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## Westover repels 'attackers' in all-out drill

By Capt. Rick Dyer

Westover came under siege during the February UTA when the 439th TAW staged an attack response exercise that had all the trappings of a full-scale crisis.

Terrorist bombs, a kidnapping, and chemical warfare assaults were just some of the problems that confronted wing members during the hectic, eight-hour test of the unit's combat readiness.

Even the weather added to the realism of the evaluation as a thick fog enveloped the base and provided "cover" for "infiltrators" who planted bombs in aircraft and fuel tanks and interrupted base utility and communications systems.

The scenario for the drill was the brainchild of Robert Motley, who led the exercise evaluation team, and base executive officer Roy McCord. (See related stories on pages 2 and 4.)

"We tried to throw them some curves and confront them with the unexpected," said Motley. We hold this type of exercise annually, but this year we wanted to place special emphasis on anti-terrorism techniques."

The terrorists — unit members and civilian employees who were specially selected by Motley and sworn to secrecy prior to the evaluation — did their best to harass 439th operations.

During the course of the day, they staged bombings, hijacked a C-130 and kidnapped a senior wing official. Lt. Col. Arthur Sorenson, assistant director of operations, was abducted by terrorists who demanded an airplane in exchange for his release.

He was later released when SMSgt Lyman Frain of the command post was able to lead security police to the colonel's captors.

At one point, a bombing forced the wing's crisis action team to abandon the

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Security was tight on the flight line during the February UTA as "terrorists" found out. Security personnel dressed in chemical warfare gear "searched and arrested" them before the "attackers" could do any simulated damage.

(USAF photo by Maj. Robert Carroll)



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**One of the tasks for flight crews during chemical warfare operations is to arrive at the aircraft uncontaminated by agents. A plastic bag and booties assisted crewmembers in this task. They are taken off as the crewmember enters the aircraft.** (USAF photo by Maj. Robert Carroll)

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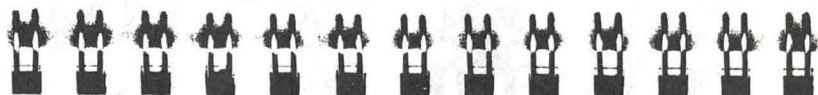
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## **Exercise notebook**

**By Capt. Rick Dyer**

It takes a dedicated man to plot a diabolical disaster. At least that's true in the case of Robert Motley, Westover's assistant chief of airfield management.

Motley, a retired lieutenant colonel who served with the 337th TAS, led the evaluation team during the February attack response exercise at Westover.

In that capacity, he created the scenario for the drill — a script that included a hijacking, terrorist bombings, a kidnapping and chemical warfare assaults.

Motley collaborated with Roy McCord, base executive officer, in designing the disaster that befell his former comrades. How did they concoct the intricate scenario? "One part imagination, one part James Bond and one part Time Magazine," Motley said with a smile.

Lt. Col. Arthur Sorenson was Westover's first kidnapping victim, but it turned out that he was a second-round draft choice for the dubious honor.

Exercise organizers had originally targeted Col. James Thomas for the abduction, but later designated Colonel Sorenson when they feared that Colonel Thomas had gotten wind of the ransom scheme.

Colonel Sorenson wasn't the only person "held captive" during the UTA. CMSgt. Jack Murdock and CMSgt. Gene Longfield used buses to round up stragglers who were spotted on base after the attack siren had been sounded.

"We didn't pass go and we didn't collect \$200," one detainee quipped.

What did Reservists do to pass the time in the shelters? Some chatted, some rested and some boned up on their medical studies.

Some enterprising 74th AES members staged a cardio-pulmonary resuscitation demonstration for their captive audience.

How thick was the fog that covered Westover like a soggy blanket during the exercise? According to Curt Osgood, meteorological technician at Westover's 26th Weather Squadron, there was zero visibility from 8:15 to 11 a.m. By 1 p.m., the visibility had improved to one-sixteenth of a mile.

You may have thought that you were at Westover during the drill, but you were actually in Italy. Under the exercise scenario, the 439th TAW had been mobilized and sent to a forward operating base in the land of da Vinci and Michelangelo.

The eight-hour drill generated considerable media interest. Two television crews, three newspaper photographers, several reporters and an AFRES audio-visual team were at the base to record the events.



# Westover repels 'attackers' (continued from page 1)

command post and establish new headquarters elsewhere on base.

Later on in the day, more than 700 Reservists took refuge in base shelters when wailing sirens announced an imminent chemical attack.

"While spending three hours in a shelter with the chemical warfare gear on can be physically tiring," said one wing member. "It certainly is preferable to breathing toxic gases if a real attack were ever to occur," he added.

If things were boring in the shelters, they were anything but everywhere else. It was a day of frenetic activity for many 439th members, particularly those involved in law enforcement, disaster preparedness and fire department units who responded without let-up to one crisis scene after another.

When canisters of deadly nerve agents — simulated by green smoke grenades — exploded on Westover's runway, 439th personnel quickly donned chemical warfare ensembles.

According to Motley, approximately 1200 Reservists performed their tasks while wearing the eight-pound rubber suits and eerie-looking respirator shrouds.

Maintenance crews from the 905th CAMS resembled martians as they repaired planes on the flightline while clad



**Members of the 439th receive instruction at the beginning of the chemical warfare exercise on Saturday of February's UTA.**  
(USAF photo by Maj. Robert Carroll)

in the protective gear.

Aircrews and medical technicians also wore the cumbersome garb as they scrambled aboard waiting C-130 air-

craft. Although the adverse weather forced the cancellation of the actual flying missions, two 337th aircrews participated in simulated launches.

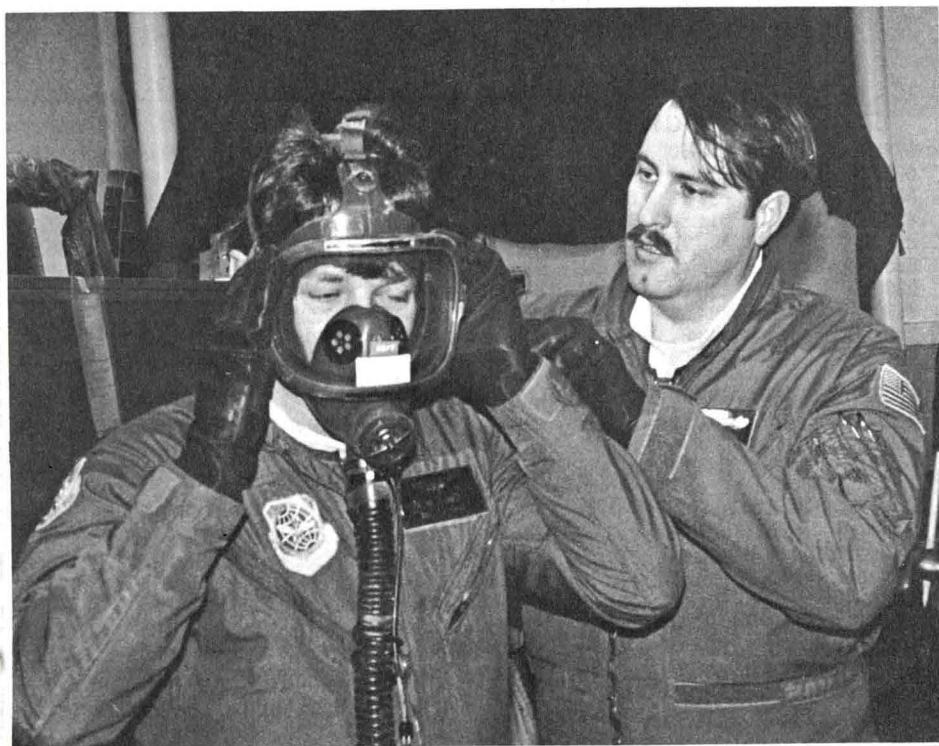
Under the script which Motley and McCord developed, the exercise actually began last month when wing intelligence officers were alerted to a deteriorating military situation in Europe.

The drill began in earnest on the Thursday prior to the UTA when unit members were notified by telephone of the mock mobilization. The 439th was activated and deployed to an airbase in Italy.

"It was a well-directed operation," said Col. Louis Paskevich, 439th commander. "It showed us our strengths and limitations, particularly in areas where we've never been tested before," he said.

The wing commander noted that the test marked the first time that Reservists here had participated in such a large-scale use of shelter facilities. He also said that it was the first time that such a large "component of terrorist activity" was built into an exercise.

"We're building up our expertise each time we do something like this," Colonel Paskevich said. "Next time, the results will be even better."



**TSgt. Steve Storm helps fellow 337th member, TSgt. Fred Perret, adjust his gas mask during the chemical warfare exercise.**  
(USAF photo by Maj. Robert Carroll)



| Pay Grade   | Under 2 | Over 2                  | 3      | 4      | 6      | 8      | 10     | 12     | 14     | 16      | 18      | 20      | 22      | 26      |
|---|---------|-------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Commissioned officers   |         |                         |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |         |         |         |         |         |
| O-10  | 649.92  | 672.80                  | 672.80 | 672.80 | 672.80 | 698.60 | 698.60 | 752.08 | 752.08 | *805.88 | *805.88 | *859.80 | *859.80 | *913.44 |
| O-9   | 576.04  | 591.12                  | 603.68 | 603.68 | 603.68 | 619.04 | 619.04 | 644.80 | 644.80 | 698.60  | 698.60  | *752.08 | *752.08 | *805.88 |
| O-8   | 521.72  | 537.36                  | 550.12 | 550.12 | 550.12 | 591.12 | 591.12 | 619.04 | 619.04 | 644.80  | 672.80  | 698.60  | 726.60  | 726.60  |
| O-7   | 433.52  | 463.00                  | 463.00 | 463.00 | 483.72 | 483.72 | 511.80 | 511.80 | 537.36 | 591.12  | 631.72  | 631.72  | 631.72  | 631.72  |
| O-6   | 321.32  | 353.04                  | 376.16 | 376.16 | 376.16 | 376.16 | 376.16 | 376.16 | 388.92 | 450.44  | 473.48  | 483.72  | 511.80  | 555.08  |
| O-5   | 257.00  | 301.80                  | 322.60 | 322.60 | 322.60 | 322.60 | 332.44 | 350.28 | 373.72 | 401.68  | 424.76  | 437.60  | 452.88  | 452.88  |
| O-4   | 216.60  | 263.76                  | 281.40 | 281.40 | 286.56 | 299.28 | 319.64 | 337.64 | 353.04 | 368.52  | 378.72  | 378.72  | 378.72  | 378.72  |
| O-3   | 201.32  | 225.04                  | 240.56 | 266.20 | 278.92 | 289.00 | 304.56 | 319.64 | 327.52 | 327.52  | 327.52  | 327.52  | 327.52  | 327.52  |
| O-2   | 175.52  | 191.68                  | 230.28 | 238.04 | 243.04 | 243.04 | 243.04 | 243.04 | 243.04 | 243.04  | 243.04  | 243.04  | 243.04  | 243.04  |
| O-1   | 152.40  | 158.64                  | 191.68 | 191.68 | 191.68 | 191.68 | 191.68 | 191.68 | 191.68 | 191.68  | 191.68  | 191.68  | 191.68  | 191.68  |
| Commissioned officers with more than four years active duty as an enlisted or warrant officer |         |                         |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |         |         |         |         |         |
| O-3E  | —0—     | —0—                     | —0—    | 266.20 | 278.92 | 289.00 | 304.56 | 319.64 | 332.44 | 332.44  | 332.44  | 332.44  | 332.44  | 332.44  |
| O-2E  | —0—     | —0—                     | —0—    | 238.04 | 243.04 | 250.72 | 263.76 | 273.84 | 281.40 | 281.40  | 281.40  | 281.40  | 281.40  | 281.40  |
| O-1E  | —0—     | —0—                     | —0—    | 191.68 | 204.76 | 212.32 | 220.00 | 227.64 | 238.04 | 238.04  | 238.04  | 238.04  | 238.04  | 238.04  |
| Enlisted members  |         |                         |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |         |         |         |         |         |
| E-9   | —0—     | —0—                     | —0—    | —0—    | —0—    | —0—    | 238.52 | 243.96 | 249.48 | 255.20  | 260.88  | 265.96  | 279.96  | 307.16  |
| E-8   | —0—     | —0—                     | —0—    | —0—    | —0—    | 200.08 | 205.76 | 211.16 | 216.68 | 222.40  | 227.52  | 233.12  | 246.80  | 274.36  |
| E-7   | 139.68  | 150.76                  | 156.40 | 161.84 | 167.40 | 172.68 | 178.24 | 183.76 | 192.08 | 197.52  | 203.08  | 205.72  | 219.52  | 246.80  |
| E-6   | 120.16  | 131.00                  | 136.48 | 142.28 | 147.52 | 152.92 | 158.52 | 166.68 | 171.92 | 177.48  | 180.16  | 180.16  | 180.16  | 180.16  |
| E-5   | 105.48  | 114.80                  | 120.36 | 125.60 | 133.84 | 139.28 | 144.84 | 150.16 | 152.92 | 152.92  | 152.92  | 152.92  | 152.92  | 152.92  |
| E-4   | 98.40   | 103.88                  | 109.96 | 118.52 | 123.20 | 123.20 | 123.20 | 123.20 | 123.20 | 123.20  | 123.20  | 123.20  | 123.20  | 123.20  |
| E-3   | 92.68   | 97.72                   | 101.68 | 105.72 | 105.72 | 105.72 | 105.72 | 105.72 | 105.72 | 105.72  | 105.72  | 105.72  | 105.72  | 105.72  |
| E-2   | 89.16   | 89.16                   | 89.16  | 89.16  | 89.16  | 89.16  | 89.16  | 89.16  | 89.16  | 89.16   | 89.16   | 89.16   | 89.16   | 89.16   |
| E-1   | 79.52   | 79.52                   | 79.52  | 79.52  | 79.52  | 79.52  | 79.52  | 79.52  | 79.52  | 79.52   | 79.52   | 79.52   | 79.52   | 79.52   |
| E-1   | 76.48   | (less than four months) |        |        |        |        |        |        |        |         |         |         |         |         |



## Patriot profile

# Barbara Reed – she's got what it takes

By SSgt. Deborah Elliot

Barbara Reed, a military personnel clerk in the Quality Force section of CBPO, has done it again. She has won another 14th Air Force award as Officer Effectiveness Report program monitor.

"Mainly because of her efforts," says MSgt. Barbara Bender, NCOIC of the Quality Force section, "the wing received a zero percent late rate on its 1983 OERs."

Mrs. Reed, who has monitored the OER program for six years, is something special, according to her co-worker, Sheila Fitzell. "I remember the first day I came to work here," she said. "Barbara told me I would be here for eight hours so I should do a good job but enjoy myself too."

That is Barbara's key. "I enjoy my work," she says, "and the people with whom I work. I find them very interesting."

Mrs. Reed likes things streamlined. "Written material should be to the point," she says. "When I first started this job, the OER directives were about as thick as a book." As a result, Mrs. Reed replaced the directives with a simple letter and in it writes, "say what you mean and be specific."

Although she likes things to be brief, she is not one to rush through an important task. Barbara feels the OERs are very important. "They affect the future of people and so must be filled out very carefully," she says.

"Another person might just process these reports, zippetty, zip, and only make sure none are late," she says. "But, I feel for the person who is being graded and know how important these reports are. If something is wrong. I take the time to try to correct it."

Barbara Reed gets great enjoyment out of life. "I enjoy opera and mountain climbing, reading and travelling, being around people and then being alone," she says.

Every weekend during the summer, Barbara and her husband vacation at a log cabin in the Green Mountains. "The mountains inspire me and are so refreshing," she says.

Just as the hills are refreshing to her, so is she a breath of fresh air to others. "Barbara is very congenial," says Sheila Fitzell. "She has excellent rapport with everyone and as personality goes, she's got what it takes."



Barbara Reed, OER monitor, discusses report with Lt. Col. Edward Selius, chief of personnel.

(USAF photo by SSgt. Deborah Elliot)



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# Kelly, not Westover, to get eight C-5's

Now you 'C' them. Now you don't. If you listened to the rumors circulating around the base recently, you heard that C-141's will relocate to Westover. Then, the rumors claimed a C-5 unit would be established on base.

Turn the rumor mill off. Here's the latest, 'official' word from Headquarters, AFRES.

The 433rd TAW, at Kelly AFB, Texas, will be redesignated the 433rd MAW and receive eight C-5 aircraft beginning in the summer of 1985.

There has been no decision regarding

the transfer of additional C-5's to AFRES. Therefore, other bases, including Westover, have not been selected.

Kelly was the first choice of the many bases considered because of its favorable demographic, economic and other related data; and availability of existing facilities.

Eight of Kelly's existing C-130's will transfer to the 901st TAG, at Peterson AFB, Colo., which will be redesignated the 302nd TAW. The remaining eight Kelly C-130's will go to the 943rd TAG which will be reactivated at March AFB,

Calif.

The decision to transfer some C-5A aircraft to AFRES was made in light of the programmed delivery of C-5B's to the Military Airlift Command.

Said Maj. Gen. Sloan R. Gill, AFRES commander, "These additions to our force structure are indicative of the strong support of the active Air Force in allowing us to share many of the important mission of the Air Force. It also signifies their willingness to share more of the first line equipment to help meet the challenging requirements."

## Humanitarian service medals awarded 15 wing members

Fifteen wing members received Humanitarian Service Medals during Commander's Call on Feb. 5 from Col. James P. Thomas, deputy commander for operations.

They received the award for their part in the June 1983 emergency airlift to Piura, Peru. The 439th and one Air National Guard plane from Nashville,

Tenn. airlifted 170 tons of food and supplies — enough to support 44,000 people for one month — to the flood ravaged Peruvian countryside.

Wing headquarters personnel who received the award were Maj. Glenn DeForge and Capt. Robert McDonald. Recipients from the 337th TAS were Maj. Thomas J. Grenham, Capt. Kent

Michaelsen, 2nd Lt. Jay Milkey, MSgt. Robert Whitman, TSgts. Ronald Robins and David Early Jr. and SSgt. Michael Lapa.

905th CAMS personnel receiving the award were MSgts. John Carter and Raymond Desrosiers, and TSgts. Daniel Chenny, Raymond Gehn, John Taveres and Paul Tetreault.

## "Flat Rate" per diem test effects your next trip

A flat rate per diem test for temporary duty travel began Feb. 5 and will end Sept. 1985.

Under this new concept, travelers will be paid the rate established for the area of the temporary duty. The statement of actual expenses is no longer used, and receipts are no longer required for meals and lodgings.

Receipts will still be required for non-per diem expenses when they exceed \$25. Certain transportation costs are non-per diem expenses. Statements of non-availability are still required for off-base rates. Payment to enlisted members will continue to be reduced by the amount of separate rations for the per diem period.

"The new program has two objectives," explains Ray Gilbert, Westover's comptroller. "First, travelers will be able

to calculate their own per diem entitlement. Thus, they'll know exactly how much they can spend before leaving. In addition, it will be much easier for office staff to process the simplified forms."

Under the plan, the per diem payable for the day of departure and day of return to the permanent duty station is based on the rate established for the TDY point traveled. Whether a full or partial day of per diem is payable is based on the time of departure.

A simplifying factor under "Flat Rate" is that no reduction to per diem is made for meals that could be eaten in an available government or government contracted dining facility after arrival at the TDY point.

Beginning on the day after arrival at the TDY point, when government quarters and meals are available, a flat rate

of \$13 will be given. For each government meal not available, an additional allowance of \$4 is payable.

When assigned off-base government contracted quarters, 50 percent of the locality rate will be paid without regard to the availability of government or government contracted dining facilities.

When authorized to use commercial lodging, 100 percent of the locality rate is applicable without regard to the availability of government or government contracted dining facilities or the actual cost of the commercial lodgings used.

Letters, explaining the new program in greater detail will be distributed to all squadrons followed by a series of briefings by the comptroller's office. Military and civilian personnel expecting to use the new per diem procedures may contact the comptroller's office.



## Westover Briefs

### Officers' dining-in date set for April

Say good-bye to one 439th tradition and hello to another. Instead of the annual Officers' Dining-Out, this year the Wing will hold its first Dining-In, on Saturday Apr. 7.

Unlike previous years, the officers' spouses are not invited. The evening's festivities include a keynote address by retired Brig. Gen. Billy Knowles, the Wing's former commander. The \$25 tickets are available through your unit representative and may be charged to your club bill.

### Chaplain staff honors Fr. Ryan

In honor of his 25 years in the priesthood, the Wing's chaplain staff presented Lt. Col. Albert Ryan, wing chaplain, with a plaque of appreciation on Saturday, Feb. 4.

In addition, Chaplain Ryan received a citation which commemorated his ordination anniversary from Col. Louis LeDoux, AFRES command chaplain.

Currently, Chaplain Ryan is the Assistant Pastor of the St. Francis Xavier Church, in Hyannis, Mass.

The plaque was given by 1st Lt. (Chaplain) William Hamilton; 1st Lt. (Chaplain) Richard Miesel; MSgts. James DeVita and David Stebbins; and TSgt. Robert Kazalski.

### New tire store opens on base

The Westover Exchange Tire and Battery Center held its grand opening Feb. 22. It is located at the base exchange and will be open from 10 to 5:00 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday of the UTA.

## "Patriot People"



**Name:** WILBURT GUILFORD

**Rank:** TSgt.

**Age:** 34

**Address:** 12 Candlewood Drive  
S. Windsor, CT

**Unit:** 439 CSG/ACF

**Position:** Travel specialist

**Civilian Occupation:** auditor

**Favorite Food:** I like everything

**Favorite Beverage:** fruit punch

**Favorite Sports:** baseball

**Favorite Hobby:** sewing

**Ideal Vacation:** Phoenix in winter  
Montreal in summer

**Best Way To Relax:** doing something productive

**Preferred Entertainment:** live jazz band

**Favorite Celebrity:** Jesus Christ

**Favorite Music:** jazz

**Favorite Magazine:** The Plain Truth

**Favorite Book:** The New American Bible

**Favorite Color:** Brown

**Favorite Car:** '57 Thunderbird with opera windows

**Pet Peeve:** taxes

**Best Thing About Westover:** natural setting

**Worst Thing About Westover:** omit this heading. . .

## News around the Reserve

The 419th Tactical Fighter Wing at Hill AFB, Utah, is the first U.S. Air Force Reserve unit to receive the F-16 Fighting Falcon. The F-16 is a highly maneuverable multirole fighter that can be used in air-to-air and air-to-surface missions. Sixteen F-16s will go to 419th initially, with another six to be added the first quarter of fiscal 1985. The 419th was the last Air Force unit to fly the F-105 Thunderchief. Retirement ceremonies for that aircraft were in February.

Reserve retirement eligibility expands pay because of a recent change to public law. Individuals affected by the new law are those who were reservists before August 16, 1945. But did not serve on active

duty in World War I, World War II or Korea. Previously reservists in this category could not receive retired pay because they did not serve on extended active duty during a period of hostilities. Because changes in Public Law 98-94, effective Sept. 24, added the Berlin and Cuban Crisis and Vietnam to the list of hostilities. Reservists on active duty from August 13, 1961 to May 31, 1963; or from August 4, 1964 to March 27, 1973, other than for training are entitled to retirement pay. Air reservists affected by the law are encouraged to write the ARPC Retirements Branch at ARPC/DPAAP, Denver Colo. 80280; or call toll free 1-800-525-0102, extension 402.





## A Photographic View of The Exercise

by Maj. Robert Carroll,  
SSgt. Gordon Newell and Greg Schmidt

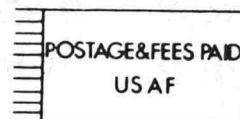


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