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## NEW FIRST LIEUTENANTS IN 199TH FIS

Promoted as of 6 Dec. were former 2Lts. Roger A. C. Moore, John Morley, and Daniel G. K. Stone, Jr. The gold bars were replaced by silver as the pilots completed three years in grade.

All three joined the 154th on the same day, December 6, 1962, as pilot trainees. Lt. Moore is employed by Bank of Hawaii, Lt. Morley is a HANG alert pilot, and Lt. Stone works for Hawaiian Airlines.

## OFFICER AND NCO ASSOCIATIONS QUERIED

Members of the HNG Association and the HNG NCO Association are being given questionnaires concerning group life insurance.

All officers and NCOs are asked to complete the questionnaire. Please drop the questionnaire in the box at Group Headquarters.

### NOTICE TO ROYAL GUARDS

There will be a very important meeting today at 1500 in the 154th Dining Hall.

Bring your ballots -- election of the Ka Moi Board Members will be held.

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR!!

See you next year! 22-23 January 1966

## 154TH TO "HOST" 109TH ACWRON NEXT YEAR

Battery Selfridge will have new tenants next month as the 109th Aircraft Control and Warning Squadron moves into new quarters at Hickam.

The 109th, which may be converted in the future into a mobile communications squadron, will conduct weekend drills when the 154th is not scheduled.

The 109th, one of the "older" units in the HANG, is commanded by Major Paul S. Mori.

Some of our airmen were toddlers in 1950, but the oldtimers will recall the birth that year of the 109th.

A descendant of the old 199th, the 109th originally called Hickam "home", but later moved to Battery Closson. Subsequent sites of the 109th included Koko Crater, Sand Island, Punamano in Kahuku, then again to Koko Crater. The squadron's return to Hickam in January completes the cycle.

Welcome home, 109th!

## SMSGT KIM SELECTED TEMPORARY HANG AIDE

Last week EMSGt Anthony Kim of 154 CAMRON was hand-picked to perform duty at HANG Headquarters from 16-31 Dec.

This tradition was begun when MSGt. George Joaquin was chosen to perform aide duties at Hq HANG. A military driver's license is required and the aide reports to work in blues.

AIR GUARD TO GET LIGHTWEIGHT RIFLES

AF News Service reports that ANG units will begin receiving new light-weight M-16 rifles next spring. The M-16 replaces the .30 cal. carbines now in use.

Air Police sections will be the first to be equipped with the new weapons.

The M-16 fires a 5.56mm cartridge with a muzzle velocity of 3,250 feet per second. It fires at the rate of 750-800 rounds per minute and can be readily switched back and forth from automatic to semiautomatic.

The new rifle has been adopted for use throughout the Air Force. It has been in extensive use in Vietnam.

(This news release ends speculation that our AP Section has been selling sausages in order to buy new weapons.)

Him: Since I met you I no can eat,  
no can sleep, no can drink.

Her: How come, brudda?

Him: I broke.

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PROMOTIONS MARK ANTI-POVERTY ADVANCES

Christmas came early this year for six men as their promotions were announced recently.

Raised to MSGT was Howard A. Okite of Base Supply. Flight Simulator's Guy Matsuguma turned in one rocker for two as he took on TSGT stripes. Randall Lum (Weapons) and Clayton Tamayose (Base Supply) sewed on NCO stripes for the first time as they were promoted to SSGT. David Reese of Fire Control became A1C.

HANG Comptroller's Robert Yamada she@ the single stripe for two A2C.

GROUP PERSONNEL IN VARIOUS TRAINING

Five 154 CAMRON men will be taking part in C-54 Flight Mechanic Training next week at Hickam. The men, all assigned to the HANG C-54 are: TSgt Samuel Saffery III, TSgt Edward Uyeda, SSgt James Davis Jr., SSgt Abraham K. Hapo, and A1C David J. Costa Jr.

Just back from making a liaison supply staff visit to Kokee AFS were supply experts Major Richard Settsu, Capt Daniel Au, SMSGT Libert Yap, and TSgt Donald Kim.

199 Weather Flt. Commander, Major James A. Forsyth, will be undergoing five day's training to participate in an orientation tour of weather units. We hope this will improve the weather we've been having.

Oshiro: My wife is always asking for money. Last week she wanted \$100.... the other day she asked for \$50, this morning she wanted \$75.

Kaneshiro: What does she do with all that money?

Oshiro: I don't know. I never give her any.

Last month we announced that the MATRON team captained by TSgt Donald Kim took first place in the HNG Bowling Tournament. Other members of the champion team included: TSgts Lloyd Seki, Norman Tkachenko, Jose Aquino, SSgt Wallace Akagi, and A1Cs Wallace Takasane and Roy Kuwahara.

Next month another HNG Bowling League will begin. There's room for 24 teams. If interested, check with Bowling Czar Wally Asato in Group Hq.

BEMO advises that fatigue uniform components are in short supply. Basic trainees will receive fatigue requirements at Lackland AFB. The situation is not expected to improve until June.

THE 154TH AT WAR

[ During JTF 119 exercises key personnel man the 154th Command Post. Except to those who work in the CP, the Air Guardsman on the "outside" knows little of what goes on in the CP. KUKAILIMOKU peeked in the CP yesterday while the 154th built up to maximum readiness. ]

At 0350 the word goes out -- "Cocked Pistol". Recall procedures go into effect. Air Guard families are awakened as HANG men respond.

Air Police of the Group are already on security guard duty when the men of the 154th double-time to their work stations.

Pilots of the 199th Fighter Interceptor Squadron check out personal gear and flying equipment. They will man the weapons -- the supersonic Deuces. Personnel of the HANG radar sites will direct the jets to their targets.

Support elements of the 154th gear themselves to meet mobilization needs. Maintenance, communications, supply, food service -- all must be ready.

In the Command Post the big picture of all this activity is converted into meaningful facts and figures so that command decisions can be made to insure the mission's success.

Heading the Battle Staff is Colonel James Ashford, Group Commander. He and his staff keep a close watch on the data coming into the CP. They resolve local problems immediately, and advise Headquarters of any major problems affecting the overall operations. They issue orders and carry out orders to insure that the job is being done -- and being done immediately. Communications tie all key local work stations to the CP and also enable the CP to maintain contact with other members of the Air Defense team elsewhere.

Helping Col. Ashford are the Deputy Commander Operations, Lt Colonel George Duncan, and the Deputy Commander Materiel, Major Tyler Harr. Captain James Wetzel, Intelligence Officer, compiles and passes on information vital to the Group and to other members of the Air Defense team.

Operations Duty Officer, Captain Rex Hitchcock directs posting of current data about flying operations. His team makes it possible to fulfill weapons requirements. Manning the status boards are TSgt Richard Oshiro and SSgt Henry Yamaguchi. The board shows pilots assigned, those not scheduled to fly, and those on standby at the flight line "Saimin Stand".

Captain Norman Ault has charge of maintenance control. His team includes SMSgt Toshio Oshiro, MSgt Harry Awana, and SSgts Wilfred Ching, Jaime Amorin, and Ken Tamanaha. They receive trouble calls from the flight line and notify maintenance to send the required number and kind of specialist to effect immediate repairs to aircraft, they slot aircraft according to their readiness status, they coordinate with operations when Deuces are needed, and they keep a visual display of each of the birds as to their readiness status. They also record and maintain records so that the facts about the condition of each bird will be available and up-to-date.

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GROUP "OLDTIMERS" TO BE HONORED

The closing formation of the year will see many "old-timers" singled out to receive honors.

The 20-year Hour Glass clasp to the HNG service medal for 20 years of continuous service in the Hawaii National Guard will be awarded by HANG Commander Brig. Gen. Valentine A. Siefertmann to Col. James Ashford, Lt. Colonels Jarrett Carr, and George Duncan.

The AF Reserve Service Medal with 15-year bar will be awarded to five men: Major Tai Song Hong, Captain John Beaumont, MSgt Lino Fernandez, SSgts Francis Leandro, and Herbert Panoke.

Other recipients will be pinned with the HNG 10-year Service Medal and the AF Reserve 10-year Service Medal.

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ECL NEWS

70% is no longer a passing grade for ECI students. Minimum passing score is now 85% on volume review exercises.

The new policy centers around the closed-book course examination which was begun 1 September 1965. The new policy is designed to improve correspondence course education opportunities for both officers and airmen.

MSGT CONSTANCE TO RETIRE FROM GUARD

After 23 years of faithful and devoted service in Texas and Hawaii, MSgt William Constance Jr. will cap his military career by retirement this month.

MSgt Constance has over 15 years of service distinguished by no absences in the Hawaii Air National Guard. He retires as Supply Training NCOIC of Base Supply. Our best wishes go to a true "old-timer".

The 154th At War (Cont'd from page 3.)

Another important role of the operations and maintenance teams at the CP is to direct the utilization of personnel in the flight line following a nuclear detonation. Exposure of personnel to radiation from fall-out must be closely monitored so that the man in the field is not exposed beyond certain limits.

The Disaster Control Team in the CP sits on top of this problem. Members of the DCT included MSgts George Sato, Ralph Kaneshiro, James Oshiro, SSgts Tony Dias, Ronald Nagano, and A3C George Brooks. This vital team receives incoming reports of nuclear detonations, analyzes and computes the effects of "nudets" and plots the information on wall charts. Wind patterns, severity and kinds of detonations, and exact time and location of detonations are computed and charted. From this information the Commander is advised of the situation and all available facts made known to him and appropriate courses of action taken by Group personnel. If necessary, the Commander gives the word to sound the siren signal to "take-cover" and the DCT effectuates exposure control procedures to determine the amount of radiation caused by fall-out.

This then, in brief, is what goes on in the CP. This summary of CP activities gives an insight into the inner workings of the Group "nerve center" on which a large part of the success or failure of the 154th at war depends.

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