

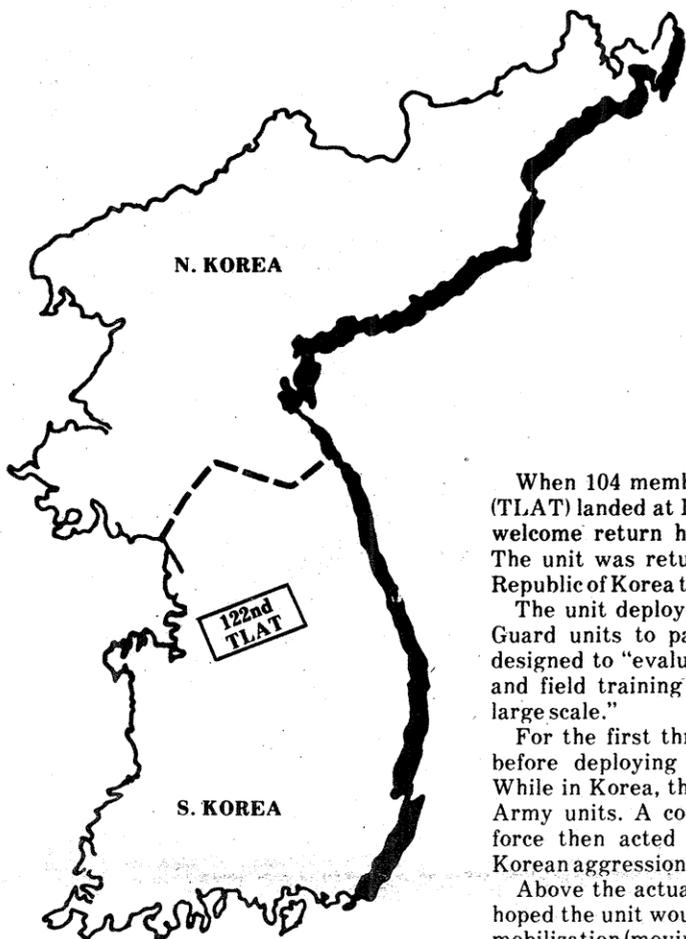
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Co. A, 122nd TLAT comes home a winner; participated in exercise in Korea



When 104 members of Winder's Company A, 122nd Infantry (TLAT) landed at Dobbins AFB, Ga. in April, it was a happy and welcome return home from cold weather and a foreign land. The unit was returning from a three-week deployment in the Republic of Korea to participate in the exercise "Team Spirit."

The unit deployed in mid-March as one of only two National Guard units to participate in the exercise. Team Spirit was designed to "evaluate and improve combined-force mobilization and field training under simulated battlefield conditions on a large scale."

For the first three days, the battalion stayed in a tent city, before deploying to the unit's designated "maneuver box." While in Korea, the anti-tank battalion was attached to regular Army units. A combined Army, Navy, Marine and Air Force force then acted out a scenario based on communist North Korean aggression across the 38th Parallel into the South.

Above the actual field environment, Guard officials said they hoped the unit would be able to bring back lessons learned about mobilization (moving from a reserve to active-duty status).

"Moving some 100 men and their equipment from Winder to the Korean countryside is a monumental task," said Capt. Wayne Hale, commander of Company A.

The battalion began planning for the exercise in August 1984, and included several trips to Korea and hundreds of hours of extra duty to map out the mobilization strategy, said Hale.

Battalion commander, Maj. Robert Hughes noted that by actually deploying overseas the unit went "through the steps, and learned how to move equipment as well as people."

Besides performing in a foreign land, members of Company A also had to learn to communicate with the population. Prior to the deployment, members of the unit were required to learn seven Korean phrases, ranging from "Who is there? (Nu Gunya?) to "Medic" (Josim Hara).

During the exercise, Company A was part of the "Blue" team, while opposing troops wore orange headbands.

In a letter to Capt. Hale and members of Company A, Maj. Gen. Joseph W. Griffin, the adjutant general, and Brig. Gen. Donald Burdick, assistant adjutant general for Army, expressed their appreciation. "We who were not able to go with you," wrote the generals, "know that the U.S. Army in Korea realized that they got the very best. They will know that you are patriots and true soldiers." The generals were on hand to greet the unit when they returned.

More on Winder Guardsmen at "Team Spirit" — See photo story on pages 10, 11.

Hewell, McCormick, Sutton win 1986 Atlanta Journal Awards

Three Georgia National Guardsmen were among six reservists honored May 3 during the 21st annual Atlanta Journal Army Reserve Component Achievement Awards ceremony.

Durwood McAlister, editorial page editor of the Atlanta Journal, presented plaques to the award recipients at a ceremony held at the East Point Army Reserve Center.

Georgia Guard winners were Master Sgt. Gerald M. Hewell, Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 1st Battalion, 214th Field Artillery, Elberton; Sgt. Brenda M. Sutton, 122nd Rear Area Operations Center, Lawrenceville; and Pfc. Terry L. McCormick of Atlanta's 190th Military Police Company.

Receiving awards from the Army Reserve

were Master Sgt. Robert D. Prickett, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 449th Theater Area Support Group, Forest Park; Sgt. Vanessa M. Hightower, 324nd Adjutant General Detachment, Rome; and Pfc. Dexter V. Porter, Headquarters, 1188th Military Ocean Terminal Unit, East Point.

Soldiers are nominated for the awards by their commanders based on leadership ability, military proficiency, exemplary conduct, loyalty, enthusiasm and instructional ability.

In remarks during the ceremony, Brig. Gen. Donald Burdick, assistant adjutant general for Army, Georgia Army National Guard, said that the award recipients were "the best of the best...we are proud of them and their families."

The Atlanta Journal annually presents awards to three National Guardsmen and three Army Reservists in three enlisted grade categories: private through private first class, corporal through staff sergeant and sergeant first class through sergeant major.

Two Guardsmen, 'trainer' honored by 2nd Army

The Second U.S. Army has honored two Georgia National Guardsmen and a full-time trainer to the Georgia Guard, with its prestigious "Soldier of the Year and Non-Commissioned Officer of the Year" awards.

Sgt. Eric Wendell Wilmarth of Marietta's Headquarters Co., 265th Engineer Group was named the 1985 "Soldier of the Year", while fellow Guardsman Sgt. 1st Class James C. Holland of Macon's Headquarters Co., 48th Infantry Brigade took home the "Non-Com" award: Sgt. 1st Class Dale Allen Conner II, assigned to Albany's Headquarters Co., 2nd Battalion, 121st Infantry, was named "Soldier of the Year — Active Component."

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JOURNAL RECOGNIZES GUARDSMEN. From left: Durwood McAlister, Atlanta Journal; Master Sgt. Gerald Hewell; Pfc. Terry McCormick; Sgt. Brenda Sutton and Brig. Gen. Donald Burdick.

Good training called 'exhilarating, beneficial'

By Sgt. Walter Denson, Jr.
Georgia Army National Guard

As we all know, "TRAINING" is very rewarding and beneficial to the soldier who seeks it in order to improve his or her job performance and efficiency. I am not writing this memoir about attending school, but about the importance of training.

Training must be done by a person who represents a suitable role model for soldiers. That model is the officer or NCO.

When you have insufficiently trained personnel, they will be inefficient. Thus the result will be excess costs, time lapses and sometimes even dangerous situations.

In my view, a manager's or supervisor's output is the output of his organization, no more or no less. A supervisor's productivity depends on eliciting increased output from his team.

An officer or a non-commissioned officer generally has two ways to raise the level of an individual performance. First, by increasing motivation, the desire of each soldier to do his job well; and secondly by increasing a soldier's individual capability, which is where training comes in. It is generally accepted that motivation is a key task of all officers and non-commissioned officers, one that can't be delegated to anyone else.

Similarly, to be effective, training must be reliable and consistent. Soldiers should be able to count on something systematic and scheduled (regardless of what area it is to be applied), not a rescue effort summoned to solve the problem of the moment. In other words, training should be a systematic and dynamic process, not an event.

If you apply training along with motivation to improve the performance of your subordinates, then what you teach must be closely tied to what you practice. Training needs to be a continuing process rather than a one time event. It is clear that the "WHO" of the training is "YOU".

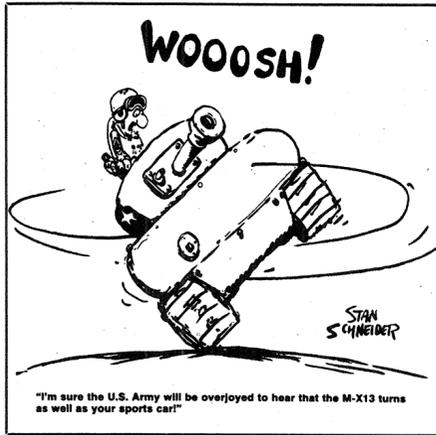
You will find that when the training process goes well, it is nothing short of exhilarating. And this exhilaration is dwarfed by the warm feeling you'll get when you see a soldier practice something you've taught. Relish this exhilaration and warmth.

New medal for former POWs announced

Members of all services and some 20 veterans groups have been asked to help design a new military medal recognizing prisoners of war.

The award will rank in precedence, in the language of the law, "before any other service medal, campaign medal, or service ribbon authorized to be displayed..."

It will be retroactive and will be awarded to former POWs still on active duty or who served since April 6, 1917, and received an honorable discharge. It also will be available to the legal heirs of deceased POWs who have served in the armed



Defense vital to nation's security

Responding to threats to his proposed fiscal 1987 budget, President Ronald Reagan warned in a nationally televised speech on Feb. 26 that any signal the United States sends that it has lost its commitment to defense could jeopardize important groundwork already laid.

Military strength, said the president, "is the most persuasive argument we have to convince our enemies to negotiate seriously and to stop bullying other nations."

He pointed to the U.S. defense posture just five years ago, when public confidence in the U.S. military was way down—along with manpower strength, equipment availability, unit readiness and defense funding.

Reagan contrasted this with the reversal that has taken place since the United States made the commitment to rebuild its forces:

- Not one square inch of territory has been lost to communist domination since the United States started rebuilding its forces five years ago, and Grenada has been set free.

- Despite Soviet intimidation, the Western Alliance is pumping up its defenses with deployment of Pershing and cruise missiles.

- The U.S. armed forces are attracting the highest quality men and women ever, and morale is at an all-time high as these service members receive proper training and equipment.

- The United States is narrowing the growing gaps in its strategic deterrent with the MX missile, the Trident submarine, the B-1B and Stealth bombers—the first such significant improvements in 20 years.

forces since World War I.

The number of former POWs eligible to receive the medal is not known. However, one defense official estimated that there could be as many as 150,000.

The idea of a medal for former POWs was approved by Congress as part of the 1986 Defense Authorization Bill. However, it could take up to two years before the medal itself reaches the military supply system.

The U.S. Army Institute of Heraldry has invited each service, the Veterans Administration and all congressionally recognized veterans groups to contribute ideas for the medal's design, according to Col. Gerald T. Luchino, institute director. A special board is expected to convene this summer to select one

- Government waste and fraud have been slashed dramatically, giving the United States the most defense possible for every dollar spent.

- The United States is working steadily on the Strategic Defense Initiative, a system that could ultimately reduce the danger of nuclear war.

"Our message has gotten through," Reagan said, pointing to the Soviet Union's recent gesture of willingness to negotiate arms reductions.

"Any slackening now would invite the very dangers America must avoid—and could fatally compromise our negotiating position," he said. "Our adversaries, the Soviets—we know from painful experience—respect only nations that negotiate from a position of strength."

"The record of Soviet behavior—the long history of Soviet brutality toward those who are weaker—reminds us that the only guarantee of peace and freedom is our military strength and national will," he said.

Losing our commitment to our defense program now, after America has come so far, is "reckless, dangerous and wrong," Reagan said. "It's backsliding of the most irresponsible kind."

"We've come so far together these last five years; let's not falter now...If we sustain our efforts now, we have the best chance in decades of building a secure peace," he said.

"Let's maintain that crucial level of national strength, unity and purpose that has brought the Soviet Union to the negotiating table and has given us this historic opportunity to achieve real reductions in nuclear weapons and a real chance at lasting peace."

design.

As with all military awards and decorations adopted since 1981, the selected design will be submitted to the U.S. Commission of Fine Arts for comment.

"This medal will be a recognition by the people of the United States that the individual forfeited his freedom in the cause of freedom," said Sen. William W. Roth Jr., who introduced legislation establishing the award.

"Few members of our armed forces have suffered as greatly both physically and mentally, as those who have been taken prisoner by the enemy in time of war. The prisoner of war medal, like other military badges, will identify the wearer as having given special service to his country."

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Planning pays off in stripes for Air Guard's Sgt. Margaret Miller

Margaret Miller methodically planned her career in the Georgia Air National Guard and in February it paid off in her promotion to Senior Master Sergeant. Miller is the first woman in the Georgia Air Guard to attain that rank.

Miller is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Reeder B. Miller of North Ft. Myers, Fla.

A technician in the Support Personnel Management Office, Senior Master Sgt. Miller joined the Air National Guard in her native Michigan 13 years ago. She attributes her rapid rise to careful career planning. "I'm fully trained in three (career) fields—administrative, personnel and training—which gives me a lot of flexibility," she said.

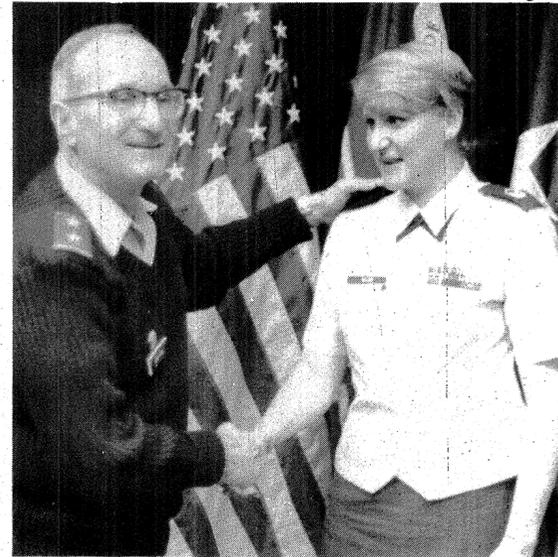
Joining the Georgia Air Guard in 1982, Miller was first assigned to Headquarters, Air National Guard, but found by studying manning documents that she could advance her career with a transfer to a different unit and a different career field. In 1983 she transferred to Macon's 202nd Electronics Installation Squadron where she was a training technician—a job she called her most satisfying. Sometime later, another careful look at the manning documents culminated in her transfer back to Atlanta. A resident of Conyers, Senior Master Sgt.

Miller said that her promotion should serve as an example to other women that "there are opportunities for females to advance in the Guard, no limits, though some career fields are restricted." "To advance," she added, "women or men should branch out—become proficient in other fields. Promotion is not going to just come to you."

"As soon as I attain one goal," Miller added, "I set another and gain the experience and training to achieve it so that I will have the competitive edge for the next opportunity. So many individuals miss a promotion by not completing all the requirements well in advance because of feeling they have reached a dead end and didn't look far enough into the future."

Miller is also a graphics artist and hopes to finish a degree in business administration and earn a commission in the Air National Guard. Though, she adds quickly, if she doesn't earn a commission, she's set her sights on the Georgia Air Guard's senior enlisted advisor job. Senior Master Sgt. Miller is a graduate of the six-week Air National Guard Non-Commissioned Officer Academy at Knoxville, Tenn.

"I feel fortunate to have the rank I do. I've been lucky, and have had a lot of support."



Maj. Gen. Joseph W. Griffin congratulates Margaret Miller upon promotion to Senior Master Sergeant.

Signal Detachment receives computerized teletype terminal

By Sgt. Elliott Minor
124th Public Affairs Detachment

Football season may be over, but Sgt. Bennie Harrell is still catching passes.

During weekend drills with the Georgia Army National Guard, Harrell stands poised in a camouflaged shelter to catch electronic passes from unseen teammates.

As Harrell looked on recently, the circular green lines on a small oscilloscope wiggled into a football shape, signaling the arrival of a radio-teletype message from other members of his unit.

Harrell is a team chief in a signal detachment. He supervises the operation of a relatively new computerized teletype terminal called the UGC-74A. It stores messages from other operators and spits them out on a built-in printer.

The UGC-74A, costing \$11,300 each, has replaced bulky mechanical teletypes that saved messages as a series of holes punched in paper tape. Such machines have been used by the Army in various forms for at least 30 years, but are being replaced by newer devices like the UGC-74A.

With an electric typewriter keyboard and storage capacity for up to 90 messages, the UGC-74A is faster and more convenient for operators, said Harrell.

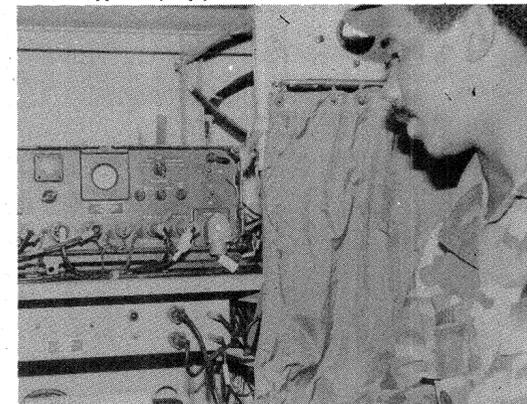
Harrell's unit provides radio-teletype and VHF radio communications for the 48th Infantry Brigade (Mech). Formerly known as the 48th Signal Detachment, his unit has been redesignated Detachment 1 and integrated into the brigade's headquarters company.

With the reorganization, the unit has picked up an additional officer, Lt. Jack Kelly, the signal platoon leader, and a brigade communications-electronics sergeant, Master Sgt. Richard Childress.

The detachment's 77 specialists include radio operators, radio-teletype operators, mechanics who maintain its vehicles and generators and people who string wire that links some of the brigade's field phones.

"We provide a telephone service. We provide a hard copy message service. And we assist in communications in other areas," explained the detachment's commander, Lt. Charles Allen.

With a 100 percent retention rate over the last 12 months, the unit members apparently enjoy their weekend duties.



Sgt. Bennie Harrell shows off part of new teletype equipment.



'We didn't have anything (but) one pick-up and one 1 1/2-ton truck.'

Last member of 'original' 202nd EIS retires after 3 decades

By Technical Sgt. Ronnie C. Carr

Master Sgt. Wally Harris has announced his retirement from the 202nd Engineering Installation Squadron (EIS) after serving a span of 37 years of military service (Active/Air National Guard). He is the last of the original enlisted members who started the 202nd on the road to world-wide recognition as being "known as one of the best EI units."

Harris enlisted in the U.S. Army in March of 1949, then transferred to the U.S. Air Force in January 1950 where he served out the remainder of his active duty tour. He was 22 years old when he read in the newspaper that a new unit was to be formed. He came out to the unit on a Sunday to visit and a technician position was offered to him. After thinking about it he decided to give it a try. The sergeant enlisted in the Air National Guard Nov. 9, 1952 as a member and Air Technician of the 8226 Air Base Squadron (which was a base for the activation of a newly established squadron). On Dec. 7, 1952 the unit was named 202 COMM Maintenance Squadron. It was later changed to the 202 GEEIA, and then to 202 EIS.

Harris was the Material Control NCOIC for 31 years and served his last two years as Mobility/Readiness NCOIC. He started from scratch at every position and said he takes great pride in starting and organizing new positions. He noted that he sees things that the average person coming into the unit doesn't see because "I came into the unit with nothing and I can see how much we have progressed."

Harris' service has carried him to places such as Alaska, Germany, Turkey, the Philippines, and Hawaii. Among his awards are the State Distinguished Service Medal and numerous commendation medals.

Reflecting on the creation of the 202nd, Harris said, "The squadron started with about 20 members and three full-time technicians. We didn't have anything—we were placed in an old hangar with an agreement to use only a small portion of the hangar, one pick-up and one 1 1/2-ton truck, a borrowed desk from the Army, and one typewriter. This is how the 202nd got started! It makes me feel good to know what we started with and then look at the unit today. My accomplishments for the 202nd were working with Maj. Clyde E. Fulton at Dobbins AFB, Ga. and getting the funding for the equipment and things we needed to accomplish the unit's mission. It took a lot of hard work and planning to make the unit what it is today. It makes me proud to have started the unit with nothing and today being thought of as number one in the E.I. business. I'm really proud to have been a part of it."

Asked how it feels to be the last of the charter members to retire, Harris said, "It makes you feel old, but I'm still going to be around for a little while to help whoever assumes my position to get started. Then I'm going to enjoy the time I have earned after I retire."

Harris is retiring with his wife Yvonne. Now having all the time he wants to spend with his children (both married, Sherry & Clifton), he said he is especially looking forward to the given right to spoil his three grandchildren.

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Sgt. 1st Class Dale Allen Conner II
'Soldier of the Year-Active Component'

A native of Livermore, Ca., Sgt. 1st Class Conner has served full-time in the United States Army for the past 14 years. His present three-year tour of duty as an advisor to the Georgia Army National Guard began in April, 1985.

Conner was chosen for the award in competition open to both Regular Army and Army National Guard personnel and sponsored by the 2nd Army.

Designated an "Active Component" soldier in the Army Guard since he is temporarily assigned to the Guard, Conner serves as Battalion Operations Sergeant in his unit.

"I have been both surprised and pleased at what I've learned since I began serving with the National Guard a year ago," Conner said. "Having never been exposed to the Guard before, I usually thought of Guardmembers as 'part-time soldiers.'"

"The fact is, they are highly trained, well-motivated and are 'dual-career' citizen-soldiers who possess a unique military team spirit—especially since most of the men and women of each unit in a particular community have trained together for an extended period of time. They have gotten to know one another's capabilities and personalities," Conner explained.

Conner has served as a drill sergeant during numerous assignments in the United States and overseas. Through his infantry training and combat experience worldwide, Conner said he feels that he can make "significant contributions during his tour of duty with the Georgia Guard—especially in leadership techniques."

A 1971 graduate of Livermore High School, Conner attended Lassen College in Susanville, Ca. He and his wife, Dianne, have a 13-year-old daughter and are residents of Columbus, Ga.



Sgt. 1st Class James C. Holland
'Non-Com Officer of the Year'

Holland, a native of Cordele, Ga., was selected for this distinguished award for his superior military performance, leadership qualities and contributions to his unit and the Georgia Army Guard.

An 11-year veteran of the Georgia Guard, Holland serves as a chemical platoon sergeant in his unit. His platoon, comprised of 25 soldiers, specializes in nuclear, biological and chemical decontamination procedures and operations.

'With increasing participation in the Army's leadership and development course, NCOs today are more professional than ever before.'

"I enjoy serving in the Army Guard," Holland said, "especially in a unit comprised of personnel with a great variety of skills and duties."

"With increasing participation in the Army's leadership and development courses, NCOs today are more 'professional' than ever before and know the importance of 'caring leadership,'" Holland said. "NCOs who sincerely care about their soldiers—individually and as team members—and the jobs they do make our best military leaders."

Holland is a 1961 graduate of Unadilla High School in Unadilla, Ga. and subsequently attended Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College in Tifton. He is employed by the Norfolk Southern Railroad.

Residents of Macon, Ga., Holland and his wife, June, have a 16-year-old daughter, Debbie.



Sgt. Eric Wendell Wilmarth
'Soldier of the Year'

A native of Scranton, Pa., Wilmarth served on active duty with the United States Regular Army for three years before joining the Georgia Guard almost two years ago.

Wilmarth was selected "Soldier of the Year" in competition sponsored by the 2nd Army (Regular Army) Area and open to both Regular Army and Army National Guard personnel.

Candidates for the award are chosen for their superior performance of military duties, leadership qualities and contributions to his or her unit's operations and training. First nominated by their unit commander, candidates compete at the battalion and major command levels.

Wilmarth is employed full-time with the Georgia Army Guard and serves his unit as training non-commissioned officer in the Guard's AGR (Active Guard and Reserve) program.

"I am very pleased to be a member of a unit that has outstanding leadership and a great team spirit," Wilmarth remarked. "Our unit is exceptional. Special emphasis is placed on training and qualifications of soldiers, and our leaders are very 'troop oriented,'" he added.

Asked to comment on characteristics he considers most important in a good soldier, Wilmarth named "dedication to duty, dependability, honesty, bearing, courage and decisiveness" at the top of his list.

"I really missed the military once I was released from active duty in 1984," Wilmarth said. "After my wife and I moved to Georgia, I decided to rejoin the military—the National Guard. This way we could rear our family in a rural area of our choice and I could still serve in the military—in a location close to home."

Wilmarth was graduated in 1979 from Mt. View High School in Kingsley, Pa. He and his wife, Sara, and their two children, April, 12, and Leslie, 10 reside in Dacula, Ga.

Capt. James R. (Ronnie) Griffin dies after extended illness

LILBURN—Capt. James R. (Ronnie) Griffin, 36, a member of the Georgia Army National Guard's Force Modernization Unit, died May 3 in an Augusta hospital after an extended illness.

Services were at Highland Baptist Church in Macon. Burial was in Macon Memorial Cemetery with full military honors. The Revs. Max Wall and James C. Bruner officiated.

Capt. Griffin, a native of Irwin County, lived in Lilburn for the past four years, moving there from Macon. He was graduated from Willingham High School and attended Abraham Baldwin College and Brenau College.

Capt. Griffin was a graduate

of the Officers Candidate School and the U.S. Army Signal School at Fort Gordon. He was a member of Pine Forest Baptist Church and Sincerity Lodge 430 F&AM.

Survivors include his wife, Vicky Griffin of Lilburn; a daughter, Heather Griffin of Lilburn; a son, Drev Griffin of Lilburn; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Griffin of Macon; a brother, Donny Griffin of Plantation, Fla.; and his grandmother, Mrs. Tom Griffin of Ocilla.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests that donations be made to the American Cancer Society's Bibb-Jones Unit, 1027 Walnut St., Macon 31201.



Capt. James R. Griffin

Georgia Air Guard wins national recruiting, retention awards

The Georgia Air National Guard has received two national awards for "statewide programs of recruiting and retention excellence" for the year 1985.

Presented at the Air National Guard's Recruiting and Retention Workshop held in St. Louis, Mo., the awards recognize year-end results of state recruiting and retention programs which "exceed goals" set by the National Guard Bureau.

The award presented for "recruiting excellence" specifically recognizes the Georgia Air National Guard for achieving 98.6% in 1985.

In the equally important area of "manpower retention", the Georgia Air Guard was recognized as "best" among other states of equal size for achieving an overall retention rate of 88% of those Guard members eligible for retention. The national average for retention is 82%.

2nd Battalion, 214th Field Artillery scores high on performance & morale at AT

By Major James Wooten
124th Public Affairs Detachment

The dust at Fort Stewart was as fine as talcum powder, the heat in early May as searing as the sun of late August, and the woods so dry that some artillery missions couldn't be fired.

Yet morale in the Georgia Army Guard's 2nd Battalion, 214th Field Artillery during AT, 3-17 May, "was about as high as I've seen it in my 32 years in the Guard," said Master Sgt. Lamar Allen of Cloy, operations sergeant in Headquarters Battery in Statesboro.

"The morale was the best we've seen in a long time," agreed First Sergeant Joe B. Ambrose of Rincon, a Savannah Gas Co. supervisor in civilian life. "Our soldiers were keyed up, and they did an outstanding job."

The reasons, said Ambrose, were that the Guardsmen "performed" exceedingly well on a 72-hour Army proficiency and readiness test.

"Also, we had some of the best food in the field this year that we've had in a long time, and the unit was virtually alone on Guard training sites," Ambrose added.

The artillery battalion, headquartered in Statesboro with firing batteries in Springfield and Savannah, normally comes to annual training with other Georgia Guards units. However, because of the proficiency test,

the battalion participated alone in order to have a full supply of equipment and space to conduct exercises.

The two weeks they chose were in the midst of a months-long drought that has affected most of Georgia. "It was dirty, dusty and hot," said Sergeant Jerry McKenzie of Richmond Hill, a member of C Battery at Springfield. "There was no rain, no sleep and plenty of ticks."

"A lot of rounds, we couldn't shoot," added First Lieutenant Jerry Culbertson of Statesboro. "We couldn't shoot illumination or smoke rounds because they might start a fire in the impact area."

The battery that performed most successfully during the encampment, with top scores on 18 of 20 fire missions, was Springfield's C Battery, commanded by Captain Earl E. Lang.

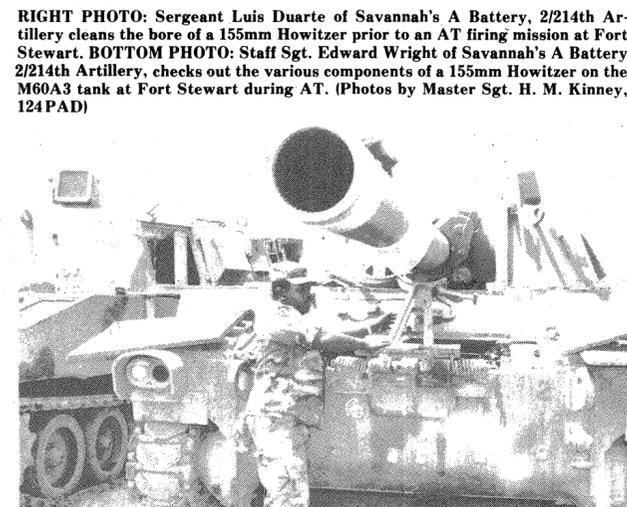
Staff Sergeant Randy W. Wood of Oliver, Ga., won the Commander's Trophy for the battalion as the "outstanding non-commissioned officer."

Savannah's B Battery was cited for having the "best howitzer section," which was led by Sergeant James W. Jones of Savannah.

Also cited in ceremonies marking the end of the annual training period was the battalion's "Best Soldier"—Specialist 4 Russell Bakowski of Savannah's A Battery.



Specialist 4 John Mingle of Springfield's C Battery, 2/214 Artillery, cleans the (larger than you'd think) muzzle break of a 155mm Howitzer during AT 86 at Fort Stewart.



RIGHT PHOTO: Sergeant Luis Duarte of Savannah's A Battery, 2/214th Artillery cleans the bore of a 155mm Howitzer prior to an AT firing mission at Fort Stewart. BOTTOM PHOTO: Staff Sgt. Edward Wright of Savannah's A Battery 2/214th Artillery, checks out the various components of a 155mm Howitzer on the M60A3 tank at Fort Stewart during AT. (Photos by Master Sgt. H. M. Kinney, 124PAD)



'Different environment' for unit's AT

151st MI Battalion takes 'escape & invasion' course

From Savannah to Miami and points east, members of Georgia Army National Guard's 151st Military Intelligence Battalion from Winder and Marietta roam the skies gathering data on ship traffic—up and down the east coast.

Their aircraft are the sophisticated camera-and-radar equipped Mohawks. Their wartime missions: to fly near the battle's edge to gather intelligence on enemy movements.

The pilots and co-pilots of the 151st practice doing just that—in simulated missions—during their two weeks of annual training held at Travis Field and at Fort Stewart near Savannah and at Homestead Air Force Base in Florida.

But not all of the training will be in the skies this year during AT scheduled 17-31 May.

Lieutenant Colonel John Sydow, battalion commander, advised that for the first time in a dozen years pilots will experience an "escape and evasion course" in the woods at Ft. Stewart.

"The pilots," he explained, "will attempt to get from one point to another with the use of a compass while evading enemy detection. They don't normally get to do that during field training at Ft. Stewart. It will be a totally different environment for them."

The reaction of the pilots?
"I'm not really looking forward to it," said CW4 Ed Bearden of Fayetteville.

— Major James Wooten
124th Public Affairs Detachment



Specialist 4 Andrew Bray of Co. A, 151st MI Battalion in Marietta completes a maintenance-check of the OVI-D Mohawk engine prior to take-off at Travis Field. (Photo by Master Sgt. H. M. Kinney, 124PAD)



Private First Class Lamar Houston of Marietta's Co. A, 151st MI Battalion, checks out a pilot harness during AT at Travis Field. (Photo by Master Sgt. H. M. Kinney, 124PAD)

Race gets Guardsmen 'thinking of physical fitness'

More than 60 compete in 165th TAG's 'Herky Stride' — a footrace of 'increasing popularity & distinction'

By Ken Baldowski
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To the uninitiated, capturing first place honors in the running of the second annual "Herky Stride" of the 165 TAG may be perceived as one of dubious distinction.

Of all of its many amazing attributes, the C-130 Hercules—from which the footrace takes its name—cannot, in all honesty, be regarded as "speedy".

Even the race's distinctive logo which adorns the bright red T-shirts and causes men and women to "push themselves toward exhaustion," shows the likeness of a C-130 Hercules riding atop two striding, spindly-looking legs (with one running shoe apparently on the wrong foot).

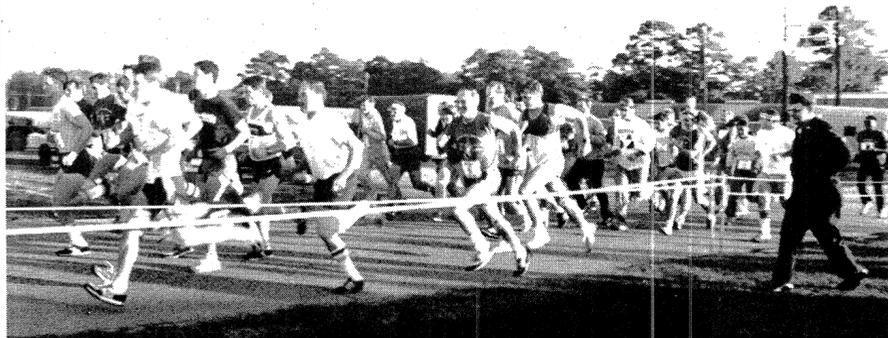
Yet for the more than 60 Guardsmen of Savannah's 165th TAG who participated in the cold December 1 1/2 mile event, the distinction of running in the "Herky Stride" may be as coveted as that of the Peachtree Road Race.

Dick Stumpf, race organizer and director, admits that the real reason for the annual "Herky Stride" competition is to get Guardsmen thinking of physical fitness and the requirements of AF 35-11.

Mike Hudson of the 165 CES was the overall male winner with a time of 7:26. Breaking the tape for the women was Michelle Marion of the 165 ISF who finished with a time of 11:30. Second place finishers for both men and women were Mark Moses, 165 CAMS (7:54) and Sandee Jiran, 165 RMS (11:45).

"Herky Stride" participants qualified in four age groups—17-29, 30-39, 40-49, and 50+. The younger Guardsmen, though expected to turn in the fastest times, often fell to the hard-driving oldsters.

Craig Newman, 165 CAMS captured first place in the younger category with a time of 9:40, followed by Tom Dixon, 165 CAMS with a time of 9:57 and Mike Bussard,



STARTED. And far exceeding the 'stride of herkies', the runners were off like a herd of high-spirited gazelles.

165 CAMS with a 12:21. For the women, Kathleen Henderson stopped the timer for a first place finish of 15:24.

Don James, 165 TAG; Allen Roush, 165 CES; and Air Force Advisor Bill Michalec took one-two-three positions in the 30-39 category with times of 8:57, 9:08 and 9:11 respectively.

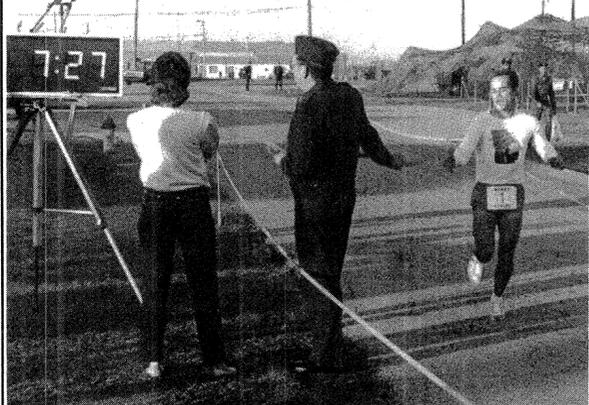
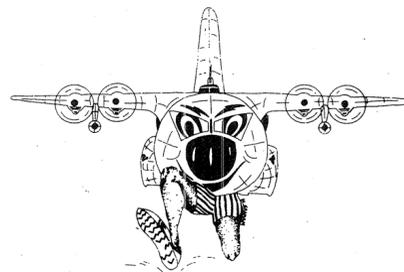
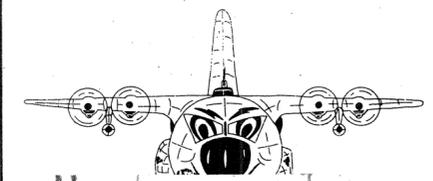
Females Deborah Bowman, 165 CAMS, Sara Brooks, 165 CAMS and Anne Adams, 165 TAC Hospital led the way with times of 13:47, 14:20 and 14:25, respectively.

The 40-49 year category proved to be "not-too-

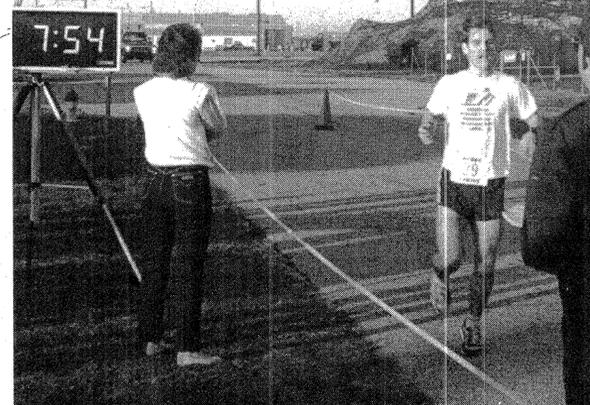
shabby" with times of 10:17 by Jack Hill, 10:33 for Bobby Taylor and 10:41 by Butch Renalso. Doris Clark took the ladies trophy with a time of 17:42.

Dick Stumpf, 165 CAMS took the lead in the 50+ category by stopping the clock at 10:27 followed by Tommy Taylor at 11:22 and Ford Bailey at 12:43.

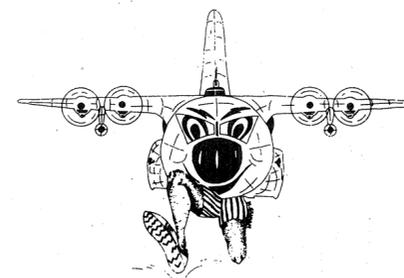
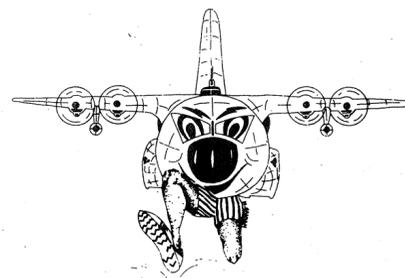
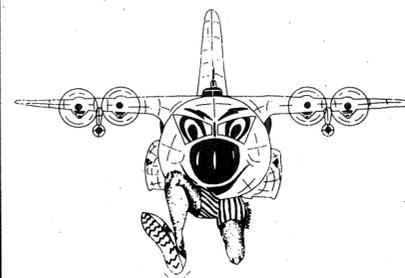
Although the C-130 may be considered as the tortoise in the "tortoise and the hare" racing scenario, Guardsmen of the 165th quickly proved in the "Herky Stride" race that "low and slow" was not the way they intended to go in meeting Air Force fitness requirements.



FIRST PLACE: Sergeant Mike Hudson, 165 CES, was the overall male winner with a finishing time of 7:26.



SECOND PLACE: Senior Airman Mark Moses, 165 CAMS, came in second overall with a 7:54.



STARTING.



BEFORE THE START.

Stumpf recalls 'fun race, great finishing times'

By SMSgt Richard R. Stumpf,
165 CAMS
Race Director

December's drill was cold and frosty, but at 1630 we had a great line up of "Herky Red Shirts" waiting for the starter's gun to begin our Second Annual Herky Stride.

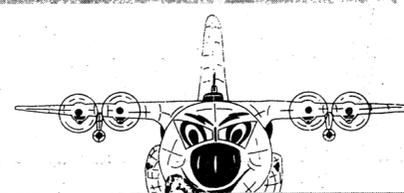
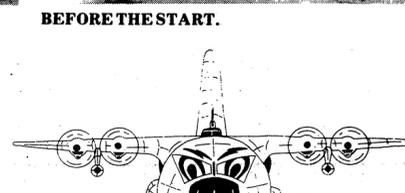
There were some great finishing times—MIKE HUDSON, 165 CES, was the overall male winner with a fantastic 7:26—looking like Superman as he flew over the finish line. A newcomer to our unit, MICHELLE MARION, 165 ISF, was the overall Superwoman, finishing with a zooming 11:30.

MARK MOSES, 165 CAMS, came in second overall with a 7:54, and TOMMY ROUSEY, 165 CAMS, was third with a great 8:46. The females saw SANDEE JIRAN, 165 RMS, second overall with 11:45 and LINDA YANG, 165 TAC Hosp, third with 11:59.

The 17-29 age group winners were CRAIG NEWMAN, 165 CAMS, with a great 9:40 for first place, TOM DIXON, 165 CAMS, with 9:57 was second and MIKE BRUSSARD, 165 CAMS, with 12:21 for third. For the females KATHLEEN HENDERSON, 165 TAG, took first place with 15:24.

Then came our 30-39 age group winners with DON JAMES, 165 TAG, 8:57 leading the guys, ALLEN ROUSH, 165 CES, was second with 9:08 and BILL MICHALEC, Air Force Advisor, was third with 9:11. The ladies had DEBORAH BOWMAN, 165 CAMS first place with 13:47, SARA BROOKS, 165 RMS, came in second with 14:20 and ANNE ADAMS, 165 TAC Hosp, took third place with 14:25.

We had some really fast participants in the 40-49 age group, JACK HILL'S, 165 CSS, fast 10:17 took first place, with BOBBY TAYLOR'S, 165 CES, 10:33 second and BUTCH RENALDO'S, 165 ISF, 10:41 took third place. DORIS CLARK'S, HQDS, Speedy 17:42 was good to take first place for the women.



Proudly holding their trophies, winners are: (front row, from left) Senior Master Sgt. Tommy Taylor, Staff Sgt. Sandee Jiran, Staff Sgt. Kathleen Henderson, Staff Sgt. Sara Brooks, Captain Linda Yang and SRA Mark Moses. (Center row, from center to right) Senior Master Sgt. Dick Stumpf, Maj. Bill Michalec (U.S. Air Force Advisor), Technical Sgt. Don James and Airman 1st Class Craig Newman. (Back row, from left) Lieutenant Col. Jack Hill, Staff Sgt. Ford Bailey, Colonel William P. Bland, Jr., Staff Sergeant Allen Roush and Staff Sergeant Tom Dixon.

Then came the 50+ runners with DICK STUMPF, 165 CAMS, charging across the finish line with a 10:27 to take first place, TOMMY TAYLOR'S, 165 WSSF, 11:22 took second place and FORD BAILEY'S, 165 CSS, 12:43 was good for third place. Not bad for "Old Men"!!

WILLIE CAMPBELL, 165 CAMS, deserves honorable mention for finishing above and beyond the call of duty—he finished with honor and a trophy. Colonel Bland graciously gave out the trophies amid applause, cheers and hearty hoorahs!!



(L-R) Technical Sgt. Stanley Exley (driver) from Rincon, GA and Technical Sgt. Garland Stephens (Team leader) from Glennville, GA advance to work site as SRA Aaron Crossley (Recon and rear guard) from Savannah, returns from area reconnaissance.



Staff Sgt. Stanley Wright from Hilton head, SC., conducts reconnaissance.

At Fort Stewart

165th 'Prime Beef' unit hones security skills

By SRA Aaron W. Crossley
165th CES UPAR

All of us in government jobs have heard the loafer's definition of job security. The Prime Beef members of Savannah's 165th Civil Engineering Squadron, commanded by Maj. Walker W. Scott Jr., have an entirely different meaning. To them "job security" is insuring they will not be killed while carrying out their part of the U.S. Air Force mission. A large part of their training is devoted to "work party security."

The 165th CES trained on small work party security during a recent annual overnight field training exercise. Skills stressed included securing of worksite, reacting to unexploded ordnances, chemical attack, enemy fire, and using proper radio procedures.

The weekend was split into two training days. Planned weeks in advance, the first day was spent learning skills, the second practicing job security.

The first day of the November drill seemed to be like any other UTA except for the four 2½ ton trucks that would convoy the Prime Beef (PB) 1, PB-2, and PB-4 teams from Savan-

nah, to the Army National Guard Training Center, Ft. Stewart, Georgia. At Fort Stewart the team members went to a UXO class taught by members of the Army's 38th Explosive Ordnance Disposal Detachment, a radio communications class taught by Capt. Tim Morris, 165th CES.

On the second day, Ft. Stewart was attacked. The carpenters, electricians, and plumbers of the 165th CES were issued M-16 rifles and gas masks transforming skilled workers into fighting soldiers. The control center was busy all day with radio chatter from 10 five-man teams reacting to simulated problems resulting from the enemy attack. (Five aggressors from within the squadron were chosen to pose as the enemy and test the work parties on job security). At the end of the training day weapons were cleaned and the soldiers returned to Savannah.

The well-planned operation ran smoothly with the help of the National Guard Training Center at Ft. Stewart, the 38th EOD Detachment, and 165th Tactical Airlift Group. Similar overnight drills will be conducted in the future.

WORTH REPEATING

"Rank is given you to enable you to better serve those above and below you. It is not given for you to practice your idiosyncrasies."

—Gen. Bruce Clark

"It is an unfortunate fact that we can only secure peace by preparing for war."

—John F. Kennedy

Gen. Manweiler meets with Georgia's JAG Section

Brig. Gen. Howard I. Manweiler, the highest ranking attorney in the Army National Guard, met with members of the Georgia Air and Army Guard's Judge Advocate Section during their November 1985 annual conference held in Savannah.

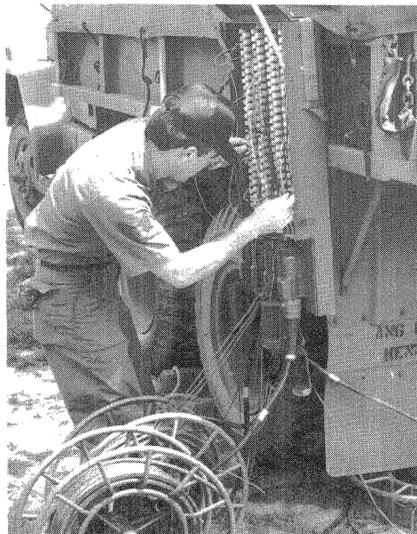
A contingent of judge advocates from Florida and South Carolina also attended the meeting. Gen. Manweiler praised the Georgia Guard's premobilization legal services program. He also challenged our state's JAG personnel to "continue to provide the outstanding quality of leadership and service in premobilization assistance to members of the Georgia Guard."

Col. House stressed that the Section's annual conference, held towards the end of each year, is "extremely important because it provides all command and staff assistant legal personnel an opportunity to outline objectives for the upcoming year and a chance to compare notes following a year's activity."

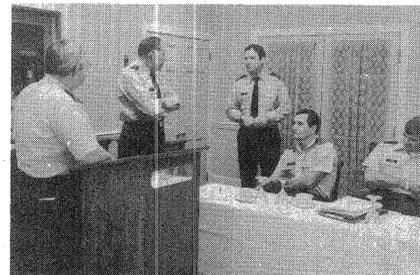
"Also, we are fortunate to hear some very knowledgeable speakers during these conferences," Col. House added. "These guest lecturers help us to do a better job for all Georgia Guard members."

Guest speakers for the 1985 year end conference included Gen. Manweiler, Samuel F. Wright, special assistant to the U.S. Secretary of Labor for Veterans Employment, and Stephanie Manis, assistant attorney general of Georgia.

A total of 35 JAG officers and enlisted personnel attended the conference.



SSgt. Champion is checking terminations of telephone and radio circuits utilized by the 129th TCS.



Brig. Gen. Manweiler, second from left, discusses aspects of the Georgia Guard's legal services program with Maj. Gordon B. Smith, standing, and Lt. Col. John Sikes, seated. Col. Mitchel P. House Jr., left, presided at the conference.

Air Guardsmen prove they can perform unit mission — on their own

Can weekend Guardsmen perform the unit mission without the aid of the full-time technician force?

Such was the challenge placed before 120 Guardsmen of the 129th Tactical Control Squadron's communications maintenance complex when 17 full-time technicians were removed (temporarily) from their job positions during a special test of Guardsmen leadership, managerial abilities and technical training.

The test was the idea of Major Lester Preiss, chief of maintenance for the 129th TCS.

Unit leadership was examined through the observation of Guardsmen assuming increased supervisory responsibilities. Managerial abilities were measured through the success rate in mobilizing individuals to perform essential mission responsibilities.

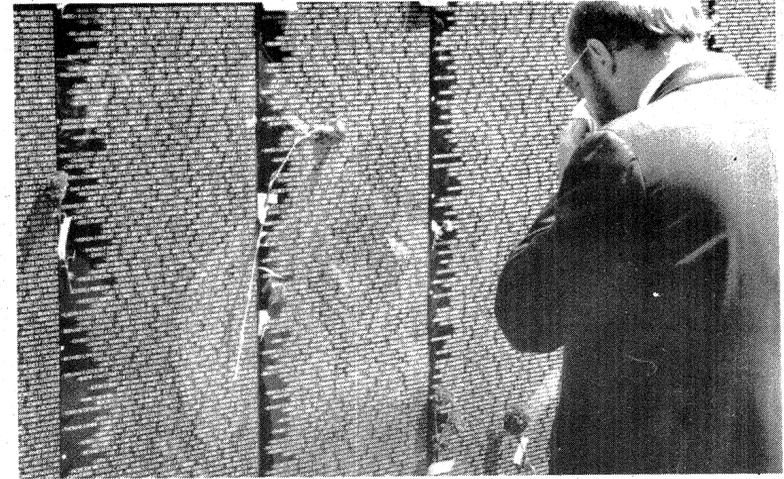
Technical training was easily observed and measured through continued feedback from Operations personnel controlling aircraft and communications equipment provided by maintenance personnel.

Guardsmen of the 129th exceeded expectations in this test of managerial and technical competence. An added bonus to the challenge was the increased morale and confidence witnessed by the Guardsmen who had proven themselves fully competent in not only performing their task but also taking over the responsibility of the unit mission.

Lt. Col. Leroy Blondeau, Squadron commander of the 129th TCS commented that "as a by product of the test, Guardsmen showed a lot of interest and enthusiasm in their particular responsibilities." According to Blondeau, "the program will continue to be conducted on a recurring basis."

Moving Wall

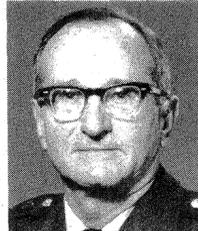
"The Moving Wall," a half-scale replica of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington, D.C. made its way to Atlanta during the spring. Conceived, designed and built by John Devitt, Gerry Haver, and Norris Shears of the Vietnam Combat Veterans Ltd., of San Jose, Calif., the structure currently lists the names of more than 58,000 Americans who were killed in Vietnam. At right a visitor to the wall looks for a familiar name. (National Guard Photo by Kevan M. Farrell)



'We must be ready'

Maj. Gen. Griffin outlines reasons for increased training demands

The following letter from Maj. Gen. Joseph W. Griffin, the adjutant general of Georgia was distributed to every member of the Georgia Army and Air National Guard. It explains reasons behind the increasing demands on training in the Georgia Army and Air National Guard.



demands are too burdensome, that AT training days are becoming more structured and demanding, I ask you to reflect on the factors and questions I have mentioned.

"Accomplish the mission and look out for the welfare of your troops." We have all encountered this tried and true principle of military leadership. Every leader, to include your Adjutant General, has to balance the often contradictory demands of this principle. A sign hangs outside the door of the office of the Chief of the National Guard Bureau: "Let no man's soul cry out . . . 'Had I the proper training.'" These stark words serve as a constant reminder of a leader's top priority responsibility. As I make decisions on training the Georgia Guard, I have to keep these same words foremost in mind. There is no way I can express how earnestly I regard my responsibility to

ensure the proper training of the soldiers and airmen entrusted to my leadership. The viability of the bold experiment I have described, the security of the nation, the lives of individual soldiers and airmen, all, are at stake.

With the greatest respect, I thank you for your continuing commitment and personal sacrifice. I also wish to thank family members — wives, husbands, children, mothers and fathers for their understanding and support of you. From those who are giving so much, even more is being required. This last is true of the commitment of service you have made. I trust I have made clearer to you and your family members how important our commitment really is. We must be credibly ready for war so that we might deter it.

—Maj. Gen. Joseph W. Griffin

Many might not realize the degree of sweeping changes that have occurred in the mission of the Guard. Some of the key aspects of this situation are:

In 1970, national policy was established which increased reliance on Reserve Components for national defense.

Corresponding actions included: (1) A great reduction in size of Active Component forces; (2) Substantial increases in congressional appropriations for equipping and training Reserve Components; (3) Modern equipment issued to Reserve Components (examples: M60A3 tank, Abrams tank, F-15 fighter, Bradley Fighting Vehicle, Apache Helicopter); and (4) Significant increase in size of full-time support force for the National Guard.

Other developments included: (1) Intensification of National Guard training to meet active component training standards; (2) Intensification of preparation for rapid mobilization of the Guard and USAR; (3) Assignment of specific wartime missions to the Guard and USAR via the CAPSTONE planning program; and (4) Force structure alignment calling for 50% of combat forces and 65% of support forces to come from Reserve Components.

These factors show dramatically that we have undertaken a deliberate, some might say bold, experiment in national defense. Never before in modern times have we placed this degree of reliance on our citizen soldier and airmen. We have to make this experiment work. We in the National Guard must be adequately trained to perform the wartime tasks assigned to us as individuals and as units. We have to be prepared to fight in the state of training we find ourselves should war break out. We cannot count on a period of grace following mobilization as there has been in the past. (Indeed 66 percent of the Georgia Army Guard is assigned to the Rapid Deployment Force.)

Every guardsperson should ask yourself this question: "Do I have the technical and tactical proficiency to do my job in combat? Am I prepared as well as I can be to survive on the battlefield?" Every Guard leader should ask this question: "Do I have the professional know-how to lead and train those I have the responsibility to lead?" We have to ask ourselves these tough questions. There are simply no easy answers. However, I believe you will agree that we have to maximize the way we use available training time.

As I travel around the state, I see increasing evidence that our leaders regard with utmost seriousness and dedication the responsibility to structure training in the way that makes the best possible use of training time. If any of you or a family member is concerned that training

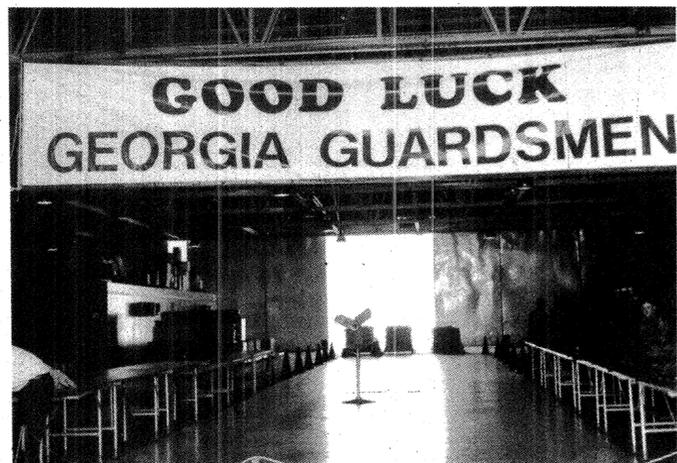


MOBILIZATION!



IF THE BALLOON GOES UP — COMPLETE YOUR IMREC

DON'T LEAVE YOUR LOVED ONES STRANDED



(Upper Left) Anticipating the long trip ahead, Company A Guardsmen board a bus at their armory for transfer to Dobbins AFB, Ga. (Above) A sign "wishing them well" greeted the more than 80 Winder Guardsmen at a special staging area set up in a hanger at Dobbins. The soldiers waited there until they boarded an Air Force C-141 for the approximately 18-hour flight to South Korea.

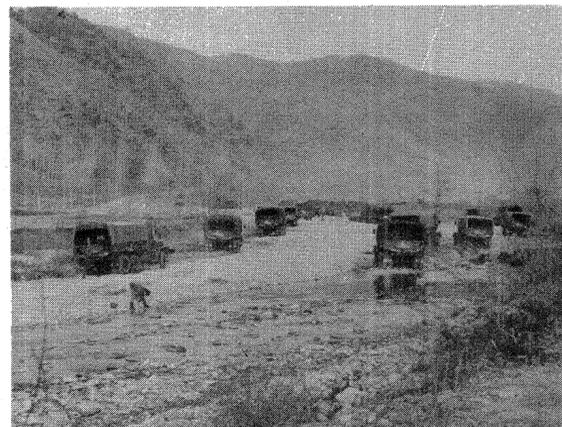
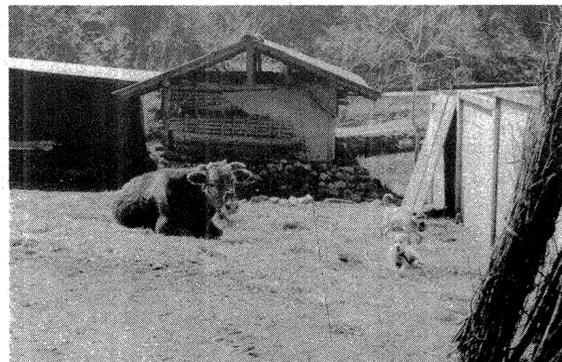
Co. A, 122nd TLAT at 'Team Spirit'

Winder's anti-tank Battalion

trains & travels in Korea



(Above) All equipment was "thoroughly cleaned" before return trip home. Here, Guardsmen steam clean a jeep. (Below) Cow & dogs pose for a photo in a typical countryside setting in Korea.



Upon their arrival by train at Camp Page, South Korea, Guardsmen assembled and subsequently marched across the street to "Tent City"—their temporary "home away from home" during their deployment.



(Above) Winder Guardsmen patrol through the streets of a South Korean city. A TOW gunner and driver simulate "surveillance for enemy aircraft." (Left) With numerous troop carriers, Guardsmen conduct a logistical operations maneuver in a river bed in the South Korea countryside.

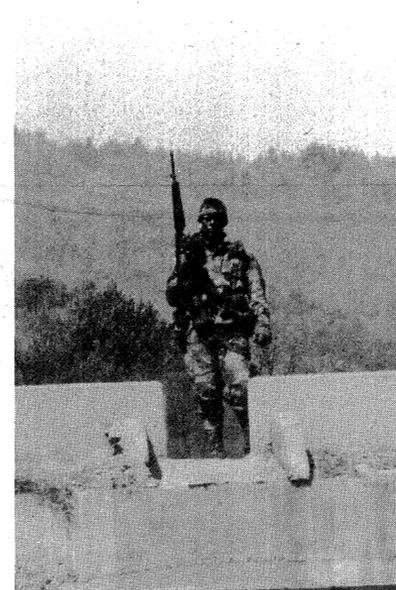


(Above) Discussing last minute details of upcoming tactical operations, Guardsmen prepare to leave "Tent City" for a trip to the field. (At Right) A picturesque "floating restaurant" on the Puk'an-Gang River was an intriguing sight at Chun Cheon City.



'Know that the U.S. Army in Korea realized that they got the very best.'

Maj. Gen. Joseph W. Griffin
Brig. Gen. Donald Burdick



A Company A soldier pulls guard duty during a field exercise in South Korea.



TOW platoon vehicles move across the South Korean countryside during a field maneuver.



(Top Photo) Troops "check out" equipment before a field exercise. (Bottom) A TOW jeep is prepared with "improvised camouflage." (At Left) Georgia Guardsmen sample a typical Korean dish—rice. "Ramen soup," a type of noodle soup was a "favorite among our men."



A Guardsman in full camouflage gear scans the area for "enemy vehicles."



Colonel James D. Polson, state maintenance officer, and Sergeant Gail Parnelle, the artist who created and painted the mural, stand proudly in front of the painting following its completion. The inscription on the plaque shown at left reads: "Inspired by the work

of Captain Ronnie Griffin in Planning and Coordinating Receipt of New Equipment Depicted in this Mural, 3 May 1986." (Photo by Kevan M. Farrell)

Mural of Georgia Army Guard's new equipment turns conference room into 'special' attraction

By Terry Smith

An impressive, 15-color, 8 x 20-foot mural, depicting six types of new equipment in the Georgia Army Guard was recently completed in the conference room of the State Maintenance Building (Bldg. #4) at State Area Command in Atlanta.

The mural was designed and painted by Sergeant Gail Parnelle of Atlanta's Company A, 148th Support Battalion. She is a former member of Jackson's Company D, 148th Support Battalion.

A free-lance artist and resident of Jackson, Parnelle has served in the Georgia Army Guard for more than four years. She holds a bachelors degree in fine arts from the Atlanta School of Art and a masters degree from the Cranbrook Academy of Art in Michigan.

The idea for the mural was conceived by Colonel James D. Polson, state maintenance officer. "I wanted something unique which would provide high visibility of our new equipment for Guardsmen in our maintenance community and in all other areas of our military operations as well," Polson said.

He added, "Commanders at 2nd Army and Forces Command have increasingly urged that new military equipment be made more visible through advertising and publicity in the print and electronic media. Equipment

publicity has also been encouraged in 'Maintenance Management Improvement Programs.'"

Polson said that he was also encouraged and inspired to promote and publicize the new equipment "by the hard work and dedication of the late Captain James (Ronnie) Griffin, a man who was so instrumental in the Georgia Army Guard's obtaining a large inventory of 'state-of-the-art' equipment."

Illustrated in an 'action' scene with a background and environment 'natural' to many military maneuvers and operations, the mural highlights the following new equipment for the Georgia Army National Guard: M-1 Abrams Tank; Bradley Infantry Fighting Vehicle; Bradley Cavalry Fighting Vehicle; "FISTV" - Fire Support Team Vehicle; "HEMTT" - Heavy Expanded Mobility Tactical Truck; and the "HMMWV" - High Mobility Multipurpose Wheeled Vehicle.

Sgt. Parnelle put in more than 700 hours of work to complete the mural. "I used about 15 quarts of different colors and shades of latex paint to achieve the results I wanted," Parnelle said. "Before I even started painting, I had visualized and sketched on paper the mural's 'composition' or layout.

"I wanted to make certain the mural's composition effectively and realistically illustrated equipment and personnel. I also tried to create a lot of 'space' and a 'natural flow'

to the mural's composition—features which usually make paintings more attractive and easier to view," Parnelle added.

Another goal of the artist was to give the painting "abstract quality elements in addition to predominantly realistic qualities."

Parnelle's only visual guidance of the equipment to be painted was mostly through photos or sketches in brochures, pamphlets and booklets published by the various equipment manufacturers. Polson said he left the mural design or composition completely up to the artist.

"I purposely didn't look into the conference room to note the progress of the mural," Polson commented. "I waited until Gail had completely finished the painting before I took a look."

The final results?

"The mural looks a thousand times better than anything I had ever envisioned," Polson said. "I am delighted with the painting and very proud to have it in our building. Gail did a beautiful job."

So, the conference room at the State Maintenance Office is a unique and special place now. Polson explained that "not only does the mural enhance the room's appearance and tell the story of new equipment in the Army Guard, it also provides a great backdrop for taking photographs of awards presentations, individuals or groups."

After June 15, the conference room—with a seating capacity of 25—can be used for meetings by Guardsmen of any unit or command, provided the room is available and advance reservations are made, Polson advised.

"All Georgia Guardsmen—Army and Air—are welcome to stop by and view the new mural when they are in our area," Polson said. "It's something we can all be proud of."

Legal tips given for Guardsmen at AT

By Lt. Col. Jerry D. Sanders

Lt. Col. Sanders is chief, Military Justice, of the Georgia Army National Guard.

Summertime is almost here, and for all soldiers in the Georgia Army National Guard come the thoughts of returning to Fort Stewart for AT.

No doubt some at annual training have wondered: "What would happen if I were arrested on the Fort Stewart installation?"

There are several answers. The best solution, of course, is to use good common sense and to carefully observe all rules and regulations while on the Fort Stewart installation. However, if a soldier does commit an infraction at Fort Stewart, he will probably be tried in the Federal Court System.

For traffic offenses, citations (tickets) are issued to the United States Magistrates Court. Punishment for driving under the influence (DUI) is similar to that in the State Courts of Georgia.

A commander may consider minor military infractions, such as short AWOLS, drunk and disorderly conduct, in-

subordination, failure to repair, and the like, punishable under the Georgia Code of Military Justice. Either non-judicial punishment or summary courts martial may follow. Your commander makes this decision.

Serious offenses, including possession of marijuana or drugs, aggravated assault, or theft of items valued at more than \$100—if committed in the National Guard Training Site area—may be tried in the Superior Court of Liberty County, Ga. However, if that District Attorney declines jurisdiction, these offenses may be tried in the United States District Court in Savannah.

Moreover, if these types of serious offenses occur on the Fort Stewart installation outside the National Guard Training Site (the contonment area), they will be tried in the United States District Court in Savannah.

Punishment for serious offenses may be much more severe than a soldier would expect for similar offenses in his home county. Commanders of the Georgia Army National Guard have no influence over the conduct of these civilian proceedings in either the United States District Court or the Liberty County Superior Court. The National Guard has no authority over the right of the United States Attorney or the District Attorney to prosecute.

Each soldier in the Georgia Army Guard should ask himself—before taking even a small chance or risk such as driving back to the barracks after drinking at the club—whether it is worth facing a Federal District Court Judge and the serious punishment and consequences that can occur.

Toccoa's 82nd Maintenance wins 'Best Dining Facility' Award

Toccoa's 82nd Maintenance Company, Georgia Army National Guard, has earned the "Best Dining Facility Award—GaARNG Award" reports Maj. Gen. Joseph W. Griffin, the Adjutant General.

The award was given for the 1985 training year.

Selection for this distinctive award was based on units nominated by major commanders and subsequently evaluated by the Mess Evaluation Team of Headquarters, Georgia STARC.

Captain Henry W. McConnell of Roswell, Ga., commands the 82nd Maintenance Company.