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Inspection Scheduled 13-17 Feb 70

Under the provisions of AFR 123-5, HQ VaANG and the 192d Tactical Fighter Group have been scheduled for a General Inspection during the period of 13-16 February 1970.

Annual Inspections of the Air National Guard Base Detachment, Assistant USPFPO Function, Air Force Advisor, and 192d Dispensary will be conducted during the same period.

The full cooperation of all members of the Virginia Air National Guard is required if we are to again successfully pass this inspection. Now is the time to check your uniforms. Do they still fit you correctly? Will your shoes and hats still be in good condition? If you take action now, there should be no excuse for not appearing in a first class uniform next February.



Shown above are TSG Garland Hamlett and TSG Carper "Hutch" Hutchison telling visitors to the State Fair the Virginia Air National Guard Story

MERCY MISSION

Through eager enthusiasm, quick response and a great deal of professionalism, members of the Virginia Air National Guard were instrumental in the successful kidney transplant at the Medical College of Virginia on 12 September 1969.

On 12 September 1969, Major T. R. Howell contacted Col Heath as to the possibility of using Virginia Air National Guard Aircraft to pick up donor organs. Major Howell was informed that flights of that nature would be considered mercy flights and would be authorized if they were within the capability of this unit to perform. On this same date, members of the Medical College Transplant Center Staff contacted Major Howell that a kidney donor was available in Atlanta, Georgia and wanted to know if the Virginia Air National Guard would make the pick up and return the kidney to Richmond to be transplanted in a patient at the Medical College.

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Cut Back

Recently, the Department of Defense issued directives implementing the President's budget instructions to reduce Fiscal Year 1970 expenditures \$3.0 billion below those proposed in the FY 1970 budget. This action has been assigned the title, Project 703. In response to these directives, the ANG was required to identify program reductions equating to \$16.0 million in the Operation and Maintenance Appropriation and \$6.0 million in the National Guard Personnel, AF Appropriation.

In general terms, the following program reductions will be initiated. The flying hour program will be reduced 5%. The air technician program will be reduced by 397 manyears and 312 end strength positions. The Major Repair and Minor Construction program has been reduced by \$300,000. The funding in the supply and equipment areas will be reduced by \$3.2M. Based on

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VaANG AT THE STATE FAIR

As many thousands of Virginians visited the State Fair, one of the finest exhibits they saw was the VaANG Exhibit in the Commonwealth Building. The VaANG booth contained a variety of Air National Guard information and equipment. Three different Air National Guard Films were shown the public at the Fair. Visitors to the VaANG Exhibit were also shown a rocket pod, a machine gun and various fuses and arms. One of the most popular displays at the VaANG Booth was a model of our F-84F. Various articles of Air Force Clothing were also displayed, and attracted a great deal of attention.

Lt. Basil Evans, and his staff are to be congratulated for a great job of putting the VaANG Exhibit together. The Virginia Air National Guard was well represented at the 1969 State Fair of Virginia.

October 18 and 19



(An AFNS Feature)

As a rule, a spoken agreement between two persons is as good as a written one, except you can't prove it or enforce it as easily. In good faith the other party may have a different story to tell. He may remember only the terms of the agreement that favor him.

The courts may not enforce certain kinds of contracts unless they are in writing - such as those dealing with land, those that cannot be carried out within one's lifetime, or contracts to make a will. But, if need be, the existence of an oral agreement can be proved indirectly.

An oral promise can be enforced if it can be shown that such a contract existed. An oral promise to will a sum of money might be proved by the fact that a woman quit a good job to care for the testator for years. A promise to sell land might be shown when the seller allowed the buyer to make improvements on the land before the intended date of transfer.

An oral promise to sell someone a car might be inferred from the fact that the buyer gave the seller a part payment and then sought a loan for the rest, especially if the seller went along to help the buyer get the loan.

A memorandum of an oral agreement, even notes on the back of the old envelope, might help prove the existence of the agreement. But a well-drafted will or a written contract will probably save you misunderstanding, time, money, litigation and possible loss.

Consult your Legal Assistance Officer for advice. He can draw up simple written agreements for you.

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CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

The following is some observations from Vietnam by an Air Force Chaplain. With so much written in criticism of our involvement in Southeast Asia, it is helpful to read something in support. Our chaplains there are very much involved with the Vietnamese people:

"I am writing this to express some of my thoughts and impressions of the much discussed but little understood country of Vietnam. It is a truly beautiful country with rugged, green mountains, deep blue lakes, and lovely seashores. If the country survives the present struggle, it could well become a tourist spot for the world. The cities beckon with their exotic thrills. The jungles teem with tigers, elephants, and other animals to support jungle safaris. The highlands boast a hot sun with cool shade and pleasant evenings.

During the day it is fairly quiet and peaceful, although aircraft of all types are ever coming and going on their various missions. The nights are very different. It is, indeed, a strange war. We control the area during the daylight hours; the enemy controls the area at night. He moves about, striking where he can to let us know he is around. You may sit on our patio, listening to the boom of artillery and bombs-watching the tracers and flames light the dark skies. Frankly, it's unbelievable.

"Charlie" is a tough, wiley enemy with a fanaticism that just won't quit. He may be Viet Cong or a professional soldier from the Regular Army of the North Vietnamese, but he is a dedicated soldier who will squirm naked through barbed wire and mine fields to blow up aircraft, buildings, etc. He is completely inhumane and thinks nothing of murdering innocent and harmless villagers. A local Vietnamese missionary told me that they enter a village and murder the leaders and men who will not cooperate. The women are taken with them to do their menial tasks and to be used in whatever ways they may see fit. It becomes easy to hate the evil system these men represent with its utter disregard of human suffering and life. Need we question why these Americans over here are so dedicated to their tasks?

Just recently, I visited the Army Evacuation Hospital for our area. It was filled with Montag-

nard women and children (babies 2-5 years old) who had their village attacked by the enemy the night before. This village has no tactical value whatsoever as far as warfare is concerned. They are just a bunch of harmless people trying to exist, but the Communist system does not consider anyone harmless. It would bring tears to your eyes to see our GI's, wounded themselves, coddling these little children-feeding them-carrying them around soothing their hurts and just plain loving them. It makes you proud to be an American. The Vietnamese get the same care in our hospitals as our own men."

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When the request came to the 149th Fighter Squadron Operations, Maj. W. P. Lemmond and H. H. King and Captain's J. P. Gunter Jr. and W. E. Rose eagerly volunteered to make the flight. Within an hour the aircraft were dispatched and on their way to Atlanta, Georgia to make the pick up. Piloted by Major Lemmond and Major King, who won the toss of the coin.

The ways were greased for a rapid/no delay flight when the FAA Flight Service Centers were notified as to the nature of the mission. Throughout the entire time, Major Howell and Captain Rose were in almost constant communication with the medical people at Atlanta and the Medical College of Virginia coordinating the pick up and delivery of the kidney.

The happy ending of this story is that the patient receiving the donor kidney is recovering very well at the Medical College of Virginia.

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this, approximately 10% of the total BA issued in this area will be withdrawn. Depot maintenance will be reduced by \$5.5M. The Basic Military Training Program (BMT) will be reduced 3800 spaces. The school training program will be reduced 8%. Special training mandays will be reduced by approximately 18%.

Obviously, such program reductions will necessitate downward revisions to the funding levels currently distributed to your units and activities. The NG Bureau staff is currently identifying specific program reductions by unit. These changes will be forwarded in the very near future. Related funding withdrawals will be reflected on future fund documents, commencing with the 1 October 1969 document.

SECURITY POLICE

NCO of the Month

CAPTAIN WILLIAM J. MONAHAN
** WELCOME ABOARD **

1. MILITARY UNIFORM AND BEARING

Beginning with the October, 1969, UTA, the Security Police will be checking on discrepancies on military bearing and uniforms. Reports of such discrepancies will be sent to the Group Commander and the airman's Squadron Commander for follow-up action. Follow-up action will be recorded on the reverse side of the copy submitted to the airman's Squadron Commander and is to be returned to the Group Commander.

2. PASS AND REGISTRATION

Personnel are reminded again that the Security Police Pass and I.D. Section is located in the Beulah Road Gatehouse. I.D. Cards, Restricted Area Badges and Bumper Decals for POV's are issued at this location. Personnel clearing the base will also report to Pass and I.D. with clearance slip I.D. Card and Restricted Area Badge. Bumper Decals will be removed from vehicles prior to clearing the base.

3. MOTOR VEHICLE SAFETY

"Persons transported in the bed of a truck will be seated. They will not ride on top of cargo and no part of their body will extend outside of the truck bed while they are seated. (Para h(1), 192d TFG Reg 125-1)."

CHANGE IN UP-GRADE PROCEDURE

Effective October UTA the up-grade classification boards (#1, 2, and 3) will be discontinued. Normal up-grade actions will be initiated by supervisors as in the past and final approval authority will be the individuals Squadron Commanders. All previous requirements for upgrading will remain the same.

READING MATERIAL AVAILABLE IN INFORMATION OFFICE

We call your attention to the reading material that is received each month by the Information Office. Such informational items as The Airman, The Armed Forces Journal, TAC Attack, and The Guardsman are available for your information and enjoyment. The Information Office has established a reading table for this purpose, and you are encouraged to look over this wealth of United States Armed Forces Information.

TSgt James F. Clawson has been named the outstanding N.C.O. for the Month of September for the Virginia Air National Guard.

Sgt Clawson enlisted in the Virginia Air National Guard in January of 1964. He is presently serving as the Instrument Trainer Technician in the Link Training Section.

Clawson was born in Martinsville, Virginia in 1942. He is a graduate of Thomas Dale High School, Chester, Virginia. In 1963 Sgt Clawson graduated from Richmond Professional Institute (V.C.U.). He is employed by the United States Geological Survey as an Electronic Technician. Jim lives at 3532 N. Fullerton Road, Woodbridge, Virginia with his wife, the former Dian Hess. Water sports and woodworking occupy Sgt Clawson's leisure time.

SMS Jack Maynard recommended TSgt Clawson very highly as N.C.O. of the month. Maynard stated that Sgt Clawson was a very highly experienced and qualified airman, and was indeed an asset to the Virginia Air National Guard. In addition to distinguishing himself at Byrd Field, Sgt Clawson has brought honor to himself and the unit while on active duty. Col. Garth L. Reynolds, Commander, 4554th Combat Crew Training Wing (TAC) wrote Lt. Col. Claude Heath, Commander of the 192d TFG, saying that TSgt Clawson had made a significant contribution during two weeks active duty with the 4554th. SMS Frank H. Alexander, of the 4554th also wrote to Col. Heath about Sgt Clawson stating, "TSgt James F. Clawson, FG224568391, demonstrated outstanding knowledge of electronics and electronic circuits as applied to the training devices field. His desire to work and devotion to duty was exemplary. During his two weeks active duty at this installation he assisted in the alignment and calibration. His outstanding performance of this task is recognized and greatly appreciated at this installation." Lt. Col. Jack H. Harper, Jr., Acting Director of Operations of the 4554th Combat Crew Training Wing (TAC) wrote saying, "I add my thanks to TSgt James F. Clawson for his professional assistance on the C-11C instrument flying trainer. Not only did he perform in an outstanding manner, but also gave the finest cooperation in every instance no matter what problems were involved. Please convey my appreciation to him."

We congratulate TSgt James F.

Capt. William J. Monahan joined the VaANG on 6 September 1969 after release from active duty where he was an instructor pilot. He was born and raised in Blackstone, Virginia, and graduated from V.P.I. in 1963. His parents are William J. and June Monahan of Blackstone. Captain Monahan presently lives in Williamsburg with his wife Phyllis and six month old son, William Joseph, and he is a law student there at the College of William and Mary. Part time hobbies and pursuits include sailing, teaching, and of course, FLYING.

CLUB NEWS

The club will be closed on the following dates:

Saturday - 1 November 1969
Pilot's Dining In

Saturday - 13 November 1969
192d TFG Officer's Party

Saturday - 20 December 1969
192d Airmen's Party

Friday & Saturday - 26&27 Dec
Holidays

Unit members are again reminded that club dues are due and payable this month. Applications are available from all Club Council Members and at the club. Your membership and participation in the club is greatly needed.

NOTICE!

CDC/ECT End of Course Tests will be administered at 1300, Sunday UTA at the Assembly Hall. Attendance will be mandatory unless excused by Squadron Commanders?

ARTICLES FOR THE VANGUARD

We invite you to submit articles of interest to the VANGUARD. Is your squadron or section planning a special project? Have you been recognized for a particular job? Contact the Information Office with items of interest to all VaANG Guardsmen. This is your base newspaper, so why not contribute to it's content! The Information Office is located in Room 7 of the O & T Building.

Clawson for being selected N.C.O. of the month for the Virginia Air National Guard and salute him on a job well done.

Personnel Changes

The following non-prior service applicants were enlisted into the units indicated during the month of September 1969.

192D COMBAT SUPPORT SQUADRON

AB SCHULTZ, S. G.
AB MARTIN, C. W. JR.

192D CAMRON

AB HODGES, M. T.
AB MORRIS, G. P.

192D SUPPLY SQUADRON

AB BRUFFEY, N. R.

192D COMBAT SUPPORT SQUADRON

TSG CECCHINI, A. L.

192D SUPPLY SQUADRON

SGT COOPER, W. S. JR.

192D TAC DISPENSARY

SSG HIERS, J. C.

HQ, 192D TACTICAL FIGHTER GROUP

SSG WIGGINS, T. K.

149TH TACTICAL FIGHTER SQUADRON

SSG HELTON, G. L.

The following personnel were promoted to grades indicated.

192D COMMUNICATIONS FLIGHT (SPT)
TSG COUSINS, C. L. JR. 1 Sept

192D CAMRON

SSG DROOG, C. A. 1 Sept
SGT STANLEY, F. W. 1 Sept
A1C BRIDGEFORTH, W. L. 1 Sept
A1C DUFFY, D. R. 1 Sept
A1C PURYEAR, R. E. 1 Sept

192D COMBAT SUPPORT SQUADRON

A1C JOHNSON, J. P. III 1 Sept
A1C RHODES, J. W. III 1 Sept
A1C SMITH, G. E. JR. 1 Sept

192D TAC DISPENSARY

SSG GROOME, J. R. 1 Sept

192D SUPPLY SQUADRON

SGT MCKENZIE, J. E. JR. 1 Sept

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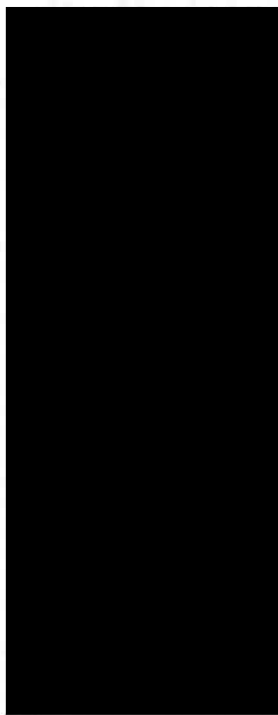
192D CAMRON

SGT BALES, E. A.
SGT STORRS, E. M. JR.

192D COMBAT SUPPORT SQUADRON

SSG GURD, F. H.

The following personnel were discharged from the Virginia Air



If you buy one \$50 Series E Savings Bond each month (purchase price \$37.50) for the next 17 years, your 204 Bonds will be worth \$10,964 at the end of these 17 years—assuming that the present 4.15 per cent interest rate will be in effect.

National Guard during the month of September 1969.

192D CAMRON

SSG GARRETT, W. L.
SSG PIERSA, F. R.
SSG RHODES, R. D.
SSG STEWART, P. W.

192D COMMUNICATIONS FLIGHT (SPT)

TSG COUSINS, C. L.

The following personnel extended their enlistment in the Virginia Air National Guard for a period of three (3) years.

192D COMBAT SUPPORT SQUADRON

SMS COUSINS, L. A. 11 Sept

192D CAMRON

SSG DIXON, T. R. 27 Sept

A Privilege and An Honor

Back in 1789 and again in 1792 the Federalist party put up a candidate for President. He was George Washington, and he had no opposition in either election.

The popular vote in those days is unknown but the Electoral College gave Washington 69 and 132 votes.

The first Presidential election in which there was opposition was in 1796 when John Adams, a Federalist, defeated Thomas Jefferson, a Democrat Republican, 71 to 68.

It wasn't until 1824 that a popular vote record was kept. The count was 105,000 for John Quincy Adams and 155,000 for Andrew Jackson. (And because neither candidate received a majority, Adams was elected by the House of Representatives.)

In 1968, more than 72 million popular votes were counted.

Voting interest has broadened. Some persons mail home ballots from half way around the world. A few states permit 18-year-olds to vote.

The interest factor is of paramount importance. If eligible persons do not have enough interest in candidates and elections to vote—then those eligible delinquents have flimsy grounds upon which to launch a complaint about activities of office holders, or the state of affairs in general.

Several states are holding off-year elections this fall. The well-being of the citizens in those states should be considered by every voter, whether that voter be at home or stationed overseas.

Good citizenship makes voting an obligation. It also is a privilege. The word "privilege" should be given full consideration—that privilege can be lost under certain conditions.

Also, that privilege is something that millions of people around the world are denied. They do not have the right to vote for their leaders. And many who do have such a "right" are denied honest elections.

Americans have the right to vote and it should be looked upon as one of the most precious rights Americans have ever known.

Keep that in mind.—AFPS

