

Signees, Tailor-Wise Save Uncle Sam Cash

The Signees are saving the government money. Expert tailoring by the Signees during their spare time on uniforms which formerly were ready for salvage not only has given them a neat appearance, but saved the government money.

Original plans called for issuance of regular Army fatigue uniforms to the Signees, but there was a shortage of this stock. Class "X" fatigues—the type ready to be discarded as salvage—plus those retained from the CCC had been given to the prisoners of war. So rather than have additional fatigues manufactured, the Army issued Class "X" khaki uniforms when the supply of fatigues was exhausted.

The Signees have received four Class "X" uniforms and one Class "B" uniform—the type turned in by American soldiers for exchange—which is for church and other formal formations.

Former tailors in the units were organized by the men and they went to work on the Class "X" khakis. Working after their regular duty hours, they repaired and refitted hundreds of uniforms in a week.

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communities, under American military supervision."

However, any requests for transportation for these trips is treated in the same manner as that of a civilian group. Shortage of gasoline and of vehicles taken into consideration.

Col. Haskell continued:

"The Signees are subject to the American military Articles of War while prisoners of war are governed by the rules of The Geneva Conference. The Signees have received serial numbers different from those of the regular prisoners of war. All members of the units understand that if they abuse their privileges, they may immediately be returned to prison camps as ordinary prisoners of war and punished according to the severity of their offense.

"Under supervision of American military personnel at all times, the Signees are doing essential war work and, where members of units possess valuable mechanical skills, they are utilized."

Col. Philbrook

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