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## Flu shots mandatory

All Air Force members must receive their flu immunization by today, according to Lt. Col. Peter Hoffman, USAF Clinic commander.

Those who fail to report for their immunization prior to this date will be required to report tomorrow, 7:30-11:30 a.m.

## Speaks at prayer breakfast

# General Mathis visits Pope

By A1C Andrew Knef

The capability to project American power into Southwest Asia is one of our greatest needs, said Gen. Robert C. Mathis, Air Force vice chief of staff, at a press conference here Oct. 16.

General Mathis is the third ranking officer in the Air Force, below Gen. David C. Jones, chairman of the joint chiefs of staff and Gen. Lew Allen Jr., Air Force chief of staff. The West Point graduate is a former fighter pilot and has been the vice commander of both the Tactical Air Command and U.S. readiness to respond in potential primary research and development agency for the Air Force.

General Mathis said that overall U.S. readiness to respond in potential trouble areas like the Mid-East was on the way up. He added that the Soviet Union was the only military organization in the world that could give the U.S. any problem.

"In the Air Force today, we're ready. It's a matter of how much and when," he said.

The general explained that years of budget cuts in the post Vietnam era led to a gradual attrition of military readiness, but that recent changes such as the development of the Rapid Deployment Force had improved our ability to respond quickly to areas of conflict.

General Mathis said the great distances involved in any deployment to the Mid-East made enhanced airlift capability a critical requirement.

"There is no way to get our forces there in a timely fashion without airlift," the general said.

Although he believes America still possess the greatest airlift capability in the world, General Mathis called for the continued development of the improved C-5 Galaxy aircraft, modified

commercial cargo carriers and the proposed new multi-functional airlifter, the C-17.

"Basically, the C-17 looks like what we really need," he added.

Touching on another of the Air Force's proposed new aircraft, the B-1, General Mathis said that this advanced, long-range, penetration bomber, first considered in the Carter administration, will be an effective weapon "well on to the end of the century."

"The airplane, in our opinion, is the bomber that can be built in the shortest period of time and be ready for service," he said. "I think we need it very badly."

Responding to charges that the airplane will be obsolete by the time it can be fully deployed in the mid 1980s and that funds would be more wisely spent on the new stealth technology, the

general explained, "As soon as you build any aircraft there is obviously something better coming on the drawing board. If you follow that logic you'll never build anything."

"There is always something just a little bit better a little farther down the line. On that basis, I think we'd still be riding horses."

General Mathis welcomed the recently passed pay raise saying that for some time the all volunteer forces have

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## DUIs

Year to date	61
Oct. 13-19	1
Total	62



### Senior NCO of the Quarter

As Communications/Navigation Branch chief for the 317th Avionics Maintenance Squadron, SMSgt. Claude Dalton supervises the radio, radar and Doppler shops. Sergeant Dalton, the base Senior Noncommissioned Officer of the Quarter (July-Sept.), has been in the Air Force 21 years and is currently working on a master's degree in management from Webster College through the Base Education Center.



### NCO of the Quarter

SSgt. William E. Brown, 317th Security Police Squadron, noncommissioned officer in charge of Reports and Analysis, is the base NCO of the Quarter. Sergeant Brown is also a fire team leader on the Air Base Ground Defense Flight. He is active in all squadron sports teams and played on the base softball team this year. He has been in the Air Force five years.



### Airman of the Quarter

Base Airman of the Quarter, A1C Leonard P. Solt, has been in the Air Force 15 months. He is a C-130E loadmaster with the 39th Tactical Airlift Squadron. Airman Solt is working on his college education by taking two off-duty courses, three evenings a week at the Education Center.

(U.S. Air Force photos by 2nd Lt. A.V. Stephenson)

## Pope AFB—"We put the Air in Airborne"

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## News briefs

### Bicycle thefts up last month

Seven bicycles were stolen from Pope family housing areas between Sept. 26-Oct. 11, according to SSgt. Thomas J. Neville, 317th Security Police Squadron.

"Four of the bikes were secured and three were insecure," he said. "The majority were not marked."

Sergeant Neville said the majority of people don't secure their bicycles properly. "They chain the tires so that they don't move but it's easy to just pick them up and walk away," he said.

Bicycles should be chained to a sturdy article such as a tree or telephone post. "People sometimes store their bikes on hooks in their carports," he said. "They often forget to lock them at the same time."

### Comptrollers meet

The American Society of Military Comptrollers met at the Pope Officers' Club Oct. 13.

Guest speaker, Mr. Regis Lyons, investment counselor from Waddell and Reed, spoke on financial security and how to obtain it. He addressed insurance, stocks, money certificates, property, retirement accounts, savings accounts and other types of investments.

The American Society of Military Comptrollers is a professional organization of members interested in the fields of finance, accounting, audit, budget, cost, management, economics and manpower.

The next meeting is Nov. 17. Mr. Lee Neuhring, budget officer for the U.S. Army Communication Command, will speak on the planning programming and budget system.

### Safety suggestions

Thirty-one eligible safety suggestions were submitted during Safety/Suggestion Month in September.

Suggestion tee shirts, trip kits and maps were presented to the submitters of the first and fifth safety suggestions. Sgt. Clifford Smith, Detachment 1, 507th Tactical Air Control Wing, submitted the first safety suggestion.

Other winners were Sgt. Lowell Beckner, 1943rd Communications Squadron, TSgt. Christopher Whitehead, Detachment 12, 1600th Management Engineering Squadron, SMSgt. Russell Ranson, 317th Avionics Maintenance Squadron, SSgt. Frank Williams, 317th Transportation Squadron, SrA. Thomas Fink,

317th Services Squadron, and A1C Ron Kronberger, 317th AMS.

Sergeant Beckner's name was drawn as the grand prize winner. He was presented a certificate for two free dinners from the Noncommissioned Officers' Club.

The rotating Safety/Suggestion Participation Trophy went to the 317th AMS. The trophy will be retained by the 317th AMS for six months.

### Equipment management inspection

The Headquarters Military Airlift Command Equipment Management Team will inspect all MAC units at Pope Monday through Nov. 5 to evaluate equipment management programs.

Selected accounts in the 317th Tactical Airlift Wing, 1st Aeromedical Evacuation Squadron and Detachment 21, 7th Weather Wing will be inspected. Inspectors will assess the effectiveness of the equipment management effort in support of the mission and provide management guidelines toward equipment control and accountability.

The team will be available for discussion and resolution of equipment problems being encountered and anticipated.

### Twenty-two selected for promotion

All of the 22 Pope first lieutenants who were reviewed by the calendar year 81B Temporary Captain Promotion Board at Headquarters Air Force Manpower Personnel Center were selected for promotion to the permanent grade of captain.

The following lieutenants will be promoted on the dates indicated. Those indicated by (\*) are selected for appointment to regular status.

Name	Organization	Date
Gregory G. Baltmiskis	40th TAS	May 31
John C. Barry	40th TAS	May 31
Russell B. Brown	39th TAS	May 31
Todd A. Ciencki	39th TAS	May 31
Ronald A. Colbert	41st TAS	May 18*
Richard K. Coleman, Jr.	1943rd CS	May 31
Michael P. Davis	39th TAS	May 31
Joseph G. Eckerman	USAF Clinic	April 14
Mark E. Elliott	41st TAS	May 31
John J. Evans	40th TAS	May 31
John D. Francis	39th TAS	May 31
Joseph P. Hadyka	Det. 3, 5th Wea	June 29*
Jeffery K. Kintzing	41st TAS	May 31
Gregory P. Krewson	41st TAS	May 18*
Christopher J. Krislinger	40th TAS	May 31
Dennis E. Nutting	41st TAS	Feb. 1*
Dale I. Pangman	41st TAS	May 31
Paul I. Patridge	40th TAS	May 31
Glenn A. Reigelman	Det. 3, 5th Wea	May 31*
Jon K. Reynolds	39th TAS	Feb. 16
John A. Schaefer	41st TAS	May 31
Robert S. Thomas	40th TAS	May 18



Ilona Darrah works in the base pharmacy helping fill prescriptions. Mrs. Darrah is one of 16 Red Cross volunteers who work at the Base Clinic and Dental Clinic. Last year Red Cross volunteers put in as many hours at the Clinic as most full-time, paid employees, freeing medical staff for other duties. The American Red Cross is one of several organizations which receives money through Combined Federal Campaign donations. In addition to coordinating volunteers for hospitals, the Red Cross also provides emergency services to military families and to victims of natural disasters. They conduct courses in life saving, first aid and water safety and in many regions provide blood bank facilities. Pope reached 70 percent of its goal this week, collecting about \$41,400. (U.S. Air Force photo by Sally Pender)

## Gen. Mathis, continued from page 1

been underpaid, but he added that the talk of comparability between the military and civilian sector was unrealistic.

"Still, there are not too many people in civilian life that are asked to serve remote tours in Korea or Turkey or up on the Alaskan coast," he said.

In addition to the press conference, General Mathis met with Lt. Gen. Jack U. Mackmull, XVIII Airborne Corps

and Fort Bragg Commander.

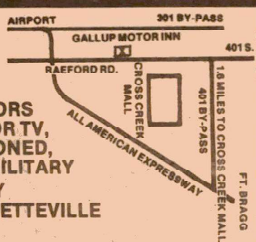
General Mathis observed loading procedures on Green Ramp and was flown to Sicily Drop Zone by C-130 for a demonstration of tactical airlift capability.

Oct. 17, General Mathis was the guest speaker at a prayer breakfast at the Bordeaux Convention Center for about 1,000 Christian businessmen, military members and their families.

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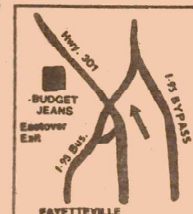
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## Editorials

### Commander's Forum

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.

#### Supporting our "sister wing"

There is a problem in the mess hall. When a team comes in TDY (temporary duty) like Dyess for instance--they create a line that is

backed up to the door. Could it be possible that when a team comes here of 20 or more that they eat before or after chow hall hours or eat at the other chow hall or in-flight kitchen for breakfast? If so, this would greatly ease time up in the chow hall service lines in the mornings.

During the week of Oct. 3-9, we hosted nearly 700 Dyess AFB, Texas, people who were here for their Operational Readiness Evaluation. Roughly half of these visitors ate breakfast at Fort Bragg.

I am aware of the problems large temporary duty groups cause--that is why eight cooks were sent here TDY to assist us and our breakfast menu was modified to provide faster service.

I insisted that we support our sister wing to the best of our ability so that an important operational mission could be successfully completed. When we deploy to another base in like circumstances, we fully expect to be supported in the same manner.

Your comments are taken positively and we can learn from them to do it smarter the next time.

## Burns

### Neglect can be dangerous

By Capt. (Dr.) Shi Chieh Chang,  
USAF Clinic

The National Safety Council reported recently more than two million Americans suffered burn injuries in 1980--almost twice the number reported in 1967. Three hundred thousand of those were disabled by their injuries and more than 30,000 required prolonged hospitalization.

From these statistics it is obvious that burns have become the major medical problem in the United States--and the most neglected by those affected.

Burns can vary in severity from a simple first degree wound to a major insult to the body where the patient's very life is placed in jeopardy. The magnitude of the injury determines the extent of the changes on the body.

First degree burns involve only the epidermis (first layer of skin) and are

characterized by a mild reddening. The most common example of this type of burn is the simple sunburn.

Caution (as with your sunlamp this winter) will reduce your paying the price in discomfort and peeling skin. Cleanliness and a few commercially available pain-reducing sprays are among the most widely used treatments.

Second degree burns are a deeper injury involving the epidermis and lower layers of the skin. Blister formations and the possibility of scarring exist with this type of injury. Cleanliness of the burn site is again in order, but your physician should be consulted in the care of the wound.

The third degree burn is a very severe form of injury involving all layers of the skin and underlying tissue. Im-

mediate removal of the injured person to a medical facility is essential.

Among the more important steps in caring for burns is to cover the area with a towel soaked in cold or cool water to reduce pain. Burns involving more than five percent of the body, except for minor sunburns, should be seen by a doctor.

The chief problems encountered in burn care are control of infection and, in serious burns, attending to a probable acute loss of body fluids.

Never, never apply butter or petroleum products to the injury as they inhibit healing and increase pain.

Prevention is always the best cure, but an intelligent approach to the care of burns when they happen can prevent complications.

be observed to make this a safe and happy Halloween.

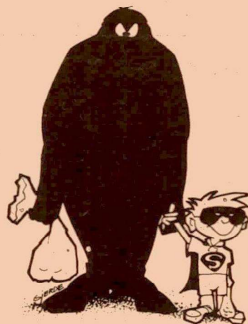
- Never let small children go trick-or-treating alone. They should be accompanied by older children or an adult.

- Trick-or-treat rounds should be confined to the child's neighborhood.

- Pass out only factory-wrapped or sealed treats. No loose or uncovered candy, popcorn, fruit or other goodies should be given out.

- Children should be told to wait until they get home to sample their treats so that parents can inspect them first.

- Costumes should be light in color, short enough to prevent tripping and



non-flammable. Use reflective tape or glow-in-the-dark spray paint so that costumes reflect auto lights. Avoid masks, hats, etc. which restrict vision.

- Housing area residents who wish to take part in trick-or-treat activities should leave porch and outside lights on. Children should be told to only call at homes with lights on and to stay out of darkened areas.

- Children should carry flashlights but never any candles.

- Children should be reminded of basic safety rules for crossing streets.

- Motorists should use an extra measure of caution in the housing areas while the trick-or-treaters are out.

## Trick or Treat

Children will be making trick-or-treat rounds Oct. 31 from 6-8 p.m. in base housing areas.

Following are a few precautions to

make sure all your doors and windows are closing tightly, keep your furnace in peak operating condition and **turn down those thermostats.**

As an incentive to save on energy this winter (as if the added burden to your tax dollar weren't enough incentive) the committee has planned a food and beverage bust for the spring if we meet our goal. Plans for the party are still being worked out, but it should be worth a little bit of chilling it this winter.

To help everybody keep track of how well we're doing in energy saving, a big sign will be constructed and displayed at prominent locations throughout the winter. I'll also keep you posted with articles every so often on our progress.

Of course there are a lot of other types of energy which we need to save also. And there are lots of you out there with good ideas on how to save the Air Force a little money on energy.

If you're one of those people with an energy saving idea, jot it down on an Air Force form 1000 and send it over to the Suggestion Office right away. Any eligible energy suggestions received during the month of November will receive their choice of a T-shirt or paperweight. The suggestions will then be processed through normal channels and may earn the suggestor a cash award if it is accepted.

The kids over at Pope School will be learning about energy conservation next week, too. First Lt. Jose Rodriguez and Capt. Gwen Armstrong will be going to the school to talk to the children about energy.

The children will take a tour of Pope to see how energy is vital to the base mission and will be bringing home an energy checklist to share with their parents.

They'll also work on entries for the Energy Conservation Week poster contest. Every child who enters will receive a flying disk toy, and will have his or her name put in a drawing for one of 25 free tickets to the Base Theater.

With all these things planned, this should be the best Energy Conservation Week ever. This ought to be a real big start to a year-round habit of saving our precious energy resources.

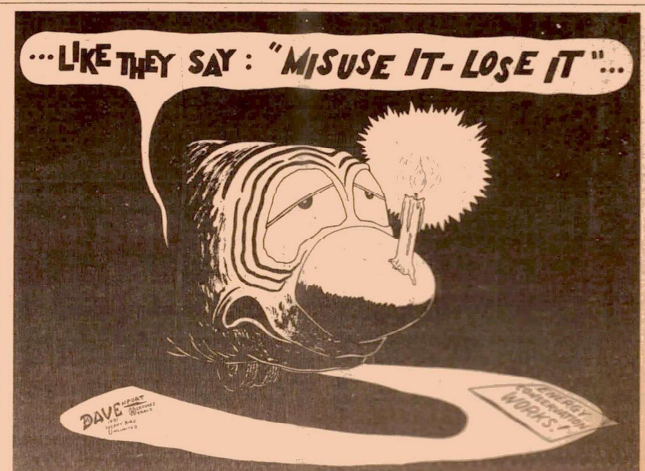
## Drag those sweaters out

By SrA. Tanya L. Lairamore

Next week is Energy Conservation Week and there are lots of great things planned to make this a big kick-off to a year-round energy saving effort.

First off--the Energy Conservation Committee people have determined that we need to use 10 percent less heating energy this year than we did in fiscal year 1981. They will take into account whether this winter is colder or warmer than last year and base the figure on what they call "degree days".

So drag those sweaters out of moth balls, pile extra blankets on your bed,



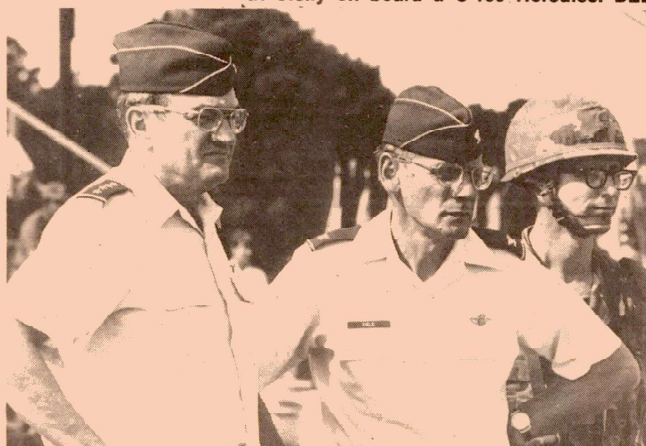




**Gen. Mathis visits Pope**

**BELOW LEFT--**Gen. Robert C. Mathis, Air Force vice chief of staff, and Col. Edsel R. Field, 317th Tactical Airlift Wing commander, observe airlift demonstration at Fort Bragg's Sicily Drop Zone. **ABOVE--**General Mathis arrives at Sicily on board a C-130 Hercules. **BELOW RIGHT--**

Pope's Honor Guard welcomes the general (saluting) on base. The general toured various agencies on base Oct. 16 prior to speaking at a prayer breakfast in Fayetteville. (U.S. Air Force photos by Sally Pender and 2nd. Lt. A.V. Stephenson)



## Twenty-one receive awards

Air Force Commendation Medals were presented to 21 Pope people in August and September.

The recipients included **SSgt. Alvin J. Allen**, 317th Civil Engineering Squadron; **A1C Melvin R. Allen**, 317th Supply Squadron; **SSgt. Charles M. Ball**, 3rd Mobile Aerial Port Squadron; **SSgt. William E. Brown**, 317th Security Police Squadron; **Sgt. John W. Choate**, 317th CES; and **SSgt. Richard Cooper**, 3rd MAPS.

### About 100 members

## ALCE deploys to Florida

About 100 Pope members of an airlift control element team deployed to Eglin AFB, Fla., last week in support of Bold Eagle '81.

The Pope ALCE will be responsible for the command and control of two bare-based airfields in the Eglin range.

"We are looking forward to the exercise with great enthusiasm, said Maj. Pat Phillips, ALCE commander of Auxillary Field 6. "We should be able to move out smoothly and be ready when the missions start coming in this week down at Eglin."

Also last week, four aircrews and two C-130s, under mission commander

**SSgt. Godfrey L. Dever** and **TSgt. Kenneth J. Diamond** received the first oak leaf cluster to their AFCM. Both are from the 317th SPS.

**Capt. Carl R. Eich**, 39th Tactical Airlift Squadron; **SSgt. Ronnie Fulcher**, 3rd MAPS; **Sgt. Joey D. Green**, 317th Organizational Maintenance Squadron; and **Sgt. Michael I. Middleton**, 317th Supply, received AFCMs.

**MSgt. Kenneth E. Landis**, 317th OMS; **MSgt. George A. Piervicenti**,

Detachment 215, 3751st Field Training Squadron; **SSgt. Stanmore J. Pruett**, 317th AMS; and **1st Lt. John Short**, 317th SPS, received first oak leaf clusters to their AFCMs.

Second oak leaf clusters went to **SMSgt. Edward E. Spiotti**, 317th Civil Engineering Squadron; **TSgt. Ronald T. Steffen**, 1943rd CS; and **TSgt. Richard J. Whisnant**, Detachment 21, 15th Weather Squadron.

**Sgt. James L. Waldrop, Jr.**, 317th AMS; and **TSgt. Donny Weaver**, Detachment 3, 5th Weather Squadron, received AMCMS.

Meritorious Service Medals were awarded in August and September to

**MSgt. Robert L. Bolick**, 3rd MAPS; **SMSgt. Sanford D. Bush**, 317th AMS; **Capt. Julius A. Jackson**, Det. 21, 15th Wea.; **Maj. James W. Kahler**, 41st TAS; **MSgt. Paul T. Lex**, 317th Field Maintenance Squadron; and **1st Lt. Larry M. Trump**, 1943rd CS.

First oak leaf clusters to the MSM went to **CMSgt. James H. Martin**, 1943rd CS; **Capt. Sherman C. Miller**, 41st TAS; **MSgt. James L. Mobley**, 317th Supply; and **MSgt. Dillon H. Yankee**, 317th Combat Support Group.

**CMSgt. Earl P. Davis**, 317th OMS, received the second oak leaf cluster to the MSM.

### In MAC newspaper contest

## Hercules Herald take first

The *Hercules Herald* won first place honors in its category in the annual Military Airlift Command news media competition at Scott AFB, Ill. last week.

Pope's Public Affairs Officer, 1st Lt. Brian P. Hoey, won first place for the best published feature for his various exercise stories.

Pope also won first place recognition in the broadcast category for a radio show by Sgt. John Gentry and second place in the graphic art category for

Dave Davenport's Herky Bird cartoon.

Awards were presented during the annual public affairs conference at the Scott Noncommissioned Officers' Club Tuesday. Lt. Gen. Robert F. Coverdale, MAC vice commander in chief, made the presentations. Plaques went to first place winners and certificates to first and second runner-up.

Pope's first place winners have been entered in the Air Force level news media contest.



# Local Happenings

## Youth Center

**Friday:** Pre-teen disco 6:30-9:30 p.m.  
**Saturday:** Teen dance 7-10:30 p.m.  
**Monday:** Games with prizes and free popcorn 3:30-6 p.m.  
**Tuesday:** Arts and crafts to decorate the Youth Center for Halloween 3:30-10:30 p.m.  
**Wednesday:** October birthday party for members 3:30-6:30 p.m.

## Officers' Club

**Friday:** Live entertainment in the lounge 8 p.m.-midnight.  
**Sunday:** A la carte breakfast from 9 a.m.-1 a.m.  
**Monday:** Seafood platter special 5:30-9 p.m.  
**Tuesday:** Chicken platter special in dining room 5:30-9 p.m. Special function with big winner 5:30-6:30 p.m.  
**Thursday:** Mongolian barbecue from 5:30-9 p.m.

## Rec Center

**Friday and Saturday:** Variety band "Carousel" plays from 9 p.m.-1 a.m.  
**Sunday:** Membership appreciation buffet 1-5 p.m. Members and spouse or date free. A small charge for guests and children age two and up.  
**Monday:** Game night with free nursery service to members.  
**Wednesday:** "Appalachian" plays country music from 8 p.m.-midnight.  
**Membership applications** accepted 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday-Friday at the cashiers window.  
**Green fees and golf carts** at a small charge for members. Cards available at the cashiers window.  
**Free bowling tickets** to current members. See Mrs. Gomez for free ticket for three games of bowling.  
**Dial 497-6955** for menus and entertainment information.  
**Halloween ball** on Oct. 31. Prizes will be given for the best costumes.

## NCO Club

**Friday:** Bridge organizational meeting at 7:30 p.m.  
**Saturday:** Tour to Southern Pines Autumnfest departs at 10 a.m. There will be entertainment, food, craft booths and athletic events.  
**Sunday:** Dungeons and Dragons starts at 1 p.m. Pinochle tournament begins at 2 p.m. Eight-ball tournament starts at 5:30 p.m.  
**Monday:** Star Trek episode, City on the Edge of Forever at 7:30 p.m. Free popcorn and punch will be served.  
**Tuesday:** Free Christmas decoration class begins at 7 p.m. Free jazz dance class from 8:30-9:30 p.m. Men and women are invited.  
**Wednesday:** Worldwide family talent contest begins at 7:30 p.m. The show is free.  
**Thursday:** Swamp coupons from 7-9 p.m. Mid-week pinochle game begins at 7 p.m.

## School Board meeting

All interested people are invited to meet the Pope school board candidates Tuesday at 7 p.m. at the Pope Chapel annex.

## Library

The Sunday Film Festival will feature "Connections: The Trigger Effect." This is the first in the Public Broadcasting System series which will be featured each month. Also, a children's film "Johnny Appleseed" will be shown.  
 A special Halloween story time will be at the Base Library Tuesday at 9 a.m. Children are encouraged to come dressed in their Halloween costume.

## Halloween carnival

Cub Scout Pack 759 will sponsor a Halloween carnival for Pope children between 6-8 p.m. Oct. 31 at the Scout Hut on Armistead Road.  
 Children between 2 and 12 years of age may attend the carnival in addition to or instead of the traditional trick-or-treat activity. Tickets for

booths and refreshments may be purchased at the door for 10 cents each.  
 A crossing guard will be on duty to help children cross Armistead Road.  
 Call Ruth Thomas at 497-3769 for information.

## Sports news

**Any women interested** in playing varsity volleyball should contact Susan Taylor at the Gym, Ext. 2892.  
**The base racquetball championship** will take place at the Gym Nov. 9-14. There will be a men's open B class, Senior class and a women's division.  
 The varsity racquetball team will be picked from the tournament winners. Registration forms can be picked up at the Gym. The deadline for registering is Nov. 1. For more information call Susan Taylor, Ext. 2892.  
**The 317th Transportation Squadron** won the fast pitch softball championship last week. Headquarters Squadron finished second.

## NCO Club parking

The Security Police have received numerous complaints of illegal parking around the Non-commissioned Officers' Club.  
 As a result of these complaints and the hazard these vehicles cause, parking citations will be issued to vehicles parked in marked no parking zones and along the yellow curbing.

## Police Blotter

### Oct. 8

**6:50 a.m.**--The Airlifter Monument adjacent to the Noncommissioned Officers' Club was damaged.  
**8:50 a.m.**--A patrolman observed a government tool box in an automobile in the parking lot of the 200 series barracks. The owner of the

vehicle, an airman first class, was apprehended for larceny.

**12:10 p.m.**--A civilian struck an automobile belonging to a senior airman in the parking lot of Bldg. 378 resulting in minor damage to both vehicles.

**6:37 p.m.**--An airman basic reported the theft of his cassette player recorder and about \$40 which was left insecure in his room in Barracks 286.

**8:16 p.m.**--A sergeant reported the theft of his flight jacket which was left insecure in the parking lot of Bldg. 900.

**8:24 p.m.**--An ambulance responded to Dining Hall 2 due to an individual having severe stomach cramps. A civilian employee was transported to Womack Army Hospital.

### Oct. 9

**1:42 a.m.**--An Army private was apprehended on Armistead Street for driving under the influence of intoxicating beverage. During the apprehension, a partially burnt marijuana cigarette was observed in the vehicle.

**3:52 p.m.**--The Fire Department responded to a grass fire behind the Hillcrest housing area.

**5:28 p.m.**--A dependent wife of a technical sergeant reported that she had received an obscene telephone call.

**6:29 p.m.**--The Fire Department responded to the Hillcrest housing area due to reports of a child trapped in a tree with a possible broken leg. Upon their arrival, the child was freed and no injuries were sustained.

### Oct. 10

**2:30 a.m.**--An expired identification card was confiscated at Gate 3.

**6:46 p.m.**--A patrol responded to the Hillcrest housing area due to reports of a domestic disturbance.

**10:30 a.m.**--An airman first class reported the theft of his leather jacket from his room in Barracks 283.

**1:30 p.m.**--A traffic complaint was made against an employee of the Education Center.

**9:02 p.m.**--The Fire Department responded to the Base Gym due to an alarm. Investigation revealed that the alarm was set off by steam escaping from the steam room.

**11:32 p.m.**--A wallet was found by an airman first class adjacent to Bldg. 900. The wallet belonged to an Army private and was released to the Military Police at Fort Bragg.

### Oct. 11

**1:11 a.m.**--A senior airman reported that a window in Barracks 282 had been kicked out.

**9 a.m.**--A dependent wife of a staff sergeant reported that her bicycle had been stolen from the Hillcrest housing area.

**9:55 a.m.**--An ambulance responded to the Hillcrest housing area to an infant not breathing. Upon arrival, breathing was restored and the infant was transported to Womack Army Hospital.

**11:29 a.m.**--A wife of a technical sergeant reported the theft of her bicycle which was left insecure at her home at Packet Circle.

**5:05 p.m.**--A civilian was apprehended for DUI by a security police patrol.

**9 p.m.**--An Army private was apprehended at Gate 4 for DUI.

**11:10 p.m.**--Two men were observed in the wooded area adjacent to the NCO Club. When approached, the individuals jumped the fence and departed the area. A small amount of marijuana was found in the area.

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# DITY movers caught trying to cheat Uncle Sam

Three airman who tried fraud in do-it-yourself moves recently found it didn't pay.

According to Special Agent Ron Fox of the base Office of Special Investigations, do-it-yourself (DITY) shipments of household goods are a great way to save money, as long as you don't try to cheat Uncle Sam.

Recently ended investigations run by AFOSI and Transportation officials at another Air Force base found that

three airmen had "inflated" the weight of their household property. Because the three received payments based on the illegally padded shipments, one airman has already received an Article 15 and cases against two noncommissioned officers for fraudulent claims against the government are pending.

Mr. Fox explained that under DITY, service members transport household property on local or permanent change of station moves. DITY movers are

reimbursed by the Air Force after the move based on a percentage of whatever amount traffic management decides was saved by not using a commercial shipper.

"Property weight has much to do with how much the Air Force repays the service member," the special agent said, "and the service has had to set up a continuing review of member's shipping documents for questionable claims."

One person shipped water-filled trash cans and another packaged concrete blocks. The third person carried a vehicle in the moving van with the other household property and claimed the 4,000 additional pounds as legitimate baggage.

"I can understand the temptation to cheat," Mr. Fox said. "But whatever the possibilities for making a small profit this way, there are more possibilities of getting caught."

## From Pope to Germany

### SPs take part in Cold Fire

By SrA. Tanya L. Lairmore

Forty-four members of the 317th Security Police Squadron went to Hahn Air Base, Germany, Sept. 21-25 to take part in Cold Fire, a part of Reforger '81 exercises.

The Cold Fire exercise tested the capability of security police units Military Airlift Command, Tactical Airlift Command and Air Training Command bases in defending Hahn from enemy attack outside the base perimeter.

"We were the only base whose perimeter was not penetrated," said 1st Lt. John Short, 317th SPS operations officer. "The evaluators for Headquarters MAC graded us as outstanding."



Aggressor from 435th SPS, Rhein-Main AB, Germany, rests after mock attack. (USAF photo)

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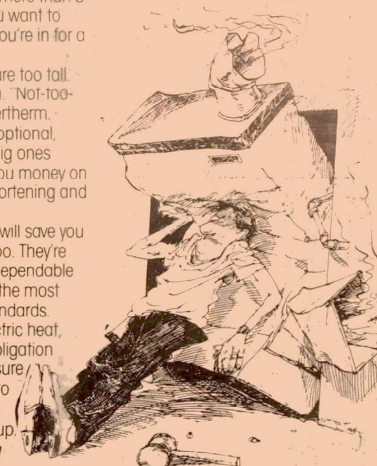
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