

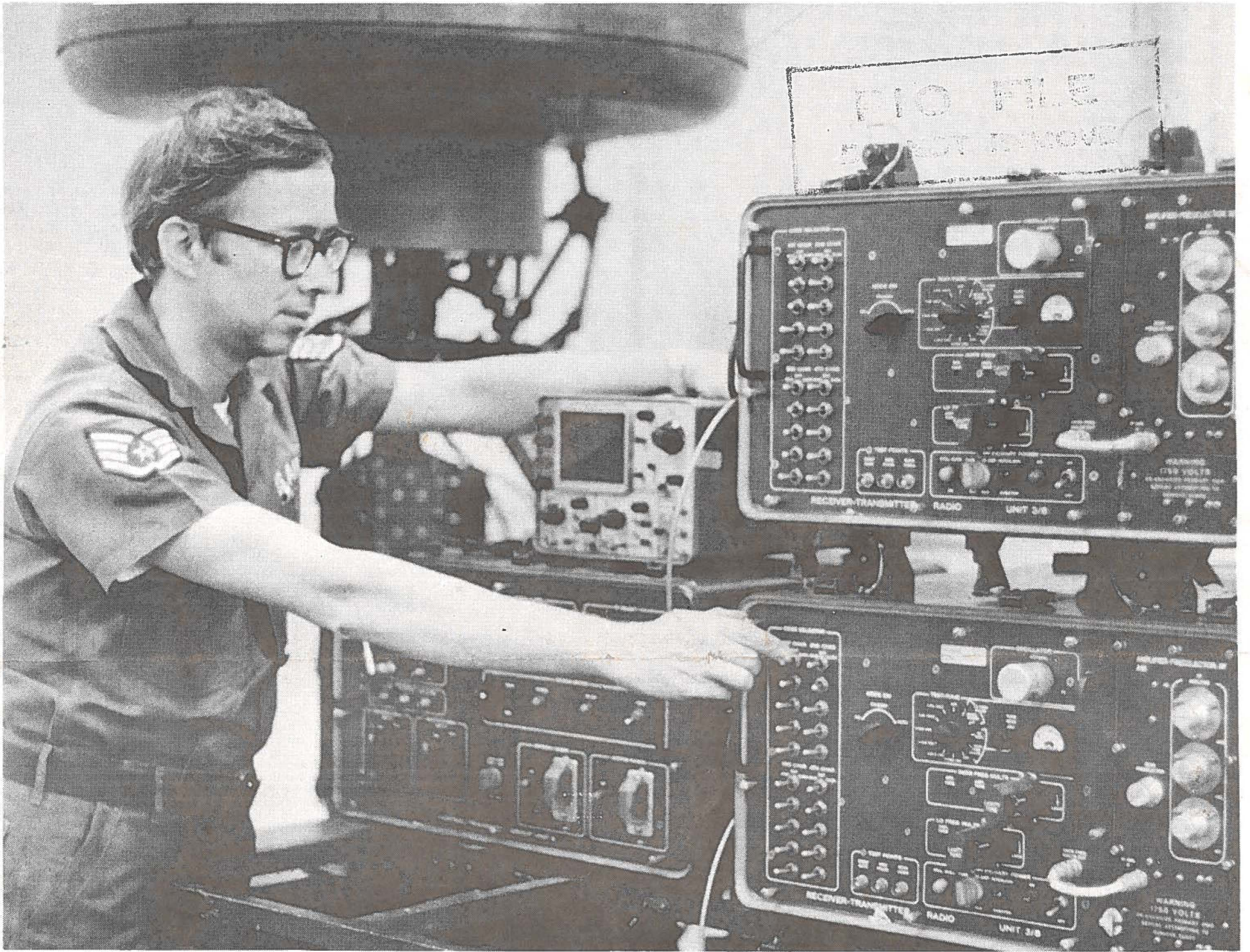
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On a quiet weekend...

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On Maui. . .



On Oahu. . .



On Kauai. . .

Dollars threatened

National legislation

By Capt John Maier
PAO, Editor

Current recommendations before the U.S. Congress in the Department of Defense Legislative Addendum to the FY 77 Budget include proposals to transfer a percent of Army and Air Guardsmen from Category A to B drill status (48 drills to 24 drills) and limit dual compensation during annual training for guardsmen who are full-time Federal Civil Service employees.

The reduction of drills would change the direction of over half a century of consistent national policy regarding employment of reserve forces in the defense force of the nation.

Reduction of annual training and Federal pay compensation would establish an unfavorable trend which could erode state and private sector support.

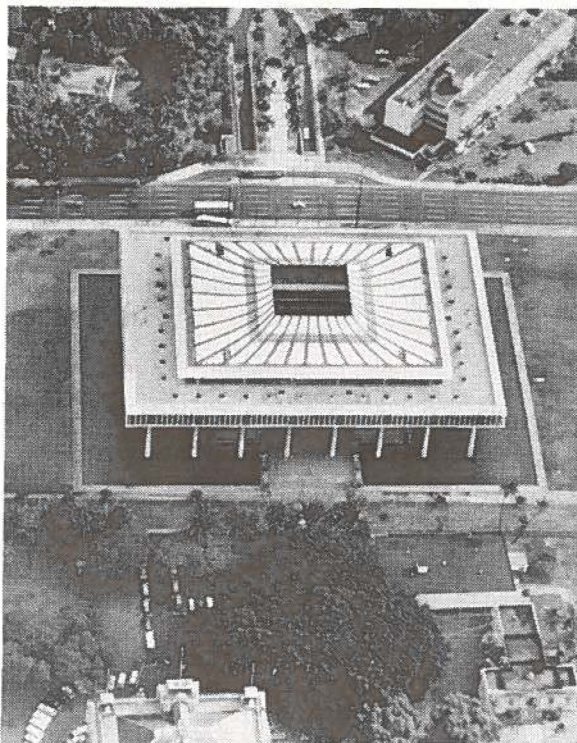
This concerns you.

Hawaii Army National Guard and Air National Guard personnel collectively could lose \$1.4 million from their Guard pay checks. Add the proposed COLA deletion and the potential loss of income to guardsmen and our State is substantial.

Your Hawaii National Guard officer and enlisted associations have already met and developed unified action and coordinated their efforts with those of management to oppose their legislation. However, the basis of all the action is you the individual guardsman. You are the one that is going to lose the most.

Hearings in Congress are currently underway and must be completed by **March 15**.

Don't sit back. Contact your unit commander or your association's officer or legislative committee members to get the details AND contact your representatives in Congress — Senators Inouye and Fong and Representatives Matsunaga and Mink.



State Capitol — The eighth state legislature is now in session.

In the state legislature

Legislation before the current State Legislature which affects all Army and Air National Guardsmen includes:

A Bill for an act which amends the law to provide that the Attorney General shall defend all civil and criminal actions which may be brought against a member of the Army or Air National Guard or the state militia during performance of their duties under an emergency call-up.

A Bill for an act which would provide state tuition assistance to members of the Hawaii Army and Air National Guard.

A Bill for an act which would amend the update portions of the Hawaii Revised Statutes which concern themselves with military justice.

A Bill for an act which would provide death benefits for the next of kin for Army and Air National Guardsmen killed in the line of duty.

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HNGEA Serves you

By SP5 Dennis Fuji
PAO, Associate Editor

Attention all enlisted guardsmen and women There is an association for you. If you are between the ranks of E-1 through E-9, you qualify to join the Hawaii National Guard Enlisted Association.

What is the Association all about?

The Enlisted Association offers its members many benefits including a group insurance plan, discounts at various stores in town, a direct communication line to the Adjutant General's office, and communities which undertake many programs that benefit you, the member.

For example, House Resolution #315 is co-authored by State House Representatives (CSM) Mitsuo Shito and (SMSgt) Kenneth Kiyabu. If passed, the resolution will provide Hawaii Guardsmen with an interim State Tuition Assistance Program.

The Scholarship Committee of the HNG Enlisted Association has announced the opening for applications for scholarships for 1976-77.

The scholarship program is open to all current regular members, associate members, and/or dependents of members who have been in the Enlisted Association for at least one year.

Applicants must be or will be enrolled as a full-time student carrying no less than the minimum amount of credits per semester to meet graduation requirements and must be enrolled or will be enrolled in an accredited institution of higher education of his or her choice.

"For the past several years, an increasing amount of guardsmen have been the recipients of the scholarship grants," said MSG Lester K. Nakaichi, Scholarship Committee chairman.

IN MEMORIAM

TSgt Guy M. Matsuguma
1937-1976

He devoted thousands of volunteer hours teaching cardio-pulmonary resuscitation methods to ambulance crews, policemen, firemen, and union and military personnel, and will be missed by his friends.

If you are interested and qualify, write to:

HNGEA Scholarship
ATTN: SGM Lester K. Nakaichi
HQ, 159th Service Battalion
Ft Ruger, Hawaii 96816

Deadline for applications is May 15, 1976.

The HNG Enlisted Association is also planning to hold its annual luau on June 26, 1976. The luau will be held in Diamond Head Crater. The program for the evening will be full of entertainment, election of officers, more entertainment, committee reports, awards, and still more entertainment, and with all that delicious food, this is truly a year of more.

For information about the Hawaii National Guard Enlisted Association, contact your unit coordinator or write to:
HNG Enlisted Association Ft Ruger, Hawaii 96816

Converting to metric

An international standard of weights and measures has become increasingly necessary with the changing times. A "standard of standards" is required in this shrinking world of improved transportation, communications, and active international trade.

Although metrics may seem like a foreign language when compared to our system of inches, feet, and yards, it is, in reality, the simpler system.

The metric system is a decimal system — based on the number 10. All areas within the system relate to each other, whether it is weight, distance, or capacity.

A gram is the unit of weight, a liter the unit of capacity, and the cubic meter the measure of volume.

To illustrate the relationship of one measure to another, consider that 10 millimeters equal a centimeter, 10 centimeters equal a decimeter, and 10 decimeters equal a meter. Their relationship to our present system, however, is hopelessly complex in terms of exact comparisons. For example, a meter is 39.37 inches, or 3.37 inches greater than a yard.

Our present system does not lend itself to simple arithmetic, because it is not based on a system of tens. Moreover, the complicated use of fractions in our English System will be eliminated following adoption of the metric system.

To assist in the transaction, the National Bureau of Standards has published a concise package of metric information that will be very beneficial to teachers, students, business people, and consumers in understanding and using the metric system of measurement.

Metric measurements are now starting to be used in conjunction with our current measurement units. The transition, however, will take place over a period of years. Official adoption of the metric system will become effective only after Congress passes legislation approving the changeover.

CD responds

By Fred C. Pugarelli
PIO, Civil Defense

Five hundred people were evacuated from the Haleiwa-Waialua and Makaha-Waianae area of Oahu Island on February 6 to 8, 1976, when flooding caused by very heavy rains drenched homes in those locales.

A State Civil Defense spokesman said, "Three shelters were opened up by the Oahu County CD Agency in the affected areas and accommodated approximately 300 persons overnight." No lives were lost.

Total damage caused by the flood, which was preceded by high winds, was about \$274,000. This included private damage of \$219,000 and public damage of \$55,000.

Hawaii Gov. George R. Ariyoshi and MajGen Valentine A. Siefermann, State director of Civil Defense and adjutant general, both toured the stricken areas.

One small private irrigation reservoir of 1.5 million gallons in the Makaha Valley area threatened to rupture and was pumped into an adjacent reservoir to minimize danger.

City and County of Honolulu and State agencies were mobilized for rescue, evacuation, debris clearance and other emergency functions. National Guard troops and equipment were mobilized and placed on alert for emergency rescue and evacuation in all areas.



PROUD AND HAPPY — SSgt. Alwyn N. Kakuda, of the 150th AC&W Squadron, traveled from Kauai to represent the Guard in the Hawaii State Jaycees "Outstanding Young Men" Contest. SSgt. Kakuda was presented the award by Major General Valentine A. Siefermann, State adjutant general.



CPT Orlan Peterson, commander, 293rd Service Co.

CPT Peterson thanks his men

By SP4 Sandra Mascoto
117th PI Det, HARNG

CPT Orlan L. Peterson, commander of the 293d Service Company (Aircraft Maintenance) was recently named the Outstanding Company Grade Commander of the Year.

MajGen Valentine A. Seifermann presented the award to CPT Peterson during the annual banquet of the Hawaii National Guard Association, which was held at the 829th Armory.

Since CPT Peterson took over the 293d Service Company on July 1, 1974, the company's strength has reached 100 percent, and proficiency has increased dramatically.

After he received the award, Peterson said, "I don't know exactly what led up to this, but I do

know that it would never have happened if it weren't for the dedication of my officers, noncommissioned officers and enlisted people."

CPT Peterson joined the Army Guard in November 1965. He was activated with the 29th Infantry Brigade in May 1968, but remained on active duty until June 30, 1974.

While in Vietnam, CPT Peterson was with the I Corps as an aircraft commander and an aircraft maintenance officer. Medals he received include the Distinguished Flying Cross, a Bronze Star, 12 Air Medals (2 for valor), 2 Army Commendation Medals (1 for valor), the Vietnam Cross for Gallantry, the Vietnam Campaign Medal, the Vietnam Service Medal and the National Defense Medal.

CPT Peterson lives with his wife, Pamela, and their son in Mililani Town.

201st expands to Neighbor Islands

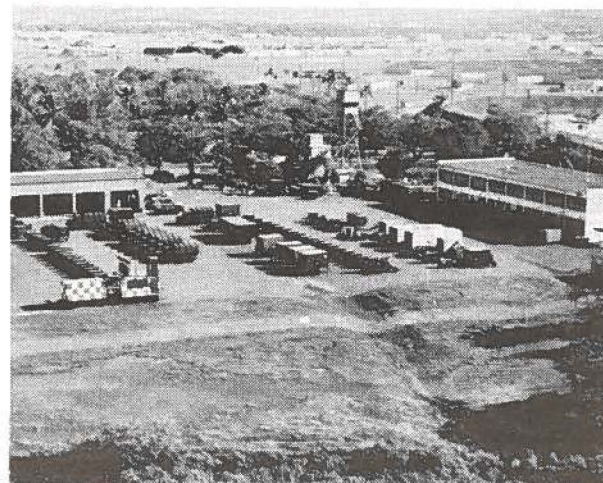
Achieves group structure

By Capt John Maier
PAO, Editor

The new 201st Mobile Communications Group, recently activated from squadron structure, will significantly expand Hawaii Air National Guard presence on the islands of Hawaii, Kauai and Maui.

The 201stMCG, commanded by Lt Col K. Paul Goya, and now the Hawaii Air National Guard's second group structure along with 154th Fighter Interceptor Group, has as its mission to provide mobile communications and air traffic control support within the Total Force policy. The men of the 201stMCG are increasingly present on the neighbor islands with various unit moves in progress, or scheduled.

A group headquarters (HQ 201stMCG) has been activated at Hickam Air Force Base and will remain collocated with the 202nd Mobil Communications



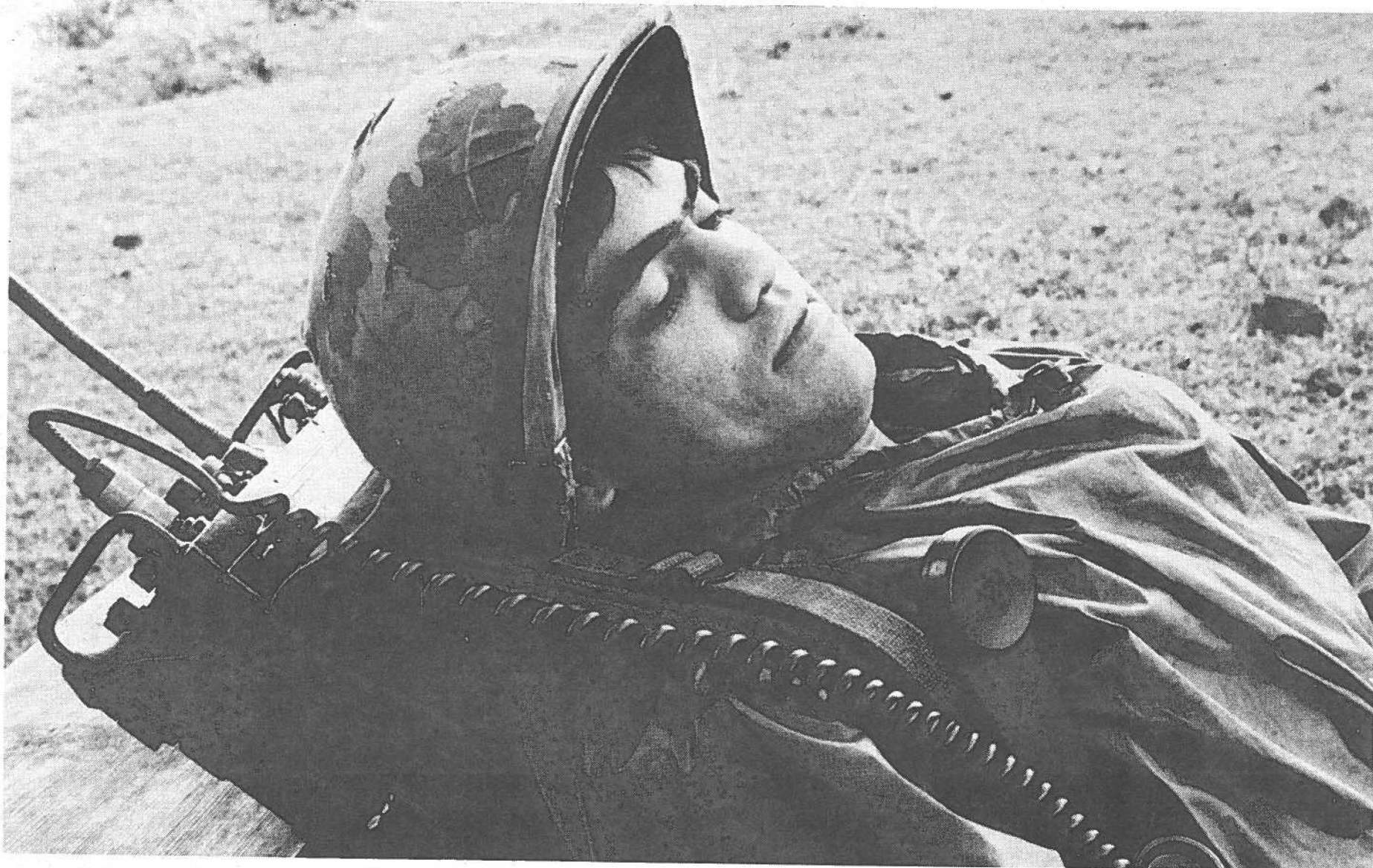
THE BACKYARD — The home of the 201st, and its backyard of equipment.

Flight. The 201st Mobile Communications Squadron has relocated in Hilo, Hawaii, and the 202nd Air Traffic Control Flight will follow, locating at Kona in 1977. The 202nd Air Traffic Control Flight, presently drilling at Kekaha Armory on Kauai, will relocate to Barking Sands, Kauai, and the 201st Mobile Communications Flight will, in the future, relocate from Hickam AFB to Kahului, Maui.

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ACTIVATION — State Adjutant General, Major General Valentine A. Siefermann, congratulates members of the newly activated 201st Mobile Communications Group.



Maui guardsmen strive to upgrade readiness

By SP5 Dennis Fujii
PAO, Associate Editor

The Hawaii Army National Guard joined old and young alike, from the island of Maui braving adverse weather conditions and participated in the March of Dimes, Maui Chapter, Walk-A-Thon on February 7, 1976.

Starting at 7 a.m., walkers began their cause-worthy journey of 23 miles which took them over rain soaked roads from Baldwin High School in Wailuku, through Puunene, Kihei, Kahului, then finally back to Wailuku.

Pacing the walkers, in key locations, were the men of the Hawaii Army National Guard.

Members of Headquarters and "C" Company, 1st Battalion, 299th Infantry from Kahului, supported the Walk-A-Thon with check-point stations.

Campaign chairman for the March of Dimes, Maui Chapter, Mr. Ron Texeira, said, "The National Guard has always played a vital role in assisting our chapter in the Walk-A-Thon for the past several years. Besides providing man power, the Guard has also provided us with equipment like tents and 2½ ton 'Deuces' which will serve as 'poop-out wagons' to pick up participants who are unable to complete the course."

Major Shigeto Murayama, commander of the 1st Battalion, overseeing the Guard's participation in the Walk-A-Thon said, "With the increasing demands for Guard readiness, we manage to support the community with service projects, because we are also a part of this community."

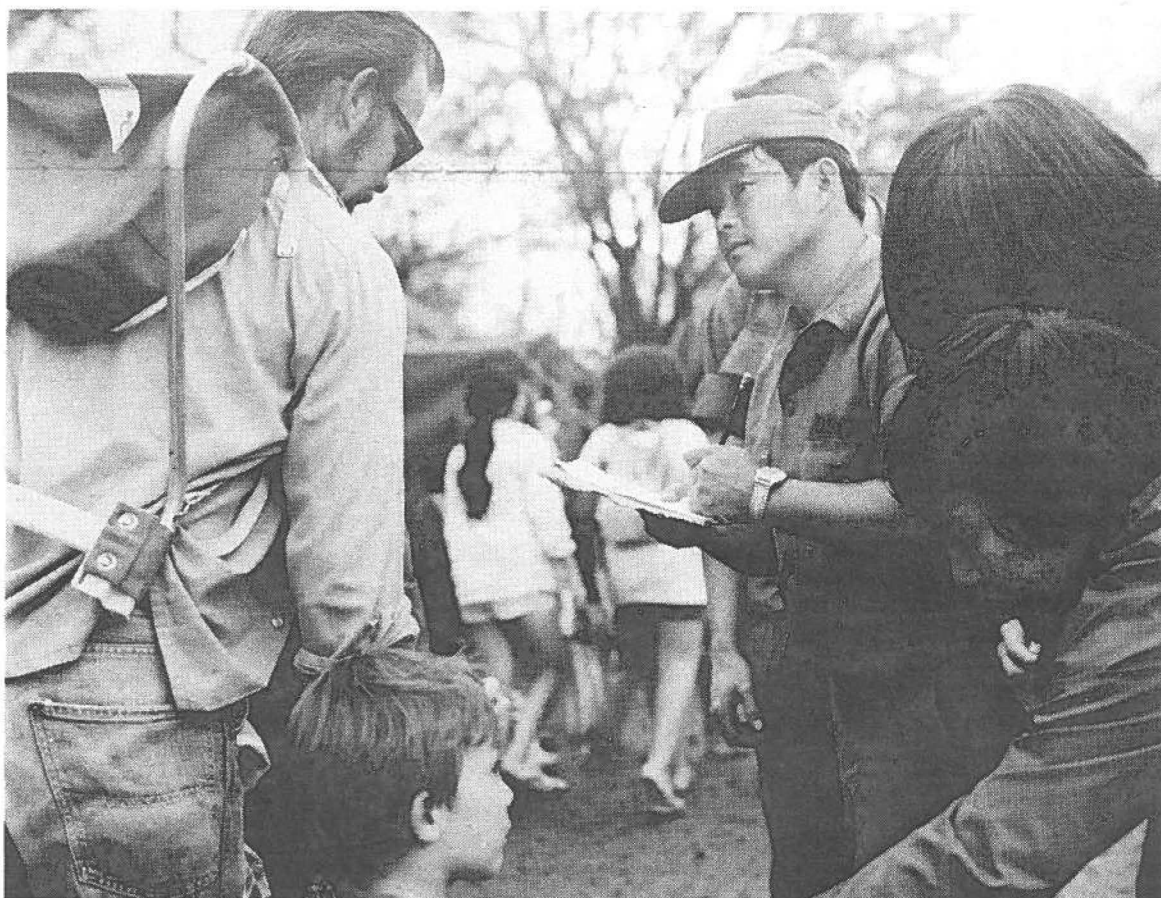
Last year, more than 900 persons participated in the Walk-A-Thon, contributing \$35,000 worth of pledges to the March of Dimes.

March of Dimes officials said the turnout for the charitable event was similar to that of last year, when heavy rain also affected participation.

One of the participants in the march, which the Army Guard is especially proud of, is Explorer Post #299.

Sponsored by the Guard's 1st Battalion, 299th Infantry, the Explorer Post received the George R. Carter Perpetual Award last year as the Outstanding Explorer Post for the County of Maui.

Advisor of Post #299, SFC George Abe said, "Members of our unit who participate in Post activities like camping trips, giving classes in first aid, marksmanship, and land navigation, have expressed that teaching the children leaves them with an additional amount of pride for the community."





Photos and story by 1Lt Gregg Kakesako and SP5 Dennis Fujii—117th Staff



WAILUKU, Maui — Maui Army National Guardsmen have always played a role of vital importance in the mission of the State Department of Defense.

The 1st Battalion, 299th Infantry of the 29th Infantry Brigade, commanded by MAJ Shigeto Murayama, is composed of 23 officers, 3 warrant officers and 617 enlisted men.

Drilling at their armories located in Kahului, Wailuku, and Lahaina, Maui guardsmen train endlessly to maintain their status of "Guard Readiness."

Overnight maneuvers to Kanaio, on the rugged slope of Mount Haleakala, are not unusual to the guardsmen of Maui. During a recent training exercise, members of their "Rifle Platoon," clad in field gear, covered with field jackets and panchos to protect themselves from the cold and occasional rain, moved along rugged terrain in Kanaio to reach their objective, several miles away.

Just over the hill the "Mortar Platoon" was conducting "live-fire" training.

Training for Maui guardsmen is grueling, but it also has some lighter moments. Recently, Maui guardsmen got, inadvertently, special mention in the Feb. 8 issue of the Sunday Advertiser-Star Bulletin when an airplane pilot reported smoke coming out of Haleakala, which last erupted in 1790.

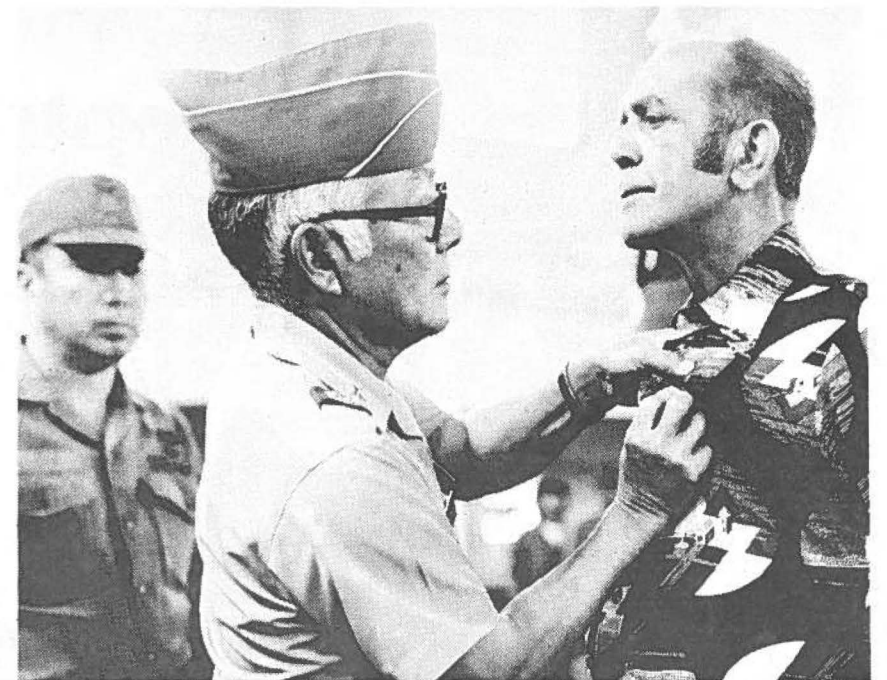
After checking out the pilot's report with Maui police, the newspaper learned that it was not Haleakala causing the smoke but Maui guardsmen participating in "live fire" exercises.

The 1st Battalion, a unit with a proud record, was honored in February with a visit by BG Edward M. Yoshimasu, deputy adjutant general, who pinned SFC Frank Carvalho with an Army Commendation Medal (First Oak Leaf Cluster). SFC Carvalho, who recently retired after 37 years, received the award for meritorious service rendered to the Hawaii Army National Guard.

Startled to see an old friend in new clothing, BG Yoshimasu asked SFC Carvalho, "Frank, how come you're not in uniform?"

Although Maui is located several sea miles away from Honolulu, the importance of guardsmen from Maui is known and appreciated by all in the State.

Maui guardsmen — PUPUKAHI is proud to be able to share with its readers stories and photos of your never-ending training.



Guard supports Waipahu Intermediate project

By SP5 Dennis Fujii
PAO, Associate Editor

Members of the Hawaii Army National Guard completed the ground work of the Waipahu Intermediate School's courtyard beautification project. Men of the 298th Engineer Detachment and the 227th Engineer Company, aided by a land grader, a scoop loader and a power roller, leveled and graded the courtyard of the school.

The beautification project was designed to create an outdoor assembly area, an activity area, an extension of a library reading area, an outdoor eating area, and a recreation area for the children.

"The courtyard beautification involves the Hawaii Army National Guard, various segments of the school and the general community," said Mr. Stanley T. Seki, principal of Waipahu Intermediate School.

"It is so encouraging to see so many different agencies express a feeling of wanting to do something for the children," commended Seki.

The initial planning began two months ago with Mr. Harvey Wong, a teacher at Waipahu Intermediate. Wong, who conceived the project, was aided by Representative Mitsuo Shito, who coordinated the financing and the services of the Army guardsmen.

"Members of this unit look forward to participating in community projects like this because they can take what they learn from lectures and books and put it to practical use," said SGT C. David Atkinson, construction foreman for the 298th Engineer Detachment.

SP4 Jasson Kimokeo, power roller operator, remarked, "I really feel proud being able to do something like this for the community."



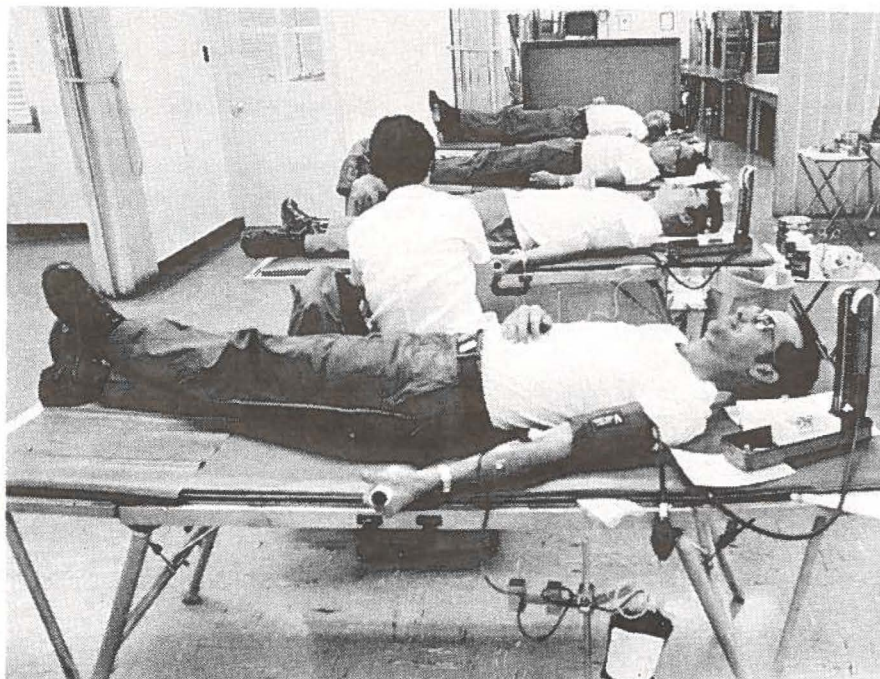
WORKING TOGETHER — State Representative (CSM) Mitsuo Shito, 297th Supply and Service Battalion and Stanley T. Seki, principal of Waipahu Intermediate School, review plans of the school's courtyard beautification project.
Photo by SP4 Sandra Mascoto, 117th PI De

SP4 Kimokeo, and the other members of the 298th Engineer Detachment, all expressed a feeling of satisfaction in participating in this community project," added Captain Wayne R. Tomoyasu, commander of the 298th Engineer Detachment.

Upon completion of the grading of the courtyard the Guard will move bleacher stands for the athletic field to the courtyard. The parents, students, and faculty will then construct planter boxes that will be placed around the bases of trees in the courtyard

They give "the gift of life"

By Capt John Maier
PAO, Editor



SMILE — Men of the 154th Fighter Interceptor Group participating in the outstandingly successful bloodmobile visit.

Fifty-six guard donors contributed during the Blood Bank of Hawaii bloodmobile visit to the 154th Fighter Interceptor Group on February 4, 1976. Eighteen additional guardsmen who volunteered donations were deferred. The drive was a tremendous success, and according to Mrs. Mary Lou O'Brien, Assistant Director for Volunteers and Recruitment, "It went very smoothly considering the large number of people who were processed."

The success credit goes to the men and women who gave and to the organizers, Lt Col James K. Lota, Maj John I. Oshiro, CMSgt Hiroshi Go, MSgt Wayne Soma and Amn Yvette Hopkins, who each coordinated donations of coffee, doughnuts, and other refreshments. The project coordinator was TSgt Mitchell K. Shimabukuro.

Blood donated is replaced by the body within 60 days, and by that time it's not unusual to get the urge again. It's a pretty good feeling giving "the gift of life."

Recent Blood Bank of Hawaii shortages have made guard contributions even more appreciated, and Mrs. O'Brien stated that, "The 56 pints of blood given by guardsmen went a long way towards meeting the blood needs of the State."

Flying intercepts, all in a day's work

By Capt John Maier
PAO, Editor

A flight in a TF-102A is not an everyday experience, unless, of course, you are an alert pilot.

It all started with a phone call that a seat would be available the next day in the TF, the trainer version of the F-102A. The TF differs in that it has two seats located side-by-side.

The F-102A's are assigned to the Hawaii Air National Guard, 199th Fighter Interceptor Squadron (FIS), whose mission is to maintain 24-hour air defense for Hawaii. Two F-102A's are on a five-minute alert throughout the day, and night.

The unit emblem of the 199th FIS, appropriately, combines an airplane with the mythological war god "kukailimoku," symbol of fearlessness, valor and strength in the heat of battle.

Preparing for the flight, first there was a one-hour, first-time briefing in the Life Support Shop, headed by TSgt Howard Hironaka. Sgt Hironaka and his men meticulously maintain the parachutes, inspecting them every 30 days, and repacking them every 120 days, always checking the "life support" systems of the pilots. The area is protected by a cypherlock door, and immediately inside individual parachutes are lined up, and matched with the helmet and name of each pilot - ready! At 12:00 noon Lt Col Tai Sung Hong gave a weather and mission briefing. The mission would be intercepts in pairs of F-102A's. Each pilot briefed the pilot of the plane that would be next to him. Every move, and emergency possibility, was prediscussed. Soon, at 14,000 feet and 350 knots per hour, there would be a precision job to do.

Finally, at 1:30 p.m., stepping into the TF-102A with Lt Col Kurt E. Johnson, it was only minutes before we were in the air and on the wing of Capt Edwin R. Miyahara, heading towards north Oahu. There was not much room for two cameras. Time went quickly — focusing, clicking, getting used to breathing forced oxygen, and experiencing exhilarating endless blue sky. At the controls, Lt Col Johnson maintained a steady feedback of his actions as he began intercept passes. Directed by Ground Control Intercept (GCI) radar of the 150th Aircraft Control and Warning Squadron (AC&W) on Kauai, the two planes separated by a distance of miles.

First one, then the other, flew an intercept course

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Kauai manning . . .

By CPT Patrick Tobar
CO, 117th PI Det

Can women on Kauai join the Army National Guard? Well, if the new commander of Company B, 1st Bn, 299th Infantry had his way, guardswomen would be training right alongside men at the Hanapepe Armory.

While the Hawaii Army National Guard has a number of guardswomen on Oahu, Kauai does not have any women members . . . yet.

First Lieutenant Theodore A. Daligdig III, Kauai's new commander for the Guard's infantry company feels that women on Kauai should be able to join Hawaii's Army National Guard.

If joining the Guard is as popular with the girls on Kauai as it is in Honolulu, the lieutenant could have a long line of women at his office door. According to Daligdig, positions for women, however, must first be authorized.

Until positions for women are authorized, the lieutenant must continue to fill the few vacancies in his company with men.

Lieutenant Daligdig assumed his new command from Captain Melvin Cummings who has joined the staff of the 1st Battalion, 299th Infantry as its S-2.

A fuel utility supervisor with the Lihue Sugar Plantation, the lieutenant's future plan for the Guard on Kauai includes filling most of the unit's remaining vacancies and assisting the community with conservation related projects.

He is a 1968 graduate of the Hawaii National Guard's Officer Training Academy and was educated at Kapaa High School and Kauai Community College.

A Vietnam veteran, he is married and has three sons.



GETTING ACQUAINTED — CPT Melvin Cummings informally briefs 1LT Theodore A. Daligdig III, new commander of Co B, 1st Bn, 299th Inf, as he assumes responsibilities of his command. CPT Cummings is now assigned to the 1st Bn's S-2 position.

Advisor team visits Kauai

By SSG Joe Ruttle
117th PI Det

The Hawaii Army National Guard on Kauai was visited on February 7, 1976, by a team of weapons specialists from the Army's 25th Infantry Division. As technical advisors, the team spent the weekend observing and evaluating the training of the Kauai unit.

The guardsmen were also briefed on the newest ideas and innovations in weapons techniques. Lieutenant Walker of the 25th Division remarked,

"I'm impressed by the proficiency and innovativeness of the Kauai unit."

These training activities on Kauai were part of the new "Affiliation Program," which was set up late in 1975. Under this system, units of the Hawaii Army National Guard will receive technical assistance from the 25th Infantry Division on Oahu. National Guard units may request that advisors with special skills be assigned to their units during weekend training sessions.

HAWAII ARMY NATIONAL GUARD CHANGES OF COMMAND



COL John Aiona Jr., commander, 29th Inf Bde



COL Alexis Lum, commander, 298th Fld Dpt



CPT Wayne Tomoyasu, commander, 227th Eng Co



CPT Fredrick Kleve, commander, 298th Eng Det

\$2 bill reissued

Secretary of the Treasury William E. Simon announced the reissuance of the \$2 bill as a Federal Reserve Note, Series 1976. The new note will be issued on April 13, 1976 (Thomas Jefferson's birthday), and will feature an engraving of Thomas Jefferson from a portrait painted in the early 1800's by Gilbert Stuart. The back of the note will incorporate a rendition of the "The Signing Of the Declaration of Independence", painted by John Trumbull during the post-Revolutionary War period, and which now hangs in the Trumbull Gallery at Yale University.

James Conlon, Director of the Treasury's Bureau of Engraving and Printing, estimated the new \$2 note will result in a savings of \$4-7 million per year in printing of \$1 notes.

An average of 1.6 billion one dollar notes are printed per year, which accounts for 55-60 percent of the total volume of currency printed. The new \$2 note is expected to replace about one-half of the "ones" in circulation over a period of the next several years. Conlon emphasized that the new note would be printed in sufficient volume, 400 million per year, to assure wide availability. This production volume is sixty times greater than the average annual production of the previous \$2 U.S. note, last issued in 1966.

The two-dollar bill was first issued as U.S. currency in 1862, and in subsequent years the bills were issued under a variety of authorities as U.S. Notes, Silver Certificates, Treasury Notes, and National Currency, using a number of different portraits. A relatively small number of \$2 notes were produced annually until August 10, 1966,

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Introducing . . .

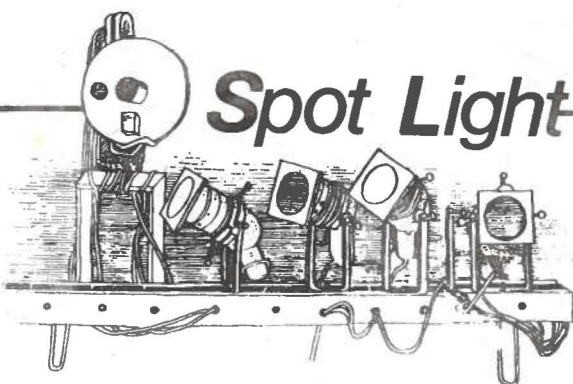
By SP5 Dennis Fujii
PAO, Associate Editor

Money! . . . Money!!! . . . MONEY!!! . . . CW4 Albert U.S. Chong, HQ 297th Supply and Service Bn, and SFC George Q.W. Tom, CSM #1, both received cash awards for their sustained superior performance . . . and more money!!! . . . SSgt Henry T. Hasuike, 154th CAM Sq, also received a cash award for his suggestion to modify an antenna harness . . . what a way to start off the year!!!

Congratulations . . . go out to SFC "JP" Reyes . . . lucky guy . . . he just got married . . . to who? . . . PFC Audrey Reyes (HARNG Recruiters Office) of course . . . also getting hitched was 1Sg "Benny" Villaverde.

While we're on the subject of best wishes . . . the best of luck goes out to the man on the go . . . Lt Col K. Paul Goya . . . commander of the newly activated 201st MCG . . . also receiving new commands were 1Lt Theodore Daligdig III (1st Bn, Kauai), CPT Wayne Tomoyasu, commander of the 227th Eng Co. CPT Frederick Cleve, commander of the 298th Eng Det, Maj Dave Howard, commander 201th MCS (Hilo), Col Alexis Lum, commander of the 298th Field Depot, Lt Col D.M. O'Day, commander of the 169th AC&W Sq and Col John Aiona, Jr., commander of the 29th Inf Bde.

Valley Isle hospitality . . . A personal "thanks" to HHC, 1st Bn from the Valley Isle . . . hosting Maj Gerry Silva, 1Lt Gregg Kakesako, and Sp5 Dennis Fujii of the Fabulous 117th PI Det on our recent trip to cover the 1st Bn's training . . . hey, Mauians . . . you folks have one beautiful island, do you folks have room for one more resident . . . me, of course!!!



The Guard paid special acknowledgment to Maui's SFC Frank F. Carvalho . . . BG Yoshimasu presented SFC Carvalho with an Army Commendation Medal (1st Oak Leaf Cluster) for meritorious service.

Commendation Medals were also presented to Lt Col Yoshiyuki Tahara, CPT Ralph Faufata, Col Alexis Lum, CPT George Takamiya, CPT Earl Nakashima, CW3 Stanley Komata, 1Sg "Chico" Iaea, SFC Albert Supnet, and SFC Frank Latorre, . . . congratulations.

Recently appointed to new positions are SFC Alfred Paulino, OMS #3, Sgt Eileen Camat, 150th AC&W Sq. TSgt Raymond Takahashi, USPFO, 1st Lt Eugene Young, SMO, and CPT Donald Orton, CSMS #1 . . . From the 154th . . . A1C Rose Moenahale, Sgt Larry DeRego, Sgt Stephen Chang, Sgt Carl Jaber, Sgt Brian Oshiro, Sgt Wesley Yasutake, SSgt Daniel Easter, SSgt Ronald Havellana, SSgt Urban Caires, SSgt Daniel Tengan, Capt Geoffrey Avery, Capt Edwin Miyahara, Lt Col Richard Settsu . . . from the 201st AMN Wayne Paruginog, A1C Morris Pabingwit, SSgt Roy Hidano, SSgt Keith Oguro, SMSgt Roy Chee, MSgt Clement Oshiro, TSgt Clyde Yasuhara . . . from the 169th AC&W Sq . . . SSgt Nathan Chang, Capt Eric Kanja, Lt Col Paul Sequeira and from the 202nd . . . TSgt Francis Takara, TSgt

Clifford Tsuyama, Sgt Harold Uyeda, MSgt Delos Chow, MSgt Harvey Maeda, TSgt Galen Nakahara.

Congratulations . . . go out to the recent graduates of the HMA-NCO Class 1-76. While we're on the subject of the HMA . . . all eligible personnel are reminded of the present recruiting drive being conducted for OCS candidates for Class 15-77 that starts Jun. 18. Contact your unit commander for further information.

Peanuts, Popcorn, and Hot Dogs . . . Aloha Stadium Deputy Manager, (also National Guard Captain) Bob Fishman, announced that the fantastic Pele from the New York Cosmos will be appearing at the Aloha Stadium on Apr 7, to play with fellow team-mates against a Japanese team.

Also playing that evening will be the Hawaii All-Stars versus a team from Tahiti, the Philippine's National team versus the National team from the Republic of China.

Starting time for the first game begins at 4 pm with the Hawaii/Tahiti game followed by the Philippine/China game at 6 pm. The New York/Japan game begins at 8 pm.

This will be Hawaii's first chance to see Pele and his razzle-dazzle footwork that has made him an international soccer star.

Baseball fans . . . the PCL Champs, the Hawaii Islanders begin their baseball schedule at the Aloha Stadium on Apr 17. This year with the Aloha Stadium's movable stands in the baseball configuration, it will be — pardon the expression — a whole new ballgame.

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Interim facilities will be used while planning for permanent facilities is scheduled.

The 201st Mobil Communications Squadron, commanded by Maj David F. Howard, has already located at Keaukaha Military Reservation near the Hilo Airport. The unit has an authorization of 183 personnel, and Hawaii Air National Guard recruiters, with their well-known "Join the Hawaii Air Guard" van, have been hard at work visiting Big Island schools and shopping centers in support of Maj Howard and his efforts to continue to meet federal recognition manning requirements.

On Kauai, 12 guardsmen in the 202nd Air Traffic Control Flight, under the command of Major Charles Prentiss, are currently meeting at the Kekaha Hawaii Army National Guard Armory. The unit will be expanding and is seeking qualified people interested in communications-electronics.

The 201st Mobil Communications Group receives assistance from and is monitored by the HQ Pacific Communications Area of the gaining Air Force Communications Service command.

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till within range of internal radar.

Lt Col Johnson took over from the 150th AC&W Sq, locked on and completed the intercept, recording a hit.

Next, off the coast of Kauai, intercept passes were flown on a T-33, which earlier had taken off from Hickam Air Force Base, and which now was flying evasive maneuvers. The ground controllers of the 150th AC&W Sq tracked the target, and by voice directed the F-102A's till internal radar made contact. Pursuit resulted a few short minutes later in a hit, again recorded by the NADAR video tape unit for later pilot review.

The flight lasted a little more than an hour. It seemed like minutes.

Back at Hickam AFB, the HANG pilots completed reports, shared debriefings, and called to thank the 150th AC&W Sq ground controllers for a team job well-done.

Mission accomplished. Tomorrow the mission would be the same.



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\$2 bill reissued

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when the Treasury Department announced that the printing of the bill would be discontinued.

In his announcement, Secretary Simon stated that "the American people are the key to the success of this program. The reissue of the \$2 bill can add a new convenience to our currency system and help in reducing the cost of government."

"While the design of the new note is consistent with the nation's bicentennial," the Secretary added, "it is not solely a bicentennial commemorative, but rather the two-dollar bill fulfills a permanent and practical role in the use of American currency. Additionally, as two-dollar bills gradually come to be substituted for ones, fewer pieces of currency will need to be carried by individuals and small cash transactions will be greatly facilitated.

Mark your calendar
-November 6, 1976-



CONGRATULATIONS — SSG Catalino Conselva, HHC 298th Field Depot, is congratulated by COL John Aiona, commander of the 29th BDE, upon graduating from NCO Class 1-76. Photo by 2LT Bud Bowles, 117th PI Det.

NCO's graduate

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Twenty-five members of Hawaii's Army National Guard were honored February 22 at they completed their training in the Hawaii Military Academy, Non-Commissioned Officer Class.

Of the original 38 students, 25 successfully completed the required training.

In recognition for outstanding performance, classroom work and training, four students were given immediate promotions.

Honor Graduate Christopher H.L. Ching of the 829th Maintenance Company, received the highest rating for his class in academics and leadership, and was promoted to the rank of E-6.

Class President David N. Quintal of the 293d Service Company was promoted to the rank of E-5. Also receiving immediate promotions were SP5's Kenneth M. Nakahara, 291st Maintenance Company and Victor K. Regidor, Co C (Det 1) 2nd Battalion, 299th Infantry.

The graduation capped six months of training in military leadership, tactics and administrative subjects that were applicable to the new responsibilities the graduates now face.