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Honorable Paul Fannin
Governor of Arizona
Phoenix, Arizona

Dear Governor Fannin:

I herewith submit my Annual Report of the National Guard of Arizona for the fiscal year 1 July 1958--30 June 1959, in compliance with Section 26-103, Article 1, Chapter 1, Title 26, Arizona Revised Statutes.

Since my appointment by you to the position of Adjutant General, there have been many changes in the National Guard, both at the State and National level. Most of these changes have been the result of the reorganization of the Army National Guard under the new pentomic concept. This reorganization has involved unit functions, location and strength, all which are covered in detail in this report. Field training for both the Army and Air resulted in excellent ratings, with both organizations winning national recognition for training proficiency. Our construction program effected the completion and dedication of two new armories in the state--one in Douglas and one at Winslow. A new Operations and Training Building is in the final stages of completion at the Air National Guard installation at Sky Harbor. The status of training with brief reports of the three independent field training segments is covered also.

As commander in chief, you will, I know, be as proud of our Army and Air units as I am. With your continued enthusiastic support and guidance, we will be able to keep pace with modern fighting techniques and maintain a combat-ready force to defend our nation and state, should this be needed.

Sincerely,



J. C. WILSON
Major General, ArizARNG
The Adjutant General

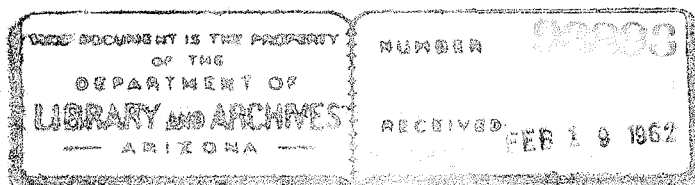


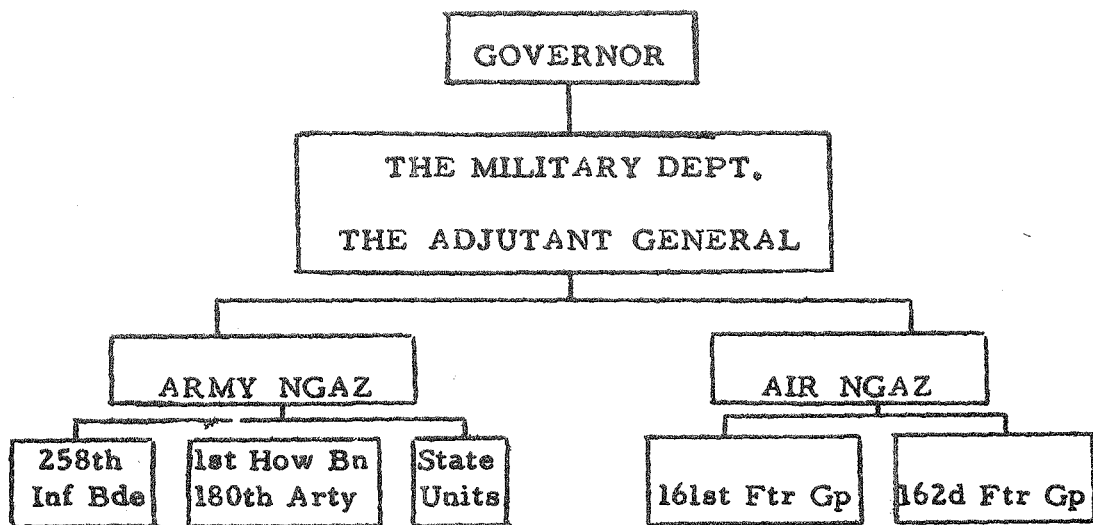
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SECTION I

The Military Department of Arizona:

The Military Department is responsible for the organization, operation and coordination of the Army and the Air National Guard of Arizona and is organized as follows:



SECTION II

MISSION

The mission of the National Guard of the United States is to provide units of reserve components for the Army and Air, adequately organized, trained and equipped, available for mobilization in the event of national emergency or war, in accordance with the deployment schedule, and capable of participating in combat operations, in support of the Army and Air war plans. This mission may include the defense of critical areas of the United States against attack.

Further, the mission of the National Guard of Arizona is to provide sufficient organizations in the State, so trained and equipped as to enable it to function efficiently at existing strength in the protection of life and property and the preservation of peace, order and public safety, under competent orders of the State.

SECTION III

REORGANIZATION OF ARMY NATIONAL GUARD

The Army National Guard of Arizona was reorganized on 1 March 1959 from the old regimental combat team concept to the pentomic concept. The end result of this reorganization has given the State of Arizona three fighting teams, with ample support, in the form of an Infantry Brigade of two battle groups and one artillery battalion. In addition, the National Guard of Arizona has assigned a truck company, ordnance company, band and headquarters and headquarters detachment, which are support units to the brigade and artillery battalion.

This reorganization has transformed the Guard into a faster moving, harder hitting, more self-sustaining and efficient organization. It also brought about a noticeable improvement in morale and esprit de corps, due to the fact that it pointed out the important role played by the Guard in the military scheme of the United States and the State of Arizona.

SECTION IV

AUTHORIZED AND ASSIGNED STRENGTH JUNE 1959

STATE UNITS	STATION	AUTHORIZED STRENGTH				ASSIGNED STRENGTH			
		OFF	WO	EM	AGGR	OFF	WO	EM	AGGR
Hq & Hq Det Arizona ANG	Phoenix	22	3	25	50	21	3	25	49
108th Army Band	Phoenix	0	1	28	29	0	1	33	34
222d Trans Co (Lt Trk)	Winslow	4	1	82	87	3	1	79	83
3666th Ord Co (DS)	Phoenix	8	1	119	128	5	3	123	131
<u>258th Inf Bde (Sep)</u>									
Hq & Hq Co	Phoenix	41	2	99	142	34	4	101	139
<u>1/BG 158th</u>									
Hq & Hq Co	Phoenix	24	3	142	169	25	5	152	182
Co A (-1 Rifle Plat)	Flagstaff	5	0	89	94	3	0	79	82
Rifle Plat, Co A	Kingman	1	0	43	44	1	0	47	48
Co B (-1 Rifle Plat)	Sunnyslope	5	0	89	94	4	0	91	95
Rifle Plat Co B	Prescott	1	0	43	44	2	0	47	49
Co C	Phoenix	6	0	95	101	6	0	101	107
Co D (-1 Rifle & Wpns Plat)	Phoenix	4	0	55	59	4	0	88	92
Rifle & Wpns Plat Co D	Globe	2	0	77	79	1	0	51	52
Co E	Yuma	6	0	132	138	5	0	156	161
Combat Support Co	Glendale	13	0	128	141	10	1	144	155
<u>2/BG 158th</u>									
Hq & Hq Co	Tucson	24	3	142	169	20	1	155	176
Co A	Safford	6	0	132	138	4	1	135	140
Co B	Warren	6	0	95	101	4	1	80	85
Co C	Douglas	6	0	132	138	6	1	125	132
Co D (-Rifle Plat)	Nogales	5	0	89	94	4	0	82	86
Rifle Plat Co D	Tucson	1	0	43	44	1	0	67	68
Co E	Coolidge	6	0	132	138	3	0	93	96
Combat Support Co	Tucson	13	0	128	141	5	0	100	105
<u>1/How Bn 180th ARTY</u>									
Hq & Hq Btry	Mesa	17	1	88	106	18	1	96	115
Med Det	Mesa	1	0	8	9	1	0	10	11
Service Btry	Mesa	3	1	50	54	3	1	52	56
Btry A	Chandler	5	0	85	90	4	0	81	85
Btry B	Casa Grande	5	0	85	90	5	0	92	97
Btry C	Tempe	5	0	85	90	4	0	98	102
TOTAL		245	16	2540	2801	206	24	2583	2813

SECTION V

TRAINING, ARMY NATIONAL GUARD

Training in this organization is, in its strictest sense, divided into two categories--inactive duty or armory training and active duty or summer field training. Each category will be discussed separately in this section.

1. Inactive Duty Training. During the fiscal year 1959 training was characterized by greatly increased emphasis on outdoor tactical exercises stimulated by the assigned mission of achieving a status of combat operational readiness which would insure an efficient execution of assigned tasks as a Ready Reserve STRAF unit.

A. Training objectives were:

(1) To train all personnel in the fundamentals of combat and to attain such standards of mental and physical fitness as are necessary for active field service.

(2) To develop all Officers and NCOs into qualified combat leaders.

(3) To train squads, sections, platoons, and companies to a state of operational readiness requisite to participation in advanced unit training.

B. The success with which this training was conducted was evidenced by the Annual General Inspection Ratings:

(1) Units Rated Superior	4
(2) Units rated Excellent	21
(3) Units rated Satisfactory	0
(4) Units rated Unsatisfactory	0

C. In anticipation of the reorganization weekend assemblies were conducted for commanders and staffs emphasizing the pentomic concept.

2. Active Duty Training. A. The annual active duty training was conducted at Fort Huachuca, Arizona from 10-24 August 1958. The training objective of this period was to train individual soldiers and

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officers to a level of proficiency required by their present or anticipated assignments and to progressively train units through company level.

B. The result of this period of training is evidenced by the following ratings:

(1) Units rated Superior	2
(2) Units rated Excellent	16
(3) Units rated Very Satisfactory	9
(4) Units rated Satisfactory	2
(5) Units rated Unsatisfactory	2

3. Six-months Active Duty Training. During the fiscal year three hundred seventy-four (374) enlisted members of the Army Guard were sent to Fort Ord, California for six-months Active Duty Training.

4. Service Schools. Seventy-four (74) officers and seventy-one (71) enlisted men attended service schools during the year.

STATION LIST* SECTION VIAIR NATIONAL GUARD OF ARIZONAAs of 30 June 1959

<u>Organization</u>	<u>Authorized Strength</u>				<u>Assigned Strength</u>				<u>Station</u>
	<u>OFF</u>	<u>WO</u>	<u>AMN</u>	<u>AGG</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>WO</u>	<u>AMN</u>	<u>AGG</u>	
Headquarters Air National Guard of Arizona	12	1	14	27	9	1	9	19	747 West Van Buren Street Phoenix, Arizona
Headquarters 161st Fighter Group (AD)	15	1	46	62	12	0	44	56	Air National Guard Base Sky Harbor Airport Phoenix, Arizona
161st Air Base Squadron	16	3	297	316	16	1	292	309	Do.
161st Consolidated Aircraft Maintenance Squadron	8	3	313	324	6	3	292	301	Do.
161st USAF Dispensary	10	0	30	40	8	0	29	37	Do.
197th Fighter-Interceptr Squadron (AW)	35	0	19	54	37	0	17	54	Do.
Headquarters 162D Fighter Group (AD)	15	1	46	62	12	0	45	57	Air National Guard Base Tucson Municipal Airport Tucson, Arizona
162D Air Base Squadron	16	3	297	316	16	0	256	272	Do.
162D Consolidated Aircraft Maintenance Squadron	8	3	256	267	8	1	222	231	Do.
162D USAF Dispensary	10	0	30	40	4	0	21	25	Do.
152D Fighter-Interceptr Squadron	35	0	19	54	35	0	18	53	Do.
TOTAL:	180	15	1367	1562	163	6	1245	1414	

SECTION VII

UNIT TRAINING ASSEMBLIES, AIR NATIONAL GUARD OF ARIZONA

161st Fighter Group (AD)

The 161st Fighter Group's attendance for unit training assemblies was 91.6 for the entire fiscal year excluding annual active duty training. The assigned strength of the group has remained above 95% for the fiscal year. The aircrew training program has progressed satisfactorily during the year as 90% of the aircrews are Combat Ready and 60% of the other than air crew personnel are Combat Ready. An intensive training program has been initiated to bring this index to the desired 70% in the very near future. Maintenance crews have achieved the desired level of proficiency during the year and are now maintaining above 70% of the unit equipment aircraft in an operational ready status. No major changes have been made this fiscal year in the organization of the Group. The present strength of the group is 83 officers and 674 airmen.

162d Fighter Group(AD)

There was no major reorganization within the group during the period. The unit training assemblies for the year showed the actual attendance was over 95%. This included officers and airmen. Air crews that are Combat Ready number 26 which is approximately 97% of the tactical pilots assigned and 75% of the crews other than air crew are qualified combat ready. The 152d Fighter Interceptor Squadron has been picked by the Air Force and National Guard Bureau to represent the Air National Guard of the United States in the Air Force World Wide Gunnery Shoot at Tyndall Air Force Base, Florida during the period 14 through 23 October 1959. This honor is probably the highlight of the training year for the Fighter Group.

SECTION VIII

FIELD TRAINING REPORT - AIR NATIONAL GUARD OF ARIZONA

Headquarters Air National Guard, 161st Fighter Group (AD) and the 162d Fighter Group (AD), Arizona Air National Guard

All units of the Arizona Air National Guard attended annual active duty training for the period 2-16 August 1959. Headquarters, Arizona Air National Guard and the 161st Fighter Group (AD) was located at Casper Air Terminal, Casper, Wyoming, and the 162d Fighter Group (AD) at home station, Tucson, Arizona.

The 161st Fighter Group (AD), Phoenix, Arizona performed 277 flying sorties with an average flying time per pilot of 8 hours and 30 minutes. Ground school training consisted of 32 hours as outlined by ConAC Training Directive 10-19 which consisted of lectures on E-4 fire control, tactics, survival, intelligence, instrument techniques, navigation, communictions and flying safety.

This was the first year since 1948 that the unit operated independently at a field training site.

The 162d Fighter Group (AD), Tucson, Arizona performed 521 flying sorties during the two week period. The organization completed the transition and qualification phase of the programmed training with outstanding efficiency. The gunnery phase progressed with only minor difficulty caused by an occasional malfunction of target release on the T-33 aircraft.

The conversion to F-100 aircraft progressed smoothly and efficiently. The essential day fighter tactics applicable in the F84F aircraft apply in the F-100. However, many facets of flying such as landing and take-off techniques required for century series are more critical than in previous aircraft.

SECTION IX. CONSTRUCTION PROGRAM

A. ARMY NATIONAL GUARD

Repair and Utility Funds

1. The National Guard Bureau maintains training facilities such as ranges, pay of range keepers, major modification or improvements of Army airfields, capital investment expenditures for upkeep or improvement of facilities other than armory on a 100% financial basis. The individual projects utilizing these funds must be approved by the Bureau and are approved on a limited basis only when funds are available.

2. The projects listed below were accomplished in FY 1959:

Oiling and hard-surfacing 3300 feet, east-west runway, Papago Army Airfield	\$7,840.00
Repair of ranges through the State including salaries of range keepers	7,828.00
Realignment of Papago Park fencing	950.00
Grading of vehicle storage area	900.00
Additional air conditioning, USP&FO office	500.00
Bins and additional shelving, USP&FO warehouse, Papago Park	950.00

Armories

1. Two new armories were completed and one armory started during the fiscal year 1959-1960.

2. The Governor, Paul J. Fannin, and the Adjutant General, Major General J. C. Wilson, accepted and dedicated a new armory completed by the contractor, Bob Roberts & Associates, at Winslow, Arizona, on the evening of March 11, 1959.

3. The new armory at Douglas, Arizona was dedicated by the Governor and the Adjutant General on May 19, 1959. This structure was completed on the above date by Taylor & Powell, contractors at Douglas, Arizona.

4. A new armory was approved and Federal funds made available in June 1959 for a one-unit armory at the San Jose community, a suburb of Bisbee and adjacent to Warren, Arizona. Work was started by the successful

2--Armories, Sec. IX A.

bidder, Packer Construction Company, on 29 June 1959. This new building will house a 101-man unit in Warren, Arizona upon completion--about 1 January 1960.

5. Other localities where new housing for National Guard units is planned are Casa Grande, Nogales and Safford. These communities have equal priority as their present facilities are inadequate. However, until Federal funds are made available by the Congress and the National Guard Bureau, repairs and maintenance on these structures will continue.

All armories in the state, of course, present a maintenance problem and every effort is made by the Adjutant General, within the funds appropriated by the State, to maintain these buildings in the best of condition. Excellent relationships exist with all the communities in connection with the upkeep of these civic facilities so that the maximum use may be obtained by the military for its purpose and the cities for their public relations.

B. AIR NATIONAL GUARD

161ST FIGHTER GROUP(AD) - Phoenix

In 1958 contracts were let for the erection of a building for Operations and Training in the amount of \$379,538.00, all Federal funds. This structure is in the completion stage, located at the east end of Watlins Road on Sky Harbor Airport and will be accepted in November or December, 1959.

This modern building offers medical-dental facilities, a large kitchen, heating-cooling facilities, and training-office area for the 161st Fighter Group (AD).

Due to the former ground traffic pattern it was necessary for Air National Guard aircraft to land and then cross the commercial runway. A new taxiway to avoid this hazard was begun and is in process of completion at this date. The Corps of Engineers awarded this contract in the amount of \$375,013.00, all Federal funds, to the low bidder, Fisher Contracting Company.

Following is a tabulation of smaller improvements at the Phoenix installation:

3--161st Fighter Group (AD) - Phoenix, Sec. IX B.

Aircraft Parking Outlay	\$7,600.00
Heating Base Supply Warehouse	<u>517.00</u>
Total	\$8,117.00

162D FIGHTER GROUP (AD) - Tucson

Total Federal capital investment figures for the air facility at Tucson amounted to \$124,743.00 and included completion of additional hangar facilities, erection of a jet runway barrier and design costs.

The above amount comprises the larger capital investment features being completed this year for the Tucson Air National Guard bases.

Following is a tabulation of smaller improvements at the Tucson installation:

Installation of additional electric outlets, etc., to a/c engine test cell	\$2,336.00
Additional office space	1,250.00
Shop for installation section	1,675.00
Miscellaneous projects	<u>700.00</u>
Total	\$5,961.00

SECTION X. SERVICE CONTRACTS (Army and Air)

A. It was well recognized after the second World War that no state could bear the burden of total National Guard expense with particular reference to airfields, hangars and maintenance expense of the Air National Guard.

B. The same situation applied to the Army National Guard in relation to vehicle population, maintenance shops, Army aviation, radio upkeep and storage of military material.

C. Consequently contracts were entered into by all the states and the National Guard Bureau in which each state furnishes only 25% financial support for the above activities and the Defense Department, 75%.

D. In Arizona this contractual procedure of shared expense developed administratively into three (3) contracts:

Army Service Contract	\$32,500.00
Phoenix, Tucson and Mesa	

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Air National Guard Service Contract	\$48,000.00
162d Fighter Group at Tucson, Arizona	

Air National Guard Service Contract	72,500.00
161st Fighter Group at Phoenix, Arizona	

E. Outlays for Service Contracts were as follows:

1. Army National Guard--Phoenix, Tucson and Mesa

Salaries	\$ 9,715.14
Utilities	4,973.30
Miscellaneous	6,354.65
	<u>\$21,043.09</u>

2. Air National Guard--Tucson--162d Fighter Group

Rental of airport and facilities including fire protection, runway use, etc., to the Tucson Airport Authority, FY 1959	\$12,000.00
Utilities	10,626.23
Communications	2,313.67
Salaries for Operation	10,563.81
Miscellaneous repair, minor new construction, paint, repair of machines, etc.	12,316.91
	<u>\$47,820.62</u>

3. Air National Guard--Phoenix--161st Fighter Group

Rental of airport and facilities including fire protection, runway use, etc., to the City of Phoenix, FY 1959	\$18,000.00
Utilities	13,634.00
Communications	2,130.00
Salaries for Operation	14,000.00
Miscellaneous repair, minor new construction, paint, repair of machines, etc.	21,376.00
	<u>\$69,140.00</u>

F. For Fiscal Year 1960 the contractual funds available are as follows:

Army Service Contract	\$30,000.00
Tucson Air Service Contract	80,000.00
Phoenix Air Service Contract	80,000.00

SECTION XI

FISCAL REPORT
(State)
National Guard of Arizona

	<u>Appropriation</u>	<u>Expenditures</u>
1. Personal Services	\$ 150,384.00	\$ 150,306.74
2. Professional Services	5,000.00	2,699.78
3. Travel--State	3,000.00	1,921.54
4. Travel--Out-of-State	1,500.00	1,486.66
5. Current Fixed Charges	9,600.00	5,740.93
6. Subscriptions and Organizational Dues	500.00	500.00
7. Food	1,500.00	1,481.46
8. Sky Harbor Air Service Contract	17,500.00	32,216.41
Note:		
\$17,500.00 Appropriation		
14,802.67 75% Reimbursement by U.S. Govt.		
<u>32,302.67</u> Total Receipts		
32,216.41		
86.26 Reverted 30 June 1959		
9. Tucson Air Service Contract	12,000.00	12,000.00
10. Army Service Contract	7,500.00	21,451.14
Note:		
\$ 7,500.00 Appropriation		
13,951.14 75% Reimbursement by U.S. Govt.		
<u>21,451.14</u> Total Receipts		
21,451.14 Expenditures		
11. National Guard Rifle Team	500.00	497.25
12. Medals and Trophies	500.00	499.93
13. Officers Clothing Allowance	25,000.00	24,946.13
14. Unit Allowance	34,000.00	34,000.00
15. Other Current Expenditures	64,000.00	63,303.31
16. Capital Outlay (Equipment)	5,000.00	5,000.00
17. Capital Outlay (Bldgs & Improvements)	none	19,984.55
Note: Balance brought forward from		
Previous FY		21,230.39
Expenditures		<u>19,984.55</u>
Balance Forwarded		1,245.84
18. Capital Outlay (Armory Construction)	none	188,465.77
Note: Balance brought forward from		
previous FYs		294,149.88
75% Reimbursement by U.S. Govt.		<u>6,556.22</u>
Total Receipts		300,706.10
Expenditures		<u>118,465.77</u>
Balance forwarded 30 June 1959		182,240.33

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	<u>Appropriation</u>	<u>Expenditure</u>
19. National Defense Fund	None	727.50
Note: Balance brought forward from previous FY		1,841.11
Expenditures		<u>727.50</u>
Balance forwarded 30 June 1959		1,113.60

SECTION XII

Status of Federal Funding Support for Fiscal Year 1959 as of 30 June 1959 - Army National Guard

	<u>Funding Program</u>	<u>Obligations</u>
Project 7011 Pay and Allowances, Field Training	\$ 255,748.00	\$ 255,515.65
Project 6012 Pay and Allowances for School Attendance	94,400.00	93,683.40
Project 7021 Travel, National Guard	30,559.00	29,904.69
Project 7031 Other Military Personnel Costs	543.00	543.00
Project 7041 Subsistence of the National Guard	54,100.00	54,064.50
Project 7051 Individual Clothing, National Guard	9,050.00	8,775.20
Project 7211 Armory Drill Tng (Command Inspection)	350.00	334.33
Project 7221 Field Training Expenses	1,805.00	1,773.51
Project 7321 Organizational Equipment	22,785.00	22,358.41
Project 7411 Repair Parts and Materials	36,968.00	36,965.65
Project 7412 Petroleum, Oil and Lubricants	35,220.00	35,206.76
Project 7413 Training and Office Supplies & Equipment	5,042.00	5,022.04
Project 7511 Support of National Guard Units	35,085.00	32,934.18
Project 7512 Pay of Organizational Technicians	317,123.00	317,118.49

SECTION XIII

SUMMARY OF FEDERAL OBLIGATIONS

Air National Guard of Arizona

Advance Planning	\$ 12,710.84
Construction Costs, Continental U. S.	526,236.18
Training Support:	
Miscellaneous Field Training Costs:	
Transportation, Telephone, Cleaning, etc.	11,316.73
Base Operations and Maintenance	2,190,519.29
Major Repairs, Minor Construction	14,104.47
Medical Support	15,292.29
Miliatary Personnel:	
Pay & Allowances - Off's	128,565.40
Pay & Allowances - Airmen	121,967.44
Individual Clothing - Airmen	37,046.18
Subs - Unit Training Assemblies	14,597.03
Travel - AD - Airmen	44,028.06
Travel - AD - Officers	9,702.19
Death Gratuity, Officers	<u>2,694.00</u>
GRAND TOTAL	\$3,128,780.10

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	<u>Funding Program</u>	<u>Obligations</u>
Project 7513 Pay of USP&FO Technicians	141,900.00	141,778.13
Project 7514 Pay of Field Maintenance Technicians	157,077.00	157,075.53
Project 7522 Other Facilities, Repairs & Utilities	39,930.00	38,763.41
Project 2430 Medical Care in Non-Army Facilities	3,000.00	2,998.50
Project 2020 TDY Expense, Army Advisors, at Orientation Courses of Instruction	133.00	132.05
Project 2110 TDY Expense, Army Advisors, Attendance at Service Schools	126.50	126.00
Project 2130 TDY Expense, Army Advisors, Attendance at Civilian Controlled Schools	380.50	380.50
Project 7211 TDY Expense, Army Advisors, Inspections National Guard Armory Drills	4,447.00	4,446.20
Project 7221 TDY Expense, Army Advisors, Inspections National Guard ANACDUTRA	1,079.00	1,079.00
Project 8511 Military Construction, Army National Guard	<u>120,245.73</u>	<u>120,083.29</u>
TOTALS	<u>\$1,367,096.73</u>	<u>\$1,361,062.42</u>

SECTION XIV

PRESS HIGHLIGHTS OF THE YEAR

1 July 1958. The National Guard of Arizona received from the New York Public Library a 4 x 6' flag presented to Theda Bara, once famous actress. The flag had been presented to Miss Bara on Governor's Day, March 1918, at Camp Kearney, California by the Supply Company in honor of her accepting the title of "Godmother of the Arizona National Guard."

4 July 1958. Military show presented at the Arizona Fairgrounds, featuring the 158th Regimental Combat Team in a mock attack.

August 1958. 2400 Guardsmen began two weeks of atomic-gearred field training at Fort Huachuca, named in honor of A. M. Tuthill, Arizona military leader, surgeon and statesman and former adjutant general and was State Director of Selective Service at the time of his death.

The Air Guard's 162d Fighter Group trained at Tucson Municipal Airport and the 161st trained in Casper, Wyoming.

16 August 1958. Governor's Day at Fort Huachuca with the Army National Guard.

2 September 1958. It was noted today that on 2 September 1865 two companies were sworn into Federal service, Company B, composed of 94 Maricopa Indians and Company C, whose first sergeant was Chief Antonio Azul of the Pimas.

1 October 1958. Major General J. C. Wilson was sworn in as the Adjutant General of the State of Arizona. Joining the guard as a private 28 years ago, he, as a civilian-soldier, enlisted in Arizona Guard's Company B at Buckeye. Two years later, upon completion of extension courses, he became a second lieutenant. He subsequently became commander of the company.

25 November 1958. An eighteen-man delegation began a two-day conference in Sacramento in conjunction with other state guard officials in the Sixth Army Area.

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25 November 1958. General Wilson, Colonels Smith and Curry attended a conference at the Presidio of San Francisco on training equipment and organization.

December 1958. The entire month was devoted to drawing up plans and making arrangements for the National Guard of Arizona to change over to the pentomic structure.

14 February 1959. Valentine Day's Sweetheart Military Ball held at the 52d Street Armory.

18 February 1959. Brigadier General Frederick R. Stofft, Assistant Adjutant General for Army, was appointed Commander of the newly formed 258th Infantry Brigade (Sep).

22 February 1959. OPERATION MUST. The Arizona National Guard's February program to orient the taxpayers to its members tasks--
Most Useful Soldiers Today. In connection with the Washington's Birthday Rifle Match and OPERATION MUST, all over the state guard units were holding open houses, tours and demonstrations.

1 March 1959. The 94 year old Arizona Army National Guard launches into its space age transformation today.

11 March 1959. Major General J. C. Wilson was today officially appointed Adjutant General by Governor Paul Fannin.

17 April 1959. The National Guard Association of Arizona held its annual convention today. Theme for the conference was "Keeping Pace with Space."

29 April 1959. Fifteen Arizonans depart for Washington, D. C., to attend the 1959 conference of the Adjutant General Association. The Arizonans presented to the new Association Building a Saguara cactus.

30 May 1959. Units throughout the state participated with town groups in commemoration of Memorial Day.

29 June 1959. Charles W. Fernald was appointed Assistant Adjutant General for Army and received Federal recognition as Brigadier General.

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