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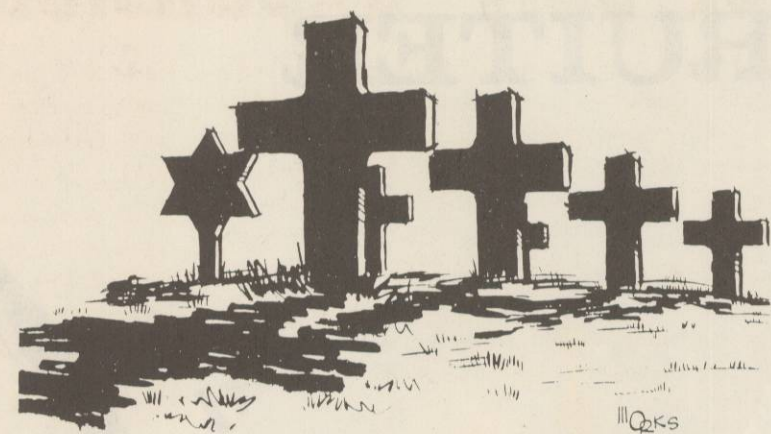


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## ARMED FORCES WEEK, 1975





## Flanders Fields

Memorial Day is the time for all Americans to remember the thousands of young people who have died in the service of their nation.

John McCrae, in his poem, *In Flanders Fields*, wrote, "If ye break faith with us who die/We shall not sleep, though poppies grow/In Flanders fields."

The first line of the triplet, "If ye break faith with us who die," echoing from the battlefields of World War I, should ring through the thoughts of every man and woman in uniform.

Those who died, not just in World Wars I and II, but through all our nation's struggles and in the sweating jungles of Vietnam, have left behind a trust that their sacrifices be given meaning by the continuation and growth of the American nation in a free world.

The serviceman and woman of today carries a heavy part of this trust. It is only through keeping faith, through courage and steadfastness, that those who lie in Flanders Field, and other honored places around the world may sleep.

## Ask the COMMANDER



Why not enlist applicants for Air Force specialties requiring a Class II flying physical into the Delayed Enlistment Program, pending certification by the Air Training Command surgeon general? This will save an additional trip to the Armed Forces Examining and Entrance Station, manhours and all associated costs. (TSgt. James C. Gitsas, AFEES Liaison NCO, Det. 104)

Only three Guaranteed Training Enlistment Program jobs require a Class II physical and we need only 51 people for them over the next seven months. Also, about 20 per cent of the physicals are disqualified by the Air Training Command surgeon, so we'd have to tell people we could not live up to our guaranteed commitment if your suggestion was adopted. This situation could lead to unnecessary complaints. Because of these factors, I believe your suggestion cannot be reasonably or effectively adopted, however I appreciate your concern and thank you for your interest.

Is there a publication that shows the addresses of all state and county police offices? In the cases of applicants who have resided in different areas, it is very difficult to know where to send a DD Form 369. Why isn't the Entrance National Agency Check (ENTNAC) completed while the applicants are in the Delayed Enlistment Program (DEP)? (MSgt. Ernest A. Gallant, Det. 110)

We do not know of a consolidated listing of all police departments. However, your timely suggestion is currently under consideration by DoD for initiation of an ENTNAC by Armed Forces Entrance and Examining Stations (AFEES) after an applicant is mentally and physically qualified. In the interim, we have asked the group commanders for comments on the feasibility of our liaison NCOs preparing the ENTNAC request until this function is taken over by AFEES. When implemented, this will preclude recruiters from obtaining police checks, unless waiver action is initiated.

Various states use the term "reckless driving" in different ways. In some cases it refers to minor violations and in others to non-minor. Why can't local law enforcement agencies indicate on the DD Form 369 whether they consider the offense as minor or major? (MSgt. Edgar Williams, Det. 408, sector supervisor)

You are in a better position to negotiate with local authorities than we. Local law enforcement agencies can indicate on the DD Form 369 whether an offense committed is considered as "minor," "non-minor," or "felony." This is both permissible and appropriate, and would resolve the local problem you have encountered. However, such action can not be directed from this headquarters.

## 'We give thanks'

Almighty God, we give thanks for the "cloud of witnesses" that have kept this nation strong and free. On this Armed Forces Day we are indebted to these courageous and faithful men and women who have won and won liberty many times.

We pray for the men and women in our Armed Forces who serve on land, sea and air. Keep them safe from harm. Comfort them by Your presence. We ask Thy help, O God, in maintaining a strong ethical fabric in this country. Inspire us in peace; rekindle a spirit of sacrifice; make us steadfast in purpose; and dedicate us to justice and love. Make us mindful of our responsibilities to all mankind.

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## Qualities and quantities facing modern Air Force

New problems challenge the Air Force, Secretary of the Air Force John L. McLucas said in his presentation to the Senate Committee on Armed Services recently.

One example of the kind of problem faced: "Air Force fuel consumption in fiscal year 1975 is projected to be 27 per cent less than that of fiscal year 1973, yet the cost this year will be 133 per cent greater than in 1973." He said also:

"Today's Air Force is powerful and prepared, but maintaining a high level of effectiveness in the years ahead requires coping with inflation, limited resources, and increasing Soviet military power . . .

"Even after major cutbacks, in fuel use and elsewhere, inflation is driving up the cost of maintaining a ready Air Force capable of meeting its responsibilities. An effective and efficient combination of people and hardware is imperative, as is an optimum mix of quality and quantity.

## Integrity means correcting wrong

Integrity is an abstract word and it means many things—what it means to me is simply: First—the ability to tell the difference between right and wrong. Second—and most important—to do something about what is wrong, even though it may be of considerable cost to one's self or to one's career.

If you can imagine the

Air Force as an iceberg, then that portion of the iceberg underneath the water is our integrity. It is our integrity that is our fundamental strength. Our word to each other is our bond.

One is not born with integrity. Integrity is a learned thing. Therefore, if you make mistakes in a situation which calls for integrity and you fail to react properly,

do not be unduly dismayed.

Rather, understand that you are a human and use this experience to reinforce your determination to do better the next time. If you keep that up you can learn integrity and make a great contribution to our Air Force. —Major General John P. Flynn, commander of the Air Force Military Training Center.

## Aptitude areas due for July expansion

Young people electing to enlist in one of the four available career areas in the Air Force without a guaranteed training assignment will be afforded greater selectivity in choosing a specific job specialty after July 1, U.S. Air Force Recruiting Service officials here said recently.

"Career area (aptitude index) enlistees — people enlisting for training in mechanics, administration, general, or electronics — will be offered five job preferences within their aptitude area of enlistment from jobs available instead of just three choices offered now," explained Colonel Donald B. Wren, director of student resources.

"Also," he continued, "our system of identifying Air Force specialties by a three-digit numerical designation will be expanded to a full five-digit Air Force Specialty Code in July."

Explaining the difference, Col. Wren pointed out that, in most cases, the three digits of the specialty identify a specific skill.

However, it does not do so when there is a fifth digit change. For example, the 303XX job specialty deals with Air

Traffic Control; but the 30331 is for air traffic control radar repair; 30332 involves aircraft control and warning systems repair; and the 30333 specialty works with automated tracking radar repair. All are related, but entirely different job specialties.

"By expanding to the five-

digit system," Col. Wren said, "there will be less chance of misunderstandings by career area enlistees as to just what type of work they will be trained to perform."

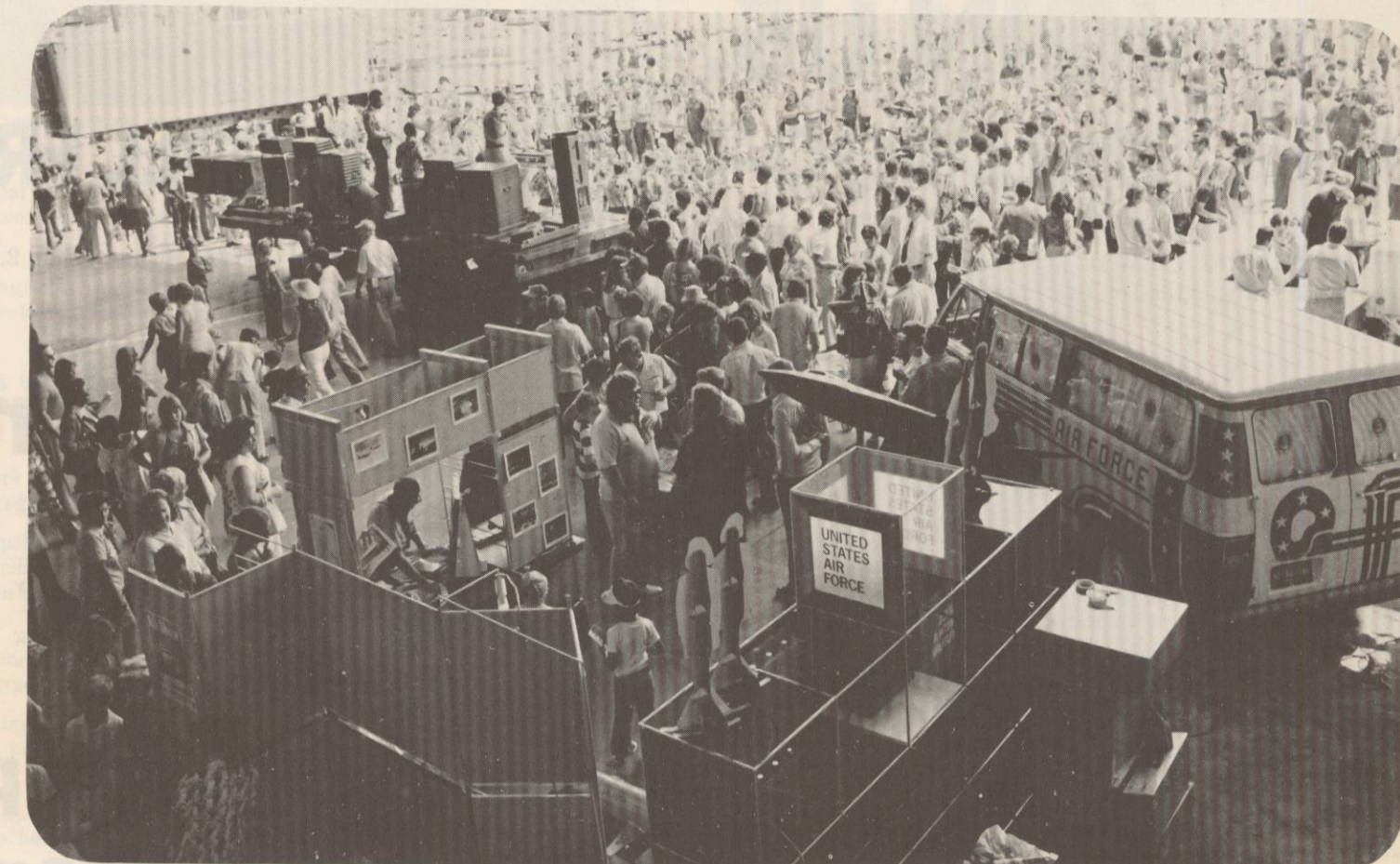
These enlistees, during initial processing at basic military training, are given orientation briefings on the jobs available in

their particular areas of enlistment, along with job information pamphlets to study. Later they meet with individual guidance counselors and make known their preferences for training.

"In today's system," Col. Wren explained, "we classify enlistees into jobs within their

career area, but must place some into jobs which are not a personal preference.

"During initial job classification," he concluded, "Air Force requirements must take priority over personal job preference, but we do our best to put young people in jobs they prefer and can do."



LOCATION WAS THE KEY to the success of U.S. Air Force Recruiting Detachment 303's booth at the Patrick Air Force Base Open House held recently. With spacecraft displays sharing the exhibit area and the Thunderbirds nearby, an estimated 25,000 passed by the recruiting booth during the day; pausing to listen to a rock band adjacent to the exhibit. Recruiters from the detachment's Cocoa office manned the display. (U.S. Air Force photo by Captain Don Toler.)

## Medical recruiting teams increase

The medical recruiting effort of the U.S. Air Force Recruiting Service is being expanded as a result of a study conducted here by operations officials and the continuing Air Force need for health professionals.

By mid-1975, there will be thirty-two medical recruiting teams in operation, an increase of nine over the original twenty-three, and a total of 115 people assigned, 45 medical service corps officers, 40 medical recruiting NCOs, and 30 civilian employees. And, in line with other organizational changes going into effect July 1st, recruiting detachment commanders will have operational responsibility for medical recruiting within their geographical areas.

The proclamation was signed by President Gerald R. Ford March 29.

Officials here are very pleased

with the results of the medical recruiting efforts to date. Maj. Gen. B. L. Davis, U.S. Air Force Recruiting Service commander, said, "Our Air Force medical recruiting people have done a very commendable job in obtaining highly professional and dedicated physicians for the Air Force. We are hopeful that their hard work will obtain the necessary health professionals to meet Air Force requirements. The doctor shortage is still with us, but prospects are most encouraging for the next fiscal year."

As of April 30th, the teams have entered on active duty 197 doctors, 91 others have been selected and will be on active duty soon, 236 applications are being processed here and there

are several hundred more in various stages of accomplishment.

Leading the way in medical recruiting is the 3502nd U.S. Air Force Recruiting Group (USAFRG) medical recruiting teams who have placed 44 physicians on active duty so far.

With the ever increasing popularity of the Tri-Service Health Professional Scholarship Program, more of the medical recruiter's time and effort is being devoted to attracting the fully qualified professional to active duty with the Air Force. The new team locations will provide medical recruiters with more direct access to professional populations, reduce travel, and allow the recruiter to personally assist applicants with their processing officials here stated.

As of July 1, Air Force medical recruiting teams will be located in the following cities: Alameda, Calif., Ann Arbor, Mich., Arlington, Tex., Atlanta, Baltimore, Md., Bedford, Mass., Bellevue, Wash., Chicago, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Denver, Houston, Kansas City, Mo., Los Angeles, Memphis, Milwaukee, Minneapolis, New York, N.Y., Pittsburgh, Raleigh, N.C., Ro-

chester, N.Y., Newark, N.J., New Orleans, San Diego, St. Louis, Orlando, Fla., Hartford, Conn., Salt Lake City, Utah, Sacramento, Calif., Cherry Hill, N.J., Scottsdale, Ariz., and at Pease Air Force Base, N.H.

## Search begins for dental specialists

The U.S. Air Force Recruiting Service is searching for 45 specialists in oral surgery, endodontics, periodontics and prosthodontics now, and some 125 general dental practitioners in fiscal year 1976.

"Experience on the job is the single largest benefit the Air Force has to offer the general dentistry graduate," Colonel Willis G. Womack, director of operations, Recruiting Service, said here recently, "and it will continue to be the prime attraction next fiscal year."

"Let's go direct" was selected as the best approach to alert the some 1,200 prospective dental specialists under 40 years of age to the Air Force's need for their professional skills.

Direct mail letters, along with personal visits, to these specialists and senior dental students scheduled for graduation this year will be an additional job for medical recruiting teams which are located in various major metropolitan areas.

## Additional jobs offered

One thousand more Air Force jobs have been made available for high school and college graduates this summer, according to U.S. Air Force Recruiting Service officials here.

The additional job vacancies will be filled between now and June 30, 1975.

According to Colonel Willis G. Womack, director of recruiting operations here, "This action will permit increased enlistment of school graduates this summer. Seniors who qualify," he concluded, "will begin a career in the Air Force follow-

ing graduation."

The 1,000 additional job opportunities available to the nation's youth with no prior military service brings the fiscal year 1975 total of Air Force recruiting objectives to 75,155 young men and women.

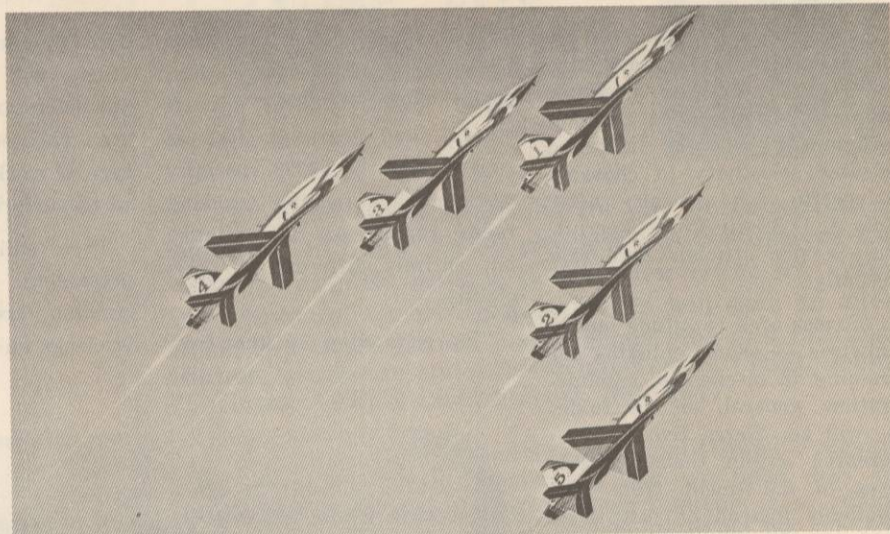


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HERE IS A PREVIEW of a new Air Force Recruiting Service billboard. It is scheduled to be posted at more than 2,000 locations throughout the country in early June for two months.

## Recruiters help replenish sales force

Air Force recruiters are being asked to help in the search for qualified career status noncommissioned officers (NCOs) to meet continuing requirements to replenish the recruiter force.

"Largely through the efforts of our dedicated recruiters, the Air Force has met or exceeded its manpower objectives without the aid of the draft," said Major General B. L. Davis, U.S. Air Force Recruiting Service commander. "To continue to do so with even higher quality enlistees requires that we continue to fill vacancies in our own ranks with only top-notch NCO professionals."

"This means," he continued, "that recruiters throughout the country must establish and actively participate in campaigns for recruiter duty applications at bases in their area."

Making presentations at commanders calls and providing base newspapers with articles on the subject — periodically released by Recruiting Service headquarters — are key ingredients to a successful campaign.

Other actions include establishing rapport with Consolidated Base Personnel Office officials who can periodically place items in the daily bulletin, and keeping an eye open for motivated NCOs who might make good recruiters.

"As we all know," the work isn't easy and the hours are long," reminded the general, "and this must be emphasized to prospective applicants, but they should also be told that it is one of the most challenging and rewarding jobs in the Air Force."

Potential applicants should be told recruiters represent the Air Force and may be the only contact civilians in the community have with the Air Force. They will counsel and advise prospective applicants on choosing a career area most suited to their qualifications and desires, and discuss the job and training opportunities available to them in the Air Force today.

Benefits prospective recruiters should be told about are the possibility they may be eligible for government-leased family or bachelor housing, up to \$150 a month Special Duty Pay, limited reimbursement for out-of-pocket expenses and additional sub-

sistence monies. Let them know they can expect to serve a four-year minimum tour and some may receive assignments near their hometowns.

Noncommissioned officers selected for recruiting duty attend a recruiter training course at Lackland Air Force Base, Tex. The curriculum covers such items as sales techniques, public speaking, criteria for the various enlistment and commissioning programs and advertising and publicity techniques.

Personnel of all Air Force specialties are eligible to apply, even though they may be frozen for an overseas assignment.

The freeze status waiver enables career committed E-4 men and women who have more than three years total active federal military service to apply. Waiver

requests by NCOs in the freeze zone will be considered on an individual basis by the Air Force Military Personnel Center here.

According to Master Sergeant Merritt O. Weikel, non-commissioned officer in charge

of recruiting manning for the Air Training Command assignments directorate, "Recruiter openings change continuously and are filled on a first come—first served basis. Recruiting duty applicants should list as many assignment preferences

as possible to get an area of their choice."

Interested NCOs should be directed to their Consolidated Base Personnel Office, Customer Service Center, for more information and application procedures.

## Civilian awards program receives summer facelift

The U.S. Air Force Recruiting Service civilian awards program will take on a totally new look this summer. Design of the awards has been changed and presentation categories have been realigned.

"We hope this action will provide more prestigious awards which can be of significant benefit to recruiters in showing their appreciation for the help of people and organizations in the community," said Colonel

Arthur S. Ragen, director of advertising. "We expect to see a significant increase in the number of recruiters who are using the awards program," he added.

There will be two plaques and three certificates in the new program.

U.S. Air Force Recruiting group commanders will have an Outstanding Public Service plaque which replaces the three former news media plaques. New wording makes it appropriate for presentation to civic organizations and individuals as well as the news media. A Certificate of Commendation for Exceptional Support will also be available at group level.

Recruiting detachment commanders will have an Honorary Recruiter Certificate and an Outstanding Contribution Certificate.

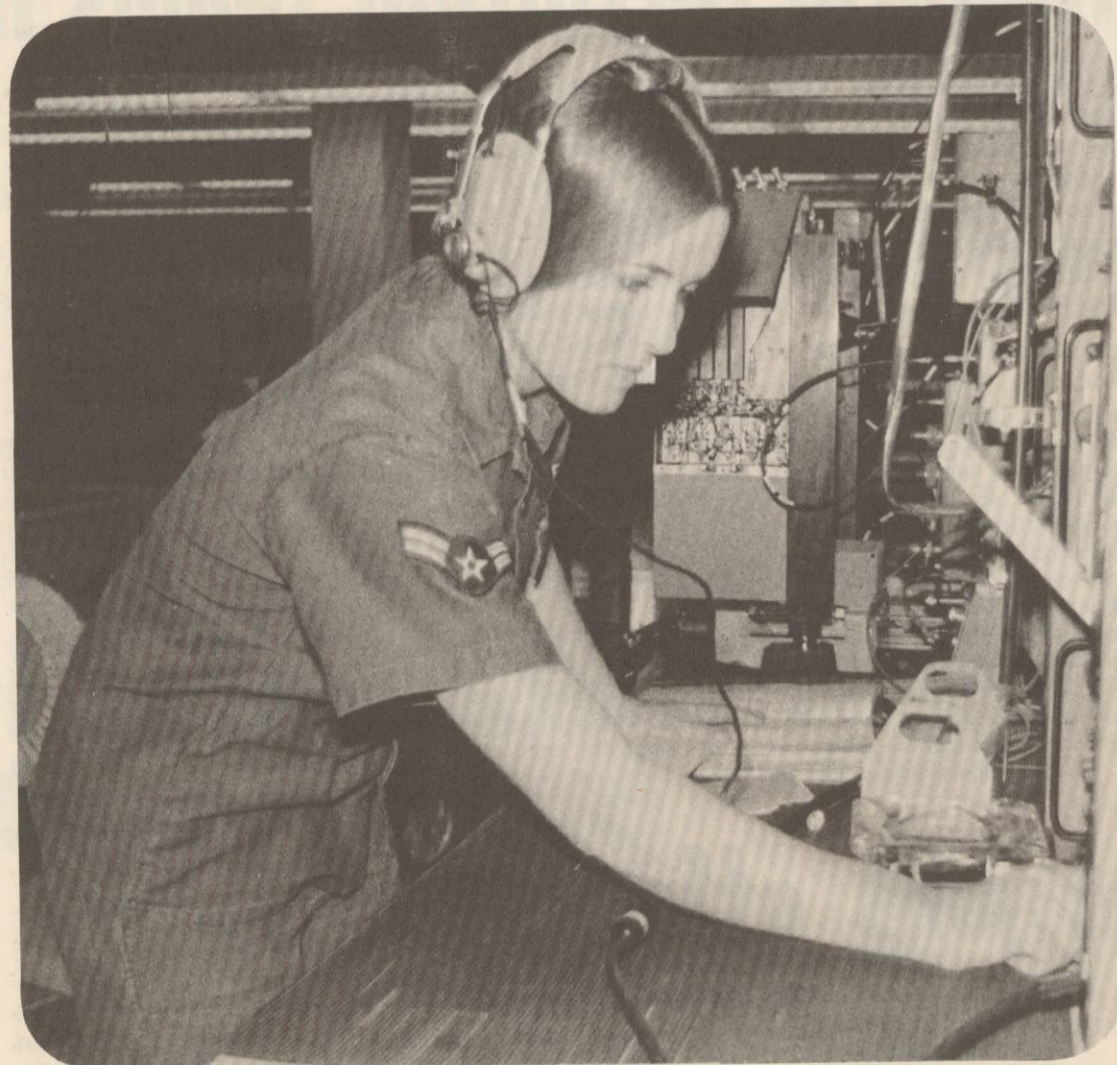
The Recruiting Service plaque, which is approved by the Air Force Recruiting Service commander, will continue to be the highest award in the program.

Both plaques are 6 inches by 9 inches, solid walnut, with an Air Force design and citation engraved by a laser beam.

The certificates are made of gold or silver foil material with an embossed Recruiting Service seal in full color. All certificates are individually packaged with a frame.

### Test group examines 1,231,890 students

The Armed Forces Vocational Testing Group here announced that as of April 16, 1,231,890 students in 15,141 high schools had been administered the Armed Forces Vocational Aptitude Battery.



ADJUSTING HER ELECTRONIC TEST equipment, is Airman First Class Deborah Castleman, a member of the 366th Avionics Maintenance Squadron, Mountain Home Air Force Base, Idaho. During a recent visit to her hometown, A1C Castleman assisted U.S. Air Force Recruiting Detachment 603 recruiters at Fresno, Calif. The apprentice integrated avionics components specialist, spoke with high school students about Air Force opportunities, spoke with applicants, and met with radio and television representatives while home. (U.S. Air Force Photo by Sergeant Jack McKie)

## Top maintenance airman

# 'I love my job'

by Staff Sergeant David B. Drachlis

"If you're a dainty little chick, don't like to work long hours and are afraid to get dirty, chances are you won't make it in this business."

So says Airman First Class Christine M. Cole, an enthusiastic, blonde, brown-eyed, U.S. Air Force aircraft maintenance specialist.

Assigned to the 12th Organizational Maintenance Squadron here, Christine is responsible for helping maintain the base's T-39 passenger jet aircraft.

"I love my job," she says, "even though my recruiter warned me it would be a tough one."

Her tasks range from visual inspections and minor adjustments to major repairs which involve lugging batteries and changing tires.

Normal hours for the Springfield, Ill., native, are from 6:45 a.m. to 3:45 in the afternoon weekdays. She also puts in one Saturday and Sunday a month.

"Of course, when there is a backlog of work to be done, the day lengthens," she related. "Once we worked 36 hours with only short breaks to eat and catch a quick nap."

Although much of her work is done inside a maintenance hangar, she is sometimes required to work on the flightline.

"I perform pre-flight and post-flight inspections of the aircraft outdoors and help the crewchief with his maintenance duties," explained A1C Cole, "which often means working in the hot Texas sun."

"On 100-plus degree summer days, we suffer a bit and when it rains we get soaked, but we get the job done," she said frankly.

A1C Cole doesn't seem to mind the inconveniences that accompany her career, which include a permanent trace of grease around her fingernails.

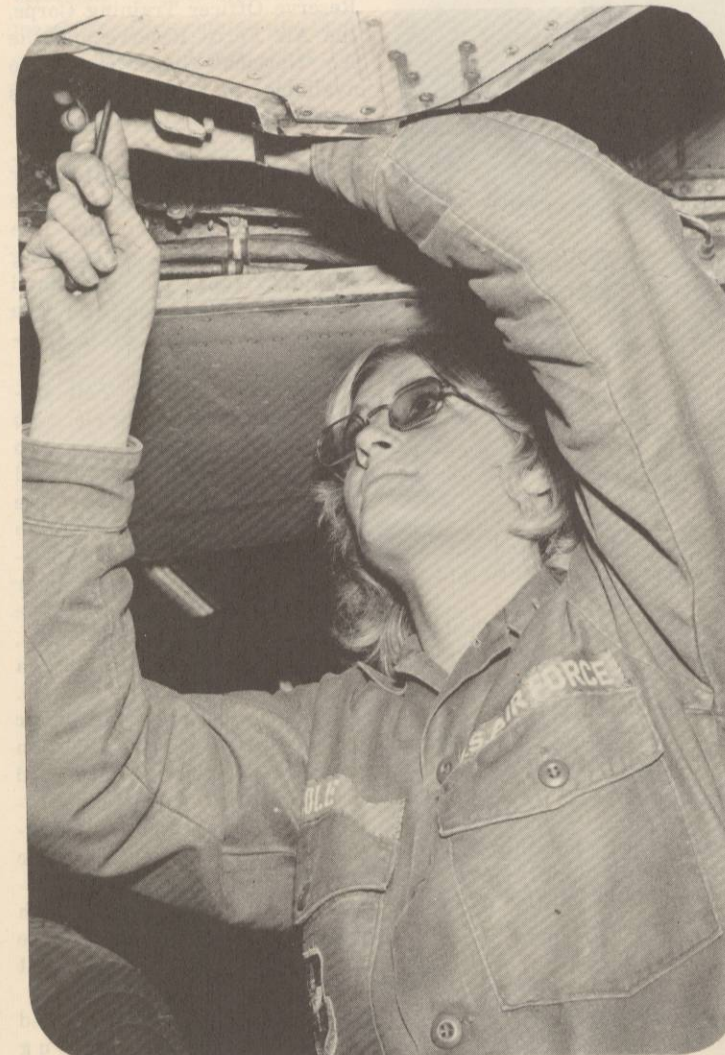
"I love the Air Force," she said, and she plans to stay. After a year and a half, it is home to her.

The transition from Miss Cole to A1C Cole was a smooth one.

"I used to help my dad overhaul our car, and I helped my brother build race cars," related A1C Cole. "And my recruiters, in the Springfield office, told me exactly what to expect so when I got here there were no surprises."

"That's a must," emphasized the mechanic who hopes to someday become an Air Force recruiter or career counselor, "because some girls are just not cut out to be mechanics."

"I owe a lot of my satisfaction with the Air Force to my recruiters who took the time to level with me about both the good and bad in my job," she concluded.



RECOGNIZED RECENTLY AS Maintenance Airman of the Month by the 12th Organizational Maintenance Squadron here, Airman First Class Christine M. Cole makes an adjustment inside the nose wheel well of a T-39 aircraft.



"THE WORK IS heavy, and you get filthy dirty, but I love my job," said Airman First Class Christine M. Cole, an aircraft maintenance specialist assigned to the 12th Organizational Maintenance Squadron here.

## Inspiration pays off for 15 degree winners

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — Fifteen members of U.S. Air Force Recruiting Detachment 502 here recently earned their bachelor degrees from McKendree College, Lebanon, Ill., thanks to the inspirational leadership of the detachment operations officer.

Captain Michael D. Shirley, a 1972 graduate of McKendree, realized that tremendous obstacles face every man in uniform desiring a higher education. Setting his sights and assuring detachment personnel that "the impossible could be done," Capt. Shirley began an educational push within the detachment that recently culminated with an unusual graduation ceremony.

Receiving their Bachelor of Arts degrees were Senior Master Sergeant Hershel L. Finney, Technical Sergeant Louis Harris, Jr., Master Sergeant Sherman Lockard, MSgt. John C. Raney, TSgt. Paul G. Bandy, TSgt. Charles R. Burroughs, TSgt. Raymond Heflin, SMSgt. Bobby A. Hudson (Ret.), MSgt. Harry D. Kaeser, MSgt. Robert M. Sees, MSgt. Terry G. Simons, TSgt. Robert Turpin, Staff Sergeants Robert L. Klee-man, Charles R. Lundy, and Lieutenant Colonel Robert B. Purcell. Lt. Col. Purcell, presently attending the Air War College, was a prisoner of war in Southeast Asia for more than seven years.

TSgt. Charles R. Norman, presently assigned in Southeast Asia, was presented his degree in absentia. Colonel Glenn F. Stauffer, vice president of the Community College of the Air Force, gave the commencement address.

According to a Detachment spokesman, "Capt. Shirley has proven to the men of Det. 502 that if you set your mind on a goal and stick firm in your beliefs and desires, you can do anything."

Capt. Shirley departs in June for a second tour in Southeast Asia at Korat Royal Thai Air Force Base. However, he leaves behind a legacy of accomplishment — "It can be done."

## Col. Trimeloni selected as new women director

The Air Force has named a former member of U.S. Air Force Recruiting Service to become director of Women in the Air Force (WAF), Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff, Personnel, Headquarters U.S. Air Force.

Colonel Bianca D. Trimeloni, a former 3503rd U.S. Air Force Recruiting Group WAF selection officer, will assume the position, replacing Col. Billie M. Bobbitt who retired this month.

Col. Trimeloni has been deputy WAF director since March 1973.

She enlisted in the Air Force in 1949 after earning her bachelor of arts degree at Kent State University in Ohio. She attended Officer Candidate School and was commissioned in 1951. Col. Trimeloni was released from active duty in late 1953.

Returning to Pennsylvania, she did graduate work in personnel and counseling at the University of Pittsburgh. She was recalled to active duty as a WAF squadron commander in March 1956.

Her other assignments included duties as personnel officer in Italy, and at Keesler Air Force Base, Miss.; chief of plans and operations, 3700th Personnel Processing Group at Lackland Air Force Base, Tex.; director of personnel at Ubon Royal Thai Air Force Base, Thailand; and WAF staff director and chief, Social Actions Division for Headquarters Aerospace Defense Command at Colorado Springs, Col. (AFNS)



# Expo '75 attracts thousands



**TALKING WITH** high school students about Air Force career opportunities at Cleveland's Armed Services EXPO '75 is Staff Sergeant Richard T. Hundley, a member of U.S. Air Force Recruiting Detachment 513. (U.S. Air Force Photo by Manuel Collaso)

**CLEVELAND** — Almost 10,000 people got a first-hand look at Air Force aircraft, and gained information about Air Force career opportunities during the Armed Services Expo '75 last month.

"With the ever-increasing number of aviation-related careers, this is a tremendous opportunity for the young people of Cleveland to see the type of training that is available to them."

With those words, Dr. Paul Briggs, superintendent of Cleveland City Schools, opened the unusual national event held April 8 and 9 at the Cleveland Board of Education Aviation High School. The event also doubled as the inaugural open house for the brand new school.

Armed Services Expo '75 was a joint service attraction co-sponsored by civilian leaders of Greater Cleveland, U.S. Air Force Recruiting Detachment 513, and recruiting units of other military services.

EXPO featured more than 100 exhibits, displays, static aircraft, and demonstrations. Displays included a Thunderbird-like T-38 and a T-37 parked side-by-side.

They were provided by the Air Force Orientation Group, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio. Also on display were an Ohio Air National Guard KC-97 from Rickenbacker AFB and an Air Force Reserve A-37 Dragonfly from Youngstown (Ohio).

The Army provided six helicopters and a number of vehicles, the Marines flew in an OV-10 Bronco, and the Navy displayed a propeller-driven T-34.

The indoor displays were housed in the high school's concrete-floored hangar. The Air Force had a 16x35 foot booth adjacent to the doorway leading to the outdoor displays.

The booth was a combination of the multi-purpose display, prestige display, and hall, wall and window display. In addition to using the printpanels on the plexiglass panels of the multi-purpose display, four "cubes" were built from additional pieces of the display and placed side-by-side. A frosted piece of plexiglass was put on the bottom of each cube and a light pan was placed under each for a bottom lighting effect. Inside were displayed authentically painted Air Force model aircraft which had been made by members of the Cleveland Model Aircraft Club.

The booth was jointly manned by personnel from the detachment's two Cleveland sectors and representatives from other Air Force organizations.

Air Force recruiters participating in the event were Master Sergeants Daniel J. Foley, and Dan E. Pastor, and Technical Sergeants John J. Kuzma, William E. Powell, and Marion R. Snow. Also participating were Staff Sergeants Ray A. Davis, Robert A. Junka, John E. Long, Michael R. Schulz, Larry D. Verhosek and Richard T. Hundley.

Officers and airmen from the Air Force Academy, Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps, the Air Force Reserve and the Air National Guard were also available to answer questions concerning their own particular area of interest.

The working committee for the event, consisting of one member of each of the five services, received outstanding support from the Cleveland Board of Education and the boards of education of the surrounding area.

Many schools gave their students time off from class to attend the EXPO. Those who could not get away from school because of other activities, were urged to attend the event in the evening. Some schools provided transportation for their students using school buses. One school district near Canton, Ohio, turned the EXPO into a field trip for some of its classes.

For those people using public transportation, a transportation unit of the Ohio National Guard provided a free shuttle bus service from the center of Cleveland. Four buses an hour made the two mile trip from downtown to the Aviation High School which is located on the grounds of Burke Lakefront Airport on Lake Erie.

The military services provided continuous attractions along with the displays. Representing the Air Force were two local youth drill teams. Each is coached by one of the Det. 513's recruiters and performed on behalf of the detachment.



**GETTING A FIRST-hand** look at the cockpit of a T-38 Talon is Cleveland's Mayor Ralph J. Perk. With Mayor Perk is Captain Wayne A. Tongue, commander of U.S. Air Force Recruiting Detachment 513, Cleveland. The aircraft which displayed Thunderbird markings was on exhibit at Cleveland's Armed Services EXPO '75. The exhibit was provided by the Air Force Orientation Group, Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio. (U.S. Air Force Photo by Captain Salvatore J. Giammo)

## Command structure realigned

**WASHINGTON** — Secretary of Defense James R. Schlesinger has announced the reorganization of two Department of Defense (DoD) unified commands.

The change eliminates the Alaskan Command (ALCOM) and the Continental Air Defense Command. It provides for other existing commands to take over responsibility for these areas. Under the new setup, the command responsibilities of the commanders of both the Alaskan Air Command and the Aerospace Defense Command will be measurably increased.

In announcing the changes, Secretary Schlesinger said:

"This reorganization is part of a continuing effort to gain management effectiveness by reducing headquarters and support units and, at the same time, improving command and control

of combat units. Studies of the unified command structure are continuing."

The commander of Alaskan Air Command will be upgraded from a major general to a lieutenant general. His responsibilities will be that of:

- Senior military officer, Alaska; senior Department of Defense representative to the State of Alaska;
- Department of Defense coordinator; and
- Commander Alaskan North American Air Defense Region.

As part of this reorganization, the concept of a joint task force will be stressed. The joint task force concept will be used in contingency plans for natural disasters, emergencies, or hostilities.

The joint task force concept involves the designation of a senior military officer as the commander of the task force. He would report directly through the Joint Chiefs of Staff to the National Command Authority. The contingency plans will emphasize quick augmentation of existing defense forces in Alaska. It also will identify specific Army, Navy, and Air Force units now held in reserve outside of Alaska for rapid deployment to that state in contingencies.

The disestablishment of the Continental Air Defense Command at Colorado Springs, Colo., is another step in the DoD efforts to streamline and consolidate air defense activities.

These changes involve the United States unified command

structure and required the approval of President Gerald R. Ford.

The Aerospace Defense Command at Colorado Springs will now be designated as a specified command. It will take over the responsibilities of the Continental Air Defense Command. The changes will be completed by July 1.

Studies of the unified command structure are continuing. The remaining unified and specified commands are: U.S. European Command at Stuttgart, Germany; U.S. Pacific Command, Honolulu, Hawaii; U.S. Atlantic Command, Norfolk, Va.; U.S. Readiness Command, MacDill Air Force Base, Fla.; U.S. Southern Command, Quarry Heights, Panama Canal Zone; and Strategic Air Command, Offutt AFB, Neb. (AFNS)

## '01st becomes Minutemen

by Technical Sergeant Bob Hopewell

**HANSCOM AFB, Mass.** — Hear ye! Hear ye! In this Bicentennial Year of the United States of America; And, imbued with the philosophies of the American Revolution; We, as members of the Concord Minutemen, Commonwealth of Massachusetts, do proclaim the 3501st United States Air Force Recruiting Group of the Air Training Command to be the 3501st Minutemen."

On behalf of members of the historic Concord Minutemen, Jason Korell read and presented the proclamation to Colonel John O. Hanford, group commander, during ceremonies held here, to officially designate the group the "3501st Minutemen."

The ceremonies were attended by Recruiting Service Commander, Major General B. L. Davis, and some 200 recruiters from three U.S. Air Force recruiting detachments covering Connecticut, Rhode Island, Massachusetts, Maine, New Hampshire and Vermont.

After the proclamation was presented to Col. Hanford, Maj. Gen. Davis presented Honorary Recruiter certificates to the eight Concord Minutemen. The general said, "It is with great pleasure that I, on behalf of the 3501st Recruiting Group and the United States Air Force Recruiting Service, present you

with these certificates and designate you as Honorary Recruiters. We are pleased to count you among our special friends."

After accepting the proclamation Col. Hanford said to the recruiters gathered for the ceremony, "Two centuries ago, almost to the day, our ancestors gathered at the Old North Bridge in Concord and formed our first line of defense."

The Colonel continued, "They were all volunteers, from all walks of life but with one common bond — a willingness to fight and die, if need be, for their freedom and the freedom of this nation. They were the Minutemen of Concord. The actions of these heroic volunteers, so many years ago, gave birth to the proud heritage we bear. Your mission, although different, is just as vital to our nation's freedom as was the mission of those men with musket and ball."

"You men and women in blue who wear the badge of recruiting over your right breast can be proud of the part you play in keeping this great nation strong. You, too, are Minutemen," concluded Col. Hanford.

Then at the group's headquarters, Mr. Korell and Maj. Gen. Davis unveiled the group's Minuteman Shield, mounted on the wall by the main entrance to the headquarters.



**MAJOR GENERAL B. L. Davis**, commander, U.S. Air Force Recruiting Service and Jason Korell unveil the 3501st Recruiting Group's Minuteman Shield, mounted at the main entrance to the group headquarters building. Others observing the ceremony were Group Commander Colonel John O. Hanford, left, and members of the historic Concord Minutemen. (U.S. Air Force Photo by Maj. Guy Brown, II)

## Former academy surgeon endorses AF practice

"I enjoyed my Air Force practice for 30 years. And the benefits — well, I'm enjoying one right now. My retirement income is worth the interest you'd draw if you salted away \$250,000. Only I didn't have to.

It's part of the financial reward you earn as an Air Force physician."

With these words, Dr. Richard S. Fixott, Colonel, U.S. Air Force retired, looked back recently on his years as a physician with the U.S. Air Force Medical Corps.

"I still happen to think," he said, "that doctors become doctors for more reasons than money. Sure money's a big part of becoming a physician — the cost of medical education and setting up a professional practice isn't peanuts.

"Financial reward is important too," the former Air Force flight surgeon continued. "And deserved. But when that's what dictates a 60-hour week, I have to wonder. Let's face it, you can talk about a \$30,000 or \$40,000 year — but your gross is nothing if it isn't \$60,000 — because what you're going to take home is something less than half.

"In other words," he mused, "your overhead runs you 40 per cent — to hire the help, pay the rent, buy the equipment, and like that. So you've got 60 per cent. But that 60 per cent is what you're paying income tax on.

"Another thing an individual has to consider," he continued, "was I never had to carry a half-million dollars worth of insurance to make sure my kids could go to college. The Air Force took care of my money headaches, and more important, the Air Force gave me job satisfaction. When I stretched my time to a 60-hour week, it was because I wanted to — to stretch my experience, not my income."

Reliving some of the more memorable times, Dr. Fixott recalled rather nostalgically, "Man, what a varied experience it was. Like when I was in China during a cholera outbreak, I went to their local hospital and worked with them. I saw how they did acceptable medicine with far less than acceptable equipment. In other words — improvising. I had the same kind of experience in Calcutta, only there it was smallpox."

Dr. Fixott pointed out that physicians entering the Air Force today have a definite advantage over their counterparts who entered when he did. Physicians entering the Air Force are now eligible to receive up to \$13,500 in annual bonus. This could bring the salary of a physician joining the Air Force, on completion of residency training, up to \$32,500 — without overhead. But with normal benefits, it's more than a substantial starting salary.

"In the Air Force," he concluded, "a doctor can find time to do more with his family, in a clinical way, in research, or in pursuing his hobbies."

Dr. Fixott's last assignment prior to retirement was as Command Surgeon, U.S. Air Force Academy.

A 1934 graduate of the University of Oregon and certified in Ophthalmology and Aerospace Medicine, Dr. Fixott is currently practicing in Colorado Springs, Colo., as an ophthalmologist on the staffs of Penrose and Memorial Hospitals. His endorsement of the Air Force as a way of life for physicians will soon be appearing in issues of the American Family Physician, Journal of the American Medical Association, New Physician, Resident and Staff Physician, American Journal of Public Health, Hospital Physician, Scientific American, Black Bag, and the Journal of American Osteopathic Association.

## AF extends the 'blues'

**WASHINGTON** — Air Force officials have extended the wear-out period for men's tropical shade 1084 uniform to June 30, 1976.

This uniform is the all-wool 10½ ounce blue blouse with bellowed side pockets, as opposed to the blouse with only the pocket flaps visible.

This change will be included in a new revision to Air Force Manual 35-10, due out shortly.

## California traffic spotter introduces new recruiter

**SAN BERNARDINO, Calif.** — A newly assigned recruiter in U.S. Air Force Recruiting Detachment 610 was introduced to members of his community from several thousand feet above the ground.

Staff Sergeant Louis Pillich, Air Force representative for the Indio and Palm Springs, Calif., area, flew with Radio Station

KCHV's "Freeway Watch" pilot Bob "Red Baron" Osterberg.

During the 45 minute flight, SSgt. Pillich introduced himself to early morning listeners, and invited them to stop by his office for information about an Air Force career.

Afterward he participated in the station's "Breakfast Table," an interview show featuring

prominent members of the Indio and Palm Springs communities. During the program, he discussed the Community College of the Air Force, and elaborated on Air Force career opportunities.

Det. 610's nurse coordinator, Captain Sharon Moses was introduced to KCHV listeners during a similar flight and breakfast show the next week.



**GETTING A BIRD'S-EYE** view of his zone, is Staff Sergeant Louis Pillich, a U.S. Air Force Recruiting Detachment 610, recruiter. Newly assigned to the Indio, Palm Springs, Calif., area, he flew with Radio Station KCHV "Freeway Watch" pilot Bob Osterberg, and was introduced to members of the communities on the air. (U.S. Air Force Photo by Master Sergeant Don Kearton)





**MEN OF THE** Air Force, Army, Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard form a joint Armed Forces Color Guard on the steps of the United States Capitol Building, Washington D.C. (Department of Defense Photo)

## Air Force— the youngest military service

Two centuries ago, a war was fought to secure individual liberty and representative government for the Colonists—a heritage which has since had a profound influence throughout the world.

The ideals of the American people remain constant as the Nation approaches its bicentennial anniversary. Only the mode of protecting these precious freedoms has changed.

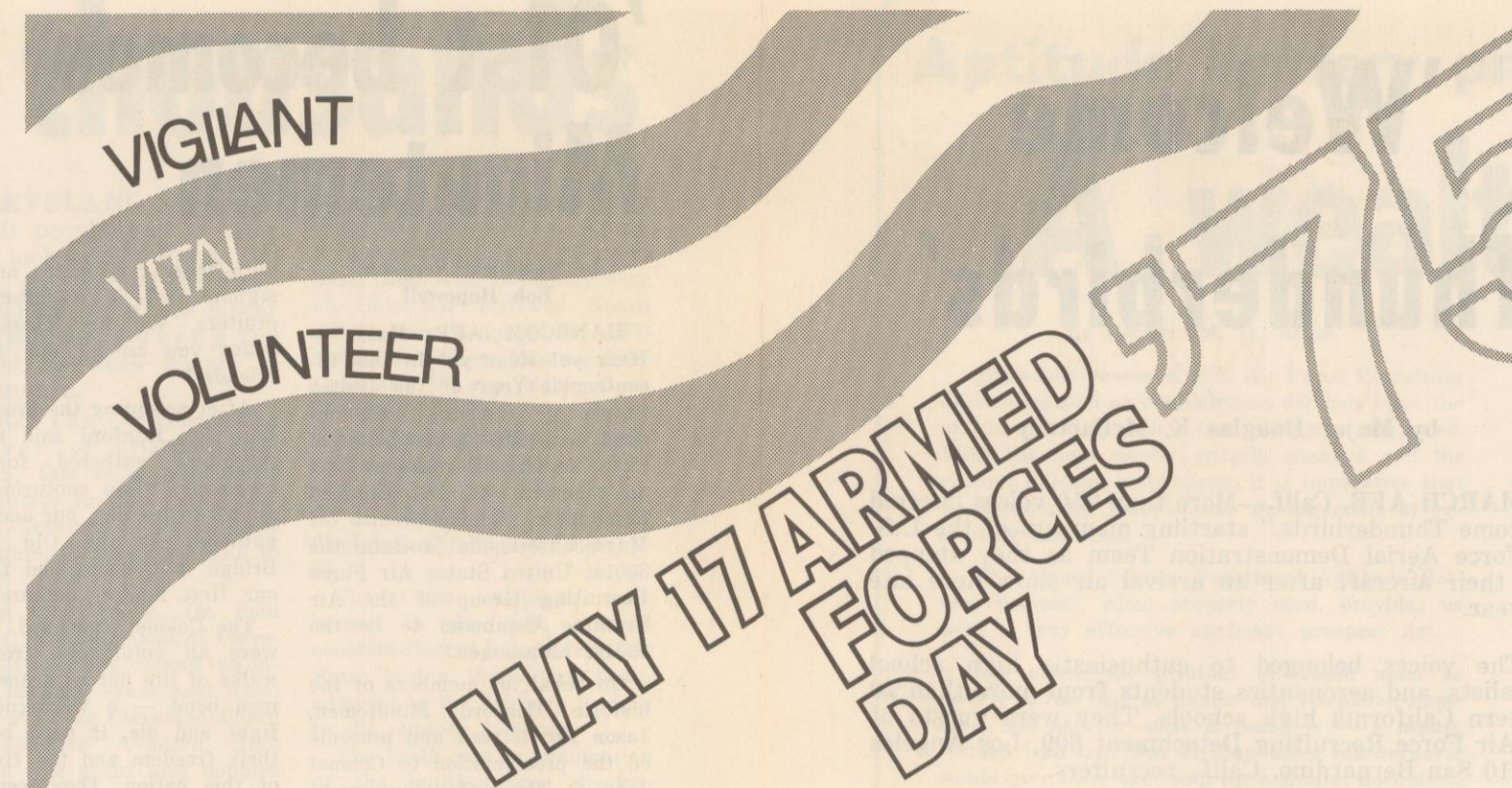
Because of this change, America's youngest Military Service, the U.S. Air Force, has increasingly become one of its most vital defense forces.

The Air Force cannot trace its beginnings to our musket-carrying and seagoing forefathers as can the other Military Services. But, in a world where air superiority is often a deciding factor in a conflict, the Air Force joins the other Services in supporting U.S. national objectives.

Since it was first established under the National Security Act of 1947, the Air Force has been charged with primary responsibility for the country's offensive and defensive air operations. It has continued to successfully accomplish this mission despite a rapidly changing international situation and, more recently, severe cut-backs in resources.

As America works for world peace through negotiations, the Air Force's role is to deter aggression and help insure our Nation's security.

Today's Air Force is working hard to achieve more efficient use and conservation of resources both in current operations and within the modernization program. It is committed to aggressive resource management, the continued success of the all volunteer force, maintaining adequate forces in being, and providing necessary options for future deterrence. The challenge is to maintain a modern and ready Air Force, prepared to go when called upon, with people qualified and trained to do their jobs effectively. The Air Force will continue to meet this challenge as a vigilant, vital, and volunteer force.



## United we stand

Freedom and independence were the goals this country fought for nearly 200 years ago. Since then, Americans in uniform have played an important part in protecting that cherished heritage.

In recognition of this, President Harry S. Truman established the first Armed Forces Day in February 1950. He proclaimed that it should be a time to "display the flag . . . and participate in exercises expressive of our recognition of the skill, gallantry, and uncompromising devotion to duty characteristic of the Armed Forces in the carrying out of their missions."

Armed Forces Day is observed on the third Saturday of every May. It is a tribute to people in uniform who defend America's freedom with a tradition of military service that dates back even before the birth of the Republic.

Although the first American Armed Forces were not created until the advent of the American Revolution, they were wrought from the American experience beginning with the Jamestown settlement in 1607.

Each colony had its own militia, based on the premise that every able-bodied man between the

ages of 16 and 60 should render military service.

The Armed Forces were officially established until after the Revolution began. The Continental Congress established the Army June 14, 1775; the Navy Oct. 13, 1775; and the Marine Corps Nov. 10, 1775.

Congress formalized the organization of these forces still further following adoption of the U.S. Constitution and the structuring of the Federal Government.

But, it was not until the aftermath of another war 172 years later that the Air Force was established under the National Security Act of 1947. It was joined with the Army and Navy at that time as part of the National Military Establishment, later renamed the U.S. Department of Defense.

In 1950, that unification was marked by a combined observance of Armed Forces Day by all services. Since that time, annual observances have continued to demonstrate unity and common purpose of the Armed Forces' role in fulfilling national security objectives at home and abroad.

Today, Armed Forces Day has a dual purpose. It not only honors the military forces, but through open houses and public speaking engagements, it gives those forces an opportunity to report their status to the Nation.

It provides the perfect occasion to display to the American people how the Armed Forces serve as a bulwark of freedom as the country strives for lasting world peace and how, by doing their jobs, people in uniform exemplify the spirit, courage, and patriotism that have made America great.

Armed Forces Day 1975 holds a special significance in that it is the 25th annual observance, as well as the official kickoff date for Department of Defense participation in the Nation's Bicentennial celebration.

This year's theme of "Vigilant, Vital, and Volunteer," with emphasis on vital, befits today's military services as aptly as it did our fighting forefathers.

The message to the Nation will be that the Armed Forces of 1975 are as vital in guaranteeing our national independence and personal freedom as were the musket-carrying militia of 1775.



**MEMBERS OF THE ARMED** Forces Police Detachment, Washington D.C., discuss patrol duties. They are, from left, Marine Corps Corporal James R. Crapes, Air Force Airman First Class Altheria Watkins, and Army Staff Sergeant John E. Potts. (Department of Defense Photo)



**STRAPPING INTO** an F-15 "Eagle" fighter under the watchful eye of his crew chief, Staff Sergeant Henry T. Burggeman, at Luke Air Force Base, Ariz., is Captain Jerry L. Hanchey.

## Recruiters join celebration

Air Force recruiters across the nation will be joining with thousands of other Americans to celebrate Armed Forces Day on May 17. Unlike most people, many recruiters will be on the program instead of just watching.

A total of 143 recruiter sponsored events are scheduled, including 52 speeches, 46 displays, and 3 recruiting office open houses.

In addition, recruiters are participating in many on-base celebrations and in other events such as Air Force Orientation Group exhibits and band concerts.

The 3504th U.S. Air Force Recruiting Group led

all groups with 83 Armed Forces Day activities planned.

Most recruiting events during Armed Forces Week are taking place in areas where bases are not located which helps bring the Air Force into the public view.

## Presidential proclamation

For nearly two hundred years, in times of war and peace, the Armed Forces of the United States have served the Nation with courage and devotion. In this country, and throughout the world, those who wear the uniforms of the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps and Coast Guard are respected for their patriotic service.

It is fitting and proper that we set aside one day each year to pay tribute to these men and women.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GERALD R. FORD, President of the United States of America and Commander in Chief of the Armed Forces of the United States, continuing the precedent of my five immediate predecessors in this Office, do hereby proclaim the third Saturday of each May as Armed Forces Day.

I direct the Secretary of Defense on behalf of the Army, the Navy, the Air Force, and the Marine Corps, and the Secretary of Transportation on behalf of the Coast Guard, to plan for appropriate observances each year, with the Secretary of Defense responsible for soliciting the participation and cooperation of civil authorities and private citizens.

I invite the Governors of the States, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, and other areas subject to the jurisdiction of the United States, to provide for the ob-

servance of Armed Forces Day within their jurisdiction each year in an appropriate manner designed to enhance public understanding and appreciation of the Armed Forces of the United States.

I also invite national and local veterans, civic and other organizations to provide for the observance of Armed Forces Day each year.

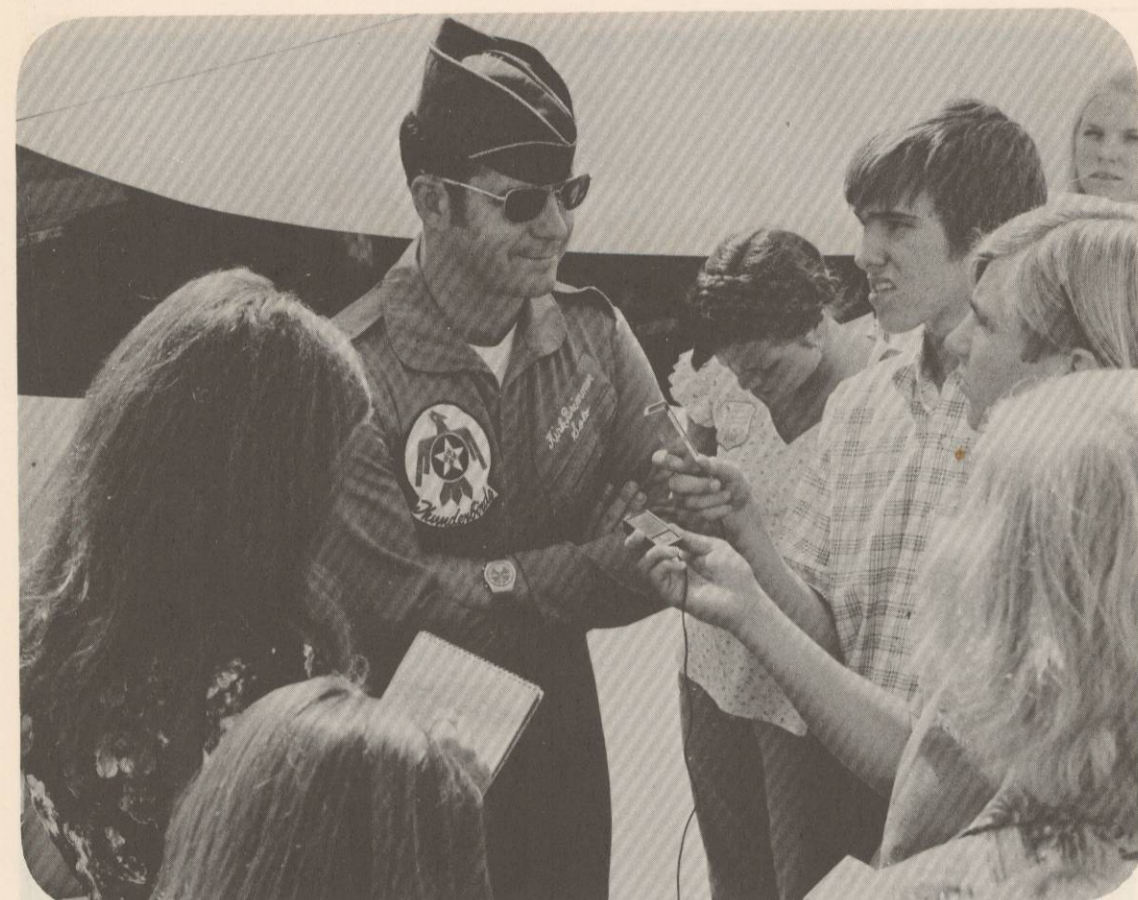
I call upon my fellow Americans not only to display proudly the flag of the United States at their homes on Armed Forces Day, but also to avail themselves of the opportunity to further their knowledge of our Defense Establishment and of the men and women who constitute our real national strength, by attending and participating in the local observances of the day.

Proclamation No. 4276 of March 21, 1974, is hereby superseded.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this twenty-fifth day of March in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred seventy-five, and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred ninety-ninth.

*Gerald R. Ford*





**HIGH SCHOOL** and professional journalists take pictures, tape interviews and scribble notes during a plane-side interview with The Thunderbirds. Last year's solo pilot Captain Kirk Brimmer fields their questions.



**DRAGSTERS GOT** as much attention as the C-9A Nightingale model as a group of student nurses hosted by U.S. Air Force Recruiting Detachment 610 tour static displays in the hanger and on the flightline at the recent March Air Force Base Open House.

**U.S. Air Force**  
**Photos by Technical**  
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**Bill Bogda**

**LISTENING INTENTLY** during a tour of the U.S. Air Force Hospital, March Air Force Base, Calif., nurse students and counsellors from Southern California had a thorough look at all aspects of the hospital. Afterwards they lunched with members of the U.S. Air Force Aerial Demonstration Team, The Thunderbirds, and viewed their performance.



## 'Welcome Thunderbirds'

by Major Douglas K. McCartney

**MARCH AFB, Calif.**—More than 250 voices cheered "Welcome Thunderbirds," startling members of the U.S. Air Force Aerial Demonstration Team as they stepped from their aircraft after an arrival air show here late last year.

The voices belonged to enthusiastic high school journalists, and aeronautics students from more than 30 Southern California high schools. They were guests of U.S. Air Force Recruiting Detachment 609, Los Angeles and 610 San Bernardino, Calif., recruiters.

They had accepted invitations to watch the arrival airshow, and interview and photograph the Thunderbirds at their aircraft.

Recruiters contacted high school newspapers, journalism and aviation departments in their zones several months before, and invited classmembers to attend the arrival show, held the day before the base open house. Invitations stressed that the students could interview the pilots and crew, along with the regular press, then use the stories for school newspapers or class assignments.

Response was good, and some recruiters escorted students from as far away as San Diego, a two hour drive, according to detachment officials.

Invitations included a special identification pass, so security police at the base gate could direct the guests to the base community center, where parking and refreshments were available. From there, buses took them onto the flightline to special seats a short distance from where the aircraft would park.

The Thunderbirds gave the group all the time necessary to fill the many requests for taped interviews, photographs, and special questions.

The day was a tremendous success, according to recruiters. Many articles and pictures appeared in school newspapers, usually mentioning the host recruiter. Most important, it put recruiters in close touch with the high school newspaper staffs and many educators at the schools.

The next day, detachment recruiters arranged for a group of nursing students and centers of influence, to receive a triple treat during the March Air Force Base, Open House.

The group arrived at the base from as far away as 100 miles. They toured the U.S. Air Force Hospital here, had lunch with some of The Thunderbirds, and viewed their flying demonstration from the VIP seating.

"Everyone was impressed and enthusiastic by the end of the day," said Captain Shari Moses, Det. 610 nurse coordinator.

## Aptitude battery printouts

by CMSgt. M. H. Rison

The effectiveness of U.S. Air Force Recruiting Service mission accomplishment depends upon the efficiency with which our resources are used. With the new mental criteria changes and the current mileage restrictions, it is imperative that we thoroughly analyze our management of recruiting activities.

The Armed Service Vocational Aptitude Battery printout, when properly used, provides us with a very effective applicant prospect list.

Too often, the printout is looked upon as merely a raw list of names and telephone numbers, and not for what it really is — a highly refined lead list. Our civilian sales counterparts would give their eye teeth for a similar document, and as a matter of fact, in civilian sales circles these types of prospects are usually referred to as "gold leads."

Let's imagine for a moment that we are actually in business for ourselves and we must plan and budget not only our time and efforts, but also pay all related recruiting expenses such as applicant travel, office rent, advertising, etc. Additionally, all of our profits are realized totally from commissions for "quality enlistments." If our effectiveness was measured by our profit margin, would we chance paying the processing bills for an 8th grade dropout, or for that matter, any other applicant that we were not reasonably sure would qualify? I doubt it!

A recruiter who fully understands how to use the ASVAB list can break it down to several meaningful categories.

When the ASVAB roster is received it should be refined into two basic categories, mentally qualified and unqualified. Next, establish a prior-

ity for refining those mentally qualified. One of the most important portions of the ASVAB printout is the section which indicates the student's future plans. This section alone will almost set priorities; for example, the student that indicates an interest in the military service naturally becomes a prime target and should be number one priority. The "undecided" students who have qualifying scores can be considered as highly valid prospects, and placed in priority two. Students that indicate vocational training should be listed in category three. Every student can be listed in a priority, but what's important is that priorities are worked with the intent to enlist them in the Air Force, and not just to refine or annotate high school folders.

The ASVAB printout is merely a list of student's names and telephone numbers until time is taken to use it in the manner similar to what is described above. When used properly, the ASVAB printouts can be one of the most valuable referral prospecting lists available to the recruiter-salesman.

There are some general rules that everyone should know about to keep the ASVAB program running smoothly in the schools and to get the maximum number of enlistments from the printouts.

First, ASVAB is presented to high schools as a professional guidance instrument and is not to be used as a recruiting tool during testing by the military. If it weren't done this way fewer schools would test and there would be fewer prospects. ASVAB is certainly a legitimate instrument for guidance but this approach which ensures its integrity, has certain consequences

for the recruiter. Mainly, agreements made between high school officials and the ASVAB test administrator must not be violated. These agreements are printed on the top and bottom of the printout pages and range from "no special instructions," to "no recruiting solicitations from this listing." If any restrictions are violated by a recruiter the tester may have trouble getting back into the school. And if the tester has trouble with a school, the recruiter will, too.

It is Department of Defense policy to keep students in school, so freshmen and sophomores cannot be contacted at all. This helps keep the counselors happy by reassuring them the ASVAB is offered as a guidance tool and not as a means of catching unwary youngsters.

Care must also be exercised to avoid marching into the counselor's office, printout in hand, asking to talk to students before the school has received the ASVAB results. High school counselors are anxious to get the scores to their students and efforts to recruit should not be made before they receive their copy. It's a matter of which has priority: counseling or recruiting. The high school counselor, naturally, puts counseling first.

Rhubarbs can be avoided, too, by careful attention to what the printout reveals. One counselor took the test with his students and a recruiter later telephoned him with a sales talk. The counselor was offended, but the wasted call and loss of good-will could have been avoided if the recruiter had looked at the date-of-birth column on the printout.

The point is to protect the integrity of ASVAB as a counseling tool while at the same time making full use of it as a source of "gold leads."

## Units establish driving records

Two U.S. Air Force recruiting detachments and a sector in a third detachment have established safe driving records.

Poor driving conditions, such as inclement weather, snow, ice and heavy fog has not hampered the safety efforts of U.S. Air Force Recruiting Detachment 707.

The units' more than 50 drivers were recently recognized for more than one million miles of safe driving.

Noting that much of this million miles was driven under extreme winter weather conditions of the upper Great Lakes region, Captain Daniel J. Landis, detachment safety officer, gave

much of the credit to an active safety campaign.

The million mile mark is shared by yet another detachment. Det. 307, Raleigh, N.C. also recognizes the million-mile plaque for the second time recently. Their last reportable accident was nearly two years ago and this detachment is rapidly approaching the two-million accident free milestone.

Det. 302's sector B has driven 500,000 accident free miles. Technical Sergeant Larry T. Smith, recruiter-tester from Tallahassee, Fla., contributes to their record by driving more than two-thousand accident free miles per month and won last year's U.S. Air Force Safe Driver Award.

## Reading examination of trainees underway

A 90 day test program to determine the reading ability of Air Force enlistees is underway at Lackland Air Force Base and Air Training Command technical training centers.

The California Achievement Test is being administered to 35% of all recruits entering basic military training and to all technical training eliminees.

"This reading literacy test program will provide a scientific measure of each individual's ability to read," said Colonel

Donald B. Wren, director of student resources, Hq. Air Force Recruiting Service, here.

"Lessons learned and the data gathered," he continued, "will be used by Hq. USAF officials to evaluate reading problems in the Air Force and help determine whether changes need to be made in technical training courses."

The test program, directed by Hq. USAF, will end June 28, 1975.

## Orville wants you

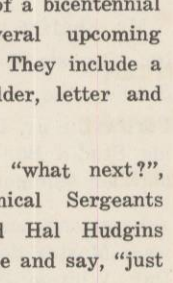
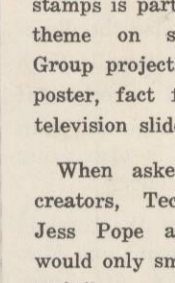
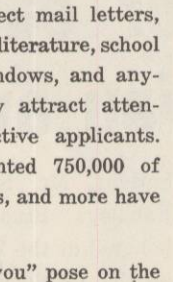
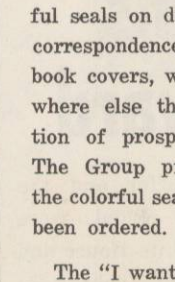
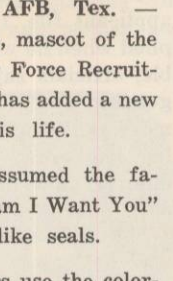
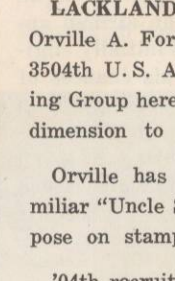
**LACKLAND AFB, Tex.** — Orville A. Force, mascot of the 3504th U.S. Air Force Recruiting Group here, has added a new dimension to his life.

Orville has assumed the familiar "Uncle Sam I Want You" pose on stamp-like seals.

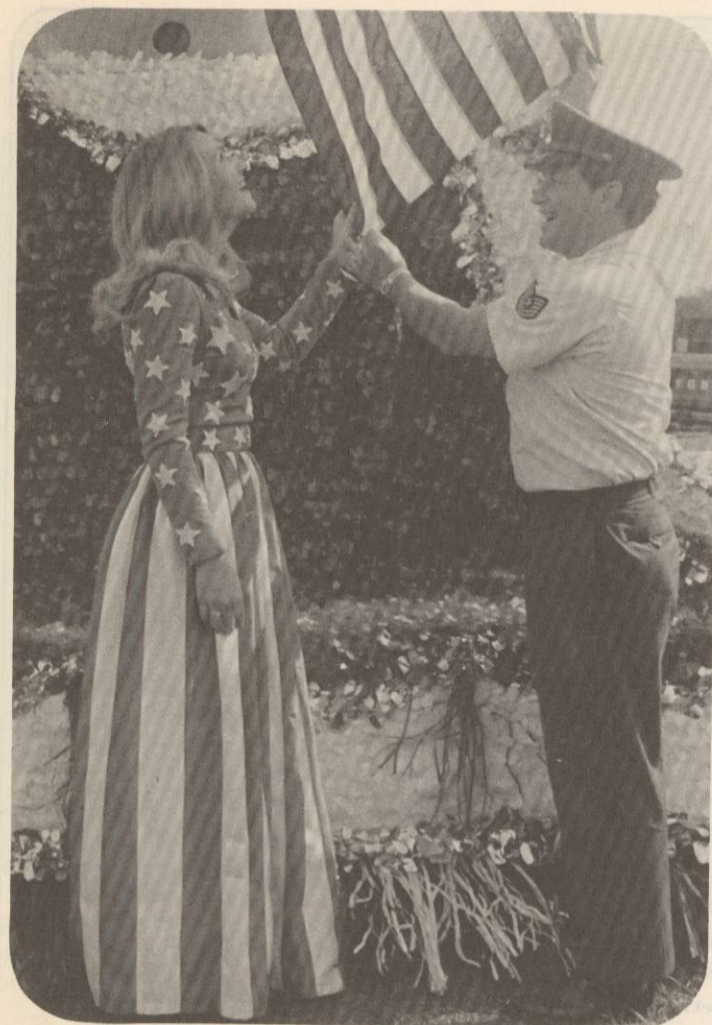
'04th recruiters use the colorful seals on direct mail letters, correspondence, literature, school book covers, windows, and anywhere else they attract attention of prospective applicants. The Group printed 750,000 of the colorful seals, and more have been ordered.

The "I want you" pose on the stamps is part of a bicentennial theme on several upcoming Group projects. They include a poster, fact folder, letter and television slide.

When asked "what next?," creators, Technical Sergeants Jess Pope and Hal Hudgins would only smile and say, "just wait."







ASSISTING MISS LAKE County, Sue Lee, prepare a float for a recent parade at Leesburg, Fla., is Technical Sergeant Charles B. Reustle, a U.S. Air Force Recruiting Detachment 303 recruiter. (U.S. Air Force Photo by Technical Sergeant Buddy C. Ward)

## Reenlistment program provides needed people

WASHINGTON — CAREERS, the career airman reenlistment reservation system, is working as intended, say Air Force officials. The statistics for the first nine months of fiscal year 1975 reveal the Air Force is accomplishing its goal of reenlisting the right number of first-term airmen in the skills that match Air Force requirements.

During the first nine months of fiscal year 1975, 14,671 reenlistment quotas were offered to eligible first-term airmen. Of that number, 13,053 airmen applied for and were issued a

career job reservation (CJR) — 89 per cent of Air Force's requirements. Another 1,618 reenlistment quotas are available; however, in many cases an airman will have to retrain to qualify for a CJR in the needed specialties.

Airmen who applied for a CJR in the past nine months have either received a reservation or had their names placed on an applicant file. If an airman applied when he was initially eligible, officials say his chances of getting a CJR were good in most skills. Although the waiting list grows during a given quarter, new quotas are issued each quarter. Those on the list

the longest are given priority for the new quotas.

Officials at the Air Force Military Personnel Center will soon release the new waiting list. Airmen who wish to know their status can check with their base career advisor to find their position on the list and their chance of getting a CJR.

CAREERS offers ample opportunity for a qualified and recommended airman who desires to reenlist. If a quota is not available for an airman's current career field, he can choose from selected fields in which to retrain. A CJR will be issued when the retraining request is approved, officials concluded. (AFNS)

## Band director earns highest civilian award

PORTERVILLE, Calif. — U.S. Air Force Recruiting Service's highest civilian award was presented to a California band director recently at the 68th Annual Porterville Chamber of Commerce banquet.

Colonel James G. Sandman, commander of the 3506th U.S. Air Force Recruiting Group, presented the "Recruiting Service Plaque" to Frank "Buck" Shaffer, director of the Fabulous Studio Band, amid a receptive ovation from more than 400 persons in attendance.

Mr. Shaffer and his band performed annually since 1964 at civilian clubs, noncommissioned officer clubs and officer clubs across the country. With each performance, Mr. Shaffer publicized the Air Force and its opportunities for young people. For their outstanding contri-

butions, Mr. Shaffer and the Fabulous Studio Band were honored at the White House and on the Presidential Yacht.

Mr. Shaffer is also the director of music at Porterville High School, the band director at Porterville Jr. College and with his Studio Band, is organizing another summer tour.

In attendance at the banquet were Master Sergeant and Mrs. Ray Whitney, U.S. Air Force Recruiting Detachment 603 sector supervisor, and MSgt. and Mrs. Talmadge Swanson, Air Force Recruiting representative from Visalia, Calif.

Also present for the award dinner were the mayor and vice-mayor of Porterville and other high ranking city and county officials. The banquet was dedicated to the Armed Forces and the "Spirit of '76."



STEPPING OUT in advance of the U.S. Air Force Academy Drum and Bugle Corps is Master Sergeant Edward R. Furr of U.S. Air Force Recruiting Detachment 303's Orlando Recruiting Office. MSgt. Furr helped arrange the cadet's participation in the Disney World, Fla., parade. (U.S. Air Force photo by Captain Donald L. Toler.)

## CHAMPUS offers money saving tips

WASHINGTON — In a recent appearance before a Senate appropriations subcommittee, Vernon McKenzie, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health and Environment, was asked, "Why is it that while the law contains specific cost-sharing provisions, many Civilian Health and Medical Programs of the Uniformed Services (CHAMPUS) beneficiaries find themselves paying more than the share specified by CHAMPUS?"

Mr. McKenzie responded by saying that when beneficiaries do pay more than the share specified by CHAMPUS, it is because they used a nonparticipating doctor or health care professional. "Beneficiaries do not pay more than the share set forth in the law if they use participating providers of services," he explained.

He also pointed out the need for CHAMPUS beneficiaries to

be aware of what is meant by "participating providers" and what might happen when beneficiaries use nonparticipating providers of services.

CHAMPUS shares the cost of medical services from civilian sources for the spouses and children of active duty, retired, and deceased members of the uniformed services and retired members. To use the program, the beneficiary goes to a civilian physician or other authorized provider of care and identifies himself as a CHAMPUS beneficiary with his ID card. Before obtaining the care he needs, it is important that the beneficiary determine that the provider of care he chooses will participate in CHAMPUS. If he does not, and a nonparticipating provider of care is used, the patient's share of the charges may be higher.

Participation in CHAMPUS means the physician or other health care professional providing the care agrees to accept, as full payment of his claim, the patient's and the government's shares of the reasonable fee as determined by the CHAMPUS paying office. This agreement is made by the provider of care when he signs the statement to that effect on the

claim form and in effect becomes the claimant.

For a provider of care, such as a physician, participation is entirely voluntary. If he declines to participate and the beneficiary still wishes to obtain medical services from him, then the beneficiary will be responsible for any additional amount charged by the provider of care above the amount allowed by CHAMPUS. The beneficiary then may fill out and submit his or her own claim and CHAMPUS will pay the government's share of the reasonable fee for authorized services to the beneficiary.

The "reasonable fee" for a noninstitutional provider of medical care is the lowest of the following:

- The provider's usual and customary charge.
- The prevailing fee charged by the majority of providers for the same service in the same geographical area, or
- The amount paid by the paying office to providers of care under similar circumstances in its non-CHAMPUS medical insurance business.

The beneficiary must realize that if he or she chooses a nonparticipating provider he does so at some risk. (AFNS)

## AF assignment program altered

WASHINGTON — Some changes in overseas assignment selection have been announced by the Air Force. They are effective immediately.

Provisions of the foreign clearance guide that have prevented the assignment of personnel to any country on the basis of race, religion, or ethnic background will no longer be a factor in assignment processing.

Officers and airmen will now be selected and processed on the basis of most eligible for the specified tour/assignment without regard to these factors.

All necessary passport and visa applications for sponsors and dependents will be prepared and submitted for consideration by the appropriate embassy. (AFNS)

## Recruiters greet 'Explo' visitors

DENVER, Colo. — Thousands of high school students poured into the Curran Exhibition Hall here recently for career fair "Explo '75," and were enthusiastically greeted by members of U.S. Air Force Recruiting Detachment 701.

Teamed with personnel from Lowry Air Force Base, detachment recruiters assembled under the public service tent and explained the latest in Air Force training opportunities to the assembled youths.

Assisting area recruiters were members of Lowry's medical and dental clinics, the 1910th Communications Squadron, Precision Measurement Equipment Laboratory and the Electronics Fundamentals Instructional Course.

According to a detachment spokesman, "More than 300 exhibitors were present at the six-day career fair demonstrating and showing Colorado high school youths a wide variety of technical skills and professions to be considered as career possibilities."

Air Force demonstrations in blood pressure taking techniques, sophisticated electronics advancements and proper emergency medical actions proved to be crowd attracters during the week-long exhibition, the spokesman said.

Under the direction of Senior Master Sergeant Don Down, detachment recruiters, working in shifts to continue their normal operations, distributed numerous pieces of Air Force recruiting literature.



A REFURBISHED X-15 model is unveiled by Lieutenant Colonel Gerald E. Teeter, commander, U.S. Air Force Recruiting Detachment 303, Patrick Air Force Base, Fla. The X-15 model and the newly painted advertising and publicity van will be used in parades and exhibitions in Florida. They were refinished by members of the 6549th Consolidated Aircraft Maintenance Squadron and the 6551 Transportation Squadron paint shops, Patrick AFB, respectively.

## ROTC units close

WASHINGTON — Twelve Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps (AFROTC) units will be closed by the spring of 1976.

Officials say low officer production and inability to maintain the minimum enrollment standards made this action necessary.

AFROTC units at the following universities and colleges are being disestablished: Livingston University, Livingston, Ala.; University of Arkansas at Monticello, Monticello, Ark.; The Catholic University of America,

Washington, D.C.; Butler University, Indianapolis, Ind.; University of Detroit, Detroit, Mich.; St. Louis University, St. Louis, Mo.; University of Montana, Missoula, Mont.; The University of Tulsa, Tulsa, Okla.; Williamette University, Salem, Ore.; Duquesne University, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Sul Ross State University, Alpine, Tex.; Southern Utah State College, Cedar City, Utah.

AFROTC advanced course students will be provided an opportunity to complete the pro-

gram prior to withdrawal of the units, or to obtain commissions through other Air Force programs.

The Department of Defense (DoD) requires annual officer production from each ROTC unit be adequate to justify the expense to DoD. Enrollment standards set by DoD indicate that ROTC units offering the full four-year program should enroll 17-20 students in the junior year, while units offering only the last two years of ROTC should enroll 12-15 juniors.

The Air Force works with school officials in a common effort to attain these standards and carefully evaluates the potential of units which fail to attain the minimum enrollments. (AFNS)

## Sergeant Adkins picked as best in New Mexico

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. — A member of the U.S. Air Force is Albuquerque, New Mexico's Military Recruiter of the Year for 1974.

Technical Sergeant Don L. Adkins, a U.S. Air Force Recruiting Detachment 402 recruiter, was honored by the Albuquerque Chamber of Commerce with a citizenship plaque and an all-expense-paid weekend in Las Vegas.

TSgt. Adkins was selected by the Chamber's Military Affairs Committee, from nominations submitted by all services. Selection was based on recruiting productivity, and community involvement.

The Sergeant attained 188 per cent of his goal for non-prior servicemen (NPS) and 1,500 per cent of his goal for women

in the last fiscal year. He also achieved 200 per cent of his officer goal. So far this fiscal year, Sergeant Adkins has achieved 158 per cent of his NPS men goal.

Active during his spare time in many community events, TSgt. Adkins participates in such activities as the Annual Twenty-Mile March of Dimes, the Jerry Lewis Telethon for Muscular Dystrophy, the Little League, and as a judge at the Junior Miss Pageant. He is a member of the Albuquerque Jaycees and has spent many hours working with Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps and Civil Air Patrol units in Albuquerque.

Typical of his assistance to high school groups is when he allowed a school band to use his garage as a collection point for a fund raising paper drive.

But community involvement is not solely TSgt. Adkin's doing. His wife, Donna, has set up a Brownie unit for the Girl Scouts and has worked in various school and Jaycee Wives Club programs.



THE ALBUQUERQUE, N.M., Military Recruiter of the Year for 1974, Technical Sergeant Don L. Adkins, and his wife Donna, admire the plaque presented the sergeant by the Albuquerque Chamber of Commerce. TSgt. Adkins is a member of U.S. Air Force Recruiting Detachment 402. (Albuquerque Journal Photo)

## '75 proclaimed 'Women's Year'

WASHINGTON — Secretary of Defense James R. Schlesinger has announced objectives for recognizing military and civilian women of the Department of Defense (DoD) during 1975.

This year was proclaimed as International Women's Year by the United Nations General Assembly in December 1972 and was underscored by President Gerald R. Ford with the creation of a National Commission Jan. 9, 1975.

Secretary Schlesinger said DoD will support the following objectives in its observance of the International Women's Year:

• To continue striving to provide to men and women an

equal opportunity for patriotic service in the all volunteer military forces of the United States, and in the civilian rolls of the Department of Defense.

• To encourage recognition of the concept that the common defense is a common and equal responsibility of all citizens, and through innovative and aggressive initiatives, encourage the active role of women in the mission of the Department of Defense.

• To acknowledge and emphasize the sacrifices of women in building the American nation, and recognize the accomplishments of women in the Department of Defense. (AFNS)

## 'Almanacs' to be sent nationwide

Each U.S. Air Force Recruiting office, detachment and group will receive one copy of the May issue of the Air Force Magazine, which contains the annual "Air Force Almanac." A copy will also be provided to each Armed Forces Examining and Entrance Station Air Force liaison office.

The almanac contains information about every major command and by-lined articles by the Secretary and Chief of Staff of the Air Force.

The location of Air Force installations throughout the world, personnel strengths and manpower trends, minority representation and distribution of personnel by command will also be featured this year.

The almanac also contains names of Air Force Medal of Honor winners, air aces and a gallery of all aircraft flown.

Recruiting Service is obtaining 1,200 of the magazines to help recruiters answer questions of prospective applicants.



## 'Inner packs' available

Air Force recruiters can now order literature in smaller quantities.

The Requisition Distribution System ordering procedure has been expanded to allow recruiters to order portions of cartons — "inner packs" — as well as full cartons of literature, according to U.S. Air Force Recruiting Service Directorate of Advertising officials.

"For example," explained R. L. Allen, chief of the procurement and production branch, "the Thank You Note, project

GS 74-41, is packed 1,500 to a carton. Cartons contain 15 packages of 100 notes each.

Recruiters can now order this project in multiples of 100 instead of 1,500," he said.

Mr. Allen cautioned however, that requisition forms must show the number of pieces requested not the number of packages or cartons.

"If a recruiter needs 500 notes, he would enter 500 on Air Force form 124, not five," he concluded.

## Practitioners end training

SHEPPARD AFB, Tex. —

The first class of students in the Primary Care Nurse Practitioner program at the School of Health Care Sciences recently graduated. Nineteen nurses completed Phase I of the program which began in October 1974.

The course prepares selected Air Force nurses to provide primary care to Air Force people and their dependents. This extended service has been initiated to improve both quality and availability of health care.

These nurses have been prepared to take medical histories, perform physical examinations, order appropriate diagnostic and therapeutic procedures, interpret medical findings and provide comprehensive care within

the limits of their competence.

During the 24 weeks of Phase I at Sheppard the nurses studied anatomy, physiology, clinical laboratory procedures, microbiology, biochemistry, radiology, physical examinations, electrocardiogram, clinical medicine and surgery, and patient evaluation.

Phase II will be conducted during a 24-week tour at various selected Air Force hospitals. This will provide for the clinical application and correlation of the subjects taught in Phase I. Students will be assigned to a series of clinical rotations with special emphasis on out-patient medicine.

(Reprinted from the Sheppard Senator).

## Skill levels mandatory for October promotions

WASHINGTON — Airmen eligible in the fiscal year 1976B4 (October 1975) promotion cycle to sergeant must have an awarded primary Air Force specialty code (PAFSC) at either the 5-skill level or 3-skill level, Air Force Military Personnel Center (AFMPC) officials have announced.

Officials explained that airmen must have obtained their skill level on or before the first

day of the month preceding the month in which the promotion will be effective. As an example, an airman being promoted Oct. 1, 1975, must have received his appropriate skill by Sept. 1, 1975.

This change is made to promote personnel who have demonstrated their abilities and promotion potential, MPC officials observed. (AFNS)

## 28 sector supervisors complete special three-week orientation

LACKLAND AFB, Tex. — Twenty-eight sector supervisors, or those about to become one, were recently graduated from the three-week special supervisory course conducted here.

Designed to permit an exchange of ideas and information, the course curriculum includes sale management, training and promotion. According to course officials, it is valuable to both new supervisors and those selected for the duty.

Course graduates were Master Sergeant John E. Parslow, U.S. Air Force Recruiting De-

tachment 102; Technical Sergeant John I. Giles, honor graduate, Det. 103; MSgt. Charles H. Jones, Det. 106; MSgt. Frank R. Luchart, Det. 109; MSgt. Edward F. Carson, Det. 206; MSgt. Ronald D. Kries, Det. 208; MSgt. Ody A. Dickey, Det. 210; MSgt. Frederick Tortorici, Det. 215; MSgt. Bobby T. Kent, Det. 310; Senior Master Sergeant David C. Reed and MSgt. Charles F. Council, Det. 303; and MSgt. Thurman H. Hester, Det. 304.

Other graduates included TSgt. Arthur T. Lindley, 3504th U.S. Air Force Recruiting Group



BEFORE SPEAKING to students attending the U.S. Air Force recruiter course, Lackland Air Force Base, Tex., Major General B. L. Davis, Recruiting Service commander, is greeted by Staff Sergeant Richard E. Ray, a class member. SSgt. Ray is now assigned to U.S. Air Force Recruiting Detachment 703. Making the introduction is Master Sergeant Major Shelley, instructor supervisor with the Department of Recruiting and Instructor Training, School of Applied Aerospace Science.

## 42 recruiter-salesmen head for assignments

LACKLAND AFB, Tex. — Forty-two new recruiters, including two reservists, have been assigned after completing recruiting school here recently.

Honor graduates for the eight-week course were Master Sergeants John M. Stroud, U.S. Air Force Recruiting Detachment 706, and Paul F. Butler, Det. 514; Staff Sergeants Jerry L. Stehman, 3506th U.S. Air Force Recruiting Group (USAFRG); Richard W. Arambula, Det. 608; and Richard C. Eymann, Det. 408.

The 3501st USAFRG is gaining five new recruiters. They are Staff Sergeants Raymond Saccoccio Jr., Det. 110; Stephen A. White and Robert L. Maggard Jr., Det. 104; Larry L. Russell and Jon K. Stather, Det. 106.

Reporting to the 3502nd USAFRG are: SSgt. William R. Rayne, Det. 206; TSgt. Robert C. Johnson, Leslie C. Van Horn and SSgt. James A. Whitehall, Det. 209; TSgt. James A. Fields

and SSgts. Wilbert S. Talton and Jesse F. Marsh, Det. 210.

Newly assigned to the 3503rd USAFRG are: SSgt. Daniel Webster, group headquarters; SSgt. Dale H. Anderson, Det. 304; and TSgt. Richard J. Dean, Det. 307.

Seven members of the 3504th USAFRG are: TSgt. David P. Roberts, Det. 404; SSgt. Ronald M. Carothers and Edgar G. McKenzie, Det. 406; TSgt. Robert J. Cain and SSgt. Larry G. Martinez, Det. 408; MSgt. Jerry L. Brown and TSgt. Tommy D. Herron, Det. 409.

Recruiters assigned to the 3505th USAFRG are: TSgt.

Merril K. Craddock, Richard D. Benton and Ronald F. Zukoski, Det. 500; SSgt. Davis W. McCutcheon, Det. 513 and TSgt. Leonard J. Dantzer, Det. 514.

Going to the 3506th USAFRG are: MSgt. Paul E. H. King, Det. 603; and TSgt. James R. Davis, Det. 608.

New recruiters in the 3507th USAFRG are: TSgt. Donald L. Cassidy and Sgt. Tyler T. Turner, Det. 702; SSgt. Richard E. Ray, Det. 703; SSgts. Roger C. Blair, Thomas M. Schroeder and Manuel A. Torres, Det. 704.

The two Reserve recruiters are: TSgt. John T. Powers and SSgt. Charles E. Johnston.

## B-1 makes sixth flight, breaks 'sound barrier'

EDWARDS AFB, Calif. — The Air Force's new B-1 bomber flew faster than the speed of sound for the first time April 10 during its sixth flight test mission.

During the 6 hour and 23 minute flight, the B-1 took aboard fuel from an Air Force KC-135 tanker. Other tests included the checkout and operation of a newly-installed flutter excitation (flex) system and first operation of the aircraft's weapons bay doors. Takeoff gross weight was 320,000 pounds.

After takeoff from Edwards Air Force Base, the B-1 crew retracted the landing gear, flaps and slats, and swept the aircraft's wings from 15 to 25 degrees during a climb to 20,000 feet. Following engine afterburner tests, the aircraft joined with a KC-135 tanker for an aerial refueling evaluation.

These tests included an assessment of flying qualities while in refueling formation, numerous tanker hookups and the transfer of fuel.

Following these tests, the B-1 accelerated to 1.05 Mach (approximately 672 miles per hour) for its first supersonic flight.

The aircraft then descended to 25,000 feet for additional engine afterburner tests. The crew then repositioned the wings for a descent to 10,000 feet and additional low-speed flying qualities tests. The aircraft then returned to Edwards.

Crewmembers for the flight included Air Force Colonel Ted Sturmthal, pilot; Rockwell International's Charlie Bock, instructor pilot; and Dick Abrams, Rockwell flight test engineer.

The B-1 flew for the first time Dec. 23, 1974, and it has completed 19 hours and 32 minutes of flight testing. (AFNS)

## Awards go to 10 across country

Awards were presented to ten members of U.S. Air Force Recruiting Service at various locations throughout the country recently.

The highest, a Bronze Star Medal, went to Technical Sergeant Thomas G. Ewing, of U.S. Air Force Recruiting Detachment 210. The medal was presented by Major General B. L. Davis, Recruiting Service commander, during a visit to the detachment area.

The sergeant was cited as a flight commander with the 43rd Security Police Squadron, Anderson Air Force Base, Guam, for his effective supervision and coordination of security police operations in direct support of Strategic Air Command's bomber and tanker missions.

The Meritorious Service Medal was awarded to Chief Master Sergeant Kenneth R. Schmitt, assigned to the Directorate of Recruiting Operations here by Maj. Gen. Davis, during retirement ceremonies here.

Eight Air Force Commendation Medals have also been presented. TSgt. Frederick E. Gyke and Staff Sergeant Robert E. Weller Jr., both of Det. 208 received a Commendation Medal.

## Recruiters help local fire depts.

DENVER, Colo. — A U.S. Air Force Recruiting Detachment 701 recruiter at Boulder, Colo., assisted two fire department chiefs of Ward and Nederland, Colo., in their training efforts.

Technical Sergeant Pat Archuleta heard of the plight of the two small mountain communities, Northwest of here, and went to their aid to arrange a program to assist the fire chiefs in their training at Lowry Air Force Base near here.

With the help of the Lowry AFB Fire Department, Chiefs Chuck Foy of Nederland and Norm Boyers of Ward completed a course in subjects ranging from fire prevention to fire fighting.

## AF education not just for high school students

IDAHO FALLS, Idaho — Two married couples, all school teachers here, recently discovered educational opportunities offered by the U.S. Air Force are not just for high school students.

"What makes it unusual, said Technical Sergeant Gene Ryman, U.S. Air Force Recruiting Detachment 608, "is the fact that the first couple convinced the second couple to enlist."

Mr. and Mrs. Robert McIntire enlisted for training in personnel administration and Mr. and Mrs. Michael J. Sheeley are scheduled to enter active duty this month in electronic communications and cryptographic equipment repair.

It was the second award of the medal to TSgt. Gyke and was presented by Captain George C. Wallace, detachment operations officer, at the Wilkes-Barre, Pa., recruiting office. SSgt. Weller received his award at McGuire Air Force Base, N.J.

Three members of Det. 210 also earned the award. They are TSgt. Gary L. Seeley, and SSgts. Gene M. Pisaneschi and Carter L. Ransom. The medals were presented by Maj. Gen. Davis during a visit to the detachment.

## 17 in Recruiting selected for chief

Seventeen U.S. Air Force Recruiting Service senior master sergeants have been selected for promotion to the highest enlisted grade.

Representing more than 21 per cent of those eligible in Recruiting Service, new chief master sergeant selectees are Hobart Allen, U.S. Air Force Recruiting Detachment 601; Robert G. Bryant and William R. Clark, Det. 311; David E. Craig, 3503rd U.S. Air Force Recruiting Group (USAFRG); John Donato, Det. 102; Hershel F. Finney, Det. 502; and Chauncey M. Green, Det. 301.

## Air Force recognizes science fair winners

ST. MARYS, Penn. — A U.S. Air Force Recruiting Detachment 210 representative at Warren, Penn., presented seven Air Force certificates of accomplishment to the winners in the Allegheny Mountain Regional Science Fair here.

Technical Sergeant Tom Ewing presented the awards to the high school students winning in the following Scientific Research categories: Chemistry, Earth and Space Science, Engineering, Zoology, Medicine and Health, Behavioral and Social

A Fourth Air Force Commendation medal was presented to Master Sergeant Jay Barber, a member of Det. 307. He also received his award from Maj. Gen. Davis.

TSgts. Pedro Chavez and Donald V. Johnson, assigned to Det. 606, received the medal for the second time. TSgt. Chavez received his award during ceremonies at Alameda, Calif., and TSgt. Johnson's award was presented at Sacramento, Calif., by Maj. Gen. Davis.

Also selected to don new chief master chevrons are Ellis E. Harbin, Det. 706; Robert M. Howell, Det. 408; Oyd W. Johnson, 3504th USAFRG; Krijn Maclean, 3506th USAFRG; Kenneth I. Red Elk, 3505th USAFRG; James O. Rogers, Det. 409; and Taylor W. Wallace, Det. 210.

Three Headquarters personnel were also selected. They are SMSgt. Wendell L. Lacy and James M. N. Rihn, Directorate of Recruiting Operations, and Dewey L. Pittman, Directorate of Student Resources.

Science, and Botany.

While at the fair, TSgt. Ewing spoke with many of the nearly 500 students present about Air Force career opportunities.

Each year, as in the past 18 years, the Air Force honors outstanding high school exhibitors in categories of scientific research. The students are also acquainted with the Air Force's need for intelligent young high school graduates to maintain our technologically advanced aircraft, missiles and associated equipment.

## Claimants may find payments delayed

Air Force recruiters and other Air Training Command (ATC) personnel having various government claims may experience slight delays in receiving payment. There is a shortage of monies that have been appropriated by Congress for the Air Force's fiscal year 1975 claims funds.

The basic claims affected are those paid for household goods that are damaged, lost or destroyed while being shipped at government expense.

## Here 'n there in Recruiting

### Controller honored

Airman First Class Sam Trevino, 20, has been named the Accession Control Center's Controller of the Month, for the second time this year. The Corpus Christi, Tex., resident is a personnel specialist who entered the Air Force in April 1974.

### 5,000 view exhibit

U.S. Air Force Recruiting Detachment 514 played host to nearly 5,000 people with an exhibit featuring vocational training programs available in the Air Force, at the Convention Center in Cincinnati, Oh., recently. The three day display at the American Industrial Arts Convention was manned by recruiters from the detachment's Cincinnati office. Technical Sergeant Fredrick L. Ward, Master Sergeant Donnie J. Raines, Staff Sergeant Ronald A. Ryan and Master Sergeant Joseph Wells, detachment advertising and publicity noncommissioned officer were available to answer questions from students attending the affair.

### New lieutenant colonel

Lieutenant Colonel Diane Ordes, chief of the educational affairs division, Directorate of Advertising here, was promoted to her present rank and awarded the Meritorious Service Medal in ceremonies recently.

### Permanent majors

Three reserve majors, all nurses, have been selected for promotion to permanent major. They are Joyce E. Carlson, who was assigned to U.S. Air Force Recruiting Detachment 506 this month, Sara F. List, Det. 603, and Roslyn F. Wilson, Det. 513. No insignia change occurs. All Recruiting Service officers considered by the board were selected.

### New detachment

Captain J. J. Mannion, of the educational affairs division, Directorate of Advertising, departed for Kalamazoo Michigan last month to become the first commander of U.S. Air Force Recruiting Detachment 506. The new detachment is being established under the July 1 reorganization. Capt. Mannion was awarded his second Meritorious Service Medal upon departure.

### New commander

Major Franklin C. Ordonio recently assumed command of U.S. Air Force Recruiting Detachment 408, New Orleans, La. A senior navigator, Major Ordonio was welcomed by an appointment as Aide-de-Camp on the staff of the Governor from Lieutenant Governor Jimmy Fitzmorris of the State of Louisiana. The certificate, signed by the Governor, carries the honorary title of "Colonel" by proclamation.

### Confused

The U.S. Air Force Recruiting Office at Merced, Calif., developed a small problem when Staff Sergeant Cory Jensen was assigned to work with Staff Sergeant Stephen Jansen. Not only does it create confusion in the office, but both live only two doors apart on the same street. Even the mail-man mixes them up.

### Farewell

Master Sergeant Walter O. Weible, a photographer with the creative branch of the Directorate of Advertising here, hung up his blue suit for the last time this month. MSgt. Weible received the Meritorious Service Medal during his retirement ceremony.

## Basic trainees no longer to receive 'dog tags'

Military "dog tags," as they have been known to millions of American servicemen, are becoming part of military history for most new members of the Air Force.

Tags will now be issued only to those members who are assigned duty as aircrew members or who are participating in actual or simulated combat, according to officials at the Air Force Military Personnel Center.

A revision of the regulation covering identification tags deleted dependents and airmen, other than those mentioned above, from the issue list. This means that young men and women entering basic training

will no longer be issued the tags. The change is the result of a suggestion which was submitted through the military suggestion program.

Previously, dependents were issued tags when they accompanied the military sponsor overseas and were required to keep them in their possession at all times.

The new policy will save money for the Air Force, by requiring less time and materials, since fewer tags will be produced. The reduced workload will be spread throughout the Air Force and not concentrated mainly in basic training where members of the enlisted force were issued their tags. (AFNS)



## Armed Forces Day

# Thoughts—

This day has been set aside for the Nation to recognize formally the dedicated service, unselfish sacrifices, and outstanding achievements of its men and women in uniform. As we approach our bicentennial anniversary, all of us dedicated to safeguarding the American way of life can take pride in our heritage.

Armed Forces Day should also be an inspiration for the future. In search for world peace, we know that further progress greatly depends upon strength. Having come this far, we must allow neither thankfulness nor hope to blind us to that reality. America must maintain effective Armed Forces in the future, and those of us in the Department of Defense must renew our determination to do the best job we possibly can.

It is a great privilege for me to join in saluting our Armed Forces, and I am especially proud of the men and women in the Air Force.

*John L. McLucas*

Secretary of the Air Force

Armed Forces Day is the day chosen by our national leaders to honor the men and women who serve in the defense of our great nation.

As we begin a year-long celebration of our Bicentennial, we should be mindful of our many blessings. Every event, every ceremony will afford us the opportunity to recall and be strengthened by the ideals set forth in the Declaration of Independence and our Constitution. These ideals are as vibrant today as when they were first written 200 years ago.

So, in the Spirit of '76, every citizen should join in pledging anew that we will meet any challenge and make any sacrifice to assure that those who follow us may enjoy the blessings that have made our way of life, our ideals and our nation an inspiration to all mankind.

*George L. Meyer*

Commander, Air Training Command

It is most appropriate that Americans set aside a day each year to salute our Armed Forces. Our country was built by individuals who were ready to fight and die for their ideals. Ever since the earliest days of our independence, patriotism and dedication to the cause of peace have earned for those who have worn our nation's military uniforms a place of distinction and honor in our history.

On this day, I ask all citizens to join with me in paying tribute to the courageous men and women who stand watch over the security of our nation and whose vigilance helps to ensure the liberty we cherish.

*Gerald R. Ford*

President of the United States

Armed Forces Day '75 officially begins the military's observance of its own heritage as well as the 200 years of our Nation. The United States Air Force has been operating as a separate Service for a little more than a quarter of a century, but its beginnings go back much farther—to the earliest days of aviation. As long as American airmen have served they have been dedicated to supporting our Country's ideals as prescribed in the Constitution. I am proud of past contributions made by the Air Force, along with the other military departments, in the service of our Nation.

As we face the difficult challenge of accomplishing our tasks with fewer resources, I am confident that the U.S. Air Force will remain the best trained, best equipped, and most dedicated Air Force in the world.

*David C. Jones*

Chief of Staff of the Air Force

The people to whom Armed Forces Day is dedicated are standing alert on freedom's frontiers around the world. They demonstrate the theme—"Armed Forces—Vigilant, Vital, Volunteer," by showing the high degree of military preparedness needed to be ready to defend our independence and maintain our liberty.

Established by Presidential proclamation in 1950, Armed Forces Day illustrates the close working relationship of the Air Force, Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, the Reserve forces and the National Guard—forces vital to the security of the Nation, to our countrymen and women.

The entire week, May 11-17, is an opportunity for the public to see its defense teams in operation by attending parades, exhibits, and open houses on military installations. It gives all Americans an opportunity to see and learn more about their military forces.

No single group of men and women are more responsible for our Armed Forces being the highly trained and professional units they are today than our recruiter-salesmen. It's with deep pride as commander of the finest team of recruiters in the Nation that I pass along this Armed Forces Day message to you and congratulate you on your outstanding work.

*B. L. Davis*

Commander, U.S. Air Force Recruiting Service