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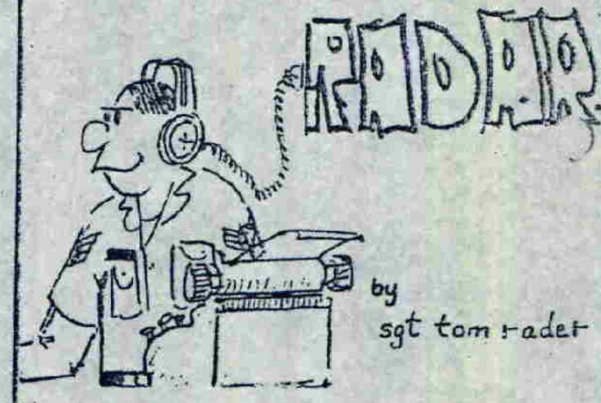
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COMMANDER RAPS WITH FIRST FOUR COUNCIL

"I earnestly solicit any recommendation on how to make this a better outfit. It is my sincere desire that the First Four Council will become a forum where airmen can sound off about things they don't like". With these comments Col. James R. Ashford opened the Aug. 12 meeting of the First Four Council. Furthermore, he stated, "I promise, (1) that I will seriously consider any recommendations or bitches that you have and (2) that I will get back to you with answers. Many times I hope that answer will be Hell yes; that's what we'll do. Other times it will have to be Yes although we had to modify your recommendation slightly like this. Sometimes the answer will have to be I regret we can't but here is why."

No doubt one of the questions that will arise in the latter category will involve haircuts. In that area the commander reflected "I have no authority to authorize a change in the regulations, although we are making a real effort to effect change through the National Guard Bureau."

Commander Ashford closed his comments by indicating his hope that the First Four Council would meet regularly, and saying, "I want to make sure you get the point that we want your honest input".

Sgt Regan Matsumura, outgoing chairman of the council has called a meeting of the council for Sept 16 (today) at 1300 in the dispensary. A new chairman will be selected at that time. All airmen are encouraged to present their ideas and gripes at that meeting or to their representatives, according to Sgt Matsumura.



## HIANG MAN TRAVELS TO AFRICA

Ground Safety Technician, SSgt Glenn Miyashiro, recently traveled to Africa under the auspices of the National Science Foundation. Glenn was a member of a three man team from the University of Hawaii which included Dr. Jack Zirker and Dr. Richard Wolf. They were in Chinouetti, Mauritania to perform special experiments associated with the recent solar eclipse. The eclipse lasted six minutes and 19 seconds. Glenn reports that another eclipse of this length will not appear until the year 2142.

The team performed two basic experiments using spectrographic analysis. The ultimate use of their findings will be to better understand how the sun produces energy, to determine how the sun's energy affects our solar system.

Glenn has some truly interesting stories about his trip which he would be glad to share with you. Stop in the Safety Office and say hello to a scientist and guardsman.

MSgt. Tom Kato caught a record sized ulua off Barber's Point last week...161 Now theres a fish story....right Tom?

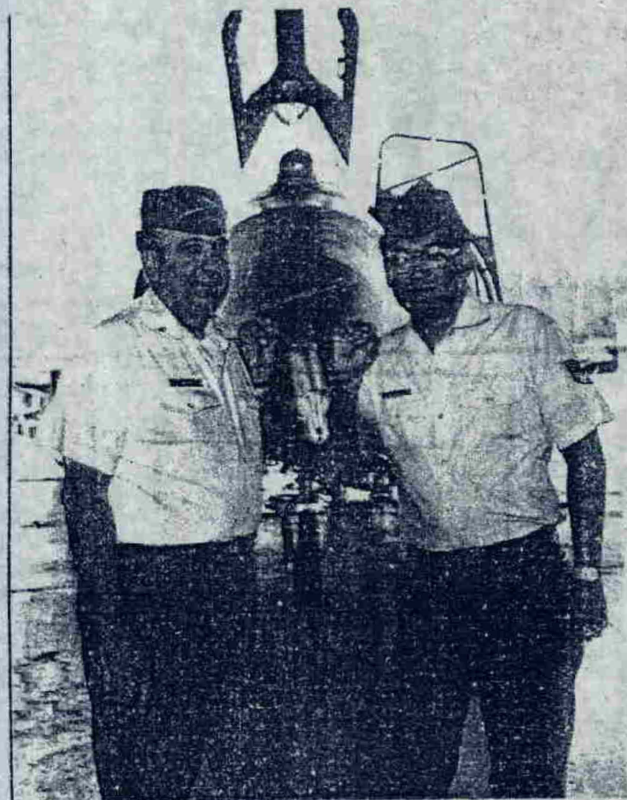
Hats off to Bob....on Sept. 3, Sgt. Robert Yamada (comptroller's section) and his wife Carol became proud parents of a baby girl. Michelle is the newest of the Yamadas. Keep up the good work Bob!

## THREE RECEIVE MAJOR AWARDS

HIANG Commander Robert B. Maguire presented members of the 154th FIG with awards for outstanding performance during this morning's formation ceremonies.

MSgt. Delbert D. Dandurant received an Outstanding Airman Ribbon for being named a recipient of an Honorable Mention in Air National Guard and Air Force Association Outstanding Airman competition. (See related story.)

Dandurant received the Military Achievement Award during the ANG NCO Academy, class of 73-C. He has been commended for dedication and professionalism during duty as well as off duty.



COMMENDATION MEDAL AWARDEES -- Lt. Col. Harold T. Mattos and MSgt. Dennis I. Kagihara were awarded Hawaii National Guard Commendation Medals for outstanding service during this morning's formation.

--Photo By SSgt. Roy Kawamura



OUTSTANDING -- MSgt. Delbert Dandurant on the job at Comptroller's section.

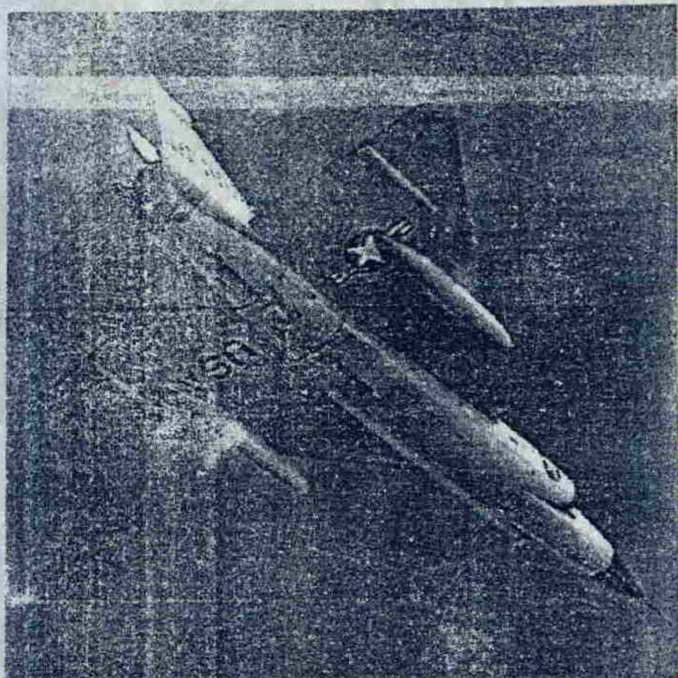
## WIN COMMENDATION MEDALS

Hawaii National Guard Commendation medals were presented to Lt. Col. Harold T. Mattos and MSgt. Dennis I. Kagihara during the ceremony.

Lt. Col. Mattos was noted for his expert management of supplies funds during FY 73 despite serious cutbacks. He created a "cost conscious" attitude among personnel throughout the organization that enabled his 154th CAM Sq. to accomplish its mission within austere allocations.

MSgt. Dennis Kagihara, of the 154th CSG Personnel Office, was noted for his achievements during the conversion of the manual personnel data system to the BMTS B3500 computer system. The period of adjustment required extraordinary efforts on Kagihara's part to keep current information as well as incoming data coded and precise.

## F-102'S ATTACK U.S. NAVY, AUSSIE SHIPS IN MAJOR SEA "BATTLE"



F-102s of the 199th FIS attacked ships of the U.S. Navy and Australian Navy sailing off Hawaii in the biggest war games in recent history. The Good Guys played the 'Baddies' for nearly a week, as the 199th launched over 20 sorties against the USS Kitty Hawk and the HMS Melbourne.

Flying at near supersonic speeds, the F-102 Deuces hurled themselves from positions beneath B-47 and A-7 aircraft toward the ships, attempting to simulate enemy air to surface missiles.

RIMPAC, the code name for the joint allied exercises, will wind up in a couple of days, culminating with the invasion of Barking Sands Beach on Kauai.

### The Call for Help

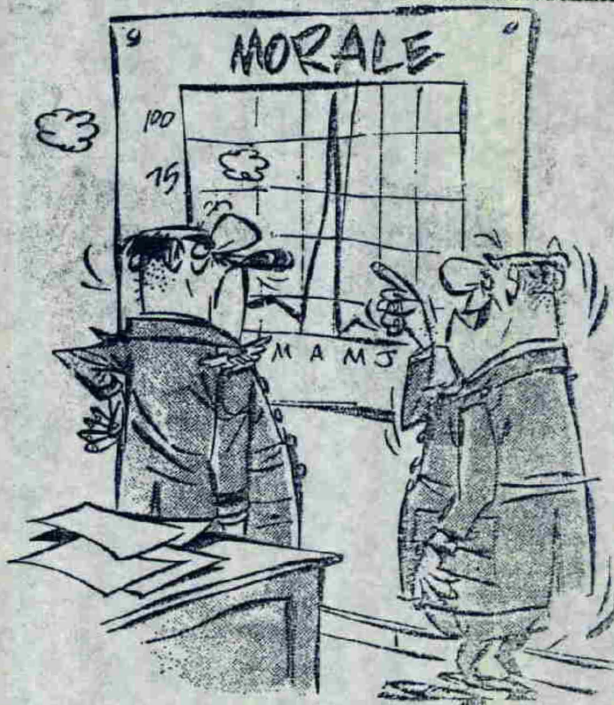
### A SEARCH IS BEING CONDUCTED

A search is being conducted for an active duty Recruiter for a period of six months, full-time, to be possibly extended for a year, by CBPO.

TSgt. Richard Saunders, Jr. and Maj. Richard Settsu are asking members of the Air Guard to come in for an interview. Upon acceptance, the prospective recruiter will be sent to Recruiter School for four weeks at Lackland AFB.

Basically, salesmanship, speaking ability and public contact personality are taught at the school.

## sorry 'bout that...



" THAT REPRESENTS THE TIME YOU WERE ON VACATION."

"TANG RECRUITER RICHARD SAUNDERS  
IS PHOTOGRAPHED BY NEW RECRUIT  
SGT SOLOMON FORD OF PHOTO LAB



### FREEDOMS FOUNDATION WRITING CONTEST CLOSES 1 NOVEMBER

Washington, D.C. (NGAUS) "Human Goals -- Values for Living" is the subject of this year's Freedom's Foundation essay contest open to all servicemen. Entries must be received before November 1 to compete for the \$1000 purse.

The entries, either in letter form for essay or poetry should contain from 100 to 500 words and should be sent to: Freedom's Foundation, Valley Forge, Pennsylvania 19481.

### LOW RANKING GUARDSMEN ENTITLED TO BA

Washington, D.C. (NGAUS) A change in Defense Department policy now entitles National Guardsmen with less than four year service and under the rank of E-4 to draw quarters allowances for active duty of less than 30 days.

The change will mean a bigger payche for many Guardsmen attending annual training. In the past, only duty of more than 30 days qualified a Guardsman or Reservist for Basic Allowance for Quarters (BAQ), but now the entitlements and pay allowances are the same for Guardsmen as for the Active services.

### IMPORTANT NOTICE TO ALL OF YOUR FRIENDS WHO RETIRED PRIOR TO 20 SEPTEMBER 1972

GUARDSMEN AND RESERVISTS WHO WERE RETIRED PRIOR TO 20 SEPTEMBER 72 MUST ACT NOW IF THEY PLAN TO ENROLL IN THE SURVIVORS BENEFIT PLAN. THEY MUST CHOOSE BEFORE 20 SEPTEMBER

73 OR THEY BECOME INELIGIBLE. THOSE WHO REACHED RETIREMENT AGE AFTER 20 SEPTEMBER 72 ARE AUTOMATICALLY ENROLLED.

### COLOR PHOTOS OF DEUCES FOR SALE

A limited quantity of full color photos of an F-102 Delta Dagger belonging to the 154th FIG in flight are available at the group information office. Contact Capt. Sherwood Chock or TSgt. Wallace Asa for the prints, available at cost.

In a recent interview 154th FIG Safety Officer, Maj. George Joy discussed the possible causes of the loss of a HIANG F-102. The pilot reported engine overheating registering 800 degrees and then complete engine failure on final emergency approach to runway 4R. At the time of engine failure the pilot was not in position to glide to the runway so he turned the aircraft away from the airport complex and ejected.

A Navy harbor clearnace unit was successful in recovering the engine of the aircraft. This was the first time that HIANG had had the opportunity to examine an engine from an aircraft that had failed in flight. The accompanying picture taken by the safety team shows that the 1st and 9th stage compressor blades were quite undamaged. However, it is apparent that the remaining stages have been destroyed resulting in complete engine failure.

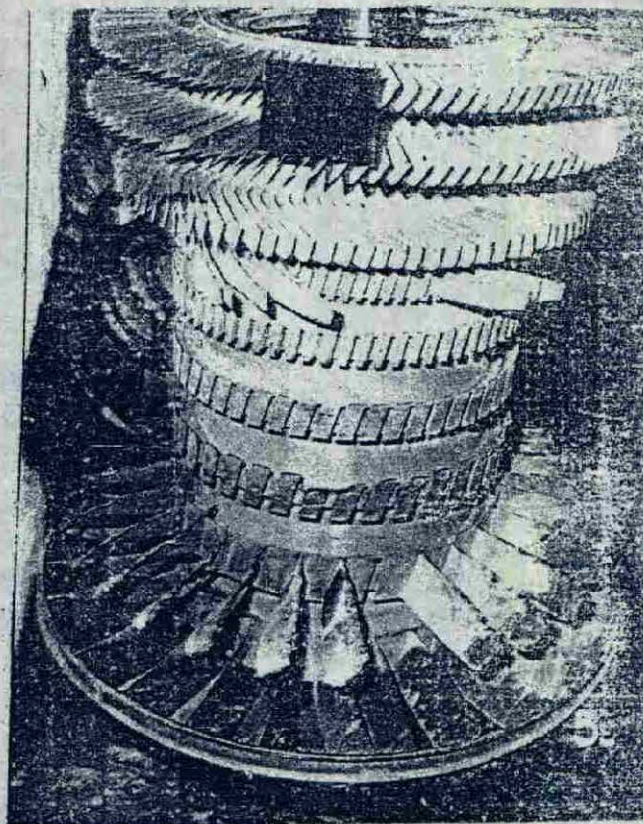
It was the consensus of the investigating committee that the blade locking device of one of the blades in the 4th or 5th stages failed, thereby releasing one of the compressor blades which then destroyed the remaining blades. Thus it would seem to be a case of material failure although that can not be conclusively proved because the small locking device was not recovered.

On the plus side, Maj. Joy noted that the ejection and parachute systems functioned perfectly and offered his congratulations to the Egress Shop.

## SENATE ARMED SERVICES COMMITTEE OK'S AIRCRAFT BUY FOR AIR GUARD

Washington, D.C. (NGAUS) The Senate Armed Services Committee recently approved a proposal that would earmark \$70 million to buy 24 A-7D aircraft specifically for the Air National Guard. If the proposal is approved by the full Congress and funds appropriated, it will be the first direct "buy" authorized for the Air Guard since the Korean War.

Maj. General Henry W. McMillan, NGAUS President, recently urged Congressional leaders to consider a modernization of the Air Guard fleet, with direct procurement authorization.



## CRACK LOAD CREW CHOSEN

Crew No. 4 of the 154th CAM Sq. received the 154th FIG's Outstanding Weapons Load Crew Trophy from Col. James R. Ashford, 154th FIG commander, at this morning's formation.

Members of the Outstanding Crew included Sergeants Lester Takato, Warren Sugimoto and Glenn Miyashiro, all of whom are supervised by SSgt Cirilo Valera, crew chief.

The trophy is presented semi-annually to the load crew which attains the highest number of competitive points based upon weapons loading; speed in performing fast turnarounds and safety during loading and unloading of munitions. An examination is conducted, together with consideration of military appearance and conduct.



MISS SEPTEMBER IS A GORGEOUS GAL NAMED KANANI MELIN...

A SINGER AND DANCER, KANANI ENTERTAINS IN WAIKIKI'S BIGGEST SHOWS AT NIGHT; BY DAY, YOU'LL FIND HER ON THE BEACH.

## 154TH FIG "A" TEAM TAKES CHAMPIONSHIP



### SPORTS SPOTLIGHT

Last Saturday Drill found the Combat Support Sq volley ball tournament underway. The first game was an exciting contest between transportation and comptroller. Comptroller made a come back after getting skunked 7-0 in the first game, to sneak by transportation 15-10 and 15-2. The second game was a trounce by CBPO over the team of Food Service and HQ/CSS, 15-10 and 15-2.

TSgt Charles Calvin announced today that the Air Tech Bowling League, now in its 10th year, is currently being lead by Supply Sq. He also announced the start of a new award in the HANG TRIO... "Bowler of the Month". Charlie said that the award will be given by a secret committee and will be based on attendance, sportsmanship, the pins bowled above the bowler's average and other such factors.

Friday night the 154th did it again. Last year it was mountain ball and this year they proved that they are just as good at slow pitch. The "A" Team trounced Army's Provisional Bn. The game was called at 5 innings when the 154th lead by ten runs, 14 to 4. It was the "A" Team's second win over Provisional Bn. during the tourney. The play-offs were required after the 154th lost a squeaker, 6-5 to Provisional Bn.

Now the Oahu Champs will defend their state title on September 29 and 30 at Lanakila Field. Competing in the Hawaii National Guard Championships will be teams from the Big Island, Maui, Kauai, Molokai and the Oahu runners-up, Army's Provisional Bn.

MSgt Wayne Soma extends his thanks to everyone for turning out for the season and to the supporters for participation at the games. Lt. Col. Lota was a great help, providing a little beer for the championship celebration. However, Col. Ashford wisely refrained from attending the play-off game. It seems that the one game he was able to attend during the tournament turned out to be the "A" Team's only loss. The players appreciate his understanding.

The 154th FIG "A" and "B" teams are coached by TSgt Val Wong. Pitching duties for the Championship "A" Team were shared by TSgt Charlie Calvin and MSgt Rudy Luat.

The 154th FIG "B" Team also participated in the tournament. They finished with a 2 and 2 record. Congrats for the good work to this gang which was mostly drill status men.