

CHAPTER VII

SAFETY

The beginning of the quarter found the Safety Office involved in the investigation of an HH-43B major aircraft accident at Det 9, 43ARRSq, England AFB, Louisiana. The helicopter crashed on 23 June 1970 after striking power lines over the Red River. Major Charles W. Burrridge, Chief of Safety, participated in the investigation which concluded 4 July 1970.¹

Major Burrridge was selected as the ARRS Safety Representative for a meeting of the HH-X Source Selection Board at Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio. The board had numerous tasks to complete prior to selection preparation for the HH-X helicopter. The HH-X is to be a fill-in helicopter to replace the HH-43 losses. This meeting of the HH-X Source Selection Board was held from 12 - 19 July 1970.²

During the period 3 - 7 August Captain Charles J. Steiner and TSgt Howard J. Johnson performed an Accident Prevention Survey of the 42ARRSq. The Accident Prevention Program at Det 2, 42ARRSq, Cannon AFB, New Mexico, was also evaluated during this survey. Results were satisfactory with minor discrepancies.³