

Army Begins Organization Of National Guard That Will Be Twice Pre-War Size

By Esther Van Wagener Tufty

The army has just disclosed plans for a "Minute Man" national guard for Michigan, made up of 24,695 men, ready to fight whenever called. The pre-war strength was 8,200.

More than twice the size of the pre-war national guard, the new force brings in changes. All the units of the old famed 25 division will be in the newly authorized 46th Infantry division. All 48 states have accepted their troop allotments, totaling 683,114 officers and men, and 18 of them have been authorized to organize and begin functioning. Michigan is one of the 18.

Mobilizing in Minut' Major General Butler Miltonberger is intent on making what he calls the "M-day" force ready to be mobilized "one minute from now" rather than a potential reserve as the National Guard has been in the past.

Miltonberger said that the United States can no longer depend upon a considerable training and expansion period to prepare the National Guard for combat. Approved plans, he acknowledged, call for the guard to be prepared to resist a surprise air-borne invasion or "bom-bomb" attack.

"We can't always hope to fight on someone else's home ground," he said.

Heading the national guard in Michigan is Brig. Gen. LeRoy Pearson, adjutant general.

Greater Powers The adjutant has greater powers than is generally understood. Just as the Secretary of War is advisor to the President so is the general to the governor. While the major duty of the National Guard is one of national defense, General Pearson would become the head man in the state in case of a riot, disaster or an invasion.

The War Department is reluctant to tell how recruitment is coming. But General Miltonberger said that "unless universal military training is adopted the recruiting of National Guard ground forces to full complement is a problem to be solved."

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Men in Service

Editor's Note—Men in the armed forces, and parents, are invited to send us the names of the boys' whereabouts and activities. Service men scattered about the country, are hungry for news of their friends. Even the address of a newspaper of interest.

Released from Navy Out Of Navy

George J. Ely, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Ely, 411 So. Adams, returned home on Friday after spending 21 months as a seaman first class in the Navy. He spent seven months overseas, serving aboard the USS *Cascadia*, a destroyer tender, which docked at Tokyo, Yokosuka, Kobe and Wokoyama in Japan. He plans to enter school in study engineering in the fall.

Expected Home Soon

Richard Daeschner, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. Daeschner, 412 Berwyn, enlisted in the Army a short time ago, and has now been assigned to the medical corps and stationed at Camp Polk, La.

Dick's brother, Aviation Cadet Jack Daeschner, now stationed at Preflight Naval Base, Glenview, Ill., is expected home on furlough some time in August, according to his parents. Another brother, Lieutenant William H. Daeschner, commanding officer of the QM Company, 24th Infantry, who was stationed at Kobe, then at Okayama and now at Kokura, Japan, is expected to be home on terminal leave by the end of August.

Gets Discharge

William D. Hooper III, son of Mr. and Mrs. William D. Hooper, 608 Vinewood, was discharged recently after serving as an ensign in the Navy for three years. He enlisted under the V-12 program at the University of Michigan and at Detroit, Mich.

He was commissioned in October of 1945, and then went to the University of Michigan at Detroit, Mich. He went overseas on the USS *Shea* in January of this year, visiting Cuba and the Virgin Islands. He plans to get his degree in engineering at the University of Michigan this fall.

Navy Dischargee

Seaman first class Frank H. Delahanty, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank H. Delahanty, 248 S. Adams, was discharged July 22 from the Navy, after serving 18 months.

He has been stationed at the Naval Air Station in Atlantic City, New Jersey.

Gets Discharge Paper

Ralph I. Corryell, Jr., Seaman 1/C of the Navy, was discharged recently from Shoemaker, Cal. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph I. Corryell, 848 Fertile avenue, who do not expect him to return home for another month.

He has been in the Navy for 14 months, but early in his service career was hospitalized with rheumatic fever which kept him inactive for quite some time.

Expected Home

John F. Daneke, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. John F. Daneke, 583 Michigan, received his Naval discharge Tuesday, and is expected home today. He enlisted in the Navy 15 months ago, and received training in the post office school, before being shipped overseas several months ago. He is stationed at the radio base, Wahiawa Oahu in the Pacific, acting as a postmaster. That base was contacted from which messages on the Bikini bombing were issued.

Back From Navy

James H. Vaughn, SP(X) 3/C, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Vaughn, 880 Shirley drive, returned home Tuesday after 10 months in the Navy. He enlisted in the Navy and after best training was stationed at the Naval Army in Toledo, O.

Two Brothers Return

David I. Wanzberg, S 2/C, and Franklin Charles Wanzberg, Ensign, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Ingwald Wanzberg, 1011 Pierce, have both been discharged from the Navy recently.

David has been in the Navy 13 months, and was trained at the mailman school in San Francisco. He went overseas seven months ago to land bases at Pearl Harbor and Guam. He hopes to attend State Teachers College at Kalamazoo in the fall to study physical education.

Franklin has been in the Navy three years, going in under the V-12 program at University of Michigan. He finished his training at MIT, where he received his B.S. degree in meteorology. He was where he was commissioned in February of this year.

He was sent to Alaska, where he has been the Navy weather forecaster for five months. Pleasant weather at this time, he said, is very, very foggy, but the climate is mild. He hopes, also, to enter Western States Teachers College at Kalamazoo this fall to obtain his masters degree in physical education.

Back To School

James A. Plant, S 1/C (AETM), son of Mr. and Mrs. Arch B. Plant, of Guilford road, Bloomfield Hills, received his discharge July 21 from the Navy.

He has been in the Navy 15 months, studying under the Electronics Technician Program at Dearborn Naval School and at Naval Air Technical Training Center in Corpus Christi, Texas. He plans to enter the University of Michigan in the fall, to study electrical engineering.

DAV asks Permission For Tag Day Sept. 13

A request of the City Commission that approval be given, the Southern Oakland County Chapter No. 18 of the Disabled American Veterans for a "forget-me-not" tag sale on September 13-14 was referred to the city manager for further study.

Several commissioners pointed out the city's practice is to permit only local organizations to stage tag days within city limits. City Manager D. C. Egbert was to determine whether the DAV chapter could be considered a "local" organization since its activities might be thought to include disabled veterans from Birmingham.

On Terminal Leave

Lieutenant (JG) Vinton Prentice Birch is now at home with his parents, Colonel and Mrs. Vinton Birch, 420 Harrison, on terminal leave from the Navy. He has been the electronic and combat Intelligence Officer aboard a destroyer.

To Study Engineering

Jack F. Flatman, CM 3/C, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Flatman, 5135 Spring street, W. Bloomfield, was discharged from the Navy July 20. He was in the Navy 18 months, spending 16 months overseas, from aboard the USS *Maryland*, and then stationed at Okinawa.

He plans to go to servicemen's school in Highland Park in the fall, and is interested in studying electrical engineering.

Patrolled Coast

Norton D. Redwood, MM 3/C, son of Mr. and Mrs. David Redwood, 18475 Quentin drive, received his discharge after spending 16 months in the Navy. He was on the USS *Asakari* which patrolled the coast of California, Washington and Panama. He plans to return to school in the fall to study mechanical engineering.

Colonel Walter C. Cole, Commanding Officer of the Michigan Recruiting District announced recently that a new field of enlistment is available for young men who are interested in joining the army and enlisting for the 28th Infantry Division, Pacific Theater, or the Eighty-Second Airborne Division, Zone of the Interior. Enlistment for these units will be made for a three year period only, but additional enlistments for Airborne unassigned may be made for one and one-half, two or three years. A young man now entering the Army will receive \$75 a month in addition to his clothing, food, lodging, medical and dental care, and liberal retirement privileges. This is initial pay only and does not include bonuses.

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