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History of Adair?

Ordinarily, history is considered as a thing spanning a long period of time. Therefore, it might at first blush seem presumptuous to speak of the history of Camp Adair, which the *Sentry* this week begins on page 7.

Yet, in the brief span since plans for this Post were first laid out and placed in the archives in 1941, to be resurrected actively in 1942, Camp Adair has been a historic phase and influence in the lives of many thousands of men and their families.

Personally, it has been our conviction, based purely on observation, that for far the greater percent it will have proved, in the long-range analyses, a good influence.

If figures were obtainable there appears to be little doubt that from one of the greatest standpoints, health, men who have been stationed at Adair for training or as a permanent duty are physically better specimens than they were before they received their greetings from Uncle, and swapped mufti for ODs and fatigues; swapped comparatively irregular hours for a fair routine (discount bivouacs); swapped, in many cases, vagrant eating habits for supervised chow (with or without the griping).

It will be difficult to do full justice to Adair's history. We can only touch in a passing way on all that has happened. But we can pay our small tribute to the Divisions which have been activated here—the 96th, the Timberwolf, the Trailblazer—to the 91st, which was here for a time—to the numerous special troop units which have been here—to the original and present personnel of SCU, which has performed a commendable duty in the Post administration.

Whatever the history of Adair may offer, we will try to make it factually interesting. The *Sentry* is glad of the opportunity to present it.

Limited ASTP Schools Again Open To All GIs Not Now in the Infantry

By Camp Newspaper Service

The doors to the Army Specialized Training Program—slammed shut to most GIs since early this year—now stand ajar once more for men in several fields.

The War Department in a recent circular (WD Cir. 184) has authorized the selection of trainees for the ASTP from troop units, except the Infantry, to the extent of one-fourth of one per cent each month from each unit. This means that enlisted men who want to apply for ASTP training will have that opportunity once again, providing they are qualified.

Those interested should submit to their regimental, separate battalion or similar unit commander a written application accompanied by evidence (including a transcript of college credits) of their qualifications. Upon approval by the CO, the application will be forwarded to the STAR Board, University of Illinois, Champaign, Ill.

Action on these applications will be completed within 30 days after their submission. The board will then return approved and disapproved applications to the COs together with a request for the transfer of approved candidates. That's all there is to it.

In order to apply for this training, candidates must have these qualifications:

For Term 4, Engineering, candidates must have an AGCT of 115 or more, one year of college or more, mathematics to include differential calculus, a year of college physics, and must not be over 21 years of age.

For Term 4, Area and Language candidates must have an AGCT of 130 or more, two years of college or more, a desire to study a foreign language, and must not be over 29

years old.
For Term 9A, qualifications include an AGCT of 125 or more, a graduate degree in civil, mechanical, electrical, chemical, petroleum or sanitary engineering and, if not a graduate within the last five years, the candidate must have been actively engaged in an engineering or allied technical field prior to his entrance in the Army.

For Term 9L, an AGCT of 130 or more is necessary. The candidate must be a college graduate and have a fluent speaking knowledge of Japanese, German, or French.

Candidates will be transferred in grade except for T/4s and T/5s whose appointments will be terminated. In the event that an applicant is alerted for overseas movement as a member of a unit or an individual while his application is in progress, he will become ineligible for participation in the ASTP. Men transferred to the ASTP will be subject to assignment by the War Department upon completion of the course for which they are selected.

Question Box; WAC Answers

Q. I've heard there are limitations on the jobs can hold. Do WACs have only a few jobs?

A. There are no combat jobs for WACs in any branch. They can hold any job having suitable environment and working conditions, which is not beyond their physical strength or endurance—assuming, of course, that they have met the usual qualifications required of any soldier for the specific job.

It's A Great Life By T-5 Lynch Notes From a Soldier's Sketch Book



"That's the trouble with you damn Easterners: You think we're all savages out here!"

XCHANGE CERPTS

Individual concealment: A pretty young girl was walking in the woods and decided to take a dip in the lake. She undressed and hung up her clothes on a tree. In a short time she spied an officer coming in that direction so she hid behind the nearest tree. He marched up to her and called out, "Camouflage company, dismissed." And all the trees marched off.
—Belvoir Castle.

Three soldiers entering a roadside bar, looked cautiously around, and approached the bartender who stood waiting for their orders.
"I'll have a coke," said the first.
The bartender looked at the next man on the stool.
"I'll take orangeade," was the quiet and dignified request.
Disgust written on his face, the bartender looked at the third man.
"Just a glass of water," he ordered, "I'm driving."

A couple of GIs, enjoying their first furlough in six months, bumped into each other in the Big City. "Did you get a room all right?" one of them asked. "What do I want with a room!" exclaimed the other. "I'm only gonna be here for three days."

Attending a movie at one of the New York "picture palaces," a soldier was taken in hand by a reluctant usher who led him skyward ramp after ramp to the top balcony, where he stopped and pointed upward into the darkness: "You'll have to find a seat up there somewhere. This is as far as I go. Above this level my nose bleeds." —Horned Toad.

To avoid that run-down feeling—cross streets carefully.

Gal: "I practically exhausted myself getting into this tight gown."

Soldier: "You don't look all in."
Gal: "Omigosh, where?" —The Range Finder.

Bridge in Berchtesgaden
The Axis partners were playing bridge in Hitler's mountain retreat. "Three diamonds," said Goering. "Four spades," said Goebbels. "Five diamonds," said Von Ribbentrop.
"One club," said the Fuehrer. "Pass."
"Pass."
"Pass."

"May I have another cake?"
"Another cake what?"
"Another cake, please."
"Please what?"
"Please, mother."
"Please mother what?"
"Please, mother, dear."
"Hell, no, child! You've had two already."



Yesterday in your most welcome paper in the upper left hand corner of page 8 the headings of the pictures didn't seem to fit the pictures . . . One of the other fellows got his paper, and in this one they were in the right positions.

The paper I have seems to be the only one which has the pictures in the wrong place.—Pvt. Billy Jones, Co. C, 370th Medics.

(Editor's note: No, Pvt. Jones, they "shore" didn't quite fit and your's wasn't the only paper. The mistake was caught, but a few papers got away from us, as several dozen phone calls, et al, indicated. The *Sentry* regrets the error.)

ANSWER BOX

Q. Can you give me some dope on the Armed Forces Institute's "accreditation" service, whereby soldiers can be aided in securing post-war employment in the Federal Civil Service?

A. Well, in a nutshell, this service is conducted by the AFI to help GIs who are seeking Civil Service jobs. By putting their Army training or experience on record now, veterans who later apply for Federal jobs will be able to receive full credit, in appropriate Civil Service exams, for skills acquired in the armed forces. To be accredited, these skills need not be acquired in connection with an Institute course but may be the result of any Army training or experience. For more data on this service, write to the Armed Forces Institute, Madison, Wis.

The World This Week Continued From Page 1

and missing since the initial landings. Allied headquarters revealed that Allied casualties for the first two weeks of the invasion were, total killed, wounded and missing 40,549—of which 24,162 were Americans. Three thousand and eighty-two Americans were killed . . .

AMERICANS COMPLETED THE CONQUEST of Cherbourg and General Montgomery opened the next phase of the invasion battle. In what may be the first lap of the march on Paris, British troops stormed forward on the Caen-Bayeux front under cover of artillery barrage, plugged through the widening gap in the Nazis' Normandy line, captured Trouville and clamped a siege arc nearly two-thirds of the way around Caen. American troops fanned out from captured Cherbourg to wipe out the few remaining pockets of Nazi resistance at the northern tip of the peninsula. Meanwhile Allied engineers started the restoration of Cherbourg's wrecked docks to handle the flow of Allied supplies and reinforcements . . .

AMERICAN FLYING FORTRESSES completed a double-shuttle raid from Britain to Russia and thence to Italy, landing at Italian airbases after hitting Berlin and then hammering Balkan oil targets on the trip from Russia to the Mediterranean. British bombers swept over northern France, hitting important rail centers, airfields, and other military installations. The RAF pounded the German cities of Hamburg, Bremen, Giettingen and the Ruhr valley. Anti-aircraft batteries made substantial success in destroying robot bombs while heavies hit Nazi rocket bases on the French coast . . .

RUSSIA BEGAN THE LONG AWAITED SUMMER OFFENSIVE, starting a large scale attack along a 100-mile front in White Russia. The road to Minsk lies open to four Red armies pounding west on the heels of the fleeing Nazis—the objective of the new offensive pointing to Berlin. Soviet troops captured Vitebsk and Zhlobin, north and south anchors of the Fatherland line in White Russia and have surrounded Orsha and Mogilev—which appear on the point of capture . . .

IN ITALY, Allied forces continued to sweep northward. Americans captured Roccastrada, opening the way to the key road junction of Siena; Piombo, 120 miles beyond Rome, and San Vincenzo, 32 miles below the port of Livorno. On the Adriatic, British troops moved north to capture Fermo while others smashed through the center of the German line beyond Perugia to capture the inland city of Chiusi . . .

AMERICANS ON SAIPAN ISLAND in the Marianas crushed Jap resistance on Mt. Topotchan and are using flame throwers to clean out the nests of Japanese on the island. The series of battles fought between the Marianas and the Philippines, June 20-23 in connection with the invasion of Saipan, have cost the Japanese 747 airplanes, 30 ships and 13 barges. Lang-based bombers again attacked Paramushiro and Shumushu in the Kuriles . . . In the Far East, Allied planes struck heavily at Port Blair in the southern Andaman islands southeast of India, damaging Jap installations. Another major base in Burma was knocked out with the Allied capture of Mogaung after a three-day assault.