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YC-14 MAKES FIRST FLIGHT

The Air Force YC-14 prototype transport made its first flight August 9. The YC-14 is Boeing's entry into the advanced medium short takeoff and landing (AMST) test program. YC-14 "No. 1" took off from Boeing Field International for a 2-hour-36-minute flight. The other entry in the AMST program is the McDonnell Douglas YC-15 now in flight testing at Edwards AFB, Calif.

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NEW ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR M&RA SWORN IN

Nita Ashcraft was sworn in as assistant secretary of the Air Force for manpower and reserve affairs August 12. She succeeds David P. Taylor who became assistant secretary of defense for manpower and reserve affairs.

PACAF WINS SOCIAL ACTIONS AWARD

Pacific Air Forces was presented the 1975 Col. L. Joseph Brown Award August 17 at a Pentagon ceremony. The Brown award is presented annually to the major command having made the most significant contributions to equal opportunity, drug/alcohol abuse control and human relations education.

B- TESTS MISSILE LAUNCHER

A B=1 test aircraft completed the first rotation of the short range attack missile rotary launcher during its 12th test mission at Edwards AFB, Calif. Forward-looking infrared was used as part of the aircraft's navigation system. Automatic instrument landing approaches were also flown on the 1-hour-43-minute flight.

WOMEN IN THE AIR FORCE

The acronym, "WAF" is no longer an official term, according to Interim Message Change 1 to AFR 35-30, dated 20 February 1976, when referring to any one category of Air Force military women. Use of the term "Military Women" or "Women in the 'ir Force" is encouraged.

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Scholarships, HANG Outstanding Airman's Award, Group Insurance, HNGEA Discount Boying List, Golf Tournament. These are but a few benefits that are part of the Hawaii National Guard Enlisted Association.

To join, contact your unit representative:

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154	CSS	SGT Iris Kabazawa	154 CAM TSG Raymond Choy (Avionics)
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54	CAM	A1C Yvette Miraflor (Admin)	199 WEA TSG Blaine Tsugawa

PAID ADVERTISING APPROVED BY DOD

WASHINGTON (AFNS) — The Department of Defense (DOD) has informed the services that beginning October 1, 1976, they may buy broadcast advertising time for recruiting programs. The decision whether to include paid broadcast advertising in a service's overall recruitment advertising program is at the discretion of each military service.

DOD has not employed paid broadcast advertising in support of military recruiting since 1971. In the meantime, the military services have developed their advertising media plans without access to either radio or television advertising except on a public service basis.

In 1975 the Office of the Secretary of Defense began an analysis of the relative effectiveness of paid broadcast advertising in support of all the volunteer force. Results of a study of paid broadcast advertising indicate that this may offer an epportunity for the military service to improve the cost effectiveness of their advertising media in support of military recruitment.

MILITARY STRENGTH UP

WASHINGTON (AFNS) - Total numerical strength of the armed forces on June 30, ased on preliminary reports, was 2,081,912. This represents an increase of 1,099 from May 31.

dune strength figures for each military service follow:

Total DOD	2,081,912
Army	779,415
Navy	524,678
Marine Corps	192,404
Air Force	585,415

The figures represent full-time military personnel of both the regular force and reserves on continuous active duty. It also includes officer candidates, including cadets at the service academies.

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Committee on Continuity: Chairman: Brig. Gen. Edward Yoshimasu, Retired

154th SUPPLY SQUADRON HAPPENINGS

Sgt. Maria E. Wright has recently joined our squadron as an administrative specialist. She is an ex-USAF-type, and transferred here from the Battle Creek, Michigan ANG unit. Sgt. Wright, a student at the U.H., is the third woman to join our squadron. Welcome aboard!

"TECH SCHOOL"

Sgt. Glenn I. Sugawara of the Fuels Management Branch is presently at Chanute AFB, Illinois attending the 3ABR63130 Fuels Specialist course. He graduates on 9 Nov 76 and will return here shortly thereafter. Sgt. Sugawara is crosstraining from the material Facilities Specialist area.

"TDY"

TSgt. Alfredo Canopin of the Supplies Management Branch and TSgt. Frank Yamamoto of the Equipment Management Branch are presently pulling duty at the Logistics Readiness Center (LRC), National Guard Bureau, Pentagon, Washington, D.C. We understand they brought a few cases of pineapples and macadamia nuts to spread the Hawaiian Aloha Spirit. Both will take a delay enroute prior to returning home. Leaving on 18 Sep 76 for the same duty will be: TSgt. Harrison Iga, Item Accounting Branch and TSgt. Clayton Tanayose, Equipment Management Branch.

* THIS SPACE RESERVED FOR THOSE UNITS WHO DID NOT SUBMIT UNIT NEWS *

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By Major Eddie Anderson

I had lunch with new Advertiser columnist, George Daacon (sounds like Bacon), who said. "Why the hell don't you start a three dot column at your unit and ask Guardsmen to contribute just as Dave (Donnaly) and I do?" I agreed, but it's going to be a four dotter A word about that back gate: Sometime, next month it is supposed to be closed permanently. I'll bet it is late October or early November. Any takers?.... If you think the next drill is 2-3 October, forget it. Dates have been changed to 16-17, so you can vote on the 2nd of October. And, while on the subject of voting, DO IT! Someone over at PACAF said, "Why do we provide the Air Guard with security on their ramp?" Answer: "Because we have always done it." Question: "How much money would we save by knocking it off?" Answer: (Classified). Order: "Knock it off." And while on the subject, our security people will occasionally rope off the ramp "for drill" to break any bad habits we may develop The reason Alert Flight has been moved back to our ramp: We're short of F-102 mechanics. When they are not tinkering with the Alert birds, they can assist with the other turkeys ... Colonel Ashford said, "Congratulate your Open House committee. They did one hell of a good job." You heard him ... The Air Force was 29 years old yesterday ad we're 30 years old in November. It doesn't matter how you cut it, that makes the HANG older than the United States Air Force ... The last flight of the F-102 is scheduled for mid-day 30 October and you should be here. Ask your employer to let you off for a few hours. Better yet, bring him ... Retirement ceremonies for Army Guard Brig Gen Edward M. Yoshimasu was held yesterday at 10 A.M. in Diamond Head Crater. General Yoshimasu was Deputy Adjutant General and a good friend of the HANG. Fifty percent of the participants at the ceremony were Air Guardsmen from the 154th, 201st and 169th. Incidentally, the 154th Clinic supplied two medics and cur ambulance to standby during the ceremonies. Did you know we always supply an ambulance for these affairs? The Army Guard doesn't have an ambulance?.... Sgt Melvin Wong of our Clinic very recently returned from a vacation in Taiwan. Ask him about his visits to the various tea houses. Wow In support of our Kauai Air Guard units (the 150th and 201st), Clinic personnel performed 13 physicals at the Wainea Veterans Hospital, following which the group enjoyed a picnic at Salt Pond in Hanapepe. Fred Miura was team leader and helping him were Cal Ishinose, Wait Chang, Tosh Watabayashi, Brenda Menchaca and Lanette Muracka. Lanette's folks put on the bash. Nice people George Kawaguchi, Hq 154th, doing a good job in selling tickets to the HANG-30 Luau to be held 6 November at Blaisdell Memorial Center. And if you don't go, you will be missing one hell of a great party. While on the subject, if you had to pay the full tab for a dance band, the dinner, beer and the admission to six ethnic shows, the tickets would cost \$18.25 each. Our price: 8 bucks?.... Had your chuckle today? Group Safety Officer. Captain Geof Avery cut his head slightly on an F-4 access door at Luke!... Enough already!

T was born on July 4th, 1776, and the Declaration of Independence is my birth sertificate.

The bloodlines of the world run in my veins, because I offered freedom to the oppressed. I am many things: I am the nation.

I am more than 200 million souls — and the ghost of many millions more who have lived and died for me.

I am Nathan Hale and Paul Revere. I shood at Lexington and fired the shot heard around the world. I am Washington. Jefferson and Patrick Henry, John Paul Jones, the Green Mountain boys and Davy Crockett, Lee and Grant and Abe Lancoln.

I remember the Alamo, the Maine and Fearl Harbor. When Freedom called I answered and stayed until it was over, Over There. I left my heroic dead in Flanders Fields, on the Rock of Corregidor, on the bleak slopes of Korea and in the steaming jungles of Viet Nam.

I am the Brooklyn Bridge, the wheat lands of Kansas and the granite hills of Vermont. I am the coal fields of the Virginias and Pennsylvania, the Cartile lands of the west, the Golden Jate and the Grand Canyon.

Tam Independence Hall and the Liberty Bell, the Monitor and the Merrymone,

I am big. I sprawl from the Atlantic to the Pacific. My arms reach out to exprass Alaska and Hawaii . . . taree million square miles throbbing with analytry. I am more than three million farms. I am forest, field, mountain and desert. I am quiet villages and cities that never sleep.

You can look at me and see Ben Franklin walking down the streets of Philadelphia with his breadload under his arm. You can see Betsy Ross with her needle. You can see the lights of Christmas and hear the strains of "Auld Lang Syne" as the calendar turns.

I am Babe Ruth and the World Series.

I am 130,000 schools and colleges and 326,000 churches, synagogues and temples where my people worship as they think best.

I am a ballot dropped in a box, the roar of a crowd in a stadium and the voice of a choir in a cathedral. I am an editorial in a newspaper and a letter to a congressman.

I am Eli Whitney and Stephen Foster. I am Tom Edison, Albert Einstein and the Wright brothers. I am Horace Greeley, Will Rogers and George Gershwin.

I am George Washington Carver, Daniel Webster and Jonas Salk.

I am Mark Twain, Longfellow, Irving Berlin, Walt Whitman and Thomas Paine.

I am Lincoln, and McKinley, the Kennedy brothers and Martin Luther King.

Yes, I am the nation, and these are the things I am. I was conceived in Freedom and, God willing, in Freedom I will spend the rest of my days.

May I always possess the integrity, the courage and the strength to keep myself unshackled, to remain a citadel of Freedom and a beacon of hope to the world.

This is my wish, my goal, my prayer in the year of 1976 . . . two hundred years after I was born.