

TRIP TO WASHINGTON: NOVEMBER 8, 1943

**PURPOSE:**

To have the quota of 500 retained at the College.  
By reason of an order from the War Department, First Service Command in Boston notified Father Dillon on November 2, 1943 that the quota would be cut to 400.

MET GENERAL JOE N. DALTON ON MONDAY, Nov. 8:

After explaining the purpose of my visit he told me:

- (1) That he was no longer head of the Army Specialized Training Division and was not acquainted with the situation.
- (2) However, he did tell me to go down to Col. Van Leer and since he kept the record he could give me the reasons for the change.
- (3) He also told me that after seeing Col. Van Leer to have him bring up the matter to him (Gen. Dalton)

COL. VAN LEER WAS NOT THERE---HENCE I TALKED WITH MAJOR EVANS:

Major Evans wrote out the following reasons for the change in reducing the quota from 500 to 400. It is as follows:

" Total authorized trainee quota is 150,000.  
Against this are now charged all men in STAR units, all returning 1st. year advanced course ROTC students, as well as regular trainees.  
Because the first two are now charged against the total it is necessary to trim quotas in regular units."

I told Major Evans to give my case to Col Van Leer when he returned from North Carolina, and, also to tell him to see General Dalton.

The next day I communicated my visit with Major Evans to General Dalton by writing him from St. Dominic's Priory in Washington

( The Original of Major Evans reasons are on the next page.)