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dear guardsmen:

As many people have learned, it's getting so that a man can hardly take a deep breath without getting involved in law. And it's even more so in the National



Guard Assn's activities that expand along with the Guard and with Government in general.

Long since, it became apparent that a Staff Counsel belonged on the T/O of the NGAUS, and its officers found just the man: Col John L Strauss of the Missouri ANG.

An old hand at the ways of the Pentagon with which we constantly are dealing, and with laws and regulations under which the Guard operates, Colonel Strauss (licensed to practice law in the US Supreme Court and in his home State) came over 1 Oct from an active duty assignment as Executive Secretary of the Air Guard Section 5 Committee, which handles policy matters. Before that, he had been ANG advisor to the Chief, NGB, and Chief Policy & Liaison Officer of the Bureau.

Originally a pre-war Inf Res officer, he had such varied wartime assignments as commanding a QM Trk Co during construction of the Alaska Highway; organizing and serving as Director of the Alaska Highway Patrol; commanding a separate QM Bn in Seventh Army, overseas, and "liaising" between Army Hq and attached French Army units. His post-war ANG assignments were as Wing A-4 and Air Base Group Commanding officer.

On the side, he golfs, somehow fits his frame into the confines of a Porsche sports car and says he doesn't mind it even on such jaunts as to Miami and New Orleans, and sports a lovely wife and three children.

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"The flag is up," signalling that the fishing boats, pleasure boats, military and civilian aircraft that have a habit of wandering into the danger zone, are out of the way, and it's safe for Btry C, 945 AAA Bn (AW) (Mbl) of the Delaware National Guard to cut loose over the Atlantic with one of its 40s near Ft Miles, Del.