

Weapons, Equipment Exhibited

"A Soldier's Newspaper"



YOUNG BRIAN DAVISON, Paso Robles, gets a perfect sight picture on this 30 calibre machine gun, on exhibit at the Pioneer Day celebration in Paso Robles. He's assisted by SFC John Madigan, DivFac weapons committee. (Shannon Photo).



SHOWING how the BD 71 set works is SFC Preston A. Sutphin, 7th QM Battalion. Looking on avidly is a local youngster, Gary Peasley. Both DivFac and the 7th QM Battalion furnished men and equipment for the exhibits. (Shannon Photo).

RE-EMPLOYMENT

Servicemen Guaranteed Rights To Old Positions

Washington (AFPS) — Servicemen and women are guaranteed their old job, upon leaving active military service. However, application must be made within 90 days after separation.

This guarantee has certain conditions of eligibility:

- (1) you must have been in the employ of a private employer or working for the U. S. government (employees who worked for a states are not covered by federal law);
- (2) the job must have been other than a temporary position;
- (3) you must have satisfactorily completed your period of active service.

Other conditions are: you must be qualified to perform the duties of your position; you must apply within 90 days or within one year if you have been hospitalized after your discharge; and your employer's circumstances must not have changed so as to make it impossible for you to be reinstated.

If you meet the conditions of eligibility you are entitled to these rights: (1) you will be re-employed in your former position or a position of like seniority, and pay; (2) you will be considered as having been on furlough or leave of absence from your old job during your time in service (service time is credited as time on the job when computing seniority).

Also, you will participate in insurance and other benefits in effect at the time you left and you will not be discharged within one year without cause from the position to which you have been restored.

Any veteran desiring assistance with his re-employment problems should contact his nearest local office of the state employment service.

A warning comes from W. J. R. Overath, New York representative of the Bureau of Veterans Re-employment Rights. He says "the law gives you exactly 90 days to re-apply for your former job and the seniority and benefits go with it. That's like money in the bank. Don't chuck it away unless you're sure you've got something better."

Make Changes In Finance Checks

Washington (AFPS)—The Army Finance Corps' paper checks will soon be replaced by card checks, Maj. Gen. Bickford E. Sawyer, Chief of Finance, has announced.

The move, designed to streamline operation and economize will take nine months. Plans call for the installation of mechanical accounting equipment at 31 finance disbursing offices which issue 15,000 or more checks a month.

The Army expects to save \$27 per thousand checks written. The conversion will effect 2,800,000 checks per month.

Other benefits from the new system will be increased proficiency in accounting for, and reconciliation of, checks by Treasury and General Accounting Offices and a substantial saving in manpower.

The Army began to use electric accounting machines in WWII. Up until the announced change it had been sending out 1,500,000 card checks a month, mostly to dependents and retired personnel.

New Schedule For Information School

Washington (AFPS) — A new schedule of courses at the Armed Forces Information School, Ft. Slocum, N. Y., has been announced by the Department of Defense.

For the calendar year 1953, the public information officer courses (weeks) will convene Jan. 7, March 11, May 13, Aug. 5, and Oct. 31.

Information and education officer courses, public information officer courses and information education enlisted courses (all weeks) will convene Jan. 7, Feb. 15, June 3, July 29, Sept. 15, and Nov. 4.

The CAMP ROBERTS PARADE

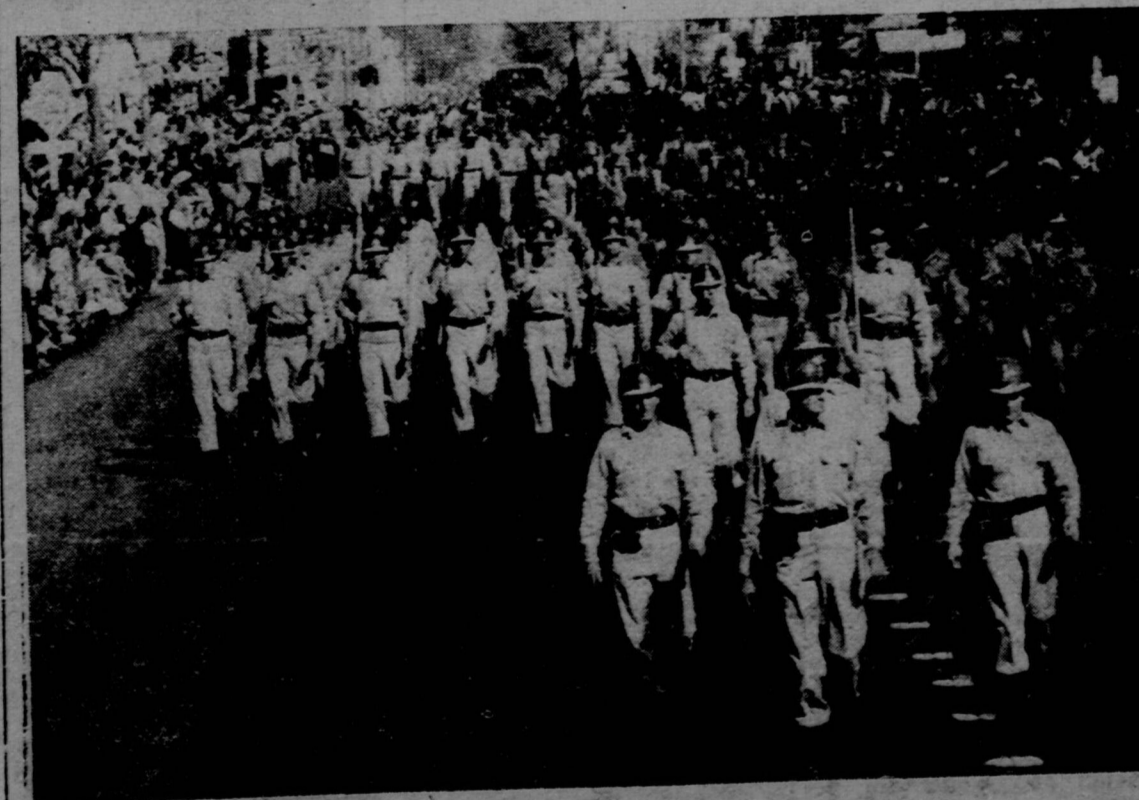
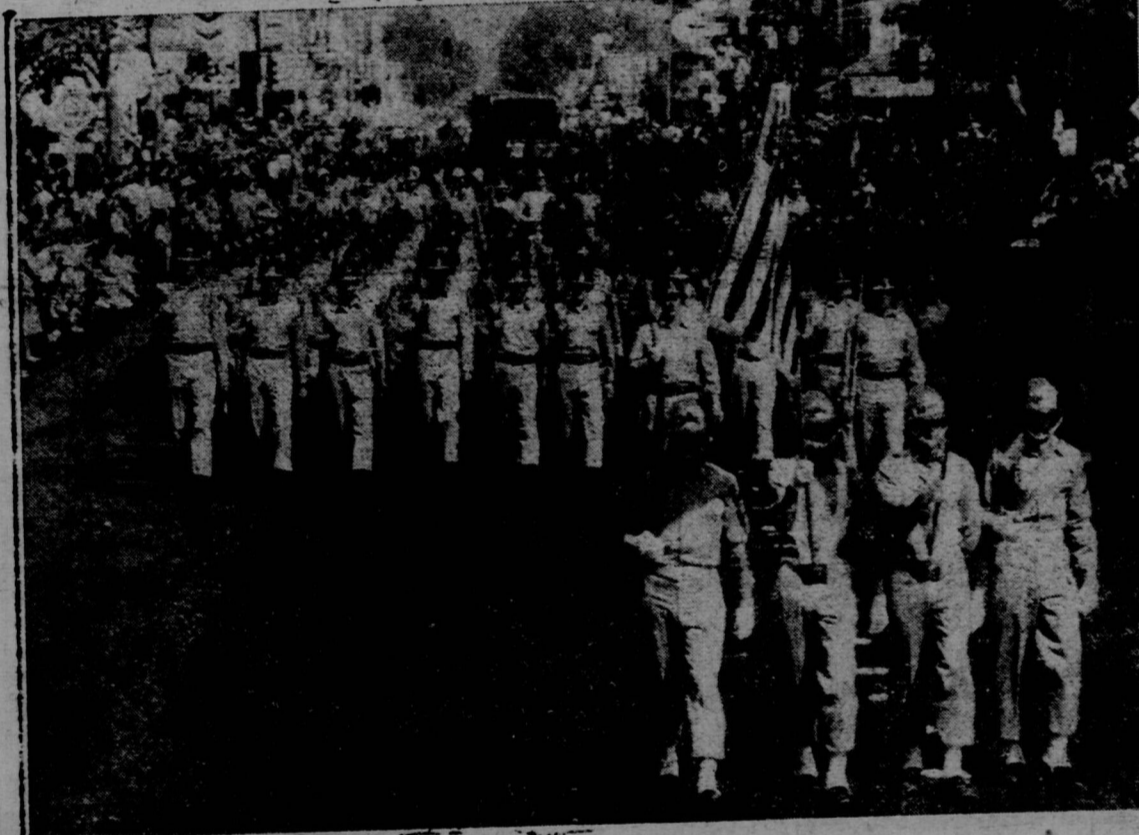
Serving The Combat Infantryman In Training

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Division Band, Combat Command 'A' March In Paso Robles Pioneer Day Celebration



CAMP ROBERTS units participated in the Pioneer Day Celebration in Paso Robles. Top picture shows the Seventh Armored Division band marching down Spring street, opposite the park. Upper left, Company C of the 23rd AIB, CCA, marches. Behind the company can be seen some of the military equipment contributed to the parade by Camp Roberts. This included a 105mm howitzer, a quad 50 machine gun, and a searchlight. Middle picture (on the left) shows another unit, Company D of the 23rd AIB, CCA, with the color guard, parading smartly down the main street of Paso Robles. Bottom picture (on the left) is Company C of the 38th AIB, also CCA. (Shannon Photos).

"VERY EFFECTIVE"

Attack Course Program Witnessed By Visitors

Two high-ranking visitors from Indiana and Fort Ord observed Camp Roberts' Attack Course demonstration Tuesday and expressed great satisfaction with the performance.

Brig. Gen. V. Wilson, Assistant Division Commander, 6th Division at Fort Ord, called it "a fine demonstration—very excellent."

Col. William W. Dick, Artillery Commander, 31st Infantry Division, Camp Atterbury, Ind., termed the performance "a very effective demonstration."

The officers were escorted at the course by Maj. Gen. Frank H. Partridge, Commanding General, and Brig. Gen. Arthur S. Champeny, Assistant Division Commander.

Accompanying General Wilson was a visiting group from Fort Ord, and a III Corps group from Fort MacArthur also observed the action.

With two training companies and accompanied by other high-ranking post personnel, the visitors witnessed explanations and demonstrations of light and heavy basic infantry weapons, as are shown in the regular attack course demonstrations.

The officers saw how trainees at Camp Roberts are introduced to the organization and firepower of an infantry battalion, with support of tanks, liaison planes, and fighter bombers. They also watched the pin-point accuracy of heavy artillery fire power. Several other types of weapons were fired on hillside targets, including rocket launchers, recoilless rifles, grenades, and machine guns.

An air demonstration of F-51 Mustangs from the 146th Fighter-Bomber Wing at George Air Force Base, Victorville, Calif., added color and effectiveness to the performance. Flying in at 7000 feet altitude, the 11 planes dived to

targets, dropping bombs, rockets and napalm, and laid a heavy smoke screen.

Capt. David Johnson of the Air Force explained cooperation between the Army and aerial support in combat. Speaking to the training troops, he said, "Fight with all you have on the ground and use air power when you need it. Together there is nothing we cannot accomplish."

CBR Training Tests Conducted

Army Field Forces Inspection Team No. 6 last week inspected two TO&E units from the East Garrison and six training companies to test their knowledge of chemical, biological, and radiological warfare.

Twenty men were tested in each company, including cadre, cooks, clerks, and trainees. Company B, 38th AIB, received the highest "raw" score, with the others trailing close.

Purpose of the testing is to determine the effectiveness of CBR training throughout the United States.

Many Leaders In C Company, 17th MTB

A high mark for high caliber trainees has been set by Company C of the 17th MTB. 140 soldiers already have qualified to take up Leadership training when basic is completed.

Actress Jody Lawrance At Review



PINNING THE HONOR streamer on the guidon of Class No. 69 last Friday is actress Jody Lawrance, who was picked as Queen of Leaders' Course. Holding the guidon is Cpl. Griffith R. Morrison. Miss Lawrance trooped the line in a red convertible, driven by Lt. William Lyons. (Shannon Photo).

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