

Know Your AIR FORCE

A career in the U.S. Air Force, whether for only one enlistment or as a lifetime job, usually follows a pattern of overseas service.



Airman First Class WILLIAM J. RODRIGUEZ

ice with periods of duty at state-side air bases.

P.T.A.

ROOSEVELT
A skill, "If Men Played Cards As Women Do" was presented at the March 20 meeting of the Roosevelt P.T.A. in the east were Dr. Harry J. Fredricks, Dr. James Noel, Major O. D. Whitten and Melvin B. Miller.

The Roosevelt band, directed by Stephen Stone and the city elementary strings and woodwind ensemble, played by Kristian Gippo, directed several numbers.

The fifth grade students presented several folk dances.

Refreshments were served.

GILCHRIST

By Hope N. Brader

The regular meeting of the Gilchrist P.T.A. met in the library of the high school at 7:30 on March 20 with Charles Shotts, president, presiding.

Minutes of the previous month showed that the group had sponsored a wrestling match, a box social, and a donkey ball game for money making activities with excellent financial success.

For the coming month the calendar will include an amateur night on March 23 and an achievement day for April 27.

Mrs. Olin Shelton reported for the nominating committee the following slate of officers for 1956-57: Charles Shotts, president; George Bell, vice president; Mrs. John Anding, secretary; and A. Koski, treasurer. These were accepted unanimously and will be installed in April.

Mrs. and Mrs. Shotts were selected to represent the P.T.A. at the state convention to be held April 17, 18, and 19 in Eugene.

Room count gave the attendance flags to the second and third combination room of Mrs. Cressa Grubb and the tenth grade with Miss Dorothy Houston as room teacher.

Program for the evening was put on by the Wetomachich Camp Fire Group with Mrs. Jim Ayers as leader. This group is sponsored by the P.T.A. This was their way of honoring their sponsors by putting on a council meeting with five groups of Blue Bird and Camp Fire Girls and their leaders. The entire council was dedicated to the P.T.A.

The Wetomachich girls served delicious cookies and coffee to the group in the school cafeteria.

FAIRVIEW

By Mrs. Earle Klawitter

Carol Howe, Klamath County school superintendent, spoke to the Fairview P.T.A. on March 22 on "Good Schools Are Your Responsibility."

Officers elected included Mrs. Lawrence Weinberg, president; vice president, Mrs. Earle Klawitter; secretary, Mrs. George Demetras; treasurer, Mrs. Marlo Pisan.

The flag salute that opened the meeting was led by Karen Hoyt and Howard Austin of the third grade. The Fairview orchestra, directed by Kristian Gippo, presented several numbers. Room count was won by Mrs. Stout's third grade. Sam Redkey's fifth grade won the membership drive. The special prize was won by Mrs. Ruby Uglum.

Refreshments were served by the third grade mothers with Mrs. George Chamberlain and Mrs. D. L. Hoyt in charge.

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Airport, is following this general pattern:

Airman Rodriguez enlisted in the Air Force from his home town of San Francisco in November, 1952 after graduating from Sacred Heart High School in that city. He had worked as a boiler-maker for some time prior to his enlistment.

The San Francisco airman's overseas tour followed the path that many servicemen have followed since the Korean War began in the summer of 1950. He was assigned as a supply specialist in May, 1953, to a fighter-interceptor squadron which was operating against the North Korean and Chinese communist forces from U.S. Air Force Base K-13 located at Suwon, South Korea.

A year's duty at this operational air base in South Korea fulfilled Airman Rodriguez' overseas obligation and he was reassigned to Hamilton Air Force Base, California in April, 1954. Assignment to the Klamath Falls base followed this duty in October, 1955.

Airman Rodriguez, who attended the Air Force supply technician's school at Francis E. Warren Air Force Base at Cheyenne, Wyoming, is helping organize the important supply section at the local air base under the direction of Major Connally Munner, base supply officer.

"Although I intend to leave the Air Force when my enlistment is up in November, 1956, I can recommend this branch of the service to any young man who is contemplating fulfilling his service obligation by joining the Air Force," Airman Rodriguez said. He intends to become associated with an import-export firm in San Francisco upon his return to civilian life.

Airman Rodriguez resides at 302 Commercial Street with his wife Irene.

Anti-Stalin Line Studied

WASHINGTON (AP)—A high State Department official said Saturday that sensational Russian attacks on the late Joseph Stalin's one-man rule may have been designed to make it difficult for any Soviet leader to rise above "the ruling clique."

Deputy Undersecretary of State Robert Murphy gave the first detailed official comment here on the repudiation of Stalin in a speech prepared for a luncheon meeting of the George Washington University alumni.

He said the current "rewriting of history" in Russia is a "startling example" of the one-sidedness of Soviet education which produces acceptance of opinions handed down from the government "without question and without understanding."

While the Soviet leadership is now emphasizing collective rule, Murphy asserted that "it may be significant" that the party machinery apparently has been reorganized to include more people with ties to Nikita Khrushchev, the Communist party boss.

He implied that the State Department is watching this development closely to determine whether Khrushchev, despite his denunciation of Stalin and of one-man rule, is moving to grab ultimate power for himself.

Murphy said the State Department still lacks "factual information" on the reported denunciation of Stalin at last month's Communist party Congress in Moscow.

News reports from Europe and unofficial information received by the State Department say that Khrushchev called Stalin a murderer and a blunderer in the course of a lengthy speech not yet made public.

REASON

DES MOINES, Iowa (UP)—The Iowa Attorney General's office told George Pettengill, 20, Thursday that he could not run for the Iowa Legislature because he won't be 21 years old before the closing date for filing his candidacy.

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Astronomer Relates Theory About Dust Covering Mars

By ALTON L. BLAKESLEE Associated Press Science Reporter COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP)—Peculiar clouds on the face of Mars could be vast billowings of volcanic dust and steam, a Michigan astronomer said today.

If so, the clouds are added evidence for a theory that Mars is riddled by volcanoes. Wind-blown deposits of volcanic ash could cause some of Mars' strange markings, including perhaps some "canals."

By this theory, Mars might still be in early stages of changes such as the earth experienced before life appeared on this planet.

The volcanic theory is advanced by Dr. Dean B. McLaughlin of the University of Michigan. He has proposed that some dark areas—sometimes thought to be vegetation—could be drifts of volcanic ash. Some so-called canals might be pathways of fallen ash, and others might be cracks or faults on Mars' face.

The Earth's oceans are perhaps due to water brought up from its interior by volcanoes. Mars might be in the same process now, with oceans yet to come to spawn life.

Today Dr. McLaughlin told the American Astronomical Society that some observations of Martian clouds are at least consistent with the theory of volcanic activity.

From a check of various astronomers' sightings of clouds, he said that clouds have been observed intermittently for the last 35 years over one particular area.

These clouds therefore seem associated with some mechanism at a fixed spot on the face of Mars. On earth, clouds often rise regularly along mountain chains, but Mars has no large mountain ranges, Dr. McLaughlin said. And apparently there is not much water vapor on Mars to form ordinary clouds.

Within past decades, the shape of some of the dark-colored areas near cloud spots has changed, he added. The way they have changed, with some lines fanning

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New York Orchestra Chief Refutes Communism Blast

WASHINGTON (AP)—The head of a New York symphony orchestra says there is "no basis in fact" to allegations of communism against some of its members.

These charges caused the State Department to cancel a projected new good-will tour by the concert group, which it sent to Asia last year.

David Walter, chairman of the board of the Symphony of the Air, suggested "there may have been one or two disgruntled people who were peeved and set this thing in motion."

Walter made this comment in the situation last night in publication by the House Appropriations Committee of secret testimony it took last week.

Robinson McVaine, deputy assistant secretary of state for public affairs, testified the FBI had uncovered derogatory information on about 30 persons in the 100-member orchestra.

This musical group, now playing on a freelance basis, formerly was under leadership of Maestro Arturo Toscanini and was heard on the National Broadcasting Co. network.

The committee hearing record did not list by name any of the persons whose conduct or background was questioned. Committee aides said only nine of the 30 suspect persons were on a similar orchestra trip last year under the state department's cultural relations program aimed at countering Red propaganda.

McVaine—who said the orchestra's government-financed swing through the Orient last summer was a "great success"—told the congressmen "something happened to this orchestra on its return" from the six-week tour.

He said that after a "troupe check" of the new management it was clear that we did not have the kind of leadership that could be counted on to be good representatives abroad.

Following the FBI report, he said, "we canceled the project" which called for another trip by the orchestra this fall. The last one cost the government \$27,000, testimony showed.

Rep. Rooney (D-N.Y.), an appropriations committee member, said it was he who sent derogatory information about some members of the orchestra to State Department security officers last Jan. 18.

In the resulting FBI investigation, the committee was told, FBI agents were informed a "Jetset group" had taken control of the orchestra after its return from the Far East. The investigators also head that one official on the management side of the orchestra was a victim Communist who loathed anything American.

Rooney put into the committee record—these by unnamed informants who made and other allegations to the FBI the last tour.

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