

"Idle" Reservists Of U. S. Army Lose Millions Of Dollars

Over Half Million Pass Up Opportunity to Make Money

WASHINGTON—More than half a million American men are passing up an opportunity to make more money with little effort.

Many of these men have served at least two years on active duty in the Army and according to law are required to serve six years in the Army Reserve.

They are subject to recall to active duty in an emergency. Yet—since they are not taking an active part in the Army's reserve program—they forego the payment they could get for attending training classes and are neglecting their chances to build up substantial retirement incomes.

Retirement incomes after 20 years of satisfactory service as Army Reservists can range from \$30 to several hundred dollars a month payable from the man's 60th birthday until his death. The sum a reservist receives depends upon the number of points he has at the time of retirement.

The Army is encouraging men with a service obligation to join organized units so the units can be brought up to authorized strength and trained to meet their mobilization missions.

Reservists in many of these units receive a day's pay—figured according to their rank and length of service—for almost every training class they attend. All active reservists receive points toward retirement by attending training classes.

The reservist gets credit toward retirement for each day of active duty and for each training class he attends. He must get 50 points a year to meet the minimum requirements for retirement income.

He receives 15 of the points for being active in the Reserve. He must earn the other 35 points by attending classes with his unit, by active duty tours or through Army correspondence courses.

Most Reserve units meet one evening a week or one evening every other week in their local armories for two-hour training sessions. Many reserve officers spend two weeks each year on active duty at Army installations near their home.

This is how the Army Reserve Program works:

Under present law, most men between the ages of 18 and one-half and 26 must serve eight years in the military. Part of this time is served by active duty in the Army and part in the Reserve. Men who are drafted must serve at least two years on active duty. This leaves a six-year Reserve obligation.

Under the law, the Reserve forces are divided into the Ready, the Standby and the Retired Reserve. All National Guard units and most Army Reserve units are in the Ready Reserve.

When a soldier is separated from active duty, he is placed in the Ready Reserve for the time he has left to serve. During this period, he is subject to recall to active service in an emergency proclaimed by the President, as in the case of Korea.

If he joins a unit—either National Guard or Army Reserve—and takes an active part in the Ready Reserve, he may request transfer to the Standby Reserve when he becomes eligible.

To be eligible for transfer to the Standby, a reservist must have completed five years of active duty in the Armed Forces, or a total of five years combined active duty and duty with a Ready Reserve unit, or must have served on active duty with the

during World War II and at least one year since June 25, 1950, or have been active in a Reserve unit for a total of eight years.

Except in rare instances, a man in the Standby Reserve is subject to recall to active duty only in an emergency declared by Congress—a declaration of war.

The Retired Reserve is made up of men who, because of age or physical disability, cannot serve in the Ready or Standby, but who are eligible for the benefits of those reserve components.

Regulations make it easy for men to take an active part in the Army's Reserve program. Reservists not only can add to their incomes, but also can make patriotic contributions to their country by keeping themselves trained for military duty in case of emergency.

Growing Weeds Steal Moisture; Dead Weeds Help To Preserve It

Growing weeds left in the field or garden are the greatest thieves of soil moisture, according to C. W. Overman, county agent for the N. C. State College Agricultural Extension Service. But weeds that are killed and kept on top of the soil along with other plant residue become an efficient aid in conserving what water there is in the soil.

Growing weeds—if they are dense or thoroughly cover the ground—will transpire out into the air about the same amount of water as bare wet soil, says Mr. Overman. But the weeds keep on doing it day after day because they keep on sending their roots down into the subsoil where the water is. So controlling weeds Mr. Overman stressed, is just as important as not having bare, wet soil in your field on a sunny day. But, he adds, keep the dead weeds on the surface to avoid leaving the soil bare.

A wet, bare silt loam soil will lose a quarter of an inch of water in a single, clear dry day according to Mr. Overman. The second clear day, as the surface becomes dry, the loss will be less, and each successive day it will decrease. In four or five days, or about three days in summer, the loss becomes negligible after the soil has dried out to a depth of about eight inches and has lost a total of about a half inch of water.

To conserve moisture, Mr. Overman suggests keeping tillable land covered all year around either with grass, a growing crop, or plant residue (weeds will do). Rain stored in the soil in the winter, with the help of a ground cover, will be available for other crops in the following summer.

Emergency livestock loans, authorized by recent legislation, are now available to eligible farmers in North Carolina. J. B. Slack, Farmers Home Administration State Director has announced.

These loans will be made to establish producers and feeders of cattle, sheep and goats, provided they have good records of operations, have a reasonable chance to succeed and are unable to obtain needed credit from other sources to continue their normal operations. Such loans will not be made to carry on commercial feed lot operations, to refinance existing debts except for payment of current incidental bills, or to enable a borrower to start livestock operations.

Emergency Livestock Loans Now Available

Application forms may be obtained at any county office of the Farmers Home Administration. They may be filed with the local county FHA supervisor or directly with the state special livestock loan committee.

We wonder if Hollywood directors really think people act like the characters in movies.

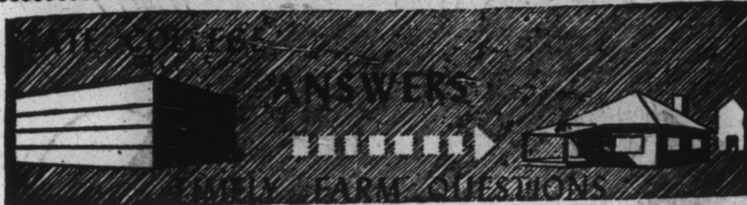
Little Known Facts about your navy

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DURING 1951 THE NAVY HANDLED 225 MILLION POUNDS OF MEAT.



Question: How can I make my cut flowers last longer?

Answer: There are several processes, but the best, perhaps, is to add a chemical preservative with the trade name, Floral Life to the water. This material can be obtained at most floral shops and at some dime stores. It should be added to the water as directed, approximately one ounce to each quart of water. It is best to cut flowers early in the morning and place them in warm water and then put them in a cool room. Each day the stems should be cut and fresh warm water added.

Question: What does a bee egg look like?

Answer: Of course the bee egg is quite small. It looks more like a link of sausage than an egg. It is pearly white in color and can easily be seen with the naked eye, although thousands of beekeepers have never seen the tiny egg that the queen places on end in the bottom of the cell. There is only one queen bee to lay the eggs in each hive. A good queen bee will lay 2,000 eggs in 24 hours. This is equal to her own weight in eggs in a single day.

Question: Can I dry crops in my flue-curing tobacco barn?

Answer: Yes. A small drying plant is rapidly becoming a necessity on many North Carolina farms. Drying ray, for instance, in the tobacco barn, is an established practice and the number of farmers doing this is increasing each year. Hybrid seed corn dryers have proved very practical. Research has shown that flue drying



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used soil will be sterile for 30 to 90 days. Soils treated with sodium chlorate will be sterile for six months to one year.

Question: Should I plant crotalaria immediately before tobacco?

Answer: It is not recommended because it is difficult to predict the amount of fertilizer the tobacco crop will require when a legume is used in the rotation, especially in years when the weather is unfavorable. Because of the nematode problem, growers should get more experience with crotalaria in the tobacco rotation, especially on the very deep, light, sandy soils. But even on these soils it is suggested that a crop of corn or cotton follow the crotalaria before tobacco. If the field is medium to fertile you should not use crotalaria unless it is followed with two or more crops other than tobacco.

Question: Can I propagate flowering crab apple trees from seed?

Answer: Unfortunately, no. If you attempt to sow seeds of any of the flowering crab apple trees, you would obtain a great variation in types of plants. Seeds are sown and

If thou art rich, thou art poor; For, like an ass whose back with ingots bows,

Thou bear'st thy heavy riches but a journey, And death unloads thee.

—Shakespeare.

ENERGY VEST PACKS CHARGE

A vest with 117 pockets? The Army Signal Corps has come up with one. And it's mighty practical.

The 117 pockets are designed to hold many dry-cell batteries. It is to be worn under the overcoats of soldiers assigned to cold-climate, front-line radio communications.

The vest is an experiment to find a way to keep walkie-talkie radio batteries warm and functioning in sub-zero temperatures.

Dry cells, kept warm in a manner, have much more energy than regular batteries, which are sapped of energy quickly when exposed to freezing temperatures.

The vest weighs slightly more than three pounds.

MYSTERIES OF "BLACK MAGIC" EXPLAINED

Most everybody has heard of the magic practiced in the steaming jungles of Africa. John Gunther, noted author, provides a fascinating account of some of the mysteries of witchcraft no one has been able to explain. Look for this revealing story in the September 6th issue of

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The law requires an ANNUAL ACCOUNT to be made each year and an Inventory to be filed within 90 days after qualifying. If your Annual Account, Inventory or Final Account are past due, we respectfully urge that you file same at once, as we are required to report all such cases to the Grand Jury, which will be convened at the September term of Chowan County Superior Court September 14.

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