

Bonds In May For A Rainy Day



Nancy Baker, AA, finds the best way to cope with a rainy day is to climb aboard the Savings Bond train with friends Marie Simmons and Sharon Yarber both of PO. You too can enjoy the security provided by U.S Savings Bonds when you sign up for the payroll savings plan. May is bond month and time to Share a Common Bond by investing in U.S. Savings Bonds. Our photo was taken on the platform of a specially built early 1900 railroad car at the National Museum of Transport on Barrett Station Road, St. Louis County.

Retirement Seminars Praised by Employees

Special pre-retirement planning seminars have been conducted by the DMAAC Civilian Personnel Office this month in an effort to assist employees contemplating retirement.

"The sessions have really been helpful," reported one employee. "The information presented has been quite useful and it has made

Service Retirement Act, medicare and social security benefits, retired federal employees, the tax structure and its effect on retirement and the employment services and benefits.

Speakers included members of the Civilian Personnel staff, field representative of the Social Security Administration, a

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Snack Bar Renovation Starts

Renovation of the Building 36 first floor snackbar began last week as the Facilities Engineer electrical workers put in new wiring for a modern in-direct lighting system.

When the renovation is complete the snackbar will have a lowered ceiling, new lighting, new flooring, redesign of the serving counter, better exhaust fan systems and glass entrance doors.

Work is being accomplished by Facilities Engineer personnel and contractor.

Final completion date cannot be established at this time due to the construction workers strike now taking place in the St. Louis area.

According to Nolan Henley, base restaurant officer, the renovation is designed to provide a better atmosphere for employees and the counter redesign should provide for faster service.

When completed the snackbar will provide hot and cold sandwiches, soups and salads for employees.

Service Medal To Carder At Retirement

The DMA Meritorious Service Medal was presented to Robert Carder May 9th during a special retirement party held in his honor. The award, presented by DMAAC Director, Col. Donald D. Hawkins, cited Carder for more than 40 years of dedicated service to the government of the United States and to its agencies and those of foreign governments.

Over 100 co-workers and former Center employees attended the party to pay tribute to one of the original Center employees.

Carder's 40 year career began at the age of 19 when he was hired as a messenger boy in the Washington Navy Yard. Through

the ensuing years he has been active in the development of cartographic products in support of the ever changing weapons systems. He has also been a key figure in the development of cartographic products which supported the first lunar charting program of the Air Force and later the manned space missions of NASA.

A complete article on Carder's 40 years of service was carried in the Orienteer March 22, 1974.

As for the retirement years Carder said, "I am looking forward to retirement with anticipation of having the time to actively pursue some areas of personal interest. These include astronomy, photography, wood-working and horticulture.

"The Moon, which has been part of my life for the past fifteen years, will continue to hold my interest. This fall I will commence work on a second edition of the



Carder

A Two Man Carpool?

been quite useful and it has made my decision an easier one to make."

The sessions have been tailored to the type of retirement that an employee has shown interest for. Special discussions have centered around the recent discontinued service retirement now available to certain employees within the Department of Defense. In general, the seminars have included discussion of the Civil

Security Administration, a representative of the St. Louis Chapter of the National Association of Retired Federal Employees, a senior taxpayer service representative from the Internal Revenue Service and an employment counselor from the Missouri State Employment Service.

Special information folders containing pamphlets and data sheets about the topics discussed were provided all attendees.

New Distribution Division Open For Business

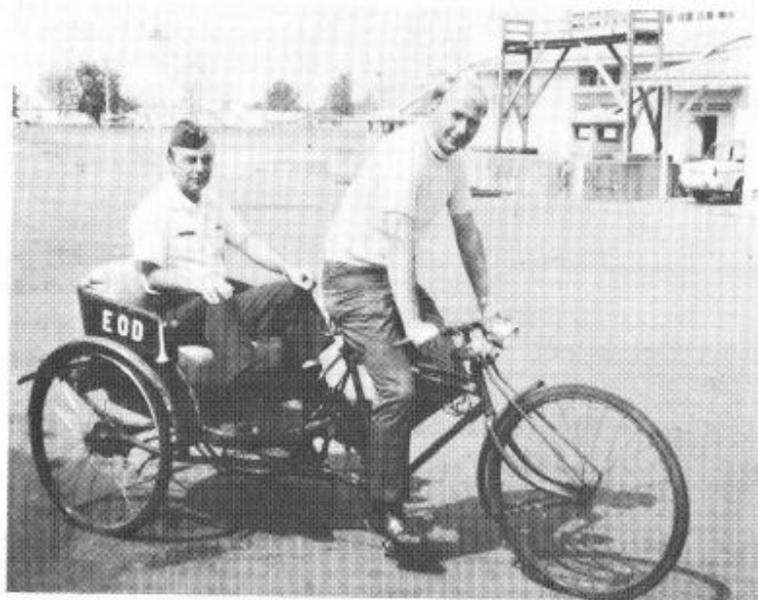
The new Distribution Division within the Printing and Distribution Department became operational at the end of April. The new division is a result of the DMA realignment of the agency distribution system.

New offices and office symbols of the division are: Distribution Division - PDD, Systems Operations Branch - PDDS, Flight Information Branch - PDDF,

Inventory Management Branch - PDDI, Material Branch - PDDM, Movement Control Section - PDDMC, Material Preparation Section - PDDMP, and its Storage and Receiving Unit and Packing Unit.

The DMAAC Detachment at Philadelphia has been given the symbol PDDE and the detachment at Clearfield, Utah - PDDW.

**Armed Forces Day
Tomorrow
Open House at Scott AFB
10 a.m. - 4 p.m.**



DMAAC's Deputy Director, Col. James St. Clair, organized his own two man carpool during a recent visit to Thailand. Supplying the leg power is MDAD's representative in Thailand, Jim Boyd. The photo was taken during the colonel's inspection visit to Takhli RTAFB just prior to assuming his new position with the Center.

Wage Freeze Lifted

The lifting of the wage and price controls May 1 means that some 600,000 wage board and wage grade Federal employees can expect pay adjustments.

Information has not as yet been released regarding the amounts that will be available or exactly when employees can notice the change in paychecks.

It was emphasized that not all workers will be eligible for pay adjustments because their wages have followed closely with the private sector during wage and price control period. Civilian personnel offices will provide the necessary information to employees as soon as it is available from the Civil Service Commission.

interest. This fall I will commence work on a second edition of the book "Mapping of the Moon" which was co-authored with my astronomer friend Zdenek Kopal. This involves keeping up to date with many of my lunar associates that I have worked with over the years.

"Photographing nature with my 35mm camera has given me endless hours of pleasure and it certainly presents a challenge to those who wish to take the subject seriously. I shall now have the time to more actively pursue this fascinating hobby including photo processing.

"Woodworking has been one of my main hobbies for a number of years—in fact, as a young man I had aspirations of becoming a pattern maker in the Washington Navy Yard. I enjoy refinishing antique furniture and have several old pieces stored in my garage awaiting my attention.

"Horticulture is a subject that I know very little about even though I have been growing plants and flowers for years. I have tentative plans for building a 14 foot diameter geodesic greenhouse in my backyard and try some experimentation with plant propagation. Who knows—I may be eating homegrown tomatoes the year-round.

"In summary, I plan to stay active and busy in learning more about subjects of personal interest."

Research Plans Big Department Picnic

by
Clay Ancell
Chairman, Picnic Committee

The Research Department Annual Picnic will be held June 8, 1974 at Kirkwood Park from 1000 until dark. The park is located on the corner of Geyer Rd. and Adams Ave., about four blocks west of downtown Kirkwood.

A large pavilion, picnic tables in the shade, barbecue pits, areas for sporting events, conveniently located restrooms and extensive childrens recreational facilities are available to the Researchers, their families, and invited guests.

Picnickers are welcome to relax in the shade or to join in the scheduled activities—or both! The Top Dog Trophy will again be up for grabs as each Division competes in the sporting events. A clown, talent show, and other activities are planned for the children. Music and various entertainment will be provided throughout the day with an organized sing-along capping off the festivities.

Tickets are currently available at a cost of \$1.00 per adult, children under 18 free. Refreshments including draft beer, soda, ice cream and various snacks will be furnished. Tickets can be obtained from the following Division representatives:

RD/RDP Sharon Neumann, Ext. 4801

RDS Connie Tancock and Kathy Breuer, Ext. 4404

RDN Elaine Lamay, Ext. 8315

RDG Mary Linebarger, Ext. 4541

TOP DOG TROPHY

event of a tie, however, the tied Division Chiefs and their assistants will compete in an egg toss event to "break" the tie.

A special safety committee has been organized and has taken the necessary precautions to ensure an enjoyable and safe outing.

KIDDIE ACTIVITIES

Just as the Top Dog Trophy is a long standing tradition in the sports events, no Research Department picnic would be complete without Mary Pollack's kiddie activities. This year is no exception as Mary and her assistant Connie Tancock report plans for a day full of activities.

Bubbles the Clown will entertain the children with his antics and tricks. His specialty is making animals out of balloons, and this act always delights the children.

A talent show is also planned for the children through age 17. The parents are urged to encourage the children to participate, and to help them get their act together. Be sure to bring musical instruments, batons, costumes, and anything else needed in the act. If taped music would be required for an act, contact Larry Carroll (x4541) and he can arrange to have it available. The talent show is non-competitive and each participant will receive a prize. Contact Mary Pollack (x4541) if further information is desired.

Cotton candy was one of the hits of last year's picnic, and it will again be available this year. A marshmallow roast is also among

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There are definite tax advantages in buying Savings Bonds. You pay no state or local income tax, ever, on Savings Bond interest. And Federal tax on E bond interest can be deferred until the bonds are redeemed. This is particularly good if you are saving to augment your retirement income, when most of us will enter a lower tax bracket. And if you are saving for a college education for your children, by buying bonds in their name, and declaring the interest annually, the bond interest will normally be completely tax free.

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Bits And Pieces

From the Black book:

The beginning of the summer retirement exodus is evident by an increase in the retirement and personnel counseling area of Civilian Personnel. This issue we carry the stories of two close friends of mine who have elected to end the daily routine of coming to work. I speak of Phyllis Eldredge and Robert Carder. Mrs. Eldredge I have had the pleasure of knowing through the association of the Inspector General's office and the Information Office, who both occupy the first floor of building 25. Her quick wit, smiling

TOP DOG TROPHY

The Top Dog Trophy is a prevailing tradition in Research Department. It was originated over ten years ago and each year since has gone up for grabs at the Research Department Annual Picnic. Although organizations and personnel changes have taken place over the years, the desire to win the golden Top Dog Trophy has not diminished.

On June 8 the divisions within Research Department will again battle for the coveted Top Dog Trophy. The finest athletes in Gravity Division, Production Support Division, and the Department staff will meet in head to head competition to try to take the trophy away from last year's Top Dog, the Geophysical and Space Sciences Division.

Darryl Crumpton, chairman of the sports subcommittee reports that this year's competition will include slow pitch softball, mens and womens volleyball and a frizbee toss contest. Three points will be awarded to the division winning first place in each event, two points for second place, and one point for third.

The division having the most points at the end of the competition will be the 1974 Top Dog. In the

again be available this year. A marshmallow roast is also among the scheduled events. Many other fun games and activities are planned for the children and prizes will be given throughout the day.

CHILDRENS PLAYGROUND

Kirkwood Park has one of the finest assortments of children's playground facilities in the metropolitan area. Equipment includes an assortment of swings, hobby horse swings, several types of sliding boards, tunnels, jungle-gyms, merry-go-rounds, sand piles, a stage coach and horses, and a wading pool. Also, the playground is within easy watching and hearing distance from the pavilion so that children's safety is ensured.

ENTERTAINMENT

Larry Carroll, chairman of the entertainment committee, reports that taped music will be played in the pavilion throughout the day. If anyone has any specific music they would like included in the tapes, contact Mr. Carroll at (x4541).

After the sports are over and the stalwarts have rested, the day will be capped off by an organized sing-along. Copies of "old favorites" will be passed out and the Researchers will try their hand at harmony.

payton savings plan will increase the morale of the employees of your organization? They are building financial stability and security through regular automatic savings. They are freer of financial worries than those who do not save regularly. A secure employee is a happier, more productive worker. He is more stable, more self-confident, and more conscious of his job obligations. This factor alone should be a strong motivation to get all supervisors enthusiastically behind the Savings Bond program.

Finally - buying Savings Bonds is an exercise in practical patriotism. In addition to the personal advantages, when you invest in your country you are supporting the cause of Freedom, which has been so dearly won over the last two centuries.

In summary—just one sentence. Investment in Savings Bonds is good for you and me, it is good for our civil service and military colleagues everywhere and it is good for our country!



Chairmen of the Picnic sub-committees inspect the facilities at Kirkwood Park. Left to right are Darryl Crumpton RDS, Sharon Neumann RD, Lori Grither RDS, Harold Fisher RDN, Connie Tancock RDS, Mary Pollack RDG, Kathy Breuer RDS, and Gerry Schuld RD. Other chairmen not pictured are Jerry Jackson RDS, Larry Carroll RDG, and Sharon Hertel RDS.

building 25. Her quick wit, smiling face, and efficient secretarial manner will be missed in the old house we call offices. As for Bob Carder, our relationship goes back several years. He was one of the first I met when I came on board and my admiration for the man has continued to grow ever since that first contact. We have worked together many times on informational programs during the NASA manned space missions and it has been through his efforts and advice that our displays, television films and the like have been successful. Bob Carder is, in the finest sense of the term, a true Southern Gentleman. To both of these individuals we wish them God Speed and thank them for the privilege of their friendships.

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"NO, I DON'T HAVE THE LIGHTS OUT BECAUSE YOU'RE UGLY..... I'M JUST CONSERVING ELECTRICITY!"

New Deputy Tours Geodetic Survey Sq.



Navy Lieutenant Commander Peter Lange shows Col. James St. Clair one of the project areas where the Geodetic Survey Squadron Gravity Branch is working. Capt. Lee Henderson, assistant chief of the Gravity Branch, looks on. The new deputy director toured the squadron during late April to familiarize himself with the mission and operations of the squadron. During the visit the geodetic, gravity, computer and geociever satellite tracking branches briefed the colonel on manpower and equipment utilization on survey projects as well as the steps that have been taken to reduce costs and maintain production.

New OER System For November

A new officer evaluation system, originally scheduled to have been implemented in April, will now become operational in November.

An officer effectiveness report (OER) workshop will be held at

officer's duty title. But, there are also provisions for identifying special duties and responsibilities typical for others having similar assignments. This will reduce the verbiage commonly found in

TV Debut For Two

Two Center employees have been selected to participate in a short film production for KETC television.

The two, Carlos Villalobos, CDCA, and Larry Jungman, CDCE, are members of IMAGE, a Spanish speaking organization concerned with government employment.

The film production is part of a series entitled "Bread and Butterflies" to be televised by the National Instructional Television network.

Villalobos will play the role of the father in the story about a boy who has a lot of responsibilities at home and gets a chance to have a paper route. Jungman plays the part of the next door neighbor.

The film will be shown by Channel 9 in St. Louis the first part of September.

Children of a DMAAC employee have also been selected to appear in the film. Mark and Mary Ann Aguilar, children of Rudy Aguilar, RDS, will also make their debut.

Wins Contest

Christine Imhof, daughter of Ralph Imhof, PP, has been awarded the first place prize in the Veiled Prophet Float design contest.

Christine, a student at Southwest high school, won first place in the "Wild West" category. Her float will be in the parade this fall.

The contest is conducted annually among all of the St. Louis area high schools.

Note

The Stamp and Coin Club meet May 20th. Contact Captain Campbell, 4753 for more in-

May Retirements

Among the early May retirements were:

PHYLLIS L. ELDREDGE, IG, retired on May 10th with 25 years service. Her Federal career began at the Army Finance Center in December 1947 as a clerk typist. She came to DMAAC in 1951 and was assigned to the Comptroller's office as a key punch operator. She left in 1954 but returned to DMAAC in June 1955. She was assigned to the Cartography Department for the next 15 years in the Production Office, Geo. Branch #2 and Automated Services Branch. She transferred to the Comptroller, Management Analysis Division, and in July 1972 was reassigned to the Inspector General's Office, as secretary to the Inspector General, which Mrs. Eldredge states was "a very interesting job and a very delightful supervisor to work for and with."

"I plan on just generally relaxing, enjoying those things I've missed out on while working, until my husband retires in June 1975, at which time we'll move to the country," said Mrs. Eldredge.

Rebels Win Tourney

The DMAAC Rebels have added another trophy to their large collection by finishing runner-up in the pre-season Amateur Softball Association slow pitch industrial tournament held at Forest Park and Berra Park during April. The Rebels previously had won this tournament in 1971, 1972, and 1973.

Outstanding hitters during the tournament were Joe Stitz, Fran



Mrs. Eldredge

MORRISON G. THOMAS, POD, retired May 3 with 13 years Federal service. He came to DMAAC in August 1967 and had been assigned as a personnel development specialist. When queried on his retirement plans he replied, "I am moving to California to be near my sons and grandchildren and the opportunity for golf and fishing year round."

ALLEN L. GREENMAN's, CD, retirement was effected on April 29th. A negative engraver, his 16 years, 5 months total Federal service was at DMAAC (including AF Film Library).

Scholarship Winner

Leo Radovich, son of Melo Radovich, CDAC, has been selected as the winner of the PPG Industries Foundation's eleventh annual community scholarship.

OER) workshop will be held at the Air Force Military Personnel Center at Randolph AFB, Tex., during May to smooth out the few remaining rough edges for the new system that is designed to eliminate the creeping inflation which has impaired the effectiveness of current OERs.

"The basic system is workable," a chief of staff message read. It explained that a trial run of the new system was conducted during March at an operational wing and a special category agency. "The results are very encouraging," the message continued.

The three objectives of the workshop will be to go over the trial run results, address unique command problems and review the implementation plan.

The new system results from a five-year research and development effort.

A number of systems were evaluated by Air Force planners, and the concept for the new system was approved by the Air Force chief of staff for testing in 1972; 10 commands and more than 5,000 officers participated.

A new form, the "Job Performance Evaluation" (JPE), and a controlled review process are basic features of the new system.

The job description section has been simplified and structured to highlight unique features of an officer's job. In some cases, the rater will simply enter the of-

verbage commonly found in present job descriptions and make the description more meaningful to users of the report.

Job performance on the new form is evaluated in terms of 10 carefully selected factors designed to evaluate the officer's job knowledge, professional qualities, leadership and adaptability to stress. The rater uses a written set of standards as reference points in making his evaluation on a scale that ranges from "far below" to "well above" standard. Under each of the 10 performance factors, the rater is required to give specific examples for all ratings above or below the middle ratings of "meets standard."

The new report puts assignment recommendations out in the open in an easily understood format. The rater cites what he believes to be the officer's strongest qualification, recommends a job assignment and level of assignment, and provides suggestions for appropriate timing.

Probably the biggest change in the new system involves the overall evaluation. The overall evaluation is divided into three major categories: "Top 15 Per Cent," "Middle of the Pack," and "Bottom 20 Per Cent." The rating official first decides where the officer falls and then rates him again within that specific group.

Air Force has also standardized

the review process. Rules will limit participants on each report to the reporting and indorsing officers and one reviewing officer. Reports on field grade officers must be reviewed by a colonel or above, while those on company graders require review by a major or higher.

Another new form, "Lieutenant Colonel Promotion Potential Evaluation," will be added to the system. The new form is handwritten. The rater decides whether or not the officer should be promoted, and if so, whether in the primary or secondary zone. Once that's done, the rater determines where in the zone promotion should take place. Since it's a closed evaluation, comments on the new form cannot be derogatory. Only the reviewer and central selection boards see the completed form. The additional rater adds his rating without seeing the original rating. The two ratings then go to the reviewer who reads both and resolves any differences. The form is then sent directly to the promotion secretariat at the personnel center. It's maintained there and used only by the selection boards. No one else may see the form, including the officer being rated.

The message closed by asking commands for continued support in implementing the new system.

tournament were Joe Stitz, Fran Renschen, and Ray Anderson.

Playing for the Rebels this year are: Ray Anderson, Tom Berra, Don Duncan, Jim Amling, Jerry Werner, Bruce Thompson, Fran Renschen, Russ Kappesser, Stan Winkler, Gerry Breville, Jack Harmon, Walt Czarnecki, Fred Colberg, Bill Gillespie, John Reiter, Gerald Hull, Bud Noll, Wayne Marcil, Joe Stitz, Ranny Read, and manager Garnet Bebermeyer.

Morale Cited As DoD Goal

In a recent news conference addressing a wide range of current military issues, Secretary of Defense James R. Schlesinger stated that improved morale is a prime DoD objective.

"I think that the major goal, aside from what I mentioned earlier—the need for the United States manfully to bear the burdens as the leader of the free association of nations—is to improve the attitude that we Americans have in what we are doing: the morale of the Armed Forces and the morale of the American public.

"The American public must have confidence in its own institutions, including the Department of Defense. The people in the Department of Defense must carry their heads with pride. There have been difficulties in recent years in regard to the morale of the American public, how it

viewed its own role, how it viewed its own institutions."

Secretary Schlesinger noted that some of the problems in DoD will take time to solve, but concluded that he was encouraged by the degree of progress in just the past few months.

Leo, who attends St. Piux X High School, indicates he plans a career in aeronautical engineering. The scholarship winner ranks in the top third of his class and has participated in numerous extra curricular activities.

He will receive a four-year scholarship valued from \$250 to \$1500 yearly, depending on his financial need as determined by the National Merit Scholarship Corporation.



In The Armed Forces of Three Countries, Sgt. Ends Career

Ending a military career for most means the fulfillment of several years service to one country, but for TSgt. Jaroslav Gajdos of the Cartographic Technical Squadron, retirement from the U.S. Air Force meant the end of a career which included service in the armed forces of three countries.

Born in Czechoslovakia, the son of a patriot and a countess, Jaroslav Gajdos saw the misfortunes of war and oppression at an early age.

In May 1940, at the age of 19, Gajdos was drafted into the Slovakian Army to begin flying training. Because of the skills he developed he was selected in school to teach and demonstrate stunt and aerobatic flying.

In 1942 the young 2nd lieutenant flew on the Eastern Front against the Russians in Ukraine. His flying was done as part of the 1st Air Battalion of the Slovakian Army in conjunction with the Germans. Neither the Germans or the Slovaks trusted each other so Gajdos and other Czech pilots were required to fly in mixed German formations with limited fuel to prevent defection. During one of the missions Gajdos encountered four Russian planes. After shooting down three he was shot down inside German lines. For his feat he was awarded the Iron Cross Second Class and taken into German confidence.

Allowed to fly alone with unlimited fuel, Gajdos put together a map of all the intelligence items he could find and defected to the Russians in April 1943.

After long and cruel interrogation by the Russians he was imprisoned. Two months later his captors were convinced of his story and the accuracy of the intelligence data so they assigned Gajdos to the Second Czechoslovakian Paratroop Brigade as a pilot.

In August 1944 the Slovakian Army revolted against the Germans and the 2nd Paratroop



TSgt. Jaroslav Gajdos is presented the Meritorious Service Medal by Lt. Col. Robert Swanson during retirement ceremonies March 29th at the DMAAC Cartographic Technical Squadron in California. TSgt. Gajdos ended a career of military service which included duty with both the Germans and the Russians in World War II.

was openly and strongly anti-communist in tone. The book was confiscated from the public library. When the Communists took over Czechoslovakia in 1948 they confiscated his parents property and Gajdos was released from the Air Force and assigned to the Army as a company commander. One week later he was dismissed from the active army, and given command of a Prague home guard unit which was short lived.

With the take-over by the Communists, Gajdos and other fellow officers formed an underground organization which

Golden Eagle Passports

The 1974 Golden Eagle and Golden Age Passports are now on sale at the 70 national parks and recreation sites where they provide admission and at certain other federal recreation areas.

The Golden Eagle Passport sells for \$10 and is good for the calendar year and admits the purchaser and those accompanying him in a private, noncommercial vehicle to designated entrance fee areas.

MAC Commander Addresses AFA

Speaking before the St. Louis Chapter of the Air Force Association, General Paul K. Carlton, called for increased in-flight refueling and expanded airlift capability.

In addressing the more than 140 persons gathered at the monthly meeting, the commander of the Military Airlift Command cited the Israel resupply operation during the Middle East war last October and November as an example of the value of strategic airlift. He termed the airlift a huge success—with the movement of more than 22,000 tons almost 6,500 miles in 33 days.

One of the ways which the airlift could have improved, General Carlton said, was through the use of midair refueling. With a refueling stop in the Azores and then direct flights from there to Israel, he said that C-5s averaged 74.3 tons each on 145 missions and the C-141s averaged 27.6 tons on each of 421 missions. With midair

refueling, however, all enroute stops could have been eliminated, saving several hours of transit time. But even more importantly, he said, C-5 payloads could have gone as high as 107 tons and C-141s up to 32 tons. This would have permitted 44 fewer C-5s and 57 fewer C-141 missions to achieve the same result. As an added bonus, he observed, employing a wide-body jet tanker to refuel aircraft between the Azores and Portugal could have saved as much as seven-and-a-half million gallons of fuel even after including fuel used by the tankers.

According to AFA President, Donald Kuhn, of Aero Info, the next meeting of the St. Louis Chapter will be on June 14 at Saro's restaurant. St. Louis County Supervisor Lawrence Roos will be the speaker. Further information can be obtained from the chapter secretary, Stu Popp at extension 8253.



General Paul Carlton, commander of MAC, accepts a speakers ap-

mans and the 2nd Paratroop Brigade was dropped in to provide support—unfortunately the effort was doomed to failure as the Russian Army was too far away to provide the necessary reinforcements for the 800 men. As the Germans began to take more ground, Gajdos with a handful of men fled to the Slovakian Tatra Mountains where he conducted guerrilla operations.

During his guerrilla activities he was awarded the Russian Red Star and the Czechoslovakian War Cross (equivalent to the Medal of Honor in the U.S.) for a raid behind the German lines.

As the Russians advanced Gajdos and his men were able to join the advancing forces. The forces were composed of Hungarian, Czech and Russian troops. Because he could speak all languages he was given a liaison officers position.

During one encounter he came upon a four man machine gun position and with a pistol, killed two and captured two.

In 1945 he was discharged from the Russian organized Czech Army and became a captain in the newly organized Czech Regular Army.

During the years that followed the war he knew that Communism was far worse than the Nazism he had experienced. In 1947 he published his memoirs, entitled "Thundering Mountains", which

described an organization which supplied vital intelligence to the U.S. armed forces. During March 1949 the Reds began a purge as the secret police began picking up members of the underground organization. Gajdos managed to cross the Czech-German border.

Once in Germany, he became a political refugee and was placed in a refugee camp. There he was approached by an American intelligence officer and offered work with the U.S. Army Intelligence as a 2nd lieutenant. From 1949 until 1953 he worked for the U.S. Army at which time he was released to immigrate to the United States.

On February 3, 1954 he enlisted in the U.S. Air Force hoping to regain his commission and pilots wings but because of age was unable to do so. As an enlisted man he received his citizenship in 1954 and a few months later joined the 2nd Reconnaissance Technical Squadron where he remained until 1958 when he transferred to the 15 RTS.

From 1959 to 1963 he served with the 7650th Aeronautical Chart and Information Squadron in Wiesbaden, Germany, as chief of enroute high altitude planning.

Following that tour he joined the 15 RTS, which is now the DMAAC Cartographic Technical Squadron.

During his tour in California he won many pistol championships, among them the state championship in 1967.

The Golden Age Passport is issued free to persons 62 years of age or older and affords the same entry privileges as the Golden Eagle, plus a 50 percent discount on camping and other special recreation use fees.

The Golden Age Passport must be obtained in person with proof of age, such as a driver's license or birth certificate.

The National Park Service has prepared a brochure about the program which is available at the recreation areas or by writing to the National Park Service, Department of the Interior, Washington, D.C. 20240. You may also write the U.S. Forest Service, Department of Agriculture, Washington, D.C. 20250.

Upon his retirement March 29th the sergeant was awarded the Meritorious Service Medal to add to the many decorations received from the armed forces of other countries.

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Editor

General Paul Cannon, Commander of WAC, accepts a speakers appreciation gift from St. Louis Chapter Air Force Association President, Donald Kuhn.

THAT'S A FACT

THE LONG WALK

COL. RUSSEL FARNUM OF NEW HAMPSHIRE WALKED FROM ST. LOUIS, MO. TO ST. PETERSBURG - NOW LENINGRAD - IN 1912-13. FROM ALASKA HE CROSSED THE FROZEN BERING STRAITS TO SIBERIA.



WEALTH HAZARD!

THAT'S YOU-IF YOU DON'T SALT AWAY SOME OF YOUR SALARY EACH WEEK! JOIN THE PAYROLL SAVINGS PLAN WHERE YOU WORK, AND THEY'LL SET ASIDE A SPECIFIED AMOUNT FROM YOUR PAYCHECK. IF YOU CAN'T TRUST YOURSELF... TRUST U.S. SAVINGS BONDS!

DON'T BOTHER TO COUNT...

BUT IF YOU'RE AT ALL INTERESTED, THERE ARE 25,344,000 BUBBLES CONTAINED IN A POUND OF SOAP!

