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OFFICE OF THE COMMANDING GENERAL
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Dr. J. E. Buchanan, President
University of Idaho
Moscow, Idaho

Dear Dr. Buchanan:

Your letter of May 12, 1947, regarding the establishment of an Air ROTC Unit on the Campus of the University of Idaho for the 1947-48 school year reached me today. I appreciate your continued interest and believe that in view of the following you will feel free to add the Air ROTC Unit at this time.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS -- 1947-48 School Year

Office Space: The Unit will be assigned three officers and three enlisted men for Air ROTC duty. Inasmuch as you already have a Military Department the only requirement is sufficient space to provide desks at which the officers can work when not instructing. It is also desirable that space be available for the enlisted men to perform such office work as is required. The administration of the Air ROTC Unit will be integrated with the other activities of your present Military Department, the entire program functioning as one with the exception of the specialization during the students junior and senior academic years. The personnel will be absorbed in a like manner and will perform such tasks as the Professor of Military Science and Tactics assigns based on local requirements. For example, one of the Air enlisted men may be Chief Clerk for the entire Unit and another assistant Supply Sergeant while the Senior Air Officer may act as executive officer to the Professor of Military Science and Tactics.

Storage Space: The only requirement for the 1947-48 school year is sufficient space to store the Training Manuals, Field Manuals, Films, Charts and Diagrams, and Training Aids which will be used in the Air Corps specialized subjects. In this connection I am enclosing a list of the authorized training aids for the Air Corps specialized subjects that would be taught next year. You will note that they are all small items. I believe that you have sufficient space available in the department at the present time to handle the additional items necessary for the Air ROTC Unit for the 1947-48 school year.

Classroom Space: All elementary students enroll in the same courses. In the first year of advanced work the students start to specialize. Ninety-six of the one hundred sixty hours spent in the classroom being devoted to the branch of their choice. Therefore, for ninety-six hours the Air Advanced

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Dr. J. E. Buchanan, (Continued)

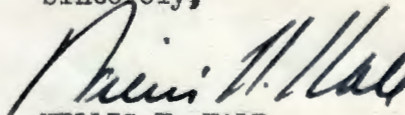
students will need a separate classroom on the assumption that you will have about forty Air Corps Advanced students next year. If the hours can be staggered, no additional space of this nature will be necessary. If not, the requirement in classroom space would be sufficient to accommodate the advanced enrollment in attendance ninety-six hours during the academic year.

Enrollment: One hundred students (elementary and advanced) are necessary to justify an Air Unit. The requirement is the same for Infantry. Your present enrollment in the present Ground course will justify two units as the elementary students will be permitted to indicate a choice of unit although not under contract. In addition, it is anticipated that your elementary enrollment will increase next year and that Air ROTC Unit will attract approximately thirty-five veterans into the Advanced Air ROTC course. However, in the event that you feel that the enrollment will not meet the requirements, it is suggested that with your application you request waiver of this requirement for the 1947-48 school year. (Waivers were accepted from two schools within my Command for the school year 1946-47)

As the Air ROTC program becomes fully operative at your institution, of course, additional space requirements will be necessary for use as classrooms and for storage. I anticipate that by the fall for 1948 two classrooms will be necessary for the Air ROTC program and that a room will have to be set aside for storage of training aids necessary for the program in the second year Advanced Air ROTC course. It is not known at this time what specialized second year advanced course will be assigned, however, the course will parallel one of the major courses in the curriculum of your institution. The second year advanced alternate courses assigned various institutions are Communications, Aircraft Maintenance Engineering, AAF Supply, Meteorology, Armament, Administration and Military Management, Transportation, and Statistical Control.

I hope that in view of the foregoing, you will accept the Air ROTC Program. I am extremely desirous of establishing the Unit on your Campus this year as such establishment will complete the coverage of the major institutions within the eight western states.

Sincerely,



WILLIS H. HALE
Major General, US Army
Commanding

1 Incl.
(List of Equipment)

EQUIPMENT AUTHORIZED FOR 1st YEAR ADVANCED COURSE
AIR ROTC

ARMY AIR FORCES

<u>Item</u>	<u>Allowances</u>	<u>Basis of Issue and Remarks</u>
Set		
Projection Photographis (TO 00-30-11)	1	Per School
Trainer, Demonstrator, Type Q-1 (Cylinder, Cone, Flat Surface) (Stock No. 2800-855050)	1	" "
Sextant-type AN 5851-1 (Stock No. 6200-329025)	1	" "
Supercharger, Turbine	1	" "
Mock-up		
Type O-12, Sec. 40855 (Stock No. 2800-865215)	1	" "
Type O-13, Spec. 40790 (Stock No. 2800-860000)	1	" "
Type O-17, Spec. 40724 (Stock No. 2800-865000)	1	" "
Type O-30 (Stock No. 2800-865116)	1	" "
Type O-47 (Stock No. 2800-853100)	1	" "
Type O-58 (Stock No. 2800-855121)	1	" "
Computer, Dead Reckoning, Type AN 5835-1	1	Per 2 students
Kit: Color Cloud Slides	1	Per school
Plane Model U.S.		
A-26B	2	" "
B-17B	2	" "
B-25J	2	" "
B-29	2	" "
C-47	2	" "
C-54A	2	" "
P-51D	2	" "
P-80	2	" "
P-82	2	" "
P-84	2	" "

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<u>Item</u>	<u>Allowances</u>	<u>Basis of Issue and Remarks</u>
Mock-up (Radio equipment)		
BC-348-S		Per school
AN/ARN-7	1	" "
Microphone	1	" "
Rectifier Portable 28V		
220 amp DC output		
220V 3 PH 60 cyc input	1	" "
Headset HS-33	2	" "
Altimeter, Range 100-35,000'		
Type AN 5761-1	1	" "
Crystal DC-11 or DC-26	2	Per school (Two transmitting and two receiving on auth. freq.)
Indicator		
Gyro, Horizon, Type AN 5736-1A (Stock No. 6000-218560-6)	1	Per school
Rate-of-Climb, Type AN 5825-4	1	" "
Speed Air, Type C-14A Spec. 94-27952 (Stock No. 6034-1426-1AE-A-1)	1	" "
Tachometer, Elec. Type AN 5530-1A (Stock No. 6119-8DJ13AFV)	1	" "