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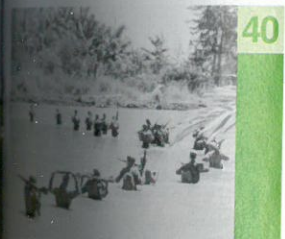
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Pushed off the front pages by the war on terror, the Kosovo peacekeeping mission is now in its eighth year and handled almost exclusively by Army National Guard soldiers. A recent visit by NATIONAL GUARD to the former Balkan war zone reveals progress within the communities that were once flashpoints of the conflict.



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Last year, the Army National Guard reported a 23 percent shortfall in company-grade officers. And things since have only gotten worse. The source of the problem is complicated. So are the solutions.



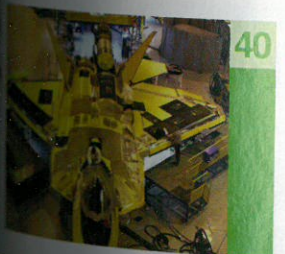
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Although it traces its roots back only a little more than a century, the Montana National Guard has been quick to make its mark. Montana Guardsmen were significant participants in the Spanish-American War before contributing to every major 20th century conflict. Today, the force is a major player in the war on terror and emergencies at home.



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Do you think helping to secure the Mexican border is new National Guard mission? Think again. In 1916, more than 100,000 Guardsmen mobilized to help pursue the Mexican bandit Pancho Villa.



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Nearly 160 companies are NGAUS Corporate Associate members. Through this affiliation, they supply valuable information and support association programs. This annual Product and Service Guide provides a brief showcase of each member corporation.

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