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Hughes Helicopters



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Command and Staff

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Word to the Warrant

IN the not too distant past, several nations became quite concerned over highly qualified technicians and specialists who were leaving their countries and going to a foreign nation where there was a promise of a bright and successful future.

Today, an analogous situation exists in Army Aviation. Countless fine young aviation warrant officers, who have demonstrated outstanding performance and are rich in irreplaceable combat experience, are requesting re-

lease to the civilian community.

They offer many reasons for leaving the service, chief among which is recognition as epitomized by flight pay equity, "Why," they ask, "do we get less flight pay than the commissioned officer who is sitting beside us in the cockpit?"

Question demands answer

This question demands an answer for there is no logical reason for continuing to differentiate between the two in the issuance of flight pay. More importantly, there is ample evidence to suggest that many aviation warrant officers would incline toward a military ca-

reer if flight pay were equalized.

The Army's position on this issue is clear — flight pay must be equalized! The warrant officer is the "aviation specialist" and he should receive no less compensation for his special skills than his commissioned counterpart. There are some, for example, who suggest that Army Aviation must revolve around the warrant aviator because he is our only full-time aviator. His commissioned counter-

part is a generalist, who performs both in his branch and in aviation and is expected to become equally qualified for command and staff in both areas.

Consequently, there is no requirement that he acquire detailed and extensive aviation skills — and seldom does he have the opportunity. The aviation warrant officer, by contrast, serves in consecutive aviation assignments, each demanding increased skill and proficiency commensurate with his advancement to more complex and sophisticated aircraft. This specialization is necessary if we are to maintain the continuity of technical expertise necessary to the combat readiness and performance of aviation units.

Accepting this, it becomes mandatory that the man who devotes his entire military career to aviation should receive flight pay equal to his commissioned counterpart; otherwise, why should he dedicate himself to a military career in aviation when he could conceivably pursue a similar occupation as a civilian with financial recognition based on competitive

performance, not rank?

The super grades . . .

Even so, flight pay equity is not enough to convince today's aviation warrant officer that he should make the military his career. If he can advance to the grade of W4 at approximately 11 to 13 years of service, and retire in that grade at twenty years service, why should he go for 30 years?

From his view, 17-18 years in grade is a (Continued on Page 27)

Army position is clear: Equalize flight pay!

BY COLONEL JACK M. TUMLINSON Chief, Aviation Warrant Officer Branch, OPD, DA



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Man-Powered Flight!

By Morris G. Rawlings

Lives there a pilot with a roar in his ears, Who never has vavered between two fears? One, that his engine would suddenly quit, The other, that it wouldn't ?

THE typical Army Aviator, his ears covered by a flight helmet, is expected to be able to identify the tone differences between a happy and an unhappy engine while receiving instrument flight instructions from a French air traffic controller speaking a strange version of English into a faulty microphone. The odd thing is that most of the professional pilots can do it.

Yet, outside of the cockpit, their hearing is no better than that of the average civilian; they have great difficulty hearing their wife's instructions or their children's gimme's.

So long as the pilot's future hangs on the ability of a machine to swallow kerosene and regurgitate energy, his ears will necessarily suffer from the clamor in the cockpit, and wives and children must bear the consequences.

There is a sweaty solution! Remove the engine. Use manpower!

The idea of man-powered flight has been around for a long time. Perhaps one of the earliest recorded flights was that performed by Icarus who supposedly melted his wings by flying too near the sun.

The story lacks credibility. After all, it

occurred in a Greek myth and it is rumored that the temperature of Grecians was about the same as that of Americans. Any young American myth can melt wax — with or without lisping. Icarus probably didn't even get off the ground.

At any rate, he certainly didn't leave enough hard data to convince today's brand of operations researchers, systems analysts, or legislators that man-powered flight is worth the trouble and expense. Icarus left no detailed cost record; he didn't establish a criterion for effectiveness; he failed to describe his design changes and/or cost overruns — he didn't even document the temperature at which his wings melted!

Modern efforts

Later efforts have been more scientific in their approach and have left quantitative data all over the place. They have answered every possible question, except perhaps two:

(1) Just who is interested in man-powered flight?

(2) Why?

First things first. In 1935 and 1936, successful flights of man-powered aircraft were made by the Germans and the Italians (Haessler-Villinger and Bossi-Bonomi) but each was catapult-launched. Somehow, this seems

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Operations

QUESTION: Have you seen anything, as a result of the operation in Laos, that's changing your feeling of helicopters? There was a radio story the other day that 600 helicopters had been damaged. There have been claims we've lost 100. Has all this changed the Army thinking, or in any way affected Army thinking on the future use of helicopters?

GENERAL WESTMORELAND: No, it hasn't changed our thinking in the least. In considering helicopter losses, one must appreciate that this operation was launched into what was—by several orders of magnitude—the most hostile enemy, low altitude air defense environment that friendly ground forces and their supporting helicopters have yet faced. The South Vietnamese were striking at the vitals of a determined and well-trained enemy in an area he had occupied and prepared for an extended period of time under adverse conditions of weather, and hostile terrain.

Second, one must appreciate the magnitude of the air operations exposed to this threat. The fact that we only lost one-quarter of a helicopter per 1,000 sorties flown is a better indication of the capabilities of the helicopter to survive and carry out its mission in this and future operations than the loss figures considered in isolation.

Helicopter losses in this operation were somewhat—but not significantly—higher

In reply to a reporter's question, General William C. Westmoreland comments on LAMSON 719 and . . .

HELICOPTER VULNERABILITY

than in earlier periods of intense combat, with the possible exception of the Ashau Valley campaign in the spring of 1968. One must realize that the loss of helicopters and the loss of other combat equipment and personnel can always be expected to vary with the intensity of combat.

Helicopters, including gunships, normally operate as an organic part of the ground force and are fully integrated with operations on the ground. Their survivability and effectiveness are dependent upon the very closest of coordination with maneuver and firepower of infantry, armor, and artillery weapons. This detailed coordination which has been so admirably achieved within the U.S. Army structure was understandably impeded, particularly in the heat of combat. by a language problem.

This language problem was, of course, the direct result of the lack of U.S. advisers with whom the Vietnamese divisions have long been accustomed to operate (although it is true that Airborne and Marine divisions had fought in Cambodia without accompanying U.S. advisers). In any case, the difficulties of communication between people fighting on the ground and those in the air providing fire and lift support reducted the effectiveness of the teamwork.

We learned some valuable lessons but the overall conclusion is that the helicopter played its most vital role effectively Without it, the operation could not have achieved the success that it did. In fact, LAMSON 719—a penetration of 50 kilometres deep into an enemy stronghold—could not have been carried out in any other way.

(Ed. Note: General Westmoreland's comments on helicopter vulnerability were prepared in answer to a question asked by a staff reporter of the ARMY TIMES, and were released for publication on April 9).

Directorate

L AMSON 719, the Vietnamese Army operation which disrupted supply operations on the Ho Chi Minh Trail in Laos also should have impact on the ability of the North Vietnamese to continue operations in Cambodia and in the III and IV Corps areas in South Vietnam. We will be able to fully evaluate its impact in the fall at the end of the rainy season.

The helicopter losses in a heavy antiaircraft environment are undergoing extensive analysis to determine the place of the helicopter in the higher intensities of warfare. Both joint and Army studies are under way to address doctrinal and organizational as-

pects of the Laos operation,

Initial Army analysis indicates that helicopter-delivered firepower was of considerable tactical value during the operation. The Cobra was able to hold its own with the other types of helicopters in the operation

LOOKING BACK ON

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By Brigadier General WILLIAM J. MADDOX, JR. Director of Army Aviation, OACSFOR, DA

despite the fact that the bulk of its mission time is spent searching for and attacking enemy targets.

More than half of the helicopter losses resulted from lift ships shot down in the landing zone or on short final or takeoff. This attests to the intensity of combat in the immediate vicinity of fire support bases. A number of losses occurred as the result of mortar fire in contested landing zones.

Firsthand report

During one phase of the Laos operation Lieutenant Colonel Bob Molinelli came to Washington, fresh from commanding the 2d Squadron of the 17th Cavalry in Laos, As the officer in charge of aerial reconnaissance around the entire LAMSON operation, he had been dealing directly with U.S. XXIV Corps and ARVN I Corps headquarters, and the 1st ARVN and 1st ARVN Airborne Division headquarters, as well as being in the

battlefield air space daily.

Bob spent more than thirty days in LAM-SON 719 at the end of his year in command of the cavalry squadron. His credentials concerning helicopter capabilities and survivability are excellent. He was Cobra lead in the 114th Helicopter Company Gunship Platoon in 1965. That platoon, incidentally, gave its name to the current gunship. Bob worked on weaponization at Fort Rucker and later commanded the 3d Attack Company at Yuma prior to returning to Vietnam.

Tank killings verified

Colonel Molinelli concludes that helicopters can operate in the high antiaircraft environment and that they can effectively kill tanks. Criteria for destruction was very stringent. Only those tanks observed as blown up or on fire were considered destroyed. Those which had large pieces knocked off by rocket fire were considered to be damaged.

Rocket antitank warheads weigh only 61/2

lbs and create their damage by blasting/melting a small hole through armor plate and creating a spalling effect inside the tanks. Damage from this type of attack is difficult to assess.

Colonel Molinelli indicated that one troop flew several times to Tchepone at nap-of-the-earth altitudes. The troop received substantial small arms damage but never lost an aircraft. Individual scout and gunship teams moved back and forth across this route for refueling many times a day. In fact, the average gunship pilot flew approximately 8 hours a day and sometimes peaked at 14 hours flight time per day. Four additional troops were attached to the squadron during a portion of the operation.

TRICAP Division

As a means of consolidating the South Vietnam, Cambodia, and Laos experience, and translating it into force structure, organizations, and doctrine for the Army as a whole, the Army will convert the 1st Armored Division at Fort Hood into a test organization. This unit will be called TRICAP, for TRIple CAPability. The division will bear the colors and designations of the 1st Cavalry Division, which will be returned from Vietnam in time for a 5 May change of colors and command, Major General George W. Putnam will present the 1st Cavalry Division colors to Major General James C. Smith, former commander of the Hunter-Stewart Airfield complex.

The TRICAP Division will consist of an armored brigade, an airmobile infantry brigade, an air cavalry combat brigade, and such necessary combat and combat service support units. The division will test all three organizations plus a considerable amount of materiel. Testing will be accomplished under the direction of Major General George P. Seneff, Jr., of Project MASSTER (Mobile Army Sensor Systems Test Evaluation and Review), a special project to weigh doctrine concepts and materiel that might be used on future battlefields.

Throughout the formation and testing period personnel and equipment of the 1st Cav will be maintained in a high state of readiness

BRIEFINGS? THERE WERE MANY!

LTC "Bob" Molinelli first briefed LTG Robert R. Williams, ACSFOR, on LAMSON 719, and many Defense officials thereafter. He briefed Dr. Kissinger at the White House, and then spoke with the Secretary of the Army, the Chief of Staff, and other members of the Army Staff. At DOD, he briefed Secretary of Defense Laird and Mr. Packard, the Deputy Secretary, as well as the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs, Admiral Moorer, and senior members of the Joint Staff.

Secretary Laird and Admiral Moorer then escorted LTC Molinelli to an executive session of the Senate Armed Services Committee which he addressed for about 30 minutes. He also spent nearly two hours with the DOD Subcommittee of the House Appropriations Committee.

He also spoke individually with Senators Ellender, Chairman of the Appropriations Committee, and Senator Young, Senior Minority Member of the same committee. Finally, he spoke with Senators Goldwater, Tower, MacIntyre, and Cannon of the Senate Armed Services Committee. The latter two are Subcommittee Chairmen who will consider the Cheyenne during this session of Congress. LTC Molinelli is on orders to the Air Cavalry Combat Brigade (ACCB) of the new experimental TRICAP Division, now forming at Ft. Hood, Tex. —Editor

in the event it's called to meet NATO or other world-wide contingency commitments.

Considerable interest has been displayed by DOD officials and other members of the administration in this old/new test organization, It is felt that the Army is looking to the future aggressively and attempting to incorporate technological advances with its recent combat experience . . . And Army Aviation is in the forefront of this new concept.

DOD Directive 5160.22

Department of Defense Directive 5160.22 is dead. (RIP) The directive was entitled, "Clarification of Roles and Missions of the Departments of the Army and Air Force Regarding the Use of Aircraft." DA Circular 310.13, which is a verbatim copy of the DOD Directive, also has been rescinded.

DOD Directive \$160.22 was issued in March of 1957 by Secretary of Defense Charles Wilson and imposed a number of limitations on Army aircraft to include a 5,000 lb. weight limitation for fixed-wing aircraft and a 20,000 lb. limitation on helicopters.

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lb. limitation on helicopters.

Principal other provisions were that the Army not provide aircraft for strategic or tactical airlift, tactical recon interdiction, or close air support, However, the Army was permitted to own and operate liaison, observation and aeromedical evacuation light aircraft within the combat zone. Deviations on these limitations, as well as weights, have been permitted on a case-by-case basis. In 1961 Secretary McNamara, in Congressional testimony, indicated that he intended to make decisions based on the merits of individual issues and that he was not utilizing the directive. The directive has been disregarded substantially since but has remained on the books. It now has been officially rescinded as part of the Secretary of Defense plan to abolish out-dated directives and paper work.

Close air support

Research is considered important at this time because Mr. Packard, the Deputy Secretary of Defense, has stated that he will chair a review group to consider close air support. For purposes of the review, the Cheyenne, the Air Force conceptual aircraft, the A-X; and the Marine Corps Harrier V/STOL are considered to be close air support aircraft. In addition to Mr. Packard there are six members of the review group: Dr. John S. Foster, Ir., Director of Defense Research and Engineering (DDR&E); Dr. Gardiner L. Tucker, Assistant Secretary of Defense (Systems Analysis); General William L. Momyer, USAF; Vice Admiral John P. Weinel, J-5 of the JCS; Lieutenant General Robert R. Williams, USA; and Major General Homer S. Hill, USMC, Deputy for Air.

The first meeting of the review group was held 29 March and work is underway on four area scenarios to be utilized in the study. Completion is scheduled for 1 June with submission of the review group report to Congress on 14 June. The Cheyenne helicopter/A-X airplane issue also will be addressed by a special subcommittee of the Senate Armed

ACCB

The air cavalry combat brigade (ACCB) is the third of the three major organizations proposed by General Hamilton H. Howze in 1963. The Army previously tested the 11th Air Assault Division and the 10th Air Transport Brigade, which preceded the deployment of the 1st Cavalry Division to Vietnam. The organization and structure of the ACCB will be formed around an aerially-mounted combined arms team of attack helicopters, air cavalry, airmobile infantry, and supporting signal and engineers. The brigade is designed to be capable of independent operations.

Services Committee. Senator Cannon, who normally heads the Tactical Air Warfare Sub-committee, has been named by Chairman Stemis to the special subcommittee. This group probably will await the report of the Packard group before it begins deliberations.

In any case, the Aviation Directorate is in direct support of *General Williams* and will be almost totally committed to preparing the Army positions. I have been designated by *General Williams* to convene a special study group which will operate in parallel with the

Aviation Directorate.

A third group looking into the same issue is a team from the General Accounting Office (GAO). The Directorate briefed the tenman team in November and has provided constant input to the GAO effort. Members of the GAO team recently visited Hunter Army Airfield, Fort Rucker, Fort Benning, Fort Hood, Fort Knox, Fort Leavenworth and Yuma Proving Ground.

The two senior members of the team also have made trips to Europe and to Southeast Asia to evaluate Army requirements for close air support and its own organic attack helicopters. Lieutenant Colonel Jim Hegdahl, of this Directorate, has accompanied the traveling parties. This study effort also is to be

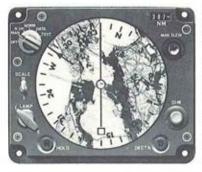
completed about 1 June.

While at Fort Leavenworth the GAO team was briefed by non-aviators on the particular need of the Army for attack helicopters. I consider the points made by the Fort Leavenworth staff to be worthy of inclusion in

this column. They were:

 The desire of the ground commander to talk to the "guy pulling the trigger" for close in fires, rather than working through a FAC.

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- The ability of a pair of gunships to provide continuous fire on a target without the break in fire associated with fixed wing aircraft.
- The ability of attack helicopter pilots to have "eyeball contact" with the enemy.
- The rapid response of attack helicopters.
- The ability to employ attack helicopters and artillery close together.
- The need for gunships to deliver discriminatory fires close to friendly troops because of the enemy's tactic of "bugging" friendly forces when close air support is called in.
- The importance of the ground commander and the pilot speaking "the same language" and the improved teamwork and mutual support that results when one aviation unit habitually supports one ground unit.
- The heightened sense of urgency and dedication that the Army pilot feels for his fellow "green suiters," – the team effort.
- The night and all-weather capability of the attack helicopter.
- The old concept of the "infantry-armorartillery" team relationship has been changed in Vietnam to the "infantry-armor-artillery-Army Aviation" team.

Army Aviation Program Review

In 1968 General Westmoreland directed that program reviews be conducted annually at a number of school and branch centers. The second Army Aviation review was conducted at Fort Rucker a year ago, and a third review was scheduled for this April.

However, because of reduced funds and the possibilities offered by consolidating certain reviews, this year's session will be held in conjunction with the Infantry review. The new schedule calls for the review to be

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WASHINGTON, D.C. — Brigadier General William J. Maddox, Jr., (right), Director of Army Aviation, OACSFOR, DA, is shown swearing in his son, William J., IV, in the Aviation Warrant Officer Candidate Program . . . The newest father-son combination in Army Aviation. (USA photo)

held at Fort Benning on 14 and 15 September. I will cover this subject at greater length in future newsletters because the major problem areas in aviation will be addressed and

given high level attention.

In the meantime, an AUSA symposium on STANO and Project MASSTER was conducted at Fort Hood, Texas 18-20 April. The symposium considered STANO (Surveillance Target Acquisition and Night Observation) and the organizational testing related to TRICAP discussed above. General Seneff, of Project MASSTER, presented a 45-minute helicopter demonstration centering on the training and testing of air cavalry organizations now underway.

AAAA/Garmisch

The Laos operation and the Staff requirements which it generated kept me from making my scheduled visit to Europe the first week in March. I had looked forward eagerly to discussing aviation problems in Europe and, in particular, to meeting the aviation community at Garmisch during the AAAA regional convention. Lieutenant Colonel Hegdahl, who accompanied the GAO team to Europe, delivered my talk and noted the large and enthusiastic gathering. Colonel O. B. Butler, Presient of the AAAA's USAREUR Region, is to be commended for a fine turnout.

Best wishes for safe operations!

Opinion

ROTATION base, Cadre base, or whatever, the Aircraft Maintenance Brigade at Hunter AAF is a unique organization that happily employs military aircraft maintenance mechanics at their chosen occupation — repairing fixed and rotary wing aircraft.

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necessary to insure timely graduation of all students at the USAAVNS Element, Last but not least, we provide support to the VOLAR concept. We have continually led the post in re-enlistments, despite a general feeling that this would be impossible due to the market in civilian life for the aircraft maintenance skills.

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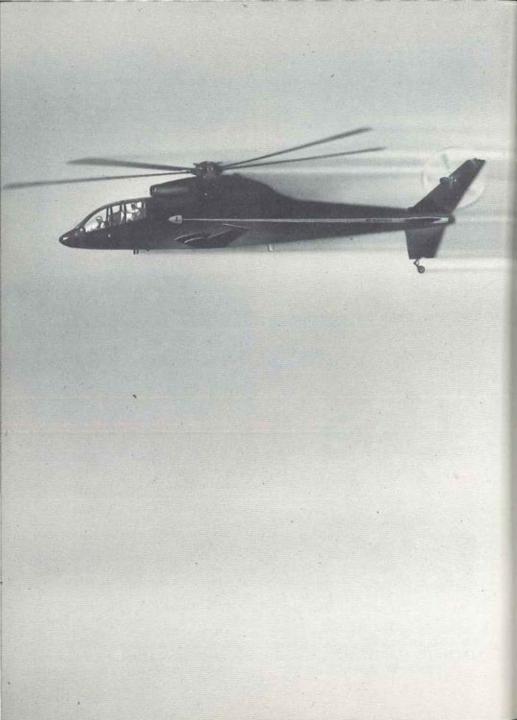
Cost is prime factor

The major argument against military maintenance is the cost. Of course, the costs on paper look greater and we concede the fact that we don't have the inherent profit incentive for maximum maintenance at minimum cost. However, we do have our pride in the full knowledge that we can do the job, efficiently and effectively and that we do not have to argue over the legal merits of an additional inspection and the added labor costs that may accrue.

Costs, in the eyes of the Government watchdogs, are most important and appear on the surface to be much greater at a military facility than at a civilian contract maintenance facility. This factor has placed much of the CONUS Direct and General Support — and almost all of the Depot level effort for aircraft maintenance — in the hands of civilian contractors.

This circumstance normally excludes the military man when he arrives at a post, tool box in hand, and finds that he must work at something other than aircraft maintenance in order to work at all. This is not true every-

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Blackhawk sets speed record.

Sikorsky's S-67 Blackhawk, the low-cost helicopter gunship, is also the world's fastest helicopter. On December 19, 1970, it streaked to an official record, attaining 220.6 mph over a 15-25 kilometer course.

That's a good sign in a winged helicopter that must get in and out of the action quickly. But not so surprising when you consider some of its

design innovations:

An airplane-type vertical fin and movable horizontal stabilizer. Swept-back rotor tips. A streamlined fairing over the rotor head. An overall slim, tapered silhouette. Wing-mounted speed brakes.

Speed is only one dividend of this far-advanced helicopter. Twinturbine survivability is another. Agility is still another: it can out-maneuver aircraft half its size while carrying weapons fully equal to Army mission requirements. It has already performed the Split S and developed over 3 Gs in a turn.

Yet the Blackhawk costs substantially less than competitive systems. Why? Simplicity of design. Which also means easier, cheaper maintenance.

It has fully qualified power and rotor systems, taken directly from the versatile S-61 series, which have almost 1½ million flighthours, and have been used by military and civilian operators, astronauts and presidents.

The Blackhawk. A gunship combining proven technology and components with imaginative innovations. Built with company funds, demonstrating that it could be done at lower cost, on a "fly before you buy" basis.

Sikorsky Aircraft DIVISION OF UNITED AIRCRAFT CORPORATION

G.I. TALENT!

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where, but examples of support shops where we do find this are at Ft Rucker, Ala., Ft Eustis, Va., Atlanta General Depot, and ARADMAC at Corpus Christi, Texas, to name a few. These are fine contracts in the main, and provide continuity and quality that a frequently displaced GI may not provide. Costs, however, must be evaluated in relationship to the benefits.

A critical shortage . . .

If we ever learn a lesson, we must learn that we are faced in every critical situation with a shortage of qualified, deployable military aircraft mechanics. The civilian is not readily movable and we in the service are faced with a slow re-training cycle in getting additional mechanics ready for duty in the four corners of the earth.

We have been able to get civilian contractors to come in and take up some of the slack in these combat areas, but that is another story in costs when we try to maintain civilians in a hostile environment.

Aircraft are besoming increasingly more complicated, requiring experienced, qualified aircraft mechanics who can pick up and go

POW YEARS RECALLED



MAJ James N. Rowe (2d from left), a prisoner of the Viet Cong for five years, was guest speaker at the March 71 meeting of AAAA's Army Aviation Center Chapter. He's shown with, I-r, MG Delk M. Oden, Ret., Senior VP, AAAA; MG Allen M. Burdett, Jr., Ft Rucker's CG and National Member-at-Large, AAAA National Executive Board; and COL Sidney W. Achee, Chapter President of AAAA's largest membership activity.

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ST. LOUIS, MO. — It may not be a seafaring organization, but the Lindbergh Chapter of the Army Aviation Ass'n (AAAA) can lay claim to having one member with a good set of sea

He is Rear Admiral Russell R. Waesche, commander of the Second Coast Guard District, who recently joined the local AAAA chapter. As Carl D. Stephenson, Chapter president, puts it, "We're proud to have the Admiral aboard!"

when the whistle is blown. We must have the inherent capability to train others and that capability can only be kept up-to-date by working on aircraft and keeping current with the latest changes in technical publications.

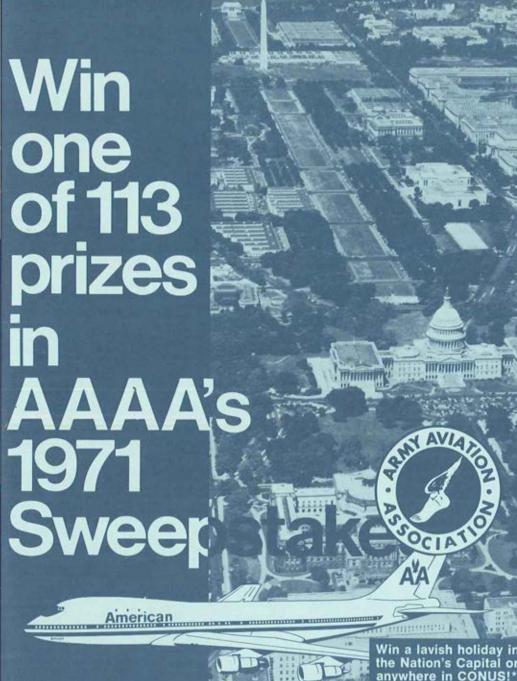
At Hunter AAF, we have the demonstrated potential for doing now and in the future, just what the Army has failed to do in the past. We can maintain a skill base of aircraft maintenance experience who can do the Army's job and insure that qualified men are available to meet future contingencies. There are, of course, other units that can provide some of this capability, but in the higher skills, in the 68 MOS series and supervisory and technical inspection MOS's, we too often fail to provide these men with a mission.

Recalling complaints in the past from men in a TO&E General Support company stationed at an Army Depot, they said that they were performing duties that rarely involved aircraft maintenance. It is unthinkable that we would relegate the soldier to such a position and, in the same breath, talk about an all-volunteer Army.

\$ Millions for re-training

As to costs — we spend millions of dollars at Ft. Rucker and Ft. Eustis annually, training and retraining personnel whom we seem to be hard-pressed to retain. Here at Hunter, we do the best job of retaining personnel on the post, despite workloads and hours that would defy retaining men in the service, regardless of the urgency of the country's situation. Our units have consistently led the post in re-enlistments and we must say that job satisfaction has to rate high on the list as a significant factor.

In the Maintenance Brigade, the enlisted (Continued on Page 28)



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1971 AAAA SWEEPSTAKES

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"FIRST AAAA SWEEPSTAKES"

Five chances to win! Sign up ONE new AAAA member before July 1, using the AAAA application form on page 4, and enter your own Sweepstakes Coupon #1 for Model Set A (Lockheed AH-56 Cheyenne, Hughes OH-6 Cayuse, and Grumman OV-1 Mohawk) OR Coupon #2 for Set C (Beech U-21, Cessna T-41, and Bell AH-1G Cobra). The drawing for Set A will be held in Los Angeles on July 15 with a separate drawing for the Set C models to be held in Wichita, Kan. on July 29. Note the "Bonus" box at the left for third and fourth chances to win on one entry! Your coupon will also be entered in the '71 Grand Sweepstakes! A fifth chance!

"SECOND AAAA SWEEPSTAKES"

Three chances to win! Sign up ONE new AAAA member before Aug. 1, using the AAAA application form on page 4, and enter your own Sweepstakes Coupon #1 for Model Sets A plus B (Sikorsky CH-54 Crane, Bell OH-58 Kiowa, and Beech T-42, plus three-model Set A), OR Coupon #2 for Sets C plus D (Boeing Ch-47 Chinook, Bell UH-1D Iroquois, and Hughes TH-55, plus three-model Set C). The drawing for the six-model fleet (Sets A and B) will be held at Bethpage, L.I., on Aug. 13 with another drawing for the Set C and D six-model fleet to be held in Philadelphia on Aug. 27. Note the "Bonus" box at the right for your third chance to win!



BONUS!

All Sweepstakes Coupons not drawn in the "Second AAAA Sweepstakes" will automatically be entered in the Oct. 1 drawing of the "Grand Sweepstakes." See p. 7 for full prize list!

"THIRD AAAA SWEEPSTAKES"

Three chances to win! Sign up a SECOND new AAAA member before September 1 using the membership application form on the reverse side, and enter your own Sweepstakes' Coupon #3 in the "Third AAAA Sweepstakes" for the SIXTEEN-MODEL FLEET of Army aircraft appearing on page 5. The entire set is YOURS! . . . A preliminary drawing will be held in Ft. Worth, Tex., on September 15 to select six coupons with the names of the three finalists to be entered in the "Fourth AAAA Sweepstakes" drawing to be held at the 13th AAAA Annual Meeting in Washington, D.C., on October 14. Sweepstakes Finalists need not be present to win.

GENERAL RULES

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EASY TO ENTER!

Select Coupon #1 OR Coupon #2 on Page 6, complete it and submit it as your entry in the drawings for the "First, Second, and Grand AAAA Sweepstakes." Have your new member complete the remaining coupon (#1 or #2) as his entry in the "Grand AAAA Sweepstakes," and an AAAA application form on the reverse side, and submit both with his annual dues on or before the July 1 or the Aug. 1 closing dates.

EXTRA BLANKS

This complete "Sweepstakes" leaflet will appear as a centerfold insert in both the May and the June, 1971 issue.

"FOURTH AAAA SWEEPSTAKES"

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"AAAA GRAND SWEEPSTAKES"

Your THIRD chance to win, if you enroll ONE new member in AAAA . . . Entries of non-winners in the First and Second AAAA Sweepstakes will automatically be entered in the AAAA Grand Sweepstakes! . . and to assist you in enrolling that ONE member, the latter may complete the coupon you do not use (#1 or #2) and we'll enter it for him in the Grand Sweepstakes, too . . . See page 7!





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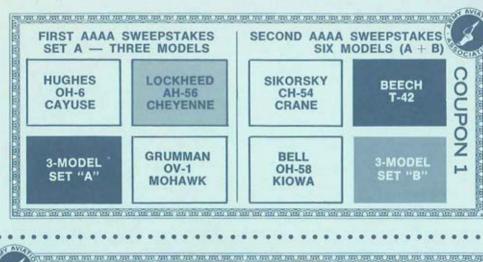
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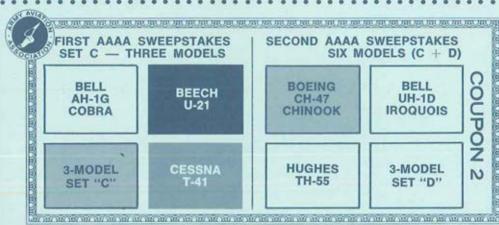
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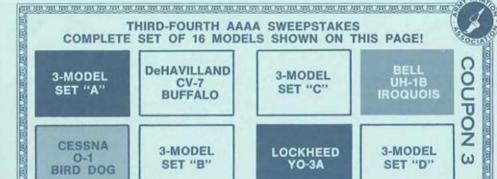
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Print Name Address

COUPON #1 - SETS A AND B

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GENERAL RULES

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COUPON #2 - SETS C AND D Entries postmarked in June and received at AAAA on or before July 1 will be entered in July 15, July 29, Aug. 13, Aug. 27, and September 15 Sweepstakes' drawings. Entries postmarked in July and received at AAAA on or before Aug. I will be entered in the AAAA Sweepstakes drawings held on Aug. 13 and 27, and September 15.

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COUPON #3 - FULL 16-MODEL SET Entries postmarked during April-August and received at AAAA on or before Sept. 1 will be entered in the Sept. 15 drawing for the "Third AAAA Sweepstakes," with the Sept. 15 finalists to compete in the Oct. 14 "Fifth AAAA Sweepstakes," This coupon may only be submitted when forwarding a second or add't new AAAA membership.

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The 1st Runner-Up will receive guest tickets to all '71 Convention functions; the 2d Runner-Up will receive a ten-volume "Decade of Airmobility" set of bound volumes of ARMY AVIA-

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AAAA's 1971 Sweepstakes!



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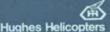












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like cheating. Anything will fly — for a time — if it finds itself in mid-air.

In 1961, an English machine (Southampton) which weighed about 130 pounds empty, was flown by a man who weighed 140. He, without outside assistance, got the whole package into the air. In 1962, a man named John Wimpenny got himself airborne and remained so for about two minutes and 995 yards. His machine, the Hatfield Mark I, weighed about 250 pounds when he began his takeoff run. He probably lost a pound or two going down the runway. Since then, the Hatfield Mark II has been flown, but its pilot was unable to crack the Wimpenny record.

U.S. unsuccessful

Japan and Canada have each designed and built machines. The former, known as the Linnet, has successfully flown. The U.S. does not appear to have conducted a successful flight during the past decade despite the efforts of Dr. Lippisch and Jonathan Mead (1963-1964) and the present interest of Professor Harper at the Georgia Institute of Technology and John H. McMasters, a PhD candidate at Purdue. The U.S.S.R. has apparently been busy with other things, but may well have flown since the English last flight of 1968.

That's who is interested in man-powered flight. Now comes the difficult question: Why?

It could be because there is a prize. In 1959, Mr. Harry Kremer offered £5000 to the first Englishman who would man-power a flying machine in a figure-eight path around two pylons placed a half-mile apart. An interested group associated with the Royal Aeronautical Society offered an equal sum to assist a worthy designer/builder.

In 1967, Mr. Kremer doubled the ante and made it available to all nationalities. The offer is still open — and unwon. The British Royal Aeronautical Society which now administers the fund, is proposing a review of the rules on December 31, 1973. Time's a'wasting.

However, what with taxes and inflation, it is doubtful that \$24,000 is sufficient incentive

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to pull nations into competition or cooperation. Golfers do better.

Perhaps, at least for the United States, our interest in reducing the environmental pollution will furnish the needed enthusiasm. According to Senator Proxmire (Page S 12472, Congressional Record, July 30), the Defense Department with its ships, planes, and surface vehicles is responsible for 80% of the pollution which the U.S. spreads around the world. Our 26,000 military aircraft (same reference, same speaker, same speech), most of which burn some form of kerosene, do cause the emission of hydrocarbons into the upper air.

Man sweat as pollutant

Of course, these particles return to earth during the next local rainfall, but in the meantime they are no doubt offensive to flying birds and other passing air vehicles. It is possible that man sweat would be less offensive than processed animal oil — it is certain to be found in smaller quantities!

Still, the opportunity to reduce the atmospheric dropout by .003 percent through the grounding of 26,000 aircraft's engines is hardly adequate reason for building a new fleet of flitters — no matter how much the Department of Defense would like to please Senator Proxmire. There must be other reasons. Perhaps the proponents of man-powered aircraft simply wish to improve the efficiency of the human engine. It could stand improvement.

As you know, the immediate source of energy to motivate the muscles is the hydrolysis of compounds to form a useful chemical. Our storage battery, like those of automobiles, stores just enough energy to get us started on some of these logy mornings. The continuing supply of energy is dependent upon the oxidation of foodstuffs, which means that without oxygen the mass of muscle just lies there.

There's quite an involved system used in

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assimilating the oxygen; from the lungs to the bloodstream, along complicated routings through varied channels to the point of need, and a considerable delay while the chemical changes take place at destination. The upshot of the whole thing is that we begin work with a small store of energy and replace the stuff as we go along. If we outrun the system, we become too pooped to proceed.

Horses we ain't!

Exhaustive research (sorry) conducted by Mr. B. S. Shenstone, Honorary Fellow of the Royal Aeronautical Society, as published in the *Aeronautical Journal* of August 1968, averages out these capabilities to:

 .6 horsepower for .6 minutes to deplete the battery, plus

.475-.500 horsepower for 25 minutes to use up the resupply.

Champion athletes, of course, do better, longer. One champion cyclist, for example, was still putting out .500 horsepower at the end of an hour after having drained his battery of 1.2 horsepower during the first 36 seconds.

Two things are rather startling about this effort. First, the champion lost this particular race, which seems to imply that the winner was either accomplished at cheating or that he was more adept at getting great output from little input. Second, despite an effort twice as good as the average, the champion was still only 20-25% efficient in his use of chemical energy. His work output, measured in horsepower equivalents, was only an approximate one-fourth of the amount contained in the chemical energy he used.

Changing breakfast cereals won't help!

No change foreseen

These deficiencies of the human engine may someday be the subject of a Congressional investigation, the results of which could aid the development of a truly cost-effective American myth or myther. Meanwhile, Army Aviators and others who fly will continue to have a roaring in their ears. That isn't too bad. Today's noise is a recognized evil and, in some ways, a comforting sound. Man-powered engine noise will be less recognizable, less comforting, and it may even be frightening.

Who knows how a man in labor will sound?

Mobile Training Team Ends In-Country Maintenance Instruction

FT. EUSTIS, VA. — A 27-man Mobile Training Team has returned home from the Republic of Vietnam after spending almost five months teaching VNAF and Royal Thai Army troops how to repair and maintain the CH-47 Chinook.

This step in Vietnamization was taken after training at the Transportation School in Huey helicopter maintenance was completed. Approximately 400 Vietnamese Air Force personnel attended these classes held in 1968 and

The instruction in Vietnam, however, was the VNAF's first introduction to the Chinook, a multi-purpose helicopter. Capt. Anthony Wotkyns, chief of the team, assisted by CW04 James H. Simpson and Master Sgt. Luke A. Fluker, explained that previously the Vietnamese had no capability for airlifting large amounts of troops, moving artillery or rescuing downed aircraft. Not with one field maintenance squadron fully operational, the VNAF are on their way to accomplishing these missions themselves.

Members of the team were hand-picked from the Aviation Maintenance Training Department of the Army Transportation School with the remainder of the team coming from Ft. Gordon, Ft. Rucker, and Hunter Army Airfield.

Two test pilots were trained to provide the squadron with personnel with in-depth knowledge of the components and flying capabilities of the aircraft. A rescue by one of these pilots of a downed *Huey* and a *Chinook* in Cambodia, where U.S. forces could not enter, proved the effectiveness of this training.

Capping off the training teams' efforts in Vietnam was the presentation by the commanding general of the Vietnamese Air Force of the Vietnamese Training Medal, Vietnam's highest award for training, to nine of the instructors in the team.

The Mobile Training Team, under control of the U.S. Army Force Advisory Group, Advisory Team No. 3, worked out of Bien Hoa and also Oui Nho

- U.S. Army Transportation School

ARMY POSITION

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pretty dull prospect. From the Army's view, the loss of a still young man, trained at great expense, and replaced only at great expense, is a disastrous economic experience. One possible answer to this is the creation of pay grades W5 and W6 as career incentive goals beyond 20 years of service. These advanced grades not only would give our aviation warrant officer something to shoot for but also would be tangible recognition of their accomplishments,

A changing profile

These innovations — flight pay equity and grades W5 and W6 — would recognize the changing profile of the typical aviation warrant officer. Prior to the initiation of the enlisted option for WOFT in 1965, candidates for flight school were selected only from the best qualified Senior NCO's. These men had considerable military service prior to receiving their appointments to warrant officer status, and advancement to CW4 prior to completion of 30 years service was an ambitious goal.



FT. RUCKER — CW2 Albert McMullen (left), of the Dept of FW Tng, USAAVNS, gets an over-the-shoulder view of the new 15G16A Defice radar unit at the Skipperville, Ala. field site. SP5 Jerry Hoglund, seated, is the GCA controller, CW2 McMullen toured the site with about 20 others viewing the new equipment at the ATC School and the several field sites.

wow!

When the final 1970 attendance was tallied at the U.S. Army Aviation Museum at Ft. Rucker, the figure totaled 241,000 visitors, an average of nearly 21,000 a month! . . . The '70 figures place the Aviation Museum fifth in attendance of the 59 Army museums throughout the world, and dwarfs the '69 attendance of 131,000 and the first-year 1968 total of 17,500. Single day record crowds of over 6,000 were recorded in June, 1970.

We must recognize, however, that the senior NCO applicant is no longer typical of the new aviation warrant officer. Today, we are training young men right out of high school. We can no longer expect a grade structure with four pay grades to satisfy his ambitions since he did not enter the warrant officer ranks at 30-40 years of age.

On the contrary, our new aviation warrant officer is a little over 18 years old and expects to make CW4 in 13-14 years. If he reaches the highest pay grade some 6-7 years prior to his being eligible for retirement at twenty years service, where is the incentive to remain? Obviously, we must create the additional pay grades if there is to be career satisfaction in remaining beyond 20 years.

Appropriate duty

It will also be necessary that duty positions be recognized which fully utilize and demand the training and experience associated with the full-time career aviator and these increased grades. The current concept envisages specific TO&E and TD positions requiring the career specialist's knowledge wherever the aviation warrant officer's particular expertise is needed, ranging from the company-sized unit to the DA staff.

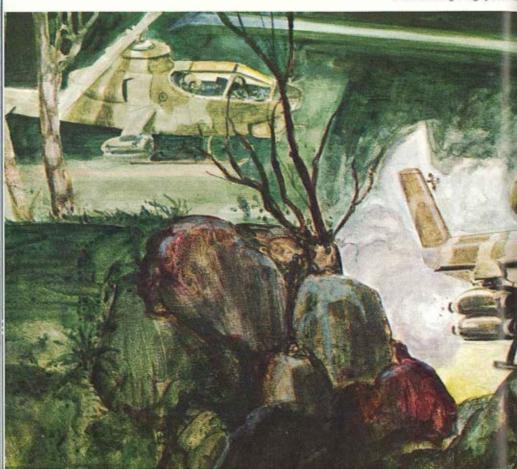
These are steps the Army might take to enhance career incentives for the aviation warrant officer: flight pay equity, position identification, and grades W5 and W6.

The "Flight Pay Equity" bill has been submitted by the Army to DOD. The creation of grades W5 and W6, the feasibility of establishing warrant officer staff positions, and the grading of warrant officer positions on authorization documents are presently being re-studied by a special DCSPER/OPO study

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group. The current effort will concentrate upon developing vertical echelons of successively greater responsibility to support the proposed grades. Estimated completion date

is September, 1971.

Improvement of career incentives for the aviation warrant officer requires the full understanding and support of the Army as a whole. Without such support, we will continue to lose these irreplaceable assets. It is imperative that all of us do all that we can to influence the implementation of these improvements. Once this is accomplished we can take pride in our contributions to the continuation of a dynamic and effective aviation warrant officer program that will make a significant contribution to the ultimate goals of the Modern Volunteer Army.

(Ed. Note: The foregoing article was received from MG G. P. Seneff, AAAA's V.P. for Army Affairs, with the tack-on note: "Let's let our fine Warrant Officers know that we are still working for them. Pll continue to report on the status of our AWO program through such articles.")

TOP RATING!



ATLANTA, GA. — James A. Rogers (right), Director, FAA, Southern Region, pins the Master Army Aviator Badge on CW4 Charles D. Hooks, in a recent ceremony held in the Southern Region Hqs. CW4 Hooks is the Assistant Department of the Army Regional Representative in the FAA's Southern Region offices in Atlanta. He holds ratings for FW, RW, single, and multi-engine aircraft. (FAA)

G.I. TALENT!

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man can look around him and see visible evidence that he can reach E-9 in the Maintenance field and for those men aspiring to be officers and those junior officers already in the unit, they can see a full colonel who has also made the grade doing aircraft maintenance. The tangible evidences of men that have made careers in the Maintenance field add great incentive to the young GI who wants to stick with the Army and make it a career.

In my opinion, we need to give additional training missions to the USAAVNS Element

that insure development and maintenance of aviation support skills on all aircraft in the Army inventory. The Aircraft Maintenance Brigade has the capability to provide aircraft rehabilitation on a limited basis and has the facilities to augment and enhance the overall quality of the fleet throughout CONUS. If necessary, an area support mission could be given to the Brigade to insure that a mission exists that will utilize the military aircraft mechanic in his chosen field. We can read "Lessons Learned" forever, but if we don't act, we may be overlooking one of the best things going for aviation maintenance and the volunteer Army that we have seen in the past few years.

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RECOGNITION!

Dear Editor:

I've sent you some photos of MG G. P. "Phip" Seneff receiving his Master Aviator wings. I believe that this is one general who has truly earned his Master Wings, and is respected throughout the aviation community as a fully professional pilot.

He's flown everything the Army has and has flown it well. He has an outstanding combat record and was a true leader in the 1st Aviation Brigade which he formed and then forged into a magnificent fight-

ing unit.

A few interesting facts on General Seneff's pinning ceremony . . . Although the ceremony was arranged on a few hours' notice, we were able to assemble from within the Pentagon twelve general officers who were Army Aviators. Five were lieutenant generals, with four of the five being ex-commanders of airmobile divisions in combat. Three of the generals were Master Army Aviators.

This would hardly have seemed possible at the time General Seneff entered the program as a student

pilot sixteen years ago!

On the same day "Phip" Seneff became eligible for his wings, MG George Putnam, now commanding the 1st Cav Division (photo, top right) also pinned on his Master Aviator wings. LTG Jack Tolson will

... AND WEST IS WEST!



MG G. P. Seneff, Jr. (left), Deputy Director, Project MASSTER, Fort Hood, Tex., is shown receiving the Master Army Aviator Badge in recent Pentagon ceremonies. Making the presentation is LTG Robert R. Williams, Assistant Chief of Staff for Force Development, Dept. of the Army.

EAST IS EAST ...



On the other side of the world, MG George W. Putnam, Jr., CG of the 1st Cavalry Division (Airmobile) was awarded the Master Aviator Badge at Division Hqs in Phuoc Vinh. Making the presentation was LTC Edward E. Waldron, dep comdr of the 11th Combat Aviation Group and the divisions's senior Master Aviator.

After the presentation, General Putnam (center) was joined by other 1st Cav Master Aviators. From left to right in above photo are LTC William N. Tingler, CO, 11th GS Company; LTC George L. Martin, CO, 227th Avn Bn; General Putnam; LTC Waldron; and LTC Carl Putnam, CO, 1st Sqdn, 9th Cav.

not be too far behind, and LTG "Jack" Norton becomes eligible for the rating next year.

I noticed in your February issue you listed the father and son and brother combinations who were Army Aviators. I also noticed that you missed probably the most famous brother combination. Lloyd and Floyd Petty are both serving on the General Staff in the grade of colonel and are both Master Army Aviators. They are — as one might deduce from the names — twins.

Robert R. Williams Lieutenant General, USA Washington, D.C.

(Ed. Note: The reference to twelve rated general officers raised our eyebrows for a moment. It was difficult to believe at first, but true! Attending the ceremony were LTG William T. Knowles, LTG John Norton, LTG Williams, LTG John M. Wright, Jr., and LTG Melvin Zais; MG Francis S. Greenlief, MG E. B. Roberts, and MG Ellis W. Williamson; BG Fred E. Karhohs, BG Eugene M. Lynch (since PCS'd to Hunterstewart), BG William J. Maddox, Jr., and BG Conrad L. Stansberry.)

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On Guard!

ALTHOUGH it is the type of work we like to do, the unprecedented surge of former active Army Aviators joining the Army National Guard has created a sizable backlog of individuals awaiting flight status orders. A recently published NGB information letter spelled out some measures aimed at streamlining and expediting procedures for obtaining Army National Guard Flying Status.

In addition to internal measures being implemented at NGB, the states were asked to (1) add as an inclosure to the Flying Evaluation Board a copy of the State Orders appointing an individual to the ARNG; (2) whenever possible, authenticate the Class II flight physical as being reviewed and approved by competent U.S. Army authority; and (3) forward Flying Evaluation Board proceedings to CNGB, ATTN: ARO-A. To further assist in this area an ARNG Warrant Officer Aviator is being placed on 90-day TDY to NGB to work exclusively on removing this backlog.

Changes to NGR 95-3

NGR 95-3 is being rewritten to include the policy statement contained in a recent NGB letter on additional flight training periods (AFTP). The net effect will be to preclude aviators who are in a flight excusal status and serving in an non-aviation MOS from participating in AFTPs. Other changes to NGR 95-3 will be to broaden those eligible crew members for AFTPs to include gunners, airborne electronic sensory system operators and supervisors, and medical aidmen.

GS level maintenance

The summary sheet action requesting authority for the ARNG to be responsible for its own aircraft maintenance thru GS level (as opposed to DS now) has been coordinated with the DA Staff and is now awaiting approval from the Army Chief of Staff. The proposal includes the addition of a fourth Transportation Aircraft Repair Shop (TARS)

located somewhere in the southeast to augment the three existing TARS at Fresno, CA; Springfield, MO; and Groton, CT. Hopefully, approval will be granted to coincide with the 1 July 71 date when GS responsibility shifts from AMC to CONARC.

East-west conferences

To replace the ARNG Conferences that were conducted on an Army Area basis the NGB conducted two regional (east and west of MS River) management conferences this spring. The eastern conference was held at Knoxville, TN, on 30-31 March and the western conference was held 7-8 April at Colorado Springs, CO. The NGB aviation staff was particularly pleased that USABAAR was able to give its Senior Officer Aviation Safety presentation to the assembled Adjutants General and their State Aviation Officers.

Chinook factory training

CH-47 factory training for maintenance technicians at the Boeing plant in Philadelphia commenced on 5 April. The training will be in three specialized areas covering power-train-airframe, avionics, and electrical systems. The first CH-47s are now set for delivery to ARNG units in California, Iowa, and Texas during April. That's it from the Bureau!

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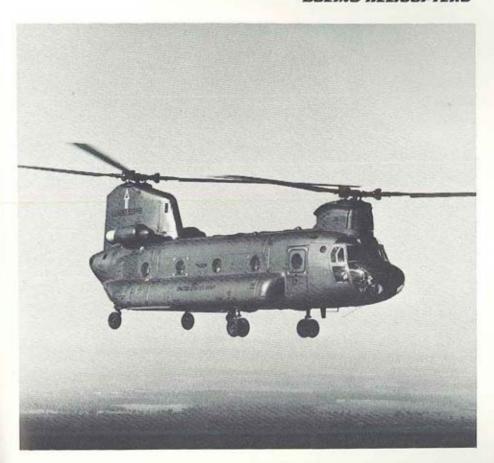
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