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DEAR GUARDSMEN: As any football crowd knows, "You can't tell the players without a program." You can apply the same principle to keeping up with what's going on in the far-flung National Guard, without reading THE NATIONAL GUARDSMAN.

By way of verification, we quote from a letter from CWO Charles D Hardison:

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With the letter was the order for enough subscriptions to cover the mem-

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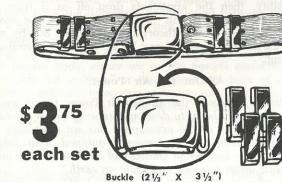
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