



THE
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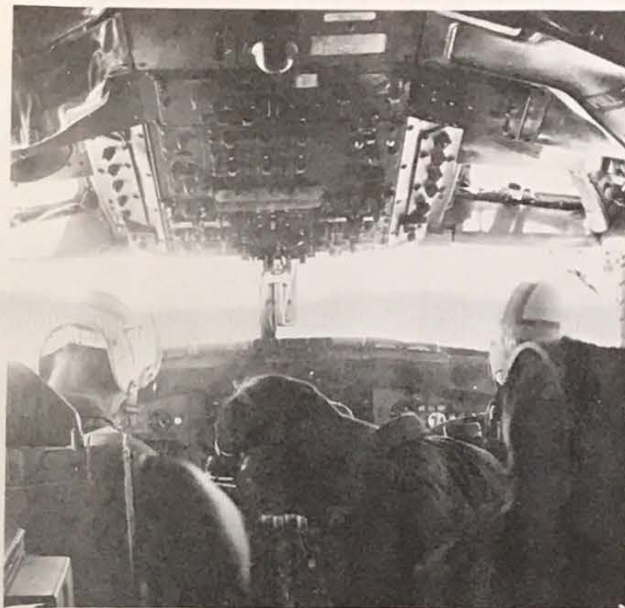


OASIS IN THE SKY



Those eight Thunderchiefs shown on the cover have just gulped down about 9,000 lbs. of jet fuel each.

Aerial refueling, as viewed from a KC-135 Tanker (see cover): at right, Boom Operator SSgt. Jackie Park, flat on his stomach, guides the boom for a rendezvous with a thirsty Thunderchief, 27,000 feet above New Mexico until (middle photo) a good connection is made and the fuel flow begins. Sergeant Park and other members of the 11th Aerial Refueling Squadron, Altus AFB, Okla., teamed up to refuel 16 F-105 Thunderchiefs from Det 507 bound for Nellis AFB, Nev., during the first week of Summer Camp.



1Lt William N. Northcutt (left in upper photo) and Lt. Col. Joseph White, Jr., piloted one tanker in the refueling operation. Each tanker has the capability of carrying 200,000 pounds of jet fuel—enough for plenty of Thunderchiefs. Despite the cancellation of one of the three tankers originally scheduled for the mission, the remaining two KC-135's were able to off-load enough fuel to get the 16 Thunderchiefs to Nellis AFB, Nev., where they conducted training strikes against simulated desert targets.



(U.S. Air Force Photographs by Capt. Perry D. Fletcher)



THE
TRADING
POST

The 'Trading Post' is a regular column for announcements and advertisements of a personal nature for the benefit of Det 507 personnel.

As required by governing Air Force regulations, no advertisement of a commercial nature will be accepted.

There is no charge for any ad placed.

MAPLE twin bed, headboard, mattress, springs, 5-dwr chest-excellent condition 732-0041 - \$150

BROWNING, "sweet sixteen", Imp Cyl, Vent rib. Exc Cond-Sgt Straughan, 794-4172

CALORIC Built-In Counter Top Gas Range and Oven-Millsap, 771-3865

16' SAILBOAT and trailer-Ribble Scout, \$350-TSgt Lott, 769-5467

COLOR 18" Zenith TV-excellent condition. \$195. Jay Closner/Ops/341-9505

BSR Stereo Turntable-\$28. Jay Closner Ops/341-9505

FISHING boat, 14 ft, 18hp evinrude motor, Gibson "Tict" trailer. \$350 Oden/381-3546

RADIAL tires, LR 70x15 - \$50 for 5. Wade/Flt Line/733-2140

HONDA 1970 350CV, sissybar, luggage rack. \$450. Wade/Flt Line/733-2140

1968 PONTIAC GTO 326 3 Barrel Engine \$150. Paul Qualls/CBPO/634-1626

SMALL Desk, red antique finish-3 dwrs with pull-out writing tray. \$30. Barbara Nelson/CBPO/677-4675

FORMER reservist wishes to give away his dress blue uniform FREE (39S blouse; 33x29 pants; 7 1/4 bill cap). Ted McMurry;Log, 279-3781 Meeker.

LIVE & LEARN

by Chaplain
Robert Helmich

Christian's Checkbooks Show Life Styles

The following item attracted my attention as metal to magnate....The Stubs of an old checkbook: "In an address on the art of biography, Philip Guedalla, an eminent practitioner of the art, said that the hardest problem a biographer has to discover just what his subject really was as a person. "It is comparatively easy,"

he said, "to find out what he did, and what he said, and where he went." But, what kind of man he really was is a different matter.

Mr. Guedalla gave as an instance his own problem in writing his biography of the Duke of Wellington.

"What," he asked himself, "would be trustworthy evidence of the kind of man Wellington actually was?"

He says that he found such unimpeachable evidence when he came across the stubs of Wellington's old checkbooks.

He was right, wasn't he? What could be more trustworthy evidence about us than the stubs of our old checkbooks?

For there is evidence of what we really care for. The question is, how would we like to look over the stubs of our checkbooks?

What sort of person would they show us to be?

Then, what really ought the stubs of our checkbook show if it is to be said:

"This is the checkbook of a Christian?"