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General Dawson Presents Awards: Major General Larry C. Dawson, Adjutant General of the state of Kentucky, presented 11 men Air Force medals for achievements performed while on active duty during the Pueblo call-up. The first award, The Air Force Meritorious Service Medal with accompanying citation, went to Lt Col (Chaplain) William E. Hisle. This award is an upgraded decoration, it was conferred by direction of the President for "outstanding skill, knowledge, and leadership." All the others received the Air Force Commendation Medal. They included: Lt Col James Arnold Jr., Lt Col Roy Ellis Jr., Lt Col Robert Southall, Captain Donald Engleman, 1st Lt James Maher, WO Jack Gowan, CMSgt Roy Adams, MSgt Edwin Hornung, TSgt Robert Denton, SSgt William Whitlock. The special ceremony was arranged because these persons, for one reason or another, cannot attend the annual summer training. Eighteen others are to be honored in an awards ceremony Saturday, June 20, at Savannah.

NO AUGUST DRILL: The August UTA's have been rescheduled to July 11 and 12. This change transpired in order for the unit to be at maximum preparedness for the Operational Readiness Inspection July 17-20. This will, of course, mean additional duty and work for July, but a nice vacation the entire month of August.

WHAT YOU CAN DO FOR AMERICAN PRISONERS IN VIETNAM: Sign the petition which is currently being circulated by the staff of the VOODOO TALES. It is not a military backed program. When you sign the petition you are signing it as a concerned individual citizen.

123D TO BECOME FOUR GROUP UNIT: THE 188th Tactical Recon Group, Arkansas Air National Guard, is currently being equipped with RF-101 Voodoo aircraft. They will join the Reno, Nevada, Little Rock, Arkansas and Louisville units to form the 123d Tac Recon Wing.

ADDRESS AT FIELD TRAINING: Mail addressed to individuals attending summer camp at Travis Field should be addressed as follows: NAME -- UNIT ASSIGNED -- P.O. Box 245 -- Savannah, Georgia 31402.

ADVANCED DETACHMENT TO FIELD TRAINING TO HOLD IMPORTANT MEETING: There will be a meeting of the advanced detachment at 1530 hours Saturday June 6 in the mess hall. It is important that all personnel involved attend this meeting.

91 BASES IN THE GUARD: The Air Guard operates a total of 91 flying bases and 52 non-flying installations used by communication units.

FOURTEEN CENTENARIANS IN GS RETIREMENT SYSTEM

There are currently 14 persons, six men and eight women, who are more than 100 years old and receiving annuities under the Civil Service Retirement Act, which will be 50 years old May 22, 1970, according to Civil Service Commission records. The combined Federal service of these 14 employee annuitants totals 375 years and their life span totals 1,442 years. The oldest living annuitant is 109 years old. The oldest annuitant to date was Mark Thrash of Georgia, who was almost 123 years old when he died. Mr. Thrash was born Christmas day of 1820. He was already 99 years old when the Civil Service Retirement Act became law. He

he was living with his fifth wife, having outlived the other four. He married his fifth wife when he was 107 years old. Perhaps the most famous fact about Mr. Thrash was that when he became too feeble to go to the post office for his annuity check, he sent his 90-year-old son to get it.

PICTURED BELOW IS THE RECOMMENDED ROUTE TO THE ANNUAL FIELD TRAINING IN SAVANNAH, GEORGIA IT IS RECOMMENDED BY THE STAFF OF THE VOODOO TALES AND BY THE AMERICAN AUTOMOBILE ASSN. VOODOO TALES IS published twice monthly except this month, by the 123d TRW, Information Office personnel at Shewmaker ANG Base, Louisville, Ky.
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