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## MEMORANDUM:

STATE OF MAINE The Adjutant General's Office Augusta, July 7, 1917

The following information relative to the second series training camps received at this office is hereby published for the information and guidance of all concerned:

1. For Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island and Connecticut the camp will be held at Fort Myer, Va., August 27-November 26, 1917.

2. The minimum age for all applicants is 20 years and 9 months. However, in order to obtain the experienced class of men desired, preference will be given to men over 31 years of age, other things being equal. Because of the anticipated large number of applicants it will probably be difficult for men under that age to qualify except in instances where the applicant has pre-eminent qualifications or unusual military experience.

3. All who desire to become candidates will apply on the official application blank. Memorandum of instructions with application blank attached may be procured from the Examining Officer, 2nd Training Camp, Fort McKinley, Maine.

4. All applications must be received between June 15th and July 15th, 1917. Under no circumstances will an application be considered if received after July 15th.

5. Members of the National Guard in Federal service may apply through channels and if accepted will be part of the State's quota. While in the training camp they will be on detached service from their National Guard organizations.

The approval of the organization commander, either Regiment, separate Battalion or separate Company will be sufficient without reference to higher authority.

Enlisted men not in Federal service will apply through military channels to the Adjutant General for the required statement. In both cases the approval will be attached to the application and forwarded to the proper examining officer.

The approval of the Adjutant General will contain an agreement to furlough the applicant for three months if accepted for camp and discharge him if recommended for commission at the end of camp.

GEORGE McL. PRESSON,

The Adjutant General.