Guard Ranks Not Gaining Very Rapidly

Delays in filling the ranks of the National Guard with selective service men will make it necessary to hold the Guard in Federal service for more than a year, many officers here are convinced.

Unless the Guardsmen's period of active duty is extended by at least three or four minths one highly-placed officer asserted today, the task of welding the State troops and trainees into homogeneous fighting teams will be considerably more difficult, and possibly the results will be less satisfactory.

The War Department very likely will ask for legislation authorizing an extension of service for the Guard, it is understood here and in Washington, despite a recent department denial that such a step was being considered. The twenty-ninth Division probably will remain in service for not less than fifteen months, it is believed.

The purpose of such an extension would be to enable the War Department to keep the selective service trainees with the National Guard divisions to which they were assigned for training for the trainees' entire year of military service. Then, barring a national emergency trainees and Guardsmen would be mustered out at the same time.

The training program calls for such Guard units as the Twenty-ninth Division to be brought to full war strength by the assignment of selective service trainees to its ranks. In the case of the Twenty-ninth, this means something like 9,000 conscripts, or approximately as many men as there are now in the division.

These men, in so far as is practicable, will be assigned to Guard units from their own localities. The One Hundred and Seventy-fifth Infantry, which is based in Baltimore normally, will get as many selective service men as possibly from that city. Virginians will be assigned to units from their own State.

The Guardsmen first will have to put the conscripts through the school of the soldier and the same thirteen-week mobilization training program which they themselves are undertaking now. Once the recruits know which end of the rifle is which they will go into the field for advanced training with their units.

The training program for the Twenty-ninth originally called for the receipt of its trainees during the period March 17-31, but there have been delays, and it now appears likely that the entire quota will not be received before the end of April or early in May. Thus the Guardsmen will have been in service for about three months by the time they get their trainees.

This means that the Guardsmen's period of service will be up and they will be sent home about the time the trainees in the division have completed nine months of their year of training, unless the State troops are kept on duty for three additional months.

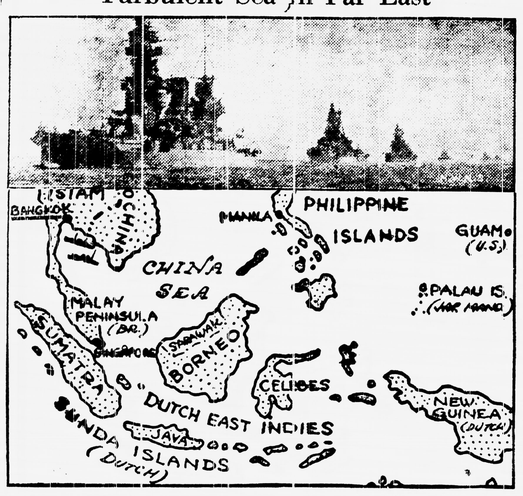
One officer said the confusion would be indescribable if the National Guard half of the division completed its year, packed up and went home, taking all the officers and most of the equipment, while the selective service half remained behind with three more months of service ahead and having to be assigned to other units for that period.

Maj. Gen. Milton A. Reckord, commanding the division, made no comment on the situation today, but is on record as having favored a longer period of service for the Guard than the year authorized by Congress. At the time the Selective Service Act was passed, he advocated calling out the Guard for "not less" than a year.

No one has questioned the ability of the divisoin to give the selective service men the required individual and unit training in the time available, although Gen. George C. Marshall, the chief of staff, some time ago expressed the belief that it took eighteen months to make a soldier out of a raw recruit.

The objection voiced here is that a full year is needed to weld the two groups of soldiers into one compact, efficient combat team.

Turbulent Sea in Far East



Reports that Japanese battleships, like those shown above steaming through waters of the South Pacific, were concentrating near the Dutch East Indies led Britain to mine the sea lanes near her great naval base, Singapore, and have swung the spotlight of war to the Far East. Map shows various points in area where trouble may spread.

1941 CONSERVATION EDUCATIONAL MEETINGS

The 1941 Farm Plans were presented to the Agricultural Conservation Committee members on Tursday, March 6th, at the County Agent's Office in Cambridge.

Very few changes have been as compared to the 1940 farm plans. State Leader J. S. Dyott advised the committee that each farmer should consider the following three points in filling in his 1941 Farm Plan: (1) Intended vegetable acreage, (2) Intended total soil-depleting acreage, and (3) Number of soil-building units required for maximum conservation payments. Mr. Dyott urged one hundred per cent compliance by the farmers, stating that the farmers of Dorchester County had lost ten thousand dollars on last year's program because they had failed to meet the requirements relating to acreage allotments and soil-building practices.

The county and community committeemen arranged the following schedule of community educational meetings, at which time the farmers will be advised of their 1941 acreage allotments and soil-building goal:

Monday, March 17th, Vincent's Store, Linkwood 7:30 p.m.; Tuesday March 18th, Hudson School 7:30 p.m.; Tuesday, March 18th, Church Creek School 7:30 p.m.; Wednesday, March 19th, Taylors Island School 7:30 p.m.; Thursday, March 20th, Ogle Bradford's Store, Crapo 7:30 p.m.; Friday, March 21st, Court House, Cambridge 7:30 p.m.

Individual farm plans will be available for the farms in each of the communities listed above. Mr. Dyott suggested that all farmers be urged to attend their community meeting, carefully check, complete and sign their 1941 farm plans.

Impulse

Where'er a hen lays eggs, with each
She is impelled to make a speech
The selfsame urge stirs human bones
Whenever men lay cornerstones.

Disease Culture Knocks Beetles

A new plague attack on the destructive Japanese beetle killed forty-one per cent., of Beetles in a thirty-five-day test.

Similar experiments have caused as high as sixty to ninety-five per cent. caualties among the grubs—the underground stage in the beetle's life cycle, said Dr. George S. Langford, specialist in insect control at the University of Maryland Extension Service.

The new weapon is a bacterial disase, "milky white," which is fatal to beetle larvae, but harmless to man and animals in general.

In the tests cans of soil containing the grubs were treated with the disease. The disease spores enter the grub's body, turning it milky white.

Dr. Langford said the difference in mortality in the test probably was due to the moisture content of the soil and a variation in the time period.

Last year hundreds of acres of land in the heavily infested beetle areas were treated with the disease made up into a chalky compound that could easily be "planted." The treatments will be continued this year on a larger scale.

Dr. Langford said he planned to report on the experiments made in various counties after the test projects are completed.

Deadline Near For 1941 Tags

If you haven't taken time out to get your 1941 auto tags, don't let holiday activities make you forget that March 31 is the last day.

This, in effect, was the warning issued last night by the Motor Vehicle Commissioner, as the deadline for the familiar plates neared.

After midnight they will be no use to you—except perhaps, as decorations for your garage wall. Your car will have to have the new tags fore and after before you venture abroad behind the wheel.

Although issuing his traditional annual warning with all his usual fervor, The Commissioner admitted he was somewhat cheered by the fact that his department appears well ahead of former years in the issuing of tags.

More and more Marylanders, it appears, are remembering their lesson from year to year and are applying for their tags in time to avoid the inevitable last-minute rush.

The last few days have seen a mild rush at the Commissioner's office, with a line of waiting applicants.

DEFENSE PLANS REDUCE INCOME TAX GRUMBLING

A man stepped up to a federal tax collection window the other day and said, "My return shows I don't have to pay any income tax this year but here's $10 for defense, anyway."

Not all the collectors experience this pleasant shock, but they're grinning this year because the customary grumbling around income tax time has fallen off sharply. In Richmond there was only one squawk in 1,000 return, in spite of the higher tions enacted to help finance the defense program.

Apart from the defense financing changes, the job of filling out an income tax return is pretty much the same as ever. Officials say that for most people it should be as simple as a problem in grade school arithmetic. One reason it seems difficult is because people get rusty on figures. Last year, for example, the treasury made 173,476 refunds for $65,226,738 to persons who over-paid their tax because of their own arithmetical mistakes.

The ordinary return usually dealing with a single salary and a few ordinary deductions, ought'r to take more than 15 minutes—at least that's what the experts say.

This fiscal year, the income tax collectors expect to take in about $3,000,000,000 at least $870,000,000 of it in March. Last year's total was $2,333,880,409. Taxpayers who so wish may divide their payments into four quarterly installments. Last year a man owed five cents, and paid two cents March 15, and one cent every three months after that.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SERVICES

"Substance" will be the subject of the Lesson-Sermon in all Churches of Christ, Scientist, on Sunday, March 16.

The Golden Text will be from Psalms 119:89-9 "For ever, O Lord, thy word is settled in heaven. Thy faithfulness is unto all generations."

Among the citations comprising the Lesson-Sermon will be the following from the Bible: Psalm 125:1 "They that trust in the Lord shall be as mount Zion, which cannot be removed, but abideth forever."

The Lesson-Sermon also will include passages from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures," by Mary Baker Eddy among which is the following, page 430. "Faith should enlarge its borders and strengthen its base by resting upon Spirit instead of matter."

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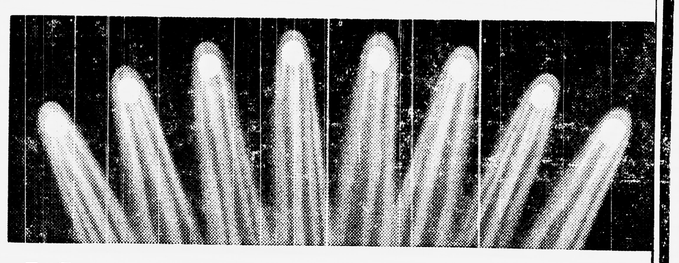
Eight Balls of Fire



and how they can travel!

IF you like fireworks, and who doesn't, it's really too bad you can't see what goes on inside that sparkling big Buick FIREBALL eight that romps you so easily down the broad highway.

There you'd see eight busy cylinders, with pistons flashing up and down...

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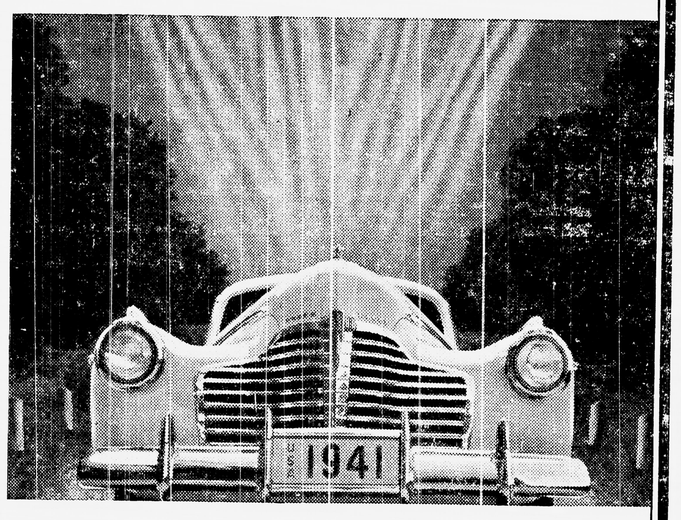

That special, flattened-ball shape of the compressed fuel charge means smoother, better burning, full focus of the power on the piston head, where it counts.

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Here's an aluminum covered cake humidor that will catch your eye. Has an attractively cut glass base and a spun aluminum cover. It will keep cake moist and fresh an unusually long time. Would make an ideal wedding gift or party prize.

Foam-O-Keen Shampoo 59c

FOAM-O-KLEEN is a new, revolutionary shampoo for rugs and upholstery. Recently introduced, it's going over with a bang here at PHILLIPS HARDWARE. You'll want a big quart can surely when you see how it "perks up" the appearance of rugs and upholstery.

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