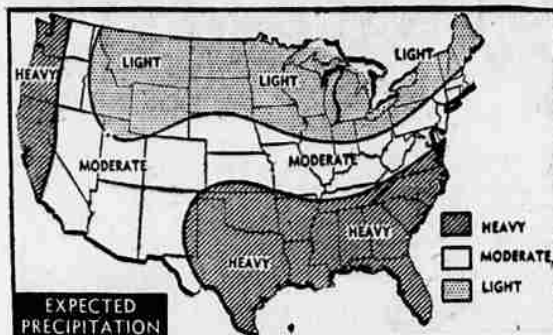




Local Air Reserve Program Explained

In connection with a current campaign to increase and consolidate membership in the local unit of the U. S. Air Force Reserve, Roseburg leaders have outlined some of the benefits to members.

Chief among the benefits, according to Lt. Col. Theodore H. Wirak, commander of the 9415th Squadron, are those of retirement pay, promotion and keeping in touch with training which might be invaluable to the reservist and his country.

A point system is used to help determine promotion and retirement credit for reservists. They receive points for attending unit meetings, for giving training lectures, for completing correspondence courses and for extra-duty work.

Points make up credit years for retirement and promotion. The reservist, of course, cannot accrue points unless he takes part in activities of a unit. A minimum of 35 points are required to make up a satisfactory year.

But, here is an example of what the creditable years can do, Col. Wirak points out: A captain with five years active and 15 years reserve duty can draw about \$83 retirement money per month. A master sergeant, to use one airman category, would receive about \$52 for the same service. Other factors, such as additional active duty time, could boost the figures.

There may be a time, the local officer added, when a monthly supplement to social security and other income would be very important to the individual.

As to promotion, a new congressional act provides the following minimum years service-in-grade for officers: Second lieutenant, three years; first lieutenant, two years; captain, four years; major, four years; lieutenant colonel, three years; colonel one year; brigadier general, one year.

Along with new regulations covering promotion is a provision to discharge reservists who are not participating in the reserve program or who have become unfit for further service.

During the local drive, which will last until May 21 (Armed Forces Day) Col. Wirak and Capt. J. M. Beardsley urge all county air reservists or veterans to check on their status and opportunities. Beardsley is commander of Flight A of the squadron, which has headquarters at 904 S. Stephens St., Roseburg.

A non-commissioned liaison officer, M. Sgt. L. R. Patterson, is on duty at the office most days from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The next meeting of Flight A will be April 20 at 8 p.m.

REFUGEES ARRIVE

PARIS (AP) — More than 750,000 refugees from Communist-dominated North Viet Nam have arrived in South Viet Nam since the end of the Indochina War, the French News Agency reported Thursday from Saigon.

EAGLES ARE MENACE

ISLE OF OLAND, Sweden (AP) — Parents on this Baltic island dare not let their children go out alone for fear they will be attacked by fierce eagles. The giant birds are terrorizing people and killing both wild game and livestock.

8 KOREANS KILLED

PUSAN, Korea (AP) — Eight Koreans were killed and 15 injured Wednesday night when a truck in which they were riding slipped its brakes and plunged over a 15-foot cliff.

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Reckless Driving Charge Lands 18-Year-Old In Jail

An 18-year-old Myrtle Creek youth, Garry Lee Keys, was fined \$50 and given a 10-day jail term Monday when he pleaded guilty to reckless driving. He also pleaded guilty to a charge of driving with no operator's license, and Dist. Judge Warren A. Woodruff took the matter under advisement. Keys was arrested Sunday by state police.

Royce Harvey Hawthorne, 19, Winston, was fined \$50 on a reckless driving count after being found guilty by the judge in a district court trial Monday. Hawthorne was arrested Friday on a state police warrant. He pleaded innocent when first arraigned.

SPECIAL BOARD MEETING

A special meeting of the Douglas County Red Cross Board has been called for Thursday at 5 p.m. The meeting will be held in the county chapter headquarters in the Roseburg Armory.

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EXPERT — Jane Chandler, handwriting expert for the state, is portrayed by Elaine Mahugh in the forthcoming production of "Night of January 16th." The play, a courtroom trial, will be presented by the Thalia Community Players April 15 and 16 at 8 p.m. in the Central Junior High School auditorium. (Dave Kesner photo)



WIZARD — Frank Krasne, 17, a San Francisco high school student, works at control of electronic computer he built which he calls a "logic machine." It does simpler "electronic brain" tasks and can find conflicts in complex logic problems.



FLYING SAUCER?—PALO ALTO, Calif. — Hiller Helicopters' test pilot Phil A. Johnston makes a free flight in Palo Alto, Calif., in a new Navy experimental one-man helicopter "Flying Platform," which looks something like a saucer. A fan inside the ring gives lift to get the craft into the air and the pilot's shifting of his weight directs horizontal flight. (U.S. NAVY PHOTO via AP WIREPHOTO)

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