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F-104'S TO A.G.

Some ANG tac units are programmed for Mach 2 (over 1400 mph) F104A Lockheed "Starfighters" before the end of '60, according to The National Guardsman (Jan '60). Although the plan is still under study, the Guard hopes for "two ANG Squadrons in the new birds some time after next 1 July."

AF decided to shift over the earlier model F104 A's and B's from air defense to tac missions as they were not equipped with Data Link Computers to mesh with SAGE ground-controlled defense systems. The planes are coming from our Active squadrons that the Air Force will inactivate.

MED. COVERAGE

"In a reaffirmation of the 'portal to portal' principle, the Comptroller General recently ruled that a Guardsman or Reservist who is disabled during drill is entitled to the same benefits--pension, compensation, medical care, and pay and allowances---...---but only if his injury is incurred between muster and dismissal, and only if he actually is engaged in his prescribed duties.

"Injuries received en route to or from drill, or outside the normal course of his training duties, do not qualify him for the benefits."

(From The National Guardsman, Dec. 1959)

SUPPORT SQUADRON APPROVED

LTCOL WALTER F. JUDD, EXECUTIVE OFFICER, HAS JUST BEEN INFORMED OF APPROVAL BY THE NATIONAL GUARD BUREAU OF THE PROPOSED PLANS FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF A SUPPORT SQUADRON.

UPON RECEIPT OF FORMAL APPROVAL FROM STATE HEADQUARTERS, THE PRESENT FIGHTER SQUADRON WILL BE REORGANIZED INTO A TACTICAL AND A SUPPORT SQUADRON. THE 199TH FIGHTER INTERCEPTOR SQUADRON WILL RETAIN ITS DESIGNATION, WHILE THE SUPPORT SQUADRON WILL BE DESIGNATED AT A LATER DATE.

WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE OPERATIONS AND AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE SECTIONS, ALL OTHER SECTIONS WILL BE TRANSFERRED TO THE SUPPORT SQUADRON.

TOTAL STRENGTH OF THE SUPPORT SQUADRON IS ESTIMATED AT 590 MEN.

BOTH SQUADRONS WILL CONTINUE TO OCCUPY THE QUARTERS THEY NOW USE.

Tax Note: W-2 Forms will be mailed to you tomorrow.

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GENERAL NEWS

E - 8 and E - 9 TESTS

The Air Force Senior Advisor's Office has informed us that the initial Supervisory Examination for all master sergeants who qualify for promotion to E - 8 will be given in February.

To be eligible for promotion to E - 8, you must have at least twenty-four (24) months in the grade of master sergeant and ten (10) years total enlisted service. For E - 9, you must have ten (10) years total enlisted service and at least one (1) year in the grade of E - 8.

Squadron Headquarters will do the necessary screening to determine eligibility. Headquarters will also establish the date for testing.

NEW SQUADRON AREA

Col. Jack Blanchard, Air Force Senior Advisor, brought back some good news from Washington in which he stated that the plans for the Squadron training area should be approved and back in Honolulu by February 1st.

The plans should be ready for bids by February 15th and returned within 45 days. Construction is slated to begin in mid-April. Completion date is about 16 months later.

ENLISTEES

Eight new men have recently joined the 199th. The new enlistees are: A/IC James F. McDermott and A/IC Hiroshi Toguchi, Airman Basics: James K. Akina, Norman K. Kaneshiro, Ernesto E. Bonilla, Raymond N. Antone, William E. Anana, and Raymond N. Choy.

WELCOME....to MSGT LOUIS J. LA BADIE of Denver, Colorado. He's the man you've se about the area with MSGT Ted Hussy. Louis, A World War II veteren, is present employed at Hickam A.F.B. as a Management Analyst. Aloha and Welcome to the 199th

PROMOTIONS

Congratulations to the following airmen on their recent promotion:

To Airman Second Class, Fausto Allosada, James M. Caires, Raymond Infanté, Reynaldo F. Jantoc and Raymond A. Mow.

To Airman Third Class, Melvin Q. H. Chang, Alvin Aspera, Arthur B. Fitzsimmons Jr., Norman T. Ginoza, Raymond W. Lum, and Douglas K. Okada.

HAWAII IN '60

According to Lt. Col. Walter F. Judd, Executive Officer, the estimated attendance for the National Guard Conference in Hawaii is better than THREE THOUSAND people. If the current trend in conference reservations continues, this may be the largest conference held in Hawaii to date. Col. Judd conservatively estimates that ea person attending the conference will spend at least \$ 100.00 each. On just those registered to date, it amounts to \$ 300,000.00. The National Guard is 'Big Business' and its "HAWAII IN '60".

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DAFFY DEFINITIONS

"IT'S IN PROCESS".....

This means that it is so wrapped up in red tape that the situation is almost hopeless!