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Bob:

There is a good chance you'd not be here if on the second physical, and after 100 hours in gliders and ready to get the last 15 hours flying these CG-4 Waco gliders, I failed to pass the more severe eye exam. I am color blind as to orange. I volunteered as did the fellow in the article when the quick staff sergeant stripes were offered and I was bored one Sunday morning at Geiger Field in Spokane, Washington.

Later read about one of the fellows in our class who did get into combat and only saved his life by hiding under many dead bodies of his comrades as the Germans sprayed the bodies with machine guns, to be sure all were dead. Some years ago I met another fellow in the class who came out alright, but didn't want to talk about the details.

Dad