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NCANG GOES MEDICAL

IT'S OFFICIAL NOW THAT THE NCANG WILL BECOME AN AEROMEDICAL UNIT BEFORE THE END OF 1961.

The change-over schedule has been speeded up and is now set for the fourth quarter of the fiscal year 1961--which means April, May, or June.

The first new planes are expected to arrive by March. They will be C-119 "Flying Boxcars," but they will be temporary aircraft, to be replaced shortly by C-121 Super Constellations. Exactly when the Super connies will arrive is, for undisclosed reasons, classified information for the moment.

NCANG will be a group, under the new arrangement, with headquarters authority eventually extending over squadrons in other states. Personnel strength is expected to remain about the same as today, with some addition in officer strength.

Thirty-eight new officers will be added, in the nurse and medical administrator categories, and 20 to 25 of the new officers will be nurses.

The conversion to an aeromedical group is part of a larger conversion of the mission and scope of the Air Defense Command, looking

to the eventual replacement of many manned aircraft with missiles. NCANG will be the second aeromedical transport group among ANG units. Another group is operating now in the New York Guard.

While unit manning documents are not available as yet, there will be changes in certain career fields. It is anticipated that most personnel in fire control, fuel flow and radar sections will have to be assigned to new fields.

The new permanent aircraft, the C-121's, have a wing-span of 121 feet and are 116.2 feet long, with a range of over 4,000 miles.

AT INAUGURATION

GUARD MARCHES AT RALEIGH

Some 150 men from the Charlotte and Wadesboro units of NCANG marched, representing the Air Guard, at the inauguration of Gov. Terry Sanford in Raleigh on January 5.

As the troops moved along Fayetteville street, past the reviewing stand, NCANG jets performed a fly-over.

Those who marched left Charlotte by bus at 600 hours, returning about 1900 hours that evening.

The marching unit was commanded by Col.

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"TEETH" IN RESERVE PROGRAM

The Air Force has put "teeth" in its requirements for service by Reserve Forces personnel.

Headquarters ConAC has been directed by Headquarters USAF to involuntarily place draft deferred airmen gained from the Air National Guard in participating assignments in the Air Force Reserve. Airmen who fail to participate satisfactorily in the Air Force Reserve will be ordered to 45 days of active duty

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+ THE CHAPLAIN'S CORNER +

Who is the enemy? The enemy we in America face is not solely the nationalistic power trampling the natural rights of man, threatening nuclear holocaust and thirsting for world sovereignty. The real enemy may be you!

The enemy is the person preoccupied with his own success, indifferent to the problems of the time, and concerned only with peace in his own lifetime. The enemy feels no responsibility to the coming generation.

In another light, the enemy is the man who believes nothing can be done. He is vocal about man's helplessness before the complexities of today's challenges. He follows the doctrine of hopelessness.

The enemy is also the man in the pulpit who gives top priority to maintaining a socially respectable church and who is careful never to disturb the easy conscience of his congregation. His interest is to dispense peace of mind rather than to engender a sense of restlessness to right community wrongs. He is blind to the fact that the crisis of the hour is very much a spiritual crisis.

The enemy is also the man in the pew who wants nothing else from his minister, who resists any challenge to his feeling of complacent self-satisfaction, who believes that God will not let him down. Changes upset him, criticism paralyzes him, and to develop his own big ideas and to act on them reduces him to nausea.

In the words of Norman Cousins: "At a time when everything we are and everything we have are in jeopardy it may help to know the faces of the enemy."

Chaplain S. D. Maloney

"A Look at the Fighting Man's Code," scheduled for this issue of the NEWS, has been rescheduled for the February issue.

NO PARKING

No parking for vehicles, including government cars, is allowed behind the O & T Building. This ruling does not apply to persons with assigned parking places.

Further, no vehicles will be allowed to park in the drive behind the O & T Building.

The Air Police will check vehicles in this area in order to alleviate a continuing traffic problem.

ANG LEADS LEAGUE

First place in the Military Bowling League will be decided on Thursday night, January 19, as only two games separate the top four teams.

The NCANG Supply team leads the league, followed in order by the SAC Bombers, the Air Force Reserve Falcon Five, and the NCANG T-Birds.

Jack Lee has bowled the high game thus far this season with a 239. Bob Litaker holds the high series total with 614. The T-Birds has the high team series with 2,508 and also the high team game with 958.

Major Nash bowled the high game last Thursday night with a 229.

CLUB REDECORATION

A general redecorating job is now under way in the Airmen's Club. Most of the work is expected to be completed this coming week. Workers are going to be at the Club each night this week.

Club leaders urge that anyone who is available to help speed this job along, come to the Club on as many nights as possible this week.

All work will be done by Club members.

PIANIST NEEDED

The call went out this drill for an Assistant Pianist. Out of 800 men, it appeared that A2C James Moore was the only piano player. Since Moore was not present this drill, that left the worship service without music. But A3C Don Murphy came to the rescue. Now we have two piano players.

RALEIGH - CONT'D

Robert W. Brooks, Jr.

On 10 Jan, Col William J. Payne, commander, received the following letter of commendation from Adjutant General Capus Waynick:

- "1. The performance of the North Carolina Air National Guard in the Inaugural of Governor Terry Sanford was most impressive. The Adjutant General was proud of the showing that your men made, both in the air and on the ground.
- "2. The fly-over of the 16 jets in formation was beautiful and thrilling. I have seen no better formation of its sort. The timing of the fly-over was exactly correct for the best effort.
- "3. Please convey the commendation of the Adjutant General not only to your fliers but to Col. Robert W. Brooks, Jr. and the troops he led in the parade itself. The Air National Guard added greatly to the success of our show.

CAPUS WAYNICK
Major General, NCANG
The Adjutant General."

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NOISE IN HALLS

Noise in the halls of the O & T Building has been disturbing airmen taking tests in the room next to the large conference room.

According to the Air Force Adviser's office, personnel using the hall adjacent to the testing area have not been considered those taking exams. Furthermore, it was noted that too much noise was coming from the parking area in the rear of the O & T Building also.

All personnel are urged to be quieter when near the testing-conference room area.

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RESERVE - CONT'D

This new regulation would apply to a person for example, who had an unfulfilled service obligation and who, moving out of the state, would not be able to attend Air National Guard meetings. The Air Guard would place him in the Air Force Reserve. If his duty with the Air Force Reserve was unsatisfactory, then he would face 45 days active duty.

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- SUPPLY RECORD GOOD -

"Supply discipline" remains a problem in the ANG, according to a letter to Adjutant Gen. Capus Waynick from MajGen. Winston P. Wilson, Deputy Chief of the National Guard Bureau in Washington.

Supply discipline has to do with self-imposed restraint in the use of priority requests of supply depots around the country. Gen. Wilson pointed out that this discipline must be imposed by officers and airmen on themselves, not alone by supply personnel. Unnecessary requests for new stock must be kept down, and the building up of costly bottle-necks in supply must be avoided by every member of the ANG keeping watch on the equipment for which he's responsible and anticipating when it will deteriorate so as to have to be replaced.

According to a survey made by Col. Payne, this ANG unit has a good record in supply discipline. High priority requests, as percentage of requests in all priority levels, were much lower here than the average. Thus, nationally, high priority requests averaged 22 per cent of all requests, whereas the NCANG they formed only one half that figure - 11.8 per cent. By far the largest percentage of NCANG supply requests were in the lowest priority, Priority 16. The figure here, 50 per cent, compared favorably with the national average of only 15 per cent.

Col. Payne asked that each officer and airman familiarize himself thoroughly with AF Regulation 67-10, especially paragraph 15, which deals with priorities.

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FIRST TRANSPORT ARRIVES

DRILL HOURS CHANGE

Effective with the March drill, Sat. hours will be 0800-1700, the same as the Sun. schedule.

This is a permanent change. Our change from fighters to an aeromedical transport mission will not require night flying operations to the extent previously required.

Also, the change will make possible more emphasis on unit and individual training programs. Personnel will receive Sat. training during the most productive part of the day.

Personnel who encounter conflicts with their civilian jobs because of the drill change are advised to seek the cooperation of their employers and/or unit commanders in solving the problem.

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BACK TO SAVANNAH

Now it's officially official.

Summer camp, those happy two weeks of military living, will be spent in the NCANG's second "home," Savannah. As of this morning, no loud moans have been heard regarding this new decision.

The dates have been set for July 29 through August 12.

Last November, the announcement was made that summer camp would be spent in gay Charlotte. However, other arrangements were made.

This will be the eighth straight visit
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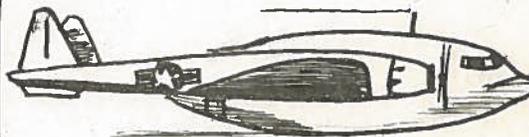
145TH NOW AEROMEDICAL

Feb. 1, as the first C-119J "Flying Boxcar" landed at Douglas Airport, NCANG officially acquired a new designation.

You are now a member of the 145th Aeromedical Transport Group, and the 156th Aeromedical Transport Squadron--formerly jet fighter group and jet fighter squadron.

The first plane, capable of flying a crew of six and either 35 litter patients or a combination of 14 litters and 62 walking, flew to Charlotte from Donaldson AFB, Greenville, S. C. Two more C-119s are expected to come from March AFB, Calif. Four others will arrive later from a now unrevealed source--making a total complement of seven craft. They'll serve NCANG until pilots are checked out, then to be replaced by seven Super Constellations. The Super Connies will be official craft for future aeromedical work.

A group of trainers from Chanute AFB, Ill., will instruct and check Guard pilots out on the C-119J.



Other changes in the unit, aside from the mission and aircraft, will involve personnel shifts--chiefly in the areas of fire control. Total manpower in the Guard is expected to rise from today's stable figure of about 840 to 860. Some 21 flight nurses, with six doctors, five medical
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THE CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

One of the finest expressions of a Christian philosophy of history to appear in recent years comes from the Hon. Charles Malik of Lebanon and former President of the United Nations General Assembly. His words from a recent address are a stirring challenge to all Americans and to Christians in particular.

"But what is pre-eminently at stake in Mediterranean-Western civilization today is its human and universal elements. It is man who is denied; it is the affirmation that there is nothing that binds and cements all men into one family that is the prime danger; it is the fragmentation of humanity into endless exclusivisms, whether national or cultural or racial or economic, that poses the deepest challenge. Western civilization is doomed until, jolted out of its complacency, self-satisfaction, and sense of apartness, it rediscovers and reaffirms what is genuinely human and universal in its own soul. This means not only economical and technical sharing with Asia and Africa, but intellectual, moral and spiritual sharing. What is supremely good must be good for all...

"Asia and Africa do not want to deal only with businessmen: they crave for human and spiritual fellowship. There is no exchange of soul, there is no sharing of life and ideas, there is no community of spirit, there is no fellowship of man with man.

This is Asia's and Africa's deepest challenge of the West: what have you to give me, not of your trinkets, but of your mind, not of the external husks of your life, but of the substance and marrow of your soul?...

"...That which you really believe to be (CONTINUED NEXT COLUMN)

MAGAZINE PUBLISHED

The first issue in over two years of THE TAR HEEL GUARDSMAN is available this weekend to members of the North Carolina National Guard Association.

Major General Claude T. Bowers, newly appointed Adjutant General, is featured on the cover of the January-February issue. The issue also carries a message from Gov. Terry Sanford and a feature on the 1961 inaugural parade.

THE TAR HEEL GUARDSMAN will be published six times a year by the Guard Association. The magazine was discontinued two years ago because of lack of funds. The excellent response for membership in the Guard Assn. by Army and Air units has made resumption of the magazine possible.

If you have not received a copy of the magazine, contact your AST. If you desire, subsequent issues of the magazine will be mailed to your home, if you furnish your mailing address to the AST.

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The February issue of THE AIRMAN Magazine has an outstanding article which should be of interest to all Guardsmen. The article is entitled "Key Characteristics of the Communist Threat" by Charles E. Bohlen, Special Assistant to the Secretary of State.

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CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

true and human and universal you will want to share with others, you cannot keep under a bushel...Only he therefore who feels with humanity, who is at one with all conditions of men, who is insufficient and incomplete without them, who is not protected and separated from them, can help them and lead them and love them and be loved by them.

"...The civilization which has been blessed and transformed by Christ, needs only a mighty hand to shake it out of its slumber." — Chaplain S. D. Maloney

AIR ADVISER- "YES MA'AM"

It will be "yes, ma'am" to the new Air Force Senior Adviser to the North Carolina Air National Guard.

Major Mary C. O'Neill, an Air Force Nurse Administrator, is expected to arrive about 1 April to begin orientation under Lt. Colonel Walter B. Waclawski, present Adviser.

Colonel Waclawski will leave in mid-July to attend a 10-month course at the Air War College, Maxwell AFB, Ala., after which he will be reassigned. He has served as AF Senior Adviser here since 2 July 57.

Major O'Neill is unmarried and is a rated flight nurse with flying time in excess of 839 hours. She was commissioned 11 May 44.

PROMOTIONS ANNOUNCED

Effective January 30, Lt. Colonels Robert W. Brooks and Sidney L. Jetton were promoted to full Colonels. The announcement was made by Commander William J. Payne.

Colonel Brooks is Commander of the 145th Aeromed Transp Gp and Colonel Jetton is Supply Staff Officer, State Headquarters.

Colonel Brooks joined the Army Guard in Raleigh in 1947. He came to Charlotte with the Air Guard in 1951. He is a command pilot with over 4,000 hours flying time.

Colonel Jetton is a native of Mecklenburg County. He joined the Air Guard in 1948, shortly after the unit was organized here.

NEW MISSION - CONT'D

services officers, and medical technicians will be chief medical personnel on the planes.

Colonel Robert W. Brooks will command the 145th Aeromedical Transport Group.

The F-86L fighters will be ferried in groups of six to Davis Mountain AFB, Tucson, Ariz., to be stored.

UNIFORM INFO

Khakis can be broken out for next drill, weather permitting.

March 1-31 will be an optional period, when either winter or summer uniforms can be worn.

Summer uniforms will be mandatory by the time April drill comes and will last through September 30.

SUMMER CAMP - CONT'D

to the sultry, mosquito-thick air of Travis Field. The largest part of the time this year will be spent on transition training to the new aeromedical mission. It is expected that most of the pilots will be checked out on the new C-119's by the time summer camp rolls around.

Notify employers of the dates for field training immediately.

LITTLE LEAGUE BASEBALL

The NCANG will sponsor a Little League baseball team this year if enough interest is shown. Please contact A3C Swed: Frauson in State Headquarters or SMSGT Horton at the Main Control Center right away. Home games will be played at the base.

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AIRMANS CLUB SCHEDULE SET

- Tuesday, Feb. 21--Stag Night
- Friday, Feb. 24--Bingo Jackpot (\$75)
- Friday, March 3--Dance

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"FRUIT SALAD" ORDER

Dig out that "fruit salad," men.

The National Guard Bureau has passed along an Air Force policy decision requiring all active duty and retired members of the Air Force, including members of the Reserve components to wear all authorized ribbons when wearing "Class A" uniforms. This order will be effective 1 March 61.

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Jets To Boxcars

TRANSITION CONTINUES

TRANSITION INTO the NCANG's new C-119J "Flying Boxcars" will get off the ground this week after a few weeks of informal orientation.

Four pilots and four flight mechanics will go to Newark Monday for a week's transitional training on C-119's by the New Jersey ANG. Upon return, they will serve as instructors in checking out other members of the 145th Aeromedical Transport Gp the craft.

Pilots going to Newark include Major William V. Elliott, Major William I. Crowell, Captain Herbert R. Spaug and Captain William T. Bundy. Majors Elliott and Crowell and Captain Bundy are Air Technicians.

Flight mechanics going with them will be TSQTS Donald L. Creason, Jack H. Lee, Wiley D. Lowrey and Harvey E. Sigmon.

TRAINING DETACHMENT

An Air Force mobile training detachment from Chanute AFB, Ill., is scheduled to arrive here early in May to give three months of instruction in C-119 operation and maintenance. These instructors will go with the unit to field training in Aug.

Several Guard pilots have multi-engine experience, including C-119 time, and have been doing some preliminary transition work in the transports already.

The 145th will operate 10 C-119C craft instead of the seven C-119J's originally programmed for the NCANG. The Air Force
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Flying Slots

MED TECHNICIANS NEEDED

WANT TO FLY?

The Guard is seeking airman volunteers for reassignment as medical technicians, with flying status.

The new slots, created by the switch-over to an aeromedical mission, will be filled from airmen already members of the NCANG, up to the rank of Staff Sergeant.

The openings will offer a chance to fly on the new transports on mercy missions, as well as new training opportunities and added pay.

Any airmen who wish to volunteer should see their unit commanders before the end of this drill.

Several factors will
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K H A K I T I M E

It's khaki time again.

Summer uniforms will be mandatory starting 1 April and at all drill periods through 30 September.

Proposed UMDs Are In

NCANG is beginning to get an idea of where Guard manpower will be placed as the switch-over to aeromedical operation is made.

The information comes from proposed unit manning documents now in the hands of Guard administrative officers. Not final, they are to enable planning to fill the slots that will fall open as the change is completed.

According to a letter dated 17 March, from Captain Kenneth E. Nantz, the
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'Heresy' (Chaplain's Corner)

In recent weeks nation-wide publicity has been given to what is termed the "liberal" views of noted churchmen. Such men have been labeled "heretics" for describing the "virgin birth" or even the "resurrection"--to say nothing of the miracles of Jesus--as legendary stories or myths. In one instance a bishop is being called unworthy to hold church office for stating that the virgin birth of Christ was not an historical fact.

Several observations can be made with profit on these "heretical" matters.

1. Churchmen whose views have grown "liberal" frequently have reached such a point as a result of much study, soul-searching and spiritual wrestling. Far from being indifferent to the church, they are among the most concerned about the faith. They have given priority to the search for truth rather than to the perpetuation of inherited creeds and first-century thought patterns. They are eager for a genuine communication of the Gospel-message to the technologically minded man of the twentieth century.
2. Many churches allow freedom of thought on theological issues not pertinent to salvation. For example, the virgin birth of Christ is considered a matter for academic opinion rather than an item of faith necessary for salvation.

NURSE RECRUITING GOES WELL

Recruiting of flight nurses for the new aeromedical mission is going "very well," says Captain Kenneth E. Nantz, Assistant Administrative Officer.

Captain Nantz said no specific information as to numbers are available now.

But applications, written and personal, are coming in in satisfactory numbers. A two-state press release brought a dozen or so inquires by mail from outside Charlotte, and about the same number locally.

About a dozen personal interviews have been conducted. Applications are still being accepted.

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PROPOSED UMDs, Cont'

proposed manning documents call for approximately the same number of airmen as the ADC mission required, but they aren't in identical career fields.

The proposed manning documents, broken down by Guard squadrons, show approximately the following strengths:

Hq, 145th--31 officers; 75 airmen.

145th ABRON--12 officers; 243 airmen.

145th CAMRON--7 officers; 250 airmen.

USAF DISP--10 officers; 24 airmen.

156th TRANSP--71 officers; 26 airmen.

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3. The deepest truths and spiritual mysteries defy literal expression; in speaking of love, beauty, freedom, the Kingdom of God, the Incarnation, Eternal Life, etc., one must resort to the language of poetry or parables.
4. The great heresies today are not in terms of wrong-thinking but in terms of wrong-living; not in denying time-honored teachings of the church but in not doing the will of the Lord of the Church.

--Chaplain S. D. Maloney

TRANSITION, Cont'

has speeded up release of its plentiful C-119C's for reserve forces flying activities. As a result, the less-numerous C-119J's, now scattered among ANG and AFR flying units, will be reassigned to fill out units that are already operational in C-119J's.

MAJOR DIFFERENCES

The major differences in the two craft types are in their engines and propellers and in the shape of the rear fuselage. The C-119C has larger engines, although horsepower ratings are almost the same. The C-119C has a "clam shell" fuselage rear, while the C119J has a "beaver tail" shape.

Another C119J is scheduled to come in Tuesday, giving us a total of four. These will be used for transition for a few weeks until the C-119C's start arriving, after which they will be ferried elsewhere.

Word is still indefinite on when the NCANG will receive its promised Super Constellations, which will replace the C-119C's.

Only nine of the 145th's original 25 F-86L jet fighters are still here. Within the past month, two flights of eight aircraft each have ferried 16 of the jets to Davis-Monthan AFB, Tucson, Ariz., for storage. Another eight will go to Davis-Monthan on 29 March, and the remaining one will go to Pope AFB.

SUPPLY MOVES QUICKLY

Supply had to pull a fast switch because of the unexpected change from C-119J's to C-119C's. Armament, extra parts and ground handling equipment for the old jet fighters are being shipped out through this month.

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INSURANCE & ASSN. DUES ARE
PAYABLE NEXT DRILL TO YOUR
AGENT. CHECKS PAYABLE TO NCANG ASSN.

Have you recently joined the Guard? If so you will want to investigate the advantages of joining the North Carolina Guard Association. The membership fee is very small, and you can get either \$5000 or \$10,000 in group life insurance at a low rate.

MEDTECHNICIANS, Cont'

be considered, including physical condition, aptitude for cross-training into a new career field; closeness of permanent residence to Douglas Airport (since an average of nine additional training periods will be necessary during the year); grade below Staff Sergeant, except in case of individuals who will accept administrative reduction to get flying status; and availability for USAF Service School training, although it won't be mandatory.

Here is an estimate of quarterly pay for those who go on flying status:

Grade	2 yrs.	4 yrs.	6 yrs.	8 yrs.
A2C	\$128	\$140		
A1C	\$150	\$168	\$178	\$189
SSGT		\$199	\$203	\$213

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OFFICER'S WIVES ELECT

Mrs. Marian McNeil has been elected president of the Officers Wives Club.

Other officers include Mrs. Pat Erhart, vice president, Mrs. Elizabeth Hanes, secretary and Mrs. Betty Jane Dillon, treasurer, with Mrs. Ellen Gallent, Mrs. Jane Straughn, Mrs. Peggy Payne and Mrs. Martha Crowell serving as committee chairmen.

The ladies have already started an active social program including a Covered Dish Supper yesterday evening and a dancing class which meets at 8:30 p.m. Mondays.

Enrollments in the class will be accepted through tomorrow.

Mrs. McNeil promised "interesting and varied" programs during the coming year and urged all wives of Officer Club members to attend the next monthly meeting Tuesday evening, April 4, at 8 p.m.

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PARKING PROBLEMS BRING CRACKDOWN

That old bugaboo, parking, has brought a new crackdown.

Starting today, parking is prohibited along the shoulders of the street that passes in front of the O & T Building and in other unauthorized parking areas, such as along supply streets in the Air Guard area.

Assigned parking places are retained in only three areas: the strip in front of the O & T Building, the circle just behind the building, and the strip beside the Guard hangar.

Parking space assignments have been cancelled in the two large parking lots, Guardsmen will use these lots on a first-come-first-served basis, parking in spaces indicated by tags to prevent haphazard parking.

Although Guard tags will no longer be necessary for parking in the two large lots, Guardsmen are urged to secure these tags, since they will be required if private cars are carried to field training this summer at Savannah.

If cars overflow the lots, the excess automobiles are authorized to be parked at the club.

Personnel are urged to cooperate in this move to stop street congestion that has brought on many complaints and created a dangerous situation. It will also enable better administrative control over ANG personnel.

If Guardsmen do not follow this directive, however, it may be necessary to ask the City of Charlotte to post "No Parking" signs in unauthorized areas and issue parking tickets to violators.

From Stripes To Bars

Rapid advancement has come to two former airmen who joined the Guard in the fall of 1958 as airmen basic.

Both Fred R. Sheheen, a former A1C, and Robert E. Hord, a former A2C, have become Second Lieutenants--Sheheen as of 16 March, Hord as of 12 January.

Lt. Sheheen, a 1958 graduate of Duke University, 24, is Rock Hill correspondent for the Charlotte Observer. Lt. Hord, also a 1958 Duke graduate, 25, is an accountant with S. D. Leidesdorf & Co., Certified Public Accountants, in Charlotte.

Lt. Sheheen is a Personnel Specialist, and graduated from the Personnel Specialist School at Lackland. Lt. Hord, after basic at Lackland, attended Supply School at Amarillo, Tex. He's cross-trained as a Medical Material Specialist since then, and is a Medical Supply Officer.

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A Contest!

The North Carolina Guard Assn. is sponsoring a contest for the purpose of securing an official symbol for the Assn.

The winner will receive a \$50 Bond and his picture in the "Tar Heel Guardsman."

The contest begins April 1 and ends May 15, 1961.

Contest rules follow:

1. Only members of the Assn. are eligible to submit entries.
2. The slogan submitted with and in connection with the entry will symbolize the purpose of the NCNG Assn. and what it stands for. Example--A Strong Association Means a Strong Guard.
3. In case of a tie, the entry with the earliest postmark will win.

Address entries to NCNG Assn., Room 300, 133 Fayetteville Street, Raleigh.

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— AIRMEN WIVES SEEK MEMBERS —

The Airmen's Wives Auxiliary are continuing their membership drive. With a membership of about 36 at present, the Auxiliary has been active in keeping the Club well decorated for parties, dances and other social functions. President is Mrs. Lacy Graham. Other officers are Mesdames Peggy Graham, Ann McConnell, Reba Foster, Jean Auten, and Sue Latham.

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FULL-SPEED TRANSITION NEARS

FLOCK OF FLIERS

Response to last month's call for air-men volunteers for flying status was terrific.

More than 100 Guardsmen applied for the flying slots, which were created by the unit's switchover to an aeromedical mission.

Approximately 65 airmen applied for the flying aeromedical technician slots and the others sought flight mechanic assignments.

There will be no mass move to flying status. Qualified airmen will receive intensive ground training and then will be placed on flying status on an individual basis as operational requirements permit.

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THREE MAKE CHIEF

Three men in the NCANG have been promoted to CMSGT--Chief Master Sergeant.

The three are Billy C. Shermer, Billie D. Fish and James E. Horton.

Besides these three super-grade promotions, fifteen other men have recently added stripes.

To MSGT--Gary L. Cloninger.

To SSGT--Arthur F. Dancy, Jr., Douglas D. McCoy, Raymond W. Phillips, Jr., Thomas B. West, Johnny R. Bustle, Jr., Bobby G. Knight.

To A2C--Charles S. Heilig, Jr., Harold Connelly, Jr., William M. Guinness, Purvis W. Simpson, Wilson M. Snell, Phillip G. Stone.

To A1C--Ronald L. Dowell, J. R. Simmons

FULL-FLEDGED TRANSITION into the NCANG's C-119C "Flying Boxcars" will start the next drill weekend, 20-21 May.

An Air Force mobile training detachment from Chanute AFB, Ill., will be here to start a three-month training program in C-119C operation and maintenance. The instructors will accompany the group to field training at Savannah 29 July-12 August.

Training schedules will be ready in time to start at the May drill. They will be completed in conference with the training detachment, which is scheduled to arrive here a few days before 20 May. Section heads will announce class schedules to their personnel.

The mobile training detachment will conduct operational training for pilots and maintenance courses for CAMRON personnel. These will include general C-119 courses as well as specialized training in the aircraft's various systems.

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CONVENTION SET

The North Carolina National Guard Association convention will be held in Durham on 12-13 May.

The By-Laws of the Association establish the number of official delegates "as one delegate and one alternate for every 50 Association members or major fraction thereof." Each unit, regardless of the number of members, will be entitled to at least one delegate.

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CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

It Is More

Christians are frequently concerned about the relationship of Christianity to the other religions of the world. In my judgment we do wrong to think of Christianity as merely one religion among the several major religions. If Christianity is just another religion — one with its own distinctive creed, Scripture and ritual — it does not merit our absolute devotion. Rather, Christianity is much more than a religion. It both raises the problems of man and gives the answers to man's basic questions: Who am I? Why am I here? Where am I going? What is my relationship to the universe and to the Creator of the universe? Who is my neighbor? What should I do?

Christianity offers us the answers to the universal longing for meaning in existence. Man's major needs for meaning and relationship are supplied by the heart of the Christian faith. Christianity can supply these for all men in this world. And the very universality of the essence of Christianity makes it relevant for all intelligent life beyond this world.

Christianity is, thus, much more than 11 o'clock services, fellowship suppers, committee meetings and classes. It is even more than the sacraments and the Bible. It is a confrontation with God, with man and with self. In a powerful and amazing way it provides the solution to meaningful living and right relationships. In the final analysis it is the hope for man and mankind.

—Chaplain S. D. Maloney

ATTENTION BOWLERS

Something new in the way of tournaments will be added at this year's summer camp in Savannah.

In addition to softball and golf, a bowling tournament is being planned. At the present time no limit has been placed on the number of teams that can be entered. There will be three men to the team.

The teams, which should designate a captain, should be turned in to A2C Swede Frauson in the O&T Building no later than the May drill. The teams, pairings and tournament site in Savannah will be announced later by the 145th News.

HELP WANTED?

Plans are afoot to build a swimming pool and pitch-and-putt golf course for the Recreation Center, according to a form sent out by CMSGT James E. Horton, president of the Recreation Center board of directors.

If enough interest is shown, efforts will be made to secure needed property. Raw materials will be available at no cost to members, he said, but the project will need active support from those with muscle-power available who have a few hours to spare.

All airmen interested in the swimming pool or golf course should get the form sent out by SGT Horton, fill it out, and return it to him.

DEAD EYE DICKS?

Capt. William T. Bundy asks that any Air guardsman interested in joining a pistol or rifle team get in touch with him during this drill.

NCANG will organize a team for inter-service competition if enough marksmen volunteer. Competition is in three categories — pistol; large- and small-bore rifle. Teams of National Guard sharpshooters will take part in the All-Air Force shoot at Lackland, June 5 - 21.

You needn't be a Buffalo Bill to apply. See Capt. Bundy at State Hq. after 4 p. m. today.

AT CONFERENCE

Five NCANG representatives attended the annual two-day Air National Guard Commanders' Conference and Flying Safety Conference Thursday and Friday at Ellington AFB, Tex.

Making the C-119 trip were Col. William J. Payne, Col. Robert W. Brooks, Lt. Col. Walter B. Waclawski, Maj. William V. Elliott, and Capt. Sam Sue. TSGT Donald L. Creason went along as flight mechanic.

At the conference, the 145th Aeromedical Transport Group was welcomed into the Western Transport AF (MATS), which is responsible for Air Force aeromedical activity in the continental U. S.

There was also a detailed discussion of flying safety, with stress laid on the fact that the military flight accident rate zoomed sharply during the first three months of this year.

GOT YOUR PASS ?

In an attempt to break up congestion inside and outside the dining hall, blue and white passes go into effect this week end. They were required at lunch today and will be for all meals on base hereafter.

Passes are in two colors. Those holding blue passes eat at one time, those holding white at another. No pass is good when opposite colors are eating.

In special circumstances, yellow passes, good any time the mess hall is open, will be issued. They will be controlled and cannot be kept.

Be sure you go to the mess hall at the right hours for your color. The times are listed on the cards.

OFFICER'S CALL

Col. Robert W. Brooks, Group Commander, has scheduled a Commander's Call for all officers in the group today at 1600 hours in the Q&T Main Auditorium. A film will be shown on Air Force recognition.

All officers were urged to attend.

TRANSITION, Cont'd

Most of these specialized classes will be held in the appropriate maintenance shop, such as the propeller shop or the hydraulic shop, because of lack of space for separate training sites. Several O&T building classrooms will be used in the program.

Air technicians in the aircraft maintenance section have been conducting a C-119 ground training program for the past three weeks, and the operations section has been holding a ground school for pilots who were able to attend.

At present the NCANG has one C-119C, which arrived here from Kelly AFB, Texas, and four C-119Js. Four more C-119s are slated to arrive on 28 April from Barksdale AFB, La. Three additional C-119Cs will come from Barksdale early in May, and the ninth "C" model will arrive from Ellington AFB, Tex. All these aircraft have been operated by Air Force Reserve flying units. The 10th C-119C will come in later.

The four C-119Js will be transferred to other Air Guard units, with some of them earmarked for the 183rd Aeromedical Transport Squadron at Jackson, Miss., which, effective 1 May, will be assigned to the Charlotte group for mobilization and training purposes.

Departure of the group's three T-33 "T-Bird" jet trainers is scheduled to start by the end of May, taking us completely out of the jet business.

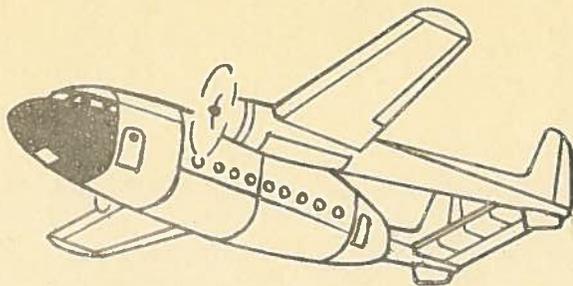
CONVENTION Cont'd

NCANG unit commanders will choose delegates and report names to Hq, NCANG. Only official delegates -- or alternates if delegates are absent -- can vote on Assn. matters. But all Assn. members are invited to attend.

WET YOUR HOOK

Guardsmen and members of their immediate households may -- as of May 1 -- fish in the Recreation Center lake, subject to certain rules. If violated, fishing privileges will be suspended. Rules follow:

1. Fishing in daylight hours only.
2. Bait worms only. No minnows, insects, or artificial lures -- except artificial worms. Except for kids' first catches, throw undersize bream & all bass back please.



ARMED FORCES DAY OBSERVED

FIELD TRAINING

Here is the latest information regarding Summer Camp and the drill dates for the remainder of the calendar year:

All the facilities normally available to this unit during Summer Camp will not be at our disposal during the period 29 July-12 August. The reason is that the Maryland ANG starts its training at Travis Field on August and will require certain facilities. Representatives of NCANG and the Maryland Guard had a recent conference to allocate facilities. Maryland is a Troop Carrier Squadron.

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WINS OAK LEAVES

Major Kenneth E. Nantz, Group Personnel Officer, pinned on his gold leaves recently. The promotion was effective 10 April.

A veteran of more than 17 years of service, Maj. Nantz served more than four years in World War II, then joined the NCANG when it was organized in 1948, serving as a First Sergeant. He was recalled to active duty as a Warrant Officer for the Korean War in 1950, and served in Korea with the 452nd Bomb Wing.

Released as a Chief Warrant Officer in 1952, he rejoined the NCANG and served as CWO until April, 1957, when made a Captain.

TODAY IS ARMED FORCES DAY.

Some 5,000 people are expected to be touring the new NCANG facilities after 12:30. The displays will stay open to the public until 4:30.

This is the first time the public has had a chance to see the Guard's new aeromedical transport planes. Children will be allowed to climb into the pilot's seat and look at the flying instruments.

Other displays will include crash equipment, aeromedical equipment, an aircraft engine, pilot's personal equipment and radio relay van. There will be movies in the auditorium of the O & T Building and a refreshment stand will be open to the public.

Theme for Armed Forces Day, which is part of the Armed Forces Week designated by President Eisenhower before he left office, is "Power for Peace." This is the 12th annual celebration.

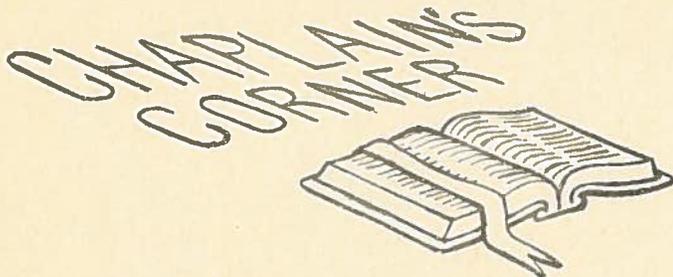
The aim is to acquaint the general public with the activities and equipment of active and reserve forces units during peacetime.

Last year's "delayed" AF Day, coinciding with the dedication of the O & T Building by Gov. Luther H. Hodges, featured exhibits of many types of Air Force aircraft and performances by the famous "Thunderbirds" precision flying team.

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No travel and study opportunity is as enticing to a professor of the Judeo-Christian heritage as a visit to the land of the Bible, a land which today for many reasons of strife and bitterness could be called an "unholy" land. A trip to Palestine is as essential for a Bible professor as a trip to England is for a professor of Shakespeare.

Thanks to several grants from foundations and benevolent individuals I will fly from New York to the Middle East on June 8. En route are two days and a bull fight in Madrid stopovers in Rome, Athens and then six days in Egypt. At the time of the June drill I will be at St. Catherine's monastery at the foot of Mt. Sinai preparing to climb that extinct volcano which the ancient Hebrew called the "Mountain of God."

From Beirut I drive by way of Damascus and Amman to Jerusalem. During two weeks in Jordan I hope to visit every major archaeological site including a horseback trip to the ancient Nabataean city of Petra. During the summer Miss Kathleen Kenyon, prominent British archaeologist, will begin the first excavation ever undertaken in Jerusalem. I am particularly interested in being on hand for that historic moment.

Most of July I plan to spend in Israel studying archaeology and becoming familiar

VISITING PASTORS

Minister for the June drill will be Bishop Herbert Spaugh of the Moravian Church and pastor of the Little Church on the Lane. He will preach in the absence of Chaplain Maloney who will be on a study-tour in the Middle East.

Dr. Spaugh has been a leading citizen in Charlotte for many years. He has served on the city School Board since 1937 and has been Chairman of this group for several recent years. His daily column "The Everyday Counselor" appears in the Charlotte NEWS. He conducts a Wednesday evening class on the psychology of Christian living. He is a former Army Reserve Chaplain with the 60th Cavalry. He is identified best as the father of our notable pilot Captain Herb Spaugh.

Dr. Warner L. Hall, pastor of the Covenant Presbyterian Church, will preach for the July drill.

These men are interested in becoming better acquainted with the ANG, its men and its program; but it is our privilege that they will share our services with us.

Col. Robert W. Brooks will preside at these services and 1st Lt. Billy J. Reid will lead the singing and present special music.

BOWLERS ROLL

The 156th Aeromed Sq bowling team goes after the Military Bowling League Championship Wednesday night against the Air Force Reserve "Falcon Five."

Aeromed won its chance to meet the Air Force Reserve team by winning the second half title. The championship rolloff comes at 7:30 p.m. at Coliseum Lanes.

Major Blaine Nash is the Aeromed team captain and the team's leading scorer. Other bowlers to roll in the match are 1st Lt. Jerry Ballard, TSGT Coy Fowler, SSGT Odell Beatty and SSGT Bobby Small.

with the culture of the new State of Israel. Then on to Geneva, Paris, London and finally, if not climactically, to the historic city of Savannah for the first two weeks of August. See you then.

--Chaplain S. D. Maloney

BASE IS HAVING ITS FACE LIFTED

AS THE AIR GUARD'S MISSION changes, so does the face of Douglas Field.

A short tour conducted by Major Willie Polk, Installations Officer, showed how. The wingspan of the giant transport planes has first of all required shifts of fencing, power lines, and fuel depots back from the ramp. The area immediately in front of the fuel tanks--which have been emptied and cleaned--will soon be paved, as will the rest of the front ramp.

The BOQ have been completely renovated inside. The rooms and halls are painted, new fixtures are installed in the latrines, and new stained doors are on each separate room.

The barracks, known to some as "Eden Rock" and to others as "Americana" have been completely redone inside and out. Asbestos siding has been added and the interior painted. The latrine is due to be renovated and a new oil heating system has replaced the old coal furnace. New furnaces have been installed elsewhere, too.

The old dispensary (bldg. 12) will become the flight nurses' headquarters and orderly room. Green paint has been applied inside, while the outside has been bricked.

At the dining hall kitchen, tile has been laid on the floor and as many have already noticed an officer's mess added to the rear.

Building 15 is still in the process of renovation. It has been covered outside with asbestos siding and the interior is due for overhaul.

At the hangar, there is a new latrine with new fixtures and ceramic tile.

ATTEND AGA MEETING

Led by Major General Claude T. Bowers, N. C. Adjutant General, several key state officers represented the N. C. National Guard at the Adjutant Generals' Association meeting held this month in Wichita, Kans.

Col. William J. Payne, NCANG commander, represented the Air Guard at the meeting.

National Guard programming for the next fiscal year was explained, and a resolution was passed aimed at raising the Air Guard's ceiling on drill pay strength from its present level of approximately 90 per cent. This would permit 100 per cent manning of units.

The requirement was discussed compelling at least six months active duty for non-prior-service Guardsmen, and the need for continued waiver of this requirement.

A resolution was passed to make plans for possible use of National Guard units for local recovery missions in case of enemy attack on the U. S.

Several important items of policy affecting the Army Guard were aired.

Others attending from N. C. were Col. Thomas B. Longest, Col. Roy K. Thompson, and Lt. Col. Charles S. Manooch, Jr.

TOURNEY OFF

The Bowling Tournament which was scheduled for summer camp and announced in last month's 145TH NEWS, has been cancelled.

The reasons for this decision are limited time and limited facilities.

A list of bowling facilities will be listed in the June issue of the NEWS for convenience of interested bowlers.

TURN'EM IN

Qualifying golf scores for the summer camp links tournament must be turned in no later than the June unit training assembly.

Scores may be given to Airman Frauson, State Headquarters, O & T Building. Flights will be announced in the NEWS in July.

PASS TEST

Qualifying scores on the AFJKT have been posted by (all A3C) Donald H. Denton, Jr., Junious M. Gaffney, Jr., Kalman S. Gordon, Robert R. Hamrick, Billy M. Everhart, and Horace R. Vann.

FULL-THROTTLE

Transition of the N. C. Air Guard into its new C-119C aircraft is going full-throttle now with the help of an Air Force instruction team.

The nine-man mobile training detachment arrived Friday on assignment from Sheppard Technical Training Center, Wichita Falls, Tex., and will remain with us through field training at Savannah.

Capt. Rudolph F. D'Urbano commands the detachment. The 106-hour maintenance transition course started yesterday, and the 64-hour aircrew course will start Monday.

A five-day-a-week training schedule will be followed for air technicians and two evening sessions are planned each week for aircrew members.

The detachment brought mockups of most C-119 systems to use in instruction.

Nine of the 145th's 10 assigned C-119C Flying Boxcars are on hand now, with the 10th expected to arrive within two weeks. Only two of the unit's interim C-119J's are left. They are scheduled to leave tomorrow for use by the 183rd Aeromedical Transport Squadron at Jackson, Miss., one of the squadrons assigned to the 145th AMT group.

Two other distant ATS squadrons are now officially assigned to the 145th. They are the 167th at Martinsburg, W. Va., and the 187th at Cheyenne, Wyo.

MSGT Steve A. Richwalder is NCOIC and radio instructor for the detachment. Other instructors include TSgt Glenn D. Wellman, SSGTs James H. Asbill, Clarence L. Fogal, William A. Suverkubbe, Ramon P. Valencia and Philip A. Wherry, and A1C Henry L. Jablonski.

The unit came here from White Plains, N. Y., where it trained units of the New York ANG. After completing its duty here, it will go to Pittsburgh to work with the Pennsylvania ANG.

NEW ARRIVAL

SSGT and Mrs. Lonnie T. Bond announce the birth of a son, 24 April at Memorial Hospital. He weighed in at six pounds, -15½ ounces.

WANTED: NURSES

The Guard is still seeking qualified nurses to serve on aeromedical flying status.

These nurses, whose Guard duties may be in addition to their civilian work, need not have prior service. As officers, they will attend three weeks of basic orientation at Gunter AFB, then six weeks of flight nurse training at the USAF School of Aviation Medicine, Brooks AFB, Tex.

Several nurses are in the processing for appointment, and one is attending school now.

Any interested nurses between 20 and 35 (if non-prior service), with no dependents under 18 years of age, who may or may not be married, are asked to get in touch with Maj. Kenneth E. Nantz, Personnel Officer.

State Convention

Possible changes in the Reserve Officer Personnel Act to ease its impact on the NC NG were discussed by delegates to the NCNG Association convention held in Durham.

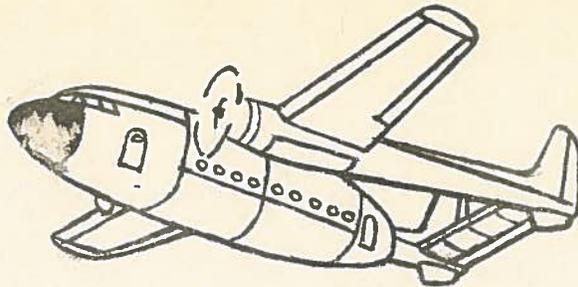
Major General Claude T. Bowers, Adjutant General, announced that his staff is studying the ROPA problem and possible changes that would require congressional action.

Delegates adopted a resolution introduced by Gen. Bowers asking that steps be taken to prevent any cut in authorized strength of the Army or Air Guard.

New state officers were elected. They include Gen. Weston Willis, president; Lt. Col. Robert Higgins and MSGT Luby Bell, vice presidents; Col. Roy Thompson, secretary; MSGT Robert M. Cassell, treasurer, Capt. Samuel Maloney, chaplain; and Col. Bruton, judge advocate.

Members of the exec. council are Col. Ivan Hardesty, Maj. Kenneth Nantz, Capt. Lockey, WO Poteet and MSGT M. E. Allen.

Representing the Air Guard were Col. Payne, Col. Jetton, Col. Brooks, Maj. Huntley, Maj. Sheldon, Maj. Palmer, Capt. Senn, 1st Lt. Stephenson, MSGTs Carrick, Graham, Helton and Murray and TSgts Lathan and Springs.



ANG COMMANDER WINS STAR

SECOND ADVISER COMING

A second Air Force Adviser officer has been assigned to the NCANG.

Major Clyde Hansen will report for duty in July as a medical administrative officer.

Major Mary C. O'Neill, a flight nurse administrator, reported for duty in April.

A new Senior Air Adviser is expected to be named within the next few weeks to replace Col. Walter B. Waclawski, who departs this month after a four-year tour of duty.

FEW SQUEAKS

With a few squeaks and rattles—not unexpected—transition into the NCANG's new C-119C Flying Boxcars is proceeding about as planned.

Pilots and maintenance personnel are attending regular transition classes being conducted by a nine-man mobile training detachment which will remain with us through field training at Savannah.

The switch from C-119J's to C-119C's is now complete. We have all 10 authorized C-119C's and all the unit's interim C-119J's have been flown out.

Changing over to transports has brought some maintenance and supply problems. These problems will fade as ANG personnel become more familiar with the aircraft and the flow of replacement parts is worked out.

Now it's Brigadier General Payne at the helm of the N. C. Air National Guard.

Gov. Terry Sanford pinned the silver star on Gen. William J. Payne recently in ceremonies at Raleigh, signifying his promotion and assignment as Assistant Adjutant General (Air) for the State of North Carolina. The promotion was effective 25 April.

It climaxes more than 20 years of active and inactive military service for Gen. Payne. He received an ROTC commission from Clemson College upon his graduation in 1938.

Three years later he graduated from flying school and flew fighters through World War II, emerging in 1946 as a Lieutenant Colonel.

Gen. Payne flew 163 combat missions in Spitfire aircraft in the North African, Sicilian, Italian, Balkans and European campaigns during the war. He also served in various flying command and staff positions at Stateside air bases.

In 1947 he helped organize the NCANG at Charlotte and was named commander of the 156th Fighter Bomber Squadron and then base detachment commander.

Called to active duty along with the Guard for the Korean War in 1950, he headed fighter bomber units at Gosman Field, Ky., and Shaw AFB, S. C. He served a year in Ko-

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GEN. PAYNE

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THE CHAPLAIN'S CORNER, monthly message by Chaplain S. D. Maloney usually carried in this space, will be omitted this month and next month while he is away on a tour of the Holy Land. It will be resumed in August.

NO CAMP CASH

No last-minute shopping sprees at Samah this year, men.

Payment for field training will be made by check after we return to Charlotte.

Finance tried hard to retain the old system of paying off in cash before leaving Travis Field, but were overruled by higher finance echelons.

Field training will start 29 July and will continue through 12 August.

Hey, Golfers

Time's running out, you par-busters.

Qualifying golf scores for the golf tournament at field training must be turned in no later than the end of today's drill. Scores may be given to Air-

man Frauson, Personnel Office, O & T Building.

WANT INSURANCE ?

Once again this summer Air Guardsmen can take advantage of a special low-premium group accident insurance policy.

Two plans are offered, both giving a full year's coverage and guaranteed renewable. Insured Guardsmen are covered at all times they are on Guard property, performing duty for the Guard, additional flying training periods, at annual field training (24 hours a day), or while traveling to or from these duties.

If you have not already received an application form, see your First Sergeant. They must be completed and turned in today.

Premiums must be paid no later than 1600 hours on 16 July 1961, the second day of the July drill, when policies will be issued. Coverage will start immediately upon completion of application forms.

The NCANG was featured in a full-page picture story in yesterday's issue of THE CHARLOTTE NEWS. A week ago, newly-promoted Gen. William J. Payne was featured as THE NEWS' "Man In the News." Both features were written by Guard Capt. Bill Hughes, a staff writer for THE NEWS.

Con't - GEN. PAYNE

rea, flying combat missions in F-80 jets.

Promoted to colonel in 1953, he has served as NCANG Commander since July 1954.

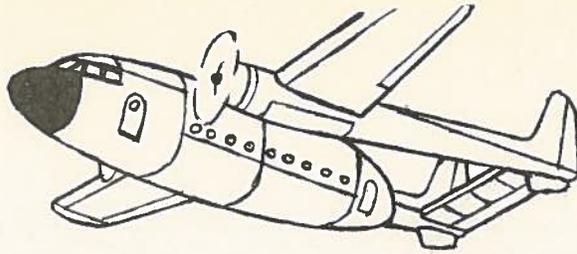
Gen. Payne's decorations include the Air Medal with six Oak Leaf Clusters, Purple Heart, EAME Campaign Medal with six battle stars, Korean Service Medal with three battle stars, and the Korean Presidential Unit Citation.

In 1957, he was named Charlotte Aviation Man of the Year

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READY FOR SAVANNAH

OHIO UNIT COMING

We won't be here, but the NCANG's Charlotte home base will be humming while we are spending our second week at field training in Savannah.

The Ohio Air Guard's 123rd AG & W Squadron will hold its field training here starting 30 July to take part in Operation Swift Strike, the largest Air Force-Army combat training exercise held in the past decade.

The 240-man squadron will set up its radar equipment on the ANG back ramp and closed runway for use in Swift Strike. The men will be billeted on base.

They will share the base with our NCANG air technicians the week after we come back from field training.

Two airborne divisions and 400 Air Guard, Air Reserve and Air Force planes will take part in the exercises. They will cover 10,000 square miles in the Piedmont Carolinas.

VISIT LACKLAND

Five N. C. Air Guard representatives attended a special Air National Guard program last week at Lackland AFB, Texas.

Led by Brig. Gen. William J. Payne, the group joined almost 150 key state Air Guard officers from throughout the United States in a complete briefing and orientation on training being given Air Guardsmen at Lackland.

The visitors inspected airman barracks, physical training facilities and drill instruction. They were honored by a wing parade of regular and Air Guard trainees, and observed the Lackland OCS and legal and chaplain officers' schools. Maj. Gen. Stillman, Lackland commander, was host. Col. Brooks, Col. Jetton, and Capt. Bundy accompanied Gen. Payne.

Get the mosquito repellent ready, because Savannah is not far away!

Roll call for departure to Travis Field will come at 0630 Saturday, 29 July. Departure for field training comes thirty minutes later. Eat breakfast at home — the NCANG chow hall won't be open.

The two week, all-expense paid trip will end on August 12. This will be the first field training under the new aeromedical mission and the first real workout for the C-119's and crews.

This will mark the eighth straight session at the Travis training site, and to all except the recent recruits it has become a "home."

The usual extracurricular activities are scheduled for the two-week stay, including golf at the Mary Calder Club, movies on base, swimming and softball.

During the period 6-12 August, the 135th Troop Carrier Squadron, Maryland Air National Guard, will also attend field training at Travis. Some training site facilities will be shared during this period.

PRESS TRIPS

Two press trips have been planned for North Carolina press and radio personnel to observe the NCANG operations at summer camp this year. This procedure has been followed for several years and has meant a great deal in the way of publicity and public understanding for the Guard.

In addition, doctors and nurses from this area will be special guests of the Guard for a tour like that of the press. Their main interest will be to see how the aeromedical organization functions.

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MOBILIZATION ?

A week or so ago, newspaper headlines, quoting "sources" in Washington, hinted that the National Guard and Reserves -- possibly including the Air Guard -- might be called up to active duty.

Such a mobilization, if it took place, might affect every member of the North Carolina Guard and their families. Naturally it is vitally interesting to us all.

What is the story behind the rumor? Could it be true?

For the story behind the rumor, one must turn to the highly informal pow-wow between President Kennedy and Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev in Vienna recently. The President returned from Vienna to describe his meeting with the Red premier as "somber" but in his radio-TV report to the nation he did not elaborate. In an "off-the-record" conference with key congressional leaders some days later President Kennedy revealed the source of his worry: In Vienna, Khrushchev had again exploded noisily over the long-stalemate German problem. He told the President that West Berlin -- embedded miles deep in Soviet-controlled East Germany -- is "a bone in my throat." He said he meant to remove it.

The Berlin problem is an old one (145th News, December, 1960) -- perhaps the key to the whole European problem. Because the Russians refuse to honor their agreement that conquered Germany would someday be reunited in "free elections" the Soviet and French-British-American occupation zones have since frozen into what are to all intents separate countries, one of them a Soviet satellite.

This situation might be satisfactory to both Russia and the West, were it not for the fact of Free Berlin, isolated far behind the armed East German frontiers. Berlin has become a funnel for German refugees fleeing across the iron curtain; it has severely damaged Soviet prestige in Eastern Europe -- not to mention the crucial point that the flight of these refugees has robbed the East German state of many tech-

CHURCH SCHEDULE

Protestant Church services will be held by Chaplain Maloney on both July 30 and August 6 in the Base Gym, Building 243, at 0900 hours.

Catholic and Jewish personnel who desire to attend their services are urged to contact the Chaplain if transportation is desired.

Mass may be attended at Hunter Air Force Base, Port Wentworth (Our Lady of Lourdes) or Savannah (Blessed Sacrament, 1005 E. Victory Drive), (Cathedral of St. John The Baptist, 200 East Harris), (Sacred Heart, 1707 Bull Street).

Jewish services are at Orthodox Synagogue, 112 Montgomery, and Reformed Synagogue, 20 E. Gordon.

The Chaplain's Office at the rear of the Base Gym is open at all times during duty hours for consultation. The Chaplain is available for counselling after duty hours by appointment.

--Chaplain S. D. Maloney

Mailing Address

All personnel are asked to take note of the correct mailing address to be in use during field training.

NAME AND SERIAL NUMBER
(CORRECT UNIT NAME)
P. O. BOX 245
SAVANNAH, GEORGIA

The main problem concerning efficient mail service at Savannah is the fact that about 90 per cent of the men have used the sample address listed in the AMTG Bulletin, although they are in other units.

This has happened every year and means that mail is slow being posted in the correct mail slot because names must be found on a roster.

MOBILIZATION-Cont'd

nicians, teachers, scientists and professionals.

Ever since 1958, when Khrushchev had more or less consolidated his power in Russia, the Soviet premier has threatened to ignore post-war agreements and sign a separate peace treaty with East Germany. Even if the West accepted the move as a fact the move would -- or could -- seal off Berlin as the Soviets themselves tried to seal it off in 1948. Khrushchev has, as yet, made no overt threats against free Berlin. In fact, he pretends to wish it a "free city" under UN protection with all troops pulled out. Since the West has learned from hard experience that the Russians keep only those promises they find advantageous, there is no way of being certain such a "free city" would remain free very long.

Thus the official reply to the Russians since the recent Vienna meeting is that the U. S. -- with British and French backing -- will not get out of West Berlin. The possibilities of negotiation are not ruled out; President Eisenhower, two years ago, agreed with Khrushchev that the Berlin situation is "abnormal" -- though it is not clear that the word "abnormal" was being used by both in the same sense. Certainly the Western powers do not intend to be shoved around; nor do they intend to negotiate any German problem with a gun at the temple.

Coming to the point, most observers feel that Khrushchev has little intention of starting a shooting war over Berlin -- or for that matter of leaving East Germany to its own devices. After all, the East Germans sometimes lackey to the line of the war-mongering Red Chinese -- and might be prodded by the Chinese into touching off the war between the West and the Russians that neither side wants. Such an event would leave the Chinese sitting pretty.

The problem is to convince Khrushchev that the West is firm on not letting Berlin be tampered with -- and the further problem is that while Khrushchev may well be bluffing you can talk through your hat so long that on your bluff is called there is nothing left to do but fight or run.

Here, then, is where National Guard and Reserve mobilization could start. If the

President became convinced that mobilizing all available reserve forces, or part of them, would make it plain to the Russians that the U. S. means business -- if such mobilization could stop the Russian bluffing before it goes too far -- he might well sound the call.

For the moment, no one knows. There are several schools of thought in Washington on how to deal with the Berlin crisis when it comes. Rumor is that ex-Secretary of State Dean Acheson, now President Kennedy's NATO adviser, has prepared an "alert" plan to counter the Berlin threat which includes some Guard and reserve mobilization -- to what degree is not known. That report, apparently, is on the table before the National Security Council and the President now. Whether it will be adopted is the question; whether Khrushchev would change his tune before it need be put in to affect is another question. Some sources say it is or will be adopted. But James Reston, head of the New York Times Washington bureau, who has many pipelines into the government, flatly says no.

Certainly no decision has yet been made about mobilization. Nor does anyone know whether a general Guard mobilization would include NCANG. Anyone who pretends to know doesn't.

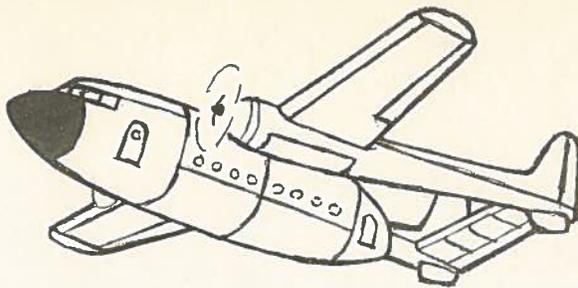
One thing is certain: The drastic step of mobilization of Reserve units and National Guard when there is no open warfare would not be lightly taken. If it is taken, National Guardsmen may well be sure that the crisis provoking it is considered grave indeed.

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WRITE THIS DOWN

The telephone number for the permanent switchboard at Travis Field is ADams 6-0291, Savannah, Georgia. Relatives and employers should be notified of this number, but that only important or emergency calls should be made to a person attending field training.

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FIELD TRAINING STARTS

REAL COOL

It happens every year.

The weatherman "welcomed" us to Savannah Saturday with blistering 97-degree temperature, the highest recorded here this summer.

Then what did he do the next day? He pushed the mercury up to 98 degrees for another record high.

Welcome to Savannah.

Visitors Coming

Newspaper and radio-TV reporters will visit Travis Field Thursday.

As in past years, they will be flown to Savannah in the morning to be briefed on and observe summer training.

Most of the Thursday group will represent Charlotte-area newspapers and radio-TV stations.

Another press group will come next Tuesday.

Also scheduled to observe Air Guard summer training is a group of doctors and medical administrators, who will be here Wednesday, August 9.

Details of the visits will appear in later editions of the 145TH NEWS.

SUPPORT YOUR
AIR NATIONAL GUARD ASSOCIATION

Once again the NCANG has made the mass trek to Travis Field for field training, our first summer camp session since we switched from fighter operation to an aeromedical transport mission.

As usual, most of the 686 guardsmen here drove down from Charlotte in their own vehicles. Ninety-seven men were airlifted in the group's C-119C Flying Boxcars, and others came in a military convoy bringing unit vehicles needed at Travis. ANG leaders praised the absence of notable mishaps.

Three of the eight aircraft that made the trip hauled tons of Air Guard equipment that in prior years was brought by truck. This functional use of the C-119'S was in itself good training for guardsmen.

They'll get more next week. On 3 August, four of our transports will return to Charlotte for a special mission. They'll haul radio equipment of the 263rd Communications Squadron (Wadesboro-Badin) to the St. Louis, Mo., area, where the communications outfit will spend its field training starting 13 August.

Transition into our aeromedical transport mission is going full blast. The Air Force mobile training detachment came here with us and is continuing flight and ground school sessions. Medical staffers are training new medical technicians.

GOLF GEAR

Several sets of Spaulding right-handed golf clubs, with bags, are available from the Recreation Office. These sets are to be signed for, noting the user and time of return.

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Chaplain's Corner

A high point -- literally -- of my recent visit to the Middle East was my excursion to Mt. Sinai. (Where Moses received the Ten Commandments, according to the Book of Exodus--Editors). Departing at 2 a. m. from Suez, by 8 a. m. we had passed the Well of Moses oasis and the military outpost at Abou Zenima. From then on we made our way with difficulty across sandy plains strewn with red, black, white and green limestone boulders, carried down from the mountains by thousands of winter flash floods.

Turning inland from the Gulf of Suez, we began to ascend the Sinai Range. We followed old trails, camel-caravan paths and dry wadis that weave in and out among the bare mountains.

We had lunch, after one blow out and being stuck several times in the sand, at the garden oasis of Wadi Feiran, where fathers from St. Catherine's monastery and a few Bedouin have grown a grape arbor and a vegetable garden featuring onions, squash, tomatoes and melons. We went on, then, past the plain where De Mille filmed "The Ten Commandments" and from there to St. Catherine's monastery -- the oldest and one of the richest Greek Orthodox churches in existence. There are 16 fathers, none of whom speak English.

On foot I made it 2000 feet up to the top of Mt. Sinai in two hours. At the top is the Chapel of Moses, and all about are the ruins of other Byzantine and Crusader chapels.

Three things impressed me about Mt. Sinai: (1) I came to a new and sympathetic understanding of the complainings of the Israelites to Moses, who, they thought, had brought them into the wilderness to die. (2) I stand in wonder at the devotion of the thousands in every generation who have made pilgrimages to and built chapels in this desolate place. (3) I became convinced that if God can break through to man in the rock wilderness of Sinai, He can confront man anywhere. --Chaplain S. D. Maloney

RECREATIONMOVIES

(2000 hrs. each evening, base gym)

Tuesday, Aug. 1: "Pride of St. Louis,"
Dan Dailey, Joanne Dru

Wednesday, Aug. 2: "The Eddie Duchin
Story," Tyrone Power, Kim Novak

Thursday, Aug. 3: "Have Rocket, Will
Travel," Three Stooges.

Friday, Aug. 4: "Who Was That Lady?"
Tony Curtis, Dean Martin, Janet
Leigh.

Saturday, Aug. 5: "Gene Krupa Story,"
Sal Mineo

Sunday, Aug. 6: "Harlem Globetrotters,"
with original Harlem Globetrotters

Monday, Aug. 7: "Man From Laramie,"
James Stewart

Tuesday, Aug. 8: "Man On A String,"
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GOLF

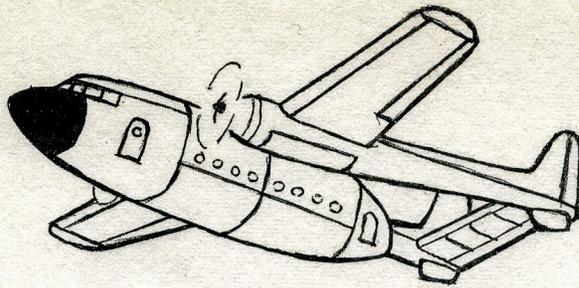
Gene Lookabill is favored to take his second straight summer camp golf championship this year. He heads a field of 55 golfers, in seven flights.

Lookabill, with a first round bye, faces stiff competition from Ken Loughlin who is matched against Maj. Charlie Hanes; Bob Foster, playing Wes Trotter; and Keith McDonald, playing Capt. Rush Wilson. Foster won in 1958, was runner-up to Sgt. Ray Fuller in 1959. Other flight winners from 1960 were Sgt. Fuller, who was transferred this month, Lt. Col. Waclawski, Lt. Col. Higgins, Sgt. Grice, Sgt. Pigg and Sgt. Solomon.

Winners in all flights are asked to post names and scores at the gym.

SOFTBALL

Headquarters opens defense of its NOANG title Tuesday, playing CAMRON "B" at 6:15, the runner-up last year. HQ. seeks its fourth straight crown, under Bob Greene's managership. Bill Rhyne manages CAMRON "B." Wednesday, ABRON "A" vs. Medics; Thursday, Supply vs. ABRON "B"; Friday, Dispensary vs. CAMRON "A"; August 10: championship.



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NO RECALL FOR NCANG



"HOT" DOG DAYS

COMPANY COMING

Whatever elbow room remains at Travis Field will vanish this weekend when several Air Guard neighbors descend.

The Maryland Guard arrives in full force with its SA-16 amphibious troop carriers, described, as one source put it, for "cloak and dagger" troop transport.

There will be small groups, too, from Missouri and Indiana Guards.

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The suspense ended Tuesday.

No North Carolina Air Guard unit was among 71 units alerted for possible active duty during the Berlin crisis.

Almost all the Reserve and Guard units notified as Congress passed the President's supplementary manpower authorization this week were tactical fighter and transport.

This development is in line with President Kennedy's speech of the week before, when he indicated that troop transport and tactical air groups would be sought first.

Meantime, NCANG officials learned from a high source in the Pentagon that the 71 units now on alert, barring a deterioration of the Berlin problem, will be the only units called. The source also said that no additional active duty field training is contemplated for NCANG at present.

It is more or less clear from mobilization developments that President Kennedy is determined that if war should come over Berlin the U. S. would seek to hold it, in the first phases, to a "limited" action, confined to Germany itself.

If so, airlift for ground troops and tactical command of the air over Germany would be essential to success.

Mailing Schedule

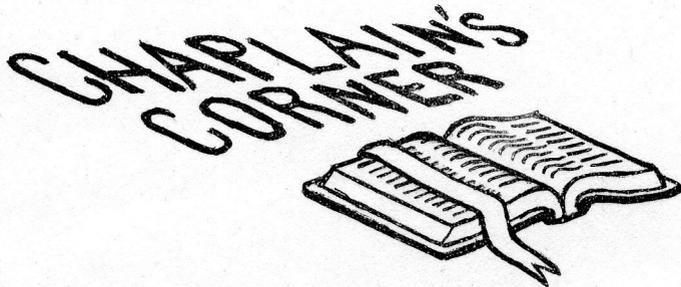
Mail pickups by units may be made twice daily during summer camp. Two trips to the Savannah post office will be made each day.

Outgoing mail should be delivered to the mail room in Building 510 by 0845 hours and by 1300 hours. Incoming mail for all units will be ready for pickup at 1100 and 1500 hours.

Stamps and post cards are available from A2C Bob Foster, mail room.

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SOFTBALL

CAMRON "B" scored two runs in the eighth inning to beat Headquarters 8-6 yesterday afternoon. The loss halted Headquarters' unbeaten string at three years and set the stage for a new softball champion this year.

Third basemen Julian's single with two runners on and two out made the difference in the extra inning game, which was continued from Wednesday. In the top of the eighth after one out, Norris and Clark both got hits. Cathey lined out to third, with the runners advancing when the double play attempt was muffed. This brought up Julian, who quickly sent Norris and Clark scurrying home.

Phil Wherry was the winning pitcher, being aided by a snappy double play as Headquarters started a rally in its half of the eighth.

Bob Greene went all the way for Headquarters.

In other action yesterday, Medics built up an early lead and withstood a 7-run rally in the last inning to beat supply, 14-12.

Garmon was the winning pitcher, Roberts the loser.

CAMRON "B" and Medics meet in the semifinals on Tuesday.

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A tourist to Europe and the Middle East will be confronted to the saturation point with shrines, mosques, synagogues, cathedrals and pagan temples. I stood in awe before such sights as: the overpowering beauty of the Vatican's Sistine Chapel, the structural immensity of Rome's St. Peter's basilica, the outlandish gargoyles that adorn Paris' Notre Dame, the richness of the oriental rugs that carpet Cairo's Mohammed Ali Mosque, the dark mystery of Jordanian Jerusalem's labyrinthine Church of the Holy Sepulchre, the heavy smell of incense in Mt. Sinai's 5th Century Church of the Transfiguration, the magnificent splendor of the ancient temples at Athens, Baal-bek, Jerash and Petra, the simple dignity of Israeli Jerusalem's 14 different language group synagogues, the stately grandeur of London's Westminster Abbey, or the historic pulpit of John Calvin's St. Peter's Church in Geneva.

Among the most impressive structures is the very modern church and cross at the Valley of the Fallen near Escorial, Spain. Inaugurated by Generalissimo Franco in 1959, this colossal undertaking marks the burial place of the dead of both sides of the Spanish Civil War. Hewn deep in the solid granite of a mountain side, its cross-shaped cathedral is 900 feet long and 100 feet high at the dome. It is the largest underground church in the world. Atop the

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AIRMAN'S CLUB

NCANG Airman's Club will elect officers for the coming year over T-bones at the Hunter NCO club Wednesday night.

Nominations were made this week at a club meeting at Travis.

Nominations include: For president, C. Summerville, M. A. Braswell and H. Springs; for vice president, Swede Frauson and H. Archer; for secretary, H. Wingate; for treasurer, Gary Cloninger; for three year terms as councilmen, Gary Lathan, J. C. Horton and R. Graham; for center board of governors, B. Shermer and M. A. Braswell.

Sgt. Ernest Caldwell of CAMRON is now airman club president.

--CHAPLAIN, Cont'--

mountain at an elevation of 5500 feet is a gigantic stone cross 450 feet high with each arm extending 150 feet. Three elevators rise to the heights of this cross. The base is adorned with granite statues of Matthew, Mark, Luke and John, each over 50 feet high. Above the evangelists are statues of the four virtues. Nearby is a Benedictine monastery dedicated to social studies.

In a materialistic and strife-torn world in which wealthy nations stockpile nuclear warheads, the poor country of Spain in a thought provoking and soul stirring manner has erected a spiritual monument to peace and faith that should give us pause.

--Chaplain S. D. Maloney

--COMPANY, Cont'--

The Missouri Guard is sending eight officers, 14 airmen and eight F-84F tactical fighter planes. Indiana will send 13 officers, 40 airmen and 12 F-84Fs. The two smaller units will be flying in "Operation Swiftstrike," maneuvers due to open this weekend in the Piedmont Carolinas which will bring two airborne divisions and 650 Guard, Reserve and Air Force aircraft into mock warfare.

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STATE OFFICERS, PRESS VISIT TRAVIS

We had some distinguished visitors Thursday, and more are coming.

Maj. Gen. Claude T. Bowers, N. C. Adjutant General, was honored by a retreat formation and a tour of Travis Field activities. He was accompanied by Col. Roy E. Thompson, Assistant Adjutant General, and Col. Thomas B. Longest, USP&FO for N. C.

Five Charlotte-area news media representatives were flown to Travis Field on the same aircraft and spent the day taking pictures and gathering material for hometown news releases.

They included Jim McAllister, staff writer, and L. C. Scarborough, staff photographer, The Kannapolis Daily Independent; David Nance, staff photographer, The Charlotte News; John Edgerton, staff photographer, WBT-WBTV; and Mike O'Hara, staff photographer, WSOC-WSOCTV.

Next Tuesday another group of N. C. press visitors will tour Travis, and Wednesday a group of doctors and hospital administrators will come.

--RECREATION, Cont'--

GOLF

Eleven golf matches had been played through Thursday with the remainder of first-round action to be completed today. The tempo will pick up over the weekend and next week as championship matches in the flights draw near.

Results to date:

Championship flight --no matches played.

Second flight -- Higgins over Riggsbee;

Ellington over Helton; Alexakos over Werner.

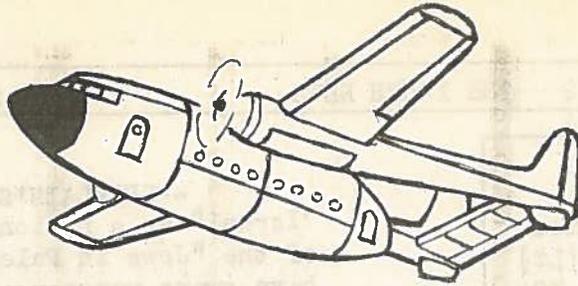
Third flight -- Fox over Cardwell; Nantz over Joyner.

Fourth flight -- Bolin over Everhart (forfeit).

Fifth flight -- Wingate over Lackey (forfeit).

Sixth flight -- Hamilton over Broderson.

Seventh flight -- Belk over Killmon; Solomon over Watts (f); Dilworth over Stephenson.



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31 STUDY AT HUNTER

RESERVE YOUR T-BONES

Members of the Airmen's Club who plan to attend the T-Bone steak dinner Wednesday night at the Hunter NCO club are urged to give their names to one of the present club officers so that reservations can be made.

Reservations should be in today.

Officers for the coming year will be elected at the meeting.

Press Descends Again

NCANG information officers play host again today to a group of visiting press representatives.

Observing field training operations will be radio reporters Pete Toomey of WGIV, Charlotte; Buck Mills of WHIP, Mooresville; and Ebb Gantt of WCGS, Belmont.

RECREATION

MOVIES

(1900 hrs. each evening, base gym)

Tuesday, Aug. 8: "Man On A String," Ernest Borgnine.

Wednesday, Aug. 9: "It Happened To Jane," Doris Day, Jack Lemmon.

Thursday, Aug. 10: "Rawhide," Susan Hayward.

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Thirty-one officers and airmen from NCANG are receiving special training in classes at Hunter Air Force Base during field training.

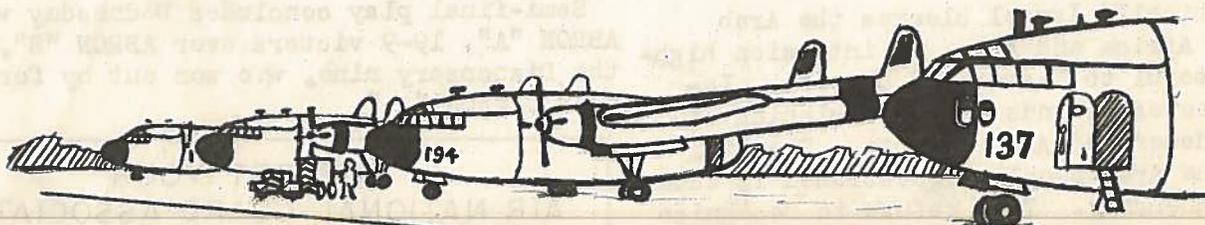
Air Training Command has scheduled two classes for instruction in the OJT Administrator-Supervisor Course. The course is designed to provide training for personnel who administer or supervise OJT programs.

One class concluded August 4. The other class concludes August 11.

Enrolled in last week's session were:

Maj. Jacob O. Thorpe, A1C Frank Wall Jr., 2LT Fred R. Sheheen, TSGT James H. Nash, MSGT Paul E. Peeler, TSGT Joe D. Friday, TSGT Stephen L. Parton, SSGT John H. Barger, SSGT Mark D. Dutton, SMSGT Howard W. Featherston, MSGT Philip Ellis, MSGT George M. Redwine, SSGT Charles R. Hager, SSGT Emory B. Warner, A1C Larry W. Woodrow and SSGT Melvin V. Lee.

Attending this week: SSGT Daniel H. Rumble, CMSGT George L. Byrum, SMSGT George R. Auten, TSGT Allen E. Massey, MSGT Marion A. Braswell, TSGT Clifford L. Huneycutt, TSGT James L. Robinson, SSGT Roy L. Harris Jr., SMSGT Charles C. Bivins, SMSGT William T. Caldwell, MSGT Arlen O. Annas, MSGT William Braswell, MSGT Richard E. Graham, TSGT Donald L. Creason, and SSGT Richard L. Killmon.



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Of paramount significance for the world today is the Arab-Israeli tension. Created as a state by the United Nations in 1948, Israel this year celebrates its Bar Mitzvah. It has come of age in a most precocious way. Traveling from the Arab countries into Israel is like stepping from the ancient, oriental past into the contemporary, western present.

The train from Jerusalem to Tel Aviv emerges from rocky Judaeon mountains into verdant hills and lush coastal plains. Wealthy kibbutzim (collective villages) preside over sleek Holstein dairy herds, newly planted orange groves, vast fields of yellow grain, acres of sunflowers, and an ever-increasing amount of cotton. Approaching Tel Aviv farmland gives way to industry; sprinkler irrigation systems are replaced by smoke stacks and power lines. The whole country is heavy with the promise of economic independence. Israel blossoms with all that dedicated energy, national pride and contributed money can produce.

Geographically Israel cleaves the Arab worlds of Africa and Asia, an intrusion highly distasteful to Nasser and company. Israel, moreover, stands as a flourishing oasis in a desert of Arab poverty. The attitude of the Arab people I questioned is adamant and unbending. They refuse to recognize

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--CHAPLAIN'S CORNER, Cont'--

"Israel" as a nation. They prefer to speak of the "Jews in Palestine." The Arabs have sworn vengeance against the Zionists because: (1) They regard the violent possession of the land by the Jews as robbery to be righted and punished; (2) They claim prior right to the land based not only on a thousand years of occupancy but on a settlement that predates the Hebrew conquest of the Old Testament; (3) They are afraid of Israeli expansion into even more Arab territory -- even though only 40 per cent of Israel is currently inhabited; (4) They accuse Israel of not living up to the U. N. Charter.

In my judgment no just solution can be achieved. Men and nations are once again confronted with the necessity of negotiation, compromise, and an allegiance to all mankind that supercedes devotion to nation or race. Only by such can widespread destruction be averted.

--Chaplain S. D. McNeely

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RECREATION, Cont'd

GOLF

In second round play over the week-end the following results were posted:

Second Flight: Higgins over Ellington.

Third Flight: Fox over Jack (f); Nantz over Auten (f).

Fourth Flight: Grice over Passons.

Sixth Flight: Robinson over Pigg (f)

Seventh Flight: Williams over Solomon.

No second round championship matches are posted.

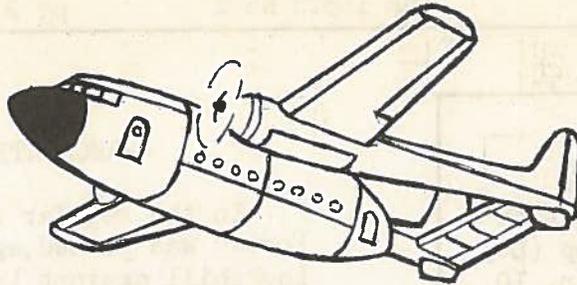
* (f) denotes forfeit

SOFTBALL

Semi-final softball tournament play opens this afternoon when CAMRON "B" meets the Medics. CAMRON "B" moved to the semi-finals with an 8-6 victory over Headquarters. The Medics advance by way of their 14-12 win over Supply.

Semi-final play concludes Wednesday when ABRON "A", 19-9 victors over ABRON "B", meet the Dispensary nine, who won out by forfeit over CAMRON "A."

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DOCTORS VISIT

Eight visitors prominent in Charlotte medicine toured 145th Aeromedical field training Wednesday.

Guard officials reported the doctors and hospital administrators most responsive to NCANG's progress toward its new medical evacuation mission.

After a briefing at headquarters, the medical men lunched at the mess hall, toured the flight line and the base, watched a fire fighting demonstration and small arms practice, toured Hunter Club, dined at the Hunter Officers Club and was flown back to Charlotte.

Visitors included Dr. Ralph V. Kidd Jr., secretary of the Mecklenburg County Medical Assn.; Dr. Maurice Kamp, City-County health officer; Dr. Barry G. Miller, chief of the Memorial Hospital dental staff; Dr. Richard J. Cooley, vice chief of the Memorial Hospital dental staff; Dr. Earl Spaug, Dr. J. Kingsley MacDonald, Dr. Alfred R. Berkeley Jr., and Mr. J. Aubrey Crisman, chairman of the board, Presbyterian Hospital, Charlotte.

RECREATION

GOLF

A2C Gene Lookabill won his second straight summer camp golf tournament Wednesday afternoon in a four-way, winner-take-all match. A2C Bob Foster was runner-up.

The championship was decided by a 15 hole match between the four semifinalists--Lookabill, Nick Loughlin, Keith MacDonald and Foster.

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HERE'S SCHEDULE FOR RETURN TRIP

It'll all be over Saturday.

The departure schedule for our return to Charlotte calls for most of us to be on the road back by 0800 hours. Our military convoy will leave about 0600, squadrons will conduct roll call at 0645, and private vehicles will be dismissed on a staggered schedule between 0700 and 0800 to spread out highway congestion.

Our aircraft will depart between 0730 and 0830.

Each squadron will set up its orderly room upon arrival at Charlotte. Personnel must sign in and then receive their pay checks for field training.

Personnel will be paid and dismissed by squadron commanders after all unloading and other details are completed.

Breakfast Saturday at Travis Field will be served from 0530 to 0630.

The maintenance rear guard element will leave after all aircraft are off the ground, and the base rear detachment will leave as directed.

Next drill dates: 26-27 August.

Airmen's Club

Sgt. Harry Springs was elected new president of the NCANG Airmen's Club Wednesday night at a dinner meeting at Hunter AFB NCO Club.

Seventy club members ate T-bones and concluded the political affairs of the club for another year.

In addition to Springs, new officers include: "Swede" Frauson, vice president; Gary Cloninger, treasurer; Harry Wingate, secretary; "Ace" Graham, 3-yr. councilman; Andy Braswell, recreation center board of governors.

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CHAPLAIN'S
CORNER



My primary mission in Europe and the Middle East this summer was to visit and photograph the ruins of the ancient world. This process began in Rome where 1st Century walls, aqueducts and structures are liberally sprinkled through town and country. Grander even than the Colosseum and Forum in Rome is the Temple of Athena (Parthenon) that crowns the Acropolis in Athens. I found the diggings of the Greek Archeological Society at the Temple of Zeus site, however, less of a tourist attraction and more in keeping with my purpose.

In Egypt I focused upon that ageless country's oldest capital, Memphis, with its alabaster sphynx and 48 ft.-long horizontal statue of the pharaoh of the Hebrew exodus, Ramesses II. Nearby are the 3000 BC Step Pyramids. Largest of the pyramids is the tomb of Kheops at Giza. Deep in the ground on the Sahara at Sakkara are the subway-like tombs of the sacred Apus Bulls, a religious cult that inspired the Israelites to make the golden calf at Mt. Sinai.

Innumerable sites pertaining to the Bible are throughout Jordan and all Israel -- Hebron, Jericho, Meggido, King Solomon's mines, etc. Most recent are the current digs of Miss Kathleen Kenyon on Mt. Ophel just outside the wall of old Jerusalem. When I left in July she had penetrated below surface debris, through Arab fill, beyond crusader ruins, beneath mosaic floors of the Byzantine period, past Roman houses and had reached the strata and tombs of the Hellenistic period. She is

--RECREATION, Cont'--

In the regular semifinal pairings, Foster was pitted against MacDonald and Lookabill against Loughlin. After 15 holes, Foster had beaten MacDonald, one-up and Lookabill had edged Loughlin by the same margin.

Lookabill's margin of victory over Foster for the championship was two and one.

NANTZ WINS

The only other championship to be decided by this time is in the third flight. Major Ken Nantz beat SGT Fox for the title.

Other posted results follow:

First flight--Major Hanes vs. Captain Wilson for championship.

Second flight--Col. Higgins vs. Alexakos for championship.

Fourth flight--Grice vs. winner of Bolin vs. Sowers for championship.

Fifth flight--Winner of Bridges vs. Wingate vs. winner of Navey vs. Durant.

Sixth flight--Robinson vs. Hamilton for championship.

Seventh flight--Belk vs. Williams for championship.

SOFTBALL

The 1961 softball championship will be decided this afternoon as Dispensary tackles CAMRON "B," with CAMRON favored to win.

CAMRON "B" advanced to the finals by beating Medics. Dispensary gained the finals with a victory over ABRON "A."

ALL-STAR GAME SCHEDULED

It will be the NC ANG All-Stars against the Md ANG All-Stars Friday afternoon. A2C Frauson is handling arrangements for the game and will announce the NC stars tomorrow.

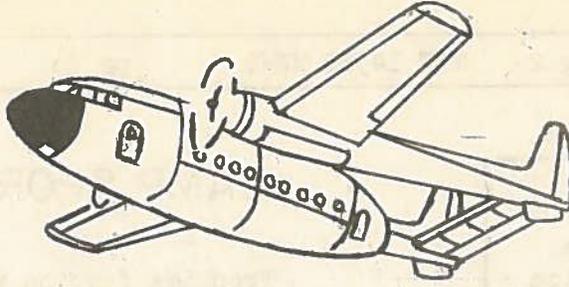
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--CHAPLAIN'S, Cont'--

in search of the wall of Jebus, the city David conquered in 1000 BC to establish Jerusalem. In such an humble manner the geography and history of the Bible is verified and made alive. Would that widespread, earnest endeavor would seek to verify and make alive the spiritual message of Scripture.

--Chaplain S. D. Maloney

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DISASTER PLAN READY

FEDERAL INSPECTION

Annual Federal inspection is coming up next month.

A MATS inspection team will conduct the inspection during the Sept. 23-24 drill. NCANG spokesmen said that it will be an administrative inspection and will include a group formation and personal inspection.

There will not be an operational readiness inspection, according to advance word, because the 145th is still transitioning into our aeromedical evacuation mission.

No drill hour change will be necessary. Previously, when the NCANG operated fighters under the ADC, Federal inspection required drill hour changes to coordinate our ORI with other ADC agencies.

BIG JUMP

Captain James H. Nash made the big jump yesterday.

A tech sergeant and education specialist, he received a direct appointment as Captain and was named group education and training officer.

Captain Nash in civilian life is principal of the Woodrow Wilson Elementary School in Kannapolis. He is a graduate of Catawba College and won his master's degree in public school administration at NC.

He has 13 years active and reserve service.

The M. C. Air Guard has adopted a disaster control plan for use in case of enemy attack or natural disaster.

It assumes that Charlotte probably would not be a target for nuclear attack but would have to cope with radioactive fallout from nuclear attacks on the Oak Ridge, Tenn., atomic facility, considered a prime target. It also lists the possibility of enemy sabotage here.

The plan, of necessity, provides for two possibilities: that the disaster occurs during a non-drill period when only air technicians are on duty, or that it comes during a drill period.

It provides for setting up primary and secondary command posts on base, organizing disaster control teams, decontamination priorities if necessary and other steps to minimize damage and place the base back in operation as fast as possible.

In the event of actual enemy attack, Guardsmen who are not at the base are instructed to remain at home until they are notified to report for duty by direct contact or by a public media such as CONELRAD. This is to prevent possible exposure to radioactivity or other hazards while en route to the base.

Guard officials stressed that adoption of the control plan is not a "scare" move, but is a normal preparedness procedure. Work is under way on two other guides: a group mobilization plan and a group mobility plan.

The mobilization plan would spell out how the NCANG would be summoned to duty if necessary, and the mobility plan would tell how we would move as a unit to another base if required to do so.

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Those who saw Dean Rusk, Secretary of State, on Meet the Press this past week may have been impressed, as I was, that the current tension in Berlin is fundamentally a matter of belief. Our involvement is not primarily the defense of the geography of West Berlin; as Sec. Rusk said, war would certainly not be in their best interest. Nor is our action designed to enforce compliance with the post WW II partition treaty. Rather, our intense interest -- and one that has prompted the activation of 76,000 reservists and guardsmen -- is that men should have the freedom to determine their own destinies. Our conflict with the communistic states is a conflict of ideas.

We are called upon in these days to reassess our basic belief; we must ask ourselves what we believe is worth living for and worth dying for. Like it or not we are forced back upon theology. The crisis of our day demands that we ask and answer the fundamental questions of life. The tragedy of our time is that all too few know what they believe and that far too many give lip service to beliefs that are not genuinely their own. Neither of these will see us through the recurrent crises that are bound to come. Now is the time for rededication to the very grounds of our existence

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CAMP SPORTS WRAP-UP

Trophies for the various flight winners in the summer camp golf tournament will be awarded during the September training assembly. A complete list of winners follows: Championship: A2C Gene Lookabill, ABRON, winner, and A2C Bob Foster, HQ, runner-up; First Flight: Capt. Rush Wilson, ABRON; Second Flight: Col. Robert Higgins, ABRON; Third Flight: Maj. Ken Nantz, HQ; Fourth Flight: Sgt. Floyd Grice, 156th TRNSP; Fifth Flight: Sgt. Harry Wingate, CAMRON; Sixth Flight: Sgt. Robert Hamilton, CAMRON; Seventh Flight: A1C Carl Williams, CAMRON.

SOFTBALL

CAMRON "B" took the softball championship by smashing dispensary in the finals by 13-1. Bill Ryan managed the winners.

In a special attraction on Friday afternoon, Aug. 11, NCANG All-Stars emerged victorious over the Maryland ANG, 6-4. Bob Greene pitched all the way for NCANG.

BOWLING

Teams have started forming for fall sessions of the Military Bowling League. Action starts Sept. 6.

Persons wishing to form a team to enter in this league or to join a team are asked to get in touch with Major Nash in Operations. NCANG was represented by several teams during the spring.

Coliseum Lanes is the site for league activity.

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER - Cont'd
As individuals and as a nation we are called upon to reaffirm faith in God as a God of redemptive love who has bestowed upon all men inestimable worth and granted them freedom and responsibility in this world of His creation.

—Chaplain S. D. Maloney

DRILL TEAM ?

A meeting will be held today at 1330 hours to determine plans for the formation of a North Carolina Air National Guard drill team.

Questionnaires were distributed at the morning formation requesting all persons who were interested in a drill team to be present at the meeting and bring the questionnaires along. The meeting is set for the group formation area in front of the hanger.

An initial random survey was conducted recently and out of 200 persons quizzed, 60 said they were interested in a drill team.

So far there is no certain person in charge of the drill team drive. If enough interest is shown at the meeting today, an organization will be worked out and leaders possibly will be selected.

HELP WANTED

Transition to NCANG's new primary mission--aeromedical transport--suffers still, for lack of nurses, air and medical technicians.

There is almost unlimited opening in these fields for qualified personnel.

Guard members who are interested in being trained as medical specialists, with flying status, should familiarize themselves with the rewards, in trained skills and pay, available.

Guard personnel should spare no opportunity to publicize the new Guard openings for qualified nurses.

Check Uniforms

Fall's coming up, and it's time to check those blues.

Air Guardsmen who need to exchange or secure replacement uniform items are urged to notify Supply by the September drill and avoid the last-minute rush.

Blues will be optional for the October drill and mandatory in November.

Pilot Training

Anyone interested in pilot training with the basic requirements should contact Captain Bundy anytime during the week or drill weekends.

The requirements for a direct commission for flight training are: college graduate, 19½-26½ years of age, member of the Air National Guard, pass appropriate physical and mental tests and a desire to fly.

For OCS with entry upon completion into pilot training, the requirement is a high school diploma.

Those selected for training will receive training at various AF bases in jet trainers and return to Charlotte upon completion. The training lasts about 14 months with the pay about \$580 a month for Second Lieutenants.

The aviation cadet program is no longer available.

FREE SUPPER

There will be a free steak supper--stag party style--at the Airmens Club for all members who have their annual dues for the coming year paid by August 31. The party is scheduled for Tuesday night, the 29th.

Airmens Club dues become due on September 1.

LIST YOUR CAR

Registered your car yet?

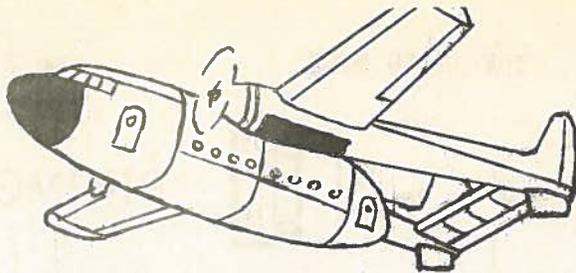
If you park on base, you must register your car with the Air Police.

Give'em your car make and model and license number.

Time To Pay

Major Nash, Vice President of the Officers Club, has issued a call concerning annual club dues.

According to Major Nash, many members are behind in their dues and should get this item cleared up immediately.



INSPECTORS HERE

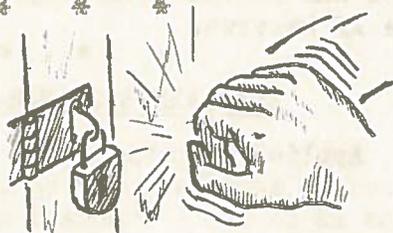
The annual Federal inspection has been in full swing throughout the base this week. An inspection team from HQ, Western Transport Air Force, Travis AFB, Calif., started the annual inspection tour this past Wednesday. The wrap-up comes today.

Colonel Jesse R. Foley, Jr. is Inspector General and Major Richard B. Heckler is acting as Team Chief for the inspection.

The others on the team are: Lt. Commander Robert B. Strickland, Operations and Training; CWO Herman P. Gatlin, Supply; MSgt Alfred Fernandez, Maintenance; MSgt Edward Zehringer, Personnel; Major Franklin T. Johnson, Safety; Captain William A. Oes, Jr., Medical; and TSgt Ray C. Bass, Medical.

The administrative inspection included a group formation and personal inspection this morning and personal conference periods yesterday. A critique will be held at 1530 hours this afternoon.

SECURITY TIGHTENED



A new security plan is now in effect, giving the base thorough protection during night hours.

The two main gates entering the base--
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MOBILIZATION PLAN READY.....IN CASE

If mobilization comes for the N. C. Air Guard, it won't catch us with our flaps down.

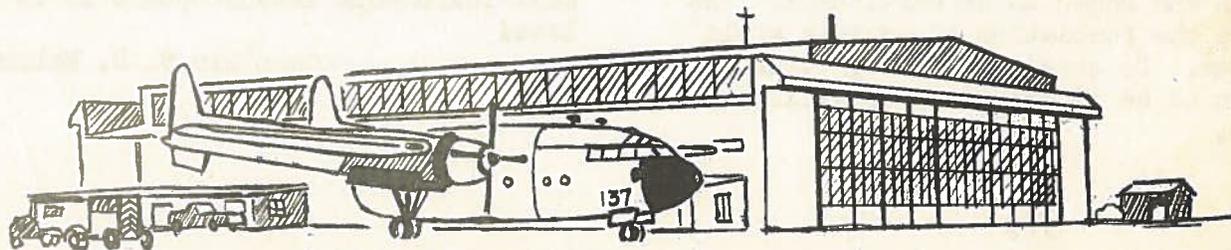
A mobilization plan has been worked out as a preparedness measure in case Uncle Sam sounds the call to arms. In some ways it parallels the NCANG disaster control plan completed last month, but naturally is based on a different set of conditions and procedures.

Under the mobilization plan, all Charlotte units of the 145th AMTG will be alerted simultaneously. Units will be placed in an alert status prior to actual call to active duty because our primary mission is tactical support rather than air defense.

We will come under the jurisdiction of the 1st AMTG, Western Transport Air Force, and HQ MATS.

After recall, Charlotte units will be based at Douglas Municipal Airport for an indefinite period, according to present MATS planning. Logistical and finance support will be provided by nearby AF bases and control tower facilities will be operated by the FAA. The AF will provide weather support.

Discharges will be suspended effective on the date of mobilization except those for adequate cause. Individuals will be given a current medical exam before being
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PROMOTIONS



Two promotions and two appointments are announced for the NCANG.

John P. Dillon is promoted to Major and Thomas H. Satterwhite is promoted to Captain. Appointed to Captain is Lewis W. Bausom. Bruce A. Bowers is appointed 1st Lieutenant.

Major Dillon serves as Information Officer of HQ, NCANG. He is employed as promotion manager at WBTW. A native of Asheville, he holds a degree from Wake Forest College. He served as gunner on a B-47 during World War II and has been associated with the Guard since 1953.

Captain Satterwhite joined the Guard in 1959 and is assigned to the 156th AMTS. He served in the Air Force from 1954-1957. A native of Cleveland, N. C., he and his family now live in Gains Grove. He is a graduate of N. C. State.

Captain Bausom is a former Captain in the AF Reserve. He is now serving with the 156th AMTS. A native of Union County, he and his family live in Charlotte. He served in the Air Force from 1943-1945.

Lieutenant Bowers is a former 1st Lt. in the AF Reserve. He is a native of Orange N. J. and now resides with his family in Charlotte. Lt. Bowers joined the NCANG in 1952 and served until 1957 when he joined the AF Reserve.

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CHAPLAIN'S CORNER--Cont'd

Applied to nations, to engage in unprovoked aggression or to use nuclear weapons is to set a standard applicable to all nations. In such actions there is no acceptable future for mankind.

All this is but an elaboration and an extension of Jesus' Golden Rule: "Whatever you wish that men would do to you (or to anyone, for that matter), do so to them." We must learn this lesson before it is too late!

--Chaplain S. D. Maloney

CHAPLAIN'S
CORNER

How can one know with certainty what is right? This is the great ethical question that confronts each of us every day. While no simple answer suffices, one dependable guide to right conduct I have found helpful is the ancient maxim embodied in the ethic of Immanuel Kant, "So act that you can will the principle of your act to be universal law."

In simple terms this means to conduct yourself in such a way that if everyone else everywhere were to act in the same way, all would be well with the world--or, to do nothing you would not be willing for all other people to do. Such a test is searching and often it reveals the shallow and indefensible nature of our actions.

To cheat in school or in our work, then, implies a willingness that all students and employees cheat so that no honest person could be left. Our educational and industrial systems would be critically undermined. To be unfaithful to one's wife acknowledges a readiness for your wife and all men and women to be unfaithful. The same as the foundation of society would collapse. To steal, likewise, opens the way for you to be stolen from; to kill...to be killed.

MOBILIZATION-Cont'd

ordered to extended active duty, where possible. If this is not possible, the medical exam will be given as soon as possible after active duty starts.

Since base housing facilities are inadequate for the entire group, additional quarters will be secured under AF authority.

Present dining hall facilities will be utilized, and commercial contract laundry service will be provided in case use of military laundry facilities is not available.

Steps will be taken to set up a Bass Exchange here to serve the NCANG.

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SECURITY-Cont'd

at the gate adjoining the Fuel Dump and the main gate entrance to the hanger area--will be locked at 1800 hours daily and unlocked the following morning at 0700 hours. Unless on official business, a person will not be allowed inside the secured area.

Lighted signs at the gates give instructions about what to do for admittance. Buzzers are available to summon the guard, who is in contact with the areas through a two-way speaker hook-up.

Club members will have to use the back gravel road because of the new regulation. Transient barracks users will use the Fuel Dump gate.

The security guard will check nine positions around the base each hour. Previously the airplane area on the back ramp was the primary security concern.

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KEYS-KEYS

Sgt Shermer has a large assortment of keys he would like to see returned to the lawful owners. All kinds of keys--big ones, little ones, car and house and others of questionable origin--have been turned in to him in the O & T Building. Drop in and see his collection if interested.

HERE'S WRAP-UP OF
FIELD TRAINING

According to final statistical charts on 1961 Field Training, 96 per cent of the 145th AMTG officers and airmen were in attendance at Travis Field, Savannah.

Other facts are:

Aircraft hours logged were 242 hours, 20 minutes, or an average of 30 hours and 18 minutes per day. The average per day for the eight airplanes was 2 hours, one minute.

Total pilot training hours amounted to 686 hours, 45 minutes, or an average of 17 hours, 37 minutes per pilot. The high day was August 10, with 103 training hours logged. The average daily training per pilot was one hour, 10 minutes.

The in-commission rate for the G-119's was 62.5 per cent.

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Uniforms will be optional, either 505's or blues, for the October 21-22 drill. Blues are mandatory starting in November. Don't forget that all service ribbons MUST be worn with the service coat, according to an AF directive last spring.

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YOU JOINED YET ?

Officers and airmen who wish to join the North Carolina National Guard Association and take advantage of the low-cost life insurance have the opportunity to sign up during the October drill.

Quarterly premiums are due then also. Checks should be made out to NCNG Assn.

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CLUB NEWS

Members of the Airmens Club who are interested in obtaining the club for private parties may contact Sgt Wingate or A2C Frauson for full information.

Dues (\$10.00) are now payable.

ARTICLE WARNS OF SOVIET CIVIL DEFENSE

Russia's mysterious civil defense effort, called DOSAAF, or "Volunteer Society for Assistance to Army Air Force and Navy," is the subject of an article by Henry Jordan in the August Pageant magazine.

Drawing on several sources — "secret Soviet training manuals, military periodicals, interviews with escapees" — Mr. Jordan reports the following:

As long ago as 1955, when he first began to emerge as the Kremlin's power, Nikita Khrushchev abandoned the fatalist view that survival in nuclear warfare is impossible for the vast majority of Russians and ordered an all-out program to prepare the Soviet Union for possible nuclear war.

Using the resources of a dictatorial state to compel Russians to do the government's bidding Khrushchev instituted the DOSAAF program. There were and are: training courses in post-nuclear first aid, including information about decontamination; how to make the most of the materials at hand for survival in case of nuclear blast or fall out ("A ditch is man's best friend still," is one of its lessons; the use of materials to shield the skin from radioactivity; decontamination for clothes, food, water, buildings, cities and open countryside; the interval between a nuclear explosion and the beginning of fall-out, when it is safe to prepare for radioactivity, tend the wounded and lay in supplies.

First stage of the training program, Jordan writes, consisted of the "theory." Then there were drills in the second phase. Those who did well received badges signifying they had been trained. Those who did poorly had to repeat the courses.

How many Russians have completed the DOSAAF courses? "As our intelligence men know only too well," Mr. Jordan writes, "all Soviet citizens from 16 to 60 — upwards of 135 million people — have six years of the stiffest civil defense drill behind them. With only the bedridden and insane excepted, they were required to attend classes..."

Though the Russians, according to Mr. Jordan, have attempted to conceal the program

(it was, until 1958, administered by the Soviet secret police) Khrushchev himself violated "the secrecy rule a few years ago. Then he boasted to a German newsman... 'After I took over I brought up the cadres of permanent civil defense workers to 22 million, most of them demobilized army personnel.'"

The civil defense program also has extended to the possibility of chemical or biological warfare.

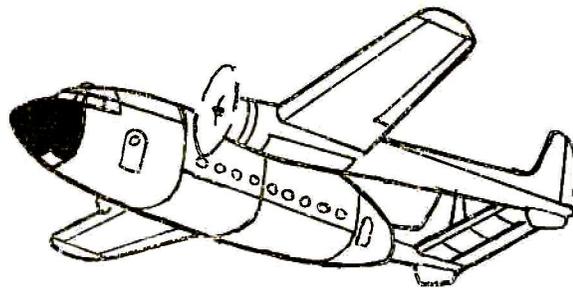
What is the shelter situation? According to Mr. Jordan: "...An entire government city has been under construction for some years seven miles from Moscow... This emergency Kremlin is buried 1300 feet below ground level. It is designed to take a direct hit by a 20-megaton hydrogen bomb... Stores of food, fuel and oxygen will be large enough to last through a two-year siege... Thousands of smaller shelters are now being readied throughout the country... There are also the deep subway of Moscow, Kiev and Leningrad... And a law passed in the 1950s made it mandatory to equip every new building, small family dwellings included, with bomb shelters of steel-reinforced concrete."

Added to this are city evacuation plans, and trainees in the civil defense in 1956 "to lumber up... were taken, regardless of health, on 20-mile marches, so-called 'exercises in emergency evacuation.'"

The point Mr. Jordan makes over and over again is that the Russians have brought themselves to face fully not only the possibility of nuclear war but the possibility of surviving it by preparing for it. Soviet military leaders now estimate that the Russians, who lost an estimated 20 to 30 million in World War II, are well enough to survive a thermonuclear war with but 2,000,000 dead — a "bargain," one spokesman said.

Whether their optimism about nuclear war is justified or not, they are doing something about surviving.

Are Americans doing the same?



AIR GUARD NURSES WIN WINGS

GEN. BOWERS VISITS

"Well pleased!"

That pretty well sums up the reaction of North Carolina's new Adjutant General after completing his first official visit to the NCANG base.

Major General Claude T. Bowers spent two days with the unit during the September drill weekend.

The Adjutant General was given extensive tours and briefings on the facilities and activities of NCANG. He was favorably impressed while observing the inspection of troops in ranks



GEN. BOWERS

on Sunday morning and expressed pleasure at the "excellent attendance" (actually, a normal-size audience) at church services.

General Payne served as host to General Bowers during an informal reception at the Officer's Club during the regular Saturday evening "covered dish" supper.

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CALLED TO COLORS

Our neighbors in the trade, the S. C. and Tennessee Air National Guard, have been ordered to active duty effective 1 Nov.

The Palmetto Guardsmen, based at Congaree Air Base at Eastover, fly F-104 Lockheed Starfighter jets. Reporting with the 157th Fighter Interceptor Squadron will

(See ACTIVATION, page four)

Sporting shiny new flight nurse wings, two N. C. Air Guard flight nurses told what it was like at Flight Nurses' School they just finished at Brooks Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas.

First Lt. Ann E. Graham and 2nd Lt. Margaret K. Holler, who arrived home last weekend, won their wings and diplomas from the six-week school after completing preliminary three-week basic orientation course at Gunter AFB, Selma, Ala.

How did it compare to regular nurses' training?

"Much more advanced," they agreed. "We'll be the doctors for planeloads of patients, and we had to learn to make diagnoses, perform tracheotomies and other things that we'd never do in routine nursing duty."

In class they had hefty doses of such specialties as surgical nursing, psychiatric nursing, meteorology, in-flight procedures and survival in case of forced landing.

It wasn't all classwork, however. There were five flights which simulated aero-medical transport missions, with the 37 would-be flight nurses in the class taking turns being "patients" with a variety of pseudo ailments.

Two transport types were used for these training flights--the Convair C-131E and the Douglas C-54. Nurse trainees were observed and graded by instructors on their mission performance.

Heavy stress was laid on burn treatment, including a tour of Brooks Army Burn Center nearby.

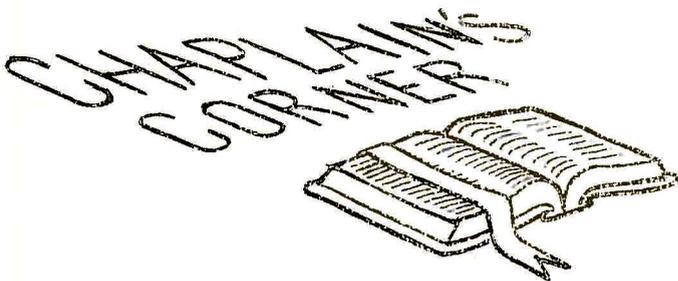
"Most days we went to class from 8:15 a.m. until 4:45 p.m.," Lt. Holler explained.

"There were seven written exams plus instructor ratings. We had to study at night from the Flight Nurses' Manual and other books they issued us. We had to average 78

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Many people dream of a world without war, a world without war apparatus, and particularly a world without nuclear armament. In such a world the power struggle would continue, but it would take place in the marketplace and in the realm of ideas and ideals. The unavoidable question for the western democracies (which incidentally though not essentially are Christian countries) would be our ability and willingness to compete in the matter of beliefs.

More than ever we in America would be pressed to know what we believe and to proclaim in the world of men and nations our fundamental convictions. Are we ready to meet the challenge? With no recourse to military force, victory would go to those who proclaim their truths with enthusiasm and dedication. In a world without war the Church would indeed have to be the Church, a community of witnessing believers. American skepticism and indifference would have to give way to vigorous affirmation of those principles our founding fathers held dear. Our goals must change from the superficial pursuit of material goods to the living out in life of spiritual truths.

Even to ponder the question of our readiness to compete with communism in the arena of fundamental beliefs is in itself a serious incrimination and a somber warning.

--Chaplain S. D. Maloney

LONG STARTS DUTY

Lt. Col. Lloyd L. Long started his tour of duty last month as new AF Senior Air Adviser to the NCANG, replacing Lt. Col. Walter Waslawski.

Col. Long came here from Pope AFB, where he had served since last fall as Assistant Director of Operations for the 464th Troop Carrier Wing. Previously he had commanded the 778th Troop Carrier Sqdn.

A native of Newkirk, Okla., Col. Long has more than 20 years service, including service in the European theater in World War II and in Alaska from 1954-56.

His arrival completed our AF Adviser staff. Maj. Clyde Hansen is medical administrative adviser, and Maj. Mary C. O'Fall is flight nurse adviser.

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"SUPPLY DISCIPLINE"

Most of us have the idea that "Supply discipline doesn't apply to me. I'm not in supply." What a false idea!

All of us are involved in supply. We are responsible for the tools and equipment with which we work, be it pencil or aircraft. Equipment responsibility applies to all material, utilities or other supplies which we use daily.

That ream of paper or those lights we failed to turn off may cost only a few cents, but when we start adding up the number of such incidents, the total cost is staggering.

Supply discipline is only a system of common sense and management designed to save dollars. Since any system is only as effective as the effort contributed by the people involved, it is our responsibility to exercise supply discipline.

Good financial management is a secret of big business and certainly we consider the Air Force as big business. Each of us has an interest in this big business. We should remember that each is a taxpayer, and the money we save is our own.

Make supply discipline a must!

NURSE JOINS ANG

Mrs. Eva D. Grant has been appointed a First Lieutenant in the 156th AMTS.

She is the fifth nurse to join the NC ANG and is assigned duty as a Flight Nurse.

Lt. Grant lives in Charlotte and is a Staff Nurse with the Red Cross. She has had over seven years of nursing experience.

She will attend the Basic Orientation Course at Gunter Air Force Base, Ala., in the near future.



LT. GRANT

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OPEN HOUSE

The N. C. Air Guard, busily converting its mission as an aeromedical transport unit, will hold an Open House next month for nearly 1,000 Charlotte-area nurses, doctors, hospital administrators and medical officials.

Scheduled during the Nov. drill, the Open House will come Sunday afternoon, 19 Nov. Guests will be given a briefing on the Tar Heel Air Guard's mercy mission, will tour the base and will be honored at a reception at the Club.

It will be the first medical Open House held by the NCANG since its conversion from fighter operation last spring.

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NURSES, Cont'd
or better to pass."

It wasn't all work, though--far from it. Off-duty hours found them at swimming pools, golf courses or motoring down to Mexico 150 miles away. They lived on base in nurses' quarters. Most of the 37 classmates were regular Air Force types. Fourteen were ANG nurses and five were AF Reservists.

"The training will help us in our civilian nursing careers," both nurses said. "We learned to cope with medical situations that we had never been exposed to."

What advice would you pass along to nurses planning to attend the school?

"Take a car so you'll have transportation while you're there, and go with a friend if you can. Get ready to hit the books--and it may be hard if you've been out of school long. But instructors and classroom equipment are excellent."

Nurse Graham is a general duty nurse at Memorial Hospital in Charlotte. Nurse Hollers is a nurse supervisor at Charlotte Rehabilitation Hospital. It'll be back to work for them this week, but they did all right financially during their leaves of absence. Nurse Graham, for instance, grossed \$1,005 for her nine-week stint.

GEN. PAYNE LEADS DRIVE FOR NURSES

The top-ranking N. C. Air Guardsman has taken personal charge of the drive to procure flight nurses for the Guard's aeromedical transport planes.

Brig. Gen. William J. Payne, Assistant Adjutant General (Air), has visited Charlotte's Memorial and Presbyterian Hospitals to invite qualified nurses to try for their wings and fly with the Air Guard.

Also playing key roles in the flight nurse campaign are Maj. Mary C. O'Neill, Flight Nurse Supervisor, and Capt. William T. Bundy, Jr., Information Officer.

Wednesday, Gen. Payne, will address the N. C. Nurses' Association convention at Asheville, and will carry the flight nurse story to other hospitals in the central and western N. C. area.

In his talks with nurses, Gen. Payne pointed out that they can receive direct appointments as officers through the grade of captain, depending on qualifications. They will have the opportunity of attending flight nurses' school at Brooks AFB, Tex., and will receive officers' pay plus flight pay for their one weekend a month training assembly.

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Blues Time

Blue uniforms will be mandatory starting in November.

Drill dates for the rest of 1961 are 18-19 Nov. and 9-10 Dec.

Drill dates for 1962 are: 20-21 Jan.; 17-18 Feb.; 17-18 Mar.; 14-15 Apr.; 19-20 May; and 23-24 June.

REVAMPED PHONES

The base telephone system, at present a fish-and-fowl combination of field telephones and regular Bell company phones, is in process of becoming a uniform, government owned system. Maj. Wilton Hipp and his electricians are hoping to have the essentials of the changeover completed for the November drill.

By Oct. 30 they hope to have a 2-digit dialing system for all on-base calls. The present Bell extension phones will remain until all the engineering problems have been worked out for the new system. The intrabase and Bell systems may be disconnected for part of the time during the November drill.

All numbers, under the new system, will have 2 digits. Emergency numbers will accord with standard Air Force practice. For instance, dialing the number "17" will alert fire and crash-landing procedures, and the number "23" will be a hot line for hospital emergencies.

Another feature of the new system, besides direct dialing, will be a direct connection with the public address system.

The number of telephones and extensions on base will remain at the present number as the switchboard is now equipped for 60 phones and 50 extensions.

Dialing "9" will give off-base lines, and while the final connections for the new system are being rigged, as will be the case during the November drill, the number "0" will give you the operator, who can make connections.

Directories will be issued shortly before the new system goes into operation.

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ENLISTMENTS---

Airmen -- Franklin R. Brown, Edwin D. Crocker, William E. Derrick and Don L. Spencer.

RE-ENLISTMENTS---

MSGT--George F. Korbler; SSGT--John H. Barger, Ray L. Ollis; A1C--Clyde W. Daniel, Johnnie L. Woodfin, Dennis M. Cathey; A2C--Walter B. Ballones, Jr., Leo F. Harward, Gene L. Lookabill, Ned R. Bivins, George P. Ellis.

AIR EVAC CENTER

At the hangar, under the direction of Maj. Clyde Hansen, the new Air Evacuation Center is being set up.

The center will be the nucleus of the new NGANG mission. Weather flight offices have been moved from two rooms at the south end of the hangar to make room for the center.

Air Evacuation Control Officers are now being trained and it is hoped that by the Nov. drill actual training in Air Evacuation procedures will have begun.

The job of the new center will be to coordinate the transportation of all "casualties" from one point to another.

The Control Center will learn from local hospitals what cases need to be moved, their nature, what facilities and equipment they will require, what conditions (altitude, pressure, weather, etc.) they can be flown in. When enough cases have been assembled for an itinerary, it will map the itinerary setting up priorities for the evacuations. This itinerary will be checked with Operations, and the flying safety officer will reverse it only for reasons of flying safety.

The center must make certain that proper reception is given at the other end--and if special medical equipment is needed it must make sure it is there. It must keep in touch with the flight at all times, learning how many vacancies are available. It is in charge of movement of baggage, necessary food and medical supplies, and records.

Airmen who haven't paid Club dues please do so now. Beginning Nov. 1, non-paid-up members will be turned away at the door. New membership cards must be presented.

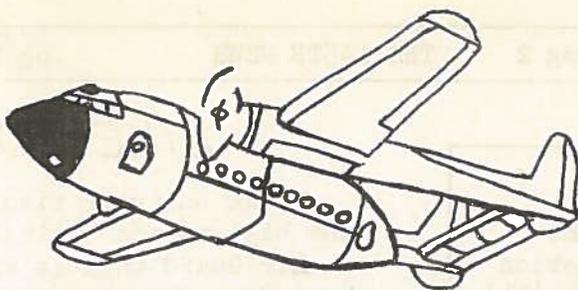
There will be a meeting of Airmen's Club members on Nov. 18, five o'clock at the Club. Purpose of the meeting is to amend the By-laws.

ACTIVATION, Cont'd

be supporting units such as air base, aircraft maintenance and material squadrons plus the dispensary.

The story will be the same for the 151st FISq at Knoxville, Tenn.

These units are heading for Germany and France.



DOCTORS, NURSES VISIT BASE

STRIPES TO BARS

The weight has shifted from the arm to the shoulder for Billy C. Shermer, recently appointed First Lieutenant in the NCANG.

CMSGT Shermer traded his eight stripes for the shiny silver bars on 30 October. In addition, he was appointed Assistant Administrative Officer.

Lieutenant Shermer enlisted in the Army Air Corps in 1946. He has been a member of the NC Air Guard since April, 1953 and is employed in the Air Technician Detachment, NCANG, the following year. Before getting his commission, he was in personnel and training.

A native of Muldron, Okla., Lt. Shermer resides with his wife and two children at Rt. 1, Gastonia.

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GUARDSMAN HONORED

TSGT William F. K. Howard, 156th AMTS, was presented a certificate for outstanding performance of academic duties at the USAF Medical Service School this morning during formation by Colonel Robert W. Brooks, Jr., Group Commander.

Howard completed the Medical Service Specialist Course at Gunter AFB, Ala., last month. He was designated as an honor graduate and ranked above regular Air Force personnel in the class.

(See HOWARD AWARD, page three)

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ANYONE INTERESTED IN THE NCANG RIFLE AND PISTOL TEAM BE IN THE STATE HQ OFFICE, O&T BUILDING, AT 1630 HOURS SUNDAY FOR AN ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING. ALL WEAPONS ARE AVAILABLE AND SHOOTING IS READY TO START.

MORE THAN 300 CHARLOTTE-area doctors, nurses and medical officials are guests this afternoon at an Open House being held by the NCANG.

The program started at 1400 and will continue until 1900, with Brig. Gen. William J. Payne, Assistant Adjutant General (Air), acting as host.

Three briefings will be given on the NCANG's new aeromedical evacuation mission. Conducting the briefings will be Gen. Payne, Maj. Clyde Hansen, aeromed evac air adviser; Maj. Mary O'Neill, flight nurse air adviser and Maj. Thomas McNeil, deputy group commander.

Guests are being given guided tours of base facilities with special stress on aeromedical operations. Two of ANG's C-119 Flying Boxcar "mercy mission" transports are on display on the ramp.

Climaxing the Open House will be a reception at the ANG Recreation Center.

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WE'LL STAY HERE FOR FIELD TRAINING

It's definite now--almost all the N. C. Air Guard will stay in Charlotte for annual field training next fiscal year.

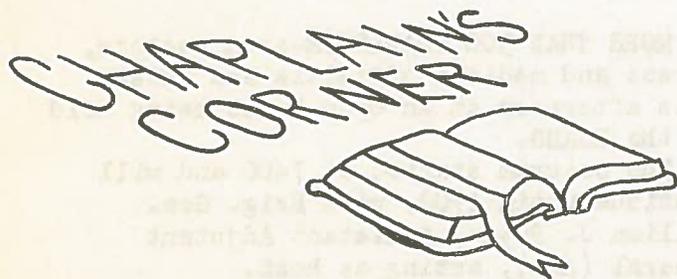
Plans are in the mill now for carrying out the new nationwide Year-Round Field Training Plan issued by the National Guard Bureau for the ANG. The plan is general in scope and is subject to local modification. It will be approximately March, 1962 before the NCANG plan is adopted.

Present planning, subject to change, calls for the NCANG to adopt four field training periods for fiscal 1962. These periods would start on the last weekend of the first month of each fiscal quarter--in other

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Dr. Paul Tillich, University Professor at Harvard, is perhaps the most brilliant philosophical theologian in the world today. During his recent visit to the Davidson College campus, he made many stimulating and provocative statements that are well worth pondering.

Basic to his understanding of Christianity is its concept of the New Being. In his book of this title, he says: "Christianity is the message of the New Creation, the New Being, the New Reality which has appeared with the appearance of Jesus who for this reason, and just for this reason, is called the Christ." It is the Christ who brings the new state of things and challenges us to participate in them. To enter the New Reality we need not show anything; we merely need to be open to be grasped by it.

This New Creation of which Tillich speaks is not a new religion; it is not to be confused with Christianity. The Christ came not to replace one religion with another, for no religion actually matters, says Tillich; only the New Creation matters.

The New Creation involves reconciliation with God, reunion with all from which one has been separated, and the resurrection of the New Being over the Old Being. With the coming of the Christ a New Reality has emerged in which we find we are reconciled to God. And, "where one is grasped by a human face as human, although one has to overcome personal distaste, or racial

LIKE TO FISH?

Break out your fishing tackle, troops-- the big'uns are biting.

Air Guard anglers are hauling out big bass from the pond beside the Recreation Center, but that old grandpappy bass is still there for the taking. No fishing license is needed by Air Guardsmen.

Fishermen can use artificial lures or live bait with the exception of minnows. This is to prevent escaping live minnows from multiplying and filling the pond with undesirable fish.

Bring the kids along. They'll enjoy the new swing sets and seesaw, or they can clamber over the F-86L fighter, last of our jets, that has been moved to the recreation area for permanent display.

NEW GATE IN

A new gate has been installed on the club road near the pond to control vehicle entry to the club area at night. This gate will be locked each day at 1800 hours.

Officers will receive a key to this gate when they receive a key to the Officers Club. Airmens Club officers who have a key to the club will also receive a key to the gate. The last person to leave the club after a night function is responsible for locking the gate.

Wives' clubs can gain access to the club for night functions by notifying ANG operations in advance.

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CHAPLAIN'S CORNER, CONTINUED

strangeness, or national conflicts, or the difference of sex, of age, of beauty, of strength, of knowledge, and all other innumerable causes of separation -- there New Creation happens!" Finally, "where there is a New Being, there is resurrection, namely, the creation into eternity out of every moment of time...Resurrection happens now, or it does not happen at all."

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PROMOTIONS

From AB to A3C: Franklin R. Brown, Edwin D. Crocker, William E. Derrick, Donald L. Spencer, Harry F. Waller Jr., Augustus W. Rector, Richard S. Reese, Jack D. Helms.

Six members of NCANG have qualified on the SKT test. They are SSGT Grady R. Dick, A3C Stanley R. Elrod Jr., Hal K. Hill, Jasper King II; SSGT James Oates, A2C Thomas McCoy.

HOWARD AWARD, Cont'd

Major General Winston P. Wilson, Assistant Chief, National Guard Bureau, Air, Washington, said in a letter to Howard: "It gives me great pleasure to extend congratulations to you for your gratifying achievement...Your outstanding effort and ability, which made you and Honor Graduate of your class and placed you above students of the regular Air Force, bring great credit to the entire Air National Guard and to your State.

Howard has 16 years of active duty.

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SHED THAT LARD

Bulging waistlines on Air Reservists, including Air Guardsmen, are giving the Air Force a headache in the recent reserve call-ups, according to a memorandum from Maj. Gen. Winston P. Wilson, Assistant Chief, National Guard Bureau, Air.

General Wilson noted that of the airmen waived from active duty during recent call-ups, 95 per cent were waived because they were overweight. The average excess poundage was 22½ pounds, the extremes ranging from 2 pounds overweight to as high as 63 pounds. The general said his staff "has been instructed to review existing directives and procedures with a view to developing a Health Program that will insure a more physically ready Air National Guard through additional emphasis by commanders toward the individual Guard members' physical condition and weight control program."



In brief, pushups and Metrecal, people.

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He's Chief Now

Robert L. McAnulty, a "charter member" of the N. C. Air Guard, has been promoted from SMSGT to CMSGT, effective 14 Nov.

CMSGT McAnulty, working on his twenty-first year of active duty, became a member of the N. C. Guard 17 Feb 48. He served in World War II and was called to active duty with the Guard for the Korean War.

A native of Concord, he now lives in Charlotte.

MAJ. McNEIL NAMED DEPUTY COMMANDER

Major Thomas C. McNeil has been named Deputy Group Commander in one of several Group Staff changes. He is former Group Operations Officer.

Major William I. Crowell was named Operations Staff Officer to replace him. Major Marvin Huntley was appointed Headquarters Executive Officer to replace Lt. Col. James B. Foster, who will be reassigned to State Headquarters.

Maj. Daniel P. Lefler was named Air Inspector, and Captain William E. Riggs was appointed Fiscal and Accounting Staff Officer to replace Major Laurence V. Senn, who will become Comptroller in State Headquarters.

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FIELD TRAINING, Cont'd

words, on the last Saturday in July and October 1962 and January and April 1963.

Each squadron or section will be asked to work out its policy on the basis of individual needs and coordination with related units. Some problem areas may arise in such activities as Food Service and Air Police where it may not be practical for individuals to serve Field Training during a period different from the bulk of the unit.

Group and squadron leaders will spend the December and January drills formulating recommendations, and a firm plan must be adopted by March 1962.

The Year-Round Field Training Plan was successfully field tested by the 136th Air Defense Wing, Texas Air Guard, and is now being implemented for other ANG units where it is compatible with their mission.

It does not apply to our 156th Weather Flight.

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REENLISTMENTS

TSGT Allen E. Massey
A2C Billy W. Morgan

ENLISTMENTS

Alton E. Mitchell

HIGH-LEVEL VISITOR

A onetime Tar Heel, native of Carthage, who is now deputy under-secretary of the Air Force for reserve affairs--in other words the highest civilian official overseeing the Air Force reserves--toured NCANG facilities October 28.

John A. Lang, who is directly in charge of the mobilization of reserve units for emergencies, made a readiness inspection accompanied by General Payne, Congressman Basil Whitener of Gastonia, and Rep. Whitener's administrative assistant.

NO PLAN CHANGE

Mr. Lang told reporters during his visit that his visit indicated no change of plans regarding NCANG. He has the job of seeing that Air Guard units are ready--if called. There is no "urgent call for this group," Mr. Lang said--barring unforeseen worsening of the tensions in Europe.

NEW EQUIPMENT

Mr. Lang said efforts were being made to get new equipment to all Guard units, and he indicated that NCANG will be getting C-121 "Super Constellations" as soon as possible to replace the present C-119's. According to Mr. Lang, Charlotte-based units have been given first priority in the country to receive the larger aircraft.

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MATS SPOT CHECK

Very impressed.

That's the word from Lt. Col. B. R. Richards, MATS Westaf budget officer who inspected the NCANG comptroller operation last week.

Col. Richards looked into manning and equipment of the ANG's finance function, and also inspected the base. He voiced compliments on our operation.

Your Air Advisers

MAJ. O'NEILL'S A FIRST

With assignment of Maj. Mary C. O'Neill as Flight Nurse Adviser, a first became history. Major O'Neill became one of the first two Air Force flight nurses to be assigned duty with the Air National Guard. Major O'Neill shared with first with Lt. Col. Elizabeth Conroy, another Air Force flight nurse, who went to the 106th AMTG, NYANG.

Major O'Neill is a native of Chicago. Commissioned a 2nd LT (nurse) in the Army on 11 May 1944. She is a graduate of St. Elizabeth's Hospital School of Nursing in Chicago and subsequently served as a staff nurse. She completed flight nurse training and received her silver wings in 1951. Major O'Neill completed the Advance Nursing Administrative Course in July 1958.

GLOBAL EXPERIENCE

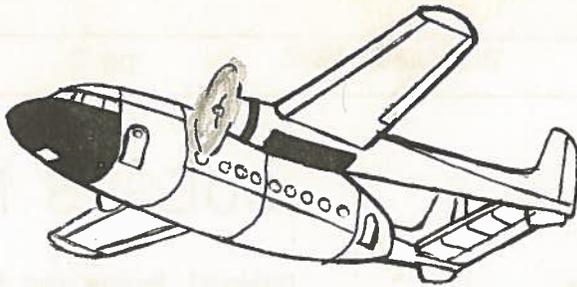
Her experience in nursing is global. In WWII she served in England during the "buzz bomb blitz" and during the peak of action immediately after the invasion of Europe and the ultimate outcome of the war. Since then Major O'Neill has served in the Panama Canal Zone, North Africa and Hawaii. Her duties as an "Angel of Mercy in the Sky" read like a travelogue, taking in places like Australia, Japan, Korea, Thailand and Philippine Islands.

CAME FROM ARIZONA

Major O'Neill came to this assignment from her duties as the Chief Nurse, Luke AFB Hospital in Arizona. She is advising and assistant personnel of the 145 AMTG in training flight nurses and aeromedical technicians.

During her service in both the Army and the Air Force, Major O'Neill received the European-African-Middle East, American Campaign and National Defense Service Awards, WWII Victory Medal and Air Force Longevity Service Award Ribbon with three oak leaf clusters.

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WESTAF CHIEF VISITS NCANG

Recruiting Boosts Nurse Total To 10

Extra recruiting effort, highlighted by a special open house during the November drill, has resulted in the addition of five nurses for the 156th AMTS. There are also three applications pending, which, if approved will bring the NCANG's nurse corps to a total of thirteen.

Three received appointments in November— 1ST LT Francis E. Chisholm, CAPT Betty J. Scism and 2ND LT Elizabeth G. Smith—and two were appointed last week— 2ND LT Anne E. Register and 2ND LT Joyce A. Russell.

Those with applications pending are Mrs. Katherine S. Robinson, Miss Linda J. Miller and Miss Barbara L. Grayson.

LT Chisholm, a native of Laurinburg, now lives in Charlotte. She is a graduate of Charlotte Memorial Hospital and is employed by Dr. R. T. Pixley in Charlotte.

CAPT Scism is a native of Cherryville and a graduate of Mercy Hospital and UNC. She is employed as a Senior Staff Nurse at the Charlotte Health Department.

(see NURSES JOIN, page three)

Major General Glen R. Birchard, WESTAF commander at Travis AFB, Calif., was scheduled to make a short informal visit to the NCANG this afternoon.

It is part of a series of such visits Gen. Birchard is making to ANG units assigned to WESTAF under MATS. With its aeromedical evacuation mission, the 145th AMTG is assigned to WESTAF. He was to be accompanied by his aide de camp and his deputy assistant for reserve affairs, and planned to land at 1530 hours and leave at 1645 hours.

Gen. Birchard was named WESTAF commander last July after serving as Deputy Chief of Staff for Operations at Headquarters MATS, Scott AFB, Ill. Before that he had served as deputy commander of MATS's former Continental Division at Kelly AFB, Texas. In 1959 he was appointed to the Research Advisory Committee of NASA.

He flew 400 combat hours in B-24's and B-29's against the Japanese in the Pacific and flew 40 combat hours in the Korean War. He held a key operational post in the Berlin Airlift.

Gen. Birchard holds the Legion of Merit with one Oak Leaf Cluster, the Distinguished Flying Cross, and the Air Medal with nine Oak Leaf Clusters.



MAJ GEN BIRCHARD

*Merry
Christmas*

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I do not understand the people who object to the purchase of UNICEF (United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund) Christmas cards simply because they are not adorned with the traditional symbols of Christmas. The UNICEF cards I have seen are attractive, colorful, modern, French art. They feature angels rather than the typically American snow scenes, Christmas trees and Santa Claus.

The recent objection of the DAR to Mrs. Kennedy's order for UNICEF cards is that they do not have pictures of the manger and Christ Child and consequently do not properly convey the Christmas message. How blind can one be to the Spirit of Christmas! What is more representative of the Spirit of Christ than ministering to the blind, diseased, hungry, orphaned children of the world! The Kingdom of God consists in just such a ministry.

Does any one doubt that Jesus would approve the purchase of UNICEF cards when the money so obviously benefits so many? At least the use of UNICEF cards provides a positive escape from a portion of the materialism and unproductive sentimentalism of a Madison Avenue Christmas.

The Christmas Spirit is the Spirit of Christ. It is best manifest not in

GUESTS DROP IN

General Payne and the NCANG have received a letter of appreciation for seasonal hospitality.

It came from Major General T. J. Conway, commander of the 82nd Airborne Division paratroopers, in appreciation of the billeting arrangements made for the 82nd Airborne Battalion (Provisional), who were forced to stop over at Douglas Field on their way back to Fort Bragg from maneuvers in the mountains.

"Even though their arrival was unanticipated and unscheduled," General Conway noted. "You took painstaking care to arrange for billeting and rations in their behalf.

"The thoughtfulness with which these arrangements were made is truly indicative of the fine spirit which prevails in our Armed Forces...I wish to extend my sincere appreciation..."

The paratroopers had their stopover the night of November 16. Weather conditions forced them to land here.

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Complete Course

Ten NCANG airmen recently completed a Navy training course—"Hospitalman"—which qualified them for entry into the medical career field.

Nine of the ANG students had scores of 3.5-3.8, the average scoring range for Navy personnel. A3C Emil A. Pfister had a 3.9 score out of a possible 4.0. The others are A2C—Wilson M. Snell, James D. Brooks, Fletcher M. Peele; A3C—Donald G. Bridges, Allen K. Clark, David E. Garman, Nelson L. Ross, David A. Lorance III, George A. Maydanis.

The course consists of six lessons and the maximum time for completing the requirements in six months. The ANGers did it in six weeks.

setting up manger scenes of the nativity but as wise men in visiting the mangers of the world with gifts. "Inasmuch as you have done it unto the least of these, you have done it unto me."

—Chaplain S. D. Maloney

NURSES, CONT'D

Lieutenant Smith is from Conway, S. C. She is a graduate of Charlotte Memorial Hospital and is now serving as a Staff Nurse, Medical and Surgical Floor at Memorial Hospital here.

Lieutenants Register and Russell are both employed by Presbyterian Hospital. LT Register, from Wilmington, N. C., is Head Nurse, Intensive Care, Critical Patients Ward. LT Russell is Staff Nurse, Emergency Room.

Mrs. Robinson has eleven years of experience as a nurse and is currently a Hospital Supervisor at the N. C. Orthopedic Hospital in Gastonia. Miss Miller is a Staff Nurse, Operating Room, at Cabarrus Memorial Hospital and Miss Grayson is a Staff Nurse, Operating Room, at Presbyterian Hospital.

The next step for the nurses is a preliminary three-week basic orientation course at Gunter AFB, Ala. After that comes the Flight Nurses' School at Brooks AFB, San Antonio, and if successful, wings and diplomas.

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Another Pilot Assigned To ANG

First Lieutenant Herbert C. Needham has transferred to the NCANG. He is assigned duty as a Pilot in the 156th AMTS.

A resident of Concord, LT Needham has completed six years of active duty in the Air Force as a Pilot and Radar Interceptor Controller. Part of his service came in Alaska.

He is a graduate of the University of North Carolina and is employed at Burton Institute, Charlotte.

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CHAPLAIN'S STORY

Chaplain (Capt) Sam D. Maloney of the NCANG was featured in an article in THE CHARLOTTE NEWS last weekend. The story, which reviewed Chaplain Maloney's professional and military career, was written by A3C Roger Honkanen, an Air Guardsman who is a writer for THE NEWS.

INSPECTORS COMING

Another WESTAF inspection team will conduct a General (Federal) Inspection of the NCANG starting 14 Feb. and ending with the 17-18 Feb. drill.

Scheduled originally as an Operational Readiness Inspection (ORI), the check was changed to a General Inspection similar to the one we received last September that brought a "satisfactory" rating.

"I'm pleased that we will have this opportunity to improve our showing for the WESTAF inspectors," said Col. Robert W. Brooks, Group Commander. "I've urged every squadron and section to correct any discrepancies reported after the last inspection. This should be done before the February inspection."

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Annual Check

The 145th's sister squadron at Wadesboro-Badin, the 263rd Communications Squadron, is having its federal inspection this week.

It will conclude today.

General Payne and other members of state headquarters are attending the critique this afternoon.

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Supply Schedule

Unit Supply has announced a schedule for obtaining clothing.

The idea is to prevent bottlenecks and make service quick for all who come at their appointed time.

Schedule follows:

Saturday

- 145th CAMRON.....0800-1100
- 156th WEA FLT.....1300-1630
- 156th AMTS..... "
- Hq, NCANG..... "
- Hq, 145th AMT Gp..... "

Sunday

- 145th DISP.....0800-1100
- All Flying Personnel... "
- 145th ABRON.....1300-1630