

Getting it the "Hard Way"

A later letter said there was a
hitch "medical Problem" -
Went back for 2nd Physical 1 Dec
Got Acceptance

8 Dec. 1941 !!

In reply address not the signer of
this letter, but Bureau of Navigation,
Navy Department, Washington, D. C.
Refer to No. Nav-7-RDW/ZV

NAVY DEPARTMENT
BUREAU OF NAVIGATION
WASHINGTON, D. C.

June 28, 1941.

Reverend Matthew John Bouterse,
Carlyle, Kentucky.

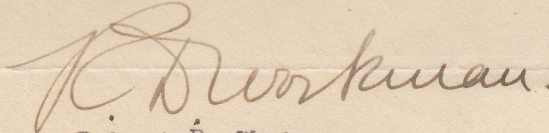
Dear Sir:

This is to advise you that you have been found
both physically and professionally qualified for appointment
to the Chaplain Corps of the Navy and that you will be
recommended for such appointment.

It will take some little time for the papers to go
through the Legal Department and receive that necessary check-
up which is required before the final appointment may be issued.
I judge that six or seven weeks must elapse before you will
hear from the Department and receive said appointment. You
will hear from this office later with regard to what will be
expected of you when you have accepted your appointment and
been ordered to your first duty.

In the meantime, accept our heartiest congratulations.

Sincerely yours,



Robert D. Workman,
Captain, Chaplain Corps, USN.,
Head of Chaplains' Division.