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Army National Guard announces annual training schedule; exchange, commissary privileges, requirements explained

Annual training sites and dates for Kentucky Army National Guard units have been announced by Maj. Harold Loy, chief of Operations and Training for the Department of Military Affairs. Major Loy also outlined post exchange and commissary privileges for the training period.

Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 149th Armor Brigade and the 1st and 2d Brigades, 123d Armor are scheduled for annual training March 13-30 at Fort Hood, Tex.

A large encampment is set for Camp Shelby, Miss. June 6-22, with 11 units training. The units are: Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, XXIII Corps Artillery; HHB, 138th Field Artillery Group; 1st Battalion, 623d Field Artillery; 2d Bn., 138th FA; Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, 198th Military Police Bn.; 223d MP Company; 438th MP Co.; Headquarters

and Headquarters Company, 103d Supply and Service Bn.; 203d General Services Co.; 413th Maintenance Co. (Heavy Equipment Maintenance); and 441st Medical Detachment.

The 201st Engineer Bn. (Combat) (Army) will train at Camp A.P. Hill, Va. May 30 to June 15 and the Kentucky Military Academy and 1st Bn., 149th Infantry (Mechanized) will train at Camp Atterbury, Ind. June 14-28.

Training at Fort Campbell, Ky. is set May 31-June 14 for the 2113th Transportation Co. (Aircraft Maintenance), and Aberdeen Proving Ground, Md. will be the site of training on the same dates for the 306th and 307th Maintenance Companies (HEM). The 207th Engineer Co. will train at Fort Leonardwood, Mo. July 26-Aug. 10.

Units on year-around training are: HHD,

Kentucky Army National Guard, 202d Army Band, 2123d Transportation Co. and the 133d Public Information Det.

Major Loy noted that the training sites were selected to afford the units the best opportunities to gain the meaningful and comprehensive training necessary to meet specific training objectives. Those objectives will be detailed in the next issue of the GUARDSMAN.

As in the past, Major Loy continued, Guardsmen and their dependents will have unlimited exchange and commissary privileges during the training periods. Each unit will provide individuals with an appropriate authorization form and a copy of orders to annual training to be used to gain access to exchange and commissary facilities. Guardsmen must provide units with the names and other pertinent information for dependents authorized exchange privileges.

Governor Carroll receives Army, Air briefings as Commander-in-Chief

Governor Julian Carroll became Commander-in-Chief of the Kentucky National Guard Dec. 28 upon his inauguration. Governor Carroll was sworn into office after former Governor Wendell Ford resigned to take his seat in the U.S. Senate.

Governor Carroll met with officials of the Army and Air National Guard in one of his first official acts Dec. 30, receiving an overview briefing concerning Guard achievements, facilities and programs.

Lt. Col. Billy G. Wellman, executive officer of the Army Guard, told the Governor of the Army Guard's structure within the state and emphasized the successful recruiting efforts of each unit. He also outlined the benefits brought to the state by the Guard and its members.

The Air Guard's presentation was made by Lt. Col. John B. Conaway, detachment commander of Shewmaker ANG Base. Colonel Conaway described the accomplishments of the Air Guard and emphasized the services provided by units to various organizations and communities.

Governor Carroll noted that he was familiar with both Army and Air operations, having belonged to both organizations. He served with the U.S. Army Reserves from 1954-1956 as an administrative clerk in the rank of corporal and later served with the Air Force as a judge advocate, attaining the rank of captain.

Adjutant General moves to resolve pay problems

Several Army National Guard units in the state have had delinquent payrolls in recent months, but action has been taken to remedy the situation, according to Col. Billy G. Wellman, the Army Guard's executive officer.

"It has been an unfortunate experience," Colonel Wellman said, "and one in which many factors have been involved. We can't solve problems caused by delays at the fi-

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GOVERNOR'S TOUR—Maj. Gen. Richard Frymire, The Adjutant General, left, talks with Governor Julian Carroll as the Governor and members of the staff tour the Emergency Operations Building. (Photo by Tom Little)

Chief to address Association conference

Kentucky National Guard officers will receive a direct report from two top officials when they assemble for the 44th Annual General Conference of the National Guard Association March 7-9 in Louisville.

Maj. Gen. Lavern E. Weber, the new chief of the National Guard Bureau, will make his first visit to the association since taking the top spot. He addressed the conference in 1972 while serving as the Bureau's Director for the Army National Guard.

General Weber is expected to review Kentucky's 1974 reorganization and he will be quizzed about the Guard's future in the state.

Maj. Gen. Richard L. Frymire, The Adjutant General, will deliver the annual "State of the Guard" address during the business session of the conference and Capt. Tom Mooney, the association's president, will present his President's Report. The member-

ship will also select a new slate of officers to head the association during fiscal year 1976.

The conference is set for Louisville's Holiday City on Fern Valley Road at Interstate 65. The entire facility will be utilized, and all functions are scheduled for the tower building.

The conference will open with the President's Reception Friday evening in the Posada Room. The business session is scheduled for March 8, to be followed that evening by the banquet and military ball.

A special luncheon and style show is planned for wives March 8 at noon. Following the event, which will be staged around the swimming pool, the wives can stay for a card party or take a tour of the Oxmoor Mall.

A Sunday morning buffet brunch will close the three-day conference.



MEDICAL TRAINING—Kentucky Army Guard medical specialists practice resuscitation techniques during a basic medical training program at the Lexington armory Jan. 18 and 19. About 50 enlisted people and six doctors met for the first time for the 16-hour program.

National Guard Association Insurance Program now offers \$2,000 spouse coverage 'rider'

A recent change to the National Guard Association of Kentucky Insurance Program now allows the Guardsman to apply for \$2,000 life insurance for his wife. The coverage was recommended by the insurance committee and approved by the association's executive council. The \$2,000 "rider" to the Guardsman's own insurance policy has a quarterly cost of \$3.

Ombudsman created to help Guardsmen end "hassles"

In spite of continuing programs designed to educate employers about the importance of the National Guard, some Guardsmen around the country evidently get "hassled" about the time they spend with the Guard. For people with this problem, "Ombudsman" has been established by the National Committee for Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve.

The program was set up to help resolve misunderstandings employers might have about the Guard by arranging a personal meeting between the employer and a prominent, Guard-knowledgeable member of the committee. According to the National Guard Association of the U.S., most employers are extremely cooperative when they learn of the importance of the Guard.

A meeting can be arranged with an employer by writing: Ombudsman, Employer Support, Arlington, Va., 22202.

ROTC region seeks Camp Knox trainees

In 1925, Fort Knox was known as "Camp" Knox and it was the site of Citizen's Military Training Camp (CMTC). Now, 50 years later, the Second Reserve Officer Training Corps Region is planning a reunion for men who attended that camp.

Nearly 2,500 men from Indiana, Kentucky, Ohio and West Virginia attended the CMTC in July of 1925. Upon successful completion of four four-week camps, men could be commissioned second lieutenants in the Organized Reserve Corps, a forerunner of the U.S. Army Reserve.

Several camp participants have been located and a reunion is tentatively set for July, in conjunction with the 1975 ROTC Basic Camp. Anyone who knows of someone who attended the CMTC is urged to contact Lt. Col. Don Kington, Second ROTC Region, Fort Knox, KY 41021.

Guardswomen may insure their husbands for the \$2,000 under the spouse coverage plan.

The new coverage permits the Guardsman to carry a total of \$3,000 on his spouse, since the program has offered "dependent's coverage" of \$1,000 on his wife for the past several years. Dependent coverage also provides up to \$1,000 coverage on all dependent children of the Guardsman.

To sign up for spouse coverage, Guardsmen should contact their unit insurance administrator or write the National Guard Association office in Frankfort.



Guardsmen eligible for state tax break; local tax eases

It's tax-paying time again, but Kentucky Guardsmen can take some solace because of a tax break granted them by the 1974 Kentucky Legislature.

Senate Bill 278 provides a \$20 tax credit to anyone who was a member of the Kentucky National Guard Dec. 31, 1974. The credit applies only to Kentucky income tax.

The National Guard Association of Kentucky had sought exemption of drill and annual training pay not exceeding \$1,000 from state tax, but the complicated formula of exemption delayed the bill and the fixed exemption was accepted.

According to tax officials, the Guardsman must attach a copy of the W-2 form supplied by the Guard to his state tax return and enter "National Guard" on line two of the first page of the form, increasing the total tax credits by one. On line 42 of the second page, he must again list the National Guard and multiply his total deductions by \$20.

For example, a Guardsman with a wife and two children had four tax credits prior to the new law's enactment. Now, however, he has five deductions and gains a \$20 tax credit for each.

More detailed instructions are included on page three of the instructions under the heading "Tax Credit for Kentucky National Guard Members."

The legislation also exempts drill and annual training pay from local payroll taxes. The method of gaining this benefit may differ, but in most instances the Guardsman simply should not report the income to the city government. Jimmy Rogers of the Frankfort tax assessor's office confirmed that such a method would be in effect in the capital city. Guardsmen are advised, however, to check with local tax officials.

March declared 'Minuteman Month'

The National Guard Bureau has designated March as a special period for recognizing the National Guard to gain awareness and support both from the public and from Guard members.

"March is Minuteman Month" will be a multi-faceted campaign, focusing attention on the Army and Air Guard in relation to the official start of the Bicentennial celebration, marking 200 years of customs and traditions. On the state level, a variety of programs is planned, including special publicity for units attending annual training at Fort Hood, Tex., the Easter Seal fund-raising drive, the Kentucky National Guard Association's annual meeting and other projects.

Campaign officials will be urging each unit to become involved in the program in coming weeks and more details on the month's activities will appear in the next edition of the GUARDSMAN.

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Recent regulations liberalize access to exchange facilities

Guardsmen, particularly those who train in locations far from Army and Air Force Exchange Service facilities, now have more liberal access to those facilities because of changes in regulations.

Unlimited privileges are authorized for all Guardsmen who perform inactive duty training, in a pay or non-pay status, on the basis of one day of exchange privilege for each day of training performed. A day of inactive duty training is defined as two inactive duty training periods. In the past, Guardsmen were ordinarily permitted to use the exchange only on training days, but now the facilities may be utilized on any day or days within the designated period.

Spouses may not enter exchanges alone, but they may accompany their military sponsors. No other dependents may enter exchanges.

Guardsmen and spouses must be identified by a letter issued by the unit commander or his designated representative. Information on the letter must include the validity period (not to exceed three months), number of days of exchange privilege authorized, name and Social Security account number of member and spouse, signature of sponsor, two blocks with numbers from one to 10, and the signature of the commander or his representative.

When the Guardsman initially uses the letter, exchange workers will enter the date opposite the Number 1 on the letter and the member will be able to use all exchange facilities on that day merely by presenting the letter.

People who special order merchandise, purchase items on a lay-away basis or leave merchandise for repair may complete the transaction on another day without having the day charged against them by presenting the letter and a receipt from the original transaction.

Air Force Extension Course Institute alters Squadron Officer School program

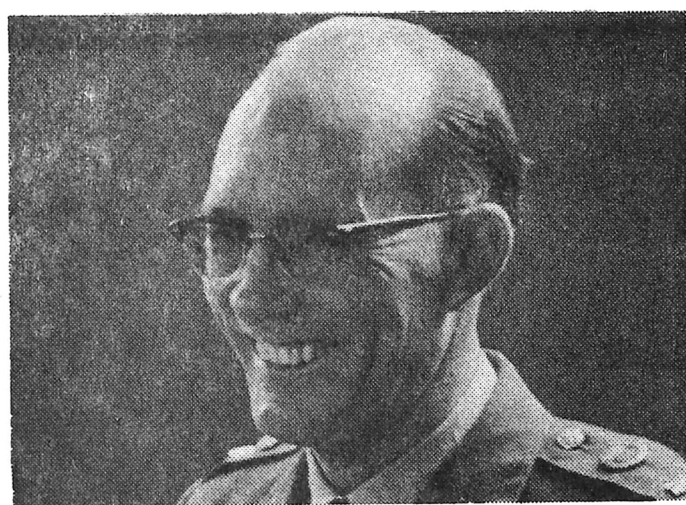
A major revision of the Air Force's Squadron Officer School Extension Program is nearing completion with the first course now available through the Extension Course Institute (ECI). The Military Management course has been redesignated Course 2E and contains 23 lessons.

The current Course 2D, Military Environment and Employment, will be replaced by Course 2F in April.

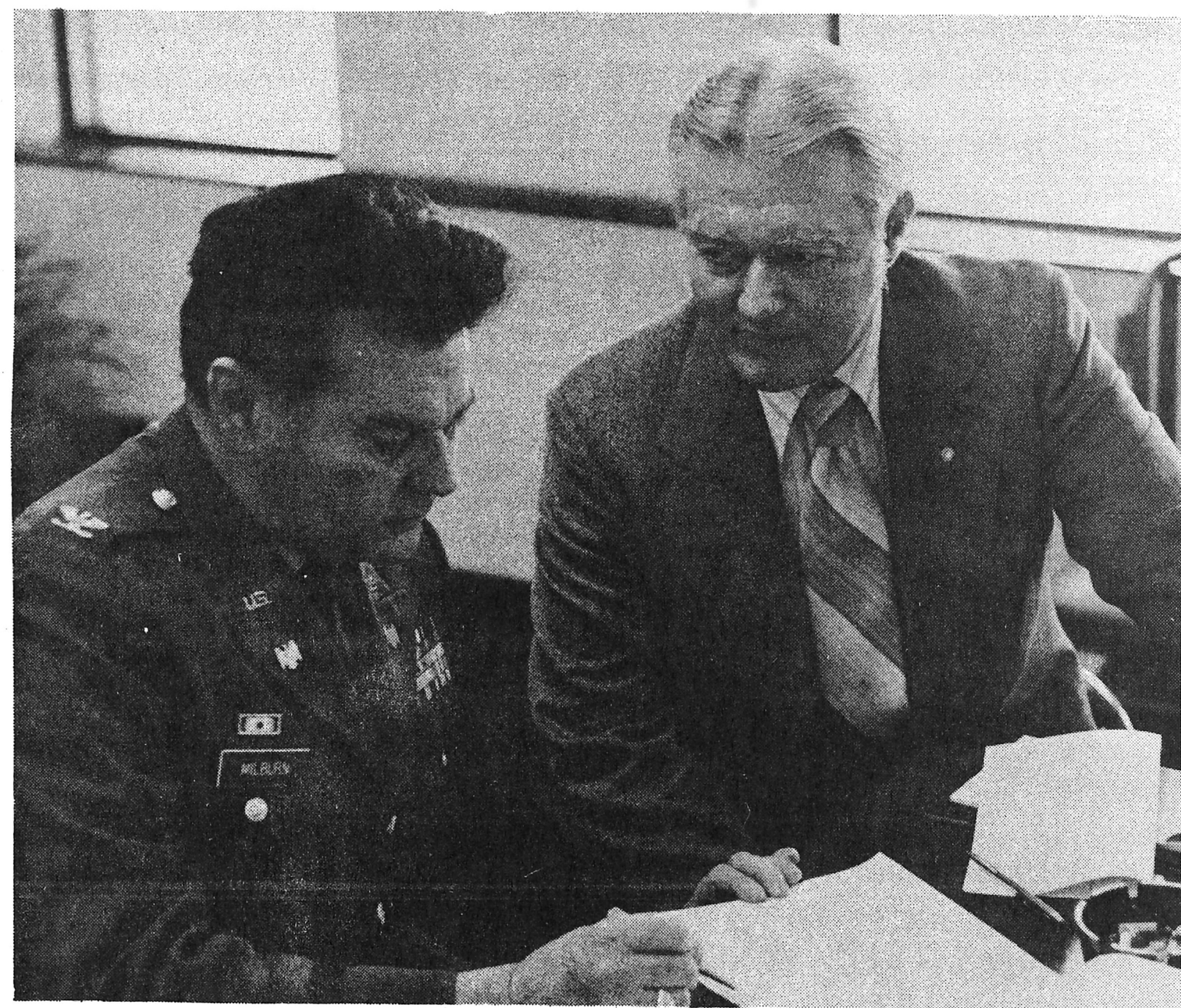
According to Air University officials, the latest changes realign the course to provide an extension program which parallels as closely as practicable the program offered at the resident school.

The officials also noted that the revision

Personnel management specialist earns cash superior performance award



CW4 Walter G. Flood, Sr.



FUND-RAISERS—Col. Edward Milburn, left, chairman of the Easter Seal Drive for the Kentucky Army National Guard, discusses plans for this year's campaign with W.T. Issac, executive director of the Kentucky Easter Seal Society.

Officials make Easter Seal fund drive plans; coverage expanded, higher total sought

Representatives of Army National Guard units around the state met with officials of the Kentucky Easter Seal Society in Frankfort Jan. 15 to begin planning for the 1975 fund-raising drive.

Kentucky Guardsmen have participated in the past three drives, collecting more than \$100,000 in 1974. Col. Edward H. Milburn, head of the Army Guard's effort, expressed confidence that the total would be improved

this year. Several counties have been added to the collection program, covering nearly all of the state's 120 counties.

As in the past, the drive will consist primarily of collection points at key intersections. The drive is set for March 22 in the eastern and central portions of the state, but Western Kentucky units will conduct their campaign in April due to March annual training.

W.T. Isaac, executive director of the Kentucky Easter Seal Society, noted the tremendous benefits derived by handicapped people in Kentucky through the efforts of the Guard and stated that a plaque commemorating the contributions is planned for the society's new Camp Green Shores on Rough River.

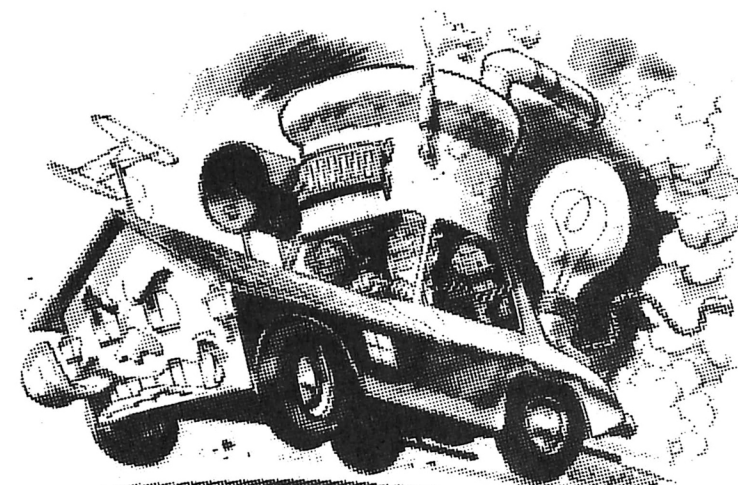
Colonel Milburn, explaining the Guard's continued support of the Easter Seal program, said, "Anyone who has visited the hospitals or seen the joy of the children at camp can easily see why this work is so important. I think we've selected a very worthy cause to support."

Retiring? Consider transfer

National Guardsmen eligible for retirement benefits should transfer to the Retired Reserves rather than take a discharge from the military, says the Guard Bureau.

The Army's personnel center in St. Louis is reportedly having difficulty identifying Guard members eligible for retirement benefits because they cannot determine who or where they are. A transfer will maintain a means of communication between the Guardsman and the military. (NGAUS)

DON'T BE FUELISH.



Chief Warrant Officer Walter G. Flood, Sr. received a Sustained Superior Performance cash award recently from Maj. Gen. Richard L. Frymire, The Adjutant General.

CW4 Flood, a supervisory personnel management specialist, was recognized for his work between November 1973 and November 1974. In his position, he assists the Technician Personnel Officer in handling personnel actions for the 560 civilians employed by the Kentucky National Guard. He has been in his current position for five years.

State officer school to take candidates; women now eligible

The Kentucky Military Academy is now accepting applications for the 1975 class and women may apply for the first time, according to Capt. Clyde Wiseman, the academy's training administrator.

The school, which will graduate its 17th class in June, will open the 1975 session in May with about 50 officer candidates. The initial weekend will consist of orientation sessions and planning for annual training.

During Phase I of the program, candidates

will attend annual training at Camp Atterbury, Ind., in joint training with students from Indiana. The training, to be conducted June 14-28, will emphasize leadership, map reading, arms and small unit tactics.

Following annual training, the students will enter Phase II, consisting of 11 weekend training sessions, with instruction including drill and command, administration, logistics and civil disturbance training.

At the end of that phase, the candidates

will attend a second annual training program, with branch qualification emphasized. Successful candidates will then be commissioned second lieutenants, under the provision that they become branch qualified within one year. Previously, the officers had three years to gain the necessary additional training.

The curriculum for the school, located at the Frankfort National Guard Armory, was developed at Fort Benning, Ga. and approved by the Training and Doctrine Command. Local officials have also made contributions, making the Kentucky program both comprehensive and challenging, according to Captain Wiseman.

Admission requirements for men and women differ slightly. All applicants must be in top physical condition, less than 28 years old and must have completed four months of active duty (basic training), plus six months in the National Guard or any other active or reserve component.

Men must be high school graduates and score GT-100 on the Armed Forces Qualification Test (AFQT), but women must have completed at least half of the work required for a bachelor's degree and must have an AFQT score of GT-115. Men and women must score at least 115 on the Officer Candidate Test and 75 on the Officer Qualification Inventory Test.

Anyone interested in the program should contact his unit administrative supply technician or recruiter. Captain Wiseman, at the Frankfort armory, also has complete details.

Payroll delays

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nance center at Ft. Benjamin Harrison, but we can work to insure that we don't create our own problems."

Maj. Gen. Richard L. Frymire, The Adjutant General, has placed particular emphasis on resolving the pay problems. In a letter to all commanders, he wrote "During a most critical period when we are exerting an all-out effort to recruit and retain personnel in the Guard, we cannot afford careless management. In view of the rising cost of living and the increase in unemployment, I am sure this income is most important to many of our Guardsmen."

He added, "I am expecting commanders and staff assistants at all levels to initiate appropriate action to insure timely submission of unit payrolls."

Colonel Wellman noted that anyone with payroll difficulties should contact his unit commander.

Communicator dies

Capt. Edward N. Dodson, of the Air National Guard's 123d Communications Flight, died Dec. 30 following a heart attack. The 34-year old officer was visiting relatives in Arkansas at the time.



NOW IT'S HISTORY—Members of an early Kentucky Military Academy class head for training at Camp Breckinridge. The program has changed since those days, but the same "hustle" is still sought.

Guard seeks proposals for 1976 General Assembly

All Guardsmen gained benefits from legislation enacted by the 1974 Kentucky General Assembly. The bills provided a variety of benefits, ranging from a clothing allowance for newly-commissioned officers to a tax break for all Guardsmen.

Maj. Gen. Richard L. Frymire, the Adjutant General, recognizing that good legislation comes about only through hard work

by dedicated people, said in a recent interview that it is not too early for Guardsmen to think about legislation to be proposed to the 1976 General Assembly. He explained that any area requiring legislative action can be considered.

Anyone with proposals should forward them to Capt. Thomas G. Mooney, President of the National Guard Association of Kentucky.

Bureau advises students to make financial plans

National Guard officers and enlisted people who are scheduled to attend service schools should do some financial planning, according to the National Guard Bureau.

Bureau officials report that some Army

National Guardsmen are experiencing financial hardships because all payments due often are not received until 30 days after arrival at schools. Students should be prepared to defray expenses for up to 30 days, therefore, to avoid problems.

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