

Johnson Succeeds Slain Kennedy As President

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In the presidential plane on a airport runway in Dallas, Texas, only 98 minutes after the tragic death by assassination of John Fitzgerald Kennedy, Lyndon B. Johnson was sworn in as the 36th President of the United States, Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces.

Annual Two-Day Bazaar to Get Under Way In Dec.

The annual International Bazaar, the proceeds of which are donated to the Children's Christmas Fund, will be held on December 7 and 8 at the Prince Makonnen Officers Club in Asmara.

The goal this year for the Bazaar is to purchase a suit of clothing, a piece of fruit, a slice of bread and a bar of soap for 8,000 children of the Asmara orphanages. Last year the proceeds bought over 6,000 children the food and clothing gifts.

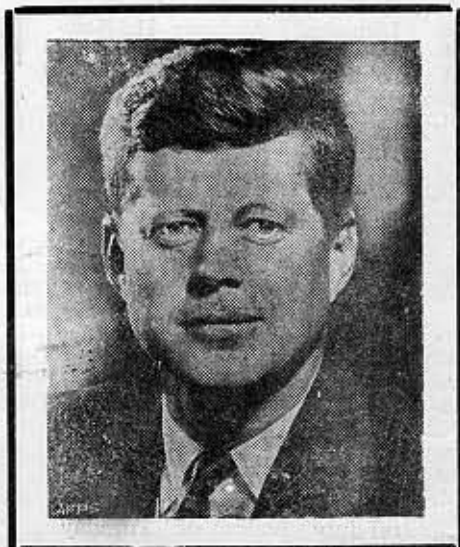
The international exposition will consist of booths representing, in addition to the United States, the countries of Ethiopia, Greece, India, Egypt, Israel, France and the British Isles. These countries will feature food and other merchandice representative of their nations, which will be on sale to the public.

Another feature of the bazaar will be an American-British pub.

The two-day exposition will be open from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday. Bus transportation, departing from the Service Club, will be available to the bazaar from Kagnew Station.

Mrs. Pat Stanley, publicity chairman of the bazaar in releasing the names of the individuals donating their time and efforts to make the event a success, said that the American booth and the American-British pub will be decorated by Mrs. Shirley McGinnis. She said the following persons will be working, in three hour shifts, at the American booth during the Bazaar cont. p. 4 col. 1 & 2

- IN MEMORIAM -



John Fitzgerald Kennedy, 35th President of the United States, Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces, was mortally wounded by an assassin's bullet on Friday November 22, 1963, as he rode in an open car through downtown Dallas, Texas.

The assassinated President, the youngest man ever to be elected to the United States' highest office, died at Parkland Hospital in Dallas approximately 29 minutes after the tragic shooting.

The 46-year-old President, a champion of justice and equality, was regarded as one of the great leaders of the Free World. Assuming the helm of his troubled country, he guided the United States through a vast sea of difficulty both internally and internationally. His leadership during the Cuban crisis, not only stands as one of the greatest Western triumphs of the cold war, but is a lasting tribute to his foresight and diplomatic bearing. His struggles for racial equality in his country embedded him in the minds of people throughout the world as a votarist of freedom for all. His untiring efforts to penetrate the walls of misunderstanding between all nations, and thereby achieve peace, are deeds which men will laud forevermore.

The soul of the late President was commended unto God at a simple Roman Catholic funeral mass attended by world leaders on 25 November 1963. After services, the Commander-in-Chief was laid to rest in Arlington National Cemetary among fellow comrades-in-arms of World War II and other heroic dead.

John Fitzgerald Kennedy is survived by his wife Jacqueline and their children, Caroline, 6, and John Jr., 3.

The former Vice President, who was with the President on his tragic journey, became acting President the very moment Mr. Kennedy died. There was virtually no break between the Presidency of John F. Kennedy and Lyndon B. Johnson.

The new President, a product of Southwest Texas State Teachers College and Georgetown (Texas) Law School, began his political career by successfully being elected to the House of Representatives in 1937.

In 1941, within hours after casting his vote to declare war on Japan and Germany, President Johnson was in uniform. He was the first member of Congress on active duty. During his service in the war he received the Silver Star for gallantry in action on a flight over New Guinea.

He returned to Congress in 1942, after President Franklin D. Roosevelt ordered all members of the Congress in the Armed Forces to return to their offices.

In 1948 he defeated former Texas Governor Coke Stevenson in an unusually tight election for the United States Senate. Out of about one million votes cast, President Johnson won by a majority of 87 votes. After distinguishing himself in the Senate as a party whip and minority leader, in 1955 he became the youngest majority leader in history, assuming the post at the age of 46.



Lyndon B. Johnson

He suffered a heart attack in July, 1955, and after hospitalization in the Nation's Capitol, recuperated on his Texas ranch and returned to the Senate on Dec. 12, of the same year.

The Southern Democrats launched a drive to win the presidential nomination for him in 1956 and 1960; both times he lost by only a very narrow margin. In 1960, after Mr. Kennedy received the Democratic presidential nomination, he was offered and accepted second place on the ticket and actively supported the views and campaign of Mr. Kennedy.

The 55-year-old President is married to the former Claudia (Lady Bird) Taylor and they have two children, Lynda Bird, 19, and Lucy Baines, 16.

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Sp5 Tostrud Of Headquarters Co Selected As Post EM of Month

Army Specialist Five James O. Tostrud, 25, of River Falls, Wis., was named Kagnew Station Enlisted Man of the Month on Nov. 20.

Competing against Army, Navy and Air Force personnel, Specialist Tostrud was selected by a board composed of senior non-commissioned officers. He was presented a certificate and a \$25 award by Post Commander, Colonel Keene N. Wilson, on November 29.

Specialist Tostrud is the son of Mrs. Ethel Tostrud, 221 East Locust St., River Falls, Wisconsin. His wife, Judith, is residing with her husband in Asmara.

The soldier entered the Army Oct. 30, 1961, and took basic training at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo. Subsequently, he attended administrative school at Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indiana.

Specialist Tostrud is a graduate of River Falls (Wis.) High School and attended River Falls State College from 1956 through 1958. He was formerly employed by Minnesota Mining and Manufacturing, Inc., of St. Paul, Minn.

The soldier is a personnel specialist working in the Personnel Section of Post Headquarters at Kagnew Station.



AN APPRECIATED GIFT — Mr. Teclhaimanot Menghsteab, Asmara's Y.M.C.A. secretary (right), accepts a check for \$200. Eth. from Chaplain (Captain) Clyde E. Smith at the Post Chapel, November 22. The check, comprised of Protestant and Catholic funds, was donated by the Post Chaplain Fund Council, headed by Major Leonard D. Lemon. The gift was presented to the 'Y' to help boost their budget which subsists on voluntary contributions.

KANU - TV Celebrates Eighth Year of Service

«Kagnew Gets Army's First TV Unit» was the headline that appeared in the Kagnew Gazelle on August, 31, 1955, proclaiming the installation of KANU-TV.

Actually, it wasn't until December 2 of that year that the Armed Forces Radio and Television Service outlet became operable. Eight years have passed and noticeable changes have occurred, including the replacement of the old 60-foot tower with a 188-foot antenna, and the old transmitter has made way for a more powerful model.

To house the AFRTS facility, at Kagnew Station a building was constructed at the present site of the television station. When this building was completed, the radio outlet joined its younger counterpart in information and education at the new location from its «main post area» building at Tract A.

To celebrate the eighth anniversary of KANU-TV, a special programming schedule will be in effect on Monday, December 2. Starting at 9 a.m. and continuing to 3:30 p.m. KANU-TV and radio will broadcast simultaneously from the main television studio. All interested personnel are invited to tour the facilities at this time and help celebrate the anniversary. A tour of the station with an explanation of its functions and refreshments for the visitors will be in the offering. Also a special film will be shown on how the AFRTS outlets operate, at 11:30 a.m. and again at 2:30 and 6:30 that afternoon and evening.

The visitors touring the KANU-TV facilities during its open house, will receive a comment sheet on which one will have the opportunity to ask about programming at the television outlet and make suggestions for future programming.

Any questions which one may have will probably be answered on the special hour-long tour of the station on television. At this time all staff members will be introduced to the viewers and an explanation of their various assignments «behind and in front of the cameras» will be elucidated. An explanation of the reasons behind the station's programming policies will be explained at this time. If you have ever wondered «Why don't they ever schedule what I want to see when

are encouraged to view this special celebration program.

To further commemorate its anniversary KANU-TV will unveil a new format, which will include new station identifications, a new format for the six-o' clock edition of the news, and use of their extensive library of visual aids.

All in all, the eighth anniversary of the KANU-TV station should be very informative and an exciting event.

USAREUR Surgical Consultant to Tour Medical Facilities

Colonel H. Haskell Ziperman, surgical consultant, USAREUR, is scheduled to arrive at Kagnew Station on December 10 for a five-day visit.

Upon his arrival early Tuesday morning, he will be met by Major Peter W. Hoagland, hospital detachment commander, and then escorted to the Officers Club for a breakfast in his honor.

After being briefed in the post conference room, Colonel Ziperman will tour the Kagnew Station facilities, and then will attend a luncheon at the Officers Club.

Prior to his inspection tour the hospital's facilities, he will be briefed on its procedures by heads of each department.

The next morning, the USAREUR surgical consultant will tour the Veterinary activities at Tract A, followed by a tour of Asmara and surrounding vicinity. A luncheon hosted by USAH will round out the Colonel's second day of visiting.

For the next two days, prior to his scheduled departure on December 14, Colonel Ziperman will be the honored guest at several receptions, including a «hail and farewell» at the Officers Club on Friday, December 13.

Men of Honor Guard Picked For Sharp Military Bearing

Who are the men in the clean-fitting uniforms, the shiny helmets, and white boots in their spit-shined laces? Who are the men who represent the American people, the United States Army, and Kagnew Station; these men who have honored civilians, generals, admirals, and heads of state; who comprise firing squads for Memorial Day and special occasions; who officially salute retiring soldiers? These men are the Kagnew Station Honor Guard, and, as Lieutenant Anthony H. Newton put it, «They are soldiers.»

Lieutenant Newton, who has been commanding the Honor Guard for 15 months, said that most of the men on the Honor Guard are volunteers, but there are a few who were picked because they «showed outstanding ability in the handling of the M-1 rifle, dressed sharply, and had outstanding military bearing.»

In order to maintain their expert ability to execute close-order drill and the manual of arms, the Honor Guard practices with the M-1 rifle twice a week during the off-duty hours of Tuesday and Thursday.

Lieutenant Newton said that besides personal pride, there are many other benefits one can obtain by being a member of the Kagnew Station Honor Guard.

Two Officers, Two EM Receive Recent Promotions Here

David L. Stanley, officer in charge of KANU radio and TV, and post public information officer, was promoted to captain on 14 November.

Before coming to Kagnew in January of this year Captain Stanley was assigned to the Sixth U. S. Army Recruiting District at Presidio of San Francisco as the adjutant.

With the captain at Kagnew is his wife, Patricia, and their children, Carol, 9, and Stephen, 7.

Another officer, Lieutenant Earl C. Weeks is wearing the silver bar of a first lieutenant as of 11 November.

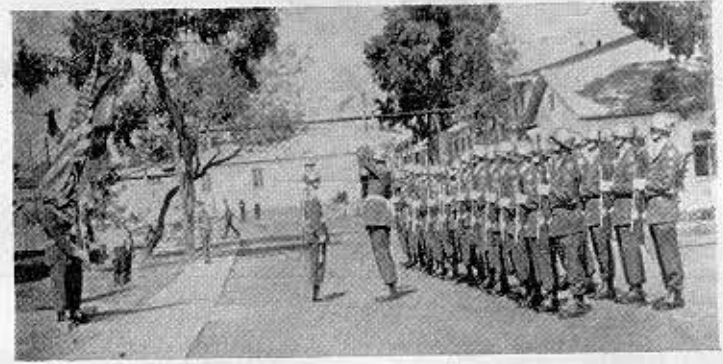
Before arriving at Kagnew with his wife, Shirley, and their two children, Lieutenant Weeks was a student at the Signal School at Fort Gordon, Ga.

A graduate of Norwich University, the lieutenant has a Bachelor of Science degree in psychology.

Two sergeants were also promoted recently.

Sergeant Donald S. Ross was promoted to master sergeant on 22 November. Sergeant Ross arrived here with his wife, Maria, and their three children, from his previous assignment in Saigon, Vietnam.

Walter T. Uptain was promoted to sergeant first class on 12 November. Sergeant Uptain, of Cordova, Alabama, is at Kagnew with his wife, Geraldine, and their three children.



FREE—ZENT... ARMS! — Honor Guard Commander 1st Lieutenant Anthony H. Newton (center) gives commands at a practice session. The Honor Guard practices twice a week to maintain their high standards.

Long History of Oppression Molds Unique Soviet Soldiers

The first of two articles on «The Soviet Soldiers» from the book, «The Red Army Today» by Colonel Louis B. Ely.

An appraisal of the people who comprise the Red Army is especially difficult. Not only are the people unlike each other, as in every other army, but a more important reason is that the age-old Russian civilization is in conflict with the Communist system. Both the natural Russian character and Russian Communism is baffling to Westerners. This combination has produced a nation and army that is unique.

More than a thousand years ago, the Russians were driven from their native open country to the dense forests. Here they lived peacefully, enduring the biting cold and surviving famines. They lived in log huts with dirt floors. These dwellings still house a large percentage of Russians today.

Without a government to protect them, they hid in the thickets when foreign armies passed through their lands. Within each independent community, an interdependence developed, and a system of common land ownership and the communal system began.

In the ninth century the Vikings invaded Russia. They robbed, kidnapped, and sold their spoils and Russian slaves in the world market at Constantinople. In time, the Vikings established trade centers, raised armies, and warred between themselves, devastating the Russian communes each time they passed. Still, the Russians persevered. In the 11th century, Asian nomads cut off the Vikings from Constantinople. With no trade center for their goods, they put the Russian slaves to work raising crops.

The next invaders were the great hordes of Mongols. They had no trouble defeating the Vikings. Because of their lack of interest in the economies of the country, the Mongols allowed the Viking princes to pay them tribute which, in turn, they extracted from the Russian people who were now slaves and serfs on their own land. The Mongols chose one of the princes as their representative and «tax collector» with his office in the city of Moscow. When, after 200 years, the Mongols became weak, the successor to this prince ceased payment, but now kept the profits for himself.

The first large-scale rebellion of the people began with a quarrel among the princes over the succession to the throne of Moscow. The Kossacks, who were strong enough to defend their land against the Vikings, joined the peasants in seizing and distributing the landowners' property. When the new prince was finally decided upon, he, calling himself Czar (king or emperor), proceeded to help the landowners stamp out the last traces of the rebellion and return the land to the owners. For centuries thereafter, more restrictions were placed on the people. The landlord could legally beat and sell the peasant. For some offenses, they were buried to their necks and left to die. Any rare rebellions were met with butchery and further enslavement.

As late as 1800, 34 million Russians were in bondage. Of these, because the Czars were able to acquisition property, nearly half were serfs of the State.

In 1861 it was declared that the serfs were no longer bound to the service of the landlords. Because they had to pay in money for their freedom, the need for money still tied them to the same

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Post QM Laundry Gest Equipment To Speed Work

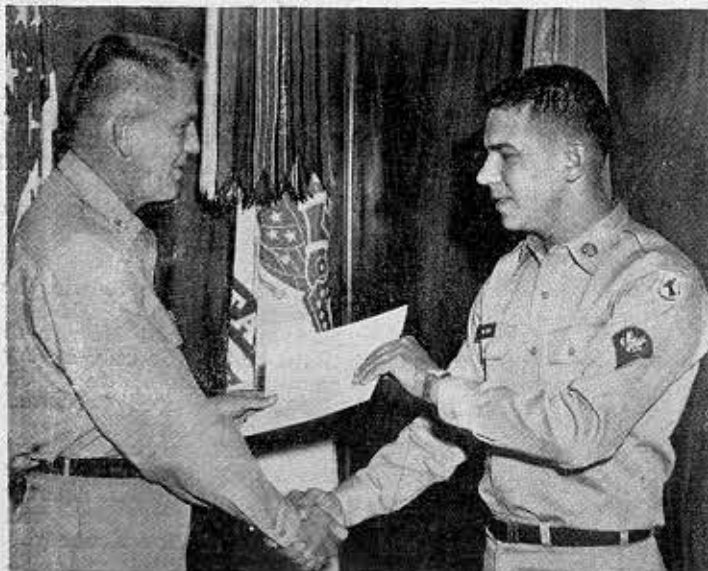
Clean clothes and laundry is the object, and new equipment has arrived to make the task of the Post Quartermaster's laundry easier.

Sergeant John Squires, manager of the laundry, announced that a new dryer tumbler and a clothing press have arrived and should be completely installed by the end of January. At a cost of \$1,170 and \$9,050 respectively, the new dryer and press will reduce the time necessary to complete their workload.

With the arrival of the new dryer, the laundry's total is up to four and the new press will replace the obsolete one in present use. With the increase in laundry capacity, the post laundry handled 61,000 pieces of laundry last month and 3,000 pieces of drycleaning.

Sergeant Squires added that the installation of the new press will necessitate closing that particular section of the shop for about a week. This means that during this period, all personnel should keep in mind that no pressing of sheets can be done at the post laundry.

Johnson cont. from p. 1. Forces President Johnson declared, «Praying to be worthy of God's guidance, let us rededicate ourselves to the continuing tasks before us remembering always that the price of our liberty is eternal vigilance.»



A JOB WELL DONE — Specialist Four Robert J. Klumm of Headquarters Company (right) receives congratulations and a Certificate of Achievement from Colonel Keene N. Wilson, post commander, at Kagnew Station Headquarters, November 22. Specialist Klumm, of Holland, Ohio, was awarded the certificate for his outstanding performance during his tour at Kagnew Station as Signal Supply Parts Specialist at the Consolidated Property office.

THE

SPORTS



CIRCLE



The Kagnew Station sports scene has been a little slow during the past few weeks, but should pick up activity in December if everything goes according to schedule.

Special Services sponsored a horseshoe tournament recently with the play-off being held on Tuesday, November 26, at the new horseshoe pits located behind the Post Gymnasium. Guard Company personnel showed their superiority at the event as they captured first place in the singles and doubles championships. The company's commanding officer, Captain George Deringer, captured first place in the singles events, followed by Wade Ziglar of Guard Company. Alton Hawkins and Roger Wolver, both of Headquarters Company, took third and fourth place in the tournament respectively.

The doubles event of the horseshoe tourney saw Captain Deringer and Martin Lamdrum of Guard Company team up to defeat the rest of the field and take first place. Headquarters Company was represented in this part of the tourney by Billy Brinson and Alton Hawkins and their performances were good enough for second place while Richard Perry and Lawrence Pohner of SRU-9 took third place.

All of the winners in both events of the horseshoe tournament were presented with trophies which were awarded by Special Services.

The bowling league went into action once again this week as the lanes were re-opened after being closed for refinishing and the installation of new gutters. Sergeant Haulsee, manager of the lanes, said that the following information is needed as soon as possible in order to gain ABC sanctioning for the nine military and mixed leagues now in progress: All rosters of leagues with their name or number and the list of each member of all teams including substitutes and the captains of each team in all leagues. The nine leagues will be sanctioned as soon as all required information is received.

The Officers Wives Bowling League and the EM Wives Bowling League are expected to be sanctioned by the WIBC within the next 30 to 40 days.

Special Services has announced that basketball is scheduled to get under way in December. The leagues are to start action on December 19, therefore all rosters must be submitted to the Special Services office not later than December 10.

Bowling in Full Operation With Refinished Lanes

The Ernie Pyle Gymnasium bowling lanes have received a new face-lifting and are now ready for Kagnew Station keggles.

The refinished lanes, with new gutters, were officially reopened on Wednesday, 20 November, as Colonel Keene N. Wilson, post commander, assisted by Captain John A. Voetsch III, special services officer, cut the ceremonial ribbon. Colonel Wilson stepped up, and bowling left-handed, threw the ball down the lanes knocking eight pins over. He then made way for the Officers Wives Bowling League, the first organized competition on the refinished lanes.

Representatives of AMF refinished the lanes so that they will now meet the American Bowling Congress' standards. The ABC has now renewed the Kagnew Station charter, thereby sanctioning the lanes. The entire operation took about 14 days to complete, including the installation of the new gutters.

The modernization program for the lanes started in June of this year and has included the installation of a new ventilation system, purchase of new overhead scoring units, new house balls and a new measuring ball for those who desire to order their own ball. With the refinishing of the lanes and installation of the new gutters, the \$4,400 modernization program is completed.



IT'S NOW OFFICIAL — Post Commander Keene N. Wilson (left), assisted by Captain John A. Voetsch III, Special Services Officer, cuts the ribbon which officially re-opens the post bowling lanes on Wednesday, November 20. The re-opening of the refinished lanes was the highlight of the recent renovation at the Ernie Pyle Gymnasium.

Sports

SCENE 'n HEARD

Many thought the psychological warfare that went into last year's Army-Navy game would never again be equaled. Could be, but mounting excitement and tension for the Army-Navy football battle on Dec. 7 is challenging the 1962 episode.

Up and down the East Coast, newspapers report a rising Army-Navy fever that will reach its peak the day of the game. That's when Wayne Hardin of Navy and Paul Dietzel of Army have but one worry left, each other.

Both coaches have flairs for the football bizare, a fact quite obvious in last year's game, won by Navy, 34-14.

As the big Saturday in Philadelphia approached, placard painters smeared sarcastic slogans and sports pages blared the charges and counter-charges of coaches, players and students.

The Corps and the Brigade taunted and teased on opposite banks awaiting the appearance of the combatants. Navy came out wearing the skull and crossbones on its headgear. On the sides of their helmets the Middies had painted «Beat Army» in Chinese characters, thereby mocking the Army's defensive unit—the now defunct Chinese Bandits.

And Army wore white shoes, hardly signifying purity of intentions.

Those close to the Army-Navy rivalry say that a lot of psychological warfare isn't really necessary to get the teams up for the game. «At either Academy, the mere mention of the other team is enough to make a player's blood boil,» says a former Army tackle, Col. Robert E. Hayes.

The biggest prank for either team, of course, is victory. **EXTRA POINTS** — Navy quarterback Roger Staubach and Air Force quarterback Terry Isaacson have been among the top 10 total offense leaders all season.

Roosevelt Theater

1-2 December — «The Manchurian Candidate» — Frank Sinatra, Lawrence Harvey and Janet Leigh.

3 December — «The Colossus of Rhodes» — Rory Calhoun and Lea Massari.

4 December — «Whistle Down the Wind» — Hayley Mills and Alan Bates.

5-6 December — «Swordman of Siena» — Stewart Granger, Sylva Koscina and Christine Kaufmann.

7 December — «The Great Chase» — Buster Keaton and Douglas Fairbanks Jr.

KIDDIE MATINEE — «The Fastest Gun Alive» — Glenn Ford Edwards and Geanne Crain.

8-9 December — «Who's got the Action?» — Dean Martin, Lana Turner and Eddie Albert.

10 December — «The Tin Star» — Henry Fonda and Anthony Perkins.

11 December — «Reptilicus» — Carl Otosen and Ann Smyrner.

12-13 December — «Posse From Hell» — Audie Murphy and John Saxon.

14 December — «Captains Courageous» — Spencer Tracy, Freddie Bartholomew and Lionel Barrymore.

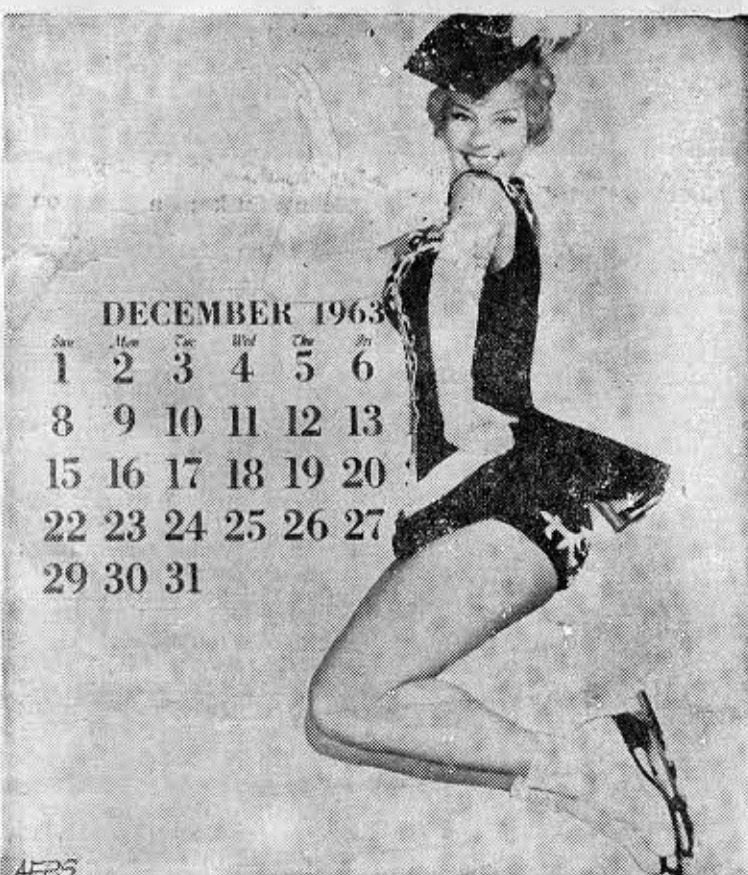
KIDDIE MATINEE — «Come Next Spring» — Ann Sheridan and Steve Cochran.

QUIZ

1. What college football team has appeared in the most bowl games?
2. Who was the smallest player of all time in professional football?
3. Name the only two active horses that have earned over one million dollars.
4. What famous race track in New York State closed last year after nearly a century of thoroughbred racing?
5. What year was the «Indianapolis 500» inaugurated?
6. Who is the only jockey to win the Kentucky Derby five times and the «Triple Crown» twice?
7. Aside from the Yankees' four straight losses to the Dodgers, another most unusual record was equaled for the first time in 53 years in the A.L. What was it?

Answers to Quiz

1. Alabama and Georgia Tech are tied for the honor with 16 each.
2. Buddy Young, 5' 4".
3. Carry Back and Kelso.
4. Belmont Park.
5. 1911.
6. Eddie Arcaro.
7. No player appeared in every game played by his team.



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DECEMBER CALENDAR GIRL — Lovely Jill Shipstad waves while rehearsing a number for the «Ice Follies» show. Miss Shipstad combines beauty and talent in her skating performances.

Women's Corner

by Mrs. Guy Darden

New officers for the Girl Scout Neighborhood Community are Jean Lemon, President; Pat Stanley, Secretary, and Sandy Waller, Treasurer. The 1964 calendars are available from any of the Brownies or Girl Scouts. These calendars are very nice with easy to read date spaces, large enough to jot down appointments. The pictures for each month depict some phase of scouting and show the versatility of Scouting projects.

Pat Stanley and her group of Brownies were guests on «King George's Kingdom of the Kiddies in the Shoe» TV program, Saturday 30 November.

The Protestant Women of the Chapel Guild will meet in the home of Elda Buxton, building 250, apartment C, for their executive meeting 10 December 9:30 a.m. After lunch, the ladies will spend the afternoon completing their Christmas needlework projects. This group will meet 12 December at the Teen Club from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. and will make popcorn balls for the Deaf School at Keren.

The Guild will have their Christmas party, 16 December and exchange handiwork of their own as gifts. All Protestant ladies are invited to attend and bring something they have made to exchange, and share in the Christmas festivities.

Mrs. Robert C. Gardenier and Mrs. John L. Mitchell are having a coffee for all Operation Company wives, 6 December, 10:00 a.m. at the Top Five Club. A new tradition here at Kagnew is the baking of Christmas goodies for the men of Operations Company who are single or are not accompanied by their families. This will be the third Christmas that the wives have shared their baked Christmas goodies in order to to brighten the holidays for others.

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soil for decades more. Since the communal system discouraged initiative, it was, for the most part, retained by the landowners.

The over-oppressed peasant revolted again when the Russo-Japanese War demanded even more from them. But because they had no political organization they could not hold their gains.

In 1917, after tremendous losses at the World War I front and further disruption of the economy, the peasant and his new ally, the factory worker, again rebelled against the now weakened and inefficient Czar. The small well organized Communist Party took over and «quieted» all who opposed them, including a high percentage of intellectuals.

The Communists permitted certain economic freedoms in order to get the country on its feet. The peasants began to establish a more comfortable standard of living. Then, in 1932-3, the Com-

munist established collective farms which was, after a few years of comparable freedom, violently opposed by the peasants. The Ukraine was hardest hit by the collective farm system. Because of its frontier position, the Ukraine was able to develop some independent farms during the Czarist era. Although the Ukraine was dominated by the Czarist system, it developed somewhat apart from Russia because it was the buffer zone between the invading armies and the Muscovites. Even the language changed slightly.

In the meantime, the State established factories and developed industries which had been lagging behind the rest of the world. Production was pushed to the breaking point. The Communists also provided education to vast numbers who, under the Czars, would remain illiterate. With the obvious advances came the Communist propaganda which, built on the innate patriotic love for «Mother Russia.»

Gifts Wrapped, Packed Free At Service Club

Christmas is fast approaching and time is running out if you want your presents to arrive in the United States in time to catch the jolly fellow in the red suit and white whiskers. If you want to make that deadline, take your gifts to the Service Club where they will be wrapped, packed, and ready to be mailed in short order.

Under the direction of Miss Jo Zehmer, Kagnew Station Service Club Director, an average of 75 to 100 packages a day are gift-wrapped with one of 15 different combinations of wrappings, and then boxed properly for mailing. Included in the selection of wraps are the latest aluminum foil papers in many colors and patterns. Ribbons of various sizes, colors, and textures complement the gifts that are carefully wrapped by the Service Club staff.

The Club has a supply of hundreds of boxes in sizes ranging to the largest the post office will allow, which, incidentally, is not more than 64 inches in girth nor 100 inches in length and girth combined.

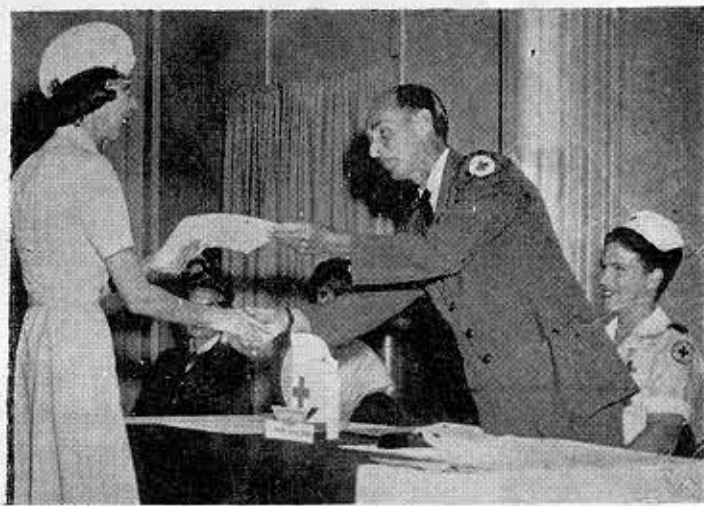
Although the flow of packages is picking up, Miss Zehmer said, «So far, we haven't wrapped as many packages this year as we did last year at this time, even though the post is larger. Maybe everyone's waiting for payday!»

Much More Mail Expected at APO Than Has Arrived

«The incoming mail this Christmas is not as great as we had expected. Actually, it's less that it has been since 1960. Either people just aren't mailing or there's a backlog somewhere between here and the United States.» That was what Lieutenant Anthony H. Newton, Kagnew Station's Army Post Office officer, had to say about the mail situation.

The lieutenant estimated that there would be approximately 21,000 pounds of incoming parcel post for the month of November. That figure is way below that of last year's and the year before. Lieutenant Newton went on to say that the amount of outgoing mail is just about normal.

Because of its great cost, parcel post and other surface mail from and to Asmara was recently rerouted. This mail must now travel by Military Air Transport Service aircraft. Consequently, parcel post now takes an average of from six to eight weeks to travel between here and the U.S. Despite the new routing, Kagnew Station finds itself receiving some of the fastest and best mail service in all of the U. S. armed services. Lieutenant Newton said that if an air mail letter were mailed from here to Long Island, New York, it would reach its destination in approximately three days. Air parcel post, he said, would take in the vicinity of a week to reach Long Island or even San Francisco, for example.



«MY SINCERE THANKS» — Mr. Charles Blue, Kagnew Station Red Cross field director, presents Mrs. Margaret O'Halloran with a certificate of appreciation and offers his personal thanks to her for «filling in» for him during his recent hospitalization. The presentation took place on November 13 at the Tract A Community Center.

Red Cross Caps Volunteers At Recognition Ceremonies

The Kagnew Station Red Cross held a capping and recognition ceremony for Gray Ladies and Staff Aides at the Tract A Community Center on November 13.

Lieutenant Colonel Joseph G. Wheeler, deputy post commander, was the guest speaker for the ceremony honoring the local volunteers which was attended by approximately 75 person. The occasion was also attended by Major Peter W. Hoagland, post surgeon, Captain Joseph Cheatham and Major Barbara A. Clymer, chief nurse at the Kagnew Station U.S. Army Hospital.

Mrs. Harriette Wheeler presented caps to the following Gray Ladies: Dona Blue, Kitty Broadhurst, Peggy Downs, Julie Drennan, Jan Hill, Jean Pearson, Betty Slagle, Daisy Syriac, Mary Waddle and Ellen Wilkie. She also presented caps to following Staff Aides: Dorothy Cochrane, Julie Drennan, Wilma Mays, Wanda Rice and Judy Ringmacher. Assisting with the capping ceremonies were Major Phyllis Smout, Army health nurse and Kitty

Stetson, chairman of the Kagnew Station Gray Ladies.

Mr. Charles Blue, Kagnew Station Red Cross field director, presented one presented 250 hour certificates to Margaret O'Halloran, Lyn Thompson and Dorothy Zabaldano and a 500 hour certificate to Bernice Teeter. Mrs. O'Halloran was also presented with a certificate of appreciation for volunteering her time and services by «filling in» for Mr. Blue during his recent hospitalization.

Completing the award ceremony, Jewel O'Brien, Elaine Baugh, Norma Clark, Lee Stone and Dorothy Hendricks were presented advance first aid cards.

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two days: Nell Collins; Dorothy Zabaldano; Madeleine Mitchell; Jan Hill; John McGrath; Frank Knight; Irene Maello; Thomas Sesiak; Lois Heitzke; Ann Jackson; Mary Waddle; Patsy Cheatham; Jody Mannon; Vickie Beimfohr; Julie Osborne; O'dell Jackson; Chic Downing; Dotie Waters; Dona Blue; Bunny Rosenberg; Maxine Mulvehill; Clarisse Lee; Roland Boggs; Donna White; Melody Chatman; Alberta Truhenstein; Marilyn Whepley; Jean Lemon; Leonard Lemon; Marlene Cole; Ellen Samz; Judy Kiple; Jean Pearson; Mary Kennedy; Doreen Weber; Claire Frye; Lyn Taylor; Karen Bacon; Frankie Pittington; Raili Klee; Carol Ross; Jean Hamon; Goldie Holsinger; Daisy Moore; Maryliz Weil; Pat Rouser; Betty Vydra; Harriette Wheeler; Joseph Wheeler; Fran Caterini; Tony Vydra; Jean Hetchen; Liz Willsey; Lyn Thompson; Ruth Allison; Marie Bock; Harry Rodgers; Don Allison; Grover Bock and Edna Rodgers.

The following persons will be donating baked goods for the bazaar: Jan Hill; Liz Hadley; Nell Egert; Judy Ringmacher; Dottie Gardenier; Dru Imman; Carol Ross; Rochael Swanson; Lynn Johnson; Ruth Wright; Mary Kennedy; Anne Satter-

ley; Jay Ryan; Joy Newton; Lynne Courant; Harriette Wheeler; Violet Gwin; Mary Jean Wilkerson; Betty Click; Monica Dooley; Nell Collins; Dorothy Zabaldano; Roberta Cook; Harriet O'Neil; Gene Wilson; Virginia Atchison; Glennis Susko; Karen Bacon; Cissy Dupee; Mary Campbell; Margaret O'Halloran; Lois Heitzke; Mary Ann Brocken; Mrs. Reuterdahl; Shirley Weeks; Sandra Chaney; Kay Stone; Frankie Pittington; Alberta Truhenstein; Betty Vydra; Fran Caterini; June Brooks; Shirley McGinnis; Gwen Pringle; Virginia Dunn; Helen Crouch; Dona Blue; Pat Rouser; Mrs. Burwood-Taylor; Lyn Thompson; Judy Brannon; Vickie Beimfohr; Gwen Doidge; Marlene Cole; Ouida Ireland; Mary Waddle; Pat Stanley; Julie Osborne; Phyllis Bolton; Claire Frye; Kitty Stetson; Mary Ann May; Lee Richardson; Judy Bourland; Debbie Seigman; Lyn Taylor and Goldie Holsinger.

All personnel of Kagnew Station are urged to attend the International Bazaar, to acquaint themselves with the cultures of the many countries represented and to purchase some of the interesting items available, thereby helping those less fortunate to have a merry Christmas.



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