



# 442<sup>d</sup> TROOP CARRIER WING MOHAWK

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RICHARDS-GBAUR AIR FORCE BASE, MISSOURI

## AIR FORCE ANNOUNCES NEW RESERVE PROGRAM

Under a plan approved by the Secretary of the Air Force, Air Force Reserve and ANG units will be trained and inspected by gaining major air commands to shorten the link between reserves and using organizations.

Other aspects of the change-over, besides dissolution of CONAC numbered air forces, include formation of six air divisions scattered across the country. All of these new organizations will come under particular major air commands.

The new plan, a product of long study by special high level panels is designed to increase the effectiveness of Reserve Forces by reducing emergency reaction time to a minimum. The plan should be fully in effect, by the end of this calendar year.

Heretofore, ANG and AFRes units, tabbed to augment a particular major air command in an emergency, were trained and inspected by the Continental Air Command. Although the training goals generally were established by the gaining command they were implemented by CONAC. Now the gaining command will have full say on both goals and methods. And the commands will inspect the units to see that they come up to combat ready standards.

Changes involved under the new plan will bring about a CONAC reorganization. Responsibilities will be reduced to administrative, logistic and budgetary support of the Reserves and training for individuals not needed by Reserve units.

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## WING ORI TO BE HELD MARCH 5 & 6th

The big one is March 5&6. Put another way, the Wing's ORI is once again with us. What makes this inspection so important is that we are graded on what the inspection team finds during this weekend. Records, personnel, offices and building must be in first class order so that the Wing can maintain its rightful high ranking. For sure lets have 100% attendance and let 10th AF know that the 442d TCW is still the top Wing in the Air Force.

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## NEED FOR IMPROVEMENT

A note of warning was sounded by Mr. Paul W. Lemons, Administrative Officer ART, in regards to filing correct forms on make-up training requests. The correct 10th Air Force Form is Form 85. Wing Regulation 45-7, 1 December 1959 tells how it is to be filled out. Be sure your request is not turned down do to incorrect handling.

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## 442D MEMBERS STUDY FOR PRIEST HOOD

A/2 John Eldringhoff, Hq. Sqd and A/3 James A. Willman, Operations Sqd. have informed the Wing that they are moving from Kansas City to Chicago Ill. for the purpose of studying for the priest hood. The best wishes of the Wing and friends go with them.

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## FOUR AIR FORCE BASES READIED AS ATLAS SITES

Air force bases at Altus, Okla., Dyess Tex., Walker, N.M., and Plattsburg, N.Y. were listed as sites for Atlas ICBM Installations, the Air Force announced.

This increases the number of Atlas bases to 11.

Missile launching facilities will be built at 36 sites, nine in the area of each support base. Construction at each base will total nearly \$47 million and take 24 months to complete.

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## RECORD SAFETY MARK CHALKED UP BY USAF

The Air Force racked up an alltime flying safety record during 1959 and said the total fatalities from accidents were cut almost in half.

Particularly cited for its splendid safety record by General Thomas D. White Air Force Chief of Staff was the Military Air Transport Services (MATS) which flew over 2,400,000,000 passenger miles in its regular scheduled operations without a single passenger fatality or injury.

The Air Force Chief of Staff also noted that there has not been a collision between a USAF plane and civilian transport since May, 1958.

General White attributed the survival rate to improved emergency procedures, training and education and cited an increased percentage of successful jet "bailouts" as contributing to the reduced fatality rate.

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## HOW TO DISPOSE OF A BILLION \$ \$ \$

The Defense Department spends in terms of billions.

But how much is a billion dollars? For the serviceman who isn't used to thinking of money in terms of billions, the following illustration may help visualize the amount involved.

If a man stood over a pit in the ground, and dropped a \$20 bill each minute, day and night, it would take him 95 years to throw away a billion dollars.

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## OPERATION OVERSHOES \* \* \* \* \*

Lt Col Robert D Wyatt made known that supply has 500 pairs of overshoes which they would be pleased to issue to members of the Wing. A very nice 5 buckle model which come in black--size 6 thru 15. Its first come first served so go early and avoid the rush.

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## PARKING

For you who observed the painting of numbers on the first row of parking spaces behind building 710 and wondered 'what for' we here by clue you in. This row which numbers 1 thru 15 has been reserved for Staff Members of Air Base Group and Tac Hospital. It is requested that all other members of the wing please refrain from parking in these numbered zones.

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## NEED A GI DRIVERS LICENSE ? ? ?

Major C F Jones, Transportation Officer stated that his organization would start testing members of the Wing needing GI driver licenses. Testing will be Saturday mornings only during UTA weekends.

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## WELCOME TO THE WING

Captain Leslie E. Vestal, Jr. was appointed ART Personnel Officer effective 1 February 1960. Captain Vestal comes to the Wing from the Federal Aviation Agency, Kansas City, Missouri, where he was doing Personnel work.

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## QUICKIE TESTS REPLACE GMT LECTURES

QUICKIE tests have replaced GMT lectures since attendance at lectures was hampered by meetings and other duties. Tests covering collateral training subjects have been distributed to all personnel during the last two UTA's.

According to Capt Meador of Wing Materiel response to the tests has been good and they will be a regular practice during future UTA's.

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# INTELLIGENCE BRIEFS

## U.S.-JAPAN PACT SIGNED.

Japan and the United States signed a "Treaty of Mutual Cooperation and Security" which, when ratified, will replace the U.S.-Japan Security Treaty signed at San Francisco, September 8, 1951. Under the new pact, to remain in effect for at least 10 years, each party agrees to treat an armed attack against either of them in the territories under Japanese administration as "dangerous to its own peace and safety" and pledges to "act to meet the common danger in accordance with its constitutional provisions and processes."

Separate agreements govern the use of certain facilities and areas by U.S. land, naval, and air force, as well as the status of U.S. armed forces in Japan.

In this respect, an exchange of notes between Secretary Herter and Premier Kishi provides that the U.S. will consult with Japan before making major changes in the deployment into Japan of U.S. forces, in their equipment, and use of facilities and areas in Japan for combat operations elsewhere. Another exchange of notes calls for the establishment of a "Security Consultation Committee," through which the U.S. and Japan would consult on all matters regarding the treaty.

## U.S.-MOROCCAN AGREEMENT ON BASES.

The agreement reached by the King of Morocco and President Eisenhower on the U.S. bases in Morocco was described by them in the joint communique issued following the President's visit to Casablanca on December 22 as an illustration of the close friendship and cooperation between Morocco and the United States.

The communique reveals that under the agreement U.S. forces will be withdrawn from Morocco by the end of 1963. An immediate first step in this direct-

ion will be the release by March 31, 1960, of the U.S. Air Base at Ben Slimane (formerly Boulhaut).

## THE SUMMIT-BIG FOUR TO MEET MAY 16.

Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev has agreed to a proposal by the U.S., Britain, and France that the Four Powers meet in Paris on May 16 "to consider a number of questions of mutual concern." The original invitation for such a meeting had been sent to the Soviet Premier by the Heads of State of the three Western nations following their "Western summit" meeting at Paris December 19-21.

At this preparatory meeting the Western Powers discussed the positions they will take at the meeting with the Soviet Premier on such major issues as disarmament, Germany and Berlin, and East-West relations.

## DISARMAMENT.

The U.S.S.R. has accepted the proposal made by the five Western members (U.S., Britain, France, Canada, Italy) that the 10 nation Disarmament Committee begin its talks at Geneva on or about March 15, and has indicated that Bulgaria, Poland, Czechoslovakia, and Romania will also attend.

## PRESIDENT EISENHOWER TO U.S.S.R.

President Eisenhower will pay an official visit to the Soviet Union from June 10 to 19, 1960. The announcement was made simultaneously in the U.S. and the U.S.S.R. in January. The President is making the trip in response to an invitation by Soviet Premier Khrushchev last July.

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During World War II a total of 129,701 Americans were captured by the Axis enemy.



## NEW RESERVE PLAN CALLS FOR POST-STRIKE FORCES

A post attack support and recovery role will be added to the present missions of the Air Reserve Forces to increase Air Force capability to sustain its operations and recover in case of enemy attack.

The concept of post-strike recovery units was revealed when the Air Force announced its new plan to assure more effective management of its Reserve Forces and to make them more responsive to the needs of the Air Force.

At a Pentagon press conference, Lewis S. Thompson, Special Assistant to the Secretary of the Air Force for Manpower, Personnel and Reserve Forces, pointed out that the new plan was the result of thorough and comprehensive study by "one of the most potent assemblages of brain-power and objective experience ever brought to bear on any problem."

He said that organized study was begun last June when the Secretary of the Air Force directed a "searching review" of the entire Reserve Forces program.

A special study group of key Air National Guardsmen, Air Force Reservists and general officers from the major air commands made a report so complete and specific as to concepts, weapons systems, and requirements that it could not be made public for security reasons. It did become a basis for recommendations by senior members of the Air Staff along with a concept paper and proposed force structure developed by Air Staff agencies.

### Secretary Approves

The final Air Staff plan was further studied by the Air Reserve Forces Policy Committee. Based on this committee's recommendations, the Secretary of the Air Force approved the plan with certain modifications.

One of the major changes under the new Reserve Forces plan is the assignment of inspection and training responsibilities for Air National Guard and Air Force Reserve units to commands under which they would serve in war or emergency. This move is designed to bring about a closer and more responsive relationship between Reserve Forces units and the operating commands. Training and inspection was formerly a responsibility of Continental Air Command.

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### To Form Air Divisions

ConAC will provide administrative, budgetary and logistic support for the Air Force Reserve through six air divisions to be located regionally throughout the country. The air divisions will replace the present three numbered Air Forces of ConAC.

The National Guard Bureau will continue to administer the Air National Guard through the state governors.

According to Thompson, the major role of the recovery units would be played following an attack on an Air Force base. They would repair bomb damage, operate mobile communications, and provide support at alternate airfields for aircraft whose home base might be destroyed or damaged.

He emphasized that support and recovery units would not be oriented toward civil defense but would deal only with Air Force requirements.

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### WRITING CONTEST

A top prize of \$250 and a life membership in the Armed Forces Writers League awaits the winner of a "People-to-People Article Contest" recently announced. The contest is sponsored by the Army-Navy-Air Force Register and the Armed Forces Writers League.

Second prize is \$100 and a five-year membership in the AFWL; third, fourth and fifth prizes are \$50 and a two-year membership, honorable mention and "sufficiently deserving entries" will receive a one-year membership in the league.

Entries must be no more than 1,500 words, typed double-space on one side of the paper, telling how you helped boost the People-to-People program by personal contact or in some other way. Contest is open to any member of the Armed Forces, regular or reserve, active or retired, civilian members of the military establishments, and members of the Armed Forces Writers League.

Entries must be postmarked not later than midnight, April 10, 1960 and mailed to People-to-People Contest Chairman, Army, Navy, Air Force Register, 2020 M Street N.W., Washington 6, D. C.

Contest details may be secured from the above address.

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## "MYSTERY SATELLITE" JOINS 11 OTHERS IN EARTH ORBIT

Counting a satellite that is as much an orphan as it is a mystery there are now 12 man-made objects orbiting the earth, ten of which are of U. S. origin.

This tabulation was recently made public by the newly established National Space Surveillance Control Center, Laurence G. Hanscom Field, Mass., in its first report Feb. 12. The Center, an Air Research and Development Command agency, will make a similar report twice a month.

In the "Satellite Situation Report" the NSSCC also identified 12 additional satellites that have since succumbed to the faint gravitational pull still in force in their orbital plane and plunged to the earth. Among these was the first earth satellite, Alpha I (more popularly termed, Sputnik) launched Oct. 4, 1957 which disappeared December 1, 1957.

Four space and lunar probes are also reported. These are the U. S. Pioneer IV, launched Mar. 3 1959; and the USSR's Lunik I, launched Jan. 2, 1959, both still in solar orbit; the Lunik II, which struck the moon Sept. 13 after being launched the day before; and Lunik III, launched Oct. 4, which took lunar photos, now orbiting the earth.

Farthest traveling of U. S. satellites is Explorer VI, put up Aug. 7, 1959, which swings out 23,980 statute miles at its apogee, traveling the most pronounced elliptical route of all American satellites, since its perigee finds it only 117 miles up. Time for "once around the globe"? 686.2 minutes.

By comparison, Discoverer VIII launched Nov. 20, 1959, is a stay-at-home, with apogee of 590 and a perigee of 125 miles. Round trip time is 95.6 minutes.

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AIR FORCE SUBJECT  
OF HOLIDAY ARTICLE

The United States Air Force is the subject of an 8,000 word article in the March issue of Holiday magazine.

Recounting something of the history, traditions, and growth of the USAF, the article examines methods, planning, and objectives of the global operations. It looks at the men and materiel of "our prime military force," from the white scarfed heroes of WW I to the "best trained fliers and ground components in existence" today.

## VACANCIES IN 442D TCW

Following is a list of vacancies in the 442D TCW, according to the Wing Personnel office:

48 Aircraft Mechanics; 28 Cooks, 14 Warehousemen; 14 Air Police; 13 Firefighters; 12 Fuel Conservation Specialists; 9 Munitions Specialists; 8 Organizational Supply Specialists; 7 Woodworkers; 6 Aircraft Propeller Repairman; 6 Fabric, Leather and Rubber Helper; 5 Ground Power Repairman; 5 Inventory Management Specialist; 5 Personal Equipment Specialist; 4 Plumber.

Three each: Production Scheduling Specialist, Road and Grounds Specialist, Construction Equipment Operator, Aero Medical Specialist, Supply Inspector and Painter.

Two each in the following: Aircraft Radio Maintenance Technician, Office Machine Repairman, Flight Engineer, Reciprocating Engine Technician, Construction Equipment Repairman, Metals Processing Repairman, Sheet Metal Worker, Mason-Concrete Worker, Parachute Rigger, Air Freight Specialist, Chaplain's Assistant, Operating Room Specialist and Dental Specialist.

One each of the following: Motion Picture Sound Specialist, Electronic Navigation Equipment Repairman, Aircraft Hydraulic Repairman, Mechanical Accessories & Equipment Repairman, Materials Estimator Specialist, Weapons Repairman, Auto Repairman, Electrician, Refrigeration and Air Conditioning Specialist, Water Supply Specialist.

Passenger Specialist, Meat Cutter, Procurement Specialist, Baker, Statistical Specialist, Management Analysis, Manpower Technician, Physical Conditioning Specialist, Pharmacy Technician, Medical Administration Specialist, Veterinary Technician and Dental Laboratory Specialist.

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## WIN FREEDOMS FOUNDATION AWARDS

Two Air Force men headed the list of 102 winners of the Valley Forge Patriot's awards from the Armed Services according to a Freedoms Foundation announcement.

Major Rodney L. Cron, USAF, Command Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Alabama was named first, receiving a \$1,000 award. M/Sgt. Jesse C. Mason, USAF, 3423rd School Sq., Lowry AFB, Denver, Colorado, received second and \$500.



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#### NCO COUNCIL MEETING

Do something good and the word soon gets around. The 442d TCW's NCO Council was visited by MSGT Beebe of the 173 Fighter Sqd. ANG, Lincoln, Nebraska. Sgt Beebe is communication supervisor for this group and was visiting with the idea of setting up the same kind of Council at Lincoln.

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The NCO Council asks that all NCO's of the Wing join the Base NCO Club if possible. Dues are \$2.00 per year and does offer a real nice place to bring your wife or girl friend. To the Wing needs more members so we might have a voice in how the club is operated.

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The NCO Council discussed the possibility of forming a Drill Team. The idea is still in the thought stage but it is getting some thought.

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NEWS, according to Mr. Webster, is new information about anything...information previously unknown..recent happenings.

More news is wanted and needed for the MOHAWK about YOU and YOUR'S---send it or bring it to Room 226A, Bldg., 710----or phone it in, Ex. 7475.

#### PICK RESERVE WARRANTS

An Air Force board is scheduled to convene in Washington, D. C., May 23 to consider some 1,100 regular and reserve warrant officers for permanent promotion to CWO 2, 3 and 4. (AFPS)