

KONTAKT Meeting at mixer leads to matrimony for couple

by Norman G. Ham

I'm sure that you have heard of Project KONTAKT at one time or another during your stay in Berlin, but have you ever taken the time to check it out and really see what's happening?

The overall goal of the KONTAKT program is to give Germans and Americans the chance to meet and share each other's interests. The program is open to anyone who would like to participate and scheduled events range anywhere from coin collecting to moonlight cruises. You don't have to be a sailor to be interested in moonlight cruises.

Alive and well!

Project KONTAKT is alive and doing well! You don't have to take my word for it. Just go to the 4th Battalion, 6th Infantry's commo shop and ask Sergeant Andrew G. Morris, the battalion commo chief, to tell you about his experiences with Project KONTAKT.

Sergeant Morris heard of Project KONTAKT and last October he decided to go to a mixer they were having at the Starlight Grove Club.

Morris was sitting alone at the mixer when he noticed a pretty German girl having some difficulty paying for her drinks in Deutsche Marks. Seeing his chance, Morris

went forward and offered his assistance by paying for the drinks.

The lady, Evelyn Monika Hennicke, then asked Morris if he would please sit with her for the remainder of the evening.

Meets her parents

After going to several other KONTAKT events together, Evelyn took Sergeant Morris home to meet her parents.

Evidently her parents approved of the American soldier, because they were married June 16, 1973, at McNair Chapel, eight months after their first meeting at the KONTAKT mixer.

Richard M. Basso, the Vanguard commo officer, was the best man and his wife Irene was the maid of honor. The entire commo section of 4/6 attended the wedding ceremony and the reception which was held at the Morris apartment.

The couple traveled to Morgantown, West Virginia, on their honeymoon, where Evelyn met her new in-laws and saw the states for the first time. Before returning to Berlin, they toured the East coast of the United States.

So you can see that Project KONTAKT is capable of opening a few doors, if only you're willing to try the handle.



SGT and Mrs. Andrew G. Morris

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OBSERVER THOUGHT

When a man gets too old to set a bad example, he begins giving good advice.

—anon

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'Aim at the sun...'

"AIM AT THE SUN, and you may not reach it; but your arrow will fly higher than if aimed at an object level with yourself," wrote Joel Hawes. This shot of a summer sunset with beams of light radiating seems to inspire this idea — that one can never reach goals higher than one's deepest aspirations and dreams.

(Photo by Vincent A. Drosdik, III)

AF fathers bridge the gap

Open any paper, or switch on any TV or radio and you will hear about the generation gap existing between the somewhat adventurous and inquisitive offsprings and their somewhat mellow and principle-staunch parents.

It almost seems that someone who does not feel misunderstood or makes others feel that way just does not fit into our society. You are made to believe that to have a problem or to create one for others is the criterion of the modern way of living. How sad, if this really was true! And thank heaven, it isn't!

Last week several Berlin Air Force fathers found this modern mode worth challenging. They went out and successfully proved that the interests of their young ones can be fully appreciated by the elders and vice versa.

A few months ago, AYA teenagers had expressed hopes to their parents for a stereo system to be installed in their teen room. Their request did not only meet with parental understanding, but also found encouragement, advice and financial support to get the project going.

AYA vice president and teen youth advisor, SM-Sgt. Walter Bouchard, went to the top; the Audio Club and CBF Council and after the trinity had pledged their united support, it was the problem of installing which had to be tackled next.

In stepped Air Force NCOs and fathers of teens, MSgt. Larry Trautner, SSgt. Seader, 7350th CE Carpenter Shop; MSgt. Bill Howard and TSgt. Paul

Simien, 1946th Communications Sq., who busied themselves with the building of stereo shelves, cabinets, drilling holes, stringing wires, hammering, painting and gluing — all among the growing amazement and admiration of their teen sons and daughters.

Then, after a few weeks of time consuming work and many sacrificed golf hours, the project was completed. On August 10, Berlin Community Leader, B.G. Robert Stevenson; Deputy Berlin Community Leader, Col. Gail S. Halvorsen; members of the Army Special Services Division along with AYA staff and teens celebrated the inauguration of the new stereo section of the AYA Teen Room.

Stevenson expressed his appreciation to the Air Force NCO fathers whose endeavours helped provide an enjoyable facility for the youngsters of the American Community — and for setting an example of teenager/parent relationship worth emulating.

Thus Air Force fathers proved that the generation gap is largely an invention of our news media, no more than the old problem of children placing trust in their parents and parents showing interest and understanding for their youngsters' desires.

Maybe if more people, young and old ones, were appreciating the principle of needing and being needed, the papers could save that black ink for their real life dramatic headlines.

The AYA premises will be closed August 31 until September 3 due to renovations inside and outside the building.

TAT prepares drama entry for Air Force play contest

by Richard Kramer

The Tempelhof American Theatre has begun the process of preparing its entry in the USAFE Play Contest. The planning session on August 19 laid the ground-work for the effort, and TAT has scheduled a series of open auditions at 7 p.m. in the D-2 Conference Room at TCA's Sky-riders Recreation Center on August 31 and September 1 and 2.

TAT has selected Michael Vincente Gazzo's *A Hatful of Rain* as its entry in the competition to be held in November or December in West Germany. *A Hatful of Rain* is the 1956 story of Johnny Pope Jr., a Korean War veteran who has returned home to the Lower East Side of New York City as a drug addict, the result of an injury and a stay in an Army hospital.

Savings gone

The drama of the story involves Johnny's younger brother Polo, who, while trying to get Johnny off dope,

has spent their joint savings to support his habit; and Johnny's pregnant wife Celia, who does not know of her husband's addiction.

The boys' father comes to New York to borrow the savings to complete a Florida night club he is building. Not knowing of Johnny's problem, he thinks Polo is holding out on him. To make matters worse, Johnny is being pressured by his supplier (a pusher known as "Mother") and by "Mother's" friends, Apples and Chuch, for the \$800 he owes them.

Falling in love

Celia and Polo, both of whom live with Johnny in a cramped walk-up, have been together alone a lot of the time that Johnny was prowling the streets. They have started to fall in love with one another. Though they feel guilty over their feelings, Celia, who thinks she has found the Johnny she married in his younger brother, will not let Polo move out. Not understanding the changes in Johnny's behavior or why he cannot hold a job, she puts some of the blame on Polo.

Though the play deals with an unpleasant topic, it is far from morbid, and even ends on a note of hope. It was considered one of the 1956-season's best plays, and was Gazzo's first major work. It was made into a successful motion picture and a television drama (shown recently on AFN-TV, Berlin). It is a contemporary drama dealing with a contemporary problem with tenderness and sensitivity.

Good staff needed

At the August 31 and September 1 and 2 audition sessions, director Bruce Limpus will select a cast of seven men and two women. In the following weeks, the production staff will be selected and organized.

Because of the problems inherent in a travelling show, this effort will be tautly organized, and Limpus will hand-pick the best staff possible. TAT will need light and sound technicians, costume and make-up artists and set designers and builders.

Further information can be obtained from Limpus at 801-3945; TAT's secretary, Maureen Hickey, at 73-8661; or TAT's publicity director, Rick Kramer, at military 6746.

MONEY — The devaluation has hit hard at the budgets of military servicemen stationed in Europe, especially at families living on the German economy. Senior co-editor Vince Drosdik attended a recent Economy Couples Advisory Council meeting, and collected a lot of suggestions on money management. Page 3 is devoted entirely to this timely subject.

What's inside

RAPPELING — Our correspondent at the 3rd Battalion, 6th Infantry, Ralph Callaway, has filed another lengthy report on the activities of the battalion during their recent training stint at Grafenwöhr. See his report on page 4.

CINEMA — Have you ever wondered which type of movie draws the biggest crowds to the local military theaters? Reporter Mike McCollum did some research into this subject and presents his findings on page 5.

editorial

Let's clean up our litter!

There has been significant discussion in recent years about ecology, about air and water pollution, and about the general deterioration of our environment.

Most of our pollution problems are the unwanted but often unavoidable by-products of man's never-ending effort to make his physical situation more comfortable. Yet a great deal of the filth that lies around us can be attributed only to individual carelessness.

Americans stationed in Berlin are not without guilt when it comes to environmental pollution. In American housing areas, at the Shopping Center, around the commissary, and in other common areas, there is ample evidence that Americans, both military and civilian, have gotten careless about the appearance of their facilities.

In our housing areas, one can find refuse lying on lawns that should have been mowed long ago. Stairwell windows need cleaning. American motorists carelessly toss aside lighted cigarette butts at EES gasoline stations. The areas in and around the PX and commissary are littered with discarded newspapers, cigarette butts, soft drink cans and paper cups. People don't seem to notice the many convenient trash cans which sit nearby.



To point a finger at the senior resident of one's apartment building is not enough. The carelessness of a senior resident could easily be offset by the strong desire on the part of the occupants of the building to keep their areas clean and attractive.

The poor way in which we Americans maintain our facilities says something to our German hosts about us. Furthermore, littering indicates complacency, apathy, and a lack of pride in ourselves, in the country we represent, and in the mission we have undertaken. In our carelessness, we have let ourselves become far less than we can be.

We can all do our share to remedy this situation. It takes only a moment to stop to pick up a scrap of paper or a can that has been tossed carelessly aside. It takes only a little effort and time to clean our living quarters, our housing areas, and our barracks. We can each walk just a few more steps and place our trash into the containers provided for it.

If each of us will contribute toward this effort, the reward will be increased pride in ourselves as Americans and as individuals. Let's all work together, and let's begin now!

—LCH

letters

Writer has fond memories of Berlin

In a letter-to-the-editor last month (July 6, 1973 issue), Ralph Callaway wrote of how many soldiers complain of their predicament (being stationed) in Berlin. It is probably true

that many return to the United States with only wallet-size visions of the great Divided City. This is sad.

Fortunately for me, such was not the case at all. From June 1968 until

August 1971, I lived in Berlin and treasured every minute of it. The Army was not my job nor my life, but an education and graduation from Berlin American High School did occupy much of my time.

It angers me to hear tales of people complaining of such an ideal location in a fascinating and foreign land. When I reflect now (and often do) on the adventures and advantages found in Berlin, it sends goose bumps up and down my arms and into this typewriter. Since returning to the U.S. and to college at the University of Missouri, there is much I miss.

There were subway rides on chilly, gray Saturday mornings to the British Naffi;

There were brilliantly-colored trees lining the U-Bahn near Foodland in the fall;

There was a tremendous feeling of spirit at the former Berlin Bear football games at McNair;

There was stuffy air in the photo lab at Andrews Barracks that led me toward a college study of photojournalism;

There were shopping trips to Steglitz, and bouncy bus rides out to the Wannsee;

There was an exciting atmosphere and good wine at the fantastic Italian restaurant near Breitenbachplatz;

There was a feeling of fun in buying big pretzels and strolling down the Ku-damm;

There was fluffy snow falling in the duck pond near the officers' quarters, strange German sleds in the parks, and a moving candlelight service on Christmas Eve;

And now, two years since I left Berlin in the summer of '71, there are tears in my eyes.

John G. Freeman
Kansas City, Missouri

Write to us

Have you got something you'd like to get off your chest but don't know how to do it? Write a letter to the editors of The Berlin Observer. The Observer welcomes letters from its readers. Simply follow a few simple guidelines. Letters should be typed, double- or triple-spaced, and written on only one side of a sheet of paper. Letters must bear the writer's signature, typed name and unit address, and duty telephone number. The editors reserve the right to edit or reject any letters submitted for publication.

USAREUR commander cites dangers of fire

WORMS, Germany — Barracks fires are becoming a source of great concern in U.S. Army Europe (USAREUR). One of the most recent fires occurred in a bachelor enlisted men's quarters in Coleman Barracks, Mannheim, and resulted in the deaths of two noncommissioned officers.

General Michael S. Davison, commander in chief of USAREUR, commented on the dangers of barracks fire and the need for positive actions in a recent message to his command.

Davison's message stated, in part, that "recent fire inspections have found safety violations throughout the command."

While measures to increase barracks security have been taken, the measures themselves have created extreme hazards to the building occupants," Davison said.

He added, "I do not condone practices intended to enhance barracks security which in fact substitute the threat of multiple deaths or injuries from fire. Charge of quarters, duty NCO's duty officers and guards, if necessary, can be used effectively to increase security in barracks. Security measures must not violate fire and safety regulations or prevent

rapid evacuation of personnel in case of fire."

Commanders and fire prevention personnel throughout TASCOM and Engineer Command have increased fire prevention information programs to insure that each man knows what to do in case of fire.

"Educating people to do things such as shutting doors and windows during a fire is hard," explained First Lieutenant Robert L. TASCOM's Fire Prevention Specialist.

"The biggest problem is panic. It probably always will be. But a small thing such as closing a window or door can slow down a fire enough so that it can be contained until the fighting personnel to arrive on the scene. This will reduce the amount of property damage and also possibly save a life."

He added that, "one would be surprised at how many doors throughout the command had chains and padlocks on them before we started our campaign. Chains and padlocks not only keep thieves out of the racks but firefighting personnel well. If they can't get to the door they can't put it out."

Spain, U.S. have shaped culture of Puerto Rico

by Pablo Rios

There are important dates in the history of every country, dates that have been the basis for further developments, changes and attitudes of their people.

Large countries, small countries. Free countries, captive countries. In the category of small and free, there's Puerto Rico, a tiny island in the middle of the Caribbean Sea in which

U.S. Army entered the island through the Bay of Guanica marking the first official contact between U.S. and the islanders.

Sometime later, the island became part of the U.S. by means of the Treaty of Paris. For two long years the island was a protectorate run by a military government.

By 1900 the military government was changed for a civilian one. Colonialism is the word. Islanders called the "Puerto Rican citizenship" they were only and exactly Puerto Ricans (or what we call today "PRICUAS" — from the Indian word Boriquen, meaning Puerto Rican soul, life and heart).

The change came in 1916 when American citizenship was granted Puerto Ricans. There was a long hard period from this date and the date of the next change. In 1947 first movements towards self-government were made that culminated with the election of the first native governor in 1948.

In March 1952 Law #600 cleared the way so that the islanders would have the right to deal with the problems and the situation in the country. An amendment to that made possible the creation of Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, which was officially instituted on July 25, 1952.

But what about the flag? Yes, Puerto Rico was a country without a flag. At the same ceremony on July 25, 1952, the Puerto Rican flag started waving toward the green mountains and the blue skies (after years of Spanish domination and 54 years after the American came to our beaches) with the message of more dignity and freedom.



the cultural waves due to big changes have been the greater factor in its formation.

In the year of 1897 (month of November) the Spanish government granted the island some kind of freedom to deal with its own problems. It was not freedom in the whole extension of the word, but at least freedom.

In the first months of 1898 the Spanish-American War was in the life of every person in the area. On one of those days, July 25, 1898, the

News Notes

Worms, Germany — Eligible student dependents are now entitled to full-time USAREUR commissary privileges if their sponsors are stationed in a host country covered by the NATO Status of Forces agreement and they are attending school in the same host country.

This Defense Department rules change was announced by the U.S. Theater Army Support Command Europe (TASCOM).

A TASCOM spokesman explained that college students residing away from the household of the sponsor were previously limited to using the commissary for periods of 30 to 90 days only while home between terms.

He added that, under the revised DoD criteria, residing in the same household as the sponsor will no longer be a determining factor, and they will retain eligibility as commissary agents as long as they continue to qualify for the basic privilege.

HEIDELBERG — An American driver who has an accident should follow instructions of the German police and not insist on waiting for the Military Police, a USAREUR

Provost Marshal spokesman said. According to the spokesman, Americans involved in traffic accidents sometimes insist on awaiting the arrival of the Military Police before clearing the scene of the accident and thus create a traffic hazard.

He said that drivers of military vehicles are also obliged to obey German police.

HEIDELBERG — Effective August 1, only the October 1, 1972 edition of the Application for Motor Vehicle Registration (AE Form 1580) will be accepted by the USAREUR Registry of Motor Vehicles. Previous editions of this form will no longer be valid.

The new form requires more information, for example, the owner's telephone number. With the registry people will not have to back an application because a small item is incorrect. They will call the applicant and correct it.

The form also asks for more information about the car, such as whether it has air conditioning. Such information in the registry computer and available to EES needs can be determined more effectively.

LIBRARY NOTES

NAACP

Quite a few people have asked me about the forming of the Stuttgart chapter of the NAACP because I was stationed there at the time, and very much involved in it. I'm taking this means, if you'll forgive a digression from library notes for just one column, to tell just a little about it.

The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, so named because it includes all ethnic groups, actually has three chapters in Germany. The one in Stuttgart, of which I am a member, started organization in 1972, and the charter members included all ranks and all colors.

Our first effort was the celebration of Negro History and Culture Week, which included art and sculpture shows, drama and the personal appearances of Chester Himes and James Baldwin.

The NAACP moves very slowly and pacifically in some ways, but over the years it has developed an amazing record of gaining and consolidating ground in the battle against prejudice. There is a book — *Fight for Freedom* by Langston Hughes — which is an excellent history of the organization. Also for those who are interested, I have a copy of the by-laws of the Stuttgart Chapter.

Like I always say — when you need to know, read to know. Keep reading — and have a good week!

— Miriam Steward

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MONEY *Where to go about money problems, debts, emergencies—and how to avoid them*

Protect your insurance policy

Most Americans are careful to protect their families with some form of life insurance. Many of them, however, are not so cautious about taking care of their policies.

Hard to believe? Well, last year over 350,000 lost, stolen or mutilated policies were replaced, according to estimates of the Institute of Life Insurance.

While one policy was reported consumed by rats, many are destroyed by fires in homes and apartments. Some are ruined by water in flooded basements.

Many are stolen

Although a policy is of no value to a thief, many are stolen during the year. Often a policy is among other stolen papers that are lifted from cars, briefcases or are part of possessions that the robber takes.

But probably most often, they are lost by policyholders themselves. Some people inadvertently throw out their contracts during house or office cleaning or when they move to a new home or office.

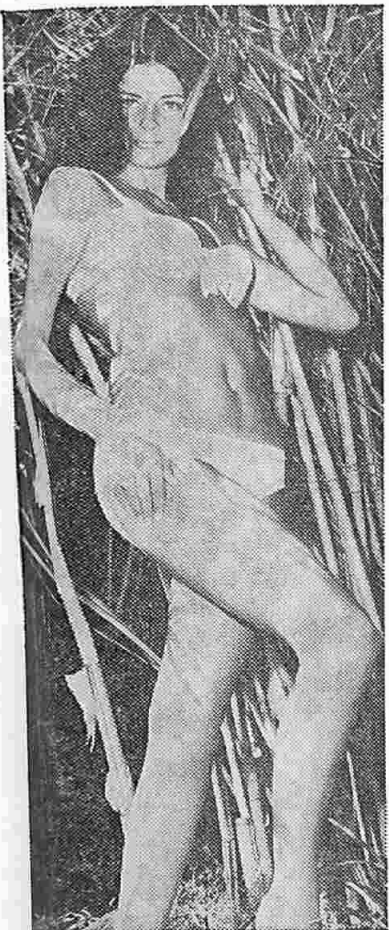
Insurance companies generally replace lost policies without charge, even though this service costs the life insurance business several million dollars a year. But getting a policy replaced may involve some inconvenience and delay to the policyholder, perhaps at the time when he needs it quickly.

To reduce the risk of loss, the policyholder should:

- Keep all insurance policies in a safe place.
- Keep a separate record of all policies.
- Let beneficiaries know where the policies and records are kept.

A small, watertight, fire-resistant metal file box is useful for storing life insurance policies. It's not necessary to keep them in a safe deposit box, since beneficiaries would likely have to get permission from the tax authorities to open the box after the policyholder's death. This could delay payment of the insurance.

—AFPS



THE ONLY LUSH that Nancy Serette appreciates is the lush tropical setting of Sunken Gardens, Fla. near St. Petersburg where she models. If you're not a tropical jungle, and your friends call you by that cute nickname, it's time to take a serious look at your drinking.

by Vincent A. Drosdik, III

You are down to your last few cents and have three days to go before payday. The wife and you are on bad terms with finance in such bad shape. You're over your head in debt and getting deeper. The dollar isn't helping you any, going down by 25% in the last year relative to the mark. Prices are higher. Taxes are higher. Care to list a few more money worries?

Some of these problems are beyond your immediate ability to deal with—inflation, devaluation, higher taxes are all basically government-caused phenomena. But those other maladies—debt, overspending, no budget—are definitely within your power to overcome.

Recently the Economy Couples Advisory Council sponsored a Money Management and Budgeting Session to assist young families, particularly non-command sponsored ones of privates and E-4s, to cope with the problems mentioned above.

Representatives from Army Emergency Relief, Staff Judge Advocate, and Lackland Credit Union were there to discuss their areas and answer questions.

Army Emergency Relief

First Lieutenant Ken Rodgers of Army Emergency Relief (AER) discussed his organization's purpose and modus operandi. AER makes loans and grants to individuals in the Army to meet emergency situations, such as for payment of initial rent or of a rent to avoid eviction; non-receipt of pay or allotments; an emergency trip back to the States; and others.

Few grants are ever given, and then only in the rare cases of an inability to ever repay and in the direst of circumstances.

The loans are interest-free, with no embarrassing questions asked. Payment is arranged to be made by allotment, spread over, if you like, the rest of your tour. Loans can be made on top of loans if necessary.

Loans and grants may only be made to service members (including retired); spouses must have the approval of the service member before getting a loan or grant.

For more information, contact Rogers at 6604/6513. If after hours, call the EOC at 6531. His office is located in Room 1014, Building 1, Headquarters Compound.

Rogers handles the Value Added Tax (VAT) refunds on large purchases. This tax of 11% can be refunded to U. S. Forces one year after the final payment is made. Check with him at AG.

Rogers also is a life insurance expert and handles letters of indebtedness. So in an emergency, 1LT Rogers is the man to see.

The man from SJA

Captain Carl F. Meyer Jr. is a man you could talk with for hours and hours about debt, contracts, wills, and a bundle of other money matters. Maybe you think you'd get bored by such discussion, but when you get into it, it becomes very interesting and relevant.

First, there's the matter of debts and commitments made before one entered the service. These are covered by the Soldiers and Sailors Civil Relief Act. In short, you can't automatically lose your possessions because you are unable to pay a debt after entering the Army.

The Act stipulates that there may be no foreclosure without court action. One's income must have been diminished because of entering the service. If, however, your income remained the same or increased since entering the Army, you are liable to pay those debts.

You can't avoid debts by entering the service. If the court decides that's what you did, too bad. Reenlistment won't help you avoid those debts, either.

A court can determine one of three courses of action regarding debts incurred before entering the service if a member is being threatened with foreclosure: a. suspension of the debt until after the service; b. only the interest on the debt, or a small portion of the principal, shall be paid; or c. pay up, there's no hardship involved.

Caution: you can waive your rights by refinancing or a new contract after you entered the service.

Contracts

Always read thoroughly and understand any contract before you sign it. This is the cardinal rule about contracts. If you have difficulty under-

standing a contract, especially a German one, SJA will gladly help, free of charge.

Wills

Making a will is very important if you have a family, or even if you don't. Basically, a will is a contract between you and your heirs, a means to minimize what the government will take in taxes on your estate. It designates who will be the guardian of your children and where your personal property will go.

SJA will help you make yours out, free of charge, in about 20 minutes time.

Bankruptcy

If you're really over your head in debts, you might be thinking of bankruptcy as an out. Well, it's not the easy out you might think it is.

Bankruptcy will take not care of debts incurred within the last year before declaration of it. The court will take possession of most of your belongings (except for personal effects, home and sometimes your car if it's paid for) to distribute among debtors. Your situation will be published to the world. Your credit rating will drop, you will become of high risk and be required to make a large downpayment on purchases. You will not be able to go bankrupt again for about seven years.

Borrowing money

Meyer has a few suggestions on borrowing money and payment of debts. Shop around for the lowest-priced loan. Consider taking out a short-term note from the bank; you will be able to pay back as much as you want when you want for less interest.

When making payments with a coupon book, don't be limited by the amount shown on the coupon. If you want to pay more, do so, crossing out the amount shown and writing in what you want to pay. When you have paid the amount off, you can have saved money on service charges and interest.

Another money-saving hint—when you open a savings account for a child, get him a social security number in order to save yourself taxes.

Budget

Concluding the session was Captain John Robinson of the hospital discussing having a family budget.

Robinson stated that most money problems can be avoided by 1. common sense; 2. advance planning (thinking ahead); and 3. maintaining a budget (or spending plan, if that sounds better).

The July issue of *Army in Europe* magazine, numerous books in the Special Services libraries, and several government publications are available to help you set up your spending plan and make the most of your monthly income.

The first category of spending items is fixed costs: rent, food, telephone, utilities, etc. The second category includes debts: loans, installment payments, etc. The final category is miscellaneous items, such as clothes, personal spending, recreation, savings, etc.

The importance of these miscellaneous items can't be overemphasized. Regular savings of even small amounts can mount up over a period to provide a fund to draw on in emergencies, to provide a bit of psychological security. Recreation is vital to have a sum set aside for vacations and weekends without having to use money that would otherwise be spent on necessities.

And perhaps the most important psychologically are the small sums for personal spending. How many husband-wife arguments are caused by one accusing the other of squandering some money on "worthless" things such as gambling or trinkets? This spending, a personal allowance, actually, lets each spouse do whatever he or she wants to with it without having to tell the other or worry about needed money being wasted.

A budget isn't a bad idea for single people, either. A checking account is a handy way to keep track of expenditures and maintain that budget.

We hope to have more stories in future issues of *The Berlin Observer* on ways to save money and improve your budget.

CREDIT



Today almost every family or individual has a need to borrow cash occasionally.

It is not necessarily bad money management to decide to borrow at an appropriate time from a reputable lender of cash.

The all-important consideration is, of course, the "reputable lender of cash."

Your credit union is one of the most reputable lenders.

As a matter of fact, a Department of Defense directive (1000.10, "Credit Unions Serving DoD Personnel") endorses both you and your credit union when it comes to getting together for cash loans.

The directive states that credit unions on military installations or operated under the sponsorship of a military agency will be as liberal as possible in serving military members, particularly members in pay grades E-1, E-2, and E-3 who apply for loans for worthwhile purposes. Counseling services are included in the special attention given to assisting, particularly, this group.

Credit unions are formed by persons of similar interests who band together to save their money and to obtain loans at reasonable rates of interest. All credit unions formed or operated to serve members of the Armed Forces or DoD civilian employees must meet either Federal or state standards of operation.

The highest rate of interest this type of credit union can charge by law is 1 per cent per month on the unpaid balance (an annual rate of 12 per cent).

However, because they deal only with shareholders and offer a variety of kinds of loans, most credit unions can loan money at annual interest rates significantly lower

than this legal maximum and very competitive with bank rates for the same type of loans.

For a small membership fee (\$1 to join Lackland Credit Union) and the purchase of at least one share, you get both savings and borrowing privileges. Because it is a non-profit organization, a well managed credit union can usually pay shareholders somewhat more interest on savings than commercial financial firms can.

A variety of secured (meaning collateral must be pledged against the money borrowed) and unsecured loans are available to you as a shareholder in the credit union serving your installation or command. A loan can be repaid at any time without penalty. Also, life insurance covering credit union loans is often free.

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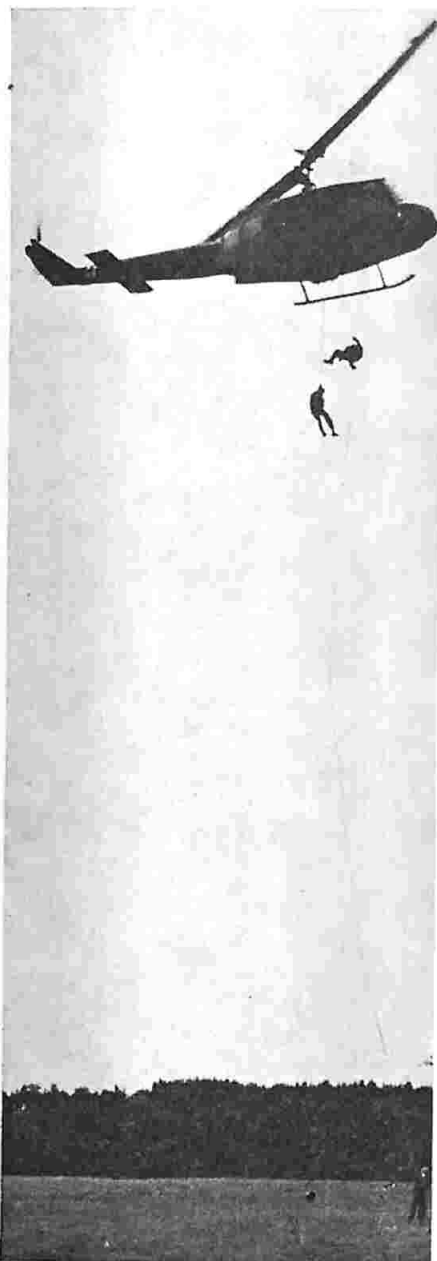
Lackland Credit Union

Mr. Russell O. Harland of the Lackland Credit Union, Berlin, gave a few other facts concerning his credit union at the recent Economy Couples Advisory Council session.

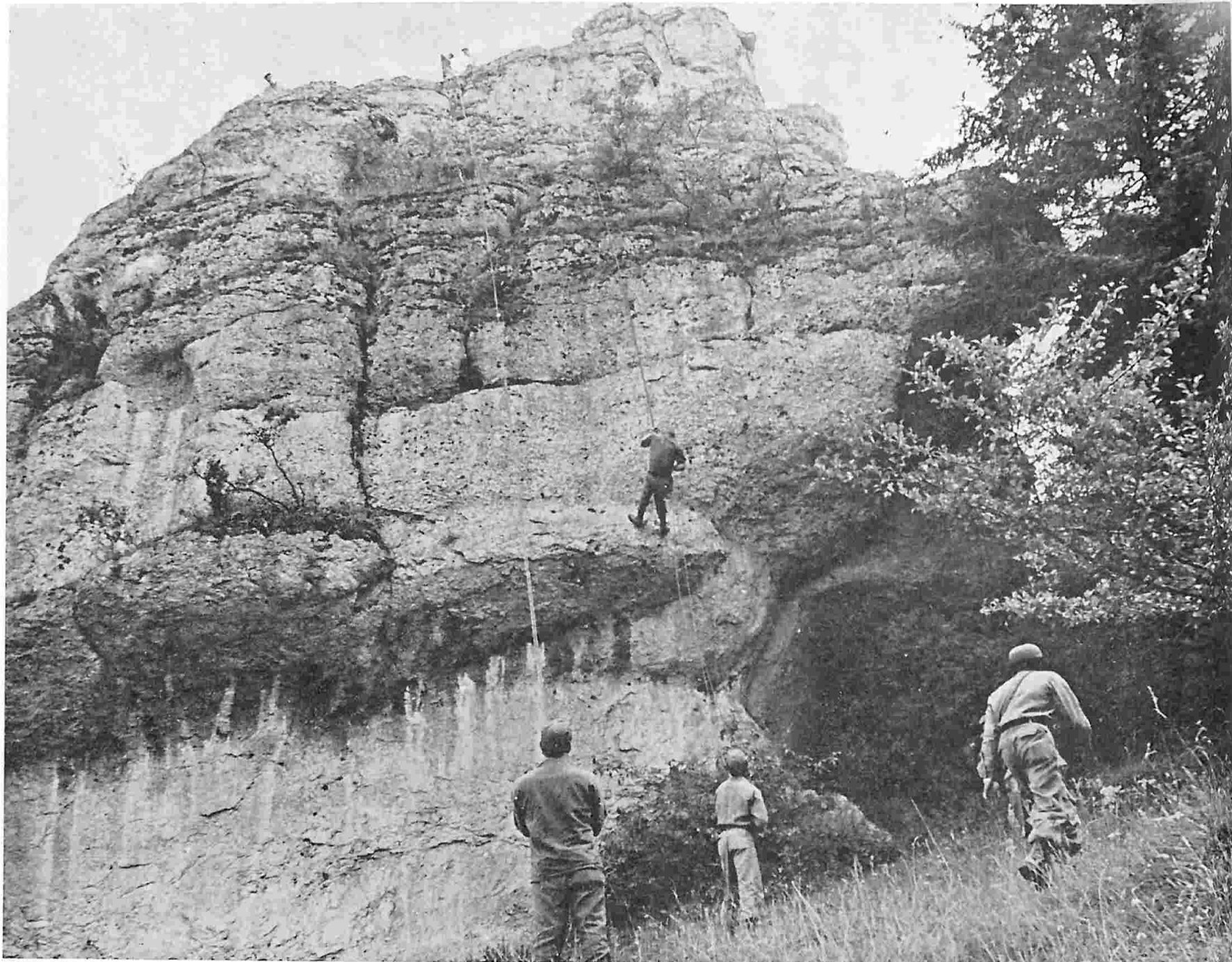
To join the union, you must pay a \$1 fee and keep \$5 in a savings account for life membership (even when you leave the service).

Interest on savings accounts is 6% compounded semi-annually. Free life insurance is provided dollar for dollar on your savings account up to \$2,000. Accounts in the names of your children are tax-free up to \$750. Accounts of up to \$20,000 are insured.

Loans can be made with an interest rate of a little over 6%. Loans are insured. See Mr. Harland for details. The Lackland Credit Union is now located in Room 204, Building 4, Headquarters Compound.



FROM THE GROUND it looked like this as the men from Company A-3/6 practiced free rappelling from a helicopter at Grafenwöhr. The chopper perched about 110 feet above the ground as the men descended to the ground by rope.



Lieutenants Staser and Wampler watch from atop the cliff as their men make their way to the ground

A-3/6 soldiers rappel from choppers, cliffs

Photos & story by Ralph Callaway

In all units, there are some types of training the men would rather do than others. Alpha Company, 3rd Battalion, 6th Infantry, naturally has their favorite too. Rappelling. If it's a vertical anything, cliff or empty air, and high enough to be interesting, Alpha's men are ready to go down it.

In two days of training at Grafenwöhr, they managed to have both a cliff and empty air for their enjoyment.

THE FIRST DAY they practiced on a cliff. With four ropes to choose from, there was little delay in letting all of the men do their thing. One of the ropes was only 30 feet, just tall enough to train those new members of the company who hadn't had time to really get the feel of rappelling yet.

But the other three made up for it by being about 90 feet long. That's not the longest distance in the world, but it is enough to get the kinks worked out and still have a safety factor present. Making sure that all went smoothly were Lieutenants Richard Wampler and Jeffrey Staser, who checked all of the men before they descended.

GOING DOWN THE CLIFFS is something similar to walking backwards and stooped over, with an assistant constantly dragging you backwards. To keep it interesting though, the crumbling granite cliffs had their share of bushes growing here and there to trip (literally) the unwary as they went down.

The cliffs over, the next day the men went out to do their favorite thing, free-rappelling. This time, the rappelling was done from helicopters instead of from the old standby in Berlin-Tempelhof. At Tempelhof, the highest point used had been only about 70 feet, but in Graf it was a little different.

With the assistance of Captain Edison Woodie of Berlin's Aviation Detachment, they were able to go to approximately 110 feet. The chopper seemed like an elevator as it took four men at a time up for their trip down the ropes.

INDIVIDUAL STYLE naturally stood out, some of the men coming down slowly, stopping occasionally to see the sights, others sliding down rapidly for breathtaking landings at the ground (the trick here was hard braking just before reaching the ground). No one was left out, as even this reporter and Woodie took their rides.



SGT JOHNNY DARDEN is watched by other members of A-3/6 from below as he goes down a cliff at Grafenwöhr.



MUD AND DUST do not make the best surface for working on one's equipment. But in the field, maintenance

must go on as usual. In this photo, two maintenance personnel repair a rear axle. (Photo by Ralph Callaway)

Maintenance must go on despite lack of facilities

by Ralph Callaway

One of the things that the 3rd Battalion, 6th Infantry left behind when they went to the field was a permanent motor pool maintenance shop in Berlin.

The pits and hard stand concrete and asphalt that they had in Berlin was definitely missed when the battalion pulled into their assigned motor park at Grafenwöhr.

Mud or dust

The men were greeted by 40 acres of mud/dust (the weather can change it to either condition in a minute) and one small work shop instead of their usual riches.

No hard stand, no wash rack (yet you still have to keep your jeep clean), they felt a definite loss in their old facilities.

But life and maintenance must go on, and even more so in the field. The requirement to keep the battalion mobile is stressed even more in the field than it is in Berlin.

So when a vehicle needs maintenance, be it a tire repair or a new axle shaft, the word is "Can Do" and it is done in spite of the dirt.

Keep working, maintenance, and dream of the clean shops you'll have when you get back to Berlin.

Flicks *Viewers like 'R' films, attendance records say*

by Michael McCollum

What kind of movies do you like to see? Do you go over John Wayne? Are you the kind of person who goes to see a movie that you heard was good, or do you go to the movies because there's nothing else to do? How do you feel about "black exploitation films" like *Shaft*, *Superfly*, *Trouble Man*, and thousands of others? I went over to the Outpost Theater the other day to dig through the attendance files to find out just what kind of film appeals to the audience here in Berlin. I picked out films at random from the months of February and March. The following gives you an idea of what people actually watch.

	OUTPOST		COLISEUM		Total
	Adults/Children	Adults/Children	Adults/Children	Adults/Children	
Pepper Cattle Co.	172/39	344/6	344/6	6	561
The Other	225/26	245/1	245/1	1	497
Koch	232/26	244/10	244/10	10	512
The Wrath of God	232/36	543/2	543/2	2	813
Blood From The Tomb	400/253	332/0	332/0	0	985

The French Connection	621	29	499	2	1,151
Shaft's Big Score	919	83	559	7	1,568

So there you have it, movie-goers. I might mention the fact that the two biggest sellers, *The French Connection* and *Shaft's Big Score*, are both rated R. The rest of the films are rated PG.

Some of the movies offered for the month of August are as follows: *Steelyard Blues* (PG), *Toys Are Not For Children* (R), *Jory* (PG), *Trouble Man* (R), *Bedknobs and Broomsticks* (G), *The Thief Who Came to Dinner* (PG), *Two People* (R), *Necromancy* (PG), *Hammer* (R), *Snoopy, Come Home* (G), *Shamus* (PG), *Doc* (R), *What Became of Jack and Jill?* (PG), *Brother Sun, Sister Moon* (PG), *Charlotte's Web* (G), *Deliverance* (R), *Hickey and Boggs* (PG), *Reincarnate* (PG), *2001: A Space Odyssey* (G), *Rio Lobo* (G), *Sounder* (G), *Loot* (PG).

The final score is R-6, PG-10, and G-6. The purpose of this article is to inform you as to the type of films that people go to. If you have any comments, please drop us a line.

KONTAKT trip successful

by Ned Morse

Last weekend's camping trip by KONTAKTers was an overwhelming success on all counts. Before the campers arrived, a scouting party of two Americans and one German located a camping spot

just outside the 14th century town of Celle in West Germany. By the time the rest of the camping party arrived, all the tents were up, food and drink were on hand and the stage set for a weekend of relaxation and fun.

All night party

Saturday was filled with sunning, swimming, leisurely conversations and friendship forming. Dinner that night in a small out-of-the-way gasthaus in Celle with some tremendous dishes, was followed by an all-night party at the home of a local resident.

Sunday was highlighted by a day trip to and through the area called Luneberg Heath. With the heather in bloom, the rolling landscape with its secluded glens was beautiful.

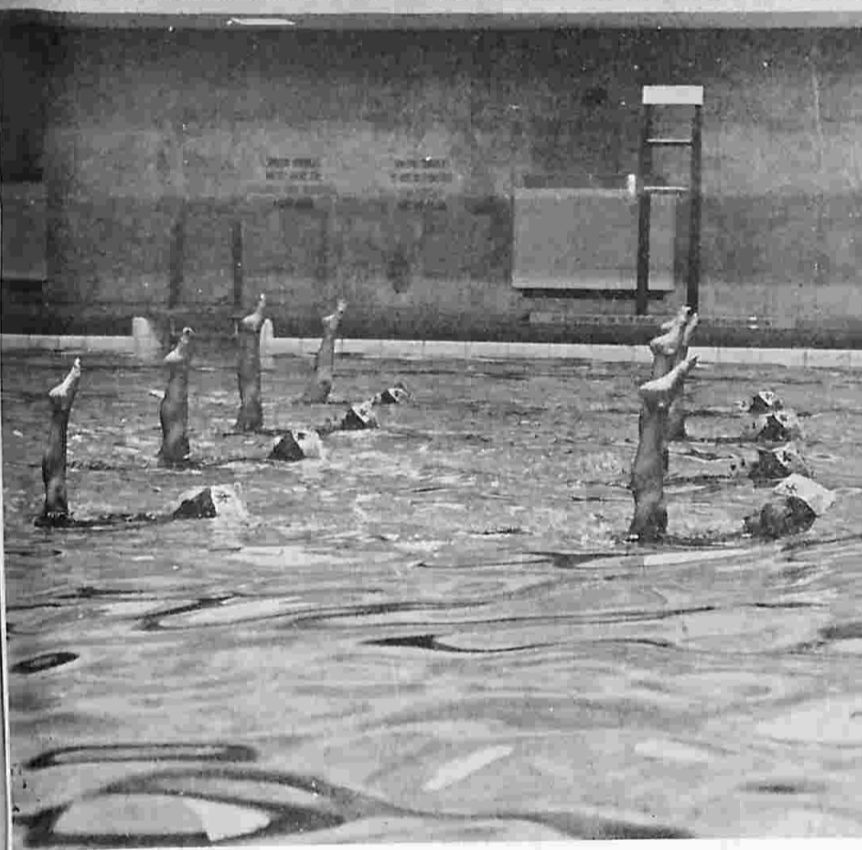
With such a successful first trip, KONTAKT camping is certain to become a very enjoyable addition to KONTAKT's monthly calendar. Already another camping retreat for 50 people is planned for September 15 and 16.

As for upcoming events, KONTAKT's Folksong Evening gets underway tomorrow night at 8 p.m. in the Amerika Haus. Our usual fare of outstanding atmosphere, inexpensive refreshments and interesting entertainment will combine to provide a good way to meet Berliners.

Then the following Saturday we're having a moonlight boat ride through some of Berlin's many waterways. On board will be a dance band for entertainment plus a well stocked and moderately priced bar and restaurant for refreshment.

Return at midnight

The trip takes off at 8 p.m. from Fennbrücke in the heart of Berlin (U-Bahn to Turm Str., then a 10 minute ride on bus 70, 72 or 16 to the first bridge over water — the boat can be seen from the bridge) and returns around midnight. The cost is only DM 7 and tickets are available in advance through the KONTAKT office at 6809.



WAC swim team performs here

The U. S. Army Synchronized Swim Team performed at Andrews pool on the 15th and 16th of this month. The team was organized last April at Ft. Sam Houston, Texas. The 13-member group was a real crowd-pleaser in the U. S. and delighted audiences in Europe as well. (Photo by Don Jenkins)

Thanks for your help!

The following is a list of organizations that contributed toward the success of this year's German-American Volksfest, which ended August 12. The list names the concession or activity, followed by the unit or units which operated it.

Hamburger stands: Special Troops and 2nd Battalion, 6th Infantry; ice cream stands: Booster Club and U. S. Army Hospital; corn on the cob: Detachment A and 4th Battalion, 6th Infantry; Chili stand: 2/6; beer keg: KONTAKT; game tent bar: Field Station Berlin.

Game tent concessions were operated by AG, G-1, G-2, G-3, G-4; Deputy Chief of Staff, Intelligence; Comptroller Division, Communications-Electronics Division, FSB.

Milkshake stand: John F. Kennedy School; VIP lounge: Protocol. The first aid station was manned by personnel from the Army Hospital.

The Public Affairs Office thanks the following groups and units for their efforts in keeping the Volksfest running smoothly: the 287th Military Police Company, Finance and Accounting Branch, Labor Service Battalion, Transportation Division, AG Special Services and the German Police.

What sort of film do you prefer?

SSG Johnny Hallmark — "They don't show enough G-rated films. I've got three kids. That's why I don't go to the movies very often. I go whenever they show a G-rated movie. I don't let my kids watch anything else."

SP6 David Sanders and wife — "Something that's fun. Anything, when we can get a baby-sitter. We don't like a lot of blood and guts, we like G-rated films. We're going to see 2001 tonight."

Rebecca MacNamara (dependent) — "We go every so often. Well, we go to a lot of John Wayne movies. My husband likes them. I like a movie with a plot. I think they have a pretty good selection of films."

Babette Frank (U. S. Army employee) — "I like movies of foreign origin, but one never sees them in American theaters. I like to watch the person sitting behind me. I also like to watch the popcorn lady."

SP4 Salvador Guinto — "I don't have the time to go too often. When I go, I usually go to Andrews. Most of the time it gets so dull here that I go for the action stuff. John Wayne gets a little passé after a while, though. I like movies with a lot of wildlife and scenery. I'm one of those ecology freaks."



SSG Hallmark

PVT Anthony Price — "Variation of films. I like to go to the British sector and see their films. I like anything fictional."

Charles Featherstone (dependent) — "I go to the movies about once a week. I like westerns, black films, and maybe the horror flicks."



SP6 Sanders, wife & son

VA's 'outreach' program to develop jobs for vets

Some 144,000 new job opportunities for veterans have been developed by the Veterans Administration through a cooperative program with private business firms across the country. An estimated 50,000 openings will be developed this fiscal year alone, VA has reported.

Under the agency's job-training "outreach" program, started in July 1971, VA specialists visit employers to suggest that qualified veterans be placed in training "slots" to develop skills tailored to their needs.

VA pays the trainees GI Bill benefits starting at \$160 monthly for single veterans, with higher rates for those with dependents. Employers must start trainees with at least one-

half the monthly wage the veteran will earn when he completes training. The training period normally lasts from six months to two years. As the training progresses, VA decreases the veteran's allowance every six months, while the employer increases his salary on a regular schedule. By the last full month of training, the employer must pay at least 85 per cent of the wage of the job for which he is training.

It is estimated that 340,000 veterans have participated in on-the-job GI Bill since the program was initiated in 1967.

During May 114,000 veterans were in training.



LS Battalion sponsors Volksfest visit

Members of the 6941st Labor Service Battalion, accompanied by American Volksfest Queen Sharie Patton (right) and Second Lieutenant Jürgen R. Gessert, the battalion English instructor (second from right), escorted handicapped children from Oskar-Helene-Heim Hospital

to the Volksfest on Friday, August 10. The battalion has been sponsoring these children in various ways for 19 years. The battalion personnel paid for the children's entertainment out of their own pockets.

(Photo by Don Jenkins)

Peltier, Gentry, Greene, Rios star in track meet

by Tom Jandris
Here are the results of the Special Troops Summer Track Meet held at the Olympic Stadium last Friday:

Event	Winners, second place	Time, etc.
4 x 100 meter relay	Winning team: Gleaton, Peltier, Greene, Gentry	45.4 seconds
1500 meter run	1) Rios 2) Kirk	4:10.6 4:39.8
110 meter high hurdles	1) Gullage 2) Worthen	20.4 20.6
400 meter dash	1) Gentry 2) Norman	53.1 57.8
100 meter dash	1) Caldwell 2) Spencer	11.3 11.4
Javelin	1) Donahue 2) Fawler	155'8" 139'5 1/2"
Shot put	1) Hoffman 2) Gleaton	41' 38'

Discus	1) Donahue 2) Collett	114'3" 112'1"
Triple jump	1) Peltier 2) Hoff	37'9" 36'11"
Broad jump	1) Greene 2) Spencer	21'7" 20'8"
800 meter run	1) Rios 2) Kelly	2:00.3 2:15.8
200 meter dash	1) Peterson 2) Gardner	23.9 25.3
5000 meter run	1) Olson 2) Harman	18:45.3 20:02.0
4 x 400 meter relay	Winning team: Peltier, Walp, Rios, Gentry	3:39.6
High jump	1) Peltier 2) Terry	1.8 meters 1.7 meters
Pole vault	1) Walp 2) McDonald	3.4 meters 3.3 meters

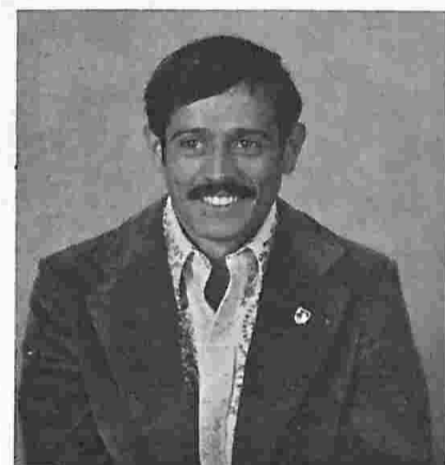
The Berlin Brigade Track Meet will be played Oct. 27.



Open singles tennis tourney

The 1973 Berlin-American Open Singles Tennis Tournament is under way at the Harnack House. The semi-finals are being played this afternoon 4-7 p.m. with the final scheduled for Saturday at noon. A consolation final, a group B final, and the main event will begin at 7 p.m. tomorrow. An awards ceremony will follow the final match. In case of inclement weather, the finals will be played Sunday. Everyone is invited to attend. Tennis enthusiasts should watch this paper for details on the formation of a new tennis club. (Photo by Daniel Morales)

Olympic star Pender visits city



WILLIE RIOS

... first in the 800-meter run, 1500-meter run and 4 x 100-meter relay in Special Troops track meet August 17.

(Photo by Don Jenkins)

by Vincent A. Drosdik, III

Olympic track star Mel Pender is in Berlin on vacation, visiting his friend Captain Charlie Greene. Pender, an Army captain who is assistant track coach at West Point, dropped by The Berlin Observer office the other day for a conversation.

Mel is an amazing guy—when he told me he had less than two years left before he'd retire from the Army, I was momentarily stunned. This man is also a professional track star at age 35!

Mel first entered the Army in March 1955 and spent 11 years as an enlisted man. In 1966 he graduated from OCS. After a tour in Vietnam, he went to West Point to become assistant track coach. He is also coach of the Army Track Team.

Mel ran in the 1964 Olympics, placing sixth in the 100 meter finals. In the '68 Olympics in Mexico City, he again ran sixth in the 100 meter, but picked up a Gold Medal in the 4x100 meter relay, Charlie Greene being one of the other runners. The relay team set the world's record with 38.2 seconds. Mel is tied for the world's record in the 60-yard dash with 5.8 seconds.

Mel got started in track in 1961 when his football coach suggested he run in a race. Mel won and in 1963

he started training in earnest for track, joining the Army Track Team at Ft. Bragg.

A great believer in a good Army sports program, Mel thinks every brigade-sized unit needs a sports officer and supports division-level sports competition. With an all-volunteer Army, such a program is necessary, he says, to get athletes to join the Army.

Professional track star

Mel signed a contract with the new, professional International Track Association in March. The ITA has signed top-name athletes to run in meets across the nation and around the world. It's actually only one team, the members competing against each other, along with challengers invited from the local area of the meet. First place winners get \$500, second place \$250 and so forth. Soon those figures will be going up. The events include all the usual track and field events—runs, dashes, hurdles, shot-put, etc., etc.

Pender's events are the 50, 60 and 70 yard dashes and the relays. To keep in shape, he runs 1-2 miles each day. Mel says that he must take leave to participate in the ITA meets.

In 1974, the ITA plans 24 meets across the United States and around the world including Hawaii, Japan, Australia and probably Europe.



MEL PENDER

... Olympic track star, now professional, visiting Berlin. (Photo by Don Jenkins)

Rod & Gun Club meeting

The monthly business meeting of the Berlin Rod & Gun Club will be held Tuesday evening at 7:30 p.m. at the Rose Range Clubhouse. Nominations for new club officers and council members will be made at this meeting. All members are requested to attend.

Game drawing

The drawing for the three mouflons will be held during the business meeting. It will be conducted in accordance with USAREUR criterion for game drawing. All qualified hunters desiring to participate must register with the Hunting Program Chairman prior to the meeting by calling 3132.



BERLIN LADIES FIRST — BG Robert D. Stevenson presented 50-mile Run-for-Your-Life certificates to the first group of women to complete the program. They are (from left): Ada Dziewanowski, Lucille Gagnon, Gilda Mitchell, Stevenson, Karen Jack, Marita Nicholas and Maria Vracin.

(Photo by Dick Kurtz)

Andrews, Air Force teams split

by Vincent A. Drosdik, III

Softball teams from the Air Force and the Army split an exhibition doubleheader Sunday at Andrews Field. The Andrews team, made up almost entirely of players from Field Station Berlin, beat the Air Force T-bergs 8-3 in the opener, but dropped the second contest 6-5.

Chris Hernandez pitched the opener, going almost the entire game for the win. The T-bergs scored two quick runs the first inning on errors to take the lead. Their only other run crossed the plate in the seventh inning when Hernandez walked four straight batters before being relieved by Presley Pippin who got the last out for the save.

The Andrews team scored its first run in the second inning when Mike Delabarre singled home Royce Belzung, who had led the inning with a walk.

Andrews took the lead the next inning with five runs. Pete Scalise drove in two with a triple, Belzung one with a double and Jim Kuntz one with a single.

Andrews picked up two more runs in the fourth on a single by Mike Fisher and a couple of errors. Ray Rousin got charged with the loss while Jack Wallace struck out eight Andrews batters in 3 2/3 innings in relief. Mike Delabarre made two sparkling catches of line drives at second base for Andrews.

Wallace strikes out 11

Jack Wallace dazzled Andrews hitters the second game with nine strikeouts in seven innings. But Andrews rap-

ped 11 hits for five runs while the T-bergs had 12 and six respectively for the victory.

The T-bergs got two runs the first inning with single by Ray Rousin, a double by "Ox" Stefan and two-run single by Larry Jones. Andrews came back the bottom half of the inning with an inside-the-park home run by Pete Scalise.

The Air Force stayed ahead with a run the second inning when Gil Wascak singled and was driven home by outfielder Pederson.

Andrews tied it up with two runs the bottom of the inning with singles by John Duback, who scored first on a throwing error by the catcher; and a single by Presley Pippin, who stole second and scored on another throwing error by the catcher.

Stefan led the third inning off with a single and reached on an error for the T-bergs, both crossing the plate on Jim Micek's double to put the Air Force ahead 5-3. Andrews got within a run when Belzung singled and went all the way around when the ball got past left fielder for an error.

Two double plays and a few eye-raising catches Andrews fielders helped keep the T-bergs to only one more run in the game, in the fifth inning. Stefan tripled and went home on Jones' sacrifice fly.

Andrews got its final run in the bottom of the seventh when Pete Scalise singled, moved to second on an error, stole third and scored on an error by the catcher.

Wallace was the winner and Pippin the loser.

the scorekeeper

Vincent A. Drosdik, III

AFN TV Sports

SATURDAY, August 25
1:50 p.m. — Weekend World of Sports with Jim Rose

Football: Los Angeles vs. Cleveland
Approx. 3:50 p.m. — CBS Sports Spectacular

Approx. 5 p.m. — American Sportsman

SUNDAY
2 p.m. — Weekend World of Sports with Jim Rose

Baseball: Cincinnati vs. Pittsburgh
Approx. 4 p.m. — Golf: PGA Championship

WEDNESDAY
Approx. 12:15 a.m. — Boxing from the Olympic

THURSDAY
10:15 p.m. — Thursday Night Sports Special

Canadian Football

AFN Sports

SATURDAY, August 25
9:15 p.m. — Major League Baseball: Detroit Tigers vs. Chicago White Sox, taped delayed.

SUNDAY
9:05 p.m. — Major League Baseball: St. Louis Cardinals vs. Cincinnati Reds, taped delayed.

Battalion-level softball

Two weeks ago I lofted a trial balloon pushing battalion-level softball next season. I had plenty of cheerers and supporters, but the weather wasn't right and it got nowhere.

Mr. Elmer Blair of Special Services tells me that he and many, many others are in sympathy with my idea. But that USAREUR policy prohibits anything but company-level team competition, and the Sports Office must comply with higher headquarters. By the way, when LTG A. S. Collins of USAREUR came through Berlin several months ago, he told Blair and others that Berlin had one of the best company-level programs in USAREUR.

In my last column I mentioned that a technical representative from the Sports Office was not at many of the tournament games, which was true. One was, however, at the MPs-Co. A game which was protested, only he didn't make his presence known at the time, prefer-

ring to let things cool a bit before making a decision on the protest.

NOTES AND ASIDES — Now that Hank Aaron is the only threat to Babe Ruth's record 714 home runs (Snooks having lost his chance this season), everyone seems to be making predictions as to when he'll do it. Jim Rose at AFN-TV has made his and many eyes are looking at me. So . . . I predict he will hit number 714 in one of the last few games of the season and will play all year, hitting number 715 and going on to finish 1973 with 745. He will, I believe, try to continue playing with an eye to going ahead of Ruth in career runs batted in, a goal which is one more excellent season, or two decent ones, away.

Back here in Berlin, Paul Maggio of Signal Co. has extended and will play his fifth season. "Big Ben" Hoyer of 42nd Engineers will be leaving Berlin before next season. And all but one starting player of the champion MPs will be back, making them definite favorites for next year.

Short!

Brief titles highlight movie week in Berlin

by Ray Stahl

This week's filmfare won the Army and Air Force Picture Service award for shortest titles for five weeks. We have one outstanding film and the others invariably attract some segment of the community, all in all . . .

About six times a year outstanding cinema efforts arrive here in Berlin, and **SAUNDER** is definitely in that category. Cecily Tyson and Paul Winfield star in the picture along with some young children whose performances are well beyond their ages. Rated PG.

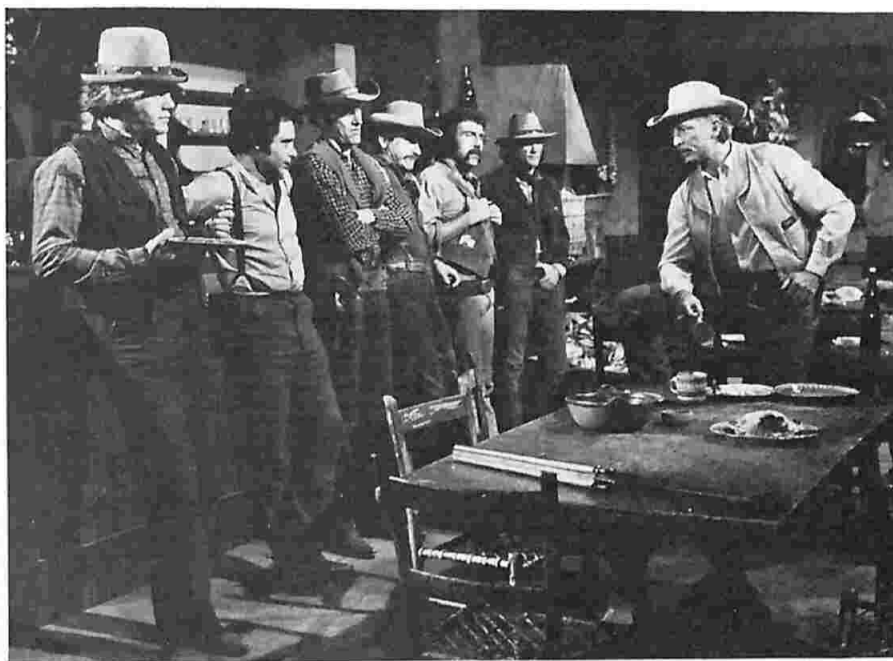
A bank robbery, in the nude, next to a funeral parlor with the money hidden in a coffin, is the primis for **LOOT**, but what happened to the movie? Unfortunately, Richard Attenborough as the police inspector and Lee Remick as the nurse murderer (or was it the other way around?) don't have the answer. Well, you can always see who the nudes are, but you may be tricked—the film's rated PG.

There will be no smart-aleck review of **WILLARD**,

as this picture has made a profit of over \$130 million since its release. Throw away your mouse traps, your favorite household rodent could make you wealthy. Rated PG and stars Ernest Borgnine.

AVANTI, not the car but a new movie with Jack Lemmon and Juliet Mills (from **Nanny and the Professor**), is next on the bill. Lemmon, the ulcered business executive, lands in Italy to take his dead father back to the States. He meets Miss Mills (the daughter of father's girl friend), and the laughs go avanti from there. Rated R. For those who really read these reviews, you are right: that explanation makes no sense whatsoever.

The week ends with the 53rd "Magnificent Seven" movie to be presented to the military audience in Berlin. This one, **MAGNIFICENT SEVEN RIDE**, stars head nasty Lee Van Cleef as sheriff of the Old West boomtown, Muncie, Indiana, and the story centers around Lee's struggle to get the zoning laws changed so he can open up some drive-in liquor stores. A real thought-provoker rated PG.



"ALRIGHT, SO THIS isn't the kind of law enforcement program you thought it would be." Project Transition officer Lee Van Cleef briefs some new men to the operation in *The Magnificent Seven Ride*. (Photo courtesy AAFMPS)

Second division hopes fade for Forces with 4-4 draw Saturday

by Ray Stahl

The U.S. Forces soccer team gave a try but could not hold on to a lead at halftime and played Rex Wunnicke to a 4-4 draw last Saturday at the Nair. It was the club's pivotal match for a potential move up to the second division.

Wunnicke scored first in this se-saw struggle midway into the initial half of the contest. Jeff Houlgate brought the Forces level and put them ahead with two goals in the space of 10 minutes and John Wilson drove another into the back of the nets just before the halftime whistle to give the U.S. squad an encouraging 3-1 lead.

The Forces' inability to hold onto a lead once again came to the forefront in the second half. Wunnicke scored two in quick succession and brought the match to level terms for the second time.

With 15 minutes remaining in the game, Pete Milhado took an in-close pass from Alan de Albuquerque and

stuffed it home to give the Americans a 4-3 lead. The lead lasted six minutes.

Wunnicke brought the match level for the third and final time on a breakaway with a well-flighted chip shot that Forces goalkeeper Dan Scioletti had no chance to save. The draw kept Rex Wunnicke firmly in second place but cost the U.S. club dearly in the point column. The Forces need to win all nine of their

remaining league contests to still be considered for a promotion to the second division.

The next league match for the Forces is against H.W. Hamacher tomorrow at Poststadion starting at 2 p.m. The line-up for last week's game was Scioletti-Cogbill, Salmon, Kasztelanski, Stahl-Milhado, Mackerer (70 min, de Albuquerque), Houlgate, Elwood-Wilson, Yarr.



TRIUMPH — Jeff Houlgate raises his arms in triumph after scoring his second goal against Rex Wunnicke last Saturday to put the Forces ahead 2-1. Pete Milhado offers his congratulations. (Photo by John Kabot)

Top Floor open for band groups

by Tony Nino

Everybody knows that the Stork Club is closed but what, oh what, can all that music be that's coming from those open windows above the Top Floor, Special Services Music Center, and its opening signals the inauguration of a new facet of the Berlin Brigade Music Program. The Top Floor is the first rehearsal facility especially for bands.

Special Services has long offered music rooms in the service clubs for individual musicians and small groups, but whenever large groups wanted to rehearse it was always, at best, under cramped conditions. At the Top Floor, groups will now be able to rehearse in a performance atmosphere. Of course, groups lacking their own equipment will be able to use the Top Floor's.

Naturally, groups looking for new members and people who want to form new groups are also welcome to use this new facility. The hours are 1-10 p.m. Tuesday through Sunday, and if you want to book rehearsal time just call 3550 or come up to the Top Floor, building 906, Andrews barracks.

Learn to knit

To all women in the Berlin American Community: If you are interested in saving money, one way is to learn to knit. Mrs. Wendy Westfall and Mrs. Beverly Hamilton have volunteered their time to teach a beginners class on techniques of knitting. Classes will be held each Monday morning 10 a.m.-noon at Andrews Chapel beginning August 27. All you need are a desire to save money, enthusiasm, pencil and paper. Free transportation and nursery service will be available. For transportation, call Andrews Chapel at 3440/3557 no later than 8:15 a.m. August 27.

AFN frequencies on your radio dial: AM 935 KC; FM 87.85 MC. FM Berlin presents its "Golden Sound" around the clock in STEREO.

(August 25)

0:00 World News and Markets
0:05 Night Beat
1:05 Night Time Experience
3:05 Bill Stewart
4:00 Fire Report
4:05 Bill Stewart
5:00 Jimmy Wakely Show
5:55 This is AFN
6:05 C & W Hit Parade
7:00 News, Sports and Markets
7:15 Notes from Nashville
7:30 Service Scenes
8:05 Morning Request Show

0:05 Night Beat
1:05 Johnnie Darin Show
2:00 It's Your Life
2:05 American Top 40
3:05 Bobby Troup Show
4:00 The American Hall of Fame
4:05 Young Sound
5:55 This is AFN
6:05 Just Music
7:05 Message of Israel
7:30 Viva
8:05 AFN Tree House
9:00 World News
9:05 Protestant Hour
9:30 Heartbeat

0:05 Wolfman Jack
1:05 San Francisco Scene
2:00 Special Announcement Summary or Drive Time
2:05 Bob Kingsley Show
4:00 Profiles in Greatness
4:05 Don Tracy
5:00 Town and Country with Earl Freudenberg
5:55 This is AFN
6:00 Six O'Clock Report
6:15 Wake Up Easy, with John Proffitt
6:55 Berlin AM Regional News
7:00 The Seven O'Clock Report
7:30 Wake Up Easy, continued
9:05 Charlie Tuna
9:50 Songs By . . . with Mark White

RADIO Saturday

9:05 Jim Pewter Show
10:00 World News
10:05 Jeannie McWells
11:00 World News
11:05 #1 Country
12:00 News and Sports
12:15 Jim Hawthorne's Comedy Theater
12:45 Any Questions?

Sunday

9:35 Close to You
10:00 News and Sports Scoreboard
10:10 Music for the Soul
10:35 Salt Lake Choir
11:05 Carmen Dragon Show
12:05 Finch Bandwagon
1:00 News and Sports
1:15 Anka Man
2:00 Weekend World
6:00 World News and Comments

Weekdays

10:05 Oldies but Goodies, Our Musical Heritage (Mon-Fri on AFN-FM)
11:05 Latino Lunch Bag, cont.
11:30 Poston
12:00 Twelve O'Clock Report
12:15 American Community News (Tue & Thu only)
12:15 Lunch Bag, cont.
1:05 Roland Bynum Sounds of Soul
1:50 Parade of Stars
2:05 Gene Price's Country World
3:00 World News/Special Announcement Summary
3:05 Frolic, with Ed Tooma
5:40 Sports Journal

1:05 American Top 40
2:00 Weekend World
6:00 World News and Comments
6:10 Sports Journal
6:30 New Breed (TASCUM)
6:45 This is Germany
7:00 World News
7:05 Those Were The Days
8:00 World News
8:05 Those Were The Days
9:00 News, Comment, Special Announcement Summary
9:05 Stateside Sports Standby Schedule
9:15 Bill Stewart Show
11:05 The Young Sound

6:10 Sports Journal
6:30 Golden Days of Radio
6:55 Fire Report
7:00 World News
7:05 Jazz Poetry and the Girl
8:00 World News
8:05 British Rock Invasion
8:50 This is Living
9:00 World News / Special Announcement Summary
9:05 Stateside Sports Standby Schedule
9:05 The Young Sound
11:05 Just Music

6:00 The Six O'Clock Report, with Today in Europe
6:30 Nightside
7:00 World News and Comment
8:25 Paul Harvey News and Comment
8:35 Face the Nation (M)
8:35 Meet the Press (T)
8:35 Issues and Answers (W)
8:35 Capitol Cloakroom (Th)
8:35 Northwestern Reviewing Stand (F)
9:05 Concert Hall with John Proffitt (Mon-Fri on AFN-FM)
9:05 Radio Plays and Dramas
9:30 American Music Hall (T, Th) with Ed Tooma
10:00 The Ten O'Clock Report
10:30 Old Gold — Retold
11:05 The Pete Smith Show

MOTION PICTURES

Week of August 24 through August 30

OUTPOST	Sun 2001: A Space Odyssey (G), Inc. Adm. 2:30, 7 p.m.	ASTRA Monday-Friday 7:30 p.m. Saturday and Sunday: 6 and 8:30 p.m., unless otherwise stated
Fri 2001: A Space Odyssey (G), Inc. Adm. 6:30, 9:10 p.m.	Mon Same show as above Inc. Adm., 7 p.m.	Fri Alice's Adventure In Wonderland (U)
Sat Children's Matinee Return Of Captain Marvel Blue Water White Death — Documentary 4:30 p.m.	Tue Rio Lobo (G) 6:30, 8:40 p.m.	Sat Same show as above Sun The Valachi Papers (X), 5:45, 8:30 p.m.
Sat Rio Lobo (G) 6:30, 8:40 p.m.	Wed Sounder (G), Inc. Adm. 6:30, 8:35 p.m.	Mon Same show as above 7:30 p.m. only
Sun Sounder (G) Inc. Adm. 6:30, 8:40 p.m.	Thu Same show as above Inc. Adm., 7 p.m.	Tue Weekend Of A Champion (A)
Mon Same show as above Inc. Adm. 6:30, 8:40 p.m.	Fri Same show as above Inc. Adm., 7 p.m.	Wed On A Clear Day You Can See Forever (U)
Tue Loot (PG) 6:30, 8:30 p.m.	Sat Same show as above Inc. Adm., 7 p.m.	Thu Endless Night (AA)
Wed Special Performance Cowboys Of Calico County (G), 1:30 p.m.	Sun Loot (PG) 6:30, 8:30 p.m.	L'Agillon
Wed Willard (PG) 6:30, 8:30 p.m.	Mon Willard (PG), 7 p.m.	French Movie Theater at Quartier Napoleon on Kurt-Schumacher-Damm
Thu Avanti (R) Inc. Adm. 6:30, 9:15 p.m.	Tue Avanti (R) Inc. Adm., 7 p.m.	Sat Duel, 8:30 p.m., starring Dennis Weaver, Jacqueline Scott, Eddie Firestone
COLISEUM	Wed Same show as above Inc. Adm., 7 p.m.	Sun Ben Hur, 8:30 p.m., starring Charlton Heston, Jack Hawkins, Haya Harareet
Fri Reincarnate (PG) 6:30, 8:30 p.m.	Thu Magnificent Seven Ride (PG), 7 p.m.	Tue Alerte A La Bombe, 8:30 p.m., starring Charlton Heston, Yvette Mimieux, James Brolin
Sat Hickey And Boggs (PG), 6:30, 8:45 p.m.	JERBOA	Thu Soldat Bleu, 8:30 p.m., starring Peter Strauss, Donald Pleasence, John Aderson
	all shows at 6 and 8:30 p.m. unless otherwise stated	Admission to be paid in Francs. No telephone reservations will be accepted
	Fri, Sat, Sun, Mon at 6 p.m. — Walt Disney's Dumbo (U)	
	Fri, Sat, Sun, Mon at 8:30 p.m. — The Triple Echo (X)	
	Sat Children's Matinee at 10 a.m. — Troublesome Double (U)	
	Tue Twins Of Evil (X)	
	Wed Love Story (AA)	
	Thu Carry On At Your Convenience (A)	

ATTENTION MOVIEGOERS Andrews Barracks Movie Theater will be closed for renovation through September 3.

AFN TELEVISION BERLIN

CHANNEL 25 Dahlem/Zehlendorf	CHANNEL 12 Tempelhof
FRIDAY (August 24)	SUNDAY
5:15 News Headlines	12:00 News Summary
5:20 Cartoon Carnival	12:05 Christopher Closeup "Simon and Buchwald — On Humor In America"
5:40 Across The Seven Seas "Windjammer"	12:15 Sacred Heart "First Step To Christian Unity"
6:05 The Addams Family "The Great Treasure Hunt"	12:35 The Least Of My Brothers — Special
6:30 The Evening Report	1:00 News Summary
7:00 The Beverly Hillbillies "The Doctors"	1:01 Herald Of Truth "Snap Judgement"
7:25 Wyatt Earp "A Wise Calf"	1:35 Camera Three "King Of Ragtime"
7:50 Town Crier	2:00 News Summary
7:55 Burke's Law "Who Killed Harris Crown?"	2:01 Weekend World Of Sports
8:45 Maude	5:20 Laramie "Run Of The Hunted"
9:10 Dick Powell Theater "Tomorrow The Man"	6:10 Toward The Year 2000 "Brother Can You Spare \$1,000,000,000?"
10:00 The Nightly News	6:35 Auto Racing "The 500 Of California"
10:15 The Dick Cavett Show	7:00 The Weekend Report Voyage To The Bottom Of The Sea "Rescue"
11:20 The Late Show "Invasion Of The Animal People"	7:10 News Summary — Town Crier
12:40 Final Report	8:00 Bonanza "Ambush At Rio Lobo"
SATURDAY	8:55 The New Bill Cosby Show
12:00 News Summary	9:40 The Don Rickles Show "The Moo Cow Child"
12:05 The Flintstones	10:03 News Summary
12:35 Jim Bowie	10:05 The Third Man "A Little Knowledge"
1:01 Sesame Street	10:30 The Late Show "Five Golden Dragons"
2:00 News Summary	12:00 Final Report
2:01 Weekend World Of Sports	MONDAY
5:00 Information Special to be announced	5:15 News Headlines
5:45 Heart Of The City	5:20 Cartoon Carnival
6:10 Death Valley Days	5:40 Bonanza
6:35 The Buck Owens Ranch Show	6:05 Information Special — to be announced
7:00 The Weekend Report	6:30 The Evening Report "The Paul Lynde Show"
7:10 High Chaparral "The Hair Hunter"	7:00 Wednesday Night "The Movies "The Flying Matchmaker"
8:00 News Summary — Town Crier	9:10 The Flip Wilson Show
8:05 Mod Squad "Eyes Of The Beholder"	10:00 The Nightly News
8:55 Carol Burnett Show	10:15 Black Omnibus
9:40 Sanford and Son	11:00 Wide World Of Sports
10:03 News Summary	12:15 Final Report
10:05 Double Feature Theater "The Lusty Men" and "Samson And The Vampire Women"	THURSDAY
11:55 Samson And The Vampire Women	5:15 News Headlines
1:35 Final Report	5:20 Cartoon Carnival
	5:40 Bonanza
	6:30 The Evening Report "The Doris Day Show "Jimmy, The Gent" Room 222
	7:25 Town Crier
	7:55 First Tuesday — Special
	8:20 M-A-S-H
	8:45 The David Frost Revue
	9:10 The Dean Martin Show
	10:00 Nightly News
	10:15 Thursday Night Sports Special Canadian Football

Cultural Events Around Town...



PHILHARMONIE
Tiergarten, Kemperplatz
Tel: 261 43 83

September 2, 8 p.m. — "Jazz and Blues Sunday" with Mr. Acker Bilk and his Paramount Jazzband.
September 4, 8:30 p.m. — "Folk — Rock — Pop — Chansons with Ofarim & Winter & Joana"
September 5, 6, 8 p.m. — Berlin Philharmonic Orchestra. Conductor: Leif Segerstam. Segerstam — Mozart — Sibelius.
September 8, 8 p.m. — Berlin Philharmonic Orchestra (in connection with the "International Radio and TV Exhibition 1973, Berlin"). Conductor: Herbert von Karajan. Mozart — Tchaikovsky.
September 12, 8 p.m. — "Good bye, My Love, Good bye". Dennis Rousseos et son ensemble
September 15, 16, 8 p.m. — Berlin Philharmonic Orchestra (program not yet known).
September 19, 8 p.m. — Berlin Philharmonic Orchestra, presenting "Music of the 20th Century". Conductor: Michael Gielen.
September 26, 29, 30, 7:30 p.m. — Berlin Philharmonic Orchestra (program not yet known).

HOCHSCHULE FÜR MUSIK

Hardenbergstrasse 33
Tel: 31 63 83
August 31, 8 p.m. — "Otto und die Red Onions"
September 4, 8 p.m. — "Klaus Doldingers Passport". German Super Rock.
September 8, 8 p.m. — "Schluckenack-Reinhardt-Quintett"
September 16, 8 p.m. — "Hora". Dances and Folk songs from Israel and Arabia.
September 30, 8 p.m. — Ray Charles and his Orchestra feat. "The Raeletts: Count Basie and his Orchestra, and the Oscar Peterson Trio.

The "Rolling Stones" are coming to Berlin. They are scheduled to perform at the Deutschlandhalle on October 19.

FORUM THEATER

Kurfürstendamm 203
Tel: 881 79 47
Daily at 8 p.m. — (until Aug. 31) — "Männersache" — a guest performance by the Staatstheater Darmstadt.



DEUTSCHE OPER BERLIN

Bismarckstrasse
Tel: 3 43 81
August 24, 7:30 p.m. — "Der Barbier von Sevilla" (The Barber of Seville)
August 25, 7 p.m. — "Die Fledermaus"
August 26, 3:30 p.m. — Private Performance: "Der Barbier von Sevilla"
August 27, 7:30 p.m. — "Tosca" (in Italian)
August 28, 7 p.m. — "Die Fledermaus"
August 29, 7:30 p.m. — "Tosca" (in Italian)
August 30, 8 p.m. — Ballet Night "Coppelia"
August 31, 7 p.m. — "Die Fledermaus"
September 1, 8 p.m. — "Der Revisor"
September 2, 7:30 p.m. — "Fidelio"
September 3, 7:30 p.m. — "Tosca" (in Italian)
September 4, 7:30 p.m. — "Othello" (in Italian)
September 5, 8 p.m. — "Elektra"
September 6, 8 p.m. — "Der Revisor"
Program is subject to change.

FOX-MGM present:

MGM Kurfürstendamm 197-98
Tel: 881 40 99
"A Disney Cartoon Jubilee (in German). Daily performances are at 1, 3:30, 6 and 8:30 p.m.

Smoky im Ku'damm-Eck
at Joachimstaler Platz
"Cabaret" (in German)

Filmtheater Berlin
Kurfürstendamm 193/194, Tel: 881 55 08/09
"Don't Give Up The Ship" (in German), starring Jerry Lewis

Ufa Pavillon
Kurfürstendamm 225, Tel: 883 85 51
"The Battle For The Planet Of The Apes" (in German)

Zoo-Palast
Hardenbergstrasse 29 a, Tel: 261 15 55
"Emperor Of The North" (in German)

Cinéma Paris
Kurfürstendamm 211, Tel: 881 07 89
"La Course du Lievre à Travers les Champs" (in German)

Astor
Kurfürstendamm 217, Tel: 881 11 08
Walt Disney's "Aristocats" (in German)



SUMMER CONCERTS

Schloss Charlottenburg
Eosander Chapel
August 25, 26, 8 p.m. — "8th Concert." Music of the 18th Century — Hertel — Krebs — Kirnberger — C. Ph. E. Bach — Schaffrath
September 1, 2, 8 p.m. — "9th Concert." Buxtehude — Biber — Frescobaldi — Tartini — Hindemith — J. S. Bach

Parkhaus Concerts

At the English Garden
August 26, 11:30 a.m. — "Special Concert." Thorand-Quartett, Munich. Haydn — Beethoven — Schostakowitsch
September 11, 8 p.m. — "5th Concert." Pro Arte-Streichtrio. Schubert — Reger — Beethoven
September 18, 8 p.m. — "6th Concert." Piano Recital by Maria Littauer. Beethoven — Debussy — Bartok — Liszt

HEBBEL THEATER

Stresemannstrasse 29
Tel: 251 22 12
Daily at 8 p.m. — "Pepsi" a comedy by Pierette Bruno. Sunday performance begins at 6 p.m. Theater is closed on Aug. 29 and 30.

THEATER DES WESTENS

Kantstrasse 12
Tel: 313 72 50/93 20
Daily — until August 31 — at 8 p.m., Sundays at 7 p.m. — "HAIR"

On even-numbered days "Hair" will be presented in English.

THEATER AM

KURFÜRSTENDAMM

Kurfürstendamm 207
Tel: 881 24 89
Daily at 8 p.m. — "Wie wir's denn, Mrs. Markham?" — a comedy by Cooney and Chapman.

A LOOK AT BERLIN...

Horse Races at Mariendorf
Mariendorfer Damm 222-238
"Trotting Races" at the Mariendorf Race Tracks are scheduled for Sunday, August 26 at 2 p.m. and Wednesday, August 29, at 6 p.m.
Zoological Gardens
Open daily from 9 a.m.-7 p.m. Admission for adults: DM 3.50, children 3 to 13 years of age DM 1.50. "Florida Dolphin Show" — starring "Sindbad" and "Robin" with tentative daily shows at 11 a.m., 2:30 and 5 p.m., Sundays at 11 a.m., 12:30, 2:30, 4, and 5:30 p.m. Admission for adults: DM 2.50, children pay DM 1.

If you want to visit the Zoo and the Aquarium you can buy a combined ticket which costs DM 5 for adults and DM 2.50 for children.
THERE'S MUSIC IN THE AIR... when the "Orchester der Berliner Künstlerhilfe" is giving daily concerts from 3-5 p.m. on Saturday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday under the direction of Egon Kaiser. On Sunday, the "Zoll Kapelle" will play for your musical entertainment from 3-5 p.m. under the direction of Alfred Nöther.

Victory Column, Am Grossen Stern
Tunnel entrances, located on the four corners of Strasse des 17. Juni lead to the Victory Column. Admission for a walk-up view for adults: DM 0.50, children: DM 0.10. Open daily from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., closed on Mondays.

Aquarium Berlin
Monday through Saturday 9 a.m.-6 p.m. Sunday and holidays from 9 a.m.-7 p.m. Admission for adults: DM 3, children: DM 2.

Botanical Gardens
Entrances are at Königin-Luise Strasse 6-8 and Unter den Eichen
The Botanical Gardens are open weekdays from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. Sunday from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Admission for adults is DM 1.00 and children under 14 years of age: DM 0.40.

Museum open: Tuesday through Sunday from 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Wednesday until 7 p.m. Admission free.
Wilhelm Foerster Sternwarte (Observatory)
Munsterdamm 90
Guided Tours: Fri. Sat. Tue. Thu at 8 p.m.; Sunday: 3, 4, 5 and 8 p.m. Closed on Monday.
Lectures at Planetarium: Fri. Sat. Tue. Wed. Thu at 8 p.m. Sunday at 5 and 8 p.m. Subject is: "Sternschnuppen und Kometen" (Meteorites and Comets).

Dance and Tea
The Stadion-Terrassen at the Olympic Stadium, Siedlallee 2 hold a "Tanztée" every Sunday afternoon beginning at 4 p.m. Admission is free.

SURPRISE PERFORMANCE
Sundays are special at the All American Service Club. Come and see the "German Police Dog Show" this Sunday at 4 p.m.

Carnival Time
If you care for some more "volksfesting," the "Wedding Volksfest", located at underground station Leopoldplatz is opening its gates daily at noon. Admission to the carnival grounds is free.

INTERNATIONALE FUNKAUSSTELLUNG 1973 BERLIN
International Radio and TV Exhibition 1973 Berlin
August 31-September 9
This year's "International Radio and TV Exhibition 1973 Berlin" will offer numerous other attractions, in addition to the entertaining products of the world's electronic firms. One entire exhibition hall, for example, will house a 2100 seat studio where visitors can watch telecasts in the making. Similarly, the gardens at the foot of the Funkturm will be the stage for an ever-changing variety of events, including performances by internationally known TV, radio and recording artists. And last but not least, the exhibition also will be the site from which a number of popular TV shows will be broadcast, including: "The Gala Evening of the Recording Industry"; "The West German TV Lottery"; and the 50th "German, Austrian, Swiss Hit Parade". In addition, the Federal Postal Service will put on a special show at which the latest in communication techniques will be demonstrated. Likewise, such organizations as the German Amateur Radio Club, the German Automobile Club, and the German Red Cross will acquaint exhibition visitors with the radio communication services which they offer. And even the repairs of electronic entertainers will be represented at this super show, in a model workshop that will demonstrate how radio and TV troubles are diagnosed and cured. As a result, the International Radio and Televisions Exhibition here will be a particularly wide-ranging information show, which — after all — it should be. For it marks the 50th anniversary of Germany's first regular radio broadcast, which was transmitted from a local station. However, the sponsors of this semi-centennial electronics' exposition had additional reasons for choosing this city as its site. Other than the fact that this was the place where it all began, the exhibition which was held here back in 1971, for example, was a tremendous international success, drawing almost 600,000 visitors to its doors.

New EES mail order catalog available, offers 1,340 items

MUNICH — The 1973-74 European Exchange System Mail Order Catalog is being distributed to EES customers this month. Orders from the 1972-73 catalog will not be accepted after August 25.

The 1973-74 catalogs and New Price Supplements will be available at customer service counters in all stores in August. Pennants and signs proclaiming "Just Arrived" will alert customers to the arrival of the catalogs in their stores. If catalogs are no longer available after the first shipment to stores, customers may obtain a copy by writing to Mail Order Branch (DO), European Exchange System, APO 09143.

The New Price Supplement with each catalog shows current prices as a result of currency devaluation that occurred after the catalog went to press.

More than 1,340 items, including over 400 new selections, are available in the latest full-color catalog.

For the first time, genuine oil paintings, each signed by a Bavarian artist, are offered in the catalog. Subjects such as "Bavarian Farmer", "Bavarian Alps", "Rothenburg" and "Alpine Scene" are among the nine paintings, which are offered in attractive frames.

Throughout the catalog new ideas for personal or home use or gifts are presented. The fashion conscious hostess will find sets of "color chromatic" dinnerware, glassware and tableware that offer unlimited combinations of red/

lavender and blue/green color schemes. In the section featuring the all-time beer stein favorites are new hand-painting glass beer mugs and tankards. Costumed dolls from Germany, England, Spain, Holland and many other countries impart their international flavor to the catalog.

Nearly one-third of the 328-page Mail Order Catalog is devoted to display and description of electronic and photographic equipment. The latest in four-channel and stereo tape recorders and decks, receivers, tuners, amplifiers and decoders, speakers and record changers and turn-tables appears in the sound equipment section.

Everything from pocket-sized cameras to the most sophisticated 35 mm single lens reflexes, complete with automatic exposure controls and an array of lenses and filters leads off the photographic selection.

The new catalog is designed to make at-home shopping easier than ever, with a newly designed mail order form that incorporates a customs declaration block for each order. A ring-sizing card is also provided to take the guesswork out of selecting men's and women's rings.

The 1973-74 EES Mail Order Catalog may be used by authorized Exchange customers on permanent or temporary duty with U. S. forces located in the European overseas areas of responsibility. All orders received from unauthorized customers will be voided and returned.

Community Observations

Bavarian retreat AWC coffee Oktoberfest tour

Bavarian retreat
The Protestant Men of the Chapel Annual Training Conference is going to be held at the General Walker Hotel in Berchtesgaden Sept. 11-14. This retreat is open to anyone who wishes to attend. Reservations must be made by Sept. 1. For more information or reservations, please contact the American Community Chapel at 6761, McNair Chapel at 3181, or Andrews Chapel at 3440.

AWC coffee
The first meeting of the season of the American Women's Club of Berlin will be a coffee at the Harnack House at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 4. BG Robert D. Stevenson will be the guest speaker. Any woman in the American Berlin Community is eligible to join the club. All that is needed is an ID card or a U.S. passport. Yearly dues are \$2.

Oktoberfest tour
Special Services Tours Office, in conjunction with American Express is sponsoring a weekend tour to the Oktoberfest in Munich. Leaving Berlin Sept. 28 by duty train and returning Monday morning, Oct. 1. The price of DM 99 includes all transportation, one hotel overnight with breakfast, a tour of Munich, a lunch at the famous Hofbräuhaus. Transportation to Munich from Frankfurt will be by bus. For reservations, visit the Tours Office, Room 3077, Building 2, Headquarters Compound. For further information call 6523.

Meet the teachers

All parents of students in the Berlin school area are invited and encouraged to join the new and returning teachers to the Berlin American High School and get acquainted before the new year begins. The meeting will be Thursday, August 30 6:30-8:30 p.m. at the Harnack House, with light refreshments being served. During the evening, a PTA membership drive will be conducted.

Register for BAHS

Registration for 1973-74 school year for students grades 7-12 may be done during any normal working day 9 a.m.-4 p.m. at the Berlin American High School and the TAR Elementary School. Because of potentially overcrowded conditions, parents are required to register their students as soon as possible after their arrival in Berlin.

AYA House

The downstairs recreation area of the American Youth Activities building on Hüttenweg will be closed from Monday, Aug. 27 to Monday, Sept. 3 for general repairs.

Gater Club picnic

The NCO/EM Club System is having a gala Labor Day picnic Sept. 3 noon-7 p.m. at the Gater Club picnic grounds. In case of inclement weather, the event will be held in the Starlight Grove Club. The food will be free: chicken BBQ, ribs, steaks, hamburgers, wienie roast, potato salad and baked beans. If you like, you can cook your own.

BAHS workshop

The Berlin American High School will hold the first of nine School Community Involvement Workshops August 29 at 9 a.m. at the BAHS Student Union. The seminar, first of its kind in Europe, will provide a relaxed atmosphere for parents, students and teachers to openly discuss the academic curriculum and school policies for the 1973-73 academic year.

Departmental groups will report

Departmental groups will report school priorities and plans for the year announced, and small discussion groups formed to address current school problems ranging from curriculum changes to school discipline. Anyone interested in attending should call BAHS at 6391/6392.

Soul food to be served weekly

MUNICH — Soul food will be offered at least once each week in 50 cafeterias and snack bars throughout the European Exchange System beginning in September.

A soul food cookbook of 21 dishes was compiled by knowledgeable black ladies at Hq. Army and Air Force Exchange Service in Dallas, Texas, and has been distributed to EES cafeterias. Each recipe has been tested for authenticity and favourable customer acceptance.

Soul food menus to be featured by EES are barbecued pork spareribs, potato salad, string beans and buttermilk biscuits; Louisiana style chicken gumbo and corn bread; fish fry, home fried potatoes, hush puppies and green salad with tomatoes; pig's feet in vinegar and hot sauce, cole slaw and corn bread, black eyed peas and ham hocks with corn bread; and southern fried chicken, collard greens, candied sweet potatoes and buttermilk biscuits.

In addition, a selection of these a la carte items is available: white bean soup with ham hocks, red kidney bean soup, hot fruit cobbler and sweet potato pie.

Soul food, which was born out of necessity on the plantation, in slave shacks and shanties, is now regarded as "down-to-earth eating" and will now be plentiful throughout EES for soulful folks of all races to enjoy.

ON THE HOME FRONT...

All American Service Club
Fri (August 24) — 1 p.m. — ACS Program. "Psychological Problem of Being in Berlin," "Dental Care For Children"
8 p.m. — Family and Singles Games with Jim Rose
Sat 2 p.m. — Pinochle Hall Of Fame Tournament
8 p.m. — Birthday Party For Cancers, Leos And Virgos
Sun 9 a.m. — Coffee Call With Berty
1 p.m. — Free West Berlin Tour
GERMAN POLICE DOG SHOW
5 p.m. — Cook Out
8 p.m. — Voice Your Choice
Mon 8 p.m. — Kitchen Kraze
Tue — closed —
Wed 8 p.m. — Fussball Hall Of Fame Tournament
Thu 8 p.m. — Bowling Tournament

Tue 7 p.m. — Fussball And Table Tennis Tourney
Wed 8 p.m. — Sundae Games
Thu 7:30 p.m. — Dating Game

ALL AMERICAN TOUR
Aug. 26 — "West Berlin"

HI-LITE TOUR
Aug. 26, 1 p.m. — "Free Tour of West Berlin"

Hi-Lite Service Club
Fri (August 24) — 8 p.m. — German-American Dance with live music and refreshments
Sat A DAY IN HAWAII
5 p.m. — Hawaiian History And Films
7 p.m. — Luau
8 p.m. — Hawaiian Entertainment
Sun 9:30 a.m. — Coffee Call
11 a.m. — Pinochle Tourney
1 p.m. — Free Tour Of West Berlin
8 p.m. — Films
Mon — closed —

THE DATING GAME
The ever popular TV show "The Dating Game" is scheduled for Thursday at 7:30 p.m. at the Hi-Lite. Men, sign up in advance for that "free date" — that's if you happen to be the lucky winner.

A DAY IN HAWAII
A Day in Hawaii is the theme for August 25 at the Hi-Lite. Learn about Hawaiian history at 5 p.m., followed by films on our 50th state. A Luau is scheduled at 7 p.m. and REAL Hawaiian entertainment is planned at 8 p.m. You can learn to "hula," or how to roast a pig "Hawaiian style" — come on out — it's all free!

Club 50
Fri (August 24) — 8 p.m.-1 a.m. — "Statesiders"
Sat 9 p.m.-1 a.m. — "The Prophets"
Sun 7-11 p.m. — "Driftice"

Starlight Grove
Fri (August 24) — 8 p.m.-midnight — "The Prophets"
Sat 8 p.m.-midnight — "Statesiders"

Harnack House
Fri (August 24) — 8:30 p.m.-0:30 a.m. — "The Mysteries"
Sat 8:30 p.m.-0:30 a.m. — "Nashville Express"