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## UTA DATES

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**Lt Col William E. Stealey**

## TWO 937TH LOADMASTERS SAVE CAPTAIN'S LIFE

Quick thinking on the part of two 937th airmen help save the life of a Civil Air Patrol Captain.

Airmen 2C William D. Crain and Brian Wells were among the crew that picked up 125 C.A.P. members at Allison AFB, Alaska. On the return trip the Captain had a mild heart attack and Crain and Wells provided aid until a nurse could be found.

The C.A.P.'ers were on annual encampment. The 937th picked them up at March AFB, Calif.

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## OPERATIONS GETS NEW BOSS

Lt Col William E. Stealey joined the 937th MAG as commander of operations 5 Sept 1967, replacing Lt Col Dexter Taylor who went to work for FAA.

Stealey comes to the 937th from the 935th at Richards Gebaur where he was in charge of operations and training.

He has more than 7,000 flying hours and has been in uniform since 1940. Formerly he was affiliated with the reserve unit at Davis Field, Muskogee.



## DIAGNOSIS FOR PILL TAKING DRIVERS

Taking pills for that hay fever? Or diet pills--or maybe a little cough syrup? Think twice before you drive!

Drugs--even those sold over-the-counter--can cause drowsiness. Or make you dizzy, confused. Or blur your vision. Your reaction time may slow down. You may even feel "wonderful" --too wonderful!

In a car, any one of these side effects can make the difference between life and death every 12 hours on the highway--and an injury a minute--can be traced to use of "safe" drugs.

Ask your doctor about side effects of pills he prescribes. Then remember that those pills have to mix with your very own set of nerves. Another thing. You may not react the same way to a drug the second time you take it.

If you buy a "pain-killer" at the local drug store, read the label. It should tell you what to look for.

Above all, if you don't feel "quite right" --don't get behind that wheel. Wait a few hours. The time you lose may save a life--yours!

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## Chaplin's Corner



### YOUR PRIVILEGE TO WORSHIP

Ever since man began recording his memories in what we call history, the need for people to worship God has been apparent. From gathering around a totem to the most elaborate service in a cathedral, worship has been a primary response to a man-God relationship. Never before has there been such unlimited opportunities for this response.

Unlimited, this is, except on UTA weekends; because, of necessity, there are some limitations placed on a worship activity. Certain jobs simply have to be at certain times. This may preclude church attendance.

But by and large, most of us are able, if we really want, to worship during UTA. Services are not held within the Group itself, but the base chapel has a varied schedule of services to meet the needs of both Protestants and Catholics. You may also be able to attend a church of particular denomination in Midwest City.

There are, no doubt, some men who use the excuse of "church" to "cut out" for an hour. This is unavoidable and a sad commentary on the integrity of those who do this. The Air Force gives you the privilege (indeed, encourages you) to attend church -- depending on the individual requirements of your job. Don't abuse the privilege. Use it.

### OOPS, SORRY ABOUT THAT !

Years ago, Jimmy Doolittle was landing a pursuit plane at Selfridge Field and wrecked the landing gear.

On the report form, where the cause of the accident is required, he wrote: "pilot suddenly ran out of experience."



## AME NURSES COMPLETE PARTIAL TRAINING

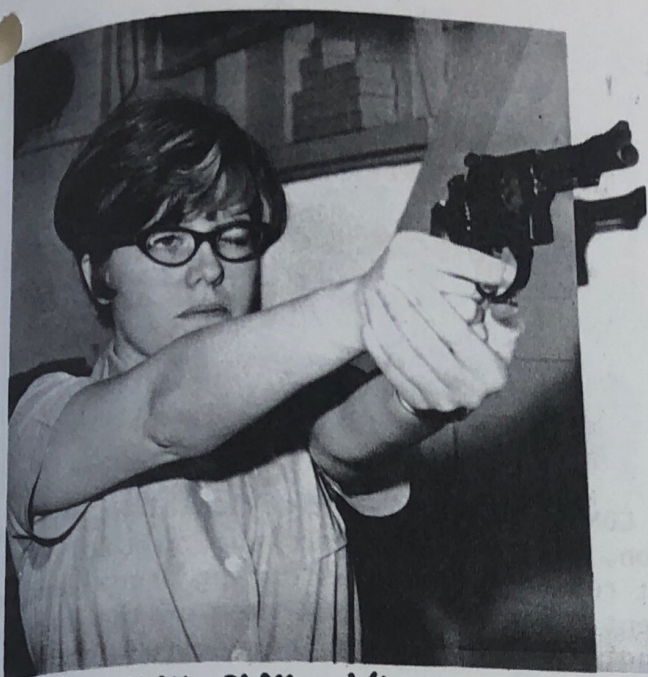
Three Aero-Medical Evacuation nurses were extra busy during the 937th's annual encampment.

1st Lt Mary Ann Smith, 1st Lt Carolyn Bruner and 2nd Lt Katherine Schmees completed another training segment toward becoming qualified as AME nurses.

Annual encampment training included qualifying with a pistol and mastering the emergency escape exit slide.

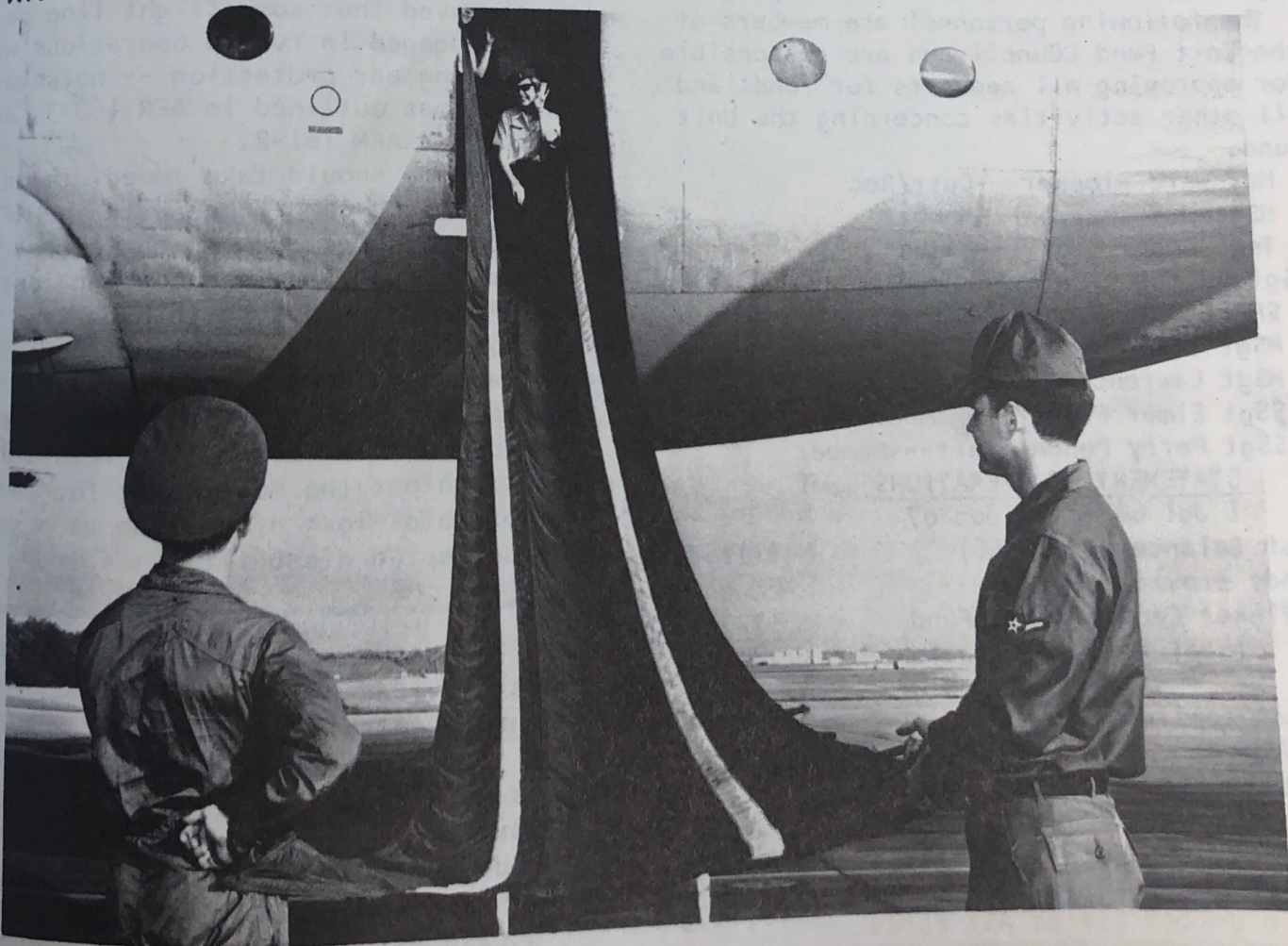
Soon these three plus Capt Iris Pinkston will venture to Brooks AFB, Tex to attend the School of Aero-Space Medicine.

In civilian life all four serve as nurses in various hospitals. Capt Pinkston is located in Sparks Memorial in Fort Smith, Ark -- Lt Bruner at Baptist Memorial, OKC -- Lt Smith at Veterans Administration, OKC -- Lt Schmees at University Hospital.



**BLAM, BLAM, BLAM---**1/Lt Mary Ann Smith draws a mean bead on the target.

**WHAT'D YOU SAY?---**2/Lt Karhrine A. Schmees gets ready for a practice run down the emergency slide exit as part of her training for her job with the 937th's Air Evacuation Section.





# 937th MAG UNIT WELFARE FUND OPERATIONS REPORT FOR FISCAL YEAR 1967

The 937th MAG Unit Welfare Fund is a non-appropriated fund which operates in religious, morale, welfare or recreation activities as authorized in AFR 176-1 and AFR 176-2.

All income into our fund comes from our share of the Tinker Central Base fund. Our share of the Tinker Fund is computed by using the number of active members that are on board.

AFR 176-2 lists the following criteria for disbursement from the fund:

1. Improvement of unit mess
2. Purchase of labor saving devices and articles not available through military supply channels
3. Purchase of authorized distinctive insignia or uniform trimmings for use w/o cost to enlisted men of the unit
4. Cash awards or property awards for proficiency in competitive military and recreational activities
5. For other moral and welfare programs

The following personnel are members of the Unit Fund Council and are responsible for approving all requests for funds and all other activities concerning the Unit Fund.

Maj Ward Blocker---Cust/Rec  
MSgt J.M. Herron---Member  
Tsgt Edgar Clark---Member  
SSgt Russal Brawley---Member  
SMSgt John Brooke---Member  
MSgt Thaddeous Johnson---Member  
MSgt Lawrence McCall---Member  
SSgt Elmer Palmer---Member  
SSgt Perry Pendergraft---Member

## STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

1 Jul 66 to 30 Jun 67

Cash Balance (1 Jul 66) \$111.74

Funds provided by:

Tinker Central Base Fund	727.18
total funds available	838.92

Funds applied to:

Awards	\$ 44.61
Chaplain	21.50
Group Party	308.50
Mess Hall Supplies	73.18
	447.79
Cash Balance 30 Jun 67	\$391.13



CONGRATULATIONS---MSgt Daniel N. Wax, Lawton, gets a hearty accolade from Col Huff at retreat ceremonies during annual encampment. Wax was named Airmen of the Quarter and was cited before the entire group.

## PROTECT YOUR HEARING

During a recent visit to various 22AF units by members of the 22AF Staff, it was observed that some flight line personnel engaged in run-up operations were not wearing ear protection -- noise attenuators as outlined in AFR 160-3, AFM 127-101 and AFM 161-2.

Commanders should take immediate action to insure compliance with the AF ear protection program which was developed to guard against hearing loss resulting from exposure to high intensity sound. The results of non-compliance are usually not immediately apparent; however, the failure to use these protective devices can result in claims against the Government for partial or total loss of hearing as a service connected disability.

Cash Balance-1 Jul 67-26 Aug 67 \$391.13

Funds provided by:

Tinker Central Base Fund	473.57
Total funds available	864.70

Funds Applied to:

Awards	\$ 29.50
Group Party	148.94
Mess Hall Supplies	61.80
	240.24
Cash Balance 26 Aug 67	\$624.46