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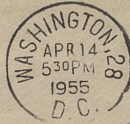
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Colonel Russell F. Al... AUS-Ret
4422 Macomb Street, N.W.,
Washington 16, D.C.,

~~T. G. F.~~
~~Important~~
~~Secret~~

Colonel Hart G. Foster, AUS-Ret
P.O. Box 1294
Tryon, N.C.,



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Dear Mr. [unclear]

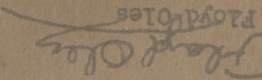
RESERVE EQUALIZATION COMMITTEE
Office of the Secretary
1016 So. 60th St.
Tacoma 6, Wash.

MEMO TO RETIRED RESERVE OFFICERS:

SUBJECT: Protection of potential right to retroactive pay.
In a footnote to Bulletin No. 6 we pointed out that the statute of limitations is running against many of us with respect to retroactive pay in event of success in our Court of Claims suit. Without a claim on file with the Comptroller General, the statute limits back pay to 6 years from the date of the decision; with such a claim on file, it will may be extended to 10 years of such back pay.

Therefore, we urge that those who have been retired 6 years, or are approaching six years of retirement, protect their potential right to full 10 years back pay by filing a claim with the Comptroller General, in substantially the wording suggested below. In so doing please note:

1. You will get a "push-off" letter or "Settlement Certificate", rejecting your claim, but giving you a claim number, which is all you are seeking.
2. **REMAIN THE COMP. GEN. LETTER** in your own files, as it is proof that you have such a claim on file. **DO NOT** send it to us, as it should remain in your own file for future use.
3. **DO NOT** seek to argue with the Comp. Gen. about the matter -- we are not trying to educate his office in their errors, which we hope they continue to make -- but just file away the reply for future use. The following form of letter will serve the purpose adequately:

Sincerely,

 Floyd Oles

Comptroller General of the U.S.
Washington 25, D.C.

Dear Sir:
I hereby make application for the difference between my retired pay which has been paid to me since the date of my retirement on [unclear] 19 [unclear] under Pub-Lic Law 810, 80th Cong., and that due me under the provisions of para. 4 of Sec. 15 of the Pay Readjustment Act of 1942, as re-enacted in the Career Compensation Act of 1949.

It is my contention that, under the provisions of the 1942 Act, I am entitled to receive 7 1/2% of my base pay in lieu of the lesser amount that has been paid me. I served in the armed forces of the U.S. prior to Nov. 12th, 1918, and as an officer "hereafter retired under any provision of law" am entitled to the 7 1/2% retirement provided by the paragraph above described.

Acknowledgement is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

Name:

Address:

Rank & Ser. No.:

---(END OF LETTER)---

4422 Macomb Street, N.W.,
Washington 16, D.C.
14 April 1917.

MEMO FOR--

Hazen Hoyt
Charlie Clark
Tom Chapman
Hart Foster ✓
Charles Donnelly...

Maybe each of you will find something in the inclosed plan for improved retirement provisions for W W I officers that appeals to you. Definitely there is agitation in Congress on this subject about which you no doubt are already aware.

If you like the principle of the plan and do not think the percentage is enough in your individual cases, why not add what you like, write your service organizations and members of congress what you want--- and also write other W W I officers you may know who will be interested in this.

My very best regards to all of you 'old dogs', and remember you can kick a pup and he will forget, but not an old dog.

Russ
Russell F. Albert
Colonel, AUS-Ret.

Regards to Florence -

THE WORLD WAR I OFFICER.

Over the years there has been some provision of law that, in effect, enables every officer, regular and reserve, who served in any capacity in the military or naval forces of the United States prior to November 12, 1918, to utilize more than 2½ per centum per year of active Federal service in computing his retired or retirement pay and attaining the maximum of 75 per cent, EXCEPT, reserve officers granted retirement pay under the provisions of Title III, Public Law 810, 80th Congress.

The Retired Officers Association in convention on November 29, 1954, adopted Resolution No. 11, which provides that all officers, regular and reserve, with W W I service, retired for any cause, should have their retired pay computed at 75 per cent of their active duty pay, provided they shall have served not less than fifteen full years of full time active service. One effect of this resolution would be to reduce the twenty years active Federal service prescribed in section 202, Title II, Public Law 810, 80th Congress, which many W W I reserve officers have or will soon attain.

There are many reserve officers who have failed or will fail to attain the twenty years of active Federal service prescribed in section 202, Title II, Public Law 810, 80th Congress, by a mere fraction of a year. Under the provisions of this section, either a W W I or a non-W W I officer, with twenty years of active Federal service, ten of which must be commissioned service, and thirty years of service for longevity pay purposes, will be retired with 75% and will be eligible to obtain medical service for himself and dependents. In contrast, the W W I officer with 19 years 11 months and 29 days of active Federal service, all commissioned, and thirty five or more years of total service, will receive retirement pay of about 56 % and be ineligible to obtain medical service even for himself. There are many W W I officers whose service falls short of the twenty years by only a few days, weeks or months. Generally, their retirement pay will amount to about 55% as any greater service automatically puts them under Title II, P.L. 810, 80th Congress, with 75%. THIS DIFFERENCE IN PERCENTAGE IS TOO MUCH FOR SUCH A SMALL DIFFERENCE IN SERVICE OVER ALL THE YEARS SINCE 1917.

Reserve officers, without W W I service, integrated into the regular establishment subsequent to W W II, will, in many cases receive the full 75%, although their total active Federal service will be less than that of many reserve officers with W W I service.

If the twenty year requirement of section 202, P.L. 810, 80th Congress, is reduced, those who fail to qualify under the reduced number of years, will also feel that they have been discriminated against. It is doubtful that Congress will authorize 75% to all officers eligible for retirement pay under Title III, P.L. 810, 80th Congress regardless of the number of years of active Federal service.

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If there is to be any modification of section 202, Title II, P.L. 810, 80th Congress, the proper method appears to be one that will result in giving graduated amounts according to years of active Federal service in order to assure fair treatment to all. This method would eliminate the large gap for a few additional periods of service between individuals as is now the case.

There is ample precedent to a proposal to increase the annual per centum of 2 $\frac{1}{2}$. The proposal of the Retired Officers Association would authorize up to 5 per centum per year. Section 202, Title II, Public Law 810, 80th Congress, authorizes up to 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ per centum per year and the officer does not have to be a W W I veteran. Section 24, National Defense Act of 1916 authorized 4 per centum for those (probably Spanish-American War veterans) integrated into the United States Army at an age of forty-five or over. Section 15, Pay Readjustment Act of 1942, lists percentages of 3 and 4 that have been authorized in the past.

The amount of money involved would not be large if every reserve officer, entitled to retirement pay under the provisions of Title III, P.L. 810, 80th Congress, who served in any capacity in the military or naval forces of the United States prior to November 12, 1918, were to be authorized to compute his retired pay at 4 per centum for each year of active Federal Service. Years of service computed on the point system would not be included.

Under the above proposal, the minimum number of years of active Federal service would be about four or retired pay of 16 per cent. This amount would be earned by an officer who accepted a reserve commission upon enactment of the National Defense Act in 1916, attained the age of 64 in 1936 or was dropped from the active list of the Officers Reserve Corps in that year with twenty years of satisfactory Federal service, and became eligible for the benefits of Title III, P.L. 810, 80th Congress, in July 1948. This person, if now living, would receive about 16 percent instead of 15 percent, and increase of 7 percent in retired pay. The increases would vary from the above 7 percent in retired pay to about 36 per cent in the instance of those who missed the 75% of Title II by a mere fraction of a year of service. AFTER ALL THESE YEARS OF FAITHFUL SERVICE SINCE 1917 THESE OFFICERS DESERVE THIS CONSIDERATION.

Accordingly, a further proviso to section 202, Title II, Public Law 810, 80th Congress, is proposed, as follows:

"Provided, further, any officer, who served in any capacity in the military or naval forces of the United States prior to November 12, 1918, heretofore or hereafter becoming eligible to receive retirement pay under the provisions of Title III of this Act, shall,

The W W I officer--3--

if he so elects, be retired under the provisions of this section with retired pay, from the date of such eligibility to receive retirement pay under Title III, computed at the rate of four(4) per centum for each full year of active Federal service, but not to exceed a total of seventy five(75) per centum of the active duty pay of the grade to which entitled."

RESERVE Equalization Committee

(Organized at Boston, Massachusetts, on 25 June 1955, to support Equalization of Benefits Legislation in the National Congress.)
(Conforming with Sec. 277, Title 10, U.S. Code)

BULLETIN NO. 6. EQUALIZATION OF RETIREMENT BENEFITS PROGRAM FOR 1959

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THE SITUATION. During the 85th Congress, we had to devote our efforts mainly to seeking to change Pentagon opposition to our Sparkman-Jackson-Huddleston Bills, S. 1085 & H.R. 689. Requested Dept. of Army opposing letters stalled us in Congress, not for lack of Congressional support which was and is heartening, but for fear of veto. After extensive research, we know for certain now that we can support our stand logically and conclusively, and we believe we have so convinced Pentagon, Executive and Congressional leadership.

DEPT. OF DEFENSE ATTITUDE. On 1 August 1958 the DOD forwarded a letter to the Senate Armed Services Comm. again opposing S. 1085. Besides merely relying on decisions of the Ct. of Claims in the Berry & Reynolds cases, it pitched its opposition principally on fiscal considerations, which obviously have no place in the consideration of this legislation. However, because of a subsequent communication, the matter appears to be under re-consideration, and may result in a different statement of policy from DOD. In any event, the door has been left open.

PROGRAM. It is agreed by our leadership and legal advisors that a two-pronged program is now our best chance of success; that is, re-introduction of our Bills in January, and concurrently a suit in the Court of Claims if Pentagon view remains opposed or indeterminate. There is substantial basis for confidence in this plan.

PREPARATIONS ALREADY UNDER WAY. While action depends on financial and moral support of affected Officers, we have anticipated such support, our Bills are ready for re-introduction in January, and arrangements for a Court of Claims case have been going on for some months. Senators Sparkman & Jackson, and Rep. Huddleston are prepared again to aid us, and are optimistic of results.

ORGANIZED SUPPORT for 1959 Equalization Bills has been pledged by many Service and Veteran groups, and many 1958 Natl. Convention Resolutions endorsed our Bills. Amongst active supporters: Amer. Legion, Adj. Gen. Assn., Catholic War Vets, Jewish War Vets, Natl. Guard, Naval Res. Assn., Regular Vets Assn., Reserve Officers Assn., Retreads, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Veterans of WW I.

PROGRAM FOR 1959. FIRST, renewed legislative effort on our Bills; SECOND, assurance of funds adequate to provide both legislative expenses and retainer and expenses and filing fees for Counsel and Court of Claims case; THIRD, authorization of as many supporting Officers as possible for REC to represent them in selecting Counsel and arranging fees, and FOURTH, selection of Counsel, and agreement with Counsel as to fees and expenses, details of which depend on number of participating Officers.

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WHY A LOT OF CO-PLAINTIFFS? Briefly, it reduces individual cost drastically, and gives each co-plaintiff a material advantage over those who merely sit on the side lines and "let George do it". Explanation:

Court of Claims cases are usually handled on a retainer plus percentage of first year's recovery, including retroactive pay. In this case, a truly staggering amount of retroactive pay is involved. If only a few participate as co-plaintiffs, the percentage part of the Counsel fee would be pretty high -- maybe 20%, maybe more. If as many as 1,000 take part, the percentage part of the fee could be as little as 1% or 2%.

Secondly, and just as important, when such a case is won by a plaintiff, he and all co-plaintiffs are able to get a "stipulated judgment". In other words, the co-plaintiffs get the same benefits as the original plaintiff, subject only to checking to find how much the Govt. owes each of them. The non-plaintiff, however, must probably go through the whole process again. This is because the Comptroller General, when he comes running into his money, admits promptly that he must pay the winning plaintiffs, but refuses to pay those similarly situated who were not involved in the case. Each non-plaintiff, therefore, would have to make his own claim for retroactive pay and revision of current pay, hire his own counsel, and perhaps sue out his own case in the Court of Claims individually. He would probably win it, but at a high cost and after much delay. Hence, it is desirable to get as many as possible of our eligible Officers to join as co-plaintiffs in the original case.

PREPARATION OF COURT OF CLAIMS CASE. Foreseeing the necessity, work has been going on for several months on such preparation. An enormous volume of work has been, and still is, involved. I have myself (I am no lawyer, just taking orders from our legal minds) spent almost numberless hours and days in the Library of Congress, Senate Library, in the offices of the Armed Services Committees and of cooperating Congress Members (our Sponsors and Reps. Fulton, Tollefson, Wainright, several others), digging out material which our volunteer legal advisors feel to be pertinent. Some results of this investigation are both astonishing and promising. There are several aspects, much testimony, and many facts and records which have never before been presented to the Court of Claims, and which may well change its views favorably. It is not easy to get any Court to reverse itself, but in view of the evidence, the record and the testimony now available, it is estimated by our best legal minds that we have a better than 50/50 judicial prospect.

CONCLUSION. This Bulletin, No. 6, in this long but climaxing battle, now goes out to all 6500-plus Officers on our list. We believe, after years of effort to find them all, that this includes very close to all eligibles, who include all those described, in the words of the 1942/1949 Pay Acts as entitled to retired pay of 75% of base pay if they come within the definition of:

"any officer of any of the services x x x x x who served in any capacity as a member of the military or naval forces of the United States prior to November 12, 1918, hereafter (*) retired under any provision of law."
(* i.e., after June 16, 1942.)

Action and its timing to effectuate your rights must depend on the promptitude and volume of your support. We must anticipate a certain falling off due to faint-heartedness as well as to attrition, but there will be an increase of support due to the feeling expressed by many of our supporting Officers that a new Court of Claims case is a necessary part of our 1959 strategy -- a view with which most of us have long been in agreement, but an action which had to await the research and preparation only now available.

WHAT TO DO NOW.

- (1) Sign the enclosed form authorizing REC to represent you in selecting Counsel and arranging fees and expenses;
- (2) Prepare a check or money order for at least \$25.00 payable to "RESERVE EQUALIZATION COMMITTEE";
- (3) Return both in the enclosed postage-paid envelope.
- (4) If you want to support our legislative effort, and do not wish to subscribe the full amount to become a co-plaintiff, we will still appreciate and usefully employ any help you can offer through a smaller amount.

WE WILL THEN

- (A) Get Equalization Bills re-introduced in January, and use every effort to bring about their early enactment into law;
- (B) Select Counsel to represent all of us, arrange fee and his expenses, and contingent (percentage) fee on the best basis, dependent on the number willing to join in the effort;
- (C) Include as co-plaintiffs all those responding favorably.

PROMPTITUDE SPEEDS ACTION: You are urged to DO IT NOW, since it seems probable that Court case should be filed early in the New Year, and only prompt action will ensure your own inclusion in that case.

ADDRESS OF SECRETARY: From 1 January 1959 my own address will be 200 "C" Street S.E., Washington 3, D.C. -- but all mail to Tacoma address will be forwarded promptly to Natl. Capital.

Confidently yours,

Floyd Oles, Lt. Col., USAR-Ret.,
Secretary.

ENCLOSURES: Authorization form,
Return envelope.

P.S. If you are at, or approaching, ten (10) years of retirement, write me personally for form to be filed to protect your full ten years of retroactive pay in event of favorable Ct. of Cls. decision.

RESERVE EQUALIZATION COMMITTEE.
1018 South 60th Street
Tacoma 8, Washington

Greenfield 4-7288

June 8, 1959

PROGRESS REPORT TO CO-PLAINTIFFS AND CONTRIBUTORS:

THREE COURT OF CLAIMS CASES have been filed by our Counsel on May 29th. They are numbered 235-59 (Army), 236-59 (Air Force) and 237-59 (Navy). They include 722 co-plaintiffs.

DON'T WORRY if your name is not amongst those thus far filed -- by request of the Court itself we have sub-divided the filing into several consecutive cases. Therefore, no one case can correctly be labelled the "original case". All of them are equally "original cases".

FIRST THREE CASES include most all of those retired long enough (around 6 years or more) so that the statute of limitations poses a hazard to their receipt of full back pay in event we win. Thus, first three suits include mostly the "old-timers", though some such will also be included in later suits, since not all "old-timers" have been fully checked with official records.

SUBSEQUENT CASES will be filed during next 60 days, so that we will in due course include all the 1700-plus officers now potentially qualified as co-plaintiffs.

COPIES OF THE PETITIONS will be sent to all Vice-Chairmen -- we do not have enough for co-plaintiffs, and cost would be excessive. The Petition is a relatively short document, merely setting forth our contention in simple and brief language. The "brief", which will be far from brief, will come along later.

CHECKING OF INDIVIDUAL SERVICE RECORDS against official Department records is what takes up lots of time and effort, even research. We have to make sure, one by one, that the co-plaintiff officers are really retired with pay right now, and under what law, on what date, and with correct serial number. All this takes lots of time and patience, but it is nearing completion as to the original 1700-plus.

SOME REMARKABLE RESULTS have already developed from this individual record-checking. We have "in the mill" right now over 100 officer records where we have to find out the reason for various discrepancies in their status -- a few not retired at all, many retired with less pay than entitled to have, many denied benefits already coming to them under existing law as presently interpreted. We have catalogued these cases under the names of the Court cases which apply to them; i.e., Seagrave Cases, Sarles Cases, Tanner Cases, etc. We have been able to show dozens of such officers how to recover anywhere from a couple of months' pay up to several thousands of dollars, even under existing interpretations of law. We get a lot of satisfaction out of this, but such checking takes time and requires much letter-writing back and forth, and research in numerous cases.

ESTATE CASES. Inevitably there have developed several cases where officers have died after signing up as co-plaintiffs. In each case where the survivor, usually the widow, so wishes, we substitute her for the officer, after assuring that she is the qualified administratrix. We have, of course, instances where others than widows are administrators, and we substitute them. Estates are entitled, if we win as we hope and expect to do, to whatever benefits the officer had accrued up to the time of his death.

WE STILL HAVE PROBLEMS, but we are working them out. There are officers who are not retired but should be; officers who have been denied credit for certain service and we must help them to get such credit; and many similar situations. These cases we have to handle by direct correspondence with the officer concerned, often with the help of the local Vice-Chairman.

OUR COUNSEL is Col. George H. Foster, USAR-Ret., formerly for some 12 years a Commissioner of the Court of Claims, and a nationally recognized authority in the field of military retirement law. His article in a recent issue of "ANAF JOURNAL" was reprinted, and most of you have seen it. He has been ably assisted by several other eminent lawyers, three of whom have in the last several months prepared independent briefs on the subject of this claim. These briefs are being used and consolidated into the brief which Col. Foster will finally prepare for submittal to the Court.

PROBABLE COURSE OF EVENTS. The Government has 60 days to answer our Petition. They might also appeal to the Court for more time, might get maybe another 30 days, bringing us up to September. The nature of their response is hard to estimate in advance. They may simply admit our Petition in part and deny it in part, and let the matter go before the Court in its October term. They may choose to make a motion to dismiss, and accompany it with a brief, which would call for a reply brief from us, by about October 1st. We are prepared to meet any move with the appropriate counter-move.

Since the Court of Claims is in recess from mid-June to October 1st, it is clear that no actual Court hearing can be had before October. There is, however, no backlog to clutter up the Court's docket, so we can presumably get the case set for hearing fairly promptly after the Court re-convenes in October. It is conceivable that we might get a decision yet this year, hence before Congress re-convenes in January, 1960. It is more likely, however, that Congress will again be in session before a decision is given us.

POSSIBLE COMPROMISE PROPOSALS. Since it is always possible to amend a Bill in Congress, and impossible to amend a Court decision, it is clear that the Government, if so minded, might move to amend the Sparkman-Jackson-Huddleston Bills to grant us the 75% retired pay voted in 1942 and 1949, but with strings attached to reduce the cost. Major possibility presumably would be a proposal to eliminate back pay in return for passing a law to grant the 75% retired pay forthwith to all who would waive their rights to back pay. How many would accept this, and how many would insist on going through with the Court case, is problematical. Obviously, all the widows would go through with the Court case, since all they would have in view would be back pay. So, perhaps, might many others. Still, such a Bill would get a lot of takers, and would certainly reduce the cost to the Government by the amount of the back pay of those who accepted its provisions. We have no idea that any such proposal may be offered, but it might, and we should have it in mind. It is clear that any Bill the Congress would enact would be less costly to the Government than our winning of the Court case. We ourselves, however, are sticking strictly to our guns, on the ground that there is no compromise with principle.

OUR LEGISLATION. Dated 22 April 1959, Department of Army, acting for DOD, submitted a new letter to Congress, opposing our Bills. Whereas previous letters have sought a logical ground for opposing us, this time the Department went all-out, and irrespective of facts and even of truth, in an effort to prejudice Congress against us by misleading the readers of the letter. It is a deceptive and constructively dishonest letter, copies of which we have sent to Vice-Chairmen, with our own comment on it -- it is too bulky for general distribution. While Congressmen and Senators long ago learned to take Pentagon utterances with a liberal dose of salt, this is, quite frankly, the most specious and misleading letter we have ever seen from that source. Members of the Congress will doubtless recognize this, but will also realize that it would be impossible to pass a Bill in this Session over such bitter-end and

ruthless opposition.

For this reason, we who have to guide policy here feel that our best move now is to defer legislative action, or any attempt at such action, until the second Session of this Congress. By that time, we may have a Court decision rendering legislation needless; if not, it is likely that the pending Court action may bear favorably on our efforts next January.

LOSSES AMONGST OUR LEADERSHIP. As most of you know now, we lost, through death from a heart attack, our Chairman, Col. HAROLD D. LeMAR, of Omaha, on May 10th. A lawyer and business man, Col. LeMar had been ever since 1955 a counsellor and leader on whom we relied heavily, and his passing is a severe blow to us all. Two of our Vice-Chairmen, also, have died in recent months; Col. McShane of Pennsylvania, and Capt. Sherwood of Connecticut. We note their passing with deep regret, and extend to their families our sincere sympathy.

PROGRAM FROM HERE ON:

1. Continued filing of additional cases, both of those already qualified and of those who will come in hereafter, as fast as individual records can be checked and verified; (All cases will of course be consolidated in the final hearing by the Court.)
2. Contact with those not yet qualified as co-plaintiffs, primarily a responsibility of Vice-Chairmen, to assure that none are left out who want to be co-plaintiffs.
3. Removal of our Headquarters from Washington, D. C. to Tacoma, Washington. (Correspondence can be handled as well, and more economically, from there.)
4. Preparation of Brief for later submittal to the Court. (Primarily a task for our Counsel, it involves also a truly tremendous research task, in which many others are necessarily impressed into service, and indeed have been for many months.)
5. Actual presentation of Court case, presumably in October term of Court of Claims.

All Vice-Chairmen and Co-Plaintiffs will be fully and timely advised of developments.

RESERVE OFFICERS ASSN. CONVENTION takes place in Denver, Colorado, June 24th through 27th. It is expected that a large proportion of our Vice-Chairmen will be there, many of them being also Members of the Committee on Retired Reserves, of which your Secretary is still Chairman! An REC meeting will be scheduled for some time during that Convention, at which time a verbal report will be made to all interested officers, all of whom are invited to attend.

REMOVAL OF REC HEADQUARTERS TO TACOMA, WASHINGTON. Following the ResOA Convention in Denver, your Secretary and his hard-working wife will return to Tacoma, Washington, and will conduct our official REC business from there. Mail should therefore be addressed as follows, after mid-June:

RESERVE EQUALIZATION COMMITTEE,
1018 South 60th Street
Tacoma 8, Washington.

Following the Denver Convention, Mrs. Oles and I expect to be in Tacoma by mid-July. After the grind of the last several months, mostly 7 days a week, we hope to relax and go fishing for a couple of weeks, before the next round. Please don't expect much correspondence, therefore, once we leave Washington, D.C., until August.

Floyd Oles
Floyd Oles, Secretary.

HEADQUARTERS
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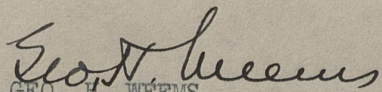
SUBJECT: Letter of Appreciation

TO: Lt. Colonel Hart G. Foster, 0123331, Ordnance
Headquarters Georgia Military District
699 Ponce de Leon Avenue, N. E.
Post Office Box 1736
Atlanta, Georgia

1. I regard with regret the termination of your long and fruitful tour of duty with this organization. During that period of approximately one (1) year, you aided in the organization of the post-war Organized Reserve Corps Program in the state of Georgia. During that time, your every effort has been directed toward the successful accomplishment of our mission - to organize and to train effectively our Reserve Units.

2. The success of this headquarters in the execution of our mission is due, in a very large measure, to your loyal and efficient work.

3. I take great pride and satisfaction in extending to you my own thanks and appreciation for this splendid performance of duty as Unit Instructor.


GEO. H. WEEMS
Brigadier General, US Army
Commanding

304 ORDNANCE H M CO (ARMY)
699 Ponce de Leon Ave N E
Atlanta, Ga

23 March, 1950

TO: Lt Col HART G FOSTER

1. It is with regret that the Officers and Enlisted Men of this Organization have learned of the expiration of your tour of duty as Instructor for Ordnance Units, Organized Reserve Corps, Atlanta, Ga.

2. During the past year we have enjoyed our pleasant association with you, and feel that a large percentage of the success that we have attained may be attributed to your guidance and council.

3. We take this opportunity to wish you much success and happiness in your new assignment, and extend to you a cordial invitation to visit us whenever the opportunity presents itself.

WITH SINCERE BEST WISHES
Members, 304 Ord H M Co

ORGANIZED RESERVE CORPS

CERTIFICATE OF INDIVIDUAL PERFORMANCE OF RESERVE DUTY

1. FROM: (reporting agency) **Unit Instructor**
Ga Mob Des Det #1 (Hq 3d Army) (Prov)
699 Ponce de Leon Ave, NE, Atlanta, Ga

DATE
12 Sep 50

2. TO: (Office maintaining reservist's records)

Unit Instructor
Ga Mob Des Det #1 (Hq 3d Army) (Prov)
699 Ponce de Leon Ave, NE
Atlanta, Ga

3. LAST NAME - FIRST NAME - MIDDLE INITIAL: **FOSTER, Hart G**

4. GRADE: **Colonel**

5. SERIAL NUMBER: **0-123331**

6. ARM OR SERVICE: **FA-USAR**


7. INDIVIDUAL'S ASSIGNED ORGANIZATION (If different from office of addressee)
Same

8. I CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE NAMED INDIVIDUAL PERFORMED EQUIVALENT APPROPRIATE SUITABLE OTHER
 (check applicable box) DUTIES, TRAINING OR INSTRUCTION ON THE DATES AND FOR THE HOURS INDICATED AS AUTHORIZED BY
 (cite authorization):

SR 140-180-5

A. DATE			B. HOURS	C. RETIREMENT POINTS	D. NATURE OF DUTIES, TRAINING OR INSTRUCTION
DAY	MONTH	YEAR	B	C	D
1	Sep	50	2	1	Attended assembly at Carralton, Ga of 448 Dump Trk Co and 571 Pro Dist Co. Subject: Movement ----- NO ENTRY BELOW THIS LINE -----

9. TYPED NAME, GRADE AND POSITION OF CERTIFYING OFFICER
ROY GLISSON JR
Major, AGC
Unit Instructor

10. SIGNATURE OF CERTIFYING OFFICER


FOR CUSTODIAN OF INDIVIDUAL RESERVIST'S RECORDS

POSTED TO RETIREMENT AND RETENTION POINT RECORD. PAY DATA EXTRACTED NOT APPLICABLE

RESERVE Equalization Committee

(Organized at Boston, Massachusetts, on 25 June 1955, to support Equalization of Benefits Legislation in the National Congress.)

(Conforming with Sec. 277, Title 10, U.S. Code)

CHAIRMAN
COL. GEORGE BYERS, USAF-RET.
3104 Corby Blvd.
South Bend, Indiana 46615
Central 3-8835

SECRETARY
LT. COL. FLOYD OLES, USAF-RET.
1018 South 60th Street
Tacoma, Washington 98406
Greenfield 4-7205

Tacoma, Washington
November 11, 1965

A FURTHER PROGRESS REPORT:

This Report is made following the adjournment of the First Session of the 89th Congress, where legislation to restore justice in retired pay to our World War I group achieved substantial progress, but not the completion which must await the next Session, starting in January.

DISTRIBUTION OF THIS REPORT, in order to up-date our mailing file, is being made to all our colleagues who have exhibited an interest in this effort in the past. To recapitulate, these men are those military retirees who served in any of the Armed Forces of the U.S., in any capacity, prior to Nov. 12, 1918, and who subsequently retired with pay "under any provision of law." As you all know, Congress in 1942, and again in 1949, provided for such retirees a basis of retired pay in the amount of 75% of the base pay of their grade and length of service at time of retirement. It is our aim to secure for these men, and for their dependents and survivors, the correct amount of retired pay through the effectuation of that law as written and intended by the Congress. For reasons of necessary economy, distribution of subsequent Progress Reports must be limited to those who indicate a continued interest.

AIMS OF OUR CURRENT EFFORTS HAVE INCLUDED the enactment of legislation

- (a) conferring jurisdiction on U. S. District Courts to hear and render judgment on our pay cases, an aim which we accomplished last year through the enactment of Public Law 88 - 519; and
- (b) waiving such impediments to those Court cases as are posed by lapse of time, statutes of limitation, any prior court decisions (res judicata), and the low present maximum limit of recovery.

It is the aim of our 1965-1966 legislative program to secure the enactment of laws providing the waivers described in para. (b) above. This will clear the way for the essential test cases in U. S. District Courts. Those cases, under the direction and supervision of the Reserve Equalization Committee, will be prepared and presented in appropriate District Courts following the conclusion of our legislative program.

THE ASHMORE-SIKES BILLS, H. R. 5268 and H. R. 5436, in the House of Representatives, seek to waive lapse of time and statutes of limitation, etc. We were granted a full-scale hearing on these bills, in a friendly atmosphere, on June 9, 1965. We have assurance from members of the committee having these bills in charge that they will be given a favorable report, but up to the end of the First Session of this Congress, following the hearing, the committee has been unable to muster a quorum with which to transact business on public bills of this kind. We had hoped right up to the last moment of this Session that such a quorum could be obtained, but it now appears that final action by the committee must go over to January. We have very firm confidence in the favorable outcome of such committee action.

A BILL by SENATOR JAVITS of New York, S. 1587, was our major effort in the Senate in this Session. It is a bill designed to expand the jurisdiction of U. S. District Courts from the \$10,000 limitation imposed in 1887 to a new, expanded limitation of \$50,000, in order to take into account the claims of our more elderly retirees. We were fortunate in securing for this measure the official endorsement of the Judicial Conference of the U. S., and the favorable action of the Senate Judiciary Committee. The bill passed the Senate unanimously on August 18, 1965, and prompt action by the House is anticipated in the next Session. It was the necessity for my own testimony before the Senate Judiciary Committee, in support of this bill, that made it impossible for me to attend the Reserve Officers Association 1965 Convention in Detroit.

THE HART BILL, S. 2375, was introduced on our behalf by Senator Philip A. Hart of Michigan on August 6, 1965. It is identical with the Ashmore-Sikes bill in the House, and was introduced primarily to assure, so far as is possible, an identity of terminology between Senate and House bills, to avoid a conference, and thus to expedite enactment. Action on this bill, of course, must also await the second Session of the Congress.

FILING OF CLAIMS IN U. S. DISTRICT COURTS will be a program to be followed as soon as we complete work on our legislative bills. Any such filing prior to that time would lack both the essential advantages of the waiver bills now pending, and also would be limited by the currently meager money jurisdiction of U. S. District Courts, which jurisdiction will be expanded by enactment of our current Congressional bills. We continue to discourage individual District Court actions at this time, as we propose to present a carefully-planned program of test cases in selected District Courts as soon as we can do this under the most favorable conditions.

OTHER LEGISLATION AFFECTING OUR GROUP has also engaged our active attention during the First Session of the 89th Congress. The more important of such measures are listed herewith, together with a statement of their present status.

1. THE 1965 MILITARY PAY ACT, which has become law, as your own pay will have revealed, had our active support, particularly in its retired-pay aspects. As you will note, the law as enacted anticipated by many months the previously-effective increase date of 1 April 1966. I feel that our activity, in close cooperation with the Reserve Officers Assn., had some favorable bearing on securing Senate-House coordination.
2. CONCURRENT RECEIPT OF VA COMPENSATION AND RETIRED PAY IN CERTAIN CASES. This bill, introduced at our request by Rep. Glin Teague of Texas, Chairman of the House Veterans Affairs Committee, was given a hearing on April 27, 1965. I appeared on behalf of our REC Committee, and also on behalf of the Reserve Officers Assn., in its support. It remains before that Committee, which thereafter devoted itself primarily to the VA Compensation increase bill, H. R. 168, which finally was enacted into law. There can be no action on the Teague bill until January. We will continue to support it actively.
3. RECOMPUTATION OF RETIRED PAY, if and when enacted, would bring about the recomputation of all retired pay on the basis of the most recent, hence most generous, military pay bill. The proposal has received support from the present Army Chief of Staff, and from Chairman Mendel Rivers of the House Armed Services Committee, and remains also a mandate of the Reserve Officers Assn. I believe that favorable action may fairly be anticipated in the next Congressional Session.
4. RETIRED SERVICEMAN'S FAMILY PROTECTION PLAN, formerly the Uniformed Services Contingency Options Act, contains an inequity in that the withheld portion of retired pay is still income-taxable, and the annuity for widows and other survivors remains

subject to inheritance tax. H. R. 10625 by Rep. Wilbur Mills, Chairman of the House Ways & Means Committee; and an identical bill, H. R. 10741, by Rep. Charles S. Gubser of California, a long-time champion of retiree rights, has now been approved by Mr. Mills' Committee, and passed the House unanimously on Oct. 21, 1965. A tremendous amount of work has been put into gaining agreement on this bill's terminology amongst the many Government agencies involved, and I fully anticipate successful enactment next year. It is especially important in proposing to relieve widows of inheritance tax on the annuities provided under this Plan by their military-retiree husbands.

5. NON-REVOCAION OF RETIREMENTS, AND CERTIFICATE OF QUALIFICATION. We have long been seeking legislation to prevent the revocation of retirements once properly granted, which has often happened by reason of subsequent new rulings, regulations or law, retroactively applied. The numbers of our colleagues affected are small, but the effect is devastating on those affected. A bill to correct the situation is H. R. 5297, sponsored by Rep. Edward F. Hebert of Louisiana. After conferences too numerous to detail here, I feel I have finally secured agreement amongst all affected Governmental agencies on the bill's terminology, and it seems probable that favorable Congressional action may be anticipated in early 1966.
6. WAIVER OF COLLECTION OF ERRONEOUS PAYMENTS. H. R. 449 by Rep. Gerald Ford of Michigan, and H. R. 3029, H. R. 3030 and H. R. 3031 by Rep. Robert T. Ashmore of South Carolina, would solve this problem, one to which we have devoted much thought and effort. What we are seeking is authority for the appropriate agencies to "forgive" the collection from retirees, or from their widows, of amounts allegedly paid in error to the retiree during his lifetime, where the fault lay with the disbursing agency, and not with the recipient. It is not a large problem in point of numbers, but it is a very acute one with those affected, who include some of our good colleagues. I think that, with continued effort, this measure can be enacted into law next year, and I am much encouraged by a recent favorable report on the bill from the Air Force, representing DOD.
7. MEDICARE, and elimination or reduction in the 8-year Active Duty requirement, is a long-standing objective, and a Reserve Officers Assn. mandate. Bills to achieve this end are pending, in particular one by Rep. Gubser of California, but all have been deferred to next year pending enactment of the general medical care measure now passed. I feel that the subject will be renewed next year, and we shall support efforts to that end.

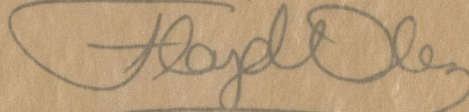
THERE ARE NUMEROUS MINOR BILLS which bear on smaller segments of our retiree group, and I have used my best efforts in support of any of those which affect any of our comrades. In all of this, I should add, I have had the firm support of the Reserve Officers Association, of whose Committee on Retirement I am still the Vice-Chairman.

FINANCES. As might well be expected, we have come close to the bottom of the barrel, and must again appeal to you for financial support. This has been a long and exhausting struggle, but it is evidently nearing completion in its legislative aspect, following which we will have to organize and supervise the necessary test cases in U. S. District Courts. Another \$25.00 contribution from each of you, whose financial condition warrants it, should suffice to see us through to a successful conclusion. Some of you were able to be more generous than above suggested last year, and we hope you can again lend similar support for this concluding phase.

S U M M A R Y

I feel that we are close to a final and successful conclusion of this project in the 89th Congress. We seem to have no opposition worthy of the name, and our supporters are amongst the most able, outstanding and potent Members of both Senate and House. Our major House bills, the Ashmore - Sikes bills, have had a favorable and friendly hearing; and a favorable Committee Report, and subsequent favorable House action, seems reasonably to be anticipated. Our principal bill in the Senate, the Javits bill, successfully passed the Senate, which would seem to augur well for similar House action early next year. I find myself disappointed that the flood of Administration "must legislation" pushed virtually all other bills into the background in the First Session of the 89th Congress, but such was the common lot of most all non-Administration bills. The compelling reason for working through the Judiciary Committees and later through the U. S. Courts, rather than via strictly military legislation, is that our procedure by this means covers both back pay and future pay, including estates of our departed colleagues. In this procedure we have followed the counsel of the ablest minds in the Congress on whose advice we have continuously relied. I think that we can conclude the legislative program in early 1966, and then get down to the essential test cases promptly thereafter.

Sincerely yours,



Floyd Oles, Lt. Col., USA-Retired,
Executive Secretary

ALL COMMUNICATIONS SHOULD BE ACCOMPANIED BY CARBON COPY AND ADDRESSED TO

TO INSURE PROMPT ATTENTION
IN REPLYING REFER TO:

NO. _____

ATTENTION OF
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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF ORDNANCE
WASHINGTON, D. C.

22 MAR 1950

Lt Colonel Hart G. Foster
225 S. Ashland Avenue
Lexington 37, Kentucky

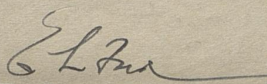
Dear Colonel Foster:

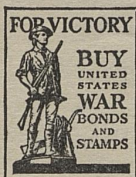
Upon the occasion of your leaving the Service, I wish to express to you the appreciation of the Department for the contribution which you have made to the accomplishment of the Ordnance mission.

I hope that your interest in the Ordnance Department over the years will remain ever active, just as will our interest in all of you who have served with us.

With all good wishes to you for your continued success, I am

Sincerely yours,


E. I. FORD
Major General, USA
Chief of Ordnance



WAR DEPARTMENT
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE
WASHINGTON

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In Reply
Refer to AG 201 Foster, Hart Gibson
(12-8-38) WW

SUBJECT: Longevity Pay.

TO: Lieut. Col. Hart Gibson Foster, FA- Res.,
Room 315,
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Washington, D. C.

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By order of the Secretary of War:

Adjutant General.

A TRUE COPY OF THE ORIGINAL:

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1917-OCS; 1917-1918-Ft Meyer, VA (9 mos); 1918, 155th FA Brig, France (3 mos); Btry Comdr, 1918-1919 (6 mos); 1919-28th FA, 10th Div; 1925-2 wk ORC AD Trng; 1925-Student Sch of Fire, FA (3 mos); 1926-2 wk ORC, AD Trng; 1927-WD Gen'l Staff, Wash, DC (6 mos); 1931-2 wk ORC AD Trng; 1932, 2 wk ORC AD Trng; 1933, 2 wk ORC AD Trng; 1934, 2 wk ORC AD Trng; 1935, 2 wk ORC AD Trng. Inactive to 2/15/41.

2/15/41	9/23/42	2120	Bn Off, Exec Off	FARC, Ft Bragg, NC
9/24/42	2/19/43	9301	Ass't to C/S - G-2	AAFTIC, Knollwood, NC
2/21/43	8/20/43	2136	CO - 72d Trng Wing	72 Trng Wing, AAF
8/20/43	12/31/43	2136	CO - Wing	12th Trng Wg, Jeff Bks
1/1/44	4/30/44	2136	Wing Commander	Hq Sq BTC #1, Jeff Bks
3/10/44	6/30/44	2136	Section Commander	AAB, Sioux Falls, SD
7/1/44	11/23/44	2136	Section Commander	AAB, Sioux Falls, SD
11/24/44	3/12/45	2136	Section Commander	AAB, Sioux Falls, SD
3/12/45	5/31/45	2136	Sqdn Com & Comit of Students	AAB, Sioux Falls, SD
5/31/45	6/30/45	2260	Personnel Management Officer	Chanute Fld, Ill.
7/1/45	7/23/45	2260	Personnel Management Officer	Chanute Fld, Ill.
7/24/45	9/6/45	5754	Personal Affairs Officer	Chanute Fld, Ill.
9/7/45	10/9/45	5754	Personal Affairs Officer	Chanute Fld, Ill.
10/10/45	12/14/45	2120	Administrative Officer	Chanute Fld, Ill.
12/15/45	12/31/45	2120	Administrative Officer	Amerillo AAF, Texas
1/1/46	2/11/46	2120	Administrative Officer	Amerillo AAF, Texas
2/12/46	2/25/46	2520	Training Officer	Amerillo AAF, Texas
2/26/46	3/6/46	5754	Personal Affairs Officer	Amerillo AAF, Texas
3/7/46	4/29/46	5754	Personal Affairs Officer	Amarillo AAF, Texas
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8/1/46	8/19/46		Pool - awaiting reasgmt	Aberdeen Pr Gr, Md.
8/20/46	12/31/46	2120	Ch, Adm Br - Trans Off	Pic Ars, Dover, NJ
1/1/47	6/30/47	4000	Supply Off Gen & Trans Off	Pic Ars, Dover, NJ
7/1/47	5/1/48	4000	Supply Off Gen & Trans Off	Pic Ars, Dover, NJ
5/1/48			Ch, Insp Div	Pic Ars, Dover, NJ
8/17/48			Ch, Civ Pers Br	Pic Ars, Dover, NJ

War Department
Washington, 24 January, 1941.

SPECIAL ORDERS)
No. 19)

EXTRACT

65. By direction of the President under the authority contained in Public Resolution No. 96, 76th Congress, approved 27 August, 1940, Lieutenant Colonel HART GIBSON FOSTER (O-123331), Field Artillery Reserve, is ordered to active duty, effective 15 February, 1941. On that date he will proceed from Washington, D. C., to Fort Bragg, North Carolina, reporting to the Commanding Officer, Field Artillery Replacement Center, for duty. Lieutenant Colonel Foster will rank from 19 December, 1940. He will be relieved from duty in time to enable him to arrive at his home on 14 February, 1942, on which date he will revert to inactive status. The travel directed is necessary in the military service. FD 1323 P15-0621-0284-1378-0700-0730 A 1505-01 and 2.

By order of the Secretary of War:

G. C. MARSHALL,
Chief of Staff.

OFFICIAL:

E. S. ADAMS,
Major General,
The Adjutant General.

A TRUE COPY:

Walter Stoser
WALTER STOSER,
Major, Air Corps,
Adjutant.

F-51
July 31, 1942

HEADQUARTERS THIRD SERVICE COMMAND
UNITED STATES ARMY
Baltimore Maryland

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE FOR UNIFORM & EQUIPMENT ALLOWANCE

Records of this Headquarters show that
Lt. Col. Hart Gibson Foster FA:Res.
originally accepted appointment in the Officers Reserve Corps
on 4-9-19
He entered on active duty 2-15-41
as a Lt. Col.

Since original appointment, and previous to his current tour of active duty, he completed the following tours of active duty:

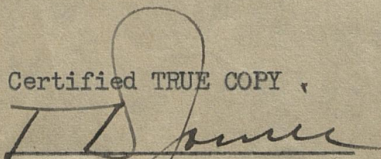
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8-9-31	8-22-31
7-17-32	7-30-32
8-13-33	8-26-33
7-1-34	7-14-34
7-21-35	8-3-35
XXX	XXX

The records of this Headquarters further show that he has not previously been paid any monetary allowance under the provisions of the Act of May 14, 1940, as originally approved.

For the Commanding General:

/s/ JESS H. MANN
/t/ JESS H. MANN
1st Lt., AGD
Civ Comp Br, Pers Div

Certified TRUE COPY ,


T. D. JOINER
Colonel, G.S.C.
September 25, 1942

AAF PERSONAL AFFAIRS STATEMENT
(See *Instructions)

NAME Hart G. Foster RANK Lt. Col. ASN 0-123331
(First) (Middle) (Last) (City) (State)

Date entered active duty (this tour) 15 Feb. 41; 27 years' service completed on 23 Oct. 1944; Date of birth 2 Sept. 1890

Permanent address 225 South Ashland Ave. Lexington, Ky.
(Street and number) (City) (State)

The status of my personal affairs reviewed with the assistance of the Personal Affairs Officer at 3507th AAFBU
Sioux Falls Army Air Field, Sioux Falls, South Dakota

on 18 May 1945 is indicated below.

NOTE.—Boxes checked indicate items accomplished or disposed of as of last date shown on this form.

Boxes not checked indicate items that may require further attention.

1. GOVERNMENT LIFE INSURANCE.

(a) I have (now in force or applied for) \$ 10,000 USGLI
 NSLI

on the endowment plan, effective September 1943

(b) With the additional disability benefit on \$ _____

(c) And am paying a total premium of \$ 80.70 Mo/ Oct/SA/Ann, payable by direct remittance allotment,

effective September 1943

(d) The beneficiaries designated on my Government Life Insurance are:

Principal Mrs. Florence Jones Foster Wife \$10,000
(Name) (Relationship) (Portion)

Contingent _____
(Name) (Relationship) (Portion)

(e) The conversion privilege has been explained to me, and I have converted

\$ _____ USGLI, effective _____

\$ _____ NSLI, effective _____

2. COMMERCIAL LIFE INSURANCE.

(a) I have requested the A. G. O. to notify the following insurance company (s) in the event of my death.

Amount of Insurance	Name of Company	Home Office Address
\$ _____	<u>Guardian Life Insurance Company</u>	<u>New York City, New York</u>
\$ _____	_____	_____
\$ _____	_____	_____

(b) I have made Class E Allotment(s) to the following company(s).

Name of Insurance Company	Allotment Effective Date	Amount
_____	_____	\$ _____
_____	_____	\$ _____
_____	_____	\$ _____

(c) I have placed the following life insurance under the protection of the Soldiers and Sailors Civil Relief Act.

\$ _____ Life Insurance Company.

(d) The beneficiaries on my commercial life insurance contract (s) listed in paragraph 2 (a) above are:

Principal Florence Jones Foster Wife
(Name) (Relationship)

Contingent _____
(Name) (Relationship)

3. PUBLIC RECORDS. My beneficiaries now possess certified copies under seal of the applicable records listed below.

(a) The public record of my marriage.

(b) My/my wife's divorce decree and court orders.

(c) My/my wife's/my children's adoption papers.

(d) Birth certificate for each of the following: My wife, children, father, mother, sisters, brothers, myself.

4. CLASS B ALLOTMENT FOR THE PURCHASE OF WAR SAVINGS BONDS.

I have made Class B Allotments as follows.

Finance Officer U. S. Army at	Amount	Authorized Effective	Terminated Effective
_____	\$ _____	_____	_____
_____	\$ _____	_____	_____
_____	\$ _____	_____	_____

5. CLASS E ALLOTMENT FOR DEPENDENTS.

I have made a Class E Allotment in the amount of \$ _____ monthly, effective _____, and payable _____

To/Cr. _____ Relationship _____

Bank _____

Address _____ Terminated effective _____

6. FAMILY ALLOWANCES (ENLISTED PERSONNEL ONLY).

A monthly Family Allowance for my dependents has been applied for, effective with the pay due me for the month of _____

Case No. X- _____

- 7. JOINT OWNERSHIP OF PROPERTY WITH RIGHT OF SURVIVORSHIP.
The advantages have been explained to me.
- 8. JOINT CHECKING ACCOUNT WITH RIGHT OF SURVIVORSHIP.
Wife Mrs. Florence J. Foster and I have with the Riggs National Bank (DuPont Circle Branch) (bank), at Washington, D.C. a checking account owned "jointly with right of survivorship."
- 9. GENERAL POWER OF ATTORNEY.
I have executed a general power of attorney, dated _____, naming Mrs. Florence J. Foster (Wife) my attorney in fact.
- 10. WILL FOR OFFICER/ENLISTED MAN.
I have executed a will (dated _____) which is located in my Wife's possession
- 11. WILL FOR WIFE/HUSBAND.
The advantages have been explained to me.
- 12. LIFE INSURANCE ON WIFE/HUSBAND.
My wife/husband has in force on her/his life \$ _____ life insurance, payable to _____ (Name) _____ (Relationship)
- 13. EMERGENCY ADDRESSEE. (IMPORTANT.—See note to Emergency Addressee below.)
(a) The person I desire to be notified in event of an emergency is Florence J. Foster Wife (Name) (Relationship) at _____ (Street and number) _____ (City) _____ (State)
(b) On _____, I executed a WD AGO Form No. 43 recording the designation shown in paragraph 13 (a) above.
(c) My religious preference is: Protestant, Catholic, Hebrew.
- 14. SIX MONTHS' GRATUITY. Lexington, Ky.
On 26 May 1945, I designated Mrs. Florence J. Foster 225 30. Ashland Ave. Wife (Name) (Address) (Relationship) (first beneficiary) to receive any Six Months' Gratuity to which he/she may be entitled. (WD AGO Form No. 41-Off.; WD AGO Form No. 22-EM.)
- 15. PERSONAL INFORMATION FILE FOR THE SAFEKEEPING OF MY RECORDS.
I have been advised of the importance of maintaining a bound file containing copies of all records pertinent to my military service.
- 16. PAY AND FLYING STATUS.
(a) My status as to all items of pay and allowances has been checked.
(b) Orders detailing me to flying duty (rated personnel) and orders detailing me to duty involving flying:
Hq. _____
O. _____
Par. _____
Date _____
- 17. INCOME TAX.
The effect of military service on my Federal Income Tax liability has been explained to me.
- 18. LEGAL MATTERS.
I have been advised of the legal assistance facilities available to military personnel.
- 19. PERSONAL AFFAIRS STATEMENT AND SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION.
I have received a copy of this Statement and information regarding Arrears in Pay, Six Months' Gratuity, War Time Pensions, Government Insurance, etc.
- 20. OTHER MATTERS. (Record of: Soldiers' Deposits and any other solely owned savings and checking accounts; location of safe deposit box, etc.)

I request that a copy of this Statement, together with a copy of WD Benefit Guide booklet (when available), be forwarded to my wife Mrs. Florence J. Foster at delivered by myself

NOTE TO EMERGENCY ADDRESSEE.—If I am overseas, it is important that you communicate any change in your address to The Adjutant General, Washington 25, D. C., Attention: Casualty Branch. In any such communication, include my name, grade, Army Serial Number, and last known APO number.

Witnessed by: *[Signature]* Signature HART G. FOSTER Lt. Col., Air Corps Social Security No. _____
(Signature, Grade, ASN of Personal Affairs Interviewer)

IDA S. FRAIMOW 1st Lt., Air Corps L-304715		REVIEW RECORD		RUTH H. HARRIS 2nd Lt. AC L-609583	
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AMARILLO ARMY AIR FIELD
Amarillo, Texas

27 Apr 46

OFFICERS' CLEARANCE CHECK CERTIFICATE

NAME Foster, Hart G GRADE 1st Col ASN 723331
ORGANIZATION _____ SO # _____ PAR _____

Bring all papers acquired at places below, back to Officers' Section

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| <p>1. SPECIAL ORDERS
Message Center, Hdqs</p> <p>2. REPORT OF SURVEY
Hdqs
<u>J. T. Quinn Jr. 1st Lt. A.C.</u>
(Signature)</p> <p>3. SIGNAL CORPS SUPPLY
Bldg 701, Ext 233 ⁶⁰⁵ <i>via phone</i>
<u>H. John Steeb 1st Lt. A.C.</u>
(Signature)</p> <p>4. OPERATIONS (Rated Officers' Only)
Hanger 750
AAF Form 5 Up to date _____
AAF Form 8 Up to date _____
Orders bestowing ratings _____
Orders Flying Status _____
AAF Form B up to date _____
2AF Transition Record _____
Above will be mailed to new Sta.

(Signature)</p> <p>5. PERSONAL EQUIPMENT OFFICE
Bldg 600 (Rated Off Only)
<u>[Signature]</u>
(Signature)</p> <p>6. OFFICERS' MESS
(All Accounts Settled)
T2110 Ext 490
<u>L. W. J. Nelligan</u>
(Signature)</p> <p>7. Physical Tng Office
AAF Form 28-A Given to Off.
T2110 Ext 622
<u>[Signature]</u>
(Signature)</p> <p>8. PUBLIC RELATIONS
T1519 Ext 485
<u>[Signature]</u>
(Signature)</p> <p>9. SIGNAL OFFICE
T1411 Ext 291
<u>Capt. J. A. Carny</u>
(Signature)</p> | <p>10. FINANCE OFFICE
T1411 Ext 591
Off. Has in possession the fol.
5 copies current LA SO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
WDAGO 77, up to date <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Copy of allotment effective
this month <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Cert. of Service <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Pay voucher this month
has been drawn <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Partial payment has
been requested <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<u>R. D. Wade</u>
(Signature)</p> <p>11. POST LIBRARY
T1020 Ext 272 SPECIAL SERVICE LIBRARY
<u>1st Lt. Lester H. Boehlauer</u>
(Signature)</p> <p>12. SQUADRON SUPPLY OFFICER
AAF Form 121 given Off.
<u>[Signature]</u>
(Signature)</p> <p>13. IMMEDIATE C O All Accounts
pertaining to property & Unit
funds are settled.
<u>[Signature]</u>
(Signature)</p> <p>14. FLIGHT SURGEON
T216 Ext 244
<u>[Signature]</u>
(Signature)</p> <p>15. PERSONAL AFFAIRS
T214 Ext 424
<u>[Signature]</u>
(Signature)</p> <p>16. AAF SUPPLY
T32 Ext 551
<u>Beatrice Clary</u>
(Signature)</p> <p>17. QUARTER MASTER OFFICE
T32 Ext 297
<u>Beatrice Clary</u>
(Signature)</p> |
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18. POST ENGINEER
T130 Ext 275

James E. Howard *AC*
(Signature)

19. TRANSPORTATION OFFICE
T112 Ext 552

John C. Zupanic
(Signature)

20. ORDNANCE SUPPLY
T4 Ext 369

John [unclear]
(Signature)

21. CWS WAREHOUSE
T4 Ext 369

Robert L. Davis
(Signature)

22. STATION HOSPITAL ADJ.
MD Officers' only
T500 Ext 201 Sta #

[unclear] *AC*
(Signature)

23. DENTAL CLINIC (Hosp)
Ext 201 Sta 76

Carl Anderson *AC*
(Signature)

24. ACCOUNTABLE PROPERTY OFF.
ONLY. Report to Director of
Supply and Maint., Post
Engineers. All Accounts Settled

[unclear]
(Signature)

25. UNIT FUND CUSTODIANS
T1022

[unclear]
(Signature)

26. I Certify that this officer
has properly cleared this
station and that he has a
sealed envelope containing
pertinent records.

Dean P. Bow
Pers. Proc. Officer
OFFICERS' SECTION
AC

27. I certify that I have no outstanding accounts of Signal, Post Library, Engineer Property, CWS Property, Publications Control Property, Or Organizational property, that all personal and official obligations to government and civilians agencies have been paid, that I have received the forms in the above certificate, and that I will Sign the register at Post Headquarters Before departure from this station.

Harold G. Foster
(Name)

Col. AC
(Grade) (Branch)

SECTION "A"
3507TH AAF BASE UNIT
SIOUX FALLS ARMY AIR FIELD
Sioux Falls, South Dakota

HGF/jmw

5 June 1944

PERSONAL HISTORY

NAME: Foster, Hart G. ASN: 0123331 DATE OF BIRTH: 2 Sep 1890
RANK: Lt. Col., AC DATE OF RANK: 19 Dec 1940
DUTY: Section CO STATION: SFAAFld COMMAND: AAFETC

A. EDUCATION: (Schools and dates)

1. Phillips Academy, Andover, Mass, June 1910.
2. Sheffield Scientific School of Yale University, Chem-Eng, June 1913.
3. Reserve Officers' Training Camp, May to Aug 1917.
4. Field, Artillery School of Fire, Fort Sill, Okla., 12 Sep 1925 to 14 Dec 1925.

B. MILITARY SERVICE: (Assignments, places and dates)

1. Candidate Reserve Officers' Training Camp, 14 May 1917 to 13 Aug 1917.
2. Commissioned 2nd Lt. FA Reserve, 15 Aug 1917. Reported Camp Lee, Va., 313th Field Artillery Regiment of 80th Division, 27 Aug 1917. Assigned Battery C, 1st Battalion, duties Supply Officer. Attended regimental schools, firing data, equitation, 80th Divisional Gas School, Battalion Officers' Mess.
3. Embarked overseas, 26 May 1917. Landed Bordeaux. Promoted 1st Lt. 31 July 1918. Attended Special School of Fire, 155th Field Artillery Brigade, Redon. Special duty, Baggage Salvage Officer. Returned as instructor U.S., arriving 26 Aug 1918.
4. Casual, awaiting orders 32nd Field Artillery, Fort Meade, Md. Assigned 28th Field Artillery Reg., 10th Div., Camp Funston, Kans. Assigned instructor, Reg. Firing School, instructor Regimental Equitation School. Promoted Capt. 2 Nov 1918.
5. Assigned command Battery E, 28th Field Artillery Regiment.
6. Discharged 8 Feb 1919. Accepted commission Capt., FA Reserve, 9 April 1919. Attended School of Fire, Fort Sill, 12 Sep 1925 to 14 Dec 1925. Promoted Major, FA Res. 13 June 1926. Served Member of War Dept. Gen'l Staff G2 sec'y, 15 Feb 1927

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to 14 Aug 1927. Attended seven tours of two weeks, on duty Ft. Knox, Ky, on C.P.X. problems, tactical maneuvering and firing of FA Battalions, which was a part of the 1st Battalion of 3rd FA Reg. Promoted Lt. Col., 17 July 1932. Ordered report to extended active duty 24 Jan 1941, WD S.O. 19, par 65. Reported for duty 15 Feb 1941. Executive 3rd FA Tng. Reg. 18 Feb 1942, placed on Gen'l Staff Corps eligible list, by order of Sec of War.

7. Assigned to duty with Air Corps, and assigned by WD S.O. 251, par 10, 16 Sep 1942 to duty with Hqs, AAFPTTC. Assigned as AC of S-G2. Assigned BTC No. 7, AATTC, Atlantic City, N. J., 20 Feb 1943.
8. Assumed command Provisional Training Wing A, 25 Feb 1943. This wing was later activated as the 72nd Training Wing. Additional duty, President Exchange Council. To April 1943, assumed command BT Div. BT Div. inactivated 1 May 1943. Entrained 72nd Tng Wing, personal parties and officers, for Jefferson Barracks, Mo. Arrived 3 Aug 1943.
9. 8 Aug 1943, 72nd Training Wing, less one group, was ordered to take over Moss Hollow rifle range to be built up, tents erected, and camp conditions installed for receiving trainees to be instructed for firing record courses.
10. Reld fr 72nd Tng Wg and asgd to 12th Tng Wg 19 Aug 43, SO231, P 136.
11. Reld as Summary Court Officer, 20 Aug 43, SO 232, P 50.
12. Assumed command of 12th Tng Wg, 21 Aug 43, Wg Order 18.
13. Board of 1 O. for property adjustment, 25 Aug 43, SO 237, P 97.
14. Bd for prevention and control of respiratory diseases, 11 Nov 43, SO 315, P 83.
15. Bd for control of Venereal Disease, 18 Nov 43, SO 322, P 27.
16. Assumed command of Jefferson Barracks (Temp), 21 Nov 43, GO 76, P 1.
17. GCM (Detail for the Court), Hq, 2nd Dist., 19 Nov 43, SO 99, P 5.
18. B/O to review all recommendations for Legion of Merit Award, 23 Nov 43, SO 327, P 29.
19. B/O to recommend plan for giving Venereal Treatments, 30 Nov 43, SO 334, P 69.
20. Assumd command of Jefferson Barracks (Temp), 30 Nov 43, GO 81, P 1.
21. T/O to submit recommendations to improve the method of treatment of Venereal Patients, 17 Jan 44, SO 17, P 89.
22. B/O to investigate death of Gilbert A. Vetter, 25 Jan 44, SO 25, P 25.
23. B/O to promote 1st and 2nd grade NCO, 25 Jan 44, SO 25, P 113.
24. General Courts Martial Board, Hq, 2nd Dist, 29 Jan 44, SO 25, P 5.

Personal History, Lt. Col. H.G. Foster, (Cont'd), 5 June 1944.

25. Commendation for Col. Lewis, Post CO, 3 Mar 44, letter - 201.
26. Assumed, after leave of absence, command of JB, 13 Mar 44, WG O 48.
27. Aptd member of GMC to meet at Gulfport for trial of Lt. Col. Geoffrey H. Bonnell, Hq 2nd Dist, 21 Mar 44, SO 78, p.17.
28. Assumed command of JB (Temp) 21 Mar 44, SO 78, par 17.
29. Informed of convening of Court, 27 Mar 44, Tel 3-27-44.
30. Travel authorization to General Courts Martial 28 Mar 44, SO 88, P 34.
31. Maj. Richardson assumed command during Temp Absence, 3 Apr 44, O 56, P 1-12TW
32. Commendation from Col. C. R. Lewis, 7 Apr 44, Letter - 201.
33. Assumed command of Wg on return from Temp Absence, 8 Apr 44, O 58 P 1-12TW.
34. B/O for Recl. of Officers, Appointment of, 11 Aug 43, letter.
35. B/O for Reclassification of Officers, 18 Jan 44, Letter.
36. Aptd to Committee to Review Eff. Rtg. of Co. Grade Officers, 24 Mar 44, Letter.
37. Force Commander, Flood Relief Emergency Plan, 14 Apr 44, Ltr.
38. Asgd 36th Training Gp, BTC#1, AAFTTC, Revoked by SO 111, P 25, 20 Apr 44, SO 111 P 48.
29. Asgd Hq BTC#1, AAFTTC, 20 Apr 44, SO 111, P 25.
30. Transfer SFAAFld, Sioux Falls, S. Dak., SO 119, P 32, Jeff. Brks, No. 28 Apr 1944.
31. Reported SFAAFld, 10 May 1944.
32. Detailed CO, Section "A", per SO 132 P 17, 3507th AAF BU (TS) SFAAFld, Sioux Falls, S. Dak., 11 May 44.
33. Detail for GCM, 23 Sep 44, SO 261 pp 13, Hq AAFTTC
34. Detail for GCM, 20 Oct 44, SO 288 pp 10, Hq, AAFTTC
35. Detail for GCM, 3 Apr 45, SO 90 pp 1, Hq, AAFTTC
36. Reld Sq A, Asgd Sq B, Detailed Commandant of Students, 7 May 45
50 PM 93, pp 1, Hq SFAAFld.
37. Reld Asgmt SFAAFld, trfd Chanute Fld o/a 30 May 45, SO 146 pp 39
26 May 45.

72ND TRAINING WING
BASIC TRAINING CENTER (NO. 7)
ARMY AIR FORCES TECHNICAL TRAINING COMMAND
ATLANTIC CITY, NEW JERSEY

HGF:me

14 June, 1943

1. I certify this to be the active duty periods served according to War Department Records.

<u>FROM:</u>	<u>TO:</u>
15 Aug, 1917	8 Feb, 1919
14 Jun, 1925	28 Jun, 1925
12 Sep, 1925	14 Dec, 1925
13 Jun, 1926	27 Jun, 1926
15 Feb, 1927	14 Aug, 1927
9 Aug, 1931	22 Aug, 1931
17 Jul, 1932	30 Jul, 1932
13 Aug, 1933	26 Aug, 1933
1 Jul, 1934	14 Jul, 1934
21 Jul, 1935	3 Aug, 1935
15 Feb, 1941	To date

HART G. FOSTER
Lt.Col., A.C.
Commanding

PERSONEL, HISTORY OF COL. HART G. FOSTER
FIELD ARTILLERY- RESERVE.

L# 14 August 1946

Name Foster, Hart G. ASN O-123331 Date of Birth 2 Sept. 1890
Rank Lt. Col F.A. Date of Rank 19 December 1940 permanent.

Lt. Col. Temporary for continued service under Category I.

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OFFICE, W. D. LIAISON OFFICER
THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
SUITE 115, HOUSE OFFICE BUILDING
WAR DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF STAFF

WASHINGTON 25, D. C.


11 July 1946

MEMORANDUM FOR: Captain F. H. Desormeau,
Room 5D 768, Pentagon Building,
Washington 25, D. C.

1. Colonel Hart G. Foster, 0123331, Field Artillery, is now on terminal leave which expires 13 August 1946.

2. This officer, who was stationed at Amarillo Army Air Field, Texas, on 11 January 1946 made application to be placed in Category I. Apparently no action was ever taken on this application and the officer was eventually ordered to a separation center for separation from the service and is now on terminal leave expiring the date indicated. Colonel Foster is an officer of the Field Artillery who has been on duty with the Army Air Forces. The fact that he has been on duty with the Army Air Forces, no doubt, is the reason why he was directed to be separated from the service, as it is my understanding it is the policy of the Army Air Forces to separate a large number of officers by reason of age and certain other limitations. Colonel Foster's record in the Army is outstanding, and he desires to remain in the service. If, therefore, no action can be taken by the War Department on his request to be placed in Category I, the officer desires to make application for extended active duty.

3. I consider the case of Colonel Foster an unusual one, deserving careful consideration by the War Department. Any assistance you can render to Colonel Foster in the matter of his application for extended active duty will be greatly appreciated.



WM. F. PEARSON,
Colonel, General Staff Corps,
Liaison.

Hq Amarillo AAFld Texas, 4 Feb 46, Subj: Recom for RAD of Surplus Officer

AG 201 - FOSTER, Hart G (O)

6th Ind

9E/rl-P

Headquarters, AAF Technical Training Command, Scott Field, Illinois

TO: Commanding Officer, Amarillo Army Air Field, Amarillo, Texas

1. For necessary action.
2. Three copies of orders transferring officer to separation center will be forwarded this Headquarters (Attn: A-1, Separation Control Section).

BY COMMAND OF BRIGADIER GENERAL HORNSBY:

2 Incls:
n/c

/s/ William F. Knotts
WILLIAM F. KNOTTS
2nd Lt, AGD
Asst. Adj. Gen.

A TRUE COPY:

Eugene M. Willis
EUGENE M. WILLIS
1st Lt, Air Corps
Asst Personal Affairs Officer

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Asst. Personal Affairs Off. AMARILLO ARMY AIR FIELD
AMARILLO, TEXAS

HEADQUARTERS

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201-FOSTER, Hart G. (Off)

4 February 1946

SUBJECT: Recommendation for Relief from Active Duty of Surplus Officer

THRU: Commanding General, AAF Technical Training Command, 455 Lake Avenue, St. Louis 8, Missouri

Commanding General, AAF Training Command, Texas & Pacific Bldg, Fort Worth 2, Texas

TO: Commanding General, Army Air Forces, Washington 25, D. C.

1. It is recommended that Lt Colonel Hart G. Foster, O 123 331, AC, be relieved from active duty under the provisions of Sec II, Circular 290, WD, 1945.

2. The following information is furnished on the above named officer:

- a. Date the officer reported on extended active duty, his age, adjusted service rating score as of 2 September 1945, and his duty assignments for which he is qualified by training and experience and by civilian occupational background are contained in appropriate items on a complete and up-to-date copy of his qualification record (WD AGO Form 66-2), which is attached to this letter.
- b. This officer desires to be retained on active duty.
- c. A surplus exists in this command of officers of his particular grade or any higher grade who are qualified to fill the aforementioned duty assignments.
- d. He is entitled to separation under honorable conditions.
- e. No disciplinary action or reclassification proceedings under AR 605-230 are pending or appropriate.
- f. No hospital disposition board or Army retirement board proceedings are pending or believed to be appropriate.

- 2 Incls
1. Ltr and Ind
2. WD AGO Form 66-2
(True Cy)

s/ Joel G. O'Neal
JOEL G. O'NEAL
Colonel, AC
Commanding

201- Foster, Hart G.

4th Ind

PMP-1-B

Hq. Army Air Forces, Washington 25, D. C., 29 March 1946

TO: Commanding General, AAF Training Command, Barksdale Field, La.

1. Approved.
2. Recommend relief from active duty under provisions of Sec II, Cir. 290 WD, 1945.

BY COMMAND OF GENERAL SPAATZ:

2 Incls:
n/c

s/ Clifford E. Cole
CLIFFORD E. COLE, Lt. Col., A. C.
Chief, Assignments Section, Off. Br. MPD
Office of Asst. Chief of Air Staff - 1

201-Foster, Hart G.

5th Ind

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Headquarters, AAF Training Command, Barksdale Field, Louisiana 8 Apr 1946

TO: Commanding General, AAF Technical Training Command, Scott Field,
Illinois

1. Forwarded for necessary action in view of preceding 4th Indorsement.
2. Two (2) copies of orders transferring subject officer to separation center will be forwarded direct to the Commanding General, Army Air Forces, furnishing this headquarters information copy.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL HODGES:

2 Incls - n/c

s/ G. J. Callahan
G. J. CALLAHAN
Major, A.C.,
Actg. Asst. Adj. Gen.

A TRUE COPY:

Eugene M. Willis
EUGENE M. WILLIS
1st Lt, Air Corps
Asst. Personal Affairs Officer

6-5873, AF

B/Amarillo AAFld, 4 Feb 46, subj "RAD of Surplus Off)

201-FOSTER, Hart G. (Off)

3d Ind

39E

Headquarters, AAF Training Command, Fort Worth 2, Texas 15 Feb 1946

TO: Commanding General, Army Air Forces, Washington 25, D. C.
ATTN: Officers Branch

1. Recommend approval.
2. Surplus exists in this command of officers in his particular grade or any higher grade, who are qualified to fill the duty assignment of subject officer.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

2 Incls - n/c

s/ G.J. Callahan
G. J. CALLAHAN
Major, A.C.
Actg. Asst. Adj. Gen.

A TRUE COPY:

Eugene M. Willis
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1st Lt, Air Corps
Asst. Personal Affairs Officer

201-Foster, Hart G. (Off)

1st Ind

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HEADQUARTERS, AMARILLO ARMY AIR FIELD, Amarillo, Texas, 4 February 1946

TO: Commanding General, AAF Technical Training Command, 455 Lake Avenue,
St. Louis, Missouri

Forwarded in compliance with basic communication.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

2 Incls
n/c

BOYD E BAUN
Captain, AC
Adjutant

AG 201-Foster, Hart G. (Off)

2d Ind

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Headquarters AAF Technical Training Command, 455 Lake Avenue, St. Louis
8, Missouri, 12 February 1946.

TO: Commanding Officer, AAF Training Command, Fort Worth 2, Texas.

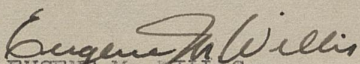
1. Approval recommended.
2. Surplus exists in this command of officers of his particular grade or any higher grade, who is qualified to fill the duty assignment of subject officer.
3. Services of subject officer are not necessary in this command.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

2 Incls
n/c

s/ William F. Knotts
WILLIAM F. KNOTTS
2nd Lt., ACD
Asst. Adj. Gen.

A TRUE COPY:


EUGENE M. WILLIS
1st Lt, Air Corps
Asst. Personal Affairs Officer

HEADQUARTERS
AMARILLO ARMY AIR FIELD
AMARILLO, TEXAS

16/ve

26 January 1946

SUBJECT: Relief From Active Duty of Officers Who Desire Retention
TO : Lt Col Hart G. Foster, O 123 331

1. In compliance with AAF Letter 35-305, 14 January 1946, the following information is forwarded to you:

a. Applicability. All measures taken in demobilization up to the present time have concerned only those officers eligible for and desiring relief from active duty. Further reductions must be accomplished, however, in order to arrive at a troop strength equivalent to that authorized for the interim air force. Therefore, it will be necessary to recommend a number of officers for relief from active duty in accordance with the following limitations, regardless of their desire for further retention, as they may have indicated by signature of a category I, II, III, or IV statement:

(1) Action To Be Taken Prior to 10 February 1946. All officers who have reached, or are above, the following ages as listed by grade, with exception of those listed in (2) below, will be recommended for relief from active duty by their immediate commanders prior to 10 February 1946:

Colonel - 48 years; Lt Colonel - 45 yrs

Major - 42 yrs; company grades - 40 yrs

(2) Action To Be Taken Prior to 10 March 1946. All Officer personnel who have been placed on permanent limited service status, with the exception of those listed below, will be recommended for relief from active duty by their immediate commander prior to 10 March 1946.

The AAF will require a substantial number of officers for extended active duty, in addition to those officers who are selected for appointment in the Regular Army. (For planning purposes the War Department has approved a tentative AAF troop basis of 400,000 of which approximately 62,000 will be officers. It is anticipated that initial Regular Army officer strength of the AAF will be approximately 8,200.) It is desired to retain on extended active duty those officers who are best qualified in their specialities from among those officers who have indicated their desires for such retention by signature of category I, II, III, or IV statements referred to in sec IV, Cir 366, WD, 1945. If the number of officers desiring continued active duty exceeds the number required for the finally approved troop basis, steps will be taken to relieve from

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active duty those officers surplus to such requirements. Separate implementing instructions will be issued at that time concerning officers who have become surplus and who will be recommended for relief from active duty in accordance with their past records of service, efficiency indices, and other factors.

EXCEPTIONS (to 1 and 2 above)

- (1) The provisions of this Letter do not apply to Medical Department officers.
- (2) Officers engaged in contract termination, renegotiation, and statutory readjustment activities.
- (3) Former permanent warrant officers of noncommissioned officers who meet all the following requirements:
 - (a) Perform their duties as commissioned officers in such manner as to warrant continuation on active duty; and
 - (b) Have 12 years continuous service on 1 January 1946, inclusive of commissioned, warrant officer, and enlisted service; and
 - (c) Were permanent warrant officers or permanent noncommissioned officers of the first three grades in the Regular Army at the time they were commissioned and called to their present tour of active duty.

2. Each officer affected by this letter will reply by indorsement hereon within 10 days from date of receipt. If officer desires to remain on active duty, his indorsement will contain reason therefore and assignment preferred as to duty desires, qualifications therefore and preference for assignment to AGF and ASF in order of preference.

BY ORDER OF COLONEL O'NEAL:

BOYD E. BAUN
Captain, AC
Adjutant

A TRUE COPY:

Eugene M. Willis
EUGENE M. WILLIS
1st Lt, Air Corps
Asst. Personal Affairs Officer

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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATION AND SERVICES, Amarillo Army Air Field, Amarillo, Texas, 2 February 1946.

TO: Commanding Officer, Amarillo Army Air Field, Amarillo, Texas.

1. Signed Category I.
2. Present commission is Lt. Colonel, Field Artillery Reserve.
3. Requested duty with Air Corps September 1942.
4. Have functioned in inactivation of B.T.C. #7, Atlantic City, New Jersey, B.T.C. #1, Jefferson Barracks, Mo., Sioux Falls Army Air Field, Sioux Falls, S.D., and presently Amarillo Army Air Field, Texas.
5. Civilian occupation as housing consultant for Public Buildings Administration in selection of building sites for Army, Navy, and Industry - 1940. Underwriting Division FHA consisted of supervising field office procedures, i. e., land planning property values, architectural and structural design, subdivision analysis, and credit analysis.
6. Request assignment to Army Service Forces or Army Ground Forces, where it is believed my services can be of greater use with regard to housing analysis on future installations.
7. Qualified for Overseas.

s/ Hart G. Foster
HART G. FOSTER
Lt. Colonel, Air Corps

A TRUE COPY:

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Asst. Personal Affairs Officer

PERSONEL HISTORY OF COL. HART G. FOSTER
FIELD ARTILLERY- RESERVE.

L# 14 August 1946

Name Foster, Hart G. ASN O-123331 Date of Birth 2 Sept. 1890
Rank Lt. Col F.A. Date of Rank 19 December 1940 permanent.

Lt. Col. Temporary for continued service under Category I.

A. EDUCATION: (Schools and Dates).

1. Phillips Academy Andover, Mass June 1910.
2. Sheffield Scientific School of Yale University, Chemistry 1913
3. Reserve Officers Training Camp, Ft. Myer, Va. May- Aug. 1917.
4. Field Artillery School of Fire, Ft. Sill Okla, 12 Sep-14 Dec. 1925

- B.
1. Candidate Reserve Officers' Training Camp, Ft. Myer Va., 14 May 1917-13 Aug. 1917.
 2. Commissioned 2nd Lt. FA Reserve, 15 Aug. 1917. Reported Camp Lee, Va. 31st FA Reg't., 155 FA Brig., 80th Div. 27 Aug 1917. Assigned Btry C, 1st Bn. Supply Officer. Attended Reg't Schools, firing data, equitation, 80th Div. Gas School. Add. duty Bn. Mess Off.
 3. Embarked overseas- Newport News, Va. 26 May 1918. Landed Pouillac near Bordeaux, France. To Camp Genecarte-to training area Redon Brittany, France. Attended special school of fire, 155th FA Brig. Special duty Brigade Salvage Officer. Returned to U.S. as Instructor 26 August 1918. Promoted 1st Lt. as of July 31, 1918. Sent to Camp Meade Md. to await orders and attached to 32 FA Reg't. Assigned 28th F.A. Reg't, 10th Div. Camp Funston, Kansas. Asst. Instr. Reg't Firing School, Instr. Reg't Equitation school. Promoted Captain 2 Nov. 1918.
 4. Assigned to Command Btry E, 28th FA Reg't.
 5. Discharged 8 Feb 1919. Accepted Capt. Res. 4 April 1919.
 6. Attended School of Fire Ft. Sill, Okla. 12 Sep 1925-14 Dec. 1925.
 7. Promoted Major F.A. Res. 13 June 1926.
 8. Ordered to active duty G-2 Section War Dept General Staff 15 Feb. 1927-15 Aug. 1927.
 9. Attended seven two weeks periods of training at Ft. Knox, Ky. on CPX Tactical maneuvers and firing in connection with the 3rd F.A. Reg't.
 10. Promoted Lt. Col. 17 July 1927* 1932.
 11. Placed on WD Eligible list of GSC by order Sec. War. letter dated 18 Feb. 1932.
 12. Ordered to extended active duty 15 Feb. 1941 by WD SO 19 Par 65 dated 24 Jan 1941.
 13. Assigned executive officer 3rd Training Reg't, FARTC Ft. Bragg, N.C. Also served as BN* Exe. Investigating Off. Rec. Off. Athletic Off.
 14. Requested assignment to Hq. AAFITC. Assgnd. 16 Sep. 1942 per WD SO. 291 Par 10, Knollwood Field N.C. Assigned AC/s G-2 Se 22 Sep 1942-20 Feb. 1943.

PERSONEL HISTORY OF COLONEL HART G. FOSTER
FIELD ARTILLERY -RESERVE.

24 July 1946

NAME Foster, Hart G. ASN O-123331 DATE OF BIRTH 2Sep 1890
Rank Lt. Col FA DATE OF RANK 19 Dec 1940 permanent.

A. EDUCATION: (Schools and Dates)

1. Phillips Academy, Andover, Mass. June 1910.
2. Sheffield Scientific School of Yale University, Chemistry 1913
3. Reserve Officers' Training Camp, May -Aug 1917.
4. Field Artillery School of Fire, Ft. Sill Okla. 12 Sep 1925 to 14 Dec. 1925.

B. Military Service Assignments, places, dates from contents of 201 file

1. Candidate Reserve Officers' Training Camp, Ft. Myer, Va. 14 May 1917 - 13 Aug 1917.
2. Commissioned 2nd Lt. FA Reserve, 15 Aug 1917. Reported Camp Lee, Va. 313th FA Reg't of 80th Div. 27 Aug 1917. Assgnd Btry C, 1st Bn. Duty Supply Officer. Attended Reg't Schools firing data, equitation, 80th Div. Gas Sch. Add Dty Bn Off. Mess Officer.
3. Embarked Overseas from Newport News, 26 May 1918. Landed Bordeaux, France. Rest Camp Genecarte-training at Redon, ~~Returned~~ Attended special school of fire, 155th FA Brig. Special Duty. Brigade Salvage Officer. Returned as Instructor to U.S. 26 Aug 1918. Promoted to 1st Lt. as of July 31, 1918.
4. Casual, Awaiting orders att. 32nd FA, Fort Meade, Md. Assgnd 28th F.A. Reg't 10th Div. Camp Funston Kansas. Assist. Instr. Reg't Firing School, Instructor Reg't Equitation school. Promoted Capt. 2 Nov. 1918
5. Assigned command Btry E, 28th FA Reg't.
6. Discharged 8 Feb 1919. Accepted Commission Capt. FA -Reserve 9 April 1919. Attended School of fire Ft. Sill, Okla. 12 Sep -14 Dec 1925. Promoted Major FA-Res. 13 June 1926. Served as member War Dep't GCS G-2 Section 15 Feb 1927- 14 Aug 1927 Attended seven (7) tours of two weeks, on duty Ft. Knox, Ky on CPX problems, tactical maneuvering and firing of FA Bns. which was apart of the first Bn of 3rd FA Reg't. Promoted Lt. Col. 17 July 1932.
7. Ordered to report of extended active duty 24 January 1941 WD S.O. 19 Par. 65. Reported for duty 15 Feb. 1941. Placed on GCS eligible list by order of Sec. War. 18 Feb 1932.
8. Assigned as executive officer 3rd Repl Training Reg't, Field Artillery Replacement Training Center, Ft. Bragg, N.C. Served as Reg't Exec., Bn Exec. Investigating Officer, Rec. Pro, Athletic O.
9. Requested assignment to Air Corps and was assgnd by War Dep't S.O. 291 Par. 10 dated 16 Sep 1942 to duty with the AFTTC, Hq. Knollwood Field, N.C. Assgnd ac/s G-2 22 Sep 1942- 20 Feb 1943.
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HEADQUARTERS, TWELFTH TRAINING WING
ARMY AIR FORCES TECHNICAL TRAINING COMMAND
BASIC TRAINING CENTER NO. 1
JEFFERSON BARRACKS, MO.

21 April 1944

STATEMENT OF COMMISSIONED SERVICE

I, Hart Gibson Foster, Lt. Col., AC (FA Res), 0-123331, certify that the following dates indicate my commissioned service:

15 August 1917	to	8 February 1919	2d Lt, 1st Lt, & Capt.
9 April 1919	to	23 March 1924	Capt Res.
3 April 1924	to	Date	Capt, Maj, & Lt. Col, FA Res.

HART G. FOSTER
Lt. Col., AC (FA Res)

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201 - LT COL HART G. FOSTER, 0123331, AC

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| 1. Reld fr 72nd Tng Wg and asgd to 12th Tng Wg | 8-19-43 | SO 231, P 136 |
| 2. Reld as Summary Court Officer | 8-20-43 | SO 232, P 50 |
| 3. Assumes command of 12th Tng Wg | 8-21-43 | Wg Order 18 |
| 4. VOCO confirmed (Prim dy as Wg Comdr) | 8-25-43 | SO 237, P 96 |
| 5. VOCO confirmed (Board of 1 O. for property adjustment) | 8-25-43 | SO 237, P 97 |
| 6. Amendment to SO 237, P96 (Aptd Wg Comdr eff <u>20 Aug 43</u>) | 8-26-43 | SO 238, P 49 |
| 7. Leave of Absence | 9-17-43 | SO 260, P 12 |
| 8. Bd for prevention & control of respiratory diseases | 11-11-43 | SO 315, P 83 |
| 9. Bd for control of Venereal Disease | 11-18-43 | SO 322, P 27 |
| 10. Assumes command of Jefferson Barracks (Temp) | 11-21-43 | GO 76, P 1 |
| 11. GCM (Detail for the Court) Hq., 2nd Dist, | 11-19-43 | SO 99, P 5 |
| 12. B/O to review all recommendations for Legion of Merit
Award. | 11-23-43 | SO 327, P 29 |
| 13. B/O to recommend plan for giving Venereal Treatments
to EM so as not to interfere with training. | 11-30-43 | SO 334, P 69 |
| 14. Assumes Command of Jefferson Barracks (Temp) | 11-30-43 | GO 81, P 1 |
| 15. B/O to submit recommendations to improve the method
of treatment of Venereal Patients. | 1-17-44 | SO 17, P 89 |
| 16. B/O to investigate death of Gilbert A. Vetter | 1-25-44 | SO 25, P 25 |
| 17. B/O to promote 1st and 2nd grade NCO | 1-25-44 | SO 25, P 113 |
| 18. General Court Martial Board Hq., 2nd Dist., | 1-29-44 | SO 25, P 5 |
| 19. Amendment to P 27, SO 322 (Bd for control of VD) | 2-10-44 | SO 41, P 29 |
| 20. Commendation for Colonel Lewis, Post CO | 3-3-44 | Letter - 291 |
| 21. Leave of Absence | 3-12-44 | SO 72, P 29 |
| 22. Major Richardson assumes command during temp absence | 3-13-44 | Wg Order 45 |
| 23. Lt. Col. Foster assumes after leave of absence | 3-13-44 | Wg Order 48 |
| 24. Aptd member of GMC to meet at Gulfport for trial of
Lt. Col. Geoffrey H. Bonnell. Hq., 2nd Dist. | 3-21-44 | SO 78, P 17 |

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25. Assumes command of Jefferson Barracks (Temp)	3-21-44	SO 78, P 17
26. Informed of convening of Court	3-27-44	Tel 3-27-44
27. Travel authorization to General Court Martial	3-28-44	SO 88 P 34
28. Major Richardson assumes command during Temp Absence	4-3-44	O 56 P 1-12TW
29. Commendation from Colonel C. R. Lewis	4-7-44	Letter - 201
30. Assumed command of Wg on return from Temp Absence	4-8-44	O 58 P 1-12TW
31. B/O for Reclassification of Officers, Appointment of	8-11-43	Letter
32. B/O for Reclassification of Officers	1-18-44	Letter
33. Aptd to Committee to Review Efficiency Ratings of Company Grade Officers	3-24-44	Letter
34. Force Commander, Flood Relief Emergency Plan	4-14-44	Letter
35. Asgd 36th Training Group, BTC#1, AAFTTC, Revoked by SO 111, P 25, 20 April 44.	4-19-44	SO 111 P 48
36. Asgd Hq BTC #1, AAFTTC	4-20-44	SO 111 P 25