

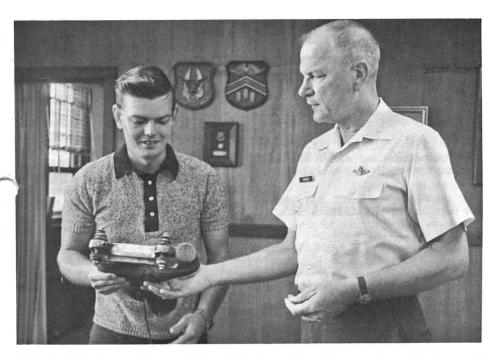


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A GOOD SKATE . . . John LeClair, left, shows Wing Commander Brig. Gen. Billy Knowles the skates he wore when establishing a new world record. The wheels have been removed for repair and reclamation; the tops are awaiting a good cleaning.

Records Broken but not Spirit

Westover's Sgt. John LeClair and his partner, Sylvia Haffke, roller skated their way between the pages of the Guinness Book of World Records after a grueling 111 miles nonstop for the Muscular Dystrophy Association. The two began in Agawam and skated until their arrival 20 hours later in Norwood, Mass., outside of Boston.

John figures they travelled at the rate of 6 miles per hour. The toughest part of the trip was through the mountainous terrain of Mass. Route 20, which presented the challenge of uphill going on rough macadam pavement.

They were successful in raising more than \$2,000 by recruiting sponsors for their voyage in the aid of the Muscular Dystrophy Association.

Sergeant LeClair works in the 439th TAW Field Maintenance Branch's Repair and Reclamation Section as a mechanic. Sylvia Haffke is employed as a professional roller skating instructor at Agawam Rink.

439th Will Fly with BOLD EAGLE

BOLD EAGLE '78 takes off on Oct. 11 for a month long training exercise involving thousands of Army, Air Force, Navy and Marine Corps personnel. Like other U.S. Readiness Command-sponsored, Joint Chiefs of Staff-directed, large-scale joint exercises, the 439 TAW will be a vital part of the activities which center around the Eglin AFB (Fla.) military reservation.

439th volunteers from all career fields are needed and urged to contact the first sergeants. At the discretion of the unit commanders, reservists may participate for one or two weeks fulfilling their annual active duty requirements or receive exercise mandays.

Members of the 731 TAS, their C-123 aircraft, 901 CAMS and other mission-support personnel will go to the Gulfport (Miss.) Air National Guard (ANG) Field Training Site. They'll be augmented by similar elements from 94 TAW and C-7A aircraft from Dobbins and Maxwell Air Force Bases. Their participation is between Oct. 24 and

The Savannah (Ga.) ANG Field Training Site is the staging area for the C-130s. The 337 TAS, from Westover, the 328 TAS, from Niagara, 905 CAMS and support element personnel will spend one or two weeks from Oct. 24 to Nov. 5.

They'll be joined during the first week

by ANG units from Mississippi, West Virginia and North Carolina. During the second week, the 927 TAW from Selfridge ANGB will be there too.

In addition, members of the 439 CSG and 914 CSS will set up and be responsible for all base facilities such as barracks and mess halls. They'll also provide bus shuttle services.

"There'll be opportunities to visit New Orleans and Savannah and there'll be a full recreation schedule," reports Maj. Arthur Sorenson, exercise project officer. "More importantly, reservists can't get this type of realistic, comprehensive training anywhere else."

BRIEFS

WING PICNIC PLANNED for Saturday, Aug. 20 at 4 p.m. at the Stonybrook Picnic Grounds. Included on the menu are steamed clams, chicken and corn on the cob. Dependents are invited, but they must have tickets which must be purchased in advance by their sponsors. Tickets will be available at the dining hall or from unit first sergeants from Fri., Aug. 12 through noon on Wed., Aug. 17. The price is \$1.05 for adults and \$.55 for children under twelve.

Recruiters TSgt. John Gamble, TSgt. Roger Perrault, and SSgt. Robert Mosely; Amn. Barbara Morris, 58 APS, and Firefighters John Flanagan, Robert King and Kenneth Morytko went to the Wilson (Conn.) Fire Department Annual Parade on July 14 in the Westover Float and P-4 Fire Truck. They returned, at the end of the day's competition, sporting the "Special Judges Trophy."

THE 1978 COMBINED FEDERAL CAMPAIGN kicks off on Sept. 9, 1977, under the
chairmanship of Col. J. Frank Moore, base
commander. Unit project officers will explain how members of the Westover community can contribute either in cash or by
payroll deductions.

TALKING ABOUT PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS... Those interested in investing in the country's future and their own financial security are urged to contact Mr. Dale Altman, base transportation officer, at extension 2121. He's coordinating the basewide Savings Bond drive. For a limited time, they're offering a special, get-acquainted offer of a \$25 savings bond for only \$18.75.

A belated welcome to three recently commissioned second lieutenants assigned to Westover for their 90 day active duty tours. 2nd Lt. Kent Berwick, a 1975 graduate of Worcester-Polytechnic is working with the civil engineers. 2nd Lt. Gary Collins graduated from Rensalaer Polytechnic Institute in 1977. He's assigned to the Wing Executive Office. 2nd Lt. Joseph Tavormina, a 1977 graduate of Manhattan (N.Y.) College, assists the Base and Wing Information Office personnel.

Base to Host Tourney Again

Westover will host the Second Annual AFRES Slow-Pitch Softball Tournament between Aug. 19 and 21, 1977. HQ AFRES asked the base to sponsor the commandwide event.

The first game will include Westover's team on Aug. 19 at 8:30 a.m.

Recreation Supervisor Mike McNicholas has received confirmations from the 442 TAW, Richards-Gebauer; 936 TAG, New Orleans; 315 MAW, Charleston; 914 TAG, Niagara Falls; 934 TAG, Minneapolis; 94 CSG, Dobbins; 927 TAG, Selfridge; and the 911 TAG, Pittsburgh. Other teams are expected to join the 16-team roster.

Metal Chevron Wear Date Changed

RANDOLPH AFB, Tex. (AFNS)—Air Force enlisted men and women can wait until Jan. 1, 1978, to start wearing metal chevrons on their raincoats.

The mandatory wear date was moved back from July 1, 1977 to afford clothing sales stores sufficient time to acquire a stock of metal chevrons.

Mandatory wear date for the metal collar chevrons on topcoats and lightweight blue jackets remains July 1, 1980.



THE LITTLEST CAPTAIN . . . Two year old Robbie Lawler seems to be oblivious to what everybody else was doing at a 58 APS family picnic held at Stonybrook during the July UTA. His fatigues are the genuine article. Robbie's mother cut down a set of fatigues his dad wore while on active duty. The young captain's father is Capt. Ronald Lawler, 58 APS air freight services officer.

Tsgt. Thomas Ruchala, 905 CEF, has been appointed Chief of the Rutland (Mass.) Fire Department. The 26 year old has been with the Department for 12 years. He has served as a training officer prior to his appointment two years ago as a lieutenant. He is employed by the Consumer Savings Bank, in Worcester, and also is on Rutland's Board of Appeals.

A CHANGE OF UTA DATES has been requested by 439th officials to AFRES head-quarters. The October, 1977 UTA, originally set for the 15th and 16th, will be changed to the weekend of Oct. 22-23. This enables the 439th to support BOLD EAGLE exercises beginning at that time. Verification of the switch will be made in a future **PATRIOT**.

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439th T-Shirts Go On Sale

Now you can be the first on your block to wear the new Westover/439 TAW T-Shirts. They come in a variety of styles and colors. Each features the legend "Westover Air Force Base, Ma." and the 439th emblem. Adult sizes cost \$4 while a child's is \$3.

The shirts, however, are not on sale at the BX. Rather, orders will be taken on Saturday, Aug. 13, at Nose Dock 36 by members of the 901 APF.

The idea for the shirts, their design and the initial capital came from SMSgt. Richard Jedrey and TSgt. James Gillett. They already outfitted 901 APF members with their own unit T-Shirt. "There's no profit from the sales," reports Sergeant Gillett. "We're doing this for two reasons. The shirts were not available before. Also, those who want to can proudly wear their unit's colors."

Chayes is Dining-Out Guest Speaker

Tickets for the 439 TAW's NCO/Airman Dining-Out are on sale at the Open Mess. Committee members will be available on Friday evening, Aug. 12, between 6 p.m. and 10 p.m.; Saturday, Aug. 13, between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. and every day during the encampment between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. The price of \$9 for an individual, \$18 for a couple, includes dinner, wine and dancing to the music of the "Inner Lites."

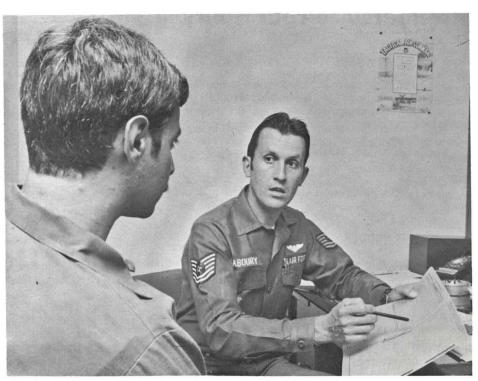
Guest speaker is Ms. Antonia H. Chayes, the newly sworn-in Assistant Secretary of the Air Force (Manpower and Reserve Affairs).

More information about the Aug. 27th event or ticket inquiries may be directed to CMSgt. Leland Spencer, Dining-Out chairman, at extension 3528; or CMSgt. Sidney Wells, vice-chairman, at extension 3807.

No State Tax To Be Withheld From Reserves

Air National Guard and Air Force Reserve will not have state income tax withheld from their monthly training pay. A ruling by the United States Treasurer said it was not the intent of Congress to withhold state income tax from reserve forces.

OCTOBER UTA FRI. NITE—22nd SAT—23rd SUN—24th



ANSWER MAN TSgt. David Gaboury right, 905th APF retention counselor, assists Sgt. Tony Staffieri during his annual retention interview.

Counselors Go To Sunday School

Improving the retention rate—everyone is talking about it, but what is being done about it? A lot, if you ask the 439 TAW's Retention Counselors. They recently completed a six session training program on Sundays of the past six UTAs. It was one of the efforts of the unit's Blue Ribbon Committee on Retention (see Feb. 1977 Patriot).

These additional duty retention counselors, from each 439th unit, meet annually with fellow NCOs and airmen, again in 13 months, and then three to five months prior to the individual's re-enlistment. They discuss his or her satisfaction with the Air Force Reserve, career progression and training.

Traditionally, unit commanders would select counselors based on the NCO's interest in the Reserve program. However, few airmen have had any training in proper interviewing techniques and other aspects of their new job.

Because of their increasingly vital role in the expanded retention process, the counselors needed a formal program to sharpen their interviewing skills and collectively discuss counseling experiences.

"The program wasn't the usual gripe session so many of us have sat through when trying to analyze why people leave," explains Capt. Barry Monahan, 439 TAW executive officer and special counseling project officer. "Actually, the counselors learned interviewing techniques and how

to search for the true reasons why some are not reenlisting. We showed how a counselor can help reservists resolve the conflicts and problems shortening their careers."

The counselors' training was divided into three segments.

The first approach used role-playing. Group members conducted actual counseling sessions before an audience of fellow counselors. Critiques, by the group and the interviewee, permitted constructive criticism and demonstrated new interviewing methods.

The second phase dealt with another aspect of their job. Because the counselors often help reservists with wide-ranging problems or explain the many Reserve benefits, TSgt. Dennis McGrevy, recruiter; and TSgt. Jim Freer, base career advisor, up-dated the counselors in all aspects of the reserve program.

Finally, in the third phase, Sergeant Freer and SSgt. Armand Tourangeau, also a base career advisor, reviewed the counselors' record-keeping procedures.

Did the courses accomplish anything? A lot, if you ask TSgt. Pete Fecke, 439CSG retention counselor. "It was very helpful. Motivating reservists to reenlist is not easy. You've got to find out the individual's problems, ideas and interests if you're going to succeed as a counselor. The suggestions from the role-playing are helping us do a better job."

Our Hours Are Your Hours

BX

(Reservists using any of the BX facilities during the summer encampment should bring their orders and current ID with them. Reservists may bring dependents with them. BX stores are closed on Mondays.)

MAIN STORE

Tues. - Fri. 10:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. Sat. (open 'til six on UTA weekends) 9:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Sun. 11 a.m. - 5 p.m.

BX FOODLAND (formerly commissary)

10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Tues. - Fri. Sat. 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. 11 a.m. - 5 p.m. Sun.

GAS STATION

Tues. - Fri. 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. 9:30 a.m. - 3 p.m. Sat. Closed Sun.

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(Dues: \$3.00 per month)

Breakfast - Mon. - Fri. 7-10 a.m.; UTA weekends 6:30-10 a.m.

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Dinner - Closed Mondays; Sun. - Thurs. 5-8 p.m.

Fri. - Sat. 5-10 p.m.

Lounges - Sun. - Thurs. 4-11:30 p.m. open to 1 a.m. on Fri.

and Sat.

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11 a.m. to 8 p.m. (may close earlier because of weather conditions.)

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(Includes weight room, basketball court, pool and ping-pong tables, raquet bass courts and sauna.)

(25¢ per day or one month pass: \$1.00.)

Mon. - Fri. 9 a.m. - 9 p.m. 9 a.m. - 10 p.m. Sat. (UTA) Sun. (UTA) 11 a.m. - 3 p.m.

FOUR SEASONS EQUIPMENT RENTAL

(located in the Security Police building)

1 p.m. - 5 p.m. Mon. - Fri. 9 a.m. - 11 p.m. UTA weekends

DINING HALLS

(Westover Reservists must bring their current IDs with them) Breakfast - 6:30 a.m. - 8 p.m. Lunch - 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. Dinner - 4:30 p.m. - 6 p.m.



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439th Gets The Once Over— Three Times

Fourteenth Air Force (Reserve), 21st Air Force, and the 317th TAW teamed up on a combined staff assistance visit to the 439th TAW during July's UTA.

Fifteen men from 21st Air Force, under the command of Lt. Col. Arthur C. Bennett, chief of the 21st Air Force Reserve Management Division, were augmented by 14 men from the 317th TAW Advisory Unit Team, Pope AFB, N.C., commanded by Lt. Col. Billy J. Martin, chief of reserve affairs for the 317th. Together they looked over the 439th TAW's flightline activities: flight operations, intelligence, aircrew training, aerial port flights, operations plans, Civil Engineering's PRIME BEEF Team, disaster preparedness, mobility and safety.

In time of mobilization, 21st Air Force, the Military Airlift Command's east coast numbered air force, would take control of the 439th's flying operations.

On the support side, 14th Air Force's 12-man team, under Col. Donald Lemme, 14th AF(R) director of operations, examined law enforcement, personnel, supply, transportation, administration, logistics plans, manpower, and safety. Upon mobilization, 14th AF(R), the 439th's present numbered air force, would retain control of the combat support group activities.

The wing's weapons systems security flights were given close attention by both 14th and 21st AF team members.

"I'd like to emphasize that we are a combined advisory team—a staff assistance team—not inspectors. We're the guys with the white hats," said Colonel Martin. A combined report, submitted over the signatures of all three colonels, was presented to Brig. Gen. Billy M. Knowles, 439th TAW commander, after the visit. Under the staff assistance concept, such reports do not go to higher headquarters for review. The purpose of these visits—and reports—is not evaluation, but rather to help thewing prepare for the real evaluation: the Operational Readiness Inspection (ORI).

The team inbriefing took place July 15, on the eve of the UTA. The combined team outbriefed on July 18, meeting informally with the wing commander and his key staff. The written report was submitted the same day.

It was a learning experience all around. "We like to conduct these visits," said Colonel Martin. "We learn as much from the units we visit as they learn from us."

The next step for the 439th is to act on what it has learned about itself—acting before the ORI.



OBSERVER—TSgt. John T. Medford, left, 317th TAW at Pope AFB, N.C., watches as SSgt. Paul N. Larochelle, 731 TAS Life Support, center; and TSgt. Raymond Knox, 337 TAS Life Support NCOIC, right, inspect the contents of a rubber life raft. Sergeant Medford was a member of an annual staff assistance visit team during the July UTA.



VISITORS FROM PERU Peruvian Air Force General Carlos Arrisueno, second from right, front, and members of his staff visit the 901st and 905th APFs to evaluate equipment in use at Westover. With the general, are from left, Col. Guillermo Lock, Mr. John Schumann, Lt. Col. Howard E. Mangin, behind the general, and Mr. Zwi Sudeit. Gen. Arrisueno, the Peruvian equivalent to the Commander-in-Chief of Military Airlift Command, also watched both the C-123 and C-130 training drops that day. Colonel Mangin represented the wing commander, and SMSgt. John Bostic represented the base commander, who was away accepting the 439th CSG's outstanding nonflying unit citation.



PRE-BASIC TRAINING—Palace Option officer 2nd. Lt. Joseph A. Tavormina puts a flight of pre-basic trainees, known as "Pre-Bs" through close order drill. The voluntary program was put into operation at Westover in April of 1975 under the direction of Lt. Col. Larry Bryant. Colonel Bryant says the program is designed to ease recruits into boot camp from civilian life and to give them an edge in basic training.

439th Emblem Depicts 439th Mission

McDonald's Restaurant has its "golden arches"; Prudential Insurance uses the Rock of Gibraltar: and CBS Television has its "eye". Each of these symbols, or logos, like those used by most companies, graphically portrays some of the organization's characteristics and qualities.

The 439 TAW has its own representation—its shield. Designed by the Heraldry Unit at Lackland AFB, it represents some of the unit's diverse responsibilities and training.

The wings symbolize the 439th's supervision of the tactical airlift squadrons. The chevron and the three rectangular symbols in the base refer to the tactical airlift support of personnel, equipment and supplies.

The emblem's colors also were chosen with care. The blue and yellow are the Air Force colors while the chevron's red and white indicate the 439th's ability to aeromedically evacuate hospital patients.

731st TAS Aircraft Attends Reunion

August, 1977

"Patches," the 439th TAW C-123K which picked up 3,285 holes in action over Vietnam, recently highlighted a reunion of the men who flew her and her sister-ships. The reunion of RANCH HAND crews was held at Hurlburt Fld, Fla., on June 25.

RANCH HAND personnel, (officially the 12th Air Commando Squadron) flew a variety of dangerous low-level missions. But on the reunion day, a crowd of former RANCH HAND veterans and their families were in a festive mood as they met the Westover aircraft. They came out to greet the bird beside the Hurlburt tower. "Patches" was a hit.

Ranking man to meet the old warhorse was Brig. Gen. James S. Connell, commander of RANCH HAND during May 1968 - May 1969. SSgt. Wayne L. Sanborn, 901st CAMS crew chief on "Patches," presented a Vietnamese insignia used on the plane in Indochina to the general on behalf of the 439th Tactical Airlift Wing.

Sergeant Sanborn not only served with other RANCH HAND crew members during the war. He flew on Patches and won a Purple Heart after he was wounded in the craft.

Also on the "Patches" crew for the training-mission-cum-reunion flight were Capt. Richard T. Iannacone, pilot; and 1st Lt. James L. Gooding, co-pilot.

IN MEMORIAM

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PROMOTED

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A1C Thomas J. Marchetti A1C Arnold L. Martin, Jr. A1C Steven R. Roudi A1C Michael A. Spano Amn. Maureen G. Haddock Amn. Eddie A. Sheats

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Sgt. Alan A. Leporati
Sgt. Joseph M. Meehan
Sgt. David W. Shannon
Sgt. Bruce F. Shick
Sgt. Shelby R. Sykes
Sgt. Richard J. Thomas
Sgt. Craig I. Willison
Sgt. Edward G. Zalucki, Jr.
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Clinic Gets New M.D.

By A1C Dean Mauro

Westover's 439th Tactical Hospital has a new Chief of Flight Medicine and a new Chief of Aerospace Medicine. Both positions are being filled by Maj. Warner Jones, M.D., a new reservist, who spent several years on active duty in the early sixties.

At Westover, Dr. Jones is responsible for keeping the flight crews in good enough health to keep flying. This job involves both traditional, preventative medicine, such as giving periodic physicals, and, if the need arises, emergency medical care.

Major Jones is not only a physician. While on active duty attending medical school, he was given flight training by the Air Force, and was awarded his flight surgeon's wings. Major Jones also pilots his own Piper Cherokee.

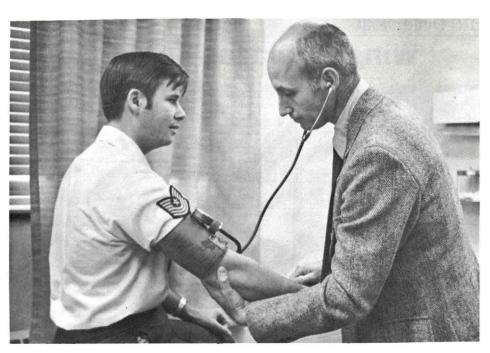
It was his love of flying that brought Major Jones back to the Air Force after 13 years of civilian life. Dr. Jones says he joined the reserves to "do some flying and to lend a hand."

While on active duty, from 1962-64, Maor Jones was head of Aerospace Medicine for the 26th Air Division at Hancock AFB and Steward AFB, New York.

In civilian life, Dr. Jones lives in Charleston, New Hampshire, and is head of internal medicine at a hospital in Springfield, Vermont.



IT WASN'T HOT ENOUGH . . . SSgt William B. Bernotsa and SSgt. John A. Kenson, on annual 905th Civil Engineering Flight field training, feed a portable heater with wood scrounged from their bivouac area.



SOUNDS GOOD Maj. (Dr.) Warner Jones checks Senior Recruiter Sherman Williams' blood pressure. The New Hampshire native was recently assigned to the 439th Tac. Hosp.

905 CEF Conducts Field Training

By Lt. Col. Gerard Pelletier

To a casual observer visiting Westover AFB on July 16, it may have appeared that Westover AFB was being invaded by an Army Battalion. A convoy composed of Army trucks and jeeps was seen moving cautiously from the 905th CEF compound to the base antenna farm. The trucks and jeeps in this apparent invasion were indeed Army vehicles furnished by the Army Reserve 3rd Battalion, 35th Infantry. The occupants, however, were members of the 905th CEF, participating in its annual bivouac training exercise.

As the convoy was traveling toward the bivouac site, it was subjected to several simulated attacks. Using effective radio communication and convoy tactics, the 905th CEF automatic riflemen were strategically dispersed from the trucks to repel the attackers.

Upon arrival at the camp site, a team was sent to the bivouac area to determine if the site was secured. Subsequently, a perimeter defense was set up, followed by the erection of tents, establishment of sanitary, mess and power distribution facilities. During this bivouac training, members operated emergency equipment such as generators and water pumping equipment. Night security on a revolving basis was established during this overnight bivouac exercise.

This entire operation, which is a mandatory requirement for PRIME BEEF teams such as the 905th CEF, was directed by PRIME BEEF Manager Major Richard D. Cosgrove with assistance from NCOIC CMSgt. Albert Aniello.

On July 17, the bivouac camp was dismantled, ending the successful field training exercise. As the personnel were storing their mobility bags, they were heard to say, "sleeping bags, C rations, field sanitation, all night security, C-130-size mosquitos; that was no picnic."

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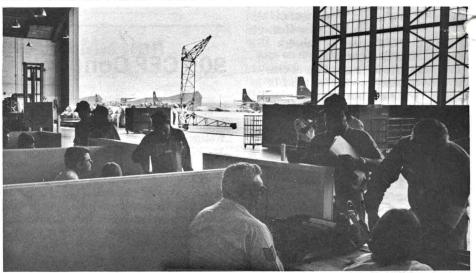
CHECKING THE STRAPS—SSgt. Claude Thompson, 59APS; A1C Edward Healey, 439CE; and TSgt. Bruce Wood 59APS; left to right, inspect the straps on a pallet load for tightness at the mobility martialling area.



TIGHT SECURITY—SrA Bill Tierney, 905WSF, maintains a watchful vigil prohibiting the entry of unauthorized personnel into the Wing Command Post.



EASY DOES IT—TSgt Leroy Johnson, left guides Sgt. Larry Pickett as he operates a ten thousand pound forklift into silhouette pattern as part of July's practice ORI. Both men are with the 439CSG Vehicle Maintenance.



RECORDS CHECK—Mobilization augmentees are silhouetted against the C-123 flightline as they move through the processing line.

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