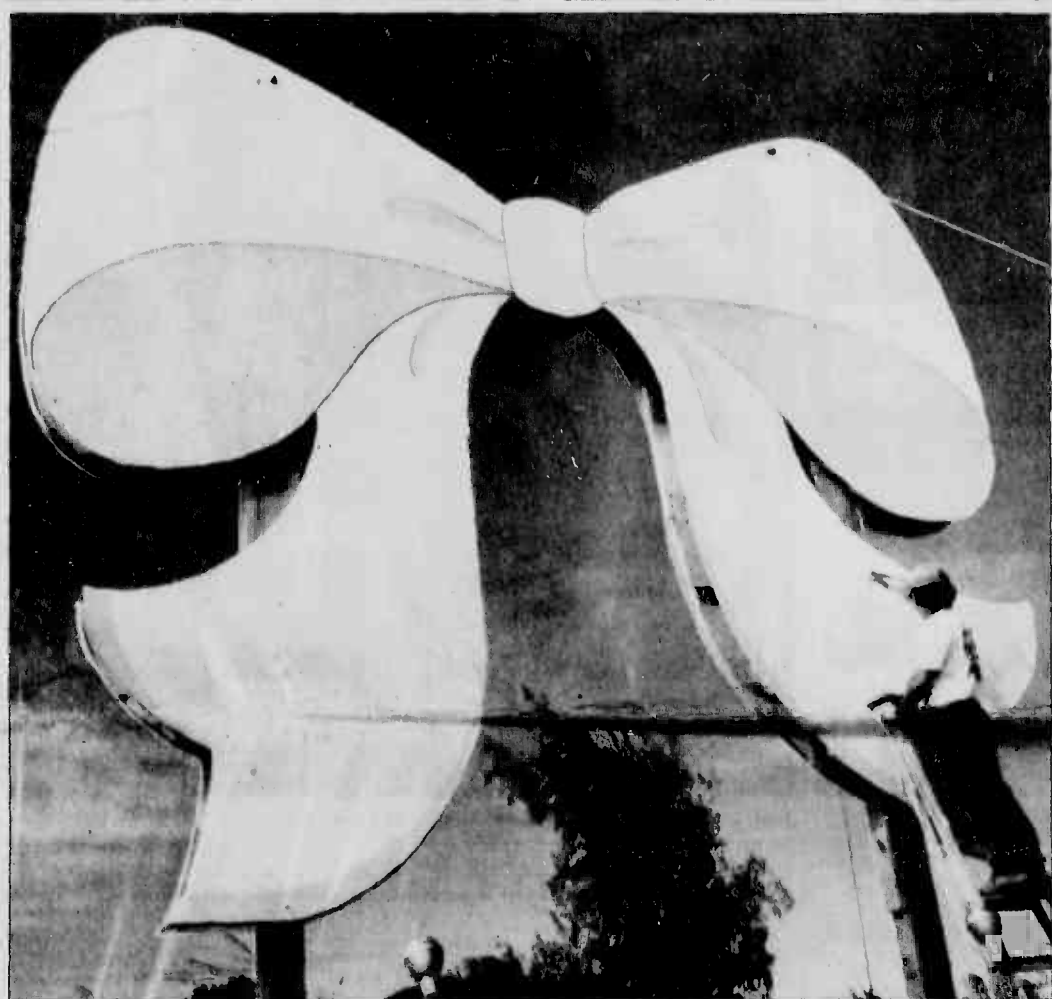


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Special tribute

Jasper Wells, a civilian employee with the Facilities Department here, touches-up the 20-foot wooden yellow ribbon erected at the Main Gate in March. Throughout Operations Desert Shield/Storm, yellow ribbons symbolized support for the deployed troops and their families, and a swelling of American patriotism. Those historic, unforgettable months are commemorated in a special salute this week. See Section B.

Parade

Marines march in massive kick-off for Military Week

By Cpl. Jason Erickson
Hawaii Marine Staff Writer

Sixteen hundred Kaneohe-based Marines and sailors will march in a massive parade through Honolulu Saturday morning. The parade, titled "Ho'ohānāhano Na Koa," honors past and present warriors and will kick off the 1991 Hawaii Military Week.

According to Nelson Fujio, the "Parade Man," approximately a quarter million spectators are expected to turn out to cheer on their homecoming heroes as the procession snakes its way from Ala Park to Ala Moana Park. More than 25,000 people will participate in the parade. LtGen. Walter Boomer, commander of all land-based Marine Forces in Southwest Asia during Operations Desert Shield and Storm, will come from his home base at Camp Pendleton, Calif., to participate.

It begins at 9:30 a.m., and will be followed by a free concert in Ala Moana Park from noon to 4:30 p.m. These two events are only the Opening Ceremonies. The rest of the week is filled with events around Oahu as part of Military Week.

This year's theme, "We Are Family...Reunited," reflects the relationship between service members and the people of Hawaii. According to Military Week Chairman Kenneth F. Froelich, the people of Hawaii have held the annual celebration for the past six years, as a way to express their gratitude for the military's past and present contributions, and to promote an awareness within the community of the military's economic and social contributions.

With national patriotism and military appreciation at levels not seen since World War II, this year's celebration is expected to shine above all others.

Adm. Charles Larson, Commander in Chief, U.S. Pacific Command, said he "speaks for all of our service members, civilian employees and their families, when (he says) that we are very touched by your efforts to enhance our close relationships."

The parade was created in the wake of the Persian Gulf War victory, as a way to welcome home the troops and honor the veterans of previous wars.

While July 4 had been discussed as a possible date for the parade, according to Military Affairs Councilman Hector Venegas, it was combined with Hawaii Military Week to spice up the annual celebration, and to allow the people of Hawaii an earlier opportunity to welcome home their Persian Gulf War veterans. The decision was made during a preliminary meeting for the parade in March.

Kaneohe-based troops in four F/A-18 Hornet jetfighters will lead off the parade with a flyby, while those on the ground will bring up the rear of the marching column as the grand finale. Mayor Frank Fasi and Gov. John Waihee will watch the first 90 minutes of the parade from a reviewing stand, but will join Col. John Admire to march the rest of the parade with the Marines.

The 1,600 Marines and sailors represent all Kaneohe-based units who deployed to the Persian Gulf during the war and will be broken down into 24 marching elements, according to PARADE/A-3

By LCpl. G. Poznar Smith
Hawaii Marine Staff Writer

The emptiness and fear is gone from the Air Station. The homecomings of Kaneohe Bay's Desert Storm troops have cleared the road back to routine business.

But, great challenges still face the Station community - like how to deal with the immense and rapid return of war veterans from the Persian Gulf.

It can best be described as growing pains - a growth that started nine months ago when the troops deployed.

For all America, the relatively peaceful years since Vietnam had been like a quiet drive in the country. The impact of Iraq's invasion of Kuwait last August was like a 50-car pileup on a rush-hour freeway.

Soon after, 1st Marine Expeditionary Brigade troops began leaving for Southwest Asia. By the New Year, little of the Brigade remained behind. Families watched, torn with uncertainty and hollowed by the

reality. Marines and sailors left behind felt much the same way, watching friends and co-workers leave, not knowing when or if their turn would come.

Local businesses, especially Windward establishments, felt the shock where it counts - in their purse strings and profit charts. The owner of a barber shop, located outside the Air Station, fought off bankruptcy for seven months. It was a close shave, but the homecomings came in the nick of time. America danced and cheered in the streets and glowed in the limelight of victory and patriotism. There was little time to think of anything else. However, even as the nationwide party continues, the challenge to regroup and move on confronts the community.

The difficulties accompanying the troops' return are back too, such as parking, traffic congestion and long lines at business establishments.

During the desert deployment, many services on the Air Station were cut back. Morale, Welfare

and Recreation provides many of these services, and, out of necessity had to reduce a portion of its work force and limit some of its hours of operation.

According to Sharon Delay, employee development specialist at MWR, the massive homecoming has meant MWR is gearing up to handle their return. "We're trying to get the services back up to speed," Delay said. "But we're having problems getting qualified personnel."

Delay said MWR currently employs about 850 workers; down from the normal 900. That number went down to around 700 during the height of the deployment.

"MWR's mission is to serve the Air Station community," said Delay. "If we don't do our job, it has a long-range effect. Some of the services may suffer."

Just go into the Hale Ohana restaurant here at lunch, and it's quite apparent that the Desert Storm troops have landed. Long lines, crowded tables and a packed arcade room

might spell inconvenience to many. But to MWR, which runs Hale Ohana among other activities, it means back to business as usual.

"MWR lost profit during the deployment," said Walt Skierkowski, director of MWR. "But we continued to keep the activities running during their absence. Now, we're back to the same hours of operation, and we're looking at increasing hours and possibly extending some of the services."

Skierkowski added that while there isn't much MWR can do to make-up the financial loss due to the deployment, he doesn't foresee any service or activity cutbacks.

Non-MWR activities, such as the Exchange Post Office, the Mokapu (Back) Gate and the Anderson Hall Dining Facility are also back on line. Increased service activities aren't the only obvious changes.

For the first time in months, the familiar roar of F/A-18 jets and rotors of CH-53D helicopters can be heard. Helicopters,

some still coated with desert camouflage paint, can be seen criss-crossing the Mokapu Peninsula sky. The "grunts" and Brigade service support Marines and sailors are everywhere. They can be seen and heard running or marching in long, motivated formations in the mornings, or massed at armories, cleaning months of sand and grime from their weapons.

According to the Brigade's new commanding general, BGen. James E. Livingston, his troops won't have much time to rest on their laurels. Intense unit training will resume, which is another sign that the Air Station is almost fully back to routine.

Complete families are together again - shopping, walking, playing or puttering around at their homes.

For all affected, the war was a tough haul. And nobody said the return to "business as usual" would be easy. Precisely as the Air Station adapted to the massive deployments, it continues to readjust as the troops come home.

K-Bay comes back to life

News In Brief

Free long distance calls

MCI will have a tent set up across from the Main Exchange Saturday and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. for free phone calls to the mainland United States as a welcome home gesture.

Utility bill assistance

The Honolulu Community Action Program is currently sponsoring two energy assistance packages to assist low-income families with their electric or gas bills. Qualification for assistance

is based on income level for family size. For more information and income criteria, contact the Family Service Center at 257-3655.

Military Spouses Day

The Family Service Center will have an open house today from 10 a.m. to noon in celebration of Military Spouses Day. The event will feature refreshments, balloons for kids and the opportunity to meet the FSC staff and learn about the services they offer.

Donations for deceased baby's family

Donations are being accepted for memorial services for Michael Hedd Jr., the son of HMM-262 Sgt. Michael Hedd Sr. and wife Darleen. The 3-year-old died April 27 at Tripler Army Medical Center after falling three stories from a Pearl City apartment complex. His memorial service will be held in Norfolk, Va. Donations can be mailed to: Kelly Davis/ KMCAS/ 2445-C Cochran St./ Kailua, HI 96734.

K-Bay Marines mingle with Hilo community

Story and photo by Lt. Col. G. Pozner Smith
Hawaii Marine Staff Writer

HILO, Hawaii - Kaneohe Bay Marines visited Waiakea Intermediate School here April 30, and displayed a variety of Marine Corps equipment to the students as part of a new Marine Corps community relations project.

The project, called the Community Drug Awareness Program, was established by Lt. Gen. R.F. Milligan, commanding general, Fleet Marine Force, Pacific. Lt. Gen. Milligan, acting on Headquarters Marine Corps guidance, referred the project to Col. R.R. Critser, commanding officer of Marine Corps Air Station, Kaneohe Bay. Critser then instituted the program within his command.

One purpose of the troops' visits was to interact with students and communities, and to provide an educational demonstration that is entertaining for the students. The Marines, who were accompanied by a Navy corpsman, also had a chance to polish some battle skills training in conjunction with the visit.

As a secondary mission, the Marines and the corpsman took part in an operation they've dubbed Task Force "Na Keiki" - the Children. The Air Station conducts its monthly drug awareness and community relations project as part of a Corps-wide program initiated to educate the public and help reduce the demand for illegal drugs.

Anti-drug messages were not the only focus of the visit. The troops presented a positive role model and image for the children. Several of the Marines, such as the helicopter crewmen from Marine Medium Helicopter

Squadron-165, served in the Persian Gulf during Operation Desert Shield and Storm.

The April 30 visit was the third to Hawaii for the Station Marines, and different schools will be visited.

During this visit, more than 30 Marines, representing Headquarters and Headquarters Squadron, Station Operations and Maintenance Squadron and HMM-165, landed on the soccer field adjacent to the school. The Marines charged out of two, twin-rotor CH-46 "Sea Knight" helicopters, quickly hit the ground in a half circle, and formed what's called a "defensive perimeter."

The troops then divided into groups of four and five. They set-up field equipment such as radio and communication gear, chemical protective suits with gas masks, and a medical display that showed simulated wounds that occur in combat.

Hundreds of students, teachers and parents were present for the community relations project. They were given the chance to meet face-to-face with the troops as teachers guided groups of children to the different demonstration sites.

Midway through the day, the corpsman, or "Doc" as the Marines called him, was able to perform his medical skills in a real emergency. Hospitalman Troy Sebastian, now a corpsman with 2d Battalion, 3d Marines, was busy telling a group of students about first aid and combat wounds when an excited teacher ran up to him and said he was needed nearby.

A small girl had fainted and was found unconscious on the ground. Sebastian, a corpsman of two years, checked the girl's vital signs and determined that the child was suffering from

dehydration and mild heat exhaustion.

Sebastian scooped the child up in his arms, and hurried to an air conditioned classroom. "While outside, I had to ensure her airway was clear and she was breathing on her own," Sebastian said. "I kept wet towels on her forehead to bring down her temperature, and she began to show signs of coming around. I then gave her small amounts of water."

The school nurse showed up about 15 minutes after Sebastian first brought the child to the classroom, followed shortly by the girl's mother. "The nurse just kind of let me handle the situation," said Sebastian, a 22-year-old from Oregon City, Ore. "The mother was really thankful, and I am glad I was there to help."

After the girl was fully recovered, Sebastian returned to his teaching site on first aid.

First Lt. Jim Byrne, officer-in-charge of the detachment, said the deed performed by Sebastian proves that training is vital to the Marine Corps' and Navy's missions, and it paid off on this visit.

"I think we were well-received," said Byrne. "Coming in on the helicopters was definitely an attention getter. The information we passed to them was absorbed by the children, and I'm sure a good relationship was established."

After the displays, the Marines ate lunch with the children, signed autographs and chatted with the sixth, seventh and eighth graders. The men and women in green then filed back into their helicopters, waved to the mass of children, and headed back for the Windward coast of Oahu.

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A charge of Air Station Marines set-up a defensive perimeter at the school.

Marines march in parade

PARADE/from A-1 ing to Capt. Bryce Cameron of Brigade G-3. The vast majority of these are various elements within the 1st Marine Expeditionary Brigade, but will also include warriors of 1st Radio Battalion and Company B, 7th Communications Battalion.

Within the 1st MEB, participants will come from all three battalions of the 3d Marines; 1st Bn., 12th Marines; various companies of Brigade Service Support Group-1; and all Marine Aircraft Group-24 squadrons that were deployed to the Mideast except HMM-262 and VMFA-212, which are still deployed to the Persian Gulf.

Marine Corps rolling stock will include 105 and 155mm Howitzer artillery pieces, HMMWVs, Assault Amphibian Vehicles, and a D-7 Bulldozer. In addition to the Hornets, CH-46 and CH-53 helicopters will also participate.

Other Marine Corps equipment will be set up in a static display at Ala Moana Park and on Magic Island.

Kaneohe-based troops will be preceded in the parade by representatives of the other four branches of service, veterans from both World Wars, the Korean and Vietnam Wars, and private organizations and various high school bands. The other services will also conduct fly-bys, participate with rolling stock and set up static displays.

The marching troops will be showered with flowers by a Honolulu Fire Department helicopter as a Hawaiian twist to the tradition of tickertape and confetti tossing. Fasi is encouraging owners of buildings along the parade route to decorate their buildings with banners and patriotic colors to show their support for the troops, while spectators are urged to wave American and Hawaiian flags.

A total of five public address stands will provide a running narrative about each of the parade units and will be set up along the route at Ala Park, Bank of Hawaii Main Branch on King Street, in front of Honolulu Hale, at Restaurant Row on South Street and at Fisherman's Wharf on Ala Moana.

Some of the other featured attractions during the week include "Military Appreciation Day" at the Hawaii Maritime Center Sunday, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; a "Canteen Party" at the USO grounds at Fort DeRussy Tuesday evening, from 5:30 to 7:30; a combined military concert at the Waikiki Shell Wednesday, from 7 to 9 p.m.; and a family day and tribute to the troops at Pearl Harbor May 19, from noon to 4:30 p.m. For complete schedule and description of these and other events, see listing Page 2.

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Trauma center prepared for worst in Saudi

By SSgt. Gloria Necoste
Hawaii Marine Press Chief

The Persian Gulf War was expected to claim thousands of U.S. service members' lives and injure thousands of others, but the U.S. medical staff was prepared for the worst.

Fleet Marine Force Pacific medical units rallied together before the war and built the largest trauma center in Saudi Arabia, which also became the fourth largest medical facility in the U.S. Navy.

Completed in only five days, the Al Khanjar Navy/Marine Corps Trauma Center was spearheaded by Hawaii Marines and sailors of Company A, 3d Medical Battalion, Brigade Service Support Group-1, 1st Marine Expeditionary Brigade.

Located just 10 miles from the Kuwaiti border, the center was also augmented with 1st and 2d MedBn. personnel.

Navy Lt. Col. Jamison A. Whiteman, executive officer of Co. A, 3d MedBn, explained how this unique center came about.

Whiteman said the Navy Fleet Hospital was located about 120 miles from the Kuwaiti border and contained six operating rooms, while the hospital ships had 10 operating rooms.

"As soon as we arrived in Saudi Arabia last August, we were integrated into the 1st Force Service Support Group from Camp Pendleton, Calif.," Whiteman recalled.

"Our company was redesignated as Co. H, 1st MedBn. In anticipation of the ground war, we received orders Feb. 10 from BGen. Krulak's staff instructing us to move adjacent to the Kuwaiti border and establish

a military medical facility capable of supporting 1 Marine Expeditionary Force's operations."

Whiteman said they took all of their gear that would sustain them for 30 days. That was equivalent to about 150 logistics vehicle systems of equipment.

"When we arrived at the Al Khanjar Trauma Center site in the middle of the desert, we didn't have time to set up re-enforced concrete facilities," Whiteman pointed out. "We anticipated receiving Iraqi artillery fire, so the 7th and 8th Engineer Battalions got us dug-in with reinforced sandbags. In our underground haven we heard bombing in the distance. It was quite spooky out there in the middle of nowhere - but we did fine."

Over the next few days, the Marines and sailors pooled efforts and worked fervently to complete the crucial trauma center.

Once completed, the 300-bed center consisted of 12 operating rooms; a 36-bed intensive care unit; a 24-bed emergency room with total X-ray, laboratory and pharmacy capabilities.

He was responsible for the center, its anticipated patients, and 80 medical officers, 350 corpsmen and about 50 Marines from 1st, 2d and 3d MedBns, who worked as support personnel in communications, maintenance and motor transportation. Whiteman also had to assign field corpsmen to advance with the Marines in support of their combat mission.

The center's medical staff included highly skilled personnel in all areas of hospital, field and trauma medicine. The staff included psychiatrists, general sur-

geons, orthopedic and neurosurgeons, anesthesiologists and a host of others.

Whiteman said Navy Reserve Capt. Frederick Burkle, head physician and professor of medicine at the University of Hawaii and Bronze Star recipient during the Vietnam War, gave the center a tremendous amount of medical and professional leadership. Burkle has since redeployed to the Middle East in support of the Kurdish refugee relief efforts.

"Not only did we have a fantastic medical staff, we had state of the art equipment and were as capable as any inner-city trauma center in the United States - if not more," Whiteman stressed. "If a patient had a crushed pelvis, we would use a pelvis fixator that set the pelvis. The Navy had 13 of them in Saudi Arabia and we had 12 assigned to us."

According to Whiteman, the center was equipped with field showers that were used by surgeons and corpsmen who were involved in direct patient care. Because the operating rooms had to be cleaned after each operation, water was brought in in "six-cons" (containers) and used conservatively.

Whiteman said U.S. casualties were expected to be about 1,000 on the first day of the ground war. However, only a few casualties were brought in Feb. 24, which was "G-Day."

"Because we were so close to the Kuwaiti border, we were able to receive casualties a lot quicker," Whiteman added. "We had our own 'triage,' where we sort victims coming in from the battle and determined priority



The Al Khanjar Navy/Marine Trauma Center, located 10 miles from the Kuwaiti border, became a safe haven for the injured warriors and refugees of Operation Desert Storm.

or appropriate place for medical treatment. We anticipated gas attacks to be a possibility, so we had a regular helicopter landing zone, a decontamination 1/2 and a decontamination station. We were totally prepared and equipped to support more victims, but praise God, we didn't have to."

Whiteman said during the entire ground warfare, the center conducted 88 major surgeries in four days and 466 patients were admitted. Those figures included a combination of Iraqi soldiers, allied forces, 1st and 2d Marine Division personnel and members of the U.S. Army's Tiger Brigade.

"Most of the victims were brought in by air and some by ground transportation and were treated mostly for extremity trauma, shrapnel and high-velocity wounds (from bullets)," said Whiteman. "We also performed a few brain surgeries. More than 95 percent of the U.S. Marines who received major injuries during the breach were treated by us at the center."

Whiteman said patients

were held at the center for about 24 hours, but no more than two days. Once the trauma patients were treated and stabilized, they were sent to fleet hospitals in the rear.

He said if a victim was due a second chance medically, his facility and staff were the ones to give it to them. "But sadly, we lost a few patients," Whiteman said. "We received two Marines who were dead on arrival. One died after an operation and we had a small number of Iraqi soldiers who didn't make it."

The trauma center wasn't just limited to the treatment of combat troops, it also assisted Iraqi and Kuwaiti refugees and families fleeing the war-torn areas.

"An Iraqi family's car was blown up and a young child received shrapnel wounds which we treated," recalled Whiteman. "A 40-year-old Iraqi Army private told us he'd heard that if he was captured by the Marines, they would shoot him. He began to cry and said he would never see his family again. He was lice-infested, had no shoes on and hadn't

eaten in three days. Although we offered him food, he didn't eat until he saw us eat the same food."

Whiteman said after those events, the refugees, families and Enemy Prisoners of War began to show their gratitude. He said it became more of a humanitarian affair and thoroughly heartwarming as Marines and sailors gave away their personal food and clothing to make the new visitors' lives more comfortable.

"Although we were in a foreign country and at war, this personal generosity and sharing took away some of the pains that come with war," said Whiteman.

He added that because of all the training they did during peacetime, when it came time to treat patients during the war, a lot of lives were saved.


"With direct support from numerous elements from 1st MEB, other Marine and Navy units and all our medical personnel assigned to the trauma center, we saw Navy medicine at its finest," Whiteman stressed. "It was a phenomenal experience. We trusted our training and instinct, and we did it."

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K-Bay community joins in picnic

Story and photo by Cpl. Jason Erickson
Hawaii Marine Staff Writer

For the seven months of the Persian Gulf crisis, the Station community kept families of deployed troops entertained and informed with frequent Community Days. Now that nearly all 8,000 Kaneohe-based Marines and sailors of the war are home, the Station is keeping the Community Day tradition alive - but these days, they're for the whole family.

The first of these events came Saturday with a beach festival at Pyramid Rock (see story next week). On Sunday, the festivities moved to the softball field by Larson Gym for a family picnic.

As with just about every community event in the past

seven months, Shriners volunteered their time as clowns for the sake of the children, but the highlight at Sunday's picnic had to be the Major League Baseball Players Alumni.

Eleven former pros currently on tour to military bases around the world, provided a fresh form of entertainment as they signed autographs, gave a clinic on baseball and teamed up against the Air Station Varsity Softball Team in a friendly game.

Believe it or not, the Kaneohe All-Stars whopped the pros with ease. In a 15-4 victory over the far older pros, the Kaneohe team proved that youth is a crucial factor. Frequent practice and a busy game schedule didn't hurt.



One of 11 former pro-baseball players get the ball from first just in time to force Kaneohe All-Star player, Tammy Barnhard out at second.

CMC praises spouses'

Editor's note: The following message is from Gen. A.M. Gray, Commandant of the Marine Corps.

The return of many of our warriors from Operation Desert Storm while others continue to serve globally provides a poignant opportunity to recognize the devotion and sacrifices of the men and women who stand behind the nation's Marines.

Military spouses enjoy no special title or compensation. They are, in the truest sense, volunteers - committed to the same high ideals of service and patriotism as their Marine husbands and wives. Their "tours of duty" routinely mean the interruption of personal careers, the rigors of establishing a new home, and the endurance of personal and financial hardships during frequent periods of family separation.

Their pride in sharing the responsibilities of defending this great nation is mirrored in their extensive personal involvement within the civilian communities they call home. They, like their Marines, are willing to step forward and accept the challenge of freedom.

It is truly fitting that on this special day set aside to honor our military spouses that we take the time to say "thank-you" to these brave and dedicated individuals. Their commitment is truly the bonding substance that preserves the ideals and integrity of our Marine Corps family.

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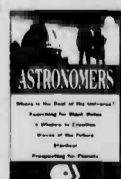


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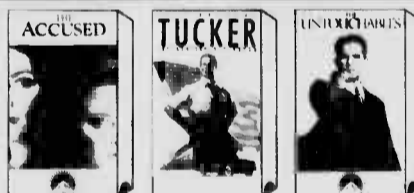
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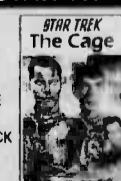


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MEB Marines soar above administrative obstacles

Story and photo by Cpl. Reginald M. Cole
Hawaii Marine Staff Writer

Someone walking into their section for the first time, may get the impression that it's a madhouse. But the frenzy of Marines scurrying about in the Headquarters and Service Company, 1st Marine Expeditionary Brigade administrative section does mean something - productivity.

The Marines at HQSVC administrative section have taken the Air Station by storm during their administrative war in the last seven months.

The section, which had only 20 Marines in its ranks at the onset of Operation Desert Shield back in August, took on the enormous task of processing the admin-

istrative paperwork for all of the remain behind Marines of 1st MEB and incoming personnel to the Brigade. All Marines and sailors returning from Southwest Asia were also processed through their administrative section.

According to CWO2 Joan Binns, HQSVC personnel officer, the combined sections used to process about 10 end of active service or permanent change of station orders a day, but since Operations Desert Shield and Storm, that number has nearly doubled.

Binns said the sections were ultimately responsible for processing more than 2,000 permanent change of station and end of active service orders.

Although she added that the task was completed

through a collective effort from all the sections, she noticed the extra effort from one particular Marine.

According to Binns, in one month alone, Cpl. Robin Wright, an orders clerk, single-handedly processed nearly 300 EAS PCS orders.

"Corporal Wright just makes things happen. There are no complaints, no excuses - just a lot of extra hours and extraordinary effort," said Binns. According to Binns, Wright spearheaded the paperwork assault with finesse.

There are some out there who may think that Marines in the administration profession are "pencil pushers," or "admin pogues," but Wright said, "It really doesn't bother me when I hear talk like

that." "A lot of people depend on us," he quipped. "I feel that my job is just as important as anyone else's."

Most of the Marines in the section say they have grown accustomed to the inevitable barrage of questions and complaints that come with their positions, but they insist that they haven't grown calloused to the service members' needs.

"There was a time when we had boxes of service record books and stacks of discharge paperwork that needed to be processed," said Sgt. Patricia Ann Washington, company personnel chief. "Another time, we were operating with one computer and two typewriters. Although we faced tough times, we knew we had a job to do and we did it together."



Cpls. Robin Wright, (left) and Howard Hill of HQSVC 1st MEB administrative section, are two of the Marines responsible for processing thousands of PCS and EAS and travel claims for the Brigade.

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WASHINGTON -- A nutrition organization was hopeful that a nutritionally complete "hi-tech" food tablet would help erase world hunger problems, until a study revealed that one of the ingredients could cause significant weight loss.

Researchers in Europe found that an ingredient in the aptly named product Food Source One actually caused people to lose weight, even though specifically instructed not to alter normal eating patterns, according to one study published in the prestigious *British Journal of Nutrition*. Researchers in an earlier study had speculated that the weight loss was due to a decrease in the intestinal absorption of calories.

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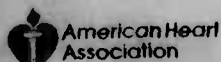
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The memorandum gives brief descriptions of services available aboard the Station to give returning Marines, sailors and their families information on where to turn for assistance with a variety of situations. Portions of the memorandum follow:

● **Legal (257-2168)** - To address issues of marriage contracts, financial advocacy, rental disputes, consumer reposessions, separation and divorce.

● **Provost Marshal's Office (257-7114)** - For motor vehicle and general police information.

● **Traffic Management Office (257-3242) Housing (257-2705)** - To address moving issues such as early return of dependents, access to stored personal property.

● **Command Administration** - For assistance with allotments, stop-gap discharge issues, re-enlistments or disbursing questions.

● **Family Advocacy (257-5023) Military Family Abuse Shelter (533-7125)** - Deals with issues of spouse or child abuse.

● **Family Service Center (257-3655) and Armed Services YMCA (254-4719)** - Provide information and referral services, employee resource center for job assistance, help with resumes,

and counseling services for: marital concerns, parenting, anger control, stress management, adolescent/teen and personal issues.

● **Child Development Center (254-5335), After School Care Program (254-2963), In-home Child Care (254-2112)** - For child care concerns.

● **Chaplain's Department (Air Station 257-3552) (MAG-24 257-1879) (Brigade 257-1028)** - provide marital and family counseling, spiritual counseling, individual counseling or crisis intervention.

● **Navy/Marine Corps Relief (254-1328) and Red Cross (257-3150)** - Do budget planning, financial assistance and emergency leave assistance.

● **Joint Drug and Alcohol**

Center (254-5507) - Handle cases involving alcohol and drug abuse and maintain the Crisis and Suicide Hotline (521-4555 or 911)

● **Morale, Welfare and Recreation (254-5871)** - Entertainment discounts and recreation.

● **Public Affairs Office (257-5743)** - Escort ALL media coming aboard the Air Station. People are free to talk to the media as they wish, but must contact PAO if they bring any reporters aboard. Also point of contact for newsworthy information about units, families and individuals for *Hawaii Marine* articles.

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• A Marine was arrested for failing to pay a debt and underage drinking after he ran away without paying for transportation from Waikiki to the Air Station. The MPs smelled alcohol on his breath.

Other incidents
 • A Marine was arrested for damaging government property after he knocked three holes in

the wall of his quarters with his head. No medical assistance was needed.

• Four civilians were arrested and booked by Honolulu Police for stealing government property. The arrest was the result of a joint investigation by the Naval Investigative Service, Criminal Investigative Detachment, Honolulu Police Department and Marine Corps Exchange security to uncover a major theft ring at the exchanges. Three of those arrested were MCX employees, and one was a former employee. The investigation continues.

• A sailor was identified for writing bad checks at the Manana 7-Day Store and Pearl Harbor Exchange. The dishonored check departments reported the sailor had negotiated 14 bad checks totalling \$2,600.

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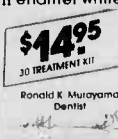
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Driver's License No.			State of License Issuance			
MILITARY EMPLOYMENT INFORMATION						
Branch Service		Base		Your Rank	Phone where you may be reached	
					Day ()	Evening ()
Estimated Length of Present Assignment			Date of First Enlistment		<input type="checkbox"/> Active <input type="checkbox"/> Retired	
If Transfer Pending, Give New Duty Assignment			Reporting Date			
FINANCIAL INFORMATION						
Monthly Gross Pay		Income from alimony, child support or separate maintenance payments need not be revealed if you do not choose to have it considered as a basis for repaying this obligation.			Other Monthly Income	
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Have you ever applied for credit (include credit cards, charge accounts, installment contracts, finance co., rent, mortgages, etc.)?			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		Do you currently have credit with any institution <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
<input type="checkbox"/> Checking	<input type="checkbox"/> Both Checking and Savings	Bank Name	City	State		
<input type="checkbox"/> Savings	<input type="checkbox"/> No Checking or Savings					
PERSONAL REFERENCES						
Relative Name		Address		Telephone No.		
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Family Services

The Family Service Center has the following free programs to help military people improve their lives. For more information, reservations, or to get on the FSC newsletter mailing list, call FSC at 257-3655.

Military Spouse Day Open House

In celebration of Military Spouse Day, FSC will have an open house today, from 10 a.m. to noon. The event will feature refreshments, balloons for kids and the opportunity to meet the FSC staff and learn about the services the center offers.

Ombudsman Training

Weekly courses for anyone interested in participating in the Ombudsman Program will begin May 8, and are offered both

Wednesdays and Friday mornings. Topics include: family violence, community resources, crisis intervention, drug and alcohol abuse in families and empathy for effective listening. All classes are open and may be taken individually or as a complete series. Call for reservations, dates and times.

Playmorning

A free mobile preschool for parents and children (infants to 5 year olds) will be in the following housing locations:

- Mondays 2454-2460 Cochran St.
- Tuesdays Elrod St. & Cochran St.
- Wednesdays Dodson St. & Cochran St.

Thursdays Daly Rd. & Bordelon Ln.

Come to any of these locations from 9-11 a.m. You don't have to live in housing to attend. On stormy days Playmorning meets at the Family Service Center Lanai. Babysitters are welcome.

Women's Support Group

A confidential program to help women who have been victimized in a destructive relationship will be held every Friday from 9-10:30 a.m. Learn about violent behavior and ways to increase protection skills for yourself and children, decrease fear and helplessness and how to cope with stress and anger. Call Owen for more information.

Employment Classes

A class on resume writing will take place the first Wednesday of each month, 9-10:30 a.m. How To Get Into Civil Service/ SF-171 Form Preparation will take place Monday, from 8:30-11:30 a.m.

Planning Your PCS Move

Learn the latest about disbursing, travel, housing and TMO entitlements in a workshop May 16, from 8-11:30 a.m. Stress and the effects of moving on families will also be covered. Call for reservations at 257-3655.

Financial Planning Seminar

Building financial security through investments for income, growth, insurance and savings will be discussed Tuesday, from 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Guest speakers from savings and loans and

banking institutions will also be available to answer questions. Call for reservation at 257-3655.

Enlisted Spouses' Center

Located in building 220, next to the Station Theater parking lot, it offers enlisted spouses a place to meet, visit, work on projects and make phone calls. Its new working hours are 9 a.m.-4 p.m. The center presently seeks new volunteers to help man it. For more information call 257-5214.

Playtime Program Temporarily Canceled, Volunteers Needed

Volunteers are needed to reestablish a free supervised playtime program, which was offered Mondays and Wednesdays, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. at the Enlisted Spouses' Center. For

more information, call 257-5213/5214.

New Arrivals Tour

An orientation to KMCAS and Hawaii, including a bus tour around the island, will be held tomorrow from 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Singles and families who have arrived within the last three months are invited to participate. Bring a brown-bag lunch and call for reservations. Seating is limited.

Weight Loss Support Group

FSC is offering another six-week weight loss support group Mondays from 11:30 a.m.-12:45 p.m. starting June 3. Learn how to control overeating through discussions on behavior modification, nutrition and menus, stress management, self esteem, motivation and commitment. Bring your lunch.

Armed Services YMCA

The Armed Services YMCA Outreach Office is located on the Air Station, down the sidewalk from the 7-Day Store. For more information and to make reservations, call 254-4719 or 254-4965.

Women's Awareness Program

Come participate in ongoing social, recreational and educational activities. Child care and transportation are available. Please make reservations.

Crafts for Kids - Mother's Day Surprise

Children will be making surprise Mother's Day gifts for their moms. The gifts will be wrapped in paper designed by the children. Fee is \$2.50. Call to sign-up.

Doll-making Class

"Map Dolls" sell in stores for \$30. You can learn to make your own with a unique hairstyle and body design in a class Wednesday, 9:30-11:30 a.m. All material will be provided. Fee

is \$12. Call to register. ASYMCA now has these dolls on display.

Chinatown Walking Excursion

Join us Tuesday, from 8 a.m.-2 p.m. for a tour of exotic, bustling old Honolulu. Shopping and lunch at a favorite Chinese restaurant will be included.

Dog Obedience

Dog obedience will be taught by Cpl. Siebold, a certified dog trainer in a six-week course beginning Sunday, 4-6 p.m. in the ASYMCA courtyard. Fee is \$15, and dogs must be at least 5 months old. Call for more information or to register.

Single Parents Support Group

Single parents are invited to get together with others who share the same problems and responsibilities in a supportive group which meets the fourth Tuesday of each month, 7-8:30 p.m. The group sponsors other activities include children. Call for more information.

Penny Lei

Learn to make a beautiful money lei as a unique gift for that special graduate in a class May 22. These gifts are made with ribbon, cellophane and coins. Everything will be provided except the coins. Sign-up soon.

Spring Ceramic Workshop

A ceramic workshop will be held May 29. Each ceramic piece will be priced per item. Paints will be provided. Bring your brushes. Call to sign-up soon.

Welcome Baby

Welcome Baby is a free service to pregnant women and mothers of newborn babies up to 3 months old. Welcome Baby Home visitors will come to the homes of military families living on and off base and bring information on pregnancy, child birth and infant care. Free gifts and formula will be given after the baby's birth.



Religious Services

- Kaneohe Bay 257-3552**
- Weekdays 11:45 a.m. - Catholic Mass
 - Saturday 6 p.m. - Catholic Mass
 - Sunday 7:30 a.m. - Catholic Mass
 - 8:30 a.m. - Protestant Communion
 - 9:30 a.m. - Catholic Mass
 - 11 a.m. - Protestant Worship
- Camp H.M. Smith 477-5098**
- Sunday 8 a.m. - Catholic Mass
 - 9:30 a.m. - Protestant Worship
 - 9:30 a.m. - Protestant Sunday School
 - 11:30 a.m. - Catholic Mass
- Aloha Jewish Chapel Pearl Harbor 471-3971**
- Friday 8 p.m. - Shabbat
 - Saturday 10 a.m. - Shabbat and Torah Study

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Legally Speaking

By Capt. B.T. Palmer
Legal Services, Southwest Asia

Lawyers of Arabia

It is a cold and overcast dawn Feb. 24. A light brown, camouflaged HMMWV is traversing the 1st Marine Division breach in the Iraqi minefields inside Kuwait.

Combat engineers are blowing lanes through the minefields with line charges that create earth-shattering explosions. The air is filled with the roar of outgoing Marine artillery shells.

Inside the HMMWV, a Marine Corps officer in a chemical protective suit is on a radio, relaying information to and from Marines in fighting holes, who are tasked with securing and controlling the routes through the Iraqi defenses.

What may be surprising about this true-life scenario is that the officer on the radio was not an infantry officer. He was a Marine Corps lawyer assigned with the Military Police Company, 1st Marine Division.

Although he assisted the MPs in their traffic control and security mission, his primary role was that of legal advisor to the 1st Marine Division Enemy Prisoner of War Collec-

tion Point. As legal advisor, he was responsible for providing advice to the EPW Collection Point commander to ensure that prisoners were searched, interrogated, provided medical treatment, processed, held and transported in accordance with the Geneva Convention.

He accomplished this mission by being on site at the collection point during the ground war and for five weeks before it. He conducted law of war classes, developed standard operating procedures for processing and transporting prisoners and monitored all stages of prisoner processing.

A legal advisor's presence, combined with outstanding performances by the 1st Marine Division MPs, resulted in a highly successful EPW operation. The high number of prisoners processed in the rear in such a short period of time has never before occurred in

Marine Corps history. Despite limited assets, poor weather, exhausted personnel and in some cases hostile enemy fire, all prisoners received the treatment required by the Geneva Convention.

A judge advocate was also assigned to the 2d Marine Division EPW Collection Point, and two more were assigned to the 1 Marine Expeditionary Force EPW Holding Facility in Saudi Arabia, where EPWs were brought in from the divisions' collection points. All these judge advocates - three captains and a major - came under the heading of operations law officers. Operations law officers all work out of legal services offices and are responsible for virtually all areas of law that fall outside the basic military justice, defense and legal assistance areas.

The operations law officers in Saudi Arabia provided expertise in all domestic and international

law issues created by the presence of I MEF in Southwest Asia. For the first five and a half months of Operation Desert Shield, the Legal Services Support Section had only one operations law officer. In addition to resolving the EPW issues, he researched and provided guidance on controlling black marketing, creating a detention facility, resolving immigration and naturalization questions and developing federal and state income tax programs.

He developed and gave instruction on the Code of Conduct, Law of War, targeting and Saudi customs and environmental concerns. Additionally, the operations law officer was assigned as the Marine Corps foreign claims commissioner. As the FCC, he passed judgement and paid thousands of dollars of pre-combat claims made against the United States by local Arabs in Saudi Arabia.

The presence of operations law officers had a direct and positive effect on the LSSS combat service support mission. Moreover, they were able to provide direct support to the 1st and 2d Marine Divisions during the ground offensive action that took place in the liberation of Kuwait.



Cpl. Reginald M. Cook

Safety champs

LtCol. Victor Simpson (right), commanding officer of Marine Fighter Attack Squadron-232, congratulates Capt. Craig Benson for flying the 40,000th Class "A" mishap free flight hour for the squadron. This safety milestone was completed Feb. 26 while the squadron was deployed to Southwest Asia. This record culminates more than 11 years and three months of safe flying for VMFA-232.

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• Honorary Chairperson: Dr. John Lewin, Director, State Dept. of Health

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WHAT: A 3.4 mile fun walk/run around Kapiolani Park (see map on back).
WHEN: SUNDAY, MAY 19, 1991
Warm-up at 7:15 am
Starting time at 7:30 am
DONATION: 12 years & under \$6.00
13 - 54 years \$13.00
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T-shirt & breakfast will be given to all participants. Additional \$5 for all entries postmarked after May 10, 1991. Late entries will be accepted day of race by 7:00 am with no guarantee of T-shirt or breakfast.

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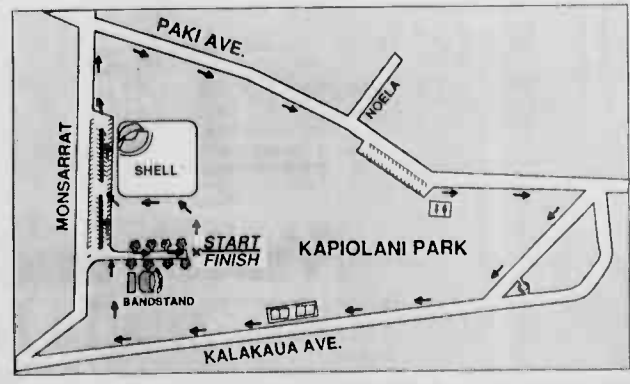
PACKET PICK-UP: SATURDAY, MAY 18, 1991
10:00 am to 1:00 pm
Waikiki School Cafeterium (corner of Leahi & Monsarrat)

SPECIAL FEATURES

- Compete for a prize—come dressed in a nutrition-oriented costume!
- Participate in the Nutrition & Health Carnival with height, weight & skinfold measurements, balloons & more.
- T-shirt & Healthy Breakfast for all entrants.

PRIZES/AWARDS

- Top Female Finisher
- Top Male Finisher
- Oldest Walker/Runner
- Youngest Walker/Runner
- Most Original Nutrition Oriented Costume
- Organization with the Most Participants
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START: 7:30 am. All participants should meet in the bandstand area at 7:15 am for the warm-up.
COURSE: Approximately 3.4 miles consisting of two clockwise loops around Kapiolani Park.
SEE MAP FOR DETAILS

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Sports Shorts

Tennis Championships

The Hawaii Marine Athletic Council Team Championships will be held May 20-25 at the K-Bay tennis courts. All active duty Marines stationed in Hawaii and all sailors stationed with Marines are eligible to participate. Register at the Athletic Office in the Air Station's main gym.

All-Marine Softball

Resources for All-Marine softball selection are available in the Athletic Office in the Air Station's main gym, and must be turned in to the athletic director by May 16.

Intramural Racquetball

The organizational meeting for the upcoming intramural racquetball season will be held May 30, 12:30 p.m., at the athletic office in the Air Station's main gym. All unit teams who would like to participate must have a representative present. Teams will consist of two singles players and two doubles teams from each unit.

Golf Championships

The Hawaii Marine Athletic Council Team Championships will be held June 13-16 at the Klipper Golf Course. All active duty Marines stationed in Hawaii and sailors stationed with Marine units are eligible. Other requirements to participate are: Open Division golfers must have a handicap of four or less and Senior Division (40 and over) must have a handicap of six or less. For more

information, call or stop in the Athletic Office in the Station gym.

Hawaii Marine Women's Varsity Softball

All active duty Marines stationed in Hawaii interested in participating in a Women's Varsity Softball Team should attend an organizational meeting Wednesday at 6 p.m. at the Air Station's Risley Field.

K-Bay Women's Softball

The K-Bay Women's Softball League will start soon. Active duty Marines and sailors, dependents and civilian employees are eligible to participate. Contact Miles at 254-2516 or George at 254-2851 for more information.

Co-ed Softball

Co-ed softball games will begin mid-May. All interested teams, couples or individuals, may contact George at 254-2851 for more information.

Gymnasium Hours

The main gym's hours of operation are 10 a.m. - 8 p.m., Monday - Friday; and 11 a.m. - 5 p.m., Saturday, Sunday and holidays. For more information, call 254-2658. The fitness

centers' hours of operation are 5 a.m. - 9 p.m., Monday - Friday; and 8 a.m. - 3 p.m., Saturday, Sunday and holidays. The Main Fitness Center's phone number is 254-2731 and the Satellite Fitness Center's phone number is 254-1861. Please bring a towel to the fitness centers to gain admittance.

Semper Fit Aerobics Offers New Saturday Class

A new high-low impact aerobic class will be held Saturday, 9 - 10:15 a.m. at the main gym. Other aerobic classes are offered at the Main Gym at the following times: High-low impact classes are Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 9 - 10:15 a.m.; Monday - Friday, 5 - 6:15 p.m.; high impact classes are Monday - Friday, 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.; and low impact classes are Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 6:45 - 8 p.m. The fees are \$16 per month or \$2 per class for dependents, and \$8 per month or \$50 per class for active duty military. Monthly passes allow attendance at an unlimited number of classes per month. For more information, call Dependent Recreation at 254-2963.

encompassed in the games. Also, volunteers are needed for various jobs during the games. This year, there will be a Commander's Cup Award, which will recognize participation by military and their family members. When signing up to participate in an event or to volunteer, indicate if you are a Marine or Marine dependent, as the Marine Corps will be credited with one point per participant. Entry form packets are available at the athletic offices at K-Bay, Camp Smith and Marine Barracks.

Tennis Clinic

A free tennis clinic will be held Saturday, 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. at the Air Station's upper tennis courts, near the Officers' Club. Tennis Pro Fred Thompson will conduct the clinic. Participants should be at least 10 years old. For more information, call Dependent Recreation at 254-2963.

Youth Fun and Fitness Day

In conjunction with National Fitness and Sports Month a Youth Fun and Fitness Day will be held May 19 1-4 p.m. at Pop Warner Field. Races for all ages, family relays, aerobics and Jazzercise demonstrations will be featured. A Youth Slam Dunk competition will also be featured. For more information, call Dependent Recreation at 254-2963.

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DEHYDRATION is a real threat, whether in the desert or in your office. Eight glasses of water is the recommended daily intake (not including other fluids like coffee, tea, diet drinks, fruit juice or milk) for better health. Pour yourself a cool cup now and try to find the six differences between these seemingly identical drawings.

1. Shading missing off center on the belt.
2. Image of nose missing on magnifying glass.
3. First drop of water missing from sloshed canteen.
4. Name plate altered to read "Mangler".
5. Lens missing off glasses.
6. Front foot missing on desk.

ANSWERS:

MWR Tickets

The MWR Ticket Office offers tickets and information on how to get them at special military rates. The office also takes reservations for events and attractions around the Island. Call the Entertainment Hotline at 254-3304 or come to building 219, the theater lobby, for information and reservations. Office hours are Saturdays, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. and Monday - Friday, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. (closed 1 - 2 p.m. for lunch).

Ice Capades' Golden Anniversary Edition will feature skating stars Richard Dwyer and Vicki Heasley plus "The Simpsons" and "Barbie" in a new show at the Blaisdell Center. Military personnel, their families and friends can save \$2.50 per ticket for shows on the following dates: May 11, 12, 16, 17, 18 and 19

with two performances on Saturdays and Sundays. Buy tickets early for best selection. Tickets are \$11.50 and \$9.50.

A Mother's Day Spectacular, sponsored by the Kaneohe Bay Merchants Assn., will be held Friday, 5-8 p.m. at the Kaneohe Bay Shopping Center, across from Windward Mall. The festivities will include entertainer Melveen Leed, prizes, and flowers for mothers. Tickets are \$3.50, and will include a spaghetti dinner buffet. Proceeds will benefit child abuse and Easter Seals projects.

Honolulu State Fair runs May 24 - June 1, and will feature Hypnotist Terry Stokes, UCW Wrestling, Escape Artist Dean Gunnarson, the Hanna Barbera Show and E.K. Fernandez Show

Rides. Tickets are \$5, and include admission and three rides.

Paradise Cove Luau will present a special evening in support of the armed forces May 17, 6-9 p.m. It will feature live Hawaiian music, a buffet dinner, a Polynesian show and more. Tickets are \$16 for adults, \$10 for children ages 6-12, and free for children ages 5 and under.

A Tribute to the Troops, presented by Naval Station Pearl Harbor, will take place May 19, from 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. at Richardson Field, across from Aloha Stadium. Events will include military displays, professional wrestling, food booths, a classic truck display, carnival games, a "Fun Land" for chil-

dren and live performances by the FMFPac and CINCPac Fleet Band. Tickets are \$3 for military, \$4 for civilians. Children ages 12 and under will be admitted free.

Honolulu Comedy Club will feature Craig Shoemaker through Sunday. He is collecting "Momiums" - wonderful, insightful, annoying and silly things mothers say - for an upcoming book. Chicago's Spike Maston will also perform. Tickets are \$10 and \$12 for weekend shows. Reservations through the ticket office ensure better seating.

Consolidated Theater tickets are \$4.25 and good through June 27.

MWR Movies

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254-2113
Various admission prices

Friday, Saturday
The Hard Way(R), an action/comedy starring Michael J. Fox and James Woods, is about a Hollywood movie star determined to change his screen image. He enlists the aid of a reluctant homicide detective consumed with nailing a serial killer.

Sunday, Monday
Class Action(R), a drama starring Gene Hackman, is about a father and daughter - the former an "old school" liberal lawyer and the latter a steely corporate lawyer. They square off in the courtroom when he brings a product libel suit against a huge automotive company.

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257-3651
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arra, 257-3267
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257-1130
1st Bn., 12th Mar: GySgt
Grisby, 257-2800

Headquarters, MAG-24: GySgt.
Henline, 257-1372
MALS-24: GySgt. Lyman, 257-
3696
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2995
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257-3963
HMM-165: Sgt. Hunter, 257-
9240
HMM-262: Sgt. Heredia, 257-
1372
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HMM-364: GSgt. Gonzalez,
257-1946
HMM-463: SSgt. Godin, 257-
3186

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257-9600
VMFA-232: SSgt. Furtado, 257-
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Lopez, 257-5507/5508
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6620



Bronze Star

Lt. Col. Mark E. Bennett is presented the Bronze Star Medal by 1st MEB Commanding General BGen. James E. Livingston April 24. Bennett, the Brigade assistant chief of staff, G-6, served as the G-6 plans officer for I MEF from Sept. 30 to March 7, while in Saudi Arabia. His citation read in part "... Bennett was instrumental in the planning and installation of the largest, most complex communications system ever installed by the Marine Corps... His unique combination of technical expertise and professional knowledge made him an invaluable asset... (and) his ability... helped ensure the successful ground campaign."

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At A Glance

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Hawai'i Maritime Center Honors Moms, Military

The Hawai'i Maritime Center will present a special Moms and Military Appreciation Day Sunday, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. The day will feature free public admission and live entertainment all day.

Desert Storm Photo and Art Contest

MWR is sponsoring a Desert Storm Photo and Art Contest. There are four photo categories: Military in Action; Humor in Uniform; Middle East Culture; and the Natural Environment. Entries must be black and white or color prints, no negatives. Art categories are: Abstract/Impressionism; and Classical/Realistic, in any medium. Entries will be displayed at the Kaneohe Bay Summer Festival August 2-4. Prizes will also be awarded at the festival. For more information, call MWR Marketing 254-2562.

Preteen Dance

A pre-teen dance for 5th-8th graders will be held Saturday, 6:30-9 p.m. IDs will be required. The dance is sponsored by Dependent Recreation.

Red Cross Needs Volunteers

The Red Cross needs volunteers to help alleviate a critical shortage. Applications are being accepted at Mokuapu School. No special skills are needed, and on-the-job training is provided. Volunteers decide when and how many hours they want to donate. Child care is available. For more information, call Bonnie Rosebrook at 257-3150 or 254-2515, for an appointment.

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Job Assistance Available

There are trained counselors at Employment Resource Centers located throughout Oahu that can help you find a job. They are knowledgeable in skill-building, referrals and workshops. Call 254-1541 for more information.

Kaneohe Square and Compass Club

The Kaneohe Square and Compass Club meets each Monday at 11:30 a.m. in the Rocker Room of the Staff NCO Club. It is open to anyone. For more information, call CWO Lyons at 257-5663/2067.

Second Marines Sought

The Second Marine Division Association is planning a reunion. Anyone who is in, has ever served with, or been attached to the Second Marine Division is encouraged to contact: Bill Smith, 21500 Lassen St., Chatsworth, CA 91311 or call (818) 341-0504.

Marine Corps Essay Contest

Cash prizes of \$1,000, \$750 and \$500 will be given by the U.S. Naval Institute to the authors of the three winning essays in its recently-announced Marine Corps Essay Contest. The contest was created to encourage discussion on current issues facing the Marine Corps. The Naval Institute Editorial Board will select the winning essays. Essays must be no longer than 3,000 words, and

received by the Naval Institute by June 1. The winning essays will be published in a 1992 issue of *Proceedings*, the institute's monthly magazine. For more information, write to the U.S. Naval Institute, Membership Department, Annapolis, MD 21402. Entries should be sent to the Editor-in-Chief, *Proceedings* at the same address.

Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society Offers Course

The Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society is offering a class for dependents at the Lockwood Hall Officer's Club at Pearl Harbor. The course will cover many of the "basics" of military life, including benefits, Leave and Earnings Statements and pay scales. The objectives and inner-workings of the NMCRS will also be discussed. While the course is geared towards those interested in becoming NMCRS volunteers, all Navy and Marine Corps dependents are invited. For more information, call 254-1327.

Ladies Bible Study
"Women of Joy" Bible Study will be held every other Friday, 9-11 a.m. at the Enlisted Spouses Center. Child care will be provided. For more information, call 235-7777.

High School Tutors Needed

Kalaheo High School is in need of two-three tutors per afternoon to help students with English, history, math and science in an after-school program. Tutoring hours are: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, 2:30 - 4 p.m.; and Wednesday, 2:15 - 3:30 p.m. For more information, call Mrs. Campbell at 254-3394.

Veterans' Health Survey

More than 35,000 surveys are being distributed to military veterans living in Hawaii to determine health status and health care needs. The survey is being conducted by the University of Hawaii at Manoa's School of Public Health. Veterans who have not received the questionnaire and wish to participate should call 956-7422.

Volunteers in Public Service

The Volunteers in Public Service to the Courts program offers opportunities for volunteers to fill important roles within Hawaii's judicial system. Positions include companions, tutors and case aids for teenagers and adults under the

court's supervision, clerical aides, Judicial History center aides, newsletter staff and court orientation guides. VIPs are reimbursed for transportation costs, and parking is provided. A basic orientation program will take place Saturday, 9 - 11:30 a.m. For more information, call 548-2010.

Salvation Army Offers Free Child Care

Free child care is available to the spouses of deployed military Saturday, 10:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. at the Salvation Army, 45-175 Waikalua Road, Kaneohe. Children must be at least 1 year old. For more information, call 235-1408.

New Hours For MWR Facilities

The new hours at the Marine Corps Exchange Main Store are Monday-Saturday, 9 a.m.-9 p.m. and Sunday, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. The 7 Day Store is now open 6 a.m.-9 p.m., everyday. The Package Store is open 9 a.m.-9 p.m., everyday.

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After the Storm

Marines, spouses express feelings about war
— Page B-3

Support network helped Station ride-out the Storm
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The Persian Gulf war was fought on many fronts. In the sands of the Middle East, Hawaii Marines and sailors joined a massive U.S. and coalition force to defeat the armies of Saddam Hussein. Here at home, the friends and loved ones of those deployed troops closed ranks to defeat the fear and hardship created by the deployment. And outside the gates, the people of Hawaii tightened their belts in preparation for war and stood strong in their support of both the warriors and their families. It was a concentrated effort that led to quick and decisive victory for the military and the nation alike. And even as the troops come home to heroes welcomes and families are reunited, this community faces challenges on a new front — to regroup and plot a course for the future.

Tales from the Stormfront
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Words worth remembering
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Desert Storm

Tribute to warriors on all fronts

Commentary by Sgt. Brad Mitzeloff
Hawaii Marine Staff Writer

This special edition of the *Hawaii Marine* is dedicated to our fallen comrades, as well as our returning Desert Storm Marines and sailors, their families, friends and fellow service members.

It's a tribute to a young generation of Americans, both those who fought on the war front and those who fought on the home front, who will never have to ask themselves if they have done their part.

It's also a salute to those more versed in the disastrous potential of war who stuck it out in the Marine Corps all these years so they could prevent the worst from happening.

Those of us who had the privilege of serving in the Gulf are the luckiest people alive today, next to the freed Kuwaitis who were hugging and kissing us less than two months ago. We had the tools and the talent, and were given every opportunity to use them.

The five-month defensive mission we had before the war turned out to give us plenty of time for a nice tune-up. It was the high gloss finish on 10 years of defense buildup designed to give our small forces the ability to defeat one of the world's largest military powers while remaining

flexible enough not to be out-foxed by smaller, less sophisticated, guerilla-type enemies.

To have served in the Gulf was to have lived in the face of death in the most desolate climate and hostile region in the world. It was a time when home, family and friends were little more than abstraction and going home was just a dream.

About one and a half percent of America's desert fighters came from here at Kaneohe Bay - and were key elements of the 1st Marine Expeditionary Force during the contingency. For five months we scrimmaged and jostled for position, and for 40 days we were the enemy's worst nightmare: an invisible, irresistible force dislodging previously unmovable objects.

The consolidation and composing of the 1st Marine Expeditionary Brigade's assets throughout the I MEF didn't cause most of the expected problems. Our helicopters belonged to Marine Aircraft Group-16, the jets to MAG-11, Brigade Service Support Group-1 to 1st Force Service Support Group and 3d Marines (REIN) to the 1st Marine Division. And it was no big deal; it just worked. It had to.

Whether you were with Task Force Taro, Ripper, Grizzly, Papa Bear, Shepherd or X-Ray, you were on the same big team for those seven months, regardless of whether you were from California, Okinawa or Hawaii. It was some of the most realistic training ever pulled off under some of the

toughest conditions ever encountered that made it all possible.

While the desert fighters who accomplished this mission get most of the glory, some of it should go to those who took the second front. They did more than any of us thought possible in the way of support with their tireless efforts and selflessness in the face of uncertainty.

The war on both fronts was won the hard and right way - through strong leadership. Strong leadership has a way of quieting dissent. The result has been a very pleasant break. So let's change the subject.

But first, go ahead and take another look back and then get back to work, or surf surfing or something. You earned it.

In remembrance . . .

Though the numbers of casualties suffered by Marines from the 1st MEB were miraculously low, five of its warriors died in the service of their country. Their loss is felt by many and they are remembered . . .

- 1st Lt. M.N. Monroe, HQSVCo., 3d Marines
- Cpl. J.H. Silvia Jr., 1st Bn., 3d Marines
- PFC A.T. Hoage, 2d Bn., 3d Marines
- LCpl. A.D. Stewart, 3d Bn., 3d Marines
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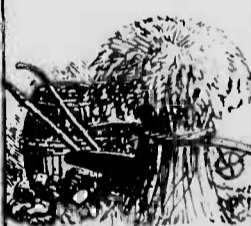
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Expressions

Marines, spouses describe feelings on war through poetry

From the White Knights

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 We told you to be strong, our love would last
 Our lives found fear and pain
 We told not to worry, we have much to gain
 We left with your hearts heavy in our mind
 We said don't cry, we'll be back in short time
 Now we're here, the days and nights pass
 Our wives, our children, may our love always last
 The days are hot, the nights are cool
 And every minute that goes by, we think of you
 We have a mission here, you do understand
 We love you, we miss you, no matter where, no matter no
 land
 We count the hours, as they pass within each day
 We work, and we work, to make time fly away
 We know why we're here, our job is plainly clear
 We ask that you think of us, but don't shed a single tear
 To my wife one quick note
 You're confused, and you're scared is what you wrote
 Your letters are scarce, and so few
 But I love you, I miss you, no matter what you do.
 To all the loved ones of 165
 We'll be home soon to resume our family lives
 Take care and don't you fret
 To us the White Nights, this is just one more debt.
 To the children all I can say
 Listen to what you're told and just obey
 Remember Daddy loves you, and will be home soon.
 Then we can sit and talk, by the glow of the moon
 To all of you, keep those letters coming we'll do the same
 You are the wives, white knights just the same
 We'll be home soon and soon it will be,
 We're the fighting white knights so say we
 - Sgt. Michael A. Sanchez

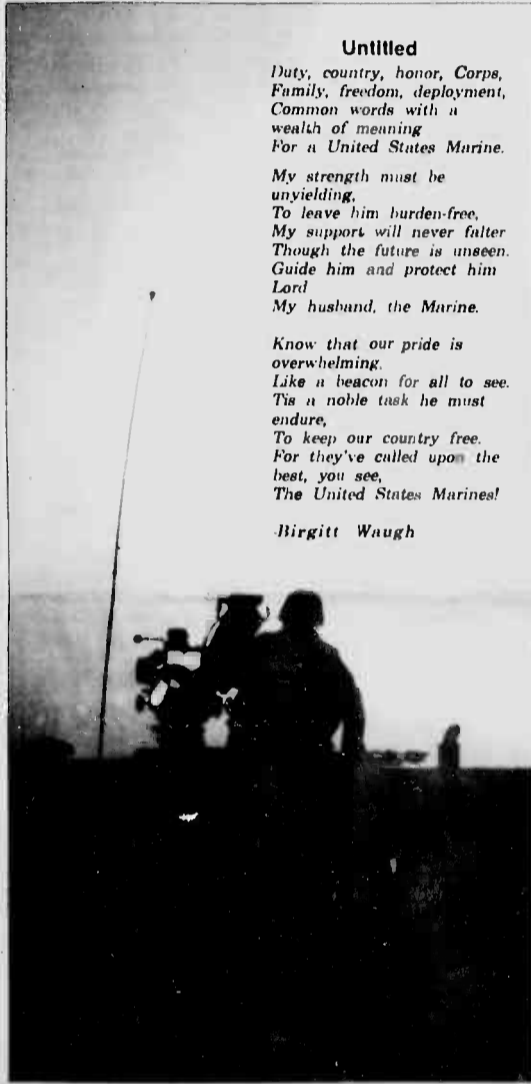


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To our servicemen and women - our prayers go out to you.
 We only can imagine the things you are going through.
 We appreciate your dedication while you are out there in the
 sand.
 Soon your tour will be over - no more living in the barren
 land.
 I think I speak for the majority when I say we miss you
 and we care.
 You are not forgotten soldiers, we still remember you are there.
 Just a few words of encouragement to the troops working and
 sweating in the sand.
 We haven't forgot about you while you're living in the barren
 land.
 -1.Cpl. Angelo Musicaro

Untitled

Duty, country, honor, Corps,
 Family, freedom, deployment,
 Common words with a
 wealth of meaning
 For a United States Marine.
 My strength must be
 unyielding,
 To leave him burden-free,
 My support will never falter
 Though the future is unseen.
 Guide him and protect him
 Lord
 My husband, the Marine.
 Know that our pride is
 overwhelming.
 Like a beacon for all to see.
 'Tis a noble task he must
 endure,
 To keep our country free.
 For they've called upon the
 best, you see,
 The United States Marines!
 -Birgitt Waugh

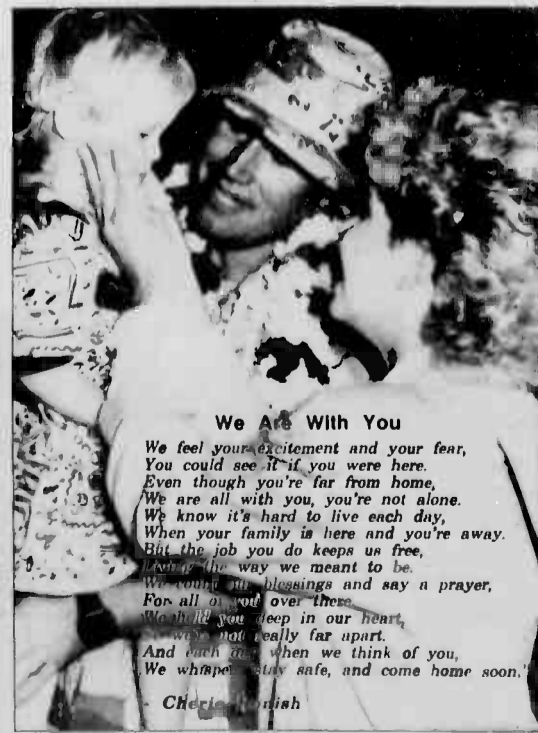


Portrait of a Marine

When there's a war, he's the first to fight.
 He's always ready, whether day or night.
 And when this man comes upon the scene,
 Others take note, for he's a Marine.
 "From the hells of Montezuma,"
 To a training base in Yuma.
 He answers his country's call,
 Doing his best and giving his all.
 He has a tradition which he's bound to uphold,
 Following the steps of leathernecks of old.
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 He's ready for battle stands this man of the Corps,
 Once again ready for the conflict of war.
 But now this Marine is taking his stand
 In Saudi Arabia with its hot desert sand.
 And as this Marine is deployed in the field,
 Playing a part in Operation Desert Shield,
 His flag flies high, the scarlet and gold,
 He's serving his country - a Marine brave and hold.
 - Author Unknown

Mission

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 He leads his men to victory overcoming bitter strife
 Pledging loyalty to the President, he serves with zeal and pride
 And puts his best foot forward accepting duty on his stride
 As I watch him go aboard the plane the night that I
 beckoned
 I prayed to God for peace of mind and to protect him every
 second
 The mission he is serving and his duty marked by time
 Is amended by sweet memories locked securely in my mind
 The pain of separation, living thousands of miles apart
 Has been put to the trial of courage in both our steadfast hearts
 What lies ahead in future days - yet I do not know
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 And each day when we think of you,
 We whisper, stay safe, and come home soon.
 - Cherie Housh

Air Station rides-out the Storm

Story and photos
by Cpl. Jason Erickson
Hawaii Marine staff writer

Long before Saddam Hussein belied up to the Kuwaiti border, the U.S. military had woven itself a thick blanket of family support. And when the effects of Hussein's plunge into Kuwait ripped thousands of Kaneohe-based Marines and sailors from their families, the Air Station had only to pull the blanket out of storage and cast it over the community.

With the largest military family in American history, that blanket had to be made of a strong fabric - one detailed in its resources and durable under pressure.

Before the Persian Gulf crisis, many of its elements had never been put to the test of war. Now they have.

The network of support was forged as a result of lessons learned during Vietnam. Station Commander Col. R.R. Critzer is one of many military leaders today who remembers different times as a young Marine during that era.

"Families were told to move out of government quarters when their husbands deployed for Vietnam," Critzer explained. "Obviously that isn't the way to do business."

Col. Tim Roberts, acting 1st Marine Expeditionary Brigade chief of staff during the war, added to this, "We need to take care of our families so the Marines in the field have one less thing to worry about."

Even before troops deployed, the Family Services Center had kicked into high gear to provide units and their families with separation briefs to prepare them as best they could for what ever lay ahead. The Legal Services Center also became involved with this preparation process, encouraging Marines and sailors to update wills and create powers of attorney.

The American Red Cross and Navy/Marine Corps Relief Society came into play after the troops had left. These were age-old organizations seasoned by previous wars. One linked family with service member during tough situations, while the other provided financial aid in times of need.

Although the network worked well, explained Critzer, "you never really quite understand all the requirements" for supporting families in a major deployment "until people have in fact left." He added, "but I think we were pretty well prepared for it and only needed to fine tune our efforts in a few areas."

One of those areas was with the newly established Ombudsman program. Although it had been employed for quite a while by some units here, it was not until Desert Shield that it became a Brigade-wide operation and took on



An Aloha Temple Shriner hands out balloons at the last of several Community Days that helped link the families here during the deployment.

an important family support role as the crisis developed. Roberts called it crucial, because it created an organized assistance network for spouses to turn to in case of problems or to get information.

Other activities were established as the need arose. Brigade Personnel became the center for all administrative concerns for the families. Everything from pay problems to requests for military housing were handled by the staff there.

The Enlisted Spouses' Center was also a product of the war. This was created in early September to give enlisted spouses a "home away from home," as Critzer called it during its opening ceremony at one of several Community Days.

The center quickly became more than just a place to go. It was a meeting center, where families could interact with others going through the same difficult times. It also helped ease the problem of child care that surfaced during the operations, explained Judy Conlen, co-president with Judy Gutierrez of the center. Additionally, it became the contact-point for information about activities and the war.

The Station also established quarterly and monthly community days as a means for entertaining families and passing information.

All of these efforts were combined and did their best to ease the tensions of a very tough period.

For Tara Rodriguez, the emotions of the deployment came in stages. She didn't believe it was true when her husband, Sgt. William Rodriguez of 1st Radio Battalion, first told her he was going. She cried when the reality sunk in. Next came the anger.

"I'm not sure why I was angry at him, I guess I felt like he could have done something to stay back," she explained. "I wasn't really thinking rationally, I guess."

But once he'd left for Southwest Asia, she said fear of the unknown was most prevalent in her mind.

Thousands of spouses here experienced similar emotional rollercoaster-rides as their service man or woman was called to desert duty. Like the rest of the country, and much of the world, they switched on their 24-hour televised lifeline to the crisis and prayed for an early end. But for them, it wasn't just nations on the brink of war they were watching, it was loved ones.

By mid-January, it was no longer the possibility of war that loomed, it was the question of when and how the war would end.

As individual families rolled with the punches of war, the Station also found itself against the ropes with large personnel cuts, but the same if not more responsibilities.

Critzer said in January that "our requirements to maintain the Station haven't changed, but our resources to accomplish them have - we're lacking in manpower." Few sections were left unscathed, and long hours became commonplace for Station service members.

Morale Welfare and Recreation, employing nearly 900 civilians, experienced an opposite dilemma. A large percentage of their business packed up and shipped out for the Middle East. Equally, the spending habits of their remaining patrons reflected the recession shopping slump that was threatening the whole nation's economy.

This caused closures and close calls for MWR, which relies on profitable activities, such as the Main Exchange, to support its non-money-makers like athletics. MWR Director Walt Skierkowski said in late December that it would take tightening up the purse strings to make it through the crisis.

But the financial difficulties didn't stop MWR from sponsoring several Community Days, and the annual Santas Village, as well as several small-scale events.

The last of those Community Days corresponded, by coincidence, with the start of the ground war. That same weekend, Hawaii-Marines of Task Force Taro spearheaded the 1st Marine Division's drive into southern Kuwait, as their families gathered beneath storm clouds for the Community Day here.

But the news of victory came rolling through cable lines and into Station residences only 100 hours after the ground war had begun. President Bush announced the historic news to the world from the Oval Office, and tears rolled down Opal King's face. Her husband, GySgt. James King of Marine Fighter Attack Squadron-212, would soon be home.

"It was a tremendous feeling of relief," she said soon after the cease fire. "But I won't be satisfied that it's over until he's actually home."

The returns were staggered, but by the end of April nearly all Marines and sailors were home, with only 325 estimated still deployed. For most families here, the long tough battle on the homefront has come to a close.



Families, friends and supporters go wild as the first load of Kaneohe Marines and sailors arrive home.



One of numerous families who found solace in the Spouses Center enters the building during the deployment.

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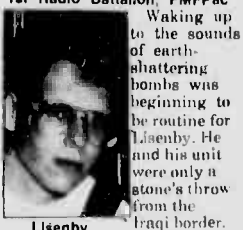
Looking back

Tales from the Stormfront

By Cpl. Reginald M. Cole
Hawaii Marine Staff Writer

Editor's note: From the onset of the U.S.-led coalition intervention in the Persian Gulf Crisis, to the relentless air bombardment of Iraq, and through to the liberation blitzkrieg into Kuwait City, a salvo of journalists, television crews and military analysts interpreted the war. The views in this article are from a different perspective — Kaneohe Marines and sailors.

LCpl. Christopher Lisenby
1st Radio Battalion, FMFPac



Lisenby

Lisenby was assigned to the 1st Marine Division's Task Force Ripper as a manual Morse interpreter (who specialized in intercepting enemy messages). But the morning of Feb. 24 would be far from routine.

He awoke to a cold, dark, rainy morning. The thick

smoke from the blazing Kuwaiti oil wells, mixed with the rain, coated everyone and everything in black sludge. That was the least of his worries.

Pinned down by an Iraqi artillery bombardment, Lisenby vividly recalls his personal "hell."

"We were caught between two mine fields, which hadn't been cleared by our engineers yet, and rounds were falling around us," said Lisenby. "Although we were getting shelled pretty bad, no one took a direct hit. But just having to sit there and hope the Iraqis wouldn't get a direct pinpoint on us was enough to really get my attention."

Lisenby and the rest of Ripper made it through those fearful hours of bombardment, and two days later, reached Kuwait City. It was the morning of Feb. 26. All around lay twisted and scorched Iraqi tanks and vehicles, lining the streets in grim defeat.

"When we rolled into Kuwait City, it looked as though it was devastated," he said. "But the Kuwaiti people were so glad to see us, they came up to us and tried to give us food and

water — they didn't even have enough for themselves. From the looks on their faces, I knew our country had done the right thing. I'll never forget that."

Capt. Scott Banks
Marine Fighter Attack Squadron-232

During the first 10 days of the war, large numbers of air strikes were flown deep into Kuwait, according to Banks. And with the help of EA-6Bs radar-jamming aircraft, literally thousands of pounds of ordnance were dropped on Iraqi targets.

"I would rate our success of those missions as excellent," said Banks. "The bombing accuracy of the F/A-18, even at the high altitudes we were at, was really good." But all the while he and fellow pilots were flying, the thought of air-to-air confrontation weighed heavy on their minds. He was prepared to face them head to head...but they never showed up.

"We never once saw a bad guy in the sky," said Banks. "If they did get airborne, it was to make a dash for Iran, not to engage us." Banks figured they were holding back until the ground war. But as the days passed, the threat of enemy aircraft gave way to the massive display of enemy anti-aircraft warfare.

"I would have to say that every one of our 16 pilots were engaged by Surface-to-Air Missiles or Triple Anti-aircraft Artillery," said Banks. "But due to knowledge of the terrain and being alert, not one of our pilots lost a jet." With supremacy in the air, Banks and other pilots were now able to concentrate on the Iraqi ground assets.

"If they popped their heads up, moved a piece of machinery or left a piece uncovered, we'd come in and pound the hell out of 'em," said Banks. "And if they had stuck their nose in the air anywhere in Kuwait, they would have been blasted out of the sky from four different directions."

"At the end of the war, we had the chance to fly over Kuwait real slow and low, to see the damage," said Banks. "And it was obvious that we had confined our bombing to military targets."

Banks noticed unscathed



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Lathernecks make the best of Marine Corps equipment to make portable showers.



Photo courtesy of Cpl. Matt Chalkbush

Marines from Battery B, enjoy a little free time while positioned at Camp 15 in Saudi Arabia in early January.



Photo courtesy of Cpl. Steven Jones

Hiding from the hot Saudi sun and desert flies became routine

apartment complexes right next to destroyed ammunition bunkers.

"All the missions I flew were exciting," said Banks. "It wasn't to the point to where I couldn't think because I was scared. I was definitely on edge, though."

Cpl. David Moore
Guns Platoon, Battery B, 1st Bn. 12th Marines

Moore said Saudi Arabia was nothing like he expected.

"When we stepped off the plane, it was dark, cold and deathly quiet," said Moore. "I guess I was expecting to be hit in the face with a heat wave. It was an eerie feeling."

Moore, an artilleryman for more than seven years, spent most of his Marine Corps career training for war. He sometimes wondered if it was worth the time and effort.

"Before coming to Saudi, firing our guns was nothing really big, it was just training," said Moore. But when the war began and we started pumping out rounds at the enemy, we all knew it was the real thing. I guess I felt it was better than this one."

"I've never been to war before," said Moore. "But as far as what I know about war, it was a good one — quick and fast."

Cpl. Jeffrey Brown
Company A, 3d Reconnaissance Bn., 1st MEB

Near the Iraqi border, a six-man Marine reconnaissance team was on a rooftop. It was Jan. 28, two weeks into the massive allied forces air campaign and the third and final day for this recon team in Khafji. They were alone except for some Iraqis.

The night began with the end of the murky daylight. Iraqi ground forces were quiet for the first time in 24 hours. Brown figured allied aircraft had "hooked up" the Iraqis. Suddenly, a loud whine was heard. It got louder and closer. Brown thought it could be a Harrier jet.

"That's when I saw them — A battalion or more of Iraqi Armored Personnel Carriers," he said. "Those dudes were all dressed in black, walking through the smoke — they all looked like 'Darth Vader' with weapons."

Brown's team leader called in a fall recon report, and were told they couldn't get an extract. The team decided they had to move. Some of the Iraqi APCs were 40 yards away. The team found a better position a couple of blocks down the street, and made it to the building's roof. Brown

remembers poking his head up for a look just in time to see a Cobra helicopter take out two Iraqi APCs.

"It boosted my morale so much to see our guys get some," said Brown. "But for us, it was like being on an island surrounded by sharks."

The recon team was about 100 meters from the Iraqi armored battalion. They started calling air and artillery strikes on the Iraqis. The rounds were destroying Iraqi armor left and right. "The last artillery barrage — a cluster bomb, was short, and exploded directly over the recon team's position. The team broke for cover.

"I felt like someone hit me with a bat," said Brown. "All I felt was a slight sting in my leg." Brown was hit in the inner left thigh by a piece of shrapnel that remains in his leg. "If it ever starts to bother me, I'll get it taken out," he said.

An artillery battery called for a bomb-damage assessment report. Brown peeped out to where the Iraqi battalion had been, and saw only dust and broken metal. "Arty just totally waxed 'em," Brown said with a smile.

Saudi and Qatari forces began moving into Khafji on the other side of the city. The recon team started hearing small-arms fire moving closer. "My team leader said it's time to get out of Dodge," said Brown. "At that point, we realized we weren't going to get an extract, and we'd have to fight our way out."

The order was given to "dump everything not mission essential," said Brown, "but we made sure we took our LAWs (light anti-tank weapon)."

A thick cloud of smoke provided cover for the recon team. They moved into the street and headed out. An Iraqi opened-up on the team with an AK-47, but the team never stopped. "We never even considered fighting him," Brown added.

The recon team was literally running for their lives. They knew "friendlies" were close, it was just a matter of finding them. Brown saw what he recognized as some Qatari troops at the end of a street. The team started sprinting for safety.

"I really didn't think I could make it," Brown said matter of factly. "A couple of our guys were yelling 'Americans, Americans' to the Qataris. We held up a big

orange flag (an allied signal) and the Qataris were screaming for us to hurry up...it was the longest 300 yards of my life."

Cpl. Kimberly Gentry
Brigade Service Support Group-1, 1st MEB

It was 3 a.m., and Gentry had been asleep for maybe two hours. Suddenly, she was awakened by a Marine telling her to pack her gear because she and the other Marines were moving out. "The ground war has begun," barked the voice.

"At that very moment, my heart

dropped," she said. "It was a strange feeling. I was scared speechless, but at the same time, I felt as though the great burden of anticipation was lifted. Something was definitely going to happen."



Gentry

Gentry, a computer programmer, arrived in Saudi Arabia amid a hot, face pelting sand storm last August. Although positioned in Al Jubail, more than a hundred miles away from the Saudi-Iraqi border, she was still within arms reach of Saddam's "terrorist weapons" — Scud Missiles.

"There were a lot of Scud Missile warnings," Gentry said. "But the scariest thing was not knowing if it was the real thing, or just another warning. We were fortunate enough not to get hit, but we did get our share of scares," she confessed.

Her concerns continued as Baghdad radio reported Saddam Hussein had ordered his troops to withdraw from Kuwait.

"I didn't trust him (Saddam), because it wouldn't have been the first time he'd lied," she stressed. "I figured it was just another ploy for us to stop bombing so he could regroup."

Wednesday, Feb. 27, Gentry heard that Saddam Hussein and his forces were pulling out of Kuwait.

"When I heard our President announce that there was a cease fire and that Kuwait City had been liberated, I knew — I was coming home, she said."



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Marines of Battery B, 1st Bn., 12th Mar.

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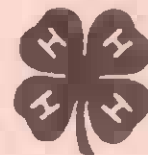


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Brigade Marines ship out

By Capt Jason Erickson

The Air Station buzzed with activity last week as selected units from the 1st MEB prepared to deploy as part of Operation Desert Shield, which is already the largest U.S. deployment of troops since Vietnam.

Using precious extra time before they were shipped out, various units kicked into high gear to make sure their Marines were ready for the mission to come.

Much of the effort was intended to enhance desert fighting skills and issue special gear for the climate, but that was not all.

LCpl. Don L. Davis, 1st MEB staff judge advocate, pointed out that being combat-ready includes more than training and having the essential gear. As he explained, knowing one's personal affairs and family members are taken care of also plays a crucial role.

At the Legal Services Center, lines quickly formed as Marines associated with end powers of attorney and powers of appointment that in a 10-day period, his people helped more than 5,000 Marines and sailors with them.

He explained that the number is not an accurate indication of how many Marines from Hawaii are being deployed, however, because when news of the growing conflict reached the islands, people began taking care of these matters on their own initiative.

The Traffic Management Office was also the center of much activity as Marines and their families shipped excess gear. Some Marines also to deploy have already taken steps to move their families home if they are deployed, while others plan to wait it out here in Hawaii. Those planning to leave must be approved to ship their household goods, and are being warned that the government will not pay to bring them back.

Dear Lord, walk with this Marine of mine Each and every day. Never let him lose his faith Or yearn to go astray. Keep him, Lord, and give him strength Whenever the need may be. For it's quite a task these men have To keep our country free. Grant them, Lord, the best in life. Keep them always fair. 'Tis the best of them that they will give On land, on sea and air. And so, dear Lord, when duty calls, And the future can't be seen, Walk with and protect him, Lord. My husband the Marine.

Anonymous wife, April 1985, after 1st Marine Brigade's deployment to Vietnam



Hussein ups the ante

By Capt Jason Erickson

As Marines and sailors within the 1st MEB are directed to deploy as part of Operation Desert Shield, the Gulf region with Saddam Hussein threatening to use westerners as shields against aggression in his country.

According to various news services, Hussein's government announced Monday that it was going to carry out plans to move U.S. and other western citizens to industrial and military sites around the country.

In a statement read over Iraqi television, a government spokesman said this was not an act of vengeance, but rather was being done to protect against American aggression. President Bush publicly referred to westerners held in Iraq and Kuwait as "hostages" Monday during a speech given to the Veterans of Foreign Wars annual conference in Baltimore.

Meanwhile the President signed a proclamation Tuesday giving the DoD the authority to activate as many as 200,000 reservists. In a speech from the Pentagon Aug. 16, President Bush described the U.S. commitment to the East as the "key not just to the functioning of this country, but to the entire world."

President Bush also said U.S. troops equivalent to the size of a medium city, are in Saudi Arabia already. U.S. Naval presence in the Gulf has risen to nearly 45 ships.

of deployment preparations. Over the past weeks, it was a common sight to see formations of Marines three days full chemical protective gear.

Along with fixing up all their personal affairs, Marines here have also been spouses for as long as Operation Desert Shield continues.

MSgt. Ray Heberling, non-commissioned officer in charge of the center, said phones have been "ringing off the hook" and his usual pre-deployment brief has been in high demand.

"The Mother of All Battles has begun. Victory is near."

- Saddam Hussein, during radio address to the Iraqi people on first day of Operation Desert Storm

"We could get to Kuwait City in one day, maybe two. I know how the Iraqis fight; when the battle's going their way they'll fight hard, but when they're losing they give up. Now they've seen what the Saudis and Qataris can do, and they don't want any part of two Marine divisions."

- LCpl. Arthur Blair, 1st Marine Division, who fought alongside Saudi national guardsmen during the Iraqi incursions into Saudi Arabia, predicting the outcome of the ground war to liberate Kuwait

"It's almost like you flipped on the light in the kitchen late at night and the cockroaches start scurrying."

- Harrier pilot LtCol. Dick White, describing what it's like to attack a large column of enemy tanks

"I'm glad I'm with you guys. Ever since I was with the Marines in Beirut I've been waiting to see them unleashed."

- NBC News correspondent Mike Boetcher, who accompanied 3d Marines during the assault into Kuwait

"They have engaged the Saudis in combat, and we're going to kill them."

- Maj. Craig Huddleston, Executive Officer, 3d Battalion, 3d Marines, after receiving a radio report that a column of enemy tanks was attacking after faking a surrender

"That's beautiful! Give me another one of those!"

- Marine forward observer, adjusting fire on enemy armored vehicles for Hawaii artillerymen from 1st Battalion, 12th Marines

"I hate it when they don't shoot back."

- Marine Sgt. Randy Hale, of the 1st Air Naval Gunfire Liaison Company, after calling in a successful fire mission on an Iraqi position

"I'll do it again if it has to be done. I want to see Iraq crushed, and I'll stay as long as that takes."

- Hawaii Marine Cpl. Jeff Brown, Company A, 3d Reconnaissance Battalion, who was injured by artillery fire he and his team called in on Iraqis near his own position

Words of war

"First we're going to cut it off and then we're going to kill it."

- Gen. Colin Powell, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, on the Iraqi army

"Everywhere I go people are thinking. We're thinking warriors. That's what makes the difference in combat or anything else."

- Gen. A.M. Gray, Commandant of the Marine Corps, talking to Marines in Saudi Arabia

"An episode like this brings people back to basic values and the superficiality of life fades away."

- Chaplain Kenneth Kieffer, Brigade Chaplain, 1st Marine Expeditionary Brigade

"Little does he realize it's his last day on the face of the earth."

- "Calvin," from the comic strip "Calvin and Hobbes," drawn on the side of a 3d Battalion, 3d Marines vehicle moving in a convoy to attack-positions on the Kuwaiti border

"It's too late. The toilet's already been flushed."

- Col. Carl Fulford, commander of Task Force Ripper, the 1st Marine Division's main assault force, responding to the question whether last-minute Soviet peace proposals might stop the ground war. Task Force Grizzly and Hawaii's Task Force Taro had already infiltrated into Kuwait.

"What took you so long?" Iraqi prisoner after surrendering to the Hawaii Marines of Task Force Taro in Kuwait

First returning warriors get heroes welcome Pages A-2 & B-1

"For seven months I have waited for this day. Now I can speak and now you can see with your own eyes what they have done. God bless America and George Bush. Thank you."

- Kuwaiti man talking to Marines from 3d Marines upon their arrival in Kuwait City

Hawaii Marine Homecoming: Separation is finally over for many Marines, families



back and forth, and no one was sure which would come in first. When the second flight came in at noon, this time carrying 120 Marines and sailors, Mickie was sure he'd be there, but he didn't really know it until plane. "I started to cry as soon as I saw him. It was then that I realized the waiting was finally over," How said. These two flights brought the sailors home from the war, but it is only the beginning of the 1st Marine Expeditionary Force's redeployment from Operation Desert Storm. Additional flights touched down later in the week and will continue during coming weeks. The 1st Marine Expeditionary Force, which was deployed to Saudi Arabia in August 1990, is expected to be home by late May.

crowd waiting to welcome home its warriors and Michele Howe's heart began to pound. Her emotions ran wild. "Seeing the flag waving like that above the plane really made me feel proud," said the wife of 1stLt David Howe from the 2d Battalion, 3d Marine Regiment. "I was proud to be a Marine's

When asked what plans they have now that their husbands and husbands' wives were home, some husbands were more than ready to get back to work. "Our husbands have been gone 12 months, what do you think we're gonna do?" said Terry Jimenez whose husband was in the 2nd Battalion, 3d Marine Regiment. "I'm gonna go to work."

Meanwhile, the single Marines had leave and trips home to the family on their minds. But it'll be a few days or even weeks before they can do that and most will like "take a shower and then hit the gym," said 1stLt Thomas Knight of "Kin" A-3 put it.

Hawaii opens arms to troops, families

By Cpl. Jason Erickson
Hawaii Marine Staff Writer

It will be a day long remembered by the first Marines and sailors home from the war. Most of those 650 Kaneohe-based troops said they had no idea what Hawaii had in store for them when they landed March 9.

Waving flags and banners and cheering loudly, thousands of people lined the streets to welcome home their Persian Gulf heroes. It was a sight not seen by the military since World War II.

Cpl. Mark Miller said it was "amazing." He also used adjectives like awesome and unbelievable to describe the day. "I'll never forget it as long as I live."

But the spirit of pride and gratitude lining the streets that day had begun several months before, and continues still.

The patriotism and good deeds that followed have been growing ever since. Marines and other military servicemen and women began deploying for the Middle East last August.

It was apparent as early as mid-September, when Hawaiian Cruises contacted the Hawaii USO and offered a free cruise for Kaneohe families separated by the deployment from their Marines or sailors. And even before this, individuals and other organizations were calling bases and stations across the island, asking what they could do to help.

A large chunk of the support came from schools all across the Hawaiian Islands, whose students wrote thousands of letters to deployed troops.

"The kids were very in tune with what was going on, and wanted very much to help out," said Jolene Chang, a parent facilitator at Keolu Elementary School in Kailua. Chang was one of several employees there that helped organize special events to support the troops.

Keolu, which according to Chang only had four students with a deployed parent, demonstrates the fact that people may not have known any deployed troops, but still

felt a bond. Perhaps because the military was doing the "hard work of freedom," as President George Bush put it, "for the benefit of everyone."

At elementary schools like Mokapu aboard the Kaneohe Marine Corps Air Station; Aikahi, just off the Station; and Kailua, only miles away, the need to support hit home. All of Mokapu's students have military ties, and Aikahi and Kailua are saturated with military children whose parents live among the local communities. Letter writing was only the tip of the spear. Several care packages and craft-work were also generated.

From the northwestern tip of Kuuui to the southern shores of the Big Island, donations of time, free labor, care packages, money, needed products and services, have poured forth continuously from organizations and individuals.

As U.S. and coalition pilots pinpointed their first loads of lethal bombs on military and strategic Iraqi targets, what most people had come to accept as the likely outcome finally happened - America went to war. The people of Hawaii shifted into high gear and the swell of support became a full-fledged wave. It held strong throughout the six-weeks of fighting.

Many of the wives at home said they don't think they could have made it through the seven-month deployment in one piece, if not for the support the nation, and the people of this state showed them.

"Seeing the American people stand behind our troops has made me even more patriotic than I ever was," said Jody Schlund. The Marine wife added that everywhere she went in Hawaii the signs were apparent. "It made this deployment almost bearable to know they were standing behind my husband and me."

Judy Gutierrez, co-president with Judy Conlen of the Enlisted Spouses' Center at the Marine Corps Air Station, has been interacting with hundreds of Kaneohe

families since the deployment. She said the positive effect of "Hawaiian support has lightened all of our hearts."

As they've returned home, Desert Storm Marines have also told stories of how they made it through some of their most difficult days, "because I got a letter from someone I'd never even met," as one Marine put it, "telling me they were praying for us, and hoped for our safe return." Another said support from home gave purpose to a "very difficult deployment and made it worthy of sacrifice."

This support from home led Lt. Col. John Garrett, commanding officer of 3d Battalion, 3d Marines, to say the war was not fought only by the troops in the Mideast sands or skies above, but rather by all Americans.

"We had a secret weapon - your support," Garrett said during a speech to a Hawaiian gathering, "because you all got involved and stood strong behind a common cause in time of difficulty."

Garrett's speech was given at a welcome home ceremony for one of his companies at the Hyatt Regency Waikoloa on the Big Island, March 29. An employee organization at the hotel, called the Hyatt Hui, had organized the event to culminate months of support they'd shown for the Marines and sailors of Company K.

This was only one of many hotels that adopted units during Operations Desert Shield/Storm, and held celebrations for them and their families when they returned.

Garrett said the roots of patriotism that sprouted during the war stem far deeper than just support for the troops. "This victory lifted a weight from the whole nation, that has been there for the past 20 years."

That weight weighed perhaps most heavily on the lives of Vietnam war veterans. Many of them came home to abuse, not celebrations. Some were even spit on as they returned to America.

One Vietnam veteran, L. Deal, said the weight this



Fans at the Feb. 3 Pro Bowl, held at Aloha Stadium, showed their support for troops deployed to the Persian Gulf. A portion of the game's halftime ceremonies was dedicated to Operation Desert Shield and Storm warriors.

war has lifted could not have been more liberating for any group of individuals than the vets of his generation. Many of the homecoming celebrations, including the one for Company K, also honored their service to this country.

"I've been hiding in the bush, as I like to call it, for the past 20 years," explained Deal, a resident of the Big Island. "I think now I might be ready to rejoin society."

Deal also said that he and his Vietnam comrades were the biggest supporters of the deployed troops, "because no one can understand how important it is to have the support of one's country during and after a war, than those who never did."

He illustrated the depth that support allegorically. "We held an olive branch in one hand, to support our comrades, and a bat in the other, to take on anyone who didn't."

As it turned out, this was no Vietnam - something President Bush had promised all along. It was different

in just about every way possible. Patriotism was strong, military strategy was nearly flawless, and victory was both quick and decisive.

Deal and other vets dropped their "bats" early on, and joined with crowds of concerned Americans, to put their faith and hope for success to action. This action, according to Garrett Deal, and others, helped lead the troops toward what may stand out in history as the most "perfectly executed military campaign ever waged."

And the support for Desert Storm warriors and family has not fizzled now that the war is over. In fact, it has increased. Celebrations and special events in their honor are drowned out only by the smiles, handshakes and personal thanks they receive everywhere they go.

Additionally, Governor John Waihee initiated a special "Aloha R&R" program as yet another sign of appreciation. According to Carolyn Tanaka, a press secretary for the governor's office, Ha-

waii's visitor industry is offering special rates to service men and women and their families as part of the program.

"This is our special way of expressing gratitude to the men and women who brought us victory in the Persian Gulf," Waihee said of the program. "The spirit of aloha is a gift which we give proudly to our armed forces and their families who sacrificed so much for us."

The entirety of Hawaiian support has been too much for Lt. Col. Barry Farmer of the 3d Marines. Having been home for several weeks now, Farmer said "it used to seem like relations between Marines and the community weren't so great," but said he feels like "it couldn't get any better than what it is right now."

In a sense, he's only partially correct, because the interaction between returning Gulf War veterans and the community continues to increase and grow warmer as more friendships form between them.

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Civilian, military officials kick off week honoring the armed services

By ELOISE AGUIAR
Sun Press

Hawaii Military Week is the island way for the community to show its appreciation and recognition to members of the armed services and their dependents in Hawaii.

The seven-day event runs from May 11-19 and is funded by local businesses and individuals. The celebration is designed not only to express gratitude to the military and their dependents assigned here, but also to promote an increased awareness within the community at large of the military's economic and social contributions.

The activities this year are especially significant in light of the number of Hawaii-based service members and Hawaii families that were affected by Operation Desert Storm. The events will provide the opportunity for Hawaii residents to give their moral support to those families and service members.

Adm. Charles Larson, Commander in Chief, U.S. Pacific Command,

"Hawaii Military Week is much appreciated, and I speak for all of our service members, civilian employees and their families when I say that we are very touched by your efforts to enhance our close relationships. Thank you for your support."

— Adm. Charles Larson, Commander in Chief, U.S. Pacific Command

said that Hawaii's outpouring of support during Operation Desert Storm was greatly appreciated by the troops serving in Saudi Arabia.

"You are our heroes," Larson said. "We are family—reunited. "The warm aloha spirit of Hawaii's residents makes it rewarding for us to participate as citizens of their great state.

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Thank you for your support," he said.

Larson said there is more reason now than ever before to appreciate the privilege of being Americans because we enjoy the blessings of freedom and a quality of life unmatched anywhere in the world.

Gov. John Waihee said that the military has been instrumental in Hawaii's growth because military bases and installations provide stable employment in technical and service skills. Defense logistical requirements fuel our business economy, he said.

"Throughout the years,

our military neighbors have been our friends, helpmates and co-workers in time of need," Waihee said. "I salute the men and women of the Armed Services for their courage, dedication and outstanding spirit."

Mayor Frank Fasi said that with the war concluded and victory in hand, it is fitting for all our residents to honor the members of our Armed Forces who returned home triumphant.

"Let us express our heartfelt mahalo to them during Hawaii Military Week 1991 for having uplifted and reinvigorated

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Lt. Jon Hughes and his daughter, Emily, share the patriotic spirit that prevailed during President George Bush's recent visit to Hickam Air Force Base.

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Lt. Col. John C. Garrett and Sgt. Sara Rivera of the Kaneohe Marine Corps Air Station flank state Rep. Cynthia Thielen during a recent ceremony at the State Capitol. Thielen presented the officers with a resolution thanking the Marines and their families for their efforts in the war against Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein. Also attending the ceremony was Mrs. J.V. Garrett and daughter Beth (left).

Thank you Marines! Cynthia Thielen

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Islanders show gratitude during week's celebration

From page 3

our nation with a renewed sense of purpose and commitment to democratic ideals," Fasi said.

He said that never has the strength, determination and skill of America's fighting forces been brought so close to home via satellite broadcasting.

"From day one, as our nation watched brave warriors part from their families to fight for the freedom and liberation of Kuwait, Americans displayed a show of support unparalleled since the second World War," Fasi said.

"We prayed in earnest for the safe and speedy return of these young men and women, often through public demonstrations of patriotism and concern," he said.

Events during the week will include the colorful opening day ceremony and parade, concerts, entertainment at the Maritime Center, a Canteen Party, a luau and a

Tribute to the Troops at Pearl Harbor. The schedule of events follows:

- Saturday, May 11, opening ceremony will be at Honolulu Hale followed by a parade at 9:30 a.m. The parade will travel along King Street to Ala Moana Park. A free concert takes place from noon to 4:30 p.m. at the park.

- Sunday, May 12, is Military Appreciation Day at the Hawaii Maritime Center, Honolulu Harbor, Pier 7. The day-long entertainment includes dancers, bands, food, slide shows, boat rides and watercolor tattoos.

- Tuesday, May 14, is the Business-After-Hours Canteen Party at the USO Grounds in Fort DeRussy. The 5:30-7:30 p.m. affair is by invitation only.

- Wednesday, May 15, at 7 p.m. will be a free Combined Military Band Concert at the Walkiki Shell. Emcee for the night is KGMB newsman Bob Jones with guest appearances by Cheryl Toma,

Jan Brenner and Jimmy Borges.

- Thursday, May 16, at 6 p.m. there will be a Joint Service Unit Recognition Awards luncheon. Attendance is by invitation.

- Friday, May 17, at 6 p.m. is the Paradise Cove Luau at Kapolei honoring Armed Forces National Guard and Reserve. Civilian tickets will be sold only at House of Music. Military tickets will be sold at special services desks.

- Sunday, May 19, from 10 a.m.-6 p.m. will be Family Day at Pearl Harbor on Richardson Field. It will feature Desert Storm military displays, monster car crushing, bed dancing competition, 50 classic cars display, games, pony rides, bands, the annual SOS cook-off contest with MC Karen Keawehawaii.

Admission is \$4, with children under 12 free, and tickets may be purchased at special services desks and at the House of Music.

Teresa Mann shares a quiet moment with her husband, Marine Tom Mann, after he arrived home from the gulf in March along with the first contingent of returning personnel at Hickam Air Force Base.

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Parade officially welcomes home the warriors

By ELOISE AGUIAR
Sun Press

Saturday's Hawaii Military Week parade will be the biggest ever, with the Armed Services in Hawaii contributing a record number of marching units, bands and special features.

The parade starts 9:30 a.m. at Ala Park and ends at Ala Moana Park.

The city-sponsored parade and festivities to follow at Ala Moana are the official welcome home for the armed forces that served in Operation Desert Storm, said Mayor Frank Fasi.

"Those brave men and women who brought Saddam to his knees deserve the warmest and biggest welcome we can give them," Fasi said. "We're counting on everyone to turn out for the morning parade and all-day activities."

The reviewing stand for 200 invited military, government and business leaders will be located at the front of Honolulu Hale.

Taking part in the parade are more than 106 units representing all branches of the military



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Lance Cpl. Lionel Lemalle waves to the crowd gathered at Hickam Air Force Base before departing on a parade through Waikiki and Kailua as one of the first Marines to return from the gulf.

and veterans of wars along with the mayor, governor and Brig. Gen. John Admire, Commander of the 3rd Marine Regiment at Kaneohe.

The ranking Marine Commander in Saudi Arabia, Lt. Gen. Walt Boomer, Commanding General, I Marine Expeditionary Force, is coming to Hawaii especially to take part in the festivities at the invitation of the mayor.

"Because Operation Desert Storm had ended, the Marines were asked to provide more support for the parade than they normally do," said Staff Sgt. Terri Allen. "Usually we contribute 40 or 50 people."

Kaneohe Marines are expected to contribute a battalion to the event. As many as 1,000 Marines representing 25 units will be involved, said a spokesperson from the public affairs office.

The Air Force will have at least 10 units in the parade, according to the Hickam public affairs office.

It will contribute to the Joint Service Color Guard and have its own Air Force Color Guard.

The Air Force Grand Marshals will be Maj. Julia Thompson, commander of the 15th Security Police Squadron and Col. James Schaffer, commander of the 619th Military Airlift Support

Squadron. Units from their command will be marching in the parade.

The USAF Recruiting Service will be supplying its mini F16 Thunderbird vehicle for the Saturday event. Also there will be a 50th state flag float with Air Force veterans.

Finally, the 48th Aeroport Squadron, a reserve support group, will add its unit to the parade for the Air Force.

Entries from the Army include two Grand Marshals: Maj. Douren Harris, who served in Saudi Arabia, and Sgt. 1st. Class Brian Anderson. They will be accompanied by the 25th Infantry Division Band.

The Wolfhounds, 4th. Battalion, 27th. Infantry, have slated 350 troops for the parade, including 100 who served in the Persian Gulf war.

Other units representing the Army are the 2nd Battalion, 11th Field Artillery; 3rd Battalion, 21st Infantry; the 9th Corps Reserves 100th Battalion, 442nd Infantry and members of the Tripler Army Medical Center.

The Navy will have two Grand Marshals: Com-

mand Master Chief of the USS Leftwich FCCM Terry Ashenfelter and EM2 Cybil Rhodes, who is the sailor of the year aboard the USS Cimarron.

Marching units from the five ships that served in the Persian Gulf are participating in the parade. Sailors from the USS Worden, USS Leftwich, USS Goldsborough, USS Brewton and the USS Cimarron will be there.

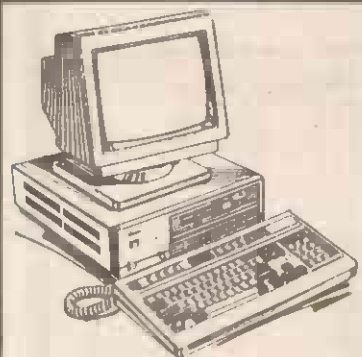
The CINCPAC Fleet Band will perform.

Also marching for the Navy are Patrol Squadron 4 from Barbers Point; a Naval Air Station unit; and a unit from Area Communication Master Station in Wahiawa.

Other participants in the parade include the Royal Hawaiian Band, military bands and high school marching bands.

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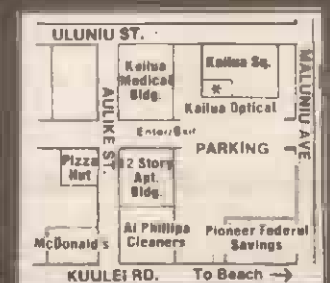


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Names of military operations imply the purpose of missions

Army News Service

The phrases "Urgent Fury," "Just Cause," "Desert Shield" and "Desert Storm" have brought life and meaning to U.S. military operations. But who actually comes up with these catchy, yet informative titles?

Ensuring that operations are well-named without giving away their missions is one of the Pentagon's Joint Operations Directorate and Plans and Interoperability Directorate.

"We name operations so we can discuss them without revealing their classified contents," said an Air Force Joint Operations action officer. Using a control roster, the directorate provides action officers with two computer-generated letters from which to determine a joint exercise name.

"We don't choose proper nouns or names used in previous exercises. And to prevent confusion, we also avoid words from the phonetic

"Unlike operation nicknames, code words are single, classified words used to maintain security. The words themselves don't describe anything, but they represent plans. So while we could talk about the unclassified name Operation Desert Storm, we couldn't discuss the codewords included in its execution."

— Pentagon Air Force official

alphabet," the Air Force official said. "Efforts are made, however, to select names that will inspire the troops taking part. Hence Operation Just Cause in Panama or Desert Shield/Storm in the Persian Gulf."

He said sometimes they are able to come up with names that give some sense of what the mission means without revealing the details. "For instance, Operation Steel Box was a solid, positive name for an exercise to remove chemical weapons from Europe. The name implied leak-proof execution, thus reassuring our allies," he said.

Operation nicknames always come in pairs and

are unclassified, said a Navy official in the joint directorate who is the so-called "custodian of the code words." He said the operation naming process stretches back to the Normandy Invasion, which was called Operation Overlord.

"Unlike operation nicknames, code words are single, classified words used to maintain security," he said. "The words themselves don't describe anything, but they represent plans. So while we could talk about the unclassified name Operation Desert Storm, we couldn't discuss the codewords included in its execution."

According to the code word custodian, there are thousands of catalogued code words available for operations and exercises, but none can be used in an operation's nickname. "I review all proposed names to ensure no code words are used." Each joint command or agency is assigned an area of lettered initials from which to choose a name.







According to an Air Force interoperability specialist, other names of operations include Sharp Edge, which evacuated U.S. citizens from Liberia in 1990, and Operation Earnest Will, which protected Kuwaiti oil tankers in the late 1980s. He said while many names are picked for contingency plans, the commander in chief of the military command has the option of renaming an operation for implementation.

"If it is an operation involving multiple services, it will be considered 'joint' — no service fights alone anymore anywhere in the world," said the Air Force major.



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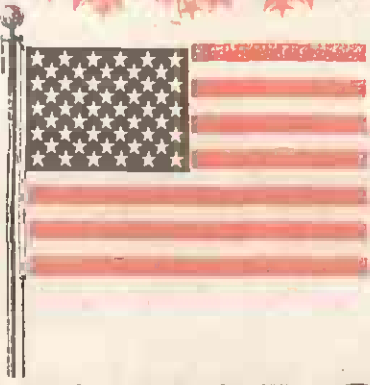


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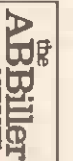
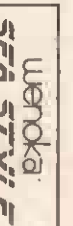
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DoD employs many disabled

By RUDI WILLIAMS
American Forces Information Services

The Department of Defense is a shining example among government agencies when it comes to employing disabled workers, and that's the way Secretary of Defense Dick Cheney likes it.

Cheney recently exempted severely disabled from DoD's hiring freeze and encouraged the military services and DoD agencies to hire more of them. He has set a DoD-wide goal of nearly doubling the ranks of severely disabled employees from 1.2 percent of the civilian work force to 2 percent.

Last summer, DoD's civilian work force included 12,136 employees whose disabilities had been targeted for increased hiring emphasis by the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission. The disabilities include blindness, deafness, partial or complete paralysis, mental retardation, mental illness, seizure disorders, missing extremities and deteriorations of limbs or the spine.

In addition, the Defense Manpower Data center in Monterey, Calif., reported DoD had nearly 60,500 disabled veterans on the payroll in September 1990. The Marine Corps and

Navy had 15,698; the Army had 23,309; the Air Force, 17,280; and other DoD activities, 4,146.

DoD's equal opportunity office compiled a list of 300 college students with severe disabilities for possible employment with the department. Information about candidates is available to the military services and DoD activities by sending a facsimile request to 1-703-696-5338 or writing to:

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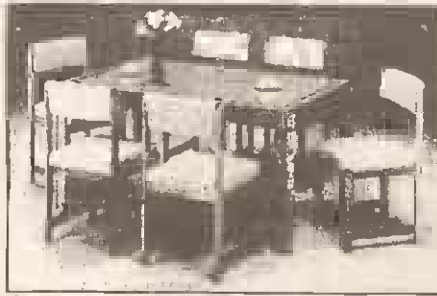
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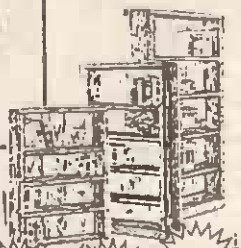
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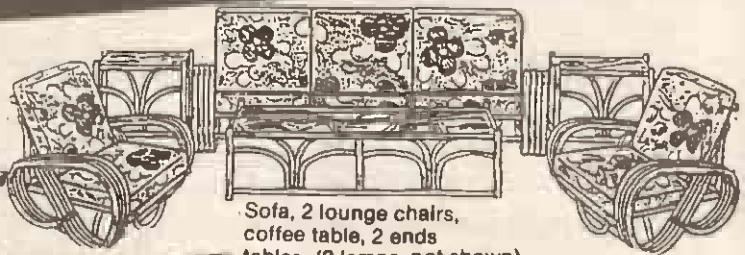
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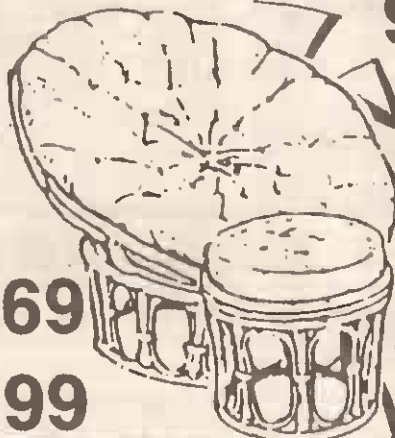
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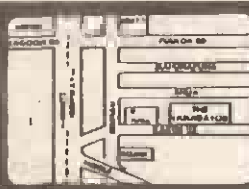
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Marines put Kailua businesses back on track

By ELOISE AGUIAR
Sun Press

KAILUA — The war in the Persian Gulf took its toll on businesses in Kailua, forcing some close to bankruptcy and others to improvise. But now that the military has

returned, profits have taken an upturn and at least one company has redefined its demographics.

Perry Saniga, owner of Liquor Plus located in Aikahi Shopping Center, said that business was "absolutely terrible" after

the Marines left for the Middle East.

"We totally miscalculated how much they contributed to our business," Saniga said. "We thought it was 30 percent, but it was actually 50 percent."

The family-run opera-

tion felt immediate consequences, he said. Within one month it was unable to meet expenses. If the war had lasted another month, it would have gone under.

"I was borrowing money on my credit cards," he said. "You know you're in trouble when you have to do that."

Saniga said that he knew of other small businesses that suffered the same financial problems. However, creditors did

not turn their backs on Liquor Plus, and Saniga said that without their understanding and the regular customers, he would have had to shut down.

But the Marines have landed, and Saniga and others are reaping the economic benefits from their presence in the Islands once again. He said the whole community needs to do more to express its appreciation to the servicemen and women.

"This is definitely a military town," he said, adding that if the government does away with the base a lot of small businesses would die.

Saniga showed his own appreciation by giving all returning military personnel a free "all-American hot dog and a 12-ounce can of Bud," he said.

Another business that suffered from the deployment of Marines is Burger King at Aikahi Shop-

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Fast Eddie's promotion director Michael Broome says now that the Marines are back, the club will change its strategy and try to attract both local and Marine customers.

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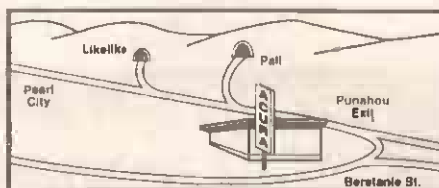


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Marines' return helps merchants

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ping Center. Restaurant operator Grace Agbayani said that going out into the community and promoting the business saved it from total failure.

"We're definitely doing better since their return," she said. "We've had a positive upturn. We were really down, but we were not down and out. I did a lot of promotion."

Agbayani, who came to the store in December, said she gave tours of the operations to school groups and generally made people feel more welcome when they came in, especially construction workers.

"Many places don't want them to come in because of their dirty clothes," she said. "But I have the workers and we can clean up."

Despite the slowdown in business, Burger King did not have to lay off any employees. In fact, many of its restaurant workers were in the military and shipped out with the rest, she said.

With them returning, Agbayani is rehiring and doubly glad for their return.

The National Video store located at the same shopping center also has reason to be glad that the troops have returned. The store, which opened just as the Marines were pulling out, didn't notice them gone until they came back.

"Business got a lot better when they returned," said Tanya Kellogg, supervisor at the store. "We're getting 10 new members a day since they returned."

New members mean National can buy more

movies, which means more selection, she said. And with Marines borrowing up to six movies at a time, the video shop will need more selections.

"They're renting all the movies they didn't get to see while they were away," Kellogg said. "And to show our support, anyone with an active-duty identification will receive a free movie."

Movies are not the only things Marines are catching up on, according to Michael Broome, promotions director at Fast Eddie's. The sports bar and nightclub is experiencing an influx of customers.

"We definitely are noting an increase in our military patrons," Broome said. "There's been a jump in activity."

Fast Eddie's did not suffer the same plight as some Kailua businesses because Broome changed his marketing strategy when the Marines left, he said.

"We went after the local market," he said. "We brought in name bands like Bruddah Walta and Kapena. We had our best month ever in December."

Broome also said that January, usually the slowest month, was good this year. He said, however, that his father's place was the only nightclub in town with a dance floor and stage.

Now with the military back, he will change his strategy again and try to accommodate both tastes.

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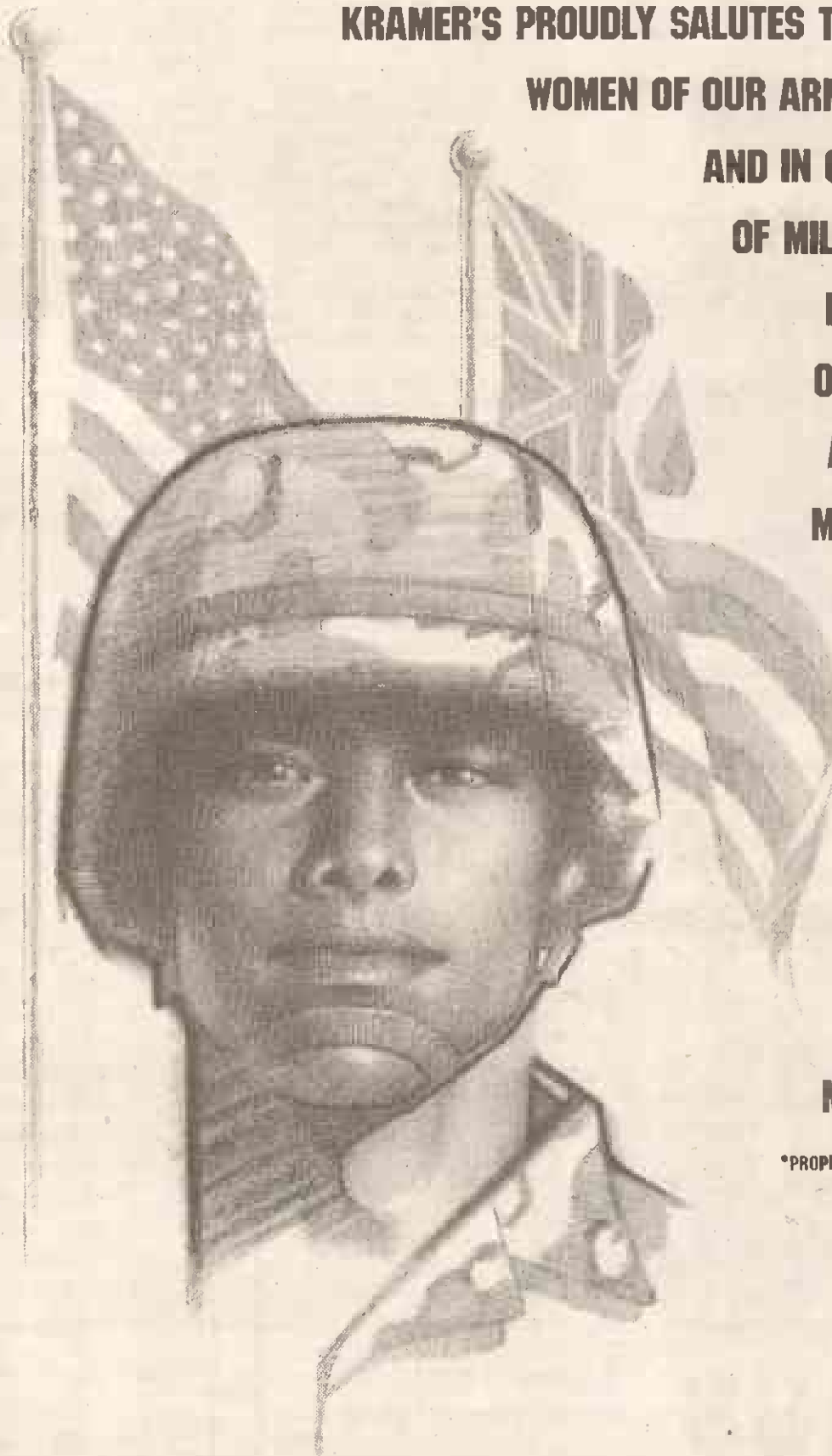
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Bush authorizes SW Asia medal

By SFC LINDA LEE
American Forces Information Services

Military members serving in Operations Desert Shield and Desert Storm will get to wear the new Southwest Asia Service Medal recently established by an executive order from President Bush.

Service secretaries are determining the specific eligibility requirements.

"This medal was designed to represent the period of service from Aug. 2, 1990, when Kuwait was invaded, until Jan. 16, 1991," said Lt. Gen. Donald Jones, deputy assistant secretary of defense for military manpower and personnel policy.

He added that a campaign star will be authorized for the period Jan. 17 to a date still to be determined by the secretary of defense. The campaign star denotes the commencement of the war effort, he said.

Instead of awarding the Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal to servicemembers in the Persian Gulf conflict, their performance and professionalism merited the creation

of a new medal, Jones said.

"It specifically recognizes those young men and women who deployed to the Persian Gulf and participated in this complex, demanding and highly successful operation," he said.

Defense Secretary Dick Cheney recently authorized the award of the National Defense Service Medal to those serving on active duty Aug. 2 or later, in recognition of the efforts of the armed

forces worldwide. The Southwest Asia Service Medal is special recognition for the forces that deployed to the gulf region, Jones explained.

The colors of the new medal, according to Jones, incorporate the colors of the United States and the Persian Gulf area. The medal was designed by the Army's Institute of Heraldry. The basic ribbon is sand-colored, which represents the desert, with red, white, blue, green and

black stripes.

"We wanted to make the medal representative of all services. It is a joint operation, and we wanted representative scenes of the area," he said.

The front of the medal shows the desert and sea with a tank, armored personnel carrier, helicopter, ship and aircraft. The reverse side depicts a sword entwined by a palm frond, representing military might and preparedness in defense of peace.



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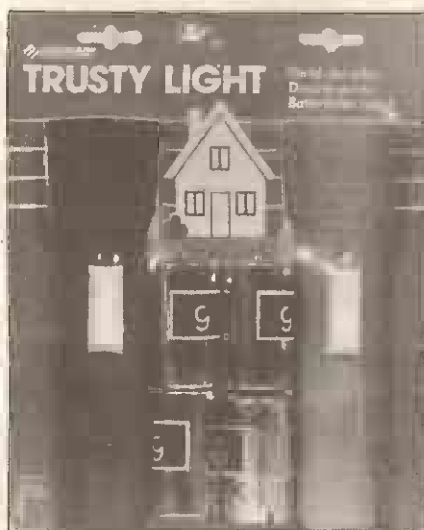


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Some 'military discounts' are not what they appear

By CPT. JASON ERICKSON
Marines

There are a number of specials being offered to servicemen and women by travel, hotel, restaurant and entertainment companies as a result of Operation Desert Storm.

While several are very good deals, they aren't always as great as they first appear. Don't be fooled into laying your money down hastily by advertisements that suggest, for example, "half off for the troops," because it might not be what it seems.

While such advertisements may not be false, they can be very misleading. To ensure you are getting the best possible buy for your money, consult the LIFEKO office aboard the Air Station or comparable agencies at other military installations.

These offices have complete listings of local hotels, and national airline and rental-car fares currently being offered.

Much of the misconception lies in the fact that the discounts are based on the most expensive fares a customer would pay. For instance, several airlines are currently offering 70 percent off their "unrestricted regular rates." About the only time customers would pay the "unrestricted regular rate," however, is if they needed a flight with no advanced booking, or had to retain their refund option.

Otherwise, there are any number of other specials offered to all customers that bring this regular rate way down.

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tary rate and the best rate you'd get using other specials, will vary depending on the amount of time you prebook your flight, the airline, and your destination and starting point. In many cases, the military rate is about the same, *sometimes* its even more.

This situation also applies to most of the local businesses now offering military specials.

As with airline specials, hotels are offering large percentages off their "regular rates." But, again, military people living in Hawaii wouldn't have to pay those rates anyway. The military special may be the best possible buy, but don't expect it to be 50 percent off what you'd normally pay, as may be suggested by advertisements. When in doubt, check it out further.

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Museum sheds light on solar eclipses

By MSGT. DONALD MCGUE
Army

"Eclipse Hawaii: The Greatest Show Above Earth" is a special exhibit open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily at Honolulu's Bishop Museum in anticipation of the "once-in-a-lifetime" spectacle, July 11.

In Hawaii, the eclipse will reach the "total" stage only on the island of Hawaii, and the extreme southern tip of Maui. On Oahu, people will be treated to a maximum of 96 percent coverage. In the Honolulu area, the partial eclipse begins at 6:31 a.m. July 11, achieves maximum effect (96.3 percent) at 7:29 a.m., and ends at 8:35 a.m.

During the maximum eclipse on Oahu, it won't be completely dark; however, it will take on a dusk-like appearance, or look like a bad storm approaching, even though the sky may be clear. Light-sensitive street lights may turn on. On the Big Island, during the period of totality, it will be about as dark as night during a full moon, but the horizon, in every direction, will look like the

sun is about to rise.

A solar eclipse occurs when the moon crosses directly into the path between the sun and the earth. The moon casts its shadow on the earth, with the spot on earth covered by the shadow experiencing the eclipse. The spot moves as the earth rotates and the moon orbits the earth. On July 11, the eclipse will start a short distance to the west of the Hawaiian Islands, cross the east Pacific, go over the southern tip of Baja, Calif., over Mexico City, much of Central America, cross Columbia and end in Brazil.

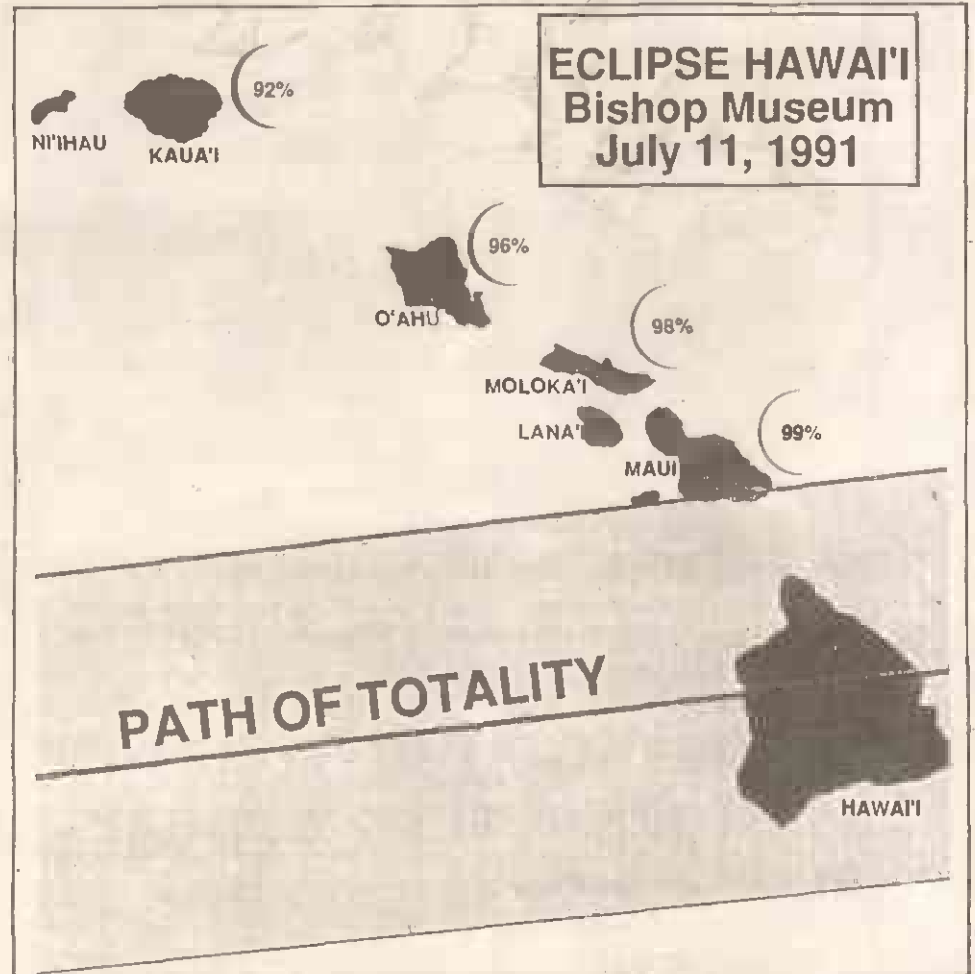
Solar eclipses are very rare. On the average, total eclipses occur at the same location on earth every 360 years. The last total eclipse in Hawaii took place August 7, 1850. The next one will occur May 3, 2106.

The most important consideration when viewing an eclipse is safety. On Oahu, the eclipse will reach a maximum of 96 percent. It is extremely dangerous and harmful to look at the sun without using a safe viewing technique; and on Oahu, it will

be dangerous even during the point of maximum eclipse. If people travel to the island of Hawaii, it will be safe to look directly at the eclipse during the four minutes of totality; however, even on the Big Island during the partial phases before and after the total eclipse, a safe viewing technique must be used.

There are several methods that may be used to safely view the eclipse. Safe viewing techniques are explained and demonstrated at the Eclipse Hawaii exhibit at the Bishop Museum. The best, recommended safe viewing method is attained by using a sun peep. While using a sun peep, a viewer may observe the eclipse directly, and without danger.

Sunglasses (all types), smoked glass and film are not safe, and although they may block visible light, they do not effectively block the infrared and ultraviolet light that burns people's eyes. Remember, the damage is permanent, and it's not worth the risk. Sun peeps



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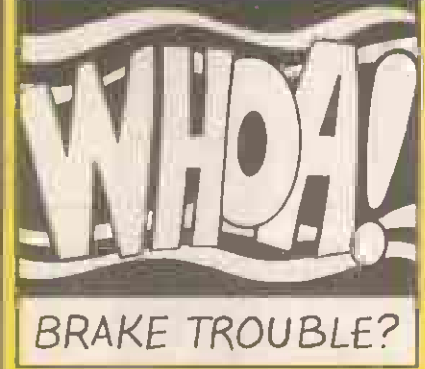
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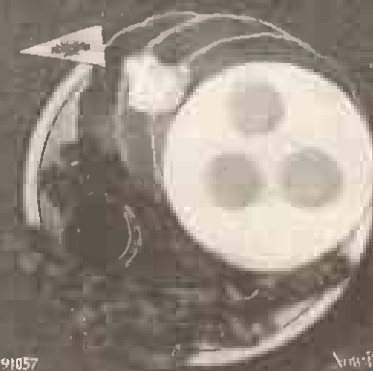


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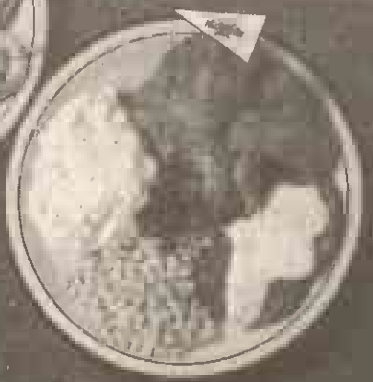
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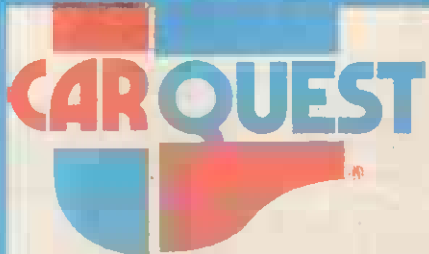
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Tripler using new mother-child care system

By SGT. SALLY ROBERTS
Army

For a new mother, the first few days after the birth of a baby can be filled with uncertainty.

Not only does she face her own physical recovery from pregnancy and childbirth, but she also faces her first challenge of caring for a new baby. Even an experienced mother has to renew her instincts in caring for a newborn.

Couplet Care, a new program at Tripler Army Medical Center, is aimed at giving moms the confidence and competence to care for their new babies once they leave the hospital.

The program is a concept of nursing care, where one nurse is responsible for the care of mother and baby as one unit, said Maj. Wanda Fuschino, clinical nurse specialist for Maternal Child Health. This concept varies from the traditional one of the newborn nursery staff caring for the baby, and the postpartum ward staff caring for the mother.

Couplet Care is well established in civilian hospitals across the country.

Fuschino explained that mothers generally spend only two days in the hospital, with an uncomplicated delivery. During that time, they receive advice and instruction on many subjects — from their own postpartum care to diapering, bathing and feeding their infant.

"If a mother has three or four care-providers coming in to assist her, it can become confusing," Fuschino said. "We have more consistent teaching with one person, and I think they develop a relationship with those nurses and become more confident with their baby care before they go home."

In the past, moms had to go back and forth from the ward to the nursery for classes and to get questions answered or problems solved. Now, the ward nurses are specially trained to deal with the health concerns of both mother and baby.

Fuschino also ex-

plained that this program won't eliminate the need for the newborn nursery, because there must always be an area where babies are admitted, stabilized and physically evaluated following birth.

In preparation for this new program, the nursery and postpartum nurses received on-the-job training in many areas of care. This included classes in neonatal resuscitation, newborn assessment, circumcision and drawing blood on a baby, said Capt. Bette-Jo Taylor, Couplet head nurse.

"The nurses are also giving more of the baby-care classes, which frees the doctors to have more contact and personal care with patients when they make rounds," she said.

"Couplet Care also gives the (licensed practical nurses) an expanded role," Taylor added. "They have more input into the care of their patients and are there to get feedback. It's a lot better care for the mom and baby. They receive a lot more personal interest. This is a positive change."



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Army 2nd Lt. Linda Standly instructs Cynthia Culp on care for her newborn daughter, Rachel, during a recent Couplet Care session at Tripler Army Medical Center.

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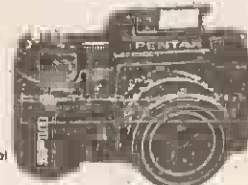


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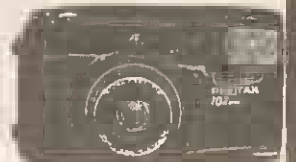
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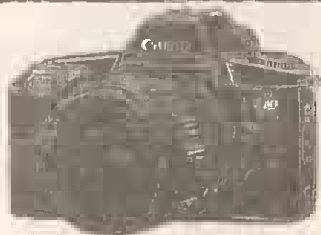


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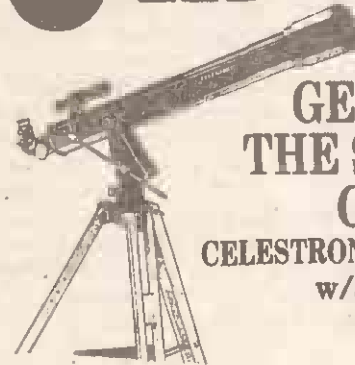
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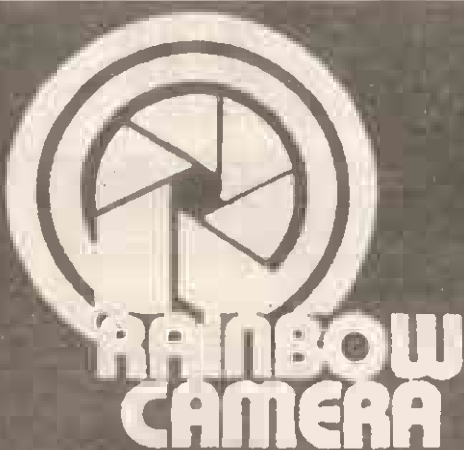
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Mike Buonaugurio (left rear), James "Toy" Brown (left front), Cindy Davidson (in the bed), George Kaono (right rear) and Frank Highsmith sprint toward the finish line at the recent Carole Kai Bed Race. The Hickam team won the master's division for the second straight year and sixth time since 1983.

Air Force master's team captures bed race crown

By SRA DEBRA L. SHAVER
Air Force

Recently, many people spent a relaxing day catching up on some much-needed sleep. But, while they lazed around in bed, about 640 people pushed beds at high rates of speed down Kalakaua Avenue at the 18th Annual Carole Kai Bed Race.

The race, which was preceded by a parade down Ala Moana Boulevard, is a team event consisting of an eight-member squad and a bed-rider. Four members push the bed along a 1/8-mile dash to the halfway mark. The

rider jumps out of the bed, and the team members negotiate an obstacle course. Another four-member team relieves the first set of runners and takes the bed and the rider back down the course to the finish line.

The Hickam Master's team proved unbeatable. The team of seasoned veterans, age 35 and over, won the division due to what announcers coined "the precision of the Air Force."

"We won every race on the obstacle course," claimed Steve Zak, the Master's team coach. "By the time we got to the last

leg of the race, it was a cake walk. We never had to use our speed."

The Master's team included Wesley Ke, George Kaono, Mike Buonaugurio, Billy Davidson, Danny Ferguson, Bill Minnie, James "Toy" Brown, Frank Highsmith and bed-rider, Cindy Davidson.

The 1957th Communications Group was edged out in the coed division finals. Other Hickam teams participating in the bed race included the 15th Mission Support Squadron and the 548th Reconnaissance Technical Group.



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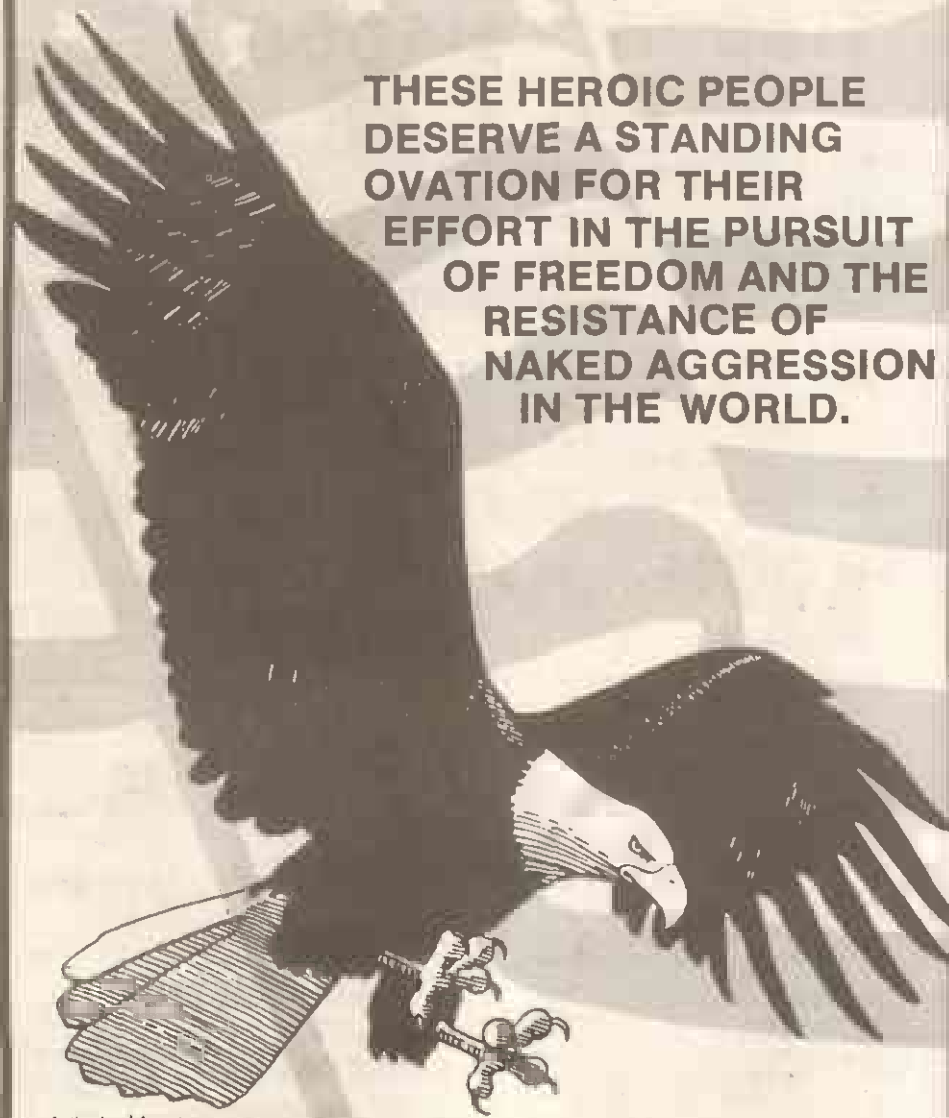
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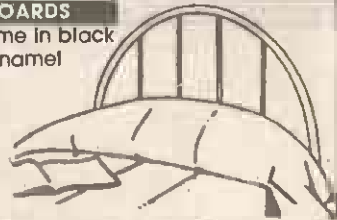


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The 45th Support Group women's bed-racing team dashes toward the finish line in the recent Carole Kai Bed Race. The team placed first in the Women's Open Division.

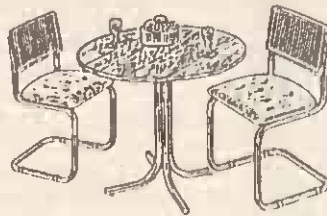
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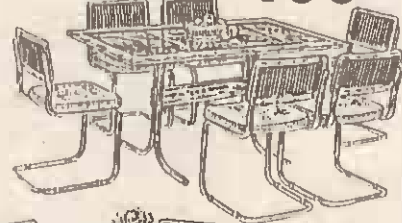


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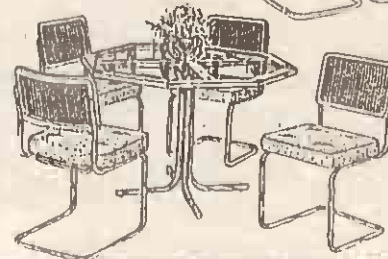
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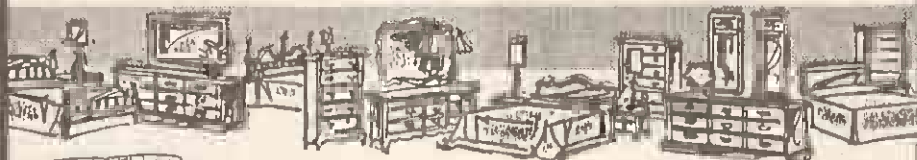


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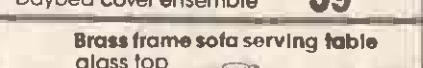
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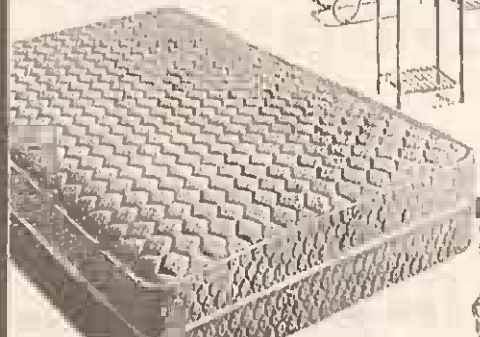
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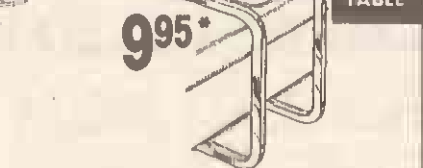
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Contractor discovers WWII vintage ordnance at Schofield

SCHOFIELD — Civilian contractors working on sewage lines at Schofield Barracks recently uncovered a cache of World War II-vintage ordnance, according to Stan Toledo, spokesman for the United States Army Support Command Hawaii.

The discovery occurred late in the morning at Gimlet field, which borders Wilikina Drive between McNair Gate and Funston Gate. Traffic was rerouted through Wahiawa throughout the weekend as ordnance experts excavated the findings, Toledo said.

Approximately 13 specialists from both the 6th Ordnance Detachment and the 176th Ordnance Detachment worked to excavate the live ammunition, he said. Toledo provided a final list of the munitions found, including 40 trip flares, 84 hand grenades, 90 tube-launched anti-tank rockets, 247 rifle grenades,

and 33,500 rounds of different caliber bullets.

Also found with the ammunition was a pickle jar with a laundry receipt dated March 2, 1945. This cannot be used to definitively date the munitions, Toledo said, since considerable time could have passed between the laun-

dry receipt being dated and the munitions actually being buried.

The accountability for munitions is much stricter today than during the late 1940s, according to Toledo. It would not be possible for this type of disposal to occur now, he said.

The munitions were very deteriorated with rust around the casings. Toledo described them as quite hazardous.

They are to be destroyed at one of the ranges at Schofield sometime soon, he said.



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Capt. Robert Klimczak, an explosive ordnance disposal expert, inspects munitions recently uncovered at Schofield Barracks in Wahiawa.

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Thus, in 1941, the USO was founded when six non-profit agencies came together in response to

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During World War II, the USO began its 50 years of service by providing a "touch of home" to more than 12 million servicemen and women through an estimated 3,000 community centers worldwide.

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In the 1960s, the Vietnam War brought the USO back into world attention. But the end of the draft and a return to peace raised new questions about the need for continuing its mission. The United Way of America and the Department of Defense conducted a major review of USO programs and services. The committee members concluded, "if there were no USO, another organization would have to be created... isolation of the military from civilian in-

fluences is not, we believe, in the interest of this nation."

The results of this study launched the USO into a new era of peacetime service.

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By SSGT. GAYLE ORNONG
Air Force

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The sentiment ex-

pressed above by a patron of the Airmen's Attic is a familiar one among junior enlisted members. The Attic, sponsored by the 15th Security Police Squadron, is a source of free household items and clothes for Air Force E-4's and below. It has, for the past nine years, provided for many their only respite from Hawaii's inflated economy.

"Many people aren't even aware the Airmen's Attic exists," said Julie

Leasman, a volunteer who has worked at the Attic for three years. She is an active-member of the Airmen's Attic board of directors and in December, became board president. As such, she ensures Attic operations run smoothly.

Mrs. Leasman, who is married to Sgt. Leslie Leasman, a capabilities clerk at the 834th Airlift Division, began volunteering her time at the Attic when she found herself utilizing it. "We have five

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Free clothes, household items ease living costs

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children and the Attic really helped us out when we were struggling to make ends meet. I just wanted to give something back." She gave her time. One of the benefits of volunteering to work in the Attic, she noted, is that free child care is provided. "It's a nice break for parents who might want a few hours a month away from the house."

Many people who aren't aware of the Attic, donate items to off-base charities, not knowing of the great need in their own "back yard." More than 1,000 items are given out monthly at the Attic, which is located in Bldg. 507.

Patrons can choose up to 20 items per month, to include one large ticket item, such as a piece of furniture. Mrs. Leasman

said the shop is flooded with requests by Air Force families who need furniture. The security police aid this effort by transporting donated furniture from base housing to the shop.

To arrange transportation of large items on Hickam, call 449-5677 between 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. Mondays and Fridays. People who live off base who would like to donate large items can call and have the items listed on the "Are You Interested?" bulletin board. Attic patrons can then arrange to pick up the items themselves.

The Attic welcomes donations of clothing (including military uniforms), kitchen items, toys, baby furniture and accessories, small appliances, furniture and housewares. They accept any usable item in

relatively good condition with no stains, holes or visible wear. A 24-hour drop box is located on the west side of Bldg. 507 for those who want to donate items. The security police are also putting a drop box at Wheeler in the future.

"We maintain fairly high standards for the items we give away," Mrs. Leasman explained. "Items not taken by Air Force families are then donated to a charity organization for Oahu's homeless."

The Airmen's Attic is open from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Mondays and Fridays. People who want to volunteer or donate large items should call 449-5677 during operating hours.

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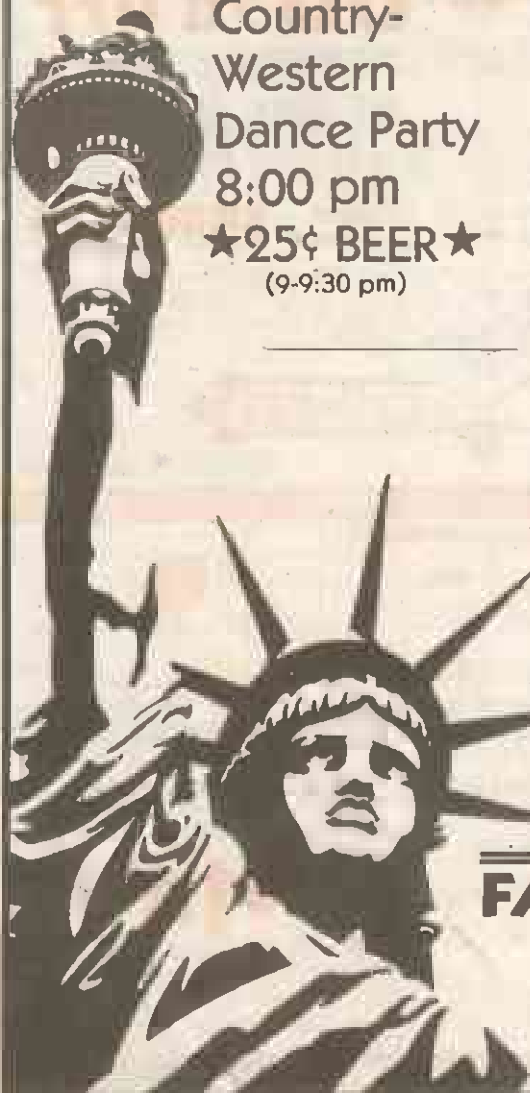
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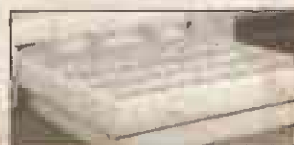
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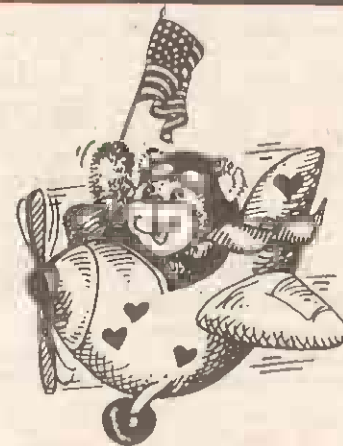
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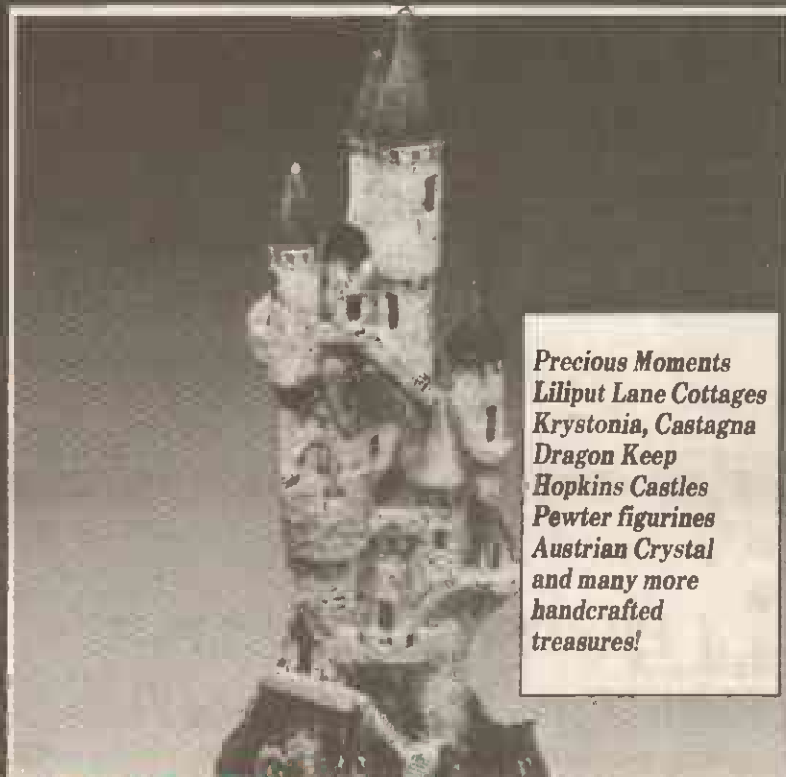
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Haleiwa surfing lesson 'wets' soldiers appetites

By SSGT. SARALYNNE STANDLEY
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"Hang ten" was the goal for many first-time surfers one recent Saturday, but the reality was "hang 12, 20 or more," depending on how many body parts were needed to stay on the board.

The Community Recreation Division, Outdoor Recreation Section presented its first Beginning Surfing Class at Haleiwa Surf Center on Oahu's North Shore. The free class was cosponsored by the City and County of Honolulu Ocean and Recreation Program.

The morning began with an on-shore briefing. This covered how to paddle the surfboard, how to keep your position in the water by watching landmarks, what to do if a runaway board is rushing at you, and even how to fall off the board.

"It's fairly shallow, so we don't want people diving off the board. They should fall off flat, and

not in front of the board," explained Ken Suiso, outdoor recreation specialist and one of the four instructors at the class.

The students then hit the water, with surfboards provided free from the Haleiwa Surf Center, and discovered the exhilaration of wave riding.

"It's kind of amazing," said William Jockheck, a soldier with 1106th Signal Brigade. "The waves just grab you. The kids have better luck, because they're lighter. I tried it with my daughter's smaller board, and it was like riding a submarine."

Maneuvering the boards against the waves took a lot more work than the students expected, and all of them came away with sore shoulders and arms.

"Paddling out was hard. I would have stayed out longer, but my arms got so tired from paddling," said Traci Sokolosky, an Army family member. "But it was really fun and exciting. I'm glad I (took

this first lesson) this way. I really trusted my instructors; they were helpful. And everybody had a good time; nobody took it too seriously."

Suiso said he got such a good response for this class, he'd like to make it a regular event. But he doesn't yet know how often that can be.

Future classes will be open to active-duty military, their family members, Department of Defense civilians, Reservists and retired servicemembers. Children must be at least 6 years old and able to swim at least 50 yards with little difficulty, Suiso said.

"After the results I've seen today, we'll definitely be coordinating more of these things," he said. "This beginning class is just to introduce people to surfing. So if the students take a liking to it, they can do it further. And if you have an interest in surfing, there's no better place than Hawaii to do it."

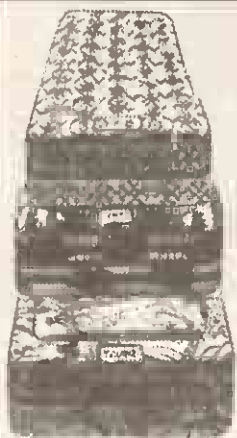


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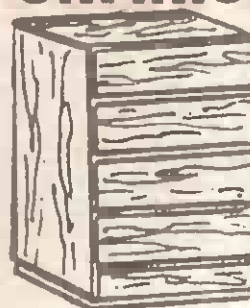
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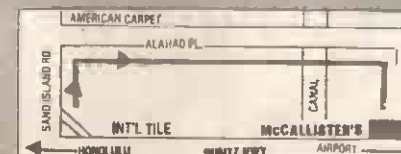
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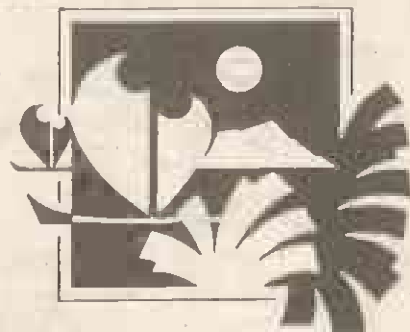
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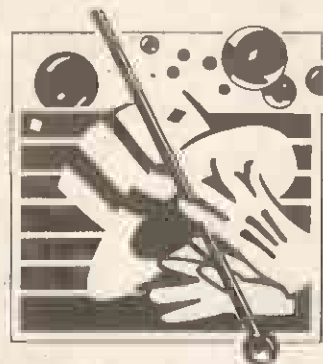
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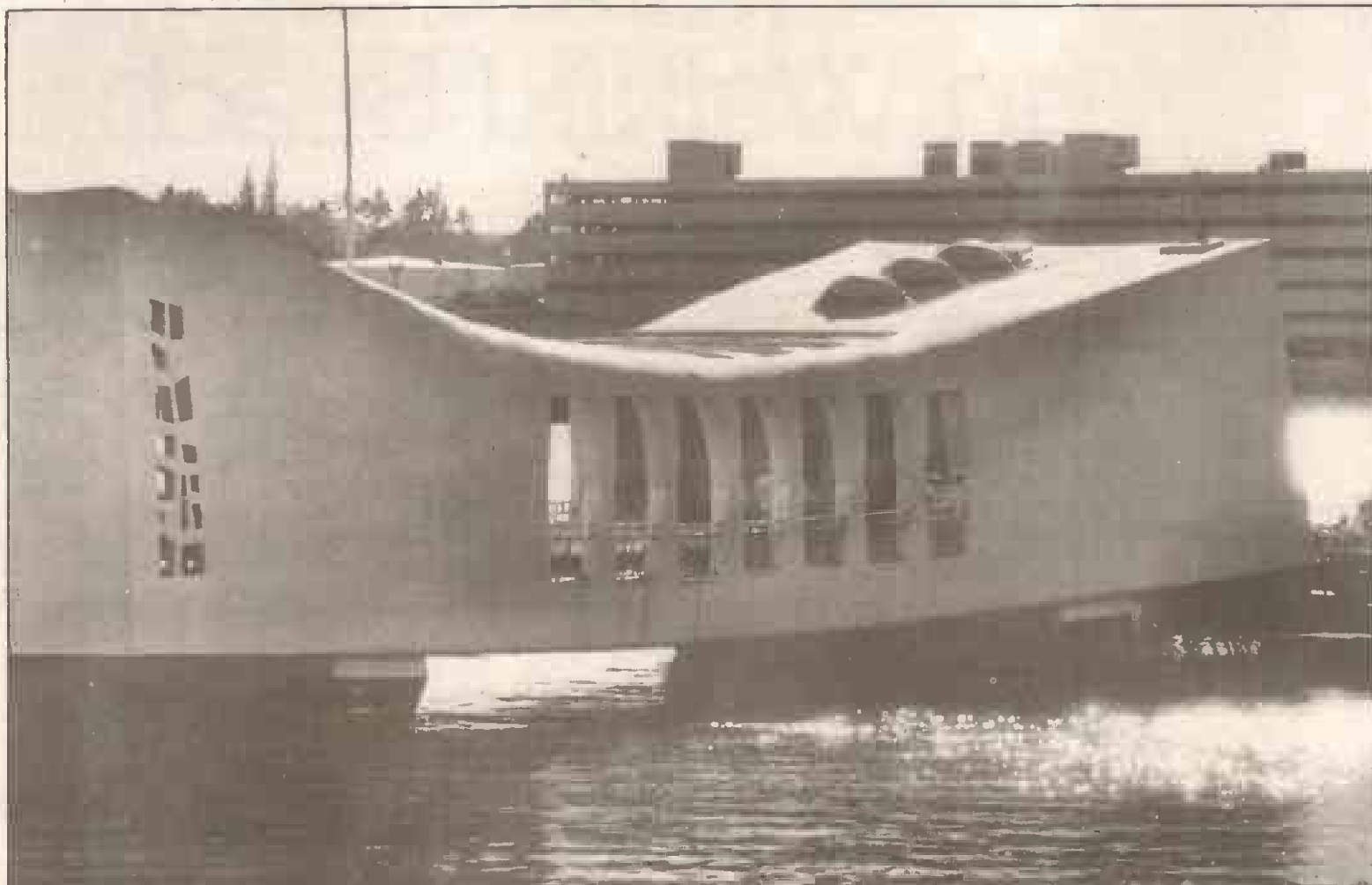
Preliminary plans for the USS Arizona Memorial's commemoration of the 50th anniversary of the attack on Pearl Harbor were announced recently by the National Park Service.

Superintendent Don Magee said the plans encompass a variety of programs to commence on Wednesday, Dec. 4, and culminating on the 50th anniversary date of Saturday, Dec. 7, 1991.

"Our wish is to extend a tribute to those who died here and to the returning survivors and relatives of victims, and to provide a dignified commemoration that will inspire all Americans and people everywhere," Magee said.

The U.S. Navy is developing plans for the commemoration program aboard the USS Arizona Memorial on Saturday morning, Dec. 7. Those plans will be announced at a later date.

The National Park Service plans are for daily programs on three days immediately preceding See page 35



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Program will focus on Dec. 7 deaths

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the anniversary date, and for Saturday afternoon, Dec. 7.

Throughout the week, Magee said the USS Arizona Memorial will extend special consideration to USS Arizona and Pearl Harbor survivors and to relatives of the 2,403 U.S. servicemen and civilians who perished here that day a half-century ago. This means that members of these groups will be given preferential seating on shuttle boats departing for the

Memorial.

"We know that other visitors will accept and support these arrangements in behalf of survivors and family members," Magee said.

Shuttle boats operating at 15-minute intervals carry 150 visitors at a time to the Memorial, which straddles the sunken remains of the battleship Arizona. The shuttles normally operate first-come, first-served from 8 a.m. until 3 p.m.

Here is the National Park Service's tentative

schedule of events for the USS Arizona Memorial and Visitor Center:

Wednesday, Dec. 4 — Hawaii Remembrance Day, in honor of the approximately 60 civilians who perished during the Japanese attack on Dec. 7, 1941.

Special guests will be members of the victims' families. The 1 p.m. program at the Visitor Center will feature a concert by the Royal Hawaiian Band, with Gov. John Walhee, Sen. Daniel Inouye and Honolulu Mayor Frank

Fasi as speakers.

Thursday, Dec. 5 — Survivors' Day. Gov. Fife Symington of the state of Arizona has been invited to be master of ceremonies at a 1 p.m. program that will include four distinguished speakers with close and unusual ties to the battleship and to Pearl Harbor.

They include Franklin Van Valkenburgh of San Diego, son of the commanding officer of the USS Arizona. The captain, also named Franklin Van Valkenburgh, was

killed during the attack.

Friday, Dec. 6 — Reflections Day. Director James Ridenour of the National Park Service is scheduled to preside at a special 1 p.m. program for which former CBS newsmen Walter Cronkite and several other distinguished Americans have been invited as speakers.

Saturday, Dec. 7 — Pearl Harbor Day. The Honolulu Symphony Orchestra will provide a special concert from the lanai of the Memorial Visitor Center. Details for the

concert and for other possible activities this day will be announced later.

All programs and activities will be free and open to the public, except that the Saturday morning commemoration program at the Memorial will be by invitation. For all other functions and programs, Superintendent Magee emphasized that National Park Service rangers will make every effort to extend special consideration to survivors and relatives of victims.

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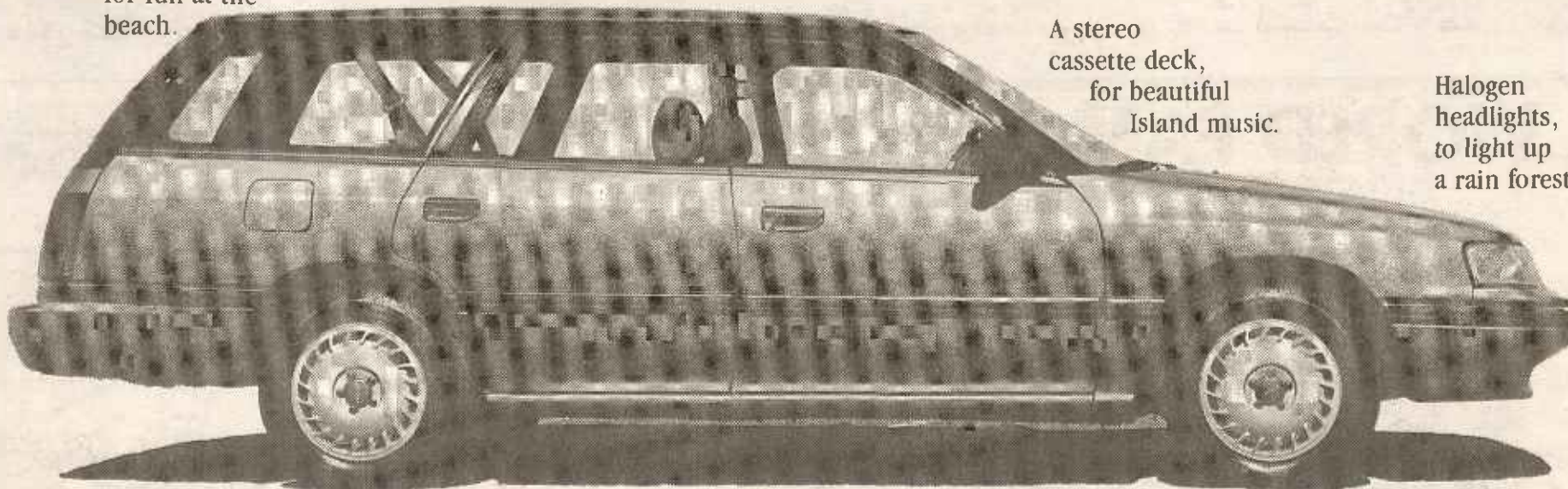
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Co-signing can cause big trouble

By EVELYN D. HARRIS
American Forces Information Services

Co-signing a car loan for a friend or relative may seem like a small favor, but it could mean big trouble.

"Co-signing a loan is more than just signing your name so that someone can get a car. It means you'll pay the loan if the other person defaults," warned Capt. Jessica Kole, of the Army's Legal Assistance Office in the Pentagon.

Even if your friend doesn't default, Kole said, co-signing has other drawbacks. The credit bureau will carry the amount of the friend's loan as an obligation on your credit report. This could make it more difficult to get a mortgage or other large loan for yourself.

"Furthermore, if your friend misses a payment, the lender has the right to demand that you pay the money, plus late fees, without first tracking down the real borrower. You would have to track him down yourself," she added. "If the loan is from a bank where you also have an account, the bank may be

able to withdraw the payment from your account without notifying you. This could result in your overdrawing your own account, resulting in bad check charges and damage to your credit rating."

To make matters worse, if the lender sues to collect money, you could be responsible for attorney's fees in addition to loss of your own savings to pay the debt, she explained.

Before you decide to co-sign, Kole suggested asking the following questions:

- Can you afford to pay if your friend or relative defaults?

- Do you have to pledge property — your car or home — to secure the loan, remembering you could lose both in the event of a default?

- Does the agreement specify the amount of money you could be liable for, or does it say you must also pay late charges, court costs and fees?

The Soldiers' and Sailors' Civil Relief Act protects reservists who co-

signed loans and then were called to active duty, say, in support of Operations Desert Shield/Storm, Kole added. In that case, members are entitled to the act's 6 percent interest cap and stay of legal proceedings for up to three months after their active duty is completed.

The relief act doesn't protect service members who sign or co-sign contracts while on active duty. Therefore, she warned, go over the contract carefully before agreeing to co-sign.



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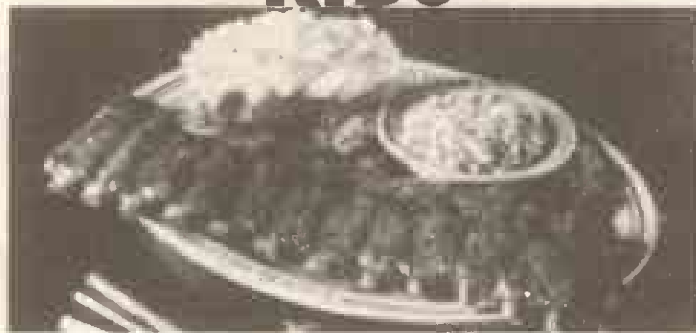
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Early retirements easing officer cuts

Army personnel officials hope to lessen the impact of a probable involuntary officer reduction next year by making it easier for them to leave the service now.

Cuts in the Army's fiscal 1992 and 1993 budgets will reduce the number of officers in the active Army from the current level of 104,521 to 95,481 by the end of next year and to 89,468 by the end of fiscal 1993.

To encourage more officers to leave voluntarily, officials at the Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff for Personnel have opened this year's Voluntary Early Release/Retirement Program to most warrant officers, and have waived up to one year of the three-year time in grade requirement for retiring colonels and lieutenant colonels. With the changes, the officials expect as many as 1,000 officers to apply for early separation or retirement, up from 669 last year.

"Every person who voluntarily separates now will reduce the involuntary separations that may be required later," said Maj. Daniel Schwab of the Pentagon's officer personnel policy division.

While no final decision has been made yet concerning involuntary officer reductions, personnel officials indicated the cuts could begin as early as fiscal 1992.

Officers eligible to apply for voluntary early release or retirement this year are:

- First lieutenants one-time nonselected to captain;
- Year group 1988 first lieutenants;
- First lieutenants and captains with less than one year remaining active duty service obligation (ADSO);
- Promotable first lieutenants and higher, with non-statutory ADSO;

• Lieutenant colonels and colonels with between years time-in-grade for retirement. Based on specific statutory constraints, early retirement is limited to 85 colonels, and 206 lieutenant colonels. Details concerning specific justification and subsequent board review have been announced via worldwide message;

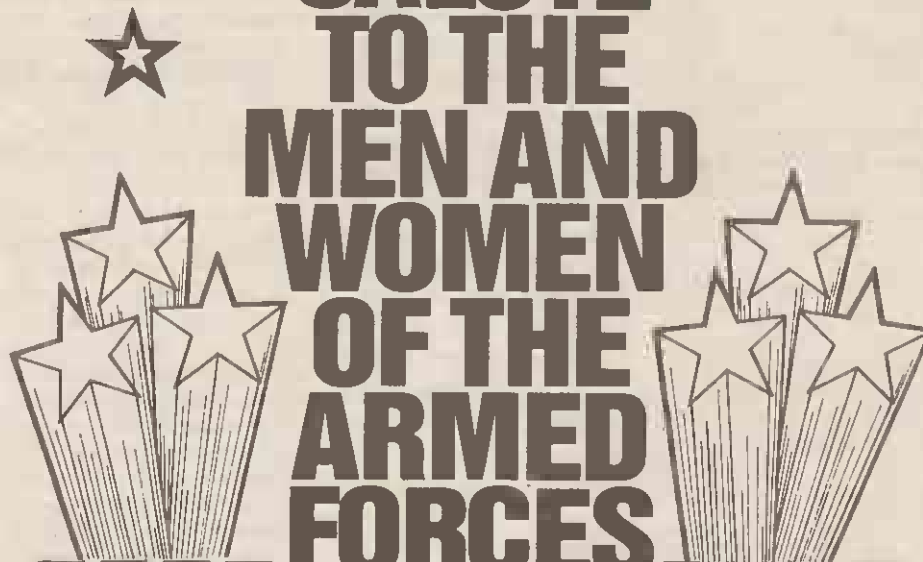
• Officers with between eight and 10 years active federal commissioned service if otherwise eligible to retire; and

• Warrant officers, except those with AMEDD specialties.

Schwab said officers who retire early will receive full retirement benefits.

Applications for early retirement or release must be received at PERSCOM, through the officers' chain of command, by May 29. Separation or retirement dates must be between June 30 and Sept. 30.

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Shafter officer wins MacArthur award

By BILL MCPHERSON
Army

A company commander at Fort Shafter's 1116th Signal Battalion has won the 1990 Gen. Douglas MacArthur Leadership Award for the U.S. Army Information Systems Command.

"Captain Jamie Holcombe has provided absolutely outstanding leadership as commander of Headquarters and A Company," said Col. Patrick J. McWherter, 1106th Signal Brigade's commander. McWherter nominated Holcombe for the award.

"He is one of those rare, well-rounded junior officers who can successfully juggle the whole spectrum of military command — mission, resources and people — and not only give his battalion and brigade commanders the desired results, but also give us improvements in those areas," McWherter added.

"There are an awful lot of other Army officers who deserve to be recognized for their effective leadership," said Holcombe, who expressed surprise and pleasure at being selected for the MacArthur award. "I've been very lucky to have the opportunity to be a company commander, and I'm just trying to do the best job I can."

As for his philosophy for successful leadership, Holcombe said, "I think the most important ingredient is sincerity. You have to truly care about your soldiers, your civil-

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— Col. Patrick J. McWherter,
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Brigade commander

ians and excelling in your missions. If you show that you do care and act on it, everything falls into place with military precision."

Holcombe's boss, Lt. Col. Ronald Boykin, who commands Fort Shafter's 1116th Signal Battalion, said the junior officer's leadership extends to the families of people assigned to his company and to the local community.

"Throughout Operation Desert Storm, Captain Holcombe has maintained regular contact with the families of his three soldiers assigned to Saudi Arabia, as well as with the soldiers themselves, keeping them all fully informed and helping with domestic concerns," Boykin said.

"In another area, he has fully supported one of his Army wives' programs for

disabled folks," Boykin continued. "For the past two years, Jamie has personally carried the banner that has led the Power Over Disability Wheelchair Brigade in Honolulu's Great Aloha Run."

Boykin added that Holcombe and his wife, Janet, regularly serve as huggers at the Special Olympics in Honolulu, and they teach religious instruction, serve as chaperones and counsel teenagers from their church. In his off-duty hours, Holcombe teaches college-level computer courses to night students at Chaminade College and Hawaii Pacific University.

McWherter's nomination of Holcombe for the MacArthur award cited him for consolidating operations at Fort Shafter's Telecommunications Center, Reproduction Center and Emergency Action Console facility, which resulted in annual savings of \$189,000 and for starting a new, local Common Task Training program for his soldiers. The program was so successful that it was adopted by other companies.

The nomination also commended Holcombe for researching and writing the award-winning submission of one of his employees for the 1990-91 Secretary of the Army's Equal Employment Opportunity Achievement Award. Ronald Yasui, chief of the Fort Shafter Reproduction Center, received that award last November at a Pentagon ceremony.

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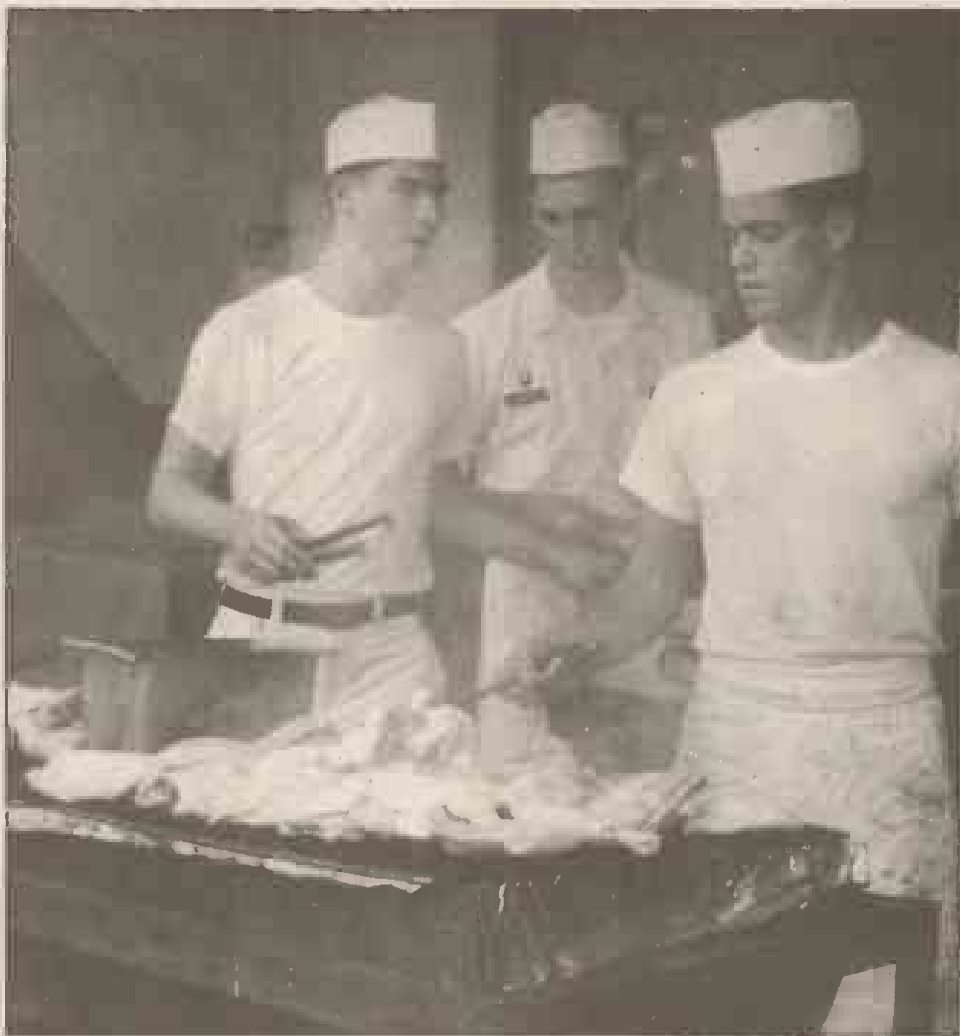


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By **TIM DOWNEY**
American Forces Information Service

When Reserve and Guard duty called about 10,000 federal civilian employees to Operations Desert Shield and Desert Storm, a special DoD network helped pick up the slack to fill their jobs until their return.

Filling slots with people who could "hit the ground running" would be a tall order for most organizations, but not the Defense Manpower Data Center. Margaret Lazanoff, mobilization project officer with the center's West Coast office in Monterey, Calif., said her people developed a simple solution to a complex problem.

"We automated an existing system that has been in effect for three years, but was cumbersome and time-consuming to use," she said. "Instead of having personnel specialists at civilian personnel offices wade through the lengthy annual 'DoD Retiree Assets' report, we developed a computerized on-line system that permits personnel offices to quickly search, cross-reference and find vital information."

That annual report lists retired DoD personnel living within commuting distance usually 50 miles or less of a civilian personnel office.

The center's on-line interactive query system has received much praise from those who have used it, said Lazanoff. "The Civilian Mobilization Network, or CMN as we refer to it,

"...we developed a computerized on-line system that permits personnel offices to quickly search, cross-reference and find vital information."

—Margaret Lazanoff,
mobilization project officer

enhances their ability to fill vacancies in critical job areas. It provides a sizable pool of names and addresses of retired military and civilian employees and their occupational area of expertise," she said.

Say a DoD activity needs a contract management specialist in San Diego. The servicing personnel office enters the data center's network and a few key strokes later enters the desired civilian occupational code and search area. The personnel office can screen the entire United States if that's what it takes to produce an acceptable list of candidates.

"We can give candidate information such as age, years since retirement and whether the individual served as a civilian or in the military," said Lazanoff. "The system simply permits our personnel offices much more flexibility in selecting potential retiree assets to fill specific occupational vacancies."

Only specific pools of people are in the network data base. "Retired military are strictly Category 3, those aged 61 to 75 or disability retirees under age 76. We don't include other categories for military service because they might be subject to a call-

up in a mobilization. All the retired DoD civilian population is included, however," she said.

President George Bush ordered only a partial call-up, about 175,000 reservists and guardsmen, during the gulf crisis.

"DoD planners have known all along that in the event of a mobilization, people leaving their civilian positions would need to be replaced temporarily. DoD civilian personnel offices need qualified candidates, names and addresses, if you will, who might be willing to fill these positions," Lazanoff said.

Each military service has its own, slightly different procedures about how it contacts the retirees. Lazanoff stressed that retiree names and address data are subject to the Privacy Act of 1974. The manpower data center lists are for mobilization planning purposes only, she said, and for official use only.

For more information about the Civilian Mobilization Network, contact Lazanoff or Mike Dove at Autovon 878-2951, or commercial 1-408-655-0400. The Marine Corps and Navy contacts and their Autovon numbers are, respectively: Gwen Fleming, Marine Corps - 224-5624; Dale Piper, Navy - 289-8557.

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By SSGT. SARALYNNE STANDLEY
Army

She's trim, sleek and the pride of all who serve with her. And though you wouldn't know it to look at her, she's Army through and through. She's the U.S. Army Vessel Maj. Gen. Charles P. Gross (Logistic Support Vessel-5), the newest ship in the Army's Hawaii fleet.

As the name implies, the Army has five 273-foot-long LSVs, which have big, open decks for transporting vehicles and equipment. Housing 29 crew members each, two LSVs are at Fort Eustis, Va.; one is in Seattle, Wash. And with the brand-new Gross joining the USAV CW3 Harold C. Clinger (LSV-2), Oahu is the home of the other two.

The Gross recently completed her maiden voyage from Halper Marine Shipyard at Moss Point, Mississippi, to Oahu. Her crew flew to Mississippi in late November to prepare the ship for the long trip.

Being straight from the shop, the Gross had no supplies or tools aboard, only the built-in equipment, said Spec. David Diaz, a watercraft engineer in the crew.

"We got on board and started finding little errors here and there, and got them corrected" Diaz said. "And we loaded her up with all the books, linens and supplies we needed, as well as extra equipment — bolts, nuts, parts for the engines."

He explained that the ship has to be self-contained, so that if anything

goes wrong on a voyage, the problem can be fixed while underway.

During the four-week preparation phase in Mississippi, the crew was also trained on the different pieces of equipment that the vessel contains. With so few LSVs in the Army, many of the crew members had never sailed on this type ship before.

Christmas was spent aboard the Gross, still at the dock in Mississippi. The ship's cooks prepared the holiday meal, and some parents of crewmembers came to visit.

Finally, three days later, the Gross and her crew set sail for a voyage of exotic sights and 40 days of getting to know each other real well. Cruising south, the ship proceeded through the Caribbean Sea to the Atlantic Ocean entrance of the Panama Canal.

"When we go into a port, we usually stay three or four days," said Pfc. Carrie Ray, a watercraft operator aboard the LSV-5. "We load food and fuel, and we have a little bit of liberty, so we can see what country or city we're in. I've never been in a foreign country before, so Panama was really different."

Passing through the canal, the Gross moved north, hugging the coastline of Central America, Mexico and the Baja Peninsula.

After a portcall at San Diego, Calif., for refueling and supplies, the LSV-5 continued to Oahu, where she arrived Feb. 6. The Gross and her crew

received a warm welcome from their home unit, the 5th Transportation Company (LSV Support), 124th Transportation Battalion, 45th Support Group.

After some time off for the crew to rest up and regain their land-legs, the vessel was commissioned, March 5, and the 163rd Transportation Detachment (LSV-5) was activated.

Two daughters and a nephew of Maj. Gen. Charles P. Gross, who was the Army's first chief of transportation, were on hand to view the commissioning.



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The U.S. Army vessel Gen. Charles P. Gross awaits its next mission at her Ford Island dock.

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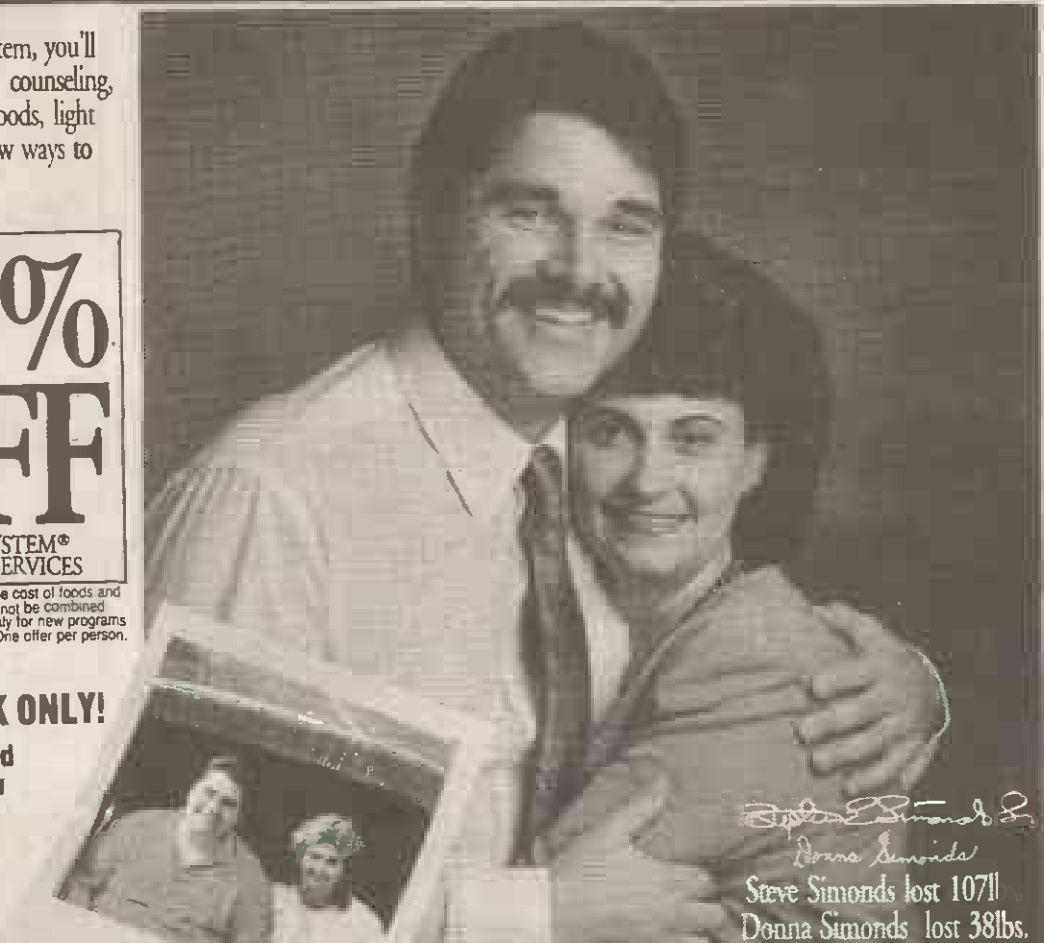
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By SSGT. SARALYNNE STANDLEY
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In a small mess hall, soldiers are enjoying dinner and joking good-naturedly together. One soldier walks in, sets his tray on the table and crosses the room for some juice. After two steps, he suddenly whirls and lunges in desperation for his tray. But he's too late; the tray flies off the table and clatters to the floor.

This scene wasn't caused by some spooky, other-worldly power. It was caused by the same thing that makes stone-sober soldiers wobble and swerve like a groom after his bachelor party — motion.

And the motion is aboard the U.S. Army Vessels CW3 Harold C. Clinger and Maj. Gen. Charles P. Gross. The ships are berthed at Ford Island and belong to the 5th Transportation Company, 124th Transportation Battalion, of the 45th Support Group.

"When we sail on calm seas, it's very nice," said Sgt. Charles Travis, former Clinger mess sergeant. "When I tell people I'm going sailing, they think I'm going on a sail boat, but I'm really going to work. It's nice, because we get to do our Army job and also sail on the seas."

But even when the seas are calm — or when the ship is still at dock, sea legs apparently take time to develop. Pfc. Carrie Ray, of the Gross, said she was the "first casualty" of a flying food tray, before the Gross even began its maiden voyage from Mississippi to Oahu in December.

"We weren't even mov-

ing, but I was rocking. I don't know what it was, but it all just went everywhere!" she laughed.

The rolling ship affects other normally simple things of life, too. "Sleeping is a little difficult when you're rocking back and forth," said Spec. David Diaz, a watercraft engineer on the Gross. "And taking a shower is pretty weird, too, because you're used to using both hands. On board, one hand's holding on (to the handrail) while the other's washing off."

"It's not a routine job, like in the infantry field," said Spec. Chuck Latimer, when he was a Clinger cook. "We have to have enough food for the trip. And we have to check the food in cold storage every hour. Because if something spoils out at sea, there's not a 7-11 we can run to. We'd just have to wait until we got to the next port, which could be another two or three weeks."

Cooking isn't the only thing cooks do, onboard. "We're trained to operate some equipment on the boat, like bow thrusters, which are engines that maneuver the boat into docking position. We're trained partly as deck hands, too. We have to know how to help out, because you always need a backup in case something happens to someone," Latimer said.

The deck hands are officially called watercraft operators, and they do a bit of almost everything on board. "They have us on the helm, which is steering. We do lookout, paint a lot, tie down the cargo and do normal

cleaning, like you would in a barracks," Ray said.

"I just did my job and hoped we got here," she added after her first ocean voyage, when the crew brought the brand-new Gross to its new home in Pearl Harbor. The Gross arrived in Hawaii waters in February.

"It was long," she said of the 40-day cruise, "but I saw a lot of things I'd never get to see, if I was a civilian. Like the Panama Canal, that was really neat. I've never been to California, so that was something new."

"And just being out in the middle of nowhere was quite the thing, I guess. It's kind of neat knowing there's nobody else around, yet it's scary, lonely."

The crew of a ship gets to know each other very well on a long voyage. But that has its good and bad sides, after a while.

"You get aggravated, because the ship is so small and confined," Diaz said. "But there's a lot of happy times. Keeping morale up is the best thing, trying to stay out of other people's way."

Boredom on the long-haul is eased with studying correspondence courses, playing card and board games and watching videotaped movies, Diaz said. But those don't make up for the toughest lack. "Sometimes you wish there was someone in the family there, so you could hug them," he explained.

"We just have to humor ourselves while we're underway; otherwise, we'd be bouncing off the walls. So we do silly things," Ray said.

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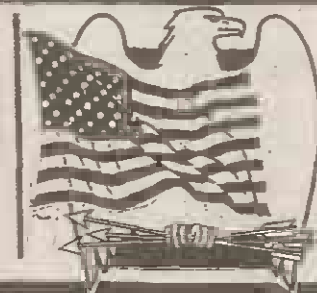
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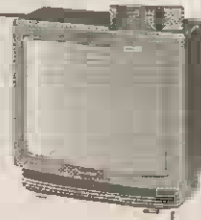
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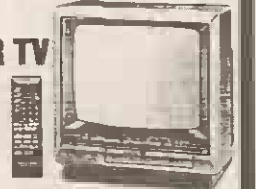


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Sgt. 1st Class Denton Basil of the 21st Infantry stops for a breather while learning to ski as one of 400 Schofield soldiers taking part in exercise Northwind '91.

Japan greets soldiers warmly for Northwind

By 1ST LT. CHRIS MCMANUS
and 2ND LT. STEVE BRAY
Army

While the winds of war swept the sands of the Middle East, another sort of wind swept the snow-covered, northern Far East. And into this frigid environment came the soldiers from the 3rd Battalion, 21st Infantry Regiment "Gimlets" and their fire support teams from the 7th Battalion, 8th Field Artillery Regiment "Red Dragons."

More than 400 soldiers from the 25th Infantry Division (Light) deployed to the island of Hokkaido, Japan, Feb. 12 to March 12, to train in exercise Northwind '91. The annual bilateral training exercise allows soldiers from the U.S. Army and the Japanese Ground Self

Defense Force to come together on the chilly Japanese island.

Even though the temperature was on the frigid side, the "Tropic Lightning" troops still took Hokkaido by storm. Under the instruction of the 10th Regiment, Japanese Ground Defense Force and U.S. 19th Special Forces Group, Utah Army National Guard, the Gimlets adapted rapidly, a characteristic of the light infantry.

The infantrymen learning to walk in snowshoes, eventually mastering the skill enough to run wind-sprints across frozen tundra. The Gimlets learned to travel on skis. They skied down Mount Takikawa and later learned skijoring, where a

track vehicle pulls about 20 soldiers on skjes.

While the Gimlets were perfecting their ability to travel over snow, the Red Dragons practiced directing cannon, rocket and missile fire to support the infantrymen's movement in cold weather. Using simulated and live-fire exercises, the artillerymen honed their skills.

Throughout the deployment, the Japanese soldiers of the 10th Regiment provided homestay visits for every Gimlet on the deployment. The soldiers were allowed to sample Japanese cuisine and customs in the town of Hokkaido. The U.S. soldiers ate raw fish and raw snail and sampled the Japanese delicacies of fish heads and pickled cherries.

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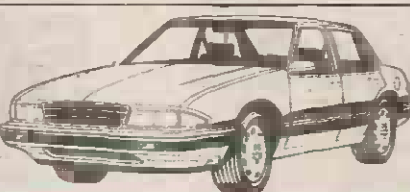
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Task Force Taro leader moving up

By CHRIS OLIVER
Sun Press

KANEOHE — When John Admire joined the Marines in 1965, he was looking for a way to beat the draft. He found, instead, a lifestyle he loved,

a rise through the ranks to brigadier general and a hero's welcome home as commander of Task Force Taro, the troops who led the ground assault into Kuwait.

"When I left college,

joining the Marines was something I never even considered," said Admire. "Because of the draft, I found something I truly love. I can't envision what I'd have done with my life if I hadn't joined the Ma-

rine Corps."

Nothing about Admire quite fits the elite, macho image that Marines project. Soft-spoken, with a master's degree in journalism and a weakness for country-and-western music, the man who considered sportswriting as a career is happy to be home, especially with so few casualties.

"War is a tragedy, a miscalculation and misunderstanding," he said. "A military victory is only

the means to an end. The true end is peace. We fight not to win but to secure the peace."

For Admire, part of securing the peace meant training Arab soldiers, some of whom had never seen active combat, into a coalition force strong enough to win the Battle of Khafji.

Quick to credit their courage and resolve, Admire described living and working with the Arabs as "a unique experience.

"It gave us a chance to get to know our Arab brothers better," he said. "We may have taught them fundamentals of combat, but we had a lot to learn in terms of desert navigation and survival, and they were the experts. Winning the Battle of Khafji had an incredible effect on their confidence and morale."

As the military enjoys a similar boost to its own self-esteem, Admire com-

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Col. John Admire, commander of Task Force Taro during Operation Desert Storm, explains his philosophy during a recent interview.

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Admire promoted to brigadier general

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mented on his relief in January to learn that anti-war protests in America, though tolerated, found no groundswell of support.

"Even 10,000 miles away, we could sense the support for the war, for the president, for our national policy to liberate Kuwait," he said. "For those of us old enough to have experienced Vietnam, it was something new."

Something else new for Admire and his troops was the living conditions they had to endure. "Hawaii Marines train in many places," he said, "but I don't think any of us were prepared for the Saudi Arabian desert in August — the desert winds, 120 degrees in the shade, sand, grit, miserable filth and no water to keep clean."

"We were so far north there was no PX. All I could think of in Hawaii was the greenness."

When he did take a break, Admire wrote letters to his favorite pen pals, Nigel and Vanessa Earle, ages 3 and 4, the children of close friends back in Kaneohe.

For them, the desert came alive with tales of a camel named Carmen, who ate peanut butter straight from the jar, and

Nigelessa, the desert fox of indeterminate sex with a liking for nachos.

Sadly, the Earles will soon lose their friend and hero. While Admire looks forward to promotion to brigadier general, his one regret is that it will mean leaving Hawaii.

"This is a great place to be stationed," he said. "The people here are fantastic. We chose the name Taro to tie us to the community here. We wanted to represent them in the best way we could."

Now that the job is done, Admire supports Bush's withdrawal from the Middle East, firmly believing the initiative for settling the Kurdish refugee problem should be taken by the Arab countries.

"Every objective and United Nations resolution was achieved. The Kurdish situation is tough, but I don't believe it's our responsibility at this time to wage war for the Kurds."

"We could and are doing everything we can on a humanitarian basis to alleviate their suffering, but we can't become embroiled in every conflict in the Middle East."

Asked about the conflict with the press over censoring events that could have altered public opinion about the war, Admire said members of

the press pool lived and traveled with his men throughout the campaign, spending weeks at a time with them "enduring the same miserable meals and cold nights."

"They sensed it would be disadvantageous to report certain things that could jeopardize missions or tasks," he said. "By free will, they censored themselves."

Admire thought complaints came from reporters who stayed in Riyadh in hotels and took hot showers. "When they did show up and wanted information," said Admire, "we weren't real excited to have them along."

Despite the success of Desert Storm, it hasn't prevented the Bush administration from making significant cuts in the Pentagon budget, a move that Admire supports. He rebuts any suggestion of the war being used to increase the military's budget.

"We were already committed to reducing the military prior to going to war," he said. "The Cold War is over, and because of that there should be a reduction in the military."

"Although freedom is a No. 1 priority, I'd like to see more federal funds going toward other things — like education."

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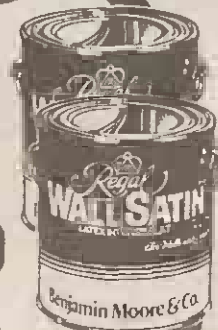
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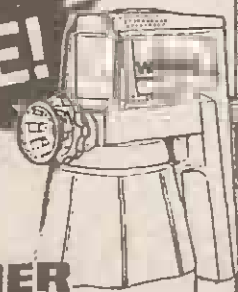
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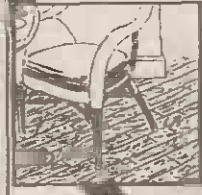
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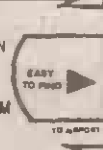
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By SRA DEBRA L. SHAVER
Air Force

TSgt. Rick Bloom, non-commissioned officer in charge of information security at Hickam, was recently named the Pacific Air Forces NCO of the Year. He attributed winning the award to several factors, including professional military education.

"My career really didn't go anywhere until I took a personal interest in it," Sergeant Bloom explained. "PME taught me short-term and long-term goal setting. If you're really interested in success, you have to plan for it — knock it out quarter by quarter."

One of his short-term goals was education. Sergeant Bloom completed 43 semester hours in 1990, finishing two college degrees. He received an associate degree in industrial security and a bachelor of general studies degree with honors. He also completed the first sergeant correspondence

course and is currently enrolled in the Crime Prevention Extension Course Institute program.

His accolades in 1990 include the PACAF Lance P. Sijan Leadership Award, Air Force Hawaii Outstanding NCO of the Year, 15th Air Base Wing Outstanding NCO of the Year, Hickam Air Force Base Outstanding NCO of the Quarter, 15th ABW Information Security Manager of the Year, 15th Security Police Squadron Outstanding NCO of the Year, Base Honor Guard Outstanding NCO of the Quarter for two quarters and Base Honor Guard Outstanding NCO of the Year.

Sergeant Bloom attributes much of his success to unit support. "My supervisor gives me the latitude to effectively do my job, enables me to participate on the base honor guard and also pursue an education," he said. "A lot of supervisors keep their people on a short leash. People won't grow unless

given the opportunity to pursue their goals."

He also feels the importance of giving credit to the people he works with. "In my career field, success is achieved through group effort," he said. "It takes a team who works well together to form the whole picture. I have a lot of good people around me."

Sergeant Bloom's long-term goals include finishing his master's degree and possibly a PhD. "If I'm going to be in the service for 20 years, I want something to show for it. The military offers fantastic educational benefits, so I would feel guilty if I didn't take full advantage of them."

His hobbies include collecting baseball and football cards and sports memorabilia. "It keeps me out of trouble," he joked.

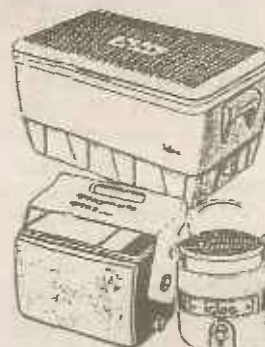
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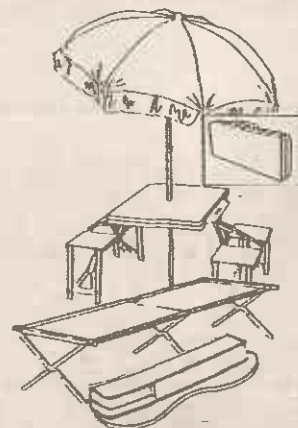
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Gimlets clean up 'Rainbow Bridge'

BY SGT. PRINCE JACKSON IV
Army

Some Gimlet soldiers cleaned up their act recently in Haleiwa. The 1st Platoon of Company B, 1st Battalion, 21st Infantry Regiment celebrated the 70th birthday of the Anahulu Stream Bridge by cleaning the 25-foot high, 100-foot long structure.

The historical bridge is part of the road that circles Oahu, overpassing the Anahulu Stream, which divides the town of Haleiwa. The cream-colored, two-lane bridge is commonly called the "Rainbow Bridge," because of its arches.

"What bridge?" asked Spec. Daryl Buckner, upon first hearing that he and the rest of the platoon had been tasked for the clean-up.

Buckner, one of two trained lifeguards in the platoon who can provide first aid to a drowning victim, said he didn't understand why his platoon was chosen for the mission. Then he learned more about the bridge.

"I don't mind helping,

now that I know the bridge is part of the Hawaiian community. We all work together."

Because of its height, cleaning the upper half of the landmark was difficult for the troops. Without the proper lifting equipment, it was unsafe for the platoon to clean the high, rainbow-shaped arches. Therefore, most of the cleaning was on the street-level portion of the bridge.

The soldiers used scrub brushes and cleaning solutions, and were helped by two people from Waimea Falls Park, who provided a water pump and water hose for wetting and rinsing the bridge.

"Cleaning the bridge with just scrub brushes was a lot tougher for the troops than what they originally thought it would be," said 1st Lt. Michael Lindsey, officer in charge of the platoon.

"The wonderful bridge on Kamehameha Highway is a part of the circle island route that thousands of motorists travel each year," said Beth



Photo by Sgt. Prince Jackson IV

Soldiers of the 21st Infantry Regiment help Haleiwa's celebration of Anahulu Stream Bridge's 70th "birthday" by volunteering to clean the historic landmark. The bridge is called "Rainbow Bridge" because of its arcing supports.

Watkins, a member of the Haleiwa Main Street Organization, which sponsored the bridge-cleaning celebration.

Many of the drivers, who cautiously passed through the narrow lanes while the soldiers were at

work, shouted words of gratitude and encouragement to the volunteers.

The soldiers were also treated to a free lunch at the Chart House Restaurant, located next to the Anahulu Stream Bridge. The Chart House opened

its doors to the troops, despite being closed to the general public because of the island-wide electric power outage. The soldiers were served hamburgers from the restaurant's gas grills, chips and salad.

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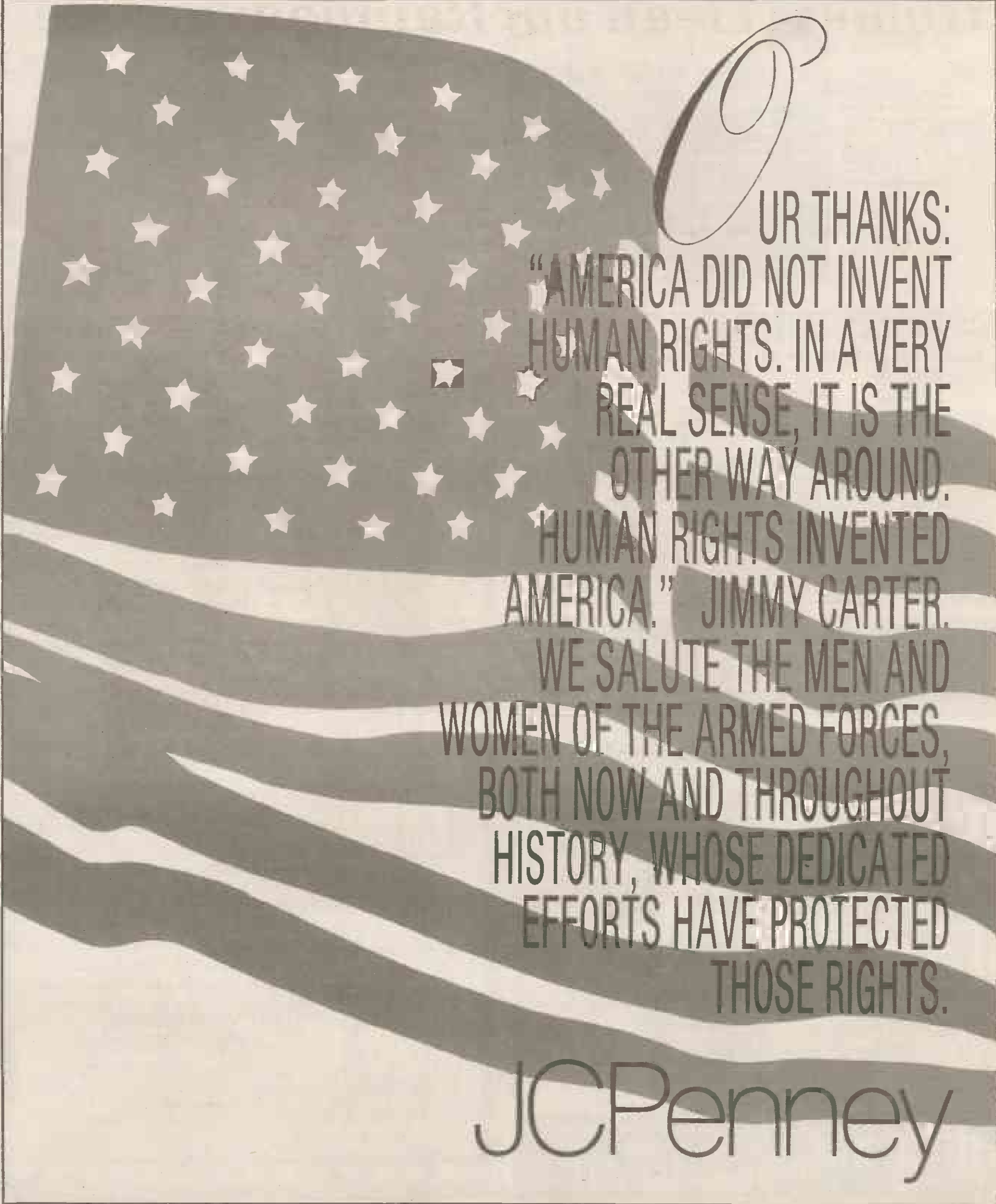
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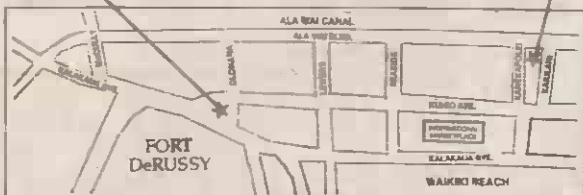
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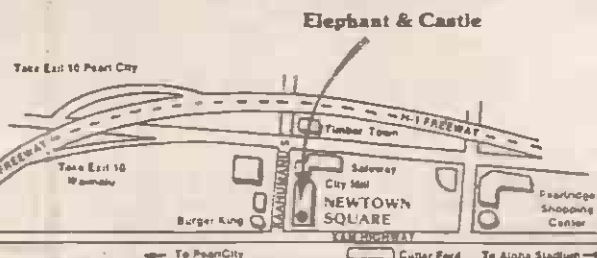
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By JOY LINDA WILLOUGHBY
Navy

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To participate in the payroll savings plan, Navy members authorize a withdrawal of a specified amount of money per pay period. The withdrawal form is available through local civilian personnel or payroll offices.

"Although it is the most convenient way to do it, you don't have to buy through a payroll savings plan," said the vice chairman of the Navy's 1991 U.S. Savings Bonds campaign, Rear Adm. S. Frank Gallo. "You can purchase bonds over the counter at certain banks or federal reserve banks."

Gallo, also deputy chief of naval personnel and representative for the campaign chairman, Secretary of the Navy H. Lawrence Garrett III said, "There are \$25 bonds available at various banks for a \$12.50 purchase price."

Other denominations available through participating banks are \$75, \$50, \$100, \$200, \$500, \$1,000, \$5,000 and \$10,000. The purchase price of a bond is one-half the face value. In other words, \$50 will buy a \$100 bond, which will reach its full (face) value or maturity in 12 years. The minimum time a bond can be held before redemption is six months, and only the purchase price, plus any interest accumulated would be paid.

"If you hold your bond for five years," said Thelma Jones, administrator for the 1991 Savings Bonds Campaign, "it earns 6 percent interest per year. After that, you start to earn the market-based interest rate, currently 7.19 percent, which changes semi-annually on May 1 and Nov. 1."

Assistant Comptroller of the Navy, Rear Adm. (Sel.) Jack Kavanaugh commented that, "The Treasury Department's bond market fluctuates and is driven by the government's need to borrow money. If the government borrows more, then it pays more for the money; if it borrows less, the market-based index goes down."

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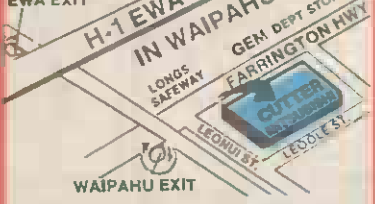
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Cranes raise 'The King' on Ford Island

By L. OZAWA
Navy

Public Works Center's cranes were recently called upon to lift a 48-foot, 37-ton "king post" so it could be welded onto a under way replenishment trainer on Ford Island.

The massive but delicate operation took three

cranes, including PWC's two largest cranes, to lift it up to a standing position, move it some 40 feet, plumb it perfectly above its base, and hold it while welders from Pearl Harbor Ship Intermediate Maintenance Activity welded it in place.

PWC began prepara-

tion for the operation at high tide the night before, when its 40-ton crane was brought over to Ford Island on the Naval Station Ferry. Because the crane itself is so heavy, it could be safely loaded and off-loaded from the ferry at high tide.

Fortunately, PWC's 50-

ton crane and 15-ton crane were already on the island, doing other work.

On the morning of March 7, the cranes first lifted the king post onto a 40-ton tractor-trailer truck, about 70 feet from the trainer site. The truck then positioned the king post about 10 feet from the training structure, where it was off-loaded.

Then the hard part began. While the 40-ton and 50-ton cranes lifted the top of the king post to a vertical position, the 15-ton crane was used to keep the foot of the king post from swinging and sliding underneath. Slowly, but carefully, the king post was then "boomed" or carried vertically 40 feet and positioned over the base to which it was to be welded.

Then, as the 37-ton king post was suspended over its base, it was "plumbed" to be aligned in perfect vertical position, before the welders could attach it to its base. With one crane, plumbing is a fairly quick process, but working with two cranes, the entire process took 12 hours. Success

came at 9 p.m., when the welders finished sealing the king post in place.

It was all in a day's work for Code 726, as the 40-ton crane made its way back to the PWC Transportation Compound, catching the Ford Island ferry at 10 p.m. that night,

again at high tide.

Code 726 workers involved in this triple play were crane operators Raymond Teves, Raymond Kalawe and Gilbert Makua; riggers Francis Martin and Regan Eltagonde and trucker Joseph Aubrey.



photo by CUCM Jones

The King Post for Fleet Training Group's replenishment trainer is lifted into place by three PWC cranes working together.



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An Underwater Replenishment trainer is assembled at Ford Island by Fleet Training Group.

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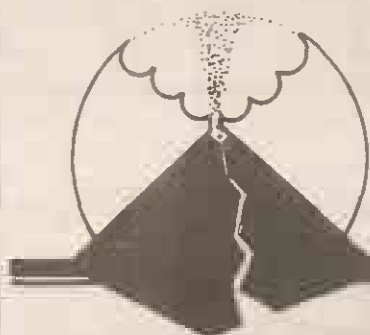
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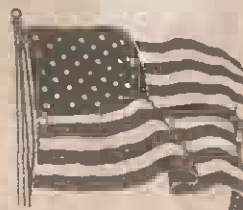
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CIF smoothly supplies Desert Storm soldiers

By 1st Lt. Boyd Hartwig
Army

The mission statement on Robert Corbitt's briefing stand, inside the massive warehouse at the Central Issue Facility, is fairly straightforward. It states that Corbitt is supposed to supply 16,000 soldiers and civilian workers with the right clothing and equipment to do their job.

"Furnish organization clothing and individual equipment support," it reads. There is nothing in there about responding to the countless scenarios created by a war, especially one that will be fought in a desert rather than a jungle.

But that contingency is implied. You have to be ready for anything, when your job is making sure combat soldiers have what they need before they face the enemy.

With only a week-and-a-half notice, Corbitt and his 13 civilian employees responded to just such a challenge, when they equipped more than 300 division soldiers and National Guardsmen sent to duty in the Persian Gulf war. The CIF workers also equipped more than 100 Individual Ready Reserve infantrymen called to active duty to replace gulf-bound soldiers from the 4th Battalion, 27th Infantry Regiment.

What was needed most by the departing soldiers was cold-weather clothing for the frigid nighttime temperatures of the desert. And that's what they got, including long underwear and new Gore-Tex rain gear.

In fact, every soldier who passed through CIF during the months of the war got what he needed, although poncho liners

and some other items had to be requested from the Marine Corps and Army installations in Japan.

The equipment arrived within one week of the time it was requested, said Corbitt, who runs the CIF. He said his workers didn't feel "stressed out" when faced with handing out hundreds of sets of equipment and then taking them back just a few days later — as was the case with the Ready Reservists, who were on the island for only about two weeks before receiving orders ending their Hawaii assignment.

The 60,000-square-foot CIF building has a myriad of equipment that workers distribute based on a soldier's unit assignment and job. The building also has a range of sizes in clothing and boots that seems staggering, even by Army standards.

Finicky soldiers who need the "perfect fit" for jungle boots are not likely to walk away from CIF unhappy; 104 different sizes are in stock at the warehouse.

In all, the facility houses 794 different items, the most expensive being the new Kevlar body-armor vests. They cost \$245 each, and there's one for every member of the 25th Infantry Division (Light).

Corbitt noted that inside the CIF building, there is \$10.5 million worth of equipment. Another \$12.7 million worth of Kevlar helmets, rucksacks, poncho liners and other gear has been issued to Tropic Lighting soldiers.

Of the 31 different "menus" that detail what a soldier will be issued, the list is longest on the menu for an infantry sol-

dier. So it's easy to understand how Corbitt and his crew might have had their nerves frayed by the sudden arrival of more than 100 Ready Reserve infantry soldiers.

But that was not the case, Corbitt pointed out, noting that the soldiers "knew the system" and made the CIF workers' job easy. "They were happy to be here; it rather impressed me," Corbitt said of the soldiers, many of whom came from Ranger battalions and had fought in Grenada and Panama. "Many of them wanted to stay," he added.

Corbitt also praised the soldiers from the 4th Bn., 27th Inf. "Wolfhounds" for their poise as they prepared for deployment to the Persian Gulf. "Good kids. Boy, they were ready to go," he said. "They were up."



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Robert Corbitt, manager of Schofield Barracks' Central Issue Facility, is surrounded by \$10.5 million worth of equipment in a warehouse that covers the equivalent of two football fields.

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Bonnie Hudgin gives her husband, Lance Cpl. Kevin Hudgin, a big hug on his return in March from the Persian Gulf.



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BVC Chief William Irish is "piped out" during a recent ceremony after retiring from the Navy with 26 years of service.

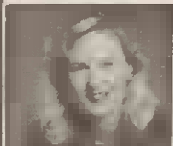
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PACAF names Catalano 1990's top first sergeant

By SSGT. GAYLE ORNONG
Air Force

In 1972, with the Vietnam War in full swing, the 19-year-old junior-college student had few cares in the world besides making passing grades and enjoying the college's nightlife. His mother called one night and told him she had received a letter from the United States Army. Did he want her to forward it? "No," was his hasty response as he headed to an Air Force recruiter's office. When asked if he had received a draft notice, he replied with a straight face, "I haven't seen one yet."

That was 18 years ago and MSgt. Don E. Catalano, now first sergeant of the 15th Mission Support Squadron at Hickam, hasn't looked back since. The highlight of his career came recently with the announcement that he was named the Pacific Air Forces First Sergeant of the Year for 1990.

When he was told he had won the award, his initial reaction was shock. It quickly turned to gratitude as he attributed winning the award to the quality of his unit. "I won this award because I work in an excellent unit with good supervisors who take care of a lot of the problems before they get to me. Their strong leadership gives me time to get involved with other functions and focus on quality programs."

Sergeant Catalano has had a varied and what he considers a satisfying career. From his beginnings as an inventory management specialist in 1972, he has ascended to being selected as the 15th Air Base Wing First Sergeant



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MSgt. Don E. Catalano (left), 15th Mission Support Squadron first sergeant, confers with CMSgt. Les Chambers, 15th Air Base Wing senior enlisted advisor.

of the Year, the Air Force Hawaii Outstanding First Sergeant of the Year, and now the Pacific Air Forces Outstanding First Sergeant of the year for 1990.

Sergeant Catalano was promoted to master sergeant in 1986 under the Stripes for Exceptional Performers program and was recently notified he is a senior master sergeant selectee. His goal is to remain in the Air Force, attain the rank of chief master sergeant, and he hopes one day to become a senior enlisted advisor.

What matters most to the 15th MSSQ's first sergeant is the enlisted corps and setting the example. Sergeant Catalano makes a point to visit squadron personnel frequently and involve himself with issues that concern them. "I've found that if I get out, shake bushes and rattle trees, I make things happen. I've also found that walking around and talking to squadron personnel knocks out some of the problems before they

become serious."

One behavior he doesn't tolerate is passivity. "I don't like being told 'You can't do that because...'. I like being told what can be done. I enjoy getting problems resolved.

"I like involvement, challenges and change," Sergeant Catalano said. He finds all three by being involved with squadron and Air Force programs, youth sport programs and orchestrating numerous squadron fund-raisers.

As a concerned and active member of the community, Sergeant Catalano helped produce family video messages to send to servicemembers deployed to the Gulf during Operation Desert Storm. He was also the focal point for the Thanksgiving and Christmas food-basket collection for the squadron. And, as the master of ceremonies for a recent Muscular Dystrophy Association fundraiser, he helped raise more than \$25,000.

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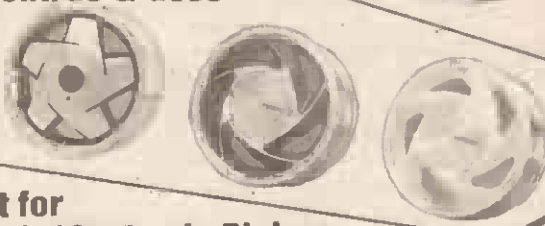
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Army takes aim at 'friendly fire'

Army News Service

The Army is intensifying its search for ways to protect its ground troops from "friendly fire" from above.

Officials at the Army's Communication Electronics Command at Fort Monmouth, N.J., said research on "friend or foe" identification devices for ground equipment is not new, but the changing nature of warfare has raised its priority.

In five confirmed incidents of "friendly" air-to-ground fire during Operation Desert Storm, 24 military personnel were killed and 11 others were wounded.

The Army is establishing a new project office to focus that research into short- and long-term solutions to the problem, which was recently complicated by the advanced weaponry employed by U.S. aircraft.

"Up until the last few years, in most cases ground vehicles were engaged at close ranges so that IFF (identification, friend or foe) was done visually," said Bruce Miller, deputy director of the CECOM's Electronic Warfare/Reconnaissance, Surveillance and Target Acquisition division. "A pilot in an aircraft, before he could drop a bomb or fire a rocket, could see the tank and there was some capability to do visual identification."

Not so today, as the "smart" weapons of 1991 seek out and destroy targets long before they become visible to the human eye. Add to that

"The thrust for ages has been on identifying aircraft so you don't shoot them down."

—Gene Famolari, EWRSTA director

the confusion of close combat on the ground, and the danger to friendly ground forces becomes even more evident.

Solving the problem, however, is more complicated than just equipping ground troops with the same IFF devices U.S. aircraft employ to protect them from American air defense units. The current approach to IFF technology is "question and answer" transmitting. When an air defense weapon on the ground detects an aircraft, the weapon electronically transmits a question: "Friend or foe?" If the plane is equipped with U.S. IFF equipment, it can answer "friend," and the air defense weapon will hold its fire.

But Army researchers say the greatest friendly fire danger to U.S. ground troops is from the air. Entirely new equipment would be required to allow aircraft to pose the "friend or foe" question to equipment on the ground.

"The thrust for ages has been on identifying aircraft so you don't shoot them down," said Gene Famolari, the EWRSTA

director. "The converse of that has not been done. The weapons systems up in the air are not equipped with something to go down and question a ground vehicle, so they have to have new equipment."

The problem poses other challenges. IFF equipment emits electronic signals that can be detected. "You solve one problem with identification to your friends but you end up announcing your presence to your enemies," Famolari said. "So there's a trade-off between the vulnerability of the systems and the protections they offer."

But the overwhelming air superiority enjoyed by coalition air forces in the Persian Gulf war changed all that. During Operation Desert Storm, the only overhead danger to U.S. troops was U.S. aircraft.

"In contingency affairs of the type we just had in Desert Storm, the whole forces-on-forces equation changes dramatically from the European scenario that we might have had to fight five or six years ago," Famolari said.

In the meantime, work on the project continues. "It is intensifying," said Willie Johnson, chief of the EWRSTA combat identification division. "We'll (the new project office) look at what technology is currently available that can be applied immediately, and then come up with some immediate, some intermediate and some long-term solutions."

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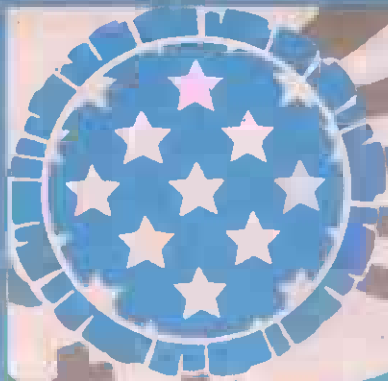
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By SSGT. SARAH L. HOOD
Air Force News Service

WASHINGTON — Several years ago the Air Force set out to be the No. 1 environmental performer in the federal government. All signs now indicate the Air Force has achieved that objective, the Air Force's top environmentalist said.

"I'm extremely pleased with where we are and where we're going," said Gary D. Vest, deputy assistant secretary of the Air Force for environment, safety and occupational health. "However, we've got a lot to do and we'll keep getting better."

Yet, even with public support of the military at an all-time high following the sweeping Middle East victory, the services must remain ever conscious of taking care of the land on and around military installations.

"One of those areas that is becoming higher

and higher in their (the public's) expectations is environmental performance," Mr. Vest said.

And as the country has become more environmentally conscious over the last 20 years, so has the Air Force, he said.

"I think it's very important that we perform and that we convey to everyone the record of that performance. It's a good record."

Performance in the Air Force environmental program focuses on four general areas.

Cleanup of hazardous waste sites created in the past is a primary concern, and good news for the cleanup program came when cleanup funds more than doubled in the past two years.

"Last year our budget just for the cleanup was \$172 million," Mr. Vest said. "This year it jumped to \$435 million. Quite an increase in a budget environment when everything's going down."

Next year more than \$500 million will be allocated. To meet the Air Force's goal of completing cleanup by the year 2000, however, the budget will have to increase to between \$700 million and \$900 million a year by 1994.

Environmental compliance — following existing regulations to the letter — is another high priority for the Air Force, Mr. Vest said. This is the area where Air Force people, blue-suiters, spouses, children and contractors alike, can do the most.

His plea to the Air Force is, "think before you discard."

In other words:

- Think before disposing used oil down the drain.

- Think before throwing paints and solvents in trash cans.

- Think about having cars properly tuned.

"If nothing else, they can just look at what they do every day and ask themselves, 'Am I doing something nega-

tive to the environment or am I actually enhancing environmental quality?'"

The third area focuses on pollution prevention.

An area with the most potential for pollution prevention is reducing hazardous waste materials, Mr. Vest said. That means work in such areas as a search for substitute chemicals for items like cleaning solvents or other materials used on flight lines or in the motor pools.

The fourth area involves cultural change, Mr. Vest said, "which to me underscores what the real thrust of what something like environmental quality has to be. It has to be awareness. It has to be people's behavior. It has to be people's beliefs.

"To really have the kind of quality program and reputation we're striving for, we need to have a culture that understands and appreciates the aspects of environmental quality."



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2nd Lt. James A. Gavrilis awards an Army lapel button to departing reservists who served at Schofield Barracks during the gulf conflict.

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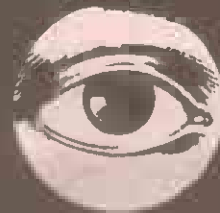
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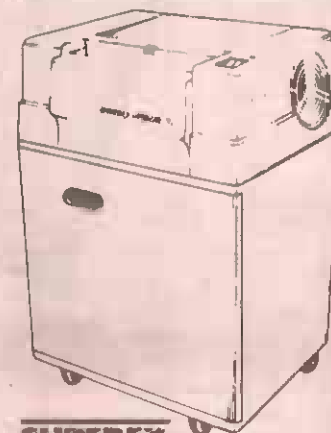
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Schofield unit wins historic second-in-row Toftoy Award

A Schofield Barracks-based unit topped the list in the Missile Command for the second year in a row, in the annual Holger N. Toftoy Award competition.

The Land Combat Support System of the 134th Ordnance Detachment, 7th Maintenance Battalion, 45th Support Group won the award in the best missile test equipment category. The unit was co-winner, last year.

"I checked, and this is the first time the award has ever been won back-to-back by a unit," said CWO 4 Dan Coker, LCSS maintenance technician and shop officer. "The soldiers just decided they were going to win it two years in a row, and they did."

The Toftoy Award was established in 1982 by the Missile Command to recognize units in the U.S. Army that maintain superior missile materiel readiness ratings. The 1990 award covers the period Aug. 16, 1989 through Aug. 15, 1990 for active Army units, and June 16, 1989 through June 15,

1990 for Reserve components.

This is not one of those awards for which soldiers buckle under for a month or so. Evaluation is over the long haul. "It's a year-long competition of readiness reporting, based on our monthly reports," Coker explained.

He said he's very proud of his six-man crew, only one of which was involved in last year's win.

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- Best Fire Support — 4th Battalion, 12th Field Artillery — Lance, Crailsheim, Germany;

- Best Close Combat (Light) — G/VLLD, Dragon, TOW2 HMMWV, Fort Drum, N.Y.;

- Best Rocket System — Battery C, 3rd Battalion, 16th Field Artillery, 8th Infantry Division — MLRS, Baumholder, Germany;

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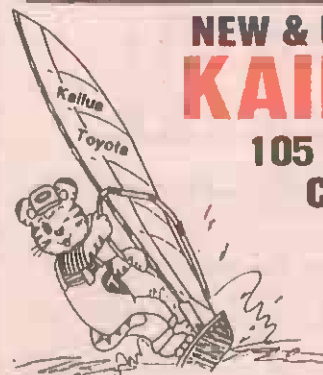
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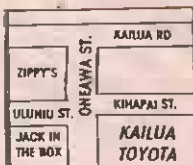
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Allies 'set example' on POWs' treatment

By PETER F. WIGGINTON
American Forces Information Service

In Arabic, it's "Inta Sajeen." In German, it's "Du bist ein Kriegsgefangener." In Vietnamese, it's "Ong la tu binh."

Regardless of the language that says "You are a prisoner," more countries than belong to the United Nations have laws that protect certain rights of soldiers and civilians captured during time of war. Known as the Geneva Conventions, several treaties have formed and expanded these agreements since Red Cross founder Henri Dunant initiated the first negotiation in 1864.

The current code was developed in the four conventions of August 1949. The first deals with military wounded and sick in the field, the second with wounded, sick and shipwrecked members at sea and the third with treatment of prisoners of war. The last addresses protection of civilians.

One significant provision of those conventions pertains to the processing, handling and accountability of prisoners. While some other nations have ignored these requirements, the United States intends to make Desert Storm a model to be followed, said Hayes Parks, chief of the Army's international law team and special assistant to the Army Judge Advocate General.

"The United States and its allies are in full compliance with the prisoner of war convention," Parks said. "We intend to set an example for others to follow in the future. All through the Desert Storm operation, we were very careful to set up the procedures necessary to protect the enemy wounded and sick and soldiers taken into our hands, and to account for them."

Army Lt. Col. Robert Pidgeon, chief of the National Prisoner of War Information Center said coalition member nations processed their own captives. Saudi Arabia agreed with the United States to accept processed captives and hold them in internment camps.

Pidgeon said the 800th Military Police Brigade, an Army reserve unit from Uniondale, N.Y., was re-

"All through the Desert Storm operation, we were very careful to set up the procedures necessary to protect the enemy wounded and sick and soldiers taken into our hands, and to account for them."

—Hayes Park, international law team

sponsible for enemy prisoner-of-war operations in the Desert Storm theater.

"The unit was responsible for accumulating all the data about prisoners and sending it to the Red Cross and maintaining accountability for those prisoners captured by U.S. forces," he said. The brigade's 72-hour processing system was substantially faster than the month or more that was needed during World War II.

Briefly, said Pidgeon, the enemy was captured or surrendered in a forward fighting area. Intelligence representatives were usually on hand to interrogate. Captives were then moved quickly to a transient corps holding area where combat troops transferred custody to guards and returned to the battlefield. From there, prisoners traveled to one of two theater camps for more processing.

Pidgeon said theater-camp staffs provided medical screenings and treatment and gathered information in accordance with the Geneva Conventions. They gave each captive a card to fill in, the right side in Arabic and the left in English. Information required by the convention includes the prisoner's name, rank and serial number. However, some refused to fill in more information, such as next of kin and family address, for fear the Iraqi government would retaliate against their families.

Pidgeon estimated U.S. forces processed about half of perhaps a total 100,000 Iraqis captured. Equally important as accounting for them, "We made sure their general health was OK and comfort items were available," said Pidgeon. "They ate as well as our own troops. They were startled that we were sensitive enough to their needs to provide them with prayer mats. We also had seven advisory teams that visited the Saudi camp daily to make certain of their care. And

the Saudis handed out copies of the Koran."

Col. James Burger, chief of the International Affairs Division in the Army Judge Advocate General's Office, said the International Red Cross has access to prisoners of war at virtually every step of the way and visitation rights to internment camps. "The Red Cross was very high in its praise for the way we've taken care of our prisoners, in contrast to what Baghdad did," he said.

Burger pointed out the third Geneva Convention stipulates that prisoners shall be treated humanely, adequately fed and clothed. They must not be pressured for information beyond the bounds of the convention. They must be quartered away from the field of battle and separated men from women, officers from enlisted. They must be afforded appropriate medical treatment and hygienic facilities, including water and soap. They shall be allowed to engage in physical exercise and enjoy complete latitude in the exercise of their religious beliefs. Any relief supplies mailed to them must be delivered.

Other clauses of the convention stipulate that prisoners not be transferred to a location that would make it more difficult to repatriate them. They are to be given their new postal address to inform their next of kin. Enlisted personnel, who may be required to work, must be paid according to a Swiss franc ration, must be given one day off per week and eight days per year and must not be worked to excess. Officers may not be compelled to work, and non-commissioned officers shall be required to perform only supervisory work. Prisoners shall be returned to their homeland without delay after cessation of active hostilities, unless they request not to be repatriated.

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Marine has racing 'in his blood'

By CPL H.L. SWOPE
Marines

Super-mods, mini-mods and sportsmen begin to "pack track." An announcer drones, "All drivers report to pit shack for your driver's brief."

These are words that are very familiar to one Camp Smith Marine who has had auto racing in his blood since he was a kid...a Marine who says his last race season (1990) here is one he will remember for a long time.

Sgt. Stoney Taylor of Headquarters Service Battalion, Motor Transport Section, came to Camp H.M. Smith in 1988. He was invited to the races by a friend one Saturday night. On the way to the track, Taylor was asked whether he preferred drag or stock racing.

"Drag races are fun, but stock car races are exciting, and I would much rather do something exciting than do something fun," he immediately replied.

Taylor was first introduced to car racing by his father, who has been racing since his son was a little boy.

Growing up in the track pits and working on his father's car, he "got an itch to drive." When he turned 16, he was given that opportunity by his father.

That winter, the father and son team built a 1972 Nova, Sportsman class stock car. For the next three years, the younger Taylor raced at the local track in Hayden, Colo., where he was named "Rookie of the Year" his first year out. Taylor has since competed in a number of races, and has raced the past two seasons in Hawaii.

"I chose to race in the fastest full body class offered in Hawaii, the Super Street Stock Class," said Taylor. "But I had one main problem. I had no car!"

However, his determination helped him to find a way. He heard through the grapevine about a 1968 Camaro for sale. He went to look at the car, and bought it the next day for \$1,200.

The Camaro was well put together and close to race ready. "All it needed was an engine, transmission, drive shaft and a lot of money," said Taylor



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Stoney Taylor takes first place in his Superstreet "66" stock car race at Hawaii Raceway Park.

jokingly. "I believe that to be competitive in car racing you need a 'bullet-proof' engine, and I needed a sponsor to help make my engine bullet-proof, due to the amount of money it would take."

Taylor, again with a stroke of luck, found a sponsor to help with the cost of putting this engine

together. His sponsor flew him and his racer to California and turned them loose in a few selected high-performance shops to get the items they needed.

Along with the "bullet-proof" engine, Taylor said he believes a key factor in racing is a reliable pit crew, which he was also fortunate enough to find.

Together. His sponsor flew him and his racer to California and turned them loose in a few selected high-performance shops to get the items they needed.

Taylor was in second place in the beginning of the 1990 season, which lasted for 40 weeks, until he was involved in a major accident. The car's frame was bent in three places, and the rear-end was knocked almost completely from underneath the car. Basically, the car

was totaled.

The next three weeks were spent on rebuilding the entire car. During those weeks, Taylor was pushed back to seventh place. But when he finally made it back out on the track, he quickly moved back into fourth place.

Throughout the rest of the season, it was a competitive struggle to finish. Taylor finished the season with a close third place. "I am content," Taylor states, "but, not satisfied. I know if I hadn't missed those three weeks, I could have been there at the wire for the championship."

Taylor said he believes the thrill of racing is the excitement of strong competition, and knowing that something you have built from the ground up is competitive with so many other cars. However, his friends will tell you his biggest thrill in racing is not the fact he built the car, but the excitement of his 5-year-old son, Teal.

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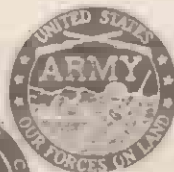
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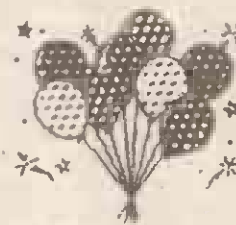
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Army adjusts tours in Hawaii to 3 years

Army News Service

Concern for the professional development of soldiers and the high cost of living in Alaska and Hawaii has prompted the Army to reduce the tour length for most soldiers there to three years.

Prior to March 19, the tour length at most installations in the two states was four years. Soldiers serving in areas with shorter tour lengths such as Fort Greely, Alaska or on the island of Kauai in Hawaii are not affected by the change.

The change was recommended to the Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff for Personnel by U.S. Army Pacific primarily because of the financial hardship encountered by soldiers stationed in the two states. A spokesman at Army Pacific Command headquarters at Fort Shafter, Hawaii, said, "The high cost of living in both areas was a strain on the troops and their families."

Alaska and Hawaii,
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among the highest cost-of-living areas in the country, are considered overseas assignments by the Army.

Army personnel officials said that soldiers who arrived in Alaska or Hawaii for four-year tours on or after Sept. 1, 1990 will now serve only three years.

Tour lengths for soldiers serving four-year stints who arrived before Sept. 1, 1990 "will be incrementally reduced starting in October 1991," according to an April 9 message from the Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff for Personnel.

Exceptions to the new tour length requirements are soldiers who arrived in Alaska or Hawaii prior to Sept. 1, 1990 who have approved voluntary foreign service tour extensions, consecutive overseas tours or in-place consecutive overseas tours. Personnel officials said the DEROS for these soldiers will not be changed.

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Patriotic students join week of celebration

By ELOISE AGUIAR
Sun Press

Central Oahu schools have planned many activities for the upcoming Military Week including a poster display, the Cookie Brigade, speakers and tree planting.

At Aiea Elementary School students will start the observance with speeches from military personnel. The kids will be creating patriotic hats and later be joining a Persian Gulf veteran for lunch at the school.

Aiea High and Hickam Elementary schools are

also planning dining speakers. Aiea has invited armed forces recruiters to the campus for lunch. Hickam students will have moms and dads who are service personnel join them for breakfast.

Kipapa Elementary School students are working on a display of 10,000 Yellow Cranes for Peace and plan to perform a Patriotic dance.

Students will be writing about jobs in the military and being a military child in Hawaii. They will be sending letters to the USS Holt and military

students who have left.

Kipapa kids will also create banners and murals; locate military bases in Hawaii and recognize students whose parents are in the service.

Leilehua High School will hold an assembly/luncheon honoring LHS alumni who have served in the armed forces. Millitani High School will play a volleyball game with its Adopt-a-School unit.

In honor of Military Week, Makalapa Elementary School has planned activities for each grade level. Students will be

making posters and murals; writing letters and journals; and studying about war and peace.

Mokulele Elementary School will have a We Are Family day and sponsor a walk for education. Like many of the schools, it will have a Red, White and Blue day.

Nimitz Elementary School also has plans for all of its grade levels that include a kindergarten parade, luncheon discussions, speakers and essay writing.

Pearl Harbor Elementary is planning to make

banners and posters, sponsor a luncheon for parents and children, and hold a Red, White and Blue day.

Pearl Harbor Kai Elementary School is hosting a breakfast for parents and children.

Wahiawa Elementary School will have a fitness day for games and sports. On May 10, it will ask all military dependents to wear a special ribbon of recognition.

Webbing Elementary School is planning a tree planting ceremony in honor of the military and

will include a luncheon.

Wheeler Elementary School is involved with an exchange program with another island school. It will be producing a video on Being a Part of a Military Family.

Wheeler Intermediate School will have a poster contest.

In a goodwill gesture, each of the schools will be baking cookies and delivering them to military personnel. Some 43 individuals and military organizations will be receiving delivery from the Cookie Brigade.



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A Marine pauses at Hickam Air Force Base to offer an American flag to a small boy who came to greet the first contingent of returning personnel from the gulf in March.

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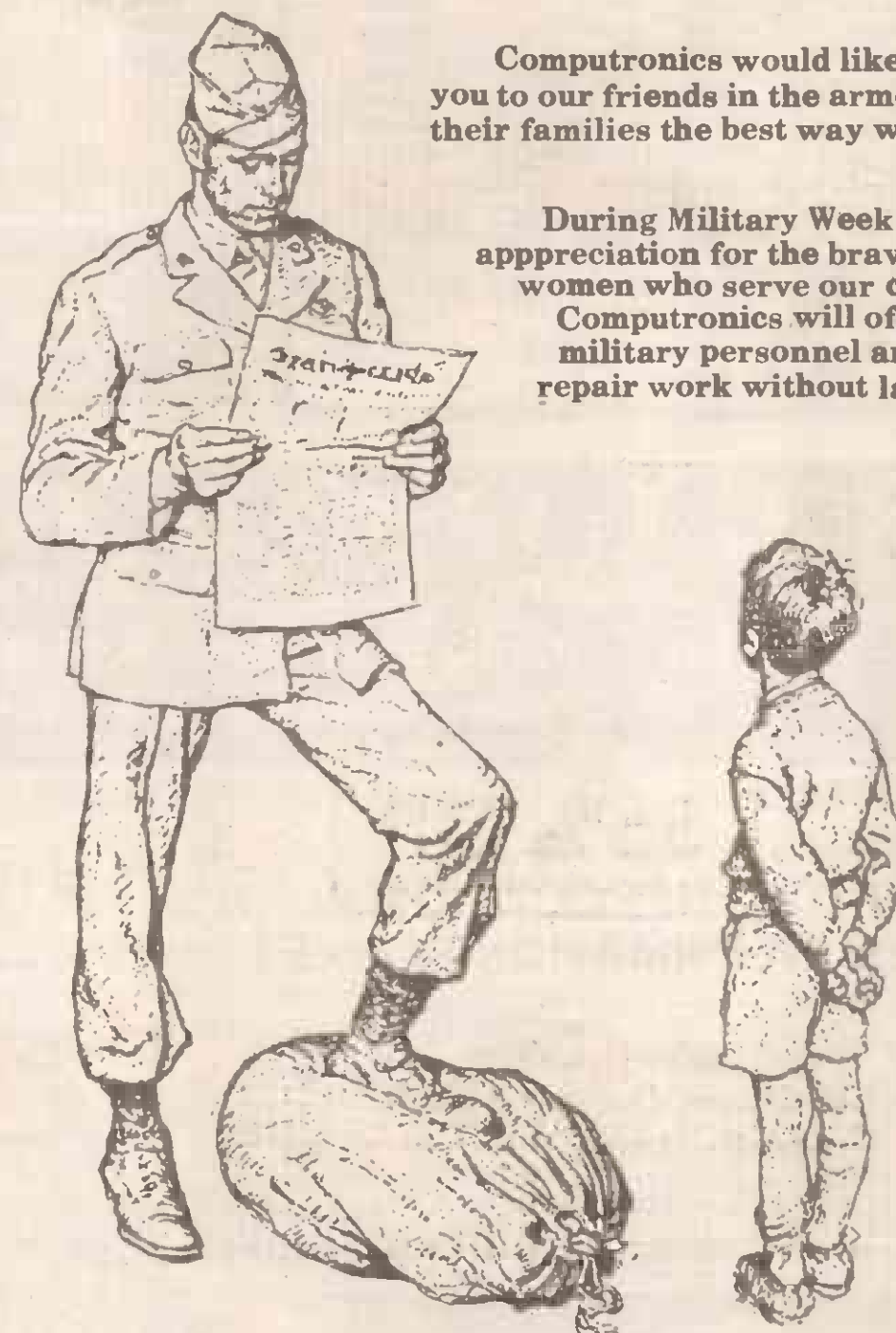
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