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HOPSCOTCHING



The Army Instrument Manual following the format of the Air Force and CAA manuals will go to the printer sometime in April, according to present plans.

SR 95-15-8, the Special Regulation pertaining to the maximum and minimum requirements, is under revision at the Department of the Army level.

Pentagon planners, cognizant of the shortcomings in the existing Army Reserve Aviation Program, look toward recent changes in the overall USAR Program to provide the answers to USAR personnel and equipment problems. The Department of the Army is keenly aware that the USAR Program in its entirety must be revitalized.

Intensive recruiting efforts have continued in all Army areas. Under consideration is a Program designed to attract Advanced ROTC students to Army aviation. Students would pursue a flight curriculum similar to CPT in many respects.

Signs point to a basic change in the Career Management Division. Army Aviators may soon have Army Aviation personnel overseeing their year-to-year assignments.

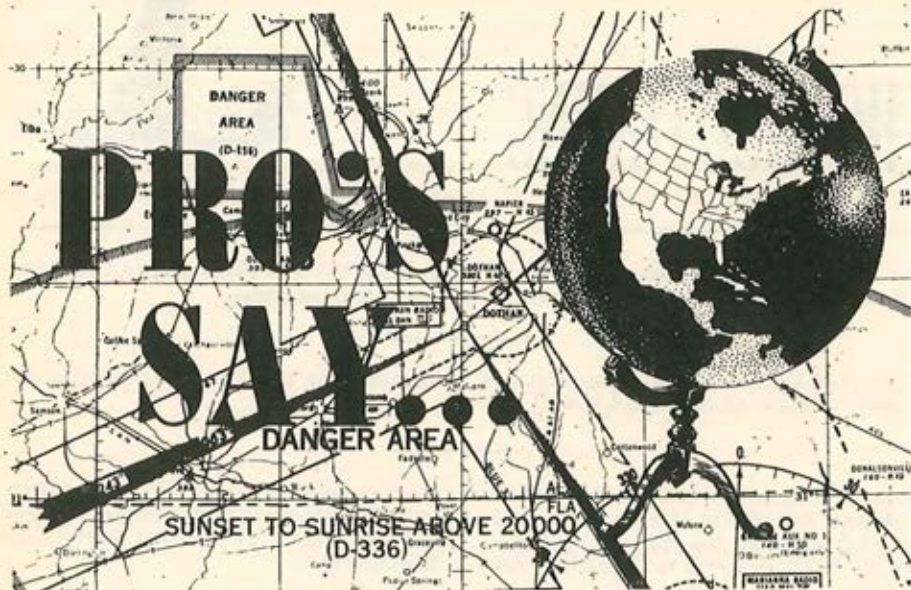
An extended period of inclement weather has hampered the full scale house-warming activities at the Army Aviation School; low ceilings and rain have played havoc with flight training.

Overall statistics for the National Guard (to appear in the Yearbook in detail) reveal many vacancies still exist in active National Guard aviation units. The procurement of multi-engine aircraft for NG units still remains "remote" at best.

Aviation Companies, particularly the one stationed at Fort Benning, Georgia, seem to follow no set rules as to rank. The unit at Benning has thirty-three assigned lieutenants and almost a corresponding number of assigned Captains (26).

Army aviation in the Northern Hemisphere took a "back seat" to weather throughout late December and early January. Reports in this issue from all sectors (Iceland, EUCOM, FECOM, etc.) all carry "the minimums are hard to make" as a lead to the report.

Transition training in Piasecki H-21 helicopters is proceeding smoothly at Fort Riley, Kansas, where the 71st Transportation Battalion (Helicopter) is now checking out pilots from far-flung Transportation Corps units.



ROAD LANDING

GUATEMALA CITY, GUATEMALA — Going to stay here in the land of the Eternal Spring for the next two years and therefore you won't find me in "PCS" any longer. . . I thought the readers would like to know of an interesting experience I had here. . . Was in Santiago, Cuba with an L-20 supporting the H-19's, one of which clobbered atop Pico Turquino, the highest mountain in Cuba. After that project folded up I proceeded to the Canal Zone to see the wife and kids. Needless to say, my first stop was Havana, Cuba and from there direct to Belize, British Honduras. A skoshi stop to refuel & to stretch my tired legs. From there I set my course to Managua, Nicaragua. An hour out of Belize and I was at 14,000 on top of a solid overcast so I never did see Tegucigalpa & the only indication that I was over the station was a 180-deg. turn of the ADF needle.

Twenty minutes later, I contacted PAA Radio in Managua through my ARC-5 to hear pretty sad news. . . the airport was zero-zero. I kept on - hoping to find the usual hole over Lake Managua. Sure enough, there it was and once at water level proceeded to a strip I had used before, by the name of Matagalpa. I found it okay but, my Lord, the place was three feet UNDER water. At that time the clouds were under the ground, my gas was low and I had to land somewhere very pronto. The Pan Am Highway appeared mighty big so I set the Beaver down with about two feet of clearance on my left wing. .

What really got my Latin blood boiling were the doggone cars blowing their horns behind me. They wanted me to make headway so that THEY COULD PASS. Believe it or not, I TAXIED three miles or so down the road before I could find a side road on which to park. Four days I stayed in that neck of the woods until ol' Sol showed up. The rest of the flight to the Canal Zone was strictly "no sweat." It all goes to show you that the weather in Central America is quite unpredictable. Like to pass the word to all AA's and crewmen that Guat City is a wonderful place to spend a few weeks and to write me for full particulars. Would like to see someone drop by for a visit. Sincerely,
 Capt. "VIC" HERNANDEZ, CE

(Ed. For information on "peaceful" Guatemala, write to Capt. Victor M. Hernandez, Inter American Geodetic Survey, c/o U.S. Embassy, Guatemala City, Guatemala.)

BIG HANGAR?

PIRMASENS, GERMANY — Winter weather is on its way - in fact, it is HERE. Now & then the weather clears to the point where we can see the runway from the Opns Office and the mad rush then begins for "taxi time." Before long we expect to be logging the monthly four by hovering the H-13's in the main hangar.

We're inclined to agree 1000% with Capt GEORGE LAWRENCE of the USAREUR Flight Det. In the December "AA" he mentioned that something should follow after the MOS 1981 to indicate pilot ability relative to experience when it comes to assignment. . . . In looking around and seeing pilots with better than 1,000 hours, and often more than 2,000 with multi-engine ratings, instrument cards, helicopter ratings, and mucho hours of IP time, just filling a routine slot in a small unit seems to be a waste of Uncle Sam's precious and well-spent pesos. In most cases the pilot is the LAST to complain and only after he's lost his mind fighting with people who can't understand why L-19's can't file IFR through freezing rain into an area with no nav aids and from a field that hasn't any navigation aids. One could scream for some hours on this subject, but there are many deaf hears. Without a doubt, D/A is aware of these things and all will come out in the wash.

It's a shame that so many potential pillars in the foundation of Army aviation have given up the fight to educate others in the use of aircraft. In many cases a man just took so much before he turned in his badge and wandered back to his blue serge.

Personnel-wise, Lt JEAN BAKER (ex-Camp Gordon) arrived last month and missed the "new arrivals" mentions in the last issue. He moved into the Engineering Department with Lt. BILL WHITE who's making dry runs with his foot locker in anticipation of rotation in May. We expect to have more Engineering O's than mechanics any day now. . .

Cpts BOB SKIMIN and DOUG CULLIMORE coughed up the "loot" bringing the 59th FA to 100%. With the 17th Sig Bn all "bagged" this makes Pirmasens Airfield 100% behind the publication (Please send Certificates.)

Your correspondent, Lt. RAY W. TRUEX, JR.



ALL MINIMUMS MET

FORT CARSON, COLORADO — Here at Ft. Carson, the 57 asgd pilots (8th Inf Div, Post Avn Sec, and separate units) met the minimum requirements for 1954. We're mighty proud of it and wonder if any airfield or base can top this one? . . . The holidays are over and we're all back to duty, of course with but a few bruises and mishaps. Lt. & Mrs. Bruce Frazer and Lt. Detwiler rented a civilian Bonanza and flew to Connecticut for the holidays. . . Good

flight and no mishaps here. Lt Johnston wasn't so lucky. On the way back from N. Y. , and in Pittsfield, Illinois, he skidded on some ice, hit the only culvert in MILES, & completely destroyed his 1954 Ford Convertible. Had to spend the night in a hospital but outside of a stiff hip, he's ok. . . Santa Claus was good to two of our pilots. Col. and Mrs. Charles Lawrence were presented with Susan Elizabeth (5 lbs, 9 oz.) and Lt. and Mrs. LYMAN VASSEY were presented with Terry Lynn (19" high, 7 lb, 6 oz.) . . . Capt WILLIAM KOONS returned from the Flight Safety Course at UCLA and is now one of the 5 graduates on duty with the Army; Capt. VIRGIL HENSON's back from Instrument School with his ticket; Capt JOHN L. DEKKER reported in from XVI Corps (Far East); and departing were: Maj. HAROLD WOLF and Capt. HARRY ZIEGLER (Twin-Eng. School) and Lt. EDWARD PREISENDORFER (Instrument School).

Your correspondent, Lt. EUGENE K. PROSSER

DELETED from the "Who's Who" Questionnaires: Part 11 - Changes during '54 (Promotions, Ratings, Births, etc.): "Nothing, but nothing." - "HF (Hot Ford)" - "Why not "WC" for "Woman Chaser?" - "Wherenell is RA, you Reservist!" "I've got five kids now. What do you want, blood?" - "MF (Mental Flyer)" - "We're not in the same Army, mine doesn't promote." - "My boy would be mad if we didn't list the dog." "No wife, got any leads?" - "SK (Small Kite)" - "Please send me 200 AA Decals." - "Like your Ragazine." Etc, etc. .

IT!

A definite suspense date has been set for this radically-new Army aviation project and selected AA personnel are now reviewing the initial draft of the project in the field. A long-awaited undertaking, the project represents the combined opinions of many. Although it will not be greeted as a panacea, it is certain to stir an immediate reaction. Like any other similar project, it will be greeted with mixed blessings - it is certain to stimulate many and it is certain to disturb many..

As promised in the January '55 issue of "Army Aviation," we will carry the initial comments of those selected AA personnel who have been sent the initial draft. Here are several of the early reports from the field:

Reserve Components: Capt. Frank Rooney (State Supervisor of the downstate NY-NG): "It represents deep thought." - Maj. James E. Murphy (AO of the 94th Infantry Division, Mass-USA?): "Reservists have had it before but not in this format." - Maj. En-sley R. Bennett (Mobilization Designee with Hq, First Army): "Wasn't expecting it at this particular time. It should stimulate all aviation personnel." - Capt. John R Stacy (Advisor to the NJ-NG at Trenton): "It should be given to the NGB."

From Hq, First Army: Maj. L. Wayne Best (AAO): "Army aviation can't live without it." - M/Sgt Thomas D. Ward (Admin NCO): "Can't find it in the AR's but it should be." Capt. Anthony DiResta (AdminO): "Didn't know Army aviation had it." - Sfc. Colman Geary (Line Chief): "It should go far." - Capt. Richard H. Potts (Fit Det Comdr): "I am glad to be in on it."

From the 1st Transportation Group (Avn) at Fort Eustis, Va: Lt. Dixon VanLanduyt: "Wait'll you've had it." - Lt. Col. Robert C. Spiedel (Commanding): "All meat!" Lt. Robert E. Morris (Asst S-3): "Whew!" - Capt. Walter S. Trapp (S-3): "Too hot for me!" Capt. Eugene A. Wilson (ExecO) and WOJG Charles L. Brameier returned classified comments.

From OCAFF Flight Det, Fort Monroe, Virginia: Capt. Guy R. Claybourne (EngrO): "Keep it moving." - Sgt. J. P. Koffel, Jr. (Crew Chief): "It's GOT it." - Maj. Carl A. Colozzi (SuppO): "Well - I'll be go to ----." Maj. Donald L. Wagner and Sfc. George Linerman returned classified comments.

From the Army Aviation Detachment, Fort Belvoir, Va: Maj. Don R. George (AO): "It is really hot." - Cpl. Lillian Unibe (Opns): "What next?" - M/Sgt. Joseph R. Smith: "Hot isn't the word." - Capt. Harvey E. Gill: "Mucho Caliente."

From the OCE, Washington 25, D.C.: Lt. Col. Robert M. Rawls: "The thought is appetizing." - Col. Pierre V. Kieffer, Jr.: "Good advertising for Army aviation." - Col. Alvin C. Welling: "Well done." - Maj. Gen. Bernard L. Robinson and Col. William Whipple reserved comments - Col. Edward G. Herb, (OCE, Comptroller): "Requires minimum funding." - Col. W.F. Powers: "Real gone!"

Reports from the field & typical field "reactions" will again be carried in the March, '55 issue..

Prompt replies (stating full name and position) are to be returned on the DF's provided.

MEMO

To insure "current" news we ask that you forward your news or personals by the FIFTH of the month. By doing this, your article will reach us between the tenth to the eighteenth & we can plan our pages accordingly. Articles that are received between the 20th to the 30th of the month are "shutout" of the issue and by the time the next issue rolls around are no longer "current" copy. We extend an open invitation to YOU to serve as a correspondent.

COLLECTIVE PICTURE

BY
LT COL CHARLES E HOLLIS

When a man in the field experiences difficulty with his aircraft and/or associate equipment he will usually try to find out what's wrong and fix it. He will then include all necessary data in a UR - short for Unsatisfactory Report - to be forwarded to the Transportation Corps Army Aviation Field Service Office, 420 Locust Street, St. Louis 2, Missouri, through such local channels as may be prescribed.

Time will pass and the originator of the UR will wonder why TCAAFSO hasn't come out with official approval of his fix, or other necessary corrective action. He doesn't realize that six other reports may have been received on this same problem. The problems described in these reports may be slightly different than those described in the first one. So, while the one submitted may have corrected one man's trouble temporarily, it wouldn't have helped those other difficulties a bit.

Yet, all the difficulties probably stemmed from the same design fault... If TCAAFSO, through the Air Force, can get together with the manufacturer and agree on a fundamental design change, then everyone will profit. But, when production problems, supply lead time, inter-service coordination, costs, and the hundreds of other headaches involved are considered it is apparent that the overall corrective action is considerably more complicated than it might appear to the man in the field.

Thus it is seen that the Unsatisfactory Report System provides a uniform means for reporting malfunction or unsatisfactory performance of Department of the Army material, equipment and air items. Prompt submission of a "UR" on defective equipment and/or conditions is very important. This report system is the most essential element to a successful modernization and modification program for Army aircraft and allied equipment.

The officer in charge of an organization, unit, or activity wherein an unsatisfactory condition is detected is responsible for submission of the required reports. Reporting unsatisfactory conditions is a particular responsibility of field and organizational maintenance personnel. Commanding Officers should make sure that all personnel realize how important it is that UR's be submitted promptly.

- (1) Failure or malfunction of Army Transportation Corps air items, equipment, or material used by Department of the Army aviation activities prior to its prescribed overhaul or replacement time.
- (2) Unsatisfactory design of equipment or material.
- (3) Defects due to faulty material, workmanship, or quality inspection.

(4) Deterioration of equipment or material due to effects of climate or environmental conditions.

(5) Defects due to improperly accomplished installation or maintenance action.

(6) Discrepancies in Department of the Army or Air Force Technical Publications.

(7) Occurrences involving exposure of personnel to conditions which are harmful to health.

(8) Unsatisfactory performance, handling characteristics, design, or operational deficiencies.

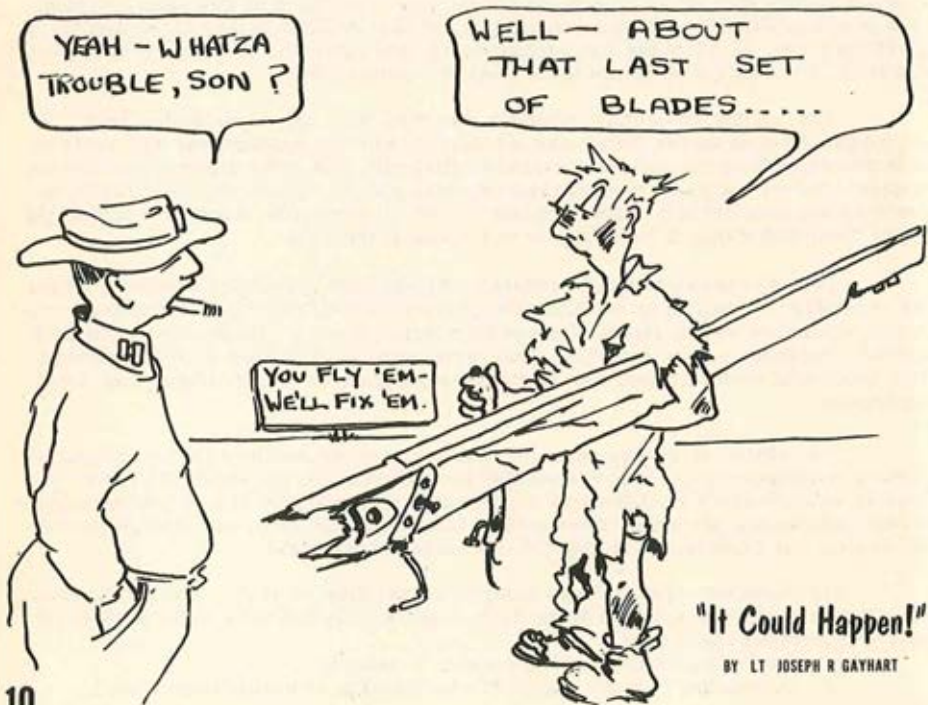
Final determination as to other unsatisfactory conditions to be reported should be made by organization commanders as prescribed by Army Regulations. Photographs, drawings, and supporting data are accomplished whenever practical and submitted with an Unsatisfactory Report in order to clarify conditions.

Unsatisfactory Report exhibits are forwarded through channels with necessary forms attached, as described below. Items small enough to be forwarded by first-class mail may be attached to the Unsatisfactory Report being submitted.

A completed AF Form 50K (UR Tag) is securely attached to the outside of each container in which an Unsatisfactory Report exhibit is packaged and one copy of the DD Form 535 is attached to the exhibit. A voucher number is assigned to the shipping document, which should bear a notation identifying the station, the station Unsatisfactory Report serial number, and the date of the Unsatisfactory Report.

If the UR system is utilized to the fullest extent the man in the field will provide for himself the most safe, up-to-date equipment available at all times.

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BIGGER AND BETTER

FORT BENNING, GEORGIA -- In a recent issue of "Army Aviation," I noticed an article about some aviation company boasting a strength of fifty-one pilots. Well - I wish to tell the aviation world that the Third Division Combat Aviation Company here at Ft. Benning has within its realm fifty-six illustrious pilots. Can you top this?

I might also add that we here in the Third Aviation Company are right proud of our organization since we have in our present ranks some of Army aviation's oldest pilots as well as some of its youngest pilots. Young and old alike, we figure we have the finest of all the organizations of this type in the US. Those who know take this for what it seems to be.

We work hard here in our Company, but we always find time to read "Army Aviation" as it is published each month. This you can plainly see is true in that most of our pilots and many of our enlisted personnel are subscribers. (Ed. Note: Amen, brother!)

Your correspondent, Lt. HAROLD T. CAMPBELL

(Note: The following is a list of personnel in the Third who are full-fledged members of "AA." It is only a partial listing of the unit strength and should NOT be used for comparative statistics.)

Lt. Col. Harry T Shiveley (AO); Maj. Kenworthy D Doak (Exec); Capt's. Eugene W. Dow, Edward L Landry, Richard T McCrady, Arthur B Wood, Edward W Phillips, Robert F Carter, James W Rhinehart, Melvin K Goulding, Earl J Scott, Ferman E Stewart; 1st Lts Joseph Levinson, Robert L Sauberan, and Michael L Baldasare; 2nd Lts Felix J Bessler, William B Long, Kirby D McIntosh, Adolphus A Millings, Cornelius J Radu, James A. Thomas, Thad K Wynn, Harold T Campbell, William H Edwards, Roy E Hoyt, Jr., Carl O. Johnson, Charles R Sloan, and Victor M Tilley and 1st Lt Charles R Miles. M/Sgt Lester Dorsett, SFC Herman W Punke, Sgt James A Shepard, Pfc Robert F Reed, Pvt J.C. Thomas, and WO Benjamin J Reed. (* Listing on 3rd continued at bottom of page.)

If you have any friends listed above - and they, like anyone else, appreciate letters - write to them at this address: Third Infantry Division, Combat Aviation Company, Ft Benning, Ga.

SOME CRUISE!

FORT SAM HOUSTON, TEXAS — Things are pretty calm around this neck of the woods now with the 63rd Med Det and the 47th taking a European cruise. The 47th arrived safely and the latest from their CO (Capt. EARL KUCHERA) indicates they're getting along real well over there. The last elements of the 63rd left here this month. Capt. Willis (BUBBLES) STRAWN is commanding with Capt. Allister Calhoun as Exec. Lts DALE BROWN, WILLIAM HAWKINS, ROBERT WESTERMARK, WILLIAM WILLCOX, and Rice make up their domain.



The 57th and 82nd Med Detachments are still holding down the Fort (Ft. Sam, that is) and the 57th has just completed the first Army Fld Test to be given to a Hcptr Amb Det. . . . We all packed our bags and spent three days in the field at Camp Bullis. The unit was tested in its ability to move full TO&E equipment and personnel to the area of the MASH hospital in a simulated combat mission. We set up operations there and were tested on our maintenance and the operation of our aircraft to complete the mission of evacuating casualties. Of course, there was a lot of CBR and other hazards thrown in but we all now feel as a unit there is much to be gained by this type of test. The 82nd is also scheduled for this test and should complete it within a week.

(* Add Capts Frank Barbour, Rowland Cox, Charles Cummings, Robert Dyer, William Linn, James Matlock, Edward McCarthy, James Weaver, Maurice Wilson, & Lts William Schwartz, George Nisson, James Scudder, William Stephens, and Dennis Whelan, active with the 3rd and all regular "AA" readers.....)

Capt. HERMAN LEACH (CO of the 57th) has the unit "buzzing" in preparing it for "Operation BLUE BOLT" at Fort Hood next month. The unit will move full TO&E to Ft Hood & here again we all should gain some valuable experience in casualty evacuation there.

Your correspondent, 1/Lt. DARRELL C. SLEVIN, MSC

GOOD IDEA!

FORT RILEY, KANSAS — Four H-21-C Helicopters completed the final leg of their flight from the Piasecki factory at Morton, Pa., to Fort Riley's Marshall Field in mid-January flying in freezing rain. Arrival of the four big "Army Work Horses" brought the total of machines of that type at Fort Riley to 12.

The 12 huge "Twin Beater" choppers are being utilized for Transition Flight Training of helicopter pilots from other stations before the operators go to Morton, Pa., where they will pick up machines to air-lift back to their parent units.

WOJG WALTER OXFORD of the 71st Helicopter Battalion was in charge of the flight of four machines that arrived at Fort Riley. Other pilots at the controls included WOJGs EILLY J. FULBRIGHT, John J. Cooney, David R. Saylor, JAMES P. SPEARMAN, Jr., Merle L. Singer, Charles F. Hunger, and Wilbur M. Isenberg. Four enlisted crew chiefs from the 93rd Transportation Helicopter Company also made the flight. They were Cpl. Walter F. Bankston, Jr., Hcs Donald G. Hauff, Ronald W. Little, and John E. McGreal. (PIO, Fort Riley, Kansas)

MORE H-ZI'S

FORT CAMPBELL, KENTUCKY — One highlight of our work here is the Fort Campbell FLYING CLUB, which is operated by the NCO Open Mess, and is open to all military personnel and their dependents. A civilian flight instructor is employed and advisors include Captains R. D. BALDWIN and Everett L. Hamilton. The club consists of over a hundred ACTIVE members and has six aircraft including a Piper Tri-Pacer, a Piper Vagabond, and four Aeronca Champions. Flight instruction is given at cost, and complete aviation ground school is offered on the Post by Austin Peay State College. College credits are given for the courses. . . . All EM are on Class "A" special duty to the Aviation Section here at Fort Campbell. The 84 EM have their own barracks here at Campbell AFB & have constructed a day room under the supervision of 2nd Lt ARLEDGE, TI&E Officer. They are attached to the Air Force Base for rations. . . . The first pilot to graduate from the 11th Airborne Division Instrument School is Capt. Theodore J. Graves, Operations Officer. Capt NEELY BROWN, Third Army Instrument Examiner, stated that he did a fine job.



Mr. HARBISON. . .
I don't like apples.

The Instrument School, under the direction of Capt. TERRY KILMAN, Tng O, and Capt. RICHARD D BALDWIN, AO, runs continuously for eight weeks and the daily schedule consists of a half a day ground school and a half day of flying. The students receive instruction in both L-20's and L-19's. . . . TDY at Camp Rucker, Operation "FOLLOW ME," are 1st Lts W. W. WEST, G. F. Phillips, H. J. Victor, and 2nd Lt E. K. Shelton. To help "umpire" this Operation Capts LEONARD R DENNIS and SAM KALAGIAN were selected, and are at Fort Benning now. . . . Recent arrivals to the section from Germany are Captains JAMES S FOSTER, SAM KALAGIAN, and Lt TOM HOLLAND and from the AAS (Sill) are 2nd Lts Charles Hunsucker and Bill Caddell. . . .

Your correspondent, 2d Lt WILLIAM L ARLEDGE

RECOMMENDED READING: "Castles in the Air," appearing in the Jan-Feb '55 issue of the "Military Engineer" - written by Col. Marvin Ellison, OCE; foreword by Maj. Gen. Samuel D. Sturgis, Jr., Chief, Corps of Engineers, Lt. Col. ROBERT M. RAWLS "The Complete Book of Helicopters" by Doris N. Ahnstrom, N. Y., 1954, by World Publishing Co., \$4.95. DARIO POLITELLA

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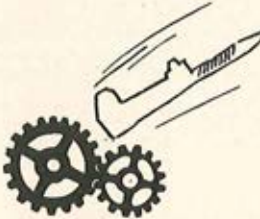
(NOTE: The news "kitty" was fluctuating from BARREN to EMPTY and it appeared that we'd have our first issue in BILLBOARD-size type... But the New Year's Eve haze wore off by about the 10th of January and the correspondents snowed us under AFTER our news deadline... so we're back to Eyeball-Busting... Rumor has it that D/A gives an acuity walver to Subscribers only... yeh... everybody else starts rumors, why can't we?)

REUNION

FORT RILEY, KANSAS — Been busier'n a ground-pounder during his first ride in a chopper... What with ferrying our H-21's from the factory, instructing the Instructors, and having two classes of twelve pilots each arrive just a week apart... Took four trips to get our 12 "Beasts" down from Philly, one of which was detoured by way of Chicago to give the Fifth Army CG and his staff a look-see at our new Gooney-bird w/rotors... WOJG' DAVE DUHAIME plus WOJGs Jim Warren, Howard Proctor and myself flew into Ft. Sheridan late in the afternoon and were greeted by Capt. OTTO HUEBNER and his boys there... Whatever was lacking in facilities was certainly made up in hospitality; the kind that makes you proud of the fact that you're an AA... The first two H-21 transition classes are in from Bragg... like old Home Week with Capt. BILL BLACK, JIM MYERS, F. B. DICKENS, WO's CLAUDE MOORE, LOU FRYE, CLARENCE SHAFER, Bob Hines, JIM (Short Stuff) PAYNE, & JAMES DELANEY, just to mention a few... Upon completion of the transition course they'll repair to the factory and start ferrying H-21's to their own units....

Got a great surprise when we rec'd our first "Beasts." Rumor had it they'd JAR YOUR UPPERS with vibration. We've found it's just the contrary. We've changed its moniker from "Beast" to "Caddy of the Copters.".... Being new to the Army, it's necessarily restricted until we learn more of its capabilities; however, it has tremendous potentials. Design gross is plus 15,000, 110-knots red-line, 450' external sling-load, 20 troops plus pilot and co-pilot and has a powerplant with "Hg you ain't used yet (51.5" max --- cruise 31-32" hg.) That excess of power is something new in rotary-wing as it's usually the other way round. Pilots with tandem-rotor time will find it is a very easy A/C to fly and are in general agreement that this is IT. (Ed. Note: Obviously, the correspondent has been carried away by the H-21... with all due respect to the craft, there is only one IT & IT is mentioned on Page 8... when IT hits Riley, we're certain the H-21 will be eclipsed.)... Duration of the transition course is 3 weeks which covers flight instruction, a review of flight subjects, and a thorough course in maintenance... Maintenance instructors are PFC's Frank Skahill and Art Hielkema, a couple of young soldiers who not only KNOW their business but are capable of transmitting that knowledge to "thicks" like good ol' Watashi... will keep all posted.... Your correspondent, WOJG JAMES D. BRESHEARS (71st Trans Bn)

SHOULD SETTLE SOMETHING!

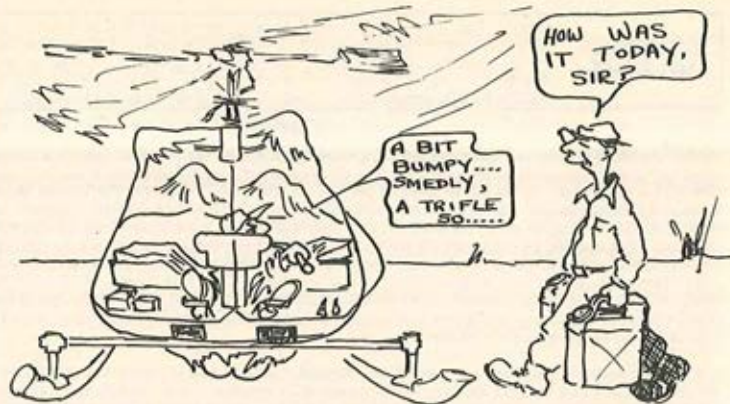


BY DOGSLED FROM "YANKEE" ALASKA — We "Bushmen" of the Far North are about to sound off... Been watchin' and chortlin' over the FEUD between our "cohorts" at Ft. Richardson (Alaska) and the section at Ft. Meade (Md.)... We SHOULD stay out of it, but seein' as how the boys at Ft. Rich are havin' such a rough go of it we figure to raise their morale just a bit by sympathizin' with 'em... The "Bushmen" of the 4th Inf Air Section do get to "the City" once in a while, and every time we visit our friends we get tears in our eyes... It sure is a sad thing the way these boys at Ft. Richardson have to suffer so... Why, it even gets cold in SOUTHERN Alaska! These poor rebels even have to put their shoes on once in a while in order to walk over the way to the Field Maint Det to see about getting someone to pull their props through... Them the rebels said that the temperature even dropped to 19 BELOW one time... This is terrible! If I remember right it WARMED up to 19 BELOW here in Yankee Alaska... These poor boys have so much trouble keepin' their airplanes flyin'.

I understand that one time they even had to change their own sparky plugs cause the Maint Det was on a holiday... Oh well - my old friend and classmate, Capt. LUCIAN WHITMORE, the AO, knows that he has our sympathy. He's an understandin' cuss (I hope).

Our maneuver - "SNOWBIRD" - is about to commence in YANKEE Alaska and the "powers" are hoping for 60 BELOW weather so that Arctic equipment can be properly tested in the field. We, of the 4th Inf Air Sec, only wish that we had some sort of Arctic "kits" for L-19's that we could test. With our present makeshift kits we have something of a problem. Cylinder head temperature of rear cylinders reads about 250 and those poor front cylinders are about 040. When we can catch up with the needle we can even read the oil pressure. On the better side of life we have frost shields on the windows and wheel-ski combos that help immensely... Water in the gasoline is no longer a problem as it has reached the solid state and remains in the bottom of the barrels. Batteries and oil have to be removed EVERY NIGHT and kept in a warm room. Oh yes - we do fly... ice fog permitting... And as the 53rd at Fort Richardson so aptly put it, "It could be much worse."

Our pilots who fly for the Most northern AA Section include: Capt. HUBERT A THOMPSON, Flaviv K SIMMONS, IRA GL'FER, and DONALD P FRANDSEN, and Lts Walter Duke, FRED YAMAGATA and JACK R KALMBACH. Capt Simmons departs for an equatorial assignment at Hq, Fifth Army in March; Lt KALMBACH has assumed the duties of Ops Officer. Our mechanics, to whom we owe so much, are : Sgt. James D. Goodwin; Pfc's Zane Porter, William Ball, Hal Johnson, and Fred Stabbings; and Pvt's Paul D Hetck, Richard E Stout, Daniel Bestel, and supply man, Ralph Goldberg. Your remount, DONALD P. FRANDSEN (Ed. Note: This thesis will probably not sit so well with the SOUTHERN Alaska contingent... We're almost certain that the "Yankee" Bushmen from the North will lose their pool, patio, and cabana privileges at Ft. Rich... Just proves that no matter how bad YOU have it, someone has it worse... or better... or BIGGER... Report from the 3rd Combat Avn Co (Benning) on Page 11 tackled the "BIGGEST" title... The 1st Combat Aviation Co at Hood didn't waste any time in starting to throw.... that is, throw their hats in the ring and throw cold water in the general direction of Benning.)



BY LT JOSEPH R GAYHART

Post Flight

ALL THE WAY OR NOTHING

ANSBACH, GERMANY — In opening let me say that I must beg the forgiveness of the personnel here for omitting the names of our stations in past reports. Our Hq is located in Ansbach, Germany, and we have attached units located here as well as at Crailsheim, Schwabisch Hall, Nurnberg, and Erlangen - all in Germany. Since our last report we have picked up a lot of homeless drivers and all have either joined or are joining the ranks of those who support "AA." At five pilots to a unit, we plan to latch on to a lot of those 100% Award Certificates. Two recent arrivals in our "family" here at the 18th FA Group are Maj GORDON L KINLEY (70th AFA Bn) and Maj. EJNER J PULSANG, JR., (979th FA Bn). Both are assigned as Executive Officers in their respective outfits. We're happy to learn that Maj. JAMES H (Jim) HOUSE is completing Helicopter School prior to beginning his new assignment as Avn Advisor to the Iowa-NG. If you have a lost friend, he might be with us. Here's a rundown on the AA's here: Capts. WAYNE E WOLTZ, VIRGIL L O'DELL, KENNETH E MCGAUGHEY, DONALD J RITZ, CLIFFORD R STEWART, and EUGENE H SPEAKES; 1st Lts HOWARD L PREMO and RICHARD E MURPHY; and 2nd Lts ELVIN G BAKER, ALLEN D SUTOR, DAVID R TIBBETTS, CLARENCE D DORMAN, and JOSEPH P WHELTON.

The line chiefs at Ansbach are also 100%ers - Sgt TIMOTHY E CROWLEY (793rd FA) with a "Lucky Fin" several issues back and SFC ALBERT A GROSCLAUS (18th FA Gp) and SFC ROBERT B CLEVELAND (979th FA) included in a new list of subscribers. Your correspondent, Capt. WAYNE E. WOLTZ, Arty, GAO

IDEAL FOR 'COPTERS

ICELAND — Two big events!... The first was bringing Santa Claus to Keflavik Air Force Base for the Base children. Santa arrived as by script - in a flurry of snow via H-13G helicopter flown by Capt. JULIAN HAWKINS! It was quite impressive and both children and adults enjoyed it immensely. Second big event. It gives me great pleasure in forwarding the four subscriptions for Pfc RAUL MELENDEZ and PATRICK L RUSSO & Pvs THOMAS L ENGHOUSEN and HEINZ FREITAG, thereby making our 99th FA Battalion, 100% subscribed on BOTH pilots and crewmen. I feel that there are a great many aviation personnel who take a great deal of pride in our magazine and in taking it for granted, do not realize the loss if its publication were to cease. I hope that it is supported 100% in all sectors for we certainly appreciate it here in this remote sector.

Our flying has been held to a bare minimum due to the weather. When we are able to get into the air usually shuttling Christmas and other mail to a Security Camp 60 miles distant. Our estimated cargo weight is 700 lbs per flight! We have found ideal flying conditions here for rotary-wing aircraft in so far as it being cool the year round, located at sea level, etc. By the same token, light fixed-wing aircraft have no place here. The existing conditions of high winds and available facilities combined with long taxiing at the airport and no alternate strips, plus the constant hazard of extremely few forced-landing fields practically excludes the use of the L-19. Your correspondent, (Lt.) BOB WARNER, 99th FA, 74th Inf RCT

TWOSOME

IAGS (PERU PROJECT), LIMA, PERU — Enclosed is two US dollars for two "Who's Whos"... Although Pfc. Castillo and I are assigned to the 937th Engineer Company (Aviation) of Fort Clayton, Canal Zone, our permanent duty station is here in Lima, Peru. Our mission here is rendering support of the Peru Project of the Inter-American Geodetic Survey. For the support at the present time we are using one L-19 aircraft for low altitude photography and reconnaissance along the entire coast of Peru from the northern border of Chile to the southern border of Ecuador (from 3 to 18 degrees South of the Equator), a distance of about eighteen hundred air miles. It gets a little lonesome here and we'd appreciate any and all mail from our far-flung friends. Sincerely,
 Capt. Henry P. Leighton, Jr., CE
 (Ed Note: Corresponding address is IAGS, US Embassy, Lima, Peru, S.A.)

HOOD'S 59 VARIETIES

FORT HOOD, TEXAS — Just got back to Ft Hood recently from Camp Rucker where I took an H-19 checkout. . . Brought an H-19 back. . . I certainly enjoyed the 2-weeks Transition Course in H-19's; it's a wonderful airplane. We have fifty-nine pilots assigned to the 1st Combat Aviation Company here and will have 39 aircraft when they all arrive. The breakdown is seven H-19's, four L-20's, 14 L-19's, and 14 H-23's. As Asst ComMO to Captain Jack Colborn, we've had our hands full getting radio equipment installed for the forthcoming maneuvers, so the two weeks at Rucker were sort of a breather. If you run across of HAROLD (Hot Dog) BURR, the bathtub mogul of Connecticut, give him my regards. Sincerely, Lt. LUTHER S. LOLLAR, Sig Corps



LIVE WIRES

CAMP HANFORD, WASHINGTON — Capt. ELLSWORTH T. ("Rocky") RHODES and our chopper have been the favorite subject of the local news people for the past month or so, and photos of same have made the front pages a couple of times in connection with stories on Santa Claus and publicity for the movie, "This Is Your Army." . . . Even I was indirectly mentioned once when I made an attempt to rescue a couple of engineers from a rock in the Columbia River near Rock Island Dam, 80 mi. north of here. I was a fraction late, but for the effort received a nice letter from the State Patrol. Returning home after dark, I ran short of fuel and made an emergency landing near a sub-station on the Bonneville powerline below Priest Rapids. The station operator briefed me on the voltage in the lines which bounded me on all sides; the lowest figure he mentioned was 66,000 and that happened to be the ONLY line I had seen. Had fuel brought out from one of our batteries not too far away and got off again after two hours. . . . Getting night time is no big problem with us; many of our missions involving night operation. Sixth Army sent us a TWX saying they were authorized to waive hood requirements where indicated by conditions. We take that to mean that they do so waive them in our case. Almost sent another PCS, but to my boundless joy, circumstances altered the case and now it's my boss, "Rocky" RHODES, who is pulling up stakes next month for an as yet indefinite period of TDY down in southern Nevada. "Rocky" RHODES welcomes the chance to get with a bunch of pilots and AIRPLANES again, while even that doesn't lure me from the comforts - and economies - of family life. . . . With "Rocky" gone, I'll be on the hook here at Camp Hanford 24 x 7 x 52 until he gets back, so there certainly isn't any time to go to Ft Lewis for hood time. So much for us lads in the Minor League. Capt. "Johnie" KERNS

"BORED EAGLES"

STUTTGART, GERMANY — Greetings from the personnel of the 97th Sig Bn Avn Section. . . Even more appropriate inclosed you'll find 6 applications for the Yearbook, the seventh being that of Lt. LOUIS H JACQUAY, newly-arrived member of this Section who deposited his form at GI-NY before sailing. . . The seven, garnered with absolutely no effort, represent a 100% participation on the part of this section. My subscription to "AA" is inclosed making it (6) out of (7) possible as far as "AA" is concerned. The LONE holdout is weakening fast and has been reduced to that old argument, "With six copies already coming to this section monthly, why should I pay for what I can read free?" SHREIK!! We are considering excommunication as well as several other refined tortures for this heresy and are hoping to make a convert of him. . . . With the true winter season upon us we are doing very little flying these days. Our enforced idleness is leading some of our easily bored "eagles" along paths which will undoubtedly make them candidates for that other elite group with the same initials, i. e., "ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS." From my vantage point of Flight Leader - hic - this prospect, at the moment, has none of the aspects of the fate worse than death that will inevitably come with the spring hangover. But till then, with mud in MY eye, I can only say, "Bottoms up." Your reporter, Capt. FRANK G. COOK, Sig C

PASS THE POI, BOY!

HAWAII — The dreams of many Korean months have finally come true, and the AA's of the 25th Inf Division are finally back home in the land of pineapple, coconuts, and grass skirts. We arrived here with a FULL T/O of pilots, and have since received a full T/O of aircraft - NOT the wrecks we were flying in Korea, but new stuff right out of the factory shipping crates. Maj. DONALD A. BAKER is the DAO, with Capt. HAROLD E LOCKHART as his chief asst. Lt. PAUL E CLARK heads the DivArty pilots and Capt. Jack O Jarvis, John A Willis, and DONALD W FISHER lead the regimental air sections. Other Div-AA's are: Lts Kenneth Calcaterra, JAMES W CHAPPELL, Bob Eyeman, Donald Gausvic, Howard Hall, Eugene N Jones, D.W. Kinkle, Arthur Kinney, QUINTON MARSHALL, Walter J McEver, Robert M Stuart, ROBERT S SWINNEY, Jay Tipton, and Billy Taylor. The DivArty roster includes: Kenneth J Brennan, JAMES R. COOK, John P Browne, DAVID R DILLINGER, ERNEST HAFERS, John P Johnston, Elden E Kitchen, and GUS E MEISENHEIMER. To date, most of our time has been spent in flying around the islands and getting acquainted and taking various members of the units for orientation rides. But a big program is in the wind with plenty of Island-hopping for all AA's. . .



There is also an instrument program in the set-up stage to be started this month. Lt. Gausvic and several of the others are setting the program in operation. We have received a lot of help from the oldtimers on the island in getting settled. Our thanks go to USARPAC Avn Section, the Hawaii-NG, and the Hawaii ANG, among others. . . Will sign off with an "Aloha" from the Tropic Lightning Division and a notam that our address is still the same as before: 25th Div Air Sec, APO 25, SF, California. . . . We may not be the BIGGEST, or the BES F, or log the most I-time, but at this point I can honestly say that we're the HAPPIEST unit.

Your correspondent, 1st Lt ROBERT S. SWINNEY

WHO'S WHO ODDITY: Of 1,103 separate Questionnaires returned by Army aviation personnel, only TWO men wear "The Red Badge of Courage." Although only the ages of children were requested, both listed the age of their wives. *Twas censored, of course.

ON INSIDE FRONT COVER

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AHATC 55-H (Camp Rucker, 10 Jan-12 Feb, '55): Standing, Left to Right: Lts EDWARD E ADAMS, Phillip F. Lindh; Capts MORRIS W DUGGER and LEROY B HARE; Lt WILLIAM H WOLFF; Capt STORY C STEVENS; Lts FRANK R WILSON and HILTON E PUGH; Capts SAMUEL E TILLERY, WILFORD W WELCH, and JERRY J NORTON; Lt FELTON M BAKER; Capt Marquis D Hilbert; Lts EDDIE L FORD and WILLIAM D BRANDON; Capt. STANLEY J MORUD; Majors CORNELIUS SIPKES and YANCEY H BIVINGS, Jr. . . . Kneeling, Left to Right: Lts RICHARD K MUKAEDA and JIMMY D DeLOACH; Capts DANIEL H PRESCOTT and ROBERT H WEBB; Lt HARVEY E STEWART; Capt MATT MONTEE, Lt Jimmie E Johnson; Maj. GERALD L HOUGH. (USAF Photo, Gary)

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"Remember When?" Photo of AHPTC 55 T-H: Left to Right: Standing: Capt John Newbern; Lts Donald A Smith and DONALD W COGGINS; Capts JOHN P WESTPHAL, Paul L Nelson, ROBERT W BRITT, THAD L FARRIS, & Jack H DeWitt; Lts. LOUIS H JACQUAY and DENNIS J WHELAN, Capt. PAUL C SWINK, JR. . . Kneeling: Lts. John W Carpenter and Maurice C Avery; Capts Weyman S Carver and PHILLIP C HEATH; Lts JACK R KALMBACH and Rudolph D Descoteau; Capt Lonnie L Moseley; Lt BRROKS HOMAN. . . Sitting: Lt EDWARD G POLANSKI; Lt Col Clyde M Turner; Capt DON MacIVOR. (Candid by Lt. EDWARD G POLANSKI, Conn-NG).

- (3) Lt. JAMES A BOYER, 303rd Signal Battalion, Fort Huachuca, Arizona, a rising "ACE" with 18 definites. . . .
 (4) A medical attendant and helicopter mechanics remove a patient that was brought by H-25 "Twin Beater" Helicopter from a hospital in Bernice, Nebraska, to Fort Riley, Kansas, into a waiting ambulance to take the injured man to the US Army hospital at Fort Riley. (Photo and caption story by PIO, IX Corps, Fort Riley).
 (5) The "AT EASE KID," Capt. JERRY NORTON, boning up between flights at Helicopter Primary. (Capt NORTON's black & white print by Maj GERALD L HOUGH; Maj HOUGH's black & white eye by Capt NORTON). . . .

ON OPPOSITE PAGE

- 6) A Sikorsky H-19 helicopter with attached sling airlifts a disabled Cessna L-19 to repair units. (US Army photo submitted by 1st Armd Division, 1st Combat Aviation Company, Fort Hood, Texas).
 7) The new Beechcraft F35 Bonanza - sixth improved version of the all-metal plane - cruises at 184 mph, has a top speed of 194 mph, and a range of 775 miles. Powered by a 205 hp Continental engine, with a 225 hp Continental engine offered as optional. "New look:" 3rd window on each side of cabin, new exterior - white top plus newest colors available to the industry for the lower fuselage and wings, strengthened landing gear, nose ribs added to the flaps - full gross weight: 2,750 lbs.
 8) Commercial version of the DeHavilland "Otter," all-metal transport airplane. Gross weight, 7,600 lbs; built to operate on wheels, floats, skis, or wheel-skis; Standard seating provides 9 passenger seats and one beside the pilot or 14 passengers with bench-type military seats; cargo payload in excess of one ton; fitted with Wasp R1340 Engine; 325 BHP-329 CV; maximum range 1,068 miles.
 9) Maj EARL L. RUSSELL, C. O. of the 2nd Infantry Division's Aviation Company (Provisional), showing that he is right at home in a helicopter. Maj RUSSELL organized the 1st Helicopter Ambulance Company in Korea, responsible for the evacuation of 16,000 wounded soldiers. (US Army Photo, PIO, 2nd Inf Div, Ft. Lewis, Wash)
 10) Bryce Wilson, new Military Relations Manager for Hiller Helicopters, Palo Alto, California. Formerly with the Army General Staff in Washington as Executive Assistant to the Undersecretary on the President's Air Coordinating Committee, (Lt. Col.) Wilson's background includes sixteen years of flying, and serving as a member of the original group of Army pilots who tested the feasibility of incorporating aircraft operation into military units.
 11) A "Strip Tease" photo to end all "Strip Tease" photos. Uncaptioned, undated, unknown, and probably uninteresting photo of aircraft in the pre-United States Army Air Force days. The photo has defied identification by oldtimers and "Johny-Come-Lately's" alike, all of whom can't seem to match the real estate pictured with a current ARMY installation.

ON PAGE 21

- 12-Top) Quote: "Enclosed photo of Army Aviation Section here at Wood (Ft. Leonard Wood, Mo.), a group of AA personnel who are egotistical enough to want to see our "Mugs" in the publication, and who only hope that none of our former creditors feel the same. . . . Little sleigh on the Chopper was placed there to add realism to the arrival of Santa at the Post children's Christmas Party on the 19th of December. . . Although it's a little late, the greetings still go to all other AA's and crewmen, and to all subscribers too." (Candid by Capt. JACK C. COFFMAN, OpnsO) BACK ROW (L. to R.): Maj PAULEY, Lts GALLIHER and PAQUETTE, Cpl Smith, Pvs McConnell, McGrath, and Adams, Cpls STOMMELL and Houghton, Pvt Russell, Pfc CANTY, & Pvt. Kendrick. BOTTOM ROW (L. to R.): Capt COFFMAN; Lts DEHS, DOWDY, DAVIDSON, and DYE; Cpl FITZSIMMONS; and Pvs YAMAMOTO and SCHILLING. (Ed. . . Only hope others are "egotistical" and submit similar group photos. . . Only suggestion: include first names and middle initials in captioning of photographs.)
 12-Bottom) Lt. Col. MILLER T. NESBITT, President, Bd of Flight Examiners, Hq, Seventh Army, and a full-fledged member of the "ACES CLUB" with 7 confirmed "kills." (Dirty pool by Editor; this was remitted as a Yearbook photo, but we're short on "ACES" photos this month, or more correctly, our "ACES" are still shy.)
 13 Left) Up and coming "ACE" and regular correspondent, Maj. AARON G. ATKESON, AO of the 71st Division Artillery at Fort Lewis, Washington. . . His "Bag?" . . . Eleven "kills."
 13 Right) This month's STRIP TEASE. . . . Where is it? . . . If a pilot, you've definitely landed on it and may even have "overshot" it. . . . Submitted by Capt. FRED HIATT. . . Don't look for the answer here. . . it's on P.29



Captions on Page 16





LISTED BELOW ARE THE NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF SUBSCRIBERS WHO RECENTLY CHANGED THEIR ADDRESS AND REMITTED THIS INFORMATION ON A "CHANGE OF ADDRESS CARD." THE EFFECTIVE DATE LISTED AT THE RIGHT IS NOT NECESSARILY THE INITIAL DATE OF ARRIVAL AT THE NEW STATION. IT IS THE EFFECTIVE DATE UPON WHICH WE RECEIVED THE NOTIFICATION AND CHANGED OUR STENCILS. IF YOU WISH TO KEEP YOUR FRIENDS POSTED ON YOUR MAILING ADDRESS, DROP US A CHANGE OF ADDRESS CARD (OR A POSTCARD) AND WE'LL BE HAPPY TO CARRY YOUR FULL ADDRESS HERE. A DASH LISTING HERE HAS NOT BEEN CONFIRMED BY THE INDIVIDUAL.

- 1) Ruby, Jack W., Maj., to Senior Aviation Advisor, Hq, KMAG, APO 102, San Francisco, Calif (eff 14 Jan)
- 2) Krakower, Albert, Capt., to Associate Advanced Officers Course, Fort Monmouth, N. J. (eff 11 Jan)
- 3) Howell, William G., Maj., to 506th Transportation Co (Hcptr), Fort Benning, Georgia. (eff 17 Jan)
- 4) Lefebvre, Bernard R., Lt., to Hq Co, Transportation Group (Avn), 9224-5-TU-TC, Ft Eustis (eff 17 Jan)
- 5) Hale, William C., Maj., to 20th Engineer Combat Battalion, Fort Bragg, North Carolina. (eff 17 Jan)
- 6) Knowles, Robert B., Capt., to 40th Field Artillery Group, Fort Carson, Colorado. (eff 12 Jan)
- 7) Bedford, Paul E., M/Sgt., 7678th Transportation AAM Detachment, APO 174, New York, NY (eff 5 Jan)
- 8) Packer, Jacob L., Capt., Transportation Div, Hq, USAREUR, APO 403, New York, New York (eff 9 Jan)
- 9) Gilbert, Leslie H., Capt., to 29th Engineer Co (Survey Base), Box B, APO 74, S. F., Calif. (eff 10 Jan)
- 10) Ramsey, Edward L., Lt. Col., to Headquarters, 1262nd Army Service Unit, Fort Dix, N. J. (eff 7 Jan)
- 11) Mulkern, James A., Capt., to 29th Engr Bn (Base Topo), APO 500, San Francisco, Calif. (eff 30 Dec)
- 12) Powell, Louis G., Sgt., to 580th Transportation Co (Hcptr), Fort Bragg, North Carolina. (eff 10 Jan)
- 13) Marohn, Ralph L., M/Sgt., to Avn Co (Prov), 2nd Infantry Division, Fort Lewis, Wash. (eff 14 Jan)
- 14) Rodepierre, Jean R., Capt., to Avn Sec, TC Div, Hq, USAREUR, APO 403, New York, NY. (eff 4 Jan)
- 15) Strawn, Willis G., Capt., to 63rd Med Det (Hcptr Ambulance), APO 180, New York, New York. (eff 7 Jan)
- 16) Parks, Robert H., Capt., to Flight Detachment, MAAG J, APO 500, San Francisco, Calif. (eff 3 Jan)
- 17) Phillips, William G., Capt., to Class #11, Stu Off Det, Transportation School, Ft Eustis, Va. (eff 17 Jan)
- 18) Thompson, Kenneth R., 2d Lt., to PO Box 791, Gary Air Force Base, San Marcos, Texas. (eff 19 Jan)
- 19) Haas, Lotal B., 2d Lt., 55 K-H, 3587th Stud Sqdn, Box 841, Gary AFB, San Marcos, Texas. (eff 19 Jan)
- 20) Stevens, Story C., Capt., AHATC 55-H, Army Aviation School, Camp Rucker, Alabama. (eff 10 Jan)
- 21) Wann, Henry S., Maj., to 6 Richland Drive, Denbigh, Virginia. (eff 10 Jan)
- 22) Sherrock, John R., Cpl., to Class #66, Artillery OCS, Fort Sill, Oklahoma. (eff 8 Jan)
- 23) Miller, Richard E., Sgt., to 6021st SU Overseas Replacement Station, Ft. Lewis, Wash. (eff 10 Jan)
- 24) Carrillo, Arnold R., to 1201st ASU, Flight Detachment, Fort Jay, New York, New York. (eff 14 Jan)
- 25) Brameier, Charles L., WOJG, to Hq & Hq Co, T Gp (Avn), 9224-5 TU TC, Ft. Eustis, Va. (eff 10 Jan)
- 26) Caudle, Roy C., Lt., to 1st Cavalry Division, APO 201, San Francisco, California. (eff 10 Jan)
- 27) Hall, William W., 2d Lt., to 37th Med Det (Hcptr Amb), APO 20, San Francisco, California. (eff 11 Jan)
- 28) Simon, Paul A., SFC, to 98th Transportation Det (AAR), Fort Riley, Kansas. (eff 10 Jan)
- 29) Lull, William C., Lt., Hq, USAREUR Com-Z, APO 58, New York, New York. (eff 10 Jan)
- 30) Moody, Douglas M., Capt., to AASTD, Board #5, OCAFF, Camp Rucker, Alabama. (eff 10 Jan)
- 31) Eliasson, Arne H., Maj., to Army Aviation Center, Camp Rucker, Alabama. (eff 16 Dec)
- 32) Melaven, Donald G., 2d Lt., to Off Student Co., AAS Regiment, Camp Rucker, Alabama. (eff 18 Dec)
- 33) Priem, Charles M., 1st Lt., to Staff and Faculty, Army Aviation School, Camp Rucker, Ala. (eff 13 Dec)
- 34) Smith, James C., Capt., to 3rd Combat Avn Co, 3rd Infantry Division, Ft. Benning, Ga. (eff 15 Dec)
- 35) Vella, Leo J., 1st Lt., to Lake Street, Cleveland, New York. (eff 7 Dec)
- 36) Robinson, Doyle F., Sgt., to P. O. Box 353, Ivanhoe, California. (eff 7 Dec)
- 37) Bonner, Patrick J., Pvt., to RD #1, Bayshore, L. I., New York. (eff 7 Dec)
- 38) Hill, James F., Capt., to Hdqrs, 37th Engineer Group, APO 165, New York, New York. (eff 10 Jan)
- 39) Cooke, Horace G., Capt., to KMAG Air Section, 8202nd AU, APO 102, San Francisco, Calif. (eff 10 Jan)
- 40) Figueroa, Josus, to 105 Palo Seco Road, Bay View, Catano, Puerto Rico. (eff 20 Dec)
- 41) France, Paul W., Lt., to H & S Co, 1402nd Engineer Bn (C), APO 164, New York, New York. (eff 10 Jan)
- 42) McGowan, Frederick W., Capt., to 7787th AU, Hq, USAREUR, APO 403, New York, N. Y. (eff 15 Dec)
- 43) Johnson, William G., to Box 652, Dewey, Oklahoma. (eff 30 Dec)
- 44) Thompson, Jack H., Lt., to Box 179, Fort Kobbe, Canal Zone. (eff 28 Dec)
- 45) Erhardt, Chris., Capt., to 30th Engr Group (Topo Surv), R. Winfield Scott, California. (eff 12 Dec)
- 46) Dowdy, George L., 2d Lt., to 1139 Belvue, University City 14, Missouri. (eff 23 Dec)
- 47) Moore, Cortez E., M/Sgt., to 6006th SU, Fort Lewis, Washington. (eff 22 Dec)
- 48) Sumeck, Edward J., 1st Lt., to AATC 55-B, Off Stud Co, AAS Regt, Camp Rucker, Alabama. (eff 29 Dec)
- 49) Wright, Johnie, Jr., 1st Lt., to Route #4, Cookeville, Tennessee. (eff 28 Dec)
- 50) Christiansen, Arthur A., Capt., to 3rd LAS, APO 358, San Francisco, California. (eff 27 Sep)
- 51) Schultz, Charles H., Sgt., to Hq Co, 24th Infantry Division, APO 24, San Francisco, Calif. (eff 25 Dec)
- 52) Chipman, John L., Lt., to 420 Second Street, Findlay, Ohio. (eff 10 Jan)
- 53) Wilson, Bryce, (Lt. Col-USAR), to 87 Melanie Lane, Atherton, California. (eff 1 Jan)
- 54) Dare, Afton, Capt., to 93rd TAAM Company, APO 46, New York, New York, N. Y. (eff 10 Jan)

NOTE: Starting with the next issue (March, '55) "PCS" Listings will be placed on a CLIP-OUT page for insertion in the back of the "Who's Who Yearbook." The numbering sequence in the "Who's Who" will be followed in the above listings, thereby assuring alphabetization of the listings and assuring you of an up-to-date Yearbook throughout the year. "PCS" Listings for those personnel not listed in the Yearbook will continue as above, the listing having a standard numbering sequence. The "CONGRATULATIONS" Page of each issue will also be a CLIP-OUT page which should keep you abreast of the new ratings, promotions, births, etc. throughout the year.



CHANGES OF ADDRESS OR RESIDENCE
AS REMITTED ON CHANGE OF ADDRESS
CARDS.

- 55) Bivings, Yancey H. Jr., Maj., to Trans Sec, Hq, Fourth Army, Fort Sam Houston, Texas, . . . (eff 13 Feb)
- 56) Burch, Alvin F., Capt., 19th Assoc. Engr Off Advanced Crs, Fort Belvoir, Virginia, . . . (eff 1 Jan)
- 57) Johnson, Albert A., Capt., to 6021st SU Overseas Repl Sta, Fort Lewis, Washington, . . . (eff 6 Jan)
- 58) Hodge, James R., Maj., to TCAAFSO, 420 Locust Street, St. Louis 2, Missouri, . . . (eff 13 Jan)
- 59) Hall, Harold K., Capt., to 7705th AU Trans Center, APO 403, New York, New York, . . . (eff 10 Jan)
- 60) Rogers, Leon L., WOJG, to Hq & Sv Co, AAS Regt, 3461 ASU, Rotary-Wing Dept, Cp Rucker, . . . (eff 5 Jan)
- 61) Crouch, James C., Lt., to 46th TC (AAM), APO 613, San Francisco, California, . . . (eff 10 Jan)
- 62) Rosa, Frank Y. Jr., 2d Lt., to PO Box 576, Gary AFB, San Marcos, Texas, . . . (eff 4 Jan)
- 63) Patton, Karl S., Maj., to 8324 MR. Baldy, El Paso, Texas, . . . (eff 3 Jan)
- 64) Lala, John T., Maj., to Army Aviation Section, Fort Monmouth, New Jersey, . . . (eff 3 Jan)
- 65) Greene, John H. Jr., WO, 6th Transportation Company (Hcptr), APO 547, S. F., California, . . . (eff 30 Dec)
- 66) Perkins, Frank A., Capt., 112 Searight Drive, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, . . . (eff 4 Jan)
- 67) Major, G. G., M/Sgt., to 6511th SU, Idaho-NGUS Advisor Gp, PO Box 1098, Boise, Idaho, . . . (eff 10 Jan)
- 68) Duffy, Robert N., Capt., to 12th Infantry Regiment, APO 165, New York, New York, . . . (eff 4 Jan)
- 69) Armfield, William F., Capt., to 529th FA (Obsn) Battalion, APO 164, New York, New York, . . . (eff 10 Jan)
- 70) Walker, Samuel S., Lt., to Stud Off Detachment, TCOC #11, Fort Eustis, Virginia, . . . (eff 10 Jan)
- 71) Aloisio, Anthony J., Mr., to 1064 Walton Avenue, Bronx 52, New York, . . . (eff 8 Jan)
- 72) Tedesco, William J., 1st Lt., to 148th Trans Det (AAR), Ft Sam Houston, Texas (DASO #241) (eff 18 Jan)
- 73) Kinnison, Lewis A., Jr., to 10th Inf Div Flt Det, Fort Riley, Kansas, . . . (DASO #250) (eff 1 Feb)
- 74) Fleming, Bobby J., Lt., to 410-B Washington Boulevard, Ft. Winfield Scott, California, . . . (eff 26 Jan)
- 75) Stephens, Wayne L., Lt., to Box 432, Gary Air Force Base, San Marcos, Texas, . . . (eff 26 Jan)
- 76) Rudder, Paul L., Capt., to 3461st SU, AAS Regiment, Camp Rucker, Ala, . . . (DASO 254), . . . (eff 10 Jan)
- 77) Baker, Harold L., Capt., to H-19 Trans Crs, AAS, Camp Rucker, Ala, . . . (DASO 254), . . . (eff 1 Apr)
- 78) Harris, Glyn M., Capt., to H-19 Trans Crs, AAS, Camp Rucker, Ala, . . . (DASO 254), . . . (eff 1 Apr)
- 79) Chapman, John L., 1st Lt., to H-19 Trans Crs, AAS, Camp Rucker, Ala, . . . (DASO 254), . . . (eff 1 Apr)
- 80) Gayhart, Joseph R., 1st Lt., to H-19 Trans Crs, AAS, Camp Rucker, Ala, . . . (DASO 254), . . . (eff 1 Apr)

Congratulations!



PROMOTED TO MAJOR

- Captain Alwin R. Hackbarth, (Wisconsin-USAR), 5537 North Thirty-Seventh Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, . . .
- Captain L. L. McCullough, en route from USAREUR, Com-Z, to Army Aviation School, Camp Rucker, Alabama

PROMOTED TO CAPTAIN

- 1st Lt. Russell E. Baugh, Hq, 16th Armored Field Artillery Battalion, Aviation Section, APO 34, New York, NY
- 1st Lt. George A. Crowell, 35th Engineer Combat Battalion (Air Section), APO 1, New York, New York, . . .
- 1st Lt. Charles W. Jones, 101 Grimes Street, Fort Bragg, North Carolina, . . .
- 1st Lt. Robert B. McFeeters, Aviation Department, Transportation School, Fort Eustis, Virginia, . . .
- 1st Lt. Frank S. Nichols, Quarters 432-C, Presidio of San Francisco, California, . . .
- 1st Lt. William E. Koons, Hq and Hq Battery, 8th Infantry Division, Fort Carson, Colorado, . . .
- 1st Lt. Donald J. Ritz, 979th Field Artillery Battalion, APO 177, New York, New York, . . .
- 1st Lt. James W. Rhinehart, 3rd Infantry Division, 3rd Combat Aviation Company, Fort Benning, Georgia, . . .
- 1st Lt. Arthur B. Wood, 3rd Infantry Division, 3rd Combat Aviation Company, Fort Benning, Georgia, . . .

PROMOTED TO SERGEANT FIRST CLASS

- Sergeant William S. Slater, Army Flight Detachment, APO 777, New York, New York, . . .

PROMOTED TO CORPORAL

- Pfc. Arthur F. Drummond, 7689th Hq and Hq Co, Aviation Platoon, APO 168, New York, New York, . . .
- Pfc. Robert L. Crosby, 58th Medical Department (Helicopter Ambulance), APO 541, New York, New York, . . .
- Pfc. John E. Gay, 7689th Headquarters & Headquarters Co, Aviation Platoon, APO 168, New York, New York, . . .
- Pfc. Paul R. Law, 7689th Headquarters & Headquarters Co, Aviation Platoon, APO 168, New York, New York, . . .
- Pfc. Willard E. Vaughn, 7689th Headquarters & Headquarters Co, Avn Platoon, APO 168, New York, New York, . . .

SENIOR ARMY AVIATOR RATING

- Captain James F. Bardsmecht, c/o Adjutant General, State of Montana, PO Box 1157, Helena, Montana, . . .
- Major George E. Bean, Box 54, Fort Kobbe, Canal Zone, . . .
- Major Charles H. Posz, 50th Armored Division Airstrip (NJ-NG), Linden Airport, Linden, New Jersey, . . .
- Lt. Col. Gerald H. Shea, 71st Transportation Battalion (Helicopter), Fort Riley, Kansas, . . .
- Major Vernon L. Poynter, III Corps, Fort Hood, Texas, . . .
- Major Jack W. Ruby, Senior Aviation Advisor, Hq, KMAG, APO 102, San Francisco, California, . . .
- Captain Leslie H. Shumway, Army Avn Advisor, Army-NG Hangar, Berry Field, Nashville 11, Tennessee, . . .
- Captain Aldrick H. Wilson, Hq, KMAG, 8202nd AU, APO 102, San Francisco, California, . . .
- Captain Richard H. Scott, 6th Infantry Division, Fort Ord, California, . . .

JUNIOR AA's

- Lieutenant and Mrs. Luther S. Lollar, Fort Hood, Texas; an Aviator, Michael Dennis, born February 12th, . . .
- Captain and Mrs. John W. Mordan, Northumberland, Pa; an Aviator, Phillip Jay, born December 1st, . . .
- Captain and Mrs. Thomas O. Turner, US Forces, Austria; An Aviator - landed the last week in December, '54.

"10 Most Wanted!"



The Gumshoes worked overtime last month and turned in a great many of our "Missing Men." Our thanks to these people who take the time to drop us a card and let us know the whereabouts of our travellin' subscribers. A DD Form 415 (free) or a 2¢ postcard on a PCS would obviate this listing but just as long as we've got absent-minded subscribers we'll have a "Ten Most Wanted." Here's the current crew:

Capt. James C. Crawford	Capt. Emil R. Day	Lt. Walter G. Dermatis	WOJG Harold E Marks
Lt. C. A. Mateer	Lt. W. D. Medford	Lt. Delbert J. Ott	Lt. Walter L. Payne
Cpl. George P. Petrak	Lt. Leo Pluta	Lt. Eucie D. Spencer	

Given the "Full Name Treatment" in previous issues (and now carried by initials only to save space) are the following subscribers. In ALL instances issues sent to the last address provided by them have been returned by the Postal Service as "Removed."

Maj APB	Capt CB	Lt CBB	M/Sgt CJD	Lt JDD	Capt RHD
WOJG CJJ	Lt JRE	Capt DWF	Mrs JDG	Lt JEG	Lt FGH
Lt WCH	Lt JBH	Capt SJH	Lt RMJ	Lt CLK	Capt JOL
Capt EMc	Lt DGM	Lt WIS	Capt WIT	Lt RLW	Maj LFW

Lucky Fins!

As a subscriber, pose your profile against one of the Fin Numbers appearing below and receive twelve GRATIS issues upon the expiration of your current subscription. If you are a crew-chief subscriber, balance off the other side of the photo with ANY driver. . . . If you're a pilot and read this first, be sure to pose your crew-chief on the opposite side of the Fin Number. . . . Send in a negative or any size glossy print. . . There's no deadline to meet. . . Just confirm in writing that you have the numbered Fin and send the print in later. The postmark will determine the earliest submission for the "12" comps but we'll print all photos that we receive in the event there are duplicate Fin Numbers on different aircraft. The comps may be received personally or sent to a friend of your choice.



ME SUBSCRIBE?
ELOW, MAN. . . .
!"M A LUCKY FINNER!"

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CORTLAND, N. Y. — Just arrived home from Fort Sill where I finished the Helicopter Aviation Tactics Course, Noticed Fin #240 in the December issue. The L-19 I fly at Syracuse, N. Y., has as its number, 51-12240. Will get a snapshot of it and myself on my next visit to the strip. Yours truly,
1st Lt. LAWRENCE CORSER, 108th Infantry, NY-NG

Dear Editor: For some time I have viewed the "Ten Most Wanted" Column with misgivings. As a long-time subscriber to "AA," I remember when the column used to locate friends who were NOT subscribers and on whom the publication had no address. I now find that the column has deteriorated into a mass listing of delinquent subscribers who depart one station and apparently forget to send in a change of address. Were I to try to locate a friend through the column by having his name placed there, it would disappear in the maze. . . . The ugly thought that perhaps a listing under "Ten Most Wanted" is DESIRED may account for a good many of the sixty to eighty listings each month. I do not think other publications attempt to locate their delinquents through a monthly listing and I believe you are wasting your efforts in this endeavor. If people pay for something and then don't claim it, why should you worry and why should we be told about it? I think that the column could serve as an excellent "Locator File" for the subscribers if it returns to the purpose for which it was intended, listing people on whom the publication cannot provide an immediate address. I suggest that if you wish to list "delinquent subscribers" in each issue, you follow an initial system throughout. I'm not an old crab; I thoroughly enjoy the other 31 pages. Sincerely yours, Lt. ROBERT J. KELSEY
(Ed. The point's well taken. The rather bold "10 Most Wanted" above is intended to catch the eye and perhaps we may get enough "Gumshoe Reports" to entirely erase the delinquents from the listing. We can then return to a "Locator File" column as originally planned.)



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CAMP GORDON, GEORGIA — Now that the Holidays are past for another year, it's time for another report from the Southeastern Signal School and Camp Gordon. We're really getting trimmed down a bit due to orders, TDY's, etc. Lt BOB SHIREY and Lt GARLAND KING left us this month for 'copter school. Lt Doug Kendall is leaving the service at the end of this month to further pursue his education at good ole U of Ark. Capt. George Cadmus has decided not to come back to us from the advanced course at Ft. Monmouth. He is going to work in Career Management dishing out choice assignments to Army Aviators.

Lts. Berry and NIEDERBRACH are going to take part in the "FOLLOW ME" exercise which will take them away from Camp Gordon for a couple of months. Lts BOMAN and OLSON are still "living it up" at White Sands. If my subtraction is correct, that leaves FIVE AA's to hold down THIS Fort for a while. Looks like someone is going to rack up the Third Army Aviation Section.

Your correspondent, 1st Lt KENNETH R. NIEDERBRACH

"THE OLD ORDER CHANGETH..."

FORT SILL, OKLAHOMA -- Fort Sill's Post Field is now operated by the new Army Aviation Section of the Artillery Center, established for the first time in early January. Maj. HAROLD E. BARNES is Aviation Officer of the Artillery Center and will direct activities at Post Field, which were formerly operated by the Army Aviation School, recently moved to Camp Rucker, Alabama.



Some 40 persons have been assigned to the unit and the Section expects to receive its aircraft in the near future. Both fixed-wing and rotary-wing craft will be used, largely for administrative flights, and in addition to the more than 40 aircraft assigned to the various artillery groups. Some buildings used by the Aviation School will be utilized by the new Section also. Parachute packing and other activities which have been routine in the past will be continued.

Three Link trainers will be installed in the near future to help maintain the instrument proficiency of the pilots stationed at Fort Sill. Maj. BARNES, who will command the Section, will have on his staff Capt. COLIN D. CILEY, JR., as Operations Officer and Capt. Joseph P. Shalvey as Supply and Maintenance Officer. (Official Release).

HARD ROKS

TAEGU, KOREA — We'd like to give the readers the news and activities of Army aviation in the Korean Military Advisory Group. From our main section here in Taegu, we have small units attached to all of the major R.O.K. units. They have the job of advising our own commanding general of ROK Army, as well as advising the ROK units on organizational, functional and operational matters. We furnish tactical, technical and administrative advice to the staffs and commanders of the ROK Army. At present, we have 29 aircraft; two L-23's, five L-20's, nineteen L-19's, and two H-13's. In the past three months we have carried 32,300 pounds of baggage and materials; 2,950 passengers and have flown 376,800 passenger miles. One hour of AIR TRAVEL is equal to 15 hours of surface travel.

William J. Arink, 1st Lt, Armor

"WHO'S WHO"

The "Who's Who in Army Aviation" Yearbook should go in the mails about March 1st. . . We're sorry the project has been delayed but the fault does not lie with us. . . . As the Chinese laundryman says, "No tickee, no washee," and until we could give the printer at least one-thousand "tickees," he would not do the "washee." He could have printed less than a thousand, of course, but we'd have been whacked with the "One Day Service Charge" and if you know laundries, you really get a good cleaning this way. . . . The addresses have all been corrected to date and the appropriate promotions and births recorded. . . Haven't as yet rec'd the article "The Year in AD-AA" and as an amateur, not a "Pro," we're not qualified to write it if it doesn't come through. . . plenty of photos. . .

"Chain Gang"

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.. ONE GETS ONE..

Lt. Dennis R. McMahon, 2123 S. 50th St, Tacoma, Wash. (Capt. Arthur G. Keith)...
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Lt. Clyde D. Cochran, 407 C Wash Blvd, Pres of SF, Calif. (Capt Harold L. Howell).
Capt. Reginald H. Woolridge, 510th Tk Bn Hvy, APO 28, N. Y. (Capt. Thos. E. Sears)
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Pfc. William D. Byrd, Hq Btry, 83rd FA Bn, Fort Bragg, NC (Capt. Billy D. Carter)
Sgt. Ralph M. Montgomery, Hq Btry, 83rd FA Bn, Ft Bragg, NC (Capt Billy D Carter)
Capt Harvey D Hawley, MacLyndee Acres, Route #2, Vine Grove, Ky (Capt J.L. Wilkinson).
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Col. Robert C. White, Asst Comdt, Army Gen Sch, Ft Riley, Kan. (Capt G. E. Ebaugh)...
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Capt. Billy Odneal, Hq Co, 9th Inf Division, APO 111, NY, NY (Capt. Max E. Young)...
Sgt. George E. Waters, Hq Co, 9th Inf Div, APO 111, NY, NY (Capt. Max E. Young)...
Sfc. William A. Miller, Hq, 9th Inf Division, APO 111, NY, NY (Capt. Max E. Young)...
Sgt. Jack F. Bollin, Hq Co, 9th Inf Division, APO 111, NY, NY (Capt. Max. E. Young)...
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WOJG George D. Brinton, Jr., 93rd Trans Co (Hcptr), Ft Riley (Maj. Keith J. Bauer)...
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Sfc. William F. Martin, Hq & SvCo, ARMAV Regt, Cp Rucker (Capt John L. Rodrigue)..
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Capt. Joseph G. Stevenson, 56th FA Group, Fort Bragg, N.C. (Capt. Billy D. Carter).
Capt. Roy W. Moore, 540th FA Group, Fort Bragg, NC (Capt. Billy D. Carter)..
Lt. Robert P. Eisele, 540th FA Group, Fort Bragg, N.C. (Capt. Billy D. Carter)..
Lt. Jack O. Phillabaum, 758th FA Bn, Fort Bragg, N.C. (Capt. Billy D. Carter)..
Capt. P. D. Klusmeier, 20th Engineer Brig, Ft Bragg, NC (Capt. Billy D. Carter).
Capt. Willie H. Casper, 112th FA Group, Fort Bragg, NC (Capt. Billy D. Carter)..
Lt. Ernest L. Boswell, 266th FA Battalion, Ft Bragg, NC (Capt. Billy D. Carter)..
Lt. Sanders R. Lambert, Jr., 51st FA Group, Ft Bragg, NC (Capt. Billy D. Carter)..
Sgt. Curtis W. Pert, H&S Co, 307 Abn Engr, 82 Abn, Ft Bragg (M/Sgt L. McMichael)..
Pvt Leo Allen, Hq Btry, 82nd Abn Div Arty, Ft Bragg, NC (M/Sgt Leonard McMichael).
Lt. Murry D. Smith, 452nd AFA Bn, APO 165, NY, NY (Capt. William F. Armfield)...
Lt. Delmar M. McConnell, 452nd AFA Bn, APO 165, NY (Capt. William F. Armfield)..
Capt. Paul E. Killpack, 30th FA Group, APO 165, NY (Capt. William F. Armfield)...

CHAIN GANG

There's one sure way that you can "make" every issue as it is printed - short of being listed in the report of an eager correspondent... by collaring one PEEKER each month. How do you determine who is a PEEKER?.. When a man says, "Hey, pass me that when you're through with it" - he's a PEEKER. Clobber him... we'll gladly hang up your shingle each month.

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Mr. William MacPherson, 150 Harrison Pl, Staten Is 10, NY (Capt. John R. Brown)..
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WOJG Robert F. Pohl, 93rd Trans Co (Hcptr), Ft. Riley, Kan (Capt James P Dowling).
WOJG Donald E. Evans, 93rd Trans Co (Hcptr), Ft. Riley, Kan (Capt James P Dowling).
WOJG Charles F. Hungerford, 93rd Trans Co, Fort Riley, Kan (Capt James P Dowling).
WOJG Clifton A. Pufpaff, 93rd Trans Co (Hcptr), Ft. Riley, Kan (Capt James P Dowling).
WOJG James P. Spearman, 93rd Trans Co, (Hcptr), Ft. Riley (Capt James P Dowling).
WOJG Billy L. Pearson, 93rd Trans Co (Hcptr), Ft. Riley, Kan (Capt James P Dowling).
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Pfc. Patrick L. Russo, Btry "B", 76th FA Bn, APO 81, NY (Lt. Robert W. Warner, Jr.)
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Capt. George R. Swilley, 7689th Hq & Hq Co Avn Plat, APO 168, NY (Capt R. J. Lessard).
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Lt. David Wakefield, 14813 Linnhurst, Detroit, Michigan (Capt. John V. Davison).....

Don't skim through this list quickly. . . . You may find an old friend listed - for that matter even an old friend who put the bite on you for five in '45 or '53. . . . If he's just a buddy, his complete address appears below so why not drop him a card today. . . if he's a borrowing friend, drop him an airmail and and don't forget most long-term loans today command 4½%..

CHAIN GANG

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Capt. Bob Skimin, 59th FA Battalion, APO 189, NY, NY (Lt. Raymond W. Truex). . . .
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Pfc. Kenneth K Gressler, Hq Co, 9th Inf Div (AirSec), APO 111, NY (Capt Max Young)
Sgt. James Arrington, Hq Co, 9th Inf Div, (Air Sec), APO 111, NY (Capt Max E Young)
Cpl. Chester C Parson, Hq Co, 9th Inf Div (AirSec), APO 111, NY (Capt Max E Young)

"NO FLYING TODAY"

HQ, AAS, CAMP RUCKER -- We here in the PIO Section thought things were just about as high and deep as they could get, but we were mistaken, Capt. Richie has been placed on 90 days TDY with Exercise FOLLOW ME, the staff now consisting of 1 civilian news writer, PIO support for FOLLOW ME last week UNEXPECTEDLY became the duty of this office, and even the weather is pulling against us - it has rained almost continuous-ly here during the month of January - and is still raining. Sincerely,

(Miss) Juanita McQuagge for Capt. Ollie B. Richie, Inf, PIO

(Ed. Note. . . and the Dept of Flight is going batty implementing "Rainy Day Schedules;" not to mention the students.)

Soloists...

No "ACE" persuadeth these people.
They joined us on their own.

Colonel Israel B. Washburn, Post Office Box 41, Fort Clayton, Canal Zone.
Captain Thomas H. Sears, Hq & Hq Co, CC "A", 2nd Armored Division, APO 28, N. Y.
Captain Everett L. Kelley, AFPE Flight Det, 8026th Army Unit, APO 343, Frisco, Cal.
Captain Allen P. Murphy, Aviation Section, 24th Signal Battalion, Ft Devens, Mass. . . .
Capt. James R. Bakley, OCT, Army Aviation Division, Washington 25, D.C.
Sfc. Marvin E. Morgan, Eighth Army Flight Detachment, APO 301, San Francisco, Cal.
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Capt. James K. Sterling, Headquarters, VII Corps Artillery, APO 107, New York, NY.
Capt. Lester C. Robertson, 71st Trans AAFD Company, APO 971, S. F., California. . .
Capt. Emmett L. Hines III, Hq & Hq Btry, III Corps Artillery, Fort Hood, Texas.
Lieutenant William L. Arledge, 35-1 Wherry Housing, Fort Campbell, Kentucky. . .
Captain Cecil R. Huff, 1st Off Student Battery, ADAC #1, Fort Sill, Oklahoma.
Lieutenant James H. Annear, 1622 North Jefferson, Junction City, Kansas.
Captain Donald H. Jersey, Headquarters Company, 7965th Army Unit, APO 122, NY, NY
Lt. Colonel R. C. Spiedel, Quarters 22-3, Fort Eustis, Virginia.
Captain Raymond C. Chapman, Quarters 426-A, Fort Belvoir, Virginia.
Major Richard J. Kennedy, Army Avn Sec, Educ & Spec Tng Br, TAGO, D/A, Wash 25.
Lt. Jerome C. Meader, Jr., 1278 Baker Avenue, Schenectady, New York.
Lieutenant Kent D. Wise, 121st Evacuation Hospital, APO 971, San Francisco, Calif. . .

on the line



CHARPE GENERAL DEFUT, LATHROP, CALIE — In reading the Dec. issue, I came upon my name in the "10 Most Wanted" List. Well, here I am; I'm now with the 18th Trans Det (Army Acft Repair), asgd to the Sixth Army Acft Fld Maint Shop here in Lathrop. The unit is composed of 167 Enlisted Men and 4 Officers with the shops located at Stockton Field, California. Capt. Romalne T. Alsbury is newly asgd as Commanding Officer of the activity, relieving Capt. Robert P. Ratajczak, who is leaving for Alaska. Capt. Walter D. Yenne is our Maintenance Officer and Lt. William L. Hastings our AdminO.

The activity is staffed with a group of very competent NCO's. SFC Willis H Stroud acts in the capacity of Shop Foreman; SFC James H Patterson heads the F/W Section & Sgt Harry Donajkoski the R/W Section. In charge of the Engine Build-Up Section is SFC Fredrick F Shellhart; SFC Frederick M Pochelle supervises the Flight Line; and Consolidated Supply is governed and directed by A. L. Beckland. Military personnel are under the supervision of Sgt James F Parsons; Shop Supply - Sgt Samuel F Ayala; Inspection - Mr. E. O. TURNER and Sgt Martin G Kuddslien; and the Service Section - M/Sgt Solomon.

At the present time the activity is processing ships for Camp Desert Rock, the 30th Engineer Group, and the Army Electronic Proving Grounds, in addition to the maintenance required by aircraft assigned to the Sixth Army Area. We now have 38 aircraft either in or awaiting our shops and they consist of H-13, H-23, L-19, L-20 and L-23-type aircraft. In the near future, our shops will be responsible for the repair and processing of 28 L-17's, recently returned from the Far East for re-assignment to the California-National Guard.

Our correspondent, Cpl. JAMES W. GAVIN, RA

FORT RILEY, KANSAS — Just a few lines from the "Heart of the USA" - Fort Riley, Kansas. It has taken me some time to do this - sit down and drop a line to "AA" and I'm not saying it for points - I've been with Army aviation since it first started - way back when! And now I'm back here in the States after nearly 11 years in Europe... No, I'm not completely a stranger here as I have been to the States twice in those 11 years and this time since Nov of '54. Have seen many "throttle jockeys" in my time and every once in awhile I see a name or two turn up in the pages and that's why I think it is a good project. Right now, I'm looking for Capt. ALLEN S. MOU and hope you can help. (Ed...Capt MOU may need the help too - he's in Formosa.) Enclosed are a couple of new ones for our club and come "PAYDAY" will have more to send along... Someone should push it along & I'm sure going to try..... SFC PAUL A. SIMON, 98th TAARD.

USFA — Cold winds are blowing and the skiing season is here (even for the copters). Just returned from leave and learn one of our ships has skis. We're expecting snow in great quantities before long and if I know Austria we'll have it. Personnel-wise, the promotion train hit Cpl Chafin and Pfc ROBERT L. CROSBY. The Sgt, and

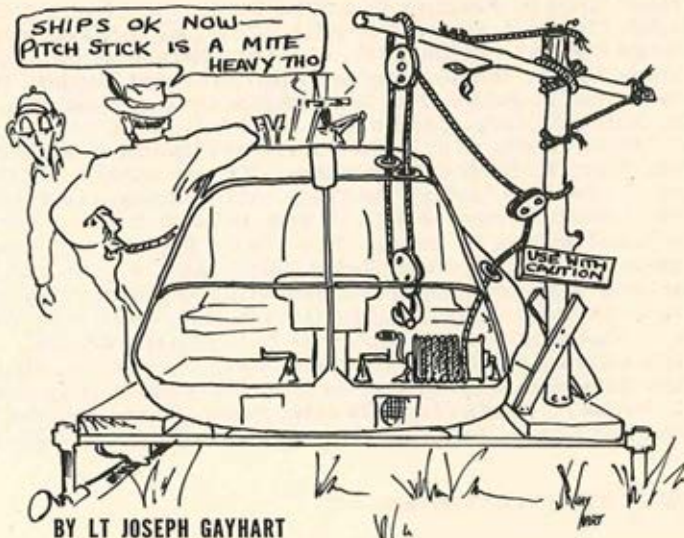
INGENUITY

We don't think the "Ingenuity" pictured here is an exaggeration for "AA" crewmen.

How about that LITERARY INGENUITY?

Send us the poop on your crew.

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Corporal's stripes are being put in place... Leaving us for the land of the "BIG PX" are 1st Lt LEO J. VELLA and Cpl. James R. Weaver... Several newcomers in our midst - From TRUST, Cpl Donald Gearman and from the 21 Sfc's William Mannerlyn and Francisco Marrero and Pfc James R Park, an ex-instructor from Ft Sill. Pvt James "Doc" Blakeley is another ex-instructor from Sill. Perhaps, we're going to start our own school... There's an old saying in the Army: "You're either teaching or being taught," and maybe this is the case here...

Your correspondent, Cpl. JOHN R. SHERROCK

CHI-CHI

CHOFU, JAPAN - The status of the 46th TAAM Company has been somewhat uncertain and subject to change without prior warning these past few months, so excuse this delayed response for news to "AA." The Company has been redeployed from Wonju, Korea, to Chofu, Japan, APO 613. Still retain Capt (ALDEN E) KINCAID as C. O., myself as Exec, and a new officer, 1/Lt HOWARD R STAHLMAN. Also understand we have a 2d/Lt Casey on the way. As far as the enlisted personnel are concerned, the jobs and MOS' have changed considerably due to the move.



To former company officers who read this, it may be of interest to know that we rotated our ONE and ONLY 823 - the L-20 we drove so hard in Korea. Traded it in on 759, but felt as though we had lost a friend. Also of prime interest to them - we still have our mascot, "CHI-CHI," the Flying Dog. At present, the Company is attached to the 8066th AU for duty (Maj. JOHN W ELLIOTT, Commanding)... The possibility in the near future is that we'll be split into Detachments and spread throughout Japan, depending upon aircraft concentration. Our status at the present time may be described as "fluid" as far as the future mission is concerned. However, we ARE STILL in the Airplane Business; we merely changed our Customers and are continuing to uphold the well-established reputation of efficiency of the 46th TAAM Company. Your correspondent, 1/Lt. JAMES C. CROUCH

IN THE BOONDOCKS

THAILAND - In our last report (October issue) our Aviation Section was in Korea supporting the 29th Engineer Company in accomplishing a First Order Triangulation Survey. Since then, the Korean project has been completed and the outfit is in the process of establishing itself in a new operational area - Thailand (Siam, that is)... We'll be out in the boonducks though and not in Bangkok. The Aviation Section will do its own field maintenance and spare parts support will come out of Clark AFB in the Philippines. Such a widespread operation should certainly prove interesting. We're hurting for 'copter mechanics, tho - ANY VOLUNTEERS?

Recent additions: Capt JAMES MULKERN (fresh from the 30th Engrs), Capt Charles Francis (Armor - from IX Corps), 1/Lt Charles W Race (Inf - from 2nd Inf Div), 1/Lt HUGH BLACK (Sig - from Stateside) and 1/Lt Don C Bush (MSC - from the 30th Med Gp). That gives us a total of 8 pilots and 8 aircraft so everybody should be happy... Both Francis and MULKERN made their Captaincies in late '54, by the way...

Your correspondent, Capt. LESLIE H GILBERT, AO, 29th Engr Co.

LINKS

DETROIT, MICHIGAN - Our "wheel-horse" here (DivArty AO), Capt Lyle S Sweet has galloped off to Chopper College in the last quota, so he should be about two weeks old now at Marcos and (we hope) soon on his way to "Alabama".... We may have a couple of Senior AA's around here if the papers ever get through... Slowly but surely (as the song goes) here are two more "LINKS" in the chain for the 46th Inf Division: Capt. WILLIAM P. MASLAK, an "excess-er" for the 182nd FA En (Mich-NG) and Lt. DAVID WAKEFIELD, who holds down one of the T/O 1981 slots for the above bn... Ole Buddy, would you change your addressograph on me to read "Capt." Instead of "Mr." - mighty proud of my Reserve status and prefer a military title. (Ed... with renewals, we embarked upon a project of re-cutting all Reserve Component stencils with "Mr." to do away with possible re-cutting in the event of PROMOTIONS... didn't realize so many people would notice the change and will "beat a hasty retreat" upon request.) Permission is hereby granted to reproduce this masterpiece either "holly" or in part, or just W-B file and forget the "hole" thing (but if you decide on the W-B file, un-stick the 4 bucks first.)

Your correspondent, Capt JOHN V. DAVISON, Mich-NG

GROWING

WALLINGFORD, CONN - Enclosed is a group photo of Class 54 T-H (See Page 2)... It was a "happy" group... My outfit, the 43rd Division (Conn-NG) now has 2 L-19's, one L-17, and one H-13. If West Virginia ever gets that L-19 ready, we'll have another plane... also due in another H-13 in March... Personnel?... Capt. AL JOHN SON (Div Hq Co AO) & Lt. Walsh (Hq Co)... Lt HAROLD BURR & Lt JOHN BATES (963rd FA)... Capt Edward Schleier (963rd), Capt Charles Robinson (169th Inf), and yours truly in the 102nd Inf...

Your correspondent, Lt. EDWARD POLANSKI

(Ed... Lt HAROLD BURR?... Could this be "Hot Dawg" BURR?... if it is, he certainly didn't waste any time hooking up with the Reserve Components following his separation... That's something a great many other ex-AD pilots should consider... the Guard and the USAR can use each and every Pro they can get.)

FULL COUNT

VERDUN, FRANCE - Recent addition to the Avn Section of ALSEC USAREUR COM Z includes a new G model H-13 and we're awaiting the arrival of a new L-20 to put us in the passenger-hauling business. Capt JOHN F. ROBERTS departed here for Sill, and Capt DONALD H JERSEY joined the Section from Trieste, via 7 weeks in Pisa, Italy. Capt DEANEL B WILSON transferred in from the 45th TAAM Co (formerly of Metz, France), and Capt ELDWARD E CROW round out the roster of AA's... One of our chief wrench-wielders, Ceser Velez Rodriguez, was recently promoted to Sgt, while Cpl Harvey Linke and Pfc Robert McCrary are due for rotation & civilian status in Jan... Pvt Thomas Simpson was asgd to the Section as Clerk and Sgt James Greenwell, ex of Sill, pulls duty as Line Chief, Sgt LOUIS MINTZ and Pfc Robert Cruthird, chopper mechanics, and Pfc Edward Goode (on the L-17) complete our Maintenance Crew... Your correspondent, Capt. DONALD H. JERSEY

CANYON

Dear Editor: This is written by a guy who is highly teed off, backed by his fellow pilots who are just as mad. By now, as you read this, you may have received similar letters of agitation. What's this all about? If you have been reading "Steve Canyon" of late you will have noticed us AHMY Pilots have been getting nothing but malicious hell from the Air Force as characterized by friend Caniff. So today it's even worse - trying to tell everybody our mechanics are purely ignorant - no initiative - in fact, no brains. I, for one, can't stand for it. So please take this to heart and go to bat with us. Or send me the blighter's address and I will cartoon him in effigy.

No kidding, this man is setting AA back at least 10 years with his tomfoolery and believe me if ANYONE murders the airwaves, it's those GREYHOUNDS OF THE BLUE. And to speak of the ignorance of our mechanics, I don't think the AF can hold a candle to most of our fellows. . . . Also, the budding, novice, neophyte bunch that goes by the name of Air Force owes it all to the Army anyway for where did it all start. Changing the color of the uniform doesn't add to the brain power.

Rambling through this you possibly get our point of view. Now if he wishes to pick on someone the "AF" is the only part of the military that even have J-3's, J-4's, L-16's, and L-21's so where does he come off giving 'em to us? Forward him a copy of OUR magazine and let him be enlightened. Let him read "AA" and keep abreast of the hot poop. May have been carried overboard but just wanted you to know that us guys ain't taking this lying down. Sincerely,

Lt. JOSEPH R. GAYHART

(Editor's Note: We too have been following the antics of "Steve Canyon" and the brief appearance of the AHMY Yokel. In line with the above letter and others that we have received from the readers, the following letter was sent to Mr. Caniff:

Dear Mr. Caniff: Enclosed is one of many letters that I have received from the readers of this publication. The letters were written by Army aviation personnel who object to the manner in which you have characterized the typical Army aviator, the typical Army maintenance man, and their jobs.

Although I fully realize that humor must be injected into the comic strips, I do not think that you realize that you did a disservice to the field of Army aviation by these character portrayals.

Army aviation is currently undergoing a moderate to rapid expansion in military planning and is deeply involved in an extensive recruiting drive. For the most part, many people, including many in the services, still confuse Army aviation with the Air Force. Your portrayal of an Army pilot as a loquacious, flippant, ignorant flyboy and your portrayal of maintenance personnel as brainless parties with little or no initiative doesn't clarify the picture or help this recruiting drive.

The damage done cannot be minimized in view of the fact that the strip is read in every corner of the globe in addition to being nationally-syndicated.

The humorous aspect of this situation is that practically all Army pilots, the writer included, received their initial Primary flight training at an Air Force installation from AF Flight Instructors. . . . Their ground school instruction, including instruction in Pattern Entry and Radio Procedure was given to them by AF Ground School Instructors.

It logically follows then that if any "bad" habits were acquired by these fledgling Army pilots these habits were acquired during this embryonic period under AF tutelage - as the twig is bent so shall be the tree.

However, in my six years of duty in this field, I knew of no such flagrant actions or jargon as employed by the Army pilot in your strip. I also know that most Army pilots consider the primary instruction given by the AF as top rate.

Although I do not think you owe the 8,000 commissioned and enlisted personnel in this field any form of apology, I know that it is their fervent wish that any future Army characterizations be more representative of the actual personnel in this field.

"class corners"

FW 52-B

EDWIN O. CARR - now in the Avn Det, Camp Irwin, Calif. . . serves as AO. . . Capt Ray Kulbeck - Rotated from Japan, now in TC, should have a story on Maint with Japanese AA, on release from AD resides at Route #1, Danbury, Wisc. . . Lt BOYCE B BUCKNER, one of our star performers gone East, with the AAS at Rucker, presume he's still in Standardization or in Dem-Team. . . Ditto probably for Capt Robert F Cornell on the move to Alabama. No information on Capts Clyde P Johnson, Frank B Brooks, Jr., and Paul A Stockton; met them at Sill last summer ('54) and no word since. . . Capt ROBERT D MATHIAS, fully-established (lucky boy) at G-3 Aviation Det, Ft Belvoir; talks of flying Twins with all the "wheels so he must be thoroughly enjoying himself. . . (Capt.) ROCKY RHODES, was running an exclusive outfit in the North Woods (Camp Hanford), understand thru "AA" he's moving South. . . Capt JAMES MULKERN, headed for the Orient, "AA" says Thailand. . . BAMBORD. . . think I've finally located him. . . 564th FA Bn at Ft Lewis and still a "Redleg". . . Capt BILL ("Tombstone") RINKLE, MaintO with 328th Hcpr Co at or near Stuttgart, Germany. . . Latest on Lt COLVIN NEWMAN is his move to the Avn Br, TSESS, Camp Gordon. . . Guess TONY DIRESTA's address is AA Sec, Hq, 1st Army, Governors Island, NY. . . he's near home and shouldn't be UNHAPPY. . . By the way saw Boyd at Fresno; he's a Capt now & still stationed with the Guard at Modesto; you all probably remember he flew P-38's during WW II. . . Most difficult guys to locate have been the "Gold Dust Twins," Lt RUSSELL WIGGS and Lt Earl Rutledge. . . Earl's at Riley with the 10th Inf Flt Det. (Ed, Note: O! WIGGS is on our 10MW so we're having difficulty too). . . A fellow who really should have a story to tell about his Korean experiences: Lt CONRAD PROVENCHER, Avn & Met Dept, Ft Huachuca, Ariz. . .

Additional addresses I have - they should be current - Fred Bowling, 1803 Fairview Dr, Killeen, Tex. . . Lt HAROLD BURR, Tyron St, Middletown, Conn. . . Lt SAM DUGAN, 3600 Yolando Dr, Baltimore. . . Lt Harry Frizzell M/C Co, 313 Sig Bn, Meade. . . Stephen Gnash, Rt#3, Box 204, Alexandria, Va. . . Lt David Harpman, Sig Co, 82d Avn Div, Bragg. . . Lt Herbert Hunt, 16220 Saticoy St, Van Nuys, Calif. . . Marlin S Perry, 937th Engr Avn Co, (IAGS), Bx 2031, Balboa Heights, CZ. . . Lt Thomas O Miller, CO, 89th TAAR Tm, Ft Lewis. . . Lt EDWARD POLANSKI, 63 Fairview Ave, Wallingford, Conn. . . Richard Shortridge, Calif-NG, Stockton, Calif. . . and Lt TOLLE THURSTON, 3 Brookfield Ave, Bridgeport, Conn. . . Yours truly had the good fortune to be asgd to the 937th EAC (IAGS) at Ft Clayton, CZ. . . leave here (Presidio) for 30 days delay enroute on Feb 18th & take a 3-wk H-19 crs at Cp Rucker. . . from there we're scheduled to ferry H-19's to Panama. . . Considering I can't return to EUCOM (I was there last trip) can't think of a better assignment, although I've had a lot of good times here with the 30th Engr Gp. . . Plan to be in Panama by May so send any NOTAMS you have to "AA" and when I'm situated I'll lace them together for you. . . Your class correspondent, (Lt.) JOHN CHAPMAN

"CLASS CORNERS," the column created by Lt CHAPMAN, is an excellent way for you to keep in touch with ex-cellmates. . . we don't care if your Class was Spark Plug Cleaning (SPC 55-RW), just as long as there's ONE person in YOUR class who seems to be the Class Historian. . . Forward your personal data to HIM or to us and we'll run NOTAMS under your Class Heading. . . just don't get too nostalgic, i. e., "Remember that waitress in Wichita, Ken," or "Wish you'd forward the address of that Lawton beverage salesman, Tom," or "Ed, that fellow, Sukd-san, who used to buy your cigarettes is now in a Nagoya Jail." Keep it clean BUT send it in. . .

randoms:

STRIP TEASE
Strip # 25, Ft. Sill, Okla.

No room for "Randoms" this month. . . nothing "Random" to report anyway. . . except that we received many articles AFTER the 19th of the month and just didn't have the space for them. . . they'll all be published BUT we could have fit them in nicely if we had them before the 19th. . . One in particular should be very interesting - Col. WILLIAM C HOLLEY, C. O. of the 30th Engineer Group, sent in a complete report on his unit's Alaskan operations. . . This report was not tardy; we've had it two months. . . but it is a kingsize report & digesting it for you takes time. . .

Thought we'd close with these two anecdotes. . . A waiter friend in New York overheard a Chinese visitor make this comment to his host while at dinner: "Funny people, you Americans. You take a glass, put sugar in it to make it sweet and lemon to make it sour. Then you put gin in it to make it hot and ice to make it cool. And then you say, "Here's to you!" and drink it yourself!"

And then there's the two Chinese patrons conversing in an American restaurant. Says the first: "These American waiters all look alike. I never can tell them apart." The other replied: "Yes, and I suppose you can eat quite well with these forks after you get used to them." - "I don't know about the forks, but this American food fills you up and you're hungry again in an hour."

The point we're trying to make here is that all of us take our ways for granted, feeling that our way is the only way to approach anything. Being able to look at anything THROUGH THE EYES OF OTHERS is an important key to a well-rounded personality and enhances and broadens our general knowledge. Your name may or may not creep into this publication. . . if it does, it may or may not be CAPITALIZED. . . that's unimportant. . . But what is important is that you recognize that THIS publication affords you different perspectives and different approaches to many matters relative to Army aviation. . . and with the thought in mind that "one hand washes the other," your views are presented so that others may know your approach to AA. . . Your editor,

**HAVE YOU A
FRIEND
LISTED HERE?**

Would you like his current address so that you can drop him a line? Forward us a stamped, return-addressed envelope and we'll forward his address within a day... Each of the 298 persons listed below renewed their '54 subscription and are "with it" in '55. The list is a partial renewal list and will be continued in the next issue.

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