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Att.: Capt. Ernest T. Dwyer

Dear Sir:

I have just received your letter of July 1, 1943. The delay was due to my change of address from the University of Minnesota to Randolph Field.

I am very much interested in being assigned to active duty with the Civil Air Patrol at your base. However, my present position is rather uncertain and I am not sure of what course of action I would have to follow. Perhaps you are more completely informed on this.

I have been assigned by the Civil Aeronautics Administration War Training Service to the Central Instructors' School here at Randolph Field. I am now taking a course consisting of over one hundred hours in Fairchild PT 19's and Stearman PT 17's. Just how long I will be here and what happens when this course is completed is, as usual, very indefinite.

I would appreciate any information you might be able to send to me regarding the duties and status of Civil Air Patrol pilots on active duty and such details as pay, living accommodations, etc.. If you are in need of pilots, I can pass this information on to other interested pilots, otherwise I will consider it confidential.

I understand, according to your letter, that I was recommended to you by Mr. Orin Redhead. I imagine that he has acquainted you with what experience I have. However, since my last contact with Mr. Redhead, I have obtained a commercial license and an instructor's rating.

Once again I would like to assure you that I am interested in flying with the Coastal Patrol and that I will welcome any advice and information that you can give me.

Very truly yours,