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Franco-American Ceremonies Draw Crowd

Franco-American Day at the Metz Trade Fair on Wednesday, October 9 was a huge success as thousands of interested spectators watched the performance of the honor guards from Chambley and Colin Caeserne at the official opening ceremonies and listened to two fine band concerts by the 12th Air Force Band and the Verdun Army Band.

At 1500 hours the ceremonies started when the honor guards marched in with the Verdun Army Band. The band played several marches and then played the French and American National Anthems as members of the honor guards raised the American Flag.

At this time officials of the Fair conducted the visiting

dignitaries of nearby towns and military installations on a tour of the Fair's exhibits which included Chambley's Open Skies Exhibit.

After the tour the guests were served a light lunch at a reception which was held at 1700 hours.

Chambley was represented at the Fair by Col Donavan F. Smith, Deputy Wing Commander, and Col Neal E. Guy, Deputy Base Commander.

According to a spokesman for the base, credit for Chambley's fine exhibit must be shared among many base personnel who are too numerous to be named individually.

Among these people are Col Neal E. Guy, who handled the overall planning for the

Chambley participation in the Fair; Madame Genevieve Hartman, Civilian Consultant, who did much of the liaison work between the base and the Fair officials; T/Sgt Frank Costello, A/IC Eric Paul, and Monsieur Jan Hartman, who tended the Chambley exhibit throughout the Fair; and personnel of Air Installations Squadron, who erected the base's display.

Credit must also be given to Mr James McDonald of USIS at Strasbourg who donated much of the materials used in the exhibit and helped to plan it, and also to the 10th Tactical Reconnaissance Wing at Spangdahlem, Germany and Phalsbourg, France, who contributed the many aerial photos.



Members of the Air Force and Army Color Guards which participated in the opening ceremonies of Franco-American Day at the Metz Trade Fair on October 9, raise the American Flag while the Verdun Army Band plays the American and French National Anthems. PHOTO BY DAMM

AACS "Saves" Aircraft

by S/Sgt Jerry Tyring

"AIRCRAFT EMERGENCY" has different meanings to various people: to the observer its phrase is one of interest

and more or less just plain curiosity, to the pilot of the aircraft in trouble it means fast and accurate decisions and the instilled afterthought of possible disaster.

Meanwhile, to the air traffic controllers on the ground, there is but one tangent of thought and action — TO SAVE A LIFE OR LIVES and an aircraft.

Let's look into these controlling agencies and see for ourselves these Air Traffic Controllers in action while saving two lives and a T-33 jet aircraft.

We are in Moselle Control, the phone rings, S/Sgt Frederick D. Valentine picks it up and listens. The voice on the other end is from Spangdahlem Approach Control. The words emitted are concerning a T-33 jet aircraft south-west of Bittburg, low on fuel and requesting landing at Chambley due to bad weather in his immediate flight area.

Sgt Valentine calls the aircraft on the emergency frequency. No reply. He observes an emergency indication on his radar screen 27 miles east northeast of Metz. Another call is radioed and still no reply.

In a desperate attempt to establish a means of contact with the aircraft, Valentine transmits "in the blind" "if you hear me squawk three". The emergency indication on the scope switches to three and a means of communicating with the pilot is established.

The aircraft is given a heading of 270 degrees and descends to 10,000 feet, with the pilot still unable to transmit to anyone.

The T-33 is tracked to a position about 10 miles southeast of Chambley by Moselle Control and is advised to attempt contact with Chambley GCA. Meanwhile GCA is observing the aircraft on their scopes. Contact by radio can not be

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McElroy Sworn In New Family ID Cards Being Issued

Neil H. McElroy, successor to Charles E. Wilson as Defense Secretary, was sworn in to his new post on October 9.

The swearing in ceremony at the White House was followed by McElroy's first press conference as Defense Secretary. He affirmed his belief that the US development program on rockets is well along.

Commenting on his recent defense establishment inspection trip and briefings, Secretary McElroy stated: "While I have been impressed by their increasingly high cost, I have also been awed by the vastly greater wallop possessed by today's plane, missile and ship and our streamlined ground forces, as compared with their counterparts of yesterday."

The Pass and Registration Section of the 21st Air Police Sq has announced the implementation of new ID cards for all Chambley dependent personnel. The change went into effect on September 26th, 1957 and will be fully established by December 31st, 1957.

S/Sgt Raymond D. Stuster, NCOIC of the Pass & ID Section urges all dependents to effect this change without further delay. Your promptness and cooperation in this undertaking will be fully appreciated.

The revised card has added a patronage and medical facility section. The patronage section will be your authori-

zation for the theater, commissary and will also note the limits of your base exchange privileges.

Do not throw away the commissary cards you are holding now, this card will not be used in lieu of the present commissary card in Twelfth Air Force. Entry to the base exchange will be denied dependents who do not have possession of the new ID card, they must also be presented upon request at the base hospital.

Christmas Mail Deadline Set

Washington (AFPS). — Christmas packages for Armed Forces members overseas should be mailed between Nov. 1 and 20 to assure arrival for the holiday season, according to the Defense Department.

Gifts for overseas shipment must be packed securely in cartons of wood, metal or double-faced corrugated cardboard. Fragile articles must be wrapped in at least two inches of tightly packed shredded paper or excelsior.

The size of parcels is limited to 100 inches in total length and girth. Weight limitations are 50 pounds to APOs and FPOs in Great Britain, and 70 pounds to other points.

Cigarettes, tobacco and coffee may not be sent to some overseas areas, and matches, lighter fluid and other inflammable items are prohibited.

Top Name Singer To Be Featured At Service Club

Miss Gwen Bari, talented and charming chanteuse, will appear at the Chambley Service Club at 200 hours on October 29. She is well known



in the foremost hotels and supper clubs of the country for her intimate personalized song stylings, and outstanding interpretations on the piano, both classical and popular.

On the west coast, where she now resides, Miss Bari is engaged in recording work at Warner Brothers, M.G.M., Paramount and 20th Century Fox Film Studios. She is also the leader of a vocal group known as the Gwen Bari Trio, which is active in television, radio, and pictures.

Among her many radio and TV appearances were the Ina Ray Hutton radio show, and the Red Skelton TV show. The Gwen Bari Trio recorded her arrangement of "The Yodel Waltz" with Tex Beneke's orchestra on an M.G.M. label.



Captain Sentenac, French Liaison Officer for Chambley, Lt Colonel Memin, Chief of the Air Base Section, Central Liaison Mission in Paris, Col Robert N. Baker, Commander 21st Fighter Bomber Wing, Mr. Michel Delbard, Chief of the Central Liaison Mission in Paris are pictured from left to right during a recent tour of Chambley Air Base.

Mr. Delbard is in charge of the liaison mission for all of the NATO forces in France. This has to do primarily with all relations between French Nationals and Allied Forces in France. At present Mr. Delbard is making an extensive tour of all bases in France in the interests of NATO.

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UN Earns Big Mark On Calendar

This year, UN Day rates a bigger-than-ever mark on your calendar.

It deserves special note by any member of the Armed Forces because in the past twelve months the United Nations has, in the words of President Eisenhower, "been instrumental in preventing open conflict between nations".

Although no military action was taken against the Soviet Union for its brutal crushing of the Hungarian's fight for freedom, much was done by the UN. It brought emergency relief to the people of Budapest. It helped nearly 200,000 refugees seek new homes.

Perhaps most important, the General Assembly voted overwhelmingly to condemn the Soviet Union for violating the UN charter. The UN also issued a scathing report on the entire operation, proving the Soviet Union responsible for the blood-letting.

These actions are far less direct than military action, but affect the Communists through the power of world opinion. In the long run persuasion can be more powerful and effective than war.

In the Middle East, the UN met a different situation. It used pressure to bring a cease-fire and a withdrawal of invading forces.

UN experience during the past 12 years equips us better for the future. Says the U.S. Representative to the UN, Henry Cabot Lodge: If another emergency should occur, such as in Korea or the Suez area, "the UN would be able to meet it even more efficiently. This potentiality helps to prevent war by discouraging any country which may be thinking of resorting to force."

We can be thankful that the UN has done so much, so far, to prevent wars in times of stress. Its long-range programs for preventing war -- for building peace -- are also very much worth noting.

There are dozens of these programs: for helping the world's children; protecting human rights; fighting for health; increasing world food supplies; building world cooperation; improving labor standards; developing atomic energy for peaceful uses; and others.

October 24th is a day to remember these words of President Eisenhower: "The devotion of the people of the United States to the principles of the United Nations Charter is the expression of a faith deeply rooted in American cultural, political, and spiritual convictions."



by Rhoda, Sheila and Diana

If the weather has gotten you down, drop in at the Service Club for a bit of relaxation. Here are some of the big events coming up over the next two-week period in October:

ED AND HIS ROCKING 5

On our stage tonight at 2000 hours for a session of rock and roll. If this is your kind of rhythm be sure and be here to get in the last stamp and stomp. They will be appearing again on the 18th so if you miss them this time be sure and make it on the 18th.

OCTOBER BIRTHDAY PARTY

Saturday night at 2000 hours will find all of you men with birthdays in October a year older. Don't let that keep you from celebrating your anniversary with us. Remember there is always cake and ice cream on hand, as well as some zany quizzes to tax your mind.

GWEN BARI

Is a triple star performance at the club on Sunday night, October 20 at 2030 hours. Gwen is a vocalist extraordinary from the States who will charm you with her singing, not to mention the PINK POODLE avec red nail polish which accompanies her, on the stage, that is.

UNITED NATIONS DAY

Will be celebrated at the club on October 24. A special program is being planned for a greater understanding of this organization. Watch for our special publicity announcing this event.

MUSIC - DANCING - GIRLS

Will be the order of the evening on October 26 when we have another Service Club Dance. The music will be provided by the 118th Army Band Dance Combo from Verdun. The dance starts at 2030 hours and will last until 2400 hours. The dress regulation will be a coat and tie.

HALLOWEEN

Cannot be bypassed without at least an apple-ducking session or a good old witches hunt. Lets keep the tradition of Halloween alive by joining in with our shenanigans on ALL HALLOW'S EVE the night of the 31st.

1958 AUTO PANORAMA

On Sunday, October 27, you will have a chance to view the 1958 models of American Cars through a slide preview of all the latest models. The show starts at 2000 hours.

Guess that is all the news from the Service Club, be sure and drop in to see us.

Theatre Schedule

Fri., Oct. 18
SANTIAGO (AY)
Alan Ladd, Lloyd Nolan, Rossana Podesta
Extra: News
Sat., Oct. 19
KIDDIE MATINEE
ROAD TO UTOPIA
Big Crosby, Bob Hope, Dorothy Lamour
REGULAR FEATURE
REVOLT AT FORT LARAMIE (AY)
John Dehner, Frances Helm
Extra: Sports Review, Golden Ladder
Sun. and Mon., Oct. 20 and 21
THE RAINMAKER (AY)
Burt Lancaster, Katherine Hepburn, Wendell Corey
Extra: News
Tues., Oct. 22
THE BIG CAPER (A)
Rory Calhoun, Mary Costa
Extra: Sportsarama, The Crystal Bowl
Wed., Oct. 23
THE VINTAGE (A)
Pier Angeli, Mel Ferrer, John Kerr
Extra: Hunters of the Sea
Thurs. and Fri., Oct. 24 and 25
LAST OF THE BAD MEN (AY)
George Montgomery, Meg Randall
Extra: News, Bonafish and Barrauda
Sat., Oct. 26
KIDDIE MATINEE
OKLAHOMA ANNIE (AY)
Judy Canova, Mohn Russell
Extra: Pirates Harbor
REGULAR FEATURE
THE EDDIE DUCHIN STORY (AY)
Tyroone Power, Kim Novak, Victoria Shaw
Extra: Giva and Tyke
Sun. and Mon., Oct 27 and 28
THE SPIRIT OF ST. LOUIS (AY)
James Stewart, Patricia Smith
Extra: News
Tues., Oct. 29
SHE DEVIL (A)
Mari Blanchard, Jack Kelly
Extra: Ten Pin Wizards, World of Sports
Wed., Oct. 30
FEAR STRIKES OUT (AY)
Anthony Perki, Karl Malden
Extra: Ali Baba Bunny
Thurs., Oct. 3
THREE VIOLENT PEOPLE (AY)
Charles Houston, Anne Baxter, Gilbert Roland
Extra: News

Officers Wives News

By Marge Wood

We all enjoyed ourselves at September 19th Bridge. Sure was nice to win a big cash prize. High prize was won by Pat Tarzitano, Second by Marge Wood and Low by Ann Karker. Come on out ladies to the October Bridge, it may be your lucky day.

Mildred Metzger, Wives Club President, introduced the Board Members and Chairmen of Committees to the Newcomers at their Coffee held September 20 at the Club. Refreshments of Nut Bread, Date Cookies, Cheese Sticks, Coffee and tea were served.

The hostesses were Madamnes Stacy Schumling and Liz McCutchan. A drawing was held and Mrs. L. D. Smith won a beautiful floral arrangement. Newcomers present were: Mrs. Donald Marsh and Mrs. L. D. Smith.

Remember the date of October 20. That will be the big Cocktail Party given by our Wives club. This event is usually held at Christmas time, but due to events beyond our control, we have decided to move this up and have it a FAREWELL PARTY. Come out and join us one and all.

The November Luncheon is

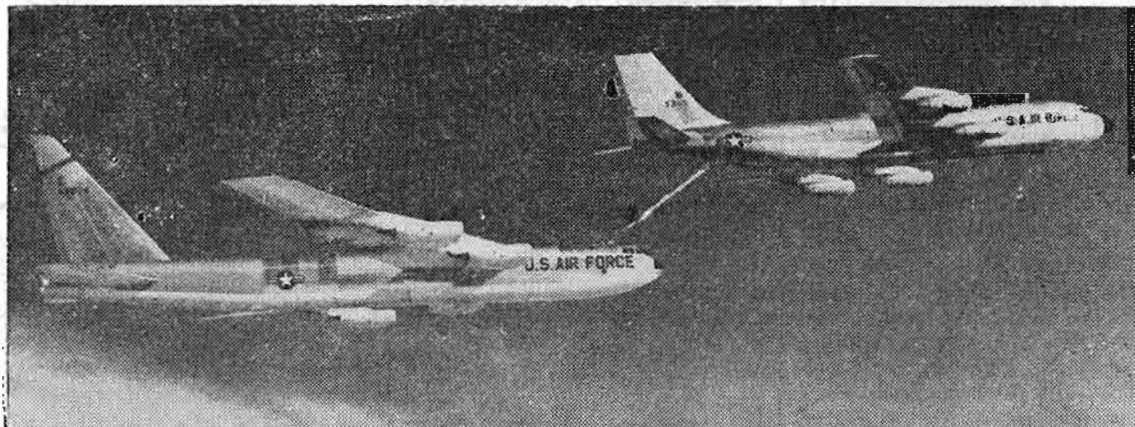
stated to be alot of fun. There will be a big Bingo game. This luncheon is being sponsored by the Board Members. Hope to see you all there.

S.O.P.



'LL REMEMBER THIS NIGHT FOR AT LEAST THREE PAY DAYS!

A Drink to Shrink The Globe



High over the Pacific Northwest the first KC-135, jet tanker transport is shown during initial aerial refueling test with an eight-jet B-52 Stratofortress. The B-52 which flies at 650 mph, and the KC-135 make possible high altitude, high speed refuelings as a routine procedure with Strategic Air Command. The KC-135 also will serve as a multi-purpose troop and cargo transport with Air Force Units.

Hal McIntyre Show Is Huge Success At Service Club

"TREMENDOUS." That one word summed up the reaction of Hal McIntyre when he was queried as to his thoughts about the Chambley audience which thoroughly enjoyed the European Armed Forces Professional Entertainment Division show which played at the Chambley Service Club on Sunday, October 6.

When asked about his current tour of AF bases Hal answered, "It takes me back to 1945 when we spent six months with General Patton's Army. At that time I had a chance to see Europe and I am glad that some of the newer members of the band are enjoying their first glimpse of Europe."

Hal played the saxophone with the Glenn Miller band from 1938-1941, then left to form his own outfit.

His band since then has been featured on radio, in movies and on RCA and Decca recordings. The band was among the first of the groups to entertain the troops at the end of World War II.

"GI audiences are wonderful, it's really a privilege to be able to put on a show for them", was the comment voiced by the blonde bombshell, Lillian Briggs, the singing star of the EAFPED show "Rhythm 57", when interviewed backstage at the Chambley Service Club after she had captivated a capacity crowd with her inimitable singing style.

While resting in the dressing room after her vigorous



The above photos show some of the high spots of the EAFPED show "Rhythm 57", which played at the Chambley Service Club on Sunday Evening, October 6. The top left photo shows Lillian Briggs as she captivates the audience with her playing of the slide trombone. The next photo shows Hal McIntyre at the saxophone while Jeanne McManus does the vocal. The third photo shows Miss Briggs as she sings her famous hit, "I Want You to Be My Baby". At the right Hal McIntyre and Miss Briggs take time out after the show to Have a chat with Service Club Hostesses Sheila Mahoney (left) and Rhoda Nute. At bottom left is a view of the dance which followed the floor show. In the bottom center photo, Sandy Walsh does her dance to the delight of the large audience. At the far right, Phil Lawrence watches his dance partner, Mitzi (right) and Sandy Walsh as they pour over the fashion section of the STARS AND STRIPES backstage.

PHOTO BY ROSENBLUM

display of her dynamic personality and vivacious singing style, Miss Briggs, when questioned about her impressions of France stated, "Although we just arrived here and haven't had too much time to see things, I love the French people. They know how to live, they have found the secret of knowing how to relax."

Miss Briggs says she is loo-

king forward to the show's tour in England, "because I toured Australia last year and was very impressed with the people there. I thoroughly enjoy the English brand of humor."

Before starting this tour Miss Briggs packed them in at the Palace Theater in New York and prior to that engagement, she concluded a high-

ly successful 20 week run at the Sands in Las Vegas.

She brought down the house with her version of "I Want You to be My Baby", which was a best seller on an Epic disc late in 1955. Miss Briggs trombone playing also made a Big hit with the Chambley audience.

Others featured in this fine

cast of top entertainment talent were vocalist Jeanne McManus, the McIntots, the dance team of Phil Lawrence and Mitzi, and the versatile dancer, Sandy Walsch.

After the floor show which was well received by all, Hal McIntyre and the band played for dancing until 2400, with Jeanne McManus and the McIntots sharing the honors on the vocals.

CONDUCT GENERALLY : Many Americans seem surprised to find that they are subject to French civil law in connection with their private affairs. A moment's thought show that it could hardly be otherwise.

We could not expect the

You And The French Law

French to allow us to govern the civil affairs of our personnel in France by US military law. In the first place, there are no provisions in the

Uniform Code of Military Justice governing civil matters; and in the second place, the jurisdiction of U.S. civil courts does not extend to France.

As a condition to our being stationed here, our country agreed by treaty that we will live under the civil laws of France; therefore, it is our duty to respect them. All of this may sound like a large order and it is in a way.

On the other hand, these are the same conditions under which you change your residence from one state to another in the U. S. You are always expected to respect and obey the laws of the state in which you are living.

CREDIT: In France just as in the U.S., you will find that there are many establishments which sell merchandise on an installment plan. US personnel assigned to this area, however are encouraged to make cash purchases of consumer items whenever possible.

In the past there have been some US personnel who overextended themselves in buying things on credit and as a

result became involved in numerous creditor suits in the local French courts.

This not only caused them a great deal of embarrassment and money, but also reflected adversely upon the AF. Anytime you as an American service man or civilian employee become involved in such a situation you invariably bring some discredit upon the service in so far as the local French population is concerned, to say nothing of jeopardizing your own position with the service and losing respect in the eyes of your friends. Therefore, whenever possible you should pay cash for what you buy in France.

If you find that you are unable to pay cash for some essential item while you are assigned here, you should have a definite written understanding with the person from whom you buy the item as to exactly what you are to pay, and what the individual installments are to be and when they are to become due and payable.

Don't depend upon verbal (word of mouth) agreements for installment purchases. If you do, you may find that in

the end you will be required to pay taxes, interest and "other charges" which will run the total price to twice what you originally thought it would be.

Also, if you buy on credit, be certain to make your payments when they become due. The Commanding General or your organizational Commander probably will receive a letter of complaint about it if you fail to make your payments on time.

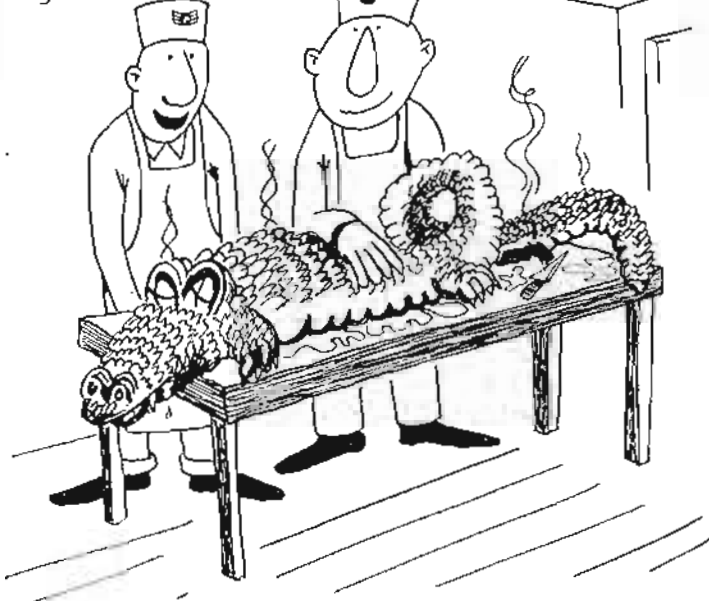
USAF policy on the subject of credit purchases by its personnel only states that all personnel will promptly pay all of their debts as they become due and that generally the AF will not intervene in such matters.

The UCMJ goes further, however; it states that a person subject to the code may be tried by Court Martial for dishonorably failing to pay his debts. The policy of this Command is that we pay cash as we go whenever possible and that when we do buy on credit we make our payments promptly as they become due.

We are not to give our creditors any valid reason for complaining about our failure to pay our debts nor are we to become involved in creditor suits in the local French Courts.

LUNATICS

by LUNA & REBER



"Just Wait Til You Hear What the Boys Will Have to Say About This Meal!"

CHAMBLEY AIR BASE A LA FOIRE DE METZ

Comme chaque année, cette imposante manifestation commerciale vient d'ouvrir ses portes et comme l'an dernier, malgré maintes circonstances adverses, Chambley a fait le gros effort d'y aménager un stand. La tâche était malaisée, puisque nous n'avions droit pour cela à aucun crédit et que tout devait, ou bien être réalisé sur place, ou bien être emprunté ici et là.

Il convient donc que chacun de vous qui, je l'espère, viendra visiter le stand U.S. Air Force - U.S. Army au cours de la Foire avec sa famille, sache comment celui-ci a été réalisé.

Tout d'abord, le pavillon a été mis gracieusement à notre disposition par le Comité de la Foire et nous ne saurions assez remercier et M. Hocquard, son éminent Président, et M. Sellier, son dévoué Secrétaire Général.

L'idée maîtresse de l'exposition, qui était déjà un peu dans l'air à Chambley, a été formulée par M. MacDonald, Chef des Services Américains d'Information à Strasbourg qui, aidé de sa femme, a réalisé la maquette du stand. Pour l'exécution, il a fallu faire appel à de nombreuses bonnes volontés.

La pièce de résistance de l'exposition est bien cette magistrale photo aérienne de Metz qui excite l'intérêt de tous les visiteurs et sur laquelle se sont penchés égale-

ment, le jour de l'inauguration, M. Conte, Ministre de l'Industrie et du Commerce, M. Laporte, Préfet de la Moselle et M. Mondon, Député-Maire de Metz. Cette photo a été réalisée par la Base Aérienne de Spangdahlem, siège du 10th Tactical Reconnaissance Wing, dont les opérateurs ont pu utiliser les deux jours de beau temps que nous avons eus dans la seconde quinzaine de septembre. Elle a ensuite été montée, également à Spangdahlem, et vous pourrez réaliser, en la regardant d'un peu près, la somme de travail dont il s'agit.

Accompagnant cette grande photo, on peut voir une des cameras qui servent à ce genre de travail aérien, ainsi que les lunettes stéréoscopiques utilisées pour voir en relief certaines parties d'une photo aérienne, permettant ainsi de vérifier à volonté certains détails. Une autre grande attraction est l'appareil d'inspection des films.

Tout ce matériel est venu également de Spangdahlem. Il est là pour illustrer l'idée directrice de l'exposition: la politique préconisée par le Président Eisenhower et, à un certain moment également par le Maréchal Boulganine, politique dite des « cieux ouverts » qui devrait permettre l'inspection aérienne réciproque des territoires russes et américains par des avions de l'autre nation. Toutes les affiches et

photographies qui meublent l'exposition, et qui ont été fournies par les Services d'Information Américains de Strasbourg sont destinées à exposer cette politique d'après les paroles du Président Eisenhower et montrent d'autre part comment la photo aérienne peut être utilisée dans ce but.

Le pavillon, quand on l'a mis à notre disposition, était nu, peint à l'extérieur et à l'intérieur aux couleurs des Brasseries de Champigneulle

et son toit présentait des gouttières inquiétantes. C'est grâce à l'effort du Major Schmeling, Project Officer pour la Foire, et du personnel de l'AIO, dont plusieurs de nos camarades peintres et électriciens, que notre stand tel qu'il est actuellement a pu être réalisé en quelques semaines. Il a fallu, non seulement réparer le toit et peindre les murs extérieurs et intérieurs, mais pratiquer et poser les séparations qui permettent de voir l'exposition de la façon appropriée, et ins-

taller un éclairage adéquat. Pour ce dernier, le courant étant de 220 v., nous ne pouvions nous procurer ni ampoule ni projecteur à Base Supply. Nous avons donc dû avoir recours à l'extrême complaisance du Service d'Electricité de la Ville de Metz qui nous a prêté tous les projecteurs nécessaires — près d'une vingtaine — et dont un des agents a tenu à suivre lui-même la bonne marche de notre installation. Cet agent a même poussé l'obligeance jusqu'à accompagner, vendredi soir, M. MacDonald au Jardin Botanique de la ville où on lui a prêté les plantes vertes qui ornent le stand. Inutile de préciser que sans ce précieux concours le problème de l'éclairage aurait été pratiquement insoluble pour des gens ne disposant d'aucun budget.

En résumé, ce stand n'a pu être réalisé que grâce à une coopération franco-américaine discrète mais efficace. Songez-y en le visitant et excusez ses insuffisances en pensant aux moyens limités dont nous disposions.

Je vous rappelle que la Journée Franco-Américaine du mercredi 9 octobre marquera pour nous un des sommets de la Foire et verra la musique de 12th Air Force donner un concert de 15 h. 30 à 16 h. 30 dans le nouvel auditorium.

Geneviève HARTMAN,
Civilian Consultant.

Méditation

*Terrible enchantement de septembre à mes pieds
J'entends mourir les jours, j'entends sonner le glas.
L'automne s'écroutant sur le globe en entier
Sous un plafond de brume, c'est l'été qui s'en va.*

*Des morceaux de soleil à l'odeur de mois
Escaladent les pics, s'infiltrent dans le soir.
La nuit fauche à grands pas le temps évanoui,
Du rire et des chansons dans le champ de l'espoir.*

*Mystère de la vie: le printemps et l'été
Ne sont pas éternels, il faut bien pour mourir
Sentir passer sur soi le tourment déchainé.*

*Des tempêtes d'automne. Quand l'hiver finira,
Des jours pleins de soleil jaucheront les soupîres
Dans la plaine des soirs de ton pesant combat.*

René LALOHA (Pseudonyme).

Base Flight At Your Service 24 Hours a Day 7 days a Week

Although most people know a "Base Flight" exists on nearly every air base in the world, few realize its daily mission and the amount of time and work put into the job of keeping the base's planes in the air. Even though the section consists of just a handful of men, the job they do is important to the comfort and security of every man, woman and child on the base that these men serve.

Chambley's Base Flight has been in operation since February of 1954, and during this time they have had an unblemished flying safety record, a feat accomplished un-

der the most difficult circumstances.

Among other things the section has no hangar, which has meant the men have had to work outdoors in all kinds of weather, a lot of it the worst Europe has had to offer.

Interesting to note, is the fact that all cargo aircraft assigned to Base Flight are over 15 years old. This means extra work due to a scarcity of parts and the necessity of reworking old parts to keep the planes in flying condition.

Each of these C-47A's have a total of over 9000 hours flying time accumulated and it is evident that planes with



M/Sgt Shannon Carter (center) listens to the troubles of S/Sgt Laurence Gissway, while 1/Lt Algimantus Kuprenas (far left) busies himself with some of the necessary paper work, and A/2c Ellis Conners (right) fills out a work order, all part of the activities in the wheel house of Base Flight.
Photo by Rosenblum.



A/1c Angus Murphy (left,) and S/Sgt William Pearce prepare to service an aircraft on its way into Chambley, one of the several duties of those on Trans-Alert.

that much time must have been kept in top flying condition. In addition to the C-47's, Base Flight is assigned six T-23's, which until recently were over six years old and had logged over 1500 flying hours apiece. Also assigned to the section is a L-20 type aircraft, which is used for liaison and ground reconnaissance.

The T-23 aircraft are used in direct support of the Base Instrument School, which keeps our combat pilots proficient in instrument flying. The C-47's are used in direct support of the Wing's activities, and are used to make re-

gular flights to support gunnery, bombing, and special weapons missions. Along with these missions mentioned above, the C-47's are used for morale flights to most every country in Europe.

A Transient Alert section is also maintained by Base Flight, these men are on duty 24 hours a day to service and provide emergency maintenance for any aircraft which lands at Chambley.

When on duty, the men on transient alert stay in a little 15 ft. square quarters hut, where they have compact, but

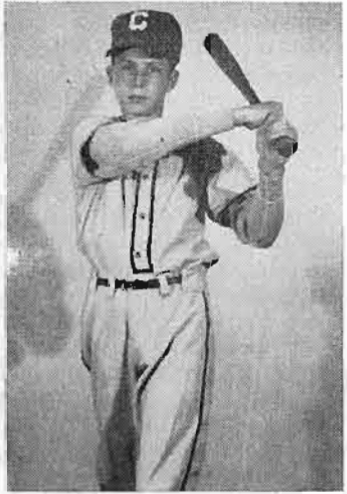
livable, quarters. These men generally average between 100 and 200 servicings a month, no easy job in these European winters.

A small Communications Shop is maintained by Base Flight, which consists of four radio operators and two maintenance men. These people are not only responsible for keeping Chambley's communications gear in operating order, but they are also responsible for servicing the electronic equipment of transient aircraft which might be inoperative.

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Jimmy Logan Voted As MVP

Twelve year old Jimmy Logan, son of Major James Logan, Staff Judge Advocate, was recently voted as the Most Valuable Player of the Chambley Little Leaguers.



Jimmy was the catcher and the Captain of the team. Throughout the season he came through with his clutch hitting and his decisions as captain inspired the team to make a brilliant comeback after losing several of their earlier games.

The team voted for the MVP themselves and Jimmy won seven out of a possible 13 first place votes. Other players receiving first place votes were Robert Cummings, the first baseman who received three first place votes and Clinton Scott, Pitcher who also received three first place votes.

This was Jimmy's last year with the Little League as next year he graduates to the Pony League. His teammates have expressed their best wishes for his continuing success and an appreciation for his efforts in their behalf this season.

Rats Lose To SHAPE 13-7, Drop Chaumont 20-6

The Chambley Desert Rats gained a split in their last two encounters as they dropped a heartbreaker to the SHAPE Indians here on September 22 and came back last Saturday, September 28 to defeat the Chaumont Mudhens by a score of 20-6 at Chaumont.

A big and powerful SHAPE team stopped the undefeated Rats by a score of 13-7 on the Rats home field before a capacity partisan crowd.

At the beginning of the game it looked like the Rats would continue their winning ways. Clarence Jackson took the opening kickoff on his own five yard line and raced to the 50 before being downed.

After the Rats moved the ball down to the SHAPE 20, Phillip Caldwell passed to William Deese who raced to the goal unmolested to put the Rats in the lead. Deese then kicked the extra point to make the score 7-0.

Although the Rats were in control most of the first half, they were unable to score again. The big wall of George Davis, who seemed to be all over the field at once, Albert Stanish, Hubert Delaney, and John Christian held the Indians scoreless in the first half.

In the second half, the Indians realizing that they could not move on the ground, took to the air. SHAPE quarterback, Jerry Luzader, four-year letterman for Michigan State hurled pass after pass.

Finding that they could move at will through the air, Luzader kept hitting his favorite receiver, Big Jack Flurer with passes. However, it was a pass to Jim Coburn, that scored SHAPE's first TD and also it was Coburn who kicked the extra point to make the score 7-7.

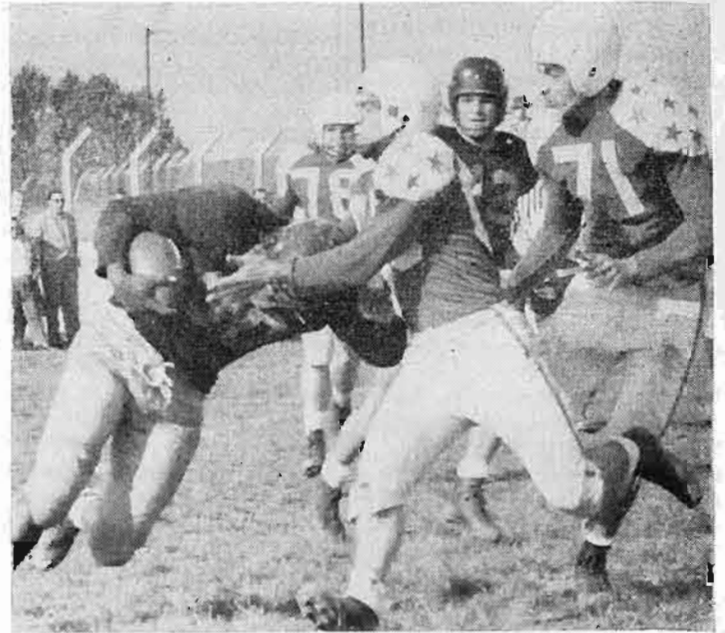
Chambley, still unable to move on the ground or in the air, was forced to kick. Ho-

ward Eaton, a noted Chambley athlete playing his last game due to rotation, got off a mighty kick that sailed 50 yards.

With Luzader directing the team and Big Flurer an easy target for his passes, the two steadily moved the ball down field. After two SHAPE touchdowns were called back due to holding penalties, the Rats again took possession only to lose the ball four plays later.

Luzader hit Bill Abraham on the 21 yard line and he raced to the end zone to give the Indians the winning tally with only three minutes remaining in the game. The conversion attempt was fumbled and the score remained 13-7.

After their defeat by SHAPE, the Rats bounced back to defeat the Chaumont Mudhens 20-6 at Chaumont last



Milt "The Bull" Haridson goes around end for a short gain as a horde of SHAPE players led by Bill Abraham, in fore ground and Jim Coburn (71) come in for the tackle. In the background is Eugene Pruitt (12) Chambley halfback and an unidentified SHAPE player. Photo by Farrow.

Kawakami, Sparks Win Golf Tourney

Walter Kawakami and Delores Sparks became Chambley's links stars by winning the golfst at CAB's Baker-



Walter Kawakami and Delores Sparks Pose with the Championship trophies awarded them after winning the Golf Tournament here at CAB last month. Kawakami took out Sparks and Parcell to win the title, and Delores Sparks topped Ruth Hayes and Rhoda Nute for the Ladies title.

nine Golf Course. Kawakami eased past Clell Lick and Francis Sparks to win the Men's Championship, while Delores Sparks took out Ruth Hayes and Rhoda Nute to cop the Ladies top sport.

In the Ladies 1st Flight competition, W. Peters took top honors, by beating out Edith Palika, who in turn had taken Jane Whaley out of the game. The Men's division winners are as follows; 1st Flt, W.G. Hightbottom; 2nd Flt, A.B. Whitehead; 3rd Flt, R.J. Junion; 4th Flt, J.A. Bosch; and 5th Flt R.F. Ferguson.

Saturday.

The Mudhens drew first blood when they scored early in the game from the three. Their lead was short-lived as Phillip Caldwell gathered in a punt and raced to the 50 before he was downed.

With the hard running of Milt "the Bull" Haridson and Eugene Pruitt, the Rats moved the ball down to the 10 yard line where Pee Wee Hunt took the ball around end to tie the game.

William Deese kicked the extra point to put the rats in the lead which they were never to lose again. Hunt, making some brilliant runs for the period of time he was in the game, scored again in the latter part of the first quarter.

Deese again made the conversion to give the Rats a comfortable 14-6 lead. Both teams playing defensive ball were held scoreless the second and third quarters. Only in the fourth quarter was there any scoring and it was Chambley's quarterback, Samuel Calhoun, who tossed a 15 yard pass to Robert "Thin Man" Brooks, that started the ball rolling.

Brooks took the pass on the 50 and raced through to paydirt. The conversion attempt was missed by James Huggins. Huggins and John Christian threw key blocks to set up Brooks' 50 yard run.

Although plagued by injuries, the forward line of Big Jack Carther, Aubrey Massey, and Davis continued to hold the opposition. Franklin Rowe, replacing injured Albert Stanish, played an outstanding game and was a big factor in holding down the Mudhens.

The Rats are 3 wins and 1 loss for the season. They play the Toul Tigers tomorrow at the Nancy Stadium. This is the game of the year as far

as the team is concerned. Last year the Rats held the mighty Tigers to their lowest score in the France Conference.

This year, with a much stronger team and better coaching, the Rats stand a good chance of upsetting the favored Tigers. Let's be there and support our team. Let's GET THAT TIGER.

Conference Standings

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| Toul | 1-0 |
| SHAPE | 4-0 |
| CHAMBLEY | 3-1 |
| Egin | 3-1 |
| Lyon | 3-1 |
| CAMA | 1-2-1 |
| Chaumont | 1-3 |
| Evreux | 0-3-1 |
| Dreux | 0-4 |

Remaining Schedule

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| Oct. 5 | Chambley at Toul (played in Nancy) |
| Oct. 12 | Evreux at Chambley |
| Oct. 19 | Chambley at Chateaufoux |
| Oct. 26 | Dreux at Chambley |
| Nov. 3 | Etain at Chambley |

All home games start at 8:00 hrs

Fire Prevention...

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causes is of electrical origin. A few common sense precautions are: Don't string wires under rugs, over books, or in any exposed place; use only approved electrical cords, don't use your own makeshift design; and have a qualified electrician repair or extend wiring when this is necessary.

3. Heating and Cooking stoves, etc.: One out of every four or five fires is caused by faulty chimneys, flues, cooking or heating stoves, furnaces, carelessness with fireplaces or hot ashes. Most frequent causes of destructive fires in heating plants or appliances are: sub-standard equipment, incorrect installation and construction, lack of care in maintenance and unsafe operation.

4. Kerosene and carelessness: One in ten fires is caused by incautious use of kerosene, gasoline, or other inflammable fluids, and by carelessness in handling candles,

open lights, lamps, open gas jets, torches, etc. Slushing or pouring kerosene on wood or coal fires is an example of recklessness. Using gasoline, benzene, naphtha and other inflammable liquids in the shops, hangars, barracks or home for cleaning or similar purposes causes many tragedies each year.

What to do when fire is discovered: Call or send someone to call the Fire Department. Then, if the fire is not already beyond control, do what you can to put it out.

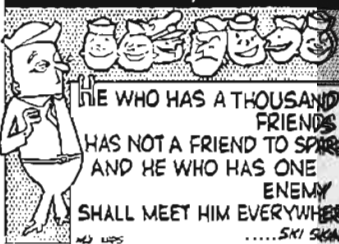
Sometimes a substance that will burn can be removed from a fire, but most fires have to be extinguished by reducing the heat or by cutting off oxygen. To reduce heat, water or water containing chemicals is used on fires.

To cut off oxygen something that will keep air away from the fire has to be used. Which method is better, cooling or smothering, depends on what is burning.

Attention Cage Hounds

The 1957 basketball season will get underway with practice beginning October 15. All interested personnel should be at the Service Club Card Room at 1900 hours on October 10 or 11. Names will be taken and a roster forwarded to the Air Police so that individuals will be able to get into the 416th Hangar area, where the gym is located. Coach for this year's quintet will be returning player-coach, Lief Carlson.

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72nd News

Malassignments are still coming in. Capt. Dobyns, we hope you enjoy your new assignment in Spokane as Supply Officer. Seeing as how you have always been a fighter jockey, a supply account could be very interesting.

Sergeant Tartaro, we checked the regs and find there is no dislocation allowance for dislocated shoulder. Better give up that sneaky game of upso Elipsa commonly called "Judo", it could be your neck time. Col. Van's sheep dog, Mont, is very unhappy these days, seems the mutton farm moved on to warmer climes.

Mont almost got shipped out the other day though, with all of the moving and shipping going on here Mont was tagged for shipment. Disappointment was experienced when the supply people didn't approve of the manufacture of the item.

GCA Save . . .
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made by GCA or the aircraft. Moselle Control advises Chambley Tower of the aircraft.

In the tower A/IC George S. Yoder is on duty. He notifies the Crash Crews and Base Operations. The Search and Rescue helicopter is alerted and the Primary Crash Circuit is activated.

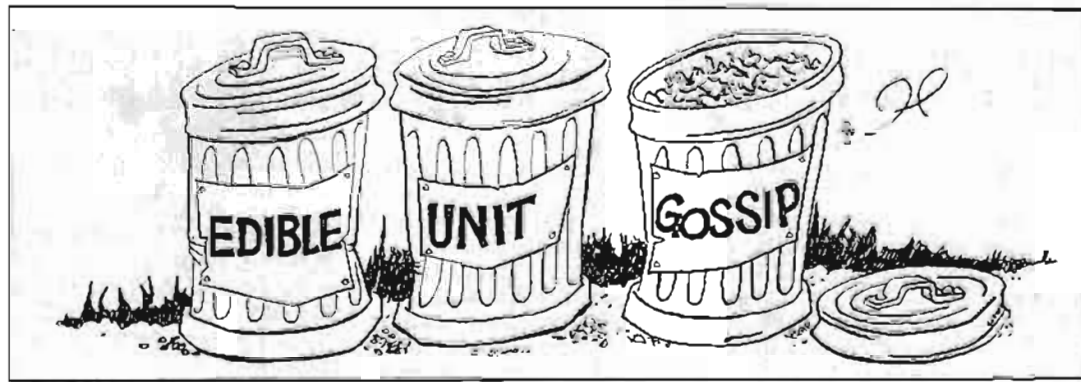
Airman Yoder makes radio contact with the T-33 and gives D/F steers (headings) to Chambley. Now instructions are being relayed from GCA to the pilot until GCA can establish radio contact on the Tower radio channel since it is apparent that the aircraft is experiencing radio difficulty.

In the GCA unit we find A/IC Earl L. Dye observing the aircraft on the radar indicator. The target is now east of Chambley at eight miles as radio contact is being assured. Airman Dye is now vectoring the aircraft via the shortest route and down the final approach for a safe landing.

Upon landing, with the cold rain falling slowly, the pilot turns the aircraft off the runway, falls in behind the "Follow Me" truck, and proceeds to the ramp and parks. The two pilots of the aircraft personally express their gratitude for a job well done to Airman Dye in the GCA unit.

When the controllers involved were interviewed as to how it feels to save lives and an aircraft, their replies were the same, "Just doing our job".

Maybe it is, and then again "THE MISSION OF MERGYS IS THE RETAINMENT OF LIFE". An added note is that when aircraft was refueled it took 110 gallons, the aircraft has only a 113 gallon capacity. The flying time for the remaining three gallons would have been approximately 45 seconds.



Several of the fathers from the trailer park are coming to work in the morning looking tired and sleepy-eyed. Upon being questioned about their condition, it is revealed they often are up, with the young during the night and just as baby gets asleep the early morning calls from our fine base PA system blast out.

Some say they are going to sabotage the system, but others say a good staff duty officer and staff duty NCO would fail to allow these early morning blasts.

Barracks Breeze by AGM

Views of news around Headquarters Squadron, 21st Fighter Bomber Wing, reveal a few recent transpirations. A/IC Robert Kirtley, an employee of the WDO Section, has received entry into what we might term "Greener Pastures". Airman Kirtley rudely

left his area in BKS 204 last Saturday to fulfill an assignment in Hq USAFE, Wiesbaden, Germany. Good luck Kirt.

A/IC Charles D. Smith, personnel man of our squadron, has taken on an extra digit to his number of years, which now total 21. Rumor, established by extensive probing, has it that Airman Smith will be accompanied to the ZI by a very attractive French miss -- soon to be Mrs. C. D. Smith. Congratulations and best wishes on both counts, Smitty, and happy birthday.

Another recent vacancy in the squadron was made by

A/IC Edward Bargas. Ann Bargas departed happily packing last-minute souvenirs of European escapades. He also has been a resident member of this squadron, for quite some time, and will return to his home as he puts it, "Mr. Ed. Bargas", to continue his education. Best wishes M. Bargas, from your boozin-boozin buddies of 204.

416th FBS

by S/Sgt Gillespie

In the course of our conversations on Sputnik I, the Russian earth satellite, came detailed reports of the sighting of a UFO, (Unidentified Foreign Object) over Chambley AB.

After an extensive investigation

by the OSI, CID, and OGI (Other Concerned Individuals), the following particulars concerning this UFO have been uncovered. (1) It has only been sighted near the 416th hangar. (2) It never appears to be over 50 feet in the air. (3) It appears to be remotely controlled although this latter particular is only a matter of speculation.

Considering all these, it has been determined that this UFO is nothing more than Captain Hedges' remote controlled model aircraft, which made its initial flight on October 13.

Latest reports indicate this aircraft lived up to all its designer's dreams and Captain Hedges has now challenged all aircraft enthusiasts (i.e. Col. Smith) to race. Unfortunately, or maybe fortunately, Capt Hedges is departing for Bitburg on PCS status on October 21, so you challengers will have to hurry!

The chimes you hear ringing around the 416th area are none other than wedding bells for one of our more eligible bachelor officers, namely Lt Thomas Kelsey.

It seems the sunny French climate and the beautiful mademoiselles, proved his undoing since the two factors combined to completely frustrate his bachelor plans. Anyway, we all wish Lt Kelsey the best.

Incoming personnel during the past two weeks have been WO Lavelly, assigned to our Maintenance Section; Lt Berroth, our new Armament Officer, and the following personnel arriving from Bitburg: S/Sgt Cox, A/IC Bland, Greer, New, Swanson, Winks, and Youngquist.

Losses have been Lt Malope, Lt Backlund, S/Sgt Neal, A/IC Sweet, Dodd, Mihelish, New, A/IC Greene and Taylor. We still look like a Personnel Processing Squadron.

'While Others Sleep': SAC's Own Story

By JAMES A. NICHENER

Author of "Tales of the South Pacific," "The Bridge at Andau," "Rascals in Paradise."

(This is an excerpt from a book length feature on the Strategic Air Command appearing in the October issue of the "Reader's Digest.")

Last November, when it looked as if the Soviet Union, having subdued Hungary, could go on calling the shots in the Suez crisis, four apparently unconnected facts helped change world history.

Fact one. At a New England air base, the officers' wives in their prettiest gowns were enjoying a gala Wednesday evening formal. But at 11:30, just as the dances were going good, all the men mysteriously disappeared and the wives were left alone in their new frocks with no dancing partners. A brief note about this appeared in a local paper.

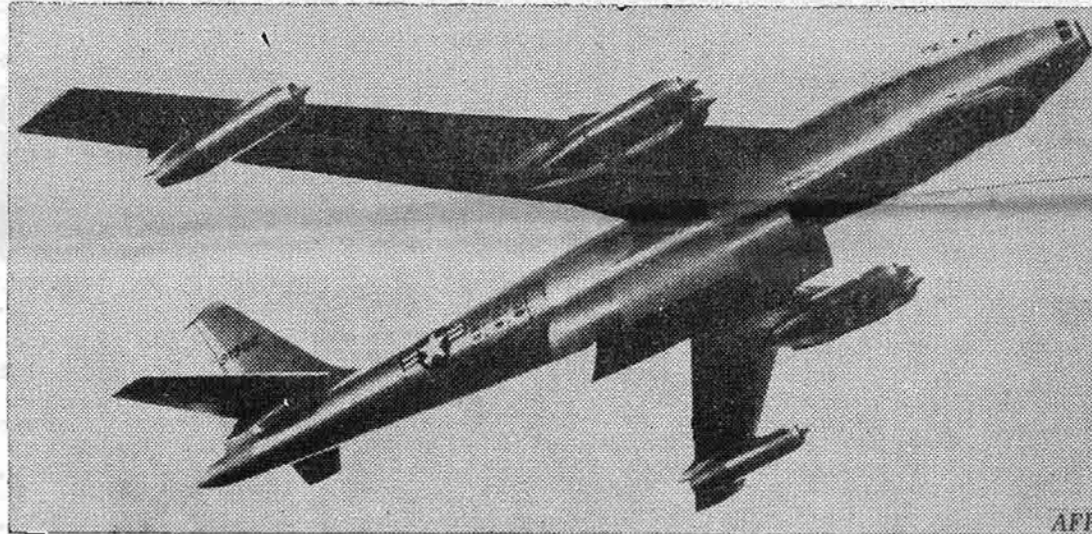
Fact two. In Texas, a woman who ran a mink ranch protested to her local newspaper that the night before many jet airplanes had flown low over her ranch... "disturbing the sex life of my animals."

Fact three: At a movie house in a tiny English village the film was suddenly interrupted by an innocuous announcement card which flashed on the screen: "John Baker, please call home." Instantly more than two dozen young men quietly rose and filed out of the theater.

Fact four. At a remote North African skiing lodge, high in the snowy Atlas Mountains of Morocco, the manager stood puzzled when all of his American guests suddenly paid their bills in full, checked out of his resort and sped down the mountain.

In New York, a sharp-eyed city editor, reviewing the day's news, chanced to spot the first two of these inconsequential stories. From returning correspondents he heard the last two and leaped to a staggering conclusion. "The Strategic Air Command has been alerted!" he shouted.

In this roundabout way the world learned that SAC, the mighty bombing arm of American defense, had taken its wartime positions and was waiting, poised above its bases at home and abroad, ready to strike at the very heart of the Soviet Union should the Kremlin make a major aggres-



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sive move anywhere in the world.

Many Americans don't know how much striking power SAC can muster. But the rulers of the Soviet Union do. Our government wants them to.

Last November the Kreminkney without doubt that SAC was alert for instant action. Perhaps certain SAC planes were sent to the North Pole, where they would be picked up on Soviet radar. Perhaps word was leaked out concerning extraordinary activity at Thule, in frozen Greenland. Certainly it would have been easy to allow spies to discover what was going on at Sidi Slimane, the great SAC base in North Africa, or at Fairford, an equally powerful base in England.

I don't know how the masters of the Kremlin were given the word, but they got it. And slowly, from that moment on, they began to back down. They behaved themselves in the Near East. They stopped talking about sending "volunteers," North Korea style, into Egypt. And they became more reasonable in talking with Harold Stassen about disarmament.

For some time I have felt that the United States ought to know as much about SAC as the Kremlin does. Recently I have had opportunity to visit SAC bases, to fly in SAC airplanes, to live with SAC pilots. Here is what I saw.

Gen. Curtis E. Le May, the man who bossed SAC in its formative years, says of its present capacity: "The Soviet Union might be tempted to strike us some day. Everyone who knows aviation thinks that some of their planes would get through, and if they did, their nuclear bombs could destroy places like Detroit or Omaha. But the moment they launched such a strike, SAC would retaliate. Nothing could stop us. And the devastation we would send down from the skies would eliminate the Soviet Union as a world power."

It is important to know exactly how SAC could accomplish this. Let's take a look, first at the sleek B-47 jet bombers poised on airstrips throughout the United States and at bases around the world. They are on constant 24-hour alert, ready to take off within 30 minutes of a totally unexpected national crisis.

These B-47 bombers are astonishing planes. They can soar to more than 40,000 feet. Using only the stars to steer by, they can find any known target on earth, drop their powerhouse bombs and come home. If necessary, they can fly completely around the world without coming down to earth, for they can be refueled aloft. Trim, lovely birds, their wings nearly touch the concrete when on the ground. As they become airborne

the wings slowly rise, and the sleek jet engines push the craft along at speeds up to 500 miles an hour.

The amazing thing about the B-47 is that only three men are required to fly it: an aircraft commander, a pilot and an observer who serves as navigator-bombardier. These three men do all the work of the 18 who were needed for pre-jet bombers. Yet this small crew, in one mission, can deliver a single bomb whose explosive capacity surpasses that of all the bombs and ammunition expended by both sides in all of World War II—more destructive power than the hundreds of thousands of sorties flown by all the German, Japanese, British, Russian and American bombers, plus all the shells of the combined artilleries of these nations, plus all the naval bombardments of the great surface fleets.

This is the power that rides in a B-47. And the United States has hundreds of B-47s ready and waiting.

SAC's striking power is so terrible that our government has decided it can drop nuclear bombs upon the enemy only at the express command of the President. The decision to use SAC or not has been limited "the most agonizing that a single human being has ever been called upon to make since history began."

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