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Subject: Annual Report of The Command and General Staff School, Year 1935-1936.

To: The Adjutant General, Washington, D.C.

In compliance with paragraph 3 c (2) (a) AR 350-110, the Annual Report of The Commandant, The Command and General Staff School, for the school year 1935-1936 is submitted herewith.

1. School Staff.—During the school year 1935-1936 the school staff was as follows:

Commandant: Major General Herbert J. Brees
Personal Staff—Aide-de-Camp: 1st Lieutenant Dwight E.
Beach, Field Artillery

Assistant Commandant: Colonel Wilson B. Burtt, Infantry Executive Officer: Lieutenant Colonel Frederick Gilbreath, Cavalry Secretary: Lieutenant Colonel William R. Nichols, Coast Artillery Corps

Adjutant General: Major George M. Peabody, Jr., Adjutant Gen-

eral's Department

Librarian: Major Fred During, Infantry

Assistant Librarian: Major Gustav J. Braun, Infantry

2. Instructors.—The following officers were on duty as instructors at The Command and General Staff School during the school year 1935-1936:

DIRECTORS

One-Year Class: Colonel Joseph A. McAndrew, Infantry Second-Year Class: Colonel Troup Miller, Cavalry (September 3, 1935—February 9, 1936)
*Colonel Wilson B. Burtt, Infantry (February 10, 1936—June 19, 1936)

Special Class and Extension Courses: Colonel Ralph Talbot, Jr., Field Artillery

NAVAL ADVISER

Captain Adolphus Staton, United States Navy (see paragraph 3, below)

CHIEFS OF SECTIONS

Command: Lieutenant Colonel John E. Sloan, Field Artillery G-2 Section: Lieutenant Colonel John H. Hood, Coast Artillery Corps

G-3 Section: Lieutenant Colonel William M. Grimes, Cavalry G-1-G-4 Section: Lieutenant Colonel Thompson Lawrence, In-

Publication: Lieutenant Colonel Eugene B. Walker, Coast Artillery Corps

^{*}Also member of School Staff.

CHIEFS OF SUBSECTIONS

Infantry: Lieutenant Colonel Wade H. Haislip, Infantry Cavalry: Lieutenant Colonel Kenna G. Eastham, Cavalry

Field Artillery: Lieutenant Colonel Henry L. C. Jones, Field Artillery

Coast Artillery: Lieutenant Colonel James B. Crawford, Coast Artillery Corps

Engineer: Lieutenant Colonel Peter C. Bullard, Corps of Engineers

(September 3, 1935-March 9, 1936)
Lieutenant Colonel Donald A. Davison, Corps of Engineers (March 10, 1936-June 19, 1936)
Air Corps: Lieutenant Colonel Lewis H. Brereton, Air Corps Signal Corps: Lieutenant Colonel Charles M. Milliken, Signal Corps Chemical Warfare: Lieutenant Colonel Leigh F. J. Zerbee, Chem-

ical Warfare Service Adjutant General: *Major George M. Peabody, Jr., Adjutant General's Department

Judge Advocate: Lieutenant Colonel Lester S. Hill, Jr., Judge Advocate General's Department

Medical: Major Charles B. Spruit, Medical Corps Ordnance: Captain John W. Coffey, Ordnance Department Quartermaster Corps: Major Roy C. L. Graham, Quartermaster

Corps

OTHER INSTRUCTORS

Captain Clarence L. Adcock, Corps of Engineers Lieutenant Colonel John B. Anderson, Field Artillery Major Wayland B. Augur, Cavalry Major George R. Barker, Infantry Major George R. Barker, Imantry
Major James W. Barnett, Cavalry
Lieutenant Colonel James L. Bradley, Infantry
Major Francis M. Brennan, Infantry
Major Homer C. Brown, Infantry
Lieutenant Colonel Thoburn K. Brown, Cavalry
†Lieutenant Colonel Peter C. Bullard, Corps of Engineers
Major Caracling M. Doly, Cavalry Major Cornelius M. Daly, Cavalry †Lieutenant Colonel Donald A. Davison, Corps of Engineers Lieutenant Colonel Jens A. Doe, Infantry Lieutenant Colonel Sylvester D. Downs, Jr., Field Artillery *Major Fred During, Infantry Major George L. Eberle, Infantry
Major Manton S. Eddy, Infantry
Captain Sam L. Ellis, Air Corps
Major Charles R. Finley, Coast Artillery Corps
Major Leslie R. Forney, Infantry Lieutenant Colonel Isaac Gill, Jr., Infantry Major Oliver L. Haines, Cavalry Major Thomas J. Hanley, Jr., Air Corps Major William K. Harrison, Jr., Cavalry Lieutenant Colonel Harry F. Hazlett, Infantry Lieutenant Colonel Samuel J. Heidner, Infantry Lieutenant Colonel Frank L. Hoskins, Coast Artillery Corps Major Charles E. Hurdis, Field Artillery Major Constant L. Irwin, Infantry Major A. Franklin Kibler, Field Artillery Major Allen F. Kingman, Infantry Major Egmont F. Koenig, Infantry Major Herman F. Kramer, Infantry

^{*}Also member of School Staff. †Also part-time Chief of Subsection.

Major Paul J. McDonnell, Infantry
Lieutenant Colonel Frank W. Milburn, Infantry
Major Fred W. Miller, Infantry
Major Cecil R. Moore, Corps of Engineers
*Lieutenant Colonel William R. Nichols, Coast Artillery Corps
Major Edward S. Ott, Field Artillery
Major Lewis A. Pick, Corps of Engineers
Major Edwin E. Schwien, Cavalry
Major William A. Shely, Infantry
Captain LeCount H. Slocum, Field Artillery
Major George E. Stratemeyer, Air Corps
Captain Foster J. Tate, Field Artillery
Major Thomas F. Taylor, Infantry
Major Richard G. Tindall, Infantry
Lieutenant Colonel John F. Wall, Cavalry
Captain Walter L. Weible, Coast Artillery Corps
Major James E. Wharton, Infantry
Major Arthur R. Wilson, Field Artillery

- 3. NAVAL ADVISER.—Captain Adolphus Staton, U.S. Navy, reported at this School for duty as Naval Adviser August 24, 1935. He is an excellent adviser and instructor. His cooperation with and assistance to all members of the faculty has added materially to the School instruction, especially in the course on coast defense and overseas expeditions. Because of the many inter-related problems, there should always be a Naval officer on the faculty of this School.
- 4. The Command and General Staff School.—a. General.—The Command and General Staff School opened September 3, 1935, with two classes: one class, pursuing the second year's course, was composed of one hundred nineteen (119) officers of the Regular Army and three (3) officers of the United States Marine Corps; and the other class, pursuing the one-year course, was composed of one hundred eighteen (118) officers of the Regular Army, two (2) officers of the United States Marine Corps, and two (2) foreign officers: Lieutenant Colonel Hsi En-Sui and Major Wang Pei-Chen, both of the Chinese Army.
- b. Second-Year Class.—(1) The list of officers who finished the two year's course and who graduated June 19, 1936, follows:

Captain Glen H. Anderson, Infantry
Major Gustav A. M. Anderson, Infantry
Captain Edwin Y. Argo, Field Artillery
Captain George M. Badger, Coast Artillery Corps
Major Paul T. Baker, Infantry
Lieutenant Colonel Cleveland H. Bandholtz, Ordnance Department
Captain Charles Y. Banfill, Air Corps
Captain John DeF. Barker, Air Corps
Captain George T. Barnes, Quartermaster Corps

^{*}Also member of School Staff.

Captain Harry C. Barnes, Jr., Coast Artillery Corps Captain David G. Barr, Infantry Captain George B. Barth, Field Artillery Captain Eugene W. Billick, Medical Corps Captain Roland Birnn, Air Corps Captain Arthur C. Blain, Infantry Major George F. Bloomquist, Infantry Captain Robert G. Breene, Air Corps Captain Francis G. Brink, Infantry Major Charles T. Brooks, United States Marine Corps Captain Byron T. Burt, Jr., Air Corps Captain Clovis E. Byers, Cavalry Major Alexander H. Campbell, Coast Artillery Corps Major Harry W. Caygill, Infantry Major Gilbert X. Cheves, Cavalry Major Elliot D. Cooke, Infantry Captain Miles A. Cowles, Field Artillery Captain Howard A. Craig, Air Corps Major Joseph P. Cromwell, Adjutant General's Department Captain James T. Curry, Jr., Air Corps Major Horace O. Cushman, Infantry Major Thomas D. Davis, Infantry Captain Paul L. Deylitz, Ordnance Department Major Nelson Dingley, 3d, Coast Artillery Corps Major Charles E. Dissinger, Cavalry Captain Lester D. Flory, Coast Artillery Corps Captain Lloyd R. Garrison, Field Artillery Captain Paul R. Goode, Infantry
Major Cecil J. Gridley, Infantry
Major Roy N. Hagerty, Infantry
Major Stuart A. Hamilton, Chemical Warfare Service Major Laurence H. Hanley, Field Artillery Major Arthur McK. Harper, Field Artillery Captain Joseph E. Harriman, Coast Artillery Corps Major Paul R. Hawley, Medical Corps Captain George F. Herbert, Infantry Captain Hobart Hewett, Coast Artillery Corps Captain Leland H. Hewitt, Corps of Engineers Captain Doyle O. Hickey, Field Artillery Major John H. Hilldring, Infantry Captain James P. Hodges, Air Corps Major Lovic P. Hodnette, Infantry Captain Fremont B. Hodson, Infantry Major John E. Hull, Infantry Captain William C. Hutt, Quartermaster Corps Captain Reuben E. Jenkins, Infantry Major Richard H. Jeschke, United States Marine Corps Captain Harry A. Johnson Air Corps Captain Harry A. Johnson, Air Corps Captain Clarence E. Jones, Quartermaster Corps Captain Albert G. Kelly, Infantry Captain Paul W. Kendall, Infantry Captain Clarence L. King, Infantry Captain Cortlandt K. Krams, Infantry Major Guy O. Kurtz, Field Artillery Captain Francis H. Lanahan, Jr., Signal Corps Captain John M. Lentz, Field Artillery Captain James M. Lewis, Field Artillery Major Henning Linden, Infantry Captain Walter E. Lorence, Corps of Engineers Major Harold C. Mabbott, Coast Artillery Corps Major Marvin W. Marsh, Infantry Major Oliver F. Marston, Field Artillery Captain Robert B. McClure, Infantry

Major Arthur B. McDaniel, Air Corps Captain Edward J. McGaw, Field Artillery Captain Osgood C. McIntyre, Field Artillery Major Bernard B. McMahon, Infantry Captain Leo T. McMahon, Field Artillery Captain Vincent J. Meloy, Air Corps Major Hugh Mitchell, Signal Corps
Captain Hammond McD. Monroe, Infantry
Captain Anderson T. W. Moore, Corps of Engineers
Major John G. Murphy, Coast Artillery Corps Captain Robert V. Murphy, Infantry Lieutenant Colonel Richard U. Nicholas, Corps of Engineers Captain George M. Palmer, Air Corps Major Thomas R. Phillips, Coast Artillery Corps Captain Howard K. Ramey, Air Corps Captain Franklin L. Rash, Infantry Major Charles E. Rayens, Infantry Major Joseph L. Ready, Infantry Captain Charles McK. Robinson, Air Corps Captain Peter P. Rodes, Field Artillery Major Fred B. Rogers, Infantry Captain Onslow S. Rolfe, Infantry Major Morrill Ross, Field Artillery Major David S. Rumbough, Field Artillery Captain William H. Schildroth, Infantry Captain Richard T. Schlosberg, Signal Corps Major Christian A. Schwarzwaelder, Quartermaster Corps Major George D. Shea, Field Artillery Major George D. Snea, Field Arthery
Major Thomas R. Shearer, United States Marine Corps
Captain John B. Sherman, Infantry
Captain Don G. Shingler, Corps of Engineers
Major James C. Short, Cavalry
Captain Carl D. Silverthorne, Cavalry
Major Albert C. Smith, Cavalry
Major Ross R. Smith Infantry Major Ross B. Smith, Infantry Major Paul Steele, Infantry Captain Otto R. Stillinger, Cavalry
Captain Marcellus L. Stockton, Jr., Cavalry
Captain Marcellus L. Stockton, Jr., Cavalry
Captain Andrew P. Sullivan, Coast Artillery Corps
Major Lucian K. Truscott, Jr., Cavalry
Captain Herbert D. Vogel, Corps of Engineers
Captain Hugh B. Waddell, Cavalry
Lieutenant Colonel Carlyle H. Wash, Air Corps
Major Jarome J. Waters, Jr. Field Artillory Major Jerome J. Waters, Jr., Field Artillery Captain Dayton D. Watson, Air Corps Lieutenant Colonel Douglas L. Weart, Corps of Engineers Captain Albert C. Wedemeyer, Infantry Major Donald Wilson, Air Corps Major Harry H. Young, Air Corps

c. One-Year Class.—(1) The list of officers who finished the one-year course and who graduated June 19, 1936, follows:

Major Frank A. Allen, Jr., Cavalry Captain Waine Archer, Infantry Major Clare H. Armstrong, Coast Artillery Corps Major Calvert H. Arnold, Signal Corps Major Russell G. Barkalow, Field Artillery Captain Stuart A. Beckley, Field Artillery Major Harold W. Blakeley, Field Artillery Captain Charles C. Blanchard, Field Artillery Major William L. Blanton, Infantry Major Harry W. Bolan, Infantry
Major Gerald E. Brower, Air Corps
Major Dudley S. Brown, United States Marine Corps
Captain James C. Browne, Quartermaster Corps
Major Mark V. Brunson, Quartermaster Corps Captain Blackshear M. Bryan, Jr., Field Artillery Captain Boniface Campbell, Field Artillery Captain Leslie D. Carter, Cavalry Captain Warren R. Carter, Air Corps Captain Warrell R. Carter, All Corps
Captain Robert A. Case, Infantry
Captain Charles C. Chauncey, Air Corps
Captain Carter W. Clarke, Signal Corps
Captain Samuel G. Conley, Infantry
Captain Forrest E. Cookson, Infantry
Captain Harold A. Cooney, Field Artillery
Captain John D. Corkille, Air Corps
Captain Erle F. Cress, Captalry Captain Erle F. Cress, Cavalry Captain Charles M. Cummings, Air Corps Major Breckenridge A. Day, Field Artillery Captain William F. Dean, Infantry Captain John R. Deane, Infantry Lieutenant Colonel Frank H. Dixon, Medical Corps Major Leo Donovan, Infantry Major William W. Eagles, Infantry Captain Riley F. Ennis, Infantry Major William D. Evans, Coast Artillery Corps Major Don C. Faith, Infantry Captain William T. Fitts, Jr., Infantry Major Arthur C. Fitthugh, Field Artillery Captain Ivan L. Foster, Field Artillery Captain Arthur E. Fox, Field Artillery Major Hugh J. Gaffey, Field Artillery Lieutenant Colonel Roland L. Gaugler, Ordnance Department Captain Edgar E. Glenn, Air Corps
Captain Alvin L. Gorby, Medical Corps
Captain William S. Gravely, Air Corps
Captain William S. Gravely, Air Corps
Captain Leslie R. Groves, Jr., Corps of Engineers
Major Raymond C. Hamilton, Infantry
Lieutenant Colonel Roger B. Harrison, Infantry
Captain Albert L. Hactings, Field Artillery Captain Albert J. Hastings, Field Artillery Captain Caleb V. Haynes, Air Corps Major Thomas W. Herren, Cavalry Captain Leland R. Hewitt, Air Corps
Major Charles W. Higgins, Coast Artillery Corps
Captain George W. Hirsch, Ordnance Department
Lieutenant Colonel William H. Holcombe, Corps of Engineers
Major Frederick W. Hoorn, Signal Corps
Lieutenant Colonel Hsi En-Sui, Chinese Army Major George E. Huthsteiner, Cavalry Captain William W. Jenna, Infantry Captain Oscar R. Johnston, Infantry Major Alan W. Jones, Infantry Captain Herbert M. Jones, Field Artillery Captain Homer W. Jones, Quartermaster Corps Major Clarence H. Kells, Infantry Captain Frederick von H. Kimble, Air Corps Captain Charles R. Landon, Infantry Major Zim E. Lawhon, Field Artillery Captain Charles B. Leinbach, Field Artillery
Captain Lyman L. Lemnitzer, Coast Artillery Corps
Lieutenant Colonel Henry B. Lewis, Adjutant General's Depart-Captain James A. Lewis, Infantry

Captain Robert G. Lovett, Corps of Engineers Captain Robert G. Lovett, Corps of Engineers
Major Burton L. Lucas, Infantry
Major William K. MacNulty, United States Marine Corps
Captain Kameil Maertens, Infantry
Captain Howard A. Malin, Infantry
Captain Carley L. Marshall, Infantry
Major Morrill W. Marston, Infantry
Captain Earl Mattice Infantry Captain Earl Mattice, Infantry Major Samuel L. McCroskey, Coast Artillery Corps Captain Bernice M. McFadyen, Infantry Captain Morton H. McKinnon, Air Corps Major Stanley R. Mickelsen, Coast Artillery Corps Major Maurice L. Miller, Infantry
Major Murray M. Montgomery, Field Artillery
Captain Joe D. Moss, Coast Artillery Corps
Captain Joseph A. Nichols, Infantry Captain James Notestein, Infantry Captain Richard E. G. Opie, Infantry Captain Theodore M. Osborne, Corps of Engineers Major Vernon L. Padgett, Cavalry Major George Van W. Pope, Infantry Lieutenant Colonel Xenophon H. Price, Corps of Engineers Major John K. Rice, Infantry
Major William P. Scobey, Infantry
Captain Josef R. Sheetz, Field Artillery
Captain George W. Smythe, Infantry
Major William A. Snow, Corps of Engineers
Lieutenant Colonel Carl Spatz, Air Corps
Captain Rupert E. Starr, Coast Artillery Corps
Captain Ralph F. Stearley Air Corps Captain Ralph F. Stearley, Air Corps Captain Harold P. Stewart, Cavalry Captain Victor H. Strahm, Air Corps Captain Clarence P. Talbot, Air Corps Captain Patrick H. Tansey, Corps of Engineers Captain Patrick H. Tansey, Corps of Engineers
Captain Benjamin A. Thomas, Cavalry
Major Harry F. Thompson, Infantry
Major Russell C. Throckmorton, Infantry
Captain Edward W. Timberlake, Coast Artillery Corps
Major William B. Tuttle, Infantry
Major Andrew C. Tychsen, Infantry
Captain Hoyt S. Vandenberg, Air Corps
Captain Hoyt S. Vandenberg, Air Corps
Captain Wilbur H. Vinson, Infantry
Captain Alden H. Waitt, Chemical Warfare Service
Captain Samuel P. Walker, Jr., Cavalry
Major Wang Pei-Chen. Chinese Army Major Wang Pei-Chen, Chinese Army Major Webster H. Warren, Coast Artillery Corps Captain Walter L. Wheeler, Air Corps Captain Raymond E. S. Williamson, Cavalry Major Walter A. Wood, Jr., Corps of Engineers Captain Edwin K. Wright, Infantry

5. SPECIAL COURSE FOR OFFICERS OF THE NATIONAL GUARD AND ORGANIZED RESERVES.—a. General.—The Special Course for officers of the National Guard and Organized Reserves began March 16, 1936, and continued until June 15, 1936. In compliance with War Department orders fifty-one (51) officers reported to join this class, eighteen (18) from the National Guard of thirteen (13) states and Hawaii, and thirty-

three (33) officers of the Organized Reserves representing all corps areas except the First Corps Area.

b. Graduates.—The list of graduates is as follows:

Lieutenant Colonel Earl W. Bacon, Field Artillery Reserve Major Lyle A. Baldwin, Field Artillery Reserve Captain William C. Bowen, Corps of Engineers Reserve Major Clarence L. Boyer, Corps of Engineers Reserve Major John R. O. Bradley, Corps of Engineers Reserve Colonel Paul A. Cannady, 114th Cavalry, 24th Cavalry Division, Kansas National Guard

Major Andrew F. Casper, 132d Infantry, Illinois National Guard Captain Chester A. Charles, Air Corps, 44th Division Aviation, New Jersey National Guard

Lieutenant Colonel Bruce E. Clarke, Infantry Reserve Captain Louis E. Cotulla, Corps of Engineers Reserve

Major Hal P. Crane, Coast Artillery Corps Reserve Major Christopher B. Degenaar, 105th Infantry, 27th Division, New York National Guard

Lieutenant Colonel Ralph A. Densmore, Coast Artillery Corps Reserve

Captain Kenneth C. Downing, 161st Infantry, 41st Division, Washington National Guard

Major Carroll A. Edson, Infantry Reserve
Major Adrian G. Gould, Medical Corps Reserve
Lieutenant Colonel Richard F. Grinstead, Ordnance Department,
45th Division, Colorado National Guard
Lieutenant Colonel J. Tracy Hale, Jr., 127th Infantry, 32d Division, Wisconsin National Guard
Lieutenant Colonel Welter A. Hardie Signal Corps, 28th Division

Lieutenant Colonel Walter A. Hardie, Signal Corps, 28th Division, Pennsylvania National Guard

Captain Cyril D. Hill, Coast Artillery Corps Reserve Lieutenant Colonel William G. Johnston, Infantry Reserve

Major Fred O. Kelso, Quartermaster Corps Reserve
Lieutenant Colonel Charles P. Kerr, Infantry Reserve
Lieutenant Colonel David R. Knape, Coast Artillery Corps Reserve
Lieutenant Colonel Charles A. Liebst, Field Artillery Reserve
Lieutenant Colonel Charles A. Liebst, Field Artillery Reserve
Captain Melford M. Lothrop, Coast Artillery Corps Reserve
Major Allan B. Mann, Military Intelligence Reserve

Lieutenant Colonel Alan H. Means, Field Artillery Reserve

Lieutenant Colonel Hamilton Merrill, 299th Infantry, Hawaii National Guard

Major John S. Moran, Infantry Reserve Major Albert W. Morse, Jr., Cavalry Reserve Lieutenant Colonel Harrie S. Mueller, Infantry, 35th Division, Kansas National Guard

Major Clarence H. Olson, Infantry, 41st Division, Montana National Guard

Lieutenant Colonel Evarts W. Opie, 116th Infantry, 29th Division, Virginia National Guard

Colonel Alexander G. Paxton, 114th Field Artillery, 31st Division, Mississippi National Guard

Lieutenant Colonel Ernest V. Reed, Ordnance Department Reserve Lieutenant Colonel Leal W. Reese, Field Artillery Reserve Major Howard B. Rew, 133d Infantry, 34th Division, Iowa National Guard

Captain Roy W. Riegle, 137th Infantry, Kansas National Guard Lieutenant Colonel Henry S. Robertson, Infantry Reserve Lieutenant Colonel Charles W. Rooth, Infantry Reserve Captain Charles F. Russe, Infantry Reserve Colonel Charles H. E. Scheer, Coast Artillery Corps Reserve

Lieutenant Colonel George L. Simpson, Field Artillery, 32d Division, Wisconsin National Guard

Major Benjamin M. Smith, 62d Infantry Brigade, 31st Division, Alabama National Guard

Alabama National Guard
Lieutenant Colonel Russell R. Ward, Cavalry Reserve
Lieutenant Colonel John C. Warnock, Infantry Reserve
Major Frank E. Washburn, Infantry Reserve
Lieutenant Colonel Lester S. Whipple, Infantry Reserve
Colonel Frederick E. Whitten, Infantry Reserve
Colonel Eric F. Wood, 107th Field Artillery, 28th Division, Pennsylvania National Guard

- 6. Army Extension Courses.—a. Group School Courses.— (1) The outstanding accomplishment in Extension Course work has been the completion of over one-half of the problems pertaining to the Extension Course for Group Schools. Favorable comment upon the quality and character of these problems has been received from many quarters. However, due to a lack of general knowledge as to their adaptability for instruction purposes, as well as the limited number of copies distributed. full use has not been made of them as their merit would justify. Not only are they valuable for the civilian components, but I am confident that they would be of great value if utilized as a basis of instruction in the more advanced courses of Garrison and Unit Schools in the Regular Service.
- (2) At the present time only 1500 copies of each lesson of these courses are printed. This number of copies can permit little more than one copy per instructor per group school. is believed that if the number of copies printed would be increased to allow each group school held throughout the country to have at least thirteen copies (one copy per unit situation) it would result in increased efficiency in the instruction and be of material assistance to the officers who are endeavoring to put over the instruction.
- b. Command and General Staff School Courses.—In the past it has been customary to revise each course of the extension courses at the rate of a third of its lessons each year. Three years have thus been required to complete the revision of any one course which is normally taken by a good student in one year. As a result and due to the changes in doctrine at the School, marked differences in method and practice appear in each course with resultant confusion to students. To obviate this and to insure uniformity of method and practice, within and throughout each course, arrangement has been made this year to change the system of revision so as to revise complete courses each vear.

- c. Two Weeks Course of Instruction for National Guard Officers of Second and Sixth Corps Areas.—In accordance with letter from The Adjutant General, dated March 24, 1936, Subject: New Instruction Course for National Guard Officers, this course has been mapped out and preparations made for its completion, including the printing and shipping of all instructional matter. The student officers of the two regular classes who have been detailed on National Guard duty in the Second and Sixth Corps Areas, and who are to constitute the instructional teams for these two corps areas, started to work on the actual writing of the course about June 6, 1936.
- 7. Schedule of Instruction.—a. The correct tactical employment of the combined arms is based on a sound knowledge of the tactics and technique of the separate arms. Only twenty-seven officers of the present One-Year Class had, prior to coming here, anything other than a one-year course at their special service schools, and that in many cases several years ago. Their knowledge of the combat arms, other than their own arm, was not comprehensive. A refresher and orientation course must therefore be given in the tactics and technique of the separate arms before taking up instruction in the employment of the combined arms in the brigade, division, and corps.
- b. In general the instruction at this School falls into three main periods:

1st Period: The refresher course and the reinforced brigade extends over a period of two and one-half months.

2d Period: The reinforced division extends over a period of three

2d Period: The reinforced division extends over a period of three months.

3d Period: The reinforced corps extends over a period of four months.

8. Instructional Methods.—The methods employed to impart instruction at this School are securing excellent results. Formal lectures have been reduced to a minimum. Map exercises are employed to a maximum in all indoor instruction. Much time is given to the study of the functions of command, realizing that all commanders must have detailed knowledge of staff work and that all staff officers must have intimate knowledge of the command viewpoint. In this connection, it must be remembered that the majority of the students are in the junior grades. It may be many years before any of them will be required to make decisions relating to high command. For the most part they will occupy general staff positions in war.

For this reason they are thoroughly grounded in the principles of general staff procedure.

- 9. Texts.—A complete revision of our School texts, started three years ago, is now nearing completion. These texts amplify and emphasize the instructions contained in War Department publications without in any way superseding them. They make specific and particular application of the broad and general discussions contained therein.
- 10. MOTORIZATION AND MECHANIZATION.—The development of correct tactical and strategical methods for the proper employment of motorized and mechanized units in the combined team is being diligently carried on. For the past three years the employment of the mechanized regiment and brigade has been taught. In the next year's course there will be introduced the tactical and strategical employment of the mechanized division. Instruction in employment of motorized units which has been taught for the past several years will continue to receive the emphasis in instruction which its increasing importance deserves.
- 11. Entrance Requirements.—In view of the facts outlined in paragraph 7 supra, I am of the opinion that serious consideration should be given to more definite and rigid requirements for entrance than now exist. In addition to the existing age and efficiency requirements, I believe that prospective student officers should be required to complete successfully The Command and General Staff School Extension Courses before being selected, or better still, that an entrance examination be required. This would insure that only the best and most ambitious officers would be selected and eventually would enable us to shorten, if not entirely eliminate, the refresher course and to utilize the time thus gained for more thorough work in the division and corps.
- 12. Physical Examinations.—a. Special Class.—For many years the recommendation has been made that officers attending the Special Course be examined physically by a regular medical officer prior to their being detailed as students. This recommendation is again repeated. In this year's class, three officers were found not physically fit for full field service and for whom waivers had to be secured.
- b. Regular classes.—Greater consideration should also be paid to the physical condition of regular officers before selection for the course. During the past year six officers were found to

have physical defects which interfered to a marked degree with their work as student officers.

- 13. NEW CONSTRUCTION.—I again strongly urge that the War Department give serious and prompt consideration to a much needed building repair program for this Post. This has been the subject of many communications during the past year but because of the importance of this School and the need for the construction, I am calling special attention to it in this report.
- a. The Command and General Staff School Building.—The need for an enlarged academic building is so acute as to demand the earliest possible action on the part of the War Department. The Command and General Staff School is undoubtedly the most influential military school in the United States, yet its activities are carried on in converted warehouses originally erected in 1859, two years before the beginning of the Civil War. In spite of numerous modifications and several additions, the entire structure is inadequate to provide for proper and reasonably efficient operation of The Command and General Staff School.
- b. Apartments.—The old Engineer Barracks (Building No. 45), the old Hospital (Building No. 55), and the old Ordnance Building (Building No. 102) were converted directly after the World War into sixty-nine (69) apartments for married officers. These apartments are not suitable for officers' quarters. They should be replaced by modern apartment buildings at the earliest practicable date. One building (Building No. 43) consisting of twenty-four (24) bachelor apartments, no longer required for bachelor officers, should be completely converted into quarters for married officers.
- c. Other construction.—(1) Officers' Mess.—The urgent need for an Officers' Mess building, mentioned in my last Annual Report, still exists.
- (2) War Department Theater.—A modern War Department Theater is considered to be a necessity at this station. Moving picture facilities at present are inadequate.
- 14. Modern Aircraft.—A strong need exists for additional airplanes of modern design. Not only are these necessary for the flying training of the Air Corps officers on duty as instructors and students but the need is essential for the training of student officers of other arms.

- 15. FUTURE POLICIES.—In my opinion the time has arrived when the War Department should make definite announcement as to just what role this School is to play in our future military educational program. If the purpose of this School is to educate as many of our officers as possible and thus attempt to raise the average standard, then the One-Year Course should be continued subject to some sort of entrance requirement, as stated in paragraph 11, supra. If the purpose of the School is to select and train only our best officers for high command and general staff positions, then the Two-Year Course should be re-inaugurated and a rigid entrance examination required. In either event the policy should be announced to the army at large.
- 16. Corps Area Control.—Under existing Regulations The Command and General Staff School at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, is the only one of our general and special service schools which is not exempted from corps area control. The records indicate that it was placed under corps area control in 1928 as a means of effecting economy in the administration of The General Service Schools and the United States Disciplinary Barracks, both of which were located on this reservation. Since that time the Disciplinary Barracks has been leased to the Department of Justice. Therefore the reasons for placing this School under corps area control in 1928 no longer obtain. It should be exempted in the same manner as are the other general and special service schools.

H. J. BREES,

Major General, U.S. Army,

Commandant.

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