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General Allen takes command of MAC

General James R. Allen assumed duties as commander in chief of the Military Airlift Command June 26 in ceremonies at Scott Air Force Base parade grounds.

He took the reins from retiring Gen. Robert E. Huyser, who has served as MAC commander in chief two years.

U.S. Air Force Chief of Staff, Gen. Lew Allen, Jr., officiated at the ceremony attended by MAC commanders here for a commander's conference, and hundreds of base people.

The chief of staff praised both commanders.

"Much has been written about General Huyser; he has received great and deserved praise. He tells it like it is—blunt and forceful.

"All of you in MAC should be proud of the service you've given this great leader, and you should be grateful for the service he's given you," he continued.

"I have great confidence in General James Allen as he replaces General Huyser. He is an experienced operator.

"There is no question in my mind that he will lead this fine command to new heights of capabilities that your country desperately needs," General Allen concluded.

General Allen comes to MAC from Stuttgart-Vaihingen, Germany, where he was deputy-commander in chief of the United States European Com-



(U.S. Air Force photo by TSgt. Bill Boardman)

Gen. Lew Allen Jr., addresses people of Scott AFB at change of command
Gen. James R. Allen (left) assumed CINCMAC duties
from Gen. Robert E. Huyser (right)

mand—the same position General Huyser held before taking command of MAC in 1979.

During his past four years in Europe, General Allen has seen first hand how MAC supports operations in Europe, the Middle East and Africa.

General Allen will direct all military airlift, as well as MAC's three technical services—Aerospace Rescue and Recovery Service, the Air Weather

Service and the Aerospace Audiovisual Service.

A Louisville, Kentucky, native, General Allen is a graduate of the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, New York, with a Bachelor of Science degree in Military Engineering. In 1963 he received a Master of Science degree in Business Administration from the George Washington University. He was presented an Honorary Doctor of

Laws degree from the University of Denver in 1975.

His career has spanned the globe, including assignments in the Philippines, Korea and Vietnam.

He commanded Strategic Air Command's 19th Air Division at Carswell AFB, Texas, and has held key staff jobs at Headquarters U.S. Air Force including an assignment as special assistant to the Air Force Chief of Staff.

Before his assignment to Europe, General Allen was superintendent of the U.S. Air Force Academy.

A command pilot, General Allen has flown the AT-6, P-51, F-80C, F-86A, F-100C, F-4C, T-37, T-38, B-52 and KC 135 aircraft.

His military decorations and awards include the Defense Distinguished Service Medal, Distinguished Service medal with one oak leaf cluster, Legion of Merit with two oak leaf clusters, Distinguished Flying Cross with one oak leaf cluster, Bronze star medal, Air Medal with 11 oak leaf clusters, Distinguished Unit Citation Emblem.

He is also a graduate of the Army Command and General Staff College and the Industrial College of the Armed Forces.

General Allen and his wife, the former Kathryn Lewis of Indianapolis, have two children, Jeffery and Kathryn.—MNS

Gen. Coverdale leaves 22nd to become vice CINCMAC

Maj. Gen. Robert F. Coverdale will return to Military Airlift Command Headquarters, Scott AFB, Ill., as vice commander in chief, succeeding Lt. Gen. Thomas M. Ryan, Jr., who will soon take command of the Air Training Command.

President Ronald Reagan announced General Coverdale's upcoming move June 22, and will also nominate the general for promotion to lieutenant general.

General Coverdale is no stranger to MAC Headquarters, having served as deputy chief of staff for plans and chief of staff until May, 1980, when he left to command MAC's 22nd Air Force at Travis AFB, Calif. He has been an airlifter during most of his 29-year career.

"As you can imagine, I'm honored and delighted with this new challenge," said General Coverdale.

"Most of my career has been spent in airlift, and I look forward to putting those years of experience to work as vice commander in chief of the command.

"Certainly, airlift plays a vital role in the projection of our nation's forces, a vital element of our national strategy.

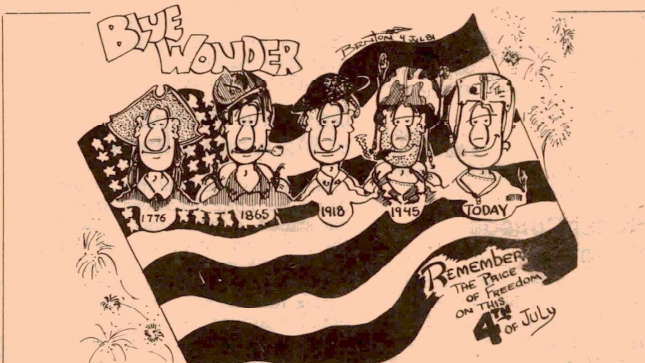
"And, of course, my family and I have always enjoyed Scott and the surrounding communities. We have many friends there and look forward to being with them again."

From June, 1975, until Aug., 1977, General Coverdale was assigned to Pope as commander of the 317th Tactical Airlift Wing as well as the first commander of the newly established U.S. Air Force Airlift Center.

After that he came to Scott AFB as deputy chief of staff for plans and Military Airlift Command chief of staff.

General Coverdale is a command pilot with more than 7,000 hours in many types of transport aircraft. He has 46 combat missions in Southeast Asia and 162 combat flying hours.

He also has a parachute rating which he received in 1975 after completing Airborne jump school with the 82nd Airborne Division at Ft. Bragg, N.C.—MNS



Have a safe Fourth—stay home

Tomorrow is Independence Day.

Locally, there will be a swim-fest all day tomorrow at the pool next to the Recreation Center. Prizes will be awarded. In addition, softball tournaments are slated Saturday from 8 a.m.-10 p.m. and Sunday from 1-2:30 p.m. on the ballfields behind the gym.

Fort Bragg will also have a giant Fourth of July celebration

beginning at 7:30 p.m. on the Main Post Parade Field off Reilly Road. The 82nd Airborne Division Chorus and Band will be featured. There will also be a free fall parachute demonstration weather permitting.

The evening will be capped off by a spectacular fireworks display which may be viewed from the parade field. (Illustration by SSgt. Gary Benton)

Pope AFB—"We put the Air in Airborne"

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News Briefs

Myrtle Beach laws

The Myrtle Beach area is a popular summer resort for Pope people. In an effort to inform our readers so that they can enjoy their visit without incident we have printed the following material sent to us by the city of Myrtle Beach police department.

Myrtle Beach Code of Laws

Sec. 7-2-3 Drinking of alcoholic beverages in public areas is prohibited.

Sec. 7-10-4 Sleeping on the beach after 9 p.m. is prohibited.

Sec. 8-1-13 Riding on a portion of a vehicle not designed for passengers is prohibited.

Sec. 9-1-34 Sleeping in automobiles between the hours of 9 p.m. and sunrise is prohibited.

Sec. 9-3-4 Carrying of weapons, concealed or otherwise is prohibited.

Sec. 9-1-7 Breach of the peace, disorderly conduct and drunkenness in public is prohibited.

Sec. 9-1-33 Trespassing on private property is prohibited.

Art contest winners

Winners of the Year of the Family Craft Contest at the Multipurpose Workshop were announced recently.

In the oil painting category Bob Ray took first place, JoAnn Johnson, second and Lavon Hosey, third.

Shu Ching Higgins won both the first and second place prize for pastels and received an honorable mention for a black and white drawing.

The first place winner for water colors was Lavon Hosey and Shu Ching Higgins won second place.

In ceramics Joy Proach received the first place ribbon for glazes and the second place for overglaze. Yvonne Finchum earned second place for glazes and Debbie Celeya won first place in overglaze. In the stain category, Wayne W. Martin took first place, Jan Hamilton, second, and Deanie Deitterick, Honorable mention.

Sylvia E. Schwebel was awarded the first place prize for a handcrafted item and Darlene Parker was first in tile painting.

Webster College registration

Webster College will conduct registration for the August 17-October 17 term July 13 and 14 for returning students. New student registration will be on July 15 and 16. Master of arts degree programs are available in administration of justice, management, human relations and public administration. The following courses will be offered during the term: Management and Organizational Behavior; Decision Making Processes; Cor-

porate Responsibility and Society; Value Systems; Constitutional Issues in Criminal Justice; and Public Management. For further information contact Anita Randall at the Education Center or phone 497-2424.

Generals move throughout MAC

Lt. Gen. Thomas M. Ryan Jr., vice commander in chief of the Military Airlift Command, has been named to command the Air Training Command and has been nominated by President Reagan for four-star rank.

Maj. Gen. Robert F. Coverdale, commander, 22nd Air Force, Travis AFB, Calif., will return to MAC Headquarters to fill the vacancy left by General Ryan's move.

Maj. Gen. Donald W. Bennett, deputy chief of staff for logistics at MAC Headquarters has been chosen to command the 22nd Air Force.

General Bennett's successor at MAC Logistics is Col. Alfred G. Hansen, 314th Tactical Airlift Wing commander at Little Rock AFB, Ark., who has been selected for promotion to brigadier general.

Restricted water use urged on Pope, Bragg

Use of water on Pope and Fort Bragg during the current heat wave is exceeding the capacity of the Fort Bragg water treatment plant.

Equipment to increase capacity of the water plant is now being installed and is scheduled to be completed within the next month. Until these water plant modifications are completed, the base populace is requested to conserve water.

Conservation measures should include washing cars and watering lawns, gardens, shrubbery, etc. only on Tuesdays and Saturdays between 6 and 9 p.m. The Base Civil Engineer will issue a public notice when the need for these restrictions are no longer required.

Gasoline cheaper at Mallonee Village

Gasoline at the Mallonee Village Army Air Force Exchange Service gas station is three cents a gallon cheaper than at other AAFES stations on Pope and Fort Bragg.

The Mallonee Village station is testing the feasibility of using unbranded gasoline and operation on a cash or check only basis which allows for the lower price, according to Robert Harman, automotive activity manager.

A recent AAFES test showed that customers would willingly give up their credit cards for gasoline that was three cents a gallon cheaper.

The test at Mallonee Village will last through Oct. 1.

Pay increase approved

An increase in basic pay is a key feature in the Uniformed Services Pay and Benefits Act of 1981 as approved by the Senate Armed Services Committee.

The Senate bill would target raises in basic pay from 9 to 18 percent for officers and 7 to 22 percent for enlisted people. It would also increase the basic allowance for quarters by 17 percent for E-5s through E-9s and by 14.3 percent for all others.

The bill would provide a 30 to 35 percent increase in aviation career incentive pay for officers with 6 to 25 years of service, authorize the incentive pay for officers with more than 25 years of service who are below the grade of O-7 and who perform operational flying duties and increase minimum enlisted flying pay to \$83.

The bill must now be considered by the full Senate. Differences between the House- and Senate-approved bills will be resolved in conference. Other features of the Senate Armed Services Committee version include:

- Suspend the President's authority to reallocate 25 percent of the basic pay increase by grade and years of service or into quarters or separate rations allowances.

- Terminate the present authority to pay members travel allowances' to home of record on separation or release from active duty if the travel is not actually taken.

- Authorize four days temporary lodging expenses for permanent-change-of-station moves not to exceed \$110 per day per family. This would include \$50 per day without dependents or \$37.50 per day for the member and \$25 per day for each dependent.

- Authorize advance payment of any

applicable dependent travel dislocation or evacuation allowances.

- Authorize exception to the 180-day storage limitation to protect members from personal liability for storage costs incurred because of duty requirements such as protracted deployments.

- Authorize reimbursement for travel from the old duty station to the port of vehicle embarkation and from the port of vehicle debarkation to the new permanent duty station.

- Authorize members serving consecutive overseas tours at the same remote location to receive travel and transportation entitlements to their home of record or place of family residence between tours. If the member is denied leave for military necessity, the bill authorizes travel and transportation allowances after arrival at new duty station or after commencing in-place remote tour.

- Authorize funded commercial transportation, if government transportation is not available, for members and their dependents serving in austere locations to a location offering respite from the adverse conditions. The authorization would be for one round trip during any continuous two-year tour and two round trips during any three-year tours.

- Provide round-trip travel entitlement in the event of serious illness, death or imminent death of a close relative. This would only be authorized if government transportation is not available and is only authorized to a stateside port of entry.

- Authorize travel and transportation for members on temporary duty to their permanent stations in the event of the serious illness, injury or death of a dependent.

41st gets new commander



Lt. Col. Bob Mitchell

Lt. Col. Bob L. Mitchell assumed command of the 41st Tactical Airlift Squadron on July 2 replacing Lt. Col. Don A. Lindbo who has been reassigned as an assistant to the 317th

deputy commander for Operations. Having served in both the 39th and 40th Tactical Airlift Squadrons, Colonel Mitchell was formerly the 40th TAS operations officer. The change of command ceremony was conducted by Col. Edsel R. Field, 317th Tactical Airlift Wing commander.

Colonel Mitchell has over 5,000 flying hours with over 3,900 hours in the C-130 and 600 hours of combat experience in South East Asia. Colonel Mitchell is married to the former Molly Jackson of Odessa, Texas. They have two daughters, Melissa and Melinda.

Capt. James R. James also took command of the 317th Field Maintenance Squadron temporarily. He will hold the position until Maj. Larry K. Thomas arrives in August.

Off limits businesses listed

The following Fayetteville area establishments and businesses are off limits to all Armed Forces members, according to base officials.

All tattoo parlors in the state of North Carolina.

Baby History Plan/Little Angel Plan, presently operating from P.O. Box 396, Spring Lake, and presently represented by James D. Sullivan or any salesman/representative. This business purports to sell photo album and plan of portraits to be taken by appointment at intervals of not less than 90 days for 16 photographs in all.

House at 106 Mullis Street, Fayetteville, having done business as Outer Limits Health Club, Wanda's Health Club, The Galaxy Date Club, etc.

Yadkin Auto Service, 636 Hor-

sesoe Road, Fayetteville.

Blue Room Lounge, Murchison Road, Fayetteville.

Hodges Pond, also known as the Clay Pits, located on a service road adjacent to Highway I-95, 2½ miles south of Highway 59 (Hope Mills Road).

New Car Order House, Fayetteville.

Action Realty and Insurance Co., P.O. Box 442, Spring Lake.

Hand's Body and Paint Shop, 3896 Raeford Road, Fayetteville.

The Sand Pits, property belonging to the Weyerhaeuser Company located in Moore and Harnett Counties, and bordering the northern boundary of Fort Bragg.

Drug paraphernalia, all such places in the Fayetteville/Fort Bragg/Pope area having such equipment for sale.

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Editorials

Commander's Forum, Theater hours, gas prices, finance wait



USAF Photo

Col. Edsel R. Field
317th Tactical Airlift Wing Commander

If you have a question or recommendation you want to bring to my attention, dial 4357 (HELP). Your message will be recorded and your question with answer will be published in the newspaper or will be answered personally as soon as practicable. Please clearly give (or spell) your name to insure a reply. If you request anonymity, your name will not be used in answer preparation. I would like to use this column, however, to select those questions which pertain to more than the individual involved.

Theater opening

Why is the ticket window at the Base Theater not opened after theater time at the 2 p.m. matinee on Saturday?

Recently, on a visit there, at five minutes after the hour I stood at the window and at least nine of us were turned away from buying tickets because the ticket window was closed at 2:05.

The exchange policy for sale of tickets at movie performances is that the ticket window will be open 20 minutes prior to and 25 minutes after the start of the feature. It's obvious that the Pope theater staff did not comply with that policy. The job of the people working at our theater, or as well as other service related organizations on this base, is to provide a service to our people. This incident has been reported to Army Air Force Exchange Service management and shouldn't happen again. Thanks for letting us know we had a problem.

Why higher gas prices?

Why do we pay \$1.35 a gallon for unleaded fuel on base when we can go downtown to other stations and get it for \$1.29 and they are paying state tax?

The Exchange is currently investigating the possibility of contracting an independent distributor. The

Exchange prices its gas at the average of gas prices surrounding the Fort Bragg area. Gas stations outside the perimeter of the immediate Fort Bragg area seem to price their gas lower.

Long wait in finance office

I would like to know why it takes so long to be seen in the Finance Office. I was in there today for 45 minutes before I was seen.

We certainly appreciate your concern about the excessive waiting time in the Finance Office. We do try to continually man our customer service areas, but unfortunately our lobby often fills up more rapidly than our staff can handle in a short period of time.

Waiting time in the Finance Office depends on a number of variables: Which section is visited? What day of the month? And what time of day? In the Military Pay section, we see approximately 80 customers per day. On paydays, this may jump to nearly 140 people. The busiest time is during lunch--between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m.

We try to keep three people working the pay counter at all times. Sometimes this drops to two when our people are at lunch, on leave or pulling base duties.

Many pay inquiries are small ones which take only eight to 10 minutes per person. When a major problem is presented to the pay clerk, that clerk may be tied up for 30 to 40 minutes with just one customer. This slows

down our response time to all other customers waiting. Normal waiting time is between 20 to 30 minutes, but knowing when to come in may shorten that wait.

The following guidelines may help you receive quicker pay service: Don't come in close to paydays, unless you have a pay problem which needs immediate attention. Don't come in during lunch. Get on the Sure Pay system (most pay problems occur with non-Sure Pay participants). Bring your leave and earning statement--this shortens the time it takes the clerk to serve you.

Our Travel Section processes an average of about 80 vouchers per day. An easy way to reduce waiting time in the Travel Section is to send your voucher through distribution or just drop it off for check payment. We are striving very hard to make check payments within three work days from receipt of vouchers.

Give it a try, it will save you from even having to come to the Travel Section at all.

Asking your questions by phone before your trip may also save you some hassle. Our clerks can give you the hints you need to fill out your vouchers on return.

If you feel you have not received the service you deserve, please stop in to see the accounting and finance officer or deputy AFO before you leave.

Independence Day: time to restate resolve

By Col. Edsel R. Field
317th Tactical Airlift Wing commander

Benjamin Franklin issued the challenge almost 200 years ago: "You have a republic...if you can keep it." It was then, as now, a national challenge.

Tomorrow--Independence Day--celebrates our nation's triumph over tyranny 205 years ago and our success at "keeping the republic" ever since. Our country is today the oldest continuously existing republic on earth

operating under its original constitution.

The formula for our success has been simple. First, to declare that all people have infinite worth and certain rights that cannot be taken away. Second, to build our country's government on these ideals. Third, to defend our country and its proud heritage.

It's time to again re-issue Franklin's challenge--to remind ourselves of what we can lose if we don't stand strong in the face of threats to our basic ideals.

For there's no escaping the truth that life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness are as precious now as ever.

Today there are nations that believe people are merely tools of government. There is virtually no individual freedom, no inalienable rights, no democracy. The goal of these countries is to force their system of government on the people of the world. They wait and probe for an exploitable weakness in governments lacking the full support and resolve of their people.

America stands as a symbol of hope for millions throughout the world who yearn for liberty. We all can be proud to be a part of this great nation--and prouder yet to wear the uniform of our country and serve at the forefront of the quest to protect our liberties.

Yes, Independence Day is a special day--a day of rejoicing, but also a day to remember and restate our national resolve!

Snake bite first aid critical

By Capt. (Dr.) Michael Parkinson,
U.S. Air Force Clinic

About 8,000 Americans will be bitten by poisonous snakes this year and the majority of these incidents will occur in the southeastern and Gulf states. Prompt recognition of the symptoms and initiation of first aid procedures may be critical to survival.

Rattlesnakes, copperheads and water moccasins, all of which may be found locally, are "pit vipers" which inject venom through two long fangs. Within minutes the victim experiences severe burning pain with swelling at the site. Fever, nausea, vomiting and muscle cramps follow, with disorientation, convulsions, paralysis and death coming in six to 48 hours.

Nonpoisonous snake bites should leave the victim symptom free. Thorough cleansing with soap and water is the primary treatment.

Emergency first aid for poisonous bites is directed at minimizing the

movement of the poison through the body, and transportation to a medical treatment facility.

Bite victims should be kept warm and at rest, given only sips of water and reassurance.

If transportation to a hospital will require more than 15 minutes, the puncture wounds should be incised and suction initiated immediately. This may be accomplished by making a small incision through each puncture. Suctioning with a small rubber bulb or by mouth, should continue for one hour.

Application of cold packs, ice, etc., should be avoided as this procedure increases the degree of skin damage caused by the poison.

If an arm or leg is struck, a broad tourniquet (wider than one inch) should be placed between the heart and the bite and tightened so that one finger can be placed easily beneath it.



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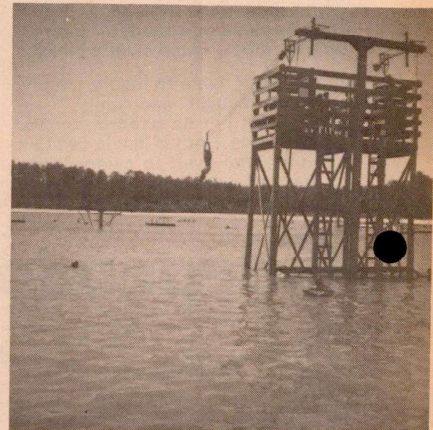
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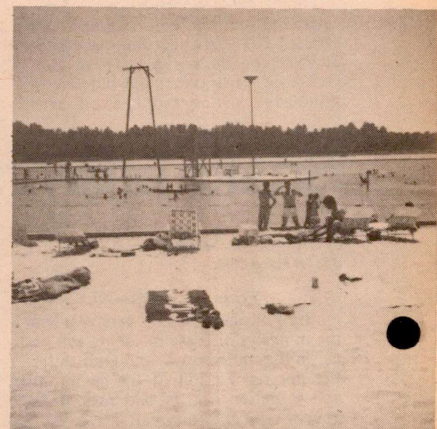
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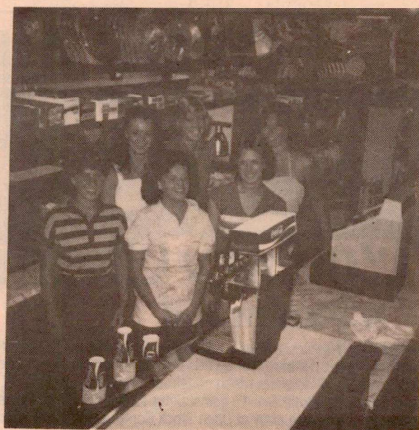
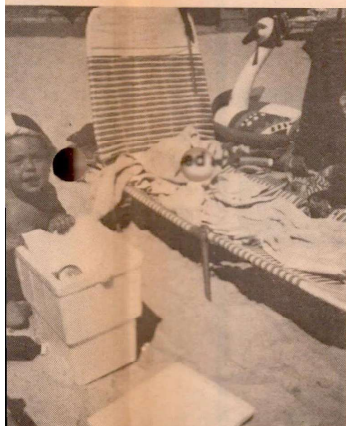


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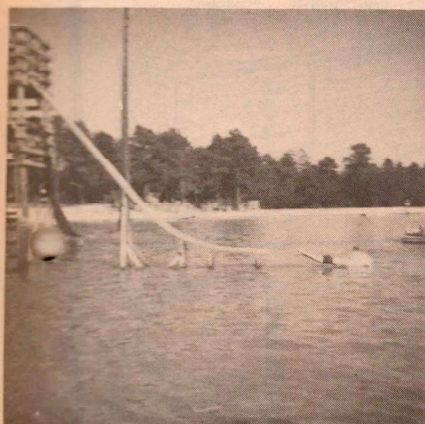
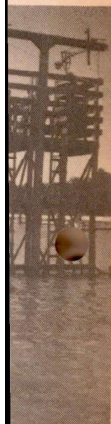


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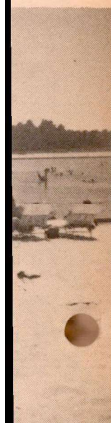
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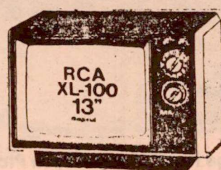
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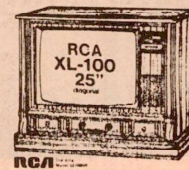


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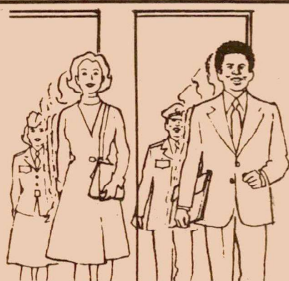
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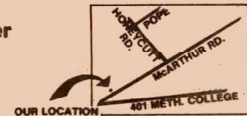
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Tomorrow: Matilda (G) 2 p.m. and Coal Miner's Daughter (PG) 7:30 p.m.
Sunday and Monday: Altered States (R) 7:30 p.m.
Tuesday: Melvin and Howard (R) 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday: Close Encounters of the Third Kind (PG) 7:30 p.m.
Thursday: Eye Witness (R) 7:30 p.m.

NCO Club

Tonight and tomorrow: Top 40 band, Cross Roads, from 9 p.m.-1 a.m., both nights. Dining room closed tonight.
Tuesday: Disco with Jumpin' Sunny from 8 p.m.-midnight.
Wednesday: Western disco from 8 p.m.-midnight.

Rec Center

Tonight: Open from 1-11 p.m., celebration next door at the pool.
Sunday: Tournaments in pinocle, bid whisk and pool.
Monday: Free movie.
Tuesday: Classes in guitar, jazz dance and acting.
Wednesday: Air Force Showcase presents The Beginnings from 8 p.m.-midnight.
Thursday: Coupon Swapping from 7-9 p.m., Danceercise from 7-8:30 p.m.

Youth Center

Tonight: Teens will have a dance

MWR holiday schedules

Today	Tomorrow
Bowling Center	Noon-11 p.m.
Gym	9 a.m.-9 p.m.
Recreation Supply	closed
Library	12:30-5:30 p.m.
Auto Hobby	closed
Arts and Crafts	9 a.m.-5 p.m.
Rec Center	1-11 p.m.
Golf Course	7 a.m.-dusk

Communicators celebrate anniversary

By A1C Andrew Kneel

The Communications Command observes its 20th anniversary as a major Air Force Command this month. Pope's 193rd Communications Squadron celebrated that anniversary by hosting an open house and picnic June 27, at Pope Park.

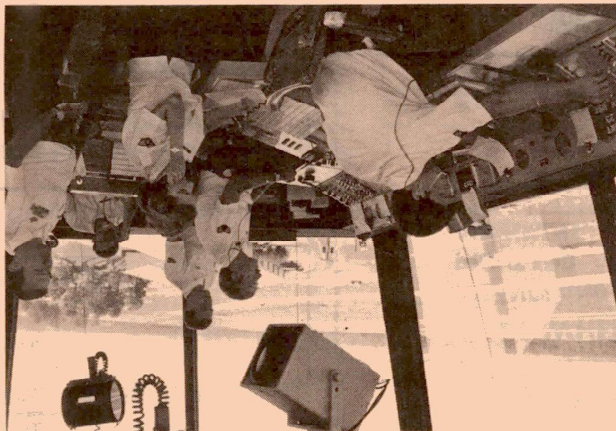
Prior to that event 2Lt. Diana Offen, squadron communications officer here, explained the mission of the Communications Command and how Pope's squadron fits in to their mission.

"The mission of AFCC," explained the lieutenant, "is to supply the communications needs of the Air Force." The command, headquartered at Scott AFB, Ill., operates as a tenant unit at all Air Force bases. "Although we're small, we're an integral part of air defense," Lieutenant Offen said.

"Anytime anybody communicates on base we handle it," said Capt. James R. Hanby, commander of the 193rd Communications Squadron.

Messages between Air Force bases worldwide are handled by the Communications Command, explained Captain Hanby. These messages include vital information about the number, location and cargo of aircraft, as well as information relating to pay and promotions.

Bringing home Pope's bacon
 Air Traffic Controllers of the 193rd Communications Squadron keep an eye on the busiest flightline in the Military Airlift Command. From left are A1C Harry Bergmann, Sr., Kevin Lewis, A1C Frederick Snyder, Sgt. Debra Faison, Sgt. Dennis Sparkman and SMSgt. Richard T. Bloddeau, assistant chief controller. (U.S. Air Force photo by Sally Fender)



Messages are received at the Message Center, which operates around the clock, seven days a week. "An urgent message from Headquarters MAC to Colonel Field would be in his hands within an hour," said Captain Hanby.

The Communications Squadron provides and maintains navigational aids and air to ground radios for the Command Post and Base Operations. The squadron's maintenance team installs communications security equipment and provides and maintains all weather equipment for Pope, Fort Bragg, Simmons Field and Air National Guard units in the area.

"This is my second command in communications," said Captain Hanby. "I enjoy the job because we have great people to work with and they're well trained and qualified to do the job."

"Because of the nature of our mission it is not uncommon to have eight aircraft in the same area doing different things," said Captain Hanby. "When you add helicopters roving in and out of the flight pattern you can appreciate what a super job the controllers do."

The Communications Squadron Command Post and Base Operations maintains a switchboard, manned continually by a staff of seven civilian operators. All telephone communications into or out of Pope are routed through this switchboard.

Pope's control tower is the busiest in the Military Airlift Command, coordinating 180,000 aircraft operations annually. Air Traffic Control is the responsibility of the Communications Squadron.

Working force
 A1C Susan Ebersole operates a printing press in the Reprographics section of Base Administration. She hopes to complete study for her bachelor's degree and go on to Officer's Training School. "I enjoy my job," said A1man Ebersole. "Our supervisors go out of their way to help you further your education." (U.S. Air Force photo by Sally Fender)

