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3. Rights of Discharged Veterans under
 Selective Service and Training Act of 1940, as amended
 Servicemen's Dependents Allowance Act of 1942, as
 amended
 Mustering-Out Payment Act of 1944
 Servicemen's Readjustment Act of 1944 (popularly known
 as the G. I. Bill of Rights)
4. Income Tax Returns — problems re
 Individual Returns
 Farmers Returns
 Servicemen's Returns
 Changes from corporation to partnership, and vice versa
 Family partnerships
5. OPA Violations with reference to sales of:
 Farm machinery
 Used trucks
6. War Labor Board — Practice and Procedure
7. Federal Rules of Procedure
8. Pre-Trial Conferences

There are undoubtedly many other subjects in which members of the North Dakota Bar Association are interested. The Committee, therefore, wishes you would immediately write the undesigned Chairman and not only let him know which of the above subjects most appeals to you but also let me have your suggestions as to other subjects and also give me the names of members of our Bar whom you think would be able to handle not only the subjects above mentioned but also the subjects suggested by you.

The Committee sincerely hopes that each of you will respond promptly to this request so that it may determine the subjects to be selected for this year's meeting and arrange with the men who are to handle them so that everything will be in readiness well in advance of the meeting.

Yours very truly,
 ROY A. PLOYHAR
 Committee Chairman
 Valley City, North Dakota

MILITARY GOVERNMENT GENERAL COURT

Excerpt from a letter of Captain Lynn G. Grimson:

"Had a very interesting day yesterday, in the law business again. I mentioned in my last letter, I believe, a Military Government General Court trial I had attended. It was only partly tried that day, about half of the prosecution's case was presented. Yesterday the case was to be finished, and the officer presenting the prosecution was unavailable, so they called me at 10:00 in the morning and I had to take over and finish it up. The Court rules are a little different from the Courts Martial rules, and be-

tween 10 and 2 I had to familiarize myself with both the rules and the evidence — both what had been presented and what was left. I talked to all the witnesses after having studied the papers in the case, and we got started. It seemed to go fairly well, and the Court found the young man guilty of all charges except one that was based on hearsay evidence only. Their sentence was the one I asked for in argument, so I feel reasonably well satisfied.

The Court rules are interesting — based somewhat on the European Court systems. The witness stands—the dignity of the Court is upheld at all times. The Court can examine the accused at the time of arraignment — and the accused if he makes a statement at all is not sworn. Hearsay evidence is allowed, with the weight to be accorded it a matter for the Court. The dossier — an investigation record, is given to the court before trial as an outline of the case, but is not to be considered as evidence. It is all very interesting. And it was nice to be in on the trial. I think it was the first General Military Government Court.”

FIFTH AIR FORCE, PHILIPPINE ISLANDS

Albert N. Kuhfeld, Staff Judge Advocate with the Fifth Air Force in the Philippine Islands, was recently promoted to the rank of Lieutenant Colonel. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Kuhfeld, 891 Tuscarora avenue in St. Paul.

The colonel, who has been overseas for the last 20 months, participated in the Papuan, New Guinea and East Indies campaigns and wears the Asiatic-Pacific Ribbon with Bronze Stars for this action. A reserve officer since 1926, he was called to active duty in March, 1942.

Colonel Kuhfeld received his law degree from the University of Minnesota and was appointed to the Attorney General's staff. Prior to his entrance in the service, he served as chairman and chief advisor for the North Dakota Code Revision Commission.

He makes his home with his wife, Mrs. Olive Kuhfeld, in Beach, North Dakota.

FROM HERE AND THERE

By Wm. G. Owens, President

By the way the lawyers are writing in comments, suggestions and contributions we suspect they are reading "Bar Briefs." We suspect that the members want a good periodical as a medium of exchange of news and ideas. We can have it if you are interested. Should eight pages not suffice we'll try to print more, so let's "hear" what you have to say. It's good to have your comments, good, bad or indifferent.

The public press gives us the news that some government would-be authority rules no more conventions of more than fifty people. If that be the orders and remains effective will it mean that we must not gather for our annual State Bar session? Maybe