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### Airmobile "Bag of Tricks"

THE ONLY AIRMOBILE division in the Army, the 101st Airborne Division [Airmobile] uses the large number of aircraft assigned to it to provide it with an unusual flexibility in combat. This flexi bility - the option of how and when to deploy the combat forces of the division on the battlefield is illustrated below in the movement of a battery of six howitzers. Initially, one howitzer, with ex-



ternally-loaded ammo and internally-loaded gun crew, was carried by one CH-47 Chinook.

With the appearance of the CH-47 "Super C" helicopter equipped with T55-L11A engines, the 101st began experimenting with quicker ways to deploy larger loads. "B" Btry, 320th FA and the "Pachyderms" of A Co, 159th Avn Bn have been developing new techniques for artillery airmobility. A capability for rigging two, three, four, or six



howitzers for movement by one aircraft has been established. Early indications are that an external sling load of three howitzers appears to be the most practical, and it only takes three CH-47 "Super C" aircraft to lift a complete artillery battery into a new location. The 101st's Bag of Tricks is growing! As it continues, the airmobile soldiers of the 159th will continue to live up to their motto: Press on! Pachyderm 6





growing body of opinion: Two highranking officers have agreed already in this matter.

Bureaucrat: One who having mastered both Parkinson's Law and the Peter Principle, can now draw a straight line indicating the longest distance between two points.

Channels: The trails left by memo routing slips. Circulate: Let's run this around the arena and see if someone will pick up a piece of the action.

Clarification: Filling in the background with so many details that the foreground goes underground.

Close the issue: Let's not push this any further, Commander's concept of operations: An idealized version of what might have been, with no logistical, ad ministrative, or personnel limitations, outstanding intelligence, and Alexander, Caesar and Genghis Khan as brigade commanders.

Commissary: Russian supermarket.

Committee: A group of the uninformed, appointed by the unwilling, to do the unnecessary.

Concur: Now we're in this together.

Concur in principle or concur generally: I haven't read the paper and don't want to be bound by anything it says.

Conference: A place where conversation is substituted for the loneliness of thought and the dreariness of labor.

Consultant or expert: Any officer 50 miles from home with a briefcase.

Coordinator: A guy with a desk between two expeditors.

Deadline: An arbitrary date, normally selected by splitting the difference between the action officer's leave and the next three-day weekend.

Expedite: To confound confusion with commotion. Expert: See consultant.

For concurrence: I am not going to take the blame for this all by myself.

For coordination: My boss said I have to get you to sign-off on this, whether you know about it or not.



An update on the latest in Pentagonese!

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For necessary action: You're either the goat or the hero.

For signature: Now this is where you really lay it on the line.

For your information: There may be some action required here, but I just don't see it.



ive us the benefit of your thinking: We'll listen to what you have to say as long as it does not interfere with what we've already decided to do.

Giving someone the big picture: A long, confused and inaccurate briefing usually reserved for newcomers.

Have you any remarks?: Can you give me any idea of what this is all about?

Herewith are forwarded: (or not), as the case may be, but in any case your office will be blamed if the enclosures are missing.

I approach the subject with an open mind: I am completely ignorant of the whole matter.

In due course: Never.

Informed source: The guy who told the guy you just met.

JCS Pub 1: The first of a series of public documents containing jokes and corny sayings.

Let's discuss: See me.

Let's get together on this: I'm assuming that you are as confused as I am, or I do not have an answer either.

Motorpool: A body of water that is reserved for puttabouts.

My considered opinion: I just heard this from the boss.

Negotiate: To seek a meeting of minds without a knocking together of heads.

Note and initial, or read and initial: Let's spread the responsibility for this around.

Note and return: I hope you'll add something intelligent because I'm stuck, or I'm not sure of what I'm doing.

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By Lieutenant Colonel R.A. Weaver Open mess: A public exhibition of a disagreeable concoction.

Pentagon: Five-sided learning box used to induce the extinction of initiative.

Per your request: It's all yours, boss. I wouldn't touch it with a ten-foot pole.

Personnel: That office(r) in charge of solving and causing people problems.

Point up the issue: To expand one page to ten.

Program: Any assignment that can't be completed with one phone call.

Public servant: A civil servant with old fashioned ideas about who he works for.

Read and initial: See note and initial.

Regular: Likes fruit juice and prunes.

Reliable source: The guy you just talked with.

Re-orientation: Getting used to working again.

Retirement: The act of exchanging paternal and bureaucratic domination for a maternal dictatorship.

See me or let's discuss: Come to my office. I'm lonesome.

Suspense: A place where people, papers or things are kept in a state of incompleteness till they cool off or heat up, as the case may be.



tatus quo: The perpetuation of a totally inactive and concealed condition.

This will be borne in mind: No further action will be taken until you remind me.

Under active consideration: We're looking in the files for it.

Under consideration: We never heard of it and do not know where to look.

Unimpeachable source: The guy who started the rumor.

We're making a survey, or we are evaluating: We need more time to think up a reply.

Will advise in due course: If we figure it out, we'll let you know.

You spearhead the program: You take the chances.













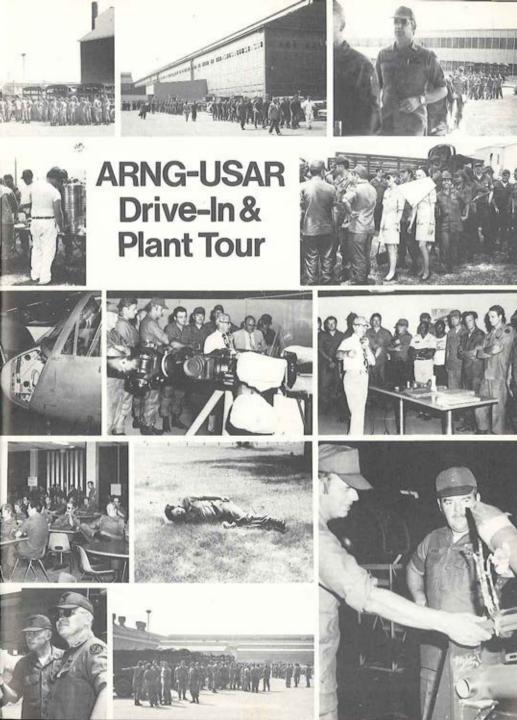
An arrival to departure account of the visit of more than 200 Reserve Component aviation personnel to the Philadelphia plant of the Boeing Vertol Company on July 9... This was a "Truck-In", rather than a Fly-In (Many of the

a "Truck-In", rather than a Fly-In (Many of the attendees insist it was a "March-In"). Visiting the complete facility, the khaki-clad guests saw everything there was to see on both the flight line and the assembly line, lunched in the open, and went back into the plant for more . . A most worthwhile exercise, thanks to Boeing Vertol and their staff of briefers.









## 20,000 helicopters: Bell's remarkable milestone.

On April 23, 1974, Bell delivered another UH-1H helicopter to the U.S. Army. This delivery was routine...with one exception.

The exception was a small commemorative plate attached to it's fuselage marking it as Bell's 20,000th helicopter...a production record unsurpassed by any other helicopter manufacturer in the world, a production total unequalled by all other manufacturers combined.

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The French led the way in the '50's . .

# Training vs. Talking

OWN at Le Luc in the scrubby hills just north of Hyere on the French Riviera, an H-21 sits on a concrete pedestal at the entrance of the French Army's Aviation Training Center.

It is a relic of the bitter combat in Algeria which was conducted before the U.S. Army really got its airmobility program into the air. The French military aviator is proud the H-21 on that concrete pedestal and he hasn't forgotten that he pioneered in helicopter warfare, both in its mobility aspects and in its firepower.

The French fired SS-11 missiles from helicopter platforms in Algeria and they also operated fixed machine guns and hand-held door guns in the mid-1950's.

#### The French are pioneering

Although the French helicopter fleet is small by U.S. Army standards, the French are again pioneering, this time in the type of warfare that its Army might face in a European combat environment. I visited France for one work-week prior to continu-

#### By

#### Major General William J. Maddox, Jr. Commander, U.S. Army Aviation Center and Fort Rucker

ing on to Iran to look at the extensive and growing helicopter buildup that the Shah has placed on a five-year program.

My most vivid impression of the French aviation effort at Le Luc is that French aviators are DOING what we are STILL talking about.

#### A "free play course"

I flew a nap-of-the earth course with a rated French reconnaissance pilot trainee and instructor. This course took nearly one hour to negotiate its 40 kilometers. It is a free play course allowing the student a variety of operations for utilizing the terrain for his own protection.

The instructor talked to the student constantly, posing new situations and critiquing him on the spot as he moved across the course. Although some of the aircraft handling techniques were somewhat different than ours, the end result was much the same: the pilot learned to appreciate the terrain and utilize it for his own ends.

French safety rules apparently are a little more realistic than ours. For example, we proceeded under high tension wires rather than going administrative by flying over them and thus discrediting the navigation training value in the flight.

To my knowledge there are no such comparable scout training courses in our Army, although Fort Rucker at the present time is coordinating with Fort Knox for an organized course.

#### Instrument Proficiency

For the first time ever, we have just begun to teach tactical instrument flight at Fort Rucker. But the French have been at this for some time. Perhaps I had better explain tactical instrument flight before I pursue this point because too few people really understand the matter:

Tactical instrument flight is a more advanced type of instrument flying than we get in our normal training.

We habitually operate with CONUS-type instrument flying maps that have little blue lines connecting blue compass roses with a proliferation of VHF frequencies and clearly prescribed procedure turns and holding patterns. This type of instrument flying is closely regulated by the Federal Aviation Agency and is subject to very close control by ground controllers in a radar environment.

Tactical instrument flight is a step well beyond our airways instrument operations. It involves operation in an austere environment where approach plates are not available and beacons very often are man-packed and set up in clearings for short duration operations. This is the front line instrument environment in which aviators of the future will operate on a regular basis.

In such operations, local unit commanders will have to establish the ground rules and the appropriate instructions. Where our normal glide slope may be 2½ or 3 degrees from the horizontal, the tactical instrument approach might call for 12% or even 15% slope.

In France, the Aviation School has engineered its own tactical instrument course. This course which I will describe is just one of many variations that could be used to give aviators a better feel for front line instrument flying. And let me say right here that all aircraft, whether or not FAA certified for instrument flight, probably will have to take advantage of actual instrument operations at some time or other. The rules for such operations are being developed at Fort Rucker at the present time.

#### The French game

Here is the French game. The pilot picks his points A and B and measures the distance between them. He takes 1/10 of this distance and applies it to each side of the center line thereby forming a safety buffer box for his flight to point B.

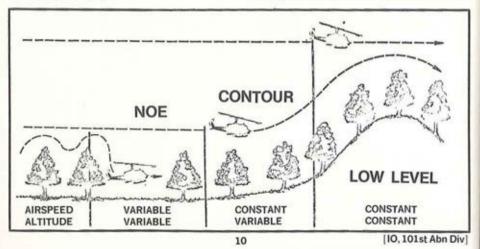
He utilizes a 200 meter vertical buffer by adding 200 meters altitude to the elevation of the highest point in his safety box. This then becomes the altitude at which he will conduct the flight.

At point B or his point of intended landing, he builds a five kilometer (three mile) box around point B. He then takes the highest point in this safety box and adds 100 meters to it. This is the lowest point that he flies during his terminal ADF approach.

If he does not break out when he reaches the beacon, he must return to point A or recover to another area. He utilizes an ADF beacon and orients his procedure turn away from the highest terrain and in consideration for where the enemy is located.

This sort of thing exploits the capabilities that we already have in our aircraft and is highly realistic in light of the weather conditions we can expect in a European combat environment.

My visit to Le Luc also took me to the primary training center at Dax which is near Biarritz, near the Bay of Biscay. Dax is located in the foothills of of the Pyrenees just above the Garonne Valley. I



was accompanied by my host, Brigadier General Bertrand O'Mahoney, Director of French Army Aviation. He was the former Commandant at Dax.

We also visited the Marignane plant of Aerospatiale just north of Marseilles. This plant is engaged in the construction of the Gazelle helicopter, a joint effort with the British. Parts of the Gazelle airframe are made in England and are mated to the French portions at Marignane.

Part of the Gazelle production line is shown in the accompanying photograph which shows the plant director and LTC Robert J. Monguilan, a former French Liaison officer at Fort Rucker. The SA 330 Puma also is produced at the same plant.

As I summarize my visit, I recall the great difference between the H-21 on the pedestal and the hardware and tactics of the current French Army. The H-21 also is in our heritage. However, for the U.S. Army it holds the same lesson as it does for the French Army. That is: what worked in the last war will not be good enough for the next.

#### Persian progress

A year ago I got the first glimpse of an aviation effort which will be second only to our own in the Free World Army Aviation by the end of the decade. At the invitation of the Government of Iran, I made a return visit to see one year of progress. It was substantial and very pleasing to an airmobility aficionado.

The Iranian Army has embraced the concept of airmobility and is busy training a force under the direction of **Brigadier General Manouchehr Khosrowdad**. Many of our contemporaries are in Iran at the present time, either as MAAG advisors, as members of technical field teams, or in the employ of the Bell Helicopter Company.

You will recall that its subsidiary, Bell Helicopter International, is headed by Major General Delk Oden, the former Fort Rucker Commandant. He is supervising the construction of a little Fort Rucker training facility and a logistical center at Isfahan. He also is establishing a helicopter rebuild factory at the new Mehrabad Airport near Tehran.

Incidentally, the old Tehran Airport where President Franklin Roosevelt met Mr. Stalin is known as Gala Morghi and is now an Iranian Army airfield for the headquarters flight unit and Chinooks.

At Isfahan, the Iranian Army already has graduated its first initial entry students and is placing them in newly-formed tactical units. A year ago these students were just beginning their training. It involves an initial 12 weeks of English language training. This training is being expanded to 28 weeks.

I was greatly impressed with the seriousness of the students in all phases of the aviation program, but particularly in the language portions where they are intensively drilled for eight hours a day.



PLANT TOUR - Viewing the Gazelle helicopter assembly line at Marignane, France, MG William J. Maddox, Jr., [center] is escorted by LTC Robert J. Monguilan, a former French liaison officer at Fort Rucker, and a plant of] ficial. Other parts of the Gazelle are made in Great Britain.

They live and breathe the English language while undergoing this training and they complete the training with a good language facility. Their course provides 220 hours of actual aircraft flight in the OH-58 and UH-1 and soon will be supplemented by UH-1 flight simulators like the ones in use here at Fort Rucker.

Shortly after my visit, Mr. James Atkins, President of the Bell Helicopter Company, delivered the first twin-engine Cobra to the Iranian Army and more have arrived since. My escort officer, Captain Ahad Ramazani, is a recent Cobra graduate of Fort Rucker and will participate in Cobra transition training for Iranian attack helicopter drivers.

I was accompanied throughout my ten days in Iran by Colonel Bob Bonifacio, who is the Aviation advisor to General Khosrowdad. At Isfahan I flew with Colonel Roger Shields who advises Colonel Mohammed Shanaz, the Training Center Commandant. I also flew with Major Jerry Daly and Warrant Officer John Daneker. Both have since left Iran -Jerry to the 1st Infantry Division at Fort Riley, and John back here to Fort Rucker.

Colonel Shahnaz and a group of senior aviation officers recently concluded a ten day visit to Fort Rucker to compare notes on our instructional methods.

After I left Iran I visited London and Major General Roy Dixon, British Director of Army Aviation. General Dixon and his people at Middle Wallop are very determined about the nap-of-the-earth environment and are studying the means to employ anti-tank weapons from helicopters.

#### Promotions

Two Army Aviators are included on the recent Major General List. They are Jack Vessey, Director of Operations in DCSOPS, DA, and Jim Lee, Assistant Division Commander of the 1st Cavalry Division at Fort Hood.

#### Peripatetics

There is movement in the Project Manager ranks. Colonel Stu Shirey, who is AMC's man for Aircraft Survivability Equipment, retires by the end of August and will be replaced by Lieutenant Colonel Jack Keaton, formerly of the Aviation Directorate. Brigadier General Leo Turner has announced his retirement at the end of August but no replacement has been named by Department of the Army.

Here at Fort Rucker the summer turn-over has assumed major proportions this year. Colonel Julian Anderson retires in the Fort Rucker area. He is the former School Secretary and is replaced by Colonel Jim Humphreys. Colonel Clem Wyllie has reported in to become Director of Graduate Flight Training. Colonel Bill Dasch, the Aviation Center Brigade Commander, has departed to command Tobyhanna Army Depot and passed the Brigade colors to Colonel Carl McNair, who joined us recently from MASSTER at Hood.

The Directorate of Industrial Operations office has changed hands with the retirement of Colonel Al Johnson. Colonel Gaither Bray is the new incumbent and has reported in from DCSLOG, DA. Colonel Lloyd Picou, my Deputy for Developments, also is retiring and probably will be replaced by Colonel Bill Ponder. Colonel John Richardson is enroute to Texas Christian University in Fort Worth, Texas, and Colonel Ed Porter, reporting in from the Army War College, will be the new Director of Undergraduate Flight Training.

New additions to the Office of Deputy for Developments are Colonels Joseph F. Rutkowski, who arrived from the National War College, and Colonel

#### NATO AGARD LECTURE

The NATO Advisory Group for Aerospace Research & Development [AGARD] is presenting a Lecture Series on "Distortion Induced Engine Instability" to be held at the Naval Air Propulsion Test Center in Trenton, New Jersey on November 14-15.

Seven lecturers, all leading engineers and scientists from four NATO countries, will cover the causes of distortion, its types, effects, measurement, instrumentation, etc. All presentations will be in English.

This informative lecture series is open to all interested engineers and scientists from the NATO countries. There are no charges for attending, and interested persons should contact Bayard T. McWilliams, NAPTC, Trenton NJ 08628 for enrollment information. Bob Sauers, the USARPAC Aviation Officer. Colonel Max McCullar of USAAAVS, has announced his retirement and will settle in Enterprise, Alabama. No replacement for him has been named to date.

#### **Personnel progress**

The day of the turn-around instructor pilot is finished. I have long felt that the initial entry program graduate has only been exposed to the aviation program and cannot really understand our business until he first serves a tour in a cockpit assignment in the field.

In the past, Fort Rucker siphoned off top quality graduates and put them through a methods of instruction course to make them instructors. Presumption was that we had to do this because the personnel assignment system could not keep up with school requirements. I felt that we should give the system a true test and make it work, not take the easy way out.

Therefore, Fort Rucker proposed a set of criteria for quality instructors which insures that we exploit the great pool of experience available in the aviation program. We determined that instructor graduates must be experienced and qualified in order to assume the broad range of duties as an instructor pilot or supervisor of instructor pilots.

On our request, Brigadier General Jack F. Forrest, Chief of Officer Personnel Directorate at MILPERCEN, has published a policy with the following requirements for Fort Rucker bound aviators:

 At least one tour of duty with an operational aviation unit.

 At least 500 hours of rotary wing time as an Army Aviator.

A 27-month stabilized tour of duty at Fort Rucker.

 An expressed preference for instructor pilot duty.

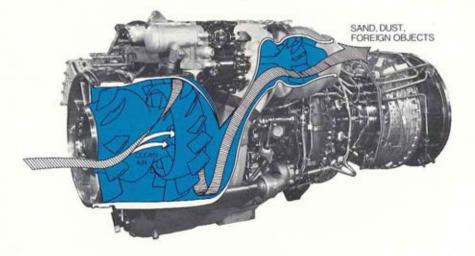
Also, part of the policy is a stipulation that fixedwing-only aviators will not be assigned to Rucker except when specifically requested or when unusual compassionate or hardship reasons exist. The fixed wing aviator is far too limited in assignment flexibility here at Rucker. Further, this will stimulate the attainment of our goal to make all fixed wing aviators dual qualified.

General Forrest has stated "every effort" will be made to stabilize company grade and warrant officer aviators for 27 months.

Further, in a more recent decision, Department of the Army has made mandatory an initial cockpit assignment for all initial entry graduates. This will preclude the former practice of side tracking a lot of new aviators in non-aviation assignments at a time when they should be flying. This policy in effect places new aviators on a utilization tour basis to exploit their recent schooling.

Major General George Putnam enunciated the

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policy in a recent letter to me as follows:

"As you know, we are in the process of putting together the immediate policy changes needed to manage aviators under the new flight pay system. One of the new policies will require aviators to be assigned to operational flying duties, preferably in a TOE unit, upon graduation from flight school. Our plan is to publish the revised policies in one package, hopefully by the end of October. In the meantime, Cdr, MILPERCEN will direct the assignment of graduating aviators to operational flying duties in their assignment instructions."

The last major policy change is that an aviation office is being established in the Officer Personnel Directorate to monitor aviation assignments and the utilization of aviators throughout the Army. While the charter of the new office is not precisely the same, the change in effect is a resurrection of the old Executive for Army Aviation office which was abolished in 1972.

#### **AAAA** National Convention

Plans are jelling for the AAAA National Convention programmed to be held in the Shoreham-Americana Hotel in Washington, D. C. 16 to 18 October. Now that the Director of Army Aviation is defunct, I will continue to handle the presentation responsibilities from long range.

My format in recent years has been to put about 25 Generals on the stage to speak their piece in about 15 minutes each and present as broad an overview as possible. This format was "stolen" by Jack Dibrell at the Fifth Region Conference in May so I have been pressed to come up with new ideas.

This year, I intend to present four panels of experts to discuss current aspects of the aviation program with the audience. On 17 October the program will open with a Tactics and Training panel,

#### THREE AAAA DUES REDUCTIONS

AAAA's National Board approved recent By-Law changes providing for reduced multiple year dues, reduced dues for Enlisted Members, and a new category of group membership, "Associate [Industry] Membership", and implemented the several changes effective 1 September.

The new reduced multiple year dues for new and renewal members [other than Enlisted Members] call for \$10 new or renewal dues for 1 year; \$19 for 2 years; and \$27.50 for 3 years. The new and renewal annual dues for Enlisted Members drop to \$8 for 1 year; \$15 for 2 years; and \$22 for 3 years.

Details of the new Associate [Industry] Membership embracing three individual AAAA memberships, will be provided to interested firms on written request.

#### WIRED FOR HAPPINESS!

There was a dachshund once, so long He hadn't any notion How long it took to notify His tail of his emotion ... And so it happened, while his eyes Were filled with woe and sadness, His tail went wagging on Because of previous gladness!

follow with a **Personnel Picture** panel, and after lunch, have an **Aviation Abroad** panel. The following morning would be devoted to a **Hardware Picture panel** which should be of interest both to industrial representatives and to the aviators who eventually will fly the equipment.

#### A new "panel approach"

There will be no formal presentations. However, each panel member will be prepared to discuss his area of expertise in as much detail as necessary. While I have not firmed up the membership of the panels completely, letters are being prepared to the following: First, **Brigadier General Morry Brady**, who is an expert on the Middle East w ; **Colonel Jim Mapp**, the Deputy for Training at F t Rucker; **Major General John W. McEnery**, the new Commanding General of the 101st Airborne Division, an air Cavalry Combat Board expert from Fort Hood; **Colonel Jack Woodmansee** from Combat Developments at TRADOC; and **General Hamilton H. How**ze as moderator of the **Tactics and Training** panel.

The Personnel Picture hopefully will be theresponsibility of Major General George Putnam and will include appropriate MILPERCEN principals and the flight pay gates study group which is sitting in Washington at the present time.

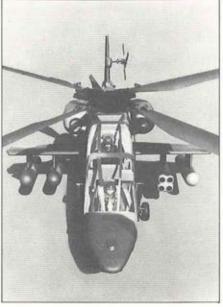
For Aviation Abroad, I am hoping to get a large group of aviation directors such as we had in the 1972 National Convention.

The Hardware Picture should include the project managers of our major developments; Major General Donn Starry who is responsible for the Advanced Scout helicopter task force; Colonel George Shallcross, the new commander of the U.S. Army Air Mobility Research & Developments Laboratory at Eustis; Major General Ray Ochs, the Commander of U.S. Army Operational Test and Evaluation Agency, and Lieutenant Colonel Jack Keaton, the Aircraft Survivability Product Manager.

All in all, the new format may be more interesting than the presentations of former years because substantial audience participation is expected. In any event, the program should be professionally rewarding for all Army Aviators.

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#### **HUGHES HELICOPTERS**

#### Training vs. Talking (Continued)

Whenever the Army is in a state of flux its members tend to become very concerned about the part they play. This concern gravitates toward the career management of the individual.

We are in one of those periods when conditions are somewhat unsettled. Not only is the Army undergoing a reorganization to gain more teeth at the expense of tail (an increase to 16 combat divisions at the expense of support elements), we are experiencing a new Officer Personnel Management System [OPMS] and a radical change in flight pay philosophy.

The best antidote for the unsettled feeling is a good dose of information and counseling. For this reason, Fort Rucker arranged for a visit by the career managers of the Army. In early August, Major General Hal Moore, the Commander of the Military Personnel Center in Alexandria, Virginia, arrived here with all of his branch chiefs and a number of senior professional development personnel for the Officer Personnel Directorate.

There were 15 branch chiefs present who made themselves available for branch counseling and for general questions concerning how aviators are being handled in MILPERCEN. In addition, General Moore and his people addressed both the Advanced and Senior Courses of the WO Career College and attended the Warrant Officer College reception during their stay.

The visit was enlightening to both the MILPER-CEN people and our aviation community at Fort Rucker. General Moore noted that new procedures have been instituted in MILPERCEN for (1) the assignment of instructor pilots to Fort Rucker, and (2) the initial assignment of all newly graduated aviators directly to cockpit jobs. He stated that the aviator must receive equivalent credit for his aviation duties that he received for performing ground assignments.

#### **Unrecognized Expertise**

#### Dear Editor:

The re-designed M-48 tank pictured in the July 1974 issue [p. 26] did not give credit where credit is due. The Armor Suspension Protection Kit was designed by and installed under the supervision of an Aviation Warrant Officer, CW4 Cosby E. Vining, Ret. Moreover, the remote control system was designed by a contact team from the USAF under the control of Mr. Vining. This further indicates that certain AWOs are highly skilled, motivated, and possess the technical expertise to accomplish tasks in nearly every field.

CW3 Donald R. Smith Maint Div. DCSLOG, MASSTER



BEAUTIFICATION — AAAA's David E. Condon Chapter members were instrumental in having the Felker AAF historical marker relocated to an area in front of Airlield Operations. Underwritten in great part by Chapter funds the marker had been in a location out of the view of visitors. Shown, I-r, discussing later beautification of the new site are MAJ J.B. Thompson, VP, Publicity; Mrs. Jack C. Fuson, wife of the Post Commander; Mr. Tony Rizzio, Post Engineers; COL Paul F. Anderson, the Condon Chapter President; and LTC K.C. Eaton, Chaper Executive Vice President. [USA photo]

Because OPMS is not well understood by the average aviator, an extensive information and study effort is underway. The question of whether or not aviation is to be considered a specialty is also under study. The answer to this question, of course, is central to the aviators' concern about OPMS.

General Moore noted that two additional studies and board actions are underway. The first involves what positions should be considered operational flying positions under the new flight pay legislation. Secondly, the records of every aviator subject to the gates are under review. Each officer's record will be examined to determine how much credit he will be given for operational flying.

This will tell the aviator and the Army what sort of assignments he should get to make him eligible to pass through the 12 and 18 year gates. Once a determination is made, the officer will be contacted and given the opportunity to provide any additional information concerning his flying service for later consideration by the board.

While MILPERCEN implements personnel policy, the actual policies are established in the Pentagon under the staff responsibility of the Deputy Chief of Staff for Personnel. Major General George W. Putnam, Jr., Director of Military Personnel Management, DCSPER, came to Fort Rucker in late August and discussed the formulation of personnel policy as it applied to aviators. (See "What's Happening to the Army Aviator? — An Overview" by MG Putnam in Army Aviation Magazine, July, 1974).

I have a strong feeling that MILPERCEN and the Department of the Army have a good basic understanding of the aviator's career concerns as the result of these two visits. This should benefit the entire aviation community with sympathetic career handling.



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#### TUESDAY, 15 OCTOBER 1974

(Shoreham-Americana and Sheraton-Park Hotels)

- 1200-1800 Registration. Check in at the Convention site. Shoreham-Americana Hotel.
- 1330-1630 Visit Aerospace and Military Exhibit Areas. AUSA Exhibit Halls, Sheraton-Park Hotel.
- 1330-1530 National Executive Board Business Meeting. First Session. (Shoreham-Americana Hotel).
- 1600-1730 Nat'l Office Coordination Meeting with Chapter Presidents and Secretaries. (Shoreham-Americana).
- 1630-2030 Open Time.
- 1900-2100 Very Early Birds' Reception. (Shoreham Hotel).
- 2030-2400 Visit Hospitality Suites. (Sheraton-Park Hotel).

#### WEDNESDAY, 16 OCTOBER 1974

(Program in Shoreham-Americana Hotel only)

- 0900-1000 General Membership Meeting, Election of AAAA National Officers; Presentation of Annual Report.
- 1000-1130 AAAA Open Discussion Meeting. Workshop/Ad Hoc Committee discussion topics, assignments.

1130-1200 Open Time.

- 1200-1430 General Membership Luncheon. For all members. Presentation of Chapter Awards.
- 1400-1600 National Executive Board Business Meeting. Second session.

1530-1700 Wrap Up General Membership Business Meeting.

Reports by Workshop Groups/Ad Hoc Committees. 1700-1800 Open Time.

1800-2200 AAAA Early Birds' Reception. General reception room and AAAA Chapter Hospitality Suites.

2200-2400 Visit Hospitality Suites. Sheraton-Park Hotel.

THURSDAY, 17 OCTOBER 1974 (Shoreham-Americana and Sheraton-Park Hotels)

#### 1974 AAAA PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS First Panel Discussion - Sheraton Hall, Sheraton-Park Hotel

0830-1000 "AVIATION TACTICS AND TRAINING" General Hamilton, H. Howze, USA [Ret.], Panel Moderator Major General John W. McEnery, Commander, 101st Airborne Division (Airmobile), Ft. Campbell, Ky.

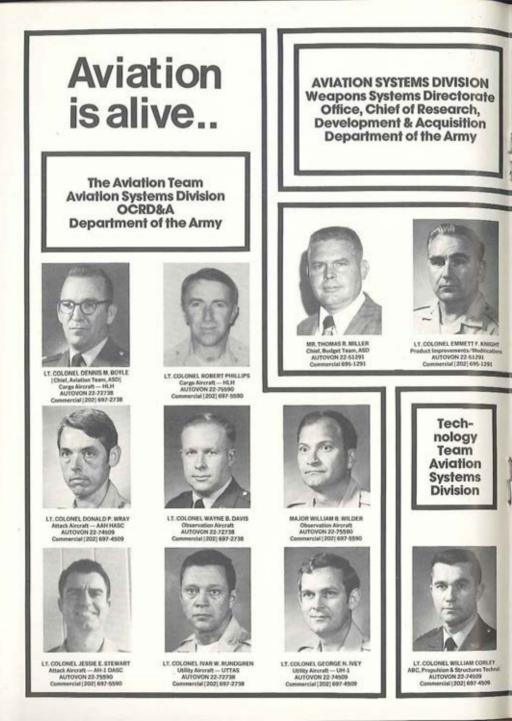
Major General Robert M. Shoemaker, Commander, 1st Cavalry Division, Fort Hood, Texas.

Brigadier General Morris J. Brady, Asst Deputy Commander. USA Combined Arms Combat Development Activity. Fort Leavenworth, Kansas.

Colonel James H. Mapp, Deputy for Training, USA Aviation Centér, Fort Rucker, Ala.

Colonel William A. Rathbone, Director, Office of Standardization, USA Aviation Center, Fort Rucker, Ala.

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Colonel J.W. Woodmansee, DCS Combat Developments, USA Training and Doctrine Command, Fort Monroe, Va.

#### 1974 AAAA PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS 2nd Panel Discussion - Sheraton Hall, Sheraton-Park Hotel

1000-1130 "THE AVIATION PERSONNEL PICTURE"

Major General George W. Putnam, Jr., Director of Military Personnel Policies, ODCSPER, Department of the Army. Appropriate ODCSPER and MILPERCEN principals.

1030-1200 AAAA Ladies' Brunch.

1130-1200 Open Period.

1200-1430 AAAA-Industry [Corporate] Member Luncheon. Introduction of AAAA National Award Winners and Foreign Guests. AAAA Regional Awards, if made. Sheraton Hall.

#### 1974 AAAA PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS Third Panel Discussion - Sheraton Hall, Sheraton-Park Hotel

#### 1430-1700 "AVIATION ABROAD"

Major General William J. Maddox, Jr., Commander, USA Aviation Center, Fort Rucker, Ala., Panel Moderator.

Argentina: Colonel Alfredo D. Nappi, Commando De Aviacion. Buenos Aires, Argentina.

Australia: Colonel W.J. Slocombe, OBE, Director, Army Aviation, Australian Army Headquarters, Canberra, Australia,

Canada: Lieutenant Colonel William R. Carr, Chief of Air Operations, Nat'l Defense Hgs, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada,

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Great Britain: Major General R.L.C. Dixon, M.C., Director of Army Aviation. Middle Wallop. Stockbridge. Hampshire.

Iran: Brigadier General Manouchehr Khosrodad, Commanding General, Imperial Iranian Army Aviation, Tehran, Iran.

Italy: General Nicola Chiari, Ufficio Ispettore Aviazione Leggera, Italian Army, Rome, Italy.

West Germany: Brigadier General Hans Drebing, Director of German Army Aviation, Koeln, West Germany.

1700-1800 1974 Cub Club Reunion. President's Suite. 1700-1900 Open Period.

1900-2030 The President's Reception. Introduction of AAAA President-Elect. (Admission by ticket only. Business suits. cocktail dresses). Shoreham-Americana Hotel. 2030-2400 Visit Hospitality Suites. (Shoreham-Americana).

#### FRIDAY, 18 OCTOBER 1974 (Program in Shoreham-Americana Hotel only)

1974 AAAA PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS Fourth Panel Discussion - Shoreham-Americana Hotel

0830-1030 "THE AVIATION HARDWARE PICTURE"

Major General Elmer R. Ochs, Commander, USA Operational Test & Evaluation Agency, Fort Belvoir, Va.

- Major General Donn A. Starry, Commander, USA Armor Center and Fort Knox, Fort Knox, Ky.
- Brigadier General Samuel G. Cockerham, Project Manager, Advanced Attack Helicopter, USA Aviation Systems Command

Brigadier General Jerry B. Lauer, Project Manager, Heavy Lift Helicopter, USA Aviation Systems Command, St. Louis, Mo.

Brigadier General Leo D. Turner, Project Manager, Utility Tactical Transport Aircraft System, USA Aviation Systems Command, St. Louis, Mo.

Colonel Jack Keaton, Product Manager, Aircraft Survivability Equipment, USA Aviation Systems Command.

Colonel George Shallcross, Commander, USA Air Mobility Research & Development Laboratory, Fort Eustis, Va.

1100-1145 AAAA Honors Luncheon Reception. Ambassador Room.

1145-1400 AAAA ANNUAL HONORS LUNCHEON Regency Ballroom, Shoreham-Americana Hotel

Presentation of 1973-1974 AAAA National Awards The "Outstanding Aviation Unit Award" [Active Army] is presented by the Chief of Staff, U.S. Army.

- The "Outstanding Reserve Component Aviation Unit Award" presented by the Chief of Staff, U.S. Army and the Chief, National Guard Bureau or the Chief, Army Reserve.
- The "James H. McClellan Aviation Safety Award" presented by the Honorable John L. McClellan, U.S. Senate, and/or the Honorable Howard E. Haugerud, President of the Mc-Clellan Foundation.
- The "Army Aviator of the Year Award" presented by the Vice Chief of Staff, U.S. Army.
- The "Aviation Soldier of the Year Award" presented by the Secretary of the Army.

Military dress: Green uniform. Regency Ballroom, Shoreham-Americana Hotel.

1430-1515 National Executive Board Business Meeting. President's suite.

1800-2000 Diehards' Reception.



HE objective for warrant officers is an associate degree by your fifteenth year of Federal service. This article will acquaint you with the opportunities which are available to aid

you in attaining or surpassing this objective. An excellent starting point is your Post Educa-

tion Center where trained counselors can assist you in determining where you are and the best way to get where you want to go. You may find your service schools and previous assignments are worth college credits.

One of your counselors' first suggestions will probably be to take the **College Level Examination Program [CLEP]** tests. This is a series of five tests, each requiring about an hour and a half to complete and each worth six semester hours upon successful completion. Also available at the Education Center are end-of-course tests requiring approximately the same time for completion and worth three semester hours each.

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Attending night school is the next logical step toward your education. Courses taken should be MOS related insofar as possible. When you have completed a minimum of 12 semester hours of residence credits through night courses or on campus attendance and have accrued a total of 60 semester hours through **CLEP** tests, end-of-course tests, and military service schools, you should apply for a Department of the Army 2-year college equivalency evaluation.

See a counselor at your Education Center when ready to apply. They can determine whether you meet the requirements and will assist you with your application.

Two additional programs are available which

## Civil Schooling for Aviation Warrant Officers

BY COLONEL TED A. CROZIER Chief, Aviation Warrant Officer Branch, Officer Personnel Directorate, Military Personnel Center allow individuals to attend civil schools on a fulltime basis for the purpose of obtaining a degree. These are Warrant Officer Associate Degree Program [WOADP] and the Degree Completion Program [Bootstrap]. Both are fully explained in AR 621-1 dated 6 May 1974.

An individual selected for college attendance under either of these programs will continue to receive full pay and allowances throughout the duration of his schooling. WOADP is a fully funded program and includes up to \$100 per fiscal year for textbooks. The service obligation incurred under this program is a minimum of three years and a maximum of four years computed from the date of completion or withdrawal from the program.

Under the Degree Completion Program, the individual may use his VA Benefits to pay for the cost of tuition, fees, and textbooks. The service obligation is also three years for each year of schooling or fraction thereof and cannot exceed four years. Complete prerequisites for these programs may be found in AR 621-1.

HE Aviation Warrant Officer Branch has established additional policies concerning selection to enable the maximum number of our warrants to obtain their degrees. Priority is given to those individuals who have demonstrated an outstanding manner of performance, have a high potential for retention, and can obtain their degree in the shortest period of time. Your field of study should be one of functional value to the Army. (See list at the end of the article.)



AWARD — Chief Warrant Officer [W4] Robert W. Buechter [right] receives the Joint Service Commendation Medal from COL William I. Gordon, Dep Cdr, ARR IX, at the Presidio of San Francisco in recent ceremonies. Applications for WOADP and the Degree Completion Program should reach the branch approximately six months prior to your desired starting date and must include a letter of acceptance from the college or university indicating your field of study, degree to be obtained, and the time required for completion to include your start and completion dates.

> OUR unit personnel section and the Education Center can aid you with your application. Those of you who need 20 weeks or less to

complete requirements for a degree may apply for permissive temporary duty either enroute to new PCS assignment or return to present organization.

Another avenue available for officers selected to attend the Aviation Warrant Officer Advanced Course and the Warrant Officer Senior Course at Fort Rucker, Alabama, is the Cooperative Degree Program. Those officers qualifying for this program can complete degree requirements while attending the career courses.

Aviation Warrant Officer Branch presently has about 130 of its members attending civil schools under these two programs. Approximately 30% of our warrants have at least two years of college and we are attempting to increase this percentage. Now is the time for you to start or improve your education.

#### **AWO DISCIPLINES**

The following disciplines are related to Aviation Warrant Officers duties:

ADPS(Business) Aeronautical Engineering Commercial Aviation/Transportation Radio Logistics Management **Electronics Engineering** Transportation & Traffic Mgmt Instrumentation Industrial Management Communications Aerospace Management Electrical Engineering Procurement & Contract Mgmt Aerodynamics Safety Air Conditioning Engineering Engineering Mechanics Hydraulic Engineering **Electronics Magnetism General Physics** Mechanical Engineering Public Safety Metallurgical Engineering Aviation Management Fuel Technology Aeronautical Engr Technology General Engineering Aeronautical science Climatology/Meteorology Aeronautical Studies Statistics Aviation Maintenance Management General Mathematics Aeronautical Technology Aircraft Maintenance Physics Electricity/ Engineering Technology Applied Mechanics

HE Army National Guard is gearing up for its entrance into Nap-of-the-Earth [NOE] Training. Several ARNG SIP/ IP's have undergone NOE IP courses being conducted at five Active Army installations, including a limited number of guotas at Ft. Rucker.

It is anticipated that more than 80 ARNG SIP/IP's will be qualified as NOE IP's by the end of FY 1974. These people will be the core of NOE training to be conducted at State level.

After appropriate directives, training criteria, NOE approved courses, and other related matters are completed, the States will begin their own NOE training, which will provide a vital part of the necessary training for survivability of aviation assets in the event of employment during a mid-intensity conflict.

#### **FLYING HOURS**

The ARNG flew 302,183 hours during FY 74. Of this total, 187,475 flying hours were accomplished in rotary wing aircraft and 14,815 flying hours in fixed wing aircraft. The UH-1 carried the brunt of the load, flying 110,493 hours ... mostly in support of instrument training, aerial gunnery, support missions, and combat readiness minimums.

The total number of hours flown in FY 1974 was 97.86% of the authorized flying hour program - quite an achievement in light of the various changes during the year due to fuel shortages, aircraft, groundings, and changes in the program.

#### MULTI-MEDIA EXPANSION

Since 3 December 1973, when the ARNG first introduced its Multi-Media Program to representatives of all ARNG Aviation Facilities [Army Aviation, 8 Feb 74) the Multi-Media Group has expanded into the video tape recording field. These past few months have seen this outstanding Group keep pace with ever increasing demands for top quality training.

Video tape playback equipment will be located in the "Mini-Learning Centers" at each of the 83 ARNG Aviation facilities, giving them the ability to use either slide/tape-recorded lessons or video taped lessons in the audio-visual portion of their training programs. To CPT Kenneth O. Boley and his crew a "Well Done" for meeting the challenge of today's training needs.

#### ARMY AVIATION COMMITTEE

The ARNG Aviation Committee convened at Edgewood, Maryland on 30 July. This Committee, chaired by Brigadier General James S. Brooks, Assistant Adjutant General, ID ARNG, met for three and a half days, during which many interesting and some urgent problems surfaced. To the Committee's credit resolutions were introduced to either alleviate or eliminate almost every problem area discussed.

The meeting was highlighted by the presentation

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of a comprehensive ARNG Aviation Program Review and Analysis. Contributing to the overall success of the conference and making the long days quite pleasant were the great people at the Edgewood Arsenal Officers' Open Mess who played host and served the committee's needs so courteously and professionally.

#### **OV-1 USER'S CONFERENCE**

OAC-AVN sponsored an OV-1 User's Conference at Edgewood Arsenal, Maryland, on 20-21 August 1974. Representatives from Georgia and Oregon attended. Problems peculiar to the Mohawk (logistic and manpower) were discussed. Agenda Items for the upcoming Army OV-1 User's Conference at Ft. Huachuca AZ were also discussed.

HE changeover from single-engine fixed wing aircraft to multi-engine fixed wing aircraft in the Guard is occurring at a rapid pace. The 0-1 Bird Dog has vanished from the ARNG flight facilities and the U-6

Beaver is not far behind.

These aircraft will be missed by those of us who knew them well; they served faithfully and reliably for many years. The U-8 aircraft (in lieu of the U-21) and a U-3/U-8 should be in all States by FY 76.

#### **AERIAL GUNNERY**

Twenty-six of the ARNG's twenty-eight aviation units possessing organic aero-weapons platoons have completed their initial gunnery qualifications, and the two remaining units are scheduled to fire in the immediate future. The majority of the firing was conducted during annual training and over 450 aviators were qualified without incident. A "Well Done" to the crews and ground personnel responsible for this outstanding achievement.

### ARNG aviation units prepare for own NOE Programs on broad scale

BY COLONEL CHARLES R. JONES CHIEF, AVIATION DIVISION, ARNG Colonel Carl H. McNair, the new Aviation School Brigade Commander, takes a look back to the days of Tet and finds humor...

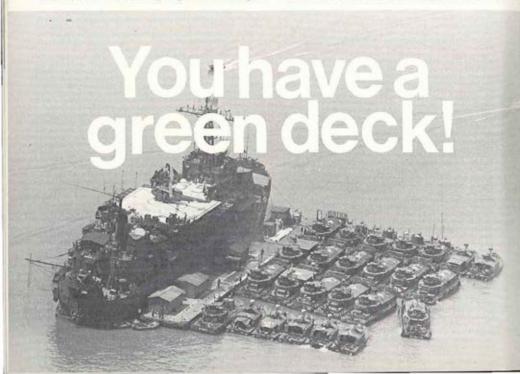
O F the many lessons learned during the Vietnam conflict, many have now been confirmed as standard Army doctrine or been further developed for mid-intensity efforts; some have been discounted as applicable only to low-intensity conflicts; while others have been relegated to the "welllearned and well-documented, but may never again be executed" category.

In the latter vast and formidable category may well be all the expertise developed by those Army Aviation units whose good fortune it was to serve in the Delta region of IV Corps, working with the ARVN forces and the U.S. 9th Infantry Division Mobile Riverine Force. Since landing, hovering, and taking off from aboard ship was not normal routine for most Army Aviators, Delta pilots of the 164th Aviation Group, and other closely associated units, found shipboard operations a whole new experience.

Whether flying a Cobra, LOH, or Huey, the flight techniques themselves may vary little from the pinnacle operations so well taught at Fort Wolters and Fort Rucker, but the terms of "fore, aft, port, starboard, bow, stern, midships" and the like coming from a floating control tower were a totally new jargon for those "green suiters" who were simply accustomed to hearing "downwind, base, final, and Go-Around."

But, it's not the purpose of this little mental flashback in time to the Mekong Delta to talk riverine doctrine or airmobile cover of such operations; these are all well documented in the ORLL's and the SOP's so carefully catalogued away in the school archives and unit histories. My real purpose is to look at some of the lighter moments that occurred which will be long remembered by both Army and Navy associates alike.

One of the more historic landings to occur on the flagship USS Benewah during its extended tour in Vietnam was the unique and memorable "Number 5,000". I cite it as historic, not simply because of the



number or the event, but more because of the nature of how the event occurred.

It was 16 February 1968 during the Post-TET offensive. I was commanding the 121st Assault Helicopter Company [Soc Trang Tigers] and we were assigned to support the 2nd Brigade, 9th Infantry Division, in conjunction with the U.S. Navy River Assault Flotilla One in conducting a search and destroy mission against a local Viet Cong unit up a narrow canal near Can Tho. It was on that day, on that mission during the fast-paced Post-TET offensive, that I had the honor of executing the "Number 5,000" landing on the flight deck of the USS Benewah since she had deployed from her home port of San Diego in May 1967.

As one might anticipate, there were numerous occasions when Army pilots making their initial approach and landing on a Navy ship had to be told the difference between "port" and "starboard". This should certainly not be of any embarrassment to a non-nautical individual, and a rather simple 'left' or 'right' from the primary flight control tower on the ship could take care of the explanation.

#### A landing incident

But, on one occasion, an Army helicopter radioed the Flotilla flagship for clearance to land and was told that he had a "green deck" to land from the USS Benewah's port side. [The USS Benewah, APB-35, was the flagship of the entire River Assault Flotilla One.] After ten minutes of circling above the USS Benewah and the four other ships of similar size and appearance which comprised the Mobile Riverine Base, the pilot radioed in total exasperation, "I only see white flight decks and green ships. Please explain your last transmission."

In Naval terminology, a "green deck" simply means that all protruding antennaes are lowered; the deck is clear of all obstructions; and the LSO [Landing Signal Officer] is in position to bring you aboard. A "red deck", on the other hand, indicates that the deck is fouled because of upright antennaes or other obstructions to a safe aircraft landing, or the LSO is not on deck.

With respect to ship colors, all of the permanently assigned ships in the Mobile Riverine Force were painted green to better blend the vessels in with the dense jungle foliage that lined the banks of the delta streams and canals. The helicopter pad, limited in size as it was and barely accommodating a single helicopter, was painted white, thus further confusing the already frustrated aviator.

On another occasion, a newcomer to the Riverine Force Support Element was given clearance to land on the USS Colleton, APB-36, a sister ship of the USS Benewah, and he promptly proceeded to land on the wrong ship by mistake. The two looked almost identical except for the different numbers of "35" and "36" and one had to look closely to distinAAAA REGIONAL MEETINGS The AAAA's First Region (1st Army Area) will hold its initial professionalsocial meeting at Ft. Rucker in Feb. 1975, the same month in which the USAREUR Region will convene.

The Fifth Army Area Region plans its second meeting in conjunction with a training conference to be conducted in San Antonio in April, 1975.

guish this difference. One frequently hears of such incidents happening, even with a flight from a major airline landing at the wrong airport, so the young aviator regained his composure, pulled pitch, and proceeded to his proper destination ship 500 yards downstream.

With me on board the command and control aircraft was the Task Force Commander, a senior Navy Captain [properly titled the Flotilla Commodore] who is today a prominent US Navy Admiral and who, for the obvious purposes of this story, shall remain nameless. In the Navy, as in the Army and Air Force, landings of a significant number, such as 1,000, 5,000, and 10,000, aboard a given installation, headquarters, flagship, or aircraft carrier, are considered very significant events.

As such, some form of celebration or recognition is usually in order, and this custom was certainly no different in Vietnam. It was perhaps even more significant since the Riverine Force was a unique "first' in Naval history.

#### Official account

As the official press release from River Assault Flotilla One read in part:

"With the Mobile Riverine Force in the Mekong-Delta - The USS Benewah (APB-35), flagship for the unique Army-Navy Mobile Riverine Force in the Mekong-Delta of Vietnam, recorded helicopter landing number 5,000 on her flight deck on February 16, 1968. True to form, the historic landing was made by an Army aircraft, this one a UH-1D helicopter from the 121st Assault Helicopter Company. It was piloted by Major Carl H. McNair, Jr., USA. Embarked on the flight was Captain......

enant Commander Gerald Saucier, as soon as the helicopter settled on the deck.

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#### MASTERS ALL!

LTC James Adler, (3rd from left), is surrounded by Davison Army Airfield Master Army Aviators after receiving his new Master AA designation. Shown left to right are LTC Ron Walker, CW4 Fred Lindsley, LTC Adler, CW4 Dick Piety, LTC Ray Young, and CW4 Charlie Astrike. (USA photo)

#### **DECISIONS, DECISIONS**

In a foursome golf tournament in which husbands and wives played alternate strokes, one woman faced a tricky shot across a stream. Her low-handicap husband assured her it would be good tactics for her to miss the ball completely and then let him chip it across the stream.

"All right," she agreed, "But what club shall I use?" -The Chauvinst

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#### SHAKE AND BAKE?

Wrapped and waiting, this Army Cobra sat at Ft. Hood for 45 days recently to test the effectiveness of its form-fitted Driclad system. The plastic covering is part of a test being conducted by MASSTER to find a method that'll prevent corrosion and rust in aircraft stored for different periods of time. A dehumidifier inside the covering warms and recirculates the air and is monitored by a control box at the lower right.

#### **BELIEVABLE!**

Did you hear the one about the girl who said she'd do anything for a mink coat - and now she can't button it? -The Chauvinist

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#### **ONE CANDLE ON THE CAKE!**

Master Sergeant O.P. Peurala, left, an aviation maintenance chief at Fort Huachuca, Ariz, and J.D. Ainsworth, an electronic engineer, go over an equipment list on one of the aircraft presently assigned to the Army Communication Command's Air Traffic Control Activity (USAATCA) here. The activity, which celebrated its first anniversary recently, is equipping all of its aircraft for traffic control and navigational aids evaluation. (USA photo)

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#### TO THE BONEYARD!

Captain James N. Baird, left, and Michael R. Cullen make the final checks prior to the long, last flight of their Army Beaver to its final resting place at Davis Monthan AFB, Ariz. The two men alternated piloting chores during the five-leg, 18hour, three-day flight from Aberdeen Proving Ground, Md., to the boneyard. The U-6A was one of four remaining in the Army inventory. (USA photo)

#### ENOUGH SAID!

An eager project manager started on a swing of several AAAA Chapters to talk about his company's new proposal, and his tirst stop was at the Association's Midnight Sun Chapter at Fort Richardson, Alaska.

His talk at the Quad-A meeting reflected his enthusiasm for the new campaign. When he sat down, he apologized to the Chapter President for exceeding by a long way the time allocated for his presentation.

"Don't worry about it," he was reassured. "It wasn't really too long at all. You merely shortened the winter for us."

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The anatomy of any organization - and the AAAA is one includes four kinds of bones:

Jaw-bones: Those who talk a lot, but do little else. Knuckle-bones: Who knock everything everyone else does. Wish-bones: Who will go along with an idea, but who want someone else to do the work.

Back-bones: Who get behind the wheel and do the work. -Rotary Rotations

#### CELEBRITY!

In running off a membership roster for Iran's ever-growing Persia Chapter, the AAAA National Office was startled to find a member bearing the name of an American celebrity. Residing at 11AA Ghalehmorghi in Tehran is WO3 Mohamad Aali. We'll bet The Great One doesn't know he has a namesake in Iranian Army Aviation.

#### THE MOST IMPORTANT WORDS

The SIX important words: "I admit I made a mistake." The FIVE most important words: "You did a good job.' The FOUR most important words: "What is your opinion" The THREE most important words: "If you please." The TWO most important words: "Thank you." The ONE most important word: "We." The LEAST important word: "I."

-The Army FLIER

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### QUAD-A BRIEFING

Bud West, left, Ft. Monroe Chapter VP for Programming, looks on as W.A. "Bill" Healy (center), Sikorsky Manager of Military Requirements, describes the advantages of his company's new cross-beam UTTAS tail rotor. COL Ken Mertel, the Chapter President, holds the model tail rotor which Healy employed to highlight his AAAA presentation at Fort Monroe.

### THROUGH THE LOOKIN' GLASS

The mountain dweller found a small mirror, the first he had ever seen. He looked into it with surprise and exclaimed, "By cracky, it's a pitcher of me old pappy!"

Sentimentally, he then hid the mirror under his bed.

His wife saw him hiding it, and when the man had left the house, she took the mirror, looked into it, and snorted, "So that's the old hag he's been chasin'!"

-The Grapevine, LENL

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It was on a routine flight to San Francisco and, as usual, a very attractive stewardess was about her chores busily. A chap up forward was doing his best to make time with her, in the aft section another Lothario was on the same mission with no better reception. Just short of landing the man forward pressed a key and a paper with just his address into her hand. She accepted both with a wink and walked aft, and handed the key and the address slip to the other chap and told him not to be late. History does not relate the outcome, but it probably was interesting.

-Nat'l Observer

# SHOP TALK

Every lunchtime the same stockbrokers sat together and invariably their conversation turned to one thing: the stock market.

Utterly bored with this one-track conversation, one of the stockbrokers suggested that they try to talk about something else.

"Okay," agreed one of his associates. "I'll buy that. What about women?"

"That sounds fine to me," said the third broker. "Common or preferred?"

-The Chauvinist

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YOU HAVE A GREEN DECK!/Continued from P. 31

One of the most unusual aspects of the first 5,000 landings, all of which have been compiled since the Benewah's deployment to the Delta in May, 1967, has been the fact that 4,848 of the 5,000 have been made by Army helicopters on the Naval amphibious ship. Only 43 of the landings have been by Navy aircraft; the remaining nine landings were divided among Marine (4), Australian (2), Air Force (1), and civilian (2) aircraft \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_"

### A unique experience

It was truly a unique experience, privilege, and a pleasure to work with the Riverine Forces and the supporting Naval elements. The Commodore, in particular, was a true professional and a gentlemen in every respect, but he was all business and certainly one who believed in promptness, efficiency, and the highest of standards. With this then as the background for landing "5,000", allow me to back up the clock to 0630 [H-30] on the morning of 16 February 1968, that fateful day on the flagship USS Benewah.

As was routine for an Air Mission Commander, I arrived on deck approximately 30 minutes early to insure detailed and proper coordination with all commanders and supporting elements for the impending assault. Upon landing to pick up the Commodore, the ship captain, LCDR Saucier, advised me that I had just made the 4,998th landing on the deck of the flagship since it had departed San Diego nine months before.

He further advised me that he was particularly anxious for the Commodore to be aboard the aircraft that made the "Number 5,000" landing, and, since we were well ahead of the operational schedule for the morning assault, he asked if I could make two approaches and landings immediately after the Commodore boarded the aircraft. With an obvious "green deck" and a light load, the two landings could be accomplished in a matter of minutes and still allow us to arrive in the vicinity of the operational area long before H-Hour.

I agreed to the ship captain's request and upon becoming airborne, I turned crosswind back toward the ship for an immediate landing. The Commodore who was seated immediately behind my aircraft commander's seat, leaned forward, tapped me on the helmet, and asked why I was returning to the ship. When I explained the skipper's request, the Comodore, in his curt but officious tone, replied, "You radio the skipper for me that the number "5,000" is a very flexible figure and the next time I land on the flagship, number "5,000" will have arrived!"

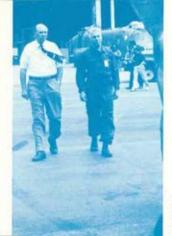
And so it was. Two hours later, with my fuel nearly exhausted and the assault successfully completed, we returned to the ship to find three helicopters stacked and orbiting impatiently overhead. A "red deck" was indicated and they had temporarily been denied landing clearance -- until landing "Number 5,000" with the Commodore aboard was safely completed. An unswerving skipper and an unquestionable count had prevailed.

### **Cutting the cake!**

I shall probably never know who made landings 5,001, 5,002, or 5,003, but, now that they know how and why "Number 5,000" was made, perhaps they will understand the "red deck" suddenly turning "green" at the approach of the fourth ship in the stack -- which had the Commodore aboard. Placed near the helipad was a beautifully prepared cake complete with the number "5,000" and an accurate replica of a UH-1D. The cake was promptly cut by the Commodore with a Navy dress sword in the finest of service tradition, adding dignity and ceremony in the midst of an otherwise very busy and very active command, to the cheers of a large crowd of the ship's crew.

Even today, almost seven years later, I look back on this incident and my entire association and extensive operations with the US Navy Forces, including Flotilla One, the "Seals", and the "Sea Wolves" in Vietnam, as a very valuable series of lessons learned and not sooh to be forgotten.

Perhaps, someday, Army Aviation will have the opportunity to rejoin forces with our sister service in amphibious operations, ship-to-shore movements, or - perhaps - even Riverine Operations.



# HLH Ca Hand

LET'S HAVE A GO AT IT! Boeing Vertol's Stuverude and USAAVNC's Maj. Gen. Maddox



CT CONTACTOR

HANGAR BRIEFING. A.J. Hutto, HLH test pilot, and Tom Peppler, Project Manager [cen.], give advice On July 16, Boeing Vertol demonstrated its triple redundant fly-by-wire flight control system publicly for the first time. Installed in a Model 347 together with an automatic flight control system, the fly-bywire setup enabled the rear-facing crew-

INSIDE LISTENING OUT A hand [right] cautions the pilot-to-be seated in cage

OUTSIDE LISTENING IN. "Bill" Maddox holds ears tightly while turbines whine



"DO'S" AND "DON'TS" AT TAILGATE Howard Stuverude [cen.] and BG Jerry Lauer, AVSCOM Proj. Manager, elaborate





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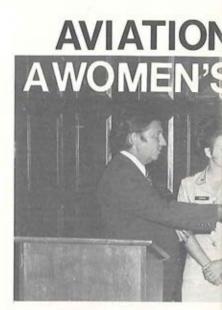
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LEFT: PFC Bobbie J. Skar of Yamima, Wash., was the first woman to enlist specifically for the AH-1G Helicopter Mechanic Course at USATSch, and the first to graduate from it on 1 Aug. RIGHT: PVT Suzanne K. Garrett was the first woman to complete the OH-6 Helicopter Mechanic Program at Ft. Eustis. She's also the first woman from the Fla-ARNG to take this training.



ABOVE: With the support of Dothan Mayor Jimmy Grant and USAAVNC Commander, MG William J. Maddox, Jr., right, the CofC organized a "Linda Horan Day" honoring Army Aviation's 2nd woman Army Aviator. The Mayor is shown presenting 2LT Horan with a memento, BELOW: PFC Cathy Pettinaill receives her diploma from CPT David A. McClintock, on being the first woman araduate of the CH-47 Helicopter Repairman Course, USATSch, Ft, Eustis, Va.



### CASSETTES/Continued from Page 48

C3 "Product Support During Full Production Phase - Industry" Mr. James Blue, Director of Logistics, Boeing Commercial Airplane Co. (Approximately 20 minutes)

'D" CASSETTE - 90 MIN. - 45 MIN. ON FACH SIDE D. Panel Discussion, Mr. Cribbins, moderator: Mr. Kollender: LTC McGrath: Mr. Blue: USN representative. (Approximately 55 minutes to one hour )

"F" CASSETTE - 90 MIN. - 45 MIN. ON EACH SIDE

E1. "Product Support During Fleet Operation Phase - Industry", Mr. T.R. Pierpoint, Director of Product Support. Boeing Vertol Company, (20 minutes.)

E2. "Product Support During Fleet Operations Phase - Military", Lt. Colonel Richard Ropp, CH-47 Weapons Systems Manager, Ho. AVSCOM. (Approx. 20 minutes.)

E3. "Relationship of Design-to-Cost to Life Cycle Cost -Industry", Mr. Anthony M. Nastri, Manager, Cost Control Systems, Sikorsky Aircraft Division, (20 minutes.)

E4. "Relationship of Design-to-Cost to Life Cycle Cost - Military", Mr. Joseph P. Cribbins, ODCSLOG, DA (20 min.) Management School. (Approximately 20 minutes.)

"F" CASSETTE - 90 MIN. - 45 MIN. ON EACH SIDE

F1. "Product Support - The AVSCOM Perspective". Major General Frank A. Hinrichs, Hg. AVSCOM, (15 minutes.) F2. Panel Discussion, MG Hinrichs, Mr, Cribbins, Mr, Pier-

- point, LTC Roop, Mr. Nastri, (Approx, 30 minutes.)
- F3. Summary Discussion. Review of all Aviation Product Support Symposium areas, (Approximately 30 min.)

### "G" CASSETTE - 90 MIN. - 45 MIN. ON EACH SIDE

G1. "The Importance of Product Support in a Training Base." Major General William J. Maddox, Jr., Commander, USA Aviation Center and Fort Rucker, (Thursday, Sept. 5 Luncheon Address. Approximately 15-20 minutes.)

- 62. Dinner Address, The Honorable Norman R. Augustine, Assistant Secretary of the Army (Research & Development). (Thursday evening address. Approx. 15-20 min.)
- G3. Luncheon Address. Mr. W.H. Spannuth, Director of Aircraft Development, Trans World Airlines. (Friday, Sept. 6 luncheon address, Approximately 20 minutes.)

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The following AAAA Chapter meetings were not received in time to be listed in the July, 1974 issue:

AUGUST 3. Ft. Monroe and David E. Condon Chapters. "AAAA Whirlybird Picnic". Holly Cove Farm and Marina. For AAAA families and their guests.

AUGUST 9. Mt. Rainier Chapter. Late afternoon Professional Meeting. Phil Norwine, Director of U.S. Gov't Mktg. Bell Helicopter Co., guest speaker. Carey Theater, Ft. Lewis, Wash.

AUGUST 29. Airmobile Chapter |Fort Campbell]. Late afternoon Business-Social Meeting. Elections. Delegate selection. Free beer. Air Base NCO Club. Members only.

### SEPTEMBER, 1974 MEETINGS

SEPT. 5-6. Lindbergh Chapter, Aviation Product Support Symposium. Red Carpet Inn. St. Louis, Mo. Professional Dinner Meeting, Sept. 5 with Hon. Norman R. Augustine, Asst Sec of the Army (R&D), guest speaker.Members only.

SEPT. 5. Taunus Chapter [Frankfurt, Germany]. General Membership Breakfast at the Cunard Int'l, London. All-Day visit to Farnborough Air Show. Members only.

SEPT. 11. David E. Condon [Ft. Eustis] Chapter.-Late afternoon Business-Social Meeting, Convention planning, Free beer. Members only.

SEPT. 12. Fort Riley Chapter. Late afternoon Business-Social Meeting. Rod & Gun Club. Elections. Chapter plans. Members only. SEPT. 13. Bonn Area Chapter. Rhein River Cruise. Dinner and sail.

SEPT. 13. Fort Monroe Chapter. Late afternoon Business-Social Meeting. Delegate selection/Happy Hour. Langley AFB O-Club. Members only.

SEPT. 14. Fort Hood Chapter. Third Annual AAAA Picnic. Belton Lake Recreation Area. Members and families.

SEPT. 17. Greater Chicago Area Chapter. Professional-Business Meeting. Presentation on Reserve Center at Glenview NAS: Delegate selection. Ft. Sheridan OOM.

SEPT. 18. Monmouth Chapter. Social-Business Meeting. Delegate selection, member proposals. Rosie O'Grady's. Members only.

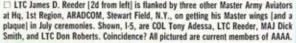
SEPT. 19. Richard H. Bitter [Corpus Christij Chapter. Late afternoon Business-Social Meeting. Defegate selection, member proposals. Free keg. NAS Ready Room, Members only.

SEPT. 19. Taunus [Frankfurt] Chapter. Professional After Dinner Meeting. BG James H. Merryman, ADC. 3rd Armored Division, guest speaker. Drake OOM. Members only.

SEPT. 21. Golden Gate Chapter. Professional-Social Dinner Meeting. Mr. R.W. Sullivan, Beech Aircraft Corporation, guest speaker. Delegate selection, member proposals. Fleet Admiral Nimitz Club. Members only.

SEPT. 21. Fort Leavenworth Area Chapter. Annual Membership Picnic & Get-Together (Purely social). Hunt Lodge. Members and families.







UPDATE – A.J. Hutto, Boeing Vertol test pilot, is shown during his mid-July presentation on the Model 347 helicopter to members of AAAA's David E. Condon [Ft. Eustis] Chapter. [USA photo]

SEPT. 24. Army Aviation Center Chapter. General membership dinner meeting (Stag) Delegate selection, introduction of Chapter Awardees. Officers' Lake Lodge. Members only.

SEPT. 25. Grand Canyon [Arizona] Chapter. Professional Luncheon Meeting. COL Edward L. Nielsen, Ret., AAAA NaTI President, guest speaker. La Hacienda Infield Club. Delegate selection. Members only.

SEPT. 26. Persian Chapter. Professional Dinner Meeting. Guest speaker to be announced. Details by local notice.

SEPT. 29. Washington, D.C. Chapter. Annual Potomac River Cruise on Wilson Line. Pier #4. Free bar. Members & guests.

### **OCTOBER, 1974 MEETINGS**

OCT. 16-18. Sixteenth AAAA National Convention. Shoreham-Americana and Sheraton-Park Hotels. Washington, D.C. Members, wives, and invited guests.

NOV.-DEC., 1974 MEETINGS

DEC. 13. Greater Chicago Area Chapter. 1974 AAAA Christmas Ball.

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The AAAA National Office will be closed during the week of October 13-19 in order that the AAAA national staff may support the on site administrative and logistic requirements associated with the AAAA's Sixteenth National Convention in Washington, D.C., October 16-18,

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# The Personal Side

Mrs. Lawrence W. Brumm, born July 27 at

Shannon Kay Dunagan, daughter of LTC

John Edward Klugiewicz, son of CW2

and Mrs. Clarence M. Dunagan, born on

June 28 at Tehran. Weight, 3100 grams,

and Mrs. James E. Klugiewicz, born on

June 14, 1974 at Ft. Bragg, N.C.

graduation of Aug. 27.

Honor Graduates

**USA AVIATION SCHOOL** 

CPT Joseph M. Cosumano, Jr., ORWAC

CW2 James M. Davis, ATCAOC\* Aug. 29.

2LT Thomas A. Johanson, ORWAC, Jul 30. 1LT Robert L. Johnson, Jr., ORWAC Aug 13.

WO1 Daniel R. Mudge, WORWAC, July 16.

CW4 Paul A. Plancon, WOSC, June 27. WO1 Mark A. Schindler, WORWAC, Aug 13.

CW2 Michael L. Talton, AWOAC, June 27.

USA TRANSPORTATION SCHOOL

SP5 Robert A. Cochrane, AMNBC 44-74

ILT Kerry Patterson, AMORTC 11-74 Aug 7

SFC Joe P. Pullen, AMNAC (See photo).

SP5 Scott F. Rockwell, AMNBC (See photo)

1LT Paul M. Severance, AMORTC 10-74,

graduation on Aug. 26.

1LT William D. Gee, ORWAC, July 16.

Ft. Eustis Va.

length 50 centimeters.

### Awards

AAAA HONORARY MEMBERS [CHAPTER]

COL Peter J. Collins, AvnO, British Army of the Rhine, by Taunus Chapter, June 6. LTG William R. Desobry, Commander, V

- Corps, by Taunus Chapter, June 6. MG John Q. Henion, Commander, 9th Infantgry Division & Fort Lewis, by Mt.
- Rainier Chapter, June 6. COL Oberst Schulz, Kommendeur, Heeresflieger Waffenschule, Flugplatz, by Tau-

nus Chapter, June 6.

ARMY COMMENDATION MEDAL

CPT Harry B. Millord, Thailand, CW2 John P. Zartman, 1st OLC, Ft. Rucker.

**BROKEN WING AWARD** CW2 Gary L. Campbell, USAAVNC.

FLIGHT SAFETY AWARDS 23rd Aviation Detachment, USAG Okinawa. 6.220 accident-free hours on Mar. 1. USA Aviation Test Board, Ft. Rucker AL. 13.055 accident-free hours on April 22.

FLIGHT SAFETY AWARDS (INDIVIDUAL) [3,000 or more accident-free hours] CPT Lonnie L. Burkhalter, 3,000 hours. CW3 Gerald L. Griffin, 5.600 hours. MAJ Leroy E. Guy, 4.900 hours. CW3 Michael D. Magonigal, 4,000 hours.

### Births

July 10. SFC Martin D. Wright, AMNAC 10-74, on MAJ Ronald C. Metcalf, 3,400 hours. Aug. 23. (See photo, adjoining page.) Have a personal item or accomplishment to list? Please send it in. Lawrence E. Brumm, son of CPT and



Engraved AAAA plaques were awarded recently at USAAVNC to the Distinguished Graduates olf the AWO Advanced and Senior Courses. The recipients are, respectively, CW2 Michael L. Talton and CW4 Paul A. Plancon, 2d and 3d from left. Making the presentations were LTG Robert R. Williams, Jeft, Ho, USARPAC, & MG William J. Maddox, Jr.



SGM Ellis W. Spear, left, Div SGM, Mgt & Qual Assur Div, USATSch, congratulates SP5 Scott F. Rockwell as the Honor Graduate of a recent AMNBC.

### Marriages

SPENCER-LEWIS. Miss Barbara Ann Lewis and CW2 Samuel Clinton Spencer were married June 22, 1974 at the Red House United Brethren Independent Church, Red House, W. Va. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lyle K. Lewis The parents of the groom are Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Spencer of Richwood, W. Va. The couple will reside in Fayetteville, N.C.

### Obituaries

CW3 [Ret.] William L. Long, 47, of Cape Giradeau, Mo., died July 9, 1974, in St. John's Mercy Hospital, St. Louis, Mo., as a result of injuries received in an aircraft accident on May 30, 1974. He is survived by his wife of 1817 Oak Hills Drive, Cape Girardeau Mo.

LTC [Ret.] Roy W. Owen, one of Army Aviation's first Master Army Aviators, died March 13, 1974. He is survived by his wife, Margo, of 889 Lurline Drive, Foster City, Calif.



### MASTER ARMY AVIATOR

CW3 Gerald L. Griffin, USAREUR

- LTC Charles F. Hatfield, USSOUTHCOM.
- LTC James D. Reeder, Ft. Stewart, N.Y. SENIOR ARMY AVIATOR
- CW3 Albert J. Ladesic, Jr., USAAVNC.
- CPT James W. Strye, USAREUR.
- CPT Alex Woods, Jr., Berlin Brigade.

# **Command and Staff**

CHANGE IN DUTY ASSIGNMENTS OF SENIOR AAAA MEMBERS

□ While many of the "Command and Staff" listings below are curent, many were delayed because of the combination of the August and September issues.

### Generals

- MG Sidney B. Berry, Quarters 100, U.S. Mil Academy, West Point NY 10996.
- MG Harold I. Hayward, DCSPER. Hq. US Army. Europe &7A. APO NY 09403.
- MG John L. Klingenhagen, Exec Dir. Supp Opns. DSA. Cameron Station VA 22314.
- MG Alton G. Post, DCSLOG, USATRADOC, Fort Monroe VA 23651.
- MG Donald Rattan, Quarters 10. Staff Post Road, Ft. Sam Houston TX 78234.
- BG John N. Brandenburg, ADC. 101st Abn Div (Ambl), Ft. Campbell KY 42223.
- BG William J. Kennedy, Commandant, USA Signal School, Ft. Gordon GA 20905.
- BG James H. Merryman, ADC II, 3d Armored Division, APO NY 09165.
- BG Leo Soucek, Holding Detachment, OCSA, Washington, D.C. 20310.

### Colonels D D D D D

- COL Russell E. Baugh, Cdr. ROTC. Vanderbilt University, Box 1808, Station B. Nashville TN 37235.
- COL Robert D. Bretz, NORAD. 1500 East Boulder. Colorado Springs CO 80912.
- COL Harry L. Bush, HISA, USA, St. Louis Area Spt Cen, Granite City IL 62040.
- COL Kenneth J. Calcatera, Chief, Acrit Dev Procurement Div, AVSCOM, P.O. Box

### 209-Main Office, St. Louis MO 63166. COL John Campbell, Cdr. Corpus Christi

- AD, Corpus Christi TX 78419. COL John P. Casey, Jr., Hg. 3d Bde. 1st
- Cav Div, Ft. Hood TX 76545. COL Thomas E. Connell, ODCSLOG, Hq.
- USAREUR, APO NY 09403. COL Harold E. Cook, EAMTMTS, MOTBY.
- Bidg 82, Bayonne NJ 070002.
- COL Robert G. Cooper, Stu Det. USA War College, Carlisle Barracks PA 17013.
- COL William E. Dasch, Tobyhanna Army Depot, Tobyhanna PA 18466.
- COL James D. Davenport, USA Readiness Region IX, Pres of SF CA 94129.
- COL Willys E. Davis, Dep President, USA Infantry Board, Ft. Benning GA 31905.
- COL Robert M. Grow, USDAO, American Embassy, APO NY 09662.
- COL Algin S. Hawkins, Hq. Project MASS-TER, Ft. Hood TX 76544.
- COL Byron P. Howlette, Jr., Army Readiness Region VIII, Sixth US Army. Rocky Mountain Arsenal CO 80240.
- COL Raymond E. Johnson, Army Readiness Region 1, Ft. Devens MA 01433.
- COL Joseph H. Kastner, Cdr. 12th Aviation Group (Combat), Ft. Bragg NC 28307.
- COL James E. Kennedy, Hq. Army Readiness Region V. PO Box 84, Ft. Sheridan IL 60037.
- COL Jimmie King, Hq. USASESS. Fort Gordon GA 30905.
- COL Emil Kleuver, Cdr. Toelle Army Depot. Toelle UT 84074.
- COL William F. Koehler, Hq. Spec Troops. Ft. Richardson AK 99505.



SFC Martin D. Wright [right], is shown receiving an AAAA Certificate of Achievement as Distinguished Graduate of the Aircraft Maintenance NCO Advanced Course at the U.S. Army Transportation School. SGM Kenny Deskins, Department SGM, Aviation Maintenance Training Department, graduation guest speaker, makes the award. [USA photo]



□ MG John Q. Henion, left, CDR, 9th Inf Div & Ft. Lewis, receives an AAAA Honorary Membership from LTC Harold D. Snyder, Mt. Rainier Chapter President, on June 6. [USA photo]

COL Leslie A. Layne, Office of the IG. Hq. 5th USA, Ft. Sam Houston TX 78234.

- COL Charles A. Mateer, Hq. 1st U.S. Army. Ft. George G. Meade MD 20755.
- COL Carl H. McNair, Jr., Hq. Aviation School Brigade, FI. Rucker AL 36360.
- COL Robert H. Nevins, Jr., Hq. MASSTER, Ft. Hood TX 76542.
- COL James H. Nix, ACoS G-1. USARJ. Camp Zama, APO S.F. 96343.
- COL John D. O'Donohue, Hq. 45th Supp Gp. 25th Inf Div. APO S.F. 96225.
- COL David A. Richards, USDAO, American Embassy. APO NY 09159.

Have a personal item or accomplishment to list? Please send it in.

COL Joseph F. Rutkowski, Hq. USAAVNC. Ft. Rucker AL 36360.

COL G.M. Sibbles, S&F DCSLOG, U.S. Military Academy, West Point NY 10996.

- COL George W. Shallcross, Director, USA Air Mob R&D Lab (Eustis Directorate), Ft. Eustis VA 23604.
- COL Paul B. Synder, Box 13, Hq. MAAG Senior Advisor, APO S.F. 96263.
- COL Jerry L. Teague, Div of Fac Engr. Ft. Polk LA 71459.
- COL Thomas Thompson, ODCSLOG. Hq. DA, Washington D.C. 20310.
- COL Adalbert E. Toepel, Jr., Cdr. Dugway Proving Ground UT 84022.
- COL Robert F. Tugman, Senior Advisor, 9th ARCOM, Ft. Meade MD 20755.
- COL Carlos E. Urrutia [Ret.], Hq. ARAD-MAC, Corpus Christi TX 78419.
- COL Dean E. Wright, US Army Rodman Laboratory, Rock Island IL 61201. 47

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### "A" CASSETTE – 90 MIN. – 45 MIN. ON EACH SIDE PRODUCT SUPPORT FOR NEW AIRCRAFT WEAPONS SYSTEMS DURING RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT PHASE 0900-1130 HOURS, THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 1974

A1. "The Intent of this Symposium". Mr. Joseph P. Cribbins. ODCSLOG, DA. Symposium moderator. (Approx. 10 min.)

A2. "Product Support During R&D Phase - Industry". Prime Contractor: Mr. Hans M. Weichsel, Senior Vice President. Bell Helicopter Company. (Approx. 20 minutes).

A3. "Product Support During R&D Phase - Industry". Major Subcontractor: Mr. Kai Thomassen, Manager of Land Warfare Systems, Hughes Aircraft Co. (20 min.)

A4. "Product Support During R&D Phase - Military". Brigadier General Leo D. Turner, USA, Project Manager, UTTAS Hg, AVSCOM. (Approximately 20 minutes).

"B" CASSETTE – 90 MIN. – 45 MIN. ON EACH SIDE B. Panel Discussion: Mr. Cribbins, Mr. Weichsel, Mr. Thomassen, BG Turner. (Approx. one hour and five minutes).

### "C" CASSETTE – 90 MIN. – 45 MIN. ON EACH SIDE PRODUCT SUPPORT IN MATERIEL ACQUISITION PHASE 1400-1630 HOURS, THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 1974

 "Product Support During Initial Low-Rate Production Phase - Industry". Mr. Larry P. Kollender, Deputy Support Program Mgr. Grumman Aerospace Corp. (20 min.)
"Product Support During Initial Low-Rate Production Phase - Military". Lt. Colonel McGrath, USAF. F-15 Program. (Approximately 20 minutes.) [Continued on Page 43]

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