


Among the 12,000 men who participated in the largest and most extensive training exercise since World War II was Carl J. Goers, electronics technician second class, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur W. Goers of 22405 Corn, aboard the destroyer tender USS Piedmont.

The exercise was code-named DESTRAEX and the units involved made up Task Force 12. A unit of the First Fleet, the Task Force consisted of two cruisers, fifteen destroyers, four submarines, two destroyer tenders and a fleet oiler.

A visit to Seattle was a breath of fresh air for the Task Force. The 24-ship armada, joined by 12 destroyer escorts from the 11th, 12th and 13th Naval District, paraded single file over a 12-mile course along the shores of Elliott Bay as a part of the Seattle Sea Fair.

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for public fishing sites, forest management, and its watershed development.

William J. Pearson, Boyne Falls, Michigan's first fire warden and later member of a Conservation Commission, once said that a "normal year's" loss from forest fires was about 250,000 acres. This year's loss is 5,105 acres from 801 fires. The department's tower watch, air and forest patrols, all with radio communication, locate fires before they do much damage.

Every year more road signs are seen saying "Public Fishing Site" an important part of the department's program. Parking and boat launching facilities provide free access to lakes and streams and reduces trespassing problems for nearby land owners.

Riverbanks are now protected in the watershed program. This prevents cattle from killing plants along riverbanks and reduces soil erosion. Dirt washed into the river is wasted. Where it covers natural food sources for fish. Work with riverbanks was done along the Rifle River, the Pine River and is under consideration for several others.

Trees are cut for lumber market under the forest management program. The department auctions off the right to harvest mature timber from the 4 million acres of state forests. Trees are taken selectively, only when ready; and at a rate which will perpetuate Michigan woodland.


Parks and Figures: nearly 1,500 people make up the department's regular staff. This sum swells to 2,100 during the summer when life guards, fire watchers, fish crews and other temporary workers must be added.

It costs more than \$11 million annually to operate the department. About \$7,200,000 come from fishing and hunting licenses; \$2,535,206 were sold last year, more than any other state. Balance of the budget comes from \$250,000 in federal grants and \$4,190,000 from the state.

Money is kept in separate funds. The appropriate appropriation by the state is used only on programs of general public interest. This includes forest care, geological surveys, parks and the like. Sportsmen support their own activities through the fund made up of license fees.

Organized in 1921, Michigan's Conservation Department is controlled by a commission which has been, for the most part, free of political influence. Currently a battle has been raging concerning one commission chair. It is that of Harold Gussen, whose term expires this year. The Governor appointed Ben East, well

**Brothers-In-Law Now In Service**



PVT FREDERICK D. STEVENS

Two brothers-in-law from the Farmington area are seeing service with the Signal Corps and the 11th Airborne Division.

Pvt. Frederick D. Stevens, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Stevens of 32317 W. Eleven Mile Road, recently graduated from the airborne school at Fort Campbell, Kentucky, and is now taking an advanced course at the same base. Stevens attended Farmington High School before entering the Army six months ago.

Stevens' brother-in-law, Pvt. Robert Laurin, whose wife, Barbara, lives at 22313 W. Eleven Mile Road, recently graduated as a radio repairman with the Signal Corps and sent to Europe several weeks ago. Laurin has been in the Army for about two years.

**State Distributes Game Licenses**

Distribution of more than 1.5 million hunting and trapping licenses and permits started last week from the conservation department's offices here and will be available to hunters through any of the state's 4,000 authorized dealers by September 15.

Resident small game licenses—\$50,000 of them—provide the bulk of the big mailing job from the central office in Lansing. The remainder includes 550,000 resident and 20,000 non-resident deer licenses, 60,000 resident and 10,000 non-resident archery licenses, 20,000 non-resident hunting licenses, 45,000 trapping licenses and 5,000 camp deer permits.

Last year, 1,485,000 licenses of all types were mailed, of which about 1,186,000 were sold.

The increased mailing this year is being made on the basis of the average and normal increase in sales made each year.

Prices of the licenses remain the same as last year; a list of these is included in the game law digest, also available through license dealers.

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At today's parity prices, a dollar's worth of fertilizer on wheat will return \$4.15, on the average, to the farmer.

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Mrs. Herman Schuk of Shady-side Avenue has received the Purple Heart citation awarded to her son, Private Alfred Schult, recently wounded on the Korean front.

Carol Ann, a seven pound, two ounce baby girl, was born Tuesday, August 18. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Chamberlin of Birmingham. The Chamberlins formerly lived on Lilac Avenue in Farmington.

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