

STATE OF NEVADA

**REPORT OF THE
ADJUTANT GENERAL
OF
NEVADA**

**For the Fiscal Years
1959 and 1960**

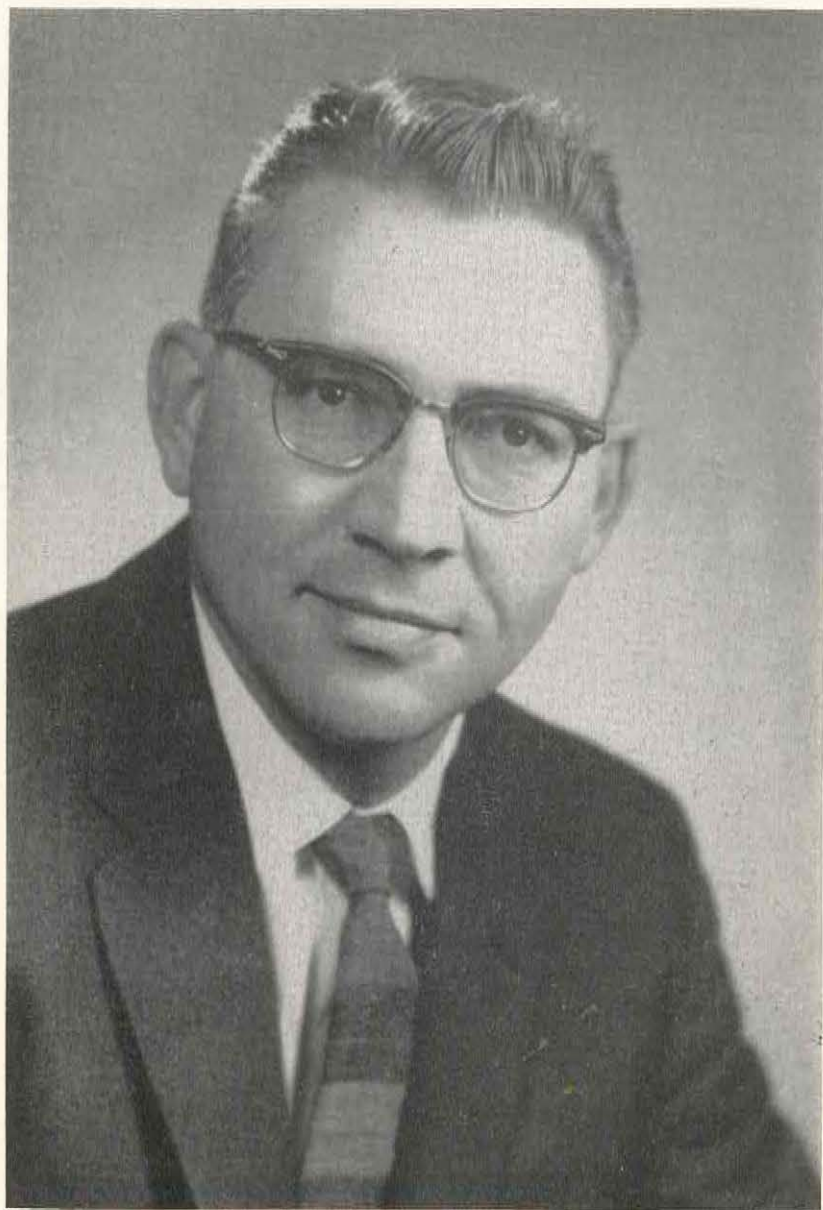
**JAMES A. MAY
Major General, N.N.G.
The Adjutant General**



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The Honorable Grant Sawyer, Commander in Chief,
Nevada National Guard

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NEVADA NATIONAL GUARD
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CARSON CITY, 30 June, 1960.

*His Excellency, GRANT SAWYER, Governor and Commander in Chief,
Executive Chambers, State Capitol Building.*

SIR: It is with a feeling of great satisfaction I submit this, my seventh biennial report of the Office of the Adjutant General of Nevada, covering the activities and accomplishments of the Military Department and the Office of the Adjutant General for the fiscal years 1959 and 1960, and in reviewing some of the major progress during the past fourteen years.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES A. MAY,
*Major General, N.N.G.,
Adjutant General of Nevada.*



Major General James A. May
The Adjutant General

ADJUTANTS GENERAL OF NEVADA

TERRITORIAL

H. P. RUSSELL.....	1862-1864
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STATE

JOHN CRADLEBAUGH.....	1865-1866
CHAUNCEY N. NOTEWARE.....	1867-1870
JAMES D. MINOR.....	1871-1874
J. W. ADAMS.....	1875-1882
CHARLES E. LAUGHTON.....	1883-1886
H. C. DAVIS.....	1887-1889
S. W. CHUBBUCK.....	1889
FRANK BELL.....	1889-1890
C. H. GALUSHIA.....	1890
J. POUJADE.....	1891-1894
C. H. GALUSHIA.....	1895-1898
GEO. W. COWING.....	1898
JAMES R. JUDGE.....	1899-1902
LEMUEL ALLEN.....	1903-1906
D. S. DICKERSON.....	1907-1910
GILBERT C. ROSS.....	1911-1914
MAURICE J. SULLIVAN.....	1915-1926
JAY H. WHITE.....	1927-1947
MARLOWE M. MERRICK*	1947
JAMES A. MAY†.....	1947

*Marlowe M. Merrick, appointed 1 July, 1947, resigned 3 September, 1947.

†James A. May, appointed 3 September, 1947, reappointed 3 April, 1951, 3 January, 1955 and 19 January, 1959.

BIENNIAL REPORT OF THE ADJUTANT GENERAL

POLICIES OF DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY AND DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE RELATING TO THE NATIONAL GUARD

I. DEFINITION

A. NATIONAL GUARD

The National Guard of the United States and the Air National Guard of the United States are integral parts and first-line reserve components of the Army of the United States and the United States Air Force. The National Guard of the States and Territories continues to exist and, in time of national emergency, may be called or ordered into the Army of the United States and the United States Air Force through its National Guard of the United States status. All federally recognized units and elements of the Active National Guard and the personnel of the Inactive National Guard of the several States, Territories, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico, together, constitute the National Guard of the United States.

II. MISSIONS

A. Armed Forces Reserve Act of 1952 (Public Law 476, 82d Congress) Section 201(a) states as follows: "The Congress hereby declares that the reserve components of the Armed Forces of the United States are maintained for the purpose of providing trained units and qualified individuals to be available for active duty in the Armed Forces of the United States in time of war or national emergency, and at such other times as the national security may require, to meet the requirements of the Armed Forces in excess of those of the Regular components thereof, during and after the period needed for procurement and training of additional trained units and qualified individuals to achieve the planned mobilization."

B. The law as further defined states that the National Guard of the United States is to provide a Reserve component of the Army and the Air Force capable of immediate expansion to war strength, able to furnish units fit for service anywhere in the world, trained and equipped to:

1. Defend critical areas of the United States against land, seaborne or airborne invasion.
2. Assist in covering the mobilization and concentration of the remainder of the reserve forces.
3. Participate by units in all types of operations, including the offensive, either in the United States or overseas.

C. Section 64, Militia Laws of Nevada as quoted: "Whenever the governor, in his judgment, shall deem it necessary for the public safety he may call into active service of the State, for the causes and purposes for which he may call the national guard into the active service of the State, any such military company or organization, and such military company or organization shall rendezvous and report for active service

at such time and place and to such officer as the governor shall designate, and shall enter the active service of the State and obey all lawful orders and commands as shall be issued by the governor or any officer placed in command by his orders, in the manner as if such military company or organization were a part of the national guard, and the members of such military company or organization when called into active service by order of the governor shall be subject to all military penalties and punishments for violation of the orders of the governor, or of any officer placed in command of such organization by order of the governor, as are the members of the national guard, and shall be subject to the articles of war, the rules and regulations governing the national guard, and shall receive the same pay and allowances while in active service as the members of the national guard; and provided, however, the students in educational institutions where military science is a part of the course of instruction shall be exempt from the provisions of this Act."

Section 26: "Nothing in the preceding section shall authorize or permit the National Guard of Nevada to be called into active service by the commander-in-chief in the event of disturbances arising from any labor trouble, strike or lockout within this State, but public peace shall be preserved by the Nevada state police."

III. FEDERAL AND STATE RESPONSIBILITY

A. THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

1. Providing the pay of federally recognized personnel for participation in authorized inactive duty training and active duty for training, including appropriate duty or duties and periods of equivalent duty or training and administrative pay.
2. The procurement and issue of uniforms, arms, equipment and supplies.
3. To appropriate a sum of money annually for the expense of providing ordnance stores, quartermaster stores, camp equipage and to contribute to state fund an equitable share of the expense of construction and maintenance of certain training facilities, as are now or may later be authorized by law.
4. Audit and inspect National Guard Units, Army and Air, and accounts and records of the United States Property and Fiscal Officer.
5. Provide active Army and Air Force personnel as advisors for National Guard Units.

B. THE NATIONAL GUARD BUREAU

1. Administer approved joint Army and Air Force policies other than those relative to training, when such policies are applicable to both the Army National Guard not in the federal service and the Air National Guard not in the federal service and with promulgating joint Army-Air Force directive applicable to both the Army and Air National Guard, including those policies relative to training.
2. Functioning as the channel of communication between the Departments of the Army and Air Force and the State of all matters pertaining to the Army and Air National Guard.

3. Maintaining an office of record of all Department of the Army and Air Force records pertaining to the Army and Air National Guard not in the federal service.

C. THE STATE GOVERNMENT

1. Subject to such qualifications for federal recognition as may be established by the Secretary of the Army and Air Force, appoint, promote, transfer, assign and separate personnel of the National Guard, Army and Air.
2. Provide training and storage facilities, except as contributed to by the Federal Government.
3. To train officers, warrant officers and enlisted personnel of the National Guard, Army and Air.
4. To properly account for and maintain all federal property and funds.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Expenditures for the administration, training, maintenance and operation of the Adjutant General and Nevada National Guard for the fiscal years 1959 and 1960 are as follows:

	FY 1959	FY 1960
Salaries	\$28,122.79	\$28,742.67
Travel	1,409.10	2,235.44
Stationery and supplies	11,691.09	9,819.67
Repairs	4,468.95	16,795.85
Heat	16,016.26	20,285.34
Power	14,924.54	20,021.55
Water	190.68	372.05
Retirement	995.62	1,290.74
OASI	584.00	346.00
Industrial insurance	2,724.00	4,140.00
Rifle Association		505.55
Telephone	5,309.66	6,745.73
Rent and maintenance	6,416.63	7,702.86
Printing	638.69	240.07
Miscellaneous	2,704.60	739.46
Equipment	6,444.40	11,200.89
Street assessment	895.25	
	<u>\$103,536.26</u>	<u>\$131,183.87</u>
Balance on hand 30 June, 1958		\$78,243.79
Government reimbursement 1959		26,124.44
		<u>\$104,368.23</u>
Disbursements FY 1959		103,536.26
Reverted to General Fund		\$831.97
Appropriation 1 July, 1960		\$75,515.00
Federal reimbursements FY 1960		47,172.05
From Adjutant General's Special Account		8,511.95
		<u>\$131,199.00</u>
Disbursements FY 1960		131,183.87
Reverted to General Fund		\$15.13

EXPENDITURES FOR ARMORY CONSTRUCTION PROGRAM OF THE NEVADA NATIONAL GUARD

	FY 1959	FY 1960
Plans and specifications	\$1,324.51	\$658.31
Construction	77,198.51	25,886.27
	<u>\$78,523.02</u>	<u>\$26,544.58</u>
Balance on hand 30 June, 1958		\$265,755.12
Disbursements FY 1959 and FY 1960		105,067.60
Balance on hand 30 June, 1960		<u>\$160,687.52</u>

FEDERAL SUPPORT OF THE NEVADA NATIONAL GUARD

(Army and Air) FY 1959-1960

Expenditures for Armory and Non-Armory construction of the Nevada National Guard were as follows:

	FY 1959	FY 1960
Plans and specifications	\$8,586.15	
Construction	249,618.44	
	<u>\$258,204.59</u>	
Balance on hand 30 June, 1958		\$278,529.94
Appropriation 1 July, 1958		264,716.98
		<u>\$543,246.92</u>
Disbursements FY 1959 and FY 1960		543,171.92
Balance on hand 30 June, 1960		<u>\$75.00</u>

**Federal Support of the Nevada National Guard
(Army and Air) FY 1959-1960**

Construction—		
Army—	\$264,626.05	
Air—	782,030.66	
Total construction		\$1,046,656.71
Salaries—		
Army—	\$1,000,533.38	
Air—	1,495,882.24	
Total salaries		\$2,496,415.62
Employer's contribution for Social Security—		
Army—	\$22,361.99	
Air—	32,775.63	
Total contribution		\$55,137.62
Service schools—		
Army—	\$121,413.85	
Air—	84,626.51	
Total service schools		\$206,040.36
Annual active duty for training—		
Army—	\$336,093.79	
Air—	133,569.84	
Total annual active duty for training		\$469,663.63
Advisor support (to be obtained from the Advisor Groups)—		
Army—	\$243,934.80	
Air—	57,249.26	
Total advisor support		\$301,184.06

**Major Equipment, Repair Parts, and Other Miscellaneous Operating
Supplies on Hand as of 30 June, 1960**

Army (estimates)—		
Chemical Corps materiel	\$2,000.00	
Engineer Corps materiel	200,000.00	
Medical Corps materiel	8,000.00	
Ordnance Corps materiel	5,626,000.00	
QM Corps materiel	270,000.00	
Signal Corps materiel	865,000.00	
T/C Corps Avn. materiel	50,000.00	
Total Army		\$7,021,000.00
Air—		
Supplies, Gen. less A/C	\$2,922,210.51	
Aircraft	15,084,059.00	
Total Air		\$18,006,269.51

Recapitulation of Federal Funds in Support of NNG

Construction	\$1,046,656.71	
Salaries	2,496,415.62	
Employer's contribution FICA	55,137.62	
Service schools	206,040.36	
Advisor support	301,184.06	
Annual active duty for training	469,663.63	
Equipment (Army)	7,021,000.00	
Equipment (Air)	18,006,269.51	
Armory drill	484,903.24	
		\$30,087,270.75



Lt. Col. Earl A. Edmunds
United States Property
and Fiscal Officer



Col. Melvin C. Ruedy
State Maintenance
Officer

SUPPORT PERSONNEL FOR THE NEVADA NATIONAL GUARD

Following is a list of support personnel and a brief summary of their duties as affecting the Nevada National Guard:

UNITED STATES PROPERTY AND FISCAL OFFICER

The United States Property and Fiscal Officer (USP&FO) is a federally recognized officer occupying a table of organization vacancy on the Staff of the Adjutant General. He is on active duty with the Army or Air Force and is assigned to the National Guard Bureau, Washington, D. C., with duty station in Carson City. He is required to give good and sufficient bond to the United States, the amount thereof to be determined by the Secretary of the Army. His mission is to procure, receive, store, issue and maintain property accountability for the Army and Air National Guard, to purchase items authorized for local purchase, prepare civilian payrolls and other vouchers pertaining to payment for expenditures on behalf of the Army and Air National Guard involving federal funds. He enters into contracts and leases on behalf of the Government. He initiates and processes bills of lading and transportation of personnel and equipment. It is also his duty to advise and assist the Adjutant General of fund requirements and prepare the necessary requests for these funds. His immediate office staff is comprised of male personnel, all members of the National Guard, with the exception of those few positions such as typists and stenographers.

STATE MAINTENANCE OFFICER

The State Maintenance Officer (SMO) is charged with the following duties in relation to the Nevada National Guard: To supervise the proper care, servicing, use, inspection and repair of all federal (Army) equipment issued to the National Guard; to supervise and standardize the establishment and allocation of State Maintenance Shops; to insure preparation of instruction for the proper use and maintenance of equipment and to render all possible assistance in matters relating to maintenance; to study requirements for tools and other maintenance equipment necessary for the upkeep, repair and conditioning of Army equipment issued to the National Guard. The SMO operates under the Adjutant General and is responsible to him for the preparation of plans and policies and directs all activities concerning the maintenance and repair of federal property issued to the State for use of the National Guard, including Army property issued to the Air National Guard. He acts as Technical Advisor to the Adjutant General and USP&FO in all matters pertaining to the maintenance of chemical, engineer, medical, ordnance, signal and quartermaster property in the possession of the National Guard of the State. He is responsible for the efficient operation of the State Maintenance Shop. It is his duty to promulgate orders and/or instructions through command channels pertinent to organizational maintenance, to coordinate the evacuation of all equipment requiring repair by a higher echelon of maintenance. He will conduct periodic inspections of equipment in the hands of the units

and advise commanding officers as to corrective action to be taken. He will maintain liaison with representatives of the Technical Services at Army level.

SENIOR ARMY ADVISOR

Col. Samuel S. Neill, U. S. Army, has been the Advisor to the Army National Guard for the past two years.

SENIOR AIR ADVISOR

In October, 1960 our Senior Air Advisor, Maj. Moss K. Fletcher, will be replaced by Maj. Charles F. Parker. Maj. Fletcher will attend school and then fly the F-105 at Las Vegas.



Col. Samuel S. Neill
Senior Army Advisor

ORGANIZATION OF THE NEVADA NATIONAL GUARD

AIR

Unit	Commanding Officer	Location	Date of federal recognition	Officers	Warrant Officers	Enlisted Men
Hq. Nevada Air National Guard.....	B/G Jack LaGrange, Jr.....	Carson City.....	10 Dec., 1951.....	4	1	5
Hq. 152d Fighter Group (AD).....	Lt. Col. James W. Dalzell.....	Reno.....	19 Apr., 1958.....	13	1	31
152d Consolidated Acft. Maint. Sqdn.....	Lt. Col. Gustave L. Welsh.....	Reno.....	19 Apr., 1958.....	7	3	227
152d Air Base Sqdn.....	Lt. Col. Tilly P. Botti.....	Reno.....	19 Apr., 1958.....	12	2	207
152d USAF Disp.....	Lt. Col. Sylvanus Landis.....	Reno.....	19 Apr., 1958.....	9	....	18
192d Fighter Interceptor Sqdn.....	Lt. Col. Ashley Van Slyck.....	Reno.....	12 Apr., 1948.....	31	....	15

ARMY

Hq. and Hq. Detachment, NARNG.....	Col. Melvin C. Ruedy.....	Carson City.....	13 Nov., 1947.....	10	4	8
Hq. 121st Arty. Group (AD).....	Lt. Col. Wm. A. Reinken.....	Reno.....	19 Jan., 1949.....	14	5	65
Hq. Btry., 121st Arty. Group (AD).....	2d Lt. Dallas M. Byington.....	Reno.....	19 Jan., 1949.....	....	....	....
Hq. 1st Gun Bn. (Skys), 221st Arty.....	Lt. Col. Floyd L. Edsall.....	Reno.....	19 Jan., 1949.....	10	4	58
Hq. Btry., 1st Gun (Skys), 221st Arty.....	Capt. George M. Twaddle.....	Reno.....	19 Jan., 1949.....	....	....	....
Btry. A, 1st Gun Bn., 221st Arty.....	1st Lt. James E. Wilson.....	Fallon.....	1 Aug., 1951.....	2	....	49
Btry. B, 1st Gun Bn., 221st Arty.....	Capt. John M. Trendler.....	Winnemucca.....	14 Nov., 1947.....	2	....	49
Btry. C, 1st Gun Bn., 221st Arty.....	Capt. Lewis W. Caple, Jr.....	Elko.....	25 May, 1948.....	3	....	58
Hq. and Hq. 2d Gun Bn., 221st Arty.....	Maj. Garland L. Barnaby.....	Las Vegas.....	23 Jan., 1948.....	6	4	84
Hq. Btry., 2d Gun Bn., 221st Arty.....	1st Lt. Thomas E. Rowland.....	Las Vegas.....	23 Jan., 1948.....	....	....	....
Btry. A, 2d Gun Bn., 221st Arty.....	Capt. Jack K. Horner.....	Ely.....	25 June, 1948.....	2	....	78
Btry. B, 2d Gun Bn., 221st Arty.....	1st Lt. Melvin M. Winsor.....	Yerington.....	1 Jan., 1952.....	3	....	57
Btry. C, 2d Gun Bn., 221st Arty.....	1st Lt. Edgar R. Conklin, Jr.....	Hawthorne.....	4 Dec., 1952.....	2	....	52
3d Detachment (Air Target).....	2d Lt. Wallace A. Taylor.....	Minden.....	2 Aug., 1951.....	1	....	12
150th Ordnance (DAS).....	1st Lt. Duane E. Berning.....	Carson City.....	13 Nov., 1947.....	7	1	42
102d Ordnance Detachment (DA).....	CWO-W-2 James Thorpe.....	Carson City.....	22 Apr., 1956.....	....	1	11
104th Ordnance Detachment (CD).....	WO-W-1 Newell W. Matheson*.....	Las Vegas.....	1 Apr., 1959.....	....	....	6
105th Ordnance Detachment (CD).....	WO-W-1 Newell W. Matheson.....	Las Vegas.....	1 Apr., 1959.....	....	1	4
106th Pub. Info. Detachment (FS).....	1st Lt. Charles A. Long.....	Reno.....	15 May, 1960.....	1	....	2
401st Ordnance Detachment (CD).....	CWO-W-2 William W. Franklin.....	Reno.....	27 Apr., 1956.....	1	7
402d Ordnance Detachment (CD).....	CWO-W-2 Daniel L. Whitcome.....	Reno.....	27 Apr., 1956.....	1	5

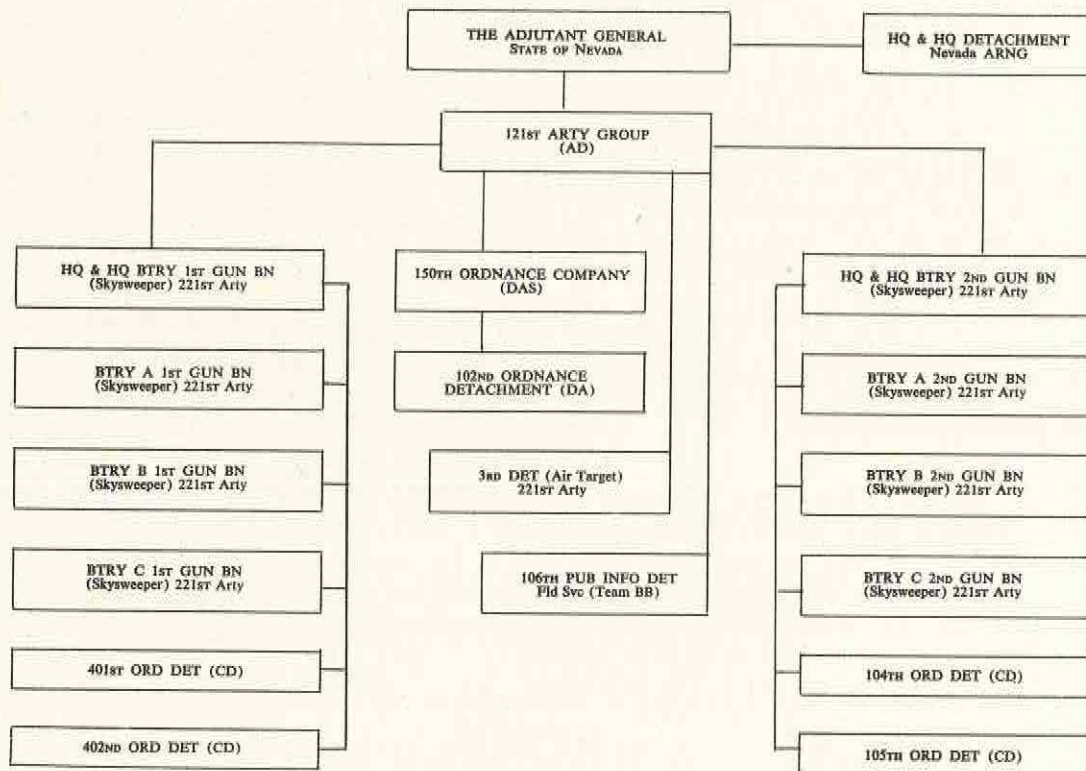
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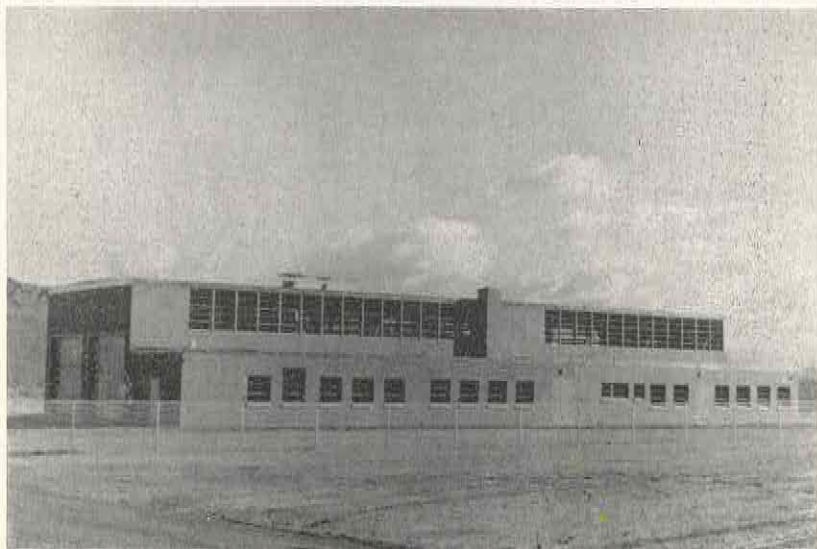
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ARMY COMMAND STRUCTURE—ORGANIZATIONAL CHART





New Armory at Yerington, Nevada



Combined Field Maintenance Shop at Carson City, Nevada

NEVADA ARMY NATIONAL GUARD 1959-1960

Over the past two years the NARNG has had a steady growth and essential training. During April 1959, the entire NARNG of the United States was reorganized to conform to the latest reorganization of the Army. After many hours of work and planning on the part of the administrators and commanding officers, the Guard was reorganized and compliments were received from the National Guard Bureau for the efficient way the task was accomplished.

All Nevada units rated high in comparison with other units in the United States on their annual general inspection and command maintenance inspection. Annual general inspection (IGs) are conducted by personnel from Sixth Army Headquarters, Presidio, San Francisco. The Command Maintenance Inspection, formerly conducted by Sixth Army, is now done by the Adjutant General.

Annual summer field training in 1959 was at Camp Irwin, California, but in June, 1960, the entire Nevada Army National Guard traveled to Yakima, Washington (Fort Lewis), for summer field training. This meant that the Nevada Guard, 2d Gun Battalion (Skysweeper), commanded by Maj. Garland L. Barnaby, made the longest peacetime convoy movement ever undertaken by a National Guard unit.

This unit, with headquarters in Las Vegas and units in Ely, Yerington and Hawthorne, started at the same time as the others in order to bivouac overnight at Winnemucca, the starting point for the entire convoy.

This trek from Las Vegas did not involve getting in vehicles and moving swiftly along the highways to Yakima. The over-all concept of the operation involved having the entire 121st Artillery Group rendezvous by individual unit at centrally located Winnemucca, there to assume a tactical role under Group control. Due to requirements of Sixth Army, the entire convoy was required to set up a complete air defense of an area each night for the four nights enroute to Yakima. In addition, they were to pass the detection phase of the ATT, set up perimeter defenses of their units nightly, and fight off aggressor forces provided by one of the supporting units. Moving in convoy means a smooth-running operation of messing, refueling and communicating by radio with others in the convoy. Upon reaching Winnemucca, the first night, the local defense was set up, meals were served, trucks were fueled and the aggressor units were fought off until 2200 hours.

The following evening at Baker, Oregon, an air defense was to be set up, but due to so many minor vehicle failures and repair jobs along the way, the convoy reached Baker so late the air defense was cancelled. Messing and refueling took most of the night. At the Firing Center, Yakima, the Group spent two nights in tactical bivouac where the detection phase of ATT was successfully passed, but it was on the firing line the Group excelled by doing some very good shooting. During this long gruelling trip and the training at Yakima, the morale of all remained high and the men came home realizing that when they are given a difficult and worthwhile mission they can come through and come through with high standards of achievement.

Fortunately, during the past biennium there were no major fires,



Lt. Col. Floyd L. Edsall
Commanding Officer
1st Gun Bn. (Skysweeper)
221st Artillery



Maj. Garland L. Barnaby
Commanding Officer
2nd Gun Bn. (Skysweeper)
221st Artillery

explosions or floods in Nevada, but the Guard was called out to fight a fire threatening Virginia City in 1959, and individuals served in a number of smaller ways.

During 1959 and 1960, 47 officers and 69 enlisted men attended Army Service Schools, and 149 enlisted men were sent to the Six Months Active Duty Training (Basic Combat Training, Advanced Individual Training and Unit Training).

PROMOTIONS AND PERSONNEL CHANGES

Col. Melvin C. Ruedy replaced Col. E. P. Chambers as State Maintenance Officer and Commander of Hq. and Hq. Detachment.

Lt. Col. Wm. A. Reinken replaced Col. Fred White, Commanding Officer 121st AAA Group (Air Defense). Lt. Col. Floyd L. Edsall replaced Lt. Col. Wm. A. Reinken as Commanding Officer 1st Gun Bn. 221st Artillery. Maj. Garland L. Barnaby was appointed Commanding Officer of 2d Gun Bn. 221st Artillery.

Maj. Earl A. Edmunds was made a Lt. Colonel.

OPENING OF NEW ARMORIES

During the past biennium three new armories were dedicated. The first of these was at Yerington, Sunday, 8 March, 1959, was proclaimed "National Guard Day" by Yerington's Mayor Ralph Moriconi. Dedication ceremonies and an open house in the Armory were highlights of the day. Governor Grant Sawyer, Commander in Chief of the National Guard, gave the dedication address, followed by an address by Major General May. The Yerington High School band supplied the music.

The Armory, built by J. C. Dillard Co., Contractor, at a cost of about \$150,000, is the new home of the National Guard unit organized 10 January, 1952 as the 122d Transportation Truck Company. At that time the unit included 17 men and two officers, commanded by Capt. Thomas W. Guild. In December 1952, the unit was reorganized as Battery B, 422 Bn. Automatic Weapon Mobile and their mission changed to Air Defense, Capt. William S. Howard commanding; September 1952, 2d Lt. Albert E. MacKenzie, Jr., assumed command and in January 1956, basic equipment was converted to radar controlled 75mm "Skysweeper" guns. In August 1957, the Yerington unit was awarded the Muldoon Trophy for excellence in their assigned duties.

The present strength of the Yerington unit is 3 officers and 57 enlisted men. It is now known as Battery B, 2d Gun Battalion, 221st Artillery, 1st Lt. Melvin M. Winsor commanding. This unit has recently been awarded the Eisenhower Trophy for 1959.

On 5 December, 1959, the new Armory at Winnemucca was dedicated. Governor Grant Sawyer made the official address for the dedication, and there were also addresses by Major General James A. May and Lt. Col. Floyd L. Edsall, Commander, Hq. 1st Gun Battalion, 221st Artillery. Music was furnished by the Humboldt County High School Band. A military ball followed dedication, complete with a "Sweetheart of Battery B" contest. One of six lovely girls was chosen as "Sweetheart" and the others were her attendants.

This new Armory, built at a cost of about \$135,000 by the Oliver Curutchet Construction Co., is the home of the unit originally organized as a unit of the United States Army National Guard, 8 April, 1936, Capt. Ellis McCormick commanding. Capt. James A. May assumed command in 1939. In 1940, the unit was designated as the 115th Combat Engineers, Company F. Later that same year the unit was reorganized and redesignated as the 121st Antiaircraft Artillery, Battery B. The unit was inducted into Federal Service in 1941. In 1944 it was reorganized as 1st Rocket Battalion and was shipped to Okinawa.

In 1947 the unit was again reorganized as Battery B, 421st Antiaircraft Artillery 90mm, Capt. Geo. S. Smith commanding. 1950 found the unit redesignated as Battery B, 421st Automatic Weapons Battalion, Lt. M. B. Howard in command. Lt. James C. Acree assumed command in 1953. In 1955 the unit was again reorganized and assigned 75mm guns. In 1959 Capt. Kenneth Stines commanded for a time, and later in that year Capt. John Trendler relieved Capt. Stines. The unit is presently known as Battery B, 1st Gun Battalion, 221st Artillery.

With impressive ceremonies the new Armory at Ely was officially opened and dedicated by Governor Grant Sawyer on 3 April, 1960, with dedication ceremonies, a parade and later an open house in the Armory.

In addition to Governor Sawyer, Major General James A. May, Mayor N. E. Broadbent, of Ely, and other State and National Guard dignitaries were present for the opening. The Grand Lodge of Masons of the State of Nevada, National Guard units and the White Pine County High School Band provided a colorful parade. Jack K. Horner, Battery Commander, introduced guests and made the formal request to lay the cornerstone.

The Ely Armory was built on a site in the City Park contributed by the city of Ely. It was built by Burdick and Biale Contractors, at a cost of nearly \$128,000.

It is the home of the National Guard unit originally known as Battery D, 422d Antiaircraft Artillery Battalion, Nevada Army National Guard. The Ely Battery D was one of the first of the postwar units of the National Guard to be organized in Nevada and was federally recognized at Ely on 25 June, 1948, with Capt. Clyde B. Moore, Jr., commanding.

The Company is now officially known as Battery A, 2d Gun Battalion (Skysweeper), 221st Artillery, Captain Jack Horner commanding. The unit has increased from the original membership of 19 to 81 and has taken top honors in group competition many times.

CONSTRUCTION

At the present time federal and state funds have been appropriated for new Armories at Hawthorne, Elko and Carson City, the first of which will be built at Elko.

An application has also been filed with the Federal Government for a site on which to build a firing range and radar tower. It is hoped the land will be approved for this use soon in order that the National Guard may start occupying it.

GOVERNOR'S AWARD

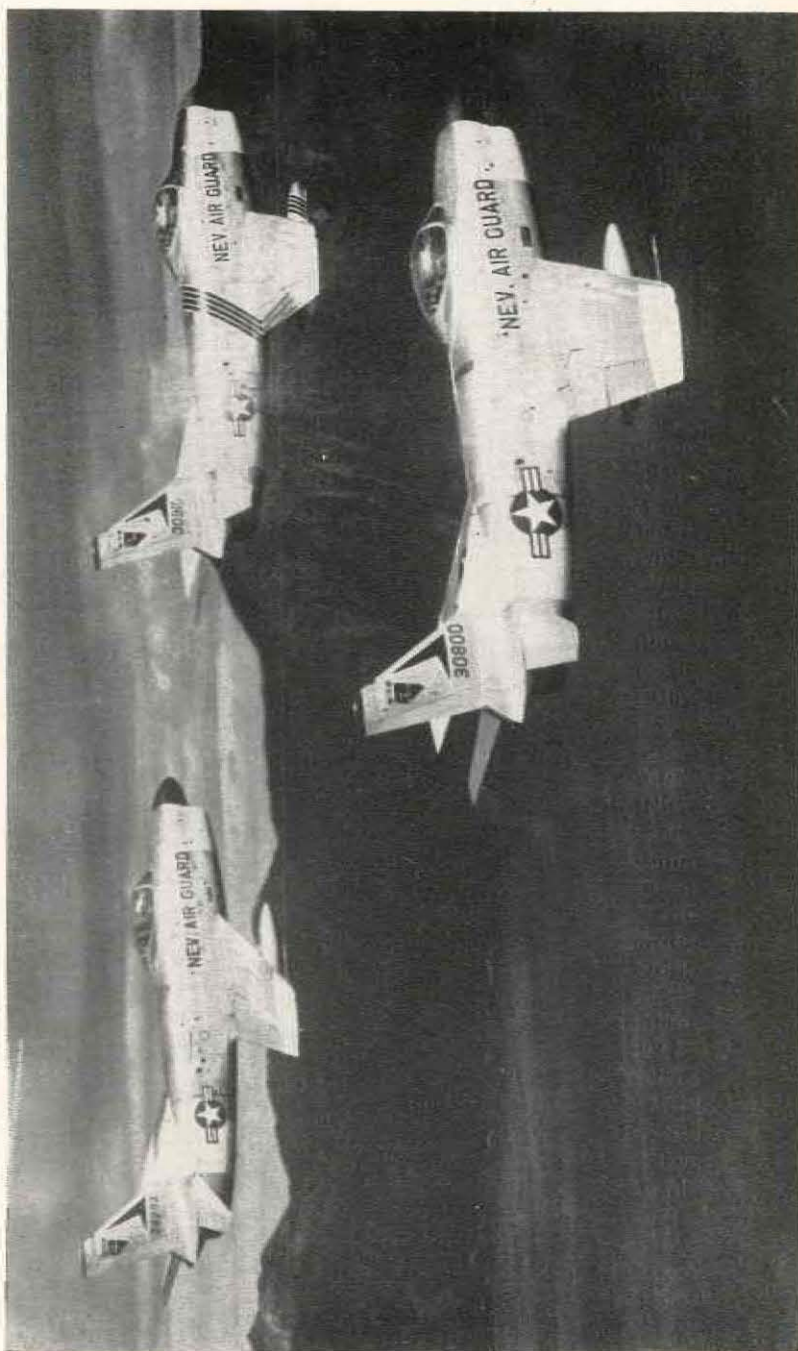
At gala ceremonies during the annual Governor's Day celebrations at the University of Nevada, the Governor's Medal is awarded to a student of the military courses of the Military Department of the University of Nevada ROTC whose proficiency in military training, observance of the rules of military courtesy and intelligent attention to duty have received the approbation of the professor of military sciences and tactics of the University of Nevada. This cadet's name is submitted through the president of the University to the Governor, recommending him for this honor.

On 12 May, 1959, Governor Grant Sawyer presented the medal to Cadet Colonel Robert B. Morrill. This cadet had a brilliant University record during his entire college career and richly deserved this reward.

On 10 May, 1960, Governor Grant Sawyer reviewed the cadet corps of the University ROTC and presented the Governor's Medal to Daniel B. A. Sobrio. Cadet Sobrio had also had an outstandingly brilliant career at the University.



Lt. Col. William A. Reinken
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Nevada Air National Guard Jets in Flight

REPORT OF NEVADA AIR NATIONAL GUARD**FISCAL YEARS 1959-1960**

The Air National Guard is composed of the "Headquarters Nevada Air National Guard," Carson City, and the "152d Fighter Group," Reno.

The Headquarters consists of a limited number of officers and airmen who are charged with the responsibility of the over-all operation of the Nevada Air National Guard and act as a liaison headquarters between the ANG and the National Guard Bureau, U. S. Air Force and other higher headquarters and activities.

There have been no major reorganizations of the 152d Fighter Group (AD) and subordinate units except some changes in personnel. Lt. Col. James W. Dalzell was reassigned as the 152d Fighter Group Commander in October 1959. Also in October, Lt. Col. Tilly P. Botti assumed command of the 152d Air Base Squadron. The following commanders have remained with their units: Lt. Col. Ashley Van Slyck as Commander of the 192d Fighter Interceptor Squadron; Lt. Col. Gustave L. Welch as Commander of the 152d Consolidated Aircraft Maintenance Squadron; and Lt. Col. S. N. Landis as Commander of the 152d USAF Dispensary.

The Group attended summer field training at Gowen ANG Base, Boise, Idaho, during 1959 and 1960. Each year the attendance at camp has increased, and will continue to increase at future camps. The summer camp this year in June was a memorable one for all those concerned, or who were associated with this unit. It was the first time that the 4th Air Force had conducted an Operational Readiness Inspection and an Operational Readiness Test of an Air Guard unit during summer camp. The outcome of the ORI and ORT was satisfactory and the unit was commended on the superior food service operation; the excellent medical support; the accuracy and currency of the personnel classification program; the spirited attitude and high morale of all personnel; the demonstrated capability of the Maintenance Squadron to maintain an average of 76 percent operationally ready rate of aircraft during an exceptionally heavy flying schedule; the excellent training and performance of the Consolidated Unit Supply; and the high pilot success rate on electrically taped assessed kills, which were 27 kills out of 36 attacks—an average of 75 percent, which is considered excellent. We are extremely proud of this report and know that it will be well received by the National Guard Bureau and the Air Force.

In August of 1958 the unit's tactical aircraft were converted from F86A's to F86L's. The F86L is a rocket-firing, all-weather jet fighter interceptor. A total of 5,351 hours of flying in tactical aircraft has been accomplished by the pilots since the conversion.

As of 30 June, 1960, the Nevada ANG has 25 F86L's, 3 T-33's, and 1 C-47 aircraft assigned. A total of 3,195 hours was flown in the support aircraft in the past two years. In June of 1960 the C-45 was withdrawn from use and is being held in excess pending disposition instructions.

The unit has progressed satisfactorily during the past two fiscal years with 289 airmen enlisted and 202 discharged. The high attrition

is principally due to persons moving from this area in search of work and the release of individuals who have completed their military obligations. As of 30 June, 1960, we have an authorized strength of 703 airmen and 91 officers, the actual assigned strength is 498 airmen and 78 officers.

Recently the Air Force deleted Warrant Officer positions throughout all units of the Air Force and Reserve components. This means that the Nevada ANG can no longer enlist Warrant Officers, and the Warrant Officers presently assigned will either be returned to the senior enlisted ranks or commissioned. In some instances the incumbents will retain their rank and remain in a Junior Commissioned Officer position as Warrants until they reach a maximum age in grade or are relieved by proper authority.

Attendance at technical schools for both officers and airmen has been generally fair with 20 airmen and 66 officers in school since 1 July, 1958. The unit has also had 165 airmen in attendance at Basic Military Training at Lackland AFB, Texas. This training is mandatory for all new enlistees who have not had prior military service. The unit is proud of 1st Lt. Jerry Robinson of the 152d Camron who, in competition with graduates of West Point and Annapolis, was the honor graduate of the Ground Electronics Officers School at Keesler Field, Biloxi, Mississippi.

On 1 January, 1960, the Group's unit manning documents were changed to allow for promotion of Master Sergeants to a newly established rank of Senior Master Sergeant. Since that time seven Master Sergeants have qualified and have been promoted.

The air technician program is still expanding with a total of 144 positions authorized. Presently, 141 air technicians are employed—this allows the unit to remain at the 98 percent maximum employment rate established by the National Guard Bureau. The yearly air technician pay is now approximately \$767,000 and will increase, due to the advent of the 7½ percent civil service pay raise effective 1 July, 1960. During 1959 the National Guard Bureau deleted four air technician positions that were designated as security guards. The State of Nevada absorbed three of these positions among the State's unclassified employees. The state payroll for these positions is \$11,000 annually which, in turn, is refunded to the State 100 percent.

The Nevada ANG facilities at the Reno International Airport have been expanded and improved during the last two fiscal years. This includes a concrete apron extension costing \$182,600; construction of an aircraft washrack costing \$30,200; and other improvements to bring the total cost to approximately \$230,785.

With the change imposed by the Air Force, placing the Nevada ANG directly under the Air Defense Command for training, mobilization assignment, and operational supervision, the unit will progress rapidly to more advanced aircraft and to a more important role in the Air Defense of our country.



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