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# HAWAII GUARD'S SERVICES ARE FIRST OFFERED

"Baker, Secretary of War:

"Washington D. C.:

"The National Guard of Hawaii now offers its services for such immediate assignment as the war department deems the present exigencies require.

"PINKHAM,"

"Governor and Commander-in-Chief."

Shortly after Adj.-gen. Samuel I. Johnson was informed this morning by the Star-Bulletin that President Wilson had called out militias of the three border states of Texas, New Mexico and Arizona, he went over to the Capitol building for a conference with Governor Pinkham.

When the conference had ended the foregoing cablegram was forwarded to the cable office for transmission to Washington, testimony to the fact that Hawaii's guard is ready and willing to answer any call the heads of the nation may put to it.

Guard officers here point out that while the men are ready and willing to go, it is not likely that the military policy at Washington would favor calling out the guard from this island for duty on the mainland, though

news of this sort would bring rejoicing to many guardsmen here.

News that the President had called out the militia of three states caused various bits of speculation at army and guard headquarters today. It is the general belief that the troops under this call will not cross the line and go into the interior of Mexico, but will rather be used for border duty, being stationed along the line in small towns and relieving the regulars who have been there and who will be needed on the first line.

At the last official guard census Arizona had 806 men in the guard, of whom 492 were present at federal inspection. Texas had 2956, of whom 1729 were present, and New Mexico had present 513 out of a total of 1729. It is pointed out that Hawaii had approximately 4500 present for inspection out of a total of 5000.

## CAPT. HARTSHORN WILL HELP JUDGE CONTESTS

Capt. Edwin S. Hartshorn, 2nd Infantry, is the third army officer named on the committee of three to act as judges at the military tournament next Sunday at the Capitol grounds, in which all of the companies of the 1st Infantry, National Guard, will contest for the finals to be held in June. The committee is now complete, the other two judges, as announced a few days ago being Capt. Paul B. Malone and Maj. Michael J. Lenihan.