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ROME AREA ALLIED COMMAND  
APO 704, US ARMY

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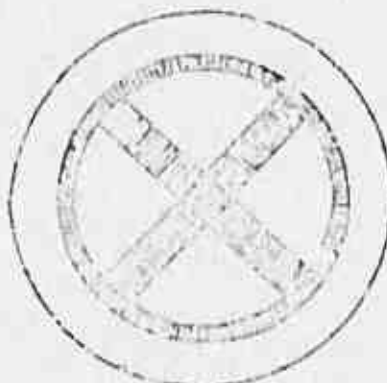
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14 November 1944

Subject: International Out of Bounds Sign.

To : See Distribution.

Reference Circular Number 25, Allied Force Headquarters, dated 4 November 1944.

1. In order to overcome the difficulties of non-English speaking troops, an international sign, as shown below indicating "OUT OF BOUNDS - OFF LIMITS" has been adopted for use in the Mediterranean theater.



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2. This sign will be employed in addition to the normal U. S. and British notices now used to indicate "OUT OF BOUNDS - OFF LIMITS" and will be posted conspicuously in out of bounds areas, buildings, shops, bars and restaurants.

3. Commanding Officers will insure that their troops are fully instructed in the meaning of the sign and that such signs are properly displayed and maintained in "OUT OF BOUNDS - OFF LIMITS" areas.

4. Notices describing the use of the sign are being distributed by Allied Force Headquarters for display on unit bulletin boards. In units having non-English speaking troops, Commanding Officers will arrange to have the notices translated into foreign languages.

5. This sign is applicable to all personnel and ranks of the Allied Armies, Navies and Air Forces.

By command of Brigadier General BROWN:

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TO : See Distribution.

1. Attention is directed to the following extract of Section II, Circular No. 3, 1944, dated 26 February 1944:

II -- OFF-DUTY REGULATION OF OFFICERS AND ENLISTED PERSONNEL

The customs of the service relative to off-duty regulation of officers and enlisted personnel apply to all and naval personnel. See Circular No. 20, Circular No. 209, Circular No. 34, 1944-50. It is the policy of the command to enforce these regulations in cases of violation or failure to comply, in which cases specific letters of authorization should be issued to, and signed by, the command concerned.

2. The new violations of the above regulations have been noted in the record.

3. Commanding Officer of all units will take immediate steps to enforce these orders.

By command of Training and Control Group:

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Subject:- Discipline - Italian Co-operators.

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13 Sept. 44.

Copy to:- A(PB) Camp

Reference the pamphlet "Administration of Italian Co-operators" notified in GHO 612/44.

1. A general amendment to the above pamphlet will be published by AFHQ in the near future, and will contain (inter alia) the following, which will be operative with effect from 15 Sept. 44:-

Para 33 (a) after "and may award punishments as follows" insert "to co-operators below the rank of Sergeant".

At the end of 33 (a) insert "The maximum summary punishment which may be awarded to co-operators of the rank of Sergeant and above is that of 'severe reprimand'."

/s/ XX for Brig DAG

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ROME ALLIED AREA COMMAND  
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Subject: Off Limits.

To : See Distribution.

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10 September 1944

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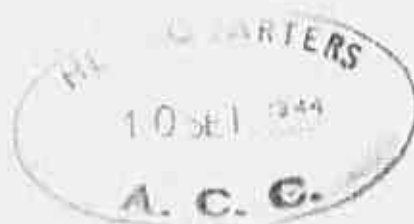
1. Officers commanding units within the Rome Allied Area Command who may desire any particular locality to be placed On or Off Limits in or Out of Bounds will make application to Headquarters Rome Allied Area Command for the necessary activity to be published.

2. Independent action will not be taken by units, etc, within the area. This order includes shops, stores, bars, restaurants, and like establishments.

By command of Brigadier General BROOK:

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12 July 1944

SUBJECT: Firearms in Possession of Hospitalized Personnel

TO : See distribution

1. Ref: paragraph 2d(1), AR 16-570.
2. All firearms in possession of hospitalized personnel will be taken up and stored under lock and key. The patient will be given a receipt for firearms stored in hospital.
3. If the patient is returned to duty, firearms will be returned to patient.
4. In case of death or transfer to EI, firearms will be turned in to the nearest ordnance depot and receipt obtained for same.
5. Under no circumstances will patients have access to firearms in hospital.

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AG 400.7 BPSWE

2 July 1944

SUBJECT: Sentences Awarded for Illegal Disposition of Government Property.

TO : See Distribution.

Under the provisions of paragraph 5e, General Order Number 115, this Headquarters, dated 14 June 1944, subject: "Property Loss Prevention Authority (PLPA)", company or similar unit commanders will assemble their units and read to them the following sentences awarded for illegal disposition of Government property. This information will be imparted to every individual in the organization, and after having been read will be posted on bulletin boards and at other conspicuous places.

a. In that Privates Charles E. Burchfield and Jessie J. Walker, both of ~~\*\*\*\*~~ Stockade Company (Provisional), did, on or about 2 April 1944, knowingly and willfully apply to their own use a 2 1/2 ton truck, of the value of about Twenty-Five Hundred dollars (\$2500.00), property of the United States furnished and intended for the military service thereof.

Sentence - (As to each accused) - To be dishonorably discharged the service, to forfeit all pay and allowances, due or to become due, and to be confined at hard labor at such place as the reviewing authority may direct, for a period of three years and six months (3 years and 6 months).

b. In that Private Hollis (NMI) Johnson, ~~\*\*\*\*~~ CM Truck Company, ~~\*\*\*\*~~ CM Bn (Mobile), did at or near ~~\*\*\*\*~~, on or about 24 March 1944, knowingly and willfully misappropriate one GMC cargo truck of the value of about Twenty-four Hundred dollars (\$2400.00), property of the United States furnished and intended for the military service thereof.

In that Private Hollis (NMI) Johnson, ~~\*\*\*\*~~ CM Truck Company, ~~\*\*\*\*~~ CM Bn (Mobile), did in the vicinity of ~~\*\*\*\*~~, on or about 24 March 1944, wrongfully attempt to bribe L/Corporal L. G. Sencartier, a military police, then in the execution of his office, by offering him one hundred dollars (\$100) if the said L/Corporal Sencartier would release him from custody.

Sentence - To be dishonorably discharged the service, to forfeit all pay and allowances due or to become due, and to be confined at hard labor at such place as the reviewing authority may direct, for five (5) years.

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By order of Colonel OAX:

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20 June 1944

Subject: Carrying of Unauthorized Weapons.

To : See Distribution.

1. Letter this Headquarters dated 31 May 1944, above file number and subject is rescinded.

2. Paragraph C2f (Page 278), Section XXIII, Circular No. 68, this Headquarters, dated 28 May 1944, prohibits the carrying of weapons and ammunition by military personnel whose duty does not require them.

3. Marked laxity on the part of unit commanders is noted in the number of soldiers apprehended by Military Police carrying guns, knives, and other weapons, both Government issue and otherwise, and in the resulting increased number of shootings and stabblings of military and civilian personnel.

4. A spot-down inspection and thorough search of quarters will be made at least once each week at irregular times by all unit commanders, and all unauthorized weapons in possession of personnel will be taken up. Weapons other than Government issue will be confiscated and turned over to the Military Police. The Provost Marshal, PMS, is designated to receive such confiscated weapons from units outside the Metropolitan Area; the Provost Marshal, Metropolitan Area, for those units in that area. Both Provost Marshal offices are located in the Quarters Building.

5. All Government-issued weapons, when not being used for training or guard duty, are to be kept under guard or under lock and key and issued only upon the order of a commissioned officer.

6. Report of inspections will be submitted to the Provost Marshal, PMS. Negative reports are desired.

By command of Major General WILSON:

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The Adjutant General's Office  
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2 June 1944.

SUBJECT: Policy on Listing Adverse Information

TO : The Commanding Generals

Theaters of Operations

Adjutant

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1. In a certain counterintelligence investigative report the statement that "Subject is opposed to all forms of minority oppression, be it racial, economic or cultural" was characterized as "adverse information". It is desired that all personnel under your command conducting counterintelligence or security intelligence investigations be instructed that such information is not adverse and that they should guide themselves accordingly in the future performance of their official investigative duties.

2. Careful supervision will be conducted to assure that this directive is complied with.

By order of the Secretary of War:

/s/ Robert H. Dunlop  
/c/ ROBERT H. DUNLOP  
Brigadier General,  
Acting The Adjutant General

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24 May 1944

Subject: Employment of Italian soldiers on guard duty.

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To : Commanding Officers of Units Within Peninsular Base Section  
Which Utilize Italian Army Units On Guard Duty.

1. Reference is made to letter PIS, AG 250 BPAG, 1 May 44, on the subject of performance of guard duty by U.S. troops assigned or attached to Peninsular Base Section.

2. The same degree of strictness, alertness, intelligent understanding of orders and definite routine for their preparation and posting, will be required of all Italian soldiers utilized as guard forces within the Peninsular Base Section area, as is specified for U.S. troops in the above referred to letter. The same verification of each of the requirements herein outlined will be made a part of any pre-trial investigation of charges developing from an Italian soldier's failure to perform properly while on guard duty. In such investigation will be accepted as complete without definite verification as to conformance with the procedures herein outlined.

3. The traditional and well-understood routines for interior guard duty, standard within the Italian Army, will be recognized and adhered to when such troops perform guard duties for PWS agencies. The following features of Italian Army guard routine are published for the information of all concerned:

a. The Italian manuals for guard duty include the equivalent of "General Orders for Guards and Sentries" as employed in the U.S. Army -- though not worded and grouped in exactly the same manner.

b. Italian sentries are never posted except by their assigned Corporal and all special instructions to them are universally issued only through that Corporal.

c. An Italian sentry, while on duty, is permitted to talk with no one -- even commissioned officers of the guard -- except through his Corporal. The presence of the Corporal is, therefore, necessary whenever it is desired to communicate with the sentry.

d. Italian sentries on static posts render salutes merely by coming to attention -- but without presenting arms or offering a rifle salute. Italian sentries on walking posts extend salute merely by halting momentarily and facing the person to be saluted. In each such instance they are entitled to a salute in return.

e. These traditional routines will not be altered and will be honored and conformed to by all concerned.

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h. The following procedures will be followed prior to the posting of any Italian sentry within the FAS area:

a. The U. S. officer to whom such troops are attached for operational control will prepare, in writing, specific "Special Orders" for each individual sentry post. These orders will be specific as to the notes and bounds of the post, the duties of the sentry with respect to the post and items to be guarded, and the extent to which the sentry will resort to the use of his weapons in enforcing such orders. If it is intended or desired that any exception to any of the orders be made, in the case of Allied officers or Allied soldiers, such exceptions will be specifically noted in the wording of the orders. Copies of all such special orders will be filed with the FAS Liaison Office.

b. These written "Special Orders" will be given to the Commanding Officer of the Italian unit. The latter will be allowed sufficient time in which to prepare careful translations into the Italian language and in which to instruct each of his sentries in such orders, either by permitting him to memorize them or to be furnished a copy in writing prior to his being posted as a sentry.

c. The Italian officer in charge of any such guard will be required to test each sentry as to his general knowledge of guard duty under the Italian manual and as to his specific knowledge of "General Orders", and "Special Orders" for the post to which assigned.

d. Before being posted, the soldier will be inspected and approved by the Italian Commander of the Guard, for physical condition, sobriety, neatness of appearance, completeness of arms and equipment, and ability to handle such arms and equipment.

e. All Italian sentries posted will be at all times under the control of appropriate Italian Corporals of the Guard and Italian Officers of the Guard. All orders and instructions to such guards will be issued solely through such officers and non-commissioned officers.

f. Any charges against a sentry will be filed with the Commanding Officer of the Italian unit concerned, who will process them through proper Italian military channels for trial by appropriate Italian Military Courts.

g. The provisions of paragraphs 5, 6 and 8 of latter referred to in paragraph 1 above will be applicable to the handling of all Italian sentries.

5. The following rules will be observed with reference to the employment of Italian sentries and the planning of guard posts for such sentries.

a. Italian soldiers will not be employed on posts requiring them to have conversation with or to give instructions to civilians or others where a language difficulty would be involved.

b. Italian soldiers will not be employed on isolated sentry posts beyond the supervision or control of the non-commissioned officer of the guard.

c. Italian soldiers will not be posted hastily, or to meet spot-needs, under conditions which would preclude following the procedure herein outlined.

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d. Italian soldiers will not be employed as sentries or guards under American officers or non-commissioned officers, but only under their own officers and non-commissioned officers.

e. Allied military personnel will be required to extend the same respect and obedience to the orders of Italian sentries, as they would extend to sentries of their own command.

f. Printed "General Orders", in both American and Italian wording, on cards suitable for school and training purposes, are available upon request to the Liaison Officer, PBS.

g. Commanding Officers of U.S. units or installations requiring the use of Italian guards will arrange in advance for proper supply of arms and ammunition to the Italian unit, - all such to be provided through Italian supply channels.

h. Except in extreme emergencies, and in no circumstances to preclude following the outlined procedure, all guards will be posted two hours on guard and four hours off.

i. These instructions will become effective throughout the Peninsular Base Section on 29 May 1944.

By command of Major General WILSON:

*L. F. Nickel*  
L. F. NICKEL  
Lt. Col., A.S.D.  
Adjutant General

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AG 250 HPWAG

1 May 1946

Subject: Violation of the 86th Article of War.

To : Commanding Officers, All Units Assigned or Attached  
Peninsular Base Section.

1. General court-martial records submitted for my action reveal an inordinate number of cases for violations of the 86th Article of War in three particulars, namely:

- a. Abandoning post before being regularly relieved,
- b. Drunk on post, and
- c. Asleep on post.

Offenses of this nature can and will be reduced to a bare minimum by supervision, education, and inspection.

2. A violation of the 86th Article of War is, in time of war, a capital offense, the maximum punishment for which may be death. One who offends against that Article of War has committed an equally a dishonorable and shameful military offense as though he had misbehaved before the enemy. I expect and demand the faithful, alert, and efficient performance by sentinels of their duties, and this applies with equal force to the officers, non-commissioned officers, and acting non-commissioned officers who are responsible for such sentinels being detailed for and posted for guard duty. The court-martial records disclose a laxity with respect to the performance of guard duties which will not be tolerated.

3. Many accused individuals present the excuse that they were drunk when posted, and that, had they been properly inspected, they would not have been posted. To permit a soldier to go on guard duty when intoxicated is a military offense, and a superior officer, non-commissioned or acting non-commissioned officer who knowingly permits it will himself be court-martialed. Sentinels will be instructed that once they are detailed for guard duty and assume that duty, such duty is continuous until they are properly relieved, and whether actually on sentinel post or not, they are expected to hold themselves physically fit (sober), and in readiness, in order to meet any emergency. Drunkenness is not, and never has been, a defense for a violation of this Article of War. Every effort will be made to make it unpopular to offer drunkenness as an excuse, even in mitigation or extenuation of the offense.

4. Commanding officers are directed to insure that all personnel of their respective commands thoroughly familiarize themselves with the provisions of Basic Field Manual 26-5, "Interior Guard Duty", insofar as the provisions of that Field Manual pertain to their respective functions and duties.

5. General Orders for guard duty are hereby specifically made applicable to all guards of all units under the jurisdiction of this Base Section. Commanding officers will take immediate steps to convey this directive by the most expedient means to their troops, and, effective 1 May 1946, NO pass will be is-

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given to any soldier unless and until he has memorized the General Orders, and has proved that he knows them by reciting the Orders to an officer or non-commissioned officer of the company or detachment. All Special Orders with respect to any and all sentinal posts will be reduced to writing, published by the commanding officer to his unit, and copies thereof will be continuously posted on each sentry post (these orders will be protected from the elements). Special Orders will include the bounds and description of the particular post, exactly what property is to be guarded, what personnel is to be allowed ingress and egress, the term of the hour of duty, and specific prohibitions against permitting anyone to carry away or steal Government property, abandoning post and drinking on post. Included therein will also be a provision with respect to the proper manner of obtaining relief, if and when required. If deemed necessary, the General and Special Orders will be read and recited to each sentinal, and the latter required to acknowledge that fact, together with his understanding thereof, in writing over his signature. Ignorance by sentinals of General and Special Orders will not be considered an excuse for dereliction of duty.

6. No matter how informally the guard procedure is conducted in any particular unit, large or small, the commanding officer thereof will take the necessary steps to see that his guards are given a thorough inspection before they assume sentinal duties to insure that they are thoroughly familiar with their duties as sentinals and that they are in proper uniform and that their arms and ammunition are in order, and that thereafter, in addition to the required inspections enumerated in FM 21-1 supra, the sentinals are inspected periodically, every half-hour if deemed necessary, to insure the prompt and efficient discharge of their duties.

7. A great proportion of loss of Government property due to theft and pilferage is due to the neglect of a thorough performance of duty on the part of sentinals and failure on the part of responsible officers to properly instruct the guards.

8. In addition to the officer of the day and the commander of the guard, which is prescribed by paragraphs 13 and 14, chapter 2, Field Manual 21-5, each Defense Sector, Battalion and Separate Battalion Commander will detail a field officer of the week. It will be his duty to make periodical checks by night and by day, of the officers of the day and officers of the guard and sentinals in all the posts of his area to insure a high performance of guard duty by all concerned.

9. In the event of a violation of the 54th Article of War, no pre-trial investigation officer's report (required by Article of War 70, and paragraph 35, Manual for Courts-Martial, U. S. Army, 1925) will be considered adequate unless it contains evidence to show that the matters set forth in these instructions have received proper attention.

10. It should not be necessary to point out in a special letter to the commanding officers of units in this Part Section the fundamentals of guard duty and the protection of Government property, which are laid down in the basic field manuals; however, I am convinced that the performance of guard duty is so lax that this course is necessary to accomplish the desired results and the high standards which are demanded.

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Major General, U. S. Army  
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SUBJECT: Discipline - Officers

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1. On 24 Apr 62 at about 2100 hrs an air raid took place in MATES lasting approximately 45 minutes. During this time all lights were extinguished at the Allied Officers' Club having been turned off at the source and candles were substituted.

2. During this period a considerable amount of Club property was stolen by members, including a complete set of drums and a number of bottles of liquor. It is believed that the persons who removed the drums were British Officers.

3. The Area Commander views this example of lack of discipline and complete disregard of all moral standards with concern and gravity, and he directs that all Commanding Officers will take the following steps immediately :-

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TO :- East '3'

FROM :- 27 Jan

EVANS ORDER (.) ref no 530/22 (.) was 25 per cent for the Metropolitan area of METRES will be 2250 to 2400 hrs (.) times ranging 2030 to 2400 hrs METRES area for this being but now are in the information with US authorities (.) necessary amendments to 240-5-012-121 be issued in due course.

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AG 350 BR200

17 April 1944

Subject: Discipline.

To : Commanding Officers of All Units Assigned or Attached to  
Peninsular Base Section.

1. During the past several months the necessity for the development of the highest possible standard of military discipline, appearance and conduct in relations with your comrades, the soldiers of the Allied nations and the public; including saluting, cleanliness of person, billets, buildings, camps and grounds, alertness, smartness, neatness, compliance with authorized vehicle speeds, and the maintenance and conservation of all Government property, has been stressed repeatedly by the Chief of Staff of the United States Army, by the Commander-in-Chief of the Allied Forces, by the Deputy Theater Commander, NATOUSA, and by the Commanding General, Peninsular Base Section. It is realized that progress has been made in this respect; but results are still far from satisfactory. Commanders of all units and officers of all grades must, without delay, take further effective action to secure a marked improvement. The only standard which is satisfactory is the highest possible one which can be attained by first class American soldiers under vigorous, energetic and capable leadership. The standards of the Peninsular Base Section in all these respects depend solely upon each individual officer and soldier, and no one in this command, any more than myself, can be satisfied with anything but the highest state of discipline as evidenced by instinctive soldierly good conduct at all times and under all conditions.

2. It must be remembered that each of us represents not only the American Army but also, as individuals, the American people; and that the citizens of the United States in general will be judged by the residents of this foreign land and the soldiers of the Allied governments according to our conduct. Therefore, every American soldier should be, in addition to an exemplary soldier, an ambassador of good will for our country among the Allied soldiers and the civilian peoples with whom we are associating.

3. I have just gone over the annual report of the Staff Judge Advocate, this Base Section, and I am astounded at the number of trials of officers and enlisted men which have been necessary for the enforcement of military discipline. This reflects discredit not only upon the military service of the United States in general, and the Peninsular Base Section in particular, but it represents, on the part of those concerned, a terrific loss of effort which might better be utilized in the prosecution of the war against our enemies. A tremendous amount of time, labor, expense, and shipping space are required to transport an officer or soldier from his home to his training area in the United

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States, then to his unit, subsequently to a port of embarkation, and finally across the seas to a Theater of Operations. A man is of little use to his country or to the war effort if he spends part of his time in jail, takes the time of others in trying him by a court martial or otherwise disciplining him, or becomes incapable of performing his duty because of a venereal disease. He adds to the burden if he does not take the best possible care of all government property for which so much time and effort and labor has been expended in growing or mining the raw materials, manufacturing the products and shipping them overseas for his use. Such a person is, in effect, aiding the enemy. He obviously lacks some of the patriotic instincts with which he should be imbued, has not been taught instinctive good soldierly conduct, and does not have a proper conception of the worth of his individual efforts to the successful prosecution of this war. He lacks character.

4. Proper discipline in a command is attained primarily by intelligent and forceful leadership. Proper military deportment is the outward manifestation of an individual or a unit which has pride and confidence in itself and its commanders, and a sense of team consciousness; and teamwork is the foundation upon which efficiency and Victory are based. The failure to attain a high standard of military discipline can be traced directly to the weakness of officer leadership. Officers must themselves set the standards and require every officer, junior to themselves, and every individual soldier to follow their example; and they must energetically follow up orders issued and correct shortcomings. There seems to be a reluctance on the part of many officers, particularly junior officers, to make corrections on the spot for failure to be in proper uniform or soldierly in appearance or for the lack of proper military courtesy. No officer should consider it embarrassing to make corrections for these things on city streets or in any other place. It is only by vigorous leadership and energetic following up of the spirit and intent of orders that changes for the better can be achieved. Officers must act promptly and with appropriate severity on all branches of military discipline by Juniors.

5. It is the primary responsibility of the Company Commanders, and Lieutenants in each organization, and the platoon Sergeants to know their men, in order that they will be able to assign them to the tasks where they will be of the most use to the Army; to promote them on the basis of their true work to the end that those who evidence the most responsibility and who do the most intelligent will receive the fastest promotion -- and the organization commander must do this regardless of whether or not the man might be transferred from his organization in order to receive a warranted promotion. The organization commander must know the scores that his men make on the Army General Classification Test, as shown on WD AGO Form No. 20, in order to select for special instruction those who are in the low scores. Experience shows that in the majority of cases it is the soldiers with a classification of IV and V who are the habitual AWOLs and who acquire venereal disease. Officers must take particular pains to see that these classes of soldiers receive the seriousness of AWOL and desertion and that they understand the hazards of venereal disease and the necessity for prophylactics. A constant study must be made to the end that limited service men, members of the Women's Army Corps and civilians will replace every able bodied man that is possible, in order that the latter may be sent to replacement centers for training with combat units. The reasons why we are fighting will be constantly kept before each individual soldier, and he will be impressed with the paramount part he plays in the war.

effort. Everyone must realize that all orders concerning personnel, discipline, etc. are aimed at the conservation of manpower.

6. The following points must be continually stressed by all commanders:

a. Discipline. "Military discipline is that mental attitude and state of training which render obedience and proper conduct instinctive under all conditions. It is founded upon respect for and loyalty to properly constituted authority. While it is developed primarily by military drill, every feature of military life has its effect on military discipline. It is generally indicated in an individual or unit by smartness of appearance and action; by cleanliness and neatness of dress, equipment, or quarters; by respect for seniors, and by the prompt and cheerful execution by subordinates of both the letter and the spirit of the legal orders of their lawful superiors." (AR 600-10, paragraph 1)

b. Military Courtesy. "Courtesy among military men is indispensable to discipline; respect to superiors will be extended on all occasions." (AR 600-10, paragraph 2c). All training schedules will include a review of the first twelve paragraphs of FM 21-50, "Military Courtesy and Discipline", monthly.

c. Saluting.

- (1) Regulations regarding the exchange of salutes will be strictly complied with.
- (2) Officers of all of the Allied Nations will be saluted with the same promptness and smartness as American officers.
- (3) Regulations on saluting apply with equal force to the saluting of and by all persons riding in vehicles, except that the driver will not salute while engaged in the operation of the vehicle.
- (4) The following verbatim quotation of the text, from paragraph 20, FM 22-5, on exactly how the hand salute is executed, will be required reading and instruction, to the point of memorizing, by every officer and enlisted man in this command.

"At the first movement, raise the right hand smartly until the tip of the forefinger touches the lower part of the headdress or forehead above and slightly to the right of the right eye, thumb and fingers extended and joined, palm to the left, upper arm horizontal, forearm inclined at 45 degrees, hand and wrist straight; at the same time turn the head and eyes toward the person saluted. (TWO) Drop the arm to its normal position by the side in one motion, at the same time turning the head or eyes to the front." 519

"b. Execute the first position of the hand salute when 6 paces from the person saluted, or at the nearest point of approach, if more than 6 paces. Hold the first position until the person saluted has passed or the salute is returned. Then execute the second movement of the hand salute."

d. Military Bearing and Posture. Unit commanders will give their closest attention to instruction in the position of the soldier, and to the care and wearing of the uniform, to the end that all officers and men of their commands will present a neat and soldierly appearance, whether on or off duty. Shortage of laundry facilities will not be accepted as an excuse which may be offered by the slovenly individual. The provisions of paragraph 7, AR 60-205, will be taught to all soldiers. (Hair must be kept trimmed short on the sides and back of the head; and any hair more than two inches long on the top of the head will not be considered "short" within the meaning of that paragraph). There will be no beards. Every individual will be instructed thoroughly in the way to wear the uniform according to provisions of Section I, MATOUSA Circular No. 24, dated 1 March 1944, as amended by Section IV, MATOUSA Circular No. 42, dated 26 March 1944. For example, sweaters will not be worn as an outer garment, knitted caps will not be worn except with the helmet, identification tags will be worn in accordance with Army Regulations and instructions of the Commanding General, MATOUSA. Hands will not be kept in the pockets. Overcoats, blouses or combat jackets, if worn, will be completely buttoned or zipped. Shoes will be kept clean and shined or thoroughly dubbed. If there is mud on the shoes, it must not be yesterday's mud but today's; if there is dust on the shoes, it must be today's not yesterday's. It is the primary responsibility of company commanders, ward surgeons, etc. that men have their hair cut and that they are shaved and neat in every respect.

e. Camps and Billots. The cleanliness, orderliness, and general appearance of camps, tents, and billots will be closely checked to insure that they reflect at all times the high standard required.

f. Use of Motor Transportation. The success of our military mission in this theater is largely dependent upon the efficient use of our motor transportation. It is, therefore, essential that all personnel be transportation conscious. It is apparent that much transportation is being operated needlessly and without proper pay loads and that maintenance rules are not being followed. The excessive use of motor transportation increases gasoline consumption, multiplies the number of spare parts necessary, augments the accident rate, uses manpower uselessly and adds to shipping space and the cost of the war. Each individual commander will take immediate steps to curtail to the maximum the use of motor vehicles. Wherever possible vehicles in the same neighborhood will be pooled for making trips to ration dumps, etc.

g. Military Instruction and Drill. All organization commanders and ward surgeons are responsible that prescribed drill and military instruction is thoroughly taught in accordance with the schedule prescribed by this Headquarters.

7. The head of each staff section of this Headquarters and the commander of each organization and installation will, in person, read and explain this directive to all officers under his command, impressing on them the absolute

necessity for following to the letter their obligations as officers to make immediate corrections of military discipline and courtesy wherever such lack is found, to conserve in every possible way government property and to report to proper authority those cases they themselves cannot correct.

3. The standard of military conduct and discipline in the Peninsular Base Section will be exactly what we make it. We will not be satisfied with anything short of perfection, and we must all cooperate to the highest degree in reaching this goal.

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13 April 1944

SUBJECT: Looting.

TO : See Distribution.

1. It has been brought to the attention of this command that homes and property of civilians evacuated from the division sector have been subjected to looting by members of the division. This practice must cease immediately. Unit commanders will be held responsible for the protection of such property in their areas.

2. In this connection, attention is directed to paragraph 2, Unnumbered Memorandum, Headquarters VI Corps, dated 7 February 1944, as endorsed by this headquarters, regarding "Civilian Property". Soldiers engaging in or permitting looting are directly violating specific orders contained therein and will be made the subject of severe disciplinary action.

3. Stopping of looting practices can be accomplished with proper command supervision, therefore, unit commanders will take specific steps to prevent such disgraceful actions which are degrading to the individual participating and to the division as a whole. Looters are not only degrading themselves and their unit but are placing themselves in the same category as petty thieves who are despised by all. With this in mind unit commanders should not have any difficulty in impressing upon individuals of their respective commands that looting is not to be tolerated.

By command of Major General HYDER.

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31 March 1944

SUBJECT: Disciplinary Jurisdiction

TO : All Concerned

The maintenance of discipline within the territorial limits of the Zone of Communication, exclusive of Air Corps stations and installations, is the responsibility of the Commanding General, SOS M.TOUSSA. He will issue such instructions as necessary in accordance with the intent of letter, this Headquarters, file and subject as above, dated 4 September 1943. Effective upon the publication of superseding instructions by the Commanding General, SOS M.TOUSSA, the letter indicated in the foregoing sentence is rescinded.

By command of Lieutenant General DEVERIS:

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AG 250.1 BRAGO

22 March 1964

Subject: "Off Limit" Area Around Vesuvius.

To : See Distribution.

1. The following area around Vesuvius has been declared "off limits" to all military personnel:

Road, Corcola - San Anastasia - San Giuseppe - Bosco-Tracasa, then northwest along Autostrada to Pomicelli.

2. Only military personnel strictly on duty will be permitted within the area indicated.

By command of Brigadier General FENCE:

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Subject: Violations of Regulations in Metropolitan Area, remainder of Section

TO : All Concerned

1. Persons guilty of violating regulations regarding offenses hereinafter listed will be arrested by Patrol Officers or the Military Police and turned over to the Provost Marshal.

- (1) Drunkenness or under influence of intoxicants in public place.
- (2) Disorderly conduct.
- (3) Fighting or rioting.
- (4) Insultation or disrespect toward officers.
- (5) Failure to obey order of officers, non-commissioned officers or military policeman.
- (6) Making false statement to officers.
- (7) Firing or display of weapons except in line of duty.
- (8) Annoyance of women or civilians.
- (9) All offenses involving moral turpitude.
- (10) Indecent exposure or urinating in public.
- (11) Obscene and profane language in public place.
- (12) Presence outside the area or quarters after curfew hours.
- (13) Failure to possess identification tags or certificates of their loss when satisfactory identification cannot be produced.
- (14) Theft - military or civilian property.
- (15) Pilfering (theft) of military property.
- (16) Speeding in motor vehicle (also in public vehicle).
- (17) Unauthorized use of motor vehicle (also in public vehicle).
- (18) Unauthorized use of military property.
- (19) Threatening, insulting, or harassing personnel.

2. Persons guilty of violating regulations regarding offenses listed in this paragraph will be reported through Military Channel to their unit commanders, provided however, that if the offenses listed are also arrested and turned over to the Provost Marshal.

Par. 2 Cont'd:

- (1) Mouth covered with cloth or in mouth or in soldier's hand.
- (2) Failure to salute officers.
- (3) Improper or lax uniform.
- (4) Unbuttoned jacket, blouse or coat.
- (5) Awkwardly folded clothing or unclean shoes.
- (6) Failure to stand at attention when addressed.
- (7) Improperly worn identification tags.
- (8) Slovenly and unkempt appearance.
- (9) Hands in pockets.
- (10) Tie or necktie improperly worn.
- (11) Unbuttoned pockets or unbuttoned clothing.
- (12) Messiness.

By order of Colonel, 1st:

*[Signature]*  
Colonel, 1st  
Infantry, 1st  
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