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This is the last issue before the Annual Convention. Checking back through the records we find that the up-coming meeting in Pittsburg is number 9.

Along the line of business we have election of officers. This year three terms expire: president, 2nd vice-president and secretary. Presently these positions are filled by "yours truly," Mel Hemann, John Bellon of Clinton, Iowa and Dick Skriba of Chicago. You might be giving some thought between now and July 13 - 14 for nominees to these positions.

In the area of intellectual pursuits Bob Pool of Corning, Kansas is prepared to give a presentation on some of the principals of aerodynamics involved in various types of aircraft design and construction. Prior to his studies for the priesthood Bob received his degree in aeronautical engineering and so is well qualified to enlighten us in this particular area.

Another item that will be brought up after having been discussed by the Board of Directors is whether or not Protestant Ministers should be admitted to NAPP. Interest has been shown by a friend of an NAPP member and action has been deferred till after the meeting.

As far as host Jack Dompka is concerned at this point the most important thing is to let him know by sending in your reservation sheet that you are coming. You'll find that, along with other pertinent information, on the last page of this newsletter.

Jack has sent the following particulars regarding the Convention.

If you are coming alone or with just one passenger you are asked to go directly to Allegheny County Airport. When landing at Allegheny Co. inform G.C. that you are attending the Flying Priest convention. They will tell you where to park. Go to Miller Airlines in the small terminal building and tell them you want transportation to Greater Pitt. If you have any trouble call the rectory (412-264-2573) and arrangements will be made to pick you up by car or plane.

If there are more than two in the plane, Jack suggests that you land first at Greater Pitt. Ask G.C. for directions to Beckett Aviation west of the terminal building. Tell the man you are attending the Flying Priest convention and you willnot be charged the regular landing fee.

Both of the airports have heavy jet traffic and a word of caution is in order. Give yourself plenty of time before and after.

To help in locating the two airports Jack says that in approaching Pittsburg you will notice a number of very tall buildings. The U.S. Steel building, now being constructed, is the highest. Allegheny Co. Airport is to the EAST. Greater Pitt is to the WEST.

To those of you who will be arriving the dangerous way - by car - Jack will send a Hertz map. If you fail to receive one for some reason or other Penn Lincoln Parkway, routes 60 and 51 all lead to the airport.

All are to report at Howard Johnson's unless notified otherwise by Jack. That's where we'll be staying

That pretty well sums up the directions. Be sure and get that reservation sheet filled out and MAILED. It sure helps to know how many are coming and when. Also be sure to bring all this info with you. It may simplify things when you arrive.



Fr. Philip Thomi sends "regrets" that he will not be able to attend this year's Convention. Duties in Vietnam prevent his presence.

Phil says the Vietnam duty is quite interesting and requests that we keep him in our prayers.

In Chicago, Dick Skriba is periodically getting together with fellow NAPP'ers, Jim Kelley of the Great Lakes Naval Hospital and Paul O'Connor on leave from Africa and awaiting assignment to the West Coast.

Dick and Jim are working on their instrument ratings A.T.E. in Chicago.

NAPP treasurer, Charles B. Teufel has made the rank of Pastor. As of February 17, he is pastor of St. Thomas Parish in Thomas, West Virginia.

A recent snowfall-May 3-has convinced him not to put his overcoat away till July. So if you run into an overcoat clad Padre flying into Pittsburgh, July 13, you'll know who is it.

A two-week workshop on "Marriage and Family Life" at St. John's University, College-ville, Minnesota Jun 7-19 was attended by P.J. McDonald of Des Moines and John and Mel Hemann.

John Hemann of Mason City, Iowa and Martin Pfab, presently of Osage, Iowa and soon to be in Mason City, have solved the rental problem by purchasing a Cherokee 140. Marty is busy finishing up for his private while John will soon get down to serious business on his IFR rating.

Fr. Gerald O'Leary writes from Newark that he has already signed up for the Aero-space Institute for Science Ed at Seton Hall University during July--otherwise he'd love to fly the Mooney Mite to Pittsburgh. He hopes to see some of the gang soon.

Army Chaplain Tom Currier sends the following from Korea:

"In the adjoining village of about 50,000 people there is a small Catholic Church whose pastor is Father Ahn.

He has a home congregation of about 3000 souls, His church roof needs repair to the tune of \$700.00 for this I am making a personal donation of \$500.00.

Fr. Ahn rides a motor bike to 5 mission stations scattered along 26 miles of road up to the DMZ where the Red Korean Army lies perched awaiting the advantageous moment.

Fr. Joseph Ahn really needs a jeep type vehicle to brave the monsoons and the winter.

In addition he is opening another mission station for 100 souls who have to walk ten miles to Church.

Ten miles in Korea is either a long walk, a rough bicycle ride, or a forty-five minute jeep ride, at least in the area where Father Ahn works.

I'm wondering if the NAPP members in Convention might wish to lend a missionary hand to this effort. I know they are missionary minded in their air-apostolate. Whatever you decide will be understood.

I might get moved to Osan AFB later in the tour. Then I can fly again at the local flying club. I get in a little stick time in UH-58 helicopters from time to time, but not too often here. More ground travel than in Vietnam. I hoped to get a little O-2 time (Cessno push-pull) but couldn't shake loose. More chance of that at Osan too.

Greetings to all the padres, especailly John Bellon and our acquaintances. Maybe I can be with you next year."

Received word from Fr. John Birk of Spokane, Washington that he is back in the Country. John had volunteered to work in their mission in Guatemala. After a 23 day stay he had to return because of difficulties with a knee that had been operated on last December.

John says there are 2 Maryknoll Fathers who fly out of Guatemala City. One of them had the experience of taking off from his mission and hitting a cow (airborne at about 3 feet - the plane, not the cow) with 4 passengers on board. The plane touched ground, but by putting on full power was able to make it before reaching the end of the runway. When he landed in Guatemala City he found a piece of flesh from the cow on the wing. The cow charged on the strip at the last second and hence could not avoid being hit by the plane.

John has been re-assigned to his former parish at St. John Vianney in Spokane so his address as listed in the directory is correct.



Al and T-Bird

Msgr. Al Sigur, President-Rector of Notre Dame Seminary, New Orleans had his first ride in a jet T-Bird while on a visit to a Korean Air Force base. The photo shows Al seated in the T-Bird last March.

Al is making plans to attend the Convention this year so perhaps we can be filled in on the details at that time.

Fr. Jack Murphy of Moorestown, New Jersey, has taken on a new task. Recently a farmer friend of his retired and Jack has leased his 160 acre farm to provide a day camp for city kids. He has had a large number of teenage volunteers helping to get the place in order. Now he needs items ranging from sporting equipment to farm machinery. If you know of any one who has such things contact:

Rev. John T. Murphy Farmstead Day Camp Salem Road Moorestown, New Jersey 08057 Rev. Raymond K. Radzieta Rt. 1 Box 100 Buckhannon, West Virginia 26201

Most Rev. Leo Arkfeld, SVD Catholic Mission Wewak, New Guinea

Rev. Francis Roscetti, O.F.M. Cap Box 464 Ridgeley, West Virginia 26753

Rev. Robert L. Rutzinske 550 Schuyler St. Neosho, Wisconsin 53059

Rev. Gerald O'Leary 528 High Street Neward, N.J. 07102

Rev. Denis Madigan, C.P. Box 116, P.O. St. Ives N.S.W. Australia

Father Philip F. Thoni CH (CPT) USA 410-30-0292 USA Army Religious Retreat Center APO San Francisco, California 96392

Lt. James F. Kelley, CHC. USNR Chaplain's Office Naval Hospital Great Lakes, Illinois 60088

Rev. Joseph Murphy Box 61 Glassboro, New Jersey 08028

Maj. Donald E. Bartone 384-40-1746 7101 Air Base Wg. (Hc) APO New York, New York 09220

Rev. Charles B. Teufel St. Thomas Church P.O Box 266 Thomas, West Virginia 26292

Rev. Everett Hemann All Saints Church 724 29th St. S.E. Cedar Rapids, Iowa 52403

We received word recently that Betty Conrad, wife of our dear friend Max, passed away at their home in Prescott, Arizona several months ago.

Our prayers and remembrances go out to you and your family at this time Max. Anyone wishing to write to Max can address the letter as follows:

> Max Conrad P.O. Box 2222 Prescott, Arizona 86301



CR in CR Central Region meets in Cedar Rapids

The NAPP Central Region met in Cedar Rapids, Iowa on May 3. Jim Duster and Justin Herzog planned the day and served as hosts. An informative tour of one of the Collins Radio facilities made up the business portion of the day. This was followed by dinner at the Amana Colonies.

Shown above are the 16 members present. The picture we forgot to take was one of the 6 Johns present.

The next meeting is scheduled for September in Byron, Minnesota.



Meet the JEMS

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On Friday evening, May 21, Everett Hemann was ordained in his home Parish, Visitation Church, Stacyville, Iowa. The following evening he was joined by his two brothers in a Concelebrated Mass of Thanksgiving.

Ev's ordination brings about an NAPP first as he is now the third NAPP member of the Hemann family. He has a commercial license and is anxious to get back at flying after being away from it for 15 years.

Pictured above are the three-John, Ev and Mel, concelebrating a late evening and very special "liturgy".

NAPP Convention Site



Home Base for Allegheny Stewardesses

Join us?

RESERVATION SHEET

The official NAPP Convention dates in PITTSBURG are Tuesday July 13 and Wednesday July 14. Host Jack Dompka has made all the arrangements and now awaits YOU.

If you are soming commercially you will be arriving at Greater Pittsburg Airport.

The frequencies are:

If you are coming by private plane arrangements have been made to land at Greater Pitt to unload passengers and baggage. (Only 5 minutes from Jack's Church). The planes will then be flown to Allegheny Co. Airport and parked there.

App. C. 090-269 = 118.7; Tower: 119.1 G.C.: 121.9 ATIS: 109.4; LOM:	270-089 = 124.
G.C.: 121.9	J23
Below is a sheet to be fill he will know how many to expect sheet is attached. Cost will b	be \$7.00 per night.
NAME	MAIL TO: Rev. John A. Dompl
ADDRESS	St. Margaret Mary Chur 108 S. Fatton Drive Caraspolis, Fd. 15108
I will be arriving on by	Phone 412-264-2573
Car	Commercial Lines
Private Plane	Airlimes
N	Flight
180	Time & Date
ROOM RESERVATIONS	3
July 12 July 13	July 14
If anyone wishes to remain	longer arrangements can be made.
\$10.00 Convention Deposit	Enclosed Pay on Arrival.

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