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CAPT JOHN LEE CHOSEN BEST HANG PILOT

Captain John S. W. Lee of the 199th FIS has been chosen the HANG Outstanding Interceptor Pilot for the period 1 July 1964 to 30 June 1965. The award is given each year to the jet fighter pilot in the HANG who demonstrates outstanding proficiency in flying.

Capt. Lee is a graduate of Farrington High School and the UH and earned his MA in Education in 1964. He joined the 199th in 1963 and was on active duty with USAF from 1956-1962 when he flew F-84, F-86, and F-100 aircraft for TAC in Europe. He is a teacher at UH Elementary School.

Weapons Director of the Year was 1Lt Roy D. Mendes, 169th ACWROM, who received the George T. Miki Memorial Trophy. Outstanding HANG Airman was MSGT. Kenneth S. Kiyabu, also of the 169th.

RECENT GROUP PROMOTIONS

There's an old West Point song that goes: "Old Captains never die... they get promoted to Major..." Joining the exclusive Field Grade Club were Melvin Yen (Flying Safety); Richard Settsu (154 Mat Sq); and 199 FIS pilots Alex Bell, Roger Clissold, Tai Sung Hong, and Gerald Sada. Eugene Lee of 154 Disp and Don Walker of 199 FIS were promoted to Captain.

Adding new stripes were new SMSgt Libert Yap of 154 Mat Sq, new TSgt Don Castenada of CBPO, and new ALC Jason Chun of 154 Mat Sq.

That suave doctor with the new oak leaves (Lt Col) is none other than our Claude Caver, M. D. Drop in for a cigar at the Dispensary.

STOCK MARKET TIP. (Advertisement)

Buy Kaiser Cement and Gypsum stock. Record sales for Oahu are anticipated. New Assistant District Sales Manager has been appointed. He is our Group Exec, Captain Carl Thoene.

**** NEXT DRILL DATES: 21-22 AUG ****

154TH REORGANIZATION ESTABLISHED 1 JULY

If you received orders changing your Unit Manning Document position recently the reason for this is the reorganization of the 154th to improve the use of personnel.

Realignment of positions within the Group took place 1 July 1965 with the issuance of new UMD's.

Detachments 1 & 2 of the 154th have been inactivated with the personnel involved transferred to the units or to Group Headquarters.

Authorized positions by unit are:

	OFF	AMN	TOTAL
Hq 154 Ftr Gp (AD)	17	29	46
199 FIS	30	16	46
154 Cmbt Spt Sq (AD)	16	189	205
154 USAF Disp (AD)	6	16	22
154 Mat Sq (AD)	12	444	456
	81	694	775

Hq HANG retains operational control over the following support functions assigned to the Group: Base Procurement, Comptroller, CBPO, Base Supply, and BEMO.

Proposed plans to set up a Consolidated Maintenance Squadron have been shelved.

AIR TECH VACANCY

Job Title: Supply Tech-Admin Clk
Salary: NGC-6 \$5266 - \$6331 (minimum hiring rates)
Location: Missile Storage Area
Duties: Administrative, typing, filing, supply, etc.
Apply With: Captain John Beaumont or TSgt Lloyd Seki 441840 or 442723

Must be able to type; knowledge of basic supply procedures is mandatory.

Position to be filled 1 November 1965; interviews will be held beginning in August. Use HANG Form 7e for application.

An EditorialWILL WE BE READY?These are facts:

1. The PACAF ORI Team expected a great deal more from us, and as a result, our rating did not measure up to expectations.
2. Many operations can be greatly improved. One of these is RECALL.
3. We will be given another chance to show what we can do.

These are assumptions:

1. Another ORI will be called real soon -- maybe next week, or the week after, or the next following week. It may be during a scheduled week-end drill, but it is just as likely to be any weekend.
2. We may be recalled at any hour.

These are questions which need answers:

1. Are recall lists up-to-date? Are they complete?
2. Are recall lists carried at all times in case we are called at work?
3. Will there be someone at home who can locate you in case you're out?
4. Can you be counted on to do your part to insure that the 154th makes the grade and upholds its proud tradition of being the BEST HANG UNIT?

PERSONNEL IN THE NEWS

Retiring after more than 18 years in the Hawaii Air Guard was "Charter Member" CWO W3 Joseph L. Barnett of Base Supply. Joe retires with almost 22 years of military service.

We welcome Capt Herbert K. Nemoto, formerly of the 150th ACWRON, joining 154 Mat Sq last month. He holds AFS as Navigator and Weapons Controller, was on EAD from 1956 to 1963 after graduating from UH in mathematics. He is assigned as Aerosp Munitions Off.

Lt Allen Mizumoto will be assigned to 150th ACWRON as Comm-Elect Staff Officer next week. Allen will miss the Big Town. This assignment will give him an opportunity to do missionary work among the natives employed by the Kokee Site.

Capt. Arthur M. Gay, whose TDY with 154 Disp as Medical Officer began a few months ago, has joined HANG. Aloha also to Major John S Carroll, 199 FIS who left to attend Law School in Texas and is back home sweating out the Bar exam and with the ol' 199th gang again.

Back to School: Major Melvin Yen, to Air Command and Staff College for 44 weeks. SMSGt David Pontes, 154 Mat Sq, TSgt Richard T. Oshiro, 199 FIS, and TSgt Donald T. S. Kim, 154 Mat Sq, to ADC NCO Academy, Hamilton AFB, Cal. Capt John Beaumont, 154 Mat Sq, to F-102 Worldwide Munitions Loading Conference in Wisconsin.

Two new pilot trainees are on the mainland: 1Lt William Crozier III, and 2Lt Anthony Hodges.

"ANDY" SAYS ALOHA TO HIS 154 FG TROOPS

Our "Friendly Air Force Advisor" SMSGt Andrew J. Morris, puts in his final Hawaiian-type drill this weekend.

He and his family depart for Sawyer AFB, Michigan. Andy's farewell note to the 154th says:

"My tour here has been a very pleasant one and you all have helped to make it that way. My special farewell is to all of my 4-month Active Duty troops (all 241 of you) half of whom pulled their OJT AD tour on Hickam.

"My replacement, SMSGt M. E. Snyder arrives 26 August. Treat him well. Aloha and Mahalo for everything."

FROM THE NATIONAL GUARDSMAN

The July issue of The National Guardsman reported that there is substantial agreement that servicemen should get a pay raise. The only question being debated is: How much?

Department of Defense recommended a 5% boost across the board for all who have more than two years of service, 2.7% for those with less than two years service, and none for reservists except when in active Federal service.

The House Armed Services Committee has instead proposed increases averaging 10% and including reservists in the raise.

The bill is now before the Senate and the final outcome will depend on the action taken by both houses.