



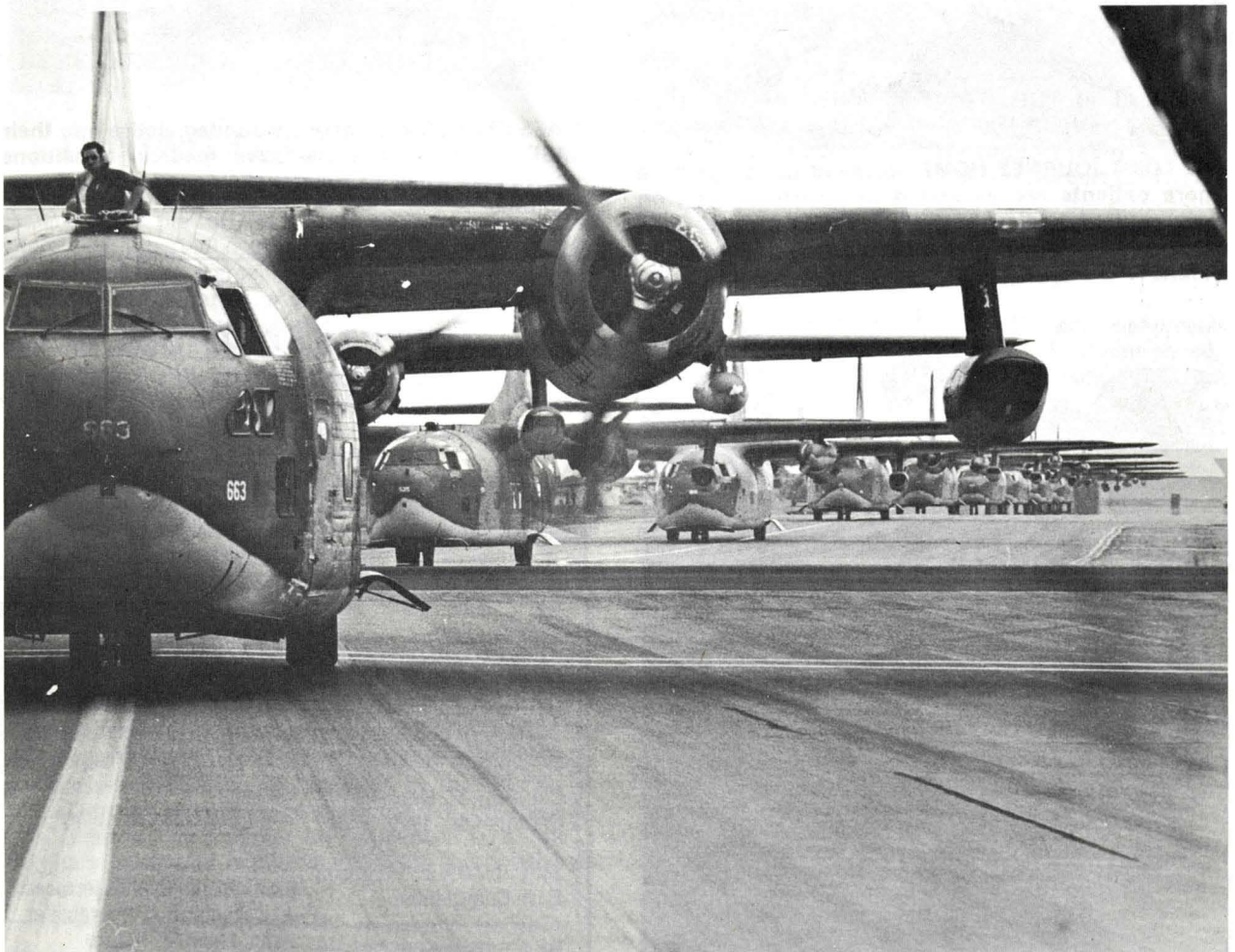
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TAXIING FOR TAKEOFF, 15 C-123s in perfect precision as they take part in North Forty III exercise. Photo taken by SSgt. Steve Vandermark as he rode in the lead plane, shows TSgt. Andrew B. Lown, 731 TAS scanning the area as his plane, #663, readies for takeoff. (Story on page 4).

Aeromedical Exercise—Realistic Training

Editor's note: As reported in the August 1975 Patriot, Westover's 74AES hosted seven aeromedical evacuation units from July 18 to the 28th. This combined training exercise produced the largest such effort in AFRES history. In addition to their support functions, 74AES personnel maintained their own mobile aeromedical staging facility (MASF) and treated volunteer reservists exhibiting counterfeit but authentic-looking wounds and ailments.



THE LONG JOURNEY HOME begins in the triage area where patients are evaluated and sorted based on their required medical treatment. Sgt. Don Myers (left) prepares SSgt. Bryan Vesper for his ambulance ride to an MASF.



74AES PERSONNEL carry a wounded victim into their MASF. Patients with stabilized medical conditions receive care while waiting for their evacuation to rear locations.



A DETAILED REPORT describing each patient's diagnosis and treatment is tied to a piece of clothing to facilitate ongoing medical care and transferring of information. SSgt. John Winter adds the latest data to patient 1st. Lt. Margaret L. Anderson's records.

1975 UTA SCHEDULE

September 13, 14

October 18, 19

November 8, 9

December 13, 14

HOURS: Sat., 8 to 5 — Sun., 7 to 4

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WESTOVER CRIME STOP

By John A. Renfro,
Chief of Security Police

CRIME STOP is a 24-hour—a day operation. It involves commanders, supervisors, military, civilian and private citizens at work, at home, and at play. They all make up the Air Force base community.

The program embraces crime prevention, trained citizen observation—crime detection, prompt and accurate reporting, and generation of a timely and effective police response.

Just a few of the goals to make our CRIME STOP program successful are:

Citizen awareness, cooperation, action and initiative.

Reporting, reducing and eliminating potential crime producing situations.

Reporting criminal acts as they take place.

Safeguard and protect Government property.

Safeguard and protect private property.

REMEMBER OUR CRIME STOP NUMBER IS 2020 . . .

DINING OUT UPDATE

Lt. Col. James Swindell and CMSgt. "Pat" Patenaude, chairmen of the officers' and NCO and airmen's committees, report all is in full swing for the annual dining out to be held by each group in October.

CMSgt. Thomas Barnes, chief master sergeant of the Air Force, will be the guest speaker for the airmen's affair which will start at 6 p.m. in the lounge of the consolidated open mess on the 4th, and Maj. Gen. William M. Lyon, chief of the Air Force Reserve, will be the guest speaker for the officers' dining out which will begin in the lounge at 7 p.m. on the 18th.

As we go to press, most of the tickets had been sold for both affairs, with the balance to be sold during this UTA on a first-come, first-served basis. This first of what is intended to be a 439th tradition, will also feature the presentation of several awards covering all phases of the unit's mission and personnel.

TEAMS FOR SPORT

All active and reserve units are encouraged to organize and prepare their teams for flag football, softball, tennis and horseshoe tournaments conducted by the 439 CSG special services section. Teams should register at the base gym (mini-rec. ctr.) during the September UTA. All necessary equipment for the tournaments and practice sessions will be made available.

RED SOX GAME

See the Boston Red Sox vs. the Cleveland Indians baseball game at Fenway Park on Saturday, Sept. 27. A bus will leave Westover at 11:00 a.m. Tickets are on sale at the consolidated open mess during the September UTA.

MOBILITY EXERCISES KEEP RESERVISTS PREPARED

The 439th conducted a 3-½ hour simulated mobility exercise on July 10. This latest simulated deployment location for the participating units, the 901st CAMS, 901st APF, 901st CEF and the 901st WSSF, was Ramey AFB in Puerto Rico, and the period of TDY was 90 days.



PASSENGERS BEING CHECKED OUT in the initial processing station during the August UTA are members of mobility enroute support team A, (from left) TSgt. Clarence Jackson, MSgt. Herbert L. Frizzell, Jr., and TSgt. Jean M. Gordon. Doing the processing are (seated) TSgt. Richard Eaton and TSgt. John McNamara, as Capt. David Carlson (right) and an unidentified monitor watch the progress.

Mobility exercises quickly and efficiently out-process mobilized reservists and cargo within a specific time period.

Personnel of the Military Control Center (MCC) are responsible for the examination of orders, shot records, clothing, weapons (if required), individual's weight, ID cards and dog tags. Tools and equipment are also checked for proper maintenance and operating condition.

The MCC also gives a concept briefing before the initial check of items while the aircraft commander gives another briefing before the reservists board their assigned aircraft.

Cargo, if required in the exercise, is also assembled and inspected before loading.

The exercise was the latest in a series of such activities designed to keep supervisory and participating personnel properly prepared for deployment.



AT THE MARSHALLING POINT on the ramp, members of the mobility team gather, inspect and safety check cargo before it is loaded on awaiting aircraft.

NORTH 40 III EXERCISE AT WESTOVER

(Story by Amn. Dean Mauro and photos by SSgt. Edward Anderson, 58APS; SSgt. Robin Ketcherside, 439CSG; and SSgt. Steven P. Vandermark, 439TAW.)

The western section of Massachusetts has seceded from the rest of the state in response to what it calls unfair tax practices levied by the Boston based state government.

The new state, Western Massachusetts, is preparing for armed conflict with Massachusetts troops. The states of Maryland, Mississippi, Ohio and Pennsylvania declared their support for the new state and have sent reserve forces to its aid.

This is not a late breaking news bulletin, but the simulated circumstances surrounding what was scheduled to be the largest Air Force Reserve-Army Reserve exercise conducted solely by reservists. North 40 III, the nickname given to the joint airborne exercise held at Westover August 14-17, remained an impressive operation despite a steady rain that cut short the operation.

The exercise included a series of air drops of cargo from 15 C-123s and a C-130. A scheduled drop of Army special forces' troops was cancelled because of the weather.



ARMY TROOPS BEING BRIEFED by Maj. Arthur J. Sorenson (left) on proper location to release a weather balloon.



AIRCROWS RECEIVE EXTENSIVE BRIEFING prior to first mission.

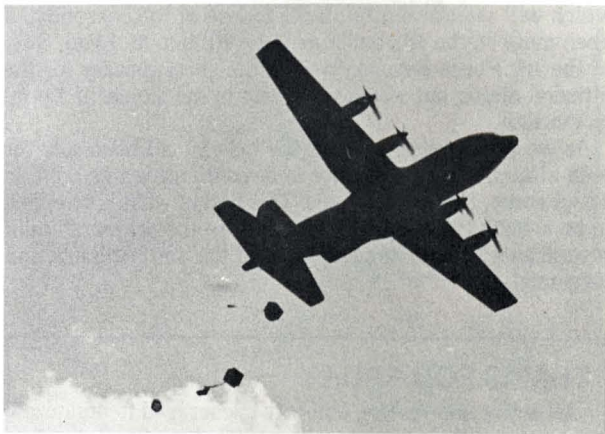
Over 400 Air Force reservists and Army reservists were scheduled to take part in the four day program to test their airlift and deployment capabilities. Air Force reservists from Westover; Rickenbacker AFB, Ohio; Andrews AFB, Maryland; Keesler AFB, Mississippi, and a unit stationed at the Greater Pittsburg Airport took part. Army units from Virginia, Ohio and Ft. Devens, Mass. were scheduled to take part.

An August 15 sortie by 15 C-123s flying in a formation was one of the highlights of North 40 III. The aircraft left Westover at 30 second intervals, formed into groups of three and made two passes over Westover to air drop cargo.

The first pass at 1000 feet included a drop of a light weight bean bag, simulating a personnel drop. The second pass at 250 feet included a heavy cargo drop. The aircraft landed just 15 seconds apart. Many of the participants were pleased by their performance. The pilot of the lead plane, #629, Lt. Col. Robert Springer, a flight commander with the 731st TAS said, "I thought it looked real good, especially since these are three units that don't usually fly together."

The loadmasters of Lt. Col. Springer's craft shared his opinion. "It was beautiful!" Sgt. Merritt E. Webb, 731st TAS stated at the conclusion of the flight.

"All the bundles fell in a real nice cluster," TSgt. Donald Chase, 731st TAS explained.

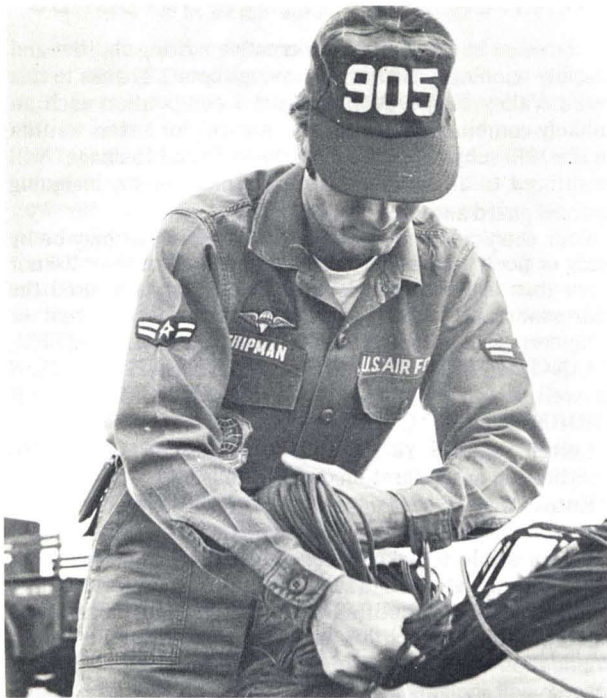


A C-130 FROM THE 337TAS drops two CDS bundles.

The praise of the exercise was not limited to just crew members, "The landing zone proficiency scores were outstanding. By the end of the day they were practically perfect." Lt. Col. Jerry L. Kintigh, deputy commander of operations for the 911th TAG at Pittsburg and deputy exercise commander, announced.

The 731st did exceptionally well in competition with the other units. 731st planes took first, second and third place and had the highest overall point totals among the participating units. Lt. Col. Springer's crew was rated the number one C-123 crew in the exercise.

Early Saturday morning a steady rain began to fall forcing the cancellation of the troop drop at Ft. Devens.



CHAINKNOTTING SHROUD LINES after bundle is dropped, A1C Robert H. Shipman, 905 APFit, packs the bundle for return to his unit.

While at Westover all the participating units were under the command of Col. Billy M. Knowles, commander of Westover's 439 TAW, with Lt. Col. Robert A. McMullen as exercise commander.

North 40 I was held at Selfridge AFB, Mich., North 40 II at Rickenbacker AFB where Colonel Knowles was senior air reserve technician and wing vice commander.

Colonel Knowles, a native Texan, allegedly nicknamed the project North 40, a Texas expression used to describe anything north of the Mason-Dixon line and east of the Mississippi.



SCORING THOSE IMPORTANT COMPETITION POINTS are Lt. Col. Jerry L. Kintigh, Maj. Russell C. Johnson and Capt. Anthony L. Liguori of the 911 TAG, as Capt. Warren A. Nightingale (left) from 439TAW/SE watches.

Base Commander's Message

By Lt. Col. Jack P. Ferguson

As summer wanes and families are preparing to send their children back to school, our base tour schedule will slow up. However, the base office of information knows it can still call on certain sections to receive visitors at a very short notice.

In an admirable spirit of cooperation, many sections and individuals have joined over the past year and a half to provide the best possible tours for our visitors, both young and old. We don't want to bypass anybody, but our sincere thanks go to the following squadrons, sections, and their assigned personnel:

1917 Comm Sq for tours of the RAPCON and control tower.

DEF for tours of the Fire Department

CSG/DOB for life support exhibit, photographer, and clearance across the airfield

SP for escort service and clearance thru gates

TAW/DOC for coordinating requests for static aircraft

LGM for setting up the static aircraft

337/731 for guides on the aircraft who obviously take pride in their aircraft

LGTV for providing a bus when we need it

Palace Option officers and CAP cadets who have acted as escorts.

THANKS

MOVING IN UP OUT

ENLISTED

SSgt. Robert C. Adams III
Sgt. Michael O'Brien
Sgt. Don K. Quick
Sgt. Paul N. LaRoche
A1C Peter A. Johnson
AB Diana P. Blencowe
AB Jarrett M. Cromwell
AB Jean A. Giannini
AB Sherrie Y. Melton
AB Kenneth E. Purdy
AB Steven Spratt

REENLISTED

MSgt. George A. Garney
SSgt. Andrew Fabricant
Sgt. Raymond L. Thurston

REASSIGNED

2d Lt. Richard A. Murnock
SSgt. Albert W. Drexler
SSgt. James F. Rasmussen
SSgt. Bradford C. Shannon
Sgt. Roy A. Boudreau
Sgt. Howard L. Carpenter
Sgt. Richard W. Connors
Sgt. Joseph Dibella Jr.
Sgt. Robbie P. Robinson
Sgt. Saint P. Walker
Sgt. John R. Woodworth
A1C Wayne P. Griffin
AB Philip L. Bennett Jr.
AB Brian F. Bond
AB Denise E. Cistare
Sgt. Francis R. Silver

*** OUR STARS THIS MONTH ***

Crew Chief of the Month
TSgt. Richard Stula, 901 CAMS
Safety Man of the Month
MSgt. Herbert Frizzell, 901 CAMS
Maintenance Man of the Month
SSgt. Stephen Howe, 901 CAMS
Maintenance Shop of the Month
C-130 Jet Engine Shop

"DISASTER" EXERCISE ANNOUNCED

Do you know what to do in the event the base disaster preparedness plan is suddenly activated due to a possible nuclear attack? It's your responsibility to find out and to do so immediately. Some time on October 2, during the 439th's summer encampment, a disaster exercise will occur and you'll be required to report to your assigned shelter or, if required, your duty station. The proper location for the personnel of each unit has been posted in hallways, orderly rooms and offices throughout the base.

As the disaster plan, dubbed Attack '75, will determine how Westover personnel would react under a nuclear attack, the time has been kept secret to maximize the drill's effectiveness. A continuous wailing siren will signal activation of the exercise. Everyone is expected to promptly report to his or her disaster location. Once logged in, nonessential personnel will be permitted to return to their duties.

Because this is only a drill, base facilities, such as the schools, open mess and BX will remain open. Dependents living on base will also be excused from participation.

"We'll be able to determine how quickly the base and unit functions could be restored after a nuclear attack and how well the base could maintain its Emergency War Operations (EWO) capability," declares Ralph J. Nugent, base disaster preparedness officer. "Contingency plans to minimize casualties and damage, relieve the suffering and care for survivors will also be evaluated."

The success of the exercise, as well as your survival, if such a holocaust became a reality, will be based on your participation and cooperation. If you are unclear as to your responsibilities or disaster location—check with your orderly room or call the base preparedness office at extension 3179. It could save your life.



GOAL: \$300,000—ACHIEVED: \$533,085.02
Westover personnel accounted for a 178% total of their goal set by AFRES for resources conservation. Shown with their certificates of appreciation for their parts in the outstanding showing are (left) Charles Vredenberg, Matthew Mszanski, Stevenson Jacobs, Myer Goldenberg, Stanley Golash and Robert Chaisson, as Lt. Col. Jack P. Ferguson, base commander, stands with the 439CSG personnel. Also recognized at the commander's call for their part in the savings were Bernard Ostrander and Thomas Bevan. Highest contributions were made by Messrs. Bevan, Goldenberg and Mszanski reporting almost a quarter of a million dollars.

ENTER ESSAY CONTEST—WIN BONDS

Interested in displaying your creative writing abilities and possibly winning a \$100 or \$50 savings bond? Thanks to this year's Valley Forge Patriots Award competition such an unlikely combination is a reality! Awards for letters written on the 1975 subject "Human Goals—A Proud Heritage" will be offered to all members of the armed forces, including national guard and reserve units.

Your entry need not be a "letter" as such but may be in essay or poetry form. Entries should be no less than 100 nor more than 500 words in length. If letter style is used the addressee may be any person or organization, real or imaginary. Please type NAME, RANK, SERIAL NUMBER, BRANCH OF SERVICE and COMPLETE UNIT ADDRESS as well as your complete permanent HOME STATE ADDRESS and ZIP CODE.

Letters should relate to the American Credo, the Constitution or Declaration of Independence.

Entries may be sent in any time before November 1, 1975 to Freedoms Foundation, Valley Forge, Pa. 19481. It may not be possible to acknowledge each entry and only those persons designated for award by the national awards jury will be individually notified of the results. Such notification will be a formal written announcement from Freedoms Foundation at Valley Forge on Washington's birthday. Awards will include a \$100 U.S. savings bond—series E and the Defender of Freedom Award; and additional awards of \$50 U.S. savings bonds—series E and George Washington certificates; and Valley Forge Honor Certificates.

Civilian employees at military installations and wives or children of service personnel are not eligible for consideration in the Valley Forge Patriots Awards, although we welcome their entries in other categories of the Freedoms Foundation Awards Program such as editorials, cartoons, essays (other than the above), public addresses or sermons relating to the fundamental freedoms of our American Way of Life. Military personnel are also encouraged to submit entries in these other categories in addition to letters on "HUMAN GOALS—A PROUD HERITAGE." Entries must be received by November 1, 1975. Acknowledgement of receipts of nomination is assured if a self-addressed, stamped post card or envelope is enclosed with nomination. **DON'T WAIT! SEND YOUR NOMINATION NOW!**



Wing Commander Col. Billy M. Knowles presents resources conservation certificates to 439TAW Maj. Ronald C. Wortelboer and Maj. Robert J. Motley.

IN TIME OF NEED—THE JUDGE ADVOCATE STAFF

Think of a judge advocate's office and some reservists might only picture lawyers deeply engrossed in complex legal jargon surrounded by countless volumes of statutes and law books.

While the rows of bound publications are certainly an integral part of their profession, the 439th's legal staff, however, is very involved with the many human and personal problems affecting Westover's personnel. Rather than dealing with the abstract and theoretical, their daily activities are quite possibly some of the most important services available to all reservists and upon activation, their dependents.

The 439th's two lawyers, Lt. Col. Edward D. Sullivan and Capt. Arthur J. King, have been serving as counselor and confidant to all those in need of legal assistance. Their breadth of accomplishments have only been bound by the many varied, routinely presented problems. A "permitted peek" at the office's calendar of appointments on three random days only begins to define their work and involvement with the unit and its members.

On one day, the staff's activities included:

Explaining the Uniform Code of Military Justice to reservists beginning their annual active duty tour.

Briefing the "admin shop" on the legal consequences and their obligations to a recently enacted Privacy Act.

Assisting an active duty Army major and his wife transferring overseas on short notice.

Advising the procurement office on some legal points involving a possible cost overrun on a construction contract.



HITTING THE BOOKS A competent and dedicated lawyer continues his law studies throughout his career. Lt. Col. Edward Sullivan, 439th judge advocate is no exception.

On another day, Col. Sullivan and Captain King:

Spoke at the wing staff meeting on Air Force Regulation 30-30, Conflict of Interest.

Helped an Air Force widow solve a legal situation involving her family and their automobile.

Clarified the jurisdictional claims of the Connecticut State Police who sought the arrest of an Air Force member at Westover.

Counseled on the use of Westover's security police and the government's Office of Special Investigations concerning possible fraud by an individual against the government.

On Sunday morning of the latest UTA, Colonel Sullivan counseled a recently enlisted member of the 439th on his legal rights and relationship with his civilian employer. The latter had threatened to fire the reservist if he goes on active duty.

Although employers are legally prevented from such action, similar incidents sometimes are threatened. Usually, a member of the judge advocate's staff offers the erring employer a brochure explaining the federal legislation. A reservist may not be fired or penalized, such as a loss of seniority or vacation time, because of his military obligation.

If still unresolved, Colonel Sullivan personally contacts the employer and further clarifies the disputed area. Continuing legal effort is seldom required.



CHECKING THE BOOKS . . . Periodic inventory of the law library insures the proper resources are on hand for immediate reference. Capt. Arthur J. King (left) assists MSgt. George J. Desrosiers in the necessary chore.

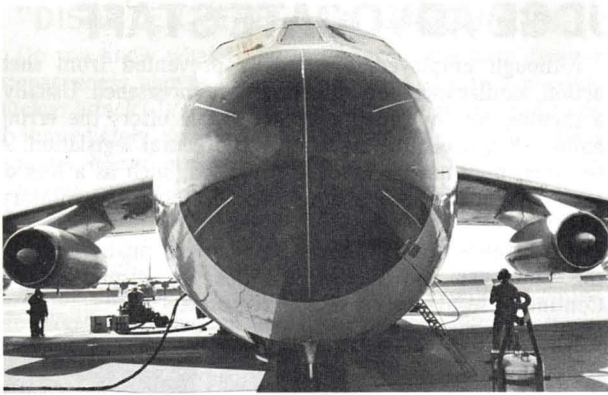
Ready, Willing and Able

Both Colonel Sullivan and Captain King bring to their reserve positions a far reaching legal background. Colonel Sullivan has been a practicing attorney in Bridgeport, Connecticut since 1960 and serves as director of purchases for that city. He is a graduate of the University of Connecticut and the University of Oklahoma School of Law. Colonel Sullivan attended the military's Judge Advocate General School at the University of Virginia and has been a member of the 905TAG and the 439TAW since 1962.

After a four year active duty tour, Captain King recently joined the staff and has quickly become involved in the office's operations. He calls Tufts University and Boston University School of Law his alma maters and maintains a law practice in Northampton, Massachusetts.

The necessary operation of the judge advocate office, which is located on the second floor of building 2211, is coordinated by MSgt. George J. Desrosiers. He is also responsible for the extensive law library and helps screen prospective clients. Newly assigned SSgt. William R. Brewster is a legal services technician. As a court reporter, he will take testimony, verbatim, in administrative and legal hearings. He is a graduate of the Naval Justice School at Newport, R.I.

While their work concerns them with all aspects of military affairs, from budgets to briefings, the judge advocate staff is strongly committed to assisting the individual reservists solve those problems needing the opinion and guidance of trained law professionals. In the true sense of the word, they are a friend.



JONAH AND THE WHALE . . . Various military equipment is easily loaded onto MAC's giant C-141s during Operation Brave Shield.

VERY SPECIAL VISITORS TO WESTOVER during the August UTA were 26 C-141s from five Air Force bases around the country. During their Westover stopover the aircraft were loaded with cargo, vehicles and a mobile tactical control center.

The planes were part of Operation Brave Shield XII, a readiness and training exercise for the Air Guard and National Guard units. Members of the 101 Tactical Control Squadron from Worcester, Mass., and active duty personnel from McGuire AFB, N.J. manned operations, aerial port, maintenance, transportation and supply positions while the aircraft were at Westover.

This base was selected because of the excellent aircraft guidance facilities and extended runway. Their final destination was Robert Gray Army Air Field, Ft. Hood, Texas.

WESTOVER'S YOUNGER GENERATION ACTIVE

Recently the Westover Little Leaguers and the Girls' Softball Leaguers turned car washing into a profitable venture. They are raising money to buy trophies and to help pay for an end of the season banquet.

Equally busy this summer has been Westover's Scout Troop 143. They have just returned from Camp Moses in Westfield and won every award offered except one,

including the Moses Award for practicing conservation with the use of scouting methods. Both scout patrols won awards for their teamwork, while the Ram Patrol won the patrol flag award for the best handmade flag. Even the scoutmaster won an award for having 75% of his troop at the camp.



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