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I. ARMY INDUSTRIAL MEDICAL PROGRAM.—1. At installations having an industrial medical program established in accordance with WD Circular 198, 1944, the Civil Service Commission has agreed that the determination as to the physical qualifications of an applicant for civilian employment may be made by the appropriate medical officer subject to instructions contained in the following paragraphs.

2. The Commanding General, Army Air Forces, the commanding generals of the service commands, and the Chief of Transportation are authorized to designate medical officers, contract surgeons, or civilian physicians as members of the Board of U. S. Civil Service Examiners. The name of the medical officer so designated and the name of the installation at which he is on duty will be forwarded to the Civil Service regional director of that region in which the installation is located.

3. Where the industrial medical officers are so designated, they will act for the Civil Service Commission in approving or disapproving the physical qualifications of persons, both veterans and nonveterans certified by the Civil Service regional office or by the local board, who are being considered for appointment to civilian positions. WD AGO Form 8-179, Physical Examination Record, will be used by all industrial medical officers to record the examination. The industrial medical officers' findings will constitute approval or disapproval by the Civil Service Commission and will be subject only to post audit on a mass basis by the Civil Service regional office. Whenever an industrial medical officer determines that an appointee is physically disqualified for a position, a copy of the medical record, including Form 8-179, Physical Examination Record, will be submitted immediately as a confidential document to the Civil Service Regional Office, Attention: Chief, Medical Division.

4. Industrial medical officers so designated will also act for the appointing authority in approving or disapproving physical qualifications for reemployment of former War Department employees returning from military service. The medical record will not be submitted to the Civil Service Commission in these cases.

5. It is essential that sufficient information be given to the appointing authority to insure that employees will be properly placed. WD Form 91, Physical Qualification Placement Record, submitted by the civilian personnel office will be completed by the medical officer and returned. One copy will be retained and filed in the applicant's medical 201 file. No comments or remarks which could be construed as confidential medical information will be included in the Physical Qualification Placement Record.

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II. INSTALLATION.—Announcement is made of the transfer of the Station Hospital at Camp White, Oregon, to the Navy Department on a revocable permit basis with the proviso that the Navy Department will provide station hospitalization for military personnel now or hereafter stationed at Camp White upon 90 days' notice.

[AG 602.3 (3 May 45)]

III. SIGNAL CORPS ITEMS.—1. **General.**—The Chief Signal Officer is responsible for the supply of batteries, bulbs, and flashlights for resale to Army exchanges in oversea theaters.

a. In the zone of the interior depot stocks of such items under the jurisdiction of the Quartermaster Corps will be reported (within 15 days after receipt of this circular) to the Chief, Procurement and Distribution Service, Office of the Chief Signal Officer, Washington 25, D. C., for shipping instructions. Upon receipt of shipping instructions, stocks procured from funds under the control of The Quartermaster General will be transferred to the Signal Corps on a reimbursement basis in accordance with provisions of AR 35-860.

b. In the theaters of operation all depot stocks of these items under the control of the theater quartermaster will be consolidated under the control of the theater signal officer. Transfers of such stocks procured from funds under the control of The Quartermaster General will be made on a reimbursement basis in accordance with provisions of AR 35-860.

2. **Supply in theaters of operation.**—*a.* The theater signal officer is authorized to sell batteries, bulbs, and flashlights to Army exchanges in theaters of operation. Distribution of such resale items will be as prescribed by the theater exchange officer. Payment for quantities received on requisition to the signal officer will be made by the theater exchange officer to the signal officer who will deposit such payments with the finance officer to the credit of the Signal Corps.

b. The theater exchange officer will furnish the theater signal officer with requirements for flashlights, bulbs, and batteries at such times and covering such periods as the signal officer may specify. The theater signal officer will include requirements for Army exchanges with requirements submitted to the Chief Signal Officer.

3. **Rescission.**—The first footnote on page 5, WD Circular 285, 1944, and so much of paragraph 2*b*(2) of that circular as pertains to batteries, flashlight; bulbs, flashlight; and flashlights, are rescinded.

[AG 331.3 (18 May 45)]

IV. TRAVEL ALLOWANCE.—1. **Quarters and subsistence allowances.**—*a.* Where messing and/or billeting facilities are not available at service schools to which enlisted personnel are being sent for training, orders may prescribe payment in advance for quarters and/or subsistence allowances under the provisions of section II, AR 35-4810, 19 April 1945, for a period of 30 days. Payment should normally be made by the disbursing officer at the enlisted person's permanent station prior to the performance of travel. However, where proper orders authorizing the advance payment have not been issued prior to departure from permanent station, such orders will be issued by the commandant of the service school.

b. Where the enlisted person remains at the service school beyond the 30-day period and messing and/or billeting facilities continue to be unavailable, further payment of advance quarters and/or subsistence allowances for each additional 30-day period or fraction thereof as determined by the commandant of the school will be prescribed in orders issued by the school headquarters, and will be made by the disbursing officer paying the current pay account of the enlisted personnel

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