

**“Fort Des Moines Is Made WAC Separation Center”**

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McGaffin reports that Fort Des Moines has been designated as one of six major separation centers for member of the WACs now becoming eligible for discharge. The article also says taht some retraining courses will remain at Fort Des Moines but that the current officer candidates class now training will be the last.

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WASHINGTON, D. C.—Fort Des Moines will become one of six major separation centers for members of the WACs now becoming eligible for discharge. Designation of the Fort Des Moines center was announced by the war department Wednesday afternoon.

At WAC headquarters it was said that women eligible for discharge probably will begin arriving there for discharge in about 10 days, depending on how soon the separation staff can be organized.

The announcement did not list what states would be served by the Des Moines center but it is assumed that women recruited from those states west of the Mississippi and east of the Rocky mountains will be released there.

Other WAC separation centers are Fort Dix, N. J.; Fort Bragg, N. C.; Fort Sam Houston, Tex.; Fort Sheridan, Ill., and Fort Bel, Cal.

WAC headquarters here said that present plans also call for continuing the clerk-typist retraining courses at Fort Des Moines. The current class of officer candidates, now receiving training, will be the last, however.

Neither war department nor WAC officials would estimate how many women might be expected to pass through the separation center in the next few months. WAC personnel now totals between 95,000 and 100,000 women.

## More Tires for Trucks in Iowa

Truck tire quotas will show marked improvement in Iowa next month but no relief is in sight for the passenger car driver who needs new rubber badly.

Charles Casford, tire rationing representative for the office of price administration (OPA) in the Des Moines district, reported Wednesday that the district's October truck quota will total 13,500 tires. That quota includes 9,000 small size tires and 4,500 in the larger sizes, an overall increase of about 20 per cent over September.

The passenger quota, however, will be 46,362 tires, about the same as that for September "and probably only about 40 per cent of the expected applications." Casford reported that a typical county, Marshall, has 607 applications on file already for tires in October. The county's October quota is 581 tires.

## China Negotiates 'Several' Loans

CHUNGKING, CHINA (AP)—A Chinese government spokesman Wednesday said several foreign loans have been negotiated for reconstruction and rehabilitation of China but that the time was not ripe for further statements.

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