



# WARDEN'S GAZETTE

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## Calling all Wardens.

What a lot of good pals we have met in this A.R.P. business.

Speaking for myself I have thoroughly enjoyed the new contacts I have made with my neighbours. I have a hundred friends in Burnaby where I had one before.

Do you feel that way about it too? Do you feel with me that this comradeship must not be allowed to die?

At a recent meeting of the Controller's Association, Mr. Maffio, the Nanaimo Controller, said that we were like a Service Club, and Civil Defence had what no other Service Club could offer, namely, Protection for the public in war or peace. In the event of disaster we have a Casualty and Warden Service, we have an Auxiliary Fire Service, with the Red Cross we have a disaster relief service, which all combined gives the public extra protection and aid.

United we are doing our job in war for the protection of our fellow citizens. United we can do our share in making a better world after the war -- so let's stay UNITED!

The Warden Service is a Brotherhood that you should be proud to belong to. A brotherhood dedicated to Service NOT self--a darn good bunch of fellows it's a pleasure to be associated with. At present we have a tough job to get on with, we meet with a certain amount of indifference, there are many who think us unnecessary. But the Warden knows that his Government thinks him of sufficient importance to warrant the expenditure of some hundreds of thousands of dollars. He knows that in the event of a raid he will be "the saviour of his country" and who can tell what the morrow will bring forth.

In the newspapers of Oct. 21st I read that the Congressmen had a meeting with the U.S. Chief of Staff. It was held in camera, but news reporters said that they "left the meeting with sobered countenances". The picture wasn't as rosy as they thought it was. It was rather alarming to be told that in spite of their losses the Jap airforce was stronger than ever, that the Jap was building planes faster than we can destroy them.

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### CIVIL DEFENCE EFFICIENCY BADGE

This badge will denote the Warden with at least six months service who has passed his Basic Training. It is a handsome badge made by the same firm who makes the gold thread Navy badges, a "C.D." surmounted by a crown mounted on a felt background, it is a replica of the British C.D. badge, and will be worn on the left hand pocket below your service ribbons. (Yes, those of you old sweats who have them can put up your service ribbons now). The badge will be issued from these H.Q.'s as a token of appreciation for your efforts to make yourself an efficient Warden.

For those who have not yet had an opportunity to pass their Basic Training a new paper will be drawn up and the exam held in the week beginning Nov. 8. The first two meetings this winter (see syllabus) will be refresher courses for Basic Training with the exam held the second meeting. All newly enrolled personnel will take the same training and by next March should have absorbed enough to take the next Basic Training exam.

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## UNIFORMS FOR ALL WARDENS

Every Warden should now be supplied with a uniform. If you have not got yours yet you had better get after your District Warden as "First come -- better fitted". Burnaby was fortunate enough to get sufficient BLUE uniforms for the Warden Service. As your Chief Warden I was anxious to have the Service garbed alike, and not have some wearing blue and some wearing khaki. Khaki uniforms are all that can be obtained now, and they will be kept for the Auxiliary Fire and Casualty Services and the Engineers. Its too bad we didn't have these two years ago, but better late than never. We can puff out our chests now and feel that we belong to something at last.

### New Rank Badges Approved

The following insignia have been authorized and will be worn on coveralls only.

Deputy Post Warden	Two chevrons	price 15¢
Post Warden	Three chevrons	" 25¢
Deputy District Warden	Three chevrons and star	" 70¢

The above are to be worn on the upper right sleeve midway between shoulder and elbow.

The following ranks will wear insignia as designated, across the shoulder straps. The bars will be of gold braid.

Dist. Officers of all Services	1 bar 2" long $\frac{1}{4}$ " wide
Dep. Div. Off. " " "	1 bar $\frac{1}{4}$ " wide above 1 bar $\frac{1}{2}$ " wide
Div. Officers " " "	2 bars $\frac{1}{2}$ " wide
Division Directors and Chiefs of Services )	(1 bar $\frac{1}{4}$ " wide between 2 bars $\frac{1}{2}$ " (wide

A coloured shoulder patch (similar to Army Division patches) may also be worn on both sleeves 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ " below shoulder seam. This patch will be diamond in shape (2 $\frac{1}{2}$ " vertical and 2" horizontal) approximate cost 10¢ per pair.

Colours have been allotted as follows:

Vancouver	Red	Westminster	Purple
Burnaby	Green (gold bar)	Surrey	White & Red
North Vancouver	Orange	University	Blue & Gold

UNIFORMS SHOULD BE WORN AT ALL MEETINGS, especially as the new training programme may necessitate you getting down on your knees occasionally (that will be a fresh experience for some of you blokes). It is too bad that the Government have no berets to issue with the coveralls, as a "tin" hat is not the most comfortable headgear to wear to meetings and a civvy hat would look like ----. Some of you old 2nd Division vets may have dark blue berets, the remainder of us can probably buy them at some of the down town stores for very little. By the way, all Wardens should have their steel helmets, it is no longer necessary for two to get under one tin hat. Of course if you haven't been attending meetings you may not have yours yet.

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### USE MESSENGERS TO DISTRIBUTE BULLETINS

The A.R.P. Bulletin which is published in Ottawa is circulated by us to each District Warden with sufficient copies for every Warden. The District Warden should use messengers to take them to Posts. The Post Warden should then use his post messenger to deliver a copy to every Warden. Keep your Wardens interested by seeing that they are kept informed. Many Wardens through swing shifts etc. are really unable to be regular at District meetings but see that they are kept up to date by means of the "literature" we send you.

Attend your training meetings. Wearing a tin hat does not make you a Warden -- its what you have underneath it that counts.