Spent J. Hannon.

The person of whom we speak:

Officially---

Was Chief of Staff here briefly; came here from Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri; was a Regimental Com ander there; Van Epps may have had him on a court—has not been on one of our courts. Is presently Deputy Commander for Training——2d ranking job on the Post—directly under Commanding General—in charge of all training; works primarily with line people, i. e., company, bat alion and regimental commanders. Is highly regarded by General Costello, which is a favorable factor since General Costello is a high—type person himself. Is RA but not a Pointer; integrated 1947—was in National Guard. Yankee: Mass.

Personally---

Nice person socially; definitely not a hangman type; might possibly be persuaded or swayed, shall we say, by persons of exalted rank; I mean he might not hold his ground if, say a major General was expounding along a different line—(this is pure surmise on my part—I don't know it's just an impression) Were I on trial, I would not object to him for I feel that he would be fair or try to be fair with me. He is not a displinarian or martinet.

He is not the cold. calculating type; does not appear to be an analytical or logical thinker—is a dooer in the sense he likes to get things done promptly rather than bother with channels—a sort of "do it yesterday" man. Has no tolerance of "red tape" and will take shortcuts even if he sticks out his neck. He seems to be outgoing rather than rigid or hidebound. His subordinates like working for him. My ex-boss has implied that he is not overly loaded with gray matter, but, of course, that might be professional jeacousy. I believe he is a man with whom one could reason, and if the realons were convincing, he would buy the product.

I wish I could classify him as prosecuting or defense, but in all honesty, I cannot. I guess you might say he falls into that big middleground, if there be one, sort of neuter, I reckon.