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LAARNG 1991 Goals "Common Sense"

- I. Maintain a zero reportable accident rate and reduce accident mishaps.
 - II. Develop and implement a LAARNG Health Promotion Plan.
 - III. Provide a climate for equal opportunity and fair treatment in the LAARNG.
 - IV. Improve the appearance and conditions, protect the environment, and enhance the energy conservation program at facilities.
 - V. All units participate in the Louisiana Army Communities of Excellence Program.
 - VI. Obtain a rating of C-1 in the Personnel and Training Readiness categories of the USR.
 - VII. All units meet the prerequisites of the Superior Unit award.
 - VIII. Conduct a complete and accurate LES review each month and increase sure-pay participation to 75 percent during FY 91.
 - IX. All units maintain a minimum of 95 percent IDT attendance rate and an AWOL rate of one percent or less.
 - X. All units meet the retention standards of 75 percent extension rate and one percent or less non-ETS loss rate.
 - XI. Ensure each soldier meets the requirements for promotion. All enlisted soldiers obtain a high school diploma or equivalent.
 - XII. All companies and detachments have assigned a certified unit movement officer.
 - XIII. Conduct, to specific standards, 100 percent of scheduled MOBEXs.
 - XIV. Achieve 92 percent of Equipment Readiness Code (ERC) "A" items mission capable.
 - XV. Conduct to specific standards 100 percent of required inventories.
 - XVI. Each unit identify and complete at least one approved volunteer civic project.
 - XVII. Continue support programs to expand and improve the Jackson Barracks Military Museum.
- The Louisiana National Guard - An Army Community of Excellence.

The Louisiana National Guard An Army of Community Excellence

Correction:

OOPS! In the May/June issue of the Louisiana Guardsman we stated that COL Robert Landry had been elected Vice President, Air, for the National Guard Association of Louisiana. The correct name is Col Robert J. Guidry. We apologize to COL Guidry — Editor

Front Cover

A soldier engages in chemical training during the Louisiana Maneuvers that occurred in Central Louisiana during 1940-1942. (National Archives)(see pages 8 and 9)

Louisiana Guardsman
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Indicators of Drug Abuse

INDICATORS OF DRUG ABUSE

It is important to recognize the symptoms and signs of drug abuse at an early stage. Many potential drug abusers can be led back to a productive and successful life style if their involvement in the drug cult is detected in its early stages.

The following is an outline of some of the more common and obvious indicators of drug use. It is highly possible for some of these symptoms to exist in a non-user. A parent should exercise caution, having some degree of certainty, before confronting a child with their suspicions.

COMMON SYMPTOMS OF DRUG ABUSE

- Changes in behavior and character.
- Sudden loss of interest in normal activities.
- Dropping grades/poor school attendance.
- New groups of friends.
- Unexplained absences of long duration.
- Poor physical appearance.
- Wearing sunglasses at unseemly times, concealing red eyes or dilated pupils.
- Pro-Drug reading materials, posters, T-shirts, belt buckles, etc.
- Be watchful of children coming home from an evening out and going straight to their room. They may have been drinking, "or worse!"

WHAT TO LOOK FOR MARIJUANA

- Greenish-brown dried plant material in plastic bags or small containers.
- Paraphernalia - Rolling papers, water pipes, roach clips.
- Small dark seeds, stems. Look in ashtrays and pocket linings.
- Excessive reddening of the eyes - an increased hunger.
- Odor of burnt leaves on clothing.
- Small holes or burns on shirts.

INHALANTS

- Empty glue or spray cans.
- Bags or rags with dry paint, glue, etc., in or on them.
- Dried paint or glue on clothes.
- Running nose and red eyes.
- Unpleasant, chemical breath.
- Increased coughing and salivation.

STIMULANTS

(COCAINE, SPEED, CRACK, CRYSTAL, ICE, ETC.)

- Users become talkative, restless, excited.
- Stimulants may cause user to perspire excessively.
- Watch for various shapes and colors of tablets or capsules.
- Hypodermic needles, cotton balls, spoons, can mean heavy abuse.
- Small packets of a white powdered substances.
- Mirrors, short straws, single edge razor blades, may indicate cocaine use.
- User may chain smoke.
- Goes long periods without eating or sleeping.

DEPRESSANTS

(DOWNERS, VALIUM, LIBRIUM, ETC.)

- User may act as if drunk, with no noticeable smell of alcohol.
- User may exhibit slurred speech, staggering and slowed reactions.
- Strong body odor may be present on person and clothing.
- Watch for pills in various shapes and colors.

OPIATES

(HEROIN, MORPHINE, CODIENE, ETC.)

- Small packets of powder.
- Hypodermic syringes, spoons, etc., used for injection.
- Small spots of blood on shirt sleeves, clothes, etc.
- Contracted pupils, bruises or scars along veins.
- Belts or straps used for tourniquets.
- Users appear very sleepy (nod), drowsy, lethargic.

HALLUCINOGENS

(PCP, LSD, ECSTASY, ETC.)

- Users sit or recline quietly in a dream or trance-like state.
- User may become fearful and experience terror.
- Pupils become very large.
- While high, a user may "rush" or shudder.

Chief of Staff Hotline 1-800-233-6796

1090th Trans Det Deploys to Saudi Arabia

By CPT Eugene L. Barattini

On 27 August 1990 the first Louisiana Army National Guard unit was mobilized to participate in Operation Desert Shield. The 11 members of the 1090th Transportation Detachment under the command of SGT Gregory Martin conducted home station activities such as showdown inspections, personnel records reviews, and loaded organic equipment. At the time of the initial call-up, the unit was told only that it was to report to Fort Polk, its assigned mobilization station. At 1100 hrs, 29 August 1990, the 1090th Trans Det departed from Camp Beauregard for Fort Polk. Arriving at Fort Polk, the unit conducted extensive NBC and individual weapons training for possible deployment OCONUS. Presently the 1090th Transportation Detachment has deployed to Saudi Arabia to participate in Desert Shield. Somewhere under the Persian Gulf sun stands the first Louisiana Army National Guard members called to Active Federal service to meet the National Security requirements of our nation in over 20 years.



Members of the 1090th Transportation Detachments (not in order) SPC Tasha R. Briggs, PFC James M. Broddtman, SPC Charles M. Landry, SGT Gregory D. Martin, PFC Joseph C. Martin, PFC Chadwick A. Melder, PV2 John C. Miller, PFC Rachel D. Smith, SPC Scott E. Sullivan, SPC Talton D. Frickey. (241st PAD Photo)

Update . . .

Editor's Note: As of the date this paper went to press, three other units are on alert for the Persian Gulf Crisis. They are the 1083d Transportation Company, Jonesville; 1086th Transportation Company, Jena; and Detachment 1, 1086th Transportation Company, Camp Beauregard.

Louisiana Guardsmen Get Heroes' Departure

By CPT Eugene Barattini



The 1090th gets a hero's departure from the community of Cp Beauregard when they pulled out of home station and headed for their mobilization station at Fort Polk, LA. (Photo by SSG Adrian M. Lamkin, 241st PAD Staff)

Like a Steven Spielberg movie script the departure of the 1090th Transportation Detachment was comprised of color, music, spirit, flags, children, and tears. On the 29th of August 1990 at approximately 1100hrs the entire Camp Beauregard Military Community and surrounding Pineville residents joined the families of the departing soldiers to say good-bye to the Louisiana Guardsmen heading for the unknown.

Assembling near the Camp Beauregard main gate, local Fire Departments hook and ladder trucks created a "Honor Arch" for the unit convoy to parade through. From the center of the arch hung a large yellow ribbon and an American Flag. As the 1090th Transportation Detachment rolled past CSMS on Camp Beauregard heading

towards the gate, a local high school band played appropriate music. Once the convoy reached the main gate the crowd of almost 1,000 people saluted or held their hand over their hearts as the national anthem was played.

Speaking to the troops MG A.M. Stroud and Sen Johnston expressed their pride in the LAARNG members and the need for continual support of our men and women in uniform. As the convoy re-assembled and the flags waved in the wind, there came a sense that the Desert Shield Operations had finally come to the Louisiana Army National Guard. One by-stander noted that if a military member must be called to serve his country and leave his family then this patriotic send off is the way he hoped the rest of the country did it.

The Louisiana Army National Guard family takes great pride in the men and women called "Louisiana Guardsmen."

If you wish to write to the servicemen currently in the desert or aboard ships write to:

(Desert)

Any Service Member
Operation Desert Shield
APO New York, 09848-0006

(Ships)

Any Service Member
Operation Desert Shield
FPO New York, 09866-0006

From Cookies to Clothing, The U.S. Mail Gets Through

SAUDI ARABIA (ARNEWS) — Each day the Army postal system delivers more than 100,000 pieces of mail to soldiers deployed on Operation Desert Shield.

From cookies to clothing, junk food to photos of a newborn baby, everything gets to the soldier the same way—through the Army Post Office.

"It's a huge, complex system at work

here," says MAJ Willie Newson "and it's working well." Newson is the theater Army postal officer.

The flow of mail into Saudi Arabia has risen steadily since the operation began. "In 10 days, I saw it jump from two-and-a-half tons per day to four-and-a-half tons per day, and there seems to be no end in sight," says COL Courtney Starbird. As Central Command adjutant,

Starbird is responsible for making sure deployed soldiers get their mail.

Recent media reports have charged that soldiers are not getting their mail. Starbird defends his staff, saying that they are working long hours and operating 24 hours a day. "It is our policy not to leave at night or at the end of a shift until the work is done."

The goal of the APO, says Starbird, is to get the mail from "Anywhere USA" to the soldiers in 10 days. Currently, the average delivery time is five to six days, Starbird says, although it may take a couple of weeks for newly arrived soldiers to receive their first mail.

The military postal staff in Saudi

Arabia has grown with the rising volume of mail. The 129th Postal Company from Fort Bragg, NC was deployed to augment an Air Force postal team that was in Saudi Arabia before the operation. Additional help soon followed from the 1241st Postal Company of the Alabama Army National Guard in Birmingham.

With the recent relaxing of restrictions on size and weight, Starbird says he expects to see a considerable increase in the amount of mail. "The care packages are coming," he says.

(Compiled from information provided by SPC Kevin Hudson, 14th Public Affairs Detachment.)

Toll-free Numbers for Families

WASHINGTON (ARNEWS) — False information or no information about loved ones overseas is among the enemies facing families of soldiers deployed to Desert Shield.

There's already been one reported case of persons posing as military representatives visiting a family of a deployed soldier and giving the family false information about their relative.

To help families deal with such threats to their peace of mind, the Army established toll-free telephone numbers that concerned family members may call for correct information about soldiers deployed to the Middle East. The numbers may also be called for

assistance to help minimize the effects of the deployment and make it easier to cope with the separation.

Those numbers are:

—1-800-542-9524, at the Army Community and Family Support Center in Alexandria, VA. It's staffed 24 hours a day.

—1-800-833-6222, at HQDA's Family Liaison office. It operates from 7:30 a.m. - 5 p.m. Eastern time. Family members may also receive a free booklet, "The Family Support Contacts Telephone Guide," by calling this number. The booklet contains phone numbers that will help family members locate the nearest family support facility in their state.

Promotion Procedures

WASHINGTON (ARNEWS) — Promotion procedures for reserve component soldiers called up for Operation Desert Shield have been clarified.

In a recent message to the field, the Army's personnel chief at the Pentagon said that because of federalization of Guard units some of the original regulatory guidance may at times have come into conflict.

To rule out such conflict in the future, the message provides the following clarification:

— Enlisted soldiers in the Army National Guard and Army Reserve who are ordered to active duty will continue to be promoted under provisions of AR 140-158 or under Chapter 6 of NG

Regulation 600-200.

— Those Guard and Reserve enlisted soldiers involuntarily ordered to active duty under the presidential call-up or who are serving voluntarily on "temporary tour, active duty" will retain promotion consideration under the provisions of AR 140-158 and NG Regulation 600-200.

— Reserve component officers will remain under the reserve promotion system covered by AR 135-155, Chapter 8 of NGR 600-100 and Chapter 7 of NGR 600-101.

The message says that "If the period of deployment becomes extensive, we will re-examine the instructions contained herein and provide further guidance."

Free Fax to the Desert

Washington (ARNEWS) — Families and friends of servicemembers in the Middle East for Operation Desert Shield can send free facsimile messages to their deployed loved ones via the American Telephone and Telegraph Co.

Called Desert Fax, the free, one-way facsimile service will be available at AT&T Phone Centers beginning Sept. 21, U.S. Central Command (Rear) officials announced Sept. 16.

To send a Desert Fax message, family members and friends must go to a Phone Center and complete a Desert Fax form, on which a message of up to three-fourths of a page may be written or typed. The form requires the recipient's

name, rank, Social Security number, unit and APO or FPO address. Once sent to the Middle East, the message is provided to the appropriate APO or FPO for delivery.

CENTCOM officials say AT&T will not accept Desert Fax messages without a valid APO or FPO and recipient Social Security number.

More than 400 AT&T Phone Centers are located in the continental United States. CENTCOM officials say Desert Fax senders can locate the nearest Phone Center by calling directory assistance.

(From a CENTCOM release.)

Reconsidering the Relief Act

Changes in the 50-year old law protecting mobilized military personnel are needed but should be done with caution, the Reserve Officers Association today told a joint hearing of the Congressional Veterans Affairs committees.

In remarks prepared for presentation to the committee, Maj. Gen. Evan L. Hultman, AUS (Ret.), ROA executive director, praised them for conducting the hearing on the Soldiers' and Sailors' Civil Relief Act of 1940 and veterans reemployment rights.

"While the ROA commands the committees for scheduling this hearing so quickly in response to the needs of those being called to active duty," Hultman said, "we would caution the committees that it is much too soon to be fully cognizant of any problem that reservists are encountering or will encounter. The association is aware of some problem areas, but our awareness is very limited."

He remarked that the need to consider the adequacy of the 1940 law was underscored by "the plethora of phone calls" received by his association before and after the President's August 22 call-up announcement. "In addition to an expected interest in the law, the calls reflected inadequacies and ambiguities," he added.

He said that updating the laws is necessary to prevent reservists from suffering unfair hardships in being called to active duty. Noting that reserve participation is critical to the military's

Total Force concept, Hultman emphasized, "Unless the problems and needs reservists encounter in being called to active duty are satisfactorily addressed, many can be expected to separate from the selected reserve and will not be available for future contingencies. We are addressing people issues and the success of the Total Force will depend greatly on how adequately these issues are resolved."

Hultman cited several areas of possible concern that affect persons suffering significant loss of income when mobilized. The law allows interest payments to be reduced to six percent a year and prevents eviction from housing for which the lease is less than \$150 a month.

The \$150 cap is "clearly dated and should be reconsidered in the light of today's significantly higher rents or lease payments," he added.

Hultman called for the federal government to take the lead in setting standards for all employers of reservists being called to active duty.

He reminded the committees that a major area of reservists concern is their reemployment rights after active duty. Recalling that the Department of Labor has been developing legislation to revise the Veterans Reemployment Right law, he urged the committees "to hold the necessary hearings promptly so that this much needed update of important legislation can be accomplished in an expeditious manner."

To Avoid Delay Avoid These Items

By SPC Kevin Hudson

SAUDI ARABIA (ARNEWS) — Some of the soldiers deployed here in support of Operation Desert Shield are experiencing delays in getting their mail—and it could be your fault.

Although the percentage of delayed mail is minimal in comparison to the large volume of mail entering the country each day, COL Courtney Starbird says there are ways to make that percentage even smaller.

Starbird is the Army Central Command adjutant general responsible for making sure soldiers get their mail.

"What the people back home can do to speed up delivery and avoid delay is to ensure that their soldier's address is complete, accurate, and legible," Starbird says. He says each piece of mail should have the complete name and rank, social security number, complete unit address and APO number.

"Bad addresses mean delays," says Starbird. "The postal workers manually sort and redirect the mail. This takes

time, and will inevitably cause a delay.

Delays also are caused when people don't follow customs regulations, he says. "Declare all the contents in the package. Saudi customs officials are authorized to inspect 100 percent of the parcels coming into the country...and they do."

Items prohibited are—

—Material contrary to the Islamic faith;

—Pornographic or provocative material;

—Non-authorized political materials;

—Alcohol;

—Pork, or pork items;

—Firearms;

—Perishable items that do not fare well in heat.

Videotapes sent to Saudi Arabia are also being screened. Starbird advises friends and families to "make them 'G'-rated."

"Following the rules will result in fewer delays," Starbird says. "And that will result in happier soldiers."

(Hudson serves with the 14th Public Affairs Detachment.)

769th Engineer Battalion

U.S. Army Superior Unit Award Recipient

OTHER AWARDS EARNED

"Best MOUT Unit" HSC, HQ Support
Outstanding Project" Co C

Best Maintenance" Co B

Safety Award" Co A

Best Unit Overall" Co C

Esprit De Corps" Co C

By SPC Kristi L. Moon
241st PAD Staff

The 769th Engineer Battalion, Combat Heavy, received the U.S. Army Superior Unit Award, Sunday, September 9, in an afternoon ceremony at Folsom National Guard Armory, in Baton Rouge.

Maj Gen Ansel M. Stroud, Adjutant General of Louisiana, presented this prestigious award to the 769th En Bn for their mission in 1984 in the Republic of Panama named "Blazing Trails".

The completed mission consisted of constructing over 12 kilometers of road and several low water crossings along the Pacific coast of Panama. Also while in Panama, the soldiers of the 769th participated in several civic action projects such as: repairs on school buildings, school desks, church steeples, huts and farming assistance.

According to Capt Ronald H. Edwards, Plans Officer, 769th En Bn, this mission was a joint effort of National Guard, US Army and the 193rd SOUTHCOM (Panama) units. Louisiana and Missouri engineers were supported by units from Florida, Alabama, and Tennessee.

The Army Superior unit award is awarded by the Secretary of the Army to units that have accomplished difficult and challenging missions in a meritorious manner during peace time conditions.

According to Gen Stroud, this is the first type of award given to any reserve component unit.

Stroud also expressed his appreciation for "the hard work and professionalism (of the 769th) that made this award possible. The experience gained in Panama is paying big dividends today," he said.

769th Engineers Conduct Operation Pride

By 1LT Luke M. Hall
Construction Officer

Operation Pride, a program designed to better the relationship between National Guardsmen or Reservist and their employers, was a success for B Company of the 769th Engineer Battalion stationed at New Roads, Louisiana.

At departure time the flight manifest contained names of not only employers but also of a principal of a local elementary school and the local press. The employers that were represented were Salmon & Associates, City of Baton Rouge, Exxon Research & Development Laboratory, New Roads Police Jury, CIBA GEIGY, JE Merit, and RhonePoulenc. The visitors were excited and eager to see their local Guardsmen/employees at work.

On June 30, 1990, day eight of B Company's annual training, the military helicopters lifted off from the Baton Rouge Metropolitan Airport destined for Camp Beauregard. The visitors were anxious of the flight for many of them had never flown in a helicopter before. The flight lasted about an hour and fifteen minutes. No one had difficulties during the flight.

From the airfield at Camp Beauregard the visitors were transported by bus to the company mess hall. They were welcomed with coffee and donuts and were greeted by the battalion and company commanders. They were then given the agenda for the day and were moved

out to view the training.

Some of the areas toured were the company TOC (which was in MOUT configuration), the motorpool at CSMS, a campsite expansion project at Indian Creek Park in Woodworth, an oil-water separator installation at CSMS, a road extension project with hauling and borrow pit operations, a concrete placement project at the post fire station, and the construction of a metal maintenance building at the NCO Academy in Ball, Louisiana.

After the tour was completed, the tour group was assembled in the company mess hall for a final briefing. The floor was open for any comments or suggestions; many of the visitors responded. Some of the comments recorded are the following. "I never knew that you did so much." About the campsite project - "I realized that the state actually gets something in return besides a ready force." "The technique of utilizing state projects which benefit Louisiana citizens and give experience to the guardsmen is tremendously impressive." "The Louisiana National Guard deserves appropriate recognition for this achievement as do the locals who help to make state projects successful." "I see that it is very important for the public sector to understand that the work done by the Guard is necessary in order for them to be adequately prepared in the event of war." And "I now have a better understanding and appreciation for summer camp and weekend drill."



Headquarters of the Louisiana National Guard participated in the ringing of bells across America at 2:30 p.m. on 17 September to commemorate the on-going celebration of the Bicentennial of the Constitution. At the same moment that the chapel bells were ringing at Jackson Barracks hundreds of bells were pealing throughout military installations in the U.S.A. (State PAO Photo)

"This shrinking world means for the United States more international involvement as well as more hazards; more military commitments to the defense of freedom, as well as more demands on our economic and military strengths."

General Harold K. Johnson, 1965

204th ASG: Operation Spartan Shield

By The 204 ASG PIO Section

In early September, 120 soldiers of HHC 204th ASG conducted an extensive Air Mobile Operation in the New Orleans Metro area. In light of world events, this type of training for combat service support major command headquarters seems all too appropriate.

This operation was supported by forces from Co A, 1/244th AVN Bn, New Orleans. The one characteristic that all units in the total force must have is mobility. However, by MTOE design, combat service support units are very dependent on transportation units for deployment to assigned operational areas once in the country and for displacements.

HHC 204th ASG conducted tactical operations at Camp Villere, emphasizing quick displacements of large CSS Headquarters directors by both air and ground assets. According to the HC Commander CPT Eugene Barattini, "The purpose of the exercise was to demonstrate the ability of the unit to

move within a theater using air mobile assets to cut the displacement time of the huge headquarters in half."

The exercise demonstrated the ability of the unit to move the majority of the unit by In-Country short range aircraft while allowing a small element of the headquarters to remain in command of all assigned CSS units and facilities. Making this exercise even more realistic was the fact that such as command control logistic operation team was already on an ODT tour in the Federal Republic of Germany composed of the same type command cell.

During the FTX, the unit conducted a marshalling area operation to marry-up ground MTOE assets with the main body arriving from a near by secured LZ. The unit strived to set up operations in the shortest period of time using cross-loading procedures and palletizing all cargos. When the ASG Commander COL Marion Simpson arrived with his staff, he stated that, "I cannot believe this unit has been at this location for



Headquarters, 204 ASG members load aircraft of Company A, 1/244th Aviation Battalion during Operation Spartan Shield. (Photo by SPC D. Giliardi)

only one hour and is this operational. It looks as if the unit has been here for at least a day."

Both individual and unit level NBC operations were conducted in association with the tactical scenario, with a three

hour block of NBC re-fresher training receiving heavy emphasis. As the unit departed the LZ, it was clear that the light & deployable skills obtained in this exercise could be put to good use in any upcoming situation.

773d Maint Bn Participates in Multi-Force Training

By SPC Dane A. Kerne
773rd Maint Bn

The barren training fields of Fort Hood, Texas were the site where the HHD 773rd Maintenance Battalion conducted its Annual Training exercise for 1990.

The exercise, held in July, was quite large. The 773d, supported by elements of the 827th GS Supply Company from Oklahoma, the 204th Area Support Group and the 2226th Transportation Company, was deployed to support the 172nd Area Support Group. The role of the 172nd was to support the 40th Armored Division of the Texas National Guard. In all, nearly 400 soldiers of the 773rd and its supporting elements participated in the exercise.

If any key words were to be used to describe this exercise, one of them would have to be "wet". Rain fell on the soldiers for nearly half of their time in the field. Low points and heavily traveled areas in the field were transformed into lakes and streams.

Under the observance of evaluators, these dedicated soldiers attacked their two weeks of training with gusto. The soldiers set themselves to completing their tasks, such as setting up their logistical support sections, setting up a Tactical Operations Center (TOC), and integrating fire plans and communications among all points.

The 3673rd provided maintenance support in a "tactical" environment. And soldiers operated in a chemical en-

vironment on more than one occasion. All equipment had to be sufficiently camouflaged, using nets and natural cover. Fighting positions were set up along the perimeter and security was tight. A "reaction force" was formed to defend the perimeter from enemy attack. A supply section and food service section was also established.

The 773rd received much praise from the evaluators as they passed all twelve of the tasks assigned. Comments made by the evaluators were complimentary indeed. Staff familiarity with their individual roles was rated excellent. The camouflage was some of the best seen by one evaluator. "All personnel as a result of this Annual Training period have become more proficient in their respec-

tive areas," said one.

The overall response and reaction to the evaluator's comments, and to the exercise in general, was positive. "I'm pleased with the overall performance of the troops. We proved that a Maintenance Company (3673rd) could perform their mission in a tactical environment," said Cpt. Thomas Long.

All of the hard work put in by these men and women certainly did not go unnoticed. Lt. Col. Saltzman, battalion commander received the Army Commendation Medal from Col. John K. Gillette, commander of the 172nd. Saltzman accepted the award on behalf of his troops and thanked his soldiers for all of the effort they put in to make "AT '90" a success.



Gotcha! A Louisiana National Guard Military Police Officer issues a traffic citation during annual training at Ft. Polk.

239th MP's Successful A.T. Breaks Down Barriers

Photos and story by
CPT Marcy Jo Gower
204th ASG PAO

When the going gets tough the tough get going. That saying is particularly true for the 239th and other Military Police (MP) companies. The companies performed annual training (AT) this year at Fort Polk. MP's have a diversified mission. They are responsible for law enforcement on post as well as field combat missions.

During AT 90 the MP's were armed with live ammunition and provided law enforcement assistance to the active component at Fort Polk. They also performed their combat mission in the field. This was an excellent training exercise and was performed successfully despite the fact that the companies were perfor-

ming dual missions at half their normal strengths. The soldiers understood the problems facing them. SGT Calvin Collins stated that everyone realized that they were short handed and that they had to pull together to do the job.

The job was made more difficult because junior NCOs and Senior Specialists were thrust into leadership roles due to key NCOs away at PLDC and BNCOC courses. When asked how he felt about being placed in a leadership position in a field environment CPL Michael LeBlanc stated, "this was a fantastic chance to spread my wings and run the show for a short time." He also said that he was unable to fall back on his superiors, and therefore, had to rely on his own knowledge.

Despite the difficulties, the 239th and

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Tankers Qualify On The M-1 Abrams

By SPC Bernard Chaillot
256 Inf Bde (M)

One of First Battalions' M-1 Abrams battle tanks sat at the bottom of a firing position incline, making adjustments as its barrel moved up and to the left.

With a thundering blast coupled with a bright white/yellow flash, its shell was launched downrange, obliterating a target on a hillside a thousand yards away. The Shreveport - headquartered battalion of the 256 Inf Bde (M) trained with other elements of the Louisiana National Guard during AT at Fort Polk.

Alpha Co commander, John Adger and readiness NCO/Master gunner SFC Dale Bierden split their time between the range and the maintenance area, where tankers were troubleshooting any mechanical or sighting problems.

"Our tankers have to qualify on the gunnery tables every other year, but we have to stay prepared at all times," said Bierden.

"First, checks are made for armament accuracy screening test," he added.

The screening test consists of the tanks firing at targets at three known distances, said Bierden, with two of three hits necessary to proceed to the gunnery tables.

"If the tank does not hit two out of three targets, it must be inspected to find out why," said Bierden.

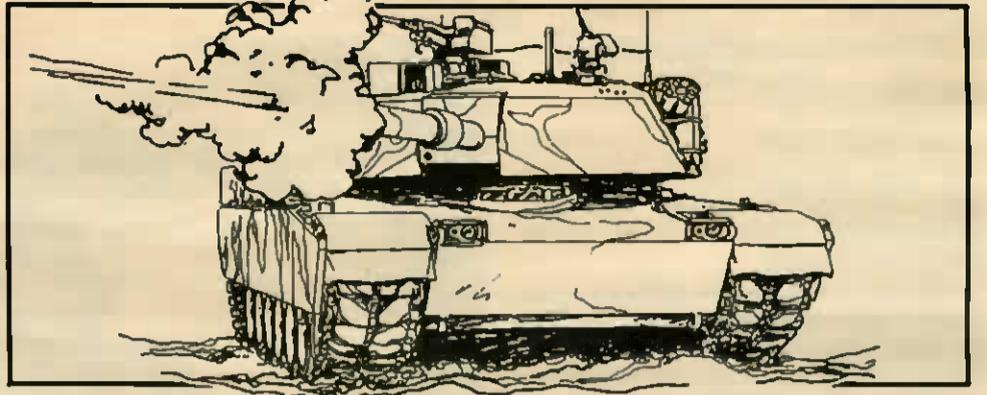
"Ninety percent of the time, it's a bore sight problem, while mechanical deficiencies account for the other 10 percent," he said.

Tankers then advance through seven gunnery tables, starting with Table six, which consists of four daylight engagements and three nighttime engagements, said Bierden.

"Out of a total point possibility of 700, the crew has to score at least 490 points to pass," he said.

Bierden noted that as tankers proceed through the gunnery tables, passing scores become more and more difficult to attain.

Table seven is comprised of offensive and defensive engagements with moving tanks and targets, said Bierden.



"The crews shoot on the move. It's much more difficult than firing at a stationary target from a set firing position, but the crews must master it, as it represents a realistic combat situation," he said.

Table eight is designed for qualifying on a crew level, while tables 9-12 are combined firing exercises on the platoon, company, and task force levels, explained Bierden.

"This type of training was conducted

at the National Training Center (NTC) in 1987, and repeated at AT this year," said Bierden.

"The situation in Kuwait, with Iraqi tankers rolling over light resistance before running into the U.S. presence at the Saudi Arabian border, has brought home to our soldiers the importance of staying fully trained on the Abrams and light tanks," said Bierden.

"They realize now more than ever that they could be called on at any time to put their training to the test," he said.

Avery Island Employer Receives Pro Patria Award

By SPC Bernard Chaillot
256th Inf Bde PIO

VERY ISLAND. When the Minutemen of pre-Revolutionary War days needed time to train, there was seldom any guff to deal with from employers, due to a clear and present danger from the hated British colonialists.

These days National Guardsmen must depend on the support of employers who sometimes don't see why, in peacetime, key workers have to prepare for war two days each month and two weeks each summer.

That's why the Louisiana Army National Guard makes a special effort to honor those employers who recognize that the sacrifices Guardsmen make

often require a compensatory sacrifice from the company.

The Pro Patria award was created to show employers that their contribution to the national defense is vital and well appreciated.

This week, Johnny Boudreaux, assistant plant manager at the Akzo salt mine in Avery Island didn't know why his bosses had asked him to cancel a fishing trip and show up for work, only that there was something that required his attention.

So when SFC Robert Paul, while on military duty, showed up in his battle fatigues and highly shined combat boots with a captain and lieutenant in tow, Boudreaux was as surprised as a fish that realized the hook has been set.

A 23-year veteran of the mine, Paul

has been in the Guard 21 of those years, and Boudreaux has been a staunch supporter every step of the way.

"I don't know what to say," said Boudreaux when the proclamation was read. "This makes me feel really good. I'm just glad I was able to do my part in supporting the readiness of the Guard."

Boudreaux is a former Guardsmen himself, having served in New Iberia from 1954-63 when the unit now designated as the Delta Dawgs was G company.

"The support employers show is crucial to the mission accomplishment of the National Guard," said CPT Ron Comeaux, commander of Detachment 2 of Headquarters Company of the 256th Infantry Brigade in Lafayette.

"My wife and I own a store in

Lafayette, and I know I appreciate it when she releases me for training. Maybe we can give her an award," he joked.

"This is the first Pro Patria award that has been given in the New Iberia area," said Paul "But I know it won't be the last."

Guardsmen can nominate their employers through individual Guard units and the National Committee for Employer Support of the National Guard.

At one time Akzo, or International Salt as it was formerly known, had a contingent of nearly 20 Guardsmen on the payroll. The number is down to half a dozen now with company retirements and ends of Guard enlistments, but support has not wavered.

Brigade Engineers Train in NBC Environment

By SPC Bernard Chaillot
256 Inf Bde PIO (M)

A platoon of combat engineers from the Louisiana National Guards 256 Inf Bde (M) had just sat down to a noon meal during annual training Aug 4-18 at Fort Polk when the tear gas hit.

"We were running around throwing on our protective masks and getting into our MOPP suits," said one engineer, "The plates of food were flying. Nobody was thinking about eating anymore."

The gas attack was part of a decontamination exercise for the Decon platoon of Det. 2 from Lafayette's brigade headquarters company.

The mission-oriented protective posture (MOPP) suit, is designed for survivability in an NBC (nuclear, biological, chemical) environment. Section sergeant SSG Paul Celestine explained that a "hasty decontamination" mission was in progress.

"When they pull into this area after evacuating the site where they were gassed," said Celestine, "they will wash the bulk of the contaminant off their vehicles with hot soapy water and get the soldiers to change MOPP suits at a nearby gear exchange site."

CPT Matthew Binko, chemical officer for the 256 Inf Bde (M), explained that the purpose of the exercise was to "evaluate the reaction of the unit and the chain of events in an NBC situation, including the follow-up decontamination mission."

"The old MOPP suits are only good for six hours in a contaminated environment, or 24 hours for the new camouflage suits," said Celestine.

Some chemical gas agents can kill troops if breathed or even absorbed through the skin. "Some of us were killed," admitted one engineer. "It teaches you to keep your equipment close at hand."

Celestine said in a real-world situa-

tion, the contaminant would be identified and the command notified so information could be relayed to other brigade elements and a chain of events put into action, including offensive or defensive responses, route changes for troop movement, and medical supply evaluation.

After the hasty decon exercise was completed, Binko sat the troops down for an after-action briefing.

"Keep your mask and MOPP suit handy at all times - some of you learned that the hard way today," said Binko as several engineers coughed and dabbed wet bandanas at reddened eyes.

"Be able to don the mask in the prescribed amount of time - you'll only have a few seconds to react - and be able to go to MOPP IV quickly," he said. MOPP IV indicates a fully-suited, gloved and booted, buttoned-down and zipped-up soldier.

"If you don't, and it's a nerve agent as

was simulated today - you're dead," said Binko. "Once you get to MOPP IV, move upwind, and keep in touch with the command," he continued.

"The route you take to get the vehicles out of the contaminated area will be contaminated, so the command needs to know that other brigade elements should avoid the road," said Binko.

Decon SGT Aaron Theall explained the difference between a hasty decon and a deliberate decon.

"Hasty is when we just rinse off the vehicles and go through a MOPP gear exchange, while in a deliberate decon, we would scrub the vehicle inside and out, change suits and masks, and go the whole nine yards, completely decontaminating soldiers, vehicles, and equipment so the troops can get back into the fight, clean and ready."

Training and preparation are the keys to surviving in an NBC environment," said Binko.

Fifty Years and One World War Later...

By 1LT Maria L. Jonkers
State PAO

History will be relived and recounted later this month during the 1940 Mobilization Ceremony being held at Camp Beauregard.

Veterans, visitors and patriot's from throughout Louisiana and the U.S. will be journeying to Central Louisiana to view what has become of the small communities galvanized by the Louisiana maneuvers, and to see what remains of the camps that were constructed to accommodate the influx of men.

The famous Louisiana Maneuvers, the births of England Air Force Base, Fort Polk, Esler-Alexandria Regional Airport, Camp Claiborne and Livingston, and the internment of German, Italian and Japanese prisoners of war-all were happenings in Central Louisiana during the 1940-45 period. Military activity in this area during the war was intense, and has had lasting significance for the area's economy and culture.

The Louisiana National Guard will sponsor a remembrance of this dramatic and historic period during the 19-21st of October. Tours, military displays, concerts, a multi-media presentation, a banquet, a memorial service and the unveiling of a historic marker are among the activities scheduled during the four-day event.

Several reunions of units stationed at local Army camps during the war are also scheduled.

The post served as the point of activation for the Fifth Corps, as well as the Third Armored Division. Other units activated at Camp Beauregard included the 107th, 109th and 122nd Air Corps Observation Squadrons, and the 106th Horse-Mechanized Cavalry.

The celebration is on the list of Department of Defense-sanctioned events.

Tours will be conducted to Camps Claiborne and Livingston, now inactive and under the control of the US Forestry Service. Military aircrafts and equipment - both modern and World War II vintage - will be displayed at Camp Beauregard and Esler-Alexandria Regional Airport.

On Saturday afternoon an unveiling ceremony of historic markers will take place for Camps Beauregard, Claiborne and Livingston.

Saturday's activities will close with an unveiling banquet at the Alexandria Hilton Convention Centre. Tickets to this event are available for advance purchase by calling Post Headquarters, Camp Beauregard at (318) 640-2080, ext 311.

On Sunday, an outdoor Memorial Service to remember those who served in World War II will take place.

Army National Guard bands from Iowa and Wisconsin will perform and refreshments will be available.

Guardsmen are urged to bring their families and take a walk through history with veterans who lived through the era.

The commemoration ceremony promises to be an emotional, educational and historical event.



The 106th Horse-Mechanized Cavalry was activated at Camp Beauregard during the call-up. (National Archives)



When Camp Beauregard could no longer house the soldiers participating in the maneuvers, Camps Claiborne and Livingston were constructed to accommodate the influx. (National Archives)

Schedule of Events

Friday, 19 Oct 90

0800-1700	Static Displays	Cp. Beauregard
0800-1700	La Maneuvers Film	Post Theatre
0900, 1100, 1400	Bus Tours	Cp. Livingston
0900, 1300	Bus Tours	Cp. Claiborne

Saturday, 20 Oct 90

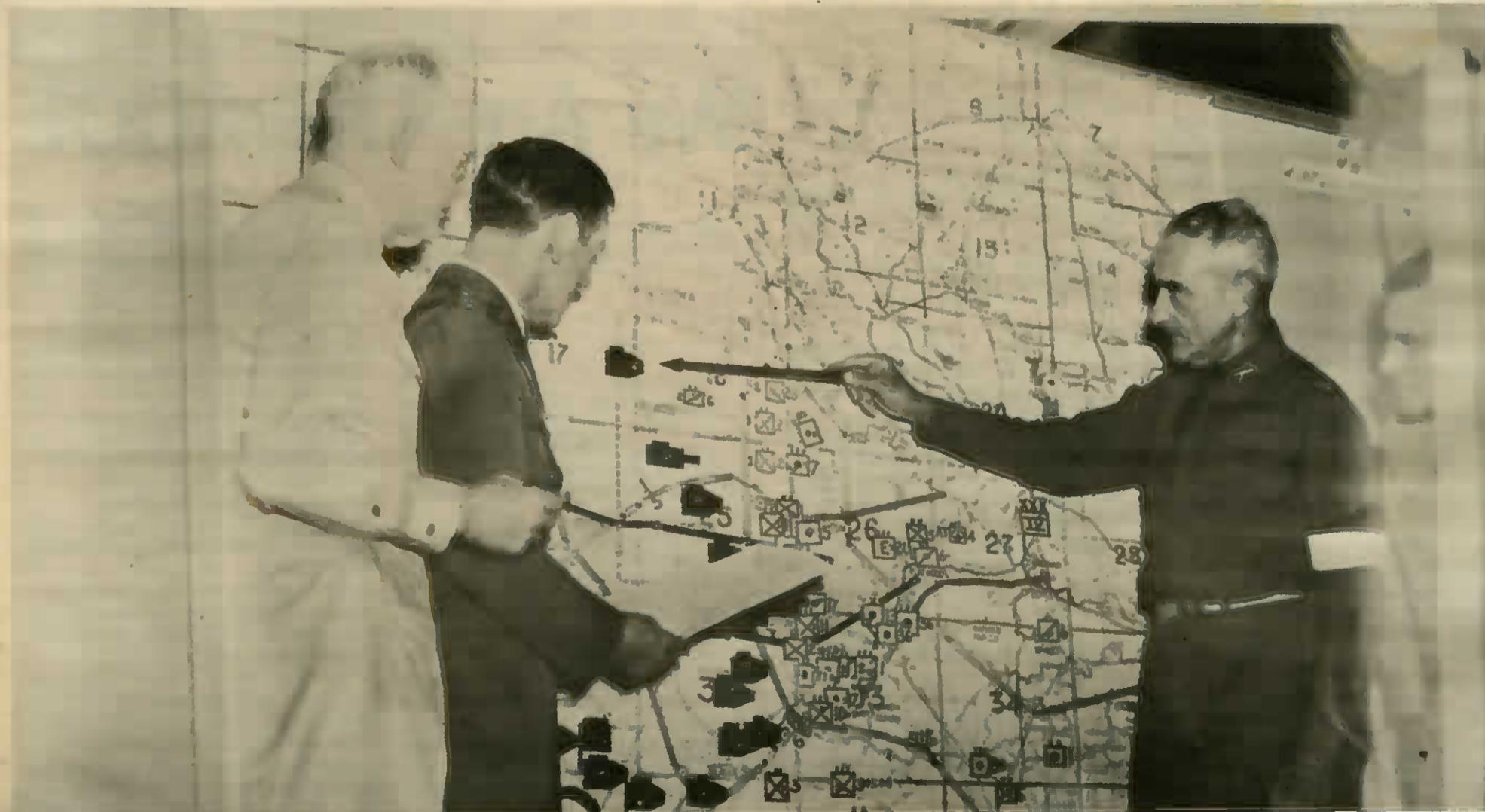
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0900, 1100, 1600	Bus Tour	Cp. Livingston
0900	Bus Tour	Cp. Claiborne
0800-1700	La Maneuvers Film	Post Theatre
1200-1300	Music By Visiting Army Bands	
1300-1355	Speakers	100 Block
1355-1400	Flyover by England Air Force Base	
1400	Unveiling of Historical Markers for Cp. Beauregard, Cp. Livingston, and Camp Claiborne	100 Block
1400-1500	Music By Visiting Army Bands	
1900-2400	Banquet w/ Speaker	Hilton Hotel

Sunday, 21 Oct 90

0800-1700	Static Displays	Cp. Beauregard
0800-1700	La Maneuvers Film	Post Theatre
0900-1000	Memorial Service	100 Block
1100, 1400	Bus Tour	Cp. Livingston
1100, 1500	Bus Tour	Cp. Claiborne



Over 400,000 soldiers participated in the famous Louisiana Maneuvers (National Archives).



LTG Stanley Embick and MG Hebert Brees are briefed by an umpire at IV Corps Headquarters at Zimmerman, La. in May 1940. The map shows the 5th Infantry Division at Flatwoods, the 1st Infantry Division near Kisatchie and the 6th Infantry Division at Hinston (National Archives)

1/244th Participates In Composite at Exercise

Compiled from information provided by CPT Thomas J. Mix

Louisiana Army Aviation holds the second longest record in the U.S. for length of time without a Class A Mishap.

In 1963, the last incident involving more than \$1 million dollars in damages to a DOD aircraft or occupational injury resulting in 100% disability or fatality is on record, according to Aviation Safety Officer CW2 Travis N. Johnson.

With an untainted record like this, the 1/244th AV BN completed its first annual training exercise this summer involving all subordinate units in the battalion.

Since the unit's activation in Oct 1986, no two units participated in AT together due to continuous annual events such as Night Vision Goggle training and MOS qualifications.

AT-90 began with a 4-day REMOBE exercise prior to deployment to Camp Beauregard, LA.

The unit scored a "GO" on mobilization, and proceeded directly into the task.

The battalion accomplished several major tasks during AT-90.

HHC POL section set up a FARP and refueled Battalion aircraft on a 24 hr operation. This was the first hot refueling for this section and after a few days, this section functioned as well as any active duty unit.

During the AT period, the HHC Medical Section certified 30 unit members in CPR.

This certification was accomplished utilizing the American Heart Association standards. Several emergency casualties were processed and an actual medivac mission was handled on a severe back injury. No heat injuries occurred thanks to the guidance from the Medical Section and the close supervision of immediate supervisors.

Co A conducted aerial gunnery at Claiborne Range on England AFB, Alexandria, LA. The "TOP GUN" from Co A was SGT Roger Cuevas. Observations from the range operations tower showed all crewmembers who fired the aircraft mounted M60D machine gun to be fully capable of putting suppression fire on the targets areas. This course of fire consisted of both hovering and moving aircraft during the firing.

Water Survival Training was conducted by Co A at the Camp Beauregard swimming pool. This training displayed "drown proofing", hypothermia, rescue equipment, communication techniques, signaling techniques and sustenance management. Lessons learned are valuable to this unit because of the relative location to large expanses of water.

Co A also conducted familiarization and qualification in aircraft sling load operations, internal transportation by



1/244th AV BN prepares for a 47 vehicle convoy to its first composite annual training exercise as an entire BN at Camp Beauregard, LA. (1/244th Avn Bn Photo)

aircraft of chemical and nuclear munitions, crewmembers flying in MOPP 4 and OPSEC.

Co D which is responsible for aviation maintenance did an outstanding job in keeping aircraft available for the entire AT period. During the 72 hour Internal ARTEP, under the command of 1LT Patrick F. Boudreaux, Co D performed 24 hour maintenance. The quality of the maintenance performed is reflected in the operational readiness rate and the lack of maintenance related accidents or

incidents.

"This Battalion has matured into an entity that shows cohesiveness between Companies, Platoons and Sections. It is training together in a field environment where units and individuals realize that all unit members are needed in order to accomplish the mission of this Battalion," said CPT Thomas J. Mix, battalion executive officer.

The 244th AV BN proved its abilities and readiness to perform any duty it is called upon to complete.

Schoolhouse for the Soldier

By MAJ Chris Laborde
C4152d USAR School

The 4152d USARF School conducted its third consecutive "Schoolhouse for the Soldier" training at Camp Beauregard, LA this summer. More than 30 instructors from seven states coordinated schoolhouse training for nearly 250 soldiers from the Louisiana Army National Guard and Army Reserve.

Thirteen courses were taught during the training period. Individual MOS' included: Light Weapon Infantryman (11B), students practiced small unit tactics and increased their knowledge of weapons, mines and maps;

Combat Field Signaler (31K), students participated in field exercises with the 11B's and learned radio-to-telephone communications and communications security;

The Carpentry/Masonry Specialist (51B), the class completed two carpentry projects (a trailer covering and tool shed) and learned to form and lay concrete and cinder blocks;

Plumbers (51K), students learned correct pipe fitting procedures for water supply and sanitary drainage systems, and supported the Louisiana Army National Guard's Indian Creek recreation area project;

Heavy Construction Equipment Operator (62E), the class started from scratch in learning principles of numerous heavy engineering equipment and used that experience to level out

training areas and shore up a dam site;

Light Wheel Vehicle Mechanic (63B), the class provided maintenance support for vehicles drawn for training;

M 2/3 Bradley Fighting Vehicle System Mechanic (63T), students learned how to remove, install and maintain the vehicle's power train unit, and trained on the vehicle's communications, weapons and electrical systems.

As part of their career path development, the Unit Support Specialist (76Y) and Equipment Records and Parts Specialist (76C) integrated appropriate supply records training.

Additionally, two BNCOC Courses integrated training. The Light Wheel Vehicle Mechanic (63B30) consolidated training with the 63B10 class in order to function in a supervisory role as maintenance sergeants to the 63B10 students. The Motor Transport Operators (88M30) provided supervisory command and control for the 88M10 class during convoy and reconnaissance training.

The 4152d USARF School will conduct the following IDT classes during the Oct 90 - Aug 91 school year: (For Officers) OAC, CGSOC, CAS3; (For Enlisted) 31C, 31K, 51B, 54B, 62E, 63B, 71D, 71L, 75D, 75E, 76P, 76V, 76Y, 88H, 88N, 91B, 95B, NBC, BNCOC, ANCO, PLDC, and FSC.

Contact MSG Ronnie Martin at (504) 254-5740 for specific locations and dates of classes.

The Louisiana Army National Guard is an Army Community of Excellence striving to provide the best possible facilities and services for our soldiers Active Guard/Reserve (AGR), military technicians civilian employees, and their families.

We Are The ACOE

By LTC Earl P. Santos

Talk with any of COL Walter R. Weaver's staff personnel and they will tell you. "We are the ACE In The Army Communities of Excellence Program," said Weaver, "The ACOE Program certainly inspired and motivated maintenance personnel throughout the LAARNG. From the results of his staff's evaluations of the thirteen OMSs and UTES #2 in conjunction with the ACOE Program, next year's FY91 ACOE competition is going to be pretty tough. COL Weaver expressed his deepest appreciation to members of his staff, the shop chiefs, supervisors and technicians for the fine efforts made in support of the ACOE program. The top three winners have not been determined as of this writing.

Unit Readiness

The Army's readiness objective is to provide units capable of performing their assigned missions in support of operational requirements such as the Persian Gulf crisis. To conserve resources, only those units required early in support of contingency plans are normally maintained at the highest level of readiness. Other units are assigned readiness goals according to the resources provided. By

resources, we mean personnel, equipment, funds and facilities for training and maintaining equipment. LAARNG commanders are responsible for maintaining the highest levels of equipment serviceability within the limitations of the resources provided. The commander is also responsible for assuring that unit readiness ratings reflect actual unit conditions and that available resources are applied as necessary to prevent or correct degradation of unit readiness. Unit readiness is essentially the end product of managerial effort at all levels of command. The Unit Status Report (USR) serves as a management tool so that higher levels of command can determine where personnel and equipment resources can best be applied to achieve an optimum readiness for all LAARNG units. Battalion/MACOM Commanders must get involved with equipment readiness by reviewing the USR of subordinate units and taking such action as is within their capabilities to improve the readiness conditions of these subordinate units. The Directorate, Surface Maintenance Staff is available to assist commanders in their maintenance programs in order to meet their readiness objectives.

Desert Shield Affects Student-Heavy LANG

By CPT William C. Ratcliff
Education Services Officer

Operation Desert Shield continues to affect the lives of many of our members and their families. One of the questions most often asked by our members is "How will this crisis affect my educational pursuits?" It's no wonder that this is such a pressing concern for members of the LANG when nearly one in every two are engaged in some form of education program. From high school to medical school and beyond, the LANG is student-heavy in its membership.

The following information on how the 200K Call-Up affects students does not necessarily apply to a higher level

of mobilization. It is, however, accurate for what we are experiencing today.

Beginning with high school students, those engaged in a normal resident course of study will be delayed from entry on involuntary active duty until such time as they cease to pursue such course satisfactorily, graduate, or attain age 20, whichever comes first.

Non-prior Service personnel in training programs will not be delayed in reporting to active duty with their unit.

All full-time and part-time undergraduate and graduate students will activate and deploy with their units except those participants in the following Army Medical Department (AMEDD) Procurement Programs:

New Specialized Training Assistance Programs (STRAP).

ARNG Medical and Dental Student Commissioning Program.

All AMEDD officers participating in post graduate degree programs in medical related fields.

Students forced to interrupt their educational careers are also concerned about how their participation in the various educational assistance programs in the LANG will be affected. The following information pertains to these respective programs.

Members activated for duty will not lose any eligibility entitlement for the Montgomery GI Bill. Eligibility will be terminated upon activation and reinstated upon deactivation.

Members using State Tuition Exemption (STEP) benefits activated for duty during an academic period will not be charged for a STEP allotment.

Student Loan Repayment Program (SLRP) and Health Professional Loan Repayment Program (HPLRP) participants must contact their unit to have loan repayments deferred for periods of activation.

Ongoing coordinations are being made with the Board of Regents to ensure that activated students who resign from state-funded colleges during an academic period will be given every consideration in regards to refund policies, withdrawal procedures, and the best options for partially completed course work.



MAJ Dana Cronin



MAJ Thomas O'Leary

Partners In Safety

The new fiscal year is often a time of new beginnings — a time for new programs to be initiated, new files to be developed and efforts on routine endeavors to be renewed.

The safety office is starting the fiscal year in much the same manner, with a great deal of emphasis on "new."

MAJ Thomas O'Leary has been appointed the new Safety Officer and brings with him experience in maintenance, transportation, ordnance, and personnel and administration. While his past endeavors are very diverse his civilian expertise is primarily in the area of transportation and maintenance management.

Also new to the safety office is MAJ Dana Cronin. Cronin recently transferred from the Department of the Navy where she worked in the outpatient clinic. She brings with her over 16 years of nursing experience.

Safety efforts in the Louisiana ARNG are not anything new - and the safety of

our people has always been of paramount importance.

Still, as time passes efforts wane even if slightly. Now with the benefit of a new fiscal year, the resolution to Be smart - Be safe and take that extra step toward safety must be made.

The job of integrating safety is a thankless one. No one congratulates you for the equipment not damaged, or the lives not lost...it is only when you neglect to take that extra little step to be safe that the consequences of neglect, lack of safety awareness, and inattention come to fruition.

Make the new fiscal year your personal resolution to be safe and join with MAJ O'Leary - and MAJ Cronin in forming a new partnership in safety and occupational health. You can make a difference... we can all make a difference, but only if we are willing to take that extra step. (241st PAD Staff)

CSM Brondum Coaches Junior Olympics

By SPC Michael A. Ritter
241st PAD Staff

It's been seven years since CSM Mickey Brondum's Post Explorer 935 won the National Guard Junior Olympic shooting championship, sweeping all 27 events. But Brondum continues to be the sport's most ardent advocate in Louisiana.

Brondum began coaching in 1973, and is now the advisor of the Explorer Post 935 in New Orleans.

The post meets on Tuesdays and Thursdays to provide shooters, male and female, ages 14-21 the opportunity to hone their skills and advance in national competition.

This year three shooters went on to participate in national competition from the post.

Of those, Traci Pertuit, and Michael Peterson brought home honors.

Ranked as the top junior female in the United States, Pertuit won the national overall competition for females. Peterson was a winner in the sport pistol competition.

Not everyone, however, can expect to reach these heights. For those, the post sponsors several other local competitions and camps.

The post hosts the state indoor junior championships in four positioned smallbore shooting, three positioned smallbore, air rifle international style, air pistol, running target, and several Louisiana Junior Olympic and National Rifle Association championships.

The post also sponsors an annual camp in June which attracts students

from as far away as South Carolina and Florida.

Outstanding students from the camp then go on to participate in a national training camp at the Olympic Training Center in Colorado Springs, CO.

Brondum stresses however, that shooting is not always the most important criteria for selecting his top students.

"We like to have people who want to be coached, who have good character, and who demonstrate the discipline to be good shooters," says the dean of Louisiana's junior shooting program.

The post is not only concerned with winning awards, but also in helping others.

Members of the post annually participate in St. Bernard's Merry Christmas program which helps distribute food baskets to needy families during the holidays. They also assist handicapped spectators to their seats at all LSU home football games.

To date, Brondum is especially proud of the post's emphasis on Olympic training; the post is only one of five such programs in the nation to offer training with running targets. The training is so refined that his staff offers shooters advice on diet and highly specialized visualization techniques.

But no matter the amount of equipment or technique, Brondum sticks to one broadsweeping principle that has made his shooters successful over the years.

He says, "Shooting takes practice, and it takes practice, and more practice."

YOU CAN'T STOP TIME...

*But you can turn it back
one hour at 2 a.m. on
October 28 when daylight-
saving time ends and
standard time begins.*



159th Engineers: Rapid Runway Repair

By SGT Suzanne Chaillot
159th TFG PAO

The 159th Civil Engineering Squadron and the 159th Services Flight returned on August 18, 1990 from a successful two week deployment to Zweibrucken AFB, Germany.

Zweibrucken AFB was built in 1952 on what was once part of the Sigfried Line. The remains of many of the bunkers of the lines are still evident on the base and in the surrounding countryside.

The forty-four members of the Air Guard participated in base restoration projects and support exercises for the 26th Tactical Reconnaissance Wing, the only USAF tactical reconnaissance organization in Europe.

"The squadron's mission was to train on European construction methods that apply to the CES career field," said MAJ Oliver F. Mack, Jr., officer-in-charge of deployment activities. "This training was valuable to our squadron, for if we were to be activated it would, more than likely, be to European soil."

The numerous projects completed by the guardsmen will benefit base residents and visiting guests. The jobs ranged from installation of a drainage systems to removal and reconstruction of a series of concrete steps and sidewalks.

Two distinguished guests visited the group and the 26th TRW, BG Ralph J. Melancon, assistant adjutant general of the Louisiana Air National Guard, and COL Kenneth L. Ross, commander of the Louisiana Air National Guard. Along with MAJ Mack and LTC Robert L. Gilbert, 26th CES commander, the visitors toured the various projects task-

ed for the 159th.

They were treated to an impressive display of the CES rapid runway repair by the 26th Olympic team and the 159th. "We were happy to hear our group had asked for training in RRR," said Melancon. "They earned their bragging rights by cutting their initial time almost in half."

The 159th now holds the National Guard record for U.S. Forces in Europe by setting a time of 22:38, just three minutes off the present record time of the 26th Olympic team.

"With further training in RRR we would have an Olympic team," added TSGT Allen J. Austin, triple beam operator. "It was an excellent experience and opportunity for all of us."

SMSGT Shelby W. McBride, NCO in charge, informed the group that the primary mission of the Prime Beef team is rapid runway repair. "All other tasks and projects are considered secondary," he stated.

Off duty the guardsmen had the opportunity to experience Europe firsthand. Weekend tours took members throughout Germany and the surrounding countries of France, Switzerland, Italy and the Netherlands. "The Old World culture and scenic beauty are something to experience," stated TSGT Antoine M. Barriere. "I would love to bring my family here." This deployment introduced Europe to the majority of the guardsmen.

LTC Gilbert gave his final comments on the 159th's performance while in Germany with the highest regards. "The squadron performed proficiently, accurately and deliberately. The projects completed will leave lasting impressions of a highly productive group."

214th EIS Work To Save An Endangered Woodpecker

By SSG Dean M. Arnett
214th EIS UPAR

Sixteen 214th EIS troops reinstalled a radar tower they removed from an FAA site in Slidell last year. The tower is now in operation at Hurlburt Field, FL., and was installed atop a 30-foot hill constructed for the radar site. The 214th installed the tower for the 726th Test Control Squadron at Hurlburt Field.

"They needed the hill and tower so the radar antenna would be above the tree line and able to communicate with another site across Navarre Bay," said MSG John Matthews. "The Air Force went through such expense to build the hill, and construct the tower, to save an endangered woodpecker living in the wooded area surrounding the tower."

Three teams worked on the installation over a five week period. "We had a few problems and had to work on the Fourth of July," said Matthews. "We did what we had to do to get the job done, but we managed to have a little fun also."

The three EI Team Chiefs for the job were TSG William Buckner, TSG



Team members install upper deck support on tower. (214th EIS Photo)

Clarence Wilson and MSG John Matthews.



Neuschwanstein Castle, Germany. (Photo by SGT Suzanne Chaillot)



SGT John J. Fos, used a backhoe to widen the sidewalk at Zweibrucken AFB, Germany. (Photo by SGT Suzanne Chaillot)

Air Guard Goes Public

By LT COL Arthur R. Alberti

Headquarters LAARNG personnel recently went "public". Led by COL Gerard Salles, a group of personnel participated in public television's telethon. As part of a community project, members and their wives donated their time to take pledges from the public within the broadcasting area.

While the group worked hard, there was time for a little play. During slack periods participants received some strange pledges, only to learn that they

were being harassed by their fellow workers, all in good fun.

The project was extremely successful. Pledges exceeded nine thousand dollars, ranging from one dollar to one hundred dollars per pledge. Channel 12 personnel reported that the results were the "best" of the campaign.

Participants included:

COL and Mrs. Salles
COL and Mrs. Guidry
LTC and Mrs. Poche
LTC Alberti
MSG and Mrs. Heine
TSGT Hric

ANG NCO Prep Course Graduates 22

By SGT Suzanne Chaillot
159th TFG/PAO

Twenty-two airmen from the Louisiana Air National Guard recently graduated from the Non Commissioned Officers Preparatory Course.

The two week course, held at Camp Beauregard, LA, involved intensive instruction in many facets of the military and the air guard.

The courses included proper wear and upkeep of the uniform, military courtesy, military and air national guard history, management training, and instruction in the art of public speaking.

The July graduation ceremonies were held in conjunction with an evening banquet. The banquet, usually restricted to civilians, was opened to friends and family members.

Guest speaker for the ceremony was CMSGT Richard A. Moon. Moon is the newly selected senior enlisted advisor of the Air National Guard. He once served as the commandant of the Air National Guard NCO Academy and Leadership School, McGhee Tyson Airport, Tennessee, which he graduated from with the Commandant's Award.

The airmen that received awards for their outstanding performance were; SRA Jeannine F. Welsh, recipient of the Paul S. Borne Award and SRA Patrick S. Mooney, winner of the John Levitow award.

Instructors for the course were MSGT Rick Sanders, TSGT Justin Jones, TSGT Gary Johnson, SSGT Mickey Vicknair and SSGT Perry Otilio.

The next NCO prep course will take place in January 1991. All Airmen First Class with 30 or more months in grade and all Senior Airmen are eligible to apply for this course. If interested contact your section supervisor for more information and an application.



Students and Instructors pose together for the official class photo. Pictured left to right: Kneeling: SSGT Perry Otilio, MSGT Rick Sanders, TSGT Gary Johnson, TSGT Justin Jones. First Row: SRA Shannon P. Sterling, SRA Jeannine F. Welsh, class commander, SRA Diana Kinchen, SRA Patrick S. Mooney. Second Row: SRA Vaughn P. Larousse, SRA Ike Turner, SRA Dawn M. Richardson, SRA Melissa E. Buvens, SRA Bruce M. Samuel, SRA Debra A. Hebert. Third Row: SRA Ned J. Scioneaux, SRA Emanuel L. Thomas, SRA Lisa Carmon, SRA David P. Leblanc, SRA Walter Campbell, SRA Brian A. Walker. Fourth Row: SRA James K. Young, SRA John L. Metrejean, AIC Edgar Burgess, SRA Kraig S. Schexnayder, SRA Mark S. St. Germain, SRA Steven M. Goodly.



Loading Compartment of the C-130 aircraft which depicts minimal tolerances that require special handling techniques of the F-15 wing. (159th TFG Photo)

159th C-130 Airlifts An F-15 Wing

By SGT Debbie Hebert
159th TFG PAO

The Louisiana Air National Guard's Operational Support Aircraft (OSA), the C-130, was tasked in the unique operation of bringing a wing home to its rightful owner. The C-130, which is primarily used as a support vehicle for guard members and cargo loads of smaller magnitude, was fitted with a specially built loading sling for the wing at Robbins AFB in August.

At McDonnell Douglas Lambert, St. Louis, MO, loadmasters, Wayne Gaudin

and TSGT Egan Carroll used their newly gained expertise to load an F-15 wing onto the C-130.

In the past, the wing had to be moved by special air-ride truck conveyance which was costly and required extended delivery. The new technique will eliminate these obstacles.

The 159th, in this groundbreaking event, now has the capacity of supporting other units and their demands. MAJ Sandy McLeod, director of the OSA and a pilot on this mission, stated, "this will broaden the scope of the airlift capability of the OSA program."

"Our global military posture is designed to keep the peace. The presence and readiness of our armed forces, here and overseas, prevents small crises from becoming big ones, deters major hostilities, reassures allies, and provides for dealing with unforeseeable contingencies wherever they may arise."

— Gen. Colin L. Powell, chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff

256th Bde: Cooks Savor Connelly Award

By SPC Bernard Chaillot
256th Inf Bde PIO

The cooks of Det. 3, 199th Support Battalion were honored as the best in the state with the presentation of the Phillip A. Connelly Award during 256th Brigade annual training at Fort Polk in August.

But unlike the way the Alexandria unit savors the meals of its kitchen crew, the cooks had very little time to savor the honor, as they went directly from the presentation to regional competition.

The crew all received Army Achievement Medals which gleamed from their BDU shirts as they threw themselves into the proper execution of competition tasks.

Section chief SFC Newman Dupas directed the crew as each performed his or her duties with polished displays of skill.

SSG Gerald Smith, SPC Debra Cooper, SPC Tammy Creason, and joining the team especially for the competition, SGT Lillie Grigsby from Det. 4, moved together with well-honed professionalism as the judges looked on.

Grigsby took the place of SGT Willie Thomas, who was not at summer camp but was part of the team responsible for the Connelly Award. The section won the award as HHD, 199th Support Battalion before a recent reorganization changed the name of their unit.

Division Food Service Administrator for the brigade, CW4 Richard Bottrell, and brigade food service NCOIC, MSG Joseph Angelle toured the area with the judges and CW3 Joseph Higginbotham, acting commander of Det. 3 and a veteran of three Connelly Award-winning units.

A rumor circulated throughout the area like the aromatic smell of spaghetti sauce from the cooks' tent that Higginbotham was the driving force that motivated and inspired the kitchen crew to excellence.

"My first two Connellys were won as mess officer for Alpha Co., 199th Support Battalion, and I was able to offer this section some insights on how to win; but they deserve the credit themselves for showing the initiative and pulling it off," said Higginbotham.

"Actually, it's a unit award. The Connelly is not just for the best tasting meals, it's not a cook-off, it's for the best all-around field kitchen, and the whole unit has to participate," said Higginbotham.

Strict adherence to field sanitation and safety, as well as technical knowledge and expertise, administrative aspects, and command support are all important, he noted.

CW2 Sylvester Woodley and SFC Viola Jones served as judges, as they do throughout the eight-state regional competition.

Woodley is assigned to the 5th Army headquarters at Ft. Sam Houston, Texas, while Jones is attached to the Readiness Group out of Ft. Riley, Kansas.

"Now that they've won the state, the Det. 3 cooks are competing with kitchen sections from Missouri, Texas, Oklahoma, Kansas, Arkansas, New Mexico, and Nebraska," said Woodley.

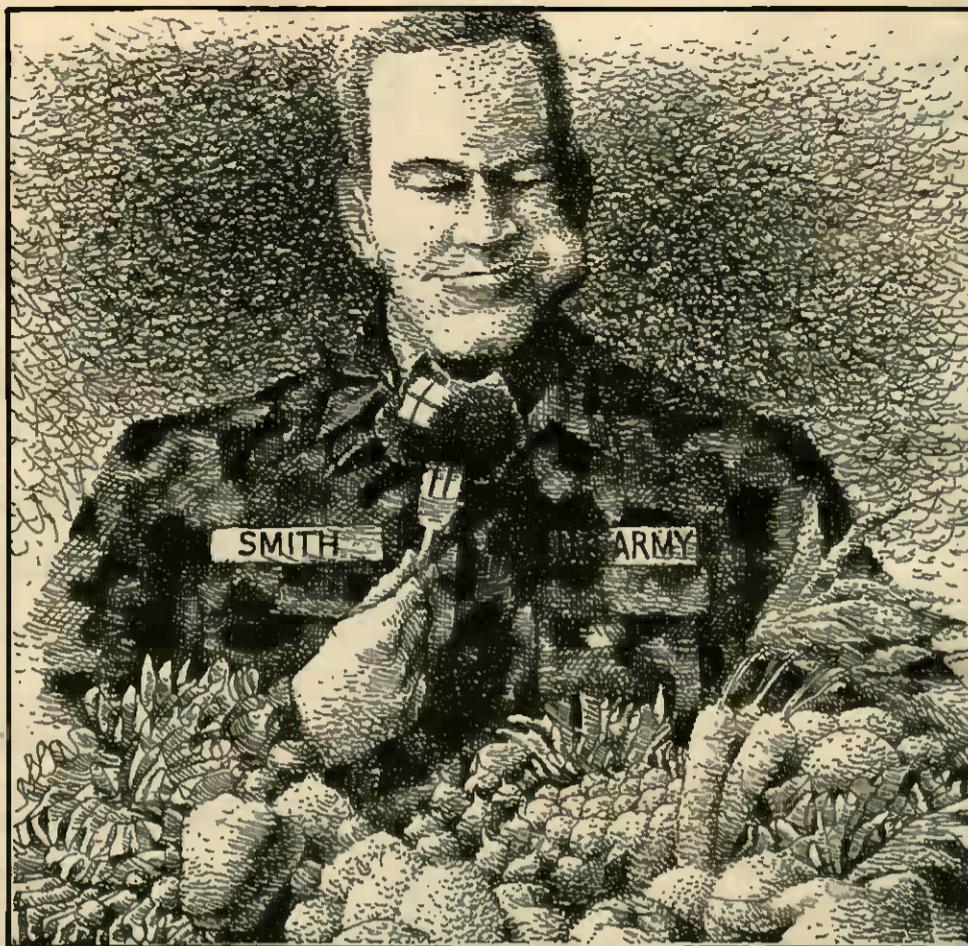
"There are lots of criteria to meet, pages and pages, as a matter of fact," he said as he flipped through a thick judging manual.

CW3 Paul Gilmore, full-time food service technician for the state, said the Det. 3 cooks beat out 83 other sections to win the Connelly in Louisiana.

"When a cook section makes it to this level, they really know what they're doing," added Angelle.

"The food is part of what we owe the soldiers," said Gilmore. "It's like part of their pay. If we don't give them a good meal, we're shorting them on what we owe them."

While troop acceptability of the meal is about one-fourth of the grade, basic soldiering skills, NCO responsibility and



command support all count for a lot too, said Gilmore.

Representing the command at the regional competition were brigade chief of staff COL Richard Averitt, as well as DOL logistics chief COL Billy Jack McGlothlin and maintenance officer LTC M.J. Gaspard.

SFC Anthony Alridge from the U.S. Army Readiness Group at Ft. Sill, Okla. walked through the competition area while HQ STARC food service sergeant SFC Frank Canzoneri, offered advice and encouragement.

"I update them on Army regulations and make sure they're working to standards," said Alridge. "The Readiness Group has no command authority, but we fill an advisory role and suggest improvements to the division," he said.

"Det. 3 was very receptive to the advice given today and showed an excellent knowledge of their jobs," added Canzoneri.

Asked if local cooking influences, such as Louisiana's renowned cuisine, could help out the team, Jones laughed and said "maybe, maybe not."

She explained that while for the most part, the Army's 14-day menu plan and recipe cards must be followed, deviations can be authorized under certain circumstances.

"If they can get the state menu board to authorize a special request and come up with approved recipes where the ingredients can be obtained through normal channels, they can come up with some pretty interesting dishes," she grinned.

"For instance," said Woodley. "Louisiana Guard units are probably the only units in the country who will occasionally be served crawfish etouffee or shrimp creole!"

Regional results will be announced in December, said judges Woodley and Jones.

MSG Everett Fills 256 TOC Void

By SFC Kirk J. Barrilleaux
256th Inf Bde PIO

When Sergeant Major John Quebodeaux took over as the command sergeant major of the brigade, this left a void in the operations of the TOC (Tactical Operations Center)

Called on to fill the duties of the senior enlisted man in the TOC was the former first sergeant for the Bde HHC company, MSG Donald J. Everett.

Everett comes to the Louisiana Guard from the HQ Company Battery 114 Field artillery (FA) in Greenwood, Mississippi. While in the Mississippi Guard, he was called on for state active duty a total of five different times. Everett first saw state duty during Hurricane Camille.

In 1980 his employer South Central Bell transferred him to Lafayette and he stayed in the Mississippi Guard for two more years.

In 1982, he decided to transfer to the Louisiana Guard and has been in since. Everett who is 39 years old has been in

the Guard for 21 years. He entered the Louisiana Guard as a member of Co. A, 199th Spt Bn. He was a Personnel Record Supervisor and stayed with the unit under several organizational changes.

He was the 1st Sgt for the unit and when the company commander, CPT Terry Dupuis, took command of the Bde HHC company, he took Everett along with him as his 1SG.

As the S-3 section supervisor, Everett is the highest ranking NCO in the TOC and is responsible for the operations.

Everett's duties include coordination of movements of the TOC, setting up the TOC and coordinating TOC personnel. He has to make sure information coming in is given to the right person and proper communications are established. He answers to his immediate supervisor, the Bde S-3 CPT Jadwin Mayeaux.

When asked what advice he would give a young soldier he was quick to say, "Have a positive response to change. Be willing to accept changes in job duties

and MOS's in positive manner. Be versatile."

Everett is married to the former Vonnie Deshotel from Church Point and has two children: a son, who is presently in the National Guard in the Bde HHC company and a daughter.

The new sergeant major has worked for South Central Bell for the last 17 years and is presently a Network Operations Supervisor with the Lafayette Office.

"This is the only part-time job in America you can retire on," he said.

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the 39th "got going" and their efforts were well received by the law enforcement active duty personnel stationed at Fort Polk. Said SGT Kip Casto, an active duty MP stationed at Fort Polk, "the National Guardsmen got right down to business, were highly qualified, well trained, looked great, were intelligent, and were not shy or in awe of active duty soldiers." Future training exercises have been established as a result of the favorable impression that was left by the MPs that participated in this exercise.

Probably the greatest impact was on the Guard soldiers themselves because this proved to be a wonderful learning experience for them. SSG Eddy Gai said that the training was excellent and that defending the perimeter was difficult but was achieved because the evaluators

were interested in providing training and performing the tasks correctly instead of performing the mission merely for evaluation purposes. 1LT Ryan Faulk stated that the soldiers came together as one without ever working together, and that they molded better than imagined. He further mentioned that the soldiers took advantage of the opportunity and walked away with as much as they could and that a cohesive bond has been established as a result of their combined efforts.

The efforts of the 239th and the 39th National Guard units have served to break down barriers many between the National Guard and active duty units by demonstrating, as a result of their training and enthusiasm, that they are able to perform their duties as MPs.

256th Engineers Marvel Over the SEE

By SPC Bernard Chaillot
256th Inf Bde PIO

The 256th Engineer Company from Opelousas were anxious and proud for everyone to see their new Mercedes-Benz powered piece of equipment, the SEE (Small Emplacement Excavator), at the Louisiana National Guard brigades' annual training in August at Fort Polk.

A combination front-end loader and backhoe, the SEE is a self-contained vehicle, powered by a 110 h.p. Mercedes-Benz diesel engine, that can achieve 46 m.p.h. highway speed. "One of the main improvements over the old backhoes' is that it's self-transporting," said SSG Jonathan Duplechain, engineers' section sergeant.

"We don't have to tie up a 10-ton truck and a trailer hauling it from place to

place," he noted.

One of the operators, SGT Nathan Parsley, ran down a list of the SEE's features like a proud father pointing out how adorable his new baby is. "It can dig field fortifications, load dump trucks, and drill. It also has a 3/4 yard, seven cubic foot bucket on the front with a lifting capacity of 3,300 pounds," grinned Parsley.

The SEE can ford water up to 30 inches deep (40 inches with fording equipment); it has a transmission with 16 forward gears and eight reverse gears, and is fueled from a 30 gallon diesel tank. It can dig 14 feet down, has a ground clearance of 17 inches, and is 250 inches long, 102 inches high, and 96 inches wide.

"This baby's got disc brakes all

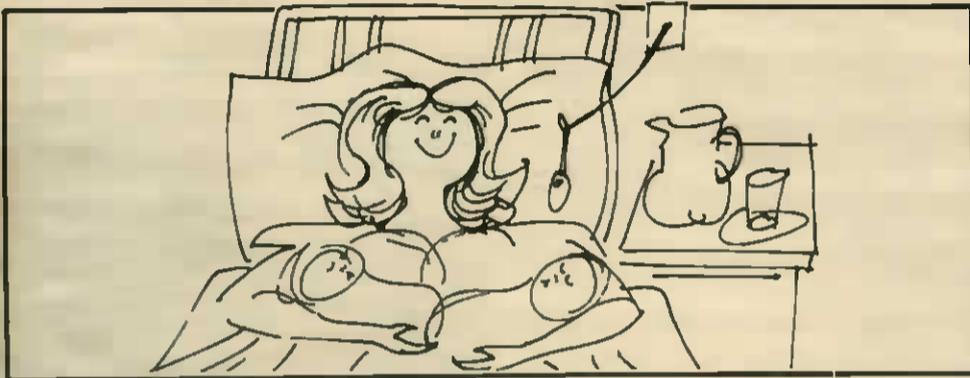
around, can shift into four-wheel drive on the fly, and has a fully-enclosed drive train and two pressurized undercarriages; dirt can't get in any of the components," said Parsley.

The SEE has a 24 volt battery system, oil coolers that kick in at 140 degrees, and an engine that will run on as little as nine pounds of oil pressure. "Just to give you a comparison, my jeep idles at 40 pounds. Nine pounds is next to nothing," said Parsley, whose fellow SEE operator in the engineer company is SPC Jude Taylor.

"As far as I know, the regular Army doesn't even have these yet, much less other Guard units," said Parsley of the \$85,000, 8 ton marvels. The SEE also has self-adjusting features including an

overturn compensator, said Parsley. "If you hit a pothole on the road, a log or something in the woods, it will correct itself," he said. "And when you're swinging the bucket, and happen to go too far, it will self-adjust instead of tipping the vehicle over," said Parsley.

The SEE can negotiate an incline up to 60 percent, just like a HMMWV, but is not designed to dig on a slope. "It's too top heavy for that. When the bucket swings to the down side the vehicle would tip; but with everything else it can do, not being able to work on an incline is a small sacrifice," said Parsley, who demonstrated its' digging power. The backhoe had a foxhole with perfect dimensions dug in about two minutes. "It can work faster than that, but I don't want to strain it," said Parsley.



Medic "Experiences a Lifetime"

By SPC Bernard Chaillot
256th Inf Bde PIO

FORT POLK - Rodney Houston, 21, a member of the St. Martinville Senior High class of '87, decided well before graduation to take charge of his life and make a difference in the world...to make it a better place if he could.

He never dreamed that along the way, he'd help bring new life into the world as well.

But that's the situation he found himself in as a Louisiana National Guard medic during AT.

"I was trained as a field medic, but was pressed into service in the Bayne-Jones Army Community Hospital labor and delivery room when a female medic who was scheduled for that duty came down with a bad case of poison ivy," said SPC Houston.

"I'd run from one room to the next, holding their hands, getting them ice chips to suck on, because they couldn't have anything to drink, and keeping an eye on the contraction and fetal heart rate charts on the wall," said Houston.

"I checked the mothers' vital signs, monitored their intravenous tubes, the protein and glucose levels in their blood, and kept tabs on the heartbeats of the babies," he said.

"When they'd go into labor, I was there for the ones who didn't have husbands in attendance," said Houston. "They squeezed my hand so hard, man I knew they were in pain."

"IT FELT LIKE I was helping with the delivery of my own children. The feelings I was having were almost indescribable," said Houston. "But I knew it was nothing compared to what those women were going through."

Asked in what way "the experience of a lifetime," as he described it, gave him a better understanding of what women endure during childbirth, Houston looked at the ground for a moment, then up through the trees at the gathering dusk, remembering and reliving in his head the afternoon at the hospital.

"They go through hell," he said finally. "The screaming... it not only opened up my ears - it opened up my eyes too. They were just so happy when it was over," he said softly.

"I helped in the delivery of four babies, including a set of twins delivered by Cesarean section," said Houston.

"I remember I kept saying to myself over and over, 'here's a life, here's another new life entering this world.' I was awed by it. It was like 'a miracle,'" he said, the emotion in his voice and quickly blinking eyes, poignant counterpoints to his rough, camouflaged appearance among the trappings of men at war.

"I just kept remembering my training and I got through it all right by doing the best I could do with the knowledge I had," he said.

With Guardsmen nationwide being activated for duty in Saudi Arabia or a stateside post to replace those called to the Middle East, Houston said he is ready to go if called.

"As a matter of fact, I wish I could volunteer," he said. "Just like I didn't want to leave it up to my mom and dad to pay for my education, even though I'm sure they would have done their best, I don't want to be here if I'm needed over there," said Houston.

"I'm ready to go and do my best to serve my country and help my fellow soldiers accomplish the mission and come home in one piece."

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Enlisted Convention Held In New Orleans

By SFC Kirk Barilleaux
256th Inf Bde PIO

The annual LANGEA convention was recently held at the Clarion Hotel on Canal Street in New Orleans. The convention was termed a huge success, with representatives from all the major Army and Air National Guard units from Louisiana in attendance.

The group will meet again in 1991 on Sept. 27-29 in Monroe, LA. The 1992 convention will be held in Lafayette. After discussion on funding, etc., it was agreed upon that Louisiana would bid on the 1996 National Convention to be held in New Orleans. The bid will be made at the 1991 National Convention.

Much concern was given to the raising of the large amount of money that would be needed to put on the convention. Suggestions were made to have local associations in the state hold fundraisers for the needed funds.

The highlight of the convention was the appearance and speech of MG Ansel M. Stroud, the Adjutant General. Gen. Stroud gave the group an overview of the Louisiana Guard at present. He spoke on the guard's readiness and their relationship to the active components. He also spoke about the new NCO Academy at Ball, La., stressing the importance of continued education.

Presently, one out of four members of the guard are attending college. The national trend for the guard was a decrease of about 10,000 last year, but this is not the case in Louisiana; the enlistments have risen.

Gen. Stroud told the group that in the near future, a new mechanized infantry battalion, the 4/156th would come into existence. They will be located somewhere along the I-20 corridor in north Louisiana. He also stated the possibility of a tactical control flight unit with 60 people located at Camp Beauregard. The unit would have equipment in Louisiana to support the Army at Fort Polk as well as the Air Force.

"The readiness has never been higher," Stroud said. "Not only in equipment, but



The Ladies' Auxiliary of the 256th Infantry Brigade presented MG A.M. Stroud with a commemorative hat during the meeting.

also in members. Asking the question, "What does a soldier constitute?" he answered, "a uniform and a rifle."

One of his goals is to have at least 95% of the men in every unit fire their own weapons in range qualifications.

In regards to the mobilization exercises, he felt they were of great importance and mentioned the unit which was recently alerted. He said that at the time of call up there is no time for adjustments and that the units need to be ready.

Speaking of the tough standards for

guardsmen, he says several have stated that the standards are too high, too tough and the standards should be lowered. Gen. Stroud made it clear that he did not agree with this opinion.

Gen. Stroud stated the mission of the National Guard is to provide the Air Force and Army with trained units. And he felt the units should stay together as a whole as they trained.

"Many people do not know that National Guard units were federalized for one year prior to the attack of Pearl Harbor and the importance the Louisiana components played in the national ef-

forts," he said.

Stroud ended with a report on the progress of the Louisiana State Military Museum at Jackson Barracks, thanking the guardsmen for their donations which made the museum possible.

The dedication is scheduled for Dec 7, 1991, the 50th anniversary of Pearl Harbor.

After his speech, Gen. Stroud was presented with several gifts from different units and several checks representing additional money raised on behalf of the museum.



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