

106TH DIVISION GETS STUDENTS

Men Transferred to Lion Unit, Following Curtailment of ASTP Program.

Camp Atterbury, April 18 (Special)—The 106th Division recently welcomed a large number of young ASTP-trained students. These former Army Specialized Training program soldiers have been assigned to almost every unit in the division, where they have already demonstrated their co-operativeness and eagerness to learn new skills.

With the curtailment of the ASTP, these enlisted men were transferred to the "Lion" Division from a number of southern training centers—including the Alabama Polytechnic Institute, University of Alabama, University of Tennessee, Vanderbilt University and Fort Benning, Ga. The bulk of the men have had intensive engineering training.

Their arrival here presented the adjutant general's office with a big job. A great deal of conscientious effort has gone into their assignment to the various units of the division.

Capt. Robert E. L. Harvey, classification officer, and his staff have worked day and night checking records, interviewing and making assignments. In commenting on this work, Captain Harvey said:

"We have been doing everything in our power to assign the men to the branches of the division where they can make the greatest contribution and where they can be happiest.

"The ASTP men we have received are of unusually high caliber. They are enthusiastic, alert, cooperative and strikingly intelligent. The division has gained a great deal through their transfer here. We are certainly happy to have them."

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