

Promotions

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Butera, Jr., Bernard F. Cobb, Cecil Glasscock, Charles H. Hughes, Frank J. Kollar, George H. Arthur, Hubert A. Bradley, Anthony C. Bushner, Harry R. Burmworth, Lloyd F. Church, John F. Gallagher, Robert C. Hagopian, Theodore A. Ingraham, Henry J. Martin, James E. McFee, Archie T. Stone, Vincent J. Monahan, Anthony J. Morocco and Howard J. Walter. Also Pvt. Ivan W. Flye, Edward H. Groot, Charles W. Hoop, Robert H. Hall, Robert K. Harro, James W. Pace, Samuel Sandrof, Thomas S. Vandeford, Joseph C.G. Williams, Harry Hemmendinger, John P. Martin, Morris Olshonsky, Joseph A. Finzone, Bernard A. Tinsley, Jules L. Weizer and Warren L. Frank.

Those of the squadron who failed to make the jump in grade, along with their buddies, were given solace and an extra added incentive to keep on plugging by a little speech delivered by Commanding Officer Major Hagan.

LAWYERS

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each class on recommendations of The Advocate General, may be promoted immediately to the rank of first lieutenant.

Applicants for the school will be processed and selected in a manner similar to those entering other officer candidate schools, except that at The Judge Advocate General will pass finally on each application.

To be eligible for entrance into the school a soldier must have completed his basic training, he must be 28 years of age or older, and must have gotten his law degree at a recognized institution. Those applicants with four or more years of general practice will be given a preference although it is stressed that this is not an essential requirement.

"Room Service"

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on Broadway for a year and a half, and also made a movie which showed in theaters all over the nation.

Chaplains Drawn

From Army Ranks

In line with the Army's policy of filling its officer requirements from its own ranks wherever possible, and announcement is made which will draw a number of Chaplains from the ranks.

Military personnel, enlisted men, as well as officers, who were ordained ministers serving with congregations at the time of their entry into the Army, and who measure up to the Army's qualifications for Chaplains, are now being given appointments on their application to the Chaplain's Corps. About twenty have already been appointed.



Army Halts Discharges For Men 38 and Over

Discharges for Seymour Johnson Field men over 38 years of age made after April 1 are being halted. Headquarters announced this week.

Army lines stated that provision was made that a man over 38 could be transferred to an inactive status in the Enlisted Reserve Corps in order to enter an essential industry.

This information had not been confirmed at this station when the AIR-O-MECH went to press.

MAN OF THE WEEK



The vocation of music has not only carried Cpl Anthony Trotto up and down the scale of music, but has also taken him around the world a couple of times. Having a musical record that would take a book to describe, Cpl Trotto is known throughout the Nation and also in many parts of the world.

At the age of 11, Trotto was already learning to play the three octaves of the clarinet, and at the age of 13 he was playing professionally. From a very early age he studied music, and after graduating high school, he attended the Universities of Minnesota, Northwestern and Columbia where he excelled in the study of composition, conducting and the theory of harmony.

At the present age of 29, Trotto has a past that is an asset to be proud of. He has played with the best Symphony Orchestras in the country, - including the Minnesota Symphony, the Chicago Symphony and the New York Metropolitan Opera Co. In the state of Minnesota, Tony served as music supervisor for the Recreation Project. He was assistant director of the band at Northwestern University and almost all the music played during the "All Star" football games was written by Cpl Trotto. Prior to his induction, he was directing the Waukegan Municipal Band consisting of 65 men.

Cpl Trotto also plays "hot" music, having played with Paul Whiteman's Band for 14 months; he has filled in with Dick Jurgens and many other top-notch orchestras. At the present time he plays with the post "Dixielanders" and the regular post band - besides writing musical arrangements for the radio broadcast.

In 1933, Trotto circled the globe twice with a campus band, performing at London, Rome and hundreds of other large cities in the world.

Although the clarinet is his favorite instrument, Tony also plays nine other reed instruments and has studied almost all that are used in a regular musical score.

HITLER WANTS MORE TERRITORY.
LET'S GIVE HIM HELL!

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T/Sgt Anthony T. Fraune, T/Sgt Robert L. Barg, S/Sgt Donald J. Mineau, S/Sgt Clive A. Lynn, S/Sgt Donald Van Robertson, PFC Harry C. Bosvik, PFC Giosue A. Grillo, PFC Arthur Hoffman, PFC William A. Sellon and Pvt Isaac Pilosoff.



Passover

Jewish soldiers at Seymour Johnson Field will have an opportunity of celebrating the Passover holidays as they would in their own homes. The Sedar with the traditional sacramental wine and feast will be conducted by Chaplain Goldberg in Mess Hall No. 5.

Mr. Herman Levin, the Jewish Welfare Board representative with the U.S.O. in Goldsboro, with the cooperation of the Goldsboro community members will see that every man has an opportunity of observing this festive occasion.

The local community members have contributed \$1000 to help defray expenses of the elaborate Sedar supper being prepared.

Those men of Jewish faith desiring to attend the Sedar Supper must communicate with Mr. Levin at the U.S.O. Club if they have not already filled out the invitation card which was distributed throughout the Air Base. Suppers and services have been arranged to take care of all shifts.

The schedule is as follows:
Monday, April 19: 1900, 2030, 2200 and 0015.
Tuesday, April 20: 1900, 2030, 2200 and 0015.

REORGANIZED

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Creation of a more cohesive organization within these headquarters Delegation of greater responsibility to field commanders.

Reduction in personnel of headquarters staffs in Washington. Officers of headquarters are reduced from 25 to 13. There will be only six major components of the Air Staff, instead of 13 as formerly. The Special Staff offices are increased from four to five.

The headquarters staff of Gen. Henry H. Arnold, commanding general Army Air Forces under the new organization is as follows:

Chief of Air Staff: Maj. Gen. T. J. Hanley, Brig. Gen. Laverno Saunders, Brig. Gen. William E. Hall.

Six Assistant Chiefs of Air Staff: Maj. Gen. Oliver P. Echols (Material, Maintenance and Distribution), Maj. Gen. Barney McK. Giles (Operations, Commitments and Requirements), Brig. Gen. O. A. Anderson (Plans), Brig. Gen. R. W. Harper (Training), Brig. Gen. J. H. Bevans (Personnel) and Col. E. P. Sorenson (Intelligence).

DECENTRALIZED

Henceforth there has been a centralized organization within headquarters in Washington to which many undertakings flowed for decision. Under the new set-up, components in the field will be told what to do, but not how to do it.

Under the new organization, all control continues to stem from the commanding general, Army Air Forces and all responsibility to devolve upon him. The commanding general serves as a member of the Joint U.S. Chiefs of Staff and Combined Chiefs

of Staff, as chairman of the Joint Aircraft Committee and participates in formulating and executing policies and plans concerning the strategic conduct of the war, program of requirements, allocation of munition resources and requirements for overseas transportation based on approved strategic policy and priority.

The Chief of Air Staff executes the commanding general's orders, acts for the commanding general in his temporary absence, directs, supervises and coordinates the activities of the Air Staff, Special Staff and Commands.

The Chief of Air Staff formerly was assisted in the performance of his duties by only one deputy chief Brig. Gen. T. J. Hanley. Under the new organization there will be three deputy chiefs.

Newly established are the offices of the six assistant chiefs of Air Staff. They replace and absorb, in new alignments, the functions of the classic military staff divisions of A-1, A-2, A-3, and A-4, and of the assistant chiefs for Operational Plans and for Program Planning.

The Office of the Chief of Management Control, which formerly was a component of the Air Staff now is an agency directly under the Chief of Air Staff and continues to be headed by Col. Bryon E. Gates.

NEW OFFICE

A new office of Special Projects has been created, headed by Col. F. Trubee Davison, former Assistant Chief of Air Staff, A-1.

A new command, Army Air Forces Flight Control Command, has been formed. It will absorb the functions of the former Directorate of Air Traffic and Safety, the Army Air Forces Communications Services, and the Army Air Forces Weather Services. It will be commanded by Col. Samuel R. Harris, formerly director of Air Traffic and Safety.

Maj. Gen. Follet Bradley, who has been on special duty with headquarters, Army Air Forces becomes Air Inspector.

Successing General Echols as commanding general, Materiel Command is Brig. Gen. Charles J. Bradshaw, formerly Supervisor, Western Procurement District, Materiel Command.

Mural

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You won't be limited to subject just as long as it is consistent with morale uplift and not of a controversial, political, racial or vulgar nature. "Keep the keynote simple and humorous--stay away from symbolism and you'll be in the groove to win one of the top prizes.

The contest is open to any soldier on the field--there is no restriction upon the style of painting as color, expression and mood will depend upon the competitors. The size of the finished mural must be 36" x 42", done in colors, and in the hands of the judges not later than noon of April 28, 1943. You may put your signature on your work.

There will be three prizes in cash--a top prize of \$15 and second and third prizes of \$10 and \$5 respectively. If you don't win one of the first three, you will be given an honorable mention plus a dollar in War Stamps, if your mural is used by the Exchange. All entries will become the property of the Seymour Johnson Field Exchange office.

You will be required to submit a simple sketch or an idea first and if it's acceptable, you're in a contest! Fibre boards of the proper size will be furnished. Names of the seven judges will be announced later.

The number of contestants is limited to 50, so report early to the manager's office at the main store.