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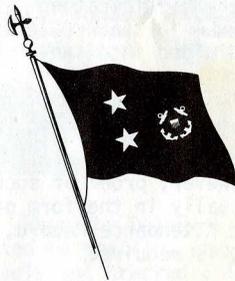
Reserve Experience Saves Life

CDR A. W. "Pat" GARRETT, USCGR saved the life of a burning co-worker after a large tank of sulfuric acid exploded at a chemical plant where he was working as shift foreman.

The explosion occurred on 25 November 1974 at the American Color and Chemical Plant near Lobeco, S.C.

CDR GARRETT, acting in complete disregard for his own personal safety, extinguished the flames on the clothing of Joseph Hayward and administered initial first aid treatment, according to eyewitnesses.

After smothering the flames on the head and body with his jacket, GARRETT removed the smoldering clothing from the victim and prepared him
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THE ADMIRAL'S CORNER

The Comptroller recently authorized the adoption of a new Reserve attendance reporting system which is expected to reduce pay errors and generally facilitate the payment for drills. The new system will continue the Unit Attendance Report (CG-4457) with minor reporting modifications. However, port-a-punch cards will be eliminated. The new system has been tested in the Fifth and Seventh Districts and is well received.

The switch-over will require some months. Equipment which will permit keying of participation data directly onto magnetic tape at Headquarters must be procured and personnel trained. Hopefully, the change will be completed before the end of this calendar year.

While the new system will eliminate some problems, it is not a "cure-all." For this reason, under both the present system and the new system, it is important to carefully monitor those pay related operations that are the major causes of delayed payment for drills.

Individual Reservists should make certain that all augmentation or other training is reported correctly and promptly and that a correct mailing address is on file. Pay problems should be resolved at the unit. The unit maintains a record of all duty performed and each month receives a record of payments to members. If a problem cannot be resolved, contact the District Reserve division or use HOTLINE (see below).

Reserve Units and Groups should ensure that 4457's and cards (4457's only under the new system) are mailed to arrive at Headquarters not later

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CG Reserve Combats Tanker Oil Pollution



TRAINING HINTS

Coast Guard History Articles Solicited For Special Naval Institute Publication

The U.S. Naval Institute is planning to dedicate the entire January 1976 bicentennial issue of PROCEEDINGS to the Coast Guard. Well-written, thoughtful articles and high quality, imaginative photographs concerning the service are needed to fill that issue. PROCEEDINGS will pay standard editorial rates for items selected for publication.

The theme of the January 1976 issue is "Coast Guard -- Composite of Many Services." Historical articles are needed on the Coast Guard's ancestral services: Revenue Cutter Service (1790-1915); U.S. Life Saving Service (1871-1915); U.S. Lighthouse Service (1789-1939); Steamboat Inspection Service (1838-1930s); and the Bureau of Navigation (1884-1930s).

Stop Payment, PAA Procedures Explained

Pay Adjustment Authorizations, Form DD-139 (PAAs) and Stop Payments are two procedures with which each reservist should become familiar.

With the recent emphasis on improving the Coast Guard Reserve pay system, it is important that reservists become familiar with several basic steps required to correct common pay problems.

PAAs must be initiated when a pay check is for an incorrect amount or when drills performed six months or more prior to the current reporting month are not reported.

If these conditions apply, a reservist should contact his commanding officer to initiate the PAA. Form DD-139 should be submitted via the district commander (r) to Commandant (G-FPA-3/71) citing all pertinent facts concerning the reservist and his situation -- name, unit, drill dates involved, whether check was issued, etc.

Drills performed within six months of the current reporting

[The latter two combined to form the Bureau of Marine Inspection and Navigation until 1942].

Articles containing information on the Coast Guard Reserve are especially solicited from reservists. The submission of articles or inserts on an aspect or history of the Coast Guard Reserve will be welcomed.

Other articles needed include

the Coast Guard Academy's first hundred years; present day and future missions of the Coast Guard; and a pictorial article on the service's personnel and equipment. Articles on other subjects also will be considered.

Typed, double-spaced articles of about 4,000 words should be sent to Commandant (G-APA/83), U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters, Washington, D.C. 20590 by September 1975.

Areas of Weakness in October SWE Analyzed

The results of each servicewide examination are analyzed statistically to determine strengths and weaknesses of the participating groups. Each exam for each rate and rating is divided into sub-

ject matter areas according to average scores achieved.

The October 1974 servicewide exam has been analyzed, and the areas of greatest weakness have been identified. These areas, listed by rate and rating, are identified below.

Only those areas with nine or more exam participants below "the first guess factor" are included. This factor is the level an individual with no exposure to the test material could be expected to reach by selecting answers at random.

MKCS Internal combustion engines; Boilers; Steam machinery; Administration

MKC Steam machinery; Refrigeration and air conditioning; Administration and training

PS1 Firefighting techniques; sprinkler and detection systems

SK1 Correspondence and administrative procedures; Military pay; Transportation and travel; Public vouchers, reports, and returns

YN1 Office and communication procedures and correspondence; Personnel administration and accounting; Reports, publications, and security; Training and Education, morale, personnel affairs; Service record maintenance

YN2 Service record maintenance and related procedures; Legal procedures

BM1 Aids to Navigation; SAR

BM2 Boat and deck seamanship and maintenance; SAR and related damage control

BM3 Gunnery

month do not require a PAA. In either case, however, proof of such performance, usually in the form of an updated Unit Attendance Record, Form CGHQ-4457, is required.

If a check has been issued for duty performed but has not been received by the reservist, then Stop Payment Procedures must be initiated. A letter signed by the reservist stating the facts -- that a check is missing; date and amount of the check; other details, if known -- must be sent via the district commander (r) to Commandant (G-FPA-3).

Upon completion of such action, Reserve Pay Branch at Headquarters will work with the Department of Treasury to issue a new check.

If a check has not been received, the Reserve Payroll, Form CGHQ-4458 should be consulted to determine if the check was issued. If the check was not issued, a PAA and/or an updated 4457, as applicable, should be sent to Headquarters.

Reserve Officer Promotion Status

The status of inactive duty Reserve officer promotions to LT through CAPT as of 1 April 1975 is shown below. Listed are the names and signal numbers of the junior officers on the latest selection lists for whom vacancies exist and whose running mates have been promoted. In addition, the officer's position on the selection list and the number remaining on that list are shown.

	Junior Reached	Signal Number	Position On List	Number Left
CAPT - August H. DOUGLAS, Jr.		167	11	6
CDR - Philip L. ADAIR		749	99	0
LCDR - Richard F. SANDERS		1569	70	0
LT - James R. DUNCAN, Jr.		3255	116	129

Reservists Help Out After Marcus Hook Spill Disaster

Third Coast Guard District reservists responded to a Captain of the Port Philadelphia call for assistance to battle fire and pollution on the Delaware River after a tanker collision on 31 January 1975.

The 660-foot American chemical tanker EDGAR M. QUEENY rammed the 754-foot Greek oil tanker S.S. CORINTHOS as the latter was discharging a load of Algerian crude oil at the British Petroleum refinery at Marcus Hook, PA.

CORINTHOS, holding 300,000 barrels or more than 12 million gallons of crude oil, exploded, killing 24 Greek seamen and causing widespread pollution damage.

The Third District Reserve division was contacted for help, and enlisted men and officers from three New Jersey Reserve Groups responded to the call. Reservists from Reserve Groups Atlantic City, Cape May, and Base Gloucester were placed on Special Active Duty for Training (SADT) ranging from two days to two weeks.

As the reservists reported and at Base Gloucester City on Saturday, 1 February 1975, they relieved weary Regulars who had been working steadily since early Friday morning. Three officers and 52 enlisted men were on duty Saturday and three officers and 58 enlisted men Sunday.

The arriving reservists served as boat crews, oil pollution control and monitoring teams, telephone and communications watchers, and vehicle dispatchers and drivers. They also worked on public affairs, security, and helicopter-landing details.



When the Delaware River was closed to traffic, reservists plotted vessels and tracked oil-drenched waterfowl.

Reserve equipment employed included two 31-foot Port Security boats, a 31-foot Bertram, P-250 pumps, and portable radio equipment.

The Avoca (PA) unit from RESGRU Base Gloucester took over the duty section at Base Gloucester City to provide security, logistics, and support.

Reserve unit officers assisting at Base Gloucester City included CDR N. K. KULP, USCGR, Commander, RESGRU Atlantic City; CDR D. W. FREDERICKS, USCGR, Commander, RESGRU Base Gloucester; and LCDR J. W. HUBBARD, USCGR, augmentation officer at RESGRU Base Gloucester.

Base Gloucester City requested 13 of the reservists who had worked through the weekend to remain on duty one or two weeks and continue assisting in Base Gloucester City operations. In addition to these 13 volunteers, another three officers served the extra two weeks.

On 14 February Base Gloucester City requested additional Reserve assistance. They needed reservists each week to monitor containment booms around CORINTHOS and to assist in beach clean-up operations. New York and New Haven (CT)-area reservists volunteered to perform this duty. In the next month, six reservists a week were on duty for three weeks and five were on duty for the other week.

The Third District Commander had considered declaring the incident a disaster and calling up reservists immediately. A total of 75 men from the three Reserve Groups were available to be ordered to immediate active duty.

Original estimates of the situation had called the spill potentially the worst oil pollution in the history of the United States. It was later determined, however, that less oil had been spilled in the Delaware River and surrounding area than originally thought. The reservists assigned met the needs of Base Gloucester City in this incident, and no involuntary recall was required.



than the fifth working day of the following month--otherwise, pay for the entire unit may be delayed for an additional month. Paychecks should be mailed to members the day they are received. Earnings/points statements (the applicable portion of the duplicate CG-4458) should also be mailed promptly to members following receipt. Additionally, each report of incorrect or non-payment should be followed-through until resolved.

I expect each Reserve unit and Group commanding officer to take prompt action to solve pay problems, at the local level if possible, or with the help of the district Reserve division if necessary. However, if any reservist has a problem that is not being resolved through the chain of command--send it to HOTLINE

c/o Chief, Office of Reserve (G-R-1/81)
U. S. Coast Guard
Washington, D. C. 20590
Ph: 202-426-2350

If you write include your home and work phone numbers.

J. E. Johansen

Recent Directives

In order to keep all reservists informed of recent directives affecting the Reserve, all directives issued by the Office of Reserve since 1 July 1974 are listed below.

18 SEP 74 COMDTNOTE 1600. Evaluation of Reserve Enlisted Personnel.

11 OCT 74 COMDTNOTE 1571 (ALDIST 266). Active Duty for Training (ADT) School Solicitation.

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25 OCT 74 COMDTNOTE 1571. Schedule of Reserve ADT Schools, Nov 74 to Jun 75.

25 OCT 74 COMDTNOTE 1741. CH-1 to COMDTNOTE 1741 dtd 24 July 1974 - SGLI Premium Payments for Inactive Duty Reservists.

8 NOV 74 COMDTNOTE 1418. Calendar Year 1975 Servicewide Examinations for Inactive Duty Reserve Personnel.

8 NOV 74 COMDTNOTE 1440. Lateral Changes in Rating for Provisional Petty Officers.

26 NOV 74 COMDTNOTE 5230. Use of SSN as Primary Personnel Identifier for Coast Guard Reserve Personnel.

27 NOV 74 COMDTNOTE 1571. Balanced Training in the CGR.

11 DEC 74 COMDTNOTE 1710. Reserve Officer Participation in the 1975 CIOR Competition; information concerning.

2 JAN 75 COMDTNOTE 1571. First Year Training Requirement for Personnel in the Veteran Program and the Direct Petty Officer Programs.

20 JAN 75 COMDTINST 1120.17. Reserve Officer Academy Recruiting Program (ROAR); establishment of.

20 JAN 75 COMDTNOTE 1414. Modified Requirements to Change from Provisional to Permanent Petty Officer Status in CGR prior to 1 Jan. 1975.

24 JAN 75 COMDTNOTE 1571. Schedule of ADT Schools, July 1975-September 1976.

27 JAN 75 COMDTNOTE 1571. Solicitation for Instructor/ Administrator and Support Personnel at RTC, Yorktown and PARTS, Alameda during Summer 1975.

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for transportation to the local hospital.

Then he directed the evacuation of plant personnel and assisted in bringing the fire under control.

A letter from medical officials credited CDR GARRETT's calm and expert on-the-scene treatment for reducing the extent of the burns and probably saving Mr. Hayward's life.

CDR GARRETT has had extensive Port Security experience in the Coast Guard in addition to Red Cross first aid training.

He resides in Beaufort, S.C. and is currently a member of Volunteer Training Unit (COMP) Jacksonville (Fla.).

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