



### Moves, retirements

# Senior shift takes place

SCOTT AFB, IL—Starting this month and during the next two months, Air Weather Service (AWS) will experience several senior officer changes. Nine men will fill new positions and two will

retire, according to Military Airlift Command Personnel officials.

Col. Joe R. O'Neal will leave the Air Force Global Weather Central (AFGWC), Offutt AFB, NE, as chief of production this month to

become the 5th Weather Wing (WW) vice commander, Langley AFB, VA.

In August Col. Charles O. Jenista Jr. shifts from being the 7WW commander to take command of the 2WW, Kapaun Bks, Germany, replacing Col. Wilson J. Boaz, who retires in September.

Also in August Col. Robert W. Fanning leaves the 2WW vice commander position in Europe to replace Colonel Jenista as 7WW commander here. Col. Frank D. Reeder moves from being 2WW's chief of Operations to become the unit's vice commander and Col. Robert M. Chamberlain arrives from AWS to fill Colonel Reeder's vacated Operations position.

Col. Salvatore R. LeMole, now 20WS commander, Yokota AB, Japan, will replace Colonel Chamberlain as AWS deputy chief of staff for Operations.

In September three moves and two major retirements will take place. In addition to Colonel Boaz' retirement, Col. Leonard E. Zapinski, 5WW commander, Langley AFB, VA, will retire from military service. Col. Joseph D. Saccone, now the 5WW vice commander, will move up to the unit's command position.

Col. Walter M. Dale, present 7WS commander, Heidelberg, Germany, returns to the United States in September to join the MAC Plans staff as deputy director of Studies and Analysis. Colonel Dale will be succeeded by Lt. Col. John J. Elliff, now the staff weather officer, 24WS, Randolph AFB, TX.

### SMSgt. A. Ketterling

## NCO Detco at Ellsworth

ELLSWORTH AFB, SD—A maintenance superintendent, SMSgt. Arthur Ketterling, has a second title. He is detachment commander (Detco) of Detachment 6, 6th Weather Squadron, Ellsworth AFB, SD.

Sergeant Ketterling began his military career in 1957 and has been maintaining weather equipment ever since. He served twice at Carswell AFB, TX; twice at Chanute AFB, IL; and had single tours of duty at Kadena AB, Japan; Wiesbaden AB, Germany; and Nakhom Phanom RTAFB, Thailand before coming here.

He and his wife Marlene have two children, Larry, who is an Air Force fireman, and Korina, a second grader.



SMSgt. Ketterling



WHAT COULD cause the smiles of four weather people in the March AFB, CA, commissary? The smiles belong to A1C Barbara Perry, in civilian clothes, front, and left to right in back, SSGT Lonnie Dixon, Lt. Col. Walton F. Perrine and Lt. Col. Billy L. Moore? The cause may be found on page 8. (U.S. Air Force photo by Sgt. Robert E. Gillette)



SHE LEFT things in a mess all over Guam. But as bad as things were, weather men and their proficiency at their trade kept the killer, Typhoon Pamela, from adding to her toll. See the full story on pages 4 and 5. (U.S. Air Force photo by SSGT. Ed Sanders)

### Tops in MAC

## AWS leads AFA way

SCOTT AFB, IL—When the 1976 Air Force Association (AFA) drive ended in the Military Airlift Command, one out of every four people in Air Weather Service was an AFA member. In participation percentage AWS headquarters led MAC and AWS led all other MAC organizations.

Among MAC organizations AWS had a 23.5 per cent participation followed by the Aerospace Rescue and Recovery Service (17.5), 89th Military Airlift Wing (15.4), 375th Aeromedical Airlift Wing (14.1), Aerospace Audiovisual Service (11.2), 21st Air Force (10.6) and 22nd Air Force (10.5).

The highest percentage of participation within AWS, other than the headquarters (53.6) is at Air Force Global Weather Central (27.2) followed by 1st Weather Wing (25.2), 5WW (24.2), 3WW (20.2), 2WW (18.1) and 7WW (14.1).

Percentages were derived according to the number of persons in an organization belonging to AFA in relation to the numerical size of the unit or headquarters.

This year MAC had as its goal the gaining of 2,500 new members. That goal was passed by 902 when

3,402 new members were gained. Of the new members gained, 402 are in AWS.



AMONG THE FIRST women to receive Career Education Certificates from the Community College of the Air Force is TSgt. Eleanor B. Funk, Detachment 12, 24th Weather Squadron, Sheppard AFB, TX. The 18-year weather veteran is an NCO Academy graduate and now studies toward a degree in meteorology through Midwestern University. (U.S. Air Force photo)

## Barnhill gets Academy nod

CLARK AB, RP—Jon T. Barnhill, son of Lt. Col. and Mrs. Robert J. Barnhill, Detachment 5, 1st Weather Wing, recently accepted an appointment to the U.S. Air Force Academy.

Jon attended schools at Whiteman AFB, MO; Ramey AFB, PR; in Chicago; Bellevue, NE; North Little Rock, AR; Belleville, IL; and last month graduated from the Wagner High School here.

# Happy birthday America!

# Command line

## 'Youth seeks AF values, we must show them'

In a luncheon discussion with a small group of people just starting their careers in Air Weather Service and the Air Force, I was asked, "If we could give you three things, what would you ask for?"

I'll admit frankly that the question came as a considerable surprise, because the usual type of questions during such informal discussions center on things that the AWS and Air Force can do for individuals—NOT what the individuals can do for AWS and the Air Force.

For the record, I'll share with you the answers to the question: First, an honest day's work for the pay earned; second, good management—that is to say, a responsible performance by those in positions of responsibility; and third, help AWS do its job better—including new ways of doing it.

I'll not dwell on those three answers, for my objective here is to highlight something fundamental to us and to our country, which I saw in such a

question. That is: a willingness to make personal commitment a part of our life. Such quality appears to be increasingly characteristic of the young people joining our service.

Such quality is absolutely vital to the future of AWS, the Air Force and even our Nation, itself. All of us in positions of responsibility at every level must recognize that our young people are seeking an opportunity to make such a commitment.

The very act of enlistment indicates that our young men

and women think a career in the Air Force offers values to which they can make a personal commitment. We who have long since made our decision to follow an Air Force career must be ever mindful that we are being observed by our young people—they are looking for evidence that they, too, should make such a commitment.

So I challenge each of you to conduct yourself each and every day in a way that will provide that evidence. We can do no less, for we have chosen to



Brig. Gen. Berry W. Rowe  
AWS Commander

become a part of a military profession which has contributed so much to the successful 200 years of our Nation's existence which we celebrate this month of July 1976.

# Enlisted line

## EM Detcos, station chiefs

## '12 now, more to come'

"How are the enlisted detachment commander (Detco) and station chief assignments and programs going?" This is a frequently asked question. For this reason I will give you a status report.

We now have five NCO Detcos in place who are making the program a success. They are SMSgts.

Forrest E. Gray, Norris Smalls, Arthur Ketterling and Roger E. Graffa at Ft. Leonard Wood, MO; Yokota AB, Japan; Ellsworth AFB, SD; and Buckley Field, CO, respectively and MSgt. Roger G. Seyfert, Grafenwohr, Germany.

### More selections

Brig. Gen. Berry W. Rowe has selected four more NCOs to

become Detcos and the year and month they should assume the duty is shown in parenthesis. They are CMSgt. Will E. Cosby, Detachment 1, 6th Weather Squadron, Kelly AFB, TX (7608); SMSgt. Alfred D. Willis, Det. 4, 5WS, Ft. Meade, MD (7608); MSgt. Manley R. Biggerstaff, Det. 4, 7WS, Schwabach Hall, Germany (7704); and MSgt. Alfred L. Schwigel, Det. 11, 7WS, Coleman Bks., Germany (7707).

Recently AWS identified 10 more units to become part of the NCO Detco Program. They are Det. 6, 12WS, Peterson AFB, CO—E9 (7707); Det. 8, 15WS, McClellan AFB, CA—E9 (7807); Det. 13, 16WS, Ft. Eustis, VA—E9 (7710); Det. 5, 16WS, Ft. Knox, KY—E9 (7801); Det. 14, 7WW, Norton AFB, CA—E9 (7801); Det. 31, 3WS, Dobbins AFB, GA—E9 (7801); Det. 16, 24WS, Webb AFB, TX—E8 (7804); Det. 12, 5WS, Ft. Devens, MA—E8 (7810); Det. 3, 7WW, Charleston AFB, SC—E9 (7901); and Det. 21, 24WS, Craig AFB, AL—E9 (7907). If weather units do not remain at Webb and Craig AFBs, Detco assignments there, naturally, will be revised.

A coming change to AFM 39-11 will explain how a person may volunteer for future NCO Detco assignments and publication of the change will be announced by AWS message.

### Station chiefs

Much progress is also being made in the station chief

program. In general, the station chief selections are through the normal assignment process.

There are now seven NCOs in station chief assignments. They are CMSgts. Earl W. Langhorne and Kenneth E. Pineau at Heidelberg, Germany and Torrejon, Spain, respectively.

Other assigned NCO station chiefs are SMSgts. Leland K. Maier, Paul K. Yeoman and Elmer C. Weir at Mountain Home AFB, ID; Hickam AFB, HI; and Andersen AFB, Guam, respectively. Master sergeants filling the position are Charles V. Blankenship at Aviano AB, Italy and Donald E. Georgie, RAF Lakenheath, UK.

Identified to become station chiefs are MSgt. Creighton L. Bryant (Spangdahlem AB, Germany—7608), SMSgt. George A. McNeill (Hahn AB, Germany—7608); MSgt. Harvey R. Hurtt (Zweibrücken, Germany—7609); SMSgt. Loren M. Stoltz (Eielson AFB, AK—7611); MSgt. Dale E. Kipple (Kunsan AB, Korea—7701); CMSgt. Kenneth E. Pineau (Osan AB, Korea—7701); MSgt. Johnny L. Baxter (Bitburg AB, Germany—7702); and MSgt. Jerry D. Farley (Finthen, Germany—7709).

### More locations

More locations for station chiefs are programmed. Station chiefs will eventually be, in Germany, at Kitzingen, Feucht, Ramstein,



CMSgt. Howard M. Bock  
AWS Senior Enlisted Advisor

Rhein-Main and Hanau; at Shemya, AK; in the United Kingdom at Mildenhall, Upper Heyford, Bentwaters, and Alconbury; at Lajes, Azores; in Japan at Yokota and Kadena, at Clark AB, RP; Yong San, Korea; and Howard AFB, CZ.

In addition, AWS is programming the conversion of 96 U.S. detachments to the station chief program over the next four years.

Nineteen NCO Detco and 127 station chief positions are now identified.

Things are moving much faster than expected and the only item that might impair our progress is a forecaster shortage.

The management and supervisory jobs will be available so I urge you to prepare now. In particular I urge our experienced chief observers to gain a 3AAR-25170 class date as soon as possible.

The sooner you complete forecaster school, the sooner you will be ready to fill a Detco or station chief position.

# Top-Stripe

CMSgt. DONALD K. FRY  
SENIOR ENLISTED ADVISOR  
A.F. GLOBAL WEATHER CENTRAL  
OFFUTT AFB, NE



EXCEPT FOR A SHORT BREAK IN SERVICE HE HAS BEEN A WEATHERMAN SINCE 1948.

OVERSEAS IN ALEUTIAN ISLANDS, BERMUDA, FRANCE, VIETNAM, AND JAPAN.

HE WAS THE INITIAL 1st WEATHER GROUP CHIEF OBSERVER WITH THE UNIT ACTIVATED IN SEA IN 1966.

THE FRY'S ARE FROM IOWA AND ARE THE PARENTS OF THREE DAUGHTERS AND A SON.

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# OBSERVATION

## WAPS changes for '78 cycle

RANDOLPH AFB, TX (AFNS)—Three major changes coming in the weighted airmen promotion system (WAPS) will affect many Air Weather Service enlisted people.

The changes take effect with the 1978 promotion schedule. E-6 and E-7 promotion cycles will be annually; E-5 promotion cycles will be Feb. 1 through July 1 and Aug. 1 through Jan. 1.

The third change increases minimum time-in-grade for consideration to E-6 through E-9 by 12 months.

## Brown gains seat again

WASHINGTON (AFNS)—President Gerald R. Ford said he plans to nominate Gen. George S. Brown for another two-year term as Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

General Brown became chairman in 1974.

## C-141 adds comforts

SCOTT AFB, IL (MNS)—Weather people flying aboard scheduled C-141 overseas passenger flights will find more comfort items aboard than before.

According to Military Airlift Command transportation officials, some C-141s now have snacks, better lighting, carpeting, coat racks, separate areas for passengers and cargo, better temperature control, smoking and no smoking areas and national magazines.

## Gifts out for all ranks

WASHINGTON (AFNS)—Deputy Defense Secretary William P. Clements Jr., says that conflict-of-interest prohibitions against accepting gratuities from defense contractors apply to everyone in the Armed Forces, including junior officers and NCOs.

He stressed that regulations prohibit such social amenities as free lunches and golf games. He gave this rationale: People are the biggest asset in the Defense Department and the American public has to have absolute confidence in all of our people.

## USAF gains main CPO

WASHINGTON (AFNS)—An Office of Civilian Personnel Operations (OCPO) will be established at Randolph AFB, TX. It will be co-located with the Air Force Military Personnel Center.

Centralized control of civilian personnel functions should provide more effective management in the employment, development and maintenance of civilian workers, officials said.

## Federal civilians shift

WASHINGTON (FNCS)—During the last five years a "significant shift" has occurred in the Federal civilian work force, according to a report by the Congressional Budget Office.

In 1970 the Department of Defense (DoD) had 41 per cent of the Federal civilian work force. In 1975 it had 37 per cent. The actual number of civilian employees at DoD has decreased by 12.7 per cent since 1970.

The report says, "The reduction of 151,955 in civilian employment in DoD since 1970 has almost been matched by a gain of 128,657 by Housing-Education-and-Welfare, Labor, Treasury, Justice and the Veterans Administration.

## Stretched C-141 tests

SCOTT AFB, IL (MNS)—Pre-modification flights are now being made by a Military Airlift Command C-141 Starlifter scheduled to be stretched 23 and one-half feet by adding two new fuselage sections. The aircraft will make a total of 22 such flights before it is stretched.

# Man receives medal; halts dangerous fire

EDWARDS AFB, CA—What began as a routine day for SSgt. Terry J. Bethke, Detachment 21, 2nd Weather Squadron, eventually led to his receiving the Air Force Commendation Medal for heroism.

Around noon a truck, partially filled with hydrogen, arrived at the rawinsonde section where Sergeant Bethke maintains weather equipment. Following safety rules, Sergeant Bethke acted as a spotter for the truck's

driver, directing him as the vehicle was backed into position.

Seconds after the truck began to park, a hose broke, spraying steering fluid on the hot manifold. Flames flashed and Sergeant Bethke went into action.

He ran to the maintenance section where he knew there was a CO2 fire extinguisher. On his way back he hesitated long enough to shout a warning to the other people in the area and tell a coworker to call the fire department.

Back at the truck Sergeant Bethke shouted, "Raise the hood." As it went up flames spewed out but the cool-headed NCO quickly put the fire out.

Later, fire officials said the weather man's quick thinking stopped what might have been a serious incident. They pointed out that within 35 feet of the burning hydrogen truck were four private automobiles, another truck, a hydrogen trailer and a building housing thousands of dollars worth of equipment.



DOING HIS NORMAL JOB is SSgt. Terry J. Bethke, Detachment 21, 2nd Weather Squadron, Edwards AFB, CA. He recently completed an abnormal job when he grabbed a fire extinguisher and doused a fire under the hood of a hydrogen laden truck which was about to park. For his action he received the Air Force Commendation Medal. (U.S. Air Force photo by Sgt. Leeotis N. Yarborough)

## Weather whys???

Weather Whys?? is a regular feature of the Air Weather Service Observer. The questions come from you and the answers come from the Air Weather Service commander and his staff.

If you have a question, send it to: Commander, Air Weather Service, Scott AFB, IL 62225. Each question will be answered, however all of the questions and answers may not be published in the Observer due to space limitations.

**Q.—When Chief (CMSgt. Howard M.) Bock visited my unit he said Air Weather Service was getting sufficient volunteers to fill forecaster school quotas six months in advance. I see AWS is now selecting non-volunteers. Why?**

**A.—** AWS has been advised by Headquarters U.S. Air Force that people on their first enlistment and those below the grade of sergeant could no longer attend 3AAR25170. This greatly reduced our pool of volunteers. About the same time we made assignments an average of 10 months in advance. We want to keep our school input in the same time frame and, of course, we must keep the class quotas filled. In addition, we are moving ahead very well in our station chief and enlisted Detco conversions. We needed to get more of our experienced chief observers ready to phase into these positions. The only possible solution was for AWS to exercise the options available and select non-volunteers.

**Q.—What is the outlook for the Air Route Traffic Control Center (ARTCC) programs? How can I let my desires for an ARTCC assignment be known?**

**A.—** The Kansas City ARTCC weather unit, Olathe, KS, will continue indefinitely. About March, 77, a weather unit will be added at the Fort Worth, TX, ARTCC. We will soon need replacements for the Olathe unit and people to fill the one at Fort Worth (a

master sergeant (MSgt.), two technical sergeants (TSgt.), two staff sergeants (SSgt.) 25170s and a SSgt. 25150). If you want an ARTCC assignment, complete an AF Form 392 at your consolidated base personnel office. Indicate the locations in the appropriate blocks and put "ARTCC FCSTR" in the "Duty Position Required" block then forward a duplicate of the form to AWS/CMS, Scott AFB, IL 62225.

**Q.—I am a parachutist qualified weather observer. Will there be any jump authorizations in the single career ladder?**

**A.—** Yes! AWS is converting P252X1 positions to P251X0. Authorizations and conversion dates are: Detachment 3, 5th Weather Squadron, Ft. Bragg, NC—two MSgt. and two TSgt. slots were converted; TSgt. and SSgt. slots convert in the third quarter of fiscal year 77; SSgt. slot converts in the first quarter of fiscal year 78; final conversion is a TSgt. slot in the third quarter of fiscal year 78. At Det. 75, 3WS, Hurlburt Fld, FL, a TSgt. and SSgt. slots convert in the third quarter of fiscal year 77; final conversions will be one TSgt. and one SSgt. slot in the first quarter of fiscal year 78. At Operating Location C, 7WS, Bad Tolz, Germany, two sergeant slots were converted; SSgt. slot will convert in the third quarter of fiscal year 78.

## Swap list

Three people indicate a desire to swap assignments with other persons holding the same specialty code (AFSC). They are:

25150—A1C Melinda Schrock, PSC-2 Box 6779, Offutt AFB, NE 68113. Wants any base around Southern California.

25150—A1C Dale A. Starks, 1310 Bundrant Nr. 504, Killeen, TX 76541. Wants Luke AFB, AZ.

25150—A1C Glenda D. Hunter, PSC 2793, Fairchild AFB, WA 99011. Wants anywhere on the East Coast.

## LET'S SWAP

Present wing: (Circle) 1 2 3 5 7 AFGWC

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CAFSC: \_\_\_\_\_ Base: \_\_\_\_\_

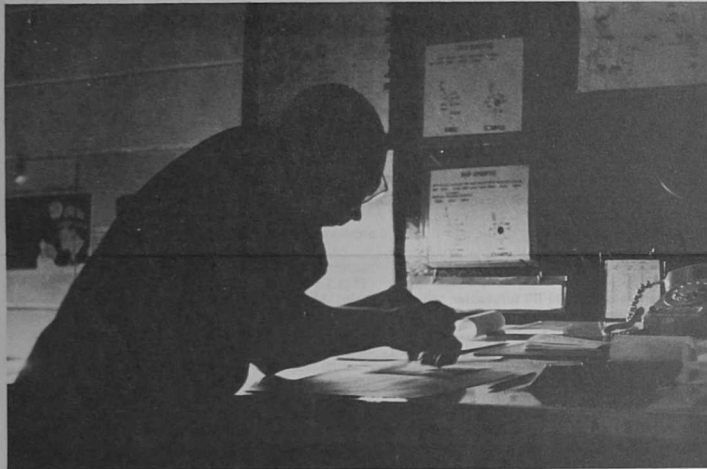
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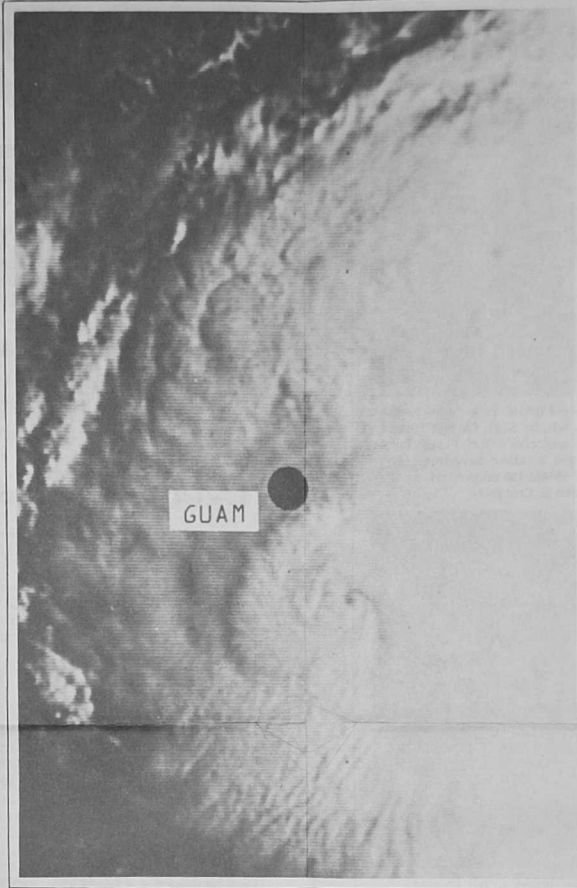
The eligibility rules for exchanging assignments are contained in AFR 39-11. If you meet the criteria and want to swap, fill coupon and send to: AWS/CMS, Scott AFB, IL, 62225.



A BIRD'S-EYE VIEW of the devastation left on Guam in the wake of Typhoon Pamela (top left). At Andersen AFB only four homes were destroyed and although there were several injuries, no deaths occurred.



INNOVATION replaced normal procedures in some cases during the visit to Guam by Typhoon Pamela. Observer A1C Doug Warabak, left, works by flashlight to record but one of 66 special observations made during the storm. He is a member of Detachment 2, 1st Weather Wing, Andersen AFB, Guam.



THE AWESOMENESS of super Typhoon Pamela as seen from a Defense Meteorological Satellite Program viewpoint. Cars, buildings and trees were destroyed at Andersen AFB but no lives were lost there.



WEATHER MEN and other Military Airlift Command people found their dormitory area looking like a scene from a World War II movie the day after Typhoon Pamela's winds got through (above). Trees were uprooted, automobiles turned over, flooded areas where lawns had been were seen in all directions.

THE PASSENGER TERMINAL at Andersen AFB, Guam, right, took on the look of a Port Terminal with the arrival of Typhoon Pamela. Here base workers take all possible steps to speed the drainage of the tons of water brought by the storm.

"OFF THE STREET" parking in the Andersen AFB officer's housing area, below, created distinct problems for some people when Typhoon Pamela had passed.



U.S. Navy, Air Force compliment units

# Weathermen ease Typhoon Pamela's destructiveness

ANDERSEN AFB, GUAM—On May 12, 1976, a small circulation formed near the Truk Islands, north of Australia. It was first seen by a Defense Meteorological Satellite monitored by Detachment 1, 1st Weather Wing, Nimitz Hill, Guam.

As the formation made a lazy loop around Truk it gained strength until, three days later, it became a typhoon—Typhoon Pamela, identified and watched by Guam's Joint Typhoon Warning Center (JTWC).

Pamela's story actually began at 9 p.m. on May 18. By that time she had shown a definite tendency toward a northwesterly track and people on Guam, were concerned.

According to Maj. Donald Bahr, Det. 2, 1WW, here, "The weather evacuation battle staff here was convened and a 'go' decision was made. Throughout that night aircraft and crews prepared and by 2:30 p.m. the next day were all enroute to Kadena AB, Japan. All except one, a lone unflyable B-52 had to be pointed into the wind to ride out the storm."

As Pamela spun ever closer to Guam, feverish preparations were made to withstand her fury. All loose objects were stored or tied down, water was collected in every available container, vehicles were moved to

revetments and final checks were made on critical communications and emergency equipment.

In Det. 2's weather station emergency generators were fueled, a refrigeration unit was used to help stretch radar use, extra people were scheduled to satisfy documentation requirements and rations were issued.

By noon, Friday, May 21st, Pamela's 120-knot winds, which gusted to 145 knots, were well over typhoon strength.

Travel outside was out of the question. This was the case until sunrise on Saturday.

By that time most briefing requirements were satisfied and analysis and documentation routines were set.

"We in Det. 2 continued to provide 30-minute updates to the American Forces radio station until it lost power at 2:30 p.m. Our own power went off three hours later but the weather station kept operating," Major Bahr said.

At Det. 1, on one landline and by means of a citizen's band radio operated by TSgt. "Robbie" Robertson, Pamela's size, orientation and probable duration of the eye were assessed.

Det. 2's FPS-77 storm detection radar failed at 2 p.m., about one and one-half hours before the eye of Pamela was over Guam.

The weather units on Guam never lost outside communications entirely. Det. 2 kept contact with the command post and airways by hotline and the JTWC used radio telephone to contact the alternate JTWC at Yokota AB, Japan.

Det. 2 made a total of 66 special and local observations on May 21. Winds were well over 100 knots and stayed that way for seven hours.

The noise was deafening.

Persons with families now had time to wonder if family housing preparations were adequate. Were the children crying? Were they safe? They were. Only four homes were destroyed but all had some wind and water damage.

During this period Det. 2 called observations and forecasts to Kadena AB until its transmit capability was restored. Twelve forecasters, observers and maintenance technicians were on duty from early Thursday morning until Saturday morning. The island was in typhoon condition-1 during the entire period.

"The assortment of flying debris and water that blew past the station during the storm had not prepared us for the destruction we saw when the sun rose Saturday morning," said Major Bahr.

Sheets of crumpled corrugated steel littered the

airfield, cars were overturned and smashed, whole buildings were gone, there was no vegetation except for a few down or leaning palm trees.

There was no time for sight-seeing. Fresh forecasters and observers were brought in and maintenance people began to survey the damage and estimate repair capability. The weather men knew massive amounts of airlifted material would be needed and the pilots bringing it would need weather data.

"By 9:20 a.m. . . . Major Bahr said, ". . . that was Sunday morning, the airfield was open to visual flight rule traffic. We had one workable wind set, a temperature and humidity device and one rotating beam ceilometer.

"The first aircraft landed at 1:01 p.m. and we were in business just in time—just in time to get ready for a possible evacuation of Kadena because Tropical Storm Olga, there, was rebuilding after having let up."

According to Major Bahr, communications and weather equipment at Guam is now near normal. He said the many innovative "fixes" on equipment represent a quality control nightmare, but it works and works safely, providing necessary information for safe airfield operation.

He continued, "I intentionally withheld names to assure that no one was left out in the telling of the story of

Typhoon Pamela. All our people responded totally and professionally before, during and after Super Typhoon Pamela's visit."

Timely and accurate advisories were given to the public at Guam through the island's radio station. Andersen AFB had few injuries and no deaths.

Major Bahr added, "That should be the end of this storm story—but it probably isn't. Our typhoon season begins in June; Pamela set her wind and rain records here in May."

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Gen. David C. Jones, Air Force Chief of Staff; Gen. Paul K. Carlton, Military Airlift Command commander; the Commander in Chief of Pacific forces, Admiral Noel Gayler; and Vice Admiral T. B. Hayward, Seventh Fleet commander, had words of praise for weather men and women in relation to the storms.

General Jones, in part, said, "I am proud of the outstanding performance of the Military Airlift Command in accomplishing every one of the tasked fixes on the simultaneous typhoons, Olga and Pamela, in spite of the complications resulting from the evacuation of weather reconnaissance forces from Guam due to Pamela."

To which General Carlton added, "The ac-

complishment of all assigned missions on two simultaneous typhoons, in spite of the reduction in resources experienced this fiscal year, is in the finest traditions of the U.S. Air Force and MAC. Your accomplishments are an example to others of the high state of readiness which all Air Force units must attain . . ."

Admiral Gayler said, "(I appreciate the outstanding efforts by Joint Typhoon Warning Center (JTWC), Guam, the Air Force Nimitz Hill Defense Meteorological Satellite Program Site, Guam, and Detachment 17, 20th Weather Squadron, Yokota AB (the alternate JTWC) during the Guam passage of Typhoon Pamela and the simultaneous tracking of Typhoon Olga.

"The warnings issued by JTWC Guam and subsequently by AJTWC, Yokota AB, were timely and accurate. Casualties and damage would have unquestionably been greater without these warnings. Well done."

Admiral Hayward said, "During the past month Typhoons Olga and Pamela posed serious threats to the Seventh Fleet. Although Guam was made inoperative by the full force of Pamela's winds, it was gratifying to note that there was no interruption in the issuance of vital storm warnings . . . Well done."

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# Weather women support soggy Solid Shield at Shaw

SHAW AFB, SC—Extracted lines from a poem almost told the story of two weather women as they took part in Exercise Solid Shield '76. The lines read:

"The first thing this morning, when I got out of bed

I felt drops of water, falling on my head.

Something was strange, but I couldn't decide

What it was, 'til I realized I was standing inside."

The poem ended with the words, "Forecast for the day? Sunny and mild."

A1C Sandra B. Phillips and SSgt. Carol Thompson, Detachment 3, 3rd Weather Squadron, Myrtle Beach AFB, SC, are an observer and forecaster, respectively. According to Lt. Col. Roger F. Strand, exercise staff weather officer, they are also the first women to go on a field training exercise "in many years."

"I don't know why there was that

restriction," Colonel Strand said, "The women actually raised the level of performance. It wasn't a battle of the sexes thing either, but darned good, healthy competition—which is going to be seen even more. Women were held back so long that now, with opportunity, they really get at the work."

Airman Phillips said, "Weather in the Air Force is the best job I've ever had. I never worked with better people."

Sergeant Thompson added, "My career in weather is the reason I stayed in the Air Force. It's so close to the mission. I mean, the pilots just can't fly without knowing what's up there. Also, weather people are one big family."

Sergeant Thompson has an unusual weather accomplishment to her credit. For two consecutive years—both events on May 15—she accurately called tornado warnings which were then verified to

have taken place at the time and place she said they would.

"To do such a thing just once is rare," Colonel Strand said, "but to do it twice is almost unheard of."

The women did not complain about the hard life they had on the exercise. They agreed, "The people really seemed to care, even the 'big guys' care about what you have to say."

To support their statement, Lt. Gen. James V. Hartinger, Solid Shield Air Force forces commander added, "I guess you'd have to call me an advocate of women in the Air Force."

The actions of Sergeant Thompson and Airman Phillips during Exercise Solid Shield '76 appear to have contributed to that opinion.



'AND THE WEATHER TOMORROW—AGAIN' is a rainy forecast given to Lt. Gen. James V. Hartinger, left, by SSgt. Carol Thompson. General Hartinger commanded the exercise's Air Force forces. Although her unit is Detachment 3, 3rd Weather Squadron, Myrtle Beach AFB, SC, she was part of Solid Shield 100 miles west, at Shaw AFB. (U.S. Air Force photo by SSgt. John E. Crombie)



'OH, NOAH' might be the words of A1C Sandra B. Phillips, Detachment 3, 3rd Weather Squadron, Myrtle Beach AFB, SC, as she peers from the door of a tent during Exercise Solid Shield '76. At the time she was at Shaw AFB, SC, and the sign hung on the tent as a joke reads, "Solid Shield '76 Weather Station Forecast: 'Clear'." (U.S. Air Force photo by SSgt. John E. Crombie)

## Personnel shorts

Did you know that:

\*The Community College of the Air Force now offers credit for in-residence professional military education? Among these are the noncommissioned (NCO) Leadership School (NCLS)—five hours; NCO Academy (NCOA)—seven hours; and the Senior NCOA—11 hours. Six credit hours are given for the Senior NCOA done by correspondence and attempts are being made to have the NCOA correspondence course evaluated.

\*Effective July 1, 1976, AWS Space Environmental Support System operating locations will be upgraded to detachment status?

\*The proposed E-8, E-9 promotion system, as explained in last month's OBSERVER "Enlisted Line," will be implemented for the fiscal year 78 promotion cycle? Although no study reference will be available to assist in preparing for the fiscal year 78 supervisory examination, one is expected to be developed for use in fiscal year 79 and subsequent cycles.

\*Air Force is now staffing a proposal to alter the use of decoration points in the Weighted Airman Promotion System? The proposal would limit the use of specific decoration points to be a factor in only one promotion.

# AWS salutes . . . . .

## Medals

**MERITORIOUS SERVICE MEDALS (MSM)** were presented to eight persons. First oak leaf clusters (OLC) went to MSgt. Harry J. Kohler and Lt. Col. James R. Wright, Air Weather Service headquarters, Scott AFB, IL. MSMs went to SSgt. Jerry W. Gainey, Detachment 58, 5th Weather Squadron, Ft. Carson, CO; Maj. Gary L. Doty and Joseph A. Walchshauer, and Lt. Col. Charles M. Dunn, AWS; MSgt. Charles G. Treser, Det. 16, 9WS, Dyess AFB, TX; and CMSgt. Dennis H. Van Houdt and SMSgt. Albert R. Morgan, Air Force Global Weather Central (AFGWC), Offutt AFB, NE.

**AIR FORCE COMMENDATION MEDALS (AFCM)** went to 24 persons. A fourth OLC to the AFCM went to CMSgt. Robert P. Foggo Jr., AFGWC, Offutt AFB, NE. Second OLCs to the AFCM went to MSgt. William Moorehead, 1st Weather Wing, Hickam AFB, HI, and Maj. David K. Douglas, AFGWC. First OLC to the AFCM went to Maj. Donald E. Ellingson, AWS, Scott AFB, IL, and to Maj. Arthur E. Douglas, John M. Huck and Bobby D. Underwood, TSgt. Odel Gipson, and SMSgt. Joseph X. Gauthier, all of AFGWC; and Capt. Donald D. McGrew, Det. 2, 7WW, Travis AFB, CA. AFCMs were presented to 1st Lt. Thomas P. Walters, Det. 10, 20WS, Kunsan AB, Korea; Capt. Arthur C. Kyle and Maj. Ronald F. Wachtmann, AWS, Scott AFB, IL; Sgt. Donald Morin,

Det. 21, 9WS, Minot AFB, ND; MSgt. Roger A. Bygrave, Det. 30, 26WS, Kincheloe AFB, MI; TSgt. Ronald D. Munson, Det. 11, 2WS, Patrick AFB, FL; Capt. James W. Driscoll, Det. 1, 2WS, WPAFB, OH; Sgt. Patricia A. Matthews, 1WW, Hickam AFB, HI; and MSgt. Ronald C. Flagstad, Sgt. Billy D. Frantz, Capt. William H. Elmer, and SSgts. Harry B. Houwen and Cyde M. McGee, all of AFGWC, Offutt AFB, NE.

The **ARMY COMMENDATION MEDAL** went to Capt. Cleo G. Hogan, AFGWC, Offutt AFB, NE.

The **AIR FORCE GOOD CONDUCT MEDAL** went to Sgt. John H. Fueston, Det. 40, 2WW, RAF Croughton, UK.

## Recon

Majs. Bruce Ackert, Laurence M. Bachman and Alexander S. Finta, SMSgt. Larry W. Magee and SMSgt. Donald T. Buck, AWS, Scott AFB, IL, received Certificates of Achievement for suggestions.

SSgt. Milton H. Harris Jr., Det. 30, 26WS, Kincheloe AFB, MI, \$100.

Lt. Col. Robert H. Hedenberg and SSgt. John F. McCarthy, 1WW, Hickam AFB, HI, awards.

Third Weather Wing gave awards or certificates to Lt. Cols. Thomas D. Darnon, William H. Murphy and Kenneth J. Van Hulla; Sgts. Tony S. Smith, Daniel A. Kappahan, John E. Wright, Michael R. Keeny and Donald E. Moriss; Cpts. Richard R. Babcock, Keith W. Rhyne, James R.

Barry Jr. and Kenneth E. Eis; TSgts. Donald R. Conner, Russell C. Barnes, Terry C. Marsh, Charles D. Rhodes, David L. Beets, Charles F. Brodt, Robert E. Houghes and Robert A. Foster; Majs. Royce F. Kapeller, Robert B. Jackson, James C. Allen, Larry E. Nye, Robert H. Padgett and Lee R. Clausen; A1Cs Daniel K. McGill, Joan M. Metzger and Marcus A. Steiner; SSgts. James E.F. Adkins, Robert Marcondes, Ronald D. Simpson, Richard V. Rapp, Michael R. Hogge and Dan R. Angell; MSgts. Roy J. Worstell, Charles G. Treser and James M. McKnight; 1st Lts. Michael W. Mader, Curtis D. Hall and Jeffrey W. Zink; and SMSgts. Loren Stoltz and Douglas E. McWilliams.

## Education

At AFGWC, Offutt AFB, NE, Capt. Erwin L. Williams received a master of arts degree in business administration from the University of Nebraska; Capt. Robert D. Youngblood was awarded a master of science degree in systems management from the University of Southern California and SSgt. John Short was awarded a bachelor of science degree in criminal justice from the University of Nebraska at Omaha.

SSgt. Donnel C. Wingate, Det. 2, 7WW, Travis AFB, CA, was awarded a bachelor of science degree in vocational education from Southern Illinois University.

Lt. Col. Charles S. Smith, Det. 14, 31WS, Hahn AB, (Continued on page 7)

## A lesson from history

# Officers open weather path to Russia

by John Fuller  
AWS Historian

The Germans' last big offensive in Russia had them at the outskirts of Stalingrad and within 100 miles of Moscow. It was June 1942 and the Japanese had siezed Attu and Kiska in the Aleutian Chain. The latter worried President Franklin D. Roosevelt and his military commanders. Japan could use the Aleutians as a springboard to invade the United States.

Additionally, because the Japanese might also attack Siberia, President Roosevelt wanted Russia's and the U.S.' military responses coordinated.

After Marshal Joseph Stalin consented, President Roosevelt sent Maj. Gen. Follett Bradley to Moscow in July 1942 to exchange detailed information about Siberian and Alaskan military facilities. Two members of the Bradley group were Cols. Donald N. Yates and James F. Thompson from the Air Staff's Weather Directorate.

As the three-months of negotiations in Moscow frustrated General Bradley (Stalin wanted American aircraft on his western front, not American air units in Siberia), the efforts of Colonels Yates and Thompson were fruitful.

Colonels Yates (who later commanded Air Weather Service) and Thompson had gone to negotiate agreements with the Russians, through the Soviet Hydro-Meteorological Service, for the exchange of meteorological information, codes and communications. General Federoff, chief of the Soviet weather service, had even conducted the two Army Air Forces weathermen on tours of Russian facilities.

Colonel Yates believed the Russians had progressed in long-range forecasting and upper-air analysis and were, at least on a practical standpoint, ahead of the Americans. The wealth of periodicals,



BRIG. GEN. Donald N. Yates. He received the Distinguished Service Medal for his part in the 1942 Bradley mission to Moscow.

books and other technical publications he brought back was a valuable source of information for researchers seeking new methods to perfect American forecasting techniques.

Colonels Yates' and Thompson's successes during the Bradley mission resulted in a reciprocal visit by the Russians in early 1943. Heading the three-man Russian mission was Navy Captain Constantine F. Speranski, assistant director of the Soviet Hydro-Meteorological Service.

For three months after their arrival in the U.S. the Russians inspected such places as Washington, the Tennessee Valley Authority, New York, Boston, Chicago, Minneapolis, the West Coast and Fairbanks, AK.

While on the West Coast and at Ladd Field (Fairbanks), the Russians saw limitations in accurate forecasting, caused in part by the lack of complete or consistent weather reports from the Soviet Union, eastern Siberia in particular.

Impressed by the problem, Captain Speranski willingly passed information to the weathermen at Ladd Field about conditions at Siberian air fields the colonel in charge of the Fairbanks Russian military delegation had refused to give.

There was vast improvement in the quantity and quality of synoptic and operational weather data from Russia during Captain Speranski's visit to the U.S. Further, he promised to speak with General Federoff about continuing the flow of vital weather information. Despite that promise, data from Russia remained sporadic.

## Salutes (Continued from page 6)

Germany, was awarded a master of science degree in guidance and counseling from Troy State University's European Extension Program.

TSgt. Jerry M. Sherlin, also of Det. 14 at Hahn AB, was awarded a master of arts degree in executive development in public services administration from Ball State University's European Extension Program.

Capt. Kenneth G. Rogowski, 11WS, Elmendorf AFB AK, awarded master of science degree in science management from the University of Alaska at Anchorage.

Victoria Rowe, daughter of Brig. Gen. and Mrs. Berry W. Rowe, AWS, Scott AFB, IL, was included on the Utah State University honor roll for averaging 3.5 grade points or better in the humanities, arts and social sciences.

MSgt. Donald F. Inman Sr., Det. 1, 20WS, Fuchu AS, Japan, was awarded an associate of arts degree in business data processing from Los Angeles Community College. From the same unit and school, MSgt. Horace L. Maxwell received an associate of arts degree in meteorology.

MSgt. Joseph F. Santaniello, Det. 1, 20WS, Fuchu AS, Japan, was awarded a master of science degree in education from the University of Southern California.

Capt. Scott P. Higgins, a Mobilization Augmentee to AWS, Scott AFB, IL, graduated from Air Command and Staff College in residence at Maxwell AFB, AL, and received a masters degree in business administration from Auburn University.

## Service schools

SSgt. Richard T. Massey Jr., Operating Location F, 2WW, Athens, Greece, won multiple honors at the MAC NCO Leadership School (NCOLS). He was honor graduate and chosen by his classmates for the Samaritan Award.

MSgt. Anthony A. Luck, Det. 30, 2WS, Vandenberg AFB, CA, graduated from the Senior NCO Academy (NCOA) as did MSgt. Frank W. Vleck and SMSgt. John D. Forster, AWS, Scott AFB, IL, and MSgt. Joseph F. Santaniello, Det. 1, 20WS, Fuchu AS, Japan.

Persons completing the NCOA are TSgt. Jerry W. King, AFGWC, Offutt AFB, NE; MSgt. Gerald Berth, Det. 10, 20WS, Kunsan AB, Korea; TSgt. Patrick K. Farley, Det. 1, 11WS, Elmendorf AFB, AK; TSgt. Jean L. Smith, Det. 1, 2WS, WPAFB, OH, and MSgt. Howard P. Ober Jr., Det. 9, 9WS, Davis-Monthan AFB, AZ, who was a distinguished graduate.

Graduates of the NCOLS are SSgt. Franklin O.H. Benton, Det 1, 24WS, Randolph AFB, TX, who was also an honor graduate; Sgt. Gary Fennman, AFGWC, Offutt AFB, NE; and Commandant Award winner SSgt. Daniel

J. Sheldon, Environmental Technical Applications Center (ETAC), Scott AFB, IL.

Sgt. Erich Horn, Det. 10, 20WS, Kunsan AB, Korea, completed the on-the-job-training (OJT) Trainer Supervisor Course.

Amn Steven J. Carmel and Timothy L. Nelson, Det. 11, 25WS, Cannon AFB, NM, completed Observing School prior to their arrival here.

Maj. Allen E. Barr, AWS, Scott AFB, IL, completed Air Command and Staff College.

Maj. James Kerlin, 1WW, Hickam AFB, HI, certificate for having completed the Air War College by correspondence.

## Civilian honors

Mrs. Grace Parish, Mrs. Haruko Koga, Mrs. Dorothy Yoshikawa, Miss Ellen Murata and John D. Newhouse, 1WW, Hickam AFB, HI, received Outstanding Performance Rating Certificates.

## Promotions

To major: David Koczur, Det. 19, 26WS, Whiteman AFB, MO.

To captain: Douglas R. Goodman, Det. 2, 7WW Travis AFB, CA.

To first lieutenant: Timothy J. Keating and Richard A. Wohlman, Det. 9, 9WS, Davis-Monthan AFB, AZ.

To chief master sergeant; Donald T. Buck, AWS, Scott AFB, IL, and Mogens B. Jensen, 7WS Heidelberg, Germany.

To senior master sergeant; Thomas R. Lindley, Det. 3, 12 WS, Malmstrom AFB, MT; David E. Masters, 5WW, Langley AFB, VA; Horace L. Maxwell, Det. 1, 20WS, Fuchu AS, Japan; and Albert F. Zarate, Det. 16, 25WS, Nellis AFB, NV.

To technical sergeant; Raymond Bromley, Det. 19, 26WS, Whiteman AFB, MO; Lawrence H. Cain, 3WW, Offutt AFB, NE; and Richard H. Prewitt, AFGWC, Offutt AFB, NE.

To staff sergeant: Thomas J. Fischer, Det. 11, 25WS, Cannon AFB, NM; Timothy H. Powell and David N. Runyan, Det. 20, 24WS, Laughlin AFB, TX; Ralph B. Hillman, Robert E. Minkus, Larry E. Petersen and Sandra J. Smith, AFGWC, Offutt AFB, NE.

To sergeant: Paula Reeves, Det. 19, 26WS, Whiteman AFB, MO; and Christopher A. Cantrell, Et. 40, 2WW, RAF Croughton, UK.

To Senior airman: Daniel K. Akana, Dexter E. Harris, James M. Pierson, Jr. and Michael Rademacher,

AFGWC, Offutt AFB, NE; William H. Saylor, Det. 18, 20WS, Yong San, Korea; and Alan G. Radcliffe, Det. 2, 7WW, Travis AFB, CA.

To airman first class: Robert A. Cassarly, Robert K. Quillen and Eric W. Belko, Det. 9, 9WS Davis-Monthan AFB, AZ; Andrew C. Reininger and Roger A. Woodall, Det. 10, 20WS, Kunsan AB, Korea; Robert A. Bruce, Det. 17, 24WS Williams AFB, AZ; Vickie L. Berger, Isabelle Cenicerros, Keith M. Chase, James A. Cullen, Ronald D. Donnell, Ralph P. Hanson, Peter A. Hugins, Patrick Jaderborg, Keir B. Jewett, Mark S. Kincaid, Thomas D. Lawrence, David M. Magann, Timothy G. O'Connor, Walter M. Rankin, Ann M. Root, Patricia Simpkins, Susan M. Singler, Joyce I. Tieszen, Deborah L. Trammell, David L. Wyman and Gregory A. Webb, AFGWC, Offutt AFB, NE.

## Special honors

Lt. Col. Walton F. Perrine, 9WS, March AFB, CA, the Riverside-San Bernardino American Meteorological Society Chapter's 1975 "Meteorologist of the Year" award.

SSgt. Ellis Spencer, Det. 1, 1WW, Nimitz Hill, Guam, this year was Det. 1, 1 WW NCO of the Quarter (NCOQ); Andersen AFB NCOQ; Andersen AFB MAC NCOQ and was runner-up as Pacific Region MAC NCOQ.

SSgt. Donald E. Hall, Det. 30, 26WS, Kincheloe AFB, MI, elected president of the base Enlisted Advisory Council.

SSgt. Mervyn L. Screeton Jr., Det. 1, 24WS, Randolph AFB, TX, Selected Base NCOQ.

SrA Preston Abramowitz, Det. 2, 7WW, Travis AFB, CA, was accepted to enter the four-year Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps program this fall.

William A. Kalberer Jr., son of Lt. Col. and Mrs. W. A. Kalberer, Det. 41, 12WS, Ft. Lee AFS, VA, chosen by the Ft. Lee Officer's Wives Club to receive a \$400 academic excellence scholarship.

By direction of the Governor, State of Indiana, the 207th Weather Flight (IANG) was awarded the state's National Guard Commendation Medal for exceptionally meritorious service. Cited were Lt. Col. Roger T. Winn, Maj. Robert J. Watkins, Capt. David M. Lueck, 1st Lt. Daniel G. Houser, SSgts. Benjamin E. Garrigus, Ronald G. Holt, Vicki R. Mullen and Harold R. Wainscott, Sgts. Douglas B. Green, Telford L. Humphreys, Stanley R. Kukulak, Alvin S. Lebsack, Dennis R. Mullen, Thomas A. Reedy and Robert B. Weed, and the unit's technical advisor, TSgt. James W. Burns.

**A1C Barbara Perry**

**Gets five minute shopping spree**



MARCH AFB, CA—When several commissaries became the sites for randomly selected customers to be given free five-minute shopping sprees, one of those chosen was an Air Weather Service member.

A1C Barbara Perry, 9th Weather Squadron, had five minutes in which to fill two shopping carts at the local commissary.

Five minutes later she had gathered \$204.50 worth of all kinds of food.

Airman Perry is scheduled to be reassigned to RAF Lakenheath, UK, so during the second basket filling she passed the higher priced foods in favor of what it would take to have what she called, "My own farewell party."

WHO WOULDN'T SMILE if they were given five minutes in the commissary to gather as much food as they could—free? It happened to A1C Barbara Perry, 9th Weather Squadron, March AFB, CA, and, according to unit members, gained her "a full farewell party—at no cost." (U.S. Air Force photo by Sgt. Robert E. Gillette)



HELPING TO ROLL his team to the Offutt AFB, NE, Intramural Bowling League Championship is Leo Pickard. The team worked its way from the second round loser's bracket to defeat the 544th Target Materiel Squadron (TMS) for the crown. Earlier the 544TMS was the team which put the weather team in the cellar. Other weather team members are Ellis Jones, Mike Fleshood, Lloyd Arganbright, Mick Sweeney and Don Noehre. (U.S. Air Force photo by SSgt. Jim Jones)

Detachment 6, Air Weather Service, Langley AFB, VA, is a special sort of unit. It supervises and manages Air National Guard (ANG) weather flight training.

Collocated with the 200th Weather Squadron (VAANG) at Langley, it carries the title AWS Advisory Unit (AWSAU).

The four-man unit not only monitors the training of 39 weather flights but advises the commander of the 200th ANG Weather Squadron. Additionally, Det. 6 supervises Military Airlift Command (MAC) technical advisors (MTA) at various operating locations (OL).

There are MTAs at 35 one-man OLs and two 2-man located in the United States, usually at ANG areas on civil airports.

The MTAs supervised by Det. 6 have the responsibilities of detachment commanders, but little direct authority. They must be involved in advisory service as well as assistance in such areas as flight operations, to include forecasting, observing, administration and supply and maintenance.

Each year the MTA accompanies weather flight people on their annual two-week active duty tour to one of four ANG permanent field training sites or PFTSS; the training sites are Alpena, MI; Volk Field, WI; Gulfport, MS; and Travis Field, GA.

Some flights do hands-on training on such meteorological equipment as the FPS-77 weather radar at active duty AWS weather detachments.

The AWSAU and its MTAs work constantly to maintain a high state of readiness among the 39 weather flights. Their proficiency was shown when they supported such operations as the 1961-1962 Berlin Crisis and the 1968-1969 Korean buildup.

Det. 6 keeps on the move to ensure a ready reserve weather force which is qualified to augment the Air Weather Service when needed.

**Air Weather basketballers combine for second spot**

KAPAUN BKS, GERMANY—Ending the basketball season with an 11-2 record, a three-weather-unit team claimed second place in their division and fifth in the local intramural league.

Team members were, from 2nd Weather Wing headquarters, Ron Tudor, Mike Sedillo, Pete Wills,

Dick Skillings and Jerry Gowan. Detachment 2, 2WW, provided Mike Haas.

Bob Means, Rick Chalupnik and Fran Kendrick while Vic Hill, Mac Taylor, Bob Benson and John Revel and Tom Gluvna joined the team from Det. 21, 2WW, Kindsbach, Germany.

**SPORTS SHORTS**

**Ladwig, Tudor get golf aces**

FT. RILEY, KS—KAPAUN BKS, GERMANY—For the fourth time in as many months, weather men have aced on the golf links. At Ft. Riley, David S. Ladwig, Detachment 8, 5th Weather Squadron, made a hole-in-one at the post's officers golf course's 155-yard, par-3 twelfth hole.

Ronald F. Tudor, 2nd Weather Wing, Kapaun Bks., did the same at Ramstein AB's Woodlawn Golf Course's 154-yard fifth hole. He finished the 18-hole round with a 77.

**Pair clobbers Alaskan events**

CAPE NEWENHAM AFS, AK—In seven of the 11 events in Cape Newenham AFS' first Olympic Style meet, two first places went to Air Weather Service men.

Terry Rich, Operating Location F, 11th Weather Squadron ended the event in first place in the active sports portion and Tom Hayden finished second. Terry took firsts in one-on-one basketball, free-throw shooting (49 out of 60), situps (350), pushups (47), medicine ball throw (45 feet, 5.5 inches) and the mile run. Tom took pullups with 16.

**Boy bowls to bantam booty**

HICKAM AFB, HI—Ronnie Bound, eight-year-old son of Capt. and Mrs. Ronald J. Bound, 1st Weather Wing, recently bowled his way to a trophy. He was a member of the Hickam AFB Banty Banthams team and rolled a high for the league, a 529 handicap series.

**Unit hosts 'first and last' meet**

HICKAM AFB, HI—Rain, according to Jim Kerlin, unit information officer, called on participants in "the first and last Al Gargiulo Invitational Golf Tourney here."

Gargiulo, who was soon to leave the 1st Weather Wing, played a few holes with each foursome. The event was eventually won by Gargiulo, Kerlin, Ron Bound and Walt Uchimura with an 18 under par 54.

Joe Tucker, who was to replace Gargiulo, later gave the departing man a trophy.

**Walker earns ANG gun medal**

INDIANAPOLIS, IN—Richard E. Walker, Operating Location C, Detachment 6, Air Weather Service, Chanute AFB, IL, is a sure shot and can prove it.

According to the Military Department of Indiana, Walker recently earned the Indiana State Marksmanship Rifle Medal as a member of a five-man team competing in the National Guard Bureau pistol matches.

Walker, Military Airlift Command technical advisor to the 163rd Weather Flight, Baer Field, Ft. Wayne, IN, also won first place in the northeast Indiana Winter league (rifle) and second place in pistol.



AN AIR FORCE weather duo joined the 82nd Airborne Division headquarters cross-country team to sweep the division meet. In a field of 200 participants and in 85-degree heat, Cranston "Rip" Coleman, left, and Tom Utley finished the six-mile course in 35 minutes flat to come in first for the team and second overall. Their team went on to cop the Ft. Bragg, NC, crown then defeat the challenging 101st Airborne Division from Ft. Campbell, KY, to become FORSCOM champions. Coleman and Utley are members of Detachment 4, 5th Weather Squadron, Ft. Bragg. (U.S. Air Force photo)