

# 3750 USAF HOSPITAL

## MISSION

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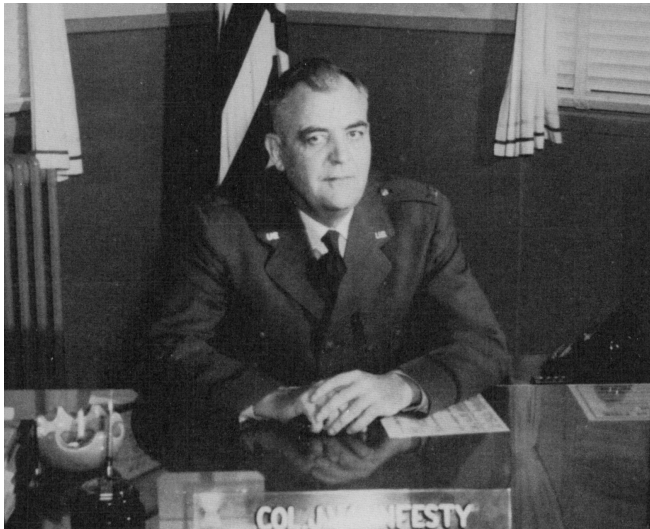
3750 Medical Squadron  
3750 Station Medical Squadron  
3750 Medical Group  
3750 USAF Hospital

## STATIONS

Sheppard AFB, TX

## ASSIGNMENTS

## COMMANDERS



Col John W. Linfesty

## HONORS

Service Streamers

## **Campaign Streamers**

## **Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers**

## **Decorations**

## **EMBLEM**

## **MOTTO**

## **OPERATIONS**

Sheppard Air Force Base, the hub of U.S. Air Force mechanics training, is now the air arm's specialized medical center for the Central United States.

The 3750th USAF Hospital, with an authorized bed capacity of 680, consists of 116 buildings with two miles of connecting corridors covering an area of 41 acres. It is located three miles north of Wichita Falls and adjacent to U.S. Highway 281.

It was designated by the Surgeon General, United States Air Force, as a specialty treatment center for 23 specialties. It serves the southwest and receives patients from the entire United States as well as many overseas bases.

Since the reactivation of the base in August 1948 approximately \$660,000 worth of repair and new construction have put the hospital buildings in tip-top shape to handle the huge patient load. This work has been done by the J. L. Hair and Sons Construction Company of Wichita Falls. The hospital furnishes complete medical, surgical and dental care as provided for by the Department of Defense and Air Force Directives, for all military personnel and their dependents at Sheppard AFB and the surrounding area.

The staff consists of professional and administrative divisions, these being further divided into services and sections of services.

Assigned to the hospital at the present time are 50 doctors, 29 dentists, 87 nurses, one veterinary, 10 women medical specialists (dietitians, occupational therapists and physiotherapists), and 18 Medical Corps officers.

Expert professional consultants make regular visits to the hospital for consultations, ward rounds and staff meetings, to round out a professional program of the highest standard.

The out-patient and clinic services warrant special mention for the intense program of examination and treatment carried out daily. Dependents of military personnel have access to the same program by appointment in the Dependents Clinic and emergency service is always available to all personnel.

Clinics are open in Dermatology, Internal Medicine, Neuropsychiatry, Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat, OB Gyn, Pediatrics, Physical and Occupational Therapy, General Surgery, Orthopedics, Plastic Surgery and Urology.

In addition to the excellent professional care afforded by the hospital many and varied administrative details require the services of a great number of people.

Keeping complete medical records of all out-patient visits and treatments, housing and feeding of all single military personnel on duty with the organization, are major problems handled with a staff of dietetic personnel, regular food service personnel, cooks, butchers and attendants.

The Medical Supply Section has an extremely important role in the Administration Division with thousands of items of supply and equipment in stock at all times. These items include drugs, biologicals, surgical dressings, instruments, laboratory supplies and equipment, dental supplies and equipment, X-ray material, furniture, bedding, linen, patients' hospital clothing along with the care and operation of complete repair shops for these articles.

The Physical Medicine service affords consultations in physical medicine and active clinics in both physical and occupational therapy. Diagnostic and therapeutic equipment are also included for a complete physical medicine service.

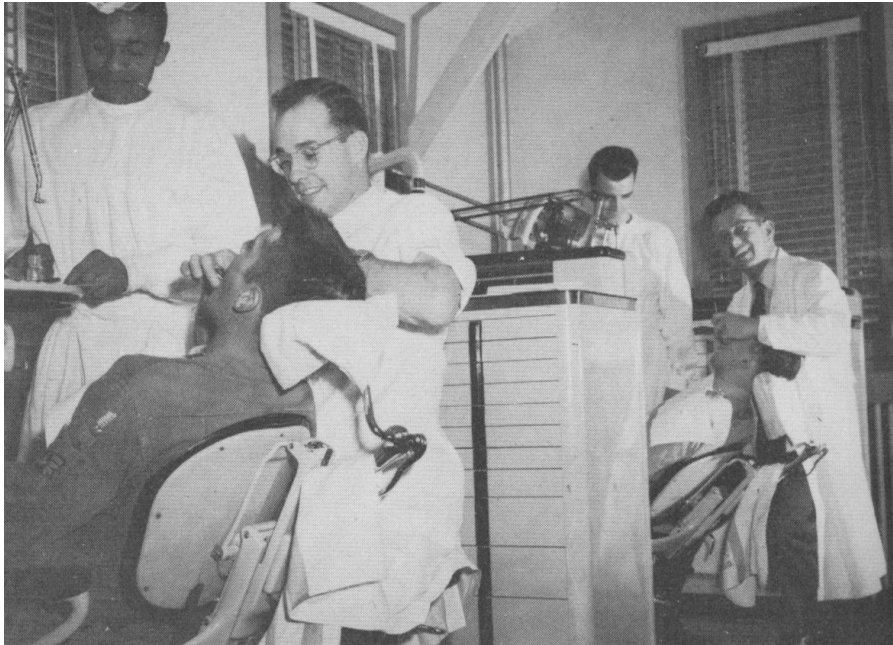
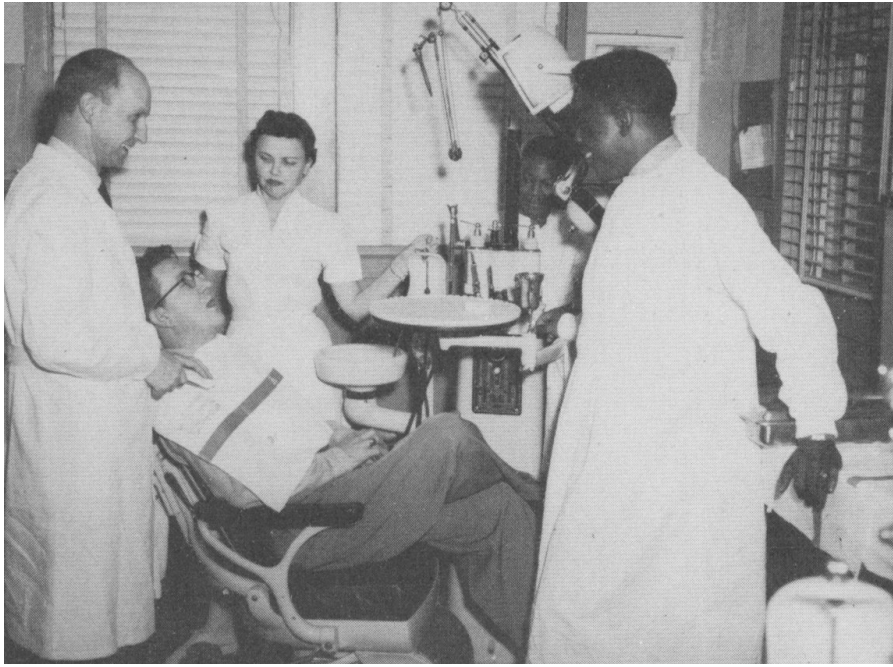
An orthopedic brace shop provides all orthopedic braces and orthopedic shoe corrections are made at the hospital.

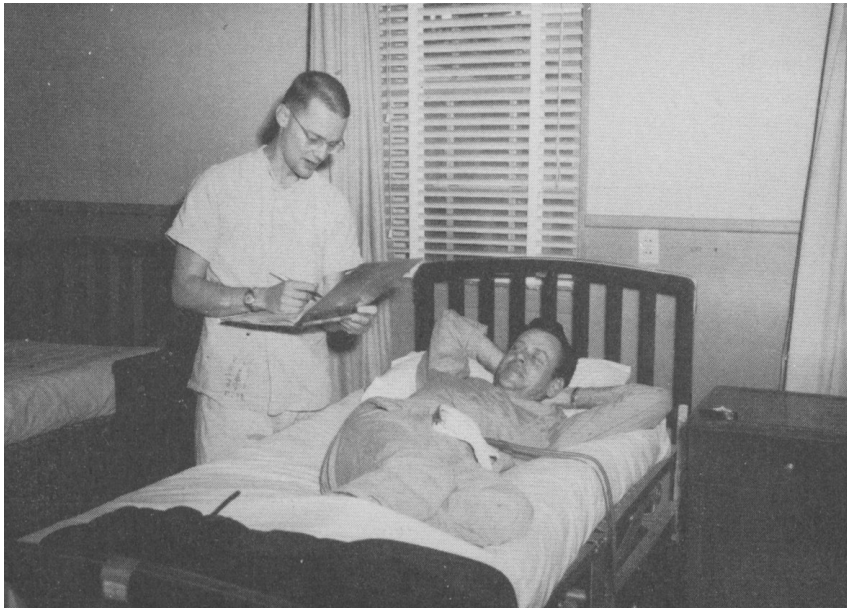
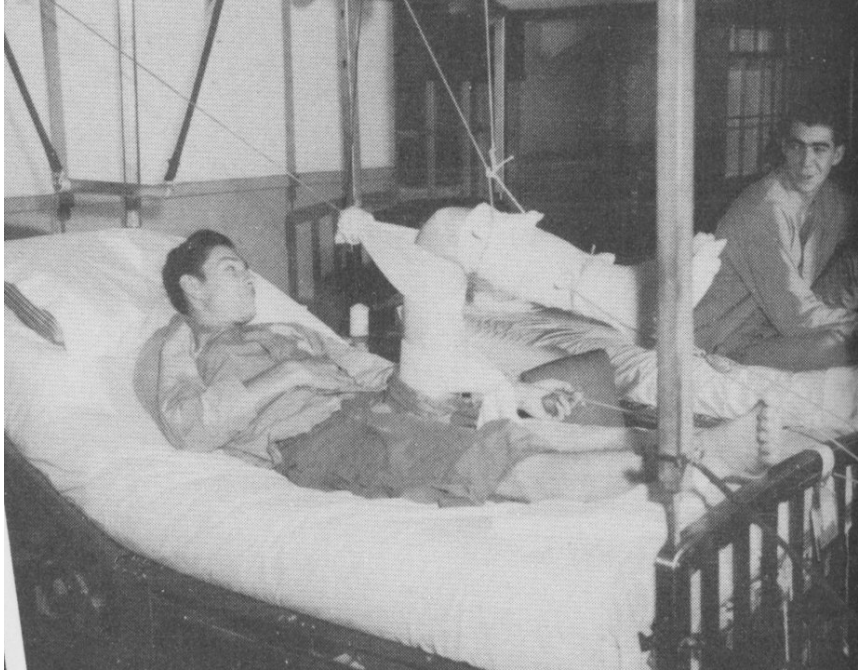
The hospital has an excellent chapel with a daily and weekly service for patients and personnel on duty. A daily devotional program is carried over the hospital radio system to all wards. The Skytones, an airmen's male chorus, also entertains daily. The latest news and information along with popular programs all provided by the base radio station KCVH are piped to patients in all wards.

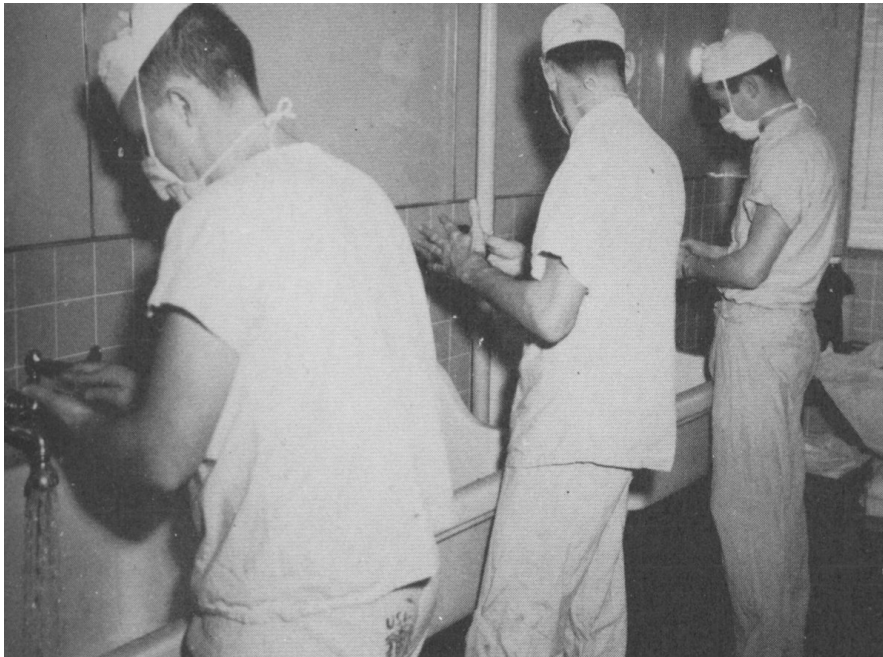
The American Red Cross has several full time employees on duty at the hospital while many of the Wichita County Units perform voluntary duty at the hospital, by providing books, giving programs, making purchases at the base exchange, writing letters and other functions.

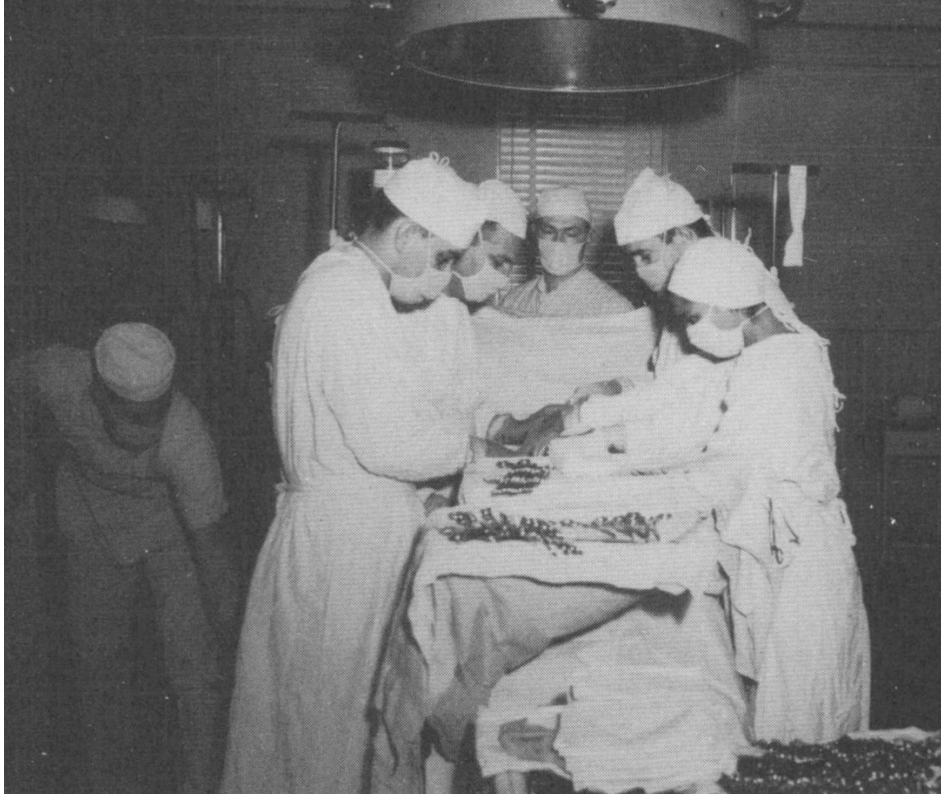
Early in the Korean War the hospital was named as an official Armed Forces Blood Donor Center and since that time has provided its weekly quota many times over. The hospital employs many citizens of Wichita Falls and vicinity in professional and non-professional capacities: nurses, technicians, stenographers, clerks, hygienists, cooks and many others in permanent and temporary positions.

The 3750th USAF Hospital, in the tradition of the Air Force, is staffed and equipped to care for its own, and they are assured of immediate and adequate medical treatment.



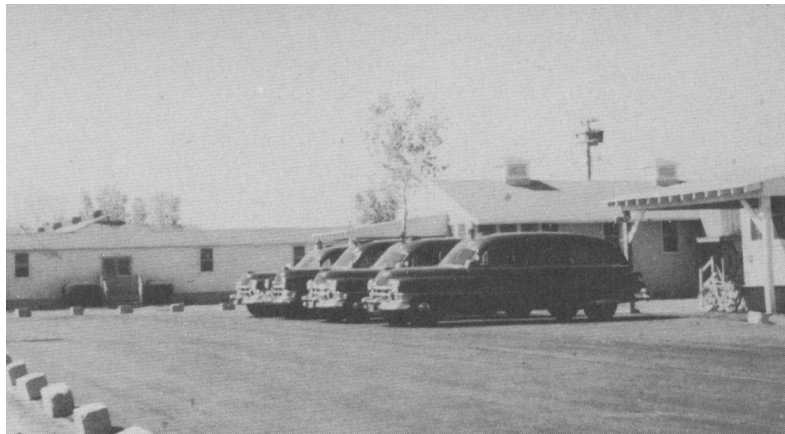












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