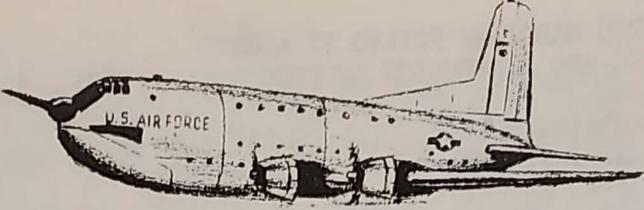


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FORTY-FOUR OFFICERS AND AIRMEN HONORED DURING ANNUAL PARADE AND REVIEW DAY

Forty-four officers and airmen of the 937th were given medals at summer camp ceremonies conducted at the base parade grounds last Saturday.

The Southeast Asia medals are for flight crew personnel who have made trips into the combat zone in the last several months.

The men received the honor at the annual parade and review conducted by the 937th with the aid of the CONAC band which was on hand to play for the Military Ball held that same night.

The following is a list of the officers and airmen who received the medal:

Lt Col Robert J. Macauley, Maj Richard E. Miner, Lt Col Edward A. Planta, Maj S.M. Stough, Maj James J. Smith, Capt R.B. Staigmiller, Capt R.J. Walters, Maj Jessel V. Williams, Lt Col Geroge H. Bergmark, Jr. and Capt Samuel Homich.



Summer camp wouldn't be summer camp without lines, and no line was like the in-processing line.

Also, Capt Sidney T. Shore, Capt F.H. Wingate, Capt Roger L. Stephens, Capt Duane P. Ylvisaker, Capt Glenn O. Johnson, Jr., Maj Richard M. Eden, Capt Billy L. Medley, and Capt Kenneth R. Stewart.

Others included, TSgt H.L. Travis, MSgt T.R. Phillips, TSgt J.A. Alexander, SSgt R.C. Gibbons, Jr., MSgt James H. Walker, MSgt Warren C. Rose, and MSgt William H. Morrison.

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SIMULATED SABOTAGE FOILED BY ALERT MECHANIC AND AIR POLICE SECTION

A simulated sabotage of a C-124 aircraft was foiled last week when an alert flight crew mechanic stopped a planted saboteur and challenged his right to be on the ramp near the plane.

Maj Jack Burnett played the role of the saboteur and was successful in gaining entrance to the ramp area and the parked C-124's because one of the air police on duty "knew him."

He was wearing a flight suit and flight line badge belonging to someone else which did authorize him to pass the air police who are keeping unauthorized personnel off the ramp.

The effort was designed to see how quickly the Air Police on duty could apprehend someone who had illegally gained access to the planes, and the exercise proved successful.

Maj Burnett got about 50 yards from the aircraft toward the 937th hangar before two AP's had him leaning against an auto and frisking him.

A second man also gained access to the 124's because of the diversion created when Burnett began running from the scene and was captured.

This second man was also aided by the crew of still and TV photographers on the ramp to cover the exercise. While the activity surrounding the capture of Burnett was underway the alternate saboteur was able to find his way to his target.

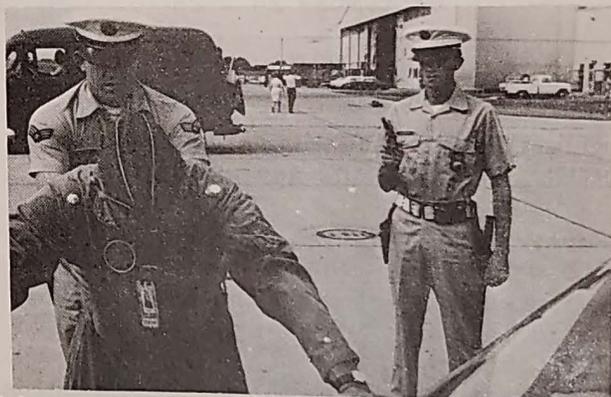
The second man was used to insure someone getting past the check point so the most important part of the exercise could be accomplished, that of a quick capture of the invader.

GENERAL MOTORS TV SPECIAL

A nationwide television special is on the docket for the month of September concerning safety. The General Motors one hour documentary is entitled "Destination Safety." All 937th members are urged to check their TV schedules for this presentation.

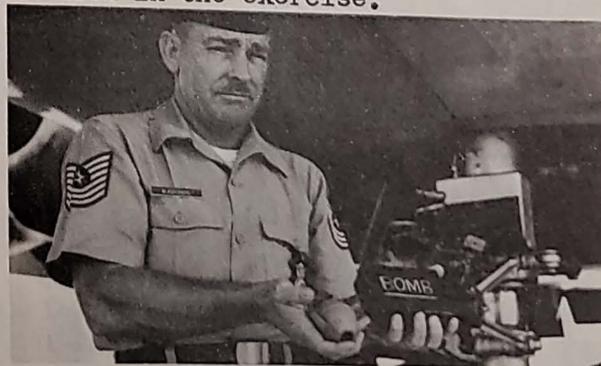


SSgt Bagby calls for aid from the AP's patrolling the ramp.



Saboteur Burnett is frisked while under arrest.

MSgt Blackshere displays the gernade and bomb used in the exercise.





Airman Chatman conducts M-16 class near firing range.

SHADES OF BUCK ROGERS 937TH TAKES A LOOK AT THE NEW M-16

The Buck Rogers era has finally caught up with the 937th, or vice versa, and the unit is now being introduced to the newest weapon used by the military forces in Viet Nam.

The weapon, manufactured by Colt and called the M-16, has a straight line stock, pistol grip, specially designed hand shield and a flash suppressor at the muzzle's end which contribute to the Buck Rogers look.

Adding to the image are some of the advanced features which the new system brings to the fighting man. Its weight is 5.5 pounds, .223 caliber, rust proof, can be cleaned with soap and water, disassembled in 10 seconds or less and is made of new materials.

The stock is made of heat and impact resistant fiberglass, the sight is a standard military peep and post, the weapon fires 800 rounds per minute (14 per second) on full automatic and has an effective range up to 500 yards.

Another bold innovation is the flat trajectory of the cartridge which is effective up to 170 yards because of the 3,250 feet per second velocity.

The cartridge (ammunition) is probably the most advanced feature of the weapon. More powder is packed into the shell and the projectile is made of copper coated lead.

The projectile is designed so the copper coating disintegrates on contact and the lead core explodes causing a shrapnel type effect in the target when struck.

One of the features most appreciated by the "foot soldier" is that the M-16 is virtually maintenance free. No oil is needed on any part with one small exception and that is only needed twice yearly.

When the weapon needs cleaning, the rust proof alloys permit the use of soap and water. All metal areas are permanently oil treated.

Malfunctions are extremely rare because of the simple design and because of the alloys used. The M-16 can fire
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COMBINATION SHOULDER-LAP SEAT BELTS PROVEN TO BE MOST EFFECTIVE AND SAFER

Six miles per hour.

An insignificant speed. One travels that fast backing a car out of a driveway. Its insignificant, unless you have the misfortune to crash at that speed.

The jarring force of a 6 m.p.h. collision is graphically illustrated in demonstrations at Air Force installations.

A vehicle equipped with combination shoulder-lap seat belts is set at the top of a 27-foot ramp. Rolling down a 19 per cent grade under the pull of gravity, the vehicle is yanked to a stop at the end of a tether.

Seconds lapse between start of forward motion and the sudden stop. Passengers report a sharp jerk of the head, but the belts hold the body in place. Shock of the quick stop is absorbed by the seat belts.

Object of the demonstration is to emphasize to large numbers of people the value of seat belts in a safe but jarring manner.

Safety officials say the combination shoulder-lap seat belts offer greater protection than either belt used alone. A driver involved in an accident wearing the lap belt may find the body held in place at the hips while the upper portion of the body snaps forward.

Wearing the shoulder belt under the same conditions, impact may cause the individual to slide out from under the belt. The combination shoulder-lap belt is designed to prevent both possibilities from happening.

Six m.p.h. is not a great speed. But it is great enough to inflict permanent injury.

Install belts. Use them. Even at 6 m.p.h.

FORTY-FOUR MEDALS GIVEN...

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Also, MSgt Ralph L. Worthington, Sr., SSgt Richard L. Sturgeon, SMSgt Doyle R. Sitton, SSgt Kenneth P. Rountree, MSgt Ernest E. Lupp, TSgt Byron R. Toalson, A1C Francis O. Beavers, Jr., TSgt Edgar J. Clark, and TSgt Robert E. Frusher.

Others were, MSgt Lowell L. Hilger, SSgt L.E. Brewer, Jr., SSgt Larry D. Smith, SSgt James J. Young, MSgt Lloyd J. Garvey, MSgt Herbert R. Horne, TSgt Thad A. Devlin, TSgt Edward S. Grace, A1C Walter L. Harrah, and A1C Larry L. Platt.

SHADES OF BUCK ROGERS

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single rounds as well as fully automatic.

Small arms instructor, A1C Clark Chatman, says the new weapon has the power to clear a hole in a cinder block wall large enough for a man to go through with only 20 rounds.

He also cites another example and says the power of the cartridge will cause sand to explode at 100 yards.

Chatman reports that the unit members will not be qualifying with the M-16 during summer camp because of the need for ammunition in Viet Nam.

He hopes the supply of cartridges will be available shortly after the first of 1967, and then the Buck Rogers era will have a new meaning to all members of the 937th.

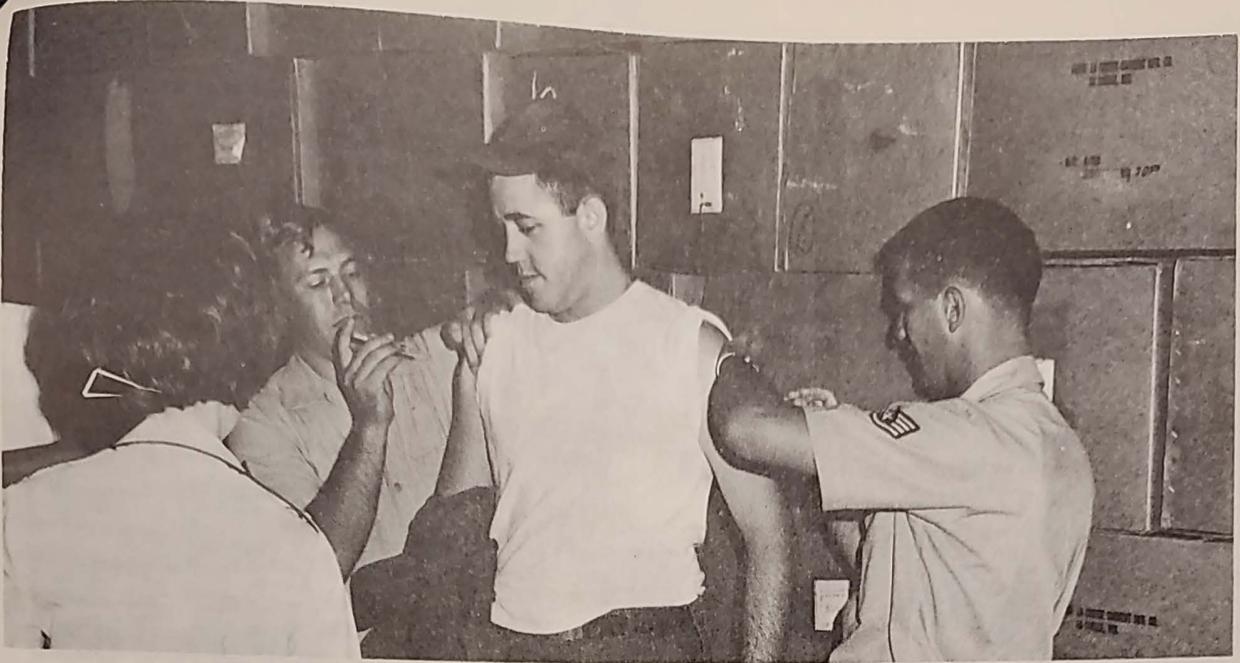
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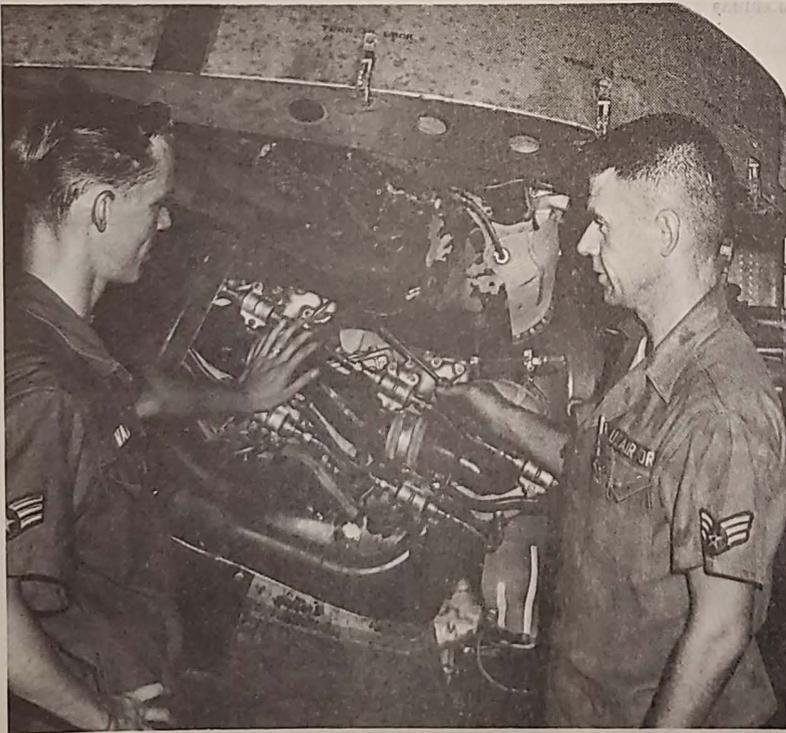
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SSgts McPherson and Price of the 937th Dispensary greeted in-processors with the fact that shot records had to be brought up to date.

Summer Camp Hi/Lites

Constant maintenance checks insure air ready engines. A1C Wade and Handside replace work spark plugs.



Summer camp found A1C Chapman of the AP Section on duty guarding the 937th ramp area.

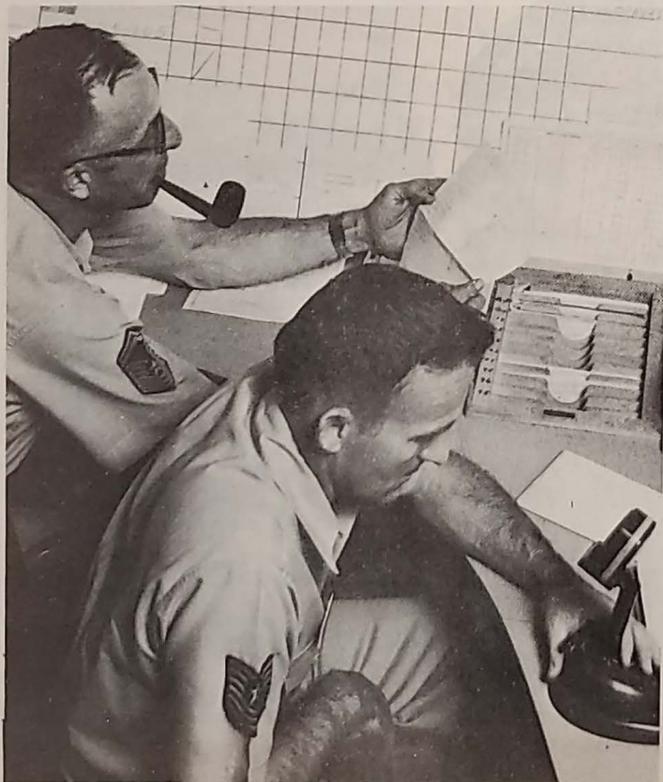




937th firemen were kept in practice with simulated aircraft fires.

...and more

CMS Young and MSgt Herron handle maintenance control duties - saving crews many extra steps.



I thought I saw a Dove fly into Lt Hope's window.

