

pany officer.⁹⁰ In another reversal of Director Hobby's policies, he offered promise of overseas service to re-entries, a move which produced a morale crisis and charges of a "dirty deal" from Wacs still in the United States.⁹¹ Because of faulty screening by male recruiters at recruiting stations, these re-entries when shipped overseas brought protests of "inferior quality" from theaters. Shipments included epileptics, manic-depressives, women just court-martialed, "homosexuals, alcoholics, and promiscuous women."⁹² To improve the shipments, Colonel Boyce asked General Paul to send one WAC enlisted woman to each Army area—a total of six women, as against the 4,000 specialists who had once managed WAC recruiting—but this request was disapproved by General Paul as "wasteful of personnel."⁹³ Eventually the re-entry program was discontinued after getting only 1,690 women, more than half of whom required quick discharge as undesirables.⁹⁴

All such problems, although inevitable in the attempt to hold a small Corps during the chaotic days of Army demobilization, caused considerable uneasiness to the Director. She feared particularly that the wartime WAC's good record would be damaged and Congress alienated.⁹⁵

D/F, G-1 to TAG, 8 Jun 46, and Comment 2 to D/F, P&A Div, to OCSigO, 16 Oct 46. WDWAC 320 WAC (6-13-46). (2) Rpt on TD to 1st and 2d SvCs by Dep Dir WAC, 26 Oct-1 Nov, 2 Nov 45, WDWAC 333.1. (3) Ltr, WAC Stf Dir Seventh Army to Dir WAC, 22 Jun 46. WDWAC 320. (4) Memo, Dir WAC for P&A, 7 Aug 46, WDWAC 201, and Ltr, TAG to Dir WAC, 14 Aug 46, AGPR-D-A-210.31.

⁹⁰ (1) Stat Info on Strength, Distribution, Rotation, and Redeployment of WAC Pers in ET, 31 Oct 46. WDWAC 320. (2) Ltr, TAG to TIG, AAF, PMG, and SGO, 20 Aug 47. AGAM-PM 334 WDGPA. (3) DA Memo 20-30-2, 27 Oct 47, Investigations of WAC Pers. WAC files OCMH. (4) Ltr, Maj Herbert to Col Boyce, 17 Sep 46. WDWAC 320. (5) Series of TWXs; 26 Feb-20 Jun 46. WDWAC 210.31 and 320.

Regular Army legislation, toward which WAC leaders looked to end the chaos of the interim period, progressed haltingly. Colonel Boyce's advice was not always accepted on provisions, nor was she kept in close touch with planning.⁹⁶ She had recommended that Colonel McCoskrie be assigned to G-1 Division to draft legislation, but the work was instead given to an officer with no previous knowledge of the Corps.⁹⁷ Her suggestion for simple legislation with complete integration, such as that drafted for the WAVES,

⁹¹ Intervs with ASF WAC Off, 19 Apr 46, and former Stf Dir 3d SvC, 12 Apr 46.

⁹² (1) Ltr, WAC Stf Dir Hq USAF China to Dir WAC, 28 May 46. WDWAC 320. (2) Ltr, WAC Stf Dir Hq First Army to Maj Herbert, 18 Jul 46. WDWAC 210.31. (3) Boyce request cited in personal ltr, Maj Herbert to WAC Stf Dir Sixth Army Area, 17 Sep 46, with incl ltr, 16 Sep 46, SGO to Letterman GH. WDWAC 320. (4) Ltr, WAC Stf Dir 2d SvC to Dir WAC, 10 Jun 46. WDWAC 342. (5) Personal ltr, Maj Herbert to WAC Stf Dir USFET, 19 Jul 46. WDWAC 210.31. (6) Memo, Maj Herbert for Col Boyce, 23 Sep 46. WDWAC 720. (7) Personal ltr, Maj Herbert to WAC Stf Dir Sixth Army Area, 19 Sep 46. WDWAC 320. (8) Ltr, Dir WAC to Hq Fifth Army Area, 16 Oct 46. WDWAC 320. (9) Memo, Maj Herbert for Col Boyce, 1 Oct 46, WDWAC 333.1. (10) Ltr, Lt Irene Scott, WDBPR, to Editor *WAC Newsletter*, 14 Jun 46. WDWAC 000.76. (11) Memo, Dir WAC for Chief OT Div WD, 1 Aug 46. WDWAC 352.

⁹³ (1) Memo cited n. 86. (2) Memo, Maj Herbert for Dir WAC, 2 Oct 46, with reply.

⁹⁴ (1) Memo, Dir WAC for G-1, 17 Jan 46. WDWAC 320.2. (2) TWX to all SvCs, 9 Feb 46, CM-OUT 96566, DTG-0920082, in WDWAC 342. (3) WD Memo 600-750-13, 3 Apr 47. (4) Memo, G-1 for TAG, 25 Feb 46. WDGAP 220.3 WAC (2-15-46), in WDWAC 342. (5) Memo, Maj Herbert for Lt Irene Scott, 19 Sep 46. WDWAC 320. (6) Ltr, Dir WAC to all Wac Stf Dirs, 11 Sep 46, re sec III, WD Cir 241, 10 Aug 46. WDWAC 421.

⁹⁵ Ltr cited n. 92(3).

⁹⁶ Memos cited n. 88.

⁹⁷ Memo, Dir WAC for Gen Paul, 19 Jan 46, sub: Col Frank U. McCoskrie. 1945-46 WAC file, unnumbered. Colonel McCoskrie asked the author to send him "the WAC files," to which he intended to devote a week's reading in order to familiarize himself with its past history.