

Men Wanted For Training In Mountain Troops

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The National Ski Association of America and the National Ski Patrol system, which is consultant to the war department for the selection of specialized personnel for the mountain troops, has been informed that the army still wants tough outdoor men for its mountain troops that are now being trained at Camp Hale, Pando, Colorado. Those who wish to volunteer before induction can still do so, no longer by enlistment, but by voluntary induction thru their draft boards. The National Ski association can still recommend special assignments, in advance, for men who have the necessary qualifications. 1114143

Candidates need not be skiers or mountaineers but men who have lived and worked in the mountains, such as rock climbers, trappers, packers, guides, prospectors, timber cruisers, etc., are preferred, or good skiers who are physically fit for rigorous mountain training, but because men of the above qualifications are no longer available in the numbers required an ardent desire to serve in the mountain forces, and the physical fitness obviously needed may be considered as satisfactory qualifications.

Members of the enlisted reserve and volunteer officer candidates that have not yet started training may be assigned to the mountain troops providing they have the necessary qualifications and the National Ski Patrol system is notified sufficiently in advance of the time they are required to report for active duty.

Questionnaires, information, and interviews will be given by members of the National Ski Patrol system at Steamboat Springs, Colo. Lawrence Wheeler is head of the Steamboat Ski Patrol.