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ing. To grade "A" or better an egg must have a well-centered yolk.

Keeping Posted
By Charles Wilson

(Ed. Note — This is the first in a series of articles about the National Guard, written in order that the citizens of the Kings Mountain area may be informed on just what the local Guard unit is doing and how its members are trying to bring to our community "military prestige".)

JUST WHAT IS THE NATIONAL GUARD? — The National Guard is a volunteer organization of citizen-soldiers with a unit here in your own home town. It is a military organization, but its members are civilians. They are local citizens who go to school or either work in factories, stores or on farms. But whatever their civilian occupation is, they give a part of their time every week to train in the defense of their community and their country.

As our country grew, so the National Guard grew. As towns sprang up and states were added to the Union, additional Guard units came into being — for local and national protection. Today there are more than 6,000 Guard units in more than 2,200 communities. They are located in every one of the 48 States, and also in Alaska, Hawaii, Puerto Rico, and the District of Columbia.

At the head of your National Guard is the Governor of the State. Your local unit is commanded by an outstanding officer who lives and works at his civilian job right here in our community, as does the non-commissioned officers and men of this unit. Only in time of grave emergency, when our country is attacked or our safety is threatened, does your local Guard leave home for active military service.

The National Guard is charged with the responsibility of being ready for the successful execution of the following mission:

"To provide a reserve component of the Army of the United States, capable of immediate expansion to war strength, able to furnish units fit for service anywhere in the world trained and equipped:

"(1) To defend critical areas of the United States against land, sea, or airborne invasion.

"(2) To assist in covering the mobilization and concentration of the remainder of the reserve forces.

"(3) To participate, by units, in all types of operations, including the offensive, either in the United States or overseas."

In peacetime the local unit of the National Guard is the traditional guardian of life and property during domestic disasters such as floods, forest fires, explosions or hurricanes. And the local unit, unless it is at proper strength, will not be able to fulfill this important mission.

THE NATIONAL GUARD NEEDS YOUR HELP — The Guard is below normal strength because it has contributed more than 2,000 units — over 150,000 men — to active military service in the Korean emergency.

New men are needed now to keep present units, such as this one, at authorized training strength; to fill vacancies; to replace losses due to normal attrition; and to expand.

Unless the National Guard is at authorized strength, both locally and nationally, it will not be able to properly discharge its mission.

SUPPORT MUST BE OBTAINED FROM 5 MAJOR GROUPS:

1 YOUNG MEN — Volunteers must be recruited from 17-18½ age group; Guard veterans back home after a tour of active duty; selectees who have served two years on active duty and who have a remaining military obligation to serve in a reserve component. These groups of men can join the National Guard and keep it at the proper strength level.

2) PARENTS — You can find out personally at Headquarters about the advantages of Guard membership for your sons? Yes, by just calling your local Guard unit any time from the hours of 8 a. m. and 5 p. m., week days, Monday through Friday. Then after discussion with Guard Headquarters, you can help advise your sons to join the Guard and start their military training, under the experienced officers and non-commissioned officers of the Guard.

3) VETERANS — You can assist the Guard in its efforts to reach required strength in two important ways: (1) Advising young men to join; (2) Joining yourselves.

4) BUSINESSMEN — By adopting fair military leave policies for the Guardsmen in your employment; hiring and promoting Guardsmen based on individual merit and not discrimination against them because they may be called to active duty; by supporting Guard recruiting in their advertising; by displaying or distributing recruiting materials.

5) CIVIC GROUPS — By actively supporting the Guard unit in your community in such ways as public endorsement of the Guard; urging members who employ Guardsmen not to discriminate against them; helping recruiting by urging members to support public service advertising.

National Guard Headquarters is on Phifer road, and the telephone number is 606.

(Next week — "History of the National Guard")

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