CAP Plays Santa to Needy Indians

MAXWELL AFB, Ala.—It all started with one man on vacation who, like thousands of others, toured a Navajo Indian reservation in Arizona. What John Layne of San Jose, Calif., saw moved him—and the move he started created a tremendous stir in the San Francisco Bay area.

The conditions under which Navajos still live—much as did their ancestors—surprised Layne, a warrant officer in Civil Air Patrol (CAP), to action. He decided in November of last year, to collect a few Christmas packages to send to the needy Indians he had seen.

Members of Peninsula Group 2, California Wing of CAP, of which Layne also is a member, pitched in to help and the word spread—by word of mouth, by radio, newspaper, and television. Hundreds of people became involved including those in churches, schools, and youth groups. Civil Air Patrol volunteers directed and were responsible for the operation.

Why Civil Air Patrol? The organization is famous for its search and rescue efforts across the nation but many of its other benevolent activities—flying needed blood plasma to hospitals, airlifting suffering people from remote areas, assisting with relief in floods, blizzards, and hurricanes—are often overlooked. Project Navajo was a natural.

Before it was all over, more than 14 days of the lives of two blankets and clothing had been collected—in brief three weeks time. Logistics became such a massive problem that members of the armed forces were called in to assist.

CIVIL AIR PATROL
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National Executive Committee Appoints
Region Commander Interim Commanders

MAXWELL AFB, Ala.—Col. William H. Ramsey of Hopkins, Minn., was named commander of the North Central Region, two wing commanders were promoted to full colonel, and seven other CAP officers appointed interim wing commanders recently as the National Executive Committee concluded two days of management talks.

Ramsey succeeds Col. Richard T. Murphy as the commander of the region composed of seven north central states with more than 3,180 members of whom 1,590 are rated pilots.

Promoted to colonel were Charles E. Hallenbeck of Montana, and Arthur P. Schneider of Illinois.


Colonel Ramsey has commanded the Minnesota Wing since October, 1968.

A pilot command with more than 3,000 flying hours, Ramsey joined Civil Air Patrol in October, 1961. He served in various positions at both squadron and wing level before his present appointment. Among the positions he held were squadron assistant operations officer, operations officer, squadron commander, wing air inspector, wing executive officer, and wing commander, and commander.

Among his decorations are the Red, White and Blue Service Ribbons, the Meritorious Service Ribbon with one Bronze Clasp, the Jet Orientation Ribbon and the Air Rescue Ribbon.

He is the vice-president of the Larry Wilson Corporation in Minneapolis, vice-president of the Minnesota Society and director of the Civilian Pilot’s Association. Colonel Ramsey is also a member of the Exchange Club and winner of the 1966 “Save-A-Life” award for emergency airlift of blood to Huron under IFR conditions.

Oregon Information Officer Awarded Bronze Valor Medal For Saving Child

PORTLAND, Ore.—CAP Lt. Frank Wrakewatz, information officer for the Multnomah County Squadron, received the Civil Air Patrol Bronze Medal of Valor recently during the Oregon Wing’s annual conference.

Lieutenant Wrakewatz is credited with saving the life of an eight-month-old baby girl in a dramatic rescue from a burning motel unit.

According to reports, the child’s parents fed her, put her to bed, locked the door and went on an errand down the street. Lieutenant Wrakewatz, who happened to be driving by, noticed the motel unit on fire. He summoned another passerby, an off-duty policeman, and, together, they tried to get in the door. They were unable to do so and, hearing the baby’s cries from inside, the policeman broke open the window. Lieutenant Wrakewatz later in and carried the child to safety.

Firemen, summoned to the scene, said that if the child had not been rescued at that time, she would probably have suffocated from smoke inhalation in a few more minutes.

The lieutenant was also honored by the fire department in Milwaukee, Ore., a Portland suburb, at a banquet in his honor. He received the Hero Medal from the department.

Civil Air Patrol Records Busy Year

Had a busy year?

So has Civil Air Patrol! And if you don’t believe it, take a look at the following highlights, taken from Civil Air Patrol News for you management talks here.

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**Colonel Cox Represents Commander At Aerospace, Oceanology Seminar**

**MAXWELL AFB, Ala.—Col. Omer L. Cox, CAP-USAF's vice commander, represented Brig. Gen. Richard N. Ellis, CAP's national commander, at an Aerospace and Oceanology Seminar.**

Colonel Cox was an honored guest at the Smithsonian Institution's Museum of History and Technology in Washington, D.C. The two-day seminar was sponsored jointly by The Link Foundation, University of Nebraska and Smithsonian Institution.

One of the featured speakers was Dr. Theodore C. Marrs, deputy for reserve affairs, Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Manpower and Reserve Affairs, who discussed "Training Air Force Officers for the Aerospace Age.

Other highlights of the seminar included speeches by Paul W. Cherington on the 'Transportation Crises'; Thomas D. Fontaine's and Robert Abel's panel discussion on "The National Science Foundation's Programs with Projections"; Brian H. Mason and William G. Nelson's talk on the "Implications of the Apollo 11 Landing for Lunar Science." Richard W. Cooper's explanation of "Implications of Space Exploration for State Education Programs."

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**Sioux Falls Wins Two Citations**

**SIoux FALLS, S.D.**—The Sioux Falls Senior Emergency Squadron is proud of its achievement in winning two CAP Unit Citation awards for the same year as a result of participating in a natural emergency and during an annual convention.

The squadron earned its first CAP Unit Citation at the Unit's 1969 convention by providing personnel and equipment to help firemen battle a large brush fire. The unit also had its members, their families and their equipment on hand to help heroically screen the flood waters and bolster the efforts of the American Red Cross and other rescue agencies.

The second citation was awarded to the squadron for assistance during a simulated disaster. Sioux Falls police, fire and emergency services personnel, along with the unit, set up a realistic hostage situation. The unit then helped put the situation "on" and "off." This activity was held in conjunction with the annual Law Enforcement Conference at South Dakota State University.

Lieutenant Goss entered the intensive 12-week course in early September. OTS provides basic officer military training for college graduates seeking commissioned officer training. For many with no prior military background or training, the OTS "dawn-to-dusk" schedule of academic, military and physical conditioning is a jolt but for Lieutenant Goss it was easier because of his CAP experience.

He entered the Civil Air Patrol in 1961 as a member of the Massachusetts Wing and during his CAP service attended five summer encampments at Air Force installations, serving as cadet commander and being a member of staff posts two others. In 1965, Lieutenant Goss participated in the International Air Cadet Exchange planning conference. Civil Air Patrol and Air Force guests were hosted by the Council, which governs the famed British capital. Mrs. Cox was particularly interested in plans to expand the exchange of girl cadets. (Photo courtesy of London Town Council.)

**Success of Cadet Special Activities Program Rests on Sufficient Senior Members Applying**

**MAXWELL AFB, Ala.**—The success of cadet special activities largely depends upon a sufficient number of senior members serving as escort and staff officers," announced Lt. Col. Virgil W. Carter, CAP-USAF's cadet program director.

Quotas for 128 senior members were distributed among all Civil Air Patrol wings, said Colonel Carter as he pointed out that this was the minimum requirement if all activities are to be conducted successfully.

Commands should encourage applicants to indicate several preferences as it may not be possible to assign selectees to their first choice because of too many applicants for a particular duty.

Each wing commander must forward one copy of CAP Form 70 to National Headquarters (CFC) by Feb. 1 on all primary and alternate selectees. The commander's attention is directed to the contents of letters dated Oct. 24 and 30 titled: "Cadet Special Activity Quotas for 1970 and 1970 Cadet Special Activities."

**Former Member Receives Air Force Pilot's Wings**

**DUBUQUE, Iowa**—Second Lt. David H. Adams of Dubuque Composite Sq., Iowa Wing, was awarded his Air Force pilot wings at Vance AFB, Okla., in October. He was rated in the upper 10 percent of the graduates of the jet pilot's class and received a trophy distinguishing him an outstanding graduate leader.

While a member of Dubuque Composite Squadron, Adams became the first cadet to receive the Gen. Carl A. Spaatz educational achievement award in the North Central Region. He joined the Air Force on graduating from the University of Dubuque last year and in December married Cadet Maj, Sharon Burns of Dubuque.
Civil Air Patrol Mourns
Brothers Killed in Vietnam

PATRICK AFB, Fla. — Two brothers, who were former Civil Air Patrol members, were killed in the crash of a U.S. Air Force C-123 in South Vietnam last week.

A new 1970 CAP Cadet Program is Delayed

MAXWELL AFB, Ala. — The new Civil Air Patrol cadet program will become optional July 1, 1970, rather than Jan. 1, 1970, as previously announced.

California Wing Assists
Missing Airplane Search

BURBANK, Calif. — A Beech Bonanza with four persons on board exploded in a swamp near Burbank, Calif., Dec. 10, after being shot down by enemy fire.

Civil Air Patrol Marks
Crash Site For NTSB

LAKE GEORGE, N.Y. — The final report of Mohawk Airlines Flight 411, which recently crashed on a flight from Albany to Great Falls, was presented in Washington, D.C., Nov. 10 by General W. B. KaBaker, president of the corporation.

Alaskans Mark
Anniversary At Luncheon

ANCHORAGE, Alaska — The Alaska Wing was hosted by the Anchorage Chamber of Commerce Dec. 1 at a luncheon to mark the organization's 28th anniversary.

Civil Air Patrol
Advisory To Staff

PORTLAND, Ore. — Gov. Thomas McCall, Oregon's chief executive, has appointed Capt. O. A. Donaldson, Oregon Wing commander, advisor to the governor on Civil Air Patrol affairs.

Happy Birthday to CAP's
40-Year-Old Aircraft

On Jan. 1, 1970, a new Civil Air Patrol cadet program will become optional, effective in its present form until the July 1 optional date.

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From the Commander

Be Safety Wise
by Brig. Gen. Richard N. Ellis

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In looking back at Civil Air Patrol’s past year, I am concerned at the apparent lack of attention to simple safety rules in CAP operations. The record indicates that too many members have a careless, indifferent attitude toward commonly accepted safety practices.

In an organization such as ours, safety and the promotion of safe practices, is basically the business of the various commanders. However, it is your business also. It may be your life that is saved by being careful, or your unit’s aircraft or vehicle that is saved from needless loss or damage.

In driving motor vehicles, most people develop the attitude that they are immune to accidents, feeling that, somehow, it “always happens to the other fellow.” Since most CAP aircraft are small, sort of like airborne automobiles, many people have the same careless attitude toward them.

DON’T MAKE THIS MISTAKE! If you make an error of judgment in driving an automobile, or “take a chance,” nothing may happen—this time. You may get by. But in airplanes, making mistakes, taking chances, inevitably and surely will kill you!

In seeking to save lives through CAP air search capabilities, many members become careless in their haste and in the apparent urgency of the operation.

They ignore the routine of pre-flight in the haste to become airborne, fly in weather situations they are not equipped to deal with, fly just a little bit farther when they should turn back, fly in marginal conditions in an effort to get a closer look at something. In such situations, instead of saving a life, the mission may end up with more or more additional lives lost. It has happened.

Safety is a state of mind, a mental regimen that forces you to follow proper practices to take the appropriate precautions: study, lectures, and programs are fine—but people become bored with the repetition of hearing them and become hardened and go right on doing as they have been.. . . . it is up to you!

If it were only your life you were endangering, that would be your business. But in Civil Air Patrol operations you are endangering the lives of others and that is our business.

So, as we look ahead to another successful year of service to community, state and nation, I urge you to look at all the chances you took in 1969, at the narrow escapes you had, at the time you may have endangered other lives. And I urge you to make safety a way of life.

Airplanes can kill you if you pattern your operations such as CAP conducts, the chances of being killed by one careless moment are multiplied by the number of people involved.

So... a happy—and safe—1970!

CIVIL AIR PATROL NEWS

Youth Has Its Cause
by Chaplain C. E. Hobgood
Colonel, USAF

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Lt. Col. Rose Dies in Hospital; Was Early Pennsylvania Leader

PHILADELPHIA, Pa.—Lt. Col. Domenick Rose of Philadelphia Group X, a co-organizer and executive officer of Philadelphia’s original chartered squadron, died Nov. 9 at J. E. James Hospital, Fox Chase. He was 57.

From 1943 to 1950 he commanded the squadron while Lt. Joseph Simcock served with the Navy. During the World War II years, he also taught evening classes in aircraft and automobile mechanics at Bok Vocational School in Philadelphia. In 1944 the Army Air Force awarded him a Certificate of Merit for outstanding work in assisting in the campaign recruiting Air Crew Cadet Enlisted Reserves.

Colonel Rose was among Pennsylvania Wing officers cited by National Headquarters for “extraordinary meritorious service on Aug. 19, 1955” during the Hurricane Diane disaster for risking his life to rescue and evacuate flood victims from the New Hope, Pa., Pleasant and Upper Black Eddy areas. He received the Certificate of Merit many times and established an enviable record of participation in activities, including regional conferences, encampments, REDCAPS and SARCAPs in his 28 years in the organization.

In the 1920’s Don Rose first flew OX5-powered airplanes, Aerocas, Cubs, Great Lakes, Trainers, Fairchilds and others. A command pilot since 1951, Group X’s executive officer’s Ceana Skyhawk was always on standby for any mission and/or emergency, earning his aircraft the title “Flagship of Group X.” His 24-hour availability was legendary throughout the Delaware Valley. Colonel Rose devoted countless hours of his business time to Civil Air Patrol affairs and was always the “key man” in emergency operations.

He was a member of the Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association, OX5 Club of America, Aero Club of Pennsylvania and State Council on Civil Defense.

He was a modest and very dedicated man who left an indelible impression and influence on those with whom he associated by his dynamic, exemplary and inspiring down-to-earth leadership and counseling.

OBSERVE CAP’S BIRTHDAY—Belle Clair Optimist Cadet Squadron members observe Civil Air Patrol’s 28th birthday by participating in a flag-raising ceremony at the Academy of Notre Dame, Belleville, Ill. Raising the American flag (from left) are C/Capt. Mary Ann Hartmann, Capt. Claudia Tonsi, 1st Lt. Elaine Orsa and Sister Joyce Ann (SSND), Academy of Notre Dame’s vice principal. (CAP Photo)

Michigan Crowns Queens

CLARKSTON, Mich.—Capt. Marilyn Moore of the Clarkston Composite Sq. was crowned “Senior Miss Michigan Wing” and Cadet Charmaine Collings of Cherry Hill Cadet Sq. “Miss Michigan Wing” recently before 100 couples attending the wing’s military ball, Dec. 6, at the Lansing Civic Center.

Theme of the gala affair marking the 28th anniversary of Civil Air Patrol was “Stairway to the Stars.”

The traditional tiara and bouquet were presented to Captain Moore by Mrs. Charles Klann, wife of the Michigan wing commander. Capt. Lucille Price of Newaygo County Composite Squadron was named the first runner-up in the competition to become Captain Moore’s alternate.

On being chosen Miss Michigan Wing, Cadet Collings was crowned by Cadet Lt. Col. Brenda Walker, cadet council chairman, who also presented her a bouquet of flowers. Sally Jo Welsh of Lansing was named Miss Colling’s alternate following the competition.

CROWNED—Cadet Charmaine Collings was crowned Miss Michigan Wing and Capt. Marilyn Moore (right), Senior Miss Michigan Wing, recently at a gala ball marking the 28th anniversary of Civil Air Patrol.

Ninety Nines Group Attends Board Meet

ALBANY, Ga.—Eleven members of the Ninety Nines, the international organization of licensed women pilots, put on their Civil Air Patrol uniforms to attend specialized group meetings at the National Board meeting in New Orleans, La.

Attending were Col. Clara Livingston, Puerto Rico wing commander; Lt. Col. Martha Ann Reading, Texas wing communication; Lt. Col. Sarah Duke, Tennessee wing; Capt. Shirley Marshall, Arizona Wing; SM Janet Robertson, Arizona Wing.

Other 99 members attending included Capt. Alyce Blaas, and Karen Williams of the Kansas Wing; Lt. Col. Coral Bloom, Pacific Region; Lt. Col. Jean Ferrrell, Colorado Wing; Maj. Jessie Miller, Mobbing Bird Squadron commander, Mississippi Wing and Lt. Col. Betty McNabb, Albany, Ga., the 99s vice president and member of the FAA’s Women Advisory Committee on Aviation.

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store, restaurant, motel and pool hall.

The Indian tot's newly discovered joy arrived earlier in Phoenix, 185 miles south of here, aboard a California Air National Guard C-97 carrying 19,000 pounds of toys, clothing and foodstuffs earmarked for needy Indians in northern Arizona. There are about 150,000 Navajos in that area.

Seven aircraft were needed to airlift more than 100,000 pounds of contributions collected in the Santa Clara, Calif., area, in a drive sparked by Capt. John Layne, CAP, and carried out by fellow CAP members. In a similar project last year, his group collected more than 14 tons in a three-week period.

The airplanes made drop-offs at Yuma, Winslow, Phoenix and Tucson, all in Arizona, and Pierre, S.D. At each point, Civil Air Patrol cadets assisted in the off-loading and distribution.

California Congressman George Millias, representing Gov. Ronald Reagan, was aboard the Phoenix bound C-97, and was met by Arizona CAP officials and a caravan of 52 pick-up trucks, cars and a couple of hundred Indians to aid in the transport of the items to missionary posts through northern Arizona. The missionary group was under the supervision of Jimmy Prescott, missionary to the Navajos for the past 15 years and Arizona director of the Child Evangelism Fellowship.

In addition to the 19,000 pounds left at Phoenix, another 19,000 reached Tucson aboard an Arizona Air Guard C-97 for distribution to needy Papagos in southern Arizona; 29,000 aboard two California-based C-119s for Havasus in northwest Arizona; 29,000 on a pair of C-119s for Yumas in western Arizona and 16,000 on a Richards-Gebaur AFB, Mo., based, C-118 for Cree Indians in the Pierre, S.D. area.

South Dakota CAP and National Guardsmen handled off-loading of the C-118 while the state's Indian affairs office supervised the distribution to at least a half dozen Cree and Crow tribes in the area.

NEEDY INDIANS—More than 200 Navajo Indians from north Arizona missionary stations were on hand to truck contributions, donated by San Francisco Bay and Santa Clara.

DISTAFFER HELPS OUT—After the off-loading there was the chore of putting tie-down straps together and Civil Air Patrol cadets like this young lady pitched in to help.

THE MEANING OF CHRISTMAS—Holding her first doll this little Navajo tot was among the recipients who derived benefit from a 100,000 pound airlift of gifts, food and clothing to the Navajos in three states, Arizona, California and South Dakota in December.
Christmas for Needy Navajos

County residents, to areas north of Phoenix, Ariz., when the Air Guard's C-97 arrived.

PERHAPS THERE WILL BE MORE NEXT YEAR—Indian boy and mother leave missionary station in northern Arizona with their Christmas gifts in hand.

WAITING TO LEAVE—This small Indian girl waits with her grandmother for the distribution of toys, food and clothing brought in by an Air National Guard C-97 airplane in a CAP-sponsored Christmas cheer operation.

OFF-LOADING—Civil Air Patrol cadets from Tucson, Arizona, assist with off-loading contributions in a warehouse at Tucson International Airport. The donations were bound for the Navajo Indians in three states and distributed in conjunction with Teepee II Indian Relief program sponsored by the Santa Clara personnel from the California Wing under Capt. John Layne's direction.
Civil Air Patrol Records ‘Busy Year’

JULY

Cadet Bell Placed on Honor Roll

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo.—The name of U.S. Air Force Cadet Bell, 21, a former CAP cadet, is now on the CAP Hall of Fame. Cadet Bell, a member of the Colorado Springs Wing, was added to CAP’s Honor Roll Honor Roll in tapping ceremonies at the Air Force Academy. He was named outstanding cadet in military training in the academy class of 1968-1969.

NEC Names Wing Commanders

MAXWELL AFB, Ala.—The National Executive Committee named four permanent commanders at its recent meeting here. The new commanders are:
- Commodore—Brig. Gen. Richard N. Ellis (left), Civil Air Patrol’s national commander, and Col. L. H. McCormick Jr. (right), CAP-USAF’s chief of staff, who received a plaque CAP received from the Air National Guard for outstanding contribution to the United States Air Force information program in Southeast Asia.
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Exchange. After a four-day stay here, they dispersed to different points in the county for visits with different CAP wings.

National Lab on Youth Slated

MAXWELL AFB, Ala.—The Air Force Civil Affairs Division of the National Laboratories recently submitted a proposal to the CAP Civil Affairs Division for a project to examine Civil Air Patrol’s activities and to offer suggestions for improvement. The project, under the direction of James T. Pyle of New York, chairman of the group, proposed CAP’s Cooperative Education program as one of the organization’s most important aspects.

CAP Lists 32 Saves

MAXWELL AFB, Ala.—Five Boy Scouts, lost on an outing 30 miles north of Duluth, Minn., were found recently by a Civil Air Patrol pilot, raising to 32 the number of people saved by CAP since the first of the year.

IACE Planners Meet

MAXWELL AFB, Ala.—A six-member Air Force Civil Affairs and Civil Air Patrol delegation from New York, Georgia, and New Jersey, took part in the 1970 International Civil Air Cadet Planning Conference in London. Representatives of 16 nations were expected at the meeting.

NOVEMBER

General Ellis New Commander

MAXWELL AFB, Ala.—Air Force Civil Affairs and Civil Air Patrol Maj. Gen. Richard N. Ellis has become national commander of Civil Air Patrol in ceremonies here recently, succeeding Maj. Gen. Walter B. Putnam, who has returned to a retired status for medical reasons.

Cadets Travel to Antarctic

ANDREWS AFB, Md.—Two CAP cadets, John Cordfield of Montana and Alan Cockrell of Alabama, departed from here recently to participate in a National Science Foundation-sponsored Antarctic expedition. They will return to the United States in late December.

Connecticut Conducts Search

ANSONIA, Conn.—The Connecticut Wing of CAP conducted an extensive air and ground search for missing persons on a private plane listed as missing on a flight from Vermont to New York. The airplane was located in Vermont, and the three persons were found safe.

DECEMBER

Gen. Ryan Fulfills Suggest

NEW ORLEANS, La.—Gen. John D. Ryan, Air Force chief of staff, pledged his support for the Civil Air Patrol in a speech at the annual meeting of the National Executive Committee recently. He had high praise for CAP in his talk which noted that we face a period of “austerity.”

Outstanding Cadet Named

MAXWELL AFB, Ala.—Col. Richard L. Delany, Jr. of Silver Spring, Md., was named CAP’s Outstanding Cadet of the Year. Delany, a freshman at Wake Forest, is a member of the Wake Forest Silver Cadet Sq., National Capital Wing.
New Hampshire Scores 100 Per Cent in SARTest

SUNCOOK, N.H.—“It’s like having life insurance when you’re piloting an airplane to know that Civil Air Patrol is on the job,” said a New Hampshire pilot recently when asked of her impressions of the civilian auxiliary of the United States Air Force. Placing her faith in CAP’s ability to respond to an emergency was well founded because she knew if she or passengers of an airplane crash survived the emergency, CAP would find them and bring them to safety.

As practice makes perfect and continuous training, professionals, members of 13 different units of the New Hampshire Wing recently spent an entire day at Lebanon Airport participating in a search and rescue effectiveness test (SARTest). The wing was engaged in a ground and air search for a simulated aircraft listed as missing on a flight from Barre, Vt. to Portland, Maine.

The exercise began officially at 8 a.m. and as many Civil Air Patrol members came from all over the state, the day really began at 5 or earlier for many. Mission headquarters was at the Lebanon Regional Airport.

Airplanes were serviced, fueled and inspected for safety defects. The target of the search, simulated by a large white parachute and an emergency beacon signal, was placed secretly long before daylight.

The exercise began in a thick overcast and by mid-morning the weather cleared. Pilots listened to briefings from the mission coordinator, air operations officer, communications officer, weather officer and ground operations officer, before going on the mission. Safety was stressed before the pilots and observers became airborne in eight CAP-operated airplanes.

In the operations section, maps and charts were marked to pin-point the search areas and the progress of the search operation. The airplanes, pilots’ and observers’ names, their search area, start time and times were charted on a blackboard and monitored by a cadet with a walkie talkie radio. This information was relayed from the flight line to the central communications center, as each airplane took off and landed.

Information was relayed from the communications center to the mobile control tower to direct incoming and outgoing traffic. Traffic controllers operated a mobile control tower to direct incoming and outgoing traffic from his mobile control unit at Indiantown Gap.

Traffic controllers provided when the Federal Aviation Administration air drop delivery of 12 pints of blood to the Lebanon Veteran’s facility, cooperation he mentioned was 100 per cent effective. It is among the first two Civil Air Patrol units achieving this much.

The exercise was highly successful in spite of inclement weather conditions. Twenty-seven aircraft flew a total of 54 air missions as 35 cadets and 21 senior members made the annual training and evaluation mission.

The United States Army provided CAP the office space, equipment, barracks and meals for its personnel at its emergency exercise. Air Force, Army, state, local Civil Defense and Federal Aviation Administration personnel worked with Civil Air Patrol members to make the annual training and evaluation mission highly successful in spite of inclement weather conditions.


Reading Squadron 303 supplied a radio-equipped ambulance while cadets and seniors practiced removing simulated casualties from incoming aircraft.

Group 30 Members Cited For Skill in Exercises

New York Wing Parades To Mark CAP’s 28th Anniversary

HUNTINGDON, N.Y.—Civil Air Patrol aircraft gave an aerial salute to the civilian auxiliary of the United States Air Force here, Dec. 7, as hundreds of marching units stepped off in the CAP 28th Anniversary Day parade. The parade, believed to be the first of its kind in the New York Wing, was organized by Maj. E. F. Ollivier, Suffolk Squadron VII commander, and supported by Maj. Frank Scheber’s Suffolk Group.

Col. Jess Strauss, New York Wing commander, led the parade down New York Avenue to the refreshments while parade dignitaries, CAP officials, senior members and their wives attended a reception at the American Legion; Veterans of Foreign Wars; Catholic War Veterans; Knights of Columbus; the Nathan Hale District Boy Scouts and local Armed Forces contingents.

After the memorial services, the younger groups went to the Great Hall of St. John’s for its annual band championship winners.

The parade also coincided with the anniversary of the attack on Pearl Harbor, 28 years ago, and was designed to honor the war dead while marking the birth of Civil Air Patrol.

After the memorial services, the younger groups went to the Great Hall of St. John’s for its annual band championship winners. Members of the Pearl Harbor Survivors Association attended a memorial service at St. John’s Episcopal Church at the end of the parade. Father Joseph MacGinnis, Suffolk Squadron VII’s honorary chaplain, officiated at the service.

Demonstration of drill and ceremony by Suffolk Squadron VII’s Cadet and Cadette Drill Teams was one of the highlights of the parade. Other units taking part in the parade included the American Legion; Veterans of Foreign Wars; Catholic War Veterans; Knights of Columbus; the Nathan Hale District Boy Scouts and local Armed Forces contingents.

To Mark CAP’s 28th Anniversary

HARRISBURG, Pa.—The Pennsylvania Wing’s Ranger Section is planning its annual winter survival, Feb. 14-15, at Hawk Mountain, Pa., to teach physically fit senior and cadet male members winter survival and rescue techniques.

Participating members will provide their own food, clothing, shelter and one of three courses which include the basic, advanced and senior training phases.

Registration is at 9 a.m., Feb. 14 and the school ends at noon, Feb. 15. The school fee is $2.50 and transportation from Allentown to Hawk Mountain will be made available for all out-of-state personnel planning to enter the course.

Persons seeking additional information are requested to write to the Pennsylvania Wing Headquarters, P.O. Box 18001, Allentown, Pa. 18101.

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**Texans Put Versatility Into Training Program**

TYLER, Texas—Civil Air Patrol units in east Texas have discovered their training must be diversified if they are to provide greater service to their community. Success of a mission goes beyond training and depends on the ability to follow directions and orders, they feel.

The Tyler Composite Squadron, Group 7, and the Texas Wing got a taste of this recently when they helped the Tyler Police Reserve and Texas Department of Public Safety to evacuate a large number of Group citizens when several tank cars derailed and caused a fire. The accident occurred close to gasoline storage tanks and near a large butane storage area.

One highway and numerous intersections were restricted to all traffic other than firefighting equipment and railroad personnel. Civil Air Patrol personnel and those being assisted stood around the clock vigil for three days until the danger was over. No one suffered injury.

Civil Air Patrol members have taken to firefighting from horseback recently as they assisted local volunteer fire departments in curbing fires in the highly wooded area of the state. They are also using mounted ground rescue teams in search and rescue operations. The Texans feel it is a safer way to travel to a crash site especially when going through snake infested country.

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**Southside Cadets Establish Col. Paul H. Nowell Award**

RICHMOND, Va.—Members of the Southside Cadet Squadron have just established the Col. Paul H. Nowell award to be presented annually in September to the unit's most outstanding cadet. The award will be presented for the first time in September next year. It is designed to honor Cadet Colonel Nowell who died in an airplane accident in August.

He was the squadron's cadet commander for eight years and several other duties. At the time of his death he was on the Middle East Region staff.

Because of his work and devotion to the Civil Air Patrol cadet program, the cadets in his home unit felt it was appropriate to give honor him annually by awarding the cadet in the unit the Col. Paul H. Nowell trophy.

The individual's selection will be based on his scholastic achievements in the cadet program, participation in unit activities, military bearing and community acceptance by fellow cadets.

To be eligible for the award, a cadet must be active in the cadet program nine months. The final selection will be made by the squadron commander and senior staff.

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**Two Cited For Duty With CAP**

SANTA FE, N. Mex.—"Ever wonder if it was worth it all?" Two dedicated members of the Santa Fe Composite Squadron, New Mexico Wing, felt their service in Civil Air Patrol was, as they were honored recently at a surprise banquet before retiring from the organization. Honored were Maj. George Knight, squadron commander, and his wife, Capt. Dorothy Knight, squadron adjutant.

They were hosted by 36 members of Civil Air Patrol representing the New Mexico Wing, northern group squadrons and the local squadron at El Nido Club here.

Lt. Col. Harley Allen, northern group commander, presented the Knights engraved plaques at the ceremony.

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Oregon Governor Honors CAP Rescue Unit

PORTLAND, Ore.—Highlight of Oregon's annual awards banquet in December was a commendation to Maj. Tom McCall, in praise of the Civil Air Patrol generally and the Multnomah County Squadron specifically, by Gov. Tom McCall. Executing thanksed CAP for its rescue efforts which saved 26 lives last winter.

Safety—an Attitude

by Lt. Col. Jean Ferrell
National CAP Safety Council

It is a very simple thing to say that if an airman is to be a safe pilot, he must make a constant, continuing effort toward attaining this objective. But the path toward this objective can be difficult to discern. The complex nature of the man-pilot and of the objective itself (safety) presents to the airman a maze, of possible directions he could take in quest for safety in flight. This maze, in fact, keeps some from ever entering into a meaningful safety effort.

Certain of these apparent "paths of safety" lead nowhere. Certain others start in the proper direction, but later lead the pilot into dangers as great as those he seeks to avoid. A study of the pilot's objective, safety itself, is necessary to keep him from being misled—perhaps into creating sources of his own hazards.

Safety is defined as being "free from hazard or danger." This is an unrealistic definition for the facts of the day we die, we are seldom completely free from hazards or dangers. This being the case, our primary objective becomes that of "insulating" ourselves from these hazards and dangers. Since these hazards and dangers are universal, we cannot concentrate on any one of them with the thought of "attacking" it or "neutralizing" it for fear that while we are engrossed in this we may become an easy target for someone else to give us trouble. Instead the "insulation," the buffer zone, must be placed around ourselves.

We must continually strive to buffer ourselves from danger. We do not reach a plateau where we are safe enough or where a constant effort toward safety is required. In fact, if we, as pilots, are not making a constant effort toward safety, we are, in reality, progressing toward an accident.

It is readily apparent that if we want to maintain a constant condition of safety in our flight operations, we must develop a safety-conscious attitude, for the thought in our human make up must always be safety.

This does not mean that the pilot flies about repeating to himself "fly safely," or "I will fly safely," or any other similar platitude. These are only words, and if the pilot concentrates on these words deeply enough on them he may even be the cause of an accident.

Developing a fixation of attention on a platitude could cause a pilot to fail to give proper attention to his aircraft and his flying.

A good safety-conscious attitude and the creation of a constant condition of safety can be developed through accepting the pilot's twelve golden rules. These rules will guide the development of the pilot's attitude, and his attitude will cause him to maintain a constant condition of safety. The golden rules were developed so that they automatically, and within any conscious effort on the part of the pilot, establish the insulation, the buffer zone, the margin for error, to keep the pilot and his flight operations away from danger.

Accidents never result from one too small error or miscalculation on the part of the pilot, but instead are the result of a careless attitude which permits a series of careless mistakes and miscalculations to compound themselves into an accident.

If the pilot maintains a constant condition of safety, he need not be too fearful concerning small isolated failures of improper attention or forgetfulness because his constant attention to himself and his surroundings will immediately alert him to make the necessary correction back to the path of safety. A small error or miscalculation with the flight operation of a habitually safety-conscious pilot will be all corrected in a matter of seconds, and that is necessary to alert him to get back on the path of safety.

If the pilot does not have a safety-conscious attitude, his errors and mistakes become just another "goof," just another incident from which he learns little or nothing. Perhaps he lets the condition continue to exist, to be linked with later errors, thus leading to the formation of a chain of errors and events which always lead to an accident.

The pilot who is not safety-conscious or who tries to "slip safety off and on" like a coat at his discretion is well isolated from any alert to his mistakes. On the other hand, it is interesting to note that a safety-conscious pilot continues his flying career, each of his departures from the straight and narrow path of safety becomes less pronounced and his return to the path is quicker.

There is no such thing as "patriotic duty" or for this would preclude the establishment of a continuing attitude and condition of safety. This attitude and condition either exist constantly or not at all. These facts apply to all types of safety—at home, in business, in the car, as well as in the aircraft.

WHAT IS YOUR ATTITUDE TOWARD SAFETY? IS IT CONSISTENT WITH THE CHARACTER AND MAKEUP OF A RESPONSIBLE HUMAN BEING?

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Canadian Drill Team Helps CAP

WRIGHT-PATTERSON AFB, Ohio—Precision drill team by a group from the Royal Canadian Air Cadet Squadron 310 of Windsor, Ontario, Canada, helped Civil Air Patrol units in the Dayton area kick off their anniversary observance here recently.

Cadet WO Craig McShan led the 31 cadets as they demonstrated their mastery of the "Muster drill" and "broad front." This year marks the 34th anniversary of the Civil Air Patrol.

Cradet Receives Aviation Award, Trophy

DELANO, Calif.—Marc Dufour, a senior at Delano High School and a student in its Aviation-Aerospace Education Program, received an aviation award and a trophy at a recent Civil Air Patrol banquet here.

He also received the Senior Cadet of the State "morale" award.

Taco Visit NASA Astronauts

LINCOLN, Neb.—Two members of the Lincoln Civil Air patrol Sq. recently visited with NASA astronauts Russ Schweickart, Owen Garriot, Vance Brand, Don Holmquest, and Ron Evans during their visit to Lincoln. Cadet Karen Hagenbeur and Cadet Cindy Kubat visited the astronauts, all five astronauts before they departed for a return flight to Houston.

RANGER AND CAP EXHIBIT—Telling the Civil Air Patrol story through a static display of its search and rescue equipment was the job of Oregon Ranger Cadets Leonard Pilger and Cheryl Borst, who manned the exhibit at an Air Force Day display. On offer are the various types of survival gear used in the Ranger's field training program. (Photo courtesy of the Oregon Wing.)

CORRECTION

An error in a headline in last month's issue of CAP News identified the Governor of Mississippi as Governor Bell. The heading should have identified the state's chief executive as Governor John Bell Williams. The News regrets this error.

Three Honored

MINNEAPOLIS—The Minnesota Wing CAP honored three of its members for outstanding service to Civil Air Patrol. They are Cadets Paul Howe, Laura Black and Richard Palen who have each served CAP for over 30 years as cadets. The honors came during Civil Air Patrol Week.
Nine Personnel Decorated For Outstanding Service

MAXWELL AFB, Ala.—Seven military personnel and two civilians, all members of the staff at Headquarters, Civil Air Patrol-USAF, were honored here last month at an awards ceremony in which two persons received Bronze Star medals.

Receiving Bronze Stars were Lt. Col. Iris W. Bailey, inspector general at HQ., CAP-USAF, for service with the Phan Rang Air Base, Vietnam; and Lt. Col. Maurice Y. Gibson, staff judge advocate, for service at Korat Royal Thai AFB, Thailand.

Lt. Col. Bertha K. Gallander, DCS/Comptroller, received the first Oak Leaf Cluster to the Air Force Commendation Medal for service with the U.S. Air Force Security Service.

TSgt. Ralph W. Biggers received the Air Force Commendation Medal for his service with the U.S. Air Force Security Service.

John V. Sorenson, a civilian who serves as assistant DCS/Aerospace Education and Training, received an Outstanding Performance Rating.

Thousands Watch CAP Air Show

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla.—More than 6,000 persons who attended the Oklahoma City Air Show which took place over the weekend attended the Civil Air Patrol-sponsored air show at Cimarron Field. The event, sponsored by Oklahoma City Squadron No 1, featured static displays as well as demonstrations and fly-bys.

Nearly 70 pilots were among those attending the show which was described by local CAP officials as a "tremendous success."

Funds raised at the show were used to help purchase a new aircraft for Oklahoma Wing.

CAP Headquarters Clarifies Ruling on BX Privileges

MAXWELL AFB, Ala.—Civil Air Patrol Regulation 147-1, dealing with Exchange privileges for CAP members, is currently being updated by National Headquarters and will be published in the near future, according to LT. Col. Edwin L. Lewis, Deputy Chief of Staff/Materiel.

The present regulation, written more than a decade ago, outlines the conditions under which CAP members may make purchases in Army and Air Force Exchanges and limits the types and amounts of goods that may be purchased.

Military exchanges, which receive continuing close scrutiny by a number of government agencies, are operated for the express purpose of serving active duty personnel. Reservists, National Guardsmen and others are also subject to limitations.

"Some Civil Air Patrol members have complained that certain base Exchange privileges have been denied," Col. Lewis said, "that activity is generated by some misconceptions in the directive that outlines these privileges and a lack of understanding of legal restrictions on use of such privileges."

"Pendulum publication of the revised regulation," he added, "the following guidelines should prevent any embarrassing situations."

CAP members may purchase uniform articles authorized for wear by Civil Air Patrol directives. These articles must also be purchased in the Army or Air Force Exchange.

Additional use of Exchange privileges is permitted only when CAP members are in a temporary duty status and occupying government quarters, such as during summer encampment or while participating in a special activity.

Mandatory use of Exchange Services, including service station (gasoline and oil only), garage, laundry, shoe repair and other facilities.

"Purchasing for goods and services," Col. Lewis said, "CAP members should have with them a copy of their orders as well as their current membership card. To avoid fraud, it is advisable to have a statement of government quarters occupancy from the billeting officer."

"Purchasing by exchange officials may be unfamiliar with Civil Air Patrol or its status as an official Air Force Auxiliary. Col. Lewis recommended that the CAP member ask to speak to the station or facility manager to answer any problems in making a purchase."

"This is the time to shed light—not heat," he said, "if one member takes a few minutes to explain Civil Air Patrol's unique status to exchange personnel, many other CAP members may be spared embarrassing delays."

Col. Lewis emphasized the importance of protecting these privileges. "Follow the rules," he said. "Purchase the authorized items for your own personal use only, and everyone will benefit."

Navy Responds to Puerto Rico Wing's Plight And Turns Over Used C-45 Plane to Unit

by JOI Perry Brandt, USN

WARNINSTER, Pa.—Like old soldiers, old aircraft never die. Take the case of Navy Aircraft number 23801—it was given away.

In a somewhat unusual gesture of goodwill, the Navy and the Johnsville Naval Air Development Center turned over an RC-45J twin-engine airplane to the Civil Air Patrol unit at Ramey AFB, Puerto Rico.

The story began in February when the C-45 twin-engine, propeller-driven aircraft belonging to the Ramey AFB Civil Air Patrol unit was damaged during an operational exercise. After determining that the plane couldn't possibly be repaired, CAP began looking for a replacement. They knew however, that C-45's in good condition are like good cars—they very hard to find.

The word-of-mouth communications system in the armed forces is one of the wonders of the world. An anonymous Air Force major stationed at the Willow Grove Naval Air Station learned of the Puerto Rico Wing's need for an airplane to replace its C-45. He also knew that the Johnsville Naval Air Development Center (NADC) was retiring a modified C-45 after 25 years of service. Although the aircraft, in accordance with regulations, had to be from service, it was still in remarkably good condition. Having this information in hand, the Major notified the CAP at Ramey AFB.

With the wheels set in motion, Headquarters CAP-USAF notified NADC of the impending retirement of 23801. Queries were made to the Navy Department on the possible availability of the aircraft.

After conferring with NADC and thoroughly inspecting the aircraft (and the regulations), the Navy finally gave the go-ahead to NADC to turn custody of the aircraft over to the Civil Air Patrol, Ramey AFB.

With all necessary clearance obtained, Air Force Lt. Col. C. C. Palmer arrived at the Center's Naval Air Facility. There, Navy Commander W. J. Rigney, the facility's aircraft maintenance officer, had all the custody papers ready, 23801 gassed up and ready to fly to its new home in Puerto Rico.

T bar ONE PLANE NOW—Air Force Lt. Col. C. Palmer receives custody papers for C-45 aircraft from Commander W. J. Rigney, Johnsville Naval Air Development Center aircraft maintenance officer. Lt. Col. Palmer and his flight crew flew the aircraft to Puerto Rico for the Civil Air Patrol. (Official U.S. Navy Photo by John Bowersky.)

Nebraska Cadet Named Scholarship Semi-Finalist

LINCOLN, Neb.—C/Tsgt. Kathy Healy, a member of the Lincoln Cadet Sq. has been selected as a semi-finalist in National Merit Scholarship Competition. To achieve the honor, Cadet Healy scored in the top one percent of over 650,000 high school juniors who took the test throughout the country.