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FIRST ENDORSEMENT on CO MCAS(H) New River ltr 203:JPD:bdh
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From: Commander

To: Commandant of the Marine Corps (Code HD)

Subj: Semiannual Command Chronology; period 1 July 1973 to
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From: Commanding Officer
To: Commandant of the Marine Corps, (Code HD)
Via: Commander, Marine Corps Air Bases, Eastern Area

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Ref: (a) MCO P5750.1__

1. In accordance with reference (a), the Semiannual Command Chronology for Marine Corps Air Station (Helicopter) New River is hereby submitted.

2. Organizational Data

a. Period covered by this report is 1 July 1973 to 31 December 1973.

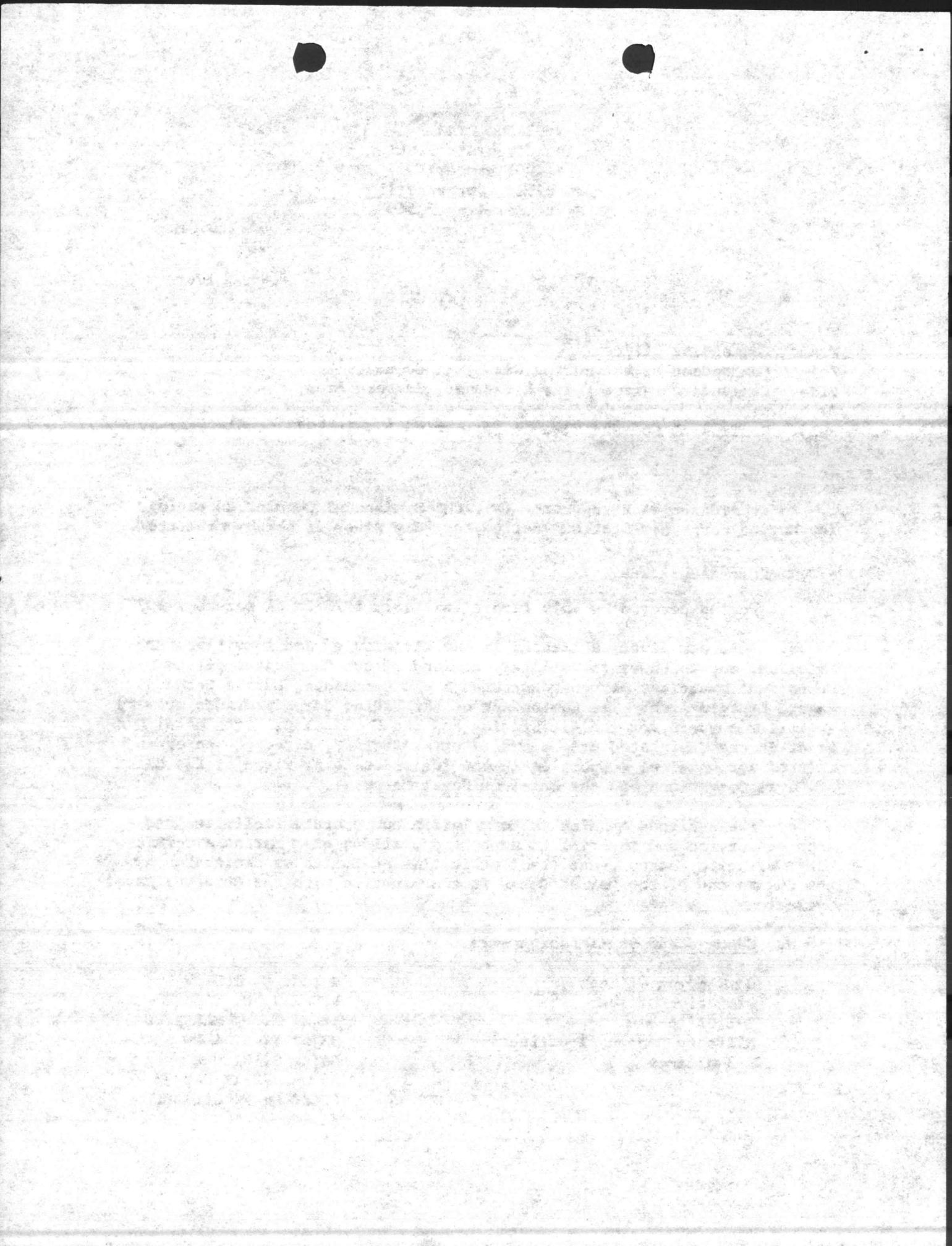
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Military Personnel Officer
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LtCol J. G. WALKER
LtCol M. O. MARTINEZ
Major F. E. LAND
Major G. W. COX
25 Jun 73-11 Sep 73
LtCol G. P. GALLAGHER
12 Sep 73



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Air Traffic Control

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S-4 Officer

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- 31 Oct 73

Cdr W. A. SMITH, USN

- 1 Nov

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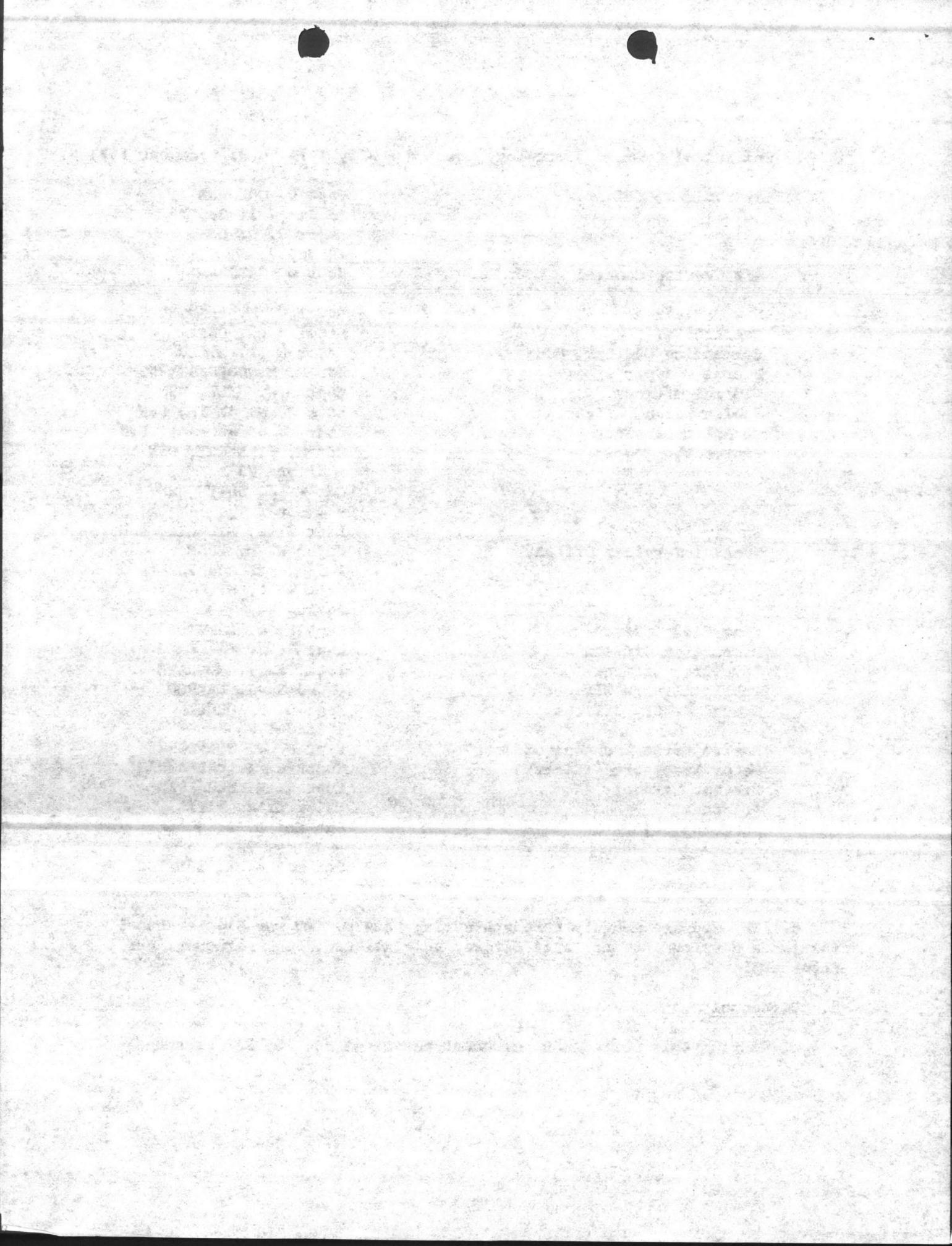
Sgt Maj A. L. BUNTING, Jr

- 1 Dec

e. The average monthly strength during this period was 614 personnel (includes Navy and Marine Corps Officer and Enlisted, both permanent and attached).

3. Personnel

a. During this period, 85 permanent personnel and 169 FAP personnel



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were joined. Fifty Permanent personnel were transferred and 179 FAP personnel were terminated.

b. Thirty-eight Marines were reenlisted and 70 Marines were released from active duty/discharged.

c. During this period, the following promotions were effected within this command:

MSGT-	3	1st Sgt	5	GySgt-	5
SSgt-	5	Sgt-	27	(1 meritorious)	
Cpl	67	(8 meritorious)			
LCpl-	70	(4 meritorious)			
Pfc-	28				

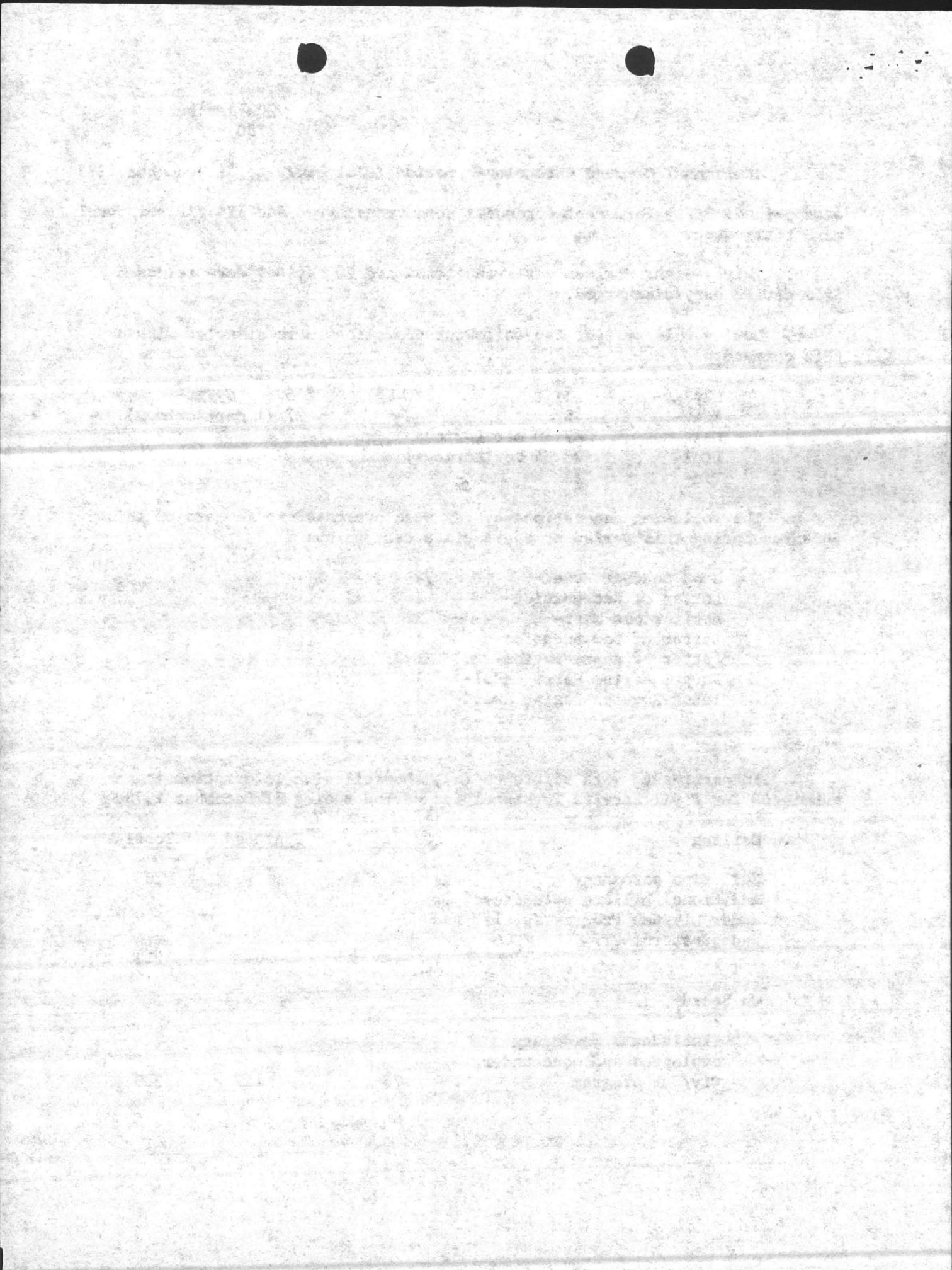
e. The following decorations/awards were presented to members of this Squadron during this period at appropriate ceremonies:

Good Conduct Medal-	78
Letter of Recognition-	1
Meritorious Mast-	2
Letter of Commendation-	1
Letter of Appreciation-	29
Navy & Marine Corps Medal-	1
Inter-Service Boxing Award-	1

4. GPO

a. In accordance with reference (a), the following information is submitted for Civil Service Personnel for period ending 31 December 1973.

b. Ceiling	<u>Graded</u>	<u>Ungraded</u>	<u>Total</u>
Full time permanent			208
Additional billets authorized under Civ/Sub Program for 1st and 2nd quarters, FY74			4
	TOTAL		212
On Board			
(Includes 3 Temporary employees and none under Civ/Sub program	73	127	200



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- c. During this period 6 employees retired.
- d. The civilian turnover was 20 separations and 33 accessions.

5. Training

a. The Operational Flight/Weapons System Branch has two major training devices.

(1) The 2F75 is the CH46D Operational Flight Trainer and was not utilized. The trainer is in a non-reporting status awaiting disposition instructions. It no longer meets the requirements of the utilizing activities.

(2) The 2B10 A is a Basic Helicopter Instrument trainer and was scheduled 492 hours. It was available 440 hours and utilized 378 hours. This reflects a utilization percentage of 85.9%.

b. Audio-Visual/Film Library Branch has 107 items of equipment on hand and has issued on temporary and extended custody the following number of occasions: Movie Projectors - 300; Slide Projectors - 72; Overhead Projectors - 24; Opaque Projectors - 30; Screens - 108; Films - 899; Lecturnettes - 24; Tape Recorders - 12. This branch does all preventive maintenance and repairs on these devices plus those belonging to other units. The Branch has also made 300 transparencies for use as training aids. The T/O for this branch is manned by two personnel, one of which is Fleet Augmentation and has been vacant for this reporting period.

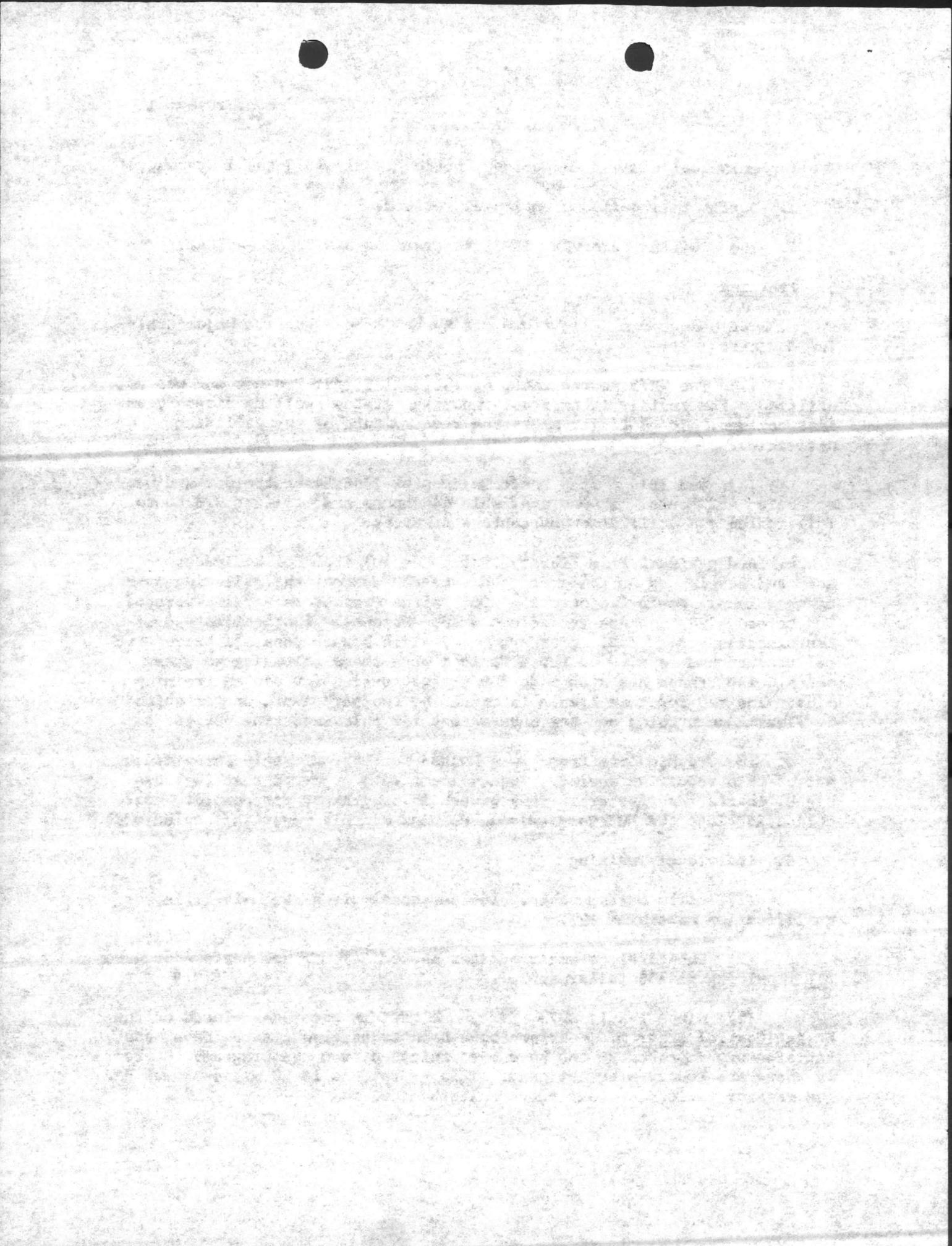
c. The Graphic Arts Branch was manned for approximately three months out of this reporting period. Twenty items were produced that includes signs, charts, and posters. This branch is programmed for complete consolidation into the MCB Camp Lejeune complex as this reporting period ends.

d. Individual Training

(1) Rifle Marksmanship. 166 personnel fired the M-14 rifle for qualification attaining 93%.

(2) The final calendar quarter showed 447 Marines performing the PFT resulting in 134 failures.

(3) Since 1 July 1973, Fifty-one Marines have been placed on the Weight Control Program. Fourteen have been transferred, three have made satisfactory improvement and have been released from the program. Currently there are twenty-nine assigned. This group runs 18-20 miles a week and has regular periods at continuous calisthenics.



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(4) Drownproofing tests resulted in 67 qualified out of 109 participants.

e. Pistol Requalification resulted in 51 officers and SNCO's qualifying with respective T/O weapons. In addition, 74 sergeants and below received familiarization firing.

6. Airfield Operations

a. Crash Crew and Fire Department

(1) Crash Crew Division: The combined Crash Crew Division and structural Fire Department has 20 vehicles assigned for aircraft crash and structural fire protection. Six of the 20 pieces are on loan from Marine Aircraft Group 26 and 2 are on loan from Marine Aircraft Group 29 and are used to supplement the station equipment.

b. The Crash Crew Division accomplished the following during the period 1 July - 31 December 1973.

(1) Aircraft Standbys: The Station Crash Crew stoodby for 42 aircraft emergencies.

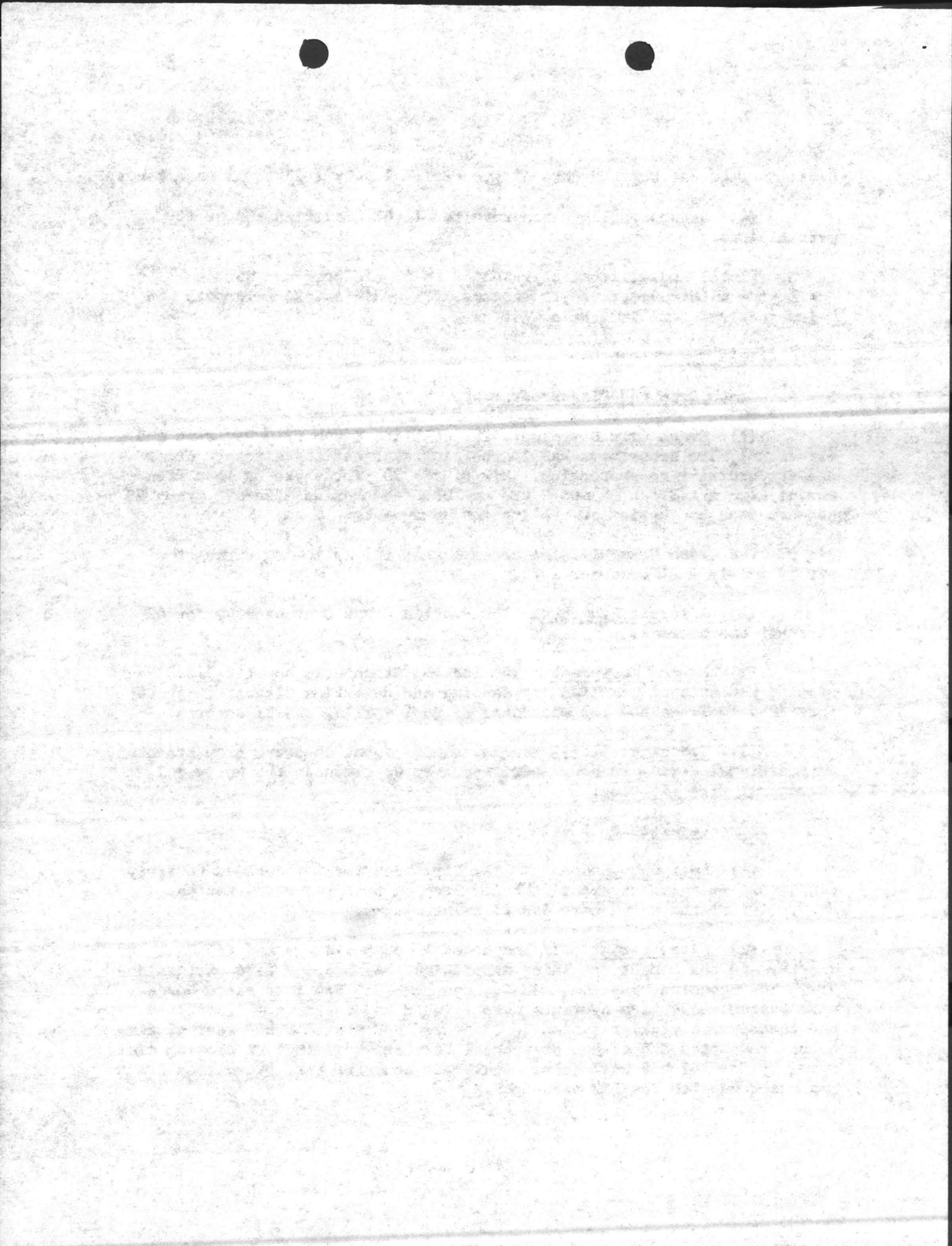
(2) Manned Equipment: The Station Crash Crew spent 2,378.8 hours manning the hotspot position for landing and departing aircraft, stoodby for 222 defuelings and 153 washdowns of fuel spills, and 37 escorts.

(3) Training: 1,222 man hours were spent on crash crew training. An additional 216.4 man hours were spent cross training the Marines in structural fire fighting.

c. Fire Department

(1) Emergency Response: The Fire Department responded to sixty eight (68) emergencies aboard the Air Station this reporting period. Forty (40) of the above were due to false alarms.

(2) Fire Prevention: Inspected 1,400 buildings and Capehart quarters on the monthly building inspection. Also 3,847 fire extinguishers were inspected, Station, MAG-26, and MAG-29; 814 fire alarm boxes were tested; 334 fire hydrants were flushed and inspected; inspected and tested 97 sprinkler systems; inspected and tested 8,400 feet of fire hose; inspected 876 clubs, or special services buildings at closing time; stood by for 142 hot work jobs. Sixty-six hours of Fire Prevention Training was conducted for FMF personnel.



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(3) Training: The structural fire fighting personnel were given forty (40) hours of aircraft crash/rescue training, and 312 hours in Structural firefighting training. All of the above training was conducted by the Fire Department personnel this reporting period.

d. Aircraft Maintenance Division

(1) 1107.4

Total Flight Hours
Total by A/C Type

T-28.3	850.5
US-2ASB	256.9

(2) A/C 136438 Received 3 Aug 73
 136452 Received 18 Jul 73
 133118 Trans 21 Jul 73
 133187 Trans 9 Sep 73

(3) Type Equip	% O.P. Ready	% NORM	% NORM	% N.O.P.
T28.3	50.7%	30.5%	19.8%	18.9%
US2-BA	51.0%	11.0%	35.0%	38.0%

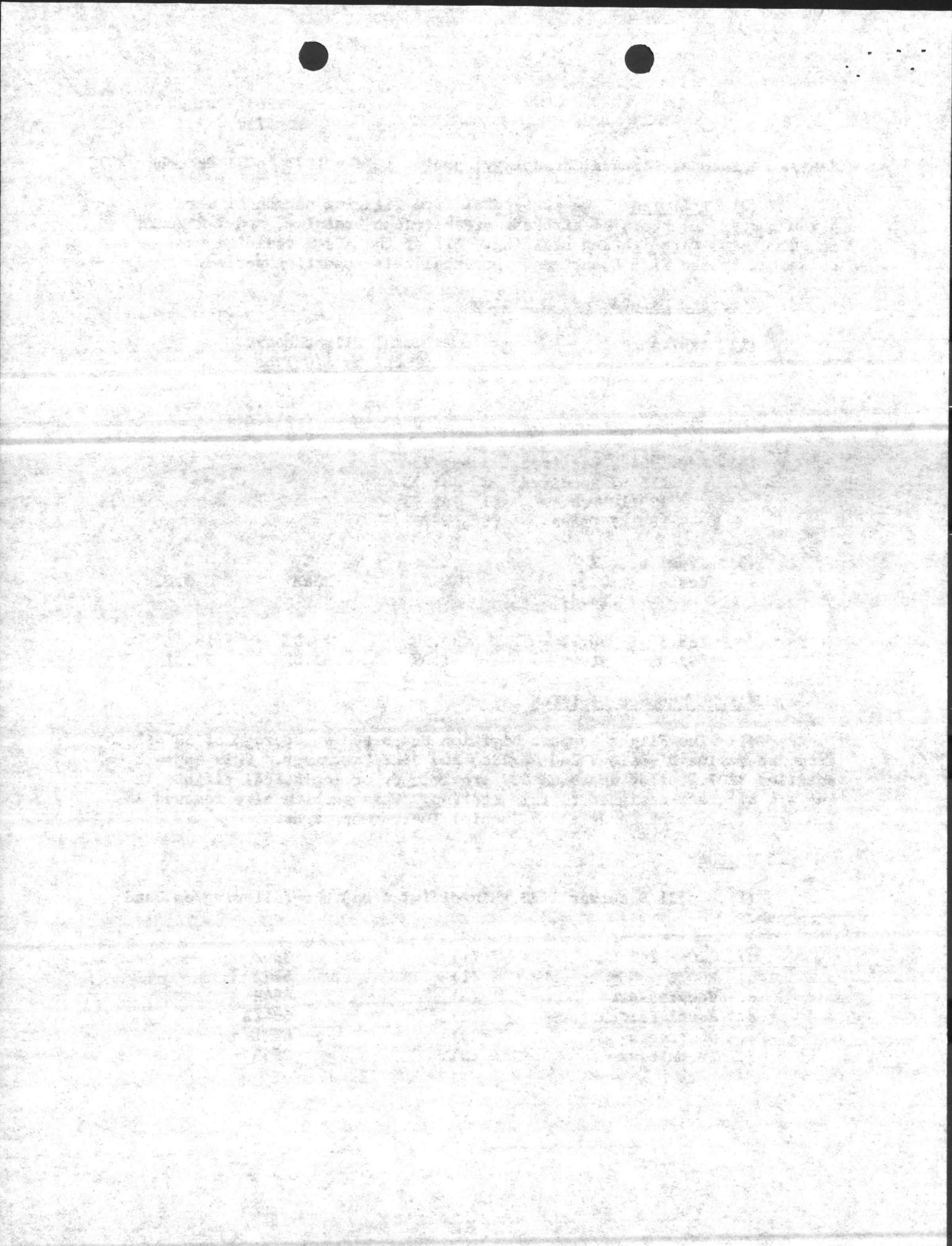
e. Flight Support Division

(1) The Flight Support Division supported an average of 50 pilots from 2nd Marine Division, 2nd Anglico and H&HS New River. This support entailed 2207.8 pilot hours on 537 proficiency or logistical flights in the six aircraft assigned to this station. This section also renewed 28 Standard Instrument Cards and 4 Special Instrument Cards.

f. Weather

(1) On 31 December 1973 this division had the following on hand strength.

a. OIC - 2nd Lt	(1)	6802
b. NCOIC - MSGT	(1)	6842
c. Forecasters	(4)	6842
d. Asst ^r Forecasters	(2)	6842
e. Observers	(29)	6821
f. Technicians	(0)	2853



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(2) During this period the following personnel were transferred (tr)/ joined (jd)/ discharged (disc)/ reassigned (rea).

a. NCOIC	(6842)	(rea)	from Special Services
b. Forecasters	(6842)	(tr)	2 (jd) 1
c. Asst' Forecasters	(6842)	(jd)	2
d. Observers	(6821)	(tr)	6 (rea) 2 (jd) 8
e. Technicians	(2853)	(rea)	1

(3) Administration

a. This division continued to maintain a 24 hour daily forecaster and observational program, with forecasts produced and disseminated locally and observations transmitted via Air Force Teletype Circuit plus local dissemination.

b. A total of 634 IFR, 817 WFR, and 354 local flight forecasts were issued, in addition, 81 destructive weather warnings were disseminated to parent and tenant commands at NEAS(H) and Camp Lejeune.

c. Monthly Climatological, Astronomical, and Tidal data was computed and published for use at the Air Station and Camp Lejeune.

(4) Training

a. The following technical training was conducted.

1. Weather Observing Techniques, 324 hours.
2. Weather Forecasting Techniques, 108 hours.
3. Weather Equipment Maintenance, 40 hours.

(5) Lectures

a. Ten (10) one hour lectures were given to tenant command.

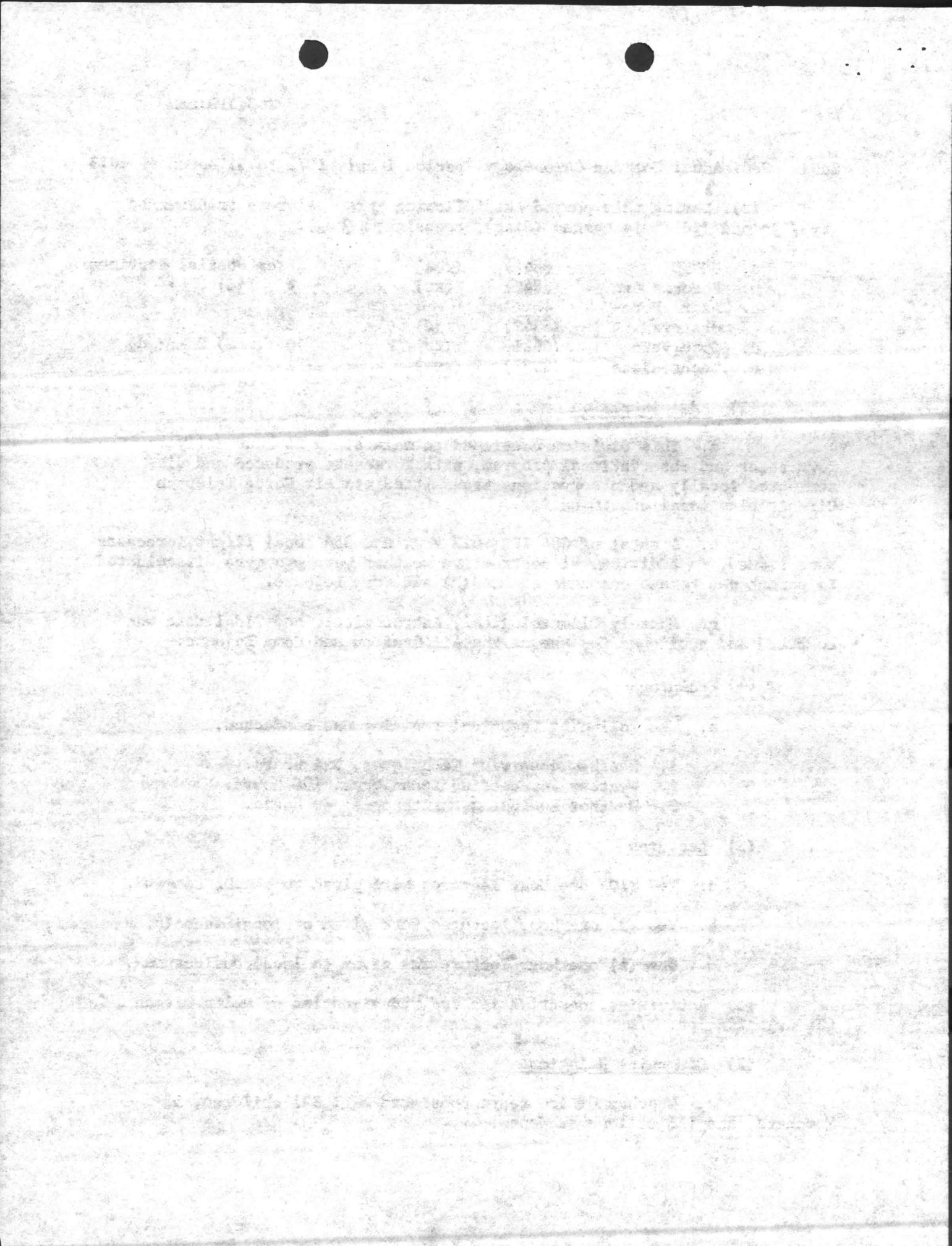
b. Two (2) one hour lectures were given at local schools.

c. One (1) one hour lecture was given to local businessmen.

(6) Activities, deactivation and redesignation of units within the organization. N/A

(7) Community Relations

a. Weather Office tours consisted of 1,321 children, 53 Teachers, and 126 college students.



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(8) Ceremonies

- a. Provided personnel for local retirement/change of command ceremonies.
- b. Modification to Plant and Facility. N/A
- c. New Programs and Changes. N/A

8. Air Traffic Control Division

(1) Air Traffic Operations. Total operations during the reporting period were 71,785. There were 1741 passengers manifested of whom 228 were VIP's. The visiting aircraft line serviced 813 transient aircraft and moved 81.1 tons of cargo. Total operating hours numbered 2378.6.

(2) Significant Events. The average personnel strength during this period numbered 32 Marines and 1 civilian. The average tower strength was 22; the average flight clearance strength was 8; and the visiting aircraft line averaged 2 Marines and 1 civilian. These average numbers include Fleet Assist Personnel. Responsibility for Marine Personnel for the visiting aircraft line was transferred to the Aircraft Maintenance Division September 1973.

(3) Training. The Control Tower Branch reported 4 Ground Control, 4 Flight Data, and 2 FAA Facility Rating Qualifications Issued. One Marine successfully completed GCA "C" school at NATTC Glynco, Georgia, the Flight Clearance Branch reported the qualification of two 7041's, one of 7,000, and two 6712's as a result of OJT.

7. Modification Plant and Facilities

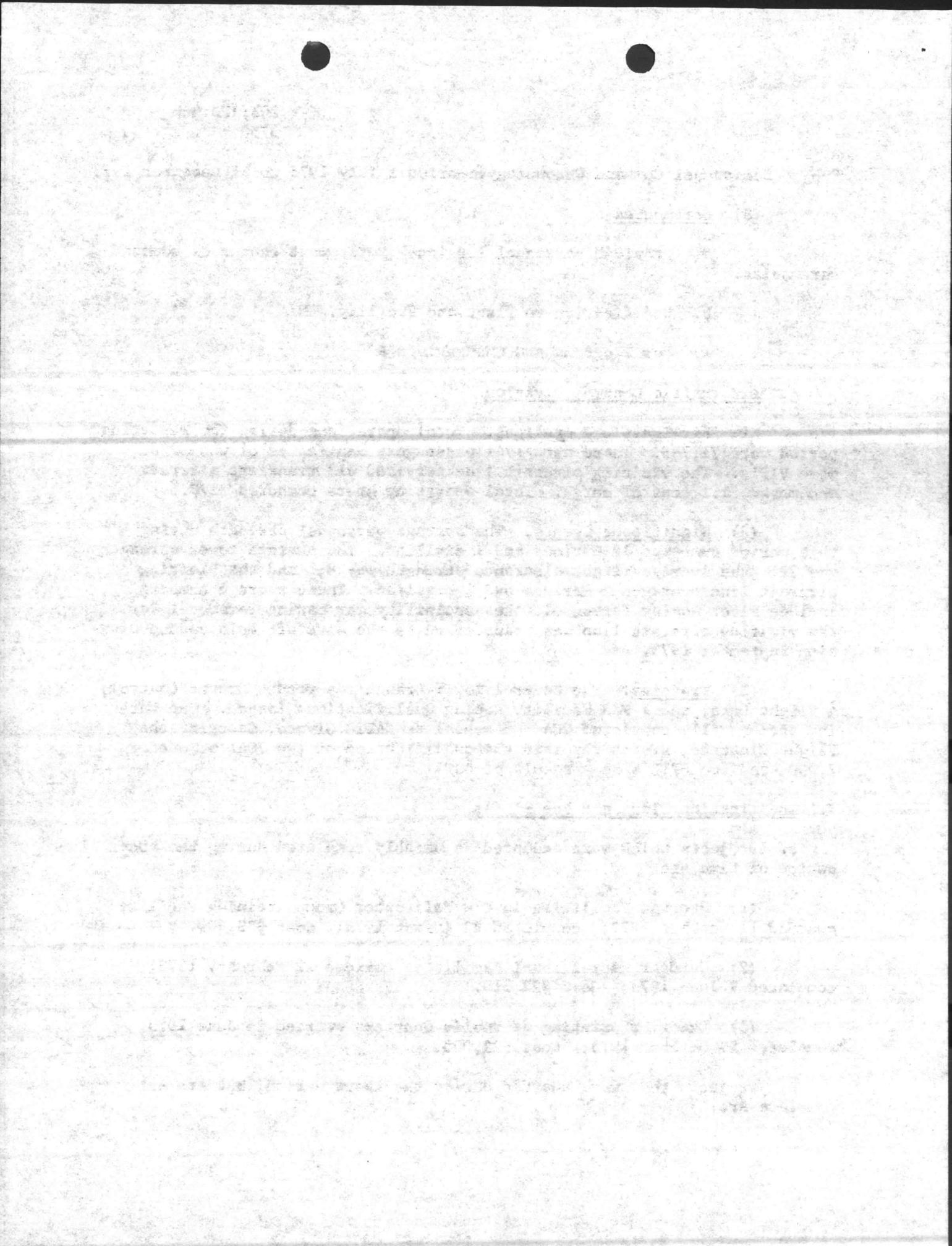
a. Projects which were accepted as useably completed during the above period of time are:

(1) Storage Facilities in C/W Helicopter Group Training Facility awarded 11 October 1972; completed 22 August 1973; Cost \$33,200.

(2) Outdoor Recreational Facilities awarded 22 February 1973; completed 7 June 1973; Cost \$22,310.

(3) Exterior painting of Public Quarters awarded 26 June 1973; completed 20 October 1973; Cost \$22,000.

b. Projects that were awarded during the above period, but are not complete are:



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- (1) Replace Heating Units in Public Quarters; awarded 26 June 1973 completion date 27 January 1974; Cost \$35,746.
- (2) Housing Electrical Repairs and Improvements awarded 29 June 1973 completion date; 11 December 1973; Cost \$24,750.
- (3) Repairs & Painting - Hangar Bldg 504; awarded 29 June 1973; completion date; 11 March 1974; Cost \$270,000.
- (4) Repairs & Painting - Hangar Bldg 515; awarded 29 June 1973; completion date; 9 February 1974; Cost \$83,862.
- (5) Repairs & Painting - Hangar Bldg 840; awarded 29 June 1973; completion date; 10 June 1974; Cost \$82,000.
- (6) Repairs to Warehouse Bldg 424; awarded 29 June 1973; completion date; 10 January 1974; Cost \$65,459.
- (7) GCA Power awarded; 29 June 1973; completion date; 10 January 1974; Cost \$28,750.
- (8) Sewer Improvements; awarded 29 June 1973; completion date; 11 November 1973; Cost \$41,094.
- (9) Bachelor Enlisted Quarters; awarded 4 June 1973; completion date; 27 September 1974; Cost \$2,001,774.

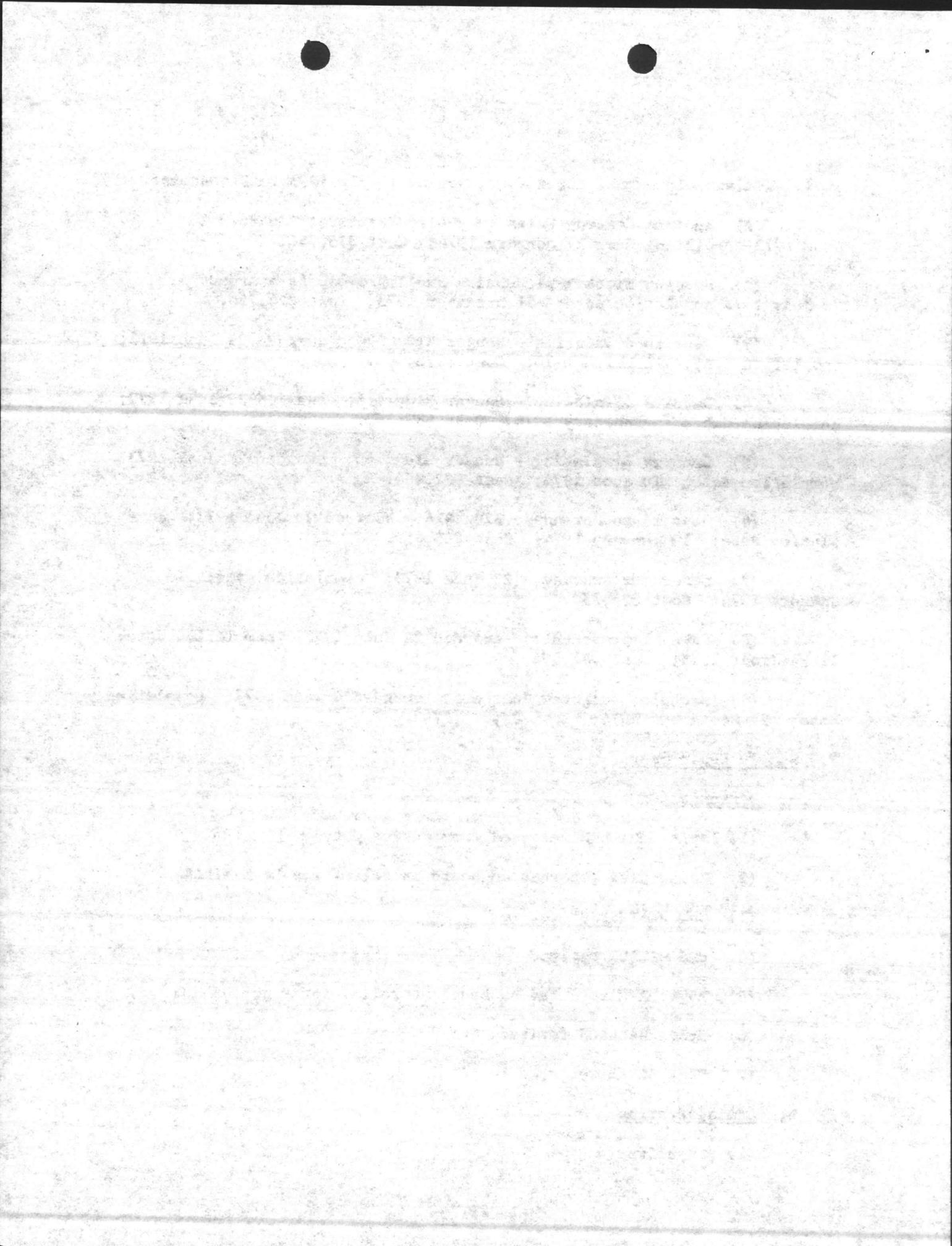
7. Supply Department

a. Personnel

- (1) 1stLt McMILLEN released from active duty
- (2) 2ndLt KIRK reported on board as relief for Lt McMILLEN
- (3) CWO WEATHERSBY retired
- (4) CWO WILBUR retired
- (5) MSgt HAMM reported on board as relief for MSgt JOHNSON
- (6) GySgt WALLACE retired
- (7) SSgt BLAKE reported in

b. Administration

- (1) Negative



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c. Training

(1) WO1 BAXLEY completed Petroleum Officers Course at Fort Lee, Virginia.

(2) GySgt BOYD completed Petroleum Analysis Course at Fort Lee, Virginia.

(3) SSgt HOPKINS is attending NCO Leadership School, Montford Point.

(4) Training continues in accordance with the Station basic training program and local Supply Department training procedures.

d. Activations, deactivations, and redesignations of units within the organization.

(1) Negative.

e. Community Relations.

(1) On several occasions, we have arranged tours of the Dining Facility and have fed organizations such as Scouts, Students, Church Groups and Midshipmen.

f. Ceremonies

(1) Negative.

g. Modification to plant and facility

(1) Dining Facility #226 received a new mixer.

(2) The collateral equipment requirement has been updated and new equipment has been requested to replace old worn out equipment and to improve cooking methods and service to the patrons.

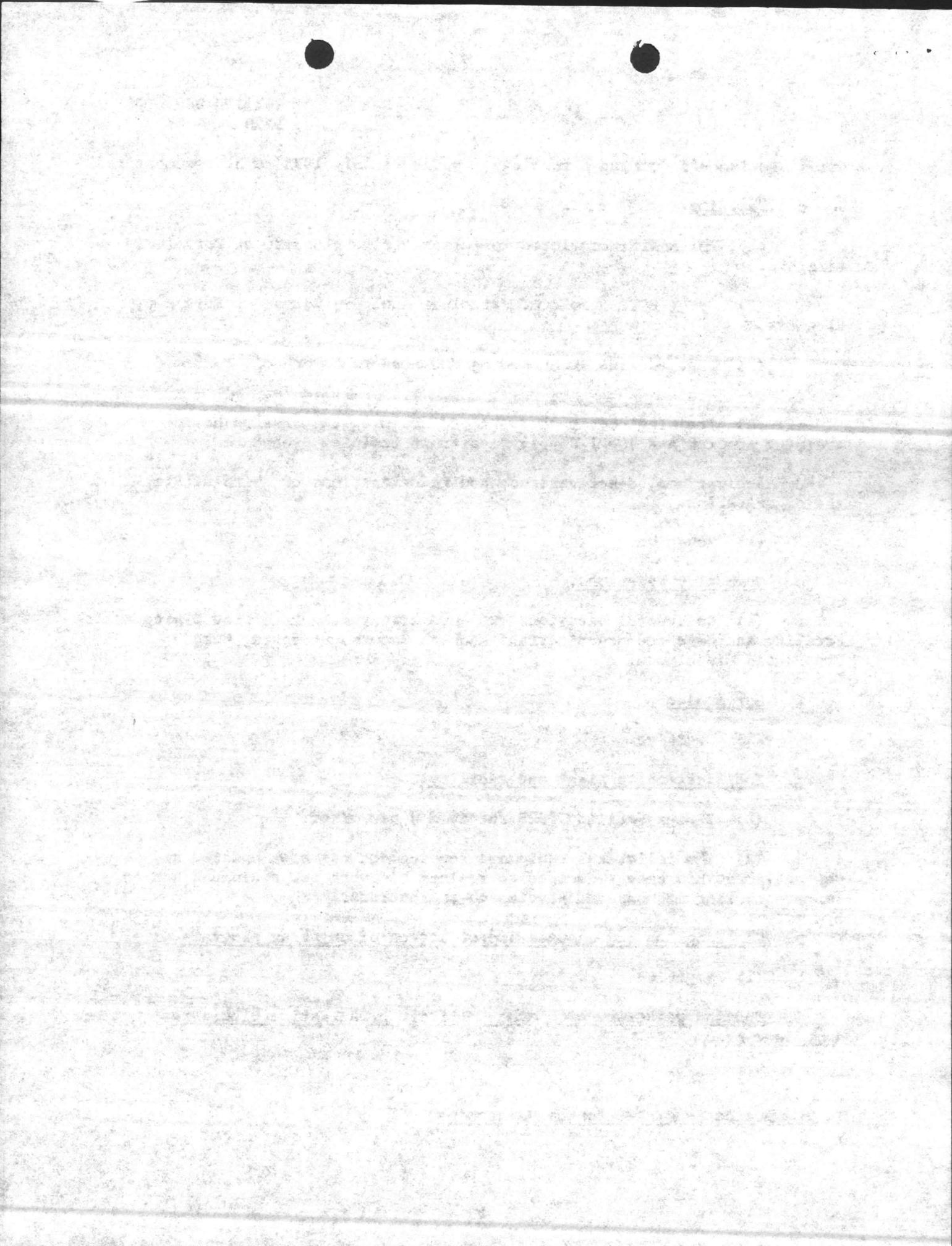
h. New Programs and changes and/or status of existing programs

(1) Negative

i. Command relations with other military organization within the immediate area

(1) Negative.

9. Communications/Electronics Department



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a. Modification to Plant and Facility: Plans have been implemented to decrease direct dial telephone service to New River subscribers. The scope of direct dial capability previously provided induced exorbitant toll abuse. To curtail this, toll restricters will be installed during January, 1974.

b. New Programs and Changes and/or Status of Existing Programs

(1) CFM-4 Radar Site: Construction of the CFM-4 Radar Site began last August and is still under construction.

(2) VHF/UHF Project: The target date is still open pending completion of modifications to the GRT-2/GRT-22 transmitters.

(3) Communication Control System for Air Traffic Control: An interim, rehabilitated AN/FRA-11 is under contract and will be installed during February 1974. A new AN/PSA-58(V) communications control system is programmed for installation during the first part of February 1977.

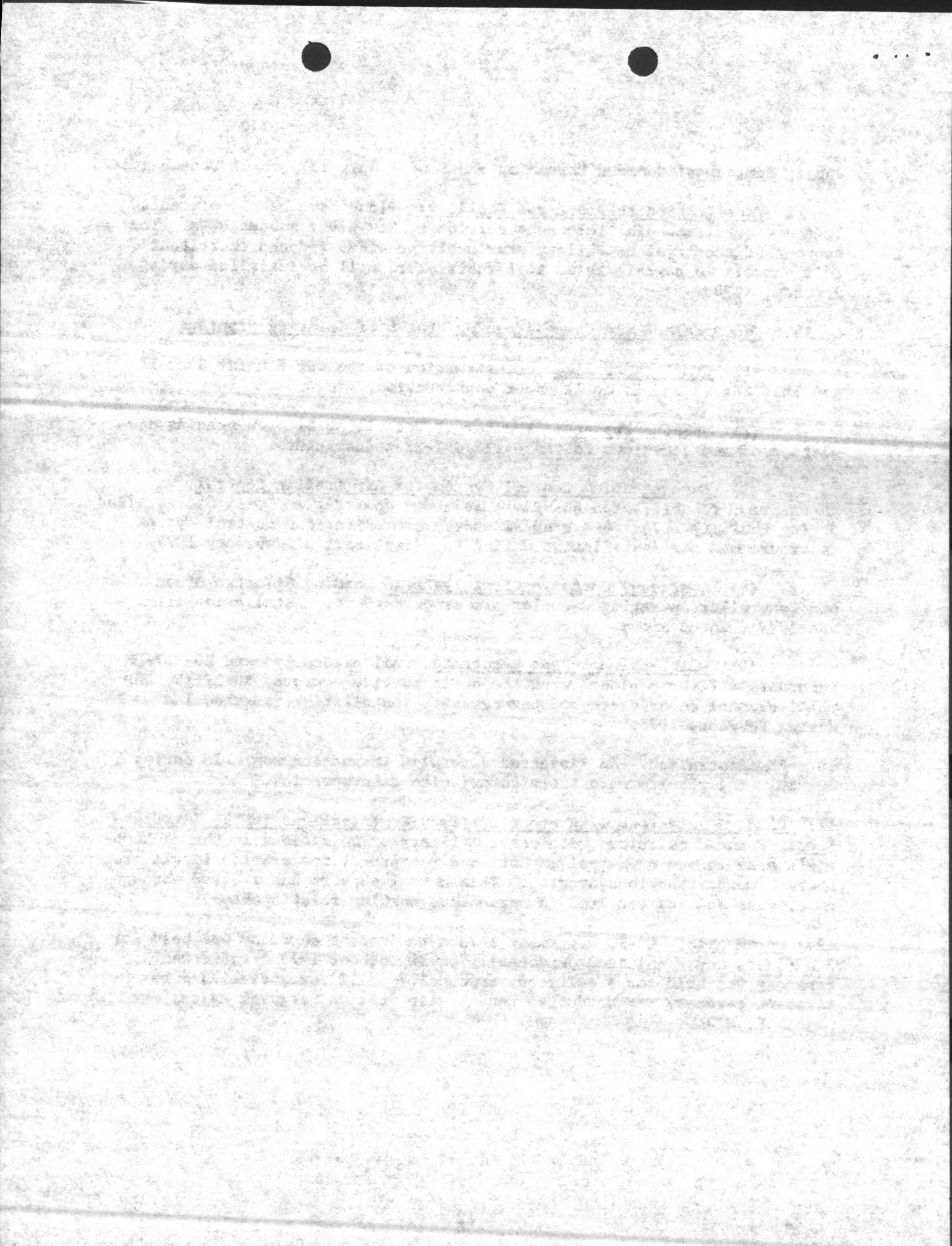
(4) Emergency Communications System: Landing Selectro Group and Controller Operating Consoles are programmed for installation with PSA-58(V), noted above.

(5) Multi-channel Tape Recorders: All presently used RD-217/UNH recorders will be replaced with the newly service approved RD-379(V) UNH multi-channel recorder-reproducer system. Installation is scheduled during February 1975.

10. Administration. An Inspector General's inspection was held during August. The results were satisfactory with discrepancies.

11. Command Relations with other Military Organizations in the Immediate Area. Command relations with other military organizations in the Jacksonville area is one of mutual support and reciprocal cooperation in all areas where command functions overlap. This mutual support has evolved through experience and has resulted in harmonious working relationships.

12. Ceremonies. On 30 September 1973 a retirement ceremony was held for 3 officers and 2 enlisted personnel. On 31 October 1973 a retirement ceremony was held for 3 enlisted personnel. On 30 November 1973 a retirement ceremony was conducted for the Air Station Sergeant Major, Sgt Maj L. E. HEALY.

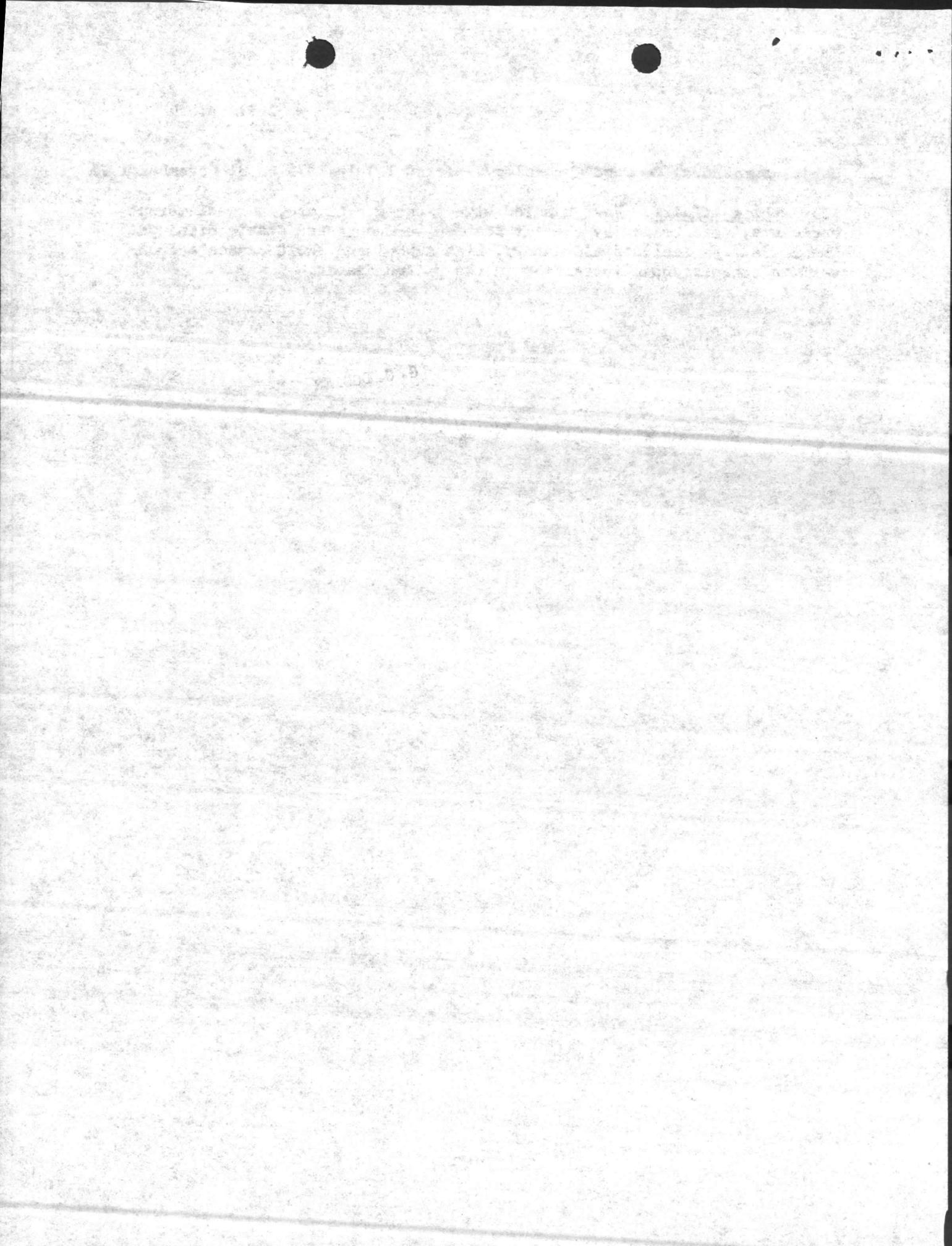


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13. Public Affairs. Four hundred eighty-three visitors, on 9 different occasions, were hosted by the Air Station for tours and static displays. These visitors included elementary, high school and JROTC students from various schools and universities in the United States.

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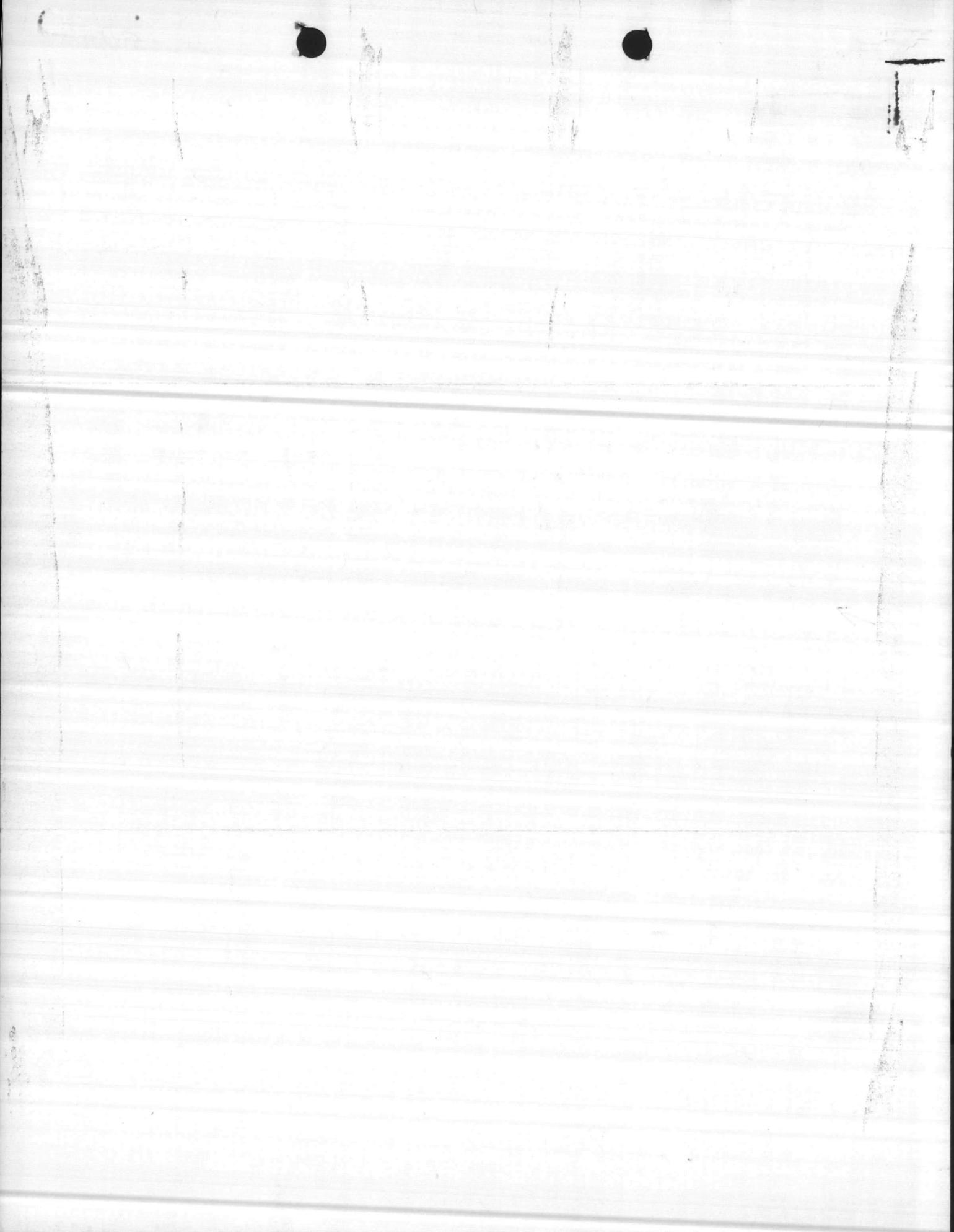
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Military Personnel Officer	Maj F. E. LAND
S-3 Officer	LtCol D. W. WRIGHT 1 Jan - 25 Jun
	Maj G. W. COX 25 Jun -
\ Operations Officer	Maj G. W. COX 1 Jan - 25 Jun
	Capt D. R. GRESHAM 25 Jun -
S-4 Officer	LtCol R. H. NELSON
Comptroller	LtCol J. G. WALKER
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Protestant Chaplain	Cdr H. F. LECKY, USN
Supply Officer	LCdr E. W. BILLICKE, USN
Special Services Officer	Maj A. A. FRISENDA 1 Jan - 6 Jan
	Maj J. R. THROGMORTON 6 Jan - 1 Jun
	Maj W. M. BUSH 1 Jun -
Comm/Elec Officer	Capt J. P. GALLIGAN 1 Jan - 12 Feb
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Education Officer

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1 Jan - 27 Feb

1stLt M. H. HAND
27 Feb - 8 May

1stLt D. L. DANIELS
8 May - 25 Jun

1stLt A. T. McGRATH
26 Jun -

Public Affairs Officer

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Ground Safety Officer

Capt D. F. CECIL

Marine Corps Exchange Officer

Capt K. E. JOHNSON
1 Jan - 26 Apr

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Motor Transport Officer

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3. Personnel

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b. Nineteen Marines were reenlisted and 93 Marines were released from active duty/discharged.

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c. During this period the following promotions were effected:

<u>MSgt</u>	<u>GySgt</u>	<u>SSgt</u>	<u>Sgt</u>	<u>Cpl</u>	<u>LCpl</u>	<u>PFC</u>
1	4	7	22	26	96	19

d. Civil Service Personnel

(1) As of 30 June 1973, the status of civil service employees was as follows:

	<u>Graded</u>	<u>Ungraded</u>	<u>Total</u>
Ceiling (Full time permanent as of 30 June 1973)			*208
On Board	73	113	186

* Two billets transferred to MCB Camp Lejeune due to telephone consolidation.

(2) During this period eight employees retired.

(3) For this six month period, the civilian turnover was 12 separations and 3 accessions.

5. Training

a. Rifle Range. As of 30 June 1973, 112 Station Personnel had fired the M-14 Rifle with an 82% qualification rate.

b. Physical Training. 481 Marines ran the PFT during this reporting period.

c. Weight Control Program. Although the Command has had a Weight Control Program since directed by CMC, on 1 Oct 72 this program was placed under the supervision of a qualified physical training instructor. Since that time 63 Marines have been placed on the program; fourteen have been transferred or discharged at their EAS. 29 have made satisfactory improvement and have been released from the program. The average running time for this group is 10 minutes per mile sustained for six miles. This fact represents a good indication of cardiovascular conditioning for these Marines.

d. Drownproofing. 122 Marines attended Drownproofing during this reporting period.

e. Pistol Requalification and Familiarization. 146 Marines requalified/FAM Fired with respective T/O Weapons during this reporting period.

6. Airfield Operations

a. Crash/Fire Department

(1) Crash Crew Division. The following was accomplished:

(a) The Station Crash Crew responded to 39 aircraft emergencies during this reporting period.

(b) Manned Equipment. The Station Crash Crew manned runway alert 2,240.5 hours for aircraft operations; standby for 261 defuelings, 175 washdowns of fuel spills, and 51 escort commitments.

(c) Aircraft Crashes. The Station Crash Crew responded to 1 aircraft crash. On 14 March 1973 a CH-53D crashed and burned on the field resulting in the loss of the aircraft and four of its crew.

(d) Training. A total of 2,278 manhours were devoted to crash crew training. An additional 103.7 manhours were spent cross-training personnel in structural fire fighting.

b. Aircraft Maintenance Division

(1) During this period, there were 1216.0 aircraft flight hours flown by aircraft assigned for station support (tenant helicopter groups not included). Total flight time by aircraft type was as follows: T28B - 1067.0; US2A - 32.5; U11A - 116.5.

(2) Aircraft transactions were as follows: Aircraft BuNo 149051 - U11A was transferred to HQMC, Flt, Sect. on 21 May 1973. Aircraft BuNo 140047 - T28B was transferred to NARF, Pensacola on 5 April 1973. Aircraft BuNo 133287 - US2A was received from NAF, Washington, D. C. on 30 May 1973. Aircraft BuNo 133118 - US2A was received from NAF Washington, D. C. on 5 June 1973.

(3) Operational Readiness report is as follows:

TYPE EQUIP	PERCENT OPERATIONALLY READY	PERCENT NOT OPERATIONALLY READY SUPPLY	PERCENT NOT OPERATIONALLY READY MAINT	PERCENT NOT OPERATIONALLY READY
US2A	47.0%	39.1%	13.9%	53.0%
T28B	48.7%	29.9%	12.4%	42.3%
U11A	61.8%	21.6%	6.6%	38.2%

c. Flight Support Division. The Flight Support Division supported an average of 50 pilots from 2nd Marine Division, 2nd Anglico and H&HS New River. This support entailed 2494.8 pilot hours on 1246 proficiency or logistical flights in the six aircraft assigned to this station. This section also renewed 26 Standard Instrument Cards and 5 Special Instrument Cards.

d. Weather Service Division

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(1) Administration. This Division continued to maintain a 24 hour weather observation program, with observations transmitted via Air Force Weather Teletype Circuit.

(a) A total of 862 IFR, 778 VFR, and 223 local flight forecasts were issued. In addition, 89 destructive weather warnings were disseminated to parent and tenant commands at MCAS(H), New River and Camp Lejeune.

(b) Monthly Climatological, Astronomical, and Tidal Data was computed and published for use at MCAS(H) New River and Camp Lejeune.

(2) Training

(a) During this reporting period, technical training was carried out with the following results: Weather Observing techniques - 108 hours; Weather Forecasting techniques - 58 hours; Weather Equipment Maintenance - 36 hours.

(b) Eight one hour lectures were given to tenant command pilots on weather.

(3) New Programs and Changes and/or Status of Existing Programs

(a) The AN/GMQ-19 Weathervision was deleted from the allowance list for this station and all equipment returned.

(b) This station assumed responsibility of Blast Forecasting for Camp Lejeune on 14 May 1973.

e. Air Traffic Control Division

(1) Air Traffic Operations. Total operations during the reporting period were 82,238. There were 1,827 passengers manifested of whom 125 were VIPs. The Visiting Aircraft Line serviced 2,422 transient aircraft and moved 167,118.0 tons of cargo. Total operating hours numbered 2108.7.

(2) Significant Events. The average personnel strength during this period numbered 31 Marines and 1 Civilian. The average tower strength was 20; the average Flight Clearance strength was 8; and the Visiting Aircraft Line averaged 2 Marines and 1 Civilian.

(3) Training. The Control Tower Branch reported 4 Ground Control, 7 Flight Data, and 4 FAA Facility Rating Qualifications issued. Two Marines successfully completed GCA "C" School at NATTC Glynco, Georgia.

f. Operational Flight/Weapons Systems Branch

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(1) The 2F75 Section is the CH-46D Operational Flight Trainer. The Trainer was scheduled for 616 hours. It was available for 616 hours, and was utilized by 266 pilots for 485 hours with a utilization percentage of 79%.

(2) The 2B10A Basic Instrument Trainer was scheduled for 850 hours. It was available 826 hours and was utilized by 376 pilots for 708 hours. This reflects a utilization percentage of 86%.

g. The Film Library Branch issues, inspects, and repairs all training films as required. For this reporting period 910 films were issued.

h. The Audio-Visual Branch has 109 items of equipment on hand and has issued on temporary and extended custody the following number of occasions: Movie Projectors - 210; Screens - 95; Slide Projectors - 52; Lecternets - 22; Chalkboards - 1; Overhead Projectors - 45; Opaque Projectors - 56; Record Players - 0; Tape Recorders - 35. The Audio-Visual Branch does all preventive maintenance and repairs on these devices plus those belonging to other units. Audio-Visual has made 300 transparencies for use as training aids. This branch is manned by two personnel, one of which is Fleet Augmentation.

8. Modification Plant and Facilities

a. Projects which were accepted as completed during the above period of time are:

(1) Abbreviated Repair Project - awarded 30 June 1972:
Cost - \$171,980.

(2) Repairs to Mess Hall Cold Storage Areas - awarded 30 June 1972: Cost - \$80,450.

b. Projects awarded during the above period, but not complete are:

(1) VMO Hangar - awarded 26 Jan 1973; completion date - 3 Sep 1974: Cost - \$1,340,121.

(2) BEQ - Awarded 26 Mar 1973; completion date - 6 Aug 1974:
Cost - \$2,026,420.

(3) Outdoor Recreational Facilities - Awarded 22 Feb 1973;
Completion date - 7 June 1973: Cost \$22,310.

9. Supply Department

a. Significant Events. On several occasions, tours of the Dining Facility have been arranged, and local civilian organizations fed.

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(1) The 2755 Section is the OH-455 Operational Flight Trainer. The Trainer was scheduled for 616 hours. It was available for 616 hours and was utilized by 266 pilots for 485 hours with a utilization percentage of 79%.

(2) The 2810A Basic Instrument Trainer was scheduled for 820 hours. It was available 820 hours and was utilized by 378 pilots for 703 hours. This reflects a utilization percentage of 86%.

g. The Film Library Branch issues, inspects, and repairs all training films as required. For this reporting period 910 films were issued.

h. The Audio-Visual Branch has 109 items of equipment on hand and has issued on temporary and extended custody the following number of items: Projectors - 210; Screens - 95; Slide Projectors - 52; Lecterns - 22; Chalkboards - 1; Overhead Projectors - 42; Overhead Projectors - 56; Record Players - 0; Tape Recorders - 32. The Audio-Visual Branch does all preventive maintenance and repairs on these devices plus those belonging to other units. Audio-Visual has made 300 transcriptions for use as training aids. This branch is manned by two personnel, one of which is Fleet Assignment.

8. Modification Plant and Facilities

a. Projects which were accepted as completed during the above period of time are:

(1) Abbreviated Repair Project - awarded 30 June 1972
Cost - \$171,380.

(2) Repairs to Mess Hall Cold Storage Areas - awarded 30 June 1972
Cost - \$80,450.

b. Projects awarded during the above period, but not complete are:

(1) VMO Hangar - awarded 26 Jan 1973; completion date - 3 Sep 1974; Cost - \$1,240,121.

(2) BEO - awarded 26 Mar 1973; completion date - 6 Aug 1974; Cost - \$2,026,450.

(3) Outdoor Recreational Facilities - awarded 22 Feb 1973; completion date - 7 June 1973; Cost \$22,310.

9. Supply Department

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b. On 28 June 1973 a retirement ceremony was held for three Officers and four enlisted personnel.

13. Public Affairs

a. 447 visitors, on 13 different occasions, were hosted by the Air Station for tours and static displays. These visitors included elementary school children and JROTC students from various schools in the United States.

b. 45 volunteer rescue squad members from Area III of the North Carolina Association of Rescue Squads visited the Air Station to learn how New River Marines handle fire and emergency rescue operations.

c. Two former POWs, LtCol Jerry MARVEL and Capt Bruce ARCHER, landed at New River's McCutcheon Field, on their return to the U.S. and the Camp Lejeune Naval Hospital. Hundreds of civilian and military well-wishers were on hand to greet them.

d. The Deputy Secretary of Defense, Honorable William P. Clements, Jr., held a press conference at the Air Station, at the completion of the joint military exercise "Exotic Dancer".

e. The Public Affairs Office sent one military correspondent to Camp Drum, New York for two weeks during operation "Alpine Warrior". This resulted in extensive coverage of Marine Aviation portion of the operation.

f. Marine helicopters and personnel delivered food to personnel stranded in WCTI TV's transmitting tower during a severe snow storm. This resulted in more publicity for the Marine Corps and strengthened community relations.


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