



Gator CAPers

Reilly New National Board Chairman



Silver eagles are exchanged for the stars of brigadier general as F. Ward Reilly, newly elected national board chairman, assumes the rank in conjunction with his taking the chairmanship. Doing the honors is Brigadier General Lyle W. Castle, outgoing national board chairman.

Colonel F. Ward Reilly, of Chattanooga, Tennessee, on October 18, 1968, was unanimously elected chairman of the National Board of Civil Air Patrol at CAP's annual board meeting at the Leanington Hotel, Minneapolis, Minnesota. He succeeds Brig. Gen. Lyle W. Castle, CAP, who served as National Board Chairman for three years.

A Chattanooga, Tennessee business man, Colonel Reilly was chosen as principal Corporate Officer of the 85,000 member Civil Air Patrol being members of the National Board comprised of eight region commanders, 52 wing commanders and members of the CAP National Executive Committee. With this assignment he was promoted to the grade of Brig. General.

As chairman, General Reilly will guide CAP in its public service role of flying search and rescue missions, performing mercy and humanitarian flights and conducting a nationwide aerospace education program for the cadets and senior members.

One of his first actions was to name CAP Colonel Samuel H. duPont, Jr., of Miami, Florida as vice-chairman of the CAP National Board. Colonel duPont served as vice-chairman under Gen. Castle.

General Reilly, a CAP member for more than 15 years, served as commander of the CAP Southeast Region prior to his election. The Southeast Region includes the States of Tennessee, Alabama, Georgia, Florida, Mississippi and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico and is composed of some 9,000 members.

Born in Chattanooga, Tennessee, he attended McCallie School and Georgia Institute of Technology (Georgia Tech). He was active in the Army Air Corps ROTC and attended the first cadet encampment held at Maxwell AFB, Alabama. General Reilly is a veteran pilot and holds a command pilot multi-engine rating in Civil Air Patrol. His awards include the CAP Distinguished Service Award, the Exceptional and Meritorious Service Awards. He flies an Aero Commander 500 both for business and pleasure.

He has served as commissioner of Aeronautics in Tennessee for ten years and during that period vigorously pushed local airport improvement in Tennessee. He also was instrumental in promoting aerospace education in Tennessee's schools and persuading the Tennessee Aeronautics Commission to sponsor the Civil Air Patrol Aviation

LCol. Owen Sector "A" Commander

Colonel William R. Bass, Commander Florida Wing, announced that on November 5, 1968, LColonel Robert C. Owen was appointed Commander of Sector "A" as a Florida Wing Deputy Commander.

During Civil Air Patrol's organization beginning December 1941, was when LColonel Owen began his membership. He flew Courier Service, from 1941 to 1942 for the New York Wing. In 1942 he was responsible for Artillery Tracking in the Connecticut Wing, New Jersey Wing has his active participation in 1943 as an Anti-sub Coastal Patrol pilot. Leaving the program in 1943, he joined to serve active military service in the Army.



LColonel Robert C. Owen, CAP Commander Sector "A"

Returning in 1963, Colonel Owen, became the Information Officer for the Palm Beach Composite Squadron with the grade of Captain. This was just the beginning of his active CAP career.

June, 1964, Colonel Owen, was appointed Emergency Services Officer for Group 5, and during the same month he was appointed the position of Group 5 Commander. On January 1, 1965, he was promoted to the grade of major.

He was appointed the position of Deputy Wing Commander and Commander of Sector "A" on April 4, 1966. His promotion to LColonel came on May 1, 1966. Remaining in this position May, 1967 when he was appointed the position of Florida Wing Coordinator of Civil Defense.

LColonel Owen's assignment as Coordinator of Civil Defense, resulted in the successful completion of the agreement the State Office of Civil Defense and Headquarters Florida Wing, which had been long needed, to accomplish the joint cooperation of both organizations.

The abilities and talent possessed by LColonel Owen, and the responsibilities required of the Sector Commander, resulted his being reappointed this position.

It was expressed by Colonel Bass, "we have the Sector concept, we will keep the sector concept. With this system we need the man to fit the system, and Colonel Owen is the man we feel to fill such position."

LColonel Owen with his new appointment, advises that he will create a closer coordination with units within his sector and increase a better line of communications.

As well as his active participation in activities and programs, his personal expansion of knowledge and accomplishments numbered many. Completing Phases I, II, III, IV and V of the CAP Senior Program, he has received the Senior Certificate of Proficiency, Leadership Award with Bronze Star and the Aerospace Award with Bronze Star. LColonel Owen was presented the Exceptional Service and Meritorious Service Awards, the Blue Service, SAR Ribbon with Prop and 2 Bronze Clasp, ECI Award with Clasp, Senior Membership, Senior Recruiter, Cadre with Clasp, Courier Service, Artillery Tracking and Coastal Patrol Ribbons.

LColonel Owen serves as the Director of the Palm Beach County Civil Defense and is President of Quoniam, Inc. of Palm Beach. He is a graduate of the University of Florida with a BS Degree in Business Administration.

Married to the former Sandra Brown, who is a major in CAP and Coordinator of Women in Flight Wing, LColonel and Mrs. Owen make their home in Riviera Beach.

high stamling." He further stated, "that this will not be really difficult with the help of all the folks who are in the Southeast Region."

According to "Colonel Limmer, "KISS". Keep It Simple and Short, is the key success story of the CAP organization and its programs. He stated "that one of his primary goals as Region Commander, will be to attempt to simplify everything in CAP. It is of greatest importance that simplified working methods be instituted."

Originally from Wentworth, South Dakota, Colonel Limmer has served in the United States Navy, and now is employed with Lockheed Aircraft Corporation as one of its Chief Project Test Pilots.

Married to the former LaVerne A. Nagemozze, Colonel Limmer advises that Lt. Col. LaVerne Limmer will serve as the Southeast Region Personnel Officer. She held the same position in the Georgia Wing.

NEW NATIONAL COMMANDER Maj.Gen. Putnam



New National Commander, Major General Walter B. Putnam.

Prior to his retirement, he was commander of Southern NORAD Region and Fourteenth Air Force, both headquartered at Gunter. In addition he attended Air War College at Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama, in 1948-1949.

General Putnam is a veteran of more than 30 years in the Air Force. A native of Fort Smith, Arkansas, he entered military service in 1937 and received his pilot wings in 1938.

Then a first lieutenant, he was in the Philippines when the Japanese attacked Pearl Harbor. In the nine months which followed, he flew more than 200 missions in P-39 and P-40 aircraft, earning for himself the nickname, "One Man Air Force of Bataan."

For a time during the Philippine campaign, he served as a provisional infantry commander. He commanded the last fighter squadron in the Philippines, on the island of Mindanao, evacuating the area two weeks after Corregidor fell.

He then served for a time in New Guinea, later being transferred to the States where he served as a wing commander at the Air Corps School of Applied Tactics.

Military duty has included tours with the Civil Censorship Office, Headquarters, Supreme Allied Command in Tokyo during the occupation; at Eglin AFB, Fla.; commander of 36th Tactical Fighter Wing, Bitburg AB, Germany; with Headquarters, U.S. Air Force; and a tour of duty in Vietnam. He was commander of the Tactical Air Warfare Center at Eglin AFB, Fla., prior to assuming command of the 14th Air Force in November 1966.

He is a graduate of Oklahoma State University, Air War College and National War College; he also attended Yale University, University of Maryland and George Washington University.

Among his many military awards and decorations are the Distinguished Service Cross, the Silver Star and the Legion of Merit.

He is married to the former Geneva Farris and they have three children.

Education Workshop for teachers in Tennessee.

General Reilly is Chairman of the Board of Sherman & Reilly, Inc. and is engaged in manufacturing and engineering in Chattanooga. He resides with his wife, the former Margaret White, in their home on Lookout Mountain, Tennessee.

In other actions taken by the board, outgoing chairman Castle and Brig. Gen. Wilcox, USAF, CAP National Commander, were elected to life membership in the Civil Air Patrol. Gen. Wilcox ends a 30 year Air Force career with his retirement on October 31.

Only 12 persons have previously been elected to CAP life membership.

SER COMMANDER



Colonel Theodore H. Limmer, Jr., former Georgia Wing Commander, assumes command of the Southeast Region.

Assuming the command of the Southeast Region, upon the promotion of General Reilly is Colonel Theodore

H. Limmer, Jr., who was the commander of the Georgia Wing.

Colonel Limmer joined Civil Air Patrol in April, 1954 and served as the Operations Officer of the Palmdale Squadron in Palmdale, California. Shortly after his appointment as Operations Officer, with vigorous stride, he assumed command of the unit. This position he held for four years.

In 1958, Colonel Limmer moved to Atlanta, Georgia, where he joined the Georgia Wing Staff as its inspector. Progressing in grade and position up to Deputy Commander, in 1965 he was appointed by the National Executive Committee to serve as the Georgia Wing Commander.

Serving as Georgia's Wing Commander, Colonel Limmer increased the proficiency, capabilities and training of the search and rescue and the Cadet Programs. The most significant project instituted was the "CAPPER" Program - Civil Air Patrol Pilot Emergency Reserve which the National "AFL" Program was designed after.

When asked about what he as the new Region Commander thought would be the most difficult tasks for him he stated "Strive to maintain its

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Each separate activity need not be noted, however, a partial list would be composed of duties such as screening, freezing and processing paperwork for equipment, movement of cadets during their summer activities, the checking of equipment for applicability and suitability for CAP use, responsibility for records and assignments of Reservists to CAP units, arranging of airlift and schedules for CAP meetings or activities, the processing of claims for reimbursement for mission expenditures, acting as a liaison between CAP and the general public, making appearances and speeches to the general public or CAP units, testing cadets for awards, acting as advisor to CAP units for problems concerning organization, administration, safety, operations, communications, information, inspection, material, aerospace education, briefing USAF Base Commanders on the Civil Air Patrol, recruiting Reservists, attending search missions, military procedures and aviation. The LO also assists the Wing IO in his program, attends CAP meetings and remains in constant liaison with the Wing Commander.

The areas noted above could be broken out further, however, coupled with his required Air Force duties including monitoring of funds, safeguarding of Government property and equipment, being a commercial and instrument pilot, a Government licensed driver, a licensed radio-telephone operator and supervisor of assigned Liaison Office personnel - it can readily be seen that an LO must be active, flexible, dedicated and diplomatic.

Behind this article is the awareness that many CAP personnel and units are not familiar with the Liaison Office or even know that one exists in every state. In Florida, this is partially due to the number of units and the wide area that they cover. While the LO, or his representative, would desire to visit, talk with, and assist each and every unit in Florida, this is virtually impossible due to time limitations and the travel that would be involved.

This lack of personal contact, while not desirable, does not slam the door on any unit if they require legitimate assistance from the LO. The Air Force LO office is normally manned five days per week and Saturday and Sunday, if necessary. Through established CAP channels, the Liaison Office can and will assist.

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Appreciation Shown



Major William Clarke, Group 20 Commander presents certificates of appreciation to Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Byers and Mr. Dan Krue. The presentation was made to these non-CAP members, for their assistance during a search mission in locating a downed aircraft at the south end of Lake Preston in North Osceola County. The plane crashed during hurricane Abby in June. Derek Haff and Earl Crockett of Treport, Alabama, were aboard the plane.

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NATIONAL COMMANDER OF CIVIL AIR PATROL

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NATIVE OF FORT SMITH, ARKANSAS

HE IS A GRADUATE OF OKLAHOMA STATE UNIVERSITY, AIR WAR COLLEGE, ATTENDED YALE, MARYLAND, AND GW UNIVERSITY.

MORE THAN 30 YEARS SERVICE IN AIR FORCE. ENTERED MILITARY SERVICE IN 1937. RECEIVED HIS PILOT WINGS IN 1936.

TEEN-AGE AIR DERBY

A project to make the central Florida City of Deland, the center of teen-age America's interest in aviation, both on and off the ground, was recently announced by Gover Loening, the noted aeronautical pioneer.

Loening reported he had accepted the invitation of Deland officials to be chairman of the National Advisory Commission for the first National Teen-Age Air Derby. The non-profit organization was established by civic leaders in Deland, in cooperation with Stetson University also situated in Deland - to conduct a series of air derbies for 16 to 19 year old youths interested in aviation careers. The first will be held August 1 through Labor Day, 1969.

The principle aspect of the affair will be a competition among young pilots from all states, with the stress on safety and navigational skill instead of speed. The 50 pilots will be the winners of regional events conducted across the country in contests involving all phases of light aircraft flying.

Loening also reported that, thanks to the extreme interest of Stetson University in the project, a series of seminars will be set up by that institution not only for the benefit of pilots but also those others concerned with the aviation industry's needs for improved traffic control, better design and creative production management and various on-ground skills.

"Safety and efficiency are the key words in aviation today," Loening said, "and this project by the City of Deland, Stetson University, other groups in Central Florida, plus, we are sure, the industry itself and various government agencies, will significantly advance these causes."

It was also announced that Colonel D. Harold Byrd of Dallas, another pioneer aviation enthusiast and organizer of the Civil Air Patrol just six days before Pearl Harbor, had agreed to serve as vice chairman of the National Teen-Age Air Derby.

Both Loening and Byrd, along with other important officials and observers, are scheduled to fly to Deland to inspect facilities there and assist in developing immediate plans for the first event.

Richard H. Westervelt, editor of the Deland Sun-News, and John B. Mattingly, Deland attorney and civic leader, said other key government and industrial aviation experts will also participate in the project. They announced these will include two authorities from both Canada and Mexico.

Focal point for the affair in the Deland Municipal Airport, formerly a major U.S. Navy base used to train pilots and crews for sea operations

during World War II, and which possesses some of the longest runways in the nation. From this base, the 50 winning pilots will engage in a competition by flying a rectangular route through the Midwest and Southwest, an back to Deland covering a variety of terrain and weather conditions.

Collegiate scholarships and cash awards will be granted the winners as part of the program's overall objective of increasing safety and improving flight management and operations. The seminars mentioned will be held by experts in various aviation areas not only for the pilot contestants but for other young persons intrigued by the many important facets of the flight industry.

Details on these and other related matters will be announced in January.

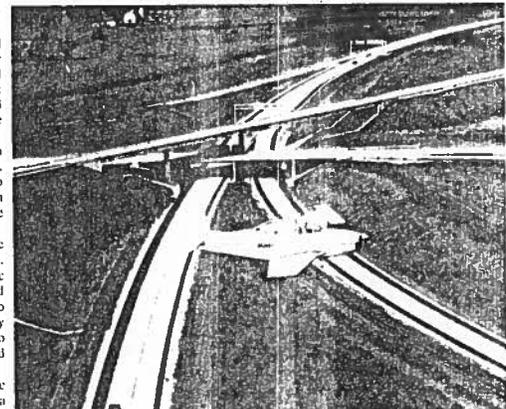
The aviation career of the chairman of the commission, Mr. Loening, dates back to 1910 when he received his M.A. in aeronautics from Columbia University, the first such degree awarded in America. Over the years, he has authored numerous books and articles and lectured on the subject of American aviation. He built a pioneer Aeroboot in 1912 and the next year managed Orville Wright's Dayton factory. Loening held numerous government and industrial positions, including that of vice president of the Sturtevant Aeroplane Company where he developed the first U.S. steel frame airplane, in 1915. After World War I, he produced the "Flying Yacht", a five-seat monoplane-boat whose records earned him the prized Collier Trophy in 1921. Other honors include the Medal of Merit, the Eggleston

Medal of Columbia University, the Wright Memorial Trophy, the Air Force Medal and the Guggenheim Medal in 1960 for a "lifetime devoted to the development of aeronautics in America."

Colonel Byrd, the vice chairman of the National Teen-Age Air Derby, is considered one of the most energetic of Texas' storied oilmen-industrialists. He was, for example, one of the organizers of the massive conglomerate corporation, Ling-Temco-Vought, Inc., which recently acquired Braniff Airways. He is the recipient of numerous honors and citations from the War Department, the Navy and the Air Force for contributions to aviation. He was recently cited at the National College Educators Aviation Association as the "individual outside the education profession who has contributed most of the spread of aviation knowledge."

Colonel Byrd began his private flying career in 1924. He helped prepare the Antarctic Expedition of his cousin, the famous Admiral Richard Byrd. He was for many years chairman of the board of the Civil Air Patrol, now is its chairman emeritus, and has a deep interest in the CAP's cadet program involving aviation minded teenagers around the world. Byrd helped found the CAP shortly before Pearl Harbor, as noted, and contributed 13 of his own planes to the war effort for submarine patrols off the American coast.

Grove, Bencke, Miller, Inc., with offices in New York, Dallas and other cities will be the national coordinator of the Derby.



Aircraft that CAP Cadets may be flying during the Teen-Age Air Derby.

A SEVENFOLD RETURN

The Palm Beach Cadet Squadron, started out to sponsor a child through the "Save the Children Federation," and ended up with a family of seven.

The Nguyen Dien family is from the Cuong De hamlet in Vietnam, a fisherman's hamlet facing the sea on the outskirts of Qui Nhon.

The cadets have been sending the family \$15 a month for six months, according to Major Angela Wooten. Each cadet brings in whatever amount he wants to contribute. They are currently readying a box of things including soap, books, pencils and paper to send to the family.

According to the case history compiled by G. DeFicquionnet, the SCF General Director in Vietnam, the family was chosen because of their insufficient resources. The father is ill the hospital with tuberculosis and is unable to work as a peddler selling in nearby villages and the eldest son, 17, works as a daily laborer for a fisherman, sometimes from 5 a.m. to 4 p.m.

"We picked Vietnam because we are a military organization and are concerned about backing the troops. This is one way to help, Major Wooten said. "We have nine or ten men who were in the squadron and are now in Vietnam."

The cadets have written two letters to the family and have received one from the grandfather.

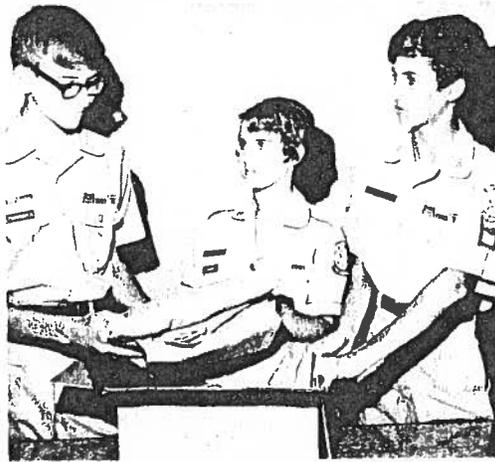
The Director has warned the cadets that although families feel deeply for their sponsors, they do not write much. Most are illiterate and need the help of a more educated person to write a letter. Furthermore, they don't understand what to write about and are shy and embarrassed.

The Nguyen Dien family includes five sons ages 17, 10, 8, 5, and 2. They have had a hard life because of the war. They were natives of a hamlet which was attacked by the communists. As a result of the battle the villagers lost everything in the fires.

Nguyen Dien's family was forced to leave and arrived at Cuong Dy, according to the report. Jobs were scarce and they began to lose hope of a better life. The Committee of Cuong Dy helped them start life over and they were allowed to construct a tiny hut - four by three meters with two rooms, a bedroom and a kitchen.

Not only do the sponsors receive periodic reports from the field office about their family the reports describe the general conditions in Vietnam: "Families in refugee camps are in pitifully overcrowded conditions. In villages they live in typical bamboo or mud houses with thatched roofs, which they build themselves. The houses are poor and consist generally of one room with a beaten earth floor and practically no furniture, electricity, water or basic hygiene.

Of course the basic crop is rice and



Cadets Henry Postrozny, Barbara Cleaver, and Durwood Hunter pack a box to send to the Vietnamese family the squadron has been sponsoring for six months.

the SCF in liaison with agricultural experts is helping the people grow vegetables.

OF the Vietnamese children the report said: "They are attaching very friendly, very undisciplined. Their health is fair they never go hungry but suffer from malnutrition.

The worst problems are lack of hygiene and their parents ignorance. "They love school," it continues, "but many cannot attend or have gone only two or three years because there is no school in the village or because they have been refugees and now their parents need help in the fields."

The aim of the SCF is to help the people help themselves by providing encouragement. The goal is helping communities through helping the individual families.

The Federation was incorporated in New York in 1932. It aids children and their families in communities in Southern Appalachian mountain areas, American Indian Reservations and in many countries overseas.

The Federation is registered with the U.S. State Department advisory committee on Voluntary Foreign Aid and is a member of the International Union for Child Welfare and the American Council of Voluntary Agencies for Foreign Service.

EDITORS COMMENT: This activity and project that has been undertaken by the Palm Beach Cadet Squadron is truly representative of what a Florida Wing unit can do. They are to be congratulated on their outstanding service.

THEY'RE IN THE ARMY NOW

Two former CAP Cadet Captains Keith Dobson and Eddie Lovelady, are now serving in Viet Nam as members of the U.S. Army.

Two former cadets were in the Jacksonville Cadet Squadron, and worked side by side for four years. Keith obtained the position of Cadet Commander while Eddie served as his Cadet Executive Officer. Both cadets began their cadet training program at the same time and progressed through the Cadet Program to be awarded the Amelia Earhart and Billy Mitchell Awards.

Keith is now a Warrant Officer in the Army serving as a helicopter pilot. Eddie is a door gunner on a helicopter gunship.

WO Dobson took his basic training at Fort Polk, Louisiana and was transferred to Fort Waller, Texas for primary helicopter training. To complete his pilot training, he was transferred to Hunter Army Airfield at Savannah, Georgia. There he received his grade of Warrant Officer on August 26, and on the 27th of August he received his pilot's wings. In mid September he left for Viet Nam.

Eddie completed his basic training at Fort Benning, Georgia and attended communications school to be assigned as a lineman in the U.S. Army Signal Corps. His first assignment was at Camp Raw, Bay, Viet Nam, where he completed a 13 month tour.

It hopes that they could one time work together as a team. Eddie has

extended his tour for six more months to serve with Keith as his door gunner. The two former cadets have advised that they developed their interest and desires for flying and a military life from their active Civil Air Patrol careers.



Mrs. Dobson, mother of Keith L. Dobson, plus on his helicopter pilot wings after graduating from the U.S. Army Helicopter School.

IN MEMORIAM...

James O. Holmes, III

CWO James O. Holmes, III, CAP, was buried with full CAP Honors in Hollywood Memorial Gardens on Tuesday, September 24th.

A member of the Hollywood Cadet Squadron, CWO Holmes served as the Deputy for Cadets.

His death resulted from the crash of his light airplane on September 20, near Volusia County.

Holmes was born in Mobile, Alabama on July 10, 1948. He lived with his family at 601 SW 67th Avenue in Pembroke Pines.

He joined the Hollywood Cadet Squadron on November 4, 1965, and was awarded his Billy Mitchell Award and Certificate of Proficiency, December 27, 1967. In January, 1968 he transferred his membership to senior status and was promoted to the grade of Warrant Officer and appointed the Unit's Operations Officer. In July 1968, he was promoted to Chief Warrant Officer and assumed the position of Deputy for Cadets.

He graduated in 1966 from Nova High School and was attending Miami-Dade Junior College, in Miami, where

he was studying Aeronautical Engineering.

A private pilot and owner of his own Cessna 150, he was on a cross country flight to Jacksonville, to help fulfill his requirements for his commercial license, when his aircraft apparently ran into extra heavy turbulence and he crashed in the village of Osteen, Florida.

Over 100 members of the Civil Air Patrol from Broward and Dale counties, attended the funeral services for Holmes. Six CAP Cadet Officers served as pall bearers with four senior N.C.C.O.'s serving as color guards. Six members of his 1966 Nova High School graduating class acted as honorary pall bearers. Members of his college fraternity Sigma Alpha Iota in Miami attended in a body. As the last rites of "lasts" was sounded by Cadet Captain Mike Murphy, a skyways Aviation Mooney aircraft, which had been circling overhead during the entire service, then flew over the grave site and dipped his wings in a final salute to a CAP member who loved flying next to life itself.

Earl Baldwin

On Friday, September 6, members of the Hollywood Cadet Squadron, joined with other CAP members of Broward County to pay last respects to a former CAP Cadet and Senior Member, Earl Baldwin.

He served as a cadet in Oakland Park Cadet Squadron. Baldwin was awarded the Billy Mitchell and Amelia Earhart Awards and attained the rank of Cadet Captain. He also served as the Cadet Commander.

As a senior member, prior to entering the service, he was instrumental in forming the Moose Lodge # 983 CAP Cadet Squadron, where he served as its senior commander.

He entered the service shortly after his eighteenth birthday. Baldwin selected to be trained with the US Army Special Forces, earned the right to wear the coveted "Green Beret", and was commissioned a 2nd Lt.

He was killed in action in Viet Nam on Monday, August 26, 1968.

The cadre of CAP Cadets included members of Oakland Park Squadron as well as Moose Lodge # 983 Cadet Squadron and the Hollywood Cadet Squadron. Under the supervision of Warrant Officer Jim Romo and U.S. Jerry Masou, they formed an Honor Guard by the flag draped casket during

the two hour service on Friday, at the Kalks Funeral Home. On Saturday the 7th, Earl Baldwin was buried in Lauderdale Memorial Park with full military honors.

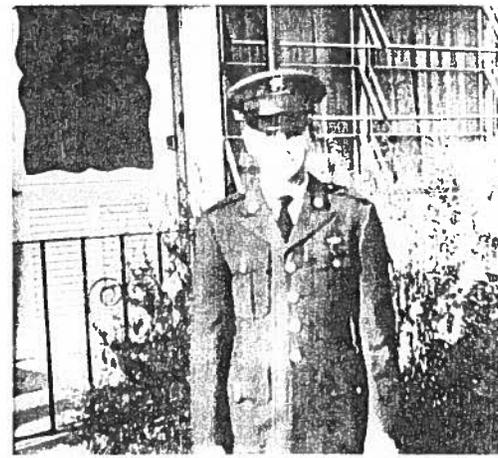
WINGS



Captain Paul Turner, Commander of the North Dale Senior Squadron, presents Senior Member Julian Aderman, Squadron Executive Officer, his Command Pilot's Wings and Certificate. SM Aderman met the necessary requirements to receive Civil Air Patrol's highest aeronautical rating by serving actively as a CAP pilot for five years and logging over 4,000 of flying time.

1968 FLORIDA WING MISSION STATISTICS

Mission Number	Date	Type Miss.	Series	Hours	Found/Saved	By	CAP Srs/Cod	# of A-1	
EARRC (Assist) -02	9 Jan 68	SAR			4/2				
EARRC -10	19 Feb 68	SAR	0	0:0	1/0	Forestry	71:50	4	
EARRC -11	19 Feb 68	DE	4	7:4:00				1	
SARCAP	5 Mar 68	SAR	65	128:45	Yes	CAP	190:195	40	
EARRC (Assist) -15	6 Mar 68	SAR	67	130:09	1/0		75:55	31	
EARRC -16	Mar 68								
EARRC -17	7 Mar 68								
EARRC -18	10 Mar 68	SAR	20	22:43	2/0	CAP	26:40	11	
EARRC -21	11 Mar 68	SAR	10	13:50	1/0	Forestry	25:0	5	
EARRC (Assist) -30	29 Mar 68	SAR	19	30:00		CAP	17:2	11	
EARRC -35	5 Apr 68	SAR	0	0	2/2	Forestry		11	
EARRC -36	14 Apr 68	SAR	0	0	2/0	Civilian	20:0	0	
EARRC -37	20 Apr 68	SAR	0	0	---		11:2	0	
EARRC -45	7 June 68	SAR	41	80:30	---		93:57	23	
EARRC (Assist) -48	9 June 68	SAR	168	607:00	0/0		119:69	---	
EARRC -51	16 June 68	DE	0	0	2/2	CAP	0/0	0	
EARRC -57	23 June 68	SAR	0	0	---	Police	0/0	0	
EARRC (Assist) -67	13 July 68	SAR	0	0	---				
EARRC -75	4 Aug 68	SAR	8	9:40	---	Self	---	---	
EARRC -84	2 Sept 68	SAR	168	607:00	0/0		119:69	---	
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Army Specialist Eddie Lovelady home on leave after a 13 month tour in Viet Nam.

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This year's Information Officer's meeting will have as its primary program the new Florida Wing Information Program. LColonel William G. Kobos, Director of Information, advises, "after reviewing the Information Program for 1967-68, and with the changes in the National Information Program, that will go into effect December 1, 1968, the Florida Wing Information Program will be changed." He stated, "the 1968-69 Information Program, will be designed to give each Information Officer at each level, a simplified system of implementing the program." LColonel Kobos, elaborated, "one of the major problems that has hindered the effectiveness of the I.O. Program is the reporting schedule. We have designed the Florida Wing Information Program to follow the National Information Program so that reports will be sent in quarterly."

Direct membership, personnel records and the National and Florida Wing IBM system are just a few of the topics that will be covered in the Personnel Section, according to LColonel Ray Kramer, Florida Wing Deputy for Administration and Personnel. He advised, the personnel section requirements of a CAP unit are being simplified to eliminate a certain amount of the paper work required previously.

The agenda for the Cadet Meeting is, according to Major William R. Breeze, going to include the detailed information of the various "Track" schedules of the Cadet Program. In addition, the new Cadet Special Activities including the new Florida Wing Ranger Program and other National Activities will be explained. Major Breeze stated, "seniors as well as cadets should attend this meeting, primarily to be informed of the proper procedures of implementing an effective cadet program within the units of Florida Wing."

A special meeting designed specifically for sector, group and squadron commander's, will be conducted by Colonel William R. Bass. He advised, "the various unit commander's, not only need the information that is going to be made available, but should, as a unit commander be directly informed of the new policies and procedures of the Florida Wing." He further stated, "Florida Wing has progressed, but progress for a Florida Wing Unit can only be furthered with the active interest, participation and effective leadership of the unit commander."

LColonel Edwin K. Johnson, Deputy for Operations for the Florida Wing, along with LColonel Richard C. Lockman, Deputy Wing Commander and Major Forrest O. Rand, Air Operations Officer, will conduct the Operations Meeting. Aircraft availability and utilization along with the Florida Wing "AFX Program" will be a few of the agenda items.

In conjunction with the Operations Meeting, LColonel Sumner Cohen, Director of Emergency Services, will conduct the emergency services portion. Both search and rescue as well as Civil Defense procedures will be covered. The Task Force organization along with personnel responsibilities will be among the highlights.

According to Captain Paul Reid, Director of Communications, "our communications meeting this year is scheduled to be one of the most informative that has been held in the Florida Wing." He stated, "with the new single side band and proposed radio acquisition program, the communicators within the Florida Wing should have one of the most effective radio networks in CAP." Communicators within the wing will not only be informed of progress for the future of the CAP communication program but will learn of the technical advancements in equipment.

Like the Air Force, one team that is important to make it a healthy organization, is the medical section. LColonel Robert Saber, Florida Wing Medical Officer, has scheduled for the Medical Officers, a most informative program. It will cover among items such as appointments and direct responsibilities of the CAP Medical Officer.

The full day of cadet evaluation for special activities, the busy day of informative and productive meetings, are brought to a close with the Annual Awards Banquet. Colonel Bass advised, "the members of the organization who are due recognition for their outstanding accomplishments, service and unexcelled contributions will be presented the appropriate awards." He further stated, "many members who are to be present will be acknowledged for their support and assistance in conducting the CAP Program in the Florida Wing. The award may be only a trophy, ribbon or certificate, but the appreciation for what has been accomplished is the important award. If we could, we would give everyone an award, but some are deserving of special recognition, that's the purpose of this annual event."

Mr. John V. Sorenson, Assistant Director of Aerospace Education from National Headquarters CAP USAF, will be the guest speaker at the banquet. The quality of speech that Mr. Sorenson delivers is said to be one that will generate every man, woman and cadet into being a more knowledgeable person about themselves and the people around them.

Following the Awards Banquet is the Annual Military Ball. This year's ball, as explained by Colonel Bass, "will be one of the finest, with a band that will meet with everyone's approval." As in the past the first part of the Ball is designed for everyone's enjoyment. Then comes the time that every cadet and senior has been waiting for, the announcement of the cadets who have been selected to represent the Florida Wing and Civil Air Patrol in the 1969 Special Activities Program.

Sunday morning the Wing Commander's Call and breakfast is scheduled to be a final analysis of the previous days meetings. Colonel Bass advises, "the meeting will conclude a most educational and beneficial conference for every member in the Florida Wing."

There will be no registration fee. The tickets for the banquet and ball will be \$7.00. Members are urged to obtain their tickets early from Colonel William R. Bass, Post Office Box 4127, Patrick AFB, Florida 32925.

FLORIDA WING ANNUAL MEETING

Members from all units in the Florida Wing, are scheduled to converge on the Robert Meyer Motor Hotel, in Orlando, November 29, 30 and 31. This will be the Sixth Annual Wing Meeting, Awards Banquet and Military Ball.

Colonel William R. Bass, Commander Florida Wing, announced that, "this year's Annual Meeting is scheduled to be the largest ever held in the Florida Wing." He further stated, "the agenda for events and meetings have been planned to be enjoyable as well as educational."

The activity will begin on Friday morning, with the evaluation of cadets who plan to participate in the 1969 Cadet Special Activities Program. The cadets will be given a 100 question examination that will cover Aerospace Education, Leadership, CAP Knowledge and Moral Leadership.

After the cadets have been administered the exam they will appear before an evaluation board, that will be composed of senior officers, all of whom served as former cadets and participated in the Cadet Special Activities Program. The evaluation process will be handled different from previous years. The cadets who appear before the board will be evaluated on their uniform, attitude, military bearing and general knowledge.

According to Major William R. Breeze, Florida Wing Director of Cadets, "the cadet evaluation is so designed to fairly evaluate and select the outstanding cadets to represent the Florida Wing in the Civil Air Patrol Cadet Special Activities Program." He further stated, "that the process has changes this year, that will better determine who the outstanding cadets in the wing are." Elaborating further, Major Breeze stated, "the selection of the members Selection Board and the personnel who wrote the exam and who will conduct the evaluation, have been selected based on their abilities, knowledge and experience in the CAP Cadet Program. We feel the people selected for the various responsibilities are qualified and will do an outstanding job."

Major Louis Patmore, Chaplain for Florida Wing, will conduct the Annual Wing Chaplains Conference on Friday morning. He has advised the chaplains meeting will cover the new chaplain's program and activities for both cadet and senior units.

Saturday morning, meetings will begin with the Cadet Advisory Council, being chaired by Florida Wing Cadet Advisory Council Chairman, Cadet Colonel George Mead. Group and squadron council members will discuss the CAP Cadet Program in the Florida Wing and its advantages as well as the progress for the past year and the projections in the future.

Scheduled for 10:00 am, is the General Assembly of all members, both senior and cadet. Colonel William R. Bass, will announce the past year ratings and introduce new programs and policies for each area for the coming year.

Following the General Assembly the various section meetings will be administered by the respective Florida Wing Staff Officer.

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