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VETERANS MAY NOW TRAIN FOR POSTAL JOBS

Postmaster General W. Marvin Watson revealed today that more than 1,000 veterans have qualified for career postal positions through training at 16 military installations in the Atlanta Region under "Project Transition," established last January to qualify Vietnam and other veterans for postal jobs.

"To date, 1,167 members of the armed forces have received the special training and all but 126 have passed examinations which qualify them for career appointments in the Postal Service," Mr. Watson said. "About 200 trainees will be graduated every two weeks with about 85 percent passing the clerk carrier or mail handling postal examinations," he said.

In the Atlanta Region, which includes the states of Florida, Georgia, North Carolina, and South Carolina, Project Transition has been established at: Eglin Air Force Base, Naval Air Station at Pensacola, Naval Air Station and "Ships at Sea" at Jacksonville, Key West Naval Station, Tyndall Air Force Base, and Mac Dill Air Force Base at Tampa, Florida; Fort Gordon at Augusta and Fort Benning at Columbus, Georgia; Fort Bragg at Fayetteville and Camp Lejeune at Jacksonville, North Carolina; Charleston Naval Base, Charleston Air Force Base, Fort Jackson at Columbia, and Shaw Air Force Base at Sumter, South Carolina.

"Throughout the nation, an estimated 3,000 servicemen have received such training," the Postmaster General said. "Ultimately the post office intends to turn out 2,000 trainees each month."

Mr. Watson made the announcement following an inspection tour of Atlanta's Main Post Office and the Federal Annex, one of six postal activities he visited here recently.

Project Transition is a joint endeavor in which the military provides trainees and training facilities and local post offices assign instructors to teach basic postal skills. Participants are then encouraged to take the civil service examination leading to career postal employment.

"Trainees have been passing the examination nationally at a rate of more than 80 percent," Mr. Watson said. "Best estimates currently available show that about 20 percent are taking employment with post offices." "We are well on our way, and I think that military commanders of these installations, and the Atlanta Region, under the leadership of Director Banks Gladden, deserve a great of credit," Mr. Watson said. Atlanta Region conducted one of the pilot projects late last year which led to the development of the program throughout the United States during the late winter and spring.

House Passes

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The House measure would extend to rifles and shotguns restrictions provided in the recently enacted crime control bill on sales of handguns.

The bill also would forbid the over-the-counter sale to non-residents who do not live in adjoining states, but an amendment approved on the floor makes this less restrictive.

The amendment, sponsored by Rep. Delbert L. Latta, R-Ohio, and passed by voice vote, would permit a nonresident of a state to purchase a long gun if he signs an affidavit that his own weapon has been lost, stolen or become inoperative. The dealer would then notify the purchasers police department of the sale.

The bill also would prohibit the sale of long guns to anyone under 18 years old and handguns to anyone under 21. Ammunition for those guns could not be sold to anyone in those age brackets.

LEADING CONSUMER The United States was the world's largest consumer of nickel in 1967, using an estimated 852 million pounds. Total free world consumption during the year was estimated at 825 million pounds.

Postal Curtailment

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but of people," Postmaster General Watson explained. "Under the manpower restrictions imposed by the tax bill, we simply will not have enough people to continue all postal services at their present level."

"Hopefully," Mr. Watson added, "Congress will correct this situation."

Postmaster Ramsey emphasized that the Post Office Department agreed to the reduction in funds for the 1969 fiscal year that began July 1, and is not asking for a restoration of any money cut from its budget.

"The Postmaster General," Mr. Ramsey explained, "told us we could operate within our budget and maintain postal services at or near their present level if we did not have to reduce employment to the June 1966 level."

Mr. Ramsey noted also that he has been directed to submit his plans by September 1 regarding his proposals on how and when Saturday delivery on city residential routes should be handled locally.

An effective date for the elimination of Saturday residential delivery here and nationally is then expected to be established by the Department, the postmaster explained.

The exact total out of the overall employment cut that will apply locally is not yet known, and it will be affected to some extent by the rapidity of job turnover in the local staff in the months immediately ahead. However, the postmaster said he expects the cut to be serious.

To make the overall cutback to the 1966 level, post offices have been ordered to fill only three out of four vacancies as they occur.

County Teams

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by winning, 10-6. Sunday, July 21 — 3 p. m. Madison (2) 000 001 0-1 4 3 Northrup 021 002 x-5 7 1 Leading hitter, Jerry Wallin, 2-3 * * *

Monday, July 22 — 6 p. m. Madison (1) 000 000 0-0 4 3 Olin F. Devils 031 001 x-5 11 0 Leading hitter, Eddie Castloe, 1 for 1 * * *

Wednesday, July 24 — 6 p. m. GE No Stars 403 200 1-10 13 2 Madison (1) 410 100 0-6 12 6 Leading hitters: Mack Boone, 2-3; Tommy Nix, 2-3; Roger Buckner, 2-4.

Marshall Boy

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stand on the solid sea bed miles below the water. The measurement of these monsters should include both their under water and their above water heights. But we will disqualify them and select today's volcano from those that stand fair and square on the dry land.

The next problem concern the state of a volcano. It may be in the active class, eager to erupt at any time. It may be in the dormant class, with few if any recorded eruptions. Or it may be an old fellow in the extinct class, never able to stir again. The world's largest volcano is extinct. It is massive snow capped Mount Aconcagua in Argentina. Its heights is 22,834 feet above sea level, which makes it also the highest mountain in the Western Hemisphere. The tallest active volcano is in nearby Chile and is also in the lofty Andes. It is Mount Guallatire, standing 19,882 feet high. Africa's Kilimanjaro is 19,340 feet high and rates as the world's tallest dormant volcano.

HO-HUMMM!

What This Place Needs, Folks, Is A Few Good Ads in This NEWSPAPER

Folk Festival

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In years past to get the opening breakdown underway with the proper flair and to set the tone of the evening's doings.

Much of the Festival's tone and color will lie in its mountain dancing as youthful cloggers from Murphy and Plmtree, Cattail and Franklin will clatter and stamp across the stage ready to move through the traditional figures of mountain "round dancing."

For this is a get-together where the spotlight shines brightly on the traditional of the mountains . . . where the ballads that are sung and the tunes that are played are the ballads and tunes which have been handed unwritten from parent to child.

That which is new each year is the answer to the question, "Who is the best?"

Who is the best traditional buck dancer. Who can play the dulcimer best. Who's the best banjo picker. Who calls the best square dance. Which is the best mountain string band. Who is the best old time fiddler? And the big ones, which smooth and clog dance teams will reign supreme in Western North Carolina for the coming twelve months?

This Southern Highland Festival is probably the only one of national prominence that exclusively caters to its own. No attempt is made to bring in name performers. Rather the door remains open to the young man or woman from Haywood or Madison, Cherokee or Yancey, who seeks a platform for his talent.

To keep this door open to new talent, the Lunsfords set aside the ninety minutes before the Asheville City Auditorium seats are filled to audition those who would be heard. Many go on stage immediately in a pre-program program. Others are heard at the stage door, or in dressing rooms off stage.

Although it is the oldest, as folk festivals go, the Mountain Dance and Folk Festival is ever unpredictable, and as a result ever new.

Out of his knowledge of performers, folklorist Lunsford produces the only unprogrammed major folk even of its kind. One factor may be that mountain men don't program easily, and the other is that both Lunsfords prefer to "play it by audience mood." Literally to arouse an audience lulled by the grace and rhythm of a smooth square dance team, with its startling sounds of old time hunter Sam Hunnicutt's call to his bear dogs.

And although a hint of Grand Old Opry and Blue Grass will find its way on their stage, the Lunsfords accept it with grace . . . knowing that which remains will be as it has been . . . the enduring folk tunes preserved by the ridges and eaves of these mist-veiled mountains.

Tim Valentine

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start on naming his own people to top party posts for the approaching general election campaign drive.

Valentine said his resignation would be in effect next Wednesday. He had been expected to step down after the Democratic National Convention in Chicago August 25-31.

Observations

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is a most interesting account. There's another good article about the week that the hot line was used between the U.S. and Russia during the Israeli-Arab crisis last summer.

OBSERVED — I keep looking for Bobby Caldwell to call me as the money-man of WLOS. I rarely miss Perry Mason and I NEVER miss the news — Saw Johnny Fisher's picture in the paper as a baseball player with a WNC group going places — Was that Bobby Johnson's picture in Wednesday's paper, he loves golf very much — Sorry that Lib Sprinkle burned her hand painfully this week, hope it will soon be well, Lib — Did Pain's Blistitis get better? — That's some kind of eye trouble some men get at the beach — Pearl is better, but she and Jim aren't too good at Rock, against Sandra and me — Sure look forward to the conventions — Think Nixon and Humphrey are the winners, don't you?

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6:05—Breakfast Time Country Style
6:29—News Headlines
6:30—Breakfast Time Country Style
7:00—Morning News
7:10—Weather
7:15—Joe Emerson
7:20—Sports News
7:25—Breakfast Time Country Style
7:29—News Headlines
7:30—Breakfast Time Country Style
8:00—News
8:05—Music For a Happy Day
8:45—Morning Devotions
9:00—Soul Winning Gospel Hour
9:30—Gospel Singtime
10:00—News
10:05—Gospel Singtime
11:00—Good News Gospel Broadcast
11:30—Gospel Singtime
11:45—(Wed. & Sat.) — Church of Christ Broadcast
12:00—Trading Post
12:10—Dinner Time Country Style
12:30—News and Bulletin Board
12:35—Weather
12:35—Chuck Wagon Gang
12:45—Farm Forum
1:00—Farm News
1:05—Obituary Column
1:10—Sign Off — Country Music Jamboree
News on Hour
News Headlines on Half Hour

Con. Taylor

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the 11th District Congressman said he was pleased by the "high interest of the people in Western North Carolina in what is going on in Washington."

He observed that the gun letters have been "impassioned" on both sides of the issue. He said they reflect the "genuine interest and concern of citizens in this controversial matter."

He added: "I just hope the people will understand the forced delay in acknowledging questionnaires and answering letters."



J. F. Ammons

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mons of Mars Hill, Mrs. D. P. Brown of Weaverville and Mrs. I. J. Allman of Black Mountain; two granddaughters, Misses Jacquelyn and Janet Airheart of San Antonio, Texas; and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held at 2 p. m. Friday in Mars Hill Baptist Church. The Rev. William Lynch officiated and burial was in Mars Hill Cemetery. Pallbearers were William J. Robert L. Brown, and Woodson Ammons, Maurice Hensley, J. Rex Brown and Rollins Jarvis.

Holcombe Funeral Home was in charge.



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Thompson Trial

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ed for, which gave any citizen the right to take his life if he failed to surrender on order.

NOW IN RALEIGH

Thompson is in Dorothea Dix Hospital in Raleigh for a routine psychiatric examination.

Thompson was transferred to the state mental hospital Monday from a jail in Hendersonville. A hospital spokesman said the 37-year-old Negro was being kept in the hospital's maximum security building.

Thompson, accused of murder, rape and kidnaping, could remain

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Anti-Poverty

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man of the Board representing Madison County. The Board will also hear a report from the Function and Structure Committee regarding committee members and chairmen for the coming year.

in the hospital up to 60 days while doctors prepare a report on his mental condition, the spokesman added.

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