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Plans For 5-6 Mar Conference Announced

"We have an outstanding program in the works for the Association members who attend our 40th Annual Conference in March, and I truly expect the greatest attendance we have ever had!" so stated MAJ JOHN B. CONAWAY, KYANG, who is this year's chairman of the Conference Planning Committee for the Association.

Planning for the conference is in its final stages now and preliminary announcements have already been made about the conference which is set to be held at the Stauffer's Louisville Inn on 5-6 March 1971.

The President's Reception will be the opening event of the conference, starting at 8 pm Friday.

The men can attend a business session on Saturday morning and the ladies are invited to attend an early lunch at Louisville's swank Hunting Creek Country Club. The latest fashions will be shown as only the Shillito Stores can do. After the luncheon, the ladies will have the option of shopping in the largest Mall in Kentucky, the Oxmoor Mall, where Shillitos, Stewart's, and Bycks, are based along with 69 other stores, or they may return to Stauffers, to follow a schedule of their own.

On Saturday evening, the Banquet and Military Ball will follow a dutch hospitality hour. A contract is being arranged with one of Louisville's better orchestras for four hours of danceable music beginning at 9 pm.

Hawaii For Field Training

Yep! and in January. The "Prime Beef" team of the 123d Civil Engineering Flights (Ky ANG) is conducting their field training at Barking Sands on the island of Kauai, 9-23 January 1971. Sixty-three members, commanded by Major William Seiber, and necessary equipment were airlifted there by the Tenn ANG in C-124 transport aircraft. They spent twelve days constructing two complete wooden structures at the Barking Sands Military Reservation. These buildings were used as open bay barracks at the training site.

The "Prime Beef" team is a well trained, highly mobile unit. Their T/A (that's TDA in Army talk) authorizes equipment to build almost anything, including preparation and grading of land. Five members of this team were sent to Grissom AFB, Ind. to dismatle B-58 shelters during period 4-17 Apr 1970. Twenty-eight members participated in a "Red Horse" exercise at Eglin AFB, Florida, Jun 22-26, 1970. It's not all vacation sites for them—they lived in tents and ate out of field ration mess.

Council Recommends Early Allocation Of Delegates To Hawaii



EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETS—Twenty two Guardsmen form the Executive Council for the National Guard Association of Kentucky. In the above photos, Association President, MAJ Billy G. Wellman, standing left, conducts the business meeting while other council members listen. In the right photo, CPT Tebbs Moore, representing 103d S & S Bn; MAJ Bob Watson, XXIII Corps Army and LTC Gerald F. Price, 149th Armor Group, scrutinize the Association's financial report. Nineteen council members were present for the 5 January meeting in Frankfort, pictured above, continuing to establish a remarkable attendance record for such meetings. The Kentucky council's attendance record is envied by many other state associations, some of whom report considerable difficulty in obtaining a quorum. (Photos by Steve Mitchell, Kentucky Department of Public Information)

CSM WILLIAMS PRESENTED FAITHFUL SERVICE MEDAL

CSM MARION F. WILLIAMS, St. Matthews, was recently awarded the Kentucky 30 Year Faithful Service Medal by MG LARRY C. DAWSON, The Adjutant General.

WILLIAMS, Senior Command Sergeant Major for the Kentucky Army National Guard, received the medal for 30 years continuous active and inactive service in the United States Army and the Kentucky Army National Guard.

MG DAWSON, presenting the medal during official ceremonies at the National Guard Armory in Frankfort, commended CSM WILLIAMS for his faithful service, noting that he has served in the Guard since 1938, which includes three active duty tours of Federal Service.

During WWII, he served in the Southern Phillipines and Luzon campaigns.

An Examiner for the United States Property and Fiscal Office in Frankfort, WILLIAMS is a 1939 graduate of Dupont Manual Training High School in Louisville. He has served on the Jefferson County Government Council, is presently a member of the Kentucky National Guard Association Insurance Committee, and serves on the Adjutant General's Promotion Board for senior non-commissioned officers.

Medals and awards received by CSM WILLIAMS include the Good Conduct Medal, American Defense Service Medal, Army Commendation Medal, Asiatic-Pacific Medal with two bronze stars, Philippine Liberation Medal with one bronze star, WWII Victory Medal, Armed Forces Reserve Ribbon with two 10 year devices, Kentucky Distinguished Service Medal, Kentucky Medal for Merit, Kentucky Commendation Ribbon, and the Kentucky Active Duty Ribbon.

Scholarship Fund Under Investigation

The President of the Kentucky National Guard Association has formed a committee to investigate the establishment of a Guard Association sponsored College Scholarship Educational Fund for the children of deceased, disabled and deserving Kentucky Guardsmen. This program would provide scholarships, loans and grants for qualifying students otherwise unable to attend college. Through this program, active Guardsmen can express their thanks to an earlier generation of Guardsmen and at the same time, build a foundation from which their own children may benefit. A Kentucky Guard benefit which will stay at home.

In the last several years, a number of Kentucky Guardsmen have met death or disability under civilian as well as military circumstances. This plan, while not intended to be similar to an insurance benefit, will provide a vehicle through which the Kentucky Guard can officially recognize the contribution of one of its own, by offering his child the benefit of further education and improved opportunity.

This program will be a sustaining one. Income for the program would come from Association grants, unit fund raising activities such as raffles, dances, etc., and from outright donations from individuals, organizations and educational institutions themselves. It is expected that most recipients will have an interest-free, long term loan as opposed to an outright gift, thus insuring a continuing opportunity for the next deserving individual. After several years it is conceivable that the program could be assisting ten or more individuals each year.

The members of this recently established Scholarship Committee have discussed the plan in some detail with a small number of Guardsmen of all ranks, with response being almost universally enthusiastic. Since this proposed program is "All Guard" however, the Committee would like to hear from all Guardsmen who will offer ideas and constructive criticism.

All replies should be received by 15 February so they may be

compiled and presented to the 40th Annual Kentucky NGA Conference in March. Please direct your comments to:

2LT RAYMOND C. SCHULTE, JR.
Vice-President—Army
8209 Michael Ray Drive
Louisville, Kentucky 40219

Ky Air Guard Receives Outstanding Unit Award

On November 3, 1970, the Secretary of the Air Force announced the award of the Air Force Outstanding Unit Award to the 123d Tactical Reconnaissance Wing.

The Order of Announcement reads: "The 123d Tactical Reconnaissance Wing (Tactical Air Command) is awarded the Air Force Outstanding Unit Award for exceptionally meritorious service in support of military operations from 26 Jun 68 to 9 Jun 69. The following units share in the award for the same period except as otherwise indicated:"

The units indicated include the following Tactical Reconnaissance Groups, their tactical squadrons and support units:

123d Tac Recon Gp, Kentucky Air National Guard
152d Tac Recon Gp, Nevada Air National Guard
189th Tac Recon Gp, Arkansas Air National Guard

The 123d Tac Recon Wing was commanded by Brig Gen Jack H Owen of Cynthiana. The 123d Tac Recon Gp was commanded by Col Lawrence A. Quebbeman.


Headquarters, 123d Tactical Reconnaissance Wing, Shewmaker Air National Guard Base, Louisville, Ky, and the three Groups were called to Active Duty during the "Pueblo Crisis." These units, and their members performed duty in Japan, Korea, Vietnam, Alaska, Panama, Thailand and many other areas throughout the world. These Air Guardsmen received, and richly deserved, many awards and commendations for their outstanding achievements. Many individuals endured personal hardships while serving their country, but they SERVED—willingly and to the utmost of their capabilities.

Congratulations to all personnel for reflecting great credit not only on themselves but on the Commonwealth of Kentucky and the National Guard.

The Executive Council of the National Guard Association of Kentucky met on 5 January at the Holiday Inn, Frankfort. During the meeting, which lasted exactly two hours, the Executive Council:

- Voted to accept a financial statement prepared by LTC Taylor for the period 1 April 1970 to 18 December 1970, which showed a bank balance of \$5,356.08, as we enter the preparation for the annual conference.
- Made a recommendation to The Adjutant General that delegate spaces for the 93rd Conference in Hawaii be made as soon as possible using the same formula as used for the 92nd Conference.
- Recognized the appointment of LTC Armando J. Alfaro to represent the 138th Artillery Group units, and LTC Shelby T. Bush to represent the 5-138th Artillery on the Council.
- Appointed LTC Armando J. Alfaro, the be Chairman of the Committee on Public Relations, in addition to his duties as Editor of *The Kentucky Guardsman*.
- Heard and approved a report that the Insurance Program had a decrease of 49 in enrollment to a total of 2139 now participating.
- Reviewed a list of names of persons who have yet to pay their FY 1971 Membership dues.
- Was advised that the by-laws were being drafted for the Scholarship Fund.
- Voted that the military uniform would be required for the business session at our 40th Annual NGAKy Conference to be held in Louisville in March.
- Heard reports from the Committees on Public Relations, Resolutions, and Conference Planning for the 40th Annual NGAKy Conference.





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GUARDSMEN TO WEAR SERVICE BARS

Army National Guardsmen are now eligible to wear service stripes on their uniforms just like their active duty counterparts, the Pentagon recently stated.

In a worldwide message, the Army said enlisted guardsmen are authorized to wear one service stripe for each three years of satisfactory active duty or active reserve service.

"These stripes will be of the same design and color as those now worn by active Army personnel," the message told the field.

The Army said Regulation 670-5 has been amended to permit service stripe wear by "enlisted personnel of the Army, Army National Guard, and Army Reserve who have served honorably in active federal service as commissioned officers, warrant officers, or enlisted men in the Army, Navy, Air Force, or Marine Corps; who have pulled three years of reserve component service, or who have a combination of three years active and reserve service.

NEW ARMY ADVISOR ASSIGNED TO KENTUCKY



COL RUEL P. SCOGGINS, a Regular Army Officer with over 24 years active service, assumed duties as Senior Army Advisor to the Kentucky Army National Guard on 23 November 1970. He replaces COL ARTHUR L. BAKEWELL, who retired on 1 September 1970.

COL SCOGGINS served in the Pacific Theater of Operations during WWII participating in the Luzon, Southern Phillipine, and Bismark-Archipalago Campaigns. He has since served in Europe, Korea, and comes to this assignment from Headquarters Military Assistance Command, Vietnam.

His decorations include the Legion of Merit, Army Commendation Medal, and the Phillipine Presidential Unit Citation, plus ten other Service Medals to include five overseas bars.

He is a graduate of the Armor Advanced Course and the Command and General Staff College.

A former high school teacher, COL SCOGGINS is a graduate of Henderson State Teachers College, Arkadelphia, Arkansas and has done post-graduate work at the University of Arkansas and George Washington University.

He, his wife, and two children, reside at Frankfort, Kentucky.



THE AG SPEAKS

By MG Larry C. Dawson

The maintenance of unusually high standards of honesty, integrity, impartiality, and conduct of technicians is essential to properly perform the administrative, logistical, and maintenance support of the Kentucky Army and Air National Guard.


I expect each technician to maintain these standards.

This being election year I remind each technician that he is a Federal employee and is ruled by the Hatch Act. Briefly, the technician has the right to express his opinions on all political subjects and candidates. When a technician is in doubt as to political participation he should contact the Technician Personnel Officer, LTC Harlan I. Mitchell, for guidance.

National Guard technicians are an integral part of the community, and they should participate in community affairs that are non-partisan. They should also support non-partisan community projects that are for the betterment of the community.

I wish to commend all members of the National Guard of Kentucky for the fine performance which was evident from the Results of the Annual General Inspections.

Some of our units have been evaluated by First Army in the area of Civil Disturbance, and from reports received they performed in an outstanding manner. We now have two more Sectors to be inspected during the month of February, and I will be looking forward to seeing the accomplishments of these units.



DROUGHT ENDS FOR ARMY SUPPLIES

By LTC Joseph R. Craft

A flood of tanks, radios, trucks, and other materiel is ending a long, frustrating equipment drought. During the last half year, the KyARNG equipment well spring has swelled with unit issues of:

Machine Guns, 7.62 mm, M-60	21
Radio Sets, AN/VRC-46	45
Radio Sets, AN/VRC-47	6
Radio Terminals, AN/MRC-69	2
Trailers, water	5
Trucks, tractor, 5 T	4

The flow continues. Items now in the State or allocated for delivery to Kentucky within the next six months include:

Cntrl Off. Tele, AN/MTC-3	1
Crane, whl mounted, 20 T	1
Detecting Set, Mine	29
Mask, protective, M17	2,855
Radio Set, AN/VRC-29	1
Radio Set, AN/VRC-46	14
Radio Set, AN/VRC-47	19
Radio Set, AN/VRC-49	11
Rec Radio, AN/PRR-9	6
Recovery Vehicle, M**	2
Rifles, M16A1	977
Searchlight, 30"	6
Shop Equip, Contact Maint, Trk Mtd	1
Tank, Combat, M-48A3	15
Tank, Combat, M-60	15
Truck, Cargo, ¼ T, M151A2	133
Truck, Cargo, 2½ T, M35A2	11
Truck, Tractor, 5 T	2
Truck, wrecker, 5T, XM-816	2

The gods of the Potomac are kind, the well spring filleth and our battered equipment cup doth overflow.

Posting The Guard

Actions from 23 September 1970 through 31 December 1970

KENTUCKY AIR NATIONAL GUARD

by MSGT James E. Turpin

Lt Col William J. Semonin asgd duty Chief of Staff from Dir of Opns, Hq Ky ANG
Maj Robert L. Brown asgd duty Dir of Opns, Hq Ky ANG from Air Opns Off Other, 123d Cmbt Spt Sq
Cpt John L. Smith promoted to Major, Hq 123d TRGp
Maj Carl D. Black promoted to Lt Colonel, Hq 123d TRWg
1st Lt William M Irion III asgd duty Pilot Recon, Capt Vac from Pilot Recon, Lt Vac, 165th TRSq
Maj Otis O Bowen asgd duty Air Opns Off Other, 123d Cmbt Spt Sq from Pilot Recon, 165th TRSq

KENTUCKY ARMY NATIONAL GUARD

By Mrs. Etta Kelly

APPOINTMENTS

CPT Donald L. Bullock fr USAR to Manpower Off SSS HHD KyARNG
1LT Brack A. Bivins asg Battalion Surgeon 201st Engr Bn
1LT Francis W. Splittorff fr USAR to Plt Ldr Co B 2/123d Armor
2LT Richard E. Birdwell fr USAR to Asst XO Btry A 1/623d Arty
2LT James L. Campbell fr USAR asg Sp Equip Maint Plt Ldr 413th HEM
2LT Stephen R. Jackson fr USAR asg Plt Ldr Co A 201st Engr Bn
CW2 James M. Cline fr USAR asg Evac Pilot 441st Med Det
CW2 Michael W. McClure fr USAR asg Evac Pilot 441st Med Det
CW2 Grant H. Peterson fr USAR to Rotary Wing Aviator 441st Med Det
CW2 Landis D. Thompson fr USAR asg Evac Pilot 441st Med Det
CW2 Garland D. Wagner fr USAR asg Fixed Wing Pilot 2113th Trans Co
MSG Larry C. Hammons commissioned CW2 asg Unit Personnel Tech 149th MP Bn
SGT Ivan K. Beliles commissioned 2LT asg Plt Ldr Co c 2/123d Armor
SGT Robert L. Schweiss Jr appointed 2LT asg Recon-Survey Off Btry B 5th TAB
SP5 William V. Baxter appointed 2LT asg Press Off 133d PID

PROMOTIONS

MAJ Armando J. Alfaro to LTC 138th Arty GP
MAJ Jack W. Rees to LTC 1/123d Armor
MAJ Archie O. Taylor to LTC HHD KyARNG
CPT Bennie L. Hester to MAJ 1/123d Armor
1LT William E. Bond to CPT Co B 1/123d Armor
1LT Robert L. Johnson to CPT 2/123d Armor
1LT James B. Noble to CPT Co C (-) 201st Engr Bn
1LT Coy Robinson Jr to CPT 1/123d Armor
1LT Owen H. Robinson to CPT HHD KyARNG
1LT Courtney H. Smith to CPT Btry A (SLT)
WO1 Robert E. Davis to CW2 1/123d Armor

SEPARATIONS

COL William E. Hall 149th Armor GP
COL Nelson A. Meredith HHD KyARNG
LTC Garland W. Pence 149th Armor GP
CPT William J. Baker 201st Engr Bn
CPT John W. Wyatt HHB XXIII CA
1LT Robert D. End 5th TAB 138th Arty
1LT Roland C. Manns HHD KyARNG
1LT Gary R. Miller HHC 1/123d Armor
1LT John M. Shrout Co B 201st Engr Bn
2LT David W. Garrett 2/123d Armor
2LT Morgan B. Perry Jr HHB 2/138th Arty

TRANSFERS/REASSIGNMENTS KyARNG OFFICERS

HHD KyARNG

COL Edward H. Milburn asg Chief of Staff
LTC Harlan I. Mitchell asg G-1
LTC Herbert B. Mattingly asg Asst G-1
LTC Archie O. Taylor Jr asg Asst G-4
LTC Sylvester M. Adkins asg G-3
MAJ Walter W. Wood asg Asst G-3
MAJ Billy G. Wellman asg O&T Staff Officer
MAJ Rollin R. Shaw asg IG
CPT Jimmie Judge asg Supply Staff Officer
1LT James T. Harmon asg Aide
2LT Jasper Carpenter asg TAC Officer (OCS Section)

XXIII CA

COL Thomas J. Nortof asg XO
MAJ Charles H. Bush asg Asst S-3
CPT Dale L. Ferguson asg Liaison Officer
CPT Jefferson A. Johnston asg Asst S-2
CPT James O'Keefe asg Liaison Officer
CPT John T. Underwood III asg Asst S-3
CPT Bingham H. Willson asg Tgt Analyst
CW2 John N. Gillham asg Helicopter Pilot

1/623d Arty

CPT John F. Moore asg Intell Officer HHB
CPT Kenneth C. Motley asg Commo Off HHB
1LT Harold K. Logsdon asg Btry CO Btry B
1LT William P. Smith asg Btry CO Btry A
2LT James E. Combest asg Asst XO Btry B
2LT Tracy K. Hord Jr. asg Ammo Off Svc Btry
2LT Robert T. McDonough asg Btry XO Btry B
2LT James H. Turner asg XO Svc Btry

2/138th Arty

MAJ Harold O. Loy asg XO HHB
MAJ Julius L. Berthold asg S-3 HHB
CPT Harvey E. Hamilton asg S-1 HHB
1LT Cavid L. Clark asg Plat Ldr HHB
1LT Jerry M. Garrett asg XO Btry A
2LT Jerry L. Powell asg Recon-Survey Officer HHB

5th TAB 138th Arty

CPT Paul J. Able Jr asg Asst S-3 HHB
CPT Vincent J. Kieta asg Btry CO Btry A
CPT Kenneth W. Miller asg Btry CO Btry B
CPT Billy C. Newton asg Commo Officer HHB
CPT Aubrey L. Nuckolls Jr asg Motor Officer HHB
1LT Robert L. Aderhold Jr asg S-4 HHB
1LT James L. Thompson asg HHB CO
2LT Michael J. Kelly asg Survey Plt Ldr HHB
2LT James W. Roberts Jr asg Sound Ranging Plt Comdr Btry B
2LT Raymond C. Schulte Jr asg Plt Ldr Btry B
2LT Michael L. Woods asg XO Btry B
2LT Stephen W. Radcliffe asg Liaison Officer Btry B

GUARD ARMOR TRAINS AT FORT KNOX

Company A, 2-123d Armor, which is headquartered in Livermore, is currently participating in a special two year training program at Fort Knox. Headquarters of the Second Battalion is located in Owensboro.

The unit, which is commanded by CPT OTIS P. MORRIS, of Island, is the only unit of the Kentucky Army National Guard to be a part of the training. The tank section of the parent unit from Owensboro is attached to the Livermore unit for the training.

Company A moves to Fort Knox one weekend per month to participate in the training which will continue until November 1972. The first training exercise took place on November 14 and 15.

Regular Army instructors of The United States Army Armor School instruct the men of the Livermore unit on the latest and most modern equipment available to the Army. After this initial orientation on new equipment, the officers and non-commissioned of-ficers of Company A will provide the instruction, utilizing Fort Knox's facilities and equipment.

The "Tankers" in the unit are not the only ones to receive special training. The cooks accompany the unit to Fort Knox where they are given complete charge of one of the Army's most modern kitchens where they prepare and serve "chow" to a Regular Army Battalion in addition to their own unit. The men of the Regular Army seemed to enjoy the change of cooks and comments were heard such as "Sign 'em up!" Unit mechanics work with their regular counterpart in repairing tanks and other items of equipment.

The 2-123d Armor is commanded by LTC RAY COSSEY of Bowling Green.

149th Armor GP

LTC Gerald F. Price asg Group Comdr

1/123d Armor

LTC Jack W. Rees asg battalion commander
MAJ Bennie L. Hester asg S-3 HHB
CPT William E. Bond asg CO Co B
CPT Coy Robinson Jr asg Bn Motor Officer HHC
1LT Jerry L. Gresham asg HHC XO
1LT Bruce Thomas asg Mortar Plt Ldr HHC
2LT Sheril P. Howard asg Plt Ldr Co B

138th Arty GP

1LT Michael C. Hagan asg Liaison Officer

149th MP Bn

1LT Glenis Burton asg Correctional Officer

201st Engr Bn

MAJ Robert L. Dezarn asg XO
MAJ Edward H. Ratcliff asg S-3 HHC
CPT Edward L. Gill asg S-1 HHC
CPT Carl L. Fout asg Asst S-3 HHC

441st Med Det (Hel Amb)

CPT Thomas M. Quisenberry II asg Flt Operations Officer
1LT Jere K. Roche asg Section Ldr

103d S & S Bn

CPT Warren P. Hacker asg Supply Control Officer
CPT Charles E. Hillard Jr asg Stock Control Officer
CPT Franklin M. Gray asg S-1
1LT Jack L. Shepherd asg Supply Service Officer

413th HEM Co

1LT Smythe J. Williams asg Co CO

203d General Supply Co

2LT Charlie G. Hughes Jr asg Stock Control Officer

2113th Trans Co

CPT Wallace L. Walker asg XO

Guard To Pickett For Hawaii

The dates and locations units of the Kentucky National Guard will attend Annual Training for 1971 have been announced by The Military Department at Frankfort.

HAWAII

The Air Guard has the first contingent, which by the time you read this, will have departed as of 9 January until 23 January for Hawaii. This unit is a PRIME BEEF TEAM of the 123rd Civ Engr Flight. (See story elsewhere in this edition.)

From 12 through 26 June a total of three units will perform their AT periods. These are The Kentucky Air National Guard's 123rd Tactical Reconnaissance Wing, will go to Travis Field, Savannah, Georgia; the 201st Engineer Battalion, will return to Western Kentucky to the Tank Training Area commonly known as WET-SITE (Week-End Training Site) to accomplish construction jobs designated for this year; and going to Fort Knox is the Officer Candidate Schools Phase I and III.

Between the period of 26 June through 11 July, the 2113rd Trans Co (Acft DS), which is part of the 103rd S&S Bn, will perform its annual training at New Cumberland, Pennsylvania; while the 2-123rd Armor will journey to Camp Pickett, Virginia.

Going to Fort Hood, Texas, probably by air, is the HHC 149th Armor Group with the 1-123rd Armor, leaving the state from 11 through 25 July.

CAMP PICKETT

The largest contingent, from the army side, will be leaving the Bluegrass State and heading for Camp Pickett, Virginia, from 24 July through 7 August. The major commands going on the sojourn are the HHDKyARNG, XXIII Corps Artillery and the 138th Artillery Group, with their attached units, and the 103rd Service & Supply Battalion. While these units are heading for Pickett, the 223rd MP Guard Co, will be traveling to Fort Knox, to assist the Fort Knox Military Police Company in the performance of its duties.

Needless to say, the Kentucky National Guard will be represented all over the United States, to include our sister state of Hawaii.



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Ky Awards and Decorations

THIRTY YEARS FAITHFUL SERVICE MEDAL

BG JACK H. OWENS, Hqs Ky Air National Guard
COL CHARLES W. SELLINS, Hqs Ky Air National Guard
CSM MARION F. WILLIAMS, HHD Ky Army National Guard

KENTUCKY COMMENDATION RIBBON

SP5 VINCENT A. BELL, Co C 1-123rd Armor

Hawaii Plans Are Surfing Along

As of January 1st, a total of 38 spaces have been reserved on the NGAKy trip to Hawaii to attend the 93rd Annual Conference of the National Guard Association of the United States.

Planning for the trip is progressing smoothly under the guidance of the Guardsman-owned travel agency from St. Louis, the Leonard Haertter Travel Agency.

The annual conference is set for 20-23 September 1971 in Honolulu, Hawaii, and the package deal offered by the Haertter Agency includes round trip commercial air transportation from Louisville, oceanfront hotel accommodations for 7 nights and 8 days at the famed Ilikai Hotel, all personnel and luggage transfer costs and tips. Package cost for two persons in one room is only \$465 per person.

Mr. Haertter, using speaker-telephone communications, spoke to a small group of Association members last October who showed up at the Executive Inn, Louisville, to obtain additional information about the scheduled trip. Significant points made by Mr. Haertter include:

- The Ilikai Hotel offers deluxe accommodations and is 100% air conditioned. The oceanfront rooms normally rent for more than \$30 per day.
- The flight will leave Louisville about 9:30 am on Saturday, 18 September, with an estimated time of arrival in Honolulu of 3:40 pm. It is an 8 hour flight, making one or two stops (Nashville and the Coast) and a five hour time zone change.
- The return flight will leave about 9:30 am on Saturday, 25 September with an ETR of midnight in Louisville.
- The plane will be a United Airlines DC 8 with 127 passengers or a "stretch 8" with 149 passengers. United first class meals will be served during the flight. An open bar will be in operation during the trip.
- Side trips are available upon arrival to the other islands. They run between \$35 and \$65 per person.
- If you participate in the package price, the plane goes over and returns on a set schedule as announced. If you wish to remain longer, or stay on the west coast beyond the return dates, you have to pay your own return transportation costs.
- We understand that military air will not be used to transport military passengers to the west coast, as has been done on some previous conventions.
- A person can make this trip for less money, but the type of accommodation you have in Hawaii might be well below the standard you would want. The Ilikai is about the best—you have an oceanfront room that's fully air-conditioned and you have a private bath.
- A policy on cancellations will be sent to all who make reservations in January 1971.
- The flight will not be cancelled if we do not fill up the plane. In fact, a waiting list will be developed to fill any late cancellations. Anyone accepted on the waiting list is guaranteed a trip to Hawaii under the package price. If the vacancy does not occur, the agency will pay the commercial air cost for the individuals on a regular flight, however, those going with the charter flight are on a first come-first served basis.

During the October meeting, it was pointed up that now is the time to act to guarantee a space on the charter flight.

Guardsmen presently holding reservations include:

LTC Fred W. Cross (2)
LTC Marshall E. White (2)
MAJ William R. Watson (2)
CPT Charles V. Suter (2)
MAJ Edwin E. Burnett (4)
MAJ Stanley A. Worsham (3)
COL George D. Bunnell (2)
LTC Wilbur R. Buntin Jr. (3)
LTC Shelby T. Bush Jr (2)

MAJ David F. Fleming (2)
MAJ Jerry W. Heaton (4)
COL Lawrence A. Quebbeman (2)
LTC Frank J. Sayre (2)
LTC John W. Connor Jr (2)
MG Larry C. Dawson (2)
LTC Clancy B. York (2)
Communication received 6 January from the Haertter Travel Agency allocated only twenty-one more spaces for Kentucky, so, get those reservations in!

GUARD-USAR COOPERATE FOR LEADERSHIP COURSES

A cooperative effort between units of the Kentucky Army National Guard and the 100th USAR Training Division in conducting an NCO-Leadership Training Course will pay dividends for both components in months to come.

Units of the 100th USAR Training Division located throughout Kentucky are conducting a 64 hours NCO-Leadership Course for units located at Glasgow, Lexington, Ashland, and Barbourville.

The course covers the subjects of Leadership, The Role of the Non-Commissioned Officer, Drills and Ceremonies, Human Motivation, and Methods of Instruction.

A SHORT COURSE IN HUMAN RELATIONS

The six most important words:
I ADMIT I MADE A MISTAKE

The five most important words:
YOU DID A GOOD JOB

The four most important words:
WHAT IS YOUR OPINION?

The three most important words:
IF YOU PLEASE

The two most important words:
THANK YOU

The one most important word:
WE

The least important word:
I

PRICE IS NEW CO 149TH ARMOR GROUP

LTC GERALD F. PRICE, Utica, assumed Command of the 149th Armor Group on 1 November 1970, at a Change of Command Ceremony attended by MG LARRY C. DAWSON, The Adjutant General, and the former commander COL WILLIAM E. HALL, who was transferred out of state due to his civilian occupation.

LTC PRICE has completed over 28 years of military service in the active army, and as a member of the Kentucky National Guard since October 1946.

He is a graduate of the Basic and Advance Course of The Infantry School, the Career Course of The Armor School, and is presently completing the Command and General Staff College Course.

LTC PRICE works for the United States Post Office in Utica.

Army Guard Has New Chief Of Staff



COL EDWARD H. MILBURN was appointed the Chief of Staff for the Kentucky Army National Guard effective 15 December 1970 by authority of The Adjutant General, MG LARRY C. DAWSON.

During his military career he served in WWII as a Combat Engineer Officer in Europe. Upon return to Springfield he joined the old 623rd Field Artillery Battalion, until the unit was called into Federal Service, where he and the unit exemplified themselves in combat in Korea. Upon release from active duty he remained as Battalion Commander, until his transfer to the XXIII Corps Artillery.

While a member of the XXIII Corps Artillery he served as the Logistician, Operations and Training Officer, Executive Officer, and Assistant Corps Artillery Commander. He was transferred to Headquarters, Kentucky Army National Guard, in March 1968, and served as the Operations and Training Officer until his assignment as Chief of Staff.

COL MILBURN is the Senior Staff Assistant for the Commonwealth of Kentucky, Frankfort, Kentucky.

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Secretary of Defense Melvin R. Laird presents the Secretary of Defense Conservation Award for 1969 to Colonel William C. McMullin, Commanding Officer, Camp Pickett, Va.

Camp Pickett, Va., Is Winner Of SecDef Conservation Award

There was stiff competition from 243 military installations throughout the United States, but Camp Pickett, Blackston, Virginia, won the Secretary of Defense Conservation Award for 1969.

Secretary of Defense Melvin R. Laird went to Camp Pickett to present the award and observed that "today we recognize your achievement as the best among all military installations in the United States." It was the first time a Secretary of Defense has made the presentation in person.

The Camp Pickett reservation is comprised of 45,000 acres. It has an average monthly military population of 2,150. The installation's primary military mission is to provide a maneuver and training area for regular and reserve Army units, basically for summer training.

The permanently assigned staff has approximately 124 military personnel and 175 civilian employees.

During 1969, more than 23,000 persons participated in outdoor recreation at Camp Pickett. Activities included college students studying conservation practices, 4-H Club tours on wildlife management, camping, picnicking, boating, hiking, hunting, and fishing.

In addition, Virginia's sportsmen's groups hold their annual Field Trials at the reservation.

REES COMMANDS 1-123D ARMOR

MAJ JACK W. REES, assumed command of the 1-123rd Armor effective 1 November 1970, from LTC GARLAND W. PENCE, who retired.

MAJ REES served as a Technical Sergeant with the United States Marine Corps in the Pacific from 1943 to 1945.

He enlisted in the Kentucky National Guard in November 1947 and in August 1949 was commissioned a Second Lieutenant serving in the old 149th Infantry Regimental Combat Team.

His service includes duty with the 21-23rd Armor, to include the call up during the "Berlin Crisis," serving for ten months at Fort Stewart, Georgia.

Prior to his assignment as the Battalion Commander of the 1-123rd Armor, he was the Battalion Executive Officer.

He is entitled to wear the American Campaign Medal, Asiatic-Pacific Medal, WWII Victory Medal, Armed Forces Reserve Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Berlin Crisis Medal, and the State Active Duty Ribbon.

MAJ REES lives in St. Louis, Missouri, and is a salesman for a dry cleaning equipment firm.



"I RAN INTO THE BASE COMMANDER TODAY..."

And Yet They Serve

EDITOR'S NOTE—The following was written by the wife of a Georgia National Guardsman, in the aftermath of the Augusta riot duty call-up in May. She wrote this piece for her scrapbook, but was encouraged to have it published in the Augusta newspaper. It was. It tells in vivid form the story that could have been written concerning hundreds of other National Guard families. She presented "her side of the coin" for posterity.

The silence of the night is broken by the scream of the telephone . . . sleep flees with a tremor of fear . . . then you hear him say, "Yes, I'm leaving now" . . . and you know that the Guard has been called out again. A feeling of dread grips your heart and that eternal prayer leaps to your lips, "Lord, keep him safe and bring him back safely."

Today, on the brink of what has been called the "Riot Season" when so much is being said about the cruel and inhumane treatment by police and guardsmen, let the wife of a guardsman tell our side of the story. Let me tell you what it is like to know that your husband is leaving you, there's no chance for planning or rescheduling of plans long made, clothes are to be packed—for how many days you don't know, instructions are given for cancelling dental appointments, fishing trips, renewing the automobile insurance, all the while each of you being careful not to say what is in your hearts . . . be careful, darling, come back to me safely and soon, don't worry about the children, I'll miss you and pray for you . . . Then he's gone . . .

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State Police Praise National Guard

Editors Note—The following letter was received from the Department of Public Safety, Division of Kentucky State Police, Frankfort, Kentucky, and is reproduced as follows:

January 5, 1971

Dear National Guard Members:

We enter the year of 1971 with many mixed emotions. Statistics show us that during 1970 we had 1064 people killed on Kentucky highways as compared to 1084 during 1969. This reduction, while slight, must be considered as an improvement in our fatality picture, but certainly is not what we would hope to accomplish during the new year. In addition to the traffic problem, crime still continues to plague all law enforcement agencies. We are witnessing an ever-increasing intensity in the disregard for law and order, for the rights of others, and most serious—the outright effort to condemn and ravage our form of government.

Nearly every accident, whether it be a fatality, a personal injury, or property damage accident, is the result of a violation of the law. Every crime committed is aimed at every Kentuckian's right to live free from the fear of being victimized by those who laugh at our laws. Ours is a nation of laws and our Commonwealth is a state of laws. These laws must be upheld and everyone shares the responsibility.

With these thoughts in mind, I would like to challenge each member of the Kentucky National Guard to become a personal representative for law and order. I know that an organization such as yours, which is made up of the personnel that you have, can certainly have a marked influence.

I would certainly be remiss if I did not take this opportunity to express the appreciation of the Division of Kentucky State Police for the assistance rendered us by the Kentucky National Guard. Over the past twenty (20) years I have personal knowledge of many incidents in which both organizations were involved and I have found without exception a commendable relationship existing between us. To be perfectly frank, on some occasions the Kentucky State Police could not have accomplished the objective without your help. This has never been more evident than it was last May at the University of Kentucky. We are indeed thankful for your assistance and appreciate your cooperation.

I sincerely wish each of you and your family a very happy and prosperous New Year.

Sincerely yours,

Colonel L. G. Boucher
Director

OWENSBORO GUARD UNIT USES NEW TRAINING SITE

Owensboro's 2-123d Armor, Kentucky Army National Guard, put their new training area WETSITE (Week-End Training Site) to use when two platoons of Company B, based at Henderson, were given an Army Training Test to determine their state of combat readiness.

The test began with the unit's arrival at the WETSITE for a week-end of training. The test determined how well the men know their equipment and how well they can fight as a platoon. During this test, the platoons were pitted against each other and used blank ammunition, artillery simulators and tank gunfire simulators for realism.

The training site, located on strip-mined property leased from the Peabody Coal Company, is near Greenville, Kentucky. The battalion plans to use the training site extensively for tank training.

. . . Gone . . . not to fight a foreign enemy to protect the country that he has already fought one war for, but to stand guard and protect the rights of his fellow citizens from the rioting and violence of other fellow citizens. Passively protect, though. You know that he will silently stand guard to prevent looting, he will enforce barricades and curfews, he will stand as children and adults assault him with words which normally would give rise to him striking out, but now he will stand mutely as a guardsman. When he returns home he will show you the dents in his helmet caused from bricks tossed at him as he stood guard before a burned out store and tell you with a lump in his throat of how he "took it" without a word.

. . . "When he returns home" . . . you always know there is the chance that he won't . . . maybe that sniper on the rooftop will find his target tonight . . . maybe when he searches that car at the barricade, he'll have acid thrown in his face or catch the bullet from a concealed gun or spill his blood from the plunge of a switchblade.

Then, if you're lucky, he's

home. Unshaven, unwashed, and bone tired. If he was lucky, he got a few hours of restless and troubled sleep while he was away. Sleep still comes slowly to him and you sense that he needs to talk about it. He needs to tell you that he doesn't want to go again, but that he is on alert for the weekend. You listen as he tells you of the nights when as you were sleeping safely at home, a sniper was firing at him and his men, a car ran a blockade after striking a guardsman, stores were burning and being looted, he was being cursed and spat on by children and adults as they threw rocks and sticks at him.

Guardsmen stand to protect this state and they know the chances they will have to take when they join the National Guard, but in taking those chances and in protecting their homes they deserve the praise due them. They are not inhumane, cruel, or hard . . . they're just brave, strong men who are doing their duty at home and who although they don't like it, continue to answer that phone in the middle of the night and go to do that which must be done. Read, then, both sides of the coin before screaming "Guard brutality."

CIVIL DISTURBANCE CONTROL A JOINT FEDERAL—STATE RESPONSIBILITY

There was more than met the eye in a recent Department of Defense announcement that it would provide additional training and equipment for the National Guard in the field of civil disturbance control.

The decision to give the Guard more support reflected a significant shift in Federal policy, as Under-secretary of Army Thaddeus R. Beal made clear during discussions with top leaders of the National Guard. Preparing and equipping the National Guard to perform civil disturbance duties in support of civil authorities is a joint Federal-State responsibility, and not solely a State function, he declared.

The old view, that the Army's only interest in the Guard is in preparing it to perform its national defense, mobilization function, can no longer be "squared with the realities of our joint needs," he went on.

In the past, Beal pointed out, the Army has thought "almost entirely in terms of preparing the Guard for the contingency of mobilization," and assigning a low priority to its civil support function. Experiences of the past decade have demonstrated, however, that providing emergency assistance to civil authorities in disorder control "has become a joint Federal-State responsibility."

Only two days before Beal's session with the NGAUS Executive Council, Department of Defense publicly announced that an additional \$20,000,000 would be spent on special equipment and training for the Guard in civil disturbance duties. Of that sum, \$4,777,000 is going for equipment and \$15,200,000 to pay troops for additional specialized training.

NEW EQUIPMENT

High on the equipment list were face shields (140,000), riot batons (140,000), and protective vests (120,000—the Guard already has 20,000). Other items include single sideband radios, M3 and M5 chemical agent dispersers, shotguns (with supplies of No. 7½ and No. 9 birdshot), sniper rifles, bullhorns, Xenon searchlights, floodlights and new-model M17 gas masks.

In the training line, a three-hour bloc of "attitude training" will be injected into the REP program at Army Training Centers for all new recruits, Active Army and Reserve as well as National Guard. In addition, eight hours will be added to the present 16-hour requirement for unit civil disturbance refresher training, and a separate 16 hours of leadership training will be given officers and non-commissioned officers.

Under-secretary Beal also revealed that the Army has refined its "Rules of Engagement" for use of force in civil disturbance operations and strongly urged that identical rules be adopted for the National Guard in all States. These rules are the guidelines which govern when force will be employed against disorderly elements, and what degree of force.

He described the revised rules as "a foundation on which we can both (Active Army and Army Guard) stand with confidence that performance based on these rules will be respected and understood."

He said that widespread acceptance of the Army's Rules of Engagement by the Guard has "contributed significantly to the low incidence of death or serious injury in Guard civil disturbance control operations."

Emphasizing Federal concern over any deviations from Army rules, he said: "Any failure of a State—whether deliberately or by oversight—to train and employ their Guardsmen in accordance with the Federal rules not only detracts from their overall effectiveness, but undermines the public image of the National Guard as a unified, professional military force."