



ABORIGINES DISCOVER ADVANTAGES IN ARMY LIFE

Serving side by side with many thousands of other Australians in the Regular Army today are a number of young Aborigines who have discovered advantages in this career.

Service in the ranks of the Regular Army is open to Australian citizens between the ages of 17 and 43 years.

Every young man entering the Army in this way begins his service life at 1 Recruit Training Battalion at Kapooka, near Wagga Wagga, N.S.W. Here all receive their first or basic training over a period of twelve weeks.

The basic training course is not easy and it covers many things. In the early part of it there is a lot of drill, instruction in the use of weapons, and physical training. In the later stages more attention is given to the simpler parts of military law, map reading, school subjects and the beginning of field training.

OUR PICTURE

Friendly guidance for Aboriginal soldier Private, Ern Hazel, Nanango, Queensland, is given by Sergeant M. Hansen of Gladstone, Queensland. Both members of 1st Battalion, Royal Australian Regiment, based at Holsworthy, N.S.W., they were making final preparations before moving out for exercise "Sky High"