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LT COL HEATH IS COMMANDER

Maj Gen Paul M. Booth, Adjutant General of Virginia, announced on 3 July 1968 the appointment of Lt Col Claude F. Heath to succeed Col Percy O. Gravatt, Jr, as Commander of the 192d Tactical Fighter Group. The appointment was retroactive to 1 July 1968.

Lt Col Heath, 41 years old, was born 10 May 1927 in Norfolk, Va. He attended Oceana School, Willard School, Bay View School, Granby High School, Blair Junior High School, and Great Bridge High School in Norfolk and environs and graduated from Great Bridge in June 1945. He also attended William and Mary College in Norfolk. His military training includes Air Force flying school which he completed in 1949, Photo Interpretation Course which he completed in 1952, Jet Qualification Course - 1957, ANG Jet Instrument Course - 1958, and TAC Sea Survival School - 1965.

Lt Col Heath is a Korean Conflict veteran with 223 Combat hours and 60 Aerial Missions in B-26 Aircraft to his credit. He was in Korea from July 1950 to March 1951. He also had foreign service in Europe during World War II and after his Korean Tour.

Awards and decorations which he has accrued as a result of this service are the World War II Victory Medal, Army of Occupation Medal, Korean Service Medal with



three Battle Stars, United Nations Service Medal, National Defense Service Medal with Bronze Service Star, the Air Force Longevity Service Award, Air Force Reserve Medal, and Small Arms Expert Marksmanship Ribbon.

The highlights of his civilian employment are Flight Training Supervisor for the Virginia Air National Guard from July 1954 to April 1959, Flight Facilities Inspector for the Federal Aviation Agency from April 1959 to February 1961, and Air Operations Officer again with the Virginia Air National Guard from February 1961 to 30 June 1968.

His military assignments within the Virginia Air National Guard have been as Air Operations Officer from Jul 54 to Jun 59, Air Operations Officer from Jan 61 to Mar 62, Flight Commander from Mar 62 to Oct 62, and Director of Operations from Oct 62 to 30 June 1968. He received his Command Pilot rating with the Virginia Air National Guard on 25 February 1964.

General Booth stated that "The purpose of this readjustment is to expand the headquarters of the Virginia Air National Guard and to provide a better organization to carry out the functions now prescribed." VaANG Headquarters was expanded by the appointment of Col Gravatt as Deputy Chief of Staff.

General Booth also appointed Maj William A. Williams, Jr, to succeed Lt Col Heath as Director of Operations.

These changes in military assignments will be followed by new jobs as civilian air technicians. Effective 14 July 1968, Lt Col Heath will become Base Detachment Commander and Maj Williams will succeed him as Air Operations Officer. Capt Hartwell F. Coke, Jr will succeed Maj Williams as Flying Safety Officer and Lt Col. Stuart E. Tompkins, Jr, will succeed Capt Coke as Flying Training Instructor.

MEMO FROM COLONEL GRAVATT

The hardest part of leaving my command is trying to express my true feelings to all of the personnel that have been under my command for the past three years and seven months. Accordingly, this will be my last memo to all of you professionals -- I mean that, and can speak from experience that you are professionals. You people have worked hard to make the 192d Group one of the finest F-84 units in the Air Guard. In the years of my command the unit has progressed from C-4 to C-2 combat ready ratings and has met every task assigned it. This could only have been accomplished by professionalism on your part.

If I could leave you with a legacy, it would be this: First, a willingness to listen -- listen to the officers and non-commis-

sioned officers appointed over you. Draw from their experience. If in doubt, ask their advice and follow it. The second thing I would leave you would be pride. Take pride in your Unit, your Section, your job, and most important, pride in yourself. When every man does his part and is proud of his accomplishments, collectively we have an unbeatable team. And third, and to me most important, love for your country and fellow man. This country was not settled by any one religious group, race, or ethnic group, but by persons of all backgrounds, religious faiths and members of all races. Together they built the greatest country the world has ever known. Let's keep it that way.

And now I would like to extend to every one of you my sincerest best wishes in your particular field of endeavor.

ANNUAL FAMILY PICNIC SCHEDULED

All members of the Virginia Air National Guard and their families are invited to a picnic, Saturday 13 July 1968, 1645 hours at the Club 149.

At a meeting of the Unit Fund Council during Field Training, it was decided that a family type picnic was more desirable than a Squadron Party at Camp.

So! Come one, come all! Hot dogs, hamburgers, potato salad, soft drinks, beer, etc. will be served. Also, toys for the little ones.

See you there!

NEXT UNIT TRAINING
ASSEMBLIES
SATURDAY, 13 JULY 1968
AND
SUNDAY, 14 JULY 1968

CAPSULE LAW

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(An AFNS Feature)

Though state laws differ in the way a will is executed, the main idea is much the same everywhere. The formalities aim to protect originator and his heirs.

Centuries ago spoken wills were permitted. Five witnesses could testify that Jones meant for Mary to be his beneficiary; but, alas, some scoundrel might even round up seven other witnesses, and then where would Mary be? Written wills do away with all that.

Except for holographic wills which a person writes out in his own hand completely, a will is executed by (1) publication, (2) signature, and (3) attestation.

In publication the writer tells at least two witnesses that what he is about to sign is his will, and then he signs it as they look

on.

In signature the will is signed while both parties look on. When the witnesses sign the will, they attest the fact that they saw the originator of the will sign the paper. They don't need to read the will; they need only to sign it to show that they saw it being signed.

The will should be placed in a safe place where it can easily be found and checked periodically to see if there should be any change to it because of changed circumstances in the life of the originator or his heirs. The will can be revoked or changed by a codicil, but not by interlineations or marginal notes.

It is best to have a lawyer help in these things. First, he knows how to accomplish the will so that a court can carry them out with the minimum of cost and trouble, and second, he may be able to advise ways to save on taxes or to solve special problems.

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The Virginia Air National Guard NCO Association will hold its regular monthly meeting at 1630 hours, Saturday, 13 July 1968, in the Club.

PERSONNEL CORNER

The following personnel, having been promoted from the grade of Airman Basic to the grade of Airman by the Air Force while undergoing Active Duty for Training, were re-promoted by the Air National Guard on the dates shown. The ANG date of rank coincides with that awarded by the Air Force.

192d COMBAT SUPPORT SQUADRON

BURRUSS, WAYNE A. 12 Jan 68
GLENN, JOHN R. 22 Mar 68

192d CAMRON

FORD, GERALD R. 15 Mar 68
LIMBRICK, TED F. 15 Mar 68
SPROUSE, THOMAS E. 12 Jan 68
WHITE, ARNOLD L. 15 Mar 68

The following appointments and enlistments were made within the units indicated during the months of May and June 1968:

149th TACTICAL FIGHTER SQUADRON

2LT EVERETT, DONALD E. 31 May 68

192d TACTICAL FIGHTER GROUP

AB VANDENBROEK, KENNETH W. 18 Jun 68

192d COMBAT SUPPORT SQUADRON

AB DONNER, EUGENE D. JR 16 May 68
AB DUDLEY, JAMES W. JR 9 May 68
AB HALL, DELBERT H. JR 11 May 68
AB PUTT, GEORGE T. 11 May 68
AB RHODES, JASPER W. III 10 May 68
AB STRONG, JAMES D. JR 9 May 68
AB YOUNG, LESTER L. 11 May 68

192d SUPPLY SQUADRON

2LT CARRERAS, JAMES P JR 11 May 68

192d TAC DISPENSARY

TSG EDMONDS, REGINALD V. 4 May 68

192d CAMRON

AIC GILBERT, HARRY L. 18 May 68
SGT SYLVIA, WAYNE P. 18 Jun 68

The following personnel re-enlisted in the Virginia Air National Guard in May and June 1968

192d COMBAT SUPPORT SQUADRON

SSG KNIESCHE, EARNEST B 8 May 68

192d CAMRON

SSG ESPERDY, ROBERT C. 9 May 68
TSG PRICE, JAMES R. 5 Jun 68
SSG SPIERS, LAWRENCE E JR 7 Jun 68

The following personnel were discharged from the Virginia Air National Guard in May and June 1968:

149th TACTICAL FIGHTER SQUADRON

CPT HORTON, RICHARD E. 28 Jun 68

192d CAMRON

AB EVERETT, DONALD E. 30 May 68
CAPT GAUNTLETT, CHARLES W. 13 May 68
SGT HAYMES, EUGENE S. 8 Jun 68
TSG LUTZ, DAVID S. 19 May 68
AIC NUCKOLS, JOSEPH S. 22 May 68

192d SUPPLY SQUADRON

SGT CARRERAS, JAMES P JR 10 May 68
AIC COFFMAN, STEPHEN E 17 May 68
AMN LAVIER, ROBERT H. 13 May 68

192d COMMUNICATIONS FLT (SPT)

SSG MOORE, PAUL E. 17 May 68

The following officers were promoted to the grades indicated on the dates shown:

149th TACTICAL FIGHTER SQUADRON

1LT BAKER, ROBERT L. 17 May 68
1LT DAVIDSON, EDGAR M. 15 May 68
1LT SHEFFIELD, MAJOR J. 15 Jun 68
LTC TOMPKINS, STUART E. 26 May 68

Effective 1 Jul 68, the following changes were made to AFSC's held by VaANG airmen:

AFSC 322X1: Shredouts "Q" for APQ-120 Weapons Control System and shredout "S" for AN/APQ-126 Weapons Control Systems are authorized. VaANG personnel will retain shredout "N".

AFSC 361X0: The title is now (Apprentice) Outside Wire and Antenna Maintenance (Repairman) and Repair Technician).

AFSC 422X0: A new AFSC, 325X1, (Apprentice) Avionics Instrument Systems (Specialist)(Technician), has been created from among men holding this AFSC. No VaANG men were awarded the new AFSC.

AFSC 47170: Two new AFSC's replace this AFSC. 47271, Special Vehicle Maintenance Technician, and 47371, General Purpose Vehicle & Body Maintenance Technician. VaANG personnel are awarded the latter.

AFSC 47130/50: These AFSC's are recoded and retitled as 47230/50, (Apprentice) Base Maintenance Equipment Repairman.

AFSC 47131/51: These AFSC's are recoded and retitled as 47330/50, (Apprentice) General Purpose Vehicle Repairman.

AFSC 47132/52: These AFSC's are recoded and retitled as 47231/51, (Apprentice) Special Vehicle Repairman.

AFSC 47133/53: These AFSC's are recoded and retitled as 47331/51, (Apprentice) Vehicle Body Repairman.

YOUR TELEPHONE is the deadliest instrument on your desk. Our enemy learns more classified intelligence from your phone conversations than from any other source. When in doubt, Zip Your Lip.

CAMRON WINS ALL PRIZES

Individual teams from CAMRON won all of the silver. The intramural athletic program during field training, 1-15 June 68, proved to be "easy pickings" for the 192d Consolidated Aircraft Maintenance Squadron.

Under the direction of Captain Kenneth E. Gathright, Athletic Coordinator for the 192d Tac Ftr Grp, forty-two teams were formed, principally by FAC, and participated in single elimination tournaments in basketball, softball, and volleyball.

Captain Raymond A. Germain's "CAMRON 5" team edged by Captain George W. Davis' 149 TFG basketball team 23-21.

"CAMRON 3" captained by CMS Harvey Mahoney won a double elimination in volleyball over TSG James Gwaltney's "CAMRON 4", 15-13 and 15-7.

Ten innings were required to decide the winner in soft ball. TSG Gwaltney's "CAMRON 4" eased by BEMO captained by Sgt Allen R. Smith with a score of 3-2.

Members of the winning teams were as follows:

Softball:

- J. M. Gwaltney, Capt
V. E. Woosley
J. R. Madison, Jr.
G. M. Hormann
B. P. Jackson
G. G. Ellyson
W. C. Harr
S. J. Gormain
C. H. Foster, Jr.
F. D. Morecock
P. M. Lonie
R. E. Merchant
H. M. Baisden

Basketball:

- R. L. Germain, Capt
B. W. Bailey
J. P. Blunt
P. W. Carlson
C. A. Droog
W. R. Fridley
C. E. Hall
L. J. McAdams
D. L. Holley

Volleyball:

- H. L. Mahoney, Capt
G. R. Smith
J. L. Johnson
F. R. Whipple, Jr.
J. M. Roach
G. T. Reardon
W. D. White
W. F. Winn, Jr.
B. P. Scafidi

Trophys will be awarded during General Military Training.

Exact winner or winners of the Golf Tournament have not been determined. However, it is the consensus of opinion that MSG C. R. Lewis lost (?) most of the balls.



