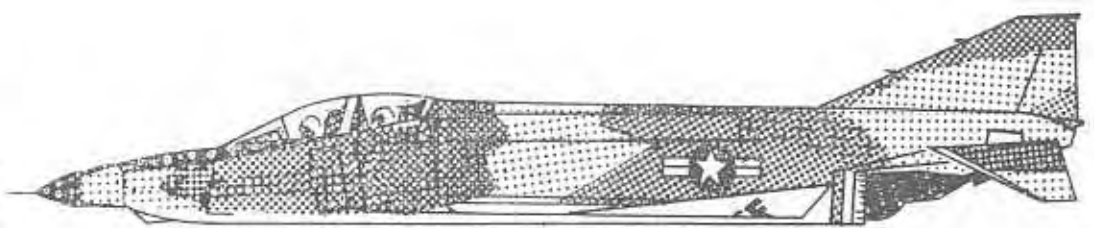




THE PHANTOM'S EYE



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Late Saturday afternoon, February UTA, 123rd Consolidate Maintenance Squadron personnel are lying down chain on tail of an RF-4C as part of the crash recovery demonstration. The aircraft is being raised using airbags.

123rd surprised, but honored to receive AFOUA fifth time

The Kentucky Air National Guard was awarded an unprecedented fourth consecutive Air Force Outstanding Unit Award (AFOUA) here Saturday morning during the 54th Annual General Conference, National Guard Association of Kentucky.

The AFOUA is the highest recognition that the Secretary of the Air Force can award to an active duty, Guard, or Reserve unit for superior service. It is the fifth AFOUA for the 123rd Tactical Reconnaissance Wing since its formation in 1947.

Efforts between November 1982 and March 1984 resulted in the most recent nomination. During this period, the 123rd TRW became the first unit within the 12th Air Force to ever score an Outstanding in the initial deployment phase of the Operational Readiness Inspection. In the area of

flying safety, the unit flew the RF-4C Phantom II a record 113 months, consuming an excess of 43,000 flying hours without encountering a major accident.

The Kentucky Air Guard also had one of the leading retention and enlistment programs throughout the entire United States, with the unit retaining some 86.5 percent of its people while maintaining a manning rate of 103.3 percent. Other items considered were the unit's consistent high marks in major inspections demonstrating highly effective combat readiness capabilities.

Major General John B. Conaway, director ANG, Washington, made the surprise presentation to Major General Billy G. Wellman, Kentucky Adjutant General, Brigadier General Fred F. Bradley, assistant AG for Air, and Brigadier General John L. Smith, 123rd TRW commander.

NEW G.I. BILL offers incentives, benefits to NG members

Mom and Dad, are you concerned about how your son or daughter is going to pay for college? Did Uncle Sam pay for your education through the G.I. Bill? Here's a way for young men and women to earn a college education or technical training while serving their community, state and country in the National Guard. Starting July 1, all qualified members of the Army and Air National Guard will be eligible for education benefits worth up to \$5,040.

Called the "New G.I. Bill," the federal program is for active and reserve component military members. Guard members are included in the act that grants money for college.

The Veterans Administration will operate the program that will pay the money monthly, directly to the Guard member.

To earn the benefit, a person must join the National Guard and meet certain minimum qualifications. A recipient must be a high school graduate, or equivalent, prior to the end of initial active duty training. A person must serve at least 180 days in the National Guard, including initial active duty, and also have at least six years of service remaining in the National Guard after July 4, 1985. Finally, a person must be enrolled in a VA-approved institution.

While eligibility for the program begins July 1, Guard members who enlist prior to July 1, 1985, and most current members, may also be eligible for benefits under the new program.

For example, a person may join the National Guard starting at age 17, usually for a six-year obligation to serve with a unit. The enlistment process of initial active duty, basic training and a military school typically take four months or longer. Once the person finishes high school and passes the 180-day milestone of total National Guard time served, the member may apply for the educational benefit.

However, on or after July 1, 1985, current Guard members must reenlist, extend or otherwise agree to serve enough additional time to make a total of six years to qualify.

The maximum benefit for a full-time student is \$140 per month for 36 months — \$5,040 total. Students attending three-quarter time receive \$105 monthly and half-time students receive \$70. They may begin participating in the program after only six months of service. A person may use the benefit for 10 years from the first day of entitlement, or until separation from the National Guard, which ever comes first.

Regular pay and benefits for attending monthly training and two weeks of annual training continue, including any other state or federal programs open to the individual, such as the bonus program.

National Guard recruiting and retention officials located throughout Kentucky have complete details on this program and other benefits. Call on base #604 or visit any National Guard unit.

Bean Soup Feast is special to KyANG, community

The annual Kentucky Air National Guard Bean Soup Feast heads into its 15th year March 21st from 11 am to 7 pm in the Chow Hall. Over the years, the one-day cookin has yielded around \$45,000 plus to charitable groups within the Louisville metro area.

This special event expresses the deep care which the KyANG has for the community as a whole, according to supporters.

Two years ago, advance ticket sales became essential as the money provided planners a more realistic figure to purchase the food stuffs. Many vendors now require payment upon delivery, and with the ticket purchases made in advance, the entire process has become much smoother.

The menu includes bean soup, corn bread, dessert, soft drinks, ice tea and coffee. And the price is the best part of the day: Adults are \$3.00 and children are \$1.50 at the door.

As in the past, there will be carry-out service available, but no deliveries.

Commander's Column

As we have previously stated, 1985 will be a varied and busy year for the Kentucky Air National Guard. One of the important challenges will be in regard to Recruiting and Retention. General Wellman challenged the unit following our manning increase in October 1984 to achieve 100 percent strength in 18 months — you accomplished that goal in less than five months. This is a noteworthy effort for which you are to be commended.

The Air National Guard has set an all-time high goal of 108,000 personnel by the end of September 1985, which is a significant growth in our ranks. We can anticipate new authorizations over the coming months which will require continued emphasis on recruiting and retention. Our recruiters are among the nation's leaders statistically and have done a superior job for many years. But our best recruiters have been the members of this unit who take the time to tell others about the advantages of being a member of the Kentucky Air National Guard. No amount of advertising can compare with the personal one-on-one explanation of the available opportunities ranging from career training to educational and financial assistance, and the satisfaction of commitment with a group of dedicated Americans.

Our retention is good, which says our people are basically satisfied. To all supervisors I say — you have the finest people in the world, capable of doing an outstanding job and accepting the responsibility of that job. Give your people that responsibility and let them do their part — they will be better prepared and you will be a better supervisor.

Let's all work together in promoting the Kentucky Air National Guard. If we spread the word, 1985 will be a year of strength and satisfaction for us all.



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**Brig. Gen. John L. Smith
123rd TRW Commander**

New guidelines for Phantom's Eye format

In this issue of the Phantom's Eye, you will note several changes due to the new contract that has been awarded to a local printer. It has been a long time coming, and we on the staff are very excited.

Under our new guidelines, effective the March UTA, we are requesting your assistance and cooperation. The guidelines are as follows:

1. Photography requests must be given to us before 0900 hours Saturday UTA.

2. News articles—to be printed in the next edition—must be in the Public Affairs Office NLT 1500 Sunday UTA.

3. Last minute announcements are to be directed to the Base Bulletin or the respective unit newsletters.

4. Primary point of contact will be the unit Public Affairs Officer (additional duty). If you don't know who it is, ask your First Sergeant or call us: OB ext. 431.

Thank you for your support. As in any new venture, we will have some bugs (gremlins) to work out during the initial issues, so please be patient with us. As in the past, the Phantom's Eye will continue to inform you on items of interest to you and your families. The new format will enable us to give better quality photo reproduction, more indepth coverage of base-wide activities, and greater balance in news presented.

**Capt Jeff Butcher
Public Affairs Officer**

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Guards and Reservists make ultimate sacrifice

"Weekend Warriors?" Think about the nickname we have given to members of the Air Force Reserve and Air National Guard. It implies a lot of things that are simply not true.

Not as committed as full-time blue-suiters? Part-timers who don't face the same hardships or make the same sacrifices?

Tell that to the families of Paul Cocks, Michael J. Durante, David E. Guile, John A. Dettlinger, Gary E. Schei, Harry T. Keyes and Ronald A. Wachter. These men, all members of the Air Force Reserve, are dead following the Jan. 22 crash of a C-130 off the northern coast of Honduras.

Five of the men make up the crew of the C-130 that has routinely supported the U.S. Joint Task Force headquarters in Honduras. The tragic incident offers us a time to refocus our thinking. In the words of one reservist in the Pentagon, "Although we are, for the most part, part-timers on duty, we are full-time partners in the total force."

The Guard and Reserve are not always recognized for the vital missions they support. For example the airlift mission in Central and South America has been shared by the guard and reserve since 1977. They took over the mission that previously was flown by the active duty.

At any given time, reservists fly about one-third of the global airlift missions, according to Maj. Gen. James E. McAdoo, vice commander of the Air Force Reserve. In a speech given last year, he said, "Literally every day, everywhere, we have reservists performing their duties. It's a long way from the days of flying around the flagpole on weekends."

These duties are not limited to bases near their civilian offices. They are in Japan, South Korea, West Germany, and Middle East and Central America. During the rescue mission in Grenada, reservists flew alongside the active duty and helped return with the rescued students.

Whether on their one weekend a month or the two-week annual active duty requirement, these airmen have to meet the same exacting standards as their full-time counterparts.

Gen. Charles A. Gabriel, Air Force chief of staff, made this point clear last year when responding to congressional inquiries about active involvement.

"Why is there not much said about it?" asked a congressman, referring to Guard and Reserve involvement.

"I think it is probably the fact that, at least in my service, it has become so routine that the Reserves are right there beside us," General Gabriel responded. "I am not talking about just the flying forces. There are a lot of support forces — medics, engineers and aerial port people."

"It has become so routine with us that maybe we do not advertise it each time as being exceptional," he said.

Weekend warriors? Not so. Reservists are equally committed and make many of the same sacrifices as active duty members. Sometimes the price of freedom is high. In the case of the seven reservists, they made the ultimate sacrifice. (AFNS)

Copper Flag '85 goes smooth over Florida

The TAC generated Air Defense Exercise, "Copper Flag '85," saw 63 members and six RF-4C aircraft from the 123rd Tactical Reconnaissance Wing participate. It was held at Tyndall AFB, Florida, Feb. 10-16.

"Our primary mission was to provide a low-altitude, high-speed threat to the active duty and Guard units which were involved in the exercise," said Major Paul Rhodes, 123rd detachment commander. The missions were flown in and around the Tyndall AFB flight space.

Four other higher headquarters-directed exercises are slated for the remainder of the year.



Copper Flag aircrew member conducts pre-flight inspection before launching RF-4C for visit to Tyndall AFB, FL.



Hey down there, watch your step. Two Copper Flag aircrew members are boarding their Phantom II for Florida.

Brief Note

KyANG'S TOP 10 HIT LIST FOR RECRUITING

- 431X1—Acft. Maint.
- 233X0—Photo Processing
- 791X0—Public Affairs
- 427X3—Parachute & Fabrication
- 423X3—Fuel Systems
- 423X1—Environmental Systems
- 423X0—Acft. Electrician
- 661X0—Logistics Plans
- 404X0—Precision Imagery Maint.
- 751X2—Training Spec.

Point Delay: Stop by the recruiting office today with a referral so we can remove these AFSC from the hit list.

If you are planning a trip abroad, whether it be in PCS, TDY or leave status, you should be increasingly aware of defensive security precautions and anti-terrorist considerations and procedures. TAC Sup 1 to AFR 205-1 requires that personnel who have access to classified information receive a defensive security briefing, which alerts the AF member to the techniques and tactics used by hostile foreign intelligence services. Of growing concern, also, is the threat posed by the upswing in terrorist attacks against Americans abroad. AFR 208-1, "The U.S. Air Force Antiterrorism Program," and AFR 30-10, "Security Precautions for AF Personnel Traveling Abroad," provide tips on physical security under high terrorist threat conditions.

Precautions against increasing your vulnerability while abroad are commonsensical, and involve maintaining a high level of awareness of what's going on around you. You should not be paranoid or excessively suspicious, but ever alert.

DO

- stay alert to activity around you
- assume a low personal profile
- dress conservatively
- travel with someone else
- inform friends of travel plans and itinerary if traveling alone
- contact those people if you deviate from those plans
- report suspicious activity
- alter routes of travel to and from work
- use different means of entering and exiting buildings you use regularly
- check your car for wires, unusual activity and empty back seat prior to entering

- keep your car locked at all times and parked in a well lighted area, off-street if possible
- plan your route of travel ahead of time so that you know if taxi drivers are deviating from your route

DON'T

- travel alone, if at all possible
- travel to remote or unfamiliar areas alone
- stop to render assistance to persons who appear to be in distress, unless extreme caution is used
- pick up hitch-hikers
- discuss travel plans in front of strangers
- behave predictably in terms of times of travel, the times you eat, or the means and route of transportation you utilize
- carry attache cases, unless absolutely necessary
- use alcohol to the point that you become less aware of what is going on around you
- accept packages of letters that you have not specifically ordered
- keep your room in such a mess that you would not notice if someone had tampered with or placed something in your room
- solicit information in hotel lobbies or street corners, if possible

The 123 TRW/DOIN will conduct foreign area/defensive security/anti-terrorist briefings on request for personnel who will be traveling abroad. If you take the above and other precautions, you will reduce the likelihood of your becoming a target of terrorists or hostile intelligence services. Have fun, but remain alert!

Secretary Orr defends retirement system



WASHINGTON — "It's not lavish" and "It's a management tool we need," stressed Secretary of the Air Force Verne Orr. His statements are a response to recent attacks on the military retirement system.

Secretary Orr defended retirement pay Feb. 7 in an interview with Air Force Radio News Service. He was reacting to charges made two days earlier by David A. Stockman, director of the Office of Management and Budget.

Mr. Stockman asked Congress to reduce military retirement pay, calling it a "scandal" and an "outrage." He also said Pentagon Institutional Forces are more concerned about protecting their pay than the defense of the country.

Referring to Mr. Stockman's charges, Secretary Orr said, "Well, they hurt and I think they were ill-advised and ill-informed. The public has a great misconception about the retirement system," he said. The secretary said he visits about one base per week, and "The number-one question on every base, every time, is about retirement."

Secretary Orr expects other attacks on the retirement system, but was encouraged by what Rep. William L. Dickinson, R-ALA., told him. Rep. Dickinson, ranking minority member of the House Armed Services Committee, told the secretary that he knows of no intention to change the retirement system for people now on active duty.



Col. (Dr.) John E. Kuhn, the new State Headquarters Staff Air Surgeon moves into position from commander, 123rd Tac Hospital. Dr. Kuhn replaces Col. (Dr.) Samuel L. Cooper, who retired during ceremonies at the February UTA.

Parking decals required here

All personnel driving their vehicles onto the base must register their vehicles at the Security Police Office and obtain a parking decal. In order to register your vehicle, you must bring the following items:

a. Proof of ownership/registration of vehicle(s).

b. Proof of financial liability/insurance.

Individuals who do not obtain a parking decal must sign in each time they drive onto base. The names of those individuals who sign in on the UTAs will be forward to the wing commander for further action.

Five years ago at Standiford Field

The 123rd TRW and the 165th TRS provided six RF-4C aircraft and 123 personnel for "Gallant Eagle 80." Five augmentees were sent to TACC (AFFOR/OPPAIR) at George AFB, CA; a flight surgeon to Nellis AFB, Nev.; and two maintenance NCOs for the 57th TFW. The 123rd TRW was tasked to provide TAC REC support for OPPAIR at Nellis.

Tenth annual KyANG Bean Soup Feast. Proceeds designed for youth oriented humanitarian projects.

Requested imagery projects accomplished by 165th TRS aircrews included: selected targets at Ft Knox for G2 82 ABN Div, Ft Bragg, NC; chemical plants on Ohio River for TAC; Fairmont Cemetery, Mt. Washington, KY, for Archaeological Survey, Univ of Chicago; Louisville Zoo for Louisville Parks Dept; Columbus, MS airport for USAF Thunderbirds; Camp Atterbury ranges for TAC; Glenview Naval Air Station and Great Lakes Naval Training Center for 12th AF; Neward Air Station for Neward officials; and Starvaggi Drop Zone, Pittsburg, PA.

The following bills passed both House and Senate of the 1980 Kentucky Legislature and were signed into Law by Gov. John Y. Brown: increase minimum amount paid to Guardsmen called to state duty from \$25 per day to 12 times the minimum hourly wage rate per day; penalties set for employers who refuse to grant employees leave of absence for active duty or NG training; and increasing the annual limit per person under the Guard Encouragement Fund from \$500 to \$750. (123TRW/HO)

Plants can cause harm in Spring

National Poison Prevention Week is 17-23, March 1985. With the coming of spring, it's again time to remind everyone of the many common plants that are poisonous. There are approximately 40 plants, trees, shrubs and even a vegetable that could cause serious illness or even death. For a list of these plants and their symptoms, contact your orderly room or stop by the SAFETY OFFICE, room 162, O & T building. Remember, children under five years of age are most likely to get poisoned; let's look out for the little people.



Capt. Richard W. Kimbler, recent addition to Tac Hospital as an Air Surgeon, (background), checks medical supply inventory with TSgt Larry Fowler, NCOIC 165th TRS medical element.



Maj. Gen. John B. Conaway Reappointed Director, Air Guard

Major General John B. Conaway was reappointed as the director of the Air National Guard. Since his first appointment as director in 1981, the Air National Guard has achieved many historical firsts, one being the first armed service to man itself during peacetime at its wartime strength requirements. The Air National Guard, under Conaway's direction, to date is at more than 104,000 and will rise to more than 120,000 by the end of the decade.

For his outstanding management and leadership within the Total Air Force, Conaway was awarded the Eugene M. Zuckert Management Award by Secretary of the Air Force Verne Orr, this past spring. Conaway is the first Guardsman or Reservist to receive this distinguished award. Orr cited Conaway for dramatically increasing the combat readiness and



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sustainability of Air Guard units nationwide, and for leading the Air

Guard to its highest state of equipment modernization in its history.

Conaway began his military career when he entered the ROTC program at the University of Evansville, Indiana, and was commissioned in June 1956 when he graduated.

He served on active duty until 1960 when he joined the West Virginia Air Guard as an SA-16 aircraft pilot performing a special forces operations mission. In 1963 he transferred to the Kentucky Air National Guard and eventually rose to be air commander of the Kentucky Air National Guard and vice commander of the 123d Tactical Reconnaissance Wing, which has units in Arkansas, Idaho, Kentucky and Nevada. He was appointed the deputy director of the Air National Guard in April 1977 when he achieved brigadier general. He was appointed director in 1981.

Physical fitness program launched for ANG

Beginning April 1985, the Air Guard will be following the footsteps of their active duty counterparts by undergoing an annual physical fitness evaluation LAW AFReg 35-11, according to Colonel Austin P. Snyder, 123rd TRW project officer.

The AFReg 35-11 is the same regulation that controls the weight control program. In the past, ANG members have been excluded from the annual evaluation (walking/running).

Once an individual is assigned a category, testing can begin. However, any person requesting a medical evaluation will be granted a consultation with medical personnel from the base. Those members whose AFSC require world-wide duty and who become Cat 3s could face administrative separation, according to AFReg 35-11. Brigadier General John L. Smith, 123rd TRW commander, told commanders, "Stress to your people that they are going to be evaluated. I will have no sympathy for someone who tells me I won't do it."

The 123rd Civil Engineering Flight is preparing a course for the walk and run. The evaluations are slated to encompass the April-May-June UTA weekends. Further information will be announced this UTA during Commander's Call.

"Everyone in the unit will fall into three categories," Col. Snyder explained. "Cat 1 is high risk," those individuals over 50 years of age, or are over-weight, or who have been granted a medical waiver from the 123rd Tac Hospital. Cat 2 are those individuals who are judged physically fit. Cat 3 will be for members who choose not to participate. The later could face possible administrative discharge.

"Unit commanders will appoint a physical fitness monitor, and, in most cases, it should be the same individual who is responsible for the weight control program."

"Since this is a new program, it is assumed that it could take some time before the unit breaks into a routine, Col. Snyder said. "Unit commanders will be responsible for consolidating the information and categorizing their people."

*Courtesy of the NATIONAL GUARD Magazine



Lt. Col. William D. Seiber, 123rd CE commander, consults with the newly appointed 123rd Tac Hospital commander, Lt. Col. Grady L. Dickinson, during February UTA.

Air Enlisted Panel Makes Seven Key Proposals

The composite Air National Guard and Air Force Reserve Enlisted Advisory Panel that meets annually to consider enlisted personnel matters has offered seven proposals to Major General John B. Conaway, director of the Air National Guard, and Major General Sloan R. Gill, chief of the Air Force Reserve, for consideration.

The panel's primary proposals seek retirement points for professional military education (PME) correspondence courses and making Air Guard and Air Reserve enlisted members eligible for the Air Force Overseas Ribbon (long tour) and the Training Ribbon.

The other proposals include indefinite enlistments for enlisted members along the same lines as officer appointments, allowing members to substitute a seven-level and six years of experience in their skills for a bachelor's degree when applying for a commission, allowing retired members to start collecting part of their pension at age 55, giving retirees the opportunity to fill prescriptions from base hospitals if they live outside the Zip Code zones established by CHAMPUS and incorporating the Air Guard and Air Reserve Enlisted Advisory Panel into Air Force Regulation 45-9 (Air Reserve Force Policy Committee). The proposals on retirement including retirement points for PME courses would have to be offered to Congress for statute changes.

Drunk Driving: forewarned is fairwarned

Section 1: No person shall operate a motor vehicle anywhere in this state while under the influence of alcohol or any other substance which may impair one's driving ability.

FIRST OFFENSE:

- Fine—\$200-\$500

or

- Jail—48 hours-30 days, or both
- Community labor—two days-30 days in lieu of fine and/or jail. One must be imposed. No probation if death or serious injury.
- Mandatory service fee—\$150.
- License revocation—six months or upon completion of treatment program—30 days.
- Preconviction suspension on motion of commonwealth—60 days. (Reviewed in 14 days on motion of defendant.)
- Weekend incarceration—must be 24 hours.

SECOND OFFENSE

Within five-year period

- Fine—\$350-500

and

- Jail—seven days-six months.

No probation.

- Community labor—discretionary with court—10 days-six months.
- Mandatory service fee—\$150.
- License revocation—10 months.
- Preconviction suspension on motion of commonwealth—60 days. (Reviewed in 14 days on motion of defendant.)
- Weekend incarceration—must be 24 hours.

- Mandatory alcohol or substance abuse program for one year.

THIRD OFFENSE

Within five-year period

- Fine—\$500-\$1,000

and

- Jail—30 days-12 months.

No probation.

- Community labor—discretionary with court—10 days-12 months.
- Mandatory service fee—\$150.
- License revocation—24 months.
- Preconviction suspension on motion of commonwealth—60 days. (Reviewed in 14 days on motion of defendant.)
- No weekend incarceration.
- Mandatory alcohol or substance abuse program for one year.

KNOW YOUR LIMITS

Number of drinks consumed

1	2	3	4	5	6
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Hours to wait after start of drinking and before driving

BODY WEIGHT

100 lbs.
120 lbs.
140 lbs.
160 lbs.
180 lbs.
200 lbs.
220 lbs.

0	3	6	9.5	12.5	15.5
0	2	4.5	7.5	9.5	12
0	1.5	3.5	5.5	8	10
0	.5	2.5	4.5	6.5	8.5
0	0	2	3.5	5.5	7
0	0	1.5	3	4.5	6
0	0	1	2.5	3.5	5.5

(AFPS)

1 drink = 86 proof 1.5 oz. of whiskey, gin, vodka, etc.; 1 bottle beer (12 oz.); 3 oz. wine (20%) or 5 oz. wine (12%).

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Friends don't let friends drive drunk.



If your friend has had too much to drink, he doesn't have to drive. Here's one way to keep your friend alive . . .

drive your friend home

compiled by Mynda McGuire, chief, family affairs, AFSINC

YOUNGSTERS BELIEVE PEERS ARE TRYING DRUGS AND ALCOHOL EARLIER

There is substantial peer pressure for children to try drugs and alcohol as early as the fourth grade, according to a survey released by the White House. The findings are from a readership poll of 500,000 fourth through 12th graders conducted by "The Weekly Reader," a magazine for children. The survey reported what students "believe is happening generally in their schools," and is not necessarily a report of their own behavior. By the time youngsters reach seventh grade, 60 percent said they felt pressure to try alcohol and 50 percent reported pressure

to sample marijuana. Motivations for trying drugs and alcohol differed with the age groups. Children in the lower grades said substances were used to "feel older." Youngsters in the middle grades said their peers tried drugs "to fit in with other kids." Teen-agers in grades nine through 12 reported they believed drugs were used to "have a good time." The fact that young students think drug use is so common is in itself cause for concern since many use drugs to "fit in," the magazine added.