

directing physical education activities; (4) present physical condition adequate to permit extended participation and active leadership in very strenuous activities; (5) personality that includes the factors already mentioned; (6) minimum of thirty years of age.

Men meeting these qualifications have been interviewed and recommended for appointment to Washington, where all final appointments will be made. Whether, with the expansion of the Air Force, we will be authorized additional commissioned appointments, I do not know.

What is the program of physical training activities in the Army Air Forces?

The activities recommended for use in developing and maintaining physical condition in the Army Air Forces are selected with a view to attaining the stated objectives of this program. There are several phases and sub-divisions of this physical training program:

First, there is a required program for enlisted personnel. This provides that all enlisted men will be required to participate in specified and organized physical training activities several hours per week, plus daily participation in calisthenics. Close order drill and fatigue work are not considered to constitute physical training activities. The activities utilized include the entire gamut, from formalized calisthenics and running, to basketball, handball and other team and individual athletic games. The requirement emphasizes that the activities must be vigorous and strenuous in nature, and that every man must be active during the entire physical training period. Details of scheduling, planning and conducting the activities are left to the discretion of the individual unit commander.

You may think that this required program is too indefinite in organization. But you must remember that the training day in the Army Air Forces is not like that of the so-called "line" branches of the Army. Each unit may have duties and time schedules that differ from the other units. Physical training can not be scheduled