



CAMP ROBERTS Parade

The home of the "Lucky Seventh"



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NON COMMISSIONED officers of Leaders Course review the troops. In front is M/Sgt. John Williams, Commander of Troops. Behind him are, left to right, M/Sgt. Henry Elam, M/Sgt. Herbert Appuhn, and SFC Ronald Crook. (Signal Photo).

RETREAT PARADE — M/Sgt. John Williams, Commander of Troops, Leaders Course, has just presented the honor streamer to Honor Class 88, and is walking toward the reviewing stand to watch the troops pass in review. Reading left to right, front row, are the class commanders: Cpl. Hulend Quattlebaum; Cpl. Elvis Mason; Pvt. Edwin Borden; and Cpl. Donald Robertson. In the background are the student guidon bearers of each class.



Naval Officers Take Basic Here

Naval officers—36 of them—invaded the West's largest Army infantry training center this week to begin five days of basic infantry training. The group, all from the Naval Construction Battalion at Port Hueneme, Calif., will take training with the 7th Armored Division to familiarize themselves with the problems confronted by the infantryman. During the training the officers will participate in weapons instruction classes as well as familiarization firing of infantry weapons, night combat firing, and the infiltration course.

Size Elevens Prove Useful Against Enemy

With the 3rd Div., Korea—A captured Belgian soldier proved that fancy footwork can be as demoralizing to the enemy as a bayonet. The soldier, wounded and unconscious, awakened to find himself bouncing on a Red soldier's shoulder. He was being borne to the Red lines as a prisoner. Finally the Chinese decided to rest and deposited the Belgian on the ground in a very unfriendly manner. The wounded man bided his time, then let go with a well-aimed boot. The enemy soldier fell to the ground dazed. The Belgian painfully crawled back toward the U.N. positions until a friendly patrol picked him up. The Chinese soldier's condition may be serious, however. The Belgian wears size 11 boots.—(AFPS).

Commendation

The Army's Transportation School at Ft. Eustis, Va., has received a letter of commendation from President Syngman Rhee of South Korea for its outstanding services in training ROK officers. (AFPS).

Former Roberts Soldier Stars In 'Caine Mutiny'

A Camp Roberts Leader's Course instructor, separated in February, has signed to play Ensign Willie Keith in the film, "Caine Mutiny." That's what happened to former Camp Roberts Corporal Bob Francis, who was separated two months ago. Now his rise from obscurity to fame is being hailed in Hollywood as "the Cinderella story of the year." The 23-year-

A New Twist!

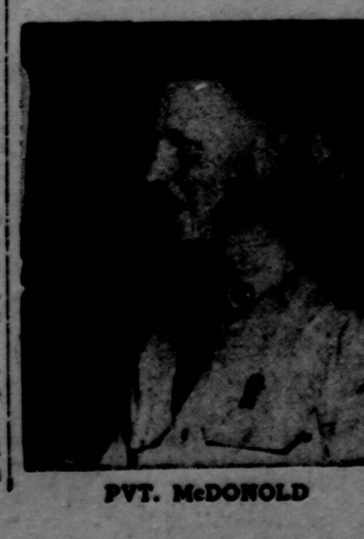
Section III, Memo No. 144, Headquarters, Sixth Army dated 21 April 1953, is quoted for the information of all concerned. "The Regular Veterans Association of the USA, headquarters at 820 Connecticut Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C., is currently soliciting contributions by mail and other means for what they call the 'National Chaplains' Commission of the RVA. The reported purpose of the fund is to make available a percentage of such funds to military chaplains for use in relieving hardship cases of dependents of military personnel. Upon investigating the project, it has been determined that many of the names of military personnel and outstanding citizens appearing on their stationery were being used without consent. This project does not have the endorsement of the Department of Defense, the Armed Forces Chaplains Board, or the Chief of Chaplains of any of the services." Personnel of this command receiving requests for solicitation by this organization for the above mentioned purpose will forward such requests to this Hq. Attn: ACofS, G2.

Don't Forget
Mother's Day
May 10th

Blood Drive Here Breaks Records

Blood collection records were made and broken last week as the blood drive here intensified. A new record for total collections in one month was set when 1470 pints were collected April 21-24. The 248 pints of whole blood collected (also a record) are being distributed in combat zones in Korea already. The whole blood was first used here, re-used in San Jose and flown from Travis Air Force Base to Korea. One thousand and two hundred twenty-two pints of plasma were collected. A record for collections in one day was set on Tuesday and broken on Wednesday. The first day of the drive, Tuesday, 336 people gave blood. Wednesday the total went up to 439. Major Chester T. Hino, assistant blood bank director, expressed gratification with the results and said that he was "especially pleased with participation of civilian personnel." Ninety-four civilians volunteered and 73 pints were collected from them. This is 60 pints more than the previous month.—PIO.

Training Companies Pick Honor Men



PVT. McDONOLD

NATO Instrument Of Peace, Says Ike At Anniversary

The North Atlantic Treaty Organization, the central source of strength for the defense of the Western World, observed its 4th anniversary recently. Founded by representatives of 12 free nations, NATO countries have continually worked together to shape one of history's strongest ties in the preservation of world peace. President Eisenhower, one-time head of the organization, termed NATO "an instrument of peace," but he stressed the necessity for vigilance and unity of effort among free nations in order to meet any possible aggression. The President stated: "The 200,000,000 people of the NATO nations in Europe are in the deepest sense bound together by a unity more profound than any pact. They are skilled in work, courageous in spirit and tenacious in their love of freedom. . . . If they and their resources ever were captured and exploited by the aggressor there would be no corner of safety anywhere in the world. But so long as these people and these resources are joined with those of the U.S. in our common cause, no aggressor can be blind to the folly of attack." Present head of NATO is Supreme Commander Allied Powers in Europe (SCAPE) Gen. Matthew B. Ridgway with headquarters in Paris, France. He is also Commander-in-Chief U.S. European Command (CINCEUR). When NATO was first created there were 12 members: Belgium, Britain, Canada, Denmark, France, Iceland, Italy, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Norway, Portugal and the U.S. Since then Turkey and Greece have joined.—AFPS.

New Martinliners Go Into Operation

A courtesy flight on Southwest Airways' new Martin Mainliner was given last Friday at the Paso Robles Airport to Camp Roberts personnel and numerous county residents. Attending from Camp Roberts were Capt. Rudy Black, Post Transportation Office, Capt. John E. Emerson, Jr., Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2, Capt. Novian E. Anderson, Assistant Motor Officer, Capt. Clifford Bailey, S-4 Division Trains, and Warrant Officer Joseph J. Cipriano, Assistant Adjutant, DivTrains. Acting as master of ceremonies for the afternoon was Malcolm Dickerman, Paso Robles station manager for the airways. He introduced Paso Robles Mayor Russell Gates who told the assembled dignitaries of the advancement made by Southwest since their first flight in September, 1949.

DivArty I&E Award Goes To 434th Unit

Four "best" awards were handed out to units in Division Artillery last Saturday. A new award, for the best Information & Education unit, was given to Battery A, 434th Armored Field Artillery Battalion. The I&E NCO is Cpl. Gilbert Jarman. This award is based on USAFI enrollments and appearance of the I&E bulletin board. Best mess went to Battery C, 489th AFAB. The sergeant is SFC George W. Hicks. The same battery also won best supply award. Supply sergeant is SFC Gerald J. Bolton. The fourth platoon of Battery B, 440 AFAB received the best barracks award.

Two Colonels Receive New Roberts Post Assignments



COLONEL LEHRFELD

I&E Sergeant Given Award For Achievement

"For extraordinary teaching techniques and wise supervisory ability," Sgt. Walter Hoffer has been awarded the Division's Certificate of Achievement by Major General R. F. Sink, Commanding General. Sgt. Hoffer, 7th Quartermaster Battalion's Information & Education NCO, was separated last Saturday. During the III Corps inspection in December, 1952, he received honorable mention for maintenance of his battalion's I&E Center. One of the most outstanding of Sgt. Hoffer's displays was a large world map with news clippings attached to streamers. The Sergeant took basic here with Company B, 95th Heavy Tank Battalion, Reserve Command, and graduated as honor man in class 19 of Wire School in August, 1951. He served as an instructor at the school until February, 1952, when he was assigned to battalion headquarters as I&E NCO. Before he was drafted two years ago, Sgt. Hoffer attended Northwestern University, Evanston, Ill., and was a traveling salesman for a Montana meat packing concern. He plans to return to that job in Billings, Mont.

Hougham Named Utilization Chief

Jack Hougham of the civilian personnel office here, has been appointed chief of the employee utilization branch, it was announced by C. J. Deacon, post civilian personnel officer. Prior to coming to Camp Roberts in May, 1952, Hougham spent two years as a correspondent on the Fresno Bee and as special feature writer for the Visalia Times Delta. He was with the National Reemployment Service, California Department of Employment, and the War Man Power Commission, Department of Labor, during World War II and then returned to take over the position of office manager, California Department of Employment for the San Luis Obispo, Paso Robles area.

Host Advisory Group At Hunter Liggett

Major General R. F. Sink, Commanding General, was host to the Army Advisory Group for the Paso Robles area at a dinner last Thursday at Hunter Liggett Military Reservation. Guests included staff officers of Roberts and Mr. and Mrs. James Madden, Dr. and Mrs. Russell Gates, Mr. and Mrs. George Stepan, Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Slate, Mr. and Mrs. A. Nye Thurlby, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Morehouse and Mr. Harlow B. Ford, all of Paso Robles.

Court Tax Rule Favors Services

Servicemen and women are exempt from local taxes on personal property other than in their home states, the United States Supreme Court ruled 6 April. The decision reversed a previous ruling by the Colorado Supreme Court against an Air Force officer, Clairborn Dameron, Denver, Colo. City and county officials attempted to collect personal property tax on household goods belonging to Dameron, a native of Port Allen, La., who was assigned to Lowry AFB, Denver. Dameron appealed to the higher court after the Colorado Supreme Court held that local tax exemption specified in the 1940 Soldiers and Sailors Civil Relief Act was contingent on proof that the personal property had already been taxed in the servicemen's home state. All military personnel are advised not to pay California Personal Property taxes if they are not permanent residents of the State of California. Those individuals who reside in this state pursuant to PCR or TDY orders and who are actually residents of another state need not pay California Personal Property taxes. Further inquiries should be directed to Lt. Berger, Ext. 476.

Colonels Folkes And Lehrfeld Assume Duties

Colonel John G. Folkes, of San Antonio, Texas, is the new Chief of Staff, 7th Armored Division. Colonel Irving Lehrfeld has been assigned as Assistant Deputy Post Commander, and Commanding Officer of the 6100 Area Service Unit.

Colonel Folkes, who has just returned from Pakistan where he has been senior military observer with the United Nations Commission, is a 1926 graduate of Virginia Military Institute. He entered the Virginia National Guard after his graduation and remained with the guard until the unit was activated. He has been on active duty since that time. He served with the Headquarters 10th Army in Okinawa until December 1945, and after the war attended a post hostilities course at Yale University. On completion of the four months' course of instruction, he returned to Okinawa in May 1946 and remained until June 1947. Colonel Folkes wears the Bronze Star Medal, the Commendation Ribbon, the Asiatic Pacific Ribbon, American Defense Ribbon, World War II Victory Medal, and the Pre-Pearl Harbor Ribbon. He has attended the Battalion Commanders and Staff Officers' Course, Fort Benning, Ga., and the Command and General Staff College at Fort Leavenworth, Kan. The Colonel's wife and two children, John, Jr., 19, and Peggy Lee, 17, are in San Antonio, Tex. They will remain there until the children graduate from school in June, and will then join the colonel at Camp Roberts.

A much decorated veteran of World War II and the Korean conflict, Colonel Lehrfeld has been Chief of Staff of the 7th Armored Division since his assignment to Camp Roberts in October, 1952. As commanding officer of the Second Battalion, 345th Infantry Regiment, 37th Division, during World War II, he saw considerable service in the European theatre. He returned stateside in 1945 and was liaison officer for Army Ground Forces, Fort Meade, Md. In 1946 he was assigned to the Latin American Studies Course at the University of Michigan, and upon his graduation became executive to the senior instructor of the Puerto Rican National Guard. He remained in Puerto Rico three years, and commanded the 65th Infantry Regiment. Colonel Lehrfeld was assigned to the operations section of the Office of the Chief of Army Field Forces in 1949 and remained there until ordered to Korea in 1951. He commanded the 5th Cavalry Regiment, 1st Cavalry Division in Korea from 1951 to 1952. He wears among his decorations the Legion of Merit, the Silver Star with Oak Leaf Cluster, the Bronze Star with Oak Leaf Cluster, and the Combat Infantry Badge. A graduate of the United States Military Academy at West Point in 1931, he also graduated from the Infantry School in 1939 and the Command and General Staff School in 1941.—PIO.



COLONEL FOLKES

Cadre Conduct Leaders' Course Retreat Parade

For the second time in as many years, non-commissioned officers conducted a Leaders' Course retreat parade last Friday. Four classes, 87, 88, 89 and 90 participated, while class 91—composed of new students observed the procedure as part of their training. An honor streamer was placed on the guidon of class 88 by Commander of Troops M/Sgt. John Williams, Liaison Dept. Besides Sgt. Williams, the staff included M/Sgt. Harry Elam, Liaison Dept., as adjutant; M/Sgt. Herbert Appuhn, S-4 Section; and Sfc. Ronald Crook, Headquarters Supply. The classes were commanded by Cpl. Hulend Quattlebaum, Cpl. Elvis Mason, Pvt. Edwin Borden and Cpl. Donald Robertson. These men are all in the Tactical Dept., where they serve as cadre. CWO Kenneth E. Holloway, new band leader, led the 7th Armored Division band in providing background music.

Extend Deadline For WWII Bonus

Washington.—The original deadlines for applying for veterans bonuses in the states of Montana and West Virginia have been extended. Montana: Deadline for WWII bonus applications has been extended to Dec. 31, 1953. Veterans with honorable service between Dec. 7, 1941, and Sept. 2, 1945, who are residents of the state at the time of entry into the Service are eligible. Payments are \$10 for each month of stateside service and \$15 for each month of overseas service. Maximum payment is \$675. Applications may be obtained from the State Board of Examiners, Helena, Mont. West Va.: Deadline for WW I and II bonus applications has been extended to June 30, 1953. Eligible veterans with 90 or more days of active service between April 6, 1917, and Nov. 11, 1918, and between Dec. 7, 1941, and Sept. 2, 1945. Applicant must have been a resident of the state for six months prior to entry into the Service. Payments are \$10 for each month of stateside service and \$15 for each month of overseas service. Maximum payment is \$400. Applications may be obtained from the State Department of Veterans Affairs, P. O. Box 5127, Capitol Station, Charleston, West Va.—(AFPS).

Achievement Award

Prior to his departure for overseas, CWO Robert L. Horton received a Certificate of Achievement from Major General R. F. Sink, Commanding General, 7th Armored Division. Mr. Horton was commended for the outstanding manner in which he developed the 7th Armored Division band of which he has been commander and director since January, 1951.

Regular Army Accepts First Woman Doctor

Washington.—The Army has revealed that the first woman physician has been sworn into the Regular Army. She's 1st Lt. Fae M. Adams, MC, of San Jose, Calif. Lt. Adams has been stationed at the Camp Crowder, Mo., reception center since July 6, 1952 and is a former member of the WAC. She was one of the Army's 20 women Reserve medical officers now on active duty before she went "RA." On July 1, she will report to Walter Reed Hospital, Washington, to begin resident training.

