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(SECOND AIR FORCE)

(STRATEGIC AIR COMMAND)

Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

for

APRIL 1952

DEWITT SMITH, JR.
2nd Lt., USAF
Historical Officer

THAYER S. OLDS
Colonel, USAF
Commanding

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CHRONOLOGY

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1 April 1952 - Division Staff Meeting of the Division Commander, Wing Commander and staff, Base Commander and key Base staff officers was held in the Air Base Group Conference Room. 1/

4 April 1952 - Division Commander announced, through the Fighters In-Formation, base newspaper, that the Air Force's first Pentathlon would be held on Turner Air Force in June 1952. 2/

10 April 1952 - Division Management Board appointed. 3/

15 April 1952 - Division Commander left (3 days TDY) for Second Air Force Headquarters, Barksdale AFB, La., for the purpose of attending Division Commanders' conference. 4/

25 April 1952 - Fighters In-Formation, base newspaper, announced that the Division Commander was appointed chairman of the Armed Forces Day steering committee for this locale. 5/

1/ Minutes of Division Staff Meeting, 1 April 1952. (See Exhibit No. 1)

2/ Fighters In-Formation, base newspaper, 4 April 1952. (See Exhibit No. 2)

3/ Division SO 96 Par 26 dtd 23 April 1952. (See Exhibit No. 3)

4/ Division SO 89 Par 15 dtd 15 April 1952. (See Exhibit No. 4)

5/ Fighters In-Formation, base newspaper, 25 April 1952. (See Exhibit No. 5)

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ORGANIZATION AND ADMINISTRATION

I - ORGANIZATION AND ADMINISTRATION

No changes were effected in the organizational structure of the 40th Air Division Headquarters during the month of April.

Management boards to determine and recommend management policies and procedures for Turner Air Force Base were appointed this month.

Three boards, a 40th Air Division board, an Air Base Group airman board and a 31st Fighter-Escort Wing board were formed. The purpose of these boards will be to formulate and discuss better management practices, discuss management problems and insure the proper utilization of all manpower, both military and civilian. 6/

On or about the 15th of April the Division Commander left for Second Air Force Headquarters, Barksdale Air Force Base, Louisiana for the purpose of attending a Division Commanders' conference. 7/

Notes taken at the conference by the Division Commander were compiled and disseminated to the 31st Fighter-Escort Wing and the 31st Air Base Group for appropriate action. 8/

A letter dated 21 March 1952 from Brig. Gen. Fay R. Upthegrove, deputy commander, Second Air Force, to the Division Commander stated that Second Air Force Headquarters had received word from higher headquarters that by 1 May 1952 a Wing Inspector and section would no

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6/ Division SO No. 96, par 26, dtd 23 April 52. (See Exhibit No. 3)

7/ Division SO 89, par 15, dtd 15 April 52. (See Exhibit No. 4)

8/ Disposition Sheet dtd 17 April 52, subj: Division Commanders' Conference, Second Air Force, 16 April 52. (See Exhibit No. 6)

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longer be needed on Turner Air Force Base.

"...It evolves upon the division, wing and base commanders and their staffs, then, to assume the additional burden of more detailed inspection and to become, in effect, inspectors themselves." 9/

9/ Personal letter dated 21 Mar 52, to Div Commander from Brig. Gen. Upthegrove, 2nd AF Deputy CG. (See Exhibit No. 7)

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SPECIAL PROJECTS

II - SPECIAL PROJECTS

Pentathlon

The Fighters In-Formation, base newspaper, announced 4 April 1952 that the Air Force's first Pentathlon would be held on Turner Air Force Base in June 1952. The event is designed to test survival capabilities of Wing Combat Crews. The idea for Air Force use was conceived by the Division Commander. 10/

Red Cross

On or about 15 April 1952, the Division Commander presented a check for $4,012.50 to Mr. Thomas R. Adams, field director for the Red Cross at Turner AFB. The sum represented the base's contribution to the 1952 Red Cross fund and membership appeal. Mr. Adams commented that "it is possible that Turner's record-breaking contribution is the best per capita donation of any other military installation in the country. 11/

Armed Forces Day

The Fighters In-Formation, base newspaper, announced on 25 April 1952 that the Division Commander was appointed chairman of the Armed Forces Day steering committee for this locale. 12/

10/ Newspaper Clipping. (See Exhibit No. 2)

11/ Newspaper Clipping. (See Exhibits No. 8 and 9.)

12/ Newspaper Clipping. (See Exhibit No. 5)

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IV - ROSTER OF KEY PERSONNEL

Colonel Thayer S. Olds	Commanding Officer
A 1/C Joseph M. Mutter	Secretary-Sergeant Major

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HEADQUARTERS 40TH AIR DIVISION
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

MINUTES OF DIVISION STAFF MEETING HELD ON 1 APRIL 1952
HEADQUARTERS, 31ST AIR BASE GROUP CONFERENCE ROOM

Office	Topics	Suspense
	On 1 April 1952 at 1600 hours, weekly Division Staff Meeting of the Division Commander, Wing Commander and key staff officers, and Base Commander and key staff officers, was held in the Air Base Group conference room.	
A-1 Maj. Boston	Absent.	
S-1 Maj. Milnor	We are getting in quite a bit of information material pertaining to Soldier Voting. We have written up a regulation on this but it is still out for coordination. In the meantime, it would help a lot if each squadron would go ahead and appoint a Soldier Voting Officer and then he could obtain this information from the Personal Affairs Section.	Immediate
Col. Olds:	Get that out as a directive. It is necessary that each squadron appoint a Soldier Voting Officer.	
A-3 Col. Montgomery	Absent.	
S-3 Maj. Hall	No comment.	
A-4 Lt.Col. Kanig	Absent.	
S-4 Col. West	No comment.	
AIO Maj. Moore	No comment.	
Manpower Lt.Col. Borella	No comment.	
Comptroller Maj. Kelley	o comment.	
PIO Lt. Smith	No comment.	

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MINUTES OF DIVISION STAFF MEETING HELD 1 APRIL 1952

Office	Topics	Suspense
Chaplain Maj. McArthur	No comment.	
Base Acct Off Maj. Campbell	No comment.	
Legal Lt. Word	No comment.	
APM Lt.Col. Wright	No comment.	
Base Insp. Maj. Mintz	No comment.	
Surgeon Lt.Col. Van Sickle	Report received today that all personnel reporting to FEAF will receive a smallpox vaccination within four (4) months of departure.	
Base Adj. Capt. Ray	No comment.	
Base CO Col. Jones	We have some information on Armed Forces Day, which is 17 May. We have appointed Major Howard as Project Officer and we will get together with you and Col. Schilling on this. The Navy is in charge of it this year.	Continuing
Col. Olds:	What are we supposed to do on this?	
Lt. Smith:	We have received nothing official from the Navy. We received a bulletin from SAC yesterday. The things they say we can't do is going to curtail our program considerably. There will be no fly-over by larger type aircraft. We are supposed to have a parade - open house is not mandatory but we have always had one in the past and the people in Albany look forward to it. We are supposed to furnish speakers and plenty of newspaper and radio publicity.	
Col. Olds:	I suppose it is customary to have open house. I had just as soon not have open house but maybe we ought to.	
Wing Adj. Capt. Chastain	Absent.	

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MINUTES OF DIVISION STAFF MEETING HELD ON 1 APRIL 1952

Office	Topics	Suspense
31st Wg CO Col. Dunham	No comment.	
Div. CO Col. Olds	Read TWX from Second Air Force re interior painting. I am pretty sure this means that we are not going to get any issue paint to paint the interior of our buildings. I don't know how we could get any paint unless we buy it and I don't know where the money would come from. I would appreciate any ideas from any of you on how we could get the interior of our buildings painted.	Continuing
	Accident Prevention is to be discussed at the next Commanders Meeting at Second Air Force. We might possibly save some damage to a few of our aircraft when the forecast is hail conditions if we utilized the hangar down in the old 108th area. Is it being used now?	
Col. Jones:	Base Flight uses it from time to time. We put our T-6s in there.	
Col. Olds:	When does the new schedule of call come out?	
Col. Jones:	On the 11th.	
Col. Olds:	I think we had better use the word "work" call.	
	ou mentioned a regulation in draft form that would set up limit on traveling on 3 day passes. Whatever happened to that?	
Maj. Milnor:	I have it right now. There are two amendments - the first of which we are trying to locate. You will have it by Monday morning. It will take a little longer if you want to see it after it has been coordinated.	
Col. Olds:	Let me see if after it has been coordinated.	

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MINUTES OF DIVISION STAFF MEETING HELD ON 1 APRIL 1952

Office	Topics	Suspense
Col. Olds:	When Gen. Atkinson was here he remarked that our Supply Effectiveness rate had been reduced from 68.4 to 65%. I suppose it was for last month.	
Col. West:	We are still trying to determine how they rated that.	

Meeting adjourned at 1610 hours.

CALVIN C. RAY
Captain, USAF
Asst Recorder

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"FIGHTERS IN-FORMATION," 4 APRIL 1952

All Combat Pilots in Wing Will Take Part in Events; Prizes for Top Men, Outfits

A "Wing Combat Crew Pentathlon" will be held at Turner Air Force Base in June, Col. Thayer S. Olds, 40th Air Division Commander, announced this week. This modern-day pentathlon including shooting, swimming, running, Judo and rope climbing will include all combat pilots in the 31st Wing.

An original idea as far as the Air Force is concerned, the event will be scored on an individual and squadron basis with a committee or ranking officer at Turner being established to guide the contest.

Actually, the program will be a test on the "survival capabilities" of the pilots as well as recreation and keen competition between individuals and squadrons.

Definite date for the first event of its kind in the Air Force has not been established, but the committee, composed of Col. Olds, Col. Ernest B. Jones, base commander, Col. David G. Schilling, wing commander and Capt. L. M. Obler, physical conditioning officer, will announce complete plans at a later date.

Captain Obler will be project officer for the event and will be assisted by airmen assigned to his section.

Prizes, including a shotgun and target pistol, will be given the winning individuals as well as the top squadron.

This program is considered a "service test" and, if successful, would be forwarded to Second Air Force and likely to the Strategic Air Command for consideration.

Pilots in the wing have already begun to utilize their four-hours of physical training weekly in preparing for the pentathlon. They will have two months in which to prepare and considerable friendly rivalry has already developed among the squadrons as well as individuals.

The program will aid greatly in conditioning of all the pilots in stressing "learn to live" tactics in conjunction with the survival training they have and will, receive.

A trophy will be presented to the winning squadron, the one with the most of it's members most successful in the five events.

Further details will be made available later as the pentathlon is presently in the planning stage.

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HEADQUARTERS 40TH AIR DIVISION
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

SPECIAL ORDERS) 23 Apr 52
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24. T SGT VIRGIL L SIMMONS AF24627911 WP his home of rec: Jacksonville Fla or place no farther dis to arr thereat on 24 Apr 52 on which dt he is reld fr asgmt & dy Hq & Hq Sq 31st AB Gp (SAC) 2AF) Turner AFB Albany Ga and from EAD and is asgd Hq 14th AF Robins AFB Ga. TPA. PCS TDN 5723500 248-401 P534(1) -02-03-07 S99-999.

25. The folg named pers 4217th Armt & Elect Maint Sq Turner AFB Albany Ga will pro o/a 23 Apr 52 fr Turner AFB Albany Ga to MacDill AFB Fla CIPAP on TDY for aprx forty-five (45) days to support aerial gunnery DPWC and upon compl thereof will rtrn to Turner AFB Albany Ga. QQ and messing fac w/b utilized when aval. Tvl by mil acft dird when aval. Tvl by coml acft, coml rail and/ or bus authd IAW AFR 75-38. Tvl vou w/b submitted to Fin O w/i five (5) working days upon compl of tvl. Fin O making pmt against this order will fwd cy pd vou to Bud & Fisc O this sta. Tvl is in gp status. 2ND LT OWENS IS OIC. Pers listed in this order are cleared for access to clasd mat up to and including Secret for this TDY only. Auth: AFR 35-59, 2AFR 35-8. TDN 5723400 267-9407 P458(6)-02 S09-608. SAC Funding Serial No RO-12-52.

2ND LT CHARLES W OWENS JR AO1849995
A/1C CHARLES R LEVDANSKY AF13395826
A/3C BERNARD NEWMAN AF12373340
T SGT ROBERT E MERONON AF14141844
A/1C ROY E MORGAN AF34626155

26. IAW par 5a 40th ADiv Reg 150-2 dtd 10 Apr 52 a 40th ADiv Management Bd is aptd and will consist of the folg offs and amn.

COL THAYER S OLDS 372A	Hq 40th ADiv (pres)
COL ERNEST B JONES 2005A	Hq & Hq Sq 31st AB Gp
COL DAVID C SCHILLING 4450A	Hq & HqSq 31st Ftr-Esc Wg
COL JEREMIAH A CHASE AO344792	Hq & Hq Sq 31st Ftr-Esc Wg
LT COL WILLIAM G BORELLA AO391540	Hq & Hq Sq 31st AB Gp
MAJ WILLARD J BOSTON JR AO791638	Hq & Hq Sq 31st Ftr-Esc Wg
MAJ WILLIAM H MILNOR 15861A	Hq & Hq Sq 31st AB Gp
MAJ HENRY C KELLEY AO568868	Hq & Hq Sq 31st AB Gp
MAJ WILLIAM M WALDMAN AO424587	Hq & Hq Sq 31st AB Gp
2ND LT SCHUYLER P BERRY 22893A	Hq & HqSq 31st AB Gp
MAJ LESTER W ROBINSON 15075A	Hq & Hq Sq 31st Ftr-Esc Wg
CAPT BUFORD M EAVES AO730418	Hq & Hq Sq 31st Ftr-Esc Wg
1ST LT WILLIAM J CONWAY AO1036479	Hq & HqSq 31st Ftr-Esc Wg
M SGT GLENN H MEHEW AF38020556	Hq & Hq Sq 31st Ftr-Esc Wg
T SGT ELDON M STRUM AF36816513	Hq & Hq Sq 31st AB Gp
MR GEORGE F JOHNSTON (CIV)	Civ Personnel Officer
MAJ GLENN P CHPADLE AO565032	Hq & Hq Sq 31st AB Gp

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28. SHOP 5 SO 95 this Hq cs relating to TDY pers to Hazlehurst Ga as reads "MAJ LUTHER W McARTHUR 19768A Hq & Hq Sq 31st AB Gp" is amndd to read "MAJ LUTHER W McARTHUR 19768A Hq & Hq Sq 31st AB Gp".

29. T SGT JOSEPH VICAS AF11033405 31st Sup Sq Turner AFB Albany Ga will pro o/a 27 Apr 52 fr Turner AFB Albany Ga to Anniston Ord Depot Anniston Ala on TDY for aprx four (4) days to attend sup conf DPMO and upon compl thereof will rtrn to Turner AFB Albany Ga. CQ and messing fac w/b utilized when avbl. TPA. Tvl vou w/b submitted to Fin O w/i five (5) working days upon compl of tvl. Fin O making pmt against this order will fwd cy pd vou to Bud & Fisc O this sta. Auth: AFR 35-59, 2AFR 35-8. TDN 5723400 267-9400 P458(6)-02 S09-608.

30. SHOP 18 SO 95 this Hq cs relating to PCS of T SGT THOMAS I RE HUTTON AF14044064 Hq & Hq Sq 31st AB Gp to 422d th AB Sq Sedalia AFB Mo is amndd to include "Fourteen (14) DDALV".

BY ORDER OF COLONEL SCHILLING:

OFFICIAL:

FLOYD L FORTIN
Capt, USAF
Adjutant

THOMAS M MacGLOCKLIN
2nd Lt. USAF
Asst Adj

DISTRIBUTION:
10 each pers pars 24,25,29
2 each pers pars 26,27,28,30
5 each Sq Co concerned
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HEADQUARTERS 40TH AIR DIVISION
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

SPECIAL ORDERS) 15 April 1952

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15. COL THAYER S OLDS 372A Hq 40th Air Div Turner AFB Albany Ga will pro o/a 15 Apr 52 fr Turner AFB Albany Ga to Hq Second AF Barksdale AFB La CIPAP on TDY for aprx three (3) days for the purpose of attending Div Comdrs Conf (DPUO) and upon compl thereof will retrn to Turner AFB Albany Ga. Tvl by mil acft is dird when aval, tvl by coml acft, coml rail and/or bus authd IAW AFR 75-38, CG and messing fac w/b utilized when aval. Tvl vou w/b submitted to Fin O w/i five (5) working days upon compl of tvl. Fin O making pmt against this order will fwd cy of pd vou to Bud & Fisc O this sta. COL OLDS is cleared for access to clasd material up to and including Top Secret for the period of this TDY. Auth: AFR 35-59, 2AFR 35-8. TDN 5723400 267-9400 P458(6)-02 S09-608.

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BY ORDER OF COLONEL OLDS:

OFFICIAL:

EDMOND L FORTIN
Captain, USAF
Adjutant

/s/ Thomas M MacGlothlin
/t/ THOMAS M MacGLOTHLIN
2nd Lt., USAF
Assistant Adjutant

A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

DEWITT SMITH, JR.
2nd Lt., USAF

EXHIBIT NO. 4

"FIGHTERS IN-FORMATION," 25 APRIL 1952

Committees Named For AF Day Plans

Col. Olds Named General Chairman; Will Direct Over-All Celebration

Complete committees for the Annual Armed Forces Day to be observed throughout the country May 17 have been formed in Albany and at Turner, Col. Thayer S. Olds, division commander, has announced.

The joint civilian-military committee, including the Air Force, Army, Marine and Navy representatives from Albany, chose Colonel Olds as general chairman of the steering committe. He will direct the over-all celebration in Albany and the open house scheduled for the base.

The celebration, stressing "Unity-Strength-Freedom," will include a mass parade in Albany, an open house on the base, fly-overs by the 31st Fighter-Escort Wing and other planes, window and store displays in Albany and speakers to all the civic clubs in Albany and territory.

Heading the parade committee is Col. Ernest B. Jones, base commander, along with Col. W. M. Wilder of Albany, honorary chairman and Lt. Col. D. C. Wilson, Organized Reserve Corps, co-chairman. Lt. Col. W. R. Young, director of operations and training for the Air Base Group, will act as co-ordinator for the base personnel.

Major Robert L. Howard, also base project officer for the third annual affair, will act as chairman of the display committee. Members of each squadron have been selected as display project officers and they will be responsible for providing exhibits for the windows, Major Howard stated.

Lt. Dick Smith, Public Information Officer, and Jimmy Robinson, managing editor of The Albany Herald, have been selected as co-chairmen of the publicity committee.

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COPY DISPOSITION SHEET

DIV CO Subj: Commanders' Conference, Second Air Force, 16 April 52.

TO: Commanding Officer, 31st Air Base Group; Commanding Officer, 40th Air Division; Commanding Officer, 31st Fighter-Escort Wing DATE: 17 April 52.

1. The following notes were taken at the Commanders' Conference at Second Air Force, 16 April 1952:

SECTION I, 31st Fighter-Escort Wing

a. In order to get a Wing Navigator, which we can do, we should put in a request for a T&E change according to the established format with full justification for the need for the Wing Navigator.

SECTION II, 31st Air Base Group

b. Upon receipt of boats and motors for recreation purchased centrally, request comparison of price with local prices. Same applies to any

c. Excess Property. Discussion of shipment of excess property involved the idea that instead of allowing excess property to hand around the station awaiting Depot orders for shipment, we should report this property to the Depot as ready for shipment; then if orders are not received, report to General Atkinson who will call General LeMay and tell him that he is going to ship it to the Depot immediately unless instructions to the contrary are received.

d. ROTC Encampment. Answers to the following questions are needed:

(1) What are the arrangements for damage control in quarters?

(2) What control of private automobiles?

(3) What club privileges will be given?

(4) Are full day work schedules beginning immediately upon arrival planned?

e. Watch propriety of expenditures and emergency purchases. Do not go overboard in quantities. Desk sets, pen sets, wire recorders are questionable.

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f. Let me know when we receive instructions on the 10% limitations on expenditures of funds for May and June.

g. 28 April is target date for revised estimates of Fiscal 53 operating costs.

h. 15 May is target date to start Fiscal 54 budget planning.

SECTION III, 31st Ftr-Escort Wing & 31st Air Base Gp

i. Request Summary Reports on status of Flying Evaluation Boards for fear of flying cases which have been forwarded.

j. MacDill has five (5) link trainers with intercommunication control by one operator who functions in capacity of a "control tower operator." Wire recordings are made and played back to the students to prove unnecessary chatter and incorrect language.

k. No more 36-2 (ZEBRA) cases to Offutt on TDY without command approval of Second Air Force.

l. No promotions for pilots when off flying because of fear of flying for one year. This is not a hard and fast rule. It might be forever. Each case has to be charged separately.

m. I am going to run a test alert personally. I will tell you very little about it before the alert and will not tell you when in advance, but you can expect it on a weekend or during the night hours.

n. One squadron somewhere spent $6,000.00 for beer. Use squadron funds sensibly to proportion out lasting benefits rather than a series of beer parties.

o. Double check on promotion records to insure no recommendations for promotion officer already promoted.

p. When appropriate to the circumstances of an aircraft accident, make out a special effectiveness report on the pilot at the time of the accident.

q. The following item applies principally to bombers. When construction is required, no longer call maintenance docks "docks", call them "stands." We should have, through command channels, a memorandum from Second Air Force on this matter.

/s/ Thayer S. Olds
/t/ THAYER S. OLDS
Colonel, USAF
Commanding

A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

Patsy Bonvenuto Jr.
PATSY BONVENUTO, JR.
2nd Lt., USAF

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HEADQUARTERS
SECOND AIR FORCE
Barksdale Air Force Base, La.

21 March 1952

Colonel Thayer S. Olds
40th Air Division
Turner Air Force Base
Georgia

Dear Thayer:

This headquarters has received word that by 1 May 1952, a Wing Air Inspector and Section will no longer be authorized. It is with considerable misgiving that we greet this proposal as one means of reducing our manpower requirements. If you recall, a short time ago I was exhorting you to strengthen and get more utilization from our inspectors at base level, since I felt that it was a current weakness.

Now, perforce, this valuable source of information will be entirely lacking. Higher headquarters may be able to provide somewhat more frequent coverage, but not too much. It evolves upon the division, wing, and base commanders and their staffs, then, to assume the additional burden of more detailed inspection and to become, in effect, inspectors themselves. Each subordinate echelon should also assume their respective share of the responsibility. Official investigations, falling within the scope of the Inspector General, will undoubtedly have to be conducted by a higher headquarters. This will place an added burden on them.

It is strongly recommended that definite and positive plans be made at wing and base level to cope with this problem. A failure to maintain some degree of continuity in the inspection function could result in serious deficiencies remaining undiscovered for a considerable period. This condition should be avoided.

cc: CO, Turner AFB
31 FEWg

/s/ & /t/ FAY R. UPTHEGROVE
Brigadier General, USAF
Deputy Commander

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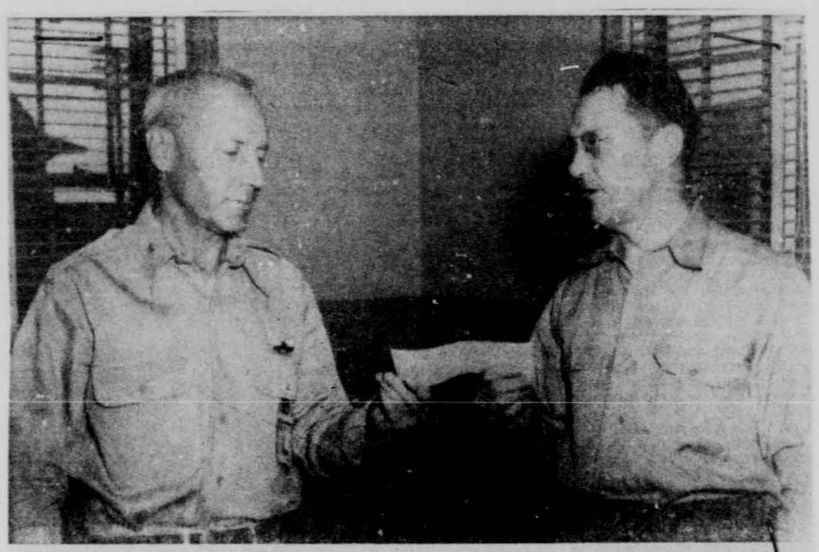

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"FIGHTERS IN-FORMATION," 18 April 1952

Personnel Lauded After Excellent Funds Drive

HEADQUARTERS 40TH AIR DIVISION
TURNER AIR FORCE BASE
ALBANY, GEORGIA

14 April, 1952

SUBJECT: Red Cross Fund Drive
TO: All Military and Civilian Personnel
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

1. I thank all of you who contributed to the recent Red Cross Fund Drive. I deeply appreciate the hard work of the Project Officers to raise funds for the American Red Cross.

2. It is a pleasure to pass the letter reproduced below to all of you.

THAYER S. OLDS
Colonel, USAF
Commanding

AMERICAN RED CROSS
ALBANY CHAPTER
ALBANY, GEORGIA

April 11, 1952

Colonel Thayer S. Olds
Commanding Officer, 40th Air Division
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia
Dear Sir:

As Chairman of the Albany Chapter, American Red Cross, I would like to express to all the personnel at Turner Air Force Base the Albany Chapter's appreciation for the magnificent response from Turner in the 1952 Red Cross Fund Drive.

This fine response from Turner certainly indicates that the personnel at Turner have an alert and sympathetic interest in the Red Cross work in this community, as well as the work the Red Cross is endeavoring to do throughout the world.

I hope that in some way you can convey to the personnel at Turner the Albany Chapter's sincere appreciation for the excellent results in the 1952 Fund Campaign.

Sincerely Yours,
RICHARD HOBBS
Chapter Chairman

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40TH AIR DIVISION

(SECOND AIR FORCE)

(STRATEGIC AIR COMMAND)

Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Ga.

for

MAY 1952

DEWITT SMITH, JR.
2nd Lt., USAF
Historical Officer

THAYER S. OLDS
Colonel, USAF
Commanding

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Base Manpower Office announced the formation of the 40th Air Division Management Board. 3/

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2/ Newspaper Clipping, "Fighters In-Formation, dtd 2 May 1952. (See Exhibit No. 2)

3/ Newspaper Clipping, "Fighters In-Formation, dtd 2 May 1952. (See Exhibit No. 3)

4/ Newspaper Clipping, "Fighters In-Formation," dtd 2 May 1952. (See Exhibit No. 4)

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demanded to accomplish the mission of the Strategic Air Command during this present period of expansion. 5/

6 May 1952 - Division Commander wrote a letter to the Second Air Force CG suggesting that the latter might want to adopt within the Second Air Force procedures set forth in 40th Air Division letter, dated 24 October 1951, Subj: "Newly Assigned Officers and Airmen," as part of the Second Air Force's program to better leadership of squadron commanders. 6/

7 May 1952 - A letter from Brigadier General Fay R. Upthegrove, Second Air Force deputy commander, stated that Second Air Force has a higher percentage of non-productive time than any other unit in the Strategic Air Command. Some of the activities causing this are set forth in the letter. 7/

5/ Personal letter dtd 2 May 52, fr Second AF CG, to Div CO. (See Exhibit No. 5)

6/ Letter fr Div CO to Second AF CG, dtd 6 May 52. (See Exhibit No. 6)

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9 May 1952 - Division Commander welcomed to the Base more than 90 Explorer Boy Scouts representing 16 South Georgia Counties. A two-day encampment was set up for the scouts. 8/

The "Half-Gallon" Club established on the Base to get more blood for the Red Cross was indorsed by the Division Commander. 9/

Base Newspaper announced that Turner Air Force Base would play a major role in the Armed Forces Day Parade in Albany, Georgia. 10/

Base Newspaper announced that Turner Air Force Base would be the scene of the first "Wing Combat Crew" Pentathlon ever to be held in the Air Force 15 May 1952. It was originally scheduled for 6 June 1952. 11/

15 May 1952 - Pentathlon begins. 12/

16 May 1952 - Pentathlon ends; winners announced. 13/

8/ Newspaper Clipping, "Fighters In-Formation," dtd 9 May 1952. (See Exhibits Nos. 8, 9 and 10.)

9/ Newspaper Clipping, "Fighters In-Formation," dtd 9 May 1952. (See Exhibit No. 11)

10/ Newspaper Clipping, "Fighters In-Formation," dtd 9 May 1952. (See Exhibit No. 12)

11/ Newspaper Clipping, "Fighters In-Formation," dtd 9 May 1952. (See Exhibit No. 13)

12/ Newspaper Clipping, "Fighters In-Formation," dtd 15 May 1952. (See Exhibit No. 14)

13/ Newspaper Clipping, "Fighters In-Formation," dtd 16 May 1952. (See Exhibit No. 15)

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17 May 1952 - Armed Forces Day. Turner Air Force Base plays a major role. 14/

19 May 1952 - Division Commander, in a letter to Second Air Force deputy commander, stated that management studies have been extended on the Base concerning productive and non-productive time. 15/

23 May 1952 - Division Commander informed the Second Air Force CG of the completion and success of the Pentathlon. 16/

29 May 1952 - The Adjutant General, Second Air Force, informed Division CO that Air Division, and Wing reports on the management improvement program have been evaluated. 17/

30 May 1952 - Division CO made a pledge to "Operation Safe Wheels." 18/

14/ Newspaper Clipping, "Fighters In-Formation," dtd 23 May 1952. (See Exhibit No. 16, 17 and 18.)

15/ Letter fr Division CO to Second Air Force deputy CG, dtd 19 May 1952. (See Exhibit No. 19)

16/ Letter fr Division CO to Second Air Force CG, dtd 23 May 1952. (See Exhibit No. 20).

17/ Letter fr Second Air Force Adjutant General to Division CO, dtd 29 May 1952, Subj: Management Improvement Program. (See Exhibit No. 21)

18/ Newspaper Clipping, "Fighters In-Formation," dtd 30 May 1952. (See Exhibit No. 22)

ORGANIZATION AND ADMINISTRATION

I - ORGANIZATION AND ADMINISTRATION

The 3944th Radar Bomb Scoring Squadron was organized on 5 May 1952 at Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia. 19/ The squadron was assigned to the 3903d Radar Bomb Scoring Group (with headquarters at Carswell Air Force Base, Fort Worth, Texas) and attached to the 40th Air Division.

The 3944th was organized primarily for the purpose of maintaining full operational control of Radar Bomb Scoring (RBS) Detachments located in the western part of the United States. The mission of the detachments is to score (by radar) simulated bombing runs on industrial and military targets by air force and navy bombing crews.

Colonel Joe R. Williams was assigned to the 40th Air Division this month and appointed Base Commander to the AFROTC Summer Encampment. 20/

A study of reports submitted in accordance with SAC Regulation 150-5 showed that Second Air Force units had a higher percentage of non-productive time than other SAC units. 21/ The Division Commander was asked by the Commanding General, Second Air Force, to make a thorough investigation of all factors pertaining to causes of non-productive time. A management board was set up last month in the

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19/ General Orders No. 24, Hq SAC, dtd 8 May 1952. (See Exhibit No. 23)

20/ Personnel Action Memorandum No. 78, Hq 31st Air Base Gp, dtd 23 May 1952. (See Exhibit No. 24)

21/ Letter fr Second Air Force Deputy CG to Division CO, dtd 7 May 1952. (See Exhibit No. 7)

40th Air Division and it is anticipated that its members will soon devise methods to increase production on the Base. 22/

The ultimate goal is a 44-hour normal work week of productive time.

Suggestions aimed at increasing productive time were set down by Brigadier General Fay R. Upthegrove, Second Air Force Deputy Commander. 23/

22/ Letter from Division CO to Second Air Force CG, dtd 19 May 1952. (See Exhibit No. 19)

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OPERATIONS AND TRAINING

II - OPERATIONS AND TRAINING

On 2 May 1952 the Division Commander received a letter from the Commanding General, Second Air Force, which stated that the utmost in integrity, self-discipline, and leadership from commanders at all echelons must be demanded to accomplish the mission of the Strategic Air Command during the present period of expansion, conversion and world tension. ".....I want each squadron commander to personally interview all officers and airmen newly assigned to his squadron..... I want each squadron commander to conduct meetings twice monthly....." 24/

In reply to the above letter, the Division Commander suggested that the Second Air Force commanding general might possibly wish to adopt within the Second Air Force procedures set forth in 40th Air Division letter, dated 24 October 1951, Subject: Newly Assigned Officers and Airmen," as part of the Second Air Force's program to better leadership of squadron commanders. 25/

24/ Personal letter fr CG, Second Air Force to Division CO, dtd 2 May 1952. (See Exhibit No. 5)

25/ Letter from Division CO to CG, Second Air Force, dtd 6 May 1952. (See Exhibit No. 6)

SPECIAL PROJECTS

III - SPECIAL PROJECTS

Armed Forces Day (17 May)

Plans begun in mid-April for Armed Forces Day celebrations on the base and Albany, Georgia started to take shape by the first of the month. The Division Commander was named chairman of the Albany Chamber of Commerce Armed Forces Day Steering Committee, and on 2 May announced that one of the largest open houses ever held on Turner Air Force Base would be held on Armed Forces Day. 26/

Six squadrons on the base set up open house displays. Displays included aircraft, fire-fighting apparatus, vehicles, engines, armored cars and other equipment.

All flyovers were cancelled due to the gasoline shortage. However, the Navy sent an F-2H Banshee aircraft for static display.

Although 1,000 troops from Turner were slated to take part in the huge Armed Forces Day parade through the streets of Albany, more than 1700 participated.

Twenty-two store windows in Albany were displayed by the squadrons from the base. The 31st Motor Vehicle Squadron set up an elaborate vehicle display on the Albany courthouse lawn.

Speakers from the base appeared at all civic clubs in Albany and surrounding towns during the week. 27/

26/ Newspaper Clipping, "Fighters In-Formation," dated 2 May 1952. (See Exhibit No. 1)

27/ Same.

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Pentathlon

The Air Force's first "Wing Combat Crew" Pentathlon, designed to test the survival capabilities of pilots of Turner's 31st Fighter-Escort Wing, concluded successfully 16 May 1952 with Lieutenant Clyde Strain, a 29-year old Thunderjet pilot from Aurora, Missouri, winning top honors in the unique athletic event. 28/

Designed to meet Air Force needs, it consisted marksmanship, judo, rope-climbing, running and swimming.

The Division Commander stated that the Pentathlon was in the nature of a service test, and planned to forward its results to Second Air Force and the Strategic Air Command for possible inclusion in the command-wide program. 29/

Red Cross

In a drive to get more blood for the Red Cross, the Division Commander indorsed the "Half-Gallon" Club formed on the base. Personnel who gave their fourth pint of blood were given a day off in addition to the day they gave blood. 30/

On 27 May 1952 the Red Cross Bloodmobile collected 326 pints from Base military and civilian personnel. This topped all previous blood donations on Turner.

28/ Newspaper Clipping, "Fighters In-Formation," dated 16 May 1952. (See Exhibit No. 15).

29/ Same.

30/ Newspaper Clipping, "Fighters In-Formation," dated 9 May 1952. (See Exhibit No. 11)

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IV - ROSTER OF KEY PERSONNEL

As of 1 May 1952

Colonel Thayer S. Olds	Commanding Officer
Airman 1/C Joseph M. Mutter	Secretary-Sergeant Major

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As of 31 May 1952

Colonel Thayer S. Olds	Commanding Officer
Colonel Joe P. Williams	AFROTC Camp Commander
Airman 1/C Joseph M. Mutter	Secretary-Sergeant Major

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"FIGHTERS IN-FORMATION," 2 May 1952

AF DAY PLANS TAKING SHAPE

Things were taking shape rapidly for the Third Annual Armed Forces day, scheduled throughout the nation for May 17th, at Turner Air Force Base Thursday.

Colonel Thayer S. Olds, division commander and chairman of the joint AF Day committee, announced that one of the largest open houses ever held at Turner would be held on May 17 from 1300 to 1530 hours.

Major Robert Howard, base project officer, stated that every squadron on the base would assist in the open house display, with airplanes, maintenance equipment, fire fighting apparatus, vehicles, engines, armored cars and other equipment used by the base.

Requests have also been sent out to have Turner included on the many flyovers scheduled for Armed Forces Day by B-47's, B-36's and other large and modern aircraft.

APPROXIMATELY 1,100 troops from Turner will participate in the parade scheduled for Albany at 1000 hours on the 17th. Each squadron will fall in at their areas and march to the ramp as though they were to take part in a division review. They will then be loaded on buses and transported to Albany for the big parade, Lt. Col. William R. Young, parade co-ordinator, has said.

In addition, speakers from the base are scheduled to appear at all civic clubs in Albany and surrounding towns during the week.

Window displays in downtown stores will be prepared by the various sections on the base and will be seen by hundreds of citizens from 10 May through the 19th.

AN EXHIBIT of equipment will be placed on the courthouse lawn by the Motor Vehicle Squadron with Capt. W. B. Favor as project officer.

All personnel of the base will be urged to attend the open house with their families and guests.

Also taking part in the huge parade will be the Marines, Army, ORC, VFW, American Legion and several other auxiliaries.

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FIGHTERS IN-FORMATION, 2 May 1952

DOLLAR SAVING IDEAS ARE SOUGHT IN DRIVE

The war against waste at Turner during the past six months has produced many money-saving ideas, but like all wars, a continuous and unrelenting drive must be waged to reach complete victory.

That was the thought expressed by Col. Thayer S. Olds, 40th Air Division Commander, as he called this week for a maximum economy effort on the base. The colonel has placed the responsibility for this campaign on Major Henry C. Kelley, Base Comptroller.

THE MAJOR'S OPENING shot in the stepped-up economy drive was the issuance of a statement in which he urged all personnel to forward to him all ideas or actions which may be utilized to save personnel, space, time and money at Turner. Major Kelley declared that all such ideas will be thoroughly screened for possible use at other Air Force bases and will be properly credited to the initiating agency.

His statement read in part:

"We at Turner Air Force Base should be deeply concerned with the manner in which dollars are being used in the day-to-day support of our mission. Every officer, airman, and civilian should be aware of his grave responsibility to our country and make every effort to avoid waste of any kind.

"What can we do to discharge this responsibility? Everyone wants to do their part but Turner is a large base with so many operations that any one person might tend to throw up his hands in despair and let it go at that.

"It is obvious then that teamwork is the answer. Our problems can best be solved when everyone—regardless of rank—thinks of Turner as a business enterprise—or better yet, as his own personal business enterprise.

"EVERYONE KNOWS that a business cannot exist long with profits, substantial profits based in terms of dollars. Though lacking the spur of the profit motive, we believe that the conduct of military

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FIGHTERS IN-FORMATION, 2 May 1952

Add 2 More Management Boards Here

Two more management boards to review and recommend management policies for Turner were named last week, according to Lt. Col. William G. Borella, base manpower officer.

A TOTAL OF THREE boards have been named to formulate and discuss all management problems and policies on the base. They will consist of a 40th Air Division board, 31st Fighter-Escort Wing airman board and an Air Base Group airman board.

Named to the 40th AD board were: Col. Thayer S. Olds, 40th Air Division CO, Col. Ernest B. Jones, 31st Air Base Group CO, Col. David C. Schilling, 31st Fighter-Escort Wing CO, Col. Jeremiah Chase, Lt. Col. William G. Borella, Major Willard Boston, Jr., Major William Milnor, Major Henry Kelley, Major William Waldman, Major Glenn Cheadle, Captain Buford Eaves, Lt. Schuyler Berry, Lt. William Conway, Major Lester Robinson, M-Sgt. Glenn Mehew, T-Sgt. Eldon Serum and Mr. George F. Johnston, civilian personnel director. Colonel Olds is president of the board.

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FIGHTERS IN-FORMATION, 2 May 1952

PENTATHLON TENTATIVELY PLANNED FOR JUNE 6 BEGINNING FOR PILOTS

The first "Wing Combat Crew Pentathlon" ever to be held in the Air Force has been tentatively scheduled at Turner for June 6 as a test of the "survival capabilities" of the pilots of the 31st Fighter-Escort Wing.

THE UNIQUE athletic event will include shooting, swimming, running, Judo, and rope climbing, and more than 75 combat pilots at Turner are expected to participate.

All but the final details have been worked out for the one-day affair, Capt. L. M. Obler, base physical conditioning officer, declared. The committee planning the event includes Col. Thayer S. Olds, 40th Air Division commander; Col. David C. Schilling, commander of the 31st Wing; Col. Ernest B. Jones, base commander, and Capt. Obler, project officer.

Capt. Obler stated that present plans call for the "Pentathlon" to open at the firing range with the pilots firing both rifles and pistols for scores. The pilots will then be subjected to a lengthy, intense-obstacle course designed to test their speed and proficiency in running, Judo, rope climbing and swimming.

The captain explained that the pilots will be "attacked" along this route by one of the various trained Judo experts on the physical conditioning staff. One or more of the three Turner swimming pools will be utilized during the obstacle run as a test of the pilots' aquatic ability, and the officers who are not proficient swimmers will row a survival life raft.

The Turner swimming pools are scheduled to open May 1, and Capt. Obler remarked that the pilots will have a litle more than a month in which to sharpen their swimming capabilities. He added that as a result of weekly physical training the 31st Wing pilots are expected to be in "top shape" for the strenuous "Pentathlon."

The coming event at Turner is in the nature of a "service test" and, if successful will be forwarded to Second Air Force and Strategic Air Command headquarters for possible adoption at other bases.

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HEADQUARTERS
SECOND AIR FORCE
Barksdale Air Force Base, La.

2 May 1952

Colonel Thayer S. Olds
Commanding Officer
40th Air Division
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

Dear Thayer:

To accomplish the mission of the Strategic Air Command during the present period of expansion, conversion, and world tension, the utmost in integrity, self-discipline, and leadership from commanders at all echelons is demanded. We have required rigid training in order to reach and maintain a satisfactory state of readiness. All this involves long hours on the part of all concerned and, no doubt, personal hardship in many cases.

We have met this challenge adequately in most instances. However, there is one area in which I believe a great deal of improvement can be made. Specifically, I am referring to the leadership of our squadron commanders. A good leader knows his men, their problems, and will stand back of them when the chips are down. At the same time, a good leader must let his men know what is expected of them, what the mission is, where they fit into the overall picture, for whom they work and, in addition, that failure to meet required standard of conduct and self-discipline will result in swift, impersonal, and just punishment.

I want each squadron commander to personally interview all officers and airmen newly assigned to his squadron. (If large numbers of personnel are involved, it can be handled on a group basis.) During this interview, the squadron commander should explain his policies on such matters as punishment, conduct both on and off duty, leaves, passes, commendations, and standards of self-discipline.

Additionally, I want each squadron commander to conduct squadron meetings twice monthly. In no case should more than thirty days elapse between assemblies. At each of these meetings some time should be devoted to informing the members of the unit concerning policy and mission changes, current operations, important national and international developments, and any other subjects about which the men would normally look to their leader for information and guidance. The meetings need not last any specified period of time. However, enough time should be allowed for complete discussion of the topic being presented. This will preclude

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personnel leaving the meeting with only half the answers. These meetings will be held just before or after duty hours, or on Saturday mornings.

Commanders need not personally present all topics discussed at these squadron meetings, but should open the discussion or otherwise identify themselves with the policies expressed and make themselves available to answer questions.

Strategic Air Command will accept this program as outlined as satisfying the requirements of the "Information hour" or "Required reading," and Strategic Air Command Regulation 34-7 and Second Air Force Regulation 34-2 are being amended accordingly. Implementation should commence immediately. Amended regulations will follow as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

/s/ J. H. Atkinson
/t/ J. H. ATKINSON
Major General, USAF
Commanding

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2nd Lt., USAF

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HEADQUARTERS 40TH AIR DIVISION
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

6 May 1952

Major General J. H. Atkinson
Commanding General
Second Air Force
Barksdale Air Force Base
Louisiana

Dear Hamp:

The last paragraph of your letter of 2 May 1952 concerning the leadership of our squadron commanders states that certain amended regulations will be published soon. Possibly you might want to adopt within the Second Air Force the procedure which is covered by 40th Air Division letter, subject: "Newly Assigned Officers and Airmen, 40th Air Division," dated 24 October 1951, as part of your program.

Sincerely,

1 Incl
Ltr, Hq 40 AD, DCO
200, dated 24 Oct 51

/s/ Thayer S. Olds
/t/ THAYER S. OLDS
Colonel, USAF
Commanding

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2nd Lt., USAF

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HEADQUARTERS 40TH AIR DIVISION
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

DCO 200 24 October 1951

SUBJECT: Newly Assigned Officers and Airman, 40th Air Division

TO: All Commanders, 40th Air Division

1. The following regulations cover the indoctrination of new arrivals:

a. SAC letter, DP2D 353, dated 20 March 1951, subject: "Indoctrination Training of Recalled Reservists."

b. SAC Syllabus, subject: "Indoctrination Program of Recalled Reservists."

c. Base Regulation 39-1, dated 19 October 1951.

The following data will add a more personal thought to this established indoctrination procedure.

2. Officers and airmen reporting for duty to organizations of the 40th Air Division should be made welcome. Procedures established by regulations for greeting and indoctrinating new personnel often miss the personal touch so important in making a person feel that he is wanted and welcome. I have outlined below several points which commanders should use as a check list in greeting newly assigned personnel. If any of the procedures included in this outline are in conflict with procedures or customs within your command, I prefer that you follow your own methods.

3. Squadron Commanders should have a personal interview with newly assigned officers and airmen. This interview should be conducted on an informal basis in your office. A squadron officer or noncommissioned officer should be appointed to act as a special host to the new arrival with dependents during the first few days of his duty in the 40th Air Division. This "Special host" can be a valuable guide and source of information to the new arrival concerning the locations of offices and activities on the base, rental offices in town, banks, stores, etc. A good time for the new arrival to meet his host would be following your interview in your office.

4. Unless adequately covered by established indoctrination upon arrival, the following points should be covered during your office interviews:

Hq 40AD, DCO 200, Subject: Newly Assigned Officers and Airmen, 40th Air Division.

a. SAC, Second Air Force, and 40th Air Division mission and policies. Mission of Wing or Air Base Group to which assigned.

b. SAC security program.

c. Punctuality for all duties.

d. Proper dress during duty and off-duty hours; proper dress at the clubs and theater.

e. Financial responsibility of military personnel. (See 40th Air Division decimal letter on financial responsibility of military personnel.)

f. AWOL's.

g. Location of off-limit areas and establishments.

h. Local and state laws relative to traffic regulations.

i. Drunken and reckless driving and driving under the influence.

j. Services available for dependents at the hospital.

k. Air Force Aid Society.

l. Red Cross availability.

m. Recreational facilities available on the base.

n. Present excellent relationship with townspeople and desire to maintain the same.

o. Assist personnel in obtaining housing by arranging conference with Base Housing Officer.

5. You probably will want to add your own ideas to this check list. If any items occur to you which you consider important, I would appreciate your letting me know. It will be easy to revise this minimum check list for the benefit of the entire command by publication of another letter.

/s&t/ THAYER S. OLDS
Colonel, USAF
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HEADQUARTERS
SECOND AIR FORCE
Barksdale Air Force Base, La.

7 May 1952

Colonel Thayer S. Olds
Commanding Officer
40th Air Division
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

Dear Thayer:

You have my letter of 6 February 1952 on PX's and Commissaries and General LeMay's memorandum dated 29 January 1952 which was attached.

A study of the reports submitted in accordance with SAC Regulation 150-5 showed that Second Air Force units had a higher percentage of non-productive time than other SAC units. These reports also indicate that in the last two months very little progress has been made by most of our units in reducing the percentage of non-productive time. General Atkinson wants you to investigate thoroughly all factors contributing to this non-productive time in an effort to reduce the percentage. I will pass on to you some thoughts on the activities causing most of the non-productive time.

If the policy of giving passes as awards for extra duty is carried out, the man hours gained by overtime should equal or exceed pass time. This has not been true in many instances. Since all personnel are authorized 30 days' leave each year, we can see little reason for giving a pass longer than 24 hours.

Time lost at the PX, Commissary and on personal business should either be accomplished outside of duty hours or made up for in overtime.

It is believed that more time can be saved in such things as sick call, dental work, shots, and other special details. These facilities are supposed to be available during non-duty hours; yet we continue to lose considerable time in accomplishing them.

Our Second Air Force Regulation 11-1 on pay day schedules is being rewritten. Strategic Air Command Headquarters and

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the other numbered Air Forces have been paying during non-duty hours and I am sure this is one place they have cut down their non-productive hours more than we have. Various methods such as carrying the pay roll to the personnel at their place of duty or scheduling pay call after duty hours are being used. General Atkinson would like to have your comments on how we can best accomplish payment of troops without any loss of productive time.

It is fully realized that because of the overage of personnel in some functions at most of our bases, our people cannot be fully occupied in productive work and therefore do not understnad why they must stay at their place of duty. They must be made to understand the importance of the austerity program and that this is only the first step in reducing our manpower requirements. As the Air Force expands, the personnel which are presently overage must be fully trained to man the new wings. They can not be given too much training in this interim period.

Our ultimate goal is a 44 hour normal work week of productive time. This can only be accomplished by overtime to compensate for non-productive time during normal work hours or by scheduling all non-productive time during other than normal work hours.

Please submit your comments on the effects of this program as well as your suggestions for its improvement.

/s&t/ FAY R. UPTHEGROVE
Brigadier General, USAF
Deputy Commander

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FIGHTERS IN-FORMATION, 16 May 1952 -

COL. THAYER S. OLDS, 40th Air Division Commander, welcomes more than 90 Explorer Boy Scouts Saturday morning in the Base Theatre. The Scouts, representing 16 surrounding counties, visited Turner for two days.

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FIGHTERS IN-FORMATION, 9 May 1952

200 Scouts to Arrive Today; Col. Olds to Welcome Group

The Boy Scouts invade Turner today as 200 Explorer Scouts from 16 surrounding Georgia counties arrive here to begin a three-day encampment.

The encampment, under the direction of Lt. Mark Costello, project officer, will give the Scouts a close-up look at the jet-fighter base in operation. The event is a part of the Air Force's program to help further the scouting movement in the United States.

The Scouters are expected to arrive here this afternoon between 1500 hours and 1700 hours. Upon arrival they will register, draw their bedding and be assigned to a barracks.

Tonight, the program will consist of a series of combat films to be shown to the Explorers after chow.

Tomorrow morning, the group will be officially welcomed to Turner by Col. Thayer S. Olds, 40th Air Division commander. From there, the program will broaden to include lectures and films on the mission of the Strategic Air Command and other pertinent topics, a complete tour of the base and a fire-fighting demonstration.

During their stay, the Explorer scouts will meet Harmon Trophy winner Col. David C. Schilling, commanding officer of the 31st Fighter-Escort Wing and one of the Air Force's top aces of World War II. Col. Schilling will address the group of scouters concerning inflight refueling of jet aircraft and also explain the organization of the 31st Fighter-Escort Wing.

While on the base, the Scouts will enjoy all the facilities of the installation, including the swimming pools, athletic fields, Base

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"FIGHTERS IN-FORMATION, 16 May 1952

Scouts Explore Turner at Encampment; Represented 16 South Georgia Counties

More than 90 Explorer Scouts ranging from 14 to 18 years of age and representing 16 surrounding South Georgia counties "explored" Turner Air Force Base last Friday and Saturday.

The two-day encampment, under the direction of Lt. Mark Costello, project officer, and coordinated with W. E. Nexsen, scout executive of the Chehaw Council, headquarters in Albany, was designed to give the scouts a better understanding of the base and its operations.

Col. Thayer S. Olds, 40th Air Division Commander, gave the welcoming address in the Base Theatre early Saturday morning. He read humorous excerpts from a book on exploring and talked briefly on explorations in the Okefenokee Swamps. A film on the Mission of the Strategic Air Command and Air Progress followed.

M-SGT. JAMES MOORE, noncommissioned officer in charge of Turner Air Force Base's survival school in the swamps nearby Hazlehurst, presented an interesting snake lecture. He informed the scouts on various types of poisonous and non-poisonous snakes. Dur-

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FIGHTERS IN-FORMATION, 9 May 1952

Bloodmobile Due May 27; Seek Half-Gallon Clubmen

The bloodmobile will be back Tuesday, May 27. Plan now to give blood.

Last month Turner personnel, aided by a group of Marines from the new supply depot, donated 254 pints. Turner has continually topped the set monthly goal of 240 pints.

Many Turner personnel will be eligible to give their fourth pint of blood on the 27th, according to Lt. Col. Albert Van Sickle, project officer. Those who donate their fourth pint will become members of the "Half Gallon" Club. They will receive membership cards and letters of commendation from Col. Thayer S. Olds, 40th Air Division Commander. Those who become members of the club will also get a day off in addition to the day they give blood.

This will be the seventh visit the bloodmobile has made to Turner. Since November the Red Cross agency from Atlanta has collected 1,547 pints from local military and civilian personnel.

The 31st Installations squadron is leading Turner in total donations. Last month the Installations crew gave 39 pints. In March they donated 46. They have given a total 166 pints.

The call this month is out especially loud for dependents. The highest total dependent donation thus far is four pints. A special section is set aside in the hospital ward for women dependents and civilians. There is no waiting and the entire process takes only a few minutes.

The April total was bolstered by 30 Marines, many of whom recently returned from frontline combat in Korea. They were all volunteers. They figured the situation over there so serious that they came to Turner and donated blood after fighting the Reds.

Let's see if a few more of us can't take the day off to give a pint of blood on the 27th. It takes only a few minutes in the morning, and Americans in Korea need it bad.

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(By Armed Forces Press Service)

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PENTATHLON SET NEXT THURSDAY; PLANS COMPLETED FOR 2-DAY MEET

Originally scheduled for June 6, the first "Wing Combat Crew" Pentathlon ever held in the Air Force will start on Turner next Thursday. The contest which will run through Friday is designed to test the "survival capabilities" of the 31st Fighter-Escort Wing. The accent will be on endurance, speed and skill.

Events will include shooting, swimming, ruaning, judo and rope-climbing.

THE PENTATHLON originated with the Old Greeks when their best athletes were tested in five events. It has been handed down to the present day and in the modern Olympic games the Pentathlon includes the running broad jumo, javelin throw, 200 meter race, discus throw and 1,500 meter run. But it has been designed to meet Air Force needs by Colonel Thayer S. Olds, 40th Air Division Commander and originator of the idea.

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1st PENTATHLON BEGINS, WILL CONTINUE TODAY

Winners of Each of the Various Events Will Be Announced At an Officers Call Program This Evening at Officers Club

The first Pentathlon ever held in the Air Force got underway at Turner yesterday morning with representative groups of pilots participating from the three squadrons of the 31st Fighter-Escort Wing.

The unique athletic competition, designed to test the survival capabilities of the jet pilots, will continue today (Friday) with individual winners and the top squadron announced this evening.

Yesterday's activities included the firing of the Hornet rifle and 38 caliber pistol, actual hand-to-hand attacks to test the contestants' judo ability, a 3½-mile run, and simulated life-saving tests in Pool No. 2.

The activities began promptly at 8:15 a. m. when the competing pilots were transported to the base firing range for firing of the above mentioned weapons. After firing, three-man teams were dispatched from the range at two minute intervals and instructed to reach the No. 2 pool in the best time possible.

A-1C ROGER SWEENEY and A-2C Bob Kirby were responsible for timing the runners when they left the range. Along the route, A-1C Jim Jensen, A-2C James Bresnan, A-3C Pasquale Calcagni took turns attacking the individual pilots with a blank pistol or wrestling holds.

Following the judo tests, the pilots continued on to the pool where A-2C Crawford Brown recorded their time. A-1C Jimmy Townsend served as the "drowning victim" in the pool and the competing flyers were scored for the speed and technique with which they "rescued" the volunteer.

The mornings activities were completed about noon, when the last contestant completed the life-saving test. Capt. Leonard C. Obler, Turner's physical condition officer and director of the Pentathlon project, was extremely pleased with the first day's results.

This same optimism over the

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talk for themselves.

The City - wide tennis tournament will get under way soon. If you are interested contact John Stedman at Albany number 1155.

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ave announced. Examinations Automatic target pistol donated by the Officers Wives Club Thrift Shop, and Lt. Raymond O. Barton, Jr., third with 290, was presented a .22-caliber revolver donated by the Optimists Club of Albany. Both Lts. Correll and Barton, members of the 306th Fighter-Escort Squadron, are veterans of 100 missions in Korea. Lt. Barton, an F-86 Sabrejet pilot, was credited with destroying a Red Mig and a TU-2 and damaged three other speedy Red Migs.

The 309th Fighter - Escort Squadron, commanded by Lt. Col. Charles W. Lenfest, received a trophy, also donated by Republic Aircraft, for compiling the best averages in the competition. The awards were made by Col. Thayer S. Olds, 40th Air Division Commander, and Col. David C. Schilling, commander of the 31st Wing.

In presenting the awards, Col. Olds took the occasion to person-

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ally congratulate all thirty - nine contestants. The colonel declared that the spirit and co-operation of all concerned had made the project surpass the most optimistic hopes of the planners. He also congratulated Capt. Leonard C. Obler, Turner's physical conditioning officer, who directed the project.

COL. OLDS reminded the pilots that the Pentathlon was in the nature of a service test, and the results will be forwarded to Second Air Force and the Strategic Air Command for possible inclusion in the command-wide program.

The contest got off to a good start last Thursday morning with the pilots firing the Hornet survival rifle and .38-caliber pistol at the base firing range. After firing, three-man teams were dispatched from the range at two-minute intervals with instructions to reach Pool No. 1—three-and-a-half miles away—in the quickest time possible.

Each runner was timed when he left the range. Near the half-way mark to the pool, a picked trio of airmen attacked each team of runners with a drawn .45, a lead pipe, and various strangleholds, respectively.

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Yesterday's activities got underway at 8 a. m. at Turner's skeet range, with each pilot firing at twelve birds before starting out on a timed run to Pool No. 1—a little more than a mile distant.

On their arrival they were timed during a severe 20-foot rope climb

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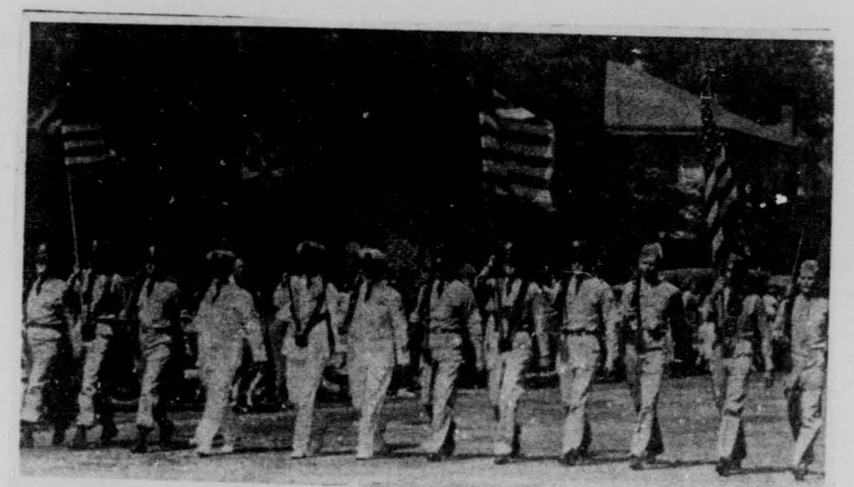

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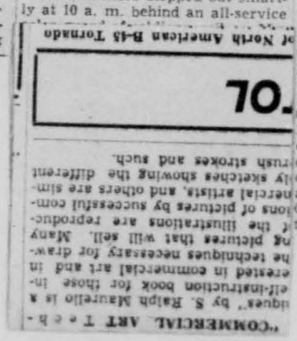

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Civilian dignitaries followed in several cars. Other units in the parade, in the order of march, included:

A PICKED detachment of rifle-bearing Marines from the Marine Depot; the Albany Junior High School band; Turner's extensive representation led by Col. John J. Easton, base commander; National Guard and Reserve units from Albany and vicinity; members of Albany's young safety patrol; large groups of Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Cubs and Brownies; a delegation and band from Albany State College; large representations from local veterans' organizations; the Albany High School band, and representatives of numerous civic and other organizations in the city.

Mrs. Jean Anderson, selected by Turner as "Queen of Armed Forces Day" rode in an open car to the delight of the spectators. "Queen" Anderson is married to M-Sgt. Delbert D. Anderson and is employed in the base finance office.

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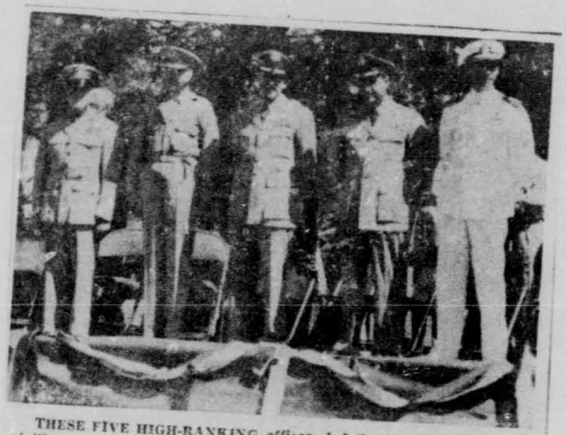

THESE FIVE HIGH-RANKING officers led the host of military and civilian dignataries who reviewed Saturday gigantic Armed Forces Day parade in Albany. Left to right are, Brig. Gen. Raymond P. Coffman, commandant of the Marine Depot; Lt. Col. William M. Wilder, Army Reserves; Col. Thayer S. Olds, 49th Air Division Commander; Col. David C. Schilling, 31st Fighter-Escort Wing commander, and Navy Commander Jack Dominy of the Marine Depot.

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EXPECTED TO attract thousands of persons from neighboring Southwest Georgia communities, the parade will be the most clamorous part of the day's observance. These same thousands are expected to flock to Turner between 1 and 3 p. m. to witness an open house display of aircraft and mechanized might.

Responsible for co-ordinating Turner's participation in the lengthy parade is Lt. Col. William R. Young, base operations and training officer. The colonel's plan of operations calls for the day's activities to begin with early squadron formations and a short march to the flight line as though to form for a Division Review.

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ALL PERSONNEL are reminded that they and their families have been issued a special invitation to attend the open house at Turner following the parade. All civilians will be cordially welcomed on the base and there will be no delay in

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HEADQUARTERS 40TH AIR DIVISION
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

19 May 1952

Brigadier General Fay R. Upthegrove
Deputy Commander
Second Air Force
Barksdale Air Force Base
Louisiana

Dear Uppie:

In your letter dated 7 May 1952 you stated that the ultimate goal for units within Second Air Force is a 44 hour normal work week of productive time, and that this can be accomplished only by overtime to compensate for non-productive time during normal work hours or by scheduling all non-productive time during other than normal work hours. In order to provide comments on the effects of such a program as well as offering suggestions which we believe will aid toward possible improvement in the elimination of non-productive time, we are extending our management studies on this base concerning productive and non-productive time. We will complete our studies as soon as possible and send them on to you.

I am attaching a copy of our briefing of our Airmen Management Boards.

Sincerely,

THAYER S. OLDS
Colonel, USAF
Commanding

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Ltr, Hq 40 AD, BASE MPO 320
dtd 14 May 52.

A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

DEWITT SMITH, JR.
2nd Lt., USAF

EXHIBIT NO. 19

HEADQUARTERS 40TH AIR DIVISION
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

DIST REG 320 14 May 1952

SUBJECT: Briefing of the Airmen Management Boards

TO: See Distribution

1. It is your duty as members of the Airmen Management Board to ascertain to the best of your ability that good management practices are being followed within areas which you are associated with. As soon as the necessary course material arrives at this base, there will be in existence a primary management course for supervisory airmen which will consist of a series of twenty (20) conferences of two (2) hours each. Each member of your management board will be required to attend this course--there will be a series of this management course offered so you will not have to all attend at the same time.

2. The Air Force is undergoing a tremendous economy drive. There is a planned expansion of the present combat capability of the Air Force by 70% while personnel will only be increased by 20%. We will all have to do our best to have good utilization of personnel to obtain such a goal. We should also do the best we can to insure that personnel who have been trained by the Air Force and who show promise of making good airmen for the service should be encouraged to make a career in the Air Force. Turnover (separation) in this category of personnel creates a terrific expense and loss to the government.

3. The fundamental reason for creating airmen management boards was for the purpose of establishing what is commonly called a system of communication up as well as communication down between personnel at the operating level (your management board) and personnel who recommend various management policies (40th Air Division Management Board). The chairman of your management board is also a voting member on the 40th Air Division Board. There will be no officers present at your board meetings except maybe for brief periods at certain meetings if your chairman would like to have aid in briefing you on certain problems.

4. The 40th Air Division Management Board is extremely interested in obtaining better management practices for this base. All suggestions which originate with you and are presented to the 40th Air Division Board by your chairman will be given full deliberation and placed into effect if approved. Your management board will have a majority concurrence on any suggestion under consideration prior to its being presented to the 40th Air Division Board.

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Subj: Briefing of the Airmen Management Board

5. We are trying to encourage all airmen on this base to participate in the management program to the extent that any suggestions that may have to better working conditions such as use of various safety devices or improved work methods to conserve manhours, personnel and supplies will be transmitted to one of you for consideration by this board. It will also be your duty to aid these airmen in putting their idea on paper if they contact you for such aid. The best method for your board to process any such suggestion appears to be for you to establish an evaluating committee consisting of four (4) members plus a president all appointed from your Board. This committee will evaluate all suggestions which have been submitted prior to these suggestions being voted on by the board. This committee will have the authority to contact any officer, airman or civilian assigned to this base for aid in the process of evaluation.

6. Remember that better management is our primary objective. We are trying to instill within each person's thinking the element of cost-consciousness. You are in an excellent position to help in analyzing various management programs as well as suggesting new ones.

7. It is recommended that each of you become acquainted with individual flow process charts. These charts will serve to make prompt improvements in the productive output per manhour in every unit where the individual flow process chart is applicable. In order to aid you in understanding this type of chart, a short training course will be offered at three of your scheduled meetings. An airman who is a member of one of the airmen management boards will be your instructor. An initial distribution of these forms will be given to you by this instructor--more forms are available within the Base Manpower office.

8. Finally, it would be well to emphasize that "The principal objective of the Air Force management improvement program is to obtain maximum effectiveness of operations through efficient use of allotted resources. This means the application of the best management practices and procedures to the utilization of our basic resources--funds, material, manpower, space, and time--at every echelon of command, in every work situation, by each commander, staff officer, supervisor, airman and civilian employee". The Air Force is more interested "in seeing waste stopped promptly than in seeing it studied endlessly".

9. Remember this slogan: "Conserve Air Force Resources promptly by taking direct action".

BY ORDER OF COLONEL OLDS:

CALVIN C. RAY
Captain, USAF
Asst. Adjutant

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HEADQUARTERS 40TH AIR DIVISION
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

23 May 1952

Major General J. H. Atkinson
Commanding General
Second Air Force
Barksdale Air Force Base, La.

Dear Hamp:

Our Wing Combat Crew Pentathlon was held Thursday and Friday mornings last week rather than early in June as I told you we had planned the event. I am inclosing a copy of our Operations Plan for the pentathlon, some pictures taken of the different events, and a copy of our base newspaper with an article reporting the completion of the pentathlon. The inclosed poster was drawn by one of our local artists who participated in the pentathlon.

The idea for our combat crew pentathlon developed out of the modern military pentathlon. This Olympic game did not quite fit our need for a scheme to test our physical conditioning and basic survival programs. We retained for our pentathlon the military events of shooting, running and swimming (all modified to suit our requirements) and substituted judo for fencing and rope-climbing for horseback riding.

One of the most revealing comments on our pentathlon was made by a fighter pilot recently returned from Korea. When I asked this pilot what he thought of our pentathlon, he replied, "I wish that I had had this while I was looking down on the Yalu River at 40 degrees below zero."

I believe that a "SAC pentathlon" of this nature would improve the physical conditioning and survival capabilities of our combat crews. It might be a good idea to establish an annual SAC wide Wing Combat Crew Pentathlon competition.

Sincerely,

/s/ &A/ THAYER S. OLDS
Colonel, USAF
Commanding

A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

DEWITT SMITH, JR.
2nd Lt., USAF

EXHIBIT NO. 20

HEADQUARTERS
SECOND AIR FORCE
BARKSDALE AIR FORCE BASE, LA.

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29 May 1952

SUBJECT: Management Improvement Program

TO: Commanding Officer
40th Air Division
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

1. Air Division and Wing reports on Management Improvement Program progress have been evaluated by this headquarters. They show that the program has been started, with varying degrees of intensity, at Second Air Force bases. Our problem now is to insure continued action and, if possible, to accelerate our present rate of progress.

2. It is recommended that Management Analysis officers be instructed to discuss fully your accomplishments in Management Improvement in unit monthly analyses required by this headquarters. In reviewing March comments on specific accomplishments, it appeared that in most cases, objectives were sufficiently discussed but only modest accomplishments were reported.

3. To further advise this headquarters of your plans and progress, it is desired that you submit a report (as of 31 May 1952) not later than 14 June to include:

a. Your personal appraisal of your command's progress to date.

b. Your Senior Management Advisory Team's evaluation of its accomplishments to date and its specific objectives planned for the period 1 June to 31 August 1952.

4. Report required by paragraph 3, above, is exempt from the requirements of a Reports Control Symbol, Paragraph 9b (14) AFR 174-1, 9 August 1951.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL ATKINSON:

s/t FRANKLIN K. REYHER
Colonel, USAF
Adjutant General

A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

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APPENDIX

SOME SEEK SAFETY

Operations Safe-Wheels Underway; Set Contest for Safety in Squadrons

"Operation Safe Wheels," SAC's 90 day campaign to lower the appalling vehicle death rate in the command, gets underway at Turner, today (Friday). It is an all-out campaign against accidents and the injuries and deaths which result from these accidents.

DURING 1951, 16 Turner personnel were injured in vehicle accidents and four were killed. This resulted in a traffic accident cost of $142,080. In addition, government vehicles were involved in 14 accidents at a cost of $1,090.

To combat this, "Operation Safe Wheels" will emphasize the great need for cautious driving and properly operating vehicles. A display, consisting of a wrecked automobile, four coffin boxes and four crosses representing Turner's four traffic deaths, and a sign saying, "Who in '52," will point to the tragic results of traffic accidents.

Banners will be placed at strategic locations about the base emphasizing "Operation Safe Wheels."

Each month, an Awards Committee at Headquarters SAC will select and announce the base with the best vehicular accident record for both government and private vehicle operation during the first, second and third month of the campaign. A rotating trophy will be awarded to the base with the lowest accident record and a Certificate of Achievement, signed by the Commanding General, will accompany the trophy.

THE INSTALLATION acquiring the best record for the entire period will maintain permanent possession of the SAC "Operation Safe Wheels" trophy at the end of the campaign. A similar, but smaller award is planned for the best government motor vehicle accident rate performance attained during the campaign.

A trophy will be awarded to the squadron on Turner featuring the best "Operation Safe Wheels" exhibit of the week. Two units will compete for the award each week. The units are scheduled to compete as follows: 30 May to 5 June, Hq. & Hq. Sq. APG vs. Hq. & Hq. Sq. Wing; 6 June to 12 June, 31st Field Maintenance vs. 31st Installations; 13 June to 19 June, 307th vs. Food Service; 20 June to 4 July, 309th vs. Medical Group; 5 July to 11 July, 4217th Organizational Maintenance vs. Motor Vehicle; 12 July to 18 July, 4217th A & E vs. 4217th

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PLEDGE TO "OPERATION SAFE WHEELS"

I certify that I shall abide by all safe driving rules and practices, and pledge my support to the prevention of death and injury to myself and others during the "Operation Safe Wheels" drive, from 30 May through 1 September 1952.

I will:

1. Accept my moral responsibility and fulfill my obligation as a representative of the USAF in the protection of life, property and rights of others.
2. Drive within the speed limit prescribed by law and with due regard to traffic, road and weather conditions.
3. Drive defensively at all times; exercising Caution-Courtesy-Control-Concentration-Common Sense.
4. Drive cooperatively—not competitively; obeying traffic signs and laws.
5. Operate a mechanically safe vehicle; checking my brakes, tires, lights, horn, and other safety features, periodically.
6. Realize the human limitations of myself and other drivers as they relate to driving after drinking; fatigue; chance taking, and other inadequacies.

s/Thayer S. Olds
t/Thayer S. Olds, Col.
Commanding Officer, 40th AD.

EXHIBIT NO. 22

SECURITY INFORMATION

GENERAL ORDERS)

HEADQUARTERS STRATEGIC AIR COMMAND
Offutt Air Force Base, Omaha, Nebraska

NUMBER 24)

8 May 1952

DESIGNATION AND ORGANIZATION OF 3944TH RADAR BOMB SCORING SQUADRON.---1. This confirms message, this headquarters, DPLCM 71137, 2 May 1952.

2. The following Table of Distribution unit is designated, assigned to the 3903d Radar Bomb Scoring Group, and organized at Turner Air Force Base, Georgia, effective 5 May 1952:

Unit	SAC T/D No
3944th Radar Bomb Scoring Squadron	3944, 30 Jun 52

3. The above unit is attached to the 40th Air Division under the provisions of SAC REG 11-3, 14 Jun 51.

4. Equipment is authorized in accordance with appropriate Table of Allowance.

BY COMMAND OF GENERAL LeMAY:

OFFICIAL:

THOMAS S. POWER
Major General, USAF
Deputy Commander

/s/ Glenn P. Nell
/t/ GLENN P. NELL
Colonel, USAF
Adjutant General

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HEADQUARTERS 31ST AIR BASE GROUP
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

PERSONNEL ACTION MEMORANDUM) 23 May 1952

NUMBER 78)

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6. COL JOE R WILLIAMS 3403A 40AD is appointed Base Commander (Primary Duty) to the ROTC Summer Encampment vice COL JOHN J EASTON 4051A.

BY ORDER OF COLONEL EASTON:

WILLIAM H MILNOR
Major USAF
Base Pers Officer

OFFICIAL:

/s/ Sylvan M Byck Jr
/t/ SYLVAN M BYCK JR
2nd Lt USAF
Base Class Officer

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HEADQUARTERS 40TH AIR DIVISION

(SECOND AIR FORCE)

(STRATEGIC AIR COMMAND)

Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Ga.

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DEWITT SMITH, JR.
2nd Lt., USAF
Historical Officer

THAYER S. OLDS
Colonel, USAF
Commanding

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CHRONOLOGY

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3 June 1952 - Division Commander departed for Second Air Force Headquarters for the purpose of attending the Division and Base Commanders' Conference. 1/

7 June 1952 - Five Distinguished Flying Crosses and three Air Medals were awarded to eight pilots of the 31st Fighter-Escort Wing at a 40th Air Division Review. 2/

10 June 1952 - Division Commander began a 17-day leave.

22 June 1952 - More than 250 AFROTC Cadets arrived on the base to begin a four-week encampment 3/.

27 June 1952 - Division Commander returned from leave.

1/ Special Orders No. 121, par 12, Hq 40th Air Div, dtd 22 May 1952. (See Exhibit No. 1)

2/ Newspaper clipping, base newspaper, dtd 6 June 1952. (See Exhibit No. 2)

3/ Newspaper clipping, base newspaper, dtd 30 June 1952. (See Exhibit No. 3)

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ORGANIZATION AND ADMINISTRATION

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I - ORGANIZATION AND ADMINISTRATION

The 3944th Radar Bomb Scoring which was organized on 5 May 1952 and attached to the 40th Air Division, was set to full strength on 1 July 1952. The commanding officer of the squadron, Major Arthur R. Brashear, arrived on the base on 10 June.

The 3944th RBS is unique in its existence as it is one of the two of this type in operation in the Air Force. It is a technically trained radar organization with the majority of all personnel assigned graduates of technical schools.

The squadron plays an important role in the National defense of the nation. With several scoring detachments under their jurisdiction, the squadron checks the accuracy of USAF and US Navy bombing crews in order to increase their proficiency.

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The 40th Air Division Headquarters still has two officers and one airmen assigned: Colonel Thayer S. Olds, Division Commander; Colonel Joe R. Williams, Commander of the AFROTC Summer Encampment, and Airman 1/C Joseph M. Mutter, Secretary-Sergeant Major.

4/ Newspaper clipping, base newspaper, dtd 7 June 1952. (See Exhibit No. 4)

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On 3 June 1952, the Division Commander left for Second Air Force Headquarters to attend the division and base commanders' conference. 5/

Notes taken by him at the conference were disseminated to the 31st Fighter-Escort Wing and the 31st Air Base Group Commanders for necessary action. 6/

The Division Commander was given a 17-day leave of absence beginning 10 June. During his temporary absence, Colonel Joe R. Williams, AFROTC Camp Commander, assumed command of the 40th Air Division on 4 June vice Lt. Colonel Clermont E. Wheeler, Headquarters and Headquarters Squadron, 31st Fighter-Escort Wing. 7/

5/ See Exhibit No. 1

6/ Disposition Sheet from Div CO to CO 31st FEW and CO AB Gp, Subj: Commanders' Conference, Second AF 4-5 June 1952. dtd 7 June 1952. (See Exhibit No. 5)

7/ General Orders No. 11, 40th Air Division, dtd 4 June 1952. (See Exhibit No. 6)

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SPECIAL PROJECTS

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II - SPECIAL PROJECTS

More than 260 AFROTC Cadets representing 12 universities arrived on the base on 22 June 1952 to begin a four-week summer encampment. Colonel Joe R. Williams, Headquarters 40th Air Division, is directing the project.

A partial list of the topics to be covered during the busy encampment includes navigation, repairs and utilities, range procedure and firing, maps and charts, parachutes, weather, dining hall, motor pool operation, warehouse observation, drill, records and classification, information and education, Air Police operations, air traffic control, and a large amount of physical training.

The schools represented at Turner's encampment are Georgetown, West Virginia, Louisville, Maryland, Lehigh, Richmond, Virginia Polytechnic Institute, Virginia Military Institute, Bowling Green, Auburn, Tuskegee, and Howard. 8/

8/ Newspaper clipping, base newspaper dtd 20 June 1952. (See Exhibit No. 3)

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AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

III - AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

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9/ Newspaper clipping, base newspaper, dtd 6 June 1952. (See Exhibit No. 2)

ROSTER OF KEY PERSONNEL

IV - ROSTER OF KEY PERSONNEL

As of 1 June 1952

Colonel Thayer S. Olds	Commanding Officer
Colonel Joe R. Williams	AFROTC Camp Commander
Airman 1/C Joseph M. Mutter	Secretary-Sergeant Major

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ROSTER OF KEY PERSONNEL

As of 30 June 1952

Colonel Thayer S. Olds	Commanding Officer
Colonel Joe R. Williams	AFROTC Camp Commander
Airman 1/C Joseph M. Mutter	Secretary-Sergeant Major

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HEADQUARTERS 40 H AIR DIVISION
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

SPECIAL ORDER( ) 22 May 1952
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12. The folg named pers orgns indicated Turner AFB Albany Ga will pro o/a 3 Jun 52 fr Turner AFB Albany Ga to Barksdale AFB La on T/Y for aprx two (2) days to attend division and base commanders conf DPUO and upon compl thereof will rtrn to Turner AFB Albany Ga. Tvl by mil acft dird when aval. Tvl by coml acft, coml rail and/or bus authd IAW AFR 75-38. GC and messing fac u/b utilized when aval. Tvl vou w/b submitted to fin O w/i five (5) working days upon compl of tvl. Fin O making pat against this order will fwd cy pd vou to Bud & Fisc O this sta. Pers listed in this order are cleared for access to class mat up to and including Top Secret for this T/Y only. Auth: AFR 35-52, 2AFR 35-8, T/X 2AFAG 586 dtd 8 May 52, T/X 2AFCS 1318 dtd 16 May 52 and T/X 2AFCS 1550 dtd 20 May 52. T/N 5723400 267-9400 P458(6)-02 S09-608.

COL THAYER S OLDS 372A	Hq 40th Air Division
COL WILLIAM DUNHAM 8097A	Hq & Hq Sq 31st Ftr-Esc Wg
COL JOHN J EASTON 4051A	Hq & Hq Sq 31st AB Gp
LT COL WILLIAM R YOUNG 8359A	4217th Oprs Sq
2ND LT DEWITT SMITH A01907539	Hq & Hq Sq 31st AB Gp

13. Tho folg named pers orgns indicated Turner AFB Albany Ga will pro o/a 23 May 52 fr Turner AFB Albany Ga to Stockbridge Ga on T/Y for aprx two (2) days to participate in softball game DPUO and upon compl thereof will rtrn to Turner AFB Albany Ga. Tvl w/b performed at no expense to the govt.

1ST LT MIKE BOGOSIAN A0184480 56	31st AP Sq
S SGT CHARLES M BUMSTEAD AF14276752	4217th Oprs Sq
S SGT ALEXANDER T MacGILLIVARY AF11202355	31st AP Sq
S SGT WILLIAM T GATHRIGHT AF24280285	Hq & Hq Sq 31st AB Gp
A/1C DAVID N INGRAM AF14337486	Hq& Hq Sq 31st AB Gp
A/1C HERMAN L CANTRELL AF44074527	31st Fld Maint Sq
A/1C HERBERT McCOY AF14281707	Hq & Hq Sq 31st AB Gp
A/2C WILLIAM S FROLICH AF15443664	31st AP Sq
A/2C CHARLES M FISH AF17321035	4217th Armt & Elect Maint Sq
A/2C BERNARD HAGG AF17303874	4217th Oprs Sq
A/2C MYRON J FLANN AF17303893	4217th Oprs Sq
A/2C LEONARD E SHANNON A[illegible]24899753	Hq & Hq Sq 31st AB Gp
A/3C ROBERT L MARSHALL AF16391588	31st AP Sq
A/3C JOHN S KILLINTIC AF15433663	31st Sup Sq
A/3C ROBERT E WILLIAMS AF13358988	31st AP Sq

14. Par 5 SO 120 this Hq cs relating to reasgmt of A/3C FRANCIS J POWERS JR AF42155815 fr Hq & Hq Sq 31st Ftr-Esc Wg to Hq & Hq Sq 31st AB Gp is revoked.

15. SMDP 5 SO 117 this Hq cs relating to reasgmt of A/3C FRANCIS J POWERS JR AF42155815 fr Hq & Hq Sq 31st Ftr-Es c Wg to 31st Sup Sq as reads "(Reg AF)" is amnd to read "(ANG)"

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16. SWOP 11 SO 190 Hq 40th ADiv Turner AFB Albany Ga dtd 5 Nov 51 relating to PCS of amn to 4308th Oprs Sq Hunter AFB Ga with TDY to Hq Sq 308th Bomb Wg Forbes AFB Kansas is amndd to include "Tvl of depns authd".

17. A/1C (60330) ANDREW J ZIENKA AF43042587 (DAFSC 60330)(M)(PF)(M)(RegAF) (FSC 35)(DROS 28 Aug 48)(Qual for os)(IQB 1924) having reenld in USAF unasgd at Turner AFB Albany Ga on 22 May 52 for a pd of three (3) years RIC AFR 39-9 in gr of A/1C Perm RegAF DOR 29 Sep 49 is asgd WP 31st Mtr Veh Sq (SAC)(2AF) Turner AFB Albany Ga reptg CO NLT 22 May 52 for dy.

18. S SGT (25270F) LOUIS J SILLAY AF14284511 (DAFSC 25270F)(M)(M)(RegAF) having been asgd Hq & Hq Sq 31st Ftr-Esc Wg this sta per par 2 LO 5-37 1705th ATG McChord AFB Washington is reld fr such asgmt and is asgd Hq & Hq Sq 31st AB Gp this sta reptg CO NLT 7 Jun 52 for dy. PCA EDCSA 22 May 52. No tvl involved.

19. S SGT (73150) MILFORD A SMITH AF14085933 (DAFSC 73150)(M)(AFRes)(M) is reld fr asgmt & dy 4217th Oprs Sq this sta is asgd WP Hq & Hq Sq 31st AB Gp and will RUAT CO NLT 24 May 52 for dy. PCA EDCSA 24 May 52. No tvl involved.

20. A/1C (46250) CHARLES M DOWDON AF12288601 (DAFSC 46250)(M)(M)(RegAF) having been asgd 31st Ftr-Esc Wg this sta per par 3 SO 118 Det 2 2349th AAFG Yerba Buena Island Calif dtd 14 May 52 is further asgd WP 4217th Instl & Elect Maint Sq this sta reptg CO NLT 18 Jun 52 for dy. PCA EDCSA 16 Jun 52. No tvl involved.

21. DP CAPT FREDERICK E SIMS JR A01736441 (USAF)(MC)(Capt AFRes) is WP his home of rec: Macon Ga or place no farther dis to arr thereat on 31 May 52 on which dt he is reld fr asgmt & dy 31st Med Gp (SAC)(2AF) Turner AFB Albany Ga and fr EAD and is asgd to CG 14th AF Robins AFB Ga. All temp aptmts are term on eff dt of RAD. C/S DD Form 217AF and DD Form 214 AF WBI. Off authd MOP if eligible. Off entitled to lump sum pmt for thirty-nine (39) days unused accrued lv. Auth: Sec II AFR 36-52. TDN 5723500 240-401 P534(1) -02-03-07 S99-999.

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BY ORDER OF COLONEL OLDS:

OFFICIAL:

EDMOND L FORTIN
Capt, USAF
Adjutant

THOMAS M MacCLOTHLIN
2nd Lt, USAF
Asst Adj

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Awards Set For 8 Pilots On Saturday

DFC's Go to 5; Air Medal to 3 At Div. Review

Eight Turner pilots from the 31st Fighter-Escort Wing will receive medals for their meritorious achievements in the Korean Air War tomorrow, June 7, at the 40th Air Division Review. The awards will be made by Colonel Thayer S. Olds, 40th Air Division commander.

RECEIVING the Distinguished Flying Cross at Saturday's ceremonies are Capt. Adrian E. Drew, 307th Fighter - Escort Squadron, 1-Lt. Charles H. Allen, 308th Fighter Squadron, 1-Lt. Robert M. Allen, 309th Fighter Squadron, 1-Lt. Kenneth C. Cooley, 309th Fighter Squadron and 1-Lt. Glenn H. Herd, 307th Fighter Squadron.

Air Medal winners are Capt. Wallace C. Moore, 309th Fighter Squadron, 1-Lt. William B. Gunn, 308th Fighter Squadron and 1-Lt. William C. Correll, 308th Fighter Squadron.

All veterans of the air battles over Korea, the pilots won their awards flying F-84 Thunderjets and F-80 Shooting Stars while participating in Operation Strangle, cutting Red supply lines and giving close support to UN ground forces.

EXHIBIT 2

1952

TURNER WELCOMES 278 AFROTC CADETS FOR SUMMER TRA

WELCOME CADETS—

By train, plane, car and bus, some 268 AROTC Cadets from eleven universities are heading for Turner this week end to begin a busy four-week summer encampment here. The Cadets will spend all day Sunday on the processing line.

This edition of FIGHTERS - INFORMATION is dedicated to the Cadets and contains many articles designed to orientate the visitors on the base, the community outside our gates, and the busy program prepared for them.

TO YOU CADETS, then, a hearty and sincere welcome to Turner Air Force Base. By the time you read this, you will already have a good idea of the active schedule that lies ahead. Col. Joe R. Williams and his staff have done everything possible to make your stay pleasant and productive.

You will receive the most complete insight into the Air Force, the Strategic Air Command and Turner as time allows. A well - balanced program has been designed to show you the many functions of a jet fighter base.

Everything from aircraft inspection to physical training has been included in your schedule. Of primary interest to most is the fact that each cadet will spend a minimum of two hours aloft during the encampment.

EACH OF YOU will have the opportunity to fly as a passenger in a tactical aircraft—either a B-50 or B-29 which will be at Turner specifically for that purpose. A great number of you cadets have indicated a desire to enter pilot training upon entering the Air Force. In this respect, you will have the opportunity to talk with some of the top fighter pilots in the Air Force today.

The majority of pilots in Turner's 31st Fighter-Escort Wing are veterans of the Korean air war with 100 missions to their credits. Col. David C. Schilling, CO of the 31st, is one of the most decorated pilots in the Air Force today and one of World War II's top aces. Colonel Schilling shot down 23 German planes and destroyed 10 1-2 on the ground. He holds 39 decorations and was awarded aviation's highest award—the Harmon Trophy — for 1950.

Top officer and airman personnel at Turner will assist in giving you Cadets a good picture of the career awaiting each of you in the Air Force.

A partial list of the topics to be covered during the encampment includes:

NAVIGATION, repairs and utilities, range procedure and firing, maps and charts, weather, dining hall operation, motor pool operation, warehouse observation, orderly room procedures, drill, records and classification, Air Police operations, air traffic ontrol, aircraft instruments, and goodly amount of physical conditioning.

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Turner, by the way, boasts one of the finest physical conditioning units in the Air Force. The Air Force's first Pentathlon—a series of athletic contests designed to test the survival capabilities of Wing pilots—was recently held on the base.

Other subjects to be covered during your stay are: fuel service observation, the medical group set-up, motor vehicle maintenance, SAC supply procedures, aircraft communications, parachutes, flight planning, principles of war, officer orientation, atomic warfare, chemical warfare, and ground safety. There are many more.

You Cadets will be one of numerous Cadet groups who will hold encampments at Air Force bases this Summer. SAC alone is handling 2,400 Cadets.

The schools represented at Turner's encampment are Georgetown, Louisville, Maryland, Lehigh, Richmond, VPI, VMI, West Virginia, Bowling Green, Auburn, Tuskegee and Howard.

Full Strength For RBS Is Set for July

Unique Outfit Is One of Two in AF; Has Important Role

Advanced units of the 3944th Radar Bomb Scoring Squadron, recently activated at Turner, have arrived here under the command of acting CO Captain Maurice L. Dekle. Presently at approximately one fourth strength, the squadron expects to be in full operation by July 1.

COMMANDING OFFICER of the squadron, Major Arthur R. Brashear of Long Beach, Calif., is expected to arrive by June 10.

Newest squadron on Turner, the 3944th RBS will occupy the area across from Fire Station number 1 on Avenue A. First sergeant for the outfit is M-Sgt. Cecil D. Nobles.

Attached to Turner, the 3944th RBS Squadron is under the command of the 3903d Radar Bomb Scoring Group at Carswell AFB, Fort Worth, Texas. Commanding officer for the Group is Colonel Edward W. Scott, Jr.

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EXHIBIT 4

D I S P O S I T I O N S H E E T

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FROM: DIV CO SUBJ: Commanders' Conference, Second AF, 4 - 5 June 52.

TO	FROM	DATE
Commanding Officer 31st Fighter-Escort Wing	Commanding Officer 40th Air Division	7 June 1952
Commanding Officer 31st Air Base Group		

1. My notes taken at the recent Commanders' Conference at Headquarters Second Air Force follow:

a. Section 4 of Monthly Analysis are to report management improvement program from now on.

b. The SAC T-12, Flying Training Report, must leave the base by air not later than the 7th day of each month.

c. Turner Air Force Base budget estimate for Fiscal 54 to be at Second Air Force Headquarters 0800 hours, 10 June 1952.

d. Send maintenance personnel of the 31st Fighter Escort Wing to the 376th Wing at Barksdale to look at the Dock Planned Inspection System with a view to adopting suitable ideas to our aircraft maintenance.

e. Pay stoppages are to be made against personnel responsible for loss of funds through gross negligence.

f. Reports of matters important enough to be formally investigated are to be signed by Commanders.

g. Reference General Atkinson's remarks on his planning for another "exercise" to arm all personnel. Consider the following points:

(1) The need for a firearms safety contest. (I ran a very effective one at MacDill several months ago.)

(2) Have we got the weapons on hand? If not, get them.

(3) I want a base wide report of our percentage of completion of weapons familiarization and weapons qualification as of 1 June 1952.

h. Inspect contract painting, repairs, construction, etc. Test paint samples.

EXHIBIT 5

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i. This one has been covered before and this is a reminder: Only the highest standard of entertainment in the best taste will be permitted at Turner Air Force Base or off the base in connection with organizational parties, club activities, etc.

j. Now is the time to revamp our NCO Club organization to limit membership to the first three graders. 1 July should be the target date to make this change. I expect all of our non-commissioned officers to be members of the Non-commissioned Officers Club. Any non-commissioned officer who has good reasons for not joining the NCO Club and does not want to join the NCO Club, can write me a letter giving me the reasons and present the letter to me.

k. A survey is needed to determine if any civilian position or individual is not needed. This survey should be completed by 15 July.

l. Tactical Requirements Board meeting. Wing Commander, 31st Fighter-Escort Wing, to handle this one for the present quarter.

m. Subject is obesity. I want a weekly recurrent report by name on all overweight officers. This report should include the Flight Surgeon's remarks as to the officers response to the requirement to maintain his weight within established limits.

n. Automotive equipment. Utilization, maintenance, and inspection to be lokked into.

o. 40th Air Division rating system to begin with the activation of the new Wing. If it does not make sense to utilize the entire system as developed, applicable portions will be used.

p. Disciplinary action should be taken when weapons are lost if circumstances warrant.

q. Separation of Reserves. What is the Second Air Force policy on surpluses?

r. Management improvement:

(1) Sick call at end of work.

(2) Inoculations at work.

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(3) More Saturday dental work.

(4) Study the problem of Air Police and Food Service personnel time off.

What are your recommendations concerning coffee drinking at the PX? It looks to me as if it is out of hand and should be stopped at this time.

/s/ & /t/ THAYER S. OLDS
Colonel, USAF
Commanding

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Patsy Bonvenuto Jr.
PATSY BONVENUTO, JR.
2nd Lt., USAF

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HEADQUARTERS 40TH AIR DIVISION
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

GENERAL ORDERS) 4 June 1952

NUMBER 11)

ASSUMPTION OF COMMAND

Pursuant to authority contained in paragraph 3, Air Force Regulation 24-1, the undersigned assumes command of the 40th Air Division vice LIEUTENANT COLONEL CLERMONT E WHEELER 4435A Headquarters and Headquarters Squadron 31st Fighter-Escort Wing during the temporary absence of COLONEL THAYER S OLDS 372A.

/s/ Joe R. Williams
/t/ JOE R. WILLIAMS
Colonel, USAF
Commanding

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CHRONOLOGY

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1 July 1952 - Discontinuance of Headquarters, 40th Air Division. 1/ Activation of Headquarters, 40th Air Division, and of other Units at Turner Air Force Base (Hq 40th AD), including the 508th Fighter-Escort Wing. 2/ Colonel Thayer S. Olds, Division Commander, was awarded Primary AFSC 0066D and assigned duty AFSC 0066D. 3/

7 July 1952 - Lt. Col. Charles L. Tuttle 19572A appointed 40th Air Division Surgeon during the temporary absence of Lt. Col. Albert W. VanSickle 19128A. 4/

20 July 1952 - Division Commander attended Second Air Force Commanders' Conference. 5/

25 July 1952- Colonel Joe R. Williams 3403A assigned Primary Duty of Division Director of Personnel and additional duty of Division Executive Officer. 6/

29 July 1952 -Colonel Robert P. Montgomery 4174A, who reported to the Division 25 July 52, assigned Primary Duty of Director of Operations. 7/

1/ Letter DAF, Wash, DC, file 322 (AFOMO 864g), dated 19 June 1952.
2/ SAC GO 41, dated 26 June 1952.
3/ PAM 2, Par 3, Hq 811th AB Gp, 1 July 1952, as amended by PAM 5, Par 5, Hq 811th AB Gp, 9 July 1952.
4/ Hq 40 AD GO 19 dated 7 July 1952. (See exhibit 1, appendix.)
5/ Hq 40 AD SO 171 Par 36 dated 18 July 1952. (See exhibit 2, appendix.)
6/ Hq 40 AD GO 22 dated 25 July 1952. (See exhibit 3, appendix.)
7/ Hq 40 AD GO 23 dated 29 July 1952. (See exhibit 4, appendix.)

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ORGANIZATION & ADMINISTRATION

I - ORGANIZATION AND ADMINISTRATION

Headquarters 40th Air Division was discontinued 1 July 1952 and activated on the same day, with a T/O authorization of 10 officers and seven airmen. 8/ Authorizations are as follows: Commanding General, AFSC 0002; Aide, AFSC 7024, captain; Director of Personnel, AFSC 0016, colonel; Administrative Supervisor, AFSC 70270, master sergeant; Personnel Supervisor, AFSC 73270, master sergeant. The last three mentioned are in the Personnel Section. The Operations Section includes a Director of Operations, AFSC 0036; Operations Staff Officer, AFSC 1416, Lt. Col.; Bomb-Navigator-Pilot, AFSC 1524, major; Air Operations Supervisor, AFSC 21170, master sergeant; Senior Clerk, AFSC 70250, staff sergeant. Material is authorized a Director of Material, AFSC 0046, colonel; Armament Staff Officer, AFSC 3216, Lt. Col.; Aircraft Staff Maintenance Officer, AFSC 4316, Lt. Col.; Aircraft Maintenance Supervisor, AFSC 43170, master sergeant; Organizational Supply Supervisor, AFSC 64173, master sergeant, Senior Clerk, AFSC 70250, staff sergeant. 9/

The 508th Fighter-Escort Wing was also activated 1 July 1952 under the 40th Air Division. The eight units under the new wing are Headquarters, 508th Fighter-Escort Wing, 466th, 467th and 468 th Fighter-Escort Squadrons, 508th Medical Group, 508th Armament and Electronics, 508th Field Maintenance and the 508th Periodic Maintenance. 10/

8/ SAC GO 41 dated 26 June 1952.
9/ Ibid.
10/ Ibid.

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The 31st Air Base Group was deactivated and redesignated as the 811th Air Base Group under the 40th Air Division on 1 July 1952. 11/

New nomenclature for the 811th Air Base Group squadrons are Headquarters, 811th Air Base Group, 811th Air Police Squadron, 811th Food Service Squadron, 811th Installations Squadron, 811th Motor Vehicle Squadron, 811th Operations Squadron and 811th Supply Squadron.

Colonel Joe R. Williams, who served as AFROTC Camp Commander since 7 June 1952, was named Division Director of Personnel and Executive Officer 25 July 1952. 12/

On 29 July 1952, Colonel Robert P. Montgomery, who reported to the Division from the 508th Fighter-Escort Wing 25 July 1952, was assigned the Primary Duty of Director of Operations. 13/

11/ SAC GO 41 dated 26 June 1952.
12/ Hq 40 AD GO 22 dated 25 July 1952. (See exhibit 3, appendix.)
13/ Hq 40 AD GO 23 dated 29 July 1952 (See exhibit 4, appendix.)

OPERATIONS & TRAINING

II - OPERATIONS AND TRAINING

Colonel Robert P. Montgomery P. Montgomery was named Director of Operations for the Division on 29 July 1952. 14/

The Division was told at the Second Air Force Commanders' Conference 21 July 1952 that the management improvement program is looking for concrete accomplishments at all levels rather than voluminous and time-consuming studies of the problem. Management courses instructional material is now available at Wilkins Specialized Depot, Shelby, Ohio. This information was desseminated to the Commanding Officer, 508th Fighter-Escort Wing and the Commanding Officer, 811th Air Base Group for information and guidance. Notes taken by the Division Commander at the Commanders' Conference are included in Exhibit 5, Appendix of this history. 15/

14/ Hq 40 AD GO 23 dated 29 July 1952. (See Exhibit 4, appendix.)
15/ Disposition Sheet, Commanders' Conference, Second Air Force, 21 July 1952. (See Exhibit 5, appendix.)

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SPECIAL PROJECTS

III - SPECIAL PROJECTS

Two hundred and sixty-five AFROTC Cadets completed their summer encampment at Turner AFB on 18 July 1952 with a graduation ceremony, dress parade and picnic. These final day activities marked the end of four weeks of intensive military training in a program which was described by all concerned as very successful. 16/

During the first few days of the encampment, the cadets had all the appearances of raw recruits, but as the days and weeks of rigorous training progressed, they began to look more and more soldierly.

By the end of the first week, the opening confusion had settled into a smoothly operating routine. The students had become accustomed to their strange surroundings, and the program was proceeding without much difficulty.

During the second week's training, the 31st Fighter-Escort Wing, under the 40th Air Division, was ordered to the Far East for a period of TDY and the base's normal routine was disrupted. In the words of Colonel John J. Easton, base commander, "The cadets often arrived at their classes only to discover that an instructor had not yet been made available for them." This, however, was rather opportune in one sense: The cadets were given a chance to see the base respond to a war-time emergency situation. Here they realized the value of arduous preparatory training.

Even in the midst of Turner's hurried shipment turmoil, the AFROTC program continued with few disturbances. The highlights of the program were strictly adhered to.

16/ Newspaper clipping, "Fighters In-Formation," Base publication, dated 25 July 1952. (See Exhibit 6, appendix.)

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The students were given an opportunity to fly as passengers on a tactical aircraft, the B-29. They made inspections of other type aircraft, such as the huge C-124 transport, and flew on the same ship to a fire-power demonstration at Eglin AFB, Fla.

As the camp moved into its last few days the value of the program became evident. The original straggling band of civilians had been transposed into an efficiently operating military organization.

Following graduation ceromonies on the 18th of July the cadets formed on the baseball diamond for their final dress parade. 17/

On 23 July Colonel Joe R. Williams, AFROTC Camp Commander and present Division Director of Personnel, left for SAC Headquarters, Offutt AFB, Omaha, Neb., for 3-days TDY to attend a critique conference of Summer AFROTC Encampments. 18/

Air Force Aid

Beginning 28 July 111 lifetime memberships to the Air Force Aid Society in the first five days of the 1952 Air Force Aid Society fund drive have started Turner's membership campaign off to an excellent start. 19/

17/ Newspaper clipping, "Fighters Information," dated 25 July 1952. (See exhibit 7, appendix.)
18/ Hq 40 AD SO 175, Par 3, dated 23 July 1952. (See exhibit 8, appendix.)
19/ Newspaper clipping, "Fighters In-Formation," dated 1 Aug 1952. (See exhibit 9, appendix.)

AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

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IV - AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Colonel Olds, division commander, presented the Distinguished Flying Cross to First Lieutenant Dean E. Abrams of the 309th Fighter-Escort Squadron (31st FEW) on 10 July 1952. 20/

On 18 July 1952, the Division Commander presented the same award to First Lieutenant Bruce E. Rambler of the 811th Operations Squadron, 811th Air Base Group. 21/

20/ Newspaper clipping, "Fighters In-Formation," dated 18 July 1952. (See exhibit 10, appendix.)

21/ Newspaper clipping, "Fighters In-Formation," dated 25 July 1952. (See exhibits 11, 12, appendix.)

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ROSTER OF KEY PERSONNEL

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V - ROSTER OF KEY PERSONNEL

Colonel Thayer S. Olds	Commanding Officer
Colonel Joe R. Williams	Director of Personnel
Colonel Robert P. Montgomery	Director of Operations
A/ 1C Joseph M. Mutter	Secretary-Sergeant Major

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APPENDIX

HEADQUARTERS 40TH AIR DIVISION
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

GENERAL ORDERS) 7 July 1952

NUMBER 19)

1. LIEUTENANT COLONEL CHARLES L TUTTLE 19572A Headquarters 376th Medical Group, 376th Bomb Wing (M), SAC, Barksdale Air Force Base, Louisiana, having reported to this headquarters for approximately thirty (30) days temporary duty for purpose of augmenting medical service, is hereby appointed 40th Air Division Surgeon, 508th Fighter-Escort Wing Surgeon and Base Surgeon, Turner Air Force Base, effective 7 July 1952 during the temporary absence of LIEUTENANT COLONEL ALBERT W VAN SICKLE 19128A.

BY ORDER OF COLONEL OIDS:

OFFICIAL:

EDMOND L. FORTIN
Major, USAF
Adjutant

/s/ Thomas M. MacClothlin
/t/ THOMAS M. MacCLOTHLIN
2d Lt., USAF
Asst. Adjutant

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2nd Lt., USAF

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HEADQUARTERS 40TH AIR DIVISION
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

SPECIAL ORDERS)
NUMBER 171) 18 July 1952

E X T R A C T

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34. 1ST LT CHARLES J HARDIN A0832396 811th Oprs Sq Turner AFB Albany Ga will pro o/a 20 Jul 52 fr Turner AFB Albany Ga to Maxwell AFB Ala on TDY for aprx one (1) day to rept to Dr Praytor at Hosp thereat in out patient status DPUO and upon compl thereof will rtrn to Turner AFB Albany Ga. Tvl by mil acft dird when aval. Tvl by coml acft, coml rail and/or bus authd IAW AFR 75-38. GQ and messing fac w/b utilized when aval. Tvl vou w/b submitted to Fin O w/i five (5) working days upon compl of tvl.Fin O making pmt against this order will fwd cy pd vou to Bud & Fisc O this sta. Auth: AFR 35-52, 2AFR 35-8. TDN 5733400 367-9400 P458-02 S09-608 Code 302.1.

35. SMOP 17 SO 154 this Hq cs relating to reasgmt of A/1C WALTER E MOON AF20401237 to Hq 811th AB Gp as reads "TDY" is amndd to read "AWOL"

36. The folg named pers orgns indicated Turner AFB Albany Ga will pro o/a 20 Jul 52 fr Turner AFB Albany Ga to Hq 2AF Barksdale AFB La CIPAP on TDY for aprx six (6) days to attenc 2AF Comdrs conf DPUO and upon compl thereof will rtrn to Turner AFB Albany Ga. Tvl by mil acft dird when aval. Tvl by coml acft, coml rail and/or bus authd IAW AFR 75-38. GQ and messing fac w/b utilized when aval. Tvl vou w/b submitted to Fin O w/i five (5) working daysupon compl of tvl.Fin O making pmt against this order will fwd cy pd vou to Bud & Fisc O this sta. Pers listed in this order are cleared for access to clasd mat up to and including Top Secret for this TDY Auth: AFR 35-52, 2AFR 35-8,TWX 2AFPGE 4673 dtd 17 Jul 52. TDN 5733400 367-9400 P458-02 S09-608 Code 302.1.

COL THAYER S OLDS 372A Hq 40th ADiv
COL GERALD W JOHNSON 8671A 466th Ftr-Fsc Sq

37. LT COL CHARLES L TUTTLE 19572A atchd 508th Med Gp Turner AFB Albany Ga will pro o/a 20 Jul 52 fr Turner AFB Albany Ga to Hq 2AF Barksdale AFB La on TDY for aprx three (3) days to attend 2AF Surgeon's conf DPUO and upon compl thereof will rtrn to Turner AFB Albany Ga. Tvl by mil acft dird when aval. Tvl by coml acft, coml rail and/or bus authd IAW AFR 75-38. GQ and messing fac w/b utilized when aval. Tvl vou w/b submitted to Fin O w/i five (5) working days upon compl of tvl. Fin O making pmt against this order will fwd cy pd vou to Bud & Fisc O this sta. LT COL TUTTLE is cleared for access to clasd mat up to and including Top Secret for this TDY only. Auth: AFR 35-52, 2AFR 35-8 and Msg 2AFPLB 4693 dtd 17 Jul 52. TDN 5733400 367-9400 P458-02 S09-608.

38. SMOP 30 SO 169 this Hq cs relating to amndg par 1 SO 165 this Hq cs relating to reasgmt of off to 508th Med Gp this sta as reads "Off presently TDY Lowry AFB Colo" is amndd to read "Off presently TDY Ft Bragg Army Hosp Ft Bragg NC".

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40. Secret.

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BY ORDER OF COLONEL OLDS:

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HEADQUARTERS 40TH AIR DIVISION
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

GENERAL ORDERS)
NUMBER 22)

25 July 1952

COLONEL JOE R WILLIAMS 3403A Headquarters 40th Air Division Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia is appointed primary duty of Director of Personnel 40th Air Division (DAFSC 0016), additional duty Director of Administration 40th Air Division (DAFSC 7016), additional duty of Executive Officer 40th Air Division (DAFSC 7016).

BY ORDER OF COLONEL OLDS:

OFFICIAL

EDMOND L FORTIN
Major, USAF
Adjutant

/s/ THOMAS M MacGLOTHLIN
/t/ THOMAS M MacGLOTHLIN
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EXHIBIT 3

HEADQUARTERS 40TH AIR DIVISION
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

GENERAL ORDERS)
NUMBER 23)

29 July 1952

1. COLONEL ROBERT P. MONTGOMERY 4174A Headquarters 40th Air Division Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia, is appointed Director of Operations (Primary Duty) (DAFSC 0036D).

BY ORDER OF COLONEL OLDS:

OFFICIAL

EDMOND L. FORTIN
Major, USAF
Adjutant

/s/ THOMAS M. MacGLOTHLIN
/t/ 2d Lt., USAF
Asst. Adjutant

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EXHIBIT 4

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DIV CO — Commanders' Conference, Second Air Force, 21 July 1952

Commanding Officer
508th Fighter-Escort Wing

Commanding Officer
40th Air Division

Date: 24 July 1952

1. My notes taken at the recent Commanders Conference, Hq 2AF, follow:

a. For Wing and Base Commanders. The management improvement program is looking for concrete accomplishments at all levels rather than voluminous and time consuming studies of the problem. Management courses instructional material is now available at Wilkins Specialized Depot, Shelby, Ohio.

b. For Wing and Base Commanders. Look at Air Force Reg 31-9 with regard to punishment under Article 15. If a commander desires that Article 15 action be considered by a promotion board, he must so state in Effectiveness Reports.

c. For Wing and Base Commanders. Travel orders with delay enroute authorized are being closely scrutinized by the General Accounting Office. Avoid authorizing delay enroute in the vicinity of an officer's or airman's home. Non-availability of quarters on TDY duty cannot be a continuing proposition over a period of time. An officer or airman TDY for a long period with quarters unavailable upon arrival is responsible for checking weekly to determine if quarters become available. Return trip tickets often are bought for commercial air travel when transportation by military aircraft enroute out is not available. Persons must check for the return trip to see if military aircraft are available.

d. For Wing and Base Commanders. The NCO Club has been eliminated from the 54 Budget I understand. Base Commander give me a definite plan for expanding our present NCO Club facilities.

e. For Wing and Base Commanders. The Base Commander must interview returnees from FEAF the first day after arrival at this station to look them over and to encourage them to remain on active duty if they are needed.

f. We need some good pictures of F-84's for the Chief of Staff of SAC to hang on the walls in the Command Section of SAC Headquarters.

g. Wing and Base Commanders. Look up SAC Reg 62-20, Subject: Flying Safety Committee. We must be in this business by 1 August 1952.

Exhibit 5

h. Look up SAC Reg 62-16, Subject: "Aircraft Accident Follow-up Report" and comply. Read SAC Reg 55-26, Subj: "Tactics Panels" dated 7 May 1952.

/s/ Thayer S. Olds
/t/ THAYER S. OLDS
Colonel, USAF
Commanding

A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

PATSY FONVENUTO, JR.
2nd Lt., USAF

"Fighters In-Formation," 25 Jul 52

AFROTC CADETS COMPLETE COURSE AT GRADUATION, PARADE FRIDAY

Turner's 265 ROTC cadets completed their summer encampment here Friday, July 18, with a graduation ceremony, dress parade, and picnic. These final-day activities marked the end, for the Collegians, of four weeks of intensive military training in a program which has been described by all concerned as very successful.

Though most of the Cadets considered the program very interesting and profitable, they were understandably eager to return to their homes as the camp drew to a close.

This feeling was demonstrated when, at the beginning of the graduation ceremony, Col. Joe R. Williams stated, "You have been gathered here to attend your last lecture on Turner Air Force Base." The announcement was met with approval from the Cadets who in a few hours would be homeward bound.

COLONEL WILLIAMS introduced Col. John Easton, base comander, who in a few brief remarks, expressed his sincere gratification at the successful outcome of the training program, and extended best wishes to the Cadets for a "bright and shining future."

He complimented them on their swift acclimation to Air Force life and described their improvement in all phases of military training as "extremely satisfying."

Shortly after the graduation ceremony, the Cadets formed on the baseball field for their final dress parade. Here they demonstrated the fact that Colonel Easton's complimentary remarks had been well-founded, by performing the intricate movements with the precision and skill of a long experienced and well trained organization.

After the parade they disbursed to the recreation area for a picnic.

THE MACDILL Air Force Base Band was here for the occasion. They played at the opening and closing of the graduation ceremony, at the parade and entertained at the picnic.

Upon their arrival here, June 23, the students found a well-balanced program designed to give them an insight into the many functions of a jet fighter base.

Everything from aircraft inspection to physical training was included on the busy training schedule set up by Colonel Williams and his staff of 18 ConAC officers and airmen, four Turner personnel, and one civilian.

During the first few days of the encampment, the Cadets had all the appearances of raw recruits, but as the days and weeks of rigorous training progressed, they began to look more and more soldierly.

By the end of the first week, the opening confusion had settled into a smoothly operating routine. The students had become more or less accustomed to their strange surroundings, and the program was proceeding without a hitch.

THEN BEDLAM: The 31st F E Wing was ordered to the far-east, and the base's normal routine was completed disrupted. In the words of Colonel Easton, "The Cadets often arrived at their classrooms only to discover that an instructor had not yet been made available for them."

This however, as Colonel Easton explained, was rather opportune. The Cadets were given a chance to see the base respond to a war-time emergency situation. Here they were given to realize the value of arduous preparatory training.

Even in the midst of Turner's harried shipment turmoil, though, the ROTC program contined with few disturbances. The only change in procedure which was made necessary was a slight change in schedule which circuited the F-84 inspection.

THE PROPOSED high-lights of the program were strictly adhered to. The students were given an opportunity to fly as passengers on a tactical aircraft; the B-29. They made inspections of other type aircraft, such as the huge C-124 transport, and they flew on the same ship to a fire-power demonstration at Eglin AFB, Florida.

Finally, as the camp moved into its last few days, the value of the program became evident. The original straggling band of civilians had been transposed into an efficiently operating military organization. The Cadets were becoming more and more adept at handling the rigors of life in the service, and a large percentage of the men were expressing a desire to make the Air Force their career.

It was about this time that Colonel Williams said, "I am very pleased with the Cadet's readiness to accept military discipline and customs of the service in the proper spirit. Their willingness to cooperate has resulted in a smoothly operating project, and if the same progress is made during the remainder of the training period, the camp's existence will be fully justified."

As the camp drew to a close, all the hoped-for progress had been realized. It's successful administration is a credit to all the officers and NCOs who had part in the camp's skillful planning and operation.

EXHIBIT 6

"Fighters In-Formation," 25 Jul 52

A FLIGHT OF TURNER'S ROTC Cadets march smartly away from the scene of their last dress parade, as the encampment drew to a close, last Friday.

EXHIBIT 7

HEADQUARTERS 40TH AIR DIVISION
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

SPECIAL (ORDERS) 23 July 1952

NUMBER 175)

E X T R A C T

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2. COL JOE P WILLIAMS 3403A Hq 40th Air Division Turner AFB Albany Ga will prc o/a 28 Jul 52 fr Turner AFB Albany Ga to Hq Bldg C Room 1009 Hq SAC Offutt AFB Nebr on TDY for aprx three (3) days to critique conf of Summer AFROTC Encampments DPUO and upon compl thereof will rtrn to Turner AFB Albany Ga. Tvl by mil acft dird when aval. Tvl by comm carr, rr, air and/or bus authd IAW AFR 75-38. GC and messing fac w/h utilized when aval. Tvl vou w/h submitted to Fin O w/i five (5) working days upon compl of tvl. Fin O making pmt against thir order will fwd cy pd vou to Bud & Fisc O this sta. COL WILLIAMS is cleared for access to classd mat up to and including Top Secret for this TDY only. Auth: AFR 35-52, 2AFT 35-8 and TWX Hq SAC DOTRG 13652 dtd 19 Jul 52. TDN 5733400 367-9400 P458-02 S09-608. Code 302.1

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BY ORDER OF COLONEL OLDS:

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EXHIBIT 8

"Fighters In-formation," 1 Aug 52

111 LIFE MEMBERSHIPS SOLD IN FIRST 5 DAYS OF AID SOCIETY DRIVE

Only Two Squadrons Had Reported When This Total Given; Installations Leads With 20; Headquarters ABG Has 19; First to Pledge Were Committeemen of Latter Squadron

One hundred eleven lifetime memberships to the Air Force Aid Society in the first five days of the 1952 Air Force Aid Society fund drive have started Turner's membership campaign off to a flying start.

With only two squadrons reporting their membership totals so far, 811th Installations Squadron leads the field with 69 life memberships sold. Second is Headquarters, 811th Air Base Group with 42.

First on the base to pledge life memberships, were the entire drive committee for the Headquarters Squadron. Consisting of M-Sgt. Thurman Hopper, chairman; M-Sgt. Clyde Thomas, M-Sgt. Victor R. Principal, T-Sgt. B. S. Campbell, M-Sgt. Floyd Broman, T-Sgt. M. W. Smith, S-Sgt. Paul Anthony and Captain Joseph G. Guggino, squadron CO, the members purchased the $50 lifetime cards the opening day of the drive.

Major Harry A. Mintz, project officer for the drive, has asked each life member to pledge another airman or officer as a lifetime member.

IN LAST YEARS membership drive, Turner sold over 200 life memberships, helping the base to lead the entire Air Force in total contributions for 1951. It is hoped that the per capita contribution will exceed the record set for Second Air Force of $2.94 per person in the 1951 drive.

The mission of the Society is to provide emergency funds in the form of loans and grants for Air Force personnel and their families. They also provide the funds for higher education for dependent children of Air Force personnel whose parents would otherwise not be able to send them to college.

Aid Society funds are disbursed to cover eight different types of emergencies. These include payment of rent to prevent eviction, emergency medical and hospital expenses, emergency financial assistance in case of death, emergency dental care, purchase of clothing in emergencies and to help dependent children obtain a higher education when the parents are disable or deceased and unable to finance such education.

SINCE 1947, the personnel strength of the Air Force has increased one and a half times, but the amount of assistance rendered by the Society has increased four and a half times. Officials pointed out that no government funds are used by the AFAS.

Throughout the Air Force last year the Aid Society disbursed, in the form of loans or grants, over one and a half million dollars of aid to Air Force families.

At Turner alone, since January 1, 1952, the Turner chapter has made 259 loans and five grants totaling $12,655.14 and have received only $11,738.69 in loan repayments.

This constant depletion of AFAS funds makes it necessary that each year a drive be held to replenish the money neded to carry on the mission of the Society.

MEMBERSHIP contributions range from one dollar up to 500 dollars. Different color cards of membership are issued for each category.

Patron member ($500) is a member for life. A special card is issued in Washington and permanent record of the membership is made.

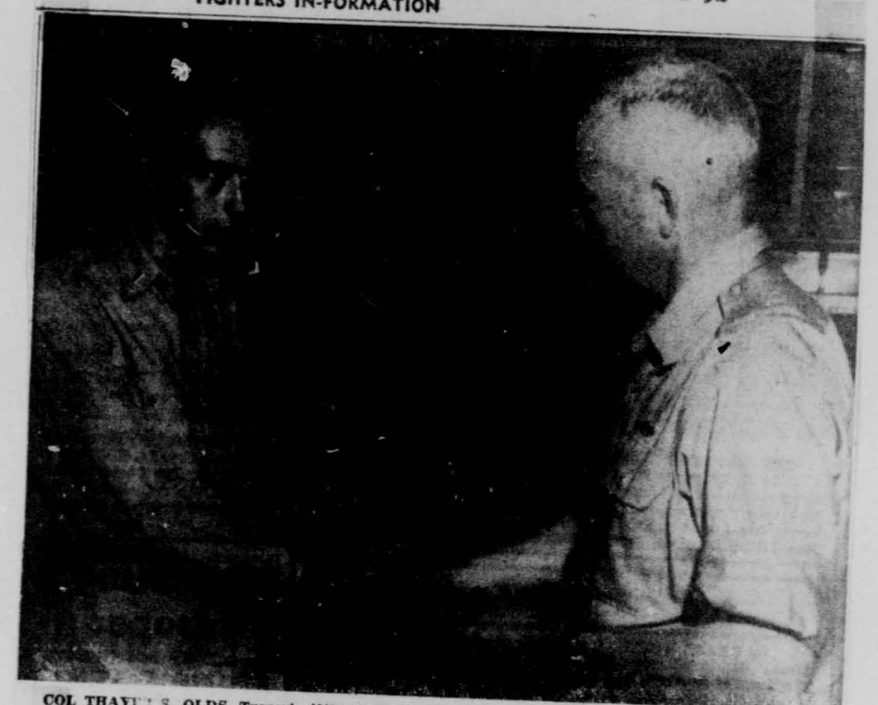
Life Member ($50) is also a lifetime member with a permanent card issued from Washington.

Other memberships are Associate ($25), sustaining ($10), benefactor ($5.00), and member at large ($1.00 to $5.00). These memberships must be renewed annually.

EXHIBIT 9

"Fighters In-Formation," 18 Jul 52

FIGHTERS IN-FORMATION



COL THAYER S. OLDS, Turner's 40th Air Division commander, right, congrafulates I-Lt. Dean E. Abrams after presenting the Distinguished Flying Cross to the lieutenant. Lt. Abrams won the high award for knocking out a Red rail bridge in Korea.

Lt. Abrams Wins DFC For Korea Action

One of Aviation's highest medals, the Distinguished Flying Cross, was awarded to I-Lt. Dean E. Abrams of the 309th Fighter Escort Squadron last Thursday, July 10, by Colonel Thayer S. Olds, 40th AD commander.

In a short ceremony in the office of the base commander, Colonel Olds pinned the medal on Lt. Abrams for his courage and skill in the Korean air fighting. He was previously awarded the Air Medal.

Lt. Abrams, an F-84 pilot, displayed outstanding navigational ability by leading his element through a heavy overcast to the target at Kanggye, Korea, on December 10, 1951. Disregarding heavy small arms fire and flying over mountainous terrain in the overcast, the lieutenant scored a direct hit on an important rail bridge. As a result of his skill, an important link in the Red supply line was cut.

The Tulsa, Oklahoma, native entered the service in July, 1943, and won his wings in March, 1945. He was released from active duty in 1946 to enroll in Tulsa University.

In October, 1951, he was recalled with the 125th Fighter Squadron of the Oklahoma Air National Guard. While in Korea, the lieutenant flew with the 136th Fighter Bomber Group.

Lt. Abrams will be released from active duty on July 15 and return to his home in Tulsa. He is married to the former Faye Crisp of that city.

Lt. Abrams

(Continued from Page 1)

EXHIBIT 10

"Fighters In-Formation," 25 Jul 52

DFC PRESENTED TO LT. RAMLER BY COL. OLDS

Because of his skill, courage and devotion to duty, 1-Lt. Bruce E. Rambler, 311th Operations Squadron, was recently presented with one of aviation's most coveted awards, the Distinguished Flying Cross.

In a brief ceremony at 40th Air Division Headquarters last Friday, July 18 Col. Thayer S. Olds, division commander, presented the eminent award to Lt. Ramler for his meritorious achievements in the Korean Air war.

The citation which accompanied the award stated:

"Lt. Ramler distinguished himself through extraordinary achievement while participating in an Aerial flight of four F-84 type aircraft. He displayed exceptional skill and courage when he attacked a heavily defended railroad tunnel near Sunan, Korea."

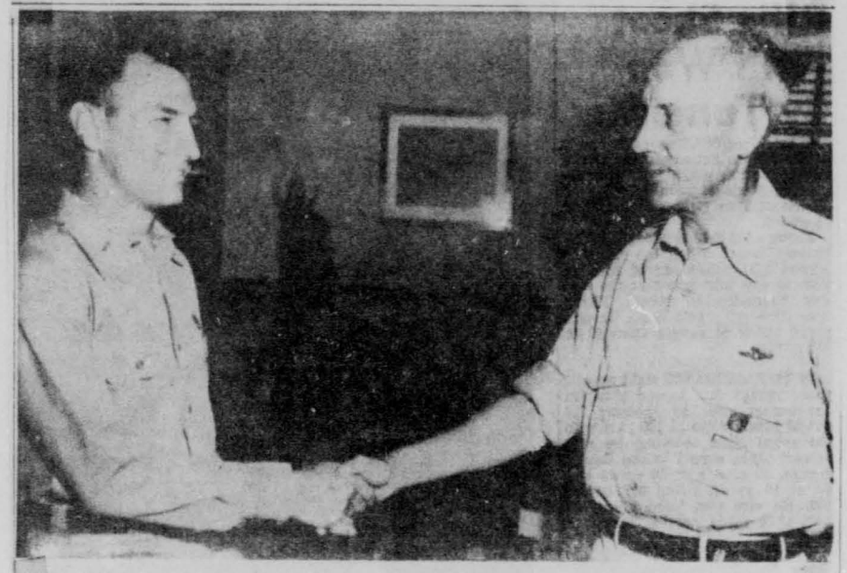
"Despite damage to his aircraft, Lt. Ramler succeeded in placing a bomb into the tunnel, which closed the opening and set off a large secondary explosion. Lt. Ramler's remaining bomb exploded over the other end of the tunnel causing a land slide which closed this opening as well as showering earth down over the adjacent tracks.

"THIS ATTACK was pressed even though his aircraft had sustained serious damage from heavy ground fire. This damage consisted of a severed rudder cable and a three foot section sheared from the aircraft's horizontal stabilizer.

EXHIBIT 11

"Fighters In-Formation," 25 Jul 52

FIGHTERS IN-FORMATION



COL THAYER S. OLDS, 40th Air Division Commander, congratulates Lt. Bruce E. Rambler, after the flyer received the Distinguished Flying Cross for "exceptional skill and bravery" in the Korean Air War.

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(SECOND AIR FORCE)

(STRATEGIC AIR COMMAND)

Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

for

AUGUST 1952

PATSY BONVENUTO, JR.
2nd Lt., USAF
Historical Officer

THAYER S. OLDS
Colonel, USAF
Commanding

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CHRONOLOGY

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1 August 1952 -- Effective date of Colonel Robert P. Montgomery's assignment to the 40th Air Division. 1/

2 August 1952 -- 40th Air Division Review

4 August 1952 -- Colonel Joe R. Williams departed for Headquarters SAC to attend the Colonel's Indoctrination Course. 2/

The Division Commander and Col. Montgomery departed for New York City to attend a meeting on 6 August of the Directors of the Sports Car Club of America. Returned 7 August. 3/

14 August 1952 -- General Joseph H. Atkinson, CG, Second Air Force, landed on the base at 1218 hours. In a brief ceremony on the flight line he presented the "Operations Safewheels" trophy to the Division Commander in behalf of Turner Air Force Base. 4/

16 August 1952 -- The Division Commander spoke to all military personnel on the Base concerning the Sowega National Sports Car Races to be held on the base 26 October 1952.

1/ Hq 40th Air Div Special Orders 180, par 20, dtd 29 Jul 52. (See Exhibit No. 1)

2/ Hq 40th Air Div Special Orders 178, par 13, dtd 20 Jul 52. (See Exhibit No. 2)

3/ Hq 40th Air Div Special Orders 185, par 2, dtd 4 Aug 52. (See Exhibit No. 3)

4/ Newspaper Clipping, "Fighters In-Formation." (See Exhibit No. 4)

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22 August 1952 -- Effective date of Colonel Jeremiah A. Chase's assignment to the 40th Air Division. 5/

Colonel Chase appointed Director of Personnel for the Division. 6/

Colonel Joe R. Williams appointed Director of Materiel for the Division. 7/

24 August 1952 -- Division Commander and 508th Fighter-Escort Wing Commander departed for Headquarters SAC to attend a commanders conference. 8/

25 August 1952 -- Colonel Montgomery departed Turner Air Force Base for Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio, to attend F-84 weight reduction conference. 9/

5/ Hq 40th Air Div Special Orders 196, par 3, dtd 16 Aug 52. (See Exhibit No. 5)

6/ Hq 40th Air Div General Orders 25, par 1, dtd 18 Aug 52. (See Exhibit No. 6)

7/ Hq 40th Air Div General Orders 25, par 2, dtd 18 Aug 52. (See Exhibit No. 6)

8/ Hq 40th Air Div Special Orders 200, par 11, dtd 21 Aug 52. (See Exhibit No. 7)

9/ Hq 40th Air Div Special Orders 203, par 8, dtd 25 Aug 52. (See Exhibit No. 8)

ORGANIZATION AND ADMINISTRATION

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I - ORGANIZATION AND ADMINISTRATION

During the month of August a few major administrative changes were effected in the Headquarters of the 40th Air Division. Colonel Robert P. Montgomery, formerly of the 508th Fighter-Escort Wing, was transferred to the Division and assumed primary duty as Director of Operations. 10/ Colonel Jeremiah Chase was assigned to the Division and attached to the 31st Fighter-Escort Wing for duty. 11/ On 18 August 1952 Colonel Chase was appointed Director of Personnel relieving Colonel Joe R. Williams who assumed the primary duty of Director of Materiel. 12/

Colonel Olds, 40th Air Division commander and Colonel Wilson, commanding officer of the 508th Fighter-Escort Wing departed Turner Air Force Base on 24 August for the purpose of attending a commanders' meeting at Headquarters Strategic Air Command. 13/ During the absence of Colonel Olds, Colonel Montgomery assumed command of the Division.

On 25 August Colonel Williams, Director of Materiel, departed Turner Air Force Base on five days temporary duty to Headquarters Strategic Air Command for the purpose of attending a colonel's indoctrination course. 14/

10/ Hq 40th Air Div Special Orders 180, par 20, dtd 20 Jul 52. (See Exhibit No. 1)

11/ Hq 40th Air Div Special Orders 196, par 3, dtd 16 Aug 52. (See Exhibit No. 5)

12/ Hq 40th Air Div General Orders 25, pars 1 and 2, dtd 18 Aug 52. (See Exhibit No. 6)

13/ Hq 40th Air Div Special Orders 200, par 11, dtd 21 Aug 52. (See Exhibit No. 7)

14/ Hq 40th Air Div Special Orders 178, par 13, dtd 26 Jul 52. (See Exhibit No. 2)

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OPERATIONS AND TRAINING

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II - OPERATIONS AND TRAINING

Colonel Montgomery, Director of Operations, departed Turner Air Force Base on three days temporary duty to Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio for the purpose of attending an F-84 weight reduction conference. 15/

An installation planning board was established with the purpose of preparing a comprehensive and continuing plan and program for developing and improving the Base. Colonel Williams was appointed member of the Board, while Colonel Olds assumed the additional duty of President of the Board. 16/

In a letter to Colonel Olds, from somewhere in Japan, Colonel David C. Schilling, commanding officer of the 31st Fighter-Escort Wing, praised the "business like manner" in which his organization set up operations at their temporary duty station. He added that "morale is high and the men are proud of their organization." 17/

15/ Hq 40th Air Div Special Orders 203, par 8, dtd 25 Aug 52. (See Exhibit No. 8)

16/ Hq 811th Air Base Gp Special Orders 38, par 2, dtd 15 Aug 52. (See Exhibit No. 9)

17/ Newspaper Clipping, "Fighters In-Formation", dtd 22 Aug 52. (See Exhibit No. 10)

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III - SPECIAL PROJECTS

On 14 August 1952 Major General Joseph H. Atkinson, commanding general of Second Air Force, presented Turner Air Force Base with the SAC Operation Safewheels trophy for the outstanding safety record in July. Colonel Olds accepted the trophy in behalf of the personnel of Turner Air Force Base. It will be retained by this base until 1 September 1952 at which time it will be awarded to the winner of the entire Operation Safewheels campaign. 18/

AIR FORCE AID

The 1952 Air Force Aid Society membership drive reached a successful climax with over 500 life memberships sold on the Base. This is the largest number of life memberships ever sold at any Air Force base, a record of which Turner is justly proud. On the average of one out of every four airmen and officers assigned to Turner now belongs to the Air Force Aid Society. 19/

18/ Newspaper Clipping, "Fighters In-Formation," dtd 15 Aug 52. (See Exhibit No. 4)

19/ Newspaper Clipping, "Fighters In-Formation," dtd 5 Sept 52. (See Exhibit No. 11)

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SOWEGA NATIONAL SPORTS CAR RACES

On 4 August 1952 Colonel Olds and Colonel Montgomery visited New York to attend a meeting of directors of the Sports Car Club of America to discuss the possibility of holding the Sowega (Southwest Georgia) National Sports Car Races at Turner Air Force Base.20/ On 16 August 1952 Colonel Olds addressed all military personnel concerning the races and the benefits that worthy agencies would obtain from the proceeds gained through ticket sales, etc.

On 21 August 1952 it was officially announced that plans were well advanced to stage the first annual Sowega races at Turner Air Force Base on 26 October 1952. Colonel Olds announced that proceeds from the races will be used to support the Airmen's Living Improvement Fund, the Air Force Aid Society, and the Dougherty Public Solicitations, Incorporated. 21/

A gigantic solicitation program was launched under the direction of project officers appointed by squadron commanders. Plans for individual and squadron prizes were formulated and the drive was expected to hit its peak during the forthcoming payday. 22/

Captain George Huntoon, CAP, representing the Sports Club of America met with Colonel Olds and other Base officials to discuss plans connected with the staging of the race. He inspected the race course and advised on the location of starting and finish lines,

20/ Hq 40th Air Div Special Orders 185, par 2, 4 Aug 52. (See Exhibit 3)

21/ Newspaper Clipping, "Fighters In-Formation" . (See Exhibit 12)

22/ Newspaper Clipping, "Fighters In-Formation." (See Exhibit 13)

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bleachers, pits, etc. 23/

23/ Newspaper Clipping, "Fighters In-Formation." (See Exhibit 14)

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ROSTER OF KEY PERSONNEL

IV - ROSTER OF KEY PERSONNEL

Colonel Thayer S. Olds	Division Commander
Colonel Robert P. Montgomery	Director of Operations
Colonel Joe R. Williams	Director of Materiel (PDY) Director of Administration (Add Dy) Executive Officer (Add Dy)
Colonel Jeremiah A. Chase	Director of Personnel (presently DDY FEAF)
A/1C Joseph Mutter	Secretary-Sergeant Major

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APPENDIX

Page 4 SO 180 Hq 40th A Div 29 Jul 52

Par 18 (Continued)

T SGT [illegible] AF13066213 811th Oprs Sq
S SGT [illegible] AF13087005 811th Oprs Sq

19. 1ST LT LLOYD [illegible] 2063068 (PAFSC 1124)(AFSC 1124)(W)(Ar Res) having been asgd 508th Ftr-Esc [illegible] PP 2 SO 169 Hqs 57th [illegible] Fairchild AFB Fairchild Wash [illegible] 21 Jul 52 is further [illegible] 467th Ftr-Esc Sq (SAC)(2AF) Turner AFB Albany Ga [illegible] 1 Aug 52 for dy. PCS. [illegible] 1 Aug 52. No tvl involved.

20. COL ROBERT [illegible] 4174 (PAFSC 0036B)(AFSC 0036B) (W)(RegAF) is reld fr asgmt and dy Hq 508th Ftr-Esc W (SAC)(2AF)Turner AFB Albany Ga and asgd Hq 40th AD (SAC)(2AF) Turner AFB Albany Ga RPT CO [illegible] 29 Jul 52. [illegible] PCS. [illegible] 1 Aug 52. No tvl involved.

21. S SGT ROBERT [illegible] AF13223882 is reld fr asgmt & dy 811th Instl Sq (SAC)(2AF)Turner AFB Albany Ga eff 1 Aug 52 on which dt he is hon dischd by reason of ETS (AFR [illegible] Hon Disch Certificate DD Form 256 AF) and WP his home of rec: Hagerstown, Maryland or place no farther dis. PCS. TDN: 5733500 348-401 P534(1)-02-03-07 S99-999.

22. S SGT (62250) [illegible] C [illegible] TONEY AF14233060 (PAFSC 62250) (W)(RegAF) (DIAS 22 Aug 51)(M)(PHC 45) having reenl in USAF unasgd at Turner AFB Albany Ga on 29 Jul 52 for a period of six (6) years P&G AFR39-9 in gr of A/1C. Perm DOR 1 Nov 48 and promd to gr of S SGT Temp (DOR 10 Jan 52) is asgd 811th Food Sv Sq (SAC)(2AF) Turner AFB Albany Ga reptg CO NLT 29 Jul 52 for dy. No tvl involved.

* BY ORDER OF COLONEL [illegible]: * *

OFFICIAL:

EDMOND L [illegible]
Major, USAF
Adjutant

[signature]
THOMAS [illegible] McGLAUGHLIN
2nd Lt, USAF
Asst Adj

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HEADQUARTERS 40TH AIR DIVISION
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

SPECIAL ORDERS) 28 Jul 52
NUMBER 150)

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13. SMOP 34 SO 171 this Hq cs relating to TDY of 1ST LT [illegible] J [illegible] AO32396 811th Oprs Sq as reads "5733400 367-9400 P456-02 S09-608 Code 302.1" is amnd to read "5733400 367-9400 P478-02 S09-608."

14. SMOP 37 SO 171 this Hq cs relating to TDY of [illegible] TUTTLE 19572A atchd 508th Med Gp as reads "5733400 367-9400 P456-02 S09-608" is amnd to read "5733400 367-9400 P478 -02 S09-608.

15. A/2C (30131) [illegible] I [illegible] AF15441053 (DAFSC 30151) (M)(RegAF)(ETS 1 Jan 55) is reld fr asgmt and dy 811th Oprs Sq (SAC)(2AF)Turner AFB Albany Ga and is asgd 3302 Flt Tng Sq (Contr Prim),Spence Air Force Base Moultrie Ga-AC 3553 A/C rept CO NLT 21 Aug 52 for the purpose of attending Pilot Tng Class 53-F. TPA. If tvl is performed by TPA one (1) day tvl time authd. Tvl by mil/coml acft, coml rail and/or bus authd. EP. PCA. EDCSA: 21 Aug 52. Auth: Par 27 AF Manual 35-7 AFR 35-59. TDN: 5733500 348-331 P533(4)-02-03-07 S99-999. PCS.

16. T SGT [illegible] AF7004294 Hq 508th Ftr-Esc Wg Turner AFB Albany Ga will pro o/a 29 Jul 52 fr Turner AFB Albany Ga to Maxwell AFB Ala on TDY for aprx three (3) days for the purpose of out patient consultaion USAH and upon compl thereof will rtrn to Turner AFB Albany Ga. Tvl by mil acft is dird when aval, tvl by coml acft, coml rail and/or bus authd IAW AFR 75-38. GQ and messing facs w/b utilized when aval. Tvl vou w/b submitted to Fin O w/i five (5) working days upon compl of tvl. Fin O making pmt against this order will fwd cy of pd vou to B & F Off this sta. Auth AFR 35-52 2 AFR 35-8. TDN: 5733400 367-9400 P478-02 S09-608.

17. PVT-2 [illegible] US53112434 Btry B 47th AF ABn 5th Armored Div Cp Chaffee Ark having repted this sta while on delay enroute status and w/insufficient funds to pro to Ft Lawton Pers Con Seattle Wash WP Ft Lawton Pers Con Seattle Wash by mil or coml acft, coml rail and/or bus. Trans Off will furn nec meal tickets. EM will reimburse govt funds expended in connection w/this order. TDN: 5733500 348-401 P514-01 S99-999. Auth: AR 55-120.

18. VOCO 28 Jul 52 dirg folg named pers organizations indicated Turner AFB Albany Ga to pro on 28 Jul 52 by mil acft when aval, coml acft, coml rail and/or bus authd IAW AFR75-38 fr Turner AFB Albany Ga to Lockbourne AFB Ohio CIRAP on TDY for aprx one (1) day for the purpose of acting as crew members on C-47 type acft for 2nd AF Courier and upon compl thereof to rtrn to Turner AFB Albany Ga are cfmd, exigencies of the sv having been such as to preclude the issuance of competent written orders in adv. TCPF Hq 2nd Air Force. MAJ [illegible] is OIC. Tvl is in gp status. GQ and messing facs w/b utilized when aval. Tvl vou w/b submitted to Fin O w/in five(5) working days upon compl of tvl. Fin O making pmt against this order will fwd cy of pd vou to Bud & Fisc O this sta. Auth AFR 35-52 2AFR [illegible] #270 Hq [illegible] dtd 28 Jul 52. TDN: 5733400 367-9400 P458-02 S09-608 code 302.1.

MAJ [illegible] AO405125 811th Oprs Sq
CAPT [illegible] CARROLL AO432231 Hq 811th [illegible] Gp

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11. Par 25 SO 177 this Hq cs relating to disch of Amn 508th MedGp this sta is revoked.

12. SGT HARRY F COTRONE AF31507002 is reld fr asgmt & dy 508th Med Gp (SAC)(2AF) Turner AFB Albany Ga eff 7 Aug 52 on which dt he is hon dischd by reason of MTS (AFR 39-10 and Per USAF Msg AFPMP-4 70/52 dtd 24 Apr 52). Amn WP his home of rec: Hoxsie RI or place no farther dis PCS TDN 5733500 348-401 P524(1)-02-03-07 S99-999. Hon Disch DD Form 256A.

13. The folg named personnel orgns indicated Turner AFB Albany Ga will pro o/a 4 Aug 52 fr Turner AFB Albany Ga to Hq SAC Offutt AFB Nebr on TDY for aprx five (5) days to attend colonel's indoctrination crse DPUO and upon compl thereof will rtrn to Turner AFB Albany Ga. Tvl by mil acft dird when aval. Tvl by comL carr, ry, air and/or bus authd LIM AFR 75-38. CQ and messing fac w/b utilized when aval. Tvl vou w/b submitted to Fin O w/i five (5) working days upon compl of tvl. Fin O making pmt against this order will fwd cy pd vou to Aud & Disc O this sta. Pers listed in this order are cleared for access to classified mat up to and including Top Secret for this TDY only. Auth: AFR 35-52, 2AFR 35-8 and Msg 2AFPC 2018 dtd 25 Jul 52. TDN 5733400 367-9400 P458-02 S09-608. Code 302.1.

COL JOE R WILLIAMS 3403A Hq 40th Air Division
COL GERALD W JOHNSON 8671A Hq 508th Ftr-Esc Wg

14. SHOP 3 SO 6 this Hq cs relating to TDY of A/2C ROBERT R RANDORF AF27[illegible]0266 31st Med Gp to 1133d USAF S/A Sq Ft Myer Va w/dy dta Naval Med Sch NMRC Bethesda Md is amndd to include "Fifteen (15) DDAL/VP upon compl of sch".

BY ORDER OF COLONEL OLDS:

OFFICIAL: EDMOND L MORTIN
Major, USAF
Adjutant

THOMAS H MacDLOUGLIN
2nd Lt, USAF
Asst Adjutant

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HEADQUARTERS 40TH AIR DIVISION
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

SPECIAL ORDERS) 26 July 1952
NUMBER 178)

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4. SMOP 18 SO 173 this Hq cs relating to rels of A/1C DONALD E WILKINSON AF14237883 Hq 811th AB Gp this sta to VRS Hq 14th AF Robins AFB Ga as reads "to arr thereat on 25Jul 52" is amndd to read "to arr thereat on 23 Jul 52".

5. S SGT MILTON E HOBBS JR AF13297550 is reld fr asgmt & dy 811th Instl Sq (SAC)(2AF) Turner AFB Albany Ga eff 1 Aug 52 on which dt he is hon dischd by reason of ETS (AFR 39-10 and Hq USAF Msg 4-78/52 dtd 24 Apr 52). Amn WP his home of rec: Scranton Pa or place no farther dis. PCS TDN 5733500 348-401 P534(1) -02-03-07 S99-999. Hon DischDD Form 256AF.

6. S SGT HERBERT E HICKS AF14260527 is reld fr asgmt & dy 811th Instl Sq (SAC)(2AF) Turner AFB Albany Ga eff 1 Aug 52 on which dt he is hon dischd by reason of ETS (AFR 39-10 and Hq USAF Msg 4-78/52 dtd 24 Apr 52). Amn WP his home of rec: Columbia S C or place no farther dis PCS TDN 5733500 348-401 P534 (1)-02-03-07 S99-999. Hon Disch DD Form 256AF.

7. S SGT EDWARD F McFARLAND AF13297547 is reld fr asgmt & dy 811th Instl Sq (SAC)(2AF) Turner AFB Albany Ga eff 1 Aug 52on which dt he is hon dischd by reason of ETS (AFR 39-10 and Hq USAF Msg 4-78/52 dtd 24 Apr 52). Amn WP his home of rec: Scranton Pa or place no farther dis PCS TDN 5733500 348-401 P534(1) -02-03-07 S99-999. Hon Disch DD Form 256AF.

8. S SGT (70250) WILLIE R NAFF AF20363160 (M)(W)(RegAF) having been asgd 31st Ftr Wg this sta per par 44 SO 160 Det # 2 2349th PPG Yerba Buena Island Calif dtd 25 Jul 52 is reld fr such asgmt & is asgd WP Hq 508th Ftr-Esc Wg (SAC) (2AF) Turner AFB Albany Ga reptg CO NLT 11 Aug 52 for dy. PCA EDCSA 19 Jul 52. No tvl involved.

9. M SGT (62170) GEORGE H SHORT AF34403394 (DAFSC 62150)(M)(PP)(W)(RegAF) (FSSD 7 Oct 47)(DCS indef) is reld fr asgmt & dy 811th Food Sv Sq (SAC)(2AF) Turner AFB AlbanyGa is asgd WP 2266th Pers Proc Sq 2225th Pers Proc Gp Cp Kilmer NJ and will RUAT CO NLT 9 Sep 52 for subq os mvmt on proj USAFE 0909. SAC Proj 7046. Proj Jun 302. Os mv to be eff under shpmt identifier AN-C. PCS PCA EDCSA 9 Sep 52. TPA. If tvl by TPA four (4) days tvl time authd. Tvl by mil or coml acft, coml rail and/or bus authd. Os shpmt of privately owned auto authd IAW AFR 75-59. Concurrent of coordinated os tvl of depns not authd. AFR 35-48 w/b complied with and immunizations dird therein w/b accomplished im. AFR 182-11 WD Pamphlet 29-11 w/b complied with. The Base Processing Section will comply with provs of 2AFL 123-1. Thirty (30) DDALVP Home Address: c/o R M Parker Lisle NY. Auth: AFR 35-59, and TWX 2AFPEB 1516 dtd 19 Jun 52. TDN 5733500 348-341 P533(5)-02-03-07 S99-999.

10. SMOP 9 SO 176 this Hq cs relating to asgmt of 2ND LT ERNEST L EISELE 02219487 to Hq 508th Ftr-Esc Wg as reads "(DSSN 2051)" is amndd to read"(DAFSC 0003)".

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HEADQUARTERS 40TH AIR DIVISION
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

SPECIAL ORDERS)
NUMBER 185) EXTRACT 4 Aug 52

2. The folg named pers orgns indicated Turner AFB Albany Ga will pro o/a 5 Aug 52 fr Turner AFB Albany Ga to Mitchel AFB NY, Farmingdale LI NY, CIFAP on TDY for aprx three (3) days to coordinate matters pertaining to this comd DPUO and upon compl thereof will rtrn to Turner AFB Albany Ga. Tvl by mil acft dird when aval. Tvl by comm carr, ry, air and/or bus authd IAW AFR 75-38. GQ and messing fac w/b utilized when aval. Tvl vou w/b submitted to Fin O w/i five (5) working days upon compl of tvl. Fin O making pmt against this order will fwd cy pd vou to Bud & Fisc O this sta. Pers listed in this order are cleared for access to Clasd mat up to and including types indicated for this TDY. Tvl is in gp status. COL OLDS is OIC. Auth: AFR 35-52, 2AFR 35-8. TDN 5733400 367-9400 P458-02 S09-608.

COL THAYER S OLDS 372A	Hq 40TH Air Division	Top Secret
COL ROBERT P MONTGOMERY 4174A	Hq 40th Air Division	Top Secret
CAPT EUGENE E McMANUS A0668608	811th Oprs Sq	Top Secret
T SGT HAMPTON PAULK AF6924752	811th Oprs Sq	Secret

3. The VOCO on 2 Aug 52 the reenlmt of S SGT (60350) SAMUEL D YOUNG AF14234455 (DAFSC 60350)(M)(PP)(W)(FSC 53)(DROS 15 Oct 51)(Qual for os)(YOB 1927) in USAF unasgd at Turner AFB Albany Ga on 2 Aug 52 for a pd of six (6) yrs PAC AFR 39-9 in gr of A/1C Perm RegAF DOR 10 Oct 50 and promd to gr of S Sgt Temp RegAF DOR 10 Dec 50 and asgmt to 811th Sup Sq (SAC)(2AF) Turner AFB Albany Ga reptg CO NLT 2 Aug 52 for dy are cfmd, exigencies of the sv having been such as to precludethe issuance of competent written orders in adv.

4. SWOP 14 SO 183 this Hq cs relating to TDY amn 811th Oprs Sq this sta to 3415th Tech Tng Gp Lowry AFB Colo as reads "A/3C ROBERT J KIKAI AF15441056" is amndd to read "A/3C ROBERT J KOKAI AF15441056".

5. SWOP 2 SO 183 this Hq cs relating to asgmt of amn to 811th Mtr Veh Sq is reads "T SGT NICHOLAS M BELLUCCI" is amndd to read "T SGT NICHOLAS M BELLUCCI AF32736107".

6. SWOP 6 SO 182 this Hq cs relating to asgmt of amn to 811th Mtr Veh Sq is reads "A/1C GLEN MAYNARD" is amndd to read "A/1C GLEN M YNARD A 35954330 .

7. The folg named pers 811th AP Sq Turner AFB Albany Ga will pro o/a 15 Aug 52 fr Turner AFB Albany Ga to 3320th Retraining Gp Amarillo AFB Tex on TDY for aprx six (6) days to escort prisoner A/B DAVID COLLINS AF14466712 DPUO and upon compl thereof will rtrn to Turner AFB Albany Ga. Tvl by mil acft dird when aval. Tvl by comm carr, ry, air and/or bus authd IAW AFR 75-38. GQ and messing fac w/b utilized when aval. Tvl vou w/b submitted to Fin O w/i five (5) working days upon compl of tvl. Fin O making pmt against this order will fwd cy pd vou to Bud & Fisc O this sta. Auth: AFR 35-52, 2AFR 35-8 and 2AF Msg 2AFPEB 1926 dtd 23 Jul 52. TDN 5733500 348-121 P593-02 S99-999 5733500 348-122 P593-02 S99-999 5733500 348-123 P593-02 S99-999.

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T SGT GEORGE H BRITT AF7006150 A/2C LOYD L ROBINSON AF14370143

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EXHIBIT 3

8. T SGT (32270) ALFRED B SOSNA AF33617552 (DAFSC 32270)(M)(W)(RegAF) (FSSD 8 Nov 45)(DOS indef) is reld fr asgmt & dy Hq 508th Ftr-Esc Wg (SAC)(2AF) Turner AFB Albany Ga and is asgd 3810th Med Gp (P/L)Pnt Pers) AIRUWG Maxwell AFB Ala. Amn presently atchd USAF Hosp Maxwell AFB Ala. PCS PCA EDCSA 11 Aug 52. No tvl involved. Auth: AFR 35-58, 2AFR 35-8 and Msg 130-3127 SH 3800 th Air Univ Wg Maxwell AFB Ala, dtd 29 Jul 52. TDN 5733500 348-391 P533(15) -02-03-07 S99-999.

9. A/B (55130) DAVID COLLINS AF14466712 (DAFSC 99016)(M)(PP)(W)(RegAF) (FSC 0)(DOS 11 Feb 56) is reld fr asgmt & dy 811th Instl Sq (SAC)(2AF) Turner AFB Albany Ga is asgd 3320th Retraining Gp Amarillo AFB Tex. PCS PCA EDCSA 18 Aug 52. Proj Jan 129. Auth: AFR 35-59 as amndd TWX 2AFPEB 1926 dtd 23 Jul 52 and SAC Msg DPAAP 13505 dtd 18 Jul 52 and Proj 2111-G/ TDN 5733500 348-421 P534-99 S99-999. Tvl by mil, coml acft, coml rail and/or bus authd.

10. A/3C MELVIN E BRASTFIELD AF17342388 is reld fr asgmt & dy 811th Instl Sq (SAC)(2AF) Turner AFB Albany Ga eff 6 Aug 52 on which dt he is hon dischd by reason of hardship AFR 39-13. Amn WP his home of rec: Topeka Kansas or place no farther dis PCS TDN 5733500 348-401 P534(1)-02-03-07 S99-999. Hon DischDD Form 256AF.

11. A/1C MANUEL E ELKIN AF24896814 is reld fr asgmt & dy Hq 508th Med Gp (SAC)(2AF) Turner AFB Albany Ga eff 8 Aug 52 on which dt he is hon dischd by reason [illegible] par 5b (4) AFL 39-12. [illegible]
Hon Disch DD Form 256AF.

12. AMOP 17 SO 182 this Hq cs relating to TDY of pers 467th Ftr-Esc Sq and Hq 508th Ftr-Esc Wg as reads "3320th Tech Trng Gp" is amndd to "3320th Tech Trng Gp Amarillo AFB Tex".

13. A/2C (47155) MELVIN H BADE AF16334291 (DAFSC 47155)(M)(W)(RegAF) having been asgd 31st AB Gp Turner AFB Albany Ga per par 3 SO 176 1600th Aerial Port Sq 1600th AB Gp 1600th ATW Westover AFB Mass dtd 28 Jul 52 is reld fr such asgmt & is asgd WP 811th Mtr Veh Sq (SAC)(2AF) Turner AFB Albany Ga reptg CO NLT 31 Aug 52 for dy if govt tvl is furnd. Rpt 2 Sep 52 if tvl by TPA. PCA EDCSA 18 Aug 52. No tvl involved.

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BY ORDER OF COLONEL OLDS:

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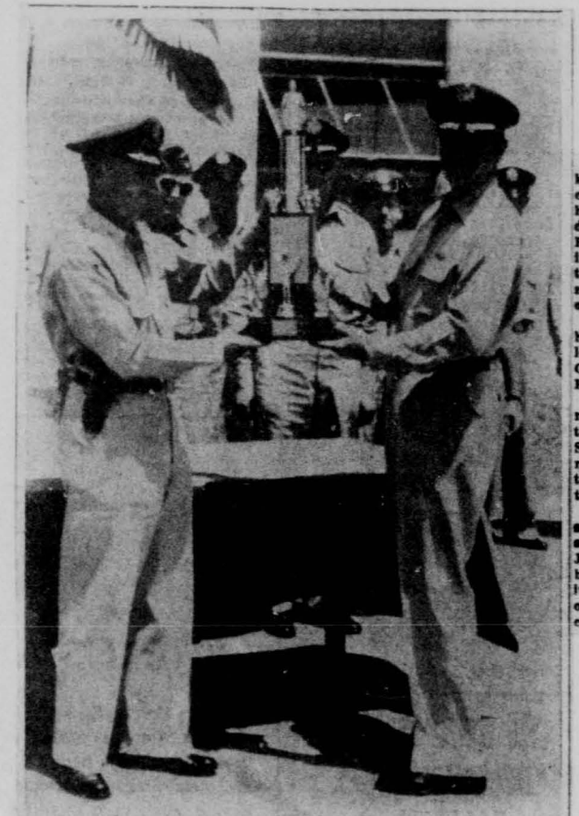

MAJ. GEN. JOSEPH H. ATKINSON, commanding general of the Second Air Force, right, presents Col. Thayer S. Olds, 40th Air Division CO, the SAC Operation Safewheels safety trophy for the outstanding safety record in July. Col. Gerald Johnson, deputy CO of the 508th Fighter Wing and Col. John J. Easton, base commander, look on. Turner will keep the trophy until Sept. 1, when it will be awarded to the winner of the entire Safewheels campaign.

Major-General Joseph H. Atkinson, Commanding General of Second Air Force, arrived here at noon yesterday (Thursday) to present Turner Air Force Base with two outstanding awards, in recognition for the superior safety achievements here, since the beginning of Operation Safe-Wheels.

The General's plane was met by Colonel Thayer S. Olds, Colonel John J. Easton, Colonel Gerald Johnson, and the Turner Honor Guard.

In a brief flight-line ceremony, General Atkinson presented the Turner officials and Mr. Samuel Z. Orgel, Safety Director with the SAC Motor Safety Achievement Award, and also the Outstanding Safety Trophy.

The Safety Trophy was presented in recognition of Turners showing during the month of July and will be retained by this base until Sept.1 at which time it will be awarded to the winner of the Operation Safe-Wheels contest.

EXHIBIT 4

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Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

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2. A/3C CARLYLE WYATT AF16382100 811th Mtr Veh Sq Turner AFB Albany Ga will pro o/a 28 Aug 52 fr Turner AFB Albany Ga to Chanute AFB Ill on TDY for aprx one hundred twenty (120) days to attenc welding crse no 53250 DPUO and will RUAT CO NLT 1 Sep 52 for cl commencing 6 Sep 52. This is a crse of instr. Upon graduation amn w/b awarded AFSC 53230. Upon compl thereof amn will rtrn to Turner AFB Albany Ga. TPA. Tvl time in excess of common carr is two (2) days which is authd and delay enroute and chargeable as leave. Tvl vou w/b submitted to Fin O w/i five (5) working days upon compl of tvl. Fin O making pmt against this order will fwd cy pd vou to CG TTAF Gulfport Miss ATTN Compt. Auth: AFR 35-52, 2AFR 35-8 and Ltr Hq 2AF File 2AFPGB 352 Subj Sch of Tng Rqmts Rpt dtd 7 Aug 52. TDN 5733400 364-4210 P443-02-03-07 S22-603.

3. COL (7016) JEREMIAH A CHASE A0344792 is reld fr asgmt & dy Hq 31st Ftr-Esc Wg (SAC)(2AF) is asgd Hq 40th ADiv (SAC)(2AF) Turner AFB Albany Ga and is further atchd to Hq 31st Ftr-Esc Wg for dy. Off presently TDY Proj Ice Water One. No tvl involved.

4. A/B (62010) RUBEN L BASS AF14437934 (DAFSC 99015)(M)(W) having returned to mil control fr a desertion status fr 3320th Retraining Gp Amarillo AFB Tex (in Vol) eff 15 Aug 52 is asgd 811th AP Sq (SAC)(2AF) Turner AFB Albany Ga. Auth Par 17b AFR 35-73.

5. A/B BUCK WILLIAMS AF14279810 (DAFSC 99015)(M)(W) having returned to mil control fr a desertion status fr Hq 306th AB Gp MacDillAFB Fla (in vol) eff 16 Aug 52 is asgd 811th AP Sq (SAC)(2AF) Turner AFB Albany Ga. Auth: Par 17b AFR 35-73.

6. Par 27 SO 194 this Hq cs relating to rels of 1ST LT CHARLES J HARDIN A0832396 811th Oprs Sq is revoked.

BY ORDER OF COLONEL OLDS:

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HEADQUARTERS 40TH AIR DIVISION
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

18 August 1952

GENERAL ORDERS)
NUMBER 25)

1. COLONEL JEREMIAH A CHASE AO 344792 (PAFSC 7016)(DAFSC 0016D) is appointed Director of Personnel 40th Air Division vice COLONEL JOE R WILLIAMS 3403A effective 22 August 1952.

2. COLONEL JOE R WILLIAMS 3403A (PAFSC 0036C)(DAFSC 0041D) is appointed Director of Material of 40th Air Division effective 22 August 1952.

BY ORDER OF COLONEL OLDS:

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THOMAS M Mac LOTHLIN
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EXHIBIT 6

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HEADQUARTERS 40TH AIR DIVISION
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

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10. SMOP 9 S 171 this Hq cs relating to asgmt of amn to Hq 811th AB Gp to Hq 508th Ftr-Esc Wg as pertains to A/2C R Q H L [illegible] 34822035 is revoked.

11. Folg-named offs orgns indicated Turner AFB Albany Ga will pro o/a 24 Aug 52 fr Turner AFB Albany Ga to Hq SAC Offutt AFB Nebr CIPAP on TDY for aprx three (3) days for the purpose of attending Commanders Meeting ([illegible])and upon compl thereof will rtrn to Turner AFB Albany Ga. Tvl by mil acft is dird when aval, tvl by coml acft,ry, and/or bus authd IAW AFR 75-38. GQ and messing facs w/b utilized when aval. Tvl vou w/b submitted to Fin C w/i five (5) working days upon compl of tvl. Fin C making pmt against this order will fwd cy of pd vou to Bud & Fisc C this sta. Offs are cleared for access to clasd material up to and including TOP SECRET for the period of this TDY. Auth: AFR 35-52, 2AFR 35-8 Msg Hq SAC CS3530 dtd 14 Aug 52. TDN: 5733400 367-9400 P458-02 S09-608. Code 302.1.

COL TWAYER S OLDS 372A Hq 40th ADiv
COL [illegible] WILSON 1521A Hq 508th Ftr-Esc Wg

12. 1ST LT [illegible] J CAHILL A0973316 Hq 811th AB Gp Turner AFB Albany Ga will pro o/a 22 Aug 52 fr Turner AFB Albany Ga to Lockbourne AFB Ohio CIPAP on TDY for aprx one (1) day for the purpose of actg as 2d AF Courier Off (DOPF - Hq 2AF) and upon compl thereof will rtrn to Turner AFB Albany Ga. GQ and messing facs w/b utilized when aval. Tvl by mil acft is dird when aval, tvl by common carr, ry, air and/or bus authd IAW AFR 75-38. Tvl vou w/b submitted to Fin C w/i five (5) working days upon compl of tvl. Fin C making pmt against this order will fwd cy of pd vou to Bud & Fisc C this sta. 1ST LT CAHILL is cleared for access to clasd material up to and including TOP SECRET for the pd of this TDY. Auth: AFR 35-52, 2AFR 35-8 TDN: 5733400 367-9400 P458-02 S09-608.

13. S SGT ARCHIE T [illegible] NG A 15270507 is reld fr [illegible] asgmt 811th Instl Sq Turner AFB Albany Ga (SAC)(2AF) off 2 Aug 52 on which dt he is hon disch by reason of ETS (AFR 39-10, Hon Disch Certificate [illegible] Form 2[illegible]). Amn will pro his home of rec: Camden Ohio or place no farther dis. PCS. TDN: 5733500 348-401 P534(1)-02-03-07 S99-999.

14. 2ND LT STANLEY N WILKES A01853291 811th Food Sv Sq Turner AFB Albany Ga will pro o/a 25 Aug 52 fr Turner AFB Albany Ga to Lockbourne AFB Ohio CIPAP on TDY for aprx one (1) day for the purpose of actg as 2d AF Courier Off (DOPF - Hq 2AF) and upon compl thereof will rtrn to Turner AFB Albany Ga. GQ and messing facs w/b utilized when aval. Tvl by mil acft is dird when aval, tvl by common carr, ry, air and/or bus authd IAW AFR 75-38. Tvl vou w/b submitted to Fin C w/i five (5) working days upon compl of tvl. Fin C making pmt against this order will fwd cy of pd vou to Bud & Fisc C this sta. 2ND LT WILKES is cleared for access to clasd material up to and including TOP SECRET for the pd of this TDY. Auth: AFR 35-52, 2AFR 35-8 TDN: 5733400 367-9400 P458-02 S09-608.

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15. [illegible] 20 Aug [illegible] 2 dirg [illegible]-named pers orgn indicated Turner AFB Albany Ga to pro on 20 Aug 52 by mil acft when aval, com acft, coml rail and/or bus auth [illegible] 75-38 fr Turner AFB Albany Ga to Lockbourne AFB Ohio [illegible] on [illegible] sprx one (1) day for the purpose of acting as crew members on C-47 type aircraft for 2nd AF Courier and upon compl thereof to rtrn to Turner AFB Albany Ga are cfmd, exigencies of the sv havin been such as to preclude the issuance of competent written orders in adv. [illegible] Hq 2nd AF. MAJ McC[illegible] is [illegible]IC. Tvl is in gp status. [illegible] and messing facs w/b utilized when aval. Tvl vou w/b submitted to Fin [illegible] w/i five (5) working days upon coml of tvl. Fin [illegible] pmt against this order will fwd cy of pd vou to Bud [illegible] Fisc [illegible] this sta. Auth: [illegible] 35-52, 2[illegible] 35-8 Par 3 Flt [illegible]233 Hq TAFB dtd 20 [illegible] 52. [illegible] 5733400 367-2400 [illegible]458-02 S09-608 code 302.1.

[illegible] JAMES W MCCRARY [illegible] 767314	[illegible]ther Oct 26-3	CLEARANCE
1ST LT [illegible] [illegible] 834163	811th Sup Sq	TOP SECRET
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] 7[illegible]534	Hq 508th Ftr-Esc Wg	TOP SECRET
T SGT [illegible] [illegible] AF6924752	811th Sprs Sq	TOP SECRET
S SGT GEORGE A GREY [illegible]11[illegible]3[illegible]8	811th Sprs Sq	SECRET
		SECRET

16. A/2C THOMAS [illegible] AF18341210 is reld fr asgmt [illegible] dy 811th Sup Sq (SAC)(2AF)Turner AFB Albany Ga off 30 Aug 52 on which dt he is hon disch by reason of ETS ([illegible] 39-10, Hon Disch Certificate [illegible] Form 256[illegible]). Amn WP his home of rec: Bonham Tex or place no farther dis. PCS.T N: 5733500 348-401 [illegible]534(1)-02-03-07 S99-999.

17. Folg-named amn having been asgd fr Hq Amarillo [illegible] 3320th Tech Tng Wg Amarillo AFB Tex to 508th Ftr-Esc Wg this sta per Par 100 S[illegible] 190 Hq Amarillo AFB & 3320th Tech Tng Wg Amarillo AFB Tex dtd 15 Aug 52 are further asgd Hq 508th Ftr-Esc Wg (SAC)(2AF)Turner AFB Albany Ga rept [illegible] NLT 12 Sep 52 for dy. [illegible] CSA: 1 Sep 52. No tvl involved.

A/2C KENNETH W NULL AF15471843
A/3C [illegible] AMS AF19431[illegible]80
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BY ORDER OF COLONEL [illegible]:

OFFICIAL: _____ [illegible] L [illegible]RTIN
Major, USAF
Adjutant

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THOMAS [illegible] MacGLOTELIN
2nd Lt, USAF
Asst Adj

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HEADQUARTERS 40TH AIR DIVISION
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

SPECIAL ORDERS)
NUMBER 203) 25 August 1952

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8. COL ROBERT P MONTGOMERY 4174A Hq 40th ADiv Turner AFB Albany Ga will pro o/a 25 Aug 52 fr Turner AFB Albany Ga to Wright-Patterson AFB Ohio CIPAP on TDY for aprx three (3) days to attend weight reduction conf DPU and upon compl thereof will rtrn to Turner AFB Albany Ga. Tvl by mil acft dird when aval. Tvl by common carr, ry, air, and/or bus authd IAW AFR 75-38. GQ and messing fac w/b utilized when aval. Tvl vou w/b submitted toFin O w/i five (5) working days upon compl of tvl. Fin O making pmt against this order will fwd cy pd vou to Bud & Fisc O this sta. COL MONTGOMERY is cleared for access to clasd mat up to and including Top Secret for this TDY only. Auth: AFR 35-52, 2AFR 35-8 and Hq SAC Msg DODF 20875 dtd 22 Aug 52. TDN 5733400 367-9400 P458-02 S09-608. Code 302.1.

BY ORDER OF COLONEL MONTGOMERY:

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EDMOND L PORTIN
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THOMAS M MacGLOTHLIN
2nd Lt, USAF
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EXHIBIT 3

HEADQUARTERS 811TH AIR BASE GROUP
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

SPECIAL ORDERS)
NUMBER 38)

15 Aug 52

This Special Order consists of paragraphs 1 through 11 inclusive. Classified paragraphs NONE not included in this compilation.

BY ORDER OF COLONEL EASTON:

EDMOND L. FONTIN
Major, USAF
Adjutant

OFFICIAL:

THOMAS T. MacGLOTHLIN
2nd Lt, USAF
Asst Adj

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EXHIBIT 9

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HEADQUARTERS 811TH AIR BASE GROUP
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

SPECIAL ORDERS)
NUMBER 38) E X T R A C T 15 Aug 52

1. VOCO 4 Aug 52 granting S SGT WILLARD DAVIS AF6966386 811th Sup Sq Turner AFB Albany Ga ten (10) days ordinary lv of absence eff 4 Aug 52 are cfmd, exigencies of the sv having been such as to preclude the issuance of competent written orders in adv.

2. An Instl Planning Bd consisting of the folg-named Offs is aptd to meet at the call of the president thereof. Bd pros w/b conducted IAW AFR 85-10:

DETAIL FOR THE BOARD

COL THAYER S OLDS	372A	Hq 40th ADiv (Pres)
COL CY WILSON	1521A	Hq 508th Ftr-Esc Wg
COL DAVID C SCHILLING	4450A	Hq 31st Ftr-Esc Wg
COL ROBERT P MONTGOMERY	4174A	Hq 40th Air Div
COL ERNEST B JONES	2005A	508th Periodic Maint Sq
COL JOE R WILLIAMS	3403A	Hq 40th Air Division
COL JOHN J EASTON	4051A	Hq 811th AB Gp
COL ALBERT V KANIG	A0463191	Hq 31st Ftr Esc-Wg
LT COL ALBERT W VAN SICKLE	19128A	31st Med Gp
LT COL CHESTER M CAMPBELL JR	7632A	Hq 811th AB Gp
MAJ JOHNNIE P HARLOW	A0128420	811th AP Sq
MAJ HENRY C KELLEY	A0468868	Hq 811th AB Gp
MAJ ROBERT T FORREST	A0364029	811th Opr Sq
CAPT FRANK D FURLOW	A01117792	811th Instl Sq.

Bd aptd by par 6, SO 49 Hq 31st AB Gp dtd 29 Feb 52 as amndd by par 2, SO 116 Hq 31st AB Gp dtd 21 May 52, par 9, SO 142 Hq 31st AB Gp dtd 26 Jun 52 and par 20, SO 8 this Hq cs is hereby dissolved. Rcd and unfinished business w/b fwdd to the newly aptd Bd.

3. A B Fac Rqmt Committee is aptd consisting of the folg-named Offs:

DETAIL FOR THE COMMITTEE

COL THAYER S OLDS	372A	Hq 40th ADiv
COL CY WILSON	1521A	Hq 508th Ftr-Esc Wg
COL ERNEST B JONES	2005A	508th Periodic Maint Sq
COL JOE R WILLIAMS	3403A	Hq 40th ADiv
COL JOHN J EASTON	4051A	Hq 811th AB Gp
COL GERALD W JOHNSON	8671A	Hq 508th Ftr-Esc Wg
LT COL FRED L HOUCK	A0281155	Hq 811th AB Gp
MAJOR HENRY C KELLEY	A0568868	Hq 811th AB Gp
CAPT FRANK D FURLOW	A01117792	Hq 811th AB Gp
LT COL JOHN L WRIGHT	A0424787	Hq 811th AB Gp
LT COL CHESTER M CAMPBELL JR	7632A	Hq 811th AB Gp
MAJ WILLIAM C GREEN JR	A0452878	508th Med Gp
MAJ ROBERT T FORREST	A0364029	811th Opr Sq.

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4. IAW S.C Reg 62-20 a Fly Safety Committee is aptd consisting of the folg-named Offs:

DETAIL FOR COMMITTEE

COL THAMER S OIDS	372A	Hq 40th ADiv	(Pres)
COL CY WILSON	1521A	Hq 508th Ftr-Esc Wg	(Alternate Pres)
COL DAVID C SCHILLING	4450A	Hq 31st Ftr-Esc Wg	
COL ROBERT P MONTGOMERY	4174A	Hq 40th ADiv	
LT COL JOHN L WRIGHT	A0424787	Hq 811th AB Gp	
LT COL ALBERT W VANSICKLE	19128A	Hq 31st Ftr-Esc Wg	(Med)
MAJ FRANK W. KLIBBE	1534?A	Hq 31st Ftr-Esc Wg	
CAPT THOMAS W CANNON JR	A0667651	811th Opr Sq	(Recorder).

5. VOCO dts shown authg folg-named amn orgns indicated Turner AFB Albany Ga to rat separately fr their orgn and reside off base are cfnd, exigencies of the sv having been such as to preclude the issuance of competent written orders in adv, all dts 1952:

		DT
M SGT JAMES F WOOTEN AF6973577	Hq 508th Ftr-Esc Wg	6 Aug
M SGT WILLIAM K ROBERTS AF13109707	Hq 508th Ftr-Esc Wg	11 Aug
A/1C JAMES A WYATT AF34088527	811th Instl Sq	8 Aug
A/3C JOSEPH R HALES AF14455560	811th Instl Sq	9 Aug
A/2C EVERETT W QUINN AF34831441	811th Opr Sq	12 Aug
A/3C EDWIN L BURTON AF14469771	811th Instl Sq	23 Jul.

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BY ORDER OF COLONEL EASTON:

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HEADQUARTERS 811TH AIR BASE GROUP
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

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6. VOCO 13 Aug 52 granting T SGT THOMAS H HIGHTOWER AF34119074 811th Instl Sq Turner AFB Albany Ga ten (10) days lv of absence eff 13 Aug 52 are cfmd, exigencies of the sv having been such as to preclude the issuance of competent written orders in adv.

7. A/B CLAUDE O HARDY AF34058902 811th Mtr Veh Sq Turner AFB Albany Ga is granted seven (7) days lv of absence eff c/a 20 Aug 52.

8. VOCO 11 Aug 52 aptg MAJ JOHN J SMITH A0799662 Hq 811th AB Gp Custodian of Turner Arm Living Improvement Fund (Sp Welfare Fund)(Add Dy) are cfmd, exigencies of the sv having been such as to preclude the issuance of competent written orders in adv.

9. M SGT FRANK A BOWEN AF14062629 811th Sup Sq Turner AFB Albany Ga is granted five (5) days emergency lv of absence eff c/a 15 Aug 52.

10. Par 3 SO 33 this Hq as relating to Sep rations of A/B ROBERT L WEBB AF24758026 Hq 811th AB Gp is revoked.

11. 2D LT EUGENE W LAVAT AO2244670 811th Instl Sq Turner AFB Albany Ga is apt'd Class A Paying Agent to 1ST LT VINCENT J CAHILL AO973316 Disg O for the purpose of paying trps of 811th Instl Sq for the month of Aug 52.

BY ORDER OF COLONEL EASTON:

OFFICIAL:

EDMOND L. FONTIN
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THOMAS M. MacGLOTHLIN
2d Lt., USAF
Asst. Adjutant

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EXHIBIT 9

Col. Schilling Praises Men In Letter to Colonel Olds

EDITOR'S NOTE—The following is an extract of a letter from Col. David Schilling, CO of the 31st Fighter-Escort Wing in Japan, to Col. Thayer S. Olds, 40th Air Division Commanding Officer:

"I think. . .everyone is a little startled by the business-like manner in which we arrived and set up operations (here). We are now painting the interior of the airmen's barracks to make them a little more homey. I cannot give enough praise to our enlisted support teams. I have never seen airmen work so tirelessly in my life. The vast majority of them never saw a bed for seventy-two hours. I will never be able to adequately repay them. Friday night, the officers are giving a party for the airmen at the Beach Club, which is nothing but a large shack about a mile from the base on the shore of the lake just to the north of the base. It is our intention to sit all the maintenance officers and key non-coms at the head table, and all the pilots who flew the mission will be the waiters—yours truly will be headwaiter, naturally. In general, moral is very high and the men are proud of their organization.

Tell everyone hello for me, and that things are going fine."

EXHIBIT 10

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500 LIFE MEMBERSHIPS SOLD AS DRIVE ENDS; BASE TOPS AF RECORD

Percentage-Wise, Weather Det. First Followed By Motor Vehicle and Supply; MV Unit Had Highest Total With 148

Busy project officers and key non-coms worked overtime again this week, adding to the ever mounting total of life memberships in the Turner's 1952 Air Force Aid Society Drive. Since last week's total was published, 78 new names have been added to the rolls of lifetime members of the AFAS.

This latest figure boosted Turner's number of "lifers" to 500, the hoped-for goal which is the equivalent of $25,000 in life memberships alone.

Turner has set a record, or number of records, to be proud of. The base boasts the largest number of life memberships ever sold at any Air Force base and the highest number in any squadron in the Air Force (Motor Vehicle Squadron with 148).

TOPPING THE LIST of squadrons, figuring on a percentage basis, is the 26-3 Weather detachment. Headed by Maj. James W. McCreary and T. Sgt. Richard Hooten, the small unit of only 17 men has pledged 10 life memberships for 59 per cent participation as lifers.

Two other squadrons also shot over the 50 per cent mark of life members. Capt. William V. Favor's 811th Motor Vehicle, with the largest number of life members, with 56 per cent. Key non-coms boosting the Air Force Aid Society are M. Sgts. Henry T. West, Tom I. Cook, Richard Braddock and S. Sgt. Audon Cantrell.

Pushing the other two squadrons is the 811th Supply Squadron. Maj. Milford Loeffler's airmen and officers have jumped to within four percentage points of the Weather Detachment with 55 per cent pledged. The major was aided by M. Sgt. Wilfred Poggi and M. Sgt. William F. Nordman.

Complete totals, percentage-wise, are:

	1952 M'ber	Other M'ber	Total	%
Weather Detachment	10	0	10	59%
811th Motor Vehicle	148	0	148	56%
811th Supply	81	0	81	55%
Hqs., 811th Air Base Gp	92	9	101	36%
811th Installations	74	10	84	34%
AACS Detch.	13	0	13	25%
811th Operations	39	3	42	20%
811th Food Service	19	2	21	14%
Mss., 508th FEW	8	3	11	5%
508th Medics	6	2	8	5%
811th Air Police	4	0	4	3%
3944th RBS	1	0	1	2%
	493	29	534	26.5%

Over one out of every four airmen and officers assigned to Turner now belong to the Aid Society. This includes only life members and does not include personnel who have contributed generously to the Society in smaller amounts.

THE BIGGEST JUMP in membership again went to the Motor Vehicle Squadron who reported a gain of 33 new pledges since the list was published last week. Headquarters, 811th Air Base Group and the Supply squadron brought in 12 new members each while the 811th Installations and 811th Food Service pledged five and four respectively.

The Air Base Training Flight of the 811th Operations Squadron reports 100 per cent life membership in their section.

Complete returns for the drive are not yet complete. There are indication sthat the 31st Fighter-Escort Wing donations will also be included in the Turner drive, but no reports have been received at this time.

Drive officials have asked that project officers and non-coms submit their final reports as soon as possible so that a final tabulation may be reported by Fighters In-Formation.

EXHIBIT 11

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Sports Cars to Race On Turner Runways; Event Set Oct. 26th

Officials of Turner Air Force Base and the Sports Car Club of America announced yesterday that plans are well advanced to stage the first annual Sowega (Southwest Georgia) National Sports Car Races October 26 at Turner Air Force Base.

The Sports Car Club of America is in the process of promoting the planning and execution of the races.

Officials of the SCCA who visited Turner recently considered the four and a half mile track layout on the Turner Base Taxi strips, runways and parking aprons ideal for sports car racing. They were particularly impressed with the safety features; a 9,200 foot straight-away, and the ideal short runs and sharp turns of the track.

All drivers participating in the Sowega races are amateurs. Their sports cars range from the MG to the Jaguar, Cunningham and Ferrari Americas. It is expected cars will reach 150 mph. speeds since the track layout on Turner AFB is exceptionally fast, especially down the long straight-away. Tentative plans call for two 50-mile races and a four-hour race for various sports car categories.

Turner officials said proceeds from the races will be used to support the Airmen's Living Improvement Fund, the Air Force Aid Society and the Dougherty Public Solicitations Incorporated.

More than 75,000 spectators turned out to see two sports car races held in Vero Beach and Sebring, Fla., and a large attendance is expected at the Turner races.

In the recent Sebring races, known as the International Grand Prix, thirty-two of the world's foremost sports cars competed during a twelve hour test. It was the first International Endurance Race to be staged in the United States. The race was run off without a single accident and was met with spontaneous acclaim from "veteran spectators" and those witnessing a sports car race for the first time.

SPORTS CAR RACING in the South is comparatively new and the success of the Sowega National Sports Car Races should further instill spectators and participant interest in sports car racing.

EXHIBIT 12

Sale Of Race Tickets Starts

Ducats Will Be Distributed on Pay Day; Big Prizes Planned For Those Selling Most

A gigantic solicitation campaign for the Sowega National Sports Car Races to be held on the Turner runway, October 26, will open Tuesday, September 2 when tickets will be distributed to all Turner personnel.

Tickets tables will be set up beside each squadron pay table at which ticket books will be distributed and recorded. The over-all campaign within the squadrons will be directed by project officers appointed by the squadron commanders.

PLANS FOR INDIVIDUAL and squadron prizes are already in the mill. Tentatively, the plans call for prizes to be awarded to:

1. The individual selling the most tickets;
2. The individual selling the most within his own squadron, exclusive of the over-all champion;
3. The squadron selling the most tickets;
4. The squadron which contributes the most toward the success of the project.

THE PRIZE LIST will be announced in the near future. Race car officials indicate they will be eye-poppers.

Eighty per cent of the donations will go to the Turner AFB Airmen's Living Improvement Fund. The remainder will go to the Air Force Aid Society and the Dougherty Solicitations Inc., the local Red Feather agency.

Each donation will cost $1 and will give the buyer one chance on each of the three prize cars—a four-door 1952 Cadillac sedan, a 1952 Ford Crestline hardtop and a 1952 English MG sport car.

A SPECIAL PACKAGE deal of three contributions to the Airmen's Living Improvement Fund will give the buyer nine chances to win one of the cars, plus a pass to see the event. General admission tickets, which do not give the donor a chance on the cars, are $1.25 each.

Under the direction of Capt. Frank A. Gheesling, head of the ticket distribution section of the race car headquarters, special teams are being formed to make state-wide solicitation tours. The teams will also contact other airbases throughout the area.

Approximately 100 drivers from all parts of the United States will converge on Turner for the racing events, according to Capt. George Huntoon, CAP, of Everglades, Fla., an official of the Sports Car Club of America.

SUCH WELL-KNOWN sports car drivers as Briggs Cunningham, John Fitch, Phil Walters, Charles Moran and Bill Spear have already indicated their intentions to participate in the Sowega races. These men and many other top-flight drivers will race the glamour cars of the sports car world, including the Cunningham, Jaguar, Allard, Ferrari, MG, and other famous makes.

The event calls for the running of two 50-mile springs in the morning and a four-hour endurance contest in the afternoon. The latter race will pit the lower speeds but greater maneuverability of the smaller sports cars, such as the MGs, against the more powerful Ferraris, Cunninghams and Jaguars.

EXHIBIT 13

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Capt. to Aid Race Planning

Capt. George Huntoon, CAP, of Everglades, Fla., representing the Sports Car Club of America, met with base officials Thursday to further the planning of the Sowega National Sports Car Races to be run at Turner on Oct. 26.

IN ADDITION to providing technical information as to the staging of the event, Capt. Huntoon indicated certain activities necessary to the smooth and safe handling of the event. Acting upon his advice, members of the committee began at once to proceed with more detailed planning.

Accompanied by Col. Thayer S. Olds, commanding officer, 40th Air Division, Col. John Easton, commanding officer, Turner AFB, and Lt. Col. Fred L. Houck, Personnel services officer and assistant project officer for the event, and Lt. James C. Hamlett, of Tampa, Fla., Capt. Huntoon made a personal inspection of the race course, advising on the location of starting and finish lines, bleachers, pits, and other physical aspects of the course.

Plans were also made for the handling of the crowd anticipated for the event.

Capt. Huntoon estimated that at least 60 drivers from all parts of the nation will take part in the three races scheduled.

THE MORNING EVENTS will consist of two 50-mile races for different classes of cars, while the afternoon will be devoted to a four-hour race over the 4.3 mile closed course.

Proceeds of the event will go to the Turner Airmen's Living Improvement Fund, the Air Force Aid Society, and the Dougherty Fund Solicitations, Inc., the local Red Feather agency.

Col. Olds expressed his satisfaction with the progress made at the meeting, and stated that he anticipated excellent results for the objectives of the activity.

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Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

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1st Lt., USAF
Historical Officer

THAYER S. OLDS
Colonel, USAF
Commanding

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CHRONOLOGY

1 September 1952 - Major Harry P. Wagner was appointed Staff Operations Officer, 40th Air Division. 1/

5 September 1952 - Colonel Harvey C. Dorney, Chief of Staff, Second Air Force, visited the base. 2/

7 September 1952 - Division Commander departed for Camp Carson, Colorado to attend Senior Officers Security Conference. 3/

8 September 1952 - Colonel Robert P. Montgomery assumed command during temporary absence of Colonel Olds. 4/

9 September 1952 - Division Executive attended meeting at Headquarters Second Air Force on FY 54 construction budget. 5/

14 September 1952 - Division Executive departed for Dover, Deleware to attend MTD training in F-84G type aircraft. 6/

1/ PAM 53, par 11, Hq 811th ABG, dtd 15 Sept 52. (See Exhibit 1.)

2/ Photograph - Col. Dorney and Col. Olds. (See Exhibit 2.)

3/ SO 214, par 21, Hq 40th Air Div, dtd 8 Sept 52. (On file, Hq 40th Air Div, Turner AFB, Ga.)

4/ GO 27, Hq 40th Air Div, dtd 9 Sept 52. (See Exhibit 3.)

5/ SO 211, par 38, Hq 40th Air Div, dtd 4 Sept 52. (On file, Hq 40th Air Div, Turner AFB, Ga.)

6/ SO 218, par 9, Hq 40th Air Div, dtd 19 Sept 52. (On file, Hq 40th Air Div, Turner AFB, Ga.)

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17 September 1952 - First Lieutenant Joseph E. Zuro appointed Assistant Adjutant General for purpose of authenticating 40th Air Division orders, publications, TWXs, and routine correspondence. 7/

19 September 1952 - Division Commander departed for Watkins Glen, New York for sports car races there on 20 September, in interest of forthcoming Sowega National Sports Car Races at Turner Air Force Base on 26 October.

Colonel Joe R. Williams assumed command of the 40th Air Division during temporary absence of Colonel Olds. 8/

22 September 1952 - Staff Operations Officer departed for Omaha, Nebraska to attend aircraft accident prevention conference at Headquarters Strategic Air Command. 9/

7/ SO 222, par 10, Hq 40th Air Div, dtd 17 Sept 52. (On file, Hq 40th Air Div, Turner AFB, Ga.)

8/ GO 29, Hq 40th Air Div, dtd 19 Sept 52. (See Exhibit No. 4)

9/ SO 223, par 14, Hq 40th Air Div, dtd 18 Sept 52. (On file, Hq 40th Air Div, Turner AFB, Ga.)

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I - ORGANIZATION AND ADMINISTRATION

The appointment of Major Harry P. Wagner as Staff Operations Officer was the only change in the Division Commander's staff during this reporting period.

First Lieutenant Joseph E. Zuro was appointed Assistant Adjutant General (additional duty) to authenticate 40th Air Division orders, publications and routine correspondence.

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II - OPERATIONS AND TRAINING

The Division Commander initiated a letter to the Commanding General, Second Air Force early this month stressing the need for a F-84G Mobile Training Detachment at this base to train pilots and maintenance personnel of the 508th Fighter-Escort Wing.10/

An extensive training plan was set forth this month for all newly assigned second lieutenants. The scope of this plan was for all second lieutenants to receive a complete ground familiarization with the T-33 trainer and from one to four rides in this aircraft, depending upon the individual pilot's needs, to acquaint these new pilots with Jet aircraft and the local flying area, an attendance by these second lieutenants of a thorough Mobile Training Unit on the F-84G, and, with the completion of this Mobile Training Unit, day and night check-outs in the F-84G.

Nineteen new pilots of the 508th Wing completed the Mobile Training Unit schedule at Dover, Deleware,this month, along with Colonel Joe R. Williams, Division Executive.

10/ Ltr, Hq 40th Air Div, file DOP, Subj: Requirement for F-84G Mobile Training Detachment. (See Exhibit No. 5)

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III - SPECIAL PROJECTS

SOWEGA NATIONAL SPORTS CAR RACES

Four possible objectives for expenditures of profits from the Sowega National Sports Car Races, to be held at Turner Air Force Base October 26th, and the solicitation campaign for donations to the airmen's living improvement fund, were announced this month by Colonel Olds, Division Commander.

They are: (1) An Airmen's Club, (2) Procurement of inner spring mattresses for airmen's living quarters, (3) Furniture and equipment for squadron day rooms, and (4) Bedside tables and lamps for airmen's living quarters.

The above objectives were among a number of suggestions screened by a committee of officers and airmen. Colonel Olds emphasized in his announcement that the overall objective of the solicitation drive is the improvement of all airmen's living conditions on this station.

Turner Sports Car Race officials announced the prize list this month for the top salesmen among individuals and squadrons selling the most tickets.

A week in Nassau for two, including commercial air passage, with all expenses paid, and an extra $100 will be the prize awarded the airman securing the largest number of donations for the Turner Airmen's Living Improvement Fund.

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The second-place winner will be awarded a week in Miami for two, including commercial air travel, plus $100 spending money.

The third-place winner will receive a 17-inch table model television set.

A prize will also be awarded the squadron securing the highest number of donations, percentage-wise, during the drive.

On 2 September Mr. Phil Stiles of West Palm Beach, Florida and a prominent member of the Sports Car Club of America, tried out the Turner runways in his Jaguar sports car which he will enter in the races here. 11/

The races will draw nationally famous amateur drivers from all parts of the country. Famous cars as the Cunningham, Ferrari, Jaguar, Siata, Simca and other noted domestic and foreign makes will compete in the Sowega National Sports Car Races on 26 October.

11/ Photographs - Col Olds and Mr. Phil Stiles - trial demonstration. (See Exhibit No. 6)

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AIR FORCE AID SOCIETY DRIVE

The 1952 Air Force Aid Society Drive, including life memberships and cash contributions, was concluded on 1 September. A final count of all the money pledged and contributed by Turner personnel totalled $26,914.50. The base averaged $14.88 per man -- nearly twice the amount contributed per man in the 1951 drive. 12/

This base led all Air Force bases in the number of life memberships sold, with 513 men pledged as lifetime members of the Aid Society. Turner more than doubled the number of life memberships sold over last year's campaign, with fewer personnel.

Ten percent of the money collected from the Sowega National Sports Car Races will be used to increase the funds of the Turner chapter of the Air Force Aid Society.

12/ Interview with Major Harry A. Mintz, project officer.

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IV - ROSTER OF KEY PERSONNEL

Colonel Thayer S. Olds	Division Commander
Colonel Joe R. Williams	Director of Materiel (Prim dy) Executive Officer (Add dy)
Colonel Jeremiah A. Chase	Director of Personnel
Colonel Robert P. Montgomery	Director of Operations
Major Harry P. Wagner	Staff Operations Officer

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APPENDIX

HEADQUARTERS, 811TH AIR BASE GROUP
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

PERSONNEL ACTION MEMORANDUM) 15 September 1952

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11. IAW AFR 35-391, AFM 36-1 and AFL 36-1, Major HARRY P WAGNER, AO-559452, Headquarters, 40th Air Division, this sta, is awarded AFSC 1411 and is asgd duty of Staff Operations Officer (1411) effective as of 1 September 1952. AFSC 1411 will be designated as Officer's Primary AFSC. AFSC 1435 will be retained as an additional AFSC.

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BY ORDER OF COLONEL EASTON:

OFFICIAL:

WILLIAM H MILNOR
Major, USAF
Base Personnel Officer

/s/ Calvin C Ray
/t/ CALVIN C RAY
Captain, USAF
Military Personnel Officer

A CERTIFIED TRUE EXTRACT COPY:

JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

EXHIBIT NO. 1

Colonel Harvey C. Dorney, left, chief of staff of Second Air Force, buys a ticket to the 1952 Sowega National Sports Car Races from Colonel Thayer S. Olds, 40th Air Division commander. Colonel Dorney visited Turner AFB on 5 Sept 52.

EXHIBIT NO. 2

HEADQUARTERS 40TH AIR DIVISION
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

GENERAL ORDERS) 8 September 1952

NUMBER 27)

ASSUMPTION OF COMMAND

Pursuant to authority contained in Air Force Regulation 24-1, the undersigned assumes command of the 40th Air Division during the temporary absence of COLONEL THAYER S OLDS 372A.

/s/ Robert P. Montgomery
/t/ ROBERT P. MONTGOMERY
Colonel, USAF
Commanding

A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

Joseph E. Zuro
JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

EXHIBIT NO. 3

HEADQUARTERS 40TH AIR DIVISION
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

GENERAL ORDERS)

NUMBER 29)

19 September 1952

ASSUMPTION OF COMMAND

Pursuant to authority contained in Air Force Regulation 24-1, the undersigned assumes command of the 40th Air Division vice COLONEL GERALD W JOHNSON 8671A during the temporary absence of COLONEL THAYER S OIDS 372A.

/s/ Joe R. Williams
/t/ JOE R. WILLIAMS
Colonel, USAF
Commanding

A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

Joseph E Zuro

JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

EXHIBIT NO. 4

HEADQUARTERS 40TH AIR DIVISION
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

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SUBJECT: Requirement for F-84G Mobile Training Detachment

TO: Commanding General
Second Air Force
Barksdale Air Force Base, La.

1. An immediate requirement exists at this station for a F-84G Mobile Training Detachment to be utilized in the training of pilots and maintenance personnel of the 508th Fighter Escort Wing.

2. Approximately seventy-five (75%) of the two hundred and fifty (250) maintenance personnel presently assigned to the 508th Fighter Escort Wing are in the one (1) and three (3) skill level. The daily input of maintenance personnel is also of the same percentage of skill levels and with little or no practical maintenance experience on the F-84G aircraft or the J35-A29 engine.

3. Forty-six (46) pilots are presently assigned, however, twenty-four (24) have no experience in tactical jet aircraft. Of the twenty-two (22) F-84 pilots assigned, the majority are either not combat ready or are not currently proficient in the F-84G aircraft.

4. Due to the above situation, it is urgently requested that a F-84G Mobile Training Unit be dispatched to this station in sufficient time to enable a training schedule to commence on or about 10 September 1952.

/s/ Thayer S. Olds
/t/ THAYER S. OLDS
Colonel, USAF
Commanding

A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

EXHIBIT NO. 5

Col. Thayer S. Olds, 40th Air Div CO, and Mr. Phil Stiles, of Palm Beach, Fla, get set for the trial demonstration of Mr. Stiles Jaguar sports car on the Turner flight line. BOTTOM PHOTO: The sleek British made sports car gains speed in front of hundreds of Turner spectators as it flashes down the runways. Mr. Stiles, veteran sports car driver, hit 142 miles an hour on the 4.5 mile course over which the Sowega National Sports Car Races will be held Sunday, October 26.

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TURNER AIR FORCE BASE, ALBANY, GEORGIA

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(STRATEGIC AIR COMMAND)

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JOSEPH E. ZURO
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Historical Officer

JOHN J. EASTON
Colonel, USAF
Base Commander

THAYER S. OLDS
Colonel, USAF
40th Air Division
Commander

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5 - 12 October 1952	-	Lt. Col. Chester M. Campbell, Base Materiel Officer and Major George Noga attended the annual SAC Base Supply Officers' Conference at Headquarters Strategic Air Command.
6 October 1952	-	2nd Lt. Richard F. McClure was promoted to First Lieutenant.
7 October 1952	-	Savings Bond Campaign was initiated on the base.
8 October 1952	-	Two plane loads of 31st Fighter-Escort Wing personnel returned from ninety days TDY in Japan.
10 October 1952	-	Colonel Easton and Colonel Olds attended meeting in Albany with Albany Armed Services Committee and the City Recreation Department in connection with recreation for Turner servicemen.
20-24 October 1952	-	Mr. Samuel Z. Orgel, Base ground safety director, attended the USAF Ground Safety Conference at the Conrad Hotel, Chicago, Illinois.

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20-24 October 1952 - Mr. Walter Wilson, Civilian Personnel Liaison Officer for Second Air Force, visited the base to coordinate civilian personnel matters.

22 October 1952 - "OPERATION FOX PETER ONE" was completed. The Red Cross Bloodmobile visited the base.

24 October 1952 - General Curtis E. LeMay, CG, Strategic Air Command, arrived at the base to attend the SOWEGA National Sports Car Races.

Lt. Col. Lawrence J. Pickett reported to 40th Air Division and was appointed Staff Operations Officer.

26 October 1952 - The SOWEGA National Sports Car Races were held on the Turner runways. General LeMay awarded the Strategic Air Power trophy to John Fitch of Stamford, Connecticut, winner of the four-hour endurance race.

27 October 1952 - General LeMay returned to Headquarters Strategic Air Command, Offutt AFB, Nebraska.

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27 October 1952 - An F-84-10 Mobile Training Detachment arrived at the base constituting a permanent change of station.

28 October 1952 - First Lieutenant DeWitt Smith, Jr., Base Information Services Officer, relieved from active duty. Replaced by Captain Lawrence O. Savage.

29 October 1952 - A conference was held in the Division War Room to discuss regulations pertaining to flying.

30 October 1952 - Colonel Joe R. Williams relieved as Director of Materiel and appointed Director of Personnel, vice Colonel Jeremiah A. Chase.

31 October 1952 - Major Leaford Bearskin, appointed Staff Transportation and Assistant Base Materiel Officer.

ORGANIZATION AND ADMINISTRATION

I - ORGANIZATION AND ADMINISTRATION

Several changes in the Division Commander's staff took place this month. Colonel Joe P. Williams was relieved as Director of Materiel and appointed Director of Personnel 1/ to replace Colonel Jeremiah A. Chase, who will be relieved from active duty on 2 November 2/. Colonel Chase returned to the base this month with the 31st Fighter-Escort Wing after completing ninety days TDY in the Far East.

Lieutenant Colonel Lawrence J. Pickett reported to 40th Air Division Headquarters from Headquarters AAFCE, Fontainebleau, France to become Operations Staff Officer, under Colonel Robert P. Montgomery. 3/

Orders were published this month confirming verbal orders of the commanding officer on 29 August of the appointment of Major Edmond L. Fortin as 40th Air Division Adjutant General for the purpose of authenticating orders and correspondence. 4/

There were two changes in the Base Commander's staff this month. Major Leaford Bearskin, former commanding officer of the 811th Motor Vehicle Squadron, was appointed Staff Transportation Officer and Assistant Base Materiel Officer upon his return from temporary duty with the 31st Wing in Japan. 5/ Major Bearskin served as commander of the 811th Air Base Group Contingent supporting the Wing.

1/ GO 31, pars 1 and 2, Hq 40th Air Div, dtd 30 Oct 52. (See Exhibit 1)
2/ SO 248, par 25, Hq 40th Air Div, dtd 16 Oct 52. (On file, Hq TAFB).
3/ SO 255, par 12, Hq 40th Air Div, dtd 24 Oct 52. (On file, Hq TAFB).
4/ GO 30, par 1, Hq 40th Air Div, dtd 14 Oct 52. (See Exhibit 2)
5/ PAM 62, Hq 811th AB Gp, dtd May 52. (On file, Hq TAFB.)

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Captain Lawrence O. Savage, former Aircraft Accident Investigation Officer for the 31st Fighter-Escort Wing, was appointed Base Information Services Officer, replacing First Lieutenant DeWitt Smith, Jr., who was released from active duty on 28 October. 6/ Captain Savage also returned this month with the 31st Wing from Japan.

During this month the Division Executive and Base Adjutant began a review of all Division directives, including regulations, to determine whether or not there were any Division directives that should be Base directives. Any Division regulations existing which, under provisions of SAC Manual 20-15, should be Base Regulations will be republished as Base Regulations.

A conference was held in the Division War Room on 29 October to discuss Division, Wing and Air Base Group regulations pertaining to flying. The conferees made recommendations for additions and deletions, as necessary, to better coordinate flying operations for a two wing station.

The Monthly Analysis report for October was suspended by higher headquarters in order to service test the feasibility of submitting the Second Air Force Monthly Management Analysis to Headquarters Strategic Air Command by utilizing SAC Rating System scores, Combat Readiness, T-12 Commanders' Remarks, and Inspector General reports

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6/ PAM 99, par 2, Hq 811th AB Gp, dtd 7 Nov 52. (On file, TAFB.)

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to highlight base and wing problems. 7/ In lieu of the October Monthly Analysis, each organization was requested to submit a report to higher headquarters stating how the Wing and Base Comptrollers utilized the additional time made available by the suspension of the Monthly Analysis; whether or not the suspension of the requirement for the submission of the Monthly Analysis permitted a sufficient increase in field Comptroller services to warrant discontinuing the requirement, and whether or not a Monthly Analysis was prepared for local use. These questions were answered in a report prepared by the Base Comptroller covering the 811th Air Base Group, copy of which is included in the Appendix. 8/

The Management Analysis Section prepared and submitted weekly progress reports of the Air Base Group to the Group and 40th Air Division commanders throughout the month. 9/

7/ Letter, Hq 2AF, file 2AFKD 320, Subj: Suspension of Requirement for Submission of October Monthly Management Analysis, dtd 14 Oct 52. (See Exhibit 3.)

8/ Letter, Base Compt, Subj: Suspension of Requirement for Submission of October Monthly Management Analysis, dtd 8 Nov 52. (See Exhibit 4)

9/ Weekly Progress Reports. (See Exhibits Nos. 5, 6, 7 and 8.)

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PERSONNEL

II - PERSONNEL

The return of the 31st Fighter-Escort Wing this month from Japan brought 303 airmen and 11 officers of the Air Base Group back to their respective organizations and duty assignments. A tabulation, by squadron, of the number of officer and airmen returnees is as follows:

	Officers	Airmen
811th Air Police Squadron	2	84
811th Food Service Squadron	1	68
811th Supply Squadron	0	51
811th Operations Squadron	2	43
811th Motor Vehicle Squadron	1	24
811th Installations Squadron	1	18
Headquarters Squadron Section 811th Air Base Group	4	15

Authority was granted the 40th Air Division to recruit mobilization day personnel in any career field provided the base can administer training in the skill involved and a need will exist for the skill under the expansion program. Rated pilots may be sought in grades of second lieutenant through colonel; non-rated positions may be filled by the following grades: officers -- second lieutenant through colonel; airmen -- airmen first class through master sergeant.

The requests for special tours of active duty, over-age-in-grade waivers and assignment of M-day designees will be forwarded to Headquarters SAC for final approval.

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Scores were received this month from 70, 43, and 64 field tests that were taken on 16 September by airmen of the Air Base Group. Twelve airmen took the test in the 70 career field and three failed to pass; thirty-eight took the test in 43 career field and eight failed to pass, while two airmen took the 64 career field test and passed.

The answer sheets to the 43 field test were sent to Air Materiel Command, Wright-Patterson, Dayton, Ohio for grading; the 64's to Air Training Command, Scott AFB, Illinois, and the 70's were sent to Continental Air Command, Mitchel AFB, New York.

"Operation Smoke-Out," a program designed to get every man doing a job which makes maximum use of his capabilities, was initiated at this base this month. A Classification Progress Report on "Operation Smoke-Out" was prepared by the Personnel Section and forwarded to Second Air Force Headquarters. 10/

The Base Personnel Office was reorganized during this month along the lines of the organizational set-up at Headquarters Second Air Force. Two major divisions were formed through the reorganization -- the Personnel Resource and Development Division and the Military Personnel Division. The former, composed of the Status Branch, Classification Branch and Schools Branch, functions as the planning arm of the office. This division maintains an accurate inventory of personnel resources and advises the Military Personnel Division of organizations which can best furnish personnel to fill current requirements.

10/ Classification Progress Report on "Operation Smoke-Out" (RCS 2AF-PA-SP22. (See Exhibit 9)

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The Military Personnel Division combines all functions formerly performed by the Officers and Airmen Branches and, acting on information furnished by Personnel Resources and Development Division, takes action to complete projects called for by higher headquarters and on-base personnel actions.

Promotions

Seventy-five airmen were promoted within the Air Base Group squadrons on the October airmen's promotion quota.

Second Lieutenant Richard McClure, acting Base Manpower Officer, was promoted to First Lieutenant on 6 October 1952.

Recruiting

There was a total of 12 reenlistments during this month, same as last month.

Headquarters 811th Air Base Group	- 2
811th Air Police Squadron	- 1
811th Food Service Squadron	- 1
811th Installations Squadron	- 2
811th Operations Squadron	- 3
811th Supply Squadron	- 1
Hq Sq 31st Fighter-Escort Wing	- 1
508th Medical Group	- 1

Schools

A total of 27 airmen and six officers departed for various Air Force technical schools this month. A breakdown, by course, is included in the Appendix. 11/

11/ Table of Schools. (See Exhibit 10.)

Strength figures for the Air Base for the month of October were as follows:

	Authorized	Assigned
As of 1 October 1952		
Officers	114	113
Airmen	1741	1923
As of 31 October 1952		
Officers	114	111
Airmen	1741	1911

Strength figures for Headquarters 40th Air Division:

	Authorized	Assigned
1 October 1952		
Officers	10	5
Airmen	7	1
31 October		
Officers	10	6
Airmen	7	1

Civilian Personnel

The Classification and Wage Administration Section of the Civilian Personnel Section completed a survey of the Purchasing and Contracting Office. The remainder of the month was devoted to reviewing job titles, control records and preparing job information for the Classification Division of the Fifth U.S. Civil Service Region. Information was received that all graded jobs at this installation will be audited on or about the first of December by

members of the Classification Division from the Regional Office of the Civil Service Commission. Information concerning this forthcoming audit was disseminated to all sections concerned.

Mr. Walter Wilson, Civilian Personnel Liaison Officer for Second Air Force, visited the base during the period 20-24 October to render staff assistance on personnel matters. Mr. Wilson reviewed the base personnel program in general and offered suggestions for the improvement of some phases of the program.

Ground Safety

The Base Ground Safety Director attended the USAF Ground Safety conference at the Conrad-Hilton Hotel in Chicago, Illinois, during the period 20-24 October 1952. Safety education was discussed as well as the mechanics of staff function as it affected ground safety.

In connection with the Sowega National Sports Car Races, sponsored by the base, Major Willis W. Wood of Headquarters SAC, made a preliminary ground safety survey during the month. The principal items checked were crowd control, fire precautions and protection, smoking controls, flammable liquids controls, safety of spectators, safety of race attendants, location of pits, and plans for bleecher erection. Mr. R. C. McClain, SAC Ground Safety representative, arrived on 22 October and remained through the races. Mr. Ned H. Dearborn, president of the National Safety Council, was the honorary safety director of the Sowega races. Major Wood returned to the base on the day of the races.

The "Summary of Ground Safety Activities" for October, 1952 was forwarded to higher headquarters with the following information included:

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Number of safety meetings held: 85, number of persons attended: military, 7,278; civilian, 150; total, 7,428.

Safety films shown: "Motor Vehicle Operator," 50' film to 900.

Number of inspections: 99 routine and four special.

There were six injuries during the month of October and two motor vehicle accidents. By type, three were due to private motor vehicle operation, and one job injury of a member of the 31st Wing in FEAF, one a barracks injury, and one a sports injury. One vehicle accident occurred on the base and one off base. There were no civilian injuries this month. Non-disabling injuries were as follows:

31st Ftr-Escort Wing	-	2	"on duty"
508th Ftr-Escort Wing	-	7	"on duty" - 3 "off duty"
811th Air Base Group	-	15	"on duty" - 9 "off duty"

This base rated fourth in the final results of Operation Safewheels.

Ground Safety Brief, Volume V, No. 11 and Ground Safety Bulletin, Volume V, No. 10 were published and disseminated to all units on the base as well as higher headquarters. These bulletins contained a "Comparison of Frequency Rates and Costs to Date" and a "Report of Disabling Injuries through October, 1952." 12/

The Executive Ground Safety Council held its regular monthly meeting in the Air Base Group Conference Room on 8 October 1952. Minutes of Executive Ground Safety meeting are included in the Appendix 13/

12/ Ground Safety Brief and Ground Safety Bulletin. (See Exhibits 11 and 12).

13/ Minutes of Ground Safety Meeting. (See Exhibit 13)

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Personal Affairs

The Base Personal Affairs Officer assumed the responsibility for notifying dependents of officers and airmen of the 31st Fighter-Escort Wing as it returned from the history-making trip from Japan this month. Personal Affairs people were notified by the Wing Control Room as soon as a manifest was received from California. The office kept a man on the job in the Control Room and when the list came in, he contacted the dependents of the men on board.

A Savings Bond Campaign was initiated on the 7th of October. Mr. R. G. Riley, deputy director, United States Savings Bond Division, Atlanta, Georgia, contacted the personal affairs officer and, together plans were formulated for campaign procedures. As of the end of the month, 174 of the proposed 857 "Bond Savers" were signed up with the 466th and 467th Fighter-Escort Squadrons leading the base in total bonds sold. The goal for the 508th and 31st Wings is 192 each. Base-wide goal is 857 new Class "B" allotments for United States Defense Bonds to be obtained before the closing date of the campaign which is 7 December.

During the month of October the Turner Chapter, Air Force Aid Society forwarded a check in the amount of $1730.00 through channels to the Chief, Headquarters Unit, Washington, D. C. for payments on Installment Life Memberships which were pledged in the 1952 Air Force Aid Society Membership Campaign.

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Personnel Services

Education

The Base Education Office experienced a better than average record of activity this month. Approximately 60 persons were counseled on educational problems and both the testing program and registration for U.S. Armed Forces Institute Correspondence Courses showed a marked improvement over the normal summer slump. Thirty-six students enrolled during this month for high-school, vocational, and college level correspondence work. Twenty-nine high school GED tests were administered during the same period.

New personnel coming on the base are directed to the Education Office by the Base Classification Section. Many of the airmen coming on the base directly from basic training have low education levels and their value to themselves and to the Air Force can be increased significantly with effort on their part. A special information sheet was devised by which the Base Classification Officer or Chairman of the Classification Board indicate ways in which the man can most improve himself to contribute toward the career field of his interest. This, along with other suggestions, is sent to the Education Office where an appointment is made for the man to be counseled and started in academic work.

The Base Elementary School which began on 8 September 1952 completed its eighth week as of the 31st of October. The last several days of the classes will be devoted to testing in an effort to determine the effectiveness of this last instruction. Part of this testing will be

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the Airman Classification tests. After these tests are graded present scores will be compared with former scores made on similar tests. Since the scores on these tests are very important for classification, there has been much interest shown by the students in preparing for them and improving their scores. This fact has proven to be the single strongest point to encourage airmen to work in the classes.

The College Operation Bootstrap Program with Florida State University is running normally and with much less difficulty than in the former program, due largely to the experience gained in the past. About three fourths of the students have had their records evaluated by the University and a number have received significant credit for military experience and training.

The first of a series of language studies will begin the first week of November. This will consist of instruction in Spanish for which 34 students have been enrolled.

Service Club

With the opening of the football season, each Friday and Saturday have been reserved for football games with coffee and cake being served after the games.

On 1 October the Service Club featured a pay day "Open House" program and on the 2nd of the month the staff from the Cosmopolitan Dance Studio of Albany game dance lessons to the airmen at the Service Club. On the 13th of October, the Service Club featured a "Harvest Dance" and Weiner Roast. The refreshments were served at the Base picnic area and afterwards the airmen and hostesses returned to the

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Service Club for the dance. Seventy-five junior hostesses from Tifton and Albany were present.

On the 25th of October, the MacDill AFB orchestra played for the Sowega Sports Car Dance held at the Service Club. The MacDill Orchestra also played for the regularly scheduled Monday night dance on 27 October which was celebrated as the Halloween Dance.

Sports

The Turner Chapter of the Sportsmen's Club held its last business meeting prior to the election of regular officers and adoption of the club by-laws Tuesday evening, 14 October. The club plans to hold regular elections and vote in the laws on 4 November.

The base dropped its second skeet match of the season, losing to Moody AFB, 470 - 479 at the Base Skeet Range on 5 October. More than 100 spectators watched the match, composed of one Turner team, one from Moody and a third team, composed of both Moody and Turner skeetmen, shooting for individual prizes. Individual high scoring honors went to M/Sgt. Willie B. Worthington of the 811th Operations Squadron, with a total of 99 out of a possible 100. Second place honors went to Major J. K. Dozier of Moody AFB and third place to Captain E. C. Holland of Moody AFB.

The 811th Food Service and 508th Armament and Electronics Squadrons were leading the Turner Intra-mural Touch Football League as of the end of this month.

A pre-season squadron basketball tournament was scheduled for the base, beginning on 3 November. Thirteen squadrons have entered in the competition.

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OPERATIONS AND TRAINING

III - OPERATIONS AND TRAINING

The return of the 31st Fighter-Escort Wing from ninety days temporary duty in Japan was resumed on 8 October when two passenger planes landed at Turner. 14/ The first plane bringing personnel home from Japan landed at Turner on the 26th of September. Key officers, airmen, first sergeants, and chief clerks of squadrons were among the first plane load and it was their responsibility to make ready the buildings and offices for the arrival of the remainder of the wing.

"OPERATION FOX PETER ONE" was completed on 22 October with the arrival of cargo flight 959. All together, there were 32 cargo carriers, each with two men aboard, and 27 passenger that arrived during the period 26 September - 22 October 1952.

Major Joe Patton, communications officer for the 31st Fighter Wing, supervised the project of bringing the 31st "Home." Major Patton was in charge of the Control Room where non-commissioned officers handled incoming manifests and contacted necessary persons. When a transport landed in Los Angeles, Sacramento, San Francisco or Oakland, California, the ranking man on the plane would phone the Turner Control Room. Upon receiving the ETA and manifest, the control personnel contacted the persons involved in receiving the incoming planes.

Warrant Officer William V. Wood of the Wing Materiel Section personally met every cargo plane and supervised the unloading of the

14/ Photographs - 31st Wing personnel upon arrival at Turner from Japan. (See Exhibits 14, 15 and 16.)

supplies into the hangars. One of the NCO's of the Wing Materiel Section was responsible to see that the cargo was distributed to the proper units. The Base Transportation Section furnished nine airmen to assist in the unloading of the cargo aircraft and a special detail of men from Air Installations worked with the non-commissioned officer in charge of the distribution of supplies. Each cargo plane (DC-4) carried approximately 10,000 pounds.

Colonel David C. Schilling, 31st Wing Commander, told "FIGHTERS IN-FORMATION," base newspaper, that the "FOX PETER ONE mission was the most intensive and successful training program he had ever experienced during his Air Force career. 15/

An F-84-10 Mobile Training Detachment arrived at this base on 27 October to train pilots and maintenance personnel of the 508th and 31st Fighter-Escort Wings. This movement constituted a permanent change of station and the unit will be attached to Strategic Air Command for logistic support. 16/ This detachment is manned with technically qualified specialist, especially qualified on F-84 type aircraft. 17/

Two courses will commence on 3 November, consisting of the Mechanics Familiarization Course and Aircrew Familiarization Course for pilots. It was agreed that a minimum of 15 students would attend each class. The 508th Wing will furnish 15 students per class and

15/ Base Newspaper, "Fighters In-Formation," Oct 24th edition. (On file, Hq TAFB.)

16/ Ltr, Dept of the AF, file AFOOp-OC 370.5, Subj: (Uncl) Movement Directive, F-84-10 Det. 3497th Mob Trng Sq. (On file, Hq TAFB)

17/ Ltr, Hq 3497th Mobile Trng Gp, file GA 322, Subj: F-84-10 Mobile Trng Det. dtd 9 Oct 52. (See Exhibit 17)

the 31st Wing will provide an additional five personnel per class strength of approximately 20 students. Classes will be conducted between the hours of 0815 to 1215 A.M. and 1315 to 1715 Monday through Friday. The Mechanics Familiarization Course will comprise a total of 18 working days and the Aircrew Familiarization Course eight working days, each class to be conducted four hours per day.

Upon completion of each course students will be given a final examination and those making satisfactory grades will receive certificates of completion for course attended.

The Operations Section of the Air Division initiated a program this month to review all existing Base and 40th Air Division Regulations as they apply to operations and training. As a result, approximately 10 regulations will have to be rewritten to make them current. A schedule of one revised regulation per week was inaugurated to complete this program. This section also began plans for developing the Division Control Room into a 24-hour key point for the base. Readiness of this for full operation is expected sometime in November or the early part of December.

Air Base Training Flight conducted Atomic-Biological and Chemical training for 271 airmen this month. Thirteen airmen successfully completed a course in Primary Management and 31 airmen qualified for management certificates by passing a written comprehensive examination.

The Range Section of the Air Base Training Flight fired 121 airmen with the U.S. Submachine gun, Caliber .45 during the month of October.

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The Honor Plaque for the best squadron for the month of October went to the 811th Motor Vehicle Squadron. 18/

Base Operations

During the month of October the Base Operations Dispatch Section processed 364 incoming flights, 316 outgoing flights, 12 Round-Robin flights, and 49 local flights which included instrument training flights, operational missions and minimum individual training flights.

Ten instrument checks were given this month, of which seven were for green cards (AF Form 8A) and three were for white cards (AF Form 8). Six of these checks were given in C-47 type aircraft, two in T-33 type aircraft, one in T-6 type aircraft, and one in B-26 type aircraft. These cards were issued to the pilots of the 31st Fighter-Escort Wing, 508th Fighter-Escort Wing, 811th Air Base Group, and the 3944th Radar Bomb Squadron Detachment.

The percentages of AF Regulation 60-2 requirements completed by pilots assigned or attached to Base Flight for flying for the month of October were as follows: (Percentages are based on the maximum of 65 hours proficiency, nine hours night and 10 hours hood and/or weather). Average number of pilots assigned or attached was 27.

Proficiency..... 76%

Night..... 73%

Hood and/or Weather..... 83%

Data on Base Flight aircraft including airplane and flying time for the month of October was as follows:

18/ Photograph - Col. Easton presenting Honor Plaque to Capt. Favor. (See Exhibit 18).

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Airplane Time:

T-6.....	169:15	C-47.....	276:15
T-6		C-47	
Training.....	58:50	Training.....	5:40
Administrative.....	110:25	Administrative.	270:35

Flying Time by Organizations:

T-6		C-47	
Base Flight.....	120:15	Base Flight.....	379:40
466th Ftr-Esc Sq....	0:00	466th Ftr-Esc Sq.....	20:00
467th Ftr-Esc Sq....	12:30	467th Ftr-Esc Sq.....	71:00
468th Ftr-Esc Sq....	:35	468th Ftr-Esc Sq.....	2:15
307th Ftr-Esc Sq....	10:30	307th Ftr-Esc Sq.....	72:25
308th Ftr-Esc Sq....	17:10	308th Ftr-Esc Sq.....	40:45
309th Ftr-Esc Sq....	34:40	309th Ftr-Esc Sq.....	35:20

Total Flying Obtained by Type Aircraft:

T-6.....	195:40	C-47.....	621:35

Instrument Time Obtained in Type Aircraft:

T-6.....	33:10	C-47.....	99:20

Base Communications Center

Due to a change imposed by the 508th Fighter-Escort Wing, the completion of the teletalk system was delayed until the project could be amended and changes forwarded to Warner Robins Air Materiel Area, Robins AFB, Georgia for implementation. A major portion of the teletalk system was installed in the 508th Maintenance Control. The system was approximately 75 percent complete as of the end of the month.

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Physical Conditioning

With the return of the 31st Fighter-Escort Wing and the more fully operational status of the 508th Fighter-Escort Wing, use averages of the Physical Conditioning Unit showed a considerable increase this month. The pilots of these organizations are trained in extensive physical conditioning activities, unarmed self-defense techniques (Judo), passive conditioning, massage, and competitive inter-wing and inter-squadron games.

Treatments:	181 Pilots
	254 Non-rated officers
	135 Airmen
	28 Medical Treatments
	598 TOTAL
Time expended:	539 Hours
	21 Working Days
	25.6 Daily Treatments
	8.6 Pilots/day
	12. Non-rated officers/day
	6.6 Airmen/day
	1.3 Medical Treatments/day
	96.0% Increase over previous month.

Physical conditioning of tactical pilots:

Exercise	Judo
37 Participants	18 Participants
181 Workouts	72 Workouts

Physical conditioning of non-tactical personnel:

Average available strength:	1,737
Total self-supervised hours conditioning training reported.....	20,646
Total hours conditioning as required by 40th AD Reg 50-1.....	24,736

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Physical Conditioning (Cont'd)

Attendance percentage..... 84.3%
Monthly change..... 2.0% overall increase

Forty-one airmen of the 811th Air Police Squadron received diplomas this month for the successful completion of the first course in judo. The graduation program included a demonstration of what the men had learned in the course. Airman 1/C Hugo Smith, a member of the physical conditioning unit staff and a graduate of the nine-week course presented by the Kadokan Institute of Judo in Japan, was the instructor for the course.

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MATERIEL

IV - MATERIEL

During the period 5 - 12 October the Base Materiel Officer and Base Accountable Officer attended the annual SAC Base Supply Conference at Headquarters Strategic Air Command, Offutt Air Force Base Nebraska. 19/ The purpose of this conference was to acquaint each of the Second Air Force activities with the cardex status system and assure standardization at each Second Air Force station.

The Base Supply Office experienced a considerable amount of activity this month. Service Unit No. 4 was transferred to the office formerly occupied by the Quartermaster Office. Along with the movement, Unit 4 was divided into two sections, the new section being called Service Unit No. 5, which is composed of Classes 34A, 34B, 22, 59 and 70. The stock records were assigned to the office formerly occupied by Service Stock No. 4. The moves of Service Units 4 and 5 will result in more efficient operation since they are now located in the same building with the supplies. 20/

The Base Materiel Office inventoried all Class 40A office equipment on the base this month in order to accomplish an equal allocation between the old organizations and the recently established 508th Fighter-Escort Wing.

During the month of October, 44,276 stock records were maintained; a total of 28, 114 line items processed. The supply effectiveness figure was 82 percent. The AOCP percentage was 10.99 and the ANFE per-

19/ SO 234, par 1, Hq 40th Air Div, dtd 30 Sept 52. (On file, Hq TAFB.)

20/ 811th Supply Squadron Hist. Rpt. Oct 52. page 10. (Signed by 2nd Lt. James L. Andrick, Sq. Hist. Off.) (On file, Hq TAFB.)

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Commissary Sales Store

Following is a breakdown of the sales through the Commissary Sales Store for the month of October.

Cash Sales	$35,175.78
Issue to Troops	53,627.90
Collection for Meals	4,550.20

A recent survey showed food prices in the Commissary to be 28 percent less than commercial sources.

Base Exchange

Sales through the Base Exchange amounted to $61,149.79 as compared to $48,831.42 for the month of September.

A Food Supervisor from the Atlanta Regional Office made a routine inspection of the operation of the main snack bar and also discussed the proposed opening of the Operations Snack Bar.

Two temporary full time employees were added to operate the Exchange toy and gift shop, which was opened on the 20th of this month.

Property Disposal

Two sales were completed in the disposal section this month. A small lot was held, which netted $3,411.55. An invitation to bid sales was initiated on scrap metal and rubber, but the total sales return cannot be acquired until after all lots have been picked up, since this sale was on the price per paid basis.

During the month of October scrap copper and brass were shipped to International Minerals and Metal Company, Long Island, New York, as directed in a letter from Warner Robins Air Materiel Area.

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Purchasing and Contracting

There was an increase in the number of formal contracts executed and processed this month. There were seven construction contracts prepared ranging in amounts from $5000 to $46000 each. These contracts were processed as rapidly as possible in securing bonds, Base or Headquarters Second Air Force and/or SAC approvals. Contractors were then given notice to proceed. Three contracts were made and administered for the sale of salvage materials.

Controls of Contractors working on projects are being tightened. Requirements to be met are explained to each Contractor prior to starting work. Samples and descriptions of equipment and material are secured and approved before the Contractor delivers same to job site. Government inspectors assigned these projects report progress being made to the Purchasing and Contracting Office three times each week. From these reports information is secured to see that the Contractor is complying with his intended progress schedule.

The level of Purchase Orders processed remained about the same this month. However, it is noted that the 301 Purchase Orders written in October contained 1321 line items. This is better than an average of four line items for each order. This represents more effective control in combining more items on each order. The SAC average is three line items for each order.

Two Formal Contracts received final approval this month and work was started. Three hundred and one Purchase and/or Delivery Orders were written and 254 documents were completed for payment.

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Air Installations

A list of projects being administered by Air Installations and the Savannah District Engineers and the status of the projects as of the end of the month is included in the Appendix. 21/

21/ List of Projects - Air Installations (See Exhibit 19)

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SPECIAL PROJECTS

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V - SPECIAL PROJECTS

Sowega National Sports Car Races

On the 26th of October the base staged the Sowega National Sports Car Races for the benefit of the Turner Living Improvement Fund. The event attracted approximately 50,000 persons, believed to be the largest crowd in South Georgia Sports' history. 22/

The races drew nationwide attention, attracting 84 drivers from twenty states who raced over a 4.5 course laid out on the Turner runways, parking ramps and taxiing strips. The course was featured by a 9200 ft. straightaway over which several of the cars attained speeds in excess of 160 miles per hour.

The race program consisted of three races -- the Keenan Sowega Trophy Race, a 50-mile sprint for sports cars under 1500 cc. displacement; the M. W. Tift Pioneer Trophy Race, a 50-mile sprint for cars of 1500 cc. and over; and the Strategic Air Power Trophy Race, a four-hour endurance test for cars of all categories. 23/

The Keenan Sowega Trophy Race was won by James Simpson of Chicago, Illinois, in a modified O.S.C.A. with an average speed of 72.9 mph. Second place was taken by A. A. Garthwaite of Conshohocken, Pennsylvania, in a modified O.S.C.A, and third place was won by Robert Salzgaber, of Columbus, Ohio, in a modified MG-TD. The 50-mile M. W. Tift Trophy was won by George Huntoon of Palm Beach, Florida in a Jaguar, XK-120C,

22/ Photograph - Spectators viewing the Sowega Races. (See Exhibit 20)

23/ Photograph - Starting of the first race. (See Exhibit 21)

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at an average speed of 82 mph. J. R. Ensley of Indianapolis, Indiana, in a Cadillac-Allard, won second place. Another Cadillac-Allard, owned by General Curtis E. LeMay, commanding general of Strategic Air Command, and driven by Robert Scott of Dallas, Texas, placed third in this event.

The main event of the day, the four hour Strategic Air Power Trophy Race, was won by John Fitch of Stamford, Connecticut. 24/ Fitch attained an average speed of 85.5 mph in a Cunningham, completing 76 laps for a total of 343 miles. Marshall Lewis of Chicago, Illinois, in a Ferrari took second place only 32.3 seconds behind Fitch. George Huntoon of Palm Beach, Florida placed third overall in his Jaguar, XK-120. During this race, Lewis recorded 168.5 mph down the one and three quarter mile straightaway, which was the speed of the day. Both Huntoon and Fitch attained speeds of more than 160 mph.

The trophies were awarded to the winners by General Curtis E. LeMay at a Victory Barbecue held in Hangar No. 1.25/

The event was assured of national coverage by presence of representatives of the Saturday Evening Post, National Sports Car Magazines, Press Wire Services, and a number of regional newspaper and radio stations. In addition, the races were attended by General Curtis E. LeMay, Major General Joseph H. Atkinson, commanding general of Second Air Force, Arthur Godfrey, radio and television star, Ned E. Dearborn, president of the National Safety Council, who was honorary director of safety for the event, and Joe Lunn of Thomasville, Georgia, 1952 National

24/ Photograph - John Fitch. (See Exhibit 22)

25/ Photograph - General LeMay awarding trophy to Fitch. (See Exhibit 23)

Soap Box Derby winner. 26/ Several "cars of the future," including the Cunningham Continental Coupe and the Nash Healey, were on display.

Air Police, assisted by Albany and Dougherty County police and Georgia Highway patrolmen, directed an estimated 18,000 vehicles on and off the base during the day. 27/ Part of the crowd was seated in 10,000 bleacher seats secured from Fort Benning, Georgia. Most of the spectators, however, viewed the event from designated areas along the course.

Following the races, winners of the Turner Airmen's Living Improvement Fund Solicitation Campaign were announced.

A member of the 811th Operations Squadron, T/Sgt. A. T. Mercer, won first prize in the ticket selling campaign, a one-week all expense-paid trip for two to Nassau, plus $100 in cash. Sgt. Mercer solicited $1,703 during the drive.

Second prize, a similar trip to Miami Beach and $100 in cash, was won by T/Sgt. J. V. Butler, 811th Supply Squadron, who solicited $1,504.

Third prize, a 17-inch table model television set, was won by S/Sgt. T. A. Byrd, 811th Operations Squadron, who solicited $1,005.

The prize for the squadron contributing the most to the success of the solicitation campaign was won by the 811th Supply Squadron, who sold 592 percent of its quota for a total sales of $9,768. Although the 811th Motor Vehicle Squadron had a total sales of $10,287, they totalled only 403 percent of their quota.

26/ Photographs - Genl LeMay and Arthur Godfrey watching races, and Joe Lunn. (See Exhibits 24 and 25.)

27/ Ltr, fr Mr. T. K. Field, Director of National Events, Sports Car Club of America, to Major Johnnie Harlow, Air Provost Marshal, Turner AFB, dtd 28 Oct 52. (See Exhibit 26)

Armed Forces Blood Donor Program

The Red Cross Bloodmobile collected 107 pints of blood from base personnel in the drive on Wednesday, 22 October 1952.

One hundred and 19 volunteers offered their blood in the drive, but 12 were rejected.

Since the program began in November, 1951, the base has collected a total of 2,199 pints.

A breakdown of the squadron donations is as follows:

811th Motor Vehicle Squadron	-	17
Hq 811th Air Base Group	-	15
811th Installations Squadron	-	9
811th Operations Squadron	-	9
811th Air Police Squadron	-	7
811th Food Service Squadron	-	4
31st Armament and Electronics Sq	-	1
307th Ftr-Escort Squadron	-	4
308th Ftr-Escort Squadron	-	2
Hq 508th Ftr-Escort Wing	-	50
508th Medical Group	-	4
508th Field Maintenance	-	4
Civilians	-	6

The next visit of the Red Cross Bloodmobile was scheduled for 21 November, 1952.

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COMMUNITY RELATIONS

VI - COMMUNITY RELATIONS

On 10 October Turner Air Force Base officials attended a meeting in Albany between the Albany Armed Forces Recreation Committee and certain City officials to discuss plans for a recreation program for all service personnel in the Albany area. A meeting of the City Commissioners held on the 14th of October was attended by Mr. Wayne R. Shields, representative from Community Services, Washington, D. C. Colonel Olds, Division Commander, and Colonel Easton, Base Commander, attended as spectators. In the absence of Mr. Fred Mills, chairman of the Albany Armed Forces Recreation Committee, Mr. Shields was called upon to present the committee's plan. He emphasized the need for an experienced recreation worker to work with the City Recreation Department in behalf of all service personnel in the Albany area.

The Albany Methodist Church extended a standing invitation to all Turner airmen to attend the Methodist Church Open House each Tuesday evening. Among the facilities available are free bowling, dancing, games, refreshments, and television.

Officers and airmen of the various squadrons attended civic club luncheon meetings of the Lions, Kiwanis, Rotary, and Exchange Clubs each week throughout the month.

S/Sgt. Paul Anthony addressed the Pelham Rotary Club, Pelham, Georgia and the Men's Sunday School Class of the First Presbyterian Church in Albany on 17 and 21 October, respectively.

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Total news coverage of sports, society, spot news and feature articles published by the Base Newspaper Office in various news media for the month of October was 940 column inches as compared to 404:25 column inches printed during the preceding month. The substantial increase can be attributed to the wide publicity given the Sowega Sports Car Races through various national media.

Fifteen radio broadcasts were conducted this month over Radio Stations WALB and WGPC -- nine by the Information Services Office and six by the Chaplain's Section.

ROSTER OF KEY PERSONNEL

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VII - ROSTER OF KEY PERSONNEL

As of 1 October 1952

40th Air Division Headquarters

Colonel Thayer S. Olds	Division Commander
Colonel Joe R. Williams	Director of Materiel (Prim dy) Executive Officer (Add dy)
Colonel Jeremiah A. Chase	Director of Personnel
Colonel Robert P. Montgomery	Director of Operations
Major Harry P. Wagner	Staff Operations Officer

811th Air Base Group

Colonel John J. Easton	Commanding Officer
Lt. Col. John L. Wright	Deputy Commanding Officer
Major Edmond L. Fortin	Base Adjutant
Lt. Col. Chester M. Campbell	Base Materiel Officer
Major Robert T. Forrest	Base Operations and Training Officer
Major William H. Milnor	Base Personnel Officer
Major Henry C. Kelley	Base Comptroller
2nd Lt. Richard F. McClure	Acting Base Manpower and Organization Officer
Major John S. Dennis	Base Legal Officer
Major Luther W. McArthur	Base Chaplain
1st Lt. DeWitt Smith, Jr.	Base Information Services Officer
Major Robert T. Forrest	CO, 811th Operations Squadron
Major Johnnie P. Harlow	CO, 811th Air Police Squadron and Air Provost Marshal

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Major Melford Loeffler	CO, 811th Supply Squadron
Major George Noga	Base Accountable Officer
Captain William V. Favor	CO, 811th Motor Vehicle Squadron
Captain Frank D. Furlow	CO, 811th Installations Squadron
Captain Charles W. McRae	CO, 811th Food Service Squadron
Captain Joseph G. Guggino	CO, Headquarters Squadron Section, 811th Air Base Group

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As of 31 October 1952

Air Division

Colonel Thayer S. Olds	Division Commander
Colonel Joe R. Williams	Director of Personnel (Prim dy) Executive Officer (Add dy)
Colonel Robert P. Montgomery	Director of Operations
Lt. Col. Lawrence J. Pickett 28/	Operations Staff Officer
Major Harry P. Wagner	Operations Staff Officer

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28/ Photograph - Lt. Col. Pickett. (See Exhibit 27)

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Major Henry C. Kelley	Base Comptroller
1st Lt. Richard F. McClure	Acting Base Manpower and Organization Officer.
Major John S. Dennis	Base Legal Officer
Major Luther W. McArthur	Base Chaplain
Captain Lawrence O. Savage 29/	Base Information Services Officer
Major Robert T. Forrest	CO, 811th Operations Squadron
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29/ Photograph of Capt. Savage. (See Exhibit 28)

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811th Operations Squadron
811th Food Service Squadron
811th Installations Squadron
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APPENDIX

HEADQUARTERS 40TH AIR DIVISION
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

GENERAL ORDERS)
NUMBER 31)

30 October 1952

1. Announcement is made of the relief of COLONEL JOE R WILLIAMS 3403A Headquarters 40th Air Division as Director of Material.

2. Announcement is made of the appointment of COLONEL JOE R WILLIAMS 3403A Headquarters 40th Air Division as Director of Personnel effective 30 October 1952 vice COLONEL JEREMIAH A CHASE A03044792.

BY ORDER OF COLONEL OLDS:

OFFICIAL:

EDMOND L. FORTIN
Major, USAF
Adjutant General

JOSEPH E. ZUNO
1st Lt., USAF
Asst. Adjutant General

DISTRIBUTION:
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2 Sq CO concerned
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20 CO 508th FE Wg
30 CO 811th AF Gp
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EXHIBIT NO. 1

HEADQUARTERS 40TH AIR DIVISION
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

14 October 1952

GENERAL ORDERS)
NUMBER 30)

1. Verbal orders commanding officer 29 August 1952 appointing MAJOR EDMOND L. FORTIN, A0574612, Headquarters 811th Air Base Group, 40th Air Division Adjutant General for the purpose of authenticating orders, correspondence et cetera only are confirmed, exigencies of the service having been such as to preclude the issuance of competent written orders in advance. (Authority: Second Air Force Regulation 11-3.)

BY ORDER OF COLONEL OLDS:

EDMOND L. FORTIN
Major, USAF
Adjutant General

OFFICIAL:

Edmond L. Fortin

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Major, USAF
Adjutant General

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Exhibt No. 2

HEADQUARTERS
SECOND AIR FORCE
Barksdale Air Force Base, La.

2AFKD 320 14 October 1952

SUBJECT: Suspension of Requirement for Submission of October Monthly Management Analysis

TO: Commanding Officer
40th Air Division
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

1. Reference Second Air Force Regulation 170-2, dated 1 April 1952. The requirement to submit an October Monthly Analysis, due in this headquarters 10 November 1952, is suspended. Unless otherwise notified, all organizations will be required to submit an analysis for November 1952 and subsequent months.

2. This headquarters desires to service test the feasibility of submitting the Second Air Force Monthly Management Analysis to Headquarters Strategic Air Command by utilizing reports other than the units' Monthly Management Analyses. SAC Rating System scores, Combat Readiness, T-12 Commanders' Remarks, and Inspector General reports will be utilized to highlight base and wing problems. To assure review of problems and headquarters action on them, it will be necessary for each organization to emphasize adequate coverage of its problems in these other reports.

3. This headquarters intends to publish "Action" for the month of October by using problems obtained from the above cited reports.

4. In place of the suspended analysis, each organization will submit a report answering the following questions:

a. Does the suspension of the requirement for the submission of the Monthly Analysis permit a sufficient increase in field Comptroller services to warrant discontinuing the requirement?

b. How did the Comptroller utilize the additional time made available by the suspension, e.g. what additional services were provided commanders in lieu of the Monthly Analysis?

c. Was a Monthly Analysis prepared for local command use?

EXHIBIT NO. 3

2AFKD 320, Subj: Suspension of Requirement for Submission of October Monthly Management Analysis

5. The report required by paragraph 4, above, will be submitted to this headquarters in one copy, to arrive no later than 10 November 1952. Reports Control Symbol 2AF-CO-M1 is assigned.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL ATKINSON:

/s/ Charles B. Palmer
/t/ CHARLES B. PALMER
WOJG, USAF
Asst. Adjutant General

A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

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HEADQUARTERS 40th AIR DIVISION
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

BASE COMPT 320 8 November 1952

SUBJECT: Suspension of Requirement for Submission of October Monthly Management Analysis (2AF-CO-M1)

TO: Commanding General
Second Air Force
Barksdale Air Force Base
Louisiana

1. Reference letter, Headquarters Second Air Force, file 2AFKD 320, subject as above, dated 14 October 1952, the following information requested in paragraph 4 is submitted for the 811th Air Base Group.

a. The suspension of the Monthly Analysis created approximately ten (10) man hours at this installation which could be utilized on other projects.

b. For this particular month the known requirements for the submission of the Monthly Analysis permitted the Comptroller to send the Management Analysis Officer to the University of North Carolina on a project for the Base Commander. This project would have otherwise been deferred.

c. A monthly analysis as such was not prepared for local use. However, it is the practice with the Air Base Group to prepare weekly analyses for local command use. These analyses serve as a basis for the monthly analysis and were prepared.

2. Inasmuch as the same reports will be utilized in the preparation of the Monthly Analysis either at this level or numbered Air Force level, it is believed that the project to eliminate the requirements from this base is most worthwhile. When a trouble area is discovered and pin pointed out in ACTION, the interested staff agencies at this level can carry the ball from there.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

/s/ Philip A. Hurley
/t/ PHILIP A. HURLEY
Capt., USAF
Asst Adjutant

A TRUE COPY:

JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

EXHIBIT NO. 4

HEADQUARTERS 811TH AIR BASE GROUP
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

BASE COMPT 8 October 1952

SUBJECT: Weekly Progress Report

TO: Commanding Officer
40th Air Division
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

1. The following report on the progress of the 811th Air Base Group for the week ending 5 October 1952 is submitted for your consideration.

a. Personnel

(1)

	Asgd 28 Sep	Asgd 5 Oct	Auth	% Manned
Officers	108	109	114	95.6
Airmen	1947	1916	1741	110.00

(2) Base Personnel reports that as of the week ending 5 October 1952 there were 65 airmen and 1 officer classified.

(3) 62 Actions were submitted for classification; these 62 were classified.

(4) 2 airmen who were carry-over from the previous week were classified.

(5) One reenlistee was classified. A man being discharged from the United States Air Force is given 30 days in which to decide whether or not he wants to remain in the service. If he does reenlist within this 30 day period, he is guaranteed of retaining his present rank and AFSC.

(6) One officer was classified. He received a change in primary AFSC.

(7) The reported backlog for the past week is negative.

(8) For the week ending 5 October 1952 there was a total of 6 AWOL's reported for the 811th Air Base Group. For the same period last month 3 AWOL's were reported. There is an increase of 100% for this period over the same period for last month. This is not a good condition and should be curbed. However, it is a decrease of .14 over last week's AWOL number.

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Training (Cont'd)

Type Training	Percent Scheduled	Percent Completed
(a) Management Training	75	52
(b) Use and Care of Personnel Equipment	50	97
(c) Emergency Procedures Training	50	92
(d) ABC Defense Training Annex 1 outlines training for special details of equipment and personnel decontamination, anti-incendiary, anti-radiation, rescue and emergency teams	75	0
(e) Skeet	50	N/A
(f) Code Training	50	28
(g) Aquatic Training	75	55
(h) Instrument School	75	95
(i) Medical Training	75	86
(j) Physical Fitness	100	99
(k) Basic Survival Training	50	46
(l) Operation and Movement of A/C on the Ground	75	94
(m) Security	75	95

(2) Personnel Management training is now being accomplished on an accelerated schedule. This training should be completed by the end of this year.

(3) Code training was started during September. Other classes are being planned.

(4) ABC Defense training was not completed because of lack of qualified instructors.

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(5) The VOCP rate for the period ending 2 October 1952 is 1.2% which is a 2% decrease from the previous reporting period r ate.

The percent VOCM for the same period is 1.1% which is a decrease of .1% from the VOCM rate of the last reporting period.

The percent VOC for this period is 2.3 which is a decrease of .4% from the VOC rate of the last reporting period.

N.B. The above percentages are computed by dividing the number of days lost VOCP or VOCM by the mumber of days available. To compute the number of days available, multiply the number of days in the reporting period by the number of vehicles currently in service.

c. The SAC Primary Production rate for the 811th Air Base Group as of 5 October 1952 was 87.4% of potential man hours which is above the SAC minimum of 82%. When the non-primary useful time is added to the total, the Air Base Group has a rate of 94.0 which is an increase of 4% over last week's rate. This is also an increase over last month for the same period which was 92.5%. This is a good condition. This increase can be said to be due to a large decrease in number of personnel going on leave.

d. Information and Education.

(1) The I & E Office disclosed that for the week ending 5 October 1951, there has been no major change in the Florida State University Training Program which is being conducted on this base. The attendance has been excellent and the students are meeting with the instructor's approval.

(2) I & E still plans to conduct a language class for the purpose of teaching Spanish and they are still t aking enrollments. They would like to have at least 30 enrollments before actually starting the class. This will be purely under the direction of the I & E department.

e. Training

(1) Monthly Report of Ground Training Accomplishments.

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The following table illustrates the distribution of the reported AWOL's for the past week.

Squadron	AWOL
811th Installations	1
811th Supply	1
811th Motor Vehicle	1
811th Food Service	3

The 811th Food Service Squadron has had the largest number of AWOL's in the 811th Air Base Group for the past four weeks. This is a bad trend and it is predicted that it will continue if something is not done to alleviate this critical situation.

b. Materiel

(1) The AOCP rate for Turner Air Force Base during the past week was 1.1%. This is a decrease of 5.1% under last month's rate during the same period. This is the lowest rate we have had at Turner Air Force Base since 24 July 1952 at which time it was 0%. This is a good condition.

(2) There were 3 ANFE reported during the past week. This rate has decreased.

(3) The following table illustrates the distribution of the AOCP and ANFE with respect to total number of line items needed during the past week.

Date	Total AOCP	Line Items Needed	Total ANFE	Line Items Needed
29 Sept 52	5	28	1	2
30 Sept 52	5	29	2	3
1 Oct 52	5	29	4	5
2 Oct 52	5	8	3	4
3 Oct 52	7	10	3	3

N.B. There is no report submitted on AOCP and ANFE for Saturdays and Sundays.

(4) VOCP Correction:

The VOCP rate for the period ending 16 September 1952 was 1.4 instead of 1.5%.

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(6) Lack of tactical pilots on this station have made it uneconomical to operate the Basic Survival School for the past three months. It is anticipated that classes will be resumed prior to the end of this year.

f. Special

To all concerned:

Due to the fact that all information necessary for the compilation of the Weekly Progress Report" can not be obtained before 0800 hours Wednesday, it is requested the report be submitted not later than 1500 hours Wednesday instead of the previous time of 1300 hours Wednesday.

/s/ John J. Smith
/t/ JOHN J. SMITH
Major, USAF
Management Analysis

A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

Exhibt No. 5

HEADQUARTERS 811TH AIR BASE GROUP
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

BASE COMPT 15 October 1952

SUBJECT: Weekly Progress Report

TO: Commanding Officer
40th Air Division
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

1. The following report on the progress of the 811th Air Base Group for the week ending 10 October 1952 is submitted for your consideration.

a. Personnel

(1)

	Asgd 5 Oct	Asgd 12 Oct	Auth	% Manned
Officers	109	107	114	93.8
Airmen	1916	1915	1741	110.0

(2) Base Personnel reports that as of the week ending 12 October 1952 there were 47 airmen and 2 officers classified.

(3) 40 actions were submitted for classification; these 40 were classified.

(4) 2 officers were classified.

(5) The reported backlog for the past week was negative.

(6) For the week ending 12 October 1952 there was a total of 9 AWOL's reported for the 811th Air Base Group. For the same period last month 5 AWOL's were reported for the Air Base Group.

There is an increase of 2.1 AWOL's per 1000 personnel this month over last month's rate of 2.3 per 1000.

The following table illustrates the distribution of the reported AWOL's for the past week:

EXHIBIT NO. 6

Squadron	AWOL
811th Installations	1
811th Supply	2
811th Motor Vehicle	1
811th Food Service	3
811th Air Police	2

(7) The SAC Primary Production rate for the 811th Air Base Group as of 12 October 1952 was 85.5% of potential man hours which is above the SAC minimum of 82%. When the non-primary useful time is added to this total, the Air Base Group has a rate of 92.9%, which is a decrease of 1.1 of last week's rate.

For the same period last month the production rate was 93.3%. This month's rate shows a decrease of .4% over that for last month.

This decrease is due mainly to an increase in the amount of time spent by personnel in the PX and orderly room, and an increase in the number of personnel going on leave.

b. Materiel.

(1) For purposes of standardization in reporting of AOCP and ANFE rates, the following procedure will be followed: The AOCP rate and ANFE rate will be computed by dividing the total assigned number of aircraft by the total number of AOCP and ANFE separately.

(2) The AOCP rate for Turner Air Force Base for the week ending 12 October 1952 was 12.1%. This would be an increase of 1.1% over last week's rate, if that rate had been computed in the same manner.

(3) There were 5 ANFE reported as of the week ending 12 October 1952. The ANFE rate for the week ending 12 October 1952 is 9.1%.

(4) The following table illustrates the distribution of the AOCP and ANFE with respect to the total number of line items needed by each during the past week:

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Date	Total AOCP	Line Items Needed	Total ANTE	Line Items Needed
6 Oct 52	8	12	3	3
7 Oct 52	8	12	5	4
8 Oct 52	7	8	4	4
9 Oct 52	7	8	4	4
10 Oct 52	8	21	5	5

c. Special

(1) Nonappropriated Funds:

(a) Athletics: The expenditure for the month of September 1952 was $271.09. Last month's expenditure was $1359.41. This large difference between the two months is due to the fact that in August there were many back bills paid which brought the total expenditures for that month up to such a large amount. The cost per participant for the month of September was $.06. This is a large decrease over that of last month.

(b) Service Club: During the month of September the Service Club spent a total of $716.16. In August there was a total expenditure of $741.36. The cost per participant for the month of September was $.08, for the month of August it was $.10. There was a decrease of $.02.

(c) Library: For the month of September the library spent a total of $89.50. This is a decrease over the total expenditure for August which was $112.97. The cost per participant for the month of September was $.05. For the month of August it was $.07. This is due mainly to an increase in total attendance over the two months.

(d) Hobby Shop: The hobby shop had a total expenditure of $88.20 for the month of September. For August the total expenditure was $448.22. This large decrease is due to seasonal factors. The cost per participant for the month of August was $.09. The hobby shop had a total income of $193.00 for the month of September which is an increase of $43.00 over the total income for August.

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d. Information and Education

The report on Operation Bootstrap concerning the Florida State University program has been left out of this report due to lack of information. A complete report will be made next week.

/s/ John J. Smith
/t/ JOHN J. SMITH
Major, USAF
Management Analysis

A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

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HEADQUARTERS 811TH AIR BASE GROUP
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

BASE COMPT

22 October 1952

SUBJECT: Weekly Progress Report

TO: Commanding Officer
40th Air Division
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

1. The following report on the progress of the 811th Air Base Group for the week ending 17 October 1952 is submitted for your consideration.

a. Personnel:

(1)

	Asgd 5 Oct	Asgd 19 Oct	Auth	% Manned
Officers	109	105	114	92.1
Airmen	1916	1914	1741	109.9

(2) Base Personnel reports that as of the week ending 19 October 1952, there were 37 airmen and 2 officers classified

(3) 32 airmen were submitted for classification action; these 32 were classified.

(4) 4 Basic airmen were classified.

(5) One reenlistee was classified.

(6) 2 officers were classified. They received a change in primary AFSC.

(7) The reported backlog for the past week is negative.

(8) For the week ending 19 October 1952 there was a total of 13 AWOL's for the 811th Air Base Group. For the same period last month 6 AWOL's were reported for the Air Base Group. Last month's AWOL rate per 1000 during the same period was 2.8. This month's period it is 6.4 per 1000 personnel, an increase of 3.6. This is a poor condition and should be curbed.

EXHIBIT NO. 7

The following table illustrates the distribution of the reported AWOL's for the past week.

Squadron	AWOL
Hq Section 811th Air Base Gp	1
811th Motor Vehicle Sq	1
811th Operations Sq	1
811th Air Police Sq	2
811th Installations Sq	2
811th Supply Sq	3
811th Food Service Sq	3

(9) The SAC Primary Production rate for the 811th Air Base Group as of 19 October 1952 was 87.7% of potential man hours which is above the SAC minimum of 82%. When the non-primary useful time is added to the total, the Air Base Group has a rate of 92.8% which is a decrease of .1% from that of last week.

For the same period last month the production rate was 94.2%. This month's rate shows a decrease of 1.4% from that of last month.

This decrease is due mainly to an increase in the number of personnel going on leave.

b. Materiel:

(1) The VOCP rate for Turner Air Force Base as of the period ending 16 October 1952 is 1.4. For the same period last month the VOCP rate was 1.2. There is an increase of .2 for this period.

(2) The VOCM rate for the period ending 16 October 1952 is 1.9. This is an increase of .8 over last month's rate for the same period.

(3) The percent of VOC for this period is 3.3 which is a 1.0% increase over last period's percent. This large increase in vehicles out of commission is due mainly to the large number of vehicles out of commission for maintenance.

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(4) The AOCP rate on Turner Air Force Base for the week ending 17 October 1952 was 11.9. In the same period last month the AOCP rate was 1.7. It is felt that the reason for this large increase in the AOCP rate is due mainly to the inefficiency of the depot in supplying our Base Supply with the requested items. If this condition continues a special study will be conducted by this installation to try to determine the cause of this condition.

(5) There were 2 ANFE reported for the week ending 19 October 1952. The ANFE rate for the same week is 3.6%.

(6) The following table illustrates the distribution of the AOCP and ANFE with respect to the total number of items needed by each during during the past week.

Date	Total AOCP	Line Items Needed	Total ANFE	Line Items Needed
13 Oct 52	11	29	5	5
14 Oct 52	8	14	4	4
15 Oct 52	10	16	4	4
16 Oct 52	4	11	2	2
17 Oct 52	8	10	2	2

This table shows the need of improvement somewhere in the line of supply, whether it is completely the fault of this Base Supply or the fault of the depot has not yet been conceived. A special study will be conducted by this installation to try to determine the cause of this condition, and a recommendation for eliminating this condition be made.

c. Special:

(1) The I and E disclosed that for the week ending 19 October 1952 there has been no major change in the Florida State University Program at Turner Air Force Base.

The attendance during the past week has not been good. This is shown in the table below.

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Class	Date	Asgd	Absent	% Absent
Psychology	13 Oct 52	14	4	28.6%
Mathematics	13 Oct 52	32	8	25.0%
Economics	15 Oct 52	13	5	38.5%
English	15 Oct 52	28	12	42.8%

The English class leads in the number of absentees, having almost 50% of the students absent, which is a poor condition.

The progress of the students is good in all classes except the Psychology classes. It has been reported that as of the week ending 19 October 1952, there are 9 failing students in the Psychology class.

Passing or failing is determined on the basis of attendance, class work, and tests. It seems that there are two problems encountered by the students. These problems are:

(a) It has been found that certain military duties such as CQ seem to conflict with the school schedule.

It is recommended that coordination be made between the students and first sergeants of their respective squadrons to leave their class nights open from such military duty.

(b) Instructors insist that their classes start at 1815 hours and students complain that when chow is served at 1715 hours it does not give them enough time to eat and then prepare themselves for school.

No recommendation:

/s/ John J. Smith
/t/ JOHN J. SMITH
Major, USAF
Management Analysis

A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

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HEADQUARTERS 811TH AIR BASE GROUP
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

BASE COMPT

29 October 1952

SUBJECT: Weekly Progress Report

TO: Commanding Officer
40th Air Division
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

1. The following report on the progress of the 811th Air Base Group for the week ending 26 October 1952 is submitted for your consideration.

a. Personnel:

(1)

	Asgd 19 Oct	Asgd 26 Oct	Auth	% Manned
Officers	105	105	114	92.1
Airmen	1914	1911	1741	109.8

(2) Base Personnel reports that as of the week ending 26 October 1952, there were 24 airmen and 1 officer classified.

(3) 24 airmen were submitted for classification. These 24 were classified.

(4) 1 officer was classified. He received a change in primary AFSC.

(5) The reported backlog for the past week is negative.

(6) For the week ending 26 October 1952 there was a total of 15 AWOL'S for the 811th Air Base Group. For the same period last month a total of 7 AWOL's were reported for the Air Base Group. Last month's AWOL rate per 1000 during the same period was 3.4. This month's period it is 7.4 per 1000 personnel, an increase of 4.0. Every squadron in the Air Base Group has at least 1 AWOL. This is a poor condition and may become worse if it is not curbed. The following table illustrates the distribution of the reported AWOL's for the past week.

EXHIBIT NO. 8

Squadron	AWOL
Hq Section 811th Air Base Gp	1
811th Motor Vehicle Sq	1
811th Operations Sq	1
811th Air Police Sq	3
811th Installations Sq	3
811th Supply Sq	3
811th Food Service Sq	3

5 of these 15 reported AWOL's are second time offenders.

It is recommended that lectures be given by Squadron Commanders stressing AWOL and the penalty derived thereof.

(7) The SAC Primary Production rate for the 811th Air Base Group as of 26 October 1952 was 90.3% of potential man hours which is above the SAC minimum of 82%. When the non-primary useful time is added to the total, the Air Base Group has a rate of 94.6 which is an increase of 1.8% over that of last week.

For the same period last month the production rate was 93.6%. This month's rate shows an increase of 1.0% from last month's rate.

This increase in production rate over the two months is due mainly to a decrease in number of personnel attending Character Guidance, I&E, Parades, Atheletics, etc.

b. Materiel:

(1) The AOCP percentage on Turner Air Force Base for the week ending 26 October 1952 was 9.1%. For the same period last month the AOCP percentage was 6.3%.

It is felt that this large AOCP percentage is due mainly to the conditions prevailing with the depot. The three conditions are:

(a) When we send a requisition to 862 for items such as 16A, etc., they have to get permission from the 905th before sending us the items.

(b) There was a wing from another base carrying a priority of one which causes a delay in our obtaining the needed items.

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(c) We do not have good connections in our transportation of the requested items from the depot. There is usually a delay of some sort.

(2) The ANFE percentage for the week ending 26 October 1952 was 5.3%. For the same period last month, the ANFE percentage was 2.0

(3) The following table illustrates the distribution of the AOCP and ANFE with respect to the total number of items needed by each during the past week.

Date	Total AOCP	Line Items Needed	Total ANFE	Line Items Needed
20 Oct 52	7	9	4	4
21 Oct 52	11	14	4	5
22 Oct 52	11	14	4	5
23 Oct 52	10	14	4	5
24 Oct 52	8	12	4	3

One the conditions stated in (a) and (c) are alleviated, our AOCP and ANFE percentage will drop considerably.

c. Special:

(1) The I&E Office disclosed in relation to the Florida State University Program at Turner Air Force Base that absenteeism is still a major problem.

The following table illustrates the number of absentees with respect to the total assigned of each class.

Class	Asgd	Absent
Psychology	14	7
Mathematics	28	12
Economics	13	2
English	32	16

Actual progress of the students cannot be determined due to the fact that no tests were given as of the week ending 26 October 1952. However, whatever progress there may be, it will be retarded by a high rate of absentees. Therefore, attention should be placed toward this problem by the individual squadrons.

/s/ John J. Smith
/t/ JOHN J. SMITH
Major, USAF
Management Analysis

A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

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HEADQUARTERS 40TH AIR DIVISION
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

Base Pers 220.01

SUBJECT: Classification Progress Report on Operation Smoke-Out
(RSC: 2AF - PA - SP22)

TO: Commanding General
Second Air Force
Barksdale Air Force Base
Shreveport, Louisiana

1. In compliance with letter your headquarters, file AFPGC 220.01, subject same as above, dated 24 October 1952, the following is reported as of 31 October 1952:

Number of Airmen Reclassified	Previous Cr Fld In Which Classified	New Cr Fld In Which Classified	Number of School Quotas Requested And/Or Pending
1	29	43	1
3	29	70	3
1	36	43	1
20	47	43	20
1	47	70	1
3	53	43	3
1	53	70	1
2	53	95	2*
12	55	43	12
2	55	64	2
2	55	70	2
8	55	95	8*
5	60	64	5
1	60	70	1
4	60	95	4*
3	62	43	3
6	62	64	6
1	62	95	1*

* Denotes Airmen Placed OJT per 2AFLtr 35-13.

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Hq 40th Air Div, Turner AFB, Albany, Ga. Base Pers 220.01,
Subj: Classification Progress Report on Operation Smoke-Out.
(RCS: 2AF-PA-SP22)

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

/s/ Philip A. Hurley
/t/ PHILIP A. HURLEY
Capt., USAF
Asst Adjutant

A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

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SCHOOLS

Status of training with regard to schools - 811th Air Base Group

October 1952

Airmen attending schools as of 1 October 1952	-	258
Airmen departed for schools in October 1952	-	27
Airmen returned from schools in October 1952	-	37
Airmen attending schools as of 31 October 1952	-	268

Following list is a breakdown of the airmen who departed for schools during the month of October 1952:

6 - Warehousing Supervisors' Course, Francis E Warren AFB, Wyo.

3 - Organizational Supply School, Francis E Warren AFB, Wyo.

1 - Photo and Laboratory Technician, Lowry AFB, Colorado.

1 - Medical Tech Proc, Ft. Sam Houston, Texas.

1 - Air Police School, Camp Gordon, Georgia

1 - Basic Budget and Accounting-Disbursing, Lowry AFB, Colorado

2 - Classified movement to School

8 - Airframe Repairman School, Amarillo AFB, Texas

1 - Basic Clerical, Francis E Warren AFB, Wyoming.

1 - Welding School, Chanute AFB, Illinois

2 - Petroleum Supply Course, Tellomock, Oregon

Following list is a breakdown of officers, by course, who departed for schools during the month of October 1952:

2 - SEC Security, Camp Carson, Colorado

2 - Squadron Officers' Course, Maxwell AFB, Alabama

1 - Petroleum Supply Course, Tellomock, Oregon

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SCHOOLS (Cont'd)

Breakdown, by course, of officers who departed for schools (Cont'd)

1 - Supply Course, Francis E. Warren AFB, Wyoming

Officers attending schools as of 1 October 1952	-	7
Officers departed for schools in October 1952	-	6
Officers returned from schools in October 1952	-	2
Officers attending schools as of 31 October 1952	-	11

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GROUND SAFETY BRIEF

Work Safely
Play Safely

Volume V 12 November 1952
Number 11
Turner Air Force Base, Georgia

GREEN CROSS FOR SAFETY

A MONTHLY NEWS LETTER PUBLISHED BY THE BASE GROUND SAFETY OFFICE

SAFETY SAM SEZ:

Three airmen in the hospital last month due to bad driving; will they never learn?

Love speed driving for races on tracks. Speed properly controlled is not dangerous. Who owns a race track?

Night doubles traffic troubles. It's dark early now.

A paint respirator does no good lying on a work bench.

Pedestrians should watch out also. Sometimes a driver can't see you, especially if you are close to a big truck.

Big explosions come from little causes. Do you smoke on the ramp?

Beware of static electricity. Bond when refueling planes or tank trucks. Use the full length of the hose when refueling tractors of JP4 vehicles.

Do you clean with Carbon Tet (CTC)? Then get ready for the doctor.

Talking when driving causes many accidents. Don't take your eyes off the road even for a moment.

When the shoe fits, wear it. Why gripe about the obvious?

Ground Safety saves $9 for each dollar spent on the program. It pays, also, in suffering and remorse saved.

Do you learn by accident? Experience is the best teacher - or is it?

Are you a fail guy? Unwary? Not Alert? You'll get hurt-in time.

A minute of safety precaution is worth a month in the hospital.

Goggles can be replaced; eyes can't.

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Do you know stopping distance? Some otherwise fine, intellegent people hug the rear bumper of the car in front. Result - well - watch US Hy #82, most any day.

Prevent accidents to save yourself. No one else can do it.

Let's declare an armistice on accidents! Go home for Thanksgiving if you can - enjoy your visit - relax behind the wheel and get back safely.

CAUSE AND CURE

He was returning from Atlanta, Ga. He fell asleep at the wheel three miles south of Americus, Ga.; his car hit a bridge abutment. Luckily he was only three days in the hospital; the loss to his car was estimated at $400. This accident occurred at 0600; it was still dark. The airman was alone. Cure: Get plenty of rest before driving long distances; don't drive alone at night if possible; don't drive at night if you can help it. If you get sleepy, stop and take a nap.

Two airmen were removing the right pylon tank. The air pressure had not been released from this tank, but the crew chief believed it had. He pressed the pylon tank release which jettisoned the tank instead of releasing it. The tank struck one of the men fracturing his ankle. Result - 60 days lost time, cost $1,800. Cure - Check and make certain before changing compressed air or explosive controls. Pylon and tip-tank accidents have become common. They can be stopped.

The truck ahead pulled to the left of the road preparatory to making a right turn over the "Route" at the underpass. It was a long truck and this action was necessary. The airman behind the truck, doing about 35, misunderstood the manouver and started to pass on the right. When the truck cut to the right he was trapped. He sped up to clear the truck; his right front tire hit the corner of the curb throwing it out of control. The car cleared the truck, ran over the curb, and hit a tree almost dead center, head on. Result-two men injured, 10 and 20 days respectively in the hospital, cost $900. Car damage was an additional $900; damage to private property, $50. Cure, defensive driving, the exercise of sound judgement while driving.

He walked thru the barracks barefooted; his little toe hit a post and was fractured. Three days in the hospital, cost $90. Cure-watch your step-Don't be a "fall-guy".

The instructor in charge of judo was showing some holds during a break. The injured man was thrown to the mat too hard, bruising his left thigh. Five days lost, cost, $150. This was a hazard of instruction with no cure practicable.

He pulled out from the curb on the left of the street and hit a passing civilian car. He said that he looked; apparantly he didn't look carefully. The civilian car possibly could have stopped in time to avoid injury. Result, $15 damage to the government truck, about $35 to the civilian car. Cure: watch carefully before pulling from the curb; park on the right

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(traffic) side of the street, even if you must circle the block to do so.

As this airman in a government vehicle sounded his horn and started to pass, the civilian veered into his path over the center line. To avoid a collision the airman pulled of the pavement and on again, turning the truck over on its side on returning to the pavement. Result, $201. damage to government vehicle, 5 days out of service. Cure: None. It seems that the civilian driver is quite deaf.

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A hangover is something to occupy a head that wasn't used the night before. And while on the subject of hangovers, why does anyone think he can play poker with a head spinning from the effects of alcohol. To say nothing of the black eye next morning as well as cash gone. But this did happen - and maybe not for the first time. Tipplers and gamblers beware. Oh well, easy come, easy go!

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"She swears no man's lips have ever touched hers"
"That's enough to make any girl swear".

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A SAC letter just received on the subject of Ground Safety Precautions while ground servicing aircraft (SAC Ltr 66-41, 2 Oct 1952) directs that the full length of the ground power cable be utilized when using B-10, C-21, C-22, C-26, or similar units. We recommend this as required reading for all aircraft servicing personnel.

UP-SWING OF PRIVATE VEHICLE ACCIDENTS

During October there was a sharp increase in the number of private motor vehicle accidents. They numbered 11, with 3 of them resulting in reportable injury. Another one has just been reported for November. Evidently the lessons of "Operation Safe Wheels" have been soon forgotten by many of our personnel.

The cure is simple. Drive defensively. Drive so that even if the other driver drives as if he were a part-time lunatic, he still can't hit your car or hurt you. To do this, watch the car ahead of the car ahead, the car behind, your car, and that FOURTH car which may be coming in unexpectedly from the side, rear, or ahead. Be prepared to act promptly to minimize or avoid injury, damage, or even death.

Just as certain as can be, if the number of accidents continues to increase, someone is going to get killed. Let's stop this in time.

Yours for safety
The Ground Safety Director

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TURNER AIR FORCE BASE
GROUND SAFETY
BULLETIN

Volume V

Number 10
12 November 1952

REPORT OF DISABLING INJURIES THRU OCTOBER

1952	Mtr Veh	PT & Sports	Job	Barracks & Home	Alt	Ped	Other	Total
Turner AFB								
Jan Thru Sept	20	23	14	8	8	6	5	84
October	3	1	1	1	0	0	0	6
TOTALS	23	24	15	9	8	6	5	90
1951 TAFB								
Jan thru Oct	15*****	8	6	4	8	4	2*	47
* Fatality								
1952								
31st Fighter Esc Wing								
Jan thru Sept	8	6	4	4	1	3	1	27
October	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
TOTALS	8	6	5	4	1	3	1	28
508th Fighter Esc Wing								
July thru Sept	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
October	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	3
TOTALS	2	1	0	1	0	0	0	4
811th Air Base Group								
Jan thru Sept	12	16	10	4	7	3	4	56
October	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	2
TOTALS	13	17	10	4	7	3	4	58

Motor vehicle injuries have reentered the accident picture in a big way. Half the injuries during October were due to this cause. Private motor vehicle accidents increased from four in September to ten in October with three already recorded for November. The answer is obvious. Since the lessons of "Operation Safe Wheels" seem to be fading, it is necessary to renew indoctrination in DEFENSIVE DRIVING. It is suggested that every individual that has a driving accident be required to explain it to his Commanding Officer. This should be done whether or not the individual is at fault and whether or not there is an injury. This may produce results.

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INDOCTRINATION OF NEW AIRMEN

Steps are being taken to set up Ground Safety classes for newly arrived airmen. This will be done at semi-monthly or monthly intervals. Names of those to attend these classes with time and place will be sent to Squadrons concerned. Meanwhile the Squadron Safety Officers should make every effort to contact new airmen. Ground Safety Accident Prevention Booklets are available at this office.

GROUND POWERED EQUIPMENT

A new regulation, SAC 66-41, requires certain safety precautions in the use of ground powered equipment used to start airplane motors. It is required reading for flight line personnel.

THE RACES

The races have come and gone, but the pleasant taste remains. To run such an event with but one minor injury and with no reportable injuries or vehicle accidents is quite a feat. Congratulations to all conderned.

PAY DAY TALKS

After each pay day many airmen report to the hospital with injuries. If luck holds, most of these are non-disabling. They could very easily be lost time injuries in every case. Causes of injuries are mainly drinking driving and altercations nearly always due to drinking.

The influence of the Squadron Commander can, in great measure, stop these practices. It is requested that all Squadron Commanders read 40th Air Division Regulation 40-7 and act accordingly. In line with the principles set forth in this regulation, a talk to all airmen shortly before they are paid is believed to be a very effective method of attacking the problem. 40th Air Division Regulation 40-7 was evolved from a personal letter written by Gen. LeMay to Colonel Olds setting forth his personal views and desires in this regard.

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Below is a comparison of Frequency Rates and Costs to Date.

	Oct 1952	Cum Jan-Oct 1952	Sept 1952	Oct 1951	Cum Jan-Oct	31st FEW Oct	508th FEW Oct	811th ABG Oct
Military Acci Rate	5.32	8.95	5.51	2.80	3.87	4.48	10.95	3.17
"On Duty"	5.32	10.14	2.96	4.19	3.71	13.43	0.00	4.76
"Off Duty"	5.32	8.35	6.89	2.10	3.95	0.00	16.43	2.38
Number of Inj	6	90	6	4	47*****	1	3	2
"On Duty"	2	34	1	2	15*	1	0	1
"Off Duty"	4	56	5	2	32*****	0	3	1
Civ Acci Rate	0.00	2.09	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
No of Injuries	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Veh Acci Rate	1.55	0.53	0.00	1.29	0.94	0.00	0.00	1.55
No Veh Acci	2	6	0	2	11	0	0	2
Cost per Capita	$0.92	$1.28	$0.59	$5.73	$3.88	$2.51	$1.26	$0.28
Cost of Acci	$3,618	$45,805	$2,305	$28,280	$164,130	$1,814	$1,180	$624.

* Fatality

Yours for Safety
The Ground Safety Director

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HEADQUARTERS
811th Air Base Group
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE GROUND SAFETY COUNCIL

1. Under the provisions of AF Manual 32-3a, dated December 1950, and SAC Regulation 32-4, dated 7 Nov 1951, the Executive Ground Safety Council convened for a regular meeting in the Conference Room, Base Headquarters, at 1500 hours 8 October 1952.

a. Members Present:

Lt Col John L. Wright	Executive Officer, 811th Air Base Group
Maj George D. Williams	508th Fighter Escort Wing
Maj John S. Dennis	Base Legal Officer
Maj Robert T. Forrest	Base Operations and Training Officer
Maj William H. Milnor	Base Personnel Officer
Maj Allan R. Kyle	Assistant Base Provost Marshal
Capt William V. Favor, Jr.	Base Transportation Officer
Capt Charles M. Daniels	Representing Base Surgeon
Capt Frank D. Furlow	Base Air Installations Officer
Mr. George F. Johnston	Civilian Personnel Officer
Mr. Samuel Z. Orgel	Ground Safety Officer

b. Members Absent:

Lt Col Chester M. Campbell, Jr. Base Materiel Officer (TDY)

c. The minutes of the previous meeting were read.

2. Unfinished Business:

a. Reference par 4 b, angle parking around headquarters, it was reported that the plan as submitted by the Provost Marshal was approved by the Base Commander. A work order has been submitted to AIO for accomplishment of this plan.

b. Reference par 5 a, the recommendation for enlarging the airfield lighting house was referred to Air Installations for consideration and comment. The chief electrician of Air Installations and the Ground Safety Officer surveyed the installation together and agreed that the wiring was installed in a manner that created a hazard to electricians who had upkeep and repair duties to perform on these lines. This is an original installation, in existance over ten years. The Air Installations Officer, Capt Frank D. Furlow, stated that plans were in process for the alteration or rebuilding of this house. Since the work cost will make the project one that will have to be submitted to SAC for approval, there will probably be some delay in accomplishing the project. Meanwhile, the lock in the door will be changed.

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Entrance to the building will be strictly controlled, so as to allow only qualified electricians who are aware of the conditions to enter this building. Large signs will be posted on the building reading "High Voltage--Danger--Keep Out".

c. Reference par 5 b, Ground Safety scrolls were awarded the five squadrons mentioned. Col John J. Easton, the Base Commander, has requested that the criteria for the award of these scrolls be raised, so that they will be more difficult to obtain. This has been accomplished.

3. Report of the Ground Safety Section:

a. The final standing of this base in "Operation Safe Wheels" was reported as fourth among SAC bases. Lake Charles Air Force Base was first, Castle Air Force Base was second, and Davis-Monothan Air Force Base was third. Since certificates were issued only to the first three bases, Turner just missed getting an "Achievement Award" certificate. The rise from 13th place at the end of June to 4th place in the final standings was considered most commendable by the Council.

b. Details of the six injuries for September were noted and corrective action taken was approved in each case. Three of the injuries occurred in the FEAF. One was chargeable to the 31st Fighter Escort Wing, one to the 508th Fighter Escort Wing, and four, including two in the FEAF to the 811th Air Base Group. MAR for September was 5.11, 2.96 on and 6.89 off duty. For the 31st Fighter Escort Wing MAR was 4.49, 0.00 on and 6.73 off duty. For the 508th Fighter Escort Wing MAR was 4.25, 0.00 on and 6.38 off duty. For the 811th Air Base Group MAR was 6.35, 4.76 on and 7.14 off duty. CAR was negative for the base, as was VAR. Cumulative CAR was 2.34; cumulative VAR was 0.38. Cost per capita for the base for September was $0.59; cumulative, $1.33.

c. A wave of private vehicle accidents and one government motor vehicle accident occurred recently, chargeable to October. Corrective action has been taken. Drivers at fault have been detailed to Driver Training School three evenings in succession, for two hours each, under Base Reg 125-3. This as adequate to correct the situation, in the opinion of the Council.

d. Fifty-nine safety meetings were held; total attendance 6,652. A talk was made to all personnel by Chief of County Police Royace Hinson at the Base Theater on the cooperation existing between the Base and the Civilian authorities. Engineering and Special Studies accomplished by the Ground Safety section were noted.

e. Cooperation of the Ground Safety section with the officer in charge of the Sonoma National Sports Car Races was noted by the Council. Maj Ellis H. Wood, Ground Safety Officer of SAC, visited the base in connection with the plans for the races. The Ground Safety Officer accompanied him in his checking of the plans at the Provost Marshal office on crowd control and at the Fire Department on crash and rescue plans. Posters, slogans, and an article was furnished the race authorities by this section. The SAC Ground Safety section plans to send a technician

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to assist this base with the race plans the week before the race, since the base Ground Safety Officer has been detailed to attend the USAF Ground Safety Conference at Chicago, scheduled for the same week.

f. Comparisons were made with 2AF, SAC, and USAF rates. The rates of this base, it was noted, continue to improve.

4. Discussion:

a. By direction of the Base Commander, Col John J. Easton, a survey of airfield ramp traffic hazards was made by the Provost Marshal and the Ground Safety Officer. Recommendations on traffic around the Fire Station #3 and from gate #5 to the parking line for fire department vehicles were approved. The erection of a large warning sign at the corner of Hangar #1 reading "Danger-Taxing Planes" was approved. The recommendations for traffic lanes for the sections of the ramp occuppied by the two Fighter Escort Wings have been held in abeyance until the completion of the additional paving by the contractor in the areas of these two wings. In connection with this project, it was noted that due to contractor operations the fire extinguisher boxes had been removed from the light poles in those areas. Fire extinguishers are spotted through the ramp area temporarily, providing the needed protection. "No Smoking" signs and "Jet Caution" signs have likewise been removed but will be reerected as soon as the contractor operations are concluded. This is estimated at approximately ten days.

b. By direction of the Base Commander, the crash fire truck formerly answering crash alarms from Station #1 has been moved to Station #3. It will answer structural alarms from this station. Since crash alarms are over twice as numerous as structural alarms, this will decrease the hazard from the movement of this emergency vehicle on the streets of the base.

c. "Pay Day" talks were strongly recommended to be made by all Unit Commanders, especially by the commanders of the newly filled units in the 508th Fighter Escort Wing and the commanders of the returning 31st Fighter Escort Wing. These talks include cautions as to driving, drinking, and altercations. These talks are very important items in the accident prevention program, in the opinion of the Council.

d. The Air Installations Officer, Capt Frank D. Furlow, stated that work on the striping of the center line on Avenue A will be started in the very near future. The delay has been caused by the need of returning the striping machine to Moody Air Force Base; it had been borrowed from that base and they had requested its return.

e. The Provost Marshal reported that one way traffic around the main supply building near Base Operations and Gate #5 had been put into effect.

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5. Recommendations:

a. That all unit commanders personally deliver talks to their squadrons including cautions on driving, drinking, and altercations before the troops are paid each month.

b. That a Ground Safety Scroll be awarded the 811th Food Service Squadron for excellence in performance during the month of September, 1952.

6. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 1600 hours.

t/s/JOHN L. WRIGHT
1t Col, USAF
Chairman

APPROVED

t/s/JOHN J. EASTON
Colonel, USAF
Commanding

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31st Wing personnel are shown as they landed at Turner from TDY in Japan. Major Leaford Bearskin, Flight Commander, is at extreme left.

Exhibit No. 14

Dependents and base officers are shown rushing to greet returning personnel of the 31st Wing. Colonel John J. Easton, Base Commander, and Chaplain Luther McArthur, Base Chaplain, are at extreme right.

Exhibit No. 15

31st Wing personnel are shown greeting their dependents and friends upon arrival at Turner from temporary duty in Japan.

Exhibit No. 16

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HEADQUARTERS
3497TH MOBILE TRAINING GROUP
Chanute Air Force Base, Illinois

GA 322 9 Oct. 1952

SUBJECT: F84-10 Mobile Training Detachment

TO: Commanding Officer
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

1. I am taking this opportunity to acquaint you with some of the services you may expect and some general information about the F84-10 Mobile Training Detachment which will arrive at your base in the near future. The authority for this move is letter AFOOP-OC 370.5, Department of the Air Force, 15 September 1952, subject: "(Unclassified) Movement Directive, F84-10 Detachment, 3497th Mobile Training Squadron (Fighter)".

2. This detachment is manned with the best qualified instructor specialists we are able to obtain. Each airman is not only a Technically qualified specialist but is especially qualified on F84 type aircraft. The personnel are trained to conduct classes in aircraft familiarization for fully qualified mechanics and aircrews. As the mission of the detachment is to transition fully qualified maintenance personnel, the equipment has been designed to accomplish this in the least possible time. Because the primary mission controls the design of the equipment other missions cannot be accomplished as efficiently. You can see that if the equipment were designed for pilot training only, the layout would be different. By the same token, the equipment is not suitable for the training of personnel in basic theory or skills concerned in mechanics work. Because of these limitations I suggest that you send only fully qualified personnel to the detachment classes, as partially understood knowledge may be more harmful than helpful.

3. A partial list of the facilities required for utilization of the detachment is forwarded as inclosure #1. A liaison officer from the 3497th Mobile Training Squadron (Fighter) will arrive at your station prior to the arrival of the detachment. He will present course outlines and syllabi to assist you in your class scheduling. This officer will be qualified to discuss the detachment requirements in detail. I suggest that your training personnel arrange class schedules and class sizes prior to arrival of the detachment so that training can be made available as soon as possible. In regard to classroom space,

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Hq 3499th Mob Trng Gp Chanute AFB Ill Subject: FB4-10 Mobile Training Detachment

it is suggested that the best available space be used as the physical enviroment in which your personnel will have their training. Your personnel will benefit from the training offered proportionately with the quality of the training facilities made available.

4. I would like to invite your attention to AFR 50-29 which outlines the responsibilities of all commands with respect to Mobile Training. Special mention is made at this time regarding paragraph 4c which in conjunction with AFR 11-4 specifies that detachment personnel will not be utilized in duties foreign to their primary mission of instructing.

5. This detachment is capable of teaching approximately 10,800 man hours per month if adequate classrooms and facilities are provided. I realize your mission may at times prevent the desired attendance, but I ask your cooperation in the best possible student flow.

6. I would appreciate your comments from time to time as to the accomplishments of this detachment. I am interested in suggestions for improvement of this service as well as criticisms of deficiencies.

1 Incl:
FB4 Det Remts (dup)

/s/ Sherwood E. Buckland
/t/ SHERWOOD E. BUCKLAND
Colonel, USAF
Commanding

A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

JOSEPH E. [illegible]
1st Lt., USAF

SECURITY INFORMATION

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The HONOR PLAQUE for the best squadron of October is presented to Captain William V. Favor, CO of the 811th Motor Vehicle Squadron, by Colonel John J. Easton, Base Commander. M-Sgt Henry T. West (First Sergeant) is shown in the center.

EXHIBIT NO. 18

PROJECTS BEING ADMINISTERED BY THE SAVANNAH DISTRICT

ENGINEERS AND AIR INSTALLATIONS - TURNER AFB, ALBANY, GEORGIA

AIO Projects	Status
Installation of Regulators on Hot Water Heaters (28-52)	8% complete
Grading and Paving Between Apron and Security Fence (29-52)	90% complete
Rehabilitation of Hangar Doors in Building 5010 (52-52)	Project approved, work not yet started
Alterations and Improvements to Building Nos. 4104, 4105, 4106 and 4206 (70-52)	90% complete
Remarking of Runway 4 and 22, Taxiway 4 and 5 and Parking Area (18-53)	90% complete
Rehabilitation of Hospital Buildings (27-52)	10% complete
Installation of Metal Horizontal Sliding Doors, Buildings T-7003, 7103, 7104 and T-7204 (66-52)	65% complete
Sealing approximately 213,000 sq. yds. runways and taxiways (69-52)	80% complete
Construction of three Warehouses (35-52)	99% complete
Savannah District Engineers Projects	
Navigational Aids (Contract No. 935)	98% complete
Fuel Storage and Distribution (Contract No. 1107)	95.5% complete
Oper. Fuel Storage Tanks (Contract No. 1071)	99% complete
Ammunition Storage Igloos (Contract No. 1501)	48% complete
Administration Building (Contract No. 1512)	4.5% complete
General Purpose Warehouse (Contract No. 1515)	5% complete

Exhibit No. 19

Part of the large crowd viewing the races is shown in this photo taken from the roof of the new Operations building. The main stands are on the right near hangar. Stands directly across track were for officials and press men.

Exhibit No. 20

General Curtis E. LeMay, CG of SAC, on stand at left, holds the flag up in preparation for starting the first race on the Sunday program, won by an O.S.C.A.

Exhibit No. 21

JOHN FITCH, winner of the four-hour endurance race, shown in the above photo as he rounds a curve on the four and a half mile track. Driving a Cunningham, he crossed the finish line approximately 35 seconds before the second place man.

Exhibit No. 22

The STRATEGIC AIR POWER TROPHY was presented to the winner, John Fitch, by General Curtis E. LeMay, commanding general, Strategic Air Command, at the Victory Barbecue held in Turner's Hangar No. 1. In the background (seated) are Ned E. Dearborn, president of the National Safety Council, and Colonel Thayer S. Olds, CG, 40th Air Division.

Exhibit No 23

Arthur Godfrey, Radio and TV Star, (right) in his uniform as a commander in the U.S. Navy, watches the races with SAC's General Curtis LeMay.

Exhibit No. 24

Joe Lunn, of Thomasville, Ga. winner of the National Soapbox Derby this year, gets to try out General LeMay's sports car for size and gets a friendly comment from SAC's general.

Exhibit No. 25

HEADQUARTERS

SOWEGA NATIONAL

SPORTS CAR RACES

TURNER AIR FORCE BASE

ALBANY, GEORGIA

28 October 1952

Major Johnnie P. Harlow
Air Provost Marshal
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

Dear Major Harlow:

I wish to express my admiration and appreciation for the work done by yourself and the officers and men under your command during the Sowega Sports Car Races. Traffic and crowd control are major problems in an event of this nature and the way in which these problems were met and overcome last week-end reflects the highest credit on all personnel involved. I know of no instance when the Air Police failed to exhibit utmost courtesy and cooperation to the visiting members of the Sports Car Club of America and their high state of training and devotion to duty was made obvious by the splendid results obtained.

Please accept my thanks and those of all the members of the Sports Car Club of America and convey them to the personnel of your command.

Sincerely,

/s/ T. K. Field
/t/ T. K. FIELD
Director of National Events
Sports Car Club of America

cc: Colonel John J. Easton

A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

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Lt. Col. Lawrence J. Pickett

Operations Staff Officer

40th Air Division

Exhibit No. 27

Captain Lawrence O. Savage

Base Information Services Officer

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1 November 1952 - 40th Air Division Review was held at 0800 hours.

3 November 1952 - Inspection team arrived from Hq Second Air Force to conduct inspection of 40th Air Division and assigned units.

5 November 1952 - The Executive Ground Safety Council held its monthly meeting in Air Base Group Conference Room.

4 November 1952 - Division Commander presented Oak Leaf Clusters to Captain Jack R. Miller in ceremony at Hq 40th Air Division.

7 November 1952 - Group of officers from MacDill AFB, Florida, headed by Colonel B. H. Merchant, Base Commander, visited the base.

8 November 1952 - Inspection team from Second Air Force completed inspection of 40th Air Division and assigned units.

12 November 1952 - Division Commander departed for MacDill AFB, Florida, to assist with plans there for sports car races.

10-16 November 1952 - Albany citizens observed "USO Pal Week."

11 November 1952 - 40th Air Division furnished six F-84 aircraft to participate in aerial flyovers over Birmingham, Alabama on Armistice Day.

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13 November 1952 - A Supply Conference was held at this base.

14 November 1952 - Captain John M. Wharton, Personal Affairs Officer, released from active duty.

19 November 1952 - Red Cross Bloodmobile visited the base.

20 November 1952 - Division Commander departed for Second Air Force Hq to attend farewell dinner there in honor of Major General Joseph H. Atkinson, and to attend commanders' conference.

Base Materiel Officer and Base Organization and Methods Examiner attended a conference at Hq Second Air Force on implementation of the new UAL-BAL supply system.

25 November 1952 - Base Personnel Officer attended a personnel conference at Hq Second Air Force.

28 November 1952 - Division Commander presented to Supply Squadron Check for $500, won by that squadron for being unit winner in the Sowega National Sports Car Races contest.

30 November 1952 - Six Air Base Group key officers were released from active duty.

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ORGANIZATION AND ADMINISTRATION

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I - ORGANIZATION AND ADMINISTRATION

The Air Division Headquarters lost one officer this month to the 508th Fighter-Escort Wing. Lieutenant Colonel Lawrence J. Pickett, Division Operations Staff Officer, was transferred to the Wing as Assistant Director of Operations and Training. 1/

Lieutenant Colonel Fred L. Houck was appointed Base Manpower Management Officer, effective 5 November, relieving First Lieutenant Richard F. McClure, who was reassigned as Assistant Manpower Officer. 2/

The Management Analysis Section began four new studies this month. The first study concerns AWOLs, the second deals with the Reenlistment Rate, the third with "Operation Bootstrap," and the fourth a comparative analysis of a TWX and a letter transmitted by first class mail. Preliminary data was gathered on all of the above-mentioned studies and the analytical work will begin during the month of December.

1/ SO 271, par 25, Hq 40th Air Div, dtd 13 Nov 52. (On file, Hq Turner AFB, Ga.

2/ GO 8, Hq 811th Air Base Gp, dtd 18 Nov 52. (See Exhibit No. 1)

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II - PERSONNEL

Six key officers of the Air Base Group who were called to active duty in March, 1951, with the New Jersey Air National Guard, were released from active duty on the last day of November, as follows: 3/

Major Robert T. Forrest, Commanding Officer of the 811th Operations Squadron and Base Operations and Training Officer,

Captain Philip A. Hurley, Statistical Services Officer,

Captain Norman F. Herget, Assistant Statistical Services Officer,

Captain Leonard M. Obler, Physical Training Officer,

Captain Eugene E. McManus, Base Operations Officer, and

Captain Edgar S. Campbell, Officers Club Steward.

The Operations Squadron and Base Operations and Training Office were taken over by Major Harry A. Mintz, Communications Officer, on a temporary basis.

First Lieutenant Harold E. Henderson, who transferred to Turner from MacDill AFB, assumed duty as Base Statistical Services Officer, replacing Captain Hurley. Second Lieutenant Charles L. LaVergne, who was transferred to Turner from Lackland AFB, Texas, was assigned as Assistant Statistical Services, replacing Captain Herget.

3/ a. SO 279, par 16, Hq 40th AD, dtd 21 Nov 52. (On file, Hq Turner AFB, Ga.)
b. SO 275, par 3, Hq 40th AD, dtd 17 Nov 52. (On file, Hq Turner AFB, Ga.)
c. SO 269, par 2, Hq 40th AD, dtd 10 Nov 52. (On file, Hq Turner AFB, Ga.)
d. SO 118, par 3, Hq 811th A/B Gp, dtd 21 Nov 52. (On file Turner AFB, GA.

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Second Lieutenant William Leskovar took over the duties of the Physical Conditioning Officer, replacing Captain Obler.

Captain Thomas W. Cannon, Jr. assumed duties of Base Operations Officer. Captain Cannon formerly served as Assistant Base Operations Officer.

Major Bruce Wilson was appointed Officers Club Officer, replacing Captain Edgar Campbell, who served as Club Officer since his assignment at this base in March, 1951. Major Wilson served as Service Unit and Control Officer in the 811th Supply Squadron prior to his new assignment.

The Base Personnel Officer attended a personnel conference at Headquarters Second Air Force on 25 November. This conference was concerned with projected manning status of Second Air Force organizations.

Ninety-eight airmen were administered the Airman Proficiency Test during the month, of which 15 were in the 60 career field, one in the 62 carreer field, eight in the 73 career field, 60 in the 96 career field, four in the 46 career field, and 10 in the 29 (cryptographic) field. Scores have not been received on any of these tests.

Nineteen master sergeants were administered the test for warrant officer during the month; however, no scores were received as of the end of the month.

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Recruiting

There was a total of 25 reenlistments during this month, more than twice the number during the preceding month. Following is a breakdown by squadrons:

Headquarters 811th Air Base Group	-	6
811th Air Police Squadron	-	1
811th Installations Squadron	-	2
811th Food Service Squadron	-	2
811th Motor Vehicle Squadron	-	3
811th Supply Squadron	-	2
811th Operations Squadron	-	3
31st Field Maintenance Squadron	-	1
307th Ftr-Escort Squadron	-	1
308th Ftr-Escort Squadron	-	1
508th Ftr-Escort Wing	-	1
508th Armament and Electronics Sq	-	1
468th Ftr-Escort Squadron	-	1

Forty-one airmen and one officer departed this base for Air Force technical schools during the month. A breakdown, by course, is concluded in the Appendix. 4/

Strength figures for the Air Base Group for the month of November were as follows: (The authorized strength of Air Base Group officer personnel was decreased by three spaces, effective 1 November, with the

4/ Table of Schools. (See Exhibit No. 2)

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deletion of one personal affairs officer, one personnel services officer and one assistant club officer. 5/

	Authorized	Assigned
As of 1 November 1952		
Officers	111	110
Airmen	1741	1923
As of 30 November 1952		
Officers	111	108
Airmen	1741	1952

Strength figures for Headquarters 40th Air Division:

	Authorized	Assigned
As of 1 November 1952		
Officers	10	5
Airmen	7	1
As of 30 November 1952		
Officers	10	4
Airmen	7	1

5/ a. SAC Personnel Allotment Voucher, dtd 2 Nov 1952. (On file, Base Manpower and Organization Officer, Turner AFB, Ga.)

b. TWX, 2AFPLC 4046, dtd 3 Nov 52. (On file, Base Manpower and Organization Office, Turner AFB, Ga.)

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Civilian Personnel

The Placement Section of the Civilian Personnel Office interviewed 140 applicants for employment during the month.

The local Civil Service Board conducted an examination for stenographers on 8 November at the local high school. Notices were sent to approximately 25 applicants who had expressed an interest in participating in this examination and only 11 applicants appeared for the examination. The local board announced that examinations for stenographer and typist were reopened and applicants would be accepted until further notice.

The Classification and Wage Administration Section surveyed the Comptroller Section this month. In addition, this section reviewed four appeals submitted by the Purchasing and Contracting Section at which time employees and supervisors concerned were counseled on classification matters, advised of appeal procedures, jobs were reviewed and evaluated, and the employees were shown how standards were used in the evaluation process. Copies of all graded job descriptions that had been surveyed were forwarded to the Classification Division of the Fifth U. S. Civil Service Commission for their review prior to the audit which was scheduled to commence 1 December 1952. The Civilian Personnel Officer visited the Civil Service Commission in Atlanta during the month for the purpose of coordinating the classification survey.

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The Civilian Advisory Council met in the office of the Civilian Personnel Officer during the month. At the meeting it was agreed to hold regular monthly meetings of the Council, to be held on the first Monday of each month. Council members were informed of new regulations that were in the process of being published and other changes in policies and procedures pertaining to Civil Service matters.

The Civilian Personnel Office received information this month from the Army-Air Force Wage Board in Washington to the effect that, as a result of the recent survey, a recommendation had been made to the Wage Stabilization Board in Washington for an increase in the per hour rates for wage board employees ranging from one to eleven cents. The effective date of the increase would be the first pay period following 17 November 52, provided the Wage Stabilization Board approves the increase.

Training during the month consisted of pre-induction orientation for seven new employees. Arrangements were made with the Air Provost Marshal for the Security Indoctrination of all civilian employees. This training program consists of five one-hour lectures covering various phases of security. It is a mandatory requirement that all civilian employees complete this training. The dates for the training was set for 15 and 17 December at the Base Theater.

Authorized strength as of the end of November was 286, while the assigned strength was 284: 136 graded and 148 ungraded.

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On 13 February 1952, the Base Awards Committee met for the purpose of evaluating the suggestion of a Crash Rescue Knife invented by Mr. Velentine A. Blockwitz, Turner Fire Chief. 6/ An award of $200.00 was recommended by the committee and approved by the Base Commander. Mr. Blockwitz was formally presented with a check for $200.00 by the Base Commander on 21 February 1952.

From here, the knife was forwarded through channels to the Air Force Proving Ground at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio for complete tests. Information was received this month that the knife had been approved at Wright-Patterson AFB, and in a report signed by Colonel H. A. Boushey, chief of the equipment laboratory, stated that the V-blade knife is capable of severing the harnesses quickly and efficiently without subjecting the entrapped personnel to physical harm. 7/ Colonel Boushey further stated that "it is anticipated that the knife will become a standard item of rescue equipment and that its inventor should be commended for his ingenuity and his interest in the problem of crash rescue. 8/

6/ Ltr, USAF Proving Grounds, Wright-Patterson AFB, Dayton, Ohio, Subj: Crash Rescue Knife, signed by Col. H. A. Boushey, Chief of Equipment Laboratory. (On file, Hq Turner AFB, Ga.)

7/ Ibid.

8/ Photograph - V-shaped knife. (See Exhibit No. 3)

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Ground Safety

The Military Accident Rate for the month of November was 6.15, with two "on duty" and five "off duty" accidents. Of these, the 508th Fighter-Escort Wing had one "on duty" and two "off duty" accidents; the 811th Air Base Group had one "on duty" and three "off duty" accidents, while the 31st Fighter-Escort Wing MAR was 0.

There were six reportable injuries during the month. Two were due to private motor vehicle operation; civilian cars in each case turned left without warning in front of the military driver. There was one injury due to sports, one due to an altercation and two due to pedestrian falls.

There was one government vehicle accident during the month, with no damage to the government vehicle, but slight damage to the civilian vehicle.

Motor vehicle accidents were the most numerous during November. Two injuries were attributable to this cause, both occurring under similar circumstances. In both cases, civilian drivers turned left in front of the private cars operated by an airman.

The "Summary of Ground Safety Activities" for November was forwarded to Headquarters Second Air Force with the following information included:

Number of safety meetings held: 127; attendance: 150 civilian and 11,944 military; total: 12,094.

Safety films shown: "Motor Vehicle Operator," five times to driver classes; "Defensive Driving," of the Sgt. Bruce series, four

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times to squadron orientations; "Your Word of Honor," three times at the Base Theater, attendance: 1700.

The Ground Safety Director submitted a plan to the Executive Ground Safety Council for markings and a highly visible sign at the junction of the Base Access Road and U.S. Highway No. 82, showing the route to the Base.

Ground Safety Brief, Volume V, No. 12 and Ground Safety Bulletin Volume V, Number 11, dated 12 December 1952 were published and disseminated to all units on the base as well as to higher headquarters. A comparison of frequency rates and costs to date, and a "Report of Disabling Injuries through November 1952," are included in these bulletins, copies of which can be found in the Appendix. 9/

The Executive Ground Safety Council held its regular monthly meeting in the Air Base Group Conference Room on 5 November 1952. Minutes of the meeting are also included in the Appendix. 10/

9/ Ground Safety Brief, Vol V, No. 12 and Ground Safety Bulletin, Vol V, Number 11. (See Exhibits Nos. 4 and 5.)

10/ Minutes of Ground Safety Council Meeting. (See Exhibit No. 6)

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Personal Affairs

Captain John M. Wharton, Personal Affairs Officer since March, 1951, returned to civilian life this month and was replaced by Second Lieutenant Robert M. Pite, formerly the Assistant Personal Affairs Officer and Air Force Aid Society Custodian.11/

The non-commissioned officer in charge of the Personal Affairs Office made several general talks on personal affairs to the 308th Fighter-Escort Squadron during the month. Future talks were planned as part of the Saturday morning training schedule of all squadrons on the base. These talks give personnel of the base an insight and general knowledge of all matters such as Government Life Insurance (in service and after), allotments, benefits to dependents, casualty assistance, and other miscellaneous matters connected with the personal affairs field.

A complete review of all the personal affairs of personnel of the 508th Fighter-Escort Wing was initiated this month. A separate period of time was set aside for processing each individual squadron.

As of the end of the month seven squadrons of the Air Base Group had purchased a total of 208 bonds, or 61 percent of the Air Base Group goal. The two wings, Air Base Group and 40th Air Division Headquarters altogether purchased a total of 519 bonds since the campaign began on 7 October. The campaign will end on 7 December 1952.

The Turner Chapter, Air Force Aid Society, made a total of 48 loans this month, totalling $2,300.00. A check in the amount of $1,815.00 to cover installment payments on Life Memberships which were

11/ So 272, par 13, Hq 40th Air Div, dtd 14 Nov 52. (On file, Hq Turner AFB, Ga.)

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pledged in the 1952 Air Force Aid Society Membership Campaign, was forwarded through channels to the Chief, Headquarters Unit, Air Force Aid Society, Washington, D. C.12/ A check for $4,403.00 representing the Aid Society's share (10%) of the net proceeds from the Sowega National Sports Car Races was accepted by the Personal Affairs Officer. 13/

Personnel Services

Education:

Considerable progress was made this month in the division of the Information and Education functions of the Former Information and Education Office, as directed by Second Air Force and Strategic Air Command. 14/ The internal Information Program was being held jointly by the Education Office and the Information Services Office, formerly Public Information Office. Normal information activity within squadrons has been maintained.

The second on-duty elementary school, which was begun on 8 September 1952, was completed in 14 November 1952. This school consisted of 68 students in three classes. Of the original enrollment, 31 successfully completed the course, 33 were withdrawn and three students are still being instructed individually. Of the number

12/ Hist. Rpt, Base Personal Affairs Offc, Nov 1952, signed by 2nd Lt. Robert M. Pite, Personal Affairs Officer. (On file, Hq Turner AFB, Ga.)

13/ Ibid.

14/ Ltr, file SA 320, Subj: Instructions on New Information Organization and Budget Limitations, dtd 17 Jul 52. (On file, Hq Turner AFB, Ga.)

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withdrawn, 21 were withdrawn due to excessive absences, eight were transferred and eight were withdrawn due to duty conflict. The ACE test was subsequently administered those who completed this course to determine what progress had been made. Twenty of the 31 given this test made sufficient scores to qualify for some form of technical training, where previously none had been able to do so.

A Spanish group study class was begun this month. This class is held once weekly on Tuesdays from 1900 to 2100 hours, with 19 students currently enrolled. Mrs. Carol Lundbeck of Albany is serving as instructor.

The college program continued normal operation this month. The problem of absenteeism, which had threatened to become serious, showed considerable improvement this month.

Sports

The Special Services Officer held a three-day clinic this month to promote better officiating between the squadron basketball coaches and officials during the intra-mural basketball season. The coaches and officials heard lectures and rules as well as responsibilities of a good official.

Turner's basketball team won five games over a two-week period during this month. The team opened its season against the Purple Heart team of Albany.

A pre-season tournament was played on the base the first of the month in order to give the squadrons some practice before the intra-mural basketball league games started. The Medical Squadron

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came out on top of the single elimination tournament. The intramural league started with 16 teams in the league. The league will continue for approximately four months, with each squadron playing 15 games.

Service Club

The Service Club held its regularly scheduled dances each week during the month. Bingo parties were held during the month also.

Junior hostesses from Tifton and Albany USO Clubs attended the dance at the Service Club on 10 November when Frank Boone and his orchestra played. The dance was well attended by Turner airmen. Approximately 150 airmen attended the USO's formal Thanksgiving Dance at the American Legion Club in Albany on 28 November.

Library

Thirty-three new books were added to the library collection this month, 29 of which were bought with non-appropriated funds, three were surplus books obtained from the Presidio, and the remaining book was a legal one. Some of these books were reviewed by the Base Librarian in the weekly base newspaper.

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OPERATIONS AND TRAINING

III - OPERATIONS AND TRAINING

The 40th Air Division furnished six F-84 aircraft to participate in the aerial flyovers over Birmingham, Alabama, and one F-84 aircraft for display purposes during the activities of the day at the United States Naval Air Station in Birmingham on 11 November, Armistice Day.

The Air Division Director of Operations published a directive this month setting up an SOP for Saturday morning training schedules as pertains to Division reviews and inspections. 15/

Once each quarter a Division Review is held with all assigned units participating, and a personnel and arms inspection is conducted by each unit once each month. A division review was held at 0800 hours, Saturday morning, 1 November, and was followed by an inspection of personnel and area of the 811th Motor Vehicle Squadron by the Division Commander.

Other Saturday morning training schedules consisted of character guidance, military courtesy and discipline lectures, Close Order drills and Manual of Arms.

The Air Base Training Flight section conducted Atomic-Biological-Chemical Warfare training for 319 officers and airmen this month. Eleven officers were indoctrinated in Basic Survival principles.

The Range Section of the Air Base Training Flight fired 536 airmen with the U.S. Carbine Caliber .30; 56 officers with U.S. Pistol,

15/ Ltr, Hq 40th Air Div, file DOP 353, Subj: Saturday Training Schedule, dtd 12 Nov 52. (See Exhibit No. 7)

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Caliber .45; 16 Officers with the U.S. Revolver Caliber .38, and 20 Airmen with the Submachine Gun, Caliber .45.

On 4 November 1952, 73 Airmen completed four weeks Air Police Indoctrination Course. Upon completion of this course the Airmen were assigned to Central Security Control for two months on-the-job training. During the four weeks of formal training the Airmen received 51 hours of combative conditioning (march conditioning, organized sports and unarmed defense); 48 hours of tactics (extended order drill, cover and movement, map reading, offensive-defensive , retrograde tactics, organization of security flight, drills, ceremonies and inspections; 32 hours training with weapons (M-1 Rifle, .45 cal. pistol, carbine, .30 caliber light machine gun, .30 cal. automatic rifle, shotgun, rocket launcher, grenades, demolition, M3A1-machine gun .45 caliber, and range firing); six hours definition of Security, six hours of Intelligence, six hours of Leadership, and four hours of Security Force Organization.

The F-84-10 Mobile Training Detachment, consisting of 13 enlisted personnel and one officer from Scott Air Force Base, Illinois, was set up in Air Base Training Flight's building on 3 November to familiarize 508th and 31st Wing crew and maintenance men with the different systems of the F-84 aircraft. This is being done by means of working mock-ups. Some of the working demonstrations include cut-away of the jet engine, the hydraulic systems of both the main and nose gear and the aileron boost, the electrical systems, and the canopy and seat

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ejection system. With the mock-ups are the low-pressure fuel systems, the in-flight refueling system, as well as the armament, gunsight, and communication systems. Also included with the unit are instrument trainers and a J-2 compass trainer.

Personnel assigned to the Fire Department spent 61 hours on structural training and 25 hours on crash training during the month.

Base Operations

The Base Operations Dispatch Section processed 321 incoming flights, 296 outgoing flights, 21 Round-Robin flights, and 34 local flights which included instrument training flights, operational mission and minimum individual training flights.

Two instrument checks were given this month of which were for green cards (AF Form 8A). One of these checks was in C-47 type aircraft and one was in T-6 type aircraft. Both cars were issued to pilots in the 811th Air Base Group.

The percentages of AF Regulation 60-2 requirements completed by pilots assigned or attached to Base Flight for flying for the month of November were as follows: (Percentages are based on the maximum of 65 hours proficiency, nine hours night and 10 hours hood and/or weather. The average number of pilots assigned or attached was 31.)

Proficiency.....78%

Night.....85%

Hood and/or Weather.....89%

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During the month of November, there were 31 rated officers, one medical observer, one flight surgeon, one medical examiner, and 14 airmen assigned or attached to Base Flight for flying purposes.

Data on Base Flight aircraft, including airplane and flying time for the month of November is listed separately in the Appendix. 16/

Base Communications Center

The following projects of the Base Communications Center were being administered as of the end of the month:

Project No. SAC-TU-2-TEL-52, Inside Plant. This project will provide a new 800 line 701-A PBX dial exchange in the new Base Communications Center scheduled to start construction in April 1953 and be completed in October 1953. Actual work on this project has not begun since projects of this nature require approximately nine months lead time to procure equipment. No cost is involved to the government other than actual rental.

Project No. SAC-TU-1-52, Outside Cable Plant Expansion. This project was approximately 60 percent complete at the end of the month. Completion of this project was scheduled for 31 December 1952.

Project No. SAC-TU-1-TIC-52, Teletalk Facilities for Turner Air Force Base. Considerable difficulty has been experienced with this project due to last minute changes required by using activities plus the requirements for inter-communication imposed by Second Air Force for central security control. Tie lines between master stations will

16/ Table of Airplane and Flying Time. (See Exhibit No. 8)

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completed with the outlined plant project. To insure that each using activity will have the required teletalk facilities, a letter and a diagram of the teletalk system was sent to each Wing requesting final modification. Scheduled completion date is 31 December 1952.

A new fire reporting switchboard was installed in Building No. 1003, structural fire and crash reporting station. This switchboard was not provided with auxiliary batteries to operate in event of power failure. The telephone company was advised of this and auxiliary batteries will be installed next month.

Due to a new criteria set up by Headquarters USAF for fire reporting switchboards, the above switchboard will be changed to the new type in approximately 30 weeks. The new type will provide a constant line test on all telephones connected to it and in the event of trouble a visual indicator light will come on advising the operator. This feature is not obtainable in the 551-B manual switchboard presently installed.

Physical Conditioning

The Physical Conditioning Unit averages showed an increase in use of 83.4 percent over the previous month. The substantial increase is attributed to the return of the 31st Fighter-Escort Wing and the more fully operational status of the 508th Fighter-Escort Wing. A breakdown of physical conditioning of tactical pilots and non-tactical personnel, together with the number of hours expended for daily treatments, is included in the appendix. 17/ The judo combative course for Air Base Group officers was started the 17th of November and will continue for eight weeks.

17/ Physical Conditioning Rpt as of 29 Nov 52. (See Exhibit No. 9)

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AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Captain Jack R. Miller, Operations Officer for the 508th Fighter-Escort Wing, received his first Oak Leaf Cluster to the Distinguished Flying Cross and his nineteenth Oak Leaf Cluster to the Air Medal from Colonel Thayer S. Olds, 40th Air Division Commander, in a ceremony at Air Division Headquarters on 4 November 1952. 18/

Captain Miller won his DFC for his part in a "piggy-back" air rescue 30,000 feet above a Korean battlefield in November, 1951. The captain received the Air Medal for participating in close support fighter bomber missions in Korea from October, 1951 to December, 1951.

Colonel Olds also presented a commendation ribbon to Captain William R. Hall of the 467th Fighter-Escort Squadron in a ceremony at Air Division Headquarters on 1 November, for meritorious service as operations officer of the 149th Fighter-Bomber Group during the period 16 - 28 August 1951. 19/

Captain Hall reported to Turner Air Force Base from Bergstrom Air Force Base on 2 September 1952.

18/ Photograph - Col. Olds presenting clusters to Capt. Miller. (See Exhibit No. 10)

19/ Photograph - Col Olds presenting commendation ribbon to Captain Hall. (See Exhibit No. 11)

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IV - MATERIEL

During the first ten days of November preliminary logistical support was furnished by the Base Materiel Office for the 508th Fighter-Escort Wing gunnery mission at Matagorda Island, Texas. Additional support was furnished this mission throughout the month by Base Materiel Section and Base Supply.

On 13 November, a Supply Conference was held at this base to discuss logistical and maintenance problems, procedures and related activities between depots and bases. Representatives from Headquarters Second, Moody Air Force Base, Pinecastle Air Force Base, Shaw Air Force Base, Pope Air Force Base, Randolph Air Force Base, Robins Air Force Base, WRAMA, and Turner Air Force Base attended the conference. The following subjects, in addition to the above, were reviewed and discussed:

1. Excessive time lapse in procurement of AOCP items.
2. Re-fill of oxygen bail-out bottles.
3. Cancellation of T/O&E requisitions.
4. Authority (ECL) on request for UEE property.
5. Disposition of excess items.

Results of this conference were highly satisfactory and a better understanding of problems concerning both the depot and operating organizations was reached. 20/

20/ Disposition Form, Subj: Hist. Report for November, Base Materiel Section, dtd 10 Dec 52, signed by Major Leaford Bearskin. (On file, Hq Turner AFB, Ga.)

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On 20 November Lt. Col. Chester M. Campbell, Base Materiel Officer, and Mr. William McGough, Organization and Methods Examiner, attended a conference at Headquarters Second Air Force on implementation of the new UAL-BAL (Unit Allowance List - Base Allowance List) supply system. Upon completion of this conference an indoctrination of all materiel and supply personnel was accomplished and the UAL-BAL system implementation was scheduled to be started on 1 December 1952. 21/

A Unit Supply inspection schedule was initiated by the Base Materiel Section this month and will remain in effect indefinitely.

For the month of November, 45,215 stock record cards were maintained and a total of 25,702 line items processed. The supply effectiveness figure was 80 percent. The AOCP percentage was 5.4 and the ANFE percentage was 5.8. The VOCM percentage was .008 and the VOCP percentage for the month was .01.

COMMISSARY SALES STORE

Commissary sales for the month of November amounted to $34,432.07. With the increased sales in the commissary store, a number of new items were added, however, the available warehouse space limits the stock levels that should be carried. In an effort to overcome this problem, the commissary has had to order smaller quantities, and more frequently.

21/ Disposition Form, Subj: Hist. Report for November, signed by Major Bearskin. (On file, Hq Turner AFB, Ga.

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BASE EXCHANGE

Sales for the month of November were $56,325.87 as compared to $51,325.87. This increase in volume has brought the net profit up to the minimum for this fiscal year. 22/

The Base Exchange Officer attended a conference at the Atlanta Regional Office, Atlanta, Georgia on procurement of Air Force clothing items for the Region Exchanges.

Christmas sales in the toy shop showed a sharp increase this month and are expected to continue to increase during the pre-holiday weeks.

PROPERTY DISPOSAL

The allocation of 10,000 pounds of wrecked aircraft and aluminum was completed this month along with a contract between M. Kimerling and Sons, Birmingham, Alabama and this base to remove the material early in December. 23/

PURCHASING AND CONTRACTING

The Purchasing and Contracting Officer attended a Procurement Conference at Headquarters Strategic Air Command, Offutt Air Force Base, Nebraska, during the period 18 - 20 November. Lectures were given by representatives of USAF, AMC and SAC on all phases of procurement. 24/

22/ Ltr, Subj: Hist. of Base Exchange for Nov '52, dtd 4 Dec 52, signed by Capt. George F. Bunt, Exchange Officer. (On file, Hq Turner AFB,Ga.)

23/ Hist. of 811th Supply Sq for Nov 52, page 7, signed by 2nd Lt. James L. Andrick. (On file, Hq Turner AFB, Ga.)

24/ Ltr, Subj: Hist. Rpt of P&C Office for Nov '52, signed by Capt. Joseph B. Carroll, P&C Officer. (On file, Hq Turner AFB, Ga.)

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Final approval was secured this month on five formal contracts, as follows:

Contract No.	Contractor	Description	Amount
91	Atlanta Lighting Co Atlanta, Georgia	Attic Fans	$46,304.00
92	J. K. Prince Albany, Georgia	Paint and Dope Storage Building	10,482.00
93	Newcomb Company Albany, Georgia	Packing and Crating	46,868.75
94	Pope Electric Company	Fluorescent Lights	4,164.00
95	A. C. Samford, Inc.	Storage Warehouse	21,900.00

Nine invitations to bid on formal contracts were prepared and circulated to interested bidders of which three resulted in Contracts 93, 94 and 95 above. The remaining six were as follows:

Contract No.	Description
53-22	Replacement of Hangar Doors
53-23	Air Conditioning Two Buildings
53-24	Milk - Colonial Dairies
53-25	Bread - American Bakery Co.
53-26	Ice Cream - Foremost Dairies
53-27	Ice - Atlantic Ice Co.

Two hundred and fifty-seven Purchase and/or Delivery Orders were written and 318 documents were completed for payment this month. The number of Petty Cash purchases were reduced to 58 for this month.

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INSTALLATIONS

Projects being administered by Air Installations and the Savannah District Engineers and the status of the projects as of the end of the month are listed in the Appendix. 25/

25/ List of Projects - Air Installations (See Exhibit No. 12)

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V - SPECIAL PROJECTS

Armed Forces Blood Donor Program

Turner squadrons responded with a total of 297 pints of blood when the Red Cross Bloodmobile visited the base on 19 November, almost reaching the base-wide quota of 316 pints. This is an impressive increase over the 109 pints donated during the October visit.

This was the last visit to Turner for the Bloodmobile in 1952 due to forthcoming Christmas holidays. More trips were slated for 1953, beginning in January.

During this year, Turner contributed 2,158 pints to the Armed Forces Blood program in ten trips to the base. Since the campaign began in November, 1951, Turner AFB has contributed a total of 2,654 pints.

A breakdown of the squadron donations for the November visit follows:

811th Supply Squadron	-	62
31st Armament & Electronics Sq	-	36
811th Operations Squadron	-	35
811th Installations Squadron	-	23
811th Motor Vehicle Squadron	-	17
811th Food Service Squadron	-	15
811th Air Police Squadron	-	12
Hq, 811th Air Base Group	-	11
31st Field Maintenance Squadron	-	10

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508th Armament and Electronics Squadron	-	11
31st Medical Group	-	9
AACS Detachment	-	9
309th Ftr-Escort Squadron	-	8
Hq 31st Ftr-Escort Wing	-	7
Civilians	-	7
Hq 508th Ftr-Escort Wing	-	6
307th Ftr-Escort Squadron	-	2
468th Ftr-Escort Squadron	-	2
466th Ftr-Escort Squadron	-	1

UNITED SHARING APPEAL DRIVE

Turner personnel participated in the drive this month for funds to support the local Community Chest organization (Dougherty Public Solicitations), which commenced the first of November and ended the 30th of November.

Colonel Olds, Division Commander, appointed the Wing and Air Base Group Commanders as project officers for the solicitation.

The total contribution of the base -- $3,195.34 -- will be divided according to needs among The Georgia Heart Association, the American Cancer Society, the Boy Scouts, Child Welfare, Community Welfare Corporation, USO, Salvation Army, United Service Organization, YMCA, and the Administration of the DPS Headquarters.

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AIRMEN LIVING IMPROVEMENT FUND

The 811th Supply Squadron was presented a check for $500.00 this month by Colonel Olds as winner in the October Sports Car Races contest. 26/ The men in the Supply Squadron solicited $9,768 for the Airmen's Living Improvement Fund, 592 percent of their assigned quota.

26/ Photograph - Col. Olds presenting Check to Major Loeffler, CO, Supply Squadron. (See Exhibit No. 13)

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RELATIONS WITH OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

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VI - RELATIONS WITH OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

Turner officers were hosts to the Albany Marine Corps officers and their wives at a formal dance at the Base Officers Club on Saturday, 22 November.

It was the first such function between officers of Turner Air Force Base and the Marine Depot, and did much toward increasing friendliness between the two services in Albany. 27/

The Division Commander visited MacDill Air Force Base, Tampa, Florida on 12 November for the purpose of assisting MacDill personnel in the forthcoming sports car races to be held there in February 1953.

27/ Photograph - Col. Olds, Col. Easton, Col. Wilson, and Brig. Gen. Raymond P. Coffman, at Base Officers Club. (See Exhibit No. 14)

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MORALE AND RECREATION

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VII - MORALE AND RECREATION

Morals and morale are uniformly good and at a steady level at this base, however, there are a few isolated cases of mal content which is to be expected at a base of this size. 28/

Greater emphasis has been placed on the guidance and counseling of newly joined airmen. Each airman reporting to the base on a permanent change of station is interviewed by his Squadron Commander and one of the base chaplains. Along with this same program of character guidance, the chaplains give monthly lectures to all personnel as part of the Saturday training period.

The month of November found 1,046 personnel being personally counseled by the chaplains on more than a mere contact basis. Forty-eight visits were made to the Dependents' Clinic and Base Hospital by Base chaplains. There is a chaplain assigned to the hospital to take care of the needs of the patients, and one assigned to the guardhouse for the spiritual guidance of the men there.

The intra-mural sports program in which a large number of base personnel participate, helps in the development of healthy minds and bodies through vigorous competitive exercise.

The Food Service Squadron provided an exceptionally fine dinner at the Airmen's dining hall on Thanksgiving Day. A great deal of effort was expended in preparation and decoration of the dining hall for the

28/ Chaplain's Report, signed by Major Luther McArthur, Base Chaplain. (On file, Hq Turner AFB, Ga.)

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A special Thanksgiving Day program was conducted in the Base Chapel by Chaplains Luther McArthur and George Waldon.

Other Thanksgiving Day activities included a dance at the USO in Albany. The Service Club on the base was open all day, beginning its open house program with a coffee hour in the morning.

Plans were made this month by the Base Chaplains for a Christmas Party for dependents of enlisted personnel to be held on 20 December.

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COMMUNITY RELATIONS

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VIII - COMMUNITY RELATIONS

During the week 10-16 November, Albany citizens observed "USO Pal Week," to show Turner airmen how much they are appreciated by the citizens in their "home away from home." Airmen were extended invitations by Albany civic clubs and a number of Albanians to attend special luncheons and programs sponsored by them.

Turner airmen were invited to attend a street dance in downtown Albany on 8 November, sponsored by the Albany Chamber of Commerce.

Albany city officials and Turner officials met this month with a view toward promoting better relations between Albany police authorities and Turner military personnel. It was agreed that Air Policemen would work with the local police in downtown Albany to see how local law enforcement agents handle military cases.

Turner personnel attended Albany civic club luncheon meetings of the Lions, Kiwanis, Rotary and Exchange Clubs each week during the month.

Captain L. O. Savage, Base Information Services Officer, spoke at the American Legion Hall in Moultrie, Georgia on 9 November.

Staff Sergeant Paul J. Anthony addressed the Albany Junior Chamber of Commerce at Radium Springs on 17 November.

Base Chaplains conducted eight services in civilian churches and visited 32 civilian clergy during the month.

Fifteen radio broadcasts were conducted over Albany Radio Stations WGPC and WALB - eight by the Information Services Office and seven by Base Chaplains.

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News coverage of sports, society, spot news and feature articles published by the Base Newspaper Office in various news media for the month of November totalled 221 column inches.

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MISCELLANEOUS

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IX - MISCELLANEOUS

An Inspection team from Headquarters Second Air Force arrived this base on 4 November to conduct an inspection of the 40th Air Division and assigned units. The inspection was concluded on 8 November.

The Division Commander and Base Commander attended a farewell dinner at Headquarters Second Air Force on 20 November in honor of Major General Joseph H. Atkinson, former Commanding General of Second Air Force. The Division and Base Commanders also attended the Commanders Conference on that date.

A group of officers from MacDill Air Force Base, including Colonel E. H. Merchant, Base Commander, visited the Air Division and Base Commanders and other relative to the staging of a sports car race there in February, 1953.

Other visitors to this base during the month included Reverned Harvey Kester, who is the Field Representative for the American Baptist Convention, and Dr. A. E. Cowley, Pastor of Walnut Hills Baptist Church, Cincinnati, Ohio, who was the guest speaker at the Protestant Worship Service on 30 November, 1952.

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ROSTER OF KEY PERSONNEL

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X - ROSTER OF KEY PERSONNEL

As of 1 November 1952

40th Air Division Headquarters

Colonel Thayer S. Olds	Division Commander
Colonel Joe R. Williams	Director of Personnel (Prim dy) Executive Officer (Add dy)
Colonel Robert P. Montgomery	Director of Operations
Lt. Col. Lawrence J. Pickett	Operations Staff Officer
Major Harry P. Wagner	Operations Staff Officer

811th Air Base Group

Colonel John J. Easton	Commanding Officer
Lt. Col. John L. Wright	Deputy Commanding Officer
Major Edmond L. Fortin	Base Adjutant
Lt. Col. Chester M. Campbell	Base Materiel Officer
Major Robert T. Forrest	Base Operations and Training Officer
Major William H. Milnor	Base Personnel Officer
Major Henry C. Kelley	Base Comptroller
1st Lt. Richard F. McClure	Acting Base Manpower and Organization Officer
Major John S. Dennis	Base Legal Officer
Major Luther W. McArthur	Base Chaplain
Captain Lawrence O. Savage	Base Information Services Officer
Major Robert T. Forrest	CO, 811th Operations Squadron

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Major Johnnie P. Harlow	CO, 811th Air Police Squadron and Air Provost Marshal
Major Melford Loeffler	CO, 811th Supply Squadron
Major George Noga	Base Accountable Officer
Captain William V. Favor	CO, 811th Motor Vehicle Squadron
Captain Frank D. Furlow	CO, 811th Installations Squadron
Captain Charles W. McRae	CO, 811th Food Service Squadron
Captain Joseph G. Guggino	CO, Headquarters Squadron Section, 811th Air Base Group

As of 30 November 1952

40th Air Division Headquarters

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Lt. Col. Chester M. Campbell	Base Materiel Officer
Major Harry A. Mintz	Acting Base Operations and Training Officer
Major William H. Wilnor	Base Personnel Officer

Major Henry C. Kelley	Base Comptroller
Lt. Col. Fred L. Houck	Base Manpower Management Officer
Major John S. Dennis	Staff Judge Advocate
Major Luther W. McArthur	Base Chaplain
Captain Lawrence O. Savage	Base Information Services Officer
Major Harry A. Mintz	Acting CO, 811th Operations Squadron
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811th Installations Squadron
811th Supply Squadron
811th Motor Vehicle Squadron

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APPENDIX

HEADQUARTERS 811TH AIR BASE GROUP
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

GENERAL ORDERS)
NUMBER 8)

18 November 1952

1. Verbal orders of Commanding Officer 5 November 1952 announcing the appointment of LIEUTENANT COLONEL (7344) FRED L HOUCK, [illegible]0281155, United States Air Force, Headquarters 811th Air Base Group, Base Manpower Management Officer (Duty AFSC 7331), effective 5 November 1952, are confirmed, exigencies of the services having been such as to preclude the issuance of competent written orders in advance.

BY ORDER OF COLONEL [illegible]STON:

OFFICIAL:

EDMOND L. FORTIN
Major, USAF
Adjutant

THOMAS M. MacGLOTHLIN
2d Lt., USAF
Asst. Adjutant

DISTRIBUTION:
2 officer concerned
2 Squadron CO concerned
5 CG Second AF
5 CO 40th ADiv
20 CO 31st FE Wg
20 CO 508th FE Wg
30 CO 811th AB Gp
4 Historical Officer
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EXHIBIT NO. 1

TABLE OF SCHOOLS

STATUS OF TRAINING WITH REGARD TO SCHOOLS - 811th AIR BASE GROUP

NOVEMBER 1952

Airmen attending schools as of 1 November 1952	-	268
Airmen departed for schools in November 1952	-	41
Airmen returned from schools in November 1952	-	35
Airmen attending schools as of 30 November 1952	-	262
Officers attending schools as of 1 November 1952	-	11
Officers departed for schools in November 1952	-	1
Officers returned from schools in November 1952	-	0
Officers attending schools as of 30 November 1952	-	12

One officer departed this month for Manpower School at Headquarters Strategic Air Command, Offutt Air Force Base, Omaha, Nebraska.

Following list is a breakdown, by course, of the airmen who departed for schools during the month of November 1952:

13 - Vehicle Opr Instructor, Francis E. Warren AFB, Wyoming

1 - Welfare Specialist, Fort Slocum, New York.

1 - Basic Budget Accouting and Disbursing, Lowry AFB, Colorado.

2 - Organizational Supply Specl, Francis E. Warren AFB, Wyoming.

1 - Roads and Grounds Supervisor, Ft. Belvoir, Virginia.

1 - General Drafting, Ft. Belvoir, Virginia.

6 - Aircraft Mechanic (PCS), Sheppard AFB, Texas

1 - Radio Operator, Keesler AFB, Mississippi

1 - T3-FEP Facisimile Equipment, Scott AFB, Illinois

1 - Communications Machine Facisimile Equipment, Francis E. Warren AFB.

EXHIBIT NO. 2

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TABLE OF SCHOOLS (Cont'd)

1 - AN/ARC 33 Radio Set, Scott AFB, Illinois

1 - AN/ARC 27 Radio Set, Scott AFB, Illinois

5 - Warehouse Specialist (ADV), Francis E. Warren AFB, Wyoming.

2 - Supply Inspection Tech. Francis E. Warren AFB, Wyoming.

1 - Petroleum Supply Specialist, Tillamook, Oregon.

3 - Personnel Specialist, Scott AFB, Illinois

William H. Milnor

WILLIAM H. MILNOR
Major, USAF
Base Personnel Officer

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Fireman demonstrates wearing of gear needed on crash rescue mission. V-shaped knife shown on his left is an invention of the fire chief, Val Blockwitz.

EXHIBIT NO. 3

GROUND SAFETY BRIEF

Work Safely
Play Safely
Volume V 12 December 1952
Number 12
Turner Air Force Base, Georgia

GREEN CROSS FOR SAFETY

A MONTHLY NEWS LETTER PUBLISHED BY THE BASE GROUND SAFETY OFFICE

SAFETY SAM SEZ:

A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to you all--

Some people are glad they're alive--after an accident especially.

The drink wears off but the headache lingers on.

Do you want to kill a child for Christmas? Just keep on driving when drinking.

The greatest Christmas present--the pursuit of happiness--without injury.

Freedom from care is a Christmas blessing--Lets not impose worry by our neglect.

Three fingers are worth about $3,000. Want to swap? Then use guards.

His goggles lacked the rubber insert--His eyes were damaged. Why not check and correct?

Locking the barn after the horse is gone is rather useless.

"An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure" Ben Franklin.

It has been wet and rainy. Have you lowered your speed?

He only ran a stop sign! You can visit him at the hospital.

Does a drunk merit a death sentence? Look out--don't hit him.

Loving kindness (merry) is the theme of Christmas. Courtesy expresses this feeling.

You hate? Drivers? Pedestrians? Jerks? Something is wrong--get off the road.

Start in time--
Get there safely--No drinking driving.
Return safely--No drinking driving.
"May the good Lord Bless and keep you."

SAFETY SAM.

EXHIBIT NO. 4

"Dad, what do you call a man who drives a truck?"
"That depends on how close he comes to me."

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"Dad, I'm in love with a girl."
"Son, you couldn't have made a better choice."

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~~He was gambling; he was drinking; he got hit in the eye. 3 days lost,~~ cost $90--Cure--Disciplinary action indicated.

He was passing a basketball--was guarded too closely and a finger stuck in his eye. 5 days lost. Cost: $150. Cure: Learn the game--don't guard too closely and illegally. If you want to fight, get boxing gloves.

He tried to outguess a wrong lane driver; they met headon. Lucky-only 5 days lost. Cost, $150. Cure: slow down, stop, give him the road. Drive defensively or maybe you'll have to quit driving.

He hesitated at a green light--so did the police car; they met in the middle of the intersection--no injuries. Cure: be patient.

This airman hit the wrong switch on an airplane--the tip tanks jettisoned--damage, $100. Cure: Why not be certain?

Towing a plane, the crew chief failed to use wing walkers as required by regulations and T/O's.

He used a guard as a handle, forgot his fingers were between the guard and the portable saw and let the guard and his hand go back into the blade. Result--3 fingers dropped into the sawdust; the fourth was badly cut. Cost, $10,500; he may not be able to do the same job. Cure: Use guards and use them properly for the protection which they are designed to give.

~~This individual walked across lots in the dark without a flashlight~~ and turned his ankle. Lost time, 7 days. Cost, $210. Cure: Stay on regular walkways or use a flashlight.

This man fell off a porch four steps high; broke his elbow at the joint. Lost time, 60 days; cost, $1,800. Cure: Place rails on the porch; "watch your step" alertness by the man. He was clearing the base; he was NOT drinking.

He slipped getting out of the bathtub; rung his chin on the edge. Lost time, 5 days, cost $150. Cure: Watch your step.

He was going over the speed limit west on Sylvester Road. A car cut in front of him making a left turn. They collided-both cars were demolished.

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His passenger lost 5 days, cost $150. Cure: Again and again and again--Defensive Driving. Look out for all four cars--The one ahead, the one behind, your car, and the one you don't see.

CHRISTMAS CUSTOMS

SANTA CLAUS (the real one)..is a bright suited body and good natured face for the spirit of liking-liking people, liking to live and grow up, liking something bigger than ourselves. Santa is people playing like the Lord, and the Lord playing like parents.

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THE EVERGREEN TREE...is the comfortable, peaceful, secure life we want to live, brightened by happy experiences placed carefully on the branches by our memories and by our hopes.

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THE HOLLY WREATH...is the crown of thorns and drops of blood of the crucifixion. It is also a red-and-green signal on the, saying "Stop" to carelessness and giving safe, sound living the right-of-way into the midst of the family for the year ahead.

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THE GIFT AND THE GREETING CARD...are special messangers that wear fancy disguises to hide the sender's self-consciousness. These messengers knock boldly at the door of somebody's heart and stand there, smiling, as though to say, "See how much they like you!"

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THE MISTLETOE...is the kiss of Good Luck, and this is one time when the deed is worth the risk taken!

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But---

THE TRAFFIC ACCIDENT... is an old and firmly established custom which should be eliminated from holiday practice--and from the whole year-round scene. It doesn't fit into a picture of friendly good will and free enjoyment in a growing-up civilized country.

And---

A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to you and yours from

Samuel Z. Orgel, Ground Safety Officer
Jack S. Phillips, NCOIC
Leroy F. Sterling, Inspector
Lester E. Fleming, Inspector
Henry J. Purser, Clerk and Inspector

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TURNER AIR FORCE BASE
GROUND SAFETY
BULLETIN

Volume V

Number 11
12 December 1952

REPORT OF DISABLING INJURIES THRU NOVEMBER

1952	Mtr Veh	PT & Sports	Job	Barracks & Home	Alt	Ped	Other	Total
Turner AFB								
Jan Thru Oct	23	24	15	9	8	6	5	90
November	2	1	0	1	1	2	0	7
TOTALS	25	25	15	10	9	8	5	97
1951 TAFB								
Jan thru Nov	18*****	10	6	4	8	5	2*	53
1952								
31st Fighter Esc Wing								
Jan thru Nov	8	6	5	4	1	3	1	28
November	(No Injuries during November)							
TOTALS	8	6	5	4	1	3	1	28
508th Fighter Esc Wing								
July thru Oct	2	1	0	1	0	0	0	4
November	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	3
TOTALS	2	2	0	2	0	1	0	7
811th Air Base Group								
Jan thru Oct	13	17	10	4	7	3	4	58
November	2	0	0	0	1	1	0	4
TOTALS	15	17	10	4	8	4	4	62

* Fatality

Motor vehicle accidents were the most numerous type during November as during October. Two injuries were attributable to this cause, both occurring under similar circumstances. In both cases civilian drivers turned left in front of the private car operated by an airman. In neither case did the idea of DEFENSIVE DRIVING seem to enter the minds of the military driver. In one case the military driver was definitely exceeding the 30 mph speed limit at the time of the accident. Both were experienced drivers and both should have, and probably did, recognize the dangers of the situation. The accidents may have been avoided or minimized if the drivers had CHECKED THEIR SPEED SHARPLY (slowed down) at the first indication of danger.

EXHIBIT NO. 5

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Defensive driving saves dollars as well as injuries. One man boasted to this writer that he had allowed a road hog going around head for what was apparently a bad smash-up by not letting him back in line. This is defenseless driving. Defensive driving, by contrast, seeks to avoid smash-ups by quick thinking and prompt action. Get your men to try this. They may be next, especially with the Christmas Holidays coming up.

CHRISTMAS & NEW YEARS HOLIDAYS AND DRIVING ACCIDENTS

With the holidays coming the problem of driving while on leave comes up again. It would be a wise move, probably, for each Squadron Commander to caution his men on this score. Some of the points to be taken up include:

1. Hours of darkness comes early; periods of daylight are much shorter.
2. It has been proven by statistics that more and worse accidents occur from night driving - so - men should be advised not to drive at night if possible, and then to reduce speed to between 40 and 50 mph.
3. Start in time to get to the destination without pushing.
4. Rest before starting back, and start back in time. It is wise for men to realize that being a few minutes late is not as serious as being injured or dead.
5. Look out for drinking drivers, who are especially numerous at this time of year.
6. Don't be a drinking driver.
7. Observe all road rules: Get car in safe condition.
8. Drive DEFENSIVELY.

DRINKING DRIVER

There was a great increase in October in arrests for "DUI". Don't be fooled by the argument that these people were arrested without cause, having had only "2 beers." A review of the records shows that some definite traffic violation indicative of a reckless driver preceded each arrest, the driver then being found to be "DUI", not slightly, but well under the influence of intoxicants. As the result of a series of talks during November, this total declined materially. There were two arrests on 1 December for DUI. Indoctrination should continue on this theme, it is believed, until the Holiday Season is past. It is not intended to ask men not to drink. It is important that they do not drive when or after drinking. (This applies to the Ground Safety Officer, too. His wife is a teetotaler. So are his sons. They drive.)

CHRISTMAS TREE CAUTIONS

1. Keep the tree in wet sand, so that it will remain moist.
2. Spraying the tree with sodium silicate helps. However, this is not fool proof as the tree may catch fire. Keep it moist.
3. Do not use inflammable decorations or candles in the room. Decorations must be fire resistant. Electric lights for trees that are in good condition are best.
4. Use two wire lights when possible as series lights are more dangerous. Be sure connections are good and wires have no breaks. Do not hook wires over metal ornaments.

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5. It is much safer to cut off lights when tree is not attended. This applies especially to indoor trees.

6. Squadrons on the Base must have trees treated and installation approved by the Fire Department.

7. Privately owned trees should be treated. Contact the Fire Department for necessary information.

8. Do not by any means use cotton, cotton batting or similar material at the base of trees. A sheet is much safer.

MERRY XMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR!

As the Holiday Season approaches we of the Ground Safety Section, as well as everyone that we know, feel the mellowness of the season. We hope that all will forgive us our many shortcomings. Let us all start the New Year with a clean slate, determined to devote ourselves to the cause of Safety. We hope, with all our hearts, that 1953 will bring less suffering, injury, loss and maybe death than 1952.

Yours for Safety

Samuel Z. Orgel, Ground Safety Officer
Jack S. Phillips, NCOIC
Leroy F. Sterling, Inspector
Lester C. Fleming, Inspector
Henry J. Fuller, Clerk and Inspector

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HEADQUARTERS
811th Air Base Group
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE GROUND SAFETY COUNCIL

1. Under the provisions of AF Manual 32-3a, dated December 1950, and CAC Regulation 32-4, dated 7 Nov 1951, the Executive Ground Safety Council convened for a regular meeting in the Conference Room, Base Headquarters at 1500 hours 5 November 1952.

a. Members Present:

Lt Col Albert M. Van Sickle	Base Surgeon
Lt Col Chester M. Campbell, Jr.	Base Materiel Officer
Maj George D. Williams	Assistant Materiel Officer 508th Fighter Escort Wing
Maj Allan R. Kyle	Assistant Base Provost Marshal
Maj Robert T. Forrest	Base Operations and Training Officer
Maj William H. Milner	Base Personnel Officer
Maj Ieaford Bearskin	Base Transportation Officer
Capt William V. Favor, Jr.	Base Motor Pool Officer
Capt Frank D. Furlow	Base Installations Officer
1st Lt Ben F. Sands	Assistant Personnel Officer 31st Fighter Escort Wing
Mr. George F. Johnston	Civilian Personnel Officer
Mr. Samuel E. Orgel	Ground Safety Officer

b. Members Absent:

Lt Col John L. Wright	Base Executive Officer
Maj John S. Dennis	Base Legal Officer

c. The minutes of the previous meeting were read.

2. Unfinished Business:

a. Reference paragraph 4a, Minutes of Executive Ground Safety Council, this Headquarters, for October, 1952, it was reported that the marking of the ramp for traffic control had not yet been executed. This is now a top priority project, to be completed at once.

b. Reference paragraph 2a, Minutes of Executive Ground Safety Council, this Headquarters, for October, 1952, the Base Installations Officer stated that the ramp marking took priority and was a project of considerable size in man-days. He suggested the use of prison labor by the Provost Marshal to complete the lane markings around Base Headquarters. This was agreed to by the Provost Marshal.

EXHIBIT NO. 6

b. That newly arrived airmen be oriented in Ground Safety as a group at least monthly.

c. That highly visible signs be erected at the junction of US Hy #82 and the Access Road, showing the route to the Base.

d. That the Ground Safety Scroll for October be awarded to Headquarters 815th Air Base Group.

6. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 1600 hours.

t/s/ALBERT V. VAN SICKLE
Lt Col USAFMC
Acting Chairman

APPROVED

t/s/JOHN J. EASTON
Colonel USAF
Commanding

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c. Reference paragraph 2b, Minutes of Executive Ground Safety Council, this Headquarters, for October, 1952, it was noted that warning signs are posted on the airfield night lighting building and that it has a new look on the door.

d. Reference paragraph 4d, Minutes of Executive Ground Safety Council, this Headquarters, for October, 1952, the Air Installations Officer reported completion of the center line striping of the main base road.

e. Reference paragraph 5b, Minutes of Executive Ground Safety Council, this Headquarters, for October, 1952, the Ground Safety Scroll for September was awarded to the 811th Food Service Squadron.

3. Report of the Ground Safety Section.

a. There were six disabling injuries reported during October. Three of these were due to private motor vehicle operation, one was a job injury in the FEAF that occurred in July, one was an injury in barracks, and one was due to organized sports. Corrective action was believed proper in each case by the Council. Measures taken to combat the rise in motor vehicle accidents were explained to the Council. These consisted of calling attention of Unit Commanders to the policies set forth in 40th Air Division Regulation 32-7, in a more intensive educational campaign, and in application of letter, 811th Air Base Group, dated 15 July 1952, Subject: "Policy in Cases of Accidental Injury". It was recommended to both Wing representatives present that a similar letter be issued by their respective commanding officers.

b. Number of injuries and military frequency rates for October were: 31st Fighter Escort Wing, 1 on duty, MAR 4.48, 13.43 on and 0.00 off duty. 508th Fighter Escort Wing, 3 off duty, MAR 10.95, 0.00 on and 16.43 off duty. 811th Air Base Group, 1 on and 1 off duty, MAR 3.17, 4.76 on and 2.38 off duty. Turner Air Force Base, 2 on and 4 off duty, MAR 5.32, both on and off duty. A graph was shown depicting accident trends and costs. Cumulative cost to 1 November was $1.28 per man per month.

c. There were two government motor vehicle accidents during the month; in one the government vehicle driver was not wholly at fault and in the other the government vehicle driver was not at all at fault. Corrective action in both cases was thought proper by the Council. VAR was 1.55; cumulative, 0.53 with 6 reportable accidents to date. There were ten private vehicle accidents during October in Albany and vicinity. While none of these resulted in disabling injury, the trend is unfavorable. Renewed efforts at control and indoctrination were believed to be in order.

d. There were no civilian injuries. Delinquency reports totaled 13, with 3 off base--off duty accidents, all motor vehicle.

e. Eighty five safety meetings were held with a total attendance of 7,428 for the month. Film, "Motor Vehicle Operation" was shown to all personnel available and is being used as a driver training film twice weekly. Engineering and special studies by the Ground Safety section were noted. There were no disabling injuries reported incident to the

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Sowega National Sports Car races held 26 October. Maj Willis W. Wood and Mr. Robert C. McClain, of the SAC Ground Safety section, were present before and during the races to assist the base Ground Safety section for this event. A favorable report was made by these officials.

f. The Ground Safety Officer briefly commented on his attendance at the USAF Ground Safety Conference in Chicago, 20-24 Oct 1952. Principal items mentioned were the savings effected by Ground Safety, the period devoted to instruction in base ground safety techniques, and the forthcoming changes in the Ground Safety reporting system.

4. Discussion.

a. The need of planned orientation in Ground Safety for newly arrived airmen was discussed. It was proposed that sessions be set up once or twice monthly at 1600 hours on Friday at the Base Theater. This was agreeable to the Base Operations and Training Officer, Maj Robert T. Forrest.

b. Base supply control of CTC was discussed. It was believed that supply measures now being taken are sufficient to control this item. The only source of leakage could be the Fire Department. Capt Frank D. Furlow, Base Installations Officer is also the Fire Marshal. He stated that this is being controlled.

c. Property damage to F84G tip tanks was mentioned as a source of loss. After some discussion, it was agreed that further experience was needed to determine the pattern of the causes of these losses.

d. Proposed new signs denoting the base were discussed. These are to be placed near the junction of US Hy #82 and the Base Access Road. Designs were promised by the Air Installations Officer in a few days. The Ground Safety Officer is to specifically locate the signs. Light colors and reflective paint were recommended to be used in painting the signs so as to make them highly visible to night drivers.

e. Headquarters 811th Air Base Group was designated as the best squadron in the performance of Ground Safety duties during October.

5. Recommendations:

a. That unit commanders adhere to the principles set forth in 40th Air Division Regulation 32-7 in order that the number of private vehicle accidents and injuries may be reduced.

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HEADQUARTERS 40TH AIR DIVISION
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

DOP 353 12 November 1952

SUBJECT: Saturday Training Schedule

TO: Commanding Officer, 31st Fighter-Escort Wing
Commanding Officer, 508th Fighter-Escort Wing
Commanding Officer, 811th Air Base Group
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

1. Letter, this headquarters, file DOP, subject: Saturday Training Schedule, dated 26 September 1952, is superseded by the following:

a. A Division Review will be held once each quarters at the call of the Division Commander with all assigned or attached units participating. The Fighter Wings will alternate at the conclusion of the review in an aerial review. After the aerial review the Fighter Wing not participating in the aerial review will have an inspection of aircraft with personal equipment, pilots, tool kits, and crew chiefs standing by the aircraft. Details of the inspection and review will be prescribed in the appropriate weekly Saturday Morning Training Schedule.

b. A personnel and arms inspection will be conducted by each unit on at least one Saturday a month, followed by practice parade around the squadron area, or, in lieu of a parade, extended or close order drill, open and close ranks, etc., in order to maintain the same degree of proficiency as under the old training schedule.

BY ORDER OF COLONEL OLDS:

/s/ Edmond L. Fortin
/t/ EDMOND L. FORTIN
Major, USAF
Adjutant General

A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

EXHIBIT NO. 7

AIRPLANE AND FLYING TIME DATA - BASE FLIGHT

NOVEMBER 1952

Airplane Time:

T-6	150:00
T-11	3:00
C-47	327:00

T-6		C-47		T-11	
Training	86:35	Training	2:00	Training	3:00
Administrative	63:25	Administrative	325:00		

Flying Time by Organizations

T-6		C-47	
Base Flight	65:55	Base Flight	461:20
466th Ftr-Esc Sq	0:00	466th Ftr-Esc Sq	59:50
467th Ftr-Esc Sq	8:00	467th Ftr-Esc Sq	42:35
468th Ftr-Esc Sq	0:00	468th Ftr-Esc Sq	65:10
307th Ftr-Esc Sq	0:00	307th Ftr-Esc Sq	19:45
308th Ftr-Esc Sq	89:05	308th Ftr-Esc Sq	40:25
309th Ftr-Esc Sq	16:30	309th Ftr-Esc Sq	76:45

Total Flying Time Obtained by Type Aircraft:

T-6	179:30	C-47	765:50

Instrument Time Obtained in Type Aircraft:

T-6	7:20	C-47	203:45

Following are percentages of AFR 60-2 requirements completed by pilots assigned or attached to Base Flight for flying for the month of November 1952, percentages are based on the maximum of 65 hours proficiency, nine (9) hours night and 10 hours hood and/or weather. Average number of pilots assigned or attached was 31.

Proficiency	78%
Night	85%
Hood and/or Weather	89%

EXHIBIT NO. 8

Colonel Olds presents Oak Leaf Cluster to
Captain Jack Miller

EXHIBIT NO. 10

Captain William R. Hall receives Commendation Ribbon from Col. Olds in ceremony at 40th Air Division Headquarters.

EXHIBIT NO. 11

PROJECTS BEING ADMINISTERED BY THE SAVANNAH DISTRICT

ENGINEERS AND AIR INSTALLATIONS - TURNER AFB, ALBANY, GEORGIA

AIO Projects	Status
Installation of Regulators on Hot Water Heaters (28-52)	8% complete
Grading and Paving Between Apron and Security Fence (29-52)	90% "
Rehabilitation of Hangar Doors in Building 5010 (50-52)	Project approved work not yet started.
Rehabilitation of Hospital Buildings (27-52)	80% complete
Installation of Metal Horizontal Sliding Doors, Bldgs 7003, 7103, 7104 and 7204 (66-52)	100% "
Sealing Approximately 213,000 sq. yrd Runways and Taxiways (69-52)	95% "
Construction of Three Warehouses (35-52)	100% "
Install Heating Unit in Building 1100A (38-52)	70% "

Savannah District Engineers Projects	
Navigational Aids (Contract No. 935)	98% "
Fuel Storage & Distribution (Contract 1107)	98.5% "
Oper. Fuel Storage Tanks (Contract No. 1071)	99% "
Ammunition Storage Igloos (Contract No 1501)	72% "
Administration Building (Contract No. 1512)	10.5% "
General Purpose Warehouse (Contract No. 1515)	19% "
Bulk Storage Tanks (Contract No. 1271)	80% "

EXHIBIT NO. 12

Major Melford Loeffler, CO of the 811th Supply Squadron, is shown above accepting a check for $500 in behalf of his squadron from Col. Thayer S. Olds, 40th Air Division Commanding Officer. The squadron won the check as the unit winner in the recent Sowega Sports Car Races contest. The men in the squadron solicited $9,768 for the Airmen's Improvement Fund, 592 per cent of the assigned quota.

EXHIBIT NO. 13

Shown above are Col. John J. Easton, Base Commander; Gen. Raymond Coffman, CG of the Marine Depot; Col. Thayer S. Olds, CO of the 40th Air Division, and Col. Cy Wilson, 508th Wing CO, at the base Officers Club.

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TURNER AIR FORCE BASE, ALBANY, GEORGIA

(SECOND AIR FORCE)

(STRATEGIC AIR COMMAND)

for

DECEMBER 1952

JOSEPH E. ZURO 1st Lt., USAF HISTORICAL OFFICER	JOHN J. EASTON COLONEL, USAF BASE COMMANDER	THAYER S. OLDS COLONEL, USAF 40TH AIR DIVISION COMMANDER

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3 December 1952	-	The Executive Ground Safety Council met in the Air Base Group Conference Room.
7 December 1952	-	The 1952 Savings Bond Drive ended.
9 December 1952	-	Turner AFB Airmen Living Improvement Fund Advisory Committee met in the Air Base Group Conference Room.
10 December 1952	-	Lt. Col. Chester M. Conrad appointed Base Operations and Training Officer and Commanding Officer of the 811th Operations Squadron.
15-17 December	-	Civilian Security Indoctrination Program.
24 December 1952	-	Implementation of UAL-BAL Project completed.

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FOREWARD

Two impending events loomed large in the consideration of the 40th Air Division and 811th Air Base Group during the month. As a result, a number of staff sections were directly affected. The first of these events was the coming move of the 508th Fighter-Escort Wing, which, in and of itself, spelled out problems of considerable magnitude. Such problems, however, were compounded with the announcement that within less than a month following the movement of the 508th, the 100th Air Refueling Squadron was scheduled to arrive at Turner Air Force Base. Naturally, the coming events caused a great deal of advanced planning and activity on the part of the Personnel and Materiel staffs.

Manpower calculations were particularly acute, for not only did Personnel have to find some 460-470 personnel to support the 508th Wing, but it had to consider the effect that the loss of these personnel would have upon the normal operation of Base functions. In view of the fact that the work load would be further burdened by the arrival of a new unit, the task of assigning personnel judiciously became a difficult one indeed. Several personnel fields were particularly hard pressed, due to existing shortages, prior commitments and individual cases of a personal nature.*

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The Materiel Office was one of the crucial areas with respect to shortages of people. In addition, it had not only to consider the equipping of the 508th Wing*, but with the impending arrival of the 100th Air Refueling Squadron, it came fact to face with other considerations. These included, broadly speaking, the supply, maintenance and housing of the new unit, as well as the finding of adequate parking space for the new unit's KB-29 aircraft.

Naturally, practically all offices in the 811th Air Base Group were affected, personnel-wise, by the move of the 508th Wing, as squadrons were required to meet manpower commitments for the establishment of an efficient support group, and, at the same time continue their normal functions at the Base level.

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I - ORGANIZATION AND ADMINISTRATION

A significant example of how closely Tables of Organization and such factors as morale and career advancement are related was brought to light in a study which the Manpower and Organization Office completed during the month. 1/ In a survey of the 811th Food Service Squadron, the Manpower Office found that the present T/O authorizations within the 62010, 62230 and 62250 AFSC's created a bottleneck at the 30 level. This is to say, the present T/O authorizes 67 food service attendants (AFSC 62010), whereas it authorizes only 22 apprentice level cooks (AFSC 62230). Thus, although he be eminently qualified to be upgraded in AFSC, a food service attendant is caused, through no fault of his own, but purely because of non-available T/O vacancies, to remain at the 010 level for a period far beyond the required time. Even if he is upgraded in AFSC, there still exists no vacancy for promotion purposes under the allotted Table of Organization. When it was considered that within the cook and senior cook levels (AFSC 62250) 39 airmen first class and 43 staff sergeants are authorized (all of which must come from the 30 level), the seriousness of the problem was readily apparent.

In order to assist in alleviating this problem, the Manpower and Organization Office recommended that the number of apprentice cooks

1/ Letter, Base Manpower & Organization Office, Subj: Survey of 811th Food Service Sq, dtd 16 Dec 52. (On file, Hq TAFB.)

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authorized be increased from 22 to 42, at the same time urging that the number of cooks and senior cooks (AFSC 62250) be decreased to 26 and 34 respectively. This would, in effect, increase the opportunity for AFSC up-grading at the apprentice level while opening up greater possibilities for advancement to the cook and senior cook career levels.

Although this problem was by far the most important one considered in the study, the survey also recommended that T/O changes be made to authorize additional personnel in the persons of two additional senior personnel specialists to operate the personnel section of the orderly room more effectively. In addition, a recommendation was made to authorize an up-grading, from Technical Sergeant to Master Sergeant, of the meat cutting supervisor whose job, entailing as it does the over-all supersision of the cold storage plant activities, was felt to merit such advancement.

Economically speaking, the recommended changes in the Table of Organization result in an annual dollar saving of $17,554.68.

The Base Manpower and Organization Office made an important study of the wage scale in the Base Exchange and concluded that at the present 70-cent-per-hour wage, a Base Exchange sales clerk received $8.34 less per week in take-home pay than the average weekly living scale of a single girl sales clerk in the city of Albany, i.e., a weekly wage of $28.00 less income tax, insurance and social security

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or $21.46, as opposed to a "downtown" living scale of $29.80. In the light of these findings, the Manpower and Organization Office recommended that the Army and Air Force Wage Stabilization Board conduct a survey of the situation. The office noted that the last survey of this locality took place approximately one year ago in which period the living cost has increased approximately 17 per cent and taxes 5 per cent. Statistics also revealed that whereas wages have increased 15 per cent, Base Exchange employees have received no such increase. The study also took cognizance of the fact that although most businesses allow a considerable deduction in price of all items purchased by employees, the Exchange employees at Turner were denied such privilege.

In addition to recommending a survey by the Wage Stabilization Board, the study also recommended that the incentive pay system be revised. 2/

2/ Information on this study contained in Ltr, Subj: "Survey of Wage Scale for Base Exchange Employees," dtd 11 Dec 52. (On file, Hq TAFB.)

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II - PERSONNEL

The impending movement of the 508th Fighter-Escort Wing to the Far East posed several rather severe problems for the Base Personnel Office. 3/ Mainly, the task of the Office was to provide personnel from the 811th Air Base Group, numbering 460-470, to assist those support personnel already in place when the 508th arrived at their destination in Japan. Trained personnel in the number needed were hard to come by. To provide some 460 "bodies" was one thing; to provide the same number of <u>trained</u> personnel was something else again. Add to this, the non-availability of key personnel due to schools, reassignment quotas, other commitments, and hardships, and the problem became compounded. Personnel was faced with a situation which promised to remain fluid almost up to the very day of the move. Needless to say, a compromise had to be effected, a compromise which attempted to take into account the probable number of personnel already in place at the Wing's destinations; the number of personnel needed from the 811th Air Base Group to support those personnel, and the ability of the 811th to provide trained personnel in numbers sufficient to undertake the support task. After all these factors had been taken into consideration, the Personnel Office was in a position to provide 390 personnel--plus or minus five, depending on the fluidity of the situation. They

3/ Personal interview with Major William H. Milnor, Base Personnel Officer.

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were not, however, provided without a tremendous amount of juggling, particularly in several crucial areas.

These crucial areas numbered five -- supply, radio operation, refueling, Air Police and wire maintenance, in almost all of which areas shortages already existed. For example, Supply, although faced with a shortage of personnel in support of the 31st and 508th Fighter-Escort Wings, was due to be spread thinner as a result of the imminent arrival of the 100th Air Refueling Squadron with its complement of 300 personnel and 20 aircraft, augmented by 264 officers and enlisted men assigned to the 31st Fighter-Escort Wing and an undetermined number to the Air Base Group. The radio section was particularly hard hit, having already filled numerous overseas quotas. In order, therefore, to provide the necessary support personnel for the 508th move, Personnel was forced to practically denude the section. When the movement comes, only two radio operators will remain to operate the four Turner radio networks provided in accordance with current regulations. As a result, during the absence of the 508th, or until sufficient personnel are available to permit 24-hour operation, the Turner radio station will operate only between 0800 and 1700, Monday through Friday, and 0800-1200 on Saturday, instead of around the clock. In addition, the movement will take almost one-third of Turner's Air Police security force and the remainder will not only have to guard the 31st Fighter-Escort Wing's aircraft. The addition of 20 aircraft belonging to the 100th Air

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Refueling Squadron, soon to be stationed here, will further complicate the security task. Quotas have muddied the refueling picture, and although Personnel, again, could provide the "bodies" to fill the slots necessary to do an efficient refueling job at Turner, it was hard to provide trained personnel. Wire maintenance personnel were short at the outset, but with one-half of the available personnel in this category already slated to go with the 508th Wing, the situation at Turner promised to become crucial.

In a word, an already "tight" personnel situation due to existing shortages, had further tightened to the extent of leaving several important base functions seriously undermanned when the 508th moved out. Hardship cases, particularly pregnancy deferments, deferments of personnel frozen for Air Cadets and OCS, plus deferment of people with insufficient retainability, all added to the over-all difficulty. Serious as these problems were, however, the one over-riding problem which further compounded all other considerations, was the inability of the Personnel Office to set a cut-off date on mobility list changes. Quotas of various types, and hardship cases particularly, upset already finely figured calculations continuously during the preparation for the move. The problem of substituting qualified personnel for those stricken from the shipping order became a headache approaching migraine proportions. This, however, was merely one aspect of a thoroughly

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perplexing situation, a situation with which, as in the case of a similar movement on the part of the 31st Fighter-Escort Wing in July, 1952, the Personnel Office was all too familiar.

During the preparations for that move, even after the lists of eligible personnel were sent forward to the 31st Wing, changes were made almost up to the date of the actual movement itself. This meant that a great deal of work done by such agencies as the Medical Group and Base Finance was done unnecessarily, and had even to be done again as new personnel were substituted. It also meant that constant amendments to shipping orders had to be made. Records, so carefully processed, were shipped on men who, at the last moment, were removed from the shipping order, so that their substitutes arrived at the final destination in the Far East with others' records. Naturally, this situation placed a well-nigh unbearable burden upon the shoulders of the Records Processing personnel. A similar situation existed during the preparation for the 508th move.

In view of these facts, the Personnel Officer strongly recommended that for any and all future movements of this type, a cut-off date be set which would freeze all personnel save those with the most serious of last minute emergencies. This, he felt, would aid immeasurably in clarifying a situation which, to say the least, had been fluid from the moment that the Personnel Office received word to mount a force in support of the 508th movement. In addition, it was felt that

future moves should incorporate mobility rosters which could be kept durrent, and implemented immediately upon receipt of operations orders. This was not possible with the movement of the 508th Wing because the building up was already in progress.

With the exception of one major change in staff, the month of December saw relatively little turnover in personnel holding key positions at Turner Air Force Base. Lieutenant Colonel Chester M. Conrad, who arrived at Turner in late November from Karachi, Pakistan where he had served as Air Attache, was appointed Base Operations and Training Officer and Commanding Officer of the 811th Operations Squadron. 4/ He replaced Major Harry A. Mintz, who had been acting Operations and Training Officer following the release from active duty of Major Robert T. Forrest. A native of Cape Girardeau, Missouri, Colonel Conrad is a veteran of 21 months' combat duty in China during World War 11. As a pilot of a B-25 Mitchell bomber, he flew 42 missions, and holds, in addition to the Air Medal, several Chinese decorations, including the Breast Order of Yun Hui, Breast Order of Pao Ling, and the Yun Hui Medal. He is a graduate in Science of Southeast Missouri State College. 5/

The only other key personnel change occurred when 1st Lieutenant

4/ PAM No. 129, par 1, Hq 811th AB Gp, dtd 10 Dec 52. (On file, Hq Turner AFB, Ga.)

5/ Officer's Fact Sheet, on file, Info Services Office, Turner AFB, Ga.

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Richard F. McClure, Assistant Base Manpower Officer, was released from active duty on 24 December. 6/ Prior to his becoming Assistant Manpower Officer, Lieutenant McClure had headed the office, being relieved in early November by Lieutenant Colonel Fred L. Houck.

A total of 251 persons, including 35 officers and 216 airmen, met the Classification Board during the month, a considerable drop from the previous month's total due mainly to the Christmas holiday period. With the arrival on the base of requisite test answer sheets, the tempo of the testing program picked up during the month, and a total of 280 airmen were administered the Airmen Proficiency Tests, an increase of approximately 200 over the previous month. Of the total, fifty-one (51) were in the 60 career field, sixty-nine (69) were in the 62 career field, thirty-three (33) were in the 73 career field, twenty-two (22) were in the 96 career field, twenty-eight (28) were in the 46 career field, and two (2) were in the 29 (Cryptographic) field, seven (7) were in the 29 career field, fifty-three (53) were in the 47 career field, and fifteen (15) were in the 27 career field. A portion of the scores have been received on the tests given the latter part of November, and during the month of December, and are as follows: twenty-seven in the 27 career field, twenty (20) in the 29 career field, four (4) in the 46 career field, eight (8) in the 73 career field, one (1) in the 62 career field, fifteen (15) in the 60 career field, and sixty (60) in the 96 career field.

Officer requisitions were submitted to higher headquarters for officer personnel to fill position vacancies which will be realized due

6/ SO 299, par 6, Hq 40AD, FAFB, Ga. dtd 13 Dec 52.

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to release and transfer of officers on this base.

December was promotion month for 172 airmen. Promotion quotas allotted this command for the month included one Master Sergeant, seven Technical Sergeants, 27 Staff Sergeants, 41 Airmen First Class and 99 Airmen Second Class, all of which were utilized with the exception of three in the Airman 1/C bracket. 7/

Twenty-one airmen and one officer departed for Air Force Technical Schools during the month. 8/

The re-enlistment rate at Turner during the month increased slightly over November with 28 airmen reenlisting. In addition, three off-base reenlistments were accomplished by the Base Recruiting Office. 9/

The high AWOL rate which has caused serious concern at Turner was the subject of a special analysis being made by the Management Analysis Service. Based upon statistics obtained from a survey made at Turner in June, 1952, by a team from the University of North Carolina, the report covered data on airmen who were AWOL during the period of 1 May 1952 to 30 October 1952. The object of the report to be entitled "Special Analysis of AWOL Statistics," is to seek, in some measure, the underlying cause of the high AWOL rate at Turner and to determine what action can be initiated to eliminate or reduce the condition. Although the report is as yet incomplete, findings

7/ Quotas obtained from Msg 2AFPRA 4042, dtd 1 Dec 52. (On file, Hq Turner AFB, Ga.)

8/ For breakdown by course, see Table of Schools. (Exhibit No. 1)

9/ See Breakdown of Re-enlistments by Squadrons. (Exhibit No. 2)

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thus far indicate that the high AWOL rate at Turner is not so much caused by such factors as an airman's age, marital status or length of service as by low intelligence and poor educational background. 10/

Strength figures for the 811th Air Base Group for the month of December were as follows:

		Authorized	Assigned
As of 1 December 1952:			
	Officers	111	104
	Airmen	1741	1951
As of 31 December 1952:			
	Officers	111	106
	Airmen	1741	1959

Strength figures for the Headquarters 40th Air Division:

		Authorized	Assigned
As of 1 December 1952:			
	Officers	10	4
	Airmen	7	1
As of 31 December 1952:			
	Officers	10	4
	Airmen	7	2

10/ Info gathered from interview with Maj. John Smith, Management Analysis Off. Report, "Special Analysis of AWOL Statistics," will be discussed at length in Jan. 1953 history.

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Civilian Personnel

During the month, representatives of the Classification Division in Atlanta, Messrs. Robert Townely and Lamar Gammon, visited this installation for the purpose of conducting a post audit review of classification act positions. The results of this audit were reviewed in a critique attended by Major William Milnor, Base Personnel Officer; Mr. Walter Wilson, Staff Advisor, Headquarters Second Air Force; Mr. Joseph Buffa, Position Classifier; Mr. George Johnston, Civilian Personnel Officer, and Messrs. Townely and Gammon. The Classification Section devoted considerable time rendering assistance to the Civil Service Commission inspectors during their post audit of the base classification program. In addition to this, the position classifier desk audited six positions in the Comptroller, Budget and Accounting Sections, and three positions in the 31st Field Maintenance Shops. The position classifier also prepared a new classification survey schedule covering 1953 which will be distributed to all employees and operating officials in early January.

Training during the month consisted of pre-induction orientation for three new employees. A Security Indoctrination Program in cooperation with the Turner Air Force Base Air Provost Marshal was held for all civilian employees during the month. This training consisted of five one-hour lectures and was held in the Base Theater 11/

11/ Letter, Hq 40th Air Div, Ofc of the Civ Pers. Officer, Subj: Security Indoctrination Training for Civilian Employees, dtd 3 Dec 52. (Exhibit No. 3)

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on 15 and 17 December. Personnel from the Air Provost Marshal's Office and Education Office conducted the lectures.

The Placement Section reviewed and rated the typist portion of the examination papers of approximately 40 personnel who had previously participated in the stenographic and typist examination, and who were declared ineligible by failing to qualify in the stenographer exam. This section also made arrangements to conduct stenographic and typist examinations for approximately 90 interested applicants in early January. In addition, the section completed a placement review survey in the Comptroller Section which included Finance and Budget and Accounting. The Section contacted all employees during this survey and obtained work evaluations from immediate supervisors.

The Administrative Section of the Civilian Personnel Office processed a total of 43 personnel actions for the month, consisting of three accessions, five separations, one promotion, one reassignment, one administrative step increase, 12 periodic step increases, and 20 other personnel actions. The Payroll Section set up new individual pay cards for 1953 and began preparation of individual tax statements, retirement balances and annual and sick leave balances. These will be furnished each employee.

The Civilian Personnel Office published three regulations during the month -- 40-19, Classification Appeals Procedure; 40-20, Notification of Emergency Addressee, and 40-21, Employee Relations. In addition,

amendments were published to four other regulations.

Four representatives from the General Accounting Office conducted their first audit in the Payroll Section. The audit included review of all promotions, periodic step increases and lump sum payments.

Mr. Walter Wilson, Civilian Staff Advisor from Headquarters Second Air Force, visited this installation during the period 10-12 December for the purpose of assisting and coordinating civilian personnel matters, and to attend the final critique of the Commission's post audit review.

The Awards Committee met during the month to review a suggestion made by Mr. William Powell, Senior Machinist employed in the 31st Field Maintenance Fabrication Shops. Mr. Powell planned and constructed a permanent type oil storage rack for the Machine Shop and the Committee recommended that a sum of $26.10 be awarded.

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Personal Affairs

The 1952 Savings Bond Drive at Turner closed 7 December as base squadrons reported a total of 73 percent of their goal sold in the two-month campaign to sell the payroll savings plan to Turner airmen, officers and civilians. Out of a base-wide goal of 853, 625 personnel signed up for the bond allotment plan. The 508th Fighter-Escort Wing was the only major unit on the base to top its goal, with a total of 199 new bond buyers as against an objective of 192. Although the base as a whole did not completely fill its objective, officials termed the campaign "very satisfactory."

During the month, the Turner Chapter of the Air Force Aid Society made a total of 54 loans, totalling $2,633.25. A check in the amount of $1,875 to cover installment payments on Life Memberships pledged to the Society during the 1952 Air Force Aid campaign, was forwarded to Washington.

Further semi-annual reviews of Personal Affairs files for all personnel on the base were conducted. Emphasis was placed on the overseas-bound 508th Fighter-Escort Wing.

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Personnel Services

Special Services

A 40th Air Division Band was formed during the month, the first in the history of the Division. Consisting of 30 pieces, the organization includes a marching band, a drum and bugle corps and a dance orchestra.

The Special Services Office presented several special entertainments during the month, outstanding among which was the Florida State University Gymkana, a series of gymnastic acts. The Albany Men's Chorus and Albany State College Choir presented concerts in the Base Theater, and the Albany Little Theater presented a comedy-drama, "The Hasty Heart", for military personnel at the Little Theater playhouse in downtown Albany.

The Special Services Office, through its own Service Club and a number of civil organizations in Albany, sponsored several Yuletide events, including dances, dinner parties and coffee hours, for Turner personnel.

The Base basketball team began play in the Southeastern Conference for service teams and thus far has recorded a 7-2 won-lost record to maintain second place in the league. A strong intramural basketball league has been organized with all squadrons on the base represented.

Due to the holidays, the month of December has been one primarily of planning. With the exception of college classes, no on-base classes were held after 15 December 1952. All classes will resume during the week of 5 January 1953 with the exception of elementary classes, which

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will begin on 12 January 1953.

Education.

During the year the single largest activity of the Education Office has been with elementary work. From March 1952 through November 1952, a total of 258 students were enrolled in elementary studies. Of this number, 190 were judged to have successfully completed their work and of the total original enrollment 53 percent qualified for Air Force Technical Training. While there is reason to be pleased with these results, there is equal reason to believe that the elementary schools can be improved considerably. During the month this idea has dominated the planning of the fourth elementary school, scheduled to begin on 12 January 1953, for a period of nine weeks. Thus instructors have been assigned a month in advance of the beginning date, two instructors have been assigned to each class rather than one and class teaching plans have been drawn up.

In an effort to increase the effectiveness of instruction, a series of conferences has been held with local education persons engaged in adult training. These meetings have been arranged through Mr. O.H. Tye, local coordinator for the Georgia Adult Academic Education Program.

During the month an interest survey was run to determine the nature of college classes for the winter semester. Following this, a conference was held with officials of Florida State University, at which time four subjects were agreed on. These are - English 102, a

continuation of the present English course, History 215, American History on the Sophomore level, Speech 105, beginning public speech, and Math 117 beginning college algebra. The tentative date of enrollment has been established for 5 February 1953 and class registration is now taking place.

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Ground Safety

The Turner Air Force Base 1952 Accident Cost of $150 per 100,000 miles of vehicle operation promises to be considerably less than the Strategic Air Command and USAF rates for the year. The SAC and USAF rates for the January-August 1952 period are $801 and $636 per 1000,000 miles of vehicle operation respectively, and although no just comparison can be made between the Turner rate and those of the Command and USAF as a whole, thus far the figures do indicate that Turner will remain well under the Command and Air Force-wide levels. 12/

Of singular interest to Turner's many private vehicle owners is a survey conducted by the Ground Safety Director for the purpose of liberalizing the underwriting of insurance on automobiles owned by military personnel. The study considered the 1952 vehicle accidents in Albany, Georgia and Dougherty County and compared the rates with those in the same area involving automobiles owned by Turner personnel. The survey revealed that Turner people were involved in six percent less accidents, sustained two percent less injuries, suffered 100 percent less fatalities, and incurred generally less expense due to involvement in accidents. 13/

The Ground Safety Office also sought the aid of Albany officials in speeding up evening traffic through the city. This problem which

12/ Figures obtained from Table of Injury Rates and Cost Comparisons, December 1952. (See Exhibit No. 4)

13/ Interview with Samuel Z. Orgel, Ground Safety Director.

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was particularly vexing to the large number of Turner personnel who live in the city, was considerably eased by the placing of a patrolman at one crucial intersection. The solution was effected at the suggestion of the Ground Safety Director. 14/

Accident-wise, there were eight reportable injuries during the period, four of which were due to private motor vehicle operation. There were two job injuries, both of a minor nature and both easily preventable. Man days lost totaled 139, an estimated 90 days of which was attributable to the severe injury to an airman involved in an accident in which he was not at fault.

Four accidents involving government vehicles occurred during the month, three of these taking place on the line and incurring damage to parked planes and plane equipment. Two of the accidents were caused by Security Patrol vehicles, and as a result, the Provost Marshal ordered the patrol to work on foot. The final accident was caused when a fork lift dropped a lathe while unloading it from a truck. The Government Vebicle Accident Rate for the month was 3.23 and the Military Accident Rate was 6.20; 4.64 on duty and 6.98 off duty. 15/

A number of Ground Safety activities took place during the month with 109 safety meetings attended by 9,492 military and 119 civilian personnel. No safety films were show, but in place of these,

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14/ Ibid.

15/ Hist. Rpt fr Ground Safety Office for Dec 52, signed by Samuel Z. Orgel, Ground Safety Director. (On file, Base Historical Office, Turner AFB, Ga.)

the Commanding Officer, 811th Air Base Group, presented a talk on Ground Safety to all available personnel. In addition, the Office conducted 48 routine and two special inspections.

The Ground Safety Office also made a special survey of safety hazards and assisted the Fire Marshal in setting up the Fire Prevention Program now in operation on the base. 16/ The Office began preparation of a special study, "Driving on the Ramp," in conjunction with which it is supervising traffic markings on the ramp.

16/ See Page 35 for detailed discussion of Fire Prevention Program.

OPERATIONS AND TRAINING

III OPERATIONS AND TRAINING

Almost the entire Operations effort, 17/ with respect to the 508th Fighter-Escort Wing, was aimed at preparing that unit for its impending temporary duty in the Far East. The problem of training the Wing was complicated by two factors -- the lack of experienced flight commanders, and the relative lack of experience of some of the pilots, many of whom had only recently graduated from flying school. The first problem was eased somewhat by the assigning of flight commanders from the 31st Fighter-Escort Wing and from other stations. The second was subsequently resolved by a strict regimen of flying of four or five months' duration. The diet of flying under the experienced eye of fully qualified veteran pilots readied the unit for its move to the Far East, there to perform whatever mission it is called upon to perform.

During the training period, Division Operations effected the gunnery training of the 466th, 467th and 468th squadrons of the Wing at Matagorda Island, Texas, as well as smooth operations between tanker crews and the 508th pilots during In-Flight Refueling exercises.

17/ Personal Interview with Major Harry P. Wagner, Staff Operations Officer, 40th Air Division.

The Air Base Training Flight Section conducted Atomic-Biological-Chemical Warfare training for 226 officers and airmen this month. Eleven officers were also indoctrinated in Basic Survival principles.

The Range Section of the Air Base Training Flight fired 325 airmen with the U.S. Carbine, Caliber .30; 33 officers with the U.S. Pistol, Caliber .45; five officers with the U.S. Revolver, Caliber .38; 18 airmen with the Submachine gun, Caliber .45.

Headquarters Squadron, 811th Air Base Group won the coveted "Honor Plaque" for the month of December, replacing the 811th Motor Vehicle Squadron as the top Air Base Group Squadron. The Honor Plaque is awarded monthly to the unit displaying the highest leadership and morale among Air Base Group squadrons and is based on a point system. Points are awarded for airmen training (ABC school, firing range, security, management and first aid), re-enlistment rate, SAC production rate, participation in I&E lectures, physical training, parade proficiency, and ground safety effectiveness.

The Base Operations Dispatch Section processed 273 outgoing flights, 296 incoming flights, 16 Round Robin Flights, and 44 local flights, which included Instrument Training Flights, Operational Mission and Minimum Individual Training Flights.

The percentages of AFR 60-2 requirements completed by pilots assigned or attached to Base Flight for flying for the month were as

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follows: (Percentages are based on the maximum of 65 hours of proficiency, nine hours night and 10 hours and/or weather. Average number of pilots assigned or attached was 29.)

Proficiency..... 98%

Night.....100%

Hood and/or Weather.....100%

The Turner Tower processed 3,373 take-offs and landings, 42 practice VHF/DF steers and three emergency VHF/DF steers during this month.

Data on Base Flight aircraft, including airplane and flying time for the month is listed in the Appendix. 18/

Base Communications Center

The Communications Officer met with representatives of Air Installations Office this month to discuss sound conditioning of the operating and equipment rooms of the new Communications Building. It was agreed upon that sound conditioning would be necessary for efficient operations, especially in the switchboard and teletype rooms, since the new communications building will be located within 800 feet of the flight line.

Installation of outside telephone booths will be completed on or about 15 January 1953. After the initial installation has been completed, a survey will be made of existing pay station facilities as to ultimate requirements, and plans will be submitted to the

18/ Table of Airplane and Flying Time. (Exhibit No. 5)

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various staff sections for approval.

The following projects of the Base Communications Center were being administered as of the end of the month:

Project No. SAC-TU-1-52. -- Outside Cable Plant Expansion... A representative of the District Office of Southern Bell Telephone Company supervised the installation of 329 ft. 51 pair 22 AWG cable to Building 11004. This will relieve critical shortage of cable pair to the old transmitter site and provide a smoother change over to the new building when SAC Plan 1000 becomes a reality. Completion date is scheduled for 15 January 1953.

Project No. SAC-TU-1-TIC-52, Teletalk Facilities for Turner Air Force Base... This project was approximately 90 percent complete as of the end of this month. Scheduled completion date was originally set for 31 December 1952, but due to additional changes by using activities, this project will not be completed until January 1953. Final modifications were sent to Warner Robins Air Materiel Area on 11 December 1952.

Physical Conditioning

The Physical Conditioning Unit averages showed a decrease in use of 1.4 percent this month, due to the large number of personnel taking Christmas leave.

A breakdown of physical conditioning of tactical pilots and non-tactical personnel, together with the number of hours expended for daily treatments, is included in the Appendix. 19/

19/ Physical Conditioning Report as of 31 Dec 52. (Exhibit No. 6)

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The tempo of activity in the Materiel Office began to quicken as the impending move of the 508th Fighter-Escort Wing drew nearer. Already deeply immersed in the business of implementing the UAL-BAL system for all units on the Base,* Materiel had now to complete the equipping of the 508th. Mainly, this involved three broad categories of materiel--fly-away kit property, unit essential equipment, and personnel equipment--and although a great deal of equipment had already been procured, much remained to be got in order to bring the Wing up to an effective status.

Essentially, the problem was one of time, and had been since the Wing was activated. Personnel build-up of the Wing had begun in earnest in September, 1952, followed in October by an all-out effort to supply and equip it. With the movement scheduled for early-1953, the problem of time was a pressing one. Added to this was the fact that the 508th Fighter-Escort Wing had received no supply priority, the lack of which seriously hampered the speed with which Materiel could procure equipment. Moreover, no monitoring depot had been set up, so that Materiel was under the necessity of doing its own monitoring. This had not been the case during a similar move on the part of the 31st Fighter-Escort Wing during the summer of 1952, and, as a result, inasmuch as the needed supplies then included aircraft parts and spares and maintenance equipment, the supply function was carried out with a speed not matched in the supplying of the 508th Wing.

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* See pp34-35 below.

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An additional factor was the comparative "youth" of the 508th which resulted in a number of cases of incorrect supply information being forwarded to Materiel and accounted for a considerable loss of time in checking, cross-checking, and in changing records.

Again, however, as in the case of the Personnel Office,* one of the main problems was the inability of the Materiel Office to set up a supply cut-off date, with the result that supplies will continue to come in to the Wing until almost the last minute. The Materiel Officer strongly recommended that such a cut-off date be included in any such movement in the future. The imminent loss of Supply personnel was another factor which brought concern to the Materiel Office. During the month the need was sorely felt for a procedure for transferring MR property for the purposes of the move, and plans were laid to draw up a set of procedures.

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* See p 11 above.

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During the month, the Materiel Office effected base responsibility for the Unit Allowance List and Base Allowance List (UAL-BAL) Program, the goal of which is to attain a new authorization table for housekeeping equipment required by Air Force units.20/ The determination of such a table for each unit rested with the unit itself, and in order to assist the squadrons at Turner in arriving at their individual housekkeeping equipment needs, two project officers -- Lieutenant Colonel Chester M. Campbell, Jr., Base Materiel Officer, and Mr. William H. McGough, of the Base Manpower Office -- were appointed. Following a briefing at Second Air Force Headquarters, 19 November 1952, on the procedures to be followed in constructing the UAL-BAL program, the project officers further briefed the commanders of the 40th Air Division, 508th and 31st Fighter Escort Wings and 811th Air Base Group and all squadrons. In addition, all staff and unit supply officers and their supply sergeants were given specific details of the program and the method of implementing it. Essentially, each squadron commander was responsible for determining exactly what equipment he needed to operate effectively while stationed at Turner Air Force Base over and above that property authorized on his Unit Property Equipment Authorization list. After these items were listed on the appropriate forms, they were presented to the Base Equipment Review Board for approval, and then forwarded to Headquarters Second Air Force. Carried out in accordance

20/ Letter, Hq 40th Air Div, file Base Mat, 400.1914, subj: Implementation of the UAL-BaL Project, dtd 28 Nov 53. (See Exhibit 7)

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with a schedule issued by the 40th Air Division Commander, each squadron of the Wings and Air Base Group presented its allowance list to the Base Equipment Review Board. The project was completed on 22 December 1952.21/

Base Materiel has established a Supply School, scheduled to begin 7 January 1953, for all 30 and 50 level unit supply personnel. The classes, which will be held one hour per day for four weeks, will deal with such subjects as the maintenance of UPREALs, plant accounting records, authorities for drawing supplies and the classification of equipment. It is estimated that a total of 35 persons will attend the course to be held in the Base Training Building. 22/

The Base Materiel Office also implemented a new plant account system for base and unit supply which places the responsibility and accountability for supplies more firmly upon unit supply officers.

In accordance with current directives from higher headquarters, supplemented by TAFB Regulation 92-9, an aggressive fire prevention campaign was initiated this month. Area Fire Marshals, assisted by barracks orderlies and barracks chiefs or building custodians, conduct daily inspections for fire hazards in living quarters. High hazard areas, such as the NCO Club, NCO Club Annex, Officers Club and Service are inspected each evening. The Hangars, Post Exchange and other such areas are inspected weekly and a fire attendant has been appointed to be on duty at each performance at the Base Theater. "No Smoking in Bed" signs have been placed conspicuously in all barracks, open bays

21/ Discussion of UAL-BAL program at TAFB taken from "Brief Resume of UAL-BAL
22/ Personal Interview with M/Sgt. Poggi, S-4 Office.

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and rooms, and all commissioned and non-commissioned officers have been directed to enforce the policy. The base has also established fire evacuation plans for each building, and semi-monthly fire drills will be conducted. The Base Commander has designated special personnel to check Area Fire Marshals, barracks chiefs, the base fire department and other responsible personnel in order to insure a continuing program of fire prevention. 23/

The base is being further protected from fire hazards by the addition of new equipment. Sixteen new hydrants are being installed and many original hydrants are being relocated. In addition, a fire alram and indication system has been installed in the NCO Club, former NCO Club Annex and in the Service Club. 24/

Base Supply

The Base Supply Section established a new system to be effective 1 January 1953, whereby the Service Units can conduct a more efficient follow-up schedule for all units. Each unit will be contacted every thirty days by a representative of the supply officer for the purpose of screening back orders.

The AFSDs for the 508th Wing was 92 per cent complete on the 31st of December. The remaining line items to be secured are back orders to contractors and material in transit to this station.

Since this base has two active Wings, the requirements of the Base

23/ Letter, 2AF, subj: "Fire Prevention," dtd 22 Dec 52. (On file, Hq Turner AFB, Ga.)

24/ Personal Interview with TAFB Fire Chief.

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Publications Section have almost doubled. The reproduction machines process approximately 100 stencils a day, producing over 25,000 copies.

For the month of December 46,411 Stock Record cards were maintained and a total of 28,592 line items were processed. The supply effectiveness figure was 79 percent for the month. The AOCP percentage was 16 percent; the ANFE percentage was 5.6; the VOCM percentage was .7 and the VOCP was 2.6 percent.

Base Exchange

Sales for the month of December were $92,174.23 as compared to $56,325.87 for the previous month. This noticeable increase was due to the additional sales by the toy and gift shop which was set up last month as an extension to the Base Exchange for Christmas sales.

The Exchange Officer visited the Atlanta Regional Office this month to discuss plans for service station and laundry facilities.

Base Commissary

Commissary sales for the month amounted to $33,294.44 as compared to $34,432.07 for the preceding month. Issue to troops amounted to $64.297.08, while collections for meals were $4,543.95.

Commercial type automatic check-out counters were requisitioned this month for the Sales Store. The new type counters will save a number of man hours and improve service at the store.

Action was taken this month to rearrange all shelving in the store. Upon completion of this project, tile flooring will be installed.

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Clothing Sales Store

Most of the clothing items that were requisitioned during November were received this month and placed in stock. One shipment of caps, service blue, was airlifted from Wilkins Air Force Depot.

Cash sales at the clothing sales store for the month of December were $6,951.76. Total cash and credit sales amounted to $9,032.52.

There were 1030 patrons of the clothing sales store during the month, which was an increase of 241 patrons over the month of November.

Property Disposal

The 10,000 pounds of aluminum that was allocated last month to Kimmerling and Sons, Birmingham, Alabama, was picked up this month by that concern.

A large quantity of property located in the open storage area of Base Supply was condemned by inspectors of Warner Robins Air Materiel Area and removed to the property disposal section. This property consisted of kitchen equipment, such as stoves, deep fat fryers, dough mixers, and two hundred double decker beds.

Proceeds of various sales during the month were as follows:

Sealed Bid (Invitation to Bid)	$1,652.51
Retail Sales	79.50

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Purchasing and Contracting

A conference was held this month between a representative of the Transportation Office and Newcomb Company relative to packing and crating service under the terms of Contract No. AF 09(608)-93. Due to the method presently followed by Headquarters Third Army for furnishing shipping instructions, the contractor is forced to hold packed goods and request payment for storage charges. A study is being made at Headquarters Second Air Force to determine the propriety of payment for storage under existing circumstances.

Nine contracts were executed this month, a list of which is included in the Appendix. 25/

Three hundred and twenty-seven Purchase and/or Delivery Orders were written and 294 documents were completed for payment this month. Petty Cash purchases for the month numbered 57 -- one less than the preceding month. 26/

Air Installations

Projects being administered by Air Installations and the Savannah District Engineers and the status of the projects as of the end of the month are listed in the Appendix. 27/

25/ List of Contracts - Purchasing and Contracting Sect. (Exhibit No .8)

26/ Ltr, Purchasing & Contracting Ofc, subj: Hist. Rpt for Dec 52, signed by Capt. Joseph Carroll, P&C Officer. (On file, Hq Turner AFB, Ga.)

27/ List of Projects - Air Installations (Exhibit No. 9)

COMMUNITY RELATIONS

V - COMMUNITY RELATIONS

Officers and airmen of various squadrons attended luncheon meetings of the Albany Lions, Kiwanis, Rotary and Exchange Clubs each week throughout the month.

The Information Services Office conducted a tour of the base for 38 high school students from Hazelhurst, Georgia on 14 December. The tour took in base headquarters, the gymnasium, the service club and other buildings. The students also got a first-hand glimpse of an F-84 aircraft, including the cockpit and instruments.

The 811th Motor Vehicle Squadron collected old toys, reconditioned them and turned them over to the Salvation Army in Albany for distribution among children who otherwise might not have had so merry a Christmas.

The Information Service Office conducted 10 15-minute radio shows and the Base Chaplains conducted eight radio broadcasts during the month over Albany Radio Stations WALB and WGPC.

Total news coverage of sports, society, spot news and feature articles published by the Base Newspaper Office in various news media for the month of December was 200:00 column inches.

SPECIAL PROJECTS

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VI - SPECIAL PROJECTS

The Turner Air Force Base Airmen's Living Improvement Fund advisory committee, composed of airmen representing the two Wings and the Air Base Group, met for the first time during the month. 27/ Their object was to recommend ways and means of spending the money derived from the Sowega National Sports Car Races held here October 26, 1952. Full consideration was given to ideas which would benefit both single and married personnel alike. The committee recommended that $20,000 be used to remodel a building into a suitable Airmen's Club and to improve facilities in the NCO Club Annex. They also recommended that $10,000 be used to construct and equip a nine-hole golf course to be known as the Airmen's Golf Course.

The committee requested permission to attend a future meeting with the Officer advisory board of the Airmen's Living Improvement Fund to discuss the recommendations made.

27/ Committee Minutes, 10 Dec 52. (See Exhibit No. 10)

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As of 1 December 1952

Headquarters 40th Air Division

Colonel Thayer S. Olds	Commanding Officer
Colonel Joe R. Williams	Director of Personnel(Prim dy) Executive Officer (Add dy)
Colonel Robert P. Montgomery	Director of Operations
Major Harry P. Wagner	Operations Staff Officer

811th Air Base Group

Colonel John J. Easton	Commanding Officer
Lt. Col. John L. Wright	Deputy Commanding Officer
Major Edmond L. Fortin	Base Adjutant
Lt. Col. Chester M. Campbell	Base Materiel Officer
Major Harry A. Mintz	Acting Base Operations and Training Officer
Major William H. Milnor	Base Personnel Officer
Major Henry C. Kelley	Base Comptroller
Lt. Col. Fred L. Houck	Base Manpower Management Officer
Major John S. Dennis	Staff Judge Advocate
Major Luther W. McArthur	Base Chaplain
Captain Lawrence O. Savage	Base Information Services Officer
Major Harry A. Mintz	Acting CO, 811th Operations Squadron
Major Johnnie P. Harlow	CO, 811th Air Police Squadron and Air Provost Marshal

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ROSTER OF KEY PERSONNEL (Cont'd)

811th Air Base Group (Cont'd)

Major Melford Loeffler	CO, 811th Supply Squadron
Major George Noga	Base Accountable Officer
Capt William V. Favor	CO, 811th Motor Vehicle Sq.
Capt Frank D. Furlow	CO, 811th Installations Sq.
Capt Charles W. McCrae	CO, 811th Food Service Sq.
Capt Joseph G. Guggino	CO, Headquarters Squadron Section, Air Base Group

ROSTER OF KEY PERSONNEL

As of 31 December 1952

Headquarters 40th Air Division

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Lt. Col. Chester M. Conrad	Base Operations and Training Officer
Major William H. Milnor	Base Personnel Officer

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Roster of Key Personnel - 811th Air Base Group (Cont'd)

Major Henry C. Kelley	-	Base Comptroller
Lt. Col. Fred L. Houck		Base Manpower Management Officer
Major John S. Dennis		Staff Judge Advocate
Major Luther W. McArthur		Base Chaplain
Captain Lawrence O. Savage		Base Information Services Officer
Lt. Col. Chester M. Conrad		CO, 811th Operations Squadron
Major Johnnie P. Harlow		CO, 811th Air Police Squadron and Air Provost Marshal
Major Melford Loeffler		CO, 811th Supply Squadron
Major George Noga		Base Accountable Officer
Captain William V. Favor		CO, 811th Motor Vehicle Squadron
Captain Frank D. Furlow		CO, 811th Installations Squadron
Captain Charles W. McRae		CO, 811th Food Service Squadron
Captain Joseph G. Guggino		CO, Headqiarters Squadron Section, 811th Air Base Group

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811th Food Service Squadron
811th Installations Squadron
811th Supply Squadron
811th Motor Vehicle Squadron

Base Newspaper - "Fighters In-Formation," (December editions)

Central Files - Adjutant's Section, 811th Air Base Group

Headquarters 40th Air Division Files.

APPENDIX

TABLE OF SCHOOLS - DECEMBER 1952

The status of training with regard to schools for personnel this station during the month of December 1952 was as follows:

Airman attending schools as of 1 December 1952 - 262

Airmen departed for schools in December 1952 - 21

Airmen returned from schools in December 1952 - 12

Airmen attending schools as of 31 December 1952 - 271

The following list is a breakdown, by course, of the airmen who departed for schools during the month:

4 - Personnel Specialist Course, Scott AFB, Illinois.

2 - Crypto Operator Course, Francis E. Warren AFB, Wyoming.

15 - Supply Technician Course, Francis E. Warren AFB, Wyoming.

The following list is a breakdown, by course, of the officers who departed for schools during the month:

1 - Installation Engineer Officers Course, Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio

Officers attending schools as of 1 December 1952 - 12

Officers departed for schools in December 1952 - 1

Officers returned from schools in December 1952 - 4

Officers attending schools as of 31 December 1952 - 9

EXHIBIT NO. 1

RECRUITING STATISTICS--DECEMBER 1952

A breakdown of enlistments, by squadrons, for the month of December is as follows:

Headquarters 811th Air Base Group	-	2
811th Air Police Squadron	-	2
811th Motor Vehicle Squadron	-	2
811th Air Installations Squadron	-	1
811th Operations Squadron	-	6
811th Supply Squadron	-	3
31st Armament and Electronics Maint. Sq.	-	2
31st Field Maintenance Squadron	-	1
31st Periodic Maintenance Squadron	-	3
31st Medical Group	-	1
307th Fighter-Escort Squadron	-	2
508th Medical Group	-	1
Headquarters Squadron, 508th Ftr-Esc Wg	-	2
Total		28

Three off-base reenlistments were also accomplished this month by the Base Recruiting Office.

EXHIBIT NO. 2

HEADQUARTERS 811TH AIR BASE GROUP
OFFICE OF THE CIVILIAN PERSONNEL OFFICER
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

BASE CP 230

3 December 52

SUBJECT: Security Indoctrination Training for Civilian Employees

TO: Base Commander
Turner AFB
Albany, Georgia

1. Your attention is invited to SAC regulation 205-16, 15 May 52, Security Indoctrination Program. This regulation outlines the procedure for indoctrination of military and civilian personnel in the requirements for individual responsibilities toward the internal security of Strategic Air Command. The security indoctrination is comprised of two phases.

a. Phase I consists of 5 one hour lectures on the following subjects:

(1) Basic Principles of Communism.
(2) Each Individual's Place in the Security Structure and Security Program.
(3) The Subversive Threat.
(4) Safeguarding Classified Material (to include test "Safeguarding Military Information.")
(5) Security through Leadership and Patriotism.

b. Phase II is of a continuing nature and will consist of subjects distributed as necessary from SAC.

2. Paragraph 7 of this regulation states that no individual will be granted an Interim Secret, Interim Top Secret or Accepted Risk Clearance until the individual has completed Phase I, or is currently receiving Phase I. Individuals possessing Interim Secret or Interim Top Secret clearances will not be granted a Final Clearance until they have satisfactorily completed Phase I.

3. In view of the mandatory requirement of this regulation all civilian employees will be required to complete the security indoctrination training.

EXHIBIT NO. 3

BASE CP 230 Subject: Security Indoctrination Training for Civilian Employees

4. Phase I of the program, which will include all five subjects, will be conducted at the Base Theatre on Monday, 15 December 1952 and Tuesday, 16 December 52. The training schedule will commence at 0815 and conclude at 1515 on both days. It is desirable to have 50% of the employees attend the Monday session and the remainder on Tuesday. However, it is realized that operating sections may have individual work problems and in this connection may desire to send the majority of their employees on any one day. This will be left to the discretion of the sections concerned.

5. It is requested that the Civilian Personnel Office be furnished a list of these employees who will attend the Monday session and those scheduled for the Tuesday session no later than 10 December 52. Attendance will be taken and certificate of completion of training will be included in their 201 folders.

/s/ George F. Johnston
/t/ GEORGE F. JOHNSTON
Civilian Personnel Officer

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TURNER AIR FORCE BASE
GROUND SAFETY
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REPORT OF DISABLING INJURIES THRU NOVEMBER

1952	Mtr Veh	PT & Sports	Job	Barracks & Home	Alt	Ped	Other	Total
Turner AFB								
Jan Thru Oct	23	24	15	9	8	6	5	90
November	2	1	0	1	1	2	0	7
TOTALS	25	25	15	10	9	8	5	97
1951 TAFB								
Jan thru Nov	18*****	10	6	4	8	5	2*	53
* Fatality								
1952								
31st Fighter Esc Wing								
Jan thru Nov	8	6	5	4	1	3	1	28
November		(No Injuries during November)						
TOTALS	8	6	5	4	1	3	1	28
508th Fighter Esc Wing								
July thru Oct	2	1	0	1	0	0	0	4
November	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	3
TOTALS	2	2	0	2	0	1	0	7
811th Air Base Group								
Jan thru Oct	13	17	10	4	7	3	4	58
November	2	0	0	0	1	1	0	4
TOTALS	15	17	10	4	8	4	4	62

Motor vehicle accidents were the most numerous type during November as during October. Two injuries were attributable to this cause, both occurring under similar circumstances. In both cases civilian drivers turned left in front of the private car operated by an airman. In neither case did the idea of DEFENSIVE DRIVING seem to enter the minds of the military driver. In one case the military driver was definitely exceeding the 30 mph speed limit at the time of the accident. Both were experienced drivers and both should have, and probably did, recognize the dangers of the situation. The accidents may have been avoided or minimized if the drivers had CHECKED THEIR SPEED SHARPLY (slowed down) at the first indication of danger.

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Defensive driving saves dollars as well as injuries. One man boasted to this writer that he had allowed a road hog going around head for what was apparently a bad smash-up by not letting him back in line. This is defenseless driving. Defensive driving, by contrast, seeks to avoid smash-ups by quick thinking and prompt action. Get your men to try this. They may be next, especially with the Christmas Holidays coming up.

CHRISTMAS & NEW YEARS HOLIDAYS AND DRIVING ACCIDENTS

With the holidays coming the problem of driving while on leave comes up again. It would be a wise move, probably, for each Squadron Commander to caution his men on this score. Some of the points to be taken up include:

1. Hours of darkness comes early; periods of daylight are much shorter.
2. It has been proven by statistics that more and worse accidents occur from night driving - so -- men should be advised not to drive at night if possible, and then to reduce speed to between 40 and 50 mph.
3. Start in time to get to the destination without pushing.
4. Rest before starting back, and start back in time. It is wise for men to realize that being a few minutes late is not as serious as being injured or dead.
5. Look out for drinking drivers, who are especially numerous at this time of year.
6. Don't be a drinking driver.
7. Observe all road rules: Get car in safe condition.
8. Drive DEFENSIVELY.

DRINKING DRIVER

There was a great increase in October in arrests for "DUI". Don't be fooled by the argument that these people were arrested without cause, having had only "2 beers." A review of the records shows that some definite traffic violation indicative of a reckless driver preceded each arrest, the driver then being found to be "DUI", not slightly, but well under the influence of intoxicants. As the result of a series of talks during November, this total declined materially. There were two arrests on 1 December for DUI. Indoctrination should continue on this theme, it is believed, until the Holiday Season is past. It is not intended to ask men not to drink. It is important that they do not drive when or after drinking. (This applies to the Ground Safety Officer, too. His wife is a teetotaler. So are his sons. They drive.)

CHRISTMAS TREE CAUTIONS

1. Keep the tree in wet sand, so that it will remain moist.
2. Spraying the tree with sodium silicate helps. However, this is not fool proof as the tree may catch fire. Keep it moist.
3. Do not use inflammable decorations or candles in the room. Decorations must be fire resistant. Electric lights for trees that are in good condition are best.
4. Use two wire lights when possible as series lights are more dangerous. Be sure connections are good and wires have no breaks. Do not hook wires over metal ornaments.

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5. It is much safer to cut off lights when tree is not attended. This applies especially to indoor trees.

6. Squadrons on the Base must have trees treated and installation approved by the Fire Department.

7. Privately owned trees should be treated. Contact the Fire Department for necessary information.

8. Do not by any means use cotton, cotton batting or similar material at the base of trees. A sheet is much safer.

MERRY XMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR!

As the Holiday Season approaches we of the Ground Safety Section, as well as everyone that we know, feel the mellowness of the season. We hope that all will forgive us our many shortcomings. Let us all start the New Year with a clean slate, determined to devote ourselves to the cause of Safety. We hope, with all our hearts, that 1953 will bring less suffering, injury, loss and maybe death than 1952.

Yours for Safety

Samuel Z. Orgel, Ground Safety Officer
Jack S. Phillips, NCOIC
Leroy F. Sterling, Inspector
Lester B. Fleming, Inspector
Henry J. Turner, Clerk and Inspector

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AIRPLANE AND FLYING TIME DATA - BASE FLIGHT

Airplane Time:

T-6 ..... 132:15

T-11 ..... 3:00

C-47 ..... 408:30

	T-6	T-11	C-47
Training	60:00	1:20	0:00
Administrative.....	91:30	1:40	408:30

Flying Time by Organizations:

T-6		C-47	T-11
Base Flight.....	36:55	553:40	3:00
466th Ftr-Esc Sq.....	2:00	72:00	
467th Ftr-Esc Sq.....	33:20	91:10	
468th Ftr-Esc Sq.....	31:40	45:55	
307th Ftr-Esc Sq.....	10:50	46:45	
308th Ftr-Esc Sq.....	30:55	41:40	
309th Ftr-Esc Sq.....	5:50	62:45	

Total Flying Time Obtained by Aircraft:

T-6..... 151:30 T-11 ..... 3:00 C-47..... 914:05

Instrument Time Obtained in Type Aircraft:

T-6..... 22:35 T-11 ..... 0:00 C-47..... 66:45

Following are percentages of AFR 60-2 requirements completed by pilots assigned or attached to Base Flight for flying for the month of December 1952, percentages are based on the maximum of 65 hours proficiency, 9 hours night and 10 hours hood and/or weather. Average number of pilots assigned or attached was 29.

Proficiency..... 98%
Night..... 100%
Hood and/or Weather..... 100%

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AIRPLANE AND FLYING TIME DATA - BASE FLIGHT (Cont'd)

The Turner Tower processed three thousand, three hundred and seventy-three (3,373) take-offs and landings, forty-two (42) practice VHF/DF steers and three (3) emergency VHF/DF steers during the month of December 1952.

/s/ Thomas W. Cannon, Jr.
/t/ THOMAS W. CANNON, JR.
Capt., USAF
Base Operations Officer

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JOSEPH E. ZURO
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PHYSICAL CONDITIONING REPORT AS OF 31 DECEMBER 52

1. Physical Conditioning Unit

a. Treatments

520	Pilots
363	Non-rated officers
116	Airmen
11	Medical Treatments
1,010	TOTAL

Time Expended

1,232	Hours
20	Working Days
50.5	Daily Treatments
26.0	Pilots/day
18.1	Non-rated officers/day
5.8	Airmen/day
0.5	Medical treatments/day
1.4	Decrease from previous report

2. Physical conditioning of tactical pilots:

Number of pilots that participated in exercise and judo:

Exercise	Judo
81 Participants	10 Participants
520 Workouts	20 Workouts

3. Physical conditioning of non-tactical personnel:

a. Average available strength: 2,353
Total self-supervised hours conditioning reported (3 wks) 13,019
Total hours conditioning as required by 40ADR 50-1 24,736
Attendance percentage 52.6%

b. Training conducted by instructors of this section, and not included in the above consolidations:

	Man/periods/month
Prisoners (5 days/week)	406
811th Operations Sq (airmen)	416
811th AB Gp Officers Judo class (3 wks)	68
Total	890

Averages: 58.6 man periods/day trained on out-status

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HEADQUARTERS 40TH AIR DIVISION
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

28 November 1952

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SUBJECT: Implementation of the UAL-BAL Project

TO: Commanding Officer, 31st Fighter-Escort Wing
Commanding Officer, 508th Fighter-Escort Wing
Commanding Officer, 811th Air Base Group
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

1. You are aware of the unit allowance list and base allowance list system which is to be implemented, and the resulting workload and close deadlines that have been imposed upon us by higher headquarters. In order that these deadlines may be met, it has been necessary to establish the following schedule to be followed by the organizations within your commands. On the date specified, or sooner if possible, the completed unit allowance list of the unit involved will be hand-carried by a member of that unit to the President of the Base Equipment Review Board.

8 December

811th Air Police Squadron
811th Food Service Squadron

10 December
3944th RBS Squadron
31st Medical Group
508th Medical Group

12 December

811th Supply Squadron
Hq Sq Sec, 811th AB Group

15 December

811th Motor Vehicle Squadron
811th Installations Squadron

16 December
811th Operations Squadron
Hq Sq Sec, 31st Fighter Escort Wing
Hq Sq Sec, 508th Fighter Escort Wing

17 December

Periodic Maint. Sq. 31st FE Wing
Periodic Maint. Sq. 508th FE Wing

18 December
Fighter Sqs, 31st FE Wing
Fighter Sqs, 508th FE Wing

19 December

A&E Maint Sq, 31st FE Wing
A&E Maint Sq, 508th FE Wing

22 December

Field Maint. Sq, 31st FE Wing
Field Maint. Sq, 508th FE Wing

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2. To insure that this program is properly monitored, it is my desire that each of you appoint a project officer who will see that this schedule is met. The names of the officers so appointed will be submitted to the President of the Review Board not later than 3 December.

3. Lt. Col. Chester M. Campbell, Jr., and Mr. William H. McGough of the 811th Air Base Group have been appointed Base Project Officers for the implementation of this system. Any questions pertaining to technicalities should be referred to them at extension 544.

4. Because of the short deadlines that have been imposed, you are directed to take any steps necessary to insure that all members of the Base Equipment Review Board as designated in Paragraph 24, Special Orders 254, Headquarters 40th Air Division, dated 23 October 1952, are available for full-time duty with this board from this date through 24 December 1952.

/s/ Thayer S. Olds
/t/ THAYER S. OLDS
Colonel, USAF
Commanding

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Joseph E. Zuro

JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

LIST OF CONTRACTS EXECUTED DURING DECEMBER

1952

PURCHASING AND CONTRACTING

Contract No.	Contractor	Description	Amount
96	S. J. Curry & Co.	Lumber Shed	$28,811.00
97	Dixie Dairies	Ice Cream	450.00
98	The Peele Co.	Hangar Door	28,835.00
99	Golden Glow Dairies	Milk	17,370.00
100	Colonial Dairies	Milk	13,146.00
101	American Bakeries	Bread	10,215.00
102	Foremost Dairies	Ice Cream	5,022.00
104	Atlantic Co.	Ice	1,680.00
105	Consolidated Gas Co.	Butane	1,500.00

/s/ Joseph R. Carroll
/t/ JOSEPH R. CARROLL
Captain, USAF
Contracting Officer

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1st Lt., USAF

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PROJECTS BEING ADMINISTERED BY THE SAVANNAH DISTRICT

ENGINEERS AND AIR INSTALLATIONS - TURNER AFB, ALBANY, GEORGIA

Savannah District Engineers Projects	Status
Navigational Aids (Contract No. 935)	99.5% complete
Fuel Storage and Distribution (Contract No. 1107)	99% "
Oper. Fuel Storage Tanks (Contract No. 1071)	99% "
Ammunition Storage Igloos (Contract No. 1501)	87% "
Administration Building (Contract No. 1512)	23% "
General Purpose Warehouse (Contract No. 1515)	30% "
Bulk Storage Tanks (Contract No. 1271)	92% "
Projects being administered by Air Installations:	
Installation of Regulators on Hot Water Heaters (28-52)	8% "
Grading and Paving Between Apron and Security Fence (29-52)	95% "
Rehabilitation of Hangar Doors in Building 5010 (50-52)	Project approved, work not yet started.
Rehabilitation of Hospital Buildings (27-52)	95% "
Sealing Approximately 213,000 sq. yds. Runways and Taxiways (69-52)	100% "
Install Heating Unit in Building T-1100A (38-52)	100% "
Installation of Water Mains and Fire Hydrants (3-53)	40% "
Installation of Duplex Receptacles in Forty-four Airmen Barracks (11-53)	70% "
Construction of One Supply Warehouse (13-53)	15% "
Construction of Paint and Dope Storage Building (14-53)	20% "

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COMMITTEE MINUTES

10 Dec 52

1. The Turner AFB Airmen Living Improvement Fund Advisory Committee, appointed under authority of paragraph 9, special order number 123, Headquarters 811th AB Gp, 28 November 1952, convened at 1300 hours on Tuesday, 9 December 1952.

2. Consideration was given to all possible expenditures that would be of most benefit to the maximum number of airmen, both single and married. The following recommendations were decided upon:

a. $20,000 to be used in remodeling building number 2207, presently occupied by Base Supply activities, into a suitable airmen's club. A proportionate share, thereof, to be used to improve facilities in the Annex to the Noncommissioned Officers' Club; thereby, benefiting those airmen who utilize those facilities.

b. $10,000 to be used for the construction and equipment of a nine (9) hole golf course to be known as the Airmen's Golf Club.

c. It is further recommended that the noncommissioned officer members of the committee be permitted to attend a meeting with the Officer Board, for the purpose of giving suggestions on the manner in which expenditures are made, thereby, effecting maximum benefit from the monies.

3. There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 1430 hours.

/s/ Richard A. Fuller
/t/ RICHARD A. FULLER
T/Sgt, AF 15112080

/s/ Glenn H. Mehew
/t/ GLENN H. MEHEW
M/Sgt, AF 38020556
Chairman

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and

811TH AIR BASE GROUP

TURNER AIR FORCE BASE, ALBANY, GEORGIA

for

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HEADQUARTERS 40TH AIR DIVISION

and

811TH AIR BASE GROUP

TURNER AIR FORCE BASE, ALBANY, GEORGIA

(SECOND AIR FORCE)

(STRATEGIC AIR COMMAND)

for

JANUARY 1953

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CHRONOLOGY

12 January 1953 - Receipt of SAC Operations Order 3-52. (Movement of 508th Strategic Fighter Wing to FEAF).

15 January 1953 - SAC General Orders No. 2. (Proposed Activation of the 100th Air Refueling Squadron).

17 January 1953 - Notification received of transfer of F-84-10 Mobile Training Detachment from Turner to Dow Air Force Base, Maine.

26 January 1953 - Advance Party of 508th Strategic Fighter Wing departed for FEAF

20 January 1953 - Redesignation of 31st and 508th Fighter-Escort Wings to 31st and 508th Strategic Fighter Wings.

28 January 1953 - Turner AFB notified that it had won Flight Safety Award for period January-June 1952.

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ORGANIZATION AND ADMINISTRATION

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I - ORGANIZATION AND ADMINISTRATION

The 40th Air Division and 811th Air Base Group Headquarters this month were concerned with a number of significant organizational and administrative matters. Of notable importance was the receipt of the Operations Order which ordered the movement of the 508th Strategic Fighter Wing to temporary duty in the Far East. 1/ In line with this, an advance party composed of 508th Wing and 811th Air Base Group personnel was readied, and departed from Turner Air Force Base 26 January for their destination in Japan. A total of 72 personnel comprised the advance party.

The proposed activation and assignment of the 100th Air Refueling Squadron to become effective 20 January, 2/ did not take place pending consideration of the adequacy of the assignment by higher headquarters. The main factor which caused the delay was the low bearing surfaces of the parking area and runways for KB-29 type aircraft.

On 17 January Division Headquarters received information that the F-84-10 Mobile Training Detachment at Turner would be withdrawn PCS to Dow Air Force Base, Maine, via Bergstrom Air Force Base, Texas for 60 days TDY. The movement date and orders were to come from Air Training

1/ Operations Order 3-53, Hq 2AF, dtd 12 Jan 53. (On file, Hq TAFB,Ga.)

2/ General Orders No. 2, Hq SAC, dtd 15 Jan 53. (See Exhibit No. 1)

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Command, Scott Air Force Base, Illinois.

The Division's two tactical units were redesignated during the month. Effective 20 January, the 508th and 31st Fighter-Escort Wings became Strategic-Fighter Wings. 3/

At the suggestion of the Division Commander, an Administrative Standardization Board was established 1 January for a test period of 90 days for the purpose of improving and standardizing all administrative procedures within the command. 4/ The board was composed initially of the Division Director of Personnel and the Personnel Officers of the 31st and 508th Wings and 811th Air Base Group. The Board will seek to standardize such matters as orderly room administrative procedures, maintenance of basic records, personnel audit procedures, and the correlation between basic records and other reports for correct personnel accounting. The Board met twice during the month to formulate policies on transfers of individuals within the 40th Air Division, and as a result published 40th Air Division Regulation 35-25, "Reassignment of Airmen." This matter was brought up at the suggestion of the Division Director of Personnel because of the lack of criteria in transferring airmen within the command.

3/ General Orders No. 77, Hq SAC, dtd 23 Dec 53. (See Exhibit No. 2)

4/ Ltr, 40th Air Div, Subj: Administrative Standardization Board," dtd 29 Dec 53. (See Exhibit No. 3)

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II - PERSONNEL

Although the movement of the 508th Wing imposed several rather severe burdens upon the Personnel Office, 5/ one bright spot emerged. This was the records processing system 6/ set up under the direction of the Adjutant's section to administer the records of the 1100 personnel who were to make the move to the Far East. The earlier move of the 31st Fighter-Escort Wing had revealed the inadequacy of make-shift records processing and the Adjutant's section took immediate step to insure efficient processing upon receipt of the operations order assigning the 508th to temporary duty overseas. Fortunately, the 508th had considerably longer time in which to prepare itself for the movement than had the 31st. The Adjutant's section took advantage of this time lag to set up an efficient system.

Upon receipt of the operations order, two important conferences were held to lay the ground work for the records processing system. The meetings were attended by the adjutants and personnel officers of the 508th Wing and 811th Air Base Group, the finance officer, the medical officer, mobility officer, and personal affairs officer. It was decided to place the responsibility of processing the personnel under the Adjutant's Section to complete all phases of processing "under one roof," and to

5/ See discussion in Personnel Section of December, 1952 "History of 40th Air Division and 811th Air Base Group."

6/ Personal interview with Lt. T. M. MacGlothlin, Asst Base Adjutant, in charge of records processing.

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draw up a schedule to be strictly adhered to by each of the 508th squadrons. A shorter, more efficient clearance form was also devised which eliminated a number of agencies having nothing to do with the clearing of the personnel involved.

The processing line was set up in the NCO Club Annex building and comprised all processing agencies including medical personnel. Working from a master mobility roster, the first sergeant of each unit scheduled for processing, checked each man's name as he came through the line and handed him his 201 file. When each man completed the processing line he handed the file back to the first sergeant. Thus, the processing was completed at one time in an orderly and efficient manner.

The Adjutant's section learned several things from the experience, which will form the basis for setting up a records processing system on any future move. First, it was found that by strict adherence to a schedule, each squadron was processed as a group in as short a time as possible. This prevented irksome delays and confusion and the 1100 men scheduled to make the move were processed in six days. Secondly, in requiring the first sergeants of each unit to handle the 201 files the Wing was assured that each man's records were completed accurately. Thirdly, by housing the processing line in one building, much time and confusion were saved. Even immunization was accomplished in the line. During the movement of the 31st Wing, personnel were required to go from building to building, and as a result there was a lack of control

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in processing the records. Fourth, the new, shorter clearance form proved a great time saver and kept the processing personnel at a minimum. Finally, as a direct outgrowth of the two planning conferences held before the actual processing commenced, all processing personnel were briefed as to what their duties were.

The movement of the 508th found the Personal Affairs Office well prepared to take care of the mass of details incident to overseas processing. The individual files were in up-to-date condition as a result of a prior routine check and the number of personnel was regulated to prevent long lines. As a result there was relatively little waiting and confusion so that each individual's duty was to see that personnel of the Wing receive the same service overseas that they would normally receive at their home station. Such services include the initiating of allotments, designation of insurance beneficiaries, casualty assistance, and any other service which will assist either Wing personnel or their dependents. Letters have been sent to dependents of Wing personnel, outlining the type of service they may receive while the Wing is overseas.

The Personal Affairs Office also headed up the 1953 March of Dimes campaign for the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis. 7/

7/ See Special Projects, page 31.

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The Personnel Services Office this month instituted a Cost and Participation file as a basis for the entire planning of the Base Special Services Program. Broken down into two parts, the file consists of an Off-Duty Activities Register 8/ and a Cost Participation System. Ultimately, the Register will show the areas of recreational interest of each man assigned to the base. This will enable the Personnel Services Office to operate a program in line with the known interests of Turner personnel. The Register cards also include a section on social activities in which men can indicate such information as to what clubs they are members of. Thus, the Office will be able to cooperate more fully in civic club "sons-in-service" programs. The Cost Participation System will show how many personnel participated in each activity and the cost per participant. Inasmuch as the Personnel Services Office maintains a wide variety of activities, ranging from athletics of all types to arts and crafts, the new system of accounting will enable the office to keep a constant check on participation and cost of the program. Participation is computed on a daily basis, whereas cost is on a monthly basis, due to the fact that supplies and miscellaneous cash is extended or used on different scheduled activities.

The Personnel Services Office opened a Small Crafts Shop in early January, making available to Turner military personnel the opportunity to engage in small crafts and hobbies such as photography, model airplane

8/ Off-Duty Activities Register. (See Exhibit No. 4)

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making, leather crafts, ceramics and the like. The Office began the renovation of outdoor play areas, such as horshoe pitches, volleyball courts and baseball and softball diamonds, in preparation for the spring and summer athletic seasons. Plans for yearly athletic participation and athletic achievement awards were begun and anticipated a regular intra-mural point system to include all athletic activities.

Special Services also participated fully in the March of Dimes campaign during the month. 9/

The Base Education Office this month began a number of previously proposed programs, including the first elementary school for 1953. Due to the movement of personnel, it has been necessary to cut the size of this school to approximately half that originally planned. The original plan of the school called for a student body of approximately seventy students. At registration it was necessary to cut this number to fifty-six. As original squadron quotas were cut and with two squadrons, the 811th Air Police and the 811th Food Service, largely withdrawn, the majority of students who were originally scheduled to attend class were unable to enroll. Of the original fifty-six, still further reductions were necessary due to the mobility plan, duty conflict and excessive absences. These reasons required that eighteen become disenrolled. The permanent student body remained at 38 students in two classes with three instructors. From all indications and from past experience, this number

9/ See Special Projects, page 31.

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will represent the typical student body and future classes will be of approximately the same size.

The testing program was extremely active during the month of January. One hundred and eighteen tests were administered on the high school level. This increase represented the results of a more active publicity program, and perhaps more significantly, the increased emphasis on high school education in the various units of the base. On 22 January 1953, authorization was granted the Education Office to again resume college level General Education Development testing. Since no tests on the college level have been given since 22 September 1952 at this testing center, a backlog of test applicants had built up. Consequently, the testing program on the college level should prove to be as vigorious as that of the high school program for several months.

Registration was held during the month for the second semester program with Florida State University. The "Operation Bootstrap" program for the Winter semester will offer four subjects on the college level. These are Mathematics 117, (college Algebra), English 102, (second semester Freshman composition), Public Speaking 105, and History 116, (History of Western Civilization Since the Reformation). It was anticipated that 80 to 100 students would take part in this program. Final registration will be held on 4 February 1953 and classes will begin on 9 February 1953.

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During January, language records and textbooks in Japanese were obtained for the 508th Fighter-Escort Wing. Classes in Japanese have been organized, and study will continue after the Wing reaches its destination. This is a typical example of the type of service the Education Office can offer units, especially those, who because of mobility cannot take advantage of more on-base education work. Another desirable aspect of this type of service was the fact that these materials were not charged to the unit, base, education office, etc., but were paid for by the United States Armed Forces Institute.

In the field of Ground Safety, 1952 was a better than average year. 10/ The program was marked by three outstanding records, first, fatalities due to Ground accidents; secondly, a much lower military and civilian accident cost per capita than for any preceding year, and thirdly, the winning of the Strategic Air Command's "Operation Safe-wheels" Achievement Award for the month of July. The military accident rate, however, rose considerably over that in 1951. This was due mainly to a greatly expanded sports program, an increase in on-the-job accidents, and a numerical increase in private motor vehicle reportable injuries. In general, however, the year was marked by fewer government vehicle accidents and less property damage than in 1951. Private vehicle accidents, sports accidents, and altercations were the main "black sheep" during the year. (Accidents reported in January, 1953, seemed to be following this general trend. 11/

10/ Ground Safety Sect. "Report for 1952," 15 Jan 53. (See Exhibit No. 5)
11/ Ground Accident Rpt for Jan 1953, dtd 12 Feb 53. (See Exhibit No. 6)

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The Personnel Section administered a number of routine tasks in the way of classification board actions, the testing program 12/, schools, 13/ and recruitment. 14/ The Civilian Personnel Office Awards Committee met during the month and made recommendations on suggestions tendered by three civilian personnel. The recommendations were forwarded to the Base Commander for action.

Two important staff appointments in 40th Air Division and 811th Air Base Group Headquarters were announced during the month. Lieutenant Colonel Lawrence J. Pickett reported to 40th Air Division Headquarters for duty with the Office of the Director of Operations. 15/ Colonel Pickett was formerly with the 508th Strategic-Fighter Wing. Lieutenant Colonel George K. Sykes was appointed Executive Officer of the 811th Air Base Group Headquarters. 16/

12/ Statistics from Base Personnel Classification Section. (See Exhibit No. 7)

13/ Table of Schools. (See Exhibit No. 8)

14/ Reenlistments. (See Exhibit No. 9)

15/ Special Orders No. 7, Hq 40th Air Div, Turner AFB, Ga. dtd 9 Jan 53. (See Exhibit No. 10)

16/ General Orders No. 3, Hq 811th Air Base Group, TurnerAFB, Ga, dtd 27 Jan 53. (See Exhibit No. 11)

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III - OPERATIONS AND TRAINING

Operations-wise, the most significant event of the month of January was the arrival of Second Air Force Operations Order 3-53 which set forth the plan for the movement of the 508th Strategic Fighter Wing to the Far East. 17/ The plan called for the deployment of the 508th, less its aircraft, to Misawa and Chitose Air Force Bases, Japan, for a period of 90 days. This was in keeping with the requirement existing in the Strategic Air Command for "the continued rotation of SAC strategic fighter wings to the Far East Air Force for the purpose of obtaining training and rotational experience." 18/ An advanced party composed of 508th personnel, augmented by 811th Air Base Group personnel, left Turner for Misawa AFB on 26 January. This party was to be followed in early February by the main body of 1121 officers and airmen, 295 of whom were scheduled to go to Chitose AFB, and 826 to Misawa Air Force Base.

Another outstanding event was the notification from higher headquarters that Turner had been awarded a Flight Safety Award for its outstanding flying safety record during the period, January to June, 1952. In his letter to the Commanding General, Strategic Air Command, General Hoyt S. Vandenberg, Air Force Chief of Staff, conveyed his personel

17/ Operations Order 3-53, 2AF, dtd 12 Jan 53. On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.

18/ Ibid.

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congratulations to the commanders and personnel at Turner for "this outstanding record." 19/ General Curtis LeMay, Commanding General of the Strategic Air Command, also commended the personnel at Turner. He added that the determination of the many individuals who contributed to the safety record "has not only placed them among the top units of the Air Force, but, of even more importance, has saved lives and expensive equipment so badly needed today." 20/ Major General Frank A. Armstrong, Commanding General of the Second Air Force, stated that the award was not "an award for an individual, but rather for a well-trained organization." 21/ General Armstrong also added that when the flight safety award plaques arrived at his Headquarters, he would make the presentation personally.

During the month, the Operations Section set up an Instrument Training Flight, pooling all T-33 and T-6 aircraft under the operational control of the Base Instrument Training Section, and opening a Ground Instrument Training School. 22/ Three qualified instrument instructor pilots, including the Officer in Charge of the Flight, were to be assigned to

19/ Ltr, Dept of Air Force, Subj: Flight Safety Awards, dtd 15 Dec 52. (See Exhibit No. 12)

20/ Ltr, CG, SAC, Subj: Flight Safety Awards, dtd 20 Jan 53. (See Exhibit No. 13)

21/ 1st Ind, Basic Ltr fr Gen LeMay, Subj: Flight Safety Awards, file 2AFCG 200.6, dtd 28 Jan 53. (See Exhibit No. 14)

22/ Ltr, Hq 40th Air Div, Subj: Instrument Training Flight, dtd 12 Jan 53. (See Exhibit No. 15)

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duty with the school. Flying training was to consist of instruction in basic instruments, radio range, radio compass, radio navigation, letdowns, GCA, and flight check. The ground training curriculum included CAA and AF Regulations, Instrument Handbooks, jet letdown, radio range, radio compass and weather.

The Base Training Flight during January prepared to conduct a school in ground training tactics for the purpose of training selected NCO's from each squadron stationed at Turner. 23/ Following completion of their training the NCO's were to return to their squadrons as instructors to assist in unit ground training. Classes were expected to begin in early February, 1953. In addition, the Air Base Training Flight conducted Atomic, Biological and Chemical Warfare training for 390 airmen, and conducted NCO training in leadership and drill for Master and Technical Sergeants of the 811th Operations Squadron.

Base Flight aircraft flew a total of 683 hours, 35 minutes during January, 24/ and a total of 1429 hours, 5 minutes flying time was recorded. 25/

The training program in the Medical Department was intensified during the month because of the large number of untrained personnel presently assigned to the organizations. The program was aimed at training all newly assigned and recalled airmen in their specialities

23/ Ltr, Hq 40th Air Div, Subj: Ground Defense Training, File DOP 370.2, dtd 23 Jan 53. (See Exhibit No. 16)

24/ Airplane and Flying Time Statistics, Jan 53. (See Exhibit No. 17)

25/ Ibid.

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in order to fill the TO&E positions with the most qualified individuals. Results of on-the-job training were most favorable and a specialized program was currently conducted for the training of personnel in the professional fields. Both the 31st and 508th Medical Groups were consolidated under one officer for hospital training in order to prevent duplication of effort in accomplishing the training program.

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IV - MATERIEL

The anticipated arrival during February, 1953, of the 100th Air Refueling Squadron caused a number of headaches for the Base Materiel Office. Naturally, the housing of some 289 personnel was a major concern, and plans were projected to double-bunk the personnel of the 811th Operations Squadron in order to make room for the incoming 100th ARS people. Withe respect to the placing of the 20 KB-29 aircraft belonging to the new unit, Base Materiel planned to make use of the present refueling trailer area on the line. 26/

In the area of aircraft and vehicle utilization, major problems were still being met. Low supply effectiveness, generally, seemed to be the chief factor involved, although maintenance personnel losses and accelerated depreciation of various vehicle parts were important. To begin with, at the outset of the month of January low supply effectiveness existing at the depots accounted for an abnormal ANFE (Aircraft Not Fully Equipped) percentage. 27/ Likewise, the AOCP (Aircraft Out of Commission Awaiting Parts) percentage also increased steadily during the first week of January. 28/ There was a very definite increase in the VOC (Vehicle Out of Commission) percentage for 31 December 1952 over that of 31 November 1952. This had been caused by a slow processing of parts, parts

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26/ Interview with Materiel personnel.

27/ Weekly Progress Report, 7 Jan 53. (See Exhibit No. 18)

28/ Ibid.

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not available, and vehicular depreciation. 29/

By 9 January, the AOCP percentage was down slightly, but the ANFE percentage had climbed to 20.2, a 4.2 per cent increase over the December percentage. This, again, was caused by low supply effectiveness as indicated by the large number of line items needed. 30/ The AOCP percentage continued to drop slightly during the following week, as did the ANFE percentage, although the latter remained well over the previous month's average. Despite the fact that the AOCP percentage was down slightly, the number of AOCP line items needed steadily increased, again revealing the supply effectiveness problem. Likewise, low supply effectiveness still was the major factor in the high ANFE rate, 15 of the current line items then needed for ANFE having been awaited by Turner Base Supply for more than two months. 31/ A gradual increase in January's VOC percentage was due to the unexpected depreciation of a number of vehicular parts. Supply personnel believed that this was caused by the use of an inferior grade of lubricating grease. Samples were sent to Air Proving Grounds for testing, and the results were awaited at month's end. 32/

By 31 January, the AOCP percentage had increased to 5.6 per cent, giving a monthly average for January of 6.0, up from 5.6 for the month of

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29/ Weekly Progress Report, 7 Jan 53. (See Exhibit No. 18)

30/ Weekly Progress Report, 14 Jan 53. (See Exhibit No. 19)

31/ Weekly Progress Report, 21 Jan 53. (See Exhibit No. 20)

32/ Ibid.

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December, 1952. This increase was caused by the de-commissioning of seven T-33 aircraft due to lack of receivers. It was expected that these parts would arrive in early February. The ANFE percent had increased steadily through the final week of January, this due mainly to the lack of critical parts, long overdue. In an attempt to alleviate this most pressing problem, Base Materiel sent a letter to Second Air Force Headquarters asking assistance. There was a slight improvement in the VOCP status at month's end -- 2.0 per cent for the period ending 31 January, as opposed to 3.4 per cent for the 31 December 1952 period. 33/ There was a slight regression in the VOCm status due to an increase in the number of vehicles going out of commission for parts, and to the loss of 48 personnel on the movement of the 508th Strategic Fighter Wing. The AOCP percentage for the month of January was 6.1 percent, the VOCP was 3.4 percent, and the VOCM was 3.4 per cent.

Several major building and rehabilitation projects were satisfactorily completed or well on the way to completion during the month. 34/ The rehabilitation of the station hospital was completed at an expenditure of $24,400. Work included the repainting of the exterior of all damaged woodwork, and the installation and re-location of several fluorescent lights. By the end of the month the grading and paving of

33/ Weekly Progress Report, 4 Feb 53. (See Exhibit No. 21)

34/ Interview with S-4 personnel.

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of areas between the apron and security fence was 99 per cent complete. This was a $43,181 project. A Refueling and Bulk Storage System, a major project administered by the Savannah District Engineers, was better than 99 per cent complete by 31 January. The Aircraft Refueling project consisted of sixteen 25,000-gallon tanks and cost $649,000. The Bulk Storage project consisted of the building of three 80,000-gallon storage tanks at a cost of $184,674. The end of the month saw 93.5 per cent of the work completed on six, reinforced concrete Ammunition Storage Igloos costing $125,962. The installation of water mains and fire hydrants was completed in January. Several hydrants were relocated so as to make them more accessible to areas of possible fire hazard.

Other major projects which were better than half completed during the month included the rehabilitation of the dental clinic, the construction of a supply warehouse and the construction of a paint and and dope storage building. The dental clinic was in the process of being completely revamped and by the month's end, 51 per cent of the $35,950 project was completed. The work included the installation of new dental equipment, the installation of new fixtures, redecorating, and the construction of new rooms. A new general purpose warehouse, scheduled for completion by 30 September 1953 was 37 per cent complete. This will house Base Supply.

Work continued to go forward on the new permanent Administration Building, with 34 per cent of the work on the $213,818 structure

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completed by 15 June 1953. Floors are of asphalt tile. When completed, the building will house the 40th Air Division and 811th Air Base Group Headquarters, including such agencies as the Personnel, Operations and Training, Materiel, Finance, Adjutant, Information Services, and Manpower sections.

Work continued on two other major projects, the construction of a lumber shed in the Motor Pool area and the building of a railroad extension to the general purpose warehouse now under construction.

Rehabilitation of living quarters continued during the month. Installation of mastipave floor coverings in the airmen's barracks was 25 percent complete and the installation of attic fans in the BOQs and Enlisted men's quarters were 55 and 18 per cent complete respectively.

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V - MORALE

The AWOL problem, which had caused considerable concern at Turner, was pinpointed this month by the completion of two significant studies by the Management Analysis Service. The first of these, "Special Analysis of AWOL Statistics," discovered that "the high AWOL rate at Turner Air Force Base is an effect caused by a great number of airmen with poor education and low intelligence." 35/ The second of the studies, "Turner Air Force Base Educational Analysis," was an outcropping of the first, and recommended a revamping of the present policy on extra-curricular education. 36/

For the purposes of the first study, the Management Analysis Service conducted a survey of the 108 airmen who had been AWOL from 1 May 1952 to 30 October 1952. The findings revealed that such factors as marital status, age groups, and previous service had no conclusive bearing on the AWOL problem. An investigation of the educational and intelligence levels, however, did reveal findings of far-reaching consequence. For example, the study brought to light the following facts:

That 53 per cent of the airmen involved in AWOL had eighth grade education or less:

That 91 per cent had less than a high school education;

35/ Management Analysis Service, Study: Special Analysis of AWOL Statistics, dtd 5 Jan 53. On file Hq TAFB, Ga.

36/ Management Analysis Service, Study: TAFB Educational Analysis, dtd 8 Jan 53. On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.

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That 62 per cent of the repeaters (there were 16 who caused 38 AWOL cases) had an eighth grade education or less, and none had over a tenth grade education. In fact, 26 of the 38 "repeater" AWOLs were caused by airmen with an eighth grade education or less.

With respect to intelligence level, 70 per cent of the airmen involved in AWOLs fell in the IV-10 to IV-30 AFQT (Air Force Qualifying Test) bracket. Eighty-one per cent of the "repeaters" were in this area, which is considered below average by the Air Force. As a matter of fact, the study discovered that Turner Air Force Base had the greatest number of inferior airmen of any base in the Strategic Air Command. A further breakdown of AFQT scores revealed that 16 AWOLs had AFQT scores of IV-10, the lowest possible score for entry into the Air Force; that 11 other airmen fell in the IV-11 to IV-15 bracket, and that 56 per cent of the repeaters were in the very low (IV-11 to IV-15) class.

In general, then, the analysis revealed that the large majority of the AWOL cases studied were caused by airmen of inferior mental and educational background. Although Turner had the largest number of inferior airmen in the Command, the AWOL rate was on a level with SAC installations. This, in itself, indicated that the problem was being controlled as well as possible under the existing circumstances. However, the study pointed out that in order to further lower the rate, not only at Turner, but throughout the Command, there were two possible

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solutions. First, the AFQT test levels should be raised to prevent the enlistment of lower caliber airmen, or, failing this, such airmen, if admitted, should be educated to a higher intelligence level after their entry into the service.

It was with the latter solution in mind that the Management Analysis Service undertook the study of the educational program at Turner. 37/ The study incorporated investigations of the three available educational services at Turner: Operation Bootstrap, 38/ United States Armed Forces Institute (USAFI), and the Turner Elementary School. It took into account the facts that the efficiency of the Air Force was being lowered by accepting and not training lower caliber airmen, and that low educational level had a direct bearing on the higher AWOL rate.

With respect to Operation Bootstrap, the study showed that 62 students enrolled in the four courses (English, Mathematics, Psychology, and Economics) for the first semester of the 1952-53 academic year. The Florida State University courses were accepted by some institutions of higher learning, but not all. Operation Bootstrap courses were held in existing facilities, at Turner, which were found to be generally adequate, although study facilities, other than on regular class nights, were found to be very poor. The estimated cost to the Air Force for the first semester was $2,025.00

37/ Management Analysis Service, Study: TAFB Educational Analysis,(On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)

38/ Operation Bootstrap refers to the Florida State University Extension School courses currently operating in TAFB.

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The USAFI program, on the other hand, offered 196 correspondence and self-teaching courses at the elementary, high school, technical or vocational, and college levels. It is cooperated in by 53 colleges and universities. As of 31 December 1952, there were 329 Turner students enrolled in the Institute, and although the USAFI does not grant credits or diplomas for successful completion of course, the students may apply for credit at the institution (elementary, high school, or college) of their choice. The cost to the Air Force and to the student was negligible, it was found.

Thus, the advantages accruing to the USAFI program were considerable. A greater number of courses were offered at all levels, accrediting was more readily acknowledged, and the cost was low. In addition, the student could complete courses in a minimum of time and continue studies regardless of transfer.

The Turner Elementary School had educated 53 per cent of its 68 students to a level which qualified them for formal Air Force technical training. In other words, the Airman Qualifying Examination (AQE) of the students trained revealed that a significant percentage of them had been educated to a "5" level or better in order to qualify them for school. (The AQE scores must reflect a score of "5" or better to qualify an airmen for formal training. Six fields, however, have a minimum score of "4".) The elementary school, then, had proven its worth in raising the general intellectual level of a few inferior airmen. It had, however, one distinct disadvantage: the school, although it was not mandatory, was

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operated during duty hours, and generally, was found to be uneconomical to operate. In addition, operating solely on a voluntary basis, it was not able to educate all the lower caliber airmen.

On the basis of these findings, the study made certain recommendations. First, the Air Force should revamp its present educational program by eliminating Operation Bootstrap, and utilizing the funds now expended thereon to establish central and mandatory educational facilities. 39/ Secondly, the advantages of the USAFI program over those of Operation Bootstrap were felt to be overwhelming. Thirdly, the Air Force should concentrate more effort on educating lower caliber airmen in order to qualify them for formal technical training. Finally, those airmen who showed no marked improvement while attending the central educational course should be eliminated from the service. 40/

The Management Analysis Office also completed another study which further brought to light the seriousness of the educational problem on the station. This was a special survey of the reenlistment situation at Turner. 41/ Initiated upon the concern of the Base Commander at the pronounced decrease during 1952 in the SAC and Second Air Force reenlistment rates, the study probed the possibility of initiating action to increase the current rate. With respect to education, the study found that:

39/ Proposed Air Force Educational System. (See Exhibit No. 22)

40/ Ibid.

41/ Management Analysis Service, Study: Special Analysis of Reenlistment Data, dtd 18 Nov 53. On file, TAFB, Ga.

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Education had some effect on an airman's desire to reenlist;

Those airmen who could barely qualify for technical training, but were of low educational level, tend toward reenlistment;

Airmen who did not qualify for technical training do not desire to reenlist; and

Well-qualified airmen were not inclined to reenlist.

In breaking these conclusions down further, the study revealed that the majority (52%) of the airmen who wanted to reenlist had less than a high school education. Likewise, within the lower three grades, 70% of the airmen without a high school education, did not want to reenlist. The majority of the master sergeants and technical sergeants without a high school education desire to reenlist.

Several other problem areas were encountered in the study. Regarding the overall working conditions at Turner, the study revealed that some airmen, desiring to reenlist, felt that the Air Force was not a satisfactory place to work, and 35% of the airmen not reenlisting were of the same opinion. About 33% of the airmen felt that promotions were awarded to airmen when deserving, but over one-third of the master and technical sergeants felt that promotions were not awarded when deserved. Further, more non-reenlistees than reenlistees felt that airmen were not promoted when they were deserving. More important, a large number of master and technical sergeants were of the opinion that their supervisors were not helping them get ahead in the Air Force,

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and fewer non-reenlistees than reenlistees thought that their supervisors were helping them get ahead in an Air Force career.

In view of the educational problem as it effected the low reenlistment rate at Turner, the study discovered findings similar to those made in the educational and AWOL analyses. That is to say, it found that the present method of grade school and high school education in the service was not adequate in brining up the educational level of low caliber airmen to a point that they could be efficiently utilized by the Air Force. In a word, the study was of the opinion that the current educational system directed its benefits toward a group of airmen who were already qualified. It recommended that training up to the high school level be made mandatory for those who needed such training, and that the "Operation Bootstrap" program be discontinued.

With respect to promotions, the study felt that the promotion policy be stabilized and that information be accurately disseminated on the policy to all personnel concerned. In the all-important problem of supervision, which the study showed to be inadequate, the study recommended that all supervisory personnel be indoctrinated as to their responsibilities. 42/

42/ Management Analysis Service, Outline in Briefing, Officers on Responsibilities to Airmen. (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.) (A further analysis of the TAFB reenlis'ment problem is currently being made, and further recommendations will be made with a view to finding a colution to the problem.)

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VI - SPECIAL PROJECTS

Turner lent generous support to the 1953 March of Dimes campaign for the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis. A total of $1,543.35 was raised during the campaign, and the Base received a "well done" from the representatives of the office of Community Services, Headquarters USAF. The Base staged a number of social and athletic activities to raise money for the drive, including two benefit basketball games, an elimination boxing match, and several dances on the base as well as in downtown Albany in cooperation with Albany State College and the local USO. In addition, "iron lung" boxes and voluntary contributions helped swell the total.

The Turner Airmen's Living Improvement Fund advisory committee made several new recommendations regarding the expenditure of the money raised during the Sowega National Sports Car Races held here October 26, 1952.43/ In its first meeting, 9 December 1952, the committee recommended that the sum of $20,000 be used to remodel a building on the base as a suitable Airmen's Club. Under existing SAC policies, the money cannot be used for the construction of an open mess or Service Club, so the committee recommended that the $10,000 originally suggested for the construction of a nine-hole golf club be raised to $20,000. It further recommended that $10,000 be spent in the construction of a pavilion on the Turner picnic grounds.

43/ Committee Minutes, 29 Jan 53. (See Exhibit No. 23)

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As of 1 January 1953

Headquarters 40th Air Division

Colonel Thayer S. Olds	Division Commander
Colonel Joe R. Williams	Director of Personnel (Prim dy) Executive Officer (Add dy)
Colonel Robert P. Montgomery	Director of Operations
Major Harry P. Wagner	Operations Staff Officer

811th Air Base Group

Colonel John J. Easton	Commanding Officer
Lt. Col. John L. Wright	Deputy Commanding Officer
Major Edmond L. Fortin	Base Adjutant
Lt. Col. Chester M. Campbell	Base Materiel Officer
Lt. Col. Chester M. Conrad	Base Operations and Training Officer
Major William H. Milnor	Base Personnel Officer
Major Henry C. Kelley	Base Comptroller
Lt. Col. Fred L. Houck	Base Manpower Management Officer
Major John S. Dennis	Staff Judge Advocate
Major Luther W. McArthur	Base Chaplain
Captain Lawrence O. Savage	Base Information Services Officer

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Roster of Key Personnel - 811th Air Base Group (Cont'd)

Lt. Col. Chester M. Conrad	CO, 811th Operations Squadron
Major Johnnie P. Harlow	CO, 811th Air Police Squadron and Air Provost Marshal
Major Melford Loeffler	CO, 811th Supply Squadron
Major George Noga	Base Accountable Officer
Captain William V. Favor	CO, 811th Motor Vehicle Squadron
Captain Frank D. Furlow	CO, 811th Installations Squadron
Captain Charles W. McRae	CO, 811th Food Service Squadron
Captain Joseph G. Guggino	CO, Headquarters Squadron Section, 811th Air Base Group

As of 31 January 1953

Headquarters 40th Air Division

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Lt. Colonel Lawrence J. Pickett	Operations Staff Officer
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Lt. Colonel George K. Sykes	Executive Officer

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Roster of Key Personnel, as of 31 Jan 53, 811th Air Base Gp (Cont'd)

Major Edmond L. Fortin	Base Adjutant
Lt. Colonel Chester M. Campbell	Base Materiel
Lt. Colonel Chester M. Conrad	Base Operations and Training Officer
Major William M. Milnor	Base Personnel Officer
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811th Operations Squadron
811th Food Service Squadron
811th Installations Squadron
811th Supply Squadron
811th Motor Vehicle Squadron

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APPENDIX

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GENERAL ORDERS)
NUMBER 2)

HEADQUARTERS STRATEGIC AIR COMMAND
Offutt Air Force Base, Omaha, Nebraska
15 January 1953

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SECTION II

ACTIVATION OF THE 100TH AIR REFUELING SQUADRON, MEDIUM.--1. This confirms message, this headquarters, DPLMP 48764, 10 January 1953.

2. The unit listed below, having been constituted and assigned to the Strategic Air Command is further assigned to the 40th Air Division, and activated at Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia, effective 20 January 1953, as indicated.

Unit	T/O	Auth Strength OFF	AMN
100th Air Refueling Squadron, Medium	1-1174P, 1 Jan 52 1 x Part II	90	209

3. Personnel will be furnished from sources under the control of the Commanding General, Second Air Force.

4. Equipment is authorized by Department of the Air Force message, AFOMO-A 56050, 8 January 1953, as confirmed by 322 series letter, which will be furnished the unit concerned.

5. Precedence category IV-183 is assigned.

6. Authority: Message, Department of the Air Force, AFOMO-A 56050, 8 January 1953.

SECTION III

REORGANIZATION OF UNITS.--1. This confirms messages, this headquarters, DPLMP 48764, 10 January 1953, and DPLMP 48765, 10 January 1953.

EXHIBIT NO. 1

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2. Announcement is made of the reorganization of the following units, effective 20 January 1953:

Unit	T/O	Auth OFF	Strength AMN
Periodic Maint Sq	1-7171P, 1 May 52 1 x Part II	5 (each)	182

3. Equipment is authorized by Department of the Air Force message AFOMO-A 56050, 8 January 1953, as confirmed by 322 series letter which will be furnished the units concerned.

4. Authority: Message, Department of the Air Force, AFOMO-A 56050, 8 January 1953.

BY COMMAND OF GENERAL LeMAY:

OFFICIAL:

OFFICIAL STAMP

R. M. MONTGOMERY
Brigadier General, USAF
Chief of Staff

GLENN P. NELL
Colonel, USAF
Adjutant General

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GENERAL ORDERS)
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HEADQUARTERS STRATEGIC AIR COMMAND
Offutt Air Force Base, Omaha, Nebraska
23 December 1952

EXTRACT

Redesignation of Fighter-Escort Wings.--1. Announcement is made of the redesignation of the following units, effective 20 January 1953, as indicated:

Present Designation	New Designation
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Hq, 31st Fighter-Escort Wg	Hq, 31st Strategic Fighter Wg
307th Fighter-Escort Sq	307th Strategic-Fighter Sq
308th Fighter-Escort Sq	308th Strategic-Fighter Sq
309th Fighter-Escort Sq	309th Strategic-Fighter Sq
Hq, 508th Fighter-Escort Wg	Hq, 508th Strategic-Fighter Wg
466th Fighter-Escort Sq	466th Strategic-Fighter Sq
467th Fighter-Escort Sq	467th Strategic-Fighter Sq
468th Fighter-Escort Sq	468th Strategic-Fighter Sq

2. Appropriate remark will be entered in Organizational Status Table of Morning Report on effective date of Status Change in accordance with Chapter 2, SAC Manual 171-1.

3. Authority: Letter, Department of the Air Force, 322 (AFOMO 232h), subject: "(Unclassified) Redesignation of the Headquarters, 12th Fighter-Escort Wing and Certain Other USAF Units," 5 December 1952, as amended.

BY COMMAND OF GENERAL LeMAY:

R. M. MONTGOMERY
Brigadier General, USAF
Chief of Staff

OFFICIAL:

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GLENN P. NELL
Colonel, USAF
Adjutant General

A CERTIFIED TRUE EXTRACT COPY:

JOSEPH E. GURO
1st Lt., USAF

EXHIBIT NO. 2

HEADQUARTERS 40TH AIR DIVISION
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

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29 December 1952

SUBJECT: Administrative Standardization Board

TO: Director of Personnel, 40th Air Division

1. Effective 1 January 1953, a 40th Air Division Administrative Standardization Board will be established for a test period of ninety (90) days. At the end of the test period the Board will be established by a 40th Air Division Regulation, incorporating procedures and refinements gained from the test.

2. Initially the Board will be comprised of the following personnel:

Director of Personnel, 40th Air Division, (President)
Personnel Officer, 31st Fighter-Escort Wing,
Personnel Officer, 508th Fighter-Escort Wing,
Personnel Officer, 811th Air Base Group.

After thirty (30) days the Board will have the following personnel added:

Adjutant, 31st Fighter Escort Wing,
Adjutant, 508th Fighter-Escort Wing,
Adjutant, 811th Air Base Group (Recorder).

3. The mission of the 40th Air Division Administrative Standardization Board is to advise the Commanding Officer, 40th Air Division, on improvements and standardization of all administrative procedures within this command. While the Board will be concerned primarily with the functions of the Director of Personnel and the Adjutant, it will not be restricted to these two sections. All administrative procedures is emphasized.

4. The Board will meet a minimum of twice each month, and a copy of the minutes of the meetings will be forwarded to this office.

A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

JOSEPH E. ZURO
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/t/ THAYER S. OLDS
Colonel, USAF
Commanding

EXHIBIT NO. 3

OFF-DUTY ACTIVITIES REGISTER

NAME_____ RANK_____ ORGANIZATION_____

RECREATIONAL INTERESTS: (SPORTS, ENTERTAINMENT, MUSIC, ARTS, & CRAFTS, ETC.

SPORTS: FOOTBALL, TOUCHBALL _____ BASEBALL_____ SOFTBALL_____ BASKETBALL_____ TRACK_____
BOXING_____ WRESTLING_____ HANDBALL_____ VOLLEYBALL_____ TENNIS_____
BADMINTON_____ GOLF_____ SWIMING_____ HORSEBACKRIDING_____ ARCHERY_____
HORSESHOES_____ OTHERS_____

ENTERTAINMENT: ACTING_____ PROPERTIES_____ MAKE-UP_____ DIRECTING OR M.C._____

PERFORMING SPECIALTY_____

MUSIC: INSTRUMENTAL (WHAT INSTRUMENT?)_____ VOCAL_____ POPULAR_____
CLASSICAL_____

ARTS & CRAFTS: WOODWORKING _____ LEATHER_____ CERAMICS_____ PAINTING_____ MODEL PLANES_____
_____ AND/OR CARS_____ PHOTOGRAPHY_____ AUTOMOTIVE_____ PAINTING_____
OTHERS (LIST):_____

OUTINGS: FISHING_____ HUNTING_____ CAMPING_____ HIKING_____

EXHIBIT NO. 4

GROUND SAFETY OFFICE
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

15 January 1953

Report for 1952

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COMMENT

The Table of Contents listed above represent many days of record keeping and analysis. These records have been carefully checked, rechecked, and cross checked. Yet very probably there are some errors in the various charts.

Three records are outstanding in the 1952 operation of the Ground Safety Program:

1. There were no fatalities due to Ground Accidents.
2. The cost per capita, per man per year, civilian and military, was $17.79. Military cost per man was $16.08. These are very much lower than this base has ever reported in any preceding year. It is believed to be the lowest in SAC for 1952.
3. The base received the Strategic Air Command "Operation Safe Wheels" Achievement Award for achieving the outstanding record in motor vehicle safety for the month of July, 1952.

Government motor vehicle accidents declined materially. This was due almost entirely to better driving and fewer accidents by Motor Pool drivers. The record of other drivers, over all, was about the same as for 1951. This 1951 record was in itself, a good one, but was surpased in 1952. VAR, 1951, 1.00; VAR, 1952, 0.77.

On the debit side of the ledger are the military accident rate which rose to an all time high of 8.41 per 100,000 man days worked, and the civilian accident rate which was 3.52 against 0.00 in 1951. The civilian

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accident rate reflected two reportable accidents. It was not out of line as to number, being well under the average, but one of these was a very costly accident. This raised the civilian yearly cost per man to $38.53, a very high figure.

It is the military accident rate that deserves most of our attention. Why did it go from 4.18 in 1951 to 8.41 in 1952? Here are the best answers this section can give.

(1) A greatly expanded sports, sports participation, and conditioning program. Sports accidents rose from 10 in 1951 to 25 in 1952 with a lower average base strength. This was due to the initiation of a physical training program without enough attention being paid to prior physical conditioning. Accidents of this type have been under control since May, and is no longer a considerable item of injury. Injuries of this nature averaged only six days lost time. Most of them were only of three or four days duration. They greatly increased our accident rate without causing much loss in man days or cost.

(2) A great increase in "on the Job" accidents. These increased from 8 in 1951 to 17 in 1952. They represent in every case a definite failure in supervision. See chart 15 for the distribution of these accidents by Squadron. In each case the particular supervision needed was discussed at the time with the Squadron Commander concerned. Job accidents were fairly evenly spread throughout the year. They involved in at least one instance an accident prone individual. It is hoped that this type accident is under control. Only time will tell.

(3) A numerical increase in private motor vehicle reportable injuries in spite of a decrease in base personnel. The causes of this, in order, are as follows.

a. Increase in traffic in this general area.
b. Increase in number of private cars per capita on this base.
c. Increase in driving while drinking, both on the part of TAFB personnel and of the civilian population.
d. Lack of driving knowledge and skill by both TAFB personnel and civilians in this area.

Traffic in this area has almost doubled due to construction at the Marine Depot, the opening of new industries, the return of the 31st Fighter Escort Wing to Turner, and activation of the 508th Fighter Escort Wing. The new bridge is under construction, but US Hy #82 becomes more crowded daily. Most of our local accidents occur on this highway. No relief is in sight for at least twelve months.

The number of private cars on the base has increased from 40 vehicles per 100 persons in 1951 to almost 50 vehicles per 100 persons in 1952. The practice of renting or lending cars by one airmen to another is widespread. This tends to reduce the sense of responsibility. It complicates an already difficult situation.

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Drinking driving figures from July 1952 to date show a sharp increase in October and another, not so sharp, in December. Of the seven injuries in June, five had an element of drinking in them, either by airmen or the civilians that hit the airmen. Over 50% of the vehicle injuries for 1952 had drinking as one of the circumstances by one of the parties to the accident. In an effort to discourage this on the part of Turner AF Base personnel, a letter from the 40th Air Division, dated 10 Dec 1952, subject, "Increase in Arrests for Drinking Driving" was issued. It is hoped that this letter will become of value in controlling this important phase of dangerous driving.

Lack of skill, evidenced by front to rear accidents, loss of control and too much speed, are not any greater, probably, than in previous years. The increase in traffic in this area puts a premium on skillful defensive driving. This is being continually inculcated by films, talks, and demonstrations. It seemed to be effective during "Operation Safe Wheels". Since then, its effectiveness has declined.

Slight increases have occured in other types of accidents than those noted above, but they are of not too much importance in the overall picture.

One peculiarity of the Military Accident Rate in 1952 is that "on duty" accidents, with a rate of 9.13 per 100,000 man days worked, exceed that of "off duty" accidents. The off duty rate was 8.05. The main reasons are noted above--namely, an increase in accidents due to intramural scheduled sports activities, and to job accidents.

The "preventable" - "non-preventable" ratio shows no change from previous years. Accidents were more numerous from February thru June in 1952, varying by two months from 1951, when the heaviest load occured from November thru April.

The time of day changed somewhat, the average peak hour being between 1700 and 1800 instead of later in the evening. More accidents occured from the 20th to the end of the month, before pay day, than from 1st to 10th of the month, after pay day. The average age, grade, and education was about the same as for 1951.

Private vehicle accidents of military personnel in Albany and Dougherty County totaled 67. In 32 cases an officer or airman was ruled at fault; in 35 cases a civilian not connected with the base was judged at fault; the military personnel involved not being at fault. Thus 48% of the accidents were the fault of military personnel; in 52% of the cases they were not to blame. The number of accidents per capita was 6% under that of the surrounding civilian population. The number of injuries from these accidents totaled 11 disabling and 6 non-disabling; or 17; the rate was 2% under the local rate. Where locally there were 9 fatalities in the City and County, rate 21 per 100,000 population, Turner AF Base had none, rate 0. From the above it is concluded that airmen at Turner drive somewhat better than the drivers in this vicinity. This in spite of the fact that the age grouping of Turner drivers show over 50% of them to be in the so-called "hazardous" classification.

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Squadron Military Frequency Rates reflect with few exceptions the ground safety effort put forth by each Squadron. The standings are worthy of note. Four Squadrons of the 508th Fighter Escort Wing, namely, 466th and 467th Fighter Escort Squadrons, the 508th Field Maintenance Squadron and the 508th Periodic Maintenance Squadron, had no reportable injuries. The 308th Fighter Escort Squadron, of the 31st Fighter Escort Wing, tied with these for top honors. The sad distinction of last place, with a military rate of 25.53, goes to the 31st Periodic Maintenance Squadron.

Costs are also revealing. The 508th Periodic Maintenance Squadron had no cost charged for injuries. Last place goes to the 811th Motor Vehicle Squadron with a unit cost per man per month of $3.52, due principally to one disastrous private motor vehicle accident. Next to last place goes the 811th Installations Squadron.

SUMMARY

This has been a better than average year for Ground Safety. Better reporting, as well as the items already mentioned, brought the military accident rate up. Care on the part of all concerned, together with a little luck, kept the cost very low. Lack of fatalities is outstanding. Luck may play a part here, but lower average driving speed is the controlling factor. Civilian reportable injuries were up, but not unduly so. Government vehicle accidents were at their lowest. Property damage was less than for 1951. Damage to planes was lower than the year before, and in general confined to tip-tanks. The Ground Safety section desires to thank all personnel for their efforts in 1952. In 1953, let our motto be "Avoid Accidents--And Time Off the Job".

Yours for Safety
The Ground Safety Officer

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CHART 1

MILITARY ACCIDENT RATES

	N/D Injuries On	Off	TOT	Disabling Injuries On	Off	TOT	Civ N/D	Mil Acci Rate	Mil Acci On Dy Rte	Mil Acci Off Dy Rte	Standing
Hq 31st FEW	3	2	5	0	1	1	0	2.34	0.00	3.48	3
307th FESq	6	4	10	2	4	6	0	19.15	19.15	19.15	18
308th FESq	6	1	7	0	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	1
309th FESq	5	0	5	2	1	3	0	9.11	18.24	4.55	11
31st FM Sq	13	6	19	0	5	5	7	9.33	0.00	13.98	12
31st PM Sq	8	2	10	4	4	8	0	25.53	38.39	14.36	19
31st A&E Sq	13	7	20	2	4	6	0	7.11	7.11	7.11	7
31st Med Gp	0	2	2	1	0	1	0	2.08	6.24	0.00	2
Hq 508th FEW	3	3	6	1	1	2	0	8.52	12.77	6.40	10
466th FESq	1	2	3	0	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	1
467th FESq	2	1	3	0	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	1
468th FESq	1	0	1	0	2	2	0	18.83	0.00	28.25	17
508th FM Sq	6	2	8	0	0	0	2	0.00	0.00	0.00	1
508th PM Sq	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	1
508th A&E Sq	2	3	5	0	2	2	0	10.03	0.00	15.04	14
508th Med Gp	2	1	3	0	1	1	0	3.67	0.00	5.71	5
Hq 811th ABG	13	15	28	4	1	5	0	3.61	8.68	1.08	4
811th AP Sq	8	13	21	2	5	7	0	6.62	5.68	7.09	6
811th In Sq	44	18	62	6	11	17	12	16.11	17.06	15.64	16
811th FS Sq	22	21	43	4	7	11	0	10.63	11.60	10.15	15
811th Ops Sq	17	12	29	0	9	9	0	7.39	0.00	11.09	8
811th Sup Sq	14	8	22	4	3	7	2	8.30	14.22	5.34	9
811th MV Sq	23	15	38	4	8	12	0	9.95	9.95	9.95	13
TOTALS	212	138	350	37	68	105	23	8.41	9.13	8.05	

CHART 2

COST RECORD
Jan Thru Dec 1952

UNIT	Cost of Mil Acci	Cost of Civ Acci	Vehicle Damage	Property Damage	A/C Damage	Total Cost	Cost Indx/Mo	Standing
Hq 31st FEW	$246.	0	0	0	0	$246.	.17	5
307th FESq	$1199.	0	0	0	$528.	$1727.	1.66	15
308th FESq	$35.	0	0	0	0	35.	.04	2
309th FESq	$2142.	0	0	0	0	$2142.	1.96	18
31st FM Sq	$1397.	49.	0	0	0	$1446.	.74	10
31st FM Sq	$3287.	0	0	0	0	$3287.	3.16	20
31st A&E Sq	$4460.	0	0	0	0	$4460.	1.55	15
31st Med Gp	255.	0	0	0	0	$255.	.17	5
Hq 508th FM	$492.	0	0	0	0	$492.	.63	9
466th FESq	$21.	0	0	0	$100.	$121.	.46	8
467th FESq	$21.	0	0	0	0	$21.	.06	3
468th FESq	$824.	0	0	0	0	$824.	2.35	19
508th FM Sq	$56.	14.	0	0	0	70.	.10	4
508th PM Sq	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
508th A&E Sq	$775.	0	0	0	0	$775.	1.17	13
508th Med Gp	$231.	0	0	0	0	$231.	.24	7
Hq 811th ABG	$904.	168.	0	200.	35.	$1139.	.22	6
811th AP Sq	$2914.	0	425.	316.	679.	$4334.	1.23	14
811th Ins Sq	$5542.	10,584	111.	0	0	$16,237	3.32	20
811th FS Sq	$2687.	0	0	0	0	$2687.	.78	11
811th Ops Sq	$6533.	0	338.	0	0	$6871	1.91	17
811th Sup Sq	$3009.	14.	25.	0	45.	$3079.	.92	13
811th MV Sq	$13,906	0	216.	0	0	$14,122	3.52	21
NEC	0	0	0	125.	1200.	$1325.	--	--
TOTAL	$50,540	$10,829	$1,115.	$641.	$2,587	$65,712	1.48	

CHART 3

Accident Costs for 1952

Computed by number, Days lost, and Class of accident. See AFL 32-40, dated 2 Jan 1952.

105 Military Lost Time Injuries		
1,603 days lost at $30 per day.		$48,090
350 military Non Disabling Injuries at $7. each.		$2,450
2 Civilian Lost Time Injuries		
1 Permanent Partial	$10,500	
1 12 days lost at $14 per day	168	$10,668
23 Civilian Non Disabling Injuries at $7 each		161
11 Motor Vehicle Accidents		
9 Damaged Motor Vehicles	$1,115	
3 damaged aircraft	724	
2 items of Property Damage	316	
		$2,155
7 Cases of Property Damage		
5 Aircraft	$1,863	
1 Equipment	200	
1 Structural	125.	
		$2,188
	TOTAL	$65,712

CHART 4

GROUND SAFETY COSTS BY TYPE OF INJURY
COMPARISON 1948 - 1953

TYPE OF INJURY	Cost to date	Cost 1951	Cost 1950 to 1948
Non-Disabling	$7.00	$6.00	$4.25
Temporary Total			
Officer	$30. per day	$32. per day	$441. Unit Cost
Airman	$30. per day	$23. per day	$441. Unit Cost
Civilian	$14. per day	$17. per day	$119. Unit Cost
Permanent Partial (will return to duty)			
Military	Same as T.T.	Same as T. T.	$441. Unit Cost
Civilian	$10,500	$8,500	$119. Unit Cost
Permanent Partial (will not return to duty)			
Military	$43,000	$37,000	$441. Unit Cost
Civilian	$10,500	$ 8,500	$119. Unit Cost
Permanent Total			
Military	$63,500	$57,000	$441. Unit Cost
Civilian	$70,000	$70,000	$441. Unit Cost
Fatalities			
Military	$31,500	$26,500	$19,565
Civilian	$25,000	$20,000	$10,000 (approx)

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CHART 5

TURNER AIR FORCE BASE
ACCIDENT RECORDS
COMPARISON 1948 through 1952

	1952	1951	1950	1949	1948
Military Accident Rate	8.41	4.18	6.24	4.96	7.60
Fatalities	0	5	2	3	3
Number of disabling Injuries	105	59	49	32	66
MAR On Duty	9.13	3.83	4.19	3.26	10.36
MAR Off Duty	8.05	4.36	7.24	5.82	6.39
Number Disabling Injuries					
On Duty	38	18	11	7	29
Off Duty	67	41	38	25	37
Civilian Accident Rate	3.52	0.00	2.13	4.15	6.28
Number of Civ. Injuries	2	0	1	2	3
Vehicle Accident Rate	0.77	1.00	2.01	1.83	2.25
Number Vehicle Accidents	11	14	20	15	17
Reportable Mileage	1,434,749	1,403,429	995,968	820,460	755,717
Cost Index per Annum	$17.79	$41.53	$26.65	$38.68	$34.08
Cost Index Per Month	$ 1.48	$3.46	$2.22	$3.22	$2.84
% Combat Readiness SAC	50%	40%	40%	40%	40%
Total Cost of Accidents	$65,712	$170,335	$63,016	$77,175	$89,741

CHART 6

INJURIES DUE TO MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENTS
USAF PERSONNEL
January through December 1952

	Duty Status by Person Reported Upon	Collision Vehicle	Cut in too Short	Lost Control Overturned	Lost Control Ran off road	Parking, struck by vehicle	Lost control collided	Sideswiped by other vehicle	Struck USAF Ped.	Thrown from Car	TOTALS
On Duty On Base	Driver	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1[x]	1
	Passenger	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Total	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
On Duty Off Base	Driver	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Passenger	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Total	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Off Duty On Base	Driver	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Passenger	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Total	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Off Duty Off Base	Driver	8	0	2	5	1	0	0	0	0	16
	Passenger	6	0	2	3	0	0	0	0	0	11
	Other	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
	Total	15	0	4	8	1	0	0	0	0	28
	TOTALS	15	0	4	8	1	0	0	0	1	29

x Government Motor Vehicle Injury

CHART 7

PERCENTAGE OF ACCIDENTS DUE TO EACH TYPE OF ACCIDENT, 1952

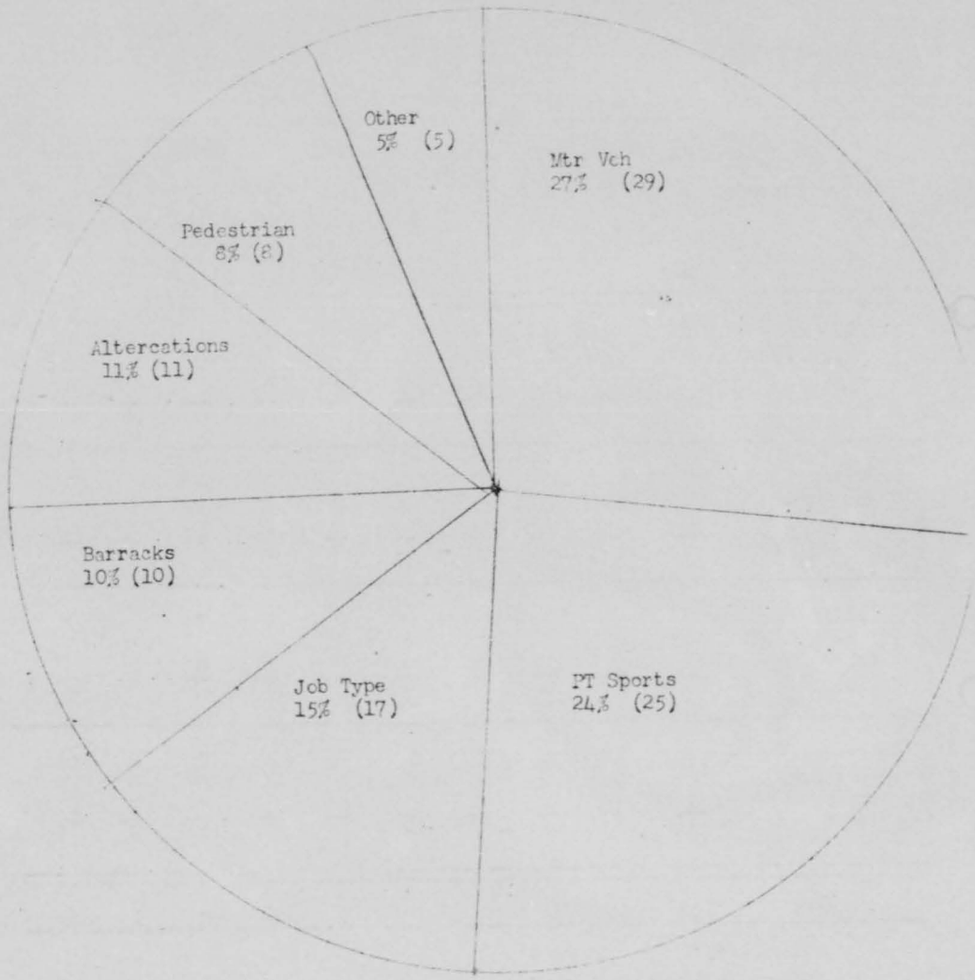

CHART 8

PERCENTAGE OF DAYS LOST DUE TO
EACH TYPE OF ACCIDENT

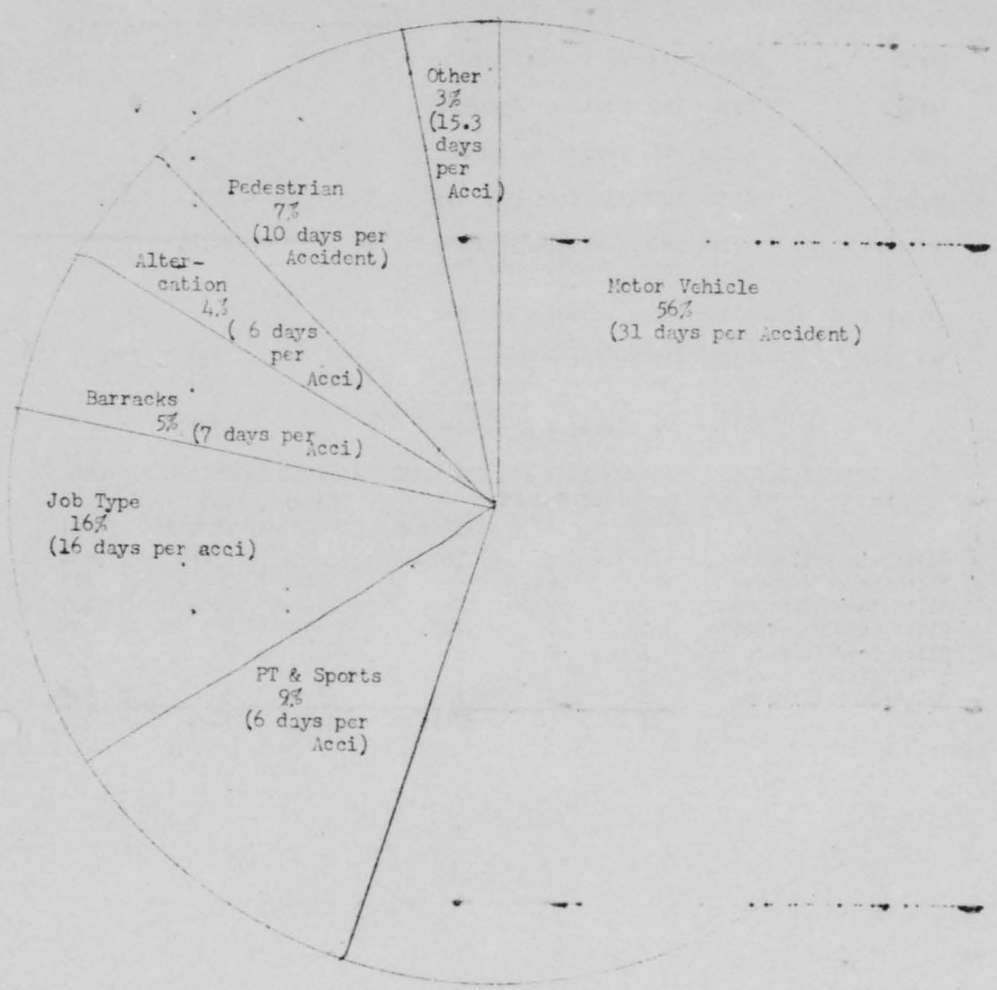

CHART 9

REPORT OF USAF MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENTS, 1952

MONTH	UNIT	Damage		
		Planes	Vehicles	Property
March	309th Fighter Escort Squadron	0	0	0
April	811th Installations Squadron	0	$41.	0
June	811th Air Police Squadron	$579.	$34.	0
August	811th Installations Squadron	0	$70.	$16.
October	811th Motor Vehicle Squadron	0	$216.	0
	811th Motor Vehicle Squadron			
November	811th Motor Vehicle Squadron	0	0	0
December	811th Air Police Squadron	$100.	$391.	$300
	811th Air Police Squadron	$45.	$25.	0
	811th Supply Squadron (Refueling)	0	$338.	0
	811th Food Service Squadron			

RECAPILUTATION RESPONSIBILITY FOR GOVERNMENT VEHICLE ACCIDENTS AND COSTS

	Number of Injuries		Damage, 1952			
	1952	1951	Planes	Vehicles	Property	Total
811th Air Police Squadron	3	3	$679.	$425.	$300.	$1,404
811th Motor Vehicle Sq	3	6	0	$216.	0	$ 216
811th Installations Sq	2	3	0	$111.	$16.	$ 127
811th Supply Refueling	1	1	$45.	$25.	0	$ 70
811th Food Service Sq	1	0	0	0	0	0
309th Fighter Esc Sq	1	0	0	0	0	0
811th Operstions Sq	0	1	0	$338.	0	$ 338
	11	14	$724.	$1,115	$316.	$2,155

CHART 10

DATA ON ACCIDENT OCCURANCE, AGE OF INJURED, GRADE OF INJURED, HIGHEST SCHOOL GRADE COMPLETED, AND INJURY TYPES, 1952

Date of Accidents:	1st to the 10th of month	31
	11th to the 20th of month	31
	21st to the end of month	43
Time of Accidents:	0001 to 0600	14
	0601 to 1200	25
	1201 to 1800	38
	1801 to 2400	28
	(1200 to 2400)	66 out of 105
Age of Injured	17 to 20 years	27
	21 to 25 years	46
	25 to 35 years	29
	over 35 years	3
	(average age of injured)	24
Grade of Injured	A/B	9
	A/3C	34
	A/2C	16
	A/1C	23
	Staff Sergeant	13
	Tech Sergeant	1
	Master Sergeant	2
	2nd Lieutenant	2
	1st Lieutenant	3
	Captain	2
	Average grade	A/2C
Highest School Grade Completed	Under 8th grade	13
	8th grade	14
	9th to 11th grade	24
	12th grade	46
	over 12th grade	8
	Average grade completed	10
Type of Injury	Traffic	29
	Altercations	11
	Pedestrian	8
	Barracks and home	10
	Sports	25
	Job	17
	Other	5
	TOTAL	105

CHART 11

NON DISABLING ACCIDENTS, 1952

MONTH	Eye	Hand - Arm	Foot	Leg	Chest	Back Abdmn	Head	ON	OFF	TOTAL
January		1	1	1			4	1	6	7
February		16	5	2	1		8	16	16	32
March	4	16	2	6		1	4	23	11	33
April	7	15		8			4	20	14	34
May	2	17		7	5	2	4	27	10	37
June	2	13	7		1	2	10	20	15	35
July		9	6		1		4	13	7	20
August		12	10		3		4	16	13	29
September	3	10	5	1	1		1	12	9	21
October	1	19	2	4	2	2	6	24	12	36
November	1	22	7	2		1	9	21	21	42
December	2	17	2	2			1	16	8	24
TOTALS	22	167	47	33	14	8	59	208	142	350

CHART 12

DAYS LOST DUE TO DISABLING INJURIES
AND MAJOR ACCIDENT PRODUCING ACTIVITIES

1952 MONTH	Motor Vehicle	PT & Sports	Job Type	Barracks	Alter-cations	Pedes-trian	Other	Total	Cumula-tive
JANUARY		20				21		41	41
FEBRUARY		4	10	20	5	5		44	85
MARCH	82	11	31	14	6			144	229
APRIL	85	37	56		3	7	21	209	438
MAY	24	41	7	8	6	3		89	527
JUNE	481	20	5	18	18	7		549	1076
JULY			77			3	4	84	1160
AUGUST	20				10		10	40	1200
SEPTEMBER	40	3	5		5		18	71	1271
OCTOBER	33	5	60	7				105	1376
NOVEMBER	8	5		5	3	67		88	1464
DECEMBER	117		13		9			139	1603
TOTALS	890	146	264	72	65	113	53	1603	
% of total	56%	9%	16%	5%	4%	7%	3%		
Days Lost Per Acci	31	6	16	7	6	14	10		

CHART 13
DISABLING INJURIES CLASSIFIED AS TO
MAJOR ACCIDENT PRODUCING ACTIVITIES

MONTH 1952	Mtr Veh	PT & Sports	Job Type	Barracks	Altercations	Pedestrian	Other	Monthly Total	Acci Rate	ON	OFF	Cumulative TOTAL	Cumulative Rate
JANUARY		3				1		4	4.40	9.90	1.65	4	4.40
FEBRUARY		1	2	2	1	1		7	7.65	9.84	6.56	11	6.03
MARCH	6	5	5	3	1			20	16.66	17.61	16.17	28	10.53
APRIL	3	6	1		1	1	1	13	12.96	14.96	11.97	44	11.44
MAY	2	5	1	1	1	1		11	10.74	11.72	10.25	55	11.29
JUNE	7	2	1	2	2	1		15	15.55	9.33	18.66	70	11.99
JULY			3			1	1	5	5.11	12.27	1.53	75	11.01
AUGUST	1				1		1	3	2.92	2.92	2.92	78	9.95
SEPTEMBER	1	1	1		1		2	6	5.51	2.76	6.89	84	9.41
OCTOBER	3	1	1	1				6	5.32	5.32	5.32	90	8.95
NOVEMBER	2	1		1	1	2		7	6.15	5.27	6.59	97	8.67
DECEMBER	4		2		2			8	6.20	4.65	6.98	105	8.41
TOTALS	29	25	17	10	11	8	5	105	8.41	CUMULATIVE 9.13	8.05		
% of Total	27%	24%	15%	10%	11%	8%	5%						

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CHART 14

1952 Accident Occuurence
By Squadron and Type

UNIT	Mtr Veh	Sports	Job	Barracks & Home	Altercations	Pedestrian	Other	Total
Hq 31st FEW	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
307th FESq	2	3	0	0	1	0	0	6
308th FESq	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
309th FESq	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	3
31st FM Sq	1	0	0	2	0	1	1	5
31st PM Sq	2	2	2	1	0	1	0	8
31st A&E Sq	3	0	2	1	0	0	0	5
31st Med Gp	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
TOTAL 31 FEW	10	6	5	4	1	3	1	30
Hq 508th FEW	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	2
466th FESq	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
467th FESq	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
468th FESq	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	2
508th FM Sq	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
508th PM Sq	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
508th A&E Sq	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	2
508th Med Gp	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
TOTAL 508 FEW	2	2	0	2	0	1	0	7
Hq 811th ABG	1	2	2	0	0	0	0	5
811th AP Sq	2	4	0	0	1	0	0	7
811th Ins Sq	3	2	3	2	3	1	3	17
811th FS Sq	3	1	4	0	3	0	0	11
811th Ops Sq	2	1	1	2	2	0	1	9
811th MV Sq	4	4	1	0	1	2	0	12
811th Sup Sq	2	3	1	0	0	1	0	7
TOTAL 811 ABG	17	17	12	4	10	4	4	68
GRAND TOTAL	29	25	17	10	11	8	5	105

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HEADQUARTERS 811TH AIR BASE GROUP
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

BASE GS 729.3 12 February 1953

SUBJECT: Ground Accident Report for January 1953

TO: See Distribution

1. The number of reportable injuries to military personnel for January 1953 was five (5). This record is better than average. The injuries were distributed as follows:

31st Strategic Fighter Wing	0
508th Strategic Fighter Wing	2
811th Air Base Group	4

2. The percentage of injuries should be below the percentage of assigned strength. Comparisons follow.

% of Injuries	Unit	% of Assigned Strength
0	31st Strategic Fighter Wing	24%
33 1/3%	508th Strategic Fighter Wing	22%
66 2/3%	811th Air Base Group	54%

3. Types of injuries were as follows:

	Mtr Veh	Sports	Barracks	Alt	Total
31st Strategic Fighter Wing	0	0	0	0	0
508th Strategic Fighter Wing	1	1	0	0	2
811th Air Base Group	2	0	1	1	4
TOTALS	3	1	1	1	6

4. One civilian injury was reported. This occurred to a worker of Air Installations. The accident was preventable. Time lost amounted to twenty (20) days.

5. One government motor vehicle accident was reported. The 811th Operations Squadron, 811th Air Base Group, was charged with the accident. The vehicle was damaged beyond economical repair. The injury to the driver is included in the report of injuries. The accident was preventable.

6. Trends of accidents for January are the same as for 1952. They are:

Private Motor Vehicle
Sports
Altercations

EXHIBIT NO. 6

1405

Motor Vehicle Accidents are our greatest problem. A few airmen are not cooperating and need more indoctrination. Of course, government property damaged must be paid for by the individual at fault. It is suggested that personnel having motor vehicle accidents be interviewed to ascertain if they have attended a ground safety orientation in the past sixty days.

7. Costs and cost per capita (per man per month) based on assigned strength, civilian and military, are listed below.

	Cost of Accidents	Cost per capita/mo
31st Strategic Fighter Wing	$7.	$0.01
508th Strategic Fighter Wing	$785.	$0.88
811th Air Base Group	$2,458.	$1.01
Totals, Turner AF Base	$3,250.	$0.75

BY ORDER OF COLONEL EASTON:

JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF
Asst Adjutant

DISTRIBUTION:
CO, 31st Strat Ftr Wg
CO, 508th Strat Ftr Wg
CO, All Asgd & Atchd Units, 811th AB Gp, TAFB, Ga

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STATISTICS FROM THE BASE PERSONNEL CLASSIFICATION

SECTION - JANUARY 1953

The following number of personnel met the Classification Board during the month of February 1953:

Officers..... 15
Airmen (Basics & Retreads)..... 45
Airmen (other).....180

One hundred and fifty (150) airmen were administered the Airman Proficiency Test as follows:

Two (2) in the 25 career field

Forty-nine (49) in the 32 career field

Three (3) in the 36 career field

Seven (7) in the 42 career field

Eighteen (18) in the 53 career field

Sixteen (16) in the 55 career field

Thirteen (13) in the 56 career field

Three (3) in the 72 career field

Three (3) in the 75 career field

Thirteen (13) in the 77 career field

Three (3) in the 83 career field

One (1) in the 93 career field

Twenty (20) in the 95 career field

STATISTICS FROM THE BASE PROCESSING SECTION - JANUARY 1953

Incoming personnel:
Officers..... 24
Airmen (Basics & Retreads). 63
Airmen (Other)..... 96

Outgoing Personnel:
Officers..... 10
Airmen (TDY)..... 15
Airmen (PCS)..... 95
Airmen (Released)... 4

EXHIBIT NO. 7

TABLE OF SCHOOLS

Status of training with regard to schools for personnel during the month of January 1953 was as follows:

Airmen attending schools as of 1 January 1953..... 271

Airmen departed for schools in January 1953..... 29

Airmen returned from schools in January 1953..... 15

Airmen attending schools as of 31 January 1953..... 285

Officers attending schools as of 1 January 1953..... 9

Officers departed for schools in January 1953..... 2

Officers returned from schools in January..... 0

Officers attending schools as of 31 January 1953..... 11

Following list is a breakdown, by course, of the officers who departed for schools during the month of January 1953:

1 - Classification School, Scott AFB, Illinois

1 - Transportation School, Maxwell AFB, Alabama.

Following list is a breakdown, by course, of the airmen who departed for schools during the month of January 1953:

10 - Organizational Supply School, Francis E. Warren AFB, Wyoming.

2 - AN/ARC 27 Radio Equip Repair School at Scott AFB, Illinois.

1 --Basic Munitions School, Lowry AFB, Colorado

3 - Warehouse Specl (Basic), Francis E. Warren AFB, Wyoming.

12 - Security Training at Camp Carson, Colorado

1 - Stat Special Training at Lowry AFB, Wyoming.

EXHIBIT NO. 8

REENLISTMENTS ACCOMPLISHED BY BASE RECRUITING OFFICE

FEBRUARY 1953

Following is a breakdown of enlistments by squadrons:

Headquarters 811th Air Base Group	7
811th Supply Squadron	3
Det 20-3944th Radar Bomb Scoring Squadron	2
811th Installation Squadron	1
467th Strategic Fighter-Wing	1
Headquarters 31st Strategic-Fighter Wing	1

Five (5) reenlistments were off base within 30 days.

Two (2) reenlistments were from active reserve to regular AF.

Five (5) applications were processed for Aviation Cadet during the month of January.

Ten (10) applications were processed for Officer Candidate School during the month of January.

EXHIBIT NO. 9

HEADQUARTERS 40TH AIR DIVISION
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

SPECIAL ORDERS)
NUMBER 7)

9 Jan 53

E X T R A C T

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13. LT COL LAWRENCE J PICKETT 8190A (PAFSC 0066A)(W)(M)(RegAF) is reld fr asgmt and dy Hq 508th Ftr-Esc Wg (SAC)(2AF) Turner AFB Albany Ga and is asgd Hq 40th ADiv (SAC)(2AF) Turner AFB Albany Ga rept CG NLT 9 Jan 53 for dy. WP. PCA. EDCSA: 14 Jan 53. No tvl involved. Off is further atchd to Hq Sq Sec 811th AB Gp this sta for administrative and logistical spt. Off asgd dy as Oprs O (1411).

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BY ORDER OF COLONEL OLDS:

OFFICIAL:

EDMOND L FORTIN
Major, USAF
Adjutant General

/s/ Thomas M. MacGlothlin
/t/ THOMAS M. MACGLOTHLIN
2nd Lt., USAF
Asst Adj Gen

A CERTIFIED TRUE EXTRACT COPY:

JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

EXHIBIT NO. 10

HEADQUARTERS 811TH AIR BASE GROUP
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

GENERAL ORDERS)
NUMBER 3)

27 January 1953

1. Announcement is made of the appointment of LIEUTENANT COLONEL (2016) GEORGE K SYKES 9763A, Headquarters 811th Air Base Group, as Executive Officer (DAFSC 7011) effective 27 January 1953.

BY ORDER OF COLONEL EASTON:

EDMOND L. FORTIN
Major, USAF
Adjutant

OFFICIAL:

/s/ Joseph E. Zuro
/t/ JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF
Asst. Adjutant

A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

L. O. SAVAGE
Capt., USAF

EXHIBIT NO. 11

C O P Y

DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF STAFF
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
Washington, D.C.

15 December 1952

SUBJECT: Flight Safety Awards

TO: Commanding General
Strategic Air Command
Offutt Air Force Base
Nebraska

1. It is with great pleasure that I notify you that the following bases of your Command have established outstanding aircraft accident prevention records during the six-month period January to June, inclusive, 1952:

BERGSTROM AIR FORCE BASE
BARKSDALE AIR FORCE BASE
TURNER AIR FORCE BASE

It is worthy of note, that Bergstrom Air Force Base has won the Flight Safety Award for a second time. An outstanding safety record for a second six-month period is highly commendable.

2. In recognition of these outstanding records, Flight Safety Awards in the form of suitably engraved bronze and mahogany plaques are being forwarded to you for presentation to the commanders of the bases concerned. These plaques are awarded in accordance with AFR 62-9, dated 27 November 1950, and may be retained permanently. It is desired that the awards be presented in a suitable ceremony which will emphasize to personnel of these organizations that only through their combined efforts are such outstanding safety achievements possible.

3. Please convey to the commanders and personnel of these bases my personal congratulations in achieving this outstanding safety record. This performance is a direct contribution to the combat effectiveness of the Air Force and the nation. The results of this campaign are concrete and gratifying, particularly in the light of Air Force expansion and increased responsibilities in a period where personnel are returning to active duty, and where new personnel and new equipment have been integrated into a skilled fighting team. An outstanding flight safety record is a team accomplishment.

s/t/ HOYT S. VANDENBERG
Chief of Staff, United States Air Force

A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

EXHIBIT NO. 12

COPY

HEADQUARTERS
STRATEGIC AIR COMMAND
Offutt Air Force Base
Omaha, Nebraska

CG 200.6 20 January 1953

SUBJECT: Flight Safety Awards.

TO: Commanding General
Second Air Force
Barksdale Air Force Base
Louisiana

1. Enclosed are copies of General Vandenberg's letter notifying this command that Turner Air Force Base and Barksdale Air Force Base have won Flight Safety Awards for outstanding accident prevention records during the period January to June 1952, inclusive. This is a substantial contribution to the combat effectiveness of Strategic Air Command.

2. Such achievement is a team accomplishment and comes only from efficiency and hard work on the part of all concerned. I am deeply appreciative of the tireless efforts and close attention to duty of the many individuals who contributed to this fine record. Their determination has not only placed them among the top units of the Air Force but, of even more importance, has saved lives and expensive equipment so badly needed today.

3. The awards, when received, will be presented at suitable ceremonies. I desire that you express to the commanders and personnel of Turner and Barksdale Air Force Bases my personal appreciation for this achievement.

s/t/ Curtis E. LeMay
General, USAF
Commanding

Incl:
Cy ltr fr Gen. Vandenberg,
subj as above, 15 Dec 52

A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

Joseph E. Zuro
JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

EXHIBIT NO. 13

B/L fr Gen LeMay, SAC, File CG 200.6, Subj: Flight Safety Awards

2AFCG 200.6 (20 Jan 53) 1st Ind

HEADQUARTERS SECOND AIR FORCE, Barksdale Air Force Base, Louisiana
28 Jan 1953

TO: Commanding Officer, 40th Air Division, Turner Air Force Base, Georgia.

1. The copies of the attached letters from General Vandenberg and General LeMay are indicative of their attitude toward your Flying Safety achievements during the period January to June, 1952, which won for you the Flight Safety Award. I commend and congratulate you and the personnel of your command for providing the stimulus and follow-through necessary to be worthy of this award.

2. Let no individual be unaware of his contribution to a successful Flying Safety Program. Strategic Air Command Regulation 62-3 states: "The prevention of aircraft accidents is a continuous command function -- ", but this responsibility is also influenced by the performance of such diversified persons as the airmen who prepared the in-flight lunches, the Flight Surgeon who looks after the health of the crews, and a multitude of others. This is not an award for an individual, but rather for a well trained organization.

3. You will be notified when the award arrives at this headquarters and at that time arrangements will be made for a suitable ceremony at which I will be proud to make the presentation personally.

2 Incls.
1. Cy of ltr fr Gen Vandenberg
2. Cy of ltr fr Gen LeMay

s/t/ FRANK A. ARMSTRONG, Jr.
Major, USAF
Commanding

A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

EXHIBIT NO. 14

HEADQUARTERS 40TH AIR DIVISION
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

DOP 12 January 1953

SUBJECT: Instrument Training Flight

TO: See Distribution

1. All T-33s and T-6s of Turner Air Force Base will be pooled under operational control of the Base Instrument Training Section, 811th Air Base Group. Flight Line Maintenance will be accomplished by personnel of 811th Air Base Group, with Periodic and Field Maintenance being accomplished by the respective owning organizations.

2. Three (3) qualified instrument instructor pilots will be assigned to the instrument section; two (2) with the primary duty of instructor, one (1) as the Officer in Charge. Additional instrument instructor pilots will be called for on a day by day basis from the 31st and 508th Fighter-Escort Wings as needed to prepare students for their final check ride. The final check will be given by one of the instructor pilots assigned to the instrument section.

3. Prior to the first instrument class a short course of standardization for all Instrument Instructor Pilots will be conducted in T-33 aircraft.

4. Qualified ground training instructors will be furnished by supporting organizations as required by the OIC, Instrument Training Section.

5. Pilots will be scheduled for instrument school approximately sixty (60) days preceeding their birthday for a period of two (2) weeks. Personnel designated for attendance will be relieved from other duties for primary duty with the instrument section for the duration of the course, normally about two (2) weeks.

a. In the event full utilization of pilots cannot be realized because of maintenance difficulties, etc. they will be released to their squadrons for the remainder of the day. If satisfactory performance of instrument flying is achieved in less than the full duration of the course the pilot will be returned to his squadron for duty.

6. Course Contents:

Ground training will be conducted from 0830-1200 hours, Monday thru Friday of the first week and will consist of the following:

EXHIBIT NO. 15

(a) CAA & AF Regs, Instrument Handbooks.
(b) Jet letdown, GCA, Radio Range.
(c) Radio Compass.
(d) Weather.

7. Flight training will be conducted from 1300-1700 hours the first week, and 0800-1700 hours the second week. Training will be in T-33 type aircraft for all personnel qualified in jet aircraft. Training for all other personnel will be in T-6 or other conventional type aircraft.

8. Flying Training will consist of the following:

(a) Basic Instruments.
(b) Radio Range, Radio Compass and Radio Navigation.
(c) Letdowns.
(d) GCA.
(e) Flight Check.

9. Pilots will be scheduled for attendance by the OIC, Instrument Training Section. Approximately five (5) per tactical wing per class, plus base personnel will be scheduled as required.

10. The Officer in Charge will submit a report to the Director of Operations, 40th Air Division and the operations section of the concerned Wing upon completion of the training course by each student.

11. Transition and Administrative requirements for T-33s will be established at the weekly 60-9 Scheduling of Aircraft meeting at Wing level. These requirements will then be coordinated with the OIC of the instrument school.

/s/ Thayer S. Olds
/t/ THAYER S. OLDS
Colonel, USAF
Commanding

DISTRIBUTION:
CO, 31st Ftr-Esc Wg
CO, ea 31st Ftr-Esc Wg
CO, 508th Ftr-Esc Wg
CO, ea 508th Ftr-Esc Wg
CO, 811th AB Gp

A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:
JOSEPH E. ZORO
1st Lt., USAF

HEADQUARTERS 40TH AIR DIVISION
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

DOP 370.2 23 January 1953

SUBJECT: Ground Defense Training

TO: Commanding Officer, 31st Strategic-Fighter Wing
Commanding Officer, 508th Strategic-Fighter Wing
Commanding Officer, 811th Air Base Group
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

1. In order to comply with the provisions of SAC Letter IGEDB 370.2, subject, "Ground Defense Training," dated 30 October 1952, the following procedures will be followed to implement this training program.

a. The Base Training Flight will conduct a school in ground defense tactics for the purpose of training selected NCO's from each squadron on this station.

b. These NCO's upon completion of training, will return to their respective organizations as instructors to implement unit training, in accordance with a forthcoming 40th Air Division Regulation, under the the supervision of the Unit Commanders.

c. Duration of this training period will be approximately twenty-five hours, scheduled two hours per day, five days per week; this training program scheduled to begin 9 February 1953.

d. Request name, rank and serial number of two (2) NCO's from each fighter squadron and five (5) NCO's from all other squadrons selected for this instructor training program be submitted to Base S-3 no later than 4 February 1953. Recommend that squadron records be screened in an effort to select the most qualified personnel for this course, preferably personnel with prior infantry service.

e. It is imperative that the men selected be available to attend each class of this course, as scheduled, as the training will be progressive and classes will not be repeated.

f. Squadrons will be furnished a complete class schedule by 2 February 1953.

A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

Joseph E. Zuco
JOSEPH E. ZUCO
1st Lt., USAF

s/t/ CY WILSON
Colonel, USAF
Commanding

EXHIBIT NO. 16

AIRPLANE AND FLYING TIME STATISTICS - JAN 53

Following is data on Base Flight aircraft, including Airplane and Flying Time.

Airplane Time:

T-6	61:50
C-47	392:45
T-33	202:35
T-11	10:55
T-7	15:10
Total	683:15

	T-6	C-47	T-33	T-7	T-11
Training	28:30	7:05	189:25	3:00	0:00
Administrative	33:20	385:40	13:10	12:10	10:55

Flying Time by Organization

	T-6	C-47	T-33	T-7	T-11
Base Flight	23:00	570:15	3:00	19:30	14:55
466th Strat-Ftr Sq.	5:35	96:05	98:30	0:00	0:00
467th Strat-Ftr Sq.	1:30	45:50	32:05	0:00	0:00
468th Strat-Ftr Sq.	18:40	45:55	69:10	0:00	0:00
307th Strat-Ftr Sq.	6:55	26:10	47:35	0:00	0:00
308th Strat-Ftr Sq.	24:25	63:20	79:45	0:00	0:00
309th Strat-Ftr Sq.	2:15	65:45	68:45	0:00	0:00

Total Flying Time obtained by Aircraft

T-6	82:20
C-47	913:20
T-11	14:55
T-7	19:30
T-33	398:50
Total	1429:05

Instrument Time obtained in Type Aircraft:

T-6	10:15
C-47	230:40
T-11	0:00
T-7	0:00
T-33	137:40
Total	378:35

EXHIBIT NO 17

Listed below are percentages of AFR 60-2 requirements completed by pilots assigned or attached to Base Flight for flying for the month of January 53. (Percentages are based on the annual requirements of 100 hours proficiency, 15 hours night and 20 hours hood and/or weather. Percentages based on 20 pilots present for duty.)

Proficiency..... 76%

Night..... 77%

Hood and/or Weather..... 74%

The Base Operations Dispatch Section processed 303 outgoing flights, 337 incoming flights, 42 Round Robin flights, and 78 local flights, which included Training flights, Operational Missions and Minimum Individual Training flights.

The Turner Tower processed 3,148 take-offs and landings, 31 practice VHF/DF steers and 19 emergency VHF/DF steers during the month of January 53.

Following inspections were accomplished during the month:

1st Intermediate Inspections..... 2

2nd Intermediate Inspections..... 2

Periodic Inspections..... 6

Major Inspections..... 3

Acceptance Inspection..... 1

Fourteen (14) T-33 aircraft were gained by Base Flight during January 53.

Following transient aircraft were serviced and necessary maintenance performed:

B-25..... 9
B-26..... 10
B-29..... 4
C-45..... 8
C-46..... 13
C-47..... 69
C-97..... 11
F-84..... 22
F-86..... 6
T-6..... 6
T-7..... 5
T-11..... 3
T-33..... 27
SNJ..... 3
R4D..... 1
F6F..... 1
AD4N..... 1
B-17..... 1
FG-1D..... 1
C-54..... 2
DC-4..... 2
F-51..... 8

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HEADQUARTERS 811TH AIR BASE GROUP
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

BASE COMPT 7 January 1953

SUBJECT: Weekly Progress Report

TO: Commanding Officer
40th Air Division
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

1. The following report on the progress of the 811th Air Base Group for the week ending 4 January 1953 is submitted for your consideration.

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b. Materiel:

(1)

	4 Jan	4 Dec	Month of Jan as of 4 Jan	Month of Dec as of 29 Dec	Month of Dec
AOCP %	6.3	3.9	6.3	5.7	5.6
ANFE %	21.2	10.5	21.2	14.4	16

The AOCP percentage for Turner Air Force Base as of 4 January 1953 was 6.3. As of 29 December 1952 the AOCP percent was 4.8. This shows an increase of 1.5.

The ANFE percentage for Turner Air Force Base as of 4 January 1953 was 21.2. As of 4 December 1952 the ANFE percentage was 10.5. This shows an increase of 10.7.

2 January 1953 was the only reporting date so far this month for the AOCP and ANFE rates. The comparison of December 1952 and January 1953 rate may not be good averages to compare.

EXHIBIT NO. 18

Base Compt, Subject: Weekly Progress Report

(2)

Date	TOTAL AOCP	Line Items Needed	TOTAL ANFE	Line Items Needed
29 Dec	6	27	24	30
30 Dec	7	28	23	28
31 Dec	7	24	26	35
2 Jan	8	27	24	35

(3) Low Supply Effectiveness existing at the depots is still the major reason for the abnormal ANFE condition. The total AOCP column has shown a steady increase this week from 6 to 8.

(4)

	Period Ending 31 Dec	Period Ending 30 Nov
VOCP %	3.4	2.0
VOCM %	.7	1.9
VOC %	4.1	3.9

A very definite increase is shown in December VOCP rate from that in November. The large number of vehicles are VOCP because of the slow processing of parts and parts not obtainable at the present time. Also to the depreciation of the vehicles.

The December VOCM rate shows a definite decrease from that of November VOCM rate.

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/s/ John J. Smith
/t/ JOHN J. SMITH
Major, USAF
Management Analysis

A CERTIFIED TRUE EXTRACT COPY:

Joseph E. Zuro
JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

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HEADQUARTERS 811TH AIR BASE GROUP
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

14 January 1953

BASE COMPT

SUBJECT: Weekly Progress Report

TO: Commanding Officer
40th Air Division
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

1. The following report on the progress of the 811th Air Base Group for the week ending 11 January 1953 is submitted for your consideration.

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b. Materiel:

(1)

	9 Jan	9 Dec	Month of January as of 9 Jan	Month of December
AOCP %	3.4	4.7	4.7	5.6
ANFE %	18.2	9.7	20.2	16.

The AOCP percent for Turner Air Force Base for the month of January as of 9 January 1953 was 4.7. For the month of December 1952 the AOCP percent was 5.6. This shows a decrease of .9.

The ANFE percent for Turner Air Force Base for the month of January as of 9 January 1953 was 20.2. For the month of December 1952 the ANFE percent was 16. This shows an increase of 4.2.

(2) The following table illustrates the number of line items needed daily with respect to the total AOCP and ANFE for the past week.

Date	Total AOCP	Line Items Needed	Total ANFE	Line Items Needed
5 Jan	5	21	25	32
6 Jan	7	24	23	31
7 Jan	7	19	25	31
8 Jan	6	9	25	32
9 Jan	5	6	24	32

EXHIBIT NO. 19

Base Compt, Subject: Weekly Progress Report

Low Supply Effectiveness existing at the depots is still the major reason for the standstill of the ANFE condition. The total AOCP column has shown a steady decrease this week. The "Line Items Needed" column for AOCP has also shown a steady decrease.

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/s/ John J. Smith
/t/ JOHN J. SMITH
Major, USAF
Management Analysis

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HEADQUARTERS 811TH AIR BASE GROUP
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

BASE COMPT 21 January 1953

SUBJECT: Weekly Progress Report

TO: Commanding Officer
40th Air Division
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

1. The following report on the progress of the 811th Air Base Group for the week ending 18 January 1953 is submitted for your consideration.

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b. Materiel:

(1)

	16 Jan	16 Dec	Month of Jan as of 16 Jan	Month of Dec as of 16 Dec	Month of Dec
AOCP%	6.8	8.6	4.9	5.6	5.6
ANFE%	18.6	17.1	19.5	11.0	16.0

The AOCP percent for Turner Air Force Base as of 16 January 1953 was 6.8. As of 16 December 1952, the AOCP percent was 8.6. This month's period shows a decrease of 1.8.

The ANFE percent for Turner Air Force Base for the month of January as of 16 January 1953 was 19.5; for the month of December, as of 16 December 1952, it was 11.0. January's period shows a 8.5 increase.

(2) The following table illustrates the number of line items needed daily with respect to the total AOCP and ANFE for the past week.

Date	Total AOCP	Line Items Needed	Total ANFE	Line Items Needed
12 Jan	5	6	24	34
13 Jan	6	7	25	36
14 Jan	7	8	26	38
15 Jan	9	11	24	36
16 Jan	10	12	25	37

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(3) The steady increase shown in the total AOCP column is due mainly to delays of transportation of needed items allowing the number of AOCP's to accumulate.

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(4)

	Period Ending 16 Jan	Period Ending 16 Dec
VOCP Percentage	2.8	1.9
VOCM Percentage	1.3	0.7
VOC Percentage	4.1	2.6

(5) The increase shown in January's VOC% from that in December is due mainly to an unexpected accelerated depreciation of various vehicle parts. Maintenance personnel believe this was due mainly to the use of poor lubricating grease purchased by Base Supply. Samples of this grease have been sent to the Air Proving Grounds for tests and the results are being awaited.

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/s/ John J. SMITH
/t/ JOHN J. SMITH
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HEADQUARTERS 811TH AIR BASE GROUP
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SUBJECT: Weekly Progress Report

TO: Commanding Officer
40th Air Division
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

1. The following report on the progress of the 811th Air Base Group for the week ending 31 January 1953 is submitted for your consideration.

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b. Materiel:

(1)

	30 Jan	30 Dec	Month of Jan as of 30 Jan	Month of Dec as of 30 Dec	Month of December
AOCP%	8 %	5.6%	6.0%	5.2%	5.6%
ANFE%	26.1%	20.5%	27.0%	19.5%	16.0%

The sudden rise showing in 30 January AOCP percentage is due to 7 T-33's going out of commission each for a receiver, on 30 January. These receivers, expected to arrive at Turner Air Force Base on 2 February 1953, should effect improvement in the AOCP percent.

The steady increase shown in the ANFE percent through 30 January is due mainly to a large number of critical items which are long overdue, thereby causing increase in ANFE through accumulation.

The following items are the critical items effecting condition stated above.

Class	Stock Number	Nomenclature	ANFE No. of A/C
0311	4890-870305	Compressor	11
0311	4846-8U8005-51	Valve	5
04B	6600-273496-97	Gasket	1
16S	3370-211000-2515	Tube	1
08G	8870-824000-555	Lamp	1
03F	4562-P1069	Mirror	2

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A letter has been sent to Second Air Force by Base Supply in an attempt to have this condition alleviated.

(2) There is an improvement in January's semi-monthly VOCP status for the period ending 31 January 1953. There is a slight regression in the VOCM status for 31 January as compared to 31 December.

The VOCM regression is due mainly to an increase in number of vehicles going out of commission for maintenance along with a loss of personnel (48) through the mobility plan, thereby slowing down the maintenance.

	Period Ending 31 Dec	Period Ending 31 Jan
VOCP Percentage	3.4	2.0
VOCM Percentage	0.7	1.3
VOC	4.1	3.3

/s/ Henry C. Kelley
/t/ HENRY C. KELLEY
Major, USAF
Base Comptroller

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PROPOSED AIR FORCE EDUCATIONAL SYSTEM

1. The following plan of education is recommended to the Air Force with a view toward lowering cost, increasing the Reenlistment Rate, lowering the AWOL Rate and improving morale.

It should be remembered that the Management Analysis Service personnel are not educators and cannot outline a perfect curriculum for the low caliber airmen.

2. Educational System Plan:

a. Students.

(1) Immediately upon arriving at the indoctrination centers, recruits should be divided into two categories:

(a) The first group would consist of men possessing an average amount of intelligence and presumed trainable by Air Force technical schools. These men would undergo the present basic training program.

(b) The other group would consist of men possessing a low amount of intelligence as evidenced by an AFQT IV-30 or before. These men would undergo the proposed schooling in addition to basic training.

b. Schools.

(1) Three centralized elementary and high schools established at each of the three indoctrination centers of Lackland, Sampson and Parks Air Force Bases.

c. Instructors.

(1) These schools would utilize <u>qualified</u> professional teachers with at least a college degree in education.

d. Courses.

(1) Basic thinking courses should be taught, including reading and mathematics, such as outlined in TAB D for elementary work. Further courses could include English and general science to bring the men up to about a tenth grade level.

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(2) The length of the complete course should be at least from eight to twelve weeks, with classes held four hours daily, making a total of one hundred sixty to two hundred forty intensified scholastic hours.

e. Costs of the Outlined Program.

(1) The additional costs required to put such a program into effect could come from the funds now appropriated for "Operation Bootstrap."

3. Problem:

a. The Student.

(1) Any time a man is told he has to learn, he immediately takes a defensive attitude to the entire program. The student should never hear the word "mandatory" education but rather should have the desire to learn instilled in his mind.

(2) The student should not be told he is undergoing "elementary school" because he did not complete this type training in civilian life. The students should be told that they are being trained to meet the high requirements of the Air Force Technical Schools.

(3) Students who fail to complete the proposed school or fail to show any intellectual improvement, as evidenced by a test, should be eliminated from the Air Force under the provisions of AFR 39-16, paragraph 3.

COMMITTEE MINUTES

29 January 1953

1. The Turner AFB Living Improvement Fund Advisory Committee, appointed under authority of paragraph 9, Special Order number 123, Headquarters 811th AB Gp, 28 November 1952, convened at 0815 hours on Wednesday, 28 January 1953.

2. Consideration was given to the expenditures recommended at the meeting held by this committee on 9 December 1952, as follows:

a. The recommendation of $20,000 to be used in remodeling building number 2207 into a suitable airman's Club was ruled out. Under existing SAC policies the money collected can not be used for the construction of an open mess or Service Club. At the present time Turner AFB has a Service Club for use by all airmen. With the above in mind, the Airman's Club project was therefore ruled out.

b. It was recommended that the original $10,000 suggested for the construction of a nine (9) hole golf course be raised to approximately $20,000 in view of the fact that the Airman's Club would not require any money since this project had been ruled out.

3. It was further recommended that $10,000 be allotted for the construction of a pavilion in the picnic area at Turner AFB. This would be used by all persons visiting the picnic area, affording them a place to go in inclement weather.

4. There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 0830 hours.

/s/ Donald P. Miller
/t/ DONALD P. MILLER
T/Sgt, AF 36466969
Recorder

/s/ Glenn H. Mehew
/t/ GLENN H. MEHEW
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TURNER AIR FORCE BASE, ALBANY, GEORGIA

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(STRATEGIC AIR COMMAND)

for

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2 February 1953 - F-84-10 Mobile Training Detachment ordered to move from Turner AFB to Dow AFB, Maine.

3 February 1953 - Departure of 508th Strategic Fighter Wing from Turner to FEAF for 90 days TDY.

9-10 February 53 - Air Vice Marshal Elias Koutsoukos, Royal Hellenic Air Force, and staff, visited Turner.

13 February 1953 - F-84-10 Mobile Training Detachment moved from Turner AFB to Dow AFB, Maine, via Bergstrom AFB, Texas.

19 February 1953 - Ninth Air Force officials visited Turner AFB.

25 February 1953 - Word received that the 551st Aviation Squadron would be moved from Sandia AFB, New Mexico to Turner AFB.

27 February 1953 - Presentation of trophy to Turner AFB for winning first place in the Safe Aircraft Campaign for 1953 for January.

28 February 1953 - Royal Air Force pilots visited Turner AFB.

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I - ORGANIZATION AND ADMINISTRATION

Several major events commanded the attention of the 40th Air Division and the 811th Air Base Group throughout the month of February. Of first importance was the departure during the period 3-15 February of the main body of 508th Strategic Fighter Wing personnel for temporary duty to the FEAF. The movement was in line with the requirement existing "for continued rotation of Strategic Air Command strategic fighter wings to FEAF for the purpose of obtaining training and rotational experience." 1/ A total of 1121 personnel made the flight to the Far East, 295 of whom went to Chitose Air Force Base, Japan, and 826 to Misawa Air Force Base, Japan. 2/ An advance party of 72 personnel left Turner, 26 January 1953, for Misawa AFB to assist in-place personnel in preparing for the arrival of the main body of the 508th. 3/ The move was effected in aircraft of the Military Air Transport Service. The 508th was to utilize planes flown to the Far East by the 27th Strategic Fighter Wing whom the 508th is relieving.

On 2 February, the 40th Air Division received word that the F-84-10 Mobile Training Detachment had been ordered to move from

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1/ Operations Order 3-53, Hq 2AF, dtd 12 Jan 53. (On file, Hq TAFB, Albany, Ga.)

2/ Ibid.

3/ See Ch. I, History of 40th Air Division and 811th Air Base Group.

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Turner AFB to Dow AFB, Maine. This was a permanent change of station, although the unit was ordered to proceed via Bergstrom AFB, there to remain for a period of 60 days with the 12th Strategic Fighter Wing. 4/ The actual movement of the Mobile Training Detachment took place on 13 February.

On 12 February, Headquarters Strategic Air Command informed 40th Air Division that determination of the permanent location of the 100th Air Refueling Squadron was anticipated within the next two weeks. 5/ At month's end, however, the matter was still in abeyance. Meanwhile, Headquarters 811th Air Base Group received word that the 551st Aviation Squadron was to be moved from Sandia Air Force Base, Albuquerque, New Mexico, to Turner Air Force Base. The movement was to be completed by 31 March 1953. The movement was to constitute a permanent change of station, and following assignment to Turner, the 551st was to be relieved from assignment to the Strategic Air Command. 6/

The 40th Air Division was host to several groups of visitors during the month. On 9-10 February, Air Vice Marshal Elias Koutsoukos of the Greek Air Force, and his staff, visited Turner. 7/

4/ Ltr, Dept of Air Force, Subj: Movement Directive F-84-10 Detachment, 3497th MT Sq, dtd 19 Jan 53. (See Exhibit No. 1)

5/ TWX Message, DPPOM 55302, dtd 12 Feb 53. (See Exhibit No. 2)

6/ TWX Message, Hq USAF, AFOOP-OC-C 58620. (See Exhibit No. 3)

7/ See Ch. VI, page 23, below.

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Personnel from Headquarters, USAF, the Ninth Air Force, and 52nd Air Division, Bergstrom AFB, attended a project committee meeting on "Project Kickoff," Other Ninth Air Force officials, lead by Brigadier General James Ferguson, deputy commanding general, paid Turner a visit, 19 February. 8/ On 28 February, six Royal Air Force pilots visited the base as part of their course at the RAF Flying College. 9/

On 12 February, the Division Commander departed Turner for Washington, D. C. to attend the Air Force Manpower Management Training Program at the George Washington University. The course was of three weeks' duration and the Commander was expected to return to Turner March 7. 10/

Preparations for Armed Forces Day, 16 May 1953, were begun at Turner with the appointment of Lieutenant Colonel Lawrence J. Pickett as Project Officer.

The Manpower and Organization Office forwarded to Second Air Force Table of Organization Change Requests for the 811th Air Base Group and 31st Medical Group during the month. 11/ This was in compliance with directives from higher headquarters that applicable Tables of Organization be reviewed and republished within six months.

8/ See Ch. VI, page 24 , below.

9/ See Ch. VI, page 23 , below.

10/ SO 33, Hq 40th Air Div, dtd 6 Feb 53, (See Exhibit No. 4)

11/ Interview with Lt. Col. Fred L. Houck, Base Manpower Officer.

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Recommendations for T/O Change Requests for unit of the 811th Air Base Group and the Medical Group were presented to the Base Manpower Board, 6 February, and upon approval locally they were forwarded to Headquarters Second Air Force to meet the deadline date of 13 February. The T/O Change Requests for the 31st Medical Group were accepted and approved by Second Air Force and forwarded to Headquarters Strategic Air Command for approval. In addition, the T/O Change Requests for the squadrons of the 811th Air Base Group, less the 811th Operations Squadron, were forwarded by Headquarters Second Air Force to Strategic Air Command for approval. Additional spaces requested by the 811th Operations Squadron for maintenance of T-33 aircraft were requested from Headquarters Strategic Air Command as approved overage manning, pending revision of the Operations Squadron Table of Organization.

The 811th Food Service, Air Police and Supply Squadrons, and the 31st Field Maintenance and 31st Armament and Electronics Squadrons were requested to submit recommended changes to T/O's necessitated by additional workloads to be assumed by reason of the activation of the 100th Air Refueling Squadron. The Change Requests were received from the Food Service and Air Police Squadrons predicated on the possibility that the Refueling Squadron personnel arrive at Turner. These T/O changes were forwarded to Second Air Force, 10 February, for approval.

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II - PERSONNEL

The various agencies of the Personnel Office at Turner Air Force Base performed a number of important duties during the month. Personal Affairs was concerned with rendering all possible assistance to the next of kin of the 508th Strategic Fighter Wing on TDY in the Far East. The Personnel Services Office made preparations for an invitational basketball tournament involving seven Air Force Bases, opened the second semester of Operation Bootstrap, and held the annual intra-mural base basketball tournament. The Civilian Personnel Office was faced with new ceiling restrictions on the employment of civilians, and the Personnel Office conducted a housing survey of military and civilian personnel residing in the Turner area.

The Personal Affairs Office sent personal letters, signed by the Base Commander, to the next of kin of all 508th Strategic Fighter Wing on TDY offering assistance and outlining the facilities to them should the need arise. 12/ Where next of kin did not reside in the Turner vicinity, a letter was dispatched to the Commanding Officer of the military installation nearest their residence. 13/ The letter requested assistance for 508th personnel should they need it. Replies from next of kin furnished changes of address, and

12/ Ltr from Base Commander to NOK. (See Exhibit No. 5)

13/ Ltr from Base Commander. (See Exhibit No. 6)

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raised a variety of miscellaneous questions concerning such items as date of return, storage or transportation of household effects, and allotments. Prompt answers were sent to each enquirer.

The month of February saw most of the educational projects planned by the Personnel Services Office for early 1953 put into effect. The second semester of the college program with Florida State University was started at this time. On 5 February 1953 registration was held with personnel of the registrars office of the university enrolling students. The first classes were held on 10 February. There are 60 persons enrolled in four classes; English, Algebra, History and Speech. These classes will continue for 16 weeks until June. At a later date, it will be determined if interest warrants a summer session. At least forty students will have to be enrolled if such plans are made.

Additional contracts for Operation Bootstrap College work were negotiated with Birmingham Southern College and Howard College of Birmingham, Alabama for several airmen stationed at the Birmingham Airport as part of the 3944th Radar Bomb Scoring Squadron of this base.

The Base Elementary School was continued during the month as scheduled. Enrollment remains at 38 students in the first school of the year which will end on 10 March 1953. A second school was

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to begin two weeks after this closing date. Students presently in the class were given special work in preparation for the AQE Test. Those who did not successfully pass this test or who failed the general course were to be allowed to re-enroll in the next class. It was anticipated that the second school would consist of approximately 60 students enrolled in three classes. All instructors will again be from the Education Office.

At the request of the Hunter Air Force Base Education Service Officer, the Turner Base Education Office worked with their Education Office in the establishment of an elementary program. The plans, forms, and general outline of the school were sent to Hunter for their use.

A special interest class in music appreciation was organized as an off-duty activity. The class had approximately 16 students and used textbooks, materials, and phonograph records obtained from the U. S. Armed Forces Institute. Mr. William McGeough of the Base Manpower volunteered his services as instructor of this class without compensation. The class will be of no expense to Turner AFB or to the Air Force. This was the first of a series of planned special classes which were to be operated on a voluntary basis for interested persons without expense to the individual student or to the base.

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During the month, 19 college level General Education Development Tests and 51 high school level General Educational Development Tests were administered to Turner personnel. High School diplomas were obtained for eight persons from State Departments of Education or from the individuals' former high schools.

Athletic-wise, the Personnel Services Office had a busy month. Intra-mural basketball, bowling, and golf championships were run off, and in addition, preparations were made for an invitational basketball tournament to take place in early March. Six bases, including Eglin AFB, MacDill AFB, Hunter AFB, Warner-Robins AFB, Moody AFB, and Lawson AFB accepted invitations to participate in the tournament. Plans were made to present trophies to the winners and runners-up in the tournament.

Personnel Services made rapid strides toward the setting up of the Cost and Participation File for recreational activities at Turner. 14/ The Off-Duty Activities Registers, which were filled out by every person on the base, were collected and an alphabetical file started. The Office began screening the file in preparation of an anticipated heavy spring and summer recreational program.

The Ground Safety Office reported two military vehicular accidents and four off-duty motor accidents, one of which proved

14/ See Ch. II, History of 40th Air Div and 811th ABG, Jan 53.

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fatal. The military accident rate for Turner Air Force Base was 5.23 and the total cost of all accidents was $34,404, or a per capita cost of $7.86. 15/

The Civilian Personnel Office received word that new ceiling restrictions were placed on the employment of civilian workers, effective 31 January. The restrictions imposed a ceiling of 281 personnel at Turner, the number of personnel on the rolls as of 31 January. At the time the restrictions were placed in effect, there were 283 employees on the rolls at Turner. No recruitment of civilian personnel is possible until such time as personnel on the rolls is below the 281 figure. These restrictions curtailed recruitment operations, and it was necessary to cancel four commitments which were made during the early part of the month.

The Personnel Office performed a number of routine duties during the month, including recruitment, 16/ administration of proficiency tests, job knowledge tests, and Airmen's Qualifying Examinations, 17/ and the processing of personnel for schools. 18/

15/ See Ch. II, History of 40th Air Div and 811th ABG, Jan 53.

16/ Recruiting Office, Statistics from Base Recruiting Office-Feb 53. (See Exhibit No. 8)

17/ Statistics from Base Classification Section. (See Exhibit No. 9)

18/ Schools. (See Exhibit No. 9)

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III - OPERATIONS AND TRAINING

Impressive ceremonies on 14 February marked the receipt of news from higher headquarters that Turner Air Force Base had been adjudged the top station for January, 1953, in the Strategic Air Command's current Flying Safety campaign. 19/ While "braves" from the tactical squadrons on the base looked on, their "chiefs" in the form of the Air Division, Air Base Group, and 31st Wing Commanders and unit flying officers bedecked in Indian war bonnets congratulated them and urged a continuation of the outstanding flying safety record. The ceremony ended with the unveiling of the flying safety totem pole which revealed Turner Air Force Base at the top of the pole.

On 27 February, the Flying Safety Officer of the Strategic Air Command presented Turner with first base-of-the-month trophy emblematic of the base's top flying safety record during January. Turner scored 8,249 points during that month to win the award, followed by March AFB, California, and Biggs AFB, Texas. 20/ Appropriately engraved, the trophy was awarded permanently to Turner and is one of 12 monthly cups to be awarded during the "SAC for '53" (Safe Aircraft Campaign for 1953) drive launched by General Curtis E. LeMay, January 1.

19/ Base Newspaper, Fighters In-Formation, 20 Feb 53. (See Exhibit No. 10.)

20/ Base Newspaper, Fighters In-Formation, 6 Feb 53. (See Exhibit No.11)

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The Operations and Training Office set up a ground defense program during the month to implement ground training directives from higher headquarters (SAC Letter IGBDB 370.2, "Ground Defense Training, 30 October 1952). During the week of 9 through 16 February, carefully selected non-commissioned officers from each of the units assigned to the 40th Air Division underwent intensive training in ground defense techniques. 21/ Following the course, the men returned to their organizations to form training cadres for the base ground defense training program scheduled to begin in March. Of twelve hours' duration, the course consisted of instruction in base defense plans and organization, weapons, individual combat skills and unit ground combat operations. Personnel from the Air Base Training Flight and the Air Police conducted the training course.

Plans were projected to set up an official film sub-library within the Base Training Flight, and the Base Manpower and Organization Office conducted an informal study within the Flight to determine the advisability of establishing the library. The survey revealed that the services of a film library would provide an excellent stimulus to the internal training program on the base, and as a result, a letter was sent to Headquarters Air Materiel Command, requesting authority to set up the library.

21/ Schedule for Ground Defense Training, 9 - 16 Feb 53. (See Exhibit No. 12.)

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Construction commenced on the new Base Communications Building and by the end of the month the foundations had been laid and the side walls had begun to appear. Work was begun by the Telephone company to channel under portions of the foundation to facilitate cable laying to meet the physical requirements posed by existing cable distribution serving the area. In addition, by month's end the Communications Center had completed work on the installation of five outside telephone booths for the convenience of Turner personnel. A work order was submitted for the installation of the sixth booth.

Although somewhat shorthanded, the Wire Maintenance Section performed several major jobs during the month. The section inspected all field telephones in the Base Defense System, repaired damaged and broken field wire and made repairs on the Defense switchboard. In addition, the section completed the intercom system with the installation of slave stations for Headquarters Squadron Section of the 811th Air Base Group. The section also relocated the field telephone connecting the Operations Office with Fire Station No. 1 and the firing range from Base Headquarters to a new location in the Training Flight building. This installation involved the stringing of 1000 feet of field wire.

The Air Base Training Flight conducted Atomic, Biological and Chemical Warfare training for 359 airmen. Twenty officers were indoctrinated in Base Survival principles. The range section of the

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flight fired 187 airmen with the carbine. In addition, 21 officers were trained and tested in Morse code.

Base Flight aircraft flew a total of 778.25 hours during the month of February. Airplane time for the month totalled 519.50 hours. 22/

22/ Airplane and Flying Time Statistics. (See Exhibit No. 13)

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IV - MATERIEL

Progress continued to be made throughout the month on a number of special installation projects at Turner Air Force Base. 23/ The grading and paving of the area between the aprons and the security fence were completed during the month. The Ammunition Storage Igloos, which were 93.5 per cent complete in January, were virtually completed by the end of February with 98.5 per cent of the project finished. The Refueling and Bulk Storage System, a major project administered by the Savannah District Engineers, remained 99 per cent complete by the end of the month. The rehabilitation of the Dental Clinic, consisting of the installation of new dental equipment and new fixtures, redecorating, and the construction of new rooms, was 90 per cent complete.

Considerable work was done on the construction of the new Administration Building, and by month's end the structure was nearly half completed. The building, which will house the 40th Air Division and 811th Air Base Group Headquarters, is scheduled for completion by 15 June of this year. The General Purpose Warehouse being built to house Base Supply was 47 per cent complete by the end of the month.

23/ Projects Administered by Savannah District Engineers and AIO, Hq TAFB, Albany, Ga. (See Exhibit No. 14)

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Rehabilitation of living quarters continued during February. Installation of mastipave floor coverings in the airmen's barracks jumped 25 per cent on 31 January to 67 per cent complete by the end of February. Installation of attic fans in the BOQ's and enlisted men's barracks was 65 per cent complete by the end of the month.

Work also continued on a railroad extension to the new General Purpose Warehouse, the construction of a lumber shed in the Motor Pool area, and the building of a supply warehouse. The latter project was 96 per cent complete by the end of the month.

The AOCP (Aircraft Out of Commission Awaiting Parts) and the ANFE (Aircraft Not Fully Equipped) percentages continued to remain high throughout the month, a carry-over problem from the previous month. 24/ As of 6 February, the AOCP rate was 10.8, more than double that of the same period in January. The ANFE average for the same period was 28.3, a 7.0 climb over this period in the previous month. 25/ It was the opinion of the Base Comptroller's Office that the continued regression in the AOCP and ANFE status was due mainly to an accumulation of AOCP's and ANFE's over a period of time

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24/ See History of 40th Air Div and 811th Air Base Group, Jan 53, Ch IV.

25/ Ltr, Base Compt, Subj: Weekly Progress Report, dtd 11 Feb 53. (See Exhibit No. 15)

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from the daily AOCP and ANFE. This accumulation was caused by low supply effectiveness existing at the Depots. It was the opinion of the Comptroller that the AOCP and ANFE percentages would drop considerably and remain at a continued low if the Depots would act more swiftly as they received requests for needed line items. 26/ The high AOCP and ANFE percentages continued throughout the month of February, again, in the opinion of the Comptroller the result of an abnormal accumulation of AOCP's and ANFE's. 27/

Considerable improvement was reflected in the VOCP (Vehicles Out of Commission Awaiting Parts) and the VOCM (Vehicles Out of Commission Awaiting Maintenance) percentages for the period ending 1 March 1953 as compared to the period ending 31 January. In the opinion of the Comptroller, this condition might have been caused by the fact that February was a short month. 28/ The AOCP percentage for the month of February was 5.4, the VOCP was 4.0 and the VOCM was 3.0.

Base Materiel was also concerned with the opening of a branch Post Exchange in the Base Hospital, 25 February, for the convenience of patients and hospital personnel. The Air Installations Office removed a partition between two rooms in Ward 3 of the hospital to make room for the new Exchange branch. A complete stock of items

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26/ Ibid.

27/ Ltrs, Base Compt, Subj: Weekly Progress Reports, 26 Feb 53 & 4 Mar 53. (See Exhibits No. 16 and 17.)

28/ Ltr, Base Compt, Subj: Weekly Progress Report, 4 Mar 53, (See Exhibit 17.)

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is currently for sale. Work also started on the renovation of the NCO Club Annex with a view to making a Beer Garden for airmen of the lower four grades.

During the month, the Air Installations Office prepared a number of requests for construction of important facilities at Turner. A request for the construction of important facilities at Turner. A request for the construction of a small plane hangar was submitted to higher headquarters for approval. Plans and specifications for a request for the air conditioning of three hospital buildings were being prepared during the month. Work continued on drawings and specifications for the construction of one 8-bay segregated storage magazine. In addition the Engineering Section prepared a request for the construction of a jet engine test stand for submittal to higher headquarters.

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V - COMMUNITY RELATIONS

Turner Air Force Base participated in the annual Citizenship Day program by inviting four Explorer Scouts from Albany to visit the installation 9 February. The Scouts visited most of the units on the base and toured the flight line. They watched a demonstration of the starting procedure of a jet engine and viewed landing jets at close range from the mobile control unit.

With the successful completion of the March of Dimes campaign in January, 29/ the base began preparations for the annual Red Cross Drive in March. On 20 February, the Division Commander, through the medium of the Base Newspaper, addressed a letter to all military and civilian personnel, suggesting that they contribute one day's pay to the Red Cross, thereby assuring the success of the drive. 30/ The drive got underway during the month with the appointment of officers and non-commissioned officers in each squadron to collect donations from personnel listed on specially prepared lists.

Final figures on Turner's contribution to the March of Dimes campaign was $1,785.44. This amount was presented to the Dougherty County March of Dimes Committee during February.

29/ See History of 40th Air Div and 811th ABG, "Special Projects," Jan 53.

30/ Ltr, 40th Air Div, Subj: Red Cross for 1953, (See Exhibit No. 18)

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The base participated in 12th Anniversary celebrations of the Albany USO Club, 4 February. The Commanding Officer of the 40th Air Division and the Commanding General of the Marine Depot in Albany were present during the celebrations and presented awards to volunteer workers. Both officers took the opportunity to thank the community for its continued efforts to make a home-away-from-home for personnel of their respective commands.

The installation also was host to a number of participants in the Teen-Agers basketball tournament in Albany during the month. Boys from throughout southern Georgia were taken on a tour of the base as part of a special program.

Initial, long-range planning was begun for Armed Forces Day to be held May 16, and the Base Information Services Office and 40th Air Division Armed Forces Day project officer held preliminary meetings.

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VI - RELATIONS WITH OTHER UNITS

During the month, Turner AFB was host to several groups of officers from other countries and from one other USAF command. The Commanding General of the Royal Hellenic Air Force's Tactical Air Command, several Royal Air Force officers, and the Deputy Commanding General of the Tactical Air Command's Ninth Air Force visited Turner in February.

Air Vice Marshal Elias Koutsoukos of the Greek Air Force, and his staff, visited the base 9 - 10 February as part of a U.S. air base tour to assist "recipients of Mutual Security Act benefits in obtaining maximum utilization of material and equipment furnished under the provisions of this act by personal indoctrination in USAF methods...". 31/ During their tour of the base, the Greek officers were briefed on the Strategic Air Command, the Second Air Force, 40th Air Division and the two wing airbase. They were shown the techniques of checking out and training pilots, the construction and function of the Standardization Board, and the Strategic Air Command Flying Safety program and how it operated at base level.

Six Royal Air Force officers and one Royal Navy pilot visited Turner 28 February. Students of the Royal Air Force Flying College

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31/ Ltr, Dept of the Air Force, Subj: Visit of Air Vice Marshal Elias Koutsoukos, Commanding General, TAC, Royal Hellenic Air Force, and party, file AFOIN-1B4, dtd 14 Jan 53. (See Exhibit No. 19)

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the British officers visited Turner as part of the last month of their course. This consisted in studying United States tactical and escort fighter problems by means of lectures and tours of the United States eastern coast fighter bases.

Brigadier General James Ferguson, Deputy Commanding General of Ninth Air Force and his staff, paid a visit to Turner 19 February. The object of the visit was to observe Strategic Air communications and operations, to view operations at a jet base and to discuss mutual problems and familiarization of systems. The party's interest in Turner steemed from the fact that Tactical Air Command is converting to jet aircraft.

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VII - ROSTER OF KEY PERSONNEL

Headquarters 40th Air Division

As of 1 February 1953

Colonel Thayer S. Olds	Division Commander
Colonel Joe R. Williams	Director of Personnel (Prim dy) Executive Officer (Add dy)
Colonel Robert P. Montgomery	Director of Operations
Lt. Col. Lawrence J. Pickett	Operations Staff Officer
Major Harry P. Wagner	Operations Staff Officer

811th Air Base Group

As of 1 February 1953

Colonel John J. Easton	Commanding Officer
Lt. Col. John L. Wright	Deputy Commanding Officer
Lt. Col. George K. Sykes	Executive Officer
Major Edmond L. Fortin	Base Adjutant
Major William H. Milnor	Base Personnel Officer
Lt. Col. Fred L. Houck	Base Manpower Officer
Lt. Col. Chester M. Campbell	Base Materiel Officer
Lt. Col. Chester M. Conrad	Base Operations & Training Officer
Major John S. Dennis	Staff Judge Advocate
Major Henry C. Kelley	Base Comptroller
Major (Chaplain) Luther W. McArthur	Base Chaplain

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Roster of Key Personnel (Cont'd)

Major Melford A. Loeffler	CO, 811th Supply Squadron
Major Johnnie P. Harlow	CO, 811th Air Police Squadron
Captain Frank D. Furlow	CO, 811th Installations Squadron
Captain Henry A. Blood	CO, 811th Motor Vehicle Squadron
Captain Charles W. McRae	CO, 811th Food Service Squadron
Captain Joseph G. Guggino	CO, Headquarters Squadron Section, 811th Air Base Group

Headquarters 40th Air Division

As of 28 February 1953

Colonel Thayer S. Olds	Division Commander
Colonel Joe R. Williams	Director of Personnel (Prim dy) Executive Officer (Add dy)
Colonel Robert P. Montgomery	Director of Operations
Colonel Albert V. Kanig	Director of Materiel
Lt. Col. Lawrence J. Pickett	Operations Staff Officer
Major Harry P. Wagner	Operations Staff Officer

811th Air Base Group

As of 28 February 1953

Colonel John J. Easton	Commanding Officer
Lt. Col. John L. Wright	Deputy Commanding Officer
Lt. Col. George K. Sykes	Executive Officer
Major Edmond L. Fortin	Base Adjutant

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Roster of Key Personnel (Cont'd)

Major William H. Milnor	Base Personnel Officer
Lt. Col. Fred L. Houck	Base Manpower Officer
Lt. Col. Chester M. Campbell	Base Materiel Officer
Lt. Col. Chester M. Conrad	Base Operations and Training Officer
Major John S. Dennis	Staff Judge Advocate
Major Henry C. Kelley	Base Comptroller
Major Luther W. McArthur	Base Chaplain
Lt. Col. Chester M. Conrad	CO, 811th Operations Squadron
Major Melford A. Loeffler	CO, 811th Supply Squadron
Major Johnnie P. Harlow	CO, 811th Air Police Squadron
1st Lt. Richard W. Orr	CO, 811th Installations Squadron
Captain Henry A. Blood	CO, 811th Motor Vehicle Squadron
Captain Charles W. McRae	CO, 811th Food Service Squadron
Captain Joseph G. Guggino	CO, Headquarters Squadron Section, 811th Air Base Group

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Monthly Historical Reports from: 811th Supply, 811th Operations, 811th Air Police, 811th Motor Vehicle, 811th Food Service, and 811th Installations Squadrons.

Base Adjutant's Files and 40th Air Division Files.

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APPENDIX

DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
WASHINGTON

AFOOP-OC 370.5 19 January 1953

SUBJECT: (Unclassified) Movement Directive, F-84-10 Detachment, 3497th Mobile Training Squadron (Fighter)

TO: Commanding General
Air Training Command
Scott Air Force Base
Illinois

1. It is desired that the necessary orders be published to move the following unit at current strength from and to stations indicated at the earliest practicable date after date of this letter.

UNIT	PRESENT STATION	NEW STATION
F-84-10 Det, 3497th Mob Tng Sq (Ftr)	Turner AFB, Albany, Ga.	Dow AFB Bangor, Maine

a. The above unit will move from Turner AFB to Dow AFB with Bergstrom AFB, Austin, Texas, at which latter location the detachment is authorized temporary duty not to exceed sixty (60) days for the purpose of conducting technical training for the 12th Fighter-Escort Wing. After completion of temporary duty at Bergstrom AFB the detachment will proceed to Dow AFB to conduct technical training for the 506th Fighter-Escort Wing.

2. This movement will constitute a Permanent Change of Station. The unit will be attached to the Strategic Air Command for logistic support only, in accordance with AFR 11-4.

3. Movement will be made in accordance with applicable provisions of Air Force Regulations 75-2, 75-20 and 75-38. Military aircraft may be used.

4. Unit will move with special organizational equipment as prescribed by the Commanding General, Air Training Command.

5. The dates of departure and arrival of the detachment will be reported by means of the Air Force Organization Status Change Report (RCS AF-01). Specific reference is directed to Paragraph 12e, AFR 75-20, dated 25 June 1952.

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6. All official information regarding this movement, the safeguarding of which is necessary in the interest of national security, will be classified accordingly, and termed "Security Information."

7. In addition to other distribution two (2) copies of the movement orders published will be furnished the Directorate of Operations, DCS/O, Headquarters USAF.

8. Cite Permanent Change of Station Open Allotment Accounting Classification 5733500 348-301 P533-99 S99-999 for all PCS costs from the home station in accordance with the provisions of AFM 172-1.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE AIR FORCE:

/s/t / N. H. HOLBROOK
Major, USAF
Asst Air Adj Gen

DISTRIBUTION:
Hq USAF, plus

Commanding Generals,
Air Materiel Command
Strategic Air Command
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Second Air Force
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Commanding Officer,
Turner AFB
Dow AFB
Bergstrom AFB
3499th Mob Trng Wg
3497th Mob Trng Sq

A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:
John N. Todd, 2d Lt. USAF
for JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

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THE INTEGRITY OF THESE CREWS BE MAINTAINED PENDING DISPOSITION [illegible]

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FR THIS HQ. UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES W/ANY CR MBRS BE ASGD PERMANENT
DUTIES W/I THE AIR BASE GROUP THAT WILL PREVENT AN IMMEDIATE [illegible]
W/THEIR RESPECTIVE CREWS. IT IS ANTICIPATED THAT A DETERMINATION OF
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FM HQ USAF WASH DC

TO JESTU/CO TURNER AFB ALBANY GA

/R E S T R I C T E D/ FROM AFOOP-OC-C 59620 1. THIS IS A TELEGRAPHIC DAF MV DIR. 2. IT IS DESIRED THAT NECESSARY ORDERS BE PUBLISHED TO MOVE THE 551ST AVN SQ FROM SANDIA BASE, ALBUQUERQUE, N.M., TO TURNER AFB, ALBANY, GA. AT EPD BUT NLT 31 MAR 53. 3. THIS MOVE WILL CONSTITUTE A PCS. AFTER ARR AT NEW STATION THE UNIT WILL BE RELIEVED FROM ASSIGNMENT TO HQ COMD, USAF, AND ASSIGNED TO SAC EDCSA W/B COMPUTED IAW CURR PROCS. 4. MV W/B MADE IAW APPL PROV OF AFRS 75-2, 75-20 AND 75-38. MIL ACFT MAY BE USED 5. UNIT WILL MV WITH AUTH ORGNL EQUIP ON HAND AND OR IN STORAGE. 6. DATES OF DEPT AND ARR OF UNIT W/B REPORTED BY MEANS OF THE AFOSCR PAREN PRC AF-01 PAREN SPECIFIC REF IS DIRECTED TO PAR 12E, AFR 75-20. 7. ALL OPL INFO REGARDING THIS MV, THE SAFE-GUARDING OF WHICH IS NEC IN THE INTEREST OF NATL SCTY, W/B CLAS ACCORDINGLY AND TERMED "SCTY INFO." 8. IN ADD TO OTHER DISTR TWO(2) CYS OF MY ORDERS PUB W/B FURN DO, DCS/O, HQ USAF. 9. CITE PCS OPEN ALMT ACCOUNTING CLAS 5733500 - 48-301 P533-99 S99-999 FOR ALL PCS COSTS FR HOME STA IAW PROV OF AFM 172-1

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EXHIBIT NO. 3

HEADQUARTERS 40TH AIR DIVISION
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

SPECIAL ORDERS)
NUMBER 33)

6 Feb 53

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20. COL THAYER S OLDS 372A 40th ADiv Turner AFB Albany Ga will pro o/a 12 Feb 53 fr Turner AFB Albany Ga to Washington DC on TDY for aprx twenty-one (21) days rept to Dean J L JESSUP Rm 3 James Monroe Hall, G St NW between 21st and 22nd St Washington DC, 14 Feb 53 between 0800 hours and 2100 hours for the purpose of attending the Manpower Management crse at George Washington Univ DPUO and upon compl thereof will rtrn to Turner AFB Albany Ga. This is a crse of instr. Duration of crse three (3) weeks. TPA. Tvl time nec in excess of that required by common carr (ry) is two (2) days which is authd as delay e/r and chargeable as lv. Tvl vou w/b submitted to Fin O w/i five (5) working days upon compl of tvl. Disbg Off making pmt and TO issuing TR's, B/L and/or meal tickets against this order will fwd one (1) cy of this docu to CG AU Maxwell AFB Ala Attn Comptroller (SOl-605). Govt qrs and messing fac w/b utilized to max extent aval. COL OLDS is cleared for access to clasd mat up to and including TOP SECRET for the period of this TDY. Auth: AFR 35-52, 2AFR 35-8, Hq 2AF Ltr file 2AFPGB 352 dtd 8 Oct 52. TDN: 5733400 366-4673 F443-02-03-07 SOl-605.

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BY ORDER OF COLONEL OLDS:

OFFICIAL:

EDMOND L FORTIN
Major, USAF
Adjutant General

/s/ Thomas M MacGlothlin
/t/ THOMAS M MacGLOTHLIN
1st Lt., USAF
Asst Adj Gen

A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

John H. Todd, 2d Lt. USAF

JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

EXHIBIT NO. 4

HEADQUARTERS, 811TH AIR BASE GROUP
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

The sudden departure of your on temporary duty from this base has possibly created certain personal problems which may be difficult for you to solve without assistance or proper guidance. You may not fully understand pay allotments, legal or personal affairs matters, or, perhaps, you are not familiar with commissary and exchange facilities of various military installations.

I am vitally concerned with your welfare, irrespective of whether you reside in the vicinity of Turner Air Force Base or are now living in another locality. As you probably know, the services and facilities of all military installations may be available for your use. It is suggested that you write or contact me or my Personal Affairs Officer, or the Personal Affairs Officer nearest your home if you feel in need of any assistance.

A list of the facilities and services generally common to all military installations is attached for your information and guidance. I have instructed my staff to assist those dependents residing locally in every way possible. For those dependents residing in the vicinity of other installations, I have written to the Commanding Officer, attention Personal Affairs Officer of that installation requesting all available services be made accessible to you to the maximum extent practicable.

In order to fully implement our Dependent's Assistance Program without undue delay, it is necessary for me to use this means of communication. However, I want you to know that I recognize you as a member of our Air Force Family and I am interested in your well-being. If you feel that your problem requires my personal attention, please feel free to write me at any time. In addition, please keep my office informed of any change of your address.

Sincerely,

JOHN J. EASTON
Colonel, USAF
Commanding

1 Incl
List of Facilities available
to Dependents at most bases

EXHIBIT NO. 5

FACILITIES AVAILABLE TO DEPENDENTS AT HOST BASES

1. DEPENDENT MEDICAL CARE - The medical care that will be available will depend on the local facilities. The Base Hospital should be contacted to find out what is available. A prior appointment is usually required except in an emergency.

2. RELIGIOUS FACILITIES - If the services or counsel of a clergyman are needed contact the Base Chaplain. You are invited to attend chapel services at any time.

3. POST EXCHANGE AND COMMISSARY PRIVILEGES - Contact the Post Exchange Officer or the Commissary Officer. You are entitled to Commissary and PX privileges only if you are dependent upon the serviceman for your support.

4. RECREATIONAL FACILITIES (on availability basis) - Base Theatre, driving range swimming, etc., (these vary at different stations) contact the Personnel Services Officer.

5. AIR FORCE AID SOCIETY - The society may be contacted by dependent of Air Force personnel for assistance in emergency problems of a financial nature.

6. AMERICAN RED CROSS - Contact the Field Director or the civilian Red Cross facility nearest you. The Red Cross can usually furnish communication service of an emergency nature, assistance in obtaining government benefits and allowances, emergency medical needs and planning, and financial assistance in cases of delayed allotments or dependents assistance payments on the basis of needs.

7. COUNSELING IN PERSONAL AFFAIRS - Contact the Personal Affairs Officer for information concerning allotments, government or commercial insurance, or as initial point of contact on any matter referred to herein.

8. ADVICE ON LEGAL MATTERS - Contact the Base Legal Officer.

9. TRAVEL - If you decide to travel, the Commercial Transportation Officer will be available to advise you, whether travel is paid by the Government or at your own expense. In addition, the Commercial Transportation Officer will aid and advise in the shipment and storage of personal effects and household goods.

10. OFFICERS OR NCO CLUBS - If your husband is a member of an Officer's Club or an NCO Club, if you so desire, you may contact the president of the wives branch of the respective club.

11. BASE PASS - The Base Provost Marshal will furnish necessary passes for the Base. A copy of pertinent Special Orders may be required.

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HEADQUARTERS 811TH AIR BASE GROUP
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

SUBJECT: Assistance to Dependents of Air Force Personnel

TO:

1. Inclosed is a copy of a letter which was mailed to the family of a member of this base who is presently on temporary duty overseas. This family is now residing in the vicinity of your installation at the address shown.

2. This action is a part of our Dependents Assistance Program, designed to acquaint dependents with the services and facilities that are generally available to them at military installations and to assist them in solving any problems that arise due to the absence of the military member of the family.

3. I am vitally concerned with the welfare of dependents of Air Force personnel, particularly with reference to any factors which will assist in maintaining the high state of morale that now exists in this organization. Any assistance that you can render the named dependent, should your headquarters be contacted, will be greatly appreciated.

1 Incl
cc of ltr to dependent

JOHN J. [illegible]
Colonel, USAF
Commanding

EXHIBIT NO.6

HEADQUARTERS 811TH AIR BASE GROUP
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

BASE GS 729.3 12 March 1953

SUBJECT: Ground Accident Report for February 1953

TO: See Distribution

1. a. The number of reportable injuries to military personnel for February 1953 was six (6), the same as in January. The record for February is slightly below average as February is a short month. The injuries were distributed as follows:

Unit	On Duty	Off Duty	Total
31st Strategic Fighter Wing	1	2	3
508th Strategic Fighter Wing	0	0	0
811th Air Base Group	0	3	3
TOTALS	1	5	6

b. One accident, that to the 811th Air Base Group, caused three injuries. One of these was fatal. The cause was speeding.

2. a. The percentage of injuries should be below the percentage of assigned strength. Comparisons follow.

% of Injuries	Unit	% of Assigned Strength
50%	31st Strat Fighter Wing	24.49
0	508th Strat Fighter Wing	20.39
50%	811th Air Base Group	54.92

b. One injury from the 811th Air Base Group was reported too late to be included in February totals. It will be included in March totals. An airman will be confined to the hospital for a year. The injury was incurred while the airman, driving, was trying to pass a line of cars. The airman did not have room enough to pass and could not get back into line. The result was a head-on collision.

c. Accounts of two injuries from the 508th Strategic Fighter Wing were received too late to be included in February totals. They will be included in March totals.

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3. By types, injuries were as follows:

	Mtr Vehicle	Job	Altercation	Total
31st Strategic Fighter Wing	1	1	1	3
508th Strategic Fighter Wing	0	0	0	0
811th Air Base Group	3	0	0	3
TOTALS	4	1	1	6

4. There were no reportable civilian injuries during the month. There were two non-disabling injuries.

5. Two government motor vehicle accidents were reported, both charged to the 811th Motor Vehicle Squadron. The record was a poor one. Both accidents were preventable.

6. Accident Trends for February were:

Private Motor Vehicle
Altercation
Job

Motor vehicle driving continues as the greatest problem area. Prompt, decisive disciplinary action where the facts warrant it is needed to bring and keep the problem area under control. Job type accidents can be controlled by proper supervision and the use of protective equipment. Altercations are proper subjects for disciplinary action.

7. Costs and cost per capita (cost per man per month) based on assigned strength, civilian and military, are listed below.

	Cost of Accidents	Cost per Capita/Mo
31st Strategic Fighter Wing	$2,029.	$1.97
508th Strategic Fighter Wing	$ 49.	$0.06
811th Air Base Group	$32,326.	$13.05
TOTALS, Turner Air Force Base	$34,404	$ 7.86

BY ORDER OF COLONEL EASTON:

Joseph E Zuro

JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF
Asst Adjutant

DISTRIBUTION:
CO, 31st Strat Ftr Wg
CO, 508th Strat Ftr Wg
CO, All Asgd & Atchd Units, 811th AB Gp, TAFB, Ga

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STATISTICS FROM THE BASE RECRUITING OFFICE - FEB 1953

Following is a breakdown, by squadrons, of enlistments for the month of February 1953:

Headquarters Squadron, 811th Air Base Group	-	1
811th Food Service Squadron	-	1
811th Operations Squadron	-	4
811th Supply Squadron	-	1
309th Strategic Fighter Squadron	-	1
	Total	8

Three (3) applications were processed for Aviation Cadet during the month.

Two (2) applications for Officer Candidate School were processed during the month.

EXHIBIT NO. 8

SCHOOLS

Status of training with regard to schools - 811th Air Base Group - February 1953.

Airmen

Airmen attending schools as of 1 February 1953 285

Airmen departed for schools in February 83

Airmen returned from schools in February 33

Airmen attending schools as of 28 February. 335

Following is a breakdown, by course, of the airmen who departed for schools during the month of February 1953:

9 - Organizational Supply School, Ft. Francis E. Warren AFB, Wyo.

20 - Aircraft Mechanic Jet-Ftr School, Amarillo AFB, Texas

1 - Information and Education Course, Ft. Slocum, New York

2 - OJT on C-11 Instrument Trainer at Moody AFB, Georgia

1 - Crypto-graphic Machine Repairman Course, Francis E. Warren AFB.

4 - Aircraft Mechanic Jet Bomb, Sheppard AFB, Texas

1 - Armament Sys. Fund/"E" Series Sys Mech, Lowry AFB, Colorado

1 - Installer Cableman, Francis E. Warren, Wyo.

19 - Air Police School, Parks AFB, California

5 - Water Supply, Ft Belvoir, Virginia

1 - Gen. Drafting at Ft. Belvoir, Virginia

3 - Electronics Fund Course, Keesler AFB, Mississippi

6 - Basic Munitions at Lowry AFB, Colorado

9 - Supply Records at Francis E. Warren AFB, Wyo.

1 - Warehouse Supervisor, Francis E. Warren AFB, Wyo.

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Officers

Officers attending schools as of 1 February 1953 11

Officers departed for schools in February 1953..... 3

Officers returned from schools in February 1953..... 1

Officers attending schools as of 28 February 1953..... 13

Following is a breakdown, by course, of the officers who departed for schools during the month of February 1953:

1 - Supply Officer's Course, Lowry AFB, Wyo.

1 - Personnel Officer's Course, Scott AFB, Illinois

1 - Supply Officer's Course, Francis E. Warren AFB, Wyo.

STATISTICS FROM BASE CLASSIFICATION SECTION

The following number of personnel met the Classification Board during the month of February 1953:

Officers 12

Airmen (Basics & Retreads). . . 60

Airmen (Other) 167

Twenty (20) airmen were administered the AQE Test during the month of February, and twenty-one (21) were administered the Job Knowledge Test in February 1953.

Ten (10) airmen were administered the Airman Proficiency Test during the month, of which one (1) was in the 25 career field, two (2) were in the 75 career field, two (2) were in the 55 career field, two (2) were in the 77 career field, one (1) was in the 36 career field,

one (1) in the 72 career field, and one (1) was in the 95 career field.

Scores were received on tests given in January in the 36, 56, 72 and 83 career fields.

Draped in loud Indian war bonnets and tomahawks, chiefs and braves of the 31st Strategic Fighter Wing held an important counsel around the camp fire Saturday morning, marking the official opening of the Turner Flying Safety campaign for 1953. The event was the unveiling of the Flying Safety totem pole, and the occasion was timed to a T. Prior to the ceremony Wing officials received word from SAC headquarters that this air base had been judged the top station in the Strategic Air Command for Flying Safety during the month of January.

The base band was on hand with tom-tom music to greet the Wing and 811th Operations squadrons as they arrived in parade formation. Wing flying safety officers were decked out in feathers and indian costumes, lined up in front of a brightly painted teepee. The counsel scene was complete with a wood camp fire.

The chiefs arrived at 1105, not on mustangs, but in MG sports cars. Col. Robert P. Montgomery, 40th Air Division Operations boss, opened the ceremony.

He talked on the individual's responsibility as a member of SAC. He stressed the cost and necessary care of USAF fighter and flying equipment. The colonel called on every member present to talk, think and work for flying safety in 1953.

Col. William Dunham, Deputy CO of the 31st Wing, took the rostrum next, and his brief but "to the point" speech hit upon "Knowing Your Limitations." He told the airmen and officer audience it is better to find out how to do a thing right, than to be unsure and do it wrong. "Don't ever be too proud to admit you are wrong," he told the troops.

Base commander Col. John Easton followed Col. Dunham to the platform, and thanked every member of Turner for the co-operation and all-out effort in achieving the enviable flying safety record this base boasts. (April 11 will mark two aircraft accident free years at Turner).

Col. Easton urged Turner personnel to continue the job, and he requested even more safety consciousness in the future, when the Turner chapter of the SAC Aero Club moves its headquarters from the Albany Airport to a base hangar. **(See story this page).**

Col. Montgomery jerked the cord holding the totem pole covering, and closed the impressive program by exposing Turner Air Force Base at the top, and as the safest flying outfit in the Strategic Air Command.

Turner was followed by March AFB of Riverside, Calif., Biggs AFB of El Paso, Tex., Carswell AFB of Fort Worth, and Travis AFB, Calif.

EXHIBIT NO. 10

SAC Awards TAFB 1st "Base of Month" Safe Flying Trophy

At a brief ceremony held last Friday in 40th Air Division Headquarters Col. Frank W. Ellis, chief of Sac's Flying Safety Division presented Turner with the first "base of the month" trophy to be awarded to an SAC base for flying safely in the "SAfe Aircraft Campaign for 1953."

Col. David C. Schilling, acting division commander in the absence of Col. Thayer S. Olds, accepted the trophy. Others present at the ceremony included Col. Robert P. Montgomery, Division Operations Officer, Col. John J. Easton, Base Commander and Maj. Frank W. Klibbe, 31st Strategic Fighter Wing Flying Safety Officer.

The appropriately engraved trophy awarded permanently to Turner AFB, is one of 12 monthly trophies to be awarded during the "SAC for '53" campaign launched by General LeMay Jan. 1 and designed to make 1953 the safest flying year in Strategic Air Command history.

Turner scored 8,240 points to win the base of the month award for January. March AFB was second with 3,657 points and Biggs was third with 4,375 points.

EXHIBIT NO. 11

SCHEDULE FOR GROUND DEFENSE TRAINING
9 Feb 53 -- 16 Feb 53
1300 to 1500 HOURS DAILY

February 9. Base Defense Plans and Org. (Instructor - AB TngFlt) (two hours)

1.	General Plan and Mission and Defense Sectors	30 Min
2.	Defense Flight Org. & Mission	30 Min
3.	Support Flt Org. & Mission	30 Min
4.	Evacuation & Retrograde Movements	30 Min
	T.	2 Hrs.

February 10. Weapons (Instructor-AB Tng Flt)(Two hours)

1.	Nomenclature, Function, Care, Operation and Cleaning of the Carbine.	50 Min
2.	Malfunction, Stoppages and Immediate action	30 Min
3.	Sighting & Breathing	30 Min
	T.	2 Hrs.

February 11. Weapons and Individual Ground Combat Skills (Instructor: First hour, AB Tng Flt, Second hour-Air Police Sq) (Two hours)

1.	Tactical capabilities & limitation and tactical employment of the carbine	50 Min
2.	Movement	50 Min
	T.	2 Hrs

February 12. Individual Ground Combat Skills (Instructor - Air Police)(Two Hrs)

1.	Recognition and Use of cover and concealment, Observation and Fields of Fire.	50 Min
2.	Emplacements & Night Combat	50 Min
	T.	2 Hrs

February 13. Unit Ground Combat Operations (Instructor - Air Police) (Two Hrs)

1.	Fire team, Section and Defense Flt. Deployment	50 Min
2.	Defensive Positions and Counter attack	50 Min
	T.	2 Hrs

February 16. Unit Ground Combat Operations (Instructor - Air Police) (Two Hrs)

1.	Extended Order Drill	50 Min
		50 Min
	T.	2 Hrs.

TOTAL 12 Hrs.

EXHIBIT NO. 12

DATA ON BASE FLIGHT AIRCRAFT- FEB 1953

Airplane and Flying Time

T-6	65:00	T-11	5:50
C-47	282:30	T-7	2:30
T-33	164:00		

	T-6	C-47	T-33	T-7	T-11
Training	47:30	5:25	150:40	-	-
Administrative	17:15	277:15	12:20	2:30	5:50

Flying Time by Organization

	T-6	C-47	T-33	T-7	T-11
466th Strat-Ftr Sq	-	-	5:30		
467th Strat-Ftr Sq	-	12:25	-	-	-
468th Strat-Ftr Sq	-	-	4:10	-	-
307th Strat-Ftr Sq	-	21:50	106:15	-	-
308th Strat-Ftr Sq	54:40	33:10	77:05	-	-
309th Strat-Ftr Sq	4:55	87:20	81:10	-	-
100th Air Refuel Sq	2:00	105:00	2:00		
Base Flight	23:45	338:05	13:20	2:30	6:25

Total Flying Time by Type Aircraft.

T-6	85:20	T-7	2:30
C-47	595:50	T-33	289:30
T-11	6:25		

Instrument Time

T-6	8:40	T-7	--
C-47	154:20	T-33	85:45
T-11	--		

EXHIBIT NO. 13

DATA ON BASE FLIGHT AIRCRAFT - FEB 1953 (Cont'd)

Following are percentages of AFR 60-2 requirements completed by pilots assigned or attached to Base Flight for flying for the month of February 1953. Percentages are based on the annual requirements of 100 hours proficiency, 15 hours night and 20 hours hood and/or weather. Percentages based on 20 pilots present for duty.

Proficiency	81.2%
Night	73.6%
Hood and/or Weather	75.7%

Turner Tower processed one thousand, two hundred and ninety-six (1296) take-offs and landings, one hundred and thirty-five (135) practice VHF/DF steers and five (5) emergency VHF/DF steers during the month of February.

The Base Operations Dispatch Section processed three hundred and four (304) incoming flights, two hundred and seventy-nine (279) outgoing flights, one hundred and one (101) local flights and forty-three (43) round robin flights, which included Instrument Training flights, Operational Missions and Minimum Individual Training flights.

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PROJECTS BEING ADMINISTERED BY THE SAVANNAH

DISTRICT ENGINEERS AND AIR INSTALLATIONS - TURNER AFB, ALBANY, GA.

Savannah District Engineers Projects	Status
Fuel Storage and Distribution (Contract 1107)	99.8% complete
Oper Fuel Storage Tanks (Contract 1071)	99.5% complete
Ammunition Storage Igloos (Contract 1501)	98.5% complete
Administration Building (Contract 1512)	49.5% complete
General Purpose Warehouse (Contract No. 1515)	47% complete
Bulk Storage Tanks (Contract No. 1271)	99.8% complete
Railroad Extension to Warehouse (Contract 1689)	60% complete
Communications Building (Contract No. 1707)	11% complete
Air Installations Projects	
Installation of Regulators on Hot Water Heaters (28-52)	20% complete
Grading and Paving Between Apron & Security Fence (29-52)	100% complete
Construction of One Supply Warehouse (13-53)	96% complete
Construction of Paint and Dope Storage Building (14-53)	70% complete
Rehabilitation of Dental Clinic (17-52)	90% complete
Installation Attic Fans in BOQS (71-52)	65% complete
Installation Attic Fans in EM's Quarters (72-52)	65% complete
Installation Mastipave Floor Covering (1-53)	67 % complete
Construction of Lumber Shed (16-53)	35% complete

EXHIBIT NO. 14

HEADQUARTERS 811TH AIR BASE GROUP
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

BASE COMPT 11 February 1953

SUBJECT: Weekly Progress Report

TO: Commanding Officer
40th Air Division
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

1. The following report on the progress of the 811th Air Base Group for the week ending 8 February 1953 is submitted for your consideration.

a. Personnel:

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b. Materiel:

(1)

	6 Feb	6 Jan	Avg % for Mo Feb as of 6 February	Avg % for Mo Jan as of 6 January	Avg % for Mo of Jan
AOCP	9.5	5.5	10.8	5.3	5.4
ANFE	27.3	20.4	28.3	21.3	21.5

It is the opinion of the analyst that the continued regression in the AOCP and ANFE status is due mainly to an accumulation of AOCP's and ANFE's over a period of time from the daily AOCP and ANFE. This accumulation caused by low supply effectiveness existing at the Depots. If faster action as the supply of needed line items were accomplished by the Depots, our AOCP and ANFE percentages would drop considerably and remain at a continued low.

The following items are the critical items effecting condition stated above.

EXHIBIT NO. 15

Base Compt, Subject: Weekly Progress Report

Class	Stock Number	Nomenclature	Type A/C	No. A/C	No. of Days AOCP & ANFE
16A	1600-219997125	Receiver	T-33	7	5 AOCP
03F	4562-P1069	Mirror	F-84G	2	12 ANFE
0311	4890-870305	Compressor	F-84G	11	35
0311	4846-8U8005-51	Valve Assy	F-84G	4	58
0311	4890-840328	Cartridge Drier	8	8	
05G	2319-80J51GAD	Indicator	T-33	2	13
08G	8870-824000-555	Lamp	F-84G	1	35
11B	5200-465670	Induction Servo	F-84G	1	8

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s/t HENRY C. KELLEY
Major, USAF
Base Comptroller

A CERTIFIED TRUE EXTRACT COPY:

Jack H. Judd, 2nd Lt. USAF

JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

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HEADQUARTERS 811TH AIR BASE GROUP
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

BASE COMPT 26 February 1953

SUBJECT: Weekly Progress Report

TO: Commanding Officer
40th Air Division
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

EXTRACT

1. The following report on the progress of the 811th Air Base Group for the week ending 22 February 1953 is submitted for your information:

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b. Materiel:

	20 Jan	20 Feb	Avg % for Mo. Feb as of 20 Feb	Avg % for Mo. Jan as of 20 Jan	Avg % for Mo. of Jan
(1) AOCP%	8.2	7.0	8.9	5.2	5.4
ANFE%	19.4	17.2	23.3	19.6	21.5

It is still the opinion of the analyst that AOCP and ANFE status illustrated in the above table is due mainly to an abnormal accumulation of AOCP's and ANFE's.

The following items are those affecting condition stated above as of 20 February 1953:

Class	Stock Number	Nomenclature	Type A/C	No. A/C	Days AOCP
01L	1AIC-176953-3	Tube Assy	T-33	1	11
01L	1AIC-179909-4	Tube Assy	T-33	1	11
05G	2327-FA120-10	Fuel Gauge	T-7	1	10
08E	8850-400584	Connector	T-6	1	11
					Days ANFE
01L	1AIC-205851	Tube Assy	T-33	1	15
03C2	4271-A8002BC4	Switch	F-84G	1	12
0311	4890-870305	Compressor	F-84G	6	47
0311	4846-8U8005-51	Valve Assy	F-84G	5	68
0313	4829-MD1603	Valve Assy	F-84G	1	16
08E	8850-256853-54	Connector	F-84G	1	10

EXHIBIT NO. 16

Base Compt, Subject: Weekly Progress Report (Cont'd)

Class	Stock Number	Nomenclature	Type A/C	No. A/C	Days ANFE
08E	8850-361665-53	Connector	F-84G	1	10
11F	5200-265670	Induction Servo	F-84G	1	19

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s/t/ HENRY C. KELLEY
Major USAF
Base Comptroller

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JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

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HEADQUARTERS 811TH AIR BASE GROUP
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

BASE COMPT — 4 March 1953

SUBJECT: Weekly Progress Report

TO: Commanding Officer
40th Air Division
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

1. The following report on the progress of the 811th Air Base Group for the week ending 1 March 1953 is submitted for your reflection.

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b. Materiel:

(1)

	27 Feb	27 Jan	Avg % for Mo Feb as of 27 Feb	Avg % for Mo of Jan as of 27 Jan	Avg % For Mo of Jan
AOCP%	4.5	5.5	8.0	5.9	5.4
ANFE%	16.5	28.3	21.7	21.0	21.5

It is the opinion of the analyst that the accumulation of needed items is the major factor in effecting the ANFE percent of 16.5 for 27 February 1953.

The following items are those effecting condition stated above.

Class	Stock Number	Nomenclature	Type A/C	No. A/c	Days ANFE
0302	4271-A8002RC4	Switch	F-84G 288	1	16
0302	4202-AN3316-2	Relay	F-84G 237	1	12
0302	4235-555-3429	Switch	F-84G 252	1	6
0311	4890-870305	Compressor	F-84G 172-188-208-212-224-150	6	51
0322	486-8U8005-51	Valve Assy	F-84G-172-198-212-224-216	5	72
0312	4831-1327-522207	Cap	F-84G 244	1	7
0313	4829-MC1603	Valve Assy	F-84G 265-248	2	20
11B	5200-265670	Induction Servo	F-84G 199	1	23

EXHIBIT NO. 17

Base Compt, Subject: Weekly Progress Report

Items effecting condition stated above (cont'd)

Class	Stock Number	Nomenclature	Type A/C	No. A/C	Days ANFE
11B	5200-749830	Solenoid Assy	F-84G 172	3	7
16T	3380-294801540	Relay	F-84G 229	1	7

(2) Considerable improvement reflected in the VOCP and VOCM status for period ending 1 March 1953 as compared to period ending 31 January 1953. It should be noted, however, that there were fewer days in February and consequently fewer days lost VOCP and VOCM.

	Period Ending 31 Jan 53	Period Ending 1 Mar 53
VOCP Percent	2.0	0.8
VOCM Percent	1.3	0.5
VOC Percent	3.3	1.3

/s/t/ HICKS E. READ
2d Lt, USAF
Management Analysis

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HEADQUARTERS 40TH AIR DIVISION
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

SUBJECT: Red Cross Drive for 1953

TO: All Military Personnel
Turner Air Force Base

1. Please look at the following table, locate your grade and see what your pay for one day is. (These figures do not include allowances.)

	One Day's Pay Less Allowances
Colonel	$19.76
Lt. Colonel	15.81
Major	13.34
Captain	10.87
1st Lt	8.65
2nd Lt	7.41
WO, W-4	11.10
WO, W-3	10.09
WO, W-2	8.83
WO, W-1	7.31
M/Sgt	6.88
T/Sgt	5.86
S/Sgt	4.84
A/1C	4.08
A/2C	3.31
A/3C	2.86
A/B	2.60

2. Now, ask yourself "Can I spare one day's pay to help someone in distress?" You know and I know that the answer is "Yes."

3. Please give one day's pay to the Red Cross this year.

Sincerely,

/s/t/ THAYER S. OLDS
Colonel, USAF
Commanding

EXHIBIT NO. 18

C O P Y

HEADQUARTERS 40TH AIR DIVISION
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

TO: All Civilian Personnel
Turner Air Force Base

SUBJECT: Red Cross for 1953

I have addressed a letter to all military personnel of this base requesting them to contribute to the Red Cross during 1953. In my letter I have suggested that for military personnel the donation of one day's pay to the Red Cross is a reasonable contribution. In line with this personal aim for military personnel I earnestly request you to consider the same plan of giving to the Red Cross this year.

Sincerely,

s/t/ THAYER S. OLDS
Colonel, USAF
Commanding

A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
Headquarters United States Air Force
Washington 25, D. C.

AFOIN-1B4

14 January 1953

SUBJECT: Visit of Air Vice Marshal Elias Koutsoukos, Commanding General, Tactical Air Command, Royal Hellenic Air Force, and party, (Unclassified)

TO: Commanding Officer
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

E X T R A C T

1. VISIT. Air Vice Marshal Elias Koutsoukos, Commanding General, Tactical Air Command, Royal Hellenic Air Force, will head a group of Royal Hellenic Air Force Officers arriving in the United States on 24 January 1953 as guests of the USAF to tour certain USAF installations in conjunction with the provisions of the Mutual Security Program. The USAF Escort Officer is Major Emanuel N. Stevens, AO-2040711.

2. VISITING PARTY. Air Vice Marshal (Major General) Elias Koutsoukos, Commanding General, Tactical Air Command, Royal Hellenic Air Force; Squadron Leader (Major) George Pattas, Deputy for Plans, Tactical Air Command, RHAF; and Flight Officer (Lieutenant) Theodoros Mihael, Communications Officer, Tactical Air Command, RHAF. Biographical sketches, inclosure 2, are furnished for your information.

3. PURPOSE. Purpose of this tour is to assist the recipients of Mutual Security Act benefits in obtaining maximum utilization of material and equipment furnished under the provisions of this act by personal indoctrination with USAF methods pertaining to organization, equipment, training and operating procedures. Of particular interest to the visiting group at Turner AFB are the operating and maintenance of the F-84 aircraft. It is requested that appropriate briefings be arranged for the visitors to include related subjects as outlined above. Security clearance was forwarded by our message number AFOIN-55713, dated 2 January 1953.

4. USAF - RHAF RELATIONS. The current relationship between the USAF and the RHAF and the Government of Greece is considered to be excellent. The RHAF has definitely oriented itself toward the U.S. and has shown a decided preference for USAF equipment and doctrine. This orientation toward the U.S. is apparent at all levels of the RHAF including its Chief of Air Staff, Air Marshal Emanuel Kelaides.

EXHIBIT NO. 19

The recent return to power of Field Marshal Papagos and the Rally Party will, if anything, strengthen the present friendly relationship between the U.S. and the Greek Government, and current reports indicate that this new government will make no changes in the RHAF. It may further be added that the Greeks appreciate U.S. MDAP aid, and that very cordial relations continue to exist between JUSMAG, Greece and the RHAF.

5. TRAVEL. The itinerary is attached as inclosure 1. The escort officer will notify all bases as soon as practicable in advance if the time of arrival varies from the specified time on the itinerary. Travel will be by C-47 SAM aircraft.

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BY COMMAND OF THE CHIEF OF STAFF:

/s/ Andre J. Dechaene
/t/ ANDRE J. DECHAENE
Colonel, USAF
Chief, Foreign Liaison Branch
Dissemination Control Division
Directorate of Intelligence

A CERTIFIED TRUE EXTRACT COPY:

JOSEPH F. ZURO
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TURNER AIR FORCE BASE, ALBANY, GEORGIA

(SECOND AIR FORCE)

(STRATEGIC AIR COMMAND)

for

MARCH 1953

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CHRONOLOGY

2 March 1953 - Red Cross Drive opened.

15-17 March - 307th Strategic Fighter Squadron flew round-robin IFR flight to California.

18 March - Colonel Albert V. Kanig appointed Director of Materiel, 40th Air Division. Lieutenant Colonel George K. Sykes appointed Deputy Base Commander.

23 March - Assignment of 551st Aviation Squadron to Turner Air Force Base.

25 March - Conference at Headquarters SAC, in preparation for AFROTC encampments at Turner in June and July, 1953.

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I - ORGANIZATION AND ADMINISTRATION

The 40th Air Division and 811th Air Base Group were concerned with a number of significant organizational and administrative matters during the month of March. Among these were the assignment of the 551st Aviation Squadron to the 40th Air Division, initial preparation for the AFROTC summer encampment at Turner, and some important manpower matters.

On 16 March, the advance party of the 551st Aviation Squadron arrived at Turner. Word had been received in February that the unit would proceed on a PCS basis from Sandia Air Force Base, Albuquerque, New Mexico, to Turner not later than 31 March. The unit was to be relieved from assignment to Headquarters Command, USAF, and assigned to the Strategic Air Command. 1/ The main body of the 551st, composed of fifteen officers and 30 enlisted men, arrived at Turner by 31 March and was assigned to the 40th Air Division. 2/ The unit was given an area in the vicinity of the flight line, consisting of one barracks and two operations buildings. No housing problems were met, but the operations building will not be ready for use until later in the year.

1/ See History, 40th Air Division & 811th AB Gp, Feb 53, page 5.

2/ GO 14, Sec 11, Hq SAC, dtd 23 Mar 53. (See Exhibit No. 1)

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Upon notification that the base would be the site of two AFROTC summer encampments in June and July, Colonel Joe R. Williams, Division Director of Personnel, attended an AFROTC conference held at Headquarters Strategic Air Command, 25 March, to review the entire encampment program for the summer. Topics discussed included the training program, pay of cadets, administration of the cadets, support of the camp, and details of the cadets' orientation flights. 3/

The Base Manpower Officer attended a conference at Lockbourne Air Force Base during the month for the purpose of receiving information on the Management Improvement Program at Lockbourne which was to be initiated at all Second Air Force Bases. 4/ The Base Commander appointed a Management Program Committee to review the Lockbourne Program and submit recommendations for a Turner program.

The Manpower Office also received word that Headquarters Strategic Air Command had accepted the Second Air Force proposal that T-33 aircraft be considered tactical aircraft and included in mobility planning. In line with this, support personnel and equipment for maintenance of T-33 aircraft at Turner, presently assigned the 811th Operations Squadron were to be authorized and assigned to the tactical squadrons. Pending revision of Tables of Organization, 23 spaces were

3/ Interview with Division Personnel Director, 21 April 1953.

4/ TWX Msg, 2AFPLC 4059, Subj: Management Improvement Program at Lockbourne, dtd 3 Mar 53. (See Exhibit No. 2.)

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authorized as overage manning for the support of T-33 aircraft of the 31st Strategic Fighter Wing.

Certain changes in the T/DA's for the 31st Medical Group were forwarded to Headquarters Second Air Force for approval. These requested the augmentation of personnel presently authorized for "on base" medical service not normally encountered in tactical, medical, two-wing operation. An organization Manpower requirement and utilization survey was begun, 26 March, within the Base Transportation Section. This survey was beirg conducted to make recommendations on organizational or procedural chances which might lead to improving the accomplishment of the section mission in handling Courier Air cargo and all other cargo shipped by air.

The Base Manpower Board approved for adoption a program established by the Manpower Office to implement the current manpower austerity program which required that every position on Turner Air Force Base be surveyed in order to achieve the accomplishment of the mission with a minimum of personnel. The on-base program required that every organization would be held responsible for the submission of a position justification form for every authorized T/D-A position and for every authorized graded and ungraded civilian position. 5/

The Manpower Office also completed the preparation of the Fiscal Year 1955 Budget Estimate for Base Personnel Services on 3 March.

5/ Base MPO, ltr, 320, Subj: Justification of T/D-A Positions, dtd Mar 53. (See Exhibit No. 3)

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However, instructions from higher headquarters (Dept of Air Force Letter AFCMO-A, 10 Mar 53) amended previous instructions and necessitated revision of the entire budget preparation. The project was scheduled for completion in early April.

Several other matters commanded the attention of the 40th Air Division during the month. Division Operations monitored the round robin in-flight refueling mission of the 307th Strategic Fighter Squadron to March AFB, California, March 15-16. 6/ Personnel from the Air Force Training Command visited Turner March 16-17 for orientation in special maintenance procedures. They were briefed on organization, function and responsibilities of maintenance organization by section. Purpose of the visit was to assist personnel in the conversion of Training Command units to specialized maintenance. 7/

Word was received from higher headquarters that the SAC Regulation pertaining to sports car races was amended to provide for a new distribution of net proceeds for future races. Ten percent of the net proceeds were to go to the Air Force Aid Society and the remainder to the base holding the event. Contributions to local charities of ten per cent might be determined locally. The regulation was of pertinence here because of the prime interest in sports car racing, Turner having been the first base to hold a sports car race in the current program to provide funds for the improvement of airmen's

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6/ See below page 20.

7/ TWX Msg 2AFMMG 0892, dtd 12 Mar 53, (See Exhibit No. 4)

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living conditions. 8/

Finally, one significant addition was made to the staff of the 40th Air Division. Announcement was made, 18 March, of the appointment of Colonel Albert V. Kanig, as Director of Materiel, effective 1 February. 9/

8/ See below, page 29 for further discussion of Airmen's Living Improvement Fund.

9/ GO 11, Hq 40AD, Turner AFB, dtd 18 Mar 53. (See Exhibit No. 5)

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II - PERSONNEL

The Personnel Office was concerned with several interesting activities during the month of March. These included a number of changes in key personnel, preparation for the 1953 Operation "Safe Wheels" campaign for 1953, implementation of the USAF-wide Ten Point program for Character Guidance Councils,10/ preparation for new on-base elementary and high school classes, beginning of the summer change-over in athletics, and several routine personnel matters.

One major staff change was effected March 18 when Lieutenant Colonel George K. Sykes assumed the duties of Deputy Base Commander from Lieutenant Colonel John L. Wright, who was released from active duty. 11/ Before taking over as Deputy Base Commander, Colonel Sykes was Executive Officer following his arrival at Turner in January from Headquarters Strategic Air Command, where he had been Director of Intelligence. Major Henry C. Kelley, Base Comptroller, departed from Turner for duty with the United States Air Force in Europe, 12/ and Major Vernie G. Black assumed the duties of commanding officer of Headquarters Squadron Section, 811th Air Base Group, 13/ replacing Captain Joseph G. Guggino who

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10/ See below page 22.

11/ GO 6, Hq 811th AB Gp, dtd 18 Mar 53. (See Exhibit No. 6)

12/ SO 57, Hq 40th Air Div, TAFB, Ga. dtd 7 Mar 53. (See Exhibit 7)

13/ SO 45, Hq 811th AB Gp, TAFB, Ga. dtd 5 Mar 53. (See Exhibit 8)

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who departed for duty with FEAF.

The latter part of March saw the Base begin preparations for the coming Operation "Safe Wheels" campaign for 1953 to commence 1 May and continue for the 130 days period until 7 September. At a meeting held on 25 March, the Executive Ground Safety Council insured base-wide cooperation in the program by recommending the formation of a planning committee to consist of an officer and an airman from each unit on the base. The planning committee was to recommend an over-all plan for the Turner Operation "Safe Wheels" campaign not later than 8 April 1953. Following a review of the plan by the Executive Ground Safety Council, a monitoring committee was to be appointed to bring the plan into operation. This committee was to be composed of two officers from each Wing or Group and one officer from each attached unit. 14/ The planning phase of the program commenced with the publication of letter from the 40th Air Division Commander to all units on the Base, outlining the formation of the planning committee. 15/

The Personnel Services Office began intensive preparations for the seasonal athletic change-over. The base softball and baseball teams began work-outs during the month in anticipation of a full

14/ Minutes of Exec. Ground Safety Council, Hq 811th AB Gp, TAFB, Ga. (See Exhibit No. 9)

15/ Ltr, 40th AD, TAFB, Ga. Subj: Operation "Safe Wheels 1953", dtd 27 Mar 53. (See Exhibit No. 10)

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summer schedule of games. A horseshoe tournament commenced 24 March, and sixteen squadrons began formation of a base softball league. A pre-season tournament was scheduled to begin 13 April.

During March, Turner held an invitational Intra-mural Basketball Tournament. Seven teams--Turner, Lawson AFB, MacDill AFB, Eglin AFB, Moody AFB, Hunter AFB and Warner-Robins AFB---entered the tournament, which was won by Warner Robins. In addition, the Base Bowling League championships were held during the month.

The Personnel Services Office also organized an airmen's Service Club Advisory Committee to suggest ways and means of improving the Club. The Committee consisted of two airmen from each squadron. Participation in Service Club activities increased greatly during the first quarter of the year. In March, the total participation reached 5,678. The Base Library also reported considerable activity, and March saw an increase of 137 books. In accordance with SAC directives, a SAC Reading Shelf was set up in the Library and included books and periodicals on the Air Force and aeronautics generally, along with a file of magazine and newspaper articles on SAC and its mission. This reading shelf generated considerable interest among airmen and officers from the moment of its inception.

In the field of education, the on-base Elementary Group Study Classes for the current term ended 20 March, and the Education Office

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initiated plans to open the next classes 15 April. The Office also completed arrangements for high school classes to begin at the same time. Instruction at this level should qualify the majority of the enrollees for the high school level general educational development test, which, upon successful completion, will be the equivalent of a high school diploma. The Operation Bootstrap program, conducted through cooperation of Florida State University, progressed during the month. Attendance was not up to expectation, and as a result, the Education Office conducted a survey which revealed that approximately twenty per cent of existing absenteeism was caused by such factors as TDY, PCS, illness, and squadron duties. Steps were being taken to eliminate as many of these factors as possible.

In addition to assisting in preparing for the Operation "Safe Wheels" campaign for this year, 16/ the Ground Safety Office engaged in a number of other activities. During the month the Office wrote a regulation for the prompt reporting of completed action in cases of accidental injury where disciplinary action was warranted. The regulation urged strict accountability for safe driving practices, both for government and private motor vehicle operators. The Ground Safety Office felt that prompt corrective action was the key to the control of incidents involving altercations particularly.

The Office reported eight injuries to military personnel during March, although four of the injuries occurred in February and were reported this month. One of the accidents resulted in death and one in a 360-day injury. Both of these accidents were the result of

16/ See above, page 10.

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foolish and reckless driving. 17/ The accident trend for March revealed three main causes--private motor vehicles, barracks and home accidents, and altercations.

The Civilian Personnel Office reported little recruitment during the course of the month in view of the restrictions imposed by personnel ceiling requirements. During the month, however, information was received that the Turner civilian personnel ceiling for April, May, and June was to be set at 281 positions - 140 graded and 141 ungraded. This meant a reduction of five ungraded slots. A manpower meeting was held 27 March for the purpose of determining from which organizations the slots were to be taken. A wire message from higher headquarters emphasized that the desired ceiling should be reached by normal attrition rather than by a reduction in force.

The Personnel Office also performed several routine activities, including the testing program, classification actions, schools, 18/ and recruitment. 19/

17/ Ground Accident Report, March 1953. Hq 811th AB Gp, file GS 729.3, dtd 12 Apr 53. (See Exhibit No. 11)

18/ Historical Report, Base Pers. TAFB, File 314.7 (See Exhibit No. 12)

19/ Historical Report, Recruiting Office, dtd 3 Apr 53. (See Exhibit No. 13)

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III - MATERIEL

The Base Materiel Office was faced with several projects during the month, among which were preparation for the arrival of the 551st Aviation Squadron, preparation for the AFROTC encampment scheduled for June, a survey of motor vehicle utilization at Turner, and a number of building projects. In addition, the Office was faced with a continuing AOCP and ANFE problem.

Upon receipt of news that the 551st Aviation Squadron was to be permanently stationed at Turner, 20/ the Materiel Office began preparation of an area to house and maintain them. One barracks and two operations buildings were readied. Because of a prior Budget Department order, however, the operations buildings were not fully prepared, and by month's end word was still awaited to continue work. Upon arrival, the 551st was supplied with their necessary supply requirements.

The Base Materiel Office also made preparations to house and maintain the AFROTC personnel during the summer encampments here in June and July. 21/ Barracks were prepared and one wing of the NCO mess hall was being rehabilitated to handle the cadets' messing requirements. Action was also taken to supply the AFROTC cadets with personal equipment and clothing; supplies were stored so that

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20/ See above, page 4.

21/ See above, page 5.

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the personnel would have immediate access to them as soon as they arrived at Turner. 22/

The vehicle utilization problem which has afflicted Turner for several months drew the concerted attention of the Base Materiel Office. On 1 March all vehicles in the motor pool were grouped according to type. Those vehicles of each type which were called for were utilized throughout the month, with the remainder held in reserve should the need arise for them. The motor pool was directed to send whatever vehicle was available at the time of request; that is to say, if a request were made for a ½-ton vehicle at a time when no ½-ton trucks were available, the motor pool was ordered to send a vehicle of some other type. In addition, the Base Transportation Section emphasized to each user that vehicles called for were to be utilized. The result of the actions taken was that the rate during the month of March was considerably higher than the rates for the previous months, although it remained under the SAC standard.

The bugaboo of slow supply action by the depots continued to haunt the base as reflected in the AOCP and ANFE percentages, although there was considerable improvement during the first half of the month. The situation was similar to that of the month of February. 23/ However, as of 6 March there was an overall improvement over the same period for February. 24/ It was the opinion of the Base Comptroller

22/ Interview with Base Materiel Officer, 22 Mar 53.

23/ Base Compt, ltr, Subj: Weekly Progress Rpt, dtd 4 Mar 53. (See Exhibit No. 14)

24/ Base Compt, ltr, Subj: Weekly Progress Report, dtd 12 Mar 53. (See Exhibit No. 15)

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that "faster action if possible would effect even greater improvement." 25/ Continued improvement was revealed in the AOCP and ANFE percentage for 13 March, due to faster action from the depots. 26/ By 27 March, however, a regression in the AOCP status had set in, as compared to the status of 27 February. Again, it was felt that slow supply action was the main cause for the abnormal AOCP and ANFE rates. 27/

There was a general regressive trend in the VOCM and VOCP status during the month of March. The Base Comptroller found that low supply effectiveness was the cause of the trend throughout the month. 28/ The VOCP was 7.0, and VOCM 5.0.

Considerable progress was made throughout the month on a number of special building projects at Turner Air Force Base. 29/ Six projects were completed, including the Refueling and Bulk Storage System, one Supply Warehouse, the Paint and Dope Storage Building, the rehabilitation of the Dental Clinic, installation of attic fans in the BOQs, and installation of mastipave floor covering in the Airmen's Barracks. Several other projects were better than 90 per cent

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25/ Base Compt, ltr, Subj: Weekly Progress Report, dtd 12 Mar 53. (See Exhibit No. 15)

26/ Base Compt, ltr, Subj: Weekly Progress Report, dtd 18 Mar 53, (See Exhibit No. 16)

27/ Base Compt, ltr, Subj: Weekly Progress Report, dtd 1 Apr 53. (See Exhibit No. 17)

28/ Base Compt, ltr, Weekly Progress Reports, dtd 18 Mar 53 and 1 Apr 53. (See Exhibits Nos. 16 and 17)

29/ Projects Administered by Savannah District Engineers and AIO, Hq TAFB, Albany, Ga. (See Exhibit No. 18)

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complete by month's end. These were the Fuel Storage and Distribution System which was 99.8 per cent complete; the construction of Ammunition Storage Igloos, 98.8 per cent complete; and the installation of attic fans in the Airmen's barracks, 92 per cent complete.

Other important projects were well along the road to completion. The railroad extension to the new Supply Warehouse was 86 per cent complete, the General Purpose Warehouse, which will house Base Supply, was over half finished; and the new Administration Building was 58.1 per cent complete. Completion of this building was set for 15 June 1953, and will house the 40th Air Division and 811th Air Base Group Headquarters.

Other projects under construction included a new Communications Building, which by the end of the month was 18.7 per cent complete, and a lumber shed which was 35 per cent complete. The Installations Office also was planning to begin work on fire ladders and landings, several automatic fire alarm systems, and the rehabilitation of the doors of Hangar No. 1.

Base Supply also reported that the new control tower was 64.7 per cent complete by the end of the month. Supply anticipated completion of the tower in the near future, pending receipt of necessary requirements.

With the completion of the new Supply Warehouse, Supply was ready to move stock in the 34 and 40 classes from the Quartermaster warehouse where they are now housed. This was the first move in a general movement

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of supplies from old facilities into a new supply area under construction. The anticipated opening of the new Base Exchange Beer Garden in the old NCO Club Annex was delayed during the month because of major rehabilitation work necessary on the building. Opening of the Garden was scheduled for April.

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IV - OPERATIONS AND TRAINING

The Operations and Training Office was particularly active during the month of March in the reconstruction of the Base Defense and Central Security System. Through cables already laid and buried runs the defense line from Base Radio to the Receiver Site, and the line connecting the Training Flight and Fire Station No. 1 with the Small Arms Range.

In further rehabilitating the Defense System during the month, the Wire Maintenance Section installed one and one-half miles of five conductor cable. One cable line extended from the Fire Station to a terminal box in the vicinity of the Main Gate, and a second five-pair rubber covered cable was laid and buried along with the first in order to provide future additional capacity. As additional cable is received for the Central Security System, the Wire Section will extend the buried spare cable. The circuits are completely cut over through these cables from the defense switchboard to Air Installations Office, and from the switchboard to the main gate and the motor pool.

The new buried cable replaces the circuits which originally ran through field wire along the fence. It was here that the Wire Maintenance Section ran into considerably difficulty. In the past, as field wires shorted out due to defective wire, they were not removed when new wire was installed to replace them. As a result,

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nineteen pairs of field wire was strung along the fence, with only seven of these in use. The Wire Section made a consistent effort to remove the wire, but were hampered by a rather serious shortage of personnel. Although two men from the Base Radio Section had been assigned to help carry the load of the Wire Section, most of the time was spent in maintaining field telephones and in repairing broken and damaged lines now in service. A power-driven reel unit was requisitioned to help in picking up the old lines, and this should aid in finally clearing the base of useless and unsightly wire. 30/

The Base Communications Center was also involved in several maintenance and construction projects. During the month, the Center surveyed the telephone requirements for the new headquarters building. The survey was made to determine the quantity and type of communications equipment to be used in order that the requirements could be coordinated with the local telephone company. In addition, the Center made considerable progress on the construction of additional outside telephone booths.

In the field of training, the Air Base Training Flight gave Atomic, Biological and Chemical Warfare training to 320 airmen during the month. The range section of the Flight fired 628 airmen with the carbine, 60 officers with the caliber .45 pistol, 34 airmen with the submachine gun and 18 officers with the .38 revolver. Primary Management Training was given to 28 airmen and five civilians. In addition,

30/ Personal interview with Wire Maintenance Officer, supplemented by Wire Section historical report.

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the Flight trained and tested four officers in Morse Code.

Base Flight aircraft flew a total of 624 hours during the month without accident. 31/ The Turner Tower processed 1362 take-offs and landings during the month. The AFR 60-2 requirements completed by pilots assigned or attached to Base Flight were: proficiency, 93 percent; night 90 per cent, and hood and/or weather, 90 per cent.

The Division Operations Office was concerned during the month with coordinating matters pertaining to the gunnery training of the 308th Strategic Fighter Squadron of the 31st Wing. The squadron left 2 March for Matagorda Island off Texas for a 30-day training mission consisting of qualifying runs on both ground and air targets, and dive and skip bombing practice. In addition, the Office monitored the round-robin in-flight-refueling mission of the 31st Wing's 307th Squadron to March AFB, California, March 15-16. Although an assault on existing long distance speed records was contemplated, high winds over Texas and poor weather over Turner stymied the attempt. The twelve participating planes were refueled over Texas from tankers sent from Lockbourne AFB, Ohio. Save for the high winds encountered over Texas, which materially reduced ground speed, the flight was without incident, and considered most successful. 32/

31/ Base Ops, TAFB, Section History, March 1953, File Base Ops 314.7, (See Exhibit No. 19)

32/ Base Newspaper, Fighters Information, 20 March 53. (See Exhibit No. 20)

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The Base continued its concerted effort to implement the Strategic Air Command's "SAC for '53" (Safe Aircraft for 1953) campaign. Major Frank W. Klibbe, flying safety officer of the 31st Strategic Fighter Wing, was chosen the outstanding flying safety officer in SAC during the month of February for his outstanding work in accident prevention work on the base. 33/ The Base Flying Safety Committee picked the first three winners of the SAC for '53 safety slogan contest, and three airmen were awarded all-expense-paid trips to Republic Aviation plant in New York. 34/

33/ Base Newspaper, "Fighters Information," 3 April 53. (See Exhibit No. 21)

34/ Base Newspaper, "Fighters Information," 27 Mar 53. (See Exhibit No. 22)

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V - MORALE

Mr. Wayne R. Shields, Regional Representative of the Office of Community Services, Department of the Air Force, Washington, D. C., in early February visited Turner to present the ten-point program which is being implemented throughout the Air Force to further strengthen the Character Guidance Program during 1953. The ten ideas prepared by the Air Force Character Guidance Council, Headquarters USAF, was intended as a guide for subordinate commanders in developing their own specific character guidance activities and projects. The ideas, projected by the Character Guidance Council, included (1) a full-fledged sports program; (2) off-duty education program; (3) a thought-for-the-week program; (4) letters to parents from unit commanders on newly-assigned personnel; (5) the utilization of community assistance to promote individual development; (6) visits to the sick in the station hospital; (7) service club and hobby programs; (8) health education; (9) go-to-church-on-Sunday campaign; and (10) a base beautification plan. 35/

Local implementation of point 5--the utilization of community assistance to promote individual development--proved valuable. Although the efforts of the base and of Mr. Shields did not result in a wholesale acceptance of the program suggested, the local community began to cooperate in an organized way to assist in this phase of the

35/ Interview with Personnel Services Officer, 10 Apr 53.

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Character Guidance Program. 36/ Work began in the fall of 1952 to revitalize the community relations program. At that time Mr. Shields working with Turner officers presented a proposed plan of reorganization of the Albany Armed Forces Recreation and Service Committee of the Military Affairs Committee. The plan, presented to the Mayor, the city commissioners, and other leading prominent citizens, envisioned a committee made up of subordinate groups consisting of service clubs, fraternal organizations, business, cultural, church and women's groups. Once they were apprised of its purpose and scope, city and community officials heartily endorsed the plan which was thereupon put into effect. One important item in the plan, however, was shelved. Mr. Shields and Turner officers urged that the city set up a Community Services coordinator, whose salary was to be paid from community funds. It was suggested that the money be raised from the Dougherty Solicitation Fund, the local Red Feather Agency, inasmuch as Turner personnel contributed heavily. Unfortunately, this Fund had been considerably under-subscribed during the 1953 drive, and no money was available for the purpose of setting up a Coordinator. The Chamber of Commerce was then approached, but here again, lack of funds prevented the carrying out of the program. Mr. Shields made several visits throughout the latter part of 1952 and the early part of this year, and urged city officials to set up the Coordinator's office. As of this month, the plan was still tabled, although city officials and other prominent

36/ Interview with Personnel Services Officer, 15 April 1953.

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personages in the community were wholeheartedly in agreement that a Coordinator should be appointed.

Despite this stumbling block to the fulfillment of the Community Services Plan, much good came from the revitalized program in Albany. Two new USO buildings--one for white, one for colored personnel--were built and a full schedule of activities was instituted at both clubs. The Armed Forces Recreation and Services Committee also cooperated with the Base on numerous other occasions, not the least of which was providing for housing and messing of entertainment groups who came to Turner to entertain personnel here.

In the field of community relations, the Personnel Services Office, upon the suggestion contained in the Character Guidance Program, had completed a base-wide Off-Duty Activities Card Register, purpose of which was to simplify the determination of individual interests in and desires for free-time opportunities. This provided the basis for such information as recreational, hobby, cultural and sportsman interests, social, fraternal and family interests, religious, church and synagogue, interests, and athletic interests. From this information it was relatively easy to cooperate with such civilian activities as cultural programs, sons-in-service programs, religious activities, and community athletics. In this respect, Turner was already cooperating with the local community in providing speakers on military topics, sending military personnel to the weekly dinner meetings of local civic and service clubs, participating in local athletic leagues, such

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as the fast pitch softball and bowling leagues.

In order to familiarize Turner personnel with recreational, social, religious and cultural facilities both on the base and off, the Information Services Office was preparing an activities map to be placed in all orderly rooms and day rooms. The preparation of an information booklet on Turner and Albany, Georgia, was also being discussed. The Albany, USO Clubs and the YMCA as well as church and other groups were cooperating with Turner in providing recreational and social activities for base personnel. Likewise, Junior Hostess organizations from Tifton and Albany, Georgia, were participating in on-base social activities at the Service Club. 37/

The Go-To-Church-on-Sunday program was being prepared by the Chaplain's Office, and was to commence with the Easter Sunday services in April. The plans called for the sponsorship of one Sunday service by each unit stationed at Turner, and base-wide publicity, headed up by the Chaplain's office, was being given to the program. In keeping with the spring weather, a base beautification program began in March with each unit setting out shrubs and flowers, and generally beautifying their squadron areas.

Outstanding at Turner in the entire field of character guidance were the hobby shop facilities. The base boasted a complete automotive and woodworking shop completely staffed with trained mechanics to assist personnel in overhauling their automobiles and in woodcraft

37/ For further information on Service Club, see above, page 11.

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work. In addition, Turner recently opened a small crafts shop for personnel interested in photography, leather work, ceramics and kindred activities. In addition, the Personnel Services Office maintained an area on the base consisting of a boat dock, complete with boats, outboard motors, and fishing equipment for the use of personnel desiring to take advantage of the Flint River which skirts the installation. In conjunction with this facility, the Office also maintained a picnic grounds with barbecue pits and a children's play area.

In reviewing other ideas, it was found that Turner had already implemented a goodly portion of them. A well-rounded sports program had been underway for a number of years, with each year seeing more active participation in intra-mural athletics, as well as interest in base-wide teams. The Personnel Services Office was already well into the preparation for a seasonal change-over from winter-type sports to spring and summer athletic activities. 38/ Turner participated actively in the Southeastern Conference tournaments, competing against teams from throughout Georgia, Florida, Aalbama, and Mississippi. With respect to intra-mural sports, the Personnel Services Office was conducting a survey of noted Big-Ten university programs with a view to installing such a program at Turner. The survey was expected to be completed in April.

With respect to off-duty educational programs the Turner Education Office was currently conducting the second semester of the Operations

38/ See discussion above, page 10.

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Bootstrap college courses under the direction of Florida State College, Tallahassee, Florida. On 15 April, the Education Office will conduct both High School and Elementary School Group Study classes. 39/

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VI - SPECIAL PROJECTS

The month of March ushered in the 1953 Red Cross campaign, and the month-long drive on the base netted the organization a total of $2908.19. Base-wide, this was a per-capita contribution of .998 cents. A further breakdown reveals that the 811th Air Base Group donated .958 cents per man and the 31st Strategic Fighter Wing gave $1.06 per man. Other contributions came from the Officers and NCO wives' clubs. 40/ The drive commenced with an appeal by the Division Commander to support the work of the Red Cross. This was followed by publicity in the base newspaper, and over the two weekly radio programs sponsored locally by Turner. Team captains were selected in each squadron to contact each man in the organization. Pledges were asked, and a concerted effort made to follow up on the pledges. The work of the Red Cross was brought closer to home during the month when it was learned that the organization had materially assisted one of the members of the 508th Strategic Fighter Wing, on duty with the FEAF, to reach the bedside of his child who had been stricken with polio.

In conjunction with the campaign, the Red Cross conducted a First Aid Training Course for instructors. The course was conducted for a five-day period and consisted of 18 hours standard first aid, four hours civil defense work, 12 hours advanced first aid, and 15

40/ Interview with Turner Red Cross Drive chairman.

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hours of instructor training techniques. Two Non-Commissioned Officers from each organization in the 40th Air Division attended the course.

The Division Commander held a meeting of the Turner Airmen's Living Improvement Fund Council 41/ on 10 March. Discussion centered around the expenditure of the 45,000 raised by the first annual Sowega National Sports Car Races, held at Turner, 25 October 1952. 42/ Of this total $5,000 were set aside to cover possible amusement tax charges, since it had not been decided whether the admission price was taxable. An additional 10,000 was retained to cover expenses for this year's Sports Car Races. The remaining $30,000 were to be utilized in the improvement of the airmen's living conditions on the base. At the present time, the two suggestions receiving the most serious consideration are the building of a picnic pavilion and the expansion of the base hobby shop. This resulted from the elimination of several prior suggestions from consideration. The first suggestion, the spending of approximately $20,000 to construct an airmen's open mess was rejected by higher headquarters on the grounds that it would be difficult to maintain it financially. The golf course was rejected because of the heavy work load of the Air Installations Office. Other suggestions,

41/ SO 35, Hq 811th AB Gp, 17 Feb 53. (See Exhibit No. 22)

42/ Base Newspaper, "Fighters Information," 20 Mar 53. (See Exhibit No. 23)

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made on the basis of a survey among 31st Wing personnel, were turned down for various reasons.

Despite obstacles, however, several improvements are being made or contemplated. The Service Club was to be enlarged, and work was already under way to construct a beer garden in the former NCO Club annex.

During the month, the Turner Aero Club which had been operating at the Albany Airport, moved its operations to the base. The club's four planes were temporarily housed in Hangar No. 1, prior to the erection of shelters. At present, the active membership of the club is 61 persons. The club drew up a Base Standard Operating Procedure for take-off and landings on Turner. Practice flying will be conducted over other areas.

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VII - ROSTER OF KEY PERSONNEL

Headquarters 40th Air Division

As of 1 March 1953

Colonel Thayer S. Olds	Division Commander
Colonel Joe R. Williams	Director of Personnel (Prim dy) Executive Officer (Add dy)
Colonel Robert P. Montgomery	Director of Operations
Lt. Col. Lawrence J. Pickett	Operations Staff Officer
Major Harry P. Wagner	Operations Staff Officer

811th Air Base Group

As of 1 March 1953

Colonel John J. Easton	Commanding Officer
Lt. Col. John L. Wright	Deputy Commanding Officer
Lt. Col. George K. Sykes	Executive Officer
Major Edmond L. Fortin	Base Adjutant
Major William H. Milnor	Base Personnel Officer
Lt. Col. Fred L. Houck	Base Manpower Officer
Lt. Col. Chester M. Campbell	Base Materiel Officer
Lt. Col. Chester M. Conrad	Base Operations and Training Officer
Major John S. Dennis	Staff Judge Advocate
Major Henry C. Kelley	Base Comptroller
Captain L. O. Savage	Base Information Services Officer

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Roster of Key Personnel, 811th AB Gp, as of 1 Mar 53, (Cont'd)

Major (Chaplain) Luther W. McArthur	Base Chaplain
Major Melford A. Loeffler	CO, 811th Supply Squadron
Major Johnnie P. Harlow	CO, 811th Air Police Squadron
Captain Frank D. Furlow	CO, 811th Installations Squadron
Captain Henry A. Blood	CO, 811th Motor Vehicle Squadron
Captain Charles W. McRae	CO, 811th Food Service Squadron
Captain Joseph G. Guggino	CO, Headquarters Squadron Section, 811th Air Base Gp

Headquarters 40th Air Division

As of 31 March 1953

Colonel Thayer S. Olds	Division Commander
Colonel Joe R. Williams	Director of Personnel (Prim dy) Executive Officer (Add dy)
Colonel Robert P. Montgomery	Director of Operations
Colonel Albert V. Kanig	Director of Materiel
Lt. Col. Lawrence J. Pickett	Operations Staff Officer
Major Harry P. Wagner	Operations Staff Officer

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Lt. Col. George K. Sykes	Deputy Commanding Officer
Major Edmond L. Fortin	Base Adjutant
Major William H. Milnor	Base Personnel Officer

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Roster of Key Personnel, 811th Air Base Group, as of 31 Mar 53 (Cont'd)

Lt. Col. Fred L. Houck	Base Manpower Officer
Lt. Col. Chester M. Campbell	Base Materiel Officer
Lt. Col. Chester M. Conrad	Base Operations and Training Staff Officer
Major John S. Dennis	Staff Judge Advocate
Major (Chaplain) Luther W. McArthur	Base Chaplain
Captain L. O. Savage	Base Information Services Officer
1st Lt. Harold E. Henderson	Base Comptroller
Lt. Col. Chester M. Conrad	CO, 811th Operations Squadron
Major Melford Loeffler	CO, 811th Supply Squadron
Major Johnnie P. Harlow	CO, 811th Air Police Squadron
Captain Henry A. Blood	CO, 811th Motor Vehicle Squadron
Captain Charles W. McRae	CO, 811th Food Service Squadron
1st Lt. Richard W. Orr	CO, 811th Installations Squadron
Major Vernie G. Black	CO, Headquarters Squadron Section, 811th Air Base Gp

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Offutt Air Force Base, Omaha, Nebraska
23 March 1953

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SECTION II

ASSIGNMENT OF 551ST AVIATION SQUADRON.--1. Effective 19 March 1953, the 551st Aviation Squadron is relieved from assignment to Headquarters Command, USAF, is assigned to the Strategic Air Command, and further assigned to the 40th Air Division with station at Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia.

2. The Commanding General, 40th Air Division, may attach the above unit to another unit under his control in accordance with SAC Reg 20-4, 12 March 1953.

3. The 551st Aviation Squadron is currently organized under Part II, T/O 1-1963, 1 December 1952, with an authorized strength of 12 officers, 3 warrant officers, and 33 airmen.

4. Authority: Message, Hq USAF, AFOOP-OC-C 58620, 25 February 1953, and AFR 20-62.

BY COMMAND OF GENERAL LeMAY:

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Brigadier General, USAF
Chief of Staff

GLENN P. NELL
Colonel, USAF
Adjutant General

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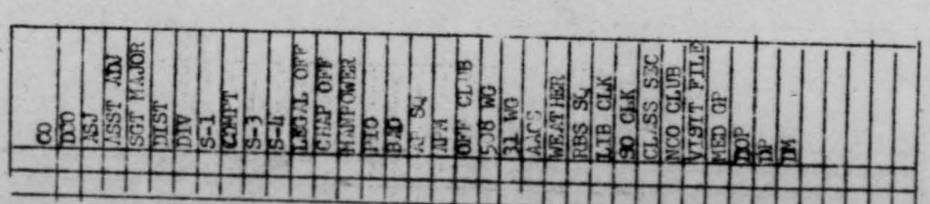
1st Lt., USAF

EXHIBIT NO. 1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HEADQUARTERS 40TH AIR DIVISION
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

BASE MPO 320

SUBJECT: Justification of T/D-A Positions

TO: See Distribution

1. The current manpower austerity program requires that every possible on Turner Air Force Base be surveyed in order to achieve the accomplishment of our mission with a minimum of personnel. Your cooperation is necessary for the success of this austerity endeavor.

2. Every organization within the 40th Air Division is, therefore, held responsible for the submission of a position justification form (inclosed herewith) for every authorized military T/D-A position and for every authorized graded and ungraded civilian position. It is recommended that the preparation of the position justification be delegated to officers who supervise these positions.

3. If two (2) or more positions assigned to the same unit possess an identical section code, grade, AFSC number, and require substantially the same duties, one justification report may be submitted to cover the several positions.

4. Positions which are not adequately justified will be deleted from the organization's T/D-A. Essentiality of military positions and civilian positions, graded or ungraded, will be listed in priority. The existing job description will satisfy this requirement providing the duties outlined therein are being performed.

5. An organizational chart, showing all T/O and T/D-A positions, will be attached to the position justification reports being submitted.

6. The position justification reports will be forwarded to arrive at the Base Manpower and Organization Section, Building 2111, not later than 17 April 1953.

BY ORDER OF COLONEL OLDS:

/s/ John H. Johl
for THOMAS M. MacGLOTHLIN
1st Lt., USAF
Asst. Adj Gen.

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Position Justification Form.

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ZATION, FUNCTION AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF MAINT ORG BY SECT AND VISIT UNDER ESCORT TO VARIOUS OPERATING FUNCTIONS. TDY ORDERS WILL INCLUDE SECURITY CLEARANCE. PART 2 FOR CG 40 AD. EVERY EFFORT SHOULD BE MADE TO ASSIST IN THE TRAINING OF KEY PERSONNEL LISTED BELOW IN CONVERSION OFTRAINING COMMAND UNITS TO SPEC MAINT. AUTH FOR ORIENTATION VISITS IN ACCORD WITH WISHES CG SAC. DEY PERS: LT COL HARD MOORES, CWO PAULE MAIN,

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EXHIBIT NO. 4

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HEADQUARTERS 40TH AIR DIVISION
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

GENERAL ORDERS)
NUMBER 11)

18 March 1953

1. Announcement is made of the appointment of COLONEL ALBERT V KANIG A0463191 Headquarters 40th Air Division as Director of Materiel effective 1 February 1953.

BY ORDER OF COLONEL MONTGOMERY:

OFFICIAL:

EDMOND L. FORTIN
Major, USAF
Adjutant General

THOMAS M. MacGLOTHLIN
1st Lt., USAF
Asst. Adj. Gen.

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EXHIBIT NO. 5

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HEADQUARTERS 811TH AIR BASE GROUP
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

GENERAL ORDERS) 18 March 1953

NUMBER 6)

1. Announcement is made of the appointment of LIEUTENANT COLONEL GEORGE K SYKES 9763A Headquarters 811th Air Base Group as Deputy Base Commander vice LIEUTENANT COLONEL JOHN L WRIGHT AO 424787.

BY ORDER OF COLONEL EASTON:

OFFICIAL:

EDMOND L. FORTIN
Major, USAF
Adjutant

/s&t/ THOMAS M. MacGLOTHLIN
1st Lt., USAF
Asst Adj.

A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

EXHIBIT NO. 6

HEADQUARTERS 40TH AIR DIVISION
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

SPECIAL ORDERS) 7 Mar 53

NUMBER 57)

E X T R A C T

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5. MAJ HENRY C KELLEY A0568868 (PAFSC 0056B)(W)(M)(AFRes)(PSSD 4 Sep 45)(DOS Indef) is reld fr asgmt and dy Hq 811th AB Gp (SAC)(2AF) Turner AFB Albany Ga and asgd 2266th Pers Processing Sq 2225th Pers Processing Gp Cp Kilmer NJ rept NLT 9 Apr 53 for further asgmt to USAFE against pg 1 LN 3 USAFE Mar 53 Rqmt(12AF Proj 62B). Depns will not accompany nor join pers at Cp Kilmer NJ. AFM 35-6 w/b complied with and immunizations dird therein w/b accomplished im. TPA w/four (4) days tvl time authd if privately owned conveyance is used but if not tvl time w/b the time of the common carr used. Tvl by mil/coml acft, coml ry, and/or bus authd. Concurrent tvl of depns not authd. Os shpmt of veh authd IAW AFR 75-59. Twenty-six (26) DDALVP. Lv address N Rose St Burbank Calif. WP. PCA. PCS. EDCSA: 9 Apr 53. Auth: AFR 35-59, TWX 2AF1EA 1789 dtd 25 Feb 53. TDN: 5733500 348-341 P533(5)-02-03-07 S99-99.

All mail w/b addressed to show gr, name, AFSC, Off Casual Section 2266th Pers Processing Sq Cp Kilmer NJ.

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BY ORDER OF COLONEL SCHILLING:

OFFICIAL:

EDMOND L FORTIN
Major, USAF
Adjutant General

/s/ Thomas M MacGLOTHLIN
1st Lt, USAF
Asst Adj Gen

A CERTIFIED TRUE EXTRACT COPY:

JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

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_____cys for immediate delivery to_____
referred to in par_____or prompt rtrn to Hq 811th AB Gp

HEADQUARTERS 811TH AIR BASE GROUP
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

5 March 1953

SPECIAL ORDERS)
NUMBER 45)

1. MAJ VERNIE G BLACK A0573956 Hq 811th AB Gp this sta is reld fr dy with Base Pers Section and is asgd duty with Hq Sq Sec 811th AB Gp as Commanding Officer (7024) Prim Dy eff 12 March 1953.

2. Par 5 SO 44 this Hq cs relating to antg 1ST LT JOSEPH L KELLEY II A02215671 811th Food Sv Sq inves off is revoked.

3. 1ST LT JOSEPH L KELLEY II A02215671 811th Food Sv Sq this sta is antd Inves Off to inves facts and circumstances connected with the death of A/B WILLIE B BURSTON AF14367782 811th Food Sv Sq (Deceased on 1 Mar 53). Inves w/h conducted pursuant to the provs of AFR 35-67. DD Form 261 w/h submitted in sextuplet. Inves w/b comld and fwdd to CO 811th AB Gp this sta NLT 8 Mar 53. If nec to visit scene of accdt TRGAA, mileage not authd. Upon rec of these orders off will rept im to the Legal Off for verbal instrs.

4. 2ND LT JERRY J JIRIK A02249758 Hq 811th AB Gp this sta is granted two (2) days ordinary lv of absence eff o/a 5 March 1953.

5. VOCO 1 Mar 53 authg A/2C DELBERT E BORDEAU AF35990471 811th Food Sv Sq this sta to rat separately fr his orgn and reside off base eff 1 Mar 53 are cfmd, exigencies of the sv having been such as to preclude the issuance of competent written orders in adv.

6. Folg-named amn orgns indicated this sta are authd to rat separately fr their orgn and reside off base eff dts shown:

	Dt
A/2C JAMES R KING AF44192196 811th Mtr Veh Sq	5 Mar 53
A/B THOMAS E BRAGG AF13432209 811th Food Sv Sq	10 Mar 53

7. CAPT EUGENE W WOLFE A0754819 811th Oprs Sq this sta is aptd Base Oprs Off vice CAPT THOMAS W CANNON JR A0667651.

8. CAPT THOMAS W CANNON JR A0667651 811th Oprs Sq this sta is aptd Asst Base Oprs and Tng Stf Off.

BY ORDER OF COLONEL EASTON:

EDMOND L. FORTIN
Major, USAF
Adjutant

OFFICIAL:

THOMAS M. MacGLOTHLIN
1st Lt., USAF
Asst. Adjutant

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EXHIBIT NO. 8

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HEADQUARTERS
811th Air Base Group
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE GROUND SAFETY COUNCIL

1. Under the provisions of AF Manual 32-3a, dated December 1950, and SAC Regulation 32-4, dated 7 Nov 1951, the Executive Ground Safety Council convened for a special meeting in the Conference Room, Base Headquarters at 1500 hours 25 March 1953.

a. All members were present except Maj John S. Dennis, Base Legal Officer.

b. The minutes of the previous meeting were read.

2. The meeting was concerned exclusively with planning for Operation "Safe Wheels" 1953. The Operation "Safe Wheels" is scheduled to start 1 May 1953 and to extend 130 days through 7 September 1953. The Ground Safety Director presented lists of information and suggestions to the members. The members were briefed on the suggestions presented.

3. A general discussion on ways and means to organize for the drive ensued. After discussion it was decided:

a. To appoint a planning committee to consist of an officer and an airman from each unit on the base. This committee is to recommend a plan for Operation "Safe Wheels" 1953 at the earliest possible date, not later than 8 April 1953. This plan is to be presented to the next regular meeting of the Ground Safety Executive Council.

b. After recommending approval or change to the plan, the Executive Ground Safety Council will recommend the appointment of a monitoring committee to effectuate the plan. This committee is to be composed of two officers from each Wing or Group and one officer from each attached unit, regarding MATS personnel as one unit.

c. The Ground Safety Director is to attend meetings of committees as recorder and technical advisor.

d. Upon approval, the plan is to be effectuated by command action.

4. It was recommended that a 40th Air Division letter be prepared directing each commanding officer of a Wing, Group, Squadron, or detachment on this base to designate an officer and an airman to the Planning Committee. This letter is to be prepared at once.

5. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 1600 hours.

APPROVED

t/s/JOHN J. EASTON
Colonel USAF
Commanding

t/s/GEORGE K. SYKES
Lt Col USAF
Chairman

EXHIBIT NO. 9

PLEDGE TO 'OPERATIONS SAFE WHEELS'

I certify that I shall endeavor to abide by safe driving rules and practices, and pledge my support to the prevention of death and injury to myself and others during the 'Operations Safe Wheels' drive, from 1 May through 7 September 1953.

I will:

1. Accept my moral responsibility and fulfill my obligation as a representative of the USAF in the protection of life, property and rights of others.

2. Drive with due regard to traffic, road and weather conditions.

3. Drive defensively at all times; exercising Caution-Courtesy-Control-Concentration-Common Sense.

4. Drive cooperatively - not competitively; always courteously.

5. Operate a mechanically safe vehicle: checking my brakes, tires, lights, horn, and other safety features, periodically.

6. Realize the human limitations of myself and other drivers as they relate to driving after drinking; fatigue; chance taking, and other personal inadequacies.

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(NAME AND RANK)

_____
(ORGANIZATION)

HEADQUARTERS 40TH AIR DIVISION
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

27 March 1953

SUBJECT: Operation "Safe Wheels" 1953

TO: Wing, Group, Squadron and Detachment Commanders
Turner Air Force Base, Georgia

1. Accidental injuries due to motor vehicle operation are a great loss to the USAF in both manpower and money. To aid in the control of this loss Turner Air Force Base will participate in Operation "Safe Wheels" 53 for the 130 day period from 1 May through 7 September 1953.

2. A Planning Committee will be appointed to consist of an officer and an airman from each unit on this base. Each Commanding Officer will submit nominations by telephone to the Ground Safety Section not later than 30 March 1953. The selection of committee members must be in line with the importance of this safety campaign.

3. The senior committee member will act as chairman. The committee, meeting on call of the chairman, will draft a plan for the participation of this base in Operation "Safe Wheels" 53 and submit it to the chairman of the Executive Ground Safety Council not later than 8 April 1953.

4. The Executive Ground Safety Council will consider the plan and forward it in final form to me for approval.

THAYER S. GIDS
Colonel USAF
Commanding

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EXHIBIT NO. 10

HEADQUARTERS 811TH AIR BASE GROUP
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

BASE GS 729.3 12 April 1953

SUBJECT: Ground Accident Report for March 1953

TO: See Distribution

1. a. There were eight (8) reportable injuries to military personnel during March, 1953. One of these was a fatality due to drinking driving and one a 360 day injury due to foolish and reckless driving. The accident curve is up. The record is definitely not satisfactory. Four of the eight injuries occurred in February but were not reported until March. These four accidents occurred well away from the base; one in Missouri, one in northern Ohio, and two in FEAF. Injuries were distributed as follows:

Unit	On Duty	Off Duty	Total
31st Strategic Fighter Wing	0	2	2
508th Strategic Fighter Wing	1	1	2
811th Air Base Group	1	3*	4*
TOTALS	2	6*	8*

*Fatality

2. a. The percentage of injuries should be below the percentage of assigned strength. Comparisons are:

% of Injuries	Unit	% of Assigned Strength
25%	31st Strategic Fighter Wing	24.54
25%	508th Strategic Fighter Wing	20.71
50%	811th Air Base Group	54.75

b. By Types, Injuries were:

	Mtr Veh	Job	Barracks	Altercation	Pedes-trian	Total
31st Strat Ftr Wing	1	0	0	1	0	2
508th Strat Ftr Wing	0	1	0	0	1	2
811th Air Base Group	2	0	2	0	0	4
TOTALS	3	1	2	1	1	8

3. There were no reportable injuries during the month. There were two minor injuries to civilians. One of these was caused by the fall of a plank from a scaffold.

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4. There were fifteen (15) non disabling military injuries. Four (4) on duty and eleven (11) off duty. This indicates that many small injuries are not being treated and reported.

5. There were no reportable government motor vehicle accidents for the month. There were four (4) non-reportable government motor vehicle accidents during the period. The damage in each case was less than $25. The record is a very poon one. Much more care by government motor vehicle operators is indicated.

6. Accident Trends for February:

Private Motor Vehicle.
Barracks and Home.
Altercations.

A regulation is being coordinated for the prompt reporting of completed action in cases of accidental injury where disciplinary action is warranted. Strict accountability for safe driving practices, both for government and private motor vehicle operators, is strongly indicated. Prompt corrective action is the key to control of altercation incidents.

7. Costs and cost per capita (cost per man per month) based on assigned strength, civilian and military, are listed below.

	Cost of Accident	Cost per Capita/mo
31st Strategic Fighter Wing	$416.	$0.40
508th Strategic Fighter Wing	$720.	$0.83
811th Air Base Group	$42,633	$17.93
TOTALS, Turner Air Force Base	$43,769	$10,06

BY ORDER OF COLONEL EASTON:

/s/ John H. Johl
for THOMAS M MacGLOTHLIN
1st Lt USAF
Asst Adj General

DISTRIBUTION:
CO, 31st Strat Ftr Wg
CO, 508th Strat Ftr Wg
CO, All Asgd & Atchd Units
811th AB Gp, TAFB, Ga.

A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

JOSEPH E. LYRO
1st Lt., USAF

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BASE PERSONNEL OFFICE
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

BASE PERS 314.7

SUBJECT: Historical Report - Base Pers for the Month of March 1953

TO: Base Historian
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

E X T R A C T

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Information received from the Classification Section indicated the following number of personnel had met the Classification Board during the month of March 1953:

Officers	6
Airmen (Basics & Recruits)	12
Airmen (Other)	139

Paper work has been submitted on two (2) M-Day assignees. Further action is awaiting approval or disapproval of the applicants by higher headquarters.

No promotion quotas received this base this month since promotion quotas are now allotted bi-monthly instead of every month.

Statistics from the Base Processing Section reflect the following personnel changes during the month of March 1953:

Incoming Personnel:

Officers	4
Airmen (Basic & Recruits)	4
Airmen (Other)	157

Outgoing Personnel:

Officers (TDY)	6
Officers (PCS)	10
Officers (Released)	11
Airmen (TDY)	13
Airmen (PCS)	166
Airmen (Released)	3

EXHIBIT NO. 12

Subj: Historical Report - Base Pers. for the Month of March 1953

Following is a breakdown of the strength figures for the 811th Air Base Group for the month of March 1953:

	AUTHORIZED	ASSIGNED
As of 1 March 53		
Officers	110	125
Airmen	1738	2100
As of 31 March 53		
Officers	111	118
Airmen	1740	2044

Twenty-four (24) airmen were administered the AQE Test during the month of March 1953, and seventy-five (75) were administered the Job Knowledge Test in March 1953.

One hundred ninety-seven (197) airmen were administered the Airmen Proficiency Test during the month of March 1953, of which forty-six (46) were in the 70 career field, one hundred seven (107) were in the forty-three (43) field, and forty-four (44) were in the 64 career field.

Results of these tests have not yet been received.

Schools

Status of training with regard to schools for officers during the month of March was as follows:

Officers attending schools as of 1 March 1953 - 13
Officers departed for schools in March 1953 - 2
Officers returned from schools in March 1953 - 0
Officers attending schools as of 31 March 1953 - 15

1 - Squadron Officers Course, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
1 - Still Photo Off Course, Lowry AFB, Wyo.

Status of training with regard to schools for airmen this station during the month of March was as follows:

Airman attending schools as of 1 March 1953 - 335
Airmen departed for schools in March 1953 - 85
Airmen returned from schools in March 1953 - 29
Airmen attending schools as of 31 March 1953 - 291

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Subj: Historical Report - Base Pers. for the Month of March 1953

The following list is a breakdown, by course, of the airmen who departed for schools during the month of March 1953:

2 - Personnel Specialist - Scott AFB, Illinois

16 - Air Police at Parks AFB, California

8 - Security Training at Camp Carson, Colorado

13 - Aircraft Mechanic - Amarillo AFB, Texas

28 - Supply Course - Francis E. Warren AFB, Wyoming

4 - Water Supply - Ft. Belvoir, Virginia

2 - Woodworker Course - Francis E. Warren AFB, Wyoming

2 - Crypto Repair - Francis E. Warren AFB, Wyoming

2 - Installer Cableman - Francis E. Warren AFB, Wyoming

2 - Career Guidance - Scott AFB, Illinois

1 - Office Machine Repairman - Fort Lee, Virginia

4 - Supply Inspection Technician - Francis E. Warren AFB, Wyoming

1 - Property Disposal Course - Hill Air Force Base, Utah

A CERTIFIED TRUE EXTRACT COPY:

JOSEPH E. EURO
1st Lt., USAF

/s&t/ CARL T. REBENTISCH
Captain, USAF
Base Personnel Officer

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RECRUITING OFFICE
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

3 April 1953

SUBJECT: Historical Report for the Month of March 1953

TO: Personnel & Administration Office
Headquarters 811th Air Base Group
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

1. A total of sixteen (16) reenlistments were accomplished by Base Recruiting Office during the month of March 1953.

2. The following is a breakdown of enlistments by squadrons:

a.	Headquarters 811th Air Base Group	3
b.	811th Installations Squadron	2
c.	811th Motor Vehicle Squadron	4
d.	811th Supply Squadron	2
e.	811th Operations Squadron	2
f.	31st A & E Maintenance Squadron	2
g.	31st Field Maintenance Squadron	1
	Total.....	16

3. Included in 2a through 2g, two (2) reenlistments were off Base within 30 days.

4. Included in 2a through 2g, five (5) reenlistments were from Reserves on active duty to Regular Air Force.

/s&t/ CALVIN C RAY
Captain, USAF
Recruiting Officer

A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

EXHIBIT NO. 13

HEADQUARTERS 811TH AIR BASE GROUP
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

BASE COMPT: 4 March 1953

SUBJECT: Weekly Progress Report

TO: Commanding Officer
40th Air Division
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

1. The following report on the progress of the 811th Air Base Group for the week ending 1 March 1953 is submitted for your reflection.

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b. Materiel:

(1)

	27 Feb	27 Jan	Avg % for Mo Feb as of 27 Feb	Avg % for Mo of Jan as of 27 Jan	Avg % For Mo of Jan
AOCP%	4.5	5.5	8.0	5.9	5.4
ANFE%	16.5	28.3	21.7	21.0	21.5

It is the opinion of the analyst that the accumulation of needed items is the major factor in effecting the ANFE percent of 16.5 for 27 February 1953.

The following items are those effecting condition stated above.

Class	Stock Number	Nomenclature	Type A/C	No. A/C	Days ANFE
03C2	4271-A8002RC4	Switch	F-84G 288	1	16
03C2	4202-AN3316-2	Relay	F-84G 237	1	12
03C2	4235-555-3429	Switch	F-84G 252	1	6
0311	4890-870305	Compressor	F-84G 172-188-207-212-224-150	6	51
0322	486-8U8005-51	Valve Assy	F-84-G-172-198-212-224-216	5	72
0312	4831-1327-522207	Cap	F-84G 244	1	7
0313	4829-MC1603	Valve Assy	F-84G 265-248	2	20
11B	5200-265670	Induction Servo	F-84G 199	1	23
11B	5200-749830	Solenoid Assy	F-84G 172	3	7
16T	3380-294801540	Relay	F-84G 229	1	7

Exhibit No. 14

Base Compt, Subject: Weekly Progress Report

(2) Considerable improvement reflected in the VOCP and VOCM status for period ending 1 March 1953 as compared to period ending 31 January 1953. It should be noted, however, that there were fewer days in February and consequently fewer days lost VOCP and VOCM.

	Period Ending 31 Jan 53	Period Ending 1 March 53
VOCP Percent	2.0	0.8
VOCM Percent	1.3	0.5
VOC Percent	3.3	1.3

/s/t/ HICKS E. READ
2nd Lt, USAF
Management Analysis

A CERTIFIED TRUE EXTRACT COPY:

Joseph E. Zuro

JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

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HEADQUARTERS 811TH AIR BASE GROUP
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

BASE COMPT: 12 March 1953

SUBJECT: Weekly Progress Report

TO: Commanding Officer
40th Air Division
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

1. The following report on the progress of the 811th Air Base Group for the week ending 8 March 1953 is submitted for your consideration.

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b. Materiel:

(1)

	6 Mar	6 Feb	Avg % for Mo. Mar as of 6 Mar	Avg % for Mo Feb as of 6 Feb	Avg % for Mo of Feb
AOCP%	5.9	9.6	6.4	10.8	7.9
ANFE%	13.6	27.3	14.2	28.3	20.9

There is an overall improvement reflected in the AOCP and ANFE status for 6 March and month of March as of 6 March compared to the identical periods in February.

Faster supply action if possible would even effect greater improvement. Following is a list of items on which the 6 March AOCP and ANFE percentages are effected, and could be deleted through improved supply action.

Class	Stock Number	Nomenclature	Type	No. A/C	Days AOCP
01L	1ALC176226	Enid Assy	T-33 924	1	9
01L	1ALB21000L	Cell Assy	T-33 924	1	11
05G	2327-FA120-10	Indicator Gauge	T-7 505	1	18
					ANFE
01L	1ALC-205851-2	Tube	T-33 388	1	7
01N	1AND-30F64181-1	Handle Assy	F-84G 254	1	8
0311	4890-870305	Compressor	F-84G 172, 188,207,212, 224,150	6	56
0311	4846-8U8005-51	Valve Assy	F-84G 172, 212,224,216	4	77
0313	4829-M61603	Valve Assy	F-84G 265,248	2	24

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Base Compt, Subject: Weekly Progress Report

List of items on which the 6 March AOCP and ANFE percentages are effected (Cont'd)

Class	Stock Number	Nomenclature	Type A/C	No.A/C	Days ANFE
08E	8850-322162	Connector	F-84G 355	1	8
11B	52000-265670	Induction Servo	F-84G 199	1	28
16T	3380-294801540	Relay	F-84G 229	1	12
16E	33000-392374510	Resistor	F-84G 254	1	10

/s&t/ HICKS E. READ
2d Lt, USAF
Management Analysis

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HEADQUARTERS 811TH AIR BASE GROUP
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

BASE COMPT 18 March 1953

SUBJECT: Weekly Progress Report

TO: Commanding Officer
40th Air Division
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

1. The following report on the progress of the 811th Air Base Group for the week ending 15 March 1953 is submitted for your consideration.

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b. Materiel:

(1)

	13 Mar	13 Feb	Avg % for Mo Mar as of 13 Mar	Avg % for Mo Feb as of 13 Feb	Avg % for Mo March
AOCP%	6.7	10.2	6.0	10.6	7.9
ANFE%	11.2	25.9	11.9	27.4	20.9

Continued improvement reflected in the AOCP and ANFE percentages for 13 March and month of March as of 13 March compared to the same periods during February.

It is believed that faster supply action from the depots effected the improvement. Following is a list of items which effected AOCP's and ANFE's for a period of more than 5 days:

Class	Stock Number	Nomenclature	Type A/C	No. A/C	Days AOCP
01N	1AND-30C22518-25L	Door Assy	F-84G 235	1	9
05G	2327-FA120-10	Indicator Gauge	T-7 505	1	23
08E	8850-400584	Connector	T-6 040	1	10
08E	8850-617875	Connector	T-6 040	1	10
					Days ANFE
01N	1 AND-30F64181-1	Handle Assy	F-84G 254,3200	2	13
03C2	4232-ABNEP	Resistor	F-84G 290	1	8
050	6134-36700-1A1A3	Indicator	F-84G 297	1	8

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Materiel - (Cont'd)

(2) There is a regression in the VOCP and VOCM status for the period ending 15 March 1953 as compared to the period ending 15 February 1953. This regression is due mainly to low supply effectiveness existing at some of the Depots. For example, one truck (5000-871305) was out of commission for a period of 30 days as of 14 March 1953 for a pump assembly. Base Supply issued a request to the Depot (907) for this item on 16 February 1953. It should have normally taken 5 days for the item to be supplied. However, the 907th did not have the item and had to extract it from the 831st. Consequently an accumulation of time causing abnormal days out of commission.

	Period Ending 16 Feb	Period Ending 15 Mar
VOCP %	1.9	2.2
VOCM %	1.0	1.2
VOC %	2.9	3.4

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1st Lt., USAF

/s/t/ HICKS E. READ
2d Lt, USAF
Management Analysis

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HEADQUARTERS 811TH AIR BASE GROUP
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

1 April 1953

BASE COMPT

SUBJECT: Weekly Progress Report

TO: Commanding Officer
40th Air Division
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

1. The following report on the progress of the 811th Air Base Group for the week ending 29 March 1953 is submitted for your reflection.

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b. Materiel:

(1)

	27 Mar	27 Feb	Avg % for Mo Mar as of 27 Mar	Avg % for Mo Feb as of 27 Feb	Avg % for Mo of Feb
AOCP%	10.6	4.5	6.8	7.6	7.9
ANFE%	14.9	16.5	11.3	20.6	20.9

Regression in the AOCP status for 27 March 1953 as compared to 27 February is indicated in the increased AOCP percent for 27 March 1953. It is felt needed equipment not being readily supplied effecting an accumulation of aircraft out of commission is the major cause of the abnormal AOCP and ANFE rates.

Following is a list of items which effected AOCP's and ANFE's for a period of more than 5 days.

Class	Stock Number	Nomenclature	Type A/C	Qty	Days AOCP
01N	IAND-30F13055-1	Fin Assy	F-84G 293	1	8
01N	IAND-30023501-7	Panel Assy	F-84G 256	1	11
01N	IAND-30085168-3	Actuator	F-84G 256-247	2	11
05D	6119-894363009	Lead	T-33 924	2	7
05D	6126-L551-10	Lead	T-33 924	1	7
08C	8880-086602820	Terminal	T-33 924	2	7
08E	8850-400584	Connector	T-6 040	1	9
0311	4890-204388	Spring	F-84G 237	1	14

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Class	Stock Number	Nomenclature	Type A/C	Qty	Days AOCP
0311	4890-840430	Disconnect	F-84G 214	1	15
0311	4880-834230	Gasket Seal	F-84G 3248	4	14
03L	5621-30T63031-5	Valve	F-84G 3265	1	14
08G	8870-804000-875	Lamp	T-33 922	1	8

(2) There is a regression in the VOCP and VOCM status for period ending 31 March 1953 as compared to the period ending 1 March 1953. Regression due mainly to insufficient supply of needed parts from the depots.

	Period Ending 1 Mar 53	Period Ending 31 Mar 53
VOCP %	1.8	1.8
VOCM %	0.5	1.0
VOC %	2.3	2.8

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PROJECTS BEING ADMINISTERED BY SAVANNAH DISTRICT
ENGINEERS AND AIR INSTALLATIONS OFFICE - TURNER AIR FORCE BASE

1. Projects being administered by the Savannah District Engineers:

Project Description	% Complete
Fuel Storage & Distribution (Contract 1107)	99.8
Oper Fuel Storage Tanks (Contract No. 1071)	100
Ammunition Storage Igloos (Contract No. 1501)	98.8
Administration Building (Contract No. 1512)	58.1
General Purpose Warehouse (Contract No. 1515)	51.5
Bulk Storage Tanks (Contract No. 1271)	100
R. R. Extension to Warehouse (Contract No. 1689)	86
Communications Building (Contract No. 1707)	18.7

2. Projects being administered by the Air Installations Office:

Installation of Regulators on Hot Water Heaters (28-52)	20
Rehabilitation of Hangar Doors in Building 5010 (50-52)	0
Construction of One Supply Warehouse (13-53)	100
Construction of Paint and Dope Storage Building (14-53)	100
Rehabilitation of Dental Clinic (17-52)	100
Installation of Attic Fans in BOQs (71-52)	100
Installation of Attic Fans in EM's Quarters (72-52)	92
Installation Mastipave Floor Covering (1553)	100
Construction of Lumber Shed (16-53)	35
Addition of Eaves and Eyebrows (27-53)	12
Fire Ladders and Landings (26-53)	0
Automatic Fire Alarm Systems (10-53)	0
Paint Latrines 700 and 800 Series Type Barracks (36-53)	0

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811TH AIR BASE GROUP
811TH OPERATIONS SQUADRON
BASE OPERATIONS SECTION
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

SUBJECT: Section History for March 1953

TO: Base Historian
Turner Air Force Base
Georgia

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TRAINING AND OPERATIONS

The following is data on Base Flight aircraft, including Airplane and Flying Time for the month of March 1953:

AIRPLANE TIME:

T-6. . . . . 83:25
C-47 . . . . . 348:45
T-33 . . . . . 173:40
T-7 . . . . . 16:20

	T-6	C-47	T-33	T-7
Training	46:20	-	160:40	10:10
Administrative	37:05	348:45	14:25	6:10

FLYING TIME BY ORGANIZATION:

	T-6	C-47	T-6	T-33
Base Flight	42:45	365:55	32:40	29:30
307th Strat Ftr Sq	41:50	116:05	-	57:35
308th Strat Ftr Sq	9:50	104:50	-	129:05
309th Strat Ftr Sq	20:20	119:00	-	53:20
100th Air Refuel Sq	15:35	44:45	-	-
Other	-	-	1:20	23:25

TOTAL FLYING TIME BY TYPE AIRCRAFT:

T-6..... 130:20
C-47..... 750:35
T-7.....34:00
T-33.....292:55

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Base Ops 314.7, Subj: Section History for March 1953, (Cont'd)

Following are percentages of AFR 60-2 requirements completed by pilots assigned or attached to Base Flight for flying for the month of March 1953. Percentages are based on the annual requirements of 100 hours proficiency, 15 hours night and 20 hours hood and/or weather. Percentages based on twenty (20) pilots present for duty.

Proficiency. 93.0%

Night 90.0%

Hood and/or Weather 90.0%

Turner Tower processed one thousand, three hundred and sixty two (1362) take-offs and landings, forty seven (47) practice VHF/DF steers and two (2) emergency VHF/DF steers during the month of March 1953.

During the month of March 1953 the Base Operations Dispatch Section processed two hundred and ninety-five (295) incoming flights, two hundred and eighty six (286) outgoing flights, one hundred and twenty-two (122) local flights and forty three (43) round robin flights, which includes Instrument Training flights, Operational Missions and Minimum Individual Training flights.

/s&t/ EUGENE W. WOLFE
Capt., USAF
Base Operations Officer

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307th T-JETS FLY NON-STOP TO CALIFORNIA

The 307th Strategic Fighter Squadron completed its second in-flight refueling mission to the west coast last Sunday for training and checking new equipment.

The mission, led by Maj. Robert J. Keen, took off at 1100 hours Friday with 12 planes, 10 piloted by 307th jet jockeys, one by Maj. Gene W. Oehlman, 31st Wing Headquarters, and one by Airlines Capt. Charlie Blair, representative from Gen. Hoyt S. Vandenburg. Capt. Blair is with the Pan American Airways.

Six and a half hours later, the mission was 1950 air miles from Turner, circling over March AFB, California. The planes refueled over Texas from tankers sent from Lockborne AFB, Ohio.

All 12 planes left California Sunday afternoon, refueled at Bergstrom AFB, Texas and were back at Turner with a flying time of four and a half hours from March AFB to Turner.

It was hoped that the trip, flown at 25,000 feet most of the way, would break some of the set distant records. A strong steady headwind of over 100 miles per hour caused much damage to the plane's ground speed, however. The return trip was hampered by reported bad weather at Turner.

The trip was successful in that none of the planes were grounded for mechanical difficulties.

The 307th pilots participating in the in-flight refueling mission to the west coast were Maj. Robert J. Keen, Lt. Freddie Postan, Capt. Clyde W. Strain, Capt. Andrian E. Drew, Lt. Stanford E. Parris, Lt. Robert E. Dixon, Maj. Robert A. Krug, Lt. Bee McCarter, Capt. Homer E. Hayes and Lt. Thomas P. Ingrassia.

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KLIBBE TABBED TOP SAC FLYING SAFETY OFFICER

Maj. Frank W. Klibbe, flying safety officer of the 31st Strategic Fighter Wing, earned SAC February flying safety officer of the month honors for his outstanding job in implementing an aggressive accident prevention program at this base.

The major reported to Turner in September, 1951, from Bergstrom AFB where he was Maintenance Contril Officer. The World War II ace has seven German aircraft and 63 missions to his credit while serving with the 56th Fighter Group in Europe. His decorations include the ETO with one star, the Air Medal with flour clusters and the DFC with two clusters.

March Air Force Base won the Strategic Air Command's base of the month trophy for February and moved to the top of the totem pole in the Safe Aircraft Campaign for '53, SAC's Flying Safety Division has announced. Travis Air Force Base was runnerup with Hunter third.

Standings for the other SAC bases in the competition for the February trophy were: 4-Davis-Montham; 5-Castle; 6 - Lake Charles; 7-Fairchild; 8 - Lockbourne; 9-Smoky Hill; 10-Stead; 11-Ramey; 12-MacDill; 13-Barksdale; 14-Turner; 15-Bergstrom; 16-Biggs; 17-Walker; 18 - Rapid City; 19-Offutt; 20-Forbes and 21-Carswell.

Exhibit No. 21

Safe Flying Committee Picks Three For Prizes

By TIM HENNEY, EDITOR

Two airmen will depart on a TDY trip to the Republic Aviation plant in New York next week, and a Non-Com will take a three-day pass as a result of their prize winning entries in the SAC-wide 1953 Safe Flying campaign. A-1C Kenneth A. Cooley of Headquarters Squadron, 31st Strategic Fighter Wing, and A-2C Ronald J. Ellis of Headquarters Section, 811th Air Base Group, will be flown to Farmingdale, Long Island. T. Sgt. John Belliveau of the 307th Strategic Fighter Squadron chose a three-day pass as a reward.

The base Flying Safety Committee held its first meeting recently, and selected the winning slogans from a stack of entries turned in by local personnel. Airman Cooley suggested "Stay Alert and Stay Alive. . .Fly Safely!" Ellis won with "Check It. . .Don't Wreck It!" Sgt. Belliveau's slogan was "A Newly Dug Plot 'Cause a Crew Chief Forgot."

Airmen and officers throughout the Strategic Air Command are urged to enter the Flying Safety program by turning in helpful suggestions . . . slogans . . . tips on how to improve flying conditions and chop accidents within SAC. Turner's Flying Safety Committee, made up of top brass from the 40th Air Division, Air Base Group and 31st Wing, will meet every two weeks to decide on local winners. If no entries are worthy of the reward, none will be chosen. If one, two, three, four or five rate an approval from the board of officers, then all personnel responsible will be recognized with their choice of rewards.

Who Can Enter

Any military man assigned to this base is eligible and is urged to get in the running. Just pause by a Flying Safety box (you can find 'em on most any wall) and write a suggestion. Add your name and hope it brings home the bacon.

Lt. Dale K. Christians, 811th Operations Squadron, and project officer for the contest, is arranging transportation for Airmen Ellis and Colley by "Gooneybird" to Long Island, April 2. They will be hosted by officials of the Republic Corporation at the jet making plant in Farmingdale.

Republic Aviation and Turner Flying Safety chiefs are working together to reward contest winners. Maj. Frank Klibbe, recently named the top Flying Safety Officer in SAC for February, set up the deal with the Republic officials when the Safe Flying drive was still in the diaper stage.

One of three prizes can be had by those selected as winners. An expense-free three-day trip to Republic is one offer. A ride in one of the 31st Wing's Republic built Thunderjets is another choice. The other is a three-day pass to wherever the receiver wishes to spend it.

The contest is young, and there's plenty of time to take advantage of what Turner's program has to give away. Just grab a pencil and get hasty for Flying Safety!

T. Sgt. Kochanowich, A-1C Mack and A-1C Brookbank of Turner AACS detachment show by their smiles that it's great to be back. The unit recently returned to Turner from a two-month TDY job in upper New York.

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HEADQUARTERS 811TH AIR BASE GROUP
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

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10. UP Pars 8 and 9 Sec II, SAC Reg 176-5, dtd 31 Dec 52 the folg named pers are aptd members of Turner Airmen's Living Improvement Fund Council.

DETAIL FOR THE BOARD

COL THAYER S OLDS 372A	Hq 40th Air Div
COL DAVID C SCHILLING 4450A	Hq 31st Strat Ftr Wg
COL CY WILSON 1521A	Hq 508th Strat Ftr Wg
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BY ORDER OF COLONEL EASTON:

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1st Lt, USAF
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RACE FUND HASHED OUT BY BOARD OF OFFICERS

Recommendations for spending $50,000 collected last October from the SOWEGA Sports car races were discussed Tuesday by the Airmen's Fund council in 40th Air Division headquarters.

Of the total amount, $5,000 was set aside for possible amusement tax, since it hasn't been decided whether the admission price was taxable. $10,000 will be kept to cover the initial expense of this year's Sports Car race.

With the remaining $25,000, a project for the improvement of the airmen's living conditions is under consideration. One basic condition for the project is that it must be of a lasting nature.

At first, an Airmen's committee was set up, under T Sgt. Don Miller to submit recommendations for spending of the money. The committee came up with two suggestions. First, the spending of approximately $20,000 to fix up an airmen's open mess; and second, approximately $10,000 to set up a golf course behind the base.

The Airmen's Open Mess was submitted to higher Headquarters for approval. It was disapproved because of the constant

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ron, 811th Air Base Group commander, (in charge of the fund), Lt. Richard W. Orr, AIO officer, and Lt. Harold E. Henderson, statistical control officer. Tuesday, the council met to discuss the suggestions propounded by the 31st Wing personnel.

The bowling alley was discarded because the suggested location was inadequate, the money from the improvement fund is insufficient, and because SAC has already been requested $50,000 to get a bowling alley. It has already been planned to enlarge the service club, and the beer gardens are in process already in the old NCO annex.

Due to limitation of expenditure, the chances of setting up a golf course is very remote. With no one to draw up the plans, the golf course has been done away with for the time being.

Air conditioning for the day-rooms is a good suggestion except that there are insufficient funds to condition all the day-rooms on the base.

The two suggestions that are left and are the best are the building of a picnic pavilion and the expansion of the hobby shop. These two suggestions are subject to approval by higher authorities.

Raise Funds

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financial difficulties which exist in Airmen's Open Messes operating on other bases.

A second recommendation by the Airmen's committee was then to spend $10,000 for a pavilion in the picnic area and $20,000 for the golf range. The stopper there was that Air Installation's work load was too great to get started.

Col. William D. Dunham, 31st Wing Deputy CO, then conducted a survey among the airmen of the 31st Strategic Fighter Wing to find out what they wanted. Their suggestions were from first to last: bowling alley, enlarged service club, BX beer garden, enlargement of the automotive hobby shop, golf course, air conditioning for the day rooms, and a pavilion in the picnic area.

The Fund Council is composed of Col. Thayer S. Olds, 40th Air Division commander, Col. John J. Easton, base commander, Col. Dave C. Schilling, commanding officer of the 31st Strategic Fighter Wing, Col. Cy Wilson, 508th Wing commander, Maj. William H. Milnor, personnel officer, Maj. John S. Dennis, legal officer, Maj. Vernie G. Black, Headquarters Squad-

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CHRONOLOGY

1 April 1953	-	Management Improvement Program Committee held initial meeting.
6 April 1953	-	Colonel John J. Easton placed on thirty days TDY with the 508th Strategic Fighter Wing in Japan.
		Lt. Col. George K. Sykes appointed Base Commander during temporary absence of Colonel Easton.
7 - 9 April	-	Lt. Col. Lawrence J. Pickett, Division Operations Staff Officer, attended fighter symposium at Southern Pines, North Carolina
8 April	-	Captain Carl T. Rebentisch appointed Base Personnel Staff Officer.
		Major William H. Milnor transferred to an overseas assignment.
9 April	-	Executive Ground Safety Council met to discuss the Plan for "Safe Wheels" 1953.
22 April	-	SAC Flying Safety Award presented to Colonel Olds by Major General Frank S. Armstrong, CG, Second Air Force.
17 - 25 April	-	Utilization Survey of General Purpose Motor Vehicles conducted by representatives of Second Air Force.

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ORGANIZATION AND ADMINISTRATION

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I - ORGANIZATION AND ADMINISTRATION

Among the significant organizational and administrative matters commanding the attention of the 40th Air Division and 811th Air Base Group commanders during the month of April included plans for Armed Forces Day, 1/ Civil Air Patrol and AFROTC summer encampments at Turner in June, 2/ preparations for the Operation "Safe Wheels" campaign for 1953 to commence 1 May, 3/ and various manpower and management matters.

The Management Improvement Program Committee appointed last month by the Base Commander 4/ met with all staff heads and squadrons on 1 April to discuss the implementation of the new program. Written instructions for writing the Internal and External Procedures manual were prepared by the committee, along with organizational charts, and distributed to members of the meeting; the charts were used to pin-point any problem which, if found, were to be presented to the Second Air Force Management Team scheduled to be at this base during the period 4 - 7 May 1953.

Last month instructions from Headquarters 2AF authorized 22 T/O spaces for T-33 aircraft maintenance, to be equally divided between

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1/ Ltr, 2AFOO 006, subj: Armed Forces Day, 1953. (Exhibit 1)
See Chapt. VI, Sp Proj, page 25, for further discussion.

2/ See page 16 for further discussion.

3/ See pages 8 & 9 for further discussion.

4/ See page 5, 40th Air Div and 811th ABG Hist. for March 1953.

the 31st and 508th Strategic Fighter Wings. 5/ Support personnel and equipment for maintenance of T-33 aircraft, presently assigned the 811th Operations Squadron were to be authorized and assigned to the tactical squadrons. Information received in April revealed that a total of 23 spaces is to be authorized for maintenance of T-33 aircraft assigned the 31st Wing and a like number of spaces is to be procured for maintenance of 508th T-33 aircraft. 6/ Pending allocation of spaces to the 508th Wing, the 40th Air Division Personnel Officer is to distribute the skilled maintenance personnel equally between the 31st and 508th Strategic Fighter Wings. The 508th Wing personnel will be attached to the 31st Wing until 508th manning authorizations are received in the Base Manpower Office. 7/

On the basis of the current manpower austerity program, every T/D-A position on Turner AFB was to be surveyed in order to achieve the accomplishment of its mission with a minimum of personnel. The Base Manpower Board approved for adoption a program established by the Manpower Office whereby every organization within the 40th Air Division would be required to submit a position justification form for every authorized military and civilian position. To facilitate the analyzation of the T/D-A position justification and to provide a criteria for

5/ Hist. Rpt for Apr 1953, Manpower & Orgn Sect. (On file, Hq TAFB.)

6/ Ibid.

7/ TWX, 2AFPLC 0188, 3 Apr 1953. (Exhibit 2)

detecting possible discrepancies in T/O's, every unit within the 40th Air Division was also requested to report all T/O vacancies.

The 811th Supply Squadron was requested to submit an evaluation, either against current manning or local proposed manning, showing the distribution of spaces in the Procedural Section for the manning of Hydrant Refueling Units. 8/ Manning Evaluation, for planning purposes only, was forwarded to Headquarters 2AF on 16 April 1953.

Justification for eight T/-D-A spaces in the administrative section and seven spaces in the management and procedures section of the Supply Squadron was also requested this month by Headquarters 2AF. These justifications were forwarded on 20 April 1953. 9/

The manning structure of Air Base Group Legal Section was analyzed this month by Headquarters SAC to determine the essentiality of the currently allocated troop spaces. This base was informed that in many instances disparity revealed that non-T/O augmentations were were being utilized to duplicate or replace T/O capabilities. Consequently, current T/O's are to be amended, limiting augmentation to one officer and two civilian stenographic positions to each Air Base Group Legal Section.

8/ Ltr, 2AFPLC 320, Subj: Manning for Hydrant Refueling Units, dtd 27 Mar 1953. (On file, Hq TAFB.)

9/ Hist. Rpt for Apr 1953, Manpower & Orgn Sect. (On file, Hq TAFB)

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The Fiscal Year 1955 Budget Estimate for military and civilian personnel was completed this month by the Base Manpower and Organization Office. Subsequent changes necessitated re-preparing the requirements, which were completed and forwarded to Headquarters 2AF on 27 April.

On addition was made to the staff of the 40th Air Division this month. Announcement was made of the assignment of 1st Lt. Ben F. Sands, Jr as Aide to the Commanding Officer on 14 April 1953. 10/

10/ SO 90, par 22, Hq 40th Air Div, dtd 14 Apr 1953. (On file, Hq TAFB.)

PERSONNEL

II - PERSONNEL

One major staff change was effected in the Air Base Group 8 April when Captain Carl T. Rebentisch assumed the duties of Base Personnel Staff Officer from Major William H. Milnor, who was transferred to an overseas assignment. 11/ Before taking over as Base Personnel Officer, Captain Rebentisch was Base Classification Officer following his arrival at Turner from Headquarters Fifth Air Division.

Another major change effected temporarily on 6 April was the appointment of Lieutenant Colonel George K. Sykes as Base Commander 12/ during the temporary absence of Colonel John J. Easton, who, along with Colonel Robert P. Montgomery, 40th Air Division Director of Operations, was placed on TDY with the 508th Strategic Fighter Wing in Japan for a 30-day period.

Routine activities performed by the Base Personnel Office included the testing program, classification actions, schools, and recruitment, tables of which are inclosed in the appendix of this installment. 13/

The Executive Ground Safety Council met on 9 April to discuss the Plan for "Safe Wheels" 1953 which was prepared by the Planning Committee.14/ Prior to the opening date of the campaign, squadron commanders distributed

11/ SO 85, par 2, Hq 40AD, 8 Apr 1953 and GO 7, Hq 811 ABG, 8 Apr 1953. (Exhibits Nos. 3 and 4.)

12/ GO 13, Hq 2AF, 6 Apr 1953 (Exhibit 5)

13/ Hist. Rpt. Base Pers. Sect, file 314.7, Apr 1953 & Hist. Rpt fr Recruiting Ofc, TAFB, Apr 1953. (Exhibits 6 and 7.)

14/ a. See page 10, Hist. Rpt. 40AD and 811ABG for Mar 1953
b. Plan for "Safe Wheels" 1953. (Exhibit 8)

pledges and "You and Your Car" booklets to all personnel. The pledges were to be signed and retained in the squadrons and the booklets to be read at squadron formations and retained by the individuals. The schedule of events for the "Safe Wheels" 53 campaign included a plan for a kick-off parade to be held on the Base on 1 May, and another parade in downtown Albany the following day, with many of the civic organizations in Albany scheduled to participate.

Last year Turner AFB won the general award for safe driving in July and had the lowest overall cost in SAC, and the only base in SAC that had no fatality loss. This year, Turner will strive to win the Safe Driving award each month and permanent possession at the end of the drive; the overall award for the period in government vehicle driving; SAC improvement award; and "130 deathless days" award. 15/

The Ground Safety Office reported four injuries to military personnel during April, the lowest for any month in 1953. The rate for the month was 3.08 persons hurt for each 100,000 man days worked. 16/

The month of April saw the beginning of the fifth On-Duty Base Elementary School. Classes commenced 15 April and as of the end of the month, there was an enrollment of 52 students in three classes. Classes are held one hour per day, five days per week, for a period of eight weeks or forty class hours. Personnel of the Base Education Office are being

15/ Unit Hist. Rpt, Grnd Safety Sect, Apr 53. (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)

16/ Ground Safety Rpt, Apr 1953 (Exhibit 9)

utilized as instructors for the Elementary Program.

The Florida State University "Operation Bootstrap" program completed the 12th week on 29 April 1953. Four weeks of classes remained in this sixteen week college program. Considerable improvement was shown this month in attendance at these classes.

The testing service of the Education Office continued with a marked degree of success. Eighty-eight High School Level General Educational Development Tests and 23 College Level General Educational Development Tests were administered during the month.

Personnel of the 31st Strategic-Fighter Wing had requested a group-study class in Russian language; textbooks and records were ordered this month by the Education Office and it is expected they will arrive in early May. The materials for this class are supplied free of charge by the United States Armed Forces Institute.

A Physical Educational Clinic was held at the Base Gymnasium on 11 April. Members of the St. Louis Cardinals Coaching and Advisory Board met before athletic personnel and discussed points of coaching techniques and methods of play.

The Turner Baseball Team played exhibition games this month against the St. Louis Cardinal Farm Clubs and then went into their regular season opening against Robins AFB, Fort McPherson, Gunter AFB, and two civilian clubs in Albany. The Softball League opened the season against Moody AFB.

The Squadron Softball Leagues opened with nine teams in each of the two leagues. In the pre-season tournament held on 13 April, Headquarters Squadron Section of the Air Base Group won the tournament with the 31st Armament and Electronics Maintenance Squadron and the Medics coming in second and third place, respectively.

The Special Services Section purchased a trampoline this month through the Nonappropriated Welfare Fund for use in the Base Gymnasium.

The Base Library received 168 new books this month; 110 of these were bought from Nonappropriated Welfare Funds, and the remainder were obtained through regular Air Force channels.

The Civilian Personnel Office continued recruitment during the month for the position vacancies of General Engineer and Service Club Director. The Civil Service Commission registers did not have a General Engineer with the specific qualifications required for the job. It was found that the majority of applicants had the basic civil engineering background, but did not possess any experience in air-conditioning, heating, and refrigeration. Recruitment efforts were to be continued through USAF, other Air Force installations, State Employment agencies, and Defense agencies that have announced a reduction-in-force.

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III - MATERIEL

A project initiated by Headquarters 2AF to review all UAL's, recommend changes and redistribute excesses, commanded the attention of the Base Materiel Officer this month. This project is to begin on 1 May 1953 and completed by 30 July 1953. Representatives of this base who were already familiar with the UAL-BAL System were placed on TDY to Hq 2AF to attend a conference on 28 April to discuss problems apt to arise in carrying out this project. 17/

The Utilization Survey of General Purpose Motor Vehicles was conducted at this base during the period 17-25 April by representatives of Second Air Force to determine actual vehicle requirements for this base. As anticipated, this survey resulted in a reduction in the number of vehicles on continual daily dispatch to certain using units. The Division Commander had previously issued a letter to all units on the base directing that all essential transportation requirements, over and above that provided with regularly assigned vehicles, would be provided from the taxi pool, which contains sedans, pickup trucks, carryalls, and 1 1/2 ton Stake and Platform trucks. 18/

At the end of the month a report on motor vehicle utilization was prepared by the Management Analysis Section which disclosed that during April, the number of sedans used had decreased by one, and the

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17/ TWX, 2AFMSA 4493, 13 Apr 1953 (Exhibit 10)

18/ Ltr, Hq 40th AD, subj: Mtr Veh Utilization Survey (Exhibit 11)

total mileage dropped from 9,679 to 7,555; the number of carryalls used had increased by one and the total mileage dropped from 21,356 to 19,779; the number of pickups used decreased from 63 to 58, and the total mileage increased from 45,112 in March to 47,797 in April, causing the daily mileage to rise from 36 to the Standard set by the Air Base Group Rating System (41). 19/ The number of vehicles used during March and April decreased from 129 to 107; the total mileage increased from 80,112 miles to 90,116 miles. These two factors raised the Air Base Group score approximately twenty per cent. 20/

A new project was started this month by Base Supply in the form of a petroleum school to indoctrinate personnel of the Aqua System and Refueling Section in all phases of their work and to enable every man to perform his duties with the utmost efficiency. Approximately 27 men are to attend the school for 500 hours of instruction. A complete outline of the new storage and pump system presently being installed is to be given in this school.

A representative of Base Supply attended a conference in Atlanta this month which was held by the General Services Administration. All phases of the procedures required to obtain supplies were discussed thoroughly with the attending representatives. As a result of this conference, a new SOP for requisitioning supplies from the General

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19/ Ltr, Management Analysis Serv, TAFB, subj: Rpt on Mtr Veh Utilization, to CO, TAFB, (Exhibit 12)

20/ Ibid.

Services Administration was written by Base Supply personnel. 21/

Low supply effectiveness existing at the depots and delays in transportation accounted mainly for the increased AOCP and ANFE percentages during the first half of the month as reflected in the AOCP per cent of 7.2 and ANFE per cent of 15.7 as of 10 April. 22/ The percentages for the same period in March were AOCP, 5.9; ANFE, 12.3. The AOCP percentage was the same during the last half of the month; the ANFE percentage decreased to 11.6 during the last half of the month, however, the overall improvement of ANFE rate for the entire month amounted to only 1.1 per cent. The avarage AOCP rate for the month was 7.4 as compared to 6.7 for the month of March, an increase of .7. 23/

There was a progressive trend in the VOCM and VOCP rates during the month, attributed mainly to faster supply action. The VOCP was 1.3, and VOCM 1.3. 24/

Considerable progress was made this month on several building projects. 25/ Three projects were completed, including the Ammunition Storage Igloos (Contract No. 1501), the Railroad Extension to Supply Warehouse (Contract No. 1689), and the Installation of Attic Fans in Airmen's Quarters (Contract No. 72-52).

21/ Ltr, Base SO-A, subj: Procedure for Obtaining Supplies from GSA, dtd 13 Apr 1953. (Exhibit 13)

22/ Base Compt ltr, subj: Weekly Progress Rpt, dtd 15 Apr 1953 (Exhibit 14)

23/ Base Compt ltr, subj: Weekly Progress Rpt, dtd 6 May 1953 (Exhibit 15)

24/ Hist Rpt. fr Base Mat Ofc, Apr 1953 (On file, Hq TAFB)

25/ Projects Administered by Savannah Dist. Engr and AIO (Exhibit 16)

Other projects well along the road to completion included the new Administration Building which, by the end of the month, was 68.5 per cent complete, the General Purpose Warehouse was 61 per cent complete, and the Communications Building, (Contract No. 1707), was 31 per cent complete.

Other projects under construction included a lumber shed, which was 35 per cent complete and the addition of Eaves and Eyebrows to certain buildings was 70 per cent complete.

Four new projects were approved this month, however work had not begun as of the end of the month. These included Fire Ladders and Landings (26-53), Automatic Fire Alarm Systems (10-53), Construction of Garbage Racks (Base Exchange and Officers' Club), and Rehabilitation of Mess Hall, Building 2002.

Other projects processed for approval this month which met the requirements of letter from Headquarters SAC, dated 11 April 1953 were: 26/ Special Weapons Training Area (33-53) and Fly Away Kit Warehouse, (19-53). Project No. 9-53, Concrete and Masonry Steps and Stoops, did not receive approval for essentiality and was cancelled.

26/ Ltr, Hq SAC, file DM-7A 600.1 subj: Major Repair and Construction Program, FY 1954, dtd 11 Apr 1953. (On file, Hq TAFB.)

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IV - OPERATIONS AND TRAINING

The Division and Base Operations Offices were concerned with several operational matters this month.

Preliminary plans were made for three summer encampments --- the first of which is to consist of 125 members of the Civil Air Patrol, scheduled to arrive at Turner on June 6 for a nine-day encampment. 27/ Two hundred and fifty-four AFROTC cadets are to arrive at the base on 21 June for a four-week encampment and a second group of cadets are scheduled to arrive on 26 July. 28/

The CAP members are to be housed in barracks that the ROTC cadets will use; they will participate in military athletic and recreational activities, and gain a general working knowledge of the operation of the base. Lieutenant Colonel Chester M. Conrad, commanding officer of the 811th Operations Squadron, was appointed CAP Project Officer.

The program set up for the AFROTC cadets is to include 11 hours of in-processing, including registration, physical examination, issuing of equipment, assignment of quarters, organization of units, welcome and orientation, 12 hours of weapons and marksmanship, one hour chaplain's orientation, 43 hours leadership drill and exercise of command, 39 hours military drill, and other training.

27/ Ltr, 2AFOT 354, subj: Civil Air Patrol Summer Camps on SAC Bases, 1953, (Exhibit 17)

28/ ISO News Ltr, Vol. 2 No. 5, 13 Apr 1953. (On file, Hq TAFB.)

Representatives of the Division Operations Office visited Williams AFB, Arizona this month to obtain construction data on F-80 Captivair Jet Trainer. This new trainer, an F-80 anchored in concrete to the ground, was found to be more effective than the link trainer; one outstanding feature is its capability to simulate flame-outs and re-starts. The Division Commander had previously expressed a desire for such a trainer at this base in a letter to Hq 2AF on 11 March 1953, however, the feasibility of obtaining such a trainer was not determined as of the end of the month. 29/

The Division Operations Staff Officer, Lt. Col. Lawrence J. Pickett, attended the fighter symposium held at Southern Pines, North Carolina during the period 7 - 9 April 1953. 30/ Excerpts taken from the minutes of this conference revealed that the discussion was centered upon changes that should be made in the present organization, training and equipment of fighter units to insure that they would be able to fight effectively in a third world war. 31/ One of the questions was...."Should the present squadron/wing/base structure be changed in the interest of efficiency?" (An important point brought out in this discussion was that the SAC Fighter system, 'because of special requirements would not necessarily apply to fighter wings of other command.'?

29/ Ltr, 40th Air Div, file DOP 452.3, dtd 11 Mar 1953, subj: Requirement for Captive-Air. (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)

30/ SO 83, par 8, Hq 40 AD, 6 Apr 1953. (Exhibit 18)

31/ Minutes of Fighter Symposium. (On file, Hq 40th Air Div, TAFB, Ga.)

Some of the recommendations that resulted from discussion of the above question were: (1) Wings should be capable of splitting into combat and support units, (2) A Wing should have four squadrons instead of three squadrons, and (3) The T/O&E should be applicable to both war and peace time. Another question was....."Are our fighter units sufficiently mobile and flexible to meet probable requirements of a third world war?" Recommendations resulting from this question were: (1) In-flight refueling should be recognized as an important means of increasing the effectiveness of fighter forces, and (2) liaison aircraft should be allotted to operational headquarters and units in field to act as couriers. Question Number three was....."Is our concept of future theater operations aligned with reality? Recommendations were: (1) That the requirement for a true light weight fighter be recognized and, (2) that the present programming be revised to effect reduction in the production of larger, more expensive and more complicated aircraft. 32/

On 22 April, Col. Olds, Division Commander, was presented the SAC Flying Safety Award by Major General Frank A. Armstrong, Commanding General at Hunter AFB, Savannah, Georgia. This award was made for Turner's outstanding aircraft accident prevention record during the period January - June 1952.

32/ Ibid.

The Base Communications Office was responsible for having all telephones assigned the 508th Wing restored to normal service by 22 April, the date the 508th ADVON returned to Turner. During the TDY period of the Wing, the telephones were left installed, but placed on vacation rates, which is one-half the normal rate, through arrangements by the Communications Center with the local telephone company. 33/

Thirteen outside telephone booths were installed this month by the local telephone company. These public telephones were installed in various places throughout the base for the convenience of military and civilian personnel.

The Wire Maintenance Section completed the wiring of an intercom system for the 31st Strategic Fighter Wing this month; this intercom system consisted of six master stations and four slave stations. More than two miles of field wire was used in the wiring of the master and slave stations. Delivery was made this month of over 12,000 feet of 5 pair and 10 pair rubber covered cable to be used in the Base Defense and Central Security system. Work on this project will be held up until such time as the men of the wire maintenance section presently on TDY with the 508th Wing return to the base. 34/

In the field of training, the Air Base Training Flight gave Atomic, Biological and Chemical Warfare training to 134 airmen during the month. The range section of the Flight fire 388 airmen with the carbine, 64 officers with the caliber .45 pistol, and 29 airmen with the submachine

33/ Hist. Rpt, Wire Maint. Sect. 811th Ops Sq, Apr 1953 (On file, TAFB)

34/ Hist. Rpt. Base Comm. Sect, Apr 1953 (On file, TAFB, Ga.)

gun. One hundred and forty-four airmen and officers were trained in Security Indoctrination. In addition, the Flight trained and tested eight officers in Morse Code.

Base Flight aircraft flew a total of 330:25 during the month without accident. 35/ The Turner Tower processed 2,550 take-offs and landings, 67 practice VHF/DF steers and 17 emergency VHF/DF steers during the month. The AFR 60-2 requirements completed by pilots assigned or attached to Base Flight were: proficiency, 89.8 per cent; night, 93.6 per cent; and hood and/or weather, 87.4 per cent.

35/ Base Ops Hist. Rpt, Apr 1953. (Exhibit 19)

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V - MORALE

As a result of numerous requests by various Turner personnel, the Base Character Guidance Council considered the question of seeking a long-range program designed to having all states recognize the yearly hunting, fishing and/or automobile licenses of all other states, for the benefit of military personnel only.

Mr. Wayne R. Shields, regional director of the Office of Community Services, informed the council by letter in April that the Chief, Headquarters, Office of Community Services, Hq USAF, said:

"It would be impractical to attempt Federal legislation to accomplish the objective because of state resistance to such legislation. Instead, a concentrated attempt will be made to induce the states to agree upon reciprocal hunting and fishing licenses with certain other states of their own choosing....within a reasonable time, after the states have taken partial action of their own volition, it will be suggested that the final step be taken which will, of course, be recognition of all hunting and fishing licenses by all states."

During the month, the persons concerned continued improvement on the 10-point program recommended to this base by the Second Air Force Character Guidance Council. 36/

The Personnel Services Office and its various sub-sections is making available to all personnel a full sports program in keeping with the season. Eighteen squadron softball teams entered two intramural leagues. The pre-season tournament began on 13 April.

36/ See Chapt. V, page 23, 40th AD and 811 ABG Hist. for Mar 1953.

The baseball team played a series of exhibition games with the St. Louis Cardinals farm clubs training in nearby Albany, Georgia; a tennis team was in the process of formation, with a base tournament as a final judge of which players would represent the base was planned for the near future; the base softball team opened its season in a game with Moody Air Force Base; a horseshoe tournament was held with others scheduled for the future; tumbling classes were held at the base gym weekly, looking forward to the formation of a tumbling team. Also on the sports program for the season was hand-ball, volleyball, and weight lifting. There was also the beginning of a golf league, with competition to start in May.

The Education Office reported high interest in the education counseling program, with more and more airmen expressing an interest in getting a high school diploma. It was stated that 88 High School Level General Educational Developments tests were administered and that 23 College Level tests were administered. 37/

The Base Service Club, with no civilian director or hostess, is still continuing its program of providing recreation and relaxing moments to the airmen. The Service Club personnel worked closely with the two USO's in Albany, where a number of dances were held this month. The Service Club claimed a record attendance of 7,069 airmen during the month at various activities, i.e, the Coffee Klotch, or GI Party night, where the airmen, after the weekly barracks cleaning detail,

37/ For further info on Education, see above pages 9 and 10.

may go to the club in fatigues for refreshments and free movies; the Sunday morning coffee hour, held between 1000 and 1100 hours to allow both Catholics and Protestants to attend and still go to church; the Thursday evening bingo program, timed to allow personnel to attend the first movie at the base theater.

The Go-to-Church Campaign, started during April, was considered a success, with a certain squadron as sponsor of each service. On Easter Sunday, 6 April, the Headquarters Squadron Section, 811th Air Base Group, was the sponsor and 394 Protestants and 369 Catholics attended that day. On April 13, the 811th Installations Squadron was the sponsor and the attendance was 82 Protestants and 352 Catholics. One hundred and sixty-seven Protestants and 271 Catholics attended the services on April 20, sponsored by the 811th Air Police Squadron. Attendance on April 27 at services sponsored by the 811th Food Service Squadron was 275 Protestants and 281 Catholics.

A check was made this month to determine whether there were any landscape specialists available on the base for the proposed base beautification plan. It was disclosed that none were presently available, however, plans were made to obtain a landscape artist from another organization, possibly the nearby Marine Corps Depot.

Upon investigation of the Second Air Force Character Guidance Council with reference to "visits to the sick at the station hospital," it was disclosed that the base Chaplain has had such a program in effect for a long time. At least once each day, a chaplain makes the

rounds of all wards, making himself available for any guidance or spiritual consultation.

Point Number 5 of the Second Air Force recommendations ---- Utilization of Community Assistance to Promote Individual Development -- was discussed in the March 1953 history. During this month ground work was started for further discussion with civic and governmental leaders in Albany. This will be discussed in greater detail in the May history.

Another morale factor acted upon during April was the setting up of a regular bus schedule from the base to Radium Springs (a local swimming resort) on evenings and week-ends during the late spring and summer months.

The Base Character Guidance Council also suggested that a guest house, for visiting relatives of Turner AFB personnel -- be placed in the Master Plan of future building.

The Special Services Section began a program this month whereby convalescent patients at the base hospital were encouraged to use recreational facilities suitable for their use.

Two base contests were completed this month. Four stories were entered in the short story contest, three of which won prizes and were forwarded to Second Air Force Headquarters for further judging. Eight persons entered the Air Force Talent Contest and four winners were selected to enter further competition at Second Air Force Headquarters in May 1953.

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After a two-month interval the Red Cross Bloodmobile visited the base on April 15. Turner AFB contributed 284 pints of blood, missing the base quota of 300 by 16 pints. There were actually 295 volunteers, but 11 were rejected because of eating the wrong kind of foods. The Bloodmobile has collected 619 pints in the three visits to the base this year, bringing the total to 3,608 pints collected since the first visit of the Bloodmobile in November, 1951.

Military and civilian members of the ARMED FORCES DAY planning committee held a meeting on 2 April at the Albany Chamber of Commerce to discuss plans for the event; another meeting was held on 28 April when final plans were firmed up for the fourth observance of Armed Forces Day. During Armed Forces Week, eight speeches were scheduled to be given by Turner personnel at various civic club luncheons in Albany and neighboring communities. Thirteen Albany business houses had volunteered store windows which were to be decorated with appropriate Armed Forces Day displays by various units at Turner and the nearby Marine Corps Depot of Supplies. A big parade was planned for Saturday, May 16, in Albany to include several bands, airborne troops, color guards, over a thousand troops from Turner AFB, marines from the Marine Depot, Veterans of the Spanish American War, American Legion, Boy and Girl Scouts, and civic clubs and educational institutions.

Open House at Turner was planned for Saturday afternoon to begin at 2 p.m. and plans were made to have static displays of various jet aircraft and other equipment on a section of the flight line. Guided tours of the base are to be conducted by personnel of the Information Services Office, to include a visit to a pilot's ready room.

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Headquarters 40th Air Division

As of 1 April 1953

Colonel Thayer S. Olds	Division Commander
Colonel Joe R. Williams	Director of Personnel (Prim dy) Executive Officer (Add dy)
Colonel Albert V. Kanig	Director of Materiel
Colonel Robert P. Montgomery	Director of Operations
Lt. Col. Lawrence J. Pickett	Operations Staff Officer
Major Robert Wagner	Operations Staff Officer

811th Air Base Group

As of 1 April 1953

Colonel John J. Easton	Commanding Officer
Lt. Col. George K. Sykes	Deputy Commanding Officer
Major Edmond L. Fortin	Base Adjutant
Major William H. Milnor	Base Personnel Officer
Lt. Col. Fred L. Houck	Base Manpower Officer
Lt. Col. Chester M. Campbell	Base Materiel Officer
Lt. Col. Chester M. Conrad	Base Operations & Training Officer
Major John S. Dennis	Judge Advocate
Major (Chaplain) Luther McArthur	Base Chaplain
Captain Lawrence O. Savage	Information Services Officer

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Roster of Key Personnel - 811th Air Base Group (Cont'd)

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Major Melford A. Loeffler	CO, 811th Supply Squadron
Major Johnnie P. Harlow	CO, 811th Air Police Squadron
Major Henry A. Blood	CO, 811th Motor Vehicle Squadron
Captain Charles W. McRae	CO, 811th Food Service Squadron
1st Lt. Richard W. Orr	CO, 811th Installations Squadron
Major Vernie G. Black	CO, Headquarters Squadron Section, 811th AB Group

Headquarters 40th Air Division

As of 30 April 1953

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Lt. Col. Lawrence J. Pickett	Operations Staff Officer
Major Robert C. Wagner	Operations Staff Officer
1st Lt. Ben F. Sands	Aide to Commanding Officer

811th Air Base Group

As of 30 April 1953

Colonel John J. Easton	(TDY - FEAF)
Lt. Col. George K. Sykes	Commanding Officer
Major Edmond L. Fortin	Base Adjutant

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APPENDIX

HEADQUARTERS SECOND AIR FORCE
Barksdale Air Force Base, Louisiana

2AF00 006 2 April 1953

SUBJECT: (Unclassified) Armed Forces Day, 1953

TO: Commanding Officer
40th Air Division
Turner Air Force Base
Georgia

1. The attached Strategic Air Command Armed Forces Day policy letter is forwarded for your information and guidance.

2. Approval by this headquarters for Class I, II and III demonstrations may be anticipated within the limitations imposed by attached policy letter and inclosure thereto, however, final approval must be requested of this headquarters. All requests for such demonstrations must be coordinated with and approved by the appropriate Armed Forces Day Area Commander prior to submission to this headquarters and requests will indicate that the Area Commander's coordination and approval has been obtained.

3. Direct coordination with Area Commanders by base Armed Forces Day Project Officers is authorized and should be accomplished as soon as practicable in order that final commitments and plans can be made.

4. In order that the suspense date established in paragraph 2d (5) of attached letter can be met, request that summary of plans for Armed Forces Day activities be submitted to this headquarters by each Second Air Force installation so as to arrive not later than 21 April 1953. Note paragraph 2 above concerning coordination requirements with Area Commanders.

5. It will be the policy within this command to cooperate to the fullest possible extent, within the limitations imposed by the attached letter, with Armed Forces Day Area Commanders in providing aircraft and facilities for demonstrations.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL ARMSTRONG:

1 Incl
SAC Ltr DOOPO 006, Subj: AFD, 1953
dtd 28 Mar 53.

A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:
JOSEPH E. ZUBO
1st Lt., USAF

EXHIBIT NO. 1

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FM CGAF 2 BARKSDALE AFB LA
TO COADIV 40 TURNER AFB GA
2AFPLC 0188. ATTN: MANPOWER & ORGN. REF PHONE CONVERSATION BETWEEN LT DYE, THIS HQ, AND LT COL HOUCK, YOUR HQ, T-33 ACFT MAINT AUGMENTATION WHICH AMOUNTS AT THIS TIME TO 23 SPACES ARE TO BE UTILIZED FOR MAINT OF ACFT IN THE 31ST SFW PRIMARILY. THIS HQ IS TAKING ACTION TO PROCURE MAINT SPACES FOR T-33 ACFT ASSIGNED THE 508TH SFW. T/O'S WILL INCLUDE THESE SPACES WHEN PUBLISHED.
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EXHIBIT 2

HEADQUARTERS 40TH AIR DIVISION
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

SPECIAL ORDERS)
NUMBER 85)

8 April 1953

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2. MAJ WILLIAM H MIINOR 15861A (P&DAFSC 7316)(W)(RegAF)DROS Feb 48) is reld fr asgmt and dy Hq 811th AB Gp (SAC)(2AF) Turner AFB Albany Ga and is asgd 2353d Pers Processing Sq 2349th Pers Processing GP Cp Stoneman Calif rept NLT 20 Apr 53 for further asgmt to 5th AF APO 970 c/o Postmaster San Francisco Calif against pg 4 ln 1 FEAF Apr 53 rqn (2AF Proj 106B) (SAC Proj 5525). AFM 35-6 w/b complied with and imm dird therein w/b accomplished im. TPA w/eleven (11) days tvl time authd if tvl is performed by privately owned conveyance but if not used, tvl time w/b the time of the common carr used. Tvl by mil acft, coml acft, ry and/or bus authd. Pers w/dspo of veh prior to rpt to Cp Stoneman Calif. Concurrent tvl of depn is not authd. Mail w/b addressed to show gr, name, AFSC, Cas Off Sec 2353rd Pers Processing Sq 2349th Pers Processing Gp Cp Stoneman Calif. Nine (9) DDALVP. Lv address: 1779 Glenwood Place Memphis Tenn. WP. PCA. PCS. EDCSA: 20 Apr 53. Auth: AFR 35-59, 2AF Msgs 2AFPEA 1672 dtd 23 Mar 53 and 2AFPEA 0459 dtd 7 Apr 53. SAC Reg 35-4 w/b complied with. TDN. 5733500 348-341 P533(5)-02-03-07 S99-999.

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BY ORDER OF COLONEL OLDS:

OFFICIAL:

EDMOND L. FORTIN
Major, USAF
Adjutant General

/s/ Thomas M. MacGlothlin
/t/ THOMAS M. MACGLOTHLIN
1st Lt., USAF
Asst Adj. Gen.

A CERTIFIED TRUE EXTRACT COPY:

JOSEPH E. ZARO
1st Lt., USAF

EXHIBIT NO. 3

HEADQUARTERS 811TH AIR BASE GROUP
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

GENERAL ORDERS)
NUMBER 7)

8 April 1953

1. Announcement is made of the appointment of CAPTAIN CARL T REBENTISCH A0804397 Headquarters 811th Air Base Group as Base Personnel Officer (AFSC 7324) vice MAJOR WILLIAM H MILNOR 15861A.

BY ORDER OF COLONEL EASTON:

OFFICIAL:

EDMOND L. FORTIN
Major, USAF
Adjutant

THOMAS M. MacGLOTHLIN
1st Lt., USAF
Asst. Adjutant

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EXHIBIT NO. 4

HEADQUARTERS
SECOND AIR FORCE
Barksdale Air Force Base, La

GENERAL ORDERS) 6 April 1953

NUMBER 13)

APPOINTMENT OF BASE COMMANDER

1. APPOINTMENT OF BASE COMMANDER.---By direction of the President, announcement is made of the appointment of LIEUTENANT COLONEL GEORGE K. SYKES, 9763A, as Commanding Officer of the 811th Air Base Group and Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia, during the temporary absence of COLONEL JOHN J. EASTON, 4051A, effective 6 April 1953. AUTH: 24-1, AFR 35-54 and SAC Reg 36-8.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL ARMSTRONG:

OFFICIAL:

KENNETH O. SANBORN
Colonel, USAF
Chief of Staff

/s/ Forrest A. Brandt
/t/ FORREST A. BRANDT
Lt Col USAF
Adjutant General

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Joseph E. Zuro
JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

EXHIBIT NO. 5

BASE PERSONNEL SECTION
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

BASE PEPS 314.7 6 May 1953

SUBJECT: Historical Report - Base Personnel for the Month for Month of April 1953

TO: Base Historian
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

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Information received from the Classification Section indicated the following number of personnel had met the Classification Board during the month of April 1953:

Officers	12
Airmen (Basics & Reservists) . .	13
Airmen (Other)	88

Eighty-eight (88) airmen were administered the AQE Test during the month of April, and sixty-five (65) were administered the Job Knowledge Test in April 1953.

Fifty-six (56) airmen were administered the Airmen Proficiency Test during the month of April 1953, of which thirty-nine (39) were in the 43 career field, four (4) were in the 64 career field, and thirteen (13) were in the 70 career field.

Results have not yet been received on tests given in April, or on tests given in March 1953.

EXHIBIT NO. 6

Subj: Historical Rpt - Base Pers. for the Month of April 53.

Following is a breakdown of airmen promotion quotas allotted this command for the month of April 1953:

M/Sgt - 3

T/Sgt - 4

S/Sgt - 25

A/1C - 83

A/2C - 90

All quotas were utilized with the exception of eighteen (18) for A/1C which were returned to Second Air Force.

Statistics obtained from the Base Processing Section reflect the following personnel changes during the month of April 1953:

Incoming Personnel:

Officers	8
Airmen (Basics & Reservists)	42
Airmen (Other)	164

Outgoing Personnel:

Officers (TDY)	1
Officers (PCS)	10
Officers (Released)	2
Airmen (TDY)	11
Airmen (PCS)	64
Airmen (Released)	6

Strength figures for the Air Base Group for the month of April 1953:

	AUTHORIZED	ASSIGNED
As of 1 April 53		
Officers	111	110
Airmen	1740	2018
As of 30 April 53		
Officers	111	111
Airmen	1740	1992

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SUBJ: Historical Report - Base Pers for April 1953

Following list is a breakdown of officers, in a training status for the month of April 1953:

Officers attending schools as of 1 April 1953..... 15

Officers departed for schools in April 2

Officers returned from schools in April 1

Officers attending schools as of 30 April 1953..... 16

1 - Squadron Officers' Course, Maxwell AFB, Ala.
1 - Personnel Services Officers' Course, Scott AFB, Ill.

Status of training with regard to schools for airmen this station during the month of April 1953 was as follows:

Airmen attending schools as of 1 April 53.....291

Airmen departed for schools in April 1953..... 15

Airmen returned from schools in April 1953..... 14

Airmen attending schools as of 30 April 1953..... 292

The following list is a breakdown of the airmen who departed for schools during the month of April 1953:

3 - Stock Control Tech at Francis E. Warren AFB, Wyoming

3 - Air Police (NCO) at Parks AFB, California

1 - Facsimile Equipment at Scott AFB, Illinois

1 - Parachute Rigger at Chanute AFB, Illinois

1 - General Drafting at Ft. Belvoir, Virginia

6 - Supply at Francis W. Warren AFB, Wyoming

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JOSEPH E. ZORO
1st Lt., USAF

/s/ Carl T. Rebentisch
/t/ CARL T. REBENTISCH
Captain, USAF
Base Personnel Officer

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RECRUITING OFFICE
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

6 May 1953

SUBJECT: Historical Report for the Month of April 1953

TO: Personnel & Administration Office
Headquarters 811th Air Base Group
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

1. A total of five (5) reenlistments were accomplished by Base Recruiting Office during the month of April 1953.

2. The following is a breakdown of enlistments by Squadrons:

a.	Headquarters 811th Air Base Group	1
b.	811th Food Service Squadron	2
c.	309th Strat Ftr Squadron	1
d.	3944th RBS Squadron	1
	Total.....	5

3. Included in 2a thru 2d one (1) reenlistment was from off base.

4. Included in 2a thru 2d two (2) enlistments from Reserves on active duty to Regular Air Force.

/s/ Calvin C. Ray
/t/ CALVIN C. RAY
Captain, USAF
Recruiting Officer

A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

JOSEPH E. ZUKO
1st Lt., USAF

EXHIBIT NO. 7

EXECUTIVE GROUND SAFETY COMMITTEE
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

SUBJECT: Plan for "Safe Wheels" 53

TO: Commanding Officer
40th Air Division
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

1. The Planning Committee appointed by letter, 40th Air Division, dated 27 March 1953, subject, "Operation Safe Wheels" 1953 submitted a draft plan to the Executive Ground Safety Council at its meeting at 1000 hours 9 April 1953. Major Johnnie P. Harlow, Base Provost Marshal, presided. All members were present or represented except Lt Col George K. Sykes, Base Deputy Commanding Officer, TDY.

2. The plan submitted, as concurred in and recommended by the Executive Ground Safety Council contained the following as Pre-Campaign events.

(a) Prior to the opening date of the campaign Pledges and "You and Your Car" booklets are to be distributed to all personnel by Squadron Commanders. Pledges are to be signed and kept by the squadron concerned. Booklets are to be read at a formation and are to be retained by the individual. A record of percentage of pledges signed, by squadrons, is to be posted until 9 May on the Bulletin Board at the PX corner.

(b) "Articles of Safe Driving" are to be read and explained to all troops by Squadron Commanders not later than 25 April 1953 if the Manuals are received in time. If the Manuals are delayed, they will be read the second week in May.

(c) USAF Supervisor Safety cards are to be distributed before 1 May 1953.

3. Schedule of events.

(a) Parade on Base at 1500 hours 1 May 1953. Route: Avenue A from Street 1 to Street 11, thence to Avenue C, thence to Base Headquarters. Formation, "Open convertible" filled with "Beauty Queens" from Albany High School; the Albany High School Band; float of Turner Air Force Base announcing "130 Deathless Days", "Safe Wheels 53", and a sign "With Whom are you Flirting?" Girls from Albany High School will be used and cars decorated. Next in line will be the Base Band in tattered and torn clothes, bandages and splints, playing a mournful comical tune. The Band would be

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followed by a tow truck towing a wrecked car. If possible, the wrecked car is to be the same color as the leading convertible.

Preceding the parade, with Avenue A blocked off, cars will speed, drive recklessly, act as "road hogs", "suicide Sam", etc. Each vehicle will have a sign explaining the violation. Air Police with sirens will be following the offenders. The same cars will follow the parade with the signs on them, the theme being, "With Whom are You Flirting?" At the conclusion of the parade in front of Base Headquarters, Division, Wing and Base Commanders will formally declare "Safe Wheels 53" opened, with the Slogan, "130 Deathless Days."

(b) 1. Parade in Albany, Georgia 2 May 1953, 1100 hours. Route: Form on Pine Avenue opposite YMCA. Go south on Jefferson to Broad, east on Broad to Washington, north to Pine, east on Pine to YMCA. The Base is to furnish 200 marching troops, one float, one wrecked towed car and the Base Band. Civilian institutions will furnish from four to seven floats and from eight to fifteen decorated cars, Albany High School "Beauty Queens," Oriental band from the Shrine, and a band from a nearby High School. Commitments for four civilian floats and eight civilian cars have been made orally. Three other floats and several more decorated cars are probable.

2. The Mayor, City of Albany, will issue a proclamation declaring the period 1 May - 7 Sept dedicated to "Safe Wheels 53" and to "130 Deathless Days."

3. During May and June a poster contest will be held by the Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts. Winning Posters will be displayed in downtown stores, week 1-6 July 1953. Prizes will be secured from local firms for the best three (3) posters.

4. A speaking contest is to be held at the Base among students taking Florida State University courses. The best speech will be read over a local radio station just before 4 July. The winner is to receive a Zippo Cigarette Lighter, suitably engraved.

(c) Town events will be monitored by the Chairman of the Town Committee.

(d) Roadeo. This event has to be completed by 25 June so that the winners may participate in the SAC wide Roadeo. It is scheduled for 20 June. The 811th Motor Vehicle Squadron will run it. It is open to all base military personnel. Prizes are to be secured at no cost from local merchants, as was done in 1952.

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(e) Economy Car Run. 11 July 1953. Course, Turner Air Force Base to Cordele, to Americus, to Albany, to Turner Air Force Base. The winner will be decided on a ton-mile basis. Three prizes will be secured locally from wholesale and retail gasoline merchants at no cost to the Base. It will be monitored by the "Events" Committee.

(f) Barbecue. 25 July 1953; evening meal. To be sponsored by the 811th Food Service Squadron. One supper ration is to be used. The barbecue is to be held in the Base Picnic Area. Soft drinks are to be sold by the Food Service Squadron. No charge is to be made to military personnel for the meal. Dependents may be fed at the usual charge, with the approval of the Commanding Officer.

(g) Mascot. It is proposed to secure a mascot, a donkey, mule, pony, or goat. This animal will be cared for by squadron with the highest monthly accident rate. A corral is to be placed in a prominent place, with suitable signs. The attendant squadron is to be required to lead the animal around the base, daily, except Sundays, displaying "Safe Wheels" signs. The mascot is to be present at all "Safe Wheels" events. Food for the mascot is to be supplied by the attendant squadron. The "corral" could consist of a stake, a length of rope, and four signs mounted on stable bases. The corral could be moved to suit the attendant squadron's convenience. The chairman of the "Events" Committee is to work out the details.

(h) The Officer's Club, NCO Club, and Service Club are each to be requested to dedicate one Saturday night dance to the "130 Deathless Days" campaign. The dances should be scheduled about a month apart.

(i) Squadron Display Contest. The starting date is to be about 15 May; the contest is to extend throughout the campaign. Two Squadrons are to compete each week; the final winner to be determined from photos taken at the weekly contests. This is to be run the same as in 1952, except that the displays are to be restricted to an area 10' x 10' area and 8' in height. The restriction will serve to place squadrons on an equal basis. The Ground Safety Officer will monitor this event.

(j) A Motor Pool vehicle is to be a "Safe Driving" example. It is to carry signs stating that anyone noting and reporting a traffic violation by this vehicle will receive two admissions to the Base Theater and will be mentioned in the Base Newspaper. The event is to be handled by the 811th Motor Vehicle Squadron.

(k) After the campaign is under way, the sign at the corner of the PX is to note weekly, accident standings of Squadrons including traffic violations, days since last fatality, and the weekly slogan. The Ground Safety Officer and the Air Installations Officer will cooperate in keeping this sign posted.

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SUBJECT: Plan for "Safe Wheels" 53

(l) Shorts, as available, are to be run by the Base Theater. The Theater Officer will attend at this item.

(m) A static display similar to the 1952 display is to be placed on Avenue A at the approximately location of the 1952 display. The Ground Safety Officer and the Air Installations Officer will cooperate to set up this display.

(n) Three rubber stamps reading "130 Deathless Days" are to be secured. Outgoing campaign items from Ground Safety are to be so stamped. One stamp is to be used by the PX. This will be coordinated by the Ground Safety Officer.

(o) 2,500 stickers reading "Courtesy is Contageous" are to be secured without cost and placed on the dashboards of all motor vehicles. Consent of owners of private cars is to be secured. The distribution will be accomplished by the Ground Safety Officer, cooperating with the Motor Pool and the Air Police.

(p) Courteous Driver Awards. It is proposed to select a "Courteous Driver" each week of the campaign. Selection is to be made from Air Police nominations by an Executive Ground Safety Council Committee. The winner each week is to receive a suitable engraved Zippo lighter.

4. Costs are estimated as follows:

Town Committee, for decorating float, signs, etc.	$50.00
Sign Cloth, 2 bolts	$42.00
Paints, 4 Pints	$10.00
Rubber Stamps	$ 7.50
17 Zippo lighters, engraved	$59.50
1 Plaque for best Squadron	$20.00
TOTAL	$189.00

Signs needed for the campaign are to be made by AIO painters.

Funds are suggested to be authorized from Non-Appropriated Funds. Custodian, Non-Appropriated Funds, is to voucher each item spent.

(a) At the conclusion of the Campaign on 7 September it is proposed that the Division Commander, Wing Commanders, and or Base Commander make a presentation of Honor Plaques with suitable remarks.

A plaque is to be awarded the Squadron with the best overall accident prevention record as to accidents and general participation in the program. The winner is to be selected by the Executive Ground Safety Council. In

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addition, a plaque is to be given the Squadron winning the Display Competition, as was done in 1952. Second and third place in each competition are to receive "Certificate of Achievement." The Plaque for the overall winning squadron is to be purchased. That for the Display Competition is to be made locally. The Ground Safety Officer will monitor the ordering and making of the plaques.

5. It is recommended that the program be monitored by two officers from each Wing and Air Base Group to be appointed by their respective commanders. It is further recommended that the chairman of the various subcommittees of the Planning Committee be designated to assist in placing their plans in operations. In case relief or assistance is needed, these are to be obtained by consultation with the Monitoring Officers appointed, and ordered by the respective Wing or Air Base Group Commanders. The Ground Safety Officer is to advise and assist all activities, as needed.

t/s/ JOHNNIE P. HARLOW
Major USAF
Acting Chairman

A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

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HEADQUARTERS 811TH AIR BASE GROUP
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

BASE GS 729.3 8 May 1953

SUBJECT: Ground Accident Report for April 1953

TO: See Distribution

1. The number of reportable injuries to military personnel for April 1953 was four (4). This is the lowest for any month in 1953. The rate for the month was 3.08 persons hurt for each 100,000 man days worked. The injuries were all sustained by members of the 811th Air Base Group.

2. The percentage of injuries should be below the percentage of assigned strength. Comparisons are:

% of military injuries	Unit	% of Assigned Strength
0	31st Strategic Fighter Wing	24.38
0	508th Strategic Fighter Wing	19.52
100%	811th Air Base Group	56.10

3. Types of Injuries were as follows:

	Job	Altercations	Pedestrian	Other*	Total
31st Strategic Fighter Wing	0	0	0	0	0
508th Strategic Fighter Wing	0	0	0	0	0
811th Air Base Group	1	1	1	1	4
TOTALS	1	1	1	1	4

* Horseplay

4. There were no civilian injuries during the month.

5. One government motor vehicle accident was reported. A tractor backed under an F6 trailer to engage the fifth wheel. The trailer lifted, the trailer brakes gave away, and trailer scooted to the rear. As the front end fell, it mashed the landing gear into the tank, rupturing it. Corrective measures consist of blocking rear wheels of F6 trailers; of attaching the air hose and then locking the trailer wheels with air; then backing under the trailer to engage the fifth wheel.

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6. Trends of accidents thus far in 1953 are:

Motor Vehicle
Altercation
Pedestrian

Although this base has been fortunate in not having had a reportable injury due to vehicle operation since 1 March 1953, all must be continually vigilant in this regard. Fatal and costly accidents are occurring on the roads of this section of Georgia daily. It is hoped that the "Safe Wheels 53" campaign will avoid or minimize vehicle accidents to members of this command.

7. Newly arrived personnel will be oriented by the Ground Safety Section twice monthly. Squadron Commanders will be notified of the time, place, and personnel desired for these orientations.

8. Costs per capita (per man per month) for the month of April 1953 based on assigned strength, civilian and military, are as follows:

	Cost of Accidents	Costs per capita/mo
31st Strategic Fighter Wing	$84.	$0.08
508th Strategic Fighter Wing	$42.	$0.05
811th Air Base Group	$4,928	$1.82
TOTAL	$5,054	$1.10

BY ORDER OF COLONEL EASTON:

/s/ Thomas M. MacGlothlin
/t/ THOMAS M. MacGLOTHLIN
1st Lt. USAF
Asst Adjutant

DISTRIBUTION:
CO, 31st Strat Ftr Wg
CO, 508th Strat Ftr Wg
CO, all asgd & atchd units
811th Air Base Gp, TAFB, Ga.

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JESKM/CGADIV 806 LAKE CHARLES AFB LA
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JESTU/CGADIV 40 TURNER AFB GA
JEMP/CGCMWG 340 SEDALIA AFB MO
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R E S T R I C T E D OPSMAT EX 4401. THIS MSG IN TWO PARTS. PART I. A PROJECT IS BEING INITIATED TO REVIEW ALL UAL'S, RECOMMEND CHANGES AND REDISTRIBUTE EXCESSES. THIS WILL BEGIN 1 MAY 53 AND MUST BE COMPLETED NLT 30 JUL 53. A LTR GIVING ADD DETAILS IS BEING FWDD TO UR STA IMMED. IT IS DESIRED THAT A WELL QUALIFIED REPRESENTATIVE OF UR EQUIP REVIEW BOARD WHO IS FAMILIAR WITH THE UAL-DAL SYSTEM BE PLACED ON TDY TO THIS HQ FOR A ONE DAY CONFERENCE BEGINNING AT 0900, 28 APR 53. THE PURPOSE OF THIS CONFERENCE IS TO DISCUSS ANTICIPATED PROBLEMS IN CARRYING OUT THIS PROJECT AND CLARIFY INSTRS. IT IS DESIRED THAT THE NAME OF UR REPRESENTATIVE BE FWDD AS SOON AS PRACTICABLE. PENDING

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COMPLETION OF THIS PROJECT NO INDIVIDUAL UAL CHANGE REC W/B PROCESSED BY THE EQUIP REVIEW BOARD UNLESS SUBSTANTIATED AS AN EMERGENCY. PART II. UR ATTN IS INVITED TO AFR 14-[illegible], 23 MAR 53, PAR [illegible](2). A COMPARISON OF THE TOTAL DOLLAR VALUE OF AUTHD QTYS ON CURRENT UAL'S S/B AN INTEGRAL PART OF THE SEMI-ANNUAL REVIEW BEGINNING 1 MAY. IT IS DESIRED THAT IMMED ACT BE TAKEN TO REQUIRE ALL UNITS TO COMPUTE THE TOTAL DOLLAR VALUE OF QTYS NOW AUTHD AS TOTAL MISSION RQMTS AND THAT THIS INFO BE FWDD THROUGH CHANNELS TO REACH THIS HQ NLT 1 MAY 53.
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CO	DCO	ADJ	ASST ADJ	SGT MAJOR	DIST	DIV	S-1	COMPT	S-3	S-4	LEGAL Off	CHAP OFF	MANPOWER	PIO	BAO	AP SQ	APM	OFF CLUB	508 WR	31 WR	ZACS	WEATHER	RES SQ	LIB CLK	SQ CLK	CLASS SEC	NCO CLUB	VISIT FILE	MSG GP	DOP	[illegible]	DM				

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HEADQUARTERS 40TH AIR DIVISION
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

BASE MAT 500 14 April 1953

SUBJECT: Motor Vehicle Utilization Survey

TO: See Distribution

1. A Utilization Survey of General Purpose Motor Vehicles is now being conducted at this base by a group composed of representatives from Hq 2AF.

2. On 17 April 1953, at 0730 hours, a seven (7) day test will be initiated to determine the General Purpose Vehicle requirements of Turner Air Force Base.

3. The determination of actual vehicle requirements will, in some cases, result in a reduction in the number of vehicles or continual daily dispatch to certain using units. All essential transportation requirements, over and above that provided with regularly assigned vehicles will be provided from the Taxi Pool, which will contain sedans, pickup trucks, carryalls, and 1 1/2 ton Stake and Platform trucks.

4. Maximum use will be made of established scheduled base bus service.

5. The following rules are to be strictly adhered to in requesting transportation.

a. Calls to the Motor Pool for taxi service are to be monitored through central points within the unit activities.

b. In the event a vehicle is required longer than originally requested, the Motor Pool Dispatcher will be notified of the additional time the vehicle will be required.

c. Allow fifteen (15) minutes after initial request for taxi dispatch to provide sufficient time to provide the required vehicle, In the event vehicles do not arrive within the time limits set, call the dispatcher again.

d. In requesting transportation, provide the dispatcher with the following information:

(1) What you have to move (weight, cubage, or persons)

(2) Where you want to move it.

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(3) When you want to move it.

(4) Who wants to move it. (Person to whom driver will report, his building, room, and telephone number.) Dispatcher will prescribe vehicle, route, and probable time of arrival.

e. Taxi vehicle driver will return to the Motor Pool after any twenty minute wait during the trip.

f. Users of taxi vehicles should verify the information entered on the Trip Ticket by the vehicle driver concerning the transportation provided. Correct release time and mileage are essential information for efficient operation of the Motor Vehicle Fleet and will determine future taxi dispatch assignments.

g. Taxi transportation required during the period 0730-1000 hours should be requested, whenever possible, prior to 1630 hours the preceding day.

h. The telephone numbers of the Motor Pool Dispatcher are 304 and 305.

6. During the test period, operating problems which are attributed to insufficient transportation are to be reported to the Base S-4 Office, Ext. 542, when they arise so that immediate corrective action can be initiated.

7. All personnel will cooperate fully with the Motor Vehicle Panel Members and facilitate their work in this test wherever possible.

/s&t/ THAYER S. OLDS
Colonel, USAF
Commanding

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JOSEPH E. [illegible]URO
1st Lt., USAF

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MANAGEMENT ANALYSIS SERVICE
811th Air Base Group
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Ga.

BASE COMPT 11 May 1953

SUBJECT: Report on Motor Vehicle Utilization

TO: Commanding Officer
811th Air Base Group
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

1. SEDANS: During the month of April the number of sedans used has decreased by one, and the total mileage dropped from 9,679 to 7,555.

2. CARRYALLS: During the month of April the number of Carryalls used increased by one and the total mileage dropped from 21,356 to 19,779.

3. PICKUPS: During the month of April the number of Pickups used decreased from 63 to 58, and the total mileage increased from 45,112 in March to 47,797 in April. This caused the daily mileage to rise from 36 to the Standard set by the Air Base Group Rating System (41).

4. 1½ TON STAKE & PLATFORM TRUCKS: During the month of April the number of vehicles used remained the same and the total mileage increased from 13,594 in March to 14,985 in April. This caused the average daily mileage to rise from 31 to the Standard set by the Air Base Group Rating System (34).

5. During the last two months (March and April), the number of vehicles used has decreased from 129 to 107. The total mileage has also increased from 80,112 miles to 90,116 miles. These two factors have raised our score from 10 percent to a predicted 30 percent.

6. Two of the four rated vehicles (Pickups and 1½ Ton Stake and Platform Trucks) have attained the required daily mileage set by the Rating System. The remaining two are far below standards, causing our percentage to be low. Our total mileage for these two vehicles is decreasing each month and holding our ratings from advancing to a much higher rate.

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Base Compt, Subject: Report on Motor Vehicle Utilization

7. Attached are five (5) charts illustrating the utilization of the four (4) rated vehicles and Turner Air Force Base in comparison with Second Air Force and SAC averages.

A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

HICKS E. READ
2d Lt., USAF
Management Analysis

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HEADQUARTERS 811TH AIR BASE GROUP
Office of the Base Supply Officer
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

BASE SO-A 13 April 1953

SUBJECT: Procedure for Obtaining Supplies from GSA

TO: Service Units 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5, Receiving & Classification, and Distribution Unit

1. Effective immediately the SOP on GSA procedures is rescinded and Interim Procedure No. 221, AF Manual 67-1, is effective.

2. The following procedures will be complied with as outlined in Interim Procedure No. 221:

a. "Ship From" block, 104-B: Enter the name and address of the appropriate GSA Depot.

b. "Stock or Part Number": Enter the GSA number, with the AF Stock Number in parentheses immediately under the GSA number.

c. "Unit of Issue": Enter the GSA unit of issue and, if different from the AF unit of issue for that item, enter the AF unit of issue in parentheses immediately under the GSA unit of issue.

d. "Unit Cost": Enter the unit cost of the item as shown in the GSA Catalog. Distribution of these catalogs has been made previously.

e. Enter the total cost in the total cost column. If more than one line item is being requisitioned, this column will be added and the total inserted at the bottom.

3. The Service Units will prepare the master 104-B and one copy to be retained as a suspense copy. The master will be forwarded to the distribution unit, Base Supply, for signature and reproduction.

a. The 104-B will be signed by the Base Supply Officer and four (4) copies reproduced by the distribution unit. All copies will be stamped with the shipping code stamp previously provided for this purpose. Distribution will be made as follows:

(1) Four copies (one stamped original) to the Budget and Accounting Officer for citation of funds.

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(2) The Budget and Accounting Office, after citation of funds, retains one copy, returns one copy to the Base Supply Service Unit to replace the previous suspense copy and mails the remaining two copies to the GSA Depot.

(3) The 104-B master is forwarded to Receiving & Classification.

4. Upon receipt of supplies, Receiving & Classification annotates the 104-B, showing quantities received, types the acceptance certificate of the face thereof, signs it acknowledging receipt of the material and assigns a voucher number to it. Seven copies are then reproduced and distributed as follows:

a. One copy is retained as a file copy.

b. One copy to the Voucher Unit as a voucher suspense.

c. One copy, stamped voucher file copy, is forwarded with the material to the warehouse.

d. Three copies (representing receiving reports) are forwarded to Budget and Accounting.

e. One copy is forwarded to the Transportation Office.

5. Action to be taken on receipt of partial shipments or notice of substitution, or change affecting cost, will be as outlined in paragraph 2d and paragraph 4, Interim Procedure No. 221, AF Manual 67-1.

6. Items that can be requisitioned from GSA are items coded LP in AF Stock Lists and items authorized for LP in AFR 70-16, provided they are listed in the GSA catalog. Lists of items that are authorized to be requisitioned from GSA have been forwarded to the units previously. Stock Record Cards for LP items that appear on these lists will be flagged with a black transloid signal.

7. Replenishment requisitions will be forwarded to GSA every thirty days.

/s/ Leon Vigdor
/t/ LEON VIGDOR
Capt., USAF
Management & Procedures Officer

A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

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HEADQUARTERS 811TH AIR BASE GROUP
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

BASE COMPT 15 April 1953

SUBJECT: Weekly Progress Report

TO: Commanding Officer
811th Air Base Group
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

1. The following report on the progress of the 811th Air Base Group for the week ending 12 April 1953 is submitted for your reflection:

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b. Materiel:

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	10 Apr	10 Mar	Avg % for Mo Apr as of 10 Apr	Avg % for Mo Mar as of 10 Mar	Avg % for Mo of Mar
AOCP%	8.9	4.3	7.2	5.9	6.7
ANFE%	14.1	5.7	15.7	12.3	11.5

The above table shows an increase in both rates for the month of April as of 10 April. Low Supply Effectiveness existing at the Depots accounts mainly for the increased AOCP and ANFE percentages.

Following is a list of items which effected AOCP's and ANFE's for a period of more than 5 days.

Class	Stock Number	Nomenclature	Type A/C	QTy	Days AOCP
01L	1AND-30C23501-7	Panel Assy	F-84G 256	1	21
01L	1AND-30C85168-3	Actuator	F-84G 228	1	11
03C3	4238-R612-2	Actuator	F-84G 256	1	21
29	6700-636247-3427	Screws	F-84G 210	1	6
					Days ANFE
03L	5621-30T24400-7L	Tank Assy	F-84G 256-288	2	14
08E	5621-30T63007	Tank Assy	F-84G 3278	1	9
08G	8870-852000-545	Lamp	F-84G 32639289-3267-3259-3257-3265-3254	7	7

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JOSEPH E. ZURO, 1st Lt., USAF

/s&t/ Hicks E. Read
2nd Lt. USAF
Management Analysis

(EXHBIT 14)

HEADQUARTERS 811TH AIR BASE GROUP
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

6 May 1953

BASE COMPT

SUBJECT: Weekly Progress Report

TO: Commanding Officer
811th Air Base Group
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

1. The following report on the progress of the 811th Air Base Group for the week ending 3 May 1953 is submitted for your reflection.

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b. Materiel:

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	1 May	1 Apr	Avg % for Mo of March	Avg % for Month of April
AOCP%	6.2	7.2	6.7	7.4
ANFE%	6.9	15.2	11.5	10.4

The above table shows a .7 increase in the AOCP rate and a 1.1 decrease in the ANFE rate for April as compared to the rates of March.

It was learned from the Priority Section that in several instances in the past where the AOCP rate was unusually high or a certain part of parts were needed desperately, Second Air Force by-passed by usual procedure for supply action and obtained the parts direct from warehouses or other bases. Second Air Force definitely is interested in our AOCP rate and is doing everything possible to reduce said rate. However, the increased AOCP rate of April is due to the low supply effectiveness at depots in the Air Materiel Command and cannot be controlled by Second Air Force.

Following is a list of items which effected AOCP's and ANFE's for a period of more than 5 days:

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BASE COMPT, Subject: Weekly Progress Report

Class	Stock Number	Nomenclature	Type A/C	Qty	Days AOCP
01N	1AND-30A26001-181	Aileron	F-84G 256	1	7
01N	1AND-30L41014-10	Shim	F-84G 256	1	7
01N	1AND-30L04111-2R	Fitting	F-84G 256	1	7
01N	1AND-30L04111-26	Fitting	F-84G 256	1	7
01N	1AND-30F64132-1	Pivet	F-84G 256	1	7
03K	5505-3000	Regulator	F-84G 3263-256-245	3	6
05D	6114-102298A	Gauge	T-6 872	1	8
05D	6125-R146146	Indicator	F-84G 256	1	10
					Days ANFE
0311	4801-25000	Valve	F-84G 162	1	6
11B	5200-008956-8	Amplifier	F-84G 267	1	7

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PROJECTS BEING ADMINISTERED BY SAVANNAH DISTRICT
ENGINEERS AND AIR INSTALLATIONS OFFICE - TURNER AIR FORCE BASE

1. Projects being administered by the Savannah District Engineers:

Project Description	% Complete
Fuel Storage and Distribution (Contract 1107)	99.8
Ammunition Storage Igloos (Contract No. 1501)	100
Administration Building (Contract No. 1512)	68.5
General Purpose Warehouse (Contract No. 1515)	61
Railroad Extension to Warehouse (Contract No. 1689)	100
Communications Building (Contract No. 1707)	31
Railroad Spur to Ammunition Area (Contract No. 1720)	4

2. Projects administered by the Air Installations Office:

Rehabilitation of Hangar Doors in Bldg 5010 (50-52)	0
Installation Attic Fans in EM's Quarters (72-52)	100
Construction of Lumber Shed (16-53)	35
Addition of Eaves and Eyebrows (27-53)	70
Fire Ladders and Landings (26-53)	0
Automatic Fire Alarm Systems (10-53)	0
Paint Latrines 700 and 800 Series Type Barracks (26-53)	0
Construction of Garbage Racks, PX and Officers' Club (48-53)	0
Rehabilitation Mess Hall - Building 2002 (42-43)	0

/s/ Richard W. Orr
/t/ RICHARD W. ORR
1st Lt., USAF
Acting Air Instl Officer

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JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

EXHIBIT NO. 16

HEADQUARTERS SECOND AIR FORCE
Barksdale Air Force Base, Louisiana

1 April 1953

2AFOT 354

SUBJECT: Civil Air Patrol Summer Camps on Strategic Air Command Bases, 1953

TO: Commanding Officer
40th Air Division
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

1. Attached letter from Major General Power is forwarded for your information and compliance.

2. Headquarters USAF and SAC are actively promoting this program as a source for potential aviation cadets. If we are to bolster the faltering cadet program, a vigorous selling job must be accomplished.

3. To insure that the importance of this program is properly emphasized, Base Commanders are requested to brief all personnel who may come in contact with this program and/or CAP personnel.

4. Request that you assign an officer of Field Grade rank to be project officer for the CAP encampment and that every cooperation be given in the preparation and conduct of this program. Name of officer selected and dates selected for encampment will be forwarded to reach this headquarters not later than 22 April 1953.

FRANK A. ARMSTRONG, Jr.
Major General, USAF
Commanding

1 Incl
Ltr fr Maj Gen Power,
dtd 24 Mar 53, subj
as above.

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JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

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HEADQUARTERS 40TH AIR DIVISION
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

SPECIAL ORDERS)
NUMBER 83)

6 April 1953

E X T R A C T

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8. LT COL LAWRENCE J PICKETT 8190A Hq 40th ADiv Turner AFB Albany Ga will pro o/a 6 Apr 53 fr Turner AFB Albany Ga to Southern Pines NC CIPAP on TDY for aprx five (5) days for the purpose of ftr symposium (DPUO) and upon compl thereof will retrn to Turner AFB Albany Ga. Tvl by mil acft is dird when aval, tvl by common carr, ry, air and/or bus authd IAW AFR 75-38. Tvl vou w/b submitted to Fin O w/i five (5) working days upon compl of tvl. Fin O making pmt against this order will fwd cy of pd vou to Bud & Fisc O this sta. Govt qrs and messing fac w/b utilized to max extent aval. LT COL PICKETT is cleared for access to clasd mat up to and including TOP SECRET for the pd of this TDY. Auth: AFR 35-52, 2AFR 35-8, 2AF Msg 2AFCO 0075 dtd 1 Apr 53. TDN. 5733400 367-9400 P458-02 S09-608. Code 302.1

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BY ORDER OF COLONEL OLDS:

OFFICIAL:

EDMOND L. FORTIN
Major, USAF
Adjutant General

/s/ Joseph E. Zuro
/t/ JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF
Asst. Adj Gen.

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THOMAS M. MacGLOTHLIN
1st Lt., USAF

EXHIBIT NO. 18

811TH OPERATIONS SQUADRON
BASE OPERATIONS SECTION
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

SUBJECT: Section History for April 1953

TO: Base Historian
Turner AFB, Georgia

Training and Operations

The following is data on Base Flight aircraft, including Airplane and Flying Time for the month of April 1953:

Airplane Time:

T-6	79.35
C-47	209:55
T-7	41:55

	T-6	C-47	T-7
Training	44:15	5:10	4:30
Administrative	34:20	204:45	37:25

Flying Time by Organization

	T-6	C-47	T-7
Base Flight	32:00	321:30	45:40
307th Strat Ftr Sq	16:20	64:50	2:45
308th Strat Ftr Sq	38:40	84:15	4:40
309th Strat Ftr Sq	-	8:20	7:05
Other	18:40	-	-

Total Flying Time by Type Aircraft:

T-6	185:40
C-47	478:55
T-7	60:10

Instrument Time:

T-6	17:10
C-47	78:00
T-7	5:00

EXHIBIT NO. 19

Following are percentages of AFR 60-2 requirements completed by pilots assigned or attached to Base Flight for flying for the month of April 1953. Percentages are based on the annual requirements of 100 hours proficiency, 15 hours night and 20 hours hood and/or weather. Percentages based on twenty-seven (27) pilots present for duty.

Proficiency 89.8%

Night 93.6%

Hood and/or Weather 87.4%

Turner Tower processed two thousand five hundred and fifty (2550) take-offs and landings, sixty-seven (67) practice VHF/DF steers and seventeen (17) emergency VHF/DF steers during the month of April 1953.

During the month of April 1953 the Base Operations Dispatch Section processed three hundred and thirty (330) incoming flights, three hundred and twenty-one (321) outgoing flights, seventy-two (72) local flights and twelve (12) round robin flights, which included instrument training flights, operational missions and minimum individual training flights. There were also one hundred and twenty-six (126) transients flights processed through this station by Base Operations.

/s/ Dale K. Christians
/t/ DALE K. CHRISTIANS
2nd Lt, USAF
Asst Base Ops Officer

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811TH AIR BASE GROUP

TURNER AIR FORCE BASE, ALBANY, GEORGIA

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TURNER AIR FORCE BASE, ALBANY, GEORGIA

(SECOND AIR FORCE)

(STRATEGIC AIR COMMAND)

for

MAY 1953

Joseph E. Zuro
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Base Commander

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Colonel, USAF
40th Air Division
Commander

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CHRONOLOGY

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CHRONOLOGY

1 May 1953 - Turner's Operations "Safe Wheels" campaign began.

2 May 1953 - Colonel John J. Easton reassumed command of Turner AFB.

3 May 1953 - Second Air Force Management Team arrived this base.

6 - 17 May - Return of all units of 508th SF Wing, less unit aircraft, to Turner, ending 90 days TDY to FEAF.

11 - 13 May - Practice runs made on 31st SF Wing Mobility Plan (2AF Ops Plan 40-52 and 31st SF Wing Ops Plan 40-52) and 40th Air Division Evacuation Plan (40th Air Div Ops Plan 204-52).

16 May 1953 - Fourth Observance of ARMED FORCES DAY

18 May 1953 - Major John J. Smith assigned duty as Base Comptroller.

19 May 1953 - Brigadier General Pierre Pelissie and four other French Air Force officers arrived this base.

23 May 1953 - 100th Air Refueling Squadron (M) relieved from assignment to the 40th Air Division and transferred, less personnel and organizational property, from Turner to Lockbourne AFB, Ohio.

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ORGANIZATION AND ADMINISTRATION

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I - ORGANIZATION AND ADMINISTRATION

Major activities of the Air Division and Air Base Group during this period were connected with the return of the 508th Strategic Fighter Wing from 90 days TDY in Japan, practice runs made on the 31st Strategic Fighter Wing Mobility Plan (Operations Plan 40-52) and 40th Air Division Evacuation Plan (Operations Plan 204-52), 1/ the official opening of Turner's Operation "Safe Wheels" campaign on 1 May, 2/ the fourth observance of ARMED FORCES DAY on 16 May, 3/ and several manpower and organization matters.

The Second Air Force Management Team arrived at Turner on 3 May to assist the Base Management Program Committee in establishing the Lockbourne Management Program at this base. Work began on 4 May and, in accomplishing its mission, the team objective covered a complete presentation of the Management Program to all personnel who worked in a supervisory capacity. The team also reconciled management program problem areas which involved identification of supervisors, organizational structure, and the preparation of external and internal procedures. All units were requested to complete their external and internal procedures for submission to the Base Management Procedures Control Office by 10 June 1953.

1/ For further discussion, see below pages 13 and 17.

2/ For further discussion, see below page 9.

3/ For further discussion, see below page 23.

Word received this month from Hq Second Air Force indicated that Hq Strategic Air Command did not fully concur in the recommendation for the 22 T/O spaces for the maintenance of T-33 aircraft of the 31st and 508th Strategic Fighter Wings, although Second Air Force's proposal that T-33 aircraft be considered tactical aircraft and included in mobility planning was accepted by SAC. In line with this, support personnel and equipment for maintenance of T-33 aircraft, presently assigned the 811th Operations Squadron, had been requested for authorization and assignment to the tactical squadrons. 4/ It was contended by SAC that insufficient evidence existed to support an increase of authorizations, since fighter wings have had T-33 aircraft assigned for approximately four and one half years without generating the existing personnel requirements. Consequently, SAC requested more complete factual data relevant the maintenance of T-33 aircraft for the two wings be furnished. This data was prepared by the 31st Wing and forwarded to higher headquarters on 18 May 1953. 5/

The Base Manpower and Organization Office submitted justifications to Second Air Force for special consideration covering proposed changes to T/O for the legal section. Subsequently, this base received revised legal section T/O's from SAC which reflected the loss of one 7824 legal officer.

4/ See pg 5, 40th AD and 811ABG Hist. Rpt for Apr 1953.

5/ Ltr, Hq 40 AD, file Base MPO 320, subj: Reqmts for T-33 A/C Maint, dtd 18 May 1953 (Exhibit 1)

Changes in the T/D-A's for the 31st Medical Group were requested to augment personnel authorized for "on base" medical services not normally encountered in tactical, medical, two-wing base operation. Information from SAC revealed that the non-T/O troop program for the Fiscal Year 1954 for the 31st Medical Group authorized a total of 13 officers and 15 airmen, a reduction of five officers and 16 airmen. An amended T/D-A, reflecting the above changes was forwarded to SAC through Hq Second Air Force on 27 May 1953. 6/

Other activities of the Base Manpower Office included a survey of 40th Air Division units for the purpose of determining the number of T/O vacancies. The survey revealed that 120 airmen and 33 officer T/O vacancies existed. An evaluation of this survey is to be made during the month of June.

Word was received from Hq USAF this month that the 100th Air Refueling Squadron (M) was to be relieved from assignment to the 40th Air Division and transferred, less personnel and organizational property, from Turner AFB to Lockbourne AFB, Ohio (801st Air Division), not later than 30 June 1953. 7/ This transfer was accomplished on 23 May 1953.

Turner was visited by Brigadier General Pierre Pelissie and four other French Air Force officers on 19 May. The Division Commander

6/ Ltr, Base MPO, file 320, subj: Amended T/D-A, 31st Med Gp, dtd 27 May 1953 (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)

7/ Ltr, Hq USAF, file AFOOP-OC 370.5, subj: Movement Directive, 100th ARS (M). (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)

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welcomed the French officers to Turner with an address in the 31st Wing Briefing Room. Following the "welcome" the officers were briefed on the Organization of the Wing and FOX PETER ONE. In addition, they were taken on a tour of the Flight Line, Maintenance Control, Periodic and Field Maintenance and Squadron Operations. The officers visited Turner to familiarize themselves with materials and use of equipment received by their country through the Mutual Security Act.

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PERSONNEL

II - PERSONNEL

The month of May saw several changes from a personnel standpoint. Of primary significance was the return of the 508th Strategic Fighter Wing from 90 days TDY in Japan. Approximately 400 officers and airmen of the Air Base Group who were attached to the Wing as support personnel returned to their respective organizations and duty assignments.

Colonel John J. Easton reassumed command of the Air Base Group on 2 May 8/ when he returned from 30 days TDY with the 508th Wing in Japan. Major John J. Smith, formerly the Base Management Analysis Officer, was assigned duty as Base Comptroller upon his return from Japan, 8/ relieving 1st Lt. Harold E. Henderson, who had been acting Base Comptroller since the departure of Major Henry C. Kelley last March. Lt. Henderson reassumed full time duties as Statistical Services Officer.

The Personnel Office was faced with a problem when it became apparent that a replacement was not available within the Second Air Force to fill the vacancy created by the release from active duty of the Base Information Services Officer on 22 May. 10/ Efforts to fill the vacancy through local sources proved unavailing, however, it was the opinion of the Base Personnel Officer that suitable replacement would be obtained by the first of June. The NCOIC of the Information Services Office was placed in charge of the office, under the supervision of the Base Adjutant, until such time as an Information Services Officer could be assigned.

8/ GO 12, Hq 811th ABG, dtd 2 May 1953. (Exhibit 2)

9/ GO 13, Hq 811th ABG, dtd 18 May 1953. (Exhibit 3)

10/ Msg, 2AFPEA 1619, dtd 14 May 1953 (Exhibit 4)

The 1953 Operation "Safe Wheels" began on 1 May with a kick-off parade on the base. The Albany High School Band students from the Albany High School participated in the parade that began the "130 deathless days" period from 1 May to 7 September 1953. Following the parade, the Division Commander officially opened Turner's Safe Wheels campaign for 130 deathless days with an address to all base personnel. A second parade was held in downtown Albany the following day with more than 20 Albany organizations participating. Two hundred Turner AFB troops, the base band, and a high school band from Camilla, Georgia also participated in the Albany parade.

Weekly displayscompetition between squadrons was started on the 18th of May. Displays were to be limited to 10 feet by 10 feet and 8 feet in height and the winners of the weekly competition are to receive a "Certificate of Merit" signed by the Base Commander. The first week's competition was won by the 31st Medical Group.

All "Safe Wheels" 1953 material including "Articles of Safe Driving" from Second Air Force and "Supervisor Safety Cards" from USAF were distributed at a special briefing session to personnel of the 508th Wing and 90 per cent of the base personnel present for duty signed "Safe Wheels" pledges.

The Ground Safety Section reported eight injuries during May; two of these were carried forward from April, occurring in Japan, thus, the true report for April and May is six injuries for each month. One of the injuries was due to scooter operation, three to sports, two were

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job injuries (lifting), one was a stumble in the barracks, and the last was incurred while repairing a motorcycle. None of these, however, were serious injuries. There were no government motor vehicle accidents and no reportable civilian injuries during the month of May.

The Personal Affairs Office busied itself with preparations of a series of lectures to be given to the AFROTC cadets during their encampment here during June and July. These lectures are to cover the benefits that will be forthcoming to these students as future officers of the Air Force. Twenty-four one-hour lectures are to be given by the Personal Affairs Officer and non-commissioned officers of that section.

A plan for a complete revision of the personal affairs filing system took form during the month. This will consist of a cross reference file system, replacing the old system of filing alphabetically. Although this plan will create additional work upon the office personnel, the advantages of such a filing system are numerous; for instance, it will facilitate the semi-annual review and processing for TDY movements. Moreover, it will provide an up-to-date file on each individual assigned to the base. 11/

In connection with the Air Force Aid Society Drive to be conducted during the period 25 July through 8 August, the Personal Affairs Office this month began furnishing each unit on the base a

11/ Hist. Rpt, Pers. Affairs Ofc, May 1953 (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)

report on monthly assistance applications, to include the number of applications for assistance, number of loans made, number of grants made, amount of loans made, amount of grants made, and total, by squadron. Each of the above mentioned categories are to be broken down in order that each squadron will know the number of personnel receiving assistance.

The month of May passed with continued educational activity at the Base Education Office. The Florida State University "Operation Bootstrap" program was concluded on 27 May 1953 and final examinations were administered to students who were in good academic standing. The on-duty elementary classes passed the half-way mark this month with varied amounts of success. Basic arithmetic and basic fundamentals of English grammar and interpretation of reading materials are the primary subjects being stressed in this class. Airmen who complete the elementary classes on June 15 will be administered the Airman's Qualifying Examination by the Base Classification Office to qualify the students to attend formal Air Force technical schools.

The testing service of the Education Office slackened during the month. There were 44 high school Level General Educational Development tests administered.

A group off-duty class in French is to begin on June 3 two evenings per week. A professional French instructor from Albany will instruct the class and textbooks and materials will be supplied by the United States Armed Forces Institute.

The Civilian Personnel Office continued the classification survey of all civilian positions which is to be completed by 30 June 1953. At the month's end, the survey was 75 per cent complete.

Recruiting continued this month in an effort to fill the vacancies of General Engineer and Service Club Hostess. Two applicants were scheduled to be interviewed in early June for the Service Club vacancy.

The Personnel Office performed a number of routine duties during the month, including recruitment, 12/ administration of proficiency tests, Airmen's Qualifying Examinations, and the processing of personnel for schools. 13/

12/ Hist. Rpt, Base Recruiting Ofc, May 1953 (Exhibit 5)

13/ Extract, Hist. Rpt. fr Base Pers. Ofc, May 1953 (Exhibit 6)

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III - OPERATIONS AND TRAINING

The Division and Base Operations and Training Sections were concerned with several important operational matters during the month. Of first importance were the test runs made on the 31st Strategic Fighter Wing Mobility Plan and 40th Air Division Evacuation Plan. 14/

During the period 0900 hours, 11 May to 2400 hours, 13 May, the 31st Wing simulated the deployment of 74 F-84's and combat crews, 183 personnel, and 120,616 pounds of cargo in 14 personnel and cargo aircraft. Approximately 1200 Wing and Air Base Group personnel were processed for overseas in accordance with pertinent directives and 374,149 pounds of cargo was packed and moved to the loading area for deployment. 15/

In future mobility plans it was recommended that authority be granted to activate the Air Base Group in its entirety, authority of which should be furnished this base for use under the conditions under which deployment would be instituted. Also, it was suggested that SAC include in its Administrative Annex to the Operations Order the authority for personnel of the Air Base Group, moving with the tactical unit, to move as a detachment of the Air Base Group with Morning Report authority.

The above is merely a brief summary of the test runs as they

14/ 2AF Ops Plan 40-52, 31st SFW Ops Plan 40-52, and 40 AD Ops Plan 204-52. (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)

15/ Narrative Rpts, covering test runs on above Ops Plans, dtd 18 June 1953. (On file, Classified Sect. Base Adjutant's Ofc, TAFB)

affected the Air Base Group. A complete report, together with all problems encountered and deficiencies noted during the tests, and recommendations for future mobility plans can be found in Attachment I to the 31st Strategic Fighter Wing History for May 1953. 16/

The Division Operations Office was also concerned during the month with coordinating matters pertaining to the fighter gunnery training of the 309th Strategic Fighter Squadron of the 31st Wing. The Air Division Director of Operations and the 309th Squadron Commander visited MacDill AFB on the 15th of May to discuss the possibility of using that base for fighter gunnery training during June, July and August. 17/

Word was received on 28 May from Second Air Force that plans were being formulated to conduct a Red Cross training program for basic swimming instructors from all Second Air Force stations. 18/ This program is to be conducted at Turner from 15 June to 19 June 1953. Turner is to be allotted a quota of three airmen to attend this indoctrination, purpose of which is to train and qualify airmen as basic swimming instructors to instruct flying personnel who cannot pass the swimming proficiencies required by SAC Regulation 50-12 and 2AF Reg 50-6. Airmen who are to be nominated to attend this program will be selected from personnel who operate the local aquatic survival and

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16/ Attchmt I, 31st SFW Hist. Rpt, May 1953. (File cy in Base Adjutant's Ofc, Classified Sect. TAFB, Ga.)

17/ Msg, 2AFOO 4685, dtd 16 Apr 1953 (Exhibit 7)

18/ Ltr, 2AF, subj: Red Cross Training Program. (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)

swimming proficiency program.

Plans continued this month for the summer encampment of 125 Civil Air Patrol cadets and 254 AFROTC students that are scheduled to arrive at Turner on 6 June and 21 June, respectively. A well-rounded recreational program was to be set up as well as the regular training program.

The Base Communications Office completed all telephone work orders covering the initial installation of equipment in the new administration building.

The Wire Maintenance Section installed more than 12,000 feet of rubber covered cable in further rehabilitating the Defense and Central Security System. Additional cable is to be installed when received. The Base Defense switchboard is to be moved within the near future to Building No. 1505, which will house the Central Security Headquarters. The process of converting all the private lines from the old W-110 field lines to the new rubber covered cable was started this month by the Wire Section. Work is to begin next month in converting all the Base Defense phones from the old W-110 field wire to the new rubber cable. An emergency installation of 3500 feet of rubber cable in the underground ducts, running from the new Control Tower out to the GCS unit on the opposite side of the main runway, became necessary when the old rubber covered cable that had been in use completely failed in insulation qualities. When the Base Defense

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System is completed, all the old unusable rubber covered cable is to be removed from the underground ducts and taken out of service. Over 30 miles of W-110 field wire that was not being utilized in the 31st Wing area was removed this month.

The Range Section of the Air Base Training Flight fired 428 airmen with the carbine, caliber .30 and 12 officers with the caliber .45 pistol. Sixty-five officers and airmen were trained in Security Indoctrination. In addition, the Flight trained and tested five officers in Morse Code. 19/

The Base Training Flight prepared the June Master Ground Training Schedule this month for dissemination to all base units.

Base Flight aircraft flew a total of 337:10 during the month without accident. 20/ The Turner Tower processed 3,134 take-offs and landings, 181 practice VHF/DF steers, and two emergency VHF/DF steers during the month. The AFR 60-2 requirements completed by pilots assigned or attached to Base Flight were: proficiency, 93.9 per cent; night, 96.1 per cent; and hood and/or weather, 95.6 per cent.

19/ Base Flt Trng Hist. Rpt, May 1953 (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)

20/ Base Ops Hist. Rpt, May 1953 (Exhibit 8)

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IV - MATERIEL

The UAL-BAL project initiated last month by Second Air Force got underway this month. The Base Materiel Office issued a directive to all units on the base with instructions concerning the review of UAL's and preparation of the SAC Form 144. 21/ The Equipment Review Board was given the authority for final approval on authorizations for variable items, a list of which was to be furnished this base by Second Air Force. The UAL-BAL project was fifty per cent complete at month's end. 22/

The Base Materiel Office was responsible for providing adequate facilities and transportation during the practice runs of the 40th Air Division Operations Plan 204-52 and 31st Strategic Fighter Wing Operations Plan 40-52. 23/ It was determined that adequate facilities were available and in use for the purpose of weighing baggage and loading passengers aboard the transport aircraft, however, in some instances, it was found that excessive items were delivered and made available for transportation. Action was taken to correct this discrepancy, however. From a transportation standpoint, it was agreed that an additional 10 or 12 moving van type vehicles and 10 37-passenger buses would be required to completely evacuate the Wing within the time allotted. 24/

21/ Ltr, 40AD, file Base Mat, subj: Additional Instr for Semi-Annual Review of UAL-BAL's, dtd 5 May 1953 (Exhibit 9)

22/ Interview with Lt. Col. Chester M. Campbell, Base Mat. Officer.

23/ See above page 13 for further discussion.

24/ Narrative Rpts - Ops Plans, dtd 18 Jun 1953. (On file, Classified Sect. Base Adjutant's Ofc, Hq TAFB, Ga.)

Upon receipt of revised copies of 2AF Manual 65-1 this month in the Base Supply Office, necessary steps were taken by the Service Units to revise their system accordingly for expediting aircraft parts. Special emphasis was to be placed on the proper preparation of AF Form 2, which is the Delivery Control Register, a form that is drawn up to cover all information and instances encountered by the radio and telephone operator. By utilizing this form, a complete record of calls, items, action, availability, and time percentage for delivery can be maintained.

During the first half of the month there was a slight decrease in the AOCP and ANFE rates as compared to the rates for the same period in April, as reflected in the average AOCP percent of 5.9 and ANFE per cent of 7.7 as of 8 May 1953. The overall improvement in the AOCP rate for the entire month amounted to 1.8 per cent, while the ANFE rate reflected an increase of 3. for the average per cent for the month. 25/ The AOCP rate was affected directly by the supply effectiveness of the depots, and, in some instances, where a certain part or parts were desperately needed, both the 31st and 508th Wings used their planes to pick up needed items directly from the supply depots, thus eliminating the usual slow procedure.

The VOCP rate showed a .2 per cent decrease for the period ending 15 May while the VOCM rate shoed a .5 increase as compared to the

25/ Weekly Progress Rpt, Base Compt Ofc, dtd 13 May 1953 (Exhibit 10)

the period ending 15 April. 26/ By month's end, the VOCP and VOCM rates had shown slight improvement with a VOCP rate of 1 percent and VOCM rate of 2 per cent, an overall VOC improvement of .4 per cent for the month.

Progress was made throughout the month on several building projects. 27/ The Fuel Storage and Distribution (Contract 1107) was completed this month by the Savannah District Engineers. Air Installations completed the addition of Eaves and Eyebrows to Certain Buildings (27-53). Other projects nearing completion included the new Administration Building (Contract 1512), which, by the end of the month, was 84 per cent complete; General Purpose Warehouse (Contract 1515) was 75 per cent complete, and Railroad Spur to Ammunition Area (Contract 1720) was 79 per cent complete at month's end.

Work was started on two new projects that were approved this month. These included Flyaway Kit Warehouse (19-53) and Special Weapons Training Area (33-53). Work was also started on the rehabilitation of Mess Hall, Building 2002 (42-53), and the Construction of Garbage Racks, PX and Officers' Club (48-53).

26/ Weekly Progress Rpt, Base Compt Ofc, dtd 27 May 1953 (Exhibit 11)

27/ Projects administered by Savannah Dist. Engr. and AIO. (Exhibit 12)

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The Base Service Club continued its program of providing relaxation and recreation for the airmen. The Bingo program was made more popular by the addition of such items as bathing suits, sports shirts, leather luggage, and many other items. The patio was used this month for most of the evening programs because of the heat factor. Air conditioning is to be installed during the first week of June which will be a valuable factor in the club's program planning. A check was received this month through a special grant from SAC in the amount of $5,000.00 for the purchasing of Service Club furniture.

The fishing and picnicking area at the Base boat dock was the scene of much activity this month. Approximately 1,779 persons made use of these facilities during the month. Three (3) 3.0 h.p. motors were received from SAC through a special grant. Also, three new boats were expected to be received in the near future.

The Base Exchange requested permission from its Regional Office in Atlanta to stock leather craft, plastic wood, master craft paint sets, etc. for base personnel who are interested in small crafts. Permission was granted and the new material was to be ready for sale by 8 June 1953.

In the field of sports, a new league (International), composed of units from the 508th Wing, was formed this month at the Athletic Council meeting. This league is to play on Friday of each week. The

Turner Baseball Team won two games from MacDill AFB in the Southeastern Conference competition. Also on the sports program this month was the tennis tournament. Fourteen men signed for the tournament and matches were held regularly throughout the month.

Interest in the Base Education program continued this month. In addition to the regular elementary classes and the Florida State University "Operation Bootstrap" program, 28/ the Base Education Office conducted classes twice each week for the Rehabilitation Flight in basic English and arithmetic with emphasis upon the interpretation of reading materials.

At the suggestion of the Base Character Guidance Council, the Base Exchange investigated the feasibility of installing coin operated automatic washing machines in the airmen's living quarters. The Base Exchange was opposed for several reasons; the cost of operation and competition with the laundry and dry cleaning contractor. Steps were then taken to get a civilian to build a laundry and dry cleaning plant on the base in order to provide the desired type of service.

The commercial bus company was contacted this month by base officials with a view toward revising the bus schedule and re-routing. This was done with the result that the men were enjoying much better service at month's end. The regular bus schedule that was set up last

28/ See above page 11 for further discussion.

month from the base to Radium Springs, a swimming resort, on evenings and week-ends is another factor that has boosted the morale of the airmen.

The Base Character Guidance Council also suggested that water coolers be installed in all squadron day rooms. It was found that water coolers had been allocated the base, but were slated to be installed in barracks. Again, it was suggested that squadron funds be used to purchase water coolers for the day rooms.

The reason for delay in spending money in the "Airmen's Living Improvement Fund" was explained by the Division Commander this month in an open letter published in the 15 May issue of the Base newspaper.[29/] An airmen's and officers' committee had met several times in the past few months to discuss the expenditure of the Fund and on practically every suggestion, the committee was stymied by regulations or public laws prohibiting the expenditure of non-appropriated funds due to the fact that Turner was considered a permanent base. This, in itself, caused considerable delay. However, during this month plans were made for the construction of a picnic pavilion to consist of a concrete floor, partly under a roof supported by columns. The columns are to be designed so as to be off the floor to allow for more space. An effort is to be made to make the floor satisfactory for dancing. Also, electrical outlets and facilities for preparing food are to be made available at the picnic pavilion.

29/ Base Newspaper, "FIGHTERS IN-FORMATION" dtd 15 May 1953 (See Exhibit 13)

The balance of the funds are to be used to make improvements in the base hobby shop.

The Turner Aero Club moved its operations back to the Albany Municipal Airport this month. The reason for the move was four-fold. First, there was no hangar space for the Aero Club's planes with the return of the 508th Wing's planes. Second, the future construction at Turner AFB prohibited the building of the proposed hangars on the field. Third, the traffic problems that would result when both the 31st and 508th Wings' planes are at Turner. And fourth, the prevailing winds that prevail 60 per cent of the time across the runways made it difficult for the inexperienced pilots to make landings and take-offs. A bus schedule was set up to bring Turner personnel living on the base to the airport in order to get in their flying hours. An increase in funds permitted the Aero Club to purchase an Aeronca Champion---a two-place plane, bringing the total number of planes owned by the club to six.

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VI - SPECIAL PROJECTS

Armed Forces Day

The week beginning 11 May was devoted to building up awareness of the significance of ARMED FORCES DAY. Thirteen store windows in the Albany shopping area were decorated with appropriate Armed Forces Day displays. Speakers from Turner appeared before civic clubs in Dawson, Cuthbert, Americus, Moultrie, and Albany during Armed Forces Week. On the morning of 16 May an Armed Forces Day parade was held in the city of Albany with an estimated 35,000 spectators. Participating in the parade were seven bands, airborne troops from Fort Bragg, North Carolina, marines from the Albany Marine Corps Depot, Air Force troops, Veterans of the Spanish American War, American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Boy and Girl Scouts, several civic clubs, and educational institutions.

Open house was held at Turner AFB on Saturday afternoon. Ten aircraft were on display, including two Navy aircraft from Jacksonville, Florida Naval Air Station. The most popular display on the flight line was the huge KC-97 Aerial Tanker, equipped with refueling boom. Other aircraft on display included an F-84 Thunderjet, a T-33 trainer and two types of prop-driven trainers, an RF-80 Photo Reconnaissance plane, flown here from Shaw AFB, South Carolina,

a C-47, and a SA-16A Air Rescue ship brought up from West Palm Beach AFB, Florida.

Buses from the Base Motor Pool were used to take loads of visitors on 20-minute tours around the base. Tours included one stop----- a visit to the 307th Pilots' Ready Room, and then continued around the base. Guides from the Base Information Services Office went along with each tour and pointed out spots of interest on the Base.

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ROSTER OF KEY PERSONNEL

Headquarters 40th Air Division

As of 1 May 1953

Colonel Thayer S. Olds	Division Commander
Colonel Joe R. Williams	Director of Personnel (Prim dy) Executive Officer (Add dy)
Colonel Robert P. Montgomery	Director of Operations
Lt. Col. Lawrence J. Pickett	Operations Staff Officer
Major Harry P. Wagner	Operations Staff Officer
Colonel Albert V. Kanig	Director of Materiel
1st Lt. Ben F. Sands	Aide to the Commander

811th Air Base Group

As of 1 May 1953

Colonel John J. Easton	(TDY - FEAF)
Lt. Col. George K. Sykes	Commanding Officer
Major Edmond L. Fortin	Base Adjutant
Captain Carl T. Rebentisch	Base Personnel Officer
Lt. Col. Fred L. Houck	Base Manpower Officer
Lt. Col. Chester M. Campbell	Base Materiel Officer
Lt. Col. Chester M. Conrad	Base Operations & Training Officer
Major John S. Dennis	Staff Judge Advocate
Major (Chaplain) Luther W. McArthur	Base Chaplain
Captain L. O. Savage	Base Information Services Officer

Roster of Key Personnel - 811th AB Group (Cont'd)

1st Lt. Harold E. Henderson	Base Comptroller
Lt. Col. Chester M. Conrad	CO, 811th Operations Squadron
Major Melford A. Loeffler	CO, 811th Supply Squadron
Major Johnnie P. Harlow	CO, 811th Air Police Squadron
Major Henry A. Blood	CO, 811th Motor Vehicle Squadron
Captain Charles W. McRae	CO, 811th Food Service Squadron
1st Lt. Richard W. Orr	CO, 811th Installations Squadron
Major Vernie G. Black	CO, Headquarters Squadron Section, 811th Air Base Group

Headquarters 40th Air Division

As of 31 May 1953

Colonel Thayer S. Olds	Division Commander
Colonel Jor R. Williams	Director of Personnel (Prim dy) Executive Officer (Add dy)
Colonel Robert P. Montgomery	Director of Operations
Lt. Col. Lawrence J. Pickett	Operations Staff Officer
Major Harry P. Wagner	Operations Staff Officer
Colonel Albert V. Kanig	Director of Materiel
1st Lt. Ben F. Sands	Aide to the Commander

811th Air Base Group

As of 31 May 1953

Colonel John J. Easton	Commanding Officer
Lt. Col. George K. Sykes	Deputy Commanding Officer
Major Edmond L. Fortin	Base Adjutant

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Roster of Key Personnel - 811th AB Group (Cont'd)

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Lt. Col. Chester M. Campbell	Base Materiel Officer
Captain Carl T. Rebentisch	Base Personnel Officer
Lt. Col. Fred L. Houck	Base Manpower Officer
Major John S. Dennis	Staff Judge Advocate
Major (Chaplain) Luther W. McArthur	Base Chaplain
Major John J. Smith	Base Comptroller
Lt. Col. Chester M. Conrad	CO, 811th Operations Squadron
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Major Johnnie P. Harlow	CO, 811th Air Police Squadron
Major Vernie G. Black	CO, Headquarters Squadron Section 811th Air Base Group

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APPENDIX

HEADQUARTERS 40TH AIR DIVISION
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

BASE MPO 320 18 May 1953

SUBJECT: Requirements for T-33 Aircraft Maintenance

TO: Commanding General
Second Air Force
ATTN: Manpower and Organization
Barksdale Air Force Base
Louisiana

1. In compliance with letter 2AFPLC 320, your headquarters Subject, Requirements for T-33 Aircraft Maintenance, dated 18 April 1953, the following factual data relevant the maintenance of the 31st Strategic Fighter Wing and the 508th Strategic Fighter Wing T-33 aircraft is submitted.

a. The assignment of additional unrelated type aircraft to a Fighter Wing without authorization for maintenance support personnel violates all principles of adequate maintenance management. The system and components of different types of aircraft requires specialized training and know-how to support these systems and components.

b. The personnel authorized within a Fighter Wing is predicated upon the amount necessary to support a given number of aircraft. The assignment of T-33 aircraft to the 31st Strategic Fighter Wing has generated a requirement for a monthly expenditure of manhours which has been accomplished with T/D-A airmen as follows:

(1)	Flight Line Maintenance	1209:30
(2)	Field Maintenance	1228:00
(3)	Periodic Maintenance	503:00
(4)	Armament & Electronics Maint.	32:25
	Total	2972:55

c. The above total manhour expenditure represents a requirement of seventeen (17) airmen. The following breakdown by AFSC, grade, and duty is deemed the minimum essential requirement to support six (6) T-33 type aircraft.

EXHIBIT 1

SUBJ: Requirements for T-33 Aircraft Maintenance, dtd 18 May 1953.

AFSC	No.	Grade	Duty	Unit
43170	1	T/Sgt	Flight Chief	Flight Line Maintenance
43151H	6	S/Sgt	Crew Chief	Crew Chief
43171H	1	T/Sgt	Dock Chief	Periodic Maintenance
43151H	2	S/Sgt	Dock Crew	Periodic Maintenance
43153	2	S/Sgt	Power Plant	Field Maintenance
43170	1	T/Sgt	Aero Repair	Field Maintenance
43151M	3	S/Sgt	Aero Repair	Field Maintenance
30150	1	S/Sgt	Film Radio & Radar	Armament & Electronics Maintenance

2. In support of the above justification, two (2) proposals are suggested in order of priority for further study and any future action necessary.

a. T/O assignment of personnel:

(1) As indicated in Second Air Force message, 2AFPLC 4331, dated 7 March 1953, planning is underway to include T-33 aircraft in mobility planning which means that support personnel will be included in any Mobility Plan as T/O type personnel.

(2) It is further recommended that flight line personnel indicated in paragraph 1c above be incorporated into a T/O change request which is also indicated in the above cited Second Air Force message and that the T/O change be incorporated in the Wing Headquarters Squadron T/O. If such action is accomplished, these personnel may then be assigned to one squadron for duty as all T-33 aircraft will be assigned to one squadron for economical management of personnel and equipment.

b. T/D-A assignment of personnel:

(1) If T-33 aircraft are not to be included in mobility planning, then it is recommended that the flight line personnel be assigned to one tactical squadron as an additional flight. The balance of personnel would be assigned as indicated in paragraph 1 c above as T/D-A spaces.

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SUBJ: Requirements for T-33 Aircraft Maintenance, dtd 18 May 1953.

(2) Consolidation into one flight as indicated above would also conserve ancillary equipment and insure maximum utilization of personnel.

3. In view of the above justification and proposals, it is strongly recommended that the present authorization be continued either as a T/O or T/D-A allocation.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

/s/ Edmond L. Fortin
/t/ EDMOND L. FORTIN
Major, USAF
Adjutant

A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

JOSEPH E. ZERO
1st Lt., USAF

HEADQUARTERS 811TH AIR BASE GROUP
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

GENERAL ORDERS)
NUMBER 12)

2 May 1953

REASSUMPTION OF COMMAND

Pursuant to authority contained in Air Force Regulation 24-1, the undersigned reassumes command of the 811th Air Base Group vice LIEUTENANT COLONEL GEORGE K. SYKES, 9763A.

/s/ John J. Easton
/t/ JOHN J. EASTON
Colonel, USAF
Commanding

A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

EXHIBIT 2

HEADQUARTERS 811TH AIR BASE GROUP
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

GENERAL ORDERS)
NUMBER 13)

18 May 1953

Announcement is made of the appointment of MAJOR JOHN J SMITH A0799662 (0051D) Headquarters 811th Air Base Group, as Comptroller vice FIRST LIEUTENANT HAROLD E HENDERSON A01904235 eff 11 May 1953.

BY ORDER OF COLONEL EASTON:

OFFICIAL:

EDMOND L. FORTIN
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Adjutant

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EXHIBIT 3

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FM CAF 2 BARKSDALE AFB LA

TO COADIV 40 TURNER AFB LA

2AFPEA 1619. REF UR MSG BASE PERS 467 9 MAY 53 PERTAINING TO REPLACEMENT FOR CAPT SAVAGE. A PIO OFF CANNOT BE FURNISHED YOUR COMD FROM RESOURCES AVAL TO HQ 2AF. LT GARDNER 806AD, IS NOT AVAL FOR ASGMT TO 40AD BECAUSE OF THE CRITICAL SHORTAGE OF ADMINISTRATIVE OFS PRESENTLY ASSIGNED 806AD. RECOMMEND EVERY EFFORT BE MADE TO REPLACE CAPT SAVAGE FROM RESOURCES AVAL YOUR COMD. THIS CONFIRMS TP CONVERSATION BETWEEN CAPT REBENTISCH AND MAJ JORDAN 12 MAY 53.

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A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

EXHIBIT NO. 4

RECRUITING OFFICE
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

6 June 1953

SUBJECT: Historical Report for the month of May 1953

TO: Personnel & Administration Office
Headquarters 811th Air Base Group
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

1. A total of Two (2) reenlistments were accomplished by Base Recruiting Office during the month of May 1953.

2. The following is a breakdown of enlistments by squadrons:

a Headquarters 3944th Radar Bomb Scoreing Squadron 1

b Headquarters 811th Air Base Group 1

Total--2

3. One (1) was a regular reenlisted at this base from another base within thirty (30) days.

4. Eleven (11) Applications were received and processed for Aviation Cadet during the month of May.

5. Twelve (12) Applications were received and processed for Officer Candidate School during the month of May.

for Donald D. Green 1st Lt USAF
CALVIN C. RAY
CAPTAIN USAF
Recruiting Officer

EXHIBIT 5

BASE PERSONNEL SECTION
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

BASE PERS 314.7 4 June 1953

SUBJECT: Historical Report - Base Pers for the Month of May 1953

TO: Base Historian
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

E X T R A C T

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The following number of personnel met the Classification Board during the month of May 1953:

Officers	10	
Airmen (Basic & Reservists)		47
Airman (other)	77	

The AQE Test was issued to thirty-three (33) airmen during the month of May, and the Job Knowledge Test was given to fourteen (14) airmen.

Test scores have been received for the Primary Test Cycle on test in the 64, 43, and the 70 career fields. Secondary Cycle Scores were received in the same career fields. These tests were administered in March, 1953.

The Airman Proficiency Tests were administered to a total of 250 airmen during the month of May 1953, of which number forty-five (45) were in the 60 career field, twelve (12) were in the 27 career field, thirty-nine (39) were in the 96 career field, nineteen (19) were in the 73 career field, thirty (30) were in the 62 career field, twenty-seven (27) were in the 29 career field, twenty-eight (28) in the 46 career field, and thirty-six (36) were in the 47 career field.

The Base Processing Section processed the following personnel during the month of May 1953:

Incoming Personnel:

Officers	12
Airmen (Basics & Reservists) .	37
Airmen (Other)	178

EXHIBIT 6

Base Pers. Sec. TAFB, Ga. BASE PERS 314.7, Subj: Historical Report - Base Pers for the Month of May 1953.

Outgoing Personnel

Officers (TDY)	10
Officers (PCS)	6
Officers (Released)	3
Airmen (TDY)	40
Airmen (PCS)	120
Airmen (Released)	8

Strength figures for the 811th Air Base for the month of May 1953 were:

	Authorized	Assigned
As of 1 May 53		
Officers	121	118
Airmen	1747	2009
As of 31 May 53		
Officers	121	110
Airmen	1747	2079

The following list is a breakdown of officers, in a training status, for the month of May 1953:

Officers attending schools as of 1 May 1953	16
Officers departed for schools in May 1953	0
Officers returned from schools in May 1953	2
Officers attending schools as of 31 May 1953	14

The following list is a breakdown, by course, of the airmen who departed for schools during the month of May, 1953.

2 - PIO School at Fort Slocum, New York
2 - Cummins 100 KW Course, Francis E. Warren AFB, Wyoming
1 - Ground Radio Equipment, Scott AFB, Illinois
1 - Special Teletype School at Chicago, Illinois
1 - Fascimili Equipment, Scott AFB, Illinois
1 - Crypto Machine Repair, Francis E. Warren AFB, Wyoming

Two hundred and eighty-seven (287) airmen were attending schools as of 31 May 1953.

/s/& /t/ John E. Schnell
Capt., USAF
Base Personnel Officer

A CERTIFIED TRUE EXTRACT COPY:

JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

FM CG2AF BARKSDALE AFB LA

TO JESDL/CGADIV 6 MACDILL AFB FLA

JESTU/CO 40TH AIR DIV TURNER AFB GA

RESTRICTED/2AFOO 4685.

FOR 40TH ADIV: YOU ARE AUTHORIZED TO USE MACDILL AFB AS A GUNNERY STAGING BASE DURING MONTHS OF JUNE, JULY AND AUGUST. AVON PARK RANGES WILL BE USED FOR GROUND GUNNERY BOMBING AND ROCKETRY AND THE SARASOTA RANGE WILL BE USED FOR AERIAL GUNNERY. THE REGULATIONS PERTAINING TO THE USE OF THESE RANGES ARE AT PRESENT UNDERGOING REVISION AND WILL BE FORWARDED UPON COMPLETION. OPERATIONS ORDERS DIRECTING THE USE OF MACDILL, ALONG WITH A LIST OF VARIOUS BASE REQUIREMENTS WILL BE FORWARDED TO THIS HEADQUARTE S AND TO MACDILL AFB TO ARRIVE AT LEAST SEVEN DAYS PRIOR TO ARRIVAL OF THE FIRST SQD. ROTATION OF SQUADRONS OF THE 31ST SFW WILL BEGIN on 15 JUN 53 AND TAKE PLACE EACH TWO WEEKS UNTIL 30 JUL. 508TH SFW WILL ROTATE SQDNS EACH 10 DAYS BEGINNING 1 AUG THRU 31 AUG 53. FOR 6TH ADIV; REQ YOU FURNISH NORMAL BASE SUPPORT FOR UNITS AND PERIODS AS OUTLINED ABOVE. FOR BOTH; DIRECT COMMUNICATIONS BETWEEN HQ 6TH ADIV AND 40TH ADIV AUTHORIZED FOR COORDINATION OF DETAILS.

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A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

EXHIBIT 7

811TH AIR BASE GROUP
811TH OPERATIONS SQUADRON
BASE OPERATIONS SECTION
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

SUBJECT: Base Operations - Section History for May 1953

TO: Base Historian
Turner Air Force Base
Georgia

E X T R A C T

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TRAINING AND OPERATIONS

The following is data on Base Flight aircraft, including Airplane and Flying Time for the month of May 1953:

Airplane Time:

T-6	72:15
C-47	201:35
T-7	63:20

	T-6	C-47	T-7
Training	53:10	6:25	25:25
Administrative	19:05	195:10	37:55

Flying Time by Organization:	T-6	C-47	T-7
Base Flight	39:40	317:20	83:35
307th Strat Ftr Sq	6:15	58:20	
308th Strat Ftr Sq	11:15	5:35	3:15
309th Strat Ftr Sq		20:20	
466th Strat Ftr Sq	15:20	8:35	
467th Strat Ftr Sq		8:00	6:10
468th Strat Ftr Sq	30:05	47:55	13:55

Total Flying Time by Type Aircraft.

T-6	102:35
C-47	466:05
T-7	106:55

EXHIBIT 8

Instrument Time

T-6	11:35
C-47	71:15
T-7	6:20

Following are percentages of AFR 60-2 requirements completed by pilots assigned or attached to Base Flight for flying for the month of May 1953. Percentages are based on the annual requirements of 100 hours proficiency, 15 hours night and 20 hours hood and/or weather. Percentages based on (31) pilots present for duty.

Proficiency	93.9%
Night	96.1%
Hood and/or Weather	95.6%

Turner Tower processed three thousand one hundred and thirty four (3134) take-offs and landings, one hundred and eightyone (181) practice VHF/DF steers, and two (2) emergency VHF/DF steers during the month of May 1953.

During the month of May 1953 the Base Operations Dispatch Section processed five hundred and five (505) incoming flights, four hundred and eighty-five (485) outgoing flights, forty seven (47) local flights and twenty-four (24) round robin flights which included instrument training flights, operational missions and minimum individual training flights. There were also two hundred and ninety eight transient flights processed through this station by Base Operations.

/s/ Eugene W. Wolfe
/t/ EUGENE W. WOLFE
Capt. USAF
Base Operations Officer

A CERTIFIED TRUE EXTRACT COPY:

JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

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HEADQUARTERS 40TH AIR DIVISION
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

BASE UNIT

5 May 1963

SUBJECT: Additional Instructions for Semi-Annual Review of UAL BAL's

TO: See Distribution

1. Following instructions are forwarded concerning the review of UAL's for information and necessary action in preparation of the SAC Form 144.

a. All units will use one copy of their UAL's to record recommended changes, additions, and/or deletions.

b. The Equipment Review Board has been given the authority for final approval on authorizations for variable items. Information from 2AF Headquarters indicates that a list of variable items will be forwarded in the near future to this base.

c. Units are requested to be practical when listing nomenclature on stock-listed items. Give information to properly identify the item without requiring the Equipment Review Board to refer to stock lists.

d. Instead of listing justifications for the items requested on the back of the form, units will indent to the end of the major noun describing the item in the nomenclature column. Units are cautioned to be sure to make this indentation. Justifications will be included for all items added as well as items to be deleted and should be as brief as possible.

e. In cases where two squadrons use the same facilities, as in the case of Field Maintenance Squadrons, each squadron will list the base support equipment authorized by ECL's on their UAL's.

f. All special purpose vehicles will be listed on the UAL of the using units or activity.

2. As of this date, SAC Forms 144 and SAC Reg 400-8 are available at Base Publications in sufficient quantities to meet unit requirements. However, in view of the fact that some units are scheduled to meet the Equipment Review Board prior to having sufficient time to properly execute this form, these units are instructed to bring their work copy of their UAL with justifications for additions and changes to the Board for review.

EXHIBIT 9

Hq 40th ADiv, TAFB, Subj: Additional Instructions for Semi-Annual Review of UAL B.L's

3. In addition to instructions contained in AAC Reg 400-8 and illustration shown, units are instructed to be accurate in listing stock numbers and nomenclature, also to be accurate in non-listed descriptions by placing the major noun first in the nomenclature column describing the item. Example:

7930-NL01500 - Clipper Wire (Correct)

7930-NL01500 - Wire Clipper (Incorrect)

4. Forms will be assembled in the following books:

a. Book I, containing all additions requested.

b. Book II, containing all deletions requested.

c. Book III, containing all changes to items already on approved unit UAL's.

d. N/I items in each class will be listed at the end of that class.

5. Units have been advised by 2AFMSA 5321 message that all fluorescent type fixtures except desk lamps, venetian blinds, window shades, evaporative coolers, and space heaters permanently attached to the utility systems are considered to be installed equipment. These items at the present on unit UAL's will be listed as deletions on AAC Form 144, using this message as authority. Equipment on hand will be transferred from unit accountability to the installed records in the form of a turn-in slip to Base Supply.

6. Following reports are required in connection with this project. These reports will be submitted to the Equipment Review Board through the Base Director of Materiel.

a. Total dollar value of each UAL after review by the Equipment Review Board.

b. Total dollar value and quantity of excesses on hand in each organization as of 1 May 1953.

c. Quantity and total dollar value of excess items that have been:

(1) Redistributed
(2) Turned-in
(3) Being held
(4) Percent of action taken on all excesses

CARL H. NEISWENDER
Major, USAF
Recorder, Equipment Review Board

DISTRIBUTION:
CO, 31st SFW
CO, 708th SFW
CO, All Units Assgnd or Attchd TAFB

HEADQUARTERS 811TH AIR BASE GROUP
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

BASE COMPT

13 May 1953

SUBJECT: Weekly Progress Report

TO: Commanding Officer
811th Air Base Group
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

1. The following report on the progress of the 811th Air Base Group for the week ending 10 May 1953 is submitted for your reflection.

a. Personnel

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b. Materiel:

(1)

	8 May	8 Apr	Avg % for Mo May as of 8 May	Avg % for Mo Apr as of 8 Apr	Avg % for Mo of Apr
AOCP%	6.8	6.3	5.9	6.6	7.4
ANFE%	14.3	17.2	7.7	15 .8	10.4

The above table shows a decrease of .7 in the AOCP rate and 8.1 in the ANFE rate for the month of May as of 8 May as compared to the rates during the same period last month. As stated in the last Weekly Progress Report, the AOCP rate is affected directly by the supply effectiveness of the depots; therefore, any attempt to improve the rate will have to be concentrated on the depots.

(2) There is a decrease of .5 in the VOC Status for the period ending 1 May 1953 as compared to the period ending 31 March 1953. The 811th Air Base Group is still below the VOC Standard used by Second Air Force by 2.7.

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Base Compt, Subject: Weekly Progress Report

	Period Ended 31 Mar 53	Period Ended 1 May 53	Standard Used By 2AF
VOCP%	1.8	1.0	2.5
VOCM%	1.0	1.3	2.5
VOC%	2.8	2.3	5.0

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/s/ Hicks E. Read
/t/ HICKS E. READ
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Management Analysis

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HEADQUARTERS 811TH AIR BASE GROUP
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a. Personnel.

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b. Materiel:

(1)	1 Jun	1 May	Avg % for Mo. of May	Avg % for Mo. of Apr
AOCP%	9.2	6.2	5.6	7.4
AN FE%	23.0	6.9	13.4	10.4

The above table shows a decrease of 1.8 in the AOCP rate and an increase of 3. in the ANFE rate for the average percent for month of May as compared to the previous month. Although the rates as of 1 June 1953 are high, it was learned from Priority Section that both rates have dropped to normal in the past few days. Both Wings have been using their planes to pick up items needed directly from the supply depots, thus eliminating the usual slow procedure.

/s/ Charles L. LaVergne
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EXHIBIT 11

AIR INSTALLATIONS OFFICE
TURNER AIR FORCE BASE
ALBANY, GEORGIA

3 June 1953

SUBJECT: Historical Report

TO: Base Materiel
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

1. In accordance with 40th Air Division Regulation 210-1, dated 21 March 1952, the following report for the month of May follows:

a. Projects being administered by the Savannah District Engineers:

Project Description	% Complete
Fuel Storage & Distribution (Contract 1107)	100
Administration Building (Contract No. 1512)	84
General Purpose Warehouse (Contract No. 1515)	75
Communications Building (Contract No. 1707)	44
Railroad Spur to Ammo Area (Contract No. 1720)	79

b. Projects administered by the Air Installations Office:

Rehabilitation of Hangar Doors in Building 5010 (50-52)	0
Construction of Lumber Shed (16-53)	55
Addition of Eaves and Eyebrows (27-53)	100
Fire Ladders and Landings (26-53)	60
Automatic Fire Alarm Systems (10-53)	0
Paint Latrines 700 and 800 Series Type Barracks (36-53)	100
Construction of Garbage Racks, PX and Officers' Club (48-53)	2

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Projects being administered by AIO - (Cont'd)

	% Complete
Rehabilitation Mess Hall - Bldg 2002 (42-53)	25%
Flyaway Kit Warehouse (19-53)	4%
Special Weapons Training Area (33-53)	2%

/s&t/ RICHARD W. ORR
1st Lt., USAF
Acting Air Instl Officer

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DIVISION CO ANSWERS QUESTIONS ABOUT AIRMEN'S RACE FUND

The delay in spending money in the "Airmen's Living Improvement Fund" is regrettable, but thus far has been necessary for varied reasons, Colonel Thayer S. Olds, 40th Air Division Commander, said this week.

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The Division CO explained that many suggestions were received and that all were given careful and fair consideration, a time consuming factor in itself. It was difficult for the committee to determine any single item which merited the expenditure of all those funds.

An airmen's and officer's committee met on the 9th of December, and then again on the 28th of January to discuss the expenditure of the "Airmen's Living Improvement Fund." The officers committee has met several times since.

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Col. Olds said that the Living Improvement Fund is in the bank. And, he added, something concrete is now on the way. Plans are well advanced for the construction of a picnic pavilion which conforms to the regulations. Two civil and architectural engineers are currently working on the plans on a spare time and voluntary basis.

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This is with regard to the two letters from Turner Air Force Base airmen, appearing in TIME issue of May 11 ("Turner Sees Red"), complaining about the delay in expending funds provided by a sports car race. I feel that an injustice has been done a most worthwhile project unless your readers have all the facts bearing on this matter.

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(STRATEGIC AIR COMMAND)

for

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CHRONOLOGY

1 June 1953 - Captain John Schnell appointed Base Personnel Officer.

3 June 1953 - New T/D-A's for all Turner AFB units.

6 June 1953 - Initial AFROTC and CAP encampments begun.

12 June 1953 - Major Leaford Bearskin appointed Base Materiel Off.

18 June 1953 - Work on 1953 Sowega Sports Car Races initiated.

19 June 1953 - Project to relieve traffic completed by converting Avenue "A" into three-lane drive.

25 June 1953 - 508th Wing participated in navigation flight to Ramey AFB, Puerto Rico.

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ORGANIZATION AND ADMINISTRATION

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I - ORGANIZATION AND ADMINISTRATION

The 40th Air Division and 811th Air Base Group were concerned this month with a number of important organizational and administrative matters. Among these was the receipt of SAC General Order 37, dated 8 May 1953, which announced the reorganization of Turner AFB units. 1/ The result of this order was an overall gain of 22 officers and five airmen. Notwithstanding the increase, there was a considerable loss of both officers and airmen within the Air Base Group structure. Changes of this order, as indicated by new T/O's, reflect a decline of six officers and 57 airmen. Personnel of the 40th Air Division were unchanged by the order. This change in personnel strength of the Air Base Group and the Wings was designed to bolster the overall combat efficiency of the installation. A table showing the old and new grade spread of all airman T/D-A authorizations is included in the appendix. 2/

In the knowledge that various units of the Air Base Group might find it difficult to feasibly conduct their operations under the personnel restrictions of the new T/D-A's, the Manpower and

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1/ GO 37, Hq SAC, dtd 8 May 1953. (Exhibit 1)

2/ Extract fr Manpower & Orgn Hist Rpt, Jun 1953. (Exhibit 2)

Organization Office distributed a letter concerning grade spread changes to all units requesting a thorough study be made in an effort to determine authoritatively all outstanding changes in T/D-A's that were believed necessary. 3/ After each unit had determined exactly the additional spaces needed, they were to submit a clear, concise justification for the spaces. This directive stressed that only in outstanding instances would grade changes be considered, and that each unit should make a careful and extensive analysis before requesting additional authorizations. All requested changes were to be presented to the Manpower Board for evaluation. Upon approval by the board, Second Air Force is to be notified of the T/D-A grade changes. These are to be reflected in the next revision of T/D-A's by SAC.

Requested changes in the 31st Medical Group T/D-A were forwarded to Second Air Force during the month of May, however, as of the end of June, no information had been received on this request. 4/

Both the 508th and 31st Strategic Fighter Wings received a request from Second Air Force to submit their personnel requirements to effectively operate the wing operation control room. These requirements were forwarded on 19 June 1953. 5/

3/ Ltr, Hq 40AD, subj: Non-T/O Changes, file MPO 320, 8 Jun 1953 (Exhibit 3)

4/ Ltr, Hq 40AD, subj: Amended T/D-A, 31st Med Gp, file Base MPO 320, dtd 27 May 1953. (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.) (See page 6, 40AD and 811th ABG Hist for May 1953.)

5/ Ltr, Hq 40AD, subj: Pers. Auth for Wg Ops Control Rm, file MPO 320, 19 Jun 1953 (Exhibit 4)

Two airman positions were authorized by SAC to fill the requirements for maintenance and inspection of the Base Hydrant Refueling System. These positions were authorized as non-T/O augmentations to the Air Installations Squadron. In addition, this squadron was requested to designate two ungraded civilian positions from current authorizations for maintenance and inspection duties.

The success of Primary and Basic Management courses which have been conducted in the past has shown a genuine need for a full time civilian Management Training Instructor. 6/ The manpower office made a survey of civilian positions on the base with an eye toward relocating one of them from some other unit where it was perhaps not needed as badly. By doing this, a valuable position would be filled with no additional expenditure of funds by the government. During the study of the problem it was determined that there were no qualified management instructors employed on the base. Therefore, it will be necessary to recruit a person for the job. Request for authority to make this change was to be submitted to Second Air Force.

The discussions in the last two installments of the Division and Air Base Group History concerning the requested change in personnel authorizations to maintain T-33 aircraft at this station was brought

6/ Interview with Lt. Col. Houck, Base MPO by T/Sgt Aldridge.

to a conclusion this month. 7/ Pending receipt of authority for the 22 maintenance spaces in the 811th Operations Squadron, these planes were transferred back to the 31st and 508th Wings. When word was received that higher headquarters had approved the increase in T/O spaces, they were simply transferred to the Wings, 8/ thus bringing to a close the seemingly controversial matter.

As ordered by a directive from Headquarters Second Air Force in early April 1953, the 811th Air Base Group began work on a Procedures Control System. 9/ The purpose of this program was to improve services to the tactical units so they could carry out their designed missions with greater economy and efficiency. It is a direct result of the Air Force Management Improvement Program.

Setting up the program involved a great deal of work for all Air Base Group units and sections. Therefore, it was divided into two major categories -- external and internal procedures. These were further subdivided into more detailed categories which will be explained on page 8.

The external control system deals with all those procedures and services the section performs for the benefit of another unit. For example, Ground Safety lends a helping hand to every department on the base in carrying out its safety program. Likewise, Commercial

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7/ Interview with Lt. Col. Houck, Base MPO, by T/Sgt Aldridge.

8/ Ibid.

9/ Interview with Asst. Base Adj, Lt. Zuro.

Transportation, Food Service, Air Police and practically every unit provides some service to others. External procedures explain in detail exactly what services each section provides, how and when it provides them, and how these services may be obtained by other units on the Base. External procedure differs from internal procedure in that the latter deals solely with actions and procedures directly within the section. Illustrations are general office procedure, office or section SOP, et cetra.

Progress of the external procedures program has been excellent. The biggest delay has been caused by a shortage of supplies and material such as multilith duplimats for printing. These items were in critical supply. This difficulty was met by emergency requisition.

In order to make the project run along smoothly, external procedure was divided into four steps; they were: (1) writing, (2) editing, (3) typing and printing, and (4) assembling.

Step one was complete as of 30 June with the exception of the Air Installations Office which encountered difficulty due to its size and varied fields of endeavor. Step two had progressed to the same extent as step one. Step three, typing and printing, was approximately 75 per cent complete. Step four, assembling, was ready to begin at the end of this reporting period. It was estimated that part one, external procedures, was 60 per cent complete. Instructions for part two, internal procedures, was distributed to individual sections during the month of June.

PERSONNEL

II - PERSONNEL

Numerous changes in personnel took place this month within the Air Base Group. Captain John Schnell was appointed Base Personnel Officer to replace Captain Carl T. Rebentisch, who was transferred to the 31st Strategic Fighter Wing. 10/ Capt. Schnell was formerly assigned to the 508th Wing as assistant personnel officer.

Within the staff section per se, First Lieutenant Donald D. Greer replaced Captain Calvin C. Ray as officer-in-charge of the Airman's Section. Capt. Ray was released from active duty upon completion of the required tour.

Notice was received from Second Air Force to transfer the base processing function from the jurisdiction of the Headquarters Squadron Section to the Base Personnel Office. This was accomplished on 15 June with Lt. Greer assuming responsibility of this activity as an additional duty. 11/

Major Vernie G. Black was relieved of assignment as squadron commander of Headquarters Squadron Section and transferred to the 40th Air Division as project officer for the Sowega Sports Car Races to be held at Turner on 25 October. 12/ Captain Thomas W. Cannon replaced Major Black as squadron commander.

10/ GO 14, Hq 811 AB Gp, 1 Jun 1953 (Exhibit 5)

11/ Interview with Base Pers NCOIC by T/Sgt. Aldridge.

12/ SO 142, par 31, Hq 40AD, 12 Jun 1953. (Exhibit 6)

The problem of finding a suitable replacement for the Base Information Services Officer was solved with the transfer of Second Lieutenant Charles S. Wright from the 40th Air Division to the Air Base Group on 1 June. 13/ The NCOIC of the office had been temporarily in charge of this activity under the immediate supervision of the Base Adjutant. The functions of the ISO were carried out smoothly with a resulting maintenance of good relations between the base and the local civilian population.

The Personnel Office performed a number of routine duties during the period covered by this report. These included recruitment, 14/ administration of proficiency tests, Airmen's Qualifying Examinations, and the processing of personnel for schools. 15/

Among the events conducted during June in connection with Operation "Safe Wheels 53" was a successful Roadeo staged on 20 June. The purpose of the Roadeo was to stimulate interest in safe driving among personnel at Turner AFB. Although the door to this contest was open to all military and civilian personnel on the base, no civilians entered. Approximately 50 airmen competed.

The Roadeo was divided into three classes of competition: driving a tractor semi-trailer, driving a bus, and driving a 1½-ton truck, each

13/ SO 131, Hq 40AD, par 12, 1 Jun 1953. (On file, Hq TAFB.)

14/ Hist Rpt, Base Rctg Ofc, Jun 1953 (Exhibit 7)

15/ Extract, Hist Rpt, Base Pers. Ofc, Jun 1953 (Exhibit 8)

of which consisted of various tests of driving skill. Obstacles in the Roadeo were designed to test the driver's ability in backing, turning, and parking vehicles. The contest was considered highly successful. It created new interest and awareness in the safe driving campaign.

A step forward in relieving traffic congestion was accomplished with the widening of Avenue "A" into three lanes from the main gate to Second Street. The Base Adjutant's Department published and distributed to all units a letter of instructions concerning the use of three three-lane road. 16/ Under the new regulations two lanes will be available to incoming traffic during morning rush hours. This procedure is reversed to permit an uninterrupted two-lane flow of traffic departing the base in the afternoon. There has been only a negligible number of violations thus far. These are expected to be eliminated entirely as drivers become thoroughly familiar with procedures.

The number of reportable injuries to military personnel during the month of June was seven. This resulted in a rate of 5.51 based on the number of injuries per 100,000 man days worked. Since the normally acceptable rate is 5.00, the Turner rate is considered much too high. Although none of the injuries reported were rated as serious, they caused a total of 51 days lost time. The June rate was one accident less than the May rate but was nevertheless higher than it should have been. 17/

16/ Ltr, Hq 811th ABG, subj: Three Lane Traffic on Ave "A". 25 Jun 1953. (Exhibit 9)

17/ Ground Accident Rpt for Jun 1953. (Exhibit 10)

A tentative plan was considered for the Base Ground Safety Office to sponsor an economy gas run similar to the one conducted last year. 18/ It is hoped that prizes can be awarded to the winner. In the event plans for this contest can be successfully carried through, it will be another in Turner's continued series of programs designed to create safety and economy in the operation of the base.

There was only one reportable government motor vehicle accident this month. 19/ The cause and result of this accident was brought to the attention of Turner AFB motor vehicle operators in order that similar accidents may be prevented in the future.

One of the highlights of the Base Personal Affairs Section this month was a review of the 3944th Radar Bomb Scoring Squadron detachment. The inspection included a thorough review of the personal affairs files of all personnel attached to the unit. After necessary corrections were made, individuals were counseled to advise them on their government insurance and other benefits accruing to their credit. 20/

During the month of June 1953, the Turner Chapter of the Air Force Aid Society made 57 loans totalling $3,133.00. A check for $628.50 was forwarded through channels to Headquarters Unit, AF Aid Society, Washington. This amount was excess funds on hand at this chapter. 21/

18/ Base Comdr's Staff Meeting, 23 Jun 1953.

19/ Ground Accident Rpt for Jun 1953. (See Exhibit 10)

20/ Hist Rpt fr Pers. Affairs Ofc, 6 Jul 53. (On file, Hq TAFB.)

Plans were formulated and action taken for the AF Aid Society Membership Campaign of 1953. Various pamphlets and posters were distributed to all squadrons for early publicity. Project officers have not yet been appointed.

There was a total of 26 students completing on-duty elementary classes by 15 June 1953. All of these airmen were considered eligible to take Airmen's Qualifying Examinations. Although administration of these exams began in June, the final results were not available by the end of this reporting period. The official scores will be released in the July historical report. 22/

The final grades of participants in the Florida State University "Operation Bootstrap" were received by the Base Education Office. Of the 50 students enrolled in 62 classes, 31 received passing grades, 12 were below passing, and 19 withdrew. The vast majority of the withdrawals was due to PCS and TDY shipments, or were caused by changes in duty status which precluded further participation. 23/ Plans were discussed to renew "Operations Bootstrap" in the fall.

The testing service of the Base Education Office continued with considerable success. Tuesday and Thursday afternoons between 1230 and 1630 were set aside for this function. 24/ The 72 high school and 10 college level general educational development tests conducted during this month were considered above average for an installation the size of Turner AFB.

22/ Hist. Rpt. Pers. Serv. Ofc, dtd 2 Jul 53. (On file, Hq TAFB.)

23/ Ibid

24/ Ibid.

The Rehabilitation Flight continued to attend classes at the Base Education Office on Monday and Friday afternoons. These classes were conducted on the elementary level. Enrollment was increased over 30 percent during the month of June 1953. 25/ Instructors for these courses continued to place emphasis on "interpretation of reading materials" as a means of improving the students general value to the Air Force.

A survey was begun in June to determine the number of personnel interested in attending an off-duty English class. 26/ The survey was not completed and the results are not yet available.

The most difficult problem confronting the Civilian Personnel Office during June 1953 was that of locating a qualified person to to fill the general engineer vacancy in Air Installations. 27/ The Fifth Regional Office of the Civil Service Commission gave this office authority to recruit for this vacancy outside normal procurement channels. Thus far, these attempts have proved unsuccessful.

The 1953 fiscal year audit of all Turner AFB civilian positions was completed in June 1953. As required by law, a certificate was submitted to SAC attesting that all positions were surveyed and that necessary adjustments were made. 28/

25/ Hist. Rpt, Pers. Serv. Ofc, June 53. (On file, Hq TAFB.)

26/ Ibid.

27/ Hist. Rpt, Civilian Pers. Ofc, June 1953 (On file, Hq TAFB)

28/ Ibid.

The position of Service Club Director which had been vacant for several months was filled this month with the arrival of Miss Christine Harrell. Miss Harrell is well qualified for this position, having majored in economics, served with the American Red Cross in the Far East from 1945 to 1949, and completed a tour of duty with the U. S. Army Special Services Division in Japan.

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III - OPERATIONS AND TRAINING

Several important projects commanded the attention of the Division and Base Operations and Training Officers during this reporting period. These included the Civil Air Patrol Encampment during the period 6 - 14 June, the arrival of 254 AFROTC cadets on 22 June for a 30-day encampment, the second annual Combat Crew Pentathlon, and the long range navigation and in-flight refueling training of the 508th Strategic Fighter Wing during the period 19 - 26 June 1953.

Three Georgia reserve officers, called back to active duty to assist in the nine day CAP encampment, reported to Turner a few days in advance to make preparations for the encampment. The cadets received instructions in military discipline and drill, range procedures, fire carbine, aircraft and engines, link trainer, flight orientation, flying safety, survival, parachute demonstrations, character guidance, security, and ground safety. The overall program was considered highly beneficial to the cadets in their aviation education program. 29/

The 253 ROTC cadets arrived at Turner on 21 June and completed their first week of the four-week encampment this month. The cadets were divided into two squadrons which included six flights and 12 elements with a full schedule from 0530 hours to 1700 hours. During

29/ Interview with Base O&T Off. by T/Sgt. Aldridge.

the first week, the cadets received five hours of drill, four hours of physical training and visited various sections of the Air Base Group Headquarters where the officer or non-commissioned officer-in-charge gave a brief talk on the function of his particular section. The cadets received a welcome speech by Col. Easton, base commander, and Col. Joe R. Williams, AFROTC commander, on the first day of the encampment. Following the welcome addresses, a security lecture was given by the Air Provost Marshal, and the organization of the 40th Air Division was given by the Base Adjutant.

Of the 147 cadets given physical examinations at the Base Hospital, 21 were found to be disqualified for service in the Air Force. The training of these rejects was immediately suspended and they were sent home. On a percentage basis, approximately 14% were physically disqualified. An overall comparison of the number of rejects in future encampments is necessary to determine whether or not this rate is average.

The Base Physical Conditioning Unit monitored the second annual Pentathlon held on 11 - 12 June for the benefit of 31st and 508th Wing pilots. This year's contest included marksmanship, judo, speed swimming, rope climbing, and water survival. A new feature added to the Pentathlon this year was the escape and evasion trek. Each day, 15 or 16 officers were taken approximately 10 miles from the base, blindfolded enroute, and turned loose to find their way "home." The pilots carried a first-aid kit, one meal ration and 10 cents. To add to the reality of the training, Air Police patrolled all the main roads looking for the pilots, just as if they were real "enemies." So, in addition to having to find their way back to the base, they had to make a special effort to avoid becoming "prisoners." The evasion trek and the contest events were added together to determine the squadron and individual winners on the point system.

Captain Raymond O. Barton, a member of the 308th Strategic Fighter Squadron, won top honors in the individual competition with a total of 575 points for all events; Lt. Col. William B. Hawkins, commander of the 467th Strategic Squadron, won second place individual honors with 566 points, and third place individual honors went to Major Robert J. Keen, commander of the 307th Strategic Fighter Squadron, with 555 points. The Division Commander awarded the prizes to the winners at Officers Call on 19 June.

The Division Operations and Training Office was concerned with coordinating the long range navigation and in-flight refueling training of the 508th Strategic Fighter Wing during the period 19 - 26 June, inclusively, in accordance with Second Air Force Operations Order 115-53 and 508th Wing Operations Order 105-53. 30/ The 466th, 468th and 467th Squadrons departed Turner for Ramey AFB on 19, 22 and 24 June, respectively, each with 20 F-84G aircraft. In-flight refueling was accomplished by all three squadrons. Narrative reports by each squadron covering the success of the mission, difficulties encountered and recommendations are included in the appendix. 31/

The Air Base Training Flight gave Atomic, Biological and Chemical Warfare training to 70 airmen during the month, and ABC refresher training was given to 49 airmen.

30/ 2AF Ops Order 115-53 and 508th Wg Ops Order 105-53 (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)

31/ Narrative Rpts, 466th SFS, 467th SFS and 468th SFS. (See Exhibits Nos. 11, 12 and 13.)

The Range Section of the Air Base Training Flight fired 25 airmen with the Carbine, Caliber. 30; 19 officers with the U. S. Pistol, Caliber .45; and 124 AFROTC cadets with the Carbine, Caliber .30.

Eight officers were indoctrinated in basic survival principals, and 45 officers were given refresher survival training. Acquatic survival was given to 117 officers and swimming proficiency training was given to 103 officers. In addition, 10 officers were trained and tested in Morse Code.

Word was received from higher headquarters this month that a Japanese Judo Team, composed of ten of Japan's foremost exponents of Judo and Karate, will visit Turner on 1 August to train base judo instructors and acquaint combat crew personnel with the advantages of judo proficiency. 32/

Base Flight aircraft flew a total of 369:55 hours during the month. 33/ The Turner Tower processed 4,653 take-offs and landings, 157 practice VHF/DF steers, and 19 emergency VHF/DF steers during the month of June. The AFR 60-2 requirements completed by pilots assigned or attached to Base Flight for flying for the month were: proficiency, 100 percent; night, 100 percent, and hood and/or weather, 100 percent. The percentages were based on 32 pilots present for duty.

The Base Wire Maintenance Section this month finished "cutting" over the Base Defense System from the old W-110 field wire to the new rubber covered cable. The Base Defense SWBD was moved from Building 2000

32/ Ltr, Hq 2AF, file 2AFCG 353, subj: Japanese Judo Team, 29 June 53. (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)

33/ Base Ops Hist. Rpt. (Exhibit 14)

and installed in Building 1505 and the Base Security System, which consists of direct lines from the Base Defense SWBD to Towers 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 and Gates 2, 3, 5, 5A, 8, 9 and 10, was installed. The terminals on the new cable were installed in multiple so as to utilize the pairs to the greatest extent. The majority of the private lines in the new rubber cable were in operation at month's end. A complete record of each cable was made by the Wire Maintenance Section to show terminal location, phone location, building, pairs and number of cable. Approximately 50 miles of old W-110 field wire was reclaimed and rolled on DR-5 to be turned in for salvage where some of it is to be utilized again for drop wire. Direct field lines with EE-8's from Base Flight to Base Operations to the T-6 area on the flight line were also installed this month.

The Base Communications Section completed the new base telephone directory this month and forwarded it to Headquarters Second Air Force for reproduction.

The Base Radio Maintenance Section installed a turntable and outside speakers for the AFROTC encampment. Other services performed by this section during this month was the installation of UHF and VHF receivers and Bogen PA System on the flight line for the benefit of the ROTC trainees, and a PA system for security lectures at Gate 10.

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IV - MATERIEL

A major Materiel Office project which was only 50 percent complete at the end of May 1953 was marked "closed" on 28 June. This was the semi-annual review of the project UAL-BAL. The Materiel Office received a favorable report from Second Air Force complimenting them on their attention to the provisions of the review with respect to the austerity program. 34/

Word was received that there was to be an important change in personnel of the Materiel Office with the reassignment of Lieutenant Colonel Chester M. Campbell, Base Materiel Officer, to Headquarters Strategic Air Command. Colonel Campbell, scheduled to depart next month, is to be replaced by Major Leaford Bearskin. 35/

The Purchasing and Contracting Office completed procurement work involving 1953 fiscal year funds. Formal and informal contracts were completed in sufficient time to permit the Budget and Accounting Office to obligate these funds. 36/

There were seven contracts advertised during the last of May and the first of this month. All these contracts were completed in a minimum of time. Cooperation which proved to be extremely effective was received from the Air Installations Officer, all contractors and higher headquarters. An example of the coordination was teletype

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34/ Personal interview with Asst Base Mat Off. by T/Sgt Aldridge.

35/ Hist. Rpt, Base Mat Ofc, dtd 13 Jul 1953, (On file, Hq TAFB,Ga.)

36/ Hist. Rpt, Base P&C Ofc, dtd 5 Jul 1953, (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)

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approval for each of the final three contracts that was submitted.

A very satisfactory accomplishment was effected when all subsistence contracts were completed and approved for the fiscal quarter beginning 1 July 1953. An advantageous saving to the Government was made when a contract for milk and cottage cheese was made with a new contractor. The holder of the new contract is the Borden's Dairy of Tallahassee, Florida. 37/

The Purchasing and Contracting Office made considerable progress this month in the program of retiring purchase orders of the fiscal year 1952. Regulations require that these documents be retired one year after the close of the fiscal year in which they were promulgated. 38/ During the fiscal year 1953, 3707 purchase orders were written. It is readily apparent that considerable space is needed to file these orders for the required one year. It was found that 1952 records could be removed quickly from steel cabinets, processed and retired in wooden boxes, making needed space immediately available for incoming orders. Therefore, this office's expeditious handling of this piece of work remedied a filing problem before it occurred. 39/

The number and volume of petty cash purchases showed a steady increase during June 1953. This resulted in an overload to the buying section. The work-hardship was forthwith alleviated with the assignment

37/ Hist. Rpt, Base P&C Ofc, dtd 5 Jul 1953. (On file, Hq TAFB.)

38/ Ibid.

39/ Ibid.

of an airman to this section. He filled an allotted space which was provided by the manning table. This enabled the section to make petty cash purchases and pickups on a regular daily schedule without delaying or interrupting other important activities. 40/

During the month the Purchasing and Contracting Office contracted 345 purchase orders, totalling $93,960.00. These were in addition to 103 petty cash purchases which totalled $1,003.00. 41/

A number of changes took place this month at the Base Exchange. Primary among them was the closing of the beer garden and combining its activities with those of the snack bar. This was done for two main reasons: First, during the three months the beer garden had been in operation patronage continued to drop off until it was no longer financially feasible to keep it open. Second, two additional full time employees were required to operate the beer garden.

Experience in this venture proved that a vast majority of airmen desire sandwiches, short orders, or similar foods with their beer. Since these items were not available at the beer garden, customers seeking them were forced to go elsewhere. A study was made of this exigency to determine what should be done. It had been found that at least two employees were required for both the beer garden and the snack bar. It was not deemed advisable to purchase all equipment necessary for a sandwich counter in the beer garden. Since the two employees at the main snack bar could reasonably wait on a much larger number of patrons, it was decided to

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40/ Hist. Rpt for June, P&C Ofc. (On file, Hq TAFB.)

41/ Ibid.

close the beer garden, sell beer in conjunction with sandwiches and short orders at the main snack bar, and release two Base Exchange employees. This change was expected to appreciably reduce BX overhead expenses, and increase income.

Sales at the Base Exchange for June 1953 increased a whopping $19,000 over May 1953. Sales for May amounted to $60,945 and June sales reached $79,819. Notwithstanding the fact that June is annually a month of increased buying, this was the highest total for June in the past four years. 42/ The June budget had been set at $64,000. Reasons for June's outstanding sales total was attributed primarily to three things: general troop expansion, more extensive variety of merchandise offered for sale, and more attractive sales displays. 43/

Another important change was the Base Exchange's refusal to renew the laundry and dry cleaning contract. Proof of the wisdom of this step was shown by the 200% increase in volume ofbusiness since the unit went under new management. 44/

Over a period of time many complaints had been submitted regarding the quality of work and service rendered by the BX leased laundry and dry cleaning establishment. This unfavorable condition was acknowledged and steps were initiated to obtain a different contract when the old one expired.

42/ Hist. Rpt for Jun 1953, Base Exchange, (On file, TAFB, Hq)

43/ Ibid.

44/ Ibid.

During the one month this concern has been under new management, business increased approximately 200 per cent with a resulting increase in profits for the BX. Laundry and dry cleaning service is now given on a 24-hour basis with no overall increase in charges. Prices of work fluctuated slightly on a small number of items, but decreases offset the increases. It was the general consensus of BX officials that this contract service volume of business will continue to increase until the maximum potential of the base is reached. 45/

In order to afford Turner's officers and airmen the most service possible, the BX officer posted a letter to the Georgia State Game and Fish Commission requesting that the BX be appointed a fish and game license agent. The Commission granted the authority quickly and licenses went on sale this month. Prices are identical to those off the base. In addition to being a big time saver for all persons interested in hunting and fishing, this service is advantageous to the base since a percentage of each sale goes to the BX and is in turn distributed to benefit everyone on the base. 46/ Right in line with this added service was the signing of an agreement with the American Express Company to sell and cash money orders and checks. While the Post Office is available for handling money orders on the base, there are numerous occasions when airmen and officers find this activity closed during the only time they are able to satisfactorily leave their work. Examples are during

45/ Hist. Rpt, Jun 1953, Base Exchange. (On file, Hq TAFB)

46/ Ibid.

noon hours and on some holidays. 47/ The BX also received a percentage of the profits of this operation.

A regressive trend in the ANFE rate was revealed during the first half of the month as compared to the rate for the same period in May, as reflected in the average ANFE percent of 22.4, an increase of 14.8 over the previous month, while the AOCP rate for the period was 4.7, a decrease of .6 over the same period in May. 48/ It was learned that the Western Zone had priority over all items in the depot during this period, thus causing the low supply effectiveness at Turner. Continued improvement was revealed in the AOCP rate as of 28 June with an average of 4.0 percent as compared to 5.9 percent for the same period in May, however, the ANFE rate continued high throughout the month with an average of 20.7 percent as of 28 June, an increase of 5.8, as compared to the same period last month. 49/ The lack of needed items in the Eastern Procurement Zone was the reason for the high ANFE rate and, as a result, the requisitional items were requested from Tinker and McClellan Air Force Bases (Western Zone) by the depot.

The VOCP rate for the month was 2.6, an increase of 1.6 over the previous month, and the average VOCM rate for the month, 2.2 percent, reflected a slight increase of .2 over the month of May.

47/ Hist. Rpt for June, Base Exchange. (On file, Hq TAFB.)

48/ Weekly Progress Rpt, Base Compt, 17 Jun 1953. (Exhibit 15)

49/ Weekly Progress Rpt, Base Compt, 1 Jul 1953. (Exhibit 16)

Considerable progress was made during the month on a number of special building projects. 50/ The Lumber Shed, Project No. 16-53, was completed this month by Air Installations. Other projects being administered by Air Installations and well along the road to completion were: the Rehabilitation of Hangar Doors in Building 5010 (project no. 50-52), which was 80 percent complete; the Automatic Fire Alarm Systems, (10-53), was 75 percent complete, and Fire Ladders and Landings (26-53), was 92 percent complete at month's end.

The new Administration Building (Contract No. 1512), which will house the 811th Air Base Group Headquarters and 40th Air Division, was 89 percent complete at month's end; General Purpose Warehouse (Contract 1515) was 83 percent complete; the new Communications Building (Contract 1707) was 51 percent complete, and the Railroad Spur to Ammunition Area (Contract 1720) was 81 percent complete. The above projects are being administered by the Savannah District Engineers.

50/ List of AIO and Savannah Dist. Engr. Projects (Exhibit 17)

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A program of wide interest was implemented with the help of the Base Personnel Services Office. Of interest to many Turner personnel was an invitation for young sons to spend five weeks at a summer camp located on Lake Blackshear, near Cordele, Georgia. The camp, named Camp Safety Patrol, is sponsored by the Georgia Department of Public Safety. Through the efforts of the Personnel Services Office, this venture was given wide publicity via the base newspaper, daily bulletin, and distribution of posters.

Summertime off-base recreational activities for Turner airmen was given a boost by the Personnel Services Office. A survey of vacation spots in Georgia and Florida was conducted in an attempt to inform everyone the locations of those places most suitable to each individual's desires and needs for entertainment. 51/ After the survey was finished, vacation guide booklets were made available to all personnel. The booklets, which listed names of vacation spots believed most suitable, highway routes leading to them, and prices of lodging and festivities at each, were delivered to the Officers' Club, Service Club for dissemination to all interested persons. 52/ A supply was retained at the Personnel Services Office for distribution to prospective vacationers.

A welcome attraction was added to the Service Club this month when air conditioning was installed. Through a special grant from SAC, some

51/ Pers. Serv. Sect. Hist. Rpt for June 1953. (On file, Hq TAFB.)

52/ Minutes of the Turner AFB Character Guidance Council Meeting, Jun 1953. (Exhibit 18)

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needed lounge furniture was also received this month. Included in the lot were couches, easy chairs and reading lamps.

Attendance at the Base Service Club during this reporting period showed an increase over the previous one. Nearly 8,000 airmen and guests attended the various activities offered. Bingo proved high in popularity with an overall total of 672 guests for the four scheduled nights during the month.

Base Library activities made considerable progress during the month of June. These were highlighted by the addition of 77 new books, nineteen of which were medical and the other 58 were general topic material. The total circulation for this reporting period was 1,043. There was an average attendance of 46, with 36 military personnel registered. 53/ Miss Georgia Cavin, SAC Librarian, made a short inspection of the Base Library on 24 June.

There was a considerable amount of confusion and disorder resulting from the over-crowded conditions existing in Dining Hall No. 1 since Dining Hall No. 2 was being renovated. In order to alleviate as much as possible the crowded conditions, the Base Commander requested that all Air Base Group squadron commanders schedule their airmen for the noon meal at 1125 hours or later so that operational personnel from the Wings might be served beforehand. It was acknowledged that some conflict would exist until the reopening of Dining Hall No. 2. All squadron commanders were reminded of their responsibility to visit the dining halls at least once each week to talk with lunching airmen and seek out criticisms and

53/ Pers. Serv. Hist., Jun 1953. (On file, Hq TAFB.)

and critiques in order that improvements might be made in messing facilities on the base. In the past there has been many vague generalities and too few specific examples concerning food service conditions. 54/

The Base Commander was concerned with the few isolated complaints regarding insufficient medical and hospital care for dependents at the Base Hospital. It was determined that the majority of the complaints stemmed from the fact that far too few dependents fully understood the conditions surrounding medical care and treatment. Due to this inadequacy, there was a lack of cooperation with scheduled hours. The appointment system has been tried at this installation with little or no success. This failure was due to unforeseen extended examinations required by some patients, as well as extremely short periods of time necessary for diagnosis in other cases. All Air Base Group squadron commanders were enjoined to give this matter their fullest attention in the future so as to prevent a decrease of morale among airmen with dependents. 55/

The Second Air Force Water Safety Instructor School was held at Turner this month. Mr. Ed Jones of the American Red Cross was the instructor. Representatives from all Second Air Force bases were here for the school. One Turner lifeguard was awarded a water safety badge and two others had theirs' renewed. Two other airmen received a Senior

54/ AB Gp Comdr's Staff Meeting, 26 Jun 1953.

55/ AB Gp Comdr's Staff Meeting, 19 Jun 1953.

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Life-Saving Certificate. 56/

Among the highlights at the Base Chapel were two baptisms and six weddings. In addition, three radio programs were broadcast. The Base Chaplain's Office also performed a number of other routine duties such as Sabbath and weekday worship services, Character Guidance lectures, Prisoner Rehabilitation lectures, and military funerals. 57/

56/ Pers. Serv. Hist. Rpt, Jun 1953. (On file, Hq TAFB.)

57/ Base Chapel, Hist. Rpt, Jun 1953.(On file, Hq TAFB.)

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VI - SPECIAL PROJECTS

The American Red Cross Bloodmobile visited Turner on 17 June 1953. Since June is normally a month of innoculations and vaccinations for Turner personnel, the goal was set at 200 pints. This number was distributed proportionately among the various squadrons on the base by the Bloodmobile project officer, Second Lieutenant Gustave A. Meier. The program was considered successful with the contribution of 193 pints of blood. This brought to 1,090 pints donated to the bloodmobile during six visits to the base this year. In an effort to bring this important program up to the highest possible standing, contributors were given one day off for contributing a pint of blood. This feature was considered to have been instrumental in enabling Turner to get within seven pints of the quota.

A final decision was reached about how to advantageously dispose of the money in the Airmen's Living Improvement Fund which was profit from the Sowega National Sports Car Races held here in October 1952. It was accepted that a pavilion for the benefit of all personnel should be erected in the picnic area. The application for the project, together with plans which had been drawn up by AIO, was sent to the chairman of the Non-appropriated Fund Committee for approval. The amount requested to be set aside for the building was approved, but some little difficulty was encountered when the contractor's bids were opened. The lowest bid exceeded the amount allowed for the construction. After some discussion

with the lowest bidder, it was determined that the pavilion could be built for the amount allowed provided the airmen did some of the finishing work such as painting and plumbing. Actual construction is scheduled to begin in July 58/

Plans for the 1953 Sowega Sports Car Races got underway this month. Considerable difficulty is expected in the sale of advanced tickets as a result of a new SAC policy which prohibits the sale of tickets on automobiles in conjunction with sports car races. 59/ Sales of tickets boomed in 1952 due principally to the incentive of the chance on a free automobile with each ticket. Without this, a much greater sales program will have to be installed to keep advance ticket sales up to the desired minimum. Additionally, there will be no blanket free time off given for airmen to sell tickets. The major part of selling will have to be done on official time off or on official leave. However, notwithstanding these seemingly adverse attributes, the 1953 event is expected to be a huge success. Ten thousand dollars ($10,000) has been set aside from last year's profits to finance this year's races.60/ Contacts have been made with the Pure Oil Company with an eye toward having that organization furnish the gas and oil this year in return for the advertising which will accompany such action. Results of this action will be announced in the July historical report. 61/

58/ Speech by Base Comdr, Col. Easton, to all troops, 18 Jun 53.

59/ Ibid

60/ Ibid

61/ Interview with Base Information Services Officer.

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Turner's Aero Club put on a drive to fill 25 membership spaces which were originally held open for 508th Wing personnel during their tenure overseas. Since this organization did not fill these vacancies, they were made available to anyone on the base. Anyone who would like to learn to fly may be accepted.

The club now has six planes, but expects to buy two J-3 Cubs or one four-place plane in the future. Another club member received his private flying license during this reporting period, making a total of eight members who have received flying licenses since the club began.

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Lt. Col. Lawrence J. Pickett	Operations Staff Officer
Major Harry P. Wagner	Operations Staff Officer
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Lt. Col. Chester M. Campbell	Base Materiel Officer
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Major John J. Smith	Base Comptroller

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Roster of Key Personnel - 811th AB Group (Cont'd)

2nd Lt. Charles S. Wright	Base Information Services Officer
Lt. Col. Chester M. Conrad	CO, 811th Operations Squadron
Major Melford A. Loeffler	CO, 811th Supply Squadron
Major Henry A. Blood	CO, 811th Motor Vehicle Squadron
Captain Charles W. McRae	CO, 811th Food Service Squadron
Major Johnnie P. Harlow	CO, 811th Air Police Squadron
Major Vernie G. Black	CO, Headquarters Squadron Section, 811th Air Base Group

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Captain Earl J. Vince	CO, 811th Air Police Squadron
Captain Thomas M. Cannon	CO, Headquarters Squadron Section, 811th Air Base Group

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APPENDIX

GENERAL ORDERS)
NUMBER 37)

HEADQUARTERS STRATEGIC AIR COMMAND
Offutt Air Force Base, Omaha, Nebraska
8 May 1953

REORGANIZATION OF UNITS AT TURNER AIR FORCE BASE. 1. Announcement is made of the reorganization of the following units, effective 20 June 1953, as indicated:

Unit	T/O	Authorized Strength OFF	WO	AMN
Hq 40th ADiv	1-1045P, 1 Mar 53, 1 x Part II	10		7
Hq, 811th AB Gp	1-8036P, 1 Mar 53, 1 x Part II	33		90
811th Oprs Sq	1-8165P, 1 Mar 53, 1 x Part II	17		215
811th Sup Sq	1-7218P, 1 Mar 53, 1 x Part II 1-8160P, 1 Mar 53, 1 x Part IIB	13		264
811th Mtr Veh Sq	1-8167P, 1 Mar 53, 1 x Part II	5		185
811th Instls Sq	1-8166P, 1 Mar 53, 1 x Part II	3	1	159
Hq, Strat Ftr Wg 31, 508	1-1042P, 1 Mar 53, 1 x Part II	30	(each)	83
Strat Ftr Sq 307, 308, 309, 466, 467, 468	1-1259P, 1 Mar 53, 1 x Parts II, IIA	36 (each)		56
Fld Maint Sq 31, 508	1-7214P, 1 Mar 53, 1 x Part II	5	(each)	145
Periodic Maint Sq 31, 508	1-7215P, 1 Mar 53, 1 x Part II	3	(each)	62
Armt & Elect Maint Sq	1-7216P, 1 Mar 53, 1 x Part II	8	(each)	181

2. The following units are listed to restate authorized T/O composition. No change in present personnel strength is involved:

Unit	T/O	Authorized Strength OFF	WO	AMN
Med Gp 31, 508	1-9022, 1 Jan 52, 1 x Parts IIAA, AE, AF, 3 x Part IIAD	17	(each)	73
811th AP Sq	1-8035, 1 Apr 52, 1 x Parts IIB, C, F, H, 2 Part IIE, 5 x Part IID; Remark 4 applies	11		346

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Unit	T/O	Authorized Strength OFF	WO	AMN
811th Food Sv Sq	1-8015, 1 Jan 52, 1 x Part IIQA	2	3	202
551st Avn Sq	1-1963, 1 Dec 52, 1 x Part II	12	3	33

3. The units listed in paragraphs 1 and 2 are authorized equipment by Department of the Air Force letter cited in paragraph 5, below.

4. Appropriate remark will be entered in the organizational status table of the morning report for each unit listed in paragraph 1, on the effective date of reorganization, in accordance with Chapter 2, SAC Manual 171-1.

5. Authority: Letter Department of the Air Force, 322 (AFOMO 462h), subject: "(Unclassified) Reorganization of the Headquarters, 40th Air Division and Certain Other USAF Units at Turner Air Force Base," 15 April 1953.

BY COMMAND OF GENERAL LeMAY:

OFFICIAL:

R. M. MONTGOMERY
Brigadier General, USAF
Chief of Staff

GLENN P. NELL
Colonel, USAF
Adjutant General

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JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

MANPOWER AND ORGANIZATION OFFICE
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

7 July 1953

SUBJECT: Historical Report for the Month of June 1953 - Manpower and Organization

TO: Base Historian
Turner AF Base
Albany, Georgia

E X T R A C T

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2. New T/D-A's for all units, this headquarters, presently authorized T/D-A troop spaces, were received, this headquarters 3 June 1953. Distribution to all units was effected by this office on 5 June 1953. Following is a total summary of the grade changes, reflecting the old and new grade spread of all airmen T/D-A authorizations:

M/Sgt		T/Sgt		S/Sgt		A/1C		A/2C		A/3C	
Old	New	Old	New	Old	New	Old	New	Old	New	Old	New
27	8	22	10	50	58	74	76	46	58	34	43

Total loss or gain:

-19	-12	+8	+ 2	+ 12	+ 9

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JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

/s/ Fred L. Houck
/t/ FRED L. HOUCK
Lt. Col., USAF
Base Manpower Officer

EXHIBIT 2

HEADQUARTERS 40TH AIR DIVISION
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

BASE MPO 320 8 June 1953

SUBJECT: Non-T/O Changes

TO: See Distribution

1. Non-T/O Personnel Authorization Tables, dated June 1953, were recently distributed by the Base Manpower Office. Headquarters Strategic Air Command imposed new grade spreads on all Strategic Air Command T/D-A organizations. Generally, airmen grades have been downgraded drastically in the upper three grades.

2. Within this command the new T/D-A's effect reductions in the upper two grades while all other grades have been increased. No changes in total authorizations have been made. A summary of the grade changes reflects the following old and new grade spread, by organization, of all airmen T/D-A authorizations:

	M/Sgt		T/Sgt		S/Sgt		A/1C		A/2C		A/3C	
Unit	Old	New	Old	New	Old	New	Old	New	Old	New	Old	New
31st Med Gp	4	1	0	2	11	11	11	12	5	5	0	0
811th AB Gp	13	3	17	4	27	28	29	30	18	36	5	8
811th Supply	3	0	0	1	2	4	12	12	5	5	1	1
811th Ops	7	4	5	3	10	15	18	18	4	2	0	2
811th Instl	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	4	11	?	28	32
811th Mtr Veh	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	3	0	0
Total	27	8	22	10	50	58	74	76	46	58	34	43
Total Loss or Gain	-19		-12		+ 8		+2		+12		+9	

3. In the event the distribution of spaces within the grade changes reflected in the new T/D-A's does not prove satisfactory in most adequately reflecting your needs, desired changes may be submitted accompanied by the following information:

a. A clear, concise justification explaining why the assigned mission cannot be accomplished within the adjusted grade spreads, DD Form 96 will be used for this purpose.

b. The grades required to accomplish your mission.

EXHIBIT 3

c. Each requested change will contain a list of all authorized T/O and T/D-A spaces, by grade and AFSC, within the unit or section concerned.

d. An organizational chart showing the position of the desired grade change or changes.

4. It is emphasized that only in OUTSTANDING instances will grade changes be considered. Therefore, a careful and extensive analysis must be made by the using agency before requesting a change in grade spread.

5. Action by the Base Manpower Board in approving OUTSTANDING grade changes can be accomplished only within the allowable authorizations for this base as reflected on June 1953 Personnel Authorization Tables. No additional spaces or increased grades can be obtained from higher headquarters. Final approval of grade changes rests with Headquarters Second Air Force.

6. Desired grade spread changes will be submitted to the Base Manpower and Organization Office to arrive on or before 19 June 1953. Changes received after this date will not be considered.

BY ORDER OF COLONEL THAYER S. OLDS:

/s/ Thomas M. MacGlothlin
/t/ THOMAS M. MACGLOTHLIN
1st Lt., USAF
Asst Adj. Gen

DISTRIBUTION:
CO 31st Strat Ftr Wg
CO all Sqdns asgd 811th AB Gp
and all Staff Sections

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JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

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HEADQUARTERS 40TH AIR DIVISION
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

BASE MPO 320

19 June 1953

SUBJECT: Personnel Authorizations for Wing Operations Control Room

TO: Commander
Second Air Force
Barksdale Air Force Base, La.

1. In compliance with letter, your headquarters, Subject and file as above, dated 9 June 1953, the following information is submitted:

a. It is deemed advisable to delineate personnel authorizations for the functions of the Operations Control Room within the Wing T/O Structure.

b. Number of personnel by AFSC currently assigned full time duty in Wing Operations Control Room function by organization:

(1) 31st Strategic Fighter Wing

(a) One (1) Master Sergeant, AFSC 27170, and one (1) Staff Sergeant AFSC 27130.

(2) 508th Strategic Fighter Wing

(a) One (1) Captain, AFSC 1435, one (1) Master Sergeant, AFSC 72170, one (1) A/1C, AFSC 70250, and one (1) A/2C, AFSC 29130.

c. Number of personnel by AFSC assigned part time duty in Wing Operations Control Room function by organization and their primary duty assignment:

(1) 31st Strategic Fighter Wing

(a) There are no personnel assigned part time duty.

(2) 508th Strategic Fighter Wing

(a) There are no personnel assigned part time duty.

d. Total number of AFSC assigned and authorized the Wing Operations Control Room function by organization:

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(1) 31st Strategic Fighter Wing

(a) Assigned: One (1) Master Sergeant, AFSC 27170, and one (1) Staff Sergeant, AFSC 27150.

(b) Authorized: No personnel are presently authorized.

(2) 508th Strategic Fighter Wing

(a) Assigned: One (1) Captain AFSC 1435, one (1) Master Sergeant AFSC 27170, one (1) A/1C AFSC 70250, and one (1) A/2C AFSC 29130.

(b) Authorized: No personnel are presently authorized.

e. Recommendations as to minimum manning requirements by AFSC.

(1) 31st Strategic Fighter Wing

(a) One (1) Control Room Officer, AFSC 1435, Captain.

(b) One (1) Senior Controller, AFSC 27170, M/Sgt.

(c) Four (4) Controllers, AFSC 27150, S/Sgt.

(2) 508th Strategic Fighter Wing

(a) One (1) Control Room Officer, AFSC 1435, Captain.

(b) One (1) Senior Controller, AFSC 27170, M/Sgt.

(c) Four (4) Controllers, AFSC 27150, S/Sgt.

2. For job descriptions, see Incl #1.

3. The following requirements, as recommended in paragraph 1 e (1) and (2) could be withdrawn from code D1701, Operations and Training T/O 1-1042P:

a. One (1) Major, AFSC 1435.

b. One (1) M/Sgt. AFSC 27170.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

/s/ JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF
Asst Adjutant

1 Incl
Job Descriptions

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1st Lt., USAF

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HEADQUARTERS 811TH AIR BASE GROUP
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

GENERAL ORDERS
NUMBER [illegible]

1 June 1953

1. Announcement is made of the appointment of CAPTAIN JOHN SCHNELL A0576190, Headquarters 811th Air Base Group Base Personnel Officer (AFSC 7311) vice CAPTAIN CARL T. [illegible]TISCH A0804397.

BY ORDER OF COLONEL EASTON:

EDMOND L. FORTIN
Major, USAF
Adjutant

OFFICIAL:

THOMAS M. MACGLOTHLIN
1st Lt., USAF
Asst. Adjutant

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HEADQUARTERS 40TH AIR DIVISION
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

SPECIAL ORDERS 12 June 1953

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31. MAJ VERNIE G BLACK A0573956 is reld fr asgmt & dy Hq 811th AB Gp (SAC)(2AF) Turner AFB Albany Ga is asgd WP Hq 40th ADiv (SAC)(2AF) Turner AFB Albany Ga rept Comdr NLT 16 Jun 53 for dy. PCA EDCSA 16 Jun 53. No tvl involved.

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BY ORDER OF COLONEL OLDS:

OFFICIAL:

EDMOND L. FORTIN
Major, USAF
Adjutant

/s/ Edmond L. Fortin
/t/ EDMOND L. FORTIN
Major, USAF
Adjutant

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JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

EXHIBIT 6

RECRUITING OFFICE
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

6 July 1953

SUBJECT: Historical Report for the Month June 1953

TO: Personnel & Administration Office
Headquarters, 811th Air Base Group
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

1. A total of ten (10) reenlistments were accomplished by Base Recruiting Office during the month of June 1953.

2. The following is a breakdown of enlistments by Squadrons:

a. Headquarters 811th Air Base Group	3
b. 811th Food Service Squadron	1
c. 811th Operations Squadron	1
d. 811th Motor Vehicle Squadron	1
e. 811th Installations Squadron	1
f. 811th Supply Squadron	1
g. 31st A&E Squadron, 31st Strat Ftr Wg.	1
h. 468th Strat Ftr Sq, 508th Strat Ftr Wg.	1
Total.....	10

3. Included in 2a thru 2h, two reenlistments were from off base.

4. Included in 2a thru 2h, one reenlistee was releaved from active duty in commission status and reenlisted for the purpose of retirement.

Donald D. Greer
DONALD D. GREER
1st Lt., USAF
Recruiting Officer

EXHIBIT 7

BASE PERSONNEL SECTION
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

BASE PERS 314.7 2 July 1953

SUBJECT: Historical Report - Base Pers for the Month of June 1953

TO: Base Historian
Turner Air For ce Base
Albany, Georgia

E X T R A C T

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Information received from the Classification Section indicated the following number of personnel had met the Classification Board during the month of June 1953:

Officer	8
Airmen (Basic & Reservists) . .	32
Airmen (Other)	45

The AQE Test was issued to one hundred thirty-five (135) airmen during the month of June, and the Job Knowledge Test was given to sixteen (16) airmen in June.

Test scores were received on all tests in the 70, 43, and 64 career fields which were administered 27th and 28th of April. These scores were received by the testing section on 1 June 1953.

The Airman Proficiency Test was administered to a total of fifty-nine (59) airmen during the month of June 1953, of which number fourteen (14) were in the 96 career field, six were in the 60 career field, eight were in the 62 career field, nine were in the 47 career field, fourteen were in the 73 career field, and seven were in the 96 career field.

Statistics obtained from the Base Processing Section reflect the following changes during the month of June 1953:

Incoming Personnel:

Officers	22
Airmen (Basic & Reservists)	106
Airmen (Other)	53

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Base Pers. Sec, TAFB, Ga. BASE PERS 314.7, Subj: Historical Report - Base Pers for the Month of June 1953

Outgoing Personnel:

Officers (PCS)	11
Officers (TDY)	6
Airmen (PCS)	59
Airmen (TDY)	9
Officers (Released)	7
Airmen (Released)	19

Following is a breakdown of the strength figures for the 811th Air Base Group for the month of June 1953:

	AUTHORIZED	ASSIGNED
As of 1 June 1953		
Officers	121	108
Airmen	1741	2088
As of 30 June 1953		
Officers	115	103
Airmen	1690	2143

The following promotion quotas were allotted the 811th Air Base Group for the month of June 1953.

1	-	M/Sgt.
2	-	T/Sgt
11	-	S/Sgt.
26	-	A/1C
25	-	A/2C

All quotas were utilized.

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Status of training with regard to schools for officers during the month of June was as follows:

Officers attending schools as of 1 June 1953 14
Officers departed for schools in June 1953 3
Officers returned from schools in June 1953 4
Officers attending schools as of 30 June 1953..... 13

1 - Operation Bootstrap, University of Texas, Austin, Texas.
1 - Mass Institute of Technology, Massachusetts
1 - Stat Services Officer's Course #6834, Lowry AFB, Colorado

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Base Pers. Sec. TAFB, Ga. BASE PERS 314.7, Subj: Historical Report - Base Pers for the Month of June 1953

Status of training with regard to schools for airmen during the month of June was as follows:

Airmen attending schools as of 1 June 1953.....287
Airmen departed for schools in June 1953..... 6
Airmen returned from schools in June 1953..... 7
Airmen attending schools as of 30 June 1953.....286

Following is a breakdown of the airmen who departed for schools during the month of June 1953:

2 - Cummins 100 K W Crse, F. E. Warren AFB, Wyoming.
1 - Ground Radio Tech, Scott AFB, Ill.
1 - Accounting Tech. Lowry AFB, Colorado
2 - Armed Forces Information, Ft. Slocum, New York

/s/ John E. Schnell
/t/ JOHN E. SCHNELL
Captain, USAF
Base Pers Officer

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JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

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HEADQUARTERS 811TH AIR BASE GROUP
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

25 June 1953

SUBJECT: Three Lane Traffic on Avenue "A"

TO: See Distribution

1. To expedite the flow of traffic through the main gate, the following plan will become effective immediately:

a. Daily except between the hours of 1530 to 1730, the center and right lane of Avenue "A" will be utilized by incoming traffic. All vehicles in the right hand lane will continue straight ahead at the intersection of Avenue "A" and First Street. All vehicles in the center lane will turn left at this intersection.

b. Traffic entering the base from Turner City will enter the center lane. Vehicles approaching the main gate on the access road will enter the right hand lane unless directed into the center lane by Air Police Traffic Controller.

c. Between the hours of 1530 and 1730 the center and right lanes of Avenue "A" will be utilized by outgoing traffic. Outgoing traffic on Avenue "A" will enter center lane at the intersection of Avenue "A" and Second Street. Turner City traffic and other vehicles desiring to use the right hand outgoing lane will enter Avenue "A" at the intersection of Avenue "A" and First Street.

d. Upon leaving the main gate all center lane traffic will proceed straight ahead on the access road, and all right hand lane traffic will turn right at Turner City intersection.

e. Vehicles will remain in one traffic lane and will not weave from lane to lane. Speed limit on Avenue "A" remains at 20 MPH.

2. To insure successful operation of this plan, all personnel are encouraged to fully cooperate with and obey the orders of Air Police and the above instructions. Widest possible dissemination will be made to all civilian and military personnel.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMANDER:

CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt, USAF

/s/ Edmond L. Fortin
/t/ EDMOND L. FORTIN
Major, USAF
Adjutant

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HEADQUARTERS 811TH AIR BASE GROUP
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

BASE GS 1 July 1953

SUBJECT: Ground Accident Report for June 1953

TO: See Distribution

1. The number of reportable injuries to military personnel for June 1953 was seven (7). None of the injuries were serious, lost time totaling 51 days. This is a reduction from eight injuries for May, but the total is still high. The rate (number of injuries per 100,000 man days worked) was 5.51. This is above the acceptable rate of 5.00.

2. The percentage of injuries should be below the percentage of assigned strength. Comparisons are:

% of Military Injuries	Unit	% of Assigned Strength
28.57%	31st Strat Ftr Wing	26.24
57.14%	508th Strat Ftr Wing	20.96
14.29%	811th Air Base Group	52.80

3. Types of Injuries were as follows:

	Mtr Veh	Job	Barracks	Altercations	Total
31st Strat Ftr Wing	2	0	0	0	2
508TH Strat Ftr Wing	1	1	1	1	4
811th Air Base Group	0	1	0	0	1
	3	2	1	1	7

4. There were seven non-disabling injuries to civilian personnel, much the highest in two years. Two (2) of these were 31st Field Maintenance personnel and five (5) were AIO personnel. One of these was a rather serious eye injury. Cause - pouring an aluminum casting without protective goggles - Cure - Use proper protective equipment including goggles, gloves and apron.

5. There was one reportable government motor vehicle accident. The driver was on the perimeter road and hit a sandy place. He gunned the motor to get out and skidded into the fence. Damage was $69.00. There were three other accidents to government motor vehicles, each non-reportable as damage was under $25.00. The incidence of government vehicle accidents is risking and should be curbed. Prompt and positive action by Squadron Commanders is advised.

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6. Trends of accidents thus far in 1953 are:
Motor Vehicle
Job
Altercations and Barracks tied

7. Report on "Safe Wheels 53" Campaign.

Injuries to date	4 - Cost 20 points
Fatalities to date	1 - Cost 20 points
Government Vehicle Accidents to date	2 - Cost 10 points

Standing for May - 8th. Standing for June ?

8. The "Supervisor's Safety Management" course has been started and is on its second week. Attendance has not been up to standard, on the whole, causing many phone calls. The course is decidedly worth while, both for safety and for management practices. It is requested that full quotas from affected squadrons be at classes promptly.

9. Costs per capita (per man month) for the month of June 1953 based on assigned strength, civilian and military, are as follows:

	Cost of Accidents	Cost per capita/mo
31st Strat Ftr Wing	$414	$0.36
508th Strat Ftr Wing	$1,046	$1.18
811th Air Base Group	538	$0.22
TOTAL, TURNER AFB	$1,998	$0.44

BY ORDER OF THE COMMANDER:

/s/ Joseph E. Zuro
/t/ JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF
Asst. Adjutant

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JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

466TH STRATEGIC FIGHTER SQUADRON
508TH STRATEGIC FIGHTER WING
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

508SFW/466 10 July 1953

SUBJECT: Squadron Navigation Flight, Ramey AFB, Puerto Rico

TO: Commander
508th Strategic Fighter Wing
ATTN: Director of Operations
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

1. On 19 June 1953 the 466th Strategic Fighter Squadron, in compliance with 508th Strategic Fighter Wing Operations Order Number 105-53, was ordered to depart Turner Air Force Base with twenty (20) F-84G aircraft for Ramey Air Force Base, Puerto Rico.

a. The flight, under the command of Col Cy Wilson, Wing Commander, departed Turner Air Force Base with nineteen (19) aircraft at 0720 hours direct for West Palm Beach, Florida, where it effected a prearranged rendezvous with three (3) KC-97's and performed in-flight refueling between that point and Nassau Radio, in the Bahama Islands before continuing their assigned mission. Due to difficulties encountered in refueling from the KC-97's, the squadron proceeded on direct to Ramey Air Force Base by individual flights of four (4) and eight (8) aircraft. During take-off at Turner one (1) F-84, number 3248, aborted because of an emergency fuel test switch failure.

b. At 0715 hours EST, on 22 June 1953, the squadron departed Ramey Air Force Base with seventeen (17) aircraft on their return flight to Turner Air Force Base, with in-flight refueling being accomplished over Nassau with KC-97's.

c. One (1) aircraft, number 1241, aborted prior to take-off at Ramey Air Force Base due to a Schultz valve failure. Shortly after take-off Lt Col Cody in aircraft number 3236 had to return to Ramey due to his tip tanks failing to feed properly. The remaining sixteen (16) aircraft continued on to Turner Air Force Base without incident.

d. Col. Wilson elected to remain at Ramey Air Force Base to await the arrival of other units of the 508th Strategic Fighter Wing.

e. During their stay at Ramey AFB the 466th Strategic Fighter Squadron provided two (2) aircraft for fighter interception on a B-36 from the 72nd Strategic Recon Wing (V H) on 20 June 1953.

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2. OBSERVATIONS:

a. The 466th Strategic Fighter Squadron had two (2) ground and one (1) air abort during the entire mission. One ground abort at Turner Air Force Base was due to emergency fuel system test switch being inoperative. The other at Ramey Air Force Base was due to a Schultz valve failure and malfunction of the IFR system. The one air abort was primarily due to both tip tanks failing to feed and failure of the tip tanks pressure valves.

b. Only three (3) KC-97 tankers were present and available for the first rendezvous and in-flight refueling. Much delay and trouble was encountered due to the shortage of required tankers. Further trouble was encountered by the fighters when each tanker prorated or rationed the amount of fuel to each fighter instead of giving them a full load as pre-briefed and required. This resulted in two flights having to return to the tankers and performing a second transfer of fuel.

c. Malfunction on two (2) tankers with their booms and refueling systems plus inexperienced operators resulted in additional delays in refueling. Similar troubles of this nature were experienced on the return flight.

d. KC-97's did not fly the formation as directed in Second Air Force Operations Order. Tankers were flying in two (2) flights of three, one in trail of the other. The lead tanker was not located in this appropriate slot. Result was much confusion, excess radio chatter in individual flights locating their individual tankers. This was aggravated when the lead and spare tanker refused to accept fighters for hook-ups unless ordered to do so over the air or one of the other tankers was inoperative.

e. KC-97 aircraft were not equipped with either directional or homing equipment capable of directing fighters to them.

f. Tankers were flown too close together in formation for comfortable and safe operation of fighters making hook-ups.

g. Maintenance personnel assigned to the flight were poorly equipped with tools, equipment and spare parts.

h. Auxiliary power units capable of starting F-84G aircraft were unavailable at Ramey Air Force Base.

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i. JP fuel unavailable at Ramey Air Force Base

j. Air Rescue aircraft performed their mission in a most satisfactory manner.

3. RECOMMENDATIONS:

a. That supporting tankers and units be made aware of fighter requirement on each mission and provisions of operations orders directing such a mission be strictly enforced, especially in regards to types of formations, fuel requirements, and directional homing devices or rendezvous aids.

b. Adequate number of tankers and qualified crews be made available for in-flight refueling, requirements plus spares.

c. Adequate equipment, tools and supplies be furnished maintenance personnel prior to their departure in support of fighter mission.

d. If possible, when adequate auxiliary power units are not available at TDY stations, units be sent from home base in support of mission.

/s&t/ JOHN B. FRITZ
Capt., USAF
Operations Officer

A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

Joseph E. Zuro

JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

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NARRATIVE REPORT OF PROFILE MISSION TO RAMEY AFB

467th Strategic Fighter Squadron

The 467th Squadron departed Turner at 0730 on the 24th of June 1953. The mission was composed of four flights of fighters supported by three spare aircraft. The nineteen aircraft proceeded on course to West Palm Beach, Florida at 25,000 feet. Shortly before reaching West Palm Beach the aircraft descended to 15,000 feet and a rendezvous with six KB-97's was made directly over West Palm Beach. In-flight refueling was accomplished between West Palm Beach and Nassau. During the refueling, the tankers were forced to vary their course due to bad weather. After completing the refueling the fighters climbed to 40,000 feet and proceeded to Ramey AFB. All nineteen aircraft arrived at Ramey. A total of 56,000 pounds of fuel was transferred and each fighter logged approximately three hours forty five minutes flying time.

The Squadron departed Ramey on the 26th of June 1953. This mission was composed of four flights plus two spare aircraft. The eighteen aircraft climbed to 40,000 feet and proceeded on course to Nassau. Shortly before reaching Nassau the aircraft descended to 15,000 feet and initiated a rendezvous with six KB-97's just south of Nassau. After completing the rendezvous, the tankers proceeded on a northerly course out of Nassau. After completing the refueling, the fighters climbed to 35,000 and proceeded to Turner. All eighteen fighters arrived at Turner. A total of 72,000 pounds of fuel was transferred and each fighter logged approximately four hours flying time. The overall mission was considered very successful inasmuch as not a single abort occurred on either phase of the mission and

EXHIBIT 12

rendezvous' were completed at briefed times and places in spite of extremely inclement weather.

/s/ Marshall M. Barton
/t/ MARSHALL M. BARTON
Major, USAF
Operations Officer

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Joseph E. Zuro
JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

NARRATIVE REPORT OF PROFILE MISSION TO RAMEY AIR FORCE BASE

On the 22nd of June 1953, the 468th Strategic Fighter Squadron of the 508th Strategic Fighter Wing departed Turner Air Force Base at 0720 for Ramey Air Force Base, Puerto Rico, with eighteen sleek all metal F-84's with Lt. Colonel Joseph T. McKeon, Squadron Commander, leading.

The flight was made up of eight pilots from the 468th, eight pilots from the 467th, and two pilots from the 508th Wing. Take-off and join up were excellent insuring rendezvous time with the tankers. Rendezvous with six EC-97's was effected at exact rendezvous time at 12,000 feet over West Palm Beach radio with refueling beginning almost immediately. During refueling one F-84 would not take on fuel so that F-84 and his element leader returned to the coast of Florida and landed at Miami Airport.

Adverse weather during the refueling operation caused the tankers to alter their course to the right but refueling continued unabated. At the completion of refueling a join-up was effected and a climb was started to 40,000 feet. During the climb one F-84 had both tip tank lights come on indicating he had not gotten a full load of fuel. The aircraft aborted and with his element leader returned to Turner AFB. Climb was made under IFR conditions to 40,000 feet. During the climb one F-84 had both tip tank lights come on indicating he had not gotten a full load of fuel. The aircraft aborted and with his element leader returned to Turner AFB. Climb was made under IFR conditions to 40,000 feet where IFR conditions

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still existed. The squadron was kept close together until VFR encountered three hundred miles from Ramey AFB. The weather at Ramey was excellent with approximately one hundred miles visibility. Let downs and landings were made as briefed and in a most expeditious manner. Elapsed time was 3:40.

After getting the aircraft serviced and having the required maintenance completed, the 468th departed Ramey AFB on the 24th of June 1953, for Turner AFB, with seventeen aircraft.

Climb out was normal with only one aircraft aborting due to his tip tanks not feeding. IFR conditions were encountered again at the same place on the return trip, but it did not present any difficulty. Let down to Nassau and join up and in-flight refueling was effected with a professional touch. After refueling, climb was made to 30,000 feet and the flight on into Turner was uneventful. Elapsed time was four hours.

/s/ Newton T. Comstock
/t/ NEWTON T. COMSTOCK
Capt., USAF
Squadron Historian

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Joseph E Zuro

JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

BASE OPERATIONS
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

9 July 1953

SUBJECT: Section History for June 1953

TO: Base Historian
Turner Air Force Base
Georgia

E X T R A C T

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TRAINING AND OPERATIONS

The following is data on Base Flight aircraft, including Airplane and Flying Time for the month of June 1953:

AIRPLANE TIME:

T-6..... 113:50
C-47..... 178:10
T-7 ..... 77:55

Training	T-6	C-47	T-7
	66:10	10:55	33:00
Administrative	44:40	166:10	41:55

Flying Time by Organization:	T-6	C-47	T-7
Base Flight	48:05	221:40	110:10
307th Strat Ftr Sq	30:05	38:40	*****
308th Strat Ftr Sq	12:00	40:00	:30
309th Strat Ftr Sq	12:20	4:05	4:35
466th Strat Ftr Sq	15:20	14:50	3:40
467th Strat Ftr Sq	6:20	12:59	:30
468th Strat Ftr Sq	12:50	6:45	20:40

Total Flying Time by Type Aircraft:

T-6 ..... 137:00
C-47 ..... 338:55
T-7 ..... 140:05

Instrument Time

T-6..... 22:25
C-47..... 55:35
T-7 ..... 9:10

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Following are percentages of AFR 60-2 requirements completed by pilots assigned or attached to Base Flight for flying for the month of June 1953. Percentages are based on the annual requirements of 100 hours proficiency, 15 hours night and 20 hours hood and/or weather. Percentages based on (32) pilots present for duty.

Proficiency..... 100%

Night 100%

Hood and/or Weather 100%

Turner Tower processed four thousand six hundred and fifty (4,653) take-offs and landings, one hundred and fifty-seven (157) practice VHF/DF steers, and nineteen (19) emergency VHF/DF steers during the month of June 1953.

During the month of June 1953 the Base Operations Dispatch Section processed four hundred and thirty-five (435) incoming flights, four hundred twenty (420) outgoing flights, one hundred and fourteen (114) local flights and two hundred and ninety-six (296) transients and forty-nine (49) round robin flights which included instrument training flights, operational missions and minimum individual training flights.

/s/ Eugene W. Wolfe
/t/ EUGENE W. WOLFE
Capt., USAF
Base Operations Officer

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1st Lt., USAF

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HEADQUARTERS 811TH AIR BASE GROUP
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

BASE COMPT

17 June 1953

SUBJECT: Weekly Progress Report

TO: Commander
811th Air Base Group
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

E X T R A C T

1. The following report on the progress of the 811th Air Base Group for the week ending 14 June 1953 is submitted for your information:

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b. Materiel:

(1)

	12 Jun	12 May	Avg % for Mo Jun as of 12 Jun	Avg % for Mo May as of 12 May	Avg % for Mo of May
AOCP%	3.5	3.	4.7	5.3	5.6
ANFE%	17.6	7.5	22.4	7.6	13.4

The above table shows a decrease of .6 in AOCP rate and an increase of 14.8 in the ANFE rate for the average percentage as of 12 June 1953 as compared to the same period last month. At present, the Western Zone has priority over all items in the depots, thus decreasing Turner's supply effectiveness.

Following is a list of items which effected AOCP's and ANFE's for a period of more than five days:

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BASE COMPT, SUBJ: Weekly Progress Report

Class	Stock Number	Nomenclature	Type A/C	Qty	Days AOCP
01N	4839-TF29800-1	Pump	T-33 923	1	7
16E	3300-N/L	Resistor	T-6 398	1	22

Class	Stock Number	Nomenclature	Type A/C	Qty	Days ANFE
01N	1AND-30C78310-101L	Fillet	F-84G 307	1	9
03L	5621-30T24084-1	Connector	F-84G 298	1	15
0311	4890-870305	Compressor	F-84G 3317 3238 1337 1304 1260 3271 1265 3309	8	15
03L	5621-30T63031-T	Valve	F-84G 3261 3259	2	26
05D	6101-AY62801-11	Counter	T-33 216	1	10
11B	5200-008956-8	Amplifier	F-84G 1257	1	37

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/s/ Charles L. Lavergne
/t/ CHARLES L. LAVERGNE
2d Lt USAF
Management Analysis

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JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

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HEADQUARTERS 811TH AIR BASE GROUP
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

BASE COMPT 1 July 1953

SUBJECT: Weekly Progress Report

TO: Commander
811th Air Base Group
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

EXTRACT

1. The following report on the progress of the 811th Air Base Group for the week ending 28 June 1953 is submitted for your information:

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b. Materiel:

(1)

	29 Jun	29 May	Avg % for Mo Jun as of 28 Jun	Avg % for Mo May as of 29 May	Avg % for Mo of May
AOCP%	3.5	9.2	4.0	5.9	5.9
ANFE%	23.0	24.7	20.7	14.9	14.9

The above table shows a 1.9 decrease in the AOCP rate and an increase of 5.8 in the ANFE rate for the average percentage as of 29 June 1953 as compared to the same period last month. The principal reason for the high ANFE rate is the lack of needed items in the Eastern Procurement Zone. As a result, the requisitional items have been requested from Tinker and McClellan Air Force Bases (Western Zone) by the depot.

The following is a list of items which affected AOCP's and ANFE's for a period of more than five days:

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Base Compt, Subject: Weekly Progress Report

Class	Stock Number	Nomenclature	Type A/C	Qty	Days AOGP
16E	3300-N/L	Resistor	T-6	1	31

					Days ANFE
01N	1 AND-30F716141	Glass	F-84G	1	15
0311	4890-870305	Compressor	F-84G	8	26
0311	4890-840430	Disconnector	F-84G	3	13
03L	5621-30T24084-1	Connector	F-84G	1	26
03L	5621-30T63031-5	Valve	F-84G	3	37
11B	5200-08956-4	Amplifier	F-84G	1	14
11B	5200-172547	Charger	F-84G	3	12

Of the total number of A/C ANFE over five days, 10 belong to the 31st Strategic Fighter Wing, and 8 belong to the 508th Wing.

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/s/ Robert Kaufman
/t/ ROBERT KAUFMAN
2nd Lt., USAF
Management Analysis

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JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

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AIR INSTALLATIONS OFFICE
TURNER AIR FORCE BASE
Albany, Georgia

1 July 1953

SUBJECT: Historical Report

TO: Base Materiel
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

1. In accordance with 40th Air Division Regulation 210-1 dated 21 March 1952, the following report for the month of June follows:

a. Projects being administered by the Savannah District Engineers:

Project Description	% Complete
Administration Building (Contract No. 1512)	89
General Purpose Warehouse (Contract No. 1515)	83
Communications Building (Contract No. 1707)	51
Railroad Spur to Ammo Area (Contract No. 1720)	81

b. Projects administered by the Air Installations Office:

Rehabilitation of Hangar Doors in Bldg 5010 (50-52)	80
Construction of Lumber Shed (16-53)	100
Instl Fire Ladders and Landings (26-53)	92
Automatic Fire Alarm Systems (10-53)	75
Construction of Garbage Racks, PX & Officers' Club (48-53)	30
Rehabilitation Mess Hall - Bldg 2002 (42-53)	75
Flyaway Kit Warehouse (19-53)	33
Special Weapons Training Area (33-53)	50

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/s/&/t/ ROBERT I. DEWITT
Major, USAF
Air Instl Officer

JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

EXHIBIT 17

HEADQUARTERS, 40TH AIR DIVISION
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

PROCEEDINGS OF A MEETING OF THE TURNER AIR FORCE BASE CHARACTER GUIDANCE COUNCIL

I. CALL TO ORDER.

a. The monthly meeting of the Turner Air Force Base Character Guidance was called to order at 1330 hours, 3 June 1953, pursuant to Second Air Force Regulation 35-6, dated 7 June 1952.

b. Members present:

Colonel	Thayer S. Olds (Chairman)	CO, 40th Air Division
Colonel	Joe R. Williams (Steering Member)	Executive Officer, 40th Air Div
Colonel	William D. Dunham	Representing CO, 31st Strat FtrWg
Colonel	Cy Wilson	CO, 508th Strat Ftr Wing
Lt Col	George Sykes	Representing CO, 811th AB Gp
Lt Col	Albert W. Van Sickle	Base Surgeon
Major	Luther W. McArthur	Base Chaplain
Major	Johnnie P. Harlow	Base Provost Marshal
Major	George Williams	CO, Hq Sq, 508th Strat Ftr Wg
Capt	John E. Schnell	Base Personnel Officer
2/Lt	Charles S. Wright	Base Information Services Officer
2/Lt	Gustave A. Meier, Jr. (Exec. Sec)	Special Services Officer
M/Sgt	Victor R. Principal	Hq Sq, 811th AB Group
M/Sgt	Thurman E. Hopper	Hq Sq, 811th AB Group
M/Sgt	Kenneth Logan	811th Operations Squadron
M/Sgt	Chester R. Fraley	Hq 508th Strat Ftr Wing

c. Members absent:

M/Sgt	Glenn H. Mehew	Hq, 31st Strategic Ftr Wing

d. Other personnel present:

1/Lt	Charles A. Vogel	Personnel Services Officer
Mr.	Wayne Shields	Office of Community Services Headquarters USAF

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II. REVIEW OF PREVIOUS PROCEEDINGS AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

a. The proceedings of the April meeting were read, discussed and approved.

b. The Base Council requested the inclusion of a guest house in the master plan for the base. The Base Installations Planning Board has not met and discussed this project since the May Base Character Guidance meeting.

c. The Base Commander reported a Second Air Force Agronomist will arrive at this installation in the near future for the purpose of revising this installation's landscape development; therefore, new planting of shubbery by squadrons in their areas is discouraged at this time.

d. The matter of inter-squadron golf was discussed by the Squadron Athletic Council at a meeting held 26 May 1953. The Council will take a survey within each squadron to determine the amount of interest in such an activity and the Base Character Guidance will be informed at the next meeting of the Squadron Athletic Council's findings.

e. The Personnel Services, Air Installations and Veterinary Officers discussed the possibility of selling popcorn at the Base Theater, and they agreed that it could be done. The Special Services Officer is to check with Ground Safety Director insofar as safety regulations are concerned. This has been accomplished to the satisfaction of the concerned parties.

f. The Personnel Services Officer discussed the possibility of selling snack food items at the Base Exchange with the Base Exchange Council, since single men cannot buy at the Commissary. This plan has been adopted. Most of the Items are in stock and ready to go on sale.

g. The Base Council was informed that equipment was not available for the Mobile Kitchen Unit. Also, there are insufficient funds for the acquisition of a trailer and kitchen equipment. S-4 is working on this project and will continue to report to the Base Commander.

III. REVIEW OF COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS OF HIGHER HEADQUARTERS.

a. The proceedings of the first quarter 1953 meeting of the Strategic Air Command Character Guidance minutes were reviewed and the following was brought to the attention of the Turner Base Character Guidance Council:

"The Commanding Officer, 40th Air Division, recommends change in name of Character Guidance Council to, "The Air Force Base Personnel Services and Programs Council." The Strategic Air Command Council directed that the Commanding Officer, 40th Air Division be advised that this headquarters is forwarding suggestion to Headquarters, USAF for consideration.

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IV. REVIEW OF PROCEEDINGS/RECOMMENDATIONS OF SUBORDINATE COUNCILS.

a. It was recommended that a waiting station equipped with benches be erected in Albany. This would afford those airmen missing the last bus from town an opportunity for a ride to Turner. Signs showing motorists that airmen desire a ride were also suggested.

The Base Provost Marshal stated that this matter would be personally investigated by him and also discussed with appropriate officials of the City of Albany.

b. The erection of a building at the baseball diamond to be equipped with latrines for both males and females was recommended. Drinking fountains were also suggested.

The Council was informed that it would take more money than is available at the present time to erect such a building. It was suggested that a request be put in to Strategic Air Command for this building. This was referred to the Base Commander.

c. Recommend that profits from the SOWEGA Sports Car Races be utilized to install Air Conditioning Units in the airmen's mess halls.

It was stated the money remaining is insufficient to air condition the mess halls.

d. It was discussed why base buses could not travel beyond the 150 mile limit. It was felt by the squadron council that many airmen are interested and would go on fishing trips if transportation was available.

A letter has been drafted by the Personnel Services Office and is now up for approval by the Base Commander to be sent through channels to USAF for a clarification and interpretation of Air Force Manual 77-1, which prohibits the use of buses outside of a 75 mile radius.

e. It was recommended that the Base Exchange set up a concession stand at all ball games played on the base. It was thought that this suggestion would increase attendance.

This matter was referred to the Base Commander to see if the Mobile Base Exchange truck was available.

f. Numerous inquiries have been submitted concerning the possibility of collecting a small amount at each meal from NCO's that subsist in the NCO Mess to compensate for the excellent table service which is provided.

This matter has been referred to the First Sergeant's next meeting.

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g. The question of when the water coolers would be installed in the barracks by Air Installations was brought out.

Water coolers are to be installed on a contract basis and as soon as the contract is released, they will be installed. To date, there is no action pending.

h. It was recommended that squadrons be allowed to put up clothes lines, to alleviate untidy appearance of interior and exterior of barrack areas.

This matter is to be referred to the Base Commander and Division Commander for their views on the matter. The Council generally agreed that clothes lines be allowable.

i. Recommended that the Base Commander initiate an investigation as to the feasibility of constructing a trailer park on Turner Air Force Base.

This matter has been referred to the next First Sergeant's meeting and it was suggested that a survey be taken in each squadron to determine the number of personnel interested.

j. Council discussed the need for a more adequate filling station at Turner AFB, i.e., one that could facilitate tire changes and stalls for washing and greasing.

This is being worked on at the present time with very favorable results in sight.

k. Recommended that another gate be opened during rush hours to ease the traffic congestion which is so prevalent during the early morning and evening.

This problem is recognized and steps are being taken to solve it in the near future.

l. Pending remodeling under the new Air Force plan, request that paint be provided for the interior in airmen's barracks of this organization.

A directive states that unsealed barracks cannot be painted.

m. Discussion was held pertaining to feasibility of Special Services to provide furniture for the Squadron Day Rooms of the 551st Aviation Squadron. This squadron council felt that unit funds were insufficient for such a project now or in the near future.

The Council suggested the possibility of obtaining an Activation Grant for such a purpose be looked into by the Personnel Services Officer.

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n. Council recommended that the Post Exchange authorities check with the local Coca Cola agency in regard to installing water fountains attached to the vending machines.

The Base Commander is to contact the Post Exchange regarding the attachments of water fountains to the machines.

o. Crowded mess hall conditions were discussed.

Everyone is aware of the present temporary crowded conditions. When the renovation of Mess No. 2 is completed, this situation will be alleviated.

p. The council discussed the fact that on several occasions, the base theater was cooled to such a degree that it was very uncomfortable. It was recommended that someone check the temperature in the theater.

The air conditioning system in the base theater is checked periodically and works automatically.

q. Airmen, squadron-wise, have complained on the quality and preparation of food being served at Mess No. 1 during the past month. A number of airmen have been appointed to make a survey of the quality, kind and preparation of food being served for the next two (2) weeks. Recommendations will be presented in squadron minutes of June 1953.

The Council stated that all Squadron Commanders have been directed by the Division Commander to eat in the mess halls once a week.

r. The parking situation was discussed. Lack of parking space has reached a critical stage contributing directly to lowering of morale and efficiency of the personnel. It was recommended that areas back of these orderly rooms, 31st Periodic and 31st Field Maintenance, be graded, graveled and converted into a parking lot.

Ground and fire safety regulations sometimes prohibit the parking in some area adjacent to buildings. This will be included in the survey by the Base Provost Marshal.

s. The Base Surgeon discussed Blood Donations. A message was received from Headquarters, USAF pointing out the necessity for blood donations. The message stated there should be no stopping of the interest in the blood bank. The Blood Mobile will arrive at Turner on 17 June 1953.

t. The Base Council brought up the fact that there have been complaints of the Base Hobby Shop hours. It was suggested that the Personnel Services Officer look into the possibility of keeping the Hobby Shop open until 2200 hours. It was suggested that the Personnel Services Officer look into the possibility of keeping the Hobby Shop open until 2200 hours.

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u. The Personnel Services Officer advised the Base Council of a proposed trip to be made into the southern part of Georgia and northern part of Florida. The purpose of this trip is to make a survey of vacation spots for base personnel. Pamphlets will be circulated within all squadrons after this trip is made to notify personnel of the best vacation spots. Mr. Shields requested that this information be sent to the Office of Community Services also for use at other Air Force Bases.

v. A letter from Patrick Air Force Base commending the Turner baseball team for their excellent sportsmanship and behavior, while participating in a baseball game recently at Patrick, was read to the Council. The Council requested that this letter be

V. ACTION TO BE TAKEN LOCALLY TO IMPLEMENT RECOMMENDATIONS.

None.

VI. RECOMMENDATIONS OF HIGHER HEADQUARTERS.

None.

VII. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1530 hours, 7 June 1953.

APPROVED:

/s&t/ GUSTAVE A. MEIER, JR.
2nd Lt., USAF
Executive Secretary

/s/&/t/ THAYER S. OLDS
Colonel, USAF
Commander

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TURNER AIR FORCE BASE, ALBANY, GEORGIA

(SECOND AIR FORCE)

(STRATEGIC AIR COMMAND)

for

JULY 1953

History prepared by: T/Sgt Frank F. Aldridge

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40th Air Division
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ORGANIZATION AND ADMINISTRATION

I - ORGANIZATION AND ADMINISTRATION

Several interesting activities commanded the attention of the 40th Air Division and 811th Air Base Group during this reporting period. Among these were the beginning of the Air Force Aid Society Membership Drive for 1953, 1/ and participation by the 508th Strategic Fighter Wing in the Sixth International Aviation Exposition at Wayne Airport, Detroit, Michigan. 2/

During the month of July there came to the attention of the Base Commander the fact that there had been a number of discrepancies in the proper care and handling of classified correspondence, messages, TWX's and other similar material. It was discovered that some of these items had been signed for by various officers from time to time and that these officers had then been negligent in their responsibility to guarantee the proper safeguard of them. It was felt that even minor violations of security regulations governing handling and storage of classified matter might mushroom into a critical emergency. To forestall this eventuality, Major Edmond L. Fortin, Turner AFB Adjutant, brought this matter to the attention of staff officers who were, in turn, enjoined to fully indoctrinate all officers under their jurisdiction in the proper manner of handling classified material. 3/

These discrepancies centered mainly around the improper care of material with a low classification. Instances had been brought to light

1/ See page 36 for further discussion.

2/ See pages 23 and 24 for further discussion.

3/ Staff meeting, 3 July 1953.

in which individual officers had received messages from the Base Classified Section and failed to return or account for them. In several cases, the officers concerned had since been transferred leaving no record of the classified material.

Since this program of intensified attention to the proper care and handling of classified material was initiated, there has been a display of deeper appreciation of the importance of this matter. It is believed that future violations of this nature will continue to lessen and that the general security of the base will continue to improve.

A program of increased attention to the general improvement of the appearance of the base was initiated at the direction of Colonel John J. Easton, Base Commander, in July. This was begun with two main accomplishments in view. One was an aim toward increasing the general morale among all personnel assigned at this base; the second was to increase the overall economical operation of the installation. 4/ Operating under the premise that every individual is considerably more proud of his place of abode if it is clean, neat, attractive, this program should prove indeed successful. In addition, it is acknowledged that proper maintenance of buildings will appreciably increase their longevity. Since each of these are programs with long-range results, it is not possible to evaluate their value at this early date. Concurrently with this program, Colonel Easton stressed his desire that

4/ Staff Meeting, 3 July 1953.

more consideration and thought be given to established military courtesies such as saluting, proper address to officers, and others. With sufficient stress given this matter, the overall conduct and operation of the installation should increase proportionately. 5/

Progress of the external procedures program was running according to schedule and the final step was well underway. Since this was the initial experience of this nature, there was no pattern or model upon which to rely. Therefore, it was not possible to foresee that one binder would not be large enough to hold each procedure. So, there was an immediate supply problem when this factor was encountered. An emergency requisition was placed for 250 additional binders during this month. These are expected in the near future, and final completion of the venture will be forthcoming shortly thereafter. 6/

As requested by SAC, two ungraded civilian positions have been designated on the T/D-A of the 811th Installations Squadron for the maintenance and inspection of the Hydrant Refueling System. 7/ These positions were augmented by two additional airman T/D-A authorizations to the Air Installations Squadron. These new slots were effective 1 July 1953. Headquarters Second Air Force was informed of the change in T/D-A functional code to reflect these assignments.

5/ Staff Meeting, 3 July 1953.

6/ Interview w/Proj. Officer by T/Sgt. Aldridge.

7/ Hist. Rpt. fr Base Manpower Ofc, July 1953. (On file, Hq TAFB.)

A request by this headquarters to establish a civilian position as Management Training Instructor was approved by Headquarters Second Air Force with the provision that the space be filled from within the present graded civilian ceiling. 8/ Until the present hiring freeze is lifted, no recruiting action can be taken by the Civilian Personnel Office. 9/

A study of communications functions was conducted within the Operations Squadron for the purpose of revising all T/O's within this function. Forms 109 which designated the desired changes were submitted to Second Air Force on 8 July. These were approved immediately and will be reflected in August 1953 T/D-A's. 10/

The Manpower and Organization Section made a review of requests justifying augmentation of spaces reflected by the new airmen grade spread. Upon approval by the base commander, these requests were forwarded to higher headquarters for consideration. Word was received from Second Air Force that the request for upgrading airmen positions from Operations and Training and Materiel was approved. This change will likewise be shown in the August 1953 T/D-A's. 11/

As of 8 July, the hiring of graded civilians was discontinued as directed by Headquarters Second Air Force. However, commitments made

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8/ See page 6, 40AD and 811th ABG Hist for June 1953

9/ Hist Rpt fr Base Manpower Ofc, July 1953. (On file, Hq TAFB.)

10/ Ibid.

11/ See page 4, Hist Rpt, 40AD and 811ABG, June 1953.

prior to the hiring freeze were to be honored. Headquarters SAC announced that a reduction of graded spaces was necessary. 12/ The proportionate share of the cut for this base was seven graded spaces. The ungraded civilian spaces authorized this base will be increased by the number of graded positions deleted. The Manpower and Organization Section screened the civilian authorizations to determine the vulnerable spaces for recommended deletions.

A Personnel Processing and Separation Center is presently functioning of this base. The section is manned with "overage" personnel. In order to establish this function under an authorized manning standard, the Base Personnel Officer requested six airmen spaces to man the Center. The Manpower and Organization Section conducted a survey of the responsibilities and procedures of the Center in relation to that being performed in various squadrons before considering this request. 13/ The results of this survey are being used to decide manning actions required.

As a result of the release of a schedule for the review and revision of certain T/O's applicable to Turner AFB, the Manpower and Organization Section released a letter to all 40th Air Division units informing them to submit their recommended T/O changes no later than 18 September 1953. 14/ This was done in order to permit the Manpower and Organization Section sufficient time to meet a 20 October 1953 deadline for submission of these changes to Headquarters Second Air Force.

12/ See page 12 for further discussion.

13/ Hist. Rpt fr Base Manpower & Orgn. Ofc, Jul 1953, (On file, Hq TAFB)

14/ Ibid.

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The results of a survey by the Management Analysis Service was announced in July 1953. 15/ In May 1953 Colonel Easton requested that the Management Analysis Branch analyze the NCO Mess in order to determine whether it was operating in accordance with the best standards of financial practice. In the event this was not found to be the case, an improved method of operation was to be determined and forwarded with recommendations.

The SAC Air Base Group Management Control System criteria were used. Additionally, other generally accepted accounting standards in judging the Mess operation were promulgated. It was discovered that the NCO Mess was not operating in accordance with the best financial standards. Recommendations were made to increase revenue, decrease expenses, install a forecast budget procedure, and create an increased flow of communication between the Board of Governors and patrons.

The formulation of an accounting system for the Sowega Sports Car Race of 1953 was begun during this reporting period. This system was initiated to provide efficient operation through detailed internal control and accountability mechanisms as required by AFR 176-2, SAC Reg 176-5 and AFM 176-20. 16/

Elaborate provisions were made for handling personnel, material, cash and other revenues, ledgers, closing entries and statements.

The proposed system was forwarded to the Turner Airmen's Living Improvement Fund Council for consideration.

15/ Hist Rpt fr Management Analysis Sect, Jul 1953. (On file, TAFB, Ga.), and interview with OIC by T/Sgt. Aldridge.

16/ Ibid.

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II - PERSONNEL

The Base Personnel Office was concerned with several interesting activities during the month of July. These included the relocation of the Base Recruiting Section from Base Headquarters to the Personnel Processing Section, action by the Base Classification Board, administration of Job Knowledge and Airman Proficiency Tests, and the beginning of the 1953 Air Force Aid Society membership campaign. 17/

Since the transfer of the Base Recruiting Section from building 2004 in 1951, the Personnel Office in Base Headquarters had been overcrowded. This problem could not be reasonably solved since there was no other section under the jurisdiction of Base Personnel with spare room to which the section could move. 18/ With the reassignment of the Personnel Processing Section from the Headquarters Squadron Section to the Base Personnel Office in June, a move which involved no physical change, there was sufficient space to accommodate the Recruiting Section. This move was accomplished without incident during the first week of July. It has proved to be extremely advantageous to both sections. Activities within the Base Personnel Office are being conducted with greater efficiency since there is no longer a host of airmen being interviewed by the Base Recruiting Sergeant within that office. Also, it is believed that the Turner reenlistment rate will receive a substantial boost since physical facilities for conducting reenlistment sales interviews are considerably better at the new location. Some factors bearing on this change are more

17/ Hist Rpt for Jul 1953, Base Pers. Ofc, (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)
For further discussion on AF Aid Society campaign, see page ____.

18/ Interview with Base Rctg Off by T/Sgt. Aldridge.

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actual space with less office administration and activities nearby, and fewer interruptions by office personnel conducting routine duties.

During this month, 17 airmen were given the Job Knowledge Test. The Airman Proficiency Test was administered to 134 airmen during this period. A breakdown of these tests into separate career fields is included in the appendix. 19/

The Administration and Payroll Section of the Civilian Personnel Office processed 51 personnel actions during this reporting period. These consisted of nine accessions, 12 separations and 30 other changes involving promotions, reassignments and periodic step increases, in addition to changes to lower grades. At the end of the month 281 employees were assigned, the exact number that was authorized. 20/

On 28 July, a message was received from Second AF Headquarters indicating a possible reduction of seven graded spaces. To partially offset the impact of this reduction, seven ungraded spaces were authorized as increases. The present authorization is 140 graded and 141 ungraded positions. 21/

Training activities during the month of July consisted of orientation for approximately 20 new employees. These orientations lasted for two hours and covered placement, employee relations, classification,

19/ Extract fr Base Pers. Hist. Rpt for Jul 1953. (Exhibit 1)

20/ Hist. Rpt fr Civ. Pers. Ofc for Jul 1953. (On file, Hq TAFB.)

21/ Ibid.

payroll, administration, appeals, grievances, procedures, incentive awards program and compensation. The Civilian Personnel Office conducted 11 lectures to visiting ROTC cadets. These lectures, which consisted of functions and responsibilities of the Civilian Personnel Office, were one hour each in length.

Several visits were made to various departments during the month of July as a part of a program of planned assistance to supervisors. Among the sections visited were the Field Maintenance Shops, Air Installations, Fire Department, Engineering and Administration Sections. Supervisors were contacted during these visits and assistance was given to them on civilian personnel matters, plus a briefing of personnel management and responsibility. 22/

Civilian personnel surveys were completed for the Adjutant's Department, Base S-4 and Base S-1. Surveys were initiated in Air Installations, Engineering and Administration Sections, but are not yet completed. The completed surveys had considerable effect on determining which civilian spaces can be most efficiently released as a result of the forthcoming reduction in civilian personnel.

Recruitment activities during the month were confined to attempts to fill existing ungraded vacancies. As a result of a freeze which was placed on hiring for graded vacancies, no action was taken to fill vacancies created by normal attrition. Based upon information which

22/ Hist. Rpt fr Civ. Pers. Ofc for Jul 1953. (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)

indicated that the freeze would last from two to three weeks, this office contacted the Staff Advisor at Second Air Force regarding the possibility of obtaining permission to recruit personnel to fill the critical vacancies of General Engineer and Hospital Nurse. An answer was received stating that the present freeze affects all positions, and that recruitment for these positions was prohibited. 23/

The results of the 23 competitive stenographic and typist examinations held 27 June were announced by the Board of U.S. Civil Service Examiners. Preparatory work was begun on examinations for carpenter, painter, air conditioning and refrigeration mechanic, and air conditioning and refrigeration mechanic foreman positions. The results of these tests will be announced in the August historical report.

The number of reportable injuries to military personnel during the month of July showed a reduction of two over the month of June when only five were reported. This brought about a reduction from 5.51 for June to 3.70 for this month. The normally acceptable rate is considered 5.00 per 100,000 man days worked and although this month's rate is well under the acceptable rate, it is not considered any more than "acceptable." 24/ The total cost of the injuries was $37,868. This amount is in excess of the normal due to one death in the 811th Air Base Group.

In connection with the SAC Operation "Safe Wheels 53," a re-run of the Base Road-e-o was accomplished during this month. 25/ This event was run a second time in order to conform to the SAC policy governing it. This

23/ Hist. Rpt fr Civ. Pers. Ofc for Jul 1953. (On file, Hq TAFB.)

24/ Interview with Gr Safety Off by T/Sgt. Aldridge.

25/ Minutes of the July 1953 Ground Safety Council. (On file, Hq TAFB)

re-run enabled Turner AFB to compete at the inter zone finals at MacDill AFB. Three Turner AFB winners won their classes of truck, bus, and semi-trailer at the Warner Robins Air Materiel Area zone semi-finals and finals, and were eligible to compete in the USAF finals at St. Paul, Minneapolis, Minnesota during the period 22 through 26 September 1953.

During the month of July, the Turner Chapter of the Air Force Aid Society made 79 loans totaling $3,422.00 and one cash grant of $250.00. The loans exceeded June's totals in both number and amount. In June there were 57 loans totaling $3,133.00. A check for $1,600.00 representing excess funds was mailed to Second Air Force. 26/

26/ Hist. Rpt fr Pers. Affairs Ofc, for Jul 1953. (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)

OPERATIONS AND TRAINING

III - OPERATIONS AND TRAINING

The AFROTC encampments which were begun in June continued through this reporting period. The first encampment ended on 18 July. 27/ During the encampments particular attention was given to flight orientation in order that the cadets might leave with a more accurate and complete understanding of the vital role the Air Force plays in the national defense program.

A further aim is to instill in the prospective officers a sense of moral responsibility, a pride of service, a concern for the welfare of subordinates which are the mark of the best type officer when they are combined with honesty in the individual.

The permanent personnel assigned to the encampment which ended 18 July were the camp commander, supply officer and two enlisted administrative assistants, all of whom are members of this command. In addition to the permanently assigned personnel, 10 officers and six enlisted men from various colleges and universities were placed on TDY for this encampment.

Cadets were from the following colleges and universities: University of Maryland - 35; Ohio State University - 37; Lehigh University - 30; Pennsylvania State College - 40; University of Pennsylvania - 30; University of Pittsburgh - 20; Grove City College - 20; St. Joseph's College - 30; University of the South - 1; and Virginia Military Institute - 10.

27/ Hist. Rpt fr TAFB AFROTC. (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)

Of the 253 cadets reporting for the encampment, 22 were disqualified by the Turner AFB Hospital for failure to meet minimum physical standards required of Air Force officers. 28/

The training program for the cadets consisted of the following: leadership, drill, voice and exercise of command, physical training, aquatics, weapons and marksmanship, chaplain orientation, officer orientation, organization and functions of an Air Force base, including Air Base Group Headquarters, Wing Headquarters, Legal Office, Ground Safety, Comptroller, Medical Group, Food Services, Purchasing and Contracting, Civilian Personnel, Base Communications, Photo Lab, AIO, Motor Pool, Air Police and Prison, Supply and Warehousing, Personnel Services, and Officers Mess.

Aircrew and Aircraft Indoctrination Training including synthetic training, base operations, emergency equipment, flight planning, weather, navigation and navigation aids, maps and charts, GCA and ILS, ATC and AACS, aircraft maintenance, fire and crash, aircraft communications, survival films, and lectures and demonstrations.

A total of 238 cadets participated in over 300 hours for familiarization with flight activities and procedures. Included in this time were flights to Lawson AFB and Eglin Air Force Bases to witness firepower demonstrations. All cadets were also flown to Hunter AFB for orientation flights in B-29's and for a tour of a medium bomber base.

28/ See page 17, 40th AD and 811 ABG Hist Rpt for June 1953.

Nine cadets were commissioned in the AF Reserve at the end of the encampment.

The Air Base Training Flight conducted a number of interesting activities during this reporting period. Fire Safety Training was given to 143 airmen to qualify them as Unit Firearm Safety NCO's. 29/ In addition to the Safety Training, 39 other airmen fired the carbine and eight airmen fired the .45 automatic. AFROTC cadets also took part in the firing exercises at the Range. There were 197 cadets who fired the carbine and 235 who fired the .45 automatic. 30/

The Atomic, Biological and Chemical Warfare Department was also quite active during this period. The original course was given to 194 airmen and refresher training was given to 513 airmen.

Other training activities included ground radio instruction to two officers and 13 airmen, aquatic survival given to 13 officers and swimming proficiency given to 13 officers. 31/

July was an accident free month for Base Flight aircraft. There was a total of 597 hours flown during the month. 32/ The Turner Tower processed 2,042 take-offs and landings during the month.

The AFR 60-2 requirements completed by pilots assigned or attached to Base Flight for flying for the month were: proficiency, 41.3 percent;

29/ Hist. Rpt fr A/B Trng Flight for Jul 1953. (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)

30/ Ibid.

31/ Ibid.

32/ Ibid

night, 43.5 percent; and hood and/or weather, 36.1 percent. These percentages are based on the semi-annual maximum requirements for the 30 pilots present for duty. 33/ The discrepancy between the percentages reported for July 1953 and those shown for June 1953 are explained by a change in the method of reporting. Previously they had been based on a maximum annual requirements. Henceforth they will be based on a maximum semi-annual requirement since the results of this activity are evaluated at six-month intervals. This method of reporting will give a more advantageous concept to the entire procedure. Airplane and flying time statistics are included in the appendix. 34/

The Physical Conditioning Section had a full month during July. There were 471 conditioning workouts given to combat crews, 283 given to non-rated officers and 92 given to non-rated airmen for a grand total of 846. In addition there were 2240 physical training workouts given to combat crews and 1170 given to non-rated officers. 35/

On 1 July, the Synthetic Trainer Department received another C-11B Instrument Trainer. This is the second such piece of equipment this department has received in the last few months. The trainer came as a result of automatic distribution and is to take the place of the Curtiss-Wright Z-1B "Dehmel" trainer. Each jet fighter wing is authorized one C-11B for each 100 jet pilots assigned. At the present time, Turner AFB has about 230 such pilots. Therefore, it is believed that this will be

33/ Hist. Rpt fr Base Operations for Jul 1953. (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)

34/ Extract, Hist. Rpt fr Base Ops, Jul 1953, (Exhibit 2)

35/ Hist. Rpt fr Phy. Cond. Unit, Jul 1953. (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)

the last of this type trainer to be forthcoming under the present system of authorization. 36/

Mr. Ed Snyder, Link Aviation Technical Representative, visited the Synthetic Trainer Department to assist in the installation of the new piece of training equipment. This was the first visit by Mr. Snyder who recently replaced Mr. Pearlman as Link Technical Representative. There were no problems encountered in the installation of the C-11B trainer. 37/

The Synthetic Trainer Department operated a total of 474 hours during July. AFROTC cadets received 163 hours of this instruction. This amount of work was accomplished with one officer and 12 airmen assigned.

The month of July was one of normal activity in the Wire Maintenance Section. One private line was installed from Base Flight to parking area number three. This was a normal project and was accomplished without mishap or misadventure.

In conjunction with the new base defense system, an obsolete direct line connecting Base S-3 and the Air Police Headquarters was removed and the wire and other equipment salvaged. This line was obsolete and was of little value since more modern equipment was available on the base. Another purpose served by discontinuing this direct line was to make additional wiring available for use elsewhere. Re-use of this

36/ Hist. Rpt fr. Synthetic Trn. Sect. for Jul 1953. (On file, TAFB,Ga.)

37/ Ibid.

equipment means a greater savings to the Air Force, a factor which is in direct keeping with the present economy program. 38/

Another project of this section was the installation of a switchboard and six circuits with associated field telephones in the buildings of the 508th SF Wing. 39/ The 508th is using this type equipment for communication between sections of that organization rather than the teletalk system which is generally coming into prominent use elsewhere.

In conjunction with the Base Defense System, a field wire was run from the defense switchboard to the ammunition igloo on the flight line. This line was badly needed in case of enemy attack, and on the contingency that the regular telephone becomes incapacitated. Previous experience had shown that initial enemy action is aimed at disrupting communications within an installation. This new line was designed to maintain service in any eventuality.

Since June 1953 there had existed a break in liaison between the control tower and the storage equipment room two floors below. Once operations leveled off onto an even keel, it was determined that there was a valid need for direct communication between these two agencies. Therefore, EE-8 telephones were installed connecting them. Once the project was initiated, no problems arose regarding it. 40/

One of the major Operations projects occurring during the month of July was the transfer of the Survival School from the Altamaha River swamp near Hazelhurst, Georgia, to Turner Air Force Base. This move

38/ Hist. Rpt fr Wire Maint. Sect. and interview w/Tower NCOIC by T/Sgt. Aldridge.

39/ Ibid.

40/ Ibid.

was accomplished 30 July 1953. The original occupancy of the Altamaha River Swamp area was consumated by a "gentlemen's agreement," and there was no contract "in fact" existing. This agreement was between Turner AFB officials and a Mr. Wimberly, owner of the land involved. In view of this fact, there was no problem regarding the release of the land when time came to terminate this activity.

The Survival School was originally opened in July 1951. There were approximately 325 pilots completing the seven day course during the period the school was in operation in the Altamaha River Swamp. The logic behind the plan to have the school in a "jungle" area was to give pilots the confidence that naturally attends one who "has proved to himself that he can live off the land if he is ever forced to do so."

Previous instruction included both theory and actual survival. Due to an order by the 40th Air Division Commander, it was necessary to make the change. It is not possible to give an authoritative discussion on the effect this move may or may not have on the combat effectiveness of the wings stationed at Turner AFB. The overall results are intangibles not susceptible to proper evaluation until they have been actually tested under combat conditions.

A fire-power demonstration featuring Turner AFB F-84 aircraft was conducted at Fort Benning, Georgia during the month of July. This demonstration utilized napalm bombs which had to be airlifted from Eglin AFB, Florida. No small amount of confusion arose in connection with this venture concerning the location of applicable fuses and ignitors for the bombs. These were eventually located at Edgewood, Arsenal, Maryland. It

was initially contemplated that T-33 aircraft could be utilized to transport these instruments. However, during the planning stages, Colonel Easton pointed out that this was not permitted since SAC regulations prohibit this type aircraft landing at any other than SAC bases. In view of this fact, Major Leaford Bearskin, Base Materiel Officer, worked out the necessary details for use of a C-47 in this activity. 41/

After the fuses and ignitors were retrieved, the demonstration was carried out successfully and without mishap or further difficulty.

A second mission of importance was an official target practice by Air Policemen of this installation. This activity was also conducted at Fort Benning Military Reservation. 42/ During the initial planning stages, officials at the Fort pointed out to Turner representatives the fact that the Army could furnish ammunition for the venture. After considerable discussion, it was deemed that it would in all probability prove more advantageous for Turner AFB to furnish its own ammunition.

Several factors were taken into consideration in making this decision. First, past experience showed that much time was lost in activities of nature due to the heavy commitments for ammunition and transportation within the Army installation itself. Second, an excess amount of time is consumed in preparation for the details and in coordinating them. Also, there would be quite a large expense resulting

41/ Staff Meeting, 3 Jul 1953, and interview with Base Mat. Officer by T/Sgt. Aldridge.

42/ Staff Meeting, 3 Jul 1953, and interview with Air Provost Marshal by T/Sgt. Aldridge.

from the use of communications between Fort Benning and Turner.

In view of the fact that Turner had to transport Air Policemen to the scene via truck, it was decided that it would be better from a comprehensive standpoint, for Turner to furnish and carry its ammunition concurrently with the personnel.

The firing was conducted in four movements, one every two days until a total of 360 Air Policemen had fired. The overall time consumed was 10 days, since a week-end was not utilized.

The operation was highly successful notwithstanding two problems which were encountered. It was found that the two-day intervals for movements placed quite a hardship on operating personnel and contestants. Since the distance to and from the firing area was approximately 200 miles, every minute had to be crammed to the fullest. As a result, there was no spare time on the range for individual instruction which it is believed would have proved highly beneficial to participants. This is to be taken into consideration in planning for the next practice.

A second factor which had a direct bearing on the operation was the inclement weather. Although it is conceded that the planners had no control over this factor, an advance long-range weather forecast is to be studied prior to future commitments of this nature in order to take every possible precaution to preclude scheduling them when general showers or rain is predicted.

The Sixth International Aviation Exposition in which the 508th Strategic Fighter Wing participated, was held at Wayne Major Airport,

Detroit, Michigan from the 9th to the 12th of July. The 508th's part in this exposition was a part of the USAF's plan to participate in the public aerial demonstration. 43/

The purpose of the Air Force's mission in this activity was four fold. First of all, it was to demonstrate the progress the Air Force has made in aviation from its inception to the beginning of World War II. Secondly, it was to present the development of aircraft from the beginning of World War II to the present time. Thirdly, it was to demonstrate the kind and types of aircraft engaged in the four major missions of the USAF. The missions are: (1) Air Defense of the United States, (2) Strategic bombardment, (3) Tactical air support, and (4) Support for transports. Lastly, the demonstration was to present the Air Force role in Korea.

43/ 40th AD Hist. Rpt (Chronology), Jul 1953. (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)

MATERIEL

IV - MATERIEL

Several major changes and improvements took place in the Base Materiel Directorate during this month. An important personnel change was in the mill, but was not finally approved by the end of the month. This change involved the transfer of the Assistant Base Materiel Officer, Major Carl H. Neiswender to the 811th Motor Vehicle Squadron as commander. 44/

Plans were completed during this reporting period for the third semi-annual review of the Unit Allowance Lists which will get under way in early September. 45/ This review differs from the first two reviews in that an item-by-item review will be made of all authorization documents. To illustrate, UAL's, UPREAL's, T. E.'s et cetra will be reviewed rather than merely being confined to UAL's. A schedule of review of all organizations is being formulated by this directorate to comply with the deadline dates established by Headquarters Second Air Force. 46/

The AOCP rate for the month of July was 9.8 percent, which was considerably higher than the preceding month. This was attributed mostly to the quality of maintenance performed on aircraft engaged in a special mission. 47/ This created a terrific drain on critical aircraft spares and, in some instances, depleted both base and depot stocks.

44/ Hist. Rpt, Base Mat Ofc, Jul 1953. (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)

45/ Ibid.

46/ Ibid.

47/ Ibid.

The ANFE rate for this reporting period was 33.6 percent, which was considered normal for the number of tactical aircraft assigned. 48/

Establishment of the Tech Order file, begun in March 1953, was approximately 50 percent complete at the end of the month. The file, which is maintained in the Base Materiel Office, will contain 1000 volumes when completed. Although progress on this project has been running smoothly, a completion date cannot be estimated at this time due to the fact that this file system is going under constant change. 49/

The TDY kits supporting aircraft participating in gunnery at MacDill AFB, Florida were approximately 90 percent complete as of the end of the month. The only difficulty encountered in supplying these kits was the lack of support aircraft to keep a continuous flow of parts from this base to MacDill. This is one problem which is inherent in this type mission with only three C-47 aircraft assigned Turner AFB on a permanent basis. These kits were supplied by aircraft during scheduled courier runs, and a sufficient supply was maintained although a strenuous workload was placed on personnel since schedules had to be met and additional planning made in the event there was not sufficient room on the courier run for the kits. 50/

The VOCP rate for the month of July was 3.1 per cent. This was considered somewhat excessive whem compared with the preceding months.

48/ Hist. Rpt, Base Mat. Ofc, Jul 1953. (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)

49/ Ibid.

50/ Interview with Base Mat. Ofc NCOIC by T/Sgt. Aldridge.

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The major contributing factor for the higher rate was the lack of adequate stock levels on engineering equipment. A study was implemented by the Base Materiel Directorate in an effort to bring this rate in line. Re-establishment of stock levels for engineer equipment was one of the projects underway to accomplish this goal. 51/

The VOCM rate for this reporting period was 2.35 per cent. Although this was slightly above the June rate of 2.2 percent and the May rate of 2.0 percent, it was considered near normal. The VOCM rate will maintain an average rate which will not fluctuate more than 1.0 percent. 52/

The present trend of the austerity program in installation projects was closely monitored by the Director of Materiel, as well as the Air Installations Officer. This was deemed an absolute necessity in order that Turner AFB might maintain peak operational efficiency while stretching every Air Force dollar as far as possible. 53/

New construction projects on the base were progressing satisfactorily during the month. The new Headquarters Building was 99 percent complete at the end of the month. Plans for the movement to the new building were completed and the final coordination was accomplished by Lt. Col. Fred L. Houck, Movement Project Officer. 54/ The final movement order was tentatively set to commence 19 August 1953. It was not possible to firmly set a movement

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51/ Hist. Rpt fr Base Mat Ofc, Jul 1953. (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)

52/ Ibid.

53/ Ibid.

54/ Memo, fr Base Manpower Ofc, subj: Instr for Move to New Hqs Bldg. (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)

date due to actions by the Base Communications Officer and the Telephone Company. Final movement instructions informed sections that each would provide an airman supervisor at the point of departure and one at the point of delivery. To expedite the move, each agency was requested to prepare a plan indicating the specific location where each item of furniture was to be placed in the new building. This information was especially important in view of the fact that individual telephones require separate hook-ups. Since these locations could be determined in advance, they would allow the Telephone Company ample time to make plans for expediency. 55/

Other projects completed during July were: Rehabilitation of Hangar Doors (Contract No. 50-52), Automatic Fire Alarm System (Contract No. 10-53), Construction of Garbage Racks, BX and Officers Mess (Contract No. 48-53), and Rehabilitation Mess Hall, Building 2002 (Contract No. 42-53).

Other projects being administered by the Air Installations Office and the Savannah District Engineers are listed in the appendix. 56/

The Base Clothing Sales Store reported a total amount of $4,047.00 in cash sales during the month, representing an increase of $742.00 over the previous month. This increase in cash sales indicates that airmen are utilizing their clothing maintenance allowance for the intended purpose.

55/ Memo fr Base Manpower Ofc, subj: Instr for Move to New Hq Bldg. (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)

56/ List of AIO and Savannah Distr. Engr. Projects. (Exhibit 3)

MORALE

V - MORALE

The Base Personnel Services Office was instrumental in implementing a series of morale building activities on Turner AFB during the month of July.

Plans were made for a main event scheduled for 1 - 3 August -- a visit by a 10-man Japanese Judo Team for a three day exhibition of the combative arts of judo and karate. This team, foremost judo and karate exponent in the world, are on a tour of SAC bases to entertain airmen and their dependents and friends, and to instruct military personnel in defensive and physical conditioning skills. 57/ A complete report and evaluation of this project will be announced in the August 1953 historical report.

An undertaking which will give a substantial boost to airmen's morale was the completion of groundwork necessary to construct a dance pavilion in the Turner AFB picnic area. 58/ This was a result of a final decision to dispose of the money in the Airmen's Living Improvement Fund which was profit from the Sowega National Sports Car Races held here in October 1952. 59/ The cost of the pavilion has been authoritatively determined by the contractor to be between $12,000 and $14,500.

57/ 40th AD and 811ABG Hist. Rpt, Jun 1953, page 19., and Base Newspaper clipping. (Exhibit 4)

58/ See 40 AD and 811ABG Hist. Rpt, June 1953, page 33.

59/ Ibid.

Another morale project scheduled to be derived from the Airmen's Living Improvement Fund is the purchase and installation of a Bear wheel alignment machine in the Base Hobby Shop. The total price for this machine has been established at an amount not to exceed $2,000. Also, a $500 allotment has been set aside for the purchase of new curtains for the airmen's dining halls. The remainder of the net profits from the 1952 Sowega Races is to be divided equally among the squadrons according to the authorized strength of all presently assigned or attached to Turner AFB at the time of distribution.

In order to utilize the proceeds from the 1953 Sowega Races at the earliest possible time, the members of the Airmen's Living Improvement Fund Council decided in a meeting held July 10 on the following plan: January 31, 1954 was established as a deadline for approving projects to be derived from the 1953 races. Projects are to be selected from surveys and queries of Turner airmen. All funds remaining after the deadline are to be distributed to individual squadrons for disposition.

One of the most extraordinary improvements in morale was shown in the air conditioning of the Airmen's Service Club. This project was completed in June. Attendance at the Club has increased about 100 percent since this facility was finished. However, this increase cannot be completely attributed to the air conditioning since a Service Club Director also was assigned during the latter part of the month. There has been a considerable increase in activities available to airmen concurrently with both these additions. 60/ The air conditioning was

60/ Interview with NCOIC, Pers. Serv. Ofc, by T/Sgt. Aldridge.

authorized through a SAC welfare grant of $10,000 but the actual cost was $9,515. 61/

There were a number of important activities within the Personnel Services Section during this month. Among them was an AFROTC swimming and diving meet which was conducted at pool number one on 16 July. All AFROTC cadets participated in the body-building athletic event. Although there were no trophies or other prizes awarded, Flight four walked off with all honors. 62/

A track and field day was also conducted for the cadets during July. The program consisted of base running, relays, football and a tug-of-war. Although these events were highly competitive, there were no individual or flight winners announced. 63/

Classes were conducted in both elementary and advanced swimming for children of military personnel stationed at Turner AFB. At the end of July swimming classes, all proud youngsters received their diplomas and are now reasonably accomplished swimmers. 64/

Turner's modern, lighted baseball field was completed in July, and the local baseball team properly dedicated it by thoroughly humbling the Patrick AFB nine by a score of 11 to 2. An unexpected problem was encountered during the construction of the field. The type of sub-soil at this location is not adaptable to pole support due to its extremely

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61/ Hist. Rpt. Pers. Serv. Ofc, for Jul 1953. (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)

62/ Ibid.

63/ Ibid.

64/ Ibid.

sandy nature. When the poles were initially erected, they had a tendency to give way under their own weight. This problem was resolved by enlarging the holes appreciably and pouring concrete around the base of the poles. This successfully solved the problem and the structures are expected to stand firm indefinitely. 65/

Instructors of the Base Education Office conducted one-hour classes at the elementary level for those airmen needing such instruction. These classes were conducted from 0900 to 1000 hours five days a week, and will continue until the students are able to satisfactorily pass the Airman's Qualifying Examinations. 66/

A group study class in ninth grade English, begun in June, continued with a high degree of success. This class which meets each Tuesday and Thursday evening at 1900 hours, is conducted by Mrs. Thurman Hopper, an English major from the University of Georgia. 67/ This is another of the USAFI courses which have been conducted at this installation for the betterment of the Air Force and the individuals concerned.

The Base Rehabilitation Flight continued to attend classes on Monday and Friday afternoons from 1530 to 1630 hours. Instructors for these classes are furnished by the Base Education Office. The present enrollment is 45 students each of whom is studying English grammar and spelling. 68/

65/ Staff Meeting, 24 July 1953.

66/ Hist Rpt, Pers. Serv. Ofc, for Jul 1953. (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)

67/ Ibid.

68/ Ibid.

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Turner airmen have shown a keen interest in the base softball competition during the 1953 season. The climax of the seasons play was the chance to be selected for the 15-man all star team which will make a trip to Patrick AFB in August to participate in the Southeastern Conference District Three Tournament.

The Turner Athletic Council originally selected the three members which they thought the most outstanding from each team in the three base softball leagues. They also selected the managers from the three teams then atop the league standings to serve as managers and coaches of the all-star team.

After a two-weeks tryout and practice period, the final 15 men were selected to participate in the district tournament. The results of this sports activity cannot be reasonably measured in number of games won and lost. The actual criterion for measurement is an intangible "boost in morale." Notwithstanding this, however, the final results of the all star team will be published together with an evaluation of the effort at the completion of the play.

An activity which will possibly have a direct effect on the morale of Turner personnel in the coming months was announced in a letter from the Base Commander to all married military personnel and all dependents receiving medical care at the Turner AFB hospital. 69/

All AF bases are faced with a possible reduction in the number of medical officer assigned, and this installation in particular is faced with the possible loss of its only fully qualified obstetrician in the

69/ Ltr, Hq 811th ABG, subj: Reduction of Dep. Med. Care. (Exhibit 5)

near future. There is no way to guarantee that a replacement will be forthcoming. Therefore, dependents obtaining obstetrical care were advised to make alternate plans to meet the possible contingency that such service might be discontinued on very short notice.

It was acknowledged that a reduction in medical care for dependents would generally lower morale. Consequently, every effort was made and is continuing to be exerted to lessen the impact of such an eventuality if it should occur. In addition, a concerted effort continues to be made by responsible officials to maintain a fully staffed medical organization at this Air Force installation.

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SPECIAL PROJECTS

VI - SPECIAL PROJECTS

The American Red Cross Bloodmobile visited the base on 21 July. This visit is made on a monthly basis in an attempt to collect 200 pints of whole blood from Turner officers, airmen and civilian employees.70/

The Bloodmobile lists Turner AFB on its monthly itinerary from Red Cross headquarters in Atlanta, Georgia. The campaign to collect blood at this installation has been marked with a considerable degree of success since the beginning of the present calendar year.

Turner has been asked to supply 200 pints of blood each time the Bloodmobile visits the base. The total contribution from the base was 178 pints in June. This is only 15 pints less than the near record of 193 donated in June, but is considered standard when compared to the 181 average for the entire year.

Progress on the construction of the Airmen's Pavilion in the Turner AFB picnic area was begun this month. This project was initiated right on schedule and work was going along at a rapid rate. 71/ This activity is a product of the profits from the 1952 Sowega Sports Car Races held here last year.

The Turner Airmen's Living Improvement Fund Council made final plans in accordance with SAC regulations to set aside 10 per cent of the 1953 profits for the Dougherty County, Georgia Community Chest Drive. It was

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70/ Hist. Rpt, Pers. Serv. Ofc and interview w/Amer. RC repr by T/Sgt. Aldridge.

71/ Staff meeting, 31 Jul 1953.

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agreed upon by the council that this contribution would be made in one lump sum. 72/

The question regarding the advisability of setting aside the sum to be contributed rather than donating it outright was brought before the council for discussion and final determination. It was pointed out that a more favorable picture of Turner's participation would result from a lump sum donation at the time of the drive. The 10 percent donation from this fund plus the regular contributions from Turner AFB personnel at the time of the drive would enable the base to make one large contribution. This action would materially enhance a favorable public attitude toward the base and would go a long way in the continuing plan to promote a more congenial atmosphere in the relationship between Turner and the local citizenry.

The annual Air Force Aid membership campaign was initiated 25 July and will end on 8 August 1953. Colonel Olds, Division Commander, expressed a strong desire that Turner AFB outdo its 1952 membership drive, which resulted in this base taking second place in SAC in both total funds contributed and in the number purchasing life membership cards. 73/ The drive was initiated enthusiastically with a series of publicity activities including a historical background of the Society in the Base Newspaper, radio programs designed to stimulate interest, sales talks at squadron

72/ Minutes, TAFB Amn's Living Improvement Fund Council. (Exhibit 6)

73/ Interview w/AF Aid Society Proj. Off. by T/Sgt. Aldridge.

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meetings, Base moving picture shorts, and numerous posters displayed at strategic locations throughout the base. 74/

Although the race for life memberships is lagging considerably behind the 1952 pace, enthusiasm in this part of the campaign is reasonably high. As of the end of this reporting period, the 811th Supply Squadron was leading the base with 38 members. It was deemed appropriate to make note of the total number of life membership holders presently assigned to this Base. In view of the fact that these personnel are not solicited for contributions during any ensuing campaign, and since there is a minimum "saturation point" for such persons, this will be added to the report of the campaign to higher headquarters. This will enable Turner AFB to show results on a percentage basis rather than on a per capita or gross amount basis. 75/ A complete report on the campaign will be forthcoming when the campaign is completed.

A study was begun this month to determine what activity would be most suitable to raise additional funds for the AF Aid Society. Among the proposals studied this year were a Water Carnival at one of the base swimming pools featuring the Florida State University championship aquatic team, a street dance on the base, and a night of competitive sports between squadrons, and officers and airmen with prizes for the winners. This was to be concluded by a street dance. The fund-raising idea had not been decided upon at month's end. Since the fund raising idea will not be implemented until sometime after 1 August, a study was undertaken to

74/ Interview w/AF Aid Society Proj. Off. by T/Sgt. Aldridge.

75/ Hist. Rpt fr Pers. Affairs Ofc, Jul 1953. (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)

to determine the feasibility of extending the campaign until 1 September 53 to insure fuller participation of all Turner personnel. No decision on this matter was reached at this writing.

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ROSTER OF KEY PERSONNEL

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As of 31 July 1953

Headquarters 40th Air Division

Colonel Thayer S. Olds	Division Commander
Colonel Joe R. Williams	Director of Personnel (Prim dy) Executive Officer (Add dy) AFROTC Commander (Add dy)
Colonel Robert P. Montgomery	Director of Operations
Lt. Col. William B. Hawkins	Operations Staff Officer
Major Harry P. Wagner	Operations Staff Officer
Colonel Albert V. Kanig	Director of Materiel
Major Vernie G. Black	Project Officer-Sowega Sports Car Races
1st Lt. Ben F. Sands	Aide to the Commander

811th Air Base Group

As of 31 July 1953

Colonel John J. Easton	Base Commander
Lt. Col. George K. Sykes	Deputy Commander
Major Edmond L. Fortin	Base Adjutant
Captain John Schnell	Base Personnel Officer
Lt. Col. Chester M. Conrad	Base Operations and Training Officer
Lt. Col. Fred L. Houck	Base Manpower Officer
Major Leaford Bearskin	Base Materiel Officer

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Roster of Key Personnel - 811th Air Base Group (Cont'd)

Major John S. Dennis	Staff Judge Advocate
Major John J. Smith	Base Comptroller
Major (Chaplain) Luther W. McArthur	Base Chaplain
2nd Lt. Charles S. Wright	Base Information Services
Lt. Col. Chester M. Conrad	Comdr, 811th Operations Sq
Major Bruce B. Wilson	Comdr, 811th Supply Sq
Major Henry A. Blood	Comdr, 811th Motor Veh Sq
2nd Lt. Lee R. McNair	Comdr, 811th Food Service Sq
Major Robert I. DeWitt	Comdr, 811th Installations Sq
Captain J. W. Henderson	Comdr, 811th Air Police Sq
Captain Thomas M. Cannon	Comdr, Headquarters Squadron Section, 811th Air Base Group

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811th Supply Squadron
811th Food Service Squadron
811th Installations Squadron
811th Motor Vehicle Squadron
811th Air Police Squadron
Headquarters Squadron, 811th AB Group

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APPENDIX

BASE PERSONNEL SECTION
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

BASE PERS 314.7 3 August 53

SUBJECT: Historical Report - Base Pers for the Month of July 53

TO: Base Historian
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

E X T R A C T

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The following number of personnel met the Classification Board during the month of July 1953:

Officers	-	10
Airmen (Basics & Reservists)	-	35
Airmen (Other)	-	65

Test scores for the primary testing period, 25 - 29 May 1953, have been received in the 96, 73, 62, 60, 46, 47, 29 and 27 career fields. Test scores for the secondary testing period, 22 - 28 June 1953, have been received in the 29, 47, 60, 62, 73 and 96 career fields.

During the month of July, seventeen airmen were administered the Job Knowledge Test.

The Airman Proficiency Test was administered to a total of one hundred thirty-three (133) airmen during the month of July 1953, of which number nine (9) were in the 95 career field, five (5) were in the 83 career field, six (6) were in the 81 career field, five (5) were in the 77 career field, three (3) were in the 75 career field, four (4) were in the 72 career field, five (5) were in the 58 career field, nine (9) were in the 56 career field, seventeen (17) were in the 55 career field, eighteen (18) were in the 53 career field, seven (7) were in the 42 career field, four (4) were in the 36 career field, sixteen (16) were in the 32 career field, twenty-four (24) were in the 30 career field, and two (2) were in the 23 career field.

No promotion quotas were received for the month of July since quotas are now allotted every other month instead of monthly.

Exhibit 1

Base Pers Sec, TAFB, Ga. Base Pers. 314.7, Subj: Historical Rpt - Pers. for the month of July 1953.

Status of training with regard to schools for officers this station during the month of July 1953 was as follows:

Officers attending schools as of 1 July 1953. 13

Officers departed for schools in July 1953 1

Officers returned from schools in July 1953 0

Officers attending schools as of 31 July 1953 14

1 - Stat Services Officers Course #6834, Lowry AFB, Denver, Colorado

Status of training with regard to schools for airmen this station during the month of July 1953 was as follows:

Airmen attending schools as of 1 July 1953 286

Airmen departed for schools in July 1953 11

Airmen returned from schools in July 1953 7

Airmen attending schools as of 31 July 1953 282

Following list is a breakdown of the airmen who departed for schools during the month of July 1953:

3 - Accounting Tech. course at Lowry AFB, Colorado

1 - Management Course at Lowry AFB, Colorado

1 - 100 KW Generator Course at Francis E. Warren AFB, Wyoming

5 - Special Vehicle Mechanic Course at Francis E. Warren AFB, Wyo.

1 - Vehicle Maint. Tech. at Francis E. Warren AFB, Wyo.

Following is a breakdown of the strength figures for the 811th Air Base Group for the month of July 1953:

	Authorized	Assigned
As of 1 July 53		
Officers	115	104
Airmen	1690	2183
As of 31 July 1953		
Officers	115	97
Airmen	1690	2242

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Base Pers Sec, TAFB, Ga. BASE PERS 314.7, Subj: Historical Report - Pers for the Month of July 1953 (Cont'd)

Statistics obtained from the Base Processing Section reflect the following personnel changes during the month of June 1953:

Incoming Personnel:	
Officers	24
Airmen (Basic & Reservists)	173
Airmen (Other)	3
Outcoming Personnel:	
Officers (PCS)	18
Officers (TDY)	9
Officers (Released)	11
Airmen (PCS)	110
Airmen (TDY)	24
Airmen (Released)	43

/s/ Donald D. Greer, 1st Lt.
for JOHN E. SCHNELL
Captain, USAF
Base Pers. Officer

A CERTIFIED TRUE EXTRACT COPY:

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JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

Exhibit 1

BASE OPS 314.7 Subject; Section History for July 1953 (RCS AF-DS-U3A)

PERSONNEL

During the month of July there were (30) pilots, (4) Medical Examiners, (1) Flight Surgeon, and (15) Airmen assigned or attached to Base Flight for flying purposes.

TRAINING & OPERATIONS

The following is data on Base Flight Aircraft including airplane and Flying Time for the month of July 1953:

AIRPLANE TIME:

T-6.....123:50
C-47.....356:40
T-7.....115:55

	T-6	C-47	T-7
TRAINING	60:50	1:00	1:10
ADMINISTRATIVE	63:00	355:40	114:45

FLYING TIME BY ORGANIZATION:

	T-6	C-47	T-7
Base Flight	64:00	537:25	146:55
307th Strat Ftr Sq	14:55	15:00	7:45
308th Strat Ftr Sq	26:25	72:20	3:30
309th Strat Ftr Sq	2:05	20:50	0:00
466th Strat Ftr Sq	14:45	15:00	13:10
467th Strat Ftr Sq	30:25	62:50	12:15
468th Strat Ftr Sq	7:00	33:15	35:05

TOTAL FLYING TIME BY TYPE AIRCRAFT:

T-6.....159:35
C-47.....756:40
T-7..... 16:20

INSTRUMENT TIME:

T-6..... 18:30
C-47.....107:05
T-7..... ..... 16:20

Exhibit 2

BASE OPS 314.7 Subject: Section History for July 1953 (RCS-DS-U3A)
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Following are percentages of AFR 60-2 requirements completed by pilots assigned or attached to Base Flight for flying for the month of July 1953. Percentages are based on the semi-annual maximum requirements of 65 hours proficiency, 9 hours night and 10 hours hood and/or weather. Percentages are based on (30) pilots present for duty.

Proficiency. 41.3%

Night. 43.5%

Hood and/or Weather. 36.1%

Turner Tower processed (2,042) take-offs and (2,042) landings, (153) practice VHF/DF steers, (574) practice UHF/DF steers; there were also (21) VHF/DF routine assists, (20) UHF/DF emergency steers and (36) emergency VHF/DF steers given during the month of July 1953.

During the month of July 1953 the Base Operations Dispatch Section processed (453) incoming flights, (501) outgoing flights, (141) locals, (294) transients flights and (61) round robin flights which included instrument training flights, operational missions and minimum individual training flights.

EUGENE W WOLFF
Captain, USAF
Base Operations Officer

AIR INSTALLATIONS OFFICE
TURNER AIR FORCE BASE
Albany, Georgia

4 August 1953

SUBJECT: Historical Report

TO: Base Materiel
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

1. In accordance with 40th Air Division Regulation 210-1, dated 21 March 1952, the following report for the month of July follows:

a. Projects being administered by the Savannah District Engineers:

Project Description	Status of Completion
Administration Building (Contract No. 1512)	98.5%
General Purpose Warehouse (Contract No. 1515)	91.5%
Communications Building (Contract No. 1707)	72 %
Railroad Spur to Ammo Area (Contract No. 1720)	81 %

b. Projects administered by the Air Installations Office:

Rehabilitation of Hangar Doors in Bldg 5010 (50-52)	100%
Instl Fire Ladders and Landings (26-53)	99 %
Automatic Fire Alarm Systems (10-53)	100%
Construction of Garbage Racks, PX & Officers' Club (48-53)	100%
Rehabilitation Mess Hall - Bldg 2002 (42-53)	100%
Flyaway Kit Warehouse (19-53)	70 %
Air Conditioning of 3 Hospital Buildings (75-52)	15 %
Construction of Reclamation Building and Yard (23-53)	30 %
Construction of 8-Bay Segregated Storage Magazine (32-53)	32%

Exhibit 3

Projects being administered by Air Installations (Cont'd)

	Status of Completion
Construction Special Weapons Training Area (33-53)	90%
Installation of Latrines in Bldgs. 1104, 4011, and 5006 (45-53)	95%
Installation Dust Collection System in Bldg. 7503 (49-53)	20%

/s/ Robert I. DeWitt
/t/ ROBERT I. DeWITT
Major, USAF
Air Instl. Officer

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JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

Exhibit 3

JUDO EXPERTS HERE AUG. 1st

Ten leading exponents of the Japanese combative arts of judo and karate will arrive at Turner AFB on Aug. 1 for a three day exhibition period and to instruct airmen in defensive and physical conditioning skills, it was announced this week.

The 10-man team of experts, whose names rank among the foremost judo and karate exponents in the world, are on a three-month tour of the major Strategic Air Command bases.

During their stay here, the 10 specialists will give Air Force personnel a glimpse of some of the world's best judo-karate techniques. The main goal of the tour is to help train judo-karate instructors at each base. The team members will also be available for exhibitions before combat crew personnel.

Highlights of their schedule while at Turner:

Saturday, Aug. 1—Exhibitions of Japanese judo and karate at the Turner baseball diamond, beginning at 8:30 p. m. All military and civilians are invited to attend.

Sunday, Aug. 2—Judo instruction for civilian police and half of the Turner Air Police squadron will be given at the base gymnasium, beginning at 2 p. m. That night, (no definite time has been set as yet) they will give an exhibition in downtown Albany for the YMCA, Chamber of Commerce, American Legion and civic clubs.

Monday, Aug. 3—Judo demonstration and clinic for the second half of the air police squadron, wing combat crews and Turner judo instructors. They will depart for MacDill Air Force Base Monday afternoon.

Since early in 1952, training in combative measures like judo and karate has played a big role in the ground training programs of all Strategic Air Command bases. A knowledge of combativeness is now required of all air crewmen, who might someday be forced to bail out over enemy territory. In addition, SAC has also emphasized the value of these measures as an added self defense measure for air police and security forces, as well as commanders and other key personnel.

A major problem has always been the acquiring and training of qualified instructors. Consequently, at each base to be visited during the present tour, the 10-man team will work directly with physical conditioning instructor staffs and give them advance training pointers.

Members of the 10-man team of visitors include Sumiyuki Kotani, chief instructor, foreign section, Kodokan Institute; Tadao Otake, professor at Kyoiku University; Kanji Tomiki, ranking expert in "self-defense" measures; Chugo Sato, expert in Kata (form throwing); Kusuo Hosokawa, instructor at Japan Police College; Hidetaka Nishiyama, ranking karate expert; Takahiko Ishikawa, 1950-51 Judo Champion; Isao Obata, head professor at Karate Institute; Kiyoshi Kobyashi, 1949 Tokyo Judo Champion, and Toshio Kamada, karate expert.

Above are ten successful Japanese business men. Their business is the art of self defense. The ten man judo-karate team will participate in demonstrations at Turner and Albany during their five day stay, August 1-3. Back row: Hosokawa, Kotani, Kobayashi, Ishikawa, Obata, Otaki; front row: Tomiki, Kamata, Nishiyama.

Exhibit 4

HEADQUARTERS 811TH AIR BASE GROUP
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

BASE CO

22 July 1953

SUBJECT: Reduction in Dependent Medical Care

TO: See Distribution

1. All Air Force Bases face a possible reduction in the number of assigned medical officers. Should this occur, the loss of doctors in certain specialties may necessitate the curtailment or even discontinuance of some clinics or hospitalization currently available for dependents. Every effort will be exerted, however, to maintain the varied medical staff necessary to continue as many services as possible to military dependents.

2. Turner Air Force Base is faced with the loss of its only fully qualified obstetrician in the near future, possibly without replacement. Since procurement of a qualified obstetrician cannot be guaranteed, dependents obtaining obstetrical care are advised to make alternate plans to meet the possible contingency that such service may be discontinued with the minimum of notice.

3. It is hoped that the dependent service currently available at our hospital may be continued. However, its continuance is dependent entirely on the availability of qualified medical personnel.

/s/ John J. Easton
/t/ JOHN J. EASTON
Colonel, USAF
Commander

DISTRIBUTION TO:

All married military personnel
All dependents receiving medical care at TAFB Hospital

A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

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JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

Exhibit 5

MINUTES OF MEETING

TURNER AIRMEN'S LIVING IMPROVEMENT FUND COUNCIL

Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

A meeting of the Turner Airmen's Living Improvement Fund Council was convened at Headquarters 40th Air Division, in the office of the Division Commander, at 1600 hours, 10 July 1953.

There were present:

Colonel Thayer S. Olds
Colonel John J. Easton
Colonel David C. Schilling
Colonel Cy Wilson
Major John J. Smith
Major Vernie G. Black
Major Robert I. DeWitt
Captain John E. Schnell
2nd Lt. Robert Kaufman

comprising a quorum of the board; also

1st Lt. Ben F. Sands
2nd Lt. Charles S. Wright

Absent:

1st Lt. Louis V. DiDonato — To represent Major John S. Dennis

1. REQUEST FOR COUNCIL's DECISION AS TO DISPENSATION OF TEN PERCENT OF THE PROCEEDS FROM SOWEGA RACES THIS YEAR:

In accordance with the SAC Regulation re non-appropriated funds, ten percent of the proceeds will be given to Air Force Aid Society and ten percent may be given to a local charitable enterprise. Last year this donation was made to the Community Chest organization, known as Dougherty County Public Solicitations, Inc. Council was requested to decide if this year's ten percent proceeds would go to the same organization.

a. Council's discussion of this request is as follows:

(1) The question was brought before the Council as to the advisability of setting aside the sum to be contributed to the Community Chest, rather than donating it outright. At the time when the regular "drive" for this organization is in process, this base can donate this amount plus the regular contributions, thereby having one large lump sum. This action would serve to improve community relations, also.

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(2) Colonel Olds, agreeing with this suggestion, pointed out that the ten percent profit from the races was not widely publicized due to the fact that many persons would consider their purchase of a ticket to the races as their contributions to the Community Chest.

b. Decision of the Council:

On motions made and seconded, the members voted unanimously to:

(1) Contribute the usual ten percent of the net profits to Community Chest.

(2) Set aside this amount until such time as the annual Community Chest drive begins, donating this sum and the usual contributions in one lump sum.

2. REQUEST FOR STAMPS AND STATIONERY.

a. Major Black stated that letterhead stationery and stamps were already needed, and requested approval for the following: two hundred 6¢ stamps and three hundred 3¢ stamps, making a total of $21.00. Also: 1,000 Letterhead stationery sheets - $17.00; 1,000 envelopes - $13.70; and 500 second sheets - $3.15; thus making a total of $54.85 for stamps and stationery. The following recommendation was made:

(1) A fund should be provided for administrative purposes, not to exceed $100.00. This fund would be available to Major Black as custodian, and will have to be accounted for as money is expended. Lt. Kaufman will vouch for the bills.

b. Decision of the Council:

(1) Motion was made and seconded to allocate $100.00 for administrative purposes. This fund will be available to Major Black, with the directive that he accounts for it by receipts. All members voted unanimously in agreement to the above.

3. DISCUSSION OF UTILIZATION OF PROFITS DERIVED FROM THE COMING SOWEGA RACE:

a. An Opinion Survey was conducted in a base-wide effort to have the airmen suggest utilization of the profits of the coming races, with the following results:

(1) Of the 1800 surveys that were distributed within the Air Base Group, 1100 were returned, indicating the following:

75% - pro-rated to each squadron for spending;

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Of the remaining 25%:

30% - Water coolers in barracks
28% - Attic fans in barracks
20% - Air condition mess hall
15% - Washington machines in barracks
5% - Improve and enlarge Hobby Shop
2% - Miscellaneous items, such as: Television sets for Day Rooms; air condition library; boats for boat docks; air condition barracks; and athletic equipment.

(2) Survey within the 31st Wing indicated three priorities:

First : Pro-rated to each squadron
Second : Hobby Shop improvements
Third : Air condition mess hall

(3) Survey within the 508th Wing indicated:

70% - Desire pro rata basis (per squadron
Remaining personnel: Air condition mess hall.

b. Members decided that 31 January 1954 would be the deadline for cdetermining what projects would be approved to begin work on with the proceeds of the coming races, with the remaining amount to be pro-rated to the squadrons. In the event that a definite project has not been approved by that date, the entire amount set aside for such will be prorated to the squadron.

4. UTILIZATION OF FUNDS DERIVED FROM LAST YEAR's SPORT CAR RACES

Due to the fact that none of the contractor's bids for erecting the picnic pavilion were considered reasonable, it was decided that Mr. Brimberry and Lt. Kaufman would negotiate with several other contractors for a lower price, and have a change order accomplished along with the old contract, if necessary, deleting electricity, plumbing and/or painting. The following issues were discussed.

a. Division of money on a pro-rata basis will be according to the authorized strength of all presently assigned or attached squadrons on Turner Air Force Base at the time of the distribution.

b. $14,500 will be set aside for contractor's bid.

c. $500 will be allocated for the purpose of buying curtains for the mess halls.

d. $2,000 will be allocated for the purchase of a Bear wheel alignment machine for the Hobby Shop.

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e. The funds remaining, approximately $9,000, will be divided on a pro rata basis to the squadrons on Turner AFB.

f. Decision of the Council:

On motion made and seconded, the members voted unanimously to:

(1) Set aside $14,500 for contractor's bid; $500 for the purchase of curtains for mess halls; $2,000 for the purchase of a Bear wheel alignment machine for the Hobby Shop; and pro-rate the funds remaining, except amusement tax reserve of $5,000 and $10,000 for the 1953 Sowega Sports Races operating fund, to all squadrons and detachments on the base.

5. As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

/s/ Robert Kaufman
/t/ ROBERT KAUFMAN
2nd Lt., USAF
Custodian

/s/ Thayer S. Olds
/t/ THAYER S. OLDS
Colonel, USAF
Chairman

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TURNER AIR FORCE BASE, ALBANY, GEORGIA

(SECOND AIR FORCE)

(STRATEGIC AIR COMMAND)

for

AUGUST 1953

History prepared by: T/Sgt Frank F. Aldridge

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Colonel, USAF
Base Commander

THAYER S. OLDS
Colonel, USAF
40th Air Division
Commander

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CHRONOLOGY

1 - 3 August 1953	-	Visit of Japanese Judo Team.
8 August	-	Completion of 1953 Air Force Aid Society Membership Campaign, which began 25 July 1953.
11 August	-	Press representatives from Philadelphia arrived to visit Turner AFROTC Summer Camp
18 August	-	Official acceptance of new administration building at 1100 hours. Colonel Olds officiated at opening ceremony.
20 August	-	Operation "Longstride" launched.
22 August	-	Graduation from summer camp of AFROTC cadets, the second and final encampment of this summer.
31 August	-	Meeting of Turner Airmen's Living Improvement Fund Council in the Base Conference Room. Major Albert D. Simmons entered on duty with D/Opr, 40th Air Division, as Operations Staff Officer.

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I - ORGANIZATION AND ADMINISTRATION

Foremost among the highlights occurring within the 40th Air Division and the 811th Air Base Group in August 1953 was the epic and record-making non-stop in-flight refueling hop across the Atlantic by men of the 31st and 508th Strategic Fighter Wings. 1/

Designated "Operation Longstride," the flight was conducted 20 August 1953. Aircraft of the 508th Wing, led by Colonel Thayer S. Olds, 40th Air Division Commander, and Colonel Cy Wilson, 508th Wing Commander, departed Turner AFB at 0300 hours and landed at Lakenheath, England eleven hours and twenty minutes later. 2/

Concurrently, planes of the 31st Wing, led by Colonel David C. Schilling, Wing Commander, spanned the Atlantic and landed at Nouasseur, French Morocco in ten hours and twenty-one minutes. There was a total of 28 F-84E Thunderjets participating in this flight which was the longest non-stop over-water flight by jet powered fighter aircraft in aviation history. Twenty-five jets actually completed the trail-blazing venture. Three of the Lakenheath group had refueling trouble over the ocean and landed in Iceland.

All 25 planes reaching Lakenheath and Nouasseur non-stop were refueled in flight by Boeing tankers. One of the aims of the flights was to provide training for crews in mid-air transfer of jet fuel.

1/ Ops Order 2AFOCB 8835, dtd 6 Aug 1953 (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)

2/ Interview w/Col. Olds, Div Comdr, by T/Sgt. Aldridge.

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Colonel William D. Dunham, project officer for "Operation Longstride," stated that the mission was highly successful, and that each person who had any part in the operation deserved a note of appreciation for such a successful accomplishment. 3/

In addition to the over-water flight, the wings performed classified training missions while in England and North Africa. A number of pilots who did not take part in the initial flight joined the wings at the overseas bases and participated in the training activities.

The flight of the 31st Wing to French Morocco covered 4,470 miles while the one to England by the 508th Wing was 4,485 miles. Each wing averaged nearly 450 miles an hour during the mission. This activity was a part of the Strategic Air Command's never-ending struggle to increase its ability to retaliate quickly and decisively if the United States is attacked by an enemy power. 4/

An accomplishment which was long in the making was finally fulfilled when the move to the new headquarters building was completed during the fourth week in August. 5/ The move was made by sections according to a pre-arranged schedule. Trucks were supplied by the Base Motor Pool and a detail of prisoners assisted each section with movement of desks, file cabinets and other office furniture.

3/ Base Newspaper, FIGHTERS IN-FORMATION, 28 Aug 1953. (On file, Hq Turner AFB, Ga.)

4/ For detailed info, see 31st SFW and 508th SFW August histories.

5/ Hist. Rpt fr Base Mat Ofc, Aug 1953. (On file, Hq Turner AFB, Ga.)

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At the behest of Colonel John J. Easton, Base Commander, August marked the beginning of generally increased attention to the conservation of all operations at this installation which require the expenditure of funds. 6/

Due to budgetary limitations imposed by Congress, it is imperative that expenditures be strictly controlled. The impact of the cut in operating funds for the fiscal year 1954 was fully explained to all staff officers by Major John J. Smith, Base Comptroller, at a staff meeting early in this reporting period. 7/

At that time it was stressed by the base commander that it was essential that the general cost of maintenance of the base be reduced. As a direct means to begin this accomplishment, he appointed Lieutenant Colonel Leaford Bearskin base conservation officer. Colonel Bearskin then appointed a squadron conservation officer in each unit on the base. 8/

The primary objective of the base conservation officer is to implement a program of individual awareness to economy among every officer and enlisted man assigned to this installation.

It is believed that the cost of water, electricity and fuel alone can be decreased approximately $15,000 during 1954 by viligant and constant attention to the problem. 9/

The original budget requirement for the fiscal year 1954 was estimated to be $582,000. Advice so far received here indicates that the

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6/ Staff Meeting, 4 Aug 1953.

7/ Ibid.

8/ Hist. Rpt, Base Mat Sect, Aug 1953, (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.) and Staff Meeting, 4 Aug 1953.

9/ Staff Meeting, 4 August 1953.

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annual authorization will be about $500,000. This is a reduction of 16 per cent under the 1953 authorization. 10/

During the first three months of FY 1954 this base was authorized to incur obligations on a limited monthly basis. Since the monthly limitation may not be exceeded for any cause, a definite lack of flexibility with the use of funds occurred. 11/ The lack of flexibility resulted in several problems concerning the ability to meet base fund requirements.

The budget situation for the fiscal year 1954 had a terrific impact on every activity on Turner AFB. Several problems came to light during the planning to meet base fund requirements. 12/

The first major problem uncovered was a misunderstanding of the procedure and responsibilities regarding the official obligation of funds. The misunderstanding centered around the Purchasing and Contracting Officer's and the Budget and Accounting Officer's opinions of the meaning of the latter's signature on a "Purchase Request." The Budget and Fiscal Officer believed that his signature on the "Request" merely meant that "sufficient funds are available to make this purchase." He then was content to wait until the "Purchase Order" came from the Purchasing and Contracting Officer before he actually obligated the funds. The Purchasing and Contracting Officer thought that the Budget and Accounting Officer's signature on the

10/ Hist. Rpt fr Base Compt, Aug 1953. (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)

11/ Ibid.

12/ Interview w/Budget & Acct. Off. by T/Sgt. Aldridge.

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"Purchase Request" meant that the funds had actually been obligated. Therefore, the P and C Officer made up the "Purchase Order," accepted bids, negotiated for items and made purchases, all before the funds were actually obligated by the Budget and Accounting Officer.

The Budget and Accounting Officer signed a large number of "Purchase Requests" on the assumption that he would have a chance to stop the purchase when the "Purchase Order" came across his desk for signature, if such disapproval was justified by limited funds or other reasons. Since procurement was made by the P and C Officer on the strength of the Budget and Accounting Officer's signature on the "Purchase Request," the Budget and Accounting Officer had no chance to control the obligation of funds. The result was that the authorized amount for object class 08 (supplies and materials) was expended through 30 September 1953, and other elements of the base budget were curtailed as a consequence.

The office of the Base Comptroller acted as liaison between these two offices and resolved the controversy by designating each "Purchase Request" an official document for which money had, in effect, been obligated when it was signed by the Budget and Accounting Officer. In this way, a closer check can be maintained on obligated funds since each office accepts the signed "Purchase Request" as a basis for final action. 13/

A second problem was the additional burden on the supply funding program by procurement action based on the establishment of annual stock levels for certain items in Base Supply. 14/

In recognition of the fund limitations, both quantity-wise and

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13/ Hist. Rpt fr Base Compt. Ofc, Aug 1953. (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)

14/ Ibid.

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time-wise, information was received from higher headquarters that the annual stockage program will be discontinued and that stock levels will be set at 60 day levels. 15/ This relieved a considerable amount of the burden placed on the fund program for supplies and materials.

The third problem that arose in connection with the monthly limitation on obligations was related to the burden placed on the travel program by gunnery exercises of the 31st Strategic Fighter Wing at MacDill Air Force Base. Because of excessive travel requirements, funds which normally would have been used for supplies and material were used to meet travel requirements. 16/

In order to remedy this situation the Base Comptroller took action to remove all unliquidated obligations from travel ledgers by means of a letter to each individual concerned requesting that they claim travel allowances which were set aside for them, establish the fact that they do not wish to claim the allowance, or verify that the travel was not accomplished. It was believed that this action would make additional funds available to meet the supply and material requirements. 17/

Indications were that fund limitations would be a continuing problem throughout the remainder of FY 1954, and that the amount of money available would not materially increase over the tentative $500,00 authorization. Therefore, it is mandatory that every individual concerned with the obligation of local funds realize the necessity of accomplishing their assigned

15/ Hist. Rpt fr Base Compt Ofc, Aug 1953. (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)

16/ Ibid.

17/ Ibid.

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mission with fewer monetary resources. This point was repeatedly stressed at staff meetings and at squadron commanders' meetings.

The financial strain resulting from restrictions on funds is expected to be alleviated during October with the discontinuance of the monthly limitation of obligation of funds. It is believed that authorizations will be received on a quarterly basis as was the practice previous to FY 1954. The primary reason for monthly limitations was the delay in congressional action relating to the appropriations for the Department of Defense. Additionally, monthly limitations were utilized by higher command to encourage installations to secure maximum value for every dollar available to them. 18/

During the month of July progress on the external procedures program almost came to a complete halt as a result of an unforeseen need for approximately 250 additional binders. 19/ At that time an emergency requisition was placed for the binders. These were forthcoming during the early part of this reporting period with the result that external procedures was officially completed and made of record in August 1953. 20/

With the completion of external procedures, First Lieutenant Joseph E. Zuro, Project Officer, wasted no time in implementing the internal procedures portion of the program. No problems were encountered in the beginning of this venture, and experience gained from the promulgation of external procedures has so far proved invaluable in conducting internal procedures.

18/ Hist. Rpt fr Base Compt Ofc, Aug 1953. (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)

19/ Ibid.

20/ See page 6, Hist. Rpt, 40th AD & 811th AB Gp for July 1953.

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In April 1952, a Squadron Rating System for the 811th Air Base Group was put into operation. The primary objective of this device was intended primarily to improve management procedures within each unit. 21/

The system provided for one squadron to be awarded an "Honor Plaque" on a monthly basis as a reward for being selected "the best operating unit within the Air Base Group." Since this was the first contest of this nature to be instigated at this installation, it was decided to implement it on a trial basis for the first six months. If, after that time, no outstanding problems, difficulties or inefficiencies presented themselves, the program was to be accepted. At the end of the time originally designated, only a few minor changes were found to be necessary. So, the program was put officially into operation. It continued thusly for nine additional months at which time the experience gained determined that a generally stronger system should be adopted. Following a month's study of methods to operate such a system, a Revised Squadron Management Control System was drafted and presented for discussion at a Squadron Commanders' meeting.

During this period of discussion and critique many changes, both small and large, were suggested. Two major changes were brought up for discussion. The first was to abolish the entire rating system at this level - including awarding the plaque -- and, secondly, to request that Headquarters Second Air Force adopt a similar Squadron Management Control

21/ Hist Rpt fr Management Analysis Ofc, Aug 1953 (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)

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System for all its subordinate units. The opinion was expressed that a more equitable degree of competition would result from such a system in that homogeneous units would be competing rather than unlike units being rivals at individual installations. For example, it was believed by some that a much more impartial contest would result if the 811th Air Police Squadron were committed against the 801st Air Police Squadron instead of being subjugated to competition with units conducting entirely different type activities.

After a complete and thorough discussion of these and other suggested changes, those accepted were incorporated into the study together with pertinent items of the SAC Management Control System, and forwarded to the Base Commander's office for approval or disapproval. It was the Base Commander's decision to continue the rating system such as it was previously conducted. The two major suggestions elaborated upon above were discounted as impracticable and infeasible.

The Revised Squadron Management Control System abolished both the "positive" and "negative" upon which the winner was selected under the previous system. To illustrate, such items as physical training, information and education, SAC production, morning report efficiency, parade efficiency, athletic teams, and monthly training received "positive" points. Number of personnel absent without official leave, courts-martial, drunkenness, traffic violations and other delinquencies received "negative" points.

The revised system incorporated a system of "percentage of maximum" score for each item to be rated. Thus, the weaknesses and inefficiencies with a unit are more apparent than was possible under the old system. Notwithstanding the acknowledgement that the original squadron rating system

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was immensely valuable, it is the consensus of Turner AFB officials that the new system will prove to be of tremendously greater worth in determining weaknesses and pointing the way toward improvement among all units assigned within the 811th Air Base Group.

Charts used for both the old and new squadron rating systems are included in the appendix. 22/

A matter of vital consequence to many personnel assigned to Turner AFB came to the attention of the Base Commander this month via the Base Legal Office. This subject concerned a report that some automobile insurance establishments were soliciting patronage among airmen and officers here without proper licensing in this state. 23/ This was acted upon quickly by the Base Commander and the Legal Office in order to preclude the occurance of financial misadventures by policy holders with these companies.

The story came to light with the receipt of a message from Headquarters Second Air Force which stated that the National Automobile Insurance Company of Jacksonville, Florida was not licensed to do business in any state. Further, that the Southern Standard County Mutual Insurance Company of Dallas, Texas was dissolved 1 July 1952. Using this TWX as a basis, the Legal Office initiated a search of records in the Registration and Investigation Section of the Air Police Squadron to determine who held policies with either of these companies.

22/ Charts for Rating Systems. (Exhibits 1 and 2.)

23/ Hist. Rpt fr Base Legal Ofc, Aug 1953. (On file, Hq TAFE, Ga.)

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During the investigation it was found that folders, requests for insurance, pamphlets, et cetera, on approximately 10 little known insurance companies had been deposited, presumably by solicitors, at the Registration and Investigation Section. The obvious purpose of this material was to indirectly solicit business for these companies.

Queries were initiated to the Insurance Commissioners of Alabama, Georgia, Texas and Florida asking that the Legal Office be notified of the standing of the companies. Information was received to the effect that some were licensed to do business in Alabama, Texas or Florida, but a majority of those companies concerned were not authorized to operate in Georgia.

Information received from the Commissioner of Insurance in the State of Texas disclosed that many of these were little known insurance companies and that they had combined assets and guarantee funds amounting to less than one million dollars. This amount is considered vastly inadequate for financially stable operations.

A subsequent examination of several policies which were brought in by local airmen for scrutiny disclosed that these policies contained no "Universal Service of Process" clause. This means that these companies could not be forced by law to represent the policy holder in case of suit for damages in any state other than the one

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in which the company is registered. It goes without saying that they may "choose" to take the policy holder's part in such circumstances, but they may not be "subpoenaed" or forced to represent them.

The investigation as a whole did not disclose any military personnel with policies that were invalid "of and by themselves," nor that the insurance companies had broken any laws in procuring or soliciting such insurance.

The Base Legal Office advised Squadron Commanders to inform their personnel of the outcome of the investigation and to point out that a company which includes a "Universal Service of Process" clause should be preferred over those companies that do not contain it. Additionally, it was suggested that all persons who have doubts concerning the validity of their insurance policies to bring them forward so they may obtain legal advice concerning them.

The investigation disclosed no policy holders with invalid policies had been procured through the mails. To date no case has come to light wherein any company has refused to pay claims submitted by policy holders of this base.

Information was tendered to the effect that agents periodically stopped by the Registration and Investigation Section to deposit more pamphlets and folders. Personnel of the R and I Section were instructed to inform individuals of this type to contact the Base Legal Office

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for permission to leave this kind of material. As of the end of this reporting period, no agents had appeard at the Legal Office. 24/

24/ Hist. Rpt fr Base Legal Ofc, Aug 1953 (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)

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II - PERSONNEL

One of the most important personnel actions to confront Turner AFB during the first part of FY 1954 was initiated with the receipt of a message from Hq SAC on 12 August concerning early release of airmen. 25/

The criteria for eligibility for early release set forth were as follows: Airmen must have completed three years of active military service, must be either overage in certain listed Air Force wide career fields or be an overage in particular career fields on Turner AFB. Additionally, airmen who had completed three years of active duty and had not advanced beyond the helper level in their respective Air Force Specialty Codes, were eligible for immediate release.

At the outset a number of problems arose concerning the release program, but many solved themselves as the program was delved into more deeply. 26/ Among the questions in this category was disposition to be made of those airmen currently in the prison stockade and those awaiting trial. After a search of records, it was determined that Turner had no personnel in this classification, so there was no answer needed.

There were two major questions, however, with which the Base Personnel Office was vitally interested. Innumerable airmen queried this department concerning the possibility of their accepting an early release, collecting mustering-out pay, travel allowances, pay for accrued leave, and, after using this money to straighten out debts or for other purposes, reenlist

25/ TWX Msg, DPPAC 18755, dtd 12 Aug 1953. (Exhibit 3)

26/ Interview w/Base Pers. Off, by T/Sgt. Aldridge.

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in grade for their own vacancy or reenlist at another Air Force installation.

The second question which was directly in conjunction with the first one had to do with whether or not an airman so released would be required to pay back the Government for that unearned portion of his reenlistment bonus which he had collected in advance at the time of his previous reenlistment.

No one at this base actually knew the answer to either of these questions. Personnel of the Base Finance Office stated that, according to their interpretation of Air Force Regulations and Manuals in effect at that time, any portion of unearned reenlistment bonus would not have to be remitted upon release from active duty. However, they added that since this question had such wide implications, and that such a large amount of money might be involved, it would be wise to query higher headquarters for a decision.

Therefore, Base S-1 telephoned Headquarters Second AF for a conclusion regarding both of these questions. The Personnel Directorate at Hq 2AF stated that they likewise did not know the answer to either of these questions, but that they would advise Turner and other Second Air Force bases as soon as they received the answer from higher headquarters.

With a deadline approximately 30 days in the future, there was much work to be done by the Base Personnel Office. Since this was the first project of this nature to take place in recent years, much effort was of necessity put forth on a trial and error basis. To begin the operation

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without delay, Captain John E. Schnell, Base Personnel Officer, called a meeting of all unit first sergeants, payroll clerks and orderly room clerks at which time he briefed them thoroughly on the entire early release program. At that meeting he conducted a question and answer period for the benefit of those attending. This procedure ironed out many problems and contemplated difficulties.

Shortly after this meeting, Capt. Schnell dispatched a letter to each organization on the base requesting that they screen their records and submit a list to Base S-1 of every airman in their organization who had completed three or more years active honorable service on or before 15 September 1953. This list was to include every airman regardless of grade or Air Force Specialty Code. At the beginning of the program it was contemplated that Base S-1 would screen the records for final determination of those airmen to be released and those to be retained.

However, it was decided a short time after this letter went out that each unit would conduct their own screening, so this letter was invalidated by a verbal order from Captain Schnell.

Approximately ten days after the query to Second AF concerning the program, an answer was received in the form of a TWX. Headquarters USAF rendered its decision that "those airmen accepting an early release under this program would be ineligible to reenlist for a period of 91 days after the effective date of their termination of their contract with the Air Force." This factor immediately changed the entire picture concerning the program. Many airmen who had at first stated that they

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desired early release changed their minds and reneged on their decision to leave the service temporarily. This factor had a vital effect on the program. It meant that many of the most desired class of airmen would not have to be replaced by someone with less experience and training, not to say overall value to the Air Force.

The decision on repayment of the bonus had a like effect on the number of persons desiring early release. It was decided that any unearned portion of previously paid reenlistment bonus would have to be returned to the United States Treasury. It is analogous that this action had a like effect on the number of airmen desiring retention instead of release.

With all the major problems worked out satisfactorily, squadron personnel officers screened their records and interviewed all eligible airmen concerning their desire for early release or retention. Coordination of details for physical examinations and final pay was handled expeditiously by Base Personnel. Each squadron made up all required forms including the cutting of personnel action memorandums giving a new release date to each airman concerned.

It was learned that the Base Hospital could feasibly give final physical examinations to airmen at the rate of 100 a day and the Base Finance Office had personnel and facilities sufficient to pay releases at the rate of 50 a day. Therefore, airmen were scheduled for release at times most appropriate to each section concerned. The schedule allows for approximately 354 airmen to be released by 15 September, the deadline

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under this authority. A breakdown of the number to be released by date, is included in the appendix. 27/

Due to departure by release from active duty and transfer, the Base 39-17 Board was depleted to such an extent that it was inoperative. 28/

In view of this fact, it was deemed necessary that a new Board be appointed. This action was completed during the month of August 1953 by the Base Legal Office after coordination by the Base Personnel Office. It was made official by paragraph 1, Special Order 176, Hq Second Air Force, dated 18 August 1953. 29/

The Turner AFB Officers' Roster has caused considerable controversy since its inception. 30/ The major problem resulted in errors committed at squadron level. To solve this problem, Base S-1 conducted a complete audit by checking the information contained on the roster against each officer's Form 66. Some of the errors were amazing. Samples of the mistakes found are misspelled names, improper dates of rank, incorrect primary, duty and additional AFSC's, and others.

The crux of the situation laid in the failure of individual squadron orderly room personnel to thoroughly check each officer's Form 66 at the time the stencil was out. This malfeasance was brought to the attention of all squadron commanders by the Base Personnel Directorate. Additionally, it was thoroughly discussed at staff meetings. The results of the audit was presented to the Base Commander for any action he deemed necessary.

27/ Breakdown of Airmen to be discharged. (Exhibit 4)

28/ Hist. Rpt fr Base Pers. Ofc., Aug 1953. (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)

29/ SO 176, Hq 2AF, 18 Aug 1953. (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)

30/ Interview with Base Pers. Off by T/Sgt. Aldridge.

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Based upon the action taken by Base S-1, it is believed that future Officers' Rosters will be as nearly correct as is humanly possible to make them, thereby allowing many valuable hours and much expense to be recommitted to profitable activity. 31/

A normal number of routine duties such as processing officers and airmen for schools, recruiting and reenlistment, and administration of tests were conducted by the Base Personnel Office. These are listed in the appendix. 32/

A survey was completed by the Manpower and Organization Section which reflected steps involved in separating airmen through the Base Personnel Processing and Separation Center. 33/ This survey was conducted to determine the advisability of seeking T/O&E authorization for this activity. Airmen presently performing duty within this unit are "overage" personnel from other sections.

A meeting was planned for mid-September to discuss this activity with the Division Personnel Officer and all allied units concerned. The results of this symposium will be used to establish manning for the Separation Center, or to recommend alternate action to Headquarters Second Air Force.

Headquarters SAC anticipated the reorganization of the Food Service Squadron T/O's during the first quarter of the fiscal year 1954. 34/ The new T/O's will be based on rations actually served rather than on authorized strength. A further limitation of a maximum authorization of

31/ Interview w/Base Pers. Offr. by T/Sgt. Aldridge.

32/ Extract fr Base Pers. Sect. Hist. Aug 1953. (Exhibit 5)

33/ Hist. Rpt fr Base Manpower Ofc, Aug 1953. (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)

34/ Ibid.

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cooks, bakers and meat cutters to "two and one-half percent of the total authorization" was imposed. In order to provide enough food service personnel to carry out Mobility Plan obligations the reorganization will be based on 85 percent of the strength allowed for all SAC units at each base. Headquarters Second AF was notified of the non-T/O requirements for the 811th Food Service Squadron. Accompanying this requirement was a complete justification. 35/

Some significant action transpired in the Civilian Personnel Department. Amended T/D-A's which reflected recommended grade space reductions together with an increase of seven ungraded positions, was received from Headquarters Second Air Force during the early part of August. Personnel actions reflecting employee status changes will not be effected until receipt of PAV from Headquarters SAC. Word was received from Second AF that the civilian hiring freeze is expected to be lifted in the not too distant future. 36/

The Civilian Personnel Office accomplished a total of 244 work units for the month of August 1953. This included interviewing 78 applicants for employment, reviewing the files on 16 employees considered for promotion to higher grades, processing 15 separations, counseling 26 employees, holding six formalized training sections and processing 51 personnel actions. Total authorized strength remained at 281 employees. Assigned strength at the end of the month was 273. The freeze on hiring of graded personnel did not permit the office to take any recruitment

35/ Hist. Rpt fr Food Serv. Sqdn, Aug 1953. (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)
36/ Hist. Rpt fr Civ. Pers. Ofc, Aug 1953. (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)

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action to fill graded vacancies.

During the month the Civilian Personnel Office completed six one-hour lectures for ROTC cadets on functions and responsibilities of the section. Arrangements were made to conduct a Primary Management Training Course for civilian supervisors. The course is scheduled to begin on 28 September 1953 and will consist of 20 two-hour lectures. Problems, difficulties and successes will be thoroughly covered in future historical reports. 37/

A serious shortage of stenographers exists in this area. Only a small percentage of candidates who took the exams received passing grades. At the present time the supply of available stenographers is not sufficient to fill existing needs. Efforts were made to secure the necessary number of available applicants. 38/

The need for carpenters, painters, and for an air conditioning and refrigeration mechanic and foreman continued throughout the month. A forward step was made to alleviate these shortages with the Civil Service Examiners announcing that tests for these positions were forthcoming in the near future.

Effective 15 July 1953 it became necessary for every individual going from a non-supervisory position to one in the supervisory field to undergo the supervisory test. This test was designed to aid responsible personnel in selecting the most thoroughly qualified persons for positions of leadership. 39/

37/ Hist. Rpt fr Civ. Pers. Sect, Aug 1953. (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)

38/ Ibid.

39/ Ibid.

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Reportable injuries for the month of August 1953 took a slight upturn over the previous month. The rate for July 1953 was 3.70 while the rate for this month was 4.34. This small increase was partially offset by disclosure of the fact that the total cost for injuries decreased from $37,868 to $2,598 during this period. 40/ Although the rate of 4.34 is higher than for the previous month, it is considered normal and satisfactory since it is less than 5.00.

During the month of August 1953 the Turner Chapter of the Air Force Aid Society made 64 loans totalling $2,487.55. During the same period 42 loans totalling $2,256.00 were repaid. 41/

Due to the early release program the Turner Chapter acknowledged that it might possibly forfeit up to $1,000.00 from loans previously made to departing airmen. For clarification of the proper procedure on this contingency, a call was placed to Headquarters Second Air Force relating to this possibility. This Chapter was advised to request the airmen to repay the loans in full before they were discharged. In the event the individuals were unable to do so, they should be reminded that they have a moral obligation to repay the loan when they become financially able to do so. 42/

During the telephone conversation, the manner to properly figure the average donation per airman and officer on the AF Aid Society Campaign

40/ Hist. Rpt fr Ground Safety Sect. Aug 1953. (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)
41/ Hist. Rpt fr Pers. Affairs Sect, Aug 1953. (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)
42/ Ibid.

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just completed, was requested. This Chapter was advised that the number of airmen and officers who had purchased life memberships in the Air Force Aid Society in the past would be subtracted from the assigned duty strength of this base in order to get a proportionate and just tabulation of the actual number who purchased membership cards. 43/

For details of the Membership Campaign, see page 39 of this report.

43/ Hist. Rpt fr Pers. Affairs Sect, Aug 1953. (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)

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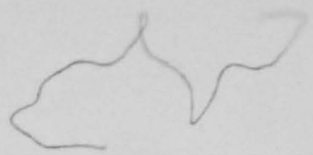

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III - OPERATIONS AND TRAINING

During the month of August 1953 the new base headquarters building was completed and occupied by all 811th Air Base Group sections. The 40th Air Division move was delayed until shortly after this reporting period.

The transfer of telephones was originally thought to be a big problem. However, this proved not to be the case. Cable pairs and brass connection boxes for telephone service were installed prior to occupancy of the building. In this way, the actual move of phones was made concurrently with the movement of sections. Loss of phone service was held to an absolute minimum with no section void of telephones for more than a few hours. 44/

The new communications building was 96.5 per cent complete at the end of the month. Installation was begun on the central office equipment which included five position switchboards and automatic switches plus associate equipment in the frame room. Estimated completion date was determined to be 5 December 1953. The actual date scheduled for the move into the new telephone central office may possibly be delayed until after the cut-over date with facilities in Albany, Georgia. Target date for the cut-over has been set for 20 December 1953.

New telephone directories were received and distributed throughout the base during the month of August 1953. Copies were also furnished to

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44/ Hist. Rpt fr Base Communication Center, Aug 1953. (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)

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the Marine Depot and other bases which have frequent communication with Turner. 46/

The Air Base Training Flight conducted many training activities during the month of August. The Range Section conducted firing practice for 2226 airmen and 45 officers during this period. The airmen fired the carbine and the officers fired the .45 automatic pistol. 47/ Atomic, Biological and Chemical Warfare training was given to 493 officers and airmen during the month. This was an increase of over 200 percent over the 194 trained during the previous month.

The aerial activities for Base Flight was somewhat fewer than in July 1953. There was a total of 517 hours flown during the month covered by this report as compared against 597 for the previous month. This was considered normal in view of the fact that this number may vary over 100 hours without causing undue alarm.

The percentages of AFR 60-2 requirements completed by pilots assigned or attached to Base Flight for flying showed an appreciable increase this month. 48/ Broken down these are as follows: proficiency; 57 percent, an increase of nearly 16 percent; night, 56 percent, an increase of 12.5 percent; hood and/or weather, 48 percent, an increase of approximately 12 percent. These percentages are based on the semi-annual maximum requirements of 65 hours proficiency, nine hours night and 10 hours hood and/or weather.

46/ Hist. Rpt fr Base Comm Center, Aug 1953. (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)

47/ Hist. Rpt fr A/B Trng Flt, Aug 1953. (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)

48/ Hist. Rpt fr Base Ops, Aug 1953. (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)

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The number of pilots present for duty during this reporting period was 31. 49/

During August the Turner AFB Tower processed 1,776 take-offs and landings, 324 practice VHF/DF steers, 561 UHF/DF practice steers, 10 UHF/DF routine assists, 25 VHF/DF assists, and 10 emergency UHF/DF. There were no emergency VHF/DF during this reporting period. 50/

The Base Operations Dispatch Section processed 391 incoming flights, 432 outgoing flights, 198 locals, 279 transient, and 50 round robin flights. These included instrument training flights, operational missions and minimum individual training flights. 51/

The Wire Maintenance Section reclaimed the last of the W-110 field wire on the base. This old wire was replaced by rubber covered cable. In addition, this section installed three buzzer systems in orderly rooms on the base, plus performing other routine duties. 52/

The Synthetic Trainer Department operated one type C-8, two type Z-1B and two type C-11B instrument trainers for a total of 422 hours during August 1953. Mr. John Boyer and Mr. G. O. Lewellen, Field Service Representatives of Curtiss-Wright Corporation, visited this department to assist in technical maintenance problems on the Z-1B trainers. They found these trainers to be in excellent operating condition. 53/

49/ Hist. Rpt fr Base Ops, Aug 1953. (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)

50/ Ibid.

51/ Ibid.

52/ Hist. Rpt fr Wire Maint. Sect. Aug 1953. (On file, Hq Turner AFB, Ga.)

53/ Hist. Rpt fr Synthetic Trainer Dept, Aug 1953. (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)

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A message was received by wire from Headquarters Second Air Force stating that the Z-1B instrument trainer had been replaced by the C-11B trainer. Since the Z-1B was declared obsolete, it is not being utilized. Instructions on what disposition to make of it are expected shortly from higher headquarters.

On 24 August, Headquarters 2AF notified this base by TWX that a new overage manning authorization had been established for the maintenance of T-33 aircraft assigned to this installation. 54/

A query was made to the originating office to clarify certain hard-to-understand points of the message. The answer cleared up the questions. But, it also revealed that Headquarters SAC apparently did not agree with the overage manning set up by Second Air Force. This command was advised not to proceed on this project with plans involving 40th Air Division Personnel and Materiel Offices until a final decision is received from Hq SAC.

Early this month, Colonel Easton requested that a study be made of the requirements for pay telephone stations for the new administration building. 55/ The study is not yet complete since there are several long ranged problems which must be considered. Foremost among them perhaps is the fact that the revenue gained from ventures of this kind is returned directly to the Government. During a time of increased observance of austerity this factor may not be considered lightly. 56/

54/ Hist. Rpt fr Manpower & Orgn Sect, Aug 1953. (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)

55/ Staff Meeting, 7 Aug 1953.

56/ Interview w/Ops and Trng Offr by T/Sgt. Aldridge.

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Among the conclusions arrived at so far is that there is a justifiable need for at least one such phone in the lobby of the first floor. Indications are that this would afford ready phone service to both occupants of the building and to visiting people. In addition to providing expeditious access to outside lines during inclement weather, it was determined that valuable time and expense would be saved as a result of fewer interruptions of communication lines in various operating agencies in the building by persons desiring connections with Albany and other outside locations.

It was previously determined that this question needed complete investigation in view of the fact that there are numerous pay-stations located a short one-half block from the administration building. The question also arose as to whether or not it might be advisable to remove one or more of those stations in the event it was decided to place a pay-station in the new building.

These and other considerations are being studied continuously. The final results of a project of this type cannot be determined on the spur of the moment. Hence, a watch is being kept on the situation in order that a complete and accurate justification may be submitted to the Base Commander. The final outcome of this project will be included in the historical report for the month during which it is completed.

The UHF/DF facility is presently operating on a training status pending arrival of additional maintenance personnel as well as operators.57/

57/ Hist. Rpt fr Base Comm. Sect, Aug 1953. (On file, Hq Turner AFB, Ga.)

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During IFR flight conditions GCA runs are being monitored by this facility to familiarize assigned personnel with operation of the unit. On the evening of 24 August 1953 a Navy aircraft was successfully guided to a landing. The pilot credited this facility with saving his aircraft. 58/

Progress of installation of the new Base Telephone Exchange was begun on 17 August with the arrival of a Western Electric team of installers. Satisfactory progress had been made on the venture at this time and it is believed that the unit will be fully ready to begin operations in December of this year. 59/

The 22nd of August saw the conclusion of the final AFROTC Summer Encampment at Turner AFB. 60/ There were two encampments conducted at this installation during June to August 1953. Each encampment lasted approximately one month.

In making up the curricula for each of these projects, the Air University SOP and supplement were followed closely. Each student received a minimum of 132 hours instruction. Only 17 per cent of the total instruction time consisted of classroom work. The remaining 83 percent was utilized in on-the-job training and demonstration type instruction.

An outstanding part of the schedule included a trip to Spence Field, Moultrie, Georgia for an excursion in flying training. This contributed immensely toward increasing general interest in flying. Each cadet received a minimum of six hours in the air, with the majority of them staying aloft up to eight hours. For this part of the program, C-47, B-29, C-45 and T-33

58/ Hist. Rpt fr Base Comm. Sect. Aug 1953. (On file, Hq Turner AFB, Ga.)

59/ Ibid.

60/ Hist. Rpt, AFROTC Hq. (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)

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aircraft were used.

The supply system in effect this year permitted all cadets to bring their own uniforms and personal clothing. This proved to be considerably superior to systems in operation in previous years. The few shortages which were discovered were easily reconciled.

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IV - MATERIEL

The two major changes in the Directorate of Materiel which were contemplated in the latter part of July 1953, were culminized with the appointment of Lieutenant Colonel Leaford Bearskin as Base Materiel Officer and Major Carl H. Neiswender as Squadron Commander of the 811th Motor Vehicle Squadron. 61/

Major Neiswender continued his duties as Staff Transportation Officer as an additional assignment. To date, the vacancy of Staff Transportation Officer has not been filled. 62/

A shortage of two supply men, AFSC 64151, in this Directorate has resulted in the general slowing down of the inspection schedules. In addition, staff assistance to subordinate units has not been maintained at the desired level due to these vacancies. Plans are in the making to remedy this situation, and it is believed that it will be alleviated in the near future. 63/

In keeping with general economy measures through the Air Force, this installation has initiated a program of conservation among all officers and enlisted personnel. 64/ With the restrictions placed on the Air Force by Congress, it is imperative that every possible avenue of economy be sounded out and utilized wherever possible. To initiate the program, Colonel Easton appointed Lieutenant Colonel Leaford Bearskin Base Conservation Officer as an additional duty. Colonel Bearskin in

61/ GO 20, Hq 811th AB Gp, dtd 7 August 1953. (Exhibit 6)
62/ Hist. Rpt fr Base Mat Ofc, Aug 1953. (On file, Hq Turner AFB, Ga.)
63/ Ibid.
64/ For further discussion, see pages 5, 6 and 7 of this report.

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turn appointed a Conservation Officer at squadron level. These officers have been instructed to stress the absolute necessity of conservation to every member of their respective organizations and to insure that every airman under their commands has a complete understanding of the ramifications in case of failure of this program.

The importance of this problem was readily acknowledged and understood at staff level. It continues to be given positive attention and it is believed that concrete results will be noticed almost immediately. 65/

The Base Materiel Office formulated new purchasing and workorder controls in conjunction with the base wide economy move. 66/ This was necessary in order to stay within the limits of the fiscal year 1954 budget allowance. This means that all luxury type items of supply and maintenance are to be quickly disapproved. Only those projects which are required to keep the base in a financially sound operational state will be performed. The main difficulty so far encountered is the difficulty in educating people to the fact that funds are distinctly limited. 67/ This problem has been tackled vigorously and will be continued throughout 1954.

The AOCP rate for the month of August 1953 was 9.5 percent. This is a decrease of .3 per cent from the July rate. Although the rate is

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65/ Hist. Rpt fr Base Mat Sect, Aug 1953. (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)

66/ Ibid.

67/ Ibid.

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not as low as is hoped for, it is not considered abnormal for the number of aircraft assigned. 68/

The ANFE rate for August 1953 was 43.7 per cent, an increase of 10 percent over the July rate. This increase is explained by the special mission performed by both the 31st and the 508th Strategic Fighter Wings. 69/

The VOCP rate for August showed an increase of .4 per cent over the previous month. This was caused primarily by engineer type vehicles of which only a small number of each type are assigned at this installation. It was also partially attributed to the fact that stocking parts other than fast moving items cannot be justified due to economy measures. A vigorous campaign is still in effect to insure that parts are ordered on anticipated VOCP whenever possible. It is felt that this action will bring the VOCP rate down to the hoped-for level.

New construction projects were progressing satisfactorily at this base during August 1953.70/ There were four projects completed during this period. The new administration building, project 1512, was completed and occupied. 71/ The other three completed projects in addition to the standing of all projects are listed in the appendix. 72/

The Air Installations Office completed a study on the cooling system of the AACS building. 73/ As a result of this study, AIO installed louvers for exhaust fans.

68/ Hist Rpt fr Base Mat Ofc, Aug 1953 (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)

69/ Ibid

70/ Ibid.

71/ For further discussion, see page 27 of this report.

72/ List of AIO and Savannah Distr Engr. Projects. (Exhibit 7)

73/ Hist. Rpt fr AIO, Aug 1953. (On file, Hq Turner AFB, Ga.)

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V - MORALE

The Japanese Judo Team held an exhibition 1 August at the Turner baseball field. 74/ This team was exceedingly well received by an audience of approximately 800 spectators. This particular exhibition was open to the citizens of Albany and surrounding vicinity as well as to Turner AFB personnel.

On 2 August 1953 the group staged a clinic for the 811th Air Police and Physical Conditioning people. This activity took place in the base gymnasium and lasted about two hours. The final clinic was staged the following day for the benefit of the members of these organizations who were unable to attend previously. This affair was also attended by a number of crews and pilots from each of the wings. The visit by this renowned team of experts proved highly beneficial to all Turner personnel and was enlightening and entertaining to the spectators.75/

The attendance at the local Service Club continued to show an increase. Attendance for August was almost 10,000. 76/ Attendance at the club has shown a steady increase since May 1953, and it is anticipated that this will continue after the club is moved to a larger building.

Presently, Service Club activities are somewhat limited due to inadequate space. Pinochle continued to be the most popular card game and tournaments are held regularly each Monday night. Two very successful variety shows were held during the month of August. One featured the

74/ See page 29, 40AD and 811th ABG Hist. for July 1953.
75/ Hist. Rpt fr Pers. Serv Sect, Aug 1953. (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)
76/ Ibid.

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visiting AFROTC cadets and the other was staged by a Mr. Stedman and his troupe. Both shows were enthusiastically received by visitors to the club.

The 1953 Southeastern Conference Softball Championship Tournament was conducted at this installation 26 through 29 August. Each District entered three teams, each consisting of 14 players plus a coach and manager. Teams were entered from the following Air Force bases: Keesler, Gunter, Maxwell, Sewart, Dobbins, Patrick, Tyndall, and MacDill. Keesler AFB was the official winner of the tournament. 77/

The base intra-mural softball tournament was held during the period 11 - 14 August. For the second straight year the Headquarters Squadron Section team came out the winner, after having won their league title. This portion of the sports program has proved to be a fine morale builder. It will be continued vigorously in other sports activities.

Touch football league plans were drawn up during the month of August. 78/ A copy of the rules was forwarded to all squadrons on the base. All the necessary ground work was accomplished including the selection of league officials. Fourteen teams will take part in the program. These have been divided into two leagues, the American and the National. A play-off for the base championship will be staged between the champion of each league at the end of the season.

Some final details concerning the program were worked out at a meeting between officials and managers. A tentative schedule was decided

77/ Hist. Rpt fr Pers. Serv. Sect, Aug 1953. (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)

78/ Hist. Rpt fr Pers. Serv. Sect, Aug 1953. and interview w/Pers. Serv. Officer by T/Sgt. Aldridge.

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upon and was distributed to each manager. 79/

The Base Education Office had an increased amount of USAFI applications during the month of August. Most of these applications were for high school level courses. 80/ This is an indication that those persons assigned to this base are participating in the base education program to an increased extent.

The high school level GED testing procedure also showed an increase in August. 81/ The Education Office administered a total of 113 parts of the high school level test in addition to six parts of college level tests.

The off-duty group study classes in French and English were terminated during this reporting period. 82/ The French class ended with an appreciable degree of success when 14 of the 33 persons enrolled satisfactorily completed the course. There were several important reasons for the number of resignations from this course. Primary among them was a normal number of personnel transferred via TDY or PCS. Also many of the original students had previously completed beginners French, and finding that they did not actually need the repetition, decided to resign to later join a more advanced course.

Installation of the air conditioning in the Base Library was begun in July and completed this month. This addition proved to be a boom to

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79/ Hist. Rpt fr Pers Serv. Sect, Aug 1953 (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)

80/ Ibid.

81/ Ibid.

82/ Ibid.

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library attendance. An increased number of personnel decided to spend more spare time reading in the library since they are more comfortable physically. 83/

With the acquisition of increased office space resulting from the Information Services Office's move to the new headquarters building, an Information Center was set up for use by the Information Hour leaders. 84/

The Information Services Office prepared special biographies and photographs of Turner AFB personnel who participated in the National Air Show at Dayton, Ohio. This material was used for publicity purposes by the Air Show's public relations personnel. 85/

83/ Hist Rpt fr Base Library, Aug 1953. (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)

84/ Hist. Rpt fr Base ISO, Aug 1953. (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)

85/ Ibid.

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VI - SPECIAL PROJECTS

August 1953 saw the conclusion of the 1953 Air Force Aid Membership Campaign. 86/ Although the total number of life memberships purchased did not reach last year's astronomical figure, the 106 pledged was considered reasonable. Cash subscriptions from all units assigned at this installation totalled $2,652.50. The 811th Air Base Group donated an average of $2,82 per man. This average includes those who pledged for life membership.

The 31st Strategic Fighter Wing contributed $1.89 per man. The 508th Wing had the least average per capita. $.826. At the command of the base commander, the drive was extended through 31 August 1953. It was anticipated that this extension would net in the vicinity of $500 from approximately 20 additional life membership pledges and general donations.

The local Chapter suggested that a concerted effort be made in the 1954 campaign to bolster the General H (Hap) Arnold Educational Fund. It was noted by unit project officers that many personnel gave more willingly and enthusiastically to that fund than to the general fund. 87/

Entertainment Night, an AF Aid Society fund raising activity, was held on 14 August 1953. This festivity was a climax to the annual campaign. The overall purpose of the entertainment night was to raise additional funds to supplement that received through normal solicitation.

86/ Hist. Rpt fr Pers. Affairs Sect, Aug 1953. (On file, Hq TAFE, Ga.)

87/ Ibid.

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The idea for this activity was formulated by Second Lieutenant William C. Leskovar, Custodian of the Society. The program consisted of a Tug-O-War between local commanders and first sergeants, a softball game pitting the Turner AFB Officer slow-pitch champs against a team from the local Marine Depot, and a boxing and wrestling feature.

The first sergeants upset the dope-bucket by pulling the commanders into the mud. This feature turned out to be the most hilarious of the evening. The first two officers to "eat the mud" apparently decided that all the others should likewise "taste the bitter pill of defeat." So, they turned the tables and helped the first sergeants pull the others in.

The Marines proved too strong for the slow-pitch officers and edged out the hosts by a score of 10 to 9 in a seven inning affair that proved to be quite an attraction.

A concession was set up to sell beer, soft drinks and hot-dogs. A small profit was forthcoming from this activity.

Ten days prior to Entertainment Night, 250 posters were displayed throughout the base, the Marine Depot and in the city of Albany, Georgia. The base newspaper, "FIGHTERS IN-FORMATION," printed several articles about the event in advance. Beginning three days before the event, two local radio stations made announcements six times a day. These spot announcements beseeched the local citizenry to join the festivities. One was placed at the Turner Main Gate and the other was conspicuously posted in the business district in Albany.

Tickets for the main event were placed on sale 14 August 1953, one week in advance. These were strategically located at the Base Exchange,

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the Marine Depot and in many restaurants in town. The sale of advance tickets did not come up to expectations. The majority purchased their tickets at the ballpark here on the base. Although the program did not receive the patronage hoped for or expected, it was considered a success because there was a net profit of $210.04 made on it plus the fact that it proved to be extremely valuable by boosting morale on the base.

Several difficulties and problems which should be of value to planners of similar activities were noted both before and during this experience. An unforseen problem occurred when one of the scheduled boxers was suddenly transferred overseas. The project officer found it rather difficult to obtain a boxer of equivalent talent to substitute for the vacancy. A second major difficulty encountered was the lack of control over patrons entering the area of activities. Since there was no fence to keep the non-paying guests out, there was a free going and coming of these persons. This was partially responsible for the small number of tickets sold.

Notwithstanding the fact that the Entertainment Night was considered successful to a degree, it was conceded that it would perhaps be more economically advantageous to conduct a carnival type show to raise funds in the future. 88/

During August the Information Services Office made preliminary plans for the publicity campaign for the forthcoming Sowega International

88/ Hist. Rpt fr Pers. Affairs Sect, Aug 1953. (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)

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Sports Car Races to be held at Turner AFB on 25 October 1953. 89/

A general "calendar" was drawn up, scheduling press conferences with newsmen in the local and near-by cities and towns. Also this office drew up a mailing list comprising all daily newspapers in Georgia, East Alabama, and North Florida. This also included all weeklies in South Georgia, parts of Alabama and Florida, and all television stations within 200 miles of the base.

A special publicity campaign was conducted for national coverage of "Operation Longstride", the history-making flights by planes of the 31st and 508th Strategic Fighter Wings. 90/ On the base covering the departure of the 28 planes were representatives of the United Press, Paramount News Reels, Columbia Broadcasting Company Television, and the local paper. Contacts were also made with the Associated Press and International News Service by telephone. These contacts were at no expense to the government. 91/

The Information Services Office also acted as liaison between Turner AFB and the Ashburn, (Georgia) Post of the American Legion, sponsors of the homecoming celebration of Master Sergeant Jack Gaulden (Air Force). Sgt. Gaulden returned home after almost two years as a prisoner of war in Korea. Turner AFB furnished a color guard for the Ashburn parade in Sgt. Gaulden's honor. Lieutenant Colonel Fred S. Houck made a short talk as Turner's representative at the ceremonies.

89/ Hist. Rpt fr Base ISO, Aug 1953. (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)

90/ Ibid.

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As of 31 August 1953

Headquarters 40th Air Division

Colonel Thayer S. Olds	Division Commander
Colonel Joe R. Williams	Director of Personnel (Prim dy) Executive Officer (Add dy)
Colonel Robert P. Montgomery	Director of Operations
Major Albert D. Simmons	Operations Staff Officer
Major Harry P. Wagner	Operations Staff Officer
Colonel Albert V. Kanig	Director of Materiel
Major Vernie G. Black	Project Officer - SOWEGA Sports Car Races
1st Lt. Ben F. Sands	Aide to the Commander

811th Air Base Group

Colonel John J. Easton	Base Commander
Lt. Col. George K. Sykes	Deputy Base Commander
Major Edmond L. Fortin	Base Adjutant
Captain John E. Schnell	Base Personnel Officer
Lt. Col. Chester M. Conrad	Base Operations and Training Officer
Lt. Col. Fred L. Houck	Base Manpower Officer
Lt. Col. Leaford Bearskin	Base Materiel Officer
Major John J. Smith	Base Comptroller
Major John S. Dennis	Staff Judge Advocate

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Roster of Key Personnel - 811th Air Base Group (Cont'd)

Major (Chaplain) Luther W. McArthur	Base Chaplain
2nd Lt. Charles S. Wright	Base Information Services
Lt. Col. Chester M. Conrad	Comdr, 811th Operations Sq
Major Bruce B. Wilson	Comdr, 811th Supply Sq
Major Carl H. Neiswender	Comdr, 811th Motor Vehicle Sq
2nd Lt. Lee R. McNair	Comdr, 811th Food Service Sq
Major Robert I. DeWitt	Comdr, 811th Installations Sq
Captain J. W. Henderson	Comdr, 811th Air Police Sq
Captain Thomas M. Cannon	Comdr, Headquarters Squadron Section, 811th Air Base Group

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APPENDIX

SQUADRON RATINGS WORK SHEET Month of _____

Organization _____

WEEKLY ITEMS - POSITIVE POINTS

	1st Week	2nd Week	3rd Week	4th Week
PT				
I & E				
SAC Production Rate				
Parade Efficiency				
Morning Report Efficiency				
Athletic Teams				
Weekly Total				

WEEKLY ITEMS - NEGATIVE POINTS

	1st Week	2nd Week	3rd Week	4th Week
Courts Martial:				
Summary				
Special				
General				
AWOLS				
VD				
Drunken [illegible]				
Traffic Violations (On and Off Base)				
Traffic Accidents (On and Off Base)				
Weekly Total				
WEEKLY NEG TOTAL				

MONTHLY ITEMS - POSITIVE POINTS

	Points
Training:	
ABC	
Rifle	
Security	
First Aid	
Management	
Reenlistment Rate	
Ground Safety	
Squadron Area	
Monthly Items Total Positive Points	

TOTAL POSITIVE POINTS _____

TOTAL NEGATIVE POINTS _____

SCORE FOR MONTH _____

RATING FOR MONTH _____ PLACE

Exhibit 1

MANAGEMENT ANALYSIS SERVICE
811th Air Base Group
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Ga.

SUBJECT: Squadron Ratings - Week of _____

TO: All Squadrons, 811th Air Base Group

1. All figures are cumulative:

POSITIVE POINTS - WEEKLY ITEMS	Hq&Hq Sq	Instl Sq	Food Sv Sq	MtrVeh Sq	Supply Sq	AirPol Sq	Opns Sq
E							
SAC Production							
Parade Efficiency							
M/R Efficiency							
Athletic Teams							
TOTAL							
POSITIVE POINTS - MONTHLY ITEMS (Scored on Last Week of Month)							
Training:							
ABC							
Rifle							
Security							
First Aid							
Management							
Enlistment Rate							
Ground Safety							
Squadron Area							
TOTAL							
NEGATIVE POINTS - WEEKLY ITEMS							
Courts Martial:							
Summary							
Special							
General							
AWOLS							
Drunkenness							
Traffic Violations (On-Off Base)							
Traffic Accidents (On-Off Base)							
TOTAL							
TOTAL POSITIVE POINTS							
TOTAL NEGATIVE POINTS							
CUMULATIVE NET SCORE							

HONOR SQUADRON OF THE MONTH _____

Exhibit 2

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FM CGSAC OFFUTT AFB NEBR
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JESDL/COMDRSTRATEVALSQ THREE NINE ZERO EIGHT
JESBA/COMDRAIR DIV FOUR BARKSDALE AFB LA
JESDL/COMDRAIR DIV SIX MACDILL AFB FLA
JESHN/COMDRAIR DIV THREE EIGHT HUNTER AFB GA
JESTU/COMDRAIR DIV FOUR ZERO TURNER AFB GA
JEDBO/COMDRAIR DIV EIGHT ZERO ONE LOCKBOURNE AFB OHIO
JESKH/COMDRAIR DIV EIGHT ZERO SIX LAKE CHARLES AFB LA
JEDMP/KOMDRABSQ FOUR ZERO ZERO TWO CAMPBELL AFB KY
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Exhibit 3

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THIS HQS CMA W/I AN AIR DIV CMA WG CMA BASE AND/OR SQ CMA WHICHEVER IS APPLICABLE. THE CREW RQMT CMA HOWEVER CMA W/B THE ACTUAL NO OF CREWS ASGND OR AUTH CMA WHICHEVER IS GREATER. AMN CLASSIFIED AT THE HLPR SK LEVEL WHO OTHERWISE MEET THE EARLY CRITERIA W/B RELS REGARDLESS OF STA RQMTS. PRIORITY FOR RELS W/B GIVEN TO AMN W/EARLIEST ETS DATE. ALL SEP UP THIS MSG W/B ACCOMPLISHED ON OR BEFORE 15 SEP 53. PART II. AMN POSSESSING A PRIM OR ADD AFSC LISTED HEREIN ARE NOT RPT NOT ELIG FOR SEP UNDER THIS MSG.

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20431/51/71	PI SPECL/TEC
20530/70.	TEC INTEL SPECL TEC
22131/51	PHGRT
25132/52/72	ABN WEA EQUIP OPR/TEC
25230/50.	WEA OBSR
25270.	MET TEC
25231/71	CLTGR CMA CLTGL TEC
27270	ATC TEC
27271/72	CON TWR TEC/ACFT LDG CON TEC
27330/50/70	AC&W OPR SUPV

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29230/50/70	CRYPTO OPR/SUPV
29331/51.	GRD RAD OPR
29332/52	RAD INTCP OPR
29373.	ABN RAD & ECM OPR TEC
30131/51	ABN ELECT NAV EQUIP RPMN
30170/71	ABN ELECT COM & NAV EQUIP MAINT SUPV/TEC
30230/50/70	ECM REPMN/MAINT TEC
30250/70X	ECM RECON OPR
30430/50	GRD RAD REPMN
30470/71	GRD RAD MAINT SUPV/TEC
32130/50B	BB-NAV SYS MECH/K SERIES STAB & OPTICS
32130/50C	BB-NAV SYS MECH/K SERIES RADAR & INTERCOM
32130/50D	BB-NAV SYS MECH/K SERIES COMPUTER
32130/50E	BB-NAV SYS MECH/K SERIES SYS
32130/50/71G	BB-NAV SYS MECH/TEC/Q-23 SYS
32170.	BB-NAV SYS SUPV
32171E	BB-NAV SYS TEC/K SERIES SYS
32330/50C	TRT SYS MECH/GUN LAYING SYS PAREN B45 PAREN PAREN B47 PAREN
32331/51/72C	TRT SYS MECH/TEC GNR PAREN B45 PAREN PAREN

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32371C TRT SYS TECH/GUN LAYING SYS PAREN B45 PAREN PAREN B47 PAREN
34131/51 NAV TNR MECH REPMN
34230/50 BB TNR MECH/REPMN
34330/50 RAD & RADAR. TNR MECH/REPMN
34370/71 RAD & RADAR TNR MAINT SUPV/TEC
40230/50/70 TAB EQUIP REPMN/REP TEC
40330/50/70 CAMERA REPMN/TEC
VX40432/52 MECH INST REPMN
40433/53 ELEC INST REPMN
42230/50/70/71 ACFT FUEL MTRG COMP REPMN/REP SUPV TEC
42530/50/70/71 ACFT HYD MECH/SUPV/TEC
42630.50/70/71 ACFT ELEC ACCY REPMN/SUPV/TEC
ENTIRE 43 CAREER FIELD W/EXCEPTION OF 43131H.
46150/70 MUNITIONS SPEC/TEC
46171. MUNITIONS DISPOSAL TEC
47134/54 VEH & MOTORIZED EQUIP ENG MECH
56230/50/70 GAS GENERATING PLANT OPR/TEC

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64132/52/74/75 SUP RCDS SPEC/SUPV/STOCK CONT TEC
64330/50. PETRL SUP SPECL
70231/51/71 STENO/STENO TEC
90430/50/70 MED LAB SPECL/TEC
99130/50/70 TNR OPR/TEC
99530/50/70 RDGL SPECL/SUPV
PART III. AMN POSSESSING THE PRIM AFSC LISTED BELOW WHO MEET THE CRITERIA INDICATED IN PAR B AND C ABOVE CMA PART I. CMA W/B RELEASED REGARDLESS OF WHETHER OR NOT THEY ARE SURPLUS TO STATION OF ASGMT.
32331F/51F TURRET SYS MEC GUNR CMA B29 CMA B50
47131/51 AUTOMOTIVE MECH
47133/53 AUTOMOTIVE BODY REPMN
47170/71 VEHICLE MAINT SUPV/TEC
53130/50/70/71 MACHINIST
53230/50/70. METAL PROCESSING/TEC
55130/50/70 ROADS AND GROUNDS SPECL/SUPV
55131/51. CONSTR EQUIP OPR
55132/52 MASONRY & CONCRETE SPECL
55230/50 WOODWORKER
12/1705Z AUG JEDMH

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BASE PERSONNEL SECTION
Turner AFB, Albany, Georgia

BP 314.7 1 September 1953

SUBJECT: Historical Report - Base Pers. for the Month of August 1953

TO: Base Historian
Turner AFB
Albany, Georgia

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The Squadrons made up all required forms for discharges and sent their completed work to Finance. Finance made necessary preparations to discharge 50 men per day. The following schedule was set up:

4 September	-	50 discharges
5 September	-	25 discharges
8 September	-	50 discharges
9 September	-	50 discharges
10 September	-	50 discharges
11 September	-	50 discharges
12 September	-	25 Discharges
14 September	-	50 Discharges
15 September	-	All Remaining

Approximately three hundred fifty-four (354) airmen were discharged.

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A CERTIFIED TRUE EXTRACT COPY:

/s/ John E. Schnell
/t/ JOHN E. SCHNELL
Capt., USAF
Base Pers. Officer

JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt. USAF

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Statistics obtained from the Base Processing Section reflect the following personnel changes during the month of August 1953:

Incoming Personnel:	
Officers	21
Airmen (Basic & Reservists)	8
Airmen (Other)	273
Outgoing Personnel:	
Officers (PCS)	18
Officers (TDY)	7
Airmen (PCS)	98
Airmen (TDY)	36
Officers (Released)	28
Airmen (Released)	30

The following number of personnel met the Classification Board during the month of August 1953:

Officers	22
Airmen (Basics & Retreads)	7
Airmen (Other)	56

Thirty-three (33) airmen were issued the Job Knowledge Test during the month.

The following list is a breakdown of officers, in a training status for the month of August 1953:

Officers attending schools as of 1 August 1953..... 13
Officers departed for schools in August 1953..... 4
Officers returned from schools in August 1953..... 2
Officers attending schools as of 31 August 1953..... 15

1 - USAF Officers' Basic Course 0100, Lackland, AFB.
2 - Stat Services Officer's Course #6834, Lowry AFB, Colo.
1 - Aircraft Maintenance Course #4311, Chanute AFB, Ill.

Exhibit 5

Base Pers. Sect. TAFB, Ga. Subj: Historical Report, for the month of August 1953.

Status of training with regard to schools for airmen this station during the month of August was as follows:

Airman attending schools as of 1 August 1953.....	282
Airmen departed for schools in August 1953.....	19
Airmen returned from schools in August 1953.....	3
Airmen attending schools as of 31 August 1953.....	298

1 - Instrument Trainer Course, Chanute AFB, Illinois
2 - Aircraft Maintenance Techn. Sheppard AFB, Texas
1 - Construction Foreman, Ft. Belvoir, Virginia
3 - Aircraft Mechanic, Jet Fighter, Amarillo AFB, Texas
5 - Spec Vehicle Mech. F. E. Warren AFB, Wyoming
1 - Production Control, Chanute AFB, Illinois
2 - Air Police (Basic), Parks AFB, California

Following is a breakdown of the strength figures for the 811th Air Base Group for the month of August 1953:

		Authorized	Assigned
As of 1 Aug 53			
	Officers	115	93
	Airmen	1692	2260
As of 31 Aug 53			
	Officers	115	99
	Airmen	1692	2328

/s/ John E. Schnell
/t/ JOHN E. SCHNELL
Captain, USAF
Base Pers. Officer

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JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

HEADQUARTERS 811TH AIR BASE GROUP
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

GENERAL ORDERS)
NUMBER 20)

7 ~~July~~ Aug 1953

1. Announcement is made of the appointment of MAJOR LEAFORD BEARSKIN A0522703 Headquarters 811th Air Base Group Base Materiel Officer (AFSC 6411) vice LIEUTENANT COLONEL CHESTER M CAMPBELL JR 7632A.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMANDER:

OFFICIAL:

EDMOND L FORTIN
Major, USAF
Adjutant

JOSEPH E ZURO
1st Lt, USAF
Asst Adj.

DISTRIBUTION:
2 Officer concerned
2 Sq Comdr concerned
6 CG Second AF
4 Comdr 40th ADiv
20 Comdr 508th Strat Ftr Wg
20 Comdr 31st Strat Ftr Wg
30 Comdr 811th AB Gp
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AIR INSTALLATIONS OFFICE
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

1 September 1953

SUBJECT: Historical Report

TO: Base Materiel
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

1. In accordance with 40th Air Division Regulation 210-1, dated 21 March 1952, report for the month of August is as follows:

a. Projects being administered by the Savannah District Engineers:

Project Description	% Complete
Administration Building (Contract No. 1512)	100%
General Purpose Warehouse (Contract No. 1515)	93.5%
Communications Building (Contract No. 1707)	90%
Railraod Spur to Ammo Area (Contract No. 1720)	87%

b. Projects administered by the Air Installation Office:

Instl Fire Ladders and Landings (26-53)	100%
Flyaway Kit Warehouse (19-53)	95%
Air Conditioning of Three Hospital Building (75-52)	50%
Construction of Reclamation Building (23-53)	85%
Construction of Reclamation Yard (23-53)	15
Construction of 8-Bay Segregated Storage Magazine (32-53)	32
Construction Special Weapons Training Area (33-53)	100

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Project	% Complete
Installation of Latrines in Buildings T-1104, 4011, and 5006 (45-53)	100
Installation Dust Collection System in Building 7504 (49-53)	35%

/s/ Robert I. DeWitt
/t/ ROBERT I. DEWITT
Major, USAF
Air Instl Officer

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JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

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TURNER AIR FORCE BASE, ALBANY, GEORGIA

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TURNER AIR FORCE BASE, ALBANY, GEORGIA

(SECOND AIR FORCE)

(STRATEGIC AIR COMMAND)

for

SEPTEMBER 1953

History prepared by: T/Sgt Frank F. Aldridge

JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF
Historical Officer

JOHN J. EASTON
Colonel, USAF
Base Commander

THAYER S. OLDS
Brigadier General, USAF
40th Air Division
Commander

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2 September 1953 - 31st Strategic Fighter Wing completed Operation "Longstride."

12 September 1953 - 508th Strategic Fighter Wing completed Operation "Longstride."

21 September 1953 - Contract between the First State Bank and the Base Commander was made effective.

23 September 1953 - Major William F. Kahley assigned as Base Operations and Training Officer.

25 September 1953 - Turner joined with Dougherty County Kiwanis Club to celebrate National Kids Day.

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I - ORGANIZATION AND ADMINISTRATION

September 1953 marked the successful completion of the first mass in-flight refueling trip of jet fighter aircraft across the Atlantic Ocean when Thunderjets of the 31st Strategic Fighter Wing returned to Turner AFB on the 2nd of the month. 1/

Planes of the 508th Strategic Fighter Wing landed here on the 12th of September after taking part in extensive training activities while in England.

Although the history making flight took place in the latter part of August 1953, the operation - designated "Operation Longstride" - was not completed until the last of the planes returned to their home base.

Planes of the 31st Strategic Fighter Wing and the 508th SFW departed Turner AFB on the morning of August 28th and flew 4,500 miles to Nouasseur, French Morocco and Lakenheath, England.

This was the longest overwater jet flight in aviation history, and conclusively proved the feasibility of using a central Atlantic route for the rapid deployment of Strategic Air Command fighter aircraft. Likewise, the northern air route to England proved equally practical for the quick movement of jet fighter wings to strategic locations in the European Theatre of Operations.

1/ Hist. Rpt fr 40th Air Div, Sept 1953 (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)

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After a short familiarization training period in North Africa, the 31st SFW jets crossed to England to train with planes of the 508th SFW before completing the return trip to Turner AFB. When planes of the 31st Wing touched down at Turner AFB, they had flown their single engine fighter-bombers a distance of almost half the way around the world, exclusive of the distances of the training flights at overseas bases.

The mission successfully accomplished all objectives and demonstrated the ability of SAC fighter units to deploy rapidly to overseas bases without landing enroute for fuel.

A particularly noteworthy portion of the flight was the celestial navigation system which was especially designed to solve jet-fighter long-distance navigation problems. SAC's global weather center at Omaha, Nebraska was credited with much credit for the success of the flight since flight planning on weather and winds aloft was based on information it furnished.

All the credit for success of "Operation Longstride" did not belong to the pilots who actually flew the planes. The support crews which consisted of a group of highly trained specialists capable of maintaining every part of the F-84G Thunderjets, were an essential part of the activity and they carried out their jobs with distinction. These men spent many hours in cross-training so each could do the other's job in case of emergency. They spent every available moment with their aircraft, becoming completely familiar with them and the special traits

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individual aircraft are sometimes prone to develop.

These groups of men stayed with their aircraft until the flight to advance bases was completed, at which time they returned to Turner Air Force Base.

In keeping with the provisions of Air Force Manual 65-1 2/ which directs that a service unit system of supply be established at all Second AF bases on certain classes of AF property, the Manpower Office conducted a survey in order to determine the feasibility of justifying a graded position for a civilian supply records specialist. This survey was completed on 10 September 1953. It was learned that there was a full justification for this position. Merely justifying the need for this job did not solve the complete problem, however. Since this position must be obtained from within the current authorized graded civilian ceiling, the Manpower Office initiated a survey of vulnerable areas to obtain the desired slot. This survey should be completed in October and a full report will be included in the next historical report. 3/

2/ Air Force Manual 65-1. (On file, Hq Turner AFB, Ga.)

3/ Hist. Rpt fr Manpower and Orgn Ofc, Sept 1953. (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)

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In conjunction with the survival school, 4/ which was transferred from Hazelhurst, Georgia to Turner Air Force Base, the 811th Operations Squadron was requested to furnish justification for retention of airmen spaces presently authorized for the Rescue and Survival Section mission. 5/

These authorizations were originally justified on the basis of the requirements necessary to administer the Hazelhurst, Georgia Survival School program. On the closing of that portion of the program, the requirements for spaces were lowered. In the latter part of August, 1953, a letter from Headquarters SAC indicated that a Survival School for fighter pilots had been definitely decided upon. 6/ As a result of this piece of correspondence, plus the contents of a message from Second Air Force which arrived in September, final action was not taken at this level. Indications were that direct instructions will be forthcoming in the not-too-distant future. Therefore, the entire disposition of the project was shelved until a later date. Final action will be reported in the historical report for the period in which it occurs. 7/

4/ See page 21, July Hist. Rpt, 40th AD and 811th ABG. (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)

5/ Hist. Rpt fr Base Manpower & Orgn Ofc, Sept 1953 (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)

6/ Ltr, Hq SAC, subj: Survival Sch for Ftr Pilots. (On file, Hq TAFB)

7/ Personal Interview w/Base Manpower Officer by T/Sgt. Aldridge.

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During September 1953 the Manpower and Organization Office received Personnel Authorization Vouchers which reflected the reduction of seven graded spaces together with an increase of seven ungraded spaces. This headquarters was authorized by a message from Second AF to take reduction-in-force action to equal the new graded civilian strength. As was readily apparent, this action could not be completed properly in a short time. Hence, the date 31 October was established as cut-off date, and extra personnel will be off the roll by that date. 8/

The civilian hiring freeze which was directed by Headquarters Second Air Force remained in effect during September 1953. A teletypewriter exchange from that headquarters directed that requests for hiring scarce-category personnel be forwarded to that installation for processing. 9/ The same message pointed out that for planning purposes, 1 November 1953 had been established as the probable date the civilian hiring freeze was to be lifted. 10/

During September 1953 the Manpower and Organization Office received notification that SAC had established a schedule for the review and revision of certain T/O's applicable to this command. Early in the month this office posted a letter to all 40th Air Division units concerned with this procedure, in which they were directed to submit recommended T/O changes to the Base Manpower Office not later than 18 September 1953. Changes which are approved by the Manpower and Organization Office here

8/ Msg, 2AF, 2AFPLC 2227, 18 Sep 53. (Exhibit 1)

9/ Hist. Rpt fr Base Manpower Ofc. Sep 1953 (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)

10/ Ibid.

will be forwarded to Second Air Force by 20 October 1953. Major T/O changes and revisions resulting from this activity will be discussed in the next reporting period. 11/

The plan to establish a bank on Turner AFB was implemented with a meeting between the Base Commander and officials of the First State Bank of Albany, Georgia in early July of this year. 12/ Shortly thereafter, those officials presented themselves to the Base Legal Office stating that they had authorization from the Treasury Department to establish banking facilities at this installation.

After thoroughly analyzing the matter, it was determined that a considerable amount of work was needed from the Air Installations Squadron before the bank could move onto the base and bagin operations. In addition, the Legal Office was emjoined to draw up a contract between the Base Commander and the bank officials.

The bank officials were advised that the physical facilities which they would occupy would be one wing of the old headquarters building. The original date of occupancy was established as 14 August. This date was later extended to 15 September when it was determined that the contractor for the new administration building would not be able to meet his deadline.

During the month of August and the first of this month, the contract between the First State Bank and the Base Commander was drawn up. The final contract was signed effective 21 September 1953.

11/ Hist. Rpt fr Base Manpower & Orgn Ofc. Sept 1953. (On file, Hq TAFB)

12/ Hist. Rpt fr Base Legal Ofc, Sept 1953. (On file, Hq TAFB)

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An air conditioning unit for the offices of the bank was installed by the bank itself. A regulation which was in effect in June required that permission for such an installation be obtained from higher headquarters. However, this provision was waived and the bank installed the unit. Under the contract the bank retains ownership rights. 13/

An important question concerning the protection of the Government's interest in clothing belonging to AWOL airmen came to the attention of Turner AFB officials in early September 1953. 14/

The gist of the situation centered on the unit'commander's respnnsibility to adequately safeguard all Air Force clothing previously belonging to airmen who have absented themselves from duty without proper authority. Several cases came to light in which clothing items had been misappropriated by unknown persons. To get to the bottom of the controversy, the Legal Office was requested to delve into regulations in order to determine the manner authorized to fix responsibility for safeguarding this type of property. Colonel John J. Easton, 811th Air Base Group Commander, pointed out to all squadron commanders and staff officer that any commanding officer could be required to make retribution to the Government in the event Air Force clothing which was formerly in the possession of an AWOL was lost or stolen.

13/ Hist. Rpt fr Base Legal Ofc, Sept 1953. (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)

14/ Ibid.

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The Staff Judge Advocate's Office dispatched a memorandum to Base Materiel outlining some of the provisions of Air Force Manual 67-1, which directly fixes the responsibility on the squadron commander. Copies of this correspondence were distributed to all Turner AFB units by the Base Materiel Office. 15/

The annual Fiscal Year '54 Financial Plans for Project 458 and Project 478 were completed, approved and submitted to Headquarters Second Air Force 25 September. Obligations (P458) were $130,987 for the first quarter fiscal year 1954. An amount of $138,413 has been projected and approved by Strategic Air Command for the second quarter of this year. Turner received an advice of allotment for $525.000 for the fiscal year in Project 458. 16/

During September a budget section was organized in the Budget and Accounting Office to gather statistics relating to preparation, justification and administration of the budget. Heretofore, the compilation of these statistics had been the individual responsibility of the budget officer at his own discretion. This action systematized the collection, summarizing and analyzing of this information.

An investigation of Commercial Discounts was undertaken to determine whether the number and type of cash discounts offered to the Purchasing and Contracting Office were adequate. It was found that the majority of purchases were made through informal negotation in which the P and C Officer used his own discretion as to specific terms such as cash discounts.

15/ Hist. Rpt fr Base Legal Ofc, Sept 1953. (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)

16/ Hist. Rpt fr Budget & Acct. Ofc, Sept 1953. (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)

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However, the P and C Officer stated that he did not believe in "dictating" the terms of a contract -- by asking for cash discounts in behalf of the Government. A conclusion was reached, stating that if the matter is astutely handled, the cash discounts obtained would not necessarily be offset by a corresponding rise in the contract price. 17/

An analysis was made to determine the relative cost of shipping freight by T-7 type aircraft between Turner and other Air Force bases. Due to the capacity and small loading door of the T-7 type aircraft, and also the fact that expenses such as gas and oil, per diem, et cetera, attributed to operating the T-7, divided by its capacity load resulted in a higher rate per pound than charged by commercial carriers, it was recommended that Turner continue to utilize the courier service for shipping as much as possible. 18/

To determine the relative exactness of requested orders to actual orders and to determine what classes of materials are being underestimated in the requested cost, necessary information was taken from the P458-08 expenditures for the months of April, May, and June, and compiled on a table. From this table it was possible to pin point the classes in need of attention, namely; classes 08, 13, 17, 33, 34, 64, 67, and 70. It was recommended that closer attention be placed on these classes - by Purchasing and Contracting when items within these classes are requested, and by Budget and Accounting when they are submitted for approval. 19/

17/ Hist. Rpt fr Management Analysis Ofc, Sept 1953 (On file, Hq TAFB,Ga.)
18/ Hist. Rpt fr Budget & Acct Ofc, Sept 1953 (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)
19/ Ibid.

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The Analysis of the Clothing Sales Store revealed a monthly loss of $7.80 and a cumulative loss of $3.05. As of the 30th of September the CSS was $6.39 under the maximum allowable loss. In an effort to check the possibilities of errors, it was recommended that a minimum of two disinterested officers be assigned to inventory the clothing sales facilities each month; that the CSS continue to inventory the bulk as well as the retail outlet each month; that if discrepancies occur which are in excess of the maximum allowable gain or loss, the CSS remain closed until such time as the errors are found. 20/

Effective 1 October 1953, a new Squadron Management Control System will be in operation. The first report on the new system will be available November 1953. This system gives the larger squadrons an equal chance with the smaller squadrons. The 508th SFW has also adopted this new system for their respective squadrons. 21/

Reporting is the backbone for decisions made by higher headquarters. Accurate and timely reporting is a prerequisite for decisions to be correct. Due to overseas transfers and the present early release program, many inexperienced people. In an effort to aid these people and to insure more accurate reporting for higher headquarters, the Statistical Services Section revised its audit team procedures. Its duty is to make periodic surveys on procedures used by the different preparing agencies in gathering their information and submitting it in report form to higher headquarters.22/

20/ Hist. Rpt fr Management Analysis Sect, Sept 1953. (On file, Hq TAFB)

21/ Ibid.

22/ Hist. Rpt fr Stat Serv Ofc, Sept 1953. (On file, Hq TAFB)

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The first step in this survey is to pick out a problem area. This is done by taking a certain report which has been causing trouble and studying it. The team then visits the unit and observes their procedure. During this visit the current method used is discussed pointing out its advantages and shortcomings. When improvements can be made, suggestions are given with an explanation of the advantage of using this suggestion. These visits are arranged by the Statistical Services Officer with the responsible officer. A written report is submitted after the audit is completed. It is believed that this method will result in improved reporting. Even in the last four weeks some measure of improvement has been noted. 23/

Plans were formulated and instructions issued during this month regarding a quality control reporting system on military pay orders and travel vouchers submitted by the various organizations on this base. For each squadron, the number of individuals affected by military pay order submission, the number of errors, the resultant errors per individual, the number of late military pay orders (those submitted too late to obtain required action), the percentage of late military pay orders, and the number of partial payments are shown. The squadron record is compared with the over-all Air Division average. This project will point out the areas of greatest error or laxity; namely, failure to promptly report longevity changes, failure to report changes in clothing allowances, laxity in reporting separate or leave rations, et cetera. 24/

23/ Hist. Rpt fr Stat Services Ofc, Sept 1953. (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)

24/ Ibid.

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This program should result in a definite improvement in the quality of substantiating documents submitted. By pointing out the areas of greatest occurrence, a control will be gained and those high spots eliminated.

Approximately 400 airmen separated under the early release program were processed and paid their final pay by the Finance Office. The program was phased out in such a manner that the workload came in at an even flow and no overtime work was required. 25/

The submission of military pay orders by all squadrons was requested at least one week in advance to separation dates. A log-in of all separation pay orders was maintained and checked against a master roster which was furnished by Base Personnel Section. By coordinating with Base Personnel, the Base Finance Office was promptly notified of any changes or additions. Various personnel were shifted from different sections of the office into the discharge section and this section was expanded to handle 50 discharges per day in lieu of 10 discharges which were normally accomplished. 26/

It was due to the full cooperation between Base Personnel and the squadrons discharging airmen that the above program was accomplished without overtime.

25/ Hist. Rpt fr Base Finance Ofc, Sept 1953 (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)

26/ Ibid.

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In early September a letter was distributed to all officers of the 811th Air Base Group explaining that the group is required to furnish officers to perform monthly inventories of the Base Commissary, Clothing Sales Store, Base Exchange, and to verify cash at the Base Finance Office. These are in addition to other details such as officer escort, and line of duty investigations.

The letter established a policy which was deemed most equitable to everyone on the base. The only company grade officers excused from duties of this type are major staff officers, chaplains, Air Police officers, and unit commanders. A roster of all eligible officers was to be maintained by the Base Personnel Officer. The officer due to perform a specific detail will be notified in writing at least five days before he is scheduled to perform the duty. The only justifiable excuses are when the officer is a member of a special or general court martial and a case is scheduled for the day he has been selected to perform the additional duty, when the officer is on TDY, or when he is on official leave. The new system is designed to establish a firm and equitable command policy which should prove satisfactory to everyone concerned. Also, there will be a considerable reduction in the number of changes in special orders thereby resulting in a general conservation of time and money for the base. 27/

Knowledge gained from past experience indicated that there was a critical need for a uniform procedure among the activities of all orderly room personnel assigned to units within the 811th Air Base Group. This

27/ Ltr, Hq 811 ABG, file BP 210.4, subj: Monthly Inventories and Details, dtd 3 Sep 1953, signed by Col. Easton. (Exhibit 2)

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need was repeatedly brought to the attention of the Base Personnel Office with the transfer of airmen from one local organization to another. The problem centered around the inability of finance clerks, classification clerks, chief clerks and others, to quickly and profitably perform required duties when transferred to another squadron. Notwithstanding Air Force regulations which standardize orderly room procedures to a great extent, each individual unit tended to develop its own standing operating procedure. This was carried out to such an extent that corrective action became an absolute necessity.

Therefore, early in September 1953 the Base Personnel Office undertook the problem of initiating and implementing a standing procedure for all orderly room activities at Turner AFB. This SOP includes all functions from those of the first sergeant to the apprentice clerk. The final draft of this procedure is rapidly being accomplished. All coordination should be completed and the SOP placed into effect on or about 15 October 1953, at which time a finished report will be included in the 811th Air Base Group historical report. 28/

The receipt of AFM 35-1, dated 1 March 1953, brought a drastic change in the overall AFSC system at Turner AFB. 29/ This manual specified that there was to be a number of AFSC conversions. The Base Personnel Office reliably estimated that there would be a total of 206 conversions. So, work was begun immediately.

28/ Hist. Rpt fr Base Pers. Ofc, Sept 1953. (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)

29/ Ibid.

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The general repercussions of this manual are received favorably at this installation since it incorporates all regulations concerning the airman's career program into one compact bundle. It was believed that the manual would eliminate a large portion of repetition previously encountered under the old regulation system. It seems that a superior system will evolve regarding accurate identification of duties of individual Air Force Specialty Codes.

A deadline of 31 October 1953 was established for the conversion. As of the end of this reporting period, 164 had been accomplished. The Base Personnel Office anticipated no difficulty in accomplishing the reminder of the conversions. 30/

A record number of 890 personnel were processed by the Base Processing Center. This figure was unusually high due to the early release program, and was expected to return to normalcy at the conclusion of the program.

The first early release program did not effect the desired ends. Therefore, Headquarters USAF ordered implementation of a second phase of reduction in force. Plans were made to release approximately 150 airmen under this part of the program. It was anticipated that the first contingent of airmen would be released on 12 October 1953 with additional airmen released at daily intervals thereafter until the desired number had been released. 31/

30/ Hist. Rpt, Base Pers. Ofc, Sept 1953. (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)

31/ Ibid.

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Airmen were scheduled for release at the rate of 40 per day. Those airmen with the latest date of separation in fiscal year 1955 were to be released first.

The Primary Management Training Course for civilian supervisors was initiated during this month. Meeting three times each week for two-hour sessions, the class had 17 personnel registered for attendance. 32/

The local Civil Service Board conducted examinations for stenographers and typists 19 September 1953. Although there were 80 original applicants for the examination, only 50 appeared to take the tests.

Recruitment during the month was confined solely to filling ungraded vacancies. The freeze on hiring of graded personnel did not permit any recruitment action for filling graded vacancies.

The Second AF inspection team visited the Personal Affairs Office in the latter part of this reporting period, and suggested that a change be made in the filing of personal affairs folders. 33/ It was suggested that these folders be filed alphabetically by organization rather than in alphabetical order for all persons on the base. Previous experience at this level had shown that a more feasible operation resulted from one central alphabetical file.

It was pointed out that, in many cases, an airman transferred to the other Wing or to the Air Base Group would fail to physically relocate his folder. Therefore, his folder would not be with those of the organization to which he was actually assigned when a review was called. This

32/ Hist Rpt fr Civ. Pers. Ofc, Sept 1953. (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)

33/ Hist. Rpt fr Pers. Affairs Ofc, Sept 1953. (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)

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would necessitate sending a runner to base headquarters to retrieve it.

Notwithstanding past experience which proved conclusively from the Base Personal Affairs Office standpoint that filing personal affairs folders alphabetically by organization was not completely adaptable to highly mobile fighter squadrons of SAC, plans were begun to implement such a system again as soon after completion of the present mobility plan as was feasible. It was planned to suggest remedial action to Second AF if, at the end of a sufficient trail period, the system again proved to be inadequate or unsatisfactory.

This plan was discussed with the Base Personnel Services Office who, in turn, contacted the Second AF Personnel Officer. Authority was granted to this station to disregard the system suggested by the inspection team until such time as concrete instructions were forthcoming.

Therefore, this office planned to take no further action during this reporting period. 34/

During this month the Turner Chapter of the Air Force Aid Society made 45 loans totalling $2,064.00. Also, during this period 50 loans totalling $2,858.55 were repaid. 35/

34/ Hist Rpt fr Pers. Affairs Sect, Sept 1953. (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)

35/ Ibid.

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III - OPERATIONS AND TRAINING

In recent months, there had been claims by local personnel that they had seen objects in the air near Turner AFB. In the past there had been no local instructions published regarding the persons or officials to whom such incidents should be reported. 36/ With a remedial view in mind, a letter from the commander of the 40th Air Division was forwarded for dissemination to all Turner AFB personnel. The letter directed that all persons sighting unidentified objects in the air report the incident immediately to the Director of Intelligence, 31st SFW, giving full details as to estimated speed, altitude, comparative size of the object, together with names of witnesses. This action was taken to establish a central agency, and eliminate confusion surrounding situations of this nature.

A notice was received in the Operations and Training Office in September to the effect that the Second AF courier service would be discontinued 1 October 1953. 37/ At that time each base within the jurisdiction of that command will be responsible for airlifting passengers and freight originating at the home installation. To accomplish the desired aim of this program, an SOP which established a base policy regarding administrative and support type flights, was drawn up and coordinated locally. The draft was then forwarded to Second Air Force for approval. Plans were made to implement the procedure immediately upon its return from that headquarters. It will become a permanent part of the

36/ Hist. Rpt fr Base Ops & Trng Ofc, Sept 1953. (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)

37/ Ibid.

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Base Standard Operating Manual. 38/

Although no positive statement regarding the reasons for the discontinuance of this operation was made in the directive received from Second AF, it is the general consensus of officials of the Base Operations and Training Office that it was done for economy purposes. Since the system under which this procedure will operate was previously in effect at Turner AFB, no problems or controversies are anticipated in the changeover. 39/

During the month of September, 25 pilots of the Air Base Group were present for duty and participated in flying activities at this installation. The percentage of AFR 60-2 requirements for these pilots assigned or attached to Base Flight for flying continued an upward trend during this reporting period. Aircraft of Base Flight flew a total of 336 hours without an accident this month. Complete flying time statistics are included in the appendix. 40/

During this month the Air Base Training Flight conducted considerably fewer activities than were reported for August 1953. This month the schedule merely returned to normal after a record high in August. There was a total of 278 officers and airmen who took part in range practice. This compares to the record 2,226 who fired in August. The reason for the seemingly excessive number firing in August was a result of a concentrated effort to bring all officer and airmen records up to date. Officials at the Air Base Training Flight are confident that this number

38/ Hist. Rpt fr Base Ops & Trng Ofc, Sept 1953. (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)

39/ Ibid.

40/ Flying Time Statistics (Exhibit 3)

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has returned to a static position and will remain so for several months to come. 41/

The new communications building was 99 percent at the end of this reporting period. The percentage of completion at the end of the previous month was 96.5 percent. Since this percentage pertains only to the actual construction of the building and not the installation of telephone central office equipment, it cannot be stated that the building is almost ready for occupancy. Actual date for occupancy is contingent upon the date the cut-over to facilities in Albany, Georgia may be accomplished. This date was tentatively set as 20 December 1953. 42/

41/ Hist. Rpt fr Air Base Trng Flight, Sept 1953. (On file, Hq TAFB)

42/ Hist. Rpt fr Base Comm. Ofc, Sept 1953. (On file, Hq TAFB)

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IV - MATERIEL

In September 1953 the Second AF semi-annual inspection team made a thorough inspection of all Turner AFB units. From the viewpoint of the Base Materiel Office, the results were not completely satisfactory.

It was anticipated as early as July 1953 that unit supply conditions throughout the base did not measure up to the desired standards. Therefore, a pre-inspection was performed by Base Materiel to uncover and correct all possible errors. At the end of the pre-inspection, all discrepancies were properly recorded and forwarded to each unit concerned for necessary corrective action. 43/

Each of these reports was returned to Base Materiel prior to the visit by the Second AF inspection team. All errors were certified as having been corrected.

Acting on the premise that supply personnel needed to be brought up to date on supply activities, Base Materiel implemented a short supply refresher school for personnel of both Wings and the Air Base Group.

It was then felt by members of the Base Materiel Office that the inspectors would find supply facilities on Turner AFB in excellent condition. Although Base Supply received a complimentary report, unit supply was considered generally below standard. 44/

43/ Hist. Rpt fr Base Mat Ofc, Sept 1953. (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)

44/ Interview w/Base Materiel Officer by T/Sgt. Aldridge.

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This was the primary factor attributing to the low rating given unit supply organizations after the inspection. Base Materiel has initiated aggressive action to insure that all supply personnel cooperate faithfully in the effort to bring Turner AFB supply conditions to the highest standard in Second Air Force.

The initial groundwork was completed for the impending mobility move of the 31st Strategic Fighter Wing. This included accounting for UAL property left behind and setting up procedures on accountability of UPREAL property going with the wing from the Air Base Group. A bulletin of instructions was originated by Base Materiel and was ready for dissemination to all units concerned at the end of this reporting period. 45/

This bulletin was originated to standardize procedures and to clarify specific material problems pertaining to the 31st Mobility Plan.

Plans were completed and instructions were distributed 25 September pertaining to a UAL review which was scheduled to be conducted during the early part of October 1953. There were no problems encountered thus far in the planning of the review.

The AOCP rate for the month of September 1953 was 9.0 percent. This was a decrease for the second successive month. The rate for August 1953 was 9.5 percent. The ANFE rate for September 1953 was 37.2 percent. This was also a decrease for the second month in succession. However, this decrease was expected due to the completion of a special mission of

45/ Interview w/Base Materiel Officer by T/Sgt. Aldridge.

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the 31st and 508th Strategic Fighter Wings. 46/

The VOCP rate for the month of September was 3.0 percent while the VOCM rate was 1.9 percent. Lost time of VOCP was 369 days and lost time VOCM was 318 days. These figures are considered near normal and illustrate the results of the campaign implemented in August 1953 to improve conditions regarding the ordering of parts for VOCP. 47/

Several actions of primary interest occurred within the 811th Motor Vehicle Squadron during this reporting period. Strong demands were made on the squadron to fill overseas commitments. These were carried out effectively with the squadron commander attesting to the fact that there were no violations of pre-embarkation leave reported. This exemplary record was believed to be the results of a project which directed that specific instructions be printed on the reverse side of all leave orders. These instructions were written simply and specifically, and served as a reminder to personnel concerned that certain requirements were expected of them and that they had the personal responsibility of fulfilling them. 48/

In August 1953 the Motor Vehicle Squadron commander drafted a letter which was typed personally to the parents or guardians of every individual in the organization. This correspondence told of the squadron, its personnel, the airman about whom the letter was written, his job, and a few details of Turner AFB and the local community. A number of letters

46/ For additional information, see page 4 of this report.

47/ Hist. Rpt, 811th Mtr Veh Sq, Sept 1953. (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)

48/ Ibid.

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were received in this reporting period as a direct result of this effort. The answers are highly gratifying. It is believed that the general morale of the squadron will rise as a result of this experiment.

One of the ground rules established by Headquarters USAF in preparing the fiscal year 1955 public works program, was that all minor new construction over $2,000.00 and any alteration or modification to existing facilities amounting to over $25,000.00 would be placed in the appropriate public works program. It was the general consensus of AIO personnel that this change was somewhat restrictive. However, it was acknowledged that since every effort must be made to stay within the public debt limit already established, this will prove to be a forward step in accomplishing that end. The restriction is the result of control being taken away from major air commands and placed directly in the hands of Headquarters USAF and Congress. 49/

It is a logical conclusion that there will be considerably less construction and alteration on Turner AFB in FY 55 than in FY 54. This does not imply that the base will be impaired to an excessive extent. Conversely, every effort is being made to offset this disadvantage by economical and conservative action.

Plans are underway to release three revised operation procedures to more effectively control the submission of work order requests. This was to insure that only essential work is done. A primary aim of the Air Installations Office is to inform more personnel on the base that

49/ Hist. Rpt fr AIO, Sept 1953. (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)

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AIO was established primarily for maintenance of existing facilities and not for new construction. The first of these three procedures will replace the present SOP 414-4. It deals with submission of work order requests for straight minor new construction, alteration or modification where AIO will furnish the materials and the labor.

The second procedure will set forth the procedures to be followed when the requesting organization desires AIO to furnish materials only. This condition will exist when the unit plans to furnish its own labor.

The third procedure will set forth the procedure to be followed when the requesting agency desired to have furniture or any other M/R type property or equipment manufactured by either AIO or base shops. 50/

Another step forward in the austerity program was effected in September 1953 when a revised system for obtaining lumber was instigated. Previously the Base Accountable Office could honor organizational requests for lumber on its own. The new procedure requires that all requests be channeled through the Air Installation Office and the Base Materiel Office for their concurrence before BAO can honor them. This action provides a triple check on the disposition of lumber throughout the base. Therefore, a more economical operation will exist by a thorough check on the use and disposition of lumber being requested at this installation. 51/

The fact that Turner AFB has only one main gate through which all incoming and outgoing daily traffic must pass has caused excess congestion each morning and evening since Turner AFB became a two-wing installation.

50/ Hist. Rpt fr AIO, Sept 1953. (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)

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This problem had been studied and various remedies tried intermittently since 1951. In July 1953, Avenue "A", the central thoroughfare over which this traffic passes, was widened and converted to accommodate three-lane traffic. This action proved effective in relieving much of the congestion. However, an unforeseen disadvantage presented itself shortly after the conversion took place.

The thoroughfare could not be made sufficiently wide to accommodate three simultaneous lanes of traffic safely and feasibly with the budget established for the needed improvement. Therefore, it was found that vehicles would, of necessity, utilize portions of the earth shoulders on either edge during rush hours. This not only caused rough, dangerous sides, but also caused rapid deterioration to the pavement edge and the road shoulder. In the event cars in either of the outer lanes drove with all wheels on the pavement, they were too close to cars in the center lane for safety.

These results led the Base Commander to issue an order reverting Avenue "A" to two-lane traffic, and increasing the speed limit from 20 to 30 miles per hour along that portion of the road containing no intersections and near which no buildings were located. This was deemed to be well within the confines of accepted safety practices since the avenue is considerably wider than is required for two-lane traffic at this point. The change from three-lane to two-lane traffic has not been in operation a sufficient length of time to state reliably whether or not the system

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will satisfactorily relieve the congested traffic condition. The final results will be thoroughly covered in a future historical report. 52/

A new program was initiated in the Base Refueling Section in September. Each Friday an inspection was made of the refueling units and oil trucks. These inspections were conducted on a competitive basis and the operator whose unit showed the most improvement and best overall condition was relieved from duty for one day. This program with the "day off" incentive proved highly successful in increasing and maintaining a high degree of operational efficiency in this section. 53/

The new hydrant system was not placed in operation by the end of this reporting period. It was the opinion of responsible officials that the main cause for delay was the lack of a functional aircraft parking plan. While there are several discrepancies in the construction of the new hydrant system, the petroleum section is of the opinion that these can be overcome.

Another problem with which the petroleum section was confronted concerned use of the T-4 hose cart. The latest available instructions cautioned not to use the four-inch collapsible rubber hose in conjunction with the T-4 hose cart. The petroleum section designed and submitted for approval a modification which will afford a considerably larger operating radius from the hydrant, thereby eliminating the four-inch collapsible hose. 54/

52/ Hist. Rpt fr AIO, Sept 1953. (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)

53/ Ibid.

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Attendance at the Base Service Club continued to show an increase this month. This had been the trend for the last four months. More than 12,750 airmen visited the club during this period. 55/

Tentative plans were made for a variety show to be presented to the Georgia State Recreation Convention at Radium Springs (Albany, Georgia) on the evening of 22 October 1953. This show has been scheduled for presentation at the Base Service Club 21 October 1953. 56/

Plans continued to move the Service Club to the former Base Supply building. Necessary coordination for installation of kitchen facilities were made together with those required for painting and decorating. 57/

During this month the transition from summer sports to fall sports became a reality. Before this was finally accomplished, the Base Gymnasium was renovated by personnel assigned to the Gym. 58/ The basketball and squash courts, the basketball blackboards, the shower rooms and all plywood partitions were cleaned and repainted.

The touch football season began officially 2 September 1953 with two leagues comprising 16 teams taking part in the activity. 59/ A bowling league with seven teams participating also went into operation early in

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55/ Hist. Rpt, Base Pers Serv. Ofc, Sept 1953. (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)

56/ Ibid.

57/ Ibid.

58/ Ibid.

59/ Ibid.

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the month.

A new series of elementary classes was initiated in September 1953. There was a total enrollment of 41 airmen. 60/ A continued interest was shown in the US Armed Forces Institute Basic and Elementary tests which were administered to 41 persons.

The Education Office testing service continued during September 1953 with 106 General Educational Development Tests being administered. The number of these tests was expected to decrease appreciably in the near future due to the recent airman's early release program.

The Florida State University "Operation Bootstrap" program was cancelled due to lack of funds and the excessive turnover of personnel of Turner Air Force Base. This program had been conducted for four semesters at Turner, beginning on 5 October 1951 until the discontinuance of the program in May 1953.

Classes were conducted evenings at Turner and the instructors traveled from Tallahassee, Florida for the classes. The Air Force paid two-thirds of the tuition of each student and students paid the other third in addition to the cost of their textbooks.

Since the discontinuance of the program, the Education Office received numerous inquiries concerning the program, but a feasible determination of the effects of the postponement cannot be made until a sufficient time has elapsed to authoratively weigh the facts.

The accident trend for military injuries continued downward for

60/ Hist. Rpt fr Base Education Ofc, Sept 1953. (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)

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the second successive month. The military rate was 3.94 for five reportable injuries. The cumulative rate to date is 4.78 for 55 injuries. The decrease in military accidents was attributed to increased attention given this problem by all Ground Safety personnel and cooperation by unit commanders. 61/ Of the five reportable accidents in September, three involved motor vehicles. It was unusual but gratifying that in none of these three accidents were the airmen at fault.

Operation "Safe Wheels 53" officially ended at midnight 7 September. The day before, Colonel Easton, Base Commander, made a talk to all personnel of the 811th Air Base Group cautioning them of the perils of Labor Day automotive travel. The result of this discussion was that no Turner personnel were involved in vehicle accidents during the long holiday week-end. This action, together with Turner's continued stress on the prevention of accidents, enabled the base to finish fourth in the final SAC standings of Operation "Safe Wheels '53." The base was edged out by two other Second AF bases and by Offutt AFB. 62/

An outstanding morale factor was initiated at Turner AFB during this month with the selection of the outstanding airman of the 811th Air Base Group during six months of the calendar year.

The presentation of the Airman's Achievement Award was made to the winner by the Base Commander at a brief ceremony in Base Headquarters. The airman, selected by a disinterested board, was judged

61/ Hist. Rpt fr Ground Safety Section, Sept 1953 (On file, Hq TAFB)

62/ Ibid.

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best in ability to perform his duties in a superior manner, his everyday appearance and his high moral code as an airman and a gentleman. This program proved to be a boost to morale throughout the base, and was expected to produce even higher morale among the local troops as it becomes more widely known and accepted. 63/

Sponsored by the Albany (Georgia) Clinic League, a semi-formal dance was presented for the pleasure of Turner AFB airmen the night of 21 September 1953. The activity took place at the Albany American Legion Home, and featured music by an eight-piece orchestra which was made up of Turner airmen and marines from the local Marine Depot. This was one of a series of social activities which was conducted for Turner airmen. It proved to be a big hit among the younger airmen attending. _

63/ Base Newspaper, FIGHTERS IN-FORMATION, 18 Sept 1953 (On file, Hq TAFB. Ga.)

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VI - SPECIAL PROJECTS

Attention of all Turner AFB officers and airmen was centered on preparations for the Turner AFB sponsored Sowega (Southwest Georgia) International Sports Car Races to be held here on 25 October 1953.

Although some advanced planning was made for these races as early as June 1953, the actual operation did not get into full swing until early September, 1953. Major Vernie G. Black was appointed project officer to begin the activities. He was given the part time services of several officers and airmen to promote the races as much as possible.

In order to obtain the greatest amount of publicity, a newspaper and radio coverage department was established. Newspaper stories were initially mailed at the rate of approximately one release per week to some 300 daily and weekly newspapers within a 150 mile radius of Albany, Georgia. This rate was gradually increased until as many as three separate releases were being posted each week. In addition, various news stories were distributed to all leading big city dailies in the Southern U. S. The Turner AFB paper also featured a series of weekly articles concerning the forthcoming activity.

In order to receive the most coverage possible, each news release was mailed to ten news syndicates, 37 service installation newspapers, and four trade publications. Each of the stories released contained general information about sport cars with special attention given to

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the technical aspect of such wordings as cubic centimeters, displacement, and efficiency horse-power. Sport cars were compared with ordinary stock cars as to brakes, horse-power, piston displacement, and maneuverability. Special attention was given in each release as to price of advance tickets in comparison to price on race day together with instructions on locations where they could be purchased.

The radio department contracted for 55 disc recordings of spot announcements which were distributed to all radio stations within 100 miles of Albany, Georgia. These were likewise distributed to radio stations in all major cities in the Southeastern U. S. Each of the recordings contained from six to eight spot announcements varying in length from 15 to 45 seconds. All radio stations and news agencies had been contacted by letter in advance. Each was asked for cooperation in airing the venture. The three weekly radio programs broadcast by ISO personnel over three local stations also apportioned a large amount of their time to advertising the races.

A total of 200 posters, 14 by 22 inches, arrived at Turner AFB in late September 1953. These were distributed throughout the area surrounding Albany, Georgia and the outlying vicinity. A number of these posters were distributed to all colleges in the Albany area.

An agreement was reached with the Trailways Bus Company Inc. to run a series of special buses from major cities in the Southeastern U. S. on race day. The price of the ticket for these excursions will include breakfast and a ticket to the races.

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The Strickland Film Service of Atlanta, Georgia made thirty-five 35-millimeter films for distribution to all television stations in Georgia, Florida, Alabama and South Carolina. Arrangements were completed to show these films at all theatres in the area.

Toward the latter part of September 1953, advanced ticket sales were lagging considerably behind the desired number. At this point it became apparent that sales would have to be stimulated with some basis to the airmen selling the highest number of tickets. These prizes were to be cash awards taken from the gross proceeds of the 1953 Race in the following amounts; first prize, $300.00; second prize, $200.00; third prize, $100.00. These prizes were supplemented with about 25 gifts from local merchants. Ranging from automobile tires to pocketbooks, these prizes will be awarded to the 25 airmen with the highest ticket sales.

Plans were formulated and placed into effect regarding advertising and distribution of tickets in the surrounding territory. Three airmen formed a team which visited Southwest Georgia towns and cities in a privately owned vehicle equipped with a public address system.

Notwithstanding the fact that advanced ticket sales is lagging behind the tempo of the 1952 race, it was the consensus of race officials that the total number of spectators would exceed those present last year. A complete report of race activities and results will be announced in the October 1953 historical report. 64/

64/ Interview w/Sowega Race Officials by T/Sgt. Aldridge.

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VII - COMMUNITY RELATIONS

The Information Services Office joined with the Dougherty County Kiwanis Club to help celebrate National Kids Day by holding an open house at Turner on September 25 for approximately 200 eighth grade students of Albany Junior High School.

The students were given a special treat by the Base Fire Department with a regular crash rescue demonstration, which included the burning of an old F-84 fuselage. This demonstration was also a part of the department's "Fire Prevention Week" observance.

The 508th Strategic Fighter Wing set up two F-84's on static display for the kids, and furnished three pilots to give explanations and answer questions.

Small blue pins with a picture of a swept wing jet and with the words "Air Force Open House, Kids' Day" were ordered but arrived too late to distribute to the kids during the open house. However, they were sent to the school where they were given to the youngsters during their physical training program.

Preliminary plans were laid during September for the printing of a new Turner Air Force Base welcome booklet. However, completion of the booklet has been intentionally delayed to allow for further moves of various Turner services; thus, the new booklet, when ready for distribution to new personnel, will be up to date in every way.

The Information Services Office acted as host to Mr. Jim Ed Fain, writer for the Atlanta Journal, who visited the base in connection with

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writing a story for his paper on "Operation Longstride." 65/ The Information Services Officer arranged for several interviews with "Longstride" personnel in the 31st Wing, and also arranged for Mr. Fain to get several pictures he felt would add to his story.

Other special publicity was arranged for the coverage of the return of the 28 pilots who participated in this operation.

The Turner ISO acted as host to Mr. Dave Karten of the COMBAT CREW Magazine as he visited the base in connection with a story on Operation "Longstride." Photographs were obtained for Mr. Karten through the Base Photo Lab.

The cooperation of the local daily newspaper with the Information Services Office was excellent, as demonstrated by particular events occurring during this month. The ISO was queried by one of the paper's reporters reference a matter which was classified unbeknown to the reporter. Upon request of this office, the newspaper dropped all reference to this question in the paper.

65/ Hist. Rpt fr Base ISO, Sept 1953. (On file, Hq TAFB, Ga.)

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As of 30 September 1953

Headquarters 40th Air Division

Colonel Thayer S. Olds	Division Commander
Colonel Joe R. Williams	Director of Personnel (Prim dy) Executive Officer (Add dy)
Colonel Robert P. Montgomery	Director of Operations
Major Albert D. Simmons	Operations Staff Officer
Major Harry P. Wagner	Operations Staff Officer
Colonel Albert V. Kanig	Director of Materiel
Major Vernie G. Black	Project Officer- SOWEGA Sports Car Races
1st Lt. Ben F. Sands	Aide to the Commander

811th Air Base Group

Colonel John J. Easton	Base Commander
Lt. Col. George K. Sykes	Deputy Base Commander
Major Edmond L. Fortin	Base Adjutant
Captain John E. Schnell	Base Personnel Officer
Major William F. Kahley	Base Operations and Training Officer
Lt. Col. Fred L. Houck	Base Manpower Officer
Lt. Col. Leaford Bearskin	Base Materiel Officer
1st Lt. Schuyler Berry	Base Comptroller
1st Lt. Louis V. di Donato	Staff Judge Advocate

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Roster of Key Personnel - 811th Air Base Group (Cont'd)

Major (Chaplain) Luther W. McArthur	Base Chaplain
2nd Lt., Charles S. Wright	Base Information Services Officer
Major William F, Kahley	Base Operations and Training Officer
Major Bruce B. Wilson	Comdr, 811th Supply Sq
Major Carl H. Neiswender	Comdr, 811th Motor Vehicle Sq
2nd Lt., Lee P. McNair	Comdr, 811th Food Service Sq
Major Robert I. DeWitt	Comdr, 811th Installations Sq
Captain J. W. Henderson	Comdr, 811th Air Police Sq
1st Lt. John J. Johl	Comdr, Headquarters Squadron Section, 811th Air Base Group

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FM COMDRAF 2 BARKDALE AFB LA

TO JESKH/COMDRADIV 806 LAKE CHARLES AFB LA
JESDL/COMDRADIV 6 MACDILL AFB FLA
JESHM/COMDRADIV 38 HUNTER AFB GA
ZSN/COMDRASTRATRECONWG 72 RAMEY AFB P R
JEDBO/COMDRADIV 801 LOCKBOURNE AFB OHIO
ZEN/COMDRADIV 4 BARKSDALE AFB LA
JESTU/COMDRADIV 40 TURNER AFB GA

/RESTRICTED/ 2AFPLC 2227. THIS MSG IS IN III PARTS.
PART I. YOU ARE AUTH TO TAKE RIF ACTION GRD CIV TO REACH THE STRENGTH AUTH BY PAV DTD 1 SEP 53 FWD UR ORGN. PERS W/B OFF THE ROLLS BY 31 OCT.

PART II. TO EFFECT CONFORMANCE TO T/D-A CIV AUTH ALL PERS SPACES SUBMITTED TO THIS HQ FOR DELETION AS RESULT OF REDUCTION OF GRD SPACES WILL NOT REPEAT NOT BE FILLED AS OF 31 OCT. THESE SPACES WEREDDELETED ON UR T/D-A DTD OCT 53 FWD UR BASE.

PART III. THE CIV HIRING FREEZE IMPOSED BY OUR MSG 2AFPLC 0654, 8 JUL 53 IS STILL IN EFFECT. REQS FOR HIRING SOARCE CATEGORY PERS W/B PROCESSED BY THIS HQ, REF OUR MSG 2AFPLC 0517, 6 AUG 53. FOR PLANNING PURPOSES THE CIV HIRING FREEZE FOR UR BASE W/B LIFTED ON 1 NOV 53. THIS MSG W/B DOWNGRD TO UNCL UPON RECEIPT.

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HEADQUARTERS 811TH AIR BASE GROUP
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

BP 210.4 3 September 1953

SUBJECT: Monthly Inventories and Details

TO: All Officers, 811th Air Base Group
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

1. The 811th Air Base Group is required to furnish officers to perform monthly inventories of the Base Commissary, Clothing Sales Store, Base Exchange, to verify cash at Base Finance, plus other details such as officer escort, line of duty investigations, etc.

2. The following policy will be in effect immediately.

a. All company grade officers will be detailed to perform these duties except the following:

(1) Major Staff Officers
(2) Chaplains
(3) Air Police Officers
(4) Unit Commanders

b. A roster of all eligible officers will be maintained by the Base Personnel Officer and the officer selected for a specific detail will be notified in writing at least five (5) days prior to the date officer is scheduled to perform duty. The officer will acknowledge receipt of the letter and return it to the Base Personnel Officer within twenty-four hours of receipt. The only reasons an officer will be excused from such details will be as follows:

(1) Officer is a member of a Special or General Court Martial and a case is scheduled for that day.
(2) Officer is or will be on TDY on the scheduled day.
(3) Officer is on official leave.

3. It will be the responsibility of each officer concerned to comply with the Special Orders in every respect detailing him to the duty.

/s/ John J. Easton
/t/ JOHN J. EASTON
Colonel, USAF
Commander

A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

EXHIBIT 2

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TRAINING AND OPERATIONS

The following is data on Base Flight Aircraft including Airplane and Flying time for the month of September 1953:

Airplane Time:

T-6 . . . . . 2:00
T-6 . . . . . .61:15
C-47. . . . . 272:30
B-26. . . . . 13:45

	T-6	C-47	T-7	B-26
Training.....	-	15:05	5:20	
Administrative.....	2:00	257:35	55:55	13:45

Flying Time by Organization:

	T-6	T-7	C-47	B-26
Base Flight.....	2:00	79:30	350:10	13:45
307th Strat Ftr Sq.....	-	2:20	81:55	-
308th Strat Ftr Sq.....	-	2:00	11:05	-
309th Strat Ftr Sq.....	-	16:15	104:25	-
466th Strat Ftr Sq.....	-	-	-	-
467th Strat Ftr Sq.....	-	2:00	33:30	-
468th Strat Ftr Sq.....	-	2:50	8:20	-

Total Flying Time by Type Aircraft:

T-6..... 2:00
T-7.....104:55
C-47.....589:25
B-26..... 13:45

Instrument Time:

T-6 ..... --
T-7 ..... 15:20
C-47.....107:00
B-26..... 2:10

NOTE: Instrument Time is based on Flying Time.

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CHRONOLOGY

1 October 1953 - Colonel William D. Dunham appointed Director of Operations, Hq 40th Air Division.

2 October 1953 - Lt. Col. Leaford Bearskin appointed Deputy Base Commander

Lt.Col. George K. Sykes transferred to Hq 40th Air Division as Deputy Director of Operations.

Lt. Col. Armon C. Guthrie appointed Base Materiel Officer.

3 October 1953 - Word received of the promotion of Colonel Thayer S. Olds to the rank of Brigadier General.

22 October 1953 - Advanced echelon of the 31st Strategic Fighter Wing departed for 90 days TDY in Japan.

25 October 1953 - SOWEGA International Sports Car Races held at Turner AFB.

27 October 1953 - Received message from Second AF stating that the 100th Air Refueling Squadron would move PCS to Turner AFB.

ORGANIZATION AND ADMINISTRATION

I - ORGANIZATION AND ADMINISTRATION

The 40th Air Division and 811th Air Base Group were concerned with a number of significant organizational and administrative matters during the month of October 1953. Among these was the promotion of Colonel Thayer S. Olds, 40th Air Division Commander to the rank of brigadier general. 1/

First Lieutenant Ben F. Sands, Jr. was assigned Aide-de-Camp. 2/

A major change was made in the 40th Air Division Operations Directorate with the appointment of Colonel William D. Dunham 3/ as Director of Operations, replacing Colonel Robert P. Montgomery who became Deputy Commander of the 31st Strategic Fighter Wing.

Word was received this month that the 100th Air Refueling Squadron (Medium) would move PCS to Turner Air Force Base, Georgia from Lockbourne AFB, Ohio at the earliest possible date after 15 November and prior to 26 November 1953. 4/ The unit is to move at current assigned strength, including maintenance support personnel presently authorized 91st Strategic Reconnaissance Wing. In line with this move, the Base Manpower and Organization Section submitted a T/O Change Request on 10 October requesting an increase in the 811th Air Police Security Flight by one officer and fifty-four airmen. 5/

1/ SO 198, par 2, Dept of AF, dtd 9 Oct 1953. (Exhibit 1)
2/ GO 32, Hq 40 AD, Turner AFB, dtd 10 Oct 1953. (Exhibit 2)
3/ GO 30, Hq 40 AD, Turner AFB, dtd 16 Sept 1953. (Exhibit 3)
4/ Msg, Hq USAF, AFOOP-PC-C 57239, subj: "Department of the Air Force Movement Directive, 22 Oct 1953. (Exhibit 4)
5/ Ltr, 40th AD, file BMPMO 320, subj: T/O Change Request, 10 Oct 1953 (Exhibit 5)

Headquarters Strategic Air Command requested Headquarters USAF that orders be issued to inactivate the 100th Air Refueling Squadron on or about 1 December 1953, and concurrently activate the 508th Air Refueling Squadron, Strategic Fighter, with assignment to 508th Strategic Fighter Wing in accordance with Parts II and IIA, T/O 1-1174P, 1 March 1953. 6/ The reason for inactivation of 100th Air Refueling Squadron is to retain the designation for future assignment to 100th Bomb Wing. 7/

Initial plans were made in October 1953 for reorganization of the 811th Air Police Squadron and the 811th Food Service Squadron. This reorganization meant a general reduction in both officer and airmen strength in both squadrons. 8/

As a result of information received from Headquarters SAC, the Base Management Analysis Branch initiated an analysis of the Base Clothing Sales Store to determine a contract between operating costs and number of sales. 9/ The operating cost for the period of July, August and September 1953 was found to be the second highest of all 22 Strategic Air Command bases.

In view of the fact that average monthly sales for the fiscal year 1953 were only $6,513, it was recommended that the Manpower Office initiate a study to determine the advisability of eliminating some

6/ T/O 1-1174P, dtd 1 Mar 1953. (On file, Base MPO, Turner AFB, Ga.)
7/ SAC Msg, DPLMA 32714, subj: "Inactivation of 100th Air Refueling Squadron, Medium, and Activation of 508th Air Refueling Squadron," dtd 29 Oct 1953. (On file, Base Adj Ofc, Turner AFB, Ga.)
8/ Extract fr Hist. Rpt for Oct 1953, Base MPO, dtd 13 Nov 1953 (Exhibit 6)
9/ Ltr, (no file number), fr Management Analysis Br, subj: "Clothing Sales Store Operating Statements," dtd 31 Oct 1953 (Exhibit 7)

positions from the Clothing Sales Store Table of Organization. 10/

With the appointment of Lieutenant Colonel Leaford Bearskin as 811th Air Base Group Deputy Commander, 11/ a program of increased attention toward the responsibilities of the officer and non-commissioned officer was initiated. 12/ Concurrent with this non-commissioned program, special emphasis is being placed on esprit de corps, military courtesy and discipline, and military customs of the service. The program was designed to restore the non-commissioned officer to his normal place in the Air Force structure. It was initiated vigorously in all activities of the 40th Air Division and progress made to date has been reported highly favorable. 13/

10/ Ltr, (no file number), fr Management Analysis Br, subj: "Clothing Sales Store Operating Statements," dtd 31 Oct 1953. (See Exhibit 7)
11/ See page 15 of this report.
12/ Ltr, Base Pers. file BP 220, Hq 40th AD, Turner AFB, Ga. subj: "Status of Non-commissioned Officer," dtd 28 Oct 1953. (Exhibit 8)
13/ Interview w/Lt. Col. Leaford Bearskin, Dep Base Comdr, by T/Sgt. Frank F. Aldridge, Historian.

PERSONNEL

II - PERSONNEL

On the first of October 1953 there were 490 officers authorized for the 40th Air Division with 408 assigned. This is a shortage of 82 officers. 14/ The reasons for this shortage is that a sufficient number of officers have not been forthcoming from higher headquarters. 15/

In the 811th Air Base Group the authorized strength was 105 and the assigned strength was 74, with a resulting shortage of 31 officers.

In October the 40th Air Division was authorized 3,180 airmen and 3,641 were assigned. There was an overage of 461 airmen. In the 811th Air Base Group, 1695 were authorized and 1978 were assigned. The overage was 293. 16/

According to the Base Personnel Officer, these overages in airmen strength existed because an excess of personnel had been assigned to this base. The Base Personnel Section has no control over this factor since the Classification and Audit lists are prepared every two months by Headquarters Strategic Air Command and personnel are assigned to this installation as a result of figures on these lists. 17/

The month of October 1953 brought forth an announcement of the promotion policy for officers, captain through colonel. 18/ Immediately

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14/ Strength Rpt as of 7 Oct 1953 for 40th AD (Exhibit 9)
15/ Interview w/Base Pers. Officer by T/Sgt. Frank F. Aldridge, Historian.
16/ Strength Rpt as of 7 Oct 1953 for 40th AD (See Exhibit 9)
17/ Interview w/Base Pers. Officer by T/Sgt. Frank F. Aldridge, Historian.
18/ TWX fr Hq 2AF, file 2AFPRB1 1140. (Exhibit 10)

upon the receipt of the criteria, it was distributed to all units by the Base Personnel Office. 19/

This letter described in detail information required of squadrons in regard to the promotion procedure. Among the instructions were the type and number of reports required, date of submission, and the format to be used in submitting eligibility rosters. 20/ Minor difficulties were encountered in the activity because a small number of WD AGO Forms 66 had to be withdrawn for screening. 21/

Additional information in the form of a letter from Headquarters Second Air Force supplemented the instructions on officer promotion which were received in the above mentioned TWX. 22/

The military injury trend continued downward for the third consecutive month in October. The number of injuries reported was four. The rate was 3.27 and the cumulative rate was 4.64 for 59 injuries. 23/ Each of the four injuries reported were of a minor nature. 24/

In the final report on "Safe Wheels 53" received from Headquarters Strategic Air Command, Turner Air Force Base finished fourth. 25/

19/ Ltr, file BP 210, 21, Hq 40th AD, subj: "Eligibility of Officers for Promotion," dtd 12 Oct 1953. (Exhibit 11)
20/ Promotion of Officers - Eligibility Roster (Exhibit 12)
21/ This occurred during the midst of processing personnel for the scheduled TDY flight of the 31st Strategic Fighter Wing to the Far East. Since this was an important event in the overall mission of the base, it was necessary to interrupt the lesser important promotion activity. This was unavoidable and did not delay unnecessarily.
22/ Ltr, Hq 2AF, file 2AFPER 210.2, subj: "Fiscal Year 1954 Temporary Promotion Program." (Exhibit 13)
23/ The rate is based on the number of reportable injuries per each 100,000 man days.
24/ Ltr, Hq 811th ABG, file BPGS 729.3, subj: "Ground Accident Report for Oct 1953," dtd 1 Nov 1953. (Exhibit 14)
25/ Ground Safety Brief, Volume VI, No. 11 (Exhibit 15)

The regular monthly meeting of the Ground Safety Council was held in October 1953. Details of activities and discussions are listed in the appendix. 26/

Activities of the Personnel Services Office were considered normal during the month of October 1953. A breakdown by individual sections is listed in the appendix. 27/

The Civilian Personnel Office announced an authorized strength of 281 employees during this reporting period with an assigned strength of 273. The reason for the understrength was the civilian hiring freeze which had been in effect. There was an urgent need for stenographers in the Personnel Services and the Air Installations Squadron. In view of this need, authority was obtained from Headquarters Second Air Force to recruit persons for these positions notwithstanding the above mentioned freeze. 28/

In October 1953 higher headquarters initiated a program which was intended to substantially reduce the number of unproductive airmen within the command who were serving time in guardhouse. 29/ Under this program the commander of the 40th Air Division was enjoined to reduce the number of prisoners by making full use of administrative reprimands, non-judicial punishment and administrative separation under the provisions of AF Regulations 39-16 and 39-17. 30/

26/ Minutes of Executive Ground Safety Council. (Exhibit 16)
27/ Extract fr Monthly History, Pers Serv. Sect and Supplement to Pers. Serv. Hist for October 1953. (Exhibit 17)
28/ Extract fr Monthly Hist, Civ Pers. Ofc, Oct 1953. (Exhibit 18)
29/ Ltr, Hq 2AF, file 2AFJA 250.3, subj: "Confinement Policies", dtd 18 Oct 1953. (Exhibit 19)
30/ Interview w/Base Legal Officer by T/Sgt. Frank Aldridge, Historian.

In carrying out the intention of this letter the Base Commander acted to suspend sentences of seven airmen who were serving AWOL sentences. In deciding which of those persons who were to receive suspended sentences, three things were considered; first, each must have served at least one day in the guardhouse for each day he was AWOL; second, his conduct while serving time must have been outstanding; third, his commanding officer had to concur in the suspension.

There were nine cases acted upon by 39-17 boards and one case acted upon by 39-16 boards in this reporting period. Additionally, the number of courts-martial was substantially reduced. 31/ There were 11 summary and 12 special courts-martial during the previous month. During this month, there were only eight summary and nine special courts-martial.

Recruiting and reenlistment activities for Turner AFB during this month are broken down in the appendix. 32/

At the end of October, there were 490 officers authorized and 404 assigned for the 40th Air Division. For the 811th Air Base Group, 105 were authorized and 73 were assigned. 33/

Also at the close of the month 3180 airmen were authorized and 3423 were assigned in the 40th Air Division. The figures for the 811th Air Base Group were 1865 authorized and 1845 assigned. 34/

31/ Interview w/Base Legal Officer by T/Sgt Frank Aldridge, Historian.
32/ Ltr, (No file number) fr Recruiting Ofc, Turner AFB, subj: "Historical Report for the Month of October 1953," dtd 5 Nov 1953. (Exhibit 20)
33/ Strength Rpt as of 7 Oct 1953. (See Exhibit 9)
34/ Ibid.

OPERATIONS AND TRAINING

III - OPERATIONS AND TRAINING

A major operations activity during this month concerned the plans for movement of a complete air refueling squadron to Turner AFB. Advances by the Strategic Air Command in air-to-air refueling brought about the desire of that headquarters that every unit capable of in-flight refueling have a tanker unit assigned to it. The proposed move of the 100th Air Refueling Squadron from Lockbourne AFB was a result. 35/ and 36/.

The unit was previously scheduled to be transferred to Turner AFB in January 1953, however, this was delayed because it was felt the runways and taxiways would not withstand the weight of a fully loaded KB-29 airplane. As a result of this deficiency, it was determined that it would be necessary to operate from this installation at reduced gross weights, thus placing a certain amount of restriction on the operation of the refueling squadron. However, at any time a mission calls for maximum fuel available for transfer, the KB-29's could be staged from some other station. 37/

This was only one of the many problems which arose with the transfer and which required immediate attention. A request was made to Headquarters Second Air Force to assign the 100th ARS to the 508th Strategic Fighter Wing. 38/ This was done because the 100th ARS was to be physically

35/ MEMO fr 40 AD Dir of Ops to Hist. Sect. (Exhibit 21)
36/ TWX, 2AFPLB 3378, dtd 27 Oct 1953. (Exhibit 22)
37/ Ibid.
38/ Ltr, Hq 40AD, dtd 13 Oct 1953, file DO 680.3, subj: "Movement of 100th Air Refueling Squadron to Turner AFB." (Exhibit 23)

adjacent to the 508th Wing area, in addition to the fact that the parent 31st Wing is responsible for the support of the Air Base Flight functions, plus being responsible for the 551st Aviation Squadron.

Plans were completed to park the KB-29 aircraft on two dead runways with maintenance docks nearby. It was determined that rapid deterioration of the asphalt parking area by JP-4 fuel and the short radius turns of the heavy aircraft would result unless some counter measure was implemented. Therefore, authority and funcing for the procurement and laying of 22 pierced plank parking pads was requested. 39/

The wash rack facilities at Turner AFB could not be utilized by B-29 type aircraft. Since there was no immediate solution to this problem, it was planned to utilize Hunter AFB facilities when necessary. Headquarters Second AF was requested to take necessary action with Hunter AFB to permit use of their wash racks. 40/

With the assignment of this organization to Turner AFB the station was brought to almost maximum capacity from both a building area and an operating facility standpoint. The single runway at this station was deemed inadequate. Consequently, there is a vital requirement for a parallel runway for adequate flight operations and for desired flying safety standards. 41/

The building to house the 100th ARS headquarters and personnel was

39/ See Exhibit 23.
40/ See Exhibit 23.
41/ See Exhibit 21.

not a difficult problem. Building 2000, formerly occupied by Base Headquarters was made available to the squadron as a squadron headquarters and sufficient empty barracks were already available on the base.

Training activities during the month of October 1953 were considered normal. Firing was conducted by the Base Range Section while Atomic, Biological and Chemical Warfare, Basic and Refreshed Survival training was conducted in class rooms. 42/

For a list of routine activities performed by the Base Photographic Laboratory, the Base Communications Center, the Wire Maintenance Section, and Base Radio, see the appendix. 43/

The percentages of Air Force Regulation 60-2 requirements completed by pilots assigned or attached to Base Flight of the 811th Air Base Group for flying during the month of October 1953 were as follows: 44/ Proficiency, 86.7 percent; Night, 86.2 percent, and Hood and/or Weather, 75.7 percent.

A complete breakdown of airplane time, instrument time, flying time by type aircraft, flying time by organization and number and type of flights processed during this reporting period are shown in the appendix. 45/

42/ Ltr, BO&T, A/B Trng Flt, subj: "Section History for Oct 1953," dtd 5 Nov 1953. (Exhibit 24)
43/ Exhibits 25, 26, 27 and 28.
44/ These percentages are based on the semi-annual maximum requirements of 65 hours proficiency, nine hours night and 10 hours hood and/or weather. Percentages are also based on 25 pilots present for duty.
45/ Memo fr Base Ops, file 314.7, subj: "Section History for October 1953. (Exhibit 29)

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During the month of October Base Flight completed 1,000 days or about three years of accident free flying with a grand total of 28,466 hours flown in the C-47s, T-6s and T-7s assigned to the Air Base Group, as a result of proper training of pilots and good maintenance. 46/

The number of inspections, both intermediate and major, together with the number and type of transient aircraft serviced during this reporting period are included in the appendix. 47/

46/ It was known that on 18 Oct 1953 Base Flight had completed 1,000 days of accident free flying with a total of 28,466 hours. These were compiled by the Base Flight Section and were released in the Turner newspaper "Fighters In-Formation," Vol. 3. No. 32, dtd 20 Nov 1953. The Base Flight Section announced this month that it has now set 5,000 accident free flying days as a goal.

47/ Ltr, (no file number), 811th Ops Sq, subj: "Monthly Historical Report for October 1953, dtd 6 Nov 1953. (Exhibit 30)

MATERIEL

IV - MATERIEL

A major personnel change occurred in the Base Materiel Office during the month of October 1953. Lieutenant Colonel Leaford Bearskin was relieved from duty as Base Materiel Officer and appointed 811th Air Base Group Deputy Commander on 2 October, replacing Lieutenant Colonel George K. Sykes, who was transferred to 40th Air Division Headquarters as Deputy Director of Operations. 48/ Lieutenant Colonel Armon C. Guthrie replaced Colonel Bearskin as Base Materiel Officer. 49/

The Base Materiel Office was responsible for formulating plans to house the headquarters and personnel of the incoming 100th Air Refueling Squadron. Building 2000, which was formerly occupied by the 811th Air Base Group Headquarters, was cleaned and renovated and made ready for the arrival of the squadron sometime in November. 50/

The Second Air Force Inspection Team completed their semi-annual inspection during this reporting period with Base Supply making one of the best showings on record. 51/ There were no concrete reasons for this achievement other than the fact that continuous effort has been placed on bringing all supply activities up to the desired Air Force standard. 52/ The results of the inspection of Base Supply stated in generalities that this was the first time Base Supply had been found in

48/ GO 29, par 1, Hq 811th ABG, dtd 1 Oct 1953 (Exhibit 31)
49/ GO 29, par 2, Hq 811th ABG, dtd 1 Oct 1953 (Exhibit 31)
50/ See pages 11 and 12 of this report for further discussion.
51/ Hist. Rpt fr Base Mat. Ofc, Oct 1953. (Exhibit 32)
52/ Interview w/Base Mat Officer NCOIC by T/Sgt. Frank F. Aldridge, Historian.

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excellent condition. 53/

Notwithstanding the fine report on Base Supply, numerous discrepancies were discovered in the Unit Supply Accounting procedures in the 811th Air Base Group. Most of these were due to inexperienced Supply personnel in the squadrons, and to improper supervision on the part of Supply officers and Supply sergeants. 54/ Vigorous action was taken by the Base Materiel Officer to rectify the discrepancies. 55/

The month of October was one of considerable activity within the various sections and units of Base Supply. Projects conducted demanded maximum effort by all personnel assigned.

The requirements for the 31st Wing Mobility Plan received an extensive amount of attention. 56/ One of the outstanding projects conducted in Service Unit 2 was the procurement of various types of clothing in Class 13. A report was submitted to the Base Supply by the sections of the wing, consisting of all UEE shortages. 57/

Immediately upon the receipt of these reports, personnel of Service Unit 2 were dispatched to different depots to expedite requisitioning procedures. An airlift was set up to get the material to this station and to the organizations in as short a period as possible. When the

53/ Interview w/Base Mat Officer and NCOIC by T/Sgt. Frank Aldridge, Historian.
54/ Hist Rpt fr Base Mat Ofc, Oct 1953 (see Exhibit 32)
55/ Ibid.
56/ See page 8 of this report.
57/ Hist. Rpt fr Base Supply, October 1953. (Exhibit 33)

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material began to arrive, Unit 2 was required to spend a large amount of overtime in order to maintain a satisfactory flow to the Wing. The results of this project were gratifying and demonstrated the ability of participating personnel to accomplish their assigned tasks in an outstanding manner. 58/

Service Unit 4 was the next unit to play a large part in supplying UEE shortages to the Wing. The property class most effected was 17-B; however, all requirements were filled satisfactorily within a week.

Service Units 1, 3 and 5 were the least effected, all shortages to the 31st Wing were easily taken into stride with the normal work-load.

Another major project which began this month within the Base Supply sections pertained to preparations for the In-Flight Refueling Squadron being assigned to this station. 59/

The Table XVI and Table II stock lists to the KB-29P aircraft were screened and requirements determined. An expeditor team was dispatched to Hunter and Lockbourne AF Bases with the necessary requirements lists to initiate requisitions. 60/

Service Units 1 and 2 were affected to the greatest extent by the assignment of another type aircraft. Turner warehouse and stock record personnel made every effort to secure and set up all available storage and record space. 61/ One of the big problems anticipated in the near future is the storage space for the larger assemblies and parts. Ample

58/ Hist. Rpt fr Base Supply, Oct 1953. (Exhibit 33)
59/ Ibid.
60/ Ibid.
61/ Ibid.

storage facilities were not available at month's end. It is expected that some of the problems of storage will be alleviated by utilizing open storage area, however, this was not deemed to be satisfactory for the storage of particular parts. The new warehouse was expected to be available by the time the bulk parts and spares arrived at this installation. 62/

Most of the efforts of the petroleum section during this month were directed toward the utilization of the high pressure hydrant refueling system. 63/ Since the system was new, there was no standing operating procedure to follow in its operation. The petroleum section followed the information received at this station, and in a number of instances improved upon procedures and equipment modification. 64/

One of the most interesting ideas was the equipping of an F-6 refueling unit with a single point fitting from a salvaged F-84G plane. The single point fitting was adapted by the section and the attached refueling maintenance section to simulate the filling of an aircraft by single point method. This adapted F-6 unit was used successfully in several of the required tests of the hydrant system. 65/

The adaptation of the T-4 hose cart was believed to have been improved upon by this section. Standard hose from refueling units was

62/ Hist. Rpt fr Base Supply, Oct 1953. (See Exhibit 33)
63/ Ibid.
64/ (See Exhibit 33)
65/ Ibid.

used to replace condemned hose. However, a 35 foot standard hose was substituted on the discharge side in place of a 10 foot hose. This gave a radius of approximately 50 feet around the hydrant as compared to about 25 feet permitted by the tech order modification.

After extensive testing, the system was fully implemented on 28 October 1953. The operation of a larger number of hose carts was temporarily suspended pending the arrival of a shipment of single point nozzles quick couplings. At the end of this reporting period, only three were completely modified. With the arrival of the above equipment, six additional hose carts stood available for immediate use. 66/

Plans for a major base facility were finally consummated during this month, except for a few minor details. Plans for the project originally began upon the determination that present facilities were inadequate. As early as June 1952, the Base Exchange Officer confronted the Base Commander with a proposal to contact all the major pertoleum companies in Albany, Georgia area and offer them the opportunity to construct a permanent type filling station at their own expense on this installation with an agreement that their products be sold exclusively. The agreement was also to include a clause whereby the Exchange Service would reimburse the company for the building at the

66/ Hist. Rpt fr Base Supply, Oct 1953. (See Exhibit 33)

rate of one cent per gallon for all gasoline sold. This proposal was decided upon since the Army and Air Force Exchange Service had advised the local exchange officer that no funds were available for new construction. However, the Exchange Service stated in the reply to a query from this headquarters that it would approve the building of a station by any of the oil companies, provided a satisfactory arrangement was accomplished to make repayment.

In July 1952 a letter was posted to all major oil companies in the area. This letter outlined the requirements and requested that bids be submitted for the construction. By 15 September 1952, a negative reply had been received from each of the oil companies. The entire project was shelved temporarily, but was reopened in October 1952 with the appointment of a new Base Exchange officer. All the companies were again contacted. As was true in the first instance, all submitted negative replies.

In January 1953 the Base Exchange officer made personal visits to these companies in order to encourage them to judge the proposal more thoroughly. At this time, one Mr. C. E. Graham, Texas Oil Company representative, stated that he looked with favor on the plan, and suggested that contact be made with the Texas Oil Company Regional Office in Atlanta, Georgia.

On 25 February 1953, the Turner AFB Exchange officer visited the regional office, and in May 1953 an approval from the Texas Oil Company was received together with detailed drawings of the proposed building. Final approval for the construction is expected from that headquarters in

early November 1953, at which time work will be initiated. 67/

The site of the filling station was selected as the northwest corner of block 2 of the Base Master Plan. This is at the intersection of Avenue D and 3rd Street. The Base Master Plan provides for a permanent filling station. 68/

The plan for remodeling the Base Exchange calls for the transfer of the snack bar to Building 2006 which is to be vacated by the service club activity. 69/ Since the building was air conditioned approximately eight months ago, the Exchange officer obtained approval from the Base Commander to negotiate for the purchase of the unit. This action would permit a worthwhile saving to both the Exchange Service and Personnel Services. The Base Commander then submitted a request to Headquarters SAC for permission to make the sale. Approval was granted in late October and a price was agreed upon by both organizations. 70/

A proposal was initiated to Headquarters Second Air Force in October to install a 50-ton air conditioning unit in Building 2207 which is to be occupied by the Base Service Club. All estimates as to cost, together with a statement on the availability of funds was included in the proposal. A tentative date for work to begin on the project was not set. 71/

67/ The local filling station is pumping approximately 30,000 gallons of gasoline a month. It was the opinion of the Exchange Officer that this would jump to 75,000 upon completion of the new station.
68/ Interview w/Base Exchange Officer by T/Sgt Frank F. Aldridge, Historian.
69/ See page 26 of this report.
70/ See page 26 of this report.
71/ Ltr, BMAIO 670, Hq 40th AD, subj: "Proposed Air Conditioning Installation in New Service Club," dtd 19 Oct 1953. (Exhibit 34)

In September 1953 the 40th Air Division Commander received a letter from Headquarters Second Air Force concerning the supply policy for local purchase of expendable supplies. 72/ It was pointed out in the letter that a Strategic Air Command regulation covering the "Local Purchase Store" was to be distributed around the first of October 1953, effecting a simplified monetary accounting system for local purchases of expendable supplies. Instructions directed in the letter were carried out and an answer was posted 16 October 1953. The above mentioned Strategic Air Command regulation was not forthcoming and complete implementation was held up.

The crucial period of preparing the Public Works Program for the fiscal year 1955 confronted the Air Installations Office with considerable force. This was principally due to the loss of key personnel. The administrative assistant was transferred to the Marine Supply Depot, (Albany), the secretary in the engineering section resigned, and the secretary to the Air Installations Officer was absent for 10 weeks. These caused responsible duties to fall on the shoulders of inexperienced personnel, adding difficulty to the usually involved Public Works Program.73/

This problem was partially solved by reassigning an officer to the position of assistant AIO. The position of administrative assistant was abolished and a new position of supervisory clerical assistant was established. The latter position was filled by the former secretary to

72/ Ltr, 2AFMSH 400, Hq 2AF, subj: "Supply Policy for Local Purchase Expendable Supplies," dtd 21 Sept 1953. (Exhibit 35)
73/ Hist. Rpt fr Base Mat. Ofc, Oct 1953 (See Exhibit 32)

the AIO. With the replacement of the secretary to the AIO and the secretary in the engineering section, the routine of the AIO began to operate more smoothly. 74/

An important change in the organizational set-up in the Air Installations Office took place with the establishment of an operations control section. Established in accordance with SAC Manual 93-1, this section superseded the old work order section. 75/

The operations control section consists of a productive control officer, three material expeditors, and one investigator and estimator. The section was originated to receive, investigate, estimate and process work-order requests. After these requests are approved, work-orders are prepared, required materials are obtained, and both are dispatched to the shop responsible for accomplishing the work. In addition to these duties, the section keeps a constant check on the location of all work orders and maintains a status account on each of them. The status account includes the estimated or contemplated completion date, percentage completed, et cetera. This information is posted on a work order status board. Upon completion, the results are forwarded to the cost clerk and property clerk for necessary record purposes. 76/

A list of projects and their percentage of completion is included in the appendix. 77/

74/ Hist. Rpt fr AIO, Oct 1953. (Exhibit 36)
75/ Ibid.
76/ (See Exhibit 36)
77/ (See Exhibit 36)

The VDP rate for the month was 2.78 percent and the VDM rate was 1.16 percent. These rates were considered normal for the summer of vehicles assigned to the installation. 78/

The AOCP rate for October was 6.5 percent, a decrease of 2.5 percent from the September 1953 rate. This decrease was due mostly to the transfer of the 31st Wing planes during the latter part of the month. 79/

The ANFE rate for the month was 44.4 percent, an increase of 7.2 percent from the September rate. This was not considered an alarming rate for a brief period. However, it would demand immediate attention in the event there were no steady reduction. This increase was caused by a few minor items, the replacement of which will reduce the rate considerably upon receipt from the depot. 80/

78/ Hist. Rpt fr Base Materiel Ofc, Oct 1953 (See Exhibit 32)
79/ Ibid.
80/ Ibid.

MORALE

V - MORALE

During the month of October 1953 a positive step forward was made concerning the construction of a bowling alley at this installation. 81/ Since this was a function which would fall directly under the Base Personnel Services Office, the Base Commander informed the officer in charge that $20,000 would be available as a grant from the SAC Welfare Fund for the construction. Thereupon, letters were mailed to the Saunier-Wilheim Company, the Military Service Company, and the Brunswick Company stating that tentative plans had been drawn up concerning the project.

The letters requested information regarding cost, materials, and installation of four bowling alleys at this base. As a result of these requests, representatives from each of the companies mentioned sent representatives to this base. After making their necessary surveys, they each submitted their estimated costs for the construction.

The estimated costs submitted by the Saunier-Wilheim and the Brunswick Companies were favorable indeed. It had been originally estimated that the $20,000 grant would pay for the construction of four alleys. 82/ However, the Saunier-Wilhem representative submitted a bid for five alleys to cost $17,500. Accessories -- bowling pins, balls, shoes, et cetera -- would not be included in this amount.

81/ Hist. Rpt fr Base Pers. Serv. Ofc, Oct 1953 (See Exhibit 17)
82/ Ltr, Pers. Serv Ofc, to Saunier-Wilheim Co., dtd 2 Oct 1953 (Exhibit 37)

Then the Brunswick Company representative stated that his company would erect six alleys for $19,889, including accessories.

At this time responsible personnel from the Turner AIO were requested to draw up a building and floor layout. They informed the Base Personnel Services Officer and the Base Commander that this would be accomplished.

Due to the heavy workload of the AIO, an estimated date that this layout would be submitted was not forthcoming. It was thought by the Base Personnel Services Officer that this part of the project would be submitted in early November.

Plans for this undertaking were running smoothly and according to schedule. Although no positive date was set as a goal for completion, it was felt by the Base Personnel Services Officer that the alleys should be completed and ready for operation in from four to six months. 83/

A second project which was designed to assist the base morale program was the contemplated transfer of the Base Services Club to larger facilities. 84/ For some time the gradual increase in attendance at the Service Club brought forth the need for larger facilities. Previously, it was acknowledged by the Personnel Services Officer that a larger building was not available. At the time the new Base Headquarters building was occupied. 85/ A verbal request was made to Base S-4 for Building 2207,

83/ Interview w/Base Pers. Officer by T/Sgt. Frank F. Aldridge, Historian.
84/ Interview w/Base Pers NCOIC by T/Sgt. Frank F. Aldridge, Historian.
85/ See page 26, 40 AD and 811th ABG,Hist. Rpt for August 1953.

formerly occupied by the 811th Base Supply. 86/ After necessary preliminary coordination, the move was tentatively approved and Base Personnel Services was instructed to submit a work order to AIO for renovation of the building. This action was accomplished. Action by the Base Personnel Services Office was suspended until work by AIO was completed.

This contemplated move brought up another problem. The present Service Club building was recently outfitted with a complete air conditioning unit. 87/ Since this project cost slightly over $9,000, the Base Commander appointed the Base Comptroller as negotiator to represent the Service Club interests in the matter. 88/

The Base Comptroller then contacted representatives of the Air Installations Office who gave specifications of the air conditioning unit together with a statement that it would cost over $12,500 to replace the unit at current prices. 89/ As a result of this estimate, the Base Comptroller asked $12,000 from the Base Exchange Officer for the equipment. 90/ No action was completed on this project during the month of October 1953. However, this cost was included in the budget for renovation of the Base Exchange. 91/

86/ Interview w/Base Pers. Officer, by T/Sgt. Frank F. Aldridge, Historian.
87/ See page 30, 40AD and 811th ABG Hist Rpt for July 1953.
88/ Interview w/Base Comptroller, by T/Sgt. Frank F. Aldridge, Historian.
89/ Ibid.
90/ Ibid.
91/ See page 21 of this report.

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This important transfer was considered unique in the annals of Air Force history and should prove financially advantageous to both the Base Service Club and the Base Exchange. 92/

With the move of the Base Hobby Shop to a larger building in April 1953 and the installation of an automotive repair department, there was a large increase in participation by airmen. In addition, plans to purchase a Bear Wheel alignment machine in the auto repair section 93/ brought forth the imperative need for more floor space. To alleviate the crowded condition, the Personnel Services Office requested the approval from the Base Commander to transfer the Hobby Shop woodworking activity to building 4704 which was formerly occupied by the NCO Annex. 94/

All machinery and equipment were moved to the new and larger building in October 1953. This move proved to be extremely advantageous to all personnel concerned with off duty automotive maintenance and woodworking activities. The space formerly utilized by the woodworking section has been incorporated into the vehicle repair department thereby affording an abundance of room. The woodworking section is more desirable at the new location in view of the fact that there is approximately three times as much space available as there was in the former building. 95/ Taking this factor into consideration, the Base Personnel Service Office began a study to determine the feasibility of implementing a small crafts department. Since this was only in the initial planning stage, no

92/ Interview w/Base Adjutant by T/Sgt. Frank Aldridge, Historian.
93/ See page 30, 40AD and 811th ABG Hist. Rpt, July 1953.
94/ Hist. Rpt fr Base Pers. Serv. Ofc, Oct 1953 (See Exhibit 17)
95/ Ibid.

positive action was taken during the month of October 1953, nor was a tentative date for final completion or approval set. 96/

Although the actual movement of equipment from the automotive hobby shop to building 4704 was accomplished October 1953, the activity was not opened for work. The final opening date was not established pending completion of work by the Air Installations Office. 97/

Other routine morale activities were performed by the sections under the jurisdiction of the Base Personnel Services Office. For a chronicle list, see Exhibit 17. 98/

96/ Hist. Rpt fr Base Pers. Serv. Ofc, Oct 1953. (See Exhibit 17)
97/ Interview w/Base Pers. Serv. Off by T/Sgt. Frank F. Aldridge, Historian.
98/ Extract fr Base Pers. Serv. Ofc, Oct 1953. (Exhibit 17)

SPECIAL PROJECTS

VI - SPECIAL PROJECTS

The 1953 Sowega International Sports Car Races which were conducted at Turner Air Force Base on 25 October 1953 proved to be successful. 99/ Although there was a large amount of work and man-hours involved, 100/ and total profits were lower than in 1952, 101/ many valuable lessons were learned from the experience. 102/

At the conclusion of the activity, Colonel Joe R. Williams, Project Officer, submitted a detailed report to Brigadier General Thayer S. Olds, 40th Air Division Commander. 103/ The report was broken down into 10 sections, i.e. business, publicity, ticket sales, facilities, race operations, programs, procurement, personnel reception and entertainment, and legal. Each of the sections explained its mission, procedure, results, and recommendations.

It was recommended by the Airmen's Living Improvement Fund Council that the profits from the 1953 races be used to install air-conditioning units in each of the local airmen's dining halls. 104/

99/ Ltr to Col Joe R. Williams, Sowega Race Project Officer, fr Mrs. Ruth Sands Bentley, dtd 27 Nov 1953. (Exhibit 38)
100/ Report on Sowega International Sports Car Races, Turner AFB, Ga. (See Attachment I)
101/ Statement of Income and Expenditures, Sowega Races (Exhibit 39)
102/ (See Attachment I)
103/ Ibid.
104/ Ltr, Hq 40th AD, file DCDR 121, subj: "Use of Profits from the 1953 Sowega Sports Car Races, dtd 13 Oct 1953. (Exhibit 40)

It was stated by General Olds that this work could be done as an exception to AFF 91-8, dtd 7 November 1951. In this case, the cost would be borne by non-appropriated funds. Notwithstanding, General Olds stated that he felt the project should be paid for with appropriated funds. It was estimated that the total cost would be around $65,000. 105/

105/ Ltr, Hq 40th AD, file DCDR 121, subj: "Use of Pfofits from the 1953 Sowega Sports Car Races, dtd 13 Oct 1953. (See Exhibit 40)

ROSTER OF KEY PERSONNEL

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As of 31 October 1953

Headquarters 40th Air Division

Brigadier General Thayer S. Olds	Division Commander
Colonel Joe R. Williams	Director of Personnel (Prim dy) Executive Officer (Add dy) Project Officer - SOWEGA Sports Car Races
Colonel William D. Dunham	Director of Operations
Lt. Col. George K. Sykes	Operations Staff Officer (TDY - Maxwell AFB, Alabama)
Major Harry P. Wagner	Operations Staff Officer
Colonel Albert V. Kanig	Director of Materiel
Lt. Col. Frank B. Stuart	Chief, Aircraft Maintenance Branch
Major Vernie G. Black	Assistant Project Officer - SOWEGA Sports Car Races
1st Lt. Ben F. Sands	Aide-de-camp

811th Air Base Group

Colonel John J. Easton	Base Commander
Lt. Col. Leaford Bearskin	Deputy Base Commander
Major Edmond L. Fortin	Base Adjutant
Captain John E. Schnell	Base Personnel Officer
Major William F. Kahley	Base Operations and Training Officer
Lt. Col. Fred L. Houck	Base Manpower Officer

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Roster of Key Personnel - 811th Air Base Group (Cont'd)

Lt. Col. Armon C. Guthrie	Base Materiel Officer
1st Lt. Schuyler Berry	Base Comptroller
1st Lt. Louis V. di Donato	Staff Judge Advocate
Major (Chaplain) Luther W. McArthur	Base Chaplain
2nd Lt. Charles S. Wright	Base Information Services Officer
Major William F. Kahley	Base Operations and Training Officer
Major Bruce B. Wilson	Comdr, 811th Supply Sq
Major Carl H. Meiswender	Comdr, 811th Food Service Sq
Major Robert I. DeWitt	Comdr, 811th Installations Sq
Captain J. W. Henderson	Comdr, 811th Air Police Sq
1st Lt. John J. Johl	Comdr, Headquarters Squadron Section, 811th Air Base Group

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811th Air Police Squadron

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DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
WASHINGTON

SPECIAL ORDERS)
NUMBER 198)

9 October 1953

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2. DP, announcement is made of the temp apmt of the fol-named off in the USAF UP sec 515, Off Pers Act of 1947, w/gr and DP as indicated:

TO BRIG GEN

THAYER S OLDS, 372A, w/DR 30 Sep 53

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE AIR FORCE:

OFFICIAL:

N. F. TWINING
Chief of Staff, United States Air Force

K. E. THIEBAUD
Colonel, USAF
Air Adjutant General

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JOSEPH E. ZURO
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HEADQUARTERS
40TH AIR DIVISION (SAC)
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

GENERAL ORDERS) 10 October 1953

NUMBER 32)

ASSIGNMENT OF AIDE-de-CAMP

FIRST LIEUTENANT BEN F SANDS JR A01910280, Headquarters 40th Air Division, Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia is assigned as Aide-de-Camp to BRIGADIER GENERAL THAYER S. OLDS 372A, Headquarters, 40th Air Division effective 10 October 1953.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMANDER:

OFFICIAL:

EDMOND L. FORTIN
Major, USAF
Adjutant

/s/ Edmond L Fortin
/t/ EDMOND L FORTIN
Major, USAF
Adjutant

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JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

HEADQUARTERS
40TH AIR DIVISION (SAC)
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

GENERAL ORDERS)
NUMBER 30)

16 September 1953

Announcement is made of the appointment of COLONEL WILLIAM D. DUNHAM 8097A as Director of Operations, 40th Air Division, effective 1 October 1953 vice COLONEL ROBERT P MONTGOMERY 4174A.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMANDER:

OFFICIAL:

EDMOND L FORTIN
Major, USAF
Adjutant

/s/ Edmond L Fortin
/A/ EDMOND L FORTIN
Major, USAF
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JEDBO/CO LOCKBOURNE AFB OHIO
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Hq 40th AD, Turner AFB, Ga., RMPMO 320, Subj: T/O Change Request

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HEADQUARTERS SECOND AIR FORCE, Barksdale Air Force Base, Louisiana
3 Nov 53

TO: Commander, 40th Air Division, Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

1. The attached T/O change requests are returned without action.

2. Your attention is invited to letter, this headquarters, file 2AFPLC 320, subject: "Reorganization of Second Air Force Units," dated 23 October 1953.

3. This headquarters is processing the proposed transfer of augmentation from Lockbourne Air Force Base to Turner Air Force Base for support of the 100th Air Refueling Squadron. You will be notified when action is completed for the transfer of T/O cells and T/D-A.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMANDER:

s/ R. E. Stauffer
R. E. STAUFFER
CWO USAF
Asst Adjutant

2 Incls.
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HEADQUARTERS 40TH AIR DIVISION
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

BMPMO 320 10 October 1953

SUBJECT: T/O Change Request

TO: Commander
Headquarters Second Air Force
ATTN: Manpower & Organization
Barksdale Air Force Base, La.

1. The following T/O changes are requested due to the anticipated movement of the 100th Air Refueling Squadron to this station.

2. The Manpower Board, this base, has reviewed the requests and recommends approval.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

s/ Edmond L. Fortin
EDMOND L. FORTIN
Major, USAF
Adjutant

2 Incls.
1. T/O Chg Req to T/O 1-8015
2. T/O Chg Req to T/O 1-8035

T/O CHANGE REQUEST

EXPEDITE

T/O NUMBER, TITLE AND DATE: 1-8015 Food Service Sq 1 Jan 52

TO: Director of Manpower and Organization
Headquarters USAF
ATTN: M & E Documents Division
Washington 25, D. C.

THRU: *(Command channels)*

FROM: Commander
811th Food Service Sq
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

PART	CODE	LINE NO.	TITLE *(Complete justification is attached for each entry included below)*	AFSC	GRADE	ADD	DELETE
IIRA	E0391	1	Food Service				
		2	Commanding Officer	6434	Capt	1	
		3	Adjutant	7024	Lt	1	
		4	Food Service Superintendent	62000	W/O	3	
		5	Food Service Attendant	62010	A/3C	75	
		6	Apprentice Baker	62130	A/2C	3	
		7	Baker	62150	A/1C	4	
		8	Senior Baker	62150	S/Sgt	1	
		9	Baking Supervisor	62170	T/Sgt	1	
		9	Baking Supervisor	62170	M/Sgt	1	
		10	Apprentice Cook	62230	A/2C	25	
		11	Cook	62250	A/1C	44	
		12	Senior Cook	62250	S/Sgt	48	
		13	Food Service Supervisor	62270	T/Sgt	4	
		13	Food Service Supervisor	62270	M/Sgt	2	
		14	Meat Cutter	62350	A/1C	2	
		15	Senior Meat Cutter	62350	S/Sgt	2	
		16	Meat Cutting Supervisor	62370	T/Sgt	1	
		17	Supply Helper	64010	A/3C	1	
		18	Aprn Organizational Supply Specialist	64131	A/2C	2	
		19	Organizational Supply Specialist	64151	A/1C	1	
		20	Senior Organizational Supply Specialist	64151	S/Sgt	2	
		21	Apprentice Clerk	70230	A/2C	2	
		22	Clerk	70250	A/1C	1	
		23	Career Guidance Specialist	73150	A/1C	1	
		24	First Sergeant	99970	M/Sgt	1	
RA	R9050	1	Recapitulation				
		2	Officers			5	
		3	Airmen			224	
		4	Aggregate			229	
	Incl	#1					

DATE	TYPED NAME, GRADE AND TITLE	SIGNATURE
10 Oct 53	LEE R. McNAIR, 2d Lt., USAF Commander	s/ Lee R. McNair

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T/O CHANGE REQUEST

EXPEDITE

T/O NUMBER, TITLE AND DATE: 1-8035 Air Police Sq. 1 April 1952

TO: Director of Manpower and Organization
Headquarters USAF
ATTN: M & E Documents Division
Washington 25, D. C.

THRU: *(Command channels)*

FROM: Commander
811th Air Police Sq.
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

PART	CODE	LINE NO.	TITLE *(Complete justification is attached for each entry included below)*	AFSC	GRADE	ADD	DELETE
IID	12373	1	Security Flight				
		2	Air Police Officer	7724	Lt	1	
		3	Apprentice Clerk	70230	A/2C	1	
		4	Air Police Trainee	96010	A/3C	10	
		5	Apprentice Air Policeman	96130	A/2C	10	
		6	Air Policemen	96150	A/1C	20	
		7	Senior Air Policeman	96150	S/Sgt	10	
		8	Air Police Supervisor	96170	T/Sgt	2	
		8	Air Police Supervisor	96170	M/Sgt	1	
D	R9050	1	Recapitulation				
		2	Officer			1	
		3	Airmen			54	
		4	Aggregate			55	

Justification For Increase To 811th Air Police Squadron

Request the 811th Air Police Squadron T/O 1-8035, 5 x Part IID, Security Flight, dated 1 April 1952, be changed to 6 x Part IID.

With the assignment of a Refueling Squadron to this station, the surveillance requirement will be increased. This increase in personnel authorizations is considered the minimum required to provide adequate security for the number of aircraft authorized for a Refueling Squadron.

Encl #2

DATE	TYPED NAME, GRADE AND TITLE	SIGNATURE
10 Oct 53	J. W. HENDERSON, Capt., USAF Commander	s/ J. W. Henderson

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MANPOWER AND ORGANIZATION SECTION
HEADQUARTERS 811TH AIR BASE GROUP
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

13 November 1953

BMPMO 320

SUBJECT: Historical Report for the Month of October 1953 - Manpower and Organization

TO: Base Historian
Turner AF Base
Albany, Georgia

E X T R A C T

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3. General Order No. 70 announced the reorganization of the Air Police and Food\Service Squadrons, effective 18 December 1953. The following resultant summary is furnished for information and planning purposes:

a. 811th Air Police Squadron (T/O 1-8035, 1 April 1953)

Old Authorization		New Authorization		Reduction	
Off	Amn	Off	Amn	Off	Amn
11	346	9	268	2	78

b. 811th Food Service Squadron (T/O 1-8020, 1 October 1952)

Old Authorization		New Authorization		Reduction	
Off	Amn	Off	Amn	Off	Amn
2 3 (WO)	202	1 1 (WO)	118	1 2 (WO)	84

A CERTIFIED TRUE EXTRACT COPY:

Joseph E. Zuro

JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

/s/ Douglas Crysel, 1st Lt., USAF
for FRED L. HOUCK
Lt Col. USAF
Base Manpower Officer

MANAGEMENT ANALYSIS BRANCH
811th Air Base Group
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

6 November 1953

SUBJECT: Clothing Sales Store Operating Statements

TO: Base Comptroller
811th Air Base Group
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

1. As per your request dated 3 November 1953, subject: Clothing Sales Store Operating Statements, the following conditions are in existence at Turner Air Force Base as compared to Second Air Force and SAC:

Period		TAFB	2AF	SAC	Considered "Unhealthy"
Jul	Operating Cost Per $ Sale	52¢	35c	31¢	Over 15¢
Aug	Operating Cost Per $ Sale	46¢	28¢	31¢	Over 15¢
Sep	Operating Cost Per $ Sale	41¢	NR	NR	Over 15¢
Quarterly	Operating Cost Per $ Sale	46¢	NR	NR	Over 15¢
Fiscal	Operating Cost Per $ Sale	NR	NR	NR	Over 15¢

a. The operating cost* for the quarter was 46¢ per dollar sales. The month of July reflected Turner as having the second highest operating cost of all 22 bases in SAC with a cost of 52c per dollar sales. August's operating cost for Turner was 46¢ per dollar sales (fifth highest within SAC); the averages for Second Air Force and SAC for the same period were 28¢ and 31¢, respectively. To reduce the operating cost per dollar sales in the future, one of the following should be executed:

(1) Increase sales to approximately $14,715 a month
(2) Cut the personnel authorization for the CSS
(3) Both of the above

2. Due to the fact that the average sales for the fiscal year of 1953 were only $6,513, it seems improbable that sales could be increased to the amount above. This leaves but one alternative - to reduce the operating cost.

*Operating cost consists of account 41620 (Mil per non loc funded, and Civ per locally funded).

3. During the month of July, the CSS was overmanned by two airmen. If it would have been manned as authorized during this month, the operating cost would have been cut from $2,183 to $1,903, resulting in a dollar cost per dollar sales of 46¢.

4. The month of August showed the CSS as being overmanned by three airmen. If manned as authorized, the operating cost would have been cut from $2,280 to $1,903, resulting in a dollar cost per dollar sales of 38¢.

5. During the month of September the CSS was overmanned by three airmen. If manned as authorized the dollar cost per dollar sales would have been 41¢. And if the T/O had been cut one position, and A/2c, it would have further reduced the operating cost to $1,713, and the operating cost per dollar sales to 38¢.

6. Therefore, this office recommends that a survey be initiated by the Manpower Office to determine if any position or positions can be eliminated from the T/O governing the Clothing Sales Store.

/s/ Charles M Flowers
/t/ CHARLES M FLOWERS
2d Lt USAF
Management Analysis

A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:
Joseph E Zuro
JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

OFFICE OF THE CLOTHING SALES STORE OFFICER
811th Air Base Group
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

BMCSS: 319.1 5 November 1953

SUBJECT: Monthly History

TO: Commander
811th Supply Squadron
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

1. Cash Sales at the Clothing Sales Store for the month of October 1953 were $10,011.35. Credit sales consisting of Category 21 and 22 were $1,484.25. Total reduction of the inventory from all sales amounted to $11,495.60. This figure represents an increase of $6,256.55 over the previous month. This increase in gross sales is due to the mobility movement and Base Clothing Check.

2. This section suffered the loss of one man this month, A/1C Nevin L. Bull was discharged under the early release program. Two airmen were assigned this month. A/3 C Chelcie C. Williamson replaced Airman Bull, and A/3C George H Baker to replace A/1C Wright who is leaving soon.

3. A priority requisition was placed with Wilkins AF Spec Depot but only a token shipment was received this month. The Store is out of several sizes of shoes and socks.

/s/ Warren W. Tuttle
/t/ WARREN W. TUTTLE
2nd Lt., USAF
Clothing Sales Officer

A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

Joseph E Zuro

JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

MANAGEMENT ANALYSIS BRANCH
811th Air Base Group
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

31 October 1953

SUBJECT: Clothing Sales Store Operating Statements

TO: Base Comptroller
811th Air Base Group
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

1. As per your request dated 14 October 1953, subject: Clothing Sales Store Operating Statements, the following conditions are in existence at Turner Air Force Base as compared to Second Air Force and SAC:

a. See Tab A

2. A brief discussion on the five areas measured in the enclosed Tab follows. Note: In most cases, the quarterly figures (Jul, Aug and Sep) were used for the discussion. These figures were used in order to reflect the most accurate picture of the CSS as it operated at this time rather than during the Fiscal Year 1953.

a. The operating cost* for the quarter was 46¢ per dollar sales. The month of July reflected Turner as having the 2nd highest operating cost of all 22 bases in SAC with a cost of 52¢ per dollar sales. August's operating cost for Turner was 46¢ per dollar sales (5th highest within SAC); the averages for Second Air Force and SAC for the same period were 28¢ and 31¢, respectively.

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(2) Cut the personnel authorization for the CSS
(3) Both of the above

b. Due to the fact that the average sales for the fiscal year of 1953 were only $6,513, it seems improbable that sales could be increased to the amount above. Therefore, this office recommends that a survey be initiated by the Manpower Office to determine if any position or positions can be eliminated from the T/O governing the Clothing Sales Store.

* Operating cost consists of account 41620 (Mil per non loc funded, and Civ per locally funded).

DCMA, Subject: Clothing Sales Store Operating Statements

c. The monthly turnover rate on a quarterly basis was 11.33%. Less than 25% is considered unhealthy by SAC. The formula used in computing this rate is Total Sales divided by Average Inventory. Since the inventory in the CSS on this installation is on/about the level set by ANC, this leaves but one remedy - to boost sales to an average level of $10,528 a month, if the turnover rate is to be increased to 25%.

d. The quarterly average percentage of Health and Appearance Sales to total sales was 3.96%. The "Standard" is considered to be 2% of total sales. July and September were below this figure; however August, with an 8.72%, distorted the average.

e. Part D, above Tab, shows low sales again as being the deciding factor in the rating. The inventory for the month of July was above the inventory level set by SAC but during the following two months decreased to the set level. A discrepancy was noted in the "Analysis of Operations" - - in finding the Monthly Average Inventory for Fiscal '53, the formula C + D ÷ 2 was used. (See attached chart). However, this can and does result in an incorrect figure. While the ending inventory was $225,524 in June (FY '52), it dropped to $106,547.13 in August, and in December to $61,162.55 (FY '53). Taking the twelve closing inventories and dividing by twelve, we arrive at an average of $81,451.00.

f. The quarterly average of Incoming and Outgoing Shipments showed Incoming Shipments $2,085 under Outgoing. This condition is considered to be "good". The extremely large inventory on hand at the beginning of the fiscal year necessitated having such high Outgoing Shipments for the fiscal year ($140,991) in order to reduce said inventory to the required SAC level.

2 Incls:
Tabs A and B
Operational Charts

CHARLES M FLOWERS
2d Lt USAF
Management Analysis

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HEADQUARTERS, 40TH AIR DIVISION
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

BP 220 28 October 1953

SUBJECT: Status of Noncommissioned Officers

TO: Commander
Second Air Force
Barksdale AFB, Louisiana

1. Reference is made to letter, your headquarters, file 2AFPB 220, subject: "Status of Noncommissioned Officer," dated 9 October 1953.

2. The following policies and procedures have been adopted throughout the 40th Air Division in an attempt to restore the prestige of the noncommissioned officers of this station:

a. Separate Mess: Separate dining facilities for noncommissioned officers are now in operation at this station.

b. Separate Rooms: Whenever possible, consistant with space availability, noncommissioned officers are housed in separate rooms in barracks.

c. Board Membership: Greater stress has been placed on the composition of boards, with placement of noncommissioned officers as members of boards such as squadron promotion boards and Character Guidance Councils.

d. Pay Call: Noncommissioned officers are paid separate from airmen and, in all cases, are paid first. The plan to pay noncommissioned officers by check, which is now under consideration, is believed to be an important step toward enhancing their prestige.

e. Noncommissioned Officers' Mess: The Noncommissioned Officers' Mess is restricted to the noncommissioned officer grades in accordance with current policies. Stress is being placed on better programs for the Noncommissioned Officers' Mess. Non-commissioned officers' conduct is a part of this program.

3. A vigorous program is now underway throughout all units of this Division to stress the importance of the duties and responsibilities of the noncommissioned officers. Authority has been delegated along with responsibility, in order to enhance the prestige of the noncommissioned officer and to enable him to deal with problems in the unit. This program has been in

effect for some time with notably good results. Indoctrination programs stressing the role of noncommissioned officers with respect to such factors as influence on subordinates, leadership, honesty, esprit de corps, morale and personal integrity have been started. The importance of the noncommissioned officer as a squadron advisor has been emphasized.

4. Officers and noncommissioned officers alike have been oriented on this program and all are intensely interested and active.

/s/ & /t/ THAYER S. OLDS
Brigadier General, USAF
Commander

A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

Joseph E Zuro

JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

SECURITY INFORMATION — STRENGTH REPORT AS OF 7 OCT 53 FOR 40TH AIR DIVISION — RESTRICTED

UNIT	AUTH	ASGD	ATCH	PFD	PWFD	SK	LV	DNY	AUTH	ASGD	ATCH	PFD	PWFD	AWOL	SK	LV	DNY	COMP
Hq 40th Air Division	10	14		11			2	1	7	7		5				2		
Hq 508th Strat Ftr Wg	30	32		28	1		2	1	83	84		75			1	5	3	
466th Strat Ftr Sq	36	31		26		1	2	2	56	72		63				8	1	
467th Strat Ftr Sq	36	32		29			1	8	56	64		57	2		1	4		
468th Strat Ftr Sq	36	33		28				5	56	75		64				8	3	
508th AEM Sq	8	6		5			1		181	178		164			2	6	6	
508th Fld Maint Sq	5	4		3				1	145	174		156				17	1	
508th Prd Maint Sq	3	3		3					62	71		54				16	1	
508th Medical Gp	17	15		13	2				73	77		73	1	1	1	1		
TOTAL 508TH WING	171	156		129	3	1	6	17	712	795		706	3	1	5	65	15	
Hq 31st Strat Ftr Wg	30	27		24			1	2	83	73		57				11	5	
307th Strat Ftr Sq	36	31		24			5	2	56	76		67				6	3	
308th Strat Ftr Sq	36	29		25			1	3	56	70		53				14	2	1
309th Strat Ftr Sq	36	30	1	28			3		56	65		51	1			10	3	
31st AEM Sq	8	5		4				1	181	172		136	1	1	1	22	11	
31st Fld Maint Sq	5	3		2			1		145	165		139	1		1	21	3	
31st Prd Maint Sq	3	1		1					62	85		68				9	7	1
31st Medical Op	35	28	2	24	1		1	4	104	123	1	111	2		1	4	6	
55lst AVN Sq	15	10		8				2	33	32		32						
TOTAL 31ST WING	204	164	3	140	1		12	14	776	861	1	714	5	1	3	97	40	2
Hq 811th AB Gp	45	38	1	31			3	5	199	265	1	236	8	1	1	14	5	1
811th Supply Sq	13	8		7				1	287	341		293	5	1	1	35	6	
811th Mtr Veh Sq	5	4		4					188	250		216	5	1	1	16	10	1
811th Air Police Sq	11	5		5					346	276		227	6	3	2	33	4	1
811th Instls Sq	6	4		3			1		204	257		213	12	2		24	2	4
811th Food Svs Sq	5	2		2					202	285		264	4		1	15		1
811th Opns Sq	20	13		11			2		259	304		255	2			32	15	
TOTAL AIR BASE GP	(105)	(74)	1	63			6	6	1685	1978	1	1704	42	8	6	169	42	6
TOTAL 40TH ADIV	490	408	4	343	4	1	26	38	3180	3641	2	3129	50	10	14	333	97	10
3944th RBS Sq	11	8	1	7				2	62	44		39				3	2	
1926-2 AACS Det	7	1		1					61	60		55				5		
26-3 Weather Det	7	5		5					15	15		15						
OSI	2	2		2														
FEL-6 Mobile Tng Det	1	1		1					18	18		18						
TOTAL DETACHMENTS	28	17	1	14				2	156	[illegible]		127	RESTRICTED			8	2	

RESTRICTED SECURITY INFORMATION RESTRICTED

UNIT	AUTH	ASGD	ATCH	PRSD	PRSD	LV	DUT	AUTH	ASGD	ATCH	PRSD	PRSD	ABSL	HR	LV	DUT	CONF
Hq 40th ADiv	10	13	1	10		2	2	7	7		7						
Hq 508th Strat Ftr Wg	30	32		24	1		7	83	80		73			1	3	3	
466th Strat Ftr Sq	36	31		26	1		4	56	72		66		1		1	4	
467th Strat Ftr Sq	36	31		28			3	56	66		55			2	6	3	
468th Strat Ftr Sq	36	33		31			2	56	75		67				2	6	
508th AMM Sq	8	5		5				181	165		148			1	9	7	
508th Fld Maint Sq	5	4		4				145	156		146	1	1		7	1	
508th Prd Maint Sq	3	3		3				62	69		64				3	2	
508th Medical Gp	17	15		14	1			73	69		66	1		1		1	
551st Avn Sq	15	11		11				33	32		29	1		1		1	
TOTAL 508TH SPW	186	165		146	3		16	745	784		714	3	2	5	31	29	
Hq 31st Strat Ftr Wg	30	28	2	25		2	3	83	74	6	75	2			1	2	
307th Strat Ftr Sq	36	30		26			4	56	65	2	57					10	
308th Strat Ftr Sq	36	28		27		1		56	68		64	1			1	1	1
309th Strat Ftr Sq	36	28	1	28			1	56	62	2	62					2	
31st AMM Sq	8	6		4	1		1	181	165		148	1		1		15	
31st Fld Maint Sq	5	3		3				145	160		154			1	3	2	
31st Prd Maint Sq	3	2		2				62	83		78	2				3	
31st Medical Gp	35	28		24			4	104	110	2	99	3			3	7	
TOTAL 31ST SPW	189	153	3	139	1	3	13	743	787	12	737	9		2	8	42	1
Hq 811th AB Gp	45	37	1	35			3	203	246	1	223	4	2	1	12	5	
811th Supply Sq	13	8		5		1	2	283	332		287	5			35	5	
811th Mtr Veh Sq	5	4		4				188	207		169	3		1	17	16	1
811th Air Police Sq	11	6	1	6		1		346	269	7	255	6		1	9	4	1
811th Instl Sq	6	3		3				204	244		214	9	1	1	13	4	2
811th Food Svc Sq	5	2		2				202	252		234	6	1	1	9		1
811th Opns Sq	20	13		11			2	259	295		254	1			24	16	
TOTAL 811th AB GP	105	73	2	66		2	7	1685	1845	8	1636	34	4	5	119	50	5
BASE TOTAL	490	404	6	361	4	7	38	3180	3423	20	3094	46	6	12	158	121	6
3944th RBS Sq	11	8		7			1	62	41		36				3	2	
1926-2 AACS Det	7	1		1				61	58		54				4		
26-3 Weather Det	7	5		5				15	14		14						
OSI	2	2		2													
FCA-10 Mobile Tng	1							18	17		17						
TOTAL DETACHMENTS	28	16		15			1	156	130		121				7	2	

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H029MX022
JESBA 012
PP JEDBO JEDMP JESDL JESHN JESKH JESTU JWFPD 777
DE JESBA 223
P 092300Z ZNJ ZEX
FM COMDRAF 2 BARKSDLE AFB LA
TO ZEN/COMDRADIV 4 BARKSDALE AFB LA
JEDMP/COMDRABSQ 4002 CAMPBELL AFB KY
JESDL/COMDRADIV 6 MACDILL AFB FLA
JESHN/COMDRADIV 38 HUNTER AFB GA
JESTU/COMDRADIV 40 TURNER AFB GA
ZEN/COMDRSTRATRECONWG 72 RAMEY AFB PR
JEDBO/COMDRADIV 801 LOCKBOURNE AFB OHIO
JESKH/COMDRADIV 806 LAKE CHARLES AFB LA
JWFPD/COMDRBMWG 340 SEDALIA AFB MO
ZEN/COMDRHQSDIV2 AF BARKSDALE AFB LA
ZEN/COMDRCOMMSQ46 BARKSDALE AFB LA
ZEN/COMDRRECTECHSQ 2 BARKSDALE AFB LA
/R E S T RI C T E D/2AFPRB1 1140. TRANSMISSION ONE OF TWO TRANSMISSIONS.
ADDEE ARE REQ TO IDENTIFY CERTAIN OFF ASG THEIR COND AS OF 31 OCT 53
WHO ARE ELEGIBLE FOR CINSIDERATION FOR PROM TO NEXT HEGHER GR. ONLY
THOSE LT COL MAJ AND CAPT INC MED SV OFF AND CH WHO HAVE BEEN SV
CONT IN SUCH GR SINCE 1 JUL 52 AND 1ST LT EXCL MED DENT AND VET WHO
HAVE BEEN SV CONT ON AD IN SUCH GR INNCE 1 JAN 53 ARE ELEGIBLE FOR
PROM CONDIERATION UNDER /1/ /2/ /3/ /4/ AND XTX BELOW-

/1/ TO- DT OF INITIAL	MIN AFCS IN GR
APPT PRIOR TO-	AND MOS AS OF DT
COL 1 APR 51 AS LT COL	12 1 JAN 53

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CO	DCO	ADJ	ASST ADJ	SGT MAJ	DIST	DIV	S-1	COMPT	S-3	S-4	LEGAL OFF	CHAP OFF	MANPOWER	PIO	AP Sq	APH	OFF CLUB	NCO CLUB	508TH WG	31ST WG	AACS	WEATHER	RBS Sq	LIB CLK	SO CLK	CLASS SEC	VISIT FILE	MED GP	DOP	DP	TM	DIV	HISTORY

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LT COL 1 APR 51-MAJ 12 1 JAN 53
MAJ 1 JUL 51 AS CAPT 12 1 JAN 53
CAPT 1 JUL 52 AS 1ST LT 6 1 JUL 53
NOTE- WHEN COMPUTING MIN AFCSASS AD IN CURR GR INCL TIME SPENT ON TEMP
LV AND ALL SHORT TOURS OF AD FOR TN W/B CREDITED.
/2/ ADE OR ANRUS OFF SV ON AD IN GR LOWER THAN THOSE HELD AS REGAF
/3/ ANGUS OFF SV ON AD IN A GR LOWER THAN THE AFRES GR THEY RESIGN
IN ORDER TO ACCEPT APMT IN ANGUES.
/4/ ALL OFF SV ON AD AS LT COL WHO FORMERLY SV ON AD IN CHO OF COL
AND WERE REDUCED FR THAT GR W/O PREJUDICE.
/5/ IN AD EXCL OF THOSE REDUCED FOR CAUSE ALL OFF WHO HOLD OR HAVE HELD
USAF-SPOT APMT IN GR OF CAPT MAJ LT COL OR COL WHEREVER CURR
ASG ARE ELIGIBLE FOR CONSIDERATION FOR USAF PROM TO THEIR CURR OF
FORMER USAF-SPOT GR
ES.
2. DT OF INITIAL APMT TO GR IN WHICH SV ON AD IS DEFINED BELOW
A. FOR NON-REG OFF- DT OF APMT IN AUS AFUS USAF AFRE
NM

A. FOR NON-REG OFF- DT OF APMT IN AUS AFUS USAF AFRES ANGUS O
REGAF

WHICHEVER IS EARLIEST DT OF APMT OF AFRES OFF WHO FORMERLY HELD
ANGUS APMT OR VICE VERSA IS THE EARLIEST DT OF APMT IF THEIR
NOBREAK IN SV.
B. FOR REGAF OFF- DT OF APMT IN AUS, AFUS USAF OR REGAF WHICHEVER
IS EARLIEST ECSL OF TERM LV PROM. NOTE- DT OF PROM TO USAF-SPOT

CO	
DCO	
ADJ	
ASST ADJ	
SGT MAJ	
DIST	
DIV	
S-1	
COMPT	
S-3	
S-4	
LEGAL OFF	
CHAP OFF	
MANPOWER	
PIO	
AP Sq	
APM	
OFF CLUB	
NCO CLUB	
508TH WG	
31ST WG	
AACS	
WEATHER	
RES Sq	
LIB CLK	
SO CLK	
CLASS SEC	
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OF OFF SUBQ PROM TO EQUIV TEMP USAF GR WILL NOT BE USED IN DETERMINING OT OF INITIAL APMT FOR CONSIDERATION FOR PROM TO NEXT HIGHER TEMP USAF GR.

3. A. ADEE WILL REPT TO THIS HQ BY PRIORITY MSG ATTN- PROM BR NLT 1 NOV 53 FOL INFO ON ALL OFF ASGD 31 OCT 53 AS OUTLINED IN PAR 1 ABOVE INC MED SV OFF AND CH-

/1/ NO OF REG AND NO OF NON-REGAF LT COL ELIGIBLE FOR PROM TO COL.
/2/ NO OF REG AND NO OF NON-REGAF MAJ ELIGIBLE FOR PROM TOLT COL.
/3/ NO OF REG AND NO OF NON-REGAF 1ST LT ELIGIBLE FOR PROM TO CAPT.
/4/ NO OF REG AND NO OF NON-REGAF CAPT ELIGIBLE FOR PROM TO MAJ.
/5/ NO OF LT COL, MED SVOFF AND CH SEP BY PERS COMP, ELIGIBLE FOR PROM OT COL.
/6/ NO OF MAJ MED SV OFF AND CH SEP BY PERS COMP ELIGIBLE FOR PORM TO LT COL
/7/ NO OF CAPT, MED SV OFF AND CH SEP BY PERS COMD ELIGIBLE FOR PROM TO MAJ.
/8/ NO OF 1ST LT MED SV OFF AND CH SEP BE PERS COMP ELIGIBLE FOR PROM TO CAPT. THIS EXCL MED DEN AND VET.

B. COMDR WILL INSURE THAT EXTREME CARE IS EXERCISED IN IDENTIFICATION OF ELIGIBLE OFF TO ELIMINATE UNJUSTIFIED CHANGES IN NO OF ELIGIBLE

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EFF ONCE REPT TO THIS HQ. ADEQUATE TIME IS ALLOWED FOR THIS PURPOSE.

4. A. ADEE ARE FURTHER REQ TO FURN ROSTERS TO INC INFO REQUREIED IN PAR 6A THRU K, BELOW TO THIS HQ NLT 4 NOV 53 IN THE FOL CAT-

/1/ OFF RSG PCS BTWN 1 JUL 53 AND 31 OCT 53 TO ZI AERL AND WATER POE WHO ARE ELIGIBLE FOR CINSIDEREATION FOR TEMP ROM TO COL LT COL MAJ ANC CAPT. SUBJ ROSTERS W/B KEPT SEP--REPEAT SEP--FROM OTHER REPT REQRUIED HEREIN.
/2/ OFF ASG IN PNT P/1 STATUS ELEGIBLE FOR CONSIDERATION FOR TEMP PROM TO COL LT/COL MAJ AND CAPT.
/3/ MED DEN VET MED SV AND CH ELIGIBLE FOR CONSIDERATION FOR TEMP PROM TO COL.
/4/ MED DEN VET MED SV NURSES AND CH ELIGILBE FOR CONSIDERATION FOR TEMP PROM TO LT COL.
/5/ MED DEN VET MED SV WMS NURSES AND CH ELIGIBLE FOR CINSIDERATION FOR TEMP PROM TO MAJ.
/6/ MED SV NURSES WMS AND CH 1ST LT ELIGIBLE FOR CONSIDERATION FOR TEMP PROM TO CAPT.

B. ALL ROSTERS W/B PREP IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER CONSILIDATED AT HQ OR DIV LEVEL REG AND NON-REG COMBINED. SEP ROSTERS ARE REQUIRED

CO	DCO	ADJ	ASST ADJ	SGT MAJ	DIST	DIV	S-1	COMPT	S-3	S-4	LEGAL OFF	CHAP OFF	MANPOWER	PIO	AP Sq	APM	OFF CLUB	MCO CLUB	508TH WG	31ST WG	AACS	WEATHER	RBS Sq	LIB CLK	SO CLK	CLASS SEC	VISIT FILE	MED GP	DOP	DP	IN	DIV	HISTORY

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FOR EA PERS COMP. ROSTERS U/B SBM IN 5 LEGIVLE CYS CERTIFIED CORRECT BY UC OR DIV COMDRS.
C. EXTREME CARE-REPEAT EXTREME CARE-U/B EXERCISED TO INSURE ALL ELIGIBLE MED SV OFF ANC DN ARE REPT AND TO PREVENT MED OFF BEING REPT AS DEN OFF ETC. SUCH ERRORS RESUTL IN UNNEC ADMIN BURDEN TO AGENCIES OF THIS HQ.
5. ROSTERS OF ELIGIVLE OFFS U/B SUBMITTED IN 5 LEGIBLE CYS TO THIS HQ ATTN- PROM BR BY HOURS AND DTS INDICATED-
CAPT, ELIGIBLE FOR MAJ NLT 0800 HRS 3 NOV 53
MAJ AND LT COL ELIGLBLE FOR
LT COL AND COL RESPECTIVELY NLT 0800 HRS 9 NOV 53
1ST LT ELIGIBLE FOR CAPT NLT 0800 HRS 16 NOV 53
6. EA ROSTER WILL REFLECT THE FOLL ITEMS FOR EA ELIGIBLE OFF-
A. LAST NAME FIRST NAME MIDELE INITAL.
B. AFSN.
C. CURRENT AD GRADE.
D. DT OF RANK IN CURRENT AD GRAD
E. PERM GRADE (BOTH REG AND RES OFF)
F. DT OF PERM GRADE.
&. TAF SCD.
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CO	DCO	ADJ	ASST ADJ	SGT MAJ	DIST	DIV	S-1	COMPT	S-3	S-4	LEGAL OFF	CHAP OFF	CANPOWER	PIO	AP S4	APM	OFF CLUB	NCO CLUB	508TH WG	21ST WG	LACS	WEATHER	RES S4	LIB CLK	SO CLK	CLASS SEC	VISIT FILE	MED GP	DOP	OP	TM	DIV	HISTORY					

JESTU 13
HØ32
WWXØ24
JESBA Ø13
PP JEDBO JEDMP JESDL JESHN JESKH JESTU JWFPD 777
DE JESBA 224
P Ø923ØØZ ZNJ ZEX
FM COMDRAF 2 BARKSDALE AFB LA
TO ZEN/COMDRADIV 4 BARKSDALE AFB LA
JEDMP/.MCOMDRABSQ 4ØØ2 CAMPDELL AFB KY
JESDL/COMDRADIV 6 MACDILL AFB FLA
JESHN/COMDRADIV 38 HUNTER AFB GA
JESTU/COMDRADIV 40 TURNER AFB GA
ZEN/COMDRSTAATRECONWG 72 RAMEY AFB PR
JEDBO/COMDRADIV 801 LOCCKBOURNE AFB OHIO
JESKH/COMDRAEDIV 806 LAKE CHARLES AFB LA
JWFPD/COMDRBMMG 340 SEDALIA AFB MO
ZEN/COMDRHQSQDIV 2 AF BARKSDALE AFB LA
ZEN/COMDRCOMSQ 46 BARKSDALE AFB LA
ZEN/COMDRRECTECHSQ 2 BARKSDALE AFB LA
/R E S T R I C T E D/2AFPRD1 1140. FINAL XMSN OF TWO XMSNS.
H. AERONAUTICAL RATING.
I. FLYING STATUS.
J. YEAR OF BIRTH.
K. DUTY AFSC.
7. PHOTOSTAT SYX OF ORG 66 ON ALL ELIGIBLE OFF W/B PREP AND FWDD W/RESPECTIVE ROSTERS. INFO ON ROSTERS MUST AGREE WITH THAT ON PHOTOSTAT 66. EXTREME ACCURACY IS MANDATORY.
8. ALL UNITS WILL REPT BY PRIORITY MSG GAINS AND LOSSES OF ELIGIBLE OFFS FOR PD 1Ø OCT 53. - 31 OCT 53 INCLUSIVE. REPT WILL INCLUDE NAME

CO	DCO	ADJ	ASST ADJ	SQT MAJ	DIST	DIV	S-1	COMPT	S-3	S-4	LEGAL OFF	CHAP OFF	INSPECTOR	PIO	AP Sq	APM	OFF CLUB	NCO CLUB	308TH WG	31ST WG	IAGS	WEATHER	RES Sq	LIB CLK	SO CLK	CLASS SEC	VISIT FILE	MED GP	DOK	DP	TN	DIV	HISTORY

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RANK AFSN REASGMT AUTH EDCSA UNIT OF ASTMT OR ASGD FR AND NEW
ORGN TO WHICH ASGD.
9 INSTRS PERTAINING TO PRIORITY LISTINGS BY COMDRS W/B FWDD
UPON REC OF FURTHER INSTRS. PLANS SHOULD BE IMPLEMENTED BY COMDR TO
PERMIT EXPEDITIOUS PREPARATION OF PRIORITY SELECTION RSTERS UPON
REC OF INSTRS.
10. ANNUAL REPTS DUE ON 1ST LTS AS OF 3 OCT 53 RE-2AFPRB1 0196 2 OCT
53 WB FWDD SO AS TO ARRIVE THIS HQ NLT 10 NOV 53. THIS IS MANDATORY
TO PERMIT CURRENT ERS TO BE CONSIDERED BY SELCETION BDS.
11. REF MYMSG 0967, 2 OCT 53 COMD PERS RECDS CLOSED FOR EVIEW.
THERE W/B NO REVIEW REPEAT NO REVIEW OF COMD PERS RECDS UNTIL
FURTHER NOTICE.
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CO	DCO	ADJ	ASST ADJ	SGT MAJ	DIST	DIV	S-1	COMPT	S-3	S-4	LEGAL OFF	CHAP OFF	...POWER	PIO	AP S4	APM	OFF CLUB	NCO CLUB	508TH WG	31ST WG	AACS	WEATHER	RBS S4	LIB CLK	SO CLK	CLASS SEC	VISIT FILE	MED GP	DOP	DP	IM	DIV	HISTORY

HEADQUARTERS 40TH AIR DIVISION
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

BP 210.21 13 October 1953

SUBJECT: Eligibility of Officers for Promotion

TO: See Distribution

1. The attached message (See Incl #1) from Headquarters Second Air Force, 2AFPRB1 1140, dated 9 Oct 53, is disseminated for information and necessary action.

2. Reports required by paragraph 3, 4 and 6 will be prepared in accordance with the attached format (See Incl #2) and forwarded to this Headquarters, ATTN: Base Personnel Officer, as soon as possible, but not later than 1000 hours, 23 October 1953. Photostats of Form 66s as called for in paragraph 7, cited message will be forwarded with respective rosters. A statement as follows will accompany subject rosters, and will personally be signed by the appropriate Wing and/or Air Base Group unit commander: "I certify that the records of all officers in this organization have been screened to determine the eligibility for temporary promotion under provisions of message 2AFPRB1 1140, dated 9 Oct 53; and that this report is true and correct."

3. Annual reports on first lieutenants (31 Oct 53) will be forwarded to arrive this Headquarters, ATTN: Base Personnel Officer, not later than 23 Oct 53 for 811th Air Base Group officers, and 27 October 1953 for both wings. This message cancels letter, 40th Air Division, File Number 201.61, Subject: Annual USAF Officer Effectiveness Reports - First Lieutenants, dated 9 October 1953.

4. Plans should be implemented by commanders concerned to permit expeditious preparation of priority selection rosters upon receipt of instructions from Second Air Force.

5. Extreme care will be exercised in the identification and reporting of all eligible officers for promotion to eliminate unjustified changes once report is submitted to higher headquarters.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMANDER:

Edmond L. Fortin

EDMOND L. FORTIN
Major, USAF
Adjutant

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1-Msg 2AFPRB1 1140
2-Format #I
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Comdr, 31st Strat Ftr Wg
Comdr, All units atchd & asgd
811th ABGp

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2. Date of initial appointment to grade in which serving on active duty is defined below.

a. For non-regular officers - date of appointment in Army United States, Air Force United States, United States Air Force, Air Force Reserve, Air National Guard of the US officers, Reserve Air Force, whichever is earliest date of appointment of Air Force Reserve officers who formerly held Air National Guard US appointment or vice versa is the earliest date of appointment if there is no break in service.

b. For regular Air Force officers - date of appointment in AUS, AFUS, USAF or Reg AF whichever is earliest, exclusive of terminal leave promotion. NOTE: Date of promotion to USAF - Spot of officer subsequently promoted to equivilant temporary USAF grade will not be used in determining date of initial appointment for consideration for promotion to next higher temporary USAF grade.

3. a. Addressee will report to this headquarters by priority message, Attention Promotion branch, not later than 1 November 1953, following information on all officers assigned 31 October 1953 as outlined in par 1 above, including medical services officers and chaplains.

(1) Number of Reg and number of non-reg AF Lt Col eligible for promotion to Col.

(2) Number of Reg and number of non-reg AF Major eligible for promotion to Lt Col.

(3) Number of Reg and number of non-reg AF 1st Lt eligible for promotion to Capt.

(4) Number of Reg and number of non-reg AF Capt eligible for promotion to Major.

(5) Number of Lt Col, Med Sv Off and Ch separate by personnel component, elibibl for promotion to Colonel.

(6) Number of Major, Med Sv Off and Ch separate by personnel component eligible for promotion to Lt Colonel.

(7) Number of Captain, Med Sv Off and Ch separate by personnel component eligible for promotion to Major.

(8) Number of 1st Lt, Med Sv Off and Ch separate by personnel component eligible for promotion to Captain. This exclusive of Med, Den and Vet.

b. Commander will insure that extreme care is exercised in indentification of eligible officers to eliminate unjustified changes in number of eligible officers once reported to this headquarters. Adequate time is allowed for this purpose.

4. a. Addressees are further required to furnish rosters to include information required in paragraph 6A thru K, below to this Hq NLT 4 Nov 53 in the following category:

(1) Officers reassigned PCS between 1 Jul 53 and 31 Oct 53 to zone of interior aerial and water ports of embarkation, who are eligible for consideration for temporary promotion to Colonel, Lt Colonel, Major and Captains. Subject rosters will be kept separate - repeat separate from other reports required herein.

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(1) TO:	DT OF INITIAL APMT PRIOR	MIN AFSC IN GR AND MOS AS OF - DT	
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Lt Col	1 Apr 51 as Major	12	1 Jan 53
Major	1 Jul 51 as Captain	12	1 Jan 53
Captain	1 Jul 52 as 1st Lt	6	1 Jul 53

NOTE: When computing minimum AFCS as active duty in current grade including time spent on terminal leave and all short tours of AD for training will be credited.

(2) Air Force Reserve or Air National Guard of the United States, officer serving on active duty in grade lower than those held as reserve Air Force.

(3) Air National Guard of the US officers serving on active duty in a grade lower than the Air Force Reserve grade they resigned in order to accept appointment in ANGUS.

(4) All officers serving on active duty as Lt Col who formerly served on active duty in grade of colonel and were reduced from that grade without prejudice.

(5) In active duty exclusive of those reduced for cause all officers who hold or have held USAF-Spot appointment in grade of Captain, Major, Lt Col or Colonel wherever current assigned are eligible for consideration for USAF promotion to their current or former USAF - spot grades.

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(2) Officer assigned in patient pipeline status eligible for consideration for temporary promotion to Colonel and Lt Colonel, Major and Captain.

(3) Medical, Dental and Veterinary, Medical Services and Chaplains eligible for consideration for temporary promotion to Colonel.

(4) Medical, Dental and Veterinary, Medical Services, Nurses and Chaplains eligible for consideration for temporary promotion to Lt Colonel.

(5) Medical, Dental, Veterinary, Medical Services, Women Medical specialist corps Nurses and Chaplains eligible for consideration for temporary promotion to Major.

(6) Medical Services, Nurses, Women Medical specialist corps and Chaplains, 1st Lt eligible for consideration for temporary promotion to Captain.

b. All rosters will be prepared in alphabetical order, consolidated at Wing or Division level, regular and non-regular combined. Separate rosters are required for each personnel component. Rosters will be submitted in five (5) legible copies, certified correct by Wing or Division Commanders.

c. Extreme care - repeat extreme care will be exercised to insure all eligible medical services officers and chaplains are reported and to prevent medical officers being reported as dental officers, etc. Such errors result in unnecessary administrative burden to agencies of this headquarters.

5. Rosters of eligible officers will be submitted in 5 legible copies to this Headquarters Attention: Promotion Branch by hours and dates indicated.

Captain eligible for Major ---------- NLT 0800 hours 3 November 1953
Major and Lt Col eligible for
Lt Col and Col respectively---------- NLT 0800 hours 9 November 1953
1st Lt eligible for Captain ---------- NLT 0800 hours 16 November 1953

6. Each roster will reflect the following items for each eligible officer:

a. Last name, first name, middle initial.

b. AFSN.

c. Current active duty grade.

d. Date of rank in current active duty grade.

e. Permanent grade (both reg and res off)

f. Date of permanent grade.

g. TAFCSD

h. Aeronautical rating.

i. Flying status.

j. Year of birth.

k. Duty AFSC.

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7. Photostat copy of original 66 on all eligible officers will be prepared and forwarded w/respective rosters. Information on rosters must agree with that on photostat 66. Extreme accuracy is mandatory.

8. All units will report by priority message gains and losses of eligible officers for period 10 October 1953 - 31 October 1953 inclusive. Report will include name, rank, AFSN, reassignment authority, EDCSA, unit of asgmt or asgd from new orgn to which asgd.

9. Instructions pertaining to priority listings by commanders will be forwarded upon receipt of further instructions. Plans should be implemented by commander to permit expeditious preparation of priority selection rosters upon receipt of instructions.

10. Annual reports due on 1st Lt as of 3 October 1953 re-2AFPRB1 0196 2 October 1953 will be forwarded so as to arrive this Headquarters NLT 10 Nov 53. This is mandatory to permit current ER's to be considered by selection boards.

11. Reference my message 0967, 2 October 1953 command personnel records closed for review. There will no review repeat no review of command personnel records until further notice."

(Unit) (Date)

Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

PROMOTION OF OFFICERS

Eligible Roster I

As of: 31 Oct 53

COLUMN ENTRIES

1. No. of Reg and non-reg AF Lt Col eligible for prom to Col
2. No. of Reg and non-reg AF Major elig for prom to Lt Col
3. No. of Reg and non-reg AF 1st Lt elig for prom to Capt
4. No. of reg and non-reg AF Capt elig for prom to Maj
5. No. of Lt Col, Med Sv Off & Ch separate by Pers Comp Elig for Col
6. No. of Maj, Med Sv Off & Ch separate by Pers Comp elig for Lt Col
7. No. of Capt, Med Sv Off & Ch separate by Pers Comp elig for Maj
8. No. of 1/Lt, Med Sv Off & Ch separate by Pers Comp elig for Capt (Exclude Medical, Dental and Veterinary)

1		2		3		4		5		6		7		8	
Reg	Non-reg	Reg	Non-reg	Reg	Non-Reg	Reg	Non-Reg	Med Sv Off	Chaplains	Med Sv Off	Chaplains	Med Sv Off	Chaplains	MedSvOff	Ch

NOTE: Roster will be submitted to Base Personnel Officer in five (5) legible copies, certified by the Wing Commander or the Unit Commanders of the 811th Air Base Group Squadrons in accordance with paragraph 3a, Message 2AFPRB1, 1140, dated 9 Oct 53

(Unit) (Date)

Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

PROMOTION OF OFFICERS
Eligible Roster II
As of: 31 Oct 53

COLUMN ENTRIES

A. Name (Last, first & initial).
B. Air Force Service Number.
C. Current Active Duty Grade.
D. Date of Rank in current Active Duty Grade.
E. Permanent Grade (Reg and res off).
F. Date of permanent grade.
G. Total active federal commission service date.
H. Aeronautical rating.
I. Flying status.
J. Year of Birth.
K. Duty Air Force Specialty Code.

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K

NOTE: Roster will be submitted to the Base Personnel Officer in five (5) legible copies certified by the Wing Commander or the Unit Commander of 811th Air Base Group Squadrons in accordance with par 4a and 5, Msg 2AFPRB1, 1140, 9 Oct 53

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HEADQUARTERS
SECOND AIR FORCE
Barksdale Air Force Base, La.

2AFPRB 210.2

SUBJECT: Fiscal Year 1954 Temporary Promotion Program

TO: See Distribution

1. Reference 2AFPRB 1140, dated 9 October 1953, the following additional information is furnished for information and compliance.

2. Division or Wing Commanders will place eligible officers in one of the following categories:

a. CATEGORY "A" — EXCEPTIONALLY WELL QUALIFIED FOR PROMOTION - Those officers who have demonstrated exceptional performance of duty and unlimited growth potential warranting special consideration for promotion in advance of their contemporaries. (NOTE: The terminology, "Exceptionally Well Qualified", will not be construed to limit recommendation in this category to officers who have received Effectiveness Reports in the outstanding category.)

b. CATEGORY "B" — QUALIFIED BEYOND DOUBT - Those officers who have demonstrated professional capability of assuming the responsibility and duties of the next higher grade who should receive equal consideration for promotion with their contemporaries.

c. CATEGORY "C" — NOT YET QUALIFIED - Those officers who have not yet achieved the professional capability to assume the duties and responsibility of the next higher grade, but who with further training and experience in grade have the necessary growth potential to eventually qualify for promotion. Whenever a reasonable doubt of the officer's qualification exists, he will be placed in this category.

d. CATEGORY "D" — NOT RECOMMENDED FOR CAUSE - Those officers who are considered not qualified for promotion due to substandard performance of duty, traits of character, personal integrity and/or misconduct. To include those officers who have demonstrated a continued lack of potential for advancement. In addition, officers currently under investigation or being administratively processed under derogatory circumstances, will be placed in this category.

e. CATEGORY "E" — UNKNOWN - Those officers, who due to recent assignment (normally less than 60 days) or other valid reason, cannot be placed in one of the preceding categories by the commander concerned.

3. Additional action required by the Commander:

a. For each officer placed in the "Not Recommended for Canse" category, the commander will prepare and personally sign a statement to include at least all of the following.

(1) Name, grade and AFSN.

(2) Specific reason for not recommending officer.

4. a. Commanders are not limited in the number of officers that may be designated as "EWQ". However, only a small percentage of any group should be considered as exceptionally well qualified for promotion. Due to the fact that selection boards will be limited in the number of officers selected in the exceptional category, indiscriminate recommendations by commanders will require the board to deny a larger percentage of the commanders' "Exceptional" recommendations.

b. For guidance of the commanders, it is estimated that the percentage of the eligibles which may be finally selected by the promotion board as exceptionally well qualified will vary between 4 percent and 10 percent, depending on the grade concerned.

5. Rosters required by above cited message will be consolidated at Wing or Division level alphabetically in the above categories. No priority within category will be designated. In addition, information on rosters concerning flying status (Item "h & i") will be shown by ratings and followed by codes. Reference SAC Manual 171-1, Chapter 1, pages 1, 8, and 9; i.e. Sr Pilot - B, Yes - 1. In addition to columns "A" through "K" required by paragraph 6, 2AFPRB 1140, column "L" will be added to indicate priority selection, i.e. "A", "B", "C", "D", or "E".

6. Statements by commanders are not required for Categories "A", "B", "C", and "E".

7. Rosters will be typed, double spaced and submitted in five copies by letter of transmittal. Commanders will personally sign letters of transmittal and indicate information contained on rosters has been verified and is in agreement with photostat 6cs attached. Separate rosters will be submitted for each grade and are due at this Headquarters not later than following:

Eligible Captains	- 0800, 3 November 1953
Eligible Majors and Lt Colonels	- 0800, 9 November 1953
Eligible First Lieutenants	- 0800, 16 November 1953

Earlier submission is encouraged if possible to allow maximum time to prepare command personnel records for selection boards.

8. Loss and gains reported to this Headquarters required by paragraph 8, above cited message will be reported daily as loss and gains occur and not as cumulative reports. This action is necessary to insure command personnel records are available on newly assigned and reassigned officers.

9. Command rosters by category will be classified Confidential.

2AFFRB 210.2, Subj: Fiscal Year 1954 Temporary Promotion Program

10. Request acknowledgement of receipt by priority message within 24 hours.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMANDER:

RICHARD E. STAUFFER
CWO USAF
Asst Adjutant

1 Incl
Msg 2AFFRB 1140,
dtd 9 Oct 53

DISTRIBUTION "B":

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COMDRADIV 40 TURNER AFB GA

COMDRSTRATRECONWG 72 RAMEY AFB PR

COMDRADIV 801 LOCKBOURNE AFB OHIO

COMDRADIV 806 LAKE CHARLES AFB LA

COMDRBMWG 340 SEDALIA AFB MO

COMDRHQSQDIV 2 AF BARKSDALE AFB LA(COURIER)

COMDRCOMMSQ 46 BARKSDALE AFB LA(COURIER)

COMDRELECTECHSQ 2 BARKSDALE AFB LA(COURIER)

FROM: 2AFPRB1 1140

Adcs are req to identify certain off asg their comd as of 31 Oct 53, who are eligible for consideration for prom to next higher gr. Only those Lt Col, Maj, and Capt, inc med sv off and ch, who have been sv cont in such gr since 1 Jul 52, and 1st Lt, excl med dent, and vet, who have been sv cont on AD in such gr since 1 Jan 53, are eligible for prom consideration under (1), (2), (3), (4), and (5) below:

(1) To:	Dt of Initial Apmt prior to:	Min AFCS in Gr and mos as of dt	
Col	1 Apr 51 as Lt Col	12	1 Jan 53
Lt Col	1 Apr 51 as Maj	12	1 Jan 53
Maj	1 Jul 51 as Capt	12	1 Jan 53
Capt	1 Jul 52 as 1st Lt	6	1 Jul 53

Note: When computing min AFCS, all AD in curr gr, incl time spent on term lv and all short tours of AD for trng, w/b credited.

(2) AFR or ANGUS Off on AD in gr lower than those held as RegAF.

(3) ANGUS off sv on AD in a gr lower than the AFRes gr they resign in order to accept apmt in ANGUS.

(4) All off sv on AD as Lt Col who formerly sv on AD in gr of Col and were reduced fr that gr w/o prejudice.

(5) In AD, excl of those reduced for cause, all off who held or have held USAF-SPOT apmt in gr of Capt, Maj, Lt Col, or Col, wherever curr asgd, are eligible for consideration for USAF prom to their curr or former USAF-SPOT grades.

2. Dt of initial apmt to gr in which sv on AD is defined below:

A. For non-reg off; Dt of apmt in AUS, AFUS, USAF, AFRes, or RegAF, ANGUS, whichever is earliest; Dt of apmt of AFRes off who formerly held ANGUS apmt, or vice versa, is the earliest dt of apmt if there is no break in sv.

B. For RegAF Off: Dt of apmt in AUS, AFUS, USAF, or RegAF, whichever is earliest, excl of term lv prom. Note: Dt of prom to USAF-SPOT gr of off subq prom to equiv temp USAF gr, will not be used in determining dt of initial apmt for consideration for prom to next higher gr.

3. A. Adcs will rept to this hq, by priority msg, Attn: Prom Br, NLT 1 Nov 53, fol info on all off asgd 31 Oct 53 as outlined in par 1 above, incl Med sv off and ch:

(1) No of reg and of non-RegAF Lt Col eligible for prom to Col.

(2) No of reg and no of non-RegAF Maj eligible for prom to Lt Col.

(3) No of reg and no of non-RegAF 1st Lt eligible for prom to Capt.

(4) No of Reg and no of non-RegAF Capt elibible for prom to Maj.

(5) No of Lt Col, med sv off and ch sep by pers comp, eligible for prom to Col.

(6) No of Maj, med sv off and ch sep by pers comp, elig for prom to Lt Col.

(7) No of Capt, med sv off and ch by pers comp, elig for prom to Maj.

(8) No of 1st Lt, med sv off and ch sep by pers comp, elig for prom to Capt. This excl med, dem, and vet.

3. Comdr will insure that extreme care is exercised in identification of eligible off to eliminate unjustified changes in no of elig off once rept to this hq. Adequate time is allowed for this purpose.

4. A. Adcs are further req to furn rosters to inc info required in Par 6A thru K, below, to this hq NLT 4 Nov 53, in the fol cat:

(1) Off rsg PCS between 1 Jul 53 and 31 Oct 53 to XI Aerl and water POE, who are elig for consideration for temp prom to Col, Lt Col, Maj and Capt. Subj rosters w/b kept sep -- rept sep -- from other rept required herein.

(2) Off asgd in pnt P/L status elig for consideration for temp prom to Col, Lt Col, Maj and Capt.

(3) Med, Dem, Vet, Med sv and Ch elig for consideration for temp prom to Col.

(4) Med, Dem, Vet, Med sv, nurses and Ch elig for consideration for temp prom to Lt Col.

(5) Med, Dem, Vet, Med Sv, Wms, Nurses, and Ch elig for consideration for temp prom to Maj.

(6) Med Sv, Nurses, Wms, and Ch elig for consideration for temp prom to Capt.

B. All rosters w/b prep in alphabetical order, consolidated at wg or div level, reg and non-reg combined. Sep rosters are required for ea pers comp. Rosters w/b shm in 5 legible cys, certified correct by wg or div comdrs.

C. Extreme care - repeat extreme care - w/b exercised to insure all elig Med sv off and Ch are rept and to prevent Med off being rept as Den Off, etc. Such errors result in unnec burden to agencies of this hqs.

5. Rosters of elig offs w/b submitted in 5 legible cys to this hqs, Attn: Prom Br, by hrs and dts indicated:

Capt eligible for Maj	NLT 0800 hrs, 3 Nov 53
Maj and Lt Col eligble for Lt Col and Col, respectively	NLT 0800 hrs, 9 Nov 53
1st Lt eligible for Capt	NLT 0800 hrs, 16 Nov 53

6. Ea roster will reflect the fol items for ea eligible off:

A. Last name, first name, middle initial.

B. AFSN

C. Current AD Grade.

D. Dt of rank in current grade.

E. Perm grade (Both reg and res off).

F. Date of perm grade.

G. TAFCSD.

H. Aeronautical rating.

I. Flying status.

J. Year of birth.

K. Duty AFSC.

7. Photostat cys of org 66 on all eligible off w/b prep and fwdd w/respective rosters. Info on rosters must agree with that on photostat 66. Extreme

accuracy is mandatory.

8. All units will rept by priority msg gains and losses of eligible [illegible] for pd 10 Oct 53 to 31 Oct inclusive. Rept will include name, rank, AFSN, reason auth, EDCSA, unit of asgmt, or asgd fr and new orgn to which asgd.

9. Instrs pertaining to priority listing by comdrs w/b fwdd upon rec of further instrs. Plans should be implemented by comdrs to permit expeditious preparation of priority selection rosters upon rec of instrs.

10. Annual repts due on 1st Lts as of 31 Oct 53 Re: 2AFPRH1 0196, 2 Oct 53, w/b fwdd so as to arrive this hqs NLT 10 Nov 53. This is mandatory to permit current ERs to be considered by selection Bds.

11. Ref mymsg 0967, 2 Oct 53, comd pers rods closed for review. There w/b no review -- repeat no review -- of comd pers rods until further notice.

MAJ LOUGH 9 Oct 53 1430 RESTRICTED

2AFPRH1/jo 509

R. E. STAUFFER
CWO, USAF
Asst Adjutant

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HEADQUARTERS 811TH AIR BASE GROUP
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

BPGS 729.3 1 November 1953

SUBJECT: Ground Accident Report for October 1953

TO: See Distribution

1. Reportable injuries for the months of October and September were:

	October 1953			September 1953		
	Injuries No	*Rate	Days Lost	Injuries No	Rate	Days Lost
TAFB	4	3.27	20	5	3.94	41
31st SF Wg	0	0.00	0	2	6.39	27
508th SF Wg	1	3.40	4	1	3.55	4
811th AB Gp	3	4.31	16	2	3.30	10

*-Rate is number of injuries per 100,000 man days.

2. The percentage of injuries should be below the percentage of assigned strength. Comparisons are:

% of Military Injuries	Unit	% of Assigned Strength
0.00	31st SF Wing	25.14
25.00	508th SF Wing	23.97
75.00	811th AB Group	50.89

3. Types of Injuries for October were:

	Mtr Veh	Sports	Recreation	Dining Hall	Totals
31st SF Wing	0	0	0	0	0
508th SF Wing	0	0	0	1	1
811th AB Group	1	1	1	0	3
Totals	1	1	1	1	4

4. There were no reportable civilian injuries. There were five (5) non-disabling civilian injuries. These were distributed: 31st SF Wing (F.M. Sq) 1, 508th SF Wing (Hq) 1, 811th AB Group (AIO, Hq Sq, M.V. Sq) 3. This is far too many and shows a definite letdown. If not remedied, it forecasts a serious injury.

5. Non-disabling injuries to Military personnel were:

	On Duty	Off Duty	Totals
31st SF Wing	5	1	6
508th SF Wing	3	0	3
811th AB Group	7	13	20
Totals	15	14	29

Many of the non-disabling injuries are not being reported. This is a squadron responsibility. It is important to have complete records for comparison, among other reasons. The Wing Squadrons seem to be poor reporters of non-disabling injuries.

6. Government Vehicle Accidents:

Two were reportable. There were no non-reportables in this class. In one accident, there was no damage to the government vehicle but about $100. damage to the private vehicle. The Claims Officer was given the facts. In the other accident, the driver of the government vehicle (only vehicle damaged) was clearly at fault. He paid the $96. cost of damage. The rate for the month (number of accidents per 100,000 miles travelled) is 1.62. The rate to date for 1953 is 0.74. This is much higher than the 0.53 rate for the same time in 1952.

7. Accident trends to date for 1953 are: (1) Motor Vehicle (2) Base Maintenance (3) Domestic and recreation, tied.

8. Report of Sowega International Sports Car Races: On the day of the race, one very minor injury, non-disabling, to a civilian non-USAF person was treated. There was one minor private vehicle accident with slight damage, when a City of Albany policeman on a motorcycle hit the side of a car at gate 15.

9. Correction to September report: Turner finished fourth in the SAC "Safe Wheels" competition instead of seventh, as previously reported.

10. The "Supervisor's Safety Management", Course #5 starts Monday 23 November at building # 2001, Base Training Flight. An announcement letter will be published.

11. Costs per capita (per man per month) for October 1953 based on total assigned strength, civilian and military, are:

	Cost of Accidents	Cost per capita/mo
31st Strat Ftr Wg	$49.	$0.05
506th Strat Ftr Wg	$148.	$0.16
811th Air Base Gp	$827.	$0.37
Totals, TAFB	$1,024.	$0.24

Per Capita per month for the first ten months of 1953 is $2.96. For the first time this year it is under that of Second Air Force.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

Edmond I. Fortin

EDMOND I. FORTIN
Major USAF
Adjutant

DISTRIBUTION:
Cmdr, 31st Strat Ftr Wg
Cmdr, 506th Strat Ftr Wg
Cmdr, All Asgd & Atchd Units,
811th AB Gp, TAFB, Ga.

GROUND SAFETY BRIEF

Work Safely
Play Safely

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Turner Air Force Base, Georgia

GREEN CROSS FOR SAFETY

A MONTHLY NEWS LETTER PUBLISHED BY THE BASE GROUND SAFETY OFFICE

LET US TAKE STOCK

1953 is drawing to a close. Let us see just where we stand on Ground Safety.

The record for "Safe Wheels' 53" was a good one. It was marred by the irresponsible driving of a few individuals. Such continues to be the case. Each month a few individuals are clocked at 80 MPH or better on US Hy 82. It is straight and level. It is known locally as the "Race Track". A few Turner Airmen have contributed much to that name. Driving such as this can only result in fatalities. There is entirely too much traffic entering and leaving this road for such fast driving.

The record for drinking driving arrests has improved somewhat during September and October. From five to twelve Turner persons are arrested and fined each month for this offense. This is one offense that should never be committed by an Air Force driver. If the state law were rigidly enforced, every conviction (and this includes bond-forfeitures) would result in a driver license revocation.

Some still work under suspended loads; some still cut their fingers in slicing machines; some still act like small children and receive injuries due to horseplay; some units do not keep their premises clean.

The Ground Accident record, so far in 1953, has been a good one. But - if the relatively few individuals that do not conform could be brought into line, this Air Force Base would be tops in the field. Cooperation is requested by all, but especially by Squadron Commanders, Officers, and Senior Non-Commissioned Officers. Our slogan may well be - "Turner first in Ground Safety".

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This is something that isn't so funny;
To have too much month at the end of the money.

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CAUSE AND CURE

He was slicing cheese on the electric slicer. He held the cheese in his left hand instead of using the holder. Someone distracted his attention. He let his little finger fall behind the guard. The tip was cut off. Lost time, 4 days - Cure - Use holder; concentrate on the job in hand.

Both cars were behind a slow driver. Both started to pull out to pass about the same time. Neither signalled. One was a government vehicle. He sideswiped the private vehicle. Result: One claim against the government. Cure: Be sure you're clear and signal before pulling out to pass.

He was playing basketball in high-top shoes. After a jump he landed on the side of his foot. Result, sprain and chip fracture. Lost time, 7 days. Cure: Use basketball shoes. Practice keeping on the feet during the maneuvers of the game.

Both were cutting grass with sickle-bars. They cut towards each other near each other. They hit each other. Result: $45. damage to the tractor torque housing tube on each vehicle. Cure: When cutting near each other, grass cutters should follow in echelon. Never cut towards each other.

He was playing tag in the dark with a playmate (both aged 19). He ran into the coal pile, hurt his stomach muscles. Lost time 4 days. Cure: Cut out the horseplay.

He was driving a 1 1/2 T truck, following a car at about 25 ft. at 20 MPH. A car cut suddenly in front of the car in front. The government driver turned sharply to the left toward the dock of Supply Unit #1 and tried to brake. His foot missed the brake. He yanked the hand brake and hit the dock. Repair cost to vehicle, $96. Cure: The driver was apparently not qualified to drive. Better training of drivers; don't follow too closely.

The Airman was coming down Sylvester Road at dusk. Another car turned out suddenly in front of him. The other car didn't see the motorcyclist. This is possible at dusk, even for a good driver. The motorcycle hit the car in the rear. Result: $300. damage, five days lost time for the motorcyclist. Cure: Defensive driving by both parties, especially at dusk. Even though lights are on, vehicles are difficult to distinguish.

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A gossip is a person with a keen sense of rumor.

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SAFETY SAM SEZ:

Most people seek recognition. The lowliest perform foolish acts so as to attract attention. To them the acts are daring.

Driving in thick traffic is a complicated affair. It takes a better than average man to avoid accident.

Drinking dulls judgement. Do you call drinking high, exciting living? Look at the swine.

Yours for Safety,
Sam

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HEADQUARTERS
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE GROUND SAFETY COUNCIL

1. Under the provisions of AF Manual 32-3a, dated December 1950, the Executive Ground Safety Council convened for a regular meeting in the Conference Room, Base Headquarters, at 1530 hours, 5 November 1953.

a. Members Present:

It Col Leeford Bearskin	Deputy Base Commander
It Col Armon C. Guthrie	Base Materiel Officer
It Col Oliver R. Seaman	Base Surgeon
Maj Carl H. Neiswender	Commander Motor Vehicle Squadron
Maj William F. Kahley	Base Operations Training Officer
Maj Robert I. DeWitt	Base Installations Officer
Capt John E. Schnell	Base Personnel Officer
Capt J.W. Henderson	Base Provost Marshal
Capt John Ia Re	Headquarters, 508th Strategic Fighter Wing
1st It Louis V. Didonato	Base Legal Officer
Mr. George F. Johnston	Civilian Personnel Officer
Mr. Samuel Z. Orgel	Ground Safety Officer

b. Members Absent:

Maj Charlie R. Chastain	Headquarters, 31st Strategic Fighter Wing, TDY.

c. The minutes of the previous meeting were read.

2. Unfinished Business:

a. Reference par 2b, minutes of 7 Oct 53, the Installations Officer, Maj Robert I. DeWitt reported on the survey he had had made of the aluminum ladder and porch installations. The survey indicated that on the whole the contractor complied with the requirements of the contract and that the ladders and porches are adequate for the purpose intended. This purpose is to provide emergency exit in case of fire. There are minor corrections needed on some of the buildings. These will be made by BIO.

b. The Scroll for excellence in Ground Safety performance for September was presented to the Headquarters Squadron, 508th Strategic Fighter Wing.

3. Report of the Ground Safety Department:

a. Four injuries with 20 days lost time, M/R of 3.27 and 0.00 rate for C/R were noted. This is the third successive month showing a downward trend in military injuries. Corrective action recommended in each case was approved by the council.

b. The facts of two government vehicle accidents were explained and corrective action noted. It was stated as policy by Lt Col Lenford Bearskin, Deputy Base Commander, that where wilful or gross neglect is shown by the driver, the driver will be required to pay for the damage he has caused; that drivers of military vehicles should be advised of this policy and cautioned to drive safely.

c. Trend and analysis charts were shown to the Council and comparisons were made with Second Air Force and SAC rates and costs.

d. Injury Distribution for October 1953.

	Mtr Veh	Sports	Dining Hall	Recreation	Total
31st SF Wg	0	0	0	0	0
508th SF Wg	0	0	0	0	1
811th AB Gp	1	1	0	1	3
TOTAL	1	1	1	1	4

e. Rates and Costs for October:

	TAFB	31st SF Wg	508th SF Wg	811th AB Gp	Days Lost
Military Acdt Rate	3.27	0.00	3.40	4.81	20
On Duty	2.45	0.00	10.21	0.00	4
Off Duty	3.67	0.00	0.00	7.22	16
Civilian Acdt Rate	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0
Vehicle Acdt Rate	1.62	0.00	0.00	1.92	2
Cost per capita/mo	$0.24	$0.05	$0.16	$0.37	-

NOTE: $90 property damage was sustained by two sickle-bar mowers with 14 days out of service.

4. Discussion:

a. The roughness of some of the walkways around the Base Headquarters was discussed. It was reported that the discrepancy is in the process of being corrected.

b. Need of crosswalks direction and stop signs in front of Base Headquarters was discussed. The matter is in process of correction.

c. It was brought out that non-commissioned officers completing the "Forman's Safety Management" course had recommended that their Squadron Commanders be given the course. The Council did not approve of this except as a last resort. It was recommended that all Squadron Commanders utilize their Ground Safety personnel to become better acquainted with Ground Safety problems so as to make Ground Safety more effective.

5. Recommendations:

a. That Squadron Commanders become better acquainted with Ground Safety principles so as to make Ground Safety more effective in their Squadrons.

b. That the scroll for excellence in Ground Safety performance be awarded to the Headquarters 811th Air Base Group and to the 811th Installations Squadron. (tie).

/s/t/ LEAFORD BEARSKIN
It Col USAF
Chairman

Approved:

/s/t/JOHN J. EASTON
Colonel USAF
Commander

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PERSONNEL SERVICES OFFICE
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

BPPS 12 November 1953

SUBJECT: Personnel Services History - October 1953

TO: Base Personnel Officer
811th Air Base Group
Turner Air Force Base, Ga.

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3. Athletics:

a. The 508th A & E Squadron Touch Football Team came from behind to win the National League Championship. They then beat an undefeated Hq Sq. Sec. AB Gp. team for the Base Championship.

b. Squadron basketball teams started practicing in preparation for the coming season.

c. The Athletic Office made plans for coaches and officials Clinics on Basketball. These clinics are to be held during the month of November 1953.

d. Trampoline classes began. Sessions are held Tuesday and Thursdays of each week.

4. Education:

a. The routine duties of the Education Office continued throughout the month without any major changes. The Testing Service of the Education Office is still held on Tuesday afternoons from 1300 to 1700 hours.

b. A complete new line of college catalogs are now available at the Education Office to Turner personnel. Any counseling or correspondence for personnel with colleges will be available as of 1 November 1953.

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e. A cancer education program has been set for the week of 9 through 14 November 1953 for all military and civilian personnel assigned to Turner. Movies and lectures will be conducted at the Base Theater and it is hoped that a large percentage of the personnel will take advantage of this program.

5. Library.

a. Eight of the one hundred twenty-five (125) books added to the collection were legal books; twenty-five were from one of the book kits, and the rest were bought from Non-Appropriated Welfare Funds.

b. The total circulation for October in the Library was 1,179, with an average daily attendance of fifty-four (54). The total of new registrations for the month of October was sixty-eight (68).

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/s/ Gustave A. Meier, Jr.
/t/ GUSTAVE A. MEIER, JR.
2nd Lt., USAF
Personnel Services Officer

A CERTIFIED TRUE EXTRACT COPY:

Joseph E. Zuro

JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

PERSONNEL SERVICES OFFICE
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

BPPS 13 November 1953

SUBJECT: Supplement to Personnel Services History - October 1953

TO: Base Personnel Officer
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

1. Bowling Alley:

The Personnel Services Office was informed by Colonel Easton that $20,000 would be available if we could have constructed at this station bowling alleys under that sum. In reference to this, letters (a copy of which is attached) were sent to the Saunier-Wilheim Company, the Military Service Company, and the Brunswick Company. As a result, representatives from these companies came to the base and gave us their estimated costs of installing bowling alleys at this station. Nothing further was done during October in regard to bowling alleys. Beginning early in November, we received correspondence and TWX's from higher headquarters with reference to the bowling alleys. A more detailed account will be included in November's history. A copy of this TWX is attacned.

2. Service Club:

A SAC Welfare Grant to air condition the new service club, Building 2207, has been tentatively approved, pending the selling of the present air conditioning unit in the old service club. A TWX from Headquarters, Second Air Force, was received on 9 October 1953 granting this base authority to negotiate with the Atlanta Regional Office, Army and Air Force Exchange Service for the sale of air conditioning equipment in the present service club building.

3. Golf Course:

The Personnel Services Section does not have knowledge at this time of any future plans for a golf course to be laid out at this station. There has been no official correspondence in this regard.

4. Woodworking Hobby Shop:

The Woodworking Hobby Shop is being moved to Building 470h with the permission of the Base Commander, which was requested by this office. Other than the separation of the Woodworking Hobby Shop from the Automotive Hobby Shop, the business has been of a routine nature.

Gustave A. Meier Jr

GUSTAVE A. MEIER, JR.
2nd Lt., USAF
Personnel Services Officer

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PERSONNEL SERVICES OFFICE
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

BPPS 12 November 1953

SUBJECT: Personnel Services History - October 1953

TO: Base Personnel Officer
211th Air Base Group
Turner Air Force Base, Ga.

1. Personnel Services:

a. The First International [illegible] Sports Car Races were held at this station on 25 October [illegible]3. [illegible]nnel Services section took care of musical entertainment for the afternoon including seating, transportation musical numbers, meals, etc. All Personnel Services activities were informed of [illegible] [illegible] n-noise prevailed.

b. [illegible] annual convention at Radium Springs in Albany, [illegible] October 1953. The convention was [illegible], but most of the [illegible] involved [illegible] in connection with the recreation program [illegible]. Convention [illegible], panels, and [illegible]. A tour was planned [illegible] to the Base with the Personnel Services [illegible] the tour of the Special Services Activities. [illegible] was in attendance at the convention.

2. [illegible]:

a. [illegible] for the [illegible] October [illegible] past [illegible] from the [illegible] has been [illegible].

b. [illegible] the middle of the [illegible] we will be able to [illegible].

c. [illegible]" show [illegible] was excellent as was [illegible]. [illegible] MC the show, [illegible] played his [illegible], [illegible] proved himself

an able comedian. Airman Muller played the accordian, and Crawford Brown with his Originals sand several numbers. Sgt. Linder and A/1C Johnson, with their guitars were added to the show at the last minute.

d. On the last Tuesday night of the month we had our largest Pinochle Tournament since we started them, with sixteen teams participating.

e. We hope the changes in the Base Supply building will be completed in time for the club to be moved this month. We are already making plans for a gala opening of the new club.

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c. Airman [illegible] left [illegible] the Information Education School at [illegible] Glo[illegible] [illegible] ork, and [illegible] present is available to fill the vacancy. [illegible] will not return until after the 1st of the year. The Education [illegible] personnel to instruct in the elementary [illegible] is hoped that classes can be set up for four hours [illegible] present two hours per day.

d. Airman [illegible] prepare to attend the off-duty college [illegible] in Atlanta, Georgia which is to be held on the 3rd, 4th, and [illegible].

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6. Automotive and Woodworking Hobby Shop:

a. The Automotive and Woodworking Hobby Shops have been separated and are no longer adjacent to each other in the same building. The automotive hobby shop was expanded and now consumes the entire building. The area that was formerly the machine shop in the automotive hobby shop is now located in the area vacated by the woodworking hobby shop. Our new machine shop consists of numerous pieces of equipment with the most outstanding item being a Bear Wheel Alignment Machine which was purchased from funds derived from last year's Sowega Sports Car Races. A new hydraulic lift is now in the area of the former machine shop. The larger auto hobby shop has already enjoyed increased attendance cognizant of the more spacious area and new additional equipment.

b. A building that was formerly the NCO annex has been designated as the new woodworking hobby shop. All machinery and equipment has been moved to the new and much larger location. The new building is certainly a more desireable one and offers increased areas in which to build. The two shops are near each other, making supervisory visits simple. Plans for the future indicate that rooms available in the new woodworking hobby shop could be developed into a small crafts hobby shop, thus having a combination of the two located in the same building. When the work now being done by Air Installations Officer is completed the shop will be opened for business.

7. Boat Dock:

a. A picnic pavilion built from the Airmen's Living Improvement Fund has been completed and is now in operation. It makes the base recreation area ideal for organization parties and picnics. The pavilion is 112 feet by 38 feet with composition floor, band shell, food preparation room, juke box and concession stand.

GUSTAVE A. MEIER JR.
2nd. Lt., USAF
Personnel Services Officer

MONTHLY HISTORY

CIVILIAN PERSONNEL OFFICE

OCTOBER 1953

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The Civilian Personnel Office accomplished a total of 283 work units for the month. This included interviewing 62 applicants for employment; reviewing the files on 9 employees considered for promotion to higher grade; training sessions; in addition, the administrative section processed 54 personnel actions. Total authorized strength remained at 281 employees. Assigned strength was 273.

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In view of the urgent need for stenographer in Personnel Services and Air Installation, the civilian personnel office was able to obtain approval from Second Air Force to recruit for two stenographer positions prior to the lifting of the freeze.

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/s&t/ George F. Johnston
Director of Civ. Personnel

A CERTIFIED TRUE EXTRACT COPY:

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JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

HEADQUARTERS
SECOND AIR FORCE
BARKSDALE AIR FORCE BASE, LA

2AFJA 250.3 18 Oct 1955

SUBJECT: Confinement Policies

TO: Commander
40th Air Division
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

1. General LeMay has recently expressed concern over the large guardhouse population at Strategic Air Command bases, and has pointed out that this is one field wherein careful control can result in substantial economies. I concur wholeheartedly, not only because a large prison population is a waste of money and valuable manpower, but also because I feel that an Air Force designed for immediate combat operations cannot afford the luxury of competing with Air Force retraining centers and Army disciplinary barracks. Such is not the mission of Second Air Force and we are ill-equipped to enter the field.

2. The most obvious way to reduce the number of prisoners in your guardhouse is to reduce the number of trials. I urge that your commanders make full use of administrative reprimands, non-judicial punishment, and - should all efforts at retraining prove futile - the administrative separation provisions of Air Force Regulation 39-16 and Air Force Regulation 39-17. Exert every effort toward retraining your petty offenders, but when it becomes apparent that they are beyond salvage, dispose of them as expeditiously as possible under existing administrative separation procedures. The prisoner, Air Force, and the taxpayer are all losers when confinement is needlessly imposed.

3. When the circumstances of a case appear to demand trial by court-martial rather than any other type of action, there arises the question of the accused's pre-trial restraint. It is my policy that pre-trial confinement should be used only where necessary to insure the presence of the accused at the trial, or where the gravity of the offense charged or other facts indicate that his release would present a distinct threat to life, limb, or property. This policy has been set forth in paragraph 3, Second Air Force Regulation 111-6, 30 December 1952, but, unfortunately, the spirit of that directive is not being observed in all cases. I ask your personal intervention to insure that airmen are not being needlessly confined at your base prior to trial,

and suggest that you consider requiring that all pre-trial confinement for more than twenty-four hours receive the personal approval of the base commander;

4. Upon conviction and sentencing by summary and special courts-martial the base commander is responsible to act upon the sentence. Serious consideration should be given, especially in the case of first offenders, to the desirability of suspending a part of all of the sentence - particularly that part of the sentence adjudging confinement. Further, the convening authority should feel free to mitigate, in appropriate cases, sentences of confinement to lesser types of punishment such as hard labor without confinement. I realize that squadron commanders dislike having to supervise extra duties of this nature, but this is a part of the responsibilities of their position, and I will not countenance a slip-shod or half-hearted supervision of hard labor ordered by a court-martial.

5. I ask that you give close scrutiny to your prison population with the view of reducing it to an absolute minimum and keeping it at that level.

/s/FRANK A ARMSTRONG, JR
Major General, USAF
Commander

Hq 2AF, 2APJA 250.3, Subject: Confinement Policies

SJA 250.3 (18 Oct 53) 1st Ind

HEADQUARTERS 4OTH AIR DIVISION, Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Ga.
5 November 1953

TO: See Distribution

1. The basic communication, letter from Major General Armstrong, is to be distributed to all subordinate commanders within this command.

2. It is directed that all commanders thoroughly familiarize themselves with Chapter 9, Air Force Manual 35-15, Air Force Leadership, in order to aid them in carrying out the policies of the Commander, Second Air Force.

3. Discipline is a function of command, and if each and every commander exercises his powers properly, the number of courts-martial and consequent confinements will be reduced.

THAYER S. OLDS
Brigadier General, USAF
Commander

DISTRIBUTION:
Comdr 31st Strat Ftr Wg
Comdr 508th Strat Ftr Wg
Comdrs all asgd & atch units
811th AB Gp.

RECRUITING OFFICE
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

5 November 1953

SUBJECT: Historical Report for the Month of October 1953

TO: Personnel and Administration Office
Headquarters, 811th Air Base Group
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

1. A total of fourteen (14) reenlistments were accomplished by Base Recruiting Office during the month of October 1953.

2. The following is a breakdown of enlistments by squadrons:

a. Hq, 811th Air Base Group	2
b. 811th Food Service Squadron	1
c. 811th Motor Vehicle Squadron	1
d. 811th Operations Squadron	1
e. 811th Supply Squadron	4
f. 31st Periodic Maintenance Squadron	1
g. Hq, 508th Strat Ftr Wing	1
h. 508th A & E Maintenance Squadron	2
i. 467th Strat Ftr Squadron	1
Total	14

3. Included in above, two (2) airmen were reservists on active duty. Enlisted in the Regular Air Force.

4. Included in above, one (1) airmen was from off base. Enlisted after 24 hours.

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JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

/s/ Earl W. Palm
/t/ EARL W. PALM
2d Lt., USAF
Recruiting Officer

HEADQUARTERS 40TH AIR DIVISION
Office of the Director of Operations
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

DO 16 November 1953

MEMORANDUM FOR: Base Historical Section

Reference your request for information on the move of the 100th Air Refueling Squadron to this station, the following general information is submitted.

It is the desire of Headquarters SAC to have assigned a tanker unit to every organization that is capable of inflight refueling. The move of the 100th ARS to Turner is a result of this plan. The unit was scheduled previously to be stationed at Turner, however, this move was delayed because it was felt the runways and taxiways would not withstand the weight of a full-loaded B-29. It will be necessary to operate at Turner at reduced maximum gross weights and thus have a certain amount of restriction on the operation of the refueling squadron. However, at any time a mission calls for maximum fuel available for transfer, the KB's could be staged from some other station.

With the assignment of this organization at Turner Air Force Base, the station is now operating at almost its maximum capacity from a standpoints of building area and of operating facilities. The single runway at this station is deemed inadequate. It can't be emphasized too much the requirement of a parallel runway, not only from an operating standpoint but also from a safety of flight standpoint.

The aircraft will be parked on two dead runways with four maintenance docks close by. A request has been forwarded to Second Air Force for steel matting to place under the aircraft in order to prevent deterioration of the asphalt in the parking area and also help in distributing the weight over a larger area, thus reducing the possibility of the surface breaking up because of twoo much weight.

The 100th ARS will be assigned to the 508th Strategic Fighter Wing but will be available for operations by both the 508th and 31st. This was done to help equalize the load of attached units in that the 31st, being the parent wing, is responsible for the base flight maintenance section and support of field maintenance items in that organization. In addition, the 551st is under the 31st Wing.

Memo fr Dir of Opr for Base Historical Sec, dtd 16 Nov 53.

Reference the request for buildings assigned to the 100th ARS, it is requested that Base S-4 give these assignments to the Historical Section.

/s/ William D. Dunham
/t/ WILLIAM D. DUNHAM
Colonel, USAF
Director of Operations

A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

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JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

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Classification: SECRET
CO, 40th Air Division
Initials:
Date: 14 October 1953

HEADQUARTERS 40TH AIR DIVISION
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

DO 680.3 13 October 1953

SUBJECT: Move of 100th Air Refueling Squadron to Turner Air Force Base

TO: Commander
Second Air Force
Barksdale Air Force Base, Louisiana

1. It has been determined by this headquarters there are problems which require immediate attention in order for the 100th Air Refueling Squadron to operate at Turner Air Force Base. These items are as follows:

a. It is requested that orders be issued assigning the 100th Air Refueling Squadron to Turner Air Force Base as of 1 November 1953, with movement of aircraft on 15 November 1953.

b. It is requested that this headquarters be allowed to assign the 100th Air Refueling Squadron to the 508th Strategic Fighter Wing. This is recommended for the following reasons:

(1) Pending TDY of the 31st Strategic Fighter Wing.

(2) The 31st Strategic Fighter Wing, being the parent wing, is responsible for the support of the Air Base Flight functions, and in addition is responsible for the 551st Aviation Squadron.

(3) The 100th Air Refueling Squadron is being located adjacent to the 508th Strategic Fighter Wing area.

c. It is requested that action be taken to freeze the personnel assigned to the 100th Air Refueling Squadron as of this date. In addition, sufficient skilled personnel augmenting the parent fighter wing must be available to insure adequate support of the squadron. This is necessary because of the vast personnel differences between a jet fighter wing and a B-29 tanker squadron which do not allow for utilization of personnel in either one or the other organizations.

d. There is insufficient hangar space at Turner for engine build-up of B-29 engines. It is therefore recommended that a conference be arranged to discuss B-29 QEC kit build-up at MOAMA in support of the 100th Air Refueling Squadron. The following items are suggested for the discussion:

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Hq 40AD, DO 680.3, Subject: Move of 100th Air Refueling Squadron to Turner Air Force Base.

(1) Means of transportation of kits from operating activity to MOAMA and return.

(2) Establish requirements for numbers of QEC kits to fill pipeline.

(3) Configurations, i.e., how to build up, types of propellers, types of engine nose, percentage of right and left hand nacelles.

(4) Parts support and establishment of a supply priority and precedence.

(5) Equipment requirements, engine stand, etc., necessary for engine build-ups.

(6) Personnel requirements.

(7) Date of implementation of engine build-up program.

(8) Additional funds to Turner Air Force Base for transportation of engines to and from the depot.

e. It is requested that authority and funding for the procurement and laying of pierced plank parking pads for twenty-two (22) aircraft be given. These pads are necessary in order to prevent deterioration of the asphalt parking area by JP-4 fuel and short radius turns required in parking in available area.

f. The immediate procurement of sufficient individual engine docks, nomenclature as follows, J1-A Stand, Canopy Covered, to make up a total of three (3) docks.

g. In the event that Lockbourne cannot furnish sufficient aircraft spare parts to be shipped to this station for the 100th Air Refueling Squadron, it is requested that an AFSC be established at an early date.

h. It is strongly recommended that items under the UAL-BAL program that the 100th has at Lockbourne be shipped to this station earmarked for the 100th Air Refueling Squadron.

i. That a Mobile Training Detachment for B-29's be secured for Turner Air Force Base. This will be utilized in the up-grading of 3-level maintenance personnel presently assigned to the 100th Air Refueling Squadron.

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Hq 40AD, DO 680.3 Subject: Move of 100th Air Refueling Squadron to Turner Air Force Base.

j. The wash rack facilities at Turner Air Force Base cannot be utilized by B-29 type aircraft. There is no immediate solution to this problem and the present plan is for B-29 aircraft to utilize Hunter Air Force Base facilities when necessary. It is requested that Second Air Force take necessary action with Hunter Air Force Base to allow utilization of their wash racks. This headquarters is conducting a study to determine if wash rack facilities in the Master Plan could be constructed and not interfere with existing taxiways now being utilized. If this is feasible, this headquarters will submit a special request for authority to construct this wash rack prior to approval of the 1955 construction program in which this wash rack is being programmed.

/s/ Thayer S. Olds
/t/ THAYER S. OLDS
Brigadier General, USAF
Commander

A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

Joseph E Zuro

JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

SECURITY INFORMATION-
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AIR BASE TRAINING FLIGHT
811th Operations Squadron
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

5 November 1953

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SUBJECT: Section History for October 1953

TO: Commander
811th Operations Squadron
Turner AFB, Georgia

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2. The Range Section of the Air Base Training Flight fired two hundred and nineteen (219) officers and airmen with the Carbine, Caliber .30; eighty-four (84) officers with the U.S. Pistol, Caliber .45; and eleven (11) officers with the .38 Caliber Revolver.

3. Atomic, Biological and Chemical Warfare training was given to two hundred and twenty (220) officers and airmen. Atomic, Biological and Chemical Refresher Training was given to thirty seven (37) officers and airmen.

4. Eighteen (18) officers were indoctrinated in Basic Survival principles. Twelve (12) officers were given Refresher Survival Training.

5. Classroom and training aids facilities were made available to organizations within the 40th Air Division throughout the month for various phases of training such as ground safety, flying safety, I & E, etc.

/s/ William D. Langston
/t/ WILLIAM D. LANGSTON
Capt., USAF
Training Officer

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Joseph E. Zuro
JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

BASE PHOTOGRAPHIC LABORATORY
811th Operations Squadron
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

6 November 1953

SUBJECT: Monthly History Report

TO: Commander
811th Operations Squadron
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

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4. Work accomplished during the month of October consists of the following:

4 x 5 Negs	790	
4 x 5 Prints	2650	
8 x 10 Negs	60	
8 x 10 Prints	5000	
20 x 24 Negs	3	
20 x 24 Prints	72	
Photostats	2446	
Ozalids	9002	sq. ft.
16mm Film	600	ft.

/s/ Roy T. Patterson
/t/ ROY T. PATTERSON
M/Sgt. USAF
Lab Chief

A CERTIFIED TRUE EXTRACT COPY:

Joseph E Zuro
JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

3 November 1953

SUBJECT: Historical Report (Oct 53)

FROM: Base Communications Center

TO: 811th Operations Squadron

There was a total of sixty-five (65) telephone work orders issued in October. This is a decrease from the previous month. Also during the month an average of 2896 messages was sent and 7553 messages received by the teletype section.

The communications center has cancelled tributary training classes at Maxwell AFB, Alabama due to the shortage of personnel. We hope to be able to start anew as soon as new personnel are assigned.

The communications center is in the process of compiling a new telephone directory. This directory will include the new numbers on the base and home telephone of personnel living off base when the cut-over occurrs. The cut-over is expected the 12th of December 1953. This includes the base and city new central office.

According to AIO as reported this date, the completion of the new communications center building is 100 percent. This pertains only to construction of the building and not the installation of telephone central office equipment.

A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

Joseph E Zuro

JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

/s/t/ Travis H. Reeves
Capt., USAF
Base Communications Officer

WIRE MAINTENANCE SECTION
811 Operations Squadron
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

10 November 1953

SUBJECT: Monthly Historical Report (October)

TO: Historical Officer
Turner AFB, Georgia

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2. Reclaimed approximately seven (7) miles of field wire that was left here by the ground forces from Fort. Benning.

3. The switchboard BD 72 in fabrication shop was taken out for maintenance and inspection and then replaced.

/s/ Lott O. Lee
A/1C USAF
NCOIC, Wire Maintenance Section

A CERTIFIED TRUE EXTRACT COPY:

Joseph E Zuro
JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

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BASE RADIO
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

9 November 1953

SUBJECT: Monthly Historical Report (October)

TO: Historical Officer
Turner AFB, Georgia

E X T R A C T

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2. During this period, the following items of equipment was repaired and placed back in operation.

a. Three (3) Radio Receivers BC-342's, used by the Base Receiver site for reception of radio messages. (Two (2) on Point-to-Point radio circuits and one (1) on SAC Operational Control Net) (SAC Operational Control Net is used in conjunction with SAC's VIP aircraft).

b. Three (3) AN/TIQ-3's Public Address Systems, used at the present time, on the Flight Line as an aid to Base Security Guards in challenging unauthorized personnel in restricted area. (There has been some difficulty with these sets, due mostly to unauthorized tampering or playing around with them).

c. One (1) Bogen Public Address set, used with Phonograph turn table by the Base Theatre, for playing the National Anthem during retreat.

d. Two (2) SCR-499 Radio Transmitters, used by Base Radio on Point-to-Point radio circuits, in conjunction with SAC Plan One-thousand for sending radio messages.

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4. The Radio Receiver Site, functioning under Base Radio, received eighty-nine (89) and sent fifty-five (55) messages in October. This is an increase over the previous month. Most of the above messages were practice as the Receiver's are operating in a standby status as per SAC message DCCES 80619, dated 15 June 1953.

A CERTIFIED TRUE EXTRACT COPY:

Joseph E Zuro

JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

/s/&/t/ STANLEY D. BOKA
2nd Lt., USAF
Base Radio Officer

HEADQUARTERS 811TH AIR BASE GROUP
BASE OPERATIONS
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

BASE OPS

SUBJECT: Section History for October, 1953

TO: Base Historian
Turner AFB, Georgia

The following is data on Base Flight aircraft, including Airplane and Flying time for the month of October, 1953:

Airplane Time:

T-7. . . . . 125:30
C-47 . . . . . 267:40
B-26 . . . . . 32:35

	T-7	B-26	C-47
Training	23:55	1:40	10:45
Administrative	101:35	30:55	257:25

Flying Time by Organization:

	T-7	B-26	C-47
Base Flight	120:45	44:30	313:00
307th Strat Ftr Sq	14:55	--	43:55
308th Strat Ftr Sq	--	--	38:25
309th Strat Ftr Sq	11:00	--	51:35
466th Strat Ftr Sq	40:00	--	14:35
467th Strat Ftr Sq	15:10	--	63:40
468th Strat Ftr Sq	33:40	--	26:20

Total Flying Time by Type Aircraft:

T-7 . . . . . 235:25
C-47 . . . . . 551:30
B-26 . . . . . 44:30

Instrument Time:

T-7 . . . . . 41:45
C-47 . . . . . 121:40
B-26 . . . . . 9:05

NOTE: Instrument Time is based on Flying Time.

Following are percentages of AFR 60-2 requirements completed by pilots assigned or attached to Base Flight for flying for the month of October 1953. Percentages are based on the semi-annual maximum requirements of 65 hours proficiency, 9 hours night and 10 hours and/or weather. Percentages are based on (25) pilots present for duty.

PROFICIENCY..... 86.7%

NIGHT..... 86.2%

HOOD AND/OR WEATHER..... 75.7%

Turner Tower processed (1694) take-offs and (1661) landings VFR, IFR take-offs (79), IFR landings (76), practice VHF/DF Steers (145), UHF/DF Steers (663), Routine Assist VHF/DF Steers (15), Routine Assist UHF/DF Steers (0), emergency VHF/DF Steers (26), emergency UHF/DF Steers (89) during the month of October 1953.

During the month of October 1953 the Base Operations Dispatch Section processed (302) incoming flights, (306) outgoing flights, (116) locals, (170) transients flights, and (8) round robin flights which included Instrument training flights. Operational missions, and minimum individual training flights.

/s/ Eugene W. Wolfe
/t/ EUGENE W. WOLFE
Capt., USAF
Base Operations Officer

A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

Joseph E. Zuro
JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

811TH OPERATIONS SQUADRON
811th Air Base Group
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

6 November 1953

SUBJECT: Monthly Historical Report for October 1953

TO: Commander
811th Operations Squadron
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

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2. The following inspections were accomplished during the month. Three (3) Intermediate Inspections and two (2) Major Inspections.

3. The following Transient Aircraft were serviced and necessary maintenance performed.

B-25	10	F-86	2
B-26	6	F-94	2
B-29	1	T-6	9
C-47	22	T-7	7
C-54	1	T-11	1
C-97	3	T-33	13
C-119	1	TBM	2
C-124	3	HTK	3
F-51	1	ARN	1
F-84	13	HUP	1
		R6D	3

4. Base Flight aircraft flew during the month of October without a minor or major accident. Base Flight aircraft flew a total of four hundred and six hours (406:00) during the month of October.

/s/ Fred W. Hege
/t/ FRED W. HEGE
CWO, USAF
Eng Officer

A CERTIFIED TRUE EXTRACT COPY:

Joseph E. Zuro
JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

HEADQUARTERS
811TH AIR BASE GROUP (SAC)
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

GENERAL ORDERS)
NUMBER 29)

1 October 1953

1. LIEUTENANT COLONEL LEAFORD BEARSKIN A0522703 Headquarters 811th Air Base Group this station is assigned as Deputy Base Commander effective 2 October 1953 vice LIEUTENANT COLONEL GEORGE K SYKES, 9763A.

2. LIEUTENANT COLONEL ARMON C GUTHRIE A0568438, Headquarters 40th Air Division, is assigned as Base Materiel Officer (AFSC 6416) effective 2 October 1953 vice LIEUTENANT COLONEL LEAFORD BEARSKIN A0522703.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMANDER:

OFFICIAL:

EDMOND L FORTIN
Major, USAF
Adjutant

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Major, USAF
Adjutant

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OFFICE OF THE BASE MATERIEL OFFICER
Headquarters 811th Air Base Group
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

BM 319 6 November 1953

SUBJECT: Historical Report for Month of October 1953

TO: Base Historian
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

1. Several personnel changes were made during the month of October 1953, which included the reassignment of Lt Col Bearskin to Base Deputy Commander, and the assignment of Lt Col A. C. Guthrie as Base Materiel Officer. In addition to these changes in personnel, this section was hit very hard for overseas assignments. There were four (4) key NCO's transferred PCS during the month which left this section severely short.

2. Tentative plans have been completed on the impending transfer of the 100th ARS from Lockbourne AFB to Turner AFB. Building #2000 (old Base Headquarters) is being cleaned out and renovated for use as 100th ARS Headquarters. Minimum billeting and warehousing requirements have been met and no additional materiel problems are expected.

3. The 2AF Inspection Team completed their semi-annual inspection during the month with Base Supply making one of the best showings on record. However, numerous discrepancies were discovered in the Unit Supply Accounting procedures in the 811th Air Base Group. Most of the discrepancies were due to inexperienced supply personnel in the squadron and poor supervision on the part of Supply Officers and Supply Sergeants.

4. The AOCP rate for this month is 6.5%, a decrease of 2.5% from the September rate. This decrease was mostly due to transfer of 31st SFW planes during the latter part of the month.

5. The ANFE rate for this month is 44.4%, an increase of 7.2% over the preceding month. This is not an abnormal rate for a few days, but will become alarming unless it can be steadily reduced. This increased ANFE rate is being caused by a few individual items such as mirrors, which will reduce the rate considerably when received from the depot.

6. The monthly VDP rate is 2.78% and the VDM 1.16%. These rates are considered normal for the number of vehicles assigned.

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History of Sub-Sections

A. C. GUTHRIE
Lt Col, USAF
Base Materiel Officer

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Base Supply History for Month of October 1953

The month of October has been a period of considerable activity within the various sections and units of Base Supply. The various projects being conducted have required a maximum effort by all personnel.

The requirements for the 31st Wing Mobility Plan have received an extensive amount of attention. One of the outstanding projects conducted in Service Unit 2 was the procuring of various types of clothing in Class 13. A report was submitted to the Base Supply by the various sections of the wing, consisting of all UEE shortages. Immediately upon the receipt of these reports, personnel of this section were dispatched to the various depots to expedite requisitioning procedures. An airlift was set up to get the material on this station and to the organizations in as short a period as possible. When the materiel began to arrive, Unit 2 was required to spend a considerable amount of overtime to maintain a satisfactory flow of material to the wing. The results of this project indicate a very satisfactory achievement on the part of the participating personnel. (1)

Service Unit 4 was the next unit to play a large part in supplying UEE shortages to the wing. The property class most effected was 17-B; however, all requirements were filled satisfactorily within a week. (2)

Service Units 1, 3, and 5 were the least effected, all shortages to the 31st Wing were easily taken into stride with the normal work-load.

The Flyaway Kits for the Wing were sent to the hangars five days previous to the deadline date. A re-stocking and binning project was conducted due to the change in requirements of new radio and gun sights. This project was expedited and completed in plenty of time to enable the kits to be ready for the shipment. (3)

A major project is being conducted within our sections pertaining to the preparations for the In-flight Refueling Squadron being assigned to this station. The TableXVI and Table II stock lists to the KB 29P aircraft were screened and requirements determined. An expeditor team was dispatched to Hunter and Lockbourne Air Force Bases with the necessary requirements lists to initiate requisitions. Some material and paperwork have already started arriving on this station. Service Units 1 and 2 are the most affected by the assignment of a different type of aircraft. Our warehouse and stock record personnel are making every effort to secure and set up all available storage and record space. One of the major problems to be encountered in the very near future is the storage of the larger assemblies and parts. Ample storage facilities aren't available at the present time. Some of the problems of storage will be alleviated by utilizing our open storage areas; however, these aren't the ideal storage conditions required by some of the parts. Our new warehouse should be available by the time the bulk parts and spares arrive.(4)

Plans are being made to vacate a few of the buildings that are to be taken over by the new wing. Service Unit 3 and 4 are to be transferred to the new warehouse. Receiving and Classification, Packing and Crating, and Flyaway Kits will also have to move. This also creates a problem of limited space. (5)

In our Publications Section requisitions for "Mobility Files for the 31st Wing" have been approximately 98% filled. A few report forms will be forwarded by mail when they are available. Preparations are being made to transfer the personnel and machines of the Reproduction and Printing Section to the Headquarters Squadron. The section is already located in the new base headquarters building. (6)

Most of the efforts of the Petroleum Section in October, were directed toward the utilization of the High Pressure Hydrant Refueling System. Since the system is new throughout the Air Force there is no standard operating procedure to follow in its operation. The Petroleum Section has followed information sent to us and in quite a few cases improved upon procedures and equipment modification.

One of the most interesting ideas to come from the Petroleum Section was the equipping of an F-6 Refueling unit with a single point fitting from a salvaged F-84G. The single point fitting was adapted by our section and the attached refueling maintenance to allow us to simulate the filling of an aircraft by single point method. We used this adapted F-6 unit successfully in several of the required tests of the Hydrant system.

The adaptation of the T-4 hose cart was, we feel, improved upon by this section. Standard hose from refueling units was used to replace the condemned hose. However, we substituted 35 foot standard hose on the discharge side in place of a ten foot hose. This gives us a radius of approximately 50 feet around the hydrant compared to about 25 feet with the tech order modification.

After much testing of the system it was put into full use on 28 October 1953 at 1300 hours. We are still awaiting shipment of single point nozzles quick couplings to allow us to put more hose carts into operation. We have only three completely modified now, but upon arrival of the quick couplings six more can be completely modified.

The biggest problem in conjunction with the operation of the hydrant system now is personnel. This section is presently twelve under strength and cannot put the Hydrant system into night and day operation until more people are received. In conjunction with this, the Petroleum Section is now sending twelve of its personnel on the 31st Strategic Fighter Wing Mobility.(7)

For the month of October, 43,400 stock record cards were maintained. There were 30,924 line items processed. The supply effectiveness figure was 81%. The AOCP rate was 6.5 and the ANFE rate was 44.4%. (8)

References:

1. Management & Procedures Office
2. Interview with Service Unit 4 Supervisor
3. Interview with Flyaway Kit Supervisor
4. Management & Procedures Office
5. Management & Procedures Office
6. Interview with Publications Supervisor
7. Interview with Petroleum Officer
8. Base Supply Central files.

BRUCE WILSON
Major, USAF
Base Supply Officer

HEADQUARTERS 40TH AIR DIVISION
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

BMAIO 670

19 October 1953

SUBJECT: Proposed Air Conditioning Installation in New Service Club

TO: Commander
Second Air Force
Barksdale AFB, La.

1. Reference is made to your message 2AFPSA 1142, dated 10 October 1953, relative to air conditioning new Service Club.

2. Request approval in principle be granted for the installation of air conditioning in Building 2207 in accordance with letter, Headquarters Strategic Air Command, DM7B 123, 14 May 1953, subject: Modification of AF Regulation 91-8, Air Conditioning Utilizing Non-Appropriated Funds.

3. The proposed project consists of the installation of a 50-ton Central Chilled Water Air Conditioning System, which involves installation of a 50-ton Water Chiller Unit, together with one 20-ton and two 15-ton Air Handling Units, complete with duct work, electrical controls, electrical services, cooling tower and slab, and necessary housing for equipment. Turner Air Force Drawing, TNR-R-032, showing the proposed air conditioning layout is attached as Inclosure No. 1.

4. This work, estimated to cost $26,500.00, is to be accomplished by contract with non-appropriated funds. A grant has been approved by SAC Welfare Board for accomplishment of this project in the amount of $14,328.00, plus the refund from Grant No. 52 which is $1,156.54. The additional funds required to accomplish this proposed installation will be available from revenue to be derived from the sale of air conditioning equipment in the present Service Club to Air Force Exchange Service.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

/s/&/t/ EDMOND L. FORTIN
Major, USAF
Adjutant

1 Incl
Dwg TNR-R032

A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

Joseph E Zuro

JOSEPH E ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

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Hq 2AF, 2AFMSH 400, Subj: Sup Policy for Local Purchase Expendable Supplies

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HEADQUARTERS 40TH AIR DIVISION, Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia
16 October 1953

TO: Commander, Second Air Force, Barksdale Air Force Base, Louisiana

Reference paragraph 5, basic communication, the following action has been taken by this headquarters to comply with procedures outlined in paragraphs 2a, b, c, and 3:

2. a. Stock levels on local purchase items have been revised to provide a thirty day stockage objective and forty-five day pipeline time Levels previously established in accordance with SAC Reg. 67-7 have been revised accordingly.

b. It is planned to have one consolidated "Local Purchase Store", with the exception of Classes 06, 07, and 24, to provide better control and utilization of facilities. Tentative location of the store will be in the building presently occupied by Service Unit No. 4, which is scheduled to move into the new supply warehouse. This is a desirable location for AIO Shops, Motor Vehicle Maintenance, and is the present storage location of office supplies. Ground POL, Chemicals, Paint and Dopes will be located in their present newly constructed paint and chemical warehouse.

c. The SAC Regulation covering this procedure has not been received to date, consequently several questions present themselves dealing with the operation of this system, accounting and control procedures that it is assumed will be answered by the regulation and further implementing instructions. It is planned to put the system in operation by departments starting with department "A", Office Supplies. For the purpose of stability it is proposed to place a civilian in charge as store manager.

3. Pending receipt of the SAC Regulation and to begin implementing the local purchase store, information is requested as to the method of dropping items from stock record cards to the store, the procedure the store manager will follow to determine items and quantities to re-order, and a recommended civilian grade authorization for the position of store manager.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

/s&t/ EDMOND L. FORTIN
Major, USAF
Adjutant

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A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

HEADQUARTERS
SECOND AIR FORCE
Barksdale Air Force Base, La.

2AFMSH 400 21 September 1953

SUBJECT: Supply Policy for Local Purchase Expendable Supplies

TO: Commander
40th Air Division
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

1. A Strategic Air Command Regulation covering the "Local Purchase Store" will be distributed approximately 1 October 1953 for command wide implementation which must be completed by 1 January 1954. This regulation is based on a basic policy change received from Headquarters USAF and established a simplified monetary accounting system for local purchase expendable type supplies. One of the major benefits to be derived from this simplified system is the elimination of all stock record cards for this type of supplies and the multitude of paper sork and postings currently required.

2. Pending receipt of subject regulation, the following action will immediately be taken by your headquarters:

a. Stock levels on all locally purchased expendable items will be established to effect a turnover rate of at least six (6) times per year. Levels on this category will average as close to thirty (30) days as possible; however, careful consideration will be given to the economical quantity for individual purchases. In view of the low stock objective, it is imperative that store managers compute requirements and place them with purchasing and contracting officers sufficiently in advance to allow 45 to 60 days pipeline time.

b. Strategic Air Command Regulation 67-7 and Strategic Air Command Technical pamphlet 67-2 will be held in abeyance pending further information from this headquarters. Subject publications may be used as a guide if desired.

c. Base Supply Officers will survey physical facilities available to them and prepare tenative plans for the locations of the various departments of the "Local Purchase Store."

Hq 2AF, Barksdale AFB, La., 2AFMSH 400, Subj: Sup Policy for Local Purchase Expendable Supplies

3. Upon receipt of the SAC Regulation, a progressive plan will be prepared by each Base Supply Officer to insure that all departments of the local purchase store are in operation by 1 January 1954. Reference is made to Inclosure I which outlines the proposed arrangement of classes for each department in the local purchase store.

4. The following AFSC's are suggested as sources for the specific jobs in the local purchase store:

Store Manager - 6424, 64100, 64175
Department Manager- 64175, 64152, 64174

Careful consideration will be given to selection of qualified personnel for store manager and department managers. The simplified system prescribed for local purchase expendable supplies necessitates the use of managers who are capable of exercising sound judgment in determination of requirements, operation of stores, etc.

5. Difficulties encountered in establishing this program and action taken by your headquarters to comply with paragraphs 2a, b, c and 3 of this correspondence will be outlined and returned to this headquarters by indorsement not later than 15 October 1953.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMANDER:

/s/ R. E. Stauffer
/t/ R. E. STAUFFER
CWO, USAF
Asst Adjutant

1 Incl
Functional Diagram

A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

Joseph E. Zuro

JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

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HISTORICAL REPORT - AIR INSTALLATIONS SECTION

October 1953

E X T R A C T

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An important, noticeable change in the organizational setup is the Operations Control Section, which consists of Production Control Officer, three Material Expediters, and one Investigator and Estimator. This section is operating in accordance with S[illegible] Manual 93-1 and is primarily interested in receiving, investigating, [illegible]ating and processing work order requests, then forwarding for approval or disapproval. After requests have been approved this section prepares the work orders, obtains the materials called for in work orders and afterwards releases work orders and materials to shop concerned. This section is responsible for location of work orders as to completion date, percentage completed, etc., which information is reflected on a Work Order Status Board. After work orders have been completed, they are then forwarded to Cost Clerk and Property Clerk for necessary record purposes.

Work orders are received in two categories, and statistics representing work orders for October are as indicated below:

1. AF Form 332 Work Order Requests: 71 were received and processed. Of this number, 32 were approved and special work orders were issued, 8 work orders have been turned in as completed; 11 were returned for non-compliance with Standard Operating Manual 414-4, paragraph 3; 4 were accomplished on routine work orders; and 19 pending approval by Economy Review Board.

2. AIO Work Order Call Register Complaints: 430 were received and processed; approximately 330 have been returned to Work Order Section as having been completed.

In accordance with AFR 91-7 the yearly classes held for proper instructions on firing Hot Air Furnaces installed in barracks were started 1 October 1953 and were held twice daily until preparation for SOWEGA Sports Car Races Priority No. 1 rose to command. To date, 434 certificates have been awarded. Classes will be resumed 2 November 1953.

The Real Estate Facilities Property Section reports officially picking up on Real Property Records the following:

Aircraft Refueling Bulk Storage

Administration Building (New Headquarters)

During the preparation of the Public Works Program for FY 1955, there were many harrowing experiences; in one sense of the word, Air Installations was comparable to a tropical storm, the exception being that no means of communication was disrupted - the hot line was really kept hot receiving instructions from Second Air Force, Strategic Air Command and USAF Installations in Atlanta and Savannah. Due to shortage of personnel and changes in instructions from higher headquarters many hours of overtime were necessary in order to meet the deadline for completion of the preparation of this Program. Finally we emerged from the mill of justifications and Lt Carter, the Public Works Officer, hand carried this program to Second Air Force on 5 October 1953. It was stated by Capt Doyle, Installations Directorate, Second Air Force, that Turner's FY 55 presentation was the best one received in Second Air Force.

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Listed below is the status of projects being administered on this base, as indicated:

1. Projects administered by Savannah District Engineers:

	% Compl.
General Purpose Warehouse (Contract No. 1512) (NOTE: Permission for beneficial occupancy was granted 31 October 1953)	99.8
Communications Building (Contract No. 1707)	100

2. Projects administered by the Air Installations Office:

Flyaway Kit Warehouse (19-53)	100
Air Conditioning of 3 Hospital Bldgs (75-52)	90
Construction of Reclamation Building (23-53)	100
Construction of Reclamation Yard (23-53)	100
Construction of 8 Bay Segregated Storage Magazine (32-53)	61.5
Installation Dust Collection System in Bldg 7504 (49-53)	100

During this month the following two projects were forwared to higher headquarters for technical review and approval.

1. Installation of Mastipave Floor Covering, 26 Barracks - TNR (2-54)
2. Air Conditioning of Parachute Building - TNR (19-54)

ROBERT I DEWITT
Major, USAF
Air Installations Officer

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PERSONNEL SERVICES OFFICE
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

2 October 1953

Saunier-Wilhiem Company
930 Fifth Avenue, N.
Birmingham, Alabama

Dear Sir:

We are in the process of making tentative plans for the construction of a bowling alley at Turner Air Force Base.

Request that you forward any information that you have available regarding materials, cost, and installation of four (4) bowling lanes.

If it is practical, please send your sales representative to this base in order that we can get this information first hand and compare your materials with that of other companies. An immediate response to this reply would be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

/s/ Gustave A. Meier, Jr.
/t/ GUSTAVE A. MEIER, JR.
2nd Lt., USAF
Personnel Services Officer

A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY: -
Joseph E Zubo
JOSEPH E. ZUBO
1st Lt., USAF

NOTE: Copies of this letter were also sent to the other companies mentioned in the history

Mrs Ruth Sands Bentley
52 West 54th Street
New York 19, New York

November 27, 1953

Colonel Joe R Williams
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

Dear Colonel Williams:

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Never, to my knowledge, has a sports car event in America been run so well as yours. From the standpoint of the working press, organization is indeed important. Sometimes we wait a day or two after a race before learning the winners' names, average speeds, etc. The promptness with which results were released following each race was on a par with the European races. (I've mentioned this in a story I did for MOTORSPORT, a New York publication, which will be out in a few weeks. If you'd like to see the second story, I'll be glad to mail a copy to you.) Your press gathering the evening before the race was of invaluable assistance. There we learned such items that helped to keep our stories from being straight statistics; these included the fact that Erickson's "C" Jaguar was fitted with dual-throated carburetors, that the General's car would be driven by Scott, that the Walters Cunningham was the same car that was wrecked in Europe, and that Bill Spear's new Ferrari was a Mille Miglia type. These are things we could not have known by just watching the race. And then too, it was a nice opportunity to meet other members of the press.

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Sincerely,

/s/ Ruth Sands Bentley

HEADQUARTERS 40TH AIR DIVISION
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia
8 December 1953

Dear Colonel Field:

Since SOWEGA '54 is just around the corner, I believe that certain problems which will arise should be settled as soon as possible.

First, will SOWEGA '54 be International? If so,

a. Will we, the SCCA or AAA notify foreign car manufacturers and drivers?

b. What will be the absolute maximum of entries per race? Recommend 70.

c. Will AAA help in notifying their club members?

d. Does AAA have a standard entry blank?

e. Is '53 race schedule satisfactory for '54? Would it meet with approval if the short races were reduced to 50 miles?

f. Who should contact AAA to obtain permission to allow ladies in the infield as pit crew members and officials and assure their being covered by AAA insurance?

Second, I have been nominated by General Olds as race chairman. Does this meet with approval within SCCA headquarters?

Ruth Sands Bentley gave us a good spread in Autosport. I'm sure that you saw it. The Baron should be medium furious by this time. Not only did they use his name in vain about an incident that didn't happne, they spelled it incorrectly.

Received the executive Bulletin this morning. SOWEGA has not elected officers but will in the near future. Will get off a letter as soon as possible.

Nothing else now. Would appreciate a firm answer as soon as possible for pre-planning purposes.

Best regards,

/s/ Ben F. Sands
Regional Executive, SOWEGA Region

C O P Y

SPORTS CAR CLUB OF AMERICA

Nov 19, 1953

Col. Joe R. Williams
Hq 40th Air Division
Turner AFB
Albany, Georgia

Dear Joe:

It seems that I have let a long time elapse before writing to congratulate you on the job you did as Project Officer for Sowega this year, and to thank you most sincerely for all the help and cooperation you gave me.

However, as you probably know, I have been pretty much on the move what with the S.C.C.A. Officers' Meetings and then the trip to March AFB. This latter, by the way, was a good show and the eastern and midwestern boys certainly wiped the eyes of the California contingent.

I would be very interested to hear what the official final attendance and profit and loss figures were at Turner. Drop me a line and give me the scoop when the spirit moves.

Thanks again, Joe, and please pass on my sentiments to Vernie and all the other lads who made working at Turner this year so pleasant and successful.

Very best regards,

Sincerely,

/s/ T. K. Field
Director of National Events

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9 December 1953

Colonel T. K. Field
Director of National Events
Sports Car Club of America
P.O. Box 508
Westport, Connecticut

Dear Terry:

Sorry to be so long in answering but as you realize it takes quite some time to get final figures. We estimated the crowd and it is a fairly accurate estimate at approximately 20,000. This may sound strange to you, especially since last year's crowd was estimated at 35,000 to 50,000 (and other wild guesses), however, we are positive and I am sure you will agree that this year's crowd is larger than last year's. The only thing wrong last year was that we had no positive method for accounting. This year we did.

I will try to break this part as gently as possible. Our total profits in the races were $6,478.62, but by the time we deducted Federal amusement tax and contributions to the Air Force Aid Society and the local Community Chest, we end up with a total to the fund of $3,171.49. It is not a very imposing figure and I offer no excuses. I am sure you are acquainted enough with the problem to understand the low figure. I guess we will have to be satisfied with the intangibles which we feel were a great success.

You have probably received Ben Sands' letter by now concerning SOWEGA '54. General Olds not only wishes to appoint him as race chairman but he has already positively appointed me as project officer. I have already started the spade work and, as Ernie Vlack would say, "It is only 310 days until race day." I would appreciate whatever you can do to speed up the answers to Ben's questions. Once we are firm on an international race we can go on from there. Sorry my news on profist isn't better, but with almost a year to go maybe we can improve them, at least I hope so.

Please don't wait until two weeks before race day to drop in and see us again. If I don't see you before, I will probably see you at MacDill on 31 January.

Sincerely,

/s&t/ Joe R. Williams
Colonel, USAF

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(Tentative) STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSE
As of 1000 Hours 9 November 1953
SOWEGA International Sports Car Races

INCOME

Ticket Sales:			
Pre-Race Day	$9,836.10		
Race Day	4,963.00		
Grandstand Tickets	2,466.85		
Total Ticket Sales		$17,265.95	
Concessions		6,785.55	
Program		2,193.25	
Other Income		1,332.00	
Total			$27,576.75
Contingent Assets			
Program Advertising Income		2,330.00	
Ticket Income		100.00 E	
Total Contingent Assets			$2,430.00 E
TOTAL INCOME			$30,006.75

EXPENSE

Ticket Printing	150.00	
Program	500.00	
Insurance	4,830.40	
Trophies	1,865.00	
Concession Stands	3.026.31	
Postage	154.95	
Promotion & Sales	4,019.42	
Communications	143.64	
Entertainment	1,143.79	
Other Supplies & Services	568.37	
Refund - Excessive Payment of Entry Fee	20.00	
TOTAL EXPENSE		$16,421.88
Contingent Liabilities		
SCCA Fee	4,500.00 E	
Bicycles	60.00 E	
Spot Paint	10.00 E	
Flowers	10.00	
Gasoline	119.00	
Material	85.00	
Seely's (Programs)	1,604.55	
Communications	95.41	
TOTAL CONTINGENT LIABILITIES		$6,483.96 E
TOTAL EXPENSE		$22,905.84
		7,100.91 E
Taxes, if applicable		2,400.00 E
NET PROFIT		$ 4,700.91 E

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STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSE
As of 1200 Hours 8 December 1953
SCWECA International Sports Car Race

INCOME			
Ticket Sales	$ 17,344.95		
Program Sales	1,053.25		
Program Advertising	1,855.00		
Entry Blank Advertising	105.00		
Concession Sales	6,785.55		
SCCA Donations	1,310.00		
Telephone	2.00		
Total Income Received		$ 28,455.75	
Accounts Receivable			
Program Advertising		1,505.00	
TOTAL INCOME			$ 29,960.75
EXPENSE			
SCCA Fee	4,756.22		
Ticket Printing	150.00		
Program	2,039.00		
Insurance	4,830.40		
Trophies	1,865.00		
Concessions (Cost of Sales)	3,026.31		
Postage	300.09		
Promotion & Sales	4,094.61		
Communications	254.09		
Bleachers	250.98		
Entertainment	1,073.79		
Other Supplies & Services	519.96		
Miscellaneous	107.40		
Cash Under (Race day operations)	4.22		
Total Expenses		23,272.07	
Accounts Payable			
Gasoline	119.00		
Materials	91.06		
Total Accounts Payable		210.06	
TOTAL EXPENSE			23,482.13
			6,478.62
Contingent Liabilities			
Taxes:			
Federal Amusement Tax	2,400.00		
Beer	114.25		
Total Contingent Liabilities			2,514.25
			3,964.37
NET PROFIT		396.44	
Contribution - Air Force Aid Society		396.44	
Contribution - Dougherty Public Solicitations, Inc.			792.88
Total Contributions			$ 3,171.49

NET PROCEEDS to Turner Airmen's Living Improvement Fund

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSE
1953 SCWECA International Sports Car Race

INCOME:		
Program Income	$ 3,158.25	
Ticket Sales	17,359.95	
Concession Income	6,785.55	
Donation from SCCA	1,310.00	
Other Income	107.00	
Total Income		$ 28,720.75
Accounts Receivable		
Program Advertising		1,260.00
Total Operating Income		29,980.75
EXPENSE:		
SCCA	4,756.22	
Ticket Printing	150.00	
Program	2,039.00	
Insurance	4,830.40	
Trophies	1,865.00	
Concessions	3,026.31	
Promotion & Sales	4,094.61	
Communications	254.09	
Overhead - Supplies & Materials	730.02	
Postage	300.09	
Entertainment	1,073.79	
Bleachers	250.98	
Miscellaneous	111.62	
Total Expense		23,482.13
		6,498.62
Contingent Liabilities		
Tax Reserve		
Federal Amusement Tax	$ 2,400.00	
State Alcohol Tax (beer)	114.25	
Total Contingent Liabilities		2,514.25
NET PROFIT		3,984.37
LESS:		
Donation to Air Force Aid Society	396.44	
Donation to Dougherty Public Solicitations	396.44	
Total Donations		792.88
NET PROCEEDS TO TURNER AIRMEN'S LIVING IMPROVEMENT FUND		$ 3,191.49

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSE
1952 SOWEGA NATIONAL SPORTS CAR RACE
and
1953 SOWEGA INTERNATIONAL SPORTS CAR RACE

	1952		1953	
INCOME:				
Squadron Donations - Turner Airmens Living Improvement Fund	$61,387.85		-0-	
Programs & Program Advertising*	2,699.25		3,158.25	
Ticket Sales	9,182.50		17,395.95	
Concessions	4,703.06		6,785.55	
Donations				
Albany Chamber of Commerce	465.00		1,310.00	
SCCA			107.00	
Other Income				
Total	78,437.66		28,720.75	
Accounts Receivable*				
Program Advertising			1,260.00	
Total Operating Income		$78,437.66		$29,980.75
EXPENSES:				
SCCA	2,932.05		4,756.22	
Ticket Printing	1,114.36		150.00	
Program	2,246.10		2,039.00	
Insurance	3,334.94		4,830.40	
Trophies	1,457.60		1,865.00	
Concessions	3,327.13		3,026.31	
Promotion and Sales	7,220.46		4,094.61	
Communications	233.09		254.09	
Overhead - Supplies & Services	431.74		730.02	
Postage	77.17		300.09	
Automobiles	7,061.34		1,073.79	
Entertainment	65.04		250.98	
Bleachers			111.62	
Miscellaneous				
Total	29,501.02		23,482.13	
ADD:				
Tax Reserve - Federal Amusement Tax	4,500.00		2,514.25	
Total Operating Expense	34,001.02		25,996.38	
ADD:				
Donation - Air Force Aid (10%)	4,443.66		396.44	
Donation - Dougherty Public Solicitations	4,443.66		396.44	
Total Expense		$42,888.34		$26,789.26
NET PROFIT TO TURNER AIRMEN'S LIVING IMPROVEMENT FUND		$35,549.32		$ 3,191.49

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSE
1952 SOWEGA NATIONAL SPORTS CAR RACE

INCOME:		
Donations to Turner Airmens Living Improvement Fund	$ 61,387.85	
Program Income	2,699.25	
Ticket Sales	9,182.50	
Concession Income	4,703.06	
Donations from Albany Chamber of Commerce	465.00	
TOTAL INCOME		$78,437.66
EXPENSE:		
SCCA	2,932.05	
Ticket Printing	1,114.36	
Program	2,246.10	
Insurance	3,334.94	
Trophies	1,457.60	
Concessions	3,327.13	
Promotion & Sales	7,220.46	
Communications	233.09	
Overhead - Supplies & Services	431.74	
Postage	77.17	
Automobiles	7,061.34	
Entertainment	65.04	
TOTAL EXPENSE		$29,501.02
Contingent Liability		
Federal Amusement Tax		4,500.00
Total Operating Expense		34,001.02
NET PROCEEDS FROM RACE		44,436.64
LESS:		
Donation to Air Force Aid Society	4,443.66	
Donation to Dougherty Public Solicitations	4,443.66	
Total Donations		8,887.32
NET PROFIT TO TURNER AIRMENS LIVING IMPROVEMENT FUND		$ 35,549.32

HEADQUARTERS 40TH AIR DIVISION
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

DCDR 121 13 Oct 1953

SUBJECT: Use of Profits from the 1953 SOWEGA Sports Car Races

TO: Commander
Second Air Force
Barksdale Air Force Base
Louisiana

1. On 10 July 1953, the Airmen's Living Improvement Fund Council of Turner Air Force Base, established under the provisions of SAC Regulation 176-5, decided that any portion of the profits from the 1953 SOWEGA Sports Car Races to be spent for a specific project should be obligated prior to 31 January 1954, and that all profits remaining unobligated on 31 January 1954 should be prorated to the squadron funds.

2. On 30 September 1953 an Advisory Council of airmen, composed of representatives from each organization on this base, was established to submit recommendations to the Airmen's Living Improvement Fund Council on projects for which race profits should be spent. This group has recommended that, subject to the availability of funds, the profits from this year's event be used to install air conditioning in our two airmen's dining halls. Such a project could be accomplished as an exception to AFR 91-8, 7 November 1951, under the provisions of USAF Letter, subject: "Installation of Air Conditioning Utilizing Non-Appropriated Funds," 22 April 1953. However, I believe that this type of project should be accomplished from appropriated funds. Preliminary estimates indicate a requirement for approximately one hundred and thirty tons of air conditioning at an estimated cost of about sixty-five thousand dollars ($65,000). Information is therefore requested as to the possibility of securing a waiver to provisions of AFR 91-8, 7 November 1951, and the availability of funds to accomplish this air conditioning from appropriated funds should a formal project be submitted.

3. Should a proposal for the accomplishment of this air conditioning from appropriated funds not be favorably considered by higher headquarters and should the profits from the 1953 races not be sufficient to accomplish the project from non-appropriated funds, an alternate proposal would be to install mechanical ventilation in each of the dining halls. This would require the installation of four 48" (14,000 CFM) positive displacement exhaust fans and two 18" JLG type Q (7800 CFM) fans in each dining hall.

Hq 4OAD, Turner AFB Ga DCDP 121, Subj: Use of Profits from the 1953 SOWEGA Sports Car Races

4. It is estimated that this latter project could be accomplished for approximately six thousand dollars ($6,000). However, under the provisions of AFR 91-8, 7 November 1951, this project would require Headquarters SAC approval. In the event that it is decided to accomplish this latter project, could we expect favorable consideration of request for approval in principle to expend non-appropriated funds for this purpose.

/s/t/ Thayer S. Olds
Brigadier General, USAF
Commander

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TURNER AIR FORCE BASE

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Subject: Report on SCCA International Sports Car Races held at Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia, on 25 October 1953.

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HEADQUARTERS 40TH AIR DIVISION, Turner AF Base, Ga., 9 DEC 1953

TO: Commander, Second Air Force, Barksdale AF Base, Louisiana

1. Attention is invited to the problem of insurance covering sports car racing events, as presented in Section X of this report. It is recommended that:

a. Commanders holding sports car races on their bases require a statement from the Sports Car Club of America explaining the SCCA's understanding of the insurance coverage for the proposed sports car races.

b. Part of the fee paid by bases to the SCCA for staging sports car races be used by the SCCA to employ an attorney to take care of the insurance interest of the SCCA and SAC bases holding sports car races.

Thayer S. Olds

THAYER S. OLDS
Brigadier General, USAF
Commander

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SOWEGA INTERNATIONAL SPORTS CAR RACES

SUBJECT: Report on SOWEGA International Sports Car Races held at Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia, on 25 October 1953

TO : Commander
40th Air Division
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

1. The following report is submitted on the SOWEGA International Sports Car Races held at Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia, on 25 October 1953.

2. For clarity and easy reference to the various functions, the report is presented in the following manner:

Section I.....Business Manager
Section II.....Publicity Officer
Section III.....Ticket Sales Officer
Section IV.....Facilities Officer
Section V.....Race Operations Officer
Section VI.....Programs Officer
Section VII.....Procurement Officer
Section VIII.....Personnel Officer
Section IX.....Reception & Entertainment
Section X.....Legal Office

3. During the planning phases for this year's race event reports from other Bases were studied and many recommendations were incorporated into our plan. Every effort was made throughout to evenly divide the workload between the two Combat Wings and the Air Base Group. Changes had to be made several times because of the nature of the tactical mission of the Base but it believed that segments of work allotted the Wings were adequately carried out.

4. Organization. a. Personnel assigned to the Race Committee as indicated on the attached organization chart, were under the control of the Race Project Officer.

b. Preliminary planning was conducted on a part time basis until 2 August 1952, when a Race Headquarters was established and the Project Officer, Publicity Officer and Ticket Sales Officer, started functioning on a full time basis. Other sections and personnel began on a full time basis as they were needed.

c. The Albany Citizens Committee was organized on 3 September 1953, and a luncheon meeting held at the Officers Mess in order for Military-Civilian counterparts to become acquainted and to have an exchange of ideas.

5. Approximately 90 days prior to race day the Project Officer compiled population statistics within a radius of 100 and 150 miles of Albany, Georgia. As indicated on the attached map the area comprising SouthWest, Georgia, is sparsely populated with the largest population center (Atlanta) over 170 miles distance from Turner. The Project Officers early estimation of a crowd of over 32,000 was high in view of the 20,000 in attendance.

6. Approximately 4,000 entry blanks, prepared for the 2nd SOWEGA National Sports Car Races, were printed and forwarded on August 20 to SCCA Headquarters, Westport, Conn., for subsequent mailing to its membership. On the 3rd of September, 1953 we were advised that the Race was on the International Calendar and would be run under F. I. A. rules. This caused a reprint of the entry blanks at Westport.

7. At the time of appointment of the Race Committee the Turner Airmen Living Improvement Fund Council voted to grant a total of $10,000 toward the expenses for this year's race. It is believed that $2,500 would have been sufficient as income derived from advance sales, advertising in the official program helped to keep the fund in the black at all times.

8. The selection of the General Race Chairman and his assistants began in early June and finalized itself on August 20, 1953, just prior to the submission of the entry blanks for printing. This was handled mostly through correspondence to the various members of the SCCA. At 0800 hours Saturday 24 October 1953, the Race Operation functions reverted from Military Control to the supervision of this Race Committee. The Military Committee was held in support of the Civilian Committee throughout the race.

9. On 28 September 1953, the Race Legal Officer, finalized our contract with Baur & Christensen, 175 West Jackson Boulevard, Chicago, Ill., for insurance coverage of the Race. On the 14th of October Col. T. K. Field, Chariman of National Events for SCCA, arrived after having attended a meeting with AAA in New York City. Col. Field advised that the Contest Board of AAA required that their insurance be utilized for drivers, pit crewmen and Officials. Letters were prepared to Bauer & Bauer requesting cancellation. The contract was cancelled and insurance coverage obtained from the Continental Casualty Company, 310 South Michigan Avenue, Chicago 4, Ill. Just prior to race day, members of the SCCA expressed dissatisfaction with the policy in that it would not permit women as pit crew members. At a meeting of participants it was voted to donate the entry fee toward purchase of insurance for these personnel. An insurance contract was obtained from Baur & Christensen for these personnel.

10. On Saturday 24 October 1953, Mr. John L. Negley, Jr., 1800 Warren, Street, New Cumberland, Penna., died of multiple injuries received as a result of an accident during the mandatory practice runs.

11. The Race Project Officer briefed the Squadron Commanders as to their responsibilities on the sale and accountability of tickets. In addition all First Sergeants and Sergeant Majors on the Base were briefed on the status of the race project from time to time. It is believed that ticket accountability and control was superior to anything seen to date.

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12. A comparasion of the operation of the concession stands over the 1952 event reflects a marked improvement. It is believed that this is attributable to the assignment of the function to individual squadrons and subsequent close supervision by Squadron Commanders.

13. Recommendations:

a. The organization structure of the Turner Air Force Base Race Committee proved satisfactory and quite workable, however it is believed that can be a more homogeneous assignment of functions between the Facilities Officer and the Race Operations Officer because of over-lay of duties.

b. That the flying field be closed at least by Wednesday afternoon prior to race day on Sunday. This will allow a sufficient amount of time to install the communications and public address systems and give more time to the erection of grandstands, concessions stands and latrines.

Joe R. Williams

JOE R. WILLIAMS
Col., USAF
Project Officer

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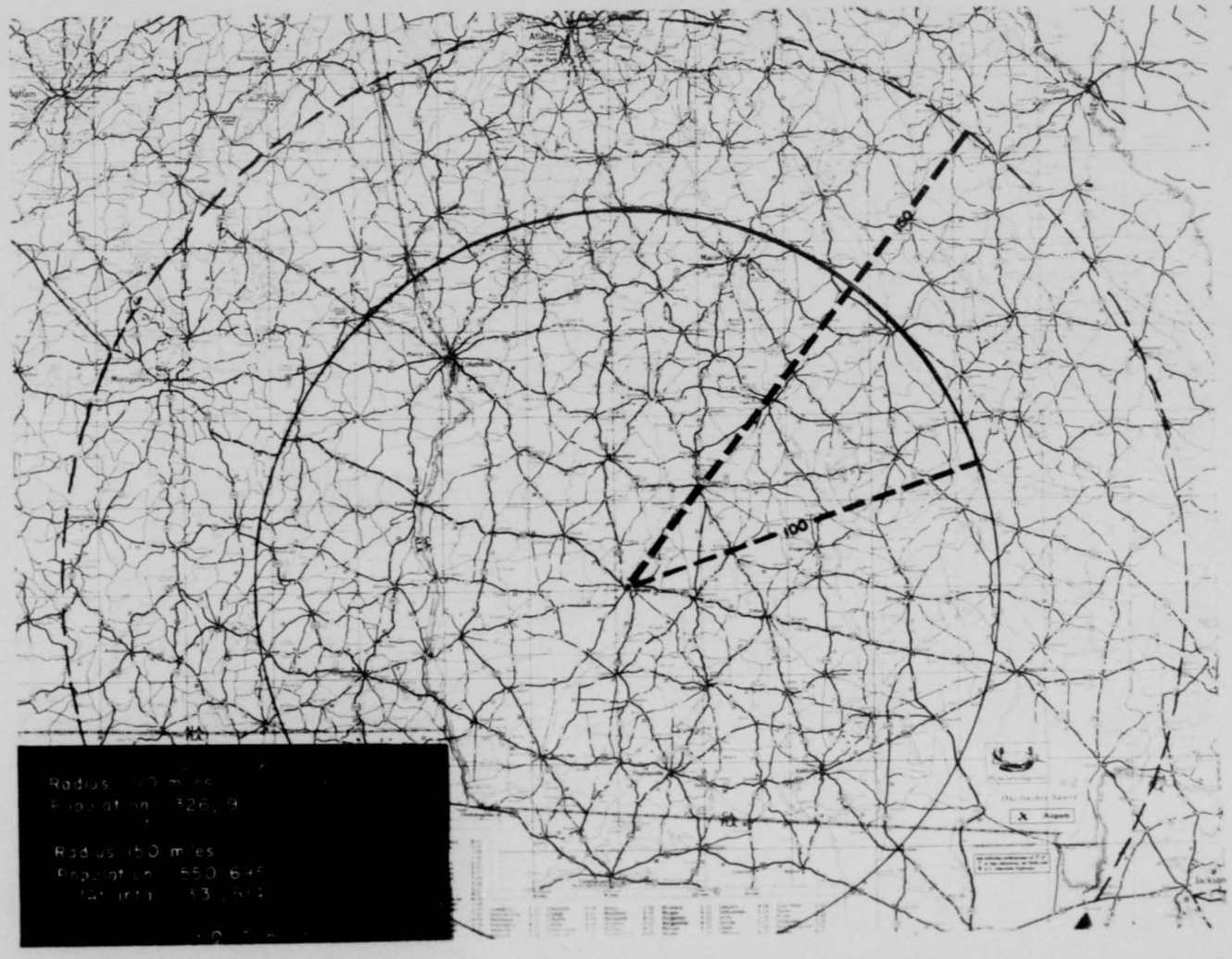
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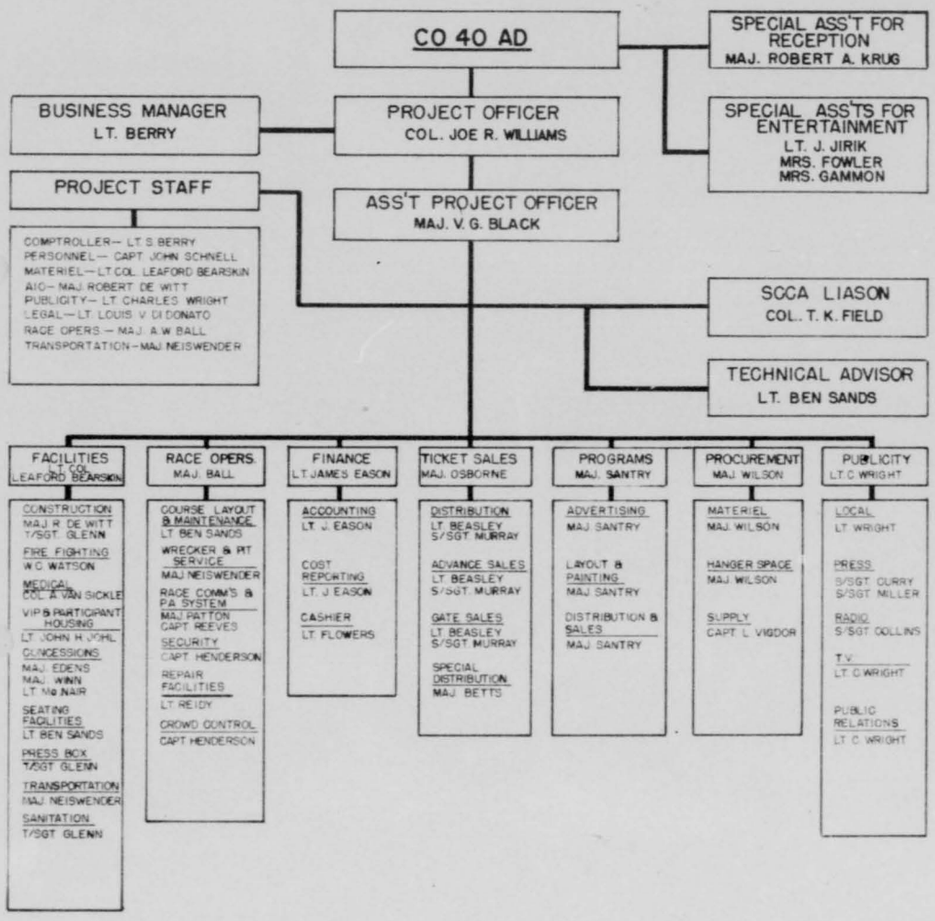
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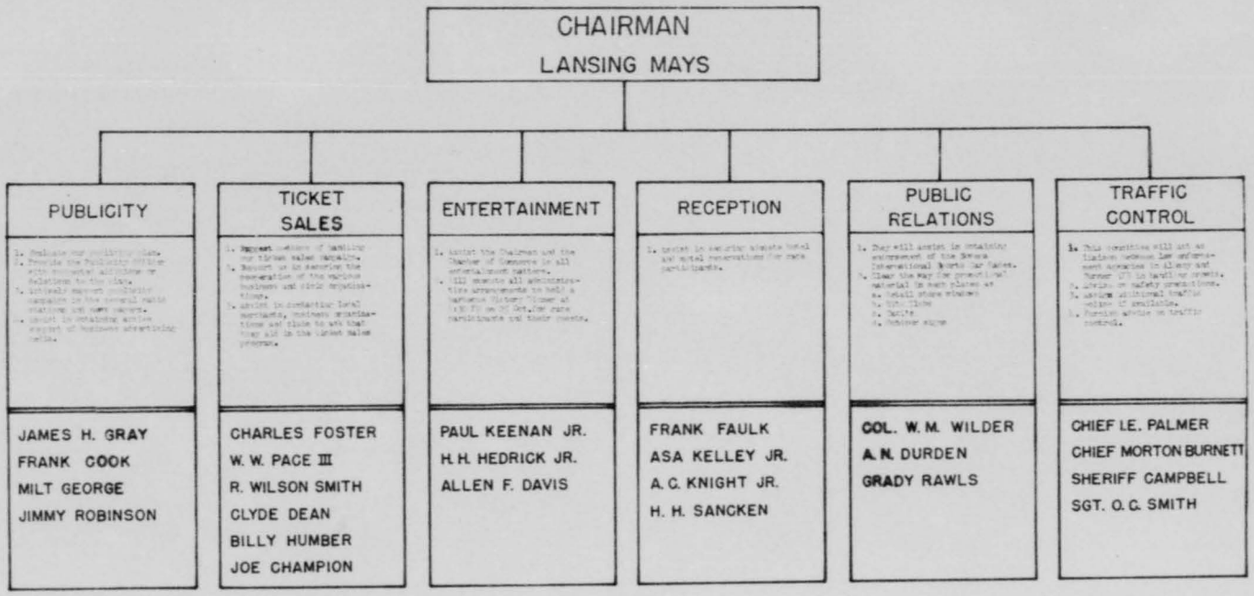

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BUSINESS MANAGER

SOWEGA INTERNATIONAL SPORT CAR RACES

I. MISSION AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

The mission of the Race Comptroller: to advise the Race Project Officer on matters pertaining to the financial aspects of the race and to be responsible for the maintenance and operation of accounting records reflecting receipts and disbursements of monies. Responsibilities included development of internal control wherein money or funds were concerned. The Comptroller's responsibilities included the operation of a cash receiving and disbursing point of concession operation, ticket sales operation, and program sales operation on race day. Responsibilities also included the preparation and submission of weekly financial statements regarding the status of the expenditure budget and statement of income and expense.

II. MISSION PERFORMANCE:

A. Organization

1. The organizational structure used by the Comptroller in performing his responsibilities and mission was as simple as possible. The accounting responsibility was delegated to the custodian of the CNWF, who personally set up the ledgers and made all entries in the accounting system, and prepared all checks for disbursements. This was recognized as the Accounting Section.

2. The second section was the Finance Section in which an officer was delegated the responsibility and authority for all cash collections pertaining to income from race activities. The circumstances were such that the Finance Officer of the race was the Management Analysis Officer and he additionally had the responsibilities for the development of procedures relating to internal control for race day operations relative to ticket sales, program sales, and concession operation.

B. Accounting System.

The accounting system which was utilized was originally set up by Major John J. Smith, Base Comptroller, prior to his departure for school. The accounting system and implementing procedures are attached as Inclosure 3 to this report. The system was not adhered to in a precise manner because of a change in requirements prior to the race. The original accounting system provided for the recording of contingent liabilities of the race project (wherein issues of non-expendable items of supply were made to the race project and the liability would be dropped upon return to government stocks.) Also, preparation was made for the recording of personnel costs in the accounting system as well as the use of expendable supplies issued from government stocks. However, prior to the race, amendment to SAC Reg 176-6 was received which stated that personnel cost incurred for duty time work on the race, and would not be reimbursable to the government. Therefore, the accounting system consisted primarily of a ledger and journal to record categorically the receipts and disbursements of race organizations.

C. Publication of Financial Statements.

There was a weekly publication of financial statements. The format used for such publications is attached as Inclosure 1 & 2 to this report. The format is that essentially of that of the Aircraft Fuel and Lubricants Trial Balance report RCS AF-C47. Such a format was useful to the race management in determining progress made from one week to another in terms of ticket sales income, program income and other income. A status of expenditure budget report was also published showing the authorized amount for each category of expense and the amount which had been expended against that authorization. Any changes to authorizations were explained in summary fashion as a part of the report on the status of expenditure budget.

III. PROCEDURES

The following procedures were utilized effecting distribution of tickets to the officers and airmen of Turner AFB:

A. Ticket Sales.

1. The Ticket Sales Officer was the accountable officer for all tickets. Each squadron commander was made an assistant ticket sales officer who was accountable for all tickets issued to him for further distribution to the members of the squadron. The squadron commander, upon issuance of tickets to members of his squadron, maintained a roster of accountability on each individual recording issuance and turn-in of tickets, indicating the balance of tickets still on hand and not sold. At the termination of ticket sales activities, each squadron commander received the tickets from those to whom he issued tickets and relieved the individual members of the squadron of ticket accountability either by receipt of tickets, dollars, or both. The account of each member of the squadron had a "zero" balance. The squadron commander then settled his account with the Ticket Sales Project Officer.

2. During the ticket sales program all cash received by the squadron commanders from members of their organizations was turned in periodically to the Race Finance Officer. The Race Finance Officer prepared a receipt in triplicate entitled "Ticket Cash Receipt". The duplicate and triplicate copies were returned to the squadron commander for his record. The original copy was kept by the Finance Officer for his record and further audit. When the squadron commander settled his account with the Ticket Sales Officer, the duplicate receipt was used as evidence of cash turn-in from ticket sales. The triplicate copy of the receipt was retained by the squadron commander for his permanent record of cash turn-in.

B. Program Sales.

Each program salesman was issued on receipt a specified number of programs. If the individual salesman so desired, a specified amount of cash was issued to him by the Race Finance Officer on race day. Upon completion of program sales, the individual salesman first reported to the Race Finance Officer who received all cash and prepared a receipt for that cash turn-in in triplicate. The program salesman received the duplicate and triplicate for his personal record and settlement with the

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Program Sales Officer. At the time of cash turn-in, if the salesman received any cash for change-making purposes the receipt for that cash was taken by the Race Finance Officer and together with the Race Finance Officer's copy was destroyed.

C. Concession Operation.

1. Cash handling procedures of each concession stand will be covered in the report of the Concession Stand Officer. Information contained in this report will deal primarily with the cash collection and receipt procedures between the cash collection and receiving center and the individual concession stands. Each concession operator was issued $50 for change-making purposes at the beginning of his tour as the responsible officer for the operation of the individual concession stand. The concession stand operator was issued cash on the triplicate receipting system. Concession stand operators received the duplicate and triplicate forms of the receipt, and the Race Finance Center retained the original. At the time each concession operator completed his tour of duty, all cash that he had received from concession stand sales, plus the $50 received for change-making purposes, were taken to the Race Finance Center for settlement. His successor as the responsible officer for the concession stand operation received another issue of $50 for change-making purposes and a settlement was made with the Finance Center upon completion of his tour as the concession stand operator.

2. The Race Finance Center on race day conducted a mobile cash making operation wherein two officers using a vehicle continually toured all concession stands either issuing cash for change-making purposes where the requirement existed or picking up and receiving cash in excess of the need. The receipting system used for this procedure was the same as previously outlined.

D. Race Finance Center.

1. Staffing:

The Race Finance Center on race day was under the personal supervision of the Race Comptroller with the assistance of the custodian of the CNWF, the Race Finance Officer, the Base Finance Officer, and three airmen experienced in cash handling and accounting. The receipting system utilized was as previously discussed in other sections of this report. All receipts provided space for the notation on the receipt from what sales operation the income was from. This notation provided a method to determine the respective sources of race day income and also provided a means to incorporate race day income on the separate items on the race financial statements.

2. Security:

All members of the Race Finance Center were armed.

3. Operations:

The receipts for cash income and disbursements were filed categorically as to the type of sales once the cash was received. All

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money turned in was counted by the individual turning in money and by the member of the cash Finance Center in order to secure maximum accuracy and correctness. The three airmen assigned to the Race Finance Center were primarily used in the counting of funds for deposit with the Bank and also were used in the detailed counting following the close of Finance Center operations on race day. Of great assistance to the Race Finance Center was a change counter obtained from the banking facility located on Turner Air Force Base. Many man hours of change counting were saved through the use of this machine.

VI COMMENTS ON PROCEDURES

The internal control procedures utilized for cash accountability relative ticket sales, concession stand sales and program sales are believed to have been very effective. The Race Finance Center operated on race day experienced a discrepancy of only $3.67 between actual cash and receipts for cash. The total cash handled was approximately $19,500. Inasmuch as final accountability has not been effected at this date, further comment on the receipting system is not appropriate. However, by virtue of all checks made to date, much consideration should be given to its adoption as a standard procedure for such a program.

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STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSE
As of_____ hours _____ 19___

	Total this week	Total last week	Net Gain this week
INCOME:			
Ticket Sales			
Program			
Entry Blanks			
Total			
EXPENSE:			
Program			
Postage			
Promotion & Sales			
Communications			
Total			
NET PROFIT OR LOSS			
ACCURED INCOME PROGRAM:			
Albany, Georgia			
Other			
Total			
Income Received			
Income Pledged, Not yet Received			
VALUE RECEIVED:			
Ticket Prizes			
Keenan-SOWEGA Trophy			
Total			

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OFFICE OF THE RACE COMPTROLLER
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

Date

STATUS OF EXPENDITURE BUDGET
SOWEGA International Sports Car Race

ITEM	AUTHORIZATION	EXPENDED	% EXPENDED
Ticket Printing			
Program			
Insurance			
Trophies			
Concession Stands			
SCCA			
Postage			
Travel			
Promotion & Sales			
Communications			
Bleachers			
Entertainment			
TOTAL			

SUMMARY:

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ACCOUNTING SYSTEM

SOWEGA INTERNATIONAL SPORTS CAR RACES

I. REQUIREMENTS

The following requirements are made previous to setting up any accounting system for the sports car races to be held in 1953.

1. No part of this system will take precedence over any positive requirement stipulated in AFR 170-16 or AFR 170-5.

2. There will be one person either delegated or hired for the express purpose of maintaining the accounts required by this system. This person alone will be responsible for maintaining the set of books.

3. The accountant will be physically located in the same building with the project officer of the race and, if possible in the same room. It will be the responsibility of the project officer to give the accountant the backing necessary to secure copies of all substantiating documents necessary to accomplish the mission.

II. MATERIAL

No material of any kind will be obtained without the approval of the Project Officer. There are two types of materials to be accounted for; purchased material and borrowed material.

1. Purchased Material Any person needing material for use in the sports car race will request same from the project officer by completing a purchase request Tab B which he can obtain from the accountant. When the Purchase Request is approved the procurement section of Base Material or the section requesting the material will obtain the necessary cost and quantity data from prospective sellers. After finding the seller quoting the lowest price for the quality desired the section will then order the goods.

a. The merchandise along with a copy of a creditors invoice is received from the vendor in accordance with par 9h, SAC Reg 176-5. The receiving agency will prepare a receiving report (Tab B-1). A duplicate copy of this receiving report and creditors invoice will be forwarded to the accountant, who, after comparing them with the purchase request, makes the following entry in the Voucher Register (Tab B-3)

Refreshment Expense - Food	15.00	
Accounts Payable - ABC Grocery		15.00

Of course, when the above amount is paid, the following entry is make in the Check Register (Tab B-4)

Accounts Payable - ABC Grocery	25.00	
Cash in Bank		25.00

2. Borrowed Material Persons desiring to borrow material from a unit of the Unites States Military Forces or a civilain agency will prepare a purchase request of the same type as mentioned in the preceding paragraph.

However, in this case, the box of the right hand side of the form will be completed. After approval, the original will be given the responsible officer for the material and will act as an IOU for the material. The duplicate will be used by the account to set up a contingent liability to the section concerned. When the material is returned, the borrowing officer will pick up the hand receipt and forwarded same to the accountant who will use it to clear the contingent liability.

3. Petty Cash Since all of the major payments are made by check, it is necessary to make some provisions for small and infrequest payments to be made in currency. This is achieved by setting aside a fund of money to be used for such payments, which is known as a Petty Cash or Imprest Chas System. This fund of $50.00 will be in the hands of the Project Officer. For each payment of cash a receipt must be obtained, signed by the person receiving the money; this is accomplished by the use of a petty cash voucher (See Tab B-2). These slips are kept in the petty cash box and when the fund reaches a critical balance, the Project Officer will submit the petty cash voucher to the accountant, who will replenish the fund by check to its original amount.

III. TYPES OF REVENUE

There are several methods of obtaining revenue or income and each will be treated separately. The general rule, however, of having each transaction pass through the accountant will apply to all types. Income will be broken down to Ticket Income, Program Income, Refreshment Income, and Other Income.

1. Ticket Income Base tickets will be prenumbered and will be delivered to chairman of the Ticket Committee by the printer. The chairman of the Ticket Committee will maintain a set of accounts which will reflect the liability of various people to the chairman of the ticket committee for tickets received from him.

a. The money obtained from ticket sales will be turned over to the Race Finance Officer who will prepare a standard receipt form as shown in Tab C-1. This skip will be prepared in triplicate; the duplicate and triplicate will be given to the individual making returns, the original will be forwarded to the accountant. The triplicate will be given to the Chairman by the individual making returns. The Race Finance Officer will be responsible for making all deposits. From the consolidated receipts the accountant will make the following entry in the Cash Receipts-Revenue Journal (Tab C-2).

Cash	60.00	
Tickets Accounts Receivable		60.00

2. Program Income There are two types of program income, namely income received from the sale of programs, and income received from advertising by business firms. A record will be kept of the total number of programs issued each person for sale and he will be responsible to turn all cash received plus excess programs to the chairman of the program committe. The Race Finance Officer will make up cash receipt slips from cash turned in by the program chairman in triplicate to which will be proceedes in the same manner as discussed for Ticket Income. Form consolidated cash receipt slips

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the accountant will make the following entry in the Cash Receipts-Revenue Journal:

Cash	100.00	
Program Income		100.00

3. Refreshment Income The original change fund presents no problem since it will be issued to the supervisor of each stand on Race Day. A Change booth will be set up in Base Operations on the day of the race and the Race Finance Officer will be in charge. He and his assistants will handle all receipts and disbursements in accordance with the procedures outlined in Tab C-2. The receipts for the sale of refreshment will be turned over to the accountant who will make the following entry in the Cash Receipts-Revenue Journal:

Cash	75.00	
Refreshment Income		75.00

One important factor that must be kept in mind and stressed is that only one person, perferably an officer, will handle the money in each refreshment booth.

IV. STATEMENTS

1. Prior to and after the race, the Accountant will at specified intervals prepare the Business Manager a detailed list of the expenditures to date, categorized by the different budget sections.

2. At the same time, the Finance Officer will prepare for the Business Manager a detailed list of receipts according to category; tickets, program, refreshments, etc.

3. The business manager will consolidate these two reports, together with any possible contingent liabilities and assets (deferred program income) and prepare the balance sheet and profit and loss statement for the specified period.

4. This same procedure will be followed until the final accounting of receipts and expenditures are made. After the final accounting has been completed, the balance of the account will be deposited into the Consolidated Non-Appropriated Welfare Fund Account. The custodian of the Welfare Fund will then assume the responsibility of the funds and the accounting thereof.

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REQUEST FOR PURCHASE OR LOAN OF MATERIAL

The undersigned requests the following Material to be Purchased or Borrowed to be used during the SOWEGA Sports Car Races for 1953. The material will be used for

Date:
Date Wanted
Number:

Signature

Purchase			Loan		
Amt	Item	Max Price	Item	Cost	Loaning Agency

A purchase request is considered necessary in order to have control over the buying which will be done during the peak period of the Sports Car Race. It is realized that some purchases will be made b verbal approval of the Project Officer or certain assistants. However, these should be the exception rather than the rule. If this occurs, the accountant will have each invoice approved by the Project Officer before any postings or payments are made.

The request for purchase is not a substantiating document for any entries to the Purchase Journal. It will be used to substantiate invoices or statements which are received from vendors.

The request for loan will be a substantiating document for entries to the purchase journal. Entries will be made as explained in appendix.

The ferm is considered self-explanatory. It will be prepared by the requesting officer personally.

RECEIVING REPORT

Purchase Request No._____ Receiving List No._____

Received From: Date_____ 19 _____

Item	Auantity	Price
Material Counted By:		

The above form is self-explanatory and will be used in comparison with request and invoice for entries in the voucher register.

PETTY CASH VOUCHER

Date _____ 19____

Name _____

Change _____

For	Amount

Received Payment _____

The above voucher will be used for any expenditure from petty cash.

Tab B-3

Date	Voucher Payable to	Paid												Control Ledger	
														Dr.	Cr
27 Nov	Brown & Co			25.00		25.00									
28 Nov	Base Comm			10.00				10.00							
	ABC Grocery			15.00						15.00					
29 Nov	C. L. Insurance			100.00										100.00	

When the initial expenses are insurred an entry is made in the Voucher Register taking into consideration the applicable columns. When Checks are given in payment of the expense and the necessary entry is made in the check register the accountant will make an entry in the paid column for the applicable expense showing date pain and check no.

To give examples in the above register the following assumptions are made:

27 Nov - Purchas office supplies from Brown & Co $25.00
28 Nov - Incur utility expense - received telephone bill from Base Comm for $10.00
28 Nov - Purchased food for concession form ABC Grocery in amount of $15.00
29 Nov - Purchased insurance form C.L. Insurance Co. for $100.00

CHECK REGISTER

Tab B-4

Date	Check Payable to	Voucher No.	Check No.	Cash in Bank Cr.	Purchase Discount Cr.	Accounts Payable Control Dr.	Petty Cash Dr.
30 Nov	Brown & Co	29	28	$25.00		$25.00	
	ABC Grocery	31	29	$13.50	$1.50	$15.00	
1 Dec	Base Comm	30	30	$10.00		$10.00	
2 Dec	C.L. Ins Co.	32	21	$100.00		$100.00	

Each entry going into this journal must first be make in the voucher Register. These two books of original entry work together to accomplish their mission which is the amount of Cash expended., the amount still owing, and the difference types of expenses incurred.

Assume we pay the following bills for example purposes:

30 Nov - Pay Brown & Co. for office supplies of $25.00
30 Nov - Pay ABC Grocery for food retailing for $15.00 - the $1.50 was a purchase discount.
1 Dec - Payment of telephone bill to Base Comm in amount of $10.00
2 Dec - Payment of C.L. Insurance Co. for $100.00 Insurance.

TICKET ISSUE SLIP

Date _____

I certify that I have received the following tickets from the Chairman of the Sports Car Race for 1953.

_____ No. of Tickets

From No._____ to No_____

_____ _____

Chairman Signature

This form is considered self-explanatory and will be prepared by the chairman of the ticket committee or his assignee. The original will be given to the individual who signs his name to the issue slip. The duplicate will be forwarded to the accountant who will compute the money value of the tickets which will be sold, and will make the discussed entry in the Cash Receipts - Revenue Journal

CASH RECEIPTS - REVENUE JOURNEL

Dt	Explanation	F O L i o	Cash on Hand		Cash in Bank	Ticket Account Received		Accounts Received General		Revenues		
			Dr	Cr	Cr	Dr	Cr	Dr	Cr	Ticket Income	Program Income	Refreshment Income
Nov	Issue Tickets					$50				$500.00		
Nov	Control Adv						$50				$50.00	
Nov	Sale of Prog		$100								$100.00	
Nov	Sale of Refsh		$75.									$75.00
Nov	Deposit			$100	$100.00							

All Cash received will be turned in to the Race Finance Officer, who will deposite the money in the bank daily. He will be responsible for preparing a bank deposit slip and forwarding same to the accountant daily who will in turn make the following entry in the Cash Receipt Journal.

Cash in Bank $50.00
Cash on Hand $50.00

The date of the cash receipt will be entered under the date column. The person or agency returning the cash will be entered under the explanation column. The Number of the cash receipt will be entered under the folio column. The amount of the deposit will (if any deposit slip is posted) as entered under the Cash in Bank column. The amount of the cash received will be entered under the Cash on Hand column. The amount of the cash will then be spread to its proper source in the other columns as shown in the examples above.

Example enteries is the above Journal were taken from the study.

CHANGE FUND SLIP

I have received the following amount of cash to be used as change in selling _____

Amount $ _____

_____
Signature

The above form will be used on Race Day to account for money issued to various agencies for change. It is expected that a minimum of $3000.00 will be needed for change and a record must be maintained.

The accounting method is to use the change fund receipt as an issue slip. When the individual is making returns, have him give the Base Finance Officer enough money to redeem his change fund slip. This money will be placed in a cash box with the rest of the change fund. A receipt (cash) will be prepared for the balance of his money and the proper distribution make to the proper account.

At this point it is repeated that only two persons should be authorized to disburse change and accept returns on race day. This is a must

CASH RECEIPTS FORM

_____
Date

Cash Receiver $ _____

From _____

As Payment for _____

_____
Signature

The above form is considered self-explanatory and will be prepared by the Base Finance Officer. The "payment for" blank will be completed by entering the item paid for. Ex. Tickets, Programs, Refreshments etc.

PUBLICITY

SOWEGA INTERNATIONAL SPORTS CAR RACES

II

I. MISSION AND RESPONSIBILITY OF PUBLICITY DEPARTMENT

The Publicity Department was assigned the responsibility by the Race Project Officer of disseminating information, news releases, pictures, radio spot announcements, television and theatre film to the various news media where it would be most effective in order to inform the public and try to induce attendance at the races.

II. REPORT OF THE ACTION TAKEN TO ACCOMPLISH THIS MISSION

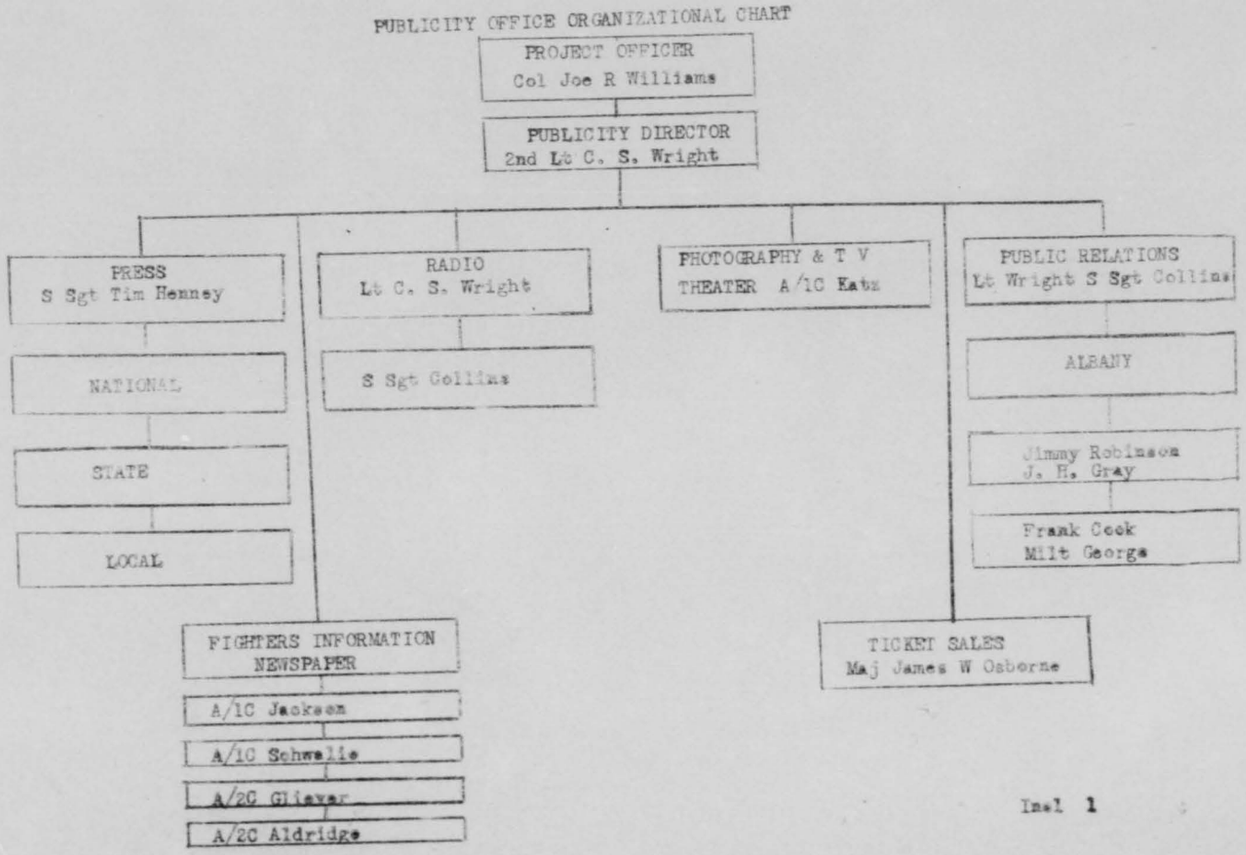
INCL 1 Organizational Chart
Incl 2 News Coverage
Incl 3 Television Coverage
Incl 4 Radio Coverage
Incl 5 Posters, Film and Bumper Tag Distribution
Incl 6 Pure Oil Company Publicity
Incl 7 On-Base Publicity
Incl 8 Other Publicity
Incl 9 Handling of the Press

III. RECOMMENDATIONS

1. It is recommended that in the future no more bumper tag tie-ons be used. It is virtually impossible to tie the tags on some of the late model automobiles, other cars carry the license plate on the bumper, and invariably during distribution of the tags, the wire and the tags never come out even. Some men find themselves with tags and no wire and vice versa. It is strongly urged the use of smaller luminous type stickers which stick very neatly onto bumpers, do not scar the bumper, and are easily removed. This will cut down on the time involved in putting on the bumper tags and the luminous type sticker is much easier to read at night.

2. It is recommended that in the future arrangements be made which will insure that the publicity department will have copy writers and typists during the entire publicity campaign.

PUBLICITY OFFICE ORGANIZATIONAL CHART



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NEWS COVERAGE

The daily and weekly newspaper coverage was begun around 10 September by sending press kits to dailies and weeklies in the area surrounding Albany up to 150 miles. The larger dailies in the Southeastern U. S. were sent identical press kits at the same time. Three weeks before the races our daily list of newspapers was augmented by the addition of 62 other dailies from coast to coast.

The first news releases dealt primarily with generalities, explaining the purpose of the races, pointing out the facts that the SCCA is strictly an amateur organization, stressing the fact that the winners of the races would receive no cash (but rather, just a trophy), and explaining what the profits of the races would be used for and showing pictures of what the profits were used for last year. As news releases were increased, the nature of the releases naturally changed to meet the changing progress of the event.

When the first entries were received the releases were slanted toward the actual drivers and the cars they would drive, their background, record in previous races, record of their particular car and the car as a class. These releases were also sent to the drivers' home town newspapers, hoping to create interest there.

Beginning the first week in October, releases were increased in number to the dailies until the final week before the races at which time news releases were released daily along with an ample supply of pictures. The very last releases stressed the importance of purchasing tickets early to avoid any delay at the gate on race day.

There was advertising in 37 daily newspapers, 12 news syndicates and Feature Magazines, 116 weekly newspapers, 36 Military Service news papers, and 71 newspapers under national newspaper coverage.

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TELEVISION COVERAGE

The plan for television coverage for the Sowega International Sports Car Races was as follows:

On 17 September an introductory letter was sent out to 26 television stations in the five state area of Georgia, Alagama, Florida, and the Carolinas. Included with the letter was the same "press Kit" sent earlier to the newspapers and radio stations. The station managers were requested to give portions of regularly scheduled sports shows and/ or spot film showings of the film which would be shown to them later by a representative from the publicity department.

On 21 September the first replies from the television stations were received from five stations and all stations seemed very eager to cooperate with our campaign.

On 15 September a 35 mm motion picture of sports cars in action (complete with sound) was sent to Strickland's Film Service in Atlanta for re-editing and reproducing. Form this film the Strickland's Film Service reproduced 16 (16 mm film) for use on television stations in this area and 21 (35 mm film) for use in motion picture theaters in this area. The films ran for 36½ seconds, were brief and comical, and were ideal for a television station break period - enabling 21½ seconds for station identification.

On 30 September two (2) representatives from the publicity department departed Turner AFB on a trip which carried them throughout the states of South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama, and parts of North Carolina and Florida where they distributed, picked up, and redistributed film until 24 October. The two men covered a total of 17 television stations also on with several radio stations and a few motion picture theaters. The men also requested and were granted permission to make a number of television appearances on the various television stations. These appearances were in the form of interviews or brief speeches and varied in the natures of types of programs from sports programs to women's shows.

The television stations which ran our films ranged from short-range UHF stations such as WDAK-TV in Columbus, Georgia to long-range VHF Network stations such as WSB-TV in Atlanta and WBT-TV in Charlotte, N. C. which had a tremendous television audience.

Considering the fact that the large majority of our television coverage was in the area furtherest away from Albany, and considering the fact that the television campaign was well worth the time and effort involved.

There was advertising on 17 TV networks, and 14 radio stations.

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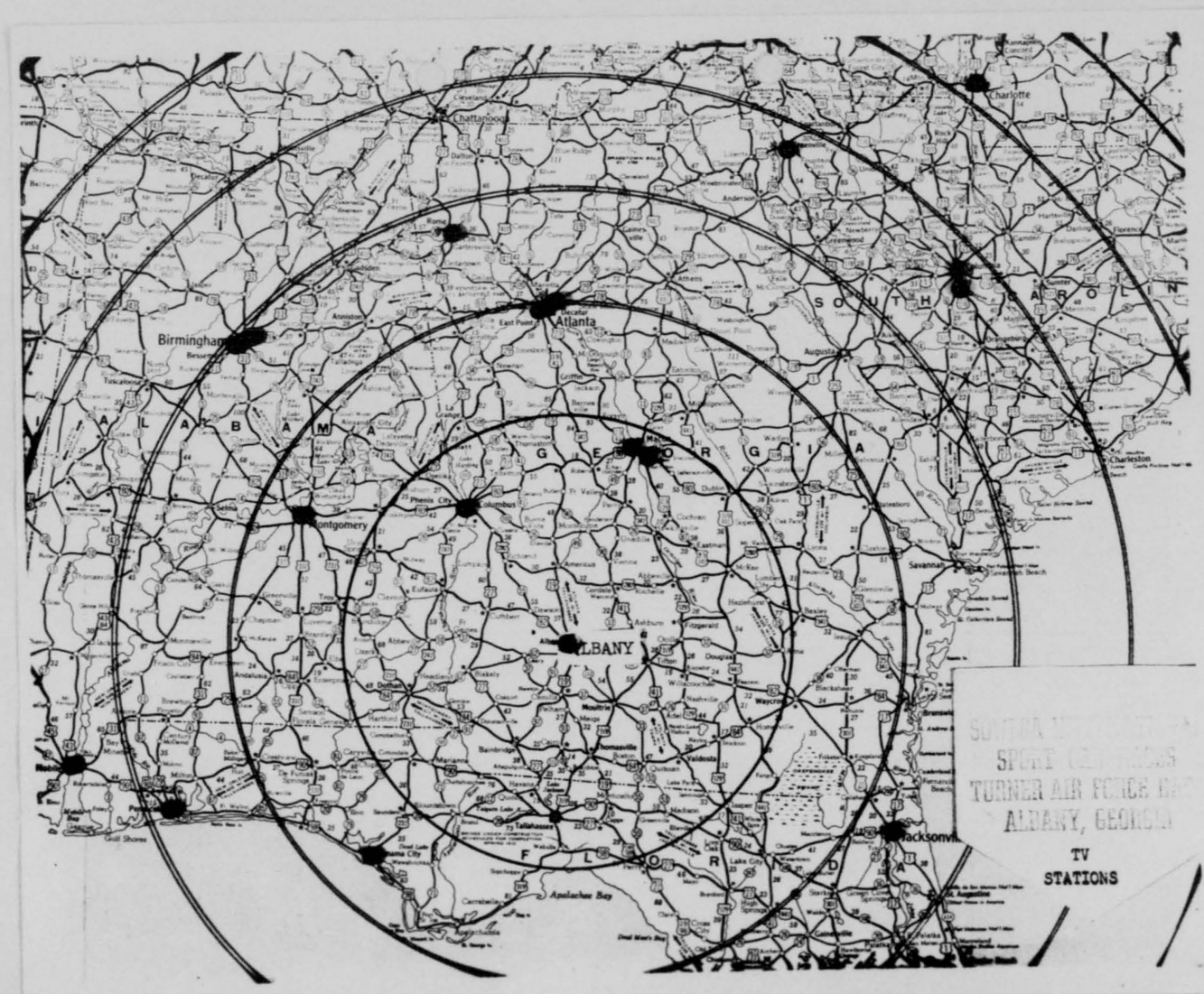

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RADIO COVERAGE

The radio campaign for publicizing the Sowega International Sports Car Races was very similar to the television campaign.

In mid-September 50 radio recording discs were produced from a tape recording made here at Turner AFB. The discs contained 7 spot announcements very similar to the ones contained in the "press kit." The recorded spots, however, were complete with sound effects. The spots ranged in length from 20 seconds to 55 second announcements.

In addition to the recorded spot announcements distributed to the key radio stations in the Georgia, East Alabama, and North Florida area, the television team distributed discs and material to the more powerful stations in Charlotte, Columbia, Atlanta, Rome, Ga., Birmingham, Montgomery, Mobile, Pensacola, Panama City, Tallahassee, and Jacksonville.

All of the radio stations were sent regular news releases for radio on a similar basis as the newspaper releases.

In addition to this coverage, the regularly scheduled PIO radio programs broadcast over the three albany stations were utilized primarily for interviews and information on the races.

The three Albany radio stations cooperated 100 percent and used our stories over their newscasts and sportscasts.

Radio station WALB broadcast the races intermittently for over four hours on Sunday October 25. WSB Atlanta broadcast the main event from 4:00 until the finish on the same day.

There were 39 radio stations who carried radio advertising in Georgia, 16 stations in Florida, and 10 stations in Alabama.

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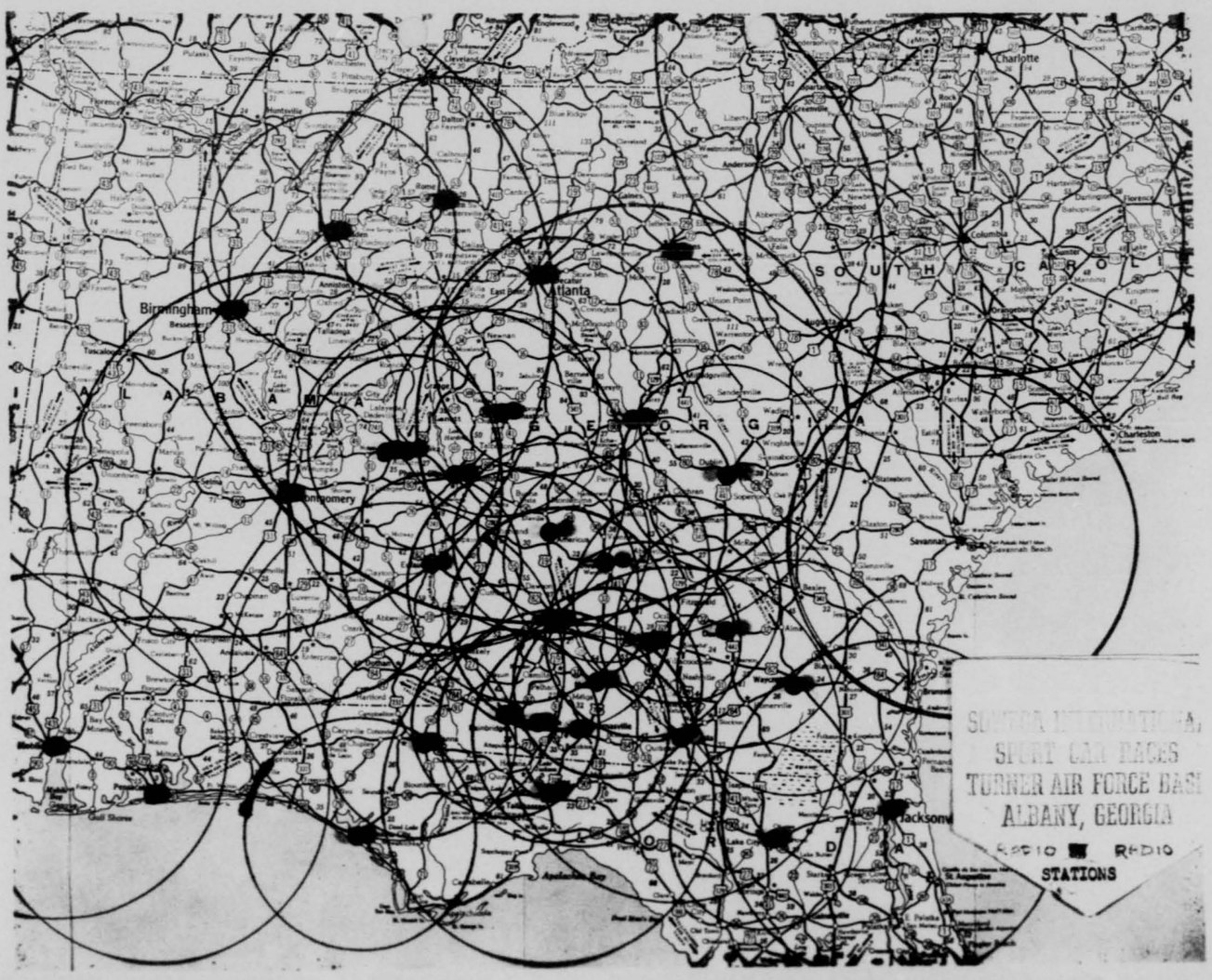
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POSTERS, FILM AND BUMPER TAGS

About the first of October a team of men commenced distributing 2500 window display posters advertising the races. Simultaniously, the theater film strips were distributed to independent theaters in the Southwest Georgia area. The theater film was kept in the immediate Sewega area as much as possible due to the limited number of films; however, they were rotated so as to cover as many theaters as possible and there were five films running in Albany for about 10 days prior to the races up until race day.

The posters were distributed in cities throughout Southwest Georgia in such a pattern that we felt would be seen by the most people. The posters were consentrated in town located on major cities leading into Albany such as U. S. highways 19, 82, etc. The trailways Moter Coach Company aided us a great deal in this distribution as they distributed posters in eight key Georgia and North Carolina Cities.

On 5 October 2500 bumper-tag tie-ons were received from the Gettier-Montayne Co. in Maryland and were distributed through wholesalers and distributing firms in Albany plus on base distribution. The bumper tags were about three feet long and eight inches wide, black lettering on a yellow background. They told what the race was, where it was, when it was, and the price. They tied on car bumpers with duragle wire which came with the tags.

There were seventy-six (76) distributors licated in Albany for these bumper tags

They included, hardware, candy, grocery, liquor, paint, dry good stores; electrical, paper, resterant,mill, theater, radio and television, air conditioning, heating, welding, florist, janitor, mercantile, veterinary, roofing, sheet metal, auto paint supply houses etc.

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PURE OIL COMPANY PUBLICITY

The Pure Oil Company advertised the races very effectively throughout Georgia and Alabama with a newspaper and radio campaign. In eight (8) key Georgia and Alabama newspapers the Pure Oil Company purchased 1248 line B&W-6 Column 208 line advertisements which ran daily for a week prior to the races. Smaller ads of the same type were run in papers with less circulation.

Pure Oil Stations in the two state area were furnished with race information folders which showed a map of the race course, gave the routing to Albany from the Midwest, Northwest, West, Southwest, and Florida East coast; It also included admission prices, and parking information, where to purchase tickets, schedule of events, racing flags and what they mean, official timing charts, quick facts on sports cars, last year's winners, pictures, and of course, information about Pure Oil and gasoline.

The Pure Oil Company also contributed two 25 foot by 3 foot street banners which were hung across the two busiest intersections in Albany, along with five banners for gate entrances and banners to be used on the race course on race day and the day prior to race day.

For several days prior to the races, two column ads five inches deep were run in many Georgia and Alabama newspapers advertising free race information at Pure Oil Stations.

Several of the Pure Oil Stations in the better locations as far as traffic is concerned were furnished and sold a number of tickets to the races.

In the radio field, the Pure Oil Company purchased spot announcements on the Atlanta (50,000 watt NBC affiliate - WSB) along with several 15 minute programs. On race day the Pure Oil Company sponsored a broadcast of the portion on the main event from 4:00 P.M. until race was completed over radio station WSB, Atlanta.

In brief, the Pure Oil Company publicity campaign was efficient and very effective and very conceivable was responsible for a good many fans who attended the races from cities where the Pure Oil Company advertised.

ON-BASE PUBLICITY

On-base publicity was begun in mid-June with the announcement that a portion of the profits from the Sowega races would be utilized for the purpose of constructing a dance pavilion. This, of course, referred to the profits of the 1952 Sowega races. A little later, after surveys were made on the base, it was announced that a wheel bearing alignment machine would be purchased out of the 1952 Sowega funds and installed in the automotive hobby shop. After curtains were purchased from the funds (curtains for the mess halls), the remainder of the funds, less an amount set aside for taxes and expenditures, wer distributed among the individual squadrons on the base and all attached units of Turner AFB to be used as each squadron saw fit.

It was agreed in July at a meeting of the Airmen's Living Improvement Fund Council that all profits from the 1953 Sowega races would be pro-rated among the squadrons on 31 January 1953 unless some approved project had been agreed upon and begun by that date.

In August the base newspaper (Fighters Information) released a story stating that plans were underway for staging the 1953 Sowega races which should be much bigger, much better, and much more successful than the 1952 races.

On September 11 the Fighters Information headlined the story of Sowega 1953 being made "International" in scope, and continued to run front page stories along with numerous pictures each week until the week after the races when the race results were listed along with other racing action and events of the week.

In early October over 3500 information sheets explaining the types and classes of sports cars and explaning the meaning of (cc) and other technical details were distributed to the squadrons for their information.

The theater film strip was run in the base theater about two weeks prior to the races and posters were placed at the most popular gathering places on the base when they arrived in early October. Bumper tags were tied on many of the vehicles on the base.

OTHER PUBLICITY

On September 11 - 14 letters were sent out to the following civic organizations in the SOWEGA area; Lions, Kiwanis, Rotary, VFW, and American Legion Clubs of Americus, Thomasville, Moultrie, Dawson, Bainbridge, Sylvester, Tifton, Cordele, Colquitt, and Camilla. We requested that the organizations permit us to schedule a speaker for one of their meetings in the near future. Since the"Operation Longstride" which had just been completed was of such interest to the people of Southwest Georgia, we compiled a speakers bureau entirely of pilots and men who participated in the operation. The speakers spoke on the highlight of "Operation Longstride" and then segwayed into a brief discussion of the Sowega International Sports Car Races. The program became so popular that we began receiving requests from other civic organizations in the area including high schools for the same type of speaker. We supplied as many as possible and I believe that the people who heard these speakers supported the races more than they would have otherwise done.

Prior to the beginning of the 1953 football season the Publicity Department contacted the high school principals in the Sowega area and requested that announcements be made over their public address systems publicizing the Sowega races. The announcements were furnished, several cards granting the requests were received, and I believe most schools went along with the idea.

About seven colleges were contacted in early September with similar requests and although some colleges are prohibited from making public announcements of this type due to certain contracts with radio stations and other university by-laws of one nature or another, some of the colleges were very cooperative, even allowing us to send posters and sell tickets through their AFROTC Commanders.

HANDLING OF THE PRESS

The radio and press people were handled in the simplest and most expeditious manner possible on the day prior to the race and on race day. Radio and press people were issued press arm bands at Race Headquarters along with a complete schedule of the races and drivers and background information on the drivers and their cars. The procedure was moved to the press and radio writing room in base operations on race day and worked out very smoothly. On Saturday October 24th a "press Briefing" was held for the press and radio people in the NCO Club where refreshments were served and they were briefed on precautions which must be taken for safety sake on race day. There were about 40 press people present. They were briefed about the SCCA by Mr. Dave Allen and about press handling on race day by Mr. Hayden Carter.

On race day the press room was available in Base Operations for any of the working press who desired to work there. Paper, carbon, typewriters, and other facilities were furnished for anyone desiring to use them. The press box, located at the starting line, was available for members of the working press who chose to do their writing there. Typewriters and paper were available there. By using a duplicating machine, the results of each race were run off in quantity almost immediately after the race and made available to everyone in the press box. A runner carried the results to the press room in base operations immediately after the results were available.

Free box lunches were available for all members of the press who desired them.

There were no complaints from any press people on the arrangement and have received a few letters of appreciation.

SOWEGA INTERNATION SPORTS CAR RACES

TICKET SALES

1. MISSION: The primary mission of the ticket sales committee of SOWEGA International Sport Car Race Headquarters was, through various methods, to bring about as high an advance ticket sale as possible. The committee was also charged with complete accountability and responsibility for all tickets printed, in this case, 99,500 tickets. In addition, the committee was also charged with race day gate sales as well as grandstand ticket sales.

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2. PERFORMANCE OF THE MISSION: An organizational chart of the Ticket Sales Committee is attached as Annex "F".

Distribution of tickets to the airmen and officers of Turner Air Force Base was the first step toward achievement of our mission. A sufficient quantity of tickets was placed with each unit of the base to allow every officer and airman ten tickets each. All unit commanders were appointed as assistant ticket sales officers. In order to provide incentive to the airmen in selling the tickets, merchants of Albany were solicited and a total of eighteen items of merchandise were donated to be given as prizes to the airmen selling the highest number of tickets. (A list of these prizes is attached as Annex "A") These items were immediately placed on display in the Base Headquarters building. As the days passes by, it was apparent that something additional was required as an incentive, and the Race Committee approved three cash awards: $300.00, $200.00, and $100.00 for first, second, and third highest ticket sellers respectively.

During the early part of October, a booth was constructed and placed in downtown Albany. This project was a failure inasmuch as the small number of tickets sold during the first week did not warrant the time put in by men manning the booth. The booth was closed down on approximately 4 October and it was planned to reopen it on the week before the races. Later projects developed that required the use of the booth and this was not done.

Plans were made for establishing ticket outlets in Southwest Georgia, and parts of Alabama and Florida. Three ticket committee personnel, Lt. Beasley, S/Sgt Byrd, and A/1C Currie, were selected for this project. The entire plan was drawn up in advance and required two and one-half weeks to place tickets for sale in thirty-six of the larger cities. The project was successful in that it was finished by the proposed time and sufficient outlets were established in all the towns. The personnel traveled with a loudspeaker and wherever possible announcement of the races was made together with the location where tickets could be purchased. In quite a few cities, ordinances prevented the use of the loudspeaker. Large numbers of posters advertising the races were also placed in these towns. (For a financial report on this project, consult Annex "B")

After ticket outlets had been established as set forth above, for approximately one week we sent ticket selling teams to several towns with an idea of merchant-to-merchant and house-to-house canvassing. Again, the number of tickets sold compared to the manpower expended forced us to abandon this project. A good example of this might be the town of Moultrie, Georgia, where, in an entire day of canvassing merchants and homes, only fifty tickets were sold.

It was firmly established from the poor advance sale of tickets that it was necessary that we secure sport cars to exhibit to the people. Consequently, Major Osborne called the Waco Motors in Miami, Florida, and arranged to pick up a Jaguar roadster at the Import Motors in Atlanta, Georgia. The value of this car as a crowd attracter was shown during the SOWEGA Fair and the Worth County Centennial. The Jaguar was not obtained until about one and one-half weeks before race day and the good publicity that we secured from it in this short period of time clearly showed that we should have had this car and others as least one month prior to the race. We were able, also, to have Colonel Davis Schilling's Cad-Allard on display at both events and also at about three local towns. These two cars afforded us great publicity and some ticket sales.

Approximately two weeks prior to race day we received permission to print and distribute to all Southwest Georgia grade school children a free admission ticket entitling them to a chance on one of ten free bicycles to be given away on race day. We were able to have Newcomb Furniture Company undergo the espenses of printing 70,000 of these tickets, and, to have the Albany Herald and the Burt Johnston Hardware Company donate the bicycles. The only cost to us was the cost involved in having six officers distribute the tickets to city and county school superintendents throughout Southwest Georgia. (A complete summary of this project is included as Annex "C")

The Southwest Georgia Fair was held at Albany from the 12th to the 17th of October. The booth which was planned for downtown operation was placed at this fair and ladies from the NCO Wives Club donated their services in its operation. This operation was placed under the supervision of Lt. Robert Dixon. During the last three days of the fair, we were able to have the Jaguar and the Cad-Allard on display. The same method of operation was employed at the Worth County Centennial at Sylvester, Georgia, from the 18th through the 24th of October. (A complete report of the two projects is combined and attached as Annex "D".) Lt. Dixon was assisted by the ladies of the Officer's Wives Club in the operation of the booth at Sylvester. Although actual ticket sales at these two events were not too good, the value in publicity made this project a worthy one.

A float was prepared at the Base and entered in the parade at the Worth County Centennial. An MG, secured from one of the officers on the base, was placed on the float for the parade. As soon as the bicycles were secured from Burt-Johnston Hardware Company, they were placed on the float, and on Friday and Saturday, the 23rd and 24th of October, the float

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was displayed in downtown Albany. One airman sold tickets around the booth on Friday afternoon, and five airmen were placed there on Saturday. The Jaguar was also with the float all day Saturday. We were assisted in our ticket sales this day by several civilians from the civilian ticket sales committee. The total number of tickets sold by this project approximated two hundred fifty (250).

The Ticket Sales Committee was naturally charged with the responsibility of race day gate ticket sales and grandstand ticket sales. Prior to race day we had stamped 21,250 regular tickets with the notation "GATE SALES-$1.50". In addition we had purchased five rolls of theater-type tickets and stamped each with the word "GRANDSTAND". The grandstand tickets sold for 75¢ each. In order to provide an officer at each of the entrance gates during the race and an officer at each of the three grandstands, a total of twenty officers and fifty-six airmen were used on race day. (For a financial statement on this project, consult Annex "E".)

An information sheet describing each race and the purpose of the races is attached as Annex "G". Ticket sales teams made thorough distribution of these sheets, with particular emphasis on military bases.

Copies of all receipts used by the committee in accountability of the tickets are combined and attached as Annex "H".

3. RECOMMENDATIONS:

a. In the event we plan on another race in 1954, I would recommend that we secure no less than six sport cars of various makes and models at least one month prior to the races. These cars should be used to publicise the races throughout Southwest Georgia, appearing on TV shows, demonstrations of speed, comfort, etc. to newspaper editors, chiefs of police, Chamber of Commerce organizations and city officials.

b. In the event of a "SOWEGA 1954," I would recommend a change in the grandstand arrangement of 1953. We figured this year that one officer and two airmen would be sufficient to man one grandstand, but the grandstands had been arranged with aisles, several of them, between sections and it was impossible to control the crowds. It would be my recommendation that no aisles be placed between sections and that the grandstand be all in one section. If this is done, crowd control would be better and one officer and two airmen would be sufficient to properly handle each grandstand.

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ANNEX "A"

Several business establishments of Albany have donated merchandise to the SOWEGA INTERNATIONAL SPORTS CAR RACES. This merchandise will be used as prizes to be awarded to Airmen with the highest number of ticket sales to their credit.

Prizes will be awarded in the following manner: The person with the highest number of ticket sales will be allowed to select his prize from the group as shown on the attached picture. The person with the second highest ticket sales will select his prize from the remainder, and so forth until all prizes have been awarded.

Prizes to be awarded are:

1. J. C. Higgins Rifle w/Higgins Scope Sight donated by Sears Roebuck Company.

2. Wm Rogers Silverware. (service for eight) donated by Savelle Jewelry Company.

3. Leather "Mustang" Overnight Case, 24 inch, donated by Albany House Furnishings.

4. Shakespeare Glass Rod and Bronson "Fleetwing" Casting Reel donated by Economy Auto Store.

5. Ronson Cigarette Case and Lighter Combination donated by Walter R. Thomas Jewelry Company.

6. U. S. Royal "Air Ride" Tire, size 670-15 donated by Wiggins Tire Company.

7. "Amune" 100% Wool Blanket, Maroon w/5 year guarantee donated by J. C. Penny Company.

8. "Sunbeam" Electric Egg Cooker donated by Merrow & Cook Furniture Company.

9. Atlantic CAR-SAC (For traveling) donated by Owens Sporting Goods.

10. "McGregor" Sport Shirt donated by Hal & Ed's Men Shop.

11. Billfold and Key Case by Craftsman w/three pocket knives donated by Burt-Johnston Hardware Company.

12. Westinghouse Table Model Radio donated by Dixon Hardware Co.

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13. Cannister Set with matching Wastecan, Dust pan and breadbox donated by Gerst Brothers.

14. Photograph Album donated by Lunsbergs Music Store.

15. One $10.00 Check, negotiable at any downtown store donated by McCellums Photo Shop.

16. One $15.00 cash certificate from Rosenberg's in downtown Albany.

17. One $10.00 cash certificate from Rosenberg's in downtown Albany.

18. One $5.00 cash certificate from Rosenberg's in downtown Albany.

Prizes with the exception of Cash Certificates were on display and may be seen at the "new" Headquarters building.

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ANNEX "B"

Listed below are the towns where ticket outlets were established together with the number of tickets sold in each town:

ALBANY, GEORGIA	494	CAMILLA, GA	21
DOTHAN, ALA.	13	TIFTON, GA.	9
OCILLA, GA.		MOULTRIE, GA.	134
THOMASVILLE, GA.	26	JACKSONVILLE, FLA.	73
PANAMA CITY, FLA	44	VALDOSTA, GA.	13
FITZGERALD, GA.	4	WAYCROSS, GA.	6
MARIANA, FLA.	41	CORDELE, GA.	3
TALLAHASSEE, FLA.		VIENNA, GA.	12
ASHBURN, GA.		AMERICUS, GA.	90
BLAKELY, GA.	7	DUBLIN, GA.	3
PELHAM, GA.	13	MACON, GA.	22
DOUGLAS, GA.	3	COLUMBUS, GA.	97
BAINBRIDGE, GA.	56	AUBURN, ALA.	21
CAIRO, GA.	13	MONTGOMERY, ALA.	30
ADEL, GA.	5	UNION SPRINGS, ALA.	2
DONALDSONVILLE, GA.	9	EUFAULA, ALA.	4
ARLINGTON, GA.	17	CUTHBERT, GA.	9
DAWSON, GA.	5	ALMA, GA.	25

Ticket outlets were established in the above 36 cities in Georgia, Alabama, and Florida, with a total sale of 1,323 tickets. This figure, however, does not represent the total number of tickets sold in these cities, as airmen from the base as well as representatives of race headquarters no doubt accounted for additional tickets.

ANNEX "B"
TICKET SALES

TICKET DISTRIBUTION

COUNTY	COUNTY SEAT	NO. OF TICKETS	RESPONSE AT RACES	DISTRIBUTION BY
CRISP	CORDELE	750	20	LT PARKER
WORTH	SYLVESTER	2000	35	LT PARKER
DOOLY	VIENNA	750	12	LT PARKER
PULASKI	HAWKINSVILLE	500	0	LT PARKER
BLECKLEY	COCHRAN	0	0	LT PARKER
TERRELL	DAWSON	593	21	LT ABBOTT
	DAWSON*	356*	21	LT ABBOTT
SUMTER	AMERICUS	614	10	LT ABBOTT
	AMERICUS*	744*	11	LT ABBOTT
MACON	MONTEZUMA	274	0	LT ABBOTT
PEACH	FT. VALLEY	590	0	LT ABBOTT
HOUSTON	PERRY	2318	0	LT UNRUH
RANDOLPH	CUTHBERT	2500	10	LT UNRUH
STEWART	LUMPKIN	250	0	LT UNRUH
	RICHLAND	250*	0	LT UNRUH
EARLY	BLAKELY	1350	4	LT HALL
DEACTUR	BAINBRIDGE	1950	2	LT HALL
SEMINOLE	DONALDONVILLE	1450	5	LT HALL
MILLER	COLQUITT	1250	10	LT HALL
GRADY	CAIRO	1700	12	LT HALL
MITCHELL	CAMILLA	1800	40	LT HALL
DOUGHERTY	ALBANY	8712	1635	MAJ BETTS
LOWNDES	VALDOSTA	1600	5	MAJ BETTS
	VALDOSTA*	3500*	10	MAJ BETTS
BROOKS	QUITMAN	2600	6	MAJ BETTS
	QUITMAN	450	2	MAJ BETTS
THOMAS	THOMASVILLE	3750	30	MAJ BETTS
	THOMASVILLE*	2500*	25	MAJ BETTS
MITCHELL	PELHAM	750*	30	MAJ BETTS
CHATTAHOOCHEE	CUSSETA	500	0	LT UNRUH
TURNER	ASHBURN	1200	7	LT BENNETTI
BEN HILL	FITZGERALD	1100	10	LT BENNETTI
IRWIN	OCILLA	800	0	LT BENNETTI
TIFT	TIFTON	800	0	LT BENNETTI
	TIFTON*	1100*	4	LT BENNETTI
COOK	ADEL	500	8	LT BENNETTI
COLQUITT	MOULTRIE	2000	40	LT BENNETTI
	MOULTRIE*	1750*	30	LT BENNETTI
		64,811	2055	

* INDEPENDENT SCHOOL SYSTEMS

TOTAL EXPENDITURES FOR DISTRIBUTION $212.28

Attachement # 1

Total expenses for race personnel in distribution of the tickets throughout the 36 cities listed totaled $825.99, for a profit of only $497.00. The figure for total expenses also represents the expenses incurred after the races in picking the tickets up.

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ANNEX "C"

TICKET DISTRIBUTION FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN

1. In an effort to increase ticket sales to the Sports Car Races, the Project Officer decided to have printed and distributed free admission tickets to SOWEGA grade school children. Each ticket was also a chance on one of ten bicycles to be given away on race day.

2. On 12 October 1953 the following officers were assigned to Race Headquarters (Ticket Sales Officer) for the purpose of distributing free tickets to grade school children throughout SOWEGA.

Major Betts

Lt. Parker

Lt. Hall

Lt. Unruh

Lt. Bennetti

Lt. Abbett

3. It was felt that the most expeditious means of distributing tickets would be through city and county school superintendents. Mr. Cordell, superintendent of schools in Albany and Dougherty County, assisted greatly by furnishing the names and locations of various superintendents throughout SOWEGA, as well as by distributing the tickets to Dougherty County Schools.

4. Southwest Georgia was divided into six sub-areas and each of the above named officers contacted superintendents in a particular area.

5. In addition to requesting assistance from school superintendents, the newspaper editors in each town visited was asked to publish a news release concerning the races.

6. Distribution of the original 50,000 tickets to the above officers was made on a pro-rata basis by estimating the number of children in each county to be visited. There was insufficient time (3 days) to permit our obtaining accurate school population figures before this distribution was begun.

7. As it turned out, Major Betts and Lt. Hall had to return to Albany for more tickets since the estimate, prior to departure, was too low. On the basis of this, we had 20,000 more tickets printed in order to be sure we would have enough for all children. Subsequent to the order for more tickets, Lt. Unruh returned from Columbus, Georgia, with 12,000 tickets which he had been unable to distribute since there was a city ordinance against distribution of tickets advertising a business.

8. Distribution of free tickets was made as shown in attachment # 1.

9. In all but a few instances the school superintendents cooperated and readily agreed to distribute the tickets.

10. Newspaper editors in all instances accepted our news release for publication.

AWARDING BICYCLES

1. On the day of the races, boxes for the ticket stubs were placed at each entrance to the race course. It was decided to leave the boxes at the entrances until immediately prior to the drawing at 1425 hours. However, it was discovered that people were still coming in at 1400 hours, therefore, an announcement was made over the PA system that another chance to deposit stubs would be made from 1420 to 1440 hours. Three Officers were obtained and one officer with a box was placed in front of each grandstand. A few hundred more stubs were thus obtained at the last minute.

2. The ticket stubs were taken to the drawing cage which was located near the race announcer on the inside of the track. Since the race track was between the announcer and the grandstands where the bicycles were located, it was necessary to place a man by the bicycles to award them when an individual came up with a lucky number. In addition, since the public address system was only partially effective it was necessary to relay the winning number by telephone to the sergeant in charge of the bicycles to preclude any error in determining winning numbers. Five of the bicycles were called fro immediately after the drawing. The other five were delivered the next day and photographs were taken of the winners for publication in the Albany Herald.

3. The Albany Herald and the Burt-Johnston Hardware Company, donated bicycles of various sizes and at the same time offered to exchange bike for any winner if the one they won was the wrong size. Unfortunately, none of the winners could possibly use any of the four small bicycles. When these winners attempted to exchange the bicycles, Mr. Johnston was not agreeable to an exchange without an additional outlay of cash. As soon as this misunderstanding was discovered, arrangements were made with Mr. Johnston to go ahead and make the exchanges and the Race Headquarters would pay for additional cost.

ANNEX "D"

FAIR PROJECTS

SOWEGA, ALBANY, GEORGIA

WORTH COUNTY CENTENNIAL, SYLVESTER, GA.

From 12 to 17 October, the Southwest Georgia Fair was held at the Municipal Airport in Albany. The ticket sales committee secured permission from the fair officials to erect a booth at the fair and to promote the Sport Car Races as well as attempt to sell tickets. The project was under the supervision of Lt Robert Dixon.

We were able during the last two days of this fair to have at our booth a Jaguar modified roadster together with a Cad-Allard belonging to Colonel David Schilling.

Lt. Dixon was assisted in this project by the wives of the Non-Commissioned Officers Wives Club.

A total of approximately 80 tickets were sold at the fair, but this does not present a good picture of the total value of the project. It is estimated that over 100,000 people visited the fair during its run and each and every one of them had to pass by the Sport Car Race Booth, which certainly provided good publicity for the races. Fifty of these tickets were sold on the last day of the fair, Saturday.

Immediately after the Sowega Fair was over, the Worth County Centennial was under way. Again we received permission to erect our booth, this time on the Court House lawn at Sylvester, Ga. Lt. Dixon, who was also in charge of this project, was assisted by the wives of the Officer's Wives Club as well as two airmen from the ticket sales office. Altheugh only 41 tickets were sold during the entire week of the Centennial, again the publicity we received was excellent. Our two airmen assisted the Centennial officials in erecting their communications system, we had a float representing the Sowega International Sport Car Races as well as the Jaguar in their largest parage, and our loudspeaker system was loaned to them for one day. Such relationship with the people of Sylvester certinally resulted in a good name for the races.

Total expenditures for the two fairs was approximately $40.00

I certify that I have received, this date, _____ SOWEGA International Sport Car Race tickets, serial numbers from _____ to _____. I understand that I will be held fully accountable for all tickets listed hereon either in unsold tickets or money (@ $1.00 per ticket).

_____
Signature of Receiver

_____
Signature of Chairman

_____
Organization or Civilian Address

_____
(DATE)

I, _____ of the SOWEGA INTERNATIONAL SPORTS CAR RACE TICKET SALES COMMITTEE do certify that I did, this date, deliver _____ SOWEGA I. S. C. RACE TICKETS, serial numbers _____ to _____, to the following named person

_____, _____
(NAME) (Organization)

Attached below is the signed receipt of such person for the above numbered tickets.

_____
(NAME)

_____
(Date)

I certify that I have returned this date _____ SOWEGA
(number)
International Sport Car Race tickets, and have accounted for all tickets signed to me.

_____
(Name)

_____
(Organization)

I certify that _____ has fully
(Name)
accounted for SOWEGA International Sports Car Race tickets, serial number _____ to _____, and is hereby relieved of any responsibility in regards thereto.

Money received or cash receipts form

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Returned Tickets By Number

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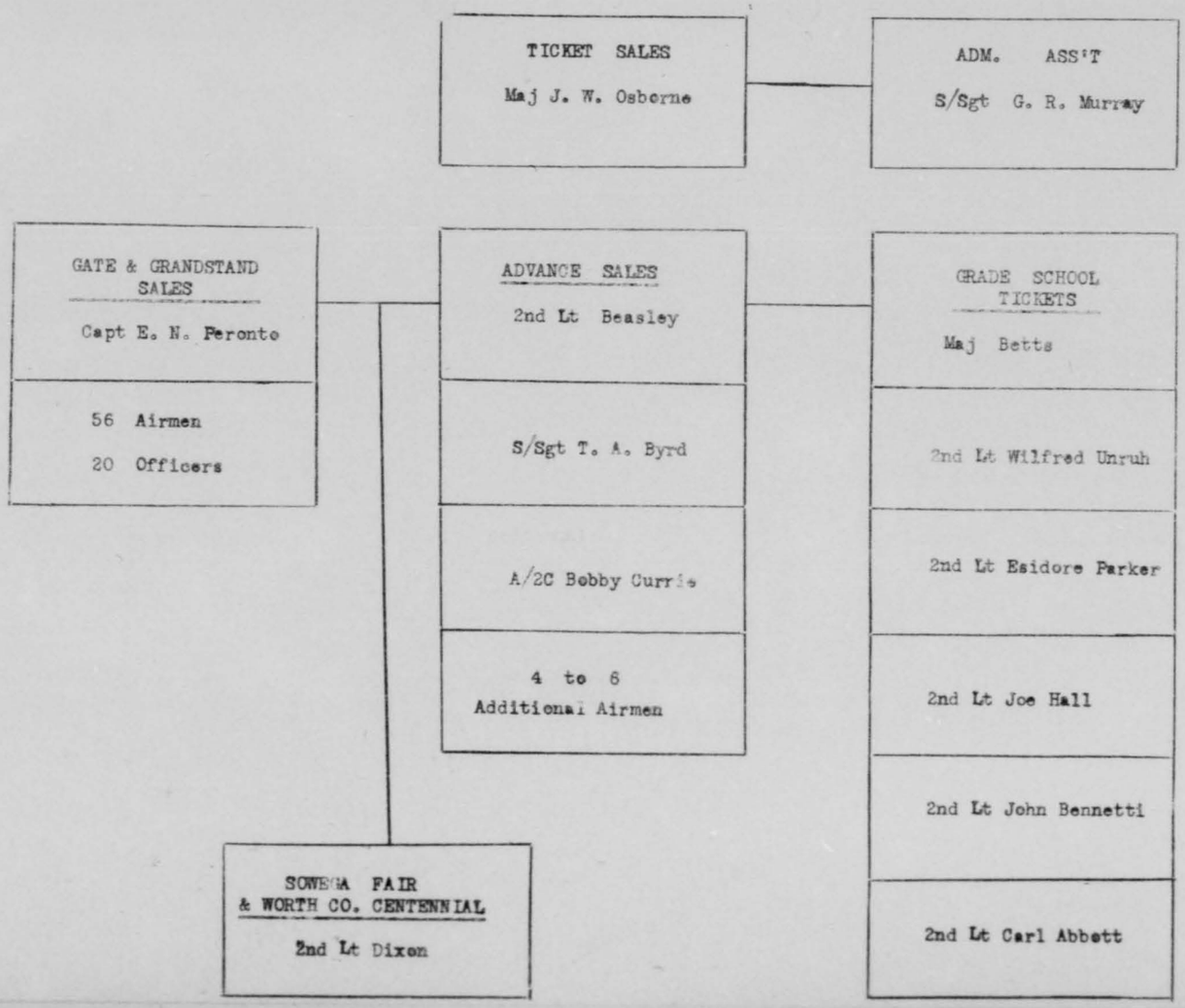
(Name & Rank)


TICKET SALES
Maj J. W. Osborne
ADM. ASS'T
S/Sgt G. R. Murray
GATE & GRANDSTAND SALES
Capt E. N. Peronto
56 Airmen
20 Officers
ADVANCE SALES
2nd Lt Beasley
S/Sgt T. A. Byrd
A/2C Bobby Currie
4 to 6 Additional Airmen
GRADE SCHOOL TICKETS
Maj Betts
2nd Lt Wilfred Unruh
2nd Lt Esidore Parker
2nd Lt Joe Hall
2nd Lt John Bennetti
2nd Lt Carl Abbett
SOWEGA FAIR & WORTH CO. CENTENNIAL
2nd Lt Dixon

SOWEGA INTERNATIONAL SPORTS CAR RACES

FACILITIES OFFICER

I. MISSION

The Facilities Officers was charged with the responsibility to organize and supervise construction, fire-fighting, medical facilities, concession stands, seating facilities, press box, judges stand, transportation and sanitation.

II. PERFORMANCE OF MISSION

Early in September the Facilities Officer called his group together. At this time specific assignments were given to each Officer in charge of sub-sections. For clarity each sub-section is reported separately.

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Construction. The construction section, under the supervision of the A. I. O. This section completed most of their work during the last week prior to the race. This was necessary due to the concession stands, latrines bleachers, press box and judges stands having to wait until the last few days because of flying operations. On the 9th of September, however work was commenced in preparation for the races. It was found that a considerable amount of equipment, signs, stands and material for the stands were in storage in A. I. O.

On the 16th of September work commenced on painting 250 barrels which were required to delineate the race course. In addition several hundred stakes were made to support the rope strung around the course.

On the 23rd of September signs was placed on all leading highways announcing the race and giving dates etc. In each case the consent of the property owners was obtained.

On the 3rd of August a letter was prepared and forwarded to Ft. Benning, Georgia requesting the loan of 9,500 bleacher seats. This request was approved and on 12 October 1953 a detail of 36 Airmen went to Ft. Benning to start transporting the bleachers back. They were erected under the supervision of one Warrant Officer and T/Sgt from the Bleacher Section of Ft Benning.

Medical Facilities. On the 24th October 1953 a Central Aid Station was located at Base Operations. This station was manned by one medical officer, 2 medical technicians and one ambulance driver. These personnel were on duty to cover any emergencies.

From 0800 hours 25 October 1953 until all race participants and spectators had cleared the field a total of five medical aid stations were in operation. These aid stations were manned by two medical officers, one nurse, ten medical technicians and three ambulance drivers. One civilian ambulance with attendants was obtained from the Pinkerton Ambulance Service, Phoebe Putney Hospital, Albany, Georgia. This service was rendered without charge and for the purpose of transporting non-military casualties to the civilian Hospital.

One driver (civilian participant) was transported to the Base Hospital following an accident on the track and expired shortly thereafter. On 25 October 1953 (race day) two minor treatments were administered to civilians attending the race and a record made of such treatment.

Concession Stands. The responsibility for the operation of the refreshment stands was delegated to two Squadrons of the 508th Strategic Fighter Wing. It was evident from the results obtained from the 1952 races that a different method of serving, accounting and supervision must be adopted.

Early in September it was decided to limit sales in the concession stands to hot-dogs, box lunches, coco cola, pepsi-cola, orange, and one other soft drink. In addition it was decided to sell draft beer. Action was taken at this time to contact the various agencies to obtain the above items on a contingent basis. The Food Service Supervisor was responsible for the preparation of the Hot-Dogs and their delivery to the Stands.

As a result of contacting the various agencies the following items were obtained:

175 kegs of beer
500 cases of Coca Cola
500 cases of orange and grape drinks
16,000 Hot dogs
20 gallons of mustard
10 gallons of ketchup
20,000 unfolded napkins were obtained from the Food Service Squadron which were replaced
500 Box lunches consisting of 2 pieces of fried chicken, bread, cake, etc.

The stands were located two to each grandstand, one directly behind the pits, one on the west end of the ramp and one between runways 13 and 18. Two additional stands were located on the ramp for the sale of beer only. The stands used in the 1952 races were obtained from AIO and modified to allow sales on three sides with the back open. Rails were constructed down two sides and across the front. Nine personnel were detailed to each stand including a stand supervisor, cashier, helper and six countermen. The stand supervisor were Officers responsible for the entire stand. The cashier's duty was to collect from the customers as they filed past his table.

The accounting system consisted of receipts signed in duplicate by the stand supervisor to the various units supplying his stand and turned in at the end of his half day shift. The beer dealer, soft drink truck drivers and Food Service Personnel who supplied the stands also turned in their copies of the receipts to the accounting Officers in Base Operations.

Each cashier was issued $50.00 in change to start his shift. This, plus the money taken in, was turned in to the accounting office at the end of the shift. One one-half ton pick-up was assigned to deliver napkins, mustard ketchup, etc., to the stands and two motor bikes were used to take orders for supplies. One stand was operated on Saturday 24 October 1953 during the Mandatory practice.

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The gross in-take for all stands was $6785.55. The net profit being $4075.60. Comparing the 36% profit from the 1952 race and this year 60% reflects a decided improvement.

Fire-Fighting. A total of 30 firefighters and 5 fire trucks were located in strategic points around the race track. Two occassions arose for the use of firefighting equipment and personnel. One was at the time of the accident and which a fire guard was stationed and the other was at the time of the grass fire on the day of the race.

Transportation. Transportation was provided by the Base Motor Pool, supplemented by motorcycles from the 31st Strategic Fighter Wing. All Staff Cars assigned to the Base were utilized.

Press Box & Judges Stand. Two flat bed truck-trailers were utilized for this purpose. Stakes were placed in the sides and recoverable target cloth put over the top.

Sanitation. Sanitation was supervised and monitored by the Base Veterinarian. This included obtained health certificates for food handlers in the concession stands. Inspection of food products, beer dispensers and latrine facilities.

III. RECOMMENDATIONS:

The main difficulty experience was the lack of using the race organization, especially during the final week prior to race day. Individuals requiring services or materials would go direct to various squadrons on the Base who furnished that type of service which created undue delays and confusion in accomplishing our mission. Personnel should be thoroughly briefed on the organizational structure of the Race Committee.

Rosters of personnel required for details should be posted at least 48 hours in advance.

That in future races more transportation be furnished for supplying the concession stands.

It is believed that we could have sold more box lunches.

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SOWEGA INTERNATIONAL SPORTS CAR RACES

Race Operations Officer

I. MISSION

The mission of the Race Operations Officer was to supervise and coordinate activities pertaining to the race course layout and maintenance, wrecker and pit service, race communications and public address systems, security, crowd control and repair facilities.

II. PERFORMANCE OF THE MISSION

Course layout. Using last year's course layout with the exception of a slight bludge at Tift Turn, as a guide, this year's course was presented to Officials of the Sports Car Club of America representatives at the Lockbourne Race on 9 August 1953, where it was approved. The actual layout of the course on the 23rd of October was comparatively simple. Approximately 250 barrels were needed and placed 50 feet from the inner part of the course along most of the runways and ramps and about 150 feet apart. The barrels were saved from the 1952 race and readily available. Approximately 50 cardboard boxes were used on the various turns. Double rows of boxes and/or barrels were used along the pit area.

Wrecker & Pit Service. A total of 4 wreckers were placed around the race circuit to provide for any contingency. One wrecker was located just behind the pits for use as needed.

Prior to the races being run it had been recommended that each pit (approximately 100) be staffed with one airman. Observation revealed that it would be unnecessary to provide this service as all entries had their own pit crew.

The refueling vehicles under the supervision of the Pure Oil Company had a tendency to be inadequately spaced. This required individuals on the far end to carry gasoline required for their vehicles approximately 150 yards. The Pure Oil Company furnished 250 each 5 gallon cans for the purpose of refueling cars.

Prior to the races it had been recommended that wooden footlockers be procured and placed one to each pit. Observation revealed that these lockers were not utilized during this period. These lockers were intended to be used for the storage of tools, etc.

Communications and Public Address System. Communications requirements for the Races consisted of six (6) Walkie-talkie radio sets plus six (6) Field Telephones located at each of the six curves around the track. These communications were controlled at a central control point located near the judges stand.

Three commercial telephone lines were installed to the Judges stand to provide for 2 radio stations who were doing live broadcasts and one for race officials.

The public address system consisted of four (4) Master Amplifiers and forty (40) speakers. These speakers were located in front of the three grandstands to provide constant coverage of the race at all times. One field telephone was installed between the high speed trap and the judges stand in order to furnish speeds of the various cars as they went through the trap.

An electronic high speed timing trap was installed on the inside of the track on the SOWEGA straight. This equipment was obtained from the 3902nd Air Base Wing at Offutt Air Force Base, Nebraska for a rental price of $35.00. This equipment was maintained by one (1) Major, one (1) Captain and one (1) T/Sgt and 3 helpers.

All communications wire which crossed the track at the start and finish line and at the speed trap was accomplished by the utilization of "A" frams furnished by the Base Motor Pool. Communications control was maintained at the judges stand with connection to EE-8 phones. Master radio control was also at this point with constant contact with Walkie-talkie sets.

All of the public address system, equipment and W-110 wire were furnished on a loan basis from Fort Benning, Georgia. It was installed under the supervision of one (1) Warrant Officer and four (4) soldiers from that Post.

Security & Crowd Control. Four parking areas were set up to accomodate the large number of cars which attended the Races. Two additional areas were available in case of overflow. As vehicles entered the area, they were parked in a single row parallel with the crowd control rope. Each row thereafter was a double row parked from bumper to back bumper which met all ground safety requirements. As an area was filled the NCOIC notified traffic command post and traffic was switched to another area.

Once an area was filled, a sufficient number of men were left in the area to assist those who desired to leave and to guard parked vehicles against fire or theft. Men deemed unnecessary in the area reported back to the Traffic Command Post for further assignment.

Traffic was handled in the above manner through 6 access gates with the complete cooperation of County, City and State Officials.

Upon completion of the race departed through the 6 gates in an orderly manner. Traffic never jammed at any one point and the time required to clear the base of vehicles was fifty-five (55) minutes. No traffic accidents were reported.

Crowd control personnel were placed at one hundred and fifty (150) foot intervals around the track area. This was accomplished the two 150 men shifts. The first shift worked from 0700 to 1300 hours and the second from 1300 to 1900 hours. No difficulties were encountered.

In event of an accident on the race course the Air Police were prepared to dispatch a mobile force of ten men to seal off the area and permit only those personnel and vehicles deemed necessary to clear the track.

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Repair Facilities. A repair information booth was erected in each of the hangars where all the cars were located. Five Airmen were also assigned to each hangar to aid and assist in maintenance. Two crews of 12 men were assigned to the Fabrication shops if needed. These personnel were sheet metal repairment, welders, machinists, painters and wood workers.

III. RECOMMENDATIONS:

That communications and public address systems be set up at least two days prior to race day if possible to allow a complete check of these facilities with plenty of time to correct any deficiencies.

That barrels and boxes be reserved and painted and available at least 5 days prior to the race.

SOWEGA INTERNATIONAL SPORTS CAR RACES

PROGRAM OFFICER

I. MISSION

The Mission of the SOWEGA Souvenir program Project Officer was to administer all phases of program advertising, layout and printing and sales.

II. PERFORMANCE OF MISSION

On the 12 of June 1953 the Turner Airmen's Living Improvement Fund Council met and decided to award Mr. Phil Stiles, 221 Seaspray Ave., Palm Beach, Florida, a contract in the amount of $500.00, to produce the Official Race Programs. Accordingly Mr. Stiles furnished the Base with the names and addresses of some 250 prospective National advertisers along with a sample post card reminder. These post card reminders were prepared and forwarded on 20 July 1953. In addition to the list furnished by Mr. Stiles the Base had compiled a list of advertisers from the 1952 SOWEGA National Sports Car Races which was used.

On the 5th of August 1953 the Official Advertising Contract Form (prepared by Mr. Stiles) was forwarded to all National prospective advertisers. At this time a program was initiated to make a personal call on each local business establishment. This sales team consisted of 4 officers who called on the managers of the various firms to solicit advertising in our program.

Mr. Phil Stiles had advised that as there were so many Sports Car Races being run this year we should concentrate our efforts through contacts with local merchants. On the 28 September 1953 because of the slow progress made on local advertising a group of 12 officers was assigned the task of contacting these prospective advertisers. One Officer was assigned the task of contacting City Officials of all Cities comprising the area that is called Southwest Georgia.

All advertising sold by the Base Advertising team which required art work was forwarded to Mr. Stiles for completion. Other types were delivered direct to the printer. The last of the program material was given to the printer on the 17 of October, however because of a few errors and other last minute problems requiring additional material changes were made until the 21st of October. The program was delivered to the Base on Thursday 22 October 1953.

An adequate supply of programs was delivered to the Reception Center where a total of 297 were sold to Race participants and their guests during their processing.

The Race Sales organization on Race day was composed of one Officer and thirty-five (35) Airmen. All sales personnel were briefed as to their duties and responsibilities, especially methods used to turn in all money to the Finance Officer in Base Operations and obtaining a receipt therefor. Later the receipt was used to clear the individual seller with the Officer distributing the programs. The Officer utilized a pick-up truck to deliver programs to the sellers around the race circuit. A total of 4400 programs was delivered to this sales crew and a total of 4215 programs were sold.

III. RECOMMENDATIONS

From the experience gained program preparation of the souvenir program during the 1952 and 1953 races it is felt that personnel on the Base can produce any future programs of this nature.

It is believed that at least five pick-up trucks are needed to supply sellers on race day. This is especially true as the Grandstands were located in three different places around the track. In addition people were standing all along the sideline.

Monitor very closely the actual canvassing of prospective advertisers to avoid duplication which irritates the prospect.

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PROCUREMENT

SOWEGA INTERNATIONAL SPORT CAR RACES

I. MISSION. RESPONSIBILITY.

The Procurement Officer acts as Supply Liaison Officer for the SOWEGA Sport Car Races. He expedites issue of items from base stock. He maintains control to insure all items are properly entered on AF Form 446, and items are accounted for as required by AFM 67-1. He insures that items forwarded from organizations are shown on a valid hand receipt.

II. HOW MISSION WAS PERFORMED

The performance of the mission of Procurement constituted no great problems. Any officer aquainted with supply procedures can adequately fill this position.

All items issued from base stocks were issued on AF Form 446. Each Form 446 was marked "For SOWEGA". A jacket file of these forms was maintained by Base Supply to expedite the return of receverable property on AF Form 447. All expendible property was cost coded and charged to SOWEGA by the comptroller section.

Items issued to SOWEGA in the base shops and Service Unit #1 were issued on a recap sheet and consolidated on AF Form 446 for accounting purposes. This procedure is necessary to prevent delay in issuing items to the shops and also prevents a form 446 being made for six each, nuts, bolts or screws, etc.

III. RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that this position be filled by an officer familiar with supply procedures, and if possible, an officer who has been on the base for at least one year. Knowing where to find an item on a loan basis is just as important as knowing how to account for property drawn from base stores.

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RACE PERSONNEL OFFICE

SOWEGA INTERNATIONAL SPORTS CAR RACES

I. MISSION

The mission of the Base Personnel Officer, as a member of the staff of the SOWEGA International Sports Car Race Committee, was to provide personnel upon receipt of requests from the various members of the Race Staff.

II. PERFORMANCE OF THE MISSION

The Base Personnel Section organized to log in each request as received showing the number and type of personnel required. In addition information was kept as to the length of time each detail was required. Based upon this information, personnel were supplied from either of the two fighter wings or the 811th Air Base Group.

Requests were received as early as 14 September 1953, and continued through 23 October 1953. During this period a total of seventy-eight (78) officers and five hundred and twenty four (524) airmen were detailed to various members of the Race Committee.

Figures are reflected on attached chart and do not represent personnel assigned to the Race Committee.

III. RECOMMENDATIONS

As no difficulties were encountered in securing people for the Race Committee, no recommendations are offered. It is believed that if the same system of channeling all requests for personnel through one central agency (such as the Base Personnel Office) no difficulties will be encountered.

PERSONNEL REQUESTED TO FILL THE REQUIREMENTS OF SOWEGA

NUMBER REQUESTED	PURPOSE	DATE
2 - Airmen (AFSC 70250 or 30)	Publicity	14 Sep 53
2 - Officers, 6 NCO's	Ticket Sales	30 Sep 53
3 - NCO's, 32 Airmen	Transporting and erecting bleachers	5 Oct 53
1 - 1st Lieutenant	Tickets	9 Oct 53
1 - Captain	Tickets	12 Oct 53
10 - Airmen	Distribute Bumper Tags	12 Oct 53
2 - 2nd Lieutenants (by name)	Ticket Sales	12 Oct 53
3 - Lieutenants	Ticket Sales	12 Oct 53
2 - S/Sergeants	Ticket Sales	12 Oct 53
1 - Airman	Project Office	12 Oct 53
2 - Airmen	Ticket Sales	13 Oct 53
225 - Airmen	Augment Air Police	13 Oct 53
4 - Airmen	Carpenters	14 Oct 53
2 - Airmen	Poster Distribution	14 Oct 53
5 - Airmen	Poster Distribution	16 Oct 53
2 - Airmen	Drivers	16 Oct 53
40 - Airmen (Only 38 could be obtained)	Operate Slide Rules and/or Calculating Machines	16 Oct 53

PERSONNEL REQUESTED TO FILL THE REQUIREMENTS OF SOWEGA SPORTS CAR RACES (CONT'D)

NUMBER REQUESTED	PURPOSE	DATE
20 - Officers 56 - Airmen	Gate & Grandstand Sales	16 Oct 53
2 - Airmen	Distribute Posters	19 Oct 53
31 - Airmen	Rope Detail - 7 Stake Detail - 7 Boxes & Barrels - 7 Bleacher Guard Rails - 5 Sign Erection - 5	19 Oct 53
3 - Airmen	Paint Hangar Doors	20 Oct 53
1 - Airman	Publicity Department	20 Oct 53
5 - Airmen	CQ Duty at Race Headquarters	20 Oct 53
2 - Airmen	Assist Race Chairman	23 Oct 53
35 - Airmen 30 - Officers	Operate Concession Stands Operate Concession Stands	23 Oct 53
1 - Officer 35 - Airmen	Program Sales Program Sales	23 Oct 53
25 - Officers	Reception Center	23 Oct 53
GRAND TOTAL FURNISHED	78 Officers	524 Airmen

RECEPTION, HOUSING & ENTERTAINMENT

SOWEGA INTERNATIONAL SPORTS CAR RACES

I. MISSION

The mission of the Reception, Housing and Entertainment functions was to provide adequate on and off-base housing, receive the participants and have an entertainment program provided.

II. PERFORMANCE OF THE MISSION

Housing. Approximately 90 days prior to race day, all the Albany hotels and motels were contacted individually to request cooperation in reserving space for the SOWEGA International Sports Car Race participants and their guests. As a result, a total of forty five motel units and one hundred and seventy hotel rooms were set aside to be filled by the Housing Office.

While plans were being formulated to house people in downtown Albany, the Housing Office went about setting up barracks on the base. The VIP quarters housed twenty-two individuals from SAC and the Sports Car Club of America. In addition, a total of 9 BOQ's or barracks-type buildings were utilized.

As the request for accomodations were received at Race Headquarters, they were re-routed to the Housing Officer. Each request was logged in on the Master File of Albany motels and hotels, depending on the exact nature of each. At this time, phone calls were made to the local motel or hotel to confirm the space, and a postcard dispatched to each entrant. Four days prior to race day, a complete list of all persons desiring accomodations was prepared giving the name of the individual and the space reserved for him, and typed in four copies. One copy was kept in the processing center at the main gate, and one copy was sent to Race Headquarters. The third copy was retained in the Housing Unit, and the fourth delivered to the CQ at the VIP quarters.

The Albany Hotel and motels were very cooperative in assisting the Base Housing Office to accomplish its mission. All phases ran very smoothly until just two days prior to race day when requests were received from individuals who had not previously made reservations. Some entrants had failed to request reservations for their crew members, and in addition several officers arrived from other bases who had not previously made reservation arrangements.

Approximately 290 persons were housed on the base, and 110 were placed in motels and hotels. 70 persons arrived with no reservations.

Entertainment. An organist was booked through a local agent for Friday evening, 1700-2200 hours; Saturday evening, 1700-2200 hours and on Sunday evening from 2000 to 0100 hours.

On Saturday night, 24 October 1953, a band was hired for the purpose of a dance from 2130 to 0130 hours.

A free buffet supper was given on Saturday for all race participants, their guests, and members of the Officers' Club. A total of 900 meals were furnished. Admittance to the club was by officer identification, official race passes and a special guest list prepared by Race Headquarters.

The Officers Wives' Club, the Club Entertainment Committee, and the Mess Secretary, furnished all labor and materials for decorating the club.

The Victory Barbeque was sponsored by the Albany Chamber of Commerce and held at the Picnic Pavilion at 2030 hours. The Chamber of Commerce employed a caterer to prepare and serve the barbeque. Members of the Sports Car Club of America acted as Masters of Ceremonies to present the various trophies.

Reception. On the 9th of October, effort was concentrated in compiling literature which was to be placed in a folder to be given to each participant. In addition, the artist-illustrater was busy designing a cover for the folder. Plans and physical preparation of the reception center were in progress at the same time.

Race participants were greeted by officers located in the reception center and asked to sign the Register. At this time, drivers, car owners, race officials, and VIP personnel were given a folder which contained all required information about the race and the base. They were also given a red tag to be worn on their person. This tag was their authority to pass through the gate and allowed entrance to the Officers' Mess and Club. The individuals were then passed through the processing line where they were asked to sign and complete the insurance waiver forms. Each waiver was officially witnessed by the officer in charge. They were then given their car and hangar stall assignment, if applicable, and also the tickets to the Victory Barbeque. Next they were advised of the accomedations available, and if prior arrangements had been made, the center was prepared to confirm or inform the individuals concerning their quarters status. Lastly they were taken on a guided tour of the base.

III. RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the processing center be open no later than noon on Wednesday of the week preceding the race to be held on Sunday. That all race participants be required to process through the center, especially entrants from the base itself. That a Class "B" telephone be installed to supplement the normal facilities due to the many requirements for immediate requests for information.

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RACE LEGAL OFFICER

SOWEGA INTERNATIONAL SPORTS CAR RACES

I. MISSION

The mission of the Legal Staff Officer was to advise Project Officer and Staff on all legal matters.

II. SUMMARY OF EVENTS

On 13 July 1953 General Olds wrote Colonel Dickey, Deputy Staff Judge Advocate requesting information concerning Sports Car Races held on SAC bases. A reply dated 28 July set forth general insurance info, specific insurance costs of the Offutt Race, and a copy of the Master Policy held with Baur & Baur (then Baur & Christensen). Upon analysis of said Master Policy it was determined to seek Automobile Liability coverage for Bodily Injury and property damage in the amount of $300,000, $500,000 and $100,000 rather than for the $25,000, $50,000 and $10,000 limits set forth in Master Policy No. T2853A. Grounds and Produce Liability coverage for $100,000 in each category and Personal Accident coverage per Master Policy was also sought. After intermittent correspondence a Certificate of Insurance was forwarded to Race Headquarters by Baur & Baur in a letter dated 30 September. The insurance problem at this time was deemed to be finalized.

Colonel Terry K. Field, USAF Res, arrived 13 October, at which time he informed Race Headquarters that in view of AAA's sanctioning this race, and thereby enabling it to be an International Race, the AAA Personal Accident Insurance for drivers, pitmen, and officials would have to be used. He had been so advised by Mr. Lamb, Secretary of AAA Contest Board. An informative letter was sent to Baur & Baur requesting the Personal Accident Insurance be cancelled, which was done.

The AAA representative, Mr. William Smyth, arrived at Turner on 21 or 22 October. During a casual conversation among race officials, Mr. Smyth informed everyone that the AAA insurance did not cover women pitcrew members. Immediate telegrams and telephone calls were made to Baur & Baur. Finally late Friday evening of the 23rd, all persons connected with the race were insured, although it was necessary to carry double coverage on all men pitcrew members and officials. Later the same evening the SCCA members met and voted to donate their individual $10.00 entrance fees to the Turner Airmen's Living Improvement Fund in order to offset the double insurance.

Some type of document was requested of the AAA representative to evidence the fact that an insurance policy did exist under which the drivers, etc., would be insured. Mr. Smyth made several telephone calls to Washington, D. C. A telegram resulted from his efforts addressed to General Olds which cited the AAA sanction number, the Master Policy Number held with Continental Casualty Company of Chicago, and the named Insureds.

A research of Georgia law revealed the lack of a state admission tax of any sort. No questions pertaining to Georgia State Sales Tax were presented and it is presumed that no demands were made on Race Headquarters or the Turner Airmen's Living Improvement Fund for such tax. Lacking any direct contact with the State officials in Atlanta, the officer buying beer to be served on the day of the race was advised not to seek relief from paying the Georgia Beer Tax. Actual Beer Tax paid was not excessive, in view of the small volume actually sold.

Early in September, General Olds wished to have the problem concerning Federal Admission Tax determined. Thereupon a proper letter, complete with form and documents were forwarded to the Atlanta Director of Internal Revenue. An answer to such letter contained a ruling which held the Turner Airmen's Living Improvement Fund liable for the Federal Admissions Taxes on the 1952 race but nothing on the 1953 race. It also stated that such ruling was being forwarded to Washington, D. C. for a final determination.

III. RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Where future races are sanctioned by the AAA its requirements, special rules, etc., should be sought at least two months in advance.

2. Under the above conditions an AAA representative should be present at least five days before race day.

3. Also an actual certificate of insurance should be obtained from the AAA or the Continental Casualty Company so as to preclude any contractual reliance upon telegrams, telephonic communications or other oral means.

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CHRONOLOGY

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2 November 1953 - Dependents Assistance Council held initial meeting.

5 November 1953 - SAC Team visited Turner AFB for survey of hydrant refueling situation.

15 November 1953 - Reorganization of following units: Hq 508th SF Wing, 508th Field Maint Squadron, 508th Periodic Maint Squadron, 508th Armament and Electronics Maint Squadron, and 811th Supply Squadron. (SAC GO 78, dated 10 Nov 1953)

19 November 1953 - 31st SF Wing TDY movement to Japan completed.

24 November 1953 - 100th Air Refueling Squadron assigned to 40th Air Division.

25 November 1953 - 100th Air Refueling Squadron inactivated at Turner; 508th Air Refueling Squadron activated at Turner and assigned to 508th SF Wing. (SAC GO 82, 20 November 1953)

27 November 1953 - Supervisory staff visit was made to Base Adjutant's Office by Second Air Force representatives.

ORGANIZATION AND ADMINISTRATION

I - ORGANIZATION AND ADMINISTRATION

40th Air Division Staff Changes

Commander

During the month of November 1953 there were two staff changes in the 40th Air Division Headquarters. Each concerned temporary absences of the commander. On 6 November Brigadier General Thayer S. Olds reassumed command from Colonel David C. Schilling, who had taken the position 29 October 1953. 1/

Colonel Cy Wilson assumed command of the Division on the 27th of the month during the temporary absence of General Olds. This action remained in effect until after 31 November 1953. 2/

811th Air Base Group Staff Changes

Commander

Lieutenant Colonel Leaford Bearskin was appointed commander of the 811th Air Base Group and Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia by a general order from Headquarters, Second Air Force on 9 November 1953. 3/ This action was effective during the temporary absence of Colonel John J. Easton. Colonel Bearskin was in that capacity until Colonel Easton returned to this station on 11 November 1953.

1/ GO 36, Hq 40th AD, Turner AFB, Ga., dtd 29 Oct 1953. (Exhibit 1)
2/ GO 37, Hq 40th AD, Turner AFB, Ga., dtd 27 Nov 1953. (Exhibit 2)
3/ GO 39, Hq 2AF, Barksdale AFB, La., dtd 9 Nov 1953. (Exhibit 3)

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Staff Judge Advocate

AFR 39-66, Board Action

A major change in the criteria necessary to separate airmen under the provisions of Air Force Regulations 35-66, 39-16 and 39-17 was received during this period. 4/

The change was designed to obviate where possible the requirement for action by a board of officers on airmen scheduled to be discharged under the provisions of either of these regulations. In certain recommended cases for which action under AFR 35-66 may have been planned, the following procedure was outlined:

These individuals might be discharged without board action provided (1) an investigation reveals that the case falls within the purview of AFR 35-66, and (2) the airman has been informed of the evidence against him.

The airman may then be given an opportunity to sign an application for discharge which explicitly spells out the possible repercussions of such a discharge in civilian life. The application contains a statement which attests that the airman may be deprived of both federal and state veterans legislature, that legal counsel was available to him, and that he voluntarily sign the application for discharge of his own free will.

In cases where airmen sign these applications, the fully documented case and all available evidence will then be forwarded to the commander

4/ Message 2AFPRA 2237, fr Hq 2AF, Barksdale AFB, La, dtd 19 Nov 1953. (Exhibit 4)

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having general courts-martial jurisdiction. The commander will then decide whether or not a trial by courts-martial is appropriate. If the commander decides that trial is not appropriate or it is his opinion that it is not advisable, he will forward the case, together with the airman's application for discharge, and a statement of the reasons why he feels that trial is not appropriate or advisable to the Director of Military Personnel, Headquarters, Washington 25, D. C. for referral to the Secretary of Air Force Personnel Council. The forwarding indorsement will be signed personally by the commander or officer second in command.

AFR 39-17 Board Action

Airmen scheduled to be discharged under the provisions of AFR 39-17 will be given the opportunity to sign a statement similar to and including all vital information contained in the above mentioned application. Likewise, the commander exercising general courts-martial jurisdiction will be the recipient of cases in which the airman has signed the application.

After a review by the staff judge advocate, the commander willtake one of the following actions: (1) Accept the application for discharge and order an undesirable discharge under AFR 39-17 be given, (2) order a general discharge under the provisions of AFR 39-16, (3) direct that the airmen be retained in the service, or (4) convene a board of officers pursuant to AFR 39-17, disregarding the airman's waiver of board proceedings.

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It is imperative that the commander's report contain a full summary of conduct, habits and other reasons in addition to dates and nature of any administrative or disciplinary actions together with remedial measures used or tried during all assignments within his organization. This documentation was said to be essential to properly dispose of all unfit airmen. Also, it takes on greater importance in cases where a board is not held.

AFR 39-16 Board Action

Airmen up for action under the provisions of AFR 39-16 will be given an opportunity to sign an application for discharge after the report called for in paragraph 5a of the regulation has been referred to them. In cases where the airmen sign the application for discharges, he will be referred to the proper medical authority for the required medical evaluation, and the documented case will be forwarded through channels to the commander having general courts-martial jurisdiction. After the application has been reviewed by the staff judge advocate, the commander will then (1) order a general discharge, (2) direct that the airman be retained in the service, (3) return the report for resubmission under the provisions of AFR 39-17 5/, or (4) return the report and direct that a board be convened to act on the case regardless of the fact that the airman signed the waiver of board proceedings. 6/

5/ This action will be taken in cases where the records show unfitness rather than inaptitude or unsuitability.

6/ This procedure requires that where the statement is signed and a board is not held, final authority is vested in the commander exercising general courts-martial authority rather than with the commander exercising AFR 39-10 discharge authority. It was stressed that airmen properly falling within the purview of AFR 39-17 would not be discharged under AFR 39-16.

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It was pointed out to all major commanders that airman properly falling within the purview of AFR 39-17 would not be discharged under AFR 39-16. However, upon recommendation of the Air Force Personnel Board, the Secretary of the Air Force may direct discharge under AFR 39-17 or AFR 39-16 when it is determined that discharge under AFR 35-66 is not appropriate and that the evidence conclusively indicates that the airman is unfit or unsuitable for further military service.

The 811th Air Base Group Staff Judge Advocate disseminated this information to all squadron commanders and interested agencies by a letter dated 22 November 1953. 7/

It was the opinion of Lieutenant Colonel Leaford Bearskin, deputy base commander, that the procedure would prove advantageous to Turner Air Force Base only if all commanders understood fully that it was designed to supplement AFR's 35-66, 39-16 and 39-17, rather than to supersede them. 8/

7/ Ltr, Hq 40th AD, file SJA, subj: "Waiver of Board of Officers under Provisions of AFR 35-66, AF 39-16 and AFR 39-17," (undated). (Exhibit 5)

8/ Interview w/811th ABG Deputy Comdr by T/Sgt. Frank F. Aldridge.

Analysis of Food Service Career Fields

During November 1953 the Management and Analysis Branch conducted a study of overages in the 50 and 70 level of the Food Service career fields. This study was made in order to determine the effect of overages on morale and from a financial viewpoint. 9/

The results of the study revealed that some higher skilled personnel were assigned to duties in the 30 and 10 levels. This was due to the over-crowded condition in the 50 and 70 levels. The study determined that the resultant loss was approximately $2,600 each month.

Although there is no accurate yardstick to measure morale, it was learned that in the top three enlisted grades there were 59 vacancies with 64 airmen actually assigned. A further breakdown revealed that there were 15 in the grade E-6 and 32 in the grade E-5 who were eligible for promotion. It was learned that personnel in the E-6 were frozen and that those in grade E-5 were probably frozen. In addition, the Food Service Squadron was authorized nine airmen at the 70 career level and there were 30 assigned. This meant that a large number of airmen were not performing duties commensurate to their AFSC. 10/

9/ Ltr, Ofc of the Base Compt, file BCMA, subj: "Analysis of Food Service Career Fields," dtd 1 Dec 1953. (Exhibit 6)

10/ Ibid.

Food Service Personnel Requirements

Due to a Headquarters USAF ceiling on the total number of personnel that may be authorized in the Food Service function, new authorizations were scheduled to be placed into effect in December, 1953. An overage manning of 39 airmen third class were authorized for kitchen police duty to reflect the maximum number of personnel to be assigned as augmentation to the Table of Authorization or Table of Distribution. 11/

This overage authorization will remain in effect until troop spaces are obtained and the current restrictive USAF ceiling is raised. In order to maintain the Food Service function, including kitchen police, with the smallest possible expenditure of manpower, it is necessary that a concentrated program be instituted at the earliest possible time. A test will be run on operation of the Food Service Squadron for the period 18 December through 17 February 1954. A report on operations will be made by the Director of Materiel on 1 February 1954 for the period of 18 December through 17 January 1954. A second report will be submitted on the completion of the test for the period of 18 January through 17 February 1954. The Materiel Branch, Headquarters Second Air Force will prepare a format for reporting purposes covering the information deemed necessary to accurately evaluate the test. 12/

11/ Ltr, file DPLMD 320, Offutt AFB, Omaha, Nebr, subj: "Food Service Personnel Requirements," dtd 27 Oct 1953. (Exhibit 7)

12/ Ibid.

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Work Orders Completed and Time Lags

The budget cut and resulting austerity program which was put into effect 1 July 1953 made a revision in the processing of work orders necessary. Therefore, 811th Air Base Group incorporated the revision in the Standard Operating Procedures of all sections concerned. 13/

In connection with the SOP the Management Analysis Section of the Comptroller Department was required to make a survey once each month of all work orders processed through the Air Installations Office. This was in an effort to gain information as to the accuracy of estimated cost, time lags between estimated time of completion and actual time of completion, time lags in processing forms 332 and 332A, and any other information which would benefit either the Base Commander, Director of Materiel, or the Air Installations Officer.

On 27 November 1953 the Management Analysis Branch stated that the analysis could not be submitted to sections concerned because the Budget and Accounting Section does not receive the completed cost on all work orders from 15 to 30 days after the job is completed. 14/

During November 1953, 23 orders were completed totaling $1,715.58. Sixteen of these were estimated over the actual cost at an average of

13/ Ltr, (no file number), Hq 811th ABG, subj: "Analysis of Work Orders and Budget Control," dtd 3 Sept 1953. (Exhibit 8)

14/ Ltr, (no file number), Ofc of the Base Compt, Management Analysis Br, subj: "Work Orders completed and Time Lags," dtd 27 Nov 1953. (Exhibit 9)

$90.28 each. 15/ Five were estimated under the actual cost at an average of $54.21 each. Two work orders were not completely costed due to the issue slips not being returned to the Air Installations Cost Section.

In November 1953 the average days lag in work orders being processed through AIO was 4.4 days. This was one day less than that required during the month of October 1953. It was revealed that one reason for the lag was the Economy, Priority and Review Board which met each Monday to review most work order requests. To illustrate, a work order might have come by the AIO on Tuesday or Wednesday but would not be reviewed until the following Monday.

It was found that there was a small lag in the Budget and Accounting Section receiving the completed cost on all work orders. However, that situation was being corrected by Base Supply. It is now required that each Service Unit stamp all issue slips with a cost accounting copy to be returned to the AIO Cost Accounting Clerk. 16 & 17 /

Supervisory Staff Visit

On 27 November 1953, a supervisory staff visit was made to this organization by Lieutenant Colonel F. A. Brandt, Second Air Force Adjutant General, and one representative each from the Publications and Reproduction

15/ Ltr, BCMA, Ofc of the Base Compt, Mgt Analysis Br, Subj: "Work Orders Completed and Time Lags," dtd 10 Dec 1953. (Exhibit 10)
16/ Ibid.
17/ Memo fr AIO (no file number), Subj: "Work Orders Completed and Time Lags," dtd 4 Dec 1953. (Exhibit 11)

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and Forms Management. 18/ The report was favorable to the Adjutant's functions at Turner Air Force Base. The Adjutant's functions at Turner AFB are being handled in a very effective and efficient manner. The officers, key NCOs and civilians appear to be well qualified and interested in their work and their organization. There is more 'spirit' in the Adjutant's Office at Turner than at most bases, and the personnel all seemed to accomplish their work rapidly, confidently, and with pride." 19/

The report pointed out that a civilian employed by the post office department handles all monetary transactions only. It was stated that the arrangement at Turner Air Force Base does not conform to the provisions of Air Force Bulletin #37, dated 6 October 1950. No Air Force personnel should be engaged in such work at a normal ZI base. The Albany Postmaster will not perform all postal functions in accordance with AF Bulletin #37 because he has not budgeted for it. It was recommended that such information be included in correspondence to Headquarters, Second Air Force and action would be taken to obtain assistance of Headquarters, Strategic Air Command and Headquarters, USAF. 20/

18/ MEMO, file 2AFADJ, Chief of Staff, Subj: "Report of Supervisory Staff Visit, Turner AFB," dtd 27 Nov 1953. (Exhibit 12)
19/ Ibid.
20/ Ibid.

The 100th Air Refueling Squadron

The 100th Air Refueling Squadron was moved to Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia with currently assigned strength including maintenance support previously authorized the 91st Strategic Reconnaissance Wing. Action was initiated to inactivate the 100th Air Refueling Squadron on or about 1 December 1953, and to currently activate the 508th Air Refueling Squadron with assignment to the 508th Strategic Fighter Wing. 21/

As a result of the Air Refueling Squadron activation the following T/O changes were effected 15 November 1953. 22 & 23 /

Unit	T/O	Auth Str Off	Auth Str Amn
Hq 508th Strat Ftr Wg	1-1042, 1 Mar 53 1 x Parts II & IIA	30	92
508th Fld Maint Sq	1-7214P, 1 Mar 53 1 x Parts II & IIA	5	229
508th Periodic Maint Sq	1-7215P, 1 Mar 53 1 x Parts II & IIA	4	108
508th A&E Maint Sq	1-7216P-, 1 Mar 53 1 x Parts II & IIA	9	213
811th Supply Sq	1-7218P, 1 Mar 53 1 x Parts II & IIA	13	283
	1-8160P, 1 Mar 53 1 x Part IIB		

21/ 2AF Msg, 2AFPLA 1415, Subj: "Movement of Hq 100th ARS," 13 Nov 1953. (Exhibit 13)

22/ 2AF Msg. 2AFMSL 2401, Subj: "Augmentation of 508th SFW Maint Sqs to Support 100th ARS, 20 Nov 1953. (Exhibit 14).

23/ SAC Msg, DPLMA 39269, "Reorgn of 508th Maint Units and 811th Sup with Additional Personnel and Equipment," 6 Nov 1953. (Exhibit 15)

PERSONNEL

II - PERSONNEL

Officer Strength - 1 November 1953

40th Air Division

On the first of November 1953 there were 490 officers authorized for the 40th Air Division with 417 assigned. This was an increase in the assigned strength of nine officers over that of October 1953. 24/ As was true in the past reporting periods, this shortage is the result of an insufficient number of officers being transferred to this installation from higher headquarters. 25/

811th Air Base Group

Although there was a shortage of officers in both the 31st and the 508th Strategic Fighter Wings, the 811th Air Base Group percentage of shortage was the greater. For comparison, the 31st SFW had 186 officers authorized with 175 assigned. The 508th SFW was authorized 189 with 153 present. The 811th Air Base Group was authorized 105 with only 74 assigned. 26/

24/ Strength Rpt as of 7 Nov 1953 for 40th AD (Exhibit 16)
25/ Interview w/Base Pers. Officer by T/Sgt. Frank F. Aldridge, Historian.
26/ Strength Rpt as of 7 Nov 1953 for 40th AD (Exhibit 16)

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Airmen Strength - 1 November 1953

40th Air Division and 811th Air Base Group

The 40th Air Division was authorized 3,180 airmen during November 1953 and 3370 were assigned. 27/ Reasonable progress was made by the Directorate of Personnel to bring the total airmen strength down to the authorized strength. As of the first of November 1953 there were 243 overage airmen assigned to the 40th Air Division. There were 1675 airmen authorized in the 811th Air Base Group and 1797 assigned.

31st Strategic Fighter Wing Mobility Operation

The responsibility of the Base Personnel Office in the support of the 31st SFW Mobility Operation was primarily the procurement of adequate and qualified support personnel. This was in addition to the timely and complete processing for deployment of those personnel of the 811th Air Base Group and the 31st SFW.

The main difficulty encountered was the acute shortage of officer personnel assigned to the 811th Air Base Group. 28/ This shortage made it necessary to select key non-commissioned officers to fill the vacancies in the rosters. This was accomplished by a careful screening of NCO's past experience, performance, and over-all military ability. Non-commissioned officers selected were of a caliber comparable to that desirable in officer personnel. 29/

27/ Strength Rpt as of 7 Nov 1953 for 40th AD (Exhibit 16)
28/ See page 12 of this report.
29/ Ltr, file BP 314.7, Base Pers Sect, Subj: "Historical Rpt - Base Personnel, for the month of November 1953, dtd 4 Dec 1953 (Exhibit 17)

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The second problem encountered by the Base Personnel Directorate was brought about by the second phase of the airmen's early release program. This program required constant revision of mobility rosters, making it difficult to completely man the mobility requirements. 30/ The shortages were most acute in the Motor Vehicle, Supply and Air Police Squadrons. Because of shortages in these three organizations, it became necessary for the Base Personnel Officer to coordinate with the 31st SFW Director of Materiel to see just where it would be least disastrous to lose personnel on the Mobility Plan, and cut in those places. In order to most equitably withdraw personnel from squadrons for the Mobility Plan, the Base Personnel Officer checked the manning document. In this case, it was believed that those airmen were withdrawn and the operational effectiveness of the base was least affected. 31/

Third Phase Airmen's Early Release Program

In November 1953 the Base Personnel Office received authorization to implement the third phase of the current airmen's early release program. 32/ The criteria for release under this phase was identical to that of the previous two phases. Category Number 1 airmen were those men surplus in designated career fields. It was required that they

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30/ Ltr, file BP 314.7, Base Pers. Sect, subj: "Historical Report - Base Pers. for the month of November 1953," dtd 4 Dec 1953. (Exhibit 17)
31/ Ibid.
32/ SAC Msg DPPAC 43249, dtd 25 Nov 1953. (Exhibit 18)

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have two continuous years of active military service, and that they have a normal date of separation in fiscal year 1954. Category Number 2 airmen were basic airmen with two years service and airmen third class with three years service as of 15 September 1953. It was also a requirement that they volunteer. The date of separation was not considered a factor in category number 2.

Category Number 3 airmen were those who had made a smaller score than four on the tech specialty, or less than four on either mechanical or clerical aptitudes. They likewise were required to volunteer and must have a date of separation in fiscal year 1954. Airmen falling within category number 3 were to be separated without regard to grade or AFSC. It was anticipated by the Base Personnel Office that aproximately 40 airmen would be released under this provision. 33/

Officer Effectiveness Reports

Officer effectiveness reports were changed to some extent by a release of Air Force Regulation 36-10, dated 19 August 1953. There were some differences between the new and the old Form 77. 34 & 35/

The new regulation abolished the abbreviated officers effectiveness reports and training reports for periods of less than 60 days. As a result, a greater time and material saving was brought about. A comparison between the old AFR 36-10 and the new one was distributed to all interested personnel. 36/

33/ Ltr, file BP 314.7, Base Pers, Sect, subj: "Historical Report - Base Pers. for the month of November 1953. (Exhibit 17)
34/ AF Form 77, USAF Officer Effectiveness Report, dtd 1 Dec 51 (Exhibit 19)
35/ AF Form 77, USAF Officer Effectiveness Report, dtd 15 Nov 53 (Exhibit 20)
36/ Sheet comparing old and new AFR's 36-10. (Exhibit 21)

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Ground Safety

Accident Trend

November 1953 was the third consecutive month during which the military accident rate has continued downward. 37/ The rate for November was 2.56. This compared to the October 1953 rate of 3.27 and a cumulative rate of 4.43 for 1953. 38/ There were only three injuries reported for November 1953. There were no civilian reportable injuries and no reportable government vehicle accidents. The result was a good month for ground safety at this installation. 39/

Civilian Personnel

The Primary Management Training Course for civilian supervisors was completed in November 1953. Lieutenant Colonel Leaford Bearskin, deputy base commander, presented certificates to 13 civilians and one military supervisor. The colonel also addressed the group on the importance of management training in carrying out their every day assignments. 40/

37/ Ltr, Hq 811ABG, file Base GS 729.3, "Ground Accident Report for November 1953," dtd 1 Dec 1953. (Exhibit 22)
38/ The rate is based on the number of reportable injuries per each 100,000 man days.
39/ Ground Safety Brief, Vol VI, No. 12, dtd 12 Dec 1953. (Exhibit 23)
40/ Monthly Hist Civ Pers. Off. Nov 1953. (Exhibit 24)
41/ Ltr, Rctg Off Turner AFB, no file, subj: "Historical Report for the Month of November 1953," dtd 4 Dec 1953. (Exhibit 25)
42/ Ltr, BPPS, Pers Serv Ofc, subj: "Personnel Services History - November 1953," dtd 7 Dec 1953. (Exhibit 26)

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Recruiting and Personnel Services

Routine duties were performed by the Recruiting and Personnel Services Offices. 41 & 42 /

Airman Proficiency Tests

It was stressed to all unit commanders of the 40th Air Division in November 1953 that many difficulties had been encountered in administering the Airman Proficiency Tests. 43/

Among the more frequent obstacles were caused by airmen failing to report for testing, airmen reporting as much as one hour late for testing, and squadrons submitting airmen's names for testing when those airmen were not physically present for duty. For example, those on TDY, leave or pass. In some cases, airmen were reported to be available for testing when in fact they did not desire to take the tests.

Unit commanders were reminded to counsel those eligible for tests before granting leave or pass and before sending those airmen on TDY. It was the desire of the 40th Air Division Commander that special emphasis be placed on dates of primary and secondary testing periods as outlined in the attachment of AFR 35-383.

An arrangement was made whereby each squadron would inform the Base Test Control Officer in advance in cases where scheduled airmen were unable to report so that he may be rescheduled. 44/

41/ Ltr, Rctg Office, Turner AFB, no file, Subj: "Hist Rpt, Nov 1953, (Exhibit 25)
42/ Ltr, BPPS, Pers Serv. Ofc, Subj: "Pers. Serv. Hist Rpt. (Exhibit 26)
43/ Ltr, Hq 40AD, file BP 220.01, subj: "Airman Proficiency Tests," dtd 25 Nov 1953. (Exhibit 27)
44/ Ibid.

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Officer Strength - 30 November 1953

40th Air Division

On 30 November 1953 there were 602 officers authorized in the 40th Air Division. This was an increase of 110 officers over the 1 November 1953 authorization. This increase was due to the assignment of the 508th Air Refueling Squadron to this base. At the end of this reporting period there were 507 officers assigned. 45/

811th Air Base Group

There were 105 officers authorized within the 811th Air Base Group at the end of this reporting period. There were 77 assigned. 46/

Airmen Strength - 30 November 1953

40th Air Division and 811th Air Base Group

At the end of November there were 3599 airmen authorized in the 40th Air Division and 3695 assigned. In the 811th Air Base Group, 1704 were authorized and 1802 assigned. 47/

45/ Strength Rpt as of 30 Nov 1953 for 40AD. (Exhibit 28)
46/ Ibid.
47/ Ibid.

Dependents Assistance

The Dependents Assistance Council held the first regularly scheduled meeting 2 November 1953. The main discussion centered around the personal problems confronting dependents of Turner Air Force Base personnel who are on TDY overseas. 48/

Chaplain (Major) Luther W. McArthur, Base Chaplain, suggested that a general meeting for all dependents residing in the immediate area surrounding Turner Air Force Base be held. This plan was not acted upon when information was forthcoming from the Personal Affairs officer that plans had already been made with the Turner Air Force Base NCO Wives Club to accomplish this by the following means:

Letters were written to each adult dependent explaining that the Base Commander is vitally interested in their welfare. 49/ Included as an inclosure to the letter was a list of the facilities available to the dependents. 50/

48/ Hist. Rpt fr Personal Affairs Ofc, Nov 1953. (Exhibit 29)
49/ Personal letter, Hq 811th ABG, signed by Col. John J. Easton, Base Commander. (Exhibit 30)
50/ Fact sheet, list of facilities available to dependents at most bases. (Exhibit 31)

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OPERATIONS AND TRAINING

III - OPERATIONS AND TRAINING

Operations Order 201-53

Among the major operations and training activities at Turner Air Force Base during this month was the deployment of tactical squadrons of the 508th Strategic Fighter Wing to Eglin Air Force Base (Florida) Auxiliary Field #6. From this installation 508th SFW planes participated in both air-to-ground and air-to-air gunnery. 51/

The air-to-ground gunnery was performed at Range No. 6A, and the air-to-air gunnery was accomplished at Gulfwater Ranges No. 32 through 35.

Saturday Training Schedules

During the month of November 1953 special emphasis was placed on Saturday training schedules to insure good programs. Major William F. Kahley, director of operations and training for the 811th Air Base Group, made a flight to the Air University, Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama where he scheduled some outstanding guest speakers to lecture here. 52/

Colonel John J. Easton, base commander, made a flight to the Strategic Air Command, Offutt Air Force Base, Omaha, Nebraska, where he secured the services of Mr. William J. Parker, Strategic Air Command Security Analyst for lectures on "Communism and its Practices" in the Base Theater 19 and 20 November 1953. 53/

51/ Ops Order No. 201-53, Hq 508th SFW, dtd 25 Nov 53. (Exhibit 32)
52/ Ltr, Hq 40AD, file BOT 353.01, subj: "Lecture," dtd 18 Nov 1953. (Exhibit 33)
53/ Ibid.

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The second guest speaker was Major Orr Y. Potebnya of Maxwell Air Force Base, Montgomery, Alabama. Major Potebnya's lecture was also on communism. Credit was given for lesson 1, phase 1 of the security indoctrination course to those who attended the lecture.

There was a Division Review conducted 21 November 1953. 54/

Base Communications

In November 1953 final tests were made prior to cutting in the switchboard in the new communications center. The change-over was scheduled for 12 December 1953. 55/

Crash Alarm System

The new crash alarm set was received during this reporting period and was installed with the master control position located in the Base Operations dispatch office. The new equipment is capable of handling 21 stations. The new crash alarm switchboard was also received in November 1953. Installation of this equipment is scheduled to be accomplished at the Main Fire Station in the immediate future. 56/

54/ Ltr, Hq 40AD, file BOT 353.01, subj: "Training Schedule for Saturday, 21 November 1953," dtd 18 Nov 1953. (Exhibit 34)
55/ Ltr, 811th Opns Sq (No file number), subj: "Historical Report," dtd 3 Dec 1953. (Exhibit 35)
56/ Ibid.

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Base Non-Tactical Radio System

During November 1953 a site was surveyed for the base non-tactical radio system. Radio sets authorized by the standard facility equipment list were ordered. Also ordered were crystal frequencies as authorized by USAF allocation. This system was designed to provide radio communications for the Air Police, and crash fire and maintenance control expeditions. 57/

AFR 60-2 Requirements

The percentages of Air Force Regulation 60-2 requirements completed by pilots assigned or attached to Base Flight of the 811th Air Base Group for flying during November 1953 were as follows: 58/ Proficiency, 86.7 percent; night, 92.4 percent, and hood and/or weather, 93.5 percent. 59/ The proficiency percentage remained static with October's, however, night rose from 86.2 percent while hood and/or weather rose substantially from 75.7 percent. 60/

57/ Ltr, 811th Ops Sq, no file, subj: "Historical Report," dtd 3 Dec 1953. (Exhibit 35)

58/ Ibid.

59/ These percentages are based on the semi-annual maximum requirements of 65 hours proficiency, nine hours night and 10 hours hood and/or weather. Percentages are based on 28 pilots present for duty.

60/ See page 13 of the 40AD and 811th ABG Hist. Rpt for Oct 1953.

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Training Activities

Training activities of the 811th Operations Squadron were considered normal during the month of November, 1953. Range firing, ABC warfare, morse code training, synthetic training, and physical conditioning were routine. For a detailed list of routine activities, see the appendix. 61/

61/ Ltr, 811th Ops Sq, (no file number), subj: "Historical Rpt," dtd 3 December 1953. (Exhibit 35)

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MATERIEL

IV - MATERIEL

Important Shortages and Overages

ANFE and AOCP Rates

The primary problem confronting the Base Materiel Office during November 1953 was that of maintaining a sufficient flow of aircraft parts. This lack of parts did not severely affect the number of airplanes out of commission, however, it did cause the percentage of aircraft not fully equipped to rise sharply. 62/

The AOCP rate for November 1953 was 5.9 percent. This compares favorably with the October 1953 rate which was 6.5 percent. 63/ The ANFE rate for November was 52.7 percent. This was an increase over the October 1953 rate which was 44.4 percent. 64/

In order to remedy the supply procedure, the Base Materiel Office dispatched two airmen to Warner Robins Air Materiel Area (Supply Depot). 65/ In addition, a truck was dispatched twice weekly to Robins Air Force Base to bring stock level of KB-29 spares up to date. The Base Materiel Officer stated that due to the short time that KB-29 type aircraft had been assigned to this station, a good working level had not been set up. However, it was the plan of that section to change the levels as consumption merited. 66/

62/ AOCP-ANFE status as of 0800 hours Wednesday 2 Dec 1953. (Exhibit 36)
63/ See page 24 of the 40AD & 811th ABG Hist Rpt for October 1953.
64/ Ibid.
65/ Par 11, SO 270, Hq 40AD, dtd 12 Nov 1953. (Exhibit 37)
66/ DD Form 96, fr S-4 to Base Comdr, subj: "KB-29 AOCP Rate," (Exhibit 38)

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VDP and VDM Rates

The VDP rate for the month of November 1953 was 2.99 percent. This was a slight increase over the October 1953 rate which was 2.78. The VDM rate for November 1953 was .91 percent, a decrease of .17 percent over the October 1953 rate which was 1.16 percent. 67/

Base Supply

Service Units I and II

After the departure of the 31st Strategic Fighter Wing, 68/ it was felt that the workload of the aircraft handling service units would slacken. However, the arrival of the 508th Air Refueling Squadron 69/ increased the workload above that when both fighter wings were in operation. 70/ This was caused mainly by the non-stock of KB-29 spare aircraft parts at this base. Warehouse and stock record personnel of Service Units I and II were mostly affected by the assignment of the new squadron. This was due to new storage locations being assigned and to stock records which had to be established.

67/ DD Form 96 fr Mtr Veh Sq to S-4, Subj: "VDP and VDM Report," (Exhibit 39)
68/ See 31st SFW Hist. Rpt for Oct. 1953.
69/ See page 11, 40AD & 811th ABG Hist Rpt for October 1953.
70/ The 100th Air Refueling Squadron was transferred from Lockbourne AFB, Ohio to Turner AFB, Georgia in October 1953. The squadron was inactivated in November 1953. Concurrently, the 508th Air Refueling Squadron was activated. There was no change in personnel. SAC GO 82, dtd 20 November 1953. (Exhibit 40)

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Flyaway Kit Section

The arrival of the 508th Air Refueling Squadron also increased the duties of the Flyaway Kit Section. The latter part of November 1953 saw the arrival of KB-29 flyaway kits. The first kits were stored in the old Flyaway Kit building. The flyaway bins used by the 508th Air Refueling Squadron were substantially larger than those used by the fighter squadron. This necessitated more storage space. 71/

New Base Supply Building

Considerable time was spent on the movement of the different units to the new Base Supply building. Included in this movement was Service Unit 3, Service Unit 4, Receiving and Classification and Publications. The transfer of the Stock Records Section of the units was accomplished in a few hours. The offices were moved and in full production in one day. Service Unit 3 moved all their warehouse property into the new building. This required six days. Approximately 5,500 line items were moved and relocated in the new warehouse. Service Unit 4 moved approximately 17,000 line items also. This move required 10 days. 72/

Remodeling Base Exchange

Plans for remodeling the Base Exchange 73/ remained at a stand-still in November 1953. This was likewise true of the plan for the Exchange to purchase the air conditioning unit which is installed in the building

71/ Interview w/Base Sup Off by T/Sgt. Frank F. Aldridge, Historian.
72/ Interview w/Service Units 3 & 4 supervisors by T/Sgt. Frank F. Aldridge, Historian.

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formerly occupied by the Base Service Club. Final action on these projects is awaiting authority from the Army and Air Force Exchange Service. 74/

New Base Filling Station

There were no new developments on the plan to erect a new filling station at this installation. 75/ This was likewise held in abeyance pending final instructions from the Army and Air Force Exchange Service. 76/

Base Theater Air Conditioning Unit

In November 1953 a letter was posted to the Commander, Second Air Force, requesting assistance in the attempt to obtain funds from the Motion Picture Service for the installation of a cooling tower for the air conditioning unit in the Base Theater. 77/

The Motion Picture Service had advised that this item was considered maintenance service, the cost of which would not be borne by the Motion Picture Service.

Paragraph 6 of Air Force Regulation 65-19 stated that a cooling tower is an item of equipment, and that it was the responsibility of the non-appropriated fund using activity to pay for it. A report of the progress of this activity will be reported in the December 1953 historical report.

74/ Interview w/BX Officer by T/Sgt Frank F. Aldridge, Historian.
75/ See page 21 of the 40AD & 811th ABG Hist Rpt for October, 1953.
76/ Interview w/BX Officer by T/Sgt. Frank F. Aldridge, Historian.
77/ Ltr, BM 600.1, Hq 40AD, Subj: "Cooling Tower for Air Conditioning Unit Installed in Base Theater," dtd 6 Nov 1953. (Exhibit 41)

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V - MORALE

Bowling Alleys

After all the ground work on the proposed bowling alleys was accomplished by the Personnel Services Office and the Air Installations Office, 78/ an application for a special grant for construction was forwarded to higher headquarters. 79/ A justification for the bowling alleys was forwarded to higher headquarters on 9 November 1953. 80/ Plans called for construction of six bowling lanes in a building measuring 37 by 99 feet. The total cost of the enterprise was not to exceed $20,000.

There was said to be a great need for this indoor sport at this installation. The only bowling alley in this vicinity is located some six miles from the main gate. Since there is presently only one 2-lane highway leading east from Albany, Georgia, base personnel seeking to participate in this activity must traverse almost the entire six miles through unreasonably heavy traffic. In addition, the civilian enterprise has only eight lanes. This necessarily creates an over-crowded condition and eliminates many servicemen from participating enthusiastically.

The building of a six-lane alley on Turner Air Force Base was proposed to create a wholesome recreational activity for the benefit of

78/ See page 25 of the 40AD & 811th ABG Hist Rpt for Oct 1953.
79/ Ltr, TAFB, Pers. Serv Ofc, file Base-CNWF 123, subj: "Application for Special Grant," undated. (Exhibit 42)
80/ Ltr, TAFB, Pers Serv Ofc, file Base-PS 123, subj: "Justification of Bowling Alleys," dtd 9 Nov 1953. (Exhibit 43)

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all officers and airmen at this station. 81/ No answer to the application for a special grant was received in November 1953. 82/

As early as August 1953 it was determined that the present Turner Air Force Base Service Club was becoming grossly inadequate. 83/

Since the master base plan called for the Service Club to be located in an "H" type building, the one formerly occupied by Base Supply was selected. 84/ At that time a request for a $13,000 grant was made to the Turner Air Force Base Consolidated Nonappropriated Welfare Fund Council to move the air-conditioning unit from the old building and to install additional needed equipment. 85/

Upon receipt of the application, representatives of the Second Air Force Personnel Services called the Turner Air Force Base Personnel Services Office and asked what use was going to be made of the building formerly occupied by the Service Club. Upon being informed that it was proposed to use it as a Base Exchange Snack Bar, the Second Air Force representative suggested that proceedings be implemented to sell the air-conditioning unit intact to the Base Exchange. 86/

It was stated in the telephone conversation that this procedure would be more economically advantageous to the Air Force. 87/ Also, it

81/ Ltr, TAFB, Pers. Serv Ofc, file Base PS 123, subj: "Justification of Bowling Alleys," dtd 9 Nov 1953. (Exhibit 43).
82/ Interview w/Pers. Serv Ofc, NCOIC by T/Sgt. Frank F. Aldridge.
83/ See page 26 of the 40AD & 811th ABG Hist Rpt for Oct 1953.
84/ Ltr, Pers Serv Ofc, file BPS 123, Subj: "Justification for Special Grant," dtd 24 Aug 1953. (Exhibit 24)
85/ Ltr, Pers Serv Ofc, file BPS 123, subj: "Description of Project," dtd 21 Aug 1953. (Exhibit 45)
86/ See page 26 of the 40AD & 811th ABG Hist Rpt for Oct 1953.
87/ Interview w/Pers Ofc NCOIC by T/Sgt. Frank F. Aldridge, Historian.

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was stated that the request for a grant would be approved in an amount not to exceed $25,000, less the sales price to the Base Exchange Service, and the unused portion of the original grant to air condition the former Service Club. 88/ The authority to negotiate with the Exchange Service for sale of the air-conditioning unit was substantiated by a message from Headquarters Second Air Force 8 October 1953. 89/ Final official action on this project is awaiting action by the Army and Air Force Exchange Service.

Winterizing Picnic Area Pavilion

On 12 November 1953 an application for a special grant for winterizing the picnic area pavilion was made to the Second Air Force Commander. 91/

This action was deemed necessary for several major reasons. Among them was the inclement weather in this locality which prevented full use of the pavilion during the entire 12 months of the year. Since the construction of this building was to provide a facility for the year-round enjoyment and pleasure of all military personnel and their dependents at this base, it was felt imperative that steps be taken to most nearly insure that it measured up to the requirements for which it was designed. 92/

88/ This was SAC grant number 52 which authorized $10,000 for air-conditioning the old Service Club. Only $9,515 was actually used in that project. This left a total of $485.00 which was to be applied to the cost of air-conditioning the new Service Club. See pages 30 and 31 of the 40AD & 811th ABG Hist. Rpt for July 1953.
89/ Msg fr Hq SAC, file DPSS 32197, dtd 8 Oct 1953.
90/ Interview w/Pers Serv Ofc NCOIC and BX Officer by T/Sgt. Frank F. Aldridge, Historian.
91/ Ltr, Hq TAFB, file Base-CNWF 123, Subj: "Application for Special Grant," dtd 12 Nov 1953. (Exhibit 47)
92/ Ltr, Pers Serv Ofc, TAFB, file BPPS 123, Subject: "Justification for Winterizing Picnic Area Pavilion," dtd 12 Nov 1953. (Exhibit 48)

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SPECIAL PROJECTS

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Community Chest Campaign for 1953

During November 1953 the Community Chest Drive was initiated at Turner Air Force Base, 93/ The campaign was begun earnestly and vigorously with the appointment of a project officer, deputy project officer, deputy project officer for civilian personnel, and a project staff. 94/

By the end of this reporting period, there had been a total of $3,584.53 contributed by units and organizations at this installation. 95/ Since this amount does not include that given by the 31st Strategic Fighter Wing, which is now on TDY outside the continental limits of the United States, it is reasonable to assume that this year's contribution will exceed that of 1952 when $4,443.66 was given. A very minimum of $1,000 is expected from the 31st SFW in December 1953. 96/

Lieutenant Colonel Leaford Bearskin, deputy project officer, stated that the results of this year's campaign were gratifying and that he felt confident a tabulation of the final figure would reveal that this year's contribution exceeded that of 1952. 97/

93/ Ltr, file DCDR 080, Hq 40AD, Subj: "Turner Air Force Base Community Chest Campaign for 1953," dtd 27 Oct 1953. (Exhibit 49)
94/ Ibid.
95/ 1953 Community Chest Fund Donations. (Exhibit 50)
96/ Interview w/Lieutenant Colonel Leaford Bearskin, by T/Sgt. Frank F. Aldridge, Historian.
97/ Ibid.

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ROSTER OF KEY PERSONNEL

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As of 30 November 1953

Headquarters 40th Air Division

Brigadier General Thayer S. Olds	Division Commander
Colonel Joe P. Williams	Director of Personnel (Prim dy) Executive Officer (Add dy)
Colonel William D. Dunham	Director of Operations
Lt. Col. George K. Sykes	Operations Staff Officer (TDY - 31st SFW, Japan)
Major Harry P. Wagner	Operations Staff Officer
Colonel Albert V. Kanig	Director of Materiel
Lt. Col. Frank B. Stuart	Chief, Aircraft Maintenance Branch
1st Lt. Ben F. Sands	Aide-de-camp

811th Air Base Group

Colonel John J. Easton	Base Commander
Lt. Col. Leaford Bearskin	Deputy Commander
Major Edmond L. Fortin	Base Adjutant
Captain John E. Schnell	Base Personnel Officer
Major William F. Kahley	Base Operations and Training Officer
Lt. Col. Fred L. Houck	Base Manpower Officer
Lt. Col. Armon C. Guthrie	Base Materiel Officer
1st Lt. Schuyler Berry	Base Comptroller

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Roster of Key Personnel - 811th Air Base Group (Cont'd)

1st Lt. Louis V. di Donato	Staff Judge Advocate
Major (Chaplain) Luther W. McArthur	Base Chaplain
2nd Lt. Charles S. Wright	Base Information Services Officer (TDY - 31st SFW, Japan)
Major William F. Kahley	Comdr, 811th Operations Sq
Major Bruce B. Wilson	Comdr, 811th Supply Sq
Major Carl H. Neiswender	Comdr, 811th Motor Vehicle Sq
Major Robert I, DeWitt	Comdr, 811th Installation Sq
Captain J. W. Henderson	Comdr, 811th Air Police Sq
2nd Lt. Lee R. McNair	Comdr, 811th Food Service Sq
Major Vernie G. Black	Comdr, Headquarters Squadron Section, 811th AB Group

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HEADQUARTERS
40TH AIR DIVISION (SAC)
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

GENERAL ORDERS)
NUMBER 56)

29 October 1953

ASSUMPTION OF COMMAND.--Under the provisions of Air Force Regulation 24-1, the undersigned assumes command of the 40th Air Division during the temporary absence of BRIGADIER GENERAL THAYER S GIDS 9724.

David C. Schilling

DAVID C. SCHILLING
Colonel, USAF
Commanding

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HEADQUARTERS
40TH AIR DIVISION (SAC)
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

GENERAL ORDERS)
NUMBER 37)

27 November 1953

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ASSUMPTION OF COMMAND

Pursuant to authority contained in Air Force Regulation 24-1, the undersigned assumes command of the 40th Air Division during the temporary absence of BRIGADIER GENERAL THAYER S OLDS 372A.

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CY WILSON
Colonel, USAF
Commander

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HEADQUARTERS
SECOND AIR FORCE (SAC)
Barksdale Air Force Base, La

GENERAL ORDERS) 9 November 1953

NUMBER 39)

1. APPOINTMENT OF BASE COMMANDER--By direction of the President announcement is made of the appointment of LIEUTENANT COLONEL LEAFORD BEARSKIN, A0522703, as Commander of the 811th Air Base Group and Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia, during the temporary absence of COLONEL JOHN J EASTON, 4051A, effective 10 November 1953. AUTH: AFR 24-1, AFR 35-54 and SAC Reg 36-8.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMANDER:

OFFICIAL:

KENNETH O SANBORN
Colonel, USAF
Chief of Staff

FORREST A BRANDT
Lt Col, USAF
Adjutant

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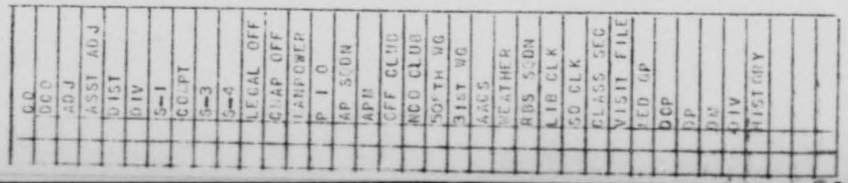
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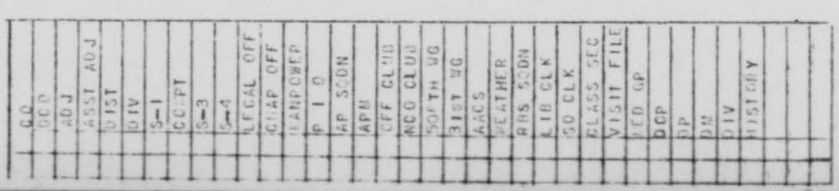

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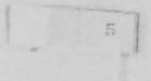

HEADQUARTERS 40TH AIR DIVISION
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

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SUBJECT: Waiver of Board of Officers Under Provisions of AFR 35-66, AFR 39-16 and AFR 39-17.

TO: See Distribution

The following message is disseminated for your information and necessary action.

"Following message Headquarters USAF, dated 4 November 1953, is quoted for information and necessary action. From AFPMP-4BC 9490M. Pending publication of appropriate changes to AFR 35-66, AFR 39-16 and AFR 39-17, the following interim change designed to remove requirement for Board of Officers where an airman requests discharge and waives board action, will be effective immediately. This change also provides for certain recommended AFR 35-66 cases to be disposed of under AFR 39-16 and AFR 39-17.

A. AFR 35-66. When an investigation indicates an individual falls within the purview of AFR 35-66 he will be confronted with the nature of the evidence against him and afforded the opportunity of signing the following application for discharge. Subject: Application for Discharge, AFR 35-66. To: Director of Military Personnel, Headquarters USAF. I have been informed that my commander has initiated action against me under AFR 35-66. I have read AFR 35-66 and understand that under that regulation I am entitled to an impartial hearing by a Board of Officers, that at such hearing I am entitled to counsel and to present evidence and call witnesses in my behalf. I hereby waive my entitlement to appear before the Board and I request discharge without benefit of Board proceedings. I understand that if this application is approved, my separation from the Air Force may be under conditions other than honorable and that I may receive an Undesirable Discharge; that this may deprive me of rights as a veteran, under both Federal and State Legislation, and that I may expect to encounter substantial prejudice in civilian life in situations wherein the type of service rendered in the Armed Forces or the character of discharge received therefrom may have a bearing. Legal counsel has been made available to me. I voluntarily sign this application for discharge of my own free will." In those cases where the airman elects to sign the above statement the fully documented case and all available evidence will be forwarded in normal manner. The Commander exercising General Court-Martial jurisdiction will determine whether trial by court-martial is appropriate. If trial is not appropriate or if although appropriate the said court-martial authority deems it inadvisable he will forward the case together with the airman's application for discharge with a statement of reasons why in his opinion trial is not appropriate or not advisable to the Director of Military Personnel, Headquarters USAF, Washington 25, D.C. for referral to the Secretary of Air Force Personnel Council. The forwarding indorsement will be signed personally by the Commander or officer second in command.

B. AFR 39-17. After preparation of the Commander's report detailed in paragraph 3b AFR 39-17 the report will be referred to the airman who will then be afforded an opportunity to sign the following application for discharge. Subject: Application for Discharge/AFR 39-17/ TO: Commander exercising General Court-Martial jurisdiction. I have been informed that my commander has initiated action against me under AFR 39-17. I have read his report stating the specific reasons I am considered unfit and I have also read and understand AFR 39-17. I understand that under that regulation I am entitled to an impartial hearing by a Board of Officers; that at such hearing I am entitled to counsel and to present evidence and call witnesses in my behalf. I hereby waive my entitlement to appear before the Board and I request discharge without the benefit of Board proceedings. I understand that if this application is approved my separation from the Air Force may be under conditions other than honorable and that I may receive an Undesirable Discharge; that this may deprive me of rights as a veteran under both Federal and State Legislation and that I may expect to encounter substantial prejudice in civilian life in situations wherein the type of service rendered in the Armed Forces or the character of discharge received therefrom may have bearing. Legal counsel has been made available to me. I voluntarily sign this application for discharge of my own free will." If the airman elects to sign the statement he will be referred for medical evaluation required by paragraph 3d AFR 39-17 and the documented case forwarded through channels to the Commander exercising general court-martial jurisdiction who will, after review by the Staff Judge Advocate, take one of the following actions.

1. Accept the application for discharge and order a discharge under AFR 39-17 with an Undesirable Discharge.

2. Order discharge under AFR 39-16 with a General Discharge certificate, DD Form 257AF.

3. Direct airman's retention in service.

4. Convene a Board of Officers pursuant to AFR 39-17 notwithstanding the airman's waiver of Board proceedings.

Commander will take positive action to insure complete documentation

entitled to an impartial hearing by a Board of Officers; that at such hearing I am entitled to counsel and to present evidence and call witnesses in my behalf. I hereby waive my entitlement to appear before the Board and I request discharge without benefit of Board proceedings. I understand that although my separation with a General Discharge will be under honorable conditions, I will be ineligible for reenlistment in the Air Force and will normally not be accepted for enlistment in any other branch of the service. I further understand that I may expect to encounter prejudice in civilian life wherein the type of service I rendered in the Air Force may apply. Legal counsel has been made available to me. I voluntarily sign this application for discharge of my own free will." If the airman elects to sign the statement he will be referred for medical evaluation required by paragraph 5b, AFR 39-16 and the documented case forwarded through channels to the Commander exercising General Court-Martial jurisdiction, who will, after review by the Staff Judge Advocate, take one of the following actions:

1. Accept the application for discharge and order discharge under AFR 39-16 with a General Discharge certificate, DD Form 257AF.

2. Direct airman's retention in service.

3. Return the report for resubmission under AFR 39-17 where the record shows unfitness rather than inaptitude or unsuitability.

4. Return the report directing that a Board be convened under AFR 39-16 notwithstanding that airman's waiver of Board proceedings. Note that this procedure requires that where the statement is signed and a Board is not held, final authority is vested in the commander exercising general court martial authority rather than with the commander exercising AFR 39-10 discharge authority. Special attention is invited to paragraph 4b AFR 39-16. Airman properly falling within the purview of this, AFR 39-17, will not be discharged under AFR 39-16.

D. The Secretary of the Air Force, may, upon recommendation of the Air Force Personnel Board, direct discharge under AFR 39-17 or AFR 39-16 of an airman being considered for discharge under AFR 35-66 when it is determined that discharge under AFR 35-66 is not appropriate and that the evidence conclusively indicates that the airman is unfit, AFR 39-17, or unsuitable, AFR 39-16, for further military service. Same instructions issued to all major commanders."

BY ORDER OF THE COMMANDER:

Edmond L. Fortin

EDMOND L. FORTIN
Major, USAF
Adjutant

DISTRIBUTION:
Comdr 31st Strat Ftr Wg
Comdr 508th Strat Ftr Wg
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OFFICE OF THE BASE COMPTROLLER
MANAGEMENT ANALYSIS BRANCH
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

BCMA 1 December 1953

SUBJECT: Analysis of Food Service Career Fields

THRU: Base Comptroller
811th Air Base Group
Turner AFB, Georgia

TO: Lt Col Armon C. Guthrie
Base Materiel
811th Air Base Group
Turner AFB, Georgia

1. A study was made to determine the effect overages (in the 50 and 70 level of the Food Service career field) have on Turner Air Force Base both financially and from a morale point of view. It was found that certain higher skilled personnel are being utilized in 30 and 10 level jobs due to the over-crowded condition in the 50 and 70 levels. Financially, this mis-utilization results in an approximate monthly loss of $2600 (Appendix A). There were some instances in which a 70 level was being utilized almost completely in the 50 and 30 level.

2. The effect this improper balance of personnel has on morale cannot be directly measured, but the following chart discloses the poor condition concerning promotion possibilities:

Grade	Number Authorized	Number Assigned	Number Eligible for Promotion
M/Sgt	3	4	--
T/Sgt	6	19	15
S/Sgt	46	41	32

a. Not only are personnel in the T/Sgt grade (and probably S/Sgts as of this month) frozen as to promotions, they are also doing work not commensurate with their AFSC. For example, the Food Service Squadron is authorized nine 70's but they have assigned thirty; however, only nine are working 100% in 70 level duties.

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Appendix A

/s&t/ CHARLES M FLOWERS
2d Lt USAF
Management Analysis

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JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt, USAF

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Offutt Air Force Base
Omaha, Nebraska

DTLMD 329 27 October 1953

SUBJECT: Food Service Personnel Requirements

TO: Commander
Second Air Force
Barksdale Air Force Base
Louisiana

1. Due to a Headquarters USAF ceiling on the total number of personnel that may be authorized in the food service function, new authorizations are being placed in effect during December of 1953.

2. In accordance with the policy of this command that there be no rostering of personnel for the kitchen police duty, an overage manning is being authorized for that purpose. This overage manning authorization reflects the maximum number of personnel to be assigned as augmentation to the Table of Authorization or Distribution to provide for kitchen police duty. Although past attempts have been unsuccessful to obtain troop spaces from Headquarters United States Air Force for mess attendants, this overage authorization will remain in effect until troop spaces are obtained and the current restrictive United States Air Force ceiling is raised.

3. In order to maintain the food service function, including kitchen police, with the smallest possible expenditure of manpower, it is necessary that a concentrated program be instituted at the earliest possible time. To abide within or to lower the current manpower expenditure is imperative. It is, therefore, requested that comments and recommendations be forwarded to arrive this headquarters no later than 1 March 1954 concerning the minimum manpower authorization requirements and the operation of all food service functions in your command. Attention should be given to lessening the number of dining halls and consolidating dining halls during slack periods. During the service test period, personnel will not be assigned to the food service function in excess of troop space and overage authoirzation.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMANDER.

s/t/ J. P. McConnel
Major General, USAF
Director of Plans

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Hq SAC, Offutt AFB, Nebr, DPLM 320, Subject: Food Sv Pers Requirements

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HEADQUARTERS SECOND AIR FORCE, BARKSDALE AIR FORCE BASE, LOUISIANA
30 NOV 1953

TO: Commander, 40th Air Division, Turner Air Force Base, Georgia

1. Reference paragraph 2 basic letter, the following manning is authorized the 811th Food Service Squadron:

811th FSS	OFF	W/O	AMN
T/O 1-8020 1 X Part III	1	1	118
OVERAGE MANNING			39 A/C

2. Although reorganization will not be effective until 13 December manning as shown in paragraph 1 above is effective immediately.

3. Ground rules for the service test set forth in the basic letter are as follows:

a. All personnel over and above the T/O authorization plus authorized overage must be reassigned immediately.

b. The test will be made from 13 December through 17 February 1954. A report on the operation will be made on 1 Feb 1954 for the period 13 Dec through 17 Jan and a second report will be submitted upon completion of the test for the period 18 Jan through 17 Feb.

c. The Materiel Services Branch, this headquarters, will prepare a format for reporting purposes covering information deemed necessary to enable this Headquarters to accurately evaluate the test.

R. E. STUFFER
CWO USAF
Asst Adjutant

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JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

HEADQUARTERS 811TH AIR BASE GROUP
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

3 September 1953

SUBJECT: Analysis of Work Orders and Budget Control

TO: Staff Sections Concerned

E X T R A C T

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3. The Management Analysis Section of the Comptroller Department will, once each month, make a survey of all work orders processed through the Air Installations Office in an effort to gain information as to the accuracy of estimated cost, time lags between estimated time of completion and actual time of completion, time lags in processing forms 332 and 332A, and any other information which will benefit either the Base Commander, Director of Materiel, or the Air Installations Officer. A copy of this analysis will be forwarded not later than the tenth of each month to the above mentioned agencies.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

/s&t/ JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF
Asst Adjutant

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1. Work Order Analysis & Budget Control

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OFFICE OF THE BASE COMPTROLLER
MANAGEMENT ANALYSIS BRANCH
811th Air Base Group
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

27 November 1953

SUBJECT: Work Orders Completed and Time Lags

TO: See Distribution

1. In reference to letter, dated 3 September 1953, Subject: Analysis of Work Orders and Budget Control, this analysis cannot be submitted to sections concerned by the Management Branch on the tenth of each month due to the fact the Budget and Accounting Section does not receive the completed cost on all work orders from 15 to 30 days after the job is completed.

2. Twenty-five individual work orders were completed during the month of October, with six of the work orders not being completely costed. Twelve of these work orders were estimated over the actual cost at an average of $12.25 each. The actual cost for the 19 work orders was $1596.97 of 60% of the estimated cost of $2642.72.

3. During the month of October, the average days lag in work orders being processed through the Air Installations Officer's Office was 5.4 days.

4. The Air Installations Office was not using the estimated completion date before 1 November 1953 as directed by SAC Manual 93-1. Therefore, the Management Analysis Branch cannot give a complete analysis of Work Orders and Budget Control until the December analysis is due.

/s/t/ CHARLES M. FLOWERS
2nd Lt USAF
Management Analysis

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1st Lt., USAF

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OFFICE OF THE BASE COMPTROLLER
MANAGEMENT ANALYSIS BRANCH
811th Air Base Group
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

BCMA 10 December 1953

SUBJECT: Work Orders Completed and Time Lags

TO: See Distribution

1. During November 1953, 23 orders were completed totaling $1,715.58. Sixteen of these were estimated over the actual cost at an average of $90.28 each. Five were estimated under the actual cost at an average of $54.21 each. Two work orders were not completely costed due to the issue slips not being returned to the Air Installations Cost Section.

2. Seventeen work orders were completed on an average of 15 days prior to estimated date of completion; one was completed as scheduled, and five were an average of seven days late.

3. In November the average days lag in work orders being processed through the Air Installations Officer's Office was 4.4 days. This is one day less than the previous month. One reason for this lag is due to the Ecohomy, Priority and Review Board which meets each Monday for the purpose of reviewing most work order requests. For example, a work order may come into the Air Installations Office Tuesday or Wednesday but would not be reviewed until the following Monday.

4. There is still a small lag in the Budget and Accounting Section receiving the completed cost on all work orders; however, this situation is being corrected by Base Supply. They are requiring each Service Unit to stamp all issue slips with a cost accounting copy to be returned to the Air Installation's Cost Accounting Clerk.

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1st Lt., USAF

/s&t/ CHARLES M FLOWERS
2d Lt USAF
Management Analysis

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8 Dec 1953

FILE NO.

SUBJECT: Work Orders Completed and Time Lags

TO: Mat Analysis Branch
THRU: Col. Guthrie, S-4

FROM: AIO

DATE: 4 Dec 53

COMMENT NO. 1

1. The AIO Cost Section cannot complete costs on work orders until all cost accounting copies of turn-ins and issues are received. There is as much as a month time lag between actual issue or turn-in and the receipt of cost accounting copies. AIO Cost Section has definite knowledge of cases where cost accounting copies of issues and turn-ins were never received.

2. Reason for six work orders not being completely costed could be one or both of the following:

a. AIO Cost Section knew there were more cost accounting copies due and therefore could not complete cost.

b. Material was ordered for a specific work order in accordance with SAC Manual 93-1 and the work order released prior to receipt of material (in direct violation of SOM 414-4, par 5). Work order was completed by use of shop stock and substitute materials. This meant that we still had requisitions in for materials to complete this work order which was completed with available material. (Pre-release of work order was generally caused by pressure from initiating organization. Consequently, we must wait until material originally ordered arrives and turn it in to Supply again before we can complete cost, otherwise the total of materials used and materials ordered for this work order would would be costed to this work order.

3. 5.4. days not considered excessive due to the processing received by each individual request.

4. Estimated completion date being used on all requests.

/s/ Robert I. DeWitt
Major, USAF
Air Installations Officer

Comptroller S-4

Where are the turn-in and issue slips being delayed? If Base Supply, I'll try to speed up action.

/s/ Guthrie

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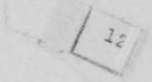

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Chief of Staff

Report of Supervisory Staff Visit, Turner AFB
Adjutant
27 Nov 1953

1. Visiting Party: Lt Col F. A. Brandt, Adjutant
T/Sgt Eldon Serum , Publications & Reproduction
T/Sgt Seldon V. Farmer, Forms Manager

2. Installation Visited: Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

3. Date of Visit: 17 November 1953

4. The visit was primarily for familiarizing myself with the facilities and procedures of the Base Adjutant. T/Sgt Serum was primarily concerned with publications and reproduction, and T/Sgt Farmer reviewed the Base Forms Management Program.

5. Personnel Contacted: Major Edward L. Fortin, Adjutant
1st Lt Joseph Zuro, Assistant Adjutant
M/Sgt Strickland, NCOIC, Base Publications
S/Sgt Clark, NCOIC, Forms Management and Reproduction

6. Findings and action taken or recommended:

a. The Adjutant's functions at Turner AFB are being handled in a very effective and efficient manner. The officers, key NCOs and civilians appear to be well qualified and interested in their work and their organization. There is more "spirit" in the Adjutant's Office at Turner than at most bases, and the personnel all seemed to accomplish their work rapidly, confidently, and with pride.

b. Records Administration: The Base Records Section has just moved to a new location and now has very adequate space for efficient operation.

c. Historical Program: The preparation of the Base History was discussed briefly with the Adjutant. It was recommended that his Historical Technician visit this headquarters soon for instruction in the preparation of histories since he had not yet received such beneficial instruction. He was sent TDY to this headquarters during the period 19-21 November.

d. Postal: Three airmen work full time handling mail. This includes picking up and delivery to the post office in Albany, sorting for delivery to squadrons, and handling all registered and insured mail. A civilian employed by the post office department handles all monetary transactions only. The arrangement existing at Turner does not conform to the provisions of AF Bulletin #37, 6 October 1950. No Air Force personnel should be engaged in such work at a normal ZI base. The Albany Postmaster will not perform all postal functions in accordance with AF Bulletin #37 because he has not budgeted for same. It was recommended that such information be included in correspondence to this headquarters and action would be taken to obtain assistance of SAC and USAF.

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e. Progress in the Forms Management Program at Turner has been slower than at most 2AF bases. Adequate numerical and functional files, a mandatory requirement that each form be fully justified on DD Form 67, and use of DD Form 85 to analyse overlapping forms or near-copy forms will improve the program. Turner AFB does not have a varityper, an important piece of equipment to the forms program, but action is being taken to obtain one. Forms Management personnel were very receptive to the suggestions made by T/Sgt Farmer during our visit.

/s/&t/ FORREST A. BRANDT, Lt Col. USAF
Adjutant

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1st Lt., USAF

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STRENGTH REPORT AS OF 7 NOVEMBER 1953 FOR 40TH AIR DIVISION

UNIT	AUTH	ASGD	ATCH	PFD	PMFD	LV	DDY	AUTH	ASGD	ATCH	PFD	PMFD	AWOL	SK	LV	DDY	CONF
Hq 40th ADiv	10	15	1	11		4	1	7	7		7						
Hq 508th Strat Ftr Wg	30	32	1	29	1		3	83	80	6	80	1		1	1	3	
466th Strat Ftr Sq	36	37	2	30	1	5	3	56	78	9	83		1		2	1	
467th Strat Ftr Sq	36	34	2	32		3	1	56	71	12	72	3		2	5	1	
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508th A&E Maint Sq	8	5	1	6				181	164	27	161			2	6	20	2
508th Fld Maint Sq	5	4		4				145	169	41	181	1		1	18	9	
508th Prd Maint Sq	3	3		3				62	74	15	83	2			1	3	
508th Medical Gp	17	15		11	1	1	2	73	71		67	1			3		
55lst Avn Sq	15	11		11				33	32		28				1	3	
TOTAL 508TH SFW	186	175	6	157	3	11	10	745	812	115	827	8	1	6	39	44	2
Hq 31st Strat Ftr Wg	30	28	2	27			3	83	72	5	68					9	
307th Strat Ftr Sq	36	30		26			4	56	65	2	57					10	
308th Strat Ftr Sq	36	28		27			1	56	63		61	1				1	
309th Strat Ftr Sq	36	28	1	28			1	56	57	2	54					5	
31st A&E Maint Sq	8	6		4			2	181	158		124					34	
31st Fld Maint Sq	5	3		3				145	148		107					41	
31st Prd Maint Sq	3	2		2				62	81		65					16	
31st Medical Gp	35	28		24		1	3	104	110	2	95	2	1		1	13	
TOTAL 31st SFW	189	153	3	141		1	14	743	754	11	631	3	1		1	129	
Hq 811th AB Gp	45	37	1	34		2	2	203	266	1	230	4	2	1	24	6	
811th Supply Sq	13	8		6			2	283	306		236	4	1		14	50	1
811th Mtr Veh Sq	5	3		3				188	183		167	3		1	6	5	1
811th Air Police Sq	11	7		5		2		346	278	8	267	2		1	11	4	1
811th Instl Sq	6	3		3				204	232		209	6	1	1	7	7	1
811th Food Svc Sq	5	2		2				202	254		161	7		1	6	78	1
811th Opns Sq	20	14	1	12		1	2	259	278	2	238	2			24	16	
TOTAL 811th AB Gp	105	74	2	65		5	6	1685	1797	11	1508	28	4	5	98	166	5
BASE TOTAL	490	417	12	374	3	21	31	3180	3370	137	2973	39	6	11	132	339	7
3944th RBS Sq	11	8		7			1	62	40		38					2	
26-3 Weather Det	7	4		4				15	14		14						
1926-2 AACS Det	7	1		1				61	58		54				4		
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TOTAL DETACHMENTS	27	15		14			1	138	112		106				4	2	

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BASE PERSONNEL SECTION
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

BP 314.7 4 December 53

SUBJECT: Historical Report - Base Pers for the Month of Nov 1953.

TO: Base Historian
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

The responsibility of the base personnel office in the support of the Mobility Operation of the 31st Strategic Fighter Wing was primarily the procurement of adequate and qualified support personnel as well as the timely and complete processing for deployment of those personnel of the 811th Air Base Group and also for the 31st Strategic Fighter Wing.

Probably the main difficulty encountered was the acute shortage of Officer Personnel assigned the 811th Air Base Group. This shortage made it necessary to select key non-commissioned Officers to fill the vacancies in the rosters. This was accomplished by a careful screening of NCOs' past experience, performance, and over-all military bearing. Non-commissioned officers selected were of a caliber comparable to that desirable in Officer personnel.

The second problem encountered was brought about by the second phase of the current austerity, or early release program. This program necessitated the constant revision of the mobility rosters, thereby presenting several problems in the complete personnel manning of the mobility requirements. The shortages were felt most acutely in the Motor Vehicle, Supply, and Air Police Squadron. Because of these shortages it was

necessary, through coordiantion with the 31st Strategic Fighter Wing's Director of Material, to determine the position on the Mobility Plan that they could best afford to lose personnel, and to cut accordingly.

When the Mobility Plan required personnel, the Base Personnel Office checked the manning document to determine the squadron from which the requested airman could best be withdrawn to preclude any decrease in operational effectiveness. When this determination was made squadron was notified by telephone to alert airman to commence processing.

This office initiated all orders for Air Base Group Personnel on the mobility movement to preclude erroneous orders, which would demand numerous revisions or amendments.

This headquarters has received authority from Headquarters Strategic Air Command (see inclosure number 9) to implement third phase of current early release program. The criteria for release under this phase is identical to that of the previous phase (Reference September History) except for Fiscal Year of separation. Category one (1) airmen are those airmen surplus in certain specified career fields. They must be volunteers with two (2) years continuous active military service, and have a normal date of separation in Fiscal Year 54 ~~53~~. Category two (2) airmen are airmen basics with two (2) years service and Airmen third class with three (3) years service as of 15 September 53. They must also be volunteers, but date of separation is not regarded in this category. Category three (3) airmen are those airmen possessing less than a four (4) on tech speciality, or less than a four (4)

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on either mechnical or clerical aptitudes. Must be volunteer with a normal date of separation in fiscal year 54. This category of airmen is separated without regard to grade or AFSC. Part three and part four of the early release program will continue through 31 Dec 53. Reports will be furnished by units of this command not later than 10 Dec 53 regarding airmen to be separated through 31 Dec 53. It is anticipated that no more than forty (40) airmen will be effected by this implementation and the continuation of the early release.

Officers Effectiveness Reports were changed to some extent by a republication of Air Force Regulation 36-10 dated 18 August 1953. The differences between the obsolete and new regulation is attached hereto as inclosure number 2. A new form was reproduced in accordance with this new directive (AF Form 77, dated 15 November 1953, attached as inclosure number 3). This new regulation does away with abbreviated reports and training reports for periods less than sixty (60) days therefore reducing the work time element and material utilized. The change over from the past procedures to the new procedures was effectively accomplished on 20 November 1953 and normal progress has been made.

Base Processing Center under the supervision of the Base Personnel Office processed a total of six-hundred and fifty-eight (658) personnel for the month of November. This figure was unusually high due to the assignment of the ~~10~~100th Air Refueling Squadron, redesignated to the 508th Air Refueling Squadron, this station. The 508th Air Refueling Squadron accounted for approximately four-hundred (400) officers and airmen newly assigned this station.

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Base Pers Off, TAFB, Ga. BP 314.7 Subject: Historical Report - Base Pers for the Month of November 1953

One (1) officer transferred PCS from Turner Air Force Base, one (1) Officer TDY, and eight (8) Officers were released from active duty. A total of forty-eight (48) airmen were reassigned PCS, eight (8) TDY, and fifty-four (54) airmen released from active duty. This made a total of one-hundred and twenty (120) outgoing personnel for the month of November.

Turner Air Force Base received three (3) basic airmen, ninety-nine (99) officers, four-hundred and twenty-seven (427) airmen, and nine (9) reenlisted, during the month of November making a total of five-hundred and thirty-eight (538) incoming personnel for the month.

The On-the-Job Training book has been completed and is now maintained on a day-to-day basis as recommended by the Second Air Force Inspection Team. This book is a loose leaf binder with a page for each AFSC on the base. On the date a man is placed on OJT his name is entered in this book under the appropriate AFSC. This enable Classification to keep a record of the number of personnel in an OJT status and in what AFSC they are training to obtain. This book's primary purpose is to enable Base Classification to determine the date of completion of OJT for the purpose of up-grading qualified personnel.

The following information, although not considered unusual, but is of interest to base history. During the month of November 1953, one hundred and fifteen (115) Airmen Proficiency Tests (APT) were administered in the 27, 29, 46, 47, 60, 73 and 96 career fields. Tests scores for 43, 64 and 70 career fields were received from 2200th Test Scoring Squadron during the month of November, results were published on PAM. Forty-seven (47) Airman Qualifying Examinations (AQE) were administered.

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A total of eleven (11) Air Force Job Knowledge Tests (AFJKT) were administered, five (5) airmen qualifying and six (6) airmen obtaining an unqualifying score.

The following is a break-down of the strength figures for the 311th Air Base Group only for the month of November 1953:

	AUTHORIZED	ASSIGNED
As of 1 November 53		
Officers	115	88
Airmen	1692	1823
As of 30 November 53		
Officers	105	77
Airmen	1704	1802

During the month of November one (1) airman departed this base TDY to Maintenance Training on O-10 Crash Fire Truck at F. E. Warren AFB, Wyo, one (1) left for Radio Repair at Keesler AFB, Miss., two (2) departed to Camera Repair School at Lowry AFB, Colorado, one (1) to Air Operations Specialist School at Keesler AFB, two (2) to Acft Mech Med Bomb at Sheppard AFB, Texas, seven (7) to Installer Cableman School at F. W. Warren, one (1) to Sheppard for OJT Supv Crse, one (1) to Office Machine Repair at F. E. Warren, one (1) to Disbursing Supv at Lowry AFB, one (1) to PIO at Fort Slocum, N. Y., and one (1) to Invormation and Education School at Fort Slocum, N. Y.

Returning from schools during the month for which this period covers were one (1) airman from Radio Maint Tech at Scott AFB, Ill., one (1) from Metals Tech at Chanute AFB, Ill., four (4) from Special Vehicle Maintenance at F. E. Warren.

Information received from the Recruiting Section of Base Personnel indicates there were four (4) reenlists during the month of November.

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These reenlistment, as broken down by the squadron, are as follows:

One (1) from Hq 811th Air Base Group

One from 811th Operations Squadron

One from Hq, 508th SFW

One from 508th AGE Maint Squadron

The following is a breakdown of key base personnel as of 1 November 53:

COLONEL JOHN J. EASTON	COMMANDING OFFICER
LT COL LEAFORD BEARSKIN	DEPUTY CO
MAJ EDMOND L FORTIN	BASE ADJUTANT
CAPT JOHN E. SCHOELL	BASE PERSONNEL OFFICER
LT COL FRED L HOUCK	BASE MANPOWER OFFICER
LT COL ARMON C GUTHRIE	BASE MATERIEL OFFICER
1ST LT LOUIS V diDONATO	BASE LEGAL OFFICER
MAJ(CHAP) LUTHER W MC ARTHUR	BASE CHAPLAIN
MAJ WILLIAM F. KANLEY	BASE O&T STAFF OFFICER
1ST LT SCHUYLER P. BERRY	BASE COMPTROLLER (Acting)
MAJ WILLIAM F. KANLEY	CO 811TH OPERATIONSSQUADRON
MAJ ROBERT I DEWITT	CO 811TH INSTALLATIONS SQUADRON
MAJ BRUCE B. WILSON	CO 811TH SUPPLY SQUADRON
MAJ CARL H. MEISWENDER	CO 811TH MOTOR VEHICLE SQUADRON
2D LT LEE R. MC NAIR	CO 811TH FOOD SERVICE SQUADRON
CAPT J. W. HENDERSON	CO 811TH AIR POLICE SQUADRON
MAJ VERNIE G. BLACK	CO HQ SQUADRON SECTION

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The following is a breakdown of key base personnel as of 30 November 53:

COLONEL JOHN J. EASTON	COMMANDING OFFICER
LT COL LEAFORD BEARSKIN	DEPUTY CO
MAJ EDMUND L FORTIN	BASE ADJUTANT
CAPT JOHN E. SCHNELL	BASE PERSONNEL OFFICER
LT COL FRED L HOUCK	BASE MANPOWER OFFICER
LT COL ARNON C GUTHERIE	BASE MATERIEL OFFICER
1ST LT LOUIS V diDONATO	BASE LEGAL OFFICER
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Inclosure Number 1 Comparison of AFR 36-10

Inclosure Number 2 AF Fm 77 dtd 1 Dec 51

Inclosure Number 3 AF Fm 77 dtd 15 Nov 53

Inclosure Number 4 History - CIVILIAN PERSONNEL

Inclosure Number 5 History - GROUND SAFETY

Inclosure Number 6 History - PERSONAL AFFAIRS *

Inclosure Number 7 History - RECRUITING

Inclosure Number 8 History - PERSONNEL SERVICES

Inclosure Number 9 Implementation of Early Release

for Donald D. Greer
JOHN E. SCHNEIL
Captain, USAF
Base Pers Officer

* Incl No 6 will be submitted late - combined with Base History

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JESBA/COMDRAIRDIV 4 BARKSDALE AFB LA
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JESDL/COMDRAIRDIV 6 MACDILL AFB FLA
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JESKH/COMDRAIRDIV 806 LAKE CHARLES AFB LA
TU/COMDRAIRDIV 40 TURNER AFB GA
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TO MEET THE QUOTA SET FOR FY 55 ETS CMA PRIORITY FOR EARLY RELS W/B GIVEN THOSE AMN W/NORMAL ETS DUGING FY 55. OTHER ADMIN AND REPT INSTRS CONTAINED IN ABOVE CITED MSGS APPLY EQUALLY TO THIS PHASE OF EARLY RELS. THIS MSG FURND ALL SAC ZI STAS.
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USAF OFFICER EFFECTIVENESS REPORT

DATE

I. PERSONAL HISTORY DATA

LAST NAME - FIRST NAME - MIDDLE INITIAL	GRADE	PERMANENT GRADE	SERVICE NUMBER	TYPE OF REPORT	PRIMARY AFSC

ORGANIZATION	PERIOD OF REPORT FROM	PERIOD OF REPORT TO	NO. DAYS UNDER REPORTING OFFICER SUPERVISION	REASON FOR REPORT

II. DUTY ASSIGNMENT *(Give the title and AFSC of duty assignments during period concerned and describe specific duties. Include any additional duties.)*

III. OFFICER PERFORMANCE FACTORS

INSTRUCTIONS

Listed below are those factors generally vital to success as an officer. The purpose of obtaining a rating on each factor is to provide specific information necessary to the development of the officer reported on ... to provide you with a measure of officer quality that will aid in arriving at a valid overall rating. Place a single (x) in whatever box best indicates your evaluation. The written performance descriptions are to serve as a guide in your evaluation. Guard against the tendency of forming a general impression and marking the same degree for all factors. This "halo effect" may be prevented by considering and judging each element separately and independently of the others. Do not allow your evaluation of one factor to influence you on another. The end result should be a profile of the officer's relative abilities in terms of the separate factors. Check the unknown box whenever you have insufficient knowledge on which to base an evaluation.

1. JOB KNOWLEDGE *(Consider the requirements of his job and compare them to his knowledge. Does he have specialized knowledge?)*

UNKNOWN	SERIOUS GAPS IN HIS KNOWLEDGE OF FUNDAMENTALS OF HIS JOB.	HAS A SATISFACTORY KNOWLEDGE OF ROUTINE PHASES OF HIS JOB.	IS WELL INFORMED ON ALL PHASES OF HIS JOB.	HAS EXCELLENT KNOWLEDGE OF ALL PHASES OF HIS JOB.	HAS EXCEPTIONAL UNDERSTANDING OF HIS JOB. EXTREMELY WELL INFORMED.
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2. COOPERATION *(Consider ability and willingness to work in harmony for and with others.)*

UNKNOWN	INCLINED TO CREATE FRICTION. DOES NOT GET ALONG WELL.	SOMETIMES INDIFFERENT TO OTHERS. COOPERATES TO A FAIR DEGREE.	GETS ALONG WELL WITH MOST PEOPLE.	WORKS IN HARMONY WITH OTHERS. A VERY GOOD TEAM WORKER.	EXTREMELY SUCCESSFUL IN WORKING WITH OTHERS. ACTIVELY PROMOTES HARMONY.
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3. JUDGMENT *(Consider his ability to grasp a situation, think clearly, and develop correct and logical conclusions.)*

UNKNOWN	HIS DECISIONS OR RECOMMENDATIONS ARE WRONG MORE THAN RIGHT.	IS PRONE TO NEGLECT OR MISINTERPRET FACTS. COMMITS OCCASIONAL ERRORS IN JUDGMENT.	JUDGMENT IS USUALLY SOUND AND REASONABLE.	HIS JUDGMENT RESULTS FROM SOUND EVALUATION OF ALL THE FACTORS INVOLVED.	OUTSTANDINGLY SOUND AND LOGICAL THINKER WITH AN EXCEPTIONAL GRASP OF THE SITUATION INVOLVED.
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4. RELIABILITY AND PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY *(Consider his sense of responsibility and reliability in the execution of assigned tasks.)*

UNKNOWN	NOT WHOLLY DEPENDABLE. DOESN'T TAKE HIS DUTIES SERIOUSLY. REQUIRES CLOSE SUPERVISION.	A DEPENDABLE OFFICER WHO PERFORMS ROUTINE DUTIES WELL. NEEDS AN AVERAGE AMOUNT OF SUPERVISION.	COMPLETES ALL ASSIGNED TASKS PROMPTLY AND IN AN ACCEPTABLE MANNER. SOME SUPERVISION NEEDED.	GOES OUT OF HIS WAY TO TURN IN EXCELLENT WORK. THOROUGHLY RELIABLE. ONLY OCCASIONAL SUPERVISION.	HAS AN EXTREMELY HIGH SENSE OF DUTY. JUSTIFIES COMPLETE CONFIDENCE. RARELY REQUIRES SUPERVISION.
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5. LEADERSHIP *(Consider his ability in organizing and obtaining the cooperation of others and in directing their efforts effectively.)*

UNKNOWN	FAILS TO COMMAND. UNABLE TO EXERT CONTROL.	MANAGES IN SOME INSTANCES TO OBTAIN EFFECTIVE COOPERATION.	CAPABLE LEADER. DEVELOPS ADEQUATE COOPERATION AND TEAM WORK UNDER NORMAL CIRCUMSTANCES.	A CONSISTENTLY GOOD LEADER. COMMANDS RESPECT OF HIS SUBORDINATES. IS EFFECTIVE UNDER DIFFICULT CIRCUMSTANCES.	OUTSTANDING SKILL IN DIRECTING OTHERS RESULTS IN A VERY EFFECTIVE UNIT. INSPIRES CONFIDENCE EVEN UNDER VERY DIFFICULT CIRCUMSTANCES.
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6. GROWTH POTENTIAL *(Consider his capacity to handle jobs of increased scope and greater responsibility; ability to learn rapidly, personality, self-improvement efforts, special abilities, training and record of past accomplishment.)*

UNKNOWN	DEFINITELY LIMITED.	PRESENT JOB IS TAXING HIS CAPABILITIES. REQUIRES FURTHER TRAINING.	DEMONSTRATES PROMISE FOR FURTHER GROWTH AT MODERATE RATE.	VERY PROMISING PROMOTIONAL MATERIAL.	CAPABLE OF INCREASED RESPONSIBILITY AND EXCEPTIONALLY RAPID ADVANCEMENT.
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AF FORM 77 1 DEC 51 REPLACES AF FORM 77, 77A, AND 77B WHICH ARE OBSOLETE.

LAST NAME - FIRST NAME - MIDDLE INITIAL	GRADE	SERVICE NUMBER

IV. OVERALL EVALUATION

INSTRUCTIONS: Compare this officer with all officers of the same grade. Remember that extremes of ability are rare. Be objective and impersonal. Think of the officer's performance over the entire rating period. Place an (x) in the appropriate box. Be certain to read instructions in *Section V* before accomplishing your evaluation.

UNSATISFACTORY	AN ACCEPTABLE OFFICER	A DEPENDABLE AND TYPICALLY EFFECTIVE OFFICER	A VERY FINE OFFICER OF GREAT VALUE TO THE SERVICE	ONE OF THE VERY FEW OUTSTANDING OFFICERS I KNOW

V. COMMENTS OF REPORTING OFFICER

(Include any strengths or weaknesses not covered elsewhere in this report. Whenever the officer is rated unsatisfactory or outstanding one or more actual incidents illustrating typical performances which justify the rating must be included. Specific comment will be made on promotion fitness when it is believed the officer reported on is outstandingly well qualified for promotion and should be promoted in advance of his contemporaries. Include herein suggested assignments or type of duty for which the officer is especially qualified. A definite statement will be made as to the degree to which this officer exercises judgment in economical management of personnel and resources under his supervision, commensurate with his responsibilities.)

VI. DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY

NAME OF PERSON DELEGATED TO PREPARE REPORT	REASON(S)

TYPED NAME, GRADE, AND SERVICE NUMBER OF COMMANDING OFFICER	SIGNATURE OF COMMANDING OFFICER

VII. CERTIFICATE OF REPORTING OFFICER

[illegible]S OF OFFICER REPORTED ON WITH RESPECT TO REPORTING OFFICER

I CERTIFY THAT ALL ENTRIES HEREON ARE TRUE AND IMPARTIAL TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF. *(Referral by the reporting officer is mandatory only when there is a rating in the first three boxes for any factor in Section III or an unsatisfactory in Section IV. When mandatory referral is made the officer reported on will attach a written statement of his reaction to the report.)*

TYPED NAME, GRADE, AND SERVICE NUMBER OF REPORTING OFFICER	SIGNATURE OF REPORTING OFFICER

VIII. REVIEW OF INDORSING OFFICER

INSTRUCTIONS: In accomplishing your review of the completed report, be sure to compare the overall evaluation to the written comments. It is absolutely necessary that Unsatisfactory or Outstanding ratings be justified by actual incidents and not broad generalities.

☐ I AGREE ☐ I DO NOT AGREE WITH THE REPORTING OFFICER'S EVALUATION, AND HAVE INDICATED BY INITIALING THE APPROPRIATE BOX OR BOXES AND/OR PRESENT THE FOLLOWING COMMENTS.

DATE	TYPED NAME, GRADE, AND SN OF INDORSING OFFICER	SIGNATURE OF INDORSING OFFICER

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I. IDENTIFICATION DATA

LAST NAME—FIRST NAME—MIDDLE INITIAL	GRADE	PERM AF GRADE	AFSN	PAFSC

DATE OF REPORT	PERIOD: FROM	TO

ORGANIZATION (*Including major command*)	NO. OF DAYS UNDER REPT OFF SUPV	REASON FOR REPORT

II. DUTY ASSIGNMENT (*Give the position title and AFSC of duty assignment during period concerned and describe specific duties. Include any additional duties.*)

III. OFFICER PERFORMANCE FACTORS

Rate each factor below by selecting phrase most closely describing officer's actual performance on the job.

Place single "X" in whatever box best indicates your evaluation.

Check unknown box whenever you have insufficient knowledge on which to base evaluation.

Avoid "halo effect." Do not allow your evaluation of one factor to influence you on another.

The end result should be a profile of the officer's relative abilities in terms of the separate factors.

1. JOB KNOWLEDGE (*Consider the requirements of his job and compare them to his knowledge. Does he have specialized knowledge?*)

UNKNOWN ☐	SERIOUS GAPS IN HIS KNOWLEDGE OF FUNDAMENTALS OF HIS JOB.	HAS A SATISFACTORY KNOWLEDGE OF ROUTINE PHASES OF HIS JOB.	IS WELL INFORMED ON ALL PHASES OF HIS JOB.	HAS EXCELLENT KNOWLEDGE OF ALL PHASES OF HIS JOB.	HAS EXCEPTIONAL UNDERSTANDING OF HIS JOB. EXTREMELY WELL INFORMED.

2. COOPERATION (*Consider ability and willingness to work in harmony for and with others.*)

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3. JUDGMENT (*Consider his ability to grasp a situation, think clearly, and develop correct and logical conclusions.*)

UNKNOWN ☐	HIS DECISIONS OR RECOMMENDATIONS ARE WRONG MORE THAN RIGHT.	IS PRONE TO NEGLECT OR MISINTERPRET FACTS. COMMITS OCCASIONAL ERRORS IN JUDGMENT.	JUDGMENT IS USUALLY SOUND AND REASONABLE.	HIS JUDGMENT RESULTS FROM SOUND EVALUATION OF ALL THE FACTORS INVOLVED.	OUTSTANDINGLY SOUND AND LOGICAL THINKER WITH AN EXCEPTIONAL GRASP OF THE SITUATION INVOLVED.

4. MANAGEMENT OF PERSONNEL AND MATERIEL RESOURCES (*Consider his ability to economically utilize personnel and materiel under his control.*)

UNKNOWN ☐	DISPLAYS NO INTEREST IN CONSERVATION OF MATERIEL OR ECONOMICAL USE OF MANPOWER.	REQUIRES CONSTANT REMINDING OF THE NEED FOR ECONOMY.	KEEPS FREQUENT CHECK ON EFFICIENCY OF HIS OPERATIONS.	GIVES ECONOMY OF OPERATION CAREFUL AND CONSTANT ATTENTION.	EXCEPTIONALLY SUCCESSFUL IN EXERCISING ECONOMY.

5. LEADERSHIP (*Consider his ability in organizing and obtaining the cooperation of others and in directing their efforts effectively.*)

UNKNOWN ☐	FAILS TO COMMAND. UNABLE TO EXERT CONTROL.	MANAGES IN SOME INSTANCES TO OBTAIN EFFECTIVE COOPERATION.	CAPABLE LEADER. DEVELOPS ADEQUATE COOPERATION AND TEAMWORK UNDER NORMAL CIRCUMSTANCES.	A CONSISTENTLY GOOD LEADER. COMMANDS RESPECT OF HIS SUBORDINATES. IS EFFECTIVE UNDER DIFFICULT CIRCUMSTANCES.	OUTSTANDING SKILL IN DIRECTING OTHERS RESULTS IN A VERY EFFECTIVE UNIT. INSPIRES CONFIDENCE EVEN UNDER VERY DIFFICULT CIRCUMSTANCES.

6. GROWTH POTENTIAL (*Consider his capacity to handle jobs of increased scope and greater responsibility; ability to learn rapidly, personality, self-improvement efforts, special abilities, training and record of past accomplishment.*)

UNKNOWN ☐	DEFINITELY LIMITED.	PRESENT JOB IS TAXING HIS CAPABILITIES. REQUIRES FURTHER TRAINING.	DEMONSTRATES PROMISE FOR FURTHER GROWTH AT MODERATE RATE.	VERY PROMISING PROMOTIONAL MATERIAL.	CAPABLE OF INCREASED RESPONSIBILITY AND EXCEPTIONALLY RAPID ADVANCEMENT.

IV. COMMENTS OF REPORTING OFFICER (*Add any comments which will increase the objectivity of the rating. Include strengths or weaknesses not covered elsewhere in this report. Be factual and specific. Include herein suggested assignments or type of duty for which the officer is especially qualified. Whenever the officer is rated unsatisfactory or outstanding in Section V below, one or more actual incidents illustrating typical performances which justify the rating must be included. Specific comment will be made on promotion fitness when it is believed the officer reported on is particularly well qualified for promotion and should be promoted in advance of his contemporaries.*)

V. OVERALL EVALUATION

Compare this officer with other officers of the same grade. Remember that extremes of ability are rare. Be objective and impersonal. Think of the officer's performance over the entire rating period. Place an (*X*) in the appropriate box.

UNSATISFACTORY	AN ACCEPTABLE OFFICER	A DEPENDABLE AND TYPICALLY EFFECTIVE OFFICER.	A VERY FINE OFFICER OF GREAT VALUE TO THE SERVICE.	ONE OF THE VERY FEW OUTSTANDING OFFICERS I KNOW.

VI. CERTIFICATE OF REPORTING OFFICER

I CERTIFY THAT ALL ENTRIES HEREON ARE TRUE AND IMPARTIAL TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF. (*Referral by the reporting officer is mandatory when there is a rating in one of the three small boxes on the left for any factor in Section III or an unsatisfactory rating in Section V.*)

TYPED NAME, GRADE, AFSN, AND ORGANIZATION	DUTY TITLE	SIGNATURE
STATUS WITH RESPECT TO OFFICER REPORTED ON		PARENT SERVICE OR CIVILIAN

VII. REVIEW OF INDORSING OFFICER

Compare the overall evaluation to the written comments. Unsatisfactory or Outstanding ratings *must* be justified by actual incidents and not broad generalities. Add any comment which will increase the objectivity of the rating.

☐ I AGREE ☐ I DO NOT AGREE WITH THE REPORTING OFFICER'S EVALUATION, AND HAVE INDICATED BY INITIALING THE APPROPRIATE BOX OR BOXES AND/OR PRESENT THE FOLLOWING COMMENTS

TYPED NAME, GRADE, AFSN, AND ORGANIZATION	DUTY TITLE	SIGNATURE	DATE IND
		PARENT SERVICE OR CIVILIAN	

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Comparison of the new AFR 36-10, 18 Aug 53 with AFR 36-10 as amended, dated 8 Jan 52

OLD 36-10	NEW 36-10
Civilians and officers of other services will not prepare nor indorse AF Form 77	Civilians and officers of other services are authorized to prepare and indorse AF Fm 77
When the rating officer is killed, missing etc, the officer who would normally indorse the ER puts, "number of days under the Rpt Off supervision" same as if the proper rating off was preparing the report.	Enter "None" under the reporting officer's supervision and in parenthesis enter the No. of days under the proper reporting off supvr.
You have AER's CER's LTR Rpts and TNG Rpts	You have only CER's and Tng Rpts providing period of days under the Rpt off Supvr is 60 days for CER's and course duration is 60 days.
When reports are required:	
Last day of Feb for Reg AF Off in the Pg gr of Col & off of the Res Comp sv in gr of Col.	Last day of Feb for off sv in gr of Maj
30 Apr for Reg AF Off in Pg gr of Maj regardless of temp gr & off of the res comp on EAD in gr of Maj.	30 Apr for off sv in gr of Capt
30 Jun for reg AF Off in Pg gr of Capt regardless of temp gr & off of the res comp on EAD in gr of Capt.	30 Jun for off sv in gr of 1st Lt
31 Aug for reg AF Off in Pg gr of 2d Lt regardless of T gr & off of the res comp on EAD in gr of 2d Lt & WO's.	31 Aug for off sv in gr of 2d Lt & WO's
31 Oct for reg AF 1st Lt regardless of temp gr & off of res comp sv on EAD as 1st Lt.	31 Oct for all off sv in gr of Col
31 DC for reg AF Lt Col regardless of temp gr & off of Res Comp sv EAD in gr of Lt Col.	31 Dec for off sv in gr of Lt Col
Referral of report. Rpt off causes a referral report, the rpt off will fwd all copies of ER w/bsc ltr to the rated off for ind to the proper ind off.	Rpt off causes a referral rpt he will fwd only original of AF Fm 77 and 3 cy of Ltr of referral to the rated off for ind to the proper ind off. Rpt off will fwd duplicate and triplicate of AF Fm 77 to the ind off w/a cy of ltr of referral.
When referral is caused by the ind off a cy of ltr w/b fwd to the next superior off.(Normally the off rating the ind off)	The ind off if he causes it to be a referral, will fwd orig cy of AF Fm 77 w/the ltr of referral to the rated off & the duplicate and trip w/a cy of the ltr to the custodian of the off's records.
Probationary reg off. At the bottom margin of the Fm, if an off is on his initial 3 yr apmt, the following remark will be typed or stamped at bottom of rpt: PROBATIONARY OFF. (Also applies to Reg WO's.)	Not required on new form.

OLD	NEW
Dy title, AFSC and asgmt & any addl dy - if dy is classified - enter "classified duties"	PRIOR DUTIES will be entered during pd of rpt to incl dy title, no. of days such dy was performed and B of asgmt. CURRENT TITLE: Orgn level & AFSC w/b recorded and the specific duties & dy asgmt during pd of observation will be described. ADDL DUTIES: Any addl dy of significance importance to record will be incl. If the dy is performed under the supvr of another person other than the rating officer, a ltr of evaluation will be obtained fr the supvr & attached to the report.
ONE OF THE VERY FEW OUTSTANDING OFFICERS I KNOW SUBDIVIDED	One of the very few outstanding officers I know is not subdiveded.
The parent service of the rpt and ind off is not req.	The parent service of the rpt & ind off is req under his signature, ie, RCAF, USN, USAF - Civ
Any strikeovers and/or erasures will be initialed.	Strikeovers & erasures caused by the reporting off and or ind off will be initialed and encircled ie. NOTE: When Sec III & V are lowered or raised by ind off encirclement by ind off is not to be accomplished - only initials.
Reasons for report: annual report. PCA off reasgd to_____ Change of Repdt off Asgd new prin dy TDY of Off Outstanding performance of dy Unsatisfactory performance of dy Short tour of AD 120 days of AMS compl 120 days no rpt render 1 yr Dir by Hq USAF Dir by Maj Air Comdr Off-(Missing,MIA,captured, interned, etc)	Change of Rpt Off Change in principal dy asgmt Annual Report Off - missing, MIA captured, interened, etc. Initial report No report rendered 1 yr. Dir by (Wg, B, MAJCOMD and etc) Unsatisfactory performance of dy Outstanding performance of dy. Dir by Hq USAF
Any school which an off entered & req an entry in item 28 of Fm 66 w/b req to have a tng rpt.	Tng Rpts subm only when the pd of observation is 60 days or more.

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HEADQUARTERS 811TH AIR BASE GROUP
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

Hurlburt

BASE GS 729.3 1 December 1953

SUBJECT: Ground Accident Report for November 1953

TO: See Distribution

1. There were three reportable injuries during November, 1953, chargeable to personnel of this base. One of the injuries was due to private motor vehicle operation; it was very serious. Two civilians in another vehicle were killed in the accident and the military operator will suffer at least 180 days lost time. Lost time for all injuries totalled 201 days. The military injury rate for the month is 2.56 (per 100,000 man days worked) against 3.27 for October and a cumulative rate to 1 December of 4.43. The trend continues downward. By cooperation of personnel, this downward trend may be continued through December.

2. The percentage of injuries should be below the percentage of assigned strength.

% of Military Injuries	Unit	% of Assigned Strength
0.00	31st Strat Ftr Wg	23.13
66.67	508th Strat Ftr Wg	28.17
33.33	811th AB Gp	48.70

Cumulative, 1953:

% of Military Injuries	Unit	% of Assigned Strength
19.35	31st Strat Ftr Wg	24.83
24.19	508th Strat Ftr Wg	21.84
56.46	811th AB Gp	53.33

3. Types of injuries were as follows:

	Mtr Veh	A/C Maint	Barracks & Home	Total
31st Strat Ftr Wg	0	0	0	0
508th Strat Ftr Wg	0	1	1	2
811th Air Base Gp	1	0	0	1
Totals	1	1	1	3

4. There were no reportable civilian injuries.

5. Non-disabling injuries totalled:

	On Duty	Off Duty	Total
31st Strat Ftr Wg	0	2	2
508th Strat Ftr Wg	8	2	10
811th Air Base Gp	10	9	19
3944th RBS	3	0	3
Civilian	3	0	3
Totals	24	13	37

6. There were no reportable government vehicle accidents. Two non-reportable (less than $25 damage) government vehicle accidents were reported.

7. Accident trends to date:
   1. Motor Vehicle - 22 Injuries
   2. Base Maintenance - 9 Injuries
   3. Barracks & Home - 9 Injuries

8. Course # 5, Supervisor's Safety Management, started 30 November. Completion date is 11 December. Classes are daily, Monday through Friday, at 1030 hours at Training Flight, bldg #2001.

9. Costs per capita for November are:

	Cost of Accidents	Cost per capita
31st Strat Ftr Wg	$14.	$0.01
508th Strat Ftr Wg	$700.	$0.63
811th Air Base Gp	$5,554.	$2.60
TOTAL, TURNER AFB	$6,268.	$1.50

FOR THE COMMANDER:

Joseph E Zuro 17259

JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt USAF
Asst Adjutant

DISTRIBUTION:
Cmdr, 31st Strat Ftr Wg
Cmdr, 508th Strat Ftr Wg
Cmdr, All Asgd & Atchd Units,
811th AB Gp, TAFB, Ga

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GROUND SAFETY BRIEF

Work Safely
Play Safely

Volume [illegible] December 1953
Number 12
Turner Air Force Base, Georgia

GREEN CROSS FOR SAFETY

A MONTHLY NEWS LETTER PUBLISHED BY THE BASE GROUND SAFETY OFFICE

A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

From the Ground Safety Department to all personnel on Turner Air Force Base; to Military and Civilian, to Officers and Airmen, to assigned, attached or tenant personnel go the very best wishes of each and every one of us.

1953 has been a very good year from a Ground Safety viewpoint, so far. Lest we forget, however, there have been three deaths this year and three very, very serious injuries to airmen from this base due to driving private cars. In each of these six serious cases the driver was the person killed or injured. As we are all very well aware, the holidays from Christmas through New Year's day is the most dangerous period of the year in which to drive. Responsibility is lifted; all are anxious to get home, or to see a sweetheart or friend. Driving is fast. Hours of daylight are short. Bad weather usually sets in at this time. Perhaps some liquor enters into the picture. Watch out. Drive safely and courteously. Return safely, ready to tackle the problems of the New Year.

During 1952 there were 29 injuries due to motor vehicle operation, the result of 28 accidents. Four of these occurred in December, 1952. So far this year, 1953, there have been 22 injuries due to 19 accidents due to driving. During December, 1952, there were 4 injured driving cars. So far, through 7 December 1953, when this was written, there have been no driving injuries. With care and cooperation from everyone it is possible that there will be no more driving injuries this year.

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Report for November

Three injuries, rate 2.56 per 100,000 man days worked. No civilian reportable injuries and no reportable government vehicle accidents; these totals make November a very good month for Ground Safety. One of the injuries, due to a private car accident, was very serious. The injured man will be in the hospital or unable to work at least six months. This made the cost figure very high. The general effort being made is very, very commendable, thanks to fine cooperation by all personnel.

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CAUSE AND CURE

He borrowed the car to go to Five Points and return. When next heard of, about three to four hours later he was near Anniston, Ala., over 200 miles away. There his wheels had run off the right of the pavement; in getting back on the pavement he pulled head-on into a car coming from the opposite direction. Two civilians were killed, a third injured. This airman broke his upper thigh bone, right leg. It will be at least six months before he can return to duty. Both cars were demolished. Cure: Sensible driving at reasonable speeds. If the wheels of your car go off the pavement, slow down first; then pull slowly back onto the pavement. Speed can then be resumed.

He was trying to get an oil heater to work; had cleared the lines and cleaned it. He put a twisted piece of newspaper into it to light it. It didn't light. The sleeve of his cotton shirt had been turned back at the cuff. He thrust his right hand into the heater to adjust the burning paper. His sleeve caught fire. By the time he got his shirt off he had suffered first and second degree burns to his whole arm and arm-pit. Cure: Do not handle lighted material near your body. Use tongs, or a poker.

The detail was unloading cans of pickling fluid from a truck. Some of the cans had fluid on them. The injured man's hands were greasy; he had just completed packing a nose wheel. A can slipped from his hands and hit his ankle, breaking it. Cure: Size up the job. If a danger exists, use extra care so as not to get hurt. Wash hands after a greasy job before tackling a new job.

HOLIDAZE

In this season of the year, certain drivers and pedestrians are stumbling around in a holidaze. They fall roughly into three classes.

The Daredevil Dopes - tip you off to hang back and watch out for them by their weaving tactics in traffic, dart-around driving, and speed at curves, turns and intersections.

The Shopper Gawkers - the tip-off usually is a pair of waving hands and wandering eyes, when you see a woman driving along a business street during this season. Watch for this gawking gal and give her a bargain in defensive driving.

The Bottle-Headed Burp - This driver is a hundred-proof hazard any time, but especially during the holiday season he's the double-distilled spirit of traffic danger. He is dangerous whether he has had a big binge or just a short snort. Be on the watch for delirium tremens on wheels--or just stumbling around.

SAFETY SAM SEZ:

In January will be published the facts and figures on 1953 accidents. Until then,

A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from,

Jack Phillips
Lester Fleming
Sam Orgel

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MONTHLY HISTORY

CIVILIAN PERSONNEL OFFICE

NOVEMBER 1953

The mission of the Civilian Personnel Office is to administer personnel policies, programs, procedures, and techniques pertaining to civilian personnel. The major activities of the office in the fulfillment of the mission are: Administration, Classification, Training, Employee Utilization, Pay Roll and Local Board of Civil Service Examiners.

The Civilian Personnel Office accomplished a total of 231 work units for the month. This included interviewing 85 applicants for employment; reviewing the files on 19 employees considered for promotion, reassignment or change to lower grade; 5 training sessions; in addition the administrative section processed 31 personnel actions. Total authorized strength remained at 281 employees. Assigned strength was 277.

The Primary Management Training Course for civilian supervisors was completed during the month. Colonel Leaford Bearskin issued certificates to 13 civilians and one military supervisor completing the course. Colonel Bearskin also gave a short address to the group on the importance of management training as practical use in caring out their every day assignments. Plans are under way to start another management training course for civilian supervisors commencing in the middle of January. It has been agreed that the original plans to condense the course into 20 hours will be discarded. This change in plans was based on critique submitted by employees completing the course.

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A Military Correspondence Course was scheduled for 7 through 11 December. The course will last 5 hours and approximately 20 civilian stenographers and typists have been selected to attend.

Recruitment activities during the month consisted of filling an electrician, typist and two nurse vacancies. Considerable effort is still being made to recruit for the engineering vacancy in Air Installations. At the request of the Air Installation Officer, the postion has been reclassified from a General Engineer to Mechanical Engineer. Difficulty is being encountered in recruitment for two Stationary Boiler Fireman. Applicants on registers have failed to reply to our inquiries.

The U. S. Civil Service Board of Examiners issued a certificate for a total of 29 names to this installation and U. S. Marine Depot. During the month, examinations were held for stenographers and typists; 40 applicants applied for the examination and only 23 were in attendance. Examination papers are in the process of being graded at the present time.

The Base Commander has approved the establishment of a Civilian Advisory Council. The council is being established so that employees through their council members can submit ideas, suggestions and recommendations for the improvement of management. Management in turn is to advise the employees through council members reasons for actions taken and decisions made, etc. Elections were held during the month and the first meeting of the new council has been scheduled for 3 December with the Deputy Base Commander.

Regular classification surveys were conducted in various base organizations scheduled for the month. Pre-survey conferences were held prior to the beginning of the surveys to outline to the operating officials and supervisors

concerned the purpose of the survey, methods to be used, and to discuss individual jobs within the organization. Several individual classification actions were processed during the month which were necessitated by changes in duty assignments.

The annual classification survey is progressing according to the established schedule and the percentage of completion is in accordance with that required to meet the overall annual programs objectives.

A representative of Headquarters Air Materiel Command visited the Base during the month to gather information for the preparation of Position Classification Standards to cover surplus property disposal jobs within the Air Force. The position classifier participated in the study which involved discussion of related local positions, factors deemed to be peculiar to local positions of this type and various factors which should be included in the standards to obtain maximum coverage. The AMC representative also conducted field visits to obtain additional information. Upon completion of field visits, a final discussion was held and appropriate recommendations made. Upon publication of these standards, they will be utilized by classification staffs Air Force wide.

Request was again submitted for the USAF film strip on Position Classification. The strip is used to orient supervisors and employees in the purpose, methods and advantages of position classification and would serve as an excellent educational device. The film strip is to be requisitioned and should be available in the near future.

RECRUITING OFFICE
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

4 December 1953

SUBJECT: Historical Report for the Month of November 1953

TO: Personnel & Administration Office
Headquarters, 811th Air Base Group
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

1. A total of four (4) reenlists were accomplished by Base Recruiting Office during the month of November 1953.

2. The following is a breakdown of enlistments by squadrons:

a. Hq 811th Air Base Group , 1

b. 811th Operations Squadron 1

c. Hq 508th Strat Ftr Wg 1

d. 508th A & E Maint Squadron 1

Total ******4

3. Included in above one (1) enlistment was off Base after 24 hours.

Donald D. Greer
DONALD D. GREER
1st Lt USAF
Recruiting Officer

PERSONNEL SERVICES OFFICE
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

BPPS 7 December 1953

SUBJECT: Personnel Services History - November 1953

TO: Base Personnel Officer
811th Air Base Group
Turner Air Force Base, Georgia

1. Special Services:

a. Application for special grant for construction of bowling alleys has been forwarded, through Second Air Force, to the Strategic Air Command Welfare Fund, in acc rdance with AFR 34-13. Building 2004 has been designated by the Base Commander to be used to house the bowling alleys on this base provided application for the special grant is approved. It is estimated that word of approval or disapproval of subject grant will be received in this office by 15 December 1953.

b. An application for special grant was forwarded, through Second Air Force, to Strategic Air Command Welfare Fund for winterizing and construction of fireplaces in the pavilion in accordanc e with Air Force Regulation 34-13.

2. Library:

The total circulation at the Base Library increased 125 during the month. Daily attendance has also increased. There were 106 books added to the Library during the month.

3. Woodworking Hobby Shop:

The Woodworking Hobby Shop has been moved to its new location and has been set up and will begin operation approximately 1 December 1953. The shop boasts new machines which were purchased through local non-appropriated funds and a complete line of new hand tools.

4. Athletics:

a. Basketball got under way with a bang on 17 November 1953 with teams competing in two intra-mural leagues. The coaches and officials clinics have been held, and meetings are being held each week with coaches and officials of different teams to improve both officiating

and play.

b. The boxing team is working out daily and is now composed of eight people.

5. Education:

a. The on-duty elementary classes ended on 30 November 1953, with ten completions. Correspondence will go to the various squadrons on or about 15 December to obtain the names of the men in the various squadrons who haven't completed the eighth grade or the equivalent. The next on-duty elementary school will begin on or about 11 January 1954.

b. Twenty-eight high school level and eight college level general educational development tests were administered by the office in November.

c. A/1C ROBERT J. DOWNEY attended the Air Force off-duty education conference which was held on 3, 4, and 5 November 1953 at the Biltmore Hotel, Atlanta, Georgia.

d. Educational activity remained constant throughout the month. A decrease is anticipated in December due to the holiday period.

6. Boat Dock:

The duck season has caused a great increase in attendance at the boat dock, and squadron parties and picnics are still being held each week. It is believed that although bad weather will hinder activity at the boat dock and picnic area, it will operate to a great benefit of base personnel throughout the winter season.

7. Sportsmans Club:

The Turner Air Force Base Sportsmans Club has been reorganized and interest is running high in outdoor sports.

Thurman E. Hopper (m/sgt)

(for) GUSTAVE A. MEIER, JR.
2nd Lt., USAF
Personnel Services Officer

HEADQUARTERS 40TH AIR DIVISION
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

BP 220.01 25 November 1953

SUBJECT: Airman Proficiency Tests

TO: See Distribution

1. This headquarters has encountered numerous difficulties in the administration of Airman Proficiency Tests. Some of the most frequent difficulties are:

a. Airmen failing to report for test.

b. Airmen reporting as much as one (1) hour late.

c. Squadrons submitting airmen for tests who are TDY, leave, pass or who do not desire to be tested.

d. Airmen reporting for test in civilian clothing.

2. Airmen departing on leave, TDY, or pass should be counseled on the contents of AFR 35-383, with special emphasis placed on dates of primary and secondary testing periods as outlined in attachment to AFR 35-383.

3. Airmen will be scheduled for test at least twenty-four (24) hours prior to date of administration and will be scheduled for one (1) day only. In event airmen are scheduled and cannot be present for test, Squadron Classification Clerk will notify the Base Test Control Officer, phone 549, giving reason and airmen will be rescheduled for a later date during that same test period.

4. In event airmen do not report and Test Control Officer has not been informed of reasons for such absence, a letter will be initiated by this officer to Commander of airmen concerned requesting reply by indorsement as to reason why airmen did not report.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMANDER:

JOSEPH E ZURO
1st Lt, USAF
Asst Adjutant

DISTRIBUTION:
Comdr, 31st Strat Ftr Wg
Comdr, 508th Strat Ftr Wg
Comdr, All Atchd & Asgd
Units 811th ABGp

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STRENGTH REPORT AS OF 30 NOVEMBER 1955 FOR 40TH AIR DIVISION

UNIT	AUTH	ASGD	ATCH	PFD	PNFD	SK	LV	DDY	AUTH	ASGD	ATCH	PFD	PNFD	AWOL	SK	LV	DDY	CONF
Hq 40th ADiv	10	18	2	12		1	7		7	6		6						
31st Strat Ftr Wg (TDY Location)	154	124	16	128				12	639	642	421	935	1				127	
31st Medical Gp	35	27		23			1	3	104	112	5	98	5			2	12	
TOTAL 31st SF Wg	189	151	16	151			1	15	743	754	426	1033	6			2	139	
Hq 508th Strat Ftr Wg	30	33	1	26			2	6	92	85	5	81			1	6	2	
466th Strat Ftr Sq	36	35	2	28	1		1	7	56	80	9	77	2			4	6	
467th Strat Ftr Sq	36	35	2	29			5	3	56	70	13	78	1		2	1	1	
468th Strat Ftr Sq	36	35	1	32			1	3	56	71	5	70				3	3	
508th A&E Maint Sq	9	6	2	8					213	183	27	182	3	1	1	6	16	1
508th Fld Maint Sq	5	4		3		1			229	225	41	250				8	7	1
508th Prd Maint Sq	4	3		3					108	100	15	110	1			2	2	
508th Medical Gp	17	12		11				1	73	73		69	2			2		
508th Air Refueling Sq	110	87		83			2	2	229	213		210		1	1			1
551st Avn Sq	15	11	2	11			2		33	33		32					1	
TOTAL 508th SF Wg	298	261	10	234	1	1	13	22	1145	1133	115	1159	9	2	5	32	38	3
Hq 811th AB Gp	45	40	1	29			4	8	203	264	1	213	4		1	23	24	
811th Supply Sq	13	8		6				2	302	305		245	4			5	50	1
811th Motor Veh Sq	5	3		3					188	188		122				6	60	
811th Air Police Sq	11	7		6				1	346	296	2	201	2	2	1	6	85	1
811th Installations Sq	6	3		3					204	219		175	6	1	2	8	26	1
811th Food Service Sq	6	2		2					202	252		160	6	1		6	78	1
811th Operations Sq	20	14	1	9			5	5	259	278	2	226			1	9	44	
TOTAL 811th AB GP	88	77	2	58			9	16	1704	1802	5	1342	22	4	5	63	367	4
BASE TOTAL	602	507	30	455	1	2	28	53	3599	3695	546	3540	37	6	10	97	544	7
4th RBS Sq	11	8	1	6				3	62	35		33				1	1	
26-3 Weather Det	7	4		4					15	15		15						
1926-2 AACS Det	7	1		1					61	57		52				5		
OSI	2	2		2														
TOTAL DETACHMENTS	27	15	1	13				3	138	107		100				6	1	

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PERSONAL AFFAIRS OFFICE
Monthly History-Nov 53

TO: Historical Officer:

1. The Dependents Assistance Counsel held its first meeting on 2 November 1953. The meeting was attended by Deputy Base Commander, Personnel Services Officer, Base Chaplain, Personal Affairs Officer, Legal Officer, and Finance Officer. Points of interest were discussed regarding the personal problems of the officers and airmens dependents whilbe they are on TDY c/s. Major McArthur, Base Chaplain, suggested that a general meeting of all dependents residing within this area be held at the base theatre, however; since the Personal Affairs Office ~~XXX~~ with the cooperation of the NCO Wives Club, a plan of briefing the dependents on facilities available at the base was formulated and carried out successfully. This plan was this: Letters were written to each dependent ~~XXX~~ advising him or her what facilities were available onthe base, listing on a seperate sheet (Letter and Incl attach) the information that dependents would need. In lieu of this the suggestion of the Base Chaplain was dropped.

2.c The question has ~~xxxxxx~~ come up as to whether the letters to the dependents were actually helpful and not just a waste of time and effort. Now it was determined that the letters were a help for the following reasons: a. Since the letters were sent, many dependents contacted this office for advice and information, mostly pertaining to allotments of pay, change of address, or financial assistance. b. Approximately 15 - 20 letters per month arrive at the base thanking us for the letter that was written and asking for information similar to a. On this basis it is realized that the letters ~~were~~ are a great help to the dependents in morale and information.

3. During the month of November 1953, the Personal Affairs Office continued to review the personal affairs files of the 811th AB Gp. Squadrons reviewed during the month are: 811th Motor Vehicle Sq, 12 & 13 Nov, 811th Food Service Sq, 16 & 17 Nov, 811th Operations Sq, 23 24 Nov, 3944th RBS Sq, 20 Nov. All Squadrons in the Air Base Group and the both Wings have had a eview of personal affairs files. During the review it was noted that the personal affairs files are in better condition than ever before.

4. Air Force Aid Society: see attached AFAS Form 1.

William C. Leskovar
WILLIAM C. LESKOVAR
2/Lt, USAF
Personal Affairs Office

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HEADQUARTERS, 811TH AIR BASE GROUP
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

The sudden departure of your on tempory duty from this base has possibly created certain personal problems which may be difficult for you to solve without assistance or proper guidance. You may not fully understand pay, allotments, legal or personal affairs matters, or, perhaps, you are not familiar with commissary and exchange facilities of various military installations.

I am vitally concerned with your welfare, irrespective of whether you reside in the vicinity of Turner Air Force Base or are now living in another locality. As you probably know, the services and facilities of all military installations may be available for your use. It is suggested that you write or contact me or my Personal Affairs Officer, or the Personal Affairs Officer nearest your home if you feel in need of any assistance.

A list of facilities and services generally common to all military installations is attached for your information and guidance. I have instructed my staff to assist those dependents residing locally in every way possible. For those dependents residing in the vicinity of other installations, I have written to the Commander, attention Personal Affairs Officer of that installation requesting all available services be made accessible to you to the maximum extent practicable.

In order to fully implement our Dependent's Assist nce Program without undue delay, it is necessary for me to use this means of communication. However, I want you to know that I recognize you as a member of our Air Force Family and I am interested in your well-being. If you feel that your problem requires my personal attention, please feel free to write me at any time. In addition, please keep my office informed of any change of your address.

Sincerely,

John J. Easton

JOHN J. EASTON
Colonel, USAF
Commander

1 Incl
List of Facilities available
to Dependents at most bases.

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HEADQUARTERS, 508TH STRATEGIC FIGHTER WING
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia
25 November 1953

OPERATIONS ORDER SMALL NO. 201-53

CHART OR MAP REFERENCES: As Required

TASK ORGANIZATIONS:

a.	508TH STRATEGIC FIGHTER WING	COLONEL CY WILSON
	(1) 467th Strategic Fighter Squadron	Major Billy G Edens
	(2) 468th Strategic Fighter Squadron	Lt Col Joseph T McKoon
	(3) 508th A & E Maintenance Squadron	Lt Col John J Lynch Jr
	(4) 508th Field Maintenance Squadron	Capt Richard A Atkins Jr
	(5) 508th Medical Group	Lt Col Oliver R Seamen
b.	811TH AIR BASE GROUP	COLONEL JOHN J ELSTON

1. GENERAL SITUATION: To deploy tactical squadrons of this organization to Eglin Auxiliary Field #6, (BLANCUR) to stage therefrom for air to ground gunnery at Range #64, and air to air gunnery at Gulfwater Ranges #32 thru #35. (Facilities furnished at Field #6 by Air Proving Ground Command are given in Annex "A" to this operations order.)

2. MISSION: Conduct gunnery program to qualify pilots of the 508th Strat Fighter Wing in air to ground gunnery and air to air fighter gunnery.

3. TASKS FOR SUBORDINATE UNITS:

a. 467th Strategic Fighter Squadron will:

(1) Deploy to Blancur Field on 2 December 1953 with twenty (20) F-84G aircraft.

(2) Establish gunnery camp and be responsible for mission outlined in paragraph 2 of this operations order.

(3) Conduct practice and record firing IAW AF Manual 335-25, Section VII, and 508th SFW Regulation 55-15, dated 23 Nov 53.

(4) Depart Biancur Field on 22 December 1953 and return to Turner Air Force Base, Georgia.

b. 468th Strategic Fighter Squadron will:

(1) Deploy to Biancur Field on 3 January 1954 with twenty (20) F-84G aircraft.

(2) Establish gunnery camp and be responsible for mission as outlined in paragraph 2 of this operations order.

(3) Conduct practice and record firing IAW AF Manual 335-25, Section VII, and 508th SFW Regulation 55-15, dated 23 Nov 53.

(4) Depart Biancur Field on 15 January 1954 and return to Turner Air Force Base, Georgia.

c. 508th A & E Maintenance Squadron will:

(1) Furnish for movement to Biancur Field on 1 December 1953 and on 3 January 1954, the necessary armament personnel and equipment to support twenty (20) F-84G aircraft conducting the gunnery mission.

(2) Return personnel to Turner Air Force Base on 22 December 1953 and all personnel and equipment on 15 January 1954.

(3) See Annex "A".

d. 508th Field Maintenance Squadron will:

(1) Furnish for movement to Biancur Field on 1 December 1953 and on 3 January 1954, necessary personnel and equipment to support flight line maintenance on twenty (20) F-84G aircraft conducting the gunnery mission.

(2) Return personnel to Turner Air Force Base on 22 December 1953 and all personnel and equipment on 15 January 1954.

(3) See Annex "A".

e. 508th Medical Group will:

(1) Furnish for movement to Biancur Field on 1 December 1953 and on 3 January 1954, the necessary personnel and equipment to support the gunnery mission.

(2) Return personnel to Turner Air Force Base on 22 December 1953 and all personnel and equipment on 15 January 1954.

(3) See Annex "A".

f. 811th Air Base Group will:

(1) Furnish for movement to Biancur Field on 30 November 1953 and on 3 January 1954 the necessary personnel and equipment to support the gunnery mission.

(2) Return personnel to Turner Air Force Base on 22 December 1953 and all personnel and equipment on 15 January 1954.

(3) See Annex "A".

(4) Support airlift as follows: One (1) C-47 aircraft to depart Turner Air Force Base for MAF #6 on 30 Nov, 1, 2, 21, 22 Dec 53. On 3, 4, 14, 15 January 1954 and as required to support the gunnery mission.

x. General:

(1) All qualified pilots assigned and attached to a tactical unit will accomplish sufficient proficiency and record firing to meet maximum qualification as marksman. For planning purposes this will require ten (10) aerial gunnery and four (4) ground gunnery mission per pilot.

(2) Camera film will be utilized and assessed on all aerial gunnery missions. Film laboratory at Eglin Main Base will process film.

(3) The Mobile Control Unit will be operated by the squadron concerned during all F-84 operations.

(4) The ground range will be operated by the squadron concerned and during all air to ground gunnery, an officer will be present at the range, and responsible for matters pertaining to safety and conduct of range procedures. In addition to radio communication Very Pistol signals will be used for emergencies.

(5) The names of officers and airmen scheduled for deployment to Biancur Field will be submitted to Director of Personnel, 508th Strategic Fighter Wing, in sufficient time for publication of orders.

(6) Unit commanders will be responsible that regulations and procedur pertaining to Eglin Bases and Ranges are inforced. Range procedures are outlined in AFG Reg 55-10.

4. ADMINISTRATIVE AND LOGISTICAL MATTERS:

a. See Annex "A".

b. Reports.

(1) Changes to S.C V-1 will be telephoned immediately to 508th Strategic Fighter Wing Operations Control Room.

(2) Weekly reports as of 2400 hours each Friday will be submitted by mail each Saturday, as follows:

(a) 50-8 Accomplishments (reported on S.C Forms 123 & 123a).

(b) Progress (Includes number of sorties by type and ammunition expended. Total number of pilots qualified and remarks on difficulties encountered.)

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5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS MATTERS:

a. Command: The commander designated in paragraph 3 will be in command of Biancur Field, and will assume responsibility for the conduct and welfare of all 40th Air Division personnel at Biancur Field.

b. Communications:

(1) Biancur Tower is operated on assigned AF Frequency 236.60 MCS, Channel #1.

(2) Ground gunnery range #6A and aerial gunnery is operated on 260.[illegible] MCS, Channel #6.

(3) SATAN CONTROL is operated on 257.00 MCS, Channel #8.

WILSON
Colonel

ANNEXES: A - Admin & Logistical Matters

OFFICIAL:

ROBERT C BAGBY
Colonel, USAF
Director of Operations

DISTRIBUTION:

APGC.....2 cys
40AD.....2 cys
466SFS.....1 cy
467SFS.....4 cys
468SFS.....4 cys
508FMS.....2 cys
508AAMS.....2 cys
508MCP.....2 cys
adj, 811ABG.....4 cys
D/P, 811ABG.....4 cys
F/B, 811ABG.....4 cys
L/O, 508SFW.....4 cys
D/M, 508SFW.....4 cys
D/S, 508SFW.....1 cy
File.....1 cy

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508SFW Opr Order
No. 201-53
25 Nov 53

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508TH STRATEGIC FIGHTER WING
Turner Air Force Base, Ga
25 November 1953

Annex A to Opns O 201-53

Maps: TAC's No. As Required

ADMINISTRATIVE AND LOGISTICAL MATTERS

1. SUPPLY

a. Air Force Installation

(1) AF-2-30, Turner AFB, Georgia

b. Class I (Rations and BX Supplies)

(1) Messing and housing facilities are available for officers and airmen at TDY base. Housekeeping equipment will be available at TDY base. All personnel will take two (2) ea blankets, two (2) ea bed sheets and one (1) pillow case. The TDY base will exchange linen with like items for laundry purposes.

(2) Mobile Exchange facilities will be made available by TDY base.

c. Class II (Organizational Equipment, Vehicles and Aircraft Supplies)

(1) The following equipment will be made available by organizations indicated. This equipment will be provided to the Engineering Officer of the 467th Strategic Fighter Squadron on a hand receipt. This equipment will be transported to the TDY base by motor transportation and will remain there until completion of gunnery mission. The Engineering Officer of the 468th Strategic Fighter Squadron will receipt for subject equipment in turn upon arrival at TDY base. It will be the responsibility of the 468th Strategic Fighter Squadron's Engineering Officer to return all equipment to Turner Air Force Base upon completion of the mission.

Item	Squadron
2 ea Generator Jeep Mounted	1 ea 467 SFS
	1 ea 468 SFS
4 ea A3A Generators	2 ea 467 SFS
	2 ea 468 SFS
1 ea Cart Oxygen Hi-Pressure	1 ea 467 SFS
2 ea Tow Bars	1 ea 467 SFS
	1 ea 468 SFS
1 ea Jack 5 Ton Nose	1 ea 468 SFS

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Item	Squadron
1 set Jacks 6 Ton Tripod	1 ea 468 SFS
1 ea Compressor 3000 lbs	1 ea 468 SFS
2 ea (Very Pistol) Pyrotechnic	1 ea 467 SFS
	1 ea 468 SFS
6 ea Tire MLG. MTD	6 ea 467 SFS
3 ea Tire NG. MTD	3 ea 467 SFS

(2) Each tactical squadron will deploy necessary special tools, test equipment and miscellaneous items not to exceed 1000 lbs. (This will include ladders and 263 equipment required.)

(3) The 508th Armament & Electronics Squadron will deploy the following equipment to remain at TDY base for duration of mission.

(a) Ground Power and Handling Equipment

3 ea Generators A-1
2 ea Generators C-21-B
1 set Jacks Wing
1 ea Mobile Control and Equipment

(b) Necessary special tools, mockups, test equipment and spares.

(c) Total weight of equipment and spares not to exceed 16,622 lbs.

(4) The 508th Field Maintenance Squadron will deploy the following equipment:

1 ea Dolly Engine
1 ea Aft Section Dolly
1 ea Frame "A"

(5) The 811th Supply Squadron will prepare a list of fast moving aircraft spares and other parts, coordinating with the Supply Liaison Officer of the 508th SFW, which will accompany the unit and be under the direct supervision of the Supply Coordinator. All requests for aircraft parts will be made to the Supply Coordinator who, if the item is not available, will forward the request to the Supply Liaison Section of the 508th SFW. All aircraft spares forwarded to TDY base will be marked for the supply coordinator.

(6) Wash rack facilities are available at TDY base.

(7) Motor vehicles will not be available at TDY base. Requests for motor vehicles will be submitted to 508th D/M office.

(8) Each tactical squadron operations officer will obtain sufficient gun camera film for operational requirements. Film to be installed in tactical aircraft and extra packs made available prior to departure from home base.

(9) The 811th Air Base Group will provide one (1) crash vehicle during ground gunnery operations.

(10) The 811th Food Service Squadron will provide messing implements and supplies to augment items in mess hall in quantities to support 250 people, not to exceed 300 lbs.

d. Class III (Fuel and Lubricants - Motor Vehicles)

(1) Motor vehicles and ground power equipment, gasoline and motor oil is available at TDY base.

e. Class IIIA (Aircraft Fuel and Lubricants)

(1) 100 Octane, JP-4 or equivalent and AN 1010 is available at TDY base.

f. Class IV (Constructions, Fortifications, Hangars and Facilities)

(1) Sufficient hangar and office space is available. Lighting facilities are available. Maintenance and Armament buildings are available at TDY base.

(2) Materiel for ground gunnery targets will be furnished by TDY base.

g. Class V (Ammunition and Chemical Agents)

(1) Ammunition for small arms will not be carried by individuals. Air Police arms and ammunition will be transported under the supervision of the senior A.P. officer or NCO.

h. Class VA (Air Force Ammunition)

(1) The following Ordnance items will be available at TDY base:

110,000 rounds ball ammo M-2
110,000 rounds 50 cal. M-33 ball ammo

i. Maps

(1) Requisition through Director of Operations, 508th SFW.

j. Water

(1) Obtain locally.

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k. Surplus Supplies

(1) Not applicable.

l. Salvage

(1) Items to be returned to home base.

m. Enemy Materiel

(1) Not applicable.

2. TRANSPORTATION

a. Support aircraft to airlift personnel and equipment will be furnished as directed by the 40th Air Division.

b. Additional aircraft support during mission will be requested of Director of Operations, 508th SPW.

c. Motor vehicle transportation will be provided by the 811th Motor Vehicle Squadron upon two (2) days advance notice. The weight of equipment and size of largest items will be provided upon making request for motor transportation.

d. The use of private automobiles for transportation to TDY base and while there is authorized at no expense to the government. Each person utilizing private transportation must obtain prior approval from the Unit Commander.

3. SERVICES

a. Medical

(1) Installations

(a) 508th Dispensary and/or hospital at TDY base.

b. Maintenance

(1) Required maintenance on tactical aircraft will be accomplished by maintenance personnel as listed herein. SAC Regulation 66-12 will be in effect.

4. PERSONNEL

a. Units as indicated will furnish the following personnel for this TDY. Requests for orders will be submitted by appropriate units to 508th Director of Personnel or 811th Director of Personnel on or before 0830 hours 30 November 1953. These requests will contain name, rank, serial number and AFSC. All personnel will report in person to the Tactical Squadron Project Officer at TDY base immediately upon arrival.

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(1) HEADQUARTERS 508TH STRATEGIC FIGHTER WING

1 ea	4344	Acft Maint Officer
1 ea	43170	Acft Maint Supv

(2) 508TH FIELD MAINTENANCE SQUADRON

1 ea	53450	Sheet Metal	2 ea	43151	Aero Repair
1 ea	43153	Engine Buildup	or	43171	
1 ea	42530	Hydraulic	2 ea	43134B	Electricians
			1 ea	43156	Instrument

(Above personnel to perform minimum maintenance in support of twenty (20) aircraft)

(3) 508TH ARMAMENT & ELECTRONICS MAINTENANCE SQUADRON

2 ea	3231	Armament Syst. Officer
3 ea	30130	Apr Arbn Elect Comm Equip Rpmn
1 ea	30131	Apr Arbn Elect Nav. Equip Rpmn
1 ea	30171A	Arbn Elect Comm & Nav Equip Maint Tech
3 ea	32230B	Apr Sighting System Mech
14 ea	32250B	Sr Sighting Syst Mech
1 ea	40370	Camera Rep. Tech.
1 ea	43156	Sr Acft Inst Mech
3 ea	46230	Apr Weapons Mech
8 ea	46250	Sr Weapons Mech
3 ea	46270	Weapons Maint Supv

(Above personnel to provide armament and electronic support for twenty (20) aircraft. In addition one (1) technical representative to supervise and advise on armament gunnery matters.)

(4) TACTICAL SQUADRONS (467TH AND 468TH)

Each tactical squadron will provide sufficient airmen for duration of this TDY. However, at least four (4) maintenance personnel will remain at home station for servicing aircraft.

(5) 508TH MEDICAL GROUP

1 Flight Surgeon
4 Corpsmen (capable of driving ambulance)

(6) 811TH AIR BASE GROUP

(a) 811th Operations Squadron

2 ea	23230	Photographic Lab. Tech
1 ea	30450	Comm Spec for Maint Gr. Range Radio

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(b) 811th Air Installations Squadron

2 ea	55230	Carpenters
5 ea	95150	Sr Fire Fighters

(c) 811th Supply Squadron

2 ea	60350	Sr Vehicle Operators (Refueling)
2 ea	64151	Supply Tech (Sup Coordinator)
12 ea	46150	Sr Munitions Spec
1 ea	46170	Munitions Supv

(d) 811th Air Police Squadron

13 ea	96150	Sr Air Policemen

(e) 811th Motor Vehicle Squadron

6 ea	60350	Sr Vehicle Operators

(f) 811th Food Service Squadron

2 ea	62270	Food Serv Supv
9 ea	62010	Food Serv Attendant
3 ea	62230	Apr Cook
12 ea	62250	Sr Cook

(g) The 506th SFW will furnish one (1) liaison officer to report to Operations and Training Director, room 129, Johnson Hall, Air Proving Ground Command, Eglin AFB prior to commencement of mission. This officer will report to the 506th D/O and D/A and DWCO in turn for instructions prior to departure.

b. Replacements

(1) Replacement will be furnished in accordance with policy set by the Wing Commander. (Note par. 5c)

c. Reports

(1) Any changes in status of personnel will be reported by teletype to this headquarters, ATTN: Director of Personnel.

d. Miscellaneous

(1) Personnel will be paid by a Class "A" Agent Pay Officer or by check at discretion of unit commander.

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(2) Squadron adjutants of organizations concerned will be responsible to see that mail pertaining to personnel on TDY will be forwarded to Adjutant, 508th SFW for shipment to the TDY base.

5. MISCELLANEOUS

a. Morale

(1) Special Services, other than those now available at TDY base, will be limited to the services which can be furnished by the 811th Air Base Group Special Services Office.

b. Law and Order

(1) Disciplinary matters will be handled in the normal manner. Individuals apprehended as being absent without leave will be returned to this station so that appropriate legal action may be taken. Military justice will be administered by the Base Legal Office.

c. Miscellaneous Personnel Activities

(1) It is anticipated that personnel authorizations listed in 4a above will be sufficient in quantity and skill level to accomplish the mission during period of TDY. If additional or replacement personnel are required to complete mission, they should be requested without delay. Full utilization of personnel must be made and request for additional personnel will not be acted upon unless full justification is included.

OFFICIAL:

WILSON
Colonel

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Lt Col, USAF
Director of Materiel

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HEADQUARTERS 40TH AIR DIVISION
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

BOT 353.01 18 November 1953

SUBJECT: Lectures

TO: All Units Assigned & Attached 40th Air Division
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

1. Mr. Parker from Strategic Air Command Headquarters will give a lecture on Communism and their practices on Thursday and Friday, 19 - 20 November 1953 in the theater. It is directed that all personnel assigned and attached to the 40th Air Division, including civilian workers, be present to hear this speaker in accordance with the following schedule:

a. Thursday, 19 November 1953 - 1100 hours

One-half (½) personnel from all squadrons, AB Group.

Thursday, 19 November 1953 - 1600 hours

One-half (½) personnel from all squadrons, AB Group.

b. Friday, 20 November 1953 - 1100 hours

Personnel from 508th Strategic Fighter Wing

Friday, 20 November 1953 - 1600 hours

Personnel from all attached units.

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BY ORDER OF THE COMMANDER:

Edmond L. Fortin

EDMOND L. FORTIN
Major, USAF
Adjutant

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HEADQUARTERS 40TH AIR DIVISION
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

BOT 353.01 18 November 1953

SUBJECT: Training Schedule for Saturday, 21 November 1953

TO: Commander, 508th Strategic Fighter Wing
Commander, 811th Air Base Group
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

1. The training schedule for Saturday, 21 November 1953, for all concerned is as follows:

a. Division Review honoring the retirement of Chief Warrant Officer Ross W. Huguet, 3944th Radar Bomb Squadron.

Reviewing Officer - Brigadier General Thayer S. Olds

0800 - 0830	Assembly of Troops
0830 - 0930	Adjutant's Call - NE Parking Ramp
Comdr of Troops:	Colonel Easton - Adjutant, 1st Lt Zuro
Staff:	Lt Col Guthrie
	Lt Col Houck
AB Group Comdr:	Lt Col Bearskin
Staff:	Major McArthur
	Captain Bunt
	Captain Vigder
AB Group Comdr:	Major Carroll
Staff:	Captain Schnell
	Captain Langston
	Captain Reeves

508th Strategic Wing Commander and staff as designated by Wing Commander.

ORDER OF MARCH

1st Section - AB Gp	2d Section - AB Gp	3d Session
3944th Radar Bomb Sq	Supply Sq	508th SF Wing
Food Service Sq	Installations Sq	
Motor Vehicle Sq	Headquarters Sq	
Operations Sq	Air Police Sq	
Colors	Colors	

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Ltr Hqs 40th ADiv, TAFB, Ga, file BOT 353.01, Subj: Training Schedule for Saturday, 21 Nov 53

Troops will form with nine (9) men front. All officers will parade with their respective squadrons. All airmen will parade with the exception of one (1) airman who will be on duty in each staff section.

PLACE: NE Parking Ramp
UNIFORM: Blues w/blouse and service cap

The first of a series of lectures by outstanding and nationally known speakers will be presented today at 1000 hours in the theater. Subjects to be discussed are of interest to Air Force personnel and in most instances will meet the prerequisities of required training.

b. For 508th Strategic Fighter Wing:

0930 - 1200 As designated by Wing Commander

c. For Headquarters, Operations, Food Sv & Ingstins Squadrons:

1000 - 1050 Communism by Major Potebnya from USAF Air University - Theater
1100 - 1200 Unit Training

d. For Motor Vehicle, Supply & Air Police Squadrons:

1000 - 1100 Unit Training
1100 - 1150 Communism by Major Potebnya from USAF Air University - Theater

2. Personnel may be excused at 1200 hours at the discretion of Unit Commanders.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMANDER:

Edmond L. Fortin

EDMOND L. FORTIN
Major, USAF
Adjutant

811TH OPERATIONS SQUADRON
811th Air Base Group
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

3 December 1953

SUBJECT: Historical Report

TO: Commander
811th Air Base Group
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

1. In accordance with AF Regulation 210-3, the following Historical Report for the month of November is submitted.

a. Personnel Section

Submitted with this report is a roster of key personnel assigned to this unit:

Major	William F. Kahley	Commander
Capt	Thomas R. Coleman	Adjutant
1st Lt	Edward M. Beaver	Supply Officer
Capt	Eugene W. Wolfe	Base Operations Officer
Capt	Franklin L. Tennyson	Base and Transit Aircraft Officer
Capt	Travis H. Reeves	Communication Officer
Capt	William D. Langston	Training Flight and Physical Fitness Officer
M/Sgt	Kenneth H. Logan	First Sergeant
T/Sgt	Raymond P. Foxworth	Telephone and Teletype Communication NCOIC
M/Sgt	Daniel W. Neel	Base Radio NCOIC
S/Sgt	Ray R. Ross	Wire Maintaninance NCOIC

There were no major changes during this period on officer classification.

There were several changes in personnel during this period. As of 1 November there were fourteen (14) officers and two hundred eighty five (285) airmen assigned. There were eleven (11) officers and two hundred fifty three (253) airmen present for duty. One (1) airmen present not for duty and one (1) officer and fifteen (15) airmen on leave, two (2) officers and sixteen (16) airmen on TDY.

a. Personnel Section (cont.)

The majority of personnel are assigned from school and from overseas. Most of the airmen are qualified in their fields.

There was a total of forty six (46) primary and duty AFSC's changed during this period.

During this period the Squadron had one (1) officer assigned and one (1) attached. There were no officer losses. The Squadron gained fifteen (15) airmen and lost thirty one (31). Two airmen were attached.

b. Base Communications

Final testing and cutting over of the Communications Center switchboard is being completed and preparations are being made to began operations on 12 December 1953.

The new crash alarm set has been received and installed with the master control position located in Base Operations Dispatch Office. The new equipment is capable of handling twenty one (21) stations. The new crash alarm switchboard to be installed in the Main Fire Station has been received. Installation is programmed in the immediate future.

Base Non-Tactical Radio System has been surveyed for siting. Radio sets authorized by the standard facility equipment list have been ordered and crystal frequencies as authorized by USAF allocation have been obtained and ordered. This system will provide Radio Communications coverage for AP's, Crash Fire and Maintainance Control Expeditions.

A recent visit to Headquarters, 2AF, was made by the Base Communications Officer to attend a conference for budget planning for communications for FY 1956.

c. Air Base Training Flight

During this period there were two (2) officers and thirty six

c. Air Base Training Flight (cont.)

(36) airmen assigned.

The range section fired ninety (90) airmen with the .30 Cal. M1 Carbine, fifty (50) officers with the .45 Cal. pistol and three (3) officers with the .38 Cal. revolver.

ABC Warfare Defense Training was given to one hundred eighty one (181) officers and airmen. ABC Warfare Defense (refresher) Training was given to one hundred (100) officers and airmen.

Morse Code Training was given to twenty (20) officers.

The Synthetic Training Section operated one (1) C-8 and two (2) C-11B instrument trainers for a total of one hundred seventy five (175) hours.

The physical conditioning unit conducted six hundred seventy eight (678) conditioning workouts; fifty (50) combative measure classes; one hundred fifty six (156) controlled sports periods.

A field service representative of Link Aviation Corporations was assigned during this period for the purpose of checking and assisting in technical maintenance of the C-11B trainers.

The base combative measures instruction attended a SAC Combative measures clinic at Barksdale AFB.

The basic survival school resumed operation in a new location. A three (3) day course is now being conducted. The first day is held in the classroom and the other two (2) held in the survival area.

Classrooms and training aids facilities were made available to organizations within the 40th AD.

d. Base Flight Section

There were ninety three (93) airmen and two (2) officers assigned during this period. There were twenty two (22) airmen assigned to alert crews.

d. Base Flight Section (cont.)

The following inspections were accomplished: Four (4) intermediate inspections and two (2) major inspections. Base Flight personnel supervised the changing of a transient F-89 engine and changed an engine on a C-47 and C-112.

Section personnel assigted in the movement of the 31st FIW by performing necessary maintenance and servicing on twenty four (24) C-124's, and eighteen (18) R6D aircraft.

The following transient aircraft were serviced and necessary maintance performed:

B-25	13	C-119	2	T-6	6
B-26	3	C-124	24	T-7	1
B-29	19	F-51	1	T-11	1
C-45	18	F-84	24	T-33	23
C-46	5	F-86	4	TBM	1
C-47	25	F-89	2	R6D	18
KC-97	4	F-94	2	L-20	2

Base Flight Aircraft flew during this period without a minor or major accident with a total of two hundred fifty nine (259) hours.

e. Base Operations

During this period there were twenty eight (28) pilots, three (3) medical examiners, one (1) flight surgeon, eleven (11) enlisted flight engineers and five (5) radio operators assigned or attached.

The following is data on base flight aircraft including airplanes and flying time for this period:

Aircraft	Time
T-7	53:30
C-47	187:05
TB-26	31:45

	T-7	TB-26	C-47
Training	3:55	26:00	2:25
Administrative	49:35	161:05	29:20

e. Base Operations (cont.)

Flying time	T-7	TB-26	C-47
Base Flight	58;40	41;20	180;10
307th S F Sq.	4;25	-	15;15
308th S F Sq.	-	-	-
309th S F Sq.	-	-	6;15
466th S F Sq.	1;20	-	44;50
467th S F Sq.	4;05	-	27;55
468th S F Sq.	16;00	-	42;20
508th ARS	7;05	-	80;05
Total flight time:		T-7	91;35
		C-47	396;50
		TB-26	41;20
Instrument time:		T-7	13;30
		C-47	88;25
		TB;26	8;45

NOTE: Instrument time is based on flying time.

Following percentages are based on AF Regulation 60-2 requirements, completed by pilots assigned or attached during this period.

Proficiency	86.7%
Night	92.4%
Hood and/or weather	93.5%

Turner Tower processed 1089 take offs and 1153 landings, IFR take offs 160, IFR landings 135, practice UHF/DF steers 294, UHF/DF steers 144, emergency UHF/DF steers 28, emergency VHF/DF steers 11 during this period.

Base operations dispatch section processed 318 incoming flights, 296 outgoing flights and 6 round robin flights during this period.

f. Base Photo Laboratory

No changes in the personnel strength of the laboratory were recorded during this period. Three (3) airmen were sent TDY to Japan for 90 days and one (1) airmen TDY to Eglin AFB for 20 days.

Due to various TDY assignments of personnel time production

f. Base Photo Laboratory (cont.)

of work orders has been decreased measureably.

Work accomplished during this period as follows:

4 x 5	negatives	602
4 x 5	prints	1864
8 x 10	negatives	215
8 x 10	prints	1945
20 x 24	negatives	6
20 x 24	prints	80
Photostats		1442
O_2alids		2500 sq. ft.
16 mm film		3000 ft.

g. Squadron Supply

There are six (6) airmen and one (1) officer assigned during this period.

The usual procedures of supply has little change.

Forms and records are currently in the process of being revised which allows a more efficient supply system from higher to lower echelons.

FOR THE COMMANDER

Thomas R Coleman

THOMAS R COLEMAN
Capt., USAF
Adjutant

SECURITY INFO

AOCP-ANFE STATUS AS OF 0800 HOURS WEDNESDAY 2 DECEMBER 1953

TYPE A/C	ASSIGNED	ANFE	AOCP
B-26	1	0	0
KB-29	17	2	0
C-47	3	0	0
F-84G	65	41	4
T-7	2	0	0
T-33	12	2	1
	101	45	5

ANFE PERCENTAGE.....47.8%
AOCP PERCENTAGE..... 4.9%

AOCP-ANFE PERCENTAGE FOR NOVEMBER

ANFE PERCENTAGE 52.9%
AOCP PERCENTAGE 5.9%

HEADQUARTERS
40TH AIR DIVISION (SAC)
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

SPECIAL ORDERS)
NUMBER 270)

10 Nov 53

E X T R A C T

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11. VO Comdr 9 Nov 53 dirg fol pers orgns indicated this sta to pro on 9 Nov 53 by mil acft when aval fr this sta to Robins AFB Ga to Lockbourne AFB Ohio, to Syracuse NY, to Wright-Patterson AFB OHIO CIPAP on TDY for aprx two (2) days for the purpose of A/L of Cargo (DPUO) and upon compl thereof w/rtrn to this sta, are cfmd, ESPWO. Govt qrs and messing fac w/b utilized to max extent aval. Pers are cleared for access to clasd mat up to and including types indicated for the pd of this TDY. Auth: AFR 35-52, 2AFR 35-8, Flt O 313 Par 4 Hq TAFB dt 9 Nov 53. TDN. 5743400 467-9400 P458-02 809-608.

	CLNC
CAPT PAUL R MYER A0684389 508th Periodic Maint Sq	TOP SECRET
2ND LT ROBERT W SEWALL A02216672 466th Strat Ftr Sq	TOP SECRET
S/Sgt GROVER C BULLOCK AF-20418361 811th Opr Sq	SECRET
S/Sgt WILLIAM S STEELE AF14233072 811th Opr Sq	SECRET
CAPT EUGENE W WOLFE A0754819 811th Opr Sq	TOP SECRET
2ND LT DALE K CHRISTIANS A02223734 811th Opr Sq	TOP SECRET

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BY ORDER OF THE COMMANDER:

EDMOND L FORTIN
Major, USAF
Adjutant

OFFICIAL:

/s/ Joseph E. Zuro
/t/ JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF
Asst Adj

A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

SAMUEL C. CRAIG
1st Lt., USAF

C O P Y

DISPOSITION FORM

TO: Base Commander FROM: S-4 DATE: 23 Dec 53 Comment No. 1

1. Reference your memo of 22 Dec 53, the following action is being taken to decrease the now high AOCP rate.

a. All items on Table II have been ordered from the depot, but Base Supply has received only 52%.

b. A truck is dispatched twice weekly to Robins Air Force Base for the purpose of picking up AOCP and ANFE items.

c. All necessary action is being expended by Base Supply to bring the stock level of KB-29 spares up to date. Due to the short time that KB-29 type aircraft have been assigned this station, a good working level has not been set up. As consumption warrants, levels will be changed.

d. This office is conducting a staff survey into the cause and elimination of our high AOCP rate.

/s&t/ CARL H. NEISWENDER
Major, USAF

A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

Samuel C. Craig
SAMUEL C. CRAIG
1st Lt., USAF

DISPOSITION FORM

SECURITY CLASSIFICATION (If any)

FILE NO.

SUBJECT: VDP and VDM Report

TO: S-4 FROM: Motor Veh Sq DATE: 7 Dec 53 COMMENT NO. 1

1. The total VDP for the month of November was 300 vehicle days of which there were 10,020 vehicle days available, bringing the percentage of VDP to 2.99%.

2. The total VDM was 92 vehicle days of which there were 10,020 vehicle days available, bringing the percentage of VDM to .91%.

CARL H. NEUSTENDER
Major, USAF
Commander

DD FORM 1 FEB 50 96 REPLACES NME FORM 96, 1 OCT 48, WHICH MAY BE USED.

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HEADQUARTERS STRATEGIC AIR COMMAND
Offutt Air Force Base
Omaha, Nebraska

GENERAL ORDERS)
NUMBER 82)

20 November 1953

E X T R A C T

SECTION

INACTIVATION OF 100TH AIR REFUELING SQUADRON, MEDIUM..... I
ACTIVATION OF 508TH AIR REFUELING SQUADRON, STRATEGIC FIGHTER.. II
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I. INACTIVATION OF 100TH AIR REFUELING SQUADRON, MEDIUM. 1. Effective 25 November 1953, the 100th Air Refueling Squadron, Medium, is inactivated at Turner Air Force Base, Georgia, and reverts to the control of the Department of the Air Force.

2. Personnel and equipment will be absorbed to the greatest extent practicable by the 508th Air Refueling Squadron, Strategic Fighter.

3. Organizational records and unit funds will be disposed of in accordance with paragraph 37, AFM 181-5, as amended.

4. Upon inactivation, UAL No 028-4392 is voided.

5. Authority: Restricted messages, Hq USAF, AFOMO-03 58049, 4 Nov 53, and 58744, 16 Nov 53.

II. ACTIVATION OF 508TH AIR REFUELING SQUADRON, STRATEGIC FIGHTER. 1. The unit listed below, having been assigned to the Strategic Air Command, is assigned to the Second Air Force, further assigned to the 508th Strategic Fighter Wing, and will be activated at Turner Air Force Base, Georgia, effective 25 November 1953.

Unit	T/O	Authorized Strength OFF	AMN
508th Air Refueling Squadron, Strategic Fighter	1-1174P 1 Mar 53 1 x Parts II & IIA	110	229

2. Equipment is authorized by Department of the Air Force message cited in paragraph 5, below. Confirming 322 letter will be furnished commanders concerned.

3. Precedence Category III-5 and UAL No 029-4392 are assigned.

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4. Appropriate remark will be entered in the organizational status table of the initial morning report on the effective date of activation in accordance with Chapter 2, SAC Manual 171-1.

5. Authority: Restricted messages, Hq USAF, AFOMO-03 58049, 4 Nov 53, and 58744, 16 Nov 53.

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BY ORDER OF THE COMMANDER:

OFFICIAL:

R. M. MONTGOMERY
Brigadier General, USAF
Chief of Staff

GLENN P. NELL
Colonel, USAF
Adjutant

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1st Lt., USAF

HEADQUARTERS 40TH AIR DIVISION
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

BM 600.1 6 November 1953

SUBJECT: Cooling Tower for Air Conditioning Unit Installed in Base Theater

TO: Commander
Second Air Force
Barksdale Air Force Base
Louisiana

1. Reference is made to Report of Staff Visit of Mr. Dexter H. Meyers, Headquarters, SAC, DM7B 680, 22 August 1953, and my reply by 2nd Indorsement, 21 October 1953, wherein it was stated that the Army and Air Force Motion Picture Service would be requested to provide funds for the installation of a cooling tower for the air conditioning unit in the Base Theater. In this connection, attention is invited to Inclosure #1, letter requesting funds for installation of the tower, and Inclosure #2, letter advising that subject item is considered maintenance service and would not be installed by the Motion Picture Service.

2. In accordance with paragraph 6, AF Regulation 85-19, a cooling tower is an item of equipment, the cost of which is the responsibility of the non-appropriated fund using activity. Therefore, it is requested that this base be furnished assistance by your Headquarters and Headquarters SAC in obtaining necessary funds from the Army and Air Force Motion Picture Service for effecting installation of subject cooling tower.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

/s/ Edmond L. Fortin
/t/ EDMOND L. FORTIN
Major, USAF
Adjutant

2 Incls
1. Ltr, Pers Svs Off, TAFB
2. Ltr, Dept of the Army & AF

A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:
Joseph E Zuro
JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

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HEADQUARTERS TURNER AIR FORCE BASE
Albany, Georgia

BASE-CNWF 123.

SUBJECT: Application for Special Grant.

TO: Commander
Second Air Force
Barksdale Air Force Base, Louisiana

1. FUND DESIGNATION: Consolidated Nonappropriated Welfare Fund, Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia.

2. AIR FORCE BASE: Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

3. NAME AND LOCATION OF SERVING POST TRUST FUND: Consolidated Nonappropriated Welfare Funds, Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia.

4. AMOUNT REQUESTED: $20,000.00

5. AUTHORIZED STRENGTH OF POST OR UNIT TO WHICH FUND PERTAINS:

a. Officer: 518

b. Airmen: 3336

c. Total: 3854

6. Not an Activation Grant.

7. a. Statement attached.

b. Description of project.

c. Justification for project.

d. Action taken to obtain funds from local sources.

e. Not applicable.

f. Proposed itemized list of expenditures.

8. The fund council has approved the activities to be financed from the funds requested.

JOHN J. EASTON
Colonel, USAF
President of the Council

JAMES L. EASON
2nd Lt., USAF
Custodian

9. The above facts are correct and the activities for which this grant is requested havebbeen reviewed and are considered essential for the welfare and morale of military personnel. Apropriated money is not available for the accomplishment of the project.

5 Incls
1-Financial Statement
2-Description of project
3-Justification
4-Statement from PX Officer
5-Proposed List of Expenditures

/s&t/ JOHN J. EASTON
Colonel, USAF
Commander

A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

Joseph E Zuro

JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

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POST EXCHANGE OFFICE
TURNER AIR FORCE BASE
Albany, Georgia

9 November 1953

SUBJECT: Statement of Non-Availability

TO Commander
811th Air Base Group
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

Adequate bowling facilities are not available through the Post Exchange Service.

/s&t/ GEORGE F. HUNT
Captain, USAF
Post Exchange Officer

A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

Joseph E Zuro

JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

PROPOSED ITEMIZED LIST OF EXPENDITURES

6 Brunswick Centennial Deluxe Bowling Alleys
Series 4600 complete with the following equipment:

6 B-10 semi-automatic pinsetters
6 sets range finders
6 pit and foul light assemblies "crib"
built-up foundations
3 standard ball return sections with
newel post
6 Brunswick #17 score tables

Delivered and Installed:	$ 18,100.00
Bowling accessories:	1,900.00
Total Expenditures.....	$20,000.00

PERSONNEL SERVICES OFFICE
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

BASE-PS 123. 9 November 1953

SUBJECT: Justification for Bowling Alleys

TO: Custodian
Nonappropriated Welfare Fund
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

1. It is requested that $20,000.00 be granted from the Strategic Air Command Welfare Fund for the construction of six (6) bowling lanes at Turner Air Force Base.

2. A building, thirty-seven feet by ninety-nine feet, has been designated to be converted into a bowling alley which, according to two leading bowling manufacturers, is suitable for six (6) lanes. Therefore, the six lanes are being requested instead of four (Ref. 2AFPSA 00406) for the following reasons:

a. At the present time, sixteen teams from this base are participating in leagues in the only bowling alley in the vicinity, which would utilize four lanes, four nights each week, excluding general participation.

b. More teams will participate if the facilities are available on the base.

c. Airmen are unable to bowl in town due to the overcrowded conditions.

d. Six alleys would enable intra-mural leagues to operate with alleys and time available for general participation.

e. The estimated cost will not exceed $20,000.00

3. At the present time, this base has great need of facilities for this popular indoor sport. The only bowling alley in this vicinity is approximately six miles from the main gate through hazardous traffic. This alley has only eight (8) lanes, with four nights each week being reserved for league play. Often airmen are unable to bowl due to the overcrowded conditions of the alleys and lack of sufficient transportation.

BPPS 123 Subject: Justification for Bowling Alleys

4. This grant from the SAC Welfare Fund would make possible a facility whereby military personnel and dependents could enjoy a wholesome recreational activity.

/s&t/ GUSTAVE A. MEIER, JR.
2nd Lt., USAF
Personnel Services Officer

A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

Joseph E Zuro

JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

PERSONNEL SERVICES OFFICE
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

BPS 123. 24 August 1953

SUBJECT: Justification for Special Grant

TO: Custodian
Consolidated Nonappropriated Welfare Fund
Turner Air Force Base, Georgia

1. The new Service Club is to be located in an "H" type building as per floor plan attached to description of project.

2. When the present air conditioning unit in the Service Club was applied for from this base, SAC Grant No. 52, the present Service Club seemed adequate for our needs. When the application for the grant was finally approved the master plan of this base called for a larger Service Club was at least one year away and the "H" type building was being occupied by Base Supply, it was decided that this air conditioning would be installed as applied for in order that the airmen and their guest would receive its benefits during the humid summer months. Inasmuch as the installation of this air conditioning unit increased Service Club participation approximately fifty (50) per cent, over-crowded conditions also increas increased the importance of relocating the club in larger facilities. Now that the relocation of the Service Club has been confirmed, and will take place prior to the summer of 1954, the above grant is requested. In the event that this grant is approved, the spacious and more adequate "H" type building will house our much improved Service Club facilities.

3. As indicated by previous operations with and without air conditioning, the success of the Service Club program is greatly effected due to the climate of this particular area where from May to October it is extremely hot and humid. Inside activities during these summer months which constitute a large number of participants and spectators, are next to impossible without air conditioning.

4. With the proposed Service Club facilities including the requested air conditioning and with recent acquisition of new furniture and games such as pool, ping pong, shuffleboard, etc., added during 1953, the Service Club will offer a well received wholesome program for the airman of the base and their guests.

A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

SAMUEL C. CRAIG
1st Lt., USAF

/s&t/ GUSTAVE A. MEIER, JR.
2nd Lt., USAF
Personnel Services Officer

HEADQUARTERS, TURNER AIR FORCE BASE
Albany, Georgia

BASE-CNWF 123. 24 August 1953

SUBJECT: Application for Special Grant.

TO: Commander
Second Air Force
Barksdale Air Force Base, Louisiana

1. FUND DESIGNATION: Consolidated Nonappropriated Welfare Fund, Turner Air Force Base, Georgia.

2. AIR FORCE BASE: Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia.

3. Name and location of Serving Post Trust Fund: Consolidated Non-appropriated Welfare Funds, Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia.

4. AMOUNT REQUESTED: $1300.00

5. AUTHORIZED STRENGTH OF POST OR UNIT TO WHICH FUND PERTAINS:

a. Officer: 490

b. Airmen: 3180

c. Total: 3670

6. Not an Activation Grant.

7. a. Statement attached.

b. Description of project.

c. Justification for project.

d. None.

e. Not applicable.

Hq TAFB BASE-CNWF 123. Subject: Application for Special Grant

8. The fund council has approved the activities to be financed from the funds requested.

JOHN J. EASTON
Colonel, USAF
President of the Council

JAMES L. EASON
2nd Lt., USAF
Custodian

9. The above facts are correct and the activities for which this grant is requested have been reviewed and are considered essential for the welfare and morale of military personnel. Appropriated money is not available for the accomplishment of the project.

3 Incls
1. Financial Statement
2. Description of project
3. Justification

JOHN J. EASTON
Colonel, USAF
Commander

A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

Samuel C. Craig
SAMUEL C. CRAIG
1st Lt., USAF

PERSONNEL SERVICES OFFICE
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Ga.

21 August 1953

BPS 123.

SUBJECT: Description of Project

TO: Custodian
Consolidated Nonappropriated Welfare Fund
Turner Air Force Base, Georgia

1. Request $5500.00 be granted this base for the purpose of moving the twenty-five (25) ton air conditioning unit from the present Service Club to the new and permanent location.

2. It is also requested that $7500.00 be granted this base for the purpose of installing an additional fifteen (15) tons of air conditioning that is required to completely air condition the new Service Club building.

1 Incl
Floor Plan of new Service
Club Building

/s/ Gustave A. Meier, Jr.
2nd Lt., USAF
Personnel Services Officer

A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

Samuel C. Craig

SAMUEL C. CRAIG
1st Lt., USAF

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EXCHANGE SERVICE, FOR THE SALE OF AIR CONDITIONING EQUIP IN THE
PRESENT SERV CLUB BLDG. REQ THAT TURNER AFD RETURN THE UNUSED PORTION
OF CONSTRUCTION GRANT NO. 52 BY CHECK MADE PAYABLE TO THE CUSTODIAN,
SAC WELFARE FUND. A GRANT HAS BEEN APPROVED FOR AIR CONDITIONING
THE NEW SERV CLUB AT TURNER IN THE AMT OF $14,328 PLUS THE REFUND
FR GRANT NO. 52. REQ FOR APPROVAL TO PREPARE A PROJECT AND A BRIEF
DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPOSED AIR CONDITIONING INSTL AT TURNER SHOULD
BE FWDED TO THIS HQ ASAP, IAW LTR THIS HQ DM7B 123, 14 MAY 53, SO
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HEADQUARTERS TURNER AIR FORCE BASE
Albany, Georgia

BASE CNEW 123. 12 November 1953

SUBJECT: Application for Special Grant

TO: Commander
Second Air Force
Barksdale Air Force Base, Louisiana

1. FUND DESIGNATION: Consolidated Nonappropriated Welfare Fund, Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia.

2. AIR FORCE BASE: Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia.

3. NAME AND LOCATION OF SERVING POST TRUST FUND: Consolidated Nonappropriated Welfare Funds, Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia.

4. AMOUNT REQUESTED: $ 5,000.00

5. AUTHORIZED STRENGTH OF POST OR UNIT TO WHICH FUND PERTAINS:

a. Officer: 518

b. Airmen: 3336

c. Total: 3854

6. Not an activation grant.

7. a. Statement attached.

b. Description of project.

c. Justification for project.

d. None.

e. Not applicable.

f. Proposed itemized list of expenditures.

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Hq TAFB BASE-CNWP 123. Subject: Application for Special Grant.

8. The fund council has approved the activities to be financed from the funds requested.

JOHN J. EASTON
Colonel, USAF
President of the Council

JAMES L. EASON
2nd Lt., USAF
Custodian

9. The above facts are correct and the activities for which this grant is requested have been reviewed and are considered essential for the welfare and morale of military personnel. Appropriated money is not available for the accomplishment of the project.

4 Incls
1. Financial Statement
2. Description of project
3. Justification
4. Proposed itemized list of expenditures

/s&t/ JOHN J. EASTON
Colonel, USAF
Commander

A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

PERSONNEL SERVICES OFFICE
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

BPPS 123. 12 November 1953

SUBJECT: Justification for Winterizing Picnic Area Pavilion

TO: Custodian
Nonappropriated Welfare Fund
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

1. Request that five thousand dollars ($5,000.00) be granted from the Strategic Air Command Welfare Fund for winterizing the picnic pavilion at this base. This winterizing includes the sealing of a portion of the exterior walls od the existing pavilion; the installation of window sash; insect screening; doors and screen doors; the construction of a fireplace; and the installation of a hot water boiler and hot water unit heaters.

2. The picnic pavilion was constructed at this base from the Airmen's Living Improvement Fund. This pavilion is 112 feet six inches long and 38 feet wide, and includes a band shell, food-preparation room, storage room, juke box, etc. It is principally used at this base for organizational parties and for sponsoring special programs by the Service Club and other agencies of this base such as Officers' Club, NCO Club, etc. The proposed expenditures on the pavilion will make it ideal for this purpose and will provide all base personnel with a facility for numerous types of recreation which could be enjoyed all year round.

3. At the present time, it is impossible to utilize the picnic pavilion for more than four months of the year due to the inclement weather and many insects such as mosquitoes and gnats. Squadrons are often discouraged in promoting organizational parties due to the fact that personnel dislike preparing, eating, and spending their leisure time under the now existing conditions. This proposed expenditure would eliminate these detrimental factors and certainly encourage organizations to sponsor parties for their personnel and dependents, which would definitely be a desired morale factor.

A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:
Joseph E Zuro
JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

/s&t/ GUSTAVE A. MEIER, JR.
2nd Lt., USAF
Personnel Services Officer

PROPOSED ITEMIZED LIST OF EXPENDITURES

This project consists of sealing a portion of exterior walls of existing picnic pavilion; the installation of window sash; insect screening; doors and screen doors; the construction of a fireplace and the installation of a hot water boiler and hot water unit heaters for heating purposes.

Concrete and masonry work	$ 950.00
Heating	1200.00
Carpentry, including sash, doors, screening and framing	1400.00
Electrical work	50.00
Profit, overhead contingency	1400.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	$5000.00

HEADQUARTERS 40TH AIR DIVISION
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

DCDR 080

27 October 1953

SUBJECT: Turner Air Force Base Community Chest Campaign for 1953

TO: See Distribution

1. The organization for our 1953 Community Chest Campaign will be as follows:

Project Officer - Brigadier General Thayer S. Olds
Deputy Project Officer - Lt Colonel Leaford Bearskin
Deputy Project Officer for Civilian Personnel - Mr. Geo. Johnston
Project Staff - Colonel Cy Wilson 508th Wing
Colonel David C. Schilling 31st Wing
Colonel John J. Easton 811th Air Base Group and all asgd & attached units
1st Lt Edward H. Dean Treasurer
T/Sgt Erskine C. Currie Publicity

Assistant Project Officers and Squadron Collectors -

508th Strategic Ftr Wing

Captain John La Re	Hq Sq Sec Comdr
Major Vasseure H. Wynn	466th SF Sq Comdr
Major Billy G. Edens	467th SF Sq Comdr
Lt Col Joseph T. McKeon	468th SF Sq Comdr
Captain Paul R. Myer	508th PM Sq Comdr
Lt Col John J. Lynch, Jr.	508th A&E Sq Comdr
Capt Richard A. Atkins, Jr.	508th FM Sq Comdr
Lt Col Oliver R. Seaman	508th Medical Gp Comdr

31st Strategic Ftr Wing

Major Charlie R. Chastain	Hq Sq Sec Comdr
Major Robert J. Keen	307th SF Sq Comdr
Lt Col Frank W. Klibbe	308th SF Sq Comdr
Captain Frank F. Long	31st A&E Maint Sq Comdr
Major Hayden C. Curry	309th SF Sq Comdr
Major Buford M. Eaves	31st FM Sq Comdr
Captain Lorin W. Darst	31st PM Sq Comdr
Lt Col Albert W. Van Sickle	Wing Surgeon

811th Air Base Group

2nd Lt John H. Johl	Hq Sq Sec Comdr
Captain J. W. Henderson	811th AP Sq Comdr

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Hq 40th Air Div Subj: TAFB Community Chest Campaign for 1953

811th Air Base Group (Cont'd)

2nd Lt Lee R. McNair	811th Food Sv Sq Comdr
Major Robert I. DeWitt	811th Instl Sq Comdr
Major Carl H. Neiswender	811th Motor Veh Sq Comdr
Major William F. Kahley	811th Opr Sq Comdr
Major Bruce B. Wilson	811th Supply Sq Comdr

2. The system for accepting contributions to our 1953 Community Chest Fund will be as follows:

a. Squadron Commander will personally contact each member of his squadron in an effort to secure a pledge on a pledge card by 25 November 1953.

b. Not later than 5 December 1953, each Squadron Commander will personally contact each member of his squadron to accept the money in the amount of the pledge.

c. All money donated will be turned in personally by each Squadron Commander (Squadron Commanders of 31st Wing excepted) to Lt. Dean not later than 10 December 1953. 31st Wing Squadron Commanders will turn money over to Major James W. Osborne, who will in turn send bank draft to Lt. Dean.

d. Lt. Dean will deposit all money collected to a special account and turn over a check for the amount collected to me for delivery to the Dougherty Public Solicitations, Inc.

THAYER S. OLDS
Brigadier General, USAF
Commander

DISTRIBUTION:
Comdr, 31st SFW
Comdr, 508th SFW
Comdr, 811th ABG (and all units asgd & atchd thereto)
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1953 COMMUNITY CHEST FUND DONATIONS

	Amount
Individuals and Clubs	$269.10
811th Air Base Group	2,009.41
508th Strategic Fighter Wing	964.52
31st Medical Group	148.00
Tenant Organizations	193.50
Grand Total	$3,584.53

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HEADQUARTERS 40TH AIR DIVISION

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811TH AIR BASE GROUP

TURNER AIR FORCE BASE, ALBANY, GEORGIA

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HEADQUARTERS 40TH AIR DIVISION

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811TH AIR BASE GROUP

TURNER AIR FORCE BASE, ALBANY, GEORGIA

(SECOND AIR FORCE)

(STRATEGIC AIR COMMAND)

for

DECEMBER 1954

History prepared by: T/Sgt. Frank F. Aldridge, Historian

SAMUEL C. CRAIG
1st Lt., USAF
Historical Officer

JOHN J. EASTON
Colonel, USAF
Base Commander

TURNER S. OLDS
Brig. Gen, USAF
40th Air Division
Commander

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CHRONOLOGY

CHRONOLOGY

5 December 1953 - The Readable Writing Team from the Air University, Maxwell AFB, Alabama presented a lecture to Turner personnel.

6 December 1953 - Secretary of the Air Force Harold E. Talbott and party visited Turner AFB for a brief tour of the base.

11 December 1953 - Division Commander re-emphasized security training in letter, 40AD, BPM 380.01.

12 December 1953 - Turner Airmen's Living Improvement Fund Council met at 1030 hours. Council voted to notify Airmen's Council of $3,161 increase in funds available and to obtain their opinion concerning forced air ventilation.

13 December 1953 - New telephone numbers, base wide, became effective.

16 December 1953 - Turner Airmen's Living Improvement Fund Council (Airmen) met at 1300 hours. Council voted that entire amount of race proceeds ($13,000) be pro-rated to the squadrons.

17 December 1953 - Reorganization of 811th Food Service Squadron, which is an increase of 21 airmen positions over that authorized in SAC General Orders 70, 9 October 1953.

CHRONOLOGY (Cont'd)

23 December 1953 - Turner Airmen's Living Improvement Fund Council met at 0900 hours. Council voted to include 508th ARS in pro-rate distribution of 1953 race proceeds, and that a distribution of $13,000 be made to all squadrons and detachments assigned to Turner on the basis of authorized strength.

24 December 1953 - Message received from Second Air Force quoting SAC message outlining new policy concerning the wearing of the uniform.

ORGANIZATION AND ADMINISTRATION

I - ORGANIZATION AND ADMINISTRATION

40th Air Division Staff Changes

Commander

In December 1953 there was only one change in the staff of the 40th Air Division. This was a temporary change which occurred as a result of the Division Commander departing for Ramey Air Force Base to attend a Second Air Force commanders conference. During his absence Colonel Robert C. Bagby assumed command. 1/ This change was effective until Brigadier General Thayer S. Olds, division commander, returned on 5 December 1953.

811th Air Base Group Staff Changes

Commander

Lieutenant Colonel Leaford Bearskin was appointed commander of the 811th Air Base Group by general order number 34, Headquarters 811th Air Base Group. The order was dated 1 December 1953. 2/

This action was effective during the temporary absence of Colonel John J. Easton. Colonel Bearskin was in that capacity until Colonel Easton returned to this station on 5 December 1953.

1/ GO 38, Hq 40th AD, Turner AFB, Ga., dtd 2 Dec 1953. (Exhibit 1)
2/ GO 34, Hq 811th ABG, Turner AFB, Ga., dtd 1 Dec 1953. (Exhibit 2)

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Security Indoctrination Program

During the month of December 1953 security training and indoctrination was re-emphasized. 3/ It was determined by a recent penetration test that the Turner Air Force Base security system did not measure up to the required standards. A program was initiated in early December to re-indoctrinate all personnel assigned to this installation. A new schedule was published and distributed to all units assigned or attached to Turner Air Force Base. The schedule provided that all personnel assigned to this base prior to 1 December 1953 were to be indoctrinated or re-indoctrinated by their unit security officer. This action was scheduled to be completed on or before 1 February 1954. The base training flight was given the responsibility for training personnel assigned here after 1 December 1953. 4/

Security Failures

The recent penetration test at Turner Air Force Base disclosed several examples identical to those recorded in a publication released by Headquarters United States Air Force. 5/

3/ Ltr, Hq 40th AD, file BPM 380.01, undated, subj: "Security Indoctrination Program." (Exhibit 3)
4/ Ibid.
5/ Ltr, Hq 40AD, file SOT, 380, subj: "Security Failures." (Exhibit 4)

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In order to accomplish the desired ends of the security program, Headquarters 40th Air Division published a Unit Security Officer Check List which was designed to assist unit security officers in their part of the program. Also, to more nearly insure that local security indoctrination reached a maximum level. 6/

Work Measurement System

In December 1953 a program was initiated to implement the USAF Work Measurement System in three squadrons within the 811th Air Base Group, Turner Air Force Base, Georgia. 7/

This action was a result of a Strategic Air Command order which designated the 811th Food Service Squadron, the 811th Supply Squadron, and the 811th Air Police Squadron the units in which the program was to be implemented. 8/

The activity was begun with a meeting of all supervisory personnel from the squadrons involved on 10 December 1953. At that time general instructions were given and Air Force Manual 25-4, USAF Work Measurement System, was distributed.

Other meetings with individual squadrons were held during December 1953 to further explain the system. More were planned for January 1954 to iron out difficulties encountered in implementing the program. 9/

6/ Ltr, Hq 40th AD, File DOT 353, subj: "Unit Security Officers Check List." (Exhibit 5)
7/ Ltr, MPO Sect, Hq 811th ABG, Turner AFB, Ga, no file number, subj: "Historical Report for the Month of December 1953 - Manpower and Organization." (Exhibit 6)
8/ Ibid.
9/ Ibid.

PERSONNEL

II - PERSONNEL

Officer Strength - 1 December 1953

40th Air Division

There were 602 officers authorized for the entire 40th Air Division while only 507 were assigned. 10/ There was actually little relief in sight for this shortage. In the latter part of December 1953, Headquarters Strategic Air Command pointed out that it was acknowledged that there was a critical shortage of supply officers at this installation. It was stated in a message from that headquarters that an attempt would be made to partially alleviate the situation by diverting some rated pilots above the grade of first lieutenant to Turner Air Force Base. These officers could serve as supply officers as an additional duty. 11/

It was also pointed out that an identical condition exists in the aircraft and engine field, but that there was actually little relief in sight for this contingency. 12/

811th Air Base Group

In December 1953, there were 105 officers authorized in the 811th Air Base Group with only 77 assigned. Therefore, the group was only

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10/ Strength Rpt as of 30 Nov 1953 for 40th AD. (Exhibit 7)
11/ Message fr Hq 2AF, part two, to Comdr, TAFB. (Exhibit 8)
12/ Ibid.

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73.3 percent manned. This compares to the 31st Strategic Fighter Wing which was 79.8 percent manned, and the 508th Strategic Fighter Wing which was 87.6 percent manned. 13/

As was true during most of 1953, there was no immediate relief in sight for this situation concerning shortage of officers in the 811th Air Base Group since officers are assigned by higher headquarters. 14/

Airmen Strength -- 1 November 1953

40th Air Division and 811th Air Base Group

On 1 December 1953 there were 3599 airmen authorized in the 40th Air Division and 3695 assigned. Within the 811th Air Base Group, 1704 were authorized and 1802 assigned. 15/

Notwithstanding the airman early release program, the above figure shows that there is an airman overage at this installation of nearly 100. According to the Base Personnel Office, every possible airman was released during December 1953, at which time the program came to an end. 16/

Early in the month a letter was distributed throughout the Base which in effect beseeched all commanders to screen the records of airmen in their organizations and seek out all those who should be released. It was stressed that the primary objective of the airman early release

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13/ Strength Rpt as of 30 Nov 1953 for 40th AD. (Exhibit 7)
14/ Interview w/Base Pers Off By T/Sgt Frank F. Aldridge, Historian.
15/ Strength Rpt as of 30 Nov 1953 for 40th AD. (Exhibit 7)
16/ Interview w/Base Pers Off by T/Sgt Frank F. Aldridge, Historian.

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program was to rid the Air Force of all individuals whose presence was -- and was to remain -- a stumbling block to its constructive growth. Those who were to be sought out were the marginal producer, those with no growth potential and those with a low aptitude. It was acknowledged that every effort must be made to continuously strive to improve the caliber of airmen in order to make room for the better qualified who are necessary to equip and maintain a service which is rapidly becoming more and more complex.

It was further stressed that all commanders should become acutely cognizant of the tools available to them at the end of the early release program. Among these tools were Air Force Regulation 39-16 with its amendments. It was readily acknowledged that if these criteria were properly used, the Air Force the Command and the Division would all materially benefit. 17 & 18 /

Erroneous Separation of Airmen

On 16 December 1953 the Base Personnel Office distributed a letter which informed all commanders of the errors which had been discovered in airmen's separation. A check of records of separated airmen in Headquarters USAF revealed that there was a preponderance of mistakes at all levels concerning these men. It was discovered that airmen who have reserve service obligations under the Universal Military Training

17/ Ltr, Hq 40AD, file BP 220, subj: "Separation of Airmen," dtd 7 Dec 1953. (Exhibit 9)
18/ Ltr, Hq 40AD, file BP 220, subj: "Early Release of Airmen," dtd 7 Dec 1953. (Exhibit 10)

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and Service Act were discharged contrary to the requirements of that act. Also, many airmen who did not have reserve obligations had been released from active duty and transferred in error to the Air Force Reserve.

These errors resulted from carelessness on the part of persons accomplishing separation, or either on a mistaken and incorrect interpretation of the Air Force Regulation.

It was stressed that it was imperative that the records of airmen already separated be corrected. In the past these corrections had been made by Headquarters USAF. However, in the future, the records of individuals concerned would be forwarded to the major air commanders concerned for corrective action. By the latter action, the areas which were causing the most trouble could be discovered and the problem more equitably solved.

This action was taken at Turner Air Force Base in order to insure that errors of this nature would not occur. 19/

Ground Safety

Accident Trend

The December 1953 military accident rate rose slightly above the rate for November. 20/ The rate for December was 3.79 as compared to the November rate which was 2.56. One reason for the upward trend was two accidents which occurred in November 1953 but were not reported until

19/ Ltr, Hq 4OAD, file BP 220, subj: "Erroneous Separation of Airmen," dtd 16 Dec 1953. (Exhibit 11)
20/ Unit Hist for Dec, 1953, Gr Safety Sect, Turner AFB, Ga. (Exhibit 12)

December 1953. Although the December 1953 rate was higher than the November 1953 rate, it is still lower than the overall Second Air Force rate and considerably lower than the Air Force-wide rate. 21/

A considerable amount of stress was placed on an accident free Christmas and New Year Holiday. Colonel John J. Easton, 811th Air Base Group Commander, addressed the entire personnel of the group en masse at the base theater and expressed his desire that every one drive and live carefully during the holiday season. As a possible result of this talk, together with generally concentrated action by all commanders, there were no reportable motor vehicle accidents during the entire month of December 1953. 22/

Civilian Personnel

The most difficult problem confronting the civilian personnel office is that of filling the vacant engineering position in the Air Installations Squadron. The problem was made more difficult in December due to the Holiday Season which necessarily limited recruitment activities. 23/

Recruiting

Reenlistments

During the month of December there were 13 reenlistments within the 40th Air Division. 24/ Although this was considered unseasonable by

21/ Interview w/Gr Safety Dir by T/Sgt. Frank F. Aldridge, Historian.
22/ Unit Hist, for Dec 1953, Gr Safety Dept, Turner AFB, Ga. (Exhibit 12)
23/ Monthly Unit Hist. Civ Pers. Ofc, Dec 1953. (Exhibit 13)
24/ Ltr, Rctg Ofc, Turner AFB, Ga. (no file) subj: "Historical Report for the month of Dec 1953. (Exhibit 14)

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the 811th Air Base Group Recruiting Office, it was not high enough for extra consideration. However, it was excellent when compared to the November 1953 number of reenlistments which totalled four. 25/

Personnel Services

Activities within the Personnel Services Office during December 1953 were considered normal for the winter season. For a breakdown of routine events, see the appendix. 26/

Personal Affairs

Dependents Assistance

The Personal Affairs Dependents Assistance program progressed at a pleasing rate in December 1953. According to representatives of that office, much of the success is due to the excellent cooperation of welfare agencies throughout Turner Air Force Base, and to the extent which was made of the telephone in both local and long distance telephone calls to reduce the time needed to expedite emergencies. 27/

Officer Strength - 31 December 1953

40th Air Division

By the end of December 1953 the total authorization for the

25/ See page 17 of the 40AD and 811th ABG Hist Rpt for Nov 1953.
26/ Ltr, file BPPS, Pers Serv Ofc, subj: "Personnel Services History - Dec 1953," dtd 7 Jan 1954. (Exhibit 15)
27/ Pers. Affairs Ofc Monthly Hist. - Dec 1953. (Exhibit 16)

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40th Air Division had been reduced from 602 to 597 officers. 28/ This reduction in authorized strength was a result of the 811th Air Police Squadron and the 811th Food Service Squadron being reorganized under a new Table of Organization as directed by Headquarters USAF. 29/

811th Air Base Group

Within the 40th Air Division there was a reduction in officer authorized strength of five, and the 811th Air Base Group absorbed the entire loss. This was true because the two squadrons involved in the change in Table of Organization were assigned to the group. 30/

Airmen Strength - 31 December 1953

40th Air Division and 811th Air Base Group

Between 1 and 31 December 1953 the total number of airmen authorized within the 40th Air Division and the 811th Air Base Group was reduced from 3599 to 3456. As was true in the reduction of authorized officers, this lowering was brought about by the initiation of a new Table of Organization within the 811th Air Police Squadron and the 811th Food Service Squadron, both of which are assigned to the 811th Air Base Group. 31/ Since this was directed by Headquarters USAF, it was not possible to alter the situation. According to the Base Manpower Office, the reorganization was transacted rapidly and without undue controversy. 32/

28/ Strength Rpt as of 31 Dec 1953 for 40AD (Exhibit 17)
29/ Interview w/Base Manpower Offr. by T/Sgt. Frank F. Aldridge, Historian.
30/ Strength Rpt as of 31 Dec 1953 for 40AD. (Exhibit 17)
31/ Ibid.
32/ Interview w/Base Manpower Off by T/Sgt. Frank F. Aldridge, Historian.

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OPERATIONS AND TRAINING

III - OPERATIONS AND TRAINING

Training

Saturday Training Schedule

Continued emphasis was placed on the training of Turner Air Force personnel during this reporting period. The results were considered gratifying. This was true because the programs sponsored by the Training Flight proved educational to all concerned. 33/

On 5 December 1953 the Readable Writing Team from the Air University, Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama presented a lecture to the officers and airmen of this installation. According to personnel of the Training Flight, the presentation was enthusiastically received and proved a distinct asset to Turner Air Force Base. 34/

Operations Order 201-53

The successful implementation of 508th Strategic Fighter Wing Operations Order 201-53 35/ demonstrated that there is close cooperation between all units assigned to Turner Air Force Base. 36/ This was considered a major operations and training activity which affected not only the 508th Strategic Fighter Wing but many units of the 811th Air Base Group. 37/

33/ Ltr, file BOT, fr Oper & Trng Sect, 811th ABG, subj: "Historical Data for Month of Dec 1953." (Exhibit 18)
34/ Interview w/Base Oper Off by T/Sgt Frank F. Aldridge, Historian.
35/ See December 1953 Hist fr 508th SF Wing.
36/ Ltr, file BOT, fr Oper & Trng Sect, 811th ABG, subj: "Historical Data for Month of December 1953." (Exhibit 18)
37/ See page 20 of the 40AD and 811th ABG Hist Rpt for Nov 1953.

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Base Communications

The most important event within the communications section during December 1953 was the cut-in of the new telephone exchange at midnight on 12 December 1953. 38/ In converting over to the new exchange, much needed additional service became available throughout the base.

Before the actual cut-in the base communications office distributed new telephone directories throughout the base. A new directory was absolutely essential since such a small number of telephones retained the number previously assigned under the old system.

Wire Maintenance

During this reporting period activities of the 811th Operations Squadron Wire Maintenance Section were of a routine nature. A normal number of telephones were installed and necessary repairs made. For a detailed description of occurrences, see the appendix. 39/

Base Radio

As was true in the Wire Maintenance Section, activities in Base Radio were routine. The highlight of the section was a successful inventory by the Warner Robins Air Force Base inspection team. 40/

38/ Ltr, file BOTC, fr Base Comm Ofc, subj: "Monthly Historical Report," dtd 6 Jan 1954. (Exhibit 19)
39/ Ltr, (no file) fr 811th Oper Sq, Wire Maint Sect, subj: "Monthly Historical Report," dtd 4 Jan 1954. (Exhibit 20)
40/ Ltr, no file, fr Base Radio Ofc, 811th Oper Sq, subj: "Monthly Historical Report," dtd 1 Jan 1954. (Exhibit 21)

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Photographic Laboratory

Although the number of negatives and prints developed by the Base Photographic Laboratory was slightly less than the number accomplished in November 1953, 41/ the difference was so small as to be considered negligible. Otherwise, the Base Photographic Laboratory carried on routine activities during the month of December 1953. 42/

AFR 60-2 Requirements

Pilots assigned or attached to Base Flight of the 811th Air Base Group for flying completed the following percentages of Air Force Regulation requirements during the month of December 1954: 43/ proficiency, 93.8 percent. This was an increase of 7.1 percent over November 1953. Night, 98.1 percent. This was an increase of 4.6 percent over November 1953.

These increases in each of the three fields enabled the percentages to reach a combined total of 97.3 percent which was the highest overall total reached since the beginning of the fiscal year. 44/

41/ See Exhibit 35 of the 40AD & 811th ABG Hist Rpt for Nov 1953.
42/ Ltr, no file, 811th Oper Sq, Base Photo Lab, subj: "Monthly History Report," dtd 4 Jan 1954. (Exhibit 22)
43/ These percentages are based on the semi-annual maximum requirements of 65 hours proficiency, nine hours night and 10 hours hood and/or weather. Percentages were based on 30 pilots present for duty.
44/ Attachment to ltr, Base Ops, file 314.7, subj: "Section History for December 1953 (RCS: AF-DS-U3A)" undated. (Exhibit 23)

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AFR 60-2 Requirements (Cont'd)

A complete breakdown of airplane time, by type aircraft, flying time by type aircraft, flying time by organization, and instrument time are broken down in the appendix. 45/

Air Base Training Flight

Activities of the Air Base Training Flight were routine during the month of December 1953. A record of the range section; atomic, biological and chemical warfare defense training; synthetic training; physical conditioning; and basic survival was recorded and is included in the appendix. 46/

Transient Aircraft Serviced

The number of transient aircraft serviced by the 811th Operations Squadron was consistent with the yearly average for 1953. For a breakdown by number and type serviced, see the appendix. 47/

Base Flight Total Flying Hours

The total number of hours flown during December 1953 by Base Flight was 255;00. 48/ December was the 34th consecutive accident-free month for Base Flight. 49/

45/ Attachment to Ltr, Base Ops, file 314.7, subj: "Section History for December 1953 (RCS AF-DS-U3A)" undated. (See Exhibit 23)
46/ Ltr, file BOTT, 811th Oper Sq, AB Trng Flt, subj: "Section History for December 1953, dtd 4 Jan 54. (Exhibit 24)
47/ Ltr, (no file, 811th Oper Sq, subj: "Monthly Historical Rpt for December 1953," dtd 4 Jan 1953. (Exhibit 25)
48/ Ibid.
49/ Interview w/2nd Lt Dayle K Christians, Asst Opr Off Base Flight by T/Sgt. Frank F. Aldridge, Historian

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MATERIEL

IV - MATERIEL

Local Purchase Sales Store

A major change in Base Supply procedures was to be implemented with the release of Strategic Air Command Regulation 67-26. This regulation was dated 2 October 1953 and reached the field shortly thereafter. Under its provision, the responsibility of established a local purchase store for local purchase supplies was placed on the shoulders of all base commanders. 50/

Since the regulation offered a wide range of freedom in procedures for setting up and operating the local purchase sales store, the one on Turner Air Force Base was designed to be operated almost identical to the average retail store.

The simplified procedure of the sales store was designed to abolish as nearly as possible all the time consuming operations necessary under the system formerly in operation. Among these were requisitioning, storage, issue and accounting for local purchase items. It was the opinion of the base supply officer that many other advantages were to be forthcoming under the new system. Base Supply stocks of dead local purchase items were to be eliminated by substituting them for other requested items. It was planned to eliminate the build-up of excess items by careful buying, i.e., placing emphasis on the purchase of fast moving articles. The plan was to accomplish this through the effort

50/ Ltr, file BMRS, Hq 811ABG, Base Sup Ofc, subj: "Local Purchase Sales Store," dtd 13 Nov 1953. (Exhibit 26)

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of department managers who were to be in direct daily contact with customers and their needs, and stock levels. It was felt that this personal contact would go a long way in effecting the best utilization of funds. This was planned so as to conform to the present Air Force austerity program to the fullest extent. Last, and possibly primary, among the aims of the local purchase store was to be the reduction of organization supply stocks. This reduction was to be made possible in view of the fact that an excess supply on hand at all times becomes unnecessary since an abundance of supplies will be available immediately upon request.

The deadline for having the sales store in operation was set for 1 January 1954. 51/

ANFE and AOCP Rates

The aircraft-not-fully-equipped (ANFE) rate during the month of December 1953 was 58.7 percent. Although this was an increase of 5.6 percent over the previous month, it was not considered excessive nor out of line. The primary reason for the slight increase was the movement of the 508th Air Refueling Squadron with their KB-29 aircraft to this installation from Lockbourne Air Force Base, Ohio. 52/

51/ Ltr, file BMBS, Hq 811th ABG, Base Sup Ofc, subj: "Local Purchase Sales Store," dtd 13 Nov 1953. (Exhibit 26)
52/ Ltr, file BM, Hq 811th ABG, Base Mat Ofc, subj: "Historical Report for Month of Dec 1953, dtd 13 Jan 1954. (Exhibit 27)

The aircraft-out-of-commission-parts (AOCP) rate likewise took a slight rise in December 1953. The rate was 8.6 percent, which was an increase of 2.7 percent over the previous month. This small rise was also directly attributed to the arrival of the KB-29 aircraft. 53/

VDP and VDM Rates

The vehicles-deadlined-parts (VDP) rate for December 1953 compared favorable with the rate for November 1953. Although the rate rose from 2.99 percent to 3.27 percent, it was considered normal by the Base Materiel Office. 54/

The vehicles-deadlined-maintenance (VDM) rate showed a slight decrease in December when it dropped from..91 percent to .85 percent. Each of these rates will fluctuate slightly from month to month due to the availability of parts and types of breakdowns. It was the consensus of responsible material officials that these were standard rates. 55/

Main Exchange

Remodeling Main Exchange

The plans which were begun in the autumn of 1953 for remodeling the Main Exchange were finally approved during the month of December 1953. 56/

53/ Ltr, file BM, Hq 811th ABG, Base Mat Ofc, subj: "Historical Report for month of Dec 1953," dtd 13 Jan 1953. (Exhibit 27)
54/ Ibid.
55/ Ibid.
56/ Ltr, Turner AFB Base Exchange, file BMBX 160, subj: Contract for Remodeling Base Exchange, dtd 25 Jan 1954. (Exhibit 28)

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This project was to be held in abeyance until after the move of the snack bar to its new location which is to be in the building adjoining the exchange on the north side and which was formerly occupied by the Base Service Club.

New Base Filling Station

During December 1953 the Main Exchange was in receipt of a letter from Headquarters, Second Air Force which granted authority for the construction of the base filling station. 57/ With the funds allocated and the contract approved, construction was scheduled to begin in January 1954. 58/

Base Theater Air Conditioning Unit

No notification had been received by the end of this reporting period as to the final disposition of a request this headquarters sent to Headquarters Second Air Force regarding assistance in obtaining funds from the Army and Air Force Motion Picture Service for the installation of a cooling tower for the air conditioning unit presently installed in the base theater. 59 & 60/ This issue concerned the responsibility of installing the tower, i.e. whether it was the responsibility of the Base or of the using agency. According to Mr. O. H. Brimberry, the Air Installations Office has no alternative except to wait on final determination by higher headquarters. 61/ The final outcome will be reported

57/ Ltr, HQ, BMBX 160, subj: Contr for Constr of Filling Station. (Exhibit 29)
58/ See page 21 of the 40AD & 811th AFB Hist Rpt for Oct 1953.
59/ See page 27 of the 40AD & 811th ABG Hist Rpt for Nov 1953.
60/ Interview w/Mr. O.H. Brimberry, Chief Engr. AIO, Turner AFB, Ga., by T/Sgt Frank F. Aldridge, Historian.
61/ Ibid.

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when it has been resolved.

Soft Drink Vending Machines

For some time the Turner Air Force Exchange has lost a considerable amount of revenue by virtue of soft drink bottles which were either misplaced or misappropriated. 62/

In view of this circumstance, continued stress was exerted in an attempt to remedy the situation. 63/ Since this didn't solve the problem of lost bottles, it was decided to install approximately 50 soft drink paper cup vending machines at strategic locations throughout the base instead of the bottle machines which are not in operation. 64/

A contract with Drink-O-Mat Corporation of South Carolina was completed by the Base Exchange for the installation of the machines. Final installation is expected to be accomplished in January 1954. 65/

62/ Interview w/Base Exchange Officer by T/Sgt Frank F. Aldridge, Historian.

63/ For several months Colonel John J. Easton, Base Commander, had stressed at staff meetings that all personnel pay special attention to the loss of soft drink bottles. Notwithstanding the fact that a drive was initiated to salvage bottles from trash cans and other places where they might have found their way, the BX continued to lose an unreasonable amount of money in this manner.

64/ Ltr, file BMBX 160, TAFB Exchange, subj: "Contract", dtd 31 Dec 1953. (Exhibit 29)

65/ Interview w/BX Officer by T/Sgt Frank F. Aldridge, Historian.

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Bowling Alleys

Final action of construction of a six lane bowling alley at Turner Air Force Base was not acted upon as was previously expected. 66/ & 67/.

This was because the meeting of the Strategic Air Command Welfare Fund Council was postponed and was scheduled to meet again in January 1954. 68/ The personnel services officer stated that action is expected in early 1954, at which time it will be reported in the 40th Air Division and 811th Air Base Group Historical Report. 69/

Winterizing Picnic Area Pavilion

On 1 December 1953, a letter from the Base Commander to the Commander of the 40th Air Division requesting permission for a project to summarize and winterize the Turner Air Force Base picnic pavilion was indorsed to the Commander, Second Air Force. 70 & 71/

The project was to consist of sealing parts of the outside walls, installing window sash, insect screens, wood doors, and screen doors, a hot water boiler, and hot water unit heaters. The estimated cost of

66/ See page 25 of the 40AD & 811th ABG Hist Rpt for Oct 1953.
67/ See page 28 of the 40AD & 811th ABG Hist Rpt for Nov 1953.
68/ Ltr, file BPPS, Pers Serv Ofc, subj: "Personnel Services History-December 1953," dtd 7 Jan 1954. (Exhibit 15)
69/ Interview w/Base Pers Serv Off by T/Sgt.Frank F.Aldridge, Historian.
70/ Ltr, file AMAIO 600.1, Hq 811th ABG, subj: "Modification to Picnic Pavilion - Turner AF Base," dtd 1 Dec 1953. (Exhibit 30)
71/ See page 30 of 40AD & 811th ABG Hist Rpt for Nov 1953.

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the project was $5,000.00. 72/

This was broken down as follows:

Concrete and Masonry Work	$950.00
Heating	1,250.00
Carpentry	1,400.00
Electrical Work	50.00
Profit, Overhead Contingency	1,350.00
	$ 5,000.00

The application for a special grant was forwarded from Headquarters Second Air Force to Headquarters Strategic Air Command with a recommendation of approval in the amount of $1,000.00 instead of the requested $5,000.00. It was stated that this was the maximum amount authorized by the current policies of the Strategic Air Command Welfare Fund Council for the improvement of picnic grounds. 73/

Upon the advice of Headquarters Second Air Force, it was stated that, if approved, the amount of $1,000.00 would be used to purchase equipment for the picnic pavilion. 74/

A telephone call regarding the expenditure of the $1,000.00 was received from Headquarters Second Air Force on 16 December 1953. The Personnel Services Office was asked to itemize what the money was to be spent for, in case it was finally approved. Therefore, a teletype-message was sent to that headquarters stating that the following list

72/ See page 30 of 40AD & 811th ABG Hist Rpt for Nov 1953.
73/ 2nd Ind to Ltr, file AMAIO 600.1, Hq 811th ABG, subj: "Modification to Picnic Pavilion - Turner AF Base," dtd 1 Dec 1953. (Exhibit 30)
74/ 3rd Ind to ltr, file AMAIO 600.1, Hq 811th ABG, subj: "Modification to Picnic Pavilion - Turner AFB, dtd 1 Dec 1953. (Exhibit 30)

of equipment was to be purchased. 75/

Building 12 picnic tables	$400.00
Painting tables	100.00
Purchasing of awning type umbrellas	200.00
Purchase of a public address system	300.00
	$1,000.00

Final approval or disapproval had not been received at this headquarters by the end of this reporting period.

Air Conditioning New Service Club Building

The plan for air conditioning the new service club building was still pending in December 1953. This action was held up until the Army and Air Force Exchange Service took final action on the purchase of the air conditioning equipment installed in the building formerly occupied by the service club. This building is to be utilized as a Base Exchange Snack Bar. 76/

75/ Msg, file BPPS 855, dtd 17 Dec 1953 fr Comdr Air Div 40 to Comdr, 2AF, Barksdale AFB, La. (Exhibit 31)

76/ See pages 29 and 30 of the 40AD & 811th ABG Hist Rpt for Nov 1953.

Wearing of USAF Uniform

On 25 December 1953 a message was received from Headquarters Second Air Force which quoted a message from Headquarters Strategic Air Command concerning the wearing of the USAF uniform. 77/

Since the blue uniform is a mark of distinction which identifies the wearer as a member of an important United States organization, it was believed that by wearing the uniform more often to off-duty activities, such as the base theater, clubs etc., would result in an increased amount of "esprit de corps" and a general uplifting of dignity toward the uniform. 78/

The new program was implemented immediately upon receipt of the message. In keeping with that, the Base Personnel Office disseminated the contents 29 December 1953. 79/ This was immediately after the receipt of another message from Headquarters Second Air Force which clarified some points which were in doubt. 80/

The new concept calls for wearing the appropriate Air Force uniform at all times while on an Air Force installation. With a small number of exceptions, e.g., while participating in social functions at the picnic area, during recreation at the swimming pools, and while resting off duty at the barracks, the class "A" uniform was to be worn after 1900 hours.

77/ Msg 2ARCS 3052, fr COMDEAF 2 Barksdale AFB, La. dtd 24 Dec 1953. (Exhibit 32)
78/ Interview w/Base Adj by T/Sgt. Frank F Aldridge, Historian.
79/ Ltr, file BP 421.1, Hq 811th ABG, subj: "Wearing of USAF Uniform," dtd 29 Dec 1953. (Exhibit 33)
80/ Msg, 2AFHA 3294, fr COMDEAF 2Barksdale AFB, La., dtd 29 Dec 1953. (Exhibit 34)

A full report of the progress of this program will be included in the January 1954 40th Air Division and 811th Air Base Group Historical Report.

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SPECIAL PROJECTS

VI - SPECIAL PROJECTS

Community Chest Campaign for 1953

December 1953 saw the successful conclusion of the 1953 Community Chest Campaign for 1953. Donations by Turner Air Force Base personnel totalled $4,389.05. 81/

This figure was considered excellent in that individual donations in 1953 amounted to nearly $1,200.00 more than they were in the 1952 campaign. 82/ This figure is exceedingly high when it is acknowledged that there was an increase of nearly 25 cents for each officer and airman assigned to the base.

Lieutenant Colonel Leaford Bearskin, deputy base commander, who was project officer for the base in the 1953 Community Chest Campaign, was highly gratified with the results. 83/

81/ Memo, File DCF, Cr Turner AFB Finance Off, subj: "1953 Community Chest Fund Donations," to Comdr 40AD, dtd 5 Jan 1954. (Exhibit 35)
82/ Rpt, subj: "United Sharing Appeal," dtd Nov 192." (Exhibit 36)
83/ Interview w/Lt Col Leaford Bearskin, deputy Comdr, by T/Sgt. Frank F. Aldridge, Historian.

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COMMUNITY RELATIONS

VII - COMMUNITY RELATIONS

Community Integration

Community integration of personnel of Turner Air Force Base was the subject of a report submitted to Headquarters Second Air Force in December 1953. The report was for the calendar year 1953. Public relations can be judged by the degree of integration of military personnel into the regular activities of the nearby community. 84/

Crash Standing Operation Procedure

The Information Services Office perfected a new crash standing operating procedure (SOP) for public information purposes. It was based on the one currently in effect at Lake Charles Air Force Base. During this reporting period the SOP was being coordinated with the interested staff sections. 85/

84/ Ltr, no file, Hq Turner AFB, ISO, no subject, to Lt. Col. John P. Spaulding, Sp Asst to the Comdr, Hq 2AF, Barksdale AFB, La, fr Sgt. Erskine C. Currie, NCOIC - ISO, w/narrative rpt as Incl 1. (Exhibit 37)

85/ Aircraft Crash SOP, ISO Turner AFB, Ga. (Exhibit 38)

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The Crash SOP places the full responsibility on ISO personnel for release of information reference accidents, regardless of regular job assignments in the office, and all personnel will aid in the various duties involved in case of an accident.

One ISO man will depart for the scene as soon as notification is received, at least one will remain in the main office to answer the telephone, and others will go to base operations and the hospital for additional information.

The man going to the scene will obtain all information possible and relay it to the main office by the most expeditious means; bar news representatives from the vicinity until security officer in charge ascertains the t there is no classified equipment in view, after which he will assist newsmen in obtaining all unclassified facts and pictures they desire.

Under no circumstances will the news representatives be forcibly prohibited from gathering news or photographs, but if classified matter is present and cannot be covered or removed, than photographers will be reminded that such pictures taken without consent of military authorities is violation of federal law.

The ISO man remaining in the office will keep a log of information received about the crash and released to news media. This log will reflect exact wording of information received and sent.

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Information released will be substantially as follows: (1) statement that accident occurred; (2) Location and time of accident; (3) names and addresses of casualties as provided for in AFR 190-10, which provides for notification of next of kin prior to release; (4) type of aircraft (except in cases where it would violate security) and (5) a statement that the plane was on a routine or other un-classified flight.

Exceptions to number (3) above: if military personnel figure in accidents involving civilian and military autos, trains, commercial or private airplanes the names of military personnel should be released immediately upon identification. If accidents involve military aircraft causing civilian casualties or appreciable damage to property, names of military personnel should be released immediately upon identification.

The ISO Crash SOP also explains the minor variations in procedure if crash occurs on or off duty; on or off base. 86/

86/ Aircraft SOP, ISO Turner AFB, Ga. (Exhibit 38)

ROSTER OF KEY PERSONNEL

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As of 31 December 1953

Headquarters 40th Air Division

Brigadier General Thayer S. Olds	Division Commander
Colonel Joe P. Williams	Director of Personnel (Prim dy) Executive Officer (Add dy)
Colonel William D. Dunham	Director of Operations
Lt. Col. George K. Sykes	Operations Staff Officer (TDY - 31st SFW, Japan)
Major Harry P. Wagner	Operations Staff Officer
Colonel Albert V. Kanig	Director of Materiel
Lt. Col. Frank B. Stuart	Chief, Aircraft Maintenance Branch
1st Lt. Ben F. Sands	Aide-de-camp

811th Air Base Group

Colonel John J. Easton	Base Commander
Lt. Col. Leaford Bearskin	Deputy Commander
Major Edmond L. Fortin	Base Adjutant
Captain John E. Schnell	Base Personnel Officer
Major William F. Kahley	Base Operations and Training Officer
Lt. Col. Fred L. Houck	Base Manpower Officer
Lt. Col. Armon C. Guthrie	Base Materiel Officer
Major John J. Smith	Base Comptroller

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Roster of Key Personnel - 811th Air Base Group (Cont'd)

1st Lt. Louis V. di Donato	Staff Judge Advocate
Major (Chaplain) Luther W. McArthur	Base Chaplain
2nd Lt. Charles S. Wright	Base Information Services Officer (TDY- 31st SFW, Japan)
Major William F. Kahley	Comdr, 811th Operations Sq
Major Bruce B. Wilson	Comdr, 811th Supply Sq
Major Carl H. Neiswender	Comdr, 811th Motor Vehicle Sq
Major Robert I. DeWitt	Comdr, 811th Installations Sq
Captain J. W. Henderson	Comdr, 811th Air Police Sq
2nd Lt. Lee R. McNair	Comdr, 811th Food Service Sq
Major Vernie G. Black	Comdr, Headquarters Squadron Section, 811th AB Group

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811th Operations Squadron
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HEADQUARTERS
40TH AIR DIVISION (SAC)
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

GENERAL ORDERS)
NUMBER 38)

2 December 1953

ASSUMPTION OF COMMAND.--Under the provisions of Air Force Regulation 24-1, the undersigned assumes command of the 40th Air Division during the temporary absence of BRIGADIER GENERAL THAYERS S OLDS 372A.

Robert C Bagby

ROBERT C BAGBY
Colonel, USAF
Commanding

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HEADQUARTERS
811TH AIR BASE GROUP (SAC)
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

GENERAL ORDERS)
NUMBER 34)

1 December 1953

ASSUMPTION OF COMMAND

Pursuant to authority contained in Air Force Regulation 24-1, the undersigned assumes command of the 811th Air Base Group during the temporary absence of COLONEL JOHN J. EASTON, 4051A. Auth: Par 1 GO #41 Headquarters Second AF dated 30 November 1953.

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HEADQUARTERS, 40TH AIR DIVISION
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

BPM 380.01

SUBJECT: Security Indoctrination Program

TO: See Distribution

1. It has been brought to the attention of this Headquarters, through the medium of a recent penetration test, that there is a decided weakness within our security system. It is apparent that the greatest weakness is within the security indoctrination program. All persons assigned to Turner Air Force Base will be re-indoctrinated under the criteria prescribed in SAC Reg. 205-16, dated 15 May 1952, outlined as Phase I.

2. The following schedule will be adhered to:

a. All personnel assigned to this base prior to 1 December 1953 will be indoctrinated or re-indoctrinated by the Security Officer of the unit to which they are assigned. This action to be completed by 1 February 1954.

b. Those personnel having been assigned to the base from 1 December 1953, will be indoctrinated or re-indoctrinated by the Base Training Flight through the medium of two (2) programs monthly. Unit Security Officers will be responsible to ascertain that all newly arrived personnel are present for these lectures in order that they may be qualified under the above quoted regulation.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMANDER:

/s/ Edmond L. Fortin
/t/ EDMOND L. FORTIN
Major, USAF
Adjutant

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SAMUEL C. CRAIG
1st Lt., USAF

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HEADQUARTERS 40TH AIR DIVISION
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

BOT 380 30 November 1953

SUBJECT: Security Failures

TO: See Distribution

1. Inclosed for your information are two copies of a Headquarters USAF publication presenting actual examples of and possible corrective action for the eight (8) most prevalent types of security failures experienced throughout the Air Force.

2. This information was compiled from the results of security inspections and internal defense tests conducted by the OSI.

3. It is directed that this information be disseminated, through the security education program, to all personnel in the Squadron on Saturday 5 December 1953.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMANDER:

Edmond L Fortin

EDMOND L FORTIN
Major, USAF
Adjutant

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TYPE OF SECURITY FAILURE #1. The disclosure of classified security information to persons without a right and need to know.

a. ACTUAL EXAMPLES:

(1) "One airman voluntarily told the 'saboteur' that the commercial power was off and it was necessary to use the auxiliary power system."

(2) "An airman voluntarily told the agent that the base was on a forty-percent alert."

(3) "Detailed information regarding activities within the _____ Command area was furnished to persons without establishing their identity."

(4) "A crew chief and a guard divulged classified information with regard to overseas troop and aircraft movements."

b. POSSIBLE CORRECTIVE ACTION:

(1) Training program requirement: Safeguarding of security information.

(a) The safeguarding of classified security information is an important segment of the over-all anti-subversive plan. Classified military information will not be given out except on the basis of a right and need to know. All personnel handling classified information must be made aware of the foregoing facts. Security education sufficient to insure this must be accomplished.

(2) Offenders should be subjected to disciplinary action, proportionate to the gravity of the security violations committed.

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TYPE OF SECURITY FAILURE #2. Failure to scrutinize the pass or badge carefully enough to determine its validity and that the identifying data thereon conforms to that of the bearer.

a. ACTUAL EXAMPLES:

(1) "Sabotage' of targets within the restricted area was accomplished because of the easily duplicated restricted area pass and cursory examination of same."

(2) "Two agents in officer uniform gained access to restricted flight line with poorly forged identification badges."

(3) "An agent was permitted to enter main gate of a restricted area after the guard examined his fake line pass, bearing labeled photograph of one person and made out to another person in 'Ground Safety.'"

(4) "'Saboteurs' wearing fake line passes were permitted to enter flight line restricted area gate."

b. POSSIBLE CORRECTIVE ACTION:

(1) Training program requirement: Detailed knowledge of all base restricted area passes.

(a) There is no badge or pass as yet devised which cannot be duplicated. However, the requirement does exist for guards to scrutize carefully restricted area passes or badges in order to determine that they are authentic as to data contained thereon. Sentries should be trained to recognize a facsimile of a pass unless such facsimile is a perfect duplication. The foregoing calls for a careful inspection of the identification media to determine its authenticity, applicability for area where offered for admittance, and that the picture and other identifying data thereon correspond to that of the bearer. Multiple pass systems, group recognition procedures or personnel recognition should be resorted to where possible. Where the requirement exists for utilization of a single badge or pass system, further identification should be made of the individual as he approaches items of vital importance within a restricted area.

(2) SOP item: Each pass will be carefully inspected to determine its authenticity, applicability to area where offered for admittance, and that the picture thereon is that of the bearer. When in doubt, DD2AF Form or other media of identification should be examined.

(3) Provision for a pass that is difficult to duplicate.

TYPE OF SECURITY FAILURE #3. Failure to detain unauthorized persons who have attempted to enter, or have been discovered within, a restricted area.

a. ACTUAL EXAMPLES:

(1) "One guard refused to allow an unauthorized person access to B-29 aircraft but did not detain him or request any identification, thereby allowing him to proceed to other aircraft."

(2) "Two agents were refused access to the flight line because they lacked restricted area badges. These agents were not detained and hence were able to enter the flight line via the front entrance to the operations building without being required to display any identification.

(3) "Guard personnel would not allow a package to be placed near aircraft, nor would they do it themselves; however, no attempt was made to detain or identify bearer of package."

(4) "Guards on aircraft patrol challenged persons coming into their area, but did not detain or identify them before telling them to leave area."

b. POSSIBLE CORRECTIVE ACTION:

(1) Training program requirement: Detention of unauthorized persons; when to detain; and action to be taken.

(a) During the course of successful penetration attempts, the agents were, at one time or another, in a position where apprehension was imminent. Through the use of cover stories, however, they were almost always able to leave without being identified. In cases where they were asked to produce identification and were unable to do so, they were merely denied access. They were thus given freedom to devise other means of access and complete their "sabotage" mission.

(b) In every case in which a person is found to be in a restricted area, without authority, or attempting to enter without authority, he must be detained. All sentries must be made to understand that their only power of decision is as to the authenticity and applicability of the credentials or identification offered for ingress or egress; after making this decision, they have but two courses of action open to them: Either to permit the person to pass, or to detain him for higher authority.

(2) SOP item: When a person is discovered within a restricted area, or has attempted to enter one without proper identification or authorization, he will be detained for higher authority for determination as to disposition. (Par 9b, AFR 205-5).

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TYPE OF SECURITY FAILURE #4. Failure to conduct a preliminary search of a suspect immediately upon apprehension.

a. ACTUAL EXAMPLES:

(1) "After apprehension, the agent was never searched and was able to dispose of simulated explosives while under detention by a guard."

(2) "'Saboteur' not properly guarded or thoroughly searched, when apprehended."

(3) "After apprehension, Air Police failed to search suspect and discover simulated explosives on his person, thereby allowing vulnerability survey to continue unhampered."

(4) "Search of apprehended 'saboteur' was not thorough enough. He was thus permitted to retain a caliber .38 pistol on his person."

b. POSSIBLE CORRECTIVE ACTION:

(1) Training program requirement: When and how to search; preliminary search; thorough search, etc.

(a) The purpose of a preliminary search is to discover and remove weapons or items which can be used to further a sabotage attempt. Failure to remove weapons may mean that the sentry will be shot or otherwise injured as he removes the individual from the restricted area or while en route to Air Police Headquarters. Failure to discover and remove simulated explosives or other devices of sabotage may result in further sabotage action by the individual detained even though he is under guard. The importance of conducting a preliminary search immediately upon detention must be emphasized. The necessity for a final thorough search as soon as possible must also be brought to the attention of personnel concerned.

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TYPE OF SECURITY FAILURE # 5. Gullibility displayed in accepting things at face value.

a. ACTUAL EXAMPLES:

(1) "Officers failed to question person loitering in the vicinity of restricted buildings 'A' and 'B'."

(2) "Two officers of the base failed to question persons getting out of vehicle trunk."

(3) "Agents were able to 'destroy' a B-36 by having the duty officer place a charge resembling a box of spare parts near the plane."

(4) "Three badges were issued to agent on presentation of officer's I.D. card without additional identification."

b. POSSIBLE CORRECTIVE ACTION:

(1) Training program requirement: Methods employed by enemy agents and "saboteurs," security duties and responsibilities of all military personnel, regardless of rank or duty assignment.

(a) Definite criteria are established for access to a restricted area. Definitive procedures for suspect personnel loitering in the vicinity of a restricted area must also be established. A satisfactory method of identification of persons who are seeking restricted area badges must be established. An authority must be nominated to determine who will receive such badges. The foregoing should be covered in appropriate base regulations. It has been noted on many occasions that persons are extremely gullible and will for the asking place boxes or items aboard aircraft without knowing what the boxes or items contain. Obviously this is an easy method by which a saboteur can place a time-bomb or an incendiary aboard an aircraft. In this instance, he does not have to penetrate the restricted area. Obliging sentries or other duty personnel accomplish the objectives of the saboteur for him.

(2) Promulgation and enforcement of regulation governing the issue of restricted area passes and badges.

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TYPE OF SECURITY FAILURE #6. Failure to determine the true identity of suspect personnel in restricted areas.

a. ACTUAL EXAMPLES:

(1) "Personnel not identified are allowed by guards to approach dangerously close without challenge within a restricted area."

(2) "A guard permitted the rations supply truck to enter a particular area without confirming identification of driver and checking trip tickets."

(3) "The agents were able to photograph several aircraft, after they ostensibly obtained permission by telephone."

(4) "One guard refused to allow an unauthorized person access to B-29 aircraft but did not detain him or request any identification, thereby allowing him to proceed to other aircraft."

b. POSSIBLE CORRECTIVE ACTION:

(1) Training program requirement: Restricted area pass system; challenging; confirming identification when in doubt.

(a) The purpose of the challenge is to cause suspect or unknown persons to halt and to identify themselves to the satisfaction of the sentry. It is dangerous to allow such persons to assume a position from which they may attack the sentry. The method of challenging should be explained and demonstrated until all security personnel are fully conversant.

(b) The circulation control system breaks down as soon as one unidentified individual comes into a restricted area. Sentries must identify completely all persons allowed ingress to a restricted area and must further insure that vehicles entering the area are subjected to an examination for security purposes.

(c) Personnel taking photographs within a restricted area must be positively identified and possess credible authority for such action. In no instance, should a sentry accept telephonic authorization as such authority could come from a person planted at the telephone for this purpose.

(d) All unidentified persons must be positively identified or detained and turned over to proper authority. Temporary apprehension of a saboteur is useless if he is to be turned loose to accomplish his sabotage action elsewhere. The need for detention of suspect personnel cannot be over-emphasized.

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TYPE OF SECURITY FAILURE #7. Failure to secure adequately materials used in making passes and to secure passes not in use.

a. ACTUAL EXAMPLES:

(1) "Flight line passes not in the physical possession of the person to whom issued are not adequately safeguarded."

(2) "Materials for preparation of identification badges were not adequately secured and were readily accessible to unauthorized personnel."

b. POSSIBLE CORRECTIVE ACTION:

(1) Promulgation and enforcement of regulation prescribing security procedures for the handling of passes and materials used in the making of passes.

(a) It has been noted that many fine circulation control systems break down because the correct degree of security is not enforced on flight line passes when not in use or over materials which are used in the preparation of the badge or pass. Obviously, if an individual leaves a flight line pass on his working clothes in an unsecured barracks, a saboteur can easily obtain the pass. Likewise, unless the materials used in making the pass are secure at all times, the job of the saboteur is made easy for he has access to the material which permits him to gain entrance to a restricted area. Each base should have suitable regulations prescribing security procedures for the handling of passes or badges, of security materials, and for the security of a pass or badge when in use and when not in use. These regulations must stipulate the immediate action to be taken in the event of loss of passes or materials used in the making of passes.

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TYPE OF SECURITY FAILURE #8. Failure to insure that all operating procedures for security are sound.

a. ACTUAL EXAMPLES:

(1) "Gasoline storage area and refueling units were easily sabotaged."

(2) "Penetration of the Inflight Kitchen resulted in the simulated injection of poisonous substances into food used in inflight lunches. Although agents were apprehended, no precautionary measures were taken to examine the food."

(3) "The squadron maintenance officer allowed two (2) agents to inspect all operational aircraft on basis of forged TWX. No check was made to determine authenticity of TWX."

(4) "Apprehension of unauthorized persons in restricted area did not jeopardize the sabotage mission by causing an alert search for other intruders or sabotage devices on the base."

(5) "Base Sabotage Alert Plan not implemented upon detection of simulated sabotage devices."

b. POSSIBLE CORRECTIVE ACTION:

(1) A thorough security survey of the installation should be made to establish adequate security procedures for each activity.

(2) SOP item: The Base Sabotage Alert Plan shall be placed in effect immediately upon the discovery of unauthorized persons or sabotage devices in or around restricted areas.

(3) Training program requirement: Periodic review and actual practice alerts to insure workability of the Base Sabotage Alert Plan.

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HEADQUARTERS
40TH AIR DIVISION
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

BOF 353 9 December 1953

SUBJECT: Unit Security Officers Check List

TO: See Distribution.

It is requested that the attached Unit Security Officers Check List be utilized to the fullest extent in the implementation of the current security program.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMANDER:

Edmond L. Fortin

EDMOND L. FORTIN
Major, USAF
Adjutant

1 Incl
Unit Security Officer
Check List

DISTRIBUTION:
2 on unit assigned
& attached 31st SFW,
508th SFW & 811th ABGp

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UNIT SECURITY OFFICER CHECK LIST

1. Are security policies within the squadron established in writing?

2. Are files of existing security regulations pertinent to the duties of Unit Security Officer maintained?

   a. AF Regulations and Letters in 205 Series.

   b. SAC Regs and Letters in 205 Series.

   c. 2AF Regs and Letters in 205 Series.

3. Are frequent checks made to insure that classified matter within the unit is adequately stored and transmitted?

4. Are current files on the clearance status of all personnel military or civilian assigned or attached to the unit properly maintained?

5. Are Security Indoctrination Lectures under Phase I of SAC Reg 205-16 being given to all assigned or attached military and civilian personnel in the unit?

6. Are adequate records being maintained on the individual status of progress in Security Indoctrination?

7. Are all requests for security clearances for personnel within the unit fully substantiated?

8. Are necessary remarks regarding check of personnel records and status of security indoctrination included on requests for security clearance?

9. Is unit censorship training program being conducted?

10. Is the Unit Security Officer familiar with the provisions of all security directives in order to advise and assist the unit commander on all matters pertaining to security within the unit?

11. Are tests on Safeguarding of Military Information (AF Forms 184 and 184A) being conducted for all personnel in the unit and records of tests being maintained there?

12. Is assistance in preparing, conducting and reporting of base security inspections, directed by competent authority effected?

13. Are competent orders published to substantiate assignment of Unit Security Officer?

14. Is there a folder or file on the status of Security Officer functions within the unit maintained?

15. Is the Security Force Commander (FM) contacted for technical assistance or advice?

Incl #1

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MANPOWER AND ORGANIZATION SECTION
HEADQUARTERS 811TH AIR BASE GROUP
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

5 January 1953

SUBJECT: Historical Report for the Month of December 1953 - Manpower and Organization

TO: Base Historian
Turner AF Base
Albany, Georgia

EXTRACT

1. A general indoctrination, covering the USAF Work Measurement System, was given to Air Base Group Officers and Squadron Commanders at a Staff meeting 8 December 1953. Headquarters Strategic Air Command designated the Food Service Squadron, the Supply Squadron and the Air Police Squadron as the functional areas to be measured. A seminar was held on 10 December 1953 for the purpose of orienting the Food Service Squadron and Air Police Squadron supervisory personnel concerning the Work Measurement System, which is to be implemented on Turner Air Force Base before 15 March 1954. AFM 25-4, USAF Work Measurement System, was distributed to key personnel present at this meeting. A general indoctrination meeting was held with the Consolidated Base Supply supervisory personnel on 14 December 1953. AFM 25-4 was distributed and instructions were given as to the inclusive pages to be read and studied before the next meeting, which was tentatively set for the first week in January 1954. Meetings were held with the Food Service Squadron on 17 December 1953 and the Air Police Squadron on 18 December 1953 to discuss Work Measurement Form 522, Organization and Worl Unit Analysis, and to resolve problems relating to the system. Future meetings will be scheduled with each squadron to further the process of implementing the program.

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11. Previous to 30 November, Quarterly Management Improvement Reports were submitted by all Strategic Air Command bases. Second Air Force Letter 25-1 amends this reporting procedure, wherein semi-annual reports will be submitted covering the six (6) months period ending 30 November and 31 May. The initial report under this system was made as of 30 November 1953.

A CERTIFIED TRUE EXTRACT COPY:

SAMUEL C. CRAIG
1st Lt., USAF

/s/ Fred L. Houck
/t/ FRED L. HOUCK
Lt. Col., USAF
Base Manpower Officer

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31st Medical Gp	35	27		23			1	3	104	112	5	98	5			2	12	
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466th Strat Ftr Sq	36	35	2	28	1		1	7	56	80	9	77	2			4	6	
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/R E S T R I C T E D/ /RADNOTE/ FOR KANIG MATERIEL FROM MCCOY MATERIAL//
REURRADNOTE 21 OCT 53 REGARDING MAINT PERS, THE POLICY ESTABLISHED BY 2AF REG 35-3 IS A POLICY OF HIGHER HQ. INCREASINGLY MORE EMPHASIS IS BEING PLACED ON ADVANCE COURSES OF INSTRUCTION AS IS EVIDENCED BY THE INCREASED 7 LEVEL COURSES ESTABLISHED WITHIN AIR TNG COMD. THE ONLY SOLUTION THAT I SEE TO THE PROBLEM IS TO SEND YOUR PER TO THE ADVANCED TECHNICAL TNG SCHOOLS. THESE SCHOOLS ARE TDY AND QUOTAS ARE AVAL. I BELEIEVE YOU WILL BENEFIT BY ESTABLISHING A PROGRAM WHERBY YOU HAVE A CERTAIN SMALL PERCENTAGE OF UR PERS AWAY TO SCHOOL AT ALL TIMES TAKING ADVANTAGE OF THIS TECHINCAL TRAINING. WE CANNOT WAIVE OR RESCIND THE REQMTS ESTABLISHED IN THE ABOVE CITED DIRECTIVE. NEW SUBJECT. REUR

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RADNOTE, 22 OCT 53, ON SUPPLY OFFS AND AGE PERS, THERE IS A CRITICAL COMD WIDE SHORTAGE OF SUPPLY OFFS AND THERE IS NO IM RELIEF IN SIGHT. WE HAVE REQUISITONED MEN TO COVER ALL CURRENT AND PROJECTED SHORTAGES. AS AN ALTERNATIVE, WE WILL ATTEMPT TO DIVERT CERTAIN SINGLE RATED PLTS ABOVE THE GRADE OF 1ST LT TO TURNER WHO CAN BE USED AS SUPPLY OFFICERS IN AN ADDITIOANL DUTY STATUS. WE BELIEVE THIS IS JUSTIFIABLE UNDER TH PRESENT CIRCUMSTANCES. A SIMILAR SITUATION EXISTS IN THE A&E FIELDS, HOWEVER A REVIEW OF UR MANNING INDICATES THAT UR STA IS MANNED ABOVE THE COMD AVERAGE IN BOTH AIRMEN AND OFFS IN THIS FLD. THERE IS VERY LITTLE RELIEF IN SIGHT IN THE IM FUTURE IN THESE FLDS, ALSO.
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HEADQUARTERS 40TH AIR DIVISION
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

BP 220 7 December 1953

SUBJECT: Separation Of Airmen

TO: See Distribution

1. The following message, 2AFPRA 2902, dated 24 November 1953, received from Second Air Force is disseminated for your information and guidance:

The following message from headquarters Strategic Air Command DFPAC 48445 dated 20 November 1953 is quoted for information and guidance "One of the objectives of the airmen early release program is elimination from the service of certain airmen who fall in one of the following categories: A. Marginal producer. B. No growth potential. C. Low aptitude. Airmen early release authorization expires on 31 December 1953. This means we must explore other avenues in which to channel these sub-standard airmen out of the military service. By continuously striving to improve the caliber of assigned airmen and screening to effect release of sub-standard airmen we will make room for the more highly qualified airmen necessary for maintenance of our equipment which is increasing in complexity. It is recommended that commanders within all echelons of your command become conversant with AFR 39-16 as amended by USAF message AFOMO-4BC 9490M 4 November 1953 and transmitted by my message DFPS 40815 dated 14 November 1953. These directives if properly applied become a valuable tool to enable the commander to accomplish the separation of sub-standard airmen who do not materially benefit the air force or the mission of this command."

BY ORDER OF THE COMMANDER:

JOSEPH E. ZUNO
1st Lt., USAF
Asst Adjutant

DISTRIBUTION:
Comdr, 31st SFW
Comdr, 508th SFW
Comdr, All Asgd & Atchd Units 811th ABGp

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HEADQUARTERS 40TH AIR DIVISION
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

BP 220 7 December 1953

SUBJECT: Early Release of Airmen

TO: See Distribution

1. The following message, DPPAC 43249, dated 25 November 1953, received from Strategic Air Command is disseminated for your information and guidance:

DPPAC 43249. My message DPPAC 40582, 13 November 1953. Review of 15 November 1953 RCS 4-AF-P61 section echo reports indicates this command to be approximately 100 airmen short of meeting quota set for release of airmen with normal expiration term of service in fiscal year 1955. However, in consideration of approaching holiday season you are authorized to implement part 4, my message DPPAC 28131 relative to release of following category of airmen:

A. Category 1 airmen with normal expiration term of service prior to 1 July 54.

B. Category 2 airmen with out regard to fiscal year of normal expiration term of service.

C. Category 3 airmen with normal expiration term of service prior to 1 July 54.

Selection criteria will be identical to that being utilized in accordance with part 3, my message DPPAC 28131, as clarified by my message DPPAC 34014 except for fiscal year of normal expiration term of service. As result of failure to meet the quota set for fiscal year 1955 expiration term of service, priority for early release will be given those airmen with normal expiration term of service during fiscal year 1955. Other administrative and reporting instructions contained in above cited messages apply equally to this phase of early release

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2. Airmen eligible for early release under provisions of above cited message will be reported to this headquarters, Attn: Base Personnel Officer not later than 1200 hours, 10 December 1953. Reports will include rank, name, AFSN, AFSC, and normal date of separation.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMANDER:

Joseph E. Zuro 1st Lt

JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF
Asst Adjutant

DISTRIBUTION:
Comdr, 31st SFW
Comdr, 508th SFW
Comdr, All Asgd & Atchd Units 811th ABGp

HEADQUARTERS 40TH AIR DIVISION
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

BP 220

16 December 1953

SUBJECT: Erroneous Separation of Airmen

TO: See Distribution

1. The following message, 2AFPRA 1273 dated 10 December 1953, received from Headquarters Second Air Force is disseminated for your information and guidance:

2AFPRA 1273. The following message from Headquarters United States Air Force, undated, is for information and necessary action: "From AFPMP-4BC 9560M.

a. Review of records of separated airmen received in this headquarters reveals a high incidence of errors in separation of Regular Air Force Airmen. Airmen who have reserve service obligations under Universal Military Training and Service Act as outlined in Air Force Regulation 45-35 are being discharged contrary to the requirements of this regulation. Also airmen who do not have reserve obligations under Universal Military Training and Service Act are being released from active duty and transferred to the Air Force Reserve.

b. These errors result from inadvertence on the part of personnel accomplishing separation, or erroneous interpretation of provisions of Air Force Regulation 45-35, under paragraph 3c, Air Force Regulation 45-35 the eight year obligation applied only to initial repeat initial enlistment after 19 June 1951, excluding airmen with prior service. The five year obligation attached to certain airmen who enlisted during period 24 June 1948 through 19 June 1951, who serve less than three years, as outlined in paragraph 3a Air Force Regulation 45-35. Reserve obligations are also explained in part 4, message AFPMP-4 ALZICOM 139/53, 7 August 1953, and many of the errors have been made in separating airmen under this message.

c. It is imperative that the records of airmen already separated be corrected. In the past this headquarters has attempted to make the necessary corrections. The most common errors have been brought to your attention in previous messages in an attempt to preclude recurrence. Errors in separation continue to occur and this headquarters can no longer continue to correct the records of these airmen.

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d. Effective immediately, the records of all airmen who have been erroneously separated will be forwarded to major commanders for necessary action to accomplish the correction. This action will pin-point the trouble areas and enable you to take appropiate corrective measures. Immediate action should be taken to preclude subsequent erroneous separations of this nature."

BY ORDER OF THE COMMANDER:

JOESPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF
Asst Adjutant

DISTRIBUTION:
Comdr, 31st SFW
Comdr, 508th SFW
Comdr, All Asgd & Atchd Units 811th ABGp

UNIT HISTORY
December 1953
Ground Safety Department
Turner Air Force Base, Georgia

5 January 1953

Narrative:

The month of December 1953 was a very good one for Ground Safety with the exception of one very serious accident. Two injuries that occurred in November to the 31st Strategic Fighter Wing were reported and included in December totals. Totals for December showed five disabling injuries with 156 days lost for a military rate of 3.79 and a cost of $4,943, or $7.09 per capita for the month. There were no reportable civilian injuries or motor vehicle accidents.

Stress was laid on an accident free holiday period, especially on driving accidents. Col. John J. Easton addressed the assembled 831th Air Base Group. Mr. Samuel Z. Orgel talked to the 508th Strategic Fighter Wing in two echelons. As a result, no motor vehicle injuries were reported for the month. Fine cooperation of the Base Newspaper, "Fighters-in-Formation", contributed much to the result.

An explosion and fire occurred at pit # 17, the defueling pit of the Rapid Refueling System. The system was not working correctly, overflowing into the defueling pit due to the failure of a pressure release valve. An Airman set an "explosion proof" motor on a dolly just above 3 inches of fuel in the bottom of the pit to pump the fuel back into the system. Just after he started the electric motor, the fumes exploded and caught fire. He was badly burned; his rescuer was mildly burned. New procedures are being written and evaluated to cover the defueling pit operation.

A study of 1953 records, while not complete, shows the following:
Military accident rate reduced from 8.41 in 1952 to 4.39 in 1953.
Civilian accident rate the same for both years, 3.52.
Vehicle accident rate reduced from 0.77 in 1952 to 0.65 in 1953.
Fatalities, 3 in 1953 against none in 1952.
Cost of accidents, due mainly to the three fatalities, was $144,274. in 1953 against $65,712. in 1952.
Cost per capita was $17.79 in 1952, $32.38 in 1953.
To the first of January 1954, consecutive days without a fatality totaled 186. Injuries from motor vehicle accidents declined in 1953. There were 29 injuries during 1952 against 22 during 1953. Since this category comprises the greatest area of loss, this may be considered a noteworthy gain.
There was no accidental ground damage to aircraft at this base during 1953.

Samuel Z. Orgel
SAMUEL Z. ORGEL
Ground Safety Officer

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MONTHLY HISTORY

CIVILIAN PERSONNEL OFFICE

DECEMBER 1953

The mission of the Civilian Personnel Office is to administer personnel policies, programs, procedures, and techniques pertaining to civilian personnel. The major activities of the office in the fulfillment of the mission are: Administration, Classification, Training, Employee Utilization, Pay Roll and Local Board of Civil Service Examiners.

The Civilian Personnel Office accomplished a total of 194 work units for the month. This included interviewing 50 applicants for employment; reviewing the files on 9 employees considered for promotion, reassignment or changes to lower grade; 1 training session; in addition the administrative section processed 23 personnel actions. Total authorized strength remained at 281 employees. Assigned strength was 280.

Regular classification surveys were conducted in several organizations scheduled for the month. In addition to current surveys, initial contacts were made with operating officials of organizations scheduled for future surveys and closing conferences were held to complete pending surveys.

Notice was received from Army-Air Force Wage Board in Washington that a locality wage survey is scheduled for this area. Turner Air Force Base and the U. S. Marine Corps Depot of Supplies will participate in this joint survey. The first meeting of the Board was scheduled for 5 January 1954. Mr. Edward K. Lawless from the Washington office is Chairman of the Survey Board.

Training during the month consisted of three hour orientation for approximately 20 new employees. This orientation covered all phases and conditions of civilian employment; reviewed regulations and procedures. In addition to personnel

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technicians in the Civilian Personnel Office conducting lectures, Mr. Sam Orgel, Ground Safety, and Lt. Ford, Air Provost Marshal, conducted 30 minute lectures on safety and security.

Plans were coordinated for the establishment of the Second Primary Management Training Course for civilian supervisors; 16 January was scheduled as the kick off date.

Recruitment activities were somewhat limited during the month due to the holiday season. Considerable difficulty is still being experienced in recruiting to fill the vacant engineering position in Air Installations. This is a scarce skill category and other installations are experiencing the same difficulty.

During the month of December the U. S. Civil Service Board of Examiners issued 33 notices of rating under examinations presently open; 19 names were certified from registers. Mr. H. E. McConnel, Field Representative from the Fifth Regional Office, U. S. Civil Service Commission visited the local Board of Examiners to render assistance in any way possible. One or two minor suggestions were made in the operation of the Board, which will be carried out.

The Civilian Advisory Council met with the Deputy Base Commander 3 December 1953. In the first meeting of the Council, both representatives and alternates attended. Mr. Joe Osborne was elected Chairman of the Council and Miss Louise Howe, Division Headquarters, was elected Secretary. Council members submitted a number of proposals to management for consideration. The Council will be advised of action taken on these proposals at the next meeting which is scheduled for the 12th of January 1954.

Report of examination for civilian personnel program conducted by the Department of the Air Force and the U. S. Civil Service Commission on the 26th through 30th October, was received. No recommendations were contained in the

report, and no reply was necessary. The general theme of the report indicated that the civilian personnel program was in a satisfactory condition.

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RECRUITING OFFICE
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

8th January 1954

SUBJECT: Historical Report for the Month of December 1953

Personnel & Admininstration Office
Headquarters 811th Air Base Group
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

1. A total of thirteen (13) reenlistments were accomplished by Base Recruiting Office during the month of December 1953.

2. The following is a breakdown of enlistments by squadron:

a 811th Air Base Group	3
b 811th Air Police Squadron	1
c 811th Installation Squadron	3
d 508th Air Refuel Squadron 508 Strat Ftr Wg	1
e 508th Fld Maint Sq 508th Strat Ftr Wg	1
f 467th Ftr Sq 508th Strat Ftr Wg	1
g 508th Med Gp	1
h 308th Strat Ftr Sq 31st Strat Ftr Wg	1
Total**********	13

3. Included in above one (1) enlistment was off Base after 24 hours.

4. Included in above two (2) enlistments were from Reserve on active duty to Regular AF.

Earl W. Palm
EARL W. PALM
2d Lt., USAF
Recruiting Officer

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PERSONNEL SERVICES OFFICE
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

DPPS 7 January 1954

SUBJECT: Personnel Services History - December 1953

TO: Base Personnel Officer
811th Air Base Group
Turner Air Force Base, Georgia

1. Special Services:

a. Due to postponement of the meeting of Strategic Air Command Welfare Fund Council, the application for special grants for the bowling alleys is pending. The Strategic Air Command Welfare Fund Council will meet during the first week in January.

b. The application for winterizing the picnic area which was approved in part by Second Air Force was changed during the month before being forwarded to the Strategic Air Command Welfare Fund Council (Reference 40th AD Message 16081).

d. The installation of air conditioning in the new Service Club, Building #2207, is pending action by the Post Exchange services on disposition of air conditioning installed in the old Service Club, Building #2006.

2. Library:

There was the usual decline in the average daily attendance and total book circulation at the base library during the month of December due to the holiday seasons.

3. Woodwork and Hobby Shop:

The Woodworking Hobby Shop was re-opened during the month of December and attendance in hobbies in crafts is expected to show a great increase due to the expanded area of the shop.

4. Athletics:

A base basketball team was formed and is practicing daily. The team was entered in the local civilian league and will play two games per week in the local league which will supplement a pending minimum schedule with service teams.

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5. Education:

a. The base Education Office will begin an on duty elementary school 18 January 1954 according to AFR 34-2. Each squadron commander is responsible for the enrollment and additions of all personnel who do not have the equivalent of an eighth grade education.

b. The present education program has been evaluated in accordance with Air Force Letter 34-23 and added stress by the command is being placed upon the base educational program.

6. Boat Dock and Recreation Area:

The boat dock and recreation area continues to operate with normal participation even though the winter season has set in. Possibly interest in outdoor activities has been aided by the reorganization of the Turner Air Force Base Sportsmens Club. The Sportsmens Club meets at the recreation area twice monthly is presenting interesting programs which include movies, disqussions, etc..

Gustave A. Meier Jr.
GUSTAVE A. MEIER, JR
2nd Lt., USAF
Personnel Services Officer

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PERSONAL AFFAIRS OFFICE
MONTHLY HISTORY
Dec 53

TO: Historical Officer

1. The Personal Affairs Dependents A ssistance program made considerable progress during the month of December 1953. The success of the program is due to the cooperation of the various sections and welfare agencies of the base. The use of the telephone for local and long distance calls were used extensively with great success, e.g. a dependent of an enlisted Navy pilot requested assistance from us for an appointment for childbirth at a military hospital nearest her home in Texas. A long distance call was made to the adjutant at Wolters AFB, CONAC, Texas, requesting them to make arrangements at a civilian hospital, with military dostors performing the operation, A few hours later, the adjutant at Wolters called the personal affairs office and stated arrangements have been made for her to proceed immediately to Texas for medical care prior to the childbirth. This saved the dependent of at least five or six days of anxiety. The use of the telephone is highly recommended where time is a primary factor. Local cases are helped thru the use of the telephone when possible, and in several instances, when the dependent cannot be contacted, the Chaplain makes a personal visit to them to provide the necessary help.

2. The Turner Chapter Air Force Aid Society made a total of 35 loan an d 1 cash grant amounting to $2150.00. 47 loans were repaid totaling $2330.00 for the month of December. The total amount of outstanding loans for the six-month period was $13838.50, slightly lower than last years outstanding loans which totaled $13,944.25. From January 1953 to December 1953, 627 loans were made,, during the same period 613 were paid in full.

William C. Leskovar
WILLIAM C. LESKOVAR
2/Lt, USAF
Personal Affairs Officer

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STRENGTH REPORT AS OF 31 DECEMBER 1953 FOR 40TH AIR DIVISION

UNIT	AUTH	ASGD	ATCH	PFD	PNFD	SK	LV	DDY	AUTH	ASGD	ATCH	PFD	PNFD	AWOL	SK	LV	DDY	CONF
Hq 40th ADiv	10	18	4	11			11		7	7		7						
31st Strat Ftr Wg (TDY Location)	154	124	16	128				12	639	642	421	935	1				127	
31st Medical Gp	35	27		24				3	104	107	3	87	3			10	10	
TOTAL 31st SF Wg	189	151	16	152				15	743	749	424	1022	4			10	137	
Hq 508th Strat Ftr Sq	30	33		23			6	4	92	94	5	78			1	20		
466th Strat Ftr Sq	36	40	2	26			12	4	56	79	9	78	1			8	1	
467th Strat Ftr Sq	36	42	5	35			9	3	56	65	16	56		3	1	21		
468th Strat Ftr Sq	36	40	1	28			8	5	56	71	5	63			1	8	4	
508th Air Ref Sq	110	93		69			22	2	229	223		194				28		1
508th A&E Maint Sq	9	7	2	6	1		2		213	195	27	130	3	1	1	67	20	
508th Fld Maint Sq	5	4		3		1			229	227	41	196				70	2	
508th Prd Maint Sq	4	3		1			2		108	106	15	91	3			23	4	
508th Medical Gp	17	12		11			1		73	73		68				5		
551st Avn Sq	15	13		11			2		33	33		21				11	1	
TOTAL 508th SF Wg	298	287	10	213	1	1	64	18	1145	1166	118	975	7	4	4	261	32	1
Hq 811th AB Gp	45	44	1	30			5	10	207	255	1	184	5		1	42	24	
811th Supply Sq	13	8		6				2	302	329		233	2	3		42	49	
811th Motor Vehicle Sq	5	4		3	1				185	202		126				20	56	
811th Air Police Sq	9	8		5			1	2	268	289	3	189	3	1		17	82	
811th Installations Sq	6	3		2			1		204	211		154	8		1	23	24	1
811th Food Service Sq	2	2		2					139	230		129	4	1		17	78	1
811th Operations Sq	20	14	1	9			3	3	256	252	2	185			1	29	39	
TOTAL 811th AB Gp	100	83	2	57	1		10	17	1561	1768	6	1200	22	5	3	190	352	2
BASE TOTAL	597	539	32	433	2	1	85	50	3456	3690	548	3204	33	9	7	461	521	3
3944th RBS Sq	6	7	1	6			2		40	36		28				5	3	
1926-2 AACS Det	7	1		1					61	56		51				5		
26-3 Weather Det	7	4		4					15	17		17						
OSI	2	2		2														
TOTAL DETACHMENTS	22	14	1	13			2		116	109		96				10	3	

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OPERATIONS & TRAINING SECTION
811th Air Base Group
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

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SUBJECT: Historical Data for month of December 1953

TO: Base Historical Office
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

1. During the month of December 1953 continuing emphasis of the Saturday Training Schedule produced several interesting programs which were both educational and amusing.

2. The Readable Writing Team from USAF University, Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama, lectured on two phases of Readable Writing on 5 December 1953. All officers and airmen attended and were enthusiastic over the excellent presentation of the subject.

3. Also, on this date reaccomplishment of Phase 1 Security was initiated with two lectures. The first subject, "SAfeguarding Military Information" is a continuing subject due to the turnover of personnel and influx of a large number of basic airmen. The second subject, "Guarding Against Sabotage" is designed to keep all troops constantly alert to detect any attempt by subversives to cause damage of any sort. On Saturday, 12 December 1953, Colonel Easton, Base Commander, spoke to the troops on the subject of Ground Safety cautioning all to observe the simple rules of safety.

4. An interesting Information and Education Program was presented at the Base Theater consisting of training films as well as a film on current events.

5. A Personnel Inspection in Ranks by the Base Commander and Staff was held on 19 Dec 1953. Each squadron was separately rated on the following items: Haircuts, shoeshines, brass (condition & positions), uniform (fit, cleanliness and press, condition) and cap. The rating formula used: Poor 1 - 3; Average 4 - 7; Excellent 8 - 10. Upon the basis of above, the Supply Squadron was first with the Operations Squadron second. Food Service Squadron, Air Police, Headquarters, Motor Vehicle and Installations Squadrons being rated in that order. The rating system used above creates a competitive spirit between squadrons and results in a more efficient Air Base Group.

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Operations & Training Section, 811th ABGp, Turner AFB, Ga, Subj: Historical Data for month of Dec 1953.

6. The program of requiring officers to give a written explanation for delinquencies in Physical Training has produced excellent results with only three being reported during the month.

7. The implementation of the 508th SF/Wg Operations Order 201-53 deploying tactical squadrons to Aux Fld #6 Eglin AFB, Fla, for ground gunnery training with approximately 75 support personnel from the Air Base Group demonstrated that close coordination between organizations benefit all concerned in that the operation was successfully accomplished.

8. All training was suspended during the holidays.

William F. Kahley

WILLIAM F. KAHLEY
Major, USAF
Base Operations & Training Staff Officer

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BASE COMMUNICATIONS OFFICE
811th Air Base Group
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

BOTC 6 January 1954

SUBJECT: Monthly Historical Report

TO: Base Historical Officer
811th Air Base Group
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

The month of December 1953 was a busy period for Base Communications personnel at Turner Air Force Base. Many important events took place. The most important perhaps was the opening of the new Base Communications Center. At midnight on 12 December 1953 our new 800 line Telephone exchange was placed into operation. The new exchange will provide for additional telephone service which was needed throughout this base. Prior to placing the new telephone system into operation, new telephone directories were distributed to all units on the base, since practically every telephone number througout the base was changed. This changing of telephone numbers was necessary in order to augement the new telephone system and to provide better dialing service for all users.

Numerous public address systems were installed for various training lectures and functions at the Base Theater. One such system was installed at the Base Chapel for Christmas services.

The services of an inventory team from Warner Robins Air Materiel Area was secured by this office and a complete inventory of SCR 399 and SCR 499 radio sets was accomplished on 11 December 1953.

WILLIAM D. LANGSTON
Capt., USAF, Base Comm Officer

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WIRE MAINTENANCE
811th Operations Squadron
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

4 January 1954

SUBJECT: Monthly Historical Report

TO: Historical Officer

1. During the month of December 1953, the Base Wire Maintenance Section gained one 36270. The total strength of the section at present is one officer and ten airmen. The Wire Officer and three airmen are on temporary duty in Japan. This section also sent two airmen for seven days temporary duty to Erlin Air Force Base during the month of December.

2. During the month the following items of maintenance and installation were accomplished.

a. Installed EE-8 telephone in hanger # 1 from switchboard to A & E shop.

b. Installed slave station in building 3201 from master station in building 3002 and a slave station upstairs in building 3002.

c. Repaired dial on WD-96 at Security Headquarters.

d. Five pair rubber covered cable was replaced on poles on flight line after being torn loose by unknown means.

e. Field wire W110 was straightened up in back of Motor Pool gas station that runs to entrance bell.

f. Installed two EE-8 telephone lines from building 4004 to B-29 parking area and one EE-8 telephone line from building 4004 to building 1002.

g. Removed short from EE-8 telephone line to post # 12.

h. Removed and replaced antenna's from pole at Receiver Site for AACS.

3. In addition to the above work accomplished, weekly inspections were made on the Base Defense telephone system. Repairs and general maintenance were made on Base (field) Wire Communications system by the Wire Maintenance Section.

William C. Gustafson 2nd Lt
for James A. Burroughs Jr.
S/Sgt. USAF
NCOIC Wire Maintenance

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811TH OPERATIONS SQUADRON
Office of the Base Radio Officer
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

1 January 1954

SUBJECT: Monthly Historical Report

TO: Historical Officer

1. During the month of December, Base Radio gained one (1) 30471 and one (1) 30450. Base Radio lost one (1) 29370, two (2) 29351, two (2) 29331, one (1) 30471 and one (1) 56130.

2. During this period, the following items of equipment were repaired and placed back into operation.

a. Two (2) Radio Receivers (1- BC-342 and 1 BC-779) used by Base Radio Receivers.

b. Repaired intercom system for Base Motor Vehicle Squadron Orderly Room.

c. Installed two (2) Public Address Systems for various lectures and functions in the Base Theatre.

d. Installed one (1) Public Address System in Base Chapel for Midnight Christmas Services.

e. An inventory team from Warner Robbins AFB completed an inventory of one (1) SCR-399 and seven (7) SCR-499 Radio Sets. This inventory was completed on 11 December 1953.

3. In addition to the above work accomplished, periodic maintenance inspections of all equipment in operation was performed. This is in compliance with T.O. 16-1-79.

4. During the month of December, the Radio Receiver Site, functioning under the Base Radio Section, had a normal work load throughout the month, despite the high loss of personnel to this section.

for TRAVIS H. REEVES
Capt., USAF
Base Communications Officer

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BASE PHOTOGRAPHIC LABORATORY
811th Operations Squadron
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

4 January 1954

SUBJECT: Monthly History Report

TO: Commander
811th Operations Squadron
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

1. No changes in personnel strength were recorded during the month of December.

2. A/2C David L. Hawkins was dispatched to Eglin AFB, Fla. for gunnery support of the 467th Strategic Fighter Squadron from 1 Dec to 20 December 1953.

3. Work accomplished during the month of December consists of the following:

4x5	Negs	400
4x5	Prints	1240
8x10	Negs	160
8x10	Prints	1250
20x24	Negs	2
20x24	Prints	100
Photostats		740
Ozalids		500 sq. ft.
16mm Film		1000 ft.

EDWARD M. BEAVER
1/Lt., USAF
Base Photo Officer

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BASE OPS 314.7, Subject: Section History for December 1953(RCS AF-DS-03A)

PERSONNEL

During the month of December 1953 there were (30) Pilots, (3) Medical Examiners, (1) Flight Surgeon, (10) Enlisted Flight Engineers, and (3) Radio Operatiors assigned and/or attached to Base Flight for flying purposes.

TRAINING AND OPERATIONS

The following is data on Base Flight Aircraft including Airplanes and Flying time for the month of December 1953.

AIRPLANE TIME:

C-47.....210:05
T-7..... 38:00
TB-26..... 41:55

	C-47	T-7	TB-26
TRAINING.....	8:55	3:25	-
ADMINISTRATIVE.....	201:10	34:35	41:55

FLYING TIME BY ORGANIZATION:

	C-47	T-7	TB-26
Base Flight.....	261:00	48:30	82:30
307th Strat Ftr Sq.....	-	-	-
308th Strat Ftr Sq.....	-	-	-
309th Strat Ftr Sq.....	-	-	-
466th Strat Ftr Sq.....	1:15	-	-
467th Strat Ftr Sq.....	79:30	10:50	-
468th Strat Ftr Sq.....	93:20	13:25	-
508th ARS.....	82:45	4:05	-

TOTAL FLYING TIME BY TYPE AIRCRAFT:

C-47.....517:50
T-7..... 76:50
TB-26..... 82:30

INSTRUMENT TIME:

C-47.....138:25
T-7..... 15:50
TB-26.....9:50

NOTE: Instrument Time is based on Flying Time.

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BASE OPS 314.7, Subject: Section History for December 1953 (RCS-DS-U3A)
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Following are percentages of AFR 60-2 requirements completed by pilots assigned or attached to Base Flight for flying for the month of December 1953. Percentages are based on the semi-annual maximum requirements of 65 hours proficiency, 9 hours night and 10 hours hood and/or weather. Percentages are based on (30) pilots present for duty.

PROFICIENCY.....93.8%
NIGHT.....98.1%
HOOD AND/OR WEATHER.....100%

Turner Tower processed VFR take-offs (852) and (827) landings VFR, IFR take-offs (82), IFR Landings (77), practice VHF/DF Steers (112), UHF/DF Steers (412), emergency VHF/DF Steers (0), emergency UHF/DF Steers (27) during the month of December 1953.

During the month of December 1953 the Base Operations Dispatch Section processed (195) incoming flights, (194) outgoing flights, (40) locals, (206) transients flights, and (27) round robin flights which included Instrument training flights, Operational missions, and minimum individual training flights.

Dale K Christians
DALE K CHRISTIANS
1/Lt, USAF
Asst Base Operations Officer

AIR BASE TRAINING FLIGHT
811th Operations Squadron
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

BOTT 4 January 1954

SUBJECT: Section History for December 1953

TO: Commander
811th Operations Squadron
Turner AFB, Georgia

1. During the month of December 1953, there were two (2) officers and thirty six (36) airmen assigned this section.

2. The Range Section of the Air Base Training Flight fired sixty nine (69) airmen with the Carbine, Caliber .30; eight (8) officers with the .38 Caliber Revolver and three (3) officers with the U. S. Pistol, Caliber .45. Twenty four (24) new carbine targets were also constructed.

3. Atomic, Biological and Chemical Warfare Defense training was given to two hundred and twenty six (226) officers and airmen. Atomic, Biological and Chemical Warfare Defense (Refresher) training was given to forty two (42) officers and airmen.

4. The Synthetic Trainer Section operated one (1) C-8 and two (2) C-11B Instrument Trainers for a total utilization of two hundred and twenty eight (228) hours with assigned personnel of one (1) officer and eleven (11) airmen.

5. The Physical Conditioning Unit conducted four hundred and forty two (442) conditioning workouts; fifty seven (57) combative measures classes; and two hundred and eighty two (282) controlled sports periods, and facilities have been adjusted to facilitate the conducting of classes for personnel of the 508th Air Refueling Squadron.

6. Hardtop walkways and firing points were poured on the Skeet Range, and ammunition carrying bags were constructed for use on the Skeet Range.

7. Twenty (20) airmen and officers were indoctrinated in the Basic Survival Course. Construction has begun on a parachute oscillation tower and in the near future, parachute training will be available to all personnel undergoing Survival training.

8. S/Sgt John R. Burkett and A/2C Crawford W. Brown, both from the Physical Conditioning Unit, were transferred to Headquarters Squadron.

9. M/Sgt Victor G. Neal was transferred from Turner Air Force Base to Georgetown University, Washington, D. C.

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10. T/Sgt C. N. Helmig returned from Chanute Air Force Base, Illinois. He completed a course on C-11B Instrument Trainer Maintenance.

11. A/1C Jerald D. Altman returned to the Training Flight after completing a ten (10) day On-the-Job Training Course at Sheppard Air Force Base, Texas.

George W. Dargan

GEORGE W. DARGAN
2nd Lt, USAF
Asst Training Officer

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811TH OPERATIONS SQUADRON
811th Air Base Group
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

4 January 1954

SUBJECT: Monthly Historical Report for
December 1953

TO: Commander
811th Operations Squadron
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

1. There are sixty-one (61) airmen and two (2) Officers assigned to this section at the present time. There are twenty-two (22) airmen assigned to the Alert Crew. Twenty-four (24) airmen were transferred to the 508th Air Refueling Squadron 20 December 1953.

2. The following inspections were accomplished during the month. Three (3) Intermediate inspections and two (2) Major Inspections.

3. CWO Fred W. Hege is presently TDY for approximately twenty (20) days at Eglin AFB, Florida.

4. The following Transient Aircraft were serviced and necessary maintenance performed.

B-17	2	C-124	7	T-33	19
B-25	6	F-51	2	C-121	1
B-26	2	F-84	2	HUP-2	1
B-29	1	F-86	7	R-47	1
C-45	17	T-6	2		
C-46	3	T-11	1		
C-47	20	T-28	2		

5. Base Flight aircraft flew during the month of December without a minor or major accident. Base Flight aircraft flew a total of two hundred and fifty five hours (255:00) during the month of December.

Franklin L. Tennyson

FRANKLIN L. TENNYSON
CAPT., USAF
Eng Officer

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HEADQUARTERS 811TH AIR BASE GROUP
Office of the Base Supply Officer
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

BMBS 13 November 1953

SUBJECT: Local Purchase Sales Store

THRU: Base Materiel Officer
811th Air Base Group
Turner Air Force Base

TO: Commander
811th Air Base Group
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

1. SAC Regulation 67-26, dated 2 October 1953, places the responsibility on Base Commanders of establishing a Local Purchase Store for LP expendable supplies. This constitutes a major change in Base Supply procedures.

2. The regulation offers considerable freedom in establishing procedures for the implementation and operation of the LP store. This report is rendered for your information and concurrence in proposed operating procedures.

3. The LP store will be operated as much as possible along the lines of a regular retail sales store. The advantages of this simplified procedure as outlined in the regulation, are to eliminate complicated and time consuming procedures for requisitioning, storage, issue, and accounting for LP items. I believe that there will be many additional advantages afforded by this system. Base Supply stocks of dead LP items will be purged by being substituted for other items requested; the build-up of excess LP items will be eliminated by careful buying of fast moving items, accomplished by department managers who will be in direct daily contact with customers and stock, this personal contact will play a large part in effecting best utilization of funds under the current austerity program; organizational supply stocks will be reduced to a minimum inasmuch as they will be able to obtain supplies whenever required.

4. The LP store will consist of four departments:

Department A - Office supplies, packaging materials, miscellaneous
Department B - Hardware Supplies
Department C - Lumber, Textiles, Paints, Ground POL
Department D - Vehicle Spare Parts

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a. The proposed location of the store is Building No. 7003 presently occupied by Service Unit No. 4, with the exception of Department C, which will be in the new paint warehouse. This provides a convenient location to AIO, Motor Vehicle, and is the present storage location of office supplies.

b. The store will be supervised by a store manager under the Base Supply Officer and each department operated by a department manager. I believe the success of this operation will depend upon the qualifications of the personnel assigned to exercise sound judgement in ordering supplies. Accordingly, I will select the best available personnel and insure that they are cognizant of our reduced appropriations.

5. The initial stock for the store will be transferred from present warehouses utilizing an inventory and ordering list, quantities to be determined by a physical inventory. Simultaneously, an IAV will be prepared by Class, zeroing any balances that remain on stock record cards. Stock record cards and locator cards will not be maintained by the LP store. Replenishment of stock will be procured from the General Services Administration, commercial sources, and LP items still on hand at depots will be requisitioned from the appropriate depot.

6. In making issues, customers will be allowed to view our stocks and when the actual selection of items is made from the bins, sales clerks will record the item on a sales slip. In connection with this, it has been my experience that when personnel know they can obtain supplies whenever required they will only take amounts that are actually required. This was further established during a personal visit to the LP store at Eglin AF Base, which was the first Air Force installation to implement this system.

7. In view of the low stockage objective that will be set on LP items, pipeline time will be a critical factor for successful operation. At the present considerable time is lost in the return of purchase requests by Purchasing & Contracting for additional identification, name of manufacturer, etc. In the interest of saving time lost, for the above reasons, and for closer coordination it is urgently requested that you consider transferring a buyer from Purchasing & Contracting to the LP store. The buyer will remain under the control of the Purchasing & Contracting Officer.

8. This system introduces a new accounting procedure based on dollar value of supplies and is known as monetary supply accounting. The budget and accounting officer will maintain a perpetual dollar inventory of all LP supplies. A copy of the initial inventory list and all subsequent documents affecting the balance of LP supplies will be furnished the budget and accounting officer daily. The LP store is the first phase in implementing the monetary supply accounting system which will soon include all items in the stock record account.

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BMBS, Subj: Local Purchase Sales Store

9. The deadline date for establishment of the store is 1 January 1953. It is not contemplated that there will be any difficulty in meeting this date.

/s/t/LEON VIGDOR
Captain, USAF
Base Supply Officer

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OFFICE OF THE BASE MATERIEL OFFICER
Headquarters 811th Air Base Group
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

MM 13 January 1954

SUBJECT: Historical Report for Month of December 1953

TO: Base Historian
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

1. The AOCP rate for the month of December was 8.6%, an increase of 2.7% from the November rate. This increase was mostly due to the transfer of the KB-29's from Lockbourne during the month.

2. The AMPE rate for the month of December was 58.7%, an increase of 5.6% over the preceding month. The contributing factor for the increase was due to the transfer of the KB-29's from Lockbourne.

3. The monthly VDP rate was 3.27% and the VDM was .85%. These rates are considered normal for the number of vehicles assigned.

1 Incl
History of Sub-Sections

A. C. GUTHRIE
Lt Col, USAF
Base Materiel Officer

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Turner Air Force Base Exchange
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

BMBX 160 25 January 1954

SUBJECT: Contract for Remodeling Base Exchange

TO: S-4
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

This is to advise that the contract for remodeling the Base Exchange was approved and work is scheduled to begin in January 1954.

George F. Bunt

GEORGE F. BUNT
Captain, USAF
Exchange Officer

Exhibit 28

Turner Air Force Base Exchange
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

BMBX 160

25 January 1954

SUBJECT: Contract for Construction of Filling Station

TO: S-4
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

This is to advise that the contract for the construction of a Filling Station was approved and construction is scheduled to begin in January 1954.

George F Bunt

GEORGE F. BUNT
Captain, USAF
Exchange Officer

Exhibit #9

Turner Air Force Base Exchange
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

BMBX 160

31 December 1953

SUBJECT: Contract

TO: Atlanta Regional Office
Army and Air Force Exchange Service
111 Ivy Street, N. E.
Atlanta 3, Georgia

1. Attached herewith is contract between the Drink-O-Mat Corporation of South Carolina and this exchange together with Activity Report and Evidence of Insurance Coverage.

2. Request approval of contract.

GEORGE F. BUNT
Captain, USAF
Exchange Officer

3 Incls
Contract (trip)
Activity Rpt (trip)
Ins. Evidence (trip)

CSXRA 160 - Turner AFB (31 Dec 53) 1st Ind

ATLANTA REGIONAL OFFICE, ARMY AND AIR FORCE EXCHANGES, Atlanta, Ga., 15 January 1954

TO: Commanding Officer, Turner Air Force Base, Ga., ATTN: Exchange Officer

Concessionaire Agreement with Drink-O-Mat Corporation for the operation of Coca-Cola Cup Vending Machines is returned with concurrence.

FOR THE CHIEF, ARMY AND AIR FORCE EXCHANGE SERVICE:

3 Incls:
cy w/d

A. C. CRAWFORD
Colonel, AGC
Regional Officer

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HEADQUARTERS 811TH AIR BASE GROUP
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

BMAIO 600.1 1 Dec 1953

SUBJECT: Modifications to Picnic Pavilion - Turner AF Base

TO: Commander
40th Air Division
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

1. Request permission be granted for the initiation of a project to summarize and winterize the existing Picnic Pavilion at Turner Air Force Base, in accordance with paragraph 3, SAC Regulation 176-6 , 27 May 1953.

2. The attached drawing shows the proposed work involved.

3. This project consists of sealing of a portion of exterior walls of existing Picnic Pavilion; the installation of window sash; insect screening, doors and screen doors; the construction of a fireplace and the installation of a hot water boiler and hot water unit heaters for heating purposes.

4. The estimated cost of this project, complete, is $5,000.00 and is broken down as follows:

Concrete and Masonry Work	$950.00
Heating	1250.00
Carpentry, including Sash, Doors, Screening and Framing	1400.00
Electrical Work	50.00
Profit, Overhead Contingency	1350.00

5. A grant in the amount of $5,000.00 was requested on 12 November 1953 from the SAC Welfare Fund to accomplish the above listed work by contract.

1 Incl
Dwg No. TNP-B-150, 2 Shts (Sext)

JOHN J. EASTON
Colonel, USAF
Commander

A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

JOSEPH E. ZURO
1st Lt., USAF

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Hq 811th ABG, BMAIO 600.1, SUBJ: Modifications to Picnic Pavilion - TAFB

BMAIO 600.1 1st Ind

1 Dec 1953

HEADQUARTERS 40TH AIR DIVISION, Turner AF Base, Albany, Ga.

TO: Commander, Second Air Force, Barksdale AF Base, La.

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2nd Ind

HEADQUARTERS SECOND AIR FORCE, Barksdale Air Force Base, Louisiana

TO: Commander, 40th Air Division, Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Ga.

1. Returned without action. Your application for Special Grant in the amount of $5,000.00 to winterize the picnic pavilion was forwarded to Headquarters Strategic Air Command recommending approval in the amount of $1,000.00 which is the maximum amount authorized by the current policies of the Strategic Air Command Welfare Fund Council for the improvement to picnic grounds or for the purchase of equipment. (See Incl #1 to letter, this headquarters, file 2AFPSA 123, Subject: "Action on Applications for Welfare Fund Grants," dated 10 November 1953).

2. Request this headquarters be advised of proposed plan to obtain the additional local Nonappropriated Welfare Funds required to complete this project.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMANDER:

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Hq 811th ABG, BMAIO 600.1, SUBJ: Modifications to Picnic Pavilion - TAFB

BPPS 600.1 3rd Ind
HEADQUARTERS 40TH AIR DIVISION, Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia
17 Dec 1953
TO: Commander, Second Air Force, Barksdale Air Force Base, Louisiana

The sum of $4000.00 is not available from Nonappropriated Welfare Funds at this base to complete the proposed project on the picnic pavilion; therefore, no plan is submitted. In case of approval of the $1000.00 by the Strategic Air Command Welfare Fund Council, the funds will be used for the purchase of equipment for the picnic pavilion.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

1 Incl
w/d

/s&t/ EDMOND L. FORTIN
Major, USAF
Adjutant

COMDR, AIRDIV FOUR ZERO, TURNER AFB, GA.

COMDR, 2AF, BARKSDALE AFB, LA.

BPPS 855 REFR TEL MSG 16 DEC 53 AND UR 2ND IND TO LMITER THIS HQ DTD 1 DEC 53 SUBJ: "MODIFICATIONS TO PICNIC PAVILION-TURNER AFB" THE FOLLOWING LIST OF EQUIPMENT IS SUBMITTED TO BE PURCHASED WITH SAC WELFARE GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF $1,000.00: A. APPROX $400.00 FOR MATERIAL AND $100.00 FOR LABOR FOR CONSTRUCTION AND PAINTING OF TWELVE PICNIC TABLES; B. $200.00 FOR THE PURCHASE OF AWNING-TYPE UMBRELLAS: C. $300.00 FOR THE PURCHASE OF PA SYSTEM COMPLETE WITH AMPLIFIER, MICROPHONE, SPEAKERS, AND TURNTABLE.

/s/ William C. Leskovar
/t/ WILLIAM C. LESKOVAR
2nd Lt., USAF

A TRUE CERTIFIED COPY:

SAMUEL C. CRAIG
1st Lt., USAF

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HEADQUARTERS 811TH AIR BASE GROUP
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

BP 421.1 29 December 1953

SUBJECT: Wearing of USAF Uniform

TO: Commanders
All Organizations Asgd or Atchd
Turner Air Force Base, Georgia

1. The Commander, Strategic Air Command, has recognized the need to accord greater prestige to the uniform and to the military profession. In keeping with this, the Strategic Air Command has initiated policies with respect to wearing of the uniform as a start in this direction. This is the first major command to officially recognize this trend of thinking on the part of it's commanders and men. The premise is this: The blue uniform is the mark of identification that distinguishes the airman and associates him with a service vital to his fellow men all over the world. It can be worn with pride by those who serve. It should, therefore, be worn more often. The policy as received from the Commander, Strategic Air Command, is quoted in part immediately below:

"Pending finalization and publication of Strategic Air Command Regulation, the following policy concerning the wearing of the uniform is disseminated:

'1. The uniform will be worn at all times while within the confines of the military reservation.

'a. While on duty uniform appropriate to duty being performed will be worn.

'b. While off duty uniform will be standard Class "A" type for all personnel.

'c. For evening social activities officers will wear Class "A" uniform with white shirt and black bow tie while on base and off duty.

'2. Civilian dress is authorized for off base wear and for this purpose while enroute to or from quarters and the gate.

'3. Exceptions to the above instructions may be made by local commanders to handle special situations, i. e., participation in athletics, costume parties, etc.'

"The following definitions of classes of uniform are submitted for your information and guidance in carrying out the provisions of the message quoted above:

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"Standard Class "A" Winter. Cap, flight, blue; cap, service, blue. Coat, wool, blue. Jacket, wool, blue. Overcoat, wool, blue or Topcoat. Shirt, poplin, blue shade 120; Shirt, oxford, blue shade 126. Trousers, wool, blue. Shirt, wool, blue. Policy concerning wearing of the wool blue shirt was disseminated by letter, this headquarters, 2AFMSX 420, Subject: "The Wool Flannel Blue Shade 84 Shirt", 24 November 1953.

"Class "A" uniform (winter) for officer personnel for social activities on base: Cap, service, blue; Coat, wool, blue; Overcoat or topcoat; Shirt, white; Bow Tie, black square end.

"Class "A" uniform (summer) for officer personnel for social activities on base: Cap, service, blue; Coat, summer, tan shade 61 or 193; Shirt, white; Bow Tie, black, square end.

"Standard Class "A" (summer): Cap, service, blue; Cap, flight, blue; Coat, summer, shade 61 or 193; Jacket, summer, shade 16 or 193; Shirt, khaki, poplin or breadcloth; Shirt, shade 16 or 193; Shirt, poplin, tan, shade 505; Trousers, cotton, khaki; Trousers, tan, shade 61 and 193.

"Evening social activities are defined as follows:

"a. In quarters: A planned party.

"b. In clubs: A formal party or informal gathering consisting of two or more people extending over a period of time.

"This message will be implemented upon receipt."

2. The policy above is largely self-explanatory. Certain local applications of the policy are stated herewith pending receipt of the Strategic Air Command Uniform Regulation and will be effective on this base until that time.

a. Provisions of the above message are effective immediately.

b. OFFICERS CLUB:

(1) On New Year's Eve only (31 December 1953) officers may wear civilian winter formal clothing in lieu of the uniform.

(2) An informal gathering at the Officers Club is defined as an event scheduled by the Club, a group, or an individual. At these times a black bow-tie with white

shirt and blouse will be worn after 1900 hours. Otherwise, the Class "A" uniform described in the message above is acceptable.

(3) Officers whose duty requires their presence on the base after 1900 hours (Senior Duty Officer, Airdrome Officer, etc.) are authorized to wear the Class "A" (Std) uniform in the club even though the white shirt and black bow-tie may be required for others.

(4) Nurses, when in uniform, will wear the uniform as prescribed by the Surgeon. Appropriate evening dresses may be worn in lieu of the uniform at formal functions only.

c. NCO CLUB:

(1) On New Year's Eve only (31 December 1953) non-commissioned officers may wear civilian winter formal wear or a conservative business suit with dress shirt and tie in lieu of the uniform.

(2) An informal gathering at the NCO Club is defined as an event scheduled by the NCO Club, a group, or an individual. At these times a black bow-tie with white shirt and blouse is preferred, but not mandatory, after 1900 hours.

d. PICNIC AREA:

(1) Appropriate sports clothing may be worn in Picnic Area.

e. HOBBY SHOP:

(1) Appropriate clothing for the type of work to be performed will be worn.

John J. Easton 18035
JOHN J. EASTON
Colonel, USAF
Commander

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2AFRA 3294. ATTN CLN ISO. THIS MSG IN TWO PARTS. PART I REF SAC MSG SA 49499 DTD 24 DEC 53 WHERE MSG READS "FOR EVENING SOCIAL EVENTS CMA A WHITE SHIRT AND BLACK TIE IS PREFERRED DRESS CMA THE FOLLOWING WILL BE SUBSTITUTED BEFORE PUBLICATION. "FOR PLANNED EVENING SOCIAL EVENTS A WHITE SHIRT AND BLACK TIE WILL BE REQUIRED IN THE CASE OF OFFICERS AND OPTIONAL IN THE CASE OF AIRMEN." PART II FOR PURPOSES OF CLARIFICATION THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS ON PROPER UNIFORM ARE SUBMITTED FOR PUBLICATION IF DESIRED CLN Q. WHAT IS THE APPROPRIATE DRESS FOR CIVILIAN GUESTS? A. BUSINESS SUITS FOR MEN CMA STREET OR COCKTAIL DRESSES FOR WOMEN UNLESS

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ANNOUNCED IT IS A FORMAL OR SEMI-FORMAL GATHERING. Q. WHAT DO DEPENDENTS WEAR? A. OFFICERS WIVES OR ADULT DAUGHTERS SHOULD WEAR STREET CMA COCKTAIL OR FORMAL DRESS CMA DEPENDING ON TYPE OF AFFAIR BEING ATTENDED. ADULT MALE MEMBERS OF OFFICERS FAMILY SHOULD WEAR BUSINESS SUIT UNLESS ATTENDING AN ANNOUNCED FORMAL OR SEMI-FORMAL AFFAIR. Q. HOW ABOUT DINNER AT THE CLUB? A. BLUE SHIRT AND TIE ARE PERMISSABLE FOR OFFICERS ALONE OR WITH THEIR FAMILIES. IF ATTENDING A DINNER PARTY CMA WHITE SHIRT AND BLACK TEI WILL BE WORN. Q. WHAT SHOULD AN OFFICER WEAR TO THE CLUB BAR AFTER SIX. A. BLUE SHIRT AND TIE IS PERMISSABLE UNLESS HE IS WITH OR JOINS A PARTY CMA THEN WHITE SHIRT AND BLACK TIE IS REQUIRED. Q. WHAT IS ACCEPTABLE DRESS FOR QUARTERS. A. CIVILIAN ATTIRE PERMISSABLE UNLESS THERE IS A PLANNED ANNOUNCED PARTY. Q. DOES THIS REGULATION APPLY TO FEMALE MILITARY PERSONNEL. A. YES. Q. IF AN OFFICER IS GOING TO TOWN IN CIVILIAN CLOTHES CMA CAN HE STOP AT THE CLUB BEFORE LEAVING OR UPON HIS RETURN. A. NO. HE MUST BE IN UNIFORM BEFORE GOING TO THE CLUB. Q. DO THESE RULES APPLY TO AIRMEN. A. YES. EXCEPT THAT WEARING WHITE SHIRT AND BLACK TIE ARE OPTIONAL.
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BCP 1953 COMMUNITY CHEST FUND DONATIONS
Finance Office 5 January 1954

Commander
40th Air Division
Turner Air Force Base, Ga.

The following is a final tabulation of contributions to the Dougherth County Community Chest fund:

Individuals & Clubs	Amount	Totals
Officers Wives Club	50.00	
Officers Club	35.00	
N C O Club	35.00	
Civilian Personnel	149.10	$269.10
811th Air Base Group		
Hq. Sq. Sec. 811th AB Group	409.00	
811th Air Police	291.20	
811th Motor Vehicle Sq.	171.16	
811th Installations Sq.	297.00	
811th Operations	300.40	
811th Food Service	266.50	
811th Supply Sq.	274.15	$2,009.41
508th Strat. Ftr. Wing		
Hq. 508th Strat. Ftr. Wing	91.50	
468th Strat. Ftr. Sq.	92.00	
467th Strat Ftr. Sq.	96.15	
469th Strat. Ftr. Sq.	84.00	
508th Field Maint. Sq.	66.12	
508th Medical Group	157.00	
508th Per. Maint. Sq.	82.75	
508th A. & E. Sq.	295.00	$964.52
31st Medical Group	148.00	$148.00
Tenant Organization		
3944th R.B.S. Sq.	5.50	
551st Aviation Sq.	148.00	
1926 AACS	40.00	$193.50
31st Fighter Wing	304.52	
Turner Airmen Improvement Funds	400.00	$1,204.52
GRAND TOTAL		$4,789.05

/s/ E.H. DEAN
1st Lt, USAF
Treasurer

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UNITED SHARING APPEAL
November 1952

Organization	Avg PFD	% of Members Contributing	Total Contribution	Standard Per Person	Actual Per Person	% of Standard Per Person
Hq 40th AD	5	60%	$ 56.00		$ 11.20	
31st SFW	755	74%	809.50		1.07	
508th SFW	700	85%	873.99		1.25	
811th ABGp	1820	82%	1455.55		.80	
SOWEGA Sports Car Race			4443.66			
Total	3280	81%	$ 7639.00		$ .99 (Excluding SOWEGA)	
					2.33 (Including SOWEGA)	

HEADQUARTERS TURNER AIR FORCE BASE
INFORMATION SERVICES OFFICE
ALBANY, GEORGIA

16 December 1953

Lt. Col. John P. Spaulding
Special Assistant to the Commanding General
Headquarters Second Air Force
Barksdale Air Force Base
Louisiana

Dear Col. Spaulding:

In compliance with your message, 2AFRA 1973, dated 10 December 1953, a report covering community integration activities of this base for calender year 1953 is inclosed herewith.

With reference to your request for photostat copies of letters of thanks and appreciation received from Chamber of Commerce and local civic organizations during the year, we regret that the local photo lab has no photostat paper. The due date on a new supply is not until 23 December. However, we are sending certified true copies of thirteen letters.

Sincerely,

ERSKINE C. CURRIE
T/Sgt., USAF
NCOIC - ISO

14 Incls
1. Narrative Rpt.
2 - 14 - Certified copies of ltrs.

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COMMUNITY INTEGRATION ACTIVITIES FOR CALENDAR YEAR 1953

Community integration activities of the personnel of this base during 1943 have been many and varied, ranging from attendance at City of Albany churches and civic clubs to the celebration of the homecoming of a returned Prisoner of War, assisting in the search for missing local youngsters, and participation in intra-mural sports leagues.

Guided tours of the base during the year were not as great as during the previous year, but considered as a satisfactory representation. In January, 3[illegible] students from [illegible], Ga. were conducted on a tour of the base which included stops at the flight line to see a Thunderjet, at the fire station and at the synthetic trainer department.

Similar tours were given to: 26 students from Isabella School in Albany in January; three bus loads of students from Eureka High School in Ashburn, Ga. in March; one bus load of seventh graders from Sylvester, Ga. in April; two bus loads of students from Cairo, Ga. in May; one bus load from Chula in May; one bus load from [illegible], Ga. in May, and 30 pupils from Patmos School in Baker County in May.

On December 8, 1[illegible] students from Albany State College were conducted on a tour of the Base Weather Station in connection with their current college studies.

The above listed tours are in addition to those conducted on National Kids' Day and Armed Forces Day.

As this report shows, the early part of the year is the most popular time for tours in this section as that is when the various schools have their class trips.

Civic Clubs

Active membership by [illegible] personnel in local civic clubs, (Lions, Kiwanis, Rotary, [illegible], etc.) is low. However, the Information Services Office sends a [illegible] officer or airman to each meeting of each club year-around. The [illegible] rotates among the [illegible] on the base to obtain equal representation, and alternates in sending officers and airmen.

This program is believed to be highly satisfactory and offsets the lack of active membership of the military in the clubs.

The Information Services Office maintains constant liaison with the clubs and often furnishes the programs for their meetings.

Speakers' Bureau

The Information Services Office maintains a Base Speakers' Bureau to furnish speakers to civilian organizations upon their requests.

During 1953, speakers have been sent to every civic club in Albany at least once (for speeches on subjects other than Armed Forces Day) and also to the clubs of many towns and communities in the southwest Georgia area.

During the period immediately following Operation Longstride, this office, for example, furnished speakers on the flight to civic clubs in Albany, Moultrie, Dawson and Americus.

The NCOIC of the Information Services Office has given speeches on COMMUNISM to Moultrie Rotary Club, Americus Lions Club and Albany Kiwanis Club, and on RED CHINA to the Camilla, Ga., Rotary Club. Technical Sergeant Frank F. Aldridge spoke to the Junior Chamber of Commerce in August.

Newspapers

There are two local newspapers in Albany, one daily and one weekly. News and feature stories about the base have been furnished to both papers throughout the year to keep the local citizens aware of unclassified events taking place on the base.

The base has cooperated with several newspaper sponsored events, including a model airplane meet where timers were Air Force personnel.

The daily newspaper employs the wife of an air force sergeant in the news room.

Radio

Throughout 1953, the Information Services Office furnished 15-minute news programs to the three local radio stations each week.

Scout Work

Turner personnel, especially those married and with children, have joined wholeheartedly in the local Scout program. Brigadier General Thayer S. Olds, commander of the 40th Air Division, is a member of the council executive board, and Colonel John J. Easton, base commander, is a member of the district scout committee.

There are four rated officers and two enlisted men working with the local Air Scouts and another enlisted man working with Employer Scouts (which includes Air Scouts) in general. Three air force companies are scout masters, and two officers and one enlisted man are working with various cub scout packs.

Turner personnel assisted in the successful holding of the annual Boy Scout camp at Camp Osborne in the summer. Turner men acted as instructors in such things as woods lore. A small group of scouts spent a three-day encampment at Turner AFB, residing in the barracks.

Red Cross

Approximately 55 of the 75 local members of the Grey Ladies Society are wives of Turner personnel. They assist hospital patients and work with the Red Cross Bloodmobile when it comes here.

Dorothy Zimmerman of the Albany Red Cross Chapter said, "They do a wonderful job. We couldn't do without them."

Parent-Teachers Association

One member of the Albany Parent-Teachers Association council is a service wife. This council is small, composed only of the school PTA presidents and principals, and, as such, membership on the council is an honor.

Most school PTA's in Dougherty County have at least one member who is from a serviceman's family. However, the Isabella School and the Turner School have large representations due to their nearness to the base. Approximately 75 percent of the membership of the Turner School PTA are servicemen and their wives.

Schools

In the local white school system there are 11 wives of Turner personnel. The elementary schools have eight of the 11; two are teaching in junior high; and one is working in a clerical position with the vocational school department. While there are no Turner personnel aiding in the teaching duties of the vocational school at present, there have been two who did teach there earlier in the year. One was transferred to another station; the other dropped the off-duty teaching due to pressing military work.

In the colored school system the supervisor is the wife of a Turner enlisted man. There are also five teachers in the colored elementary schools who are dependents of Turner personnel.

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Church Attendance

In a recent (November 27) letter to the Base Commander, the pastor of the Byne Memorial Baptist Church here said, "We also appreciate the faithfulness of your fine Turner people in the various services of our church. They are some of the finest that we have."

We think this typifies the feelings toward Turner personnel in the various churches in Albany. However, no exact figures on membership in local churches, or attendance is available.

Another example is the Wood Park Presbyterian Chapel, located in an Albany, Ga. sub-division approximately six road miles from the base. In the services held Sunday, 13 December, fifty percent of those attending were servicemen and their families.

Fraternal Clubs, Other Organizations

The local Elks Lodge has issued a series of over 200 visitors cards to Turner personnel to allow them to visit their clubhouse as guests of the lodge.

The local chapter of the American Association of University Women has two members who are wives of Turner personnel.

There are three local lodges of the Masonic order in Albany, but the exact number of Turner personnel who are members is not known. A civilian employee of Turner, [illegible] Mason, estimates that ten percent of the membership [illegible], and that there are other air force personnel [illegible] attend meetings, but are not affiliated with a local lodge.

Sports Participation

There have [illegible] teams [illegible] in the various city intramural sports [illegible].

At the present [illegible] representing the Base NCO Club is entered in the city [illegible] league. During the recently completed football league [illegible] school students, children of Turner personnel participated, and in [illegible] Turner [illegible] sided in coaching duties.

Turner had a team entered in the city basketball league during the 1952-53 season, and the [illegible] football team made a fine showing in the city softball league.

The Turner [illegible] Sportsmen's Club, composed of hunters and fishermen, works closely with the [illegible] County Sportsmen's Club, especially with the view to conserving local game.

The Personnel Services Office, this month, participated in a conference to make preliminary plans for an all-southern AAU swimming meet in Albany next summer.

Turner's basketball team of the 19[illegible]-[illegible]3 season participated in a charity game (for the benefit of the March of Dimes) in Newton, Ga. on 28 January 19[illegible]3.

Nurses

The Dougherty County Health Department has one nurse who is the wife of a Turner airman; the Georgia Nurses Association has at least two Turner wives, and there is at least one who is a member of the Private Duty Nurses Association. At least two Turner wives have worked as a regular duty nurses at the Phoebe Putney Memorial Hospital in Albany.

Special Activities

Many Turner personnel [illegible] participate in the activities of the local [illegible] and American Legion posts.

The base sent a [illegible] speaker to Ashburn, Georgia, in August to help the community celebrate the homecoming of an air force sergeant who was a [illegible] home. The honor guard, composed of Air Policemen, [illegible] Fred [illegible] Houck, Base Manpower Officer, [illegible] base commander on the speakers' platform.

Over 100 pres[illegible] were hosted by Information Services Office on the base during [illegible] International Sports Car Races. This included five from the local [illegible]. Some 20,000 persons viewed the race. A civilian committee of [illegible] Albany businessmen and civic leaders aided the base in publicizing the sports car races, and in the selling of tickets [illegible].

Turner personnel, on two occasions, were called upon to aid in the search for lost children in the [illegible] area. In both cases, many airmen volunteered to join the search, and their efforts were appreciated.

A special Turner [illegible] was prepared for the Great Southern Trucking Company's House [illegible] request of the local manager. The speed in which the request was [illegible] was appreciated.

Turner has, on several occasions, assisted the local Organized Reserve Corps by furnishing speakers and/or films for their training sessions.

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The base has offered assistance to the local Civil Air Patrol.

Mrs. Betty McWebb, Public Relations Director for the Civil Air Patrol, has asked that Turner furnish a speaker during their recruiting drive next January. Major Bruce Bloom, who has worked with CAP before, has volunteered.

In a survey conducted by Albany State College in March 1943, it was found that 109 colored airmen attending the colored USO on a sample test day. The survey also concluded that the colored airmen were happy with the USO.

Turner personnel participated in the Georgia Recreation Society meeting in Albany in October of this year.

Following are excerpts from a "Turner Air Base-Community Cooperation" Report, reference recreational facilities, prepared within the last year by the Special Services office here:

"There exists between the military and the city of Albany the willingness and the understanding essential to the activation of a meaningful off-base program of leisure time activities. Only the permanent instrument through which this can be accomplished is missing. In the past, many desirable programs of mutual benefit have been successfully accomplished. Each, however, has been a separate project, lacking in continuity...."

"However, the establishment of an Albany Armed Forces Recreation Committee was hampered, as the report stated, "because 50 percent of the city council changes every [illegible] and a new mayor is elected every two years."

Strategic Aids

The NCOIC of Information Services Office requests that he be relieved of responsibility for answering the following: "Indicate areas of work in community which appear to need strengthening or spheres of activity which seem to be overemphasized."

NCOIC believes that information is more than satisfactory and that no spheres of activities are overemphasized. However, this does not necessarily reflect the opinion of this Information Services Officer, who is serving on temporary duty with the 1st Strategic Fighter Wing overseas.

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AIRCRAFT CRASH SOP
INFORMATION SERVICES OFFICE
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

SECTION I

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

1. The Information Services Office will be the only releasing agency for the facts and information concerning an aircraft crash or accident. All queries from news media will be referred to the ISO, Albany 3600, Ext. 606.

2. Regardless of their job assignment within the ISO, all assigned personnel will report to the office immediately upon receiving notification of a crash. ISO personnel notifying other office personnel, the individual receiving a notification will request the Motor Pool to furnish a taxi for use by ISO personnel. Call Ext. 304 or 305.

3. One representative, normally either the ISO or the senior NCO on duty, will depart [illegible] of the crash as soon as notification is received. In all cases, [illegible] will remain in the ISO to answer the telephone. Upon reaching the scene of the crash, the ISO representative will [illegible] to the Flying Safety Officer or other officer in charge. He will obtain all possible information concerning the accident and will relay it to the ISO by the most expeditious means. Telephone communication will be used if possible (long distance calls should be made collect to the ISO); otherwise the facts may be called over the [illegible] or transmitted to the ISO via returning vehicle. The ISO representative will use the most expeditious means to

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convey accurate information [illegible].

4. The ISO [illegible] not be permitted in the [illegible] it has been ascertained [illegible] classified equipment [illegible]. [illegible] the ISO representative [illegible] photographs, other [illegible] 6.

5. [illegible] media be forcibly [illegible]. If classified [illegible] red, consent to take [illegible]. In such cases, [illegible] pictures of classified [illegible] military authorities, [illegible] Stat. 737, 18 U.S.C. [illegible] the ISO representative [illegible] Section 793 (e) of the [illegible] years imprisonment. [illegible]

6. If a [illegible] military authorities [illegible] the ISO representative [illegible] or negative. [illegible] will be cut out of the negative [illegible] photographer. If classified [illegible] destroying

the negative, will immediately be turned over to the Office of Special Investigation.

7. The ISO representative will remain at the scene of the crash as long as news media [illegible] are present or until properly relieved by the ISO. It will be the responsibility of the representative at the scene of the crash to keep in contact with the ISO as long as he remains at the scene .

8. A log (Incl #1) will be kept at the ISO to reflect all information received about the crash and all information released to news media. Notation in the log will include the exact wording of the information, time received or released and the names of persons receiving and releasing the information.

9. All news releases will [illegible] in accordance with the styles outlined in Incl [illegible].

10. Information [illegible] follows:

a. [illegible] occurred.

b. L[illegible] accident.

c. [illegible].

d. [illegible], [illegible] an experimental [illegible], [illegible] the nature of a classified [illegible].

e. [illegible] flight or other non-classified [illegible] the cause of accidents, [illegible] USAF officers will investigate [illegible]."

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11. The new Department of Defense policy in regards to releasing of names of accident casualties [illegible]:

a. Accidents [illegible] Armed Forces installations -

(1) The [illegible] of the Strategic Air Command will be that [illegible] be made con- [illegible] delayed [illegible] thereafter as [illegible].

b. [illegible] -

(1) [illegible] accidents involving [illegible], commercial or [illegible] of accidents [illegible] and addresses [illegible] released immediately [illegible].

(2) [illegible] airplanes which crash [illegible] which cause [illegible] to property, [illegible] of civilian [illegible], [illegible] of the military personnel should be released [illegible] identification. If classified equipment is involved, normal security pre- [illegible] observed with respect to the equipment.

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(3) If the accidents involve military airplanes which crash in localities remote from populated areas involving no civilian casualties and cause no appreciable property damage, names and addresses of the military personnel may be withheld until next of kin have been notified. (Reference TWX [illegible]).

[illegible]

[illegible]

1. When an aircraft crash occurs off base during duty hours, the [illegible] ISO representative [illegible] will report immediately to the crash [illegible] Central Fire Station, Bldg. [illegible]

2. As soon [illegible] personnel [illegible] the Information Services office, [illegible] base [illegible] to get names of [illegible] clearance.

3. [illegible] to check on the condition of [illegible] personnel. [illegible] information released to news media concerning [illegible] in AFM 190-4, Chap. 3, par 20.

4. The [illegible] will be given to news media only after the crash has been definitely verified.

[illegible]

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SECTION III

OFF BASE CRASHES DURING NON DUTY HOURS

1. When an aircraft crash occurs off base during non duty hours, the person receiving notification or the first person reaching the Information Services office will notify all other assigned personnel to report immediately. As soon as one other person has arrived at the office, the ISO or NCOIC will proceed to the Structural Fire Station, Building _____, for transportation to the scene of the accident.

2. Personnel on duty at the IS will use established news deadlines as a guide in determining priority of release of information to different news media. Should the crash occur [illegible] early hours of the morning after a.m. newspaper deadlines and while local stations are off the air, attempts will be made to contact all media at half-hour intervals.

SECTION IV

1. In the event of a crash on the station, ISO or NCOIC will proceed to the scene of the accident immediately.

2. The Air Policeman at the main gate will be instructed to notify ISO of the arrival of any news media representatives. An ISO representative will then be dispatched to the gate concerned and escort the news representative to the scene of the crash. All news media will be escorted by an ISO representative while on the installation.

3. Personnel representing news media will not be denied entrance to the base, except on the express orders of the senior commander on the base.

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TURNER AIR FORCE BASE, ALBANY, GEORGIA

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40th AIR DIV.
and
811th AIR BASE GROUP

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313TH AIR TASK GROUP

TURNER AIR FORCE BASE, ALBANY, GEORGIA

(STRATEGIC AIR COMMAND)

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JANUARY 1954

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Base Commander

[illegible]
Brig. Gen. USAF
40th Air Division
Commander

LIST OF ILLUSTRATIONS

1. Pilot Ejection
2. Opening of Airmen's Service Club
3. Presentation of USAF Flight Safety Award
4. Award of Honor Flight
5. New Housing Development

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CHRONOLOGY

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2 Jan 54 - "March of Dimes" campaign inaugurated.

7 Jan 54 - Turner personnel donated $4,709.35 to various charity organizations in Dougherty County.

13 Jan 54 - Airman's Service Club was opened.

19 Jan 54 - Turner Air Force Base was presented the USAF Flight Safety Award for its outstanding safety record for the first six months of 1953. Brigadier General Thayer D. Olds, the Division Commander, received the plaque in a ceremony at Strategic Air Command Headquarters.

16 Jan 54 - The advance party of the 503th Strategic Fighter Wing departed for temporary duty with the Far East Air Force.

26 Jan 54 - The advance party of the 51st Strategic Fighter Wing returned to Turner after temporary duty with the Far East Air Force.

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ORGANIZATION AND ADMINISTRATION

I - ORGANIZATION AND ADMINISTRATION

In the opening month of 1954, plans were formulated to improve the caliber of personnel records and reports handled at squadron level. A 40th Air Division Inspection Team headed by Colonel Joe Williams, Director of Personnel, was established to inspect records and evaluate administrative procedures for purposes of standardization. The inspection team consists of specialists from the Base Personnel Office and Base Adjutant's Office. Reports are rendered on the status of officer's records, airmen's service records, airmen's qualification forms, the new filing methods set up under Air Force Manual 101-4 and the systems for securing classified material.

The Director of Personnel, 40th Air Division, published the results of a survey pertaining to the educational level of this command. Since the number of personnel with less than high school education has increased, the Base Education Office has set up courses to educate these individuals.

On the 1st of January, the Decimal Filing System was replaced by the subjective classification system. By the end of the month all the Air Base Group squadrons had the new system in effect and working smoothly.

In compliance with a Second Air Force Message,1/ a program has been implemented to improve the military discipline, appearance

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1/ TWX Lee, SAFOP 3431, dtd 30 Dec 53. (Exhibit #1)

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and general behavior of Turner personnel. Work hall is held each morning and the airmen are marched to work. This has cut the number of uniform violations and improved the overall appearance of the personnel. Area and barracks inspection are conducted by squadron commanders in accordance with this program. A formal retreat formation is conducted on Friday afternoon, one squadron at a time doing the honor.2/

2/ Photograph of formal retreat ceremony. (Exhibit 60)

PERSONNEL

II - PERSONNEL

The Base Personnel Office received a Second Air Force Message pertaining to wearing of the uniform,3/ and disseminated pertinent information to the squadrons. The new policy calls for military personnel to wear the uniform at all times while on the base. At first, attendance decreased at the theater, the NCO Club and Officers Club but the personnel have adjusted themselves to the new policy and attendance has almost returned to normal.

The Base Processing Center handled three hundred and eighty-nine (389) officers and airmen arriving and departing this station. In addition, the center completely processed the personnel of the 508th Strategic Fighter Wing as they prepared for temporary duty overseas. Each squadron furnished one airman to assist the processing center personnel in the expeditious handling of over eight hunderd members of the wing. The center was visited by a Second Air Force inspection team on the 15th of January, and received a rating of excellent.

During the month of January, one hundred eighty-five (185) airmen, thirty-two (32) officers and seven (7) reenlistees arrived on Turner. Captain Samuel Halburnt arrived from Kimpo, Korea and took command of the Headquarters Squadron Section. His predecessor, Major Vernie [illegible]. Black, became Base Adjutant on the eleventh of January. as Major

3/ TWX Msg, 2AFCS 1203, Subj: Wearing of the Uniform, dtd 15 Jan 54. (Exhibit #3)

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Edmond Fortin transferred to Barksdale Air Force Base, Louisiana. Chaplain (Major) Roland Remy became Base Chaplain vice Chaplain (Major) Luther MacArthur who was sent to French Morrocco.4/ The Deputy Base Commander, Lt. Col. Leaford Bearskin was assigned to the Far East Air Force on the thirteenth. A new deputy commander has not been designated.

Major Henry F. Benz arrived from Japan and assumed command of Supply Squadron on 26 January 1954. Major Carl Neiswender moved to the Base Materiel Office and assumed the duty of Staff Transportation Officer. Captain Thomas Whitney moved up from Supply Officer to Squadron Commander of Motor Vehicle Squadron upon reassignment of Major Neiswender.

Lt. Robert N. Best was promoted to First Lieutenant on the sixth and assumed command of the Food Service Squadron vice Second Lieutenant Lee R. McNair. Lt. McNair had been squadron commander for seven months.

Strength figures for the 811th Air Base Group show eighty-eight (88) officers assigned with one hundred (100) authorized. Seventeen hundred seventy-five (1775) airmen assigned against fifteen hundred sixty-one (1661) authorized positions.

Strength figures for the 40th Air Division reveal sixteen officers and seven airmen assigned against ten officers and seven airmen authorized. The total strength for the division and Air Base Group for the month is eighteen hundred eighty-six (1886).5/

4/ GO-3, Hq 811th ABG, TAFB, dtd 4 Feb 54 and GO-1, Hq 40th AD, TAFB dtd 11 Jan 54. (Exhibit #4)

5/ Strength Report, 40th AD, TAFB, dtd 31 Jan 54. (Exhibit #5)

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The new airman's service club was opened on the fifteenth by the Base Commander, and has been the scene of many fine parties since that time. New furniture and recreational facilities, bright and airy rooms, have made the "Glamcoat Club" very popular with the lower grade airmen.6/

The Classification Section of the Base Personnel Office was visited by the Second Air Force Career Development Branch. Personnel action memorandums, accounting charts and personnel problems were discussed, and several constructive suggestions were received from the visitors.

During January, the Civilian Personnel office accomplished a total of two hundred seventy-three work units. Sixty-five persons were interviewed for employment and fourteen employees considered for reassignment and training. The total authorized strength remained at two hundred eighty-one with two hundred eighty-four assigned.

January was a poor month in-so-far as ground safety was concerned. Six men were injured in private vehicle accidents, and eight received various injuries while on the job. The majority of the automobile accidents were attributed to intoxication of the vehicle operator and could have been avoided. The squadron ground safety officers lectured on safe driving during the unit training programs, and continuing emphasis is being given the safe driving program.7/

6/ Photograph of Colonel Easton at airmen's Service Club. (Exhibit #6)
7/ Ground Safety Rept., TAFD, dtd 1 Feb 54. (Exhibit #7)

The lighter side of the safety program appeared when Turner received one of six USAF Flight Safety Awards. During the first six months of 1953, this base had an outstanding accident prevention record. Brigadier General Thayer S. Olds accepted the award at Offutt Air Force Base on behalf of the airmen and officers of Turner.9/

The Personal Affairs Office handled the files and allotments for the 500th Wing personnel when they departed for the Far East. Besides the routine personal records and wills, the office sent letters to the dependents, offering assistance in case emergencies arise while the men are TDY.

Along with the division program to train airmen who possess a minimum education, the Base Education Office reported an increase in personnel taking USAFI and other correspondence courses.

The Base Recruiting Office recorded a total of twelve reenlistments.10/

The Chaplain's Section became part of the Base Commander's staff and is no longer a subsection of the Base Personnel Office.10/

Turner personnel donated over $4,700 in the Dougherty County Community Chest Drive. This spirit of charity did much to improve community relations with the town of Albany.

9/ Presentation of the USAF Flight Safety Award.(Exhibit #9)
10/ Historical Report, Recruiting Office, TAFB, dtd 8 Feb 54. (Exhibit #9)
10/ TWX Msg, 2AFTLC 2103, dtd 19 Jan 54. (Exhibit #10)

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Air Installations erected a plaque in front of the 40th Air Division Headquarters building on which the name of the Air Base Group honor squadrons for each month will be painted. The honor squadron for January 1954 was the Headquarters Squadron Section.11/

11/ Honor Squadron Award Photograph. (Exhibit #11)

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III - OPERATIONS AND TRAINING

The cold and rainy weather of January cut down many of the squadron training programs. Lectures were delivered on insurance, dependents assistance, character guidance, legal assistance and ground safety. On the 10th a command inspection of all personnel and barracks was held with several squadrons rating poorly and two squadrons, Air Police and Headquarters, greatly improved.

An operations order setting up a combat crew pentathlon, has been designed to test the physical condition, judo ability, aquatic survival and weapon proficiency of crew members. While still in the drafting stage, it is believed this program will be more extensive than the one held last year.

With twenty-five pilots present for duty, there was a total of 71 1/2 percent proficient in overall flying. Broken down further, the pilots were 75.2 percent proficient in night flying and 68 percent proficient in weather flying.

The Base Operations Dispatch Section processed 472 flights; this figure included transient aircraft plus operational and training missionsof Turner aircraft. Base flight aircraft hold an enviable record in that January marked the thirty-fifth accident free month for that section.

Nineteen officers and airmen were indoctrinated in the Basic Survival course. Work was begun on a series of towers to be used for parachute indoctrination. Instructions will be given on correct bailout and landing procedures to assist crew member's in the event they are forced to evacuate their airplane.

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MATERIEL

IV - MATERIEL

Base Supply, in conjunction with the Budget and Accounting Office, has opened a Local Purchase store to handle expendable supplies. Under instructions received from Headquarters USAF and the Air Materiel Command, the store stocks office hardware and automotive equipment for issue to the using organizations. During the first month of operation the store proved a valuable aid to the various units; it increased the amount of available materiels while decreasing the amount of paperwork and time normally needed to procure supplies. One sore-spot has been the delay in acquiring housekeeping items, i.e., brooms, mops, soap, etc. The Base Materiel Office has been working on a solution to this problem.

Two construction contracts, amounting to $34,647 and $68,687, were processed through the Purchasing and Contracting Office during the month of January. The Operation Control Section of Air Installations reported a landslide of work requests, brought about by the arrival of the Air Refueling Squadron, plus the normal winter activities. The power poles, near the NW-SE runway #14-48, were moved sixty-five feet back from the runway, to erase a serious fire hazard that had existed for several months. Now the poles rest one hundred fifteen (115) feet from the runway, giving a forty foot clearance from the parked aircraft.12/

12/ Ltr BMAIO 463 or request to Comdr. 2AF, dtd 24 Dec 53. TWX Mes, fm. Comdr. 2AF to Momdr, 40th AD, TAFB. dtd 30 Dec 53. (Exhibit #12)

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The late arrival of clothes from the supply depot caused sales at the Clothing Sales Store to drop appreciably during January. Receipts totaled $6,100 and the total inventory showed $24,700 worth of property on hand.

The Commissary Sales Store handled $88,700 worth of merchandise and foodstuffs, a decline of $2,100 from December 1963. On 25 January, evidence of a forced entry into the Commissary was investigated by the Air Police and a follow-up inventory disclosed a loss of twenty-two dollars in property. This figure was less than the allowable operating loss and no futher action was taken.

The Base Exchange began installation on a new air conditioning system. Expected to provide a cooler, more comfortable shopping area for the customers, it will be completed during February. Construction on the Service Station was delayed due to the death of the original contractor, but work should be started by the middle of February.

The new communications building was inspected for acceptance although it has been in use since December. Minor discrepancies were found in the heating and air conditioning systems and were being corrected by the contractors.

The new housing settlement, Rolling Grove Homes, located outside the main gate is still under construction. The first of the one hundred homes is scheduled to be opened for the first occupants on 15 March 1964.13/

13/ Photograph of new housing development. (Exhibit #13)

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ROSTER OF KEY PERSONNEL

V - ROSTER OF KEY PERSONNEL

As of 31 January 1954

Headquarters 40th Air Division

Brigadier General Thayer C. Olds	Division Commander
Colonel Joe R. Williams	Director of Personnel (Prim Dy) Executive Officer (Add Dy)
Colonel William D. Dunham	Director of Operations
Colonel Albert V. Emig	Director of Material
1st Lt. Don W. Sands	Aide-de-camp

811th Air Base Group

Colonel John J. Easton	Base Commander
Major Vernie C. Black	Base Adjutant
Captain John E. Schnell	Base Personnel Officer
Lt. Col. Fred L. Houck	Base Manpower Officer
Lt. Col. Armon C. Guthrie	Base Material Officer
1st Lt. Louis V. diDonato	Base Legal Officer
Major Roland C. Bony	Base Chaplain
Major William P. Kelley	Base Operations and Training Officer
1st Lt. Schuyler N. Berry Jr.	Base Comptroller
Major William P. Kelley	Cmdr, 811th Operations Squadron
Major Robert L. Devitt	Cmdr, 811th Installations Squadron
Major Henry F. Benz	Cmdr, 811th Supply Squadron

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Roster of Key Personnel - 811th Air Base Group (Cont'd)

Captain Thomas C. Whitney	Cmdr, 811th Motor Vehicle Squadron
1st Lt. Robert W. [illegible]	Cmdr, 811th Food Service Squadron
Captain Warren D. Greff	Cmdr, 811th Air Police Squadron
Captain Samuel W. Belmont	Cmdr, 811th Headquarters Squadron Section

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JEDBO/COMDRADIV 801 LOCKBOURNE AFB OHIO
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The first retreat formation for 1954 was conducted by the Headquarters Squadron Section shown here. Part of an overall policy to build esprit de corps, this ceremony has drawn many favorable comments from military personnel and visitors to this base.

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JESHN/COMDRADIV 36 HUNTER AFB GA
JESTU/COMDRADIV 40 TURNER AFB GA
JEDBO/COMDRADIV 801 LOCKBOURNE AFB OHIO
JESKH/COMDRADIV 806 LAKE CHARLES AFB LA
ZEN/COMDRSTRACONWG 72 RAMEY AFB PR
JWFPD/COMDRBMWG 340 SEDALIA AFB MO
JEDMP/COMDRABSQ 4002 CAMPBELL AFB KQ
JESPA/COMDR PINECASTLE AFB FLA
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2AFCS 1808. SUBJECT IS WEARING OF THE UNIFORM. MESSAGES 2AFCS
3852CMA DTD 24 DEC 53 CMA 2AFRA 3294 CMA DTD 29 DEC 53 AND 2AFCS
0326 CMADTD 5 JAN 54 ARE WITHDRAWN AND THE FOLLOWING
SUBSTITUTED THEREFOR. PENDING FIALIZATION AND PUBLICATION OF SAC REGUALTN
AND FURTHERANCE OF DIVISION AND SEPARATE WING COMMANDERS CONFERENCE
HELD AT HQ 2AF CMA 13 JAN 54 CMA THE FOLLOWINGPOLICY CONCERNING
THE WEARING OF THE UNIFORM IS FURNISHED FOR YOUR USE AND GUIDANCEGLN
1. THE UNIFORM WILL BE WORN AT ALL TIMES WHILE WITHIN THE CONFINES OF
THE MILITARY RESERVATION. A. WHILE ON DUTY CMA UNIFORM APPROPRIATE
TO DUTY BEING PERFORMED WILL BE WONR. B. WHILE OFF DUTY CMA UNIFORM

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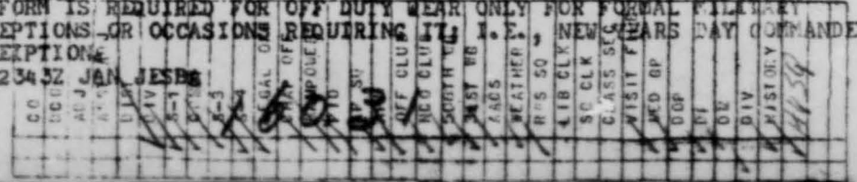
WILL BE STANDARC CLASS "A" TYPE FOR ALL MALE PERSONNEL. C. FOR EVENING
SOCIAL ACTIVITIES SUCH AS SCHEDULED DNACES AND/OR COCKTAIL PARTIES
AT THE CLUB CMA PLANNED DINNER OR COCKTAIL PARTIES IN QUARTERS CMA
THE WHITE SHIRT AND BLACK BOW TIE WILL BE WORN BY OFFICERS
2. CIVLIIAN DRESS IS AUTHORIZED FOR WEAR IN QUARTERS AND OFF BASE
CMA FOR THIS PURPOSE CMA WHILE TO OR FROM QUARTERS AND THE GATE. 3.
EXCEPTION TO THE ABOVE INSTRUCTIONS MAY BE MADE BY LOCAL COMMANDERS
TO HANDLE SPECIAL SITUATIONS; I.E., PARTICIPATION IN ATHLETICS CMA
COSTUME PARTIESCMA ETC. 4. THE CLASS "A" UNIFORM MAY BE WORN AT OFF
STAG NIGHTS CMA BINGO AND SMALL BRIDGE GATHERINGS WHICH ARE INFORMAL
FUNCTIONS. CLASS "A" UNIFORM IS AUTHORIZED FOR WEAR AT THE BASA
THEATER AND CHAPEL. 5. FOR EVENING SOCIAL EVENTS THE WHITE SHIRT AND
BLACK BOW TIES IS OPTIONAL IN THE CASE OF AIRMEN. OTHERWISE THE
POLICY FOR ALL RANKS IS THE SAME. 6. CIVILIAN ATTIRE FOR FEMALE
MILITARY PERSONNEL IS AUTHORIZED FOROFF DUTY ON OR OFF BASE WEAR.
UNIFORM IS REQUIRED FOR OFF DUTY WEAR ONLY FOR FORMAL MILITARY
RECEPTIONS OR OCCASIONS REQUIRING IT; I.E., NEW YEARS DAY COMMANDERS
RECEPTIONS
15/2345Z JAN JESBA



HEADQUARTERS
811TH AIR BASE GROUP (SAC)
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

GENERAL ORDERS)
NUMBER 3)

4 February 1954

I. STAFF ASSIGNMENTS.--1. CAPTAIN WARREN E GRAFF AO2244922, 811th Air Police Squadron, this station, is assigned as Provost Marshal (7724), effective 3 February 1954, vice CAPTAIN J. W. HENDERSON, AO574942, relieved.

2. CHAPLAIN (MAJOR) ROLAND C. RENY, AO529251, this headquarters, is assigned as Base Chaplain (7924), effective 27 January 1954, vice CHAPLAIN (MAJOR) LUTHER W. McARTHUR, 18768A, relieved.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMANDER:

OFFICIAL:

VERNIE C. BLACK
Major, USAF
Adjutant

JOSEPH E. [illegible]
1st Lt., USAF
Asst. Adjutant

DISTRIBUTION:
6 Comdr Second AF
2 Comdr 40th ADiv
20 Comdr 508th Strat Ftr Wg
20 Comdr 31st Strat Ftr Wg
30 Comdr 811th AB Gp
4 Historical Off
2 AF Ln Repr KCRC 601st Hardesty Ave
Kansas City 1 Mo
2 SO Sec
1 file

STRENGTH REPORTS AS OF 31 JAN 1954 FOR 40TH AIR DIVISION

UNIT	AF AUTH	SAC MAN AUTH	ASGD	ATCH	PFD	PNFD	SK	LV	DDY	AF AUTH	SAC MAN AUTH	ASGD	ATCH	PFD	PNFD	AWOL	SK	LV	DDY	CONF
Hq 40th ADiv	10	10	16	4	11			8	1	7	7	7		5	1				1	
31st SF Wg (TDY LOCATION)	154	154	124	16	128				12	639	639	642	421	935	1				127	
31st Med Gp	35	35	26		24				2	104	104	105	5	94	6				10	
TOTAL 31ST SFW	189	189	150	16	152				14	743	743	747	426	1029	7				137	
Hq 508th SF Wg	30	30	34		27			1	6	92	92	103	5	99				6	3	
466th SFS	36	36	43	2	35	1	1		8	56	56	73	9	73	1			3	5	
467th SFS	36	36	42	5	40			3	4	56	56	66	17	70	2			6	5	
468th SFS	36	36	41	1	33		1	2	6	56	56	70	7	71				3	3	
508th ARSq	110	110	106		102			2	2	229	230	243		240	1	1		1		
508th AEM Sq	9	9	7	2	8				1	213	213	194	27	182	3		1	12	23	
508th FM Sq	5	5	4		3		1			229	229	244	41	277	3	1		3		1
508th PM Sq	4	4	3		3					108	108	109	15	118	2			2	2	
508th Med Gp	17	17	15		15					73	73	69		66	1				2	
TOTAL 508th SFW	298	298	308	10	277	1	3	8	29	1145	1146	1203	121	1210	14	2	1	39	57	1
Hq 811th ABG	45	46	42	2	35			2	7*	207	209	265	5	217	5	1	1	20	26	
811th Sup Sq	13	13	12		8			1	3	302	302	330		255	2	1	1	17	53	1
811th Mtr Veh Sq	5	5	3		3					185	185	214		148	2			5	59	
811th Air Pol Sq	9	9	10		7			1	2	268	268	280	2	187	5			10	80	
811th Instls Sq	6	6	5		5					204	204	216		176	8		1	8	23	
811th Food Svs Sq	2	2	2		2					139	178	203		117	4			5	77	
811th Oprs Sq	20	21	14	3	14				3	256	226	267	2	210				17	42	
TOTAL ABG	100	102	88	5	74			4	15	1561	1572	1775	9	1310	26	2	3	82	360	1
BASE TOTAL	597	599	562	35	514	1	3	20	59	3456	3468	3732	556	3554	48	4	4	121	555	2
3944th RBS Sq	6		6	1	7					40		35		34					1	
1926-2 AACS Det	7		1		1					61		58		51				7		
26-3 Weather Det	7		6		6					15		16		15				1		
OSI	2		2		2															
TOTAL DETACHMENT 22			15	1	16					116		109		100				8	1	

Colonel John Easton, Base Commander, cuts the ribbon opening the "Flameout Club," the new airmans service club. Housed in the old Base Supply building, the club boasts several comfortable lounges, a game room, card room and auditorium. The personnel assigned to the club did the remodeling job with a minimum of outside assistance. Others in the photo include (from left to right) Miss Charlotte Harrell, Club Hostess, T/Sgt Clyde Monroe, Club NCOIC, Lt. Gustave Meier, Personal Services Officer, (behind Colonel Easton), Chaplain (Major) Luther MacArthur and Deputy Base Commander, Lt. Col. Leeford Bearskin.

GROUND SAFETY DEPARTMENT
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

1 February 1954

EPOS

SUBJECT: Monthly Summary of Ground Safety Activities

TO: Chief, Ground Safety
Second Air Force
Barksdale Air Force Base
Louisiana

1. The report below is submitted as of 2400 hours 31 January 1954 for the month of January, 1954.

a. Number of Safety Meetings held: 95.
Attendance: 9,844.
No totals are included for the 31st Strategic Fighter Wing, TDY.

b. Safety films shown: Six (6).

c. Number of Radio Programs: None (0).

d. Number of Inspections: 23 routine and 4 special.

e. Engineering:

(1) Advised on survival area jump installations.

(2) Advised on ramp traffic markings.

(3) Arranged for manufacture and trial of hose adapter for aqua system fuel unloading.

f. Special Studies:

(1) Assisted in contemplated revision of vehicle driver training courses.

(2) Advised on need of new and more accurate physco-physical testing equipment.

g. Special Events:

The Base Commander, Col. John J. Easton, addressed a few words on Ground Safety preceding film showing, 30 January 1954.

h. Personnel: A/B Harlan E. Kohlberg, AF 16 421 069, went AWOL following leave and has been replaced as of 1 February by A/3C William E. Lankford, AF 25 305 777, primary AFSC 70010, as clerk-typist.

i. Military Injuries:

(1) By Organization:

	Non-Disabling	TF	On Dy	Off Dy	Totals
31st SF Wg	1	1	0	1	1
508th SF Wg	7	6	0	6	6
811th AB Gp	13	1	0	1	1
MATS	0	0	0	0	0
3944th RBS	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	21	8	0	8	8

(2) By Types:

	Pvt Motor Vehicle	Sports	Totals
31st SF Wg	0	1	1
508th SF Wg	5	1	6
811th AB Gp	1	0	1
Other	0	0	0
Totals	6	2	8

(3) Civilian Injuries: Three (3) non-disabling, from Air Installations

(4) Military non-disabling injuries: Seven (7) on duty and fourteen (14) off duty.

j. Government Vehicle Accidents: None. There were three (3) non-reportable government vehicle accidents and one(1) non-reportable special purpose vehicle accident.

k. Rates and Costs:

	MAR	On Dy	Off Dy	Days Lost	# Inj	Cost	Cost per capita
31st SF Wg	3.58	0	1	4	1	$127.	$0.14
508th SF Wg	12.63	0	6	264	6	7,969.	$5.19
811th AB Gp	1.71	0	1	3	1	202.	$0.10
Others	0.00	0	0	0	0	0.	$0.00
Totals TAFB	5.98	0	8	271	8	$8,298.	$1.30

l. Posters and boards were changed as usual.

2. Materials from 2AF and SAC are not included as inclosures.

SAMUEL Z. ORGEL
Ground Safety Officer

2 Inclosures
1. Fighters in Formation, issues of 8, 15, 22, 29 Jan 1954 (quad).
2. Ground Safety Report for 1953 (quad).

USAF FLIGHT SAFETY AWARD TO TURNER: Brigadier General Thayer S. Olds, right, accepts a United States Air Force Flight Safety award from General Curtis E. LeMay, Commander of the Strategic Air Command. General Olds is commander of the 40th Air Division at Turner Air Force Base. The award went to Turner AFB for compiling the lowest fighter accident rate in USAF between January and June of 1953.

RECRUITING OFFICE
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

8th February 1954

SUBJECT: Historical report for the Month of January 1954

TO: Base Personnel Officer
Headquarters 811th ABG
Turner Air Force Base
Albany, Georgia

1. A total of twelve (12) reenlistments were accomplished by Base Recruiting Office during the month of January 1954.

2. The following is a breakdown of enlistments by Squadrons:

a Hq Sec 811th Air Base Group	1
b 811th Air Police Squadron	6
c 811th Installations Squadron	1
d 811th Motor Vehicle Squadron	1
e 508th A & E Maint Squadron	1
f 3944th Radar Bomb Scoring Squadron	1

3. Included in above 2. b one (1) enlistment was from Reserve Status to Regular Air Force.

EARL W. PALM
2d Lt., USAF
Recruiting Officer

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VVA017
VVA025
VVD014
JESBA 219
FM JEDBO JESDL JESNN JESKN JESTU JESPA JWFPD 777
TO JESBA 151
P 1921ØZ ZEX
FM COMDRAF 2 BARKSDALE AFD LA
ZEN/COMDRADIV 4 BARKSALE AFD LA
JESDL/COMDRADIV 6 MACDILL AFB FLA
JESKN/COMDRADIV 836 LAKE CHARLES AFB LA
JEDBO/COMDRADIV 831 LOCKBOURNE AFB OHIO
JESNN/COMDRADIV 38 HUNTER AFD GA
JESTU/COMDRADIV 40 TURNER AFD GA
ZEN/COMDISTNATRNCOMNG 72 RAMEY AFD PR
JWFPD/COMORDNANC 346 SEDALIA AFD MO
JESPA/COMORDRELYTENOUS 4200 PINECASTLE AFD FLA
ZAFPLC 21ØØ THE FOL DSG FR HQ SAC IS QUOTED IN PART FOR UR INFO
AND NEC ACTION CLN *LTT AS OF 1 JAN 54 THE CHAPLAINS FUNCTION IS
DELETED FR PERS AND PLACED ON COMDRS SP STAFF. NEC ACTION W/B TAKEN
TO AMND ORGN AND FUNCTIONAL BOOKS. REVISED 20-1 AND 20-15 FORTHCOMING.2
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Colonel John Buston, Base Commander, waits for the last letter to be painted on the new honor plaque. Located in front of Base Headquarters, the plaque will carry the name of each honor squadron in the Air Base Group. Captain Samuel Dalhurnt, Squadron Commander and Master Sergeant Victor R. Grinaigal, First Sergeant of the Headquarters Squadron Section, watch as their squadron is designated "Squadron of the Month" for January.

HEADQUARTERS 811TH AIR BASE GROUP
Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

BMAIO 463 24 Dec 1953

SUBJECT: Relocation of Power Distribution Lines

TO: Commander
40th Air Division
Turner Air Force Base, Georgia

1. Permission is requested to relocate the existing primary electric distribution line paralleling the old NE-SW runway 14-32. This must be accomplished to eliminate the fire and safety hazard to KB-29 aircraft of the 508th Air Refueling Squadron which are parked on this runway.

2. At present this power line is located fifty (50) feet from the edge of the runway. Due to the limited hard surfaced parking area and the need to provide a freeway for taxiing aircraft the KB-29s are parked with their tails off the runway. This arrangement causes the tails of the aircraft to extend under and beyond the existing primary power distribution line. If this line was broken during a storm, or by other means, and it fell across one or more of the parked aircraft, serious fires could result. This distribution line carries 2400/4160 wye voltage. It was constructed as a part of the utilities item in the FY 52 Public Works Program to supply power to the Armament and Electronics Building and other future facilities planned in that area.

3. There is no other way to park these aircraft at present and maintain the necessary freeway for taxiing aircraft.

4. Until the parking apron programmed in the FY 55 Public Works Program is constructed for the Air Refueling Squadron, this old runway must be used for parking, maintenance and taxiway.

5. The inclosed reproducible copy of the master plan shows the existing problem and the proposed solution. The relocation will not materially affect other phases of the master plan adjacent to the proposed relocation. The work can be accomplished by Air Installations personnel at an estimated cost of $650.00 and no additional funds are required. This cost includes raising the power line where it crosses over the old N-S runway 18-36 to provide free access to the 508th Refueling Squadron aircraft maintenance area.

Exhibit 1

Hq 811th ABG Turner AFB BMAIO 463 Subj: Relocation of Power Distribution Lines

6. Expeditious action in this matter is requested inasmuch as completion of other operational requirements for the Air Refueling Squadron are being delayed pending its approval.

/s/ John J. Easton
JOHN J. EASTON
Colonel, USAF
Commander

1 Incl:
Master Plan - Relocation of Power Distr Poles (1 reproducible & 3 prints)

BMAIO 463 1st Ind

HEADQUARTERS 40TH AIR DIVISION, Turner AFB, Albany, Georgia, 24 Dec 1953

TO: Commander, Second Air Force, Barksdale Air Force Base, La.

/s/ EF
JOSEPH E. ZUHO
1st Lt, USAF
Asst Adjutant

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ROBERT I. DeWITT
Major, USAF

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Hq 811th ABG, Turner AFB, Ga., BMAIO 463, Subject: Relocation of Power Distribution Lines

2AFMIA 463 (24 Dec 53) 2d Ind

HEADQUARTERS SECOND AIR FORCE, Barksdale Air Force Base, Louisiana
31 Dec 1953

TO: Commander, 40th Air Division, Turner Air Force Base, Albany, Georgia

1. This indorsement confirms message our Hqs dated 30 December 1953 to proceed at once with the relocation of subject power line.

2. Every effort should be made to coordinate the relocation to agree with master plan siting of proposed facilities and maintain proper clearance criteria from existing facilities.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMANDER:

/s/ R. E. Stauffer
R. E. STAUFFER
CWO USAF
Asst Adjutant

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ROBERT I. DeWITT
Major, USAF

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This aerial photo shows the location of the "Rolling Grove Homes", the new housing development presently under construction. Located right outside the main gate, these three-bedroom structures will rent for $80.50 monthly. The homes should be ready for occupancy by the fifteenth of March and will be leased to officers and non-commissioned officers on a percentage basis.

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4	K-Div-40-Hi	Apr/52			40th Air Division	U	
35		May/52				U	
95		Jun/52				U	
125		Jul/52				U	
163		Aug/52				U	
205		Sep/52				U	
232		Oct/52				U	
337		Nov/52				U	
418		Dec/52				S	
492		Jan/53				S	
589		Feb/53				S	
662		Mar/53				U	
743		Apr/53				S	
819		May/53				S	
884		Jun/53				U	
972		Jul/53				U	
1039		Aug/53				U	
1111	K-Div-40-Hi	Sep/53			40th Air Division	U	

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1170	K-Div-40-Hi	Oct/53	1		40th Air Division	S	
1350		" "	2			U	
1422		Nov/53				U	
1619		Dec/53				U	
1775	K-Div-40-Hi	Jan/54			40th Air Division	U	
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