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#### Welcome

I confidently expect that you will find your tour at Fort Benning rewarding and satisfying as you assist in accomplishing the many missions assigned to units here. These missions are vital to our Nation's defense.

You will find Fort Benning a pleasant place to serve. We have here, on-post and in the friendly civilian communities surrounding us, a wide selection of wholesome, healthful activities for your leisure time. This publication should prove valuable to you as a guide to these activities.

I urge you to exercise wholeheartedly the responsibility of a good citizen to enter fully into the community life of Fort Benning and our surrounding towns. It is your privilege to take full advantage of the many facilities available to you.

Our friendly environment in this military community and our cordial relationship with our civilian neighbors are things we value highly. I am certain that you will wish to join actively in our continuing effort to maintain and improve them.

COMMANDING GENERAL







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#### **History of Fort Benning**

Camp Benning was founded Oct. 7, 1918, as a consolidation of three Infantry Schools then operating at widely scattered locations. Probably not even the most far sighted military leaders could envision today's Fort Benning—an installation which has earned the title of "the world's most complete Army post."

From an original small tent encampment, Fort Benning has grown until today the post encompasses some 182,000 acres or 286 square miles. There are more than 6,200 buildings and facilities which could support a population of more than 86,000. At present there are approximately 40,000 troops stationed here.

Roads, streets, buildings, ranges and terrain features are named for units that served in World Wars I and II, for battle areas in France identified by action of American units, for American soldiers killed in action and for other famed American soldiers. The post itself is named in honor of a distinguished Confederate Army officer, Maj. Gen. Henry L. Benning, whose home was in Columbus, Georgia.

Following World War I, the Department of the Army issued orders that Fort Benning was to be salvaged. Perhaps that would have ended Fort Benning's history. But Major Paul Jones, who re-

ceived the order, consulted the dictionary and found that the word "salvage" meant to "save." Armed with this definition, he issued orders that all buildings be painted to "save" them.

During the peaceful years of the 1920's and 1930's, many of the military leaders of World War II saw service at Fort Benning. Among them were Generals of the Army Dwight D. Eisenhower, George C. Marshall and Omar N. Bradley; Generals J. Lawton Collins, Joseph W. Stilwell, Mark Clark, Courtney H. Hodges, Nathan F. Twining, Alexander M. Patch, Simon B. Buckner, and many other distinguished officers.

On Nov. 1, 1949, all units and activities at Fort Benning were gathered under one command to form The Infantry Center. This reorganization consolidated two jobs—that of the commanding general of the post and the commandant of The Infantry School.

Future America owes a debt of gratitude to yesterday's and today's officers and enlisted men of The Infantry Center. Their vision and persistent effort created this center of instruction where today the U. S. Army Infantry School continues to make history, fulfilling its mission of training the Infantryman for his decisive role in modern warfare.

#### History of the U.S. Army Infantry School

The U. S. Army Infantry School, first known as the Infantry School of Practice, came into being in 1826 at Jefferson Barracks, Mo. Two years later, the school was discontinued because the Indian Wars had interrupted its scheduled courses. Almost 80 years passed before it was re-established in 1907 when Lt. Gen. Arthur MacArthur became commandant of the School of Musketry at the Presidio of Monterey, Calif. In 1913, the school was moved to Fort Sill, Okla., and its name changed to The Infantry School of Arms. The Artillery School, then named the Artillery School of Arms, was also located at Fort Sill.

As a result of World War I Army expansion, a Small Arms Firing School was formed at Camp Perry, Ohio, and a Machine Gun School was established at Camp Hancock, Ga. The Infantry School of Arms continued to function at Fort Sill.

Having these units so widely separated proved unsatisfactory, so in 1918 these three schools were combined to form The Infantry School at Fort Benning. Its personnel then consisted of 125 officers and 1,200 enlisted men. In September 1919, the order was issued for the complete and final reorganization of The Infantry School as a permanent installation and the Fort Benning area was enlarged to 98,000 acres.

In July 1941, The Infantry School opened its first officer candidate class. The last World War II class was graduated Dec. 9, 1946. During that period, 70,000 second lieutenants were graduated.

Shortly after the termination of World War II, the officer candidate program was discontinued. With the outbreak of hostilities in Korea, however, the need for additional junior officers resulted in a resumption of their program in February, 1951. In March, 1953, the school assumed the task of training officer candidates for other arms and services except the Artillery.

From a student body of a few hundred, the U. S. Army Infantry School has grown into the Army's largest educational institution.

#### **Infantry School Courses**

Infantry Officer Orientation Course Allied Associate Company Officer Associate Infantry Officer Advanced Infantry Officer Refresher Allied Infantry Motor Transportation Trainfire Instructor Airborne Infantry Officer Candidate Army Reserve Officer Candidate Infantry Radio Maintenance Infantry Automotive Supervision
Associate Infantry Commanding Officer
Infantry Officer Advanced
Allied Officer Advanced
Allied Communication Officer
Pathfinder
Ranger
Infantry Counterfire Supervision
National Guard OCS
Advanced NCO

#### Arrival

All incoming personnel should report to the Reception Office, Room 11, Building No. 5, at the center of Vibbert Ave. and Sigerfoos St., directly opposite the Catholic Chapel. The Reception Office

is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Both officer and enlisted personnel, including students, visitors, transient and permanent personnel, report to this office.

#### **Allied Training Program**

An important aspect of the Military Assistance Program of the United States government is the training of military representatives from foreign countries in American service schools. This training is designed to unify the defense of the free world and to teach selected officers and noncommissioned officers in the employment and maintenance of American military equipment furnished these countries under the program.

The United States Army Infantry School plays a major role in this effort, training between 700 and 800 allied students yearly from as many as 45 different nations. Allied students are enrolled either in special allied courses in which the instruction is presented through interpreters, or in regularly scheduled classes with U. S. students.

#### **American Red Cross**

The main office of the Red Cross is located on the corner of Vibbert Ave. and Ingersoll St. across from Doughboy Stadium. A sub-office for the convenience of troops in the Sand Hill, Harmony Church and Kelley Hill areas is located in Building 3818, Sand Hill. There is also a Red Cross office at the Martin Army Hospital for service to patients and the Medical Detachment.

Office hours for the main Red Cross office are

8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday. The hours for the suboffice are 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Twenty-four-hour service daily, including holidays and Sunday, is available to personnel confronted with emergency situations after regular hours. However, in these situations, a report should be made to the duty officer who will determine whether the problem is such as to require Red Cross service.

#### Automobile Registration

Registration of automobiles must be initiated with the Provost Marshal's office when the vehicle is initially introduced onto the reservation. The following documents are required at time of registration: valid state operator's permit (driving license),

registration certificate of vehicle and proof of ownership, valid up-to-date insurance policy in the minimum broad coverage of \$10,000/\$20,000 public liability and \$5,000 property damage, and an inspection slip obtained at the Provost Marshal's Office.



THE INFANTRYMAN STATUE

#### **Banking Facilities**

Post banking facilities consist of three banking houses. Two are branch offices of banks located in Columbus, Ga., the Columbus Bank and Trust Co. and the First National Bank, whose offices are located in Building 16 on Vibbert Ave. These banks are open from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday through Friday and from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. on Friday.

The National Bank of Fort Benning is located

across from the Main Post Exchange on Wold Ave. It is open from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Monday through Thursday. 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Friday. The bank is closed on Saturdays. At the discretion of the bank officials, the bank remains open for longer periods in the evenings on payday.

#### **Book Department**

The Book Department of the U. S. Army Infantry School maintains large stocks of instructional material, training aids and school supplies of all types. Instructional material prepared by the instructional departments can be purchased at the Main Book Store. The Book Department also car-

ries an extensive line of quality Infantry School souvenirs, swagger sticks, trophies and professional military books. In addition, the Book Department operates a complete Mail Order Service. Catalogs are available at both stores.

#### **Bowling Alleys**

Special Services operates three bowling alleys:

Bowling Alley No. 26, located on Ingersoll St. next to the old Post Gymnasium, is open Mondays through Fridays from 5 to 10 p.m. and Saturdays and Sundays from 1 to 10 p.m.

Bowling Alley No. 24, located in the Lawson

Army Airfield area, is open Mondays through Fridays from 5 to 10 p.m., closed Saturdays and open Sundays from 1 to 10 p.m.

Bowling Alley No. 22, located on Scott Ave. in Sand Hill, is open Mondays through Fridays from 5 to 10 p.m., Saturdays from 1 to 10 p.m., and closed Sundays.

#### Education

Military personnel may enroll in United States Armed Forces Institute courses or correspondence courses. Extension courses, on the junior and senior level, may be taken through the University of Georgia branch in Columbus. Columbus College offers courses on the freshman and sophomore level.

College level courses are also offered on post in connection with the American University.

For information and enrollment, contact the Educational Development Section, Building 2512, Indianhead Road, telephone 545-4111.

#### **Firearms**

Enlisted men quartered with their organizations are required to keep privately owned arms and ammunition in the organizational storerooms. Battalions and separate organizations commanders will keep an up-to-date list of all firearms owned by enlisted men of their command and kept on the reservation. Copies of such lists will be forwarded to the Provost Marshal's office.

The carrying of arms anywhere on the reservation is prohibited, except by individuals engaged in the performance of military duty, skeet shooting, trap shooting, authorized pistol and rifle target shooting or authorized hunting.

The firing of any arms whatsoever within the limits of the garrison proper is prohibited, except on authorized duty.

The use of rifles for hunting is prohibited.

All personnel quartered separately are required to report to the Provost Marshal any weapons kept in their quarters.

All privately owned weapons brought on the reservation for hunting or for any other purpose must be registered with the Provost Marshal. Carrying of concealed weapons is prohibited.

#### Fort Benning Major Units

THE 2ND INFANTRY DIVISION arrived at Fort Benning as the result of the deactivation of the 10th Division in June, 1958. The famous "Indianhead" Division possesses outstanding combat records in World Wars I and II and in the Korean conflict. It was the first division in the U. S. Army to reorganize under the ROAD concept.

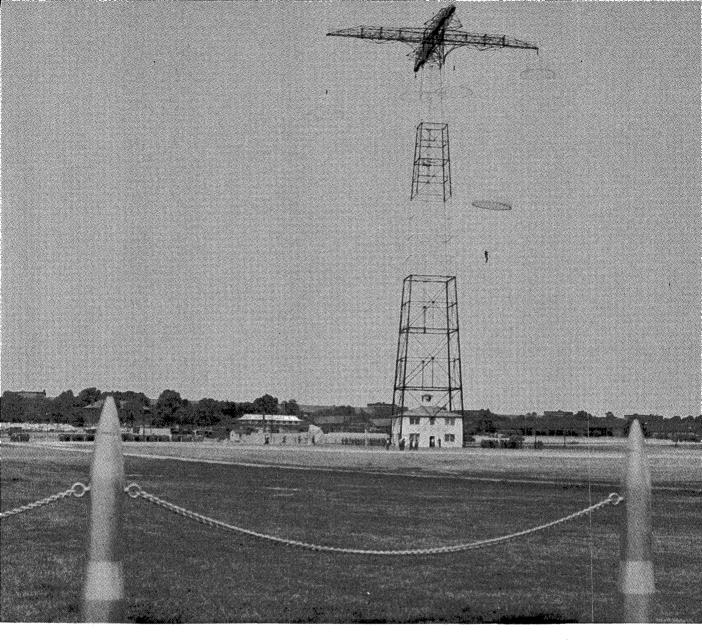
THE 11th AIR ASSAULT DIVISION (TEST) was organized in February 1963 to test the latest concepts of an air mobile capability for Infantry. Located in the Harmony Church area, the test division contains many of the Army's latest

rotary and fixed-wing aircraft.

THE U. S. ARMY INFANTRY CENTER TROOP COMMAND acts as a centralized organizational and control agency for the various units supporting The Infantry Center, relieving it of many time-consuming administrative functions.

THE 197th INFANTRY BRIGADE, formed from elements of the U. S. Army Infantry School Troop Command, is assigned to the Third U. S. Army with the mission of supporting The Infantry School and The Infantry Center.

THE STUDENT BRIGADE houses, feeds,



250-FOOT AIRBORNE TRAINING TOWER

pays and administers to students at The Infantry School.

LAWSON ARMY AVIATION COMMAND was founded in 1919 as an observation balloon post for the Infantry. It now supports Infantry Center activities.

U. S. ARMY INFANTRY BOARD was established at Fort Benning late in 1919. Its mission is evaluating recommendations for development and testing and making recommendations on Infantry weapons, clothing and equipment.

U. S. ARMY COMBAT DEVELOPMENT COMMAND, INFANTRY AGENCY was organized in July 1962 as an agency of the Combat De-

velopments Command at Fort Belvoir, Virginia. It develops current doctrine and future concepts including organization, tactics, and material requirements relating to the infantry, mechanized infantry, and airborne infantry.

U. S. ARMY INFANTRY HUMAN RE-SEARCH UNIT was organized at Fort Benning in November, 1953, as a branch of the Human Resources Research Office of George Washington University. It is charged with studying the psychological aspects of training and combat to develop new training and fighting techniques.

MARTIN ARMY HOSPITAL, located ap-

proximately three miles from the Main Post on scenic Houston Hill, was officially opened July 1, 1958. The U. S. Army Hospital at Fort Benning began operation in 1919 and has grown to the present \$8 million medical facility with a staff of approximately 1,000.

THE U. S. ARMY MARKSMANSHIP TRAINING UNIT assists in conducting the All-Army Rifle and Pistol Championships, selects and trains candidates for positions on U. S. international shooting teams and conducts an advanced marks-

manship coaches training course.

THE 428th MEDICAL BATTALION supports the U. S. Army Infantry Center and provides medical assistance to the 151st Engineer Group in forming rescue and recovery teams.

THE THIRD U. S. ARMY TRAINING AIDS SUBCENTER is the senior of eight subcenters in the Third Army area. Its mission is to provide fast and economical availability of training aids to active Army, U. S. Army Reserve, National Guard and ROTC units.

The Main Officers Open Mess features a 36-hole golf course for members of the officers club. The golf course is open seven days a week.

#### Golf

The Sand Hill enlisted men's golf course, located in the Sand Hill area, is open from 12 noon to 6 p.m. weekdays, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturdays, Sundays and holidays. Closed Monday.

#### **Guest Houses**

The three Guest Houses operated by the Post Exchange are provided to furnish overnight transient accommodations for immediate families, relatives and friends of military personnel. These are:

Main Post Guest House—Vibbert Ave., 545-3600 Sand Hill Guest House—Fourth St., 544-7808 Guest House No. 66—Harmony Church,

Hershey Road

Guest House reservations are accepted for three-day periods only. If the guests desire to stay for a longer period of time and space is available, an extension is granted.

Rates are \$1 per adult per night and 50 cents per child (under 12 years of age) for rooms sharing bath; \$1.50 per adult and 75 cents per child for rooms with private bath.

#### Horseback Riding

The Hunt Club, located on Marne Rd., is one of the most recently organized activities for military

personnel and their families. Horses are available for sale and rent:

#### **Household Goods**

For information concerning incoming shipments of household goods and other personal property and for delivery and unpacking services call 545-4041. Shipments by van carriers should not be made until after assignment to quarters. The ordering transportation officer may arrange for intransit storage under current regulations.

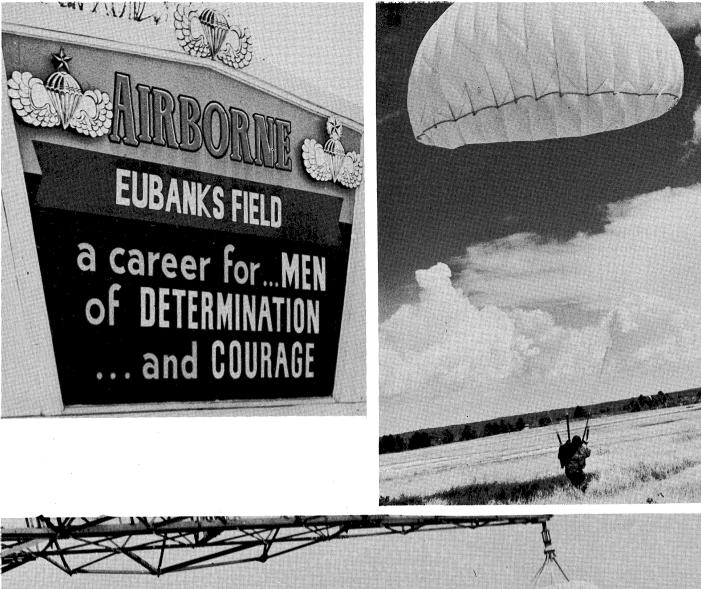
#### Hunting and Fishing

The Fish and Game Association is a volunteer organization of military personnel interested in the protection and propagation of wild life on the reservation. Membership in this organization and hunting license may be obtained from the F & GA located in Bldg. 4050, Harmony Church. Hunting and fishing are prohibited on the reservation without a license. Membership in the organization entitles a person to have a voice in the widespread

and far reaching activities of this active body, and makes him eligible for participation in several organized activities throughout the year, including special hunts, dove shoots, a turkey shoot and the spring fishing and skish tournament. Hunting and fishing regulations, bag limits and the area for hunting and fishing are furnished at the time the license is issued.



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#### Legal Assistance

The Legal Assistance Office is in the U. S. Army Infantry Center Annex Building 5 at the corner of Vibbert Ave. and Sigerfoos Rd. A qualified attorney is on duty daily to provide legal assistance and advice to military personnel and their dependents. It is usually best to make an appoint-

ment by telephoning 545-4893.

Counseling is provided for all legal matters except actual litigation in civilian courts. A liaison service has been established with the Columbus Lawyers Club to provide without charge legal assistance by a civilian lawyer on a volunteer basis.

#### Libraries

The U. S. Army Infantry School Library is a military reference library and provides a reference collection of books, documents, maps and related material pertaining to military matters and allied subjects.

The following libraries are maintained for members of the command and are under the direction of the Special Services officer:

Main Library on Wold Ave. next to the Main Theatre.

Branch Library No. 1 in Martin Army Hospital. Branch Library No. 2 on 4th St. in the Sand Hill Area.

Branch Library No. 5 in the Harmony Church area. (Open when ROTC cadets are in training).

Branch Library No. 6 in Building No. 9010 in the Kelley Hill area.

#### Little Theater

Fort Benning has a Little Theater group, which is open to all officers, enlisted men, civilian employees and military dependents, and members of the local community. No experience is necessary to join this group. Anyone interested in any phase of

Little Theatre work—acting, costumes, lighting, directing, producing, ticket sales or publicity—is welcome.

For information call 545-5641.

#### Main Officers' Open Mess

All Army commissioned personnel and warrant officers reporting to Fort Benning will be considered as members of the Main Officers' Mess upon arrival. Should an officer not desire to become a member, he will submit a letter to the Commanding General, U. S. Army Infantry Center, through command channels, tendering his resignation and stating the reasons.

Officers and warrant officers assigned to Fort Benning for less than 30 days will not be required to pay monthly dues, but will be granted guest privileges. Guest cards will be issued for this purpose.

Fort Benning has one of the finest Officers'

Clubs in the Army, with annexes conveniently located throughout the post. The club offers dining room food service, guest rooms, tennis courts, swimming pools and barber and beauty shops. In addition it operates the Country Club with a 36-hole golf course, a Skeet Club, branch canteens and other facilities. A kennel is available to board pets belonging to members.

Club annexes and various lounges and rooms may be reserved through the catering office for private or official parties. Information relative to membership is furnished during reception processing.

#### **Medical Care**

Martin Army Hospital, located northwest of the Main Post on Houston Hill, furnishes hospital care for all military personnel and their dependents and retired personnel and their dependents residing in Columbus and vicinity.

For outpatient care, military personnel should

report to one of the four area troop dispensaries. Sick-call at all dispensaries is held at 7:30 a.m., Monday through Saturday.

Dependents and retired personnel should report to the Hospital Dispensary located on the first floor of Martin Army Hospital. Appointments are



SWIMMING POOL AT MAIN OFFICERS' OPEN MESS

normally required except in cases of emergency when they can be obtained by calling the Central Appointment Desk.

Emergency medical care, including emergency ambulance service, is provided 24 hours daily at the

Emergency Room. All personnel are requested not to use the facilities of the Emergency Room unless they are true emergencies and cannot wait until regular duty hours at the Hospital Dispensary.

#### Museum -

U. S. Army Infantry Museum, located on Ingersoll Street, is open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through

Friday and 12:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. Saturdays, Sundays and holidays.

#### **NCO Messes**

All noncommissioned officer personnel are encouraged to become members of the Fort Benning NCO Open Mess as soon as possible after arrival on post.

The dues are \$1 monthly. Membership cards may be procured at Crain Hall for E-5 and above, Annex 1, 2, or Victroy Lodge for E-4 and above, Annex 3 is for privates and PFC's and has no mem-

bership fee. The main office is located at Building 1413.

Each club offers food service.

A package store is located at entrance to Crain Hall.

Reservations for private parties can be made at Crain Hall 545-4106 or Victory Lodge at 545-6630, or at Annex 545-1237, or at any of the branch clubs by contacting the managers.

#### **Nurseries**

At the sign of the pixie trademark is DUSA Tot Town Nursery, formerly the Main Post Children's Nursery. Children from three months of age up are accepted for care.

Tot Town provides free sanitary diaper service, trained uniformed attendants, separation of older children from toddlers, refreshment periods and lunches, fenced play areas with modern and sturdy play equipment, and scheduled play routines for the older children.

Yearly \$1 registration card entitles families to special rates, discount cards and use of the Day Care Plan. Regular rates are 35 cents per child per hour for one child, 45 cents per hour for two children in the same family, and 50 cents per hour for three or more children in the same family with membership card.

Hours: Monday and Wednesday 0730-11 p.m.; Tuesday and Thursday 0730-6 p.m.; Friday 0730-1 a.m.; Saturday 9 a.m.-1 a.m.; Sunday 9 a.m.-1130 p.m. Special openings for post or unit functions are arranged upon request. It is located in Buildings 1075 and 1076, Old Hospital Area. Telephone 545-3004.

The Commissary Nursery is operated by Army Daughters for use of Commissary patrons only, and is open during Commissary sales hours. Rates: 15c per child for first hour, five cents for next half hour. After the first 1½ hours, there is a penalty charge of 50 cents per child per hour or fraction thereof.

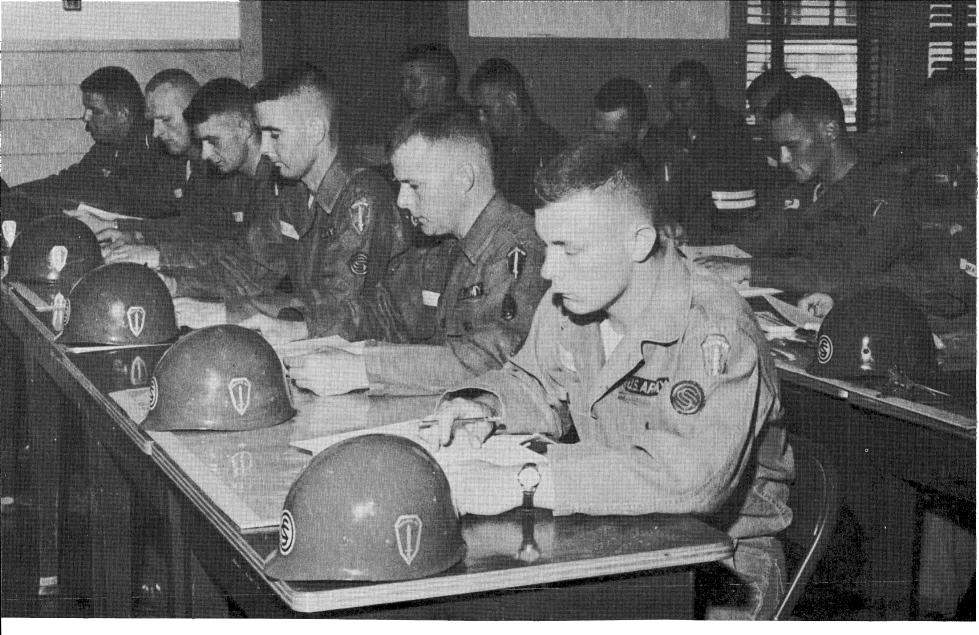
There is a fenced play yard with modern equipment. The nursery is located to the rear of the Milk Bar Building, opposite the Commissary.

#### **Officer Candidate School**

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OFFICER CANDIDATES ATTEND CLASSES

#### **Pets**

All dogs and cats must be registered at the age of eight weeks and receive a rabies shot. The post

veterinarian is located in Building 265, telephone 545-1191.

#### **Post Craft and Photo Labs**

Post Craft Shop and Photo Lab are located on the south side of Doughboy Stadium on Main Post. Hours of operation are from 6 to 10 p.m. Tuesdays through Fridays; 1 to 5 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays. The shops are well lighted and equipped and are staffed with experienced instructors. Crafts available are photography, woodwork, art and sign painting.

Craft Shops also are located in the following buildings:

#### **Post Exchanges**

The Fort Benning Post Exchange System comprises approximately 50 branches at troop locations over the entire reservation. Included are restaurants, snack bars, soda fountains, guest houses and service stations, in addition to the regular retail stores.

The Main Exchange is located in Building No. 1711 on Wold Ave., behind the Howard Bus Terminal. This exchange carries clothing, uniforms, insignia, sporting goods, luggage, cosmetics and other articles, in addition to regular PX items. Sand Hill and Harmony Church areas have principal branches which carry the same merchandise as the Main Exchange, except for women's and children's clothing.

The following Concession services are available in the Main Post Shopping Center area:

Barber Shop Tailor Shop Dry Cleaners Photo Studio

Beauty Shop

TV and Radio Repair

Washateria Watch Repair

#### **Post Office**

The Fort Benning branch of the Columbus Post Office is at the intersection of Vibbert Ave. and Ingersoll St. It offers all the regular postal facilities, including Post Office rental boxes.

Hours of operation are from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

#### Bldg. 394 Shop No. 1-Main Post Bldg. 3788 Shop No. 2-Sand Hill Bldg. 4846 Shop No. 3—Harmony Church Bldg. 3145 Shop No. 4-Sand Hill Bldg. 3809 Shop No. 6—Sand Hill (Auto) Shop No. 7-Main Post Bldg. 334 Bldg. 2057 Shop No. 8-Main Post (Auto) Photo Lab-Main Post Bldg. 394

Soft drinks and ice-cream drive-ins are located at Marchant and Anderson Streets on the Main Post and in Sand Hill adjacent to the principal Post Exchange Branch on Scott-Ave.

There are two Post Exchange Cafeterias on the Main Post, one at the corner of Wold Avenue and Ingersoll St. open from 7 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Monday through Saturday and 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Sunday. The other location is in the Lawson Army Airfield area. It is open from 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday only. Breakfast and lunch are served to both military and civilian personnel.

The Main Officers' Open Mess also has a cafeteria serving breakfast and lunch Monday through Saturday and breakfast only on Sunday.

Snack Bars are located in various sections of the post.

Identification is required of all personnel in civilian clothing except in food establishments.

Monday through Friday, and 8:30 a.m. to noon on Saturday. It is closed Sundays and legal holidays.

One special feature of the post office is the daily mail service by postmen to family quarters on the post.

#### Privilege ID Cards

Newly arrived permanent personnel may obtain privilege cards from the unit to which assigned.

Personnel retiring from the service may obtain

identification cards from the Reception Unit, Building 5, U. S. Army Infantry Center Annex.



#### MARTIN ARMY HOSPITAL

#### **Quarters**

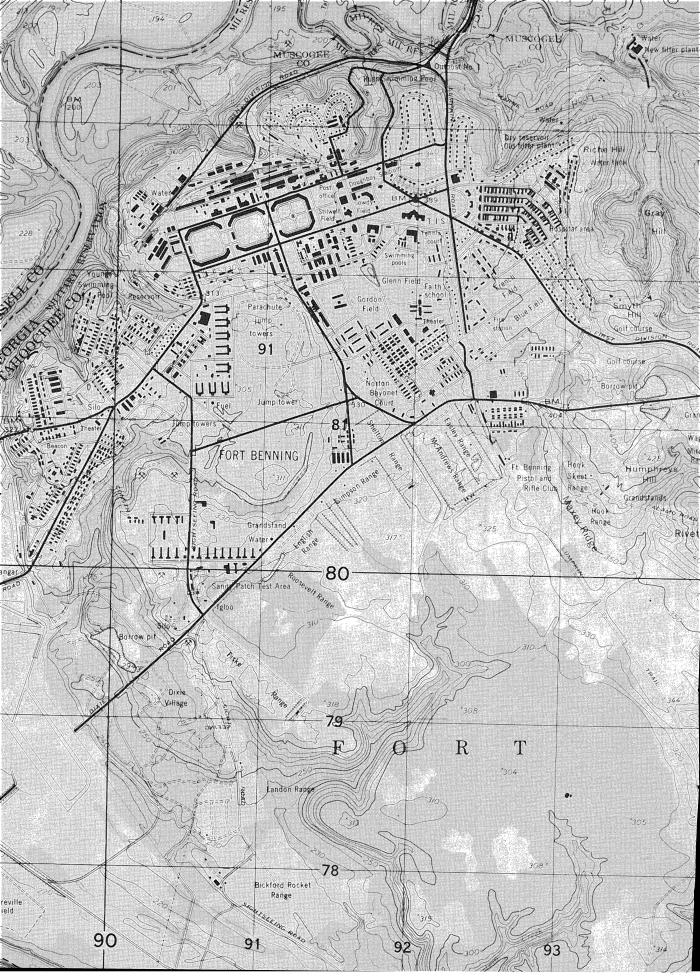
Application for government quarters may be made at the Family Quarters Branch, Billeting Division, located in room 18, U. S. Army Infantry Center Annex in Building 5. There are 1474 sets of officers' quarters. 413 of which are located on Main Post. Enlisted men's quarters number 1365. Government quarters are assigned according to rank and date of rank.

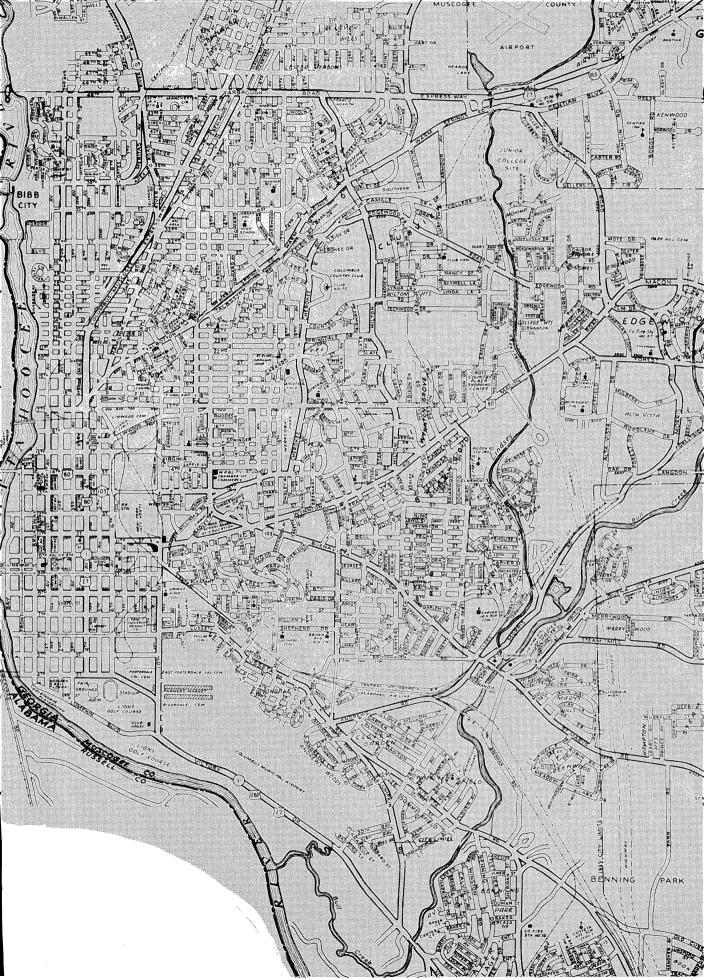
Battle Park Homes, an apartment project consisting of 200 two and three-bedroom units, is located on the reservation near the Main Post. Officer personnel permanently assigned to Fort Benning who have reported for duty are eligible to

apply for housing in Battle Park Homes. Provided standing vacancies exist in the project, officers stationed at Fort Benning on temporary duty may apply for quarters here.

Temporary housing for families of officer personnel is usually available for a period no longer than two weeks at the Officers' Club or the Officers' Club Annex, provided reservations are made in advance.

Temporary housing for families of enlisted personnel is usually available at one of the two Guest Houses.





#### Recreation

Recreation facilities at Fort Benning include bowling alleys, golf, archery, movies, skeet shooting, a hobby shop, swimming pools and various other sports and entertainment features.

U. S. ARMY INFANTRY CENTER RECREATIONAL AREA, located on 2nd Armored Division Rd. near Lee Field, is available to all personnel at the post for private or organizational parties and outings. This is a large area with several barbecue pits. A huge lodge is available for dancing with an outside concrete lighted patio. Deep well water is available and electricity is provided. This area provides an ideal location for picnics and unit parties. Distance to this area is approximately 14 miles from the Main Post and can be reached by following the directional signs to Lee Field. Use of this facility is by reservation only, arranged by calling Special Services, telephone LI 3-3136.

U. S. ARMY INFANTRY CENTER REST

CAMP, DESTIN, FLORIDA, is operated by Special Services for the benefit of military personnel and their dependents stationed at Fort Benning. It is located on Chocawhatchee Bay along the Florida Gulf Coast, about midway between Panama City and Pensacola, approximately 230 miles from Fort Benning. The rest camp is equipped with fibre glass boats adaptable for outboard motors. There is also a playground for children, including swings, a teeter-totter, slide, etc. Barbecue pits, a volleyball court and space to play horseshoes are provided. The camp consists of eight cabins plus a caretaker's cabin and 12 acres of land. The cabins are about 50 vards from the beach. There are an electric stove, lights and refrigerator in each cabin. For deep sea fishing, confer with the caretaker. For further information, call the recreation and entertainment officer at Fort Benning 545-1922.

#### **Religious Activities**

A program of religious services designed to meet the spiritual needs of all personnel at Fort Benning is available.

General Protestant Worship Services are held each Sunday in the Infantry Center Chapel at 0800 and 0930 and 1100. A Sunday School is conducted each Sunday in the 2600 Area at 0930 and a bus schedule is maintained to transport the children. For further information regarding the Sunday School, dial 545-4334.

A nursery in Building 1076, Old Hospital Area, is open each Sunday.

Roman Catholic Masses are celebrated daily, on Sundays, on all Holy Days of Obligation and special occasions. Mass is celebrated each Sunday in the Main Post Catholic Chapel at 0730, 0900, 1000, and 1100, and in the 1st Infantry Brigade Chapel at 9:30 a.m. and 12:15 p.m. Daily Masses are celebrated in the Main Post Catholic Chapel at 12 noon. From September through May weekly Catechism classes are conducted each Saturday at 1000. For further information, dial 545-2893.

Jewish services are conducted in the Jewish Religious Center, located in the Old Hospital Area, each Friday at 8 p.m. A Kosher kitchen also is maintained. For further information, dial 545-5722.

Protestant and Roman Catholic services are also held in other chapels on the Main Post and in five chapels in the Sand Hill Area, three chapels in the Harmony Church Area and one chapel at Kelley Hill.

St. Michael's Episcopal Mission has a Holy Communion Service at 8 a.m. each Sunday and Holy Communion and Morning Prayer at 10:30 a.m. Holy Communion is celebrated on all Holy Days, as announced. The Episcopal Church School meets at 10:30 a.m. on Sunday. There is also a nursery for s m a 11 children. For further information, dial 545-4741.

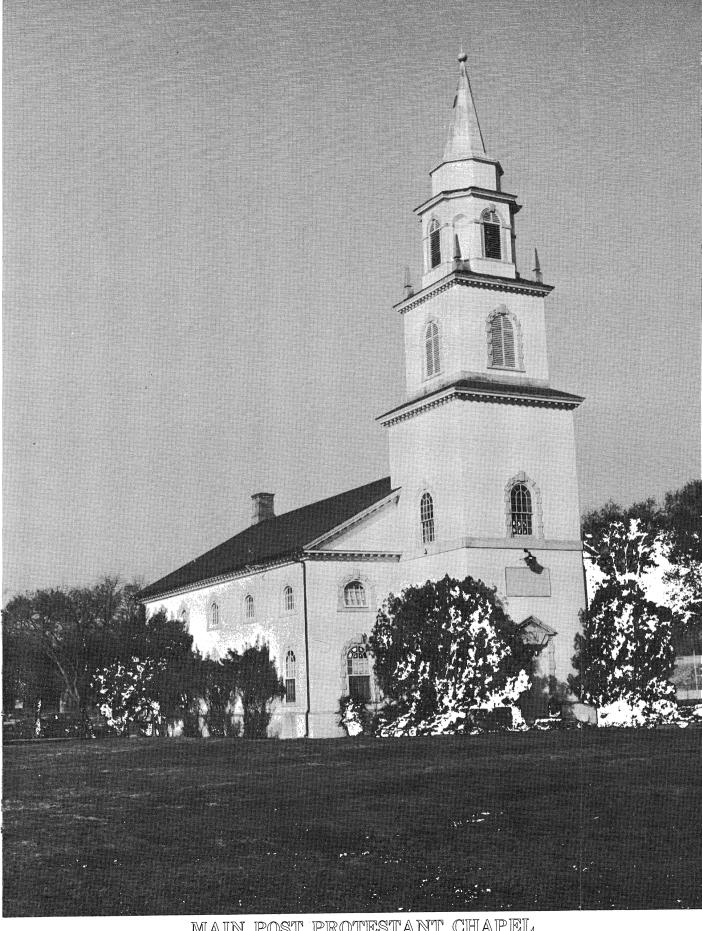
Lutheran services are conducted at 11 a.m. Sunday in Main Post Chapel No. 2. At announced times there is a Lutheran Catechistical Class. For further information, dial 545-2093.

Christian Science services are held in the Infantry Center Chapel Tuesdays at 8 p.m. For further information, dial 545-3304.

Latter Day Saints (Reorganized) services are held Sundays at 11 a.m. in the Morning Chapel of Building 2605. For further information, dial 545-7394.

Officers Christian Union meets each week night in the homes of members. All officers are cordially invited to attend. For further information dial 545-7394.

Chaplains are available at all times for consultations and interviews. Appointments may be made with the Chaplain's Office, 545-7394, or through company commanders.



MAIN POST PROTESTANT CHAPEL

#### **Service Clubs**

There are four Service Clubs at Fort Benning. Activities offered include game facilities, television, reading rooms, music rooms, records, musical instruments, writing rooms, kitchens, dance floors, magazines, lounges, information and stationery. All Service Clubs are open to enlisted personnel, their families and friends.

Service Club No. 1 is located next to Gowdy Field on Ingersoll St., Main Post. Open 1 to 10 p.m.

#### Skeet Shooting and Marksmanship

Fort Benning's Rifle and Pistol Club affords its members facilities for pistol and smallbore rifle shooting which are among the finest anywhere. All post personnel are eligible for membership and present rolls show a large number of women shooters. The club sponsors a junior program of rifle

#### **Sports**

The Sports Offices are located in Briant Wells Field House on the Main Post. The sports officer supervises all tournaments on the post and coordinates the various athletic events and leagues. The following facilities and activities are available:

DOUGHBOY STADIUM, located at the intersection of Ingersoll St. and Vibbert Ave., is used for various sports in season, such as football and track, and for other events as scheduled.

GOWDY FIELD, located opposite the Main

#### **Swimming Pools**

Russ Pool is located at Clark and Sigerfoos Roads. Hours of operation are 1 to 10 p.m., Mondays through Fridays, 12 noon to 8 p.m. Saturdays, and 9 a.m. to 8 p.m., Sundays and holidays.

The Harmony Church Pool is located near Service Club No. 3, Harmony Church area. Hours of operation are 1 to 10 p.m. daily.

The Sand Hill Pool, located adjacent to Bldg.

#### Telephone & Telegraph Service

Application for installation of telephone facilities in quarters must be made in person at the Office of the Post Signal Officer.

Public telephone pay stations are located in the major installations of the Main Post and throughout the reservation. Telegrams may be sent at the Western Union Office, Building 399A on Vibbert Ave. Hours of operation are from 8:30 a.m. to

daily, and for Sunday coffee call at 10 a.m.

Service Club No. 2 is located on Fourth St., between Scott and Barry Aves., Sand Hill. Open 1 to 10 p.m. daily, and 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. on Sunday.

Service Club No. 3 is located in Area G just off Hershey Rd., Harmony Church. Open 1 to 10 p.m. daily.

Service Club No. 4 is located in Bldg. 1019 near Kelley Hill. Open 1 to 10 p.m. daily; Sunday 10 a.m.

instruction in which youngsters of both sexes receive coaching in the principles of marksmanship from the U. S. Army's top ranking instructors.

The club is located in Bldg. 1615, off Dixie Road.

Theater, is used for baseball during March through September. The field is equipped with lights for night games.

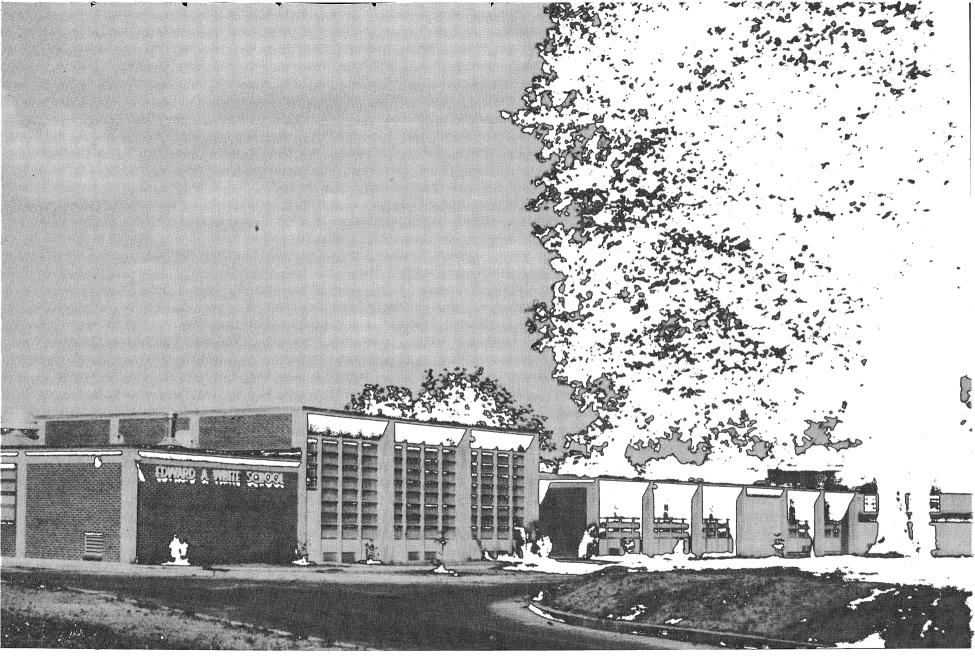
BRIANT WELLS FIELD HOUSE, located on Ingersoll St. opposite Stilwell Field, has basketball and handball courts, workout rooms and an indoor swimming pool. Boxing gear and weight lifting equipment are available. Hours of operation are 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., Mondays through Saturdays, and 1 to 9 p.m. Sundays and holidays.

3811 in the Sand Hill area, is open from 1 to 10 p.m. daily.

Briant Wells Field House, located on the Main Post, features an indoor pool, open all year. Hours of operation are 12 noon to 4 p.m. and 6 to 10 p.m. Monday through Saturday. Sundays and holidays, 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. and 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. Carey Pool is located near Sightseeing Field and is open the same hours as Russ Pool.

9:30 p.m. daily except Sunday and holidays. Telegrams may also be sent from any pay station by dialing "O" and asking for Western Union.

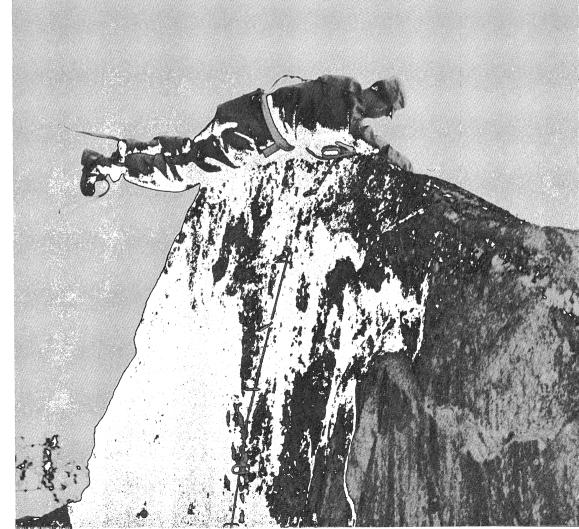
Personnel occupying government quarters can send telegrams by dialing Western Union in Columbus. These telegrams may be charged to the quarters telephone number.



EDWARD A. WHITE SCHOOL







#### Thrift Shop

The Thrift Shop is operated by the Woman's Club of Fort Benning with volunteer help from the membership. It is located across the street from the Infantry Museum. Clothing, furniture, kitchen-

#### Theaters

All theaters are administered by the Army-Air Force Motion Picture Service. Attendance and uniform regulations are prescribed in current regulations.

Theater No. 1—located on the Main Post at the intersection of Ingersoll St. and Wold Ave. Two performances night at 6:30 and 8:30 p.m. On Saturdays, Sundays and holidays shows are run at 2, 4, 6:30 and 8:30 p.m.

Theater No. 2—located at Wold and Anderson Sts., Main Post. Performances nightly at 6:30 Monday through Thursday; matinees are held at 2:30 Fridays; Saturdays, Sundays and holidays at 6:30-8:30.

#### Traffic Regulations

Traffic regulations in effect on the reservation are similar to those of any large city. All regula-

#### **Transportation**

One commercial bus line, the Howard Bus Line, operates on the post both for service to Columbus and intra-post service. The main terminal is located on Wold Ave. near the Main Post Exchange and operates seven days a week on a 30-minute schedule in town at 4th Ave. and 12th St. Intra-post buses run on the post to outlying locations in Harmony Church, Kelley Hill and the Wherry Housing areas. Howard buses also operate from Columbus to these outlying sections on Saturdays, Sundays, & holidays

Commercial taxis are available for on-post serv-

#### Uniforms

The winter uniform is normally worn during the period October 25 through March 31, and the summer uniform April 1 through October 24.

Name plates and name tapes are parts of the uniform. During all duty hours, name plates or tapes are worn on the right breast pocket of the outer garment (except overcoat and raincoat). Name plates are presently available for purchase at

#### Youth Activities Club

The Youth Activities Club is an official organization which finances, organizes and supervises a wide variety of recreational activities for children of military personnel. These activities include Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts, swimming, boxing, rifle marksmanship, archery and seasonal athletic leagues. Also included are softball, basketball and volleyball for girls, as well as football, baseball and

ware, etc., are accepted for sale on a consignment basis, with a 10 percent service charge deducted on articles sold. Hours of operation are from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Theater No. 5—located on Hourglass Rd., Harmony Church area. One performance Thursday, Saturday, and Sunday at 7 p.m.

Theater No. 6—located at 10th and Bourg Sts., Sand Hill area. Two performances nightly at 6:30 and 8:30 p.m., and matinees Saturday, Sunday, and holidays at 2:30 p.m.

Theater No. 9—located at Kelley Hill has performances on Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday, and Sunday; closed Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays 9 to 5.

Theater No. 11—located at junction of Eighth Division Rd. at Cusseta Highway, Harmony Church area. One show nightly at 7 p.m.

tions are rigidly enforced, and copies are available in all organizations.

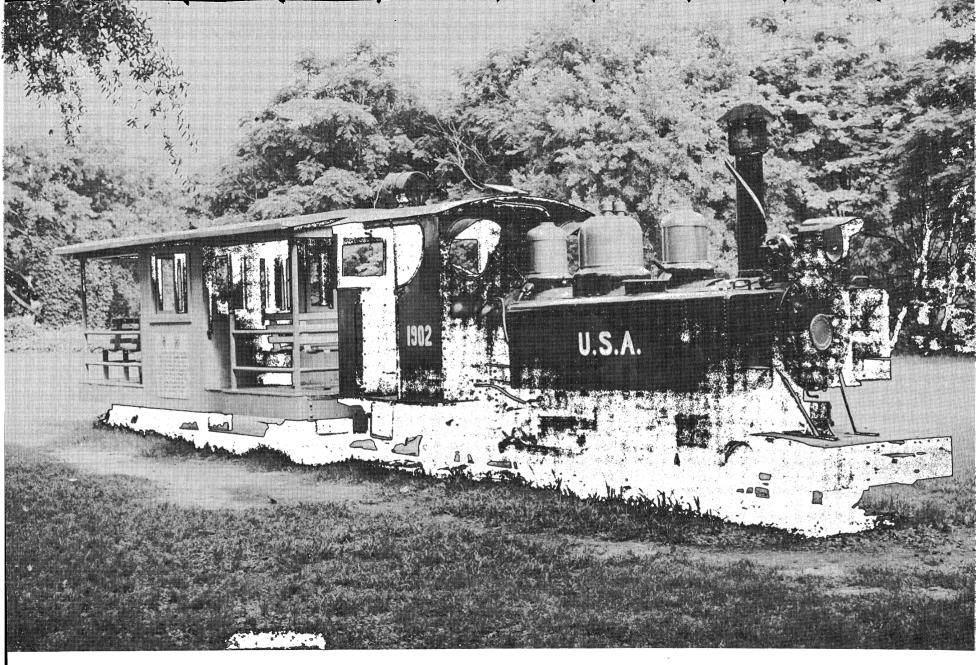
ice and taxis may also be called to the post from Columbus. A military taxi service is operated for official use of military and civilian personnel.

A Scheduled Airline Ticket Office is located in Building 19, corner of Vibbert Ave. and Gillespie St. Office hours are 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday. Scheduled air carriers represented are American, Capitol, Delta, Eastern, Northwest, Pan American, Southern, Trans-World and over 25 other scheduled airlines. Telephone number is 545-3438.

the Book Store. Name tape is available through assigned unit, Book Store or Post Exchange. Stencil sets for printing names on tapes are available in assigned units.

Personnel living off post are authorized to commute directly to and from their quarters in the work and field uniform provided they do not quit the vehicle off post.

basketball for boys. The YAC office is in Building 1054 in the Old Army Hospital cantonment area. Funds are provided primarily by a grant from the Community Activities Association, with additional support from membership dues of families with children participating in the program. Additional information may be obtained by dialing 545-2130.



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# Riverside...a Gracious Touch of the Old South

It is said that Fort Benning is the heart of the U. S. Infantry. And by the same token, The Infantry School is the heart of Fort Benning. But its soul lies in a white majestic mansion that has stood as a muted queen over the reservation's thousands of acres for more than 150 years.

From an era of Indian wars, "Riverside," the home of Infantry School commandants since the school was established June 17, 1919, at Camp Benning near the junction of the Chattahoochee River and Upatoi Creek south of Columbus, has survived the years and now stands as majestically as ever in the Nuclear Age.

The history of the homesite dates back to the early 1800's when the nucleus of the present house on Vibbert Ave. was on Lumpkin Road. Some 150 years or so ago the two-story structure echoed to gay laughter and the patter of dainty feet as belles and beaux danced to the popular music of the day.

In 1907 Arthur Bussey bought the estate from the Hatcher family and named it the "Riverside Plantation." Almost immediately he planned the construction of a new house as a comfortable summer home.

The original part of the house, which had been built on Lumpkin Road, was moved to its present location on Vibbert Ave. to be the basis of the new home. In an engineering effort prodigious for its time, the house was rolled on logs pulled by mules without damaging a single tree.

In establishing his estate, Arthur Bussey built one of the last great self-supporting plantations in western Georgia. Though Bussey was a businessman by vocation, he was a farmer by avocation. His 1,782 acres and home, which he completed in 1909, became a self-sufficient estate under his supervision.

The house was built primarily as a summer home on a 12-acre site among trees more than a century old.

The Riverside Plantation home of a half century ago was an outstanding landmark of the area.

From the large high ceilinged rooms several doors and windows opened into spacious porches.

The walls were made of tongue and groove woodwork and the ceilings were reinforced by heavy crossed beams.

Large brick fireplaces at opposite sides of the house provided the only heat for the open rooms, though a third fireplace connected the two kitchens. The floors were made of polished pine boards.

Black chandeliers fed with carbide gas piped into the house provided what at the time was considered adequate light. A rarity in the early 1900's was the house's running water system. From a pond at the foot of a hill about a mile away, the water was pumped to the water tower and then piped into the house.

The upstairs contained six large and airy bedrooms that opened onto the veranda which surrounded almost all the second floor. The master bedroom extended the width of the house. The Riverside house of the early 1900's had a half bath downstairs and a large bathroom the size of an ordinary room today upstairs.

By modifications through the years, the home now has five comfortable bedrooms on the second floor and three modern baths. It is centrally heated by steam radiators throughout the house.

In World War I, the Army established a cantonment area to train troops on some of Bussey's land. On June 17, 1919, the Army moved Camp Benning from its site on Macon Road in Columbus, where it had been since Oct. 7, 1918, to its present area.

When the Government decided to make the post a permanent establishment in 1919, it bought the plantation and home from Bussey for slightly less than a half-million dollars. In 1922 the post was designated the home of The Infantry School and was renamed Fort Benning.

Even with the improvements of the modern age, Riverside, known today as the commanding general's quarters at 100 Vibbert Ave., remains basically unchanged, a gracious touch of the Old South.



RIVERSIDE



#### COLUMBUS, GEORGIA

Columbus has the distinction of being the only state-conceived city in Georgia. Established earlier as a trading town on the site of one of the largest Indian centers in the Southeast, the city of Columbus was created by an act of the Georgia General Assembly in 1826. It was founded and laid out in 1827 by State Engineers, and is the only city in Georgia which was planned in advance of its founding.

Because of the many natural advantages which Columbus had, and still has, to offer industry, the community has grown industrially from the very beginning. The development of the textile industry began in 1838 when the Columbus Cotton Factory began spinning cotton yarn and carding wool. Between 1840 and 1850 water rights were leased and the cotton industry was given added impetus.

From the very beginning the tendency has been toward manufacturing. Columbus early became popularly known as "the Lowell of the South" because of the rapid development of the textile industry, and while textiles still constitute its major industry, the industrial structure of Columbus today is not confined to this activity alone. Many of its manufacturing plants enjoy international distribution and their products are widely known, giving Columbus pre-eminence in several important fields. Products produced include brick and tile; textile equipment and machinery; pulleys, shafting, dyeing equipment for textile mills, engines and boilers, refrigerating and ice-making machinery, agricultural implements; cotton ginning machinery and packing equipment; candy, syrup, soft drinks, cookies and crackers, peanut and pecan products; store fixtures. The city also boasts a sizeable meatpacking industry; foundries and machine shops are adequate to care for almost any kind of heavy repairs.

At one time, Columbus was one of the busiest river ports in the Southeast. The first steamboat visited the little town in 1828, beginning a river trade that increased until the coming of the railroads in the 1850's. At the height of river commerce as many as sixteen boats, loaded with cotton and naval stores, plied the Chattahoochee.

By 1963 the River will return to an important role of influence on the development of the Columbus area. Work is nearing completion on the Chattahoochee-Apalachicola-Flint River Project which, when completed in 1963, will make the Chattahoochee navigable with a nine-foot channel from Columbus to the Gulf of Mexico. The future of the city is tied closely with this project, which assures that Columbus will again become a river port en-

joying the benefits of low-rate water transporta-

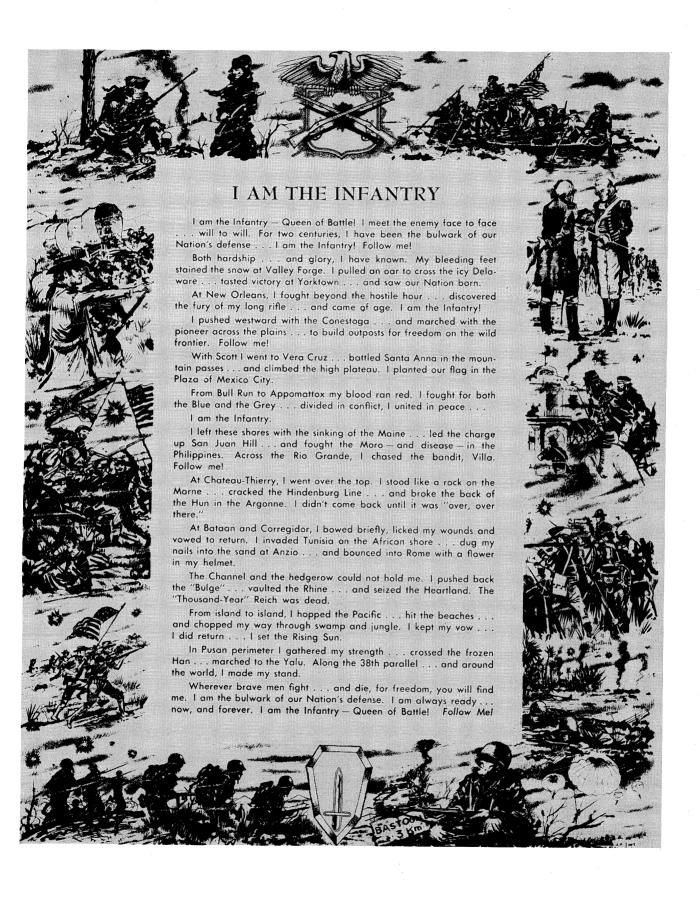
In addition to being an industrial-minded city, Columbus is a city of pleasant living. Recreation facilities are numerous and varied. Three municipally operated swimming pools, a golf course, football stadium, baseball park, an auditorium which is the site of the annual Miss Georgia Pageant and many sports events, and many parks and playgrounds offer excellent opportunities for relaxation. Oliver Lake, just north of Columbus on the Chattahoochee River, with its city owned marina, provides a brand new recreation area for boating, fishing, swimming and water-skiing enthusiasts. The entire Columbus area is noted as a mecca for hunters and fishermen, since there are many privately owned facilities for these sports.

Columbus is also education and culture minded. Permanent buildings have now been completed for Columbus College. The Muscogee County School District operates 47 elementary and 9 high schools; the air-conditioned W. C. Bradley Memorial Library has 190,000 volumes, Bookmobile service and record and film departments; The Columbus Museum of Arts and Crafts maintains an excellent permanent Indian Exhibit and art gallery, besides offering many temporary exhibits to please all tastes; Broadway shows are presented several times each year at the newly renovated Royal Theatre and there are several amateur theatrical groups which offer Columbusites an opportunity to enjoy the legitimate theatre.

Columbus' attitude toward the future is one of planning. It boasts an Industrial Development Corporation, a Metropolitan Planning Commission, a Ports Authority Advisory Committee and an Urban Development Committee which is now concerned with renovating downtown Columbus.

An industrial potentials analysis prepared by Georgia Tech and contracted for the Columbus Chamber of Commerce is underway. An audit of the community's assets and liabilities has been completed, and work is now being done on a study of diversification possibilities for Columbus' existing industries. The Chamber has also recently established a Trade Area Industrial Development Program to assist smaller communities in the surrounding counties with their industrial development efforts.

Columbus is enthusiastically planning for the future—its citizens are more than ever convinced that "America Is Discovering Columbus, Georgia!"



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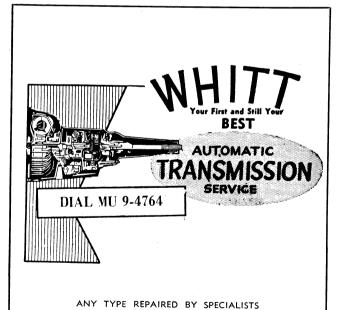
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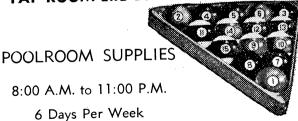
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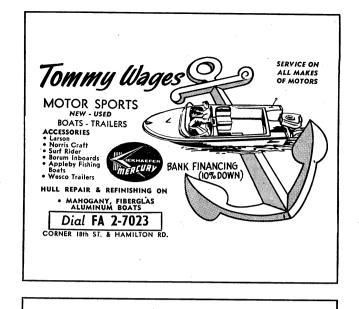
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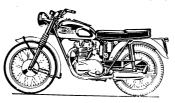
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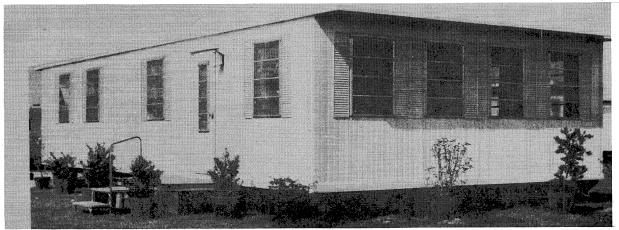
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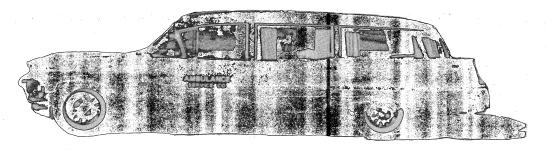
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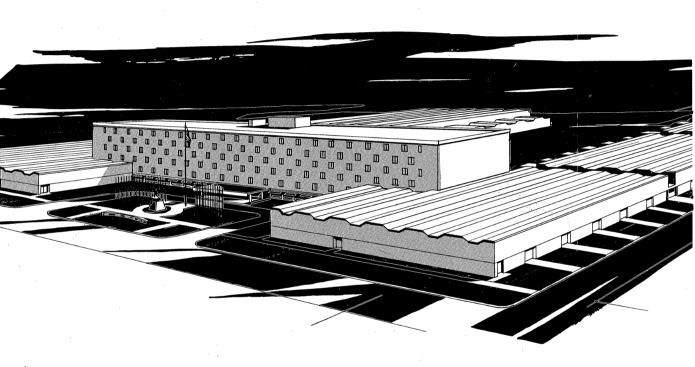
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I urge you to exercise wholeheartedly the responsibility of a good citizen to enter fully into the community life of Fort Benning and our surrounding towns. It is your privilege to take full advantage of the many facilities available to you.

Our friendly environment in this military community and our cordial relationship with our civilian neighbors are things we value highly. I am certain that you will wish to join actively in our continuing effort to maintain and improve them.

> JOHN A. HEINTGES Major General, USA Commanding







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#### History of Fort Benning

Camp Benning was founded Oct. 7, 1918, as a consolidation of three Infantry Schools then operating at widely scattered locations. Probably not even the most far sighted military leaders of that era could have envisioned today's Fort Benning—an installation which has earned the title of "the world's most complete Army post."

From an original small tent encampment, Fort Benning has grown until today the post encompasses some 182,311 acres or 285 square miles. At present there are over 50,000 troops stationed here.

Roads, streets, buildings, ranges and terrain features are named for units that served in World Wars I and II, for battle areas in France identified by action of American units, for American soldiers killed in action and for other famed American soldiers. The post itself is named in honor of a distinguished Confederate Army officer, Maj. Gen. Henry L. Benning, whose home was in Columbus, Georgia.

Following World War I, the Department of the Army issued orders that Fort Benning was to be salvaged. Perhaps that would have ended Fort Benning's history. But Major Paul Jones, who received the order, consulted the dictionary and found that the word "salvage" meant to "save." Armed with this definition, he issued orders that all buildings be painted to "save" them.

During the peaceful years of the 1920's and 1930's, many of the military leaders of World War II saw service at Fort Benning. Among them were Generals of the Army Dwight D. Eisenhower, George C. Marshall and Omar N. Bradley; Generals J. Lawton Collins, Joseph W. Stilwell, Mark Clark, Courtney H. Hodges, Nathan F. Twining, Alexander M. Patch, Simon B. Buckner, and many other distinguished officers.

On Nov. 1, 1949, all units and activities at Fort Benning were gathered under one command to form The Infantry Center. This reorganization consolidated two jobs—that of the commanding general of the post and the commandant of The Infantry School.

Future America owes a debt of gratitude to yesterday's and today's officers and enlisted men of The Infantry Center. Their vision and persistent effort created this center of instruction where today the U. S. Army Infantry School continues to make history, fulfilling its mission of training the Infantryman for his decisive role in modern warfare.

#### History of the U.S. Army Infantry School

The U. S. Army Infantry School, first known as the Infantry School of Practice, came into being in 1826 at Jefferson Barracks, Mo. Two years later, the school was discontinued because the Indian Wars had interrupted its scheduled courses. Almost 80 years passed before it was re-established in 1907 when Lt. Gen. Arthur MacArthur became commandant of the School of Musketry at the Presidio of Monterey, Calif. In 1913, the school was moved to Fort Sill, Okla., and its name changed to The Infantry School of Arms. The Artillery School, then named the Artillery School of Arms, was also located at Fort Sill.

As a result of World War I Army expansion, a Small Arms Firing School was formed at Camp Perry, Ohio, and a Machine Gun School was established at Camp Hancock, Ga. The Infantry School of Arms continued to function at Fort Sill.

Having these units so widely separated proved unsatisfactory, so in 1918 these three schools were combined to form The Infantry School at Fort Benning. Its personnel included 125 officers and 1,200 enlisted men. In September 1919, the order was issued for the complete and final reorganization of The Infantry School as a permanent installation and the Fort Benning area was enlarged to 98,000 acres.

In July 1941, The Infantry School opened its first officer candidate class. The last World War II class was graduated Dec. 9, 1946. During that period, 70,000 second lieutenants were graduated.

Shortly after the termination of World War II, the officer candidate program was discontinued. With the outbreak of hostilities in Korea, however, the need for additional junior officers resulted in a resumption of their program in February, 1951. In March, 1953, the school assumed the task of training officer candidates for other arms and services except the Artillery.

From a student body of a few hundred, the U. S. Army Infantry School has grown into the Army's largest educational institution.

#### **Infantry School Courses**

Infantry Field Grade Officer Refresher

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Infantry Officer Career (Reserve Components)

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Associate Infantry Officer Career

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nents)

Battalion Mortar and Davy Crockett Platoon

Officer

#### Arrival

All incoming personnel should report to the Reception Office, Room 11, Building No. 5, at the corner of Vibbert Ave. and Sigerfoos St., directly opposite the Catholic Chapel. The Reception Office

Battalion Mortar and Davy Crockett Platoon Non-Commissioned Officer (NCO) ENTAC (Engin Teleguide Anti Char) Instructor Qualification Training Program Track Vehicle Mechanic Pathfinder Airborne Nuclear Weapons Employment Infantry Radio Maintenance USAIS Phase CV-2 (Caribou) Pilot Transition

is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Both officer and enlisted personnel, including students, visitors, transient and permanent personnel, report to this office.

#### **Allied Training Program**

An important aspect of the Military Assistance Program of the United States government is the training of military representatives from foreign countries in American service schools. This training is designed to unify the defense of the free world and to teach selected officers and noncommissioned officers in the employment and main-

tenance of American military equipment furnished these countries under the program.

The United States Army Infantry School plays a major role in this effort, training between 350 and 400 allied students yearly from as many as 45 different nations. Allied students are enrolled in regularly scheduled classes with U. S. students.

#### **American Red Cross**

The main office of the Red Cross is located on the corner of Vibbert Ave. and Ingersoll St. across from Doughboy Stadium. A suboffice in Bldg. 3818 serves the Sand Hill area and one in Bldg. 4001, the Harmony Church and Kelly Hill areas. There is also a Red Cross office at Martin Army Hospital for service to patients and the Medical Detachment.

Office hours at the main office are from 8 a.m.

to 5 p.m. and at the suboffices, 8:30 a.m. to 4:15 p.m., Monday through Friday. At Martin Hospital, Red Cross hours are from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday and 9 a.m. to 12 noon on Saturday, Sunday or holidays. A member of the Hospital Red Cross staff may be reached during off-duty hours by telephoning the hospital duty officer at 544-2041.

#### **Automobile Registration**

An automobile must be registered with the Provost Marshal's office within 48 hours after it is brought onto the reservation. Documents required at registration include a valid state operator's permit( driver's license), registration certificate for vehicle and proof of ownership, valid up-to-date in-

surance policy in the minimum broad coverage of \$10,000/\$20,000 public liability and \$5,000 property damage. Every vehicle registered at this installation must have passed a state motor vehicle inspection.



THE INFANTRYMAN STATUE

#### **Banking Facilities**

Three banks maintain facilities on the post. The National Bank of Fort Benning is located on Wold Ave., across from the Main Post Exchange, with a branch in Bldg. 3325 on Scott Ave. in Sand Hill. The bank is open from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Monday through Thursday and from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and 4 to 7 p.m. on Friday. At the discretion of bank officials, the National Bank of Fort Benning re-

mains open for longer periods in the evenings on pay day.

The First National Bank of Columbus, Ga., and the Columbus Bank and Trust Co., operate branches in Bldg. 16 on Vibbert Ave. These banks are open from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and 4 to 6 p.m. on Friday.

Banks are not open on Saturday.

#### **Book Department**

The Book Department of The Infantry School operates the Main Book Store on Morrison Road near Bldg. 35, the Academic Branch in Bldg. 4, and Branch No. 1 in Bldg. 2757.

The Book Department maintains large stocks of instructional material, training aids and school supplies of all types. Instructional material prepared by The Infantry School can be purchased at the Main Book Store. The store and branches carry an extensive line of Infantry School souvenirs, swagger sticks, trophies and professional military books.

The Book Department operates a complete Mail Order Service. Catalogs are available at each store.

#### **Bowling Alleys**

Special Services operates three bowling alleys. The Main Post Bowling Center with 24 lanes is located in Bldg. 2785 on Echols St. and Sightseeing Road. It is open from 9 a.m. to 12 noon Monday through Saturday and 12 noon to 12 midnight

on Sunday.

Annex No. 1 in Bldg. 359 on Ingersol St., eight lanes, and Annex No. 2 in Bldg. 3717, Sand Hill, six lanes, are open from 12 noon to 10:45 p.m. seven days a week.

#### **Community Services Agency**

A Community Services Agency, located in Bldg. 5, provides counseling for militray personnel, both active and retired, and their dependents, and for civilian personnel of the post. A staff agency of The Infantry Center G-1, the CSA makes contact between individuals with personal problems and

the unit or activity best suited to provide assistance. Hours are from 8:30 to 5:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Appointments for interviews at other hours, may be made by telephoning 545-4043 or 545-7813 during normal duty hours.

#### **Education**

The Educational Development Section is located in Bldg. 2512 on Indianhead Road.

Educational opportunities available include freshman and sophomore level courses at Columbus College and Albany State College extension center, junior and senior level courses at the University of Georgia extension center, all in Columbus, Ga., and four years of college and up to 12 hours of graduate work at the American University Branch on the post. Military personnel may enroll in USAFI courses at the Educational Developments Section.

#### **Firearms**

Enlisted men quartered with their organizations are required to keep privately owned arms and ammunition in organizational storerooms.

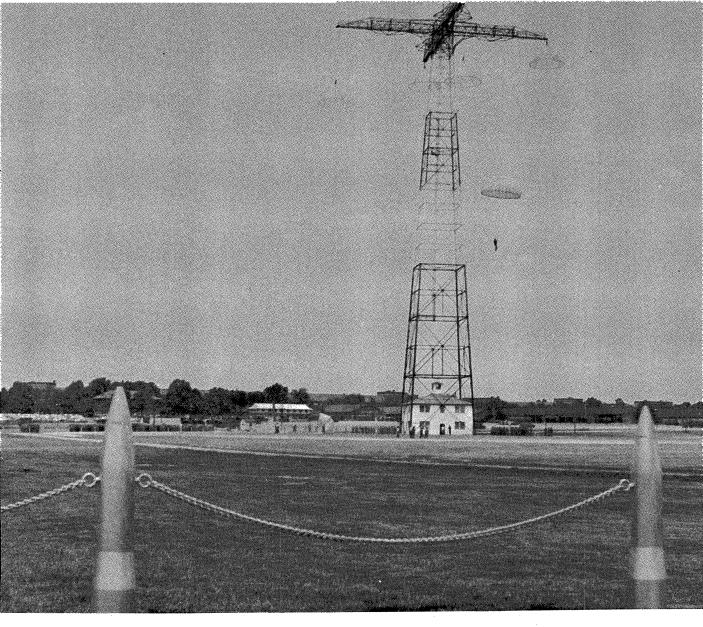
Carrying arms anywhere on the reservation is prohibited, except by individuals engaged in the performance of military duty, skeet shooting, trap shooting, authorized pistol and rifle target shooting or authorized hunting.

The firing of any arms whatsoever within the limits of the garrison proper is prohibited, except when on authorized duty. Privately owned firearms will not be loaded at any time on the reservation, except for authorized hunting or target shooting. The use of rifles for hunting is prohibited.

Personnel quartered separately are required to register with the Provost Marshal any weapons kept in their quarters.

All privately owned weapons brought onto the reservation for any purpose must be registered with the Provost Marshal.

Carrying concealed weapons is prohibited.



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#### Fort Benning Major Units

TEST EVALUATION AND CONTROL GROUP, PROJECT TEAM (Test and Evaluation of Air Mobility) was established officially in May, 1963. Its mission is to test and assist in organizing and equipping the air assault units at Fort Benning to permit effective evaluation and refinement of operational doctrine and organizational structure. The ultimate goal is to develop organizations capable of a maximum contribution to the striking power of the Army.

THE 2nd INFANTRY DIVISION arrived at Fort Benning as the result of the deactivation of the 10th Division in June, 1958. The famous "Indianhead" Division possesses outstanding combat records in World Wars I and II and in the Korean conflict. It was the first division in the Army to reorganize under the ROAD concept.

THE U. S. ARMY INFANTRY CENTER TROOP COMMAND acts as a centralized organi-

zational and control agency for the various units supporting The Infantry Center.

THE 197th INFANTRY BRIGADE, comprised of elements from all combat arms, provides demonstration and support personnel for Infantry School and Infantry Center activities.

THE 11th AIR ASSAULT DIVISION (TEST) was organized in February, 1963, as the major participating unit in the Army's tests of its new air mobility concepts. Located in the Harmony church area, the test division contains many of the latest rotary and fixed-wing aircraft.

THE 10th AIR TRANSPORT BRIGADE, attached to the 11th Division for the conduct of the tests, was activitated in February, 1963. It provides logistical air lift for movement of supplies and personnel, tactical air lift of combat units and air resupply of units engaged in combat operations.

THE 72nd AIR TRAFFIC COMPANY, attached to the 10th Brigade, was activated in May, 1963, to provide enroute air traffic regulation and identification, navigational aids, air warnings, and other assistance to in-flight aircraft including regulation of air traffic for divisions in forward areas.

THE STUDENT BRIGADE houses, feeds, pays and administers to students at The Infantry

School.

LAWSON ARMY AVIATION COMMAND was founded in 1919 as an observation balloon post for the Infantry. It now supports Infantry Center activities.

U. S. ARMY INFANTRY BOARD has been in existence since 1903, having been established by War Department General Order as "The Infantry Board" as the General Staff College, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, "... to which may be referred from time to time, subjects relative to the operations and equipment of the Infantry arm." Fort Benning has been the permanent home of the Infantry Board since 1919.

The Infantry Board is a material testing agency directly responsible to the U. S. Army Test and Evaluation Command and has the primary mission of conducting realistic user tests to determine the suitability of weapons, clothing and equipment for Infantry and for Army-wide use.

U. S. ARMY COMBAT DEVELOPMENTS COMMAND INFANTRY AGENCY was organized in July, 1962, as an agency of the Combat Developments Command at Fort Belvoir, Virginia. It

#### Garden and Flower Shop

There is a garden and flower shop on Dixie Road open to all military personnel. The shop will

#### Golf

The Special Services Golf Course in the Sand Hill area is open to all military personnel, both officer and enlisted, and their dependents. Hours are from 11 a.m. until dark Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. until dark on Saturday and 8 a.m. until dark

#### **Guest Houses**

The two Guest Houses operated by the Post Exchange are provided to furnish overnight transient accommodations for immediate families, relatives and friends of military personnel. These are:

Main Post Guest House—Vibbert Ave., 545-3600 Sand Hill Guest House—Fourth St., 544-7808

#### Horseback Riding

The Hunt Club near the intersection of Stone-wall and Marne Roads is open to all military personnel and their dependents. Horses may be rented between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday through Saturday. Rental fees are \$1.50 per hour for members and \$2.50 per hour for non-members. With the approval of the board of governors, horses may be

develops current doctrine and future concepts including organization, tactics and material requirements relating to the Infantry, mechanized Infantry, airborne Infantry and airmobile Infantry.

U. S. ARMY INFANTRY HUMAN RE-SEARCH UNIT was organized at Fort Benning in November 1953, as a branch of the Human Resources Research Office of George Washington University. It is charged with studying the psychological aspects of training and combat to develop new training and fighting techniques.

MARTIN ARMY HÖSPITAL, located approximately three miles from Main Post, was officially opened July 1, 1958. The Army hospital at Fort Benning began operation in 1919 and has grown to the present \$8 million medical facility

with a staff of approximately 1,000.

U. S. ARMY MARKSMANSHIP TRAINING UNIT assists in conducting the All-Army Rifle and Pistol championships, selects and trains candidates for positions on U. S. international shooting teams, teaches an advanced marksmanship coaches training course and conducts the annual two-month Small Arms Firing School at Camp Perry, Ohio.

THE 428th MEDICAL BATTALION sup-

ports The Infantry Center.

THE THIRD U. S. ARMY TRAINING AIDS CENTER is one of eight in the Third Army area. Its mission is to provide fast and economical availability of training aids to active Army, U. S. Army Reserve, National Guard and ROTC units in Southwest Georgia, Northwest Florida and the Southern United States.

take orders to wire flowers to any point in the United States. Deliveries also are made on post.

on Sunday and holidays.

The Main Officers' Open Mess operates a 36-hole golf course for members of the officers' club. The course is open from daylight until dark, seven days a week.

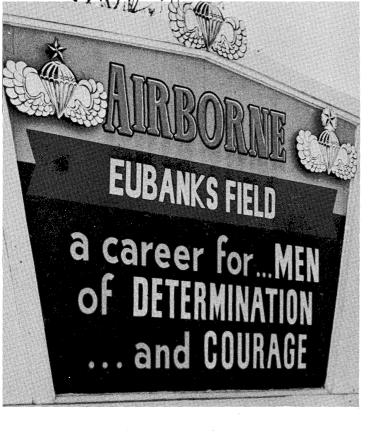
Guest House reservations are accepted for three-day periods only. If the guests desire to stay for a longer period of time and space is available, an extension is granted.

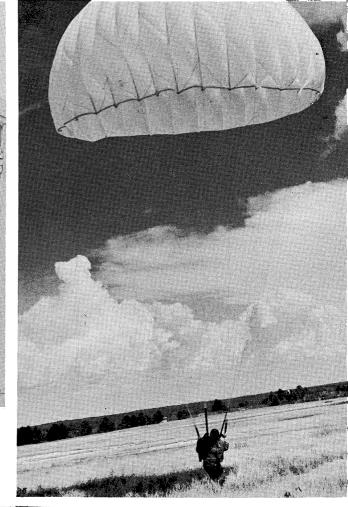
Rates are \$1 per adult per night and 50 cents per child (under 12 years of age) for rooms sharing bath; \$1.50 per adult and 75 cents per child for rooms with private bath.

boarded at the club for \$26 per month. Rates for riding lessons are \$1.50 per hour for a member riding his own horse, and \$3.00 per hour for a member renting a horse. For a non-member, the rates are \$2.50 per hour using his own horse and \$5.00 per hour renting a horse. Members pay a \$10 entrance fee and monthly dues of \$2.



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#### **Household Goods**

For information concerning incoming shipments of household goods and other personal property and for delivery and unpacking services call 545-4041 or 545-1521. Shipments by van carriers

should not be made until after assignment to quarters. The ordering transportation officer may arrange for intransit storage under current regulations.

#### **Hunting and Fishing**

The Fish and Game Association is a volunteer organization of military personnel interested in the protection and propagation of wild life on the reservation. Membership in this organization and hunting license may be obtained from the F & GA located in Bldg. 4050, Harmony Church. Hunting and fishing are prohibited on the reservation without a state license. Membership in the organization entitles a person to have a voice in the widespread

and far reaching activities of this active body, and makes him eligible for participation in several organized activities throughout the year, including special hunts, dove shoots, a turkey shoot and the spring fishing and skish tournament. Hunting and fishing regulations, bag limits and information about areas for hunting and fishing are furnished at the time the license is issued.

#### Legal Assistance

The Legal Assistance Office is in The Infantry Center Annex Bldg. 5 at the corner of Vibbert Ave. and Sigerfoos Rd. A qualified attorney is on duty daily to provide legal assistance and advice to military personnel and their dependents. It is usually best to make an appointment by tele-

phoning 545-4893.

Counseling is provided for all legal matters except actual litigation in civilian courts. A liaison service has been established with the Columbus Lawyers Club to provide without charge legal assistance by a civilian lawyer on a volunteer basis.

#### Libraries

The Infantry School Library in Bldg. 4 is a military reference library and provides a reference collection of books, documents, maps, and related material pertaining to military matters and allied subjects.

Special Services maintains eight libraries for members of the command. They are the Main Library on Wold Ave. (next to Theater No. 1) Branch Library No. 1 at Martin Army Hospital, No. 2 on Fourth St. at Sand Hill, No. 3 at Service Club No. 4 in Harmony Church, No. 4 at Headquarters, 58th Infantry in Harmony Church, No. 5 at Headquarters, 197th Infantry Brigade, No. 6 in Bldg. 9027 at Kelly Hill and No. 7 on 8th Division Road in the 11th Air Assault Division area.

#### Little Theatre

The Fort Benning Little Theatre is open to all officers, enlisted men, civilian employees and military dependents, and members of the local community. No experience is necessary to join this group. Anyone interested in any phase of theatre work—acting, carpentry, tailoring, dressmaking, costumes, lighting, directing, producing, ticket sales or publicity—is welcome.

For information call 545-5641.

#### Main Officers' Open Mess

All Army commissioned personnel and warrant officers reporting to Fort Benning will be considered as members of the Main Officers' Open Mess upon arrival. If an officer does not desire to become a member, he will submit a letter to the Commanding General, through command channels, tendering his resignation and stating the reasons.

Officers and warrant officers assigned to the post for less than 30 days will not be required to pay monthly dues but will be granted guest privi-

leges. Guest cards will be granted for this purpose. Fort Benning has one of the finest officers' messes in the Army, with annexes conveniently located throughout the post. There are 32 guest rooms, dining room food service, tennis courts, swimming pools, barber and beauty shops and a boarding kennel for pets.

Various facilities of the mess may be reserved through the catering office for official or private parties.

#### **Medical Care**

Martin Army Hospital, located northwest of the Main Post, furnishes hospital care for all miliitary personnel and their dependents and retired personnel and their dependents residing in Columbus and vicinity.

For outpatient care, military personnel should report to one of the area troop dispensaries. Sick-call at all dispensaries is held at 7:30 a.m., Monday through Saturday.

Dependents and retired personnel should report to the General Outpatient Clinic located on

the first floor of Martin Army Hospital. Appointments are required except in cases of emergency. They can be obtained by calling the Central Appointment Desk.

Emergency medical care, including emergency ambulance service, is provided 24 hours daily at the Emergeny Room. All personnel are requested not to use the facilities of the Emergency Room unless they are true emergencies and cannot wait until regular duty hours at the General Outpatient Clinic.

#### **Military Police**

The Military Police at Fort Benning provide assistance to military personnel and visitors to the

post. For information or in an emergency, telephone 545-5222.



SWIMMING POOL AT MAIN OFFICERS' OPEN MESS

#### Museum

THE U. S. ARMY INFANTRY MUSEUM is located in Bldg. 1234 on Ingersoll St. The Museum is open from 12:30 to 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Fri-

day, Saturday, Sunday and holidays, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday and is closed on Monday.

#### **NCO Messes**

All noncommissioned officer personnel are encouraged to become members of the Fort Benning NCO Open Mess as early as possible after arrival on the post.

The Mess, with a central office in Bldg. 227, operates Crain Hall (Bldg. 229) for grades E-5 and above; Annex 1 (Bldg. 2396) for grades E-4 and above; Annex 2 (Bldg. 4842) for all enlisted men between 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. Monday through Friday and for grades E-4 and below after 6 p.m. week-

#### **Nurseries**

At the sign of the pixie trademark is DUSA Tot Town Nursery, formerly the Main Post Children's Nursery. Children from three months of age up are accepted for care.

Tot Town provides free sanitary diaper service, trained uniformed attendants, separation of older children from toddlers, refreshment periods and lunches, fenced play areas with modern and sturdy play equipment and scheduled play routines for older children.

A yearly \$1 registration card entitles families to special rates, discount cards and use of the Day Care Plan. Regular rates are 35 cents per child per hour for one child, 45 cents per hour for two children in the same family, and 50 cents per hour for three or more children in the same family with membership card.

Hours: Monday and Wednesday 7:30 a.m.-11 p.m.; Tuesday and Thursday 7:30 a.m.-6 p.m.;

days, and all day Saturday, Sunday and holidays; Annex 3 (Bldg. 2113) grades E-1, E-2 and E-3; Annex 4 (Bldg. 4497) grades E-4 and below; Annex 5 (Bldg. 227, under construction) grades E-7, E-8 and E-9; Annex 6 (Victory Lodge, Bldg. 4164) grades E-5 and up, and Annex 7 (Bldg. 5403) same as Annex 2. There is a package store in Bldg. 1455.

For information about dues and membership cards or to make reservations for private parties, contact annex managers.

Friday 7:30 a.m.-1 a.m.; Saturday 9 a.m.-1 a.m.; Sunday 9 a.m.-11:30 p.m. Special openings for post or unit functions are arranged upon request. It is located in Buildings 1075 and 1076, Old Hospital Area. Telephone 545-3004.

There is a Commissary Nursery, also operated by DUSA, for the use of commissary patrons only. Open during Commissary sales hours, the nursery will care for children two years old and above. Rates are 15¢ per child for the first hour and 5¢ for each additional half hour. There is a two hour limit for children between two and five years old and a three hour limit for those five years old and above. There will be a \$1 penalty imposed for every 15 minutes that a child is left in the nursery above these limits.

The Commissary Nursery has a fenced playyard with modern equipment. The nursery is located behind the Milk Bar, opposite the Commissary.

#### Officer Candidate School

In July, 1941, The Infantry School opened its first officer candidate class. By 1947, approximately 67,000 candidates had completed the course and were commissioned. With the end of World War II, the Army's need for officers diminished and Officer Candidate Schools of all branches were transferred

to Fort Riley, Kansas. With the outbreak of the Korean War, The Infantry Officer Candidate School was reactivated at Fort Benning in 1951. Since 1953, the school has trained candidates for all branches except artillery. Since 1941, Infantry OCS as Fort Benning has graduated approximately 80,000.



OFFICER CANDIDATE FIRES M-60 MACHINE GUN

#### **Pets**

All dogs and cats must be registered at the age of eight weeks and receive a rabies shot. The post veterinarian is located in Bldg. 265, telephone

545-1191. All pets will be leashed, under voice control or in a fenced-in area at all times.

#### **Post Craft Shops and Photo Lab**

The Main Post Craft Shop No. 1 and a Photo Lab are located in Bldg. 394, the south side of Doughboy Stadium. Other craft shops include Shop No. 2, Sand Hill, Bldg. 3788; Shop No. 3, Harmony Church, Bldg. 4846; Shop No. 4, Sand Hill, Bldg. 3145; Shop No. 6, Sand Hill (Auto), Bldg. 3809; Shop No. 7, Main Post, Bldg. No. 334; Shop No. 8, Main Post (Auto) Bldg. 2057; Shop No. 9, Harmony Church, Bldg. 4746. In addition to photog-

raphy at the Photo Lab, crafts available at the shops are sign painting, art and woodwork. Shop No. 1 and the Photo Lab are open Monday through Friday from 6 to 10 p.m. and Saturday, Sunday and holidays from 1 to 5 p.m. Shops Nos. 2 through 9 are open during the same hours except for Monday, when they are closed. All shops are closed on payday.

Soft drinks and ice-cream drive-ins are located

There are two Post Exchange Cafeterias, Main

at Marchant and Anderson Streets on the Main

Post and in Sand Hill adjacent to the principal

Post, at the corner of Wold Ave. and Ingersoll St.,

open from 7 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., Monday through

Saturday, and 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Sunday, and the

Cafeteria in Bldg. 4, open from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m.,

Monday through Friday, and 7 a.m. to 12 noon, on

Saturday. Snack bars are operated in various sec-

tions of the post. Identification is required of all

personnel in civilian clothing except in eating estab-

Post Exchange Branch on Scott Ave.

lishments.

#### **Post Exchanges**

The Fort Benning Post Exchange System comprises approximately 50 branches at troop locations over the entire reservation. Included are restaurants, snack bars, soda fountains, guest houses and service stations, in addition to regular retail stores.

The Main Exchange is located in Bldg. 1711 on Wold Ave., behind the Howard Bus Ter-

This exchange carries clothing, uniforms, insignia, sporting goods, luggage, cosmetics and other articles, in addition to regular PX items. Sand Hill and Harmony Church areas have principal branches which carry the same merchandise as the Main Exchange, except for women's and children's clothing.

The following Concession services are available in the Main Post Shopping Center area:

Barber Shop

Dry Cleaners Photo Studio

Tailor Shop Beauty Shop

TV and Radio Repair

Washateria

Watch Repair

#### **Post Office**

The Fort Benning branch of the Columbus Post Office is at the intersection of Vibbert Ave. and Ingersoll St. It offers all the regular postal facilities, including Post Office rental boxes.

Hours of operation are from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Monday through Friday, and 8:30 a.m. to noon on

Saturday. It is closed Sundays and legal holidays.

One special feature of the Post Office is the daily mail service by postmen to family quarters on the post.

#### Privilege ID Cards

Newly arrived permanent personnel may obtain privilege cards from the unit to which assigned.

Personnel retiring from the service may obtain

identification cards from the Personal Affairs Division, Room 116, Bldg. 35.

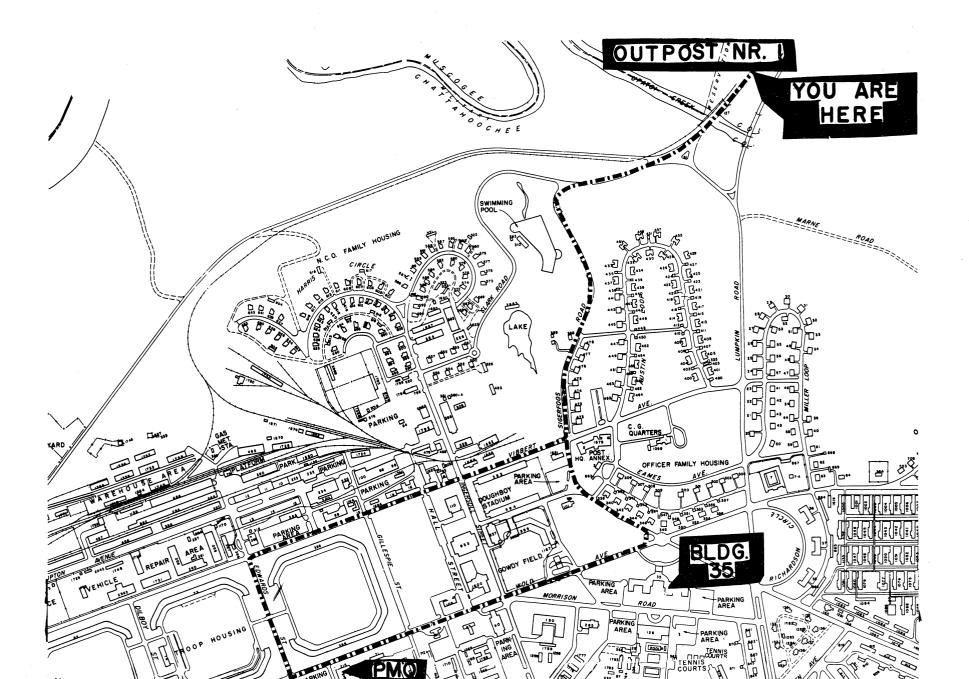


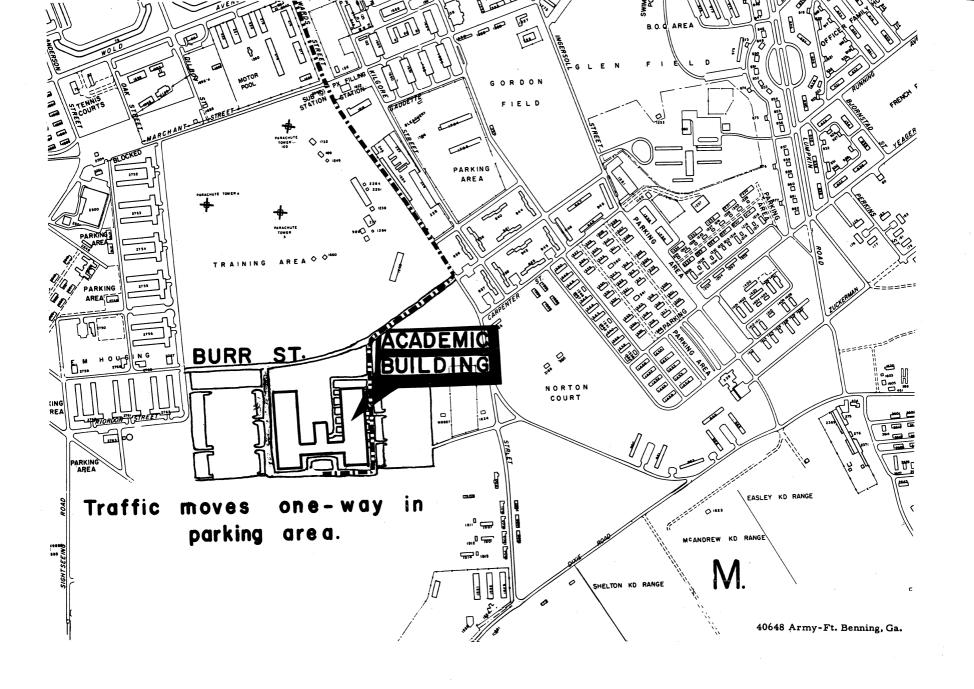
MARTIN ARMY HOSPITAL

#### Quarters

Application for government quarters may be made at the Family Quarters Branch, Billeting Division, in rooms 127-130 in Bldg. 35. There are 1,480 sets of officers' quarters and 1,654 of enlisted men's quarters. Battle Park Homes, an apartment complex of 200 two and three-bedroom units, is located on the reservation near the Main Post. The apartments are available to permanent officer per-

sonnel and, if vacancies exist, to officers stationed on the post for temporary duty in excess of 90 days. Temporary housing for families of officer personnel is usually available for a period of no longer than two weeks at the Main Officers' Open Mess provided that reservations are made in advanced Temporary housing for families of enlisted men in usually available at one of the two guest houses.





### Recreation

Recreation facilities at Fort Benning include bowling alleys, golf, archery, movies, craft shops, swimming pools and various other sports and entertainment features.

U. S. ARMY INFANTRY CENTER REC-REATIONAL AREA, located on 2nd Armored Division Rd. near Lee Field, is available to all personnel at the post for private or organizational parties and outings. This is a large area with several barbecue pits. A huge lodge is available for dancing with an outside concrete lighted patio. Deep well water is available and electricity is provided. This area provides an ideal location for picnics and unit parties. Distance to this area is approximately 14 miles from the Main Post and can be reached by following the directional signs to Lee Field. Use of this facility is by reservation only, arranged by calling Special Services, telephone 545-5641 or 545-7414.

U. S. ARMY INFANTRY CENTER REST CAMP, DESTIN, FLORIDA, is operated by Special Services for the benefit of military personnel and their dependents stationed at Fort Benning. It is located on Chocawhatchee Bay along the Florida

Gulf Coast, about midway between Panama City and Pensacola, approximately 230 miles from Fort Benning. The rest camp is equipped with fibre glass boats adaptable for outboard motors. There is also a playground for children, including swings, a teeter-totter, slide, etc. Barbecue pits a volleyball court and space to play horseshoes are provided. The camp consists of 10 cabins plus a caretaker's cabin and 12 acres of land. The cabins are about 50 yards from the beach. The cabins, which are equipped with electric stoves and refrigerators, are completely furnished with everything except linens. There is a 38-foot boat that can be reserved for deep sea fishing. For reservations or information, telephone 545-5641.

KING'S POND, stocked with fish, is located on the reservation, eight miles from the Main Post on Hourglass Road. There is a lodge that accommodates a party of 125. Barbecue pits, outdoor tables and swings make the area ideal for family or unit outings. The pond is open to both active and retired military personnel and their dependents. Fishing licenses are required. To reserve the lodge, telephone 545-5641.

### **Religious Activities**

The religious program at Fort Benning is designed to meet the spiritual needs of all personnel.

General Protestant worship services are conducted at The Infantry Center Chapel each Sunday at 8, 9:30 and 11 a.m.

Catholic mass is celebrated at the Main Post Catholic Chapel each Sunday at 7:30, 9, 10 and 11 a.m. and at the 197th Infantry Brigade Chapel at 9 a.m. and 12:15 p.m.

There are Episcopal services at Main Post Chapel No. 3 at 9 and 10:30 a.m. each Sunday, Lutheran services at Lawson Field Chapel No. 2 at 11:15 a.m., and Latter Day Saints at Bldg. 2605 at 11 a.m.

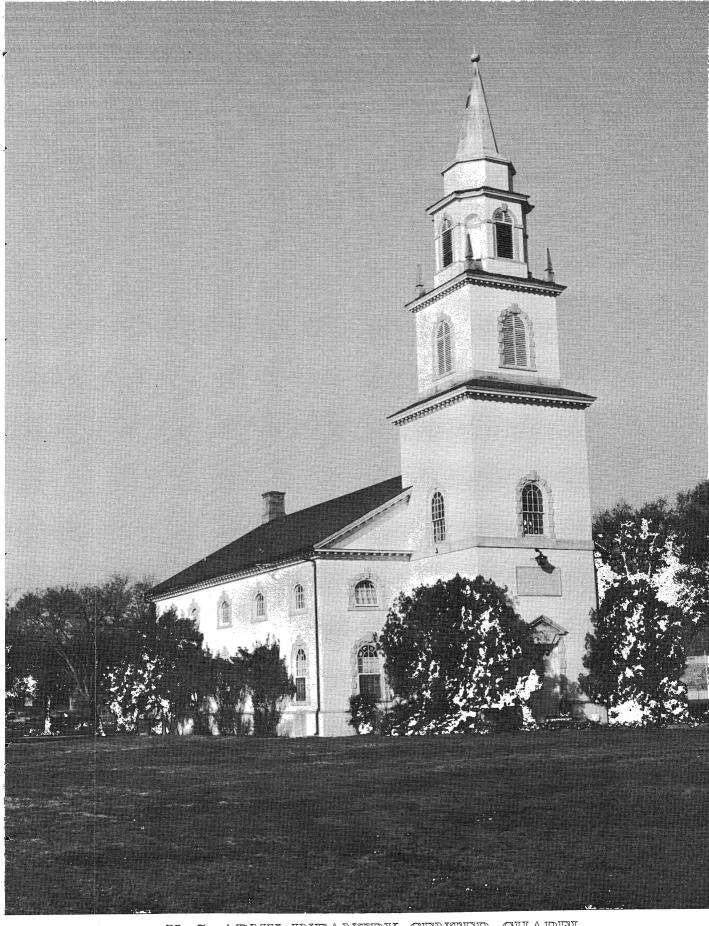
Jewish services are conducted at the Post Jewish Center in the 2600 block at 8 p.m. Friday and 9:30 a.m. Saturday.

There are other regularly scheduled services for Catholics and Protestants at chapels throughout the post.

A Religious Education program provides Sunday School, for General Protestant, Lutheran and Episcopal as well as Jewish personnel and catechism classes for Catholics. There are youth groups and ladies organizations affiliated with the program. For further information, telephone 545-4334.

The Officers' Christian Union meets weekly in the homes of members. For information, telephone 545-1217.

Chaplains are available at all times for consultation and interviews. Appointments may be made by telephoning the Post Chaplains office, 545-7394, or through company commanders.



U. S. ARMY INFANTRY CENTER CHAPEL

### **Service Clubs**

Four Service Clubs and an annex provide games, television, reading, writing and music rooms, kitchens, dance floors, stationary and lounges. All Service Clubs are open to enlisted personnel, their families and friends.

Service Club No. 1, Bldg. 2784, is on Echols St.; No. 2, Bldg. 3284, is in Sand Hill; No. 3, Bldg.

4410, is in Harmony Church; and No. 4, Bldg. 9079, is at Kelly Hill. The clubs are open from 1 to 10 p.m., seven days a week. A game annex to Service Club No. 3 is open from 1 to 10 p.m., Monday through Friday, and from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m., on Sunday.

### Skeet Shooting and Marksmanship

The Trap and Skeet Club in Bldg. 147 near Hook Range is open to military personnel and their dependents after 12 noon every Sunday. For information telephone 545-1152.

The Rifle and Pistol Club in Bldg. 1615 off

Dixie Rd., is equipped with ranges for shooting any type hand gun or rifle. It is open from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. every day. Membership is open to all military personnel and their dependents. For information, telephone 545-2717.

### **Sports**

The Sports offices are located in the Tower Section of Doughboy Stadium. The sports officer supervises all tournaments on the post and coordinates the various athletic events and leagues.

Doughboy Stadium, at the intersection of Ingersoll St. and Vibbert Ave., is used for various sports in season such as football and track and for other events as scheduled.

Gowdy Field, opposite Theater No. 1, is used for baseball from March through September. It is equipped with lights for night games. Briant Wells Fieldhouse, on Ingersoll St., opposite Stilwell Field, is equipped with basketball and handball courts, weightlifting equipment and an indoor swimming pool. The Fieldhouse is open from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m., Monday through Saturday, and from 1 to 10 p.m. Sunday and holidays.

The Old Post Gymnasium, Bldg. 358 on Ingersoll St., provides basketball courts, boxing, squash and hand ball. It is open from 1 to 10 p.m., Monday through Friday, and 1 to 6 p.m., Saturday, Sunday and holidays, from October through April.

### **Swimming Pools**

Russ Pool at Clark and Sigerfoos Rds., Harmony Church Pool near Service Club No. 3 and Sand Hill Pool near Bldg. 3811 are open from 10 a.m. to 12 noon, 1 to 5 p.m. and 6 to 9 p.m., seven days a week in season.

Carey Pool, near Service Club No. 1, is open

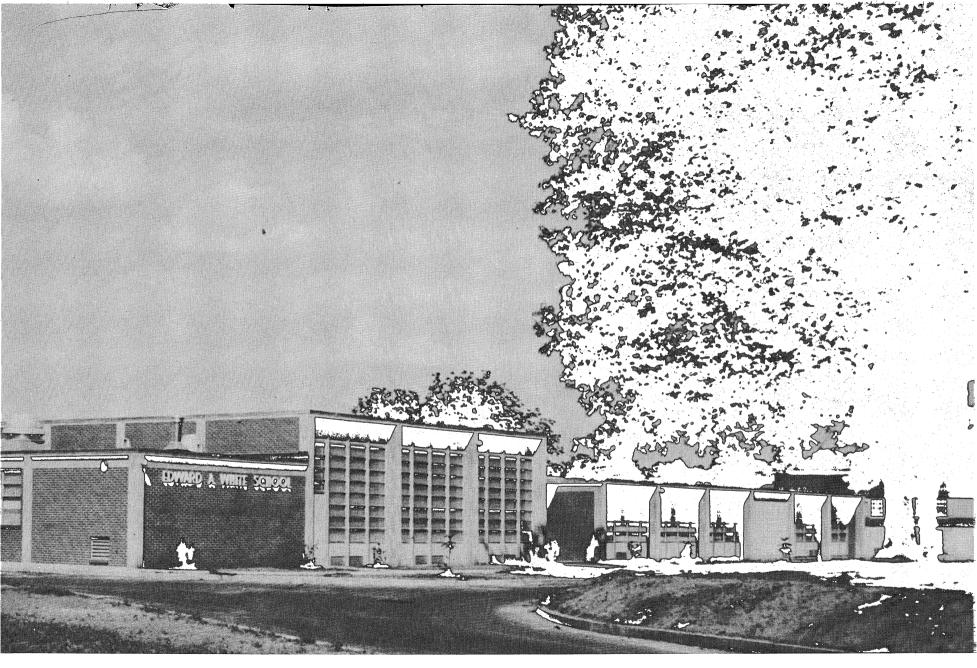
from 1 to 5 p.m. and 6 to 8 p.m. every day. The indoor pool at Briant Wells Field House is open from 1 to 5 p.m., Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, 12 noon to 4 p.m. and 6 to 8 p.m. Saturday, Sunday and holidays. It is reserved for the SCUBA Club on Tuesday.

### Telephone & Telegraph Service

Application for installation of telephone facilities in quarters may be made by telephoning 545-1878 or in person at the Telephone Branch, Signal Services Division, Bldg. 479. Public pay telephones are located in major buildings on the Main Post and throughout the reservation.

Telegrams may be sent at the Fort Benning Western Union office in Bldg. 1600. Hours are

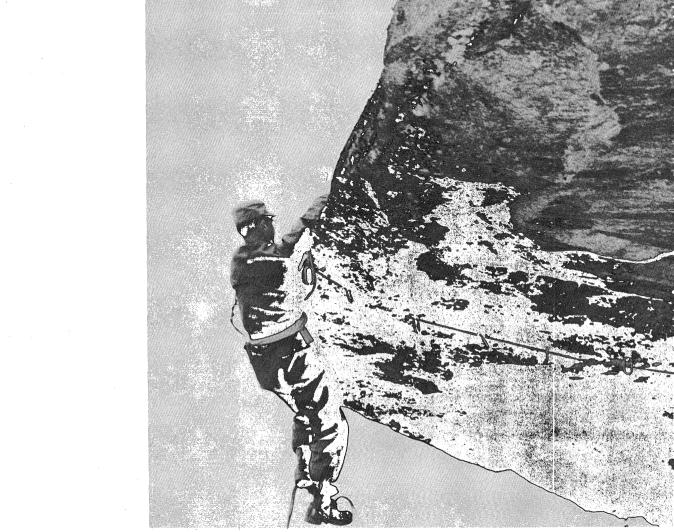
8 a.m. to 6:30 p.m., Monday through Friday and 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., Saturday. Telegrams may be sent from pay telephones by dialing "0" and asking the operator for the Fort Benning Western Union Office. Personnel occupying government quarters may send telegrams by dialing Western Union in Columbus, Ga., and may charge the messages to the quarters telephone number.



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Thrift Shop

The Thrift Shop, Bldg. 1230, is operated by the Officers' Wives Club of Fort Benning with volunteer help. Clothing, furniture, kitchenware, etc., are accepted for sale on a consignment basis,

**Theaters** 

All theaters are operated by the Army-Air Force Motion Picture Service. Attendance and uniform regulations are prescribed in current regulations

Theater No. 1, at the intersection of Ingersoll St. and Wold Ave., Theater No. 2 at Wold Ave. and Anderson St., Theater No. 6 at 10th and Bourg Sts. in Sand Hill and Theater No. 11 at the junction of Eighth Division Rd. and Cusseta Highway in Harmony Church, have shows at 6:30 and 8:30 p.m.,

**Traffic Regulations** 

Traffic regulations in effect on the reservation are similar to those of any large city. All regulations are rigidly enforced. Copies are available in

**Transportation** 

One commercial bus line, the Howard Bus Line, operates on the post both for service to Columbus and intra-post service. The main terminal is located on Wold Ave. near the Main Post Exchange and operates seven days a week on a 30-minute schedule in town at 4th Ave. and 12th St. Intra-post buses run on the post to outlying locations in Harmony Church, Kelley Hill and the Wherry Housing areas. Howard buses also operate from Columbus to these outlying sections on Saturdays, Sundays and holidays.

Commercial taxis are available for on-post service and taxis may also be called to the post from Columbus. A military taxi service is operated for

Uniforms

At Fort Benning, the period for wearing summer uniform begins with the first Monday in April and for the winter uniform, the third Monday in October.

Name plates and name tapes are parts of the uniform. During all duty hours, name plates or tapes are worn on the right breast pocket of the outer garment (except overcoat and raincoat). Name plates are presently available for purchase at

**Youth Activities Club** 

The Youth Activities Club is an official organization which finances, organizes and supervises a wide variety of recreational activities for children of military personnel. These activities include Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts, swimming, boxing, rifle marksmanship, archery and seasonal athletic leagues. Also included are softball, basketball and volleyball for girls, as well as football, baseball and

with a 10 percent service charge deducted on articles sold. Hours of operation are from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.. Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Monday through Friday and at 2, 4, 6:30 and 8:30 p.m. on Saturday, Sunday and holidays.

Theater No. 5 on Hourglass Rd. in Harmony Church has one show at 7 p.m., Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday.

Theater No. 9 at Kelly Hill has shows at 7 p.m., Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, 6:30 and 8:30 p.m. on Saturday and 2:30, 6:30 and 8:30 on Sunday.

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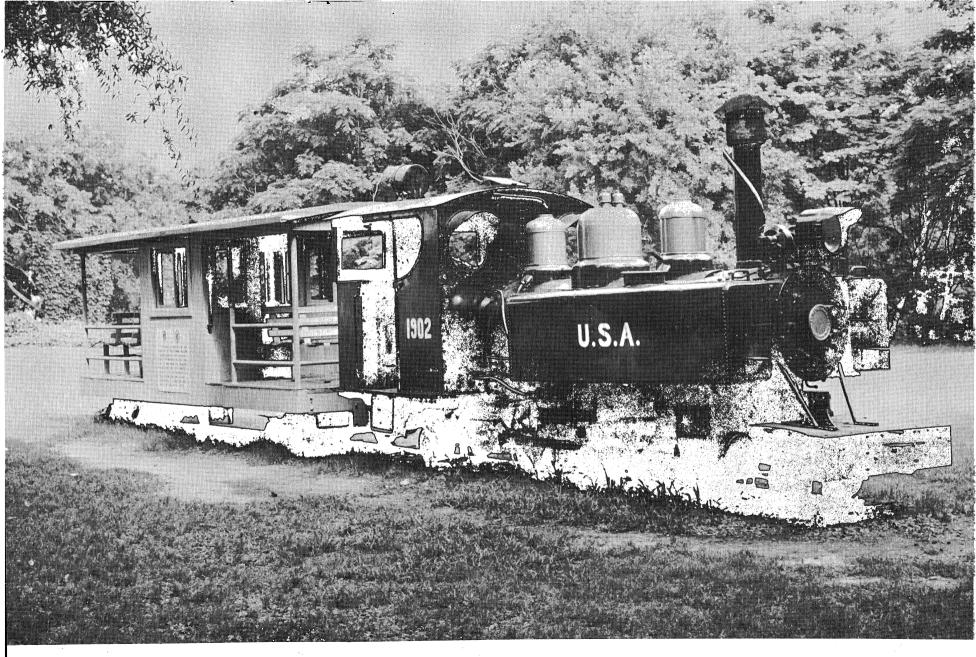
A shuttle bus is operated between Bldg. 4 and Bldg. 19, corner of Vibbert Ave. and Gillespie intermediate stops. Military and civilian employees are requested to use this service to relieve the strain on military taxi service.

A Scheduled Airline Ticket Office is located in Building 19, corner of Vibbert Ave. and Gillespie St. Office hours are 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. Scheduled air carriers represented are American, Delta, Eastern, Northwest, Pan American, Southern, Trans-World and over 25 other scheduled airlines. Telephone number is 545-3438.

the Book Store. Name tape is available through assigned unit, Book Store or Post Exchange. Stencil sets for printing names on tapes are available in assigned units.

Personnel living off post are authorized to commute directly to and from their quarters in the work and field uniform provided they do not make intermediate stops.

basketball for boys. The YAC office is in Bldg. 1054 in the Old Army Hospital cantonment area. Funds are provided primarily by a grant from the Community Activities Association, with additional support from membership dues of families with children participating in the program. Additional information may be obtained by dialing 545-2130.



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# Riverside...a Gracious Touch of the Old South

It is said that Fort Benning is the heart of the U. S. Infantry. And by the same token, The Infantry School is the heart of Fort Benning. But its soul lies in a white majestic mansion that has stood as a muted queen over the reservation's thousands of acres for more than 150 years.

From an era of Indian wars, "Riverside," the home of Infantry School commandants since the school was established June 17, 1919, at Camp Benning near the junction of the Chattahoochee River and Upatoi Creek south of Columbus, has survived the years and now stands as majestically as ever in the Nuclear Age.

The history of the homesite dates back to the early 1800's when the nucleus of the present house on Vibbert Ave. was on Lumpkin Road. Some 150 years or so ago the two-story structure echoed to gay laughter and the patter of dainty feet as belles and beaux danced to the popular music of the day.

In 1907 Arthur Bussey bought the estate from the Hatcher family and named it the "Riverside Plantation." Almost immediately he planned the construction of a new house as a comfortable summer home.

The original part of the house, which had been built on Lumpkin Road, was moved to its present location on Vibbert Ave. to be the basis of the new home. In an engineering effort prodigious for its time, the house was rolled on logs pulled by mules without damaging a single tree.

In establishing his estate, Arthur Bussey built one of the last great self-supporting plantations in western Georgia. Though Bussey was a businessman by vocation, he was a farmer by avocation. His 1,782 acres and home, which he completed in 1909, became a self-sufficient estate under his supervision.

The house was built primarily as a summer home on a 12-acre site among trees more than a century old.

The Riverside Plantation home of a half century ago was an outstanding landmark of the area.

From the large high ceilinged rooms several doors and windows opened into spacious porches.

The walls were made of tongue and groove woodwork and the ceilings were reinforced by heavy crossed beams.

Large brick fireplaces at opposite sides of the house provided the only heat for the open rooms, though a third fireplace connected the two kitchens. The floors were made of polished pine boards.

Black chandeliers fed with carbide gas piped into the house provided what at the time was considered adequate light. A rarity in the early 1900's was the house's running water system. From a pond at the foot of a hill about a mile away, the water was pumped to the water tower and then piped into the house.

The upstairs contained six large and airy bedrooms that opened onto the veranda which surrounded almost all the second floor. The master bedroom extended the width of the house. The Riverside house of the early 1900's had a half bath downstairs and a large bathroom the size of an ordinary room today upstairs.

By modifications through the years, the home now has five comfortable bedrooms on the second floor and three modern baths. It is centrally heated by steam radiators throughout the house.

In World War I, the Army established a cantonment area to train troops on some of Bussey's land. On June 17, 1919, the Army moved Camp Benning from its site on Macon Road in Columbus, where it had been since Oct. 7, 1918, to its present area.

When the Government decided to make the post a permanent establishment in 1919, it bought the plantation and home from Bussey for slightly less than a half-million dollars. In 1922 the post was designated the home of The Infantry School and was renamed Fort Benning.

Even with the improvements of the modern age, Riverside, known today as the commanding general's quarters at 100 Vibbert Ave., remains basically unchanged, a gracious touch of the Old South.



RIVERSIDE



### COLUMBUS, GEORGIA

Columbus has the distinction of being the only state-conceived city in Georgia. Established earlier as a trading town on the site of one of the largest Indian centers in the Southeast, the city of Columbus was created by an act of the Georgia General Assembly in 1826. It was founded and laid out in 1827 by State Engineers, and is the only city in Georgia which was planned in advance of its founding.

Because of the many natural advantages which Columbus had, and still has, to offer industry, the community has grown industrially from the very beginning. The development of the textile industry began in 1838 when the Columbus Cotton Factory began spinning cotton yarn and carding wool. Between 1840 and 1850 water rights were leased and the cotton industry was given added impetus.

From the very beginning the tendency has been toward manufacturing. Columbus early became popularly known as "the Lowell of the South" because of the rapid development of the textile industry, and while textiles still constitute its major industry, the industrial structure of Columbus today is not confined to this activity alone. Many of its manufacturing plants enjoy international distribution and their products are widely known, giving Columbus pre-eminence in several important fields. Products produced include brick and tile; textile equipment and machinery; pulleys, shafting, dyeing equipment for textile mills, engines and boilers, refrigerating and ice-making machinery, agricultural implements; cotton ginning machinery and packing equipment; candy, syrup, soft drinks, cookies and crackers, peanut and pecan products; store fixtures. The city also boasts a sizeable meatpacking industry; foundries and machine shops are adequate to care for almost any kind of heavy repairs.

At one time, Columbus was one of the busiest river ports in the Southeast. The first steamboat visited the little town in 1828, beginning a river trade that increased until the coming of the railroads in the 1850's. At the height of river commerce as many as sixteen boats, loaded with cotton and naval stores, plied the Chattahoochee.

By 1965 the River will return to an important role of influence on the development of the Columbus area. Work has been completed on the Chattahoochee-Apalachicola-Flint River Project which will make the Chattahoochee navigable with a ninefoot channel from Columbus to the Gulf of Mexico. The future of the city is tied closely with this project, which assures that Columbus will again

become a river port enjoying the benefits of lowrate water transportation.

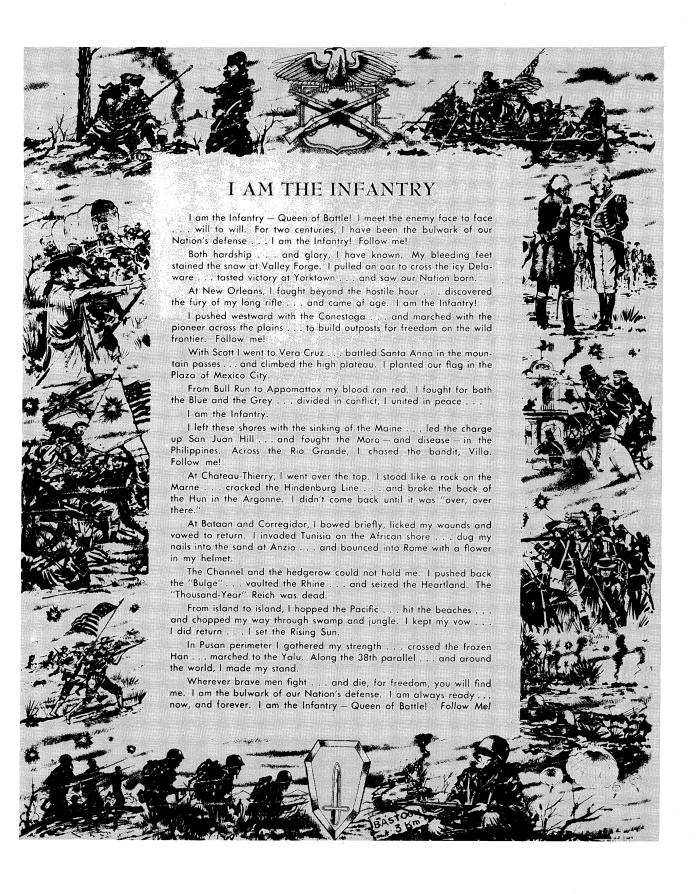
In addition to being an industrial-minded city, Columbus is a city of pleasant living. Recreation facilities are numerous and varied. Three municipally operated swimming pools, a golf course, football stadium, baseball park, an auditorium which is the site of the annual Miss Georgia Pageant and many sports events, and many parks and playgrounds offer excellent opportunities for relaxation. Oliver Lake, just north of Columbus on the Chattahoochee River, with its city owned marina, provides a brand new recreation area for boating, fishing, swimming and water-skiing enthusiasts. The entire Columbus area is noted as a mecca for hunters and fishermen, since there are many privately owned facilities for these sports.

Columbus is also education and culture minded. Permanent buildings have now been completed for Columbus College. The Muscogee County School District operates 49 elementary and 11 high schools; the air-conditioned W. C. Bradley Memorial Library has 190,000 volumes, Bookmobile service and record and film departments; The Columbus Museum of Arts and Crafts maintains an excellent permanent Indian Exhibit and art gallery, besides offering many temporary exhibits to please all tastes; Broadway shows are presented several times each year and there are several amateur theatrical groups which offer Columbusites an opportunity to enjoy the legitimate theatre.

Columbus' attitude toward the future is one of planning. It boasts an Industrial Development Corporation, a Metropolitan Planning Commission, a Ports Authority Advisory Committee and an Urban Development Committee which is now concerned with renovating downtown Columbus.

An industrial potentials analysis was prepared by Georgia Tech and contracted for the Columbus Chambber of Commerce. An audit of the community's assets and liabilities has been completed, and work is now being done on a study of diversification possibilities for Columbus' existing industries. The Chamber has also recently established a Trade Area Industrial Development Program to assist smaller communities in the surrounding counties with their industrial development efforts.

Columbus is enthusiastically planning for the future—its citizens are more than ever convinced that "America Is Discovering Columbus, Georgia!"



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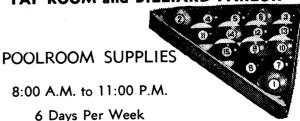
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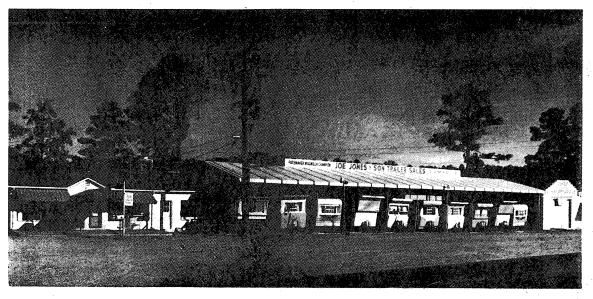
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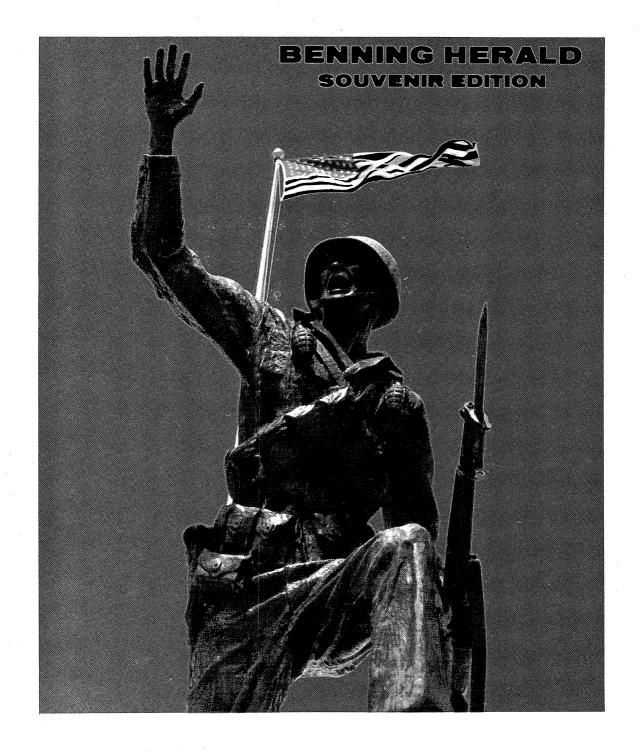
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Fort Benning is "The Home of the Infantry" and countless numbers of our Nation's wartime and peacetime leaders received their technical and tactical indoctrination in its classrooms and on its many combat training areas.

The Infantry School is the fountainhead for all Infantry training and doctrine. The other major commands, support and service units and agencies are equally as proud of their individual missions and their role in preparing the Infantryman for his important commitments.

Whether a visitor or newly assigned to Fort Benning, please accept this booklet with our compliments and sincere wishes that it will prove interesting and informative.



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### **History of Fort Benning**

Camp Benning was founded Oct. 7, 1918, as a consolidation of three Infantry Schools then operating at widely scattered locations. Probably not even the most far sighted military leaders of that era could have envisioned today's Fort Benning—an installation which has earned the title of "the world's most complete Army post."

From an original small tent encampment, Fort Benning has grown until today the post encompasses some 182,311 acres or 285 square miles. At present there are nearly 50,000 troops stationed here.

Roads, streets, buildings, ranges and terrain features are named for units that served in World Wars I and II, for battle areas in France indentified by action of American units, for American soldiers killed in action and for other famed American soldiers. The post itself is named in honor of distinguished Confederate Army officer, Maj. Gen. Henry L. Benning, whose home was in Columbus, Georgia.

Following World War I, the Department of the Army issued orders that Fort Benning was to be salvaged. Perhaps that would have ended Fort Benning's history. But Major Paul Jones, who received the order, consulted the dictionary and found that the word "salvage" meant to "save". Armed with this definition, he issued orders that all buildings be painted to "save" them.

During the peaceful years of the 1920's and 1930's, many of the military leaders of World War II saw service at Fort Benning. Among them were Generals of the Army Dwight D. Eisenhower, George C. Marshall and Omar N. Bradley; Generals J. Lawton Collins, Joseph W. Stilwell, Mark Clark, Courtney H. Hodges, Nathan F. Twining, Alexander M. Patch, Simon B. Buckner and many other distinguished officers.

On Nov. 1, 1949, all units and activities at Fort Benning were gathered under one command to form The Infantry Center. This reorganization consolidated two jobs — that of the commanding general of the post and the commandant of The Infantry School.

The U.S. Army Infantry School, first known as the Infantry School of Practice, came into being in 1826 at Jefferson Barracks, Mo. Two years later, the school was discontinued because the Indian

Wars had interrupted its scheduled courses. Almost 80 years passed before it was reestablished, in 1907, when Lt. Gen. Arthur MacArthur became commandant of the School of Musketry at the Presidio of Monterey, Calif. In 1913, the school was moved to Fort Sill, Okla. and its name changed to The Infantry School of Arms. The Artillery School, then named the Artillery School of Arms, was also located at Fort Sill.

Having these units so widely separated proved unsatisfactory, so in 1918, these three schools were combined to form The Infantry School at Fort Benning. Its personnel then consisted of 125 officers and 1200 enlisted men. In September, 1919, the order for the complete and final organization of The Infantry School as a permanent installation and the Fort Benning area was enlarged to 98,000 acres. Today it embraces 182, 311 acres or about 285 square miles.

In July, 1941, The Infantry School opened its first officer candidate class. The last World War II class was graduated Dec. 9, 1946. During that period, 70,000 lieutenants were graduated.

Shortly after the termination of World War II, the officer candidate program at Fort Benning was discontinued. With the outbreak of hostilities in Korea, however, the need for additional junior officers resulted in a resumption of this program in February, 1951. In March, 1953, the school assumed the task of training officer candidates for all other arms and services except the Artillery.

In its history, the school has awarded the 10,000 Ranger tabs, and 300,000 parachute badges and has prepared 86,000 young second lieutenants to receive their gold bars. More than 600,000 students have attended The Infantry School of whom 10,000 were Allied students from 50 countries.

The Infantry School holds the Distinguished Service School Award for its outstanding contribution to the national defense.

No doubt one of the most outstanding events in the post's 47th year was the Army's approval of the airmobile concept tested here by the experimental 11th Air Assault Division, the merging of the old 2nd Infantry Division with the 11th, and the dispatch of the sky soldiers to Vietnam as the proud 1st Cavalry Division (Airmobile).

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The main office of the Red Cross is located on the corner of Vibbert Ave. and Ingersoll St. across from Doughboy Stadium. A suboffice in Bldg. 3818 serves the Sand Hill area and one in Bldg. 5243, Harmony Church. There is also a Red Cross office at Martin Army Hospital for service to patients and the Medical Detachment.

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Enlisted men quartered with their organizations are required to register all privately owned fireams with the Provost Marshal Office and to keep the firearms and ammunition in organizational storerooms.

Carrying arms anywhere on the reservation is prohibited, except by individuals engaged in the performance of military duty, skeet shooting, trap shooting, authorized pistol and rifle target shooting or authorized hunting.

The firing of any arms whatsoever within the limits of the garrison proper is prohibited, except

when on authorized duty. Privately owned fireams will not be loaded at any time on the reservation, except for authorized hunting or target shooting. The use of rifles for hunting is prohibited.

Personnel quartered separately are required to register with the Provost Marshal any weapons

kept in their quarters.

All privately owned weapons brought onto the reservation for any purpose must be registered with the Provost Marshal.

Carrying concealed weapons is prohibited.

### **Civilian Personnel Section**

The Civilian Personnel Section in Bldg. 1620, handles employment of both graded General Service and ungraded Wage Board civilian employees on

the post. Hours are 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday and 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday. For futher information telephone 545-2513.



### 250-FOOT AIRBORNE TRAINING TOWER

### Fort Benning Major Units

THE U. S. ARMY INFANTRY CENTER TROOP COMMAND acts as a centralized organization and control agency for the various units supporting The Infantry Center.

THE 197th INFANTRY BRIGADE, comprised of elements from all combat arms, provides demonstration and support personnel for Infantry School and Infantry Center activities.

THE 199th LIGHT INFANTRY (Red Catcher) BRIGADE, comprised of elements of all combat arms, was recently activated at Fort Benning. The brigade is conducting unit training to attain combat-ready status by the middle of October.

THE STUDENT BRIGADE houses, feeds, pave and administers to students at The Infantry School.

LAWSON ARMY AVIATION COMMAND was founded in 1919 as an observation balloon post

for the Infantry. It now supports Infantry Center activities.

U. S. ARMY INFANTRY BOARD has been in existence since 1903, having been established by War Department General Order as "The Infantry Board" at the General Staff College, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, "... to which may be referred from time to time, subject relative to the operations and equipment of the Infantry arm." Fort Benning has been the permanent home of the Infantry Board since 1919.

The Infantry Board is a material testing agency directly responsible to the U. S. Army Test and Evaluation Command and has the primary mission of conducting realistic user tests to determine the suitability of weapons, clothing and equipment for Infantry and for Army-wide use.

10th AVIATION GROUP with 3 battalions of light and medium helicopter companies and aircraft maintenance companies, supports readiness plans, trains aviation companies for the support of such plans and the deployment of units as well as other missions assigned.

- U. S. ARMY COMBAT DEVELOPMENTS COMMAND INFANTRY AGENCY was organized in July, 1962, as an agency of the Combat Developments Command at Fort Belvoir, Virginia. It develops current doctrine and future concepts including organization, tactics and material requirements relating to the Infantry, mechanized Infantry, airborne Infantry and airmobile Infantry.
- U. S. ARMY INFANTRY HUMAN RE-SEARCH UNIT was organized at Fort Benning in November 1953, as a branch of the Human Resources Research Office of George Washington University. It is charged with studying the psychological aspects of training and combat to develop new training and fighting techniques.

MARTIN ARMY HOSPITAL, located approximately three miles from Main Post, was

officially opened July 1, 1958. The Army hospital at Fort Benning began operating in 1919 and has grown to the present \$8 million medical facility with a staff of approximately 1,000.

U. S. ARMY MARKSMANSHIP TRAINING UNIT assists in conducting the All-Army Rifle and Pistol championships, selects and trains candidates for positions on U. S. international shooting teams. teaches an advanced marksmanship coaches training course and conducts the annual Small Arms Firing School at Camp Perry, Ohio.

U. S. ARMY TRAINING CENTER teaches the fudamental millitary skills to the individual soldier. During the eight weeks a soldier receives Basic Combat Training, emphasis is placed on physical conditioning, marksmanship, and orientation on the ways of the Army.

At the center's Reception Station, trainees are processed prior to beginning training. Aptitude tests, physical examinations, classification interviews, orientations, and clothing issue are all completed by the new trainees in the three days of processing at the Reception Station.

### Golf

The Special Services Golf Course and Driving Range in the Sand Hill area is open to all military personnel, both officer and enlisted, and their dependents. The Summer season hours are 8 a.m. until 6 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday and 7 a.m. until 6 p.m. Sunday, and holidays. The winter season

hours are 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Tuesday through Friday and 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday, Sunday, and holidays.

The Main Officers' Open Mess operates a 36-hole golf course for members of the officers' club. The course is open from daylight until dark, seven days a week.

### **Guest Houses**

The two Guest Houses operated by the Post Exchange are provided to furnish overnight transient accommodations for immediate families, relatives and friends of military personnel. These are:

Main Post Guest House—Vibberts Ave., 545-3600

Sand Hill Guest House—Fourth St., 544-7808

Guest House reservations are accepted for

three day periods only. If the guests desire to stay for a longer period of time and space is available, an extension is granted.

Rates are \$1 per adult per night and 50 cents per child (under 12 years of age) for rooms sharing bath; \$1.50 per adult and 75 cents per child for rooms with private bath.

### Horseback Riding

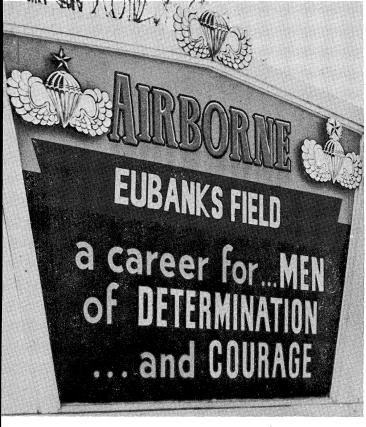
The Hunt Club near the intersection of Stone-wall and Marne Roads is open to all military personnel and their dependents. Horses may be rented between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., seven days a week. Rental fees are \$1.50 per hour for members and \$2.50 per hour for non-members.

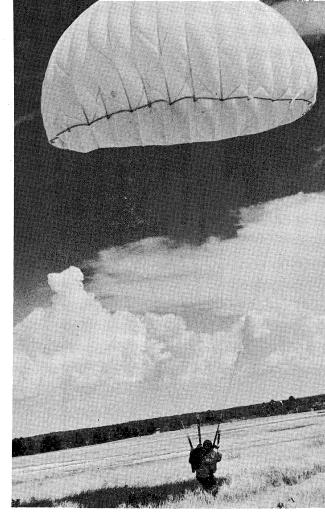
Horses may be boarded at the club for \$26 per

month. Rates for riding lessons are \$1.50 per hour in addition to the rental rate if you do not own your own horse. To board horses and be eligible for riding lessons you must be a member of the Hunt Club. Members pay a \$10 entrance fee and monthly dues of \$2.



PARATROOPERS DURING FULL-EQUIPMENT JUMP AT BENNING









OFFICER CANDIDATES MARCH TO CLASS

#### **Household Goods**

For information concerning incoming shipments of household goods and other personal property and or delivery and unpacking services call 545-1521.

#### **Hospitality House**

Hospitality House, a welcome center for incoming and departing personnel of all ranks, is located in Bldg. 274 on Dixie Road. Sponsored by the NCO wives' Club, the activity is a function of the Army Community Service. There is a lending closet of household items in addition to lounges, a play-

room, "nap room" for weary travelers, maps of the post and general information. Hours are from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday and 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. on Saturday. For further information, telephone 545-7723 or 545-7444.

#### Family Welcome Center, U.S. ATC

Family Welcome Center of the U. S. Army Training Center is located in Bldg. 3844 on Fourth St. at Sand Hill. It is operated to help visitors to the Training Center. Personnel on duty at the Welcome Center will contact units for visitors and provide assistance and information about Fort Benning and the civilian community. Hours are from 1 to 10 p.m. Monday through Thursday; 8 a.m. to midnight on Friday and Saturday and 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. on Sunday.

#### **Hunting and Fishing**

Several thousand acres and numerous lakes and streams are available to the hunter and angler on the Fort Benning Reservation. Various species of fish including bass, bream, crappie, and catfish are abundant. Deer, turkey, rabbit, quail, and dove are among the wildlife population.

The basic requirements for hunting and fishing participation are valid Georgia or Alabama hunting and fishing licenses and a Fort Benning permit.

#### Legal Assistance

The Legal Assistance Office is in Bldg. 1679. A qualified attorney is on duty daily to provide legal assistance and advice to military personnel and dependents.

Appointments are required and may be made

by telephoning 545-4893.

#### Libraries

The Infantry School Library in Infantry Hall is a military reference library and provides a reference collection of books, documents, maps, and related material pertaining to military matters and

allied subjects.

Special services maintains eight libraries for members of the command. They are the Main Post Library, temporarily located in Bldg. 2512 on Indianhead Rd., telephone 545-7141; Branch Library No. 1, Room D-9 in the basement of Martin Army Hospital, telephone 544-2851; Branch Library No. 2,

Counseling is provided for all legal matters except actual litigation in civilian courts. A liaison service has been established with the Columbus Lawyers Club to provide without charge legal assistance by a civilian lawyer on a volunteer basis.

Bldg. 3743, Sand Hill, telephone 544-7706; Branch Library No. 3, Bldg. 4492, temporarily closed; Branch Library No. 4, Bldg. 4847, in the 58th Infantry area, telephone 545-6362; Branch Library No. 5, Bldg. 2807, in the 10th Aviation Group area, telephone 545-5369; Branch Library No. 6, Bldg. 9027, Kelly Hill, telephone 544-2551; and Branch Library No. 7, Bldg. 5361, North Harmony Church, telephone 545-6190. For schedules, telephone the library.

#### Little Theatre

The Fort Benning Little Theatre is open to all officers, enlisted men, civilian employees and military dependents, and members of the local community. No experience is necessary to join this group. Anyone interested in any phase of theatre work—acting, carpentry, tailoring, dressmaking, costumes, lighting, directing, producing, ticket sales or publicity-is welcome.

For information call 545-5641.

#### Main Officers' Open Mess

All Army commissioned personnel and warrant officers reporting to Fort Benning will be considered as members of the Main Officers' Open Mess upon arrival. If an officer does not desire to become a member, he will submit a letter to the Commanding General, through command channels, tendering his resignation and stating the reasons.

Officers and warrant officers assigned to the post for less than 30 days will not be required to pay monthly dues but will be granted guest privileges. Guest cards will be granted for this purpose. Fort Benning has one of the finest officers' mess in the Army, with annexes conveniently located throughout the post. There are 32 guest rooms,

dining room food service, tennis courts, swimming pools, barber and beauty shops and a boarding kennel for pets.

Various facilities of the mess may be reserved through the catering office for official or private parties.

#### **Medical Care**

Martin Army Hospital, located northeast of the Main Post, furnishes hospital care for all military personnel and their dependents and retired personnel and their dependents residing in Columbus and vicinity.

For outpatient care, military personnel should report to one of the area troop dispensaries. Sickcall at all dispensaries is held at 7:30 a.m., Monday

through Saturday.

Dependents and retired personnel should report to the General Outpatient Clinic located on

the first floor of Martin Army Hospital. Appointments are required except in cases of emergency.

They can be obtained by calling the Central Appointment Desk, 544-2111.

Emergency medical care including emergency ambulance service, is provided 24 hours daily at the Emergency Room. All personnel are requested not to use the facilities of the Emergency Room unless they are true emergencies and cannot wait until regular duty hours at the General Outpatient Clinic. For ambulance service call 544-1123.

#### Military Police

The Military Police at Fort Benning provide assistance to military personnel and visitors to the

post. For information or in an emergency, telephone 545-5222.



SWIMMING POOL AT MAIN OFFICERS' OPEN MESS

#### Museum

THE U.S. ARMY INFANTRY MUSEUM is located in Bldg. 1234 on Ingersoll St. The Museum is open from 12:30 to 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Fri-

day, Saturday, and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday and is closed on Monday.

#### NCO Mess

The Fort Benning NCO Mess system operates in accordance with appropriate laws and regulations to provide recreational and other moral building facilities for its members. There are annexes at troop locations throughout the military reservation in addition to Crain Hall and the 7-8-9 Club on the Main Post. Facilities include dining rooms, lounges, guest houses, a barber shop, barbecue pits and party service for organizations or private groups. Three types of membership include active membership extended to all NCOs and specialists of comparable pay grade of all services on duty at the installation; associate membership for these grades on temporary duty, semi-official duty or in transit as well as mem-

bers of Reserve Components and retired personnel of the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, Coast and Geodetic Survey or Public Health Service, and honorary membership without dues, that may be extended to an individual eligible for associate membership. All NCOs in grades E4 and above are encouraged to become members of the mess as soon as possible after arrival. Membership cards are available at the business office in Bldg. 227. Certain hours in specified annexes are set aside for the use of personnel in grade E3 and below for whom no membership card is required. For futher information, telephone 545-3827.

#### **Nurseries**

At the sign of the pixie trademark is DUSA Tot Town Nursery, formerly the Main Post Children's Nursery. Children from six months of age up are accepted for care.

Tot Town provides free sanitary diaper service, trained uniformed attendants, separation of older children from toddlers, refreshment periods and lunches, fenced play areas with modern and sturdy play equipment and scheduled play routines for older children.

A yearly \$1 registration card entitles families to special rates, discount cards and use of the Day

Care Plan. Regular rates are 35 cents per child per hour for one child, 45 cents per hour for two children in the same family, and 50 cents per hour for three children in the same family with membership card, and 55 cents for four or more children in the same family.

Hours: Monday and Wednesday 7:30 a.m.-11 p.m.; Tuesday and Thursday 7:30 a.m.-7 p.m.; Friday 7:30 a.m.-1 a.m.; Saturday 9 a.m.-1 a.m.; Sunday 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Special openings for post or unit functions are arranged upon request. It is located in Building 1075 and 1076, Old Hospital Area. Telephone 545-3004.

#### Officer Candidate School

In July, 1941, The Infantry School opened its first officer candidate class. By 1947, approximately 70,000 candidates had completed the course and were commissioned. With the end of World War II, the Army's need for officers diminished and Officer Candidate Schools of all branches were transferred

to Fort Riley, Kansas. With the outbreak of the Korean War, The Infantry Officer Candidate School was reactivated at Fort Benning in 1951. Since 1953, the school has trained candidates for all branches except artillery. Since 1941, Infantry OCS at Fort Benning has graduated over 86,000.



INFANTRYMEN PAUSE BEFORE CONTINUING ATTACK

#### Pets

All cats and dogs must be registered within 72 hours after arrival on the post and receive their first rabies shots at the age of three months. All

pets will be leashed, under voice control or in a fenced area at all times. The post veterinarian is located in Bldg. 265, telephone 545-1191.

#### Post Craft Shops and Photo Lab

The Main Post Multiple Craft Shop No. 1 and a Photo Lab are located in Bldg. 394, the south wing of Doughboy Stadium. Other craft shops include Shop No. 2 (woodworking) Sand Hill, Bldg. 3788; Shop No. 3 (woodworking), Harmony Church, Bldg. 4846; Shop No. 4 (woodworking), Sand Hill Bldg. 3145; Shop No. 6, Sand Hill (Automotive), Bldg. 3809; Shop No. 7 (multiple), Main Post, Bldg. No.

334; Shop No. 8, Main Post (Automotive) Bldg. 2057; Shop No. 9 (woodworking), Harmony Church, Bldg. 4746. In addition to photography at the Photo Lab, crafts available at the shops are sign painting, art and woodwork. Shops are open Tuesday through Friday from 6 to 10 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday from 1 to 5 p.m.

#### **Post Exchanges**

The Fort Benning Post Exchange System comprises approximately 41 branches at troop locations over the entire reservation. Included are restaurants, snack bars, soda fountains, guest houses and service stations, in addition to regular retail stores.

The Main Exchange is located in Bldg. 1711 on Wold Ave., behind the Howard Bus Terminal.

This exchange and a smaller PX Shopping Center at Custer Terrace carry clothing, uniforms, insignia, sporting goods, luggage, cosmetics and other articles, in addition to regular PX items. Sand Hill and Harmony Church areas have principal branches which carry the same merchandise as the Main Exchange, except for women's and children's clothing.

The following Concession services are available in the Main Post Shopping Center area:

Barber Shop Dry Cleaners
Tailor Shop Photo Studio
Beauty Shop Watch Repair
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Soft drinks and ice-cream drive-ins are located at Marchant and Anderson Streets on the Main Post and in Sand Hill adjacent to the principal Post Exchange Branch on Scott Ave.

There are two post Exchange Cafeterias, Main Post, at the corner of Wold Ave. and Ingersoll St., open from 7 a. m. to 11 p. m., Monday through Saturday, and 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Sunday, and the Cafeteria in Infantry Hall, open from 7 a.m. to 4 p. m. Monday through Friday and 7 a. m. to 12 noon, on Saturday. Snack bars are operated in various sections of the post. Identification is required of all personnel in civilian clothing except in eating establishments.

#### **Post Office**

The Fort Benning branch of the Columbus Post Office is at the intersection of Vibbert Ave. and Ingersoll St. It offers all the regular postal facilities, including Post Office rental boxes.

Hours of operation are from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Monday through Friday, and 8:30 a.m. to noon on Saturday. It is closed Sundays and legal holidays.

One special feature of the Post Office is the daily mail service by postmen to family quarters on the post.

#### Privilege ID Cards

Privilege Cards for permanent personnel may be obtained from the unit to which assigned, retired personnel, widows and dependents of sponsors at stations other than Fort Benning may obtain privilege identification cards in Room 116, Bldg. 35, and medical cards at the Information Desk at Martin Army Hospital.

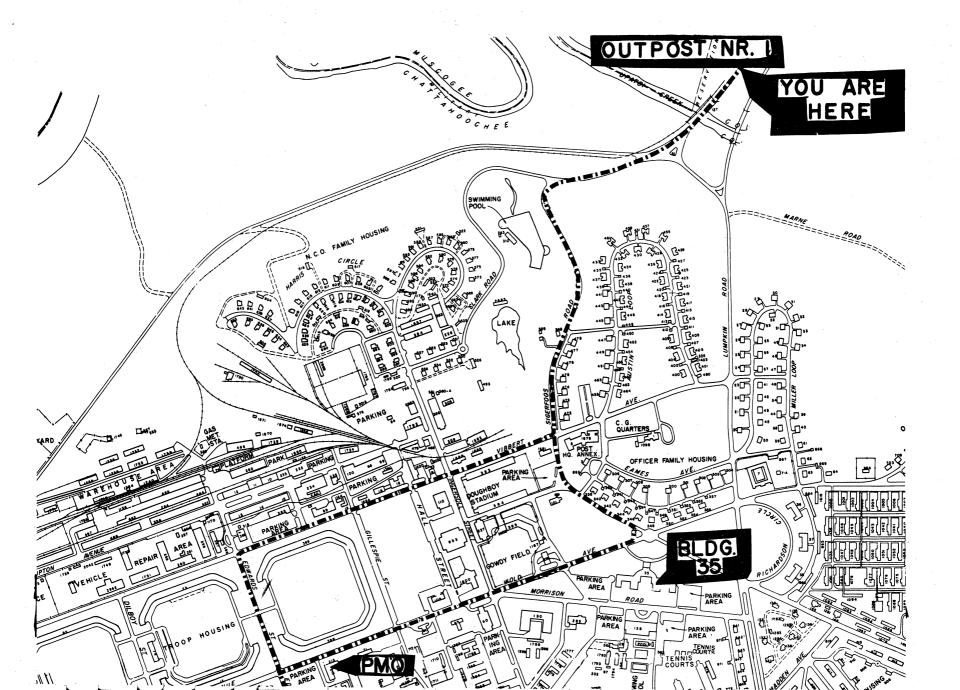


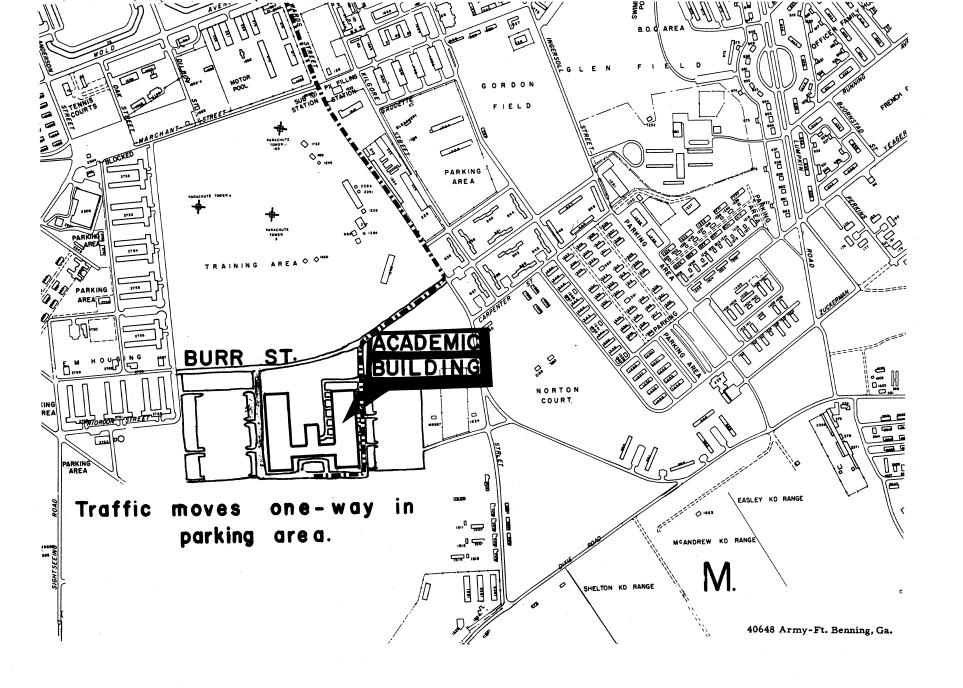
#### MARTIN ARMY HOSPITAL

#### **Quarters**

Application for government quarters may be made at the Family Quarters Branch, Billeting Division, in rooms 127-130 in Bldg. 35. There are 1,480 sets of officers' quarters and 1,654 of enlisted men's quarters. Battle Park Homes, an apartment complex of 200 two and three-bedroom units, is located on the reservation near the Main Post. The apartments are available to permanent officer per-

sonnel and, if vacancies exist, to officers statione on the post for temporary duty in excess of 90 day Temporary housing for families of officer personnel is usually available for a period of no longer than two weeks at the Main Officers' Open Mes provided that reservations are made in advance Temporary housing for families of enlisted men usually available at one of the two guest houses.





#### Recreation

Recreation facilities at Fort Benning include bowling alleys, golf, archery, movies, craft shops, swimming pools and various other sports and entertainment features.

U. S. ARMY INFANTRY CENTER RECREATIONAL AREA, located on 2nd Armored Division Rd. near Lee Field, is available to all personnel of the post for private or organizational parties and outings. This is a large area with several barbecue pits. A huge lodge is available for dancing with outside concrete lighted patio. Deep well water is available and electricity is provided. This area provides an ideal location for picnics and unit parties. Distance to this area is approximately 14 miles from the Main Post and can be reached by following the directional signs to Lee Field. Use of this facility is by reservation only, arranged by calling Special Services, telephone 545-5641 or 545-7414.

KING'S POND, stocked with fish, is located on the reservation, eight miles from the Main Post on Hourglass Road. There is a lodge that accommodates a party of 125. Barbecue pits, outdoor tables and swings make the area ideal for family or unit

outings. The pond is open to both active and retired military personnel and their dependents. Fishing licenses are required. To reserve the lodge, telephone 545-5641.

U. S. ARMY INFANTRY CENTER RECRE-ATION AREA, DESTIN, FLORIDA, is operated by Special Services for the benefit of military personnel and their dependents stationed at Fort Benning. It is located on Chocawhatchee Bay along the Florida Gulf Coast, about midway between Panama City and Pensacola, approximately 230 miles from Fort Benning. The area is equipped with fibre glass boats adaptable for outboard motors. There is also a playground for children, including swings, a teeter-totter, slide, etc. Barbecue pits, a volleyball court and space to play horseshoes are provided. The camp consists of 12 cabins plus a caretaker's cabin and 12 acres of land. The cabins are about 50 yards from the beach. The cabins, which are equipped with electric stoves and refrigerators, are completely furnished with everything except linens. There is a 38-foot boat that can be reserved for deep sea fishing. For reservations or information, telephone 545-5641.

#### Religious Activities

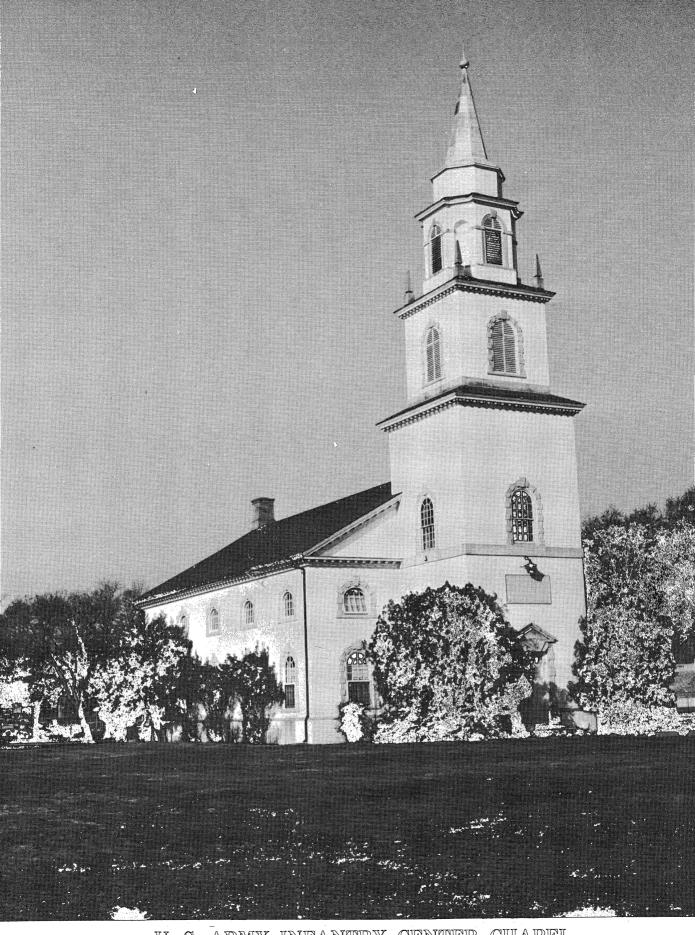
Fort Benning offers a full and active religious program. There are 20 chapels on the post—eight on Main Post, six in the Harmony Church area, five at Sand Hill and one at Kelly Hill. The central office of the Chaplain Section is in the Old Infantry School, Bldg. 35.

The Religious Education Center on Dixie Road, offers religious instruction and activities to all faiths and ages.

In addition to General Protestant, Catholic and Jewish services, special services are conducted on the post for Episcopal, Christian Science, Latter Day Saints and Latter Day Saints Reorganized and Spanish speaking Protestant groups.

The Officers' Christian Union meets weekly in the homes of members. For information, telephone 689-7858.

Chaplains are available at all times for consultation and interviews. Appointments may be made by telephoning the Post Chaplain's Office, 545-7394, through company commanders, or, during off-duty hours, by contacting the duty officer.



U. S. ARMY INFANTRY CENTER CHAPEL

#### **Schools**

The Fort Benning Dependent Schools include kindergarten through the eighth grade. There are seven schools in the system. Registration is limited to students living on the military reservation. High school students living on the post are provided transportation and tuition to attend high school in

#### Service Clubs

Five Service Clubs provide enlisted personnel, their families, and friends recreational opportunities during their off-duty time. Facilities include game, music, and reading rooms and lounge areas. Equipment includes billiard tables, table tennis, and other table games. Directed activities include dances, films, and variety shows. Each club has its own daily activities program.

The Main Post Service Club, Bldg. 2784, is on Sightseeing Road. The Sand Hill Club Bldg. 3284, the South Harmony Church Club, Bldg. 4410, The

#### Skeet Shooting and Marksmanship

The Trap and Skeet Club in Bldg. 147 near Hook Range is open to military personnel and their dependents after 1 p.m. on Saturday and after 12 noon every Sunday. For information telephone 545-1152.

The Rifle and Pistol Club in Bldg. 1615 off

#### Rod and Gun Club

A Rod and Gun Club is available for interested active duty and retired military personnel, civilian employees of the post and their dependents. The objectives of this club are to promote and conduct

#### **Sports**

The Sports offices are located in the Tower Section of Doughboy Stadium. The sports officer supervises all tournaments on the post and coordinates the various athletic events and leagues.

Doughboy Stadium, at the intersection of Ingersoll St. and Vibbert Ave., is used for various sports in season such as football and track and for other events as scheduled.

Gowdy Field, opposite Theater No. 1, is used for baseball from March through September. It is equipped with lights for night games.

#### **Swimming Pools**

There is an indoor pool at Briant Wells Field House that is open from noon to 4 p.m. and 6 to 9 p.m. Monday through Saturday except for Tuesday when it is reserved from 6 to 9 p.m. for the Scuba Club. On Sunday and holidays the pool is

#### Telephone & Telegraph Service

Application for installation of telephone facilities in quarters may be made by telephoning 545-1878 or in person at the Telephone Branch, Signal Service Division, Bldg. 479. Public pay telephones are located in major buildings on the Main

the Muscogee County, Ga. School District.

A Pre-Kindergarten School for children from three to five years old is privately operated by the Officers' Wives Club in Bldg. 322, adjacent to the Old Hospital. Terms are concurrent with the regular school year.

Kelly Hill Club, Bldg. 9079, and the North Harmony Church Club, Bldg. 5362, are all located in their respective areas. Main Post, Sand Hill and Kelly Hill Clubs are open 1 to 10 p.m. daily. The hours at South Harmony Church are 1 to 10 p.m. Monday through Saturday and 10 a.m. to 10 p.m., on Sunday and holidays. At North Harmony Church, hours are 5 to 10 p.m. Monday through Friday, 1 to 10 p.m. on Saturday and 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. on Sunday and holidays.

Dixie Rd., is equipped with ranges for shooting any type hand gun or rifle. It is open from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. every day. Membership is open to all military personnel and their dependents. For information, telephone 545-2717.

outings, hunting and fishing activities, contests, and recreational activities to further physical well being and morale among the members of the club.

Briant Wells Fieldhouse, on Ingersoll St., opposite Stilwell Field, is equipped with basketball and handball courts, weightlifting equipment and an indoor swimming pool. The Fieldhouse is open from 11a.m. to 9 p.m., Monday through Saturday, and from 1 to 9 p.m. Sunday and holidays.

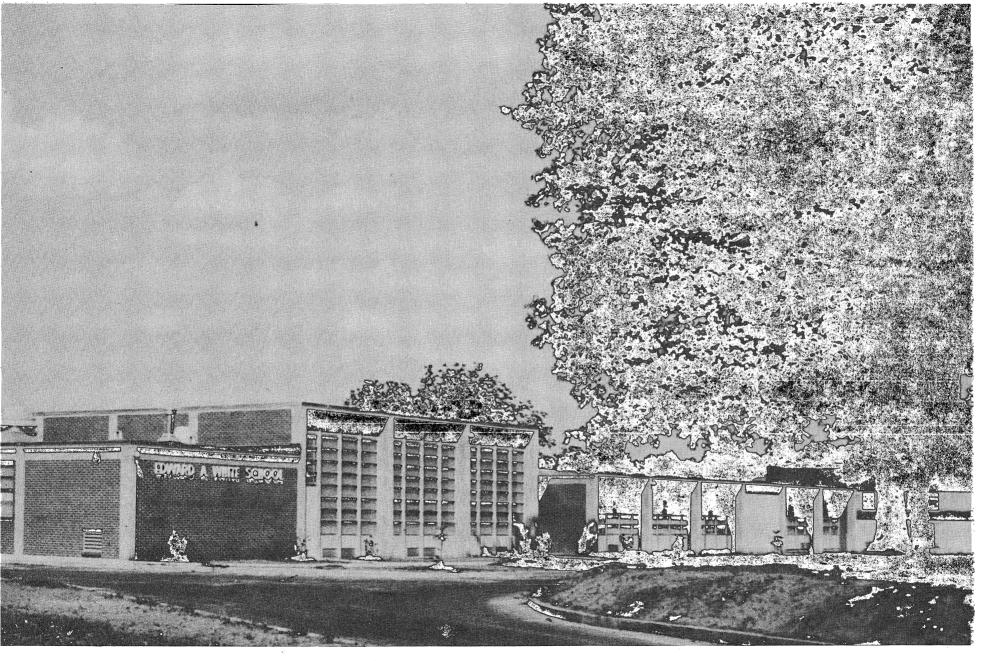
The Old Post Gymnasium, Bldg. 358 on Ingersoll St., provides boxing, squash and hand ball. It is open from 1 to 9 p.m., Monday through Friday, and 1 to 6 p.m., Saturday, Sunday and holidays.

open from 1 to 4 p.m. and 6 to 9 p.m.

Five outdoor pools are Russ Pool which is open from 1 to 8 p.m. on Saturday, Sunday and holidays and Sand Hill, Harmony Church, Kelly Hill and Carey pools, open from 1 to 8 p.m. daily.

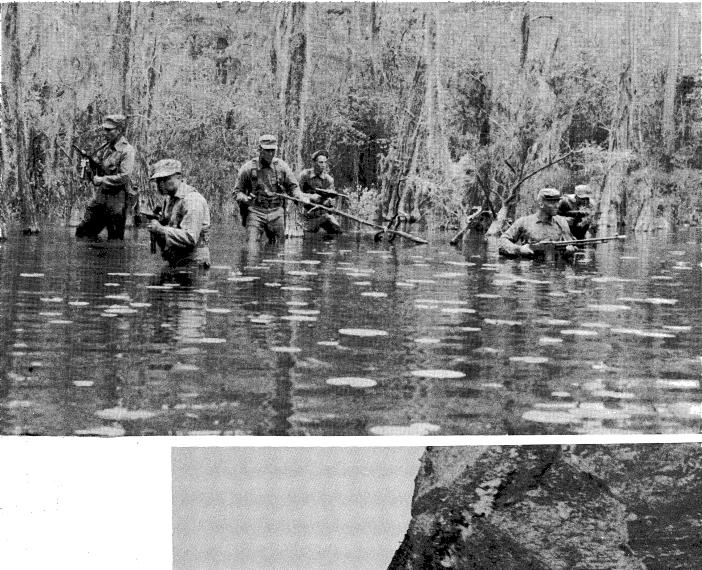
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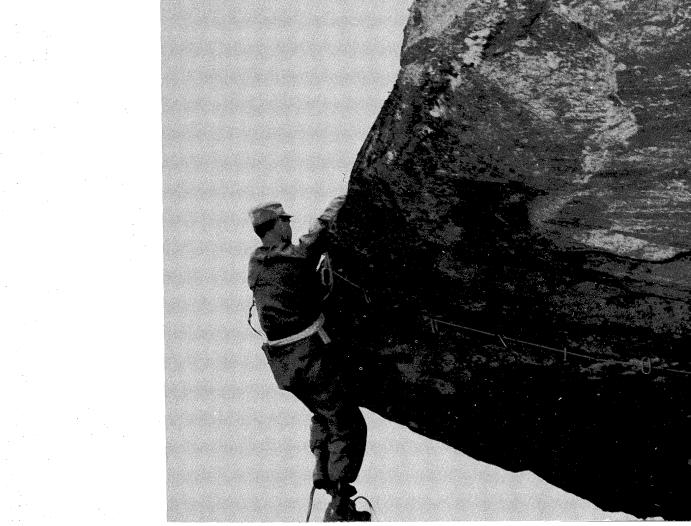
Telegrams may be sent at the Fort Benning Western Union office in Bldg. 1600. Hours are 8 a.m. to 6:30 p.m., Monday through Friday and 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Saturday.



EDWARD A. WHITE SCHOOL







#### Thrift Shop

The Thrift Shop, Bldg. 1230, is operated by the Officers' Wives Club of Fort Benning with volunteer help. Clothing, furniture, kitchenware, etc., are accepted for sale on consignment basis, with a 10 percent service charge deducted on articles sold. Hours of operation are from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Tuesdays and Thursdays and on the 1st and 3rd Saturdays of the month, from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

#### **Theaters**

All theaters are administered by the Army-Air Force Motion Picture Service. Attendance and uniform are prescribed in current regulations. Theater No. 1, on the Main Post at the intersection of Ingersoll St. and Wold Ave., performances Monday through Friday beginning at 6:30 and 8:30 p.m., Saturday at 2:30, 6, 8 and 11 p.m. and on Sunday and holidays at 2:30, 6:30 and 8:30 p.m.

Theater No. 2, on Wold Ave. at Anderson St., on the Main Post, performances daily at 6:30 and 8:30 p.m. and a matinee on Saturday, Sunday and holidays at 2:30 p.m.

Theater No. 5, on Hourglass Road in Harmony

Church, performances Monday, Tuesday, Thursday,

Saturday and Sunday at 7 p.m.

Theater No. 6, at 10th and Bourg Sts., Sand Hill, performances daily at 7 p.m. and a matinee Saturday and Sunday at 2:30 p.m.

Theater No. 9, on Watkins St. at Kelly Hill, performances daily at 7 p.m. and matinee Satur-

day, Sunday and holidays at 2:30 p.m.

Theater No. 11, at the junction of 8th Division Road and Cusseta Highway, Harmony Church, performances daily at 7 p.m., a matinee Saturday at 2:30 p.m. and matinee Sunday at 2:30 and 5 p.m.

#### **Traffic Regulations**

Traffic regulations in effect on the reservation are similar to those of any large city. All regulations are rigidly enforced. Copies are available in all organizations and are issued at the vehicle registration point.

#### **Transportation**

A scheduled Airline Ticket Office is located in Building 19, corner of Vibbert Avenue and Gillespie Street, Main Post. Office hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. Telephone number is 545-3438.

Howard Bus Lines, Inc., provides service between Fort Benning and Columbus, Georgia, and

services between the principal areas located on the Fort Benning reservation. The Main Post Terminal is located on Wold Avenue, near the Main Post Exchange, and the station in Columbus is located at 4th Avenue and 12th Street. Direct bus service from Columbus to Main Post, Harmony Church, Kelly Hill and Sand Hill areas is furnished daily.

#### Uniforms

At Fort Benning, the period for wearing summer uniforms begins with the first Monday in April and for the winter uniform, the third Monday in October.

Name plates and name tapes are part of the

uniform. During all duty hours, name plates or tapes are worn on the right breast pocket of the outer garment (except overcoat and raincoat). Name plates are presently available for purchase at the Book Store.

#### Youth Activities Club

The Youth Activities Club is an official organization which finances, organizes and supervises a wide variety of recreational activities for children of military personnel. These activities include Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts, swimming, boxing, rifle marksmanship, archery and seasonal a t h l e t i c leagues. Also included are softball, basketball and volleyball for girls, as well as football, baseball and basketball for boys. The YAC office is in Bldg. 358 (Old Post Gym). YAC operates Teen Square, a center for social activities for teenage military dependents. For futher information, telephone 545-2130.



AIR MOBILE EXERCISES ON FORT BENNING RESERVATION

# Riverside...a Gracious Touch of the Old South

It is said that Fort Benning is the heart of the U. S. Infantry. By the same token, The Infantry School is the heart of Fort Benning, but its soul lies in a white majestic mansion that has stood as a muted queen over the reservation's thousands of acres for more than 150 years.

From an era of Indian wars, "Riverside," the home of Infantry School commandants since the school was established June 17, 1919, at Camp Benning near the junction of the Chattahoochee River and Upatoi Creek south of Columbus, has survived the years and now stands as majestically as ever in the Nuclear Age.

The history of the homesite dates back to the early 1800's when the nucleus of the present house on Vibbert Ave. was on Lumpkin Road. Some 150 years or so ago the two-story structure echoed to gay laughter and the patter of dainty feet as belles and beaux danced to the popular music of the day.

In 1907 Arthur Bussey bought the estate from the Hatcher family and named it the "Riverside Plantation." Almost immediately he planned the construction of a new house as a comfortable summer home.

The original part of the house, which had been built on Lumpkin Road, was moved to its present location on Vibbert Ave. to be the basis of the new home. In an engineering effort prodigious for its time, the house was rolled on logs pulled by mules without damaging a single tree.

In establishing his estate, Arthur Bussey built one of the last great self-supporting plantations in western Georgia. Though Bussey was a businessman by vocation, he was a farmer by avocation. His 1,782 acres and home, which he completed in 1909, became a self-sufficient estate under his supervision.

The house was built primarily as a summer home on a 12-acre site among trees more than a century old.

The Riverside Plantation home of a half century ago was an outstanding landmark of the area.

From the large high ceilinged rooms several doors and windows opened onto spacious porches.

The walls were made of tongue and groove woodwork and the ceilings were reinforced by heavy crossed beams.

Large brick fireplaces at opposite sides of the house provided the only heat for the open rooms, though a third fireplace connected the two kitchens. The floors were made of polished pine boards.

Black chandeliers fed with carbide gas piped into the house provided what at the time was considered adequate light. A rarity in the early 1900's was the house's running water system. From a pond at the foot of a hill about a mile away, the water was pumped to the water tower and then piped into the house.

The upstairs contained six large and airy bedrooms that opened onto the veranda which surrounded almost all the second floor. The master bedroom extended the width of the house. The Riverside house of the early 1900's had a half bath downstairs and a large bathroom the size of an ordinary room today upstairs.

By modifications through the years, the home now has five comfortable bedrooms on the second floor and three modern baths. It is centrally heated by steam radiators throughout the house.

In World War I, the Army established a cantonment area to train troops on some of Bussey's land. On June 17, 1919, the Army moved Camp Benning from its site on Macon Road in Columbus, where it had been since Oct. 7, 1918, to its present area.

When the Government decided to make the post a permanent establishment in 1919, it bought the plantation and home from Bussey for slightly less than a half-million dollars. In 1922 the post was designated the home of The Infantry School and was renamed Fort Benning.

Even with the improvements of the modern age, Riverside, known today as the commanding general's quarters at 100 Vibbert Ave., remains basically unchanged, a gracious touch of the Old South.



RIVERSIDE



### COLUMBUS, GEORGIA

Columbus on the Chattahochee River has the distinction of being the only state-conceived city in Georgia. Established earlier as a trading town on the site of one of the largest Indian centers in the Southeast, the city of Columbus was created by an act of the Georgia General Assembly in 1826. It was founded and laid out in 1827 by State Engineers, and is the only city in Georgia which was planned in advance of its founding.

Because of the many natural advantages which Columbus had, and still has, to offer industry, the community has grown industrially from the very beginning. The development of the textile industry began in 1838 when Columbus Cotton Factory began spinning cotton yarn and carding wool. Between 1840 and 1850 water rights were leased and the cotton industry was given added impetus.

From the very beginning the tendency has been toward manufacturing. Columbus early became popularly known at "the Lowell of the South" because of the rapid development of the textile industry, and while textiles still constitute its major industry, the industrial structure of Columbus today is not confined to this activity alone. Many of its manufacturing plants enjoy international distribution and their products are widely known, giving Columbus pre-eminence in several important fields. Products produced include brick and tile; textile equipment and machinery; pulleys, shafting, dyeing equipment for textile mills, engines and boilers, refrigerating and ice-making machinery, agricultural implements; cotton ginning machinery and packing equipment; candy, syrup, soft drinks, cookies and crackers, peanut and pecan products and store fixtures. The city also boasts a sizeable meatpacking industry. Foundries and machine shops are adequate to care for almost any kind of heavy repairs.

At one time, Columbus was one of the busiest river ports in the Southeast. The first steamboat visited the little town in 1828, beginning a river trade that increased until the coming of the railroads in the 1850's. At the height of river commerce as many as sixteen boats, loaded with cotton and naval stores, plied the Chattahoochee.

Today the river plays an important role in the development of Columbus area. Work has been completed on the Chattahoochee-Apalachicola-Flint River Project which made the Chattahoochee navigable with a nine-foot channel from Columbus to the Gulf of Mexico. The future of the city is tied closely with this project, which assures that Columbus will again

become a river port enjoying the benefits of lowrate water transportation.

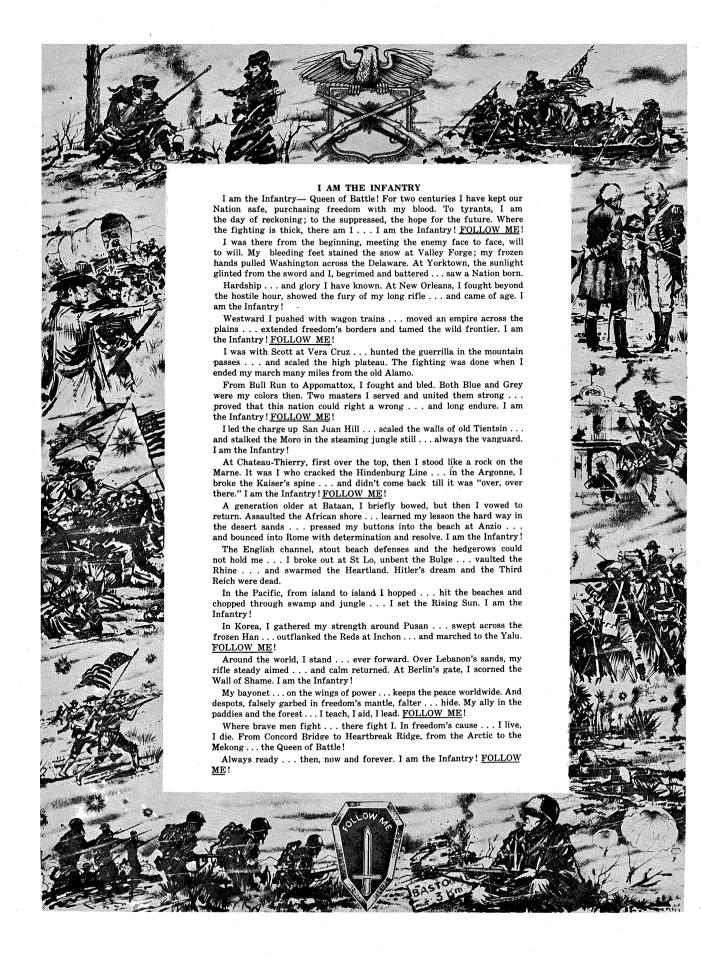
In addition to being an industrial-minded city, Columbus is a city of pleasant living. Recreation facilities are numerous and varied. Three municipally operated swimming pools, a golf course, football stadium, baseball park, an auditorium which is the site of the annual Miss Georgia Pageant and many sports events, and many parks and playgrounds offer excellent opportunities for relaxation. Oliver Lake, just north of Columbus on the Chattahoochee River, with its city owned marina, provides a brand new recreation area for boating, fishing, swimming and water-skiing enthusiasts. The entire Columbus area is noted as a mecca for hunters and fishermen, since there are many privately owned facilities for these sports.

Columbus is also education and culture minded. Permanent buildings have now been completed for Columbus College. The Muscogee County School District operates 49 elementary and 11 high schools; the air-conditioned W. C. Bradley Memorial Library has 190,000 volumes, Bookmobile service and record and film departments; The Columbus Museum of Arts and Crafts maintains an excellent permanent Indian Exhibit and art gallery, besides offering many temporary exhibits to please all tastes; Broadway shows are presented several times each year and there are several amateur theatrical groups which offer Columbusites an opportunity to enjoy the legitimate theatre.

Columbus' attitude toward the future is one of planning. It boasts an Industrial Development Corporation, a Metropolitan Planning Commission, a Ports Authority Advisory Committee and an Urban Development Committee which is now concerned with renovating downtown Columbus.

An industrial potentials analysis was prepared by Georgia Tech and contracted for the Columbus Chambber of Commerce. An audit of the community's assets and liabilities has been completed, and work is now being done on a study of diversification possibilities for Columbus' existing industries. The Chamber has also recently established a Trade Area Industrial Development Program to assist smaller communities in the surrounding counties with their industrial development efforts.

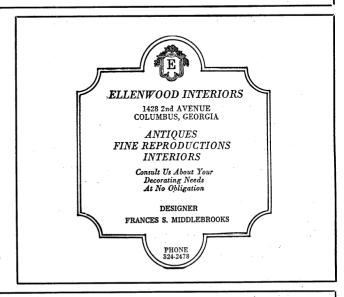
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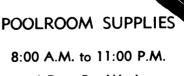
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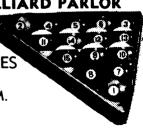


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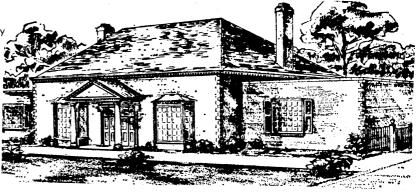
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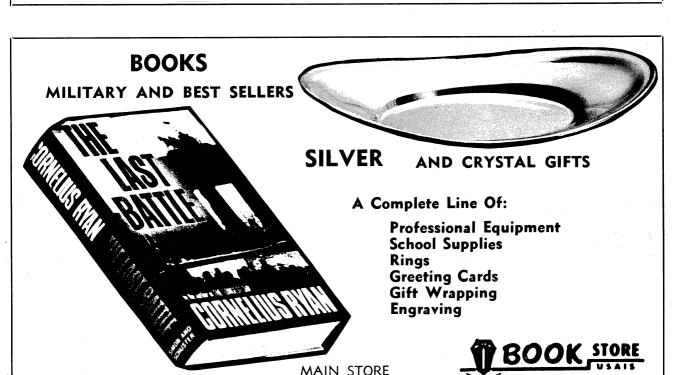
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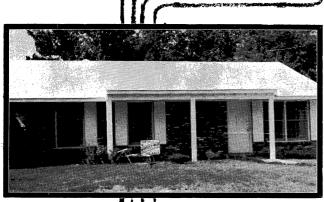
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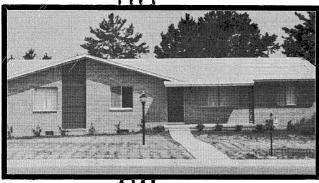
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