Travel Time is

Training Time
...when you move by rail!

Here are a few of many reasons why training movements of National Guards, Organized Reserves—in fact, all military groups—should be by rail:

1. Pre-arrival briefing is effective and convenient
2. Troops arrive rested and ready to go
3. Rail movement is valuable practice for actual troop-transport activity
4. Units travel together...on schedule
5. Detailed studies and discussions can be held in privacy...on travel time

Get the facts. Special discounts for military travel. Also reduced fares for furloughs.

Ask your railroad representative.

Railroads of the United States
DEPENDABLE Transportation

MARCH, 1964

THE National
Guard

OFFICIAL PUBLICATION OF THE NATIONAL GUARD ASSOCIATION OF THE UNITED STATES

OFFICE: 100 Indiana Ave., N.W., Washington 1, D.C. Phone: District 7-6541

TWX: WA566

Publication Office
Telegraph Press Bldg.,
Harrisburg, Penna.

March, 1954
Vol. 8, No. 3

General offices: 100 Indiana Ave., N.W., Washington 1, D.C. Entered as second class matter at the post office at Harrisburg, Pa., under the act of March 3, 1879.

Domestic subscriptions: $1.50 per year to members of the National Guard Association of the U.S.; $3.00 per year to non-members. Foreign and Canada, $5.00.

HOME DELIVERY TO NATIONAL GUARD ENLISTED MEN: $3.00 PER SUBSCRIPTION.

SPECIAL RATES TO NATIONAL GUARD UNITS FOR BULK SUBSCRIPTIONS TO ONE ADDRESS:

For 1 to 50 subscriptions, $7.50 per subscription.

$1.00 to 100 subscriptions, $1.75 per subscription.

$1.00 or more subscriptions, $1.50 per subscription.

SINGLE COPIES: 25c.

Manuscripts and pictures should be addressed to the Editorial Office. Unpublished manuscripts must be accompanied by return postage, and no responsibility is assumed for their safe handling.

Address changes should be forwarded to Circulation Dept., The National Guardian, 100 Indiana Ave., N.W., Wash-

Copyright, 1954, The National Guard Association of the United States. All rights reserved.

NATIONAL GUARD ASSOCIATION OF THE UNITED STATES

OFFICERS

Maj. Gen. L. A. Walsh, President
Maj. Gen. Lee M. Kreger, Vice-President
Maj. Gen. W. D. McMillan, Secretary
Maj. Gen. W. H. Abernathy, Treasurer

COMMITTEE ON PUBLICATION

Maj. Gen. E. J. Stackpole, Chairman
Maj. Gen. K. L. Berry, Vice-Chairman
Brig. Gen. James A. Murphy
Brig. Gen. Frank E. Fraser
Col. Frank W. Asser

EXECUTIVE STAFF

THE NATIONAL GUARDIAN

Allan G. Cott, Executive Editor
C. William Everitt, Associate Editor
C. H. Kemnerly, Production Editor

THE STAFF

contents

The Story of Army Uniforms
The President’s Page
Washington Report
When Boxing Was Really Brutal
Pentagon Paragraphs
Technical and Tactical
Posting the Guard
Sound Off
The Great Outdoors
As We See It

our cover

Unique among the National Guard’s many peace-time public services is its use of high explosive shells to control mountain snowslides. Here the Avalanche Control Squad from Hailey, Idaho’s, How Co, 116 Armored Cav—only one of its kind in the State—swings one of its two M7s into position near the base of Sun Valley’s Baldy Mountain. Minutes later, 13 rounds of 100mm shells had blasted away the overhanging cornices of snow threatening momentarily to break under their own weight and crash down upon ski bowls frequented by scores of sportmen. (Idaho National Guard Photo)