

### Unit Given AF Citation

ANCHORAGE, Alaska — Master Sgt. Franklin D. Warner Jr., son of Frank D. Warner Sr., of 1364 Dakota Ave., Libby, Mont., is a member of a unit that has earned the U.S. Air Force Outstanding Unit Award.

Sgt. Warner, a fabric-leather-rubber repair specialist in the 21st Composite Wing at Elmendorf AFB, Alaska, will wear the distinctive service ribbon to mark his affiliation with the unit.

His unit was cited for compiling outstanding records in both combat readiness and training in severe weather to meet the urgent requirements for direct support of the Southeast

Asian effort. The 21st was also cited for its participation in insuring the defense of Alaska and the North American continent.

The sergeant is a graduate of Libby High School. He served in the European Theater of Operations during World War II.

The sergeant's wife, Alice, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Crayler of Newport, Wash.

#### They're Beans

In Spanish America, the word frijol denotes almost any variety of cultivated beans. In Mexico, it means exclusively the kidney bean.

### Watne In Vietnam

U.S. ARMY, VIETNAM (AHTNC) — Army Private First Class Sydney G. Watne, 19, son of Mr. and Mrs. Francis D. Watne, Polson, Mont., was assigned recently to the 25th Infantry Division in Vietnam, as an infantryman.

### Capt. Waylett In Guam

AGANA, Guam — Capt. Dan K. Waylett, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry K. Waylett, Star Rt., Libby, has arrived for duty at Andersen AFB, Guam.

Capt. Waylett, an aerial reconnaissance weather officer, is assigned to a unit of the air weather service.

He previously served with an Air Force unit at Las Vegas, Nev.

A graduate of Libby High School, he received bachelors degrees at Montana State University and the University of Utah. He is a member of Sigma Nu, and was commissioned in 1960 upon completion of the Air Force ROTC program.

### Capt. Waylett Wins Air Force Decoration

AGANA, Guam — Capt. Dan K. Waylett, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry K. Waylett who reside on Star Road, Libby, Mont., has received the U.S. Air Force Commendation Medal at Andersen AFB, Guam.

Capt. Waylett was decorated for meritorious service as a weather forecaster while assigned to the 2nd Weather King at Las Vegas, Nev. He was cited for his outstanding technical skill, leadership and initiative.

He is now at Andersen as an aerial reconnaissance weather officer in a unit of the Military Air-IR Command.

The captain, a 1955 graduate of Libby High School, received a bachelors degree in education from Montana State University and was commissioned there in 1960 upon completion of the Air Force Reserve Officers Training Corps program. He earned a bachelors degree in meteorology in 1961 from the University of Utah.

Capt. Waylett's wife, Maryann, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John McGinnis of 609 Third Ave. S., Glasgow, Mont.

### Men Complete Navy Basic

SAN DIEGO (PHINIC) — Navy Seaman Apprentices Dennis J. Lawrence, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lester M. Lawrence of 177 Cottonwood Drive, and Earl W. Weaver, son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Weaver Jr., of ite 3, all of Kalspell, Mont., have graduated from nine weeks of Navy basic training at the Naval Training Center here.

In the first weeks of his naval service they studied military subjects and lived and worked under conditions similar to those they will encounter on their first ship or shore station.

### Area Sailors On Relay Ship

USS ARLINGTON (PHINIC) — Navy Fireman Apprentices Dennis J. Lawrence, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lester M. Lawrence of 177 Cottonwood Drive, and Earl W. Weaver, son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Weaver Jr., of ite 3, all of Kalspell, Mont., have reported for duty aboard the major communications relay ship USS Arlington operating in the Gulf of Tonkin.

The Arlington provides fast, efficient and reliable communications service to units acting in direct support of Navy and Marine combat operations in Vietnam.

### Serving On Ship In Apollo Recovery Fleet

Two Kalspell men are serving aboard the U.S.S. Arlington. This is the communications ship playing a vital part in the splash-down this morning of Apollo 8 about 1,036 miles south of Hawaii.

They are Dennis Lawrence, son of Mr. and Mrs. Les Lawrence, Kalspell, and Wayne Weaver, son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Weaver Jr., Creston.

Welch Thomas W

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### Sgt. Welch Awarded USAF Medal

SPOKANE, Wash. — T-Sgt. Thomas W. Welch, son of Orren W. Welch of Libby, Mont., has received the U.S. Air Force Commendation Medal at Fairchild AFB, Wash.

Sgt. Welch, an administrative specialist, was decorated for meritorious service while assigned at U-Tapao Airfield, Thailand.

The sergeant, a 1959 graduate of Billings (Mont.) Central High School, is married to the former Gay R. Marmon.

Weller Roger

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### Roger Weller Home From Vietnam

Pvt Roger Weller, son of Mrs. Iola Weller, is home from Vietnam after a year of service with the Navy at Cam Ranh Bay.

He will be in Kalispell for about one month and then will be stationed at Virginia Beach, Va., until March 1969 when his enlistment will be up.

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### Roger Weller Promoted In Vietnam

CAM RANH BAY, VIETNAM (FITNC) — Personnelman Second Class Roger G. Weller, USN, son of Mrs. Iola G. Weller of 811 Third Ave. W., Kalispell, Mont., was advanced to his present rate while serving at the Naval Air Facility, Cam Ranh Bay, Vietnam.

His advancement was based on time in service and rate, military appearance, performance of duties and passing the Navy-wide test for promotion.

The facility provides support to aircraft flying surveillance missions for operations "Market Time" coastal patrols and other Naval units in Vietnam.

West Howard T

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### Sgt. West Now In Thailand

U.S. AIR FORCES, Thailand — Staff Sgt. Howard T. West, son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert W. West of 1029 Lind St., Wheeling, W. Va., is on duty at Udon Royal Thai AFB, Thailand.

His wife, Sandra, is the daughter of J. J. Cook of Columbia Falls, Mont.

Sgt. West, a sanitation specialist, served at McGuire AFB, N.J., before his arrival in Southeast Asia.

The sergeant is a graduate of Wheeling High School.

West Kelly S

9 Oct 1968 pg 10

### Completes Basic

SAN ANTONIO — Airman Kelly S. West, son of Mr. and Mrs. Byron C. West, Rt. 1, Whitefish, Mont., has completed basic training at Lackland AFB, Tex. He has been assigned to the Air Force Technical Training Center at Keesler AFB, Miss., for specialized schooling as a communications - electronics specialist. Airman West is a 1967 graduate of Columbia Falls (Mont.) High School.

Whitney Arthur J

10 Apr 1968 pg 4

### Whitney Now In Vietnam

QUI Nhon, VIETNAM (AHT-NC) — Army Specialist Four Arthur J. Whitney, 25, whose parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur B. Whitney, and wife, Sandra, live in Bigfork, Mont., has been assigned to the 29th Transportation Battalion in Vietnam. Whitney, a clerk-typist in the battalion's headquarters detachment near Qui Nhon, entered the Army in January 1967 and completed basic training at Ft. Leonard Wood, Mo. He was last stationed at Ft. Belvoir, Va. Whitney is a 1960 graduate of Bigfork High School and received his bachelors degree in 1966 from Montana State University in Bozeman. Before entering the Army he was a draftsman for Morrison & Minter, Inc., in Helena.

Williams Arthur 17 Apr 1968 pg 7

### Williams Aboard Navy Oil Tanker

D. C. J. Arthur Williams, a 1964 graduate of Flathead High School is serving in the Navy and stationed aboard the U.S.S. Patapsco.

It is an auxiliary oiler gasoline tanker whose mission, at times, proves to be as unusual as its Indian name.

Named after a river in Maryland, Patapsco provides highly volatile fuels to Marine and allied units near the demilitarized zone that separates North and South Vietnam.

Williams Douglas C 21 Mar 1968 pg 20

### Williams Enrolls In Signal School

FORT MONMOUTH, N.J. — Private Douglas C. Williams, 17, son of Mrs. Romona Norton, 831 West Center Street, Kalspell, was enrolled in the U.S. Army Signal School, Fort Monmouth, recently for intensive training in one of the 50 specialist courses taught there, according to the Information Officer, U. S. Army Signal School.

Willis Clifford L 15 Dec 1968 pg 14

### Willis Completes Technical School

WICHITA FALLS, Tex. — Airman Clifford L. Willis, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Willis, of 189 Miles Ave., Whitefish, Mont., has been graduated from a U.S. Air Force technical school at Sheppard AFB, Tex.

He was trained as an aircraft mechanic and has been assigned to a unit of the Tactical Air Command at Dyess AFB, Tex. The airman is a graduate of Whitefish High School.

Wilson Dale C 22 Dec 1968 pg 23

### Dale C. Wilson In Germany

KITZINGEN, GERMANY (AP) — Army Private Dale C. Wilson, 19, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul W. Asher, 721 Sixth Ave. W., Kalspell, Mont., was assigned to the 3d Infantry Division's 76th Artillery near Kitzingen, Germany, recently as a cannoneer.

Wilson Myron L 1 Jul 1968 pg 2

### Wilson At ROTC Camp

FT. BENNING, GA. (AP) — Myron L. Wilson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis C. Wilson, Route 2, Kalspell, Mont., a student at Montana State University in Bozeman, is attending Army Reserve Officers' Training Corps summer camp. The course began June 16 at the Infantry School, Ft. Benning, Ga.

His six-week training program at the encampment includes instructions in physical conditioning, leadership, rifle marksmanship and taking part in field exercises.

Upon successful completion of summer camp and graduation from college, he is eligible to be commissioned as a second lieutenant in the U. S. Army. Cadet Wilson is a 1966 graduate of Flathead High School.

Wise Gladys K 26 Apr 1968 pg 2

### Completes Basic

SAN ANTONIO, Tex. — Airman Gladys K. Wise, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Wise of Fortine, Mont., has completed basic training at Lackland Air Force Base in Texas. She has been assigned to the Air Force Technical Training Center at Sheppard AFB, Texas, for specialized schooling as an accounting and finance specialist. Airman Wise is a 1957 graduate of Lincoln County High School, Eureka, Mont.

Workman Leland L 31 Jan 1968 pg 4

### Airman Workman At Phan Rang

WITH U.S. COMBAT AIR FORCES, Vietnam — Airman First Class Leland L. Workman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sidney L. Workman of Eureka, Mont., is on duty at Phan Rang AB, Vietnam. Airman Workman, a carpenter, is a member of the Pacific Air Force.

Before his arrival in Vietnam, he was assigned to Myrtle Beach AFB, S.C.

The airman, a graduate of Lincoln County High School, attended Eastern Montana College.

Wytenbach Norman E 5 May 1968 pg 11

### Wytenbach's Unit Gets Commendation

WITH U.S. COMBAT AIR FORCES, Vietnam — Staff Sgt. Norman E. Wytenbach, son of Mr. and Mrs. Burt Wytenbach of 1622 First Ave. W., Kalispell, Mont., is a member of a unit that has earned the U.S. Air Force Outstanding Unit Award.

Sgt. Wytenbach, a jet aircraft mechanic in the 16th Tactical Reconnaissance Squadron at Tan Son Nhut AB, Vietnam, will wear the distinctive service ribbon to mark his affiliation with the unit.

His unit was cited for exceptional service during a one-year period while supporting U. S. military operations in Southeast Asia. The 16th flies the high performance F-4 Phantom to provide field commanders with up-to-the-minute information on enemy troop movements, buildups or other activity.

The sergeant attended Missoula (Mont.) County High School.