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Merry Christmas

A MESSAGE FROM THE COMMANDER

Once again the holiday season is here. Thanksgiving has past and Christmas is just around the corner. To me this season is not just a time of merriment and the giving and receiving of gifts. I should hope that we all gave thanks on Thanksgiving Day for what we have and for what the future has in store for us. Contrary to many opinions, we as Americans have much to be thankful for. Our country has many faults as do we as individuals, but with its faults it still stands head and shoulders above any other country on earth.

We see decent and frustration around us every day, some loud, some quiet, some peaceful and some violent, but all with the same end in mind and that is to impose the will of the few on the many. If this system is allowed to work then our government will crumble into anarchy. What kind of Christmas gift would that be to pass down to our grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Lets all, during this holiday season, reflect on what we can do to improve our society and our country, and resolve to do our best to carry the spirit of Christmas with us throughout the year.

I wish for each of you and your families the most joyful and rewarding of holiday season and may God bestow his many blessings on each of you throughout the coming year.

ONE MORE ON ACTIVE DUTY

"Failure to satisfactorily progress" has earned Airman Charles B. Earnhardt, Jr., of the 192d CAMRON, 18 months and 3 days of active duty at England AFB, La.

Missed any drills lately? Failed an SKT or EOC? When you right down to the nitty gritty of it, maybe you are the one who gets the most out of regular attendance and proper study habits.

ANNUAL AIRMENS CHRISTMAS PARTY

CLUB 149
 20 DECEMBER 1969
 1900 - 2100 HRS
 BUFFET & COCKTAILS
 2130 - 0030 HRS
 DANCING TO THE "BLUE ROYALS"
 COAT & TIE
 NO CHARGE - FREE SET-UPS
 B.Y.O.L.

Due to the increased interest in the Annual Airmens Christmas Party on 20 December 1969 it is absolutely necessary that each airman planning to attend notify his 1st Sgt by name on 13 December 1969. At present and still in the planning stage in that each member will be able to bring a date and/or wife plus one additional couple. The final decision on the additional couple will be made after the final count is obtained on 13 December 1969.



VAANG RECEIVES AWARD FOR BOMEX MISSION

The 192d Tactical Fighter Group Virginia Air National Guard has received a plaque and letter of appreciation for participation in the Barbados Oceanographic and Meteorological Experiment (BOMEX) this past summer. Robert M. White, Administrator of the Environmental Sciences Section of the United States Department of Commerce wrote a letter of appreciation to Governor Godwin stating "The 192d Tactical Fighter Group provided vital air logistical support to BOMEX and contributed directly and substantially to the success of the operation".

The BOMEX mission was part of a National experiment in connection with the government of Barbados. It was a study of Air-Sea Interaction over a tropical ocean to determine where most of the earth's solar energy is received by the sea and transferred to the atmosphere. Eleven government agencies and Universities, along with numerous ships and aircraft participated in the mission.

During GMT in November, Colonel William E. Haymes presented a plaque, on behalf of Governor Godwin, to LtCol Claude F. Heath, Commander of the 192d. The plaque was inscribed, "In Deep Appreciation for Outstanding Contributions to the Success of the Barbados Oceanographic and Meteorological Experiment this plaque is awarded to the 192d."



next drill
 13 & 14 Dec

14 DEC - AM UTA ONLY



(An AFNS Feature)

When Ed's car was stolen from a repair shop, he demanded damages for the loss. In a court hearing, he accused the management of negligence for leaving the car in a vacant lot, unattended, with the key in the ignition. But the company replied:

"We have a sign on our wall reading 'NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR THEFT.' That means exactly what it says."

Nevertheless, in spite of the sign, the court upheld Ed's claim. The judge said that, as a matter of public policy, the law usually will not let a garage escape liability for its own carelessness.

In other words, the law does not always accept signs at face value. Other factors may be taken into account in deciding on a sign's legal efficacy.

Thus, not only public policy but also the legibility and the position of a sign may affect its value. In one case the manufacturer of a powerful cleaning fluid was held liable for a customer's injury because the warning on the label was so small, and so obscure, that it was easily overlooked.

But that doesn't mean the public can disregard signs with impunity. For the most part, signs do serve an important purpose by putting people "on notice" and are indeed entitled to be obeyed. Certainly if you disregard the "WET PAINT" sign on a park bench, you do so at your peril.

SECURITY

QUARTERLY SECURITY INSPECTIONS:

Unit Security Officers and Commanders are reminded that Quarterly Security Inspections, IAW AFR 205-1/TAC SUP 1, are due this UTA. Please forward a copy of this inspection to Security Police Section this UTA.

NEW BASE REGULATIONS:

192d TFGR 207-1, Designation of Base Restricted Areas and 125-37 Protection of USAF Physical Resources have been reaccomplished. Unit Security Officers will assure that a copy of the above regulations are posted on Unit Bulletin Board. 192d TFG, OPLAN 207-70 has been reaccomplished also. All personnel are required to be familiar with the above directives.

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

Moratorium has been on the minds of many these past several months. This month, with the celebration of Hanukkah and Christmas, we are thinking of the God of Peace.

With appropriate words, the Postmaster General of the United States defended the President's policy in Viet Nam... "Who, in all decency, can pretend to desire peace more profoundly than the man who bears the final responsibility for war?"

Other critics of the Moratorium are less understanding of the meaning of peace. Believing that most of those who demonstrate are "slackers, evading military duty or disruptionists... whose real purpose is destruction of our American way of life" only polarizes and divides this Nation when no such division is intended. One foreign prime minister has called the demonstrations a "sign of the vitality of freedom."

What we need now are people who understand peace as maintaining the unity of our country in the face of divergent opinion. The peace of God comes to us through hard work. "Sometimes there is a small war between two brothers. Or perhaps groups polarize around two truths, both of which are valid-up to a point. How can each person's insight be given its due weight? Even when a reasonable composite of different views is reached, there may not be unity. Something underneath is infecting. We face this infection. It may require two people talking out their disagreement. It may need a long community meeting. Seldom is the real issue ever reached. But in the process of exchanging we catch glimpses of one another's fear and disbelief. In that glimpse we may also catch something of God's presence and we experience His compassion. He suffers with us and in us... but not in fear. He suffers in love, a divine selfgiving completely beyond our capacity except that He shares it with us.

"The way of peace, then, is the way of sharing God's Spirit. The Spirit knows our fear, the weakness of our flesh, our need for unity and our profound frustration in achieving it. The Spirit is ready, as free gift, to live His unity within us. Peace is the sign that we have accepted that gift.

NCO of the Month

SSGT GUY R. SAULS
N.C.O. OF THE MONTH

SSgt Guy R. Sauls of the 192d Communications Flight has been named the outstanding N.C.O. for the month of November for the Virginia Air National Guard.

Sgt Sauls enlisted in the Virginia Air National Guard in March of 1963. He is presently serving as a Communications Center Specialists in the Base Communications Center.

Captain James C. DeJarnette, Commander of the 192d Communications Flight said, "Sgt Sauls is a cooperative, conscientious supervisor who continually strives not just to do his job, but to perform in the best manner possible. He sets an outstanding example in job knowledge, bearing, appearance, and military courtesy for his subordinates. Since his return from Tech School, SSgt Sauls has been a very valuable asset to the Communications Flight and his supervisors place complete confidence and trust in his ability as a shift supervisor."

SSgt Sauls was born in Clintwood, Virginia in 1943, and is the son of Mr and Mrs Guy Sauls, Rt 1, Clintwood, Virginia. He is a graduate of Clintwood High School in the class of 1961. Guy is presently employed by Philip Morris, Inc. as a Shift-Foreman. 1009 Kenmore Drive, Mechanicsville, Virginia is home for Sgt Sauls and his wife, Myrtle. The Sauls have two children, Jackie, 13, and Gary, age 9 months. Hunting and fishing occupy the sergeant's leisure time.

We congratulate SSgt Guy R. Sauls of the 192d Communications Flight for being selected N.C.O. of the month for the Virginia Air National Guard and salute him on a job well done.

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WIVES CLUB NEWS

PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS
INVITED TO PARTY

Plans are being formulated for the annual Wives Club Christmas Party which will be held in the mess hall on Dec 17 at 6:30 P. M.

Chairman, Mrs Jeanette Mahoney and Mrs Mary Purvis are planning entertainment, food and music for prospective members and their husbands and members and their husbands. New members please call Mrs Purvis at 737-4387 for details.

Final arrangements also will be made for the Wives Club annual Christmas project.

We wish to thank all the husbands who so diligently helped us prepare and serve the delicious food for our annual Thanksgiving Dinner and Dance. It was the best yet. Those who love good fun and food should plan to attend next year.

AFPA CHAPTER TO BE FORMED

An organizational meeting for the purpose of forming a Chapter of the American Fighter Pilots Association will be held Sunday, December 14, at 12:05, immediately following drill, in the Pilots' Lounge.

"The American Fighter Pilots Association was formed to recognize the necessity for and to promote those aspects of aerial fighter preparedness which guarantees the security and peace of the United States and the free world; to unite all fighter pilots and those interested in the principles of the fighter crew profession in order that proper recognition may be given to them; to preserve the loyalty, fellowship and responsibilities that exist among fighter pilots and to further these qualities and our obligations as citizens of the United States." (An excerpt from the President's message).

Contact Major William P. "Whitey" Lemmond for additional information.

TRANSEC "TIP" OF THE MONTH

Classified information talked over, about, and around over unsecure communications media is filtered through the Third-Man. As a result of your carelessness, he has gained helpful intelligence data. The Third-Man is an enemy intelligence agent dedicated to monitoring command telephone and radio systems to identify weaknesses in TAC's COMSEC posture.

COMMUNIST RULES FOR REVOLUTION

The following is from a document that was captured by the allied forces in Dusseldorf, Germany, in May 1919. It was circulated in a recent letter by Fulton Lewis III and its authenticity verified by him in response to our request. It was printed in The Milwaukee Lutheran January 1969.

A. Corrupt the young, get them away from religion. Get them interested in sex. Make them superficial, destroy their ruggedness.

B. Get control of all means of publicity and thereby:

1. Get people's minds off their government by focusing their attention on athletics, sexy books and plays and other trivialities.

2. Divide the people into hostile groups by constantly harping on controversial matters of no importance.

3. Destroy the people's faith in their natural leaders by holding the latter up to contempt, ridicule, and obloquy.

4. Always preach true democracy but seize power as fast and as ruthlessly as possible.

5. By encouraging government extravagance, destroy its credit, reproduce fear of inflation with rising prices and general discontent.

6. Foment unnecessary strikes in vital industries, encourage civil disorders, and foster a lenient and soft attitude on the part of government toward such disorders.

7. By specious argument cause the breakdown of the old moral virtues: honesty, sobriety, continence, faith in the pledged word, ruggedness.

C. Cause the registration of all firearms on some pretext, with the view of confiscation of them and leaving the population helpless.

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HELP WANTED

STATE EMPLOYEE
UTILITIES SERVICE FOREMAN

Salary \$4320.00 annually to start. Raise in pay after six months to \$4512.00. Forty (40) hour week - membership in the Air National Guard not a prerequisite. No maximum age.

Contact Col Gravatt or Mr. Minish in Base Civil Engineering Section, Telephone 737-2891, Ext. 52.

FUN (ds) FOR CLUB 149

Turkey Shoots were held during the month of November to raise money for the Club. Colonel Gravatt, Sgt Lewis E. Heath and Sgt Gwaltney and company did a fine job. Two hundred and sixty four (\$264.00) dollars were raised for the club. This money will be used to help complete the remodeling of the kitchen and installation of the kitchen equipment. We had many winners. Those winning turkeys were R. C. Anderson, T. E. Brown, C. F. Heath, H. L. Ward, E. Donner, A. Mann, J. P. Gwaltney, A. W. Sours Jr., R. G. Davenport, A. W. Sours Jr., V. G. Thacker III, J. N. Hicks, A. Burcham, P. Gravatt, L. Heath, and J. P. Gwaltney. Those winning hams were D. R. Carneal, H. T. Yearly, W. P. Lemmond Jr., S. F. Ingram, B. R. Saunders, R. G. Davenport, C. Hughes, A. W. Sours, Stanley, J. P. Gwaltney, P. Gravatt, P. Gravatt, Adams, L. Donner, and C. Hughes.

In addition there were many lucky winners in the ham and turkey raffles. We plan to have some more Turkey Shoots in December so come out and join in the fun and sport and win a ham or turkey for Christmas.

VAANG SOFTBALL TEAM IS
RICHMOND CITY LEAGUE WINNER

Nineteen members of the Virginia Air National Guard showed their style on the softball diamond this summer and became Champions of the Monarch League of the Richmond Softball Association. The team posted a record of 24 wins and 4 losses in its first year of competition. Most of the games were played at the Hopkins Road Field, and manager-player, Bill Murphy reported that a great deal of support was given to the team by the Virginia Air National Guard. The Guard helped provide for some of the players' uniforms. The team members included Jim Gwaltney, Roy Madison, Andy Maxwell, Bob Helwig, John Johnson, Kenneth Gathright, Don Adams, Bill Powers, Ced Yates, Bob Davenport, Andy Anderson, Bob Mantlo, Bill Brown, Connie Hughes Hunter Moore, Walter Harr, M. Simmons, Jerry Ellyson, Bill Murphy (manager-player). Roy Madison was voted by the members of the team as the most valuable player for the 1969 Summer Season. The City of Richmond Softball Trophy was given to the Virginia Air National Guard Team by the Richmond Softball Association and was presented to the team by LtCol Claude Heath, Commander of the 192d.

PERSONNEL CHANGES

The following non-prior service applicants were enlisted into the units indicated during the month of November 1969.

192D COMBAT SUPPORT SQUADRON
AB RIDGILL, RICHARD L.

192D TAC DISPENSARY
AB SENSABAUGH, JAMES E.

The following prior service applicants were enlisted into the units indicated during the month of November 1969.

192D CAMRON
SGT LEIB, PAUL W., JR.

192D COMBAT SUPPORT SQUADRON
SGT SULLIVAN, CHARLES W.

The following personnel were discharged from the Virginia Air National Guard during the month of November 1969.

192D COMBAT SUPPORT SQUADRON
A1C DONNER, EUGENE D.
AMN CARDON, WAYNE L.

192D SUPPLY SQUADRON
SSG HOBSON, THOMAS R., JR.
SSG BELL, FRANKLIN W.

192D CAMRON
SSG BALACKE, HARRY W.
SGT BRANDON, WILLIAM T.
SSG HOLLAND, TROY D.
SSG ROWE, RODGER O.
SSG WILSON, HOWARD O.
AMN FOLDESI, DAVID L.
AMN VAUGHAN, WAYNE W.

149TH TACTICAL FIGHTER SQUADRON
MAJ HUGHES, HOLCOMBE A. J.

The following personnel extended their enlistment in the Virginia Air National Guard for a period of three (3) years.

192D CAMRON
TSG WILSON, JESSE B.
TSG KERAN, LEE R.

192D COMBAT SUPPORT SQUADRON
SMS LIGON, GEORGE A.

The following personnel reenlisted in the Virginia Air National Guard for a period of three (3) years.

192D COMBAT SUPPORT SQUADRON
SSG HAIR, JAMES R.
SSG MCCORMICK, ROBERT L.

192D CAMRON
TSG BROWN, WILLIAM R.

The following personnel were promoted to grades indicated.



The VaANG "golf pros" show their awards presented to them by LtCol Claude F. Heath for the Field Training Golf Tournament, 1969. Jeffery L. Dudley and Nickolas P. Valdrighi were top winners. Lewis E. Heath and Connie E. Hughes were 1st runners up. Jeffery L. Dudley was top scorer with Low Gross.



Shown above are the Softball Champions for Field Training 1969. Supply Squadron's Team was composed of Dan Adams, Allan Smith, Mike Schooff, Earl Norman, Ronnie Adams, Don Duke, Joe Fostek, III, Jim Fostek, Emory Williams, Hernond Brock, Larry Edmundson, Thomas Brown, and Thomas Florence.

192D SUPPLY SQUADRON
SMS DAVIS, D. E.
SSG CEGLIA, W. J.
SGT SINGSHEIMER, A. H.
SGT STANLEY, S. R.

192D CAMRON
SSG FOSTER, C. H.
SSG HIGH H. C.
SSG HODGES, G. W.
SGT DOWDY, R. E.
SGT ROACH, J. M.
A1C DODSON, M. D.

192D TAC DISPENSARY
MSG EDMONDS, R. V.

192D COMMUNICATIONS FLIGHT (SPT)
SGT WIRSH, E. W.

192D COMBAT SUPPORT SQUADRON
A1C DUDLEY, J. L.

The following personnel were demoted to grades indicated.

192D CAMRON
AMN HAZLEWOOD, G. M.

The following personnel were appointed to the 149th Tactical Fighter Squadron as a pilot trainee.

2LT DONNER, EUGENE D.

Correspondence With President Ho Chi Minh Released

Here is text of exchange of correspondence with the late President Ho Chi Minh mentioned by President Nixon in his Nov. 3 address:

July 15, 1969

Dear Mr. President:

I realize that it is difficult to communicate meaningfully across the gulf of four years of war. But precisely because of this gulf, I wanted to take this opportunity to reaffirm in all solemnity my desire to work for a just peace. I deeply believe that the war in Vietnam has gone on too long and delay in bringing it to an end can benefit no one—least of all the people of Vietnam.

My speech on May 14 laid out a proposal which I believe is fair to all parties. Other proposals have been made which attempt to give the people of South Vietnam an opportunity to choose their own future. These proposals take into account the reasonable conditions of all sides. But we stand ready to discuss other programs as well, specifically the 10-point program of the NLF.

As I have said repeatedly, there is nothing to be gained by waiting. Delay can only increase the dangers and multiply the suffering.

The time has come to move forward at the conference table toward an early resolution of this tragic war. You will find us forthcoming and open-minded in a common effort to bring the blessings of peace to the brave people of Vietnam. Let history record that at this critical juncture, both sides turned their face toward peace rather than toward conflict and war.

Sincerely,

RICHARD NIXON

His Excellency
Ho Chi Minh
President
Democratic Republic of Vietnam
Hanoi

COMMANDERS DIGEST

November 8, 1969

Chronology of Decisions to De-Escalate War

Following are major policy decisions that have shaped United States' action in de-escalating the war in Vietnam.

March 31, 1968—United States aircraft and naval vessels were ordered by President Johnson to make no attacks on North Vietnam north of the 20th Parallel. Bombing was permitted in the area north of the demilitarized zone where a continuing enemy buildup threatened allied forward positions.

Oct. 31, 1968—A total bombing halt was ordered for all of North Vietnam above the demilitarized zone.

January 11, 1969—Representative Melvin R. Laird (Secretary of Defense designate) expressed hope that the war in Vietnam could be ended by next year (1970) and that he would give his enthusiastic support as Secretary of Defense to this end.

May 10, 1969—Secretary of Defense Melvin Laird makes clear that one of three conditions must be met before any U.S. troop withdrawals from Vietnam would be made: 1—Agreement on mutual withdrawal at the Paris peace talks; 2—Sufficient upgrading and modernization of South Vietnamese forces so they could accept more responsibility of the war; 3—That the level of activity on the part of the Viet Cong or the North Vietnamese is substantially reduced in the area of South Vietnam.

May 14, 1969—President Nixon outlines "concrete proposals" for peace in the Republic of Vietnam. He said, "in pursuing our limited objective, we insist on no rigid diplomatic formula. Peace could be achieved by a formal negotiated settlement. Peace could be achieved by an informal understanding, provided that the understanding is clear, and that there were adequate assurances that it would be observed. Peace on paper is not as important as peace in fact."

June 4, 1969—President Nixon at the Air Force Academy in Colorado stated, "we must take risks for peace—but calculated risks—not foolish risks. We shall not trade our defenses for a disarming smile or charming words. We are prepared for new initiatives in the control of arms in the context of other specific moves to reduce tensions around the world."

June 8, 1969—President Nixon announces the withdrawal of 25,000 troops from Vietnam after conferring with President Nguyen Van Thieu of the Republic of Vietnam at Midway Island.

June 10, 1969—President Nixon said the United States had "opened the door to peace" and invited leaders of North Vietnam "to walk with us through that door."

Sept. 16, 1969—President Nixon said he had decided to reduce the authorized troop ceiling in Vietnam to 484,000 by December 15, 1969. Under this newly authorized troop ceiling, a minimum of 60,000 troops will have been withdrawn from Vietnam by Dec. 15.

Hanoi, 25 August 1969
(Received in Paris August 30)

To His Excellency Richard Milhous Nixon
President of the United States
Washington.

Mr. President,

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter.

The war of aggression of the United States against our people, violating our fundamental national rights, still continues in South Vietnam. The United States continues to intensify military operations, the B-52 bombings and the use of toxic chemical products multiply the crimes against the Vietnamese people. The longer the war goes on, the more it accumulates the mourning and burdens of the American people. I am extremely indignant at the losses and destructions caused by the American troops to our people and country. I am also deeply touched at the rising toll of death of young Americans who have fallen in Vietnam by reason of the policy of American governing circles.

Our Vietnamese people are deeply devoted to peace, a real peace with independence and real freedom. They are determined to fight to the end, without fearing the sacrifices and difficulties in order to defend their country and their sacred national rights. The overall solution in 10 points of the National Liberation Front of South Vietnam and of the Provisional Revolutionary Government of the Republic of South Vietnam is a logical and reasonable basis for the settlement of the Vietnamese problem. It has earned the sympathy and support of the peoples of the world.

In your letter you have expressed the desire to act for a just peace. For this the United States must cease the war of aggression and withdraw their troops from South Vietnam, respect the right of the population of the South and of the Vietnamese nation to dispose of themselves, without foreign influence. This is the correct manner of solving the Vietnamese problem in conformity with the national rights of the Vietnamese people, the interests of the United States and the hopes for peace of the peoples of the world. This is the path that will allow the United States to get out of the war with honor.

With good will on both sides we might arrive at common efforts in view of finding a correct solution of the Vietnamese problem.

Sincerely,

HO CHI MINH

Sept. 25, 1969—Secretary of Defense Laird said "our redeployments so far have been based primarily on progress in the military aspects of the Vietnamization program. We hope that the momentum we have achieved so far in the military portions of Vietnamization will be coupled with additional progress on the other important fronts."

Oct. 7, 1969—Secretary Laird said the Vietnamization program had "put some aces in the Free World's poker hand," and that it meant for South Vietnam the building of a stronger economy, stronger internal security forces, a stronger government, and stronger military forces."

Oct. 9, 1969—Secretary Laird said he believed the best prospect for minimizing U.S. casualties and at the same time resolving the war as quickly as possible in Vietnam, without abandoning the basic U.S. objective, was through the Defense Department's Vietnamization program.

'For America's veterans . . . there has never been a 'popular' war . . . nor a cause for which they eagerly sought to die.'

NOT FOR FAME OR REWARD
NOT FOR PLACE OR FOR RANK
NOT LURED BY AMBITION
OR GOADED BY NECESSITY
BUT IN SIMPLE OBEDIENCE TO DUTY
AS THEY UNDERSTOOD IT
THESE MEN SUFFERED ALL
SACRIFICED ALL
DARED ALL
AND DIED

'The America they felt was worth fighting for is not a perfect America . . . But only a united America can win the peace for which we all yearn . . . and for which we should all pray.'

WHAT KIND OF A "NUT" IS HE?

- He wants to run his own business.
- He wants to select his own doctor.
- He wants to make his own bargains.
- He wants to buy his own insurance.
- He wants to select his own reading matter.
- He wants to provide for his own old age.
- He wants to make his own contracts.
- He wants to select his own charities.
- He wants to educate his own children as he wishes.
- He wants to make his own investments.
- He wants to select his own friends.
- He wants to provide his own recreation.
- He wants to compete freely in the market place.
- He wants to grow by his own efforts.
- He wants to profit from his own errors.
- He wants to compete with ideas.
- He wants to be a man of good will.

What kind of a nut is he? He's an American who understands and believes in the Declaration of Independence, that's what kind.

Aren't you glad you are too? And don't you wonder why so many of our fellow Americans are trying so hard to destroy the kind of life that has made us the aim and the envy of every other people on earth?

The question is: WHAT KIND OF NUTS ARE THEY?

By Mr. Bob Segal, Editor
Brownsville (Texas) Herald

A Yank Classic

June 30 Pay Call Brings More Dough
WASHINGTON — President Roosevelt has signed the bill raising the pay of privates and apprentice seamen to \$50 a month and granting increases for all grades of enlisted men. Pay and allowances for commissioned personnel also were boosted. The raise in pay dates from June 1; meaning that it will show up at the June 30 pay call.

—From YANK, The Army Weekly—July 1, 1942



NEW YEAR'S PARTY TICKETS AVAILABLE

A YANK Classic

July 22, 1942



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At least it is more effective than "LIFESAVERS"

WEATHERMEN PREPARE FOR ANNUAL

SANTA CLAUS LETTERS

Santa Claus' greatest helper -- the Air Force weathermen -- is making room for the annual avalanche of mail at Santa's house at the "North Pole."

Established 15 years ago by members of Detachment 5, 9th Weather Reconnaissance Wing, the program has attracted more than 103,000 letters from all parts of the world, chiefly from children of U. S. servicemen.

As in the success of any program for children, parents play a vital role in its success. Unfortunately, Santa's helpers report that some parents haven't been following instructions too carefully, resulting in some disappointed offspring.

Parents are asked to provide Santa's letter, sealed, self-addressed and with affixed airmail postage stamps. The letters should be placed in a larger envelope and mailed to Santa's Mail Bag, care of Det. 5, 9th Weather Reconnaissance Wing, APO Seattle 98737.

Near Eielson AFB is a post office, designated Santa Claus House, North Pole, Alaska. Volunteer weathermen act as mailmen to receive and remail all of Santa's letters, complete with the authentic postmark.

