

### Regular Army Makes Bid For Enlistments

The War Department's nation-wide drive for a large Regular Army to protect the peace won at such a cost, is gathering momentum every day as thousands of men are enlisting or reenlisting throughout the U. S. and the various overseas theatres. Representatives of this Recruiting drive will make schedule visits here in Raeford on Wednesdays from 9 to 12 o'clock and will be available to answer all questions and to provisionally accept men for enlistment in the local draft board.

The Recruiters work out of the Rockingham headquarters, which is the local Territory Office for the several counties in our vicinity. Staff Sgt. Victor H. Huggill, recruiting sergeant, stresses that all veterans desirous of retaining their rank and receiving their reenlistment furlough with pay and travel allowance must enlist within 30-days of their date of discharge. The enlistment must actually be accomplished within 20 days, making it necessary to complete the acceptance at the Rockingham main office, not later than the 18th day to realize the many benefits a grateful Uncle Sam in making available to the returning veterans.

The 20-year retirement policy; the choice, through Congressional Law, of branch or service and occupational zone with a 3-year enlistment; the option of a 18-month or 2-year period to those who desire; the continuance of a family allotment, and the security of an ever present pay check linked with the advantage offered through travel and education—all these are the compelling factors behind the strong preference of so many of America's men for the Service Career. Men 17-34 may be accepted without prior service. All veterans inquiring are requested to bring copies of their discharge papers.

### Victory Clothing Drive For UNRRA

New York, Dec. 12.—The President's War Relief Control board has called upon all overseas war relief agencies in America to support the Victory Clothing Collection on behalf of UNRRA in one united nation-wide endeavor to collect clothing that is desperately needed in bombed-out-lands. It was announced today by Henry J. Kaiser, national chairman of the Victory Clothing Collection, scheduled for January 7-31.

Joseph E. Davies is chairman of the President's War Relief board which was set up by an Executive Order to authorize and regulate the collection by voluntary agencies of funds and goods for overseas relief. Other Board members are Charles P. Taft and Charles Warren.

In making public the board's directive, Mr. Kaiser stated that it was in line with a recommendation of

President Truman who called the January clothing drive imperative and who declared, "the universal response last spring, when all groups concerned with problems of war relief joined with the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration in one great national clothing appeal has proven beyond any doubt the value and efficiency of the united endeavor."

Mr. Kaiser also made public a strong endorsement of the Victory Clothing collection by the American Council of Voluntary Agencies for Foreign Service, of which Dr. Joseph P. Chamberlain is chairman. This endorsement urged its 58 member agencies to make the Victory Collection a truly consolidated effort, and to abstain from any competing collection from December 15, 1945 to February 15, 1946.

The statement issued by the President's War Control board approved the plans for the Victory Clothing Collection and recommended full use of all community facilities throughout the nation in support of the Col-

lection. It directed the more than 75 war relief agencies registered with the board or subject to its jurisdiction not to "initiate or carry out any national or local public campaign to collect clothing for war relief purposes between the dates of December 15 and February 15, except in collaboration with and for the benefit of the Victory Clothing Collection."

Mr. Kaiser reported that 7,797 communities throughout America are already organizing local clothing drives under the direction of the 3,514 men and women who have so far accepted appointment as local chairmen.

### Discharged Officers May Join Reserve

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 10.—There's an opportunity for all male officers of the Army of the United States, who have been or will be separated from the service to become members of the Officers Reserve Corps immediately, Major Harry O. Smith, chief of the procurement branch, Fourth Service Command, announced today.

Major Smith said that such officers, between the ages of 18 and 60, who are physically qualified for general service, limited service, or general service with waiver and who

have been honorably discharged, are eligible for immediate appointment in the Officers' Reserve Corps for an initial period of five years and in the grade he held at the time of his separation from the Army of the United States.

Post war planning, Major Smith explains, provides for a large reserve army and it is estimated that approximately 400,000 officers will comprise the Officers Reserve Corps. Applications may be made to any U. S. Army Recruiting office.

Thomas D. Chitty of Hertford county dusted his peanuts with sulphur to control leaf spot diseases and obtained a return of \$12 for each dollar he spent in dusting.

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