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The colorguard for the Washington Artillery take to the field during the battalion's 147th Annual Parade and Review. The review was held on the Parade Field at Jackson Barracks, New Orleans. (241st PAD Photo) (See story on Page 8)

The Adjutant General's Information Line

The Adjutant General's Information Line is a positive means for The Adjutant General to better understand the feelings of Guard personnel, and to directly receive suggestions for improvements to the Guard's conditions.

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found in the March 86 issue of the LOUISIANA GUARD.

Q: I understand we have to wear our dog tags at all times now while in uniform. Does this apply to state and federal technicians who have to wear their uniforms everyday? And is it true that if we're traveling on government business in civilian clothes we still have to wear dog tags?

traveling to or through terrorist areas. The same applies for carrying your military ID card. According to the guidelines these methods of identification are essential to the process of identification in the event of loss of life or serious injury to the soldier. Because of the tragic crash that occurred last December in Newfoundland, in which identifying the bodies became almost impossible because the soldiers were carrying their dental records on board, this practice has been discontinued. No dental records will be carried to any exercise or temporary duty site. This information is more than you asked for, but it is all inter-related.

A: Travel expenses are deductible for required attendance at drills and A.T. outside your general commuting area. This includes reasonable transportation, meals and lodging expenses that exceed reimbursements provided by the government. If drill is held in the general area of your tax home, the cost of transportation from your home to drill is a non-deductible commuting expense. More information on tax-hints for guardsmen can be

A: Department of Army officials recently issued new guidance concerning ID cards and dog tags. Soldiers will wear dog tags at all times when in the field, engaged in training, traveling on government business (whether in uniform or civilian clothes) and while

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In addition, no one should imply or threaten that an employee or member's "cooperation" of a sexual nature (or refusal thereof) will have any effect on the individual's employment, assignment, compensation, advancement, career development, or any other condition of employment.

In keeping with our theme of values and our commitment to maintaining excellence, we must continue to exhibit the highest level of professional behavior and courtesy as we train to accomplish our mission.


Major General, USAFMC
The Adjutant General



MG A. M. Stroud, Jr.

2nd Battalion, 256th gearing up for National Training Center

By John Sullivan
241st Pub Aff Det

Training for members of the Louisiana National Guard's 2nd Battalion, 256th Infantry (Mechanized) will have them ready for their tour of the National Training Center this summer, according to Maj. Gen. Ansel M. Stroud.

Stroud, adjutant general of the Louisiana National Guard said the officers and men of the 2nd Battalion are paying a lot of attention to lessons learned during the summer of 1985 by members of the guard's 3rd Battalion, 156th Infantry (Mechanized).

"I think we have gained a lot from the 3rd Battalion's experience," Stroud said. "We learned a lot about the logistics involved in an operation of this sort, and the training that it provides."

The National Training Center — or NTC as it's more commonly called — is a training site the size of Rhode Island that is located in the Mojave Desert in California. The U.S. Army post, Ft. Irwin is the center of the huge training site that is the only area in the United States where large

scale mechanized wargames can be held.

The Louisiana National Guard's 3rd Battalion became the first state unit to take part in the training there during the summer of 1985.

"I believe that because of the lessons learned last summer,

"There is absolutely no substitute for the National Training Center"

that our logistical support will be more effective," Stroud said.

The adjutant general added that training so far this year has been aimed at improving maintenance problems of the

kind that could be encountered in the deserts of the NTC.

"The preparation this year has been very similar to that which the 3rd Battalion did," Stroud said. "The 2nd Battalion has the leadership there to do a very good job."

The training at the NTC, which can not be accomplished in Louisiana for a variety of reasons, includes realistic battles between visiting units such as the 2nd Battalion and the members of the OPFOR — or Opposing Forces.

The OPFOR units drive simulated Warsaw Pact vehicles and engage the guardsmen almost as soon as they get into the desert training site.

"There is absolutely no substitute for the training center for the preparation of a unit for combat," Stroud said. "This is the closest and most realistic training available."

He added that the basic soldier skills, like last year, will be the key to success for the 2nd Battalion this year.

"If a squad can perform well, then we can build on that," Stroud said. "This unit will give its best effort, and that is all that I, or anyone else, can ask for."

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SAFETY SEZ

By CW3 Stanley Sirgo

Safety key goal at NTC in 1986

The Second Battalion of the Louisiana Brigade will spend June 1986 under conditions never before experienced by them as Guardsmen. They will train at the National Training Center (NTC) Ft. Irwin, California.

During the period 31 May through 21 June the troops of the "Steel Lightning" Battalion will be taxed to their limits. The extreme heat, the irregular sleep, and the intense training will take its toll. These Guardsmen will be asked to put together all of their past training to achieve their readiness goal.

While accomplishing their goal, they must remain mindful of their personal safety and the safety of others. If every individual strives for a zero accident rate for himself and is able to achieve that target, we will experience a safe NTC rotation.

Each individual must constantly remind himself of the possibility of heat related injuries and take the fluids in the amount recommended. Heat can be as dangerous as any hazard encountered.

The leadership of this Battalion, starting with the commander through the NCO's

have accepted the responsibility for the safety of their soldiers. The NCO is frequently the most important link in the safety chain. He is the one often standing next to the man that needs the most protection.

The Steel Lightning Battalion has the unique opportunity to make the Louisiana Brigade and the Louisiana National Guard proud of them by bringing back the best safety record ever.

REMEMBER: Our people are our most precious asset.



USL (NG/USAR) MSIII Cadets Enrolled Fall 85
 Back Row - L to R: Linden Bercegeay, Gabriel Walker, Gerald Thompson, Michael St. Cyr, Michael Hulin.
 Front Row - L to R: Brian Haynes (USAR), Jesse Perry, Koby Sellers, Kary Landry.

Guardsmen in ROTC at USL

By Maj. James L. Nelson

In 1984, McNeese ROTC consummated an agreement with USL whereby National Guard and Reserve personnel at USL could receive Advanced ROTC to qualify for a Reserve and State Commission. That year six USL students participated in this program. By 1985, eight guardsmen entered the program as MSIII's and two guardsmen will be commissioned from the MSIV class.

The MSIII class consists of Koby Sellers, HC, 256th Inf Bde; Michael Hulin, Det 2, 199th Spt Bn; Charles Begnaud, HC, 256th Inf Bde; Linden Bercegeay, 106th Med Co; Simon Freyou, 106th

MedCo; General Thompson, 106th Med Co; Jesse Perry, HC, 256th Inf Bde; and Michael St. Cyr, Co C, 205th Engr Bn. Kary Landry and Gabriel Walker are MSIV's and are candidates for commissioning in May 1986.

In January 1986, Jacques LeBlanc, CoE, 3/156, and Russell Spencer, HC, 2/156 are scheduled to enroll. The Military Science classes are taught each Thursday afternoon during the college term from 2-5 p.m. for three credits each at the USAR Center in Lafayette. Cadets also participate in scheduled leadership laboratories and attend the six-week ROTC Advanced Camp, normally between their junior and senior years and are

members of a Troop Program Unit of the ARNG or USAR.

Membership in the ROTC program is permitted through the Simultaneous Membership Program (SMP). Each cadet drills with his/her unit as an E-5 in an officer trainee status. In addition, ROTC pays the cadet \$1,000.00 for ten months during each of the two years and \$600.00 for advanced camp.

For further information on this excellent opportunity, interested personnel should contact their respective unit technician for qualification details and Major James Nelson, SMP Coordinator, McNeese ROTC at (318) 437-5385.

LAARNG Officer Candidate School Eligibility Criteria Class #27 (1986-87)

Age:

- a. Minimum age: 18 years of age prior to appointment as a 2LT.
- b. Maximum age: 30 years of age (waiver may be granted by NGB to 32 years and 6 months) prior to completion of OCS and appointment as 2LT.

Citizenship:

- a. Achieve a GT Score of 110 or higher.
- b. Achieve a score of 90 or higher in Subtest 2 of the Officer Selection Battery (OSB).

Education:

- a. Have demonstrated understanding and proficiency in the English language.
- b. High school graduate or GED. Applicant will be required to have at least 40 credit college hours prior to appointment as 2LT.

Character:

- a. Applicant must be of good moral character.

Leadership:

- a. Applicant must possess qualification as potential leaders and have the ability to deal effectively with people.

Medical:

- a. Medical requirements are prescribed in NGR 40-501 and AR 40-501.

Security Check:

- a. Must be eligible for a SECRET security clearance.

Physical Fitness:

- a. Applicant must successfully pass the ARPT (Army Physical Readiness Test) before graduation. Applicant must attain a minimum score of 180 on the APRT as prescribed by FM 21-20.

Grade:

- a. Applicant must be in pay grade E6 or higher before attending ARNG OCS. Enlisted personnel below this grade will be promoted to pay grade E6 under the provision of NGB 600-100.

Military Training:

- Applicant must complete one of the following:
- a. One year of active duty with any of the components of the Armed Forces (to include completion of BT and AIT).
 - b. One year service in the Army National Guard or any Reserve Component (to include completion of BT and AIT). As an exception, individuals enlisted for the purpose of participation in the College Student Army National Guard Officer Program (CSOP) may enroll in the ARNG OCS upon completion of BT.
 - c. Completion of BT and AIT, plus graduation from an accredited college or university with a baccalaureate or higher degree.

Application:

- a. NGB Form 64.
- b. Legible copy of birth certificate.
- c. Evidence of education level. (High school diploma and college transcript).
- d. Statement of Unit Commander (Appendix A, LAARNG Reg 351-5).
- e. SF 88 and 93.
- f. Copy of DA Form 873 - SECRET clearance, or copy of DD Form 1584, National Agency Check request.
- g. Copy of all individual DD Form 241's.
- h. Information copy of request for additional clothing (DA Form 3078 or DA Form 2765) as authorized by NGR 351-5 and CTA 50-900.
- i. Request for waiver, if applicable, will be submitted through channels to LANG-DPA-0.

Note:

Application for attendance at the LAARNG OCS Class #27 must be submitted so as to not arrive at Bennett Hall, Bldg. 305, Camp Beauregard, Pineville, La 71360-3737, not later than 1 June 1986.

Course:

The 1986-87 class will begin 12-13 July 1986 with an orientation weekend for new candidates at Camp Beauregard. The school year will officially begin with a MUTA-4 on 19-20 July 1986. Pay and attachment of candidates will be as follows:

- a. 12-13 July 1986: Units are to carry potential OCS candidates in a pay status (Split Training Status/ET). Parent units are to pay OC's for this MUTA.
- b. 19-20 July 1986: OCS candidates selected and accepted for OCS Class #27 will be attached to the LAMA on orders issued by HQ, LAARNG effective 18 July 1986. If applicant is below the grade/rank of E6, he will also be promoted by orders issued by HQ LAARNG effective 18 July 1986.
- c. The LAARNG OCS Program is conducted in three phases:
 - (1) Phase I: One MUTA-4 (19-20 July 1986) and fifteen day AT period (3-17 August 1986).
 - (2) Phase II: Twelve MUTA-4's (Sept. 86-July 87).
 - (3) Phase III: Fifteen day AT period (Aug. 87). Graduation and appointment as a 2LT is accomplished on the last day of AT (Aug. 87).



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Gatling intended to save lives

While doing last month's column about George Armstrong Custer and the Battle of Little Bighorn, I wondered to what extent would history have been changed if Custer had brought along several of the rapid firing Gatling Guns which were readily available.

They had been improved upon enough to be adopted by the United States Army as early as 1866. This was ten years before Custer embarked upon his hair raising campaign. Without a doubt, had the 7th Cavalry had but a few of the Gatlings, the course of battle would have been changed; therefore, American Western History would have been affected.

This is, of course, only an assumption on my part. What is not an assumption however, is that the Gatling itself did indeed change the history of warfare.

I feel certain that most of our "older readers" will remember the many motion pictures shot in the 1930's and 1940's having to do with "G" men and gangsters — or — action war stories. If you remember these sort of movies, I know you'll remember that somewhere in the flicker you heard the tough guy exclaim, "I'll blast him with my gat!" You knew, as everyone else in the theater knew, that "gat" was slang for gun or pistol. Perhaps you actually used the term yourself if you mimicked movie characters you saw at play. What you probably did not know, however, is that the slang expression came from the name Gatling, which belonged to a rather kindly, distinguished, peace-loving gentleman, by the name of Dr. Richard Jordan Gatling.

Dr. Gatling was a prosperous physician and surgeon from Indiana who lives in history not for what he did in the field of medical or surgical practice, but rather for his unique invention — the machine gun. The thing was in no way a "gat", but when this physician-inventor produced his rapid fire gun, the admiring public misconstrued its mechanical make up and talked excitedly about the "gat that Gatling invented." I supposed it could have come out the "gun that Gunling invented." At any rate, that's how the word "gat" came about.

Born on 12 September 1818, in Hertford County, North Carolina, Gatling grew up in



HISTORY HERALDRY AND MUSEUMS

By
F.E. THOMAS
COL (LA)



luxury. He really didn't have to practice medicine or invent anything — or — for that matter, even work for a living, because he was the son of an extremely wealthy cotton plantation owner who had a large colony of slaves. Rather than turning out to be the "proverbial indolent rich heir," Gatling proved to be a very industrious and mechanically minded individual. He was a third son, and more willing than his brothers to work in the field along with the slaves. He decided he could ease the burden on the slaves, and at the same time increase family profits by getting more cotton per acre. In this respect, he worked late into the evenings creating a cotton-seed sowing machine, and later a device to thin cotton plants.

By the age of 19, his father, pleased with his interest in family projects, sent him off to good schools. It was during this period that he became a very "righteous pacifist." He abhorred violence and war. Tiring of learning the right manners and charming speech to wow the ladies, he took a position as a teacher. All of his energies however, went to inventing various mechanical devices; one of these was his workable screw propeller for steam vessels. When Gatling went to have it patented, he discovered a man by the name of John Ericsson had already made a similar device and had it in limited use.

By 1845, Gatling was fast

becoming a wealthy man in his own right because of his inventions. He also completely changed his political philosophy by switching his sentiments to the Northern cause — and this was some 15 years before the War Between the States!

While doing research for this article, I found another interesting thing about Gatling. He once went on a river steamer trip from Cincinnati to Pittsburg, and during this trip he came down with smallpox, and nearly died aboard ship. As the steamer touched ports, Gatling tried to get doctors to come aboard to minister to him but they refused to do so. (Does this sound a little familiar?) This caused Gatling to decide that he would become a medical doctor so he could take care of himself. He acquired his medical degree from the Medical College of Ohio, but did not practice during his entire

lifetime. He went back to his drawing board and machine shop where he created a hemp-breaking machine, and in 1857, a steam plow.

As the War Between the States broke out, Gatling was distressed as he kept reading of the terrible death toll on both sides. It was at this point in his life that he decided he would try to invent a master war weapon — an "instrument" that no sane man or leader would dare challenge. In an 1861 letter to a close friend he wrote, "During the opening events of the war, I witnessed almost daily departures of troops to the front and the return of the wounded, sick and dead. It occurred to me if I could invent a machine — a gun — which could, by its rapidity of fire, enable one man to a great extent, supersede the necessity of large armies, and consequently, exposure to battle and disease would be greatly diminished."

By early 1862, Gatling had



made his gun and worked with it until the winter of that same year. When he demonstrated it to skeptical military men who had always scoffed at the whole idea of a "rapid fire weapon," they, as well as other witnesses were astonished. His "pioneer" model fired 350 shots per minute, which was an incredible feat at that time in history. His basic design combined a cluster of breech-loading rifle barrels, all mounted parallel to a central shaft, so that each barrel went into position and fired as the entire cluster revolved. This early model required two men to operate it. One fed the cartridges into a "hopper" on the top of the gun, and the other turned a crank which rotated the barrels.

A few military men encouraged Gatling to speed up the manufacture of his weapon; but just after he built six of the guns, the factory making them burned down. Undaunted, it was that very same year, 1863, that Gatling got patent number 36,836 for his gun. It is more than likely that it was the world's most important invention of the decade. He went on to obtain a second patent in May 1865 for an "improved gun" and had the Cooper Firearms Manufacturing Company of Philadelphia produce them; after which, he submitted 12 models to the United States Army for evaluation and use. Gatling designed his guns in many diverse chamberings, including .58 caliber rimfire; 1.00 caliber; .50 caliber; and the .45/70. (Each 1.00 round was loaded as "cannister" or "buck shot.")

The Chief of Ordnance for the Union Army felt they had little use for the weapon and refused them. (Sounds familiar?) However, General B.F. Butler had heard about this revolutionary new weapon and he wanted to lay his hands on a few. In the meantime, Gatling had also written to President Lincoln, telling him that he had developed a gun which could "change the course of the war." General Butler procured the entire 12 guns which the army had been testing and used them with great success in his James River Campaign. He immediately realized their value in "mowing down the enemy"; however, by the time other union generals got acquainted with the Gatling Gun, the war had ended.

In 1866, the U.S. Army of-

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"The general public doesn't realize the effects of interest rates," according to Mark Rosa, Manager of Selago Credit Union, especially the advertisements made by the automobile dealers.

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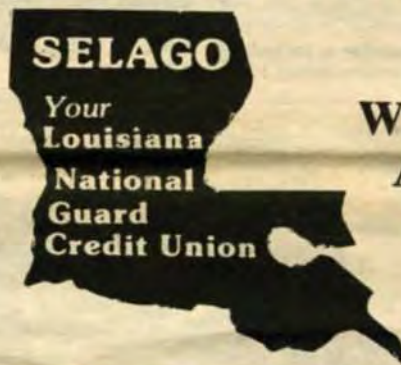
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EYES RIGHT — shouts battery commander as the battery passes in review during 1/141 Artillery's 147th annual review in February.

Though threatened with bad weather a day earlier, sunny skies provided a perfect setting for the 1/141 Washington Artillery's 147th annual review, held Feb. 23 at Jackson Barracks.

Awards and accolades were given at the ceremony, which climaxed with a pass-in-review by the artillery battalion troops.

Awarded the Col. Edward P. Benezech trophy for Outstanding Senior Soldier was Sgt. 1st Class Patrick O'Shea. Earning the Col. Numa P. Avendano Award for Outstanding Junior Soldier was Sgt. Joseph Adams.

During the unit's formal banquet on the eve of the review, other soldiers of the Washington Artillery were honored.

Battalion Commander Lt. Col. Urban B. Martinez, Jr. awarded a sabre to Capt. Thomas Acosta in recognition for his new command of A Battery. Martinez also gave the continuous fire streamer to the outstanding firing battery C Battery, commanded by Capt. Tommy Hancock. C Battery was also named the outstanding Battery for having the highest combat readiness.

Earning the Fulltime Unit Personnel Awards were Sgt. Paul Meynard (HHB) Administration; Staff Sgt. Robert Butler (B BTRY) 13B; Sgt. Lloyd Alombro (A BTRY) 13E; Sgt. 1st Class Harold Butler (HHB) 13F; Staff Sgt. Tommy West (A BTRY) Maintenance; Staff Sgt. David Burkhardt (SVC BTRY) Supply; and Staff Sgt. Pat Wellmeyer, NBC.

Recognized with Outstanding Soldier in career management fields 13B, 13E and 13F Weekend Personnel Awards were Spec. 4 Brian L. Eckberg (B BTRY) 13B; Spec. 4 Edward Evans (HHB) 13E and Spec. 4 Daniel Calhoun (HHB) 13F.

Martinez presented "U" Plus awards to Staff Sgt. David Burkhardt and Staff Sgt. Pat Wellmeyer.

Army Achievement Medals went to 1st Lt. Alton Blancher, Officer Candidate Daniel Goodman and Sgt. Paul Meynard of HHB; Staff Sgt. Robert Seaton and Sgt. Chester Henson of A Battery; Sgt. 1st Class Paul Addison, Staff Sgt. Robert Butler, Sgt. Clavin Millet and Spec. 4 Brian Eckberg of B Battery and 1st Sgt. James Tolliver



MEMORIAL SALUTE — to right) WAVA members Washington Artillery National Guardsmen and Washington Artillery Veterans Association members paused recently to pay tribute to deceased soldiers of the battalion. Presenting wreaths were (left



MONUMENT — Washington Artillery soldiers got together before their annual review to pay tribute to the unit in a wreath laying ceremony at the unit's monu-

ment in Metairie Cemetery. Here, Capt. Steven Wilson, Capt. Earl P. Santos and Maj. Glenn M. Appe relax before the ceremony. (Guard photo by 1st Lt. Eric P. Jensen)

147th annual review

and Sgt. 1st Class Victor Clark of C Battery. Army Commendation Medals were awarded to Lt. Jules Ed-

wards, 1st Lt. Alton Blancher, Sgt. 1st Class Harold Butler, Sgt. Harold Washington, Sgt. Oliver White and Sgt. Lloyd

Alombro. The Meritorious Service Medal was awarded to Master Sgt. James Strackbein.



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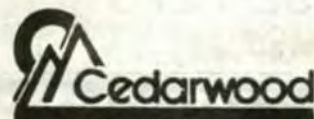
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Dr. Gatling's Gun

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ficially adopted this remarkable gun, and asked for a total of 100. These were made by Colt Patent Firearms Mfg. Co. at Hartford, Connecticut, and were a much improved weapon, firing 1,200 rounds per minute. They were mounted on light artillery carriages. During the same year, Gatling sold his patent rights to Colt, but traveled to Europe and South America, conducting tests of his gun for military officials. Some twenty years after Gatling's gun was adopted by the U.S. Army, he was still perfecting it by using new gun-metal alloys of steel and aluminum, which further improved the weapon considerably.

About the same time, 1886, he wanted to get into large gun castings. He felt he could build a tremendous weapon capable of multiple firings and got congress to cough up \$40,000 for experiments in 1887. He built an eight inch gun, but in its trials at Sandy Hook on 4 January 1899, the gun blew up. Gatling was more angered than he was disappointed. He made public statements and announcements that somehow his gun had been sabotaged during manufacture. He also claimed that the breech had been tampered with before the test.

Gatling was now 80 years old, (1897) and was a self-made millionaire because of his farm inventions; one of the last being a motor driven plow he did in 1900. He was given the honor of the Presidency of the American Association of Inventors and Manufacturers, and retained the presidency for 6 years. Honors were heaped on him not only by the United States, but also the foreign nations where he demonstrated his gun. By then, the weapon had become international. Historians believe his machine gun would have become a world wide weapon no matter what he might have done to keep in in the United States.

Gatling wanted to create a dangerous weapon and conceived and produced his unusual gun because he had faith in its lethal ability to mow down large numbers. Because of this, he thought that the size of armies would be reduced or curtailed, and "planned battles cancelled". He figured that many lives would be saved; because he reasoned — "no military commander would dare send his men to face the withering fire of this machine gun." How wrong he was!! I could name at least 100 military commanders who . . . better let

that alone. Gatling's goal was to force peace upon "warring factions" and to prevent conflict by threatening to supply his gun to a trusted peace enforcement group; sort of like the U.N. Forces — and you know how well that worked! (Of course, they have never been given the Gatling!) Had the old boy been able to see into the future, he would have really been spooked; his invention was destined to kill more people on the battlefield than any other weapon yet invented. Military Historians claim his gun changed the course of warfare.

Gatling died in New York city on 26 February 1903, of the flu. His philosophy, that his machine guns were truly meant to prevent wars did not waver, and he carried these thoughts to his grave.

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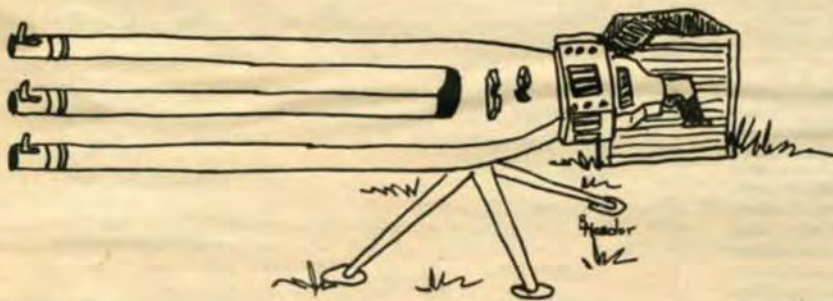
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Testing to begin during April drill

By Colonel Maxime J. Montz, Jr.

On 14 Feb. 86, the National Guard Bureau informed Adjutants General and commanders that an ANG-wide drug testing program was to be implemented in April 1986. The following specific provisions were announced:

a. Each State will test, through urinalysis, no less than one percent and no more than two percent of their assigned personnel each month. Quotas will not be carried over from month to month. Urinalysis testing under these guidelines will be random only.

b. The provisions of AFR 160-23, Drug Abuse Testing Program, relating to urinalysis testing and proper handling of the specimens will be followed.

c. Each medical unit will receive base sample numbers from the Air Force Drug Testing Laboratory, Brooks AFB, TX, prior to 1 Apr. 86.

d. The ANG has no plans to implement drug rehabilitation programs.

e. A positive result on a urinalysis test will be grounds for discharge. Officers will be processed IAW ANGR 36-014, Administrative Discharge of Officers of the ANGUS for Unfitness, Unacceptable Conduct, in the Interest of National Security, and Substandard Performance of Duty. Enlisted personnel will be processed in accordance with ANGR 39-10, Separation, paragraph 12x, which provides for the separation of enlisted members for any reason specified by the Chief, National Guard Bureau.

f. ANGR 30-2, Social Actions Program, has been rewritten and scheduled for publication in the near future. It will contain details of required social actions support of the ANG drug testing program.

Drug abuse is receiving a great deal of attention in the national and local news media. Recently, the commissioners of professional basketball and professional baseball announced steps they were taking to curb drug abuse in their respective sports. Later this month, Commissioner Pete Roselle will announce how the National Football League will deal with the problem. Unlike professional sports and the active components of the armed forces, the ANG will not

have rehabilitation as part of its drug program. The reason for this is not because the ANG is less enlightened, its because the ANG cannot adequately insure an individual will effectively participate in a rehabilitation program during the days of the month he or she is not on ANG duty.

The Air National Guard needs a drug testing program which identifies and separates drug users. Why? Because drug abusers present an unacceptable risk to the efficiency, safety, morale, and readiness of our people and our units. The nature of our work demands that everyone be capable of carrying out his or her assigned duties at all times, oftentimes under stressful circumstances, perhaps, in an unfavorable environment. We must be able to count on everyone being clear minded and physically fit. In addition, it should be apparent to everyone that a military member who is dependent upon drugs is a tremendous security risk.

It would be ideal if no member of the Louisiana Air National Guard was involved with illegal drugs. On the other hand, it would be imprudent to assume such an ideal situation actually exists. As discussed above, it is impractical to have a rehabilitation program. The best thing we can offer our members is information on how the ANG drug testing program will be administered and how they might be affected. Further information may be requested from Staff Sgt. Sheilia T. Dennis, our social actions technician for drug and alcohol abuse control. She may be reached on UTA weekends at 393-3701, or written requests may be forwarded to her at 159CSS/SL, LaANG, USNAS, New Orleans, LA 70143-5000.

You are sincerely urged to stay informed and to avoid the use of illegal drugs as if your future depends on it, because it does. If you've read the information provided above carefully, you know the first positive test results in separation from the Air National Guard. There is no such thing as a second chance. Please don't put yourself in the position of needing one. Experimenter or abuser, doing illegal drugs is a career ending move.

COMMAND NOTES

ANG Topics from
Headquarters
Louisiana Air
National Guard



By BG James J. Hourin
Commander, La ANG

Drug tests mean business

During your April UTA and during each UTA thereafter, drug tests will be given to unit members selected at random. Furthermore, drug testing will continue to be administered whenever a member is involved in a vehicle accident or other conduct which indicates drug use. There will not be a drug rehabilitation program in the National Guard.

More detailed information on the ANG Drug Testing Program is included in another article in this publication.

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY! This program is not a

"witch hunt." It has no punitive intent however punitive its outcome may seem to an individual who tests positive. The intent is solely to preclude the unacceptable results of drug abuse on the efficiency, safety, morale, and readiness of the National Guard.

I sincerely hope that we never find a positive test. You may be interested to know that initial testing will be positive for up to three weeks after use of marijuana and that other tests can detect its prior use for up to six months. Modern tests can also detect the use of a

broad spectrum of drugs other than marijuana. Use of such substances as cocaine, opiates, amphetamines, barbiturates and others can be detected. **I IMPLORE EACH OF YOU TO TAKE THIS NOTICE SERIOUSLY.** Assume that you will be one of those who are randomly sampled. Don't use drugs. Don't test positive. It breaks my heart to see the future of a talented, promising young man or woman ruined needlessly because of the use of drugs.

Please don't let it happen to you. Please don't use drugs.

NCO discharge drug related

Randolph AFB, Texas (AFNS) — An Air Training Command non-commissioned officer has been discharged three years short of retirement for not reporting several instances of marijuana use by fellow airmen.

The technical sergeant received an administrative discharge after serving 17 years in the Air Force. Officials at Randolph AFB said investigations revealed the NCO had witnessed several airmen from his squadron smoking marijuana on at least

10 occasions at a home the sergeant was sharing with a friend.

According to officials, the sergeant said he did not turn the airmen in because he considered himself a guest in the home. However, the Air Force argued that NCOs have a high responsibility to enforce the law against drug abuse. And, because of the NCO's rank, the Air Force contended he was an involuntary conspirator rather than an innocent bystander.

Air Force also argued that

the sergeant lacked strong leadership qualities by not taking actions, and showing his mercy would signal that the Air Force is not serious about drug enforcement.

"The Air Force is taking a hard stand on cases like this," said Chief Master Sgt. Harold G. Schuster, Chief of ATC's Personnel Quality Control Branch. "We all know the Air Force doesn't tolerate drug abuse, but this case shows tolerating abuse by others may also lead to involuntary separation," the Chief said.

Are you putting me on?



Louisiana Guardsman named Airman of the Year



SrA. Boudreaux

By Maj. Barry Zander
159th Tac Ftr Gp

Senior Airman James M. Boudreaux, a member of the 236th Combat Information Systems Squadron (CISS) of the Louisiana Air National Guard, has been named Air National Guard Airman of the Year and joins seven other Guardsmen in Air Force Airman of the Year competition.

Boudreaux was selected based on his superior performance, and outstanding professional skill, knowledge and leadership, which has helped him succeed as a ground radio communications specialist in the 236th CISS, headquartered in Hammond, La., according

to Lt. Col. Rufus L. Warren, detachment commander.

Col. Warren noted that Boudreaux recently increased the communications ability of the unit through his ingenuity, at a minimal cost to the Air Force. Boudreaux has been responsible for cutting operational Air Guard and Air Force costs by streamlining procedures.

In addition to his work with the Air Guard, Boudreaux is a member of the Ozone Amateur Radio Club in his hometown of Slidell, La., where he volunteers his time and skills in emergencies to assist the American Red Cross, the Air National Guard and others during natural disasters in the

Louisiana area.

He holds various Federal Communications Commission licenses and instructs others interested in becoming radio operators.

Boudreaux has achieved an outstanding scholastic record, including being named an honor graduate at basic Air Force training, attaining a 99.3 average at Ground Radio Electronics Technical School, and graduating with a 100 percent average from follow-on technical school.

The Hammon Guardsman is working toward a degree in engineering. He has been a member of the University of New Orleans Wind Ensemble

and Symphonic Orchestra and the Good News youth guitar group. He plays bassoon, tenor saxophone, bass guitar and clarinet.

As a member of the Tip, Ring and Sleeve Orchestra, he provides music for senior citizens groups and a home for retarded girls.

In addition to being named Airman of the Year, Boudreaux has been selected as Louisiana's Outstanding Airman for 1985 and is recipient of the Louisiana Cross of Merit. He has also been nominated for the Air Force Commendation Medal in recognition of his efforts during Hurricane Elena.

214th EIS selected for achievement award

The 214th Engineering Installation Squadron of the Louisiana Air National Guard (ANG) was selected as the recipient of the Engineering Installation Division (EID) Commander's Achievement Award for 1985.

The award signifies the top achiever among the 19 ANG Squadrons throughout the United States. This prestigious honor was based on the complexity of mission accomplishment, management of resources, initiative and innovation employed, difficult conditions, and system reliability.

Some of the units outstanding accomplishments were;

being rated as Excellent during its 1985 Management Effectiveness Inspection. It was the first time in eight years that an Air National Guard EI unit had received such a high inspection rating.

The 214th accomplished 22,224 hours of communications engineering installation work. This productivity represented a 24% increase over 1984 accomplishments. It not only provided excellent training to unit members, but also saved the United States Air Force, and other government agencies, hundreds of thousands of dollars. By renovating two transmitter and receiver sites for the

Federal Aviation Administration a \$150,000 savings was realized.

Receipt of this award allows the 214th to compete against all Air Force Communications

gained Air National Guard units for the AFCC Commander's Achievement Award.

Paretti gets Tibbetts trophy

By Maj. Harry Trosclair

Chief Master Sergeant August J. Paretti III was recently named the 1985 recipient of the Robert D. Tibbetts Memorial Trophy.

The award is presented each year to a member of the 214th Engineering Installation Squadron who has contributed the greatest effort toward the successful accomplishment of the squadron's mission.

Chief Paretti joined the

Louisiana Air National Guard in May of 1958 as an Airman Basic and was assigned to the Cable Splicing section of the 214th EIS. He has served continuously with the 214th and brings tremendous communications expertise to his present assignment of Production Controller. He is employed by the Air Guard as an Engineering Supervisory Technician for the 214th EIS.

During the past year Chief Paretti was personally responsible for controlling electronic

installation projects worldwide for over one hundred squadron members. He has also done an exceptional job of managing team chief development and standard installation practices training for the entire squadron.

Chief Paretti is married to Sondra Polo and the father of three sons, Scott, Gregg and Shawn. Gregg is a member of the 214th EIS also and has just completed the Ground Radio Repairman course at Keesler AFB, Mississippi.

New telephones to be installed

Members of the 214th Electronic Installation Squadron prepare to install new cable for additional telephone lines in the Security Police building at the Air National Guard facility in Belle Chasse. The work is being done as part of the overall conversion process for the F-15 Eagle. (LaANG photo by MSgt. Ken Barlow).



Louisiana Air National Guard

Recruiters' reports, promotions, retirements, awards, and re-ups

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Michael D. Riley
Craig L. Warren

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Richard S. Voyles

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Martin E. Ben, Jr.
George H. Gemmill, Jr.

122 TACTICAL FIGHTER SQUADRON

Kevin E. Triggs

159 INFORMATION SYSTEM FLIGHT

Michael Crouch

214 ENGINEERING INSTALLATION SQUADRON

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Ernest J. Bemland, Jr.
Oscar Ortiz
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236 COMBAT INFORMATION SYSTEMS SQUADRON

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Daryl T. Brown
James P. Larrieu
Pamela A. Perrel
Richard D. Pemiclaro
Carey D. Williams

PROMOTIONS

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TO CMS

Wibur M. Reeb, Hqs

TO MSG

Nathaniel A. Cooper, 159CAMS
Larry L. Roby, 159 CAMS

TO TSG

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Donald A. Beck, 236CISS
Ulysses N. Case, III, 159CAMS
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Timothy D. Hotard, 159CAMS
Jodie B. McIntyre, 236CISS
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Lettitia M. Walker, 159CSS

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Budget cuts may close armories State-wide

(Reprinted from the Daily Iberian)

Armories in New Iberia, Jeanerette and Breaux Bridge are among 24 armories in the state that could be closed for all but four days a month if proposed budget cuts are implemented by the state legislature, according to Brig. Gen. Joseph Martin, Assistant Adjutant General, Army.

They would be open only for monthly training exercises, no club meetings, parties or wedding receptions. The Abbeville Armory, the area's battalion headquarters, would remain open.

The proposed cuts will save an estimated \$908,103 a year.

"THE CUTS WILL have a definite adverse effect on the readiness of the guard," Martin says. "All of the equipment will be at the armory, and the armory is going to be closed. Hopefully, it won't hurt our ability to react to emergencies."

The Guard proposed a \$6.8 million budget for 1986-87, including \$3 million for 25 percent matching funds for

federal contracts. The remaining money is subject to the 22 percent cut ordered by Gov. Edwin Edwards. The state legislature will have the final say on the cuts.

The plan to close the armories was the biggest portion of the National Guard's response.

THE GUARD currently has more than 11,500 men and women enlisted. The cuts would mean that 20 percent would be cut from salaries of the guard's 88 state employees, either by shortening the work week or by laying off 18 workers.

Also, utility use would be curtailed, long distance telephone calls would be eliminated except in emergencies, and the number of cards would be cut back.

Closing the armories will have the biggest effect on the guard, Martin says.

Equipment would be main-

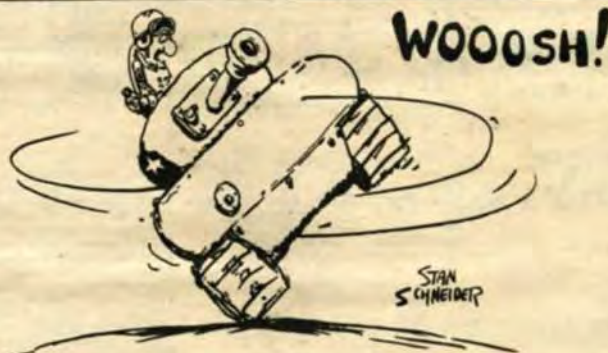
tained only four days a month — one day before training begins, the weekend during training and one day after training. The federal employees currently stationed at the New Iberia, Jeanerette and Breaux Bridge armories would commute to the Abbeville Armory.

The cuts also could hurt efforts to recruit and retain enlistees, Martin says.

Cuts in the 1985-86 budget meant that state employees were laid off, the veteran's funeral honor guard was eliminated, and the maintenance program and uniform

allowances for officers were reduced.

"We've been cutting and cutting," Martin says. "And then this one came along, and there wasn't much left to cut. We're just got to take our licks, just like everybody else."



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Management conference at Beauregard

By Maj. David O. Miller
241st Pub Aff Det Commander

Camp Beauregard was the site of a commanders/staff management conference held 28 Feb.-2 March. The conference was attended by over 150 Louisiana National Guard personnel who received briefings on a wide range of management policies and procedures.

Major General Edward L. Trobaugh, Deputy Commanding General, 5th U.S. Army kicked off the conference by re-emphasizing LANG's 1986 goal of "Commitment to Excellence" as declared by the Adjutant General, Major General Ansel M. Stroud, Jr.

"Your 'Commitment to Excellence', Gen. Trobaugh said, "will make good soldiers out of ordinary citizens. In order to achieve this excellence, we must create a bonding effect of teamwork. This teamwork bonding is the most precious combat multiplier we can obtain," he said.

Gen. Trobaugh explained that factors that help create this bonding effect includes MOS qualifications, physical training, retention, team training, and integrity.

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