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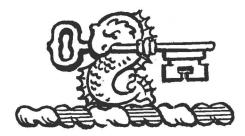
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Mr. Dan Wallace, pictured with 66 pound Ulua, is one of the leaders in the SCU-BA diving art. Mr. Wallace was highly instrumental in the early promotion of Self Contained Underwater Breathing Apparatus in Hawaii and has done much to promote underwater photography in the islands. This cover picture was supplied through the courtesy of Mr. Wallace.

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by CAPT MACK WILLS

Back in September 1955, the new concept in modern defense began to assert itself in the Hawaii National Guard with the conversion of the old 483d Field Artillery Battalion into a relatively modern antiaircraft artillery battalion, the 158th. Old equipment was procured and training was begun in the somewhat crowded confines of the old Field Artillery area off 18 Avenue in Fort Ruger. Facilities were inadequate to accomplish the training required to cope with the new mission of the battalion, that of providing a measure of air defense of Honolulu.

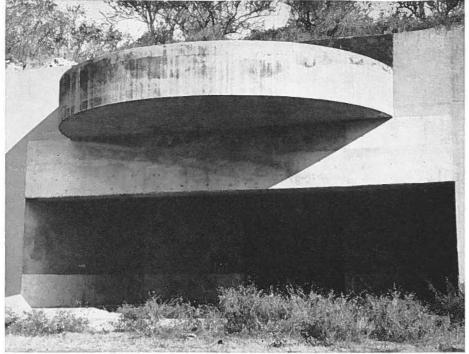
In August 1956, the dispersion of batteries was begun with the movement of Btrys B and C to old converted barracks on Sand Island, adjacent to Air Guard facilities. Still later, after summer camp 1957, Btry B moved again to a new site at Waianae, and finally in January 1958, Btry A moved from Fort Ruger to its new site at Fort Barrette.

This latter site is the newest and most complete in providing all the facilities necessary for a triple-A gun site. An underground tunnel-storeroom complex provides large roomy, bomb-proof facilities for battery supply, lockerrooms, offices and classrooms. These rooms are cool, airy and completely termite-proof.

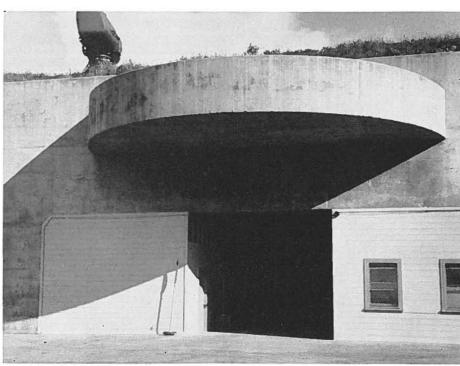
Btry A moved into an old coast artillery fort whose sturdy reinforced concrete revetments and tunnels once shelered 16" seacoast artillery guns. Many years had elapsed since power and water ran through the complex of tubing that trace many paths throughout a maze of tunnels and conduits. Keawe and halekoa took over the above ground surface, and deep piles of dust shifted under secured steel doors.

Then a bustle of activity started in the

Various individuals pushed through the keawe and halekoa and stalked down the tunnels leaving deep footprints in the dust, sending sounds reverberating through the dark corridors. Then bulldozers began to clear the clogged roads — doors were opened — rooms cleaned out - shelves and storage facilities construced - and electric power restored.



Before construction was begun at Fort Barrette, this is what the old World War II gun emplacement looked like.



This is what it looks like today, after Hawaii Guardsmen renovated the site.

A military facility, after many years of neglect, was coming back to life.

Above and below ground, needed facilities were renovated and everything process. Parking area's had to be conreadied for the movement of a unit into

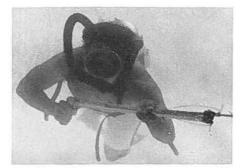
An Engineer Company built AA gun revetments and radar maintenance crews set up their equipment. Other service elements rehabilitated, re-built, or remade necessary facilities from the outhouse out back to the flagpole out front.

The work of rebuilding World War II emplacements was not easy and many hours of "overtime" were logged in the structed. Phone communications had to be installed and water and electricity had to be turned on again.

As of this moment, all sites are operational and improvements are being made daily. No, the job wasn't easy, but the 158th had a job to do.

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Mission accomplished!



Looking like a man from space, A2C Clifford Murakami, 169th AC & W squadron, stalks his next meal. (Smith Hawaii Photo)

THE "... treasure hunting, fishing, exploration and sharks!" BLUE CONTINENT

By EDDIE ANDERSON

It was a typical hot summer day. The sea was calm and clear. The four Hawaii Guardsmen, standing on the boat deck were anxious to take a close look at the sunken hulk beneath the surface.

Strapping on their SCUBA (Self-contained underwater breathing apparatus) the four divers slipped beneath the

Below them was the remains of a huge World War II barge, now the home of countless undersea creatures. As they were descending, they saw their prey. Hundreds of bright red fish, called Awaowao, were so abundent, they hid portions of the twisted superstructure.

The sound of a metal shaft, loosed from a powerful spear gun, was clearly enger that usually feeds at night. Howaudible. The shaft disappeared into the red school, striking two struggling prizes as it went, then sank to the

And so it went. One by one, the Awaowao fell victim of the well aimed

SCUBA diving is becoming an increasingly popular sport with island Guardsmen and many clubs are being SCUBA and spears. formed within Guard batteries, companies and squadrons.

Neighbor island Guardsmen who enjoy the subsurface sport, are rewarded with an abundance of fish, common to neighbor islands but rare in the waters around Oahu.

What's it like underwater?

First, as the new diver enters the water for the first time, he is conscious of the sound of air bubbles, coming from the exhaust on his regulator. He soon realizes that the underwater world is not silent. He can hear the squeeks and moans of marine life. A rhythmic clicking sound is produced by small pebbles rolling with the current on the ocean bottom.

The subsurface colors are unbelievable. The bright, multihued seaweeds and corals are alive with small, colorful fish that dart in and out of their watery

This is the world of the hunter and the hunted.

As the diver first enters the water in an area, the fish dart for cover. But after these finned residents become accustomed to the invading diver, they reappear, full of curiousity.

The major concern of new divers is the problem of sharks. Most veteran divers will tell you that the inquisitive creature is harmless, but in the same breath, will tell you to keep your eyes on his every move.

The unpredictable shark is a scavever, during his daylight wanderings, he has given local divers many anxious moments.

SP-2 Joe Halbuna of the Army Aviation section, considered to be an excellent diver, was probing the depths off Kaneohe in 50 feet of water with fellow Guardsman SP-2 Frank Ho of 613th Ordnance. Both were equipped with

Halbuna had two spears. One was being used for spearing while the other was being utilized as a stringer to hold 9 captured Kumu.

Suddenly, the water boiled with excitement. A 10-foot shark, moving at a fast clip, swooped down and grabbed the nine fish and with the spear extending from either side of his jaws, disappeared into the blue mist.

In a few moments, the shark was back and started moving in on the now alert divers. Taking defensive action, the two Guardsmen, with spears pointed forward, headed for the shark on a collision course, waving their free arms as they closed the gap.

It worked! The shark, not expecting aggression, turned tail and disappeared. Somewhat shaken by their experience,

the two divers returned to their boat and took a twenty minute break.

Figuring the shark was no longer in the area, Halbuna jumped back into the water and looked down. Not only was the shark back, but it was swimming up from the depths, heading straight for Halbuna. Kicking and yelling, Halbuna headed for the boat and the startled shark turned and sounded.

Moving their craft to another location, the two diehard divers decided to try again. Diving to the bottom, they commenced where they left off. But again, Mr. Shark reappeared.

Tired of fighting the problem, the two fishermen relocated their boat in shallow water where they resumed fishing without further interruption.

But incidents like this are rare and if the novice diver receives a few basic instructions from an "ole timer," they pose no problems.

Because of the sharks curious nature and nearsightedness, his close approach Continued on page 12



Ho (right) assists Halbuna with adjustments to his diving equipment. Both Guardsmen are veteran divers. Sharks

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### By LT MASATO SUGIHARA

Mahalo Nui Loa! Yes, thank you very much for your confidence in moving me up to the president's chair. At this time I want to assure you that I will do my best toward building up the Hawaii National Guard Association. I know that my fellow officers and council members are willing and able to work for our association.

The past administration, under the capable leadership of Colonel David P. Silva, has done much to develop the prestige of this organization. Under this group of officers, aggressive steps have been taken to bring the 1960 National Guard Convention to Hawaii. If this goal is achieved, it means thousands of dollars to the Territory, and greater honor to the Hawaii National Guard. Colonel Silva, his officers, and his committees merit our warmest aloha for jobs well done.

Since the birth of this nation, the National Guard has been considered the First Line of Defense. Today, after many years of trial and tribulation, the National Guard is still serving in this role. We, the Guardsmen of Hawaii, share this distinction with the rest of the Guardsmen in the United States. With this distinction and honor, however, there are responsibilities that we must shoulder. We can carry the load and accomplish our mission by working together as a team.

Some of the goals toward which we are aiming are:

- 1. Bring the 1960 National Guard Report of the Convention to Hawaii.
- 2. A bigger and better National Guard Association in Hawaii.
- 3. Legislation to improve conditions and facilities for the Guardsmen in Hawaii.
- 4. To get our community to know more about the Hawaii National Guard and our organization.

The Hawaii National Guard Association is the Territory's Agency to help solve some of the problems that confront the Hawaii Guardsmen. This association tries to bring to light as many as we are able of those conditions and problems that may prove detrimental to the safety of the people of Hawaii. This association tries to better the existing conditions and facilities for the Guardsmen themselves because when the "curtain" goes up, we, as members of the National Guard, become the principals on the stage, and it is important that adequate and proper props are in their

Morale and Esprit de Corps have always been very good in the Hawaii National Guard. Past officers and council members have contributed to this. The newly elected officers and council members of the Hawaii National Guard Association are here to help with this job. Let us know about your problems.



# **Past President**

By COL DAVID P. SILVA

The past year has been a fairly good year for the Hawaii National Guard Association. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the officers of the Association and particularly the members of the Executive Council for their splendid cooperation and their devoted efforts toward furthering the growth and stature of our Association. I would like to single out CWO Fred Robello, our past Treasurer, for his untold hours of work in a trying position. Robello bowed out of office after several years of stewardship of our funds, and I would like to publicly express our appreciation of his services over the past years.

I am more than happy to announce that Hawaii has again over-subscribed its revised quota for the National Guard Association Building Fund. The response of the officers and men of the Hawaii National Guard to this fund drive is indeed highly gratifying and should instill in everyone who contributed a sense of pride and self satisfaction. Thank you one and all for making Hawaii 100% in support of this worthwhile cause.

Plans for bringing the 1960 Annual Continued on page 14

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# "BAIL OUT"

"... trying to save his plane, he stayed till the last drop of fuel"

By EDDIE ANDERSON

It all started on a cold December morning at 10,000 feet.

The four Hawaii National Guard jets, returning from a practice gunnery mission, were heading for Hickam Air Force base, skirting the island of Oahu. Little did they realize that only three would return safely.

Second Lt Charles (Chuck) Johnston, a student pilot in advance training, was "tail end Charley." The three leading swept-wing craft went into a gentle left turn. Johnston moved the control stick to follow suit.

Then it happened! The stick became almost immovable.

With what little control he had left, he slowly broke away from the flight, dropped his speed to 150 knots, lowered his flaps, then called his flight leader and reported his trouble. Quickly scanning the instrument pannel in front of him, he saw the trouble.

He had lost hydraulic control pressure. Johnston's flight leader, after instructing the other two pilots to proceed to the field, slipped up along side. The two pilots calmly discussed the situation. Johnston double-checked everything in the cockpit but to no avail. It was obvious the trouble lay beyond his con- out," he though, "they'd pick me up."

By this time, both ships were flying on emergency fuel and Johnston's flight leader had to return to the field. Before in a wide circle. leaving, he gave Johnston a few last minute instructions. "If you can't regain enough control to land it, bail out. But in either case, I'll see you later."

Johnston watched the jet disappear into the distance. Now he was alone. With such limited control, he knew a landing was out of the question. It was the salute. a million to one shot that he could make it, unless he could free the controls.

Glancing down, he could clearly see the residential and business districts. Fearing his craft might plunge into one of these areas, Johnston called his unit and informed them that he was turning the crippled jet out to sea.



As he slowly brought the nose around, making a wide swing, he spotted a maneuvering destroyer on the horizon and headed for it. "If I have to bail out,

Again struggling with the controls in the vicinity over the navy ship, Johnston succeeded in getting the jet to fly

Glancing over his right shoulder, he suddenly realized he was no longer alone. A navy pilot (later learned to be 2nd Lt Ron Beecher) flying a Cougar jet The flight leader, reluctantly, broke out of Barbers Point, had picked up Johnston's distress calls and was now keeping him company. Johnston, somewhat comforted, smiled and raised his right hand in salute. Beecher returned

At this point, Johnston reestablished radio contact with his fighter unit. The room was crowded with anxious Guardsmen. Lt Col John Giraudo, Senior Advisor to the Air Guard unit and veteran pilot himself, asked Johnston to make a few specific checks.

Johnston responded. Then Giraudo

asked the troubled pilot how much fuel he had aboard but as the colonel spoke, the tanks ran dry. Johnston called back, "I just flamed out, sir."

"Don't fool with it Chuck, get out!" barked the Colonel.

"OK dad!" Johnston's voice was calm. He chuckled, "that was a hell of a way to speak to the Colonel."

The navy pilot, having overheard the conversation, pulled away, giving Johnston plenty of room.

Reaching down, the Guard pilot grasped a lever and pulled. There was a thundering report as the cannopy ejected into space. Now the one time silent cockpit was filled with the roar of rushing air. Everything loose in the cockpit was sucked out. Dirt and dust blew

Momentarily blinded, he gropped for the ejection trigger that would shoot him free of his crippled plane. Finding it, he squeezed.

There was an ear-splitting roar. The

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This modern, 3-unit armory, located on Kam highway across from Wheeler field, was completed 20 June and occupied July 10th. Constructed by Nakakura Construction Company Ltd., at a cost of \$259,215.44, the 25,065 square foot armory was constructed on 5.05 acres of land.

The steel-wood-hollow tile building is "U" shaped and has over 11,800 square feet of paving in the center of the build-

If you should venture through the new structure, you would see modern fixtures everywhere, including two large modern shower rooms, equipped with hot water. A kitchen, stocked with modern appliances, is a favorite spot break.

One of the rooms in the large armory will soon be converted into a librarywaiting room, stocked with current reading material. All rooms are well lighted and ventilated.

Some finishing work is still being done on the armory however, most of the construction has been completed. A large motor pool will be built at the awards. rear of the armory in the near future.

This is the second largest armory to be built in the islands. The largest Hawaiian armory is located in Hilo.

# Colonel Adams **Assumes Duties** As HARNG Advisor

 $B_{\mathbf{Y}}$ CWO D. M. NOTTINGHAM

Colonel Gilbert N. Adams, Artillery, returned to the Hawaiian Islands on 23 August 1958 for the third time in his 26 years of military service in the Army. He was stationed at Fort Kamehameha in 1936 where he was instrumental in winning the coveted Hawaiian Department Championship (basketball), and in 1948 he came back to the Islands and served as G3 of the South Sector Command until December of that year when he took command of the 97th Antiairduring the lunch hour and the coffee craft Artillery Gun Battalion which was transferred to Japan.

Colonel Adams served in other overseas commands including Panama, North Africa and Italy during World War II. During the Korean Conflict, he saw action in Korea with the Eighth Army Artillery Section and Second Division Artillery. He holds the Legion of Merit as well as many other combat

Upon his return to the United States, following his Korean tour, Colonel Adams attended the Army War College in 1951. In 1952 he was transferred to



Colonel Gilbert N. Adams

the Research and Development Office of the Secretary of the Army, Washington, D.C. and held that assignment until

Colonel Adams comes to Hawaii from a two year assignment as the Commanding Officer of the 26th Antiaircraft Artillery Group (Air Defense), Fort Lawton, Washington. He was in charge of the Seattle Army Air Defense Area.

Colonel Adams long service in various phases of tactical artillery assignments, following his graduation from the United States Military Academy (West Point) in 1932 and initial commissioning in the Coast Artillery Corps, combines to make him an outstanding success in his new roll as Senior Army Advisor to the Hawaii Army National Guard. Aloha and best wishes from all members of the Hawaii National Guard!

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The current international situation has reached proportions which cannot be overlooked — the political and military idealogolies are such that open hostilities may be only a few moments away, precious moments during which we must be prepared to meet any threat and to protect the ideals of our democratic convictions.

In this area, a key resposibility has been vested in the Hawaii Air Force National Guard, a current force in being which has the capability for initial detection and destruction of the threat. The task is not a simple one for with the advent of recent technological progress of the weapons of war, it requires the utmost of professional integrity, capability and background experience ever demanded of our reserve forces personnel. This capability was derived and is being maintained by a small group of spirited, civic minded and highly motivated individuals — civilians all — appropriately called minutemen of the sky.

Since it is an accepted concept that the current threat is of an aerial nature, the Hawaii Air Force National Guard is comprised of three organized units, the 199th Fighter Interceptor Squadron, 109th Aircraft Control and Warning Squadron and the 169th Aircraft Control and Warning Squadron which are members of the Air Defense team under the operational control of the Hawaiian Air Defense Division. They have been provided with modern weapons and are afforded the opportunity for basic and advanced training to become proficient in their use. New weapons are being programmed to replace the old.

While it is impossible to single out any one unit as being the most important to the system, the AC&W Squadrons occupy a key role in any Air Defense establishment. These are the outposts which will establish initial contact with the enemy, will trigger the Air Defense System into action, will guide the interceptors to a position where destruction may be effected, and will return the interceptors to home base. Each of these functions requires a high degree of

# "OUR GUARDIAN ANGELS"

By MAJ WILLIAM KRAL

professional skill under tension, and of an operational readiness capability errors of judgment cannot be tolerated only the most competent and best qualified individuals can be entrusted with such responsibilities.

The most important function, to the satisfactory completion of the mission, is training. The principal steps are accomplished by progression through a basic career school in the field of endeavour, on-the-job training in all phases of his specialty, experience and advanced training. As these requirements are met, the individual grows in stature, assumes greater responsibility and is rewarded by promotion (provided he is capable of absorbing this training and demonstrating leadership potential). Opportunity for advancement is ever present and is directly proportional to the effort expended.

Our AC&W Squadrons are making acceptable progress towards attainment Hawaii.

which is the ultimate goal of any reserve forces program. This final phase of preparedness must be pursued vigorously - nothing can stand in the path of this objective. Each expenditure of effort or decision made by squadron personnel in the course of daily activity, should be pointed towards this concept of operational readiness. When such procedures are practiced, when every man in the unit strives to increase the overall effectiveness, this objective will be attained. I am pleased to say that during the recent annual summer encampment, these concepts were in daily evidence in both organizations. The "Esprit-de-Corps" maintained by the civilian soldiers of Hawaii, is outstanding and for the manner in which they are accomplishing their mission, I consider them the Guardian Angels of

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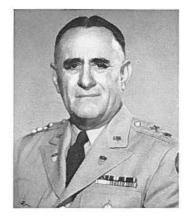


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The special conference of the Adjutants General Association of the United States convened in Washington, D. C., on 14-15 July, to consider the Department of Army proposed plan for reorganization of the Army National Guard. The Adjutants General of all the states and territories (with the exception of the Adjutants General of Puerto Rico and Alaska), the Commanding Generals of New York and District of Columbia, the Chief of Staff of New Jersey, and a number of senior officers of the Army National Guard were present. Also in attendance at the conference were three of the four member Special Committee of the Untied States Conference of Governors on National Guard Affairs; namely, Governor Foss of South Dakota, Governor Griffin of Georgia, and Governor Muskie of Maine.

The Adjutants General and the Governors were in agreement that the Army National Guard Divisions and Non-divisional Regimental Combat Teams should be recognized along Pentomic battle group concept; that in this reorganization, it was expected that the number of company sized units would be reduced. However, with the Department of Army's proposed plan, additional units would be lost, units organized, trained, and equipped and vitally needed by the states and territories for state missions of civil defense. This loss is attributable to the fact that the troop allocation was tee of the United States Conference of based on an overall strength of 360,000, a ten per cent reduction.

At the conference, the Adjutants General unanimously adopted a counter proposal to the proposed Department of Army plans listing six points as follows:

1. Maintain 400,000 strength, as prorated by the National Guard Bureau to the States, Territories, District of Columbia and Commonwealth of Puerto Rico on 30 June 1958.

### 

# Adjutant General's

- 2. Retain State Hq and Hq Det at be obtained from the Department of present strengths.
- 3. Retain 27 fully organized pentomic type divisions at approximately 65% of
- 4. Maintain anti-aircraft on-site units at 84% of TOE.
- 5. Maintain and convert existing nondivisional units and obtain additional non-divisional units to absorb the remaining strength. These units to be of the type required by the Army and to be maintained at 65% of TOE.
- 6. All of the foregoing to be accomplished with the approval of the Governor of each State concerned.

This counter proposal was presented to the Secretary of the Army Brucker by Major General Maxwell E. Rich, President of the Adjutants General Association, at a luncheon in the Pentagon, at which Governors Foss, Griffin and Muskie were also present.

During the period of the conference, it was brought to the attention of the Adjutants General that the Armed Services Committee of the House of Representatives unanimously agreed to report House Concurrent Resolution No. 333, which expressed in unequivocal language the intent of the Congress that the National Guard should be maintained at a strength of 400,000. While this resolution does not have the force and effect of law, it has the effect of informing the Department of Defense that it is the intent of Congress to keep the National Guard at the 400,000 strength.

The members of the Special Commit-Governors transmitted by telegram to the Governors of each state and territory their recommendations that the states and territories review the current proposal for reorganizing the Army National Guard and stand resolute and together in support of the substitute plan developed by the Adjutants General Asssociation.

It can be anticipated that during the next few weeks no definite answer will

Army on the substitute plan. However, it is likely that reports and rumors unfavorable to the Guard may appear. It was emphasized at the conference that all the states and territories must stand together in untity. Recent events in the Middle East are indicative of the type of international tensions which our country may be confronted for the foreseeable future, and these happenings most certainly justify the efforts of the Adjutants General Association and the National Guard Association of the United States to maintain a strong, effective and trained Army National Guard.

Rumors are current throughout the Territory that the reorganization plan for the Hawaii Army National Guard, which was released by the Department of Army, has left many of our officers and enlisted men in doubt as to their future

It is expected that the Department of Defense will take the recommendations of Congress to maintain the national strength of the National Guard at 400,-000; and with the approval of the counter proposal by the Department of Army, the allocation of troops to the states and territories will be in accordance with what is wanted by all Governors and Adjutants General.

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The HNG SSB is composed of three committees, with officers elected from the committee members. The Executive Committee is the policy-making body, while the Marksmanship Committee coordinates all competitve shooting, and the Athletic Committee arranges for sports tournaments and inter-organization sports competition.

Let's examine the aims and functions of the SSB to better understand what we, as individual Guardsman, may derive from the board.

Firstly, all units are represented on the committees and officers of the Army and Air National Guard are members of the Executive Committee. As in any business, funds are necessary for operation. The SSB obtains funds from three sources - profit from sponsorship of rifle and pistol tournaments; donations from units or other funds and fund-raising campaigns, such as the recent cookie sale.

The mission of the SSB is to formulate policies, to develop and stimulate sports and small arms activities, and to organ-

ize, coordinate and supervise all HNG Territorial tournaments.

The one sentence giving the mission, encompasses many details such as scheduling sports events, obtaining officials for tournaments, providing air and ground transportation, procurement of trophies, and finally the presentation

Assistance is given many deserving units and individuals. For example: the HNG Winter League Baseball team and 1st Lt John Beaumont, our Olympic Pistol Team member. Additionally, funds are expended to insure that visting NG teams from other States fully enjoy their stay in Hawaii. In justifiable instances, as approved by the Executive Committee, units requiring some types of athletic equipment are assisted by the SSB.

The SSB is working for you and you may help the board by participating in the athletic and marksmanship programs. If you have suggestions or would like information regarding specific situations, address any of the following members of the Executive Committee: Major General F. W. Makinney, Col John Campbell, Lt Col Forest A. Hatfield, Lt Col Clarence R. Johnson, Lt Col Edward M. Yoshimasu, Major David deCosta, Major Paul K. Gova, Capt Howard G. Christ, Capt Joseph O'Donnell, CWO Ralph K. Apo.

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# **HNG SUMMER CAMP NOTES 1958**

### Army and Air

The 1958 HARNG field training was one of the best that the units have participated in. This is the consensus of opinion on all levels and as exemplified by the field training performance ratings issued by the Army Field Training In-Evaluation Report.

For Staff Performance we received all Superior Grades (10). For Field Training Performance, the following grades were given: 35 Superiors, 15 Excellents and 10 Very Satisfactories. For Annual Unit Training, 12 Superiors were given, 21 Excellents, 25 Very Satisfactories and 2 Satisfactories. No Unsatisfactories were given in any cata-

The two satisfactory ratings in the annual unit training was due to the low attendance of personnel at field training from the units concerned — the results of the sugar strike attributed directly to low attendance at field training.

The elaborate pre-camp planning and reconnaissances of the training areas and the time consuming preparations at all levels of command added immensely to the success of the field training. The formal initial plans were formulated at the Commanders' Conference held in November 1957 with HARNG staff and major unit commanders and RA advisors as participants. The conference was followed by the Initial Requirements Conference in March 1958 and the Final Coordination Conference in May 1958 between the USARHAW/25th Inf Div staff and the HARNG staff and major unit commanders.

The staff performance in pre-camp planning and preparation, in the preparation and issuance of orders and directives, in the inter-staff and intra-staff coordination and in the supervision of training were superior.

Some of the many outstanding training observed were: the 299th Infantry training in tank-infantry and in mobile task-force; the Combined Aviation Section training in artillery fire adjustment; the 227th Engr Bn and 230th Engr Co construction of the AAA gun emplacements; the 158th AAA Bn, 297th AAA Bn and 298th AAA Bn performance in the TT; and the on-the-job training of the 613th Ord Co, the 120th MP Co

and the 120th Sig Spt Co.

The assistance from USARHAW/25th Inf Div and the AAA Advisor and umpire Teams from Fort Bliss were outstanding. Their enthusiasm and professional accomplishment of their assigned spection Board in their ARNG Training duties coupled with the enthusiastic receptiveness to learn as shown by the members of HARNG added greatly to the success of the 1958 field training.

### 1958 SUMMER ENCAMP HANG

All units of the Hawaii Air National Guard probably enjoyed their most successful summer encampment to date, during the 1958 Field Training period. With the 199th Fighter Interceptor Squadron being in the process of converting to F-86L all-weather aircraft, great strides were taken towards operating under an integrated team concept.

The HAFNG units were subjected to their Annual Air Inspection during this period, which was conducted by the Pacific Air Forces IG Office. Incorporated within the normal inspection was an Operational Readiness Evaluation of the units, this evaluation being in the form of a test of the operational capabilities of the Hawaii Air National Guard. The test was given in two phases - an evaluation of the entire Air Defense System; and an evaluation of the HAFNG capabilities within that system. All units received a rating of Satisfactory. Many problem areas were brought out through the ORE, and the benefits were therefore felt to be highly satisfactory.

The 199th Fighter Interceptor Squadron concentrated on a ground training program for the Aircraft Maintenance Section during the encampment. The flying program was therefore held down to an extent, with emphasis being given to the transitioning of pilots into the new aircraft. The encampment was satisfactory in all respects, and resulted in a firm basis from which to conduct the forthcoming annual program of operation training.

Both the 109th and 169th AC&W Squadrons concentrated on streamlining all operational procedures and upgrading all personnel in their respective AFSC's. In all respects, their encampment was highly successful, and will enable a more intense operational training program during the forthcoming

### **DOLLARS SUPPORT**

Each year we attend field training at Schofield Barracks, Dillingham AFB, Pohakuloa Training site, or Hickam AFB, and seldom realize how many dollars are spent to support our activities. Lt Colonel Clark G. Johnson, U. S. Property and Fiscal Officer, as logistical advisor to the Adjutant General, is responsible for this support, dollar-wise and equipment-wise. He is a assisted by Lt Col Forest A. Hatfield, G-4, HARNG, and CWO Joseph E. Barnett, Base Supply Officer, HAFNG.

Federal funds expended for field training 1958 in support of the Army National Guard were: Pay, \$418,900; Subsistence, \$56,250; POL, \$14,490; Ammunition and RCAT's, \$466,645; Transportation, \$62,290.

The Air National Guard was supported with the following Federal dollars: Pay, \$98,050; Subsistence, \$13,-590; Aviation fuel, \$36,620.

Another figure which may startled you is the transportation support furnished by USARHAW/25th Inf Division durcamp. (These figures do not include the commercial airlift or the barge shipment). A total of 31,855 ton miles and 49,780 passenger miles were moved by the Highway Section of the Transportation Division.

To prepare our various camp sites for occupancy, USARHAW/25th Inf Div Hgs spent over \$31,000. Our total expenditures for Field Training 1958 were in the neighborhood of \$1,216,066.

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### The Blue Continent...

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to the diver is often mistaken for a hungry pass. However, in most cases, an underwater yell will send him scampering for the next county.

Exploring the depths is becoming an increasingly popular sport. Many divers are finding a wide variety of man made "treasures" on the ocean floor.

Rings, outboard motors, lead weights, anchors, spears and spear guns, swim fins and even a rod and reel have been found by exploring underwater enthusiasts.

A few years ago, a group of divers "found" the wreckage of a jet plane in 40 feet of water off Makua, Waianae. Later investigation proved it to be a Marine jet which had crashed during maneuvers a few weeks previous.

A waterlogged, slightly damaged row boat, found in 30 feet of water off Waimanalo was claimed by three divers who later repaired it for their own use.

In the vicinity of Rabbit Island, Makapuu, the hull of a small coal freighter rests on the bottom in approximately 50 feet of water.

In front of the Waikiki Elks club, situated on a small submerged plateau, the remains of an old freighter are plainly visible and often visited by SCUBA divers.

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# AFPS NEWS

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UNITS TO MAN

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An important new era for the Army National Guard opens early in September when it will become a full-time partner in the nation's missile defense program.

The Department of Army recently announced that at that time selected units in California will take over certain Nike-Ajax sites from the active Army, climaxing more than a year of intensive training, planning and coordination.

Between August 16-30 units of California's 720th AAA Missile Bn will conduct annual training exercises in the Los Angeles area. This training period will mark the final stage in the battalion's missile conversion program, and soon thereafter the Army will officially turn over equipment and operational responsibility of the sites to the unit.

The battalion then becomes a permanent member of the Army Air Defense System and an element of the 47th Arty Brig.

In announcing the conversion, Secretary of the Army Wilber M. Brucker said acceptance of the Army Air Defense role by the California National Guard is of "tremendous significance" to the nation.

The Army said a nationwide conversion program involving more than a score of National Guard battalions is planned.

In addition to the California battalions, units are scheduled for conversion in Connecticut, Illinois, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Virginia, Washington, Wisconsin, the District of Columbia and Hawaii.

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CWO THOS. C. SEE, JR.
HQ 298th AAA
GROUP

QUES.: I enlisted in the National Guard in 1956 when I was seventeen. Is it possible for me to volunteer for six (6) months training now?

ANS.: Yes, only if you must complete this training to qualify for a commission in the Hawaii Army National Guard as specified in NGR 20-2. In this case, applications for such training must be approved by NGB.

QUES.: If I go to a service school on the Mainland and purchase a new car while there, am I authorized to ship my car to Hawaii via Military transport?

ANS.: No.

QUES.: Is any Guardsman authorized issue of an Armed Services Vehicle Decal? My unit commander tells me that there are certain restrictions.

ANS.: The issuance of Armed Services Vehicle Decals to Guardsmen is limited to those individuals who must operate their personal vehicle on a Military post in connection with their duties or membership in the National Guard.

QUES.: I need a breakdown of pay forwarded to me for field training for my employer. Who can give me this info?

ANS.: This information can be furnished to you by your unit commander.

QUES.: I've been quite curious about the proposed Nike status of our National Guard units. Although I'm not in AAA I am very much interested in this phase of our Nation's defense. Is it possible for me to apply for Nike training regardless of my unit assignment?

ANS.: Yes, if assignment to an AAA unit is anticipated.

QUES.: Although there is currently a ceiling imposed on our unit strength, can I assure some of my friends that this ceiling is only temporary?

ANS.: The ceiling strength imposed upon Army National Guard units is not a temporary restriction. Enlistments

may be accomplished only if there are vacancies in the unit.

QUES.: If elements of the Hawaii National Guard are called to active Military service, may I request release if I am the sole surviving son in my family?

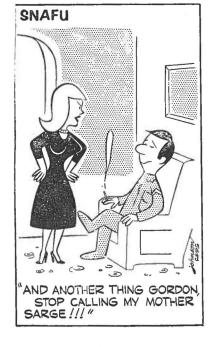
ANS.: No.

QUES.: I have heard a little about the Medical Care Act for Dependents. I am currenly a member of HMSA (Hawaii Medical Service Association) and would like to suspend my dues for six (6) months while I attend service school, since my family will be covered by the above act. Can I do this without impairing my HMSA status when I return?

ANS.: It is recommended that you contact HMSA on this question.

QUES.: The Regular Army just recently adopted a new enlisted grade structure. Will Guard units also be affected by this?

ANS.: Yes, the new enlisted grade structure will be adopted by the National Guard. However, implementing instructions have not been issued by NGB as yet.



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### Report of the Past President...

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Conference of the National Guard Association to Honolulu will meet their final test at Atlantic City, New Jesey, during the period 29 September-2 October when the Eightieth Conference con-

Trade Wind Tours, our exclusive agent, has been meeting with our Steering Committee to develop the strategy to be used in selling Hawaii to the convention. As I have previously advised you, the only serious obstacle to a national convention in Honolulu is the cost incident thereto to the individual delegates. This item has been the only factor stressed in replies from several State Associations to our requests for support. Our delegates will make a strong bid but our success cannot be taken for granted—there is opposition and strong competition, too, especially from New York.

Incidentally, our delegates to the national convention from the Hawaii National Guard Association as selected at the Annual Conference at Schofield during summer training are: 299th RCT -Lt Col Paul Schattauer, Air National Guard - Capt George Fanning, 298th AAA Group - Lt Col John Becker (we are advised Maj John Naumu will be substituted for Col Becker), Special Troops - Lt Col Clarence R. Johnson. General Makinney has announced that the following officers have been selected to represent the Military Department at large: Lt Col Clark Johnson, Maj Paul Goya, Capt George Miki, and CWO Fred Robello.

There is, however, the item of transportation by MATS which may have an adverse effect on the whole delegation. MATS transportation from here to California must now be reimbursed and the machinery for this has not yet been developed. We are working on it, but we must face the possibility that it may not be satisfactorily arranged. This could mean a drastic reduction in delegates if our people have to go via commercial air. The California National Guard, through the courtesy of Major General Earle M. Jones, is again transporting our people from California to Atlantic City and return. We are indeed indebted to General Jones for the courtesy extended us over the past years. Without it, our costs would be prohibitive and our delegations would have been seriously curtailed.

I would like to remind you that Hawaii has always been 100% in membership in the National Association. We had a little difficulty last year in achieving and maintaining 100% membership. Let us all support our new president and meet our goal now. So, if you have not yet paid your dues, do so. Support the National Guard Association. It pays good dividends.

Subscriptions to our magazine, The Hawaii Guardsman, are still lagging. All officers and all enlisted men should subscribe. Commanders should exercise every effort to secure subscriptions; without proper command supervision, results will be poor. This is well demonstrated in the subscription lists currently available; were command action is forceful, subscription rates are high. Conversely, the opposite is true. Sup port the Hawaii Guardsman! Subscribe

# **AFPS** NEWS

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A small number of Air Force Reserve and Air National Guard pilots and navigators will be offered the opportunity to return to extended active duty with the Strategic Air Command during the Next few months, the Air Force has announced.

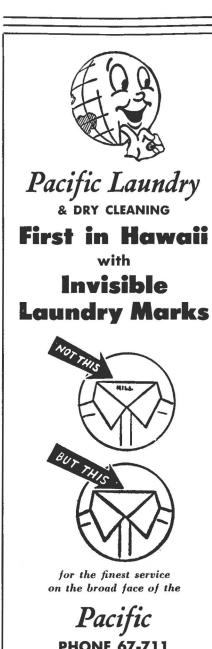
The voluntary recall program will be open to captains and lieutenants who are qualified pilots or navigators of SAC aircraft. These include B-52 and B-47 bombers, and KC-135 and KC-97

Reserve pilots and navigators recalled to active duty will be eligible for career reserve service or for regular Air Force appointments.

Reserve officers who will need training into one of these SAC combat crew specialties will not be considered in the recall program.

The Air Force said it has no plans to recall reservists in other military specialties at this time.

The Air Force pointed out that the Mid East situation had no direct bearing on this small recall program.



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### "Bail Out"...

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seat in which Johnston was still strapped, shot out of the cockpit. The wind tore at his face. His eyes slammed down in their sockets. His arms felt heavy.

Then, in less time than it takes to tell it, his automatic seatbelt buckle opened, spilling him clear of the seat.

With his right hand, he reached across his chest, grasped the parachute ripcord and pulled. Seconds later there was a sharp jerk.

Floating down, Johnston had time to think. Physically he was alright. Glancing up at his 'chute, he saw a large rip in one of the 28 pannels. During pilot training, he was told this sometimes happens. "No sweat," he thought.

Preparing for his watery landing, he discarded his helmet, flight gloves, shoes and socks and inflated his lifejacket.

Looking around from his lofty perch, he could see a multitude of activity. Off to his left, the Cougar jet was still circling. To his right, a Hawaiian Airlines plane was circling, the passengers not believing their eyes. Above him, a C-124 was orbiting. Below, a destroyer was steaming toward him.

Suddenly, a jet with Hawaii Air National Guard markings on it streaked past him, coming dangerously close. Then he recognized it! It was his own, pilotless jet taking the final plunge. Ironically, the jet made a perfect wheelsup landing on the ocean, sending spray 50 feet into the air as it hit. The seemingly undamaged plane floated for a few moments, than sank from sight.

A few seconds later, Johnston entered the water. Slipping out of his 'chute harness, he inflated his one man life raft and climbed aboard.

Ten minutes later, the destroyer U.S.S. Phillip threw him a line.

As he sat in the gailey of the destroyer, wrapped in a navy blanket, drinking hot coffee, the ship's Captain walked in and introduced himself. "I understand from my dispensary that you're in good shape," he said, "We've radioed your unit and told them you're

Johnston smiled.

The Captain sat down. "We just started maneuvers out here this morning. We can return you to shore right now or later this afternoon, when we've completed our assignment."

Johnston looked up from his coffee, "If it wouldn't be too much trouble sir, I'd like to get back as soon as possible. I'm scheduled for a flight later this afternoon."

The Captain smiled and put his hand on Johnston's shoulder. "No, it won't be too much trouble son, we'll get you back in time for your flight."





### HAWAII NATIONAL GUARD SUMMER ENCAMPMENT - 1958



Top: 111th Army NG Band serenaders.
Center: 299th RCT problem.
Bottom: 120th Signal Company establish communication.

Top: A popular hour. Center: Army Aviation re-support mission. Bottom: 158th AAA boys learn about the R-CAT.

Top: Gen I. D. White inspects 297th AAA Center: They search for strangers. Bottom: 487th FA Bn at Pohakuloa

Top: 90 MM AA gun in full recoil at Dillingham AFB, Center: 227th Engrs probe for mines. Bottom: Men of 299th RCT enter personnel carrier.



### HANG

### By 2/LT RANDALL WHITE

Well, another Summer Camp has passed by the board for the 199th Fighter Interceptor Squadron when the "Hawaiian Warriors of Kukailimoku" doffed Air Force blues and returned to their home on 5 July. The Squadron did their training at Hickam Air Force Base.

Some 457 of them attended the encampment, representing 98 per cent of the Squadron's membership, according to Maj Walter F. Judd, Executive Officer. Maj Judd added that this "compared favorably with attendance of past years."

"One of the most productive camps we have had," said Lt Col James R. Ashford, Commander of the 199th. "Considering the status of our training," he said, "the squadron made a fine show during the Operational Readiness Evaluation." He commented that it would not be too long before the squadron would be considered a "hot all-weather outfit."

### OAHU "ATTACKED" BY AIR

Strategic Air Command's B-47 bombers and Kaneohe MCAS jet fighters "attacked" Oahu during the summer training of the 199th at Hickam AFB, but were intercepted by F-86L's in a test of the Island's air defenses during the Operational Readiness Evaluation. The first scramble of the jets began at 4 a.m.; by 9 a.m., some 30 Air Guard jets raced oceanward to find and "destroy" the aggressors.

### **HNG SERVICE MEDALS**

Gov William F. Quinn presented Hawaii National Guard Service Medals to 36 officers and airmen of the 199th who completed ten years of continuous service at the annual Governor's Day Parade during the encampment. The Squadron looked mighty sharp as they passed in review. Other reviewing officials were Maj Gen F. W. Makinney and Col Valentine A. Siefermann.

### LAST MAN OUT

2d Lt Walter M. Okino was the last pilot to qualify in the F-86L, the all-weather jet interceptor flown by the 199th. Lt Okino's check-out meant 100 per cent transition of all tactical pilots from the F-86E saber jets to the "L".

Lt Okino was all smiles as he was presented a lei by the Cherry Blossom Queen, Jane Kuwata, as he taxied-in.



Pretty Jayne Kuwata, 1958 Cherry Blossom Queen, drapes a lei around 2d Lt Walter M. Okino, tactical pilot with the 199th Fighter Interceptor Squadron. Lt Okino was the last pilot to check out with the F-86L, the all-weather jet interceptor flown by the 199th. The Squadron was scheduled to complete transition of all pilots to the "L" at the end of camp; the changeover, however, was done in nine days.

(199th HAFNG photo)

### "THE 'L' WAS SURE TESTED"

Robert (Bob) Hoover, former chief experimental test pilot for North American Aviation Inc., treated spectators to a spectacular display of aerial maneuvers with the F-86L at Kaneohe Marine Corps Air Station. Bob, who is a member of an F-86L Aircrew Indoctrination Team, did a roll on take-off, 4, 8, and 16-point hesitation rolls, a low-speed fly-by wherein he literally dragged the plane's tail 50 feet off the runway while traveling at a mere 95 mph, and a dazzling one-wheel landing first on the left and then on the right wheel.

Bob emphasized that these maneuvers were performed primarily to show the capabilities of the F-86L.

### SUMMER CAMP V.I.P.

Col Jack D. Blanchard, Chief of the Operations and Training Branch, Air Force Division, NGB, visited the 199th at Hickam AFB. Col Blanchard, who was accompanied by Lt Col David H. Konin on the trip, was here to observe and inspect National Guard units in the Islands as well as look into training problem areas.

### 109th-A.C.&W.

OPERATIONS ELECTRONICS.

Wham-Bam! Scrape-Scrunch! Ouch-Ow! \*XYZ\*GRR?! These familiar sounds can only emit from a room where people are working against the clock! To accommodate the new off-duty classes in Electronics Fundamentals at the Sand Island Base, our two Comm-Electronics men SSGT Warren Shishido and A2c Benn Pabingwit have industriously contributed their time in constructing a projection booth and other classroom facilities in the former Communications Room. Upon completion, this Electronic Audio-Visual Training Auditorium will be equipped with a movie projector, a transparency & opaque projector, a film slide & strip projector and voice reproducers. The auditorium will seat at least a hundred people comfortably.

The Electronic Laboratory which is in a separate location is equipped with a \$5,000 Electronic Circuit Trainer with Test Equipment worth upwards of \$5,000. This Laboratory will accommodate sixteen people.

It is contemplated that the off-duty group study program will begin sometime in September on Wednesday evenings in Building 510 at Sand Island. The course material is being furnished by the USAF Extension Course Institute. This program is sponsored and will be supervised by the Comm-Electronics Section. Invitations have been extended to all interested personnel of this unit as well as those of the 169th ACWRON and 158th AAA.

AIR TECHNICAL PERSONNEL CHANGES. Newly assigned to the Alert Augmentation Detachment at Kahuku are the following personnel: MSGT Meliton Adversalo (Radar Maintenance), Alc Charles Mizuta (Administration), Alc Alexandar Chun, A2c's Don Castaneda, Randolph Freeman, Roy Takeda, Anthony Tamanaha, and A3c Steven Alameida (Radar Operations), and A3c Robert Toma (Radio Maintenance). At Sand Island is Alc Earle Char (Administration).

Aloha to SSGT Wendell Kim and Alc James Akamine (Radar Operations) who have transferred to the 169th ACWRON at Koko Head.

CONTRIBUTIONS. The collections made at the pay line resulted in \$356 collected for the Hawaii Guard Association. This represented \$205 from Officer personnel and \$151 from the Airmen.

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The 109th contributed \$211 in meeting its assigned quota for the National Guard Association Memorial Building Fund.

INSPECTIONS & VISITS. The IG inspected the Training Plant at Sand Island during Field Training and rated it Superior.

On 4 August, the Alert Augmentation Detachment at Kahuku was visited by Major General F. W. Makinney, the Adjutant General of Hawaii and Major General Archibald Stuart, Commanding General of U. S. Army Hawaii/25th Infantry Division.

ALERT FLIGHT. On 3 August, "A" Flight of the Alert Augmentation Detachment with Lt Raymond Moriguchi at the helm, was instrumental in assisting an aircraft in distress to a safe landing. The aircraft, an Air Force C-119 with one engine feathered, touched down at Lihue Airport without mishap.

Grinding through school locally are Captain Charles Saito (CBR School, Pearl Harbor), MSGT Walter Sugiyama, and SSGT Alexander Brenner (AF Basic Management School, Hickam AFB).

TSGT Samuel Kekaula, NCOIC of the Air Police Section, was awarded the Hawaii National Guard Service Medal for ten continuous years of faithful service in the National Guard. A2c Herbert Kuratsu of the Radar Operations Section was awarded the Three-year Attendance Badge at the close of camp.

### 169th KOKO KOLUMN

By "MAGGIE" MAGNETRON

### **NEW TRAINING SCHEDULE:**

The 169th ACWRON officially started to train on one weekend per month commencing in July. The reasons for this weekend (Saturday-Sunday) training were many folds, however, the end result was to better train the personnel. The response was excellent and the squadron is looking forward to one of the best years since its organization in 1956.

As a means to understand stock marketing and to see their investment grow, several personnel of the squadron decided to group together and form a club. They call it the 169th Investment Club and has Major Paul Goya as its president, TSgt Gilbert Yoshida, vice-president, SSgt James Oshiro, secretary and SSgt Edward Uemori, treasurer.

The 169th ACWRON is planning to organize a blood bank reserve for the benefit of its members. In a near future, constitution and by-laws of the blood bank reserve will be announced.

Presently attending the Interceptor Directors Course at Tyndall AFB are: Lts. Kazuo Yamamoto and Clifford Heu. They are expected back in October.

At press time, the 160th ACWRON will be loosing two of the most capable NCOs and technicians from the Air Technician Detachment. They are: MSgt John W. Keisler, who intends to enter college and MSgt Robert T. Nashiro, who will be employed by the Civil Aeronautics Administration as an aircraft radio maintenance man. The squadron will miss their services and hopes that their new endeavors be marked with success.

### 298тн ААА

The reason for that proud look that Lt. Col. John Becker has been carrying around for the past month undoubtedly stems from the fantastic record set by this Battalion during summer camp. Here is what the 298th Bn accomplished:

- 1. 14 RCAT Kills Hightest in Group History.
- 2. Results of Army Training Test by Btry. A 92.7; B 94.2; C 94.98; D 90.0—Bn average 92.97. This was highest average in the Group.
- 3. With Hq & C Btry. each pulling down 100%, the Bn attendance average was 98.8% highest in Group.
- 4. The 298th AAA Bn took highest honors in Group for fielding and attendance.
- Hq Btry. 298th AAA Bn Field Training Performance — 99.81% again highest in Group.
- 6. C Btry. made the highest score in Group for the firing phase of the ATT with a phenominal 4 RCAT Kills in 5 passes for a 97.96% score a near national record.

A mighty impressive accomplishment indeed and you can be rest assured we all share Col. Becker's pride. It was the result of a lot of hard work by all concerned.

None of us will ever forget that torrid day, Thursday, July 3, 1958, when after the flame and smoke had died away, only twisted bits of 9 RCATs remained. "C" Btry's "Ti Leaf" boys from over Kaneohe way seemed to have gone suddenly berserk when they shot down 5 in just 6 passes. It was the ultimate, the climax, the glorious reward to a Battery that had known hard times in the past.

In other summer camp news — Trophies were awarded to the top NCO, SFC Benjamin Au of "C" Btry; the top EM Sp2 Bruno Oroyan "A" Btry; and the top mess to "B" Btry during the big "NCO Parade" (1st in this Bn's history) held at Dillingham Field.

In an impressive change of command ceremonies last July 20th Lt. Col. Edward Yoshimasu, a combat veteran of the famed 100th Battalion of World War II, succeeded Lt. Col. Becker as our Battalion Commander. Col. Becker becomes Group Executive Officer. Our sincere best wishes go to these two fine soldiers.

### **158TH AAA BN**

158th AAA Bn had their first organizational picnic on August 3 at Bellows Air Field. This was planned as a Unit Day being close to the founding date of the battalion on 7 July. Members and their families attended and participated in a day of sports, swimming, and a pot-luck picnic lunch. The actual number of personnel in the battalion were greatly outnumbered by wives and children.

Btry C, out in force, challenged all comers in softball. The fact that they won the softball game was questioned by several people as the umpire was the new Battery Executive Officer, Lt Rudolph C. Thomas, who claimed impartiality. However, to any serious observer this impartiality was rather suspect.



Btry D was given the concession of 111TH HARNG BAND running the free shave-ice concession. You could have any flavor you wanted, provided it was half strawberry and half

At a afternoon gathering Col Sugihara presented two battalion trophies. Btry C got the Best Battery Trophy (based upon a combination of factors including IG, Tech Inspections, Field Training, etc.) and Btry D got the Firing Battery Trophy for having received the highest score in the Army Training Test at Field Training. Due to the unavailability of the Group Athletic Officer, the Group Volleyball Championship Trophy was not presented. It will be presented to Btry C at a later date.

In line with newspaper reports concerning the coming conversion of Antiaircraft Artillery units on Oahu into Missile units, this battalion sent off its first eight men to the Fort Bliss Missile School. Eight other men, already at Fort Bliss, were converted from the Gun Radar courses into Missile radar and material courses for a total of 16 individuals taking this type of training. The courses run 36 and 42 weeks in length. All are full-time workers of the battalion.

# by SFC WILLIAM T. H. YUEN

The band has organized a Dance Orchestra comprised of 14 members.

The arrangement of members are as follows: Reed Section, 1st Alto Sax, PFC David K. Kawamoto; 2nd Tenor Sax, Sgt James K. Ahloy; 3rd Alto Sax, SP3 Thomas T. Yamane Jr.; 4th Tenor Sax, PFC Roy T. Morikawa and 5th Baritone Sax, SFC William T. H. Yuen. Bass Section, 1st Trumpet Player, SP3 Henry I. Konishi; 2nd Trumpet Player, PFC Henry H. Mato and 3rd Trumpet Player, SP3 George H. Komatsu.



On the Trombone Section we have as 1st Trombone Player, SP3 Thomas M. Mato; 2nd Trombone Player, SP3 Richard T. Mato and 3rd Trombone Player, SP3 Kenneth F. Kamakahi.

The Rhythm Section have Sgt George S. Kapeliela on the String Bass, SP3 Benjamin Rosete on the Drums and SP3 Gerald Wong on the Piano.

A Jazz Combo was also organized by Sgt James Ahloy among members of the dance band. They call themselves the "Jam Ups". All members of the dance band are experienced players in dance music since they perform with various civilian orchestras. PFC David K. Kawamoto is the leader of the "Continentals" and SP3 Henry I. Konishi is the leader of the "Modernaires" two top bands currently performing for school functions, parties and various occasions.

### 120 TH SIGNAL SUP CO

The men of the 120th Sig. Spt. Co. greeted their new Army Signal Advisor, Major Wyatt A. Arnold, who comes to Hawaii from Fort Monmouth, New Jersey. With him, he brings 191/2 years of Signal Corps experience. As he most diplomatically puts it, "I want you men to know - I begged to be here with you in Hawaii."

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Last weekend the men of the radio platoon were placed on alert - "CON-DITION WHITE". This was in anticipation of communication difficulty due to the expectant storm condition.

Completing the Basic Communication course at the 25th Infantry division school were the following men: PFC Richmond K. Aiu, PFC Juan Ancheta. PFC Wilfred K. M. Au, SP2 Elmer W. Coyle Jr., Pvt Michael Escobar, SP2 Earl W. Gomes, SP3 Yoshiharu Hirashima, SP3 Warren T. Isuimi, PFC Peter Kamakawiwoole, PFC Carlton A. Kop, PFC Edmind O. M. Lum, SP3 Thomas H. Matsumoto, Pvt Paul I. Motoyama, SP3 Moses K. Matsunobu, SP3 Franklin S. Nakahara, Pvt Mike Rivera, PFC John Stevenson, PFC George T. Yamao, and SP3 Calvin Yuen. Coming through with flying colors was SP3 Franklin S. Nakahara who scored 100% in the final examinations. Of the 18 men that attended 14 scored over 90% and averaging 94.86%, an outstanding record of achievement.

Attending service schools on the mainland are SP3 Robert P. T. Lewis enrolled in a 5 months course in teletype repairing and PFC Ernest A. Katsuyoshi enrolled in a 4 months course in radio-telephone operations.

Presentations of the "BEST SOLDIER AWARD" and the "MOST IMPROVED SOLDIER AWARD" went to Sgt. Anthony Torres of the Radio-Carrier platoon and Pvt Raymond K. Peters of the wire platoon respectively at annual company "SHIN-DIG".

Most prized possession in our company at the present time is a "Letter of Commendation" to our CO Capt. Joseph T. Kuroda from Brig Gen Frank A. Alameda AGC, HARNG, Commanding. commending the members of our unit on the excellent appearance of our company area at Area X, Schofield, and the soldierly manner in which we maintain our organization. Certainly a credit to the Hawaii Army National Guard. This letter was a result of an unscheduled inspection of all units in the Special Troops by General Alameda.

# By 1st Lt Louis S. Inagaki

The 227th Engineer Battalion, under the command of Lt Col Clyde W. Woods. Jr., completed its second successful summer encampment as Engineer Troops.

Esprit De Corps and morale was high, as the line companies, supported by Hq. H&S Co, and guided by the staff, went through the paces to earn the admiration and respect of the regular army inspection teams.

"Company B" put up a Bailey Panel Bridge in 47 minutes, which, in the words of R. A. Instructors was "Terrific for reserve Engineers!"

For earnest participation and practical training in field fortification, demolitions, bridge construction, and tactics, our units came off with the following ratings: Med Det-Maj Lau, Commanding, Superior; Hq, H&S Co - Capt C. Kippen. Commanding, Excellent; Co A -1st A. Lum, Commanding, Excellent; Co B - 1st Lt A. Thoene, Commanding, Excellent; Co C — 1st Lt R. Chang, Commanding. Excellent.

Highlights of the 2 weeks training came, when, during the second week, the Battalion constructed 90mm gun emplacements for the 158th AAA Battalion.

Using bulldozers, graders, air compressors, cranes and pioneer equipment, the men cleared, stripped, graded, and erected a total of 16 emplacements at the following sites:

Co A - Fort Barrette, 4 emplace ments: Co B - Sand Island, 4 emplacements: Co Co - Fort Ruger, 4 emplacement; 230th Engr Co (Attached), Wainae, 4 emplacements.

Hq H&S Co gave its usual outstanding support to operations of the Line Companies.

The climax of the year's training came, when Maj Gen F. W. Makinney awarded the 227th Engr Bn's "Best Company" plaque to "B" Co, commanded by 1st Lt Alexander Thoene, at the batta lion parade grounds.

Other awards, which were presented at the battalion gathering were:

Best Company

THE ENGINEER BATTALIO

a. Battalion Recruiting Trophy to "A"

Co, commanded by 1st Lt Alexis Lum, for recruiting the most new members during the recent membership drive.

b. Battalion Volleyball trophy to "B" Co, Battalion champs of the recently completed volleyball league.

Our sincere good wishes to Pvt-2 Roy Kobayashi of Hg, H&S Co, who left for West Point in the midst of the 2 weeks



### HO & HO CO by MSgt Wagner Yanagihara

Another field training camp is under our belts and the opinion of the majority is, "the best camp yet." Morale was extremely high, and the cooperation received from the various sections was tremendous. Bouquets especially to MSgt Lionel Arruda (I & R Plat), MSgt Kenneth Koizumi (Comm Plat), MSgt Mitsuo Hasegawa (S1), SFC Masaji Ozeki (Mess) and Sgt Ralph Kami (Motor). The worst was anticipated,

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since the actual EM strength at camp was 66, the lowest in the history of the unit. However, the old adage held true. "Don't cross your bridges until you come to them." Lt George Makaea Jr., company commander and Lt Toshio Nishida, platoon leader, I&R Platoon who were reassigned just prior to camp will back this to the hilt. Add to all this, the fact that you couldn't find any group huddled around a blanket after pay day in the company area. Believe it or not, the men were polishing and comparing boots, and "spit polish" at that.

As in the past, we lost MEN: PFC's Kenneth Carvalho, George Mabuni, Stanley Okinaka, James Kaku and Garvey Yamamoto to the Armed Forces, and PFC Ronald Wong to the 120th Sig Spt Co. It never fails, immediately after camp.

We welcomed the return of Pvt's James Mata, Albert Matsuda, Patrick Petti and Ernesto Raniada from 6 months ACDUTRA and Lt Ronald Tong from Fort Benning, Ga.

# 110th ARMY BAND by MSgt Samuel Bishaw

The men of this unit have come through again in the last recruiting drive by enlisting eight new musicians. Congrats are in order to all for the superior support during our recruiting drive.

Although field training is over, the memories still linger with the band. We attended camp with our raw recruits (some of whom have never been to Oahu) and they proved themselves to be able soldiers and musicians.

Under the able guidance of members of the 25th Div Band we were able to snap into a smart marching unit. Another event that was enjoyed by all was the hour and a half concert presented for us by the 25th Div Band. Although there were fifty members playing in one room, the music was so sweet that there isn't one of us who can truthfully say he wasn't rocked to sleep.

### TANK CO (90MM GUN) by CWO W2 Yoshiaki Kanekuni

Having completed another successful encampment at the Pohakuloa Training Area, Tank Co is again back to the old camping grounds at Lyman Field and the usual daily routine. Although not attaining 100% attendance at field training due to the recent sugar strike, every individual attending enjoyed the camp immensely. This was due to hard work

and cooperation among the members of this unit. Most of the training was concentrated on tank tactics and firing of the 90mm Guns. The tankers also conducted night firing exercises and this was accomplished in an excellent manner. The maintenance section kept the tanks in excellent condition.

We are very sorry to lose SP3 Leroy P. Correa who left for the mainland and SP3 Richard T. Amano who decided to join the Army.

Departing for 6 months ACDUTRA on 28 July 58 were: Pvt's Samson H. Brown, Rody H. Enos, Manuel Fontes, Monico Nelmida, Myles T. Tamanaha.

### SERVICE CO by MSgt Saburo Miyasaki

Service Company, 299th Infantry, has just completed field training with a "Superior" and is very proud of the 99% rating for the training phase; the highest in the 299th RCT. This could not have been accomplished without the "kokua" of all the men and officers of this unit and to the help received from the Regimental staff.

We are anticipating a trip to Maui for the forthcoming softball territorial championship. We believe that this unit's team is capable of "copping" the Big Island National Guard championship to be held sometime in August or September. Spearheading the team are MSgt Antone DeSa, SFC Manuel P. Benevides, and Sgt Stanley A. Kinoshita.

The All-Service Rifle Tournament has just been completed and the shooters of this unit have gained a great deal of experience which will add to a greater competition during the forthcoming National Guard team match to be held in the near future.

### HEAVY MORTAR CO by Sfc Isidro Ibarra

Our company, commanded by Capt James N. Kuritani has just completed the annual summer encampment. Although not attaining 100% in attendance, training was very well executed.

This is the first time that we have trained at Pohakuloa and much credit goes to all the officers and men who made the training successful. Praises are extended to the mess personnel who did a swell job in keeping the men fed at all times.

Departing for 6 months ACDUTRA during the month of June were Pvt-2 Rodney S. Higa and Kenneth S. Nishihira. In the near future the technical inspections will be coming our way again and we're being kept busy getting our equipment into top shape.

# MEDICAL CO (-2 BN PLATS & DENTAL AUG) by Sfc Joseph Serrao

As we look back, annual field training is now a thing of the past. Through splendid cooperation, coordination and good morale, the Medical Co can once again boast another successful encampment.

Commendations should go to the Mess Personnel for their superb cooking, getting out of bed much earlier than the rest of the company and calling it a day when most of us have already signed out on pass.

Now that we are back at home station, and not being an exception to the Regiment, we find ourselves quite busy with the brush, cleaning and painting our equipment getting it back in top shape in preparation for the forthcoming technical and IG inspections.

# THIRD BN 299TH RCT by Captain Donald E. Wills

The "THIRD BATTALION" thundered through another Field Training with flying colors. The training, as in previous years was rough and tough but the experience gained by all was evident by the fine over all rating achieved by all units of the battalion. This could only have been accomplished through hard work and diligence on the part of each man. Especially noteworthy was the outstanding rating received by the Third Battalion Staff of 99.25.

Together with the main body's move to Field Training FY 1958, contingent of 26 men volunteering for the 6 months ACDUTRA moved out to join their new Army unit, the 25th Division at Schofield Barracks, Oahu, T. H. The following men represented the Third Battalion: Pvt-2 Clarence A. Andrade, Co K; Pvt-2 Wilfred P. Andrade, Co K; Pvt-2 Roy Antonio, Co L; Pvt-2 Elvin E. Aoyagi, Co M; Pvt-1Rodney J. Baptista, Co I; Pvt-1 John W. Cabrera, Co L; Pvt-2 Manuel Cazimero, Co L; Pvt-2 Walter K. H. Ching, Co L; Pvt-1 Stanley M. Enomoto, Co L; Pvt-1 Stanley W. Feliciano, Co I; Pvt-2 Enor Fuellas, Co L; Pvt-2 George A. Kaohu Jr., Co L; Pvt-1 Wilfred T. Kuniyuki, Co I; Pvt-2 Manubu Murakane, Hq & Hq Co 3d Bn; Pvt-1 Ronald H. Nagata, Co M; Pvt-2 Haruji J. Ogata, Co L; Pvt-2 Stanley S. Ota, Co K (-3d Plat); Pvt-1 Walter H. Otomo, Co M; Pvt-2 George S. Pule, Co L; Pvt-2 John G. Silva, Hq & Hq Co 3d Bn; Pvt-2 Richard A. Souza, Co I; Pvt-1

Charles H. Stevens, Co M; Pvt-1 Kenneth N. Takemoto, Co M; Pvt-2 Walter Tin Loy, Co L; Pvt-2 Bruno Villacorte, Co L; Pvt-2 James M. Yamashita, Co K (—3d Plat).

During May 1958, officers were reassigned throughout the Battalion. Captain Yoshiyuki Tahara, Commanding Officer of Company M at Laupahoehoe, was reassigned S-3 (Operations and Training) Headquarters, 3d Battalion, 299th Infantry, Honokaa. Lt Kuniaki R. Machida, who was Platoon Leader was reassigned Company Commander for Company M, 299th Infantry.

Recent graduate of the Infantry School, Fort Benning Georgia were: 2d Lt Alexander H. Morita, Company I, 299th Infantry, Paauilo, Hawaii T. H. Lt Morita attended the Basic Infantry Officer Course and came back with interesting, informative stories especially his experience at the big cities. SFC Robert H. Yokomizo was appointed 2d Lieutenant and assigned to Company K (—3d Rifle Platoon) 299th Infantry, Olaa T. H. He successfully completed the National Guard Infantry Officer Course at The Infantry School on 22 April 1958.

Since Summer Camp is now past history, all units of the 3d Battalion are now in full swing, bustling with activities for the Technical Inspections and the all important Inspector General's Inspections.



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### 230TH ENGR CO (C) by CWO W2 Anthony Cabral

Summer encampment for the engineers this year has been rated the best that we have had since 1948. During the second week, the 230th moved from Area X, Schofield, to Waianae to construct gun revetments for Battery B, 158th AAA Bn, HARNG. The speed of accomplishment bespeaks the high state of training the engineer men had, and the unity of purpose with regard to the cntire Hawaii Army National Guard, was superior.

After the Governor's Day parade on Saturday, June 21, the Engr Company moved to Waianae. At 1600 hours, the company area was set up and members were authorized to go on week-end passes. On Monday morning, construction began. SFC Louis Hokoana and SP3 Moses Rawlins operated the heavy equipment while the combat construction crew started to erect the board sidings. The next day, all dump trucks and drivers were on the road hauling coral to build up the sides with about 5 feet or more of protective matter. On Wednesday afternoon, the job was completed and on Thursday the company moved back to Area X Schofield.

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230th and also from the S3 and S4 sections of the 227th Engr Bn, as well as other members of that battalion, was outstanding. However, it was not all work and no play. After working hours, the members had the privilege of using the beach and rest camp located at Kapaha, Waianae.

An overall superior rating was earned by the 230th Engr Company for summer camp 1958. This ratings was earned by each member of the 230th and our slogan today is "Together We'll Work," and "United We Stand."

# 487TH FA BN By CWO CLARENCE M. IGNACIO

There is nothing the Artillery won't do or can't do: no place the Artillery won't or can't go. So said Major General David G. Barr, CG, 7th Infantry Division, Korea, 1950.

Some two hundred and fifty years ago, a Marlborough veteran is reported to have said "God and the soldier we adore in time of danger, not before; The danger passed, and all things righted, God is forgotten and the soldier slighted."

In 1941, Winston Churchill reportedly stated "Renown awaits the commander who first in this war restores artillery to its prime importance on the battlefield" to which General Eisenhower later added "The speed, accuracy, and devastating power of American Artillery own confidence and admiration from the troops it supported and inspired fear and respect in the enemy."

The above quotes are impressive, to say the least. Artillerymen are proud of the fact that one role of field artillery remains essentially unchanged. It is still the most explosive force the Army possesses. Proud too of another fact since the artillery is the only part of the Army with an unbroken record of active service from the Revolution (1775) to the present.

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With the announced reorganization of certain elements of the Hawaii Army National Guard, particularly reorganization of the Artillery Battalion into a Mortar Battery, many have querried the writer, "Where to from here?" Take a Wait and See attitude seems appropriate at the moment.

### HO & HO BTRY

The unit will bid farewell to one of the oldtimers, CWO W-3 Clarence M. Ignacio, who has already submitted his resignation to the HARNG. He will leave the Islands shortly and establish permanent residence on the mainland. Welcomed recently was Captain Paul B. Welch Jr., Unit Advisor. The Captain takes over where Major Richard Weightman left off.

### **ALFA & CHARLIE BATTERIES**

The tenth anniversary of the activation of batteries Alpha and Charlie was celebrated on 17 May at the Kealakekua Armory by members of both units, their immediate families and honored guests.

The festivities were in the form of a Luau. Included in the ceremonies was presentation of leis to the original 10 members. Local entertainment provided a well-rounded, gala affair.

The meal would have done credit to Duncan Hines — a good time was had by all — burp!

It took the personnel of both batteries about two weeks to get rid of the Pohakuloa dust which had accumulated on their person during the two-week field training period. Water at Pohakuloa is as abundant as coffee at Tantalus.

The units survived the two-week ordeal with minor casualties. One person was admitted to the Kona Hospital with a suspected case of acute appendicitis but some believe that he had too much to eat and actually had acute indigestion.

Battery Apha took the firing test honors. For this, they have been awarded the Grand Order of the Pohakuloa Dust Devils with cluster.

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Reenlistments and separations were experienced at the normal rate. Those leaving the Island of Hawaii included enlistees in the regular service and transferees to units on Oahu.

Returning from 6 months ACDUTRA were two youngsters. When asked how they enjoyed the training, both replied in unison "Nothing to it". So, they both decided to become career men. They volunteered for service with the regulars and should be in service by presstime.

### **BATTERY BRAVO**

First Lt Harold V. Ely, exchange teacher from San Jose, recently departed these parts for his home and a promotion.

Second Lt Alan P. Edwards decided to search for greener pastures and headed for the mainland. The loss of two officers within two months is being felt by those remaining since they are required to double up on their duties.

### SERVICE BATTERY

The Commander of this unit expresses his appreciation for all those who gave so generously of their time and effort to make the past field training a most successful and enjoyable one.

To all members of the 442nd RCT, all members of the 487th FA Bn wish you a most successful future and congratulate you on your fine organization of the 422nd Veterans Organization. Keep up the good work!



### By CWO PETER O. SIERRA

On June 14, 1958, from the hours of 0400 to 0750, Trans-Pacific Airlines airlifted 25 officers, 2 warrant officers, and 406 enlisted men from Kahului airport to Honolulu International Airport, when the "Mighty First" commanded by Major August M. Nascimento began the first day of Field Training for 1958.

Upon arrival at "tent-city" Area X,

Schofield Barracks, the first eight flight serials were treated to a breakfast consisting of bacon and eggs, toast, fresh milk, fruits, and hot coffee prepared by the advance mess detachment.

The first day of field training was utilized in the setting-up of the Bn CP, unit orderly rooms, supply tents, kitchens, and living quarters. The officers, NCOs and Instructors devoted the remainder of the day to prepare for the start of the tactical and concurrent training to commence the following day.

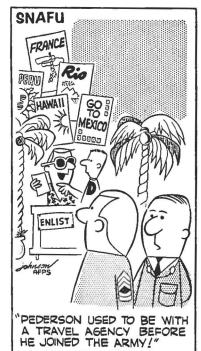
The highlight of every summer encampment is Governor's Day when the 299th RCT holds its annual review honoring the Governor of Hawaii or his representative at Schofield Barracks. During this special occasion, unit and individual awards are presented by the Governor. This year Company "Delta" again was honored for the second consecutive year when Acting Governor of Hawaii Mr. Farrant L. Turner presented the Eisenhower Trophy to Captain Isao Joyo, commanding officer of Co D.

Recipients of individual awards were Captain Charles H. Vierra, Co A, who received the HNG Service Medal, and Sfc William P. Bringuel, Hq Co, who was presented with the Nine Year Bar for Perfect Attendance of armory drills and field training. VIPs from Maui who witnessed this event were "Mayor" Eddie Tam, Senator Toshi Ansai, and Supervisor Hannibal Tavares. Immediately after the parade, these distinguished guests mingled with the troops of the 1st Battalion and later had lunch in the Hq Company mess.

On June 24 the 1st Battalion moved administratively by motor infiltration



Shown receiving the Eisenhower Trophy from Acting Governor of Hawaii Farrant Turner during the Governor's Day review is the Commanding Officer of Co. D, 299th Inf., HARNG, Capt. Isao Joyo from Kahului, Maui. (HARNG photo)



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Field Training 1958 came to a close on June 28 when TPA again airlifted this battalion from Oahu to Maui, the

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Field Training Performance Ratings for 1958 are as follows:

Hq & Hq Co — Superior Co A - Very Satisfactory Co B - Very Satisfactory Co C — Superior Co D - Excellent Med Plat - Excellent

Immediately upon the return of his battalion to Maui, Major Nascimento began plans for the Independence Day Parade which was held on July 4 at Wailuku. The crack 111th Army Band provided the marching music for this parade which was witnessed by hundreds of Mauians. At the review held on Wells Park, the people of Maui saw General Frank A. Alameda present the Eisenhower Trophy to Company D; the Outstanding Trainee Trophy to Pvt-2 Benjamin Felicilda of Co A; the 25-year Service Bar of the Hawaii National Guard Service Medal to CWO-4 Dallas K. Kalepa and M/Sgt Manuel Castro of Co A; the Softball Perpetual Trophy to Hq & Hq Co; and the Volleyball Perpetual Trophy to Co D. During the parade. unit queens of Hq Co, Co A, Co B, Co C, Co D preceded the unit they represented on jeeps.

In conjunction with the 4th of July Parade, a National Guard Ball was held in the Wailuku Armory on July 5, with dance music provided by the 111th Army Band. Spectators witnessed the coronation of "Miss Maui National Guard for 1958" and her court. Miss

HAWAII GUARDSMAN



The Queen of the Military Ball and her court. (left to right) Miss Alicia Amadeo (Co "D") Miss Elaine Gibson (Co "C"), "Queen" Suellen Apana (Co "B"), Miss Linda Andrade (Hq Co) and Miss Martha Tam Lung (Co "A").

Maui National Guard for this year is Miss Suellen Apana of Wailuku who was sponsored by Company "Bravo". Major Nascimento crowned the queen during the intermission, and also made the presentation of awards to the queen's court composed of the following beauties: Runner-up, Miss Headquarters Company, Linda Andrade; Third, Miss Company C, Elaine Gibson; Fourth, Miss Comapny A, Martha Tam Lung; Fifth, Miss Company D, Alicia Amadeo.

Many thanks goes to the members of the 1st Bn 299th Inf, HARNG, Athletic Board and to the guard members who assisted in the decorations for this ball. To the Guardsmen who provided the entertainment during the intermission: mahalo; We cannot end without thanking the 111th Army Band who rendered the marching music during the parade and the dance music for our dance. The dancing public commented that the music was good and they hope to see this same band come to Maui again.

We welcome Captain Chester K. Long to the 1st Bn staff position as S-2 vacated by Captain Alvin M. Haake who was reassigned to Company C as CO.

Captain Long formerly served as S-2 of 3rd battalion before his transfer to Maui. A former company commander of Heavy Mortar Company (Maui), this officer needs no introduction. He is presently employed as Sales Representative on Maui for Hawaiian Airlines.

On June 1, 1958, Sfc Manuel J. Silva of Company B received his second lieutenant's "gold bar" and was assigned

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to Company C as a Platoon Leader. Lt Silva is employed by the Department of Public Works, Territory of Hawaii as a Senior Engineering Aide.

Headquarters Company won the Softball Championship of the 1st Bn 299th Infantry League on June 12, when they beat Company "Delta" 13 to 2 in a play-off game at Wells Park. Winning pitcher was Sfc Masano Toguichi, losing pitcher was SP3 Wenceslaus Jarnesky. Hq Co will represent this battalion in the 1958 HNG Territorial Softball Unit Championships to be held on Maui during 19-21 September 1958.

League Standings are as follows:

	Played	Won	Lost
Hq Co	9	8	1
Co D	9	7	2
Co B	8	4	4.
Co A	8	2	6
Co C	8	0	8

It is to be noted that Sfc Masano Toguchi, Hq Co's pitcher won all eight games he pitched, including a no-hit norun against Company C on May 27,

### SHOOTING

Sfc Oliver H. Cummings and Pfc Melvin D. Cummings, both of Hq Co were selected to the 1958 Hawaii National Guard Rifle Team to compete at Camp Perry, Ohio during the National Rifle Matches. Both will try to earn their third leg towards the Distinguished Rifle Marksmanship Badge. Good luck!

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Returning to home stations at the close of annual field training exercises at Schofield Barracks, units of this battalion are back to routine duties again.

Leaving in early July for that place of wide open spaces and where everything is big (Texas), Lt Col James R. Reed Jr., accompanied by wife and children, departed fair Kauai bedecked with leis and fond aloha. All full time employees and staff officers of this battalion were at the airport to bid them farewell. Replacing Lt Col Reed as Unit Advisor for this battalion is Major Donald A. Butler, who arrived on Kauai late July with family.



Major Donald A. Butler, new advisor to the 2nd Battalion, 299th Infantry, Maj Butler succeeds Lt Col James R. Reed Jr., who left Kauai for Texas. (HNG photo)

1st Lt Samuel K. (Seabreeze) Napio of Hg & Hg Co 2d Bn 299th Inf has been reassigned to Battery C 298th AAA Bn on Oahu effective 1 August 1958. Lt Naipo hails from the island of Oahu, and was a member of the 2nd Bn 298th Inf prior to assignment with this battalion. He leaves us, because of business, with best wishes especially from the men of the P&A Platoon who serve under him.

Assigned to this battalion just recently and replacing Lt Naipo as P&A Leader, 2d Lt John P. Keppeler left the Valley Isle to join us on the Garden Isle, and a position with the Lihue Plantation Com-

Departing on the 23rd of August, Sfc Raymond Pascua of Foxtrot Company will attend the Quartermaster School at Fort Lee, Virginia, for a course in Mess Management. Sfc Pascua is the Mess Steward for F Co, having held that position since 1953. His civilian occupation is that of a cook at the Mahelona Hospital.

Fourteen members of this battalion have qualified for the HNG Service Medal, one for the nine year HNG Attendance Badge, and 12 for the three year attendance Badge. Eleven members of Hq & Hq Co qualified for the service medals are: Master Sergeants Harold W. Bode, Manuel B. Rosa and Agapito Saulibio; Sfc David Y. Fujiura: Sergeants Frank Bonilla, Paustino Dana, Edward J. Nobriga, and Herbert Saito; Specialists 3d Class George S. Carvalho, Raymond S. Carvalho, and Alfredo Espiritu. Three members of Echo Company are: Master Sergeants William K. Kaohi and Mel-

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vin H. Kua, and SFC Clarence Ariola. CWO Luther K. Wong, Foxtrot Company, qualified for the nine year Attendance Badge.

It is Major Manuel K. Medeiros of Hq & Hq Co, having been promoted from Captain effective 14 July 58.

Returning from 6 month ACDUTRA on the 12 July 58 are the following: Privates Moses Jardin and Rodney E. Mariano of Echo Company, and Pvt Antonio Saronitman Jr. of Foxtrot.

Departing for 6 months ACDUTRA in July were Pyts William Castillo and Paul Latorre of Hotel Company.

Reenlisting immediately upon ETS were SFC Tatsuo Kato of Hg & Hg Co: SFC Joaquin N. Arruda Jr., Hotel Company: SP3 Donald K. T. Dela Cruz of Company Echo. SP3 John A. Cacatian of Medical Platoon, extended a one year enlistment for three years.

Units are presently preparing for the annual IG inspection, technical inspections and what have you. It is busy affair. Enlisted members of the several companies putting extra time in getting equipment cleaned, ASMT's taking inventory, and arranging equipment in storage bins.

Full time employees are planning on a fishing trip for the 16 August. Prizes are to be given, first to the one who catches the biggest within ten pounds, second to the one who catches the most with one single pole. The area suggested is on the northeastern shores of Kauai where fish are plentiful and where a person may spend a good day of relaxation . . . !

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# Ready on the Firing Line

By Lt. Col. C. R. Johnson, H.N.G.

During the quarter just ended there has been so much shooting activity that it is difficult to condense it enough to include the outstanding news items in an article of this length.

The All-Service Rifle matches held in Hilo on 18 and 19 July 1953 are now history and, needless to say, they were the best and biggest ever held. There were a total of 158 competitors including two Marine teams from the Marine Station at San Diego, California. Firing conditions were excellent as was evidenced by the generally superb scores turned in.

Among the outstanding individual scores were: Arthur Frost, 65th Eng Bn, 50-3V-200 yds Slow Fire Standing; Bruce M. Wincentsen, San Diego Marines, 50-8V-200 yrds Rapid Fire Sitting; Eddie Graham, San Diego Marines, 50-6V-300 yrds Rapid Fire Prone; James H. Brannon, San Diego Marines, 100-14V-600 yrds Slow Fire Prone; Thomas J. Ebner, San Diego Marines, 100-13V-Aggregate 2d & 3d Stage; Bruce M. Wincentsen, San Diego Marines, 247-29V—Governor's Trophy: Camp Trophy.

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row, the HNG team played to a little hard luck and just lost the overall championship by a hair. In the All-Service sible at Camp Perry. Match, the HNG Team scored 1449-128V to be topped only by the 1st Marine Team which scored 1449-150V. There were several new records established and it is regrettable that the matches were only NRA approved instead of NRA registered in which latter case the records would have been official.

The HNG Rifle Team has been chosen and is presently at Camp Perry partieniating in the National Matches. The team members are: team captain CWO, W-2 Ralph K. Apo, SFC Kaoru Miyamoto, SFC Oliver H. Cummings, Sgt Manuel Sylva, Sgt Eckley W. Yim, SP2 Thomas A. Ortogero, SP3 Tom Oda, SP3 Earl S. Iwata, SP3 Myles G. Brown, and SP3 Melvin D. Cummings.



SP-3 Myles G. Brown points to Camp Perry, Ohio on map. Picture was taken before his departure to the National's.

The Hawaii State Civilian Rifle Team has been selected through competition and has been approved and financed by the National Board for the Promotion of Riflle Practice to also journey to Camp Perry for the National Matches. It is Captained by Colonel Oliver Kupau, coached by Russell Smith and its mem-

For the second big tournament in a bership is headed by such old-time shooters as Gus Anderson and Dale Frazier. We wish both teams all the luck pos-

> The HNG Pistol Team made a clean sweep in the July monthly 15th Naval District Matches held in Diamond Head. Top individual shooters were Roberts, Lum, and Johnson in the Master Class and Conti in the Expert Class. The HNG Master team took the open team match while a HNG Sharpshooter team composed of Conti, Cullen, Fukuhara and Nakoa took the sharpshooter classi-

> As this article is written the HNG Pistol Team is on the firing line at the National Pistol Matches at Camp Perry. The matches are the biggest ever with a total of 1,543 competitors registered. A new National Champion is a certainty since none of the old ones were firing. Benner and MacMillan are presently representing the United States by firing in the International Shooting matches in Moscow and ex-Champion Harry Reeves of the Detroit Police is unable to participate due to illness.

The Hawaii team is composed of Lt Col Clarence R. Johnson, Team Captain, Captain George Roberts, 1st Lt Alexis Lum, 1st Lt John Beaumont, SFC Anthony Conti, Sgt Herbert Nanoke and, last but far from least, 250-pound Sgt Pat Cullen from the 120th MP Co.

There are thirty National Guard Teams at the Nationals, representing 27 States, plus Puerto Rico, Alaska, and Hawaii.

The HNG team has had their first look at the Mellon Trophy which they won in 1957 by defeating all other National Guard units in the National Trophy Team Match and for which there is avid competition this year.

As soon as the Nationals are over, all team members are set to head for home in order to be there in time to hold up the Hawaii National Guard's reputation in the TLEPT. Until then, Aloha and good shooting to all.

HAWAII GUARDSMAN



Merle Kelai

### SOFTBALL

Maui will host this year's Territorial softball playoffs on 20 September 1958. Teams vieing for honors will come from Oahu, Kauai, Hawaii and Maui. Island climinations are now in progress and island champions will be determined very shortly. Awards will include the Adjutant General's championship and runner-up trophies: both being perpetual. Twenty medals and two pennants shall be divided between the two teams. The 1957 title was won by Hawaii in a squeeker over the Honolulu squad.

### BASKETBALL

During the month of November, Kauai will be the scene of the 1958 basketball tournament. Teams have roughly three months to get in "shape" and playoff for the top honor.

### **BOWLING**

The 298th AAA Group starts its first Group bowling league on 20 August 1958. Twenty-four teams from the 158th, 297th and 298th AAA Battalions will compete at the Boulevard Bowl every Wednesday night at 8:30 p.m. Capt. Sol Kaulukukui has been elected president and will be assisted by 1st Lt Ray Ching, vice-president and MSgt Nobu Yuuki, secretary-treasurer. This in the writers estimation is not only good exercise for bowlers concerned, but brings the AAA battalions closer to each other and definitely creates esprit-decrops. No doubt about it, many new acquaintances will be made and old ones renewed. Good luck to the infant league and may it have tremendous success.

### **SPORTOGRAPH**

SP3 Myles Brown is a remarkable person. A full-time small arms technician with the 613th Ordnance Company, SP3 Brown is truly one of the most outstanding shooters ever developed in the islands. Born in April 1929, Brown had never participated in the big matches except on one occasion. His younger brother who captained the St. Louis College ROTC rifle team during 1950

through 1953, encouraged him to enter a match at the Koko Head range during the summer of 1950. Myles told me that his brother even paid for his shooting fees. The neighborhood "B/B" shot champion fired a very dismal score in this tournament. In 1952 while stationed at Fort Ord, he read a notice on the company bulletin board announcing tryouts for the rifle team. Brown trained with determination and was rewarded by winning the 6th Infantry Division M1 Rifle Match.

Returning to Schofield Barracks, he captured both the Army Area rifle match and the Small-Bore Pre-Territorial matches. As a member of the Hawaiian Army team, he departed on his first of many trips to Camp Perry. The USAR-PAC team won the Sharpshooter class and he was high man in this class for aggregate. Participating in the 4-man team matches, the Hawaii team placed

Brown was also the Territorial champion during this period and added top honors at the USMC Charity Match at Puuloa range. The following year he repeated by winning the championship in both Small-bore and Hi-Power Regionals and notching his number two win in the Marine Corps matches.

During 1956, Brown after winning the small-bore regionals, was sent to Fort Benning. He was then selected a member of the All-Army International team. Members of this crack squad are selected through record firing throughout the entire U.S. Army.

As a member of this team, he was the Georgia State small-bore champion. He later placed second in the Tennesee State small-bore touranment. Firing with the Army team at the Southeastern Regional championships, the team placed first, with Brown high man with a 248 out of a possible 250. He still holds the Florida Dixie small-bore Match (position) record of 3133. Needless to say, Myles was the only Hawaiian lad on the Army International team during this period.

The year 1957 proved a big one for

him as he won the Dixie-Round-Up "Any Sight" championship, firing a possible 1600 with 124 x's. He teamed with Lt Verle Wright and won the Randle Doubles team match. Lt Wright fired a 199 (16 x's) and Brown a possible 200 (17 x's). In the 4-man team match, he again posted a possible 400 score. The international rifle match was next for Brown. He set a national record in the 300 meter course with a 555 out of 600. The famed Winchester Trophy was his reward.

After his discharge in early 1958, Myles as a member of the Hawaii National Guard annexed the High-Power Regional championship with a record of 495 out of a possible 500. Remarkable shooting indeed.

He told me during our interview that he hopes to make a good showing during this year's National Matches at Camp Perry. It would not be to my surprise if he does exceptionally well and possibly set new records during these matches. All of the Territory and especially the Hawaii National Guards should be proud of this fine shooter. Reading an article in the "Bayonet", the Fort Benning newspaper dated 17 October 1957, the following paragraph sums up the brillance of Myles Brown. Quote "One of the country's top rated prone-position shooters, Sgt Brown highlighted the twoday meet with his outstanding score in the four-event "any-sight" event. Aided by his fabulous shooting, the Army's rine man squad captured all but two of the tourneys 11 first master class awards." Unquote.

I'm quite sure that readers will agree, that SP3 Brown has come a long way since he won the "B/B" shot championship of the neighborhood.

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