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## JCS Devises Combat Troop Movement Plan

THE Defense Department has completed a top-level study pinpointing the "strategic" capabilities involved in moving U.S. combat troops into foreign trouble spots over the next five years.

Details of the plan were disclosed by the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, General Earle G. Wheeler, USA.

He said major unified commanders, the Services, the Single Managers and the Joint Staff all participated in the JCS study.

Entitled, "Strategic Movement Capabilities Plan for 1966 through 1970"—short title, MOVECAP—the study, General Wheeler said, "is a most comprehensive analysis of our ability to provide, move, and support combat forces in the most likely overseas

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## Army To Add New Division

THE Army will reactivate the 9th Infantry Division at Ft Riley, Kans., early next year. Formation of the unit will boost the total number of Active Army combat divisions from 16 to 17.

Announcement of the 9th's reactivation was made in a speech by Army Secretary Stanley R. Resor at the annual meeting of the Association of the U.S. Army in Washington. He also announced that the unit's commander will be MGen George S. Eckhardt, former Chief, ARMISH-MAAG, Iran, and, since September '65, CG at Ft Riley.

Total strength of the division will be approximately 15,000 men when the build-up is completed. The division will be built around a cadre of about 4000 experienced officers and NCO's, some returning from duty in Vietnam. Included in the cadre will be personnel

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## Services Act On Job Switch

By ROBERT G. McCLINTIC

SERVICE efforts to identify military billets to be filled by civilians are moving into high gear—with the Air Force and Marine Corps taking the lead.

The DoD-ordered civilian-military job switch is designed to place 60,000 Civil Service employees in jobs now held by 75,000 military personnel.

The Marines are far ahead of the other Services with plans to place 2,500 civilians in assignments now held by Leathernecks. Corps officials say they have identified all 2,800 military spaces affected by the switch, have started to hire the first 500 civilian employees, and will complete the

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## Navy "Selection Opportunities" Cited

THE officer "hump" problem in the Navy is approaching the stage where it is about to exert "maximum impact" on the promotion of captains to the rank of rear admiral.

Deputy Secretary of Defense Cyrus Vance has disclosed that Navy

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## 36 In Army Win Major General Rank

THE President has nominated 36 Army brigadier generals for promotion to major general. They will be promoted during calendar year '66.

At the same time, 42 other officers were nominated for permanent pro-

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## AF Selects 975 For Promotion To Colonel

THE Air Force has selected 975 officers for promotion to the rank of Colonel. They range in age from 38 to 56 and include both Line officers and officers of the staff components.

Eight hundred of the group will be promoted effective 1 November. The remaining 175 will receive their new rank in monthly increments as vacancies occur. All will be promoted by the end of the current fiscal year.

Youngest officer on the list is LCol Robert E. Pursley.

Breakdown for those receiving immediate promotion includes: Line AF numbers 1-755, ending with Gordon W. Vikan; Chaplain Corps numbers 1-10, ending with Joseph P. Casey; Dental Corps numbers 1-8, ending

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# New Army Division

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Formerly assigned to the First Infantry Division, but who remained at Ft Riley when that unit deployed to Vietnam.

Balance of the division's strength will come from first-term enlistees and inductees. These men will receive all of their training—eight weeks of basic and eight weeks of advanced individual training—from the 9th Division cadre at Ft Riley.

Officials say the most striking feature of the unit's reactivation is the use of "in-unit" training, where new men receive training from officers and NCO's who will command them as a unit. Since the Korean War, most recruits have been trained at special centers—Ft Dix, N.J., and Ft Ord, Calif., for example—and then assigned to regular Army units. When the Army is used "in-unit" training in the past, it has proved highly effective.

The new division will be organized under the ROAD concept and will consist of nine maneuver battalions, an air-transport-equipped cavalry squadron, an engineer battalion, and a division artillery consisting of three 105mm howitzer battalions, one composite 5mm and eight inch howitzer battalion, and one Honest John missile battalion.

The Army said the 9th will not be a "light" division, but will have a full complement of armor, artillery and aviation. Also, the division will not be "area oriented" to any specific geographic location such as SE Asia or the Middle East in America, but will be trained to meet contingencies throughout the world.

Army officials did not say when the division will be fully manned or when it will be completely equipped.

Once completed, reactivation of the division will bring to 17 the number of combat divisions. Early in '61 the Army had only 11 such divisions, but later that year, three training divisions were made combat-ready, bringing the total to 14. In January '62, two more units—the First Armored and First Infantry (Mechanized) Divisions—were added to the combat force.

The 9th originally was organized in 1918 at Camp Sheridan, Ala., but

## GENERAL ECKHARDT



COMMANDER of the reactivated 9th Infantry Division at Ft Riley, Kans., is MGen George S. Eckhardt, 53, a Kansan by birth, and a USMA '35 graduate.

For General Eckhardt, duty as chief of the Army's 17th combat-ready division follows a three-year tour as Chief, ARMISH-MAAG, in Iran. From '62 to August '65, he helped guide Iranian defense capabilities to a high state of readiness. Iranian forces are now equipped with such modern weapons as M-60 tanks and Northrop F-5 jet fighters.

Since returning from Iran in August, he has served as CG, Ft Riley. He originally was slated to command an air defense region on his return to CONUS, but as reported in THE JOURNAL (28 August), he was diverted to Riley to await command of the Army's reactivated division.

Some of General Eckhardt's other assignments include a tour as a member of the first class at the Industrial College of the Armed Forces; duty as XO in the then new Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for International Security Affairs; and as Military Assistant to the Chairman, JCS.

Before assignment to Iran, he was Commander of the 35th Artillery Brigade (AD) at Ft Meade, Md.

He is married to the former Margaret Jay. They have two children, a daughter, Jay, and a son, George, jr.

did not see combat overseas in WWI. In August 1940, the division was reactivated at Ft Bragg, N.C., and subsequently saw combat in Tunisia, Sicily, Italy, Normandy, Northern France, Rhineland and Central Europe. Following WWII, it went through a series of de-activations and reactivations both in CONUS and Europe, until it was finally de-activated on 30 January 1960 at Ft Carson, Colo.

## MATS Personnel Chief

Col Edward P. Jones has been named to succeed BGen Sterling P. Bettinger as MATS Deputy CofS for Personnel at Scott AFB, Ill.

General Bettinger reports 1 Nov to Ent AFB, Colo., for new duties as director of Plans and Policy with the North American Air Defense Command. Colonel Jones arrived at Scott in July from McGuire AFB, N. J., where he was Vice Commander of the 1611th Air Transport Wing. Since that time he has been assistant to General Bettinger.

## Vietnam Awards

**MAJ EDWARD J. BRONARS**—awarded Silver Star for service as Senior Marine Advisor, Rung Sat Special Zone.

**COL CLYDE R. RUSSELL**—Manager, Industrial Operations and Assistant CofS, G-4, Ft. Bragg, N.C., has been awarded DSM for duty as Chief, Studies and Operations Group, MACV, in Saigon.

**LCOL ANTHONY C. SLEVACEK**—awarded the Air Medal for duty in RVN from December '63 to May '65. He is now assigned to G-3, U.S. Army, Pacific, Ft. Shafter, Hawaii.

**CDR ROBERT C. HESSOM**—presented Gold Star in lieu of second DFC for "extraordinary achievement" during combat flight against North Vietnam, while serving as CO, Attack Squadron 215.

**LCOL JAMES A. JOHNSON**—a student at the Industrial College of the Armed Forces, Washington, received first OLC to the Bronze Star for duty as Senior Army Advisor to the Deputy Chief of Engineers for Construction, Vietnam.

**CAPT JAMES C. RODENBERG**—awarded the Air Medal with OLC for duty in Vietnam. He is now assigned to Detachment 12, Central Air Rescue Center, Randolph AFB, Tex.

**LCDR JOSEPH A. MUKA, JR**—received DFC, for aerial flight as OIC of Light Photographic Squadron 63, USS Coral Sea, as did Maj Jerry J. Mitchell, USMC, and Lt(jg) Roy A. Zink of the same unit, for different missions.



**LINE LIAISON**—LCol Robert E. Oliver, USMC, Marine Corps Liaison Officer of the Army Munitions Command, Dover, N. J., has his new rank pinned on by F. A. Hansen, CG of the Munitions Command, and Mrs Oliver.