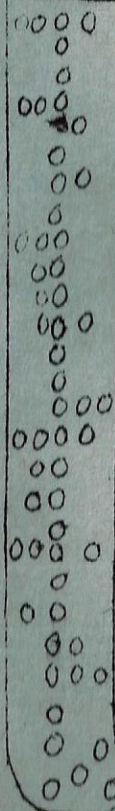
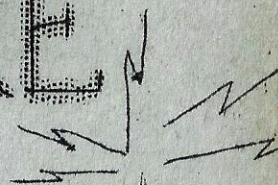
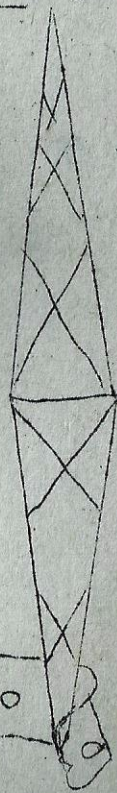


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FROM THE 6TH TO THE 8TH
WEATHER SQUADRONS

The past month we transferred 28 airmen to the 8th Weather Squadron, whose Headquarters is located at McAndrews Air Force Base, Newfoundland. 15 of these men who left, arrived in the 6th Weather Squadron in March 1949. This was directly after completion of basic and leave. A Weather Observer School and a Rawinsonde School were set up by headquarters to indoctrinate these men into weather. All of the men successfully completed their courses and were then sent to the various detachments in the Squadron.

The ties between the 8th Weather and the 6th Weather Squadrons have been tightened by this move, for there will be a small part of the 6th in the vast 8th Weather Squadron. We of the 6th will undoubtedly keep a sharp eye out for "Behind The Eight Ball" (the 8th Weather Squadrons monthly publication), to see what kind of progress our men will be making. We are sure our men will keep up the good work in the 8th Weather Squadron as they have done in this organization.

In closing we would like to say to you men who are leaving Farewell and Good Luck in your new assignment.

THE TOMORROW SPIRIT

By Richard M Graham
Chaplain (Major) USAF

North Americans are noted for their spirit of "do it now--get it over with--hurry up". In Panama we find an entirely different spirit. Here they say Manyana - tomorrow.

Perhaps we need to learn a little of the "tomorrow" philosophy. Not that we should become lazy or slovenly, but that we might learn to take things more calmly and patiently.

There is a good Bible verse which warns us against too much hurry by saying, "In your patience possess ye your soul". Yes, we need to proceed thru life a little more carefully in order that we might carry out a more balanced program and also to avoid hurtful mistakes arising from hurried effort.

A good illustration of the danger of too much hurry is the story concerning a Japanese businessman. It seems that he was on a business trip to San Francisco. He received a message stating that an earthquake in his home city had taken the lives of all members of his family. Feeling that life was hopeless without his family, he committed suicide by jumping from his hotel window. Within a matter of hours another telegram was received from his home in Japan stating that the early report was a mistake and that his family was unharmed.

The best rule for life is to, "Make haste slowly".

NOTE OF APPRECIATION

Since the inauguration of The Weather Lore in September 1947, certain individuals have tapped their reservoir of energy to give note worthy assistance in our effort to produce a better than good publication.

Your extra-curricular activity has been greatly appreciated and it is sincerely hoped that more of you will partake in a similar effort to continue with the publishing of our periodical so as to not only retain the criterion that has been set, but to attain a new standard of a higher degree with each ensuing issue.

It is felt that a special note of appreciation is due the men who have given us cover designs, and also to the Officers and Airmen who have faithfully contributed material for our publication over a period of time.

Once again we urge all of you, especially those of you stationed at our detachments to send in your articles whether they be of a technical, operational, informative or entertaining nature. A good publication is always in need of a steady flow of material, the stronger the flow, the better the publication---and by our combined efforts we can build our streamlet into a surging river of weather lore.

MILITARY STRENGTH
THE GREATEST FORCE FOR PEACE

By Capt Ronald E Dunlap

"Don't underestimate the enemy" is a military axiom as old as history, yet while realizing the truth in this all important principle of warfare people from the beginning of time have looked with contempt upon the military capabilities of a nation whose wealth is less than their own. A nation with this attitude in its arrogance provokes wars and believing in the potency of its gold, seeing in it a complete source of military power, enters into a condition of military unpreparedness and paves the road to its own ruin.

The United States almost went too far in this attitude prior to the last war. Not only was it guilty of underestimating the enemy but also in overestimating its ability to defend itself. Who in our country of vast wealth could conceive of a tiny and remote island inhabited by a timid and indigent people rise up with the suddenness of an unknown comet out of the eastern sea, swoop down upon us in terrible fury and with one blow leave us gasping for our very life.

In the early part of the last century Europe watched complacently the self devastation of France. The monarchy had been murdered; the nobility guillotined; commerce ruined; manufacturers destroyed; the countryside was a tangled thicket presided over by a half starved and tattered people. The wealth of the nation had gone up in the bonfire of the Republic. Suddenly a little sallow man took hold of these famished people, this nation devoid

of commerce, manufacturers or revenues and with it conquered the whole of incredulous Europe.

Who in the capitals of the world twenty years ago contemplated a few years hence the issuance of the Scourage of God from the midst of a poverty stricken country drained of all wealth through defeat of the great war just over. Yet this came about one day when Hitler rallied the destitute Hun and in a fortnight overran the entire of Western Europe and threatened the rest of civilization.

The wealth of a nation and its industrial power is a factor in military strength only when it is regarded in its true capacity. What good is the potential ability of a nation to place in the hands of its air force a year from now five thousand aircraft when it needs one thousand today to repel the attack of an enemy. What good is the industrial potential of a nation when it can be reduced to ineffectiveness by enemy air operations even before it gets started.

The ultimate objective of any nation is first to endure as a nation subordinate only to the rules of its own making and second to endure in peace. In the first objective the only possible chance of success is the maintenance in readiness of a military force capable of immediately dealing with any possible enemy. In the second objective the best possible chance of success is to maintain a military force which would command the respect of any nation contemplating aggression.

History has proven that international diplomacy and the pacts and treaties which are the fruits of its efforts is effective only so

long as its conditions please the nation who is aiming toward aggression. In fact these treaties are often used as tools in the maneuver for position. Hitler was glad to enter into treaties of peace as he sparred for time. When these treaties had served his purpose he no longer had regard whatever for their sanctity. He violated them at his pleasure when they stood in the path of his objective of world domination. Despite this international arbitration is necessary if peace is to be had. It should not, however, be permitted to stand in the place of the military preparedness of a nation. To serve its mission in maintaining peace and security this military preparedness must not be any less nor should it be greater than that of any nation who threatens war.

The threat of immediate retaliation with an effective striking force should deter any aggressor from attacking. It is chiefly through the maintenance of an adequate standing military force that the probability of war is minimized.

Since the prevention of war is the ultimate end to which our best efforts are devoted our greatest concern should be in determining and establishing the forces of peace. In doing this we should not overlook adequate military strength as perhaps the greatest force for peace. Military strength based upon the principles of tolerance, freedom and good will.

OPERATIONS

By Major Mark J Brown

"Phase down" appears to be the key word in this area and it certainly applies to the activities of the 6th Weather Squadron. We are closing stations as rapidly as possible in accordance with the desires of the Caribbean Air Command. It is estimated that by 1 Jan 1950 the only overseas locations of the Squadron will be Albroom and Ramey Air Force Bases. Squadron headquarters will remain at Albroom for an indefinite period of time and then move to Banana River, Florida. In the future we will organize a station at Banana River and probably some small outlying stations. We may possibly take over Kindley Air Force Base, Bermuda and we will organize a sferics section at McDill Air Force Base, Florida.

This proves that the job of this organization continues and the 6th Weather Squadron very definitely has a future.

So many warnings have been issued to prevent personnel from "going casual" before they receive their orders that I am sure nothing is necessary from this headquarters in that regard. Weathermen have always been expected to work whatever hours are necessary to accomplish the mission.

The latest amendment to AF Reg 60-16 is a boon to pilots but may prove to be a headache to forecasters. The change allows a pilot to file and fly VFR above an overcast or between layers if a VFR climb and let down can be made. Forecasting tops of clouds and cloud conditions at terminals thus becomes of great

importance. On a recent flight between Warner Robins and Andrews, I had an opportunity to try this new procedure. Robins was clear upon takeoff but shortly thereafter we flew over a solid deck of stratus which persisted past Richmond. As we approached Andrews large holes began to appear and we were able to make a VFR descent. If the forecaster at Robins had been wrong and Andrews had been overcast, we would probably still be trying to make a let down.

The 6th Weather Squadron book of local forecasts studies has been published and is being distributed to all stations. It is hoped that this book will assist forecasters (especially recent arrivals) in forecasting for this area. It must always be borne in mind that any forecaster study must be under constant surveillance for amendments or additions.

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The soldier and his girl friend were leaving the park concert.

Chick: "George, you shouldn't have kissed me there in the dark. Lots of people were around."

Sgt: "I didn't kiss you. But if I ever find out who did, I'll teach him a thing or two!"

She: "George, you couldn't teach him anything."
(AFPS)

HERE AT ALBROOK

October rolled around and everyone could see old faces around again. Many of the old faces belonged to the men processing out of Headquarters for their new assignments in the 8th Weather Squadron. Some of the faces were those of some of the men from the various bases being deactivated.

One of our most popular sub-bases and detachments in the Caribbean, Guatemala City will probably be discontinued in the near future. The weathermen, as well as the other men at Guat City must be heart broken to have to leave that tropical paradise, with its beautiful señoritas and cool, cool nights. We imagine the per diem will also be missed.

Detachment 6-1 recently lost another Chief Observer, S Sgt Jacques. Sgt Jacques was assigned to the 2108th Air Weather Group, which is within 8 miles of his home, the lucky stiff. The new Chief Observer is Sgt Dolan.

A party of 10 men set out the later part of last month for a picnic at Palm Beach. A 2 1/2 was provided and lunches were prepared by the mess hall. After being battered and beaten by the breakers and burned to a crisp by the sun, the weary men returned to Albrook. It wasn't long before each of them was in his sack and reminiscing about the good time had by all. Plans are being made for another picnic sometime this month.

The Hq and 6-1 sports field has had a little excitement the past month. The bowling team is currently in second place, and has high hopes of getting into first place. The

team is made up of Lt Libby, Lt Mauch, T Sgt Neeley, MSgt Thompson, S Sgt Stedina, S Sgt Benson, Cpl Renner and Pvt Lunzman.

Volley ball has been the most attractive sport in the past few weeks. New life was added to the Weather team when Capt Jordan and Lt Libby came out to play.

With no coach, the loss of players, and a little loss of interest, our basketball team folded up.

With the World Series over, and the Yankees the victors, some of the men in the Weather barracks are looking forward to getting a little shut eye now and then. Oh! those arguing Red Sock fans they go on and on and on. Come to think of it Football is started now so I guess we will never get any sleep on Wednesday afternoons or any other afternoon for that matter.

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Nowadays you can't judge a woman's character by her clothes; insufficient evidence.

Waitress: "Yes, I'm married now. I married a man in the village fire department."

Visiting Sailor: "Volunteer?"

Waitress: "No, Pa made him."

Chic Chick: "I'm so discouraged. Everything I do seems wrong."

Guy: "What are you doing tonight?"

RAMEY REPORTS

By Sgt Robert J Copiskey

With September came a general shake-up in the organization of the 6th Weather Squadron and consequently a few changes in the setup at 6-25. The closing of several of the smaller detachments in the Squadron provided a surplus of Weather Forecasters and Observers. The only new forecaster to arrive at this station during the month of September was Capt Franklin P Hall from Waller AFB, Trinidad. Two observers, Cpl's Kelley and Douglass were placed on orders transferring them to Headquarters and from there, they will be further assigned to the 8th Weather Squadron Headquarters at McAndrews AFB, Newfoundland. Several other forecasters and observers are expected to arrive in the near future.

Returning from leave in the States was Sgt Otto Schramm. He spent 35 days in a quaint Connecticut town named Mystic. Leaving for the States on an extended visit was Sgt August A Hanson, who is planning to visit his home on Long Island, New York and thereabouts.

On 21 September, a small tropical storm was located by Weather Forecasters approximately 100 miles to the southeast of St Croix. The storm built up to hurricane intensity and was labeled Storm George. A Hurricane Alert was sounded for Ramey and the Weather Station became like a "nest of bees". At approximately midnight on the 21st, the storm passed within a radius of 30 miles of the station. The highest wind was recorded at 68 miles per hour. At 1200 LST on the 22nd, the hurricane winds had subsided and the All Clear was sounded

for the base.

Continuing on their winning ways was the Weather-AACS basketball team. On October 1, the team won its eighteenth game without a single loss. The playoffs to decide the League Championship will be played during the first week in October. The winners will be determined by a best of two out of a three game series. A brief summary of the scores of the games played are as follows: (8) Wea-AACS 75 M & S Sq 33; Game (9) Wea-AACS 75 Air Sea Rescue 50; (10) Wea-AACS 92 Air Base Sq 16; (11) Wea-AACS 53 Composite Wing 52; (12) Wea-AACS 98 Officers 44; (13) Wea-AACS 108 Civilians 47; (14) Wea-AACS 143 M & S Sq 52; (15) Wea-AACS 54 Air Sea Rescue 41; (16) Wea-AACS 81 Air Base Sq 35; (17) Wea-AACS 79 Composite Wing 42; and game (18) Wea-AACS 2 Officers 0 (forfeit). A new individual scoring record for the base was set by Cpl Douglass of the Weather Detachment, when he scored the amazing number of 56 points in a single game. In a previous game, Sgt Bill Lehew, also of the Weather Det., broke the base record when he put together 52 points in one game to shatter the old mark of 50 points set back in 1943. The Wea-AACS team also broke the team scoring record for the base, when they amassed in their game against 5900th M & S Sq team, a total of 143 points.

Also along the sports line was found the Ramey Base Swimming Team, traveling to Losey Field at Ponce, Puerto Rico for the annual Antillies Swim Meet. Representing the Weather Detachment were Sgt Copiskey and Cpl Stephen S Bierds of the Plidar Project. The final scoring found Fort Bundy in 1st place; Ramey

in 2nd; Henry Barracks in 3rd; Fort Brooks in 4th; Losey Field in 5th; and Fort Buchanan in 6th place. All members of the Ramey team contributed to the scoring which placed us in second place in the annual meet.

A combined bowling team of Weather and AACS has worked its way up to fifth place in the twelve team Ramey Base Bowling League. The team does exceptionally well against the first place teams, but can't seem to take the teams below them in the race for the title. Members of this Det bowling on the team are: M Sgt Bair, M Sgt Adams, Sgt Weldon and Sgt John Arnett.

Sgt Evenson and Sgt Kerns were visitors at Waller AFB on the 29th of September. There they visited with former observers of this Detachment and brought their good wishes to their friends here.

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Concluding the Sunday school lesson with a clinching question, the teacher asked, "Why did Noah take two of each kind of animal into the ark?"

"Because," answered a bright lad, "he didn't believe in the stork."

Sgt: "My girl has a figure like a million dollars."

Cpl: "Oh, yeah. Then most of it is poorly invested."

NEWS FROM ROBINS

By S Sgt John L Madden

The new men that arrived here from Scott Air Force Base, Illinois have been going to school here the past month to learn the operation of Sferics. They have all completed the course very satisfactorily and are ready to go on shift. S Sgt Robert L Smith has been the instructor, and I might add that he has done a very good job in putting the Sferics subject over.

Captain Perry J Emmert was supposed to be leaving for Ramey Air Force Base, Puerto Rico, but orders came through from Headquarters 6th Weather for him to remain at Robins until further notice. Perhaps we'll have a new net after all.

The Fourteenth Air Force is moving their Headquarters here to Robins Air Force Base in the very near future. The "Troops" are all worried about the Mess Hall becoming crowded but it is anticipated that the Fourteenth will most likely have their own Mess Hall. We understand that they have a very elaborate NCO Club, if so, we sure hope they set it up here. The only club for the Airmen on this base is the Service Club.

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HEARD AND OVER HEARD

LOST: One partial plate in the Pacific Ocean. All I want for Christmas is my four front teeth. Signed S Sgt Carlton

FOUND: Some of the 6th Weathermen broadening their education by attending Junior College. Is it the education, or is it the women?

HEARD: Sgt Hall and Cpl Backus bought a '41 Chrysler convertible for \$175, good buy. Will it run??

FOUND: The weathermen singing "Boys its cold up there", to the men departed for the 8th Weather Sq.

LOST: T Sgt Williams for a few days. Just dropped out of sight, the reason couldn't be that his wife recently arrived from the states.

FOUND: The 6th Weather family growing with the arrival of M Sgt Thompson's wife and two children.

HEARD: Colonel Hass is the proud owner of 6 pedigree Cocker Spaniel puppies, born Sept. 13th. Where are the cigars?

HEARD: Headquarters and Det 6-1 had a combined party the 1st of October. The party was a huge success. Activities included: hedge trimming, grass cutting,

wall washing, sweeping, and mopping. All in all everyone had a good time and Headquarters is glittering with cleanliness.

FOUND: Colonel Hass and Captain Dunlap fighting a fierce battle with Davey Jones's locker. Seems as though they ran into unexpected stormy weather while fishing in the Panama Bay. We understand they got a little wet. Tec, tech with 24 forecasters available too.

FOUND: Lt and Mrs Cole the proud parents of a 6 lb 14 oz baby girl, born to them on October 9th.

FOUND: The 6th Weather Squadron still growing, with the recent arrival of Major Brown's wife, Beatrice and daughter, Susan Lee.

FOUND: An Artist for The Weather lore, Cpl James Johnson of Detachment 6-24 Miami, Fla. He designed this months cover.

WANTED: More articles from the personnel in our various detachments, for entry in The Weather Lore.

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HOMETOWN NEWS
(AFPS)

Pittsburg - Detective Edward Scanlon was stumped. He had no description of Ronald Curry- he was supposed to pick up on a bad check charge. The policeman didn't give up, though. Learning his quarry was believed aboard an inbound train, Detective Scanlon hurried to the station and called out: "Hurry Curry." The wanted man stepped up and was promptly trundled off to jail.

Lastande, Ore - When a dog shoots a farmer, that's news. It happened when Flyod Hylton was trying to shoot a chicken hawk over his barn. His dog jumped up, knocked down his gun, nervously pawed at the trigger-and drilled farmer Hylton in the hand that feeds him.

Lake George, N.Y. - Here's a surprise for the bard who said newlyweds want to be by themselves. A reunion is planned next year by 150 couples who have just organized a "Lake George Honeymoon Assn."

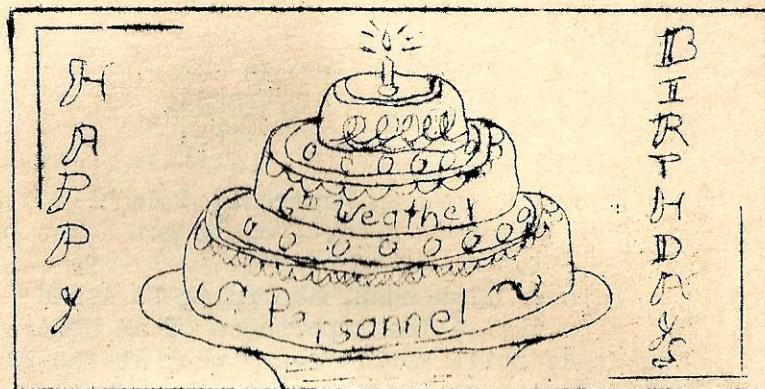
Baltimore - When two cars collided at a downtown intersection both drivers hurried away on foot without asking questions. Police who arrived on the scene minutes later found both the abandoned machines had been stolen earlier that night from different parts of the city.

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WORKING HARD ????

An Airman who complained about working too hard was told, "You don't really work at all. There are 365 days in a year. You sleep 8 hours everyday, making 122 days. Which subtracted from 365 leaves 243 days. You also have 8 hours recreation each day, making another 122 days and leaving 121 days. There are 52 Sundays in the year that you do not work at all, which deducted from 121 leaves 69 days. Our Squadron is closed every Saturday afternoon this giving 52 half holidays or 26 days off, leaving a balance of 43 days. Usually you are allowed an hour for lunch which gives you 16 more days off, leaving a total of 27 working days. You take minimum of two weeks leave per year and this leaves only 13 days left. There are 12 legal holidays in the year when we are off duty. This leaves 1 day left, that is Saint Patrick's Day and who works then????

The sentry rattled off general and special orders perfectly. The O.D. looked pleased and said: "Fine, everything's fine."
 "Not only that," added the guard with a wink, "I got some Scotch, Sir. Wanna drink?"
 "Corporal of the guard", yelled the infuriated O.D.
 "Shhhhh!!" shushed the rookie, "there won't be enough for three".



TO THE OFFICERS AND AIRMEN
 BORN IN OCTOBER

Sgt	August A Hanson	October	2
S. Sgt	Vernon W Bateman	"	4
Capt	Joseph E French	"	6
Cpl	Donald N Seay	"	6
Sgt	Wilfred A Fournier	"	9
M Sgt	Glenfield F Thompson	"	9
Cpl	Paul E Wright	"	9
Sgt	Otto F Schramm	"	11
S Sgt	Arthur J Johnson	"	12
Sgt	Walter P Mardyla	"	12
Pfc	Arthur T. Bauer	"	16
Cpl	Richard R Canady	"	18
Major	Henry A Harper	"	21
S Sgt	Ben J Giarraputo	"	22
Sgt	Mario Marino	"	24
T Sgt	Edward N Partanen	"	26
Cpl	Thomas C Renner	"	26
Cpl	Maurice H Backus	"	28
Cpl	William J Yuscinsky	"	28
Cpl	John L English	"	29
Pfc	James E Dail	"	30
S Sgt	Joseph F MacKissic	"	30

KEEP YOUR RECORD CLEAN,
IT PAYS BIG DIVIDENDS
(AFPS)

"I wish I had an honorable discharge instead of the one I have. I can't get a job because of it."

Letters like that, according to Armed Forces Talk 288, titled The Importance of an Honorable Discharge, still arrive every week at the Discharge Review Boards. What can be done about them? Nothing.

That is, nothing can be done about them after the discharges are issued except in the rare cases where the veteran can show they were issued unfairly.

Plenty can be done by the Serviceman, however, before the time comes for discharge. And it can be done easily by keeping his record clean. It's to illustrate the importance of that simple remedy that the Talk outlines the types of discharges and their various benefits and consequences.

"Until recently," the Talk points out, "the Army and the Air Force issued three types of discharges honorable, undesirable, and dishonorable. These were the familiar white, blue, and yellow discharges. The Navy issued several other kinds.

"Now, however, each of the Services issues five types of discharges honorable, general, undesirable, bad conduct and dishonorable."

The first three are white. The last two are blue, with yellow no longer in use.

Here's how you earn them and what they mean to you:

An honorable discharge goes only to those whose character ratings are at least "very good," whose efficiency ratings are at least "excellent" and who have no conviction by a general court martial and no more than one by special or summary court martials. In other words, this certificate indicates the serviceman's record has been highly satisfactory.

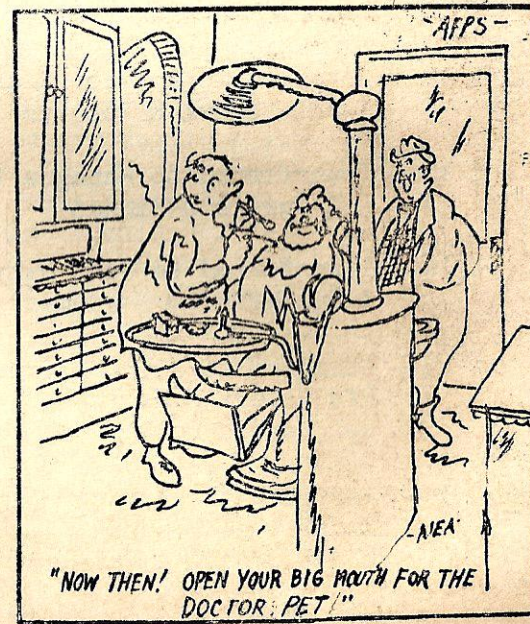
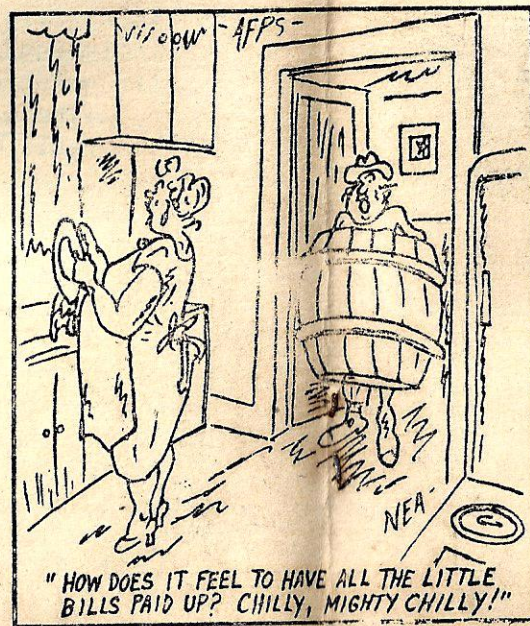
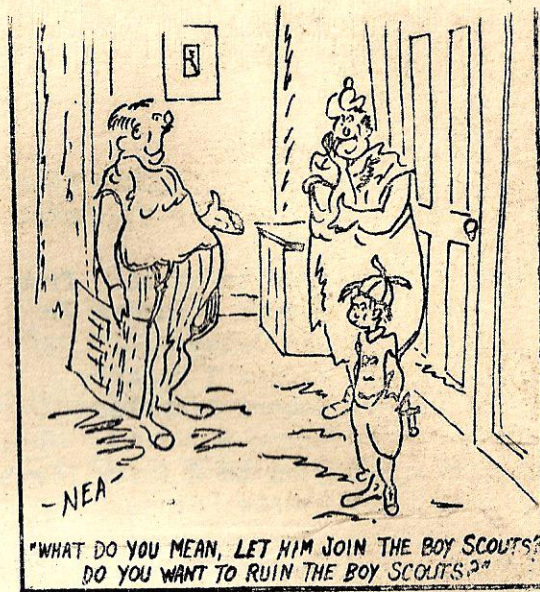
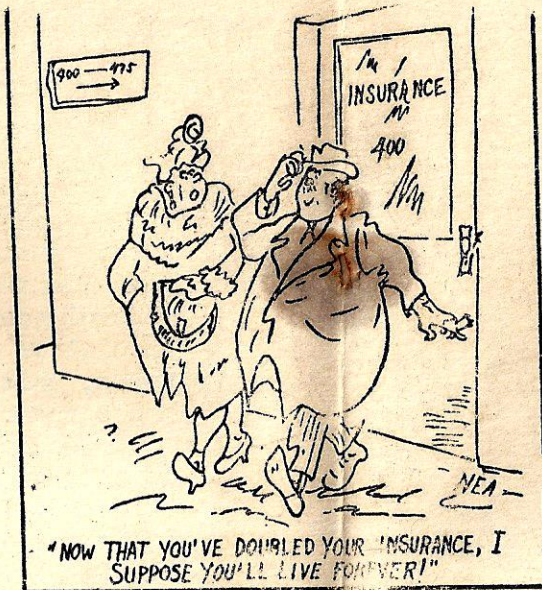
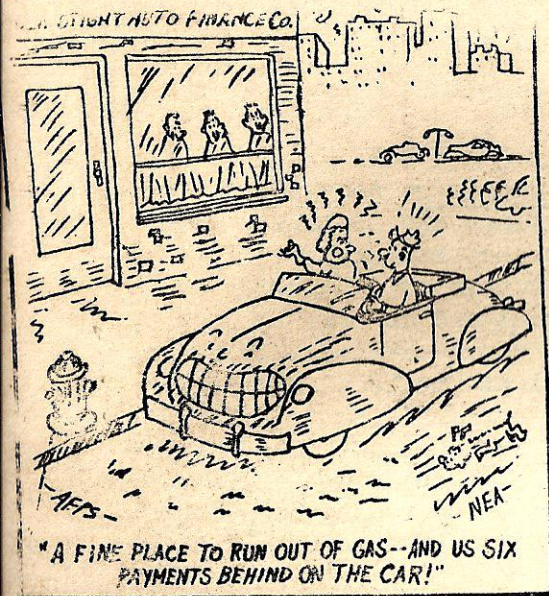
The general discharge next down the line is also commendable but shows not quite so good a record. Either of these types, however, entitles the discharged serviceman to all veteran's benefits.

Those who receive the undesirable discharge generally are cases of fraudulent enlistment, physically unfit deserters, those convicted in civil courts and those declared unfit for military service. It may or may not deprive the individual of veteran's benefits. The same is true of the bad conduct discharge.

The bad conduct certificate, and the dishonorable discharge as well, are issued to those convicted by various types of courts martial, depending on the circumstances.

The dishonorable discharge always deprives its holder of all veteran's benefits and in some cases also civil rights. And though the law doesn't say so, any discharge that's "blue" can haunt you the rest of your life. That's because employers who have so much good material to choose from don't have to take chances these days.

What type of discharge are YOU earning? As the Talk points out, your future may depend on it.



INTRA-SQUADRON CHANGES
September 7 - October 4

- Sept 7 - Assigned to Albrook from France
Sgt Jewett W Borden Jr
Sgt Dan Casey
Sgt Victor T McGarry
Cpl Robert L Carlson
- Sept 8 - Returned to Z I for Discharge
Sgt Andrew Polansky
- Sept 8 - Returned to Z I for Reassignment
T Sgt William J Bumbera
S Sgt Charles H Schlittler
- Sept 12 - Returned to Z I for Reassignment
Captain William H Staten
- Sept 12 - Returned to Z I for Reassignment
T Sgt Robert E Roberts
- Sept 12 - Transferred to Managua from Albrook
Cpl Aurlis D Kinnet
- Sept 12 - Transferred to Guat City from Albrook
S Sgt William H Thomas
- Sept 15 - Assigned to Albrook from Managua
Pfc Robert N Noble
Cpl Harold Dail Jr
- Sept 19 - Assigned to Albrook from France
T Sgt Gene F Szuch
Sgt Ernest A Hamblett

- Sept 20 - Returned to Z I for Discharge
S Sgt Frederick L Wilkerson
- Sept 24 - Returned to Z I for Discharge
Sgt Donald P Casey
Sgt Donald W Done
- Sept 25 - Transferred to Hq. from Vernam
Cpl Richard A Gottstine
Cpl Frank P McDaniel
- Sept 26 - Returned to Z I for Reassignment
Major Edwin C McAnelly
- Sept 27 - Transferred to Barranquilla from Managua
S Sgt Arthur J Johnson
- Sept 27 - Transferred to Albrook from Howard
Sgt Juan De La Cruz Bou
Cpl Carl J Anderson
Cpl George T Garner
Cpl Frederick L Patrick
- Sept 27 - Transferred to Hq. from Managua
Sgt Donald R Billman
Cpl Aurlis D Kinnet
Pfc William W Balestra
Pfc Richard T Brow
Pfc Raymond Peyronel
- Sept 27 - Transferred to Hq. from Waller
M Sgt Charles F McGuire
S Sgt Ralph R Koch
Sgt Charles S Bender

Sept 27 - Transferred to Hq from Howard
 Cpl John Tompkins
 Cpl Robert J Munson
 Cpl James H Sandlin

Sept 28 - Transferred to Hq from Vernam
 Pfc Danny E Senters

Sept 29 - Transferred to Albrook from Howard
 Captain Joseph E French

Sept 30 - Transferred to Ramey from Waller
 Captain Franklin P Hall

Oct 1 - Transferred to Hq from Barranquilla
 Cpl James Haringa
 Cpl Attilio E Sansevero
 Cpl James P Custer

Oct 1 - Transferred to Orlando Fla. for
 Discharge from Miami
 M Sgt Robert W Becker
 S Sgt Joseph A Goble
 Sgt James P Greene
 Sgt Larry D Plant

Oct 3 - Transferred to 2108th AW Gp from Albrook
 S Sgt Richard P Jacques

Oct 3 - Trfd to Narsarssuak Grnld from Albrook
 S Sgt Ralph R Koch
 Sgt Charles S Bender
 Cpl Richard A Gottstine
 Cpl Frank P McDaniel
 Cpl Robert J Munson
 Cpl James H Sandlin

Pfc Daniel D Dinneen
 Pfc Howard S Dyer
 Pfc Harvey S Fink
 Pfc William O Pifer

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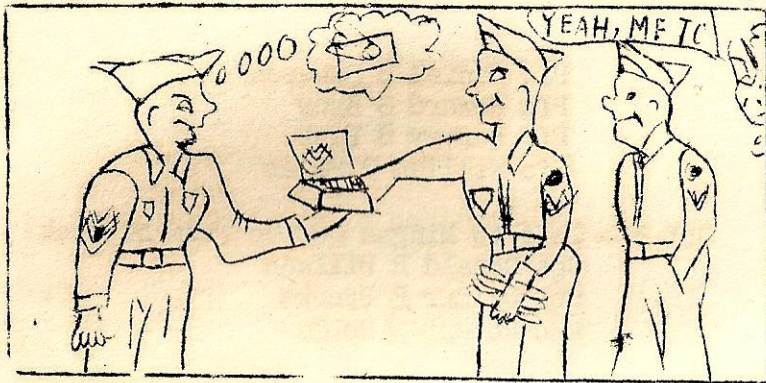
Oct 3 - Trfd to Goose Bay from Albrook
 Cpl Aurlis D Kinnet
 Cpl Danny E Senters
 Pfc William S Smith

Oct 3 - Trfd to Torbay Newfoundland from Albrook
 Cpl William W Balestra
 Cpl Richard T Brow
 Cpl Raymond Peyronel

Oct 3 - Trfd to Argentia Newfoundland from Albrook
 M Sgt Charles F McGuire
 Cpl Joseph P Kelley

Oct 3 - Trfd to Lagens Azores from Albrook
 Cpl James P Custer Cpl Attilio E Sansevero
 Cpl Donavan D Douglass Cpl John Tompkins
 Cpl James Haringa Pfc Arthur N Babcock
 Cpl Donald E Phelps

Oct 4 - Transferred to Ramey from Waller
 Cpl Glen E Sanders
 Cpl Grant L Twitchell
 Cpl William J Yuscinsky



PROMOTIONS

Effective 1 October 1949

TO STAFF SERGEANT

Sgt 2750	Donald P Benson	Hq 6th Wea Sq
Sgt 942	Alfred K Blackwell	Det 6-28 Waller
Sgt 942	Cecil J Esneault	Det 6-27 Vernam
Sgt 784	Harold G Evenson	Det 6-25 Ramey
Sgt 784	Richard P Jacques	Det 6-1 Albrook
Sgt 942	John D Stedina	Det 6-1 Albrook
Sgt 754	Robert E Strauss	Det 6-27 Vernam

TO SERGEANT

Cpl 784	John R Arnett	Det 6-25 Ramey
Cpl 942	William E Rideout	Det 6-8 Managua
Cpl 784	Harold J Stillwell	Det 6-27 Vernam
Cpl 784	William Thayer	Det 6-1 Albrook
Cpl 784	William J Thompson	Det 6-27 Vernam

TO CORPORAL

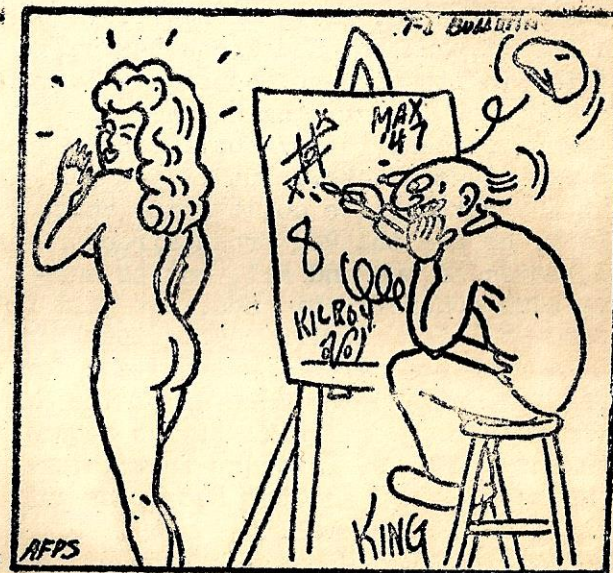
Pfc 942	William W Balestra	Hq 6th Wea Sq
Pfc 942	Delmar E Brooks	Det 6-1 Albrook
Pfc 942	Richard T Brow	Hq 6th Wea Sq

TO CORPORAL (Cont'd)

Pfc 784	John L English	Det 6-24 Miami
Pfc 784	Maurice E Milner	Det 6-24 Miami
Pfc 942	Raymond Peyronel	Hq 6th Wea Sq
Pfc 942	Danny E Senters	Hq 6th Wea Sq
Pfc 784	Robert E Webb	Det 6-24 Miami

TO PRIVATE FIRST CLASS

Pvt 521	William W Aby	Hq 6th Wea Sq
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"THE OLD SARGE SAYS"

By S Sgt Donald L Lindimer

It is said that a good airman is one who does a little griping. I am all for it if the person has a good idea what he has to gripe about and if this object of his criticism has a foundation. One thing that seems to cause a bit of griping is the American Red Cross, its methods and proceedings. It is in defense of this worthy institution that the following information is presented. Primarily aimed at its critics, it is intended for the information of all.

No organization, large or small, is perfect in itself, and the Red Cross has some butterflies in its make-up, consequently it is open for gripes. The griping however is done to the wrong places, in your bull sessions and by past experiences, etc., but if you want to take out the butterflies don't gripe among yourselves, go see the Red Cross Director and he will listen to one and all, but be sure you have some concrete evidence, not just hearsay before you see him with your gripe.

It is rather apparent that quite a few of you do not understand the make-up of the Red Cross. In this respect I will try to acquaint you with the Red Cross in order that future relations between you and the Red Cross will be a little more congenial.

The American Red Cross was brought into being under the authority of a Congressional charter and as prescribed by AR 850-75, the American Red Cross conducts a program concerned with the comfort and welfare of persons in the

armed services and their dependents. This program is carried out through Red Cross personnel assigned to military establishments and through Home Service of local Red Cross chapters in home communities.

Red Cross Field Directors and Assistant Field Directors are assigned to military stations hospitals. These Field Directors supplement the Government's provisions for the care of service personnel, and those who receive news of problems in their families, arrange with the approval of the Commanding Officer for a timely departure when airmen are needed at home and meet other social problems which may affect the welfare and morale of those in the service. Upon request from any of the armed services Medical Corps, Red Cross hospital workers are assigned to aid in the adjustment of personal and family worries which are retarding the recovering of patients.

The Red Cross assists with communications between those in the service and their families, makes available the communications and other resources of the International Red Cross; assists service personnel and families in applying for family allowances; obtains, for military and naval authorities social histories required for medical treatment and reports on home conditions required in connection with questions of discharge, furlough or clemency. One point to remember when you are on leave and wish for an extension is, notify the local Red Cross and they will determine and verify your extension if needed, but you must also notify your Commanding Officer which a lot of you fail to do.

If you are on leave while serving overseas you will notify the Port Commander requesting your extension. While you are in the Service, the Service provides everything for your material needs such as housing, food, clothing, training and medical care. A lot of things can happen to a man and his family while he is in the service such as, the little woman is ill, your family allowance delayed or no mail from home. Suppose something goes wrong at home or you have a personal problem, let the Red Cross lift that burden from your aching GI back, because there are over three thousand Red Cross Chapters all over the United States. The Red Cross Field Directors have access to every community in the country. As big and varied as its activities are, the Red Cross can't do everything. For an example: It can't grant leave, but it can and does present the facts in obtaining emergency leaves from your Commanding Officer. Tell your family to see the local Red Cross Chapter if an emergency arises requiring your presence at home.

In any endeavor the Red Cross is sincere in its intent. It is always on your side when you are in need of help.

We all know what a wonderful job General Marshall did during the war and now that he is the new Red Cross Director, we should all support him and the Red Cross 100%.

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WEATHERMAN'S ODE TO THE CLOUDS

I gaze upon your lovely forms,
Your beauty brings raptures feeling;
My soul must yield to Weather Forms
That label you cloudy - a 'cig.

The red-hued sunset that 'cirrus bears -
To an artist, a poet, it mattered;
But I must shun the exquisite world
And record "Hi brkn low sctd#"

The sunlight dances on towering clouds,
A glory of nature at best,
But not so for me, poor weatherman.
To me its "Twrg cu W#"

The blanket of soft white - tuffed cloud,
It awes you most at night.
Inscribed "Ac at 9 thsd ft"
"Tis no hint of a beauteous sight.

So realize the torment that wracks my soul
When the sky with cloudforms is replete,
and duty compels me to limit my gaze
And determine the cig in ft.

And so it is ever for shift upon shift
A battle twixt soul and mind,
While the former raves on in rhetorical drift,
The other to beauty is blind.

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INSPECTORS NOTES

By Capt Frederick W Marr

Scheduled for inspection during the month of October are the following stations: Barranquilla, Waller, and Ramey.

Since Barranquilla is closing around the 15th of October we will be unable to inspect them.

During the month of November Albrook, Miami and Robins are scheduled for inspection.

Our detachments are closing down so fast that it is hard to keep up with their exact status so here is the latest poop:

Vernam - closed, personnel awaiting transfer.

Barranquilla - closing appx 15 October 1949.

Managua - closing appx 15 November 1949.

France - closed during September 1949.

Howard - limited forecasting and observing, closing later.

Waller - limited forecasting and observing, closing later.

Albrook - no change

Ramey - no change

Miami - no change

Robins - no change

Guatemala City - tentative

We are going to establish two (2) new detachments in the near future, first a "CRX" station at Banana River, Florida and second a "Z" section at Tampa, Florida.

We probably won't get to see all of you that are returning to the states, transferred to the 8th Squadron and etc. It was nice knowing you and working with you. So long and the best of luck.

DID YOU KNOW THAT? (AFPS)

The Veteran's Administration plans to mail a million checks a week when it begins payment of \$2.8 billion NSLI dividends next January.

Army and Air Force Serial Numbers will be called Service Numbers under new Regulations being issued. The Navy has used "Service Numbers" for many years.

Under a new Air Force policy governing personnel training in civilian schools, the Government will allow a maximum of \$10 per semester hour, or \$7 per quarter hour, for courses at schools listed in the publication "Accredited Higher Institutions 1948." The students will pay registration and miscellaneous fees, cost of text books and other individual equipment.

New estimates of the Hiroshima Atom bomb casualties, higher than any previously advanced claim 210,000 to 240,000 persons perished in the blast including 30,000 Japanese soldiers.

Each applicant for enlistment in the Air Force has to score 100 in his classification test, instead of 90, it was recently announced. In addition, enlistees will have to serve four to six years instead of three years previously.

The first separation notices to Army Reserve officers affected by the Defence Department's economy program have started going out, so that officers slated for separation

by December 31 will have 90 day's notice.

Some of the 3,127 Reserve Air officers slated for separation under the economy program, are expected to qualify for assignment under a new Air Force program for recall of 460 officers to man the 23 Reserve Training Centers throughout the U.S.

Finance officials of all Armed Services have completed plans for implementation of the new pay law. With scattered exceptions, all personnel affected will be paid under the new law November 1.

The total energy of an ordinary .22 calibre rimfire cartridge is sufficient to lift a 150-pound man one foot off the ground.

Covering 500 miles a day it would take you more than seven and a half years to travel all the improved roads in the U.S.

"I have a confession to make to you. I'm a married man."

"Gosh, you scared me. I thought you were going to say this car wasn't yours."

Lt Helehan: "Why aren't you working?"

Cpl La Palme: "I didn't see you coming, sir."

Rawinsonde performance for the 11th Weather Squadron for the month of AUGUST.

<u>STATION</u>	<u>OBLIGATED ASCENTS</u>	<u>RAWIN ASCENTS</u>	<u>RAOB ASCENTS</u>	<u>AV RAWIN HEIGHTS</u>	<u>AV RAOB HEIGHTS</u>	<u>HIGHEST RUN</u>
DAVIS	62	51	51	16,755	45,144	65,910
AMCHITKA	62	36	45	21,007	47,365	67,329
CAPE AFB	62	23	26	18,789	32,060	54,570
THORNBROUGH	62	36	19	20,408	34,078	55,134

kept him front page news for weeks. The persistence of the newspapers forced him to move to the West Coast. However his "employer" had made it worth his while and jobs were available all over the country to an efficient operator.

His stay on the coast had not been as beneficial as he had planned. The one chance that he had been given, he had muffed and now no one there would trust him with a job.

He had started east again and had gotten as far as Chicago when this last job had appeared. It was his opportunity to prove his worth to the boys on the coast. He had made certain that this job wouldn't fail. The room had been rented two weeks in advance and he had remained in it for days at a time without leaving. He paid the weeks rent every Monday and left strict orders not to be disturbed until the following week.

Today was Tuesday. The rent was paid and no one would enter the room until the body decomposed enough to attract attention. He took one last look at his victim. The smile was gone now. The victim's hands were at his throat groping for air. He struggled at first then-----.

Within a matter of seconds the victim was lying on the floor. The mirror still hanging on the wall. There, one could see the twisted face of the victim. The killer's last job was a success.

ODE TO A CIGARETTE BUTT

Ah, thou charred and worn out weed,
Now no longer found in need,
Yours has been a life of sorrow,
Here today-gone tomorrow.

Once your form was round and firm,
"Smooth and firm and straight of line,"
In a white pack you did lie,
'Neath the words, ' "They Satisfy."

Or perhaps yours was the style,
For which is claimed "I'd walk a mile."
Perchance in you we find the key,
For chanting, "LSMFT."

Twice as long may be your own,
Or you may aid the "Ole T-Zone."
It might be, "more for half the money,"
Or maybe you see "Apple Honey."

Yet no matter what the praise is
People no more sign your praises;
You who were once quite the strutter,
Now are resting in the gutter.

This proves that even in your "writ-up"
It doesn't pay to get "lit-up"
For wiser you'd be to stay on the shelf,
Then to go out and make a damn ash of yourself.

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SPORT SHORTS
(AFPS)

Hollywood - Jim Thorpe, Carlisle football star, has been engaged by Warner Bros. to act as technical advisor for the picture, "All-American" which will portray the story of the great Indian's unexcelled career as a master of gridiron strategy.

New York - The New York Yankees for three consecutive years have played before more than two million patrons at Yankee Stadium.

Pittsburg - Beginning in 1950, the University of Pittsburg will clash with the Fighting Irish of Notre Dame on the gridiron in a new four-year series. The teams were not scheduled this season because of conflicting dates.

East Lansing Mich. - "Biggie" Munn, head football coach at Michigan State, was recently named to Christy Walsh's 25-year All-American team at a guard post. Munn played collegiate football at Minnesota.

New Brunswick, N.J. - When the football squads at Rutgers and Princeton clash on the gridiron this year, there will be a large demand for tickets from the students and fans. However, when the two schools played the first football game on Nov 6, 1869, there were no ticket worries. Only about 50 students saw this contest.

AIRMAN OF THE MONTH

Staff Sergeant Richard P Jacques steps up to become Airman of the month. Sgt Jacques was born in Westfield, Massachusetts, where most of his childhood was spent. Sgt Jacques' schooling for the most part was obtained in Westfield and he graduated from the West Springfield High School in June 1945.

During his summer vacations, Jacques worked for the Government at the Springfield Armory Arsenal.

Civilian Jacques enlisted in the Air Force on Jan 15, 1946 at Fort Devins Mass. Jacques took his basic at Keesler Field, Mississippi. Upon the successful completion of basic he was sent to Weather Observer School at Chanute Air Force Base, Illinois.

Completing Weather School, Pvt Jacques was sent to the Continental Weather Wing and was further assigned to the 2103 Air Weather Group. His next assignment left Jacques at Lowry Air Force Base, where he was promoted to Corporal in March 1947. Cpl Jacques was discharged at Lowry and reenlisted for three years in the 8th Weather Squadron.

In March of '48 Cpl Jacques was assigned to the 6th Weather Squadron with duties at Albrook Air Force Base.

Cpl Jacques was stationed at Albrook until August 1948. He was then sent to Galapagos Island which is 400 miles off the coast of Ecuador. Cpl Jacques was stationed there for 3 months and during this period assumed the duties of NCOIC of the Weather Detachment.

Cpl Jacques returned to Albrook when the

Detachment there was discontinued. He was promoted to Sergeant and then hospitalized for two months, with an eye infection.

After being released from the hospital Sgt Jacques returned to the weather station at Albrook Air Force Base.

In August 1949 Sgt Jacques assumed the duties of Chief Observer. After only 2 months at this job, Sgt Jacques was transferred to the 2103th Air Weather Group. This new assignment will station Sgt Jacques within 8 miles of home.

On October the 1st Sgt Jacques was promoted to Staff Sergeant.

Sergeant Jacques left the Squadron the 6th of October by boat for his new assignment.

When asked what his plans for the future were Jacques replied, "I will try to go to Forecaster's School and then make the Air Force my career."

We who know him are sure Sgt Jacques will do these things. We would like to wish him a Bon Voyage and the very best in his new assignment. Good Luck Jacques.

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Definition of a Meteorologist: A man who can look into a girl's eyes and tell weather.

Mother: "I told you if an Airman asked you for a kiss to say no".

Daughter: "But, Mother, they don't ask".