

wanted to see Colorado, and I am apt to be drafted any time. In fact, I am sure that I will get in the Army shortly. This defense work is strenuous. Certainly a repressed man needs a vacation.

So John resigned his job and hied himself to the Colorado mountains. He is going to apply for a job when and if he returns. They may take him back and again they may let him wait a while. But why should John worry.

I told one of the boys the story of the three old whittlers sitting on soap boxes in a country grocery store. One said, "Do you know that Marlene Dietrich is going to ride around the square on a white horse in the nude?" And one old fellow looked up and said, "Well, I have always wanted to see a white horse. I think I'll go to town."

So John has gone to Colorado, the obvious reason, of course, being to see Colorado. But you can't expect too much from one fellow.

Jack Ballard is another proposition. Jack thinks and acts for himself. Jack was registered and received his questionnaire. Now, Jack might be drafted at any time. He tried to enlist in the Army, the Navy and the Marines, but he is too tall. He was working out at the plant, also. The draft would take him at this height, but none of these other agencies would enlist him. So Jack comes to the University this past week, enrolled in two hours in the summer school, quits his job temporarily, and enlists in the Army Reserve here at the University. It was necessary before he could enlist to be registered. So he had to give up his job, but he arranged with his boss at the munitions plant to get a leave and he is going to return as soon as his school work is finished. I would say that boy is a boy! He knows where he is going and he really will amount to something very definitely.

Charlie Black could have enlisted in the same thing. I talked to his mother and asked her to call the registrar, Mr. Woodruff, and see what Charlie could get into. Mr. Woodruff is the coordinator for all arms of the service here at the University. Charlie's mother spoke to Charlie and he said, "Oh, we've got plenty of time." So last Saturday Charlie got notice of his examination for induction which is to take place tomorrow.

Of course he called me up and was quite anxious to do something, but the Army Reserve closed its enlistment on the 31st of July. Jack Ballard got in of his own initiative, together with what little help we could give him. But Charlie today is in Kansas City trying to get into the Marine Reserve, and that is his only hope. If he fails in that he will take his physical screening test tomorrow and be sent to Leavenworth in ten days for his induction. He is terribly