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Act like a Superhero

By Chief Master Sgt. Brian Bischoff
Air Force Reserve Command

LITTLE ROCK AIR FORCE BASE, Ark. (AFNS) -- I was recently picking up a few items at a local retail chain at lunchtime; everywhere I walked, someone wanted to shake my hand or say, "Thank you for your service." It made me proud to be wearing the uniform of the U.S. Air Force.

While waiting in the checkout lane, I noticed a little boy shopping with his mom was staring at me from his perch in the cart. I smiled and said "Hello," but he just kept staring.

His mom apologized and explained he was crazy about people in uniform, and his hero was Captain America. She said he watches the movie over and over and puts on a little uniform to defend the house.

"I think that's a good hero to have," I said. As I answered, it got me thinking we need to act more like superheroes.

OK, stick with me here. That doesn't mean that we should put on capes and masks and climb to the top of the roof to see what dastardly deeds need to be thwarted. Your spouse would most likely tell you to "Get down before you hurt yourself," and "Take off that getup before the neighbors see you."

What it does mean is we need be worthy of kids' admiration --

like a superhero. So, here are a few things about superheroes we need to know:

1. Superheroes never believe their own write-up. They are humble (except when fighting a bad guy) and neither flashy nor boastful. They save the day and retreat to their secret lair (office or flightline in our case).

2. Superheroes help people. Whether it's a neighbor needing help painting a fence, or the lady in the grocery store that can't quite reach that box of cereal, we need to lend a hand.

3. Superheroes are respectful towards the public. They use manners, say "Yes sir," or "Yes ma'am," and open doors for people at restaurants.

4. Superheroes live lives kids can look up to. They don't lie, cheat or misuse government credit cards. They set examples for other to follow, and they do the right thing even when no one is looking (sounds like "integrity" to me).

5. Superheroes are always there. They always have their friends' backs no matter what else is going on, even in the dark of night (sounds like "service before self").

6. Superheroes are in shape. Have you ever seen a chubby superhero? The bad guys would kick his butt! The public wouldn't have

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Airfield Management defends flightline from FOD



Staff Sgt. Jevon McBride, 509th Operation Support Squadron Airfield Management operation supervisor, prepares to use a measurement wheel, Feb.6. The measuring wheel calculates the distance between debris items on the flightline, and also measures the distance between a FOD area and a potential aircraft parking spot.

Story and photos by
Airman 1st Class Keenan Berry
509th Bomb Wing Public Affairs

Foreign object debris – it presents a constant threat to aircraft on the flightline. Simple mistakes, such as dropping a pencil or a single coin and failing to pick it up, can cause massive damage to an aircraft and put lives at risk.

To prevent such unfortunate events, the 509th Airfield Management shop performs daily "FOD walks" to remove asphalt, pieces of equipment, and various other debris items that could be in the area.

To conduct a FOD walk, personnel spread

out over a large area and walk in certain areas to make sure they are as clean as possible, said Staff Sgt. Jevon McBride, 509th Operation Support Squadron Airfield Management operation supervisor.

Believe it or not, airfield maintenance is not conducted solely by Airfield Management, either.

"Quarterly or semiannually, squadrons like the 509th Medical Group and the Command Post join us so they can get the exposure to FOD walks and how to do them," said Staff Sgt. Timothy Cole, 509th Operation Support Squadron Airfield Management operation supervisor. "They will know of the hazards out here and understand that the haz-

ard is real and serious."

When Airmen find FOD, they document the item on a special tracking sheet. This sheet is then given to either the wing safety, flight safety or ground safety office, who ultimately forward it to the commander at the Airfield Advisory Board, said McBride.

The importance of conducting these routine checks cannot be overstated.

It can take a long time to fix and replace objects once they have been damaged, said Cole.

"It can take a day for someone to fix something damaged on the flightline," said

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Airman 1st Class David Reddoch, 509th Logistics Readiness Squadron individual protective equipment technician, tests the fitting of a gas mask to ensure the valves have a proper seal, Feb. 7. In addition to providing serviceable gas masks, IPE technicians have a mission to ensure the base populace is outfitted with serviceable life-saving equipment for training and deployments.

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509th Bomb Wing and 442nd Fighter Wing African American/Black History Month committee are hosting their annual African American/Black History Month luncheon. Date is Thursday, 21 February 2013 from 1100-1300 at Mission's End. Keynote speaker is Col Theresa Rodriguez, 509th Medical Group Commander. Cost of ticket is \$13 for club members and \$15 for non-club members. For tickets please contact MSgt Rodney Brown, 509 LRS, at 687-5331.

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Col. Champagne's fini-flight

National Guard Photo by Staff Sgt. Sean Navarro

Col. Greg Champagne, 131st Bomb Wing Missouri Air National Guard wing commander, receives the traditional dousing with the fire house after his fini-flight aboard the B-2 "Spirit of America," Feb. 10. His wife, Cheri Champagne, and 131st Bomb Wing vice commander Col. Mike Francis ensure the job is done properly.

Francis named commander of 131st Bomb Wing

Col. Michael J. Francis has been named commander of the Missouri National Guard's 131st Bomb Wing at Whiteman Air Force Base.

Francis is ready to lead the 1,100-member wing, said Maj. Gen. Stephen Danner, adjutant general of the Missouri National Guard.

"Col. Francis is an exceptional leader and an outstanding Air National Guard officer," Maj. Gen. Stephen Danner, adjutant general of the Missouri National Guard said. "Under his command, the 131st will continue its legacy of success at Whiteman AFB, leading the way alongside the 509th Bomb Wing with the crucial B-2 Bomber mission."

Francis, who previously served as the wing's vice commander, will succeed the wing's current commander, Col. Gregory Champagne.

Francis began his career in the Air Force flying the F-15 Eagle, before transitioning to the Missouri Air National Guard. He has amassed over 3,000 hours in the F-15 and B-2, while serving in numerous leadership positions in both the operations and maintenance groups.

Additionally, Francis has a broad background of experience and assignments. He served as an F-15 instructor pilot during two operational tours with the 1st Fighter Wing, Langley AFB, Va., and the 18th Wing, Kadena Air Base, Japan, prior to joining the ANG. He has been a part of the wing for 15 years, leading as a commander at all levels.

Francis is a graduate of the United States Air Force Academy, Colo.

Missouri Guard names new assistant adjutant general-Air

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. — Missouri's adjutant general named a new assistant adjutant general-Air for the Missouri National Guard at the Ike Skelton Training Site on Sunday.

Maj. Gen. Steve Danner, the adjutant general, announced Col. Gregory Champagne, the current commander of the 131st Bomb Wing, will succeed retiring Air National Guard assistant adjutant general, Brig. Gen. Stephen D. Cotter.

"Col. Champagne is one of Missouri's most seasoned and respected Airmen," Danner said. "Throughout his career, he has demonstrated a repeated ability not only at leading Airmen, but at adapting to the times. With the 131st Bomb Wing, he has flown F-4s, F-15s, and now B-2s, and played a key role in that wing's transition from a fighter to a bomb wing."

Champagne is a veteran Missouri Air National Guard pilot with more than 3,100 flight

hours. He served in Operations Provide Comfort and Southern Watch. During Operation Iraqi Freedom, he commanded the 407th Air Expeditionary Group at Tallil Air Base. He is also an operational, fully-qualified B-2 Spirit pilot.

"It's quite the honor to be chosen by the adjutant general for this position," Champagne said. "I want to continue the great work that my predecessor, Brig. Gen. Cotter, has done. He's a great patriot. With the challenges the National Guard is facing, we want to make sure we are becoming even more relevant. The Guard has always evolved based on the needs of the country."

Champagne was instrumental in the 131st's transition from a fighter wing to a bomb wing, as the last fighter aircraft left the unit in 2009. Under Champagne's command, the wing has become a model of a successful classic associate mission with the active duty 509th Bomb

Wing, and is the only Air National Guard wing with a nuclear mission. The wing played a key role in Operation Odyssey Dawn, the air campaign over Libya, in 2011.

On Sunday, he completed his fini-flight, or final flight, at Whiteman Air Force Base.

"I've been with 131st my entire career," Champagne said. "The 131st has quite a history and has gone through quite the transition in the past seven years. Being wing commander was an honor."

Champagne received his commission through the Air National Guard's Academy of Military Science in 1981. He has served as an instructor pilot and commander, and has a distinguished career in flying operations, logistics and aircraft maintenance. He has also completed staff assignments on the wing level, as well as at National Guard Bureau.

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Prayer Breakfast feeds 'Hope and Service'



U.S. Air Force photo/Heidi Hunt

Command Chaplain (Col.) Steven L. Berry, Joint Special Operations Command chaplain and ordained minister, speaks to Team Whiteman during the National Prayer Breakfast, Feb. 8. Berry emphasized that there is hope and service regardless of where people may find themselves in any given circumstance.





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Airman 1st Class David Reddoch, 509th Logistics Readiness Squadron individual protective equipment technician, uses a fork-lift to help compile chemical gear for an inventory inspection, Feb. 7. Airmen in the IPE shop are responsible for inspecting and maintaining thousands of IPE items to ensure compliance with Air Force regulations.



IPE shop keeps Airmen safe

*U.S. Air Force photos/
Staff Sgt. Nick Wilson*

1. Airman 1st Class Jonathan Merry, 509th Logistics Readiness Squadron individual protective equipment technician, receives assistance from Airman 1st Class David Reddoch, 509th LRS IPE technician, while removing his protective gear, Feb. 7. The body armor helps protect Airmen from bullets and shrapnel during deployments in a combat zone.
2. Airman 1st Class David Reddoch, 509th Logistics

Readiness Squadron individual protective equipment technician, tests the fitting of body armor on Airman 1st Class Jonathan Merry, 509th LRS IPE technician, Feb. 7. IPE technicians ensure Airmen are properly protected during deployments and in cold-weather environments.

3. Airman 1st Class David Reddoch, 509th Logistics Readiness Squadron individual protective equipment technician, uses a fork-lift to retrieve chemical gear for an inventory inspection, Feb. 7. In addition to using heavy equipment, IPE technicians are also trained on a variety of tasks, including customer service and maintaining inventory items.

4. Airman 1st Class Jonathan Merry, 509th Logistics Readiness Squadron individual protective equipment technician, inspects an IPE item during an inventory inspection Jan. 31. IPE Airmen are responsible for ensuring Airmen are outfitted with serviceable life-saving equipment, for training and deployments.

5. Staff Sgt. Erica Oesterreicher, 509th Logistics Readiness Squadron individual protective equipment technician, annotates the status of protective equipment on an inventory sheet, Feb. 7. IPE technicians are responsible for the status and accountability of thousands of inventory items each fiscal year.

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Airman 1st Class Jonathan Merry, 509th Logistics Readiness Squadron individual protective equipment technician, tests the fitting of a gas mask to ensure the valves have a proper seal, Feb. 7. A loose seal could mean the difference between life and death for an Airman under a chemical attack, according to Merry.

From the Frontlines: Staff Sgt. Amanda Padgett

By Staff Sgt. Jason Huddleston
509th Bomb Wing Public Affairs

The Air Force offers Airmen many opportunities to journey across the world. For Staff Sgt. Amanda Padgett, 325th Weapons Squadron intelligence analyst, that journey took her to Afghanistan.

Padgett left in February 2012 and is scheduled to return in March 2013, and is currently working downrange as a human intelligence analyst. As a HUMINT analyst, Padgett supports interrogations and conducts research of detainee placements and access to fulfill national intelligence requirements.

“Our job is to research and review analyst comments on outgoing reporting, the collection priorities of each Regional Command and any products developed on specific detainees,” Padgett said.

Her mission is to provide collection focuses to interrogators, identify and list collection requirements, and conduct predictive and deductive analysis, she said.

“I’ve never worked in the human intelligence field, so having this experience will expand my intelligence background and take the knowledge gained here to other offices in the future,” Padgett said.

Padgett has not only gained experience in supporting human intelligence operations at a national level, however, as a senior intelligence analyst, she has also had the privilege of learn-

ing to manage personnel.

While deployed, she has achieved more than expected. Since joining her deployed team, she has moved from the position of standard analyst to that of senior analyst, and she has also completed eight classes towards her bachelor’s degree in business management. Padgett is now half way done with the course.

From researching and reviewing analyst comments, to providing collection focuses to interrogators, her deployed mission is completely different than her mission at Whiteman, where she helps support flying operations.

In addition to supporting interrogations and conducting research on detainees, Padgett has volunteered her time to pack school supplies for the children of Afghanistan.

“It’s a good feeling to contribute to the well-being and education of the Afghan children,” she said. “At the same time, it was sad to realize how deprived the children are in Afghanistan.”

She has experienced struggles faced by many other leaders in a joint environment – leading individuals from other branches, and having to gain their respect before being fully backed by their leadership, she said.

Even though Padgett enjoyed her deployment, there were still things she missed besides friends and family.

“I miss freedom the most,” Padgett said.

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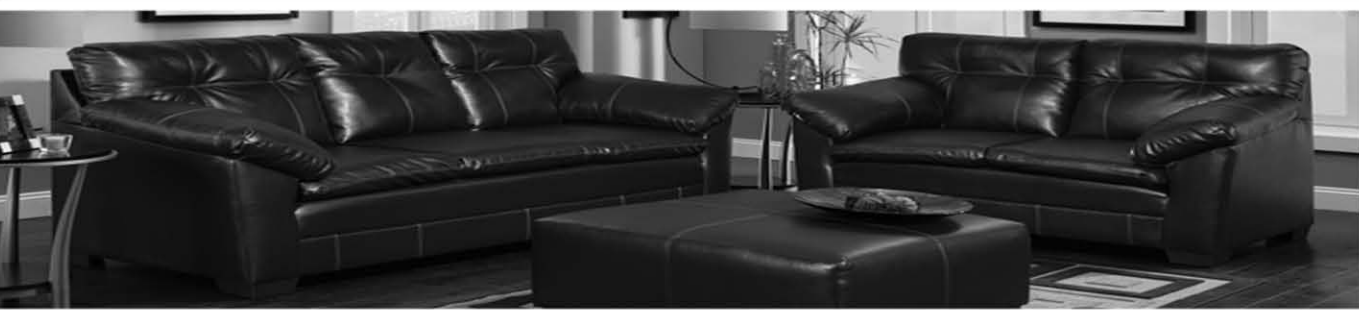
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Dental technicians on the grind!

Story and photos by Staff Sgt. Nick Wilson
509th Bomb Wing Public Affairs

Drilling, grinding, and rinsing are part of the mission dental technicians from the 509th Medical Operations Squadron complete every day.

The 509th MDOS dental technicians help provide quality dental care to more than 4,000 patients on base each year, and they provide care for all active duty, Air National Guard and reservists on orders.

"Clean teeth and healthy gums mean more than just a nice smile," said Tech. Sgt. Terina Waiganjo, 509th MDOS dental technician. "You will cut down on tartar, plaque, cavities, gingivitis and bone loss. All are signs of an unhealthy mouth and could cause diseases."

One of the benefits of airmen receiving quality dental care is that it ensures their combat readiness. If airmen suffer from certain dental issues, they could possibly not be able to deploy, said Staff Sgt. Crystal Rucker, 509th Medical Operations Squadron dental technician.

"The preventive dentistry we perform keeps us fit to fight, and it keeps us going downrange without any problems," Waiganjo said.

One reason members must visit the dental flight before deployments is the high risk of possible emergency treatment or oral diseases going untreated due to individuals not taking care of their teeth while overseas, she said.

To prevent harmful oral infections, dental technicians advise patients to maintain a healthy diet, brush after every meal and floss daily, said Rucker. Having a healthy mouth can prevent issues later down the road.

"A critical contributing factor in completing the mission is maintaining good oral hygiene," Waiganjo said. "Regular oral examinations help diagnose existing diseases to prevent future diseases from occurring."

Trained on a wide range of tasks, dental technicians are responsible for everything from scheduling and confirming patient appointments, to taking dental X-rays, to preparing patients for other dental procedures, said Waiganjo.

"Dental assistants are multi-skilled and very important members of the dental health team," Waiganjo said. "We're all dedicated to assisting dentists with all phases of dentistry."

Providing care for all airmen on base allows technicians to meet people from all walks of life, she said.

"The most fun is having the opportunity to meet different people and see the different types of personalities everyday," Waiganjo said.

Helping patients leave with a new understanding about oral care, and knowing they received the best care possible, is one of the most satisfying aspects of the job, said Rucker.

"It can be incredibly rewarding to help people improve or maintain their oral health because it often has a large impact on their overall well-being," Waiganjo said. "Dental assisting is also in high demand on the outside, so finding a job after the military should be easy."

The job itself is not always easy, however. A major challenge dental technicians face is the physical burden of spending most of their time standing.

"The work can be physically demanding, especially on your feet, back, neck, shoulders, wrists and hands," Waiganjo said. "Safety is also a big concern, since dental assistants work around blood, saliva, infectious diseases and hazardous materials and equipment."

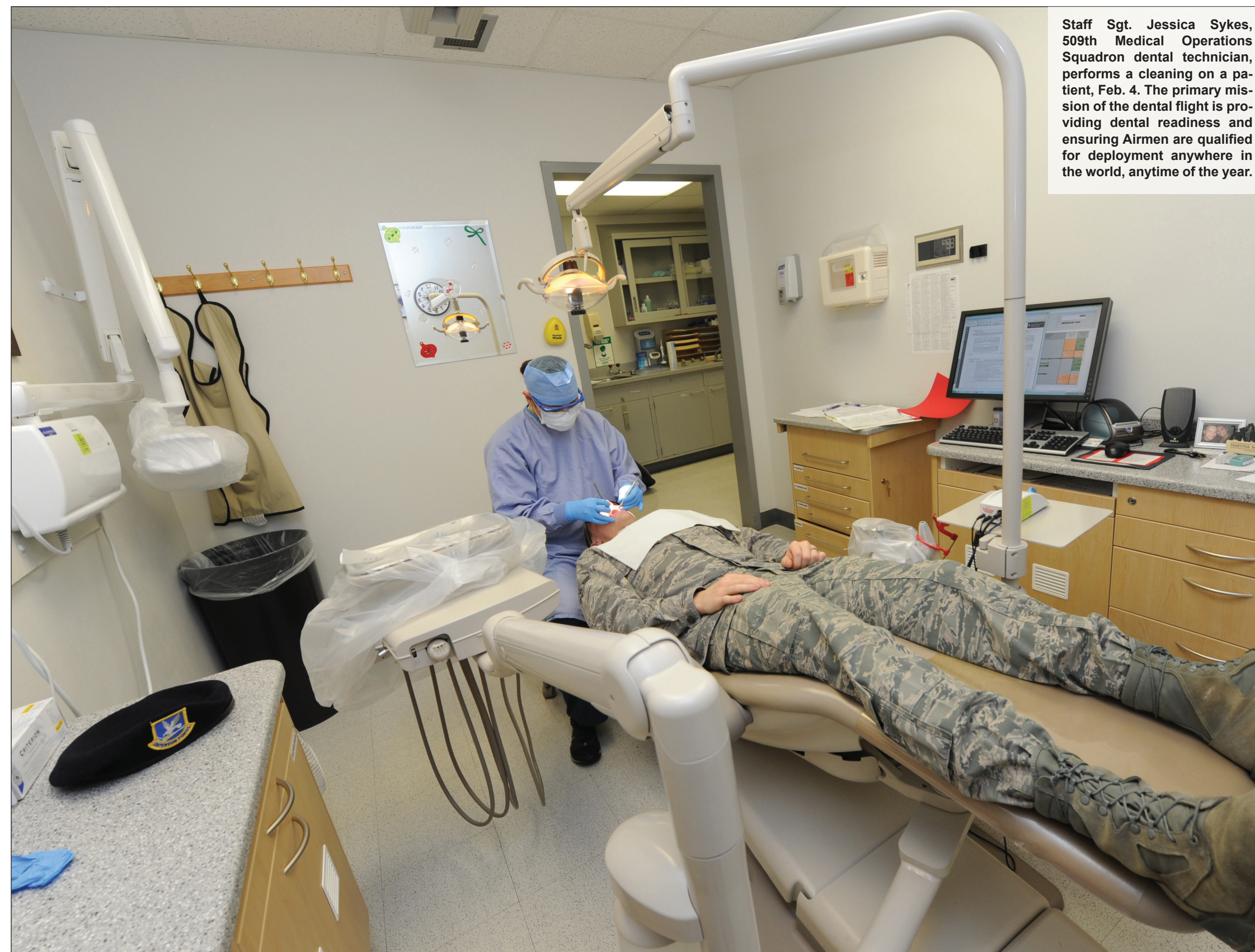
Given that annual dental visits can run about \$300, the 509th MDOS spends an average of \$2.6 million to take care of its thousands of annual dental appointments. This keeps dental technicians very busy year-round, said Waiganjo.

"A surgery procedure could easily cost about \$2,000," Rucker said.

Whether assisting with an annual examination or aiding a root canal procedure, the 509th MDOS dental technicians are constantly polishing, picking and cleaning to keep Whiteman's mission going.

"Our primary job is dental readiness and ensuring airmen are worldwide qualified for deployment throughout the year," said Master Sgt. Ricky Cabugao, 509th MDOS acting dental flight NCOIC. "We take pride in doing that by providing the best dental care possible."

Staff Sgt. Jessica Sykes, 509th Medical Operations Squadron dental technician, performs a cleaning on a patient, Feb. 4. The primary mission of the dental flight is providing dental readiness and ensuring Airmen are qualified for deployment anywhere in the world, anytime of the year.



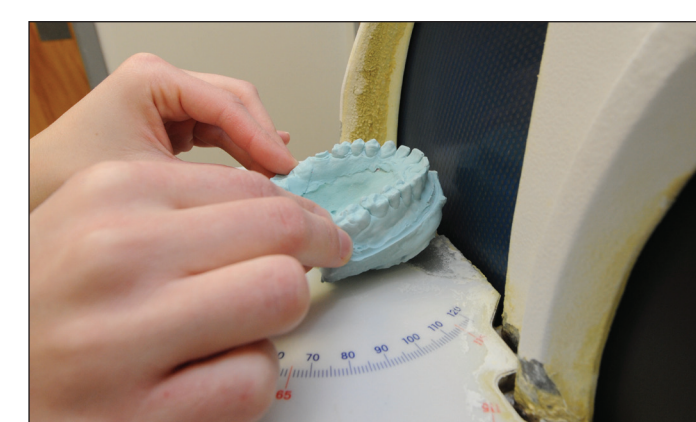
Staff Sgt. Jessica Sykes, 509th Medical Operations Squadron dental technician, performs a dental X-ray examination for a patient, Jan. 4. The X-ray helps dentists identify tooth decay and determine bone health.



Staff Sgt. Jessica Sykes, 509th Medical Operations Squadron dental technician, uses a microscope to polish a temporary crown, Feb. 4. Temporary crowns are used as a protective covering for teeth.



Staff Sgt. Jessica Sykes, 509th Medical Operations Squadron dental technician, updates a patient's record as Dr. (Capt.) Nicholas Polczynski, 509th MDOS dentist, performs an exam, Feb. 4. It costs the 509th MDOS an average of \$2.6 million to conduct dental appointments each year.



Staff Sgt. Crystal Rucker, 509th Medical Operations Squadron dental technician, uses a model trimmer to trim a cast, Feb. 4. A cast is a model of a patient's teeth.

Staff Sgt. Crystal Rucker, 509th Medical Operations Squadron dental technician, rinses out the trap of a dental chair, Feb. 4. The trap is used to catch big chunks of debris from patients' mouths.



Tech. Sgts. Terina Waiganjo and Teronda Hunter, 509th Medical Operations Squadron dental technicians, verify a patient's status after an appointment, Feb. 4. X-rays like the one shown help dentists identify current and impending issues with patients' teeth.

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"Having freedom to go home to attend holidays and enjoy weekends."

Overall the deployment to Afghanistan has been a solid learning experience for Padgett.

"Padgett was hand-picked by the Strategic Debriefing Center to be the Senior Intelligence Analyst. It is a very extensive and demanding operation where she performs beautifully," said Tech. Sgt. Andrew Gay, SDC Team Leader. "She won NCO of the month while deployed and was coined by the Defense Intelligence Agency multiple times.

"She has published numerous documents - Primacy Directive, SDC Operating Directive and the Collection Focus and Criteria for Interrogations Operations for [Afghanistan]; these publications have directly impacted the

Afghan theater and have caused great leaps with the way ahead for the future of interrogation operations in the [Afghanistan] AOR," Gay said.

Padgett's experience shows how just one Airmen can be a vital asset in protecting the nation, and she has provided valuable intelligence analysis which has guided successful joint operations with Special Forces.

"The best part about my deployed job was the overall experience and working with the different services," Padgett said. "It was a good experience. I had the opportunity to see how the Army, Navy and Air Force operate differently from each other. Despite the differences, people can come together to get the job done."

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Champagne's military awards include the Bronze Star Medal, Meritorious Service Medal with two oak leaf clusters, the Air Force Commendation Medal, the Army Commendation Medal, Air Force Achievement Medal, Joint Meritorious Unit Award and the Air Force Outstanding Unit Award.

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Tech. Sgt. Jessica Hildebrand, 509th Communications Squadron NCO In Charge Wing Information Assurance Office, opens the COMSEC vault door, Feb. 11. The WIAO shop is a workcenter with five first term airmen and only one NCOIC.

**Story and photos by
Airman 1st Class Bryan Crane**
509th Bomb Wing Public Affairs

In July 2010, the Natanz nuclear harnessing facility in central Iran – the site of a large portion of Iran’s uranium enrichment

– randomly initiated emergency cooling procedures on 3,900 of the facility’s 4,700 centrifuges. The rapid decline in temperature triggered an emergency shutdown of the facility, and the 3,900 centrifuges had to be replaced.

The cyber attack, known as Stuxnet, set

Iranian nuclear aspirations back upwards of six months. The creator of Stuxnet is still unknown, but the ability to attack and potentially cripple an enemy without putting a single individual in harm’s way shows the power of a technological advancement in warfare never before explored.

In the newly released Congressional Budget for Military Affairs, only two major entities received a significant increase in funding. One of those was the cyber warfare branch of the Department of Defense.

The abundance of cyber warfare across the DOD has changed the vision and goals of every Communications and Information Technology Airman over the past five years.

“In no work center at Whiteman Air Force Base is this more visible than the Wing Information Assurance Office,” said Marcus Tenenbaum, 509th Communications Squadron Quality Assurance flight commander.

The 509th Communications Squadron’s Wing Information Assurance Office (WIAO) processes more requests for cryptographic materials and communications security checks than all but one base in Air Force Global Strike Command. The shop, a workcenter with five first-term Airmen and only one NCO, faces dual goals in a rapidly changing communications landscape.

“Although we are undermanned, it doesn’t stop us from completing the mission, and completing it at a high level,” said Tech. Sgt. Jessica Hildebrand, 509th CS Wing Information Office NCOIC.

The WIAO’s main mission is to continue to keep Whiteman as secure as possible.

“We make sure that nobody hacks into our networks,” said Hildebrand. “We make sure our base stays safe and secure at all times.”

“We identify threats,” she said. “And we resolve any that may come through to us.”

In addition to providing the proper guidelines for cyber defense on all Whiteman networks, the shop is responsible for providing all cryptographic materials to the base populace.

Every single time the B-2 Spirit takes off, there are 10 COMSEC items provided by the WIAO shop which guarantee the protection of the missions carried out by the operators in the air. All secret and top-secret communications on base are certified by the WIAO Airmen.

“This could include something as simple as a conversation in Brig. Gen. Bussiere’s office, to something far more sensitive, like the security of the vault the Intel work-center uses,” said Hildebrand.

As the use of cyber warfare increases on a national level, Air Force leaders made the decision to establish a numbered Air Force dedicated solely to cyber attack and defense. The Wing Information Assurance Office receives much of their guidance from this new entity – the 24th Air Force.

The 24th Air Force is the operational warfighting organization that establishes, operates, maintains and defends Air Force networks to ensure warfighters can maintain the information advantage as U.S. forces prosecute military operations around the world, according to the unit’s official fact sheet.

The changing landscape of warfare is visible at every level, including right here at Whiteman Air Force Base. The Wing Information Assurance Office is only one of the evolving entities changing the dynamics of the modern-day steely eyed warrior-Airmen.

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Cole. “For broken pavement, if the person uses concrete, instead of quick-fix, it can take a couple of hours to break out; it can take another day or two to cure [and] seal up enough to where the aircraft can roll on it.”

Foreign debris can also cause a massive amount of damage to aircraft.

The amount of damage is often dependent on the aircraft involved, said Cole.

“Anything that runs low to the ground,

like an F-16, FOD can tear up the engine, costing several hundreds, thousands, or even millions of dollars...” he said. “With the B-2, a chunk of rock may slow it down, but it will not stop it necessarily because of its size.”

The threat of putting personnel at risk and incurring additional expenses is the motivating factor for these checks, which are performed every two hours. They are con-

ducted on vehicles, as well, to prevent any hindrance to the mission, said Cole.

Airfield Management completes checks on and off the flightline, and they strive to encourage Team Whiteman to ensure they do not miss any possible items, McBride said.

Safety and maintenance crews keep track of how many aircraft have been damaged, and how much each incident cost.

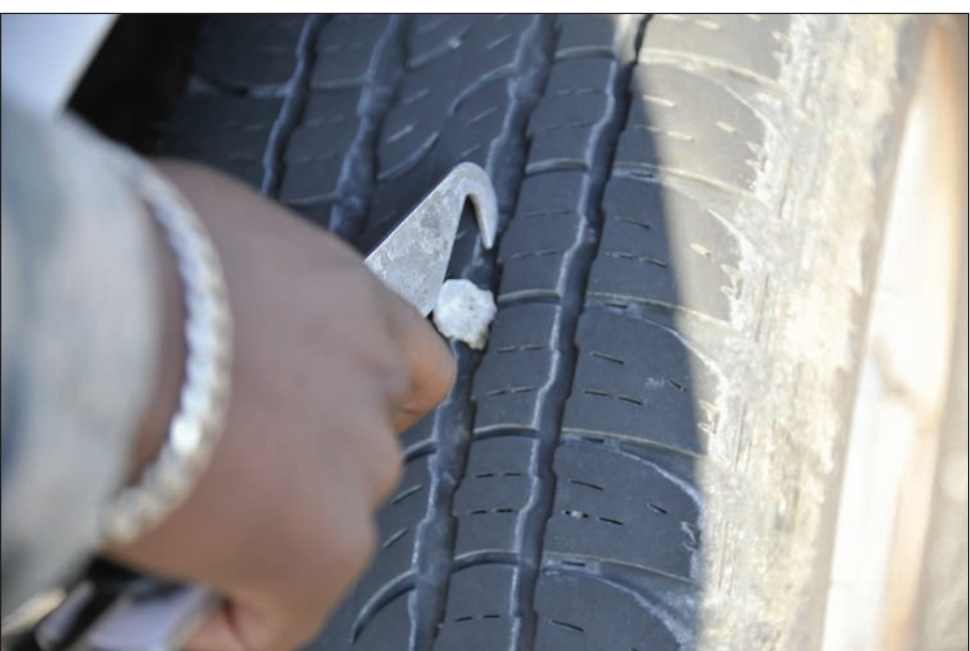
Both men agree that working to keep the

runway safe and clear for America’s premier stealth bomber and the other aircraft at Whiteman is an invigorating job.

Personal interaction is one of the interesting parts of the job, McBride said.

“Working with pilots and maintainers, and learning about their job can be very exciting,” said Cole.

“Getting out of the office and on to the runway is thrilling.”



Staff Sgt. Jevon McBride, 509th Operation Support Squadron Airfield Management operation supervisor, uses a FOD key on a tire, Feb. 6. This key is used to remove FOD from objects, such as tires, to ensure no FOD is transported onto the flightline by accident.



Staff Sgt. Timothy Cole, 509th Operation Support Squadron Airfield Management operation supervisor, inspects a spall, Feb. 6. A spall is a defect in the concrete surface caused by erosion or strong vehicle use; as it starts to deteriorate, the concrete starts to break into small pieces, creating FOD.

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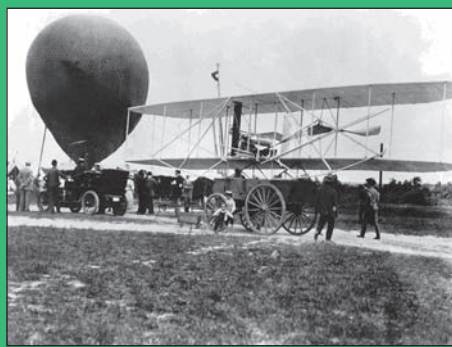
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509 Bomb Wing Historian

10 Feb 1908: the Wright Brothers signed a contract with the U.S. Army Signal Corps promising to deliver a flying machine that would meet the requirements outlined in Specification 486. The Specification, which had slightly different requirements for a nonrigid dirigible that the Army also purchased in 1908, mandated the airplane would carry a load of 350 pounds for a non-stop flight of at least 125 miles. It had to be "controllable in flight in any direction," and maintain a speed of 40 miles an hour (with penalties if the aircraft flew between 36 and 39 MPH, and bonuses paid for each mile faster than 40). Finally, the aircraft had to be able to land undamaged in a field that had not been

specially prepared, and was expected to be assembled in 1 hour and transportable by standard Army wagons.

The first Wright Army plane was delivered to Fort Meyer, Virginia later that year (picture below in public domain).



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much confidence in an out-of-shape superhero, would they?

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