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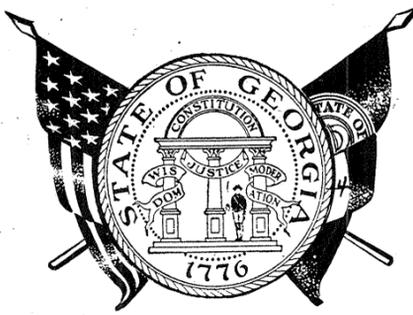
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District Commanders Meet In Macon

The District Commanders from over the State gathered in Macon Sunday, Nov. 14 to meet the new Commander, Col. Collins. In a meeting that lasted only two hours. The feeling of pride, the desire to do, and the old spirit of our guard was rejuvenated. Col Collins went straight to the point and explained clearly what he expected of the guards and what its mission would be. In short, it's going to be a Military Organization, and you will be proud to be a member.

The new table of organization with 20 Battalions instead of 27 Districts, was secured without one dissenting vote. There will be no demotions, but some promotions. The new Battalion set up changes some places, putting them under a different command. The District C.O.'s liked this, as it makes every Battalion Area more accessible.

Col. Collins asked that the Guard go after men and to particularly work hard on the 16-17 year old boys that may enter the Army, and to try and get the business men of your community in the guard. Preparedness and training was stressed over and over by the new Commander. If we should be called out, let's be prepared and trained. But naturally we hope it will never be necessary for the guard to be mobilized, stated the Colonel.

"Time's A Wasting" Col. Wood Attends Macon Meeting

One of the many bright spots of the District Commander's meeting at Macon was the presence and talk by Lt. Col. R. H. Wood, District 4, Ft. Benning. "I'm glad the guard has let the Army come back," met hearty approval, and it was easy to see it did. Lt. Col. Wood stated there was a greater need today for the guard than eight months ago. The services of District 4 were offered Col. Collins. So now that this organization is again with us, and will again help us, we should start making upward progress.

"In God We Trust"

A Message from the Chief of Chaplains
By MAJOR LOUIE D. NEWTON

"What else can I do to help win the war?"

This question was asked me recently by a member of the Guard.

I asked my friend if he had made a donation of blood to the Red Cross for the plasma service to wounded men on foreign battle fields.

"No, I haven't," he replied, "and I have been thinking about it, and wishing that I might do so, but I live in a distant community from the Blood Donation Center in Atlanta, and I don't know when I

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THOMAS JEFFERSON



COLONEL R. W. COLLINS

Lt. Col. Wood Recommends Col. Collins

ARMY SERVICE FORCES
District No. 4, Fourth Service Command
Fort Benning, Georgia

22 November 1943

TO: The Members of the Georgia State Guard.

This is my first opportunity as Commanding Officer of District No. 4, Fourth Service Command, to congratulate the Georgia State Guard on obtaining the services of such an eminent and capable soldier as Colonel Robert W. Collins, R.A. (retired) for their Commanding Officer. Colonel Collins brings with him a high reputation as a brilliant soldier with over forty years service in the United States Army. He is a graduate of the Army War College, General Staff School, School of the Line and the Coast Artillery School. His assignments to the National Guard Bureau and to the National Guard as Instructor gave him an insight into the capabilities and limitations of the role of the National Guard in Peace Time and now of the State Guard in Time of War.

I also want to congratulate Colonel Collins on becoming a member of one of the outstanding State Guards of the country—the Georgia State Guard. It is going to be a distinct pleasure and privilege for me and my District Officers to work with Colonel Collins and the Officers and men of the State Guard of Georgia.

The Nation, State and the United States Army have a greater need for the services of the State Guard now than ever before, for reasons easily understood, and I want to reiterate what at this time we consider the principal missions of the State Guard in regards to the U. S. Army as:

(1) In the event of invasion, airborne attack, fifth column activities or disaster, of war or nature, the State Guard in conjunction with other Federal and State Agencies would assume the responsibility for the protection and safety of the citizens, their business and homes, throughout the State, thus releasing many men for service in the Armed Forces that otherwise would be required for this duty.

(2) Security Missions as determined by the State authorities.

I want to thank the Georgia State Guard for their excellent cooperation during the past two years and I know from experience that your cooperation in the future will be just as alive as ever. District No. 4 stands ready to cooperate with you at any time. Our missions interlock.

REGINALD H. WOOD,
Lt. Col., Infantry,
Commanding.

To All Members of The Guard, Greeting:

I take advantage of this opportunity to express to each and every one of you my appreciation of the enthusiastic, unselfish, patriotic service you are voluntarily rendering our State and Nation. You are living, alert examples of the best type of citizens, those who recognize the obligations of citizenship, and are willing to make the necessary sacrifices that all may enjoy the privileges of citizenship.

Our mission is a very important one. It demands that we be prepared to render efficient service at any time to meet any situation that cannot be handled by the civil authorities, though we hope that our State will not be disturbed by enemy raiding troops (parachute or other force), Fifth Columnists, disorders or disasters.

To be adequately prepared requires the cooperation of each member in perfecting the teams by qualifying for the duties of his grade, and the duties of the next higher grade.

It is an honor, and a pleasure to serve as your Commander. Let's all do our best to make our Guard the BEST STATE GUARD IN THE NATION.

R. W. COLLINS
Col. Georgia State Guard
Commanding

Col. Collins A Real Military Man

A retired Army Officer with 44 years military experience now heads the Georgia State Guard and a real military brand of discipline is expected to develop as a result.

Col. Collins was commanding officer of the army specialized training unit at Georgia Tech. He left his post at the college on Nov. 1.

Col. Collins issued a statement in which he said the Guard will be developed into a strong military organization with closer relations with the army of the United States. "We expect the full cooperation," he said, "of all battalion commanders, unit commanders, and officers and men in developing the Guard into an efficient military organization."

All communication from officers in the Guard shall be addressed through proper military channels. Communications from the Commander-in-Chief, Governor Arnall, to the Commanding Officer of the Guard, Col. Collins, shall be forwarded through the Adjutant General of Georgia, Brigadier General Clark Howell.

THE GEORGIA GUARDSMAN IS YOUR PAPER THE NEWS AND PICTURES YOU SEND IN MAKE THE PAPER. DID YOU GET YOURS IN FOR THIS ISSUE?

State Guard Training Helpful

How long before you will be inducted into the Regular Army of the United States? What do you know about military drill and the science of tactics?

The Georgia State Guard affords an opportunity to men between the ages of 16 and 50 to receive their basic training in advance to entering the Army. This includes close order drill, manual of arms, extended order drill, use of gas mask, rifle marksmanship (also Thompson sub-machine gun practice), etc.

For example, here is a practical example how the Georgia State Guard can help you. One of our Unit 131's Sergeants, Jas. H. Farrell, enlisted in the United States Navy. After two weeks, he was placed in command of fifty ("boots") men. When asked how he succeeded in advancing so rapidly, he said that he owed it all to his intensive training in the Georgia State Guard.

Here is another example: Ray Lamb, former Private in Unit No. 131, entered the U. S. Army a few months ago. He wrote Captain Wm. G. Studer, Commanding Officer, Georgia State Guard, Catoosa County, that his progress in the Army was the direct result of his State Guard training.

Unit 131 will accept fifteen (15) enlistments during the month of November. When this quota is filled no further enlistments will be accepted until after January 1, 1944. If interested in enlistment, see: Capt. Wm. G. Studer or First Lieutenant Lester C. Nehring in Ringgold, Ga., and Sgt. E. G. Williams, Lakeview High School, Lakeview, Ga.

Guardsmen are required to report for drill once a week—either at the Courthouse, Ringgold, Ga., or Lakewood High School, Lakeview, Ga. The men meet on Wednesday at 8 P. M. at Ringgold and at 7:30 P. M. on Thursday at Lake-



FIRST AID being administered by Major Jennings, Medical Officer, Augusta Unit.

view High School. All Guardsmen must adhere to the rigid Articles of War and other forms of Military Courtesy and Discipline. Enlistment is for the duration of the war. No Guardsmen will be required to leave the State of Georgia. Membership in the Guard does not exempt from service in the Armed forces if called by the Selective Service Board.

Former Commander Asks Guard To Support Colonel Collins

Georgia State Guard heard a plea from their former commander, Colonel Lindley Camp, to give their "wholehearted, patriotic and loyal support" to the present commanding officer, Colonel R. W. Collins, and predicted that a new peak in efficiency would be reached under his successor's leadership.

Colonel Camp's plea was delivered at a dinner at which he was presented a beautiful silver service set as a tribute to his leadership of the guard from April 15, 1941, until January 9, 1943—a period during which the organization was acknowledged by regular Army officers as "second to none in the U. S."

Presentation of the set was by Major Scott Candler, of Decatur, in "behalf of the rank and file of the guard as a token of our love and respect."

Praise Camp's Contributions
High praise of Colonel Camp's achievement and utmost faith in Colonel Collins' ability to lead the guard to new efficiency was voiced by 16 district leaders present out of the 27 such officers in the state.

Pointing out that the district leaders were actually first appointed by the Rivers administration, and denying that appointments under his leadership were "other than through proper channels and on military merit," Colonel Camp asked that politics be forgotten, and that all join again in working for the best interest of a re-born guard that will take its place again at the top of such organizations in the nation.

"You have a man of character,

integrity and ability in Colonel Collins," he said. "I only hope that you will carry back to every district in the state my hope that every man and officer in the guard will work with him with the same high patriotism and the same degree of enthusiasm with which they worked with me.

"And I will watch with pride your success, and I know Georgia again, under his leadership, will rank second to none."

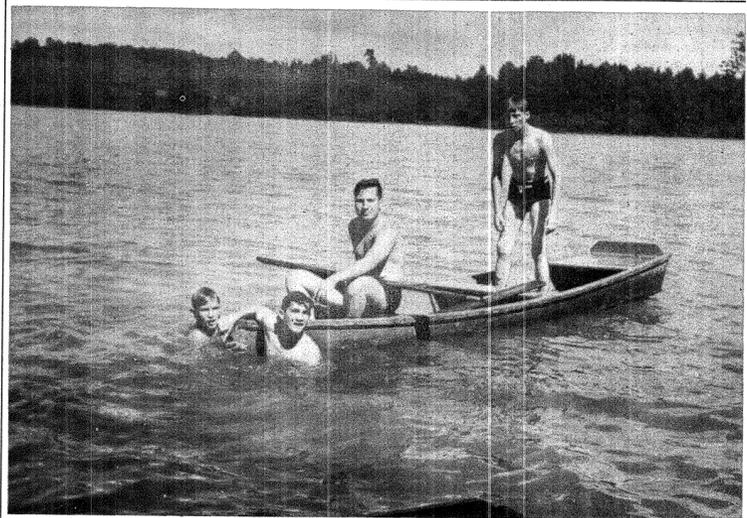
Colonel Camp, who once also was adjutant general of the state, is now solicitor general of the Criminal Court of Fulton County.

Collins Is Arnall Appointee

Colonel Collins recently was named commander of the guard by Governor Arnall after a plan to reorganize the districts and demote numerous district leaders brought about such dissension the Governor called a mass meeting at which to air grievances. Following the meeting, the Governor placed Colonel Hoyt Wimpy, of Thomasville, former commander, and his staff upon the detached officer list.

Lieut. Colonel Pinkney Welchel, of Gainesville, former executive officer, commended both former and present commanders and announced he was tendering his resignation but could be called upon to serve in any capacity from private up when occasion arose.

Lieut. Colonel R. H. Wood, commanding District 4 for the Fourth Service Command, praised Colonel Camp's leadership of the Guard and predicted further advancement under Colonel Collins.



JUST A LITTLE SWIM AFTER A HARD DAY'S WORK. Pvt. McCready, Sig. Dist. No. 5; Corp. Tom Weaver, Dist. No. 1; Pvt. Lester Avery and Corp. Tyrus Johnson, of the Wrens Unit.

State Guard Units Stage Night Hike

Macon state guardsmen, numbering approximately 200, shouldered full packs recently and staged an approximate five mile hike over dirt roads and through residential sections back of Lanier High School.

Under command of Capt. Bill Taylor, Company A, comprising three battalions and a headquarters company, the men assembled at the high school and after forming on the drill ground back of the school started out on the night trek.

Capt. Roland B. Scott, brother of Capt. Bob Scott, addressed the group in the school before the hike began. He expressed pleasure at being present and said he was glad to see men behind the line "expressing a great deal of interest in military affairs at home."

The route was up Clisby place after having been wounded in action overseas.

The headquarters company under command of Capt. Jimmy Walton, comprising about 20 men, was used as an advanced guard and security detachment. The other battalions formed a line of march at 100 yard intervals to the rear with the commanding group marching directly behind the advanced group.

Lt. Bob Taylor was in command of the first platoon, while Lt. E. H. Floyd and Lt. G. E. Miller, commanded the second and third platoons respectively.

A five minute break was called by Capt. Taylor at the half way mark and a double blast on a whistle was the command to resume the hike.

The route was up Clisby place

to Roff Home avenue, up Roff Home avenue to Bellevue road, then up Hill Crest road to Bartlett's crossing and back to the high school down Napier avenue. A ten minute break was called at Bartlett's crossing, the units ordered to fall out and soft drinks and sandwiches were bought at stores there.

The men on the march out were grimly silent, while on the way back snatches of songs were heard and jokes were exchanged. A double time march, called by Capt. Taylor on Napier avenue a short distance from the school, nearly winded some of the older members on the outfit.

First Lt. Wallace Miller was second in command of the march and First Sgt. John Howard was "top kick."

IN MEMORIAM—In the next issue of the Guardsman honor will be paid to former guardsmen that have paid the supreme price. Please send in all casualties from your platoon and battalion. Give rank, name, address and G. S. G. rank and platoon number.

Dodge County Units Change Tactics in Government Inspection

It is seldom Units of the Georgia State Guard change the order of procedure on a Government inspecting Officer, but that is just what happened with the two units 114 and 287 in Eastman, Dodge County, when Major Holt arrived for the regular inspection recently.

The Major readily agreed to the new procedure, and immediately following routine inspection, asking a few questions, he turned the balance of the night over to Unit Commanders E. T. Methvin, of 114, and L. M. Woodward, Jr., of 287, who stated "We wanted to show Major Holt what we knew and could do rather than have him ask for it. An actual illustration is always best, we believe."

Each Unit had mapped out a program for the visiting officer, and 114 started with the show at the Legion Fairgrounds just above the city:

Exhibiting intricate maneuvers in close order drill which is seldom seen outside a regular army camp, 114's men moved with clock-like precision; that being followed with exhibitions of the squad wedge, platoon wedge and right and left diagonals.

The Major said: "That is an excellent Unit."

But he had not seen anything yet, the men said, and as if that was their cue, an enemy tank, made of cardboard and a perfect resemblance, was outlined by car lights at one end of the field. A squad of men equipped with Molotov cocktails advanced on the tank, firing blanks as they grew nearer, and suddenly at close range, the

men's cocktails flared from lighted matches and flames streaked through the air toward the enemy tank. With a splash they landed and the entire tank burst into flames.

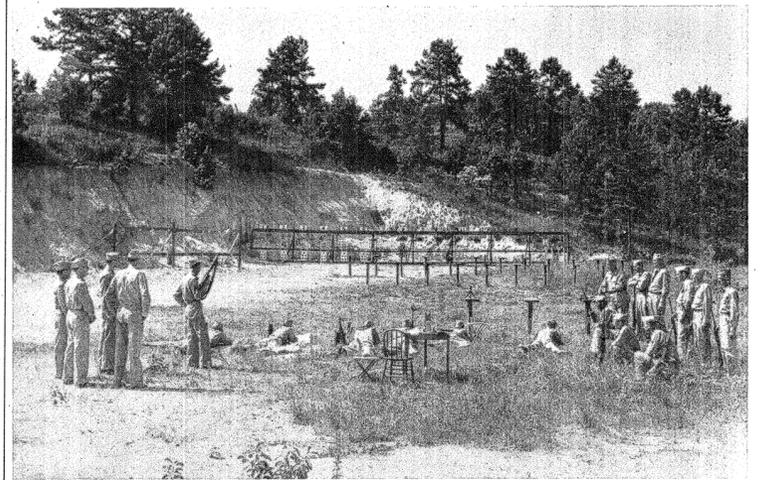
That was not all, for the car lights were changed and thrown against another tank, a smaller one. It was seen to move slowly across the field toward an objective. As it reached a certain spot a terrific explosion was heard and the tank was seen to leap into the air about fifty feet, debris floated gradually to the ground and the tank was demolished. The explosion was caused by a "mine" buried in the ground.

That concluded the program for 114, and at that point 287 took over.

Unit 287 previously had laid down a perfect grenade court, and with dummy grenades showed the inspecting officer their adeptness at handling and throwing these deadly missiles. One bulls-eye after another was scored, as Lieutenant Kirby Freeman, second in command of that unit, issued instructions to approximately a dozen men "on the line."

Immediately following was another exhibition of almost perfect coordination among the men as they, also, proved their command of drilling knowledge. Movements were perfect and the Unit looked as good as any you will find in the regular army.

Inspected by Lt. Col. Mendenhall, of Ft. Benning, in 1942, a similar program was staged by the Eastman and Dodge County Units,



M. P. COMPANY "A" is shown on the outdoor range of the Gainesville Rifle and Pistol Club engaged in a Marksmanship match shoot. Most of the men of this Unit have completed rifle and pistol marksmanship classes. The participants are: on the firing line—Welchel, Ledford, Wright, Sheridan, Porter, Strickland. Others—Lieut. Prosser, Capt. Thurmond, Capt. Telford (C. O. Co. A. M. P.), Major Kleckley (C. O. Dist. 3), Sgt. Ledford, Cpl. Cole, Sgt. Hicks, Allison, Pruitt, Cpl. Judson, Hartley, Garrett, Croy.

and these units were among the very few in the entire state given a "Superior Rating" by the Federal Government. A duplication of that rating was sought by the units this year and according to the best information available their hopes have been fulfilled.

Dodge is one of the few counties its size to maintain two units. County Commander is Captain Will Ed Smith, prominent Eastman attorney, who reached his present position after having come up through the ranks, recently succeeding Captain J. H. Gordon, resigned. Lieutenants Methvin and

Woodward also rose from the ranks, as did Lieutenants C. L. Saunders, of 114, and Freeman, of 287.

Lt. Saunders has just recently been placed in command of Unit 287 to succeed Lt. Woodward, who resigned.

The Eastman Units regularly conduct their own camps and outings and do not wait for assignments from headquarters. They recently completed a four-day encampment at Jay Bird Springs, 15 miles from Eastman, where they underwent a vigorous training program, all-night guard duty, and

a day hike of several miles. Strict military discipline was maintained throughout the four days and the camp was considered a huge success. During this time, the units were visited by District Commander, Major Marshall Chapman, of Dublin, who inspected the units.

Just a few months ago these units enjoyed several days at the St. Mary's River, and a short while later spent a full afternoon at Little Ocmulgee Park, near McRae, where they prepared their meals and had as guests Major Chapman and other officers from Dublin headquarters.

JUDO...

What is Judo? This question is asked Corporal G. W. Brownlee, Judo trainer belonging to Unit No. 79, often. Brownlee explains: "The origin of Judo, an efficient stage of Jiu-Jitsu, is not definitely known; however, it is believed it was started about 300 years ago in China and later adopted and developed by the Japanese. Never-the-less there is nothing mysterious about Judo as often believed; and when the fundamental principles of Judo are instilled in the student, many situations can be handled without definite holds or tricks.

There are several principles, one of these is to use your opponent's strength and weight to your advantage or to his downfall. In other words give way to his efforts in some positions and maneuver him into a trap or spill—help him along to defeat! This principle is the main reason Jiu-Jitsu is sometimes called the "Gentle Art." Leverage and balance also play a very, very large part in the "Art." (Fulcrum principle used extensively in holds in coordination with balance.) Judo also embraces dirty tricks, kicking, punching, eye gorging, kneeing, hitting with side of hand and base of hand, working on nerve centers, choking, using the opponent's clothes, etc., or what you have at hand.

As an illustration, using some of the main principles of Judo are used in this simple trick that you could have used when you were a boy at school brings them out. Your very much larger bully friend charged you, and instead of running you squatted low. And when your opponent's legs contacted your body, immediately you rose upward, spilling your friend some several feet away in a disgraceful and dangerous manner. The principles of Judo were used in this trick.

Surprise or feinting was used to take the opponent un-

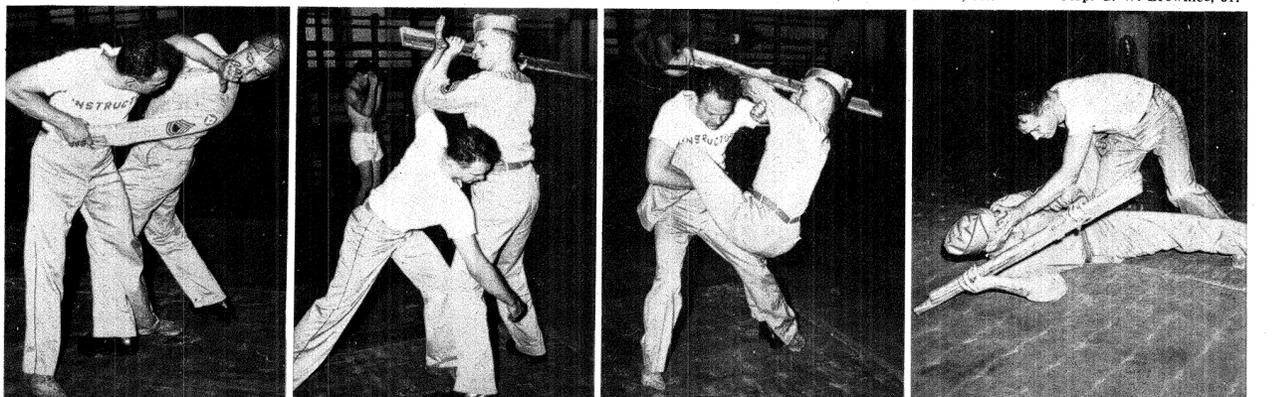
aware, lessening his resistance to a minimum when you stooped. Upon rising by leverage your opponent was thrown completely off balance and into the air. Requiring a minimum of strength used on your part. Next his weight and strength carried by his own momentum caused him to crash over you and into the ground. Naturally the harder your opponent is smashed to the ground the easier he is disposed of. In other words, ground him as soon as possible. Then if he isn't finished, finish him off with devastating blows to be described later in this series.

It is true that Judo as it is being taught now is contrary to our sporting principles, but we are at war now and our minds and bodies must be trained to kill or be killed. So we must adopt our enemies' Judo practices and principles at least in individual warfare, although we despise the Jap's principle of warfare built along the Judo line. However, we must admit they are clever and ruthless, and to counteract we must train our minds along the oriental Jap's line of brutal, unmolesated, cunning, scientific, unabated murder of the individual soldier and return this training back with American interest. In my wrestling and fighting career Judo is regarded by me as the tops in quickly destroying an enemy in hand to hand combat. So I will endeavor through this column to bring to the State Guard soldier various oriental holds and tactics supported with our own methods of destroying the enemy.

To start the series, one of the first fundamental methods I teach in Judo is the trip (sometimes called the outside trip or cross buttock). First you rush at your opponent as though you were going to meet him straight on (he might have a gun to smash you). Before contact you side step him to the right, grasping his left arm with your right and pull downwards, at the same time give the opponent a shove or blow with the left hand

(palm open) under his chin. Of course when you side stepped him your left leg found itself behind his left leg. So when you pulled him by his arm he was brought off balance over your leg, and the open handed blow under his chin caused his feet to fly up driving his head backwards and into the ground, breaking his neck, etc. (Sometimes opponent's head is driven straight down causing the opponent to break his leg as per illustration.) This trip can be taught and used from either side. It is a fundamental maneuver, but very effective and easily taught and of course instead of the blow under the chin, just push lightly under the opponent's chin and pull lightly on his sleeve or arm, with your leg behind that of your partner. You will see that a slight motion on the two parts levered will bring your opponent tripping over your leg. Practice this maneuver often as you will find later that other holds are based upon these fundamental leverages.

Another very effective Judo maneuver is the inside trip. It is very effective against an opponent attacking with his fists, or smashing with the butt of a gun or chair, etc. First, as your head is being lowered into the midsection of your opponent, raise your left arm above your head, deflecting the blow from the butt of the gun or chair, fists, etc. (with a sweeping upward movement). Immediately reach down with your right hand, encircle your opponent's left leg (which in most cases is protruding) with your arm (elbow back of his knee). Raise his leg to outside as high as possible, which will pull him off balance. Next, step in with your left leg behind his remaining leg and lean over. He will fall, thereby leaving your right leg in position to crush his groins. (Sometimes in falling your other leg will be nearest his groins. Of course use immediately.) Naturally follow through with other blows to be sure your opponent is out for good. If he used a gun or chair, recover it immediately and bash his head in, etc. Corp. G. W. Brownlee, Jr.





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1—Watch out, Hitler and Tojo. Second Platoon, Company B, in hand grenade practice.

2—Lt. Noles giving his men a rest.

3—Coming out of gas chamber.

4—First Platoon, Company A, on the double.

5—We can't tell what Lt. Allen is having his men dig up.

6—Capt. Wilcox of the La-Grange unit, inspecting Pvts. Pittenger, Davis and England on the rifle range.

7 "Come and get it." Bugler Atterbury calling the men to mess.

8—The Major must have caught the boys. What do you think?

9—Time out for a little recreation.

10—Guardsmen waiting their turn for guard duty.

11—First Platoon, Company B, on the march.

12—Trooper H. A. McElroy, of the State Highway Patrol, fingerprinting Georgia Guardsmen.



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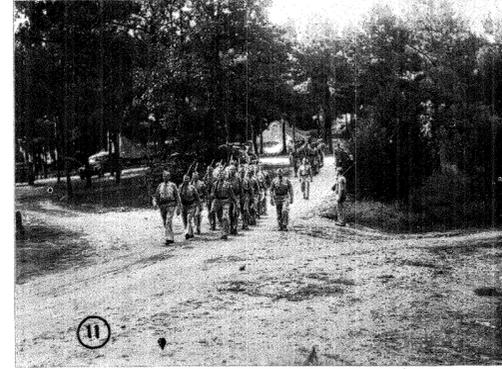
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Ben Hill Unit Gets New Quarters

Through the generosity of Martin Theatres the local State Guard is now housed in one of the finest headquarters of any in the state, according to Captain J. E. Mathis, who has just completed moving.

The large room which was originally designed for a roof garden over the front of the Grand Theatre Building, was later enclosed and with the purpose of making it a gathering place for the younger folks. Both of these projects ended in failure for apparent lack of interest, and for the past several months has not been in use.

When approached for the use of the rooms, Mr. Roy Martin, president of the theatres, readily agreed that it might be used for the headquarters of the State Guard, without expense, and today the State Guard here has already moved in and taken over.

The equipment as it is given out to the several guardsmen, is usually kept at the home of the guardsman, so that it can be easily and quickly gotten together by the individual on drill nights and when on call, but there is still a great deal of equipment that is not in service and which has to be stored.

They have their winter outfits, and keep at all times a surplus of equipment in case of loss or damage, so that a large store room must be had, as well as the assembly room.

In this new headquarters, they have every needed convenience, and the acquisition of this new headquarters will be a great incentive to the new recruits which they are expecting to secure within the next few weeks.

Promotions

J. B. Dorsey, Captain of the Rochelle and Abbeville units, Georgia State Guard, has announced the following promotions in the Rochelle unit.

J. R. Peavy and Lester Harvey, military policemen; Gordon Ball, corporal; Jim Tom Cross, J. D. Wallace, Thomas Clark, and Lawrence Clark, private first class.

Maxwell Lasseter, corporal clerk was named reporter for the Rochelle and Abbeville units.

The local units drill each Tuesday night.

First Aid Class

Members of the Rochelle Unit No. 101A, Georgia State Guard, have enrolled for the prescribed course in First Aid. A portion of their training schedule each week will be devoted to that study.

Mr. V. L. Harris, local physician, is instructor.

Macon Guard Unit Hears Gen. Emery

Brig. Gen. A. R. Emery addressed members of Macon's State Guard unit recently on military courtesy and discipline, giving the civilian soldiers an explanation of the background of military customs and the reasons they are still observed.

Courtesy in the Army is "just plain politeness," General Emery told the men. Rules of discipline are also patterned along logical lines, and are based on reasonable obedience to proper authority, he explained.

The guardsmen were told that during their meetings, discipline should be strictly observed by their units as by any other military organization, and that military courtesy should also be followed.

Pvt. Orville Parks, former National Guardsman who returned recently from the North African

Unit 136 Receives High Praise

Ppl. Frank Hall, Reporter

Captain James L. Johnson has received a report on the Federal Inspection of our unit, held at the High School Gymnasium on July 9th. Lt. Col. Blatt, of the U. S. Cavalry, Fort Benning, Ga., was the Inspecting Officer, and Major Clarence C. Hill, Commander of the Ninth District; Capt. Mann, District Adjutant, and Lt. Wilson, all of Dalton, were also present for the inspection. Our total enrollment is 54, and 43 members were present for the inspection.

Capt. Johnson has recently received the following commendations on our inspection from officers of the Army, State Guard and National Guard.

First

"It is gratifying to note the degree of proficiency attained by Unit No. 136, Georgia State Guard.

"It is my pleasure to commend the officers and enlisted men of this unit for the leadership, enthusiasm, and attention to duty that has made this possible.

"Wm. Bryden, Major General, "U. S. Army, Commanding."

Second

"Headquarters, Georgia State Guard, is gratified to indorse proficiency report on Unit No. 136 Federal Inspection. Officers and enlisted men are to be commended.

"By Order of Colonel Wimpey:

"Lewis F. Pagel, Major, "Georgia State Guard, Adjutant."

Third

"The whole Ninth District is proud of this report and this commendation from Higher Headquarters. There was very few in the State that had a "SUPERIOR" Rating. Please accept my gratitude, to you, and through you to all officers and men of Unit 136.

"Clarence C. Hill, Major, "Georgia State Guard, "Commander Ninth District."

Fourth

"This unit ranks with the best. Its appearance, results of training, and leadership are superior.

"I take this opportunity to commend the officers and enlisted personnel of Unit No. 136 on attaining such a high degree of efficiency in the administration and training of their organization."

"John F. Williams, Major General, "Chief, National Guard Bureau."

As you notice, in Major Hill's report, we were given a "SUPERIOR" Rating. We all feel justly proud of this high rating, and are going to expend our best efforts in order to remain one of the best units in the state.

Fellow Guardsmen, we made an excellent showing at this inspection, especially in the number of members present. If we can turn out for an inspection, then we should all attend regularly in order to maintain our high degree of proficiency and be well prepared for any future inspections.

front, also addressed the Macon Guard, expressing his surprise when he got back to this country and discovered that civilians here believe the war is just about over. Pvt. Parks said that on the front, it looks like our troops still have "a lot of work to do—and work that civilians can help them with."

Following the speakers, who were introduced by Major Roland Neel, the guardsmen were shown three training films and drilled for an hour.

The meeting was held at Lanier High for Boys, with Capt. Bill Taylor in command of the Rifles company and Capt. Jimmy Walton as leader of the Headquarters unit.



CAN YOU FIND THE GUARDSMAN? He seems to be well concealed in his fox hole.

Mock Battle in Defense of City

17th Battalion, Georgia State Guard, Maj. George A. Rice commanding, held field maneuvers in an area southeast of Savannah recently in which simulation of a defense of the Savannah area and its vital installations marked the first time units of the State Guard has gone into full field regalia for a mock battle.

Plans called for a defensive position in a maneuver area designated for the battle whereby State Guard troops endeavored to protect a vital installation which was being attacked by enemy troops of undetermined strength. The following was the situation under the problem to be worked out:

The enemy troops landed by both plane and transport and was composed of demolition squadrons. Information of landings of such enemy troops had been meager, therefore strength of such troops was undetermined, which left the State Guard in the position of having to send out strong outpost detachments to make contact with the enemy and report information to headquarters.

All units in District No. 22 assembled at the Armory in Park Extension, prepared to move out not later than 8:30 by road march to the maneuver area. During the road march troops got practice in covering from air attack when patrols from the C. A. P. simulated such attacks. A body of troops on march must scatter and seek cover promptly as reports of air attacks are given. Savannahians, who were along the route of march, witnessed the sudden scattering of troops from their well formed march formation.

At the end of the road march, a battalion headquarters command post was established by the district commander and his staff, with tactical units going into fighting position. Troops were armed with blank ammunition and actually fired their arms during the problem. Umpires had been appointed and were on hand to determine the course of the battle and to make decisions during the battle.

The maneuver was of tactical nature and consumed the greater portion of the day. Troops returned to the armory via motor transport around 5 o'clock in the afternoon.

Communications and supplies were handled by the Headquarters and Signal Unit, which had made arrangements for field rations.

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will ever have an opportunity to make a donation."

I told him about the Mobile Units that go out daily from Atlanta to every section of the State to receive donations. He asked me to get in touch with the authorities in Atlanta, and let him know when they would be sending one of their units into his county.

I called the office when I got back to Atlanta, and I was delighted to find that they were sending a Mobile Unit into that Guardsman's county the very next week. He has since written me that he made a donation, and that a dozen other men in his unit made donations.

I am an enthusiast on this subject of the Red Cross Blood Donor Service. I have given my own blood up to the limit of the doctor's permission, and I am very grateful to think that these pints of my blood may save some soldier's life in Italy or in some one of the Pacific war zones.

Letters have come back from Commanding Officers throughout the war areas, telling of the miracles that have been wrought with blood plasma. The percentage of deaths at Pearl Harbor among wounded men was amazingly low. By the use of the sulfa drugs and blood plasma, the doctors and surgeons have been able to save thousands of lives that otherwise would have been lost.

Many men are today in active combat duty who were wounded in earlier battles of this war because someone back at home gave his or her blood in time.

Note the phrase, "in time." It requires time to process this blood into plasma, and transmit it to foreign battlefields. The Red Cross is doing a grand job, but we must give the Red Cross our blood "in time" if they are to get it to the wounded men.

This story emphasizes what I am talking about:

A young woman in Atlanta went to the Blood Donation Center, 291 Peachtree Street, N.E., and said that she would like to talk about giving a pint of blood. The attendant explained what she could do, and offered her an engagement. She went away, and forgot it.

A few weeks later, her father received a message from the War Department that her brother had died from wounds received in the Battle of Midway. She rushed up to the Red Cross, and asked to give a pint of blood that day, but always that young woman will be

State Guard Is Seeking Recruits

Calling for volunteers to fill vacancies in the Georgia State Guard, Capt. George F. Hoffman, Chatham county commissioner, outlined the advantages of membership recently for men expecting to enter the armed forces. While asking for more men to fill the State Guard ranks, he called attention to the fact that "a person does not subject himself to any earlier induction into federal service because of his participation in the guard."

"Officers," he said, "often stress the importance of securing military training prior to going into any of the regular armed services. The organization was formed to take the place of the National Guard during the present war and while the regular National Guard is in federal service.

"Men who have been inducted into the armed forces found their State Guard training was of great help in preparing them for their federal service and in many cases has resulted in waiving of basic training and has led to a more rapid promotion." Captain Hoffman stated.

The local guard units here have given help to the regular army in many instances, it was explained. Yet all these duties have been temporary and in no case did they interfere with the commercial activities of guard members. Prospective members of the guard should report to the State Guard Armory on Monday evenings at 8 o'clock, Captain Hoffman instructed.

The following men enlisted in the guard during the month of September:

Unit No. 150, R. O. Giddens, J. D. Dossey, W. P. Treanor, W. B. Wallace and W. H. Wallace.

Unit No. 151, F. E. Beck, J. T. Long, J. R. Jarvis, W. H. Mook, E. D. Levy, R. Morgan, I. J. Odum, and C. C. Barnard.

Unit 152, H. O. Grimes, S. L. Fleetwood, Jr., LeRoy Fleetwood, L. B. Patterson, Jr., B. P. McClellan, Jr., and Dempsey Parrish.

confronted by the possibility that if she had given her blood "in time," she might have saved the life of her brother.

May I suggest that you write the Red Cross Blood Center, 291 Peachtree Street, N.E., Atlanta, and ask when a Mobile Unit will visit your county? And when you do have the opportunity to give your blood, do it "in time."

Berrien County Unit Number 51 Held Maneuvers October 10th

Berrien County Unit No. 51 of the Georgia State Guard spent Sunday, October 10, on the Alapaha River in an extended maneuver.

Members of the unit assigned to kitchen police left Nashville at around 4:30 o'clock Sunday morning, the remainder of the unit following by bus at 7:30 o'clock. When the bus arrived at the designated spot a steaming hot breakfast of bacon, eggs and coffee was waiting for them. Breakfast was served in true army fashion, each man carrying in addition to his gun the regular army half-pack, consisting of mess kit, rain cape, knife, fork, spoon, cartridge belt and canteen. Immediately following breakfast a fifteen minute religious service was held followed by policing up camp and inspection.

The unit was then divided into three squads for target practice, one squad being assigned to the

shotguns, one to the machine guns and one to the rifles. As each squad finished one type gun they were immediately assigned to the next type. Records were kept of each man's score on each gun and small prizes were given high man in each class.

Following target practice, which lasted about four hours, the unit was marched back to camp for dinner, consisting of fried chicken, chicken and rice, coffee, peaches and cake. After this very enjoyable meal an hour rest period was taken during which the members listened to the World Series ball game over a portable field radio.

After this, a short period of close order drill was gone through, with pictures being taken of the unit in action, to be sent in to the State Guardsman, official newspaper of the Georgia State Guard. At five o'clock camp was struck and the unit returned to town.



ON THE RIFLE RANGE—Sgt. Ogletree takes careful aim on his target.

Unit 192 Holds Encampment

The first week-end encampment in several months for Unit 192 was held October 23-24 at Camp Clifford Smith, near LaGrange.

Camp officially opened at 1800 with preparation of barracks and mess, and formation of guard mount for the camp.

After supper the men enjoyed a recreation period until taps.

The schedule for the following day began with 15 minutes of calisthenics in the frosty morning air at 0615, followed by mess at 0700. The Unit was divided into two groups who alternated during the morning in "dry shooting," including the sighting bar and triangulation, after which the entire Unit joined in a field problem in which the defenders were successful.

The afternoon was devoted to target practice both with small caliber and shotguns. The Unit made a very creditable showing at target practice considering the limited instruction they had had.

Lt. A. W. Gunn was in charge, ably assisted by Supply Sgt. Leonard and Pvt. Frost, chef, who obtained valuable experience in menu planning and preparation of meals.

The Camp closed with inspection at 1700 and with plans to stage a return engagement soon.

Moultrie Guard Units Inspected

Captains Harvey A. Chastain and J. J. Gainey, of the 11th District headquarters staff of the Georgia State Guard, informally inspected the Moultrie units of the Guard recently and praised both their training and determination to provide the state with a protective organization.

Capt. Chastain is training and operations officer for the District and Capt. Gainey is the district intelligence officer.

Capt. Chastain told the units that "despite the unfavorable publicity which the Guard received recently it apparently is now on a sounder basis than ever before." He praised the men highly for "continuing to train yourselves for any emergency, although you have more work and longer hours in your private businesses than ever before. None of us gets money for doing this job, but we can have the satisfaction of knowing that we are providing the only internal military protection at the governor's disposal. You are serving as guardians of life and property in Georgia while the National Guard is in service."

Unit No. 140 Entertains Wives and Sweethearts

Members of Unit No. 140, with their wives, sweethearts, or individual wanted to bring, fell in for a barbecue on Monday evening, October 18, at the recreation building of the Goodyear Mills.

Arrangements for the get-together had been made far in advance and funds were raised by two square dances at the armory, sponsored by the unit. Everybody reported having all the barbecue they could eat—and practically every member of the unit was on hand—with the lady of his choice. Even though there was plenty to go around several times, some of the members started looking for leftovers to take home with them, only to find everything had been eaten.

Colonel Wood Speaks To Cedartown Unit

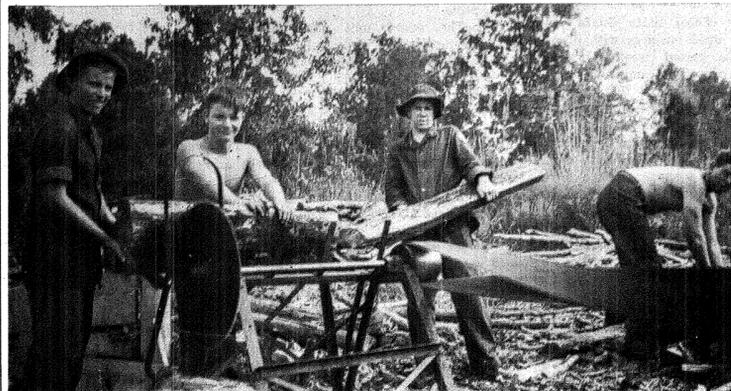
Unit No. 140, Cedartown, attended the meeting of the Civilian Defense units on October 11, at which Col. Wood was the principal speaker. After the meeting at the city hall the unit reassembled in the armory, where Col. Wood made a special talk to the officers and men. Col. Wood is inspecting officer for Georgia and is very popular with the men in Unit No. 140.



MACHINE GUN PRACTICE—Cpl. Harold Needham and Lt. Jim Allen, of Unit 297; and Pvt. Morris, of Decatur



PLENTY OF WORK FOR EVERYONE—Men of Lawrenceville Unit on wood detail.



Guard Officers Are Elevated

Elevation of 20 majors to lieutenant colonels and assignment of commands in the reorganization of the Georgia State Guard has been announced in general orders from state headquarters.

The assignment of commands followed announcement several days ago by Colonel R. W. Collins, guard commander, that the former 27 districts would be combined into 20 battalions.

In districts where consolidation became effective, one of the former district commanders is elevated to lieutenant colonel and the other remains second in command, or executive officer, retaining the rank of major.

The battalions and their commanders and second in command are: (Where no second in command is listed, appointments are to be made later.)

First battalion: Lieutenant Colonel Mark Cooper, Rome; Major Clarence C. Hill.

Second battalion: Lieutenant Colonel Walter S. Davison, Gainesville; Major J. Larry Kleckley.

Third battalion: Lieutenant Colonel Fuller Callaway Jr., LaGrange.

Fourth battalion: Lieutenant Colonel Frank Fling, Atlanta.

Fifth battalion: Lieutenant Colonel Scott Candler, Decatur.

Sixth battalion: Lieutenant Colonel Paul Ponder, Madison.

Seventh battalion: Lieutenant Colonel Thomas N. Colley, Elberton.

Eighth battalion: Lieutenant Colonel Roland H. Neel, Macon; Major Paul M. Pourifey.

Ninth battalion: Lieutenant Colonel Henry S. Wooten, Milledgeville.

Tenth battalion: Lieutenant Colonel George Haines, Augusta.

Eleventh battalion: Lieutenant Colonel Henry B. Pease, Columbus; Major Paul Hodges.

Twelfth battalion: Lieutenant Colonel Sam A. Nunn, Perry.

Thirteenth battalion: Lieutenant Colonel Marshall A. Chapman, Dublin.

Fourteenth battalion: Lieutenant Colonel John B. Spivey, Swainsboro; Major Thad J. Morris.

Fifteenth battalion: Lieutenant Colonel Levi W. Smith, Albany; Major G. C. McKenzie.

Sixteenth battalion: Lieutenant Colonel Osborne S. Williams, Blackshear; Major Edward L. Darling.

Seventeenth battalion; Lieutenant Colonel George A. Rice, Savannah.

Eighteenth battalion: Lieutenant Colonel James M. Clark, Thomasville.

Nineteenth battalion: Lieutenant Colonel William C. Eager, Valdosta.

Twentieth battalion: Lieutenant Colonel James D. Gould, Brunswick.

Local Guardsmen Stage Maneuvers, Overnight Camp

Local State Guard units combined business with pleasure over a recent week-end, staging an overnight camp and maneuvers at the National Guard shack on the bank of the Withlacoochee river north of the city.

A large number of Guardsmen attended the encampment, enjoying a supper cooked on the spot with field equipment, and bunking down for the night.

It was mostly business, though, as the units went through intensive drill and maneuvers which will further prepare them to carry out their duties in the event of an emergency. Special instruction was given on tactical problems.

Breakfast and dinner were served on Sunday, and the men disbanded in the afternoon.

Signal Detachment District No. 26 on Compass March

On a recent Signal Company encampment the Hq. Sig. Unit of Dist. No. 26 reported an interesting sequence of events well worth reproduction.

Saturday

(6 P.M.) Ran telephone line to Camp entrance, established Outpost, to be manned by armed guards until 11 P.M., guards to challenge all comers and phone headquarters before admitting.

(6:30 P.M.) Tent pitching (in charge of Sgt. Bracewell) 1 hour.

(8:00 P.M.) Mess.

(9:00 P.M.) One hour discussion and demonstration with telephone wire (Sgt. Parrish).

(11:00 P.M.) Quiet in Barracks. Men may remain up long as wish in dining hall but no noise permitted in barracks area.

Sunday

(6:00 A.M.) Reveille — Calisthenics in charge of Sgt. Gallinger.

(6:30 A.M.) Mess.

(7:30 A.M.) Religious service (Sgt. Gallinger).

(7:45 A.M.) Uniformed in Blue Denims — inspection by CO for neatness, discipline, etc.

(8:15 A.M.) Departure on two hour road march—following compass directions.

(10:15 A.M.) Arrived back at Camp.

(10:30 A.M.) Tent Pitching—one hour (Sgt. Bracewell).

(12:30 P.M.) Mess.

(1:30 P.M.) Telephone Communications (Sgt. Parrish). Contest between chosen teams to consist of laying lines and connecting phones in the shortest possible time. Work judged by an umpire. (1½ hours.)

(3:00 P.M.) Policed bivouac area.

(3:30 P.M.) Break Camp.

Two State Guard Officers Going To Fighting Army

First Lt. Johnny Lewis and Second Lt. E. A. (Ears) Barfield, of the Ben Hill unit, Georgia State Guard, are both going into the United States Army, leaving Captain J. E. Mathis, Jr., a difficult problem of replacing his commissioned aides.

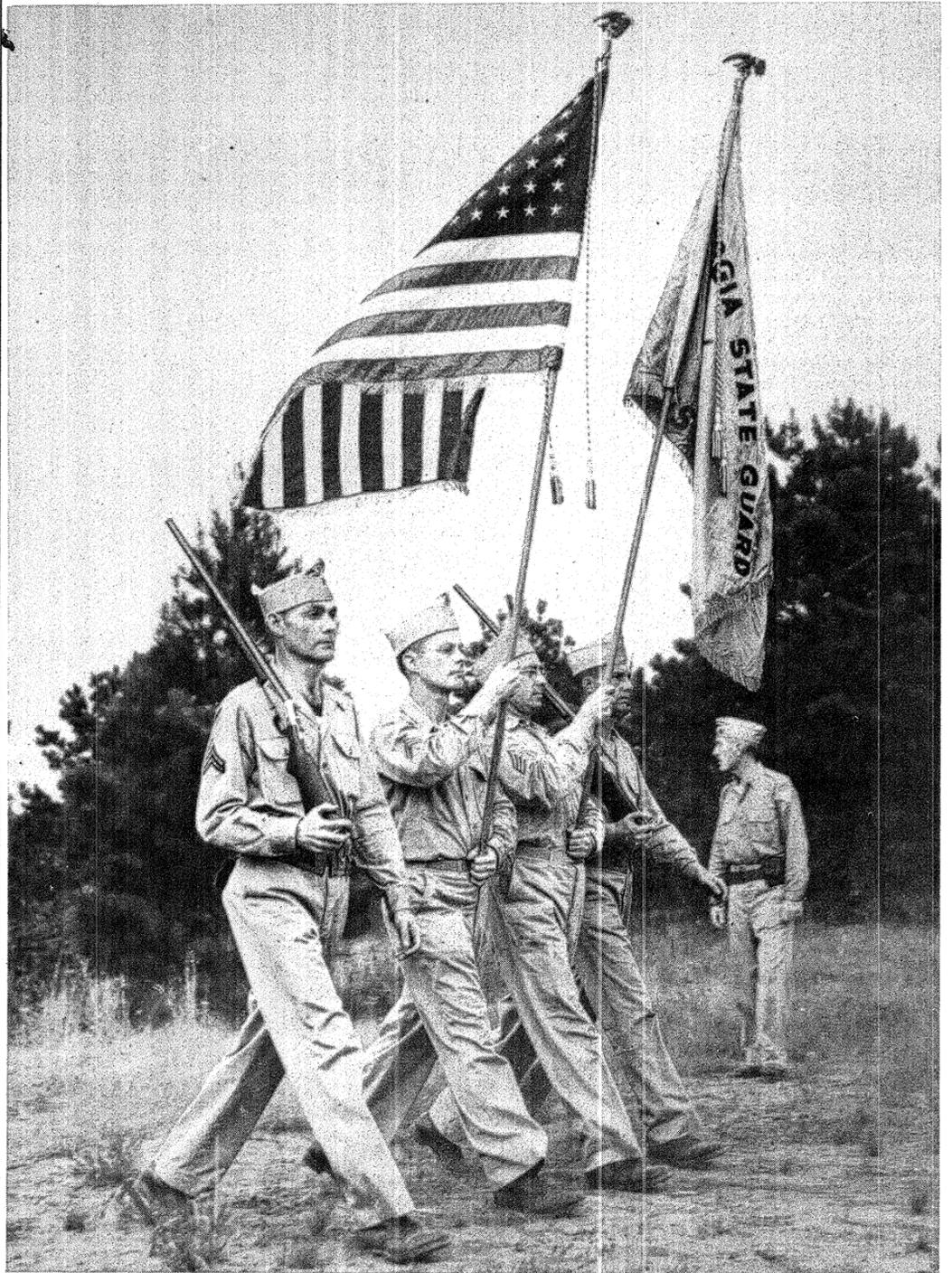
Lt. Lewis will go into the army with a lieutenant's commission, to serve in the railroad division. He left Fitzgerald in October to take up his military duties. Mrs. Lewis and children plan to remain here.

Lt. Barfield has been one of the first fathers called from Bibb county where he is registered under the selective service program. He and Mrs. Barfield have decided that he will not ask deferment, either as a father or as an essential man. She will try to defend their personal home front by running the Dr. Pepper plant while Ears starts into the army as a buck private, to do the best job he can. The Lions Club will have to find a new president in his place.

The guard unit now has a strength of 53 men, including six who were on the roster at its organization November 1, 1940. The veterans are Captain J. E. Mathis, Supply Sergeant K. S. Lagerstrom, C. L. Adams, J. H. Adams, C. A. Pickens and R. E. Rosser.

The unit has "graduated" nearly 100 men into the armed services, a majority of them winning commissions or non-commissioned ratings as a result of the training in what is becoming known as "Captain Mathis' Little West Point."

Ed Smith, Tedford Myers and Johnny Lewis all have won commissions. Major Preston B. Seanor, now with the Army Air Forces on active duty, was an instructor of the guard before going into active army service.



OLD GLORY ON PARADE BY THE TENTH BATTALION

To The Ladies — God Bless 'em

To the writer's certain knowledge, there has been—and perhaps will continue to be—a lot of discontent among the ladies over the fact that some male members of the family are, according to them, "playing soldier" in the State Guard.

Now ladies, that is where you are in error. If he is doing his duty as a member of the State Guard—any State Guard—HE IS A SOLDIER! What else do you think he is, and why is he doing it? You should remember that a World War is on. Your personal safety and future happiness is in jeopardy, and your "play-boy" is putting himself in condition to safeguard that safety and happiness of you and others.

If that member of your family, who, according to you, is "playing soldier" fails to do certain things you want done during the time he devotes to his duty as a Guardsman, you give him "the mischief"! don't you? When you do this, just remember YOU are giving aid and comfort to our enemies by distracting your man from his duty, lowering his morale, perhaps causing him to quit his Unit altogether.

Would you encourage our regular soldiers to quit and come back to do little things you would like done? Have you satisfied yourself that YOU are doing YOUR DUTY?

The "Navy Widows" and the "Army Widows" are having a lot tougher time than any "State Guard Widow," so won't you play the game too? Don't you know in

State Guard Band Delights Large October Crowd

The Georgia State Guard band, appearing in Newnan for the first time Sunday afternoon, October 3, delighted by its playing a large crowd assembled on the court square to hear its performance.

The 35-piece musical organization demonstrated its versatility in a program composed of light classics, popular melodies and martial airs. Captain M. A. Greenblatt, commanding officer and director, stated that the band had never played before such an enthusiastic and appreciative audience as greeted its appearance in Newnan, and that all its officers and men hoped to play a return engagement here soon.

Following the concert, the Newnan units of the State Guard staged the retreat drill.

your heart that most likely your "Soldier" who does his duty to home and country by putting in extra work drilling, and learning the art of war on "over-time" had much rather be resting or doing things for you?

Deep down you are really proud of him and his organization, and the things he is doing, aren't you? So encourage rather than discourage him, so he will be a BETTER SOLDIER. Do this, ladies, and that Heel Hitler and the so-called Son of Heaven will never have a chance to win.

(Signed) A Georgia Guardsman.

Unit 99 Enjoys Hike and Supper

The local unit of the Georgia State Guard, Unit 99, enjoyed taking a hike Wednesday night, October 13, where they feasted on an out-door supper. Pfc. Lamar Hill saw that there was plenty to eat and everybody showed a sharpened appetite after walking a distance. There was chicken and stew such as one seldom eats, besides the piping hot coffee was excellent.

During the time spent on this hike the Unit practiced marching and formation, which is always part of any outing.

All gathered around a fire for the necessary business. Letters were read by Capt. Harry Daniel. One of them announced the official approval of several promotions which went to Sgt. Whit Reeves, Cpl. Willett Reeves, Cpl. Robert H. Holland, Jr., Cpl. Hart, Pfc. Lamar Hill, Pfc. Johnson and Pfc. Hobes. The possibility of future entertainments were discussed.

The local Guard has done an excellent job so far but it lacks the support of the people of the county. The need of the Guard cannot be doubted. All interested in protecting our state are urged to come to the City Hall Thursday night at 8:00 o'clock and join the Unit.

To Capt. Daniel goes sincere thanks; also to Sgt. and Cpl. Reeves and Pfc. Lamar Hill in making this occasion a success.

Pvt. A. Davidson.