Victorian governess, who, with her young son, goes to Siam to educate the many children of the King in the ways of the Western world. Siam, with its golden temples and opulent palaces, comes to life in sets of breathtaking splendor.

Rodgers and Hammerstein, who wrote the music for this extravaganza, number the tunes among their finest. Who doesn't know "We Kiss in a Shadow"; "I Whistle a Happy Tune"; "Hello Young Lovers"; "Shall We Dance" and "Getting to know you"? And to these humable songs are staged a bevy of fascinating dances.

Yul Brynner, who was considered perfect as the King in the stage production, brings his role to the screen in like perfection. Deborah Kerr's performance as "Anna" is acclaimed as equally remarkable. As a matter of fact, the entire cast is exceptionally well-chosen. A topflight musical, The King and I, is highly recommended for the whole family.

Tuesday, April 23

**CHA-CHA-CHA-BOOM**, with Perez Prado, Mary Kaye Trio, Manny Lopez and Orchestra. A talent scout discovers two dancers and an orchestra in Cuba, but when he brings them to New York, he runs into financial trouble. With his girl friends' help, he stages a dance spectacle that puts him on his feet again. Lots of Latin-American music for adults and young people.

Wednesday, April 24

**PRIVATE'S PROGRESS**, with Richard Attenborough, Ian Carmichael and Dennis Price. An Oxford student drafted into the British Army progresses fundlingly through basic training, a goldbricking outfit, and having studied Japanese, a secret mission to Germany. Satire suited to adults and youth.

Thursday-Friday, April 25-26

**LUST FOR LIFE**, with Kirk Douglas, Anthony Quinn and Pamela Brown. The turbulence in the life and art of Vincent Van Gogh is caught here in all its color, anguish, compassion and violence; his growth as a painter, his tragic life and his eventual madness are portrayed in this excellent screen biography. Recommended for adults and youths.

Saturday, April 27

**QUINCANNON, FRONTIER SCOUT**, with Tony Martin, Peggie Castle and John Bromfield. An ex-Army captain is employed by the Army to travel through dangerous country to recover ri-

fles stolen by the Indians. His success in discovering the traitor leads to the winning of his lady-love. Family-type Western.

Sunday-Monday, April 28-29

**HIGH SOCIETY**, with Grace Kelly, Bing Crosby and Frank Sinatra. No synopsis available.

Tuesday, April 30

**RAW EDGE**, with Rory Calhoun, Yvonne DeCarlo and Mara Corday. The boss of a Western town has decreed that a widow goes to the first man who claims her. He and his henchmen are finally taken to task by an avenging Texas gunman. For adults.

Wednesday, May 1

**THE BEAST OF HOLLOW MOUNTAIN**, with Guy Madison and Patricia Medina. A prehistoric monster is discovered on a mountain in Mexico, long believed to be haunted, cursed or inhumanly inhabited due to the unexplained disappearance of cattle and people in the region. A brave young rancher outwits the beast.

Thursday-Friday, May 2-3

**DAVY CROCKET AND THE RIVER PIRATES**, with Fess Parker and Buddy Ebsen. Davy Crocket and his life-long friend bring the results of a years fur trapping to market and exterminate some hi-jackers who are white men disguised as Indians. This Disney production is family fare.

## Copter Crew at CAB



Three of the men of the 83rd Air Rescue Sq, Spangdhalem Air Base, Germany, who serve at Chambley from time to time are, (left to right) A/2C Bill Hughes, engineer and medical technician, 1st Lt Edward Hamilton and 1st Lt Lloyd E. Forcum, helicopter pilots.

# Desert Rat Diamond Squad In Shape for '57 Season; Coach, Finds Much Potential

Among the smells which are floating in their air around Chambley right now there is one which really stands out. The odor of Sloan's Liniment has been getting stronger all the time. This, coupled with off-hand remarks about sliders, knucklers, pitch-outs, and general concern over sore arms, skin lost in sliding, and the like, gives definite evidence that the Chambley Desert Rats are once again in the process of fielding a diamond squad. A little sleuthing brought forth the following statement from S Sgt Cleveland team manager.

*"A pretty solid choice for one catcher's slot is Jerry Emerson from the Air Police Squadron, he has a good arm and hits well. Peewee Hunt, Supply Squadron, and Harry Dever, Transportation Squadron are fighting it out for the remaining opening. It looks like Peahead Emers is a cinch on first base, with big Earl Redman backing him up. At second base, it's a tough battle between Doc Bosch of medical fame, and Money Murray from the Supply Squadron. Both are good glove men, but it looks like Doc may have the edge in hitting.*

Another good fight at Short-stop is in the making, with Pablo Cortez and Chuck Williams contending. Pablo was with the 456 club, and Williams is a newcomer. However, Pablo may have the advantage with more experience. Williams is a cinch for infield utility, as he can play any position. Third base is held by Robby Robitaille, HQ ABGp, a stellar ball-hawk with a terrific arm. The addition of Robby makes the infield tight and well balanced.

*A holdover from the 1956 club, Cantrell Brown, takes over left field. As fine a ball player as any in USAFE, he runs, hits, and throws like a demon, and does it consistently. He can also pitch if needed, and has a confusing change of pace.*

Center field is occupied by Robin Nierste, another strong arm, and he runs like an antelope. In right field is Howie Eaton. Here is the potential long ball hitter of the club.

*The pitching staff looks better than any so far at CAB. Bud Whitehead is the only holdover from the 1956 team.*

*Whitey is really fast; batters say he throws aspirin tablets.*

Chuck Grimsly from the medics looks good. Chuck played Class B ball, and had a trial in the Pacific Coast League. Clevell Beck, Wing HQ, with experience in AF world wide competition looks like a real winner. Mike Hamadek from the Install Sq. is another fast boy with a good curve.

*The "Old Pro" of the club is Hoppy Hopkins, HQ SQ ABGp. Hoppy has had real pro experience with Dallas, of the Class AA Texas League. Utility outfielder choice is Terry Harper, Install Sq. Terry is unorthodox at the plate, but effective. He also excels in the field. All in all this is definitely the club to beat in the France Eastern conference."*

Well there it is. The squad is working hard, the results according to the manager are good. Now it's up to us. Let's get behind them and give some support to the "Rats" for the coming season. Base ball is fun, but its a lot more fun when the people you are representing are there to back you up. Bring the wives, kids and friends to the next game.

### 'My Three Angels'

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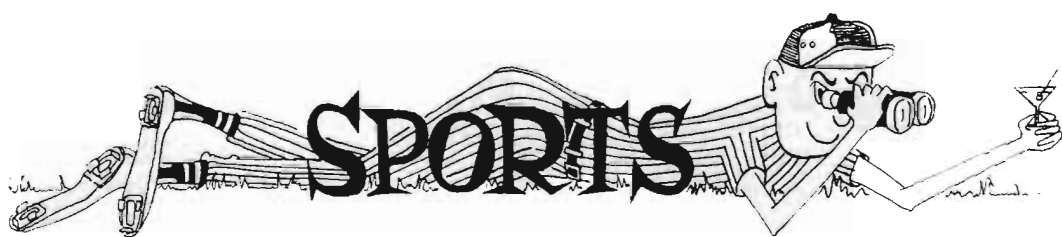
her portrayal of the understanding, yet at the same time not understanding mother. Jeanne Steis is to be commended for her warm portrayal of the daughter. In fact she played it so well that it was difficult to realize that english is not her native language.

We wish the "Stage 21" group continued success in their future presentations.

### School Soccer Squad



Chambley's Dependent School soccer team, hung up their cleats recently after a mediocre season. The boys coached by Mrs. James T. Moore, school teacher, are all in agreement that they have learned much through experience after playing various French and American soccer teams in the area.



## '57 AFPS ALL-STARS, A COACH'S DREAM!!



LED BY CAT-LIKE, 6'3" SIHUGO GREEN, FORMER DUQUESNE GREAT, WHO WAS THE BIG GUN FOR THE POWERFUL, UNDEFEATED FT. DIX BURROS...

THE ANSWER TO ANY COACH'S PRAYER-PRO OR COLLEGE-THIS YEAR'S AFPS ALL-STAR QUINTET IS A REAL DREAM-TEAM... ALL FIVE OF THE LADS ARE FORMER ALL-AMERICANS.....

MUST BE DREAMIN'!

I HAVE A SNEAKING SUSPICION I'VE BEEN SWEEBED!!

THE SQUAD, WHICH WAS DOMINATED BY THE ARMY (FOUR), FAILED TO NAME A NAVY CASER....

### First Team

- Sihugo Green ... Ft. Dix, N. J.
- Tom Gola ... Ft. Monmouth, N. J.
- K. C. Jones ... Ft. Leonard Wood, Mo.
- Jesse Arnelle ... Mitchel AFB, N. Y.
- Al Ferrari ... Ft. Dix, N. J.

### Second Team

- Darrell Floyd ... Ft. Jackson, S. C.
- Bob Kessler ... Pensacola NAS, Fla.
- Dick Boushka ... Kirtland AFB, N. M.
- Julius McCoy ... Ft. Knox, Ky.
- Ralph Beard ... Camp Zama, Japan

### Base School Children Treated to Train Ride

by Carol McCutchan

The second grade pupils of Mr. Moore and Miss Turner went on a field trip to Metz, April 4th for the purpose of a French train ride. They took a bus to Metz and caught it again after the train ride to Noveant.

The bus stopped at Headquarters and picked up a French interpreter. It arrived in Metz at the train station at 11 am, one hour after leaving Chambley. At the station the children met the manager of the station and his direct assistant.

The manager gave the interpreter some postcards and leaflets to give the children. He told the interpreter about the importance of the station, and she told the children. Then each child bought his own ticket.

Soon the train arrived and the children boarded. There were two stops between Metz and Noveant, where the children got off. They were Arsmoselle and Ancy-Moselle. They arrived in Noveant about 12:50 pm.

## The World Of Sports

By FRED THORNBERRY, JOC, USN

**Operation Charly Horse...** Civic clubs in Lincoln, Neb., are furnishing day rooms at Lincoln AFB. To help with project funds, the base put together a "Clumsy Colonels" basketball team to play the "Corny Coaches," athletic staff members at the University of Nebraska. Everyone had a good time, 3,000 fans paid to get in, and the Coaches won it, 38-34.

**Greetings...** The Army has trumped an ace of the Hollywood Stars (Pacific Coast League) by inducting power swatter Moe Panko. Detroit Tigers may lose last year's 20-game winner, Billy Hoelt, via the same route. Billy has taken his pre-induction physical, but the portsider was deferred once before for an old football injury.

While they were at it, the Army de-notorized racing drivers Bill Dodge and Charlie King and stationed them at Ft. Carson, Colo., where they pick 'em up and lay 'em down--infantry style--at four plus mph.

**Hail and Farewell...** The Olympic heavyweight boxing champion, 1st Lt. Pete Rademacher, has been released from active duty at Ft. Benning Ga. Pete, a reserve officer, had been in the Army 33 months... Milwaukee Braves welcomed infielder Mel Roach back from a two-year hitch in the Army.

**Splinter Mates...** The woodenhead partner of Paul Winchell, Jerry Mahoney, who will appear on NBC-TV's "Salute to Baseball" in mid-April, claims to be a cousin of Woody Mahoney. Woody, Jerry points out, is Mickey Mantles favorite bat--"Mickey may do the swinging, but it's Woody's influence that carries the ball over the fence," Jerry says. Jerry also has an



Mel Roach

Uncle Oakley, who became a seat in Yankee Stadium.