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LT COL MOOSE RETIRES

Lt Col John L. Moose, Air Force adviser to the 937th Troop Carrier Group, was honored in special ceremonies last month by members of the 937th. He has been advisor since 1961.

He was spotlighted for his 25-year career in the Air Force which will close October 31, 1965. He began his career in September, 1940 as a member of Oklahoma's 45th division.

The veteran pilot switched from the infantry to flying and graduated from flight school in 1942. Since that time he has logged more than 14,500 hours in C-47, C-46, C-54 and the 937th's C-124 Globemaster aircraft.

The command pilot has worked three overseas tours of duty--India, where he won the Distinguished Flying Cross and the Air Medal, Tripoli and Hickham, Hawaii.

He also has been awarded the Presidential Unit Citation.



LT COL MOOSE DISPLAYING THE 937th's
CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION

FOUR 937 TCG MEMBERS RECEIVE PROMOTIONS

Four members of the 937th TCG were promoted effective October 1, 1965, according to personnel records.

Following is a list of those receiving promotion and their new rank:

A2C James M. Gleason
A2C Charles A. Newton
A2C Paul W. Wahlquist, Jr.

NEXT UTA

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THE COMMANDER'S COLUMN

The November UTA is the most important one of the year for our unit. The inspection team from WESTAF will be here and they will tell us what they think of our efforts over the past year.

I look on an inspection as a big help in our efforts to maintain our position as the best C-124 unit in the Air Force. The inspectors are impartial, they "call em like they see em" and they are a tremendous assist in helping all of us do our jobs better.

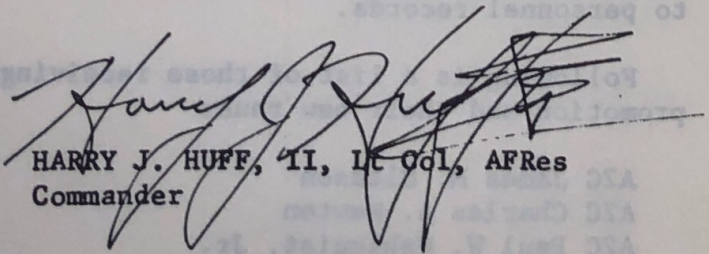
We have made quite a bit of progress in many areas; manning, OJT, UTA attendance, training and others.

The report which the inspection team prepares represents what our gaining command, MATS, and what CONAC will think of us for the next year.

We will also have some important visitors in the area and we want to leave a favorable impression with them.

Let's keep our military courtesy and discipline up to the high standards we have had and really show our visitors and inspectors that the "Sooner" Group is the best.

I know we will have a successful weekend and inspection.


HARRY J. HUFF, II, Lt Col, AFRes
Commander



SWISS NATIONAL NOW AIRMAN BASIC ARNOLD
BEING INDUCTED BY LT COL H. V. HARDEN

SWISS NATIONAL ENLISTED

The 937th has enlisted Edward Joseph Arnold who is a citizen of Switzerland. Airman Arnold was born in Zurich, in 1911, and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Max Joseph Arnold still reside in that city. However, his mother is presently visiting Arnold at his residence, 5912 S. Lee here in Oklahoma City.

Arnold is a graduate of a four year college which also is located in Zurich. He came to this country in July of 1963 and entered as a landed immigrant with full intentions of becoming a United States Citizen after the required time.

Airman Arnold civilian occupation has been in the capacity of a Camera Man for one of the local newspapers.

UNIFORM REGULATIONS

Flight jackets will not be worn as a part of the uniform. The tan blouse and trousers and bush jackets become obsolete on 15 October.

During the inspection, personnel who work in the offices will wear the blue uniform and personnel from the flight line should wear fatigues.

SAFETY CORNER

AIM AT YOUR TARGET!

Capt Warren Klima
Ground Safety Officer

Safety is the aim and accidents are the target which your safety office urges the 937th hunters to shoot for to enjoy a safe hunting season this year. Careless hunters often bag more than they bargained for.

Last year over 2,400 persons were killed by guns -- which explains a six percent increase over the previous year in hunting accidents.

For those who will be taking advantage of the 1965 hunting season, the following rules should be adhered to:

1. Treat every gun as if it were loaded. Avoid all horseplay with guns and don't point a gun at any individual.
2. Keep guns unloaded and in their cases while traveling in cars, boats or planes.
3. Don't hunt by yourself.
4. Keep gun on safety and carry it properly. Don't lift it over fences, slide it through or under.
5. Make sure of your target.
6. Double check to see if your ammunition fits the gun.

In the event someone is injured follow the basic rules of first aid:

1. Control bleeding.
2. Keep wound clean.
3. Treat individual for shock.
4. Summon a physician as quickly as possible.

Presently, 114 officers and 678 airmen are assigned to the 937th for a total of 792. Authorized manning strength was moved recently up to near the 1,000 mark.

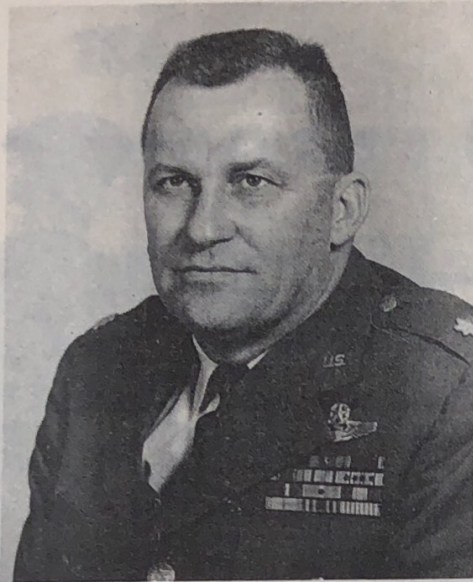


THE GROUP STAFF WAITING FOR THE ADJUTANT TO PREPARE THE SOONER GROUP FOR INSPECTION

REMEMBER WHEN . . .

Home cooking was where most women were? . . . There was no TV, radio, autos, electricity or heart attacks, and the only guided missiles were the skyrockets on the 4th of July? . . . We had friends "over there" before we had foreign aid? . . . We had never heard of "income tax" and "social security" was a home with no mortgage on it? . . . We had never heard of juvenile delinquency and the Board of Education was a shingle? . . . The Constitution of the United States was a revered and irrevocable document? . . . And everybody who didn't keep a dog kept a cat and more people kept the Sabbath? Remember when? . . . Boy, you are no apring chicken.

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NEW CAMRON COMMANDER ASSIGNED

The new squadron commander of CAMRON is Major Donald J. Carry who comes to the unit from Muskogee, Oklahoma. He was employed as Aircraft Maintenance Officer of the 929th TCG at Davis Field in Muskogee.

Major Carry began his military service with the Navy in 1943. He served with the Air Force Pacific Fleet during WW II and was later recalled to active duty during the Korean conflict serving as engineering officer for Carrier Air Group 5.

Major Carry holds the Air Medal with gold star and has 319 combat hours.



THE COMMANDER CONGRATULATING COL MOOSE ON HIS RETIREMENT ON BEHALF OF THE MEMBERS OF THE 937th SOONER GROUP

WHY WE MUST WIN IN VIET NAM ????

Surprisingly there are a great number of Americans who have vague ideas or none at all as to why the United States Government has committed such a vast deployment of our Defense Establishment in a war to insure the continued freedom of the South Vietnamese people. While this in itself should be sufficient reason, the Geo-political aspects would be much more far reaching should we be thrown out. One only needs to take a look at a map of Southeast Asia and one can readily visualize that the communists would be at the door steps of bottling up the main sea passage ways from the Pacific into the Indian Ocean. While recent events in Indonesia have certainly taken an 180 degree turn from the near communist take over, a loss of Vietnam could easily swing the pendulum right back and this vital sea passage way would be completely sealed off. With the loss of Indonesia the communist would then be at the door steps of Australia and New Zealand and their probably capitulation. Thus the United States position in the Pacific would be withdrawn to Hawaii and our West coast.

I have just been talking about the worst. Now what happens if we win? The first thing that free nations now waivering because of a weak previous American foreign policy will fall strongly in support of the United States and the cause of freedom will start rolling back the cancerous encroachments of world communism. The very simple question every American fighting man, his parents, wives and the sweethearts should ask themselves is what kind of country do they want to raise their children in? A world blessed with freedom or a slave in asphere under the heel of communism.

Capt Kinkaid I. O.

ATTENTION ALL AIRCREW MEMBERS

If there are aircrew members who have received their shots, be sure to see Sgt McPherson before the inspection. If they wait until Saturday of the November UTA to get these shots, it will be too late.

ATTENTION ALL OFFICERS

In order to fund ROA memberships, furnish two paid socials per year and establish a fund for miscellaneous purposes the 937th Troop Carrier Group Officers Fund was established by vote of officer members of the 937 TCG.

The dues are \$20.00 per year, payable by the year or by the quarter year at \$5.00 per quarter. 100% participation is expected. The quarterly dues for October, November and December 1965 are now due and payable. Payments will be accepted by Major Eden, Captain Lucas, Lt Shaffer, Lt Col Harden or Lt Col Carson.

When you receive your billing from ROA headquarters for your ROA dues, turn it over to one of the above officers in order that your dues can be paid from this fund.

GROUND TRAINING INFORMATION

The Air Force Specialty Knowledge Test (AFSKT) will be administered in the following career fields during the November UTA. Air n will be tested in Bldg Nr 200 at 0800 hours, Sunday, 21 Nov 65. Bldg 200 is located east of Parking Lot Nr 2 which is just east of the flag pole and Fire Station Nr 1.

3 Level: Any career field.

5 and 7 level: USAF Supervisory Examination, 33, 36, 42, 43, 44, 61, 63, 64, 71, 90, and 98.

The AFSKT will be administered during the December UTA in the following career fields: 20, 24, 27, 29, 31, 46, 47, 54, 56, 60, 62 and 73.

The OJT Supervisor's Meeting will be held in Classroom Nr 1 at 1330 hours, Saturday, 20 Nov 65. All OJT Administrators and OJT Supervisors will attend this meeting. Trainees, MCOICs and OICs are encouraged to attend.

All personnel, other than aircrew members, who had birthdays in either July, August or September, and all other personnel who have not taken the physical fitness test earlier in the calendar year, will take the test during the November UTA. (Airmen who have completed Basic Training during the calendar year are not required to retake the test.) The test

will be given on the hangar floor (Bldg 1030) as scheduled below:

20 November 1965

1330 hours, 18-24 years old
1400 hours, 25-29 years old
1430 hours, 30-34 years old
1500 hours, 35-39 years old
1530 hours, 40-44 years old
1600 hours, 45 years and above.

21 November 1965

0830 hours, 18-24 years old
0900 hours, 25-29 years old
0930 hours, 30-34 years old
1000 hours, 35-39 years old
1030 hours, 40-44 years old
1100 hours, 45 years and above

All personnel on flying status are scheduled for their physical fitness during the November UTA. The test will be given in the Base Gymnasium, Bldg 424 in accordance with the following schedule.

21 November 1965

1400 hours, 18-24 years old
1430 hours, 25-29 years old
1500 hours, 30-34 years old
1530 hours, 35-39 years old
1600 hours, 40-44 years old
1630 hours, 45 years and above

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USAF CHAPLAIN BOARD URGES US TO TAKE A
LOOK AT "OUR MORAL DEFENSES"

(First in a series of three)

Some of us remember the old stereoscope which gave the viewer the impression of looking at pictures in three dimensions. Most of us have seen 3-D motion pictures in which we feel as though we are actually riding on a roller coaster or flying in a jet interceptor.

The three-dimensional pictures add the reality of life by giving length, breadth, and depth to a flat image. In much the same way, the picture of our national life takes on new freshness and reality when we consider it in the light of these three dimensions. This article is concerned with the dimension of length; the two succeeding articles will consider breadth and depth.

There is a dimension of length in our national life. Sometimes the emphasis we place — and justly so — upon individual responsibility for good citizenship tends to limit our thinking in terms of the present.

We are prone to view our American heritage as something localized in our own particular community by our own particular generation.

The dimension of length becomes apparent when we look back over two centuries of our history and consider those men who did so much for us in establishing our freedoms and providing us with the constitutional means of maintaining them.

Further, the dimension of length adds to our understanding of the values which are affirmed by democratic theology.

The late Dr. Carl Becker, former professor of history at Cornell University, once wrote that these values "are older and more universal than democracy and do not depend on it. They have a life of their own apart from any particular system or type of civilization. They are the values which...men have commonly employed to measure the advance of the decline of civilization...They are values that readily

lend themselves to rational justification, yet need no justification."

When we draw upon this thought and experience of those who have lived before us, we begin to understand more clearly some of the problems and opportunities which confront us today.

Many of us would find greater meaning in our way of life and in our heritage of freedom, as well as a better understanding of the sources of their defense, if we would give serious thought to the dimension of length in our development as a nation and a people.

INCREASED MANNING REQUIRES ADDITIONAL
WORKING AREA FOR 937TH TROOP CARRIER GROUP

Because of recent sharp increases in manpower training on UTA weekends with the 937th, additional space for work areas has been acquired and will be used to house part of the unit.

"At present, plans are being made to move the Combat Support Squadron to the newly acquired building," Lt Col Charles Von Stein, 937th executive officer, reported.

Building 761, about one block south and one block east of the base Stop & Shop store, will be occupied by Combat Support during the December UTA if necessary improvements are completed in the World War II vintage structure, Von Stein said.

"It is hoped this will relieve some of the crowded conditions now existing in the home building and provide space for new personnel expected because of increased manning requirements," Von Stein continued.

The 937th picked up 51 additional personnel in October including three officers and 48 airmen.

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS FOR NOVEMBER UTA

SATURDAY

0830	Open Ranks Inspection	East Ramp
0830 - 1100	In Processing	Class Room 1 & 3
0915	Pickup Chamber of Commerce	at Officer's Club
0945	Dedicate Aircraft	North Ramp
1015	Brief Tour of Facilities	Bldg 1030
1100	Return Chamber of Commerce Briefing & Luncheon	to Officer's Club
1000 - 1200	305 Aerial Port Flt, Group Hdqs and Tac Dispensary Commander's Call & GMT	Aircrew Briefing Room
1230 - 1530	Firing Range (Aircrew Personnel only)	Base Firing Range
1315	Security Orientation Test	Classroom 2 & 4
1330 - 1400	OJT Supervisor's Meeting	Classrooms 1 & 3
1330 - 1600	Physical Fitness Testing (See Schedule for age groups)	Hangar Floor
1445 - 1645	937 Materiel Sq Commander's Call & GMT	Aircrew Briefing Room
1645	Retreat Materiel Sq	East Ramp

SUNDAY

0800 - 1200	Testing	Building 200
0830 - 1100	Physical Fitness Testing (See Schedule for age groups)	Hangar Floor
0830 - 1130	Firing Range (Air crew Personnel only)	Base Firing Range
1230 - 1530	Firing Range - Second Order (Air crew Personnel only)	Base Firing Range
1300 - 1500	937 Cmbt Spt Sq Commander's Call & GMT	Aircrew Briefing Room
1400 - 1630	Physical Fitness Testing (See Schedule for age groups)	Hangar Floor
1530	Debriefing by Inspector General	Aircrew Briefing Room
1645	Retreat - Tac Dispensary Group Hdqs Sq	East Ramp