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The Department of the Army announces with deep regret the death of GENERAL JOHN LEONARD HINES, former Chief of Staff, United States Army, which occurred at Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D.C., on Sunday, 13 October 1968.

Throughout his long career in the United States Army, GENERAL HINES proved himself a leader of untiring zeal and outstanding merit.

GENERAL HINES was born at White Sulphur Springs, West Virginia, on 21 May 1868. He entered the United States Military Academy on 1 September 1887, and was graduated and commissioned a second lieutenant of Infantry on 12 June 1891. He advanced through all the grades and was appointed a major general on 26 August 1918. He retired on 31 May 1932, and by a Special Act of Congress was advanced to general, retired, on 15 June 1940.

GENERAL HINES served in the Spanish-American War, 1898. He participated in the Santiago Campaign, served at Cienfuegos, Cuba, during the occupation until 1900, and participated in the Philippine Insurrection from January to September 1901. After further service in the Philippine Islands, he was detailed to the Quartermaster Department, serving successively as constructing quartermaster, as Chief Quartermaster at the Mount Gretna, Pennsylvania, Maneuver Camp, as Chief Quartermaster at the Jamestown Exposition in 1907, as Acting Chief Quartermaster of the Department of the Missouri, and Depot Quartermaster at Nagasaki, Japan. Following a further period of duty with troops, he was detailed in The Adjutant General's Department in 1914, serving in turn at Headquarters of the Eastern Department, as Adjutant General of the Punitive Expedition into Mexico in pursuit of Villa, and for a time as chief of staff of that expedition.

During the first World War, GENERAL HINES was assigned as Assistant Adjutant General of the American Expeditionary Forces until October 1917. He commanded the 16th Infantry Regiment of the 1st Division during the operation in the Anseauville Sector, and the 1st Brigade of the 1st Division during the operations in the Cantigny Sector, the Montdidier defensive, and the Aisne-Marne defensive. He assumed command of the 4th Division in the Battle of St. Mihiel and during part of the Meuse-Argonne offensive. During the closing stages of that offensive, he commanded the III Army Corps.

Upon his return to the United States in 1919, he held successively the commands of the 4th, 5th, and 2nd Divisions and of the Eighth Corps Area. He was Deputy

Chief of Staff, United States Army, from 5 December 1922 until 13 September 1924 and Chief of Staff, United States Army, from 14 September 1924 until 20 November 1926. From then until September 1930, he commanded the Ninth Corps Area and then took command of the Philippine Department.

General Hines was awarded the Distinguished Service Cross, the Distinguished Service Medal, the Silver Star, and the following foreign decorations: Commander of the Order of Leopold (Belgium), Knight Commander of the Legion of Honor (France), Croix de Guerre with Palm (France), Grand Cross of the Royal Order of Cambodia (France), Grand Officer of the Order of the Crown (Italy), Medal of La Solidaridad (Second Class) (Panama), and the Knight Commander of the Order of St. Michael and St. George (Great Britain).

He also received the following service medals: Spanish Campaign Medal, Philippine Campaign Medal, Army of Cuban Occupation Medal, Mexican Service Medal, Mexican Border National Guard Medal, World War I Victory Medal with battle clasps for Montdidier-Noyon, Aisne-Marne, St. Mihiel, Meuse-Argonne, Defensive Sector, and the Army of Occupation of Germany Medal (World War I).

As a mark of respect to the memory of General Hines, the National Flag will be displayed at half-staff on all installations under the control of the Department of the Army on day of death, 13 October 1968, until retreat on day of burial, 16 October 1968, at Arlington National Cemetery.

The Commanding General, Military District of Washington, United States Army, will render appropriate honors.

By Order of the Secretary of the Army:

W. C. WESTMORELAND,
General, United States Army,
Chief of Staff.

Official:
KENNETH G. WICKHAM,
Major General, United States Army,
The Adjutant General.