

Raiders Play 6th Army Title Game Tonight At Sports Arena

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Victors Go To All Army

The Roberts Raiders are on their way to a repeat on the Sixth Army Basketball championship.

In the game tonight, the Raiders play the winner of last night's game between Fort Lawton, Wash., and Fort Ord, Calif.

Thus far in the tournament, the Raiders have defeated both teams from the Northern Division. The score against Fort Lewis was 92-69, and the score against Fort Lawton, 106-65.

The Raiders beat Fort Ord twice in the Southern Division playoffs here last week to take that title.

If the Raiders lose tonight, they will have to play the same team again tomorrow night, since this is a double elimination tournament, in accordance with standard army procedure.

Winners of this tournament, being played at the Sports Arena, will represent Sixth Army in the All-Army tournament to be played at Fort Meade, Maryland, 7-11 April.



Course Develops Gas Confidence

Gas! This word is the most dreaded of all war cries, striking fear into the hearts of fighting men all over the world.

In order to prepare for any eventuality and to instill confidence in the superiority of their equipment, infantry basic trainees at Camp Roberts are the first in the country to make their way through the gas confidence course developed by the 7th Armored Division.

Infantry trainees at the post are indoctrinated in defense against the possible use of gas by an aggressor force. The soldiers are first familiarized with the gas mask, and then led through a gas chamber to establish confidence in the mask they're wearing. The army has used this particular method of gas indoctrination for several years, but at Camp Roberts, the additional gas confidence course has been established.

After going through the chamber, trainees are indoctrinated by

the instructor. They keep masks available because tear gas grenades are released near the men to determine how fast masks can be put on.

The course itself is located along a river bed in which smoke pots are lit to mask the area. Tear gas grenades are set off throughout the course to create realism in this simulated gas attack.

Reserves Need EM Instructors

Enlisted personnel are needed by National Guard, Army Reserve and ROTC units to serve as instructors.

Qualification requirements are prescribed in various directives and can be secured at the Military Personnel Division, Bldg. 3011. A list of vacancies may be secured in the same building.

Some of the vacancies which now exist are for such specialists as bandsmen, administrative personnel, radar operators, light weapons infantrymen, tankers, clerk-typists, fiscal specialists and many more.

Although a vacancy may not now exist in certain fields, those meeting the qualifications may submit an application for reserve component duty.

Top Rifle Spot To ResCom Team Twice In A Row

For the second time in a row, Reserve Command came out on top in the monthly trainee rifle match, amassing 2,139 total team points.

High scorer, and winner of an individual trophy, was Pvt. Harold Lundie, Battery B, 87th Armored Field Artillery Battalion, ResCom. The sharpshooting private scored 230 points.

Trailing second spot, with 2,118 points, was Combat Command A. Other scorers: Combat Command 3, 2,110; Division Artillery, 2,073; and Division Trains, 1,896.

Brigadier General Arthur S. Champeny, Assistant Division Commander, presented both individual and team trophies to the winners.

Members of the ResCom team are: Privates Clayton Rud, Jr., Battery C, 87th AFAB; Spurgeon Holly, Jr., Company A, 95th Heavy Tank Battalion; Manuel Escalero, Company C, 95th HTB; David L. Brant, Arnold T. Naig and Wesley D. Phipps, Battery A, 87th AFAB; and Donald G. Boone, Alvin Miller and George T. Remington, Battery C, 87th AFAB.

Privates Rud, Phipps, Brant, Naig, Boone and Escalero were members of the ResCom team that took top honors in last month's match.

In charge of the matches were Major William C. Burns, Chief of the Division Faculty Rifle Committee and Lt. Roger A. Devall. Lt. Leroy Blake coached the ResCom team.

Now You Can Tell!

Starting this week training companies will carry 4-inch square wooden blocks on the staff directly beneath the guidon.

The purpose of the blocks is to indicate the week and type of training the unit is taking.

The lightweight blocks are painted red for light weapons training; blue for heavy weapons; and green for eight week basic training units. To indicate the week of training, a white numeral has been painted on the solid color background.

Suggestions Save Money

Five civilians this week received awards for improving efficiency in their respective departments.

For the seventh time, Mr. George P. Sutton, combat vehicle shop leaderman at Ordnance, received a check and a Suggestion Award Certificate.

He suggested the use of portable slave batteries, mounted on a small two-wheel trailer with a polarized receptacle, required in the starting of tanks in dead storage. The estimated annual savings amounts to \$272.

Two other awards were presented to Ordnance section workers by Major General R. F. Sink, Commanding General.

Peter Kopinec, inspection department, received a check for \$35 and a Suggestion Award Certificate. He suggested the use of stencil paper templates when masking tactical type vehicles prior to painting.

This suggestion reduces the number of man-hours required to mask a vehicle, and decreases the amount of masking tape used. The annual savings to be realized through Mr. Kopinec's idea is estimated to be \$734.

An improvement in the method of shipping unserviceable tires to Benicia Arsenal resulted in the awarding of a certificate for Mr. Jack G. Allen. The estimated annual saving amounts to \$670.

Appreciation for exceptional interest and initiative displayed in performance of assigned duties

was expressed to Mr. Allen. Besides General Sink, others present at the Ordnance Section awards included Lt. Col. Frank L. Denise, chairman, Efficiency Awards Committee, Major Roy A. Riddle, Ordnance Officer, and Mr. C. J. Deacon, Civilian Personnel Officer.

At ceremonies in the Quartermaster Section, Mr. Anthony Gerdzonis received a check for \$10 and a Suggestion Award Certificate.

He suggested a method to adapt the Singer shoe patching machine to mend canvas and web equipment by fabricating a plate and spindle to hold a two pound cone of thread. The estimated annual savings amounts to \$750.

Mrs. Mary L. Lancaster suggested the installation of an additional ladies room in the rear of the QM laundry. This effort to improve the morale of her co-workers resulted in the presentation of a check for \$10 and a Suggestion Award Certificate.

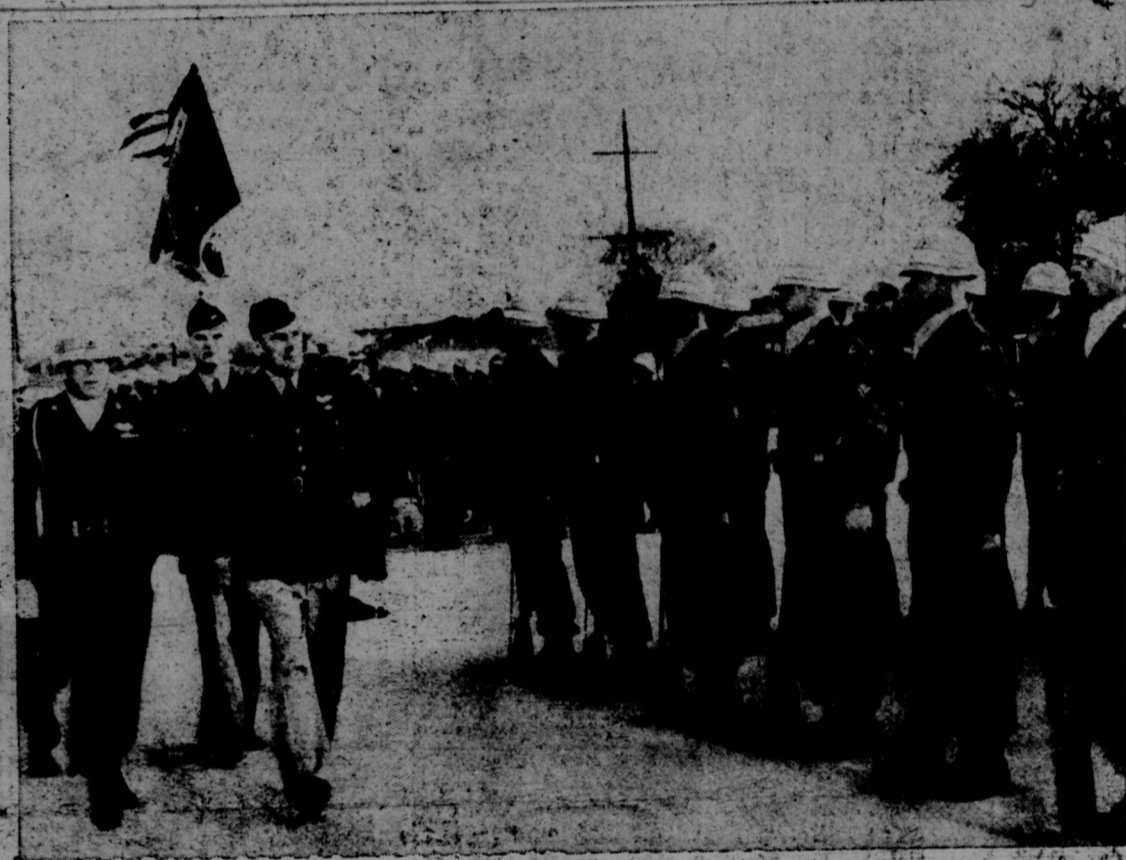
Specialists' Honor Man

At last Saturday's Specialist School graduation Pvt. Harry F. Maddin was named the Radio School honor man. He is from Alto, Texas.

Wire School's top man was announced as Pvt. Richard E. Heinzel, El Cerrito, Calif.

Both men received their diplomas from Brigadier General Arthur S. Champeny, Assistant Division Commander.

Brazil-U. S. Military Delegation Here Today To Observe Roberts' Training



TROOPING THE LINE at last Saturday's Leaders' Course retreat are M/Sgt. Dan Harris, who served as commander of troops, and Major General R. F. Sink, Commanding General. In

the rear is Capt. Schurley E. Schuler, Jr., Leaders' Course executive officer. The parade was run entirely by enlisted men, who carried out all the duties normally performed by officers.

War Minister, Chief Delegate On Brief Tour

The Brazilian Minister of War and the U. S. Army's chief delegate to the Joint Brazil-United States Military Commission, with their staffs will arrive here today for a two day visit.

Major General Cyro Espirito Santo Cardoso, the Brazilian War Minister, and U. S. Army Major General W. A. Beiderlinden will tour the post, to view and be briefed on the training in progress. The group will arrive by air at the Paso Robles airport.

Accompanying the generals will be Brazilian Army Colonel Hugo de Faria, personal assistant to the minister, Captain Fabio de Moraes Lembruger, aide-de-camp, and Lieutenant Augusto Rafael Espirito Santo Cardoso, the minister's recently commissioned son.

Major E. J. Huggins, of the U. S. Army, the tour director, and Captain A. S. Moura, the aide-de-camp to General Beiderlinden and official interpreter, will also be with the group.

General Cyro has an extensive military background. He is a proponent of solidarity in the Western Hemisphere and has long been active in working for military cooperation between the United States and Brazil.

GIVE to the Red Cross

Enlisted Men Hold Retreat Review

Enlisted men carried out all the duties normally performed by officers at last Saturday's Leaders' Course retreat review.

Commander of troops was M/Sgt. Dan Harris, first sergeant of the student company, from Coolidge, Ariz. Members of Sgt. Harris' staff were Sgt. George Ratzkovich, Warren, Ariz., and

SFC Charles Dickenson, Traverse City, Mich. Sgt. Hansel M. Rayner, of Salt Lake City, was the adjutant.

Sgt. Ratzkovich, one of the senior instructors at the school in point of service there, is with the Field Test Group. Sgt. Rayner, who was born in Transvaal, South Africa, works in battalion headquarters, while Sgt. Dickenson is the supply sergeant of the student company.

Instructors in various committees of the school carried out the jobs of unit commanders. Cpl. H. D. Quattlebaum, Clinton, Ark., commanded the senior class.

The color company, the fourth week class and honor class of the week, was led by Cpl. Elvis L. Mason, Shreveport, La. Classes 84, 85 and 86 were commanded, respectively, by Privates Bobby Jones, Pine Bluff, Ark., Donald P. Robertson, Tulsa, Okla., and Edwin A. Bordelon, Marksville, Ark.

These men are all instructors in the Tactical Department.

Following retreat, the executive officer of Leaders' Course, Capt. Schurley E. Schuler, Jr., accompanied Major General R. F. Sink, Commanding General, 7th Armored Division, as he trooped the

Passover Sedar Here On Monday

Initial services for the Jewish holiday of Passover will be held in the form of a Sedar (combined meal and religious service), on Monday at 1900 hours in Bldg. 3111, according to Col. Henry Tavel, Post and Division Chaplain.

Pursuant to AR 600-115 and AR 660-20, Jewish trainee personnel, including those in their initial three weeks of training, may be granted one 72-hour pass. Training missed will be made up wherever possible. Trainees will be excused to attend any of the scheduled on-post services.

The same regulations state that Jewish permanent party personnel may be granted one 72-hour initial pass and may, at the discretion of the troop commander concerned, also be granted a 72-hour pass to observe the concluding service.

On-post services are scheduled as follows: Tuesday, 1100 and 1730 hours; Wednesday, 1100 and 1730 hours; Sunday, 5 April, 1730 hours; and Monday, 6 April, 1730 hours. All services will be held in Chapel 3.

The first and last two days of Passover are marked with special services in the home and synagogue. The entire eight days of the holiday are signalized by the eating of unleavened bread, called matzos, and food as a memorial of the redemption from Egypt recounted in the Bible.

The hagadah service at the dinner table on the first two nights commemorates this event with prayer, ceremony, scriptural and other sacred readings, and song, before and after the meal.

CCB Choral Group In Debut Sunday

Combat Command B's forty-voice choral group makes its Post debut Sunday, at 2000 hours in Chapel 5, Bldg. 5014.

The group, under the direction of Pvt. Bob G. Whitley, chaplain's assistant, will offer seasonal music and appropriate carols.

Pvt. Whitley, a professional organist in civilian life, will play several solos. Mrs. Albert Nickel will do a cello solo. Vocal solos will be presented by Cpl. John Jones, baritone, and Mrs. W. A. Williams, soprano.

In 1950, Pvt. Whitley won the American Guild of Organists contest. He has studied in London and Paris and did choral work at the famous Canterbury Cathedral, Canterbury, England.



CONGRATULATIONS—Pvt. James R. Prince, who ranked second in his Leaders' Course class, congratulates the honor man, Pvt. John R. Bentley. Pvt. Bentley was also the recipient of the American Spirit Honor Medal. Graduation ceremonies were held last Saturday. (Signal Photo)



FIRST CLASS COOKS—Honor men of last week's Food Service Sub-School graduation, Pvt. Loyd T. Youngs, left, and Pvt. Jack S. Frenderpast, right, serve Chaplain (1st Lt.) William E. Calbert a sample of their work. The chaplain was guest speaker at the ceremonies. (Signal Photo)

