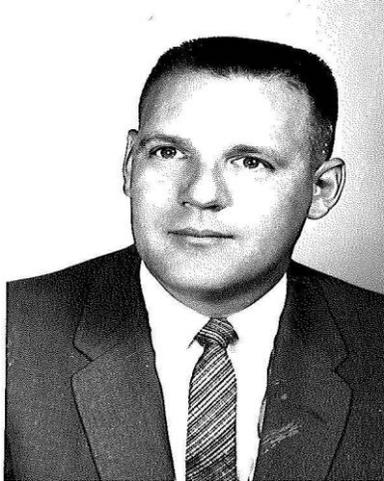


2014 Ammunition Hall of Fame Inductee
ALBERT EHRINGER



Mr. Albert Ehringer was recognized within Department of Army as one of the leading authorities in the field of ammunition logistics. He obtained his degree in chemistry at the University of Illinois and then his masters degree at the University of California in Los Angeles. His ammunition career began in 1941 at the Elwood Ordnance Plant, Elwood, Ill., and progressed at various duty locations including Joliet Arsenal, Ill., Susquehanna Ordnance Depot, Pa., and Savanna Army Depot, Ill. During his tenure at Savanna Army Depot (SVAD), he served as an instructor in the Ammunition School, Chief of the Ammunition School and Executive Assistant to the Depot Commander. In June 1971, the DARCOM Ammunition Center was designated as a separate activity to be tenanted on the SVAD. Mr. Ehringer was designated as the first director of the Center and served in that capacity to retirement.

Mr. Ehringer was known as an expert in ordnance maintenance and management. He directed the Civilian Career Office, the Ammunition School and the Ammunition Doctrine and Engineering Office. That office directed operations for the Advisor Group and the Storage, Outloading, Evaluation and Engineering Activities. He chaired several studies for critical AMC issues.

During his career, Mr. Ehringer was recognized with 12 Outstanding Performance awards, and on two occasions he was presented the Meritorious Civilian Service award, as well as numerous letters of recognition and commendation from Department of Defense agencies and foreign nations. Mr. Ehringer was a professional registered industrial engineer.

Upon Mr. Ehringer's retirement, he received over 80 letters from various organizations/ individuals within the ammunition community both U.S. and foreign. As reflected in the letters, Mr. Ehringer was instrumental in the success and professional reputation of the Ammunition Center and School while serving as Director from 1971 through 1979. The following are some key quotes highlighting Mr. Ehringer's reputation:

In a letter from Lt. Gen. Eugene J. D'Ambrosio, dated 17 January 1979, he states, "The list of achievements for which you were largely responsible have contributed immeasurably to the success of DARCOM's readiness mission. Among the achievements in which you can take great pride and satisfaction are the contributions made by the Ammunition Center and School in the areas of ammunition logistics, explosive safety, and the training of QASAS and other ammunition oriented personnel."

Maj. Gen. William E. Eicher's letter, dated 4 January 1979 stated that, "Under your firm, sure hand this institution has achieved laurels of professionalism and performance rarely found

these days. The dedication you displayed certainly allowed you to make your mark in the field of defense ammunition and will be a goal all of us would do well to strive for in our own careers. The success of your efforts is daily exhibited by the fine performance of those you have trained and the paucity of ammunition incidents throughout the world. In the final analysis ' that's what counts ' and the fruits of your efforts will be evident for decades. In our business each of us hopes to make a lasting contribution to the security of our nation. In your case, there is no doubt that such a contribution has been made and stands as an emblem of excellence for all of us to follow."

Mr. Chester Parker's letter dated 26 December 1978 said, "In 1963 the administrative control of the Ammunition Inspector (Surveillance) Career Program was transferred from Ordnance Ammunition Command (OAC) to the Savanna Ordnance Depot and with a unit, then known as the "Area Ammunition Inspectors" and the school, were established as "Special Missions"; you were assigned as the "Director of Special Missions" and held this assignment until 1965, when a new Depot commander, Col. B.B. Abrams, desired that you become his Civilian Executive Assistance, which position you held until 1971. During the period from 1963 to 1973 you maintained a guiding eye on the activities making up the Special Missions and your expertise added mightily to the excellent performance and continued growth thereof. By A.M.C. General Order 1930 of 19 July, 1971, the DARCOM Ammunition Center was created, to become effective on 25 July, 1971 and you were designated the Director, which position you have held until now - rather until the date of your retirement, January 5, 1979."