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Honorable William G. Stratton
Governor of the State of Illinois
Springfield, Illinois

Dear Sir:

The following report of the Military and Naval Department is submitted in accordance with Section 26, Article IV, Military and Naval Code of Illinois, approved 8 July 1957 and covers the period between 1 November 1958 and 31 October 1960.

During this biennial period two important changes have occurred in the Illinois National Guard.

In 1959 the entire Illinois Army National Guard was reorganized under the pentomic concept and the number of units reduced from 160 to 119. In the process of reorganization all units were either reorganized, converted, redesignated and/or consolidated. The reorganization was completed during the period 1 March-31 May 1959 and the units attended Field Training that year in their pentomic status. Despite the reorganization the units and organizations maintained their excellent training status which is shown in detail in the sections on Inspections in this report.

In addition to the above the other major change in the Illinois Army National Guard was the implementation of the Reserve Officers Personnel Act which became effective 1 July 1960 and made all officers in the component subject to the provisions on elimination and mandatory promotion established therein. What the eventual effect of this law will be is under study at the present time with a view to determine the long range projection necessary for retaining or securing officers required for the efficient operation and training of the Army National Guard.

The Air Defense Missile Units of the 202d Artillery Group, Illinois Army National Guard were accepted into the Air Defense of the Continental United States and assigned to On-Site stations in the Chicago-Gary Defense Area. The 1st and 2d Missile Battalions of the 202d Artillery Group each took over 4 On-Site positions from units of the United States Army thereby relieving these troops for duty elsewhere.

The State Military Forces have attained a high degree of efficiency and are capable of successfully accomplishing their assigned mission, both Federal and State.

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RESERVE OFFICER PERSONNEL ACT

Public Law 773—83rd Congress

The Reserve Officer Personnel Act (ROPA) which has been applicable to the Illinois Air National Guard since 1 July 1955 became effective in the Illinois Army National Guard on 1 July 1960.

Under the provisions of this law all officers of the Illinois National Guard are subject to the age in grade, length of service, mandatory promotion and qualification requirements applicable to a reserve officer of the same component of the Armed Forces. To secure Federal recognition as a member of the Illinois National Guard an officer must meet the requirements for appointment or promotion in the respective Reserve Force. Therefore the career of all officers in the Illinois National Guard is controlled by the Federal regulations established in accordance with this law.

TROOP BASIS ALLOTMENT FOR ILLINOIS

The Federal Government in conformity with its overall planning for a balanced force to provide for our national security allotted to the State of Illinois 141 units (Army, Air, and Navy) with an allotted strength of 16,602 officers, warrant officers, and enlisted men as follows:

ARMY

<u>Organization</u>	<u>Unit(s)</u>	<u>Allotted Strength</u>	<u>Actual Strength</u>
Hq & Hq Det, Ill ARNG	1	96	93
33d Inf Div	88	9749	9898
1st BG, 178th Inf	13	1353	1224
202d Arty Gp	12	1235	1233
32d Ord Bn	5	502	480
Total	119	12,935	12,928

AIR

<u>Organization</u>	<u>Unit(s)</u>	<u>Allotted Strength</u>	<u>Actual Strength</u>
Hq, Ill ANG	1	29	19
126th AD Wing	11	2131	2032
Total	12	2160	2051

NAVY

<u>Organization</u>	<u>Unit(s)</u>	<u>Allotted Strength</u>	<u>Actual Strength</u>
Brig, Ill Naval Militia	10	1507	713

THE NATIONAL GUARD IN THE ACTIVE DEFENSE OF THE UNITED STATES IN TIME OF PEACE

During the period of this report the Federal Government assigned missions to both the Army and Air National Guard in the Active Defense of the Nation.

The Air National Guard is actively participating in the Air Defense Command Alert Program by providing personnel and aircraft fully armed from 30 minutes before sunrise to 30 minutes after sunset each day. Pilots on alert when properly notified are air borne within five minutes for the purpose of intercepting any unknown or known enemy aircraft in the area.

The Army National Guard for the first time in its history is manning On-Site NIKE positions in the Chicago-Gary Defense Area and two battalions of the 202d Artillery Group of the Illinois National Guard now man 8 On-Site positions in the State of Illinois.

HONOR GRADUATES SERVICE SCHOOLS

During the period of this report the following personnel of the Illinois National Guard were designated as Honor Graduates of their classes at U. S. Army Service Schools:

<u>Rank</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Organization</u>	<u>Service School</u>
Lt	Richard A Wittington	Hq, 108th Engr Bn	Engr School
Pvt E-2	Joseph L Turner	Btry D, 1st AW Bn,	Air Defense School
		184th Arty	(RFA Trainee)
Pvt E-2	Branch R Mouling	Btry D, 1st AW Bn,	Air Defense School
		184th Arty	(RFA Trainee)
Pvt E-2	Eric G Olofason	Btry B, 1st AW Bn,	Air Defense School
		184th Arty	(RFA Trainee)

CHICAGO TRIBUNE OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

During the period of this report the Chicago Tribune awarded Outstanding Achievement Awards to personnel of the Illinois Army National Guard annually. Awards were made to the two (2) outstand-

ing enlisted men of each battle group and battalion and are retained permanently by the individuals. One (1) award is for personnel in Grades E-1 through E-4 and one (1) for personnel in Grades E-5 through E-9.

Individuals receiving awards are listed below:

1959

<u>Rank</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Organization</u>
Sgt	Billie W Bell	Hq Btry, 202d Arty
Sp-4	Norman J Bingham	Hq Btry, 33d Div Arty
Sp-4	Eldon P Brehm	Co A, 2d Med Tk Bn, 106th Armor
PFC	Kenneth F Brendecke	Co C, 108th Engr Bn
M/Sgt	Harry H Burson Jr	Hq Btry, 3d How Bn, 122d Arty
M/Sgt	William M Cagley	Co D, 2d BG, 129th Inf
PFC	David E Cox	Co C, 2d BG, 130th Inf
Cpl	Daniel L Devore	CS Co, 2d BG, 129th Inf
M/Sgt	Randall N Doll	Co C, 1st BG, 131st Inf
SFC	Marvin L Flickinger	Btry A, 1st Rkt How Bn, 123d Arty
SFC	Marion E Franks	Co A, 108th Trans Bn
Sp-4	Leon Fullett	Hq Det, 33d Inf Div Trains
PFC	Johann Haas	Co E, 1st BG, 131st Inf
M/Sgt	Leroy J Hall	Hq Co, 108th Engr Bn
SFC	Donald L Harpring	Trp B, 1st Recon Sq, 106th Armor
Sp-5	Noah A Harris Jr	Co B, 2d Med Tk Bn, 106th Armor
SFC	Frederick E Heller	Hq Det, 108th Med Bn
M/Sgt	Richard E Highland	Hq Co, 2d BG, 130th Inf
M/Sgt	Robert T Hixon	Hq Btry, 2d How Bn, 123d Arty
PFC	James V Holevoet	Co C, 108th Trans Bn
M/Sgt	John D Howell	Co E, 1st BG, 178th Inf
SFC	Harold Hunsaker	126th Ord Co
M/Sgt	Arnold S Jacka	Hq & Co A, 733d Ord Bn
PFC	Kenneth E Jablonski	Co A, 108th Med Bn
Sp-5	Saul Kaufman	Hq Btry, 1st Msl Bn, 202d Arty
Cpl	Ralph A Kern	Co D, 1st BG, 130th Inf
Sgt	Earl W Kusch	Btry A, 1st How Bn, 122d Arty
Sp-4	Donald E Larson	Btry B, 2d Msl Bn, 202d Arty
SFC	Donald A Leceluis	Btry C, 2d Msl Bn, 202d Arty
M/Sgt	Walter F Lindeman	Hq Co, 133d Sig Bn
SFC	Faite Mack	33d Avn Co
M/Sgt	John F Miletta	Hq Det, Ill ARNG
SFC	Jerry R Mills	Co C, 1st BG, 130th Inf
SFC	Lawrence A Nauden	Btry A, 1st AW Bn, 184th Arty
Sp-4	Leonard R Nichols	Hq Trp, 1st Recon Sq, 106th Armor
Sp-4	Donald W Peek	108th Ord Co
Pvt E-2	Gerald Pettis	Co C, 1st BG, 178th Inf

1959

<u>Rank</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Organization</u>
PFC	Bobbie L Ratmeyer	Co B, 1st BG, 129th Inf
Sp-4	Percell Reed	Btry C, 1st AW Bn, 184th Arty
Sp-4	Thomas S Rivera	Btry C, 1st Msl Bn, 202d Arty
SFC	Edward E Robinson	Hq & Hq Co, 33d Inf Div
Sp-4	Richard A Rozak	Hq Btry, 2d How Bn, 122d Arty
PFC	Michael Salerno	Hq & Co A, 733d Ord Bn
Pvt E-2	Raymond J Scarpelli	Btry A, 1st How Bn, 122d Arty
Sp-4	Michael R Schag	Hq Btry, 202d Arty
M/Sgt	Walter A Sikora	Hq Btry, 2d How Bn, 122d Arty
Cpl	Eugene A Sonnevill	Btry B, 2d How Bn, 123d Arty
Sp-4	Clarence O Thurman	Btry A, 1st Rkt How Bn, 123d Arty
Sgt	Dennie W Voiles	Co C, 1st BG, 129th Inf
PFC	Charles J Wisniewski	Btry B, 3d How Bn, 122d Arty

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PFC	John N Acker	Co C, 1st BG, 129th Inf
S/Sgt	Hershey Ballard	Btry B, 1st AW Bn, 184th Arty
PFC	Dwayne B Beidleman Jr	Co E, 2d BG, 129th Inf
M/Sgt	Howard A Berger	Btry B, 4th How Bn, 122d Arty
Sp-4	Robert W Bergstrom	Co B, 108th Trans Bn
M/Sgt	Kenneth L Bernard	Hq Det, 111 ARNG
Sp-4	Bernard A Bosch	Co C, 108th Engr Bn
S/Sgt	Charles D Boyer	Hq Co, 2d BG, 130th Inf
S/Sgt	Harold J Bultema	Btry B, 2d How Bn, 122d Arty
PFC	Lawrence Cardwell	Hq Btry, 1st How Bn, 122d Arty
Cpl	Raymond J Collins	Btry B, 2d How Bn, 122d Arty
Sgt	Kenneth D Courtois	128th Ord Co
SFC	Andrew W Cox	Hq Det, 33d Inf Div Trains
Sp-4	Roger L Davis	128th Ord Co
M/Sgt	Anthony J DeLaurentis	Co C, 108th Engr Bn
S/Sgt	John P DeRycke	Hq Co, 108th Trans Bn
PFC	Kenneth C Eaton	Hq Btry, 1st Rkt How Bn, 123d Arty
M/Sgt	Ray G Ethington	Btry B, 2d How Bn, 123d Arty
SFC	Robert R Golden	Co C, 2d Med Tk Bn, 106th Armor
S/Sgt	Earl D Hester	CS Co, 1st BG, 130th Inf
S/Sgt	John J Hon	Co D, 1st BG, 131st Inf
Cpl	Leo P Hunt	Co E, 1st BG, 131st Inf
Sp-4	Ralph H Hurd	Btry D, 2d Msl Bn, 202d Arty
M/Sgt	Donald S Janous	Hq Btry, 1st How Bn, 122d Arty
S/Sgt	Thomas Jordan	Co E, 1st BG, 178th Inf
SFC	Eugene A Liesse	Hq Co, 2d BG, 129th Inf
Sp-4	Daniel B Liss	Hq Btry, 1st Msl Bn, 202d Arty

1960

<u>Rank</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Organization</u>
Sp-4	Daniel T Lumsden	Hq & Hq Det, 33d Inf Div Trains
Sp-4	Paul D Mackey	Btry A, 1st AW Bn, 184th Arty
SFC	Frank L Mandrell	Hq Btry, 202d Arty
M/Sgt	Carl E McCarver	Co A, 1st BG, 129th Inf
M/Sgt	Richard E Miller	Btry A, 2d Msl Bn, 202d Arty
M/Sgt	John F Nicklas Sr	Trp C, 1st Recon Sq, 106th Armor
S/Sgt	Beogelan Z Niedzwiecki	Co B, 733d Ord Bn
Sgt	Angelo Panozzo	Hq Btry, 33d Inf Div Arty
Sgt	Lyle E Parish	Btry A, 1st Rkt How Bn, 123d Arty
Sp-4	James E Perrine	Co C, 1st BG, 130th Inf
Sp-4	John H Smith	Co E, 1st BG, 178th Inf
Cpl	Joseph A Stohr Jr	Btry A, 3d How Bn, 122d Arty
PFC	James C Stribling Jr	Btry A, 2d How Bn, 123d Arty
Sp-4	Richard G Torpe	Hq & Co A, 733d Ord Bn
PFC	Michael D Unruh	Co E, 2d Med Tk Bn, 106th Armor
Sp-4	William W Young Jr	Co B, 2d BG, 130th Inf

OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS BY TECHNICAL SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS

During the period of this report the American Ordnance Association, the Armed Forces Communications and Electronics Association, the Quartermaster Association, and the Society of American Military Engineers awarded Outstanding Achievement Awards to the outstanding enlisted men of the Technical Service Organizations of the Illinois Army National Guard. The National Defense Transportation Association awarded an Outstanding Achievement Award in 1960 only as the State of Illinois had no Transportation Unit prior to the reorganization in 1959.

The awards were made to the individuals listed below:

1959

American Ordnance Association

Sp-2	Vernon E VanVelkinburg	Hq Det, 32d Ord Bn
M/Sgt	Fay H Witt	Co B, 733d Ord Bn

Armed Forces Communications and Electronics Association

SFC	Donald L Weermink	33d Sig Co
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Quartermaster Association

SFC Michael A Patitucci 33d QM Co

The Society of American Military Engineers

Sgt Robert N Albee Co C, 108th Engr Bn

1960American Ordnance AssociationSgt Ronald L Gilbert 128th Ord Co
SFC Bernard C Thomsen Hq & Co A, 733d Ord BnQuartermaster Association

M/Sgt James F Popp 33d QM Co

The Society of American Military Engineers

M/Sgt Vincent J McEvilly Hq Co, 108th Engr Bn

National Defense Transportation Association

SFC Roger C Gray Co B, 108th Trans Bn

ILLINOIS OFFICER CANDIDATE SCHOOL

The Illinois Officer Candidate School was established on 1 June 1957.

This school is organized to train enlisted men of the Illinois Army National Guard to fill existing and future Second Lieutenant vacancies in the Army units of the Illinois National Guard.

The Program of Instruction offered is a balanced curricula of military subjects developed by The United States Army Infantry School, Fort Benning, Georgia.

The school is staffed by efficient, capable and experienced officers.

Intensive training, rigid standards of conduct and discipline, and an exacting manner of performance is demanded of the candidates.

The object of the school is to develop and train the highest type qualified enlisted men for appointment as future officers in the Illinois Army National Guard.

The Graduates of this school will be the leaders of the Illinois Army National Guard in the years that lie ahead, thereby preserving the great traditions and prestige of the National Guard. It is to this end that the Illinois Officer Candidate School is dedicated.

The training year is divided into two phases. The first consisting of two (2) weeks at Summer Field Training and the second phase consisting of ten (10) week-end sessions conducted at Camp Lincoln, Springfield, Illinois.

Seventy-eight (78) candidates were accepted for Class II of which forty-three (43) received diplomas presented by the Honorable William G. Stratton, 7 June 1959 at Camp Lincoln, Springfield, Illinois.

Eighty-two (82) candidates were accepted for Class III of which forty-one (41) received diplomas 5 June 1960 at Camp Lincoln, Springfield, Illinois.

Eighty-two (82) candidates were accepted for Class IV and are now in training. Graduation exercises are planned for 4 June 1961 at Camp Lincoln, Springfield, Illinois.

With the initiation of the Illinois Officer Candidate School all commissions as Second Lieutenants in the Illinois Army National Guard with the exception of doctors, dentists, chaplains, and judge advocates, are limited to graduates of the Illinois Officer Candidate School, the Officer Candidate School of another State, The U. S. Army Regular Officer Candidate School or the U. S. Army Special National Guard Officer Candidate School.

ANNUAL FIELD TRAINING 1959-1960

The fifteen days Annual Field Training required by Federal law for all units of the State Military Forces was conducted as follows:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Site</u>	<u>Organization</u>
1959	Naval Air Station, Quonset Point, R. I.	Selective Service Section, Hq & Hq Det, Ill ARNG
	Camp Ripley, Minnesota	Hq & Hq Det, Ill ARNG (-) 33d Inf Div 32d Ord Bn (-) Illinois Officer Candidate School
	Camp McCoy, Wisconsin	1st BG, 178th Inf 1st AW Bn, 184th Arty 108th Ord Co
	45th AA Brigade U. S. Army	202d Artillery Gp (Air Def)
	Phelps-Collins ANG Base, Alpena, Michigan	Headquarters, Ill ANG 126th Air Defense Wing 566th Air Force Band 217th GEEIA Squadron
	Volk Field, Camp Douglas, Wisconsin	169th Tactical Ftr Sq 170th Tactical Ftr Sq
	Red Hills State Park, Lawrenceville, Illinois	264th Communications Sq

1960 Camp Ripley, Minnesota	Hq & Hq Det, Ill ARNG 33d Inf Div (-) Illinois Officer Candidate School
Camp McCoy, Wisconsin	1st BG, 178th Inf 154th Army Band 32d Ord Bn 109th Signal Co (Spt) 33d Inf Div Arty
Camp Perry, Ohio	1st AW Bn, 184th Arty
Fort Knox, Kentucky	1st Recon Sq, 106th Armor 2d Med Tk Bn, 106th Armor
Camp Logan, Illinois	Hq & Hq Btry, 202d Arty Gp
Fort Sheridan, Illinois	Hq & Hq Btry, 1st Msl Bn, 202d Arty
On-Site Chicago Air Defense Area	Btrys A, B, C, D, 1st Msl Bn, 202d Arty 2d Msl Bn, 202d Arty
Phelps-Collins ANG Base, Alpena, Michigan	Hq, Illinois ANG 126th AD Wing 566th Air Force Band
Randolph, Kelly & Lackland AF Bases, San Antonio, Texas	217th GEEIA Sq
Volk Field, Camp Douglas, Wisconsin	169th Tactical Ftr Sq 170th Tactical Ftr Sq
Atlantic City, N. J.	264th Communications Sq

ILLINOIS ARMY NATIONAL GUARD UNIT RATINGS ON FIELD TRAINING EVALUATION REPORTS BY REGULAR ARMY EVALUATING TEAMS

<u>Rating</u>	<u>1959</u>	<u>1960</u>
Superior	2	10
Excellent	106	93
Very Satisfactory	9	---
Satisfactory	---	15
Unsatisfactory	---	---

When the Field Training Evaluation Form was revised in 1960 the rating of very satisfactory was no longer authorized and therefore this rating was not received during Field Training in 1960.

The Evaluation Team representing Fifth U. S. Army rated the 33d Infantry Division the best of the four infantry divisions they evaluated.

