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TAX BILL FAILS

The two bills sponsored by the National Guard Association of Hawaii, which provided for exclusion of \$1,500.00 of military pay from state income tax, failed to clear the 1969 legislature.

However, a compromise version, provided for exclusion of \$500 of military pay for those residing in the state for up to 300 days, did pass the senate in the form of SB '80 Senate Draft 1. Unfortunately the House Finance Committee failed to report the Senate Bill out thus killing the measure for the 1969 session. The matter will automatically come up again next session but renewed efforts will have to be made to gain passage of the measure.

The Association's legislative committees, both Officer and NCO branches, appeared before the Senate Ways and Means Committee to make a presentation and answer questions on the bills. This was followed by approximately 250 letters from Air Guardsmen to their legislators, the result of a Commander's Call presentation and a strenuous push during the April drill by the legislative committee. The letters evidently had some effect, primarily on the senators, but failed to move a sufficient number of Representatives in the house.

Although the tax exemption we desired did not go through, the legislative committee feels that the effort was not in vain. Many

valuable contacts were made and certain legislators were won over to our proposal. Our thanks go to all legislators who backed our proposal, particularly Senators Donald Nishimura, Donald Ching and Fred Rohlfing and Representatives Richard Kawakami and Charles Ushijima for their concern and support.

Also, the committee appreciates the efforts of all guardsmen who took the time and trouble to write letters, for without them, it is doubtful our proposal would have gone as far as it did. Perhaps the next time, with an even more intensive letter-writing campaign, and without a state government employee pay raise proposal hanging heavy over their heads, legislators can be persuaded to pass a tax exemption.

F-89 SCORPION TO LEAVE GUARD

The F-89 Scorpion--for more than 10 years the mainstay in the Air National Guard "runway alert" mission--will be removed from the ANG inventory by mid-year.

The two remaining F-89 units will convert to other aircraft and take on new missions.

The 132nd Fighter Group, Iowa Air National Guard, will receive F-84 aircraft and be assigned a tactical fighter role in June. The 101st Fighter Group, Maine Air National Guard, will complete its conversion to F-102 aircraft in July and take up an air defense mission.

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GROUP PARTY SATURDAY

A Group party to be held in the hangar area, is planned for Saturday noon 7 June to which all officers and airmen are invited.

Food (steaks with the trimmings) entertainment, beer, hostesses and a number of surprises are planned. Project Officer is Capt Anderson.

A number of regular Air Force guests, those who have greatly assisted us in our operation in past years, have been invited and will be hosted by Guard counterparts.

Because clean-up committees are never popular, we are asking each individual to put his trash in receptacles placed about the area. If paper plates and cups are left scattered, it will be necessary to put together a cleanup committee "on the spot", something we don't want to do.

Please believe that a number of surprises have been planned. Be there. When the beer gives out, it's "everybody out of the pool!"

AIR GUARD DEMOBILIZED

The 188th Tactical Fighter Squadron, a New Mexico Air National Guard unit deployed to Tuy Hoa AB, Vietnam, last year after mobilization, returned home for deactivation.

The F-100 unit is the third mobilized ANG squadron to return home after duty in the Republic of Vietnam. The 120th TFS returned to Buckley Field, Colo., from Phan Rang AB in April. In mid-May the 174th TFS departed Phu Cat for Sioux City, Iowa.

During its year in Southeast Asia, the 188th flew 5,636 combat missions, dropping more than 6,000 tons of bombs. The squadron was commanded by Lt. Col Fred J. Fink.

NEWS FROM THE 199TH FIS

Well, the ORI has come and gone and we're okay for another 18 months. It is little more than a technicality that prevents us from obtaining the top rating; generally the pilots made a very good showing.

And so we begin our first two-week summer encampment in the past several years; A flight struck out for Bonham Monday but didn't get a landing clearance until it was convinced to call it "Barking Sands". Returning sunburned with plenty fish, they assumed Alert duties as B flight headed for Bonham for a couple days. Following next week are C and D flights. The overnites at the pad will be carried by the drill status types who were unable to make camp for one reason or another, thus giving the rest of us time to spend our money at the BX.

The Fighter Squadron said aloha to a fighter pilot Saturday night at the Hickam Officers Club; Col. Carl Weaver is with Headquarters PACAF and will be reassigned soon. He has spent the last several years flying with the 199th and has asked the pilots to join him in the Lurline Ballroom (pier 10) on June 16 from 1330-1530. Try the Promenade Deck "aft and amidships".

SAC TRAINS ON F-111

Strategic Air Command aircrews are receiving flying training in the F-111A at the 4527th Combat Crew Training Squadron.

Crew members receive 75 hours of academics, six hours of simulator training and 20 hours flying time in the F-111A. This is the first of six such classes which will train 46 officers for the SAC lead-in program.

SOMETHING YOU SHOULD KNOW

During the first few days of any Active Duty for Training period we must adjust from the civilian to the military way of life. Some make the change quickly; others take a few days.

IMPORTANT

We strongly suggest that you read "Standards of Civilian Dress and Personal Appearance" which has been distributed to your squadron. This not only covers your appearance but the appearance of your dependents in the BX and Commissary. For instance: no hair curlers and short shorts or short dresses. READ IT! It would be very embarrassing if your wife were asked to leave the BX just because you didn't inform her of this code.

JUNK AND RUBBISH

During every ACDUTRA period, we have the problem of trash. Please do not place paper cups, etc. in the ashtrays. Additionally if you see a piece of paper, empty can, stoop and scoop and place in the nearest container. This goes for our parking lots, too.

No one gets a bang out of being placed on a "polkce" detail. Obviously, if each does his share of picking up carelessly discarded crap, details would not be necessary. Kinda makes for a more pleasant camp.

THIS IS A NO-NO

Walking through the area in a T-shirt or without hat is a no-no, and will bring about an embarrassing verbal exchange between you and a senior airman. And it might lead to a little pot scrubbing in Loui's Restaurant.

COMMON SENSE

Many of these rules and regulations are simply a matter of common sense. For instance, when you go out on a pass, remember: you represent the entire HANG and any unbecoming conduct will reflect unfavorably on the Air Guard. Besides, we don't have any bail money in the kitty!

GOOD GUYS

The Hawaii Air National Guard, particularly the Fighter Group, has an excellent image in the community. We of the Group must strive to see that it stays that way.

CROSS TRAINING FLIGHTS

A number of cross training flights have been set up for Air Guardsmen who (1) have never seen our Bonham(Barking Sands) operation and (2) for those who have never seen our Aircraft Control and Warning(radar) squadrons.

Four flights have been scheduled. The first is tomorrow, Friday 6 June. The second through fourth are 10,11,12 June.

Thirty-three airmen, Staff Sergeants and below, will be selected for each trip. Quotas have been assigned to each squadron. We need name, rank, serial number and weight of each man selected. This information must be forwarded to Cap Eddie Anderson, Group Info Officer one day prior to departure of each flight.

Departure aboard our C-54 is scheduled for 0900 on each day. The aircraft will land at Bonham following which each airman will be given a tour of the base. Then the group will be bussed to Kokee, for a tour of the 150th AC&W Squadron. Sandwiches will be provided each airman through the courtesy of Loui's Restaurant. Weather permitting, lunch will be eaten in Kokee National Park. Departure from Kokee Park is approximately 1330, arriving at Bonham at 1430.

The C-54 will depart appx. 1500 hours, arriving Hickam 1600 hours.

In addition to being good for training, these flights are designed to "give the troops a little R&R". If you want to thank anyone thank Col. Ashford!

PROMOTIONS

Congrats to recently promoted SSgt Edwin K.T. Goo of Hq 154 FG and ALCs Alfred A.T. Nip and Clyde S. Sasaki of 154 Cmbt Spt Sq.