

## Center Changes 'GI' to Civilian

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decided by some other Army organization that personnel shall be released or discharged.

So far, enlisted personnel being discharged are, for the most part, physically unfit, over age, or separated because of dependency or urgent need in essential industry. Officers revert to an inactive status, subject to recall to active duty if needed.

At the Separation Center here, everything possible is being done to "streamline the red tape" incident to returning GI Joe to civilian life. The Center handles separatees from Indiana, Ohio and Kentucky; thus a man is brought near his home for final processing. This brings him into closer touch with the economic situation in his own community and reduces the amount of traveling when he leaves.

### Col. Wampler In Charge.

In the words of Colonel Bert S. Wampler, commanding officer of the 1585th Service Unit which operates the Separation Center:

"It is the Army's objective to have the soldier leave the service with a pleasant memory, and to this end we try to make quick and easy all the examinations, interviews, and paper work involved in each individual discharge."

The discharge machinery goes into action soon after a man checks in and is assigned quarters.

The trip through the separation processing starts when one of the Separation Center officers gets a group to separatees together for an "orientation talk." He briefly outlines the separation procedure, tells the men what they are entitled to, and explains Post Regulations for their guidance while at Atterbury. A guide is assigned to each group

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