

33 Huskers, NROTC Cadets Live 'Navy Way' at Pensacola

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(Editor's note: Jerry Ewing and Bob Mosher are among the University students training in the various NROTC and ROTC unit summer camps. The following article is their report of activities at Pensacola, Fla. Ewing is a former Daily Nebraska sports writer and news editor, and Mosher is president of the campus Red Cross unit.)

"After two weeks under a broiling Florida sun, your Daily Nebraska foreign correspondents are happy to report that the 33 Husker NROTC midshipmen are still in peak condition.

"Some 900 college men began their six week tour of summer duty at the Pensacola Naval Air Station June 24. This group, representing 26 colleges and universities throughout the nation, will spend four weeks at the Florida Base in Aviation Indocination Training before proceeding to Little Creek, Virginia for Amphibious Training.

N U Commanders

"Entering the third week we find many Nebraskans in the command posts. Allen Michelet is a company commander. He cracks the whip over men from three schools: Notre Dame, Duke, and Nebraska. Under Michelet, we find Dick Lander leading the first platoon. The "Rat," as he is affectionately called by his shipmates, claims that it was his experience as vice-president of Delta Tau Delta which prepared him for this post. But informed sources have told your reporters that it was a plot conceived by irate former platoon leaders who grew weary of his biting tongue from within the ranks.

"Five N. U. men, Dale John-

son, Rex Andrews, Don Wahl, Herb "Deacon" Olsen, and Bill Keeney are serving two weeks as squad leaders. When the mid-dies took to the air in Navy flying boats, Andrews bravely led his squad aboard. Three hours later he was bravely carried off by his underlings, being the only one of the ten to succumb to airsickness. Later, shaken and green, Rex said, "Go ahead. Have your steak. I'll wait for breakfast."

Highlights and Sidelights

"The trip down held some interesting moments, especially stops in Kansas City and New Orleans. At K.C. Win Wyman joined the group of nine which embarked from Lincoln with your correspondents. Two minutes before train time Win raced into the station, kissed his seabag goodbye and struggled to throw his mother on the train. Two cars down Bill Keeney was pushed aboard by Delt brother Howard Pearson, shouting "I shall return!"

"In New Orleans, the troops took a two day layover. Having heard of the picturesque beauty of the French quarter, they decided to try and pick up a few. This venture proved unsuccessful, but the crew found that Mardi Gras time isn't the only open season in New Orleans.

Relaxation

"Here in Pensacola, we have been spending many pleasant evenings at the Atrac Club, the base's version of the D.B. and G. This club has been the scene of several Navy-sponsored dances. In reference to the ratio at the occasions,

your authors can only say, "We'll take Nebraska any day at 3 to 1." The Don Juan of the Husker unit so far is John Dean, who, reports say, is doing well in downtown Pensacola.

"Athletically speaking, the Nebraska Unit has upheld tradition, having been shellacked on the softball diamond by Notre Dame. To make the short term season complete, the Huskers saw pitchers Michelet, Mosher, Sothan, and Ewing shelled from the mound in a 15 to 8 loss to the Duke Unit.

"Last week Don Wahl thrilled 200 onlookers during a helicopter demonstration. He was picked off the ground by the 'Copter, which was speeding through the air at two miles per hour at an altitude of nearly 30 feet. Later, on the shoulders of his admirers, Don stated, "Easiest pickup I ever got."

"And now, as the 10 o'clock curfew draws near, your writers close with this word, "If you think summer school is bad, join the NROTC and put in eight hours a day in a Florida classroom."

Ag Staff Member Says U.S. Won't Retreat From Korea

The United States will not have to retreat from Korea in the opinion of Walter E. Hammond, Ag College chemistry staff member.

Hammond, who spent almost four years with the American military government in Korea, disagrees with a statement made the first of the week by Rep. James E. Van Zandt that the U.S. troops would evacuate Korea by last Tuesday.

No Retreat Line

It is Hammond's belief that the U.S. line of "no retreat" will be established on the high ridge between the Kum and Nakotong rivers. The Nakotong river is to the south of the Kum and east of the rail center of Taegu, which connects the American supply port of Pusan.

In addition to doing agricultural advisory work in Korea between 1945 and 1949, Hammond served as American representative in Korea on the U.S. delegation on reparations and restitution.

Discussing the American position in Korea, Hammond recalled that while he was in Korea, it used to be said that the commu-

nists should reach Pusan 24 hours after they had invaded south Korea. As a comparison of what the reds might have been able to do, Hammond cited a jeep drive he made in the rainy season from Seoul to Pusan in two and one-half days.

The reds have been at the invasion for over three weeks now and have just reached half-way to Pusan. Hammond says that the current rainy season will continue for another three weeks.

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VA Tells Changes in G.I. Bill: Easier to Change Study Field

Minimum standards for profit schools training veterans under the G.I. Bill, and more liberal procedures for most veterans changing fields of G.I. Bill study are authorized by a law signed July 13 by the President, the Veterans Administration said today.

Ashley Westmoreland, Lincoln regional office manager, said that although the new law also amends the GI Bill education and training provisions in nearly a dozen other ways, none of the changes affect the July 25, 1951, cut-off date for starting G.I. Bill training, or the VA regulation which states that veterans actually must be in training by the 1951 date if they want to continue afterwards.

New Standard

In explaining the new law, the VA official said the measure provides for new profit school standards, to be enforced at the state level with federal funds, consisting of seven yardsticks of good instruction. Among them are the following: (1) the school course must be consistent in quality, content and length with similar courses given by public schools or other private schools with "recognized and accepted" standards; (2) The school must have enough space, equipment, instructional material and instructor personnel for good training; (3) Instructors must have adequate qualifications both in terms of education and teaching experience; (4) The school must give a veteran credit for previous training or experience and shorten his course accordingly.

Other Standards

The law includes other standards as well as the provision that a state can set up still others if it sees fit.

Profit schools affected by the standards are those in which students paying their own way number fewer than 25 or one-fourth of the total enrollment, whichever is larger.

According to another provision of the new measure a veteran who has completed or discontinued a G.I. Bill course and now wants another in either the same or any other general field is permitted to take the new course simply by applying for it — if he is otherwise eligible and has never before changed from one general field to another.

In the past VA required all veterans changing to different general fields to show justification of need for the change. If the justification was not adequate, they could request advisement and guidance so that VA could make a final determination.

The new measure more or less

keeps current VA procedures in effect for veterans who have already changed from one major field to another and now wish to change again. They may be required to undergo advisement and guidance, the law states, before a decision is made whether to approve or disapprove the change. But if VA does not notify them of its decision within 45 days after the application, the new course automatically is approved.

The law makes no change in the VA regulation issued on April 1, 1950, having to do with the July 25, 1951, cut-off date for beginning G.I. Bill training. In addition to requiring a veteran actually to be in training by the 1951 date, the regulation also states that a veteran who completes or discontinues his program of training after that time may not start another course.

Among the many other provisions of the new law are the following:

(1) The volume of subsistence allowance overpayments should be reduced sharply by the new machinery for recovering the overpayments from schools. The machinery would go in effect if it was proved that overpayments resulted from a school's "willful or negligent failure" to report veteran drop-outs or excessive and unauthorized absences.

(2) A trade or technical course, consisting primarily of shop practice will be considered a full time course so long as the present minimum of 25 hours a week instruction are offered. But after July 1, 1951, the minimum full time training in such courses will be raised to 30 hours a week. Other below college clockhour courses consisting mainly of theoretical or classroom instruction may continue indefinitely on the 25-hour-a-week minimum basis.

(3) Current VA restrictions on avocational and recreational training formerly authorized by appropriations acts which ran for one year each have been given permanency by being adopted by the new measure with some modifications.

(4) Procedures for applying for G.I. Bill flight training set up in last year's appropriations act also have been incorporated in the new law. Under the procedures a veteran applies by submitting an affidavit supported by corroborating affidavits by two competent disinterested persons stating that the training would be useful to him in connection with earning a living.

The other provisions of the new measure mainly affect VA relationships with the school offering G.I. Bill training.

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