

Walter Ivanoff of Unalakleet learns how to salute at pre-induction training at Camp Carroll. Ivanoff was one of 50 Alaska Natives on his way to Ft. Benning, Ga., for basic training More photos, Page Seven.

Fifty Alaska Natives gathered at Fort Richardson's Camp Carroll last week for pre-induction training. The Alaska National Guard gathered the recruits in a group in Anchorage for the "buddy system" training. This system, which is expected to ease the recruits' adjustment to boot camp at Fort Benning, Ga., has not been used in Alaska since the 1960s, according to a Guard spokeswoman.

Photos include, at top, Staff Sgt. Kevin Knowlton demonstrates a push-up. Other photos, moving clockwise, are the recruits practicing sit-ups and an about-face drill and Nicholai Duny of Marshall taking notes on drills.







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