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THIRTEEN TO COLONEL

Thirteen proved to be a lucky number for that number of Phan Rang lieutenant colonels recently. They were the ones notified of their selection for temporary promotion to full colonel.

They are: Alvin W. Banner and Joseph Fernandez, 35th TFW; George T. Dwyer, William B. Maxson, William T. Shelton, Eugene E. Hustad and Donald B. Swenholt, 8th TBS; Niels H. Lund, 554th CES; Raymond A. Youngberg, 834th ADIV; Joseph R. Henry and William J. Mayhall, 315th SOWG; Jack A. Maret, 311th SOSQ; and Robert E. Stockhouse, 309th SOSQ.

FIREMEN TOPS IN VIETNAM

"Most Improved Fire Department in Vietnam" is the honor awarded the Phan Rang Air Base Fire Department by Seventh Air Force officials.

The honor, a quarterly award, was for the period from July 1 to Sept. 30 of this year.

Selection criteria is based on effort expended toward fire prevention, extend and effectiveness of training, management procedures and facilities and equipment improvement.

Lt. Col. James B. Roberts, commander, 35th CES and Base Fire Marshal, credited the fire department's "very comprehensive training program" with being a strong factor in taking the award.

35th SPS Sentry, Dog Foil VC Sapper Penetration Try

"I feel lucky to be alive," said a 35th SPS sentry who foiled a recent (Nov. 18) Viet Cong sapper attempt at Phan Rang AB.

The sentry, A1C David L. Pierce was requested to make a sweep of the base perimeter fence area with his sentry dog after guard tower Juliet 8 saw movement in the 1 a.m. darkness.

'Luke' Record Stays Unbroken

Talk of "Cool Hand Luke" and attempts on his 50-egg record in one hour by U.S. Army and Marine personnel led to an Air Force egg-eating assault by A1C Kirk W. Minert

A member of the engine conditioning branch, 35th FMS, Airman Minert recalls that the idea got started while his team was taking a break after completing an F-100 jet engine overhaul.

"I have something of a reputation as a chow hound," Minert said, "and as we talked of the 'Luke' movie and the recent attempts by other service branches to match it, one said 'How many eggs can you eat Kirk'."

"I said I couldn't eat 50 but could beat the Army record."

On the day of the contest against time, Airman Minert did without his usual breakfast, lunch and supper. By 7:50 p.m., he felt hungry enough to begin. More than 100 squadron associates were there to witness the event.

I had two peelers and two coaches—and a heck of a lot of eggs. My goal was one egg per minute which lasted for about 22 minutes. It took the remainder of the hour to

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"Rex and I had gone about 75 yards down the road bordering the concertina wire fence when he stopped and started sniffing. There was no breeze so it was hard for Rex to pick up a scent," Airman Pierce said.

"The dog was reluctant to move so I flipped out my flashlight and—lying there, naked except for a black breechcloth, staring up at me was this VC. For a half-second I thought he was dead—and then I realized he was very much alive. He immediately attempted to run a way.

"I dropped the light and gave the challenge 'Halt, Dung Lai'," he said, "and that's when two more VC opened fire with automatic rifles a few yards behind me. They were between the outer and inner fences."

"Their fire set off a trip flare and I could see them well and emptied three M-16 clips at them. I believe I hit one of them, but have you ever tried to fire an M-16 with one hand and control 75 pounds of excited dog with the other?"

The VC fled into the darkness outside the perimeter while Pierce was joined by other K-9 teams and security policemen who swept the area to assure that no other members of the sapper team had escaped detection.

Col. TONY M. GREGET

KNOW YOUR COMMAND

Colonel Tony M. Greget is the new deputy commander for operations for the 35th Tactical Fighter Wing. He arrived here following a year's duty as assistant deputy commander for operations with the 4531st TFW at Homestead AFB, Fla.

A native of San Pedro, Calif., Colonel Greget entered the Air Force through the aviation cadet program in 1943. He completed basic pilot training and received his commission at Luke AFB, Ariz., in June 1944.

His overseas tours include two years on Okinawa (1946-47), ten months in Korea followed by three months again on Okinawa (1954-55), England where he was squadron operations officer and then commander of the 55th TFS, RAF Station Weathersfield (1959-63) and finally Germany where he served first as commander, 81st TFS, Hahn AB, and later as commander, 417th TFS, Ramstein AB.

He and his wife, the former Kathryn E. Snelson of Wilmington, Calif., have one daughter, Sandra Kay.

615th Names Crew Chief

Sgt. David C. Brooks was recently named "Outstanding Crew Chief" for the 615th TFS following an inspection of assigned squadron aircraft by representatives of the unit commander.

The inspection team, consisting of both operations and maintenance personnel, selected Sergeant Brooks on the basis of his having the cleanest aircraft, best maintained aircraft, and the neatness of aircraft forms.

For his efforts, Sergeant Brooks was presented a 615th TFS plaque denoting his achievement.

PILOTS GET

SATISFACTION

Two F-100 Supersabre pilots from the 615th TFS recently bombed an enemy bunker complex in the III Corps tactical area with very satisfying results.

According to their forward air controller (FAC) (Rash 02), the strike pilots placed their ordnance with precision accuracy exactly on target as requested.

Bomb damage assessment by the FAC was: 15 bunkers destroyed, 1 military structure destroyed, 3 "L" shaped bunkers destroyed, 20 bunkers uncovered, 6 "L" shaped trenches uncovered and 1 bridge uncovered.

The strike pilots, Capt. Ronald G. Swanson and 1st Lt. James D. Thames, credited the aircraft, configured with triple ejector bomb racks, with the accurate bombing and increased loads that made mass destruction of the complex possible.

COMM KEEPS WIRES OPEN

"Providing The Reins of Command" is the motto of the Air Force Communications Service. This motto has never applied more fully than to the men of the 1882nd Communication Squadron's Telecommunications Centers.

The men of these centers are charged with the responsibility of keeping the base in constant touch with other bases and strategic points around the globe.

The 28-man section may carry messages entailing promotions, supply, command policies or a multitude of other essential messages.

Modern equipment kept in top-notch order assures Phan Rang Air Base of expeditious transmission of all messages.

GO TO CHURCH SUNDAY

SCHEDULE OF CHAPEL ACTIVITIES

PROTESTANT

- Sunday: 10:30 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. Protestant Services
9:15 a.m. Family Life Series
- Monday: 10 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. Think and Talk Series
- Wednesday: 7:30 p.m. Meditation and Prayer
(2nd Wed - 6:15 p.m. - PMOC Cookout and Program)
- Thursday: 10 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. New Testament Series
7:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal (Morning)
- Friday: 7:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal (Evening)

Episcopal Service:

Sunday: 9:30 a.m.

Church of Christ:

Sunday: 7:30 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.
Worship Service

Wednesday: 7:30 p.m. Worship Service

Latter Day Saints:

Sunday: 3:30-5:30 Worship Service

CATHOLIC

Sunday: Mass 8:30 a.m. noon 6:30 p.m.

Mon Sat: Mass noon

Tuesday: 1:30 p.m. and 7 p.m. Catholic Instruction Classes
8 p.m. Marriage Enrichment Classes

First Friday: Mass noon and 6:30 p.m. followed by Steak Cookout

Sunday: Choir Practice 5:30 p.m.

Confessions: One half hour before all Sunday Masses
15 minutes before weekday Mass

DEW DROPS

Today is Thanksgiving Day! Happy Turkey to you. This year the Red Cross girls have been chosen "K.P. For A Day"! We will be serving Thanksgiving dinner in the Mess Halls; Dew Drop Inn!

The Dew Drop Inn Has planned many activities for next week and the month of December. *R&R nite we will show slides of the various R&R locations. *Art Nite is especially important because all pieces of art will be given to Vietnamese children. We request that if you have any talent whatsoever you help us out by helping us make Christmas a little happier for these children. Supplies can be gotten at the ARC Center before hand, or you can work on these that nite at the center. Please help us. Thank you!

The month of December is especially important to all. Let's make this Christmas, although away from home, a special event in the lives of some well deserving children. We have lots of planned activities for this month.

Some of these are:

Saturday, Dec. 7.- We will decorate the Dew Drop Inn for Christmas. We need all the help we can get so, you men come on over and give us non-talented ARC girls the expert touch of a man's hand.

Monday, Dec 9.- This nite is dedicated to talent. We are going to have a talent show. If you are interested, please sign up in the office at the Dew Drop Inn. You can practice at the center. For a special treat the ARC girls are going to have a surprise entertainment act.(?!)

Saturday, Dec. 21.- This nite is also dedicated to art. Again, all works of art will be given to children.

Monday, Dec. 23.- Christmas concert!! The entertainment will be provided by The Cisco Kids. These men are really great so, come on over and hear them.

Tuesday, Dec. 24.- Christmas caroling.

TV LOG

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 28
 1:30 SHIFTWORKERS MATINEE
 6:35 NEWS BRIEFS
 6:40 OPERATION ENTERTAINMENT
 7:30 EVENING NEWS
 8:00 PENTAGON FORUM
 8:30 DEAN MARTIN SHOW
 9:20 STAR
 10:10 BIG VALLEY
 11:00 LATE NEWS

MONDAY, DECEMBER 2
 1:30 SHIFTWORKERS MATINEE
 6:35 NEWS BRIEFS
 6:40 THE MONKEES
 7:05 INFORMATION SPECIAL
 7:30 EVENING REPORT
 8:00 ANDY WILLIAMS SHOW
 8:55 DANIEL BOONE
 9:45 BEWITCHED
 10:10 WILD WILD WEST
 11:00 LATE NEWS

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 29
 1:30 SHIFTWORKERS MATINEE
 6:35 NEWS BRIEFS
 6:40 PRIORITY
 7:05 BIG PICTURE
 7:30 EVENING NEWS
 8:00 ROWAN AND MARTIN
 8:55 DRAGNET
 9:20 HOLLYWOOD PALACE
 10:10 GUNSMOKE
 11:00 LATE NEWS

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 3
 1:30 SHIFTWORKERS MATINEE
 6:35 NEWS BRIEFS
 6:40 GE COLLEGE BOWL
 7:05 GET SMART
 7:30 EVENING REPORT
 8:00 RED SKELTON SHOW
 8:55 COMBAT
 9:45 CHANNEL '11 THEATER
 11:00 LATE NEWS

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 30
 1:05 LAWRENCE WELK
 1:55 MELODY RANCH
 2:45 SPORTS
 5:05 AMERICAN SPORTSMAN
 5:55 KRAFT MUSIC HALL
 6:50 ARMED FORCES NEWS SPOTLIGHT
 7:05 VIETNAM REPORT
 7:30 EVENING NEWS
 8:00 JONATHAN WINTERS
 8:55 MISSION IMPOSSIBLE
 9:45 SPECIAL
 11:00 LATE NEWS

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 4
 1:30 SHIFTWORKERS MATINEE
 6:35 NEWS BRIEFS
 6:40 LUCY SHOW
 7:05 FELONY SQUAD
 7:30 EVENING REPORT
 8:00 SPECIAL
 8:55 DICK VAN DYKE SHOW
 9:45 IRONSIDE
 10:10 JOEY BISHOP
 11:00 LATE NEWS

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1
 1:30 CHRISTOPHERS
 1:45 SACRED HEART
 2:00 THE ANSWER
 2:30 SPECIAL
 3:30 SPORTS
 5:25 PRO BOWLERS TOUR
 7:05 MY THREE SONS
 7:30 EVENING NEWS
 8:00 ED SULLIVAN
 8:55 BONANZA
 9:45 LATE SHOW
 11:00 LATE NEWS

RED CROSS HAPPENINGS

THURSDAY
 YUM YUM TURKEY!

FRIDAY
 Run it off

SATURDAY
 Shuffle Board Tourney

SUNDAY
 R&R Slides.*

MONDAY
 Art Nite.*

TUESDAY
 Deros Delight

WEDNESDAY
 Fun 'N Games

THURSDAY
 How Well Do You Know Your States?



"DID YOUR NAVIGATOR'S COURSE INCLUDE FOLDING A MAP?"

PROMOTION ROSTERS RELEASED

Names of Phan Rang personnel selected for promotion to staff, technical and master sergeant during the December 1968--May 1969 cycle were released recently by CBPO. Names and units of those selected are:

35th SVC
To tech; Franklin L. Clark. To staff; Guajar J. Martinez, Gary L. Hughes, Chares S. Sutton, Kenneth J. Gordon, Julian R. Lucero and Wallace Hart.

834th Air Div.
To staff; Joel E. Poor.

8th TBS
To master; Bobby R. Pritchett. To staff; E.E Cantrell Jr., David C. Carlson, James M. Compton, Benjamin H. Degeare II, Michael L. Dolon, Jerry M. Elkin, Clyde L. Irwin, Kenneth A. Lee, Dorris D. Luckett, Charles Mohrman, Floyd H. Pettit Jr., Frederick E. Reyell, James A. Stickley, Donald E. Taylor and David Vega Jr.

35th Dispensary
To staff; James W. Doering, Randall J. Helfrich, Alfred R. Rocha, Charles E. Shearer, David J. Vallee and M.R. Witenberger.

352nd TFS
To tech; William C. Melton, Michael J. Shenar, Marvin R. Winton. To staff; Michael H. Belcher, Carl J. Bruno, Bobby R. Carswell, Glenn M. Dees, Norman M. Dorminey, Jerry E. Hammons, James P. Kuzma, Allen G. Mentzel, Ronald J. Pavlik, Gary P. Reynolds, Joseph A. Schwab, Ralph T. Shafer, Kenneth H. Zegel.

615th TFS
To master; John E. Collins. To tech; John A. Degout, Archie Q. Evans, Lelan J. Hittman and Daniel C. Newton. To staff; Dennis C. Dekneef, Gene R. Elliott, Arthuro Gonzales, H.E. Hamberger, John S. Lea, Henry Lovelace, Glenn R. Rowlett, Joseph G. Schutt, Gerald P. Walters and David W. Watson.

614th TFS
To tech; William C. Bargeman, Jesse V. Doris, Lewis J. Franklin, John Nurnick and William R. McCoy. To staff; Clifford R. Bates, Ronald L. Chancey, Michael

M. Clark, Robert A. Cole, Johnand William S. McCoy, F. Collen, Richard Kulesa, Larry L. Lairsey, James R. Lenze, William B. McCoy, Russel L. Saylor, F.D. Robinson, George A. Ruedeman, James J. Sauer, Joseph Sorrento, Demetrio Trujillo, Joe J. Wellner, Robert J. Younts.

35th TFW
To master; Lyle V. Bradford, Normand Langfelder, Leonard L. Marshall, Paul R. Brooks E. Gernand, Eugene B. Holt, and Joe M. Lineberger. To tech; Jerry D. Beshey, Bobby J. Bunton, Louis A. Demartino, Joseph Deperro, Thomas Hair, Edward J.O'Hara, Richard O. Sheridan and Joseph L. Strutton. To staff; Dale R. Gamble, Richard L. Largent, Boyd A. Loughrige, Daniel W. Powell, Moses B. Sanches, Cleo W. Warren, Robert D. Deey, Frank Esposito, G.L. Peterson, Larry O. Pullen, Derial D. Roynolds, Lynwood J. Sanders and Robert H. Steele.

35th CSG
To master; Earl L. Boyer, Roman C. Hochhalter, Loyd C. Olson and Vittor M.A. Saccone. To tech; Hilton R. Biggs, David W. Bliston, Antonio Briceno, Paul G. Carey III, Joseph B. Carithers, Henry H. McCarley, and Paul M. Richardson. To staff; Roy Alexander, Brooks H. Atherton, Doyce A. Bailey, Rodney E. Blount, Gerald F. Burns, James W. Chandler, Jeffry L. Cizek, Walter J. Dart Jr., Edwin L. Dennis, C.L. Mitchell, Ronald V. Roden, Jesus Salazar, William R. Steele, Joseph R. Straus and Gary A. Warfield.

35th Supply
To master; Abner B. Baker Jr., Joseph J. Dorsey, Joseph L. Landry, Lawrence Perlstein and James Sessions. To tech; George H. Palmer, Ralph M. Solberg and Thomas A. Roy. To staff; Clyde Holliday, Lyle R. Adkins Jr., Roger M.

Alleman, Maurice E. Cullison, Ronald J. Dreher, Bobby J. Freeman, Nathan D. Hill, Willie A. Kitts, Pat McCabe

35th CES
To master; Richard M. Hansen. To tech; Robert G. Phelps. To staff; John A. Brown, Juan A. Colon, Raymond Cruz Jr., Nicholas E. Husting, Jimmie E. Joiner, Douglas L. McMurphy, Woodrow J. Michel, Robert H. Mondragon, Thomas H. Poupiot, Lawrence R. Sewer, David A. Stevens, E.J. Thompson Jr., and Talmadge Thomas.

35th TNS
To master; Billy J. Bullion. To tech; R.J. Popolillo. To staff; John D. Cope, Kenneth A. Kizer, Ralph G. Lewis, John D. McCrimmon, Donald G. Neff, David L. Normand, Troy B. Phillips Jr. and Gerald F. Slaybaugh.

35th SPS
To master; Edward L. Williams. To tech; Robert R. Ellenburg, Roger E. Lecuyer and Raymond R. Sidhu. To Staff; Douglas T. Giddings, Gary L. Hamilton, B.T. Herrmann Jr., Donald Lo Nero, Edward Prowarski, Glenn F. Redmond, John D. Simmons, Vaughn R. Spann, John R. Tinsley, R.A. Troutman Jr., Wendell W. Wallace, Danney B. Williams and Jerry E. Woods.

35th MMS
To master; Roy L. Mullinax and Joseph P. Ruscetta. To tech; Robert G. Beck, Jimmie C. Catterton, John F. Esquibel, Willie L. Griggs, Wilson B. Hughes, Delbert Lee, Phillip G. Nalley, Elwood R. Thomas and W.N. Youngquist Jr. To staff; Barzilec Drewry, David R. Duba, Shadrack Howard, John W. Matthews, Kenneth C. Pielhop, Edward J. Radiker, Raymond D. Riggs, George R. Stowe, and William F. Whitaker.

Rescue
To staff; Jeffrey L. Bailey.

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To master; Charles W. Dees. (CONTINUED ON PAGE 6)

Wing Pilots Aid ROK Operation

Pilots of the 35th Tactical Fighter Wing were thanked recently for their "outstanding support rendered...to Operation Peng Ma (White-horse) #9."

In a letter, Air Force Lt. Col. John W. Kierman, air liaison officer, 9th Republic of Korea (ROK) Infantry Division, extended the appreciation of Maj. Gen. Chang Hun Yu, commanding general, 9th ROK Infantry Division, and of the Division Tactical Air Control Party (USAF).

"The outcome was a resounding success for the Korean forces, has significantly lessened the threat against Nha Trang Air Base and the city of Nha Trang, and was a fitting 18th anniversary triumph for the 9th ROK Infantry Division," he wrote.

The efforts of your command, he continued, "made a major contribution to the successful outcome of the operation. I consider the overwhelmingly favorable ratio between friendly and enemy casualties as prima facie evidence of the effectiveness of the air support."

Although official "killed by air" figures had not been released, the enemy took 382 soldiers killed in the operation, and nine wounded.

Thanksgiving Message PRESIDENT SENDS BEST WISHES

Nearly three and a half centuries ago, the first Thanksgiving Day marked a pause in the harsh labors of the Plymouth colonists.

It was a time for those who had survived the hardships of the severe winter to enjoy the bounty of a full harvest and to thank God for his many blessings. Not the least of these was the sense of freedom they found in the wilderness of this vast and yet uncharted land.

We are humbled as we look back to that day and recall the achievements of so many Americans, in all walks of life, who enriched the bounty of our soil and extended the blessings that God had showered upon our founding fathers.

Foremost among those whom we remember on this day, are the brave men and women in uniform whose sacrifices have protected our nation and preserved our cherished heritage of freedom. We are one in gratitude on this Thanksgiving Day as we are reminded of your constant courage and unquestioned devotion to this country. For thanks to you, there is hope in the homes of America today, and the hearts of America are free from fear.

Mrs. Johnson, our family and I send you our warmest wishes for a Thanksgiving celebration that brings each of you the same satisfaction and joy which you have brought to us--and all your fellow countrymen.

LYNDON B. JOHNSON

President of the United States

Yellow Jacket Pilots Have A Good Day For Strikes

F-100 Supersabre Pilots from the 352nd TFS "Yellow Jackets" recently had a number of good combat sorties over South Vietnam all in one day. Three of the missions were flown in support of Free World forces near Binh Tuy in IV Corps, in the southern part of the republic.

Commenting of his own mission, Capt. Henry J. Pirkkala Jr, said, "We had several structures in the open and the

forward air controller (FAC) saw ground fire on every pass we made." The end result of the Supersabre jockey's mission was seven enemy structures destroyed, six damaged, four sampans destroyed, four bunkers destroyed and an estimated eight enemy soldiers killed by air (KBA).

Maj. Donald W. Houston described what happened on the mission that he flew with Lt. Col. Robert D. Hook like this, "There were numerous structures visible through the trees. Our bombs were all on target and one hit a structure and yielded a large secondary explosion."

Still another strike was made against a suspected company sized VC supply area
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352nd DESTROYS GUN POSITION

Two F-100 Supersabre pilot of the 352nd TFS were recently credited with destroying an automatic weapon position in a strike southwest of Pleiku.

One of the pilots was Capt. Douglas J. Cook.

"When we arrived at the scene there was another air-strike going on and the aircraft were taking heavy ground fire," Captain Cook said. "We dropped down through the overcast and dropped some bombs so we could find exactly where the ground fire was coming from. Then all of a sudden we could see smoke and dust coming up from where the guns were firing. There were tracers and explosions flying all

around the aircraft. "We were going in just about as fast as we could go," Captain Cook said. "It was difficult putting all the bombs on the target with all those tracers coming right at us. In fact it was a little terrifying. We didn't take any hits though--it was amazing--I just couldn't believe that I hadn't been hit."

His mission accounted for the destruction of one weapon.

Yellow Jacket Pilots ...

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only eight miles from the end of the runway at Phan Rang. The pilot destroyed a bunker and uncovered several trails leading into the area, as well as starting a sustained fire in the area.

"Our FAC had quite a number of targets for us," said Capt. Rowland D. Stanley of the mission he flew with Capt. Winston J. Barr.

"Poor visibility and heavy overgrowth of the target area obscured much of the detail from us," he continued, "and when the FAC started giving us the bomb damage assesment (BDA) and more BDA, we were really overwhelmed and pleased."

The final mission was flown by Capt. Colin A. Clarke, 33, Bothell, Wash., and First Lieutenant Wendell L. Cook.

Captain Clarke commented, "The FAC spotted a bunch of VC run into some bunkers. The first '750' was right on it, destroying it completely."

The final BDA for the five sorties was 20 enemy structures destroyed, 11 damaged, 17 bunkers destroyed, 2 damaged, and 6 sampans destroyed. The high flying "Yellow Jackets" also were credited with one KBA (body count) and 13 KBA estimated. Add to that two secondary fires and two secondary explosions and 200 meters of trench destroyed, and indeed it's obvious that the pilots of the 352nd did have a good day, in fact, a very good day.

LUKE ...

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get the next dozen down," he said. Coaching Airman Minert during his marathon were SSgt. Wilburn E. Willis and Sgt. Harold Henderson while SSgt. Craig Johnson served as official egg counter, Bret R. Stagg was official judge and time keeper and Sgt. Bernard D. Shively was "load team" and advisor, all of the 35th FMS.

Eggs were provided through the courtesy of SSgt. Edward P. Dray and his brother, PFC Patrick J. Dray who is with the 21st S&S.

Chute Packing Serious Job

Aircraft of the 35th Tactical Fighter Wing here fly well over a hundred sorties per day. Though all these aircraft are different sizes and are used for a multitude of purposes, they all have one thing in common. Each aircraft depends on parachutes.

The task of maintaining and packing these 'chutes for use is the job of the 35th FMS Parachute Shop.

NCOIC of the shop, MSgt. George H. Puckett, commented, "We pack every chute as if it were a 'life or death' matter, because it is!"

Two kinds of chutes are packed in this shop; drag chutes that help brake the jet powered aircraft on landing, and personnel chutes that the pilots wear.

"Of the two chutes," said Sergeant Puckett, "the personnel chute takes longer to pack. It's bigger and harder to handle. Every personnel chute is packed as if it will surely be used, though they seldom are."

Other riggers in this section include A1C John C. Getz, SSgt. Elmer E. Overstreet, and A1C Alvin E. Tackett.

PROMOTIONS...

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To staff, Lawrence W. Beacom, Donald W. Bowman and Ernest W. Erickson.

554th CES

To master; William D. Bowdre, Palmer P. Jenkins, Albert F. Jesse and Ronald E. Stephens. To tech; James R. Metcalf, Harry W. Morse, William A. Pinto and Robert E. Walters. To staff; Dan W. Bateman, Albert A. Clark, David F. Dixon, Robert W. Long, William H. Messler, Ramiro L. Pazos, Charles R. Rice, K.A. Romanelli, Vernon E. Schwarz, Dennis H. Takaki, Robert C. Tucker, Melvin C. Waddell, Earl T. Williams, Richard R. Wise and Danny R. Young.

120th TFS

To master; Wayland D. Boyle, Donald H. Ford and Ray E. Zorens. To tech; Michael J. Valiant. To staff; Kenneth E. Blazer, Glenn H. Brocker, Terrall M. Goldman, David L. Hatch, Richard E. Hatz, Harley G. Slatton and Robert C. Stevenson.

35th AEMS

To master, Modestino A. Rullo and Roy W. Williams. To tech; Charles Garcia. To Staff; Richard E. Davis, David E. Fortney, Patrick E. Garrett Gintuatas J. Mekesa, Harold J. Ouellette, James D. Powell, W.E. Simmons Jr., Burl E. Spainhower and John F. Williams II.

504 TASS

To tech; Robert E. Barlow, Otis V. Collins and John A. Lancaster. To staff; William J. Wight.

35th FMS

To master; F.A. Thebado Jr. To tech; Edward P. Dray, Gerald L. Feagan.

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